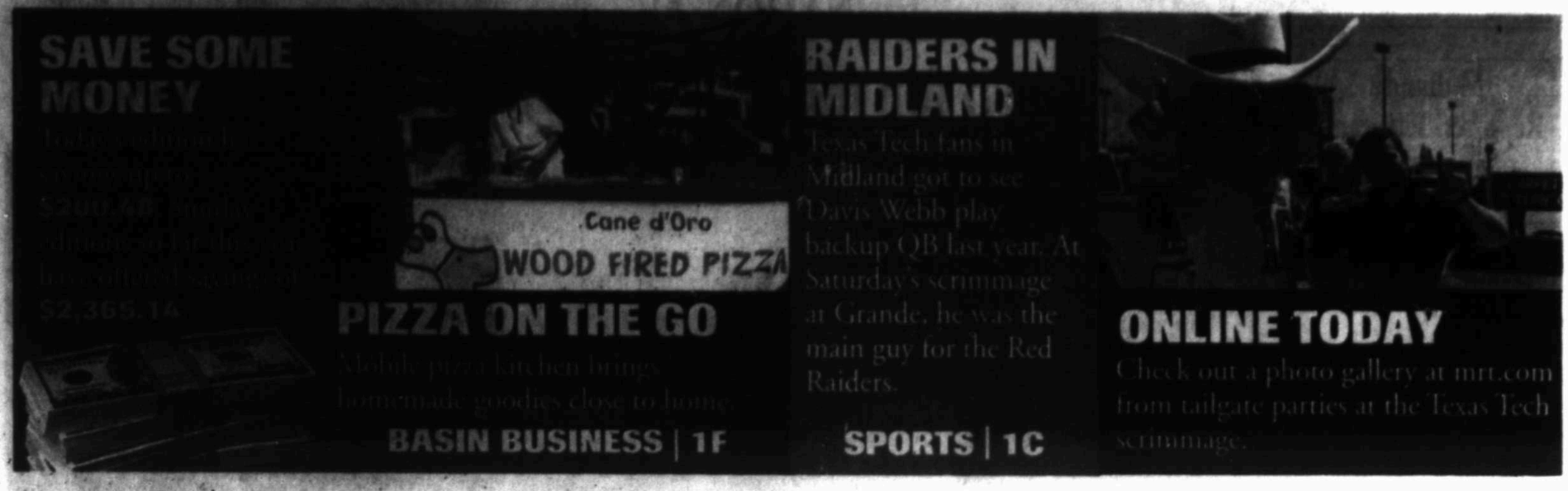



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# 31 firefighters made $20K in overtime

## *Officials: Recruitment issues cause OT; housing market causes recruitment issues*

**By Joseph Basco**
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Numerous Midland firefighters took home paychecks in 2013 that were close to those of higher ranking officials within the department, according to information received through an open records request.

The information requested was a list of city employees' base pay, plus overtime pay, for calendar year 2013.

Several fire captains earned high-five-figure amounts that were a few thousand dollars less, and sometimes more, than various chiefs. In one instance, a fire captain made $7,985.86 more than his superior.

The main reason for the salary gap between ranks was overtime, as evidenced by the number of firefighters who appear at the top of the list of overtime earners. Of the 37 city employees who earned $20,000 or more in overtime pay, 31 were from the Fire Department; the remaining six were from the police, solid waste management and information systems departments, according to the data.

And of the 31 firefighters, four of them earned an overtime amount greater than their base pay. In one case, a firefighter made 1.3 times the amount of his base salary in overtime.

Overtime is a consequence of the staffing shortages that continue to hit the department, according to Fire Chief Robert Isbell. Staff shortages also affect other city departments, but not to the extent of the Fire Department, which is estimated to have 40 vacancies.

Eighteen of the vacancies are for the new Fire Station 10, which is set to open in the summer. There are 17 recruits in testing for these positions. The remaining vacancies — more than half of the total — are for existing positions.

"We have to staff a minimum number of firefighters for all the stations every day to provide a service," Isbell said. "So when we're down, naturally we're going to have to hire back. And that shortage has caused us to hire back at a pretty high rate."

Isbell said that although it is less expensive to pay overtime than hire new firefighters — a new hire equates to payment for benefits, training and equipment — it would be beneficial to be fully staffed.

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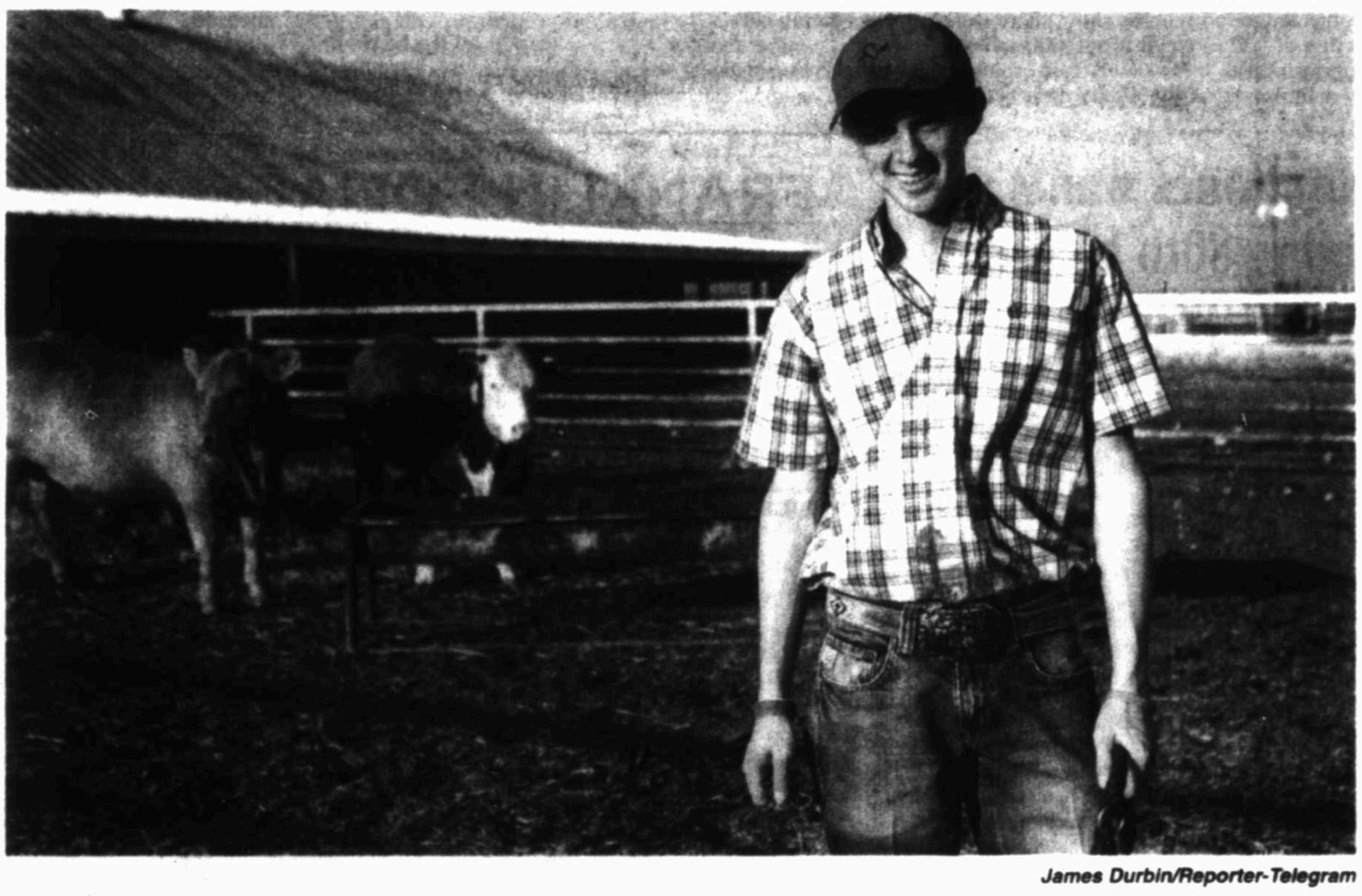

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Flint Newman, a senior at Stanton High School, works with cattle Wednesday at his family's ranch in Stanton. Newman raised the champion steer at the Houston Rodeo and Livestock Show.

## Tradition a key part of Stanton teen's success

**By Tessa Duvall**
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Flint Newman has a little more time than he knows what to do with these days.

He still works on his family's ranch after school each day tending cattle, and he pole vaults for the Stanton High School track team — enough to keep most teens busy.

But not for Flint, who is a workaholic, according to his mother, Mandy Newman.

Now that Texas' major livestock shows are done for the year and the high school senior is no longer eligible to exhibit, Flint has regained a few hours each day he'd previously spent working with his steer.

"We've never been caught up before," Mandy said Wednesday evening as her son unloaded bags of feed off the bed of a pickup and slung them into a trough.

Flint began showing steer in the third grade at age 9 and has since competed in dozens of shows. Flint had the grand champion steer at the San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo in 2011, the San Angelo

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## Officials say House Bill 5 will increase opportunities for students

■ Implementation presents staffing challenges

**By Tessa Duvall**
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Of all the reforms created by House Bill 5, elected and school officials put increased flexibility for parents and students near the top of their lists of most important changes.

New graduation requirements, which go into effect this fall with the incoming freshman class, allow students to pursue one of five pathways that is best suited for them. With increased customization, more students will stay in school, Republican Rep. Tom Craddick of Midland said Wednesday at the Midland Chamber of Commerce's State of Education luncheon.

"We're going to get some people that quit dropping out in the ninth grade and go forward to get a degree," Craddick said. "That's really what the bill is designed to do."

HB 5 created the new Foundation High School Program, which replaces the "4x4" curriculum that required four credits each of math, science, social studies and English. Students now have to earn 22 credits, although they can earn one of five endorsements by taking additional credits and completing required curriculum for the endorsements. The endorsements are: Science, technology, engineering and mathematics; business and industry; public services; arts and

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# Groups push for more humane slaughter of chickens

By Frederic J. Frommer
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A chicken farm just outside the city limits of Pittsburg is shown in this December 2008 photo. Citing hundreds of thousands of chickens being accidentally dropped alive into scalding tanks every year, two animal welfare groups and dozens of lawmakers are urging the Obama administration to improve humane treatment of poultry at slaughterhouses.

**WASHINGTON — Two animal welfare groups and dozens of lawmakers are urging the Obama administration to improve humane treatment of poultry at slaughterhouses, citing statistics that show hundreds of thousands of chickens being accidentally dropped alive into scalding tanks every year.**

**The Animal Welfare Institute and Farm Sanctuary have petitioned the Department of Agriculture's Food Safety Inspection Service to strengthen humane treatment regulations, by, among other things, banning live birds from the scalding tanks. When things go according to plan, birds are already dead by the time they're dropped into the tank, but a small percentage miss the automatic knife that is supposed to slit their necks and wind up dying in the tank.**

The Food Safety Inspection Service, known as FSIS, and the National Chicken Council, a trade association, stressed that the number of birds who die that way represents a tiny fraction of the billions of chickens that are slaughtered every year.

Chicken production is big in much of the South. Georgia, Arkansas, Alabama, North Carolina and Mississippi are the top five states for chicken meat production.

Earlier this month, 68 House members urged Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack to scrap a proposed poultry inspection rule that would speed up cleaning and inspecting bird carcasses, known as evisceration. The lawmakers said in their letter to Vilsack that would result in more birds missing backup slaughter devices and entering the scalding tank alive. The House members also objected to the rule's reduction of 500 to 800 inspector positions.

FSIS Deputy Administrator Phil Derfler said that the Agriculture Department "is using the full extent of its legal authority to protect chickens from inhumane conditions because poorly treated birds can present a food safety concern, and it is ethically appropriate for us to do so."

He said that those efforts led to an all-time low of chickens killed by other than humane methods of .008 percent last year.

"Our goal is always to drive that number as close to zero as possible, and our proposal to modernize poultry slaughter inspection would help do that," Derfler said, by better positioning inspectors to ensure humane treatment of poultry.

Birds that die by means other than slaughter are called "cadavers" and not allowed to enter the food supply. Last year, FSIS records show, there were roughly 680,000 cadavers, down from around 730,000 the year before.

FSIS officials said the majority of cadavers are birds that have been dropped into scalding tanks alive.

"Dying other than by slaughter causes tremendous suffering to however many birds are subjected to this treatment," said Dena M. Jones, the Animal Welfare Institute's farm animal program manager.

Tom Super, a spokesman for the National Chicken Council, said there's an economic — as well as ethical — incentive to reduce the number of cadavers. He said that when birds miss the automatic knife, an employee is used as backup to keep live birds out of the scalder.

Rep. James Moran, a Virginia Democrat who co-chairs the Congressional Animal Protection Caucus, said he thought the number of chickens "boiled alive" in the U.S. was significant.

"You either feel for other living species, or you don't," said Moran, who signed the letter to Vilsack. "And a lot of people simply don't."

Virginia is 12th in the nation, according to the National Chicken Council.

The animal welfare groups' petition also said that birds aren't always properly stunned, which is supposed to make them insensible to pain before slaughter and that many birds suffer broken or dislocated bones when they are shackled for slaughter.

Super said that his group issued new guidelines last month requiring stunning to be more effective, with a goal of at least 99 percent of birds effectively stunned and insensible to pain, and corrective action required when it falls below 98 percent. And he said companies must have a monitoring program for wing and leg injuries, and retraining of employees when standards are exceeded.

Derfler, of the FSIS, said the agency works under existing law to ensure humane treatment of chickens, relying on the Poultry Products Inspection Act, which condemns adulterated products, including birds that die by means other than slaughter.

"Under our regulations, right now, if live birds go into the scald tank, we do think that's a prohibited act, under the Poultry Products Inspection Act," Derfler said. "And we'd take action, because the animals would be dying other than by slaughter — they'd be drowning, and not slaughtered in a humane way."

Temple Grandin, a noted professor with autism whose life's work understanding livestock was the subject of an HBO movie, said birds entering the scalder alive used to be a bigger problem than it is today.

"You shouldn't have live birds going in the scalder," she said. "You've got really good system — you're not going to have live birds going in the scalder."

# Shirley Jones wants a high-flying 80th birthday

*Associated Press*

LOS ANGELES — Inspired by a former president, Shirley Jones can't wait to jump into her birthday plans.

The Oscar-winning actress and singer said she'll take her very first skydive on Monday — her 80th birthday.

"That's something I wanted to do all my life," Jones said Friday. The inspiration to try comes from former President George H.W. Bush's jumps on several birthdays, including when he turned 85 in 2009.

"When I saw him do it I thought, 'Wow, if he can do this, I can,'" Jones said.

Jones, who starred in TV's "The Partridge Family" in the 1970s, gained fame with the 1950s film versions of the Broadway musicals "Oklahoma!" and "Carousel." She won an Oscar for the 1960 drama "Elmer Gantry."

She will be jumping in tandem with an instructor in Perris, a popular Southern California skydiving spot, according to her husband, comedian Marty Ingels.

Ingels was taken aback when she suggested it but has since come around, Jones said. Her children, not so much.

She quoted her oldest son, Shaun Cassidy, as saying, "Mom, what's the matter with you? Why would you want to do this at your age?"

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# American farmers confront 'big data' revolution

By Roxana Hegeman
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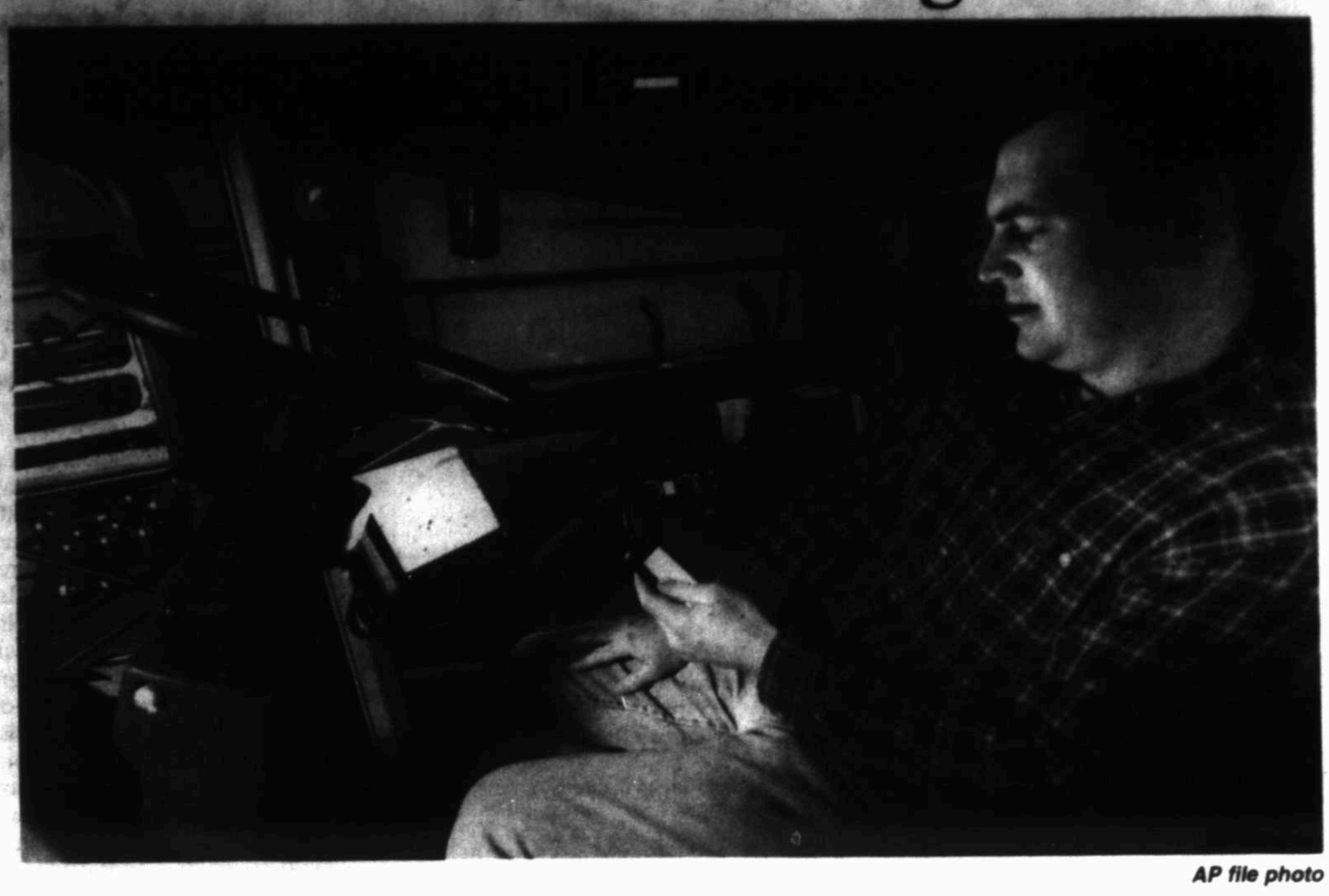

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Nick Guetterman looks over the data shared by his crop sprayer and cellphone while on his farm near Bucyrus, Kan., on Feb. 19. Farmers from across the nation gathered in Washington this month for their annual trek to seek action on the most important matters in American agriculture. But this time, a new issue emerged: growing unease about how the largest seed companies are gathering vast amount of data from sensors on tractors, combines and other farm equipment. The sensors measure soil conditions, seeding rates, crop yields and many other variables.

**WICHITA, Kan. — Farmers from across the nation gathered in Washington this month for what has become an annual trek to seek action on the most important matters in American agriculture, such as immigration reform and water regulations.**

**But this time, a new, more shadowy issue also emerged: growing unease about how the largest seed companies are gathering vast amount of data from sensors on tractors, combines and other farm equipment.**

**The increasingly common sensors measure soil conditions, seeding rates, crop yields and many other variables, allowing companies to provide farmers with customized guidance on how to get the most out of their fields.**

The involvement of the American Farm Bureau, the nation's largest and most prominent farming organization, illustrates how agriculture is cautiously entering a new era in which raw planting data holds both the promise of higher yields and the peril that the information could be hacked or exploited by corporations or government agencies.

Seed companies want to harness the data to help farmers grow more food with the same amount of land, and the industry's biggest brands have offered assurances that all information will be closely guarded.

But farmers are serving notice in Washington that the federal government might need to become involved in yet another debate over electronic security and privacy. Some members of Congress from rural states such as Kansas were already aware of the concerns, although the issue is new to many urban lawmakers.

Rep. Lynn Jenkins, a Kansas Republican who grew up on a dairy farm, said agriculture must achieve technological advances to keep up with population growth, which is expected to require 60 percent more food by 2050. But she has heard farmers' concerns about data collection.

"Information and data utilization is the way of the future," Jenkins said in an emailed statement. "And just as our federal government struggles with privacy concerns through records at the NSA and various health records, so too must we maintain appropriate privacy protection of individuals from corporate entities."

The Farm Bureau isn't sure what it needs from Washington, or whether action is even warranted yet. But farmers want their elected officials to be aware of how the industry is changing.

This year's trip to Washington was primarily "an educational effort" to make sure members of Congress know about the data collecting and understand "the implications of the issue for our farmers and ranchers," Steve Baccus, an Ottawa County farmer and president of the Kansas Farm Bureau. "We may need to come back at some time in the future and talk to them about legislation."

Farmers worry that a hedge fund or large company with access to "real-time" yield data from hundreds of combines at harvest time might be able to use that information to speculate in commodities markets long before the government issues crop-production estimates.

Others are concerned that GPS-linked farm data could be obtained by the Environmental Protection Agency, antagonistic environmental groups or, in the Farm Bureau's words, "an overall-clad Edward Snowden," a reference to the former National Security Agency analyst who disclosed intelligence-gathering operations.

"It is not like we don't all trust them," Mark Nelson, director of commodities for the Kansas Farm Bureau, said of agribusiness companies. The new data-collection systems deliver "a lot of good things" to producers. "But as an organization we are looking at, 'What is the big picture?'"

The Farm Bureau Federation put together a "privacy expectation guide" to educate its members and recently drafted a policy asserting that data should remain the farmer's property. The bureau also opposes allowing any federal agency to serve as a clearinghouse for proprietary or aggregated data collected by private companies.

Agribusiness giant Monsanto and other corporations have tried to allay fears by reassuring farmers their data is secure and will not be used beyond providing services farmers request.

This season, growers in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa and Minnesota can even buy for the first time a Monsanto "prescription" that offers a precise seeding recipe tailored to their soil type, disease history and pests.

The St. Louis-based company, which has dominated the bioengineered seed business for more than a decade, expects to expand its prescription services to other states. It calls the advancements the "Green Data Revolution" — a play off the so-called Green Revolution of the 20th century in which mechanical, chemical and biological advancements drove unprecedented increases in food production.

Monsanto expects the use of ag data to offer comparable improvements in the next few years. It bought Precision Planting, a high-tech farm equipment maker, in 2012, followed last October by the purchase of the Climate Corporation, a data-analytics firm that provides weather-related farm services and crop insurance and is handling Monsanto's fledgling data-related services.

The Green Data Revolution will help farmers make more profit per acre, said Dave Friedberg, chief executive officer of The Climate Corporation. The average farmer, he said, won't have to be "tech savvy."

"Tech will just become integral to the work that they do ... in the same way that more than 100 years ago, we adopted machine-based farming equipment as the standard in the industry," Friedberg said.

Companies are also pushing an Open Ag Data Alliance, which would set uniform data standards and allow systems built by different manufacturers to talk to one another.

Farm equipment manufacturer John Deere has partnered with DuPont Pioneer to tout what it calls "Decision Services," a system in which farmers upload data onto servers that respond by sending seed and fertilizer prescriptions directly to Deere tractors in the field. Other companies offer services that let farmers connect a tablet computer to the seed monitor in the cab and download the information.

Farm groups are conflicted about what role, if any, government should have in regulating data-gathering practices.

"We don't believe ultimately there is a legislative fix for this," said Terry Holdren, chief executive officer and general counsel for the Kansas Farm Bureau. "It is a contractual model for folks who have technology and folks who want technology."

Nick Guetterman, who farms roughly 10,000 acres of corn and wheat with his father and three brothers in eastern Kansas, already uses GPS technology and has been considering sending all his data to a specialized service. But he still has reservations about what a seed company or an equipment manufacturer will do with it.

"I have not found it on my farm beneficial enough to pay them to analyze my data," Guetterman said. "I either analyze it myself or do nothing with it."


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### Bunny breakfast

Midland Northside Lions Club's annual Bunny Breakfast is 7 a.m.-10 a.m. April 12 at the Midland Park Mall food court. There will be sausage biscuits from Texas Roadhouse, scrambled eggs from Fuddruckers, potatoes from Sidekicks & Legends and fruit from Chick-fil-A, coffee, orange juice and milk.

Tickets are $6 and are available at Abacus Computers at ClayDesta Center, Dillard's customer service, the mall's guest services booth and Liberty Tax Service. Door prizes will be given away.

### Iris society

West Texas Iris Society is to meet 7 p.m. Thursday at Community & Senior Services Center, 3301 Sinclair. Peggy Wennerlind is to give a program on designing arrangements.

For more information, call 352-5483.

### Support group today

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

### Lottery

**Pick 3 morning:** 9-5-2
**Pick 3 day:** 3-9-7
**Pick 3 evening:** 6-0-7
**Pick 3 night:** 7-3-6
**Daily 4 morning:** 6-9-8-2
**Daily 4 day:** 5-4-7-9
**Daily 4 evening:** 6-2-5-9
**Daily 4 night:** 6-3-8-5
**Cash Five:** 4-6-24-29-35
**Lotto Texas:** 4-13-16-19-29-30
**Powerball:** 2-3-12-27-38 PB: 17 Power Play: 2
**All or Nothing morning:** 1-2-6-7-8-10-14-15-18-22-23-24
**All or Nothing day:** 1-4-6-8-10-11-12-13-15-18-21-24
**All or Nothing evening:** 2-3-4-5-8-9-11-16-18-19-22-24
**All or Nothing night:** 2-4-5-7-13-14-15-16-18-20-21-23

*James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram*

Flint Newman shares a moment with his dog, Bentley, on Wednesday at his family's ranch in Stanton.

## FLINT

**From 1A**

Stock Show and Rodeo in 2013, and the Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo in February.

At his final competition — the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo last weekend — Flint capped off his tenure by exhibiting the grand champion steer. The steer, G.O., sold for $400,000, of which Flint netted $75,000. The price topped last year's grand champion by $40,000.

"It's pretty amazing, I guess," Flint said. "Not everybody's got the chance to do what we do. Everybody goes to win. It's really, really competitive."

It took hundreds of hours of work and the efforts of the whole Newman family to make Flint's successes happen.

While Flint and his parents traveled for shows, his older sister, Dakota, a senior at Texas Tech University, would make the drive from Lubbock every day after class to tend to the remaining steer.

"It means quite a bit (to have Dakota help)," Flint said. "If she hadn't done that, something could have happened, or he couldn't have been fed right and been crippled, and we wouldn't know."

Mandy said Dakota, who exhibited the Houston grand champion in 2005, is her brother's biggest fan.

"She's as happy for him as if she'd done it herself, if not happier," Mandy said. "She was probably happier than he was."

The tradition of showing runs deep for the Newmans, whose family has owned the Martin County ranch since the 1870s.

"I never thought about not showing," Flint said. "It's just, I guess it's kind of what's in our blood. It's what we do."

Flint's father, Kevin, started raising steers as a kid and won the Houston grand reserve champion in 1980. It sold for $52,000. Kevin's sister, Kody Horwood, won Houston exactly 30 years before to Flint's top steer and won every major show in Texas.

Now, Horwood's son, Tristan Himes, has started showing. Dakota and Tristan were on stage with Flint when his champion steer sold at Houston.

"Next year, we'll just help him all the time, because we're not going to know what to do without show steers," Flint said.

Flint said he was especially glad to have his grandparents in Houston at the sale.

"It's a blessing," he said. "They did it, and their kids did it, and I'm doing it. It's special to them, making them proud."

Parks Tucker, Martin County AgriLife Extension agent, said of the approximately 75 students in 4-H, about 20 show animals at livestock shows. Like the Newmans — "one of the really good families here in the county" — the tradition is often passed on through families.

Mandy said as much as they enjoy the competition, it wasn't about winning. It was about the journey.

"All the hard work they put into it, and all the stuff they gave up, which they didn't care if they gave up stuff or not, and it all just, finally, went the right way," she said, tears in her eyes. "We were really sad thinking about this last year and what we're going to do next year. This is our life. This is who we are. This is what we do."

Flint plans to attend Texas Tech University in the fall to study agriculture.

"And then come back here," Mandy added, laughing.

Maintaining the family's tradition is something Flint plans to do. Growing up on the ranch taught him "the important stuff," like good morals, work ethic and valuing family, he said.

"You just don't get out of this stuff," Mandy said. "It's in your blood."

### About Flint

**Who:** Flint Newman
**School:** Stanton High School
**Class:** Senior
**Notables:** Plans to go to Texas Tech, participates in the pole vault in track, family has lived on its Martin County ranch since the 1870s

**FLINT'S GRAND CHAMPION STEER RUN**

- San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo in 2011
- San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo in 2013
- Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo in February
- Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo last weekend

# New York town awaits ruling on moment of prayer

**By Carolyn Thompson**
*Associated Press*

GREECE, N.Y. — At their most recent monthly meeting, the five members of the Greece Town Board took their seats, gaveled to order and moved quickly through the regular opening agenda:

Roll Call. (Check.)
Pledge of Allegiance. (Check.)
Moment of Prayer. (Check.)

Leaders of this town of 96,000 outside Rochester said they have no plans to shake up the longtime routine unless, of course, the U.S. Supreme Court orders them to.

A ruling could come any day now on whether the town violated the Constitution with its opening prayers because nearly every one in an 11-year span was overtly Christian. This month's was no exception — a Baptist minister delivering a head-bowed, eyes-closed, 40-second invocation.

"Lord, we ask that the decisions that are made will be made with a lot of thought and with a lot of wisdom from you," said the Rev. Mike Metzger of First Bible Baptist Church. "In Jesus' name, I pray."

Greece's expeditious, matter-of-fact Christian prayer, with no mention of those who believe differently, is at the heart of a case with potentially wide-ranging impact: Governmental bodies from Congress and state legislatures to school boards often pause for prayer before getting down to business.

But if this town— which is neither rich nor poor and evenly split politically — has been swept up in this potentially divisive question, there has been little outward evidence. No signs, pickets, billboards or bumper stickers.

"I don't think it's something that's being talked about at the grocery store, the coffee shop," said Town Supervisor William Reilich, who characterized the initial lawsuit as the work of out-of-town interests with a broader anti-public prayer agenda. "It wasn't like residents rose up against this."

When asked their views, several people around town said they were eager to see what the high court would say and offered suggestions ranging from leaving the prayer as is to doing away with it all together.

"I prefer not to have it if some people feel uncomfortable," said Jim Callahan, a 65-year-old sales rep.

"Prayer should definitely be accepted and is very much needed," countered Aaron Rebis, a 21-year-old pizzeria employee. "If we get rid of it, we're going to be in big trouble."

The case, Greece v. Galloway, began in 2008 when town residents Susan Galloway, who is Jewish, and Linda Stephens, an atheist, complained that the Christian prayers at town board meetings made them uncomfortable. Every meeting from 1999 through 2007 had been opened with a Christian-oriented invocation.

"Originally, we really hoped that if we went in and talked to them, they would say, 'Oh, we didn't think about that,'" Galloway told The Associated Press on Friday.

"In government you should be encouraging participation and encourage the feeling of being included and being an important member of your community," she said in a brief phone interview.

After the complaints, the town, in 2008, had a Wiccan priestess, the chairman of the local Baha'i congregation and a lay Jewish man deliver four of the prayers. But from January 2009 through June 2010, the prayer-givers were again invited Christian clergy, according to court documents.

Reilich said the town accepted requests from people of any religion to deliver the prayer and that the vast majority of residents view it as routine as the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ayesha Khan, the legal director for Americans United for Separation of Church and State, which brought the suit on Galloway and Stephens' behalf, said the women have received both support and criticism from neighbors. She said Stephens' car was vandalized and someone dug up her mailbox and threw it into her pool.

The two residents lost their suit in U.S. District Court after the judge found that the town did not intentionally exclude non-Christians and that the content of the prayer was not intended to proselytize or demean other faiths. But the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said the practice of having one Christian prayer after another amounted to the town's endorsement of Christianity.

## FIREFIGHTERS

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"We're not looking to cover those vacancies with overtime in any way," Isbell said. "It puts a stress on the system. And so what we try to do is delicately balance that overtime workload with our firefighters so that we don't burn them out."

City Manager Courtney Sharp said if the fire department is recruiting firefighters from out of town, it could incentivize the job offer by giving moving allowances or subsidizing apartment rentals for the first few months.

"It's all about how creative we can be to get folks to move out to Midland," Sharp said.

And like any non-energy industry worker in Midland, firefighters have to resist the greater private sector salaries that oil companies can offer. Any firefighter, no matter how much experience they gained from the job, has the potential to leave for the oilfield, Isbell said.

He said housing is the main reason why the fire department isn't fully staffed. Isbell said some firefighters who potentially could have joined MFD choose to work in other cities, even if the salary is lower, because housing is more affordable than in Midland.

"It (the housing market) is the biggest deterrent in new recruiting," Isbell said.

The fire chief previously told the Reporter-Telegram that new recruits who do choose to come to Midland would share an apartment or live temporarily at the fire stations because of the current housing market.

"After they get here, they start looking and realize, 'I can't afford to live here,'" Isbell said.

### Recruitment struggles in City Hall

For years, recruitment issues also have affected high-level positions within city hall. The city hired a new finance director in December after the predecessor sought retirement for as far back as a year. It also took the city months and years to find new engineering and development services directors.

Sharp said finding people who could do the specialized work of a department head, like a municipal finance director, or other positions, such as city planner, requires hiring someone from major cities.

"I can't go down the street and recruit a city planner," Sharp said. "I have to generally go into the Metroplex to recruit a planner. And if they can stay in the Dallas area making so much money, why would they come to Midland and make less money with higher housing costs?"

The city completed a compensation and classification study in January to compete with the major cities of Texas. From the study, officials decided to increase the salaries for more than half of its employees, including 400 public safety employees.

The new increases will go into effect Tuesday and cost the city $2 million.

Sharp acknowledged that Midland's quality of life, not just compensation, also requires maintenance. Good education systems, good parks and recreation and good entertainment also are necessary to be able to fill the city's vacant positions.

The city had 150 job vacancies as of Feb. 11, according to information obtained through the open records request.

"If you haven't grown up in West Texas, it's hard to move out to West Texas," Sharp said.

### Salary review

Information from a review of the list of city employees' salaries for 2013:

■ The city attorney, not the city manager, earns the highest salary.

City Attorney Keith Stretcher has worked for the city since July 25, 1983, and City Manager Courtney Sharp since Oct. 1, 2008.

These two positions, as well as the city secretary and Municipal Court judges, are hired by the City Council, which also sets the salaries.

■ The fire chief makes $5,000 more than the police chief.

■ 60 city employees earned salaries of more than $80,000.

■ Most salaries increased about 5 percent from 2012 to 2013.

## BILL

**From 1A**

humanities; and multidisciplinary studies.

Craddick said it's not realistic that all students will go to college, but this doesn't mean they can't be well-prepared for the workforce.

"If you're an eighth-grader today and say, 'There's really not a lot in school for me. I think I'll drop out because I can get a good job in Midland, Texas,'" Craddick said. "What we're going to be able to say increasingly is you can get a better job, be better prepared in Midland, Texas, by staying in school and doing some things that are really designed to help you."

Midland ISD Superintendent Ryder Warren agrees that increased options will help keep more students in school.

"Putting every one of our 5 million kids (in Texas) in one academic box just did not fit us," Warren said. "It really didn't."

With options that prepare students for college or work, every student should earn an endorsement, Warren said.

"We don't want parents or kids just thinking about the foundational program," he said. "That is the minimum expectation we should have for our kids. Every one of our kids should get an endorsement, and that's what we're really trying to stress. Do not settle for that foundational 22 credits of high school. Find something that you like. We're going to do our best to fill that and get the endorsement that gets you either into the great college you want to go to or into a profession that you want to go into."

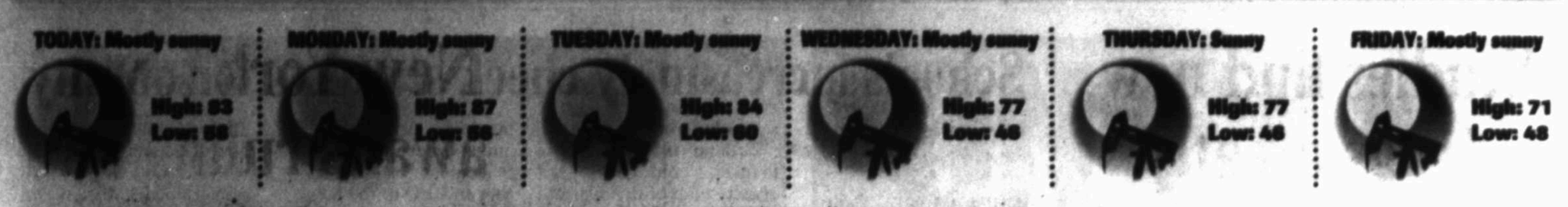
MISD recently held four sessions at junior highs to discuss new graduation requirements with students and parents. Warren said the meetings were well-attended, and the primary concern from parents is how readily available the classes will be.

Classes for the endorsements begin in the fall, especially at the freshman centers, Warren said.

"That's the difference between the old system and the new system," Warren said. "Parents will be telling me what I need to hire, the teachers I need to hire, the programs I need to put in. The eighth-graders this year are going to be developing four-year plans."

Going forward with implementation, Warren said staffing will be the biggest challenge, especially finding teachers with the necessary certifications.

Greenwood ISD Superintendent Ariel Elliott said there are fewer teachers certified in specialties outside of the core areas of the curriculum. Though GISD's implementation plan is not yet finalized, Elliott said the district is exploring a relationship with Midland College, as well as getting some current teachers recertified.




## Local forecast

Expect mostly sunny skies today with a high around 83 and south winds between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph. There will be patchy blowing dust after 1 p.m. Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy conditions with a low around 58 and south winds between 20 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

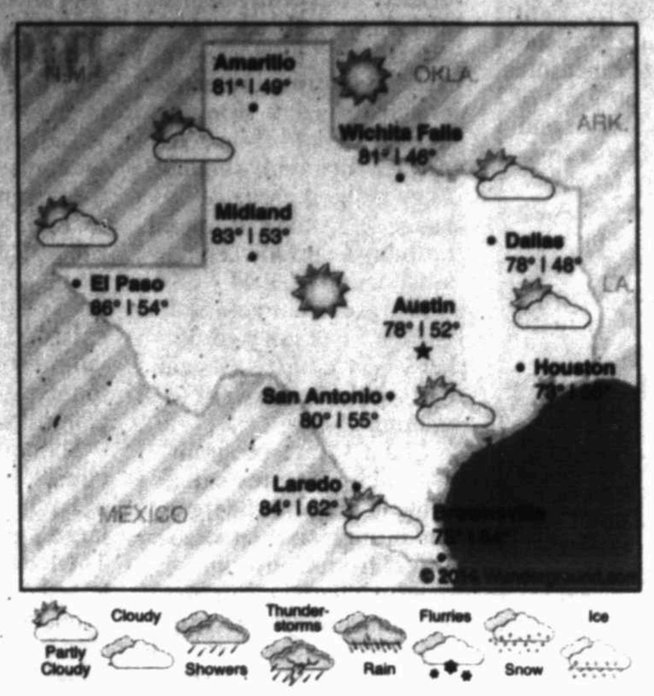
Monday, look for mostly sunny skies with a high around 87 and south winds between 10 and 15 mph. Expect partly cloudy conditions at night, with a low around 56 and west winds between 5 and 10 mph becoming light and variable after midnight.

Tuesday, the forecast calls for mostly sunny skies during the day, partly cloudy skies at night, with a high around 84 and a low around 60. There is 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1 p.m. and at night.

The high on Saturday reached 75, while the low dropped to 41. The record high for March 29 is 95 set in 1963. The record low is 18 set in 1944.

## National forecast

A sluggish storm system will plague the East with more rain today.

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**Saturday's temperatures**

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| High | 75 |
| Low | 41 |
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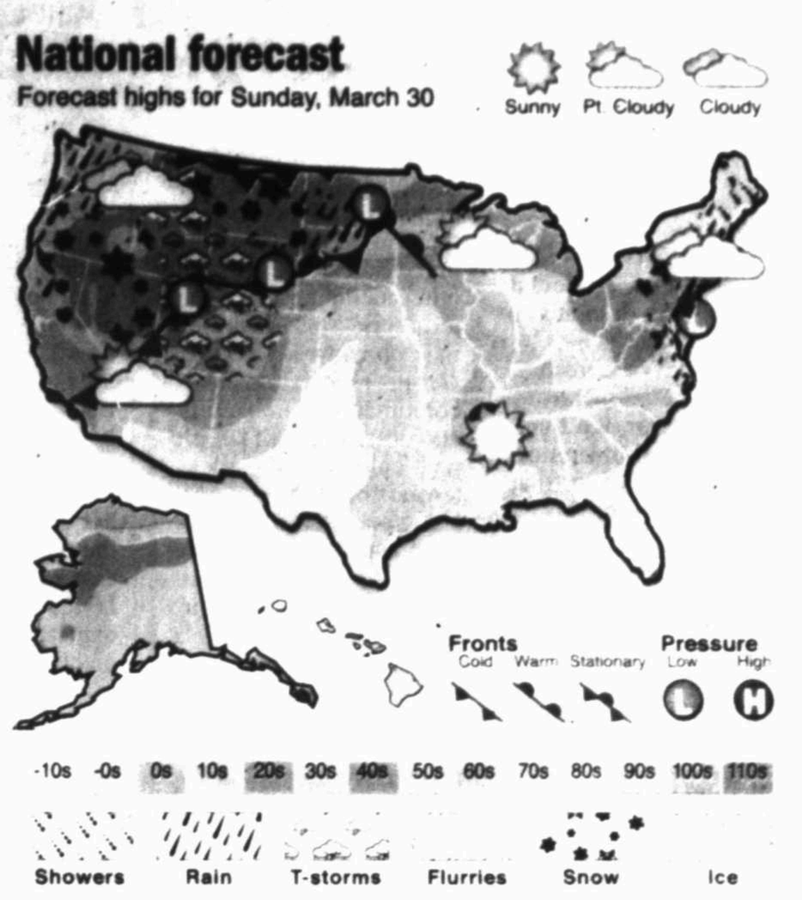
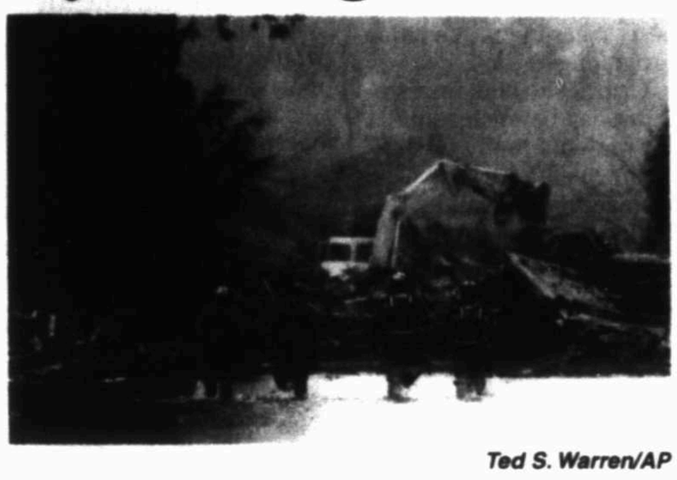
## National forecast

Forecast highs for Sunday, March 30




# Community 'changed forevermore' by deadly mudslide

**By Jonathan J. Cooper and Lisa Baumann**
*Associated Press*



*Ted S. Warren/AP*

Four search and rescue workers wade through water Thursday on the eastern edge of the massive mudslide that struck March 22 near Darrington, Wash., as heavy equipment moves trees and other debris in the background.

DARRINGTON, Wash. — The search by heavy equipment, dogs and bare hands for victims from the deadly Washington mudslide was going "all the way to the dirt" as crews looked for anything to provide answers for family and friends a week after a small mountainside community was destroyed.

All work on the debris field halted briefly Saturday for a moment of silence to honor those lost. Gov. Jay Inslee had asked people across Washington to pause at 10:37 a.m., the time the huge slide struck on March 22, destroying a neighborhood in the community of Oso north of Seattle. Authorities said they have found at least 25 bodies and 90 remain missing.

"People all over stopped work — all searchers — in honor of that moment, so people we are searching for know we are serious," Snohomish County Fire District 1 battalion chief Steve Mason said.

An American flag had been run up a tree and then down to half-staff at the debris site, he said.

Among the dozens of missing are a man in his early 20s, Adam Farnes, and his mother, Julie.

"He was a giant man with a giant laugh," Kellie Howe said of Farnes. Howe became friends with him when he moved to the area from Alaska. She said Adam Farnes was the kind of guy who would come into your house and help you do the dishes.

Adam Farnes also played the banjo, drums and bass guitar, she said, and had worked as a telephone lineman and a 911 dispatcher.

"He loved his music loud," she said. "They still have not found him or his mom. They're going through a hard time right now."

Finding and identifying all the victims could stretch on for a very long time, and authorities have warned that not everyone may ultimately be accounted for after one of the deadliest landslides in U.S. history.

Rescuers have given a cursory look at the entire debris field 55 miles northeast of Seattle, said Steve Harris, division supervisor for the eastern incident management team. They are now sifting through the rest of the fragments, looking for places where dogs should give extra attention. Only "a very small percentage" has received the more thorough examination, he said.

Dogs working four-hour shifts have been the most useful tool, Harris said, but they're getting hypothermic in the rain and muck.

"This is western Washington, folks," Harris said. "These people are used to rain."

Commanders are making sure people have the right gear to stay safe in the rain and potentially hazardous materials, and they're keeping a close eye on the river level to be sure nobody is trapped by rising water, he said.

At the debris site Saturday, Mason, the battalion chief, said teams first do a hasty search of any wreckage of homes they find. If nothing is immediately discovered, they do a more detailed, forensic search.

"We go all the way to the dirt," he said.

The huge wall of Earth that crashed into the collection of homes followed weeks of heavy rain.

Previous slides triggered by storms included one that killed 150 people in Virginia in the wake of Hurricane Camille in 1969 and another that killed 129 when rain from Tropical Storm Isabel loosened tons of mud that buried the Puerto Rican community of Mameyes in 1985.

A dam in San Francisquito Canyon, Calif., collapsed in 1928, causing an abutment to give way and killing 500 people, according to data from the U.S. Geological Survey.

Crews pleaded with the public not to show up and try to help. Only local volunteers are being allowed to help rescuers.

Mayor Dan Rankin said the community had been "changed forevermore."

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# Studies find new drugs greatly lower cholesterol

By Marlynn Marchione
*Associated Press*

WASHINGTON — A new class of experimental medicines can dramatically lower cholesterol, raising hopes of a fresh option for people who can't tolerate or don't get enough help from Lipitor and other statin drugs that have been used for this for decades.

The first large studies of these drugs were presented Saturday at an American College of Cardiology conference in Washington, and more will follow today.

Several companies are developing these drugs, which are aimed at 70 million Americans and millions more worldwide who have high LDL or "bad" cholesterol, a major risk for heart disease.

Three studies of Amgen Inc.'s version of these drugs, called evolocumab, found it lowered LDL or "bad" cholesterol by 55 to 66 percent from baseline levels compared to others who took a fake drug, and by nearly that much when compared to Merck's Zetia, another cholesterol medication.

As impressive as that is, it's still just part of the picture. Doctors want evidence that the way these drugs lower cholesterol also will lead to fewer heart attacks and deaths, because that proof already exists for statins. New studies are underway to test this, but Amgen said it will seek approval for its drug this year based on cholesterol-lowering alone.

That was enough to win approval for statins and Zetia, but use of Zetia has declined since 2008, when research showed it failed to help prevent heart attacks even though it cut cholesterol. Hopes are high that the new Amgen drug and others like it will do better.

"I would be happy to see it approved" on the cholesterol results alone, said Dr. Hadley Wilson, a cardiologist at Carolinas HealthCare System. "We need additional agents other than statins" to help patients, he said.

Nearly all current cholesterol medicines — fibrates, niacin and top-selling statins — are decades old. Statins such as Lipitor, Zocor and Crestor curb cholesterol production. Zetia, which came out about a decade ago, helps block the absorption of cholesterol from the intestine.

The new drugs block PCSK9, a substance that interferes with the liver's ability to remove cholesterol from the blood.

They have big drawbacks, though. Statins are pills sold as generics for as little as a dime a day. The new drugs are proteins rather than chemicals, and those tend to be very expensive to make. They also must be given as shots every two weeks or once a month. People can give the shots to themselves with a pen-like device. The companies developing the new medicines have not said what they might cost.

"We were very, very pleased" about how well patients accepted the shots, and if they offer better results, especially for those with inherited conditions, "people will accept it," said Dr. Michael Koren of Jacksonville Center for Clinical Research in Florida, who helped lead two of the studies.

The three Amgen studies involved about 2,000 patients in all. Doctors tested the drug in people with high cholesterol not taking other medicines, as a long-term (one-year) treatment in people already taking various medications and in combination with statins and other drugs in people with an inherited cholesterol disorder.

In general, side-effect rates were about the same for evolocumab vs. placebo or Zetia. In some studies, muscle aches, nausea and a few other problems were a little higher with the experimental drug.

Overall safety "is very, very encouraging," said Dr. Scott Wasserman, Amgen's executive medical director.

Researchers also said:

■ Alirocumab, a similar drug being developed by Sanofi SA and Regeneron Pharmaceuticals Inc., lowered LDL cholesterol by 47 percent vs. 16 percent for Zetia in a study of about 100 people not taking any other drugs for high cholesterol.

■ Bococizumab, from Pfizer Inc., lowered LDL 45 percent to 67 percent, depending on dose, compared to placebo in 354 people with high cholesterol also taking a statin.

"There's great interest" in all of these drugs, but doctors will wait for evidence that they lower heart risks, said Dr. Neil Stone, a Northwestern University cardiologist and spokesman for the American Heart Association.

It may be easier to justify their use in patients with genes that cause high cholesterol at an early age, he said.

A spokeswoman for the federal Food and Drug Administration, Sandy Walsh, suggested that might be the case.

"Although we cannot comment on the likelihood of approval based solely on specific indications or populations," two drugs recently were approved based on cholesterol-lowering for people with inherited conditions, she noted.

A decision on approval also will be influenced by how much the drug lowers cholesterol, its effects on other fats in the blood and other heart signs such as inflammation and blood pressure, and its safety, she said.

# Schools increasingly check students for obesity

By Julie Watson
*Associated Press*

CHULA VISTA, Calif. — The Chula Vista school district not only measures the academic progress of Marina Beltran's second-grader, it also measures her son's body fat.

Every two years, Antonio Beltran, like his classmates, steps on a scale. Trained district personnel also measure his height and then use the two figures to calculate his body mass index, an indicator of body fat.

The calculation isn't reported to Beltran or her son, who cannot see the readout on the scale that has a remote display. Instead it's used by the district to collect local data on children's weight.

Beltran supports her son's school in measuring students because the data has brought in help to address obesity, which can lead to diabetes and other illnesses tied to a lifetime of poor habits.

But the practice hasn't been embraced everywhere.

Other school districts have angered parents and eating disorder groups by conducting screenings to identify overweight children and send home what critics called obesity report cards or "fat letters."

Amid the nation's childhood obesity epidemic, schools in nearly a quarter of all states record body mass index scores, measuring hundreds of thousands of students.

Some, like the Chula Vista Elementary School District, do what is known as surveillance, in which students are measured to identify how many are at risk for weight-related health problems but they remain anonymous. Other districts do screenings to track the weight of individual students and notify parents whose children are classified at an unhealthy weight.

Chula Vista is being touted for its methods that have resulted in motivating the community to take action. When nearly 25,000 students were measured in 2010, it discovered about 40 percent of its children were obese or overweight.

Officials used the data to make a color-coded obesity map of the district and showed the community. Instead of creating a stir, the information acted as a distress call, bringing in help. Schools boosted partnerships with doctors. They planted gardens, banned cupcakes at school birthdays, and tracked kids' activity levels.

"I've seen a dramatic change," Beltran said of her son, who now eats carrots and looks forward to running club.

Chula Vista's program — which measures students in grades kindergarten through sixth grade — differs from California's state-mandated program for fifth, seventh and ninth graders that screens students and notifies parents of the scores.

Vicki Greenleaf said she received what she called a "fat letter" in the mail last summer from the Los Angeles Unified School District. Her daughter does Brazilian martial arts four times a week and is built like Olympic gold medalist Mary Lou Retton, but was classified as overweight by the state-mandated body mass index screening program, she said.

Critics say body mass index can be misleading for muscular body types.

Greenleaf, a spokeswoman for the National Eating Disorders Association, said her daughter knew about the screening's limitations but other children's self-esteem could be seriously harmed by such notifications.

"I think those letters make kids feel bad about themselves," she said. "For a kid that is predisposed to an eating disorder, those are the kind of triggers that can set it off."

Massachusetts in October stopped requiring schools notify parents when a child scores high after receiving reports that the data was not safeguarded enough, "leading to alarm, confusion or embarrassment," according to the state's public health department. Parents can request the results.

"The current policies to protect student data are pretty inconsistent and at times woefully inadequate," said James Steyer, CEO of the San Francisco-based nonprofit Common Sense Media, which reviews technology and children's privacy.

Little is known about the outcomes of school-based measurement programs, including effects on attitudes, and behaviors of youth and their families. As a result, no consensus exists on their utility for young people, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Schools, over medical clinics, have the advantage of having access to the largest number of children. The local data is valuable to researchers who have had a dearth of childhood obesity information, and it can be used to pinpoint places that need help, said Dr. Matt Longjohn, an assistant adjunct professor in the Departments of Pediatrics and Preventive Medicine at Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine.

"If parents knew the facts — that obesity solutions may be being applied to their communities inequitably or inadequately without this data — they would support this," Longjohn said.

Statewide childhood obesity rates in Arkansas have remained relatively stable since it became the first state in 2003 to mandate school-based screenings.

Arkansas has become a model for how to do it, as well as Chula Vista's school district, along with San Diego County's Health and Human Services Agency, which also now records children's body mass index scores, Longjohn said.

A kit by Chula Vista for other schools recommends a professional digital scale with a remote display so only trained staff sees the number, and not listing children's names in any report. Mirroring CDC's guidance for schools, staff explains to parents how the information will be used and they can opt out.

The district found that schools with the most overweight students were in the poorest areas and had the smallest number of parks and the highest concentration of fast-food restaurants.

Beltran said the map motivated parents, but they would have been uncomfortable if officials had issued body fat report cards.

"Nobody wants to feel attacked or put on the offensive by being singled out," she said. "So it helped that we were told we're all in this together."

The cafeteria at Lilian J. Rice Elementary, Antonio Beltran's school, now offers fruit and vegetables from local farms and eliminated chocolate milk. Parent Teacher Association fundraisers sell bracelets and magazines instead of nachos and candy.

In 2012, the district measured again and found obesity rates dropped by 3 percent and the number of students in the normal weight range increased by 3 percent — meaning about 750 students had moved down a level.

"We're not yet where we want to be, but we're close," Principal Ernesto Villanueva said. "Considering 80 percent of our most common disease could be prevented by changing what we eat, that's pretty powerful stuff."

Students will be measured again this fall.


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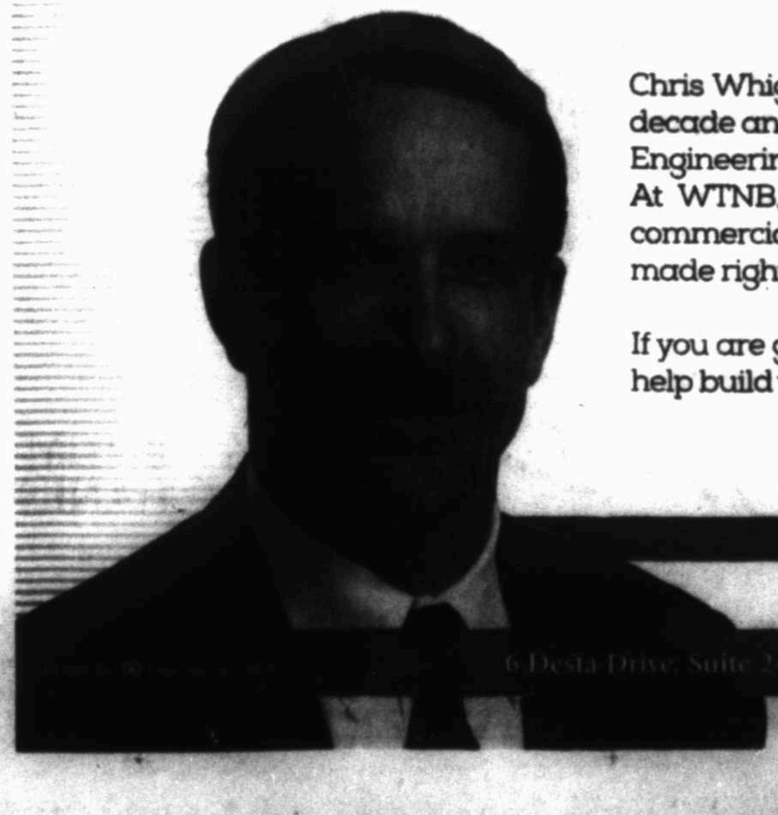

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Sgt. Matthew Falanga, an airborne electronics analyst, observes a radar image Thursday aboard a Royal Australian Air Force AP-3C Orion aircraft during a search operation of the missing Malaysian Airlines Flight 370 over the southern Indian Ocean.

# Technology hindered, helped search for missing airliner

By Scott Mayerowitz
*Associated Press*

NEW YORK — The disappearance of Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 has presented two tales of modern technology.

The limitations of tracking and communications devices allowed the plane to vanish from sight for nearly three weeks. But satellites' advanced capabilities have provided hope that the mystery won't go unsolved.

In this day and age of constant connection, the public has been surprised to learn that radar and satellites aren't actually all-seeing, cellphone locations aren't always traceable and key data about the plane is only recorded, not transmitted in real time to the ground. And onboard tracking systems can be disabled manually — one theory holds that someone in the cockpit intentionally diverted the plane and disguised their actions.

"Technology can track a flight, but assuming malice was involved, it wouldn't change the outcome of this disaster. Only better human intelligence and screening can do that," said Richard Aboulafia, an aviation consultant with the Teal Group.

Still, the mystery of Flight 370 would have been even more perplexing if it weren't for some of these technologies. The little information we have today about where the plane might have crashed came from satellites.

"If it weren't for the technologies, nobody would have had a clue where to look," said Scott Hamilton, managing director of aviation consultancy Leeham Co.

Here is a look at how old and new technologies have aided or hindered the search effort.

### Transponders

These cockpit devices send signals to radar stations on the ground with details about the plane's flight number, heading, speed and altitude. The transponder also can be used to send predetermined messages to air traffic controllers. For instance, if a plane's transponder squawks out a code of "7500," it means there has been a hijacking. A squawk of "7600" refers to a radio failure, and "7700" means an emergency.

Flight 370 took off from Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia at 12:40 a.m. local time on March 8, heading to Beijing. Then at 1:20 a.m., the transponder stopped transmitting. The Boeing 777-200ER with 239 passengers and crew aboard kept flying for several hours but no further signals were ever received from the transponder.

It's rare for a commercial pilot to intentionally turn off a transponder during flight, but occasionally there is a legitimate reason, such as a malfunction, electrical short or fire. Pilots would want to shut it down rather than risk a fire spreading.

### Radar

Radar was developed just before the start of World War II. The word radar is actually an acronym: radio (use the R and the A) detection and ranging.

An antenna on the ground sends out electromagnetic waves. They reflect, or backscatter, from the surface of an aircraft and almost instantly return to the radar station. Since these radio waves travel at a known, set speed — the speed of light — the radar system is able to calculate how far away a plane is from the antenna.

But radar's only able to track planes within 200 to 250 miles, depending on the age of the technology and the weather. Station locations are selected to allow for a slight overlap so planes in high-traffic areas are never out of reach.

In the case of the Malaysia Airlines jet, military radar picked up a signal at 2:14 a.m. of a plane flying in the opposite direction of Flight 370's original path. The radar signal was infrequent and there was no transponder data, making it harder to track.

### Satellite tracking

Some jets use satellites to regularly send maintenance data back to headquarters. Malaysia Airlines did not opt to subscribe to this service from Boeing. The jet's disappearance has many calling for airlines to live stream information from planes' voice and data recorders. However, transmitting data by satellite from all 80,000 daily flights worldwide wouldn't be cheap — it costs $7 to $13 a minute for each plane. And it's not like airlines are flush with extra cash. On average, they made $4.13 in profit per passenger last year and $2.05 in 2012.

Other satellite transmissions from the plane, however, helped searchers ultimately narrow in on the plane's final location in a remote part of the Indian Ocean.

The plane automatically sent a brief signal — a "ping" — every hour to a satellite belonging to Inmarsat, a British company, even after other communication systems shut down. The pings indicated that the jet kept flying for seven hours after its last radar contact.

Inmarsat was able to calculate two long arcs indicating where the plane might have flown. It refined that analysis by factoring in the jet's speed relative to the satellite. The company gauged how the frequency was received and transmitted — the so-called Doppler effect is similar to the way the sound of a passing car changes as it approaches and passes by a fixed point.

This Burst Frequency Offset method had never been used before. Its validity was confirmed by applying the analysis to six other Boeing 777 flights — whose positions were known— on the same day, flying in various directions.

That new information led to an announcement Monday night by Malaysian Prime Minister Najib Razak that the plane ended its flight in a remote part of the Indian Ocean.

### Satellite images

Private satellites and those of several governments have spotted what were initially believed to be parts of the plane in the southern Indian Ocean, about 1,550 miles southwest of Perth, Australia. But the search area was moved 680 miles to the northeast on Friday, as Australian officials said a new analysis of radar data suggests the plane had flown faster and therefore ran out of fuel more quickly than had been previously estimated.

That means searchers have concluded that the hundreds of floating objects detected over the last week by satellite weren't from the plane after all. Any images picked up by satellites might be the best tool in ultimately finding the remains of the plane.

### Cellphones

Many people initially asked why cellphone GPS data couldn't be used to help find the missing plane. Several relatives of passengers said they were getting phones to ring, even if they remained unanswered. Smartphones can help pinpoint a person's location, but only if they are near a cellular tower allowing the phone to transmit data. If a plane is 7 miles up in the air or flying over the ocean, the phone won't be able to connect with towers on land. As for why the phones kept ringing, that's sometimes what happens when a network can't locate a phone.

### New objects seen; no jet evidence yet

A Chinese military plane scanning part of a search zone the size of Poland for signs of debris from Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 spotted several objects floating in the sea Saturday, including two bearing colors of the missing jet.

But it was not clear whether the objects were related to the 3-week-old investigation, and the second day of searching in the area ended with no evidence found of the jet, officials said.

The Chinese Ilyushin IL-76 spotted three floating objects, China's official Xinhua News Agency said, a day after several planes and ships combing the newly targeted area closer to Australia saw several other objects.

Ships from China and Australia scooped up items described only as "objects from the ocean," but none were "confirmed to be related" to Flight 370, said a statement from the Australian Maritime Safety Authority, which is overseeing the search.

Relatives and friends of the passengers said they were tortured by the uncertainty over the fate of their loved ones, as they wait for hard evidence that the plane crashed.

"This is the trauma of maybe he's dead, maybe he's not. Maybe he's still alive and we need to find him. Maybe he died within the first hour of the flight and we don't know," Sarah Bajc, the American girlfriend of U.S. passenger Philip Wood, said in Beijing.

The three objects spotted by the Chinese plane Saturday were white, red and orange in color, the Xinhua report said. The missing Boeing 777's exterior was red, white, blue and gray.

An Australian PC3 Orion search plane also sighted objects in a different part of the search area, but the maritime safety authority did not describe those objects in greater detail.

An image captured a day earlier by a New Zealand plane showed a white rectangular object floating in the sea, but it was not clear whether it was related to the missing jet or was just sea trash.

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# Poll: Obama health law fails to gain support

By Ricardo Alonso-Zaldivar and Dennis Junius
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President Barack Obama signs the Affordable Care Act in the East Room of the White House on March 23, 2010. Public support for Obama's health care law is languishing at its lowest level since passage of the landmark legislation four years ago, even though perceptions of some of the law's problems have improved slightly, according to a new poll. With Obama are Marcelas Owens of Seattle, left, and Rep. John Dingell, D-Mich., right; from top left are Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa., Senate Majority Whip Richard Durbin of Ill., Vice President Joe Biden, Vicki Kennedy, widow of Sen. Ted Kennedy, Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., Rep. Sander Levin, D-Mich., Ryan Smith of Turlock, Calif., Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi of Calif., House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer of Md., Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid of Nev., Rep. Patrick Kennedy, D-R.I., House Majority Whip James Clyburn of S.C., and Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif.

WASHINGTON — Despite a late surge in sign-ups, support for President Barack Obama's health care law is languishing at its lowest level since passage of the landmark legislation four years ago, according to a new poll.

The Associated Press-GfK survey finds that 26 percent of Americans support the Affordable Care Act. Yet even fewer — 13 percent — think it will be completely repealed. A narrow majority expects the law to be further implemented with minor changes, or as passed.

"To get something repealed that has been passed is pretty impossible," said Gwen Sliger of Dallas. "At this point, I don't see that happening."

Sliger illustrates the prevailing national mood. Although a Democrat, she's strongly opposed to Obama's signature legislation. Yet she thinks "Obamacare" is here to stay.

"I like the idea that if you have a pre-existing condition you can't be turned down, but I don't like the idea that if you don't have health insurance you'll be fined," said Sliger.

That central requirement that virtually all Americans have coverage or face fines remains highly unpopular. Forty-one percent said it should be completely repealed, about double the 19 percent who said it should remain in the law as passed. Obama, insurers and most policy experts consider the so-called individual mandate essential to creating a big insurance pool that keeps premiums affordable.

The poll was taken before Thursday's announcement by the White House that new health insurance markets have surpassed the goal of 6 million sign-ups, so it did not register the potential impact of that news on public opinion. Open enrollment season began with a dysfunctional HealthCare.gov website Oct. 1. It will end Monday at midnight, Eastern time, on what looks to be a more positive note.

Impressions of the coverage rollout, while low, have improved slightly.

Only 5 percent of Americans say the launch of the insurance exchanges has gone very or extremely well. But the number who think it has gone at least somewhat well improved from 12 percent in December to 26 percent now. The exchanges are marketplaces that offer subsidized private coverage to people without a plan on the job.

Of those who said they or someone in their household tried signing up for coverage, 59 percent said there were problems.

Repealing the health care law is the rallying cry of Republicans running to capture control of the Senate in the fall elections. The Republican-led House has already voted more than 50 times to repeal, defund or scale back "Obamacare," but it has been stymied in its crusade by Democrats running the Senate. Playing defense, Democrats are campaigning with a message of fixing the law to make it work better.

The poll found that 7 in 10 Americans believe the law will be implemented with changes.

Forty-two percent think those changes will be minor, and 30 percent say they think major changes are in store.

Combining the 42 percent who see minor changes coming and 12 percent who say they think the law will be implemented as passed, a narrow majority of 54 percent see either tweaks in store, or no changes at all.

The only part of the law that seems immune to changes is an early provision allowing young adults to stay on their parents' plan until they turn 26. Fifty-one percent said it should remain as passed.

The poll suggests that even the popular ban on insurers denying coverage to people with pre-existing medical conditions could be tweaked. While 39 percent said it should remain as passed, 43 percent wanted to keep it with changes.

Larry Carroll, 64, a church deacon from Cameron, W.Va., said he's strongly opposed to the health care law, but doesn't have high hopes for repeal.

"The federal bureaucracy simply seems to be too strong," he said. "The federal bureaucracy is like an anaconda."

Teresa Stevens, a factory supervisor from Jacksonville, Fla., said her two adult sons shopped for coverage on the health insurance exchanges and found it too expensive.

"There are so many different things they say about (the law) that are not true," she said. "It's not affordable."

A supporter of former Democratic President Bill Clinton, Stevens said the economy has soured for working people under Obama. "Everything is so expensive, not just health care," she said.

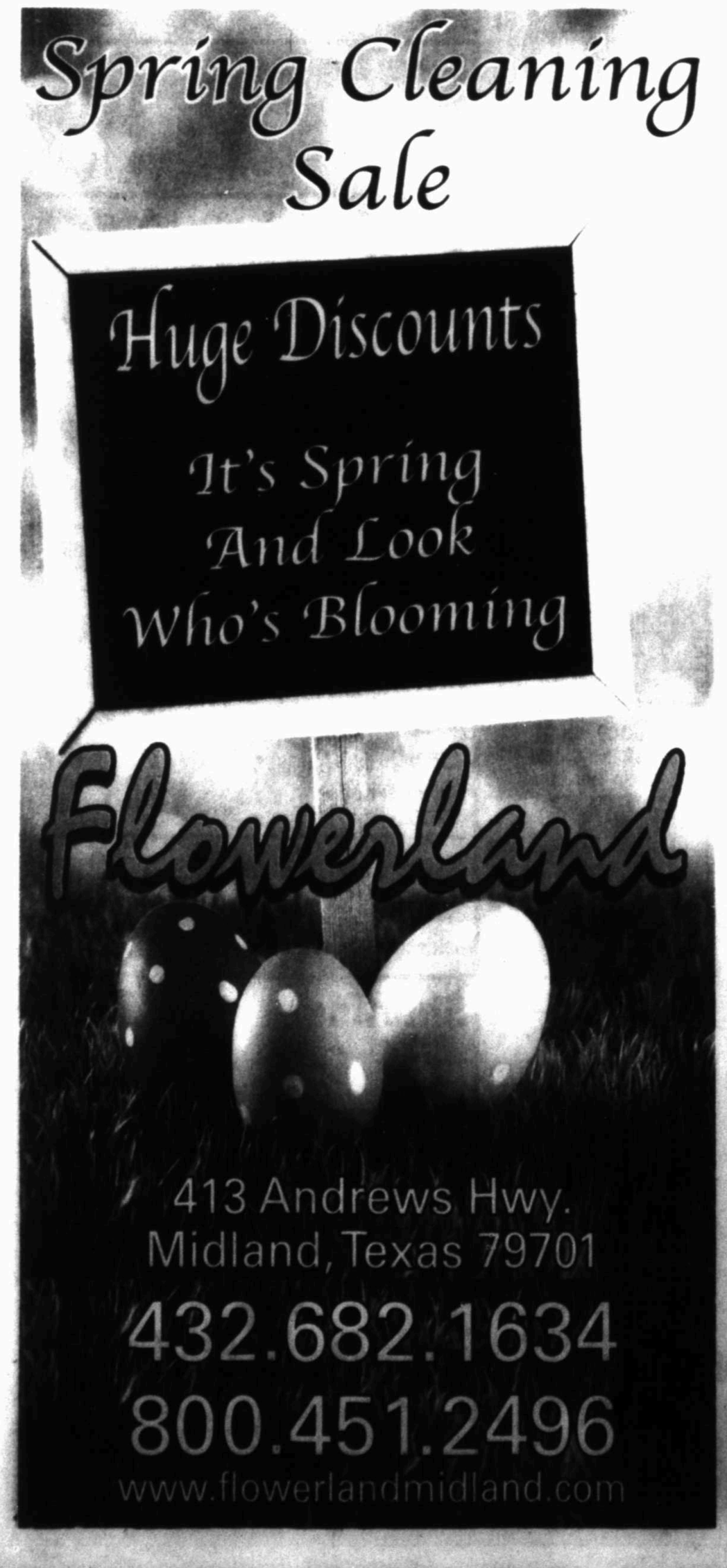
The poll found that much of the slippage for the health care law over the last four years has come from a drop in support, not an increase in opposition.

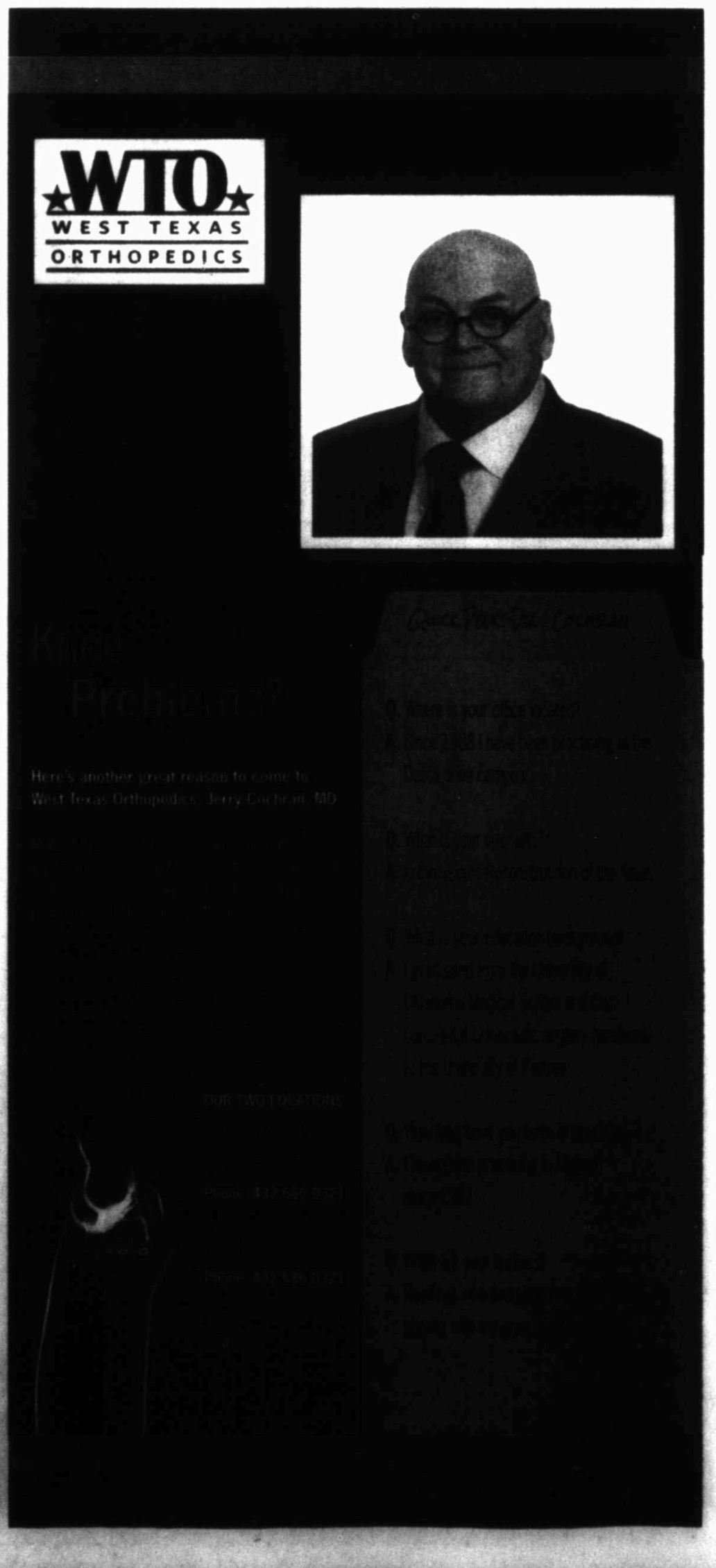
In April of 2010, soon after the law passed, 50 percent of Americans said they were opposed to it, while 39 percent were in favor.

Now, just 26 percent say they are in favor, a drop of 13 percentage points. Forty-three percent say they are opposed, a drop of 7 percentage points since four years ago.

The AP-GfK Poll was conducted March 20-24 using KnowledgePanel, GfK's probability-based online panel designed to be representative of the U.S. population. It involved online interviews with 1,012 adults and has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3.4 percentage points for all respondents.

Respondents were first selected randomly using phone or mail survey methods and were later interviewed online. People selected for KnowledgePanel who didn't otherwise have access to the Internet were provided with the ability to access the Internet at no cost to them.

# Office for iPad is pretty and functional

By Bree Fowler
*Associated Press*

■ REVIEW

NEW YORK — Microsoft Office fans who've spent the past nine months using the software's suite of apps on their tiny smartphone screens are probably thrilled that they can finally create and update documents on the iPad's significantly bigger display surface.

The new version of Office for Apple's tablet is not likely to be a big deal for anyone else. While the apps are beautiful, intuitive and include many familiar functions from the popular desktop version of Office, typing and maneuvering the cursor within documents remains awkward and inefficient.

Microsoft released Office for the iPad on Thursday, nearly four years after Apple launched the groundbreaking tablet. It includes the Word, Excel and PowerPoint apps that will be familiar to both business and everyday people.

Up until now, Office users had to make due with a very basic version designed for smartphones that first launched in June 2013. Competitors such as Apple and Google also created similar software for the iPad, but those apps have very basic features and don't always mesh perfectly with Microsoft documents.

Microsoft's new apps are free, but you need an annual subscription to Microsoft's Office 365, which costs between $70 and $100 depending on the version, to do more than just read documents.

By Friday afternoon, the trio of apps occupied the top three spots on the App Store's real time list of most downloaded free apps.

Honestly, the free versions may meet the needs of a lot of people because displaying documents is one of the most useful functions of the apps.

Pulling up documents is quick and easy, especially if they're stored on a user's OneDrive account, which comes with 20 gigabytes of cloud storage space as part of the Office 365 subscription.

You can shrink or enlarge the type to fit as much or as little of it as you like on your screen. I could fit my entire one-page resume, which is largely written in an eight-point font, on the iPad's screen and still easily read it.

But the iPad Air's super-clear retina display probably helped. And it's worth mentioning that I don't wear glasses. People with impaired vision might have a tougher time. Either way, it's still a big upgrade from looking at the same document on an iPhone screen.

Excel spreadsheets, especially the large ones I viewed, required a little more pinching and stretching to view because of their larger size, but they were still fairly easy to scroll through.

For people who want to take notes or presentation materials into a meeting without dragging along a stack of printouts or a laptop, this is going to be really handy. And if you use OneDrive, it's nice to know you can always have access to your files on a relatively compact and lightweight device.

Unfortunately, other cloud-based services such as Dropbox aren't compatible.

But is it worth the effort to try to create or edit Office documents on an iPad?

Rather than stripping down Office to a super-basic version, like it did with the smartphone software, Microsoft created a version of Office that's customized for the tablet user and includes many of the bells and whistles of the desktop version.

The app is relatively easy to use, and its layout is clean and simple. Word's toolbar at the top lets you do things such as change the typeface of fonts and size, highlight text and customize margins and columns. You can also insert page breaks and pictures from your iPad's camera roll or photo stream. There's also a nice selection of compatible fonts to choose from —even Wingdings, if you like that sort of thing.

In order to cut and paste and make other changes to text in Word, you have to tap twice on the area you want to update, which brings up a set of scrolling bars, much like in other iOS applications. You can move the bars to select text, then cut, copy or paste the selection. It's a little cumbersome and slow, but it's pretty easy to figure out.

Sadly, the iPad version lacks the speedy keyboard shortcuts of Office's Mac and PC versions.

One nice feature is a built-in AutoSave function, which can be disabled if you're worried about data usage. There's also a basic spell checker, with those familiar red and green lines to warn you of potential mistake, but no thesaurus.

Excel functions are also somewhat pared down, but the app displays documents created elsewhere very nicely. All three of the apps come with sets of templates that speed up the creation of basic documents.

On-the-go business types will probably love the functionality of the Office apps and eagerly add their iPads to their existing Office 365 subscriptions. But I'm curious how much even people like that will use the apps. Even if you buy a nice keyboard to use with your iPad, it's much faster to create and edit documents on a laptop.

Meanwhile, typing on an iPad itself should be reserved for quick edits and desperate situations, no matter how nice an app you're using.

# Maria Bartiromo launches Fox Sunday show

By David Bauder
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Maria Bartiromo is seen Feb. 24 in New York during the debut of her "Opening Bell with Maria Bartiromo" program on the Fox Business Network. Bartiromo debuts her one-hour program, "Sunday Morning Futures," at 9 a.m. CDT.

NEW YORK — Political junkies have plenty of choices on Sunday-morning television. That's not the case for those who follow business, a niche that Maria Bartiromo hopes to fill starting this weekend on Fox News Channel.

The former CNBC personality debuts her one-hour program, "Sunday Morning Futures," at 9 a.m. CDT. It will feature interviews with business leaders and round-table discussions, with an emphasis on anticipating the financial stories of the upcoming week.

"You turn on the television Sunday morning and you see all of these politicos talking their talking points, but very rarely do you ever see anybody connecting the dots — it's about the economy, it's about job creation, it's about business," she said. "What I hope to do is get business people into the conversation on Sunday morning."

Original business programming is scarce on Sundays, even on networks that cater to that audience. CNBC and Fox Business Network both air infomercials for most of the daytime hours.

The Sunday Fox News slot was an important enticement for Bartiromo to make the jump to Fox, where she also hosts a two-hour weekday morning show on the business network. For two decades, Bartiromo was one of the main attractions at CNBC, the "Money Honey" whose breathless reporting from the floor of the New York Stock Exchange defined a go-go era.

On its face, the move to Fox Business lowers her visibility because FBN has struggled to establish itself as a competitor. Bartiromo's "Opening Bell" has averaged 54,000 viewers a day since she joined last month, compared with the 191,000 viewers that CNBC gets in the same time slot, the Nielsen company said.

A Sunday show on the Fox News Channel, meanwhile, offers a chance to reach a much larger audience. Fox is averaging 1.1 million viewers each week for the news and medical shows that "Sunday Morning Futures" will be displacing, more than the combined viewership for a CNN show with Fareed Zakaria and an MSNBC program with Melissa Harris-Perry in the same time slot.

Bartiromo said she had considered another deal at CNBC when her contract came due but decided to look around, too. She concluded her job at CNBC wouldn't change much, and she was looking to do some things differently. She was ready for a move.

"They have gotten so chatty, with so much personality, that they left some of the content on the cutting room floor — business information," she said.

Bartiromo said she believes CNBC's fast pace is no longer in tune with the times.

"I just felt this pressure to do five-minute interviews and this pressure to have five people on at once and I just got tired of it," she said. "I felt like I needed something with a little more substance and perspective and felt it was going to be hard to do that where I was because the structure is the structure and the machine keeps on going."

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# Francis uses political skills for divine purposes

■ Like a man who has transformed himself within the church, Francis shows us what humility can do


MICHAEL GERSON
*Washington Post Writers Group*

When a pope meets a president — and the Vicar of Christ gets pulled into political coverage — trivialization ensues. As a reporter, I covered the St. Louis meeting between Pope John Paul II and President Bill Clinton in January 1999, not long after Clinton admitted to "inappropriate, intimate contact" with Monica Lewinsky. There was a frenzy of speculation that, well, what? That the pope would force Clinton to kneel in penance for three days in the snow, like Henry IV? That if they touched hands, it would cause spontaneous spiritual combustion?

The media acted as though a priest had never met an adulterer before, and as though two seasoned world leaders didn't know how to act in public. (What I remember from the event was walking backstage and seeing a handwritten sign on a door, "Restroom for Pope and President Only." Certainly the world's most exclusive washroom.)

In the current round of coverage, we have been treated to comparisons between the approval ratings of President Obama and Pope Francis, and analysis about similarities between the Democratic and the Vatican platforms. Obama supporters emphasize the remarkable overlap of agendas — on everything except life, marriage and religious liberty. In the run-up to the meeting, Sen. Rand Paul, R-Ky., challenged Obama to "explain to the pope" his views on the Hobby Lobby case — while holding a libertarian political philosophy at odds with Catholic social thought on most points.

The whole enterprise of handicapping the papal primary is absurd. Catholic teaching stands in judgment of both ideological sides in American politics, as one would expect of a faith that combines moral traditionalism with a belief in social justice. And, though it is sometimes hard for Americans to comprehend, the church is working on projects and problems — like grace, mercy and original sin — that preceded the American experiment and will outlast it.

That said, popes have been known to employ political skills in divine purposes. And here, Pope Francis seems particularly blessed. In a recent session at the Faith Angle Forum, papal experts John Allen, associate editor at The Boston Globe, and Paul Vallely, author of "Pope Francis: Untying the Knots," described Francis' first year as one of the more consequential in recent church history.

A year ago, the prevailing narrative about the Catholic Church could hardly have been worse — pedophile priests, financial misdeeds, the arrest of the pope's butler, for goodness' sake. The Holy Spirit seemed to be on an extended vacation. Pope Francis' "most important accomplishment so far," said Allen is a "massive change in story" from church in crisis to "humble, people's pope takes world by storm." It is a transformation that could be "taught in business school as a rebranding exercise."

This has been more than public relations, but not devoid of public relations. Francis has a feel for powerful symbols of simplicity, humility and compassion, such as carrying his own suitcase, washing the feet of Muslim prisoners, inviting the homeless to his birthday party, touching the disfigured. In this case, old Coke is pretty old — the example of a wandering preacher who touched lepers and consorted with a variety of sinners and outcasts. As in that ancient example, Francis has combined traditional moral teachings with a scandalous belief that people are ultimately more important than rules.

This is among the least understood aspects of Francis' revolution. "His path to reform is not changing the catechism," says Allen. Instead, it is "creating a zone for the most merciful application of pastoral teaching."

Francis also seems to understand the urgency of his institutional reform task, pressing forward with reforms of the Vatican bank that were begun under Pope Benedict.

But the possibility of institutional change is made real and vivid because Francis demonstrates the possibility of personal change. During his early rise to influence in Argentina, according to Vallely, Jorge Bergoglio was an "unflinching traditionalist" who was "dynamic, strong and very autocratic." Following a humiliating demotion and profound interior crisis, the future pope emerged as "an icon of radical humility." It is not a natural tendency. "Humility is a discipline for him," says Vallely. "It is calculated, but not fake."

Francis speaks of mercy with the passion of a man who has received it, and was never the same again. This virtue — showing mercy to others, and accepting God's pity on our own pitiful hearts — is perhaps the least political of the virtues. Also the most humane.

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CORRECTION: In my column for March 21 on the potential impact of Obamacare during the next election, I wrote that in Iowa, health care premiums were expected to rise by 100 percent. I was unaware that the source I relied on, which called the prediction recent, was actually describing a prediction that was a year old. Rates apparently are now not expected to rise nearly as much.

## OUR VIEW

# Craddick, Seliger provide tough words about school funding

This past week, state Rep. Tom Craddick and state Sen. Kel Seliger offered tough words to those in attendance at the State of Education luncheon, hosted by the Chamber of Commerce.

There's nothing the Legislature can do about Midland ISD's ascension into Chapter 41 status, which means Midland has to send to the state money that will be distributed to other school districts as part of Texas' "Robin Hood" funding system.

It is the reality of today's Midland. Times are good, and other communities will benefit from these good times. And it appears, barring an extraordinary act of the Legislature or a higher power, there's nothing that can be done about it. Both legislators said that repeatedly.

"Highland Park has looked at it three times," Craddick said Wednesday. "They have tried everything known to man, sued everybody in sight, and they can't figure it out. We're just starting it, but they've been going at it for years."

Midland ISD achieved Chapter 41 status only recently. For years, Midland received money from property-wealthy districts such as Highland Park and Andrews. Craddick referenced this change.

"I remember, I got cross with some of the people in Midland. We were going to get money, and now we're giving money, so attitudes have changed with the situations."

We actually were a bit uncomfortable with the number of times the moderator asked Craddick and Seliger about Midland's situation and if there was anything that could be done specifically for Midland. We get the idea of putting the two legislators on the spot, but they repeatedly said there is little that can be done statewide and nothing "special" that can be done for Midland County. The message was delivered loud and clear.

We couldn't help but remember a State of the Economy luncheon when Concho's Tim Leach told the audience not to expect Austin or Washington to come riding into Midland and solve our problems. So for us, now, to keep insisting on a change of the system because Midland's status has changed is not solving a problem. We expect the question and subsequent appeals were made to drive home that point.

But let's move on. This is the reality we live in. Texas voters likely will send to Austin in 2015 one of the more fiscally conservative legislative bodies that we have seen in a long time. The extra money going into any pot for any purpose other than the essentials seems far-fetched.

Again, we have to worry about ourselves, not feel sorry for ourselves. This community's education needs are real, and they will take out-of-the-box solutions, like foundations stepping up to help with a shortage of housing for teachers.

Do we have those type of problem-solvers in Midland? We better. The days of complaining about the status quo and relying on the same pathway to get things done are in the past. Our legislators told us that.


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# Google creates new keys to success

■ Know-it-alls need not apply as the Internet behemoth is looking for those yearning to learn


RUBEN NAVARRETTE
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At the height of the self-esteem movement of the 1970s, when parents and schools were busy trying to convince children they were unique and worthy of praise, the popular assumption was that the people who were most successful in life were confident and sure of themselves.

And if this process went a little too far, producing young people who actually grew up to be arrogant and full of themselves, well, this was certainly preferable to the alternative of being considered weak and insecure.

But what if that philosophy is all wrong? What if — in the Information Age, when there is so much material to digest and the idea of irrefutable truth sometimes seems elusive — the key to being successful is embracing the simple idea that no one has all the answers and we all still have much to learn? What if, going forward, the people who are considered the best and brightest are those who aren't adamant in their opinions and conclusions but rather strive to see problems in new ways, seek more evidence, and consider different points of view?

The so-called millennials could well be aligning themselves with that way of thinking, and, in doing so, this generation of young adults might just re-establish the virtue of humility.

If you don't believe me, take it from the folks who run the company for which many millennials would love to work. Years ago, the sign that you'd made it in the professional world was being employed by General Motors or IBM. Today, it's landing a job at Google, which is increasingly hard to do. People who have applied to work there tell me that there's a whole battery of interviews and re-interviews in a process that seems designed to be impossibly grueling.

Now that the director of personnel and hiring at the Internet behemoth has provided a peek behind the curtain and revealed what traits the mega-successful company looks for in potential hires, the overriding theme is: "Perfectionists, overachievers and know-it-alls need not apply."

On the Google campus in California's Silicon Valley, employees are encouraged to take risks, make mistakes, consider alternate theories, weigh new evidence, recalibrate their thinking and, along the way, learn, learn, learn.

This is what Laszlo Bock, who is known in Google-speak as "head of people operations," told The New York Times recently. The company puts a high premium on "learning ability" and "intellectual humility," Bock said. You have to be willing to not dominate a project or run roughshod over a team, he said. Instead, you should learn from others, own up to your mistakes and lead by relinquishing rather than asserting power.

All this Google wisdom is very interesting, and it makes a good amount of sense. Who can argue with success? It also inspired me to come up with my own list of personal traits and characteristics that are likely to make people mega-successful. This is what I plan to tell my own children when they're old enough to put the advice to use. Hard work, good grades, fancy degrees and professional contacts don't hurt, but you need more if you're going to get to where you want to go in whatever career you choose to pursue. Such as:

■ **The ability to listen.** With so many so eager to have our say, it's getting harder to find people who understand the value of keeping your mouth shut and your ears open.

■ **Common sense.** Often in short supply in business and in politics, it's more important and valuable than sheer intelligence and also has the added benefit of helping cut through clutter and noise.

■ **Integrity.** If you have it, you'll find that people are more willing to deal with you and better able to trust you than if you don't.

■ **Social skills.** The world is full of smart and capable people but many are introverts who don't have the ability to interact with fellow human beings. These skills carry you far.

■ **Perseverance.** If you accomplish everything you set out to do, you're setting your goals too low. Failure is a first-rate education, and being successful means not giving up.

This is not a complete list. There are other attributes that are just as valuable. I should have included those. That was my mistake. And, thank you Google, I'll try to learn from it.

**From the Left | Doonesbury**

**From the Right | Mallard Fillmore**

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

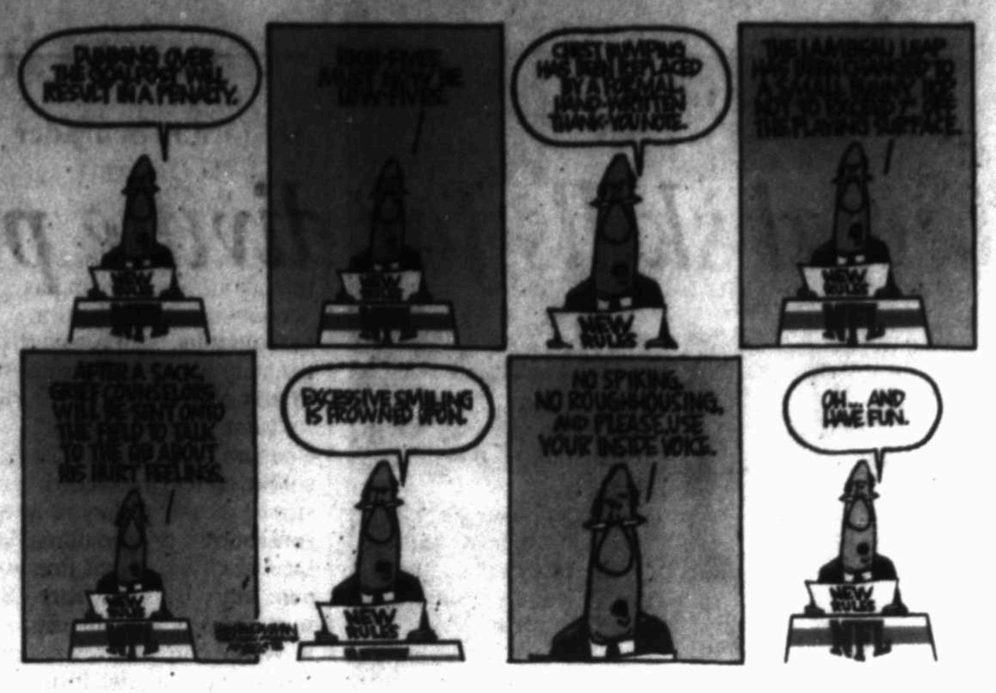
## Putin should avoid making war

Vladimir Putin should avoid making war because it might stretch out and ultimately affect us. In previous conflicts, the U.S. took care of the problem pronto.

Now, however, I think the U.S. will be unable to field an army because most of the draft age men will not be able to pass the physical because of hearing defects caused by exposure to millions of decibels delivered minute by minute by entertainment sources wherever more than two people gather and someone in the group has a musical instrument.

In a war, deaf soldiers have difficulty following orders not given in semaphore and cannot discriminate between incoming and outgoing ordnance. This is awkward. Further, the signal man waving flags at the front line is subject to some risk.

**Bill Heck**




## Nation should be grateful for farmers

Where does your food come from? If you're like many Americans, the answer is the grocery store. And frankly, that disturbs me. The grocery store isn't where food comes from; it's just from where it's distributed. In reality, far too many people are unaware of the role of American agriculture in their daily lives, and what it really takes to have food on their dinner table.

Just a few generations ago, most people were a part of — and had friends or relatives involved with — agriculture. Today, that's no longer the case. Agriculture is responsible for providing the necessities of life — food, fiber, clothing and shelter. And it's about time Americans recognize that contribution.

American farmers are working harder than ever, and it shows. Today, each American farmer feeds more than 144 people. And the need for food produced in the United States is dramatic. Agriculture is this nation's No. 1 export and vitally important in sustaining a healthy economy.

And it's not just the farmer who makes our food possible. The entire agriculture industry, all the way to the grocery store, are vital links in a chain that brings food to every citizen and millions of people abroad.

Honestly, it's easy to take agriculture for granted in America. Our food is readily accessible and safe. For this, we're unbelievably fortunate, but that doesn't mean we don't have an obligation to recognize how it's made possible.

March 25 was National Ag Day, hosted by the Agriculture Council of America. Ag Day is a good time to reflect — and be grateful for — American agriculture.

**Jill Halfmann**

## Restaurant window offers 'shocking' view

Several weeks back my wife and I had the ultimate pleasure of eating the best fried catfish in Midland on Lee Street.

While eating, we looked out the southern picture window of the restaurant to see something very shocking. You have to picture in your mind, in Midland at 11:30 a.m., before you were three cars parked in the parking lot of a bar. Within the cars were four or five males selling dope. They were so busy that it looked like a fast-food drive-through in the parking lot. We saw car after car drive up and one of the occupants of the parked cars would jump out and run to the waiting car.

I am sure in my mind that they were not selling Girl Scout cookies, Fuller brush accessories or giving directions to the Midland Police Department's Narcotics Unit.

It is so sad that good and honest Christian folks like the owners of this little restaurant should be plagued by trash selling drugs across the street.

I am also sure that the bar owner had full knowledge of the illegal actions going on in their parking lot.

Come on, MPD. Let's help the Lee Street locals with this trash. Oh, they had their lookout — a big burly dude sitting in his maroon late-model Mercury or Lincoln.

But if you want yummy and fantastic catfish you have to try out this place.

**Timothy L. Parker**

## Scouts not allowed to help at fundraiser

For a number of years BSA Troop 19 has done the cooking for Ragin' Cajun, the main fundraiser for Special Olympics. The boys do this for community credit hours that they need for advancement in rank. The adults of Troop 19, along with members of the West Side Lions Club, help the older Scouts do the cooking while the younger Scouts run food to the servers. We also man the serving line. Some also volunteer as waiters. With this year's Ragin' Cajun coming up, the members of Troop 19 are no longer allowed to participate because the labor relations board said we were breaking child labor laws.

These boys were volunteering and don't receive any pay. I think this is a gross misuse of government bureaucracy.

**Robert Kahle**

## Wars are too expensive to fight

Recently, Bill Foster wrote a letter that we should lead the world in attacking other countries and save Christians. I guess I lost my direction with the attack on Iraq. In Iraq, being a Muslim country under Saddam Hussein, citizens of Iraq were allowed to be Christians.

Now with Saddam gone after the U.S. attacked Iraq because of WMDs in 2002, the WMDs still have not been found, but the U.S. did succeed in removing a brutal dictator. Now Saddam is gone along with all the Christian and Catholic churches that were blown up and the ministers and priests were killed or executed.

They have a new government, and more citizens have died since the U.S. troops moved out than during the war. They have a new brutal dictator and a strong alliance with Iran. Word on religion in Iraq is "Convert to Islam, leave, or die."

Now, Brother Bill wants us to move troops and defend Ukraine. It's my understanding that there is no religious war in the Ukraine. You can choose which religion you want, and Christians are not being singled out or punished. The war is over control of the country and they are not happy with the elected officials.

Hopefully the U.S. and most citizens have learned from King Henry VIII War is very expensive, and if you cannot afford the conflicts, stay out of the conflicts.

We need to pay down a little on the wars before engaging in another. We still owe for World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Afghanistan and Iraq and the search for WMDs.

This reminds me of a conservation a few months back when a woman said, "We need to defend Israel from all enemies and go to war in their defense, but my sons will not be going in Israel's defense."

Rand Paul, the Republican senator and candidate for president, said on Fox News, "The conflict in the Ukraine is none of our business." He also quoted, "Washington, we can get involved in every tribal conflict in the world."

**Jannell Junker**

## Flashing yellow arrow is confusing

Anyone who regularly goes through the intersection at Midland Drive and Briarwood knows why there are more accidents there than anywhere else in the city. It's not the two left turn lanes. Those are all over town. Try getting rid of that flashing yellow left-turn signal.

I have come closer to being hit there than any other intersection in Midland. There is absolutely no reason for that signal and it is nothing more than a confusion factor.

**Tom Harlan**

## Don't use Bible as a weapon

I am responding to a letter printed Feb. 16 in the Reporter-Telegram by John Bumpers — "US on downward spiral and may never recover."

I must applaud your knowledge of Scripture, but I am not debating Scripture because it has been tampered with by man for thousands of years, so it is not important to me. Allow me to be clear. The Bible or Scripture will not define me, the content of my character will. According to the U.S. Constitution, I can worship whomever I want, the law of the land trumps biblical law, so I am not falling for your Jedi mind trick. The covenant of marriage just may have been established by God, but in the U.S. all you need is a piece of paper to make marriage legal in the eyes of the law, which makes marriage a civil right. No one needs God's permission to be married.

If this country was built on Christian principles, why did our Founding Fathers own slaves? I detected some anger in your letter, so I am sure you would understand my anger about the ignorance by society over something that came natural to me. The Bible does not mention genetics, feelings or emotions — just the do's and don'ts. I will not allow shame to be put on me by bullies who have used the Bible to justify this nation's past wrongs such as slavery and segregation. Just think — before 1967, interracial marriage was illegal. Not everyone is Christian or has the same beliefs. I am positive that I would go to hell for far worse than being gay or loving a man. God did create everyone in his image. So next time, don't use the Bible as a weapon.

**Major A. Houston**

SPEAKING OUT

# *Time to protect consumers in Midland and Odessa*

■ Cities should pass payday, auto title lending reform ordinance

**By Rep. Mike Villarreal and Rep. Tom Craddick**

We would like to congratulate the city of Houston for passing an ordinance to protect its residents from predatory payday and auto title loans, and we urge other cities in the Houston-Galveston area to do the same.

Craddick

Villarreal

Last year the United Way of Greater Houston and Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston successfully joined with faith community leaders and nonprofit assistance programs to urge the city of Houston to pass the local ordinance. These organizations are partnering again this Thursday as Catholic Charities in Houston, 2900 Louisiana St., hosts a 3 p.m. forum where Texas Faith for Fair Lending will hear from clients who have been directly impacted by payday and auto title lending.

Why should other cities in the area pass this ordinance?

Houston, Dallas, San Antonio, Austin and El Paso have all passed local ordinances to regulate payday and auto title loans. But now lenders in big cities are sending customers from the regulated cities to their stores in neighboring communities, so it is crucial that those municipalities pass ordinances to protect consumers, as well. In the Houston area, South Houston already has done so, and Missouri City has taken action as well.

The stories of payday and auto title loan borrowers — like those that will be heard on Thursday at the Texas Faith for Fair Lending forum — illustrate the need for immediate action by municipal officials.

In San Antonio, for example, a nonprofit organization described one of their many clients who found himself in trouble with a payday loan. A gentleman in his 70s, living only on his Social Security check, took out a payday loan to cover an unexpected medical bill.

As often happens, he couldn't pay off the loan and cover his other monthly expenses. Before long he had taken out multiple loans and was skipping meals so he could make loan payments.

Of course we wish he had made a better decision about taking out the loan in the first place. We wish he had negotiated a payment plan for his medical bill, borrowed money from a family member, or chosen one of the other options people turn to in states that don't have payday lenders.

Yes, we need to do a better job of educating Texans about personal finances. But just as we learned during the nation's subprime mortgage crisis in 2008, we also need basic regulations that help borrowers avoid loans they can't afford.

The loans, which often have interest rates over 600 percent, are marketed as emergency two-week or one-month loans backed by the borrower's next paycheck or car title. But the truth is that the business model actually relies on giving customers loans they cannot pay back on time.

In fact, a recent study by the new U.S. Consumer Financial Protection Bureau found that nearly half of all payday loan customers have more than 10 refinances or new loans each year. Each time the customer refinances the loan or takes out a new one to pay off the debt, he or she pays a new round of high fees. In Texas, those fees are typically around $22 per $100 borrowed.

The excessive fees charged by payday and auto title lenders drain millions of dollars from the local economy and exacerbate the burden on already overstretched charitable and social service providers. What's more, dozens of our friends and neighbors have their cars repossessed by auto title lenders, making it difficult for them to even get to work, much less get ahead.

During the last legislative session, industry lobbyists blocked the reform bill we tried to pass. While the Legislature is clearly at a stalemate on this issue, Texas cities are not.

The common sense ordinance we recommend limits payments to 20 percent of the borrower's monthly income, allows no more than three renewals, and establishes other protections to ensure customers aren't caught in a cycle of debt.

To protect more consumers, we encourage all cities in the Houston-Galveston area and throughout the state of Texas to pass a payday and auto title lending reform ordinance.

# *Equal pay allows Davis to call out Abbott*

■ There is more than meets the eye when it comes to equal pay for equal work, but the Democrat has an issue she can use

**KEN HERMAN**
*Cox Newspapers*

Maybe it's just me (I'm told it often is), but I've never liked the "I'm calling you out" phraseology. With apologies to middle schoolers, it's always sounded kind of middle-schoolish to my ear.

It's not a big deal, but I did have that reaction Monday when Democratic gubernatorial candidate, reading from a script as she often does, delighted supporters at a Scholz Garten rally by telling GOP foe Greg Abbott, "This Texas gal is calling you out."

Oooh, a politician "calling out" an opponent.

One more thing before we get to the substance of the call out: How high would the outrage run if Attorney General Abbott called Davis, a respected lawyer/legislator of considerable accomplishment, a "gal?"

The subject of Davis' call out to Abbott is pay equity for women. She spoke in front of a "Texans for Equal Pay" sign, a sloganization of a complex topic. On Tuesday, Davis backers chanted "Equal work, equal pay" in front of Abbott's state office.

"Voters in Texas have a clear choice to make in this election between myself and my opponent Greg Abbott," Davis said Monday, "and nowhere is that choice clearer than on the issue of equal pay for equal work."

She cited the stat that women earn 79 cents for every dollar men earn. It is a real and continuing problem, one not yet solved by the fact that there are courthouse remedies.

Davis noted a San Antonio Express-News report that male employees in Abbott's state agency earn an average of $60,000 while female employees earn an average of $44,000. She also said the paper reported that women "with the same title doing the same work" earn $6,000 less than male employees in Abbott's state shop.

"It's just not right," Davis said.

It's also just not that simple, on either side of the discussion. Abbott spokesman Jerry Strickland said male assistant attorneys general, on average, have almost 19 percent more experience as licensed lawyers than do their female colleagues. They also have almost 11 percent more years of service at the agency.

There are 722 assistant AGs. The average annual salary for the 343 men is $79,464. For the women it's $73,649, a difference that could reflect the difference in experience.

Other things being relatively equal, I'm OK with more money for more experienced employees. It might not be fair for a male employee with less experience to make more than a female colleague with more experience.

I'm also OK with, under legal parameters, letting employers make pay decisions. The trickiest part of "equal pay for equal work" involves defining the second "equal." Some employees do a better job of doing the same job as colleagues. To me, that should equal a bigger paycheck.

The Express-News' analysis also found that in three of seven classifications of assistant AGs, women are paid less though they had, on average, more experience as lawyers and at the agency. (The women's average is only $647 less than the men's average of $122,528.)

I'm against systematic pay discrimination against women. It exists. But I'm for employer discretion on paychecks, with judicial oversight when it strays into the unfair.

That gets us to Abbott's support for Gov. Rick Perry's 2013 veto of Democrat Davis' bill, approved by the GOP-run Legislature, that would have made it simpler for pay discrimination lawsuits to get to state court, which is less expensive and cumbersome than filing them in federal court.

Courthouse access is important. Perry's veto was dumb, as is Abbott's support of it. But opposition to that legislation is not prima facie evidence of hostility to the complex concept of equal pay.

Regardless, it's a great issue for Davis, whose chance of winning depends heavily on moving more female voters into the Dem column. Equal pay is a legitimate issue but, like most things, is not as simple as it sounds.

And, for Davis, it may be a better issue than to highlight abortion rights. (Remember the filibuster, when she talked abortion for hours and hours. Now it seems she doesn't want to bring it up.)

To the extent Davis can make Abbott's opposition to her bill look anti-woman, it's a winning issue for her. And who can be against the sloganized version of equal pay for equal work?

Houston Chronicle file photo

A deputy with the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office walks by marijuana plants at a home in Ukiah, Calif., in 2013.

# Pot growers under fire in drought-stricken Calif.

**By Rob Hotakainen**
*McClatchy-Tribune*

In drought-hit California, marijuana growers are feeling the heat, accused of using too much water for their thirsty plants and of polluting streams and rivers with their pesticides and fertilizers.

State officials say a pot plant sucks up an average of 6 gallons of water per day, worsening a shortage caused by one of the biggest droughts on record. They say the situation is particularly acute along California's North Coast, where the growing pressure to irrigate pot threatens salmon and other fish.

"This industry — and it is an industry — is completely unregulated," said Scott Bauer, a fisheries biologist with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. "What I just hope is that the watersheds don't go up in smoke before we get things regulated and protect our fish and wildlife."

California is also the most popular state for pot producers to grow crops in U.S. forests, accounting for 86 percent of the nearly 1 million plants federal officials seized in 2012.

"Those are lands that you and I own," said U.S. Rep. Mike Thompson, D-Calif. "And when people are growing dope there and guarding their operations with guns and the likes, and sometimes with booby traps, we can't use the land that we own. It happens all over."

The situation is a complicated one in California, which passed the nation's first medical marijuana law in 1996, allowing people to possess and grow pot, even though the federal government still bans the drug.

Medical growers who tend their crops on private property object to getting lumped in with the illegal growers who are trespassing on federal lands.

They said they're a scapegoat in the debate.

"It's really easy to point fingers at a very large cash crop that's completely unregulated. It's one of the main cash crops of the state," said Kristin Nevedal of Garberville, Calif., the founding chairwoman of the Emerald Growers Association. She doesn't grow marijuana herself, but she's the spokeswoman for the group, which has about 400 members.

As part of a drought-fighting plan on Capitol Hill, Thompson and 13 other members of the U.S. House of Representatives from California want to give the Drug Enforcement Administration $3 million to get rid of the large pot operations in public forests.

In 2012, U.S. officials discovered illegal pot plots in 67 national forests in 20 states, including 252 sites in California. Washington and Colorado, the only states that have legalized marijuana for recreational use, ranked second and third, respectively, followed by Idaho, Georgia and Kentucky.

At raided sites, authorities have found widespread damage, including miles of irrigation lines, propane tanks, and rat poison and other toxic chemicals that end up in streams.

California Democratic Rep. John Garamendi, a co-sponsor of the drought bill, said the forest growers were "operating without any environmental awareness."

"They're using the water illegally. They're using the land illegally. They're growing an illegal product," Garamendi said. "And they're probably protecting that product with illegal weapons."

Nevedal and other pot backers said the ultimate solution was for Congress to fully legalize the drug, which she said would eliminate the need for growers to hide in the wilderness and truck in their water.

"When logging was unregulated, we saw horrific environmental consequences," she said. "And it's so easy for the media to pick up stories of grow sites that have been raided or busted. It's really hard to show a contrast of folks who are really doing a good job. What is being put out is the small percentage that are really blowing it."

Ellen Komp, the deputy director of the California chapter of NORML, the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws, said the hydraulic fracturing of natural gas was guzzling up "tremendous amounts of water" in the state and that grape producers used much more water than the marijuana growers did.

"Basically, this is a case of marijuana being blamed for much more than it is responsible for," she said.

For biologist Bauer, who's been using Google Earth images to study the scope of the operations, the link is clear. He said 24 tributaries of the Eel River in Mendocino and Humboldt counties went dry last summer — and all of them had been used to water pot operations.

Bauer said it was common to see marijuana growers driving pickups with water tanks. And he said state officials last summer had chased down reports of trucks with 5,000-gallon tanks siphoning water from already-low rivers.

"That was happening all over the place — and good luck trying to catch them," he said. "We did catch one person doing it. We tried to capture others, but they're pretty wily."

Thompson recalled one brazen theft in Napa Valley two years ago, when a pot grower laid a pipe across two property lines to hook into a neighbor's electrical system to pump water to his crop.

Thompson, along with Democratic Sens. Dianne Feinstein and Barbara Boxer and three other House members from the state, wants the U.S. Sentencing Commission to create new penalties for environmental damage caused by pot cultivation. But he said the popularity of marijuana in some parts of the state had made it difficult to get juries to convict anyone on pot-related charges.

"It's hard, because a lot of times if someone is arrested, it's in an area where a lot of this is prevalent, and it's not always the easiest thing to get a jury of your peers to convict you," Thompson said.

Neither Thompson nor Garamendi said they were ready to fully legalize marijuana, though both acknowledged that it would make it easier to control growers.

"In Washington state and Colorado, the growing of marijuana becomes legal and regulated. That's not the case in California," Garamendi said.

Thompson said he was ready for a debate on the topic. That's likely to happen in 2016 if pot backers succeed in their plans to get legalization on the state ballot.

"If it were legal and regulated, you wouldn't have the growers ruining the countryside," Thompson said.

# Law has barrier to pot tourism in Colorado

**By Jordan Schrader**
*The (Tacoma) News Tribune*

DENVER — A lot of talk about pot tourism has accompanied legalization in Colorado, but visitors to the state face a big hurdle to partaking.

"I don't know where a person who came to smoke marijuana would smoke it, unless they're in somebody's private home," Denver City Council President Mary Beth Susman said. "Hotels are banning it. We've banned even displaying it on the 16th Street Mall (a downtown promenade) and in our parks."

Just like in Washington state, Colorado's legalization does not extend to bars, coffee shops or other public places. And unlike cigarettes, you can't simply step outside to smoke.

Most hotels are not publicly embracing marijuana. A tourist might have better luck finding pot-friendly accommodations on Airbnb or other websites that connect travelers to private home rentals. But a few businesses are tapping into the market.

To find a weed-friendly inn, go west from Denver about 20 miles and drive past jagged cliffs into the town of Morrison, population 430.

The Cliff House Lodge, built by town founder George Morrison in 1864 as his residence, is a short walk from scenic tourist attraction Red Rocks Park. Angela and Daniel Bernhardt have managed the place since 2012 for owners who live in North Carolina.

The husband-and-wife innkeepers weren't broadcasting a pot-friendly stance, Angela Bernhardt said, until a local reporter called hotels asking about pot policies.

She had used a medical marijuana card for years, Bernhardt said, and with everybody else saying no, supply and demand dictated she say yes. She knows that much, she said, from her years spent earning a bachelor's degree in economics.

"They should revoke it if I said no," she said.

The phone has been ringing steadily ever since, she said. "My business has increased over three times."

In the main lodge, a deer head hung on the wall and a display case was stocked with crystals. A gray-and-white cat slept on the back of the couch. The phone rang, and Bernhardt told a customer some details about the Stone Street cottage: apartment sized, with a kitchenette.

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**— Ron Kammerzell,** Department of Revenue

It's the only one of their eight adobe-style cottages in which smoking is allowed inside. But all guests are welcome to smoke on outdoor patios behind privacy fences, perhaps while sitting in a hot tub.

Once the innkeepers clear out a bunch of junk and furniture from behind the lodge and maybe tear down a fence, she said, they will build a more communal spot for people to smoke.

Bernhardt said she also plans to let tour companies bring in groups. One company wants to fully rent out the inn, she said.

Several companies in Denver are offering private tours, ferrying passengers from store to store in a chartered vehicle and letting them smoke en route.

Out-of-state visitors have flooded the retail stores, but advocates, regulators and people in the industry aren't sure people are really coming to Colorado in significant numbers just for that purpose.

Companies hoping to cash in aren't getting any help from Colorado tourism bureaus. None of them is promoting the state as a marijuana destination, said Rich Grant, a spokesman for Visit Denver, which has a one-year moratorium on such marketing.

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This frame grab from video provided by Taco Bell via Taylor Strategy shows Ronald McDonald of Oak Ridge, N.C., in a Taco Bell commercial. The fast-food chain began airing ads Thursday that feature everyday men who happen to have the same name as the McDonald's mascot. The marketing campaign is intended to promote Taco Bell's new breakfast menu.

AP file photo

Ronald McDonald visits with children May 18, 2006, at a McDonald's Restaurant in Roswell, N.M. Taco Bell is using real-life people named Ronald McDonald in a marketing campaign to promote its new breakfast menu, a nod to the famous clown known for his bright red hair and a yellow jumpsuit. The chain hopes to go after McDonald's, the No. 1 player in breakfast

# Taco Bell's ads star real-life Ronald McDonalds

**By Candice Choi**
*Associated Press*

NEW YORK — Taco Bell is name-dropping an unlikely clown to promote its new breakfast menu — Ronald McDonald.

The fast-food chain began airing ads Thursday that feature everyday men who happen to have the same name as the McDonald's mascot known for his bright red hair and yellow jumpsuit. The ads, by Oscar-winning director Errol Morris, are intended to promote Taco Bell's new breakfast menu, which features novelties such as a waffle taco.

The chain, owned by Yum Brands Inc. of Louisville, Ky., is looking to boost sales by opening most of its roughly 6,000 U.S. stores a few hours earlier at 7 a.m. starting this week.

But Taco Bell has a long way to go to catch up with McDonald's, the No. 1 player in breakfast with 31 percent of the category, according to market researcher Technomic. Egg McMuffins and other items have been consistent sellers for McDonald's over the years, with breakfast accounting for about 20 percent of the company's U.S. sales.

By comparison, a Yum executive has said breakfast accounted for just 4 percent of sales when it was being tested at Taco Bell stores in select markets. That was before national marketing began, however, and Taco Bell President Brian Niccol said in a phone interview that the goal was to get the figure to a level "much greater than that."

Niccol concedes that the real-life Ronald McDonalds were paid for their appearances in the ads, but he insists their enthusiastic reactions to the food were real.

"All of them resoundingly loved the food," he said.

Taco Bell's ad agency, Deutsch LA, found around 400 men and women with the name Ronald McDonald, Ronnie McDonald or some variation, Niccol said.

A few dozen were selected to represent different regions around the country including Bossier City, La.; Chicago; Dubuque, Iowa; Kane, Pa.; and Worcester, Ma.

The men show their approval of the food with comments like, "It's not messy," and, "Mmm, wow," and, "Mmm, real good," and, "It has everything I like."

In case it wasn't clear, tiny print at the end of the ad notes that, "These Ronald McDonalds are not affiliated with McDonald's Corporation and were individually selected as paid endorsers of Taco Bell Breakfast."

"We like to do things with a wink and smile," Niccol said. "We have a sense of humor."

As for Ronald McDonald the fast-food clown, the character was first played by Willard Scott in 1963. He was initially depicted as a character that magically pulled hamburgers out of his belt. But the mascot eventually became a target of critics who say McDonald's uses him to market to kids.

A representative for McDonald's Corp. did not respond to a request for comment.

## Ronald McDonald: A brief history

Ronald McDonald evidently hasn't lost his magic.

Taco Bell is using real-life people named Ronald McDonald in a marketing campaign to promote its new breakfast menu, a nod to the famous clown known for his bright red hair and a yellow jumpsuit. The chain is hoping to go after McDonald's, the No. 1 player in breakfast.

Though Ronald has faded to the background in McDonald's own advertising, Taco Bell's appropriation of the name is a testament to the spokesclown's lingering cultural power.

Since his debut in 1963, the smiling clown has helped give McDonald's a huge advantage among kids. The clown turns up in countless aspects of pop culture. In the FX TV show "It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia," the character known as Mac is mocked by his friends after they discover his full name is Ronald McDonald at a high school reunion. Last year, the Wall Street Journal even gave the clown one of its familiar black-and-white portraits to accompany a story.

Here are a few facts about Ronald McDonald:

■ Ronald McDonald was first played by Willard Scott in an ad in the Washington, D.C., market. The character magically pulled hamburgers out of his belt, while wearing a nose made out a McDonald's cup. His hat was a tray holding a Styrofoam burger, a bag of fries and a milkshake.

■ Before Ronald McDonald became the national mascot for McDonald's, the company's ad agency considered changing him into a cowboy because of the popularity of TV westerns, according to the book "McDonald's: Behind the Arches." Others said he should be made into a spaceman as a nod to the country's budding space program.

■ For the first national ads, Scott was dropped because the agency thought he was too heavy to play the part of an "extremely active" Ronald, according to the book.

"It was the first time I was really screwed by the mass media," the book quotes Scott as saying.

■ One of the most popular first national ads featuring Ronald McDonald showed him landing at a restaurant on a flying saucer shaped like a hamburger.

■ In Japan, Ronald McDonald is known as Donald McDonald. A local businessman who helped open the first McDonald's in the country decided that it would be easier to pronounce for the Japanese, according to "McDonald's: Behind the Arches."

■ McDonald's doesn't like to acknowledge that Ronald McDonald isn't real. The company, based in Oak Brook, Ill., wouldn't answer when asked repeatedly by the AP in 2011 how many actors it uses to portray the clown. "There's only one Ronald," an executive said.

■ McDonald's executives bristle at criticism of their mascot. At an annual meeting in 2011, a shareholder expressed disappointment that Ronald wasn't present as the company faced criticism over use of the clown in marketing to children.

In response, then-CEO Jim Skinner said: "Ronald hasn't been here because he's out in the field busy doing work and fighting through the protesters."

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# $1 trillion student loan debt widens US wealth gap

By Carolyn Thompson
*Associated Press*

Every month that Gregory Zbylut pays $1,300 toward his law school loans is another month of not qualifying for a decent mortgage.

Every payment toward their student loans is $900 Dr. Nida Degesys and her husband aren't putting in their retirement savings account.

They believe they'll eventually climb from debt and begin using their earnings to build assets rather than fill holes. But, like the roughly 37 million others in the U.S. saddled with $1 trillion in student debt, they may never catch up with wealthy peers who began life after college free from the burden.

The disparity, experts said, is contributing to the widening of the gap between rich and everyone else in the country.

"If you graduate with a B.A. or doctorate and you get the same job at the same place, you make the same amount of money," said William Elliott III, director of the Assets and Education Initiative at the University of Kansas. "But that money will actually mean less to you in the sense of accumulating assets in the long term."

Graduates who can immediately begin building equity in housing or stocks and bonds get more time to see their investments grow, while indebted graduates spend years paying principal and interest on loans. The standard student loan repayment schedule is 10 years but can be much longer.

The median 2009 net worth for a household without outstanding student debt was $117,700, nearly three times the $42,800 net worth in a household with outstanding student debt, according to a report co-written by Elliott last November.

About 40 percent of households led by someone 35 or younger have student loan debt, a 2012 Pew Research Center analysis of government data found.

Allen Aston is one of the lucky ones, having landed a full academic and financial-need scholarship at Ohio State University. The 22-year-old software engineer from Columbus estimates it let him avoid about $100,000 in debt.

Without loans to repay, Aston is already contributing 6 percent of his salary to a retirement fund that is matched in part by his employer and doesn't have the same financial concerns his friends do.

"I'm making the same money as them, but they have student loans they're paying back that I don't. So, it definitely seems noticeable," he said.

At the other end of the spectrum is Zbylut, an accountant-turned-attorney in Glendale, Calif. He's been chipping away at nearly $160,000 in student debt since graduating in 2005 from law school at Loyola University in Chicago. Now 48, the tax attorney estimates he could have $150,000 to $200,000 in a 401(k) had the money he's paid toward loans gone there.

"I'm sitting here in traffic. I've got a Mercedes behind me and an Audi in front of me and I'm thinking, 'What did they do that I didn't do?'" Zbylut said by cellphone from his Chevrolet. He's been turned down twice for the type of mortgage he needs to buy a home big enough for himself, the fiancee he would have married already if not for his debts and her 10-year-old son.

"I have more education and more degrees than my father, as does she than her parents, and yet our parents are better off than we are. What's wrong with this picture?" he said.

Student debt is the only kind of household debt that rose through the Great Recession and now totals more than either credit card or auto loan debt, according to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. Both the number of borrowers and amount borrowed ballooned by 70 percent from 2004 to 2012.

Of the nearly 20 million Americans who attend college each year, about 12 million borrow, according to the Almanac of Higher Education. Estimates show that the average four-year graduate accumulates $26,000 to $29,000 in loans, and some leave college with six figures worth of debt.

The increases have been driven in part by rising tuition, resulting from reduced state funding and costlier campus facilities and amenities. Compounding the problem has been a trend toward merit-based, rather than need-based, grants as institutions seek to attract the higher-achieving students who will boost their standings.

"Because there's a strong correlation in this country between things like SAT scores or ACT scores and wealth or income, the (grant) money ends up going disproportionately to students from wealthier families" who tend to perform better on those tests, said Donald Heller, dean of the Michigan State University College of Education.

Those factors, along with stagnating family incomes and declining savings, have made student loans a much bigger part of funding higher education, Elliott said.

Harvard Business School's Michael Norton wonders whether greater public awareness of the widening wealth gap in the United States would hasten policy change. Norton conducted a 2011 survey that found that people tend to think wealth is more equally distributed than it is.

But with elected officials from President Barack Obama on down now talking about the wealth gap as an urgent public problem, a more complete picture seems to be emerging, he said.

"Both parties are now saying, perhaps inequality has gotten to the point where it's not fair when people don't have a chance to rise, and we need to do something about it," Norton said.

Targeting the soaring cost of higher education, Obama in August proposed the most sweeping changes to the federal student aid program in decades. His plan would link federal money to new college ratings and reward schools if they help low-income students, keep costs low and have large numbers of students earn degrees.

Lawmakers in Congress also are debating how to address the issue, including proposals to allow graduates with high-interest loans to refinance at lower rates.

The American Medical Student Association supports expanding the National Health Services Corps, which provides loan forgiveness in exchange for service in underserved areas.

Nida Degesys, AMSA's president, graduated in May 2013 from Northeast Ohio Medical University with about $180,000 in loans. The amount has already swelled with interest to about $220,000.

"There were times where this would make me stay up at night," Degesys said. "The principal alone is a problem, but the interest is staggering."

Yet, as costly as medical school was, Degesys sees it as an investment in herself and her career, one she thinks will pay off with a higher earning potential.

College degrees can pay off. College graduates ages 25 to 32 working full time earn $45,500, about $17,500 more than their peers with just a high school diploma, according to a Pew Research Center analysis of census data.

Elliott said the country needs to re-think college financing options to bring debt down and graduation rates up.

"We can't let debt hinder a whole generation of people from beginning to accumulate wealth soon after graduating college," he said.

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Nida Degesys, national president of the American Medical Student Association, poses for photos Wednesday in her office in Sterling, Va. Degesys graduated in May 2013 from Northeast Ohio Medical University with about $180,000 in loans. The amount has already swelled with interest to about $220,000. Yet, as costly as medical school was, Degesys sees it as an investment in herself and her career, one she thinks will pay off with a higher earning potential.

## Some proposals

President Barack Obama and lawmakers in Congress are debating how to address the issue of rising student loan debt, something experts say is contributing to the widening gap between the rich and everyone else. Some of the proposals:

- Obama has proposed extending the "pay-as-you-earn" repayment plan to all student borrowers. The program limits student loan payments based on income but is currently only available to borrowers who took out loans after October 2007.
- Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., has proposed allowing people with high-interest student loans to refinance at today's 3.86 percent rate and would pay for it by raising taxes on the wealthiest Americans.
- Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand, D-N.Y., introduced the Federal Student Loan Refinancing Act in May to allow borrowers that received loans under the Direct Loan or Federal Family Education Loan program after July 1, 2006, to consolidate them into one with an interest rate of 4 percent or less. Instead of paying more than $47,600 over the life of a 20-year, $26,000 loan, the borrower would pay $37,800.
- Rep. Frederica Wilson, D-Fla., introduced the Student Loan Borrowers' Bill of Rights Act, which would remove educational loans from the list of debts that can't be discharged in bankruptcy.
- The Student Right to Know Before You Go Act of 2013, with Republican and Democratic sponsors, require colleges to report data to offer students cost-benefit analyses comparing how much they can expect to earn in a particular field with how much they will owe after earning a degree in a given subject.
- Sen. Marco Rubio, R-Fla., has called for "student investment plans." Private investment firms would cover tuition costs that could be repaid later as a fixed percentage of a graduate's income for a set number of years, regardless of whether that amount covers the total debt. Rubio said that he still owed more than $100,000 in student loans when he became a senator in 2011. His office said he repaid his student loans in December 2012 with proceeds from his autobiography.

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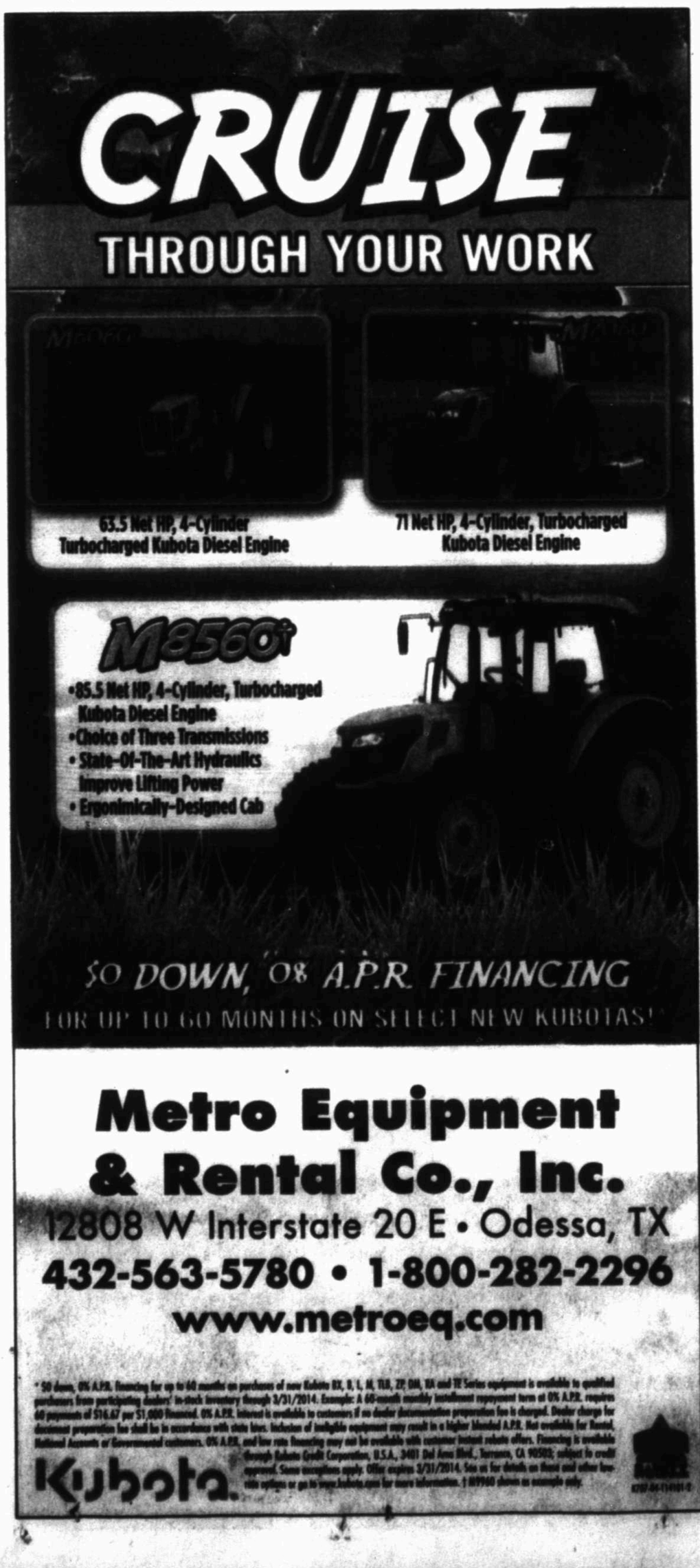

# Richard Galle to retire from Sibley Nature Center

## *Friends reflect on West Texas adventurer's many lives and numerous exploits*


By Rachael Gleason
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BIG BEND NATIONAL PARK — Sitting patiently in a pickup under a blanket of big, bright stars, adventurer Richard Galle and author Patrick Dearen waited for Permian Basin Outing Club members to arrive and make the two-mile hike into Dog Canyon.

The Chihuahuan Desert offered a rare but welcome reprieve that weekend in late January as temperatures rose and winds stood still.

Miles from the nearest road — and a considerable distance from any real civilization — many members traded the comfort of their tents for earth pillows and constellation blankets.

Galle was a trusted guide that night and has been for decades. The Midlander first visited Big Bend National Park as a young boy and later became a park ranger, even skipping orientation after proving his intimate knowledge of the Big Bend country.

"They asked, 'How well do you know this park?'" he said. "Like the back of my hand."

The Permian Basin Outing Club, which he founded in 1974, became a way to share his passion for the outdoors. More than 7,000 members have explored West Texas and New Mexico parks since then, with Galle as a guide on backpacking and rappelling trips.

But Big Bend — that's his first love, and Galle looked at home in the West Texas wild.

"Anything of importance happened to me at Big Bend National Park," he said.

Galle retires Monday as director of operations of the Sibley Nature Center. Before that, he served as executive director of the American Red Cross' local chapter, YMCAs in Midland and Plainview and Volunteer Center of Lubbock.

After Jessica McClure Morales — better known as "Baby Jessica" — fell down a water well 26 years ago, Galle was tapped for the vertical rescue team because of his expert rappelling skills. He designed a "baby back board" and test harness for her retrieval.

"I felt very helpless that I could not be able to see her and get to her personally," Galle said in a previous Reporter-Telegram article.

Always taking his job seriously, Galle said he enjoyed the "warm


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Richard Galle, pictured here Wednesday, will retire on Monday after a lifetime of living his passion for the outdoors.

# RAIDER ATMOSPHERE

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From left, Texas Tech alums Marvin Moore, Glen Thomason and Chip Wilson enjoy the familial atmosphere during Saturday's Texas Tech spring practice game at Grande Communications Stadium. See more photos on Page 7B.

## Texas Tech tailgaters unite for brotherhood


By Tyler White
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Texas Tech alumnus Glen Thomason compared the tailgate parties preceding Saturday's spring practice game at Grande Communications Stadium to a lifeboat in the middle of nowhere.

That lifeboat sported red and black banners for Red Raider pride, which was in abundance as hundreds of people gathered for food, festivities and football.

Thomason, along with fellow alums Marvin Moore and Chip Wilson, were thrilled to be able to see what this season's team will look like.

Thomason said the camaraderie of other Tech alums created a welcoming atmosphere.

"We like to know that there's still a civilization left (out here)," he said.

Stephanie Park, a Texas Tech MBA graduate, said the tailgating creates one big happy family among strangers.

That experience centered mainly on fans sharing their love of barbecue. Large groups gathered around trailer-bound smokers and RVs and visited while eating slick pieces of brisket and pulled pork.

Pete Bryant served large trays of food to friends and strangers. He arrived at 3 p.m. Friday to have ample time to smoke trays of meat using his preferred method: low and slow.

He may not have attended Texas Tech, but his enthusiasm for the Lubbock university's football team was on par with the seasoned tailgaters.

"I'm amazed at the turnout," he said. "This is West Texas at its best."

The spring scrimmage — played in Midland for the second consecutive year — gave residents and visitors the opportunity to rekindle old friendships affected by time and distance.

Park, a former member of Tech's Pom Squad, said the highlight was getting to reunite with former classmates and squadmates.

## *Cruising with Britons brings unexpected challenges*

**TERRY WILLIAMSON**
*Real life columnist*

Cruising different parts of the world can bring exciting rewards and some unexpected challenges.

For instance, the wife and I recently celebrated our retirement with a 31-day cruise aboard the Diamond Princess to New Zealand, Tasmania, Australia, Thailand, Vietnam and Singapore.

We saw some amazing sights and wonderful animals. The wife got hoisted like a twig by an elephant in Thailand. She also searched for a tanzanite ring in Tasmania only to find out tanzanite comes from Tanzania in Africa, not Tasmania.

That's an easy mistake, I guess, but it has her paying much more attention to geography these days. And I never understood why she thought she could afford to purchase a gem as rare as Tanzanite. Well, looking never hurt anything.

We were quite shocked at the beginning of our cruise that we would be dining every night with three couples from Great Britain. We heard there were other Americans on this cruise, but we didn't meet any of them except a couple from Austin.

We spent most of our time with people from the UK, Australia and the Kiwis from New Zealand. That's three different nationalities, but they are alike. They drink English tea in the morning, afternoon and at dinner and they all drive on the left side of the road.

Our trip started in Auckland, New Zealand, where we took a bus from the airport to a downtown hotel where we waited to board the ship. The bus made a wild turn out of the airport onto a wide boulevard and into the left lane. I almost had a heart attack before I realized they actually drive on the left side of the road in New Zealand.


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**RYDER WARREN**
*MISD Superintendent*

## *Work continues to make sure students become fluent in English*

With only two more months of school left, please be proud of how hard our kids and the schools' staff are working. I have been very pleased and impressed with the efforts I've seen this year. I want to discuss two very important issues in this week's article, and both issues have implications for our future. The first issue regards the recent "upgrading" of the district's accreditation rating from the state of Texas, and the second issue deals with upcoming decisions about our elementary school attendance boundaries.

As I stated, I have been very proud of the efforts I've been seeing on our campuses. In many past articles, I have tried to lay out our academic plans to improve our school district, and we received some very positive news in regards to one aspect of these plans of excellence. The Texas Education Agency assigns accreditation ratings every year to all Texas school districts. The four levels of accreditation are accredited, accredited-warned, accredited-probation, and not accredited-revoked. Last March, Midland ISD was officially rated as accredited-warned. This warning came from the district's failure to properly serve our English language learners.

Last week, I was very pleased to send a press release to our Midland area media teams informing them that due to the efforts of hundreds of students, teachers, school leaders, and parents, Midland ISD had regained full accreditation from TEA, and the district was now rated as accredited.

The first year I came to Midland, in the summer of 2010, the MISD board of trustees had mandated excellence in our academic programs, especially in the program that had historically shown little progress — the MISD Bilingual and English as a Second Language Program. Over these last few years, we have targeted this program, we have worked very hard to train our teachers and leaders on how to reach our children who do not have full command of the English language, and we are now seeing real progress.

As I've stated before in my articles, most of the Texas school accountability system is based on mandated test scores. With this accreditation rating change, we are seeing those scores rise, but we are still not satisfied. A more important issue for us, even more important to us than test scores, is truly educating kids to


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# Obituaries

## Charles A. Dean

Charles A. Dean, "Charlie," 87, passed peacefully in his sleep after an extended illness at the Mirage Inn Senior Care and Living Center in Rancho Mirage, California on the morning of Friday, March 21, 2014.

He was an oil man, rancher, cowboy and friend who lived a long and fulfilling life, bringing laughter and love to all who knew him.

Born July 27, 1926 in Jones County Texas, Charlie was the youngest of the six children of Stacie Lea Arnett Dean and Alvin Dean. He worked alongside his father, planting and growing cotton during the Great Depression. It was the challenging experiences of his youth that inspired him to strike out into the world.

Charlie attended high school in Anson, Texas. He served in the U.S. Navy during and immediately after World War II and owned a jewelry and watch repair business in Andrews, Texas, in the early 1950's. Unfortunately, the store burned down, wiping him out financially. He turned next to real estate and then to the oil business.

He was employed by Rockwell Manufacturing in El Paso in the early 1960s and transferred to the Midland/Odessa area in 1967 when he became the manager of their Odessa office.

On May 25, 1968, he married Betty Moss Shirky and later adopted her three children from a previous marriage.

Betty and Charlie bought a ranch in De Baca County, New Mexico in the early 1970's and moved to nearby Roswell in 1976. In 1979, Charlie bought Thunderbird Oil, a retail gasoline business, and they relocated to El Paso, Texas, where they remained until 1983, at which time they briefly returned to Midland.

During the next several years, they divided their time between New Mexico and West Texas, living at the ranch for many years. They sold the Double V ranch in 1998, returning to Midland on a more permanent basis. They were delighted to be able to spend more time with their Texas friends, but saddened to leave those in New Mexico.

Those who knew him best remember Charlie as a kind but strong man, who had a way of filling a room with his thundering voice, his roaring laughter, and his larger than life presence. He was always quick to help a friend but he was equally as quick to tease a friend in good-natured jest.

Like a true cowboy, he was a master story teller and captivated many a dinner audience with tales ranging from heartbreaking to hilarious. These stories delighted his children and grandchildren, especially during the holidays when they all had occasion to be together. Charlie would sometimes exaggerate a few of his details for dramatic or comedic effect, but nobody ever minded. He once admitted, "Any story worth telling is worth embellishing."

Charlie was a member of the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Midland, Texas, as well as St. Andrews Episcopal Church in Roswell, New Mexico, and St. John's Episcopal Church in Ft. Sumner, New Mexico.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Betty Dean, as well as their three children; Lucy Yancy, Thomas Dean, Andy Dean and their families. The Thomas Dean Family includes wife, Carolee, and children; Kristen, Jon, and Tommye. The Andy Dean family includes wife Debbi, and children; Amanda, Faith, Christina, and Drew, as well as Tye and his son Logan.

He was like a grandfather to Amanda Dean's four little sisters; Hillary, Ashley, Vada, and McKayla Landreth.

Charlie was preceded in death by his parents as well as his five siblings; Thelbert, Gracye, Ava Lougenia, and Stacye.

The Dean family would like to thank the staff at the Mirage Inn for their excellent care of Charlie during his last days.

Memorials may be made to the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity or the charity of your choice. A memorial service will be held at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 1412 West Illinois Ave, Midland, Texas 79701 on Friday, April 4 at 2:00 p.m.

Honorary Pallbearers include, Al Boudreaux, Scot Northern, Charlie Perry, Cliff Wilderspin, Steve Lindgren, David Essex, William Moss, Kelly Cox, Peter Carter, Michael Brown, Rich Anderson, Stuart Shaner, Sid Linley, Ken Dean, Harold Hensley, Herschel O' Kelly, Robert Bledsoe, Joe Liberty, Neil Griffin, Richard Gibson, Ted Collins, Bert Ladd, Dick Gillham, and Bobby Turner.

## Mary Janette Blocker Burdine

Mary Janette Blocker Burdine, 68, of Midland, Has gone on to Heaven to be with her Lord and Savior and reunite with her Loved ones before her on Thursday, March 27, 2014 in Midland. The family will receive friends on Sunday, March 30, 2014 from 5:00-7:00PM at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held on Monday, March 31, 2014 at 3:00PM at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel. Interment will follow at Resthaven Cemetery.

Janette was born on November 8, 1945 to Mary and James Blocker. She met and Married William Burdine in 1983 They lived in Yucaipa California for many years. During the years she enjoyed her work with Dr. Dombrowski. Her favorite times was spent with her Grandkids watching movies, working puzzles, gold prospecting and going to Church.

She is survived by her husband, William "Bill" Burdine; daughter, Lynette and husband, Tom Paoli; son, Gary and wife, Kim Middaugh; son, Shawn and wife Christina Burdine; and daughter, Melody and husband, Kevin DuPay; brother, James F. and wife, Dalynn Blocker; 11 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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

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Questions about death notices or online Guest Books?
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## Ruby Ballard

Ruby Oleta Ballard, age 82, of Midland, passed from this life on Saturday, March 29, 2014 at her home. She was born in Slaton, TX on October 27, 1931 to the late Thomas Taylor Hudgins and Della Oleta (Driver) Hudgins. She was a homemaker, the backbone of her family.

Ruby was a supporter of the Midland rural fire department. She was an excellent seamstress, artist and creative spirit, who enjoyed being outside in her garden or working in her yard. Home was her domain and her motto was, "This is my house, and I'll do as I darn well please." However, she always put others before herself, giving selflessly and doing anything for anyone. The mother of seven children, Ruby loved them all with all of her heart. Her mother's intuition always told her when she was needed and she never let her family go without. An angel on earth, she touched the hearts of all who met her.

Those left to cherish her memory are her sons: Tony Ballard of Midland and Monty Ballard of Wichita Falls, Texas; daughters: Sharon Meinecke, Connie Marlow, and Jenny Neff, all of Midland and Marilyn Howard of Odessa, Texas; sister: Eunice Nance of Beach Bluff, TN; ten grandchildren: Natalie Eubanks, Lance Howard, Michael Ballard, Melissa Moss, Dalton Ballard, Dakota Ballard, Heath Marlow, Cami Marlow, Brandi Minefee, and Stephanie Hamilton; and seven great-grandchildren.

Ruby had special friends that she considered family as well as her surviving family members. The family would like to thank Cecilia Towns and family, Phillip Mammen, Kevin Leader, Kyle Helm, Lezah Marrs, Dr. Terry Beck, and Dr. John Bray, for their continued support and friendship.

In addition to her parents, one son: Joe Ballard, precedes her in death.

Memorial services will be held early this coming week. In lieu of flowers, your donation would be appreciated to Hospice of Midland, 911 W. Texas, Midland, TX 79701.

## Wanda Franke

Wanda Lee Terry Franke, 89 of Midland, TX passed away on Tuesday evening, March 25, 2014 in Santa Fe, NM. She was born September 18, 1924 to Eula Mae Slonaker and John Guy Terry in Plainview, TX. Wanda graduated from Pascal High School in Fort Worth, TX and Texas Tech University with a degree in Home Economics. She married Edward Denis Franke in Brownfield, TX on August 15, 1953.

Teaching in the local schools, she was department head of the Home Economics Department in Brownfield, TX. Continuing her career in Midland she taught social studies and home economics for almost thirty years before she retired with MISD. Besides being well remembered as a teacher, she was an upholsterer, potter, homemaker, painter, genealogist, and jeweler. She was a past member of Eastern Star and Daughters of the American Revolution.

She is preceded in death by parents and husband. She is survived by her brother John Guy Terry Jr. and wife Manda of Tow, TX; daughter Elizabeth Ann Franke Longoria, husband Abel and their children Michael and Derick of Keller, TX; son Robin Edward Elliott Franke, wife Monica and their children Natalie, Caroline, and Conor of Santa Fe, NM; son Jon Albert Franke, wife Rebecca and children Jon, Joshua, and Jenna of Pennsylvania and Florida.

Family will be receiving friends on Tuesday, April 1, 2014 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home. A graveside service is set for Wednesday, April 2, 2014 at 2:00 pm at Resthaven Memorial Park.

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

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## Penny LaDora Lee

Penny LaDora Lee passed away peacefully after a 1 year battle with cancer, on Wednesday, March 26, 2014.

A Memorial Celebration service will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, March 31st at the Doeppenschmidt Funeral Home in New Braunfels, Texas. She will be buried at Hill Country Memorial Gardens.

Penny was born in Cedartown, Georgia on February 23, 1953 to Harold and Beverly Tritt Wilkerson. She grew up in the Charlotte, NC area and eventually moved to the Texas area where she raised her children.

Penny is well-known for her love of life and caring touch for others. Her compassion to love everyone unconditionally, personified a Christ-like example of the Godly woman she was.

In her working days, she loved marketing, advertising, and college admissions to name a few; but she always seemed to be a counselor to all her co-workers.

As a homemaker, she enjoyed many outdoor activities including flowers, walks in the park, biking and the favorite...her love for absorbing vitamin D by the pool, or at the beach. She was a meticulous homemaker and wonderful cook. Many hours of good times were shared in the kitchen around her table while feasting on her homemade goodies, or sitting on her porch with a specially prepared cup of coffee or cocoa.

Her big brown eyes, beautiful smile and contagious laughter were like sunshine on a rainy day and would brighten any room she entered. People were drawn to her magnetic warmth and love as she carefully made each of us feel so special. She loved to attend parties and celebrations of any type, live concerts and family gatherings, all types of music, dancing, watching movies and spontaneous weekend trips with her husband. She could outeat almost any man under the table, yet her cutesy Betty-Boop petite-ness was an irresistible charm. A splash of hot-pink was her trademark color, and a visit to Starbucks for a skinny Chai Tea Latte would make her day complete!

With the faith of a Giant, she weathered many storms in life almost unaware of dangers she was wading through. As a prayer warrior, family and friends knew that if we were on "her list", she would earnestly and sincerely pray without ceasing.

Penny is preceded in death by her father, Harold Franklin Wilkerson. She is survived by: husband, Doug Lee; Mom & stepfather, Beverly Tritt Stough and Glenn Stough of Concord, NC; sister, Bonita Wilkerson Pickett of Concord,NC; 2 children: son, Jason Raney & wife Kelly; daughter, Shelly Cardella & husband, Vinny; 1 stepdaughter, Kayla Nirgenau & husband, Dave; 8 grand and step-grandchildren: Hayden Murphey & husband Terry Lee; Sterling Melton; Brody, Gage & Maverick Raney; Aftyne Icenogle; Vinny Cardella, III, and Audrie Lee: and 1 great-grandchild, Kannon Murphey.

Honorary pallbearers are: Brody, Gage & Maverick Raney; Sterling Melton; Terry Lee Murphey; Mitch Lee; and Dave Nirgenau.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the following are suggested: Faith Presbyterian Hospice Caring Fund (payable to: Presbyterian Communities & Services Foundation) 4350 Sigma Road, Suite 400 Dallas, Texas 75244
Please note: in honor of Penny Lee or: Grace Fellowship Church (Mark Bristow Ministry) 1414 E. University Odessa, Texas 79762.

We thank you for the outpouring of loving prayers and concerns already expressed and will cherish them along with the memories of Penny....until we meet again in Heaven.

# Death Notices

## Anthony "Ant" Herrera

Anthony "Ant" Herrera, 30, of Big Spring, died Saturday March 22, 2014 in Ward County, Texas. Funeral Services were at 1:00 PM Saturday, March 29, 2014, at First Baptist Church of Big Spring with burial following at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born to Diane and George Herrera on February 28, 1984 in Big Spring.

He is survived by his wife Veronica Marie Herrera; two sisters: Krystal Woodruff and and Kimberly Ybarra; brothers: Greg Smith, Chris Romero; his father: George Herrera.

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

## David L. Hodnett

David L. Hodnett, 78, died Friday, March 28, 2014. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM Monday, March 31, 2014, at the Nalley Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM Sunday at the funeral home.

David is survived by his wife, Annette; his children, Angela Solis, Russell Hodnett and Stacey Kushaney; two sisters, Sue Elliott and Nancy Graves; three brothers, Richard Hodnett, Claude Hodnett and Keith Hodnett.

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

## Diane Herrera

Diane Herrera, 51, of Coahoma, died Saturday March 22, 2014 in Ward County, Texas. Funeral Services were at 1:00 PM Saturday, March 29, 2014, at First Baptist Church of Big Spring with burial following at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born October 30, 1962 to Louisa and Claudio Lopez in Big Spring.

Diane is survived by two daughters: Krystal Woodruff and Kimberly Ybarra; her parents; three grandchildren: Mahlaya Woodruff and Keno Woodruff and Matthew Jessie Ybarra; one sister: Mary Rodriguez; brothers: Claudio Lopez, Jr., David Lopez and Ramon Ramirez, Jr.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home and Chapel. Please pay your respects online at http://www.myersandsmith.com/

## Joe Stocks

Joe Stocks, 84, of Big Spring, died Friday, March 28, 2014 in a local hospital. Memorial services will be held at 2:00 PM Sunday at Spring Creek Fellowship with Derrick Looney, officiating.

Survivors include his wife, Jerrie Stocks; two daughters, Judy Osborn and June Ferguson; a sister, Maxine Davis ; one brother, Hershel Stocks; and one grandson.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences may be made at: www.npwelch.com

## KiAna Ra'Nae Vanderbilt

KiAna Ra'Nae Vanderbilt, 7, of Coahoma, died Saturday March 22, 2014. Funeral Services were at 1:00 PM Saturday, March 29, 2014, at First Baptist Church in Big Spring with burial following at Trinity Memorial Park.

KiAna was born July 29, 2006 in Big Spring.

She is survived by her Mother Krystal Woodruff and step-father Curtis; her Father: Jarron Vanderbilt; sisters: Mahlaya Woodruff, Araceli Vanderbilt, Ja'lisa Vanderbilt; brothers: Keno Woodruff, Jarron Vanderbilt, Jr. and Draven Vanderbilt ; grandparents: George Herrera and wife Oliva, Traci Vanderbilt Duff, Terrell Duff

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home and Chapel. Please pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

## Misty Dawn Clayton

Misty Dawn Clayton, 32, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, March 26, 2014 in a local hospital. Graveside funeral services will be held at 2:00 PM, Tuesday, April 1, 2014 at Mt. Olive Memorial Park Chapel.

She is survived by two sons, Michael Dewayne Renteria and Malachi D'Sean Renteria; her grandparents, Dean and Kay Rawls; her grandmother, Dolly Burcham; two brothers, Steven Clayton and Tommy Rawls; and two sisters, Sherry Chandler and Catherine Ecker.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences may be made at: www.npwelch.com

## Tobiah E. Cline

Tobiah E. Cline, age 31, died in Midland on March 27, 2014.

He was born to Brad E. and Diana E. Cline on September 23, 1982 in Lubbock, Tx.

He is survived by his parents, Brad E. and Diana E. Cline; son, Ayden Cline; brothers, Tyler and Richard Cline; sister, Twila Cline; paternal grandparents, Richard and Virginia Cline.

A memorial service will be held on Tuesday, March 1, 2014, 6:30 p.m. at American Heritage Chapel.

NEW YORK

## Howard Schmertz, Millrose Games director, dies at 88

Howard Schmertz, a lawyer who for 29 years presided over the Millrose Games in New York, long one of the world's most prestigious indoor track and field meets, died Thursday in Port Washington, N.Y. He was 88.

The cause was complications of congestive heart failure, his wife, Judy, said.

Schmertz, a Bronx native who lived on Long Island, was a link to the very birth of the meet, in 1908. His father, Fred, had been a founder, and Howard, who began attending the event at 7, succeeded him as the meet's director in 1975.

In 2012, father and son were inducted simultaneously into the National Track and Field Hall of Fame in Manhattan.

## OTHERDEATH

FROM WIRE REPORTS

The younger Schmertz oversaw the event during an era in which track and field, at the elite level, became a professional sport and athletes started receiving large appearance fees. It was also a period of declining attendance at indoor track meets in the United States as the best athletes, earning large fees through endorsements, began choosing not to participate. Schmertz was almost continually faced with budget cuts.

In 1968, when track was an amateur sport, Millrose spent $15,000 for athletes, almost all for transportation, hotel rooms and meals. By 2002, when the top athletes were pros, that cost had climbed to six figures. By 2011, Millrose was losing close to $500,000 a year.

The games were held at Madison Square Garden for 98 years, until 2012, when dwindling attendance and the high costs of hosting the event there forced them to relocate to a new, and smaller, home: the Armory Track and Field Center in the Washington Heights section of Manhattan. Control of the event was passed from the Millrose board to the Armory board.

Schmertz was clear-eyed about the state of the event but optimistic. As far back as 1981, he told The New York Running News: "I don't think track is a dying sport. It may be a changing sport. It's becoming certainly a very expensive sport, with the athletes demanding more and the arenas, in many cases, more of a share."

# STATE BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

BROWNSVILLE

## Agents arrest 6 in Texas human smuggling operation

Authorities in South Texas say six people have been arrested for their roles in a human smuggling operation after 72 undocumented immigrants were found at a home earlier this week.

A criminal complaint charges Raul Ramirez-Martinez and five others with harboring the people at a Brownsville home. Authorities said Ramirez-Martinez organized the operation and is being detained without bond.

Officials determined all 72 were in the country illegally after they were discovered Thursday.

The Brownsville Herald reported federal investigators called one of the contacts in a cellphone found in the house. The agents, posing as immigrants who escaped the raid, asked to be picked up. The ruse led to the arrest of the suspects.

The criminal complaint said Ramirez-Martinez acknowledged he was paid by someone in Mexico to lead the operation.

SAN ANTONIO

## Ex-Air Force instructor sentenced for abuses

A former Air Force basic training instructor has been sentenced to eight months in prison for abusive behavior toward recruits that included threatening to castrate one and not letting others to eat.

Staff Sgt. Annamarie Ellis was sentenced Friday by a military judge following a weeklong trial. Her punishment also included dropping her rank to airman basic and a bad-conduct discharge. She was taken to a lockup at Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland.

The San Antonio Express-News reported Ellis pleaded guilty earlier to three charges, including the maltreatment of recruits, and 24 allegations of misconduct. She had faced a maximum prison sentence of 43 years.

The abuse occurred over a nearly two-year period starting in 2009. Recruits testified they were unaware Ellis' methods were outside Air Force rules of conduct.

# FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

**Scott M. Allen**, 34, of Midland, was charged Friday with driving while intoxicated with an open alcohol container three or more times.

**Russell W. Betterton**, 49, of Stanton, was charged Friday with indecency with a child through sexual contact, aggravated sexual assault of a child and violation of probation.

**Kevin J. Brooks**, 28, of Odessa, was charged Friday with violation of probation.

**Johnny V. Contreras**, 64, of Midland, was charged Friday with accident involving injury.

**Steven R. Gomez**, 27, of Midland, was charged Friday with theft between $1,500 and $20,000.

**Lydia V. Gonzalez**, 52, of Midland, was charged Friday with possession of a controlled substance between 4 and 200 grams.

**Clarence A. Haire Jr.**, 35, of Midland, was charged Friday with violation of probation.

**Dustin J. Nino**, 21, of Midland, was charged Friday with failure to appear.

**Darian D. Oneal**, 18, of Midland, was charged Friday with indecency with a child through sexual contact and sexual assault of a child.

**Manuel A. Ortega**, 50, of Midland, was charged Friday with driving while intoxicated three or more times.

**Armando L. Perez**, 39, of Midland, was charged Friday with violation of probation.

**Christopher Rojo**, 18, of Brownfield, was charged Friday with four counts of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

**Mary A. Soto**, 18, of Midland, was charged Friday with assault on a public servant.

**Alisa S. Tate**, 28, of Odessa, was charged Friday with forgery of a governmental financial instrument.

*Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office*

# Service honored

*Associated Press*

Gov. Rick Perry speaks at the dedication of the Texas state Capitol Vietnam Veterans Monument in Austin on Saturday. The dedication marks the 41st anniversary of the last U.S. troops leaving South Vietnam. About a half-million Texans served in the war, with more than 3,400 losing their lives and 105 still missing in action.

## Gov. Perry dedicates new Vietnam Veterans Monument

*Associated Press*

AUSTIN — A monument unveiled on the Texas Capitol grounds represents an appreciation for the sacrifices of Vietnam War veterans, Gov. Rick Perry told a large gathering Saturday.

Perry spoke near the Vietnam Veterans Monument for an event coinciding with the 41st anniversary of the last U.S. troops leaving South Vietnam. About a half-million Texans served in the war, with more than 3,400 losing their lives and 105 still missing in action.

The monument on the northeast side of the Capitol grounds joins others honoring Texans who have fought in other wars, dating back to the Texas Revolution.

Perry said the newest monument is a "reminder of what is noble and good about the human spirit."

"It will stand as a declaration that in Texas, we understand how blessed we are to have warriors ready to step forward and draw a line between us and those who would do us harm," he said.

Perry spoke of the contributions of Vietnamese who fought alongside American soldiers, with many later obtaining U.S. citizenship and settling in Texas, he said.

The 5,500-pound monument was approved by lawmakers following legislation submitted by state Rep. Wayne Smith and state Sen. Juan Hinojosa, both Vietnam veterans.

"Most of our men and women who fought in Vietnam never received a hero's welcome or recognition for our service to our country and state," Smith said. "With today's dedication, we can finally say, welcome home and thanks for your sacrifice."

Private donations matched by the Texas Historical Commission led to the casting and placement of the 14-foot-tall bronze structure on a granite base. It features five men of various ethnicities representing the five military branches.

More than 3,400 dog tags were placed inside the monument, representing each of the Texans who died or are missing in action.

# WILLIAMSON

From 1B

In fact, every country we visited, with the exception of Vietnam, they drive on the left side of the road.

Naturally, I brought this up with our new table mates. I informed them that they lost the American Revolution because they probably were marching down the left side of the road and kept stumbling over all those Americans who were marching down the right side of the road.

I had trouble walking down the ship's hallways because we were on a boat where everyone walked down the opposite side of the walkway than we do. I never expected that to be a problem, but it is a problem. Every time I bumped into someone, I would get this stare and the comment, "American?"

Our tablemates were good to take a joke. They even politely listened when I told them of the incident on the bus. They laughed at all the right times, but informed me that it was a "motor coach" and not a bus.

I really felt sorry for these people. They didn't even know how much a gallon of gas cost in the UK. Come to find out, in the UK gas is sold in liters, not gallons. They informed me that only three countries in the world use gallons as a measurement.

They also confused me on the temperature. We were going on an excursion in Melbourne one day and the Brits told me it was going to be 22 degrees outside. I carried all this heavy gear to keep warm and it turned out to be a very pleasant day in the low 70s.

That night at dinner I asked why they said it was going to be so cold and they all had a great laugh before informing me that they were talking in terms of Celsius, not Fahrenheit. For the rest of the cruise, I was given lessons on how to convert Fahrenheit to Celsius. I still can't do it because you actually have to add and subtract.

Our travel companions also talked a lot about football. They love football, but alas, it was not American football. It was actually soccer. And they also like cricket, especially the Aussies. Here I was a former sports editor and I couldn't even be in the conversation when it came to sports.

As it turned out, the Brits were more an influence on us than we were on them. The wife is now drinking English tea and eating scones. She even got the recipe for scones and brewing instructions to boil her water instead of using the microwave. She's proper now. And we have some great new friends.

I told them, the wife was now more Brit than American and one replied, "It won't hurt her a bit."

I didn't completely buy that. I'm still waiting for her to pull out into the left lane of traffic.


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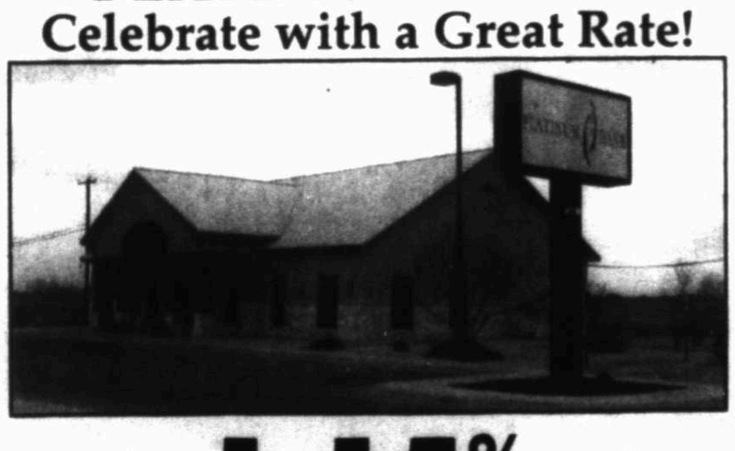

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## Crime of the week

Midland Crime Stoppers and the Midland Police Department need help identifying the suspects of an aggravated assault.

The victim exited Club Arriba, 1006 S. Midkiff Road, on Jan. 26 and noticed four Hispanic males bothering another patron, who was handicapped and waiting on a taxi.

That person left, so the men turned their attention to the victim, who was walking away. One of the males began speaking to the victim and said they were from Juarez, Mexico. He became agitated and asked the victim if he wanted to fight. He then hit the victim in the face with his fist causing the victim to fall to the ground. The victim attempted to get up and was hit in the face with a bottle. When the victim fell back to the ground, all four males began to kick him.

A gray four-door vehicle pulled up and picked up the men and left.

At the time of the incident, the men were wearing T-shirts and jeans. The man who hit the victim was described as being light-skinned.

The victim suffered several facial fractures.

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

### How to submit a secure tip

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

## Crime Stoppers fugitive

BRANDI LEVARIO

**DOB:** 4-10-1991
**Height and weight:** 5 feet; 135 pounds
**Charge:** Possession of controlled substance in drug free zone — grand jury indictment

- Wanted as of 3-29-2014
- Warrant #CR41868
- $250 Reward to the first person who calls Midland Crime Stoppers this week with information that leads to this fugitive's arrest.
- Call 694-TIPS or 1-800-7-LOCKUP, online at midlandcrimestoppers.com or text TIP247 plus your message to 274637
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| Electricity | 4 families | $ 1,302.49 |
| Water | 4 families | $ 2,323.54 |
| Rent | 21 families | $17,199.23 |
| Transportation | 3 family | $ 2,415.00 |
| Medical | 3 families | $ 1,690.00 |
| **TOTAL** | | **$24,930.26** |

### *Thank You, Don Bennett!*

Dear Don,

How can we ever thank you enough for all of the wonderful things you have done for Helping Hands? As you know, we never spend money that is donated to us to help the poor on ourselves. We either wait for the needed item to come into the store, or we learn to do without.

How blessed we were when, two years ago, your good friend Msgr. James Bridges of St. Stephen's Catholic Church asked if there was anything we really needed, because he had a friend who might be willing to help us out. At the time our greatest need was for heaters for our receiving area. The metal additions are not insulated, and the rooms could get so cold during the winter months that there would be many days when we were not able to work, sorting the many donations for the store. You were a saint in donating the money to purchase 4, 60' long gas heaters that are suspended from our ceilings. Now, on cold mornings, we need only turn the heat on and our rooms are warm enough to work in, even for our volunteers who are in their 70's!

Then last year we were again approached by Msgr. Bridges. Was there anything else that we needed? At the time we considered asking for a new truck, however we had needs that were much greater – and besides, a truck was so expensive! With the money you gave us we were able to purchase a second baler (where we bundle the clothing that we cannot use and that is shipped around the world). We have pretty much doubled the clothing that we are now able to process, which is a huge blessing to all of the people in developing countries around the world that are recipients of that clothing. We also were able to pour concrete slabs outside of our unloading areas, and we purchased solid rubber tires for our forklift, so that now we have absolutely no down time in having to have flat tires fixed or replaced.

When Msgr. Bridges approached again earlier this year we could not believe our good fortune. Dare we ask for what we most needed? The trucks we had been using for many, many years were wearing out rapidly. With over 200,000 miles on them, we were babying them along. We asked if a truck would be out of the question. We really needed two trucks, we told him, however we would be extremely grateful just to have one.

Lo and behold! Our wildest dreams were fulfilled when you sent us enough money to purchase two new trucks, complete with two new boxes and lifts for loading and unloading. We are so blessed and so incredibly grateful. Thank you, Don, for continuing to bless us! You are a true friend – nay, a true guardian angel. May God bless you abundantly for all that you do for the poor of Midland through Helping Hands.

# Texas pushes native plants for Monarch butterflies

By Ramit Plushnick-Masti
*Associated Press*

AP file photo

A monarch butterfly lands on a confetti lantana plant in San Antonio in 2013. A half-century ago monarch butterflies, tired, hungry and bursting to lay eggs, found plenty of nourishment flying across Texas. Native white-flowering balls of antelope milkweed covered grasslands, growing alongside nectar-filled wildflowers. But now, these orange-and-black winged butterflies find mostly buildings, manicured lawns and toxic, pesticide-filled plants.

**HOUSTON — A half-century ago, monarch butterflies — tired, hungry and bursting to lay eggs — found plenty of nourishment as they migrated from Mexico through Texas. Native white-flowering balls of antelope milkweed covered grassland areas, growing alongside other nectar-filled flowers.**

But now, these orange-and-black winged butterflies find mostly buildings, manicured lawns and toxic, pesticide-filled plants after crossing the Rio Grande. Already hampered by disappearing habitat in Mexico, years of drought and almost no sustenance farther north in the Great Plains, the monarch is getting help as a Texas state agency is preserving ecosystems and nonprofits are offering grants and rare plant seedlings to boost habitat.

"They are worn out. ... They're stumbling into Texas and they're laying eggs with their last gasp," said Charlotte Reemts, an ecologist with The Nature Conservancy, explaining that milkweed is crucial food in the caterpillar's transformation into a butterfly. "The caterpillars would have nothing to eat, so it's really important to have milkweed in Texas."

Leslie Provence of the Terrell Heights Community Garden in San Antonio helped get a $500 grant from the Native Plant Society of Texas to plant milkweed, Texana flowers and other fauna the monarchs enjoy. Aided by children who helped remove Bermuda grasses and weeds from the small plot planted last spring, the group enjoyed the fruits of their labor in fall.

"They weren't covered solid, but we would see three or four (monarchs) at a time instead of one occasionally," Provence said. "So our 120 square feet isn't much, but it's something that we can do."

That is the idea. If homeowners devote small areas of their yards to native plant species, Reemts said, it will help monarchs, as well as other insects and pollinators such as bees.

"If you look, particularly at the San Antonio to Dallas corridors, there is very little area that ... is not developed," Reemts said, noting Central Texas was once covered with prairies and grasslands, of which only about 1 percent remain. "So anything that's migrating up this corridor the only habitat available to them is your backyard."

Pretty lawns aren't habitat.

"One garden won't make a difference, but 100 gardens will," Reemts added.

The monarchs' plight begins in Mexico, where they winter in fir trees in the Oyamel forest in the mountainous area of Michoacan state. Much of the forest has disappeared due to climate change and extensive logging. In the 1990s, an unusual freeze killed nearly half the butterflies clinging to the trees.

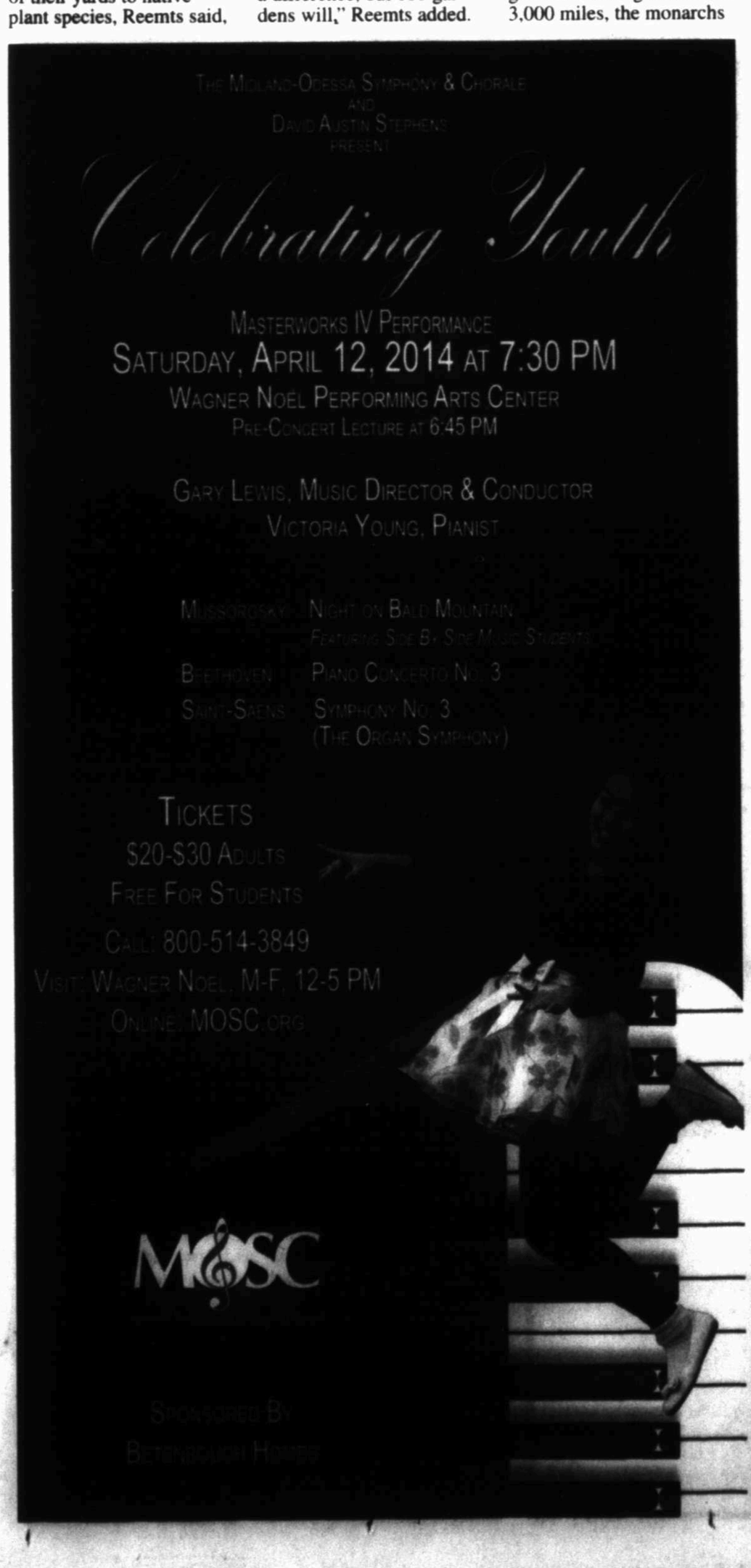
Recovering from that has been difficult because of what the monarchs face in the north. The only species of butterfly known to carry out an annual two-way migration covering more than 3,000 miles, the monarchs need energy. But habitat is scarce when they get to Texas in spring — and disappearing at a rate of 6,000 acres daily, experts say. Farther north in the Great Plains, milkweed is even scarcer as farmers plant fertilizer-resistant corn and clear greater tracts of land to plant the lucrative crop.

Wildflowers are also important, said Ben Hutchins, an invertebrate biologist with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, which does controlled burns and other work to preserve prairies and other native ecosystems. It is the great-great grandchildren of the butterflies that leave Mexico in winter that eventually return the following year, Hutchins said, and every step of the journey is crucial to their survival.

"If we don't have the wildflowers for the adults they won't have the energy to continue migrating north ... and we won't have it for those coming back south," Hutchins said. "We're a big state. It's a lot of miles and without the wildflowers they won't have the energy to continue the migration."

And so, Debbi Harris, who oversees the Milano Junction Memorial Garden in Milano — a town of about 430 people some 130 miles northwest of Houston — used her $200 grant to plant a monarch waystation in a vacant lot. By selling wildflower seeds and spreading information about milkweed's importance, Harris has two other areas interested in planting monarch gardens.

"What I've done is just started a fire, a small one, but it's gotten two other counties interested in starting their own project," Harris said.



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# PITCH, HIT, RUN

Cole Miller, 13, connects for a hit Saturday during the City of Midland Parks and Recreation Pitch, Hit and Run skills competition at Security Bank Ballpark.

## GALLE

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and fuzzies" of the nonprofit world.

"Make sure you have a passion for the mission," he said. "If you do, everything else will work out."

At a retirement party Monday at Sibley, Galle shared laughs and stories with lifelong friends. Always in good humor, the Midlander said he offered up $100 to make everyone forget about what he called his impending "unemployment."

"Thank you for putting up with me all those years," Galle said. "This has been a treat."

His favorite part of the past eight years: the people.

"The vast majority were people I enjoy being around, working with and working for," he said.

Not having to wear a suit and tie and getting to be outside also had its advantages, Galle said.

In a "Roast of Richard" that night, Sibley Nature Center board vice president Marc Maddox was the first to stand and offer his thoughts on his friendship with Galle.

"I'll miss all those calls that start, 'Hey, you got a couple of hours?'" he said. "That's when I know to wear old clothes."

Longtime friend Dearen, who first chronicled Galle's misadventures in a 1981 Reporter-Telegram article, warned against taking hikes with him to the Dead Horse Mountains and trips to the McKittrick Hill Caves when it's raining.

"I've learned so much from this guy. Unfortunately, it's what not to do," Dearen said.

Riding down Big Bend National Park's Old Ore Road might also result in a great view from a 300-foot cliff with the front wheels dangling off, Dearen said.

"I haven't lived this long, I've survived this long," Galle quipped.

After finding Galle's expensive quadcopter in 10 pieces at a nearby golf course, Sibley board treasurer Ken Zoller said the Midlander's adventures with technology have similar endings.

"Normally you go through a pre-flight checklist," Zoller said. "He forgot a step."

Permian Basin Outing Club member Tom Elliot shared a similar story from January's trip. Forgetting to set its home base to Big Bend, Elliot witnessed the machine suddenly shoot off toward the mountains at full speed — heading back to the Sibley Nature Center — and ultimately crash.

"I don't skip that step anymore," said Galle, with a laugh.

After the roast, his friends and colleagues presented several gifts, including a photo Zoller took of Big Bend National park mounted on aluminum and signed by all of Sibley's board members.

The photo features a technique called light painting of large rocks in front of Big Bend's stars at night. And Galle, who is also highly involved with Sibley Nature Club, loved it.

"He has been so loyal and reliable and a wonderful comfort for us," said Sibley board president Mary Anne Dingus. "When you're in business — whether it's a nature business like ours — you're really in a people business, and Richard has made so many friends for Sibley."

Over the next month, Galle will focus on moving to a cabin on a ranch in the Panhandle, where he said the "fishing and photography are good." But he'll be just as busy leading an outing club trip to Buffalo Trail Scout Ranch in far West Texas and pursuing other hobbies and projects.

"I don't do goodbyes very well," he said. "It's always, 'See you later.'"

# Judge accused of breaking law ends re-election bid

*Associated Press*

HOUSTON — A family court judge in the Houston area heavily criticized for dismissing hundreds of cases without notifying the parties involved has decided not to seek re-election.

Judge Denise Pratt announced her intention to end her campaign Friday, saying "relentless attacks by my political opponents" have proven damaging to her family and court proceedings. She was elected in 2010.

"I cannot, in good conscience, allow it to continue," she wrote on her campaign website. "My goal has always been to serve the children and families of Harris County, but I won't sacrifice my family's well-being any longer to continue to serve as judge."

The Republican jurist is under investigation by Harris County prosecutors, the Houston Chronicle reported. A criminal complaint filed against her alleges she broke the law by dismissing more than 630 cases in the final two days of 2013 without notifying the parties involved.

The move nullified an array of child custody, child support and other arrangements brokered in the 311th state District Court, creating anxiety, confusion and additional legal costs for families.

Pratt has blamed her lead clerk for backdating court filings, resulting in much of the confusion. The clerk has since resigned.

But dozens of family court attorneys, Republicans and Democrats alike, have criticized Pratt and signed a letter calling for her resignation, according to the Chronicle.

Pratt earlier this month was removed from five cases in a day by a visiting senior judge who criticized her for making a final ruling in a child custody case without hearing any testimony or evidence. The opposing lawyers in the case told the judge they recently were interviewed about it by county prosecutors as part of an ongoing criminal investigation into Pratt.

Despite the controversy, Pratt secured the highest percentage of the vote in the five-way March 4 Republican primary, but not enough to avoid a runoff. She was to face family lawyer Alicia Franklin in a May 27 election.

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# Albuquerque shooting recordings to be given to FBI

*Associated Press*

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — New Mexico State Police have been told by Gov. Susana Martinez's office to turn over recordings of a fatal shooting of a homeless camper by Albuquerque police directly to the FBI.

It is unusual for the State Police, which participates in a review team for Albuquerque police shootings, to bypass an Albuquerque police investigation and turn over evidence directly to the federal agency.

The FBI has opened an investigation into the March 16 shooting of 38-year-old James Boyd in the Albuquerque foothills as officials have said he appeared to be surrendering. It marks the first confirmed criminal investigation of Albuquerque police by federal officials, who more than a year ago launched a civil rights probe of the department over allegations of excessive force and a spike in police shootings. Since 2010, police have been involved in 37 shootings, 23 of them fatal.

The Albuquerque Journal reported that Martinez's directive to turn over the tapes to the FBI was made Thursday.

"Gov. Martinez has directed the state police to provide federal law enforcement with any and all information they believe to be relevant to the investigation," Martinez spokesman Enrique Knell told the newspaper in a statement.

Albuquerque Police Chief Gorden Eden said he hadn't seen the State Police recordings and didn't know what they showed.

Albuquerque police fatally shot Boyd in the Sandia foothills following an hours-long standoff and after he threatened to kill officers with a small knife, authorities said. He died after officers fired stun guns, bean bags and six live rounds, authorities said.

But a helmet-camera video showed Boyd, who claimed to be a federal agent, agreeing to walk down the mountain with them, gathering his things and taking a step toward officers just before they fired.

# Aztec officials clear up problem with annexation

*Associated Press*

FARMINGTON, N.M. — The Aztec City Commission has approved a new annexation agreement for 320 acres of land that were erroneously believed to have been made part of the city in 1998.

The Farmington Daily Times reported that the city's staff recently discovered that the 1998 annexation of the property east of downtown was never finalized.

It's not clear which party was responsible for the error, state and local officials said.

"It never happened, so here we are all these years later officially finalizing the agreement," said Roshana Moojen, Aztec's community development director.

City staff discovered that the 1998 annexation hadn't been formally completed during recent discussions with the New Mexico State Land Office about acquiring a permit allowing an environmental study on 20 acres of property within the annexed area. That property was used for a city landfill that was capped in the late 1980s after three decades of use.

The landfill parcel and another parcel of about 30 acres that also lies within the annexed area are state trust land. The Land Office leases the land for various uses, and the revenue primarily benefits public schools, universities and hospitals.

On Tuesday, city commissioners approved a new annexation agreement with the Land Office that corrects and finalizes the annexation of the property.

With a finalized annexation agreement, the city can now negotiate with the Land Office to develop a planning and zoning agreement.

Before the area is developed, the city plans to complete an environmental analysis of the landfill parcel.

"The city's interest is in finalizing the environmental study on the historic landfill to ensure there's no risk to human health," Moojen said.

The problem with the annexation was a technicality, New Mexico Commissioner of Public Lands Ray Powell said.

# WARREN

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become fluent in the English language for their future successes.

We are an ever-changing school district in regards to our student population. Midland ISD is now up to 26 languages that our students speak and our teachers serve in classrooms ranging from our pre-kindergarten to our senior high schools. Because we are seeing so many more students coming into our schools who do not have backgrounds in English, we have to adapt the program even more than we've been doing.

Our students are mandated and are expected to write, speak and understand English at proficient levels, and the improvements we've seen over the years show our teachers are reaching these kids as never before. One goal has to be to assure our students can pass the state mandated exams, but the main goal must be to assist these kids to realize the full command of the English language to drive them toward success in their future. I feel the changes we have made to our bilingual and ESL programs will accomplish both goals.

The ultimate goal for all of our academic programs is learning — not passing tests. Even our state leaders are understanding the need to come back from the "over-the-top" testing environment we've had for the past decade and truly concentrate on good, solid teaching and learning for the benefit of our students.

The second issue we are dealing with concerns an enormously important decision our school board will be making in about a year. With the approval of the November 2012 elementary bond referendum, three new elementary schools will hopefully be ready to serve Midland's children in the fall of 2015. Because our previously newest elementary school — Greathouse Elementary — was completed more than 20 years ago, it has been that long since elementary attendance zones have been changed by the school district.

During our regular March board meeting, the school board members heard an initial report outlining possible zones that will incorporate the three new schools. The board members have a few important mandates for the new elementary attendance zones map, which are the following:

1. As stated before, the new map must include the three new elementary schools that are scheduled to open in August of 2015.

2. The board wants the new map to attempt to get as many elementary school students attending the elementary school closest to their homes as possible. On our current elementary map, many of our students live in what we call "split zones" and drive by several elementary schools on the way to their assigned school. This has been the case since the desegregation orders came down in the 1970s. Our board, that still wants to maintain as much demographic equality as possible, does want the attempt made to reduce as much drive time for our younger students to their campus.

3. The board also wants all parents to know what attendance zone they are living in, regardless of the campus designation. Our families who live close to our four specially designated campuses (Bowie Magnet, Pease Magnet, Washington Magnet, and Carver Gifted & Talented Center) don't have true attendance zones. If their children do not attend these schools, they might be placed into one of four different campuses that are closest to their address. The new map will have an attendance area around these four campuses, so parents will know exactly where their children will attend school, if they are not a part of the special programs.

4. All current and future school buildings need to be utilized in the most efficient manners, depending on the total student capacity of the campus. As can be seen on the presentation that can be downloaded from the MISD website (www.midlandisd.net), if all buildings were populated equally with students, all of our elementary schools would be at 89 percent capacity — that is the capacity that was established by the bond referendum, so we will have growing room for the future.

The most important need for the district moving forward with the new attendance zone map is the necessity for parental and community input. The first draft of the map that was presented to our school board members can also be downloaded from the MISD website. We need all concerned stakeholders (parents, community members, taxpayers, and students) to look at the map as presented and send any questions or suggestions on how to improve the map as posted.

The MISD board of trustees will be voting on the final version of the elementary attendance zone map in spring 2015. Any and all input that will help shape this final version is very much needed in this process. It is important to understand, especially for our parents, that this first version is simply a statistical model that divides up streets and neighborhoods depending on the capacities of the surrounding campuses. The input we need from parents and community members will help us understand local issues, with an emphasis on specific neighborhood issues that will assist in drawing these lines as fairly and efficiently as possible.

Thank you for your support of our children in Midland, and if anyone has questions or comments about my article, please do not hesitate to contact me. For those who wish to directly comment about the attendance zone map, you may send those comments directly to me at ryder.warren@midlandisd.net, and we will very much appreciate the feedback.

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NEW MEXICO

## Scientist to lead energy, water research group

SANTA FE — A scientist from Los Alamos National Laboratory has been tapped to help New Mexico with complex issues related to energy and water science.

The state Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department said Jeri Sullivan Graham will lead the Brackish Water Work Group.

One of the group's overarching goals is to identify the state's brackish water resources and find ways to make it more available and useable as a buffer against drought.

New Mexico is entering its fourth year of extremely dry conditions. The latest map shows nearly two-thirds of the state is dealing with severe drought or worse.

Graham's position will be funded by the lab through September.

Gov. Susana Martinez said she had asked the U.S. Energy Department for support in developing water reuse in New Mexico.

NEW MEXICO

## Fire threatens 5 homes

JARALES — A 197-acre wildfire in central New Mexico is threatening five homes.

State Forestry spokesman Dan Ware said the Pino fire was burning near the boundaries of Socorro and Valencia counties.

It's unclear how close the homes were to the fire on Saturday, though Ware said the blaze had reached within 100 yards of some homes on Friday.

No evacuations have been ordered. Some homeowners have left voluntarily.

The human-caused fire started Friday afternoon near the farming community of Jarales.

Ware said owners of some of the homes had done an adequate job of protecting the structures by removing nearby brush.

Four hay barns also are threatened.

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# San Antonio suburb charts tax-free course

By Laylan Copelin
*Austin American-Statesman*

VON ORMY — As motorists speed past this tiny community along Interstate 35, they might not realize they have just passed the "Freest Little City in Texas," as Mayor Art Martinez de Vara sometimes calls it.

The mayor shies away from political labels. But there is a libertarian tinge to a "zero tax, zero fee" goal as the best way to bring economic development to this poor but proud city that incorporated on the southwest side of San Antonio just six years ago.

"I don't consider myself a politician," he told the Austin American-Statesman. "I just don't like taxes and regulations."

It's an attitude that prompted community leaders to cut the town's property tax rate in half while almost tripling its sales tax revenue with the help of fast-food restaurants and truck stops lured to Von Ormy's Interstate 35 frontage. City officials hope to recruit larger enterprises once they have installed a sewer system and to eliminate the property tax altogether.

But the "Von Ormy Way," as it is called, is also about offering basic municipal services efficiently — and sometimes in innovative ways — to a community not accustomed to being served.

"Here, you have a government experiment," said Joe Phillips, a longtime Von Ormy property owner.

It's gotten the attention of the Texas Public Policy Foundation, the Austin-based conservative think tank, which invited Martinez de Vara to speak at its annual conference last month.

"The primary lesson they've figured out is how to run their city more efficiently while creating a better business environment," said Jess Fields, senior policy analyst at the foundation. "They encourage development by getting out of the way."

The "Von Ormy Way" isn't for everyone. Von Ormy, population 1,300, relies on a city marshal and two dozen volunteer police officers as well as volunteer firefighters. Its police station is a mobile command trailer the size of an 18-wheeler. It cost $4,500. One of its two police cars was donated.

Martinez de Vara said that residents — "after being ignored by San Antonio and Bexar County for years" — are patiently waiting for services as the city pursues a largely pay-as-you-go approach to creating a city from scratch.

As the city has prospered, it has installed streetlights and paved streets, and it is building a fire station. It has trash pickup, curbside recycling and negotiated free ambulance service.

The city's only debt is a $120,000, seven-year note that, along with grants, helped buy land where the fire station, a school, a city hall and a park are planned.

The key to the city's future is its pursuit of a public-private partnership to develop a $4 million sewer line that would serve new businesses at the intersection of I-35 and Loop 1604.

The revenue from that line, the mayor said, would finance extending sewers to the entire city.

This is a no-frills town.

"Necessity helps enforce the philosophy," Martinez de Vara said.

The City Council, which meets in a church, has cut the property tax rate by 10 percent each year since its incorporation. The mayor said he expects that will continue until the tax is gone.

Brian Kelsey, principal at Civic Analytics and a lecturer on economic development, said property taxes — which are less volatile than sales taxes — make up a larger share of general revenue for most cities.

"It's not uncommon for small communities to see 15 to 20 (percentage) point swings in year-to-year taxable sales during recessions," he said. "It's difficult to guarantee residents a minimum level of service they can expect from a city without a stable foundation of revenue."

Martinez de Vara agrees there is a greater risk in relying on one major tax, particularly a sales tax that fluctuates with the economy. For that reason, he said, the city had a reserve fund last year that was one-third of its annual budget and its surplus was almost 50 percent of its budget.

"We can take a substantial hit without cutting into city operations," he said. "We just have to hedge our taxes differently than other cities."

To Martinez de Vara, property taxes pose a risk to landowners: "The property tax is the greatest threat to keeping the land."

That philosophy is rooted in Von Ormy's history.

The mayor, who spent his summers as a child visiting his grandmother in Von Ormy, counts himself as a sixth-generation resident. He estimated 60 percent of the locals are descendants of five families with original Spanish land grants in the area.

Their houses and land are handed down through generations.

Although the city is almost 90 percent Hispanic, it is named for Count Norbert von Ormay Auffenberg, an Austrian nobleman, who arrived in 1886 with twenty servants.

The count gave up his dream of becoming a cattle baron and left after 18 months. But a postmaster, apparently impressed by nobility, renamed the community, misspelling the count's name in the process.

Despite Von Ormy's long history, it had withered in San Antonio's shadow — and its extraterritorial jurisdiction.

Von Ormy had tried and failed to incorporate in the past, but a group of community leaders led by Martinez de Vara, a lawyer with Capitol experience, tried again in 2007.

The Legislature didn't pass the bill that the wannabe municipality sought, but there was enough political pressure that San Antonio allowed Von Ormy to go its own way in 2008.

"This was a no man's land," said Phillips, a landowner at Von Ormy's intersection of I-35 and Loop 1604. "San Antonio made it very clear it didn't care about this area before Eagle Ford Shale."

The recent shale oil boom south of San Antonio is increasing traffic and commerce through the area. San Antonio is growing towards Von Ormy.

"We knew we couldn't compete with San Antonio on incentives," Martinez de Vara said of Von Ormy's approach to economic development.

Moe Lemos said he located his business, Manufactured Housing Consultants, a mobile home dealership, in Von Ormy because of its business climate.

"Absolutely," he said. "We enjoy the benefits of the big city without being burdened with overregulation."

He said the property tax cuts were a "pleasant surprise" that allowed him to expand the business and improve the facilities.

Another property owner, Charlie Brown, said he wanted to be sure all of his 100 acres for the Alamo River RV Resort was part of Von Ormy.

"Coming from California, I thought I had landed in paradise," said Brown, a retired airline pilot. "I know how to run my life better than a bureaucrat knows."

Von Ormy typically doesn't impose fees on companies locating here.

# SHOWING THEIR PRIDE

*Photos by Tyler White/Reporter-Telegram*

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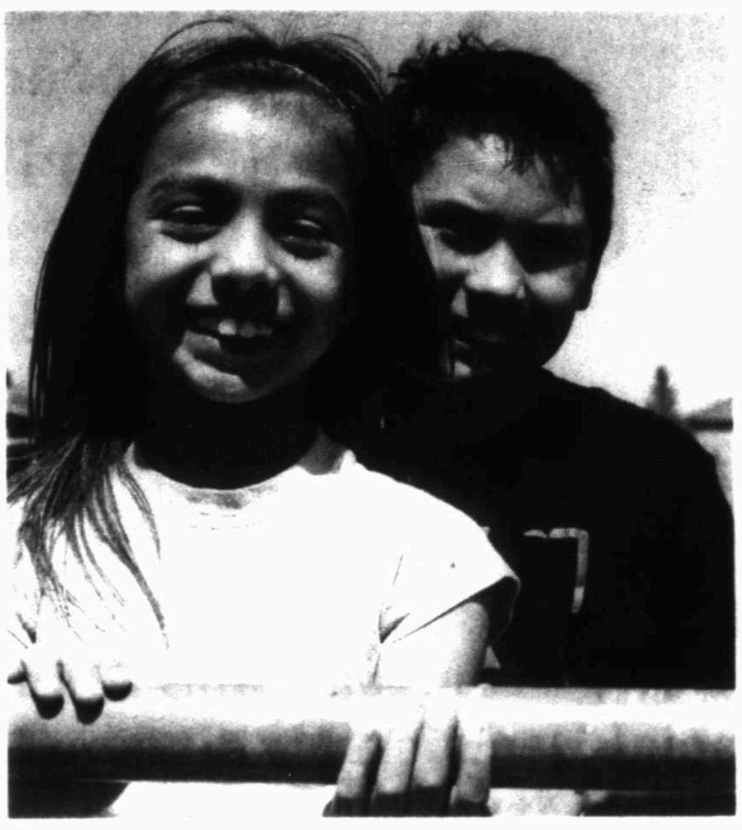

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# Lady Bulldogs beat Lady Rebels in pitchers' duel

Midland High's Stefani Baeza delivers a pitch Saturday against Lee High at Gene Smith field. Baeza pitched a complete-game shutout in the Lady Bulldogs' 2-0 victory against the Lady Rebels. Baeza only gave up five hits.

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

**By Justin Oaks**
*MRT Correspondent*

**A pitchers' duel commenced on Saturday as the visiting Midland High softball team shut out district rival Lee, 2-0, at Gene Smith Field.**

**Midland High starter Stefani Baeza, coming off a rough outing Friday against Abilene High, pitched all seven innings for a five-hit shutout against the Lady Rebels and was able to outduel Lee starter Kylee Olivas.**

**"This was a classic Lee-Midland High matchup," Midland High coach Shawnda Vines said. "Solid pitching, tough defense, and timely hitting. I'm extremely proud of our girls."**

The game was scoreless until the top of the fourth inning when Courtney Warren, who was 3-for-3 with an RBI on the afternoon, led off with a single to left, and Brooke Ryan followed with a walk to put two runners aboard.

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| Lady Bulldogs | 2 |
| Lady Rebels | 0 |

Shelby Neatherlin bunted to move the runners over, but Lee attempted to get the lead runner at third base and the throw was dropped by third baseman Cid Martin. That loaded the bases with no outs. After an Aubrie Elliott strikeout on a changeup, Sydney Betcher grounded into a fielder's choice that scored Warren to put the Lady Bulldogs on the board for a 1-0.

The second and final run was scored an inning later when Warren knocked a double to the right field wall, scoring Brittany Baggett from first base.

"Honestly, I thought the right fielder was going to get that one," Warren said. "It was a great win. We had timely hits when we needed them and everybody did their part. It was a great team effort."

The Lady Rebels attempted to rally in the bottom of the seventh with two singles, but Baeza was able to keep the ball in the infield, inducing two fielder's choice outs and finally a bouncer to the pitcher by Shelby Olivas to end the game.

"I just needed to come out and work hard for my team," Baeza said. "They worked hard to play good de-

Please see **LADY BULLDOGS**/2C

## TEXAS TECH SPRING SCRIMMAGE

# ReturntoGrande

## Tech QB Webb impressive in spring game

**By Oscar LeRoy**
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When the Texas Tech football team came to Grande Communications Stadium for a scrimmage last April, fans got their first glimpse at quarterback Davis Webb. Fans didn't know what to expect from the freshman, but Webb didn't know what to expect either.

"It was a lot different from last year coming here because my eyes were really open, I guess," said Webb after Saturday's scrimmage at Grande Communications Stadium. "It was my first real contact scrimmage. This year it's my sixth, or whatever it is, springtime scrimmage, so I feel a lot more in my stride, a lot more vocal. I can check when I want to check and I'm gotten more used to it."

**Online**

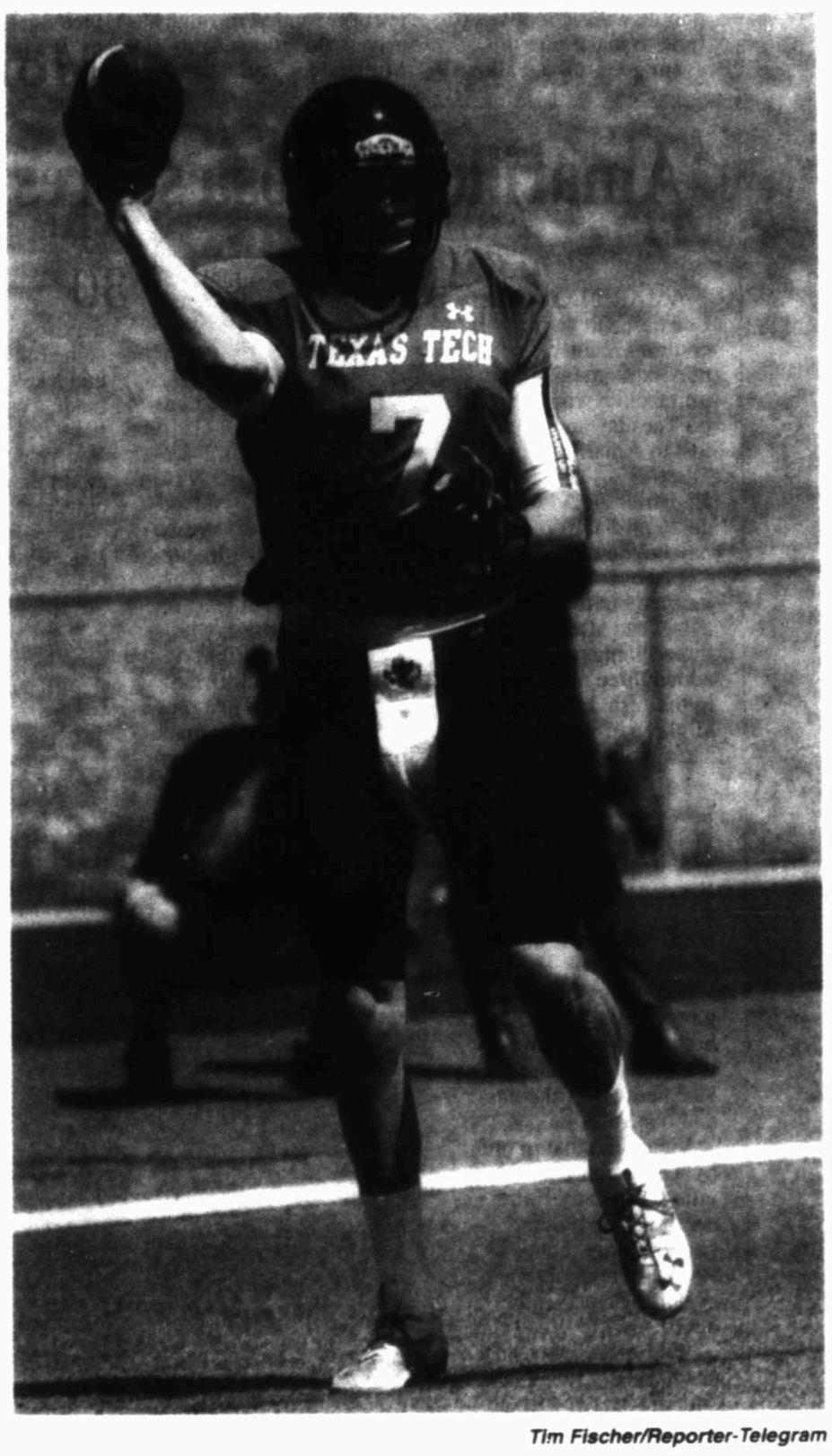
See a photo gallery from Saturday's Texas Tech spring scrimmage at Grande Communications Stadium online at www.mrt.com.

Texas Tech fans have seen Webb grow over the past year as he's gone from a backup to now being the main guy for the Red Raiders heading into the 2014 season.

On a sunny, beautiful Saturday, the bigger and stronger Webb showed his arm strength and his on-the-field leadership in leading the first-team offense to five touchdowns, including four touchdown passes in a team scrimmage in front of an estimated 10,150 fans.

Webb, who is coming off a season in which he passed for 2,718 yards with 20 touchdowns and nine interceptions to go with a Holiday Bowl MVP honor after passing for four TDs, took the majority of the snaps on Saturday against the first team defense. Tanner Tausch, a junior walk-on from Kilgore College, led the second-team offense.

Please see **TECH**/4C



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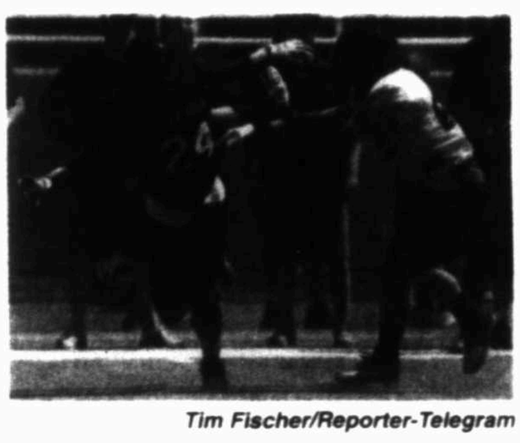
Quarterback Davis Webb drops back for a pass Saturday at the Texas Tech spring scrimmage at Grande Communications Stadium.



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Tyler Middleton (24), a Midland High grad, gets off his block on Saturday at the Texas Tech scrimmage at Grande Communications Stadium.

## Middleton adjusting to new position

**By Len Hayward**
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Tyler Middleton's football career has been centered around defenses trying to stop him.

He was a record-breaking running back at Midland High, and also stood out at the position while at Navarro Junior College.

But since arriving at Texas Tech last spring, he's been trying to find his niche in Lubbock.

He was expecting to play on offense both as a running back and wide receiver, but after his redshirt season was over in the fall, he made the move to cornerback. Middleton certainly has the size, 6 feet and 190 pounds and the track speed that won him plenty of races in high school to play the position.

What he does lack is experience playing defense. A lot of experience.

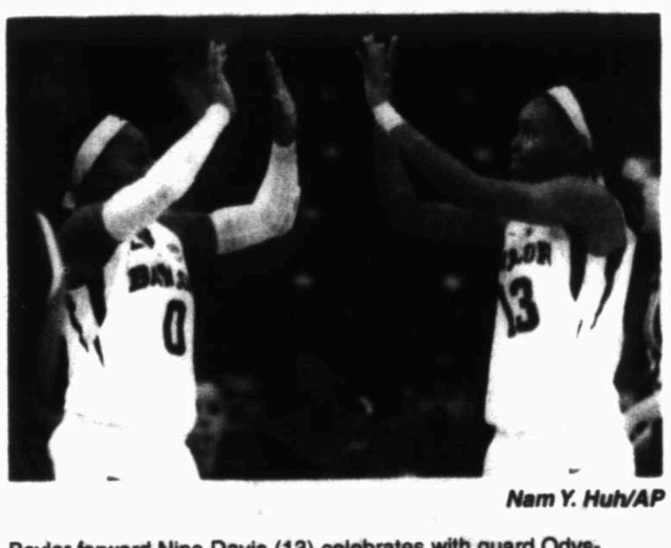
"I was straight offense, I didn't even play defense," Middleton said.

These days, though, Middleton, who is listed as a red shirt junior, is trying to work his way onto the field for the Red Raider defense. He saw some time at Grande Communications Stadium on Saturday during the Tech scrimmage on his old home field playing for the second team.

Middleton is learning that his athleticism can help him at corner, but he's also had to learn how to adjust to trying to defend people and not trying to run by them.

"It's more like your own thing."

Please see **MIDDLETON**/4C



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Baylor forward Nina Davis (13) celebrates with guard Odyssey Sims (0) after scoring a basket during the second half of a regional semifinal game against Kentucky at the Purcell Pavilion on Saturday in South Bend, Ind.

# Sims helps Lady Bears rout Kentucky

**By Doug Feinberg**
*Associated Press*

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — It's hard to believe that with all that Baylor lost, Odyssey Sims has the Lady Bears one victory away from reaching the Final Four again.

Sims scored 25 points, including her 1,000th this season, to lead No. 2 seed Baylor to a 90-72 win over third-seeded Kentucky on Saturday in the Sweet 16.

The victory came a year after the Lady Bears were eliminated in the regional semifinals by Louisville in one of the biggest upsets in women's basketball history. Baylor's now back in the regional final for the fourth time in five years.

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| Lady Bears | 90 |
| Wildcats | 72 |

This might be the most unexpected of the trips as the Lady Bears lost two-time AP Player of the Year Brittney Griner and four other seniors.

"With what we lost people didn't know what to expect," Baylor senior Makenzie Robertson said. "That game was motivation to prove people wrong. It means the world to get this far."

Coach Kim Mulkey didn't put any pressure on this young team during the season.

"We didn't talk about it being an Elite Eight team," she said. "We definitely wanted be in the NCAA tournament and let's see how good we are in the course of the year. I watched us get better and better. I knew we'd go pretty deep in this tournament."

Sims has been the key. She became only the second player to reach that milestone in a single season. She is 41 points behind Jackie Stiles' record

Please see **LADY BEARS**/5C

# DAILYRUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

## ON THE AIR

**WHAT'S ON TV**

**AHL**

Hamilton at San Antonio, 4 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest Plus

**AUTO RACING**

NASCAR, Sprint Cup, STP 500, Noon, Fox

IRL, IndyCar Series, Grand Prix of St. Petersburg, 2 p.m., ABC

NHRA, SummitRacing.com Nationals, 10 p.m., ESPN2

**COLLEGE BASEBALL**

Baylor at West Virginia, 12:30 p.m., Fox Sports 1

Kentucky at Vanderbilt, 1 p.m., ESPNU

Texas at Texas Tech, 1 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest

**GOLF**

PGA Tour, Texas Open, final round, Noon, TGC

PGA Tour, Texas Open, final round, 2 p.m., NBC

LPGA, Kia Classic, final round, 6 p.m., TGC

**MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL**

L.A. Dodgers at San Diego, 7 p.m., ESPN

**MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**

NCAA Division I tournament, regional final, UConn vs. Michigan State, 1 p.m., CBS

NCAA Division I tournament, regional final, Michigan vs. Kentucky, 3:30 p.m., CBS

**NHL**

Boston at Philadelphia, 11 a.m., NBC

Chicago at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m., NBC Sports Network

**SOCCER**

Premier League, Everton at Fulham, 7:25 a.m., NBC Sports Network

Premier League, Tottenham at Liverpool, 9:55 a.m., NBC Sports Network

**NHL**

Minnesota at Detroit, 6:30 p.m., NBC Sports Network

**TENNIS**

ATP World Tour/WTA, Sony Open, men's championship match, 1:30 p.m., ESPN

**WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**

NCAA Division I tournament, regional semifinal, Maryland vs. Tennessee, 11 a.m., ESPN

NCAA Division I tournament, regional semifinal, Louisville vs. LSU, 1:30 p.m., ESPN2

NCAA Division I tournament, regional semifinal, Stanford vs. Penn St., 3:30 p.m., ESPN2

NCAA Division I tournament, regional semifinal, South Carolina vs. North Carolina, 6 p.m., ESPN2

## WHAT'S ON DECK

**TODAY**

**FOOTBALL**

Texas Skyforce at West Texas Drillers, 3 p.m.

## AUTO RACING

**NASCAR-Sprint Cup-STP 500 Lineup**
**By The Associated Press**
**After Friday qualifying; race today.**
**At Martinsville Speedway**
**Martinsville, Va.**
**Lap length: .526 miles**
**(Car number in parentheses)**

1. (18) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 99.674 mph
2. (11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 99.548
3. (22) Joey Logano, Ford, 99.428
4. (48) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 99.178
5. (24) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 99.048
6. (20) Matt Kenseth, Toyota, 99.048
7. (14) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 98.883
8. (99) Carl Edwards, Ford, 98.846
9. (1) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 98.625
10. (10) Danica Patrick, Chevrolet, 98.165
11. (16) Greg Biffle, Ford, 97.764
12. (15) Clint Bowyer, Toyota, 97.382
13. (55) Brian Vickers, Toyota, 98.965
14. (2) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 98.929
15. (47) A J Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 98.888
16. (31) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 98.877
17. (9) Marcos Ambrose, Ford, 98.712
18. (4) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 98.707
19. (23) Alex Bowman, Toyota, 98.661
20. (43) Aric Almirola, Ford, 98.625
21. (27) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 98.61
22. (41) Kurt Busch, Chevrolet, 98.61
23. (13) Casey Mears, Chevrolet, 98.599
24. (34) David Ragan, Ford, 98.599
25. (51) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 98.43
26. (88) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 98.379
27. (5) Kasey Kahne, Chevrolet, 98.359
28. (42) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 98.333
29. (32) Travis Kvapil, Ford, 98.246
30. (17) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 98.206
31. (78) Martin Truex Jr., Chevrolet, 98.2
32. (95) Michael McDowell, Ford, 98.002
33. (98) Josh Wise, Chevrolet, 97.957
34. (3) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 97.886
35. (26) Cole Whitt, Toyota, 97.82
36. (40) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 97.759
37. (33) David Stremme, Chevrolet, owner points
38. (83) Ryan Truex, Toyota, owner points
39. (38) David Gilliland, Ford, owner points
40. (7) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, owner points
41. (30) Parker Kligerman, Toyota, owner points
42. (36) Reed Sorenson, Chevrolet, owner points
43. (66) Joe Nemechek, Toyota, owner points

**Failed to Qualify**

44. (35) David Reutimann, Ford, 97.759

## SPRING TRAINING

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

| | W | L | Pct |
|---|---|---|---|
| Tampa Bay | 16 | 7 | .696 |
| Cleveland | 20 | 9 | .690 |
| Los Angeles | 18 | 11 | .621 |
| Seattle | 18 | 12 | .600 |
| Baltimore | 13 | 9 | .591 |
| New York | 17 | 12 | .586 |
| Detroit | 15 | 12 | .556 |
| Toronto | 16 | 13 | .552 |
| Oakland | 15 | 13 | .536 |
| Houston | 12 | 15 | .444 |
| Kansas City | 12 | 16 | .429 |
| Boston | 11 | 17 | .393 |
| Chicago | 9 | 14 | .391 |
| Texas | 10 | 17 | .370 |
| Minnesota | 9 | 16 | .360 |

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**

| | W | L | Pct |
|---|---|---|---|
| Miami | 18 | 12 | .600 |
| Pittsburgh | 15 | 10 | .600 |
| San Francisco | 17 | 12 | .586 |
| Washington | 15 | 13 | .536 |
| Colorado | 15 | 14 | .517 |
| Arizona | 12 | 13 | .480 |
| New York | 14 | 16 | .467 |
| San Diego | 11 | 13 | .458 |
| St. Louis | 11 | 13 | .458 |
| Chicago | 15 | 18 | .455 |
| Cincinnati | 14 | 17 | .452 |
| Milwaukee | 13 | 18 | .419 |
| Atlanta | 12 | 18 | .400 |
| Los Angeles | 7 | 11 | .389 |
| Philadelphia | 9 | 18 | .333 |

NOTE: Split-squad games count in the standings; games against non-major league teams do not.

**Saturday's Scores**

Toronto 2, N.Y. Mets 0
Miami vs. N.Y. Yankees at Tampa, Fla., ccd., Rain
Minnesota 7, Boston 4
Pittsburgh vs. Philadelphia, ccd., Rain
Detroit vs. Washington, ccd., Rain
Houston 13, Texas 6
Milwaukee 7, Kansas City 2
Colorado 2, Seattle 1
San Francisco vs. Oakland, ccd., Rain
San Diego 9, Cleveland 8
Chicago Cubs 9, Arizona 8
L.A. Dodgers at L.A. Angels, late

**SATURDAY'S TEXAS LINESCORE**
**ASTROS 13, RANGERS 6**
**At San Antonio**

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Houston | 301 050 400—13 | 16 | 3 |
| Texas | 101 120 001—6 | 11 | 0 |

Keuchel, N. Tropeano (5), Foltynewicz (6), R. Seaton (8) and R. Garcia; J. Saunders, McCutchen (5), R. Ross (7), Ogando (7), Germano (8), Rosin (9) and Chirinos, Gimenez. W—Keuchel. L—J. Saunders. HRs—Houston, Guzman (2), Springer (1), J. Meyer (1), N. Fontana (1). Texas, Lillibridge (2), L. Martin (1).

## TRANSACTIONS

**BASEBALL**

**Major League Baseball**

MLB — Suspended Chicago White Sox minor league LHP Feny Arias (DSL-White Sox), Arizona minor league RHP Geremia Espinosa (DSL-Diamondbacks), and free agent minor league RHP Elou Jean 50 games apiece following their violations of the Minor League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program. American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Optioned RHP Kevin Gausman, LHP TJ McFarland and INF Jemile Weeks to Norfolk (IL).

BOSTON RED SOX — Reassigned LHP Tommy Layne, RHP Brayan Villarreal, OF Corey Brown, and INF Mike McCoy to their minor league camp. Released RHP Francisco Cordero.

MINNESOTA TWINS — Selected the contracts of INF/OF Jason Bartlett and OF Jason Kubel. Reassigned C Dan Rohlfing to their minor league camp.

NEW YORK YANKKES — Optioned INF Eduardo Nunez, LHP Cesar Cabral and RHP Shane Greene to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL). Reassigned INF Zelous Wheeler, OF Antoan Richardson, OF Adonis Garcia, RHP Matt Daley and C Jose Gil to their minor league camp.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Optioned LHP Joe Savery, C Stephen Vogt, 3B Hiro Nakajima and INF Jake Elmore to Sacramento (PCL). Selected the contract of OF Sam Fuld from Sacramento. Designated OF Michael Taylor for assignment. Placed RHP Ryan Cook, RHP A.J. Griffin, RHP Fernando Rodriguez and OF Craig Gentry on the 15-day DL, retroactive to March 21. Reassigned OF Billy Burns to their minor league camp.

SEATTLE MARINERS — Placed RHP Hisashi Iwakuma, RHP Taijuan Walker and RHP Stephen Pryor on the 15-day DL, retroactive to March 21.

TEXAS RANGERS — Assigned LHP Ryan Feierabend, RHP Justin Germano, RHP Colby Lewis, RHP Daniel McCutchen, C Chris Snyder, INF Kevin Kouzmanoff and INF Kensuke Tanaka to Round Rock (PCL); and RHP Nick Martinez to Frisco (Texas).

**National League**

ATLANTA BRAVES — Purchased the contracts of RHP Gus Schlosser and LHP Ian Thomas from Gwinnett (IL). Recalled LHP Ryan Buchter from Gwinnett. Optioned RHP Ervin Santana to Gwinnett. Placed RHP Cory Gearrin on the 15-day DL, retroactive to March 26th. Transferred RHP Brandon Beachy and LHP Jonny Venters to the 60-day DL.

CHICAGO CUBS — Designated RHP Alberto Cabrera for assignment.

COLORADO ROCKIES — Placed RHP Jhoulys Chacin and LHP Boone Logan on the 15-day DL.

LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Placed LHP Clayton Kershaw on the 15-day DL.

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES — Selected the contracts of OF Tony Gwynn Jr., LHP Mario Hollands and RHP Jeff Manship. Transferred RHP Miguel Alfredo Gonzalez from the 15- to the 60-day DL. Reassigned INF Reid Brignac and RHP Shawn Camp to Lehigh Valley (IL).

PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Placed C Chris Stewart and LHP Jeff Locke on 15-day DL, retroactive to March 21. Selected the contract of INF Travis Ishikawa from Indianapolis (IL). Assigned LHP Andy Oliver outright to Indianapolis. Designated RHP Vin Mazzaro for assignment.

SAN DIEGO PADRES — Selected the contract of INF-OF Xavier Nady. Placed OF Carlos Quentin, RHP Josh Johnson, RHP Casey Kelly, OF Cameron Maybin and RHP Joe Wieland on the 15-day DL. Optioned INF-OF Kyle Blanks to El Paso (PCL).

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS — Purchased the contract of RHP Juan Gutierrez and INF Brandon Hicks from Fresno (PCL). Reassigned OF Tyler Colvin to Fresno and RHP Derek Law to Richmond (SL). Placed LHP Jeremy Affeldt on the 15-day DL, retroactive to March 23 and INF Marco Scutaro to the 15-day DL, retroactive to March 21. Designated OF Roger Kieschnick for assignment.

WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Placed RHP Doug Fister on the 15-day DL, retroactive to March 23.

**HOCKEY**

**National Hockey League**

DALLAS STARS — Recalled and reassigned F Chris Mueller from/to Texas (AHL).

FLORIDA PANTHERS — Recalled G Scott Clemmensen from San Antonio (AHL). American Hockey League

HARTFORD WOLF PACK — Reassigned G Jason Missiaen to Greenville (ECHL).

**ECHL**

READING ROYALS — Signed F Greg Wolfe.

**SOCCER**

**National Women's Soccer League**

WASHINGTON SPIRIT — Waived D Candace Chapman.

**COLLEGE**

LOUISVILLE — Announced junior men's basketball G Kevin Ware is transferring.

NC STATE — Announced men's sophomore basketball G Tyler Lewis is transferring.

OHIO STATE — Announced senior men's basketball F Anthony Lee is transferring to the school from Temple.

## NHL STANDINGS

**EASTERN CONFERENCE**

**Atlantic Division**

| | GP | W | L | OT | Pts | GF | GA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| y-Boston | 74 | 51 | 17 | 6 | 108 | 237 | 155 |
| Montreal | 76 | 43 | 26 | 7 | 93 | 199 | 189 |
| Tampa Bay | 74 | 41 | 24 | 9 | 91 | 221 | 196 |
| Detroit | 74 | 34 | 26 | 14 | 82 | 199 | 211 |
| Toronto | 76 | 36 | 32 | 8 | 80 | 220 | 239 |
| Ottawa | 73 | 30 | 29 | 14 | 74 | 210 | 246 |
| Florida | 75 | 27 | 40 | 8 | 62 | 179 | 244 |
| Buffalo | 74 | 20 | 45 | 9 | 49 | 142 | 222 |

**Metropolitan Division**

| | GP | W | L | OT | Pts | GF | GA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| x-Pittsburgh | 74 | 47 | 22 | 5 | 99 | 228 | 184 |
| N.Y. Rangers | 75 | 41 | 30 | 4 | 86 | 200 | 183 |
| Philadelphia | 73 | 39 | 27 | 7 | 85 | 210 | 206 |
| Columbus | 74 | 38 | 30 | 6 | 82 | 208 | 200 |
| Washington | 74 | 34 | 28 | 12 | 80 | 214 | 222 |
| New Jersey | 74 | 31 | 28 | 15 | 77 | 178 | 192 |
| Carolina | 74 | 32 | 32 | 10 | 74 | 186 | 208 |
| N.Y. Islanders | 74 | 29 | 35 | 10 | 68 | 208 | 247 |

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**

**Central Division**

| | GP | W | L | OT | Pts | GF | GA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| x-St. Louis | 74 | 50 | 17 | 7 | 107 | 240 | 168 |
| x-Colorado | 74 | 47 | 21 | 6 | 100 | 227 | 202 |
| Chicago | 75 | 42 | 18 | 15 | 99 | 247 | 196 |
| Minnesota | 74 | 37 | 26 | 11 | 85 | 183 | 188 |
| Dallas | 74 | 36 | 27 | 11 | 83 | 214 | 212 |
| Winnipeg | 74 | 33 | 32 | 9 | 75 | 208 | 216 |
| Nashville | 75 | 32 | 32 | 11 | 75 | 186 | 226 |

**Pacific Division**

| | GP | W | L | OT | Pts | GF | GA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| x-San Jose | 76 | 47 | 20 | 9 | 103 | 232 | 184 |
| x-Anaheim | 73 | 47 | 18 | 8 | 102 | 234 | 186 |
| Los Angeles | 74 | 43 | 25 | 6 | 92 | 185 | 157 |
| Phoenix | 74 | 36 | 26 | 12 | 84 | 205 | 209 |
| Vancouver | 75 | 34 | 30 | 11 | 79 | 183 | 201 |
| Calgary | 74 | 31 | 36 | 7 | 69 | 189 | 217 |
| Edmonton | 74 | 26 | 39 | 9 | 61 | 184 | 244 |

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.
x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division

**Saturday's Scores**

N.Y. Islanders 2, New Jersey 1, SO
Boston 4, Washington 2
Colorado 3, San Jose 2
Tampa Bay 4, Buffalo 3, OT
Detroit 4, Toronto 2
Montreal 4, Florida 1
Columbus 3, Carolina 2, OT
Dallas 4, St. Louis 2
Minnesota at Phoenix, late
Anaheim at Vancouver, late
Winnipeg at Los Angeles, late

**Today's Games**

Boston at Philadelphia, 11:30 a.m.
Calgary at Ottawa, 4 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Detroit, 4 p.m.
Chicago at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.
Washington at Nashville, 7 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Edmonton, 7 p.m.

# *Sunday Morning Line*

## LEN HAYWARD

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Walking through the small maze of red and black flags and fans clad in the same colors on Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium was an interesting experience outside of Lubbock.

But then I realized why it was happening, and it's easy to figure out once you really think about it — cold hard cash.

Sure, it's cool to have a Division I football team practice at one of the best high school football stadiums in the state, and you get to see Mr. Oakley, Joe Cool, or whatever your nickname is for second-year head coach Kliff Kingsbury in person in your own town. (Although, I wasn't quite sure what was happening with his pants, or were those shorts?)

But it's a way for Texas Tech to be able to expose its premier athletic product in front of one of its most active alumni bases. Oh yeah, and it's being done in an area where the economy is strong and there is plenty of money floating around.

It takes a lot to pull off Saturday's scrimmage at Grande. Sure, it takes money, but it also takes people willing to give up time to make sure this event goes off and allows people a chance to experience at least a piece of the game day experience in Lubbock.

"Tech could do this all day in Lubbock," said Tim Culp, a Texas Tech grad himself who is one of the event's organizers. "But it's a huge benefit to the Permian Basin and not just Midland and Odessa, but to Monahans, Andrews and Big Spring, and it draws a lot from the rest of the Permian Basin."

And that's the key. It's about being able to expose Texas Tech's football program to those outside of Lubbock and its alumni bases in the Metroplex and Houston. Someone having the chance to see a live Tech practice might gain the school another season ticket holder or two, and maybe even a new donor.

Former mayor Bobby Burns, a Baylor grad who now wears red and black most of the time, said the event is funded through private donations from Midlanders, and he added that it's part of an ongoing effort to connect Midland to Texas Tech.

Culp said paying the football team's expenses wasn't part of the original deal, but they wanted to do it, and that Tech didn't put any parameters on them on how much they needed to raise to have the event.

But he said, "we have some donors that will pony up and benefit the Red Raider Club as a result."

Beyond the money, though, former Midland High and Red Raider running back Baron Batch might have said it best when he said it's a chance for the players in the program to realize they are playing for a larger region than just Lubbock.

Batch, who was in town for an event at the Petroleum Museum later on Saturday night, said players can get into their own little bubble and not realize who their fan base is.

"It's important for the players really to see how big the base is and how deep it goes," Batch said. "As a player, you get in a little bubble and you don't do many events like this and you realize, 'Man, this is a big deal.'"

How many years this event will continue at Grande is not known for sure, but after talking to some people involved it looks like it will be back at least in 2015, and I wouldn't expect any other schools to make their way out here because that wouldn't make much sense.

Tech coming here does make sense, not only for the aspect of the athletic program being able to raise some money, but also it's a chance for Texas Tech to expand it's brand outside of Lubbock to other parts of West Texas.

"A lot of these guys aren't from West Texas, and I knew it because I was from here," Batch said. "They don't know what West Texas is about. They don't know what the culture is about. I think this is one of the times you get to see it. That's what West Texas and that's Texas Tech, and it's just always getting people involved as a family."

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# Amarillo Tascosa scores early to top Lee

*From staff reports*

AMARILLO — The Lee baseball team couldn't maintain its momentum from a win on Tuesday and lost to Amarillo Tascosa 7-4 in a District 2-5A game on Saturday on the road.

Tascosa jumped out to a 4-1 lead after three innings and then added three more runs in the fifth. Lee scored all three of its runs in the sixth inning.

Coleman

Lee fell to 7-12 overall and 1-7 in 2-5A play, and Tascosa is now 14-5 and 5-3.

Hunter Coleman was 2-for-4 with two runs scored on Saturday, and Griffin Quintero was 2-for-3 with one RBI. Austin Maddox also added two RBI. Every Lee player in the lineup other than Ray Calhoun had at least one hit on Saturday.

"There were bright spots," Lee coach Brian Roper said. "It's just one of those where they made the most of their baserunners and when we had some rallies going, they had a key strikeouts or made a couple of really good defensive plays. You've got to give them credit they are a good club."

Lee will return to action at 4:30 p.m. Friday against Odessa High in Odessa.

Amarillo Tascosa ................7
Lee ................4

**AMARILLO TASCOSA 7, LEE 4**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lee | 100 003 | 0—4 | 10 | 2 |
| Tascosa | 121 030 | x—7 | 6 | 1 |

Evan Mata, George Arsiaga (5), Austin Maddox (6) and Jon Schwalbach; Raymond Salazar, Tucker Davidson (7) and Jared Arce. W — Salazar 5-0. L — Mata. S-Davidson. 2B-Lee: Griffin Quintero. Tascosa: Davidson, Tanner Cordova.

**Records:** Amarillo Tascosa 14-5, 5-3 in

**District 2-5A Standings**

**BASEBALL**

| Team | District W | District L | Overall W | Overall L |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Midland High | 8 | 0 | 14 | 6 |
| San Angelo Central | 7 | 1 | 14 | 5 |
| Abilene High | 6 | 2 | 10 | 7 |
| Amarillo Tascosa | 5 | 3 | 14 | 5 |
| Abilene Cooper | 3 | 5 | 7 | 9 |
| Lubbock Coronado | 3 | 5 | 9 | 9 |
| Odessa High | 2 | 6 | 8 | 11 |
| Lee | 1 | 7 | 7 | 12 |
| Odessa Permian | 1 | 7 | 2 | 17 |

**Saturday's Scores**

San Angelo Central 12, Odessa Permian 0
Lubbock Coronado 12, Odessa High 11, 9 innings
Amarillo Tascosa 7, Lee 4
Abilene High 6, Abilene Cooper 0

**Friday's Games**

Odessa Permian at MHS, 4:30 p.m.
Lee at Odessa High, 4:30 p.m.
San Angelo Central at Abilene Cooper, 4:30 p.m.
Abilene High at Amarillo Tascosa, 5 p.m.

District 2-5A, Lee 7-12, 1-7

**Next:** Lee at Odessa High, 4:30 p.m. Friday. Abilene High at Amarillo Tascosa, 5 p.m. Friday.

# LADY BULLDOGS

From 1C

fense behind me and they deserved it."

Meanwhile, Olivas gave up four hits and both runs she allowed were unearned, and she also had five strikeouts and one walk.

Vines said that in order to keep the momentum going, the Lady Bulldogs need to keep playing good defense, but also stressed the importance of putting runs on the board.

"Our offense does need to improve," Vines said, "but any coach will tell you that timely hitting like we had today will win ballgames."

**MIDLAND HIGH 2, LEE 0**

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| Midland High | 000 110 | 0—2 | 4 | 1 |
| Lee | 000 000 | 0—0 | 5 | 2 |

Stefani Baeza and Courtney Warren; Kylee Olivas and Destiny Reyes. W — Baeza. L — Olivas. 2B — MHS: Courtney Warren. RBI — MHS: Courtney Warren, Sydney Betcher.

**Records:** Midland High 15-6, 8-3 in District 2-5A. Lee 13-9, 6-3.

**Next:** Odessa Permian at Midland High, 4:30 p.m. Friday. Lee at Odessa High, 6:30 p.m. Friday.

**District 2-5A Standings**

**SOFTBALL**

| Team | District W | District L | Overall W | Overall L |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lubbock Coronado | 10 | 0 | 23 | 2 |
| Odessa Permian | 8 | 3 | 16 | 6 |
| Midland High | 8 | 3 | 15 | 6 |
| Lee | 6 | 3 | 13 | 9 |
| Odessa High | 7 | 5 | 13 | 7 |
| Abilene High | 4 | 6 | 9 | 11 |
| San Angelo Central | 4 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| Abilene Cooper | 1 | 9 | 5 | 13 |
| Amarillo Tascosa | 0 | 11 | 3 | 17 |

**Friday's Score**

Midland High 2, Lee 0
Odessa Permian 7, Abilene High 4
Odessa High 2, Abilene Cooper 0
San Angelo Central 11, Amarillo Tascosa 0

**Friday, April 4**

Odessa Permian at Midland High, 4:30 p.m.
Lubbock Coronado at Abilene High, 4:30 p.m.
Abilene Cooper at San Angelo Central, 4:30 p.m.
Lee at Odessa High, 6:30 p.m.

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Emily Nunez, right, tries to get to second base as she runs into Midland High's Aubree Rowley on Saturday at Gene Smith Field.

# HSBASEBALL/SOFTBALLROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

**BASEBALL**
**MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 9**
**FW CHRISTIAN 5**

Midland Christian completed its two-game sweep of Fort Worth Christian on Saturday with a 9-5 victory in a TAPPS 1-4A game at Christensen Stadium.

The Mustangs (22-9, 6-0 in TAPPS 1-4A) scored three runs in each of the fourth, fifth and sixth innings to take the victory.

Korey Rasure pitched solid through five innings, giving up two runs on two hits with three strikeouts, and then Grant Little came on in relief, giving up three runs on five hits.

The Mustangs had 11 hits as Little was 3-for-4 with two RBI, and Morgan Munguia was 2-for-4. Nathan Slayter hit a two-run home run and Garrett Clark was 1-for-2 with a triple and an RBI.

"Our kids played hard and I thought they played a lot smarter than we had played in a long time," Midland Christian coach Mike Munguia said. "They showed up ready and focused, and were mentally ready."

Midland Christian will take on Winston-Salem (N.C.) R.J. Reynolds High School in a non-district game on Monday at Christensen Stadium.

**MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 9, FORT WORTH CHRISTIAN 5**

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| FWC | 000 021 | 2—5 | 7 | 0 |
| MCS | 000 333 | x—9 | 11 | 3 |

Snyder, Freutiger (6) and Henderson; Korey Rasure, Grant Little (6) and Nolan Schattel. W — Rasure. L — Snyder. S — Little. 2B — FWC: Kyle Snyder. MCS: Nolan Schattel, Morgan Munguia, Grant Little. 3B — MCS: Garrett Clark. HR — MCS: Nathan Slayter.

**Records:** Midland Christian 22-9, 6-0 in TAPPS 1-4A.

**Next:** Winston-Salem (N.C.) R.J. Reynolds at Midland Christian, 6 p.m. Monday, Christensen Stadium.

**SOFTBALL**
**MCS SWEEPS**
**FW SW CHRISTIAN**

The Midland Christian softball team stayed undefeated in TAPPS 1-4A play, sweeping a doubleheader from Fort Worth Southwest Christian on Saturday at Odessa College.

The Lady Mustangs (24-12, 4-0 in TAPPS 1-4A) beat the Lady Eagles 8-1 in the first game and 12-0 in five innings in the second game.

Pitcher Maddy Garcia picked up victories in both games, giving up a total of four hits in the two games and recording 11 strikeouts.

In the first game, Courtney Monk was 3-for-4 at the plate with four RBI, and Bianca Ambrosio was 2-for-4 with a triple and two RBI. Lauren Grizzard was 3-for-3.

In the second game, the Lady Mustangs broke the game open with six runs in the third inning.

Adriana Berzoza was 3-for-3 with a double, a triple and four RBI. Ambrosio was 3-for-4 with three RBI and Grizzard was 3-for-4 with an RBI on the day.

Midland Christian will travel to Coahoma at 5 p.m. Tuesday for a non-district game.

**MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 8, FW SOUTHWEST CHRISTIAN 1**

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| FWSC | 100 000 | 0—1 | 3 | 3 |
| MCS | 101 501 | x—8 | 12 | 2 |

Rylie Kubes and Sarah Green. Maddy Garcia and Chelsea Cross. W — Garcia. L — Kubes. 2B — FWSC: Ashtyn Tennison. MCS: Courtney Monk. 3B — MCS: Bianca Ambrosio

**MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 12, FW SOUTHWEST CHRISTIAN 0**

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| FWSC | 000 00—0 | 1 | 2 |
| MCS | 246 0x—12 | 16 | 1 |

Rylie Kubs and Sarah Green. Maddy Garcia and Chelsea Cross. W — Garcia. L — Kubes. 2B — FWSC: Ashtyn Tennison. MCS: Bianca Ambrosio, Adriana Berzoza, McKinley Walker, Bayle Weaver. 3B — MCS: Berzoza.

**Record:** Midland Christian 24-12, 4-0 in TAPPS 1-4A

**Next:** Midland Christian at Coahoma, 5 p.m. Tuesday

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# Hawks complete series sweep of Chaps

*From staff reports*

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| No. 3 Hawks | 4-7 |
| Chaparrals | 2-1 |

BIG SPRING — No. 3-ranked Howard College completed a four-game sweep of Midland College on Saturday as the Hawks defeated the Chaparrals 4-2 and 7-1 at Jack Barber Field.

In the first game, the Hawks (26-6, 11-5 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference) only needed four hits to beat the Chaps.

MC (13-18, 2-14) had eight hits but scored its only runs in the fifth inning against Howard starter Jeff Stovall.

Jayden O'Dell (1-2) took the loss for MC.

Blaine Prescott was 2-for-4 with a run scored, while Justin Clarkson was 1-for-3 with an RBI and a walk for the Chaps.

In the second game, Howard used a five-run seventh to beat the Chaps. MC also had four errors in the game behind starter Brandon Courville (2-4).

Howard starter Zach Flanagan allowed the one run on six hits in his complete-game victory.

Clarkson was 2-for-4 with a double, while Chris Shaw was 1-for-4 with a double and an RBI.

The Chaps will next host Western Texas College in a non-conference game at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday.

**HOWARD COLLEGE 4, MIDLAND COLLEGE 2**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| MC | 000 020 0 | —2 | 8 | 1 |
| Howard | 201 001 x | —4 | 4 | 1 |

Jayden O'Dell, Aaron Rumfield (3), Dustin Angiel (6) and Chris Shaw; Jeff Stovall, Kenny Roder (6) and Jose Favela. W — Stovall. L — O'Dell (1-2). S — Roder. 2B — HC: Brandon Wagner.

**HOWARD COLLEGE 7, MIDLAND COLLEGE 1**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| MC | 000 000 010 | —1 | 6 | 4 |
| Howard | 002 000 50x | —7 | 9 | 1 |

Brandon Courville, Cade Davis (7), Sebastian Palacios (8) and Bryndan Arredondo; Zach Flanagan and Jose Favela. W — Flanagan. L — Courville (2-4). 2B — MC: Chris Shaw, Justin Clarkson, Arredondo.

**Record:** Midland College 13-18, 2-14 in WJCAC

**Next:** Western Texas at Midland College, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Christensen Stadium

# Errors again plague MC in doubleheader loss

*From staff reports*

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|---|---|
| No. 17 Lady Wranglers | 13-8 |
| Lady Chaparrals | 5-7 |

ODESSA — The No. 17-ranked Odessa College softball team completed a four-game series sweep of rival Midland College on Saturday, winning 13-5 and 8-7 in nine innings at the Odessa College softball field.

Errors by the Lady Chaparrals (18-15, 5-7 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference) continued to be a problem as they had five errors in the first game and five in the second.

"We definitely have to cut down on the errors, but we have six injured players and we have to use some players at positions they're not used to," MC coach Tommy Ramos said. "I definitely appreciate that they competed better today and the second game was a better-played game. When we get healthy, we will definitely be a better team. We'll get over the hump."

OC (29-9, 11-1) had a six-run third inning IN the first game, which gave the Lady Wranglers not only the momentum but the lead for good. MC had a 4-1 lead going into the third.

Shelby Weissenbach took the loss for MC. Offensively, Taylor Daniels had a double and triple, while Kyla Larson hit a home run for the Lady Chaps.

Janessa Flynn not only got the win for OC but added a home run in the victory.

In the second game, OC again came from behind as it scored four runs in the bottom of the ninth inning, capitalizing on errors in each inning, to beat the Lady Chaps in extra innings.

That was the second big comeback of the game for the Lady Wranglers as they came back from a 4-1 deficit in the seventh inning with three runs in the bottom of the frame.

Weissenbach again took the loss for MC, while Alice Donohoe picked up the win.

For MC, Tyneesha Houkamu was 3-for-4 with a home run and three RBI. Daniels was 2-for-4 and Amy Anderson hit a home run.

The Lady Chaps will next host El Paso Community College in a four-game WJCAC series beginning with a doubleheader at 1 p.m. Friday.

**First Game**
**NO. 17 ODESSA COLLEGE 13, MIDLAND COLLEGE 5**

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Midland | 130 100 0 | —5 | 7 | 5 |
| Odessa | 106 141 x | —13 | 9 | 1 |

Shelby Weissenbach, Dominque Lozano Alcocer (3) and Amy Anderson; Janessa Flynn and Zoe Murillo. W — Flynn. L — Weissenbach. 2B — MC: Taylor Daniels. OC: Payton Wood. 3B — MC: Daniels. HR — MC: Kyla Larson. OC: Flynn.

**Second Game**
**ODESSA COLLEGE 8, MIDLAND COLLEGE 7, 9 innings**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Midland | 010 100203 | —7 | 7 | 5 |
| Odessa | 001 000304 | —8 | 7 | 0 |

Lozano Alcocer, Weissenbach (7) and Amy Anderson; Alice Donohoe and Jessica Gonzalez, Zoe Murillo (6). W — Donohoe. L — Weissenbach. 2B — MC: Kyla Larson, Taylor Daniels. OC: Murillo. HR — MC: Anderson, Tyneesha Houkamu.

**Records:** Midland College 18-15 overall, 5-7 WJCAC; Odessa College 29-9, 11-1

**Next:** El Paso Community College at Midland College (DH), 1 p.m. Friday

# Texas Tech outlasts Texas to even series

*From staff reports*

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|---|---|
| Red Raiders | 8 |
| Longhorns | 4 |

LUBBOCK — Senior left-handed pitcher Jonny Drozd pitched seven innings in relief and every starting Red Raider had a base hit as No. 24 Texas Tech evened its series with No. 12 Texas with an 8-4 victory on Saturday in front of a Dan Law Field at Rip Griffin Park record 4,353 fans in attendance.

Texas Tech improved to 22-8 overall on the season and to 4-4 in Big 12 play while posting its best overall record through 30 games since the 1999 season. Texas dropped to 21-7 overall and to 2-3 in Big 12 play.

Drozd (3-0) entered the contest in the second inning after starting pitcher Cameron Smith went one inning allowing one run on two hits in his third start of the season.

Drozd pitched out of trouble while going seven innings and allowing 11 base hits and two runs with four strikeouts and three walks. At least one Texas base runner reached scoring position in six of ssev-en innings Drozd pitched while the Longhorns left 13 runners on base.

Texas starting pitcher Dillon Peters (3-2) allowed a career-high five earned runs on seven hits in 3 1/3 innings with two strikeouts and two walks.

Second baseman Bryant Burleson (2-for-5, run, RBI) drove in Tech's third run with a two-out RBI single to center field in the second and catcher Hunter Redman (1-for-4, run, RBI) plated Tech's fourth run, giving the Red Raiders a 4-2 lead, in the third with an RBI ground out. Burleson and Redman are Midland Christian grads.

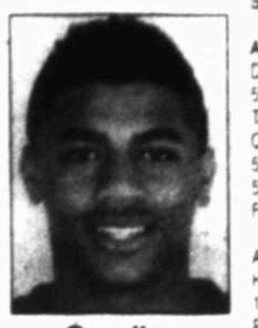
Texas freshman first baseman Tres Barrera went 3-for-5 with two RBI and hit his first career home run in the ninth inning. In addition, Texas was led at the plate by third baseman Zane Gutwitz who went 4-for-4.

The two teams will complete their three-game series at 2:07 p.m. today at Dan Law Field at Rip Griffin Park.

# MHS' Goodley wins 100 in Lubbock

*From staff reports*

LUBBOCK — Midland High's DeAndre Goodley won the 100 meters at the Lubbock Invitational on Saturday, which was his second victory in the event in the last two meets.



Goodley

Goodley also won the 100 meters at the San Angelo Relays last week. Goodley clocked in with a time of 10.59 seconds, and won by more than three-tenths of a second.

Goodley was among a handful of Midland High and Lee athletes to medal at this past weekend's meet in Lubbock.

For Midland High, Kaleb Slack finished second in the pole vault (14-feet). Mazelle Justice second in the long jump (21-11 1/2). Bryce Hoppell third in the 400 meters (50.81) and Austin Watson was second in the 800 meters (2:01.75). The Bulldog boys 400-meter relay team won with a time of 42.94 seconds.

Lee's Ian Johnson took a pair of bronze medals in the long jump and triple jump on Saturday. Johnson had a mark of 21-3 1/4 in the long jump, and then had a mark of 44-1/2 in the triple jump.

Also for Lee, Shaquille Lee was third in the shot put (46-10 1/2) and Darrien Wallace was second in the high jump (6-6).

The Rebel boys 1,600-meter relay team was third with a time of 3:26.95.

On the girls side, Lee's Bri Washington was second in both the long jump and triple jump. Washington had a jump of 16-2 3/4 in the long jump, and 35-7 in the triple jump.

Midland High will next compete at the District 2-5A Track and Field Championship on April 10-11 at Lowrey Field, and the Lee squads will compete at the Chisholm Trail meet in Saginaw on Friday.

**Lubbock Invitational**
**Lowrey Field**
**Lubbock**
**DIVISION I GIRLS**

Team totals: 1. Lubbock Coronado 339; 2. Lubbock Monterey 181; 3. Amarillo High 95; 4. Lubbock High 84; 5. Wolfforth Frenship 77; 6. Amarillo Tascosa 74; 7. Odessa Permian 52; 8. Lubbock Estacado 51; 9. San Angelo Central 37; 10. Lee 31; 11. Amarillo Caprock 21; 12. Midland High 12; 13. Lubbock Cooper 10; 14. Amarillo Palo Duro 8

**Field events**

High jump: 1. (tie) Akor Maywin, Permian 5-4; MaryBeth Sandercox, Frenship 5-4; Samantha Nolan, Amarillo High 5-4; Savannah Cognasi, Lubb. Coronado 5-4; 5. (tie) Nikkie Tweet, Amarillo High 5-2; Christian Cagle, Amarillo High 5-2

Pole vault: 1. Morgan Hartsell, Frenship 10-6; 2. Kelsi Wilson, Lubb. Coronado 10-6; 3. Chase Bentley, Amarillo High 9-6; 4. Alexandria Karber, Amarillo High 9-0; 5. Maci Moore, SA Central 8-6; 6. Sara Dalton, Lubb. Coronado 8-6

Long jump: 1. Danielle Leaks, Frenship 17-3; 2. Bri Washington, Lee 16-2.75; 3. Tae'lor Hodge, Amarillo High 16-2; 4. Ashley Rackow, Lee 16-2; 5. Ashley Hughes, Lubb. Coronado 15-9.5; 6. Bailey Brown, Ama. Tascosa 15-6.5

Triple jump: 1. Akor Maywin, Permian 36-0.25; 2. Bri Washington, Lee 35-7; 3. Lauren Irish, Lubb. Cooper 35-3; 4. Alexis Bragg, Frenship 34-11.25; 5. Ashley Rackow, Lee 34-9; 6. Kathryn Najera, Ama. Caprock 34-8.25

Shot put: 1. Brilyn Daniels, SA Central 37-9; 2. Cee Wallace, Ama. Caprock 35-9.5; 3. Kiairah Franklin, Permian 33-5; 4. La Tasha Griffin, Permian 33-2.5; Jacyee Tubman, Ama. Tascosa 33-0.5; 6. Haley Holderness, Lee 32-9

Discus: 1. Sheila Upshaw, Lubb. Coronado 115-1; 2. Makayla McCarty, Lubb. Estacado 105-2; 3. Cheyenne Benson, Amarillo High 103-0; 4. Odalys Martinez, Lubb. Cooper 101-7; 5. Samantha Stephens, SA Central 100-11; 6. Jazmine Homer, Ama. Tascosa 100-9

**Running events**

100: 1. Danielle Leaks, Frenship 12.21; 2. Chavonye Bethany, Coronado 12.32; 3. Lateria Slaughter, Lubbock High 12.35; 4. Rhianna Jones, Permian 12.53; 5. Hunter Little, SA Central 12.65; 6. Colette Kitten, Frenship 12.84

200: 1. Nagie Turner, Caprock 25.25; 2. Danielle Leaks, Frenship 25.42; 3. Daimeshia Tennison, Lubbock High 25.50; 4. Zakymbria Lewis, MHS 26.08; 5. Alexia Oliver, SA Central 26.60; 6. Haley Petmecky, Frenship 26.77

400: 1. Sahari Freeman, Estacado 58.64; 2. Niyah Kuhlmann, SA Central 1:01.76; 3. Tabiana Martinez, Coronado 1:02.44; 4. Andy Mitchell, Amarillo High 1:02.76; 5. Audrey Sutterfield, Amarillo High 1:03.10; 6. Kryster Sarbach, SA Central 1:03.96

1,600: 1. Kirstie Smith, Amarillo High 5:24.96; 2. Sabrina Desantiago, Lubbock Monterey 5:29.68; 3. Seselia Dala, Amarillo Tascosa 5:30.81; 4. Jennifer Qasim, Lubbock high 5:43.37; 5. Natalia Yazzie, Palo Duro 5:50.97; 6. Micah Gonzales, Frenship 5:56.27

3,200: 1. Kirstie Smith, Amarillo High 11:35.33; 2. Hollee Ratliff, Ama. Tascosa 12:15.89; 3. Natalia Yazzie, Ama. Palo Duro 12:25.55; 4. Jennifer Qasim, Lubbock High 12:33.48; 5. Seselia Dala, Ama. Tascosa 12:40.78; 6. Jernie Guerrero, Coronado 12:59.94

100 hurdles: 1. Markaaisha Richarson, Ama. Tascosa 14.59; 2. Madison Thetford, Amarillo High 15.38; 3. Sophia Flores, SA Central 15.44; 4. Kate Leivo, Ama. Tascosa 15.58; 5. Chase Bentley, Amarillo High 15.96; 6. Desiree Johnson, Estacado 15.99

300 hurdles: 1. Markaaisha Richardson, Ama. Tascosa 44.70; 2. Porsha Parker, Permian 45.11; 3. Madison Thetford, Amarillo High 46.19; 4. Kate Leivo, Ama. Tascosa 46.62; 5. Morgan Hartsell, Frenship 46.95; 6. Sophia Flores 47.90

400 relay: 1. Frenship 49.66; 2. Lubb. Monterey 49.95; 3. Lubb. Coronado 50.07; 4. Lubbock High 50.24; 5. Midland High 50.80; 6. Ama. Caprock 50.82

800 relay: 1. Lubb. Monterey 1:44.90; 2. Amarillo High 1:45.66; 3. Lubbock High 1:46.07; 4. Permian 1:46.75; 5. Midland High 1:46.95; 6. Lubb. Coronado 1:47.25

1,600 relay: 1. Ama. Tascosa 4:01.57; 2. Lubb. Monterey 4:07.69; 3. Lubb. Coronado 4:11.24; 4. Lee 4:13.52; 5. Amarillo High 4:14.57; 6. SA Central 4:14.65

**DIVISION I BOYS**

Team totals: 1. Amarillo Tascosa 159; 2. Wolfforth Frenship 92; 3. Midland High 80; 4. Odessa Permian 61; 5. San Angelo Central 57; 6. Lee 49; 7. Amarillo High 42; 8. Lubbock High 38; 9. Lubbock Coronado 33

**Field events**

High jump: 1. Tre Culver, Lubb. Coronado 6-8; 2. Darrien Wallace, Lee 6-6; 3. Ton Loud, Permian 6-4; 4. Denim Rogers, Lee 6-0; Stephen Judy, SA Central 6-0; 6. Devin Moore, SA Central 5-10

Pole vault: 1. Todd Parsons, Frenship 14-0; 2. Kaleb Slack, MHS 14-0; 3. Braden Moses, Amarillo High 13-0; 4. Josh Sanchez 13-0; 5. Ryan Giddens, MHS 11-6; 6. Raja Rajic, Lubb. Coronado 11-6

Long jump: 1. Erin Lopez, Lubbock High 22-4; 2. Mazelle Justice, MHS 21-11.5; 3. Ian Johnson, Lee 21-3.25; 4. Broderick Harrell, Frenship 20-1.25; 5. Darius Polley, Ama. Tascosa 19-11.75; 6. Collin McDonald, SA Central 19-10.5

Triple jump: 1. Dexter Neboh, Permian 45-9.75; 2. Christian Hayes, Lubb. Coronado 44-6; 3. Ian Johnson, Lee 44-0.5; 4. Austin Beasley, Ama. Tascosa 43-0; 5. Suade Fisher, Ama. Tascosa 42-11.75; 6. Broderick Harrell, Frenship 42-7.5

Shot put: 1. Joseph Boyd, Ama. Tascosa 52-10; 2. Thomas Britt, Amarillo High 48-2.5; 3. Shaquille Lee, Lee 46-10.5; 4. Samuel Llanas, Frenship 46-9.5; 5. Austin Patterson, Frenship 46-9; 6. Tate Stavenhagen, Amarillo High

Discus: 1. Joseph Boyd, Ama. Tascosa 156-0; 2. Aeden Bempong, Amarillo High 151-5; 3. Michael Whitfield, Permian 148-10; 4. Travis Rasberry, Frenship 147-2; 5. Jon Fernn, Ama. Tascosa 146-1; 6. Emoree Giddons, Lubb. Coronado 130-7

**Running events**

100: 1. De Andre Goodley, MHS 10.59; 2. Lonnie Norris, Lubbock High 10.85; 3. Nick Dow, Amarillo High 11.00; 4. Terry Sims, Lee 11.00; 5. Vincent Johnson, Lubb. Monterey 11.18; 6. Dexter Neboh, Permian 11.24

200: 1. Malik Shinsako, Permian 22.09; 2. Julian Jones, Ama. Tascosa 22.46; 3. Erin Lopez, Lubbock High 22.75; 4. Kolby Robinson, Permian 23.07; 5. Zach Stance, Permian 23.27; 6. Michael Houston, Lubb. Coronado 23.34

400: 1. Alex Plunk, Ama. Tascosa 50.09; 2. Traven Martin, Amarillo High 50.15; 3. Bryce Hoppel, MHS 50.81; 4. Brandon Humphries, Ama. Tascosa 50.90; 5. Jarod Mannion, Frenship 50.94; 6. Robert McLane, SA Central 52.60

800: 1. Mitchell Morgan, SA Central 2:01.30; 2. Austin Watson, MHS 2:01.75; 3. Kole Bryan, Canyon 2:02.55; 4. Tony Martinez, Ama. Tascosa 2:03.52; 5. Josia Baker, Frenship 2:03.73; 6. Matthew Noriega, Ama. Tascosa 2:04.21

1,600: 1. Zach Cabrera, SA Central 4:38.17; 2. Matthew Noriega, Ama. Tascosa 4:39.22; 3. Briggs Wittlake, Ama. Tascosa 4:40.07; 4. Austin Watson, MHS 4:43.07; 5. Ruben Guerra, MHS 4:44.14; 6. Cade Cobb, Amarillo High 4:44.83

3,200: 1. Zach Cabrera, SA Central 9:49.44; 2. Reid Splawn, Ama. Tascosa 10:02.38; 3. Briggs Wittlake, Ama. Tascosa 10:03.26; 4. Ruben Guerra, MHS 10:06.20; 5. Cade Cobb, Amarillo High 10:22.10; 6. Jacob Wilhelm, Canyon 10:25.57

110 hurdles: 1. Christian Carroll, Frenship 14.99; 2. Cory Williams, Ama. Tascosa 15.01; 3. Rodney Boit, Ama. Tascosa 15.01; 4. Luke West, SA Central 15.25; 5. Kameron Deputy, Ama. Tascosa 15.39; 6. Denim Rogers, Lee 15.61

300 hurdles: 1. Cory Williams, Ama. Tascosa 40.42; 2. Rodney Boit, Ama. Tascosa 40.76; 3. Luke West, SA Central 41.65; 4. Christopher Meachum, Lubbock High 42.45; 5. Grant Gillispie, Amarillo High 42.62; 6. Trey Rodriguez, Frenship 43.53

400 relay: 1. Midland High 42.94; 2. Frenship 43.45; 3. Lubb. Coronado 43.50; 4. Ama. Tascosa 43.67; 5. Permian 43.74; 6. Lubbock High 43.86

800 relay: 1. Frenship 1:29.31; 2. Permian 1:30.04; 3. Ama. Tascosa 1:30.34; 4. Lubbock High 1:30.60; 5. Midland High 1:30.68; 6. Lee 1:30.77

1,600 relay: 1. Ama. Tascosa 3:24.43; 2. Frenship 3:25.24; 3. Lee 3:26.95; 4. SA Central 3:30.41; 5. Midland High 3:33.06; 6. Permian 3:33.68

# SATURDAYINTHENBA

FROM WIRE REPORTS

**STANDINGS**
**EASTERN CONFERENCE**

| Atlantic Division | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| x-Toronto | 41 | 31 | .569 | — |
| Brooklyn | 38 | 33 | .535 | 2 1/2 |
| New York | 30 | 43 | .411 | 11 1/2 |
| Boston | 23 | 49 | .319 | 18 |
| Philadelphia | 16 | 57 | .219 | 25 1/2 |
| **Southeast Division** | **W** | **L** | **Pct** | **GB** |
| y-Miami | 50 | 22 | .694 | — |
| Washington | 38 | 35 | .521 | 12 1/2 |
| Charlotte | 35 | 38 | .479 | 15 1/2 |
| Atlanta | 31 | 41 | .431 | 19 |
| Orlando | 21 | 52 | .288 | 29 1/2 |
| **Central Division** | **W** | **L** | **Pct** | **GB** |
| y-Indiana | 52 | 21 | .712 | — |
| x-Chicago | 40 | 32 | .556 | 11 1/2 |
| Cleveland | 29 | 45 | .392 | 23 1/2 |
| Detroit | 26 | 47 | .356 | 26 |
| Milwaukee | 14 | 59 | .192 | 38 |

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**

| Southwest Division | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| x-San Antonio | 57 | 16 | .781 | — |
| Houston | 49 | 23 | .681 | 7 1/2 |
| Memphis | 43 | 29 | .597 | 13 1/2 |
| Dallas | 44 | 30 | .595 | 13 1/2 |
| New Orleans | 32 | 41 | .438 | 25 |
| **Northwest Division** | **W** | **L** | **Pct** | **GB** |
| x-Oklahoma City | 53 | 19 | .736 | — |
| Portland | 47 | 27 | .635 | 7 |
| Minnesota | 36 | 35 | .507 | 16 1/2 |
| Denver | 32 | 41 | .438 | 21 1/2 |
| Utah | 23 | 50 | .315 | 30 1/2 |
| **Pacific Division** | **W** | **L** | **Pct** | **GB** |
| L.A. Clippers | 52 | 22 | .703 | — |
| Golden State | 45 | 27 | .625 | 6 |
| Phoenix | 44 | 29 | .603 | 7 1/2 |
| Sacramento | 25 | 48 | .342 | 26 1/2 |
| L.A. Lakers | 24 | 48 | .333 | 27 |

x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division

**Saturday's Scores**
Philadelphia 123, Detroit 98
L.A. Clippers 118, Houston 107
Washington 101, Atlanta 97
Dallas 103, Sacramento 100
Miami 88, Milwaukee 67
San Antonio 96, New Orleans 80

**Today's Games**
Utah at Oklahoma City, 2 p.m.
Indiana at Cleveland, 2 p.m.
Toronto at Orlando, 5 p.m.
Minnesota at Brooklyn, 5 p.m.
Chicago at Boston, 6 p.m.
New York at Golden State, 8 p.m.
Memphis at Portland, 8 p.m.
Phoenix at L.A. Lakers, 8:30 p.m.

**SATURDAY'S BOXES**

**MAVERICKS 103, KINGS 100**

**SACRAMENTO (100):** Gay 11-19 8-10 30, Evans 3-5 0-1 6, Cousins 8-15 1-3 17, McCallum 7-17 0-0 16, McLemore 4-9 1-1 10, Williams 1-2 2-2 4, Outlaw 3-7 0-0 6, Thompson 5-7 1-2 11, Acy 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 42-81 13-19 100.

**DALLAS (103):** Marion 5-7 3-3 14, Nowitzki 5-10 9-10 19, Dalembert 7-8 1-2 15, Calderon 4-11 0-0 11, Ellis 5-12 6-8 17, Carter 4-10 0-0 10, Blair 0-2 2-2 2, Harris 0-4 3-6 3, Crowder 2-4 2-2 6, Wright 2-2 2-2 6. Totals 34-70 28-35 103.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sacramento | 19 | 23 | 28 | 30 | — 100 |
| Dallas | 26 | 28 | 18 | 31 | — 103 |

3-Point Goals—Sacramento 3-10 (McCallum 2-4, McLemore 1-2, Gay 0-1, Williams 0-1, Outlaw 0-2), Dallas 7-23 (Calderon 3-8, Carter 2-6, Marion 1-1, Ellis 1-3, Harris 0-1, Nowitzki 0-2, Crowder 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Sacramento 50 (Evans 18), Dallas 38 (Nowitzki 7). Assists—Sacramento 17 (McCallum 8), Dallas 28 (Nowitzki, Calderon 7). Total Fouls—Sacramento 29, Dallas 18. Technicals—Sacramento Coach Malone, Thompson. A—20,210 (19,200).

**SPURS 96, PELICANS 80**

**NEW ORLEANS (80):** Aminu 3-5 2-3 8, Ajinca 1-6 0-0 2, Stiemsma 1-3 0-0 2, Evans 4-13 3-4 11, Morrow 2-6 2-2 6, Babbitt 3-7 0-0 8, Rivers 8-18 0-0 16, Roberts 7-16 3-3 18, Miller 1-5 0-0 2, Withey 2-2 3-4 7. Totals 32-81 13-16 80.

**SAN ANTONIO (96):** Leonard 4-9 5-6 15, Duncan 5-9 2-5 12, Diaw 3-8 0-0 6, Parker 1-5 0-0 2, Belinelli 7-11 0-0 18, Ginobili 7-10 1-1 15, Ayres 4-6 1-2 9, Daye 0-2 0-0 0, Mills 4-11 2-2 13, Joseph 0-4 2-4 2, Baynes 2-3 0-0 4. Totals 37-78 13-20 96.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| New Orleans | 15 | 20 | 24 | 21 | — 80 |
| San Antonio | 28 | 24 | 18 | 26 | — 96 |

3-Point Goals—New Orleans 3-12 (Babbitt 2-2, Roberts 1-2, Morrow 0-1, Aminu 0-1, Miller 0-1, Evans 0-2, Rivers 0-3), San Antonio 9-21 (Belinelli 4-5, Mills 3-8, Leonard 2-4, Joseph 0-1, Diaw 0-1, Ginobili 0-1, Daye 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New Orleans 49 (Aminu 10), San Antonio 51 (Duncan 8). Assists—New Orleans 16 (Roberts 5), San Antonio 24 (Duncan 6). Total Fouls—New Orleans 19, San Antonio 16. Technicals—San Antonio defensive three second. A—18,581 (18,797).

**CLIPPERS 118, ROCKETS 107**

**L.A. CLIPPERS (118):** Barnes 6-15 0-0 15, Griffin 2-3 3-3 7, Jordan 7-10 6-14 20, Paul 10-16 5-6 30, Collison 4-14 2-4 11, Dudley 2-4 0-0 4, Crawford 7-15 5-8 22, Bullock 0-2 0-0 0, Davis 0-2 0-0 0, Turkoglu 1-2 1-1 3, Hollins 2-2 0-0 4, Green 1-4 0-0 2. Totals 42-89 22-36 118.

**HOUSTON (107):** Parsons 9-19 9-11 28, Jones 1-4 0-2 2, Asik 5-9 2-2 12, Lin 1-9 8-8 10, Harden 9-22 11-13 32, Motiejunas 3-8 0-1 6, Casspi 0-1 0-0 0, Canaan 3-5 6-8 14, Garcia 1-2 0-0 3. Totals 32-79 36-45 107.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| L.A. Clippers | 23 | 38 | 27 | 30 | — 118 |
| Houston | 33 | 25 | 26 | 23 | — 107 |

3-Point Goals—L.A. Clippers 12-41 (Paul 5-9, Crawford 3-9, Barnes 3-10, Collison 1-7, Dudley 0-1, Bullock 0-2, Green 0-3), Houston 7-25 (Harden 3-11, Canaan 2-4, Garcia 1-2, Parsons 1-5, Lin 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—L.A. Clippers 59 (Jordan 12), Houston 58 (Asik 11). Assists—L.A. Clippers 26 (Paul 12), Houston 14 (Harden 6). Total Fouls—L.A. Clippers 29, Houston 25. Technicals—Paul, L.A. Clippers defensive three second. A—18,337 (18,023).

**76ERS 123, PISTONS 98**

**DETROIT (98):** Smith 2-8 0-0 4, Monroe 7-16 6-8 20, Drummond 3-5 2-6 8, Jennings 1-5 0-0 2, Singler 3-6 2-2 10, Stuckey 3-11 11-11 17, Jerebko 3-4 2-2 10, Bynum 2-11 1-1 5, Caldwell-Pope 6-12 2-2 16, Siva 1-4 0-0 2, Mitchell 1-1 0-0 2, Datome 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 33-85 26-32 98.

**PHILADELPHIA (123):** Thompson 5-8 0-0 14, Young 9-17 1-1 21, Sims 8-14 0-0 16, Carter-Williams 6-14 8-10 21, Anderson 2-8 0-0 5, Varnado 4-8 1-1 9, Wroten 2-6 1-2 6, Williams 5-8 2-3 13, Davies 2-2 0-0 4, Ware 3-5 2-2 8, Nunnally 2-2 0-0 6. Totals 48-92 15-19 123.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Detroit | 23 | 28 | 17 | 30 | — 98 |
| Philadelphia | 33 | 37 | 28 | 25 | — 123 |

3-Point Goals—Detroit 6-21 (Jerebko 2-3, Singler 2-3, Caldwell-Pope 2-5, Siva 0-1, Stuckey 0-1, Datome 0-1, Bynum 0-2, Jennings 0-2, Smith 0-3), Philadelphia 12-21 (Thompson 4-4, Nunnally 2-2, Young 2-4, Carter-Williams 1-2, Williams 1-2, Anderson 1-3, Wroten 1-3, Ware 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Detroit 54 (Monroe 10), Philadelphia 52 (Sims, Carter-Williams 7). Assists—Detroit 20 (Siva, Stuckey 4), Philadelphia 29 (Wroten 9). Total Fouls—Detroit 20, Philadelphia 25. Technicals—Jennings 2, Smith. Ejected—Jennings. A—17,438 (20,328).

**WIZARDS 101, HAWKS 97**

**ATLANTA (97):** Martin 5-8 1-2 13, Millsap 5-13 5-8 17, Antic 5-10 2-2 13, Teague 8-17 1-1 19, Mack 2-6 0-0 5, Muscala 1-6 0-0 2, Williams 4-10 4-5 12, Scott 2-5 4-4 8, Schroder 2-5 3-6 8. Totals 34-80 20-28 97.

**WASHINGTON (101):** Ariza 4-6 4-4 13, Booker 0-4 0-0 0, Gortat 6-11 0-2 12, Wall 10-20 2-6 25, Beal 5-15 4-4 14, Gooden 5-5 5-7 16, Webster 3-7 0-0 6, Harrington 2-7 0-0 5, Miller 4-4 2-2 10, Temple 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 39-79 17-25 101.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Atlanta | 27 | 25 | 19 | 26 | — 97 |
| Washington | 28 | 22 | 25 | 26 | — 101 |

3-Point Goals—Atlanta 9-31 (Martin 2-5, Teague 2-5, Millsap 2-6, Schroder 1-2, Mack 1-3, Antic 1-4, Scott 0-2, Williams 0-4), Washington 6-14 (Wall 3-4, Gooden 1-1, Ariza 1-2, Harrington 1-3, Beal 0-1, Webster 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Atlanta 52 (Antic 12), Washington 50 (Gortat 11). Assists—Atlanta 20 (Mack 6), Washington 17 (Wall 6). Total Fouls—Atlanta 22, Washington 22. Technicals—Atlanta defensive three second. Flagrant Fouls—Miller. A—17,996 (20,308).

**HEAT 88, BUCKS 67**

**MIAMI (88):** James 5-10 2-4 13, Haslem 2-4 0-0 4, Bosh 4-10 6-6 14, Douglas 5-10 2-2 13, Jones 4-6 0-0 10, Andersen 3-8 2-4 8, Cole 2-8 0-0 4, Battier 1-3 0-0 3, Lewis 4-10 4-4 13, Hamilton 2-4 1-1 6, Beasley 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 32-74 17-21 88.

**MILWAUKEE (67):** Middleton 4-11 0-0 10, Adrien 1-5 2-2 4, Pachulia 2-6 0-0 4, Knight 6-18 0-0 13, Sessions 5-15 4-5 15, Henson 6-11 0-2 12, Antetokounmpo 0-5 1-2 1, Udoh 1-3 0-0 2, Stephens 2-5 1-1 5, Raduljica 0-0 1-2 1. Totals 27-79 9-14 67.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Miami | 21 | 25 | 19 | 23 | — 88 |
| Milwaukee | 12 | 17 | 17 | 21 | — 67 |

3-Point Goals—Miami 7-23 (Jones 2-3, Battier 1-1, Hamilton 1-2, Lewis 1-3, James 1-3, Douglas 1-4, Beasley 0-1, Bosh 0-2, Cole 0-4), Milwaukee 4-14 (Middleton 2-2, Sessions 1-4, Knight 1-7, Antetokounmpo 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Miami 51 (Andersen 14), Milwaukee 52 (Henson 10). Assists—Miami 18 (Douglas, Cole 4), Milwaukee 15 (Knight 5). Total Fouls—Miami 12, Milwaukee 16. A—17,986 (18,717).

# Astros slam Rangers for Alamodome sweep

*Associated Press*

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| Astros | 13 |
| Rangers | 6 |

SAN ANTONIO — Jesus Guzman and George Springer hit consecutive home runs in the first inning, Jonathan Meyer had a grand slam in the fifth and the Houston Astros rolled to a 13-6 victory over the Texas Rangers in the Alamodome on Saturday.

"I was seeing the pitches good today and trying to put the ball in play. It worked," Guzman said.

Nolan Fontana added a three-run shot in the seventh to help the Astros sweep two weekend games in the Alamodome, designed primarily for football and special events such as the NCAA Final Four. With an odd configuration for baseball, the building hosted Rangers spring training games for the second straight year.

Leonys Martin hit a solo shot to right-center for Texas, which opens the regular season Monday afternoon at home against the Philadelphia Phillies.

Houston plays El Aguila de Veracruz in its exhibition finale Sunday before hosting the New York Yankees in the season opener Tuesday night.

**STARTING TIME**

**Astros:** Dallas Keuchel looked sharp in his final outing of the spring against a potent Rangers offense.

"I felt really good. That's a pretty good lineup over there," he said. "I felt like I held my own. It was nice to compete against a prestigious lineup that the Rangers have. I'm pretty pleased with the outing."

**Rangers:** Joe Saunders stayed in the game after taking a ball off his left knee on a hit by Marwin Gonzalez, the second batter he faced, and giving up the home runs to Guzman and Springer.

"My knee bothered me a little bit, but I told myself that you can't come out of this game," he said. "You have to get your pitches in and get your work done.

**Regular season standings**

**American League**

| East Division | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Baltimore | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| Boston | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| New York | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| Tampa Bay | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| Toronto | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| **Central Division** | **W** | **L** | **Pct** | **GB** |
| Chicago | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| Cleveland | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| Detroit | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| Kansas City | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| Minnesota | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| **West Division** | **W** | **L** | **Pct** | **GB** |
| Houston | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| Los Angeles | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| Oakland | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| Seattle | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| Texas | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |

**Saturday's Scores**
No games scheduled
**Today's Games**
No games scheduled

**National League**

| East Division | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Atlanta | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| Miami | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| New York | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| Philadelphia | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| Washington | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| **Central Division** | **W** | **L** | **Pct** | **GB** |
| Chicago | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| Cincinnati | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| Milwaukee | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| Pittsburgh | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| St. Louis | 0 | 0 | .000 | — |
| **West Division** | **W** | **L** | **Pct** | **GB** |
| Los Angeles | 2 | 0 | 1.000 | — |
| Colorado | 0 | 0 | .000 | 1 |
| San Diego | 0 | 0 | .000 | 1 |
| San Francisco | 0 | 0 | .000 | 1 |
| Arizona | 0 | 2 | .000 | 2 |

**Saturday's Scores**
No games scheduled
**Today's Game**
L.A. Dodgers (Ryu 1-0) at San Diego (Cashner 0-0), 7:05 p.m.

# UTPBROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

**BASEBALL**
**FALCONS COMPLETE SWEEP OF OPSU**

ODESSA — The UTPB baseball team beat Oklahoma Panhandle State 2-1 on Saturday to complete a three-game sweep of their Heartland Conference series at Roden Field.

The Falcons' Lance Fairchild pitched the complete game, going nine innings and allowing the one run on nine hits with eight strikeouts. Neil Madsen led the Falcons at the plate with a 2-for-3 performance and one RBI.

UTPB (17-16, 8-7) will take on St. Mary's in a Heartland Conference series, beginning Friday at 3 p.m. in San Antonio.

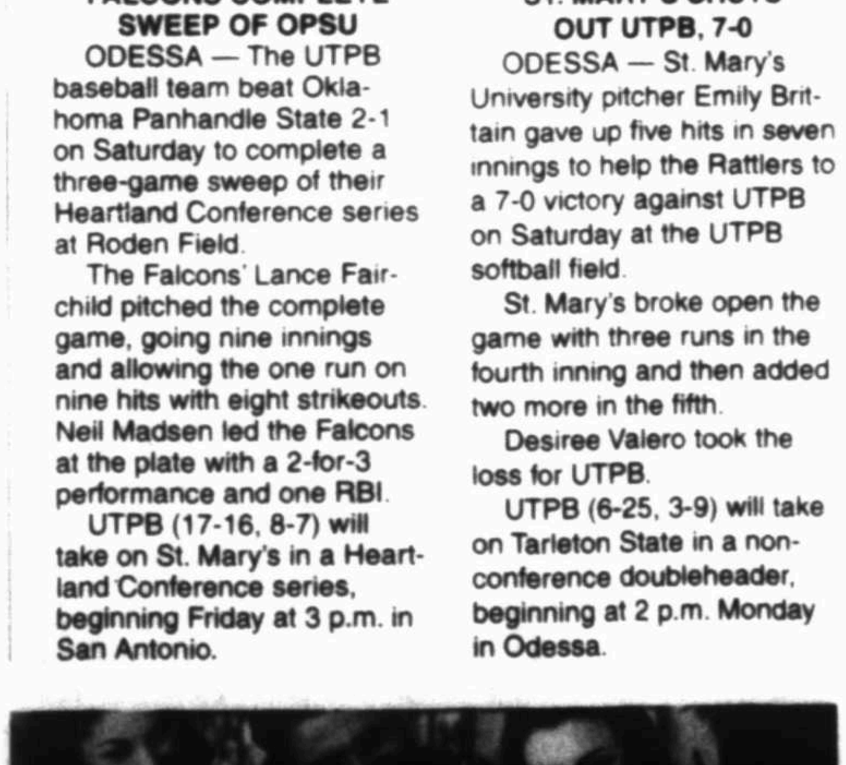
**SOFTBALL**
**ST. MARY'S SHUTS OUT UTPB, 7-0**

ODESSA — St. Mary's University pitcher Emily Brittain gave up five hits in seven innings to help the Rattlers to a 7-0 victory against UTPB on Saturday at the UTPB softball field.

St. Mary's broke open the game with three runs in the fourth inning and then added two more in the fifth.

Desiree Valero took the loss for UTPB.

UTPB (6-25, 3-9) will take on Tarleton State in a non-conference doubleheader, beginning at 2 p.m. Monday in Odessa.



# TEXASTECHSPRINGGAMENOTEBOOK

BY OSCAR LEROY AND LEN HAYWARD

### TAUSCH GETS MORE REPS

Texas Tech coach Kliff Kingsbury said backup quarterback Tanner Tausch is still learning the system and his development is a work in progress.

Tausch is a junior walk-on transfer from Kilgore College and is currently the No. 2 quarterback behind Davis Webb. Webb was left as the only scholarship quarterback on the roster after two other scholarship quarterbacks and walk-on Baker Mayfield decided to transfer at the end of last semester.

Tausch guided the second-team offense in Saturday's scrimmage. He didn't lead the unit to a touchdown, but Ryan Bustin hit field goals from 33 and 28 yards to culminate two scoring drives.

"I thought he operated well," said Kingsbury of Tausch. "We didn't put the football in the end zone as much as we would have liked, but he's about two weeks into the system."

### MARQUEZ AT HOLDER

In addition to his duties as inside receiver, Odessa High grad and senior-to-be Bradley Marquez was used as a holder during Saturday's scrimmage.

That was the first time Marquez has ever been used as holder but said he's enjoying that role.

"It's pretty new, but it's second nature," Marquez said. "You just catch and put it down. There's not much to it, just get it down and letting (the kicker) do the rest."

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Backup quarterback Tanner Tausch takes a snap for the second team Saturday at the Texas Tech scrimmage at Grande Communications Stadium.

Kingsbury said the move was the call of new special teams coordinator Darrin Chiaverini but added that he's not surprised to see Marquez be a good bolder.

"He has some of the best hands on the team and he wanted to do it," Kingsbury said.

### MARQUEZ MAY NOT PLAY BASEBALL THIS SUMMER

For the past couple of summers, Marquez has gone to play pro baseball with the New York Mets organization, but Kinsgbury revealed on Saturday that he might stay in Lubbock over the summer.

"He's going to stick around this summer, which is going to be huge for us as a team and his leadership to be here all summer," Kingsbury said. "I think you'll see that evolution as a player to get that work in the summer instead of having to make it up for fall camp."

However, Marquez did not indicate that he would be in Lubbock this summer instead of playing baseball.

### RED RAIDERS APPRECIATIVE OF THE CROWD

Texas Tech athletic officials estimated a crowd of 10,150 during Saturday's scrimmage and the Red Raider coaches and players couldn't have been more appreciative of the support on their second trip to Midland.

"The atmosphere is great," said rising senior running back/linebacker Kenny Williams. "We had a great turnout. The fans really came out here and supported us and really got the energy into the game."

Added Kingsbury, "It was incredible, even better than last year. We pulled up and the parking lot is full and the kids are excited, the crowd is lively. We can't thank the Midland community enough. It's a great day, and it's great to be a part of it."

Marquez, who is from Odessa, said he's pretty sure there were plenty of friends and family in the stands. And unlike last year when he sat out the scrimmage, he got a chance to play on Saturday and scored on an 18-yard TD reception.

"The crowd was rocking and we're just glad to play in front of somebody," Marquez said. "It's good to get that game-like atmosphere. It's been a great event. We've been here two years in a row now and it's fun to come back home."

### NUNEZ SEES TIME ON DEFENSIVE LINE

Former Lee quarterback Talor Nunez, who is listed as a redshirt freshman, was part of the defensive line rotation on Saturday.

Nunez, who was wearing No. 59 on Saturday, played mainly at defensive end.

## TECH

From 1C

Every touchdown the Red Raiders scored in front the enthusiastic crowd came with the first-team offense.

Webb and the offense began the scrimmage with a methodical 12-play, 75-yard drive that was capped off with a 3-yard touchdown run by DeAndre Washington.

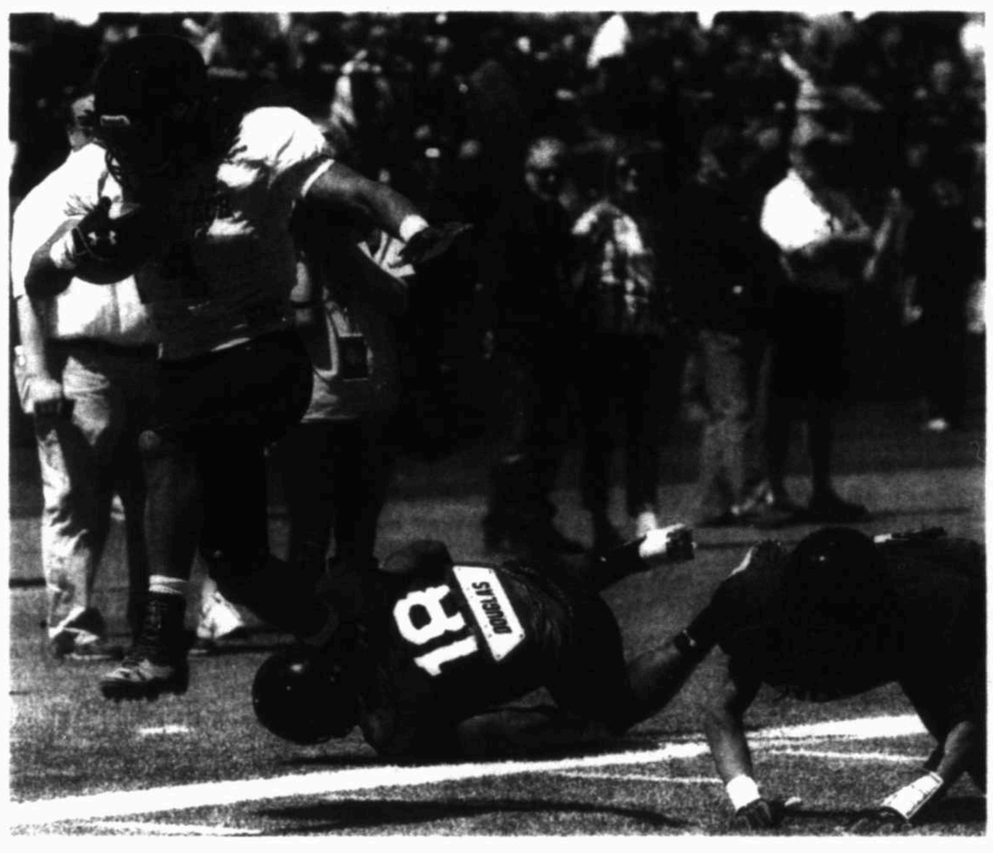
The rest of the scores came courtesy of Webb's arm.

He first found Reginald Davis for a 10-yard score on the second possession. Then he threw a short pass to Odessa High grad and senior inside receiver Bradley Marquez, who then used his speed and legs to score from 18 yards out.

"He was throwing well," said Marquez about Webb's play on Saturday. "But that's what he does day in and day out, so it's coming to be expected from everybody. He does a great job with that. He loves playing the game. We rally around him, he leads the way and everybody follows him. He's a great quarterback."

Webb also connected on a nice 26-yard TD toss to Dylan Cantrell, and then saved the best for last when he found the speedy D.J. Polite-Bray down the far sidelines for a 60-yard scoring bomb.

"It's just what he's been doing all spring," said Texas Tech coach Kliff Kingsbury about Webb's performance. "He's really been focused, really been locked in and we had some receivers out there making plays for him, so they were fun to watch."



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Odessa High grad Bradley Marquez leaps over players on his way to a touchdown Saturday during Texas Tech's scrimmage at Grande Communications Stadium.

Kingsbury said throwing the ball downfield more has been a point of emphasis this spring. With Webb's strong arm, the second-year coach is confident the Red Raiders will have success in doing that this fall.

"I thought last year we had to play within a 20-yard box most of the time," Kingsbury said. "Davis has a great arm to throw it down there and see what happens."

Webb said his arm strength is just one of the many things he's been working on this spring.

"I've worked really hard," he said. "Just knowing how to read defenses better, increasing my arm strength, working on my accuracy, footwork. There are so many things I can improve on, being a better person off the field, everything."

Webb has also added on about 20 extra pounds from a year ago.

"It's incredible," Webb said. "I'm about 213-215 now, so five more pounds to go at least. You can tell that the ball comes out of my hands with a little more zip that it did last year."

There are plenty of noticeable differences in Webb as compared to the last time he was in Midland for a scrimmage, and now that he is the presumed starter going into next season, he says he's not feeling any pressure to reach those expectations.

"My job is to make the coach's decision (to start somebody else) that much harder. That's how I approached it last year," Webb said. "I left the decision to him to start those other guys last year. My job is try to make that decision hard on him, and that's what I try to do every day."

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## MIDDLETON

From 1C

Middleton said after Saturday's scrimmage. "You have to depend on your assignments and stuff, and on offense you've got to worry about blocking. I kind of like defense. I can use my athleticism more at corner way better than at receiver."

Middleton has certainly met the challenge of the transition, and his speed an athleticism will add some depth to the position, but he still has to overcome the learning curve and the transition.

So far, though, cornerbacks coach Kevin Curtis said Middleton is doing all the right things.

"He was really open to the move," said Curtis, who also played for the Red Raiders. "He's a guy that has a lot of speed. But he's got quickness, and he's learning and learning fast. He's getting a million reps so it's good for him. It's been a smooth transition."

Curtis said the coaching staff started thinking about moving Middleton to defense in the fall, and he's been learning on the run ever since.

And Curtis added that Middleton is dedicated to getting better, which could help him find some more playing time in the fall.

"He'll come meet extra, and he's always looking at his (playbook), and he'll do the little things to try to be better," Curtis said. "It's going to be on him. He's getting a million reps right now, and he's going to be in the mix of things to get on the field."

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**TOP:** Texas Tech coach Kliff Kingsbury talks with a player after a series at Saturday's spring scrimmage at Grande. **RIGHT:** Lee grad and Texas Tech redshirt freshman Talor Nunez, right, fights off a block as he goes after the quarterback. The Red Raiders made their second trip to the Tall City for a spring scrimmage.

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Lynne Sladky/AP

Serena Williams reacts against Li Na during the final at the Sony Open on Saturday in Key Biscayne, Fla.

# Serena Williams beats Li Na for Sony Open title

By Steven Wine
*Associated Press*

**Sony Open**

Results
Saturday
At The Tennis Center at Crandon Park
Key Biscayne, Fla.
Purse: Men, $5.66 million (Masters 1000); Women, $5.66 million (Premier)
Surface: Hard-Outdoor
Singles
Women
Championship
Serena Williams (1), United States, def. Li Na (2), China, 7-5, 6-1.

KEY BISCAYNE, Fla. — The celebration began with a series of happy hops that propelled Serena Williams across the court. Soon she was twirling, waving, laughing and mugging for the cameras — a familiar ritual by a perennial champion.

Williams won a record seventh Key Biscayne title Saturday when she overcame a slow start and a set point to beat Li Na 7-5, 6-1 at the Sony Open.

Williams surpassed the tournament record of six titles she shared with Andre Agassi. But on a muggy spring afternoon, the No. 1-ranked Williams looked sluggish at the outset and served poorly, and she was broken twice to fall behind 5-2.

"At that moment I felt like I had nothing to lose," Williams said. "I just was able to relax. Whenever I relax, I enjoy myself."

Li held a set point serving at 5-4, but Williams erased it with a backhand winner.

Williams needed another 21 minutes to pull out the set. The final game of the set went to deuce six times, but she finally won it with a booming backhand that Li couldn't handle.

Williams ran to her chair with a satisfied scream, her left fist leading the way. She dominated from there, sweeping the final five games, and closed out the victory with a service winner.

The 17-time Grand Slam champion has more titles at Key Biscayne than at any other tournament. She's the fourth woman in the Open era to win an event at least seven times.

"I think we're going to have to rename this tournament," former top-five player Mary Joe Fernandez said during the trophy ceremony.

Both finalists are 32, and they shared lots of smiles during the trophy ceremony. Li explained: "We were talking about, 'For sure before the match they say, "Oh, two old women."'"

They're close in age, but it's a commentary on the yawning gap between Williams and the rest of the women's tour that she won in straight sets against the No. 2-ranked player while playing less than her best. She made only 44 percent of her first serves and converted just five of 17 break-point chances.

Even so, Williams extended her winning streak against top-10 opponents to 15 matches. She beat Li for the 10th time in a row since 2009.

# Bowditch leads Texas Open

By Tim Price
*Associated Press*

SAN ANTONIO — Steven Bowditch opened a three-stroke lead Saturday in the Texas Open, while Phil Mickelson withdrew after 10 holes because of a pulled muscle in his right side.

Bowditch, the 30-year-old Australian seeking his first PGA Tour title, shot a 4-under 68 to reach 12 under at TPC San Antonio. Matt Kuchar and Andrew Loupe were tied for second. Kuchar shot 65, and Loupe had a 70.

Mickelson withdrew after pulling the muscle teeing off on No. 1 — his 10th hole of the round. He hopes to play next week in the Houston Open, the last event before the Masters. Lefty was 1-over par in the round and 4 over overall when he pulled out.

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# Walker powers Texas A&M women past DePaul

By Eric Olson
*Associated Press*

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| Aggies | 84 |
| Blue Demons | 65 |

LINCOLN, Neb. — Courtney Walker is playing her best basketball of the season for Texas A&M. She is going to have to be even better in her next game.

Walker scored 25 points, and the Aggies beat DePaul 84-65 on Saturday night to advance to the regional finals of the NCAA women's tournament.

"The competition goes up," Walker said, "your play has to go up."

Walker and the Aggies will have to be at their best Monday night when they face defending national champion Connecticut, which defeated BYU 70-51 in the other semifinal for its 43rd win in a row.

"If we follow our game plan, play hard and not worry about the fact it says UConn on their jersey, we'll be fine," point guard Jordan Jones said. "So many get caught up in the hype of it being UConn. It's that mental aspect of it."

The Aggies (27-8) led the Blue Demons by 14 points at halftime and turned back two runs to win a third straight tournament game by at least 15 points.

"Yes, we can score points," Aggies coach Gary Blair said, "but we can defend, too."

DePaul (29-7) shot 40 percent against A&M's man-to-man defense, 28 percent in the first half. In their first two tournament games, the Blue Demons shot 45 percent while making a combined 25 3-pointers. They were just 4 of 20 from long distance against A&M.

"They played great defense and took away our jump shots," Megan Rogowski said. "They get into you. We needed to drive the ball more. You saw that in the second half when we made a run. But it was too late."

Courtney Williams had 14 of her 15 points in the second half for the Aggies. Karla Gilbert and Jordan Jones had 11 points apiece and Tori Scott scored 10.

Walker stepped up when the Aggies needed her the most. She's averaging 22.6 points over the last five games.

"She can stop, pop and rise. She's got that intermediate game, and very few people have that," DePaul coach Doug Bruno said. "She's a high-percentage 3-point shooter. Once we went to the zone, she was able to knock them down from out there."

The sophomore guard scored 13 points over a nine-minute stretch of the first half when the Aggies' lead grew from seven to 13 points. The Aggies led by 22 in the second half when Walker went the bench with three fouls, and DePaul went on an 11-2 run to close to 57-44.

Texas A&M got its lead back to 17 points, but the Blue Demons pulled to 10 with 6 minutes left. The Aggies then used a 12-2 spurt to make it a 20-point game again.

Jasmine Penny had 16 of her 24 points in the second half and Rogowski added 14 points for the Blue Demons. Megan Podkowa had 11 points, nine rebounds and four blocked shots.

Walker also starred on the defensive end, holding Brittany Hrynko to three points. Hrynko had a total of 33 against Oklahoma and Duke in the first two rounds of the tournament. Jones made five of the Aggies' 10 steals and held Chanise Jenkins, who had 25 points the last two games, to three.

Nati Harnik/AP

Texas A&M's Courtney Walker (33) blocks a shot by DePaul's Jessica January (14) during the first half of a regional semifinal Saturday in in Lincoln, Neb.

The Aggies are in the Elite Eight for the third time since 2008 and first since they won the national title in 2011.

DePaul had won nine in a row. The Blue Demons were in the tournament for the 12th straight year and in the Sweet 16 for the third time. They had beaten Oklahoma 104-100 and second-seeded Duke 74-65 in the tournament and came in averaging 84 points for the season. Their 65 points matched their season low.

Walker scored eight points in a 10-2 run that put the Aggies in control in the first half. Her jumper made it 34-21, and the Aggies led 38-24 at the break.

"I'm just trying to find open shots when a lot of teams try to double the post," Walker said. "Karla gives us some good points in there. When they double her, I have to be ready on the back side."

# NCAA MEN'S TOURNEY ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

**SOUTH REGIONAL**
**FLORIDA 62**
**DAYTON 52**

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — The Florida Gators are first yet again this season.

Scottie Wilbekin scored 14 of his 23 points in the first half, and Florida became the first team to advance to the Final Four with a 62-52 win Saturday night over the 11th-seeded Dayton Flyers in the South Region final.

The Gators reached their fifth Final Four after losing at this point in each of the past three NCAA tournaments. This time, they came in as the country's top-ranked team and the overall No. 1 seed.

Florida won its 30th straight game and improved to 36-2, topping the 35 wins by the 2007 national championship squad.

Patric Young scored 12 points, and Michael Frazier II added 10 for Florida.

Dyshawn Pierre led the Flyers (26-11) with 18 points.

**WISCONSIN 64**
**ARIZONA 63, OT**

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Wisconsin bumped and grinded its way into the Final Four.

Frank Kaminsky had 28 points and 11 rebounds for Wisconsin, rallying the Badgers to a 64-63 overtime victory against Arizona in the West Region final Saturday night.

The Badgers (30-7) advanced to their first Final Four appearance since 2000 on Saturday night, and first for 69-year-old coach Bo Ryan, who earned his 704th career victory.

Nick Johnson had the ball with a chance to win, but he missed a shot that came just after the buzzer for Arizona (33-5), the top-seeded team that has yet to win a West Region final in Anaheim in four tries. Johnson led the Wildcats with 16 points, and Aaron Gordon had 18 rebounds in the relentlessly physical game.

# MEN'S TOURNEY SCORES & SCHEDULES

**NCAA Tournament Glance**
**EAST REGIONAL**
**Third Round**
**Saturday, March 22**
**At First Niagara Center**
**Buffalo, N.Y.**
UConn 77, Villanova 65
**At Spokane Arena**
**Spokane, Wash.**
Michigan State 80, Harvard 73
**Sunday, March 23**
**At PNC Arena**
**Raleigh, N.C.**
Virginia 78, Memphis 60
**At The AT&T Center**
**San Antonio**
Iowa State 85, North Carolina 83
**Regional Semifinals**
**At Madison Square Garden**
**New York**
**Today**
UConn 81, Iowa State 76
Michigan State 61, Virginia 59
**Regional Championship**
**Today**
UConn (29-8) vs. Michigan State (29-8), 1:20 p.m.

**SOUTH REGIONAL**
**Third Round**
**Saturday, March 22**
**At First Niagara Center**
**Buffalo, N.Y.**
Dayton 55, Syracuse 53
**At The Amway Center**
**Orlando, Fla.**
Florida 61, Pittsburgh 45
**Sunday, March 23**
**At Scottrade Center**
**St. Louis**
Stanford 60, Kansas 57
**At Viejas Arena**
**San Diego**
UCLA 77, Stephen F. Austin 60
**Regional Semifinals**
**At FedExForum**
**Memphis, Tenn.**
**Thursday**
Dayton 82, Stanford 72
Florida 79, UCLA 68
**Regional Championship**
**Saturday, March 29**
Florida 62, Dayton 52

**MIDWEST REGIONAL**
**Third Round**
**Saturday, March 22**
**At The Amway Center**
**Orlando, Fla.**
Louisville 66, Saint Louis 51
**At BMO Harris Bradley Center**
**Milwaukee**
Michigan 79, Texas 65
**Sunday, March 23**
**At PNC Arena**
**Raleigh, N.C.**
Tennessee 83, Mercer 63
**At Scottrade Center**
**St. Louis**
Kentucky 78, Wichita State 76
**Regional Semifinals**
**At Lucas Oil Stadium**
**Indianapolis**
**Friday**
Michigan 73, Tennessee 71
Kentucky 74, Louisville 69
**Regional Championship**
**Today**
Michigan (28-8) vs. Kentucky (27-10), 4:05 p.m.

**WEST REGIONAL**
**Third Round**
**Saturday, March 22**
**At BMO Harris Bradley Center**
**Milwaukee**
Wisconsin 85, Oregon 77
**At Spokane Arena**
**Spokane, Wash.**
San Diego State 63, North Dakota State 44
**Sunday, March 23**
**At The AT&T Center**
**San Antonio**
Baylor 85, Creighton 55
**At Viejas Arena**
**San Diego**
Arizona 84, Gonzaga 61
**Regional Semifinals**
**At The Honda Center**
**Anaheim, Calif.**
**Thursday, March 27**
Wisconsin 69, Baylor 52
Arizona 70, San Diego State 64
**Regional Championship**
**Saturday**
Wisconsin 64, Arizona 63, OT

**FINAL FOUR**
**At AT&T Stadium**
**Arlington**
**National Semifinals**
**Saturday, April 5**
East champion vs. Florida (36-2), TBA
Midwest champion vs. Wisconsin (30-7), TBA
**National Championship**
**Monday, April 7**
Semifinal winners

**National Invitation Tournament Glance**
**Quarterfinals**
**Tuesday, March 25**
Clemson 73, Belmont 68
Minnesota 81, Southern Miss 73
**Wednesday, March 26**
Florida State 78, Louisiana Tech 75
SMU 67, California 65
**At Madison Square Garden**
**New York**
**Semifinals**
**Tuesday**
Minnesota (23-13) vs. Florida State (22-13), 6 p.m.
Clemson (23-13) vs. SMU (26-9), 8:30 p.m.
**Championship**
**Thursday, April 3**
Semifinal winners, 6 p.m.

**College Basketball Invitational Glance**
**Semifinals**
**Wednesday, March 26**
Siena 61, Illinois State 49
Fresno State 71, Old Dominion 64
**Championship Series**
**(Best-of-3)**
**(x-if necessary)**
**Monday**
Siena (18-17) at Fresno State (20-16), 9 p.m.
**Wednesday**
Fresno State at Siena, 6 p.m.
**Saturday, April 5**
x-Fresno State at Siena, TBA

**CollegeInsider.com Tournament Glance**
**Semifinals**
**Tuesday**
Yale (22-12) at VMI (22-12), 6 p.m.
Pacific (18-15) at Murray State (21-11), 8 p.m.

**NCAA Div. II Basketball Tournament Glance**
**Thursday**
**At Evansville, Ind.**
**Semifinals**
Central Missouri 71, Metro State 69
West Liberty 86, S. Carolina Aiken 83
**Saturday**
**At Evansville, Ind.**
**Championship**
Central Missouri 84, West Liberty 77

# LADY BEARS

From 1C

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Baylor's sensational senior guard had 47 points the last time the Lady Bears and Wildcats played. That was one of the most exciting games in the history of women's basketball. The Wildcats came away with a 133-130 four-overtime victory back in December.

This one fell far short of matching that thriller as Sims and Baylor put the game away by the half.

"You see how much we improved since the last time we played Kentucky," Mulkey said. "We have two freshmen posts who almost finished with a double-double."

Nina Davis finished with 20 points and eight rebounds while classmate Khadijiah Cave added a career-high 18 points and nine rebounds. Sophomore Niya Johnson had 11 points and 11 assists.

Now the Lady Bears (32-4) will face Notre Dame in the regional final on Monday night.

Sims got off to a slow start, missing her first six shots before heating up by making 8 of her final 10 to finish the half. A steal and layup, a sequence she's done many times in her stellar career, with 12:40 left in the first half got her to 1,000.

"I had no idea. I knew I would reach it. I wasn't keeping up with it and just playing basketball," Sims said. "Records and awards don't mean anything right now, us making a run in this tournament and trying to go far is what matters."

Nam Y. Huh/AP

Kentucky's Azia Bishop (50), center, battles for a rebound against Baylor's Nina Davis (13), left, and Khadijiah Cave during the second half of a regional semifinal Saturday at Purcell Pavilion in South Bend, Ind.

She followed up the milestone play with a long pass to Davis for an easy score on the next play, pumping her left arm after the freshman finished off the play. That was one of her seven assists on the day.

Kentucky hung around and only trailed 28-24 after Makayla Epps' layup with 6:26 left in the half. That would be the last basket for the Wildcats until DeNesha Stallworth hit a layup with 9 seconds left. In between Sims took over. She scored eight points during a 17-2 run that blew the game open. Baylor led 49-32 at the half.

Kentucky missed nine layups in the first half and never got closer than 12 points down in the second half.

"I thought we were doing a good job at some things, wish we could have made some of those layups and the complexion of game would have been different," Kentucky coach Matthew Mitchell said.

Jennifer O'Neill, who had 43 points in the earlier game, had a rough afternoon. She missed all 12 of her shots and finished with just eight points — all on free throws.

"Leading scorer goes 0 for 12, not a real good recipe for moving forward in this kind of environment in the tournament," Mitchell said. "It's hard to fathom how that kid can go 0 for 12. She didn't try to do that. I thought she took some bad shots at times, but some were really good. They just didn't go."

Stallworth scored 19 points to lead Kentucky (26-9).

# WOMEN'S TOURNEY SCORES AND SCHEDULES

**NCAA Basketball Tournament Glance**
**LINCOLN REGIONAL**
**Second Round**
**Monday, March 24**
**At Los Angeles**
BYU 80, Nebraska 76
**At Durham, N.C.**
DePaul 74, Duke 65
**Tuesday, March 25**
**At Storrs, Conn.**
UConn 91, Saint Joseph's 59
**At College Station**
Texas A&M 85, James Madison 69
**Regional Semifinals**
**At Lincoln, Neb.**
**Saturday**
UConn 70, BYU 51
Texas A&M 84, DePaul 65
**Monday**
**Regional Championship**
UConn (37-0) vs. Texas A&M (27-8), 8:30 p.m.

**STANFORD REGIONAL**
**Second Round**
**Monday, March 24**
**At Ames, Iowa**
Stanford 63, Florida State 44
**Tuesday, March 25**
**At Seattle**
South Carolina 78, Oregon State 69
**At Chapel Hill, N.C.**
North Carolina 62, Michigan State 53
**At State College, Pa.**
Penn State 83, Florida 61
**Regional Semifinals**
**At Stanford, Calif.**
**Today**
Stanford (31-3) vs. Penn State (24-7), 3:30 p.m.
South Carolina (29-4) vs. North Carolina (26-9), 6 p.m.
**Regional Championship**
**Tuesday**
Semifinal winners, 8 p.m.

**NOTRE DAME REGIONAL**
**Second Round**
**Monday, March 24**
**At Toledo, Ohio**
Notre Dame 84, Arizona State 67
**At West Lafayette, Ind.**
Oklahoma State 73, Purdue 66
**At Lexington, Ky.**
Kentucky 64, Syracuse 59
**At Waco**
Baylor 75, California 56
**Regional Semifinals**
**At Notre Dame, Ind.**
**Saturday**
Baylor 90, Kentucky 72
Notre Dame 89, Oklahoma State 72
**Regional Championship**
**Monday**
Baylor (32-4) vs. Notre Dame (35-0), 6:30 p.m.

**LOUISVILLE REGIONAL**
**First Round**
**Saturday, March 22**
**At Knoxville, Tenn.**
Tennessee 70, Northwestern State 46
St. John's 71, Southern Cal 68
**Sunday, March 23**
**At College Park, Md.**
Maryland 90, Army 52
Texas 79, Pennsylvania 61
**At Iowa City, Iowa**
Louisville 88, Idaho 42
Iowa 87, Marist 65
**At Baton Rouge, La.**
LSU 98, Georgia Tech 78
West Virginia 76, Albany (N.Y.) 61
**Second Round**
**Monday**
**At Knoxville, Tenn.**
Tennessee 67, St. John's 51
**Tuesday, March 25**
**At College Park, Md.**
Maryland 69, Texas 64
**At Iowa City, Iowa**
Louisville 83, Iowa 53
**At Baton Rouge, La.**
LSU 76, West Virginia 67
**Regional Semifinals**
**At Louisville, Ky.**
**Today**
Tennessee (28-5) vs. Maryland (26-6), 11 a.m.
Louisville (32-4) vs. LSU (21-12), 1:30 p.m.
**Regional Championship**
**Tuesday, April 1**
Semifinal winners, 6 p.m.

**FINAL FOUR**
**At Nashville, Tenn.**
**National Semifinals**
Lincoln regional champion vs. Stanford regional champion, 5:30 or 7:30 p.m.
Notre Dame regional champion vs. Louisville regional champion, 5:30 or 7:30 p.m.
**Sunday, April 6**
National Championship

**National Invitation Tournament Glance**
**Third Round**
**Wednesday, March 26**
Washington 62, San Diego 55
**Thursday**
South Florida 74, George Washington 57
Indiana 66, Northwestern 65
Bowling Green 63, Michigan 53
Rutgers 91, Seton Hall 79, 2OT
Mississipi State 59, Auburn 54
South Dakota State 70, Minnesota 62
**Friday**
UTEP 68, Colorado 60
**Quarterfinals**
**Sunday**
Indiana (21-12) at South Dakota State (25-9), 2 p.m.
South Florida (22-12) at Mississipi State (22-13), 5 p.m.
**Monday**
Rutgers (25-9) at Bowling Green (30-4), 6 p.m.
**March 29-31**
UTEP winner vs. Washington (20-13), TBA

**NCAA Div. II Basketball Tournament Glance**
**Wednesday, March 26**
**At Erie, Pa.**
**Semifinals**
West Texas A&M 80, Nova Southeastern 66
Bentley 77, Cal Poly Pomona 62
**Friday**
**At Erie, Pa.**
**Championship**
Bentley 73, West Texas A&M 65

**Basketball Invitational Glance**
**Semifinals**
**Thursday, March 27**
Illinois-Chicago 74, Fairfield 44
Stephen F. Austin 78, College of Charleston 74
**Championship**
**Saturday**
Illinois-Chicago 73, Stephen F. Austin 64


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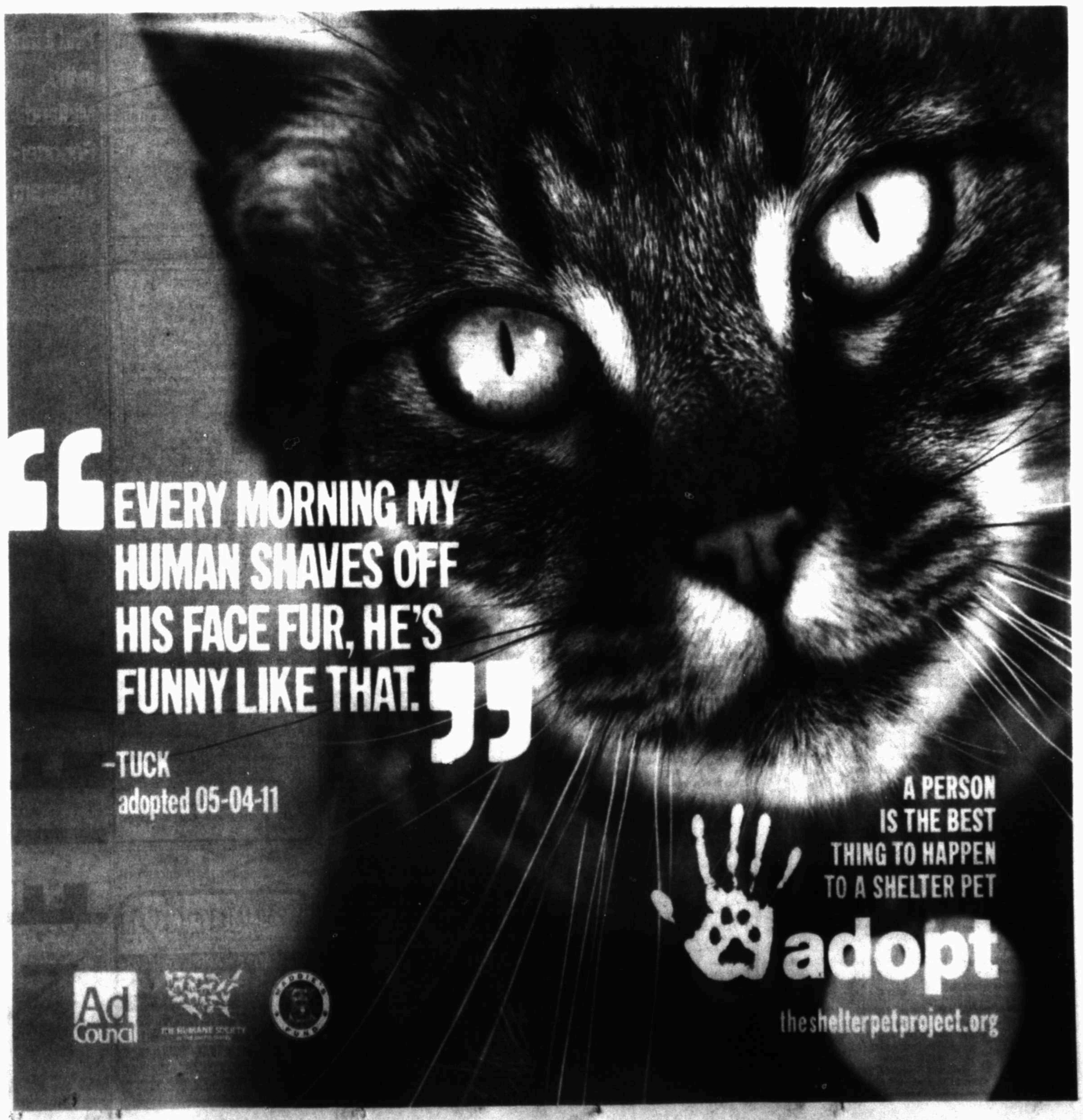

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Ads containing art or photos need to be in our office 2 working days before the ad is to be published and we ask that you pay in advance.

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## Legal & Public Notices

**FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION**
**NOTICE OF AN OPEN HOUSE PUBLIC MEETING**

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Office of Commercial Space Transportation is announcing the availability of the *Draft Environmental Assessment for the Midland International Air and Space Port, City of Midland, Midland County, Texas* (Draft EA). The Draft EA evaluates potential environmental impacts of the City of Midland's proposal to operate a commercial space launch site at the Midland International Airport in Midland County, Texas and offer the site to XCOR Aerospace, Inc. for the operation of the Lynx horizontal take-off and horizontal landing reusable launch vehicle and engine testing. To operate a commercial space launch site, the City of Midland must obtain a launch site operator license from the FAA. The Draft EA can be reviewed online at
http://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offices/ast/environmental/nepa_docs/review/documents_progress/.

In addition, a printed copy of the Draft EA is available at the following locations:
- Midland County Library - 301 West Missouri Avenue, Midland, Texas 79701
- Ector County Library - 321 W. 5th Street, Odessa, Texas 79761
- Reagan County Library - 300 Courthouse Square, Big Lake, Texas 76932

The FAA will hold an open house public meeting on April 8, 2014, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin, Center for Energy and Economic Diversification (Foyer), located at 1400 North FM 1788, Midland, Texas 79701 (southeast corner of SH 191 and FM 1788). The public will be able to speak to project representatives one-on-one and submit written comments or provide oral comments to a stenographer. Comments or questions on the Draft EA should be sent on or before April 21, 2014 and may be addressed to Mr. Daniel Czelusniak, Office of Commercial Space Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW, Suite 325, Washington, DC 20591; or submitted by email to FAAMidlandEA@icfi.com.

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**OPEN ENROLLMENT REQUEST FOR APPLICATION**

**PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS (PBCC)** is the Department of State Health Services designated Mental Health Authority established to plan, coordinate, develop policy, develop and allocate resources, supervise, and ensure the provision of community based mental health and mental retardation services for the residents of *Midland, Ector, Pecos, Brewster, Jeff Davis, Presidio, Hudspeth and Culberson* Counties, Texas.

**PBCC** is seeking proposals for the provision of **Psychiatric Diagnostic Interview Examination (CPT code 90792) and Pharmacological Management (CPT codes M0064, 99211, 99212, 99213, 99214, 99215)**, for identified individuals with mental illness who seek services at PBCC. The psychiatrist will be requested to maintain a set schedule of 10 hours a day for two days a week (days to be determined). The services will be delivered in our specialty care facility located in Odessa. The contract shall be for an initial term of one year with the option to renew annually.

The open enrollment period shall close on April 15th, 2014 at 5:00(CST) or upon receipt of enough applications to meet the service capacity described in the RFA whichever comes first.

Copies of the **RFA** may be obtained via written request, faxed request, or picked up at:

**Permian Basin Community Centers**
401 E. Illinois
Midland, Texas 79701
**Contact: Chris Barnhill or Cynthia Brown**
purchasing@pbmhmr.com
Phone: 432-570-3333
Fax: 432-570-3426

Or via the internet at:

**Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts Electronic State Business Daily (ESBD)**
**Website: http://esbd.cpa.state.tx.us**
Agency: PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTER - R1650
Search Type: Search Bid / Procurement Opportunities
Agency Requisition Number: PBCC- MH/Ector Psychiatry 4/15/2014
Description: PBCC Ector County Psychiatric Service RFA for 4/15/2014

**Questions regarding the RFA should be directed to Chris Barnhill or Cindy Brown at (432)570-3333 or by email to purchasing@pbmhmr.com.**

**Please submit: one (1) original (clearly marked) of your Application and attachments to:**
**Permian Basin Community Centers**
**ATTN: Purchasing**
**401 E. Illinois**
**Midland, Texas 79701**
**Contact Number: 432-570-3333**

## Legal & Public Notices

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Midland Independent School District will receive sealed proposals for **Advanced A/V Systems - RFP No: 2014-0004T.AV**. Bids will be received by 5:00 p.m. CDT, Monday, April 7, 2014.
See www.midlandisd.net/techrfp for further information.

## Legal & Public Notices

MIDLAND SELF STORAGE
Sale is April 1, 2014 at 10:00 am at 3600 North Big Spring. Goods will be sold as a live bid for cash. Property includes contents of spaces of the following tenants: Dennis Burris-- mattress, misc household items; Dakota Apartments-- household furniture, TVs, mattress; Selina Enriques-- mattress, household items and appliances; Desiree Hutchings-- misc household items; Larry Provencio-- mattress, household furniture; Melody Reed-- bed frame, misc household items; Carolyn Rogers-- misc household items; Nakish Toland-- furniture, mattresses, misc household items; Juan Villa-- mattress, household items; Dwain Washington-- car, motor, tires; Don Williams-- dresser, misc household items.

## Legal & Public Notices

**Request For Bids**
Lee Lewis Construction, Inc., as construction manager, will be receiving bids for the new construction of the Midland Independent School District Bunch Elementary School.

Bids are due by Tuesday, April 8, 2014 on or before 3:00 pm.

Location:
Lee Lewis Construction, Inc
7810 Orlando Ave
Lubbock, Texas 79423
Phone: 806-797-8400
Fax: 806-797-8492

Bid packages will be available at the following locations:
AGC Plan Rooms & Dodge Plan Rooms - Lubbock, Odessa, Midland
Lee Lewis Construction - Lubbock, Texas
Website: http://leelewis.thomasrepro.com

Lee Lewis Construction specifically invites Small Business Concerns and Women Owned Business Concerns and Small Business Concerns Owned/Controlled By Socially And Economically Disadvantaged Individuals to bid this project.

## Legal & Public Notices

**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS**

Midland Independent School District is seeking proposals from qualified testing firms to provide independent testing services for the following generally described scope of work:

**Midland ISD 2012 Bond Program**
Two New Elementary Schools
Rusk Elementary School Addition
Milam Elementary School - Site Improvements
Scharbauer Elementary School- Site Improvements

Interested firms are asked to submit a Letter of Interest and a Statement of their Qualifications to the District for review. All responses to the RFQ should be clearly marked and addressed to Karra Rybicki. Responses must be received by e-mail to krybicki@team-psc.com by 10:00 A.M., local time, April 01, 2014. Responses received after this date and time will not be considered.

Address all questions regarding this RFQ to Les Burke, AIA, Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc., lburke@team-psc.com. Questions must be received no later than March 25, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.

## Legal & Public Notices

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Sealed Bids addressed to Jill Hallmark, Midland ISD, 801 South Moran, Midland, TX 79701, for Moving Portable Buildings Bid for MISD Schools, located in Midland, TX, bids will be received at the above address no later than 2:00 PM, on Tuesday, April 1, 2014. The bid forms and specifications may be obtained at 801 South Moran, Building #1 Midland, TX or by calling 432-689-1500.

## Legal & Public Notices

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Board of Trustees of the Midland Independent School District will receive bids on Dairy Products for delivery to all 35 MISD school for the 2014-2015 school year. Sealed bids will be received until **2:00 P.M., Tuesday, April 22, 2014**, at which time they will be opened and tabulated in the Child Nutrition Services Office, 801 S. Moran; Bldg. 2, Midland, Texas 79701. Questions on the bids are to be addressed to:
Michelle Helms
MIDLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
801 S. MORAN; BLDG. 2,
MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701
432-689-1525
Michelle.helms@midlandisd.net

## Legal & Public Notices

**REQUEST FOR BIDS**

MID-TEX OF Midland, Inc., Construction Manager-At-Risk, will be receiving subcontractor and supplier bids for the "Iraan-Sheffield Independent School District –Texas Challenge Academy Renovations" project in Sheffield, Texas. A pre-bid site visit will be held Thursday, April 3rd at 10:00 AM. It is not mandatory, but strongly encouraged.

Bids are due by Thursday, April 10, 2014 at 2:00 PM.

Location:
Mid-Tex of Midland, Inc.
5206 W. Wadley Ave.
Midland, Texas 79707
Phone: (432) 697-2282
Fax: (432) 694-9627

Bid Packages may be obtained by emailing Leslie Ramirez at leslie@midtexofmidland.com

## Legal & Public Notices

LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Bid(s) will be received until 11:00 A.M., April 16, 2014 to be opened at 11:00 A.M., in the Office of the City Secretary City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas for the following Bid(s):

Bid No. 7759-14

For: Backhoe Trailer, Skid Steer Trailer, and Gooseneck Dump Trailer

If the Contract is awarded, it will be awarded to either the lowest responsible bidder, or to the bidder who provides goods or services at the best value for the City of Midland. In determining the best value for the City of Midland, the City of Midland may consider the criteria enumerated in Section 252.043 of the Texas Local Government Code. Information for Bidders, Proposal Forms, Specifications and General conditions for bidding may be obtained from the office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas.

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The Board of Trustees of the Midland Independent School District will receive bids on small equipment kitchen supplies for the 2014-2015 school years on a "Drop Ship" basis. Sealed bids will be received until **2:30 P.M., Tuesday, April 22, 2014**, at which time they will be opened and tabulated in the Child Nutrition Services Office, 801 S. Moran; Bldg. 2, Midland, Texas 79701. Questions on the bids are to be addressed to:
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## Legal & Public Notices

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Board of Trustees of the Midland Independent School District will receive bids on Cleaning and Paper supplies for the 2014-2016 school years on a "Drop Ship" basis. Sealed bids will be received until **1:30 P.M., Tuesday, April 22, 2014**, at which time they will be opened and tabulated in the Child Nutrition Services Office, 801 S. Moran; Bldg. 2, Midland, Texas 79701. Questions on the bids are to be addressed to:
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## Legal & Public Notices

**LEGAL NOTICE**

The Permian Basin Workforce Development Board announces the release of a Request for Proposal (RFP) for child care quality training. The purpose of the RFP is to contract with an entity to plan, coordinate, and implement a one day conference for the child care providers in the 17 counties of the Permian Basin. The purpose of the training is to enhance the quality of services in the Permian Basin child care facilities.

A RFP packet may be obtained beginning March 31, 2014 by contacting:
Permian Basin Workforce Development Board 432.563.5239 or info@workforcepb.org

**The deadline for submitting a proposal is April 18 at 12:00 noon Central Daylight Savings Time.**

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## General Announcements

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## Legal & Public Notices

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Board of Trustees of the Midland Independent School District will receive bids on Ice Cream Products for delivery to all 35 MISD school for the 2013-2015 school year. Sealed bids will be received until 1:00 P.M., Tuesday, April 22, 2014, at which time they will be opened and tabulated in the Child Nutrition Services Office, 801 S. Moran; Bldg: 2, Midland, Texas 79701. Questions on the bids are to be addressed to:

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Bid No: 7714-14

For: Playground and Recreational Equipment

If the Contract is awarded, it will be awarded to either the lowest responsible bidder, or to the bidder who provides goods or services at the best value for the City of Midland. In determining the best value for the City of Midland, the City of Midland may consider the criteria enumerated in Section 252.043 of the Texas Local Government Code. Information for Bidders, Proposal Forms, Specifications and General conditions for bidding may be obtained from the office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas.

Purchasing Division
City of Midland, Texas

## Legal & Public Notices

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Sealed proposals addressed to Greenwood Independent School District will be received at Greenwood ISD Central Office, 2700 FM 1379, Midland, Texas 79706 until May 6, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. for Water System Improvements, New Potable Water Wells and Water Line.

Immediately following the closing time for receipt of bids, proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud at Greenwood ISD Central Office. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened. Bids will be tabulated and presented to Greenwood ISD for action at a later date.

Information for bidders, proposal forms, specifications and plans are on file at Greenwood ISD and the office of Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 4222 85th Street, Lubbock, Texas, 79423.

Copies of the plans, specifications and contract documents may be secured at the office of Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 4222 85th Street, Lubbock Texas, 79423 (Phone 806 473 2200) as follows:

1. Download documents (.pdf file extension format) from PSC's Info Exchange web site after registering as a plan holder with issuing PSC office. **There is no cost or deposit required for this option**
2. One set of paper copies for a non-refundable deposit of $50.00
3. A digital copy (.pdf file extension format) upon a non-refundable deposit of $20.00 per each CD

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## General Announcements

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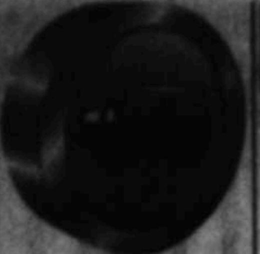

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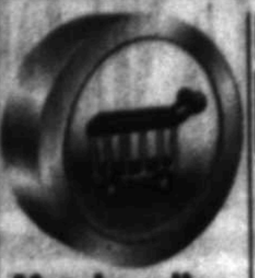

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR DILAPIDATED STRUCTURES FILED AT COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE**

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing has been scheduled to be held before the City Council, City of Midland, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, at 10:30 A.M. o'clock on the April 22, 2014. At this hearing the City Council will consider an Ordinance requiring the removal or demolition of the buildings(s) or structure(s) located on the below referenced properties for the reason that the building(s) or structure(s) located on said property fails to comply with the minimum standards for the intended use and occupancy of the building, as provided in Title IV, Chapter 9 of the Midland City Code, at which hearing the owners, mortgagee or lienholder of the properties that appear below or persons interested are hereby notified to appear and testify as to the issue to be decided.

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| 105 E. LOUISIANA AV | BLK: 014, S.90 OF SW/4 ADDN: HOMESTEAD | DAVID ARRIOLA III 809 N TYLER MIDLAND, TX 79701 |
| 608 S. JACKSON ST | BLK: 061, LOT: 005 ADDN: MOODY | JAMES H LISTER 1401 E PENNSYLVANIA AVE MIDLAND, TX 79701-8343 |
| 701 N. CALHOUN ST | BLK: 004, LOT: 012 ADDN: NUEVA LA JOLLA | JOSE M HERRERA SR 1507 S TERRELL ST MIDLAND, TX 79701-7473 |
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| 427 W. SPRUCE AV | BLK: 010, LOT: 014 ADDN: KELVIEW HEIGHTS | ALLAN EDSON 403 W DORMARD MIDLAND, TX 79705 |
| 506 S. TYLER ST | BLK: 054, LOT: 004 ADDN: MOODY | JUAN CABRERA & CINDY PEREZ 8501 W DUNN 140 ODESSA, TX 79763 |
| 708 E. TEXAS AV | BLK: 047, LOT: 001 N 50 ADDN: ORIGINAL TOWN | WENDELL LAY THOMAS 207 N MADISON ST MIDLAND, TX 79701 4947 |
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| 1509 S. DALLAS ST | BLK: 029, LOT: 018 ADDN: SOUTH PARK | FRANCISCO J LOZANO 1509 S DALLAS ST MIDLAND, TX 79701 7436 |
| 303 MAPLE AV | BLK: 014, LOT: 007 ADDN: LOMA LINDA | CHARLES E WAITES 309 MAPLE AVE MIDLAND, TX 79705 |
| 507 S. MADISON ST | BLK: 052, LOTS: 009 & 10 ADDN: PARK AVENUE | CAROL J MORRIS ET AL 507 S MADISON ST MIDLAND, TX 79701 |

Steve Thorpe
Building Official
City of Midland

*Note:*
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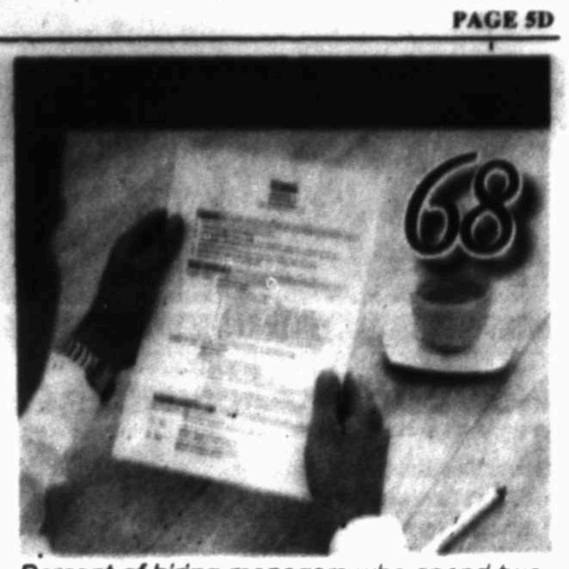


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## FIND THE BEST FIT

By CHRIS GELBACH
*CTW Features*

**Finding the right role and company to match your goals and personality can be important to your career success and happiness. But according to career experts, there are good and bad ways to go about it.**

Laura M. Labovich, CEO of career management firm The Career Strategy Group and co-author of "100 Conversations for Career Success" (Learningexpress, 2012), says the best approach requires being proactive. "Jobseekers, especially if they lose a job, have a tendency to just go out and try to find another job even if they weren't happy in their previous job," she said. "The most important thing is to do even a partial soul search before you go into a job search and make sure what you're looking for is clear not only to you but to employers."

Labovich advises jobseekers to use those insights to create a list of 30 to 40 companies they'd like to target specifically. She recommends reaching out to people within these target organizations who are one to two levels above your desired role. "This is a very aggressive approach and it works amazingly well," she says.

This will give you the opportunity to learn more about a company and its culture in a pressure-free environment, and to ask questions about things like work-life balance that are often best avoided later on during a job interview.

Tony Beshara, owner and president of the Dallas job-placement firm Babich & Associates and author of "The Job Search Solution" (AMACOM, 2012), stresses that the job interview process is not the time to make judgments. "All of that speculation – Would I work there? Could I work there? Do I want to work there? – It's all bull until you've got a job offer. You've got nothing until then."

After you've received an offer, Beshara says that asking yourself ten yes or no questions about the position can help you make the right decision. They are:

1. Do I like the nature of the work I will be performing?
2. Can I do the job? Is there a good balance of risk/challenge to the job?
3. Am I well aware of the company's stability or position stability?
4. Is the chemistry of the people appropriate?
5. Is the compensation program fair, reasonable and commensurate with the job?
6. Is the opportunity for growth in keeping with my personal goals?
7. Is the location or territory appropriate?
8. Is the philosophy of doing business compatible with my personal philosophy?
9. Does the opportunity build on my previous experience?
10. Is it likely that this experience would have good carryover for my future?

According to Beshara, eight yes answers is about as good as it gets. Five to seven means the job might be a reasonably good one. If you answer yes to fewer than five of them, you might want to reconsider it.

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## SPRING CLEANING FOR SUCCESS

*THIS SEASON, REDUCE UNNECESSARY OFFICE CLUTTER – FROM YOUR DESK AND YOUR MIND*

By DAWN KLINGENSMITH
*CTW Features*

Though it hardly seems like it, in some parts of the nation, spring has arrived. If the weather is sloppy and indecisive, that's all the more reason for office workers to control what they can, starting with a good spring cleaning not only of their workspace but also their inner workings.

Eighty-three percent of HR managers surveyed by the staffing firm OfficeTeam said the appearance of an employee's workspace at least somewhat affects their perception of that person's professionalism, so simply tidying up can be an image enhancer. OfficeTeam, based on input from the International Association of Administrative Professionals, recommends sitting in the visitor chair to see what others see when entering the office or workspace. Clean and arrange the workspace so it's visually appealing to all occupants including guests.

Make it easier to find things by paring down supplies. "It's easy to acquire an absurd number of pens. They're given away everywhere and seem totally practical, so they're never thrown away," says Apartment Therapy website founder Maxwell Ryan, who knows a thing or two about thriving in small spaces. "Grab every single writing utensil in your desk and select 10 that you actually like and use regularly." Get rid of the rest.

Arrange drawers hierarchically. "The closer the drawer is to you, the greater the importance. Additionally, the closer the drawer is to your dominant hand, the greater the importance," Ryan says.

Prioritize the top-most drawers for supplies used on a daily basis. "Be very selective about the items you put here. Clutter can easily accumulate, and when everything is important, nothing is," Ryan says.

Setting aside what HR managers think based on appearances, employees who tend to accumulate clutter and piles can sharpen their focus and improve their performance by clearing just their desktops, says New York-based professional organizer Andrew Mellen. Paperwork not related to the task at hand can be distracting and anxiety-inducing. "Keep whatever's relevant in front of you," he says, and stash the rest in a box or on any other surface, be it a chair or credenza. Even the floor is preferable because keeping other projects out of sight makes it easier to focus exclusively on the most important priority.

See multitasking for what it really is — a stop-and-start way of working that precludes the sustained focus necessary for projects that require higher cognitive processes. Employees who aren't in customer service or some other role that requires immediate responsiveness should schedule uninterrupted work sessions when they silence the phone, send calls to voicemail and log out of email, Mellen recommends. Setting a timer at the start of a work session helps "hold your focus," he adds, "so you won't get lost in some sort of reverie."

Spring is a good time to get rid of mental clutter that weighs workers down and fogs their ability to see possibilities and opportunities, says Lauren Rosenfeld, author of "Breathing Room: Open Your Heart by Decluttering Your Home" (Atria Books/Beyond Words, April 2014).

Counterproductive thoughts about past performance prevent workers from reaching their potential. Two common culprits are guilt and regret. "Guilty thoughts are always telling us that we're not as good as we could have been. When we focus on guilt about past performance, we drain our ability to perform efficiently and effectively in the moment," Rosenfeld says.

Regretful thoughts "tend to insist that we constantly relive the missed opportunity or the poor judgment call," she adds. "Reliving these stories over and over again will pull you further and further into a past that cannot be changed. All real and powerful change happens when we let go of regret and focus on the opportunities that are available right now."

Freeing the mind of guilt and regret can take time, but every action that instills a sense of pride and accomplishment is a step in the right direction. So get rid of all those surplus pens. Hey, it's a start.

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JOB ADVANCEMENT

## PROMOTION POLITICS MADE EASY

*Have you brushed up on the politics of career advancement lately?*

Lorenzo G. Flores, a Fresno, Calif. consultant and speaker on the dynamics of career advancement, argues that few people thoroughly understand that career advancement is an artful discipline that most must learn on their own.

"Promotion politics has become incredibly challenging, fluid and perplexing – and you don't learn about it at school," says Flores, author of "Executive Career Advancement: How to Understand the Politics of Promotion." (AuthorHouse, 2009)

Career advancement reflects what Flores describes as two cardinal rules. The first is that there is no substitute for hard work and pro-active political thinking and action. The second is don't trust anyone who says that politics never played a role in his or her promotion.

The reality is that the workplace is often filled with competitive egos and minefields. Companies may strive for fairness, but it doesn't always pan out for everyone.

Flores said the foundation of career advancement is based on:

- Working hard: To move ahead in a positive way, you must respect the hard work ethic. Build on this value in order to create a higher level of understanding.
- Guarding appearance: Your appearance and style of work does matter. Hard work combined with a quick wit, penetrating insights and a polished personal style can boost your professional image.
- Developing strong connections. The more connections you have, the more options and protection you have in the workplace.
- Identifying the X Factor: The X Factor can be anything that appeals to the boss from A to Z – appearance to zeal for one's work. People who remind the boss of him or herself have greater chances for advancement as there is a direct correlation between likeability and how often one is promoted.

– *Patricia Rivera*

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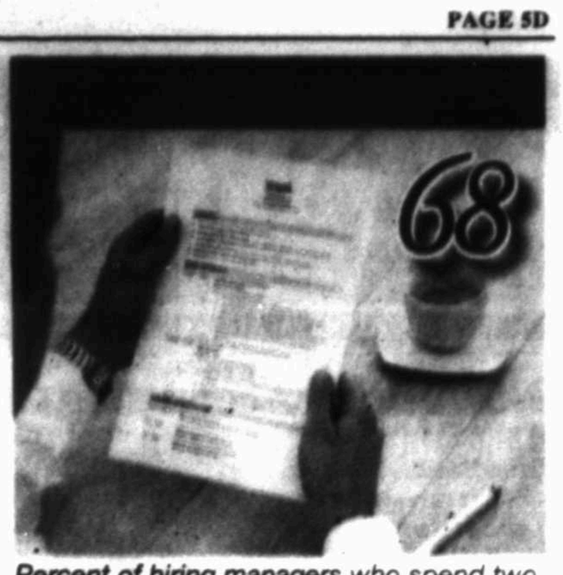


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## FIND THE BEST FIT

By CHRIS GELBACH
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**Finding the right role and company to match your goals and personality can be important to your career success and happiness. But according to career experts, there are good and bad ways to go about it.**

Laura M. Labovich, CEO of career management firm The Career Strategy Group and co-author of "100 Conversations for Career Success" (Learningexpress, 2012), says the best approach requires being proactive. "Jobseekers, especially if they lose a job, have a tendency to just go out and try to find another job even if they weren't happy in their previous job," she said. "The most important thing is to do even a partial soul search before you go into a job search and make sure what you're looking for is clear not only to you but to employers."

Labovich advises jobseekers to use those insights to create a list of 30 to 40 companies they'd like to target specifically. She recommends reaching out to people within these target organizations who are one to two levels above your desired role. "This is a very aggressive approach and it works amazingly well," she says.

This will give you the opportunity to learn more about a company and its culture in a pressure-free environment, and to ask questions about things like work-life balance that are often best avoided later on during a job interview.

Tony Beshara, owner and president of the Dallas job-placement firm Babich & Associates and author of "The Job Search Solution" (AMACOM, 2012), stresses that the job interview process is not the time to make judgments. "All of that speculation – Would I work there? Could I work there? Do I want to work there? – It's all bull until you've got a job offer. You've got nothing until then."

After you've received an offer, Beshara says that asking yourself ten yes or no questions about the position can help you make the right decision. They are:

1. Do I like the nature of the work I will be performing?
2. Can I do the job? Is there a good balance of risk/challenge to the job?
3. Am I well aware of the company's stability or position stability?
4. Is the chemistry of the people appropriate?
5. Is the compensation program fair, reasonable and commensurate with the job?
6. Is the opportunity for growth in keeping with my personal goals?
7. Is the location or territory appropriate?
8. Is the philosophy of doing business compatible with my personal philosophy?
9. Does the opportunity build on my previous experience?
10. Is it likely that this experience would have good carryover for my future?

According to Beshara, eight yes answers is about as good as it gets. Five to seven means the job might be a reasonably good one. If you answer yes to fewer than five of them, you might want to reconsider it.

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# SPRING CLEANING FOR SUCCESS

*THIS SEASON, REDUCE UNNECESSARY OFFICE CLUTTER – FROM YOUR DESK AND YOUR MIND*

By DAWN KLINGENSMITH
*CTW Features*

Though it hardly seems like it, in some parts of the nation, spring has arrived. If the weather is sloppy and indecisive, that's all the more reason for office workers to control what they can, starting with a good spring cleaning not only of their workspace but also their inner workings.

Eighty-three percent of HR managers surveyed by the staffing firm OfficeTeam said the appearance of an employee's workspace at least somewhat affects their perception of that person's professionalism, so simply tidying up can be an image enhancer. OfficeTeam, based on input from the International Association of Administrative Professionals, recommends sitting in the visitor chair to see what others see when entering the office or workspace. Clean and arrange the workspace so it's visually appealing to all occupants including guests.

Make it easier to find things by paring down supplies. "It's easy to acquire an absurd number of pens. They're given away everywhere and seem totally practical, so they're never thrown away," says Apartment Therapy website founder Maxwell Ryan, who knows a thing or two about thriving in small spaces. "Grab every single writing utensil in your desk and select 10 that you actually like and use regularly." Get rid of the rest.

Arrange drawers hierarchically. "The closer the drawer is to you, the greater the importance. Additionally, the closer the drawer is to your dominant hand, the greater the importance," Ryan says.

Prioritize the top-most drawers for supplies used on a daily basis. "Be very selective about the items you put here. Clutter can easily accumulate, and when everything is important, nothing is," Ryan says.

Setting aside what HR managers think based on appearances, employees who tend to accumulate clutter and piles can sharpen their focus and improve their performance by clearing just their desktops, says New York-based professional organizer Andrew Mellen. Paperwork not related to the task at hand can be distracting and anxiety-inducing. "Keep whatever's relevant in front of you," he says, and stash the rest in a box or on any other surface, be it a chair or credenza. Even the floor is preferable because keeping other projects out of sight makes it easier to focus exclusively on the most important priority.

See multitasking for what it really is — a stop-and-start way of working that precludes the sustained focus necessary for projects that require higher cognitive processes. Employees who aren't in customer service or some other role that requires immediate responsiveness should schedule uninterrupted work sessions when they silence the phone, send calls to voicemail and log out of email, Mellen recommends. Setting a timer at the start of a work session helps "hold your focus," he adds, "so you won't get lost in some sort of reverie."

Spring is a good time to get rid of mental clutter that weighs workers down and fogs their ability to see possibilities and opportunities, says Lauren Rosenfeld, author of "Breathing Room: Open Your Heart by Decluttering Your Home." (Atria Books/ Beyond Words, April 2014)

Counterproductive thoughts about past performance prevent workers from reaching their potential. Two common culprits are guilt and regret. "Guilty thoughts are always telling us that we're not as good as we could have been. When we focus on guilt about past performance, we drain our ability to perform efficiently and effectively in the moment," Rosenfeld says.

Regretful thoughts "tend to insist that we constantly relive the missed opportunity or the poor judgment call," she adds. "Reliving these stories over and over again will pull you further and further into a past that cannot be changed. All real and powerful change happens when we let go of regret and focus on the opportunities that are available right now."

Freeing the mind of guilt and regret can take time, but every action that instills a sense of pride and accomplishment is a step in the right direction. So get rid of all those surplus pens. Hey, it's a start.

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JOB ADVANCEMENT

## PROMOTION POLITICS MADE EASY

*Have you brushed up on the politics of career advancement lately?*

Lorenzo G. Flores, a Fresno, Calif. consultant and speaker on the dynamics of career advancement, argues that few people thoroughly understand that career advancement is an artful discipline that most must learn on their own.

"Promotion politics has become incredibly challenging, fluid and perplexing – and you don't learn about it at school," says Flores, author of "Executive Career Advancement: How to Understand the Politics of Promotion." (AuthorHouse, 2009)

Career advancement reflects what Flores describes as two cardinal rules. The first is that there is no substitute for hard work and pro-active political thinking and action. The second is don't trust anyone who says that politics never played a role in his or her promotion.

The reality is that the workplace is often filled with competitive egos and minefields. Companies may strive for fairness, but it doesn't always pan out for everyone.

Flores said the foundation of career advancement is based on:

- Working hard: To move ahead in a positive way, you must respect the hard work ethic. Build on this value in order to create a higher level of understanding.
- Guarding appearance: Your appearance and style of work does matter. Hard work combined with a quick wit, penetrating insights and a polished personal style can boost your professional image.
- Developing strong connections. The more connections you have, the more options and protection you have in the workplace.
- Identifying the X Factor: The X Factor can be anything that appeals to the boss from A to Z – appearance to zeal for one's work. People who remind the boss of him or herself have greater chances for advancement as there is a direct correlation between likeability and how often one is promoted.

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For an application, contact the nearest Texas Department of Transportation Office or visit our Internet address at wv.rw.txdot.uov to apply online or to print out a paper application and take to your nearest TxDOT office. The positions are "Open Until Filled"

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## Health Care Professionals

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ADM.TerraceWest@daybreakventure.com

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HEALTHCARE

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Full Time, LVN/Medical Assistant and FT or PT Receptionist for a physician's office. Must have good oral/written communication skills, dependable, organized, team player. Computer skills a must, experience in medical office environment is a plus. Competitive salary. Email resume to michiganprofessionals@aol.com

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PBCC has positions in both Midland and Odessa for Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP) Facilitators. Potential candidates must possess a Bachelor's Degree with a minimum of 30 hours exclusively or combined in psychology, social work, sociology, medicine, nursing, rehabilitation, counseling, human development, gerontology, special education, educational psychology, or early childhood education/intervention. Experience in the mental health or wellness fields is preferred. The WRAP Facilitator will be certified while on the job in Wellness Recovery Action Planning by the Copeland Center.

Primary responsibilities for the WRAP Facilitator include provision of group and individual rehabilitative and skills training services for our adult behavioral health consumers with a heavy emphasis on wellness. Services delivered will instruct and prepare consumers to lead healthy lifestyles using means such as meal preparation, exercise, smoking cessation, etc.

Starting salary for this position is $32,065 annually. All applicants must have a valid Texas Driver's License, proof of auto liability insurance coverage, and will be subject to a criminal history background check. Please apply online at **www.pbmhmr.com**. If unable to complete an application online or to submit a resume directly, please contact the Human Resources Department at **432-570-3322**.

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### MAINTENANCE

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The Lamesa Police Department desires quality progressive team players to meet the challenges of an ever changing and expanding community oriented policing environment. Successful candidates will join a team of dedicated, well-trained and enthusiastic professionals who take pride in improving the quality of life for all citizens of Lamesa. Under the general supervision of Shift Sergeant. The Patrol Officer is the first to respond on all calls and do the primary investigation. Incumbent will handle traffic and crowd control; patrol the city for security; enforce state laws and city ordinances; answer calls for assistance from the public; protect physical evidence at the scene; advice suspects of their legal and civil rights. Applicants should possess a current TCLEOSE certification (or be able to obtain it by date of appointment), Texas Class C driver's license, and a High School Diploma. Must be a US citizen with no Misdemeanor or Felony convictions. Applicants must pass an oral assessment. Successful applicants are subject to a background investigation, medical and drug screen, and prior to employment. Application can be downloaded from city website: **ci.lamesa.tx.us**. Contact Irma Ramirez, Personnel Director **(806)872-4326**, fax **(806)872-4341** or email to **iramirez@ci.lamesa.tx.us**. The City of Lamesa provides excellent benefits and is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

### Security Guard

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**7500 N CR 1294, Midland, TX 79707.**
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### Assistant Superintendents

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### Available Positions

Border States Electric, MIDLAND is looking for a **Warehouse Associate/Delivery & Counter Sales Representative.** Knowledge of electrical products and systems helpful. Good customer service. Prior warehouse, city desk, or sales experience preferred. Must have a valid driver's license and be 21 years old. Great wages & benefits package. Fax resume to **432-520-0231** or email **pmarquez@borderstates.com.** EOE/Drug Free Workplace

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**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.

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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

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### Front Counter/Customer Service

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**Midland, TX 79701**
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### SSC - Social Services Coordinator

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### Staff Members/ Gym/ Gameroom

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## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

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NIGHT SWITCHBOARD OPERATOR
PREP INSTRUCTOR
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WRTTC GED INSTRUCTOR
WRTTC PC TECHNICIAN

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SALES JOBS

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We are growing and are now hiring for all positions for our new location!

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**Cleartalk Wireless** now hiring for Midland, Odessa, Monohans, and Pecos. Entry level position averages $30,000 and great benefits package! Retail experience preferred but not required. Please send your resume to: **kburrus@flatwireless.com**

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**Smoker's Outlet** is looking for **Cashiers** in the Midland area. We offer competitive wages and a good work environment. Paid weekly. Go by your nearest **Smoker's Outlet** to apply

# TOYOTA OF MIDLAND
## POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Our Quality Deals Bring You In & Our Service Brings You Back!

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We are seeking of Automotive Sales Professionals to join our team. We offer a competitive pay plan ($18 per hour while you train), lots of floor and i-net traffic, plus great benefits and a guarantee while you train! We have an extensive supply of certified and pre-owned vehicles along with new Toyota and Scion vehicles. We are eager to discuss the possibility of your new career with our growing store. Our clients deserve only the finest customer service oriented professionals. Let us know if you are that person!! Bi-lingual a plus but not required. If you are a high energy professional looking for the right organization to succeed with... look no further. Toyota of Midland provides great benefits to all team members.

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A great team environment and ongoing training are just a few of the benefits you can expect in our Service Dept. If you possess the desire to make a great atmosphere even better, you could be the perfect fit. We are looking for candidates with a strong work ethic and a high level of integrity who want to contribute as a team player. *Responsibilities include:* • Performing routine maintenance of vehicles • Change oil, transmission, and other fluids and filters • Provide service information to Service Advisors • Maintain dealership quality standards
*Requirements include:* Friendly, hard working, drive to satisfy customer and dept expectations • Must be able to multi-task and work in a fast-paced atmosphere • Professional attitude a must • Need valid driver's license & clean driving record.

### Mechanic/Service Technician
All Around Car Mechanic needed! We are slammed and need your professional help. Seeking Light Line And/or Heavy Line. Toyota experience not necessary. Extensive training will be provided... If you can fix most anything with an engine and/or transmission, We have a job for you in our busy state of the art Service Center. We are looking for someone with the knowledge base to work on all makes and models of vehicles. If you are an all around mechanic (domestic or foreign... or both!)... we need you immediately. Any certifications and ASE a big PLUS but not required. We do Brakes, Alignment, Oil changes, warranty work, Tune-ups, HVAC, Computer Analysis, Axles, Bearings, and a lot more. TOOLS NOT NECESSARY... we got it covered. Your hard work and motivation can take you to new heights of success.

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TOYOTA
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We are looking for **Insurance Associates** who possess these important qualities. *Cool under pressure, *Enjoy working hard, *Relate well to all kinds of people *Energetic, *Dedicated to meet customers needs. P&C license preferred. Must have customer service experience. Bilingual a plus. Please fax your resume to: **432-570-9501** or Mail to **P O Box 8830**, Midland, TX 79708. Bring by **4410 N Midkiff, Ste D1F, Midland, TX 79705**.

**Medical Device Sales**
**Medical Device Sales position for a Fortune 500 Company, Orthopedic contacts a major plus in the Midland/Odessa area. Send resume to medicalrep123@yahoo.com**

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Are you a car salesperson? You want to make more money now? Get a bonus today? Bring your pay plan and we will beat it. But hurry, we are only adding two people. Did you call yet? Ask for Rick 866-582-9291. Hurry, Only 2 openings!! Midland Motors. EOE

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Wood's Boots in Midland and Odessa are adding to our teams. We are looking for talented Sales Associates and Assistant Managers at multiple locations. Stop in today and pick up an application at any of our four locations.

**Sales**
Mason Drywall Supply is looking for motivated, personable sales counter people to work in our retail store. Weekday position, no nights, holidays. Ability to speak Spanish and experience in building materials a plus. Full time, no weekends or holidays. Paid vacations and benefits. Applications accepted at 2012 Trade Drive, Midland, TX

**Sales**
Oil & gas service company looking for motivated sales people in the Permian Basin. 3 years minimum exprience required. Benefits available. Pay based on experience. Email resumes to resumes@cardinaloilfieldservices.com or fax to 903-723-0047

SCIENCE & RESEARCH

**LAB TECHNICIAN**
Growing oilfield company looking for a **Lab Technician**. Laboratory experience is not required but preferred. Please send resumes to Justin Disney at **Justin.Disney@catalystoilfield.com**

SKILLED LABOR

Northern Natural Gas
A MIDAMERICAN ENERGY HOLDINGS COMPANY

**Mechanical Analyst**
**Northern Natural Gas Company**

Northern Natural Gas Company, a subsidiary of MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company, is seeking two Senior Operation and Maintenance Technicians in the Midland, Texas area. One of the positions performs preventative maintenance on pipeline and gas measurement equipment. One of the positions performs compressor station mechanical maintenance and operational duties. Associated work equipment, power tools, hand tools and specialized instruments are utilized by the technicians. Compliance with state and federal specifications, codes, safety standards, Northern Natural Gas operating procedures and maintaining records is required. All qualified candidates must possess a valid driver's license, high school diploma or equivalent education, strong verbal, written skills and computer knowledge utilizing Windows based programs. Operations skills are beneficial. Candidates are required to carry a cell phone and are subject to call-out 24/7 and possible extended workdays. Working conditions include exposure to hazardous conditions including escaping gas, adverse weather conditions and temperatures, heights, high-pressure gas, heavy lifting and cramped spaces.

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**No out of pocket costs—Tools, Vehicle, Uniform provided by the Company**

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**Qualifications Needed:**
- 5 years experience in managing and supervising employees
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- Sales experience and must be willing help with sales and marketing efforts
- Must have contacts and relationships with oil and gas decision makers in the Permian Basin
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- Must have a valid Texas driver's license
- Previous job references needed

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**Competitive Salary plus Commission.**
**Work truck provided.**
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**Work location is Midland, Texas**
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**TMI Mechanical** currently hiring **Licensed Commercial Plumbers & Experienced Helpers** for local jobsites. We offer top pay (up to $28/hr DOE and we will pay additional for medical gas endorsements). Paid medical, paid vacations and holidays. Must have good driving record. Please call 432-686-0002 for interview.

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SALES JOBS

## Multi-Media Sales Consultant

The Midland Reporter-Telegram and mywesttexas.com advertising department is looking for a Multi-Media Sales Consultant. The ideal candidate will have a proven track record of personal sales successes, preferably in a newspaper/media environment. Some knowledge of the advertising industry would be helpful, but not required.

Duties for this position will include, but are not limited to selling advertising in all print publications of the Midland Reporter-Telegram and all online products, including mywesttexas.com.

**Qualifications & Skills:**

- *Ability to work in a fast-paced, deadline oriented-environment*
- *Excellent customer service and time management skills*
- *Highly organized with the ability to work independently with minimal supervision*
- *Detail-oriented with good communication, spelling and math skills*

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Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois Avenue, Midland, TX 79701
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**Selling Newspapers On The Street Corners**
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### OPERATIONAL ENGINEER

**LCS PRODUCTION COMPANY**, an established (30+ years), aggressive oil & gas company seeks an operational engineer w/ 20+ years of well-rounded experience. Must be familiar with various operations including drilling, water flood, work overs and team management. Excellent salary and benefits with an opportunity to earn equity. Principals only send resumes to: **LCS Production Company, Operational Engineer Search P. O. Box 6663 Abilene, TX 79608** or e-mail resumes to: **employment@lcsproduction.com**

### PRESSMAN

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an immediate opening in its Production Department for the position of: PRESSMAN for our Harris N 1650 Printing presses.
This 5-6 day per week, fast paced, deadline oriented position, requires: night shift/weekend work, with a strong emphasis on safety. The Midland Reporter-Telegram offers a full package of company benefits including 401K program. Salary DOE.
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### Shop Hands

**Fab Tech Drilling** FT
Now hiring Shop Hands. Must pass 6G pipe test. Apply in person at 2228 Stevens Rd. Odessa, Tx. 79764

### Welders, Painters and Sandblasters

**M & D Welding** FT
Single hand contract needed. Oil field experience a plus & Drivers License a must. Salary DOE. Please call for application 432-520-3853 or 432-638-8266

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

### Driver

**$1500 SIGN-ON Bonus**
**FFE Engineering is Hiring Experienced Oilfield Water Haulers**
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### CDL Driver

Reliable **CDL Driver** needed. M-F. 8a-5p. Please apply in person at **Slover Roofing Supply, 3010 West Front, Midland, Tx 79701** or call **432-689-2005**

### CDL Drivers Class

**Class A CDL Drivers needed preferably with Tandem experience in pumping unit installation. Top pay & benefits. 401K, Medical/ Dental insurance, uniforms all provided by company after 90 days. Contact Tim 432-553-1891**

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

### CDL DRIVERS

**Ingram Concrete**, a stable and growing company, is currently seeking **CDL Drivers** for Mixer and Tractor-Trailer full-time positions located in Midland. Compensation based on driving experience. Paid weekly. Home daily / week-ends. Guaranteed hours. No waiting period for medical insurance. Full benefits. Please apply at **2608 N. FM 1788** in Midland or call **432-561-8922** for more info EOE M/F/D/V

### CDL Drivers

Mason Drywall Supply seeks Class A and Class B CDL drivers. Duties include: loading, stocking, and delivering various building materials Full time with opportunities for overtime. No nights, weekends, or holidays. Paid vacations and benefits. Applications accepted at Mason Supply, 2012 Trade Drive, Midland, TX.

### Class A CDL Drivers

**Horizon Transportation seeks experienced Class A CDL Drivers, clean driving record, criminal background, and sand hauling experience preferred. Excellent pay & benefits. Please call 432-699-4468. Or apply in person at 3913 FM 715, Midland, Texas, 79706**

### Class A CDL Truck Drivers

Prefer drivers with Pneumatic Tanker experience. Benefits include: medical, life and dental insurance, and paid vacation. Applicants having experience hauling sand and/or dry cement helpful. Good driving record, DOT, drug & alcohol testing required. Apply in person, call **432-563-1894** for interview or online @ **www.rockwaterenergy.com**

### Crane Operators

TNT Crane & Rigging is currently Hiring Qualified Crane Operators. Needs NCCO/CDL. Top Pay, Benefits, and Per-Diem. Please email jharrison@tntcrane.com or call 432.242.4980 to request an application EOE

### Delivery Driver/Counter & Warehouse Person

Must have clean driving record and a desire for long term employment. Apply in person **2910 W. Wall, Midland, TX.**

### Driver/Deisel Mechanic

**Troy Vines, Inc.** FT
Drivers needed. Class A/B CDL required. Deisel Mechanic. Pay DOE. Call 432-682-7031 for more info.

### Drivers: $2500 Sign-On Bonus!

**Dedicated Runs! Solo & Trainers, Top Pay, Weekly Home-Time!**
**Werner Enterprises: 1-855-515-8445**

### DRIVERS

**JW Enterprise** is looking for **Drivers** with Class A CDL. Must have a good driving record. Competitive Wages and a great place to work On the job training. Contact 432-425-9036 or 432-458-3675 for more information. Serious applicants only.

### Experienced Diesel Mechanic

**Horizon Transportation seeks experienced Diesel Mechanics excellent pay & benefits. Please call 432-699-4468. Or apply in person at 3913 FM 715, Midland, Texas 79706**

### Experienced Driver

**G & K Trucking, Inc.** FT
Local trucking company seeks an experienced **Class A CDL HOTSHOT driver** in the Midland area for local, regional and out of state deliveries. Benefits include bonuses, scheduled days off, medical insurance and paid vacation. Hazmat preferred. Please call **432-413-2472** Mon-Fri.

### Hot Shot Drivers

**Flatland Trucking, Inc** needs experienced **Hot Shot Drivers** ASAP. Starting pay **$19-$23**, average **$4500-$6500** a month. Offer full benefits, bonus & commission. Must have Class A CDL, must live in Midland or Odessa & be able to be on call 24/7 on scheduled days. No lease ons. For phone interview call Danielle **432-269-2162**. No walk-ins.

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

**Is your career taking YOU where you want to go?**

SAIA LTL Freight

One of the most successful LTL carriers in the US has an immediate opening for

***Local City Drivers***
at our **Odessa Terminal**
Start at $21.86/hr if you have at least 1 yr of LTL, multi-stop or pickup & delivery exp. PLUS
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***Line Haul Drivers***
Start at **$.465-$.55CPM**
PLUS ***$5,000 Sign On Bonus***
**Must have Class A -CDL w/ Hazmat, Doubles/Triples & Tanker with 1yr Exp.**
**Excellent Benefits**:
Medical/Vision/RX Insurance starts at only $12.00/wk!
Paid life & disability, 401K w/ 50% match, & paid time off.
**For Immediate Consideration**
Complete an *Employment* Application under the "*Careers*" section at:
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### Mechanic and Helper Wanted

**SOC Industries LLC** Now hiring **experienced diesel mechanic and mechanic helper**. You will earn top wages and performance/safety bonuses. Benefits include: paid health insurance, paid vacations, paid holidays and furnished uniforms. Must have own tools. Apply in person at **2324 FM 715, Midland Texas 79706**, fax resumes to **423-820-0035** or email resumes to: **timgreer@socind.net**. No phone calls please.

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**Hiring full crew (Tandem Driver with Crew) for pumping unit set and repair. Top wages with benefits after 90 days. Must be able to pass a drug test. Interested parties contact Dillon @ 432-559-5552.**

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FORD 2012 F-250 Lariat FX4 Diesel. 95k miles. All the extras. $34,500. Call 432-214-5521

NISSAN 2004 Titan King Cab. white, 4 wd, 125 k miles, runs great. Perfect school or work truck. $7,250. Call 432-967-4212

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2002 TAHOE z71, 4WD, Sunroof, 225K miles. $4000, 432-425-3997

2003 HONDA Pilot EX-L V6 RES, Taffeta white, gray leather, 140,650, DVD/TV, Climate, 3rd seat, rear air, car fax incl. $7,250 OBO. Call/Text 432-556-4777

2012 TOYOTA Sequoia Platinum 4WD; 30,000 miles; black ext. red rock leather int.; $46,900; great condition; 432.288.4026

BUICK 2007 Rendevouz V6, 93,200 miles, well maintained, great condition, 3rd row seat, back up sensors, almost new tires, maroon exterior, grey interior, $7500. Call 432-694-2806

CHEVY 2009 Tahoe LS. Excellent Condition. Lots of Extras. We Finance 683-6222 bnbmidlandtx.com

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GMC 2008 Yukon XL Maroon with gray interior, 94K miles, $18,500. Call 432-269-0064

TOYOTA 2007 Sequoia LT. Maroon, loaded, one owner, good cond, 95k mi, $15600. Call 432-528-9088

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## Motorcycles

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## Estate Sales

**ESTATE SALE**
**ALLEN & ALLEN LAW OFFICES**
**2011 WEST OHIO**

**Fri 5:30-7:30pm Set 9-1 Sun 2-4**

**Due to parking we are starting this sale at 5:30 pm on Friday. Saturday and Sunday wil be no problem parking.**

OFFICE: Myrtle desk, desk chairs, credenzas, filing cabinets, bookcases, leather office reception chairs, 1940's typewriter desk, console tables, office supplies, hundreds of 3" and 4" vinyl notebook binders.

OTHER FURNITURE: Antique wicker writing desk, glass top table/metal bamboo base with 6 arm chairs, metal bamboo sofa table, étagère, club chair & ottoman and énd table, Chippendale style end table and coffee table, great lamps, wash stand, library table, 4 cane back chairs, Eastlake style chair and ottoman, marble top table with butterfly legs, drop leaf table, pair of Lawson club chairs, small sofas, 2 dining tables, dining chairs, buffet, small china cabinet, tiger oak table, framed prints and more.

MISCELLANEOUS: Law books, metal bird cage, very large pots, art glass, small garden seat, cat collection, very large cross, plants, wicker étagère, toaster oven, toaster, coffee pot, glassware, luggage, TVs, refrigerator, old medical posters, collectible Golden books, massaging foot bath, chrome smoking stand, 1940's Life magazines, and more.

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**All major credit cards accepted**

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**Industrial Street Antiques is downsizing.**
**We have sold the building.**
**Storewide sales 30%-50% off or better.**
**Lots of store displays, all sizes.**
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1995 JAYCO motor home, 27', microwave, refrigerator, everything very nice. Automatic step. $8,000 OBO. 432-528-8358

2008 FLEETWOOD Tioga Ranger Class C Ford 450, bought new 12-08, 12,000 miles, Kitchen and living slide out, TVs, many upgrades. $6,000 Leveling jacks, kids gone to college, perfect for kids, sleep or watch movies while traveling, bargain sale. Like new. $47,950. Individual 512-556-9112, 512-737-0477, or billandjudyworrell@yahoo.com

2012 HOLIDAY Rambler 26', pull type, like new, large slide out, air, roll out awning, sleeps 6, stereo & TV, many extras. $16,500 281-924-7125

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## Garage -Estate & Yard Sales

## Yard & Garage Sales

**79707**

3536 IMPERIAL Saturday 7am-3pm and Sunday 7am-12pm On the side of Godfrey St Clothing, dishes, pet items, household items, & lots of misc.

3601 HYDE Park Sat 8:00 am to 2:00 pm & Sun 9:00 am to 12:00 p.m. Wall art, bedroom sets, sofas, futon, recliner, weight bench and exercise machine, TVs, and bedding and linens.

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# Driving Sales

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**ANSWER:**

**I'm not so sure if it's typical, but it's certainly not surprising in today's mortgage marketplace. Here's what's going on.**

A number of new financing standards have gone into effect due to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street and Consumer Protection Act. The new rules largely represent a return to the lending standards that were in place before the mortgage meltdown, a period when both foreclosures and lender losses were rare.

There are three likely reasons why you're seeing tightly bunched loan quotes.

First, lenders want your business. According to the Mortgage Bankers Association, 2014 will not be a great year for loan originations. It predicts that loan volume to purchase homes will pick up by a mere 3.8 percent.

Meanwhile, refinancing activity is expected to drop by 60 percent. The result is that borrowers have a lot of leverage in the marketplace.

Second, new lending rules encourage lenders to quote mortgage rates within a tight band.

Under Wall Street Reform, lenders are encouraged to make "qualified mortgages," loans that meet certain standards. There are a variety of rewards for lenders who offer QMs, including virtual immunity from borrower legal claims.

Among the QM standards are rules that relate to interest rates. In brief, the deal is that when a loan is for $100,000 or more, most lenders will want to offer an interest rate that is not greater than 1.5 percent above the Average Prime Offer Rate. With such a rate the lender will have substantial immunity against potential lawsuits.

Borrowers should be aware that the APOR and the APR are different financial measures: The APOR is an index published by the federal government, while the APR – the annual percentage rate – reflects the cost of the loan, including expenses in addition to the interest rate.

That get's us to the third point: Lenders can charge more than 1.5 percent above the APOR if they choose, so borrowers still need to shop around. That's the sure way to understand the marketplace and get the best rates and terms.

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# ALL'S WELL THAT APPRAISES WELL

**AN APPRAISAL IS AN IMPORTANT YET TRICKY-TO-NAVIGATE PART OF THE REAL ESTATE PROCESS. ENSURE YOU'RE GETTING A FAIR QUOTE WITH THESE EXPERT TIPS**

By ALEX GALLUCCI
CTW Features

An appraisal is an important part of any real estate transaction. It helps the seller determine an asking price and helps the buyer's lender determine a maximum loan amount.

Yet, given its important, how does a buyer or seller know they can trust that number?

Recently, mortgage giant Fannie Mae introduced a service called Appraiser Quality Monitoring, a list that serves as a guide to banks and lenders about doing business with a number of appraisers, based on appraisal data it has collected, monitored and evaluated.

While the list is available only to Fannie Mae-approved lenders, it already has put several appraisers on a so-called "blacklist" for inflating appraised value of homes, errors in reporting the characteristics of a home and not using comparable sales of similar homes.

"They very closely review the quality of underwriting and appraisal work, and if they see repetitious inaccuracies in appraisals or appraisal companies, they may end up on that list," says Don Maxon, an independent certified financial adviser in San Rafael, Calif.

Here, real estate experts offer suggestions to help ensure you receive a fair appraisal.

## KEEP IT LOCAL

Lenders cannot choose a specific appraiser to assess a property. But by speaking with your mortgage adviser about the appraisal company with which they work, you can help ensure that the company is local and experienced, says Sean Murphy, a mortgage consultant at RPM Mortgage in San Francisco.

Appraisers that have knowledge of the local market, its housing trends and the local community are vital, as these aspects can affect a home's valuation.

"Particularly in an area where there might be more uniqueness to the properties, getting a local appraiser can be important," Maxon says.

The appraiser will try to find comparable sales that are good fits for your property, says Mark Bird, an independent appraiser with Bird & Associates in Oak Hill, Va. Features such as proximity to a city, size of the home and the property and waterfront or scenic views are all qualities that affect a home's valuation.

If the appraisers are not local, you may want to consider another lender, Maxon adds.

## BRING YOUR REAL ESTATE AGENT

Stricter regulations that prohibit undue influence on an appraiser's valuation have been imposed since the global financial crisis.

"Appraisers have become much more resistant to any kind of influence of the valuations," says Maxon.

However, the presence of a real estate agent can help facilitate the process by offering helpful information to the appraiser, says Murphy, who recommends presenting a list of any updates, changes or upgrades made to the property.

It's important to remember that the general marketplace may not interpret the unique features of your home as valuably as you see them.

"Homeowners generally tend to think that their exclusive taste and their interior improvements have a lot of value," Maxon says.

Further, when it comes to appraisals, you may get what you pay for.

"You can't do a thorough job for a real discounted fee," says Bird, who has worked in the real estate industry for more than 25 years.

Large mortgage lenders may be willing to accept low bids from appraisers, which can mean using the services of appraisers who are less experienced or less thorough, says Bird.

"To be sure, talk to your lender to find out what type of fees the appraiser will be collecting for the service."

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BUYING & SELLING

# DOLLAR DEALS

Pay for the home completely in cash? It's on the rise, but there are pros and cons to an all-cash deal

They say there's no romance without finance. For many, there's also no residence without financing. But more homebuyers than you'd think actually prefer pure cash transactions, in which the balance is paid in full without mortgage loan borrowing.

In fact, based on new data recently released by RealtyTrac, deals completely involving cash accounted for 29.1 percent of all home purchases in 2013, up from 19.4 percent the year before; in December 2013 alone, all-cash transactions represented 42.1 percent of all U.S. residential sales.

John R. O'Brien, a Chicago real estate attorney, says there are several reasons why buyers choose to pay cash. They often get a better deal from sellers who prefer a faster closing and not having to wait for a buyer's loan to be approved. Buyers may have an aversion to debt be unwilling to pay the higher interest rates associated with mortgage financing for certain properties. They have poor credit that prevents them from qualifying for financing, or they could be downsizing retirees who can afford a cash transaction.

The advantages of cash deals are that buyers don't have to pay interest; they own the home outright without fear of making monthly payments or foreclosure (so long as your property taxes are paid); and they have the ability to negotiate better pricing and act on deals faster while also closing quicker.

"The cons are that you'll miss out on the tax write off that mortgage interest payments give you, and you won't have as much liquid cash for other investments," says Theresa Bastian, broker/owner of Keep Austin Weird Homes in Austin, Texas.

To ensure a smooth and safe cash transaction, "the buyer should always consult a competent real estate professional or appraiser, who can tell them what the place is truly worth before they sign a contract, and an attorney before or at the time the contract is signed, since there is no lender looking out for possible problems with things like the title," says O'Brien.

"Cash-only purchases are the wiser approach – if you can afford it without completely draining all your assets – as you'll get a better price most of the time," O'Brien says.

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## THE OPEN HOUSE

**QUESTION: What is the "open house" and how effective is it as a sales tool?**

**ANSWER:** The open house allows the Realtor's office to expose your home in a short period of time during a weekend afternoon to many buyers who may be attracted through advertising and signs.

The seller can help by having the home in the best showing condition - curtains open, belongings packed neatly away, a fresh aroma throughout the house. A quick cleaning and polishing can put that extra touch that buyers like to see when looking at a home.

It all pays off. You'd be surprised at how many homes are purchased directly by open house visitors.

Pruitt

*Jeaneen Pruitt, Broker/Associate, Pine & Beckett Realtors.*

## 5 Crucial Steps to Take When Planning a Home Remodel

Having the flexibility to turn your home into your dream house is an amazing feeling, and remodeling can be fun. But imagine being halfway through your kitchen remodel only to realize the money you budgeted isn't enough to cover completing the project! This is a perfect example of why proper home remodeling planning is so important. Below are five steps from handymanconnection.com that everyone should follow before the remodeling process takes place.

**1. Draw a plan to define a clear idea of what you want the end result to look like.** Write down any and all thoughts you have in regards to the desired room design. Draw where you think, furniture pieces may go; describe how certain elements will be incorporated. The plan can change throughout the remodeling process, but having that visual at the start will help guide the project as things progress. If you are having difficulty formulating a remodeling plan, call a professional handyman or designer to help with direction and give you more ideas.

**2. Research the various elements involved in your plan.** Oftentimes, other people have carried out the same projects themselves and can offer valuable advice. Save time by learning from others' experiences, rather than by your own trial and error. If you find your kitchen remodeling, for example, is beyond your capabilities, a skilled handyman may offer expertise that can enhance your plan beyond your expectations. Once you have done your research, you will have a better idea of how much money and time are required to complete the plan.

**3. Create a budget that you are comfortable devoting to your project.** Before you begin purchasing materials and securing labor, you need to set a limit to ensure that spending does not get out of control. At this point, your plan may need alterations to fit within your budget restraints. Proper budgeting ensures your plan can be carried out to completion.

**4. Gather help from experienced craftsmen to ensure your success.** While some handy homeowners may opt to remodel alone, having others help will make the process a smoother experience. In some cases, that can be as simple as collecting friends and family to share the labor. Unfortunately, this type of help does not always give you the professional results you hope to achieve. Sometimes it may be best to bring in a professional. In order to complete kitchen remodeling, for example, you will most likely need some professional help.

**5. Get the appropriate permits required by your local government to make sure your project complies with local building codes.** Make sure to apply at your local town office for any necessary permits involved in your remodeling project. If you are unsure of how to go about this or which permits you require, handyman services can be extremely helpful.

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TOP 5

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## *Solutions For Those Who Don't Have Enough Cash To Purchase a Home*

So many in America desire to become home owners. They know that home ownership is the most likely path towards financial security for their family as well as freedom from the tyranny of landlords. Indeed, Federal Reserve Board studies have shown that owners have a net worth many time that of renters. The goal of owning not only promotes financing security, but also promotes stability and the freedom of choice.

*The next question is — 'why don't more Americans purchase a home'*

There are many obstacles on the road to achieving home ownership but studies by mortgage giant Fannie Mae have shown that the clear number one obstacle is the lack of liquid assets. Many Americans have the income and credit to qualify but amassing savings is difficult in this day and age. Some of this is misinformation on the part of those who don't own a home. Many feel that it takes tens of thousands of dollars in cash to purchase, but that is not always the case. The purpose of this article is to look at alternatives that lessen cash requirements plus give potential homebuyers ideas of where to come up with the necessary capital to purchase their first home or perhaps move up from their present home.

Lower down payment programs. There are specialty programs which lessen or even eliminate the need for a downpayment. For example the VA Mortgage Program requires no down payment but is open only to active military and veterans, as well as reservists and those who have served in the National Guard. In less populated areas the USDA Rural Housing Program also requires no down payment. The Federal Housing Administration (FHA) Mortgage Program requires only 3.5% down and is accessible to all buyers who do not have a present FHA mortgage. For example, 3.5% down on a $300,000 sale price is $10,500. Zero down to 3.5% down? That is lower than most expect before they start their search for their first home.

*The next question is — 'where can this money come from, especially if you don't qualify for VA or a Rural Housing Loan'*

Here are two important alternatives.....

Gifts–Typically a gift from an immediate relative is allowed for a purchase transaction. FHA and VA Programs allowed what is called "100% Gifts." This term means that the total cash necessary for the transaction is allowed to come from a gift. Some conventional programs also allow 100% gifts, but others may require the applicant to have 5.0% of their own money contributed towards the transaction.

Borrowing Secured. Another fact not widely known by real estate agents and home shoppers is that the home purchaser can borrow the money necessary for the down payment secured against an asset. For example, if a person owns a home with equity, they can take out a second mortgage in order to purchase another home. Of course, first time buyers don't own a home, so the question is — 'what kind of asset can they borrow against?'

The 401K Advantage. By far, the greatest asset owned by those who are renters is their retirement accounts. General mortgage lending rules allow a person to take a loan against their 401K to purchase a home. Even better, in some situations lenders may not count the payment for this loan when computing qualification ratios. Note that all types of retirement accounts do not necessarily allow the ability to borrower against the asset. But even if you can't borrow against the account, you could remove funds to purchase a home. Even though there will be a tax penalty (except in the case of a Roth IRA), this penalty will be outweighed by the tax benefit of home ownership in the long run.

It should also be noted that your retirement account will be counted as an asset for required reserves even if you don't remove the funds, though there will not be a dollar-for-dollar credit because of the cost of removing funds.

What about closing costs associated with purchasing a home?

While it is true that purchasing a home comes with transactional costs, you can use the two strategies above to pay these costs plus you can use the following two additional alternatives as well.

Seller Contributions. Some or all of the money needed for closing costs typically can be paid by the seller in a purchase transaction. On VA loans, the seller can pay all closing costs. On FHA loans, the seller can pay up to 6.0% towards closing costs. On minimum downpayment conventional loans, the seller can pay up to 3.0% of the sales price towards closing costs. It is important to negotiate these "seller concessions" before the contract is ratified.

Lender-paid closing costs. Lenders now offer mortgage alternatives which lessen the cash needed to purchase. For example, the purchaser can opt for a higher rate, no-point mortgage which in fact lessens closing costs. An even higher rate may mean that the lender can advance all credit for additional closing costs associated with the home purchase. In effect, the purchaser is financing their costs through a higher rate.

In summary, there are many ways for a lender to help you lessen or even eliminate the up-front cash needed to purchase. If you are interested in purchasing a home with the minimum cash required, contact me for more details regarding these alternatives.

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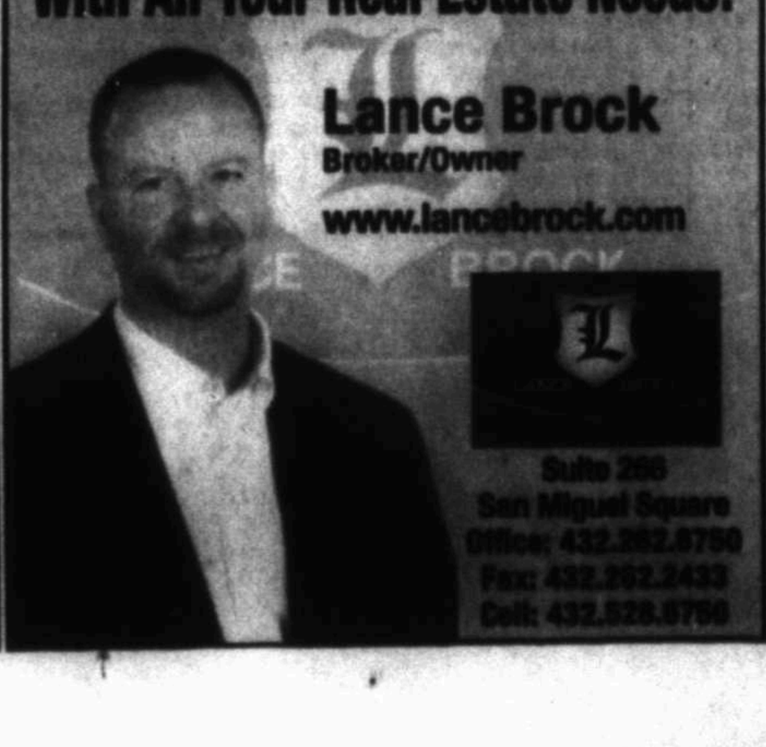

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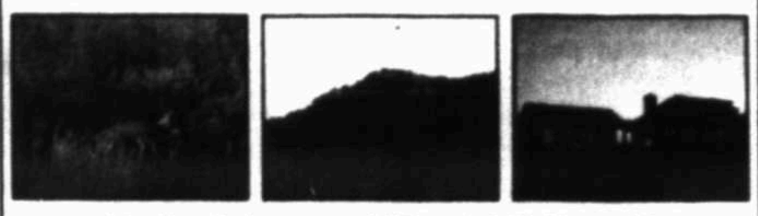

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**4081 ECR 81** - 2.34 AC. Bonito Estates ..... $104,130
**4201 ECR 81** - 2 AC. Bonito Estates ..... $98,800
**3219 Roosevelt** - 2 br 1 ba. 1 car garage. Cute & clean. New roof ..... $69,000
**N County Rd 1150**-5 acre tracts. cleared. move lots available ..... $45,000
**2609 Maxwell**-4br. 2ba ..... FOR LEASE $2,700 month $2,700 deposit
**438 W. Pine**-3br. 2ba. 2ga ..... FOR LEASE $2,150 month $2,150 deposit

## SUNDAY OPEN HOUSE

**Open 12:00pm-2:00pm**

**803 Storey - $169,900**
2 storey cottage. 3bd. 1 liv or 2bd. 2 liv. orig. wood floors.
Cassie Pearce 432-703-2545

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**Open 1:00pm-2:30pm**

**5605 Crowley Blvd - $349,900**
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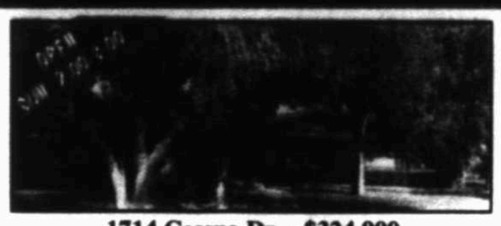

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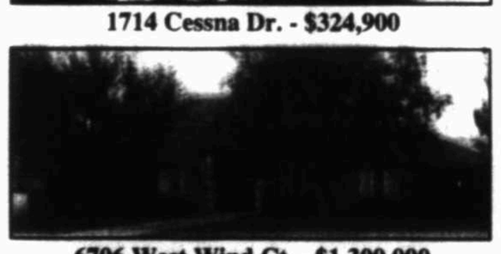

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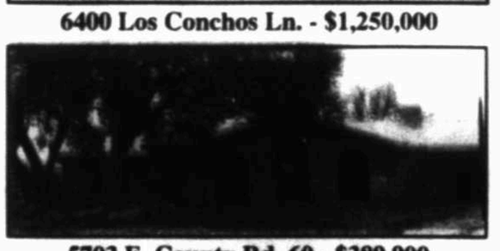

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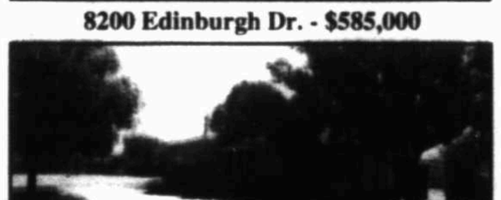

101 Spruce Ave. - $130,990

1504 Cascade Ct. - $225,000

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### New and Reduced Listings

**6400 Los Conchos Ln.** -Custom & Fantastic! ..... $1,250,000
**2900 Shell**-Great price in prime location! - move-in condition ..... $625,000
**805 Crested Butte Ct.** -Incredible world style 4 bedroom 3.5 bath. 3 living area. 4 car garage in Woodland Park. Wood beams. upgrades galore ..... $725,000
**915 Bedford**-Would you believe it has a racquetball court? Loads of awesome features ..... $670,500
**5300 Chesley Ct.** -Lovely 4/3 in Green Tree w/recent improvements ..... $589,000
**5703 E. Co. Rd. 60**-2784 sq. ft. w/in-law plan ..... $389,900
**1006 Shirley Ln**-Low maintenance townhome in coveted location! ..... $309,000
**3403 Limestone Ln.** - Lovely 3 BR/3bath home w/ versatile plan. pretty curb appeal and back yard. ..... $337,900
**1714 Cessna Dr.** -3/2.5. 3 living patio home. Lush landscaping w/mature trees in front ..... $324,900
**2910 Moss Ave.** -Updated and loaded. 3BR with office ..... $273,900
**2206 Western**-Grand Townhouse. Super sized rooms & storage ..... $245,000
**3406 Wedgewood**-Charming 2-2 1/2 + office Trinity townhome. Downstairs master. flexible upstairs den. study. loft. gameroom or 3rd bedroom. New carpet throughout 3/14 ..... $239,900
**504 Broadway, Stanton**-Wonderful historic home with 3 bedrooms. ready for move in! ..... $142,500

### Two Bedrooms

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### Three Bedrooms

**7100 E. Co. Rd. 110**-3/2.5/3 on 156.29 Acres. totally irrigated. perfect for development! *ABUNDANT WATER!!!* ..... W/I $2,750,000
**2900 Passage Way**-20 acres in town! gorgeous! ..... $2,595,000
**1406 W. Co. Rd. 150**-This one has it all! including extra large pool & party room - Hurry! ..... $675,000
**1006 Shirley Ln** Low maintenance townhome in coveted location! ..... $309,000
**3403 Limestone Ln.**-Lovely 3BR/3bath home w/versatile plan. pretty curb appeal and backyard ..... $337,900
**4005 Sherwood-Crest** floor plan. wonderful location and fantastic hot tub! ..... W/I $325,000
**1714 Cessna Dr.** -3/2.5. 3 living patio home. Lush landscaping w/mature trees in front ..... $324,900
**17 Winchester Ct.** -Bonus room. tile floors. coveted location ..... $310,000
**1423 Lanham St.**-Very nice 3bdr/2.5 bths with many updates ..... W/I $275,000
**2910 Moss Ave.** -Updated and loaded. 3BR with office ..... $273,900
**3406 Wedgewood**-Charming 2-2 1/2 + office Trinity townhome. Downstairs master. flexible upstairs den. study. loft. gameroom or 3rd bedroom. New carpet throughout 3/14 ..... $239,900
**5006, 5008, 5010, 5012 Preston Dr.** -Beautiful Mike Jackson patio home with custom features ..... W/I $230,000
**3407 S. Hwy. 349**-Great Commercial location ..... $225,000
**1504 Cascade Ct.** -Spacious 3BR, 2BA, grand den. high ceilings. rock fireplace. stainless appliances. gated pool. entertaining patios. yard ..... $225,000

### Three Bedrooms

**1120 Porterfield Rd.** -Immaculate Mark Payne resale! ..... $215,000
**1006 Gabrig Ave. -Move in ready!** ..... W/I $205,000
**#5 Mariner Ct.** -Hardwoods. great plan. squeaky clean ..... W/I $200,000
**2417 Apperson**--Lovely 3bdrm/2bth home with updated tile and appliances ..... W/I $199,000
**200 Cabrillo Dr., Odessa**-Move in ready! ..... W/I $198,000
**702 Shell Ave**.-Very nice 3 bdrm on large lot with detached storage and carport ..... W/I $199,000
**306 Keith**-one owner 3br/3ba/2 living. 1 garage. Could be 4br as den has closet and bath. Washer. dryer. frig. gas range. & microwave. Two storage buildings. storm cellar. Newer roof shingles. HVAC ..... W/I $155,000
**504 Broadway, Stanton**-Wonderful historic home with 3 bedrooms. ready for move in! ..... $142,500
**101 W. Spruce**-3br. 1bath. 2 living. lots of updates - open floor plan ..... $130,990

### Four Bedrooms

**6400 Los Conchos Ln.**-Custom & Fantastic! ..... $1,250,000
**2903 Winfield**- "Heart of Warwick" Gorgeous landscaping. great amenities ..... $1,100,000
**3 Hawthorne Ct.**-Fabulous family home in coveted Saddle Club. Beautifully updated! ..... $879,500
**1602 Country Club Dr.** -Beautiful 4br/3.5 bth in Old Midland ..... W/I $810,000
**4505 Bent Tree**-Lovely home in Green Tree North with pool! ..... $799,000
**805 Crested Butte Ct.** -Incredible world style 4 bedroom. 3.5 bath. 3 living area. 4 car garage in Woodland Park. Wood beams. upgrades galore ..... $725,000
**5200 Edinburgh**-4bdr/3.5bth on acreage! One owner custom home w/hardwood floors and granite kitchen ..... $585,000
**5300 Chesley Ct.** -Lovely 4/3 in Green Tree w/recent improvements ..... $589,000
**1009 Fringewood Dr.**-Fabulous 4BR/3BA in Grassland. light & bright with versatile space ..... W/I $455,000
**5703 E. Co. Rd. 60**-2784 sq. ft. w/in-law plan ..... $389,900
**7006 Keyhaven**-Hurry to make your selections on this custom 4/3/3 Trailbridge Home in Odessa! ..... W/I $355,725
**7004 Keyhaven**-Make your selections for this beautiful 4/3/3 custom Trailbridge Home in Odessa! ..... W/I $350,855
**7008 Keyhaven**-Trailbridge Home! Hurry this one won't last long! 4/2 1/2/3 Trailbridge Home in Odessa! ..... W/I $344,250
**306 Keith**-one owner 3br/3ba/2 living. 1 garage. Could be 4br as den has closet and bath. Washer. dryer. frig. gas range. & microwave. Two storage buildings. storm cellar. Newer roof shingles. HVAC ..... W/I $155,000
**3315 Cuthbert Ave.** -Investor Special! Cash buyer - granite in kitchen ..... $149,000

### Five or More Bedrooms

**4 Willow Ct.**-Racquet Club at its finest. Perfect location. fantastic space. gorgeous amenities. Must see! ..... $2,000,000
**5011 N. Midland Dr.** -This spacious home has it all! Contemporary style great guest house. beautiful grounds. horse lovers dream includes an indoor arena! ..... $1,800,000
**6700 West Wind Ct.** -Elegant. family friendly 5/6 bedroom. 5.5 bath. 4/5 living areas. 5 car garage. parking pad. gorgeous pool/spa. koi pond. plus family yard on #5 Tee Box Green Tree North ..... $1,300,000
**4224 Baybrook Place**-Beautiful 4bdr/3.5 bth home with all the bells & whistles! ..... $1,125,000
**7003 Stardell**-Fabulous 5BR in Warwick. 4LA. pool. spa. gameroom. beautifully updated ..... $897,500
**2800 Shell**-5 bedroom in the "Heart of Warwick" ..... $825,000

### Town Homes and Patio Homes

**17 Winchester Ct.** -Bonus room. tile floors. coveted location! ..... $310,000
**5006, 5012 Preston Dr.** -Beautiful Mike Jackson patio homes with custom features. Won't last ..... $230,000

### New Construction

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**E. I-20-660+** acres just East of Midland on Interstate 20. Call Bill Scott for details ..... W/I $1,200,000
**4000 Bluebird**-20 acres in Greenbelt. ready for development! ..... $800,000
**Loop 250 & I-20**-approx. 20 acres. call Bill Scott ..... W/I $650,000
**5703 E. Co. Rd. 60**-2784 sq. ft. w/in-law plan ..... $389,900
**04 Lincoln Park**-San Angelo lot & boat house. Lake Nasworthy ..... $170,000
**Mockingbird Oaks**-1 Acre lot ..... $130,500
**7008, 7002 & 7010 Keyhaven, Odessa**-Very few lots left in Castle Ridge Phase 2-Hurry! ..... W/I $82,000 ea.

### Commercial Investment Property

**314-316 Sasser**-Free standing building with 2 suites. Clinic with 7 exam rooms. 2 offices. copy room. waiting area. reception & 5 bathrooms. 2nd office suite with 11 offices. reception. conference room. 2 break rooms. storage and 5 bathrooms. Call Bill Scott or Brandee Noll ..... $1,200,000
**5000 Block of N. Midkiff**-2.84+/- acres for development. great for office complex. Call Bill Scott ..... $575,000
**1702 E. New Jersey**-3,000 sq. ft. warehouse or shop. Call Bill Scott 682-1111 or Brandee Noll 230-4488 ..... $100,000
**0 Cotton Flat Rd.**-Zoned Industrial Park ..... $100,000

### Out of Town Properties

**3625 Country Club, San Angelo**-Fabulous! Lake front home. Southwestern Style ..... $695,000
**7006 Keyhaven**-Hurry to make your selections on this custom 4/3/3 Trailbridge Home in Odessa! ..... W/I $355,725
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**GREAT BUILDABLE LOT**
2.98 acres on a quiet cul de sac with sweeping mountain views and southern exposure. Full golf membership. Nice homes in the area. Seller is motivated - a must see. $98,000. #72029

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## WELCOME OUR NEW AGENT

Cassandra Pearce

The Doss Team at RE/MAX 1st Choice is excited to introduce to Midland our newest agent, Cassandra (Cassie) Pearce.

Cassie is a native of New York where she was raised by a mother who was an artist and a father who ran New York State Electric and Gas. She was educated at Mount Assumption, a private school and then attended Monterey California where she went to college eventually landing in upstate New York as an Audiometerist with a hearing center there. She also served a stint as president of Eagles Landing Investment Corp. in Dallas, Texas, which gave her much insight into the investment world.

Cassie decided to return to Texas and worked as an agent for RE/MAX Preston Road in Dallas. As the market in the Dallas began to fall in that area, Cassie decided to try her hand in another field and eventually ended up working with the Department of Homeland Security and was later transferred to Midland.

Seeing the market in Midland and realizing her knowledge of the industry, Cassie decided to return to the real estate industry and joined our Team last month. Cassie has been certified in Staging and Decorating and also holds the badge of Accredited Luxury Home Specialist.

We are excited to bring her knowledge and enthusiasm to our Team and anticipate her having a wonderful career in Midland!

Welcome Cassie!

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*OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 2:00 TO 3:00*
**3226 Fannin Ave.-NEW!**-Super nice 4 bed/2 bath home in Fannin School District! Tile, carpet, and wooden blinds throughout! Water well and 25X21 workshop with double overhead garage door! **$219,900**

**4+ BEDROOMS**

**2301 Texland Cir.** Absolutely stunning 6 bed/5 bath + 2 half baths with saltwater pool in Texland Estates! House sits on 2.2 acres with a guesthouse, 6 living areas, and lush landscaping! **$2,200,000**
**3800 Fairwood**-This stunning 5 bed/4.5 bath home sits on a quiet cul-de-sac in Mockingbird Heights! Some of its' incredible features include a gourmet kitchen, a beautiful wrought ironed railed staircase, hand scraped hardwood floors, gorgeous granite and a fabulous 1,420 sq. ft. guesthouse! **$999,900**
**4004 Island Dr.** -Spacious 5 bed/4.5 bath home in Green Tree North sits on the lake! Den boasts a towering fireplace and built-ins! Breakfast dining is open to the living and has a private patio! **$799,900**
**5408 Whitman**-Fantastic 5 bed/3 bath home sits on almost 7 acres! SOLD **$750,000**
**4700 Tottenham**-Absolutely gorgeous 5 bed/3.5 bath home on 1.3 acres! Gourmet kitchen and spacious living areas! Outdoor kitchen, sparkling pool, and in-ground trampoline! **$675,000**
**4015 Rustic Trail-NEW!**-Spectacular 4 bed/3.5 bath home in Green Tree sits on the #9 tee on the golf course! Updated kitchen, spacious bedrooms, in-law plan, and water well! **$660,000**
**4001 Breezeway**-Fantastic 4 bed/4.5 bath home in Green Tree North! SOLD **$660,000**
**3400 Meadowridge Ln.** Absolutely spectacular 4 bed/4 bath home in Trinity Meadows! U/C **$629,000**
**2110 Deanna Ln.**-Absolutely fabulous 5 bed/3.5 bath home in Grassland Estates! U/C **$488,900**
**4200 Iroh**- Spacious 4 bed/3.5 bath/3 living/2 dining home sits on 1.45 acres! 735 sq. ft. workshop, 2 water wells, and 4 car garage! **$425,000**
**4704 Dona Tree Blvd.** -Updated 4 bed/3 bath home in Green Tree! SOLD **$399,900**
**3905 Crestline Ave.**-Spacious 4 bed/3.5 bath home sits on a quiet cul-de-sac in Crestgate! SOLD **$398,000**
**4605 Rosewood Dr.**-Immaculate move-in ready 4 bed/2 bath home in Briarwood! Beautifully updated throughout! U/C **$334,900**
**5606 Crowley Blvd.**-Great find in Grassland Estates with 4 beds/3 baths/2 living areas + 3 car garage! Walls of windows and soaring ceilings throughout! In-law plan! **$309,900**
**3514 E Candy Rd 1130**-Fantastic 4 bed/2 bath property on 5 acres in Greenwood! Metal fencing on perimeter of property! **$250,000**
**3842 Blossom Ln.-008338**-Charming updated 4 or 5 bed/2.5 bath home on a restful curved street in East Odessa! U/C **$243,900**

**4+ BEDROOMS**

**3235 Fannin Ave.-NEW!**-Super nice 4 bed/2 bath home in Fannin School District! Tile, carpet, and wooden blinds throughout! Water well and 25X21 workshop with double overhead garage door! **$219,900**
**1704 Byron Ave. 008554**-Spacious 4 bed/3 bath with sparkling swimming pool! Kitchen opens to the den! Sequestered master bedroom! **$299,900**
**4713 Cindy Pl.-NEW!**-4 bed/2 bath home in Wyldewood Estates on a quiet cul-de-sac with lush landscaping! U/C **$285,000**

**1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS**

**3701 Timber Wolf Trail**-Custom Robert Anderson 3 bed/3 bath sits on 4.82 acres! SOLD **$425,000**
**2910 E FM 1212 STANTON**-Fabulous country property on 12.888 acres w/2 water wells, 60X25 workshop, 3 storage buildings and over 100 trees! **$370,000**
**901 Sorrell Ln.-NEW!**-Must see gorgeous 2 bed/2 bath updated townhome in gated Saddle Club Estates! U/C **$359,900**
**3711 Todd Rd.**-Spacious 3 bed/2 bath home on 1.5 acres! Large kitchen sequestered master bedroom, 2 dining, 2 living areas, and outdoor kitchen! **$320,000**
**3304 Marble**-Absolutely spectacular rockpoint showstopper! SOLD **$305,000**
**5000 Mount Vernon Ct.**-Fabulous 4 bed/2.5 bath home with 3 car garage and 7ft electric gate and fence! SOLD **$325,000**
**5500 Sundance Ct.**-Spectacular updated 3 bed/2.5 bath home in Grassland! SOLD **$300,000**
**2304 Bellechasse Ct.** - Spacious 3 bed/4 bath home with 3 living areas on a quiet cul-de-sac! SOLD **$239,900**
**720 Sinclair Ave.**- Fabulous 4 bed/2 bath home on a huge lot with great curb appeal and a metal roof! Miles of tile, hardwood floors, and walls of windows throughout! **$219,900**
**6001 County Rd. 035**-Absolutely fantastic 3 bed/2 bath country property on 2.25 acres in Greenwood! Open floor plan with spacious rooms and 30X40 metal workshop! **$199,900**
**2210 Shell Ave.**-Absolutely precious 3 bed/2 bath home with some updates! SOLD **$185,000**

**1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS**

**508 S. Lincoln St.-NEW!**-Absolutely spectacular 3 bed/2 bath new construction home from G.C. homes! Fabulous kitchen with granite & tons of cabinets! **$175,000**
**510 S. Lincoln St.-NEW!**- Absolutely spectacular 3 bed/2 bath new construction home from G.C. homes! U/C **$175,000**
**1327 E. Pine-NEW!**-Absolutely spectacular 3 bed/2 bath new construction home from G.C. homes! Fabulous kitchen with granite & tons of cabinets! **$175,000**
**1329 E. Pine-NEW!**-Absolutely spectacular 3 bed/2 bath new construction home from G.C. homes! Fabulous kitchen with granite & tons of cabinets! **$175,000**
**2100 W. Wadley #25-NEW!**- Precious 2 story 2 bed/2.5 bath townhome! Plantation shutters, Pergo flooring, mirrored walls, wood burning fireplace, and stainless appliances! **$150,900**
**4000 Avenue H**-Wow fantastic 3 bed/1.5 bath home within walking distance to school! U/C **$140,900**
**1400 E. Crescent Dr.-008334-NEW!**-Neat and nice 3 bed/2 bath home with bonus room! Open dining and kitchen! Family-size backyard with cinder block fence! **$139,000**
**109 Gray St. Stanton**.- Nicely updated 3 bed/1.5 bath home with a bonus room! Lots of new! SOLD **$129,000**

**LAND, LOTS AND RENTALS**

**4403 W-029**-Great commercial and & 7 acres with interstate 20 frontage! Business Park Zoning **$425,000**
**County Rd. 1260**- 32 Acre Tract **$399,900**
**County Rd. 2300**-Prime location for residential building sites minutes from Midland w/easy access to The Loop! Deed restrictions-No mobile homes! Water Wells without pumps! 29.98 acres **$299,880**
**2276 County Rd. 2001**-12.20 acre corner plat with more adorning acreage available! Great location in developing area with easy access to Loop 250 North! **$183,000**
**1836 W. County Rd. 140-NEW!**-9.8 acres for residential purposes only! Mobile home is allowed with underpinning! Water well 15 GPM, no pump! **$132,000**
**County Rd. 2300**-Prime location for residential building sites minutes from Midland w/easy access to The Loop! Deed restrictions-No mobile homes! Water Wells without pumps! 10.44 acres **$104,400**
**2221 Timber Wolf Lane**-Build in Midland's newest subdivisions Timber Wolf Estates- huge 5 acres in Martin County Roads will be paved by developer! 25 LOTS! **$75,000**
**1675 Timber Wolf Lane**-Build in Midland's newest subdivisions Timber Wolf Estates- huge 4.9 acres in Martin County Roads will be paved by developer! 25 LOTS! **$72,000**
**1998 Timber Wolf Lane**-Build in Midland's newest subdivisions Timber Wolf Estates- huge 4.3 acres in Martin County Roads will be paved by developer! 25 LOTS! **$64,500**
**Cutler Estates**.- Build in Gardendale's newest subdivision Cutler Estates! Approximately .75 acre lots! $35,000 per lot! Will build to suit! 16 LOTS! **$35,000**

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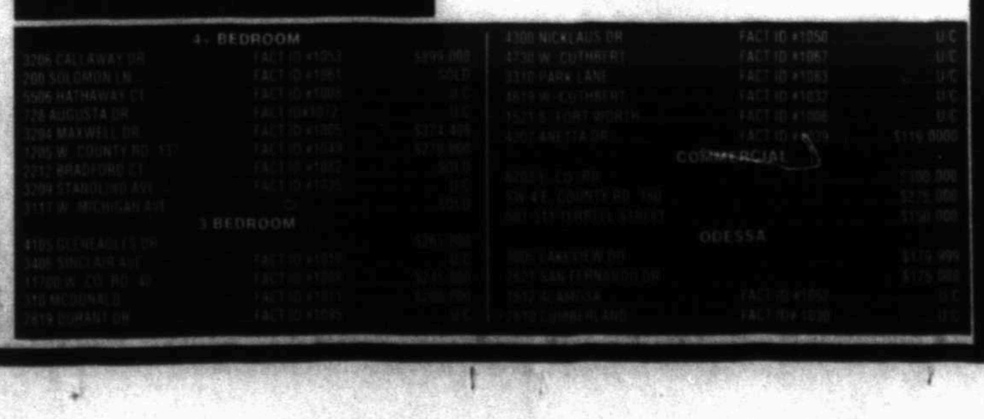

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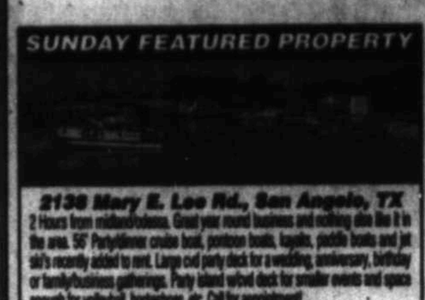

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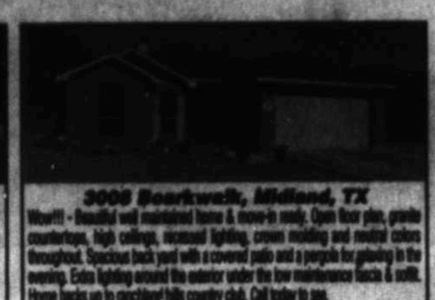

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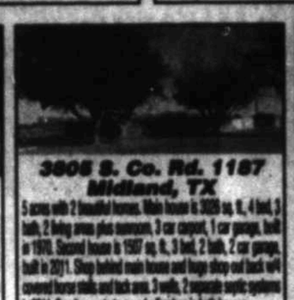

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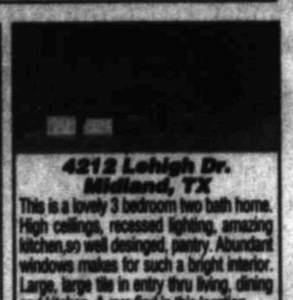

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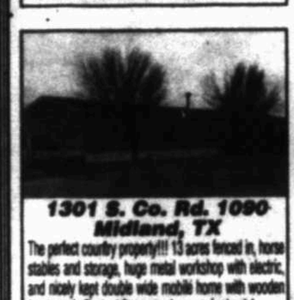

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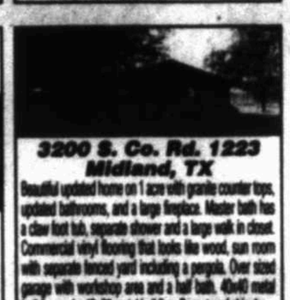

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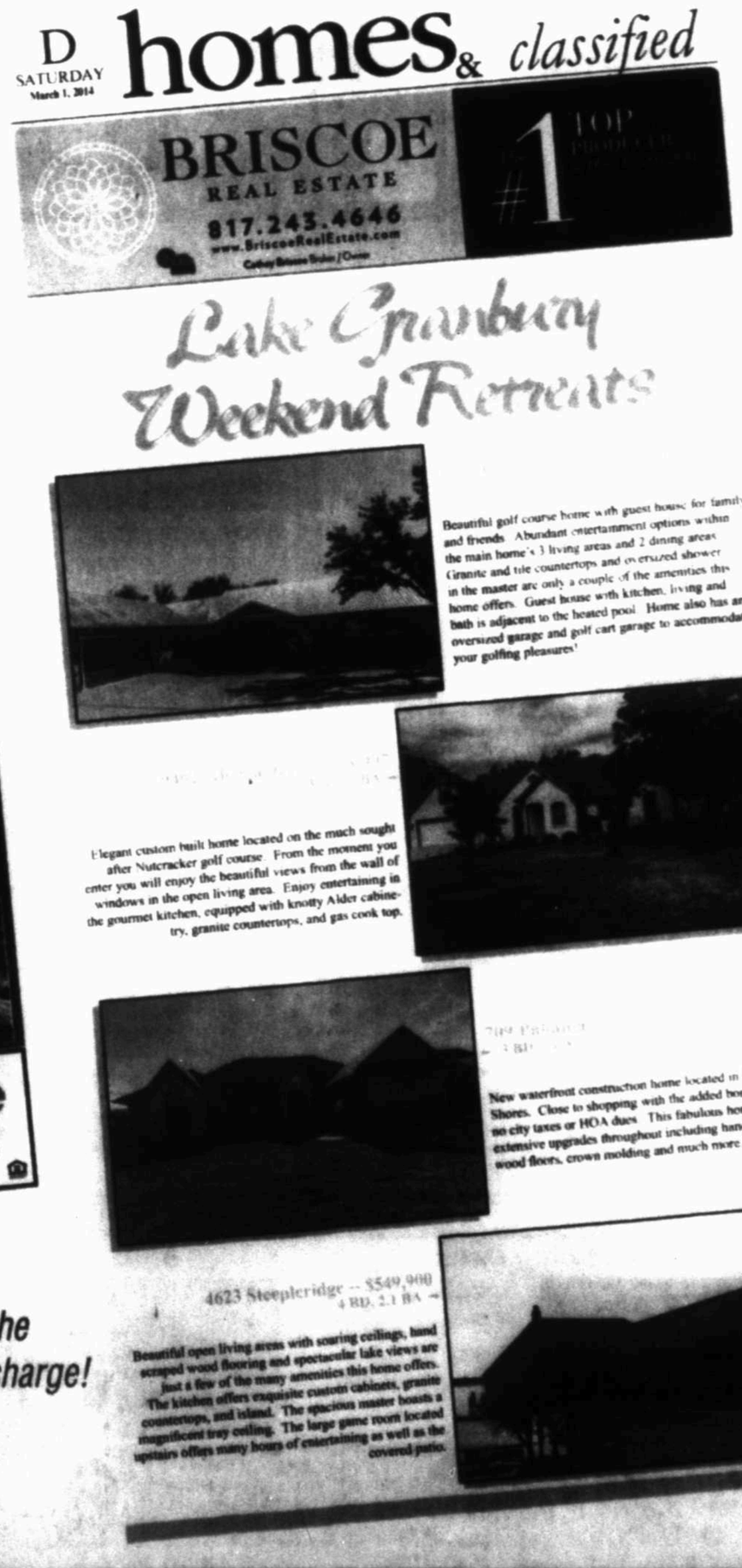


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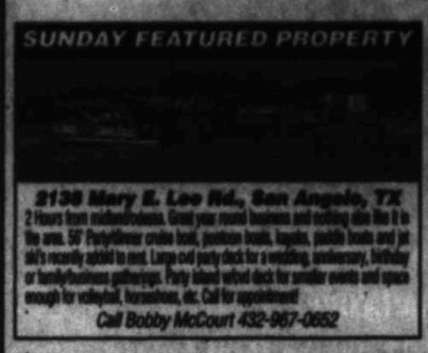

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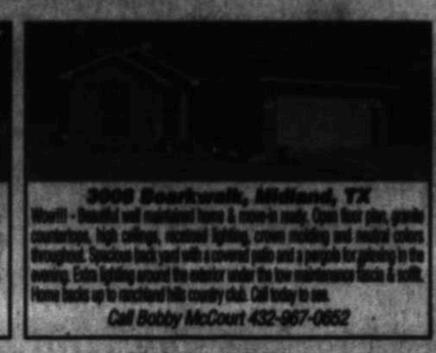

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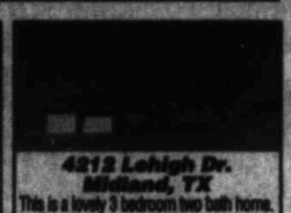

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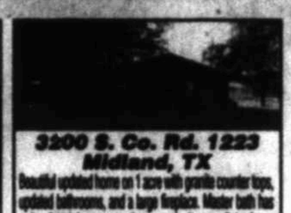

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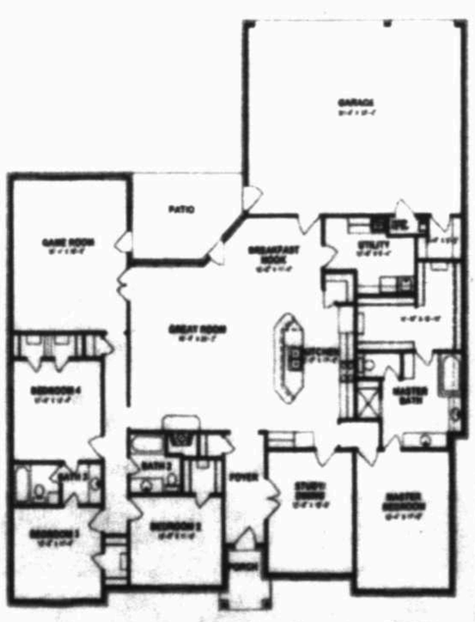

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**6521 Mosswood** - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Brand NEW Almand Home! Custom Detailing Throughout, LOADED w/moldings, rope trimmed cabinets, stainless, granite! This one is Fully LOADED! Estimated Completion April 1, 2014 ...... SOLD! $480,000
**5510 Casa Grande** - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 3 Car Garage. Fabulous Low Maintenance NEW Almand Construction! High End Finishes! Still Time To Make Selections. Estimated Completion July31st Under Construction! Please Call Norma For An Appointment! ...... New Construction! $439,900
**3124 Patrick** - 4 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath in Mayfield Place! HUGE Open Plan, Sunroom, Gorgeous Pergola! A Rare Gem!!! ...... ★★★Under Contract in 6 Hours!!! $399,500
**7605 Keyhaven**-4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 3 Car Garage! Brand NEW Construction. Rosas New Homes! Granite, Shutters, All The Bells & Whistles! Landscape Package! Estimated Completion May 2014! ...... Sale Pending! $398,500
**2403 SW Ave D, Seminole** - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 Living, 3 Car Garage. Luxurious 2 Story County Home in Seminole built in 2004! Traditional colonial drive up w/circle drive, Lots of space & storage! Fantastic Floor Plan, Oversized Yard! ...... New Price! $365,000
**5702 Greenridge** - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 3 Car Garage. Huge Kitchen w/Island & Granite Countertops!!! Spacious Home 2,800+ sqft. Huge Extended Patio for Entertaining!!! ...... Sale Pending! $349,950
**1012 Alpine**-4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Open Concept! Nicely Updated! Guest House and Swimming Pool, 4 Car Garage. Shop on a HUGE Lot! The possibilities are Endless!!! ...... Sale Pending! $339,900
**5204 Teakwood Trace** -4 Bedroom, 3 Full Baths, 2 Half Baths, 3 Living! Million $$ Golf Course View Here! Perfect Opportunity to Re-do Your Dream Home! ...... SOLD! $339,900
**5412 Ridgemont**-4 Bedrooms, 2.5 Bath, 2 Living. Beautiful Move-In Ready Home! Hardwood Floors, Crown Molding, Granite in Kitchen! ...... ★★★Under Contract Less Than 24-Hours! $329,900
**2601 Dengar** - 5 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Rare 2 Story in Fannin Terrace! Apprx 3,406 sq. ft. Lots of Updates & Upgrades. Giant Rooms! Inground Pool! ...... Sale Pending! $319,900
**2901 Sandhill** - 4 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath in Vista West!!! Spacious Corner Lot. Sequestered Master Bedroom ...... ★★★Under Contract Less Than 24 Hours! $255,000
**4429 Jameson Rd., San Angelo** - 4 Bedroom, 4.5 Bath. Vintage Midcentury Modern Ranch Style Home! Approx 4,400 sq. ft. Granite in Kitchen, Pool! ...... Sale Pending! $224,000
**3616 Baumann**-3 or 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 Living Areas! Great Open Plan! Sequestered Master Bedroom, Plenty of Storage! ...... New Price! $190,500
**5001 S Co Rd. 1136** - 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath on 1 Acre in a Quiet Cul-de-sac! Open Plan, Sequestered Master. HOA Neighborhood, FHA Approved! ...... Sale Pending! $119,900

### 2 & 3 BEDROOMS

**5104 N Co Rd. 1150** - 3 Bedroom, 3 Bath on 5 Acres! Tucked away on your own private retreat! Winding porch, granite, wood floors, heated tile floors in bathrooms! Sumptuous Master Bedroom w/2 complete master baths! Park like setting w/mature pecan trees! ...... Fantastic New Price! $559,900
**2700 Marie** - 3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, 3 Car Garage! Fantastic Find! Newer Custom Build, Super Hip & Functional Country Living Property! ...... OPEN TODAY!...New Price! $327,500
**5009 Los Alamitos**-3 or 4 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, 2 Living Areas. Location! Location! Saddle Club South! Beautiful Curb Appeal. Huge Master. Lots of Storage! ...... Offers Please! $290,000
**5506 Rio Grande** - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath in Holiday Hill! Bright & Open Floor Plan! Lots of Space! Sequestered Master Suite!!! ...... New Price! $289,900
**29 Lafayette**-3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath in Barkman Square! Custom 2 Story Townhome with ALL the Bells & Whistles! ...... Sale Pending! $248,155
**1208 W Michigan** - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath. Great Gourmet Kitchen w/Stainless Appliances! Hardwood Floors! Bonus Guest House in Back! ...... New Price! $247,500
**900 Neely**-2 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath Detached Townhome! Giant Master Suite Over Looking POOL! Generous Living Area. Terrific Courtyard! Recent Paint & Carpet. ALL Appliances Pass! ...... New Price! $239,900
**4533 N Robin, Odessa** - 3 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 3 Living, & 2 Dining! Need Space & Room to Roam? 2.5 ACRES w/Barn, House is approximately 2,655 sqft! ...... New Price! $222,000
**3001 Virginia** - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath Better Than NEW Home in Hollandale Heights! Move in Ready! Open Plan, Stainless Appliances, Sequestered Master! ...... New Listing! $210,000
**2000 North C Street** - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bathroom. Everywhere you look something has been replaced, redone, & updated to Look Fantastic! ...... Sale Pending! $204,900
**3234 W Dengar** - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2 Living Areas. Granite in the Kitchen!!! Large Corner Lot! ...... New Listing! $193,000
**2608 Mariana** - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2 Living Areas, 2 Car Garage. HUGE Lot in Town!!! 0.51 Acres. Huge Living Area. Beautiful Rock Fireplace! ...... New Listing! $189,900
**2605 Mark** - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath in Wydewood Estates! Vaulted ceilings, no carpet in this home! Immaculately Maintained!!! ...... New Listing! $189,900
**3410 W Louisiana** - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2 Living, 2 Car Garage. Cute Clean House! Big Kitchen! ...... Coming Soon! $169,900
**4508 Amigo** - 3 Bedroom, 1.5 Bath, 2 Living, Large Shop/Garage! Many Updates! Ready For You To Move In!!! ...... Offers Please! $149,900
**4528 Leddy**-3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2 Living Areas!!! Totally UPDATED Home! Brand NEW 2nd Bath, new carpet, fixtures. All new kitchen, & So Much More! To Too Much to List! ...... Sale Pending! $149,900
**3406 Tanner** - 3 Bedroom, 1 Bath Darling Darling Home!!!! Totally Remodeled! ...... Sale Pending! $129,777
**607 Sprabery** - 2 Bedroom, 1 Bath. New Cabinets, Fresh Paint, Gorgeous Moldings & Trim! Custom Details! So Much More! Expect to be IMPRESSED!!! ...... SOLD! $119,900
**1605 Butternut** - 2 Bedroom, 1 Bath, 2 Living Areas. IMMACULATE Home! What a Find! Hardwood Floors, Tile, Roof 2 years old. Expect to be Impressed! ...... Sale Pending! $119,900
**4207 Pleasant** - 3 Bedroom, 1 Bath, 2 Living. Cute Clean Home! Fresh Interior Paint, LOADED W/Ceramic Tile Flooring! Huge Backyard! ...... New Listing! $115,900
**3400 Sycamore** - 3 Bedroom, 1 Bath, 2 Living. Lots of Updates to this Home! Stainless Appliances, Newer Windows & Roof & So Much More! ...... New Listing! $114,500
**3215 Roosevelt** - 3 Bedroom, 1 Bath. ADORABLE Cute Cottage! Central Heat/Air, Doll House Deluxe! ...... New Price! $99,900
**3618 Pershing, Odessa** - 3 Bedroom, 1 Bath. Darling Clean Doll House!!! Updated paint & carpet. ALL Appliances Pass w/Sale! ...... Sale Pending! $89,900
**2604 Brunson** - 2 Bedroom, 1 Bath. Cute Cute Starter Home! Fresh Interior Paint, Stainless Electric Range! Large Back Yard! Great Price Point!!! ...... SOLD! $79,900
**1300 S Goode** - 3 Bedroom, 1 Bath. HEY YOU Handyman! Need a house to fix? 1 owner home ORIG owner from 1930! 0.388 of an acre. Storm cellar ...... Sale Pending! $45,000

### COMMERCIAL/LOTS/ACREAGE

**903 W Industrial** - 4 Total Buildings on 1.5 Acres! Office Building, Separate Metal Warehouse, 2 Shops! Call Norma For More Details! ...... New Listing! $795,000
**520 N CR W, Odessa** - Phenomenal Investment Opportunity Here! ENTIRE block of land, Church & Warehouses included! ...... New Price! $600,000
**3501 Billy Hext Rd., Odessa** - Fabulous Pad Site in Eastridge Office Park! Anchor Location! Call Chris for more details! ...... New Price! $425,000
**1111 W Wall** - Fantastic Opportunity to Own Your Own Business!!! Loads of Space, High Traffic Location! Zoned O1. Call Chris for Details ...... New Price! $325,000
**6112 Dunbarton Oaks** - Build Your Dream Home in New Mockingbird Oaks Subdivision! 1.01 Acres! ...... SOLD! $155,000
**Scharbauer Dr** - Investor Opportunity! 4 Lots Sold in package. 1201-1207 Scharbauer Dr. Owner will not subdivide. Ready to Build! May require flood insurance ...... Lots! $65,000
**N. Knotty Pine, Gardendale** - Wonderful Opportunity to Build Dream Home! Quiet County Setting on 2.41 ACRES! Call Norma ...... Sale Pending! $38,500
**Loop 464, Monahans** - No Known Restrictions! Corner lot on 0.41 Acres. Call Carol for details! ...... Lot! $10,000
**E County Rd. 60** - Lots Available! Horses Allowed. No Mineral Rights. Mobil & Modular Homes Allowed! ...... Call Ron! 349-6140

### LOOKING IN AUSTIN AREA?

**5611 Woodview Ave** - In the heart of Shoal Creek! Super Charming Cottage on an oversized lot. Wood Floors ...... New Price! $549,900
**2112 Townsman Trail** - Cedar Park 2 Yr old home by KB Homes! 4 Bd/2 Living in Fantastic Silverado close to 1431 shopping! ...... New Price! $244,900
**138 Dove Lane** - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath in gated Meadowlakes with access to lake LBJ! ...... Sale Pending! $199,000
**404 Emerald Way** - Fabulous Cul-de-sac Lot in Horseshoe Bay West Ready to Build On! Call 512-796-4340 ...... New Price! $29,900

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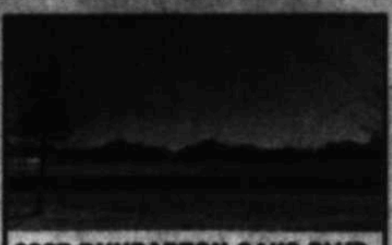
## FEATURED LISTINGS



**6207 DUNBARTON OAKS BLVD. $1,287,000**
Spectacular New construction by Troy Hunt Homes 5bed, 5bath 4car garage w/ a Gameroom in Mockingbird Oaks!

**2004 FRINGEWOOD - $619,900 UNDER CONTRACT**
Fabulous 4bed,4 1/2bath, 4 car garage Robert Graham Resale in Grassland West!

**5132 ASHDOWN - $249,900 UNDER CONTRACT**
Lovely updated 3 bed/2bath/2 garage in Saddle Club South.

**3901 LEHIGH $289,900**
Lovely, low maintenance 3/2/2 gar. W/ 30 x 30 insulated shop w/ electric opener, tool bench & loft storage.

**5 DIAIS CIRCLE $499,900**
Beautiful 4bed, 3bath, 2 living areas in Ponderosa East Odessa!

**1813 DUKES - $365,000 UNDER CONTRACT**
Gorgeous updated home in Polo Park! 4 Bed/3 bath/3 garage!

**3405 MARK LANE - $249,900 UNDER CONTRACT**
Nice! move in ready 4bed, 2bath, 2car garage in Fairmont Park!

**1311 PUEBLO - $209,900 UNDER CONTRACT**
Exceptionally maintained 3bed/2bath home in 349 Ranch Estates on a nice .47 Acre lot!

**3997 LAKESIDE DR. ODESSA, TX - $209,900 UNDER CONTRACT**
Nice 3 bed, 2 bath, 2 car home with a huge workshop!

**4705 AZALEA $299,900 UNDER CONTRACT**
Spacious 4bed 2 ½ bath home on a cul-de-sac in Briarwood!

**2513 HARVARD $245,000**
Large 3bed 2bath home in a fabulous location just feet away from beautiful Cowden Park!

**LAND 6512 MOCKINGBIRD LN. $120,000**
0.931 acre lot in the fabulous Los Conchos Estates! Country living inside City limits!

**7001 RIDGEBORO CT. $459,900 UNDER CONTRACT**
Stunning 4 bed 3 1/2 bath home in greentree north! Hardwood floors & granite through-out!

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## NEW CONSTRUCTION

### Houston Chalmers HOMES

U/C
**2506 Regency Oaks Court**
3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $535,000

### ASHINGDON HOMES

SOLD
**2501 Legacy Oaks Court**
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $545,000

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**5007 Crista Lane**
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $437,000

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## OPEN HOUSES TODAY

1:00-2:00
**5004 Widener Strip**
5 bedrooms, 4 baths, 4 car garage, priced @ $504,900

3:30-4:30
**6500 Saddle Horn Lane**
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $793,500

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*Harold Taylor*

## NEW CONSTRUCTION

### Crystal Homes
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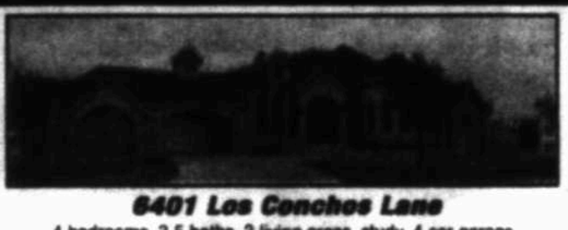

**6401 Los Conchos Lane**
4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 3 living areas, study, 4 car garage, priced @ $998,500

### Saenz Signature Homes

**2510 Regency Oaks Court**
3 bedrooms, 3 baths, study, 3 car garage, priced @ $599,800

### Carrasco Homes

**6500 Saddle Horn Lane**
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $793,500

## RESIDENTIAL LISTINGS/HOME SITES/ACREAGE

**RESIDENTIAL**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 3418 Baumann Ave | 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/1 Car Garage | SOLD |
| 3900 Douglas Ave | 4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage | U/C |
| 401 Pecos | Odessa/3 Bdrm/1 Ba | $60,000 |
| 418 Odessa | 3 Bdrm/1 Ba | $67,000 |
| 1307 N. Alleghaney | Odessa/3 Bdrm/1 Ba | $70,000 |
| 803 Odessa | 3 Bdrm/1 Ba | $80,000 |
| 2406 W. 8th St | Odessa/3 Bdrm/1 Ba/1 Carport | $80,000 |
| 1415 Woodlawn | Odessa/4 Bdrm/2 Ba | $80,000 |
| 905 Golder | Odessa/2 Bdrm/1 Ba/1 Car Garage | $81,000 |
| 400 Patterson | Odessa/3 Brm/1 Ba/1 Carport | $85,000 |
| 915 E. 21st St | Odessa/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/1 Car Garage | $110,000 |
| 3311 Baumann Ave | 4 Bdrm/2 Ba | $154,500 |
| 2005 Sands St | 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage | U/C |
| 4820 Woodhollow Dr | 4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/3 Car Garage | U/C |
| 2011 W. Indiana Ave | 3 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Living Areas | $330,000 |
| 5004 Widener Strip | New Price/5 Bdrm/4 Ba/4 Car Garage | $504,900 |

**NEW CONSTRUCTION**

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| 308 S. Tilden | Madagui Construction/3 Bdrm/2 Ba | SOLD |
| 923 N. Edwards | Gomez Construction/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage | SOLD |
| 5801 Rio Grande | Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage | U/C |
| 6607 E. Co. Rd. 110 | Ashingdon Homes/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/Greenwood | $469,000 |
| 6701 E. Co. Rd. 110 | Ashingdon Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/Greenwood | $495,000 |
| 2506 Regency Oaks | Houston Chalmers Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage | SOLD |
| 2511 Regency Oaks | Saenz Signature Homes/4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage | $539,500 |
| 2510 Regency Oaks | Saenz Signature Homes/3 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage | $599,800 |
| 6605 E. Co. Rd. 107 | Midland Gallery Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage | $599,950 |
| 6500 Saddle Horn | Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage | $793,500 |
| 6413 Saddle Horn Ln. | Ashingdon Homes/4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/4 Car Garage | $949,500 |
| 413 Affirmed Ave | Diamond Homes/4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/4 Car Garage | U/C |
| 6401 Los Conchos Lane | Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/4 Car Garage | U/C |
| 5219 Alysheba | Rama Homes/4 Bdrm/5.5 Ba/3 Car Garage | U/C |

**SUBURBAN/ACREAGE**

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|---|---|---|
| Luna Rosa Estates | Gardendale/New Homes | Call Gary |
| 5006 N. Co. Rd. 1120 | Greenwood/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Acres | $179,900 |
| 2201 W. Co. Rd. 137 | 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage | U/C |
| 7100 E. Co. Rd. 55 | Greenwood/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Living Areas | $234,900 |
| 6901 E. Co. Rd. 55 | Greenwood/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Living Areas | $234,900 |
| 4083 E. Poppy Dr. | Gardendale/ 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Living areas | $249,000 |
| 6720 E. Co. Rd. 94 | Greenwood/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Approx. 20 Acres | $275,000 |

**SUBURBAN HOME SITES**

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| Hwy. 137 | Lenorah/3 shops/1.8 acres | U/C |
| Luna Rosa Estates | W. Co. Rd. 30/1.5-2 Acre Lots | Call Gary |
| Co. Rd. 1105 | Greenwood/3.67 Acres | U/C |

**COMMERCIAL PROPERTY**

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|---|---|---|
| 3008 Elkins Rd. | 3.25 Acres/Office/Warehouse | $1,700,000 |

## FEATURED PROPERTIES

**2510 Regency Oaks**

3 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $599,800

**6605 E. County Road 107**

4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $599,950

**2011 W. Indiana Avenue**

NEW PRICE
3 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 living areas, priced @ $330,000

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# Sunday Featured Homes!

**5416 BASSWOOD CIRCLE - $599,900**
**WONDERFUL PROPERTY ON THE COURSE BOASTS BEAUTIFUL OLD WORLD CHARM!!**
Gourmet kitchen w/island, breakfast bar, pantry, granite! Huge formal dining! Living rm w/sautillo tile, fireplace, wet bar & access to backyard! Media room! Weight room/gym!2 Bedrooms/2.5 Baths downstairs! 2 Complete master suites upstairs w/balcony access! Gorgeous golf course views! Great outdoor living space! Covered patios & open patios! 3Cg!

**6212 ORIOLE CT. - $675,000**
**WONDERFUL 5 BEDROOM ON THE COURSE AT GTCC!**
Tons of space here! Formal dining! Living room w/high ceilings & fireplace! Study w/tons of built-ins! Cozy den w/fireplace! Large kitchen has granite, island, tons of cabinetry! Breakfast nook w/course views! Large utility rm! Master & guest bdrm downstairs-3 bdrms up(1 w/private bath!) Hardwood floors! Courtyard off den! Flagstone patio! Beautiful views! Golf cart gar!

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## SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES

### OPEN 12:30-1:30

**2820 DENGAR AVE.**
**$330,000**
Charmng 4/2 with workshop!
***Shown by Madison Shaw***

### OPEN 1:30-2:30

**5416 BASSWOOD CIRCLE**
**$599,900**
Wonderful property on the course boasts beautiful old world charm!
***Shown by Reece Bivens***

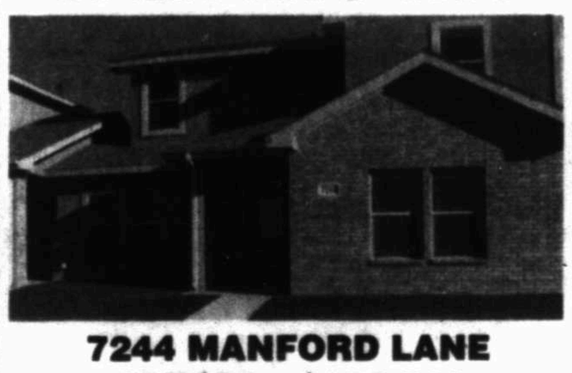
### OPEN 3:30-4:30

**3404 MARBLE LANE**
**$370,000**
Wonderful corner lot in Rockpoint!
***Shown by Reece Bivens***

### OPEN 2:00-3:00

**1210 BRECKENRIDGE DR.**
**$525,000**
Gorgeous 4/3 in Woodland Park!
***Shown by Amanda Gunter***

### OPEN 2:00-3:00



**7244 MANFORD LANE**
**ODESSA - $169,900**
NEW PRICE! Immaculate townhouse 3-2-2.
***Shown by Kay Bivens***

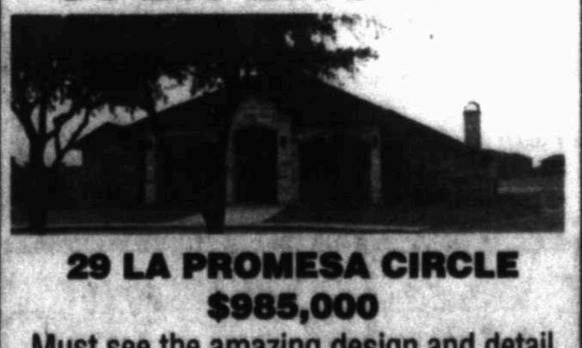
### OPEN 1:00-2:00

**2518 FAULKNER**
**$225,000**
Fantastic low maintenance home.
***Shown by Stacy Gonzalez***

### OPEN 2:00-3:00

**5716 SAN SABA**
**$299,900**
Like new 4 bedrooms, 2 bath.
***Shown by Ruth Young***

### OPEN 2:00-4:00



**29 LA PROMESA CIRCLE**
**$985,000**
Must see the amazing design and detail in this gorgeous 5 bdrm, 5 bath, 2LA's, 2DA' on cul-de-sac street.
***Shown by Sandy J. Hanson***

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# HOMESTYLE

SIMPLE SOLUTIONS FOR EVERYDAY LIVING

Sunday, March 30, 2014

## Plant a Radish ... Canna, Penstamon, Osteospermum

*It's the hopeful season, when gardeners dream big and reach for seed packets. This year, why not join them?*

By Dawn Klingensmith | CTW Features

Growing vegetables and flowers from seeds instead of just buying nursery plants may seem like an exercise in delayed gratification, but it's actually lack of patience that spurs most gardeners to sprout seeds indoors, ahead of the growing season.

Seed catalogs arrive, and folks get antsy. Starting seeds indoors allows them to put their green thumb to work several weeks before the last spring frost.

But starting too soon is one of the main reasons for failure because the plants only thrive for so long indoors, says Mary Ann Gowdy, a plant sciences professor at the University of Missouri. "It's hard," she admits, "but you have to resist the temptation to start too early or you'll end up with wimpy plants."

Insufficient lighting is another common mistake. "People don't realize how poor their lighting is indoors," Gowdy says. "Seedlings need a lot of light and seek it out, stretching really tall if there's not enough so you end up with weak, thin stems that are kind of floppy."

Seed-starting success starts by looking up the sowing schedule for your USDA plant hardiness zone, searchable online by ZIP code. The backs of seed packets have germination schedules so you can figure out how far in advance to plant. Most vegetables can be started four to six weeks before it is safe to move them outdoors, Gowdy says.

Tomatoes, carrots, bell peppers, lettuce and sugar snap peas offer a high rate of success and are best for beginners and children, says Rebecca P. Cohen, author of "Fifteen Minutes Outside: 365 Ways to Get Out of the House and Connect with Your Kids" (Sourcebooks, 2011).

Annual flowers including marigolds and morning glories tend to succeed as well.

Experienced gardeners "like to start on their own because they can get all sorts of plant varieties that aren't available a garden centers including heirloom varieties," Gowdy says.

Seedlings grow best in a sunny, south- or southwest-facing windowsill. Plant them in a special seed-starting mix, not potting soil or dirt from outside. Moistening the mix before planting helps prevent seed displacement. Seed packets generally tell you how deep to plant.

Garden centers sell biodegradable grow pots and seed-starting trays offering a "bottom-up," water supply so as not to disturb delicate seedlings; however, "You can grow plants in just about anything as long as you add drainage holes," Gowdy says.

Small seeds, such as lettuce, can be planted in cardboard egg cartons, and since the material absorbs excess water there's no need for drainage holes, Cohen says.

Plant bigger seeds in pots made from toilet paper rolls. Use scissors to cut quarter-inch strips all around one end of the tube, and then fold the strips down so they overlap to form the bottom of the pot.

Sow one seed per roll, or two to three to up your chances for success. "If all the shoots come out, only keep the strongest one," says Kathleen Brenzel, editor of "Sunset Western Garden Book of Landscaping" (Oxmoor House, 2014).

If kids are involved, have them moisten the soilless mix in their homemade containers by squeezing a wet cotton ball, or water from the bottom in a tray designed for that purpose. "It prevents them from overwatering," Cohen says.

Since adults tend to overwater, too, "Mr. Brown Thumb" garden blogger Ramon Gonzalez recommends punching holes in the top of a water bottle with a sewing needle — "as many small holes as you can fit on the lid for a gentler stream of water."

Seedlings started in smaller pots need to be transplanted to larger pots as they grow, but peat-pot or toilet paper roll "collars" can be left in place as they'll biodegrade over time. Generally, the bigger plants get, the greater their daily sunlight and water requirements.

A week or two before transplanting seedlings to the garden, "harden them off" — or help them acclimate — by taking them outdoors for increasing lengths of time on mild days, advises. But don't withhold your TLC. When you finally transplant the seedlings to the ground, be especially gentle with the roots, and provide supportive stakes or cages for tomatoes and other climbers as needed.

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## Storage That Goes Beyond the Closet

*Heed these smart organization solutions to boost space and productivity*

By Elizabeth Brewster | CTW Features

It's a rare homeowner whose possessions never outgrow their designated storage spaces.

But closets aren't the only option for stowing both everyday items and seasonal goods like holiday decorations, say the experts. Here are some tips for getting the most into a home's nooks and crannies.

### Doors

"The back side of a door is a fabulous hidden storage gold mine," says Julie Morgenstern, author of "Organizing from the Inside Out" (Holt Paperbacks, 2004). "You can hang narrow shelves inside a pantry door for canned goods, or hang hooks on a closet door for belts, bags, scarves, jewelry."

In the kitchen, add shelves to the insides of cabinet doors to organize seasonings or plastic container lids.

### Stairs

Most homes have usable space under the stairs. The trick is organizing this space so items are easily accessible.

"Instead of building shelves, find something that wheels in and out of the space like a rolling cart," says Kate S. Brown, owner of Impact Organizing, Sarasota, Fla. "You can load it up and push it in, and then pull it out to use the items."

Or, fill under-stairs space with multiple large or bulky items, such as sleeping bags or folding chairs, says author Morgenstern, a professional organizer in New York City.

"If you put a lot of different little things in there, they're going to get lost," she says.

### Walls

Line wall space next to the basement stairs with shallow shelves for cleaning supplies, or hooks for brooms and mops. In a tight bathroom or front hallway space, Brown suggests stealing space from inside the walls: "You can knock out a piece of wallboard between the studs and make a shallow little shelf for small items," Brown says.

To stash extra paperbacks or CDs, surround a door or window frame with narrow readymade bookshelves.

Shelving "dead space." Look for extra room in cabinets and closets where items don't need all the height created by standard shelves. Wire, plastic or metal shelf organizers can help stretch the space.

### Containers

The colorful arrays of storage containers in stores make it tempting to stock up; Resist that temptation until after you've sorted and organized, experts say.

"Shopping for containers is the last thing you do, not the first," Morgenstern says. "Then you'll know exactly what you're looking for, what you'll put inside, how many you need and what sizes you'll need."

She also recommends sticking to neutral colors for storage that will be visible in the home: "If you have colorful storage filled with colorful objects," Morgenstern says, "it can be visually overstimulating."

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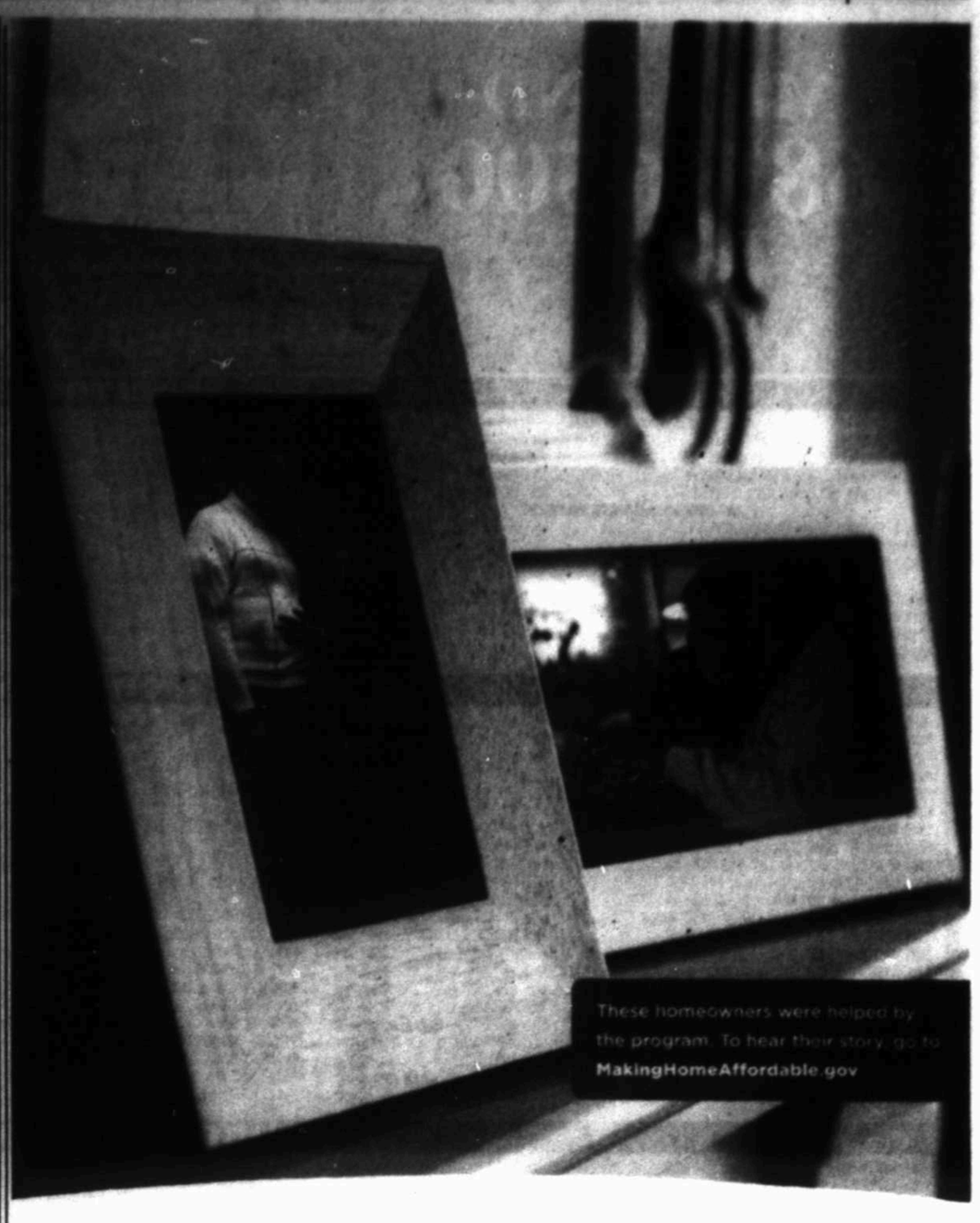


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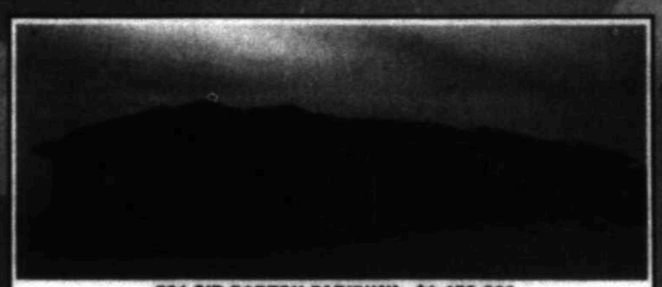

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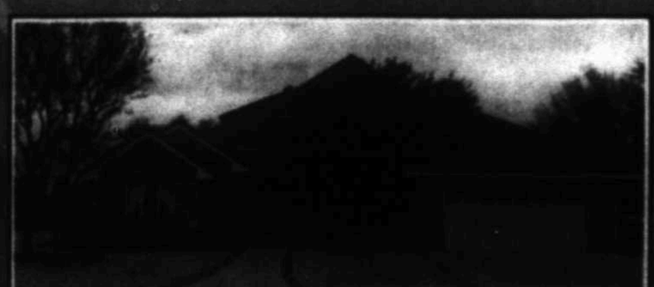

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**4906 HILLSBORO CT. - $378,000**
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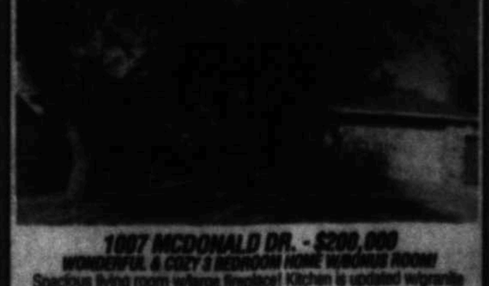

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**WONDERFUL & CUTE 3 BEDROOM HOME W/BONUS ROOM!**
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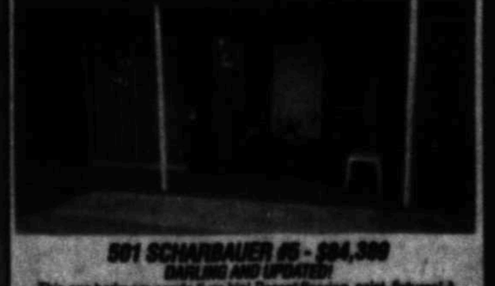

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4506 W. CUTHBERT...Brian Sales 618-1818 ... MLS #98169 ... $319,000
17 OAKLAWN PARK...Martha Manulik 557-8744 ... MLS #98194 ... $315,000
4902 HILLSBORO CT...Lavonne Johnson 770-3883 ... MLS #97286 ... $299,000
5002 QUARTZ LN...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #97678 ... $295,000
4821 ROSEWOOD...Peggy Spence 664-3011 ... MLS #96466 ... SALE PENDING
1604 WINFIELD...Karen Mason 349-3550 ... MLS #96119 ... $295,000
2512 BEDFORD DR...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #98151 ... SALE PENDING
2600 FRONTIER...Danny Norwood 618-5012 ... MLS #97318 ... $279,900
3903 WESTMINISTER...Brian Sales 618-1818 ... MLS #96250 ... SALE PENDING
1410 W. TEXAS AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #97044 ... $275,000
3212 DURANT...Gina Reyes 553-6381 ... MLS #97456 ... SALE PENDING
2103 MARCIE CT...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #98008 ... SALE PENDING
2512 HARVARD...Kim Merrill 664-4702 ... MLS #98027 ... $265,000
4500 TREVINO...Betty Hicks 553-8194 ... MLS #97331 ... $249,000
4904 SPY GLASS CIR...Laura Sales 618-1818 ... $243,500
4511 ST. ANDREWS...Laura Sales 618-1818 ... MLS #98247 ... SALE PENDING
1300 W. LOUISIANA AVE...Angie McKay 599-0272 ... MLS #97043 ... SALE PENDING
5208 LAVACA...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ... MLS #96280 ... SOLD
1800 RANGER ROAD...Lisa Jansa 661-3389 ... MLS #95544 ... SALE PENDING
2818 MOSS...Karen Foster 559-4806 ... MLS #96251 ... $239,500
2806 EXETER AVE...Jane Wolf 352-4808 ... MLS #98285 ... $235,000
6000 BRIARWOOD AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #97723 ... $235,000
4215 ST. ANDREWS...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #97673 ... $229,900
2518 FAULKNER...Stacy Gonzalez 413-7061 ... MLS #98024 ... $225,000
5118 ASHDOWN PLACE...Kim Merrill 664-4702 ... MLS #94819 ... $225,000
1102 PORTERFIELD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #98134 ... SOLD
3317 CAMARIE...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ... MLS #98223 ... $219,900
4507 BELTON PLACE...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #98304 ... $219,000
4407 PASADENA...Angie McKay 599-0272 ... MLS #98308 ... $219,000
2824 DENGAR...Danny Norwood 618-5012 ... $214,900
3406 STANOLIND...Lavonne Johnson 770-3883 ... MLS #97801 ... $210,000
3209 SHANDON...Donna Omar 349-1458 ... MLS #96414 ... $210,000
4603 BISHOPS CASTLE...Barbara McWilliams 230-2034 ... MLS #97010 ... $209,000
722 W. KANSAS AVE...Angie McKay 599-0272 ... MLS #97046 ... $209,000
1007 MCDONALD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... $200,000
1113 PORTERFIELD...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #97846 ... SALE PENDING
2106 W. MISSOURI...Brian Sales 618-1818 ... MLS #97387 ... SOLD
3201 W. SHANDON-Tri-Level...Lavonne Johnson 770-3883 ... MLS #00000 ... $199,900
5202 BLUE HAVEN...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #98244 ... SALE PENDING
4115 FM 307...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #97831 ... $195,000
4526 LEDDY DR...Josie Alvarez 618-5013 ... MLS #97979 ... $194,900
2903 AURORA LANE...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #97756 ... SOLD
5007 SAN ANTONIO AVE...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... SALE PENDING
3303 FANNIN...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ... MLS #98091 ... $189,900
4526 LEDDY...Josie Alvarez 618-5013 ... MLS #97979 ... $189,900
714 RAYMOND...Angie McKay 599-0272 ... MLS #98309 ... $189,000
1509 GARDEN LANE...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #97681 ... SALE PENDING
5110 ANETTA...Melissa Williams 349-2812 ... MLS#95882 ... SALE PENDING
4307 FERNCLIFF...Danny Norwood 618-5012 ... MLS #95558 ... SALE PENDING
6204 CHICKASAW...Mona Lopez 967-8602 ... MLS #94466 ... SALE PENDING
3507 CRESTMONT DR...Lydia Scudder 853-2200 ... MLS #95289 ... SALE PENDING
1002 ALPINE ST...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #95210 ... SALE PENDING
3603 W. WADLEY AVE...Kay Bivens 934-5995 ... MLS #94288 ... SALE PENDING
4718 COUNTRY CLUB DR...Lydia Scudder 853-2200 ... MLS #96314 ... $180,000
110 W. SPRUCE...Maria Mallory 352-4021 ... MLS #97840 ... SALE PENDING
3705 W. MICHIGAN AVE...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ... MLS #97210 ... SOLD
2500 CIMMARON AVE...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #97317 ... $173,900
3205 WHITTLE WAY...Jane Wolf 352-4808 ... MLS #97898 ... SALE PENDING
4326 GREENBRIAR...Danny Norwood 618-5012 ... MLS #96555 ... $172,000
2207 HUMBLE AVE...Jane Wolf 352-4808 ... MLS #98263 ... $170,000
1328 E. PINE...Darla Davis 260-8077 ... MLS #96302 ... $169,900
1110 HICKORY "A"...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #97345 ... SALE PENDING
1110 HICKORY "B"...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #97345 ... 3/BD$169,000
3213 S. CO. RD. 1069...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #96612 ... $168,000
3604 STOREY AVE...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #97683 ... SALE PENDING
2314 HAYNES...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #96851 ... SALE PENDING
4016 MONTY DR...Melissa Williams 349-2812 ... MLS #95704 ... SALE PENDING
4600 ANETTA DR...Mona Lopez 967-8602 ... MLS #95494 ... SALE PENDING
5116 SUNNYSIDE DR...Lydia Scudder 853-2200 ... MLS #95307 ... SALE PENDING
3614 STOREY AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #97839 ... SOLD
2513 N. CUTHBERT AVE...Jane Wolf 352-4808 ... MLS #96523 ... SALE PENDING
3320 CIMMARON AVE...Lydia Scudder 853-2200 ... MLS #95111 ... SALE PENDING
4613 CUTHBERT...Jane Wolf 352-4808 ... MLS #97847 ... SALE PENDING
2606 N. MIDKIFF...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS #97024 ... $149,500
909 WAVERLY...Brian Sales 618-1818 ... MLS #97414 ... $149,000
4710 W. CUTHBERT...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #98077 ... SALE PENDING
3216 OHIO AVE...Donna Omar 349-1458 ... MLS #94377 ... $147,500
2513 W. CUTHBERT AVE...Jane Wolf 352-4808 ... MLS #96523 ... SALE PENDING
3708 AVONDALE...Randy Peets 889-8296 ... MLS #96401 ... $144,900
406 W. ESTES AVE...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #97789 ... SALE PENDING
2203 HOLLOWAY...Laura Sales 618-1818 ... MLS #97424 ... SALE PENDING
4607 McKNIGHT DR...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #95674 ... $129,900
1011 WHITAKER...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ... MLS #98016 ... $129,900
4205 MONTY DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #98138 ... SALE PENDING
2709 MARIANA...Virginia Elizondo 349-7782 ... MLS #98115 ... $127,000
4207 ANETTA DR...Pam Messer 349-3075 ... MLS #95057 ... $119,000
1941 ENGLISH DR...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ... MLS #97008 ... $118,000
1205 CENTURY...Jennifer Martin 349-2632 ... MLS #96047 ... $110,000
803 SPRUCE AVE...Melissa Williams 349-2812 ... MLS #91025 ... SALE PENDING
410 N. FORT WORTH...Gloria Valdez Farmer 563-2732 ... MLS #91785 ... SALE PENDING
1208 BURCHILL DR...Sam McCrary 634-8370 ... MLS #95144 ... $97,500
4512 BROOKDALE DR...Sue Lytle 661-5338 ... MLS #95551 ... SALE PENDING
1813 E. OAK...Danny Norwood 618-5012 ... MLS #94686 ... SALE PENDING
1204 GARDEN LANE...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #97511 ... $79,900
1009 SHIRLEY LANE...Cheryl Parrish 352-3053 ... MLS #97526 ... $2,800/MONTH

## ONE/TWO BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

4900 & 4902 ANDREWS HWY...Ruth Young 352-0996 ... MLS #94450/94453 ... $425,000
2100 W. WADLEY #68...Kay Bivens 934-5995 ... MLS #94465 ... $205,000
1207 W. LOUISIANA AVE...Kay Bivens 934-5995 ... MLS #95730 ... $185,000
1405 W. TENNESSEE AVE...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #98158 ... $149,900
4418 FAIRGATE...Angie McKay 599-0272 ... MLS# 95633 ... SALE PENDING
2415 IDLEWILDE...Virginia Elizondo 349-7782 ... MLS #98190 ... $129,000
3709 CEDAR SPRING...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #95795 ... $120,000
3914 ANETTA DR...Pam Messer 349-3075 ... MLS #96923 ... SALE PENDING
3610 TRAVIS...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ... MLS #98168 ... $105,000
4209 HARLOWE DR...Mona Lopez 967-8602 ... MLS #95335 ... SALE PENDING
1106 E. SPRUCE AVE...Laura Sales 618-1818 ... MLS #97808 ... SALE PENDING
501 SCHARBAUER DR. #5...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #97054 ... $84,389
3304 TRAVIS AVE...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #97983 ... SALE PENDING

## HOMES IN MIDLAND COUNTY

4303 N. CO. RD. 1284...Leah Watkins 599-2187 ... MLS #95058 ... 4BD/$595,000
6516 GLADIOLA...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #95989 ... SOLD
1312 E. CO. RD. 128...Melissa Williams 349-2812 ... MLS #95538 ... 4BD/$539,000
3709 N. CO. RD. 1140...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #98070 ... SALE PENDING
3905 CARDINAL LANE...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97280 ... 3+ Acres/$499,999
10508 E. CO. RD. 103...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS #95069 ... 4BD/$488,000
8605 W. CO. RD. 170, BARNDOMINIUM...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #95103 ... SALE PENDING
6600 FM 715...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #96956 ... 3BD/$439,900
3322 W. COUNTY RD. 185...Brian Sales 618-1818 ... MLS #97471 ... $399,900
5508 S. CO. RD. 1200...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #96080 ... 4BD/$379,900
405 E. CO. RD. 127...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #96749 ... $395,900
2501 W. CO. RD. 130...Jennifer Martin 349-2632 ... MLS #96114 ... 3BD/$375,000
1207 N. CO. RD. 1084...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS #95433 ... 4BD/$359,500
206 E. CO. RD. 127-ROPING ARENA...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #95768 ... SALE PENDING
2501 W. CO. RD. 130...Jennifer Martin 349-2632 ... MLS #96114 ... 3BD/$325,000
4206 N. CO. RD. 1130, GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #96528 ... 1.5 Acres/$305,000
1208 E. CO. RD. 126...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #98084 ... SALE PENDING
3900 S. CO. RD. 1187...Josie Alvarez 296-1395 ... MLS #95547 ... 3BD/$259,900
1401 E. CO. RD. 145...Angie McKay 599-0272 ... MLS #98044 ... $225,000
607 E. CO. RD. 132...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #96355 ... SALE PENDING
4100 N. CO. RD. 1133...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS #95169 ... SOLD
7212 N. CO. RD. 1298...Mona Lopez 967-8602 ... MLS #95021 ... 4BD/$235,000
10701 E. CO. RD. 1067...Stacy Gonzalez 413-7061 ... MLS #98017 ... SALE PENDING
3213 S. CO. RD. 1069...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #96612 ... 3BD/$168,000
14905 E. CO. RD. 104...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #94961 ... 3BD/$159,000
2811 W. CO. RD. 116...Mark Philliber 222-5071 ... MLS #93898 ... 4BD/$122,500
2906 S. CO. RD. 1220...Mona Lopez 967-8602 ... MLS #94391 ... 3BD/$120,000
5001 S. CO. RD. 1137...Lisa Jansa 661-3389 ... MLS #97679 ... $110,000

## HOMES OUTSIDE OF MIDLAND COUNTY

12278 W. HIGHWAY 158, GARDENDALE...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #94739 ... 3BD/16+ Acres/$1,100,000
29 LA PROMESA CIRCLE...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #97894 ... 5BD/$985,000
10 WOODHAVEN DR., ODESSA...Donna Omar 349-1458 ... MLS #94737 ... 5BD/$497,500
4456 SE 1000, ANDREWS...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97578 ... SALE PENDING
105 OASIS, HORSESHOE BAY...Peggy Spence 664-3011 ... MLS #123919 ... 4BD/$399,000
10121 HORSESHOE DR., GARDENDALE...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97931 ... 1+ Acres/$339,900
1202 S. NELSON, MONAHANS...Lydia Scudder 853-2200 ... MLS #95441 ... 3BD/$275,000
607 E. CO. RD. 132...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #95355 ... 3BD/$267,900
3808 SAN PEDRO- ODESSA...Maria Mallory 352-4021 ... MLS #90804 ... 4BD/$263,000
ESTATES OF SHILOH, LOT 3...Ruth Young 352-0996 ... MLS #97772 ... $250,000
503 W. 3RD ST., STANTON...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #94551 ... 4BD/$240,000
2825 MERCEDES HOUSE...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ... MLS #97748 ... 3BD/$229,900
1129 GOLF COURSE, ANDREWS...Lisa Jansa 661-3389 ... MLS #97961 ... SALE PENDING
302 9TH ST., IRAAN...Pam Messer 349-3075 ... MLS #92308 ... 5BD/$179,000
7244 MANFORD LANE, ODESSA...Kay Bivens 934-5995 ... MLS #381981 ... 3BD/$175,000
9609 HAWTHORNE CT, ODESSA...Laura Sales 618-1818 ... MLS #91563 ... SALE PENDING
2875 SE CO. RD. 5501, ANDREWS...Cynthia Blocker 266-1448 ... MLS #89268 ... 3BD/$169,900
2623 CAMBRIDGE ST., ODESSA...Darla Davis 260-8077 ... MLS #91092, 97166 ... 3BD/$163,900
2906 REDBUD, ODESSA...Karen Foster 559-4086 ... MLS #97905 ... 3BD/$159,900
404 SANTA ROSA AVE., ODESSA...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #94765 ... SALE PENDING
1128 KATHERINE, CRANE...Kim Merrill 664-4702 ... MLS #97616 ... 3BD/$155,000
900 NE 2ND, ANDREWS...Cynthia Blocker 266-1448 ... MLS #90362 ... 3BD/$140,000
1211 NW 4TH ST., ANDREWS...Cynthia Blocker 266-1448 ... MLS #89898 ... SALE PENDING
708 COLLIE WAY, ANDREWS...Cynthia Blocker 266-1448 ... MLS #89681 ... SALE PENDING
109 GRAY ST., STANTON...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #94344 ... 3BD/$132,000
2102 ALLENDALE, BIG SPRING...Danny Norwood 618-5012 ... MLS #95681 ... 4BD/$130,900
8615 LAMAR AVE...Brian Sales 618-1818 ... MLS 91788 ... SALE PENDING
1816 50TH, ODESSA...Virginia Elizondo 349-7782 ... MLS #90506 ... SALE PENDING
711 ST. FRANCIS, STANTON...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #93473 ... SALE PENDING
2203 S. JOHNSON AVE., PECOS...Danny Norwood 618-5012 ... MLS #89618 ... 4BD/$106,000
105 E. 21ST., CRANE...Danny Norwood 618-5012 ... MLS #85747 ... SALE PENDING
1907 JOHNSON AVE., BIG SPRING...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #88348 ... SALE PENDING
1712 HACKBERRY ST., PECOS...Danny Norwood 618-5012 ... MLS #88971 ... SALE PENDING
2705 BAGLEY, ODESSA...Lydia Scudder 853-2200 ... MLS #86570 ... 3BD/$78,000
2825 MERCEDES...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ... MLS #97750 ... $69,900
1407 NW AVE. B., ANDREWS...Cynthia Blocker 266-1448 ... MLS #89176 ... 2BD/$38,000

## COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL

W. CO. RD. 116...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... 12.54 Acres/$4,000,000
1501 N. FAIRGROUNDS RD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #95778 ... SALE PENDING
12278 W. HIGHWAY 158, GARDENDALE...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #94739 ... 16+ Acres/$1,100,000
10310 S. CO. RD. 1210...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #96680 ... $695,000
1002 S. MARIENFELD...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #97538 ... $580,000
107 CLARK ST...Ruth Young 352-0996 ... MLS #95196 ... $425,000
1915 S. CO. RD. 1083...Mark Philliber 222-5071 ... MLS #97604 ... 4.68 Acres/$375,000
9605 CO. RD. 307...Sue Lytle 661-5338 ... MLS #96951 ... 26.33 Acres/$350,000
110 E. CO. RD. 114...Virginia Elizondo 349-7782 ... MLS #97579 ... $150,000
608 E. BROADWAY, ANDREWS...Cynthia Blocker 266-1448 ... MLS#79313 ... $95,000
310 ST. PETER, STANTON...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #89966 ... $95,000
503 E. BROADWAY, ANDREWS...Cynthia Blocker 266-1448 ... MLS #89899 ... $75,000
2825 MERCEDES...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ... MLS #97750 ... $69,900

## LANDS AND LOTS

W. CO. RD. 116...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... 12.54 Acres/$4,000,000
CO. RD. 160 & CO. RD. 1065...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97407 ... SUPERB Land; Will Split, 640 Acres/$2,560,000
3021 E. I-20...Danny Norwood 618-5012 ... MLS #96595 ... 31.74 Acres/$2,500,000
CO. RD. 1065...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97403 ... CLEAN Land; Will Split, 585+ Acres/$2,340,000
CO. RD. 160...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97408 ... IDEAL Land, 502.20 Acres/$2,008,800
CO. RD. 1110...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #96969 ... 261.045 Acres/$1,435,500
CO. RD. 160 & CO. RD. 1065...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97406 ... SUPERB Land/320 Acres/$1,280,000
S. CO. RD. 1050, GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... 96.85 Acres/$968,500
CO. RD. 3100, STANTON...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #94070 ... 185 Acres/$925,000
3201 CYNTHIA DR...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #97539 ... 11.4 Acres/$630,000
8605 W. CO. RD. 170...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #95349 ... SALE PENDING
SINCLAIR...Ruth Young 682-7884 ... 5 Acres/$425,000
5401 E. CO. RD. 120...Mark Philliber 222-5071 ... MLS #95128 ... 31.22 Acres/$375,000
9605 CO. RD. 307...Sue Lytle 661-5338 ... MLS #96951 ... 26.33 Acres/$350,000
3700 W. CO. RD. 145...Danny Norwood 618-5012 ... MLS #96344 ... 10 Acres + a building!/$325,000
N. CO. RD. 1150/ELKINS RD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #95384 ... 20 Acres/$299,900
CO. RD. 1130...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #89518 ... 29.1 Acres/$291,000
S. CO. RD. 1089 (CIELO VISTA)...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #97325 ... 15.685 Acres/$289,700
S. CO. RD. 1135...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #94205 ... 14 Acres/$280,000
ESTATES OF SHILOH...Ruth Young 352-0996 ... MLS #97772 ... 3.9 Acres/$250,000
4700 TROBAUGH...Mark Philliber 222-5071 ... MLS #96920 ... 7.548 Acres/$240,000
807 N. FAIRGROUNDS RD...Virginia Elizondo 349-7782 ... MLS #94740 ... 1.75 Acres/$200,000
903 & 905 S. MAIN ST., ANDREWS...Cynthia Blocker 266-1448 ... MLS #89500 ... 1.08 Acres/$197,500
W. CO. RD. 52 & FM 1788...Mark Philliber 222-5071 ... 10 Acres/$190,000
3605 W. CO. RD. 145...Josie Alvarez 296-1395 ... MLS #94202 ... 15 Acres/$165,000
4219 S. HWY. 349...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... 3+ Acres/$150,000
SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES...Sandy Hanson 638-3819 ... 3+ Acre Lots/$135,000
00 W I-20 SERVIC RD...Brian Sales 618-1818 ... MLS #97852 ... $130,000
W. CO. RD. 52...Mark Philliber 222-5071 ... MLS #97804 ... 6 Acres/$95,000
1006 S. CO. RD. 1072, GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #96343 ... 2.74 Acres/$89,900
W. CO. RD. 52...Mark Philliber 222-5071 ... MLS #97996 ... SALE PENDING
2825 MERCEDES...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ... MLS #97750 ... $69,900
W. CO. RD. 52...Mark Philliber 222-5071 ... MLS #97802 ... SALE PENDING
CO. RD. 110...Mark Philliber 222-5071 ... MLS #93331 ... 1 Acre Lots/$27,000
S. CO. RD. 1050, GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... 96.85 Acres/$10,000/Acre
CO. RD. 160 & CO. RD. 1065...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97405 ... GREAT Land, 320 Acres/$4,000/Acre
112 SW 2ND ST., ANDREWS...Cynthia Blocker 266-1448 ... MLS #89499 ... SALE PENDING
S. TYLER...Danny Norwood 618-5012 ... MLS #92810 ... SALE PENDING

## FARMS AND RANCHES

CO. RD. 160 & 1065...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97407 ... SUPERB Land; Will Split, 640 Acres/$2,560,000
CO. RD. 1065...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97403 ... CLEAN Land; Will Split, 585+ Acres/$2,340,000
CO. RD. 160...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97408 ... IDEAL Land, 502.20 Acres/$2,008,800
CO. RD. 160 & CO. RD. 1065...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... SUPERB Land/320 Acres/$1,280,000
12278 W. HIGHWAY 158, GARDENDALE...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #94739 ... 16+ Acres/$1,100,000
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S. CO. RD. 1050, GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... 96.85 Acres/$10,000 Per Acre
4456 SE 1000, ANDREWS...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97578 ... SALE PENDING
CO. RD. 160 & CO. RD. 1065...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97406 ... SUPERB Land - Will Split, 320 Acres/$4,000/Acre
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# HAPPY IN HAITI

Reporter Ragini Venkatasubban recently spent a week volunteering in Haiti. She worked in a medical clinic and rural school with more than 20 college students and working professionals from the U.S., through the sponsoring organization Global Faith In Action.

## Volunteering in Haiti teaches lessons of privilege, contentment

By Ragini Venkatasubban
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A picture is worth a thousand words, and I could show you 1,000 pictures of my week in Haiti. But would it be enough to convey the hunger of the schoolchildren, yet the care they take to keep their school uniforms clean?

The frustration of the young adults searching for jobs, yet the pride they feel for their homeland?

The helplessness of the HIV/AIDS victims who don't have enough food to take their medications, yet the hope they hold onto that someday, they will be cured?

A few weeks ago, I was fortunate enough to travel to the Caribbean nation of Haiti and spend a week volunteering in the rural, mountainous region of Lambert. I worked in a medical clinic and rural school with more than 20 college students and working professionals from the

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Photos courtesy of Ragini Venkatasubban

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## HAITI

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U.S., including two journalists making a documentary about our trip. Our sponsoring organization was Global Faith In Action, an inter-faith group based in Wichita, Kan. that aspires to take action in the world with volunteers from different religious backgrounds.

I had gone to Haiti with Global Faith In Action once before, as a college senior on an "alternative spring break." It wasn't a religious mission trip. We didn't flout our religious beliefs or values. Rather, it was volunteering in its purest form — helping people simply because they needed it. No strings attached.

I was fortunate enough to be the only member of our group who spoke functional French, so I was able to speak with many of the Haitians about their dreams for a better country. The official languages of Haiti are French and Haitian Creole, though most of the locals in the rural area we worked in spoke only Haitian Creole.

Our work in Haiti centered around a rural school in Lambert, Haiti, built and pioneered more than 30 years ago by the founder of Global Faith In Action, the Rev. Sam Muyskens. Over the years, the school has grown from a classroom filled with rocks to a multi-building school and church with all grade levels, a kitchen that serves a hot lunch every day and even a functioning computer lab.

Though I could fill pages upon pages with stories of my travels, here are a few takeaways.

### WORKING TOGETHER

Along with the medical clinic, my group worked on a landscaping project in the school alongside several Haitian young adults, many of whom had graduated from that very school and were desperately searching for jobs. The job situation in Haiti is quite grim. It was heartening to work together and see these young adults develop new skills that can be marketed in their job search. Even more so, it was poignant to note that however taxing our own job searches in the U.S. may be, it can always be worse.

### MEDICAL CARE

Upon my return to the U.S., I developed a slight stomach infection, and I once again realized how extraordinarily lucky I am to have medical care. For nearly a week, I worked in a tiny, cramped medical clinic in rural Haiti with no air conditioning, no privacy, limited sanitation and very few medications. Patients waited as long as seven hours in the blistering heat to see a doctor, and we were working as fast and as thoroughly as we could. Compare that to when I came back to the U.S. — I texted my doctor, made an appointment to see her, waited 10 minutes in a comfortable lounge, talked to her in a private room with all amenities and was prescribed a medication that was available, affordable and easily accessible. Though rural medicine is always difficult, it's jarring to realize the disparity of medical care between rural Haiti and the U.S.

### HAPPINESS

Though many of us in the U.S. have spacious houses, nice cars and expensive electronics, how many of us are happy with what we have? Aren't we always searching for more, for that one thing that will give us full happiness — well, until the next thing comes along?

Every time I travel, I realize all I need are people who love me. When I'm alone in my apartment, all I want is someone to share that space with. When I'm surrounded by my clothes and Apple products, I would give it all up to have my friends with me instead.

Though it may seem like the people of Haiti don't have much in terms of material items, they have one secret we're still learning — all you need to be happy is the understanding that only you can make yourself happy. Then, no matter where you are — a posh loft in the U.S., a bustling street market in Malaysia or a peaceful mountain in Haiti — you will be content.

# *Midland Memorial Hospital offers outstanding health professionals*

ALEX ROSE
*AARP Community Service volunteer*

It is understandable that no one wants to be in a hospital but if that is where you end up in Midland, the new facilities and the care offered is worth the experience.

After a recent doctor's appointment I was able to walk into the hospital without having to go outside and go to admittance. This was accomplished without a lot of fanfare, although I had to have my daughter drop what she was doing and meet me in admittance. A few days later I was released, but that procedure was far more time consuming than the hours spent on admitting.

Midlanders can get good care right here at home. I had heard some horror stories, so I was somewhat leery. Several of the nurses were extremely competent. The woman who admitted me spent the majority of the day making sure I was comfortable and that all the paper work was completed. Several days later, she again popped in on me, saying she hoped she would not still find me there. She was very good at telling me about each of the medications she administered. I appreciated this so very much.

We have a nice facility at our fingertips. Let's keep it this way. The food service is good even though most patients do not have much of an appetite. At least you can take a vacation from cooking and doing the dishes.

Two other nurses who spent some time with me gave me great confidence that we do have good people hired to be our around-the-clock nurses. Thanks to each one of you for being on duty while I was there!

So what was the outcome? We are not sure at this point but hope that each day will bring the answers we are looking for. If we have to go further we will, if not we will rejoice in an early recovery.

Take care, keep well and never give up!

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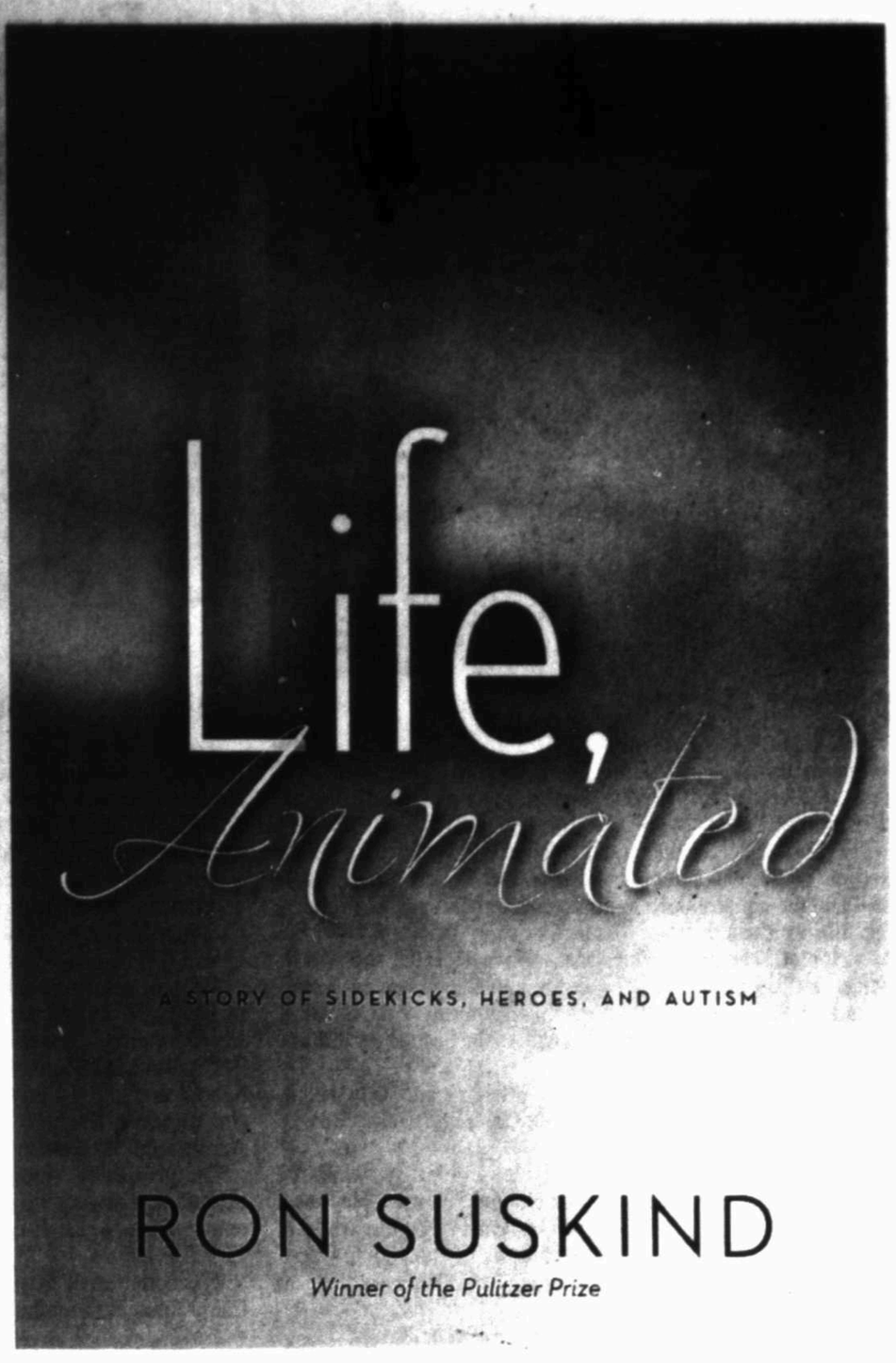



# LEARNING TO RELATE

This book cover image, right, released by Kingswell, shows "Life, Animated: A Story of Sidekicks, Heroes, and Autism," by Ron Suskind. Suskind shows how his autistic son's obsession with Disney cartoons changed their lives, allowing the boy to unlock his emotions and communicate by comparing the real world to characters and scenes from classic Disney movies such as "Peter Pan" and "The Little Mermaid."

## Parents share how Disney films unlocked autistic boy's emotions

**By Beth Harpaz**
*Associated Press*

NEW YORK — In his new book, "Life, Animated," Ron Suskind tells the remarkable story of how Disney movies unlocked his autistic son's emotions.

Owen Suskind was a typical toddler until age 3, when his developing language and social skills vanished. He was diagnosed with regressive autism.

Gradually Owen became fascinated by Disney movies, watching and re-watching them endlessly. One day, at his brother Walter's 9th birthday party, Walter became a bit teary. "Walter doesn't want to grow up, like Mowgli or Peter Pan," said Owen. Comparing his brother to Disney characters was the most sophisticated thing Owen, then 6, had uttered in years.

Suskind and his wife, Cornelia, began to encourage Owen's Disney passion. Owen, now 23, used Disney characters and stories to relate to real-world situations. He recovered his lost language. And by finding other autistic kids with Disney affinities, his social isolation eased. The Suskinds have been contacted by researchers from around the world, and they believe their story offers hope.

Mary Andrianopoulos, who teaches at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst's School of Public Health, has a federal grant to improve communication skills in autistic children. She's been following the Suskinds' story and said their approach makes sense: "to figure out what attracts a child and build on that child's strengths." She cautioned that it's not as simple as "just putting a child in front of a Disney video and that's the treatment," but said if a child "is learning communication skills and how to express certain feelings through the characters, and has a repertoire of language learned from these movies," then those strengths can be channeled into functional skills "so they can get jobs, have friends, live independently."

The Suskinds spoke to The Associated Press about Owen's journey by phone from their home in Cambridge, Mass.

**AP:** Is Owen's passion for Disney different from other things people with autism are fascinated by — whether train schedules or puzzles? And why does it matter in the long run? What's the end game?

RON: The view has long been that while you and I are permitted to have a deep passion for something, a person on the autism spectrum is not, because they focus on that to the exclusion of so much else. It's seen as something they should be weaned away from because it's not productive or not what typical kids do. ... Eventually we began to see this wasn't trapping Owen. It was a pathway for him to get to a more diverse and engaged life.

CORNELIA: All of these kids do have obsessions and affinities. The difference is, we used his affinity as a tool, to not only reach him by singing songs, watching movies together, playing with characters and being the characters, but then we took it further and started to use it to help him with academics and social growth.

The best hope we have with these guys is to really tap into what motivates them. It makes for better familial situations and job possibilities. I honestly think it's the answer to everything.

**AP:** Disney is sometimes criticized for commercializing and homogenizing children's entertainment. Disney is publicizing your book and Kingswell, a Disney imprint, is publishing it. Does your book promote Disney?

RON: The book is not in any way pro-Disney. It's not anti-Disney. It's just pro-fact. We understand the distaste people have for the power of Disney and the brainwashing. There were times when I said, "If I watch Peter Pan one more time, I'm going to take a sword and plunge it into my chest." But over time we began to see it was the only way to connect with our child. And the reason I went to this publishing unit of Disney was when I talked to my agent, he said, "Every word your child speaks is licensed by a multinational company." We'd have to pay licensing fees for every lyric or line of dialogue. I had to go to Disney.

**AP:** Disney cartoons are often so visually expressive that you can follow the story with the sound turned off. What else makes the films compelling to people who have trouble processing speech or emotions?

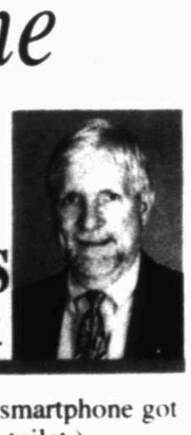
RON: These movies have powerful themes going back to the Brothers Grimm and thousand-year-old myths. But it wasn't until the arrival of the VCR for domestic use that kids like Owen could rewind and hyper-systemize to learn, at their own pace, from these emotionally rich narratives the things that they couldn't get from human interactions.

Owen used the movies to understand himself and his place in the world. He viewed himself as a sidekick. He told us, "A sidekick helps the hero fulfill his destiny." These are very deep ideas. He would give sidekick identities to other kids at school and say, "I am the protector of sidekicks. No sidekicks left behind."

**AP:** What's one of Owen's favorite Disney moments?

RON: There are certain songs that were big ones. Some he would listen to every morning to prepare him for his day. "A Whole New World" from "Aladdin" seemed to ground and center him as he walked into a world that seemed new to him every day.

## *Parents grapple with idea of preteen having iPhone*



**FAMILY MATTERS**
*Jim May, Ph.D., is director of the Family Wellness Center*

**DEAR FAMILY:** Our daughter will turn 12 the end of April, and all she wants is an iPhone. She said all of her friends have had one since they were 10 or 11. Knowing her friends, she may be right. I am sort of on the fence about it, but her father is adamant that she has no need for a cell phone until she is 13. Whenever my daughter tries to talk to him and give him all her reasons why she "needs" one he just stops her at some point and she runs off crying.

I have talked to some of my friends and most of them gave their children cellphones at much younger ages. They all like the idea of their child being able to call if there was a problem and then them being able to contact their child if need be. All that makes sense to me but not to my husband. He just goes back to the idea that if we parent correctly she will only go where she is supposed to go, and we will know where she is. I think he is overly optimistic, but there is no arguing with him.

I want to help my daughter but I also want to respect my husband and his leadership. I just don't know how to do this one, have you dealt with it before? — CELL CAPTIVE

**DEAR CELL:** Oh yes, we often deal with this issue — it is becoming a common problem for the parents of this decade. First of all there is no right answer or research to guide us in making this decision. This fact alone means that even professionals have no more scientific guidance than you do. It certainly is true, as your daughter states, that more and younger children are getting cellphones. However, that does not (as your husband believes) make it a good idea.

Some factors you might consider in discussing the subject with your husband again as suggested by PBSParents include:

- How independent are your kids?
- Do your children need to be in touch for safety reasons — or social ones?
- How responsible are they?
- Can they get behind the concept of limits for minutes talked and apps downloaded?
- Can they be trusted not to text during class, disturb others with their conversations and to use the text, photo and video functions responsibly (and not to embarrass or harass others)?
- Do they really need a smartphone that is also their music device, a portable movie and game player and portal to the Internet?
- Do they need something that gives their location information to their friends — and maybe some strangers, too — as some of the new apps allow?
- And do you want to add all the expense of new data plans? (Try keeping your temper when they announce that their new smartphone got dropped in the toilet.)

I professionally believe if you were to allow your daughter to have a cell it should not be an iPhone or a smartphone of any kind. When you give a child a smartphone you are assuming he or she has the maturity to not create or receive inappropriate images, videos or texts that can be easily distributed and uploaded to the Web — a most frightening reality kids just do not grasp. I think "Parenting" magazine makes a good suggestion on that: "Consider buying a cellphone that dials only your contact number if and when kids need to come home alone. Prepaid cellphones can also let you limit call times and features, and monitor overall usage. Then opt out of texting plans and choose a basic feature phone that forgoes bells and whistles such as downloadable apps and GPS tracking to limit children's online interactions." Your husband might agree with this approach and let her have a restricted cell — she will not be happy, but at least she will have one. It is so much tougher to be a responsible parent these days with more questions and fewer answers.

## *Guidelines make visits fun for stressed-out new parents*

**DEAR ABBY**
*Universal Press Syndicate*

**DEAR ABBY:** We're proud parents of a new baby girl. She's adorable, and we feel lucky and blessed.

Although having a new baby is an exciting, magical time, it is also very stressful. Sleep deprivation, difficulty with breast-feeding, plus endless visits and phone calls can wear any new parent thin. Also, if Mom had an episiotomy or C-section, she may be in pain. In addition — or perhaps because of these things — some women also struggle with postpartum depression.

Friends and family don't always realize everything new parents must cope with. I compared notes with other parents and came up with a short list of guidelines for friends and family of new parents:

1. UNLESS YOU ARE IMMEDIATE FAMILY OR VERY CLOSE FRIENDS, WAIT UNTIL THE THIRD WEEK OR SO TO CALL. Keep in mind the first two weeks are often the toughest. If you would like the new parents to know you're thinking of them, send a card.

2. LIMIT VISITS TO 20 OR 30 MINUTES. Unless you are staying to help with the housework, or know your presence is wanted longer than this, keep your visit short.

3. IF YOU VISIT, BRING FOOD! A simple casserole or some takeout will be gratefully accepted by the exhausted parents.

4. WASH YOUR HANDS IMMEDIATELY BEFORE TOUCHING THE BABY. While it's unlikely that you would unwittingly pass a cold or sore throat to the baby, seeing you wash your hands will make concerned new parents feel better.

5. LEAVE YOUR SMALL CHILDREN AT HOME. Even if you keep a close eye on your children, their high energy level can be too much for already stressed-out new parents.

6. BE SENSITIVE ABOUT MOM'S NEED TO BREAST-FEED. If Mom had a surgical birth, moving around can be an effort for her. If she needs to nurse, offer to leave the room. — NEW MOM IN SAN DIEGO

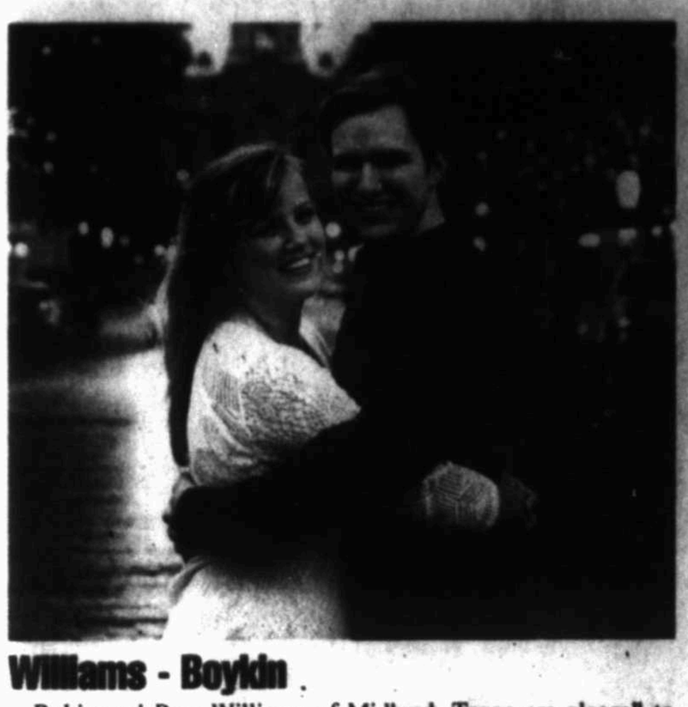
DEAR NEW MOM: Congratulations on your new arrival. Your guidelines make sense, and I'm pleased to share them. However, as sensible as they may be, do not be surprised if most of your visitors don't abide by them — because if my mail is any indication, the majority will think they are the exception to the rule.

**DEAR ABBY:** My husband drinks milk straight from the carton. He said it's OK because he's the only one in the house who drinks milk. (True.) I have told him I find it disgusting and that company often drinks milk, having no idea that he drinks straight from the carton.

Isn't this unsanitary — not to mention rude and selfish behavior? I'd love to know how to get him to stop. — GROSSED OUT IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR GROSSED OUT: I'm sorry you are grossed out, but what your husband is doing isn't a federal offense — particularly since he's the only milk-drinker in the house. However, a solution to your problem might be to separate a portion of the milk into another container, so that it will be available for guests should the need arise.

# ENGAGEMENTS



## Williams - Boykin

Robin and Pam Williams of Midland, Texas are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Callie Beth Williams, to Scott Elliott Boykin, son of Tony and Cindy Boykin of Plano, Texas.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Wyatt and Donna Gordon of Smiths Station, Alabama and Robert and Virginia Lahl and the late Frank R. Williams, Jr. of Midland, Georgia.

Callie graduated from Texas Christian University with a Bachelor of Science in Education. While at TCU, she was an officer in Tau Beta Sigma and an active member of Kappa Delta Pi. She is currently in her final semester at TCU where she is pursuing her Master of Education in Secondary Education.

The future groom is the grandson of Harry and Jean Jacobson of Kingwood, Texas and the late Cecil and Helen Boykin of Dallas, Texas.

Scott is a graduate of Texas Christian University, where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science. He was a member of Kappa Kappa Psi and Upsilon Pi Epsilon while at TCU. He is presently pursuing his Master of Interactive Technology in Digital Game Development at The Guildhall at Southern Methodist University.

The couple plan to marry in late May in Parker, Texas.

## Morphew-Colwell

Mr. and Mrs. Chris M. Morphew of Midland, Texas are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Emilie Nicole Morphew, to Nathan Calvin Colwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Adams of Fredericksburg, Texas and Mr. and Mrs. Ron Colwell of Odessa, Texas.

Miss Morphew is the granddaughter of Mrs. Vera Crabtree and the late Mr. John R. Crabtree of Odessa, Texas, Mrs. Doris Dunn of Hobbs, New Mexico and Mr. Roland Morphew of Queen City, Texas.

Mr. Colwell is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Kiefer Cauble of Roby, Texas and Mrs. Vivian "Vicki" Colwell and the late Mr. Quinton T. Colwell of Lubbock, Texas.

The bride-elect is a 2008 graduate of Midland Christian School and a 2012 graduate of Texas Tech University, where she earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Human Studies Applied and Professional Sciences.

The prospective groom is a 2007 graduate of Hamlin High School and attended Texas Tech University. He is currently employed as a ranch manager of the 6M+ Ranch in Johnson City, Texas.

The couple will be married April 5, 2014 at Sacred Oaks at Camp Lucy in Dripping Springs, Texas.

## Parker - Thomas

Keith and Tina Parker of Midland announce the engagement and upcoming wedding of their daughter, Lauren Kendall Parker, currently of Carrollton, to Tyler David Thomas, also currently of Carrollton. Tyler is the son of Greg and Anita Thomas of Sherman.

Kendall is the granddaughter of Elvis and Esther Parker of Amarillo, Mrs. Mary Russell of Katy and the late Charles Russell.

Tyler is the grandson of Dave and Carolyn Thomas of Gallatin, Tennessee, and Donald and Ann Chance of Brewton, Alabama.

Kendall is a 2007 graduate of Robert E. Lee High School in Midland and attended Midland College and Texas Tech University. She is currently employed by Fischer & Company in Dallas.

Tyler is a 2007 graduate of Sherman High School and graduated with a construction engineering degree from Texas Tech University in 2011. He is currently employed as an office engineer by Austin Commercial, also in Dallas.

The wedding is scheduled for July 12 in Mansfield.

## Richter - McDonald

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Richter of Midland are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Veronica Marie Richter, to Ian Patrick McDonald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael McDonald of East Grand Rapids, Michigan.

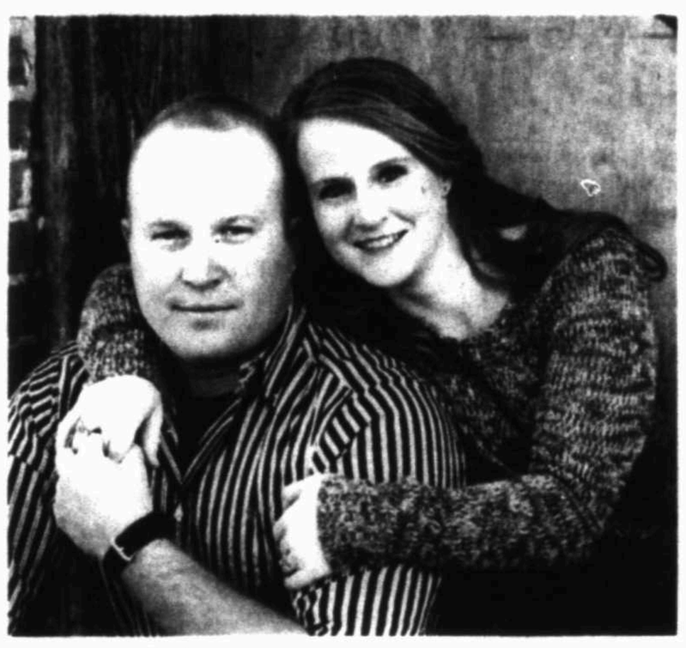
The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Alex H. Richter, and of Mrs. Rose Hauger of San Antonio and the late Mr. Samuel F. Hauger.

She is a 2008 graduate of Midland High School and received a Bachelor of Science in Engineering Science from Trinity University in 2012. She is employed as a field engineer with Schlumberger in Midland.

The future bridegroom is the grandson of Mrs. Gail McDonald of Lake Orion, Michigan and the late Mr. Robert McDonald, and of Mrs. Helen Lechner of Sterling Heights, Michigan, and the late Dr. Monroe Lechner.

He is a 2008 graduate of East Grand Rapids High School in East Grand Rapids, Michigan and received a Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Engineering from the University of Michigan in 2011. He is employed as a field engineer with Schlumberger in Esbjerg, Denmark.

A June wedding is planned in Midland.



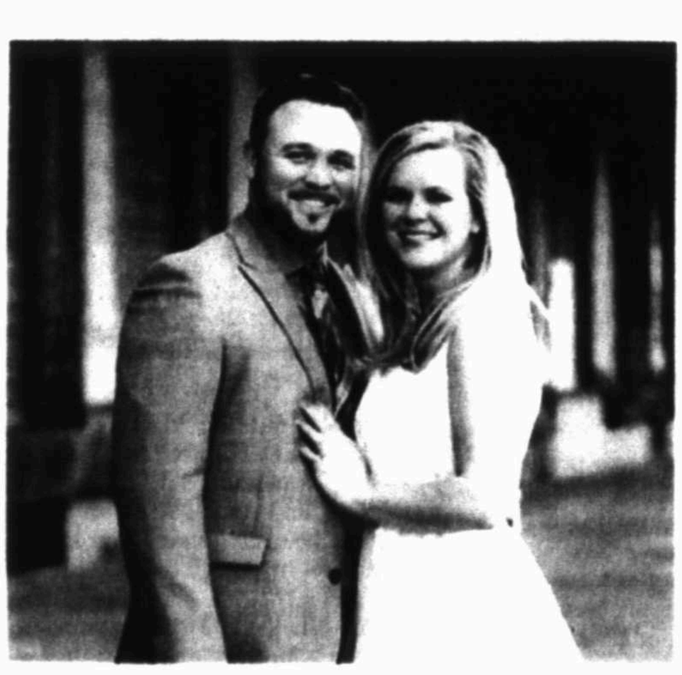
## Jones - Griffin

Caitlin D. Jones and Christopher R. Griffin are pleased to announce their engagement and forthcoming wedding.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Weldon and Deborah Jones of Big Spring, Texas. Caitlin is a graduate of Forsan High School and is currently studying mathematics at Angelo State University.

The groom-to-be is the son of Lessie Griffin Pickard of San Angelo, Texas and the late Stephen Randolph Griffin of Midland, Texas. Chris is a graduate of Midland High School, attended Texas A&M University and is currently the operations manager for Spartan Energy Services.

A May wedding is planned in Lawn, Texas.



## Benton - Stewart

Matt and Morgan Benton announce the engagement of their daughter, Jana Benton, to Ryan Stewart, the son of Robert and Nancy Stewart.

The bride elect, a dental hygienist, is currently employed at 38th Street Dental in Austin, Texas. The future bride groom, a professor of Kinesiology, is currently employed at Tarrant County College, in Ft. Worth, Texas.

The couple plan to marry on July 5, 2014, at Cypress Fall Event Center, in Wimberley, Texas. They will reside in Parker County, Texas.

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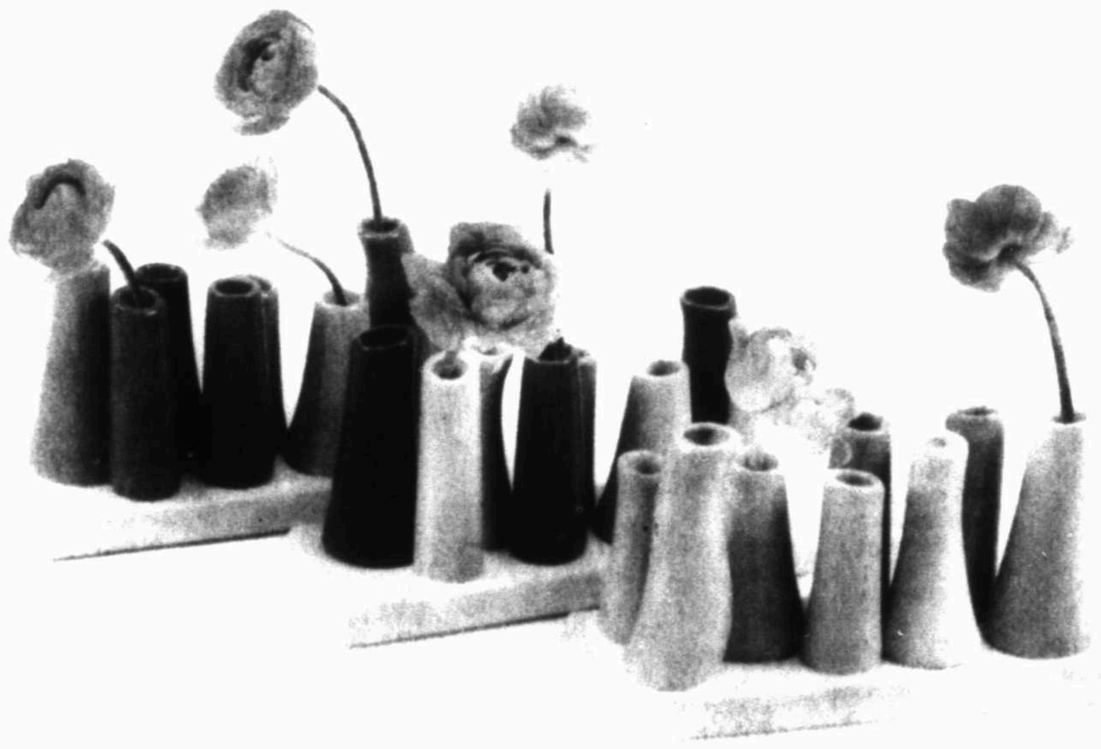


The photo above, provided by Chive, shows Chive's Pooley 2 fully glazed ceramic bud vases that come in eight or 12 vase configurations, and attach to a rectangular base. A flower can be placed in only one or two, or in the full array — using only one type of bloom or leaf looks particularly striking. The vases, available at Chive.com, come in a wide range of subtle yet saturated hues.

*AP photo*

# Right at Home: variations on the vase

**By Kim Cook**
*Associated Press*

We've been picking flowers and sticking them in containers for thousands of years.

The early Egyptians did it, as did the Chinese: Feng Shui guidelines for creating harmony in a home suggest placing vases of fresh-cut flowers throughout the dwelling to relieve stress, and increase productivity and creativity. Ikebana, the 600-year-old art of Japanese flower arranging, became a craft of high regard, with a spiritual element.

Today, artisans, designers and even florists continue to dream up interesting new vessels.

New York City-based floral designer Matthew Robbins has created a simple line of vases for Teroforma that takes some of the guesswork out of flower arranging. Each vase — Bud, Cutting, Bouquet, Branch — describes what works best in it, and each is crafted of the same neutral white bisque porcelain, with a subtle yet referential etched motif. (www.teroforma.com)

"We wanted to create a line of vases that provided a perfect visual anchor for fresh flowers. Clean shapes and surfaces are wonderful; they keep the focus on the flowers," said Robbins.

The Museum of Modern Art's store offered several interesting vases at this spring's design preview in New York. French design team Charlotte Arnal and Francis Fevre's Zouzous vase is a polycarbonate receptacle enrobed in a shaggy coat of colorful polypropylene bristles.

Also at the MoMA store, Charlie Guda perches a narrow vial in front of a small yet powerful lens to magnify a single flower. Guda created the Big Bloom vase as homage to 18th century French physician Augustin-Jean Fresnel, who invented a lens to enhance the brightness of lighthouse lanterns and contributed to naval navigation safety. And Ricardo Saint Clair's playful chalkboard-faced vase gives you a surface to add an image or a message, and comes complete with chalk. (www.momastore.org)

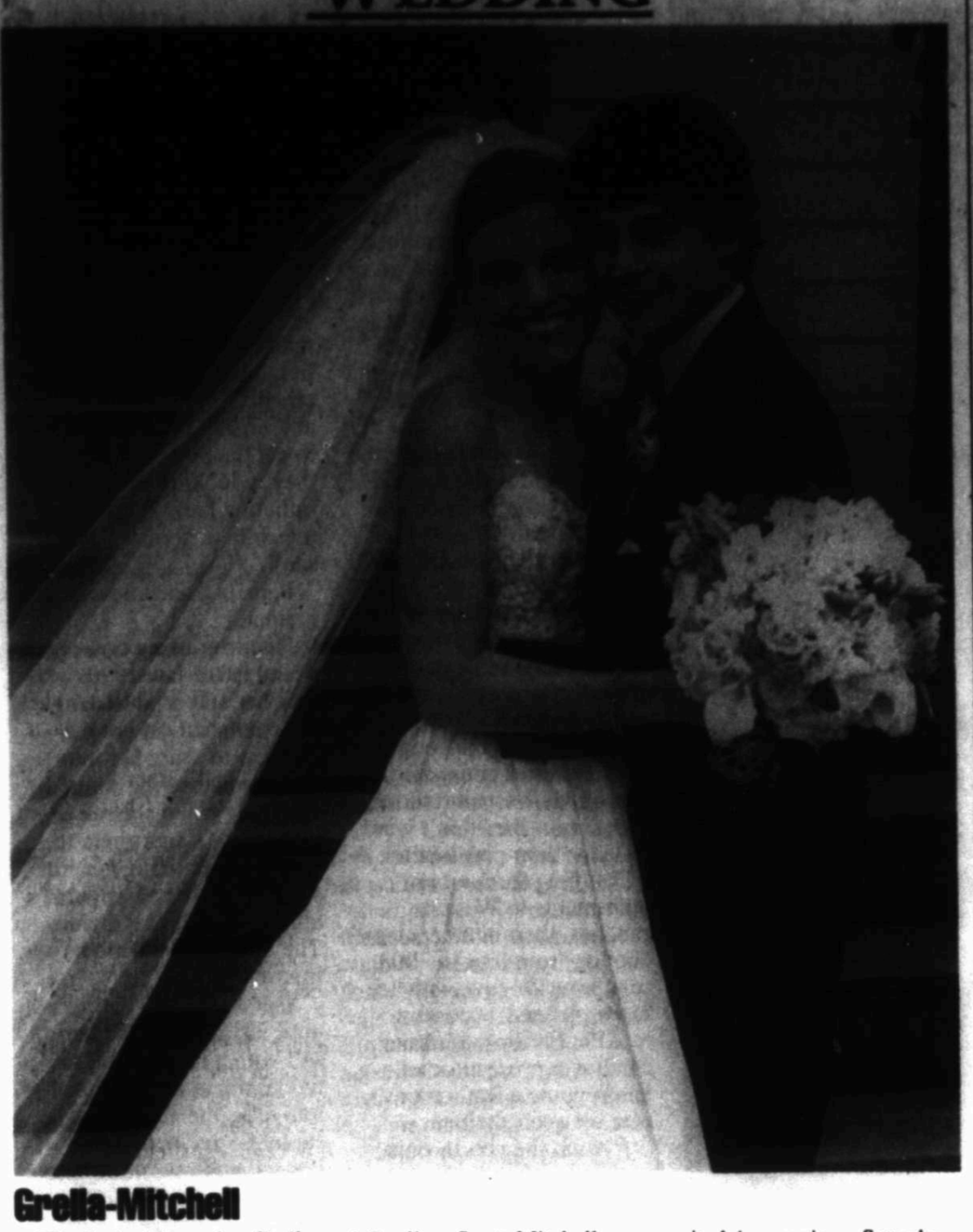
Bliss Home and Design has an array of ceramic vases with textural elements that add drama: The Pompon vase is festooned with white balls; the Sea Sponge is made of layers of glazed clay resembling fronds of ocean sponge; and Monkey Paw is made of dozens of iridescent ceramic blooms. (www.blisshomeanddesign.com)

Toronto-based design outfit Chive has decided to focus solely on selling vases. At the NY Now show in February, their booth was abuzz with buyers placing orders for Pooley 2, a cluster of glazed ceramic bud vases affixed to a slab, as well as the Hudson 4 collection of clear glass vessels in configurations ranging from simple single shapes (such as a hanging egg) to conjoined vases that form caterpillar or bubbles. A porcelain bird vase in gray, white, blue or black seems to rest on the flowers or greenery placed in a receptacle at its feet. (www.chive.com)

Waterford's Evolution series has some striking examples of artisanal glasswork. The Menagerie Trinidad vase interprets the markings of a graceful ocelot, while the Nairobi invokes the bold stripes of a zebra. The Agate vase was inspired by the colors and concentric bands of quartz agate. (www.macys.com)

Ikea's Socker vase is an enameled steel-and-eucalyptus-handled bucket of diminutive proportions, so flowers displayed in it have the look of a European flower market. Ikaprig is a stoneware cylinder with a homespun aesthetic. (www.ikea.com)

## WEDDING



### Grella-Mitchell

Elizabeth Alexandra Grella and Sterling Scott Mitchell were united in marriage Saturday, October 5, 2013 at a sunset ceremony at Rough Creek Lodge in Glen Rose, Texas, with the Right Reverend Sam Hulsey officiating.

Music for the ceremony was provided by the Dallas String Quartet, pianist Sawyer Stoltz from Midland, Texas and soloist Mary McLaughlin from Midland, Texas, both close childhood friends of the bride. Scripture readers were Elizabeth Bryan Riggs, aunt of the bride, of Midland, Texas, Cindy Oldham Devlin, aunt of the groom, of St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held with dinner served in the Rough Creek Lodge Grand Room. The celebration continued as guests danced to the music of Limelight band, of Dallas, Texas.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Grella of Midland, Texas. She is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jack Riggs, and the late Mary Grella and Michael Grella, both of New York, New York.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Skeet Mitchell, and Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Smith. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Mitchell, and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Newcomb, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Oldham, and Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Mace.

Given in marriage by her family, and escorted by her father, the bride wore a princess style gown of ivory over champagne satin. The gown featured custom beading on the fitted bodice and a scalloped train, and was complemented by the cathedral length veil and her hand-tied bouquet of all white and ivory garden roses and soft dahlias.

The couple was married in front of a six foot tall cross designed with a curly willow branches and fresh greenery created for the ceremony. The branches of the cross were adorned in white hydrangea, and were placed behind a myriad of flickering candles on the chandeliers lighting the aisle.

Margery Grella Gossett of Fort Worth, served as the Matron of Honor for her sister. Serving as bridesmaids for Elizabeth were Haley Brodecki of The Hague, Netherlands, Laura Collier of Dallas, Texas, Parker Crouch of Midland, Texas, Janis Grella of Midland, Texas, Brittany Lichtig of Costa Mesa, California, Shelby Mitchell of Midland, Texas, and Justine Blaire Sosa of Midland, Texas.

Serving as Junior Bridesmaid was Lexie Burris of Lubbock, Texas. The flower girl was Hillary Burris of Lubbock, Texas. The bridesmaids wore gray chiffon floor length dresses and carried bouquets of roses, hydrangeas, season peonies, and delphinium.

The bridal party included Kelley Brown of Fort Worth, Texas, Karla Morrison of Lubbock, Texas, Mary McLaughlin of Chicago Illinois, and Ashley Waldeck, of Fort Worth, Texas.

Serving as the best friend for Sterling was Thomas Elmore Morris, IV of Houston, Texas. Groomsmen were Christopher Arreguy of Midland, Texas, Kale Branum of Midland, Texas, Steven Logan of Houston, Texas, Chase Sammons of Midland, Texas, Brian Scherer of Midland Texas, Robert Whiteside of Midland, Texas, and Ryan Williams of Midland, Texas.

Serving as Junior Groomsman was Lex Devlin, cousin of the groom, of St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Island. The ring bearer was Jayden Bidlack of Midland, Texas.

Ushers were John Grella, brother-in-law of the groom, of Midland, Texas, William Grella of Fort Worth, Texas, brother-in-law of the groom, Clark Gossett, of Fort Worth, Texas, brother-in-law of the groom, and Mathew Lucas of Midland, Texas.

Following a honeymoon to Peter Island, British Virgin Islands, Elizabeth and Sterling live in Midland.

Peter Dejong/AP

Associated Press reporter Mike Corder demonstrates how to eat raw herring March 12 outside one of Amsterdam's ubiquitous herring stands, in the Netherlands.

# *national* SNACK

## Herring stands in Holland gives locals, tourists fish fix

**By Mike Corder**
*Associated Press*

AMSTERDAM — Tilting your head back, pinching a herring's tail between your thumb and forefinger and lowering it into your mouth, you're not just eating a raw fish. You're getting a briny taste of Dutch history.

Dotted around Amsterdam and across the Netherlands, humble stands selling North Sea herring give the locals a year-round fish fix thanks to a centuries-old preserving process backed up these days by a healthy dose of deep freezing.

No trip to the Netherlands can be considered complete without tasting this national snack — the Dutch equivalent of eating a hot dog or pretzel in New York, but positively healthy by comparison.

For a couple of dollars, you get yourself a herring that has been partially gutted, preserved in brine, then skinned and filleted (preferably as you watch) by a deft, knife-wielding worker.

A good herring is a thing of simple beauty, with a firm but almost creamy texture because its high fat content and a salty, fishy taste of the sea.

For hundreds of years, the fish were caught and had their gills and part of the gut cut away — leaving in the pancreas, which helps develop the flavor of the flesh — and immediately submerged in salty water to preserve them. These days, herring are caught in the North Sea and mostly gutted and laid in brine onshore, sometimes frozen in brine to preserve them longer.

At Stubbe's Haring stand, a trailer set up on a bridge at the end of the historic Singel canal close to Amsterdam's central railway station, the herring are street food at its best. There are no seats or tables; you just eat on your feet, preferably gazing down the canal and standing out of the way of the cyclists who whizz past ringing their bells impatiently at any tourist who inadvertently strays onto a bike path.

How your herring is served depends on where you buy it.

In Amsterdam, custom dictates that the herring fillets are cut into pieces, smothered with chopped, raw onion and served with a side order of sliced, picked gherkins and a tiny decorative Dutch flag on a toothpick that doubles as your cutlery. Elsewhere in the country, the herring are served filleted but whole and still attached to the tail, providing a handy piece to hold onto as you drop the salty, fatty fillets into your mouth.

In The Hague, a stand outside Parliament, Haringkraam Buitenhof, even has a tap and soap dispenser to wash the post-snack fishy smell off your hands.

If sampling a herring leaves you hankering to see their natural habitat, you can head to the North Sea town of Zandvoort aan Zee, a half-hour train journey west of Amsterdam, for a stroll along the beach. Alternatively, you can do what most tourists do and take a canal cruise and visit the beautifully renovated Rijksmuseum.

**If You Go...**

STUBBE'S HARING: Singel Amsterdam. At the end of the Harlemmerstraat.

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## Turn raw kale into salad you will crave

**By Elizabeth Karmel**
*Associated Press*

There was a time when kale was just ornamental. Then suddenly it became a culinary superstar!

And with good reason. Because once you start eating kale, it will become the "new normal" base for your salads. It has a more robust flavor and texture than lettuce, and is good for you, too. And that's all because kale is part of the same family as broccoli, cauliflower, Brussels sprouts and cabbage.

Black kale — also called Tuscan kale — is the best choice for salads. It has soft, flat leaves and is not prickly or curly. It still needs to be de-stemmed and the leaves need to be torn, but it isn't nearly as tough as curly kale, which is a good choice for making kale chips. Baby kale is the easiest kale to use because all you need to do is wash and dry the tender leaves and finish making the salad.

There are many ways to dress kale in a salad. I love adding a touch of sweetness to both the dressing and the salad mix-ins. This counteracts the slight bitterness of the leaves. The other key is to dress the kale, then let it sit for 5 to 10 minutes before adding the other ingredients. This will slightly wilt the greens, remove the bitter flavor and make the raw kale more tender.

My dressing is similar to Southern coleslaw dressing and I find that it complements the kale without overpowering it.

### Kale salad with apples, apricots and manchego cheese

Start to finish: 25 minutes (10 minutes active)
Servings: 6

For the dressing:
2 tablespoons cider vinegar
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1/2 cup mayonnaise
2 tablespoons sugar
1/2 teaspoon kosher salt

For the salad:
1 large bunch (about 1 pound) Tuscan kale, stems torn or cut out, leaves torn into small pieces
1/3 cup dried apricots, julienned
1/3 cup pumpkin seeds
2 ounces manchego cheese, grated
1 Pink Lady apple, cored and cut into thin half moons
Ground black pepper

To make the dressing, in a large bowl whisk together the vinegar, lemon juice, mayonnaise, sugar and salt. Add the kale and toss to coat well, then set aside for 10 minutes. After 10 minutes, toss again to coat well.

Sprinkle the apricots, pumpkin seeds and cheese over the dressed kale. Toss again to evenly distribute. Season with pepper and additional salt, if needed. Fan thin slices of apple over the top of the salad and serve.

Nutrition information per serving: 230 calories; 110 calories from fat (48 percent of total calories); 12 g fat (3.5 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 15 mg cholesterol; 26 g carbohydrate; 3 g fiber; 12 g sugar; 9 g protein; 330 mg sodium.

Once the kale is prepped, you can add any of your favorite combinations of salad ingredients. I like dried apricots, pumpkin seeds, grated manchego cheese and apple slices. The slivered dried apricots add texture, color and a sweet-tartness, the pumpkin seeds add a welcome crunch and a burst of protein to the salad, and the grated manchego adds richness that pairs perfectly with the crisp and refreshing slices of apple.

This is a salad that looks good on the plate and is good for you, but the taste is what will sell you. You will crave it. And because it has big, robust flavors, it's perfect for pairing with an Easter ham or roast lamb.

## *Jelly, jam go beyond toast*

### Hints from Heloise

*King Features Syndicate*

**Dear Heloise:** With so many different jams and jellies to choose from, I don't just use it on toast anymore. Here are a few of the ways I use jams, jellies and preserves:

- If you have no fresh fruit, use a tablespoon of jam or jelly on oatmeal in the morning.
- Take the top rind off your favorite brie cheese, cover with jam or jelly and bake until warm.
- Mix your favorite flavor with cream cheese and serve with crackers at your next party.
- Add to yogurt.

I hope other readers will try some of these tasty hints. — Kelly T. in New York

**Boiled dry**

Dear Heloise: The directions for my coffee maker state to dispose of the glass coffee carafe if it has been boiled dry. I am wondering, why? — Andree M. in South Dakota

Very good question, and an important safety one also! If a coffee carafe has boiled dry, the concern is from what is referred to as "dry-heating." After this has occurred, the glass may have been compromised, causing it to crack the next time you go to use it. Rather than have that happen, it is recommended you replace the glass carafe immediately. — Heloise

**Cleaner pans**

Dear Heloise: When I boil dry beans (pinto, black beans, lima, etc.), I thoroughly wash my stainless-steel cooking pan, using hot water, soap and a nylon scrubbie. However, the pan always dries with an ugly, whitish film covering the inside bottom surface. I just cover the bottom with a little white vinegar, let it stand for a few minutes and re-rinse. The pan dries bright and sparkling! — A Reader in Oregon

Isn't vinegar amazing? There are so many ways to use it around the house (and it's inexpensive and eco-friendly). I have even more vinegar hints and recipes available in a six-page pamphlet, Heloise's Fantabulous Vinegar Hints and More! You can order one by sending $5 and a long, self-addressed, stamped (70 cents) envelope to: Heloise/Vinegar, P.O. Box 795001, San Antonio, TX 78279-5001. Next time you boil potatoes, add a small amount of vinegar to the water. This keeps the potatoes white while keeping the pan from turning dark! — Heloise

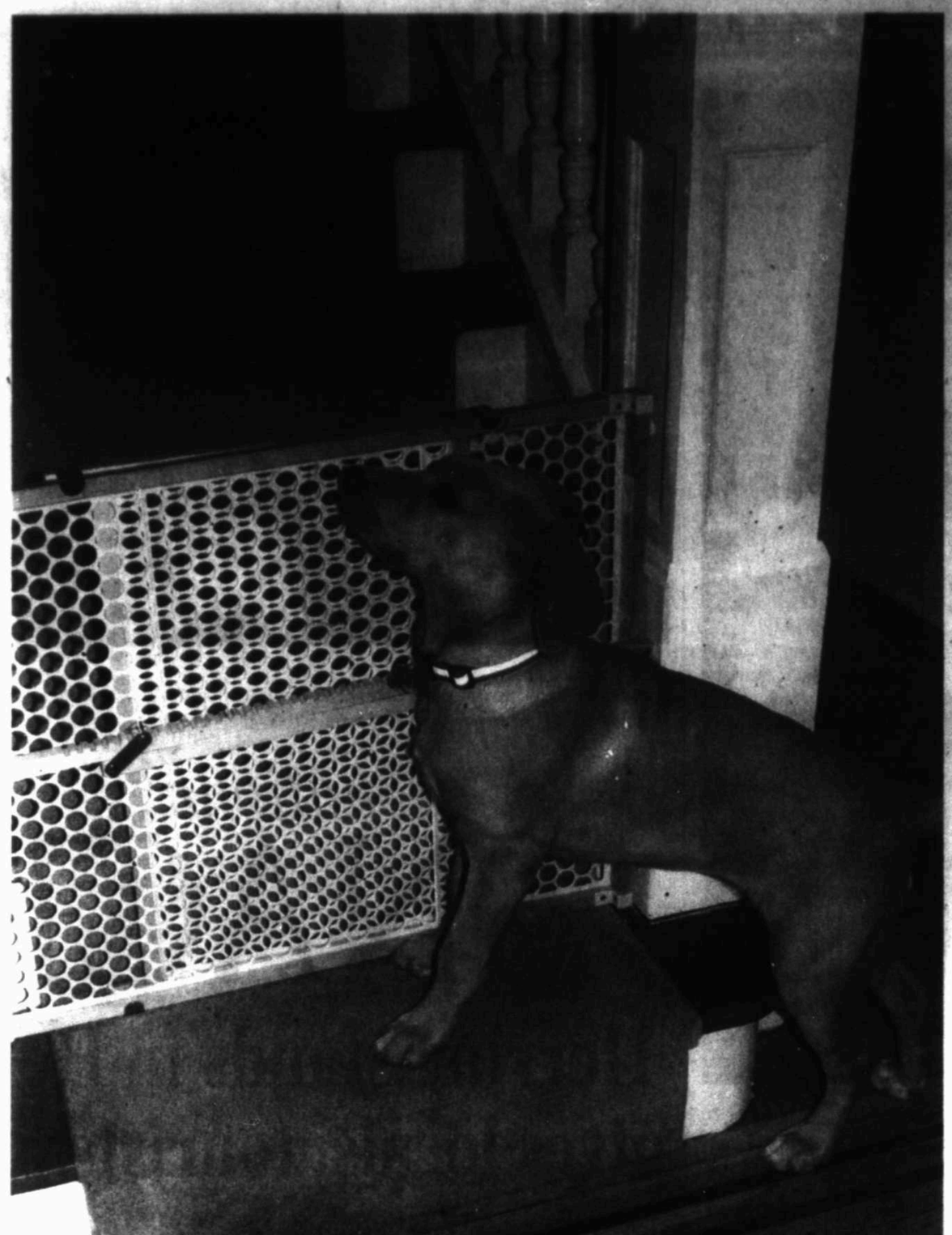
**Drying sponges**

Dear Heloise: We purchased a metal wire napkin holder, which we keep near the kitchen sink. Wet sponges stored in the napkin holder dry thoroughly.

Of course, we live on the front range of the Rocky Mountains in Colorado. Relative humidity of single digits is not uncommon. Having the sponges off the counter with airflow on all sides should help in any climate. — Marcus R., Colorado Springs, Colo.

**Bugproof**

Dear Heloise: Most instant rice and potatoes come in boxes with a pull-out spout. After opening, I cover the entire end of the box with a sheet of clear plastic wrap and secure it with a tight rubber band around the box. No spills, and it keeps bugs from getting in. — Mike in Kansas



A puppy waits by a gate for children to come downstairs from their bedrooms on March 19. The gate prevents the puppy from going to the second floor, where she is not yet allowed.

*Shirley Salemy Meyer/AP*

# More domestic violence shelters are taking in pets

**By Jennifer Peltz**
*Associated Press*

NEW YORK — When her abusive husband left for work last fall, she grabbed her kids, her dog and her bags, only to run up against a heart-wrenching obstacle: None of the city's more than 50 domestic violence shelters would accept the pet.

"Should I still leave?" the 34-year-old woman asked herself before fleeing and ultimately finding a foster home for her Chihuahua.

Now, after months apart, the family and Peppah the Chihuahua recently moved into the city's first pet friendly domestic violence shelter, one of a growing number across the country that address a common reason victims are reluctant to leave — they don't want to leave their pets behind.

Ranging from urban apartments to Western ranches, their numbers have shot up from four in 2008 to at least 73 now, with 15 more planned, according to Allie Phillips, a former Michigan prosecutor who has become a leading advocate for such shelters.

Behind the nondescript walls of a New York City building that quietly harbors about 120 adults and children, "pet-friendly apartment" signs mark units outfitted with such special features, such as a dog run built in a side alley, intended to keep residents from having to walk their pets on local streets, lest their batterers learn where they are.

Because of safety concerns, The Associated Press is withholding residents' identities, except for information they agreed could be used.

The shelter, run by the Urban Resource Institute, began allowing cats and pocket pets such as gerbils and hamsters in June and dogs last month, with veterinary and other help from the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals and a Purina PetCare Co. donation for the dog run.

Animal welfare and domestic violence groups have found common cause in recent years amid growing interest in connections between animal cruelty and family abuse. Those links have spurred about two dozen states to start letting pets be included in protective orders since 2006; others are considering it, including New Hampshire and Ohio.

Studies have found about 70 percent of domestic violence survivors said their batterers also threatened, injured or killed their pets, and 25 to 50 percent said they delayed fleeing out of fear of what would happen to animals left behind, said psychologist Randall Lockwood, an ASPCA senior vice president.

"The pets that are normally a source of comfort in families can become targeted, particularly if the abuser sees that as a way to get the power or control they're looking for without inflicting harm directly on the child or spouse," he said.

Pamela Isaac knows that firsthand.

Her drug-using boyfriend in the late 1990s beat her and used to dangle her cherished cat out the window to scare her into doing whatever he wanted, she said. When she ran to a neighbor's apartment to escape his choking her, she said, he set her apartment ablaze with the cat inside. The animal died from its injuries.

She shied from dating until 2012 and found herself with a man whose initial kindness disintegrated into drug-fueled abuse, she said. She decided to flee last fall with her three cats.

Now she, Lucy, Rikki and Gizmo live in a compact one-bedroom apartment at the Urban Resource Institute shelter; she authorized the use of her name. Taking care of them gives her a sense of purpose in moments of doubt, she said.

"That's very healing for me," said Isaac, 58, an art teacher. "We take care of each other."

Around the country, pet friendly shelters are as varied as the Women's Center of Mid-Minnesota, which has housed dozens of cats and dogs over decades in a six-bedroom house in Brainerd, and 5-year-old Littlegrass Ranch, which finds short-term safe houses for abused women and their horses in the Texas Hill Country.

Founder Christie Kitchens said when she was thinking about what she needed to take with her when leaving an abusive relationship long ago, "everything else was optional but the horse."

Pet friendly shelters have faced questions about whether animals are taking some focus and resources from abused people, though advocates said they're only responding to the priority some clients place on their pets.

For Peppah's owner, nothing can top having her three children and the dog together again.

# Puppy-proofing? Protect your dog — and your home

**By Shirley Salemy Meyer**
*Associated Press*

We bought food bowls, borrowed a crate and dusted off baby gates. But soon after we adopted our 13-week-old puppy, we discovered the house really wasn't ready.

Clove, a Labrador retriever mix, chewed wires we thought were hidden and investigated stairs we thought she'd ignore. She rummaged through deep plastic bins holding smelly shin guards and plucked snow-soaked mittens from our warm radiators. Within a week of her arrival, we had to block off power strips, reorganize our mudroom, devise a new plan for drying winter gear and gate the staircase.

"It's a lot like having an infant in the household," said Pamela Barlow, animal behavior counselor at the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals' adoption center in New York City.

Barlow said puppies need constant supervision and a safe environment to explore. She cautions against confining them so much that they don't get outside experiences. It is hard to go back and socialize puppies if owners miss the window of opportunity to do so.

Puppies are drawn to things they can chew on and are stimulated by things that move, said Dr. Carlo Siracusa, director of the Penn Vet Behavior Service at the University of Pennsylvania.

"Many times we think that we should protect our home from a new puppy," Siracusa said, because the puppy could potentially cause damage. But more important is the opposite: making sure that puppies are safe in their new home.

Most essential is to create a safe haven — a place where the puppy can rest and sleep when there is too much excitement or stimulation, such as when kids have friends visiting, Siracusa said.

For the Sullivan family of South Orange, N.J., a crate has proven to be more useful for keeping their puppy, Angus, safe than his exercise pen has. Angus, a Bichon Frise-poodle mix now 5 months old, learned how to get out of the pen the first day, said Elie Sullivan. She keeps the door of his crate, located in her sons' room, open.

"He'll go in there and have a nap," she said as Angus, as soft as a skein of cashmere, cuddled in her lap.

Sullivan blocked stairs, moved low baskets into closets and bought tall hampers to prevent Angus from raiding the laundry.

"I like my house," she said. "I didn't want it torn up."

She also ensured that her house plants are safe for dogs.

Alexis Shield was prepared with puppy gear and house-training research before bringing home Teddy, an Australian Labradoodle, when he was 9 weeks old. Thanks to her planning and consistency with Teddy, she has been amazed at how fast he learned.

What she didn't expect, said Shield, who lives in a Virginia suburb of Washington, D.C., was how hard it would be to prepare her three young sons and supervise them with the puppy.

She has Teddy's crate in the kitchen, a safe place for him amid the household hubbub. Initially, Shield would occasionally put Teddy in the crate when she needed to do something and couldn't watch him; now a bit older, he's just in the crate when she leaves the house and at night, when he sleeps.

Puppy-behavior experts recommend these steps to protect your puppy at home:

■ Gate off rooms where you don't want your puppy to roam. For instance, one of Barlow's clients is an artist with a studio in her house. The artist gated off the studio so the puppy couldn't run around the easels, paint and chemicals.

■ Let puppies earn their freedom. Give them one space or room at a time. That way, owners can actively supervise them and limit any bad behavior.

■ Create a safe confinement area — a crate or exercise pen, for instance — where the puppy can stay when you are not home. There should be enough space for a sleeping area and a potty area when puppies are very young. Also essential are a non-spill water bowl and safe, enriching toys. Toys that are not safe for this area when you are gone include tennis balls, rope toys, toys that are shorter than about double the length of the puppy's snout, and stuffed toys that have glass or plastic eyes and noses, Barlow said.

■ Tape loose electrical cords. Use outlet covers.

■ Store cleaning chemicals out of reach. Use baby latches on cabinet doors if needed.

■ Move breakables and valuables out of the puppy's reach. Roll up new or valuable rugs until the puppy is house-trained.

In your yard:

■ Do not leave a puppy unsupervised, and be sure to fence in your yard before letting the puppy off leash.

■ Fence off the garden.

■ Use pet-safe gardening products, and be sure any lawn service you use does the same.

■ Store grill utensils out of the puppy's reach.

■ Make sure a swimming pool is fenced.

■ Check the ASPCA's list of poisonous plants.

■ As soon as puppies are old enough, start training them, especially the "drop it" and "leave it" commands.

**Online**

The ASPCA's "Springtime Safety Tips," including a list of poisonous plants: www.aspca.org/pet-care/springtime-safety-tips

For fun, see Design Sponge's "11 Ways to (Stylishly) Pet-Proof Your Home": www.designsponge.com/2014/01/10-ways-to-stylishly-pet-proof-your-home.html

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# Dave Ramsey

## Using credit card for corporate travel is financial Russian roulette

DEAR DAVE: My wife and I are debt-free except for our home. She travels one week per month and charges her expenses to a personal credit card for reimbursement later. I'd rather we open a checking account with debit card privileges just for these expenses. What do you think? — Dustin

DEAR DUSTIN: I've got to say I like your idea better. The problem you're both facing now is this: if her company ever shuts down, there's a good chance you guys are stuck with credit card debt.

Years ago I had a client who was working for a company, and he'd run up travel and business expenses on his American Express card. Like your wife's situation, his company would then reimburse him for expenses. Then, he made a business trip to Europe, and, while he was there, his company asked him to pick up some computer equipment. The cost of the trip and equipment was about $22,000. When he returned to the office with all the computer stuff in tow, the front door was padlocked. The IRS had shut them down, and they went into bankruptcy. And guess what else? He never got the $22,000 from the company!

Credit card companies don't care about the circumstances. They want their money, period. You guys have done pretty well if you're debt-free except for your home. But your wife is playing a game called financial Russian roulette, and it could backfire on you both at any time.

Never take personal responsibility for company expenses.

**DEAR DAVE**: I'm considering a career change and becoming a financial advisor. It would mean a 45 percent cut in salary for three to four years, and I'd have to take on debt in order to survive the cut. Is this a smart move? — Travis

DEAR TRAVIS: No, it's not. You didn't give me a lot of details about what kind of "financial advisor" you're thinking about becoming, but there are all kinds of people who put themselves in the category of financial advisor. A little voice in my head tells me you're actually talking about life insurance sales. If that's the case, then there are some things you need to understand. One, you wouldn't be a financial advisor; you'd be an insurance salesman. And two, there's about an 80 percent fallout in that world. Eighty percent of the people who start as insurance salesmen don't make it in that line of work.

Now, you could be making $200,000 right now. And if that were the case, you'd still be making good money while this new career takes root. Still, I'm not going to send you into debt for a career change. There's got to be a way around that, whether it's delivering pizzas at night or beginning your career change on a part-time basis before making the jump.

Travis, I want you to live your dream. I also have no qualms about you going into the financial world if it's what you really want to do with your life. But I'm not going to tell you it's OK to go tens of thousands — maybe even hundreds of thousands — of dollars into debt to make it happen. Going deeply into debt to become a financial advisor sounds pretty oxymoronic to me. Doesn't it to you?

Don't do something really dumb with money in the name of advising other people on their finances. That just seems wrong.

# Better Business Bureau

## Don't let puppy love blind you to online scammers

The Better Business Bureau serving Central, Coastal, Southwest Texas and the Permian Basin warns dog lovers to be cautious when responding to online or newspaper classified advertising. Commonly, a scammer — posing as a breeder — will place an ad offering free or inexpensive puppies. Communicating solely through emails, the scammer may claim they are moving to a foreign country and need to "re-home" the puppies.

Consumers may be taken in by the sincerity of the scammers. The con artist may say they don't care about money and just want to find a good home for their beloved puppies. Then, the scammers will ask for fees to cover shipping or re-homing the pet. These scammers may also try to take advantage of the buyer's identity by probing for personal information such as your birthday, address and phone number, all while masking it as "getting to know who's buying their puppies." Often sellers will request a wire transfer or prepaid debit card for payment. These are red flags that should be avoided — or you may end up without your money and without a puppy.

BBB offers this advice when considering the purchase of a pet:

■ Do your research. Ask for the breeder's references. You can also check BBB.org to see details about complaints against the breeder, advertising issues and other details about the seller.

■ Visit the breeder first. It is essential to visit the breeder at their home to see the entire litter, the care and conditions given to the puppies before purchasing. This will allow you to see if the environment is clean and healthy for the puppies.

■ Beware of breeders who seem overly concerned with getting paid. Any reputable breeder will be far more concerned with the appropriateness of the potential pet home than what and when they are getting paid. Make sure you have clear expectations — ideally in writing — of how and when the pup will be paid for. Be especially wary of any breeder who insists that you wire money or insists you can only pay with a prepaid debit card.

■ Don't be fooled by a slick website. Dishonest breeders and even outright scams can be represented by professional-looking websites that lure you in with fraudulent pictures of adorable puppies.

■ Take your time. Beware of breeders who claim to have multiple breeds ready to ship immediately. It's highly unlikely that your perfect puppy will be available for shipping on the very day you call. Gestation and socialization of a litter takes months — no puppy should be separated from the mom before eight weeks of age.

■ Report a scam. Anyone who has experienced a dog-related scam should report it to their local authorities, as well as your BBB.

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# Social painting grows popular at bars, art studios

By Kathy Matheson
*Associated Press*

PHILADELPHIA — The Fox and Hound pub in downtown Philadelphia boasts all the fixings of a standard sports bar: huge TVs, numerous beers on draft and a menu filled with burgers, wings and nachos.

So what are all the easels and canvases for?

Welcome to Paint Nite, an opportunity to tap your inner Van Gogh. Just order a drink, put on a smock and lighten up a bit as a friendly instructor takes you step-by-step through the brush strokes of a landscape, still life or skyline.

But be sure to reserve your spot ahead of time. The two-hour event, like more than a dozen others held weekly in Philadelphia, often sells out.

The experience known as social painting is seeing explosive growth in cities across the country as people seek to imbibe and relax while rediscovering their creative side.

"It's been crazy," said Laura Romaine, assistant manager of Painting with a Twist, another paint-and-sip business in the city. "They're like banging down the door to come in here and paint."

Not an artist? Join the club. The crowds include couples on dates, coed group outings, bachelorette parties and the simply curious. Many can't remember their last encounter with a palette.

Yet something clearly resonates. Painting with a Twist opened its BYOB studio in Philadelphia's funky South Street area in October and already is looking for a second location downtown, Romaine said.

The Louisiana-based company, which offers lessons as well as private painting parties, had 126 franchises nationwide as of last year — more than double its total in 2011, officials said.

And Paint Nite, which started with one event at a Boston bar in March 2012, has grown in two years to 55,000 people attending 1,100 events per month in the U.S. and Canada, co-founder Sean McGrail said.

The company has been adding 10 cities a month and just started its first overseas operation in Sydney, he said. Next up: Johannesburg and Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Paint Nite has also allowed artists such as Andrea Vann, 26, to quit unrewarding day jobs and focus full time on their passion. The business operates on a revenue-share model with its licensees, and the hosting pubs and restaurants get extra patrons out of the deal.

Vann, who served drinks in bars for years, now teaches her craft there and creates new artwork on the side. As one of two Philadelphia licensees, she also runs the financial end of her operation, which has included hiring help to keep up with demand.

"When I saw this job, I couldn't believe it because it seemed way too good to be true," Vann said.

On one recent night at Fox and Hound, Vann humorously walked a group of 40 through the creation of "Heavenly Stream," an ethereal depiction of a forest in autumn.

First, she made the budding Renoirs pledge not to whine about how badly they paint or how they screwed up the size of the tree trunk. And, she warned, don't even think about asking her to fix a "mistake."

There are no mistakes at Paint Nite. Well, except for the occasional brush in a beer glass, which often sits next to the plastic water cup used to rinse bristles.

Allyson Meng, who works in customer service for a transportation company, said she took the art excursion because she wanted to "step outside my boundaries."

"It was a challenge for me, but I really did enjoy it," Meng said. "I don't have an artistic bone in my body."

Some said they came to shake up their night life — to "drink creatively," as the Paint Nite motto said.

Yet Romaine suggested that perhaps participants are attracted to the idea of doing something tactile, making an object they can touch and take home.

"People don't do a lot of things with their hands anymore," she said. "We're all on screens all day."


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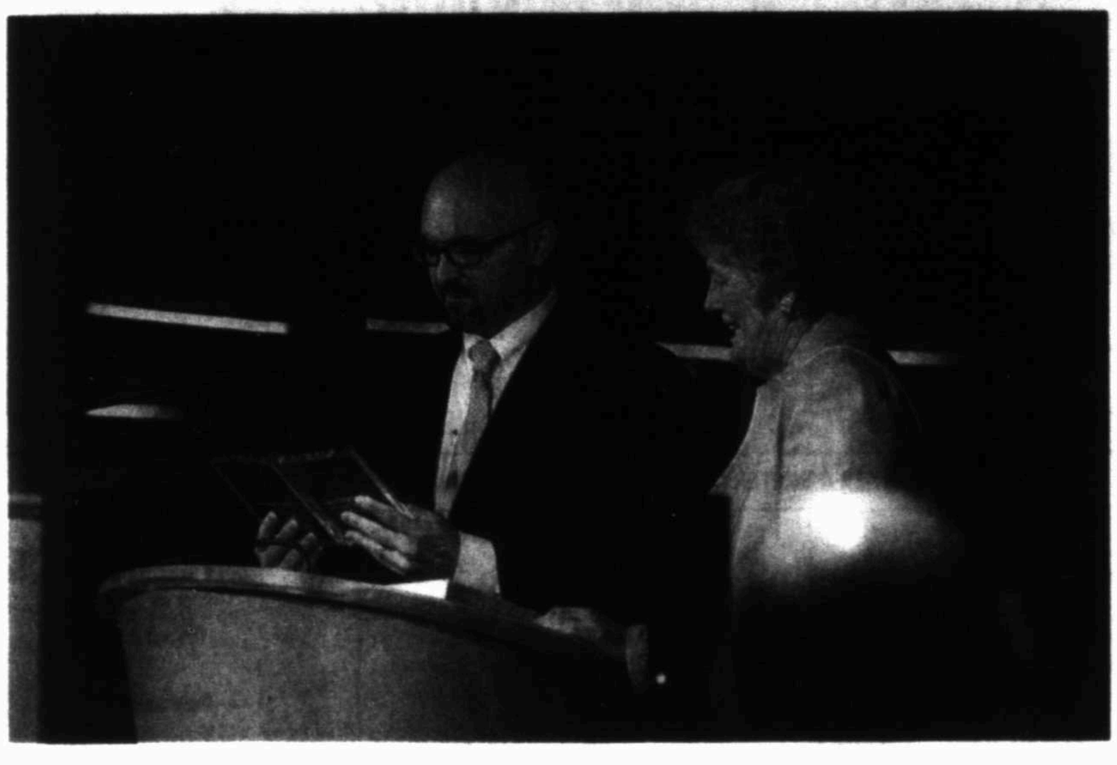

# LIBRARY BANQUET

**ABOVE**
Olympic medalist swimmer and author Amanda Beard speaks during the Library Foundation's annual fundraiser banquet March 22 at the Midland County Public Library Centennial branch.

**LEFT**
John Trischitti III, Midland County Library director, presents an award to Rosalind Redfern Grover for her support of the library during banquet.

*Photos by James Durbin*

A Rosemary plant is seen on residential property near Langley, Wash., in 2013. Many herbs, such as Rosemary, are attractive to look at as well as to taste. You can use them as a garnish or fragrant centerpiece on the dining room table.

*Dean Fosdick/AP*

# Gourmet herbs: tasty, attractive and easy to grow

**By Dean Fosdick**
*Associated Press*

Culinary herbs are enjoying a revival thanks to new varieties, stronger flavors, health concerns and more discerning palates. Their low cost, attractiveness and easy-to-grow attributes are making them popular, too.

"Herbs can add a lot of flavor to cooked dishes and lead to reductions in fat, salt and cholesterol," said Gary Gao, a horticulturist with Ohio State University Extension. These days, he said, "people tend to spend more time at home and less time traveling. Cooking meals at home also saves a lot of money."

Food safety concerns are another reason that many people plant herbs, he said. "Gardeners feel much better about their garden-fresh herbs than what they buy."

New varieties have been introduced for use with ethnic cooking, said George Ball, chairman of W. Atlee Burpee & Co. Sales have jumped 15 percent per year since Burpee and its Cook's Garden subsidiary launched their Pinnacle Herbs Collection in 2012, he said.

"Home cooks are experimenting with recipes outside the standard or customary menu," Ball said. "There is an unbelievable number of more subtle variations of taste of single herbs and, particularly, combos of herbs."

The Pinnacle Herbs line is made up of 50-plus varieties planted in the porous "compost pile" soils of mountainous western Pennsylvania.

"Free of air pollution, unfiltered light shining down on the herbs induces, fairly quickly, higher oil content production," Ball said in an email. "Even during pre-shipping, the smells are drifting off the plants. Really unique."

The difference between a good cook and a great cook often comes down to the use of culinary herbs — how much to use and how to pick them for optimal flavor, Ball said.

"Herb flavor declines and changes once plants begin and continue flowering," he said. "The best way to extend the harvest is by pinching (back) the plants often to keep them from flowering and, worse yet for flavor, from growing seed stalks."

Culinary herbs make a good alternative cash crop for small-scale growers, Gao said. Their market ranges from home gourmet cooks to restaurant chefs, health food and grocery stores, farmer's markets and food processing companies.

Basil, cilantro, parsley, rosemary, tarragon, sage and mint are the most commonly grown herbs for commercial use, Gao said.

Herbs are inexpensive, whether sold as seeds or plants. Try a taste test if undecided about which herb to buy, suggests Rose Marie Nichols-McGee, president of Nichols Garden Nursery in Albany, Ore.

"Go to a nursery and taste a little (leaf) sample from one of the plants," she said. "If it doesn't have the flavor you like, then it's obviously not a plant you want to buy."

Many herbs are attractive, too. Plate them up as a garnish or make some into fragrant centerpiece arrangements for the table. Lemon thyme, lavender, mint, some long-blooming oregano and the seed heads from garlic chives are frequently used for decorating.

"I think of them as the 'vegetable flowers'," Ball said. "They're very lovely plants to grow as well as to taste."

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## ON THE GO

## NAMES IN THE NEWS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

### STW Resources names sales VP

Larry Crosson has joined Midland's STW Resources Holding Corp., an integrated provider of oilfield services and water management, as vice president of sales. He will report to the president of the pipeline division Adam Jennings.

Crosson brings 40 years' experience in the oil and gas pipeline industry. Since 2000, Crosson has served as sales supervisor for a global pipeline contractor, supervising more than 60 personnel.

### Acme Brick recognizes Midland manager

Brent Keesee, manager of Acme Brick Company's Midland sales office, was among 47 throughout the Acme Brick system honored for achieving or exceeding their annual sales goals.

Since 1984, Acme and its affiliated companies have honored individuals who had achieved or exceeded their annual sales goals. Keesee is an 11-time recipient, receiving his award in ceremonies at the company's 29th Annual "President's Club Ring of Honor" Awards.

### TEEMCO honored at 2014 Oil & Gas Awards

OKLAHOMA CITY — TEEMCO, an Oklahoma-based environmental engineering firm with an office in Midland, won three awards at the 2014 Oil & Gas Awards. The Oil & Gas Awards recognize the outstanding achievements made within the upstream and midstream sectors of the oil and gas industry, focusing on health and safety, environmental engineering and corporate social responsibility. An independent panel of sixty judges selected winners for each of the awards.

TEEMCO won Consultancy of the Year at the Rocky Mountain Award Gala in Denver, which makes them back-to-back winners of the award, having won it in 2013. TEEMCO also took home the New Technology Development of the Year award at the Gulf Coast in Houston and Northeast Award Gala in Pittsburgh. These make a total of six national Oil & Gas awards in the past three years.

# Mobile pizza kitchen brings homemade goodies close to home

**By Audrie Palmer**
*MRT Contributor*

Call her a pizza expert — or on her way to becoming one.

You may have already seen Teri Kilani around town. In September, Kilani first hitched her mobile pizza oven to a trailer and began towing the area's first and only wood-fired oven out to events like the Permian Basin Fair, Midland Downtown Farmer's Market and the city of Midland Christmas parade.

Kilani said she's always liked to cook and cater for parties, so when her son built her a brick oven in her backyard a few years ago, she began to make pizzas for parties and get-togethers. Then she experimented with making individual pizzas. When an opportunity came about for her to have a mobile oven, one that she could tow and take to events, she left her job in sales after 19 years to pursue pizza making full time.

That's how one of the newest Midland eateries, Cane d'Oro Pizza (the "golden dog" in Italian and named after her family's golden retriever) was born.

Since then, Kilani has taken to catering private parties. She can be found at Rockin' Rodeo on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and at Graham's in Odessa after a large concert feeding the masses. She spent spring break week at the Museum of the Southwest and will return to the Museum for the Sunday Summer Lawn Concert series and Family Friday events in the coming months. Next month, she'll be a vendor for Texas Thunder and then in downtown Midland for the MAD about the Arts festival. She's hoping to supply pizza at the annual Fourth of July celebration also.

For birthday parties, Kilani said she'll have kids play with the pizza dough and provide chef hats and aprons for them to wear while they watch their individual pizzas being made before their eyes.

"The kids that are young think that's the neatest thing," she said.

She has one part-time employee who helps her during events and her son comes out to support her and help her when he can, she said. But she's also looking for others who may want the occasional way to help for the larger events.

Everything she serves is made from scratch. For the chicken pesto pizzas, the pesto is homemade and all the dough is made fresh each week at least three times with a minimum time of 24 to 48 hours for it to rise. For their specialty pizza, the West Texas Cheesesteak, Kilani prepares both the meat and cheese sauce herself and serves it if requested, as an upgraded specialty for parties and events.

"I don't have any formal training, but I know what tastes good," she said.

Her mobile oven is the only completely wood-fired oven in town and she said that while the inside may get as hot as 850 degrees, the outside of the oven is completely cool to the touch. Because it heats to such a high temperature, Kilani arrives to parties or events at least an hour before the start to prepare the fire and set up her preparation table and work station, which as a bonus rolls up into the trailer that hauls the oven.

It takes an art, she said, to cook the

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# *Sam's Club undergoing $5.7 million facelift*

After 18 years of serving West Texas, the Sam's Club at 1500 Tradewinds Blvd. is getting a facelift that will cost just shy of $5.7 million.

Construction began in early March and is expected to take about seven months. Part of the renovations is a $1.2 million gasoline island facing Andrews Highway.

As part of the remodel, Sam's Club will be adding new services, including a pharmacy that will be open to both members and the public. The pharmacy will feature $4 and $10 generic prescriptions.

Eye exams will soon be available in the Optical Center, which will be offering $40 off each additional pair of prescription eyeglasses with the purchase of a pair at regular price.

MELLA MCEWEN
*Reporter-Telegram oil editor*

A new Hearing Aid Center will carry premium technology in hearing aids and personal listening devices and offer free hearing tests and services administered by a licensed hearing aid fitter and dispenser.

Additional features will include an expanded cafe and a new front vestibule with new entry and exit locations to provide better access and new and expanded public restrooms.

The Midland Sam's Club, which opened in 1986, was one of the first Sam's Club locations in Texas after Wal-Mart founder Sam Walton opened the first location in 1983.

Sam's Club will remain open throughout the remodel process and work will be conducted in phases to minimize any inconvenience to members.

# THE ECONOMIST

## Texas wins Governor's Cup for business activity

### M. Ray Perryman

Texas has (once again) won Site Selection magazine's Governor's Cup, meaning that the Lone Star State had more corporate location/expansion projects in 2013 than any other state. To be counted, a project has to either involve a capital commercial investment of at least $1 million, 50 or more new jobs or 20,000 square feet of new construction. Last year, Texas had 657 such projects, far outpacing second-place Ohio (which had 480). Others near the top of the list include Illinois (with 383), Pennsylvania (348) and Michigan (312).

The win is not a first for Texas; we also won in 2004, 2005, 2010, 2012 and 2013 and were a close second in several of the intervening years. It's no accident or stroke of luck. Instead, the state's success is based on building on strengths to develop the kind of business climate that companies find attractive. There are other places with similar resources (such as California) that aren't even in the ballpark. In the years just before Texas implemented its major economic development programs in 2003, we ranked as low as 37th.

As I've mentioned before, Texas is leading the way in job creation. Currently, 8 percent of all jobs in the nation are in Texas. The state has accounted for nearly 2 million (31 percent) of the net new jobs created in the United States since 2000 and more than a million new jobs since the depths of the downturn. One reason is the oil surge, with drilling and related activity spurring job gains in communities near historically active fields (such as the Permian Basin) as well as fields only recently economically viable to explore and produce (including the Eagle Ford and Cline Shale plays).

However, the current Texas strength derives from many other sources in addition to energy, and we were at or near the top of the Governor's Cup rankings well before the oil surge began. Business operations in a variety of industries continue to move to the state to take advantage of workforce, regulatory, tax and other competitive benefits. From chemicals companies to biosciences firms to technology manufacturers and more, firms have been attracted by the state's favorable business climate.

Also noteworthy are Texas' economic development incentive options, which can be the difference between making the short list of potential locations and sealing the deal. While in an ideal world such tools might not be needed, the fact of the matter is that other states are offering them, and Texas must do so as well if we want to remain competitive. The success rate isn't perfect, of course, but the money invested by the state in incentive programs has paid off in a big way.

Key programs include the Texas Enterprise Fund (TEF) widely known as the largest "deal-closing" fund in the nation. It is used for projects with significant projected job creation and capital investment when a Texas site is competing with another viable out-of-state option. The Texas Emerging Technology Fund (TETF) is targeted at research, development and commercialization of emerging technologies. There is also special financing, workforce training, tax incentives and grants. And that's just at the state level; local communities also offer competitive packages to attract prospective new businesses, a process that was transformed 25 years ago with the economic development sales tax.

The result is a steady inflow of desirable corporate locations. The new commercial ventures offer jobs for Texans and tax receipts for the state and local governments. Many of the new positions are well paying, and there is evidence that Texas leads in job gains across all levels of wages.

Cities large and small are benefitting. The Milken Institute ranks top performing cities every year, and the 2013 list puts the Austin-Round Rock-San Marcos Metropolitan Statistical Area at the top. Dallas-Plano-Irving came in at seven, Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown at eight, and San Antonio-New Braunfels at 12. Fort Worth-Arlington, Corpus Christi and Laredo also ranked in the top 25 among large cities. For small cities, Midland was five, Longview seven, San Angelo eight and Odessa was 14, with Victoria and Waco also in the top 25. These population centers run the geographic gamut: East Texas, West Texas, Central Texas, the Border and the High Plains. The types of businesses driving expansion also vary widely.

It's gratifying to observe Texas' success. I have been on the front lines in much of the effort to enhance the state's competitiveness, performing economic development studies, testifying before Texas legislative committees, working with potential locating companies, and more. Believe me, the state's strong performance is no accident. Countless people have put in countless hours working to improve the opportunities and prosperity for all Texans. Winning awards such as the Governor's Cup is a very tangible sign that it is working.

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# BUILDING PERMITS

**Building permits March 17-21**

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| 1114 E. Jax Ave. | Residential Addition | $250 |
| 1105 Mulberry Lane | Fence | $300 |
| 4915 W. Loop 250 N. | Sign | $6,800 |
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| 4915 W. Loop 250 N. | Sign | $6,800 |
| 3401 Douglas Ave. | Residence-Detached | $17,055 |
| 3902 Pleasant Drive | Residence-Detached | $1,393 |
| 2625 Mariana Ave. | Residence-Detached | $1,673 |
| 3404 Cape Cod Lane | Residence-Detached | $1,626 |
| 1703 S. Colorado St. | Residence-Detached | $2,501 |
| 1910 Todd Drive | Fence | $500 |
| 1900 W. Missouri Ave. | Residential Addition | $37,500 |
| 3225 Hill Ave. | Residential Addition | $5,500 |
| 5308 Balfour Court | New Residence | $267,300 |
| 5306 Brown Heart Ln | New Residence | $241,200 |
| 1320 N. Fairgrounds | MH-Single Lot | $68,400 |
| 1320 N. Fairgrounds | MH-Single Lot | $59,200 |
| 1320 N. Fairgrounds | MH-Single Lot | $102,400 |
| 500 W. Illinois Ave. | Commercial Alteration | $560,000 |
| 500 W. Illinois Ave. | Commercial Alteration | $650,000 |
| 417 S. Main St. | Commercial Alteration | $1,500 |
| 508 W. Wall St. | Commercial Alteration | $38,000 |
| 1317 N. Lamesa Road | Sign | $5,400 |
| 2000 S. Baird St. | Residential Addition | $2,000 |
| 5303 Half Moon Circle | New Residence | $234,000 |
| 5105 Storey Ave. | Residence-Detached | $4,000 |
| 6709 Cactus Trail | Residential Addition | $29,600 |
| 5607 Andrews Hwy | New Commercial | $1,200,000 |
| 4302 Gulf Ave. | Residential Addition | $1,800 |
| 5400 Whitman Drive | New Residence | $413,820 |
| 211 N. Lincoln St. | New Residence | $103,320 |
| 6014 Llano Court | New Residence | $232,200 |
| 300 N. Marienfeld St. | Commercial Alteration | $800,000 |
| 1320 N. Fairgrounds | MH-Single Lot | $68,400 |
| 1320 N. Fairgrounds | MH-Single Lot | $72,800 |
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| 1320 N. Fairgrounds | MH-Single Lot | $54,400 |
| 1320 N. Fairgrounds | MH-Single Lot | $68,400 |
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| 1320 N. Fairgrounds | MH-Single Lot | $68,400 |
| 1320 N. Fairgrounds | MH-Single Lot | $54,400 |
| 1320 N. Fairgrounds | MH-Single Lot | $89,600 |
| 1320 N. Fairgrounds | Residence-Detached | $3,800 |
| 3211 W. Wadley Ave. | Sign | $2,500 |
| 4901 Anetta Drive | Fence | $30,000 |
| 5920 Homestead Blvd | Swimming Pool | $45,000 |
| 501 Liddon Ave. | New Residence | $127,800 |
| 5308 Bella Place | New Residence | $318,690 |
| 5309 Bella Place | New Residence | $237,960 |
| 713 S. Webster St. | Fence | $300 |
| 6008 Spahn St. | New Residence | $162,000 |
| 5918 Mile High Lane | New Residence | $252,000 |
| 6004 Spahn St. | New Residence | $159,000 |
| 6006 Spahn St. | New Residence | $159,000 |
| 2817 Cimmaron Ave. | Swimming Pool | $28,800 |
| 6010 Spahn St. | New Residence | $212,670 |
| 5614 Hathaway Court | Swimming Pool | $28,654 |
| 6014 Spahn St. | New Residence | $159,000 |
| 6012 Spahn St. | New Residence | $145,000 |
| 2012 Mosswood Drive | Swimming Pool | $22,595 |
| 3003 Douglas Drive | Residence-Detached | $12,000 |
| 2104 Ironwood Drive | Residential Addition | $20,000 |
| 6504 Waurika Place | Residence-Detached | $35,000 |
| 3514 Thomas Ave. | Residential Addition | $1,200 |
| 4973 Rustic Trail | Swimming Pool | $55,029 |
| 3217 W. Ohio Ave. | Residential Addition | $20,000 |
| 3204 Cimmaron Ave. | Residential Alteration | $2,500 |
| 2719 Delano Ave. | Residential Addition | $5,000 |
| 211 N. Midkiff Road | Sign | $2,264 |
| 3303 N. Midkiff Road | Sign | $1,355 |

*Source: City of Midland*

# MARKET WATCH

## So far, markets see little risk in Ukraine conflict

### Scott Wren

*Wells Fargo*

The two big stories consuming the bulk of most newscasts over the last couple of weeks have been the Russian push into the Crimea region of Ukraine and the search for the missing Malaysian Airlines Dreamliner 777. Of these, the one with the most potential to affect the stock market is the Ukraine story. But the S&P 500 continues to trade near record highs. What gives?

Investing is a game of probabilities that plays out each day the stock market is open for business. During each trading session, investors big and small try to determine if the transaction they are contemplating or the equities they currently hold represent an adequate potential return for a given level of risk. Risk is determined in the mind of each investor making a decision. For any potential outcome, one investor might assign it a high level of risk while another may believe there is a very low probability it will occur.

Ukraine is a small country that contributes little to overall global economic growth. Of course, the country's level of economic output is not what investors perceive as a risk that could negatively affect the American stock market. The risk surrounds Russia's intentions and how the rest of the developed world responds. Will Russia attempt to take over even more of the eastern, predominantly Russian-speaking parts of Ukraine? Is this just the beginning of Russia's attempts to rebuild the old Soviet Union? Will this lead to an armed conflict that draws in many of the globe's larger nations? All good questions whose answers depend on which investor you talk to.

Another risk we have been contemplating is less direct. Taking into account that Europe buys the vast majority of its natural gas from Russia, what happens if supplies are cut off or prices rise dramatically? It would likely be difficult for end users to quickly find another source for this important fuel. If Europeans are paying more to heat their homes, they have less to spend on discretionary items. European manufacturers could see production costs rise as electricity and other inputs become more expensive. This would likely have a negative effect on the level of European economic growth that we are expecting over the course of the next year. And improving European growth has been an important part of our optimism for the American stock market.

So far, based on the performance of the S&P 500, investors do not appear to believe there is a high probability that Ukraine's situation will spiral into a meaningfully negative outcome that will have wider implications for global economic growth. The U.S. stock market saw increased volatility in the early days of the conflict but that died down quickly as investors assessed the risks and determined that they appear, at least for now, to be small.

We in the equity strategy group would agree. Any increased stock market downside volatility based on Ukraine-related fears offers a buying opportunity in our opinion. But so far the stock market isn't biting on Ukraine.

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# $270M chocolate plant proof of US sweet tooth

**By John Hanna**
*Associated Press*

TOPEKA, Kan. — Americans aren't losing their taste for chocolate. Need proof? Look to Kansas, where candy giant Mars Inc. is opening its first new plant in 35 years to churn out millions of chocolate bars and other sweets every day.

Company officials held a grand opening Thursday for the sprawling, $270 million chocolate plant — which they said exists mostly to meet U.S. demand for its M&M's- and Snickers-brand candy.

The plant, built south of Topeka, will be able to produce 14 million bite-sized Snickers each day, as well as 39 million M&M's, enough to fill 1.5 million fun-sized packs.

"It's just unbelievable, the production," said Topeka Mayor Larry Wolgast, who keeps a dispenser of peanut M&M's on his desk at City Hall.

It's a sweet deal for state and local officials, too. The 500,000-square-foot facility is bringing about 200 jobs to the Topeka area, and the company plans to open a store downtown for several weeks.

Local officials, who joined the company at the grand opening, also are earning the right to brag that Topeka's work force, central location and accessible site enabled the region to win the plant over several dozen other communities. Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback, who favors almond M&M's, sees it as fitting that many Americans will get their favorite snacks from the Heartland.

Matt Hudak, who follows the U.S. market for "impulse" foods as an analyst for market researcher Euromonitor International, said candy makers can expect to see annual growth in chocolate sales stay above 3 percent, making chocolate "a continual bright spot." He also said Mars has been good at introducing new products, such as pretzel M&Ms and bite-sized Snickers to keep consumers interested.

Even in uncertain economic times, he said, chocolate remains an "affordable luxury."

"There is little reason to suggest that, all of a sudden in the U.S., people will start to dislike chocolate," he said.

The new chocolate factory is a sign that Mars officials are well aware of the trend and are bullish about future sales.

# PIZZA

From 1F

pizza in an oven that hot and each pizza takes only between 90 seconds and two-and-a-half minutes to fully cook.

Her almost two decades of working in sales has helped her turn her love of talking to and meeting new people into a new full-time job with a hobby that she enjoys.

"I love to entertain, I love to cook and I love to feed people. This is so much fun and a different taste of a pizza for many," she said.

For more information or to see if Cane d'Oro Pizza is serving lunch or dinner near you, follow them on Facebook or check www.canedoropizza.com.

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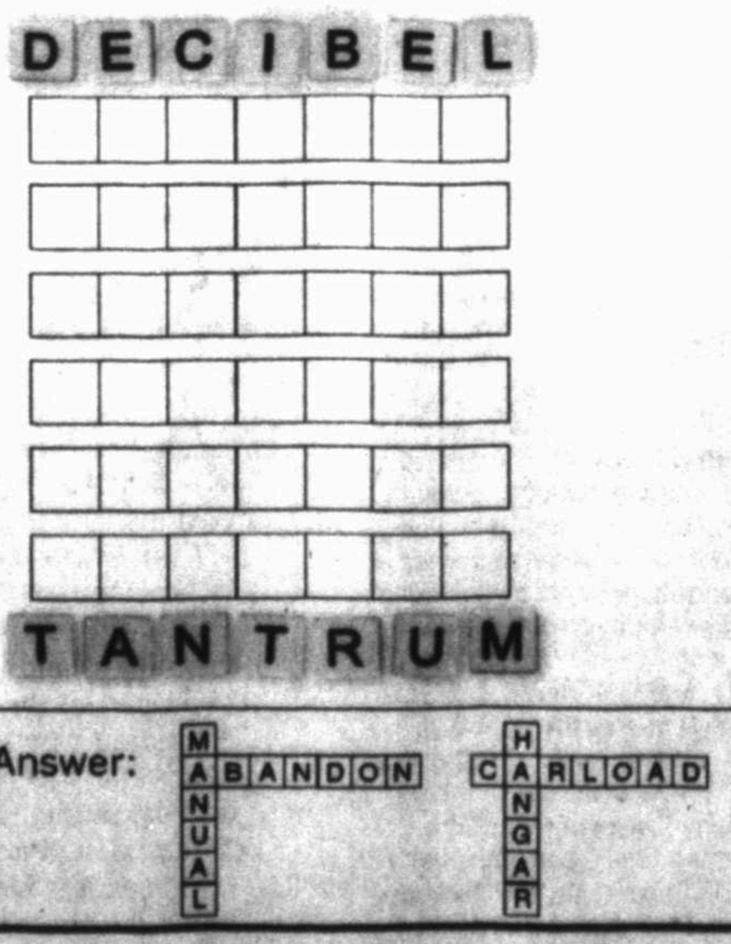


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| KMID ABC | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | In Touch Ministries | | GMA/Sunday | | The Truth | House | Paid | This Week (N) | | Church | Paid | Paid |
| KOSA CBS | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | Paid | Paid | Paid | M. Lyon | CBS Sunday Morning | | | FaceNat. | First Baptist Church | | First Baptist Odessa | |
| KWWT CW | 5 | 14 | | 5 | 14 | Family A. | Family A. | Green | Green | History | Hunters | Safari | Edgemont | Gilligan | Gilligan | BradyB. | BradyB. |
| KPEJ FOX | 8 | 5 | 5 | 8 | 3 | Consumer | W.Minist | F.Hardin | Consumer | Fox News Sunday | | Odessa | FaithAve | Rain | Consumer | Consumer | Racing |
| KMLM IND | 11 | 11 | 12 | 11 | 11 | (5:00) Southwest | | Walking | LifeBynd | In Touch Ministries | | Zion | Day Disc. | R/Manusc | HaYesod | Nueva Vida | |
| KWES NBC | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | Havas | Secrets | Mercury | Paid | Sunday Today (N) | | Meet the Press | | First Baptist Church | | NHL Hockey (L) | |
| KPBT PBS | 13 | 13 | | 13 | 8 | C.George | Cat/ Hat | Peg + Cat | DinoTrain | D.Tiger | SuperWI | Sid | Wild K. | Arthur | Speaks | WordGirl | Company |
| KUPB UNI | 4 | 4 | | 4 | 16 | Conexion | Mercury | Para volver a amar | | La hora pico | | Al punto | | Tras la Verdad | | Republica deportiva | |
| KOSA MNT | 16 | 16 | | 16 | | JTV | JTV Direct | Bob Vila | Homeown. | Green | Hazelton | O.House | HomeT. | Bucket | Game | Supercross (N) | |
| FLIX | 340 | 65 | | 165 | | ★★ A Simple Twist of Fate Steve Martin. | | | | ★★ But I'm a Cheerleader | | | ★★ Scenes From a Mall | | | Margot at the... | |
| HBO | 300 | 68 | 14 | 14 | | (5:15) One Day | | Mama Jessica Chastain. | | | Thrones | Boxing HBO After Dark | | | | 24/7 | Movie |
| HBO2 | 302 | 69 | 15 | 101 | 23 | (5:00) Pure Count... | | Gloria: In Her Words | | (:05) ★★ The Great Gatsby Leonardo DiCaprio. | | | | | Parental Guidance ('12, Com) | | |
| HBOS | 304 | 70 | 16 | 102 | | (5:30) Chasing Mavericks | | | ★★ Cloud Atlas ('12, Adv) Halle Berry, Jim Broadbent, Tom Hanks. | | | | | | (:25) ★★★ Stay | | |
| MAX | 380 | 71 | 17 | 120 | 24 | (5:25) Near Dark | | (:05) ★★ New Year's Eve | | | | (:10) ★★★★ Pitch Perfect Anna Kendrick. | | | | (:05) True Lies | |
| MAX2 | 382 | 72 | 18 | 122 | | (:10) ★ Simon Sez | | | (:40) ★★ The Sentinel Kiefer Sutherland. | | | | ★★ The Conjuring | | | (:20) Battleship | |
| PLEX | | | 96 | | | ★★★ Dear God ('96, Com) Greg Kinnear. | | | | (:55) The Man in the Moon | | | (:40) ★★★ Summer's End | | | | Movie |
| SHOW | 320 | 66 | 19 | 140 | 25 | (5:00) The Imposs... | | ★★ Notting Hill ('99, Rom) Hugh Grant. | | | | (:05) ★★★★ People Like Us Chris Pine. | | | | Byzantium | |
| TMC | 336 | 67 | 22 | 155 | 26 | (5:45) ★★★ The Color of Money | | | | ★ The Ghost Writer Ewan McGregor. | | | | (:10) ★★★★ Silver Linings Playbook | | | |
| A&E | 27 | 32 | 28 | 35 | 47 | C.Minds "Middle Man" | | Criminal Minds | | Criminal Minds | | Criminal Minds | | Criminal Minds | | Bates Motel "Caleb" | |
| AMC | 40 | 21 | 23 | 42 | 51 | Dead "Infected" | | Dead "Isolation" | | Dead "Indifference" | | Dead "Internment" | | Dead "Live Bait" | | Dead "Dead Weight" | |
| BET | 58 | 26 | | 40 | | (5:00) BET Inspiration | | | | Bobby Jones Gospel | | ★ Seventeen Again ('00, Fam) Tahj Mowry. | | | | | Movie |
| BRAVO | 65 | 63 | | 41 | | Flipping Out | | Online Dating Ritual | | Watch | Chasing | Real Housewives | | Real Housewives | | Beverly Hills | |
| CNBC | 46 | 45 | | 39 | 72 | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid |
| CNN | 43 | 24 | 51 | 30 | 56 | NewDay | Sanjay | New Day | Politics | State of the Union | | Fareed Zakaria GPS | | Reliable Sources | | State of the Union | |
| DISC | 50 | 20 | 31 | 24 | 42 | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | States of Bacon | | Bacon (N) | Bacon (N) | Deep Fry "Texas Fair" | | Alaska | Alaska |
| DISNEY | 56 | 27 | 36 | 25 | 36 | Callie | McStuffins | (:55) Jake | Sofia 1st | Austin | Jessie | Austin | Liv/Mad | Austin | Liv/Mad | Dog Blog | Dog Blog |
| ESPN | 32 | 29 | 48 | 31 | 30 | SportsCenter | | SportsCenter | | OLines | Report | SportsCenter | | SportsCenter | | NCAA Basketball | |
| ESPN2 | 34 | 28 | 49 | 32 | 31 | College Gameday | | Fishing | | SportsCenter | | OLines | Report | College Gameday | | SportsCenter | |
| FAMILY | 53 | 54 | 34 | 42 | 33 | Melissa | ★★★ Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire ('05, Adv) Daniel Radcliffe. | | | | | | | Harry Potter & the Order of the Phoenix | | | |
| FNC | 45 | 58 | 53 | 23 | 55 | (5:00) FOX & Friends Sunday | | | | | | News HQ | Housecall | Media Buzz | | America's News HQ | |
| FOOD | 64 | 59 | 27 | 68 | 54 | Ray's... "Double Take" | | Table | Barefoot | Pioneer | Southern | Heart (N) | Giada | King (N) | Big Bite | The Kitchen | |
| FSSW | 37 | 43 | 50 | 45 | 29 | Fishing | Outdoors | Championship Spot. | | Paid | Paid | NCAA Softball UT at El Paso vs Tulsa | | | | Courtside | Dodgeb. |
| FX | 31 | 31 | 59 | 64 | 69 | ★★ Spider-Man 2 ('04, Act) Kirsten Dunst, Tobey Maguire. | | | | | | (:10) ★★ Spider-Man 3 ('07, Act) Kirsten Dunst, Tobey Maguire. | | | | | |
| HALLMARK | 54 | 49 | 58 | | 34 | Lucy | I Love Lucy | Lucy | Lucy | G. Girls | G. Girls | G. Girls | G. Girls | G. Girls | G. Girls | A Crush on You | |
| HGTV | 63 | 50 | 26 | 48 | 44 | Property | Property | Property | Property | Property | Property | Property | Property | Property Brothers | | Love It or List It | |
| HISTORY | 71 | 62 | 29 | 50 | 43 | Marvels "Rocks" | | No Man's Land | | No Man's Land | | No Man's Land | | American Pickers | | Pickers "Trading Up" | |
| LIFETIME | 28 | 25 | 25 | 28 | 48 | In Touch Ministries | | Amazing | David Jer. | J.Osteen | Paid | Preacher | | Bring It! | | Bring It! | |
| MSNBC | 47 | 51 | | 49 | 73 | Hardball | Business | Up With Steve Kornacki | | | | Melissa Harris-Perry | | | | Weekends-Alex Witt | |
| NBCSN | 38 | 39 | | | | Match of the Day | | Live | EPL Soccer Everton vs. Fulham (L) | | | | Live | EPL Soccer Tottenham Hotspur vs. Liverpool (L) | | | |
| NICK | 55 | 34 | 39 | 34 | 37 | Fanboy | Mega | Mega | Sponge | Sponge | Sponge | Sponge | Sponge | Ninja | Sponge | Kids' Choice Awards | |
| SPIKE | 30 | 22 | 55 | 53 | 58 | Paid Program | | Paid Program | | Power | Power | Power | Power | Contract | Contract | Contract | Contract |
| SYFY | 66 | 64 | 41 | 57 | 67 | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | Twilight | Creature Shop | | ★ Wolvesbayne ('09, Fant) Jeremy London. | | | | Movie |
| TBS | 25 | 11 | 44 | 66 | 41 | Married | Cougar T | Friends | Friends | Friends | Friends | ★★ American Wedding Jason Biggs. | | | | I Love You, Man | |
| TCM | 41 | 61 | 24 | 63 | 66 | (5:00) Weekend at the Waldorf | | | ★★ Kissin' Cousins | | | (:15) ★★★ Million Dollar Mermaid | | | | (:15) Lady From ... | |
| TELE | 20 | 8 | 10 | 20 | | Pagado | Pagado | Raggs | Raggs | Noodle | LazyTown | Pagado | Pagado | Pagado | Op. Repo | Enfoque | Movie |
| TLC | 51 | 33 | 32 | 38 | 52 | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | Say Yes | Say Yes | Say Yes | Say Yes | Say Yes | Say Yes | Say Yes | Say Yes |
| TNT | 24 | 23 | 40 | 26 | 50 | Law & Order "I.D." | | Law & Order | | LawOrder "Survivor" | | Law & Order | | Law & Order | | Law & Order | |
| TVLAND | 49 | 48 | 35 | 54 | 35 | (:10) G.Girls | (:50) G. Girls | (:25) Golden Girls | | Hot In | SoulMan | Roseanne | (:35) Rose. | (:10) Rose. | (:50) Rose. | (:25) The Cosby Show | |
| USA | 26 | 30 | 42 | 27 | 49 | Paid Program | | Paid Program | | Sirens | Sirens | Suits "Heartburn" | | NCIS | | NCIS | |
| WGN | 19 | 18 | | | | Zacharia | Facts | Key David | Paid | ★★ Brother Bear Joaquin Phoenix. | | | | In Heat of Night | | In Heat of Night | |

## SUNDAY AFTERNOON — MARCH 30, 2014

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| | G | S | R | C | W | 12 PM | 12:30 | 1 PM | 1:30 | 2 PM | 2:30 | 3 PM | 3:30 | 4 PM | 4:30 | 5 PM | 5:30 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| KMID ABC | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | IndyCar Auto Racing Grand Prix of St. Petersburg (L) | | | | | | News | Paid |
| KOSA CBS | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | Road Final Four (L) | | NCAA Basketball Division I Tournament (L) | | | | | NCAA Basketball Division I Tournament (L) | | | | |
| KWWT CW | 5 | 14 | | 5 | 14 | BradyB. | BradyB. | The Love Boat | | Remington Steele | | St. Frisco "Deadline" | | Cannon | | The Rockford Files | |
| KPEJ FOX | 8 | 5 | 5 | 8 | 3 | (11:30) NASCAR Auto Racing STP 500 Site: Martinsville Speedway -- Martinsville, Va. (L) | | | | | | | | Outdoors | HomeT. | Consumer | Consumer |
| KMLM IND | 11 | 11 | 12 | 11 | 11 | Biblical | Mani Erfan | Dr. Will | Sal. | Light of the Southwest Best of Week | | | | J.McGee | Dollars | House Call | Dr. R.B. |
| KWES NBC | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | (11:00) NHL Hockey Boston vs Philadelphia (L) | | | | PGA Golf Valero Texas Open Site: TPC San Antonio (L) | | | | | | Inside Ed. | News |
| KPBT PBS | 13 | 13 | | 13 | 8 | Cyberch. | Travel Kids | Getaways | BioCent | Art | Beads | Sewing | Knitting | Nova "Cold Case JFK" | | News. | W.Week |
| KUPB UNI | 4 | 4 | | 4 | 16 | Republic | Fútbol | MFL Fútbol Tigres de la UANL vs. Toluca (L) | | | | El Chavo Animado | | Desconocida | | Humor es | Noticiero |
| KOSA MNT | 16 | 16 | | 16 | | Paid | Paid | Green | Homes | CARS.TV | AmAthlete | The FBI Files | | RedCarpe | Insider | Access Hollywood | |
| FLIX | 340 | 65 | | 165 | | Movie | (:35) ★★★ Sling Blade ('95, Dra) Billy Bob Thorton. | | | | | ★★ Powder ('95, Fant) Mary Steenburgen. | | | | ★★ AntiTrust | |
| HBO | 300 | 68 | 14 | 14 | | (11:45) The Three Stooges | | | Bill Maher | | ★ Rebound Martin Lawrence. | | | Wrath of the Titans | | | Movie |
| HBO2 | 302 | 69 | 15 | 101 | 23 | (:20) ★★ Prometheus ('12, Adv) Noomi Rapace. | | | | Doll&Em | Thrones | (:45) Boxing | | | | | Making |
| HBOS | 304 | 70 | 16 | 102 | | (:10) ★★ War of the Worlds Tom Cruise. | | | | StoneCar | The Crash Reel Mason Aguirre. | | | | (:25) ★★ Admission Tina Fey. | | |
| MAX | 380 | 71 | 17 | 120 | 24 | (11:05) ★★★ True Lies | | | Broken City Mark Wahlberg. | | | (:20) ★★ There's Something About Mary | | | | (:20) Jack the Gi... | |
| MAX2 | 382 | 72 | 18 | 122 | | (11:20) ★★ Battleship | | | (:40) ★★ Goldeneye Pierce Brosnan. | | | | (:50) ★★ Tomorrow Never Dies | | | | Movie |
| PLEX | | | 96 | | | (11:25) Canvas | | (:10) ★★★ Dear God Greg Kinnear. | | | | (:05) ★★★ Annie ('82, Fam) Carol Burnett. | | | | (:15) Summer's E... | |
| SHOW | 320 | 66 | 19 | 140 | 25 | (11:00) Byzantium | | Quartet Maggie Smith. | | | (:45) Alex Cross ('12, Act) Matthew Fox. | | | | ★★★★ The Impossible | | |
| TMC | 336 | 67 | 22 | 155 | 26 | (:15) The Perks of Being a Wallflower | | | | (:10) ★ The Ghost Writer Ewan McGregor. | | | | (:20) ★★ Deliver Us From Eva | | | |
| A&E | 27 | 32 | 28 | 35 | 47 | Bates "Check-Out" | | Storage | Storage | Storage | Storage | Storage | Storage | Storage | Storage | Duck Dy | Duck Dy |
| AMC | 40 | 21 | 23 | 42 | 51 | Dead "Too Far Gone" | | Dead "After" | | Dead "Inmates" | | Dead "Claimed" | | Walking Dead "Still" | | Dead "Alone" | |
| BET | 58 | 26 | | 40 | | (11:30) ★ The Longshots Ice Cube. | | | | ★★ Big Momma's House Martin Lawrence. | | | | | ★★ Daddy's Little Girls | | |
| BRAVO | 65 | 63 | | 41 | | Beverly Hills | | Housewives Atlanta | | Housewives Atlanta | | Housewives Atlanta | | Housewives Atlanta | | Housewives Atlanta | |
| CNBC | 46 | 45 | | 39 | 72 | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid | Paid |
| CNN | 43 | 24 | 51 | 30 | 56 | Fareed Zakaria GPS | | CNN Newsroom | | Your Money | | CNN Newsroom | | CNN Newsroom | | CNN Newsroom | |
| DISC | 50 | 20 | 31 | 24 | 42 | Alaska | Buy Alaska | Redwood Kings | | Fast N' Loud | | Fast N' Loud | | Fast N' Loud | | Lords of Car Hoards | |
| DISNEY | 56 | 27 | 36 | 25 | 36 | Dog Blog | Liv Maddie | Liv/Mad | GoodLuck | GoodLuck | GoodLuck | I Didn't | I Didn't | Austin | Austin | Austin | Austin |
| ESPN | 32 | 29 | 48 | 31 | 30 | (11:00) NCAA Basketb. | | SportsC. | ATP Tennis World Masters (L) | | | | | PBA Bowling | | | Tonight |
| ESPN2 | 34 | 28 | 49 | 32 | 31 | SportsCenter | | NCAA | NCAA Basketball Division I Tournament (L) | | | | NCAA Basketball Division I Tournament (L) | | | | NCAA |
| FAMILY | 53 | 54 | 34 | 42 | 33 | (10:00) Harry Pot... | | ★★★ Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince ('09, Adv) Daniel Radcliffe. | | | | | | | Harry Potter & the Deathly... | | |
| FNC | 45 | 58 | 53 | 23 | 55 | America's News HQ | | Fox News | | Journal E. | News HQ | Healthy | Housecall | Media Buzz | | Fox News | |
| FOOD | 64 | 59 | 27 | 68 | 54 | Southern | Pioneer | Buy This | Diners... | Save My Bakery | | M. Diners | M. Diners | Diners, Drive-Ins | | WorstCooks | |
| FSSW | 37 | 43 | 50 | 45 | 29 | Game365 | Dumbest | Sports Unlimited | | NCAA Baseball Texas vs. Texas Tech (L) | | | | | | Champions Tennis | |
| FX | 31 | 31 | 59 | 64 | 69 | (:15) Fantastic Four: Rise of the Silver ... | | | | (:25) ★★★ Iron Man 2 ('10, Act) Don Cheadle, Robert Downey Jr.. | | | | | | (:05) ★★★ Thor | |
| HALLMARK | 54 | 49 | 58 | | 34 | (11:00) A Crush on... | | The Sweeter Side of Life Kathryn Morris. | | | | ★★ Meet My Mom Lori Loughlin. | | | | Just Desserts | |
| HGTV | 63 | 50 | 26 | 48 | 44 | Bargain | Bargain | Bargain | Bargain | Bargain | Bargain | Bargain | Bargain | Bargain | Bargain | House | House |
| HISTORY | 71 | 62 | 29 | 50 | 43 | American Pickers | | American Pickers | | American Pickers | | American Pickers | | Pickers "Train Wreck" | | American Pickers | |
| LIFETIME | 28 | 25 | 25 | 28 | 48 | Bring It! | | Bring It! | | A Mother's Rage ('13, Dra) Lori Loughlin. | | | | Zoe Gone (2014, Thriller) | | | |
| MSNBC | 47 | 51 | | 49 | 73 | (11:00) Alex Witt | | Meet the Press | | MSNBC News Live | | Disrupt | | Caught on Camera | | Caught on Camera | |
| NBCSN | 38 | 39 | | | | GoalZone | Match of the Day | | F1 Auto Racing Grand Prix of Malaysia Site: Sepang Circuit | | | | | F1 Extra | S. Vettel | ISU Speed Skating | |
| NICK | 55 | 34 | 39 | 34 | 37 | Choice | Sam & Cat | Sponge | Sponge | Sponge | Sponge | Sponge | Sponge | SpongeBob | | Sam, Cat | Sam, Cat |
| SPIKE | 30 | 22 | 55 | 53 | 58 | Bar Rescue | | Bar Rescue | | Bar Rescue | | Bar Rescue | | Bar Rescue | | Bar Rescue | |
| SYFY | 66 | 64 | 41 | 57 | 67 | (11:30) Red: Werewolf Hunter | | | ★★ Underworld: Evolution | | | | ★★ Underworld: Rise of the Lycans | | | | Movie |
| TBS | 25 | 11 | 44 | 66 | 41 | (11:00) I Love You,... | | ★★ Hot Tub Time Machine John Cusack. | | | | ★★ Blades of Glory Will Ferrell. | | | | Anchorman: Th... | |
| TCM | 41 | 61 | 24 | 63 | 66 | (11:15) Lady From ... | | ★★★★ Anastasia Ingrid Bergman. | | | | ★★★ Topkapi ('64, Com) Peter Ustinov. | | | | (:15) Quentin D... | |
| TELE | 20 | 8 | 10 | 20 | | (11:30) Iron Man Robert Downey Jr.. | | | | Iron Man 2 ('10, Act) Robert Downey Jr.. | | | | | Op. Repo | Megamente | |
| TLC | 51 | 33 | 32 | 38 | 52 | The Little Couple | | Amer. Gypsy Wedd | | Amer. Gypsy Wedd | | Amer. Gypsy Wedd | | Amer. Gypsy Wedd | | Amer. Gypsy Wedd | |
| TNT | 24 | 23 | 40 | 26 | 50 | Law & Order | | ★★ Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest Johnny Depp. | | | | | | Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of... | | | |
| TVLAND | 49 | 48 | 35 | 54 | 35 | Cosby | Cosby | Cosby | Cosby | BradyB. | BradyB. | BradyB. | BradyB. | Gilligan | Gilligan | Gilligan | Gilligan |
| USA | 26 | 30 | 42 | 27 | 49 | NCIS "Psych Out" | | NCIS "Need to Know" | | NCIS "The Tell" | | NCIS "The Good Son" | | NCIS | | NCIS "Rekindled" | |
| WGN | 19 | 18 | | | | In Heat of Night | | Home Videos | | Home Videos | | Home Videos | | Home Videos | | Home Videos | |

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| | G | S | R | C | W | 6 PM | 6:30 | 7 PM | 7:30 | 8 PM | 8:30 | 9 PM | 9:30 | 10 PM | 10:30 | 11 PM | 11:30 |
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| KMID ABC | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | America's Funniest Home Videos (N) | | Once Upon a Time "Quiet Minds" (N) | | Resurrection "Us Against the World" (N) | | Revenge "Addiction" (N) | | KMID News | (:35) White Collar | | (:35) Paid Program |
| KOSA CBS | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 60 Minutes | | The Amazing Race "Down and Dirty" (N) | | The Good Wife "The Last Call" (N) | | The Mentalist "Violets" (N) | | CBS 7 News | (:35) The Wire | (:05) Madness | (:35) The Closer |
| KWWT CW | 5 | 14 | | 5 | 14 | Kojak | | Columbo A seemingly bumbling detective solves murders. | | | M*A*S*H | Thriller | | The Alfred Hitchcock Hour | | The Fugitive | |
| KPEJ FOX | 8 | 5 | 5 | 8 | 3 | Bob's Burger (N) | American Dad (N) | TheSimpsons (N) | Family Guy (N) | Cosmos: Odyssey "A Sky Full of Ghosts" (N) | | Big Bang Theory | Big Bang Theory | Modern "My Hero" | Modern Family | Jack Van Impe | Consumer Corner |
| KMLM IND | 11 | 11 | 12 | 11 | 11 | Shepherd's Heart | | Walking | Dr. Rik Wadge | Light of the Southwest | | | | Zola Levitt | Update News | Day of Discovery | Dollars & Sense |
| KWES NBC | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | The Voice (N) | | DreamBuilders "Mid-Century Modern" (N) | | Believe "Defection" (N) | | Crisis "What Was Done to You?" (N) | | News-West 9 | Country Reporter | Paid Program | Whacked Out |
| KPBT PBS | 13 | 13 | | 13 | 8 | Nature "What Plants Talk About" | | Call the Midwife (N) | | Masterpiece Classic "Mr. Selfridge" Agnes returns from training in Paris. (N) | | | | Austin City "Bonnie Raitt/ Mavis Staples" | | Woodsongs "Over the Rhine" | |
| KUPB UNI | 4 | 4 | | 4 | 16 | Aqui y Ahora | | Nuestra Belleza Latina | | | | Sal y pimienta | | Perspectiva | Noticiero Univision | Tras la Verdad | |
| KOSA MNT | 16 | 16 | | 16 | | Ent. Tonight | | Burn Notice | | The Closer | | Private Practice | | 30 Rock | Sunny | Office | Trobador |
| FLIX | 340 | 65 | | 165 | | (5:00) AntiTrust | | ★★ Cocktail Tom Cruise. | | | (:45) ★★★ Born on the Fourth of July Tom Cruise. | | | | | (:10) The Best Man | |
| HBO | 300 | 68 | 14 | 14 | | (5:45) Mama Jessica Chastain. | | | ★★★ The Heat ('13, Com) Sandra Bullock. | | | | Vice | The Hangover Part III | | | (:45) Vice |
| HBO2 | 302 | 69 | 15 | 101 | 23 | Bill Maher | | ★★ The Great Gatsby ('13, Dra) Leonardo DiCaprio. | | | | | ★★ Prometheus ('12, Adv) Noomi Rapace. | | | | (:35) 24/ 7 |
| HBOS | 304 | 70 | 16 | 102 | | (:15) The Incredible Burt Wonderstone | | | | ★★ Gangster Squad ('13, Act) Sean Penn. | | ★★ Cloud Atlas ('12, Adv) Tom Hanks. | | | | | |
| MAX | 380 | 71 | 17 | 120 | 24 | (5:20) Jack the Gi... | | (:15) ★★ Big Momma's House 2 | | | | ★★★ The Dark Knight Rises Anne Hathaway. | | | | | (:45) Zane |
| MAX2 | 382 | 72 | 18 | 122 | | (5:50) ★★ The World Is Not Enough | | | | ★★ Die Another Day Pierce Brosnan. | | | | (:15) Hot Line (Adult) | | | Movie |
| PLEX | | | 96 | | | (5:15) Summer's E... | | ★★ The Man in the Moon | | | (:45) ★★★ Dear God Greg Kinnear. | | | | (:40) ★★★ Canvas | | |
| SHOW | 320 | 66 | 19 | 140 | 25 | Movie | House Lies | Shameless | | Shameless "Emily" | | Lies | Lies | Shameless "Emily" | | Shameless "Emily" | |
| TMC | 336 | 67 | 22 | 155 | 26 | (:10) The Words ('12, Dra) Bradley Cooper. | | | | ★★★★ Silver Linings Playbook | | | | (:05) ★★★ Jarhead Jake Gyllenhaal. | | | |
| A&E | 27 | 32 | 28 | 35 | 47 | Duck Dy | Duck Dy | Duck Dy | Duck Dy | Duck Dynasty | | Duck Dy | Duck Dy | Duck Dy | Duck Dy | Duck Dy | Duck Dy |
| AMC | 40 | 21 | 23 | 42 | 51 | Dead "The Grove" | | Walking Dead "Us" | | Dead "A" (N) | | The Talking Dead (N) | | Walking Dead "A" | | Comic Bo | GameAms |
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He will occupy the pivotal second ranking position at UTPB and will work closely with President Watts. He will be reponsible for the administration, coordination and development of academic affairs and student services.

"Dr. Heimmermann is an outstanding choice for this position," said David Watts, president of UTPB. "He brings with him broad experience in higher education and will be an important voice as we continue our trajectory toward top-tier academic achievement."

Heimmerrman was selected following a nationwide search that began in October of 2013. The search committee considered numerous candidates and interviewed three finalists. Faculty, staff and students were invited to meet each candidate and provide input.

He succeeds William Fannin, who has served in the position since July, 1996.

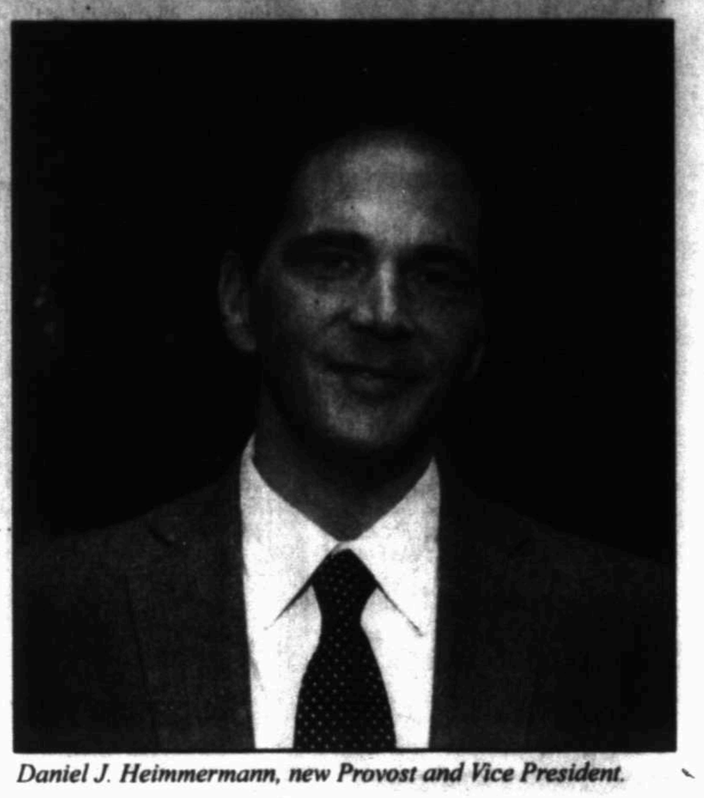
Heimmermann currently serves as Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Mississippi University for Women. Before that, he was Dean of the College of Liberal Arts at The University of Texas at Brownsville (UTB).

A graduate of the University of Wisconsin in Oshkosh, Heimmermann received both his MA and PhD from Marquette University where his scholarly focus was on early-modern French history and the French Revolution. He is the author of numerous scholarly publications including a forthcoming book, *Work, Regulation, and Identity in Provincial France* (Palgrave Macmillan).

He began his career as a member of the faculty in the Department of History and Political Science at the University of North Alabama and was appointed chair of the department in 2002.

Among his professional associations are the American Historical Association, the Western Society for French History, the Society for French Historical Studies and the Consortium on the Revolutionary Era.

"My family and I are thrilled to return to Texas and the UT system," said Daniel Heimmermann. "I am greatly looking forward to working with President Watts and the talented and dedicated faculty and staff of UTPB.



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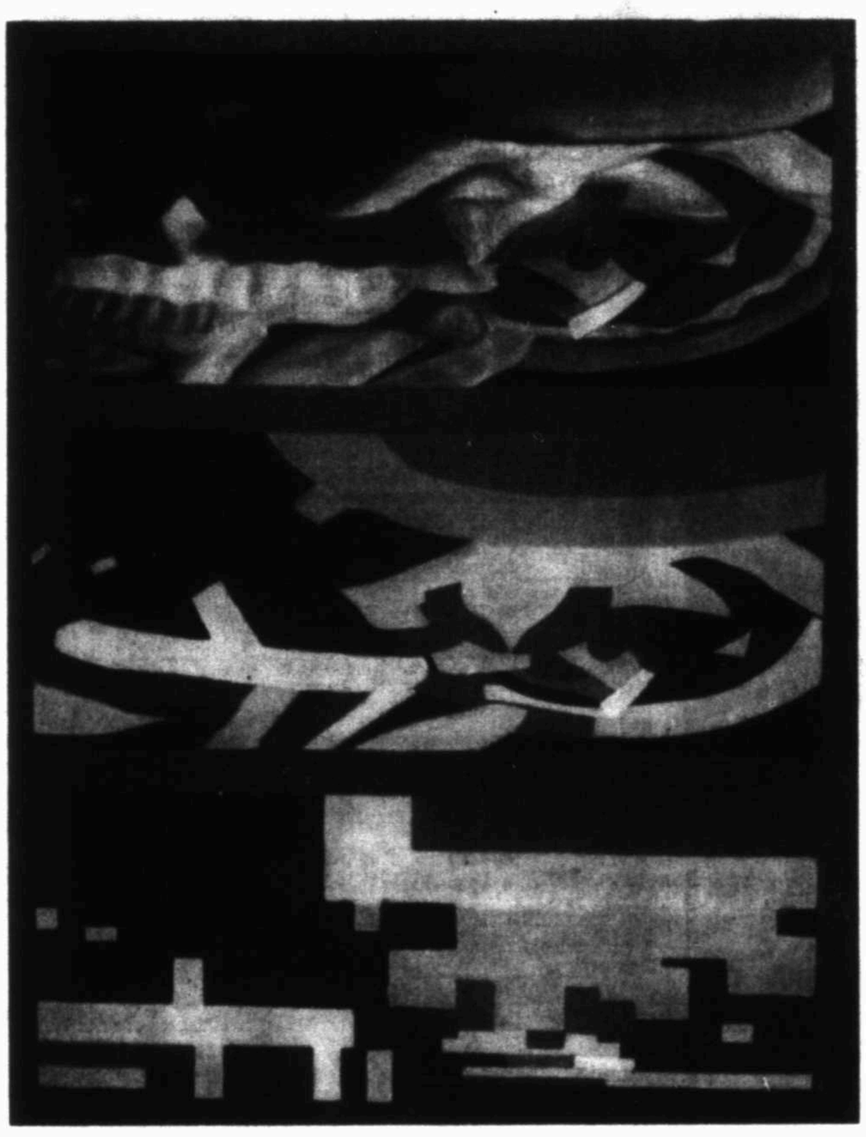

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# SEISMIC SHIFTS

## Technological advances have geophysics industry changing its ways

By Mella McEwen
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Just as technological advances like horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing has transformed the oil and gas production industry by unlocking unconventional resources, it is transforming geophysics and the seismic industry.

With the growth of unconventional shale plays, Steve Jumper, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Dawson Geophysical, said Dawson's services are now coming later in the cycle. He discussed changes his industry is experiencing with members of the Natural Gas Producer's Association recently.

About 15 years ago, he said, "we were an exploration tool. Operators would hire us to shoot seismic over areas they felt were prospective. "Now, he said, seismic is a later part of the cycle because there is an ongoing drilling program as operators move to hold leases.

Unconventional resources like shale oil and shale gas have also shifted geophysical applications, Jumper said. "Today we're tied more to horizontal drilling and it's more where not to drill as opposed to where to drill," he explained.

It's more geohazard avoidance, he continued, ensuring activity doesn't cause harm or disrupt.

Thanks to a surge in the number of channels collecting seismic data, the denser information provided by those channels and the richer analysis, Jumper said, "our ability to help exploration companies understand things like fractures, rock fabric and rock texture. Over time I see a shift to more than avoidance to more information about rock fabric and rock texture. We're pretty early in that cycle."

When Decker Dawson formed the company 62 years ago, Jumper noted, he began with one crew and 48 channels. When Jumper joined the company in 1985, six crews were utilizing 120 channels. Today 12 crews utilize over 150,000 channels, he said. A crew using 10,000 channels is not uncommon, he said, pointing out that the last time Dawson was so active in the region, crews typically used 5,000 channels.

"That means one, the size of the survey has gotten bigger. It used to be 15, 20, 25 square miles. Now it's 150 up to 300 square miles. We still like the smaller areas, too, we have a good mix. Two, the coverage, the number of channels and energy sources per square mile, the recording density has increased. So you have larger areas and more density, providing higher resolution data and that data lends itself to more high-end analysis."

Crews can also utilize new cableless recording technology, recording equipment that operates autonomously and is synchronized to GPS time clocks to record continuously throughout the day and then shut off. This technology, Jumper said, is most useful in urban areas, agricultural areas or areas with the poten-

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## Lario to use $600 million credit facility to expand Basin footprint

By Mella McEwen
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Long a Permian Basin presence, Denver's Lario Oil & Gas Co. now has a significant capital base to expand its operations in the area.

The company has just entered into a $600 million credit facility with Wells Fargo Securities LLC, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC and a syndicated group of banks that includes Bank of America, US Bank, BB&T, BBVA Compass, Comerica, and Regions Bank, that will allow Lario to step up drilling in the Permian Basin, the Bakken/Three Forks and Mid-Continent.

"We've been in Midland since the early 1940s and it's still a core asset," said Ryan P. O'Shaughnessy, executive vice president and chief strategy officer.

While the Bakken has had more growth, O'Shaughnessy said the Permian Basin is a legacy, steady asset that offers tremendous growth potential, and the credit facility gives the company the flexibility to drill wells, make acquisitions and form joint ventures in those three producing regions.

"Most of our growth has been horizontally driven in the Bakken, and we hope to take those lessons and apply them in the Midland Basin," he said. "Call it concept arbitrage that we'll be applying to the Midland Basin," where Lario has its holdings, along with some in the Delaware Basin.

He said he hopes the company can replicate some of the horizontal successes being reported by other producers, such as Pioneer Natural Resources.

The Permian Basin, O'Shaughnessy said, "is still in the first inning," and there will be success developing additional zones.

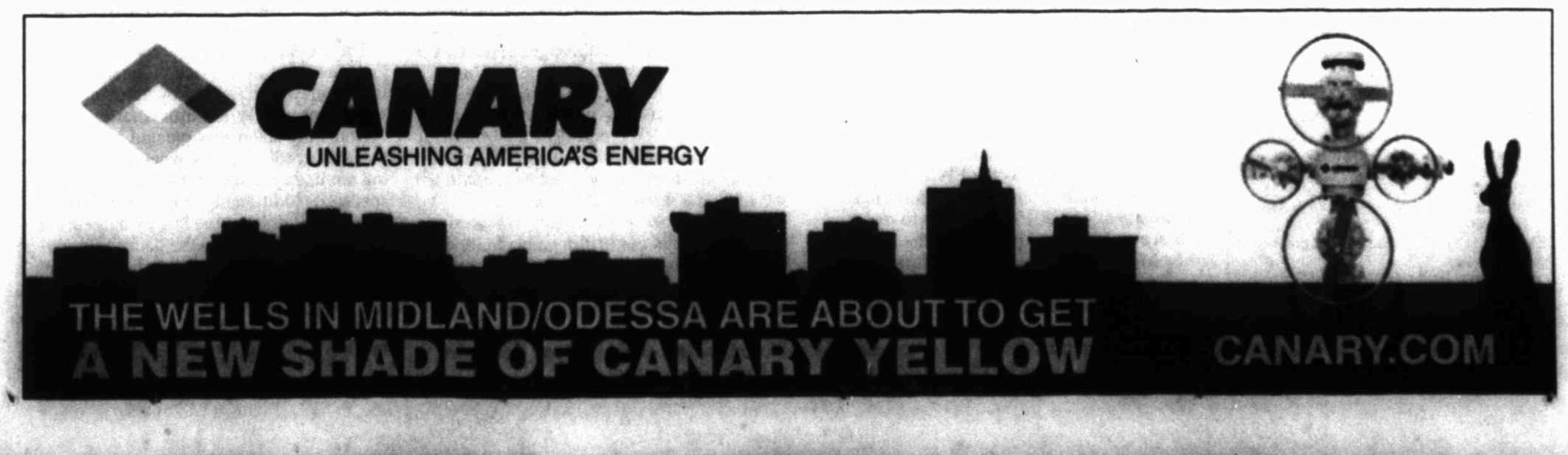
"We see the Permian Basin as one of the better opportunities in our holdings with horizontal shale tight rock formations and multiple benches to go after," he said. Right now horizontal drilling is Wolfcamp-driven, but he said that formation is not the only opportunity, there are others like the Spraberry.

The issue, he explained, is that in the Permian Basin the land situation is more complicated in terms of land and mineral ownership allotments. "It will take more time, but we're already seeing a rising number of horizontal permits," he said.

Lario is a family-owned company founded in 1927.

Throughout its existence, O'Shaughnessy said, the company has "grabbed hold of the latest technology. Right now it's hydraulic fracturing and horizontal drilling, and we want to apply those in the Permian Basin."

"We want to grow production and we'll look at just about anything under the sun" in terms of drilling opportunities, acquisitions and joint ventures, he said.



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Water retention ponds are seen behind a gas flare, also known as a flare stack, in a 2013 aerial picture taken in the Eagle Ford Shale region near Karnes City.

# A dash of saltwater could make fracturing more palatable

**By Ryan Holeywell**
*Houston Chronicle*

HOUSTON — In a part of Texas where freshwater is especially precious, some oil and gas producers are learning to do without it in their hydraulic fracturing.

It's a dramatic advance, considering that fracturing — a big part of the technology behind the country's domestic energy boom — also requires about 2.5 million gallons of water per well, by some estimates, and takes a toll on water resources.

Houston-based Apache Corp. and others are turning to brackish water — slightly salty and unfit for human consumption — and other alternatives to freshwater as they try to figure out a different way to fracture.

"I think in areas where we have a lot of concentrated activity, it will become the norm," said Cal Cooper, Apache's director of emerging technology.

Apache hasn't used freshwater for its fracturing in Irion County, in the heart of West Texas' Permian Basin, since it started drilling there in 2012.

For a water-intensive industry, it's a major feat: Apache has drilled 109 wells in Irion County — all of which required fracturing — and has plans for more in 2014. "It's probably some of the most concentrated drilling that we have going on in Apache," Cooper said.

Hydraulic fracturing is a well completion process that involves injecting water, sand and chemicals under high pressure into a reservoir to free oil and gas from tight rocks.

In Irion County fracturing last year, Apache used 10 million barrels of brackish water and another 3.1 million barrels of what the industry calls produced water, which emerges from wells along with oil and gas.

The technique has reduced Apache's use of freshwater in the dry region, and it also makes financial sense, because trucking in freshwater is costly, and produced water has to be disposed of if it isn't recycled.

"It's really driven by availability and economics," Cooper said. "Contrary to what people imagine, West Texas is afloat in brackish water."

Brackish water comes from underground aquifers, often much deeper than freshwater. Today, Apache is among a number of energy producers and services companies experimenting with fracturing that doesn't require freshwater. They're being driven by the high cost of using and transporting freshwater, as well as increased pressure from critics who complain the water-intensive industry is exacerbating water scarcity.

Earlier this year, a report from Ceres, a Boston-based investor group that focuses on the environment, found that 28 percent of wells in the Eagle Ford of South Texas were in areas considered under "high" or "extreme" water stress. In the Permian Basin, 87 percent of wells were in such areas.

The energy industry accounts for less than 1 percent of statewide water use, according to a 2012 study by the Texas Water Development Board, but the rate is higher in some parts of the state, and fracturing is increasing.

Peter Galusky, a consulting engineer who works with exploration and production companies on water sourcing, said the industry historically has preferred hydraulic fracturing with freshwater because it was comparatively cheap and easy.

### Other sources

Today, the industry is experimenting with other sources of water. These include flowback, a portion of the liquid used in fracturing that comes up out of the well in the immediate aftermath of the process; produced water, which emerges at the wellhead along with oil and gas; and brackish water, found in underground aquifers, often much deeper than freshwater.

J.P. Nicot, a research scientist with the Bureau of Economic Geology at the University of Texas, said brackish water is the most promising of the three, because it's less complicated than recycling water that comes from existing oil wells.

Still, he cautions, brackish water isn't a silver bullet. Some small towns are considering desalinating brackish water for consumption, which would put the industry in competition with residents.

And brackish water isn't always easily accessible, Nicot said.

But it appears to hold promise. John Tintera, president of the Texas Water Recycling Association, said his organization doesn't track the number of companies that are using brackish or recycled water for fracturing.

### 'Good neighbors'

Anecdotally, however, it appears more companies are experimenting with the technology, said Tintera, a former executive director of the Texas Railroad Commission, which regulates the oil and gas industry in Texas.

He said companies are exploring the technology because they see potential cost savings and because they want to be good neighbors. "I think there's a growing recognition that, in all industries, everybody needs to play a role to avoid over-competition for what is, at this time, a limited resource," Tintera said.

### Two approaches

Companies are trying at least two approaches as they seek substitutes for freshwater fracturing.

One technique treats the alternative water to reduce substances in it that might interfere with fracturing chemicals.

Another tweaks the fracturing chemicals themselves so they work in liquids other than freshwater, said Walter Dale, strategic business manager for water solutions at Halliburton.

Meanwhile, state officials are working

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# *Job creators take cue from environmentalists*

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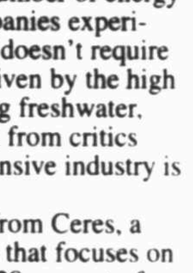

For years environmentalists have usurped individual private property rights and thwarted economic development. Now, thanks to Oklahoma Attorney General Scott Pruitt, it appears that the job creators may have finally learned something from the extreme tactics of groups, such as the Wild Earth Guardians and the Center for Biological Diversity (CBD), which for years have been using the courts to their advantage by filing lawsuits against the federal government.

On March 17, on behalf of the state of Oklahoma and the Domestic Energy Producers Alliance (DEPA), Pruitt filed a lawsuit against the federal government, specifically the U.S. Department of the Interior and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS). The lawsuit alleges the "FWS engaged in 'sue and settle' tactics when the agency agreed to settle a lawsuit with a national environmental group over the [Endangered Species Act] listing status of several animal species, including the lesser prairie chicken."

The lesser prairie chicken (LPC) is especially important, as the FWS is required — based on the conditions set forth in the settlement of a 2010 lawsuit — to make a determination, explicitly, on the LPC by Monday. A "threatened" listing would restrict the land use in the bird's 40-million-acre, five-state habitat: Oklahoma, Colorado, Texas, New Mexico and Kansas. The affected area includes private, state and federal lands — lands rich in energy resources, ranch and farm land-plus, municipal infrastructure, such as water pipelines and electric transmission.

Understanding the negative impact a listing would have on industry, states and the FWS have collaborated to develop a historic rangewide plan (RWP) to demonstrate that the LPC and its prairie habitat can be protected without listing it. The RWP includes habitat management goals and conservation practices to be applied throughout the LPC's range. According to a press release about the Oklahoma lawsuit, the cooperative effort has spent $26 million on the voluntary conservation plan. RWP enrollees are optimistic the FWS can cite the conservation commitment as justification for a decision not to list the LPC as a threatened species.

A DEPA spokesman states: "This designation could disrupt drilling and exploration on hundreds of thousands of very promising oil and gas lands in this part of the country." The CBD has made no secret of their disdain for oil and gas extraction and has filed many successful lawsuits specifically to block development.

Pruitt said, "The sue-and-settle timelines force the FWS to make determinations without a thorough review of the science. This violates the original statute requiring sound science before listing species."

Stephen Moore, formerly with the Wall Street Journal, said, "Under the Obama administration, the feds have entered into a consent agreement with the environmentalists to rush forward a judgment on an unprecedented number of species. A 2012 Chamber of Commerce study found record numbers of such 'sue and settle' cases under Obama."

The lawsuit is seeking "declaratory and injunctive relief for violations of the ESA." Moore reported: "The relief is intended to overturn designations of dozens of species added to the threatened or endangered list through the 'sue and settle' process."

The Oklahoma lawsuit asserted: "The Fish and Wildlife Service violated the Endangered Species Act by agreeing in its settlement with Wild Earth Guardians to not consider the statutorily created 'warranted but precluded' category when determining the listing status of the 251 candidate species." Additionally, the lawsuit states: "The FWS violated the law by agreeing to a truncated timeline to the decision-making process on the listing status of the 251 candidate species, essentially sidestepping the rule-making process."

Pruitt believes that "because these

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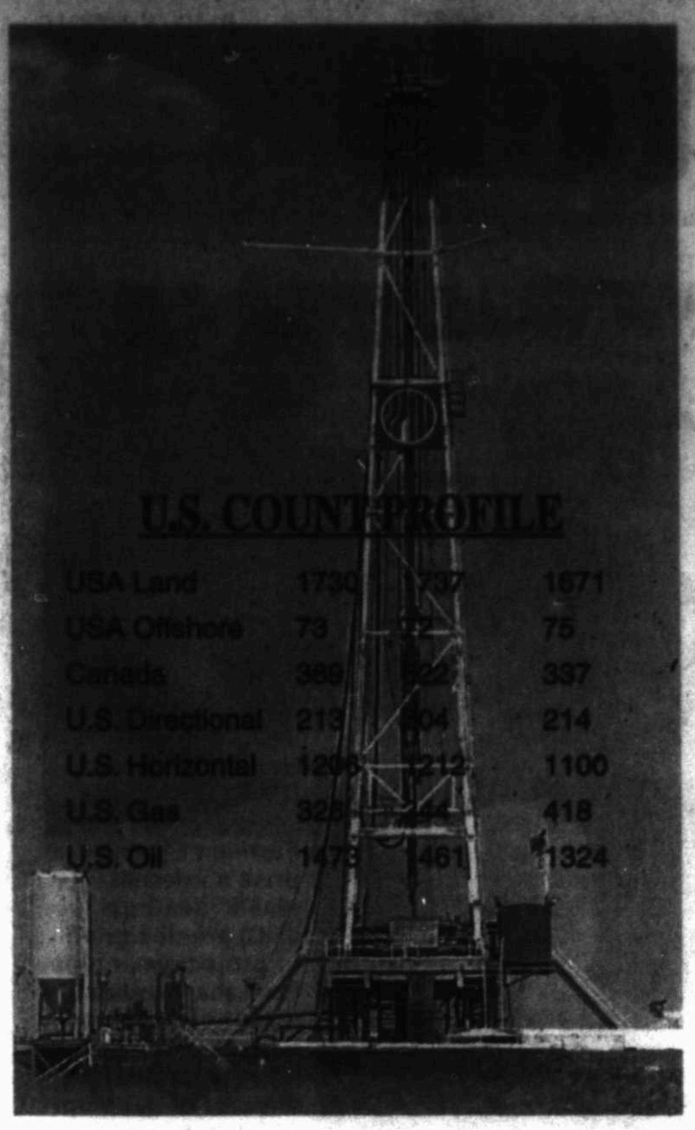

## MID-WEEK WTI AVERAGE PRICES

| | |
|---|---|
| **Posted** | $96.05 |
| **Flint Hills** | $96.75 |
| **Resources*** | |
| **Phillips 66** | $96.88 |
| **Plains*** | $96.75 |
| **Shell Trading** | $96.90 |
| **Sun*** | $96.75 |
| **NYMEX futures** | $99.57 |

*Net price without transportation charge
**Note:** Posted prices as of March 26, 2014

## PERMIAN BASIN RIG COUNTS

**Texas**

**DIST. #7C**

| | |
|---|---|
| Coke | 2 |
| Concho | 0 |
| Crockett | 7 |
| Irion | 15 |
| Kimble | 0 |
| McCulloch | 0 |
| Menard | 0 |
| Reagan | 23 |
| Runnels | 0 |
| Schleicher | 2 |
| Sutton | 0 |
| Terrell | 0 |
| Tom Green | 1 |
| Upton | 34 |

**DIST. #8**

| | |
|---|---|
| Andrews | 25 |
| Brewster | 0 |
| Crane | 3 |
| Culberson | 9 |
| Ector | 24 |
| Glasscock | 32 |
| Howard | 26 |
| Hudspeth | 0 |
| Jeff Davis | 0 |
| Loving | 19 |
| Martin | 37 |
| Midland | 36 |
| Mitchell | 2 |
| Pecos | 11 |
| Presidio | 0 |
| Reeves | 50 |
| Sterling | 2 |
| Ward | 21 |
| Winkler | 5 |

**DIST. #8A**

| | |
|---|---|
| Bailey | 0 |
| Borden | 4 |
| Cochran | 0 |
| Cottle | 0 |
| Crosby | 2 |
| Dawson | 4 |
| Dickens | 0 |
| Floyd | 0 |
| Gaines | 5 |
| Garza | 1 |
| Hale | 0 |
| Hockley | 2 |
| Kent | 1 |
| King | 1 |
| Lamb | 0 |
| Lubbock | 0 |
| Lynn | 1 |
| Motley | 0 |
| Scurry | 4 |
| Terry | 3 |
| Yoakum | 3 |
| **TEXAS TOTAL** | 415 |

**New Mexico**

| | |
|---|---|
| Chaves | 0 |
| Eddy | 48 |
| Lea | 31 |
| Roosevelt | 0 |
| N.M. TOTAL | 79 |

## WILDCATS

**Texas RRCD 8A**

**Lamb County**

CML EXPLORATION, LLC WILDCAT (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 VANN, 2173 FNL 467 FEL, SEC 67 BLK T, TA THOMSON SUR., A-233 8000', 2 NW SPADE

**New Mexico**

**Chaves County**

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado
San Jacinto 4 Fed #4
Wildcat; Sec 4 T15S R31E; 330/S & 330/W; 14 mi NW Maljamar; Rot 13152 Wolfcamp; API #30-005-29209

Mack Energy Corp.
Warthog State #1
Wildcat; Sec 12 T14S R28E; 1650/S & 990/E; 14 mi E Hagerman; Rot 3500 San Andres; API #30-005-64177

Mack Energy Corp.
Seaplane State #1
Wildcat; Sec 34 T14S R28E; 2310/N & 2310/E; 13 mi SE Hagerman; Rot 3450 San Andres; API #30-005-64176

**Curry County**

Alta Mesa Services LP
Pulliam Farms 27 P #1
Wildcat; Sec 27 T8N R35E; 358/S & 827/E; 15 mi E Wheatland; Rot 10300 Penn; API #30-009-20025

**Eddy County**

Devon Energy Production Company LP
Boss Hogg 15 St #1
Wildcat; Sec 15 T23S R26E; 175/N & 660/W; 7 mi NW Black River; Rot 11302 Bone Spring; API #30-015-41828

## SPOT NATURAL GAS PRICE PROFILE

**Current natural gas prices (price per MMBtu)**

| | First of the month price | Closing price 3/26/14 | Same period one year ago |
|---|---|---|---|
| **NYMEX future price** | $4.855 | $4.402 | $3.976 |
| **Composite Field Prices For Waha Hub** | $5.280 | $4.395 | $3.980 |
| **Composite Field Prices For Rocky Mountains** | $5.067 | $4.535 | $4.013 |
| **Composite Field Prices For Permian Basin** | $4.955 | $4.400 | $3.992 |
| **Composite Field Prices For San Juan Basin** | $5.150 | $4.420 | $3.990 |
| **Composite Field Prices For Midcontinent** | $5.145 | $4.420 | $4.068 |
| **Composite Field Prices For Gulf Coast** | $4.758 | $4.459 | $4.056 |


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## Protect your pipe with internal plastic coatings for the harshest conditions

**Whatever temperature** or corrosion the oilfield can throw at your pipe, Permian Enterprises has the right internal plastic coating to protect it.

For the harshest conditions (up to 350°F or with H S at 2-3 percent) there is IPC 2000. For temperatures up to 300°F and 6-8 percent concentrations of hydrogen sulfide, you will want IPC 1850. IPC 1505 is perfect for 250°F and IPC 101 is good for lower bottom hole temperatures.

Internal coatings do more than just protect against corrosion. Durable and smooth internal coatings increase fluid dynamics, speeding the flow of liquids and requiring less horsepower to move your payload. They also prevent paraffin from sticking to the pipe walls, keeping flowlines clear.

Among all its coating products Permian Enterprises has shipped over 150 million feet across the Permian Basin and elsewhere, with among the lowest failure rates in the industry. That means millions of feet of downhole tubulars keep working for years and years, saving clients huge amounts of money in repairs, downtime and lost production.

The company's Director of Development, Roy Pickett, says there are many reasons the IPC and Permian's other pipe coatings are so reliable. Before and after coating any pipe the Permian Enterprises team inspects it to see if it is able to be coated and afterwards if the coating is free of any flaws and or defects. Any defect could prevent the coating from adhering to the pipe, even in a tiny pinhole area, that could result in enough damage to destroy the pipe.

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That combination of the latest technology and human supervision brings producers some of the most reliable coatings in the business. Everyone on the Permian Enterprises team treats every customer as family. The company is locally owned and operated, so when you call you'll talk to an expert right here at home—no one needs to get an answer from Houston or elsewhere.

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The 170 local people at Permian Enterprises are looking forward to getting your pipe protected from the harshest downhole elements. The company has been doing this since 1948.

Permian Enterprise's internal plastic coatings (IPC) are designed to protect your pipe from the harshest downhole conditions. Roy Pickett, left, the company's director of development, helps make sure everything is done just right. Call 432-332-0903.

*Permian Enterprises, Ltd. is owned and operated in Odessa, Texas, in the heart of the Oil Patch. The phone number is 432-332-0903. Their web address is www.permianenterprises.com.*

Super Scrubber now offers a chemical-only treatment for produced water that cuts costs in half compared to traditional machinery-based methods. In this photo, the jar on the left contains raw produced water. In the center is water cleaned by a popular current method, and on the right is water treated by Super Scrubber's new option. To learn more call John May or Billy Rose at 580-4806.

## Super Scrubber introduces chemical-only produced water treatment

**Super Scrubber's** John May calls this new procedure the "H2S killer" because it uses chemicals mixed with water to strip hydrogen from sulfur. That leaves a harmless sodium sulfide solution, with the hydrogen atom attached to oxygen, simply creating more water. This removes the corrosive and deadly properties from H2S.

Produced water treated with this inexpensive chemical is suitable for use in waterfloods, at much less cost than other treatment methods.

There are many other uses for Super Scrubber's new treatment, but first it is important to note that it is done purely by injecting a chemical into the water supply. There are no huge machines to park at the well site and there is no heavy drain on remote power sources, as there is with currently popular treatment systems. And there is no need for producer personnel training or monitoring—everything is done by Super Scrubber.

Because this chemical acts as a surfactant, it breaks the bond of oil to other chemicals, enhancing oil's tendency to separate from water. That means producers can easily skim oil out of the water, increasing the useful production of a well or a field.

This feature alone makes Super Scrubber's treatment perfect for reducing production costs in tar sands such as those found in Canada and in the Cline Shale.

"Long-term use of this product in waterfloods could change the dynamic of the entire field, because it helps make oil more hydrophobic," May suggested. "It could also reduce H2S production in a field, once the treated water penetrates the flood zone widely."

In addition to breaking up H2S, the product reduces corrosion by drawing and binding free oxygen. Free oxygen corrodes by binding to other compounds to form sulfides, oxides and sulphates, all of which are highly corrosive. Removing oxygen also kills many aerobic bacteria that can cause sludge and do other damage. The product also readily binds to metal production components, leaving a microscopic layer of protection.

Its surfactant properties make this product perfect for breaking up sludge and dissolving paraffin in tanks, pits and other places sludge collects. It cleans BS&W and frac sand as well.

For a free demonstration you have two options. May is available to come to your site and demonstrate the product's usefulness. Or, if you are planning to attend the Midland Energy Expo April 14-15 at the Midland Horseshoe, you can see him there.

The company still offers the Super Scrubber system itself, which uses a strong surfactant to clean disposal or injection wells, reducing operating pressures and increasing efficiency. John May, Art Green and Billy Rose bought the company from founder C. J. Hensley in October of last year, and they are excited to add the water treatment product to the company's long-proven Super Scrubber system.

*Call John May or Billy Rose at Super Scrubber Systems, Inc., at 432-413-7153 or 432-580-4806.*

## UltraQuip equipment is Quad O compliant

**If you have** a Group 1 facility under the EPA Quad O emission control rules and are rushing to meet the April 15 compliance deadline, UltraQuip is ready to help you. They have a full line of vapor recovery units (VRUs) and wellhead compressors that meet guidelines.

Group 2 facilities have another year, until April 15 of 2015, but why wait? Any gas you recover can be sold into the transmission lines for a profit, so the sooner you start the sooner you make that extra money. Plus, you'll be helping reduce greenhouse gases. Depending on the conditions, your VRU could pay for itself in six months or less, after which that extra money goes right into the profit column.

Even without regulations, wellhead compressors benefit your wells by reducing pressure buildup that restricts the flow of oil and can allow additional oil production. This is another way, less direct but no less real, that a wellhead compressor actually pays for itself.

UltraQuip offers this equipment for sale or lease. If you have a location that needs a VRU but will be shut down soon after the deadline, rental may be for you. Otherwise, a purchase is a good idea.

When you get a VRU from UltraQuip they will take care of service, including changing oil and filters in the units.

These units were developed as the EPA rulings began to be written. They are manufactured in the oil patch at a facility just up the road in Oklahoma.

Driven by an electric motor, these units may require an onsite generator if grid power is not available. In that case you can rent or buy diesel generators from UltraQuip. They also offer generators that run on produced gas.

Group 1 is now boarding, with takeoff due on April 15, so talk to UltraQuip today to make sure you are in compliance with the rule—and prepare to get that formerly lost gas into the sales line.

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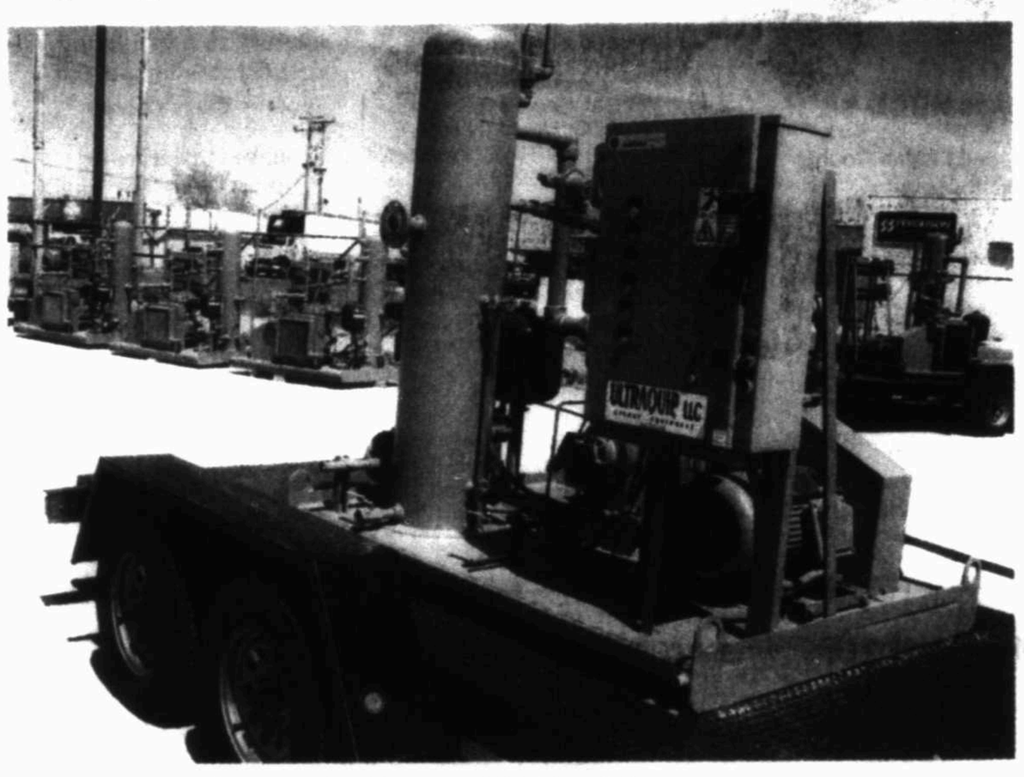

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# The Victaulic roll grooving system speeds preparation for pipe joining

**Joining pipe by traditional methods—welding, threading or flanging—all are challenging methods for rapidly joining pipe. In the field, where pipe must be moved regularly, these problems multiply—especially the time lost factor.**

**The Victaulic pipe joining system solves all those problems and more, saving time and money.**

**One problem with typical threading is that the threading process removes a substantial amount of the thickness of the pipe, reducing the wall at the joint. The process is also messy, leaving piles of cuttings to be cleaned up—and it requires copious amounts of messy cutting oils.**

**Roll grooving is the method of choice for preparing pipe made of standard or light wall carbon steel, stainless steel, aluminum, PVC, copper and other materials. With more and more companies coating pipe to extend its life in harsh oilfield conditions, it is important to note that the Victaulic system works very well with coated pipe.**

**When time is of the essence, remember that roll grooving reduces pipe preparation time from minutes down to a few seconds. Roll grooving is much cleaner since it does not involve cutting oils or pipe shavings. It cold-forms the groove, so it does not generate any heat, as would be the case with welding the pipe ends.**

**With the Victaulic system's roll grooving tools, preparation time for joining pipe is reduced to just seconds.**

Victaulic makes available not only the couplings, but the tools needed to prepare the pipe to joint with those couplings. The system's distinguishing feature is the groove made where the pipe and fitting engage to form a self-restraining joint. The position, depth and cross-section of this groove combine with the coupling housing in an optimal strength-to-weight relationship. The result is a permanent connection capable of withstanding thrust loads up to the maximum rated pressure.

Victaulic roll grooving tools are all designed to rotate the pipe or orbit the pipe as a male grooving roll is impressed into the pipe. The support roll, in addition to driving the pipe or tool, is the female die inside the pipe. As stated, this process removes no metal—the groove is cold-formed into the pipe wall.

All Victaulic cut groovers are designed to be driven around a stationary pipe to machine away material, providing a groove. The design of the tool assures a groove that is concentric with the pipe's O. D., even if the pipe is out-of-round. Cut grooving is basically designed for standard weight or heavier wall thicknesses of pipe. A square cut groove is used for steel and other metallic IPS pipe. This provides maximum coupling or gripping efficiency and the fullest pipe movement capabilities.

Victaulic offers a variety of pipe preparation tools for the most common pipe sizes—2-6 inch OD. Additionally there are plenty of options for any size pipe from ¾" to 60" OD. In addition to couplings, Victaulic supplies valves and fittings for oil field piping systems.

Victaulic products are suitable for production flow lines and headers, tank batteries and secondary recovery, drilling, collection tanks and refinery plant piping, among other applications. They are also suitable for pipes transporting wet or dry media through many types of pipe.

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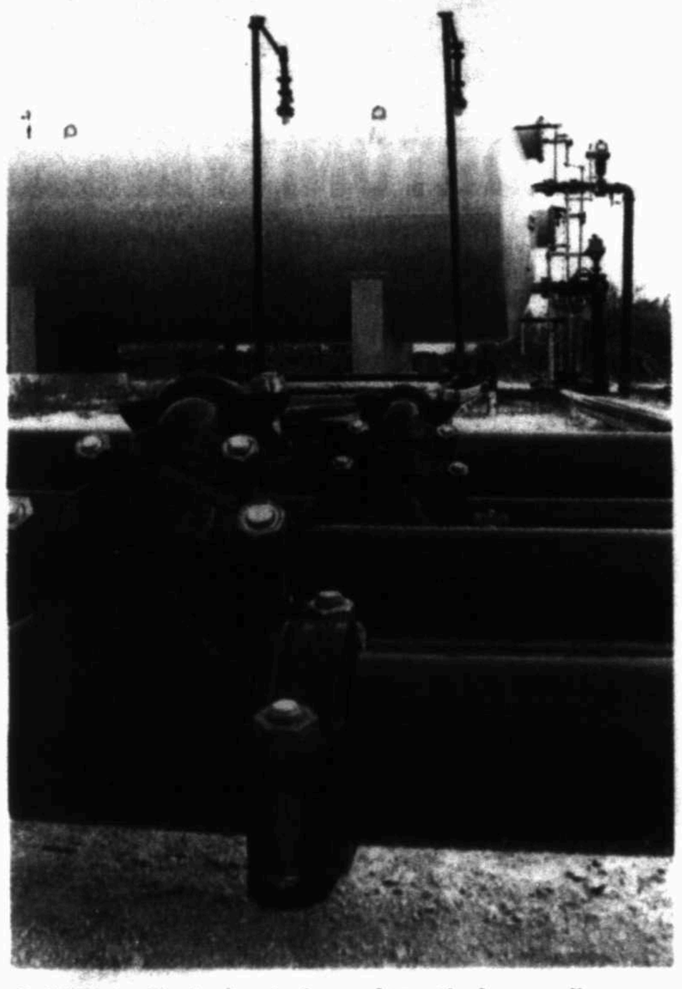

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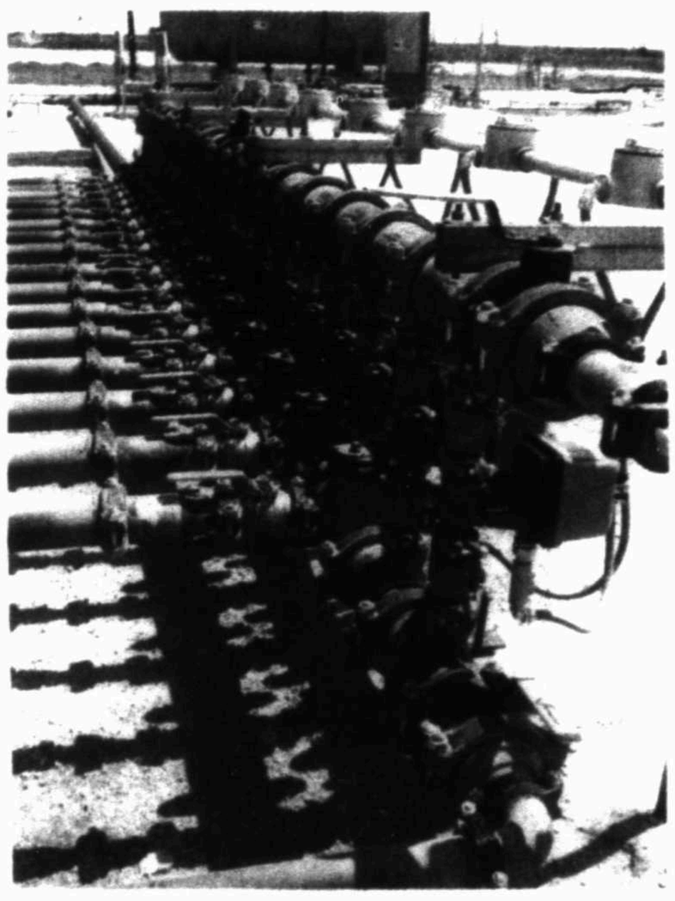
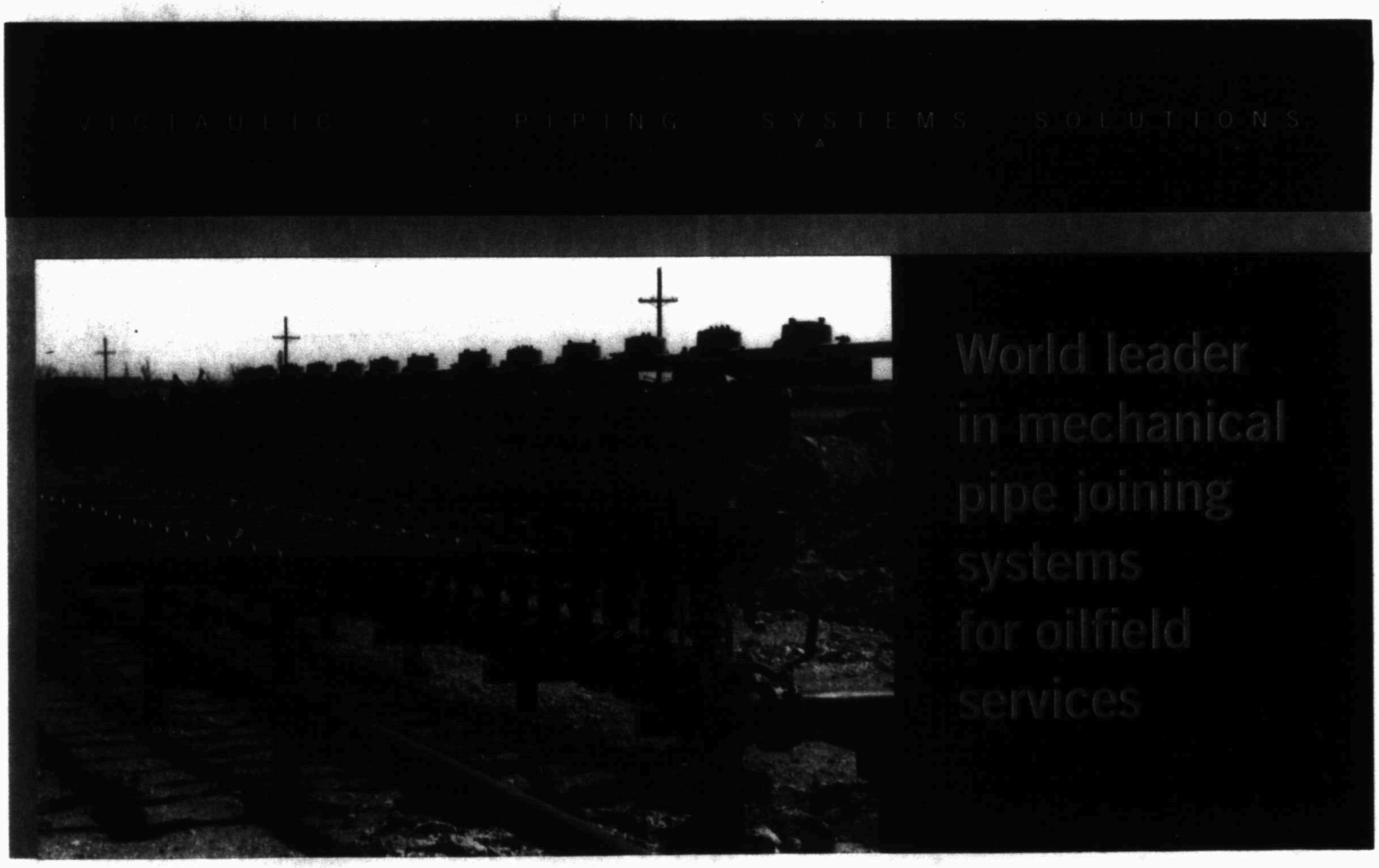


**In a facility or in the field, Victaulic systems make fast, secure joints without heat and without compromising the thickness of the pipe wall.**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# DEVELOPMENT WELLS

## Texas RRCD 8

### Martin County

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC ROSE PETAL (LO MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 1 PERCY 39, 1915 FWL 2080 FSL, SEC 39 BLK 37 T2N, T&P SUR., A-255 12000', 3 SE TARZAN

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC ROSE PETAL (LO MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 1 FRANKLIN 18, 850 FNL 2165 FWL, SEC 18 BLK 37 T2N, T&P/ LI CREEK SUR., A-873 12000', 1 NE TARZAN

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC CEDAR FLATS (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 2 TOPEAK 12, 500 FWL 900 FNL, BORDEN CSL LABOR 12 LEAGUE 259 SUR., A-590 12000', 11 W FLOWER MOUND

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC ROSE PETAL (LO MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 1 CUATRO 21, 525 FEL 1800 FNL, SEC 21 BLK 34 T3N, T&P SUR., A-23 12000', 9 E FLOWER GROVE

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC ROSE PETAL (LO MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 1 GEORGIA 39, 475 FWL 878 FSL, SEC 39 BLK 37 T2N, T&P SUR., A-255 12000', 4 SE TARZAN

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP PAUL PAGE (ATOKA) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 HALL 11, 724 FWL 306 FSL, SEC 11 BLK 36 T1S, T&P SUR., A-200 12000', 1 NW STANTON

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP J.L.M. (MISSISSIPPIAN) (O) DRILL Well# 3 HYATT B, 3354 FWL 6711 FNL, SEC 246, WHEELER CSL SUR., A-610 12000', 6 NW TARZAN

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP MON BAK (STRAWN) (O) DRILL Well# 3 SNELL 44, 467 FWL 1320 FSL, SEC 44 BLK 34 T3N, T&P/ SE BURLESON SUR., A-1051 12000', 6 NW KNOTT

ENERVEST OPERATING, LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 11 MABEE B, 467 FWL 1470 FNL, SEC 33 BLK H A, HA MOORE SUR., A-918 14000', 21 NE ANDREWS

HIBERNIA RESOURCES, LLC MABEE (STRAWN) (O) DRILL Well# 18 DOROTHY FAYE K, 6097 FNL 3250 FWL, SEC 319, GARZA CSL SUR., A-998 12500', 11 W TARZAN

HIBERNIA RESOURCES, LLC LOWE (ATOKA) (O/G) DRILL Well# 17 DOROTHY FAYE K, 2187 FSL 5101 FEL, SEC 319, GARZA CSL SUR., A-998 12500', 9 W TARZAN

J. CLEO THOMPSON LOWE (ATOKA) (O/G) DRILL Well# 19R GW GLASS B, 1980 FSL 660 FEL, SEC 12 BLK 39 T1N, T&P/D DAVIS SUR., A-674 12500', 20 NW STANTON

LINN OPERATING, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 11M ROMAN, 467 FSL 467 FWL, SEC 11 BLK 35 T2N, T&P SUR., A-70 12000', 22 NW BIG SPRING

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 MCCLOSKEY 42B, 467 FSL 1980 FWL, SEC 42 BLK 36 T4N, T&P/ ER YATES SUR., A-1115 11500', 29 NW STANTON

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 5 STONE 40, 1980 FNL 660 FEL, SEC 40 BLK 35 T1S, T&P/ FG OXSHEER JR SUR., A-795 10800', 5 SE STANTON

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 RICHARDS 44A, 1980 FSL 1980 FWL, SEC 44 BLK 36 T4N, T&P/ LC KIRKPATRICK SUR., A-767 11400', 28 NW STANTON

### Midland County

ATHLON ENERGY OPER. LLC PARKS (CONS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 18 DAVIDSON 22F, 2530 FNL 467 FWL, SEC 22 BLK 40 T4S, T&P/ JT RAGSDALE SUR., A-1357 * 11200', 22 S MIDLAND

ATHLON ENERGY OPER. LLC PARKS (CONS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 8 DAVIDSON 26, 1980 FNL 660 FWL, SEC 26 BLK 40 T4S, T&P/C PERRY SUR., A-1089 11400', 22 S MIDLAND

OXY USA WTP LP DORA ROBERTS (CONS) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2717H DORA ROBERTS RANCH UNIT, 2364 FNL 1512 FWL, SEC 27 BLK 41 T3S, T&P SUR., A-366 10000', 19 SW MIDLAND

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 8 COWDEN 40B, 467 FNL 1980 FEL, SEC 40 BLK 39 T4S, T&P/ TJ BARNES SUR., A-1066 12000', 23 SE MIDLAND

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 EILAND B, 590 FNL 467 FEL, SEC 6 BLK 36 T2S, T&P SUR. 11400', 7 NE STANTON

RSP PERMIAN, LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3809 SARAH ANN, 467 FNL 1980 FEL, SEC 38 BLK 41 T1S, T&P/ SR MCKINNEY SUR., A-1045 12000', 12 W MIDLAND

### Reeves County

ANADARKO E&P ONSHORE LLC PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H CHEYENNE 57-3-47, 350 FNL 550 FWL, SEC 47 BLK 57 T3S, T&P SUR., A-922 14000', 31 NW PECOS

BROWNING OIL CO., INC. WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 CAMPBELL, 467 FSL 2181 FEL, SEC 8 BLK 54 T7S, T&P/ EW CHAMBERS SUR., A-1999 11000', 10 SW LINDSAY

COG OPERATING, LLC HOEFS T-K (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 8705H RED WILLOW A, 485 FWL 275 FNL, SEC 174 BLK 1, H&TC/EF ROSENBAUM SUR., A-4918 12000', 25 SE PECOS

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO. SANDBAR (BONE SPRING) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H RAMSEY SS 1, 350 FNL 500 FEL, SEC 1 BLK 58 T1S, T&P SUR., A-651 9000', 13 NW ORLA

OXY USA, INC. COLLIE (DELAWARE) (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 17 COLLIE A, 9100 FSWL 351 FSEL, SEC 1 BLK 5, H&GN SUR., A-422 7000', 3 E PECOS

RESOLUTE NATURAL RES. CO., LLC PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1501H LH MEEKER C21, 600 FSL 200 FEL, SEC 16 BLK C21, PSL/ LA CASEY SUR., A-5471 11000', 32 NW PECOS

ROSETTA RES. OPER. LP WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 LONE RANGER STATE 192, 1982 FNL 470 FEL, SEC 192 BLK 13, H&GN/ SW. MILLAR SUR., A-3021 13000', 13 SE PECOS

### Sterling County

FIREWHEEL OPERATING, LLC S GARDEN CITY (WLFCMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2882H H&H RANCH, 689 FNL 1627 FWL, SEC 288 BLK 2, H&TC/G KENNEDY SUR., A-313 8500', 3 NE STERLING CITY

FIREWHEEL OPERATING, LLC S GARDEN CITY (WLFCMP) DRILL ((INJ) Well# 1SW H&H RANCH, 1240 FNL 965 FWL, SEC 288 BLK 2, H&TC/G KENNEDY SUR., A-313 9500', 2 N STERLING CITY

### Ward County

JETTA OPERATING CO., INC. PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H BARSTOW 33-33, 660 FWL 4160 FNL, SEC 33 BLK 33, H&TC SUR., A-161 11000', 9 E PECOS

JETTA OPERATING CO., INC. PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H GRAHAM UNIT 33-34, 3934 FNL 660 FWL, SEC 34 BLK 33, H&TC/G ROSS SUR., A-1416 12000', 8 E PECOS

SAGA PETROLEUM LLC.

SHIPLEY (QUEEN SAND) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 2 TENNECO-JONES, 1490 FSWL 1020 FSEL, SEC 25 BLK B29, PSL/ SP WILKS SUR., A-802 2300', 2 N ROYALTY

SHELL WESTERN E&P MOORE-HOOPER (WC) (O/G) DRILL (PENN) Well# SV MAGIC MAN 33-64 WRD, 1173 FNWL 4000 FNEL, SEC 64 BLK 33, H&TC/ E TREVEY SUR., A-789 14000', 13 NW BARSTOW

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### Crosby County

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC HOOPLE (CLEAR FORK) (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 150R ACCO-HOOPLE CLEARFORK UNIT, 2163 FSL 2144 FEL, SEC 1043 BLK 1, H&OB SUR., A-263 5000', 9 NE SLATON

### Dawson County

HADAWAY CONSULT & ENGINEER LLC HILL RANCH (MISS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 PETTAWAY, 467 FNL 467 FWL, MOORE CSL/LEAGUE 270/LABOR 7 SUR., A-410 12700', 12 SW LAMESA

OXY USA WTP LP WELCH (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 4972 WEST WELCH UNIT, 2089 FSL 2587 FEL, SEC 71 BLK M, EL&RR SUR., A-302 5200', 4 SW WELCH

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 ECHOLS 10, 467 FNL 660 FWL, KENT CSL/LEAGUE 263/LABOR 10 SUR., A-403 11650', 17 SW LAMESA

PPC OPER. CO. LLC JO-MILL (SPRABERRY) (O) DRILL Well# 100 CANON 28, 2315 FSL 2430 FWL, SEC 28 BLK 33 T5N, T&P/ SG JONES SUR., A-586 9000', 15 E LAMESA

W & T OFFSHORE, INC. BLOCK 6 (MISSISSIPPIAN) (O) DRILL Well# 4 GRIGIO, 467 FNL 567 FEL, SEC 19 BLK 36 T4N, T&P SUR., A-146 13000', 2 E PATRICIA

### Gaines County

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 PARMER 16-317, 660 FNL 660 FWL, SEC 317, PARMER CSL/LEAGUE 317/LABOR 16 SUR., A-1380 12150', 18 SE SEMINOLE

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC SE TEX-MEX (WICH-ALB) (O) DRILL Well# 2 HOSKINS A, 330 FNL 330 FEL, SEC 11 BLK A12, PSL/ RO COOK SUR., A-412 8100', 23 SW SEMINOLE

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC N ROBERTSON (CLRFRK) DRILL (INJ) Well# 401 SOUTH CENTRAL ROBERTSON UNIT, 945 FNL 2295 FWL, SEC 20 BLK A24, PSL/ WF GORDON SUR., A-475 7600', 10 SW SEMINOLE

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC N ROBERTSON (CLRFRK) DRILL (INJ) Well# 406 SOUTH CENTRAL ROBERTSON UNIT, 1980 FNL 2250 FWL, SEC 20 BLK A24, PSL/F GORDON SUR., A-475 7600', 10 SW SEMINOLE

WHITING O&G CORP. D.E.B. (WOLFCAMP) (O) (HORZ) (RECOMP) Well# 11 FOSTER, 3180 FSL 1520 FEL, DAWSON CSL/LEAGUE 305/ TRACT 8 SUR., A-932 11000', 8 SE SEMINOLE

XTO ENERGY INC. N ROBERTSON CLRFRK) (O) DRILL Well# 7155 ROBERTSON CLEARFORK UNIT, 110 FNL 1170 FWL, SEC 1 BLK A24, PSL/LB MCEWING SUR., A-578 7600', 9 SW SEMINOLE

XTO ENERGY INC. RUSSELL (CLEARFORK) (O) DRILL Well# 525 RUSSELL CLEARFORK UNIT, 607 FSL 190 FWL, SEC 464 BLK Q, CCSD&RGNG/ T ROSS SUR., A-628 8100', 7 SW DENVER CITY

XTO ENERGY INC. RUSSELL (CLEARFORK) (O) DRILL Well# 523 RUSSELL CLEARFORK UNIT, 1290 FSL 570 FEL, SEC 457 BLK Q, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-38 8100', 7 SW DENVER CITY

### Garza County

PALMER OIL PROPERTIES POST (GLORIETA) (O) DRILL Well# 7 SWENSON A, 430 FSL 1312 FWL, SEC 3 BLK 8, H&GN SUR., A-113 3000', 12 E POST


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## Texas RRCD 7C

### McCulloch County

Jasper Energy Inc.
Gassiot #1
Exco (960); 150 fwl, 835 fsl, Sec 1098, Abst. 2243, J.W. Barnett, 1 e Lohn; TD 1100; Comp 2/16/2014; producing from 961-965; pump 15 BO, 34 Oil Gravity; API #42-307-31170

### Reagan County

BTA Oil Producers LLC
South Stiles Spraberry Unit #6064
Spraberry (Trend Area); 697 fnl, 2173 fel, Sec 8, Blk L, Abst. 725, TC RR, 15 nw Big Lake; TD 10220; Comp 2/18/2014; producing from 7046-9774, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; pump 94 BO, 179 MCF, 126 BW, 42.8 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-38495

### Runnels County

Novo Exploration Corporation
Chapmond #1A
Lucky Pierre; 1560 fnl, 1110 fel, Sec 74, Blk 63, Abst. 707, CT RR, 3.5 w Winters; TD 4578; Comp 3/5/2014; producing from 2768-2771; pump 60 BO, 9 BW, 41 Oil Gravity; API #42-399-35407

### Upton County

COG Operating LLC
Pegasus Field Unit 3 #2114
Pegasus (Consolidated); 3628 fwl, 6906 fnl, Sec 37, Blk 41, T-4-S, Abst. 480, T&P RR, 30.9 nw Rankin; TD 10757; Comp 2/20/2014; producing from 9015-10545, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; pump 139 BO, 227 MCF, 210 BW, 42 Oil Gravity; API #42-461-38814

## Texas RRCD 8

### Andrews County

Saber Oil & Gas Ventures LLC
University "D"#5
Andrews South (Devonian); 1980 fwl, 1980 fnl, Sec 15, Blk 1, Abst. 15U, ULS, 9 se Andrews; TD 11600; Comp 2/19/2014; producing from 10801-11150, fracture stimulated; pump 41 BO, 141 MCF, 65 BW, 46 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-43876

### Glasscock County

Chevron USA Inc.
Glass TXL Fee #2509
Spraberry (Trend Area); 500 fnl, 467 fel, Sec 25, Blk 33, T-5-S, Abst. 181, T&P RR, 13 se Garden City; TD 10010; Comp 2/24/2014; producing from 7000-9400, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; pump 40 BO, 81 MCF, 189 BW, 47.8 Oil Gravity; API #42-173-36052

### Martin County

Occidental Permian Ltd.
South Curtis Ranch #3520H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 14081 fsl, 700 fel, Sec 35, Blk 39, T-1-N, Abst. 313, T&P RR, 7.9 n Midland; TD 9710 TVD, 16340 MD; Comp 2/19/2014; producing from 10100-15896, treated with acid; pump 366 BO, 757 BW, 42.5 Oil Gravity; API #42-317-38835

Occidental Permian Ltd.
South Curtis Ranch #2102
Spraberry (Trend Area); 475 fnl, 1947 fwl, Sec 21, Blk 39, T-1-N, Abst. 307, T&P RR, 10.3 nw Midland; TD 10970; Comp 2/26/2014; producing from 8410-10826, treated with acid; pump 11 BO, 13 MCF, 247 BW, 42.5 Oil Gravity; API #42-317-38853

## Texas RRCD 8A

### Yoakum County

XTO Energy Inc.
H.O. Mahoney #192
Wasson; 2513 fnl, 329 fwl, Sec 742, Blk D, Abst. 722, J.H. Gibson, 7.2 ne Denver City; TD 5496 TVD, 5504 MD; Comp 2/26/2014; producing from 4971-5279, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; pump 26 BO, 220 MCF, 1270 BW, 34.59 OIL Gravity; API #42-501-36211

## New Mexico

### Eddy County

Apache Corp.
AB State 647 #12
Artesia; Sec 32 T17S R28E; 910/S & 330/W; EL 3673 GR, TD 5080, PBTD 5070; Spud 9-19-13, Comp 10-27-13; production is through treated perfs: 3373-4091, 4180-4890. Treat: 440,622 gals 20#, 540,270# sd, 7951 gals acid, 7350 gals gel. IP: 11-6-13 Pump 24 hrs 0 BO, 0 BW, 494 MCF, Cag: 8 5/8 @ 417 w/300 sx, 5 1/2 @ 5080 w/760 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4995; API #30-015-41496

Apache Corp.
AB State 647 #15
Artesia; Sec 32 T17S R28E; 330/S & 1650/W; EL 3673 GL, TD 5063, PBTD 5050; Spud 9-26-13, Comp 10-30-13; production is through treated perfs: 3394-3943, 4142-4900. Treat: 442,100 gals 20#, 521,567# sd, 7484 gals acid, 7305 gals gel. IP: 11-3-13 Pump 24 hrs 5 BO, 420 BW, 12 MCF, GOR 2400, Gty 38.1. Cag: 8 5/8 @ 413 w/650 sx, 5 1/2 @ 5063 w/730 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4976; API #30-015-41504

Apache Corp.
Jaguar State #2
Cedar Lake; Sec 8 T17S R29E; 990/S & 1585/E; EL 3616 GL, TD 5552, PBTD 5560; Spud 8-7-13, Comp 10-5-13; production is through treated perfs: 3834-4435, 4500-4950, 5030-5430. Treat: 474,390 GALS 20#, 642,063# SD, 13,196 gals acid, 12,936 gals gel. IP: 10-29-13 Pump 24 hrs 61 BO, 190 BW, 110 MCF, GOR 1803, Gty 39.2. Cag: 8 5/8 @ 415 w/570 sx, 5 1/2 @ 5552 w/1150 sx, 2 7/8 @ 5529; API #30-015-41455

Apache Corp.
Jaguar State #3
East Empire; Sec 8 T17S R29E; 330/S & 2310/E; EL 3615 GL, TD 5555, PBTD 5530; Spud 8-15-13, Comp 10-25-13; production is through treated perfs: 3841-4406, 4474-4940, 5018-5420. Treat: 449,882 gals 20#, 613,837# sd, 13,179 gals acid, 14,238 gals gel. IP: 11-5-13 Pump 24 hrs 37 BO, 295 BW, 93 MCF, GOR 2514, Gty 38.2. Cag: 8 5/8 @ 404 w/407 sx, 5 1/2 @ 5555 w/1150 sx, 2 7/8 @ 5507; API #30-015-41460

Burnett Oil Co.
Jackson B #61
Cedar Lake; Sec 12 T17S R30E; 2310/N & 330/E; EL 3722 GL, TD 6100, PBTD 6052; Spud 7-27-13, Comp 9-22-13; production is through treated perfs: 5768-6008. Acdz w/2500 gals 15% NEFE & 88 BS, Frac w/1,073,478 gals slickwater, 41,120# 100 mesh, 215,114# 40/70 sd. IP: 10-6-13 Pump 24 hrs 150 BO, 619 BW, 260 MCF, Gty 38.3. Cag: 10 1/2 @ 550 w/400 sx, 7 @ 6100 w/2290 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6779; API #30-015-41542

COG Operating LLC
Burch Keely Unit #651
Burch Keely; Sec 19 T17S R30E; 1474/N & 922/W. BHL: 1664/N & 974/W; EL 3824 GL, TD 4672 MD, 4666 TVD, PBTD 4609 MD, 4609 TVD; Spud 7-5-13, Comp 8-11-13; production is through treated perfs: 4189-4464. Treat: Acdz w/2000 gals 15% acid, Frac w/107,014 gals gel, 114,071# 16/30 brown sd, 9562# siberprop. IP: 8-21-13 Pump 24 hrs 61 BO, 137 BW, 137 MCF, GOR 2246, Gty 41. Cag: 13 3/8 @ 263 w/400 sx, 8 5/8 @ 1073 w/500 sx, 5 1/2 @ 4662 w/1050 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4569; API #30-015-40278

Apache Corp.
Coffee Federal #17
Cedar Lake; Sec 18 T17S R31E; 1115/N & 515/W. BHL: 1968/N & 344/W; EL 3759 GL, TD 6446, PBTD 6425; Spud 7-17-13, Comp 9-9-13; production is through treated perfs: 4538-5100, 5170-5500, 5570-6334. Treat: 423,360 gals 20#, 660,338# sd, 14,780 gals acid, 14,742 gals gel. IP: 10-9-13 Pump 24 hrs 127 BO, 177 BW, 127 MCF, GOR 1477, Gty 36.7. Cag: 13 3/8 @ 367 w/780 sx, 8 5/8 @ 3502 w/1050 sx, 5 1/2 @ 6446 w/960 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6389; API #30-015-41036

Apache Corp.
Coffee Federal #20
Cedar Lake; Sec 18 T17S R31E; 2370/N & 1525/W; EL 3764 GL, TD 6400, PBTD 6390; Spud 7-5-13, Comp 9-6-13; production is through perfs: 4570-6304. IP: 10-13-13 Pump 24 hrs 66 BO, 274 BW, 180 MCF, Cag: 13 3/8 @ 386 w/780 sx, 8 5/8 @ 3501 w/1150 sx, 5 1/2 @ 6400 w/960 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6381; API #30-015-41045

Mack Eriergy Corp.
Razorback Federal #7
Tamano; Sec 3 T18S R31E; 1372/N & 1331/W. BHL: 1723/N & 1710/W; EL 3749 GL, TD 5607, PBTD 5552; Spud 9-2-13, Comp 10-3-13; production is through perfs: 5328-5338. IP: 10-31-13 Pump 24 hrs 10 BO, 70 BW, 20 MCF, Cag: 13 3/8 @ 790 w/675 sx, 8 5/8 @ 2065 w/1075 sx, 5 1/2 @ 5607 w/920 sx, 2 7/8 @ 5360; API #30-015-41098

COG Operating LLC
Patton 5 Fee #4
Penasco Draw; Sec 5 T19S R26E; 2310/N & 235/W; EL 3368 GL, TD 5065, PBTD 2046; Spud 5-9-12, Comp 11-14-12; production is through treated perfs: 1836-1845. Treat: Acdz w/2293 gals 15% HCL, Frac w/36,096 gals gel, 45,287# 16/30 brown sd, 15,228# 16/30 siberprop. IP: 12-18-12 Pump 24 hrs 2 BO, 30 BW, 7 MCF, GOR 3500, Gty 39.5. Cag: 9 5/8 @ 1225 w/1050 sx, 7 @ 2095 w/650 sx, 2 7/8 @ 1955; API #30-015-39842

Devon Energy Production Company LP
Turquoise PWUP 27 #2
Parkway; Sec 27 T19S R29E; 1980/N & 50/E. BHL: 2310/N & 330/W; EL 3332 GL, TD 12,830 MD, 8047 TVD, PBTD 12,816.5; Spud 10-21-12, Comp 2-13-13; production is through treated perfs: 8500-12762. Treat: Frac w/23,772 gals 15% HCL, 578,069# 30/50 sd, 1,752,427# 20/40 sd, 443,761# 16/30 siberprop. IP: 2-13-13 Pump 24 hrs 435 BO, 527 BW, 1414 MCF. Cag: 13 3/8 @ 327 w/407 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3427 w/1930 sx, 5 1/2 @ 12,830 w/2625 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7638; API #30-015-40506

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado
Cresent Hale 12 Fed Com #3
Benson; Sec 12 T19S R30E: 330/N & 2310/E. BHL: 333/S & 1976/E; EL 3453 GL, TD 12989 MD, 8657 TVD; Spud 12-18-12, Comp 2-11-13; production is through treated perfs: 8269-12960. Treat: 1912416 gals fluid, 2854909# sd. IP: 3-17-13 Pump 24 hrs 634 BO, 881 BW, 621 MCF, GOR 979, Gty 47.5. Cag: 13 3/8 @ 447 w/900 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2418 w/1100 sx, 5 1/2 @ 12989 w/2700 sx, 2 7/8 @ 8138; API #30-015-40837

BOPCO LP
Poker Lake Unit #394
SW Poker Lake; Sec 19 T24S R31E; 1125/S & 200/E. BHL: 1487/S & 561/E; EL 3468 GL, TD 14872 MD, 8088 TVD. Spud 5-12-13, Comp 7-25-13. production is through treated perfs: 8475-14602. Treat: Frac w/44547 bbls fluid, 2087710# propant over 21 stages. IP: 8-26-13 Pump 24 hrs 150 BO, 2535 BW, 253 MCF, GOR 1687, Gty 42.8. Cag: 13 3/8 @ 874 w/800 sx, 9 5/8 @ 7263 w/1730 sx, 7 @ 8317 w/520 sx, 4 1/2 @ 8225-14672, 2 7/8 @ 7302; API #30-015-41083


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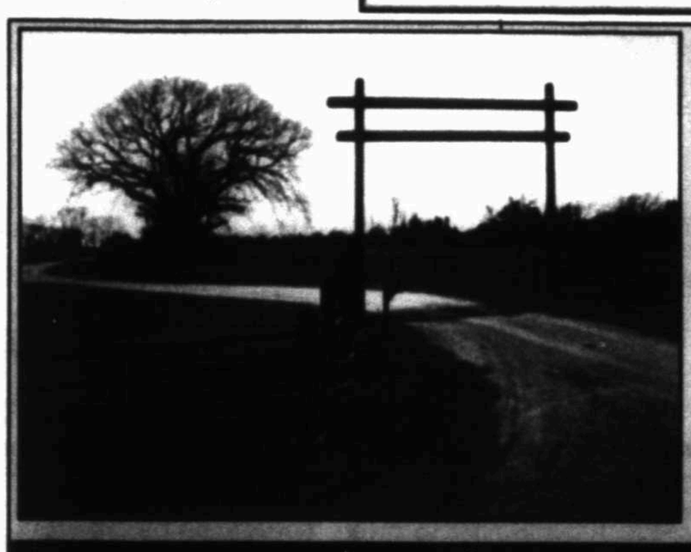


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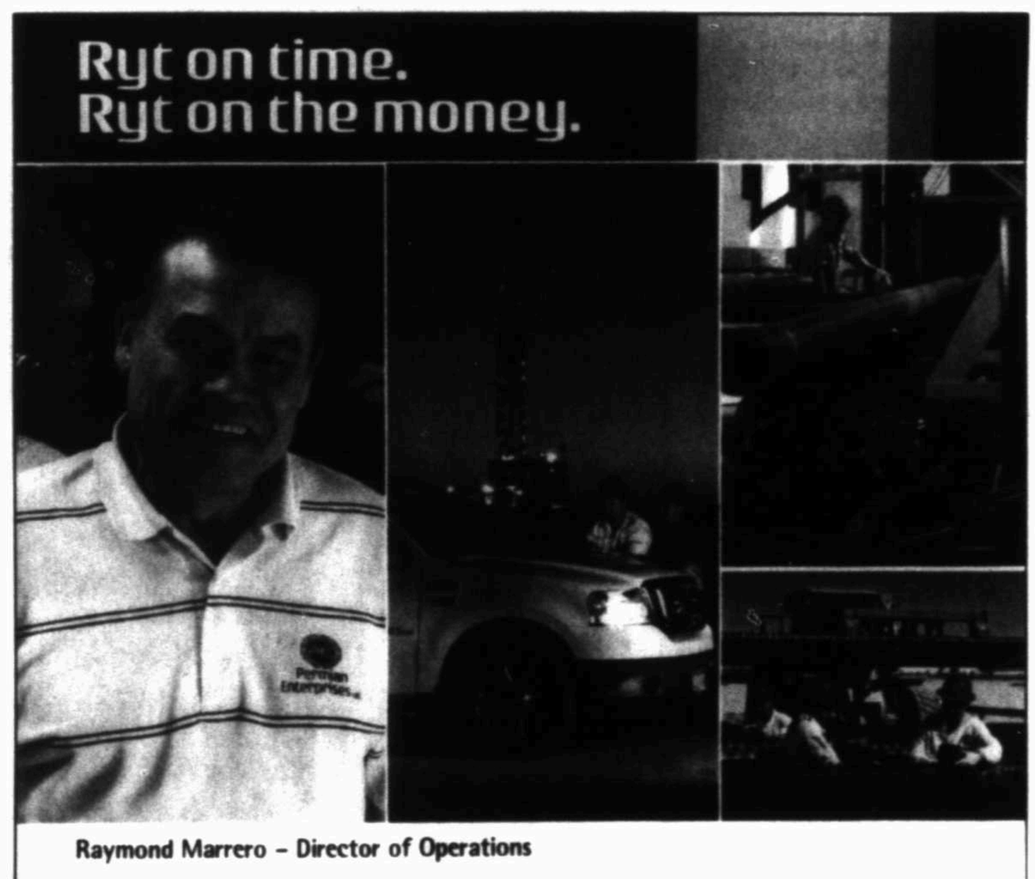


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The last time the company had such significant activity in the Permian Basin was eight or nine years ago. Until now, they were helping operators search for natural gas in West Virginia, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Pennsylvania and in Texas.

Dawson crews have worked 200 miles in every direction in the Permian Basin, he said, and are also active in Oklahoma's Mississippian Lime, the Niobrara, the Bakken and in Canada. Where seismic surveys were predominantly ordered by companies looking to develop natural gas shales, he said, "our activity east of I-35 has trailed off dramatically over the last five years. Now it's unconventional resources or liquids as opposed to predominantly gas."

## NOON

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settlements are taking place without public input, attorneys general are unable to represent the respective interests of their states, businesses and citizens," Forbes Contributor Larry Bell agreed. "While the environmental group is given a seat at the table, outsiders who are most impacted are excluded, with no opportunity to object to the settlements."

Bell describes the 'sue and settle' practice — sometimes referred to as "friendly lawsuits" — this way.

Cozy deals through which far-left radical environmental groups file lawsuits against federal agencies wherein court-ordered "consent decrees" are issued based upon a prearranged settlement agreement they collaboratively craft together in advance behind closed doors. Then, rather than allowing the entire process to play out, the agency being sued settles the lawsuit by agreeing to move forward with the requested action they and the litigants both want.

In a succinct soliloquy about the LPC and GSG, Fox Business' Stuart Varney said, "I've always been amazed at the ability of a very small, but well-funded, group to get their way using the court system. But, that is what really is happening. The Sage Grouse and the lesser prairie chicken interests are obviously far more important than America's interest in energy independence."

Gratefully, Oklahoma Attorney General Scott Pruitt has stepped up to the plate and used the environmentalists' tactics and filed a lawsuit against the federal government. It will not delay the March 31 deadline for the FWS decision on the LPC, but it could "overturn designations of dozens of species added to the threatened or endangered list through the 'sue and settle' process" — which could include the LPC. It could prevent the unnecessary listing of thousands of other flora and fauna — allowing companies to continue providing the jobs, producing the oil, natural gas and other commodities such as timber and critical minerals that are so important to America and our energy freedom.

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## WATER

From 2G

to support the industry in the search for freshwater alternatives.

State regulations that took effect in 2013 eliminated some of the special permit requirements for using recycled and brackish water, Tintera said.

Meanwhile, the Texas Water Development Board is collecting data on underground brackish water reservoirs to share with the energy industry and municipalities, said Robert Mace, the agency's deputy executive administrator.

He said the agency typically has focused its limited resources on freshwater, but sees growing value in information on brackish water too.

The board is using well logs that drillers file with the Texas Railroad Commission to try to piece together information on brackish aquifers that until now mostly have been ignored.

But companies often are reluctant to elaborate on the basic data they file in the well logs because information on underground water can provide a competitive edge.

### Environmental groups

The brackish water push creates a dilemma for environmental groups that criticize the energy industry's water consumption.

While the use of salty or recycled water reduces the use of freshwater per well, it also facilitates hydraulic fracturing, which many environmentalists oppose as a pollution threat and because it produces fossil fuels that emit greenhouse gases.

Luke Metzger, director of Environment Texas, said use of non-freshwater can reduce hydraulic fracturing's impact. But he contends that the industry's efforts so far seem more about public relations than seriously addressing the issue of water consumption.

Whether use of the technology grows probably comes down to whether it saves money.


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# WOMEN IN THE ARTS
# POETRY

## Midlander promotes poetry scene in West Texas

By Rich Lopez
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Kat Copeland suffered injuries from a car wreck in May 2013. Her mind focused so much on recuperating from the pain that she hadn't picked up a pen in some time. She was voiceless for a moment and perhaps for the first time in a long time. Copeland is a poet and for her, silence is more debilitating.

"The passion in me, that fire comes from higher power, God if you will, or a spirit," she said. "I feel like I have a direct line with a spirit that has made me write so many things. After the wreck, I couldn't focus on that. It was lonely. Isolation and me are not good partners."

Copeland began her poetry accidentally by journaling in the late 1970s. At the encouragement of her friends, she discovered an outlet. Dealing with health issues, marital problems and raising five children on her own, she simply wrote down her feelings.

With help from her daughter, 30 years later she published her first book.

"People called what I did poetry and I decided to come out of the closet — as a writer," she said, laughing.

At 73, Copeland presents her works alongside a slew of poets not old enough to drink. Whether at the open mic every second Saturday at the Ground Floor coffee shop downtown or at special events like the Flow in the Dark poetry slam March 21 in Odessa or Forrest Fest April 26-27 in Lamesa, Copeland is an official fixture on the poetry/spoken word scene in West Texas. She's also the acting treasurer for the Permian Basin Poetry Society. Poetry is far more than a hobby for her — it's almost become her duty.

"I am an advocate for people. I am expressing the two thirds of the world that doesn't have a voice, who no one listens to or don't speak out for fear of retaliation. I have no fear," she said.

Copeland speaks for the homeless,

Please see **POETRY**/3H

Rich Lopez/Reporter-Telegram

*'It's so dangerous to be apathetic and for a voice not to be heard.'*

— **Kat Copeland**, poet

**Meet the Artist**

**5** questions with Cheryl Roush

Painter Cheryl Roush was named as the featured artist for this year's Celebration of the Arts this weekend at the Midland Center.

MRT: Who are your heroes?
Roush: I don't really have a hero, but someone I have always looked up to and been inspired by. Gary Niblett is an old family friend and a member of the Cowboy Artists of America, a very elite group of artists.

MRT: Describe your ideal last meal.
Roush: That would have to be Luigi's pizza, antipasto salad and homemade chocolate pie.

MRT: What is your proudest artistic achievement?
Roush: Being selected as a signature member of the American Plains Artist in 2007 and now being the 2014 Distinguished artist at Celebration of the Arts.

MRT: What is your secret indulgence?
Roush: Chocolate!

MRT: And if you plugged your iPhone into your car stereo, what would we hear?
Roush: Definitely country music.

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Brad King, a spray paint artist, works on a piece during the 2012 Celebration of the Arts.

## Celebration of the Arts adds new attractions

By Rich Lopez
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Arts Council of Midland Executive Director Danny Holeva credits previous generations of Midlanders with the foresight to know today's community would need the arts. One result of that is this 31st year of the festival Celebration of the Arts taking place Friday and Saturday at the Midland Center. Years ago and today, the need for arts is crucial.

"Those generations had that far-reaching vision that we need enriching things in our lives being so isolated out here," Holeva said. "And that's what the arts are. It's good for all of us."

With its Mad for the Arts theme based on the TV show "Mad Men" (1960s attire encouraged), the festival will feature up to 60 artists in various mediums from painting to sculpture to photography and more. This year's featured artist is local painter Cheryl Roush. In addition, the festival will feature new attractions.

"Well, admission is free now so everybody's welcome," Holeva said.

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# CELEBRATION OF THE ARTS

**FAR LEFT**
Anna Adair, with Cross Country Face and Body Art, facepaints on Nathan Wright, 4, during the 2012 Celebration of the Arts.

**LEFT**
Daiken Awasaka works on a pot in 2012 at Celebration of the Arts.

*MRT file photos*

# CALENDAR

*Compiled from staff reports and from the Arts Council of Midland*

## SUNDAY

Stand Together Against Bullying concert with Abi Ann, Kenton Duty, Justin Langston and Brian Milson, 3 p.m. at Grande Stadium. facebook.com/standforthesilentmidland.

Sunburst U.S.A. Beauty and Baby Pageant, 1 p.m. at Midland Park Mall. sunburstbeauty.com.

"Oh So Modern Music" Permian Basin String Quartet, 3 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

Cesar Millan Live, 7:30 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

Maverick Players present "Dearly Beloved," through today at VFW Hall. Matinee performance at 2 p.m. maverickplayers.org.

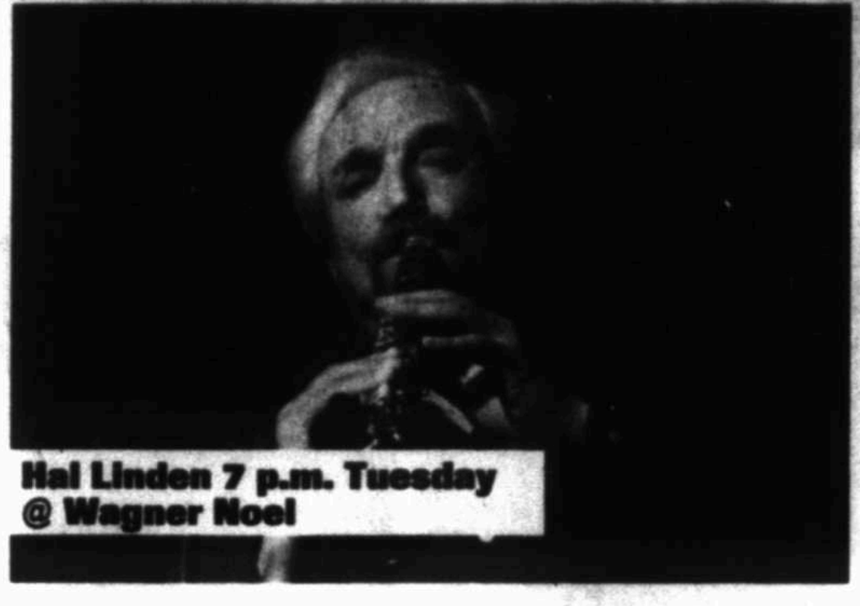
## MONDAY

Midland County Public Library opening of "Arthur's World" interactive children's exhibit on loan from Boston Children's Museum, at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch.

Tall City Cloggers dances, every Monday at M-Squarena. Call Lynn Myers at 697-6416 or danznfool@grandecom.net

## TUESDAY

Basin PBS' "The Story of the Jews" five-part series parts 3, 4 and 5 beginning at 7 p.m. Historian, author and critic Simon Schama explores the Jewish experience from ancient times to the present day. basinpbs.org



**Hal Linden 7 p.m. Tuesday @ Wagner Noel**

Live on Stage presents: An Evening with Hal Linden, 7 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

Midland Community Band's weekly meeting, 7-9 p.m. at Midland College Fine Arts Building Band Hall. New members always welcome. Call Walter McClure at 260-7136.

Marfa Public Radio's "Nature Notes," 8:35 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. every Tuesday-Thursday. KXWT-Midland/Odessa-91.3 FM.

Palette Club's painting time, 9 a.m.-noon. Meeting and demo scheduled on second Tuesday of the month. 664-3197.

Permian Basin Dance Club with live country-western band, 7:30-10 p.m. at St. Stephen's Catholic Church ballroom, 4601 Neely Ave. Members $5, non-members $6. Alcohol- and smoke-free environment. 520-4343 or 218-8215.

## WEDNESDAY

Ellen Noel Art Museum's storytime for ages 3-5 with art activity, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Art Haus. noelartmuseum.org

## THURSDAY

Debbie Nordman reading from "The Alastrine Legend," 5 p.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. www.co.midland.tx.us/lib.

Museum of the Southwest's open campus night and Student Art Exhibition opening reception, 6-8:30 p.m. at the museum. museumsw.org

Thursday Night Dance Club of Odessa with music by Showdown, 7:30-10 p.m. at 301 E. 61st St. in Odessa. 697-0281.

West Texas Iris Society meeting, 7 p.m. at Community and Senior Services Center. 352-5483.

## FRIDAY

Betenbough Homes Easter Open House and photos with the Easter Bunny, 6-8 p.m. at the Legends Park Model Homes. www.betenbough.com.

Celebration of the Arts "MAD for the Arts!" preview party, 7-10 p.m. at Midland Center. acmidland.org

"Pippi Longstocking," through April 12 at Midland Community Theatre. mctmidland.org.

West Texas Astronomers' Star Party at Haley Park behind the Marian Blakemore Planetarium, dusk at Museum of the Southwest campus. museumsw.org

## SATURDAY

Midland Downtown Farmers Market, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at 501 W. Texas Ave. midlanddowntownfarmersmarket.com

Celebration of the Arts "MAD for the Arts!" free festival, 9 a.m.-8 p.m. and pet parade at 3 p.m. at Midland Center. acmidland.org

Eva Pohler reading from "The Gatekeeper's Sons," 11 a.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. www.co.midland.tx.us/lib.

Permian Basin Master Gardeners plant sale, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at Horseshoe. westtexasgardening.com or 686-4700.

Kathy Sosa's "Identidad," opens at Museum of the Southwest. museumsw.org.

Midland High School Orchestra's Beethoven and Blue Jeans, 5-7 p.m. at Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center. 689-1180

## ON DISPLAY

ArtQuest Studios' reserved studio time. $35 per month. 700 Andrews Highway. heronartconnection@sbcglobal.net, 553-0420, www.artquesttx.com.

Blakemore Planetarium's permanent exhibits are open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Closed Sunday and Monday. Sky shows throughout the week. 1705 W. Missouri Ave. 683-2882.

The Ellen Noël Art Museum's exhibit "Russian Icons: Imperial Treasures" through May 17. Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free. www.noelartmuseum.org. 550-9696.

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum's permanent exhibits include "My Town," "Beach Babies" and "Touch of Sound." Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m., Admission charged. 1705 W. Missouri Ave., 683-2882.

George Bush Childhood Home's tours and gift shop hours are 2-5 p.m. Sundays and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturdays. Admission charged. 1412 W. Ohio Ave., 685-1112.

Haley Library and History Center's hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Free. 1805 W. Indiana Ave. 682-5785.

Midland Arts Association presents photography of Sean Patty in the Community National Bank Lobby, 401 W. Texas Ave. during April.

Midland County Historical Museum's exhibit honoring World War II veterans in cooperation with the Texas Historical Commission's three-year program. Permanent exhibits: Native American artifacts; early Midland photos and relics; replica of Midland Man discovery; early obituary files available for research, 301 W. Missouri Ave. 2-5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Free. 682-2931 or 688-8947.

Midland County Historical Society's Z. Taylor Brown-Sara Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland. Open by appointment. 213 N. Weatherford St., 682-5447.

Museum of the Southwest's exhibits: "Pulled, Pressed and Screened: Important American Prints," a traveling exhibition from the Syracuse University Art Collection, through April 20. Barnaby Fitzgerald's "Moments, Still Lives and Figures" through March 23. "Estamos Aqui (We are Here)" through today.

Permanent exhibits: Taos Master: Taos Society of Artists collection. MSW Sculpture Park has 14 sculptures on display. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. $5 adults, $3 children. 1705 W. Missouri Ave., 683-2882.

Nancy Fyfe Cardozier Gallery, UTPB exhibit: Constituents work by Rebecca Hermann through April 13. Free and open to the public. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 2-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Options Gallery, Odessa College, 201 W. University Blvd. Free. 335-6640.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, Library and Hall of Fame is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 2-5 p.m. Sunday, 1500 Interstate 20 West, 683-4403.

Scarborough-Lineberry House is open by appointment and available for rental for weddings and other special occasions. 802 S. Main St. 685-7368.

*Arts Council of Midland maintains a calendar of all submitted arts-related activities. To submit events see use form from www.acmidland.org.*

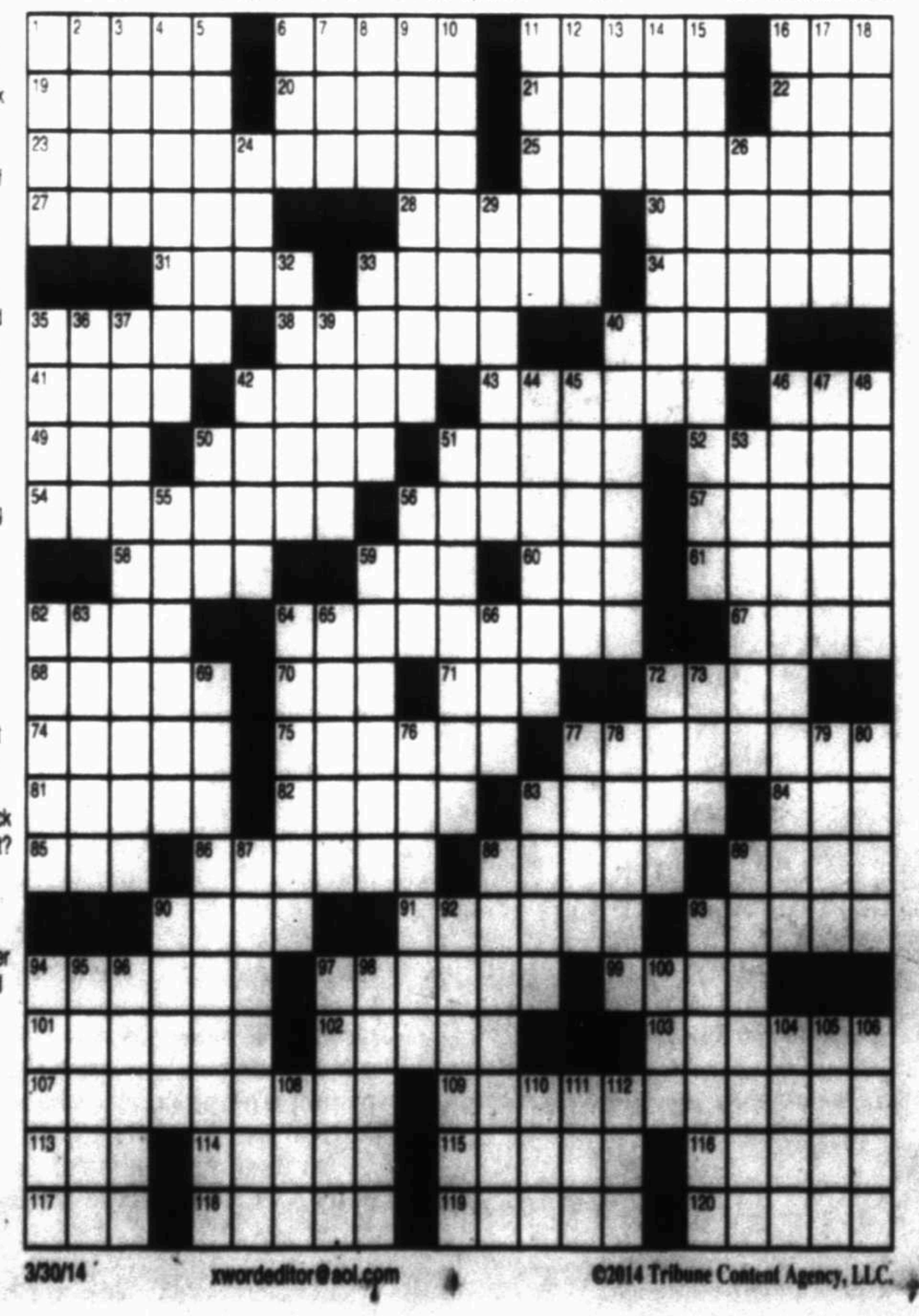
# Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

**"CB SWITCHES"**
**By NORA PEARLSTONE**

**ACROSS**
1 "Waverley" novelist
6 Sch. with a Waterbury campus
11 Early computer acronym
16 Standout
19 Many a network
20 Competition with ropes
21 One of a dozen
22 Pres. or P.M.
23 Sidewalk vendor's income?
25 Steeped salad topping?
27 Romantic request
28 High land
30 Fill with bubbles
31 Foot on a farm
33 "It matters to us"
34 Trypanosome transmitter
35 Really enjoy
38 All-Star outfielder Raul
40 Pondside stalk
41 More than walk
42 Equals
43 Equally, say
46 E.T. policers of film
49 Notre Dame's conf.
50 Smoothie fruit
51 "Say it soft and it's almost like praying" girl of song
52 Old Bristol-Myers toothpaste
54 Online meeting place
56 Announce
57 Backwoods
58 Scientology guru Hubbard
59 Silent
60 Turn right
61 What you can't get if you pass the bar?
62 Cake with a kick
64 Accident report?
67 Model Sastre
68 Aimée of "La Dolce Vita"
70 L.A.'s __ Center
71 Confrontational opening
72 All there
74 Eastern guru
75 Like slalom courses
77 Roaring Twenties Hollywood sex symbol
81 Leftovers cover
82 Lotto variant
83 Base shade?
84 Kimono accessory
85 Chicago airport code
86 Liftoff sensation
88 Patriot and Liberty
89 Hosp. scanners
90 Howdy to a mate
91 Puzzle
93 Gear features
94 Diacritic for a long vowel sound
97 Puzzled reactions
99 Mount sacred to Judaism
101 Poise
102 Goes for
103 Restful break
107 Sketched a Gibb brother?
109 Villain's backwoods hideout?
113 Baloney
114 Regular's request, with "the"
115 "C'mon, pal!"
116 Map type: Abbr.
117 Portland-to-Helena dir.
118 Come together
119 Declines with a check, maybe
120 Plenty

**DOWN**
1 Moose Jaw's prov.
2 Diamond Preferred credit card offerer
3 Hockey legend Bobby et al.
4 Drive, often
5 Aftershock
6 Ending for sub- or ex-
7 __ anglais: English horn
8 Keats work
9 Spiffs (up)
10 "Out of the question"
11 Glower?
12 Up from Mexico
13 Having four sharps
14 Central California city
15 Robin selling Roquefort?
16 Smug look
17 Proof jobs
18 1957 Bobbettes hit
24 Auto racer Fabi
26 Scott who sued for his freedom
29 Market
32 Sporty '80s Pontiac
33 On alert
35 What a dot may mean, in mus.
36 Prefix meaning "primary"
37 Qualifying exam for opera school?
39 Earthen wall
40 One may weep after being told to do this
42 McJob holder
44 Continue interminably
45 More repulsive
46 Undersea party pooper?
47 Hardly well-thought-out
48 Pitching slips
50 Fella
51 Seashell, maybe
53 Pet food giant
55 Emotional shock
56 Run well
59 Fanatic
62 Rossini's Doctor Bartolo, e.g.
63 Sadat of Egypt
64 One helping swingers?
65 Not so elevated
66 Vaudeville family name
69 Official loafer of the realm?
72 Nordstrom rival
73 Agent Gold on "Entourage"
76 Derisive looks
77 __ lab
78 Two-mile-high city
79 Memorial news item
80 Something made on a star?
83 Brewery lineup
87 Boosters, as a group
88 Their parts are hard to tell apart
89 Cough drop flavor
90 Increase
92 Hiker's snack
93 Salutes of a sort
94 Familia member
95 Kitchen protection
96 '50s-'60s Yankee Boyer
97 Skinny sort
98 Rules immortal
100 Nail down, as victory
104 Scruff
105 Have __: flip out
106 P.O. deliveries
108 Classic Capek play
110 Lic.-issuing bureau
111 Skip, as stones
112 Ones with seats



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# GOREN BRIDGE

**With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch**

**Two-for-one**

Neither vulnerable. West deals.

NORTH
♠ 10 8 6 5 4
♥ K 7 3
♦ J
♣ A 8 7 5

WEST
♠ K J 9 7
♥ A 10 8 4
♦ A 10 7
♣ Q 6

EAST
♠ Q 3 2
♥ 2
♦ K 9 5 4 2
♣ K 9 4 2

SOUTH
♠ A
♥ Q J 9 6 5
♦ Q 8 6 3
♣ J 10 3

The bidding:

| WEST | NORTH | EAST | SOUTH |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 ♦ | 1NT* | 3 ♦ | 3 ♥ |
| Dbl | Pass | Pass | Pass |

*Light take-out of diamonds

Opening lead: Ace of ♥

North-South used a homemade gadget: A one no-trump overcall to show a light take-out of the opponent's suit — 8-12 points. North had a minimum, to say the least!

On the opening lead, East followed with the two, his lowest diamond, as a suit-preference signal for clubs, the lower-ranking suit excluding the suit led and the trump suit. This is a common defensive tactic when there is a singleton in dummy. West duly shifted to the queen of clubs.

South won the ace in dummy, played a spade to his ace and ruffed a diamond on the board. A spade ruff back to his hand allowed him to ruff another diamond, and a second spade ruff back to hand let him ruff his last diamond with dummy's king of trumps. This gave declarer seven tricks — five ruffs and the two black aces. He still had the queen-jack-nine of trumps and could not be prevented from winning two more trump tricks and making his doubled contract.

South played the hand with great skill, but the contract could have been defeated. Can you see how? West should have shifted to the ace of trumps at trick two and continued with another trump. This would sacrifice his second trump trick, but he would get two tricks in return. Declarer could win four trumps in hand and one ruff in dummy, plus the two black aces, for seven tricks. He could build an eighth trick in clubs with a good guess, but nine tricks would have been out of reach.

# JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, March 30, 2014:
This year you won't tolerate obstacles for long. You naturally will veer away from problems and opt for new beginnings where your creativity, intellect and energy meet. A fellow ARIES can be demanding.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ The New Moon in your sign marks a new beginning. Consider a spontaneous choice first. Tonight: Ease up when dealing with a difficult person.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) ★★★ You have a way of saying things that affects others. See how you can frame your edgier thoughts in a different way. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ Your friends surround you. Though you might think you know the potential for fun interactions with this set of people, you have a surprise ahead. Tonight: Don't cut a good time short.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) ★★★ You could feel as if a partner is a bit narcissistic, as this person seems to want to control your bond. Tonight: A must appearance.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ News heads your way that will make you want to smile. Share what is happening with others. Tonight: Listen to a recurring dream or desire.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ You will be concerned about what is happening with a friend. You suddenly might see an increase in this person's resilience. Tonight: Be with a loved one.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ You seem to be more volatile than usual. You might decide to hold up the white flag and go for a peace treaty. Tonight: Let others decide.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ You might want to discuss a situation more openly than you have in the past. Also make time to release stress. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ Share what you might judge as being an offbeat idea. What you are likely to find is that others are not as critical as you are. Tonight: Very playful.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ You might want to realize that others want a lot more from you than you might be able to give them. Spend time with a family member. Tonight: Stay in and relax.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Reach out to someone whom you rarely have time to visit. If this person lives far away, you might decide to meet him or her halfway. Tonight: Met a pal for munchies.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ You tend to lose your self-discipline easily. You could find yourself on a dangerous shopping spree. Put a hold on this pastime for now. Tonight: Rethink purchases.

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BORN TODAY
Singer Celine Dion (1968), painter Vincent van Gogh (1853), painter Francisco Goya (1746)

# ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE

SCOTT UCONN ENIAC GEM
AIRER RODEO MONTH LDR
STREETBREAD BREWEDOIL
KISSME TIBET AERATE
HOOF WECARE TSETSE
SAVOR IBANEZ REED
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ACC BERRY MARIA IPANA
CHATROOM HERALD RURAL
LRON MUM GEE DRINK
BABA BLAMEFORM INES
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SWAMI TWISTY CLARABOW
SARAN BEANO KHAKI OBI
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# SHINYRIBS

Shinyribs performs March 21 at the Yucca.

*Photos by James Durbin*

## POETRY

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the elderly, the mistreated, but she has an affinity for the youth. For her, the youth represent what society is to become and her voice rises when she touts the benefits a younger citizen can bring to the community — especially in Midland.

"Definitely here in Midland! There are so many brilliant young people here just starved for someone to say 'I care.' I encourage freedom of speech and the open mic is a wonderful way they can voice their opinion. It's so dangerous to be apathetic and for a voice not to be heard," she said.

She encourages freedom of speech so much she keeps the text of the First Amendment in her phone.

Copeland's lack of fear has been with her since her days as a precocious child in Patricia. She raised her hand in school when she didn't know the answer, and she challenged bullies who demeaned her for her stature. In person, she has a soft voice and is always well put together with matching ensembles and a string of pearls. She doesn't look the part of rebel rouser that she has listed as her job on Facebook. She uses social media. She writes her thoughts and poems on her iPhone. Copeland is a cool cat, but she also defies expectations.

"You know, I'm retired, I could sit in my house, I don't have to do anything, but I got to. I see too much hurt and anger," she said.

Copeland has had a variety of careers from private secretary to government worker to photographer. She retired in 2005, which is also the year she published her first book. In less than a decade, she has five published books to her credit and appears in 10 poetry anthologies including the most recent "We Are the 500," a collection by West Texas poets published this month.

"I have to make a contribution," she said. "I have this overwhelming need, desire, want to do this. I have to make sure the words are out there and that I do whatever I can for young people to have the opportunity to express how they feel."

With her sympathetic perspective toward troubled or disheartened communities, Copeland only hopes her work transcends who she is.

"I don't want it to be the voice of a woman but of the people, the voice of mankind. We are all people — ages, cultures, sexual orientations, colors," she said.

And what she's discovered is her youthful counterparts are using poetry and spoken word the way she did when she began writing all those years ago.

"They're doing their own therapy because writing is therapeutic. It still is for me," she said.

## FESTIVAL

From 1H

The festival will have its second annual pet parade 3 p.m. Saturday with prize money for the top three places and honorable mention. Entry to the parade is a food donation to the Lone Star Pet Sanctuary, which will also be out for pet adoptions.

This year will mark the debut of A La Art. For a nominal fee per session, patrons can partake in artistic mini-workshops such as mixology, graphic design, children's acting and microbrewing.

Lori's Café and Taste@508 chef Timm Rogers will prepare the menu featuring an international selection of foods.

"There will be drink and food pairings with a selection of different canapés," Holeva said. "But to see the culinary arts side of it, they will be not only served, but created in front of the people."

Holeva has also added Lubbock singers the Alma Quartet to the Friday night preview party and the festival will feature live entertainment Saturday.

"I think this just reminds people that we have creative artists in our midst. People can see different types of organizations represented and that's great. Plus, we get people to come back downtown and see all the activity there now. This is such an opportunity for the Council and for the people of Midland."

*For more information, visit acmidland.org.*

## *Conservation is important behind-the-scenes part of any museum's job*

**WENDY EARLE**
*Museum of the Southwest*

One of the main reasons a museum collects objects is to be able to display and protect those objects for the next generation. Every kind of museum that acquires objects does so through purchases and donations. Art museums in particular have long relied on donations of art from individual collectors and groups. It may seem strange to those who do not work in this field that anyone would want to donate their priceless works of art for free. The reason people give objects to museums is because a key part of their missions involve caring for those objects long after the donors are gone. Through preservation and conservation, objects are able to outlast not only their makers, but also their owners. The names of these donors and artists live on in museums, creating a lasting impact on many people for decades, even centuries.

Preservation is a proactive process — making sure objects are safe to begin with. Good preservation includes keeping objects away from smoke, food, UV rays and other damaging materials; housing them in a secure and climate-controlled environment and using archival materials such as acid-free tissue paper for storage. Preservation is a constant activity that is a part of day-to-day duties of museum staff. Because of the nature of sensitive objects like artwork, and the general passage of time, even the best preservation practices are not enough and conservation needs to be undertaken at some point. Conservation is a reactive process of fixing objects that have been damaged or changed in some way. This can involve minimal actions like cleaning paintings and sculptures, removing small damage or re-stretching canvases. Sometimes objects need major conservation, which can include applying a new patina to statues or repairing broken pieces. Conservation can be undertaken for emergencies, but for the most part conservation is planned, which usually involves regular staff assessment of the condition of objects.

When it is time for an object to be conserved, this work is done by an accredited professional conservator. These individuals go through many years of specific schooling and apprenticeships to be able to fix works of art. Many smaller institutions like Museum of the Southwest do not have a conservator on staff and rely on freelance specialists. Conservators have to deal with many issues, including the chemical elements of paintings and sculpture, how works of art age and how stable they are. Art conservators especially have an array of concerns, because artists are always experimenting with new and untested materials. Some artists even use materials that are not designed to stand the test of time, such as food, polymers and rubber, which presents a real problem for museums trying to collect and preserve these works of art.

While conservation, preservation and other collection care procedures are an important and constant part of every museum's mission, they are not always visible to museum visitors. Over the next few months the Museum of the Southwest will be working with both a painting conservator and a sculpture conservator to safeguard objects for the future. A portrait of Fredda Turner Durham that normally hangs in the main entrance is being cleaned, re-stretched and reframed. Other paintings and sculptures will be conserved on a regular rotation, ensuring that the Museum of the Southwest is able to care for Midland's heritage for generations to come.

## Hearst Castle acts as backdrop for Lady Gaga video

**By Rich Lopez**
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The sweeping panoramic views and remarkable backdrops in Lady Gaga's new video are thanks mostly to the on-site location of the Hearst Castle she used for her newest video project "G.U.Y." Just shy of 12 minutes, the "ARTPOP film," which she says is a choppy medley of songs including "Venus," "ArtPop" and "Manicure," has Gaga and her gang dancing, swimming and posing their way across the grand building.

The parent company of the Reporter-Telegram is the Hearst Corporation. The video debuted March 22 on NBC.

Shot over three days in February, the video prominently features the famous Neptune Pool with its façade of an Ancient Roman temple William Randolph Hearst himself purchased in Europe and had transported to the castle. Other scenes include the Roman Pool and the Garden Terrace with guest appearances oddly enough by the Real Housewives of Beverly Hills and Bravo's Andy Cohen.

Gaga plays the role of a goddess as she floats along the tiled indoor Roman pool adorned wi.. statues of gods and heroes.

Hearst's tiled indoor Roman Pool with its breathtaking vaulted arches is covered floor to ceiling with one-inch gold and blue mosaic tiles. The Roman Pool, a tiled indoor pool, is adorned with statues of Roman gods, goddesses and heroes.

The video itself is beautiful in its imagery from Gaga as a wounded bird in the opening to her surroundings as she and her cadre of dancers take over the castle. But the video is less about the song and more about a mosaic of visuals crammed into just more than seven minutes — because four minutes of end credits is necessary. Her short films are viable art vehicles but if they don't pair with the music, then what's the point? Gaga used to be adept at putting long play videos to good use in past hits "Alejandro" and "Telephone," but here it's just pretty to watch without much more substance.

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## SOUNDBITES

*Reviews of recent releases*

**THE HOLD STEADY**
"Teeth Dreams"

The Hold Steady is a garage band at heart, but it's a two-car garage in a nice neighborhood, and there might be a Mercedes inside. Singer Craig Finn and his mates have always come across like upper-middle-class products who are usually the oldest, smartest guys at the party — and thus the ones who tell the most interesting stories. "Teeth Dreams," the Brooklyn band's sixth album, is filled with Finn's characteristically compelling characters, mostly female, as he sings about bad company, simple minds, night moves, life in the fast lane, dancing the night away and Pink Floyd. Rock doesn't come much more classic.

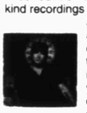
*Steven Wine/AP*

**JOHNNY CASH**
"Out Among the Stars"

Thirty years after getting shelved, a nearly forgotten Johnny Cash album is being made public for the first time. "Out Among The Stars" may not rank with the legendary material that made Cash an American icon, but it carries plenty of quality work typical of his recordings from the early 1980s, when these songs were originally cut.

*Michael McCall/AP*

**JERROD NIEMANN**
"High Noon"



Jerrod Niemann's one-of-a-kind recordings have been as adventurous as any male country singer to score a hit in the last five years. But country music doesn't always embrace experimentation. So the Kansas native has enjoyed a few hits but has struggled with consistency on the radio charts.

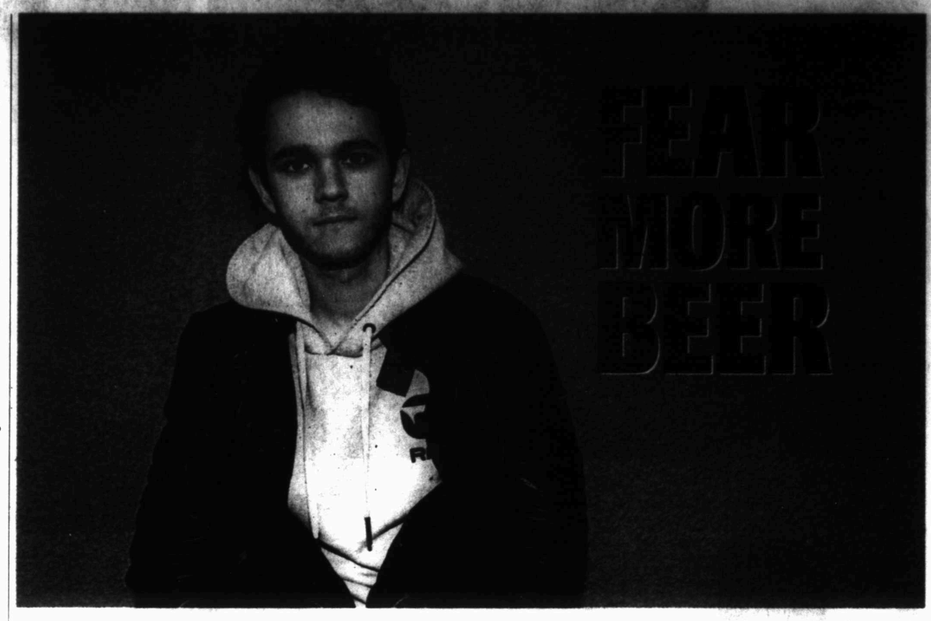
"High Noon," Niemann's third album with Arista Records, is his attempt to reign in his wilder ideas without completely ditching his daring nature.

*Michael McCall/AP*

**ELTON JOHN**
"Goodbye Yellow Brick Road (40th Anniversary Super Deluxe Edition)"

It's time to dig yet again into the Elton John archives. Ten years have passed since the release of the "Goodbye Yellow Brick Road 30th Anniversary Deluxe Edition." Happily, the four-CD, one-DVD set to commemorate the album's 40th anniversary is more than mere record label recycling. Included are a CD of "GBYBR" songs covered by contemporary artists, two discs of a 1973 concert with John and his band in top form, a handsome hardcover book and a DVD of a long out-of-print 1973 documentary.

*Steven Wine/AP*




# EDM artist Zedd takes a 'Divergent' path

**By Gerrick D. Kennedy**
*Los Angeles Times*

LOS ANGELES — In Zedd's latest club number, "Find You," he implores the listener to "turn up your night."

The Russian-born DJ and producer's electro-house number is a quintessential dance club anthem, but there's also something more at work here than just the same old party mantra.

The lyric "turn up your night" also happens to be the slogan of a new Bud Light Platinum campaign.

The song (featuring vocals by Matthew Koma and Miriam Bryant) is the lead single on the "Divergent" soundtrack, and the music video for "Find You" costars bottles of the beer. And just to make sure you didn't miss it, the track was featured in the Super Bowl ad for the beverage co-starring Zedd.

Zedd's club banger/commercial jingle is a rare case where the company didn't wait to pull a song off an artist's already-made album — they partnered ahead of time. The DJ, who is also a classically trained musician, then tailor-made the song to launch the Bud Light Platinum campaign.

"I'd never considered doing a partnership because I feel like you're in a cage that you can't get out of," said Zedd, 24, whose real name is Anton Zaslavski. "And what if you don't like it?"

But what's not to like? Zaslavski's deal bookends a breakout year that saw him go from emerging DJ-producer to marquee act.

The partnership only boosts his stock, which now includes a Grammy win for dance recording, a lengthy Las Vegas residency and a plum spot at Coachella.

When "Find You" was unveiled in January, it wasn't done through a radio premiere or leaked for bloggers, it was via a commercial that aired during the Grammys (he won his first Grammy that night, too).

Zaslavski claims the partnership is more about collaboration than corporate shilling.

"I'm a person that's very involved with everything and all of my ideas that I've just thrown out there, they have been really open to," he said, en route to Vegas for a late-night gig. "I just wanted to know what we could do together that I couldn't do by myself."

Whether it's whisking away a fan in a private jet with full VIP treatment to one of his Vegas residency gigs (which he did last month), prepping a limited Record Store Day pressing of "Find You" on vinyl in the same cobalt blue hue of the beer bottle or inserting the campaign slogan into a potential hit, Zaslavski makes it very clear he's in complete control.

"If it sounds good, we'll do it. If it doesn't work, we don't do it. It absolutely made sense in the song, it's actually one of my favorite parts," he assured when pressed about the campaign's shameless tie-in. Or putting it more bluntly, "I would never change my song just to make something fit."

Tyler Simpson, director of marketing for Bud Light extensions, echoed Zaslavski. "When we approached Zedd about working together, it was something that he kind of took and ran with on his own," he said. "It was something that he saw as an opportunity to do on his own. Linking (the song) to our campaign, that was something he led and drove."

As heavyweights like Lady Gaga, Beyonce, Alicia Keys and Jay Z have proved to varied, often controversial results, endorsement deals are the ultimate co-sign, with major brands flexing as much, if not more, promotional muscle than record labels. Once led by pop stars, rappers and rockers, EDM acts are now jumping into bed with major ad campaigns — a testament to the club genre's crossover in recent years.

"It's a good move for (Zedd) because EDM in general is catching the eye of a lot of brands, but up until very recently there haven't been too many artists that have been the face of that trend," said Andrew Hampp, who covers branding for Billboard magazine. "You're seeing Avicii becoming that, Calvin Harris to a lesser extent. Tiesto has tons of endorsement deals. For Zedd, who is kind of on the second tier of superstar DJs right now, having a major brand like Bud Light Platinum behind him and he's on camera during the Grammys (and) Super Bowl, that's a really big look."

Hampp said going the EDM route will allow the company to "get more bang for their buck." "They tried the super-superstar route last year by having Justin Timberlake and still didn't see an improvement in sales despite that showy launch campaign," he said. "By taking more of a niche route, and frankly going a route that less brands are in, I think there's more reward."

"As much as adding that line to his song could be perceived as selling out, the song is also the lead single to the 'Divergent' soundtrack, so that immediately gives it a life of its own," Hampp continued. "It makes it not seem like a jingle because it lives outside of a commercial."

In January, Zaslavski started a yearlong residency at Wynn Las Vegas, where he will play at multiple venues inside the posh resort. And like his partnership with Bud Light Platinum, it's on his terms.

"I have a very specific taste of production. We've developed my show on a big tour, and I want to bring (the production) to whatever clubs I'm playing," he said. "My show is more of a show than a DJ set. Most DJs I know, they don't prepare their sets, they just go out there and play whatever they feel like. Every song has a certain visual that we've made for that song and ... it's really a visual show more than just a DJ set in a club in Vegas."

For Zaslavski, having spent the last year on a grueling nonstop tour, the residency will give him a bit of a break from the road (he's now based in L.A.) and the stage to preview material for his next record. It will also be where he tests out his production for Coachella, though he says he hasn't thought about it yet.

"I want to stand out and do something no one else does. I am nervous ... for sure," he said. "Obviously I have to deliver."

Zaslavski may be uncertain about his Indio set, but he's just excited more will turn out to the desert to see him.

"This year I have a pretty good slot. I played two years ago, but my name was so small you needed glasses to see it," he said and laughed.

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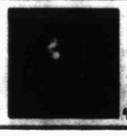
**Coming Tuesday**

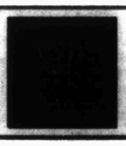
**Ronnie James Dio 'This Is Your Life'**



**Chevelle 'La Gargola'**

**Nickel Creek 'A Dotted Line'**

**The Robert Cray Band 'In My Soul'**



**Lacuna Coil 'Broken Crown Halo'**

## LIVEWIRE

### MIDLAND/ODESSA/ BIG SPRING/ANDREWS

#### March

30 **Permian Basin String Quartet Chamber Concert: Oh No! "Modern" Music** @ Wagner Noel
30 **Justin Langston, Abi Ann Hoffman, Kenton Duty** @ Grande Stadium
30 **Goodtimers, Zeb, Emily King, Tucker Binkley, Mary Mitchell** @ Music City Mall

#### April

1 **Indiegogo House the Humble** @ Blue Max
1 **Goodtimers** @ Permian Basin Dance Club
2 **Bastard Suns** @ Blue Max
2 **Audio Adrenaline, Finding Favor, Shine Bright Baby** @ New Life Chapel
3 **Adam Fears** @ Lone Star Bar
3 **Micky and the Motorcars** @ Rockin Rodeo
3 **Goodtimers** @ West Texas Dance Club
4 **3-OG** @ Cafe at Alldredge Gardens
4 **Jake Ames** @ Blue Max
4 **7 Years Today** @ Redneck's
4 **Paul Cauthen, David Beck** @ ArtiZen
4 **No Dry County, Matt Caldwell** @ Lone Star Bar
4-5 **Freeride** @ The Bar
4-5 **Who'z Drivin'** @ Your Place
5 **Aaron Einhouse** @ Lone Star Bar
5 **Callahan Divide** @ Redneck's
5 **Gloria Trevi En Concierto** @ La Hacienda
6 **Goodtimers** @ Music City Mall
8 **Michael McDonald** @ Wagner Noel
8 **Johnny & Susie Band** @ Permian Basin Dance Club
10 **Sam Riggs & The Night People** @ Rockin Rodeo
10 **Pullman Standard, Handsome as Sin** @ Pine Box (Kegger's Lounge)
11 **Tommy, Jean, Jerry & Co.** @ Midland Senior Center
11 **Chris Brazeal Band** @ Lone Star Bar
11 **Emily Herring** @ Blue Max
11 **Okkervil River, Hundred Visions** @ Yucca Theater
11 **Gladys Knight** @ Midland Collge
11-12 **Chrome Molly** @ Your Place
12 **The Soft White Sixties, Leopold and His Fiction** @ Basin Burger House
12 **Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale presents Celebrating Youth (Masterworks IV)** @ Wagner Noel
12 **The Platters** @ Ector Theatre
13 **The G****** Gallows, Walker and the Texas Dangers** @ Blue Max
13 **Tommy, Jean, Jerry & Co.** @ Music City Mall
15 **Showdown** @ Permian Basin Dance Club
17 **Hudson Moore** @ Rockin Rodeo
18 **Jeff Hopson, Jed Block** @ Blue Max
18 **Hatchet, Diamond Plate, Cellador** @ Sugars Bar (Big Spring)
19 **The Folk Family Revival** @ Basin Burger House
19 **Charlie Shafter** @ Lone Star Bar
21 **C.W. Ayon** @ Blue Max
22 **RC Entertainment** @ Permian Basin Dance Club
23 **Elysium** @ Blue Max
24 **Tommy, Jean, Jerry & Co.** @ West Texas Dance Club
24 **JB and the Moonshine Band** @ Rockin Rodeo
24 **Sweet Ghosts** @ Blue Max
24 **Texas Bucking Heat Band** @ Lone Star Bar
25 **Tommy, Jean, Jerry & Co.** @ Midland Senior Center
25 **Pat Green** @ CAF hangar
25 **John Evans** @ Lone Star Bar
25 **Jordan Minor** @ Blue Max
25 **Dara Maclean** @ Stonegate Fellowship
25 **Brandon Rhyder** @ Graham Central Station
26 **Allen Knife Fight** @ Blue Max
26 **Mark Powell & Lariat** @ Lone Star Bar
27 **Tommy, Jean, Jerry & Co.** @ Music City Mall
27 **Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale presents 'Around The World in 80 Minutes' performed by the Voices of the Permian Basin** @ Wagner Noel

### LUBBOCK

#### April

3 **Metalachi** @ Jake's Sports Cafe & Backroom
19 **Buckcherry, The Visionarys** @ The Pavilion at Lone Star Event Center

### NEW MEXICO

#### April

4 **Volbeat, Trivium, Digital Summer** @ Inn of the Mountain Gods

### DALLAS-FORT WORTH AREA

#### March

30 **Tab Benoit, Jonathon Boogie Long** @ Gas Monkey
31 **Pink Martini** @ AT&T Performing Arts Center

#### April

1-2 **Dita Von Teese** @ House of Blues
4 **Jason Aldean** @ Reunion Park
6 **Big & Rich** @ Texas Motor Speedway
19 **Ben Folds** @ AT&T Performing Arts Center

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