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GOOD DEEDS

Devon Energy's efforts land company on The Civic 50 list.

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AGGIE LEGACY

Johnny Manziel isn't sure if he'll declare for the NFL draft next month, but if he does, he's thought a lot about his legacy and wants to be remembered as someone who made a major impact for Texas A&M.

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Regents approve Division II football at UTPB

By Meredith Moriak
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West Texans soon will have another football program to watch after University of Texas System Regents on Thursday approved a Division II football program for UT Permian Basin.

With approval granted, officials at UTPB can begin executing their multi-phase Football Initiative Business Plan that calls for raising $9.5 million in private contributions to field a football team for fall 2015.

Fundraisers will likely get to work quickly because the proposal presented to regents calls for 75 percent of necessary funds — $7.12 million — to be secured by Dec. 31, 2013.

UTPB has already secured $3 million and believes businesses and individuals in the Permian Basin will provide additional financial support, UTPB President David Watts told Regents Thursday during a meeting that was streamed live online.

The addition of a football program will enhance the residential feel of UTPB, as "real football takes place with real students, in real stadiums, on real campuses," Watts said.

The plan also calls for organizing a marching band, and Watts said the football program will provide athletic training, kinesiology and music students the experience to be successful in future endeavors.

Adding a football program to UTPB is expected to help the university nearly double enrollment and meet the 2020 deadline of student enrollment greater than 8,000.

"The plan they have provided us makes sense. The goal here is to really bring athletics to West Texas and to increase enrollment at that institution," said UT System Executive Vice Chancellor Pedro Reyes.

UTPB is the only public four-year university in the West Texas region without a football program. Though regents approved the program, it will be implemented in phases and move forward to the next phase only when funds are raised, according to the business plan.

Watts was accompanied in Austin by UTPB Athletic Director Steven Aicinena, Odessa Chamber of Commerce President Mike George and UTPB Development Board member Kirk Edwards.

"There is a lot of excitement in the Odessa-Midland area for this. I am very supportive and think it's a great endeavor," said Regents Chairman Paul L. Foster.

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MORE THAN BOOKS

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Children look on during an interactive presentation of "A Pirates 12 Days of Christmas" during an open house event at the Midland County Library downtown branch on Thursday.

Officials get chance to show libraries' offerings

By Rachael Gleason
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Speakers thanked donors and patrons Thursday for making the Midland County Public Library system "the center of the universe for learning and culture."

A holiday open house Thursday evening offered light desserts, music from the Permian Basin String Quartet, children's activities and thoughts from speakers such as Trinity School Headmaster Chip Prehn, who called the holiday season a time of year when words come together in sacred story.

"If you love words, that's a great and wonderful blessing that will last your whole life," he said.

Want to go:?

Holiday Open House
When: From 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday
Where: Midland County Public Library Centennial branch

The county opened its newest Centennial branch in April, and Director John Trischetti III envisions becoming the No. 1 mid-sized library system in the country. Trischetti outlined a number of accolades, including being the first library to host the Bob Hope: An American Treasure exhibit and offer the streaming moving service Freegal Movies.

"We're about to hit our 147,000th patron, which is about the population of this county," he said. "So, in less than a year, we will have in essence served everyone."

Midland County Judge Mike Bradford called the library a place to see tax dollars at work and thanked the behind-the-scenes library workers.

"It all starts with the seed of ideas," he said.

A group of ladies in the early 20th century pushing for good schools and a library in the "Windmill City" was the seed behind the current system, which at one point operated out of the basement of the county courthouse, said

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Andrews man gets 120 years for making child pornography

By Tyler White
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Bruce Harold Callaway, 48, of Andrews, will serve 1,440 months (120 years) in federal prison for four counts of production of child pornography and two counts of production of obscene visual depiction of sexual abuse of a 5-year-old girl.

Callaway, who pleaded guilty to the six charges on Aug. 21, used his cellphone in February to take sexually explicit photos of the girl while she was in his care. There were more than 10 photos of the girl on his phone, two of which he later cropped to show only the girl's exposed genital area, according to court documents.

Callaway

Friends and family members of the victim involved in the child pornography case fought back tears as they embraced each other at the Midland federal courthouse.

The girl's grandmother read a statement in court Thursday, describing Callaway as a "monster" and a "predator" who took advantage of his relationship with the child.

"The same person that called her princess is the same person to take her innocence," she said.

Prosecutor Austin Berry described Callaway as a "hands-on offender" and urged U.S. District Judge Robert A. Junell provide the harshest sentence available for Callaway's crimes.

The U.S. Attorney argued that Callaway had a history of sexual misconduct with children that started as early as 1993.

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63/34
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WTI Posted	$94.00 –	$0.00
WTS Posted	$86.65 –	$0.00
Natural Gas	$4.409 ▲	$0.072
Gasoline	$3.046 ▲	$0.002

The big number
Mega Million jackpot hits
$400 million,
the fifth largest in U.S. history.
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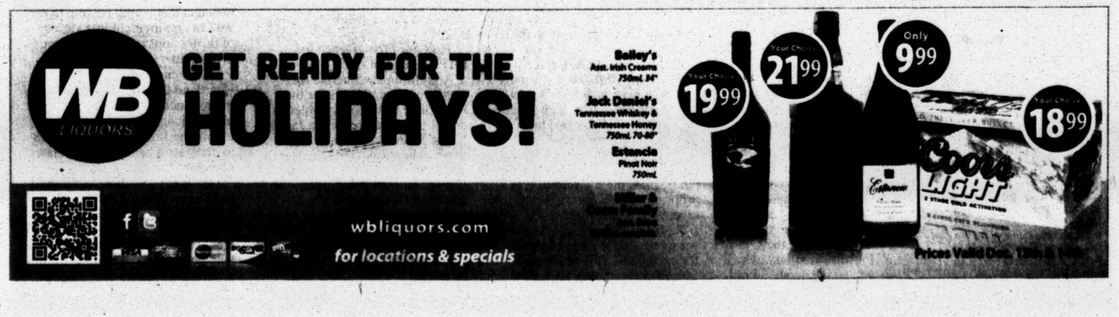

TODAY IN MIDLAND

Today is Friday the 13th

Friday the 13th is believed to be a day of bad luck. The fear of Friday the 13th is called friggatriskaidekaphobia — "Frigg" is the Norse goddess whom Friday is named after and "triskaidekaphobia" means the fear of "13". It's also known as paraskevidekatriaphobia, partly from the Greek word Friday. It is a real fear — some people who have this disorder are even too afraid to say the words "Friday the 13th".

Next Friday the 13th: June 13, 2014

Source: www.timeanddate.com

Things to do

Today

- Storytime for children age 3 to 5, 10:30 a.m., Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center. 685-7376.
- Children's event, American Girl event, 4 p.m., Barnes and Noble Booksellers. 682-8880.
- "Annie" at Cole Theatre, Midland Community Theatre. www.mctmidland.org. 570-4111.
- Zumba Party, 6-8 p.m., YMCA. 682-2551.
- Elegance Ballroom Christmas Show, 7 p.m., Elegance Ballroom. www.elegance ballroommidland.com.
- Star Party at Blakemore Planetarium. www.museumsw.org.
- Megadeth at La Hacienda. lahaciendaeventcenter.com.
- Sesame Street Live at Ector County Coliseum. www.ectorcountycoliseum.org.

Saturday

- Yuletide at the Yucca, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., Yucca Theatre. www.mctmidland.org.
- City of Midland Lighted Christmas Parade, 6:30 p.m., downtown. www.midlandtexas.gov.

Water usage

- **Wednesday's total:** 11,854,000 gallons (CRMWD 9,272,000, Paul Davis field 2,582,000)
- **Dec. 4:** 13,366,000 gallons
- Current total storage by CRMWD in its lakes is 103,025 acre-feet. (1 acre-foot is approximately 325,800 gallons). Total storage last year at this time was 161,108 acre-feet.

Movies in Midland

- **At Tall City 14:** "The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug," "Tyler Perry's A Madea Christmas"
- **At Big Sky:** "The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug."
- **At Cinergy Cinemas:** "The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug," "Tyler Perry's A Madea Christmas"

Gas prices in Midland

- **Cheapest gas:** $2.97 (Exxon, Wall Street/Midkiff Road; Flying J, I-20/SCR 1250; Flying J, Fairgrounds Road/Cloverdale)
- **Most expensive:** $3.34 (Town & Country, Andrews Highway/Boeing Drive)
- **Most common price:** $3.02
- **Cheapest prices in West Texas:** Lubbock $2.76, Abilene $2.94, San Angelo $2.94, Odessa $2.97, Midland $2.97

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Thursday	$3.047	$3.069
Last week	$3.074	$3.079
Last month	$2.985	$2.922
Last year	$3.216	$3.059

Source: TexasGasPrices.com

Vicente Fox to speak at MC

Midland College has announced that former Mexican President Vicente Fox and his wife Marta Fox will be speaking at the college's Fall 2014 Davidson Distinguished Lecture Series installment.

The lecture is tentatively scheduled for Sept. 16. Syndicated columnist Ruden Navarrette, whose column appears in the Reporter-Telegram, will be the moderator.

Source: Midland College

Lottery

Pick 3 day: 5-9-0
Pick 3 night: 2-5-6
Pick 3 day: 4-8-8
Pick 3 night: 1-4-2
Daily 4 day: 6-8-9-5
Daily 4 night: 1-3-1-6
Daily 4 day: 7-2-7-4
Daily 4 night: 4-5-4-6
Cash Five: 5-6-19-26-33
Texas Two Step: 3-22-28-35 BB: 3
All or Nothing morning: 1-2-6-9-10-11-13-18-19-20-21-22
All or Nothing day: 2-3-6-9-11-13-15-18-19-22-23-24
All or Nothing evening: 2-5-6-8-10-12-13-14-15-17-22-23
All or Nothing night: 1-4-5-6-7-12-15-16-18-19-23-24

Today in history

Today is Friday, Dec. 13, the 347th day of 2013. There are 18 days left in the year.

Today's highlight:

On Dec. 13, 2000, Democratic presidential candidate Al Gore conceded to Republican George W. Bush, a day after the U.S. Supreme Court shut down further recounts in Florida.

On this date:

In 1862, Union forces led by Maj. Gen. Ambrose Burnside launched futile attacks against entrenched Confederate soldiers during the Civil War Battle of Fredericksburg; the soundly defeated Northern troops withdrew two days later. (It was during this battle that Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee is said to have remarked: "It is well that war is so terrible, or we should grow too fond of it.")

In 1978, the Philadelphia Mint began stamping the Susan B. Anthony dollar, which went into circulation in July 1979.

Today's Birthdays: Singer Ted Nugent is 65. Actor Steve Buscemi is 56. Actor-comedian Jamie Foxx is 46. Country singer Taylor Swift is 24.

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

TIME FOR A HOLIDAY HUG

Bibiana Flores, 2, hugs Frosty the Snowman during a Partner in Education Christmas party for Bonham Elementary students and family Thursday at First Capital Bank.

STATEBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

HOUSTON

Sentence in Texas teen's fatal DWI wreck stirs ire

"Affluenza," the affliction cited by a psychologist to argue that a North Texas teenager from a wealthy family should not be sent to prison for killing four pedestrians while driving drunk, is not a recognized diagnosis and should not be used to justify bad behavior, experts said Thursday.

A judge's decision to give 16-year-old Ethan Couch 10 years of probation for the fatal accident sparked outrage from relatives of those killed and has led to questions about the defense strategy. A psychologist testified in Couch's trial in a Fort Worth juvenile court that as a result of "affluenza," the boy should not receive the maximum 20-year prison sentence prosecutors were seeking.

The term "affluenza" was popularized in the late 1990s by Jessie O'Neill, the granddaughter of a past president of General Motors, when she wrote the book "The Golden Ghetto: The Psychology of Affluence." It has since been used to describe a condition in which children — generally from richer families — have a sense of entitlement, are irresponsible, make excuses for poor behavior, and sometimes dabble in drugs and alcohol, explained Dr. Gary Buffone, a Jacksonville, Fla., psychologist who does family wealth advising.

But Buffone said in a telephone interview Thursday that the term wasn't meant to be used as a defense in a criminal trial or to justify such behavior.

"The simple term would be spoiled brat," he said.

"Essentially what he (the judge) has done is slapped this child on the wrist for what is obviously a very serious offense which he would be responsible for in any other situation," Buffone said. "The defense is laughable, the disposition is horrifying ... not only haven't the parents set any consequences, but it's being reinforced by the judge's actions."

AUSTIN

Comptroller certifies budget, reports extra $2.5 billion

The state's chief accountant says a booming Texas economy has created an extra $2.5 billion in unspent revenue.

Republican Comptroller Susan Combs on Thursday delivered lawmakers a report certifying the 2014-15 state budget passed this spring. The spending included restoring most of the $5.4 billion slashed by the Legislature in 2011 to close a massive budget shortfall.

Combs said oil and gas exploration are driving the state's fiscal fortunes. She also expects the state's rainy day fund to have a balance of about $8 billion by the end of 2015.

COLLEGE STATION

Texas A&M to begin offering journalism degree

Texas A&M University in the fall will begin offering a major in journalism, resurrecting the program a decade after it was eliminated.

University officials announced in a news release Thursday that the Faculty Senate this week approved a liberal arts degree in journalism. It will be a component of the University Studies Program, which is a degree plan designed to combine several areas of study.

College of Liberal Arts Dean Jose Bermudez said in the release that the journalism program will be academically rigorous, with students required to take two minors, one in liberal arts and one through another college.

The program will start small, admitting 25 freshmen in each of the first few years.

The degree will emphasize critical thinking, writing and an interdisciplinary approach to journalism.

AMARILLO

Officials study possible botulism in Amarillo

Public health officials are investigating a possible outbreak of botulism in Amarillo.

Dr. Roger Smalligan, public health authority for Potter and Randall counties, told the Amarillo Globe-News investigators were en route from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta.

The health district announced Wednesday that there are four probable cases of botulism, a rare, potentially fatal illness caused by a nerve toxin.

According to the CDC, an average of only 145 cases of botulism are reported annually.

Smalligan said one patient had been taken off a ventilator, but another remained, though was improving. All are adult residents of Amarillo, but there's been no conclusive link or source. He said test results to confirm the illness should be available in one to two days.

DENTON

UNLV president hired at North Texas

The University of North Texas board has officially named the president of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas as its next leader.

UNT regents voted unanimously Thursday to hire Dr. Neal Smatresk as the university's next president. He will replace V. Lane Rawlins, who is retiring at the end of 2013.

The 62-year-old Smatresk will begin the job Feb. 3.

Smatresk served as president of UNLV since 2009. UNT System Chancellor Lee Jackson said Smatresk has experience leading a university similar to UNT and is familiar with the region.

Smatresk is a native of Arlington, about 40 miles south of UNT's Denton campus.

PORN

From 1A

The courtroom was silent as Berry read letters from two sisters who claimed Callaway continuously sexually assaulted them in Durant, Okla., over the course of five to seven years.

The older of the two sisters testified in the courtroom via phone call Thursday to depict the extent of the alleged sexual abuse her and her sister endured under Callaway's care.

The alleged victim, now 26, said Callaway was dating her mother when he started inappropriately touching her all over her body when she was between the ages of 3 and 5.

The alleged victim's younger sister, now 25 years old, wrote in a letter to the court that Callaway raped her more than 300 times and frequently forced her to perform vaginal, anal and oral sex. She also said the alleged abuse may have contributed to neck and thyroid health problems that she developed later in life.

The older sister recalled one incident when Callaway entered the room to sexually assault her younger sister. She said she told Callaway that she would go with him in place of her sister to engage in sexual activity.

Following the testimony and letters, Junell described the case as "one of the most heinous offenses I've ever dealt with."

Callaway was also sentenced to supervised release for the rest of his life (should he be released from prison) and must pay a $600 special assessment fee. Berry was satisfied with Junell's sentencing and said it ensures that the defendant has no future chances of harming any other girls.

"It sends a strong message that sexual abuse of our most vulnerable citizens is intolerable and will be punished accordingly," Berry said.

Berry said the victims and their families were brave to face Callaway in court demand this kind of punishment.

The 5-year-old victim's grandmother said the sentencing was more than she anticipated but will never be enough.

"He won't ever hurt anybody again," she said.

The victim's father said he hopes that Callaway pays for the rest of his life.

UT board keeps Austin campus president Powers

Associated Press

AUSTIN — University of Texas at Austin President Bill Powers received a cautious endorsement Thursday from his frustrated chancellor that keeps him leading one of the nation's largest campuses despite two years of turmoil.

University of Texas System Chancellor Francisco Cigarroa acknowledged a "strained" relationship with Powers but expressed hope it would get better. Regents then declined to take any action against Powers, whose job has been rumored to be in jeopardy since 2011.

"There are problems. I've addressed these problems. And it is my full expectation that President Powers and I will work toward resolving them and moving ahead," Cigarroa said.

Powers refused to characterize what happened as an official vote of confidence.

"There was a question about my employment, it got resolved positively," he said.

Still uncertain is the fate of UT's other biggest figure: football coach Mack Brown. He declined to say earlier Thursday whether he is about to coach his final game, and Powers said he planned to speak with Brown soon.

Powers has led UT since 2006 and is popular among faculty and students. But his vision for higher education has clashed with some regents — sometimes dramatically — whose ideas are supported by Gov. Rick Perry.

It was the first time regents have put Powers' job on an agenda — and the timing was interesting.

One of Powers' chief critics is a UT regent facing possible impeachment by a legislative committee, which had instructed regents not to take any action on campus leadership. The meeting also coincided with questions surrounding Brown, who counts Powers among his bigger supporters.

Fan frustration is mounting after another disappointing season for the Longhorns, who haven't put together a championship-caliber team since last playing for a national title in 2009. The Longhorns end the season Dec. 30 with the Alamo Bowl in San Antonio.

It's been a bruising two years for Powers in leading the 50,000-student campus. The tension began in 2011 when Perry began pushing a series of higher education reforms that called for more accountability on state campuses and lower costs. Academics on the state's largest campuses bristled at the proposals.

Signs of discord continued into 2012, when Perry backed UT regents who rejected a tuition hike plan endorsed by Powers.

Cigarroa said his frustration with Powers stemmed from a lack of communication. He also suggested that he and Powers would agree on a course of action for the university, only to watch Powers give a public impression that the two were misaligned.

But speculation surrounding Powers had quieted recently. He bolstered his reputation in academia upon being named chairman of the Association of American Universities in October, and also received a public endorsement from new UT regents chairman Paul Foster this fall.

UTPB

From 1A

Funding football

The initial six-year cost for starting a Division II football program and playing four seasons is $9.5 million. That price tag is inclusive of all football-related costs, including scholarships and facility construction and improvement. These funds must be raised entirely through private contributions, according to the business plan.

A referendum asking UTPB students to repurpose the current $35 per semester Student Union Fee — which Watts said is no longer necessary — for the football program will go before the student body some time this spring. The fee is expected to provide the program $430,500 annually, and as a condition, students cannot be assessed any additional athletic fees during the implementation of the football program.

After the initial six-year period, sustaining a football program at UTPB is projected to cost $2,476,482 annually. These expenses will be covered by the student fee, revenue from ticket sales and subsidized by the UTPB Student Housing Auxiliary, which UTPB expects to generate $4 million in annual revenue by 2020.

In addition to the $9.5 million, which must be committed by Dec. 31, 2014, UTPB must have additional support of the football program to sustain it in future years.

If UTPB's football program is not financially sustainable within five years, the university must complete an exit plan.

Football facilities

UTPB would play home football games on Saturdays at Ector County ISD's Ratliff Stadium, which seats about 20,000. UTPB expects about only 5,000 patrons in regular attendance, according to information presented to the regents.

Both Angelo State University and Abilene Christian University's football teams play their home games off-campus in high school stadiums, and Watts said he does not plan to ask for a stadium.

"We would not be building a stadium. I can assure you, I will not be bringing forward to you a proposal for a stadium," Watts told regents on Thursday.

Ratliff rental will cost $1,500 per game, and the complete cost for each game will be about $11,687, accounting for personnel and other event staging.

Hosting five home games at Ratliff each year will cost UTPB about $58,435, and travel for 54 players and 16 coaches/staff members to six away games is budgeted at $179,760.

To provide football players with adequate facilities, UTPB will renovate existing space to create offices and locker rooms. They will also construct a practice area adjacent to the current student recreation field. Both projects are scheduled for completion by Aug. 1, 2014.

UTPB plans to construct a fieldhouse with offices, meeting and film rooms, a weight room and athletic training facilities by Aug. 1, 2015.

Time is of the essence for UTPB's fundraisers.

A preliminary timeline for significant events calls for the immediate hiring of an athletics development officer and a January hiring of an athletics administrative assistant (business manager), assistant athletic director of marketing and community relations and head football coach.

Renovation of the locker room and racquetball court, as well as construction of the field house and practice fields, are set to begin in January.

However, the business plan does dictate that if 75 percent of the $9.5 million goal is not achieved by Dec. 31, UTPB cannot proceed with hiring or construction planning in January.

Though conference affiliations for the football program have yet to be determined, Watts assured regents it would be at the Division II level.

"I personally have no ambition for Division I. DII prides itself on a balanced approach to academics and athletics. (Students) may come to us with fantasies of going on to play professionally, but the majority will develop skills in management ... and be able to do well in employment in a variety of professions upon graduation," Watts said.

UTPB currently belongs to the Heartland Conference, and information included in the business plan indicates UTPB would like to join the Lone Star Conference to generate a healthy conference schedule.

UTPB expects that the football program will bring 50 freshman football players to campus each year and another 100 students who are involved with the band, cheerleading, dance and athletic training programs.

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The Permian Basin String Quartet performs during an open house event at the Midland County Library downtown branch on Thursday.

LIBRARY

From 1A

Joan Baskin, a prominent community member who has been involved with the library for many years.

Baskin quoted the words of Laura Bush to highlight the community library's importance.

"Libraries allow children to ask questions about the world and find the answers," Baskin said. "And the wonderful thing is that once a child learns to use a library, the doors to learning are always open."

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Gregory L. Baiza, 34, of Midland, was charged Wednesday with sexual assault.

Lisa K. Belknap, 49, of Odessa, was charged Wednesday with bench warrant and theft between $1,500 and $20,000.

Aaron A. Esparza, 17, of Midland, was charged Wednesday with theft.

Valentino Franco, 25, of El Paso, was charged Wednesday with robbery.

Deonte D. Kendricks, 17, of Midland, was charged Wednesday with possession of a controlled substance between 1 and 4 grams.

Devean J. McMaryion, 25, of Dallas, was charged Wednesday with aggravated assault with a weapon on a date, family or household member and possession of a controlled substance between 1 and 4 grams.

Robert I. Richards, 34, of Midland, was charged Wednesday with possession of a controlled less than 1 gram.

Mercus R. Sockey, 30, of Midland, was charged Wednesday with burglary of a habitation and evading arrest and detention with a previous conviction.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

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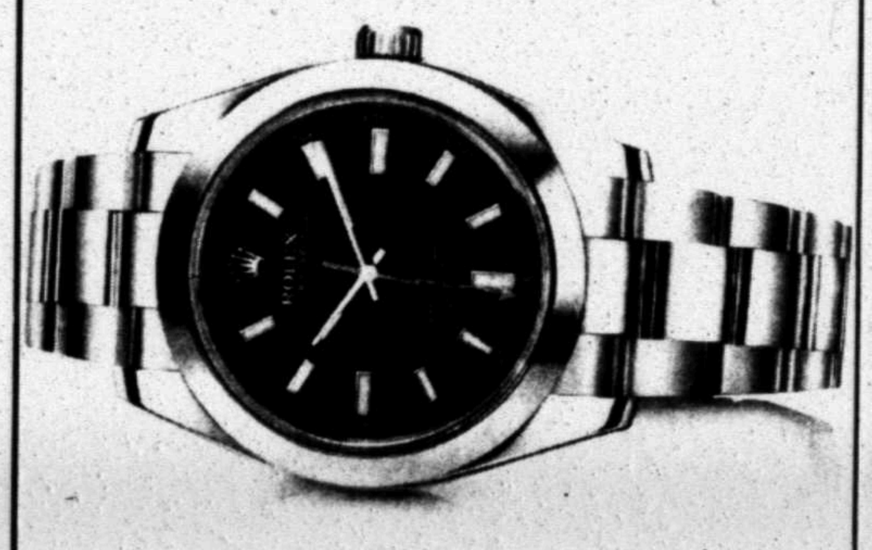

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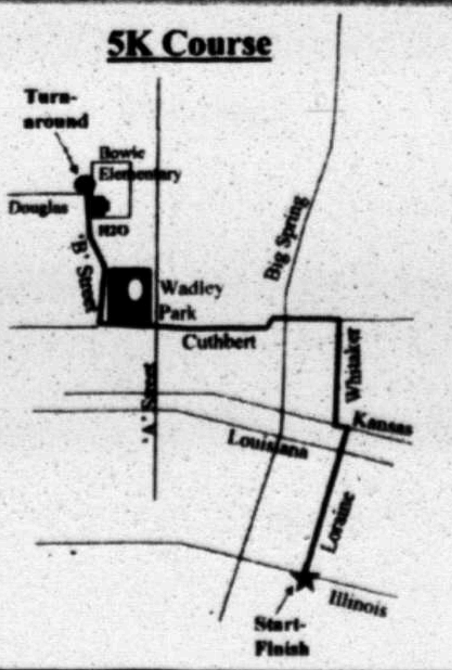

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Following revamp, Mega Millions hits $400M jackpot

Associated Press

DES MOINES, Iowa — Outshined by massive jackpots since Powerball doubled the cost of its tickets last year, Mega Millions enacted big changes to inflate its jackpots and lure customers who only play when the pots get huge — and the revamp appears to be working.

The Mega Millions jackpot for tonight's drawing is an estimated $400 million. It is the second-largest Mega Millions jackpot ever, trailing only a $656 million jackpot won in March 2012, and the fifth largest lottery jackpot of any kind in U.S. history.

Whereas Powerball jackpots started ballooning more quickly after the game increased its ticket price in January 2012 from $1 to $2, Mega Millions operators kept the price of a ticket at $1. But in October, Mega Millions significantly lowered the odds of winning the jackpot, thereby increasing the chances of it rolling over.

The current jackpot has rolled over 20 times without a winner.

"The revamp has given us a game that has a better chance of rolling and growing more quickly," said Paula Otto, the Virginia Lottery's executive director and Mega Millions' lead director. "There's some things we can control, there's some things that we can't control. Of the things we can control, those changes seem to be working."

Scott Byerly, a 47-year-old programmer from the Des Moines suburb of Ankeny, said he frequently plays Mega Millions and Powerball. He purchased tickets for both Thursday morning at a Des Moines convenience store, even though Powerball's jackpot had reset to its base amount of $40 million because Wednesday's drawing for an estimated $122 million jackpot matched winning tickets sold in Nebraska and Massachusetts.

"How do I feel about a $400 million jackpot? The same as I feel about $20 million. I won't win," said Byerly. "I'm buying the tickets to daydream. That entertainment value is worth 2 or 3 bucks."

Mega Millions, which originally was played in 12 states, expanded its reach alongside Powerball after a 2010 licensing agreement. Both games are now played in 43 states, plus the District of Columbia and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

While Mega Millions remains $1 a ticket, five of the six numbers needed for a jackpot win now range from 1 to 75, instead of the previous 1 to 56. The sixth number, which is the gold Mega Millions ball, is now from 1 to 15 in the revamp, instead of 1 to 46. The changes decreased the odds of winning the Mega Millions jackpot from about 1 in 176 million, which is nearly the odds of winning Powerball's jackpot, to roughly 1 in 259 million.

Man gets 145 years for child sex assaults

Associated Press

RACINE, Wis. — A Wisconsin man who recorded himself sexually assaulting six young children gave a slight smirk as a judge admonished him for his crimes, leaving the judge taken aback for a moment before he sentenced the Racine man to the maximum 145 years in prison.

Alexander R. Richter, 30, had just apologized for molesting a 2-year-old girl and five other young children. He also acknowledged that his words could do nothing to undo the damage he'd caused. But the corner of his mouth turned upward slightly as Judge Timothy Boyle recounted Richter's comments to a pre-sentencing investigator.

"You said you feel sorry for (the children), that you ruined their whole lives. But you smiled as you said it," Boyle noted. He paused for a moment and then noted with incredulity, "You're smiling now!"

Richter pleaded no contest in September to four charges related to child sexual assault. In exchange prosecutors agreed to recommend a sentence of 80 years. A no contest plea is not an admission of guilt but is treated as such for the purposes of sentencing.

Boyle, who was not bound by the terms of the agreement, noted that Richter would be 110 by the time his sentence ended, adding that crimes as depraved as his deserved an even harsher penalty to ensure he died behind bars.

The strongest evidence against Richter were his own videos, which he recorded while molesting at least six children ages 2 1/2 to 6. Prosecutors say Richter's pedophilic crimes began when he was a teenager and that there might be other victims who haven't been identified.

Richter even titled one of the DVDs the videos were found on "Monster Unleashed." It showed multiple scenes of Richter abusing three related girls and separate scenes with a young boy, the complaint said.

One video showed a naked girl crying and fighting off Richter, the criminal complaint said.

Boyle hesitated to even mention the DVD's title, noting that three anguished relatives of the victims were huddled together in the courtroom. The relatives declined to speak before or after the sentencing. One family provided a written statement to the judge, but he did not divulge its contents.

Before he was sentenced Richter, clad in an orange prison jumpsuit, offered a quiet apology.

"I'd just like to say I'm sorry," he said. "It doesn't even feel like that should be good enough for the court."

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Debate on plane cellphone calls moves on, gets bigger

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Just because it's safe to use cellphones on a plane, it doesn't mean that passengers should call just to say hello.

That argument played out across Washington Thursday as one government agency moved a step closer to removing its prohibition of in-flight calls while another considered a new ban of its own.

The Federal Communications Commission voted 3-2 to start a months-long public comment process to remove its restriction.

"There is a need to recognize that there is a new technology," said FCC chairman Thomas Wheeler. "This is a technical rule. It is a rule about technology. It is not a rule of usage."

But the Department of Transportation, which oversees aviation, isn't so sure that permitting calls "is fair to consumers" and will consider creating its own ban as part of its consumer protection role.

"Over the past few weeks, we have heard of concerns raised by airlines, travelers, flight attendants, members of Congress and others who are all troubled over the idea of passengers talking on cell phones in flight — and I am concerned about this possibility as well," DOT Secretary Anthony Foxx said in a statement.

Calls during flights have been prohibited for 22 years over fears that they would interfere with cellular networks on the ground. Technological advances have resolved those concerns, which is one reason Wheeler wants to repeal the rule. He also wants the airlines, not the government, to have final say on in-flight calling.

But even Wheeler acknowledged the potential annoyance factor.

"I'm the last person in the world who wants to listen to somebody talking" while flying across the country, Wheeler told a House subcommittee Thursday.

The FCC proposal comes just weeks after the Federal Aviation Administration lifted its ban on using personal electronic devices such as iPads and Kindles below 10,000 feet, saying they don't interfere with cockpit instruments.

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OPINION

The president's oblivious state is shocking

■ Name a problem on his watch, and Obama is clueless on how it could have been his fault

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In explaining the disastrous rollout of Obamacare, President Obama told Chris Matthews he had discovered that "we have these big agencies, some of which are outdated some of which are not designed properly.'

An interesting discovery to make *after* having consigned the vast universe of American medicine, one-sixth of the U.S. economy, to the tender mercies of the agency bureaucrats at the Department of Health and Human Services and the Internal Revenue Service.

Most people become aware of the hopeless inefficiency of sclerotic government by, oh, 17 at the department of motor vehicles. Obama's late discovery is especially remarkable considering that he built his entire political philosophy on the rock of Big Government, on the fervent belief in the state as the very engine of collective action and the ultimate source of national greatness. (Indeed, of individual success as well, as in "If you've got a business — you didn't build that. Somebody else made that happen.")

This blinding revelation of the ponderous incompetence of bureaucratic government came just a few weeks after Obama confessed that "what we're also discovering is that insurance is complicated to buy." Another light bulb goes off, this one three years after passing a law *designed* to force millions of Americans to shop for new health plans via the maze of untried, untested, insecure, unreliable online "exchanges."

This discovery joins a long list that includes Obama's rueful admission that there really are no shovel-ready jobs. That one came *after* having passed his monstrous $830 billion stimulus on the argument that the weakened economy would be "jump-started" by a massive infusion of shovel-ready jobs. Now known to be fictional.

Barack Obama is not just late to discover the most elementary workings of government. With alarming regularity, he professes obliviousness to the workings of his own government. He claims, for example, to have known nothing about the IRS targeting scandal, the AP phone records scandal, the NSA tapping of Angela Merkel. And had not a clue that the centerpiece of his signature legislative achievement — the online Obamacare "exchange," three years in the making — would fail catastrophically upon launch. Or that Obamacare would cause millions of Americans to lose their private health plans.

Hence the odd spectacle of a president expressing surprise and disappointment in the federal government — as if he's not the one running it. Hence the repeated no-one-is-more-upset-than-me posture upon deploring the nonfunctioning website, the IRS outrage, the AP intrusions and any number of scandals from which Obama tries to create safe distance by posing as an observer. He gives the impression of a man on a West Wing tour trying out the desk in the Oval Office, only to be told that he is president of the United States.

The paradox of this presidency is that this most passive bystander president is at the same time the most ideologically ambitious in decades. The sweep and scope of his health care legislation alone are unprecedented. He's spent billions of tax money attempting to create, by fiat and ex nihilo, a new green economy. His (failed) cap-and-trade bill would have given him regulatory control of the energy economy. He wants universal preschool and has just announced his unwavering commitment to slaying the dragon of economic inequality, which, like the poor, has always been with us.

Obama's discovery that government bureaucracies don't do things very well creates a breathtaking disconnect between his transformative ambitions and his detachment from the job itself. How does his Olympian vision coexist with the lassitude of his actual governance, a passivity that verges on absenteeism?

What bridges that gap is rhetoric. Barack Obama is a master rhetorician. It's allowed him to move crowds, rise inexorably and twice win the most glittering prize of all. Rhetoric has changed his reality. For Obama, it can change the country's. Hope and change, after all, is a rhetorical device. Of the kind Obama has always imagined can move mountains.

That's why his reaction to the Obamacare website's crash-on-takeoff is so telling. His remedy? A cross-country campaign-style speaking tour. As if rhetoric could repeal *that* reality.

Managing, governing, negotiating, cajoling, crafting legislation, forging compromise. For these — this stuff of governance — Obama has shown little aptitude and even less interest. Perhaps, as Valerie Jarrett has suggested, he is simply too easily bored to invest his greatness in such mundanity.

"I don't write code," said Obama in reaction to the website crash. Nor is he expected to. He is, however, expected to run an administration that can.

OUR VIEW

Ex-Midland High star Goodley shows off amazing skills at Baylor

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■ **For Antwan Goodley.** The former Midland High Bulldog and current Baylor Bear was a unanimous selection to the Associated Press' All-Big 12 first team.

He really was an easy pick. The receiver led the Big 12 with 109.9 yards receiving per game. The Bears also won the Big 12 championship and claimed a berth in the Fiesta Bowl. Goodley played a big role in the conference-clinching victory with eight catches, 114 yards and a score (one of 13 this season). The junior also was a semifinalist for the Biletnikoff Award, given to the top receiver in the country.

■ **For Dan Anderson.** The Midlander is putting his name where his heart is and giving the Libertarian Party a reason to be excited in West Texas. Anderson announced he will challenge Tom Craddick for state representative. While it will be difficult to imagine an Anderson victory in the pro-Craddick region, the voters ultimately will decide, and Anderson makes the process better by getting more ideas out there. An electorate that has to think about issues and candidates is better than the alternative.

■ **For better weather than last weekend.** It's time for Midlanders to celebrate the holiday season as a community, and it appears Mother Nature agrees. Among the seasonal events taking place Saturday include the Ugly Christmas Sweater Run at the Museum of the Southwest, www.museumsw.org., a Christmas Open House at the Midland County Public Library Centennial branch and the city of Midland Lighted Christmas Parade. Yes, the low temperatures Saturday night could dip into the mid-20s. But cold weather, we can handle. Icy weather? Not so much.

■ **For Christmas for Our Troops.** The nonprofit, which sends care packages to military personnel deployed to combat areas, shipped off 2,500 boxes on Wednesday. What an awesome job. Since its inception, Christmas for Our Troops has delivered around 14,500 boxes or 54 tons of goodies/necessities for the troops. This is just another instance of how this community stands behind members of the armed forces. We want to thank Scott Davis, the organization's chairman, and his volunteers for all they do for our military. Keep up the good work.

■ **For Carver Center second-grader Clara Sumner.** The student at Midland ISD's gifted and talented school exhibited real creativity when she proposed making a Christmas tree entirely out of duct tape. Her proposal became a schoolwide project that found its way to the Museum of the Southwest. Each grade level was responsible for one aspect of the tree — from leaves, lights and ornaments, to garland, a tree skirt and gifts. How cool is that? To see the students' creation, visit the museum at 1705 W. Missouri Ave., or www.museumsw.org.

■ **For Kelsey Logan Angel Fund.** The nonprofit that distributes "love gifts" to children cancer patients recently granted the wish of Midlander Aaron Griffin, who has a rare type of bone cancer. The 13-year-old homeschool student requested a laptop on which to play games, watch movies and Skype with his friends while he is hospitalized for treatments. We hope this gift cheers up Aaron while he is in the hospital. And we praise Brad and Pam Logan, founders of the Kelsey Logan Angel Fund, for their efforts in helping these youngsters.

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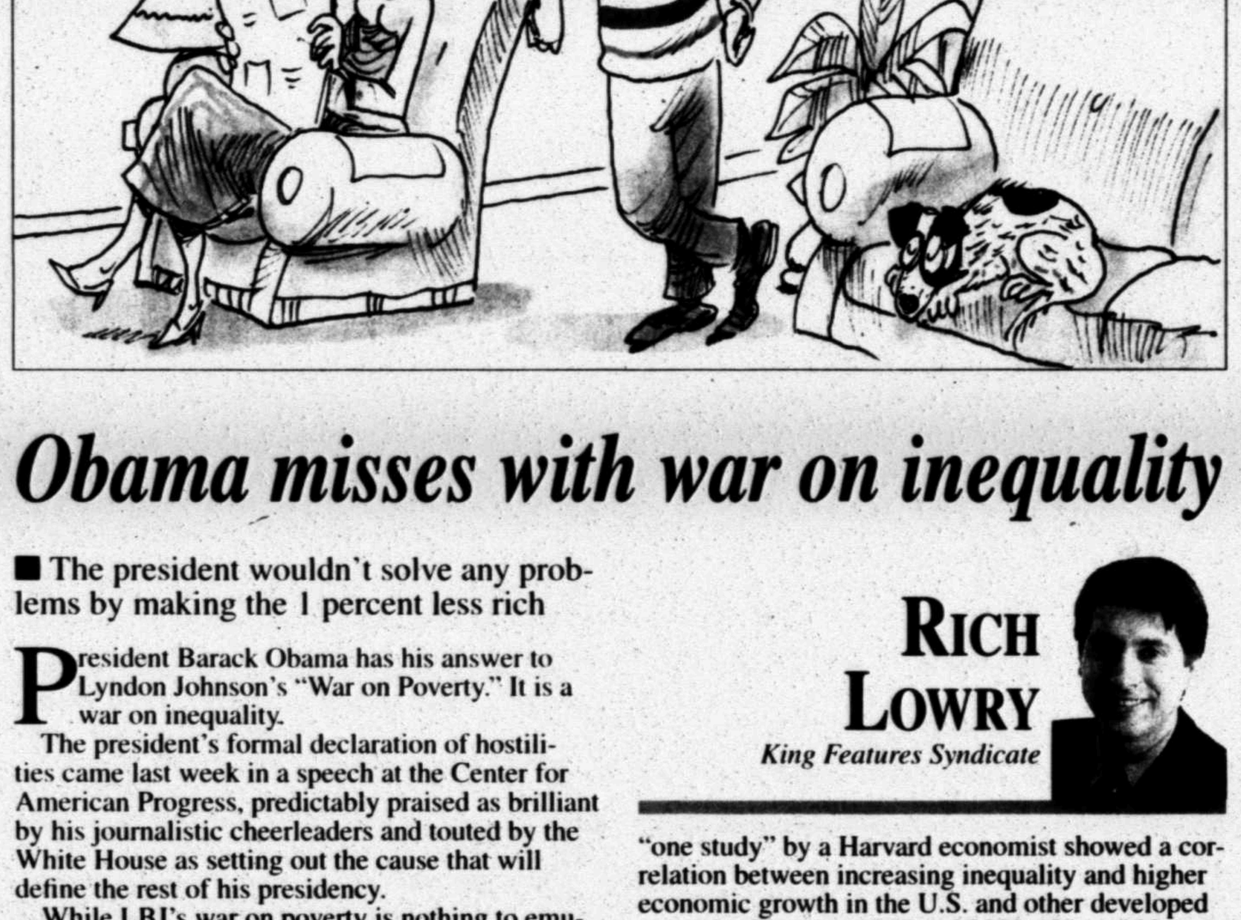
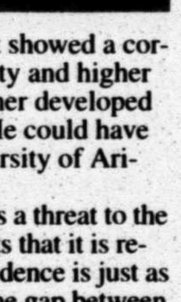


Obama misses with war on inequality

■ The president wouldn't solve any problems by making the 1 percent less rich



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President Barack Obama has his answer to Lyndon Johnson's "War on Poverty." It is a war on inequality.

The president's formal declaration of hostilities came last week in a speech at the Center for American Progress, predictably praised as brilliant by his journalistic cheerleaders and touted by the White House as setting out the cause that will define the rest of his presidency.

While LBJ's war on poverty is nothing to emulate — it costs $900 billion a year, yet has manifestly failed in the stated goal of uplifting the poor — at least it had a clear, compelling rationale. Who can disagree that it would be better if fewer Americans were poor? Obama's implicit argument is that it would be better if fewer Americans were rich, or at least if they weren't quite so offensively rich.

He relied on dubious research and tendentious analysis to make his case, without ever admitting what, for him, must be the crux of the matter. Surely, income inequality offends his egalitarian sense of justice and aesthetics, and even if he didn't believe it had harmful real-word effects, he would wish the top 1 percent weren't so wealthy as a social good in and of itself.

There is no doubt that we long ago exited the economic Golden Age of the mid-20th century, and we aren't going to return to it. President Obama could give a speech about that and never need to make a questionable claim. But he wants to make a case for war.

In his speech, the president said that inequality is bad for the economy and cited "one study" showing that greater income inequality means more fragile growth and more frequent recessions. Of course, "one study" can show almost anything. The study in question analyzed developing economies. Scott Winship of the Manhattan Institute points out a review of the literature by the Center for American Progress stipulated, "Ultimately, data and methodological issues mean that analyses are too imprecise to deliver definitive answers to this old and central question in economics research."

Needless to say the president didn't mention any such caveat. He could just as easily have said that "one study" by a Harvard economist showed a correlation between increasing inequality and higher economic growth in the U.S. and other developed countries between 1960 and 2000. He could have said that "another study" by a University of Arizona showed much the same thing.

To maintain that rising inequality is a threat to the American Dream, the president insists that it is reducing income mobility. Here the evidence is just as weak. According to Scott Winship, the gap between the middle class and the poor hasn't grown much during the past few decades. It has been the very top of the income distribution that has gained the most. Has this diminished mobility?

Winship crunched the numbers for men born in the early 1980s, who experienced widening income inequality, and compared them to men born around 1950, and found almost no difference. "Among those raised in the bottom quarter of the family-income distribution," he writes in the journal National Affairs, "the fraction escaping the bottom fourth of earnings as adults fell from 63 percent to 60 percent, a decline too small to be reliably different from zero."

America does indeed have a serious mobility problem, especially in getting people out of poverty. But it has nothing to do with a small fraction of people being spectacularly rich. Mark Zuckerberg could be stripped of all his wealth tomorrow, and it wouldn't help anyone further down the income ladder. It wouldn't increase wages, or reduce out-of-wedlock child rearing, or lead to less incarceration, or revive the work ethic, all of which would enhance mobility and lift more people into the middle class. It would just make Mark Zuckerberg poor.

Which is why Obama's war on inequality is so misconceived. We aren't beset by a wealthy 1 percent destroying opportunity and immiserating the rest of the country. The president needs to reconsider his casus belli.

From the Left | Doonesbury

From the Right | Mallard Fillmore

Gridlock persists in the Senate; progress in the House

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A budget agreement between key Republicans and Democrats. Even President Barack Obama was on board. All without anyone threatening to repeal this or shut down that.

Gridlock, however briefly, took an early holiday in the bitterly polarized, Republican-run House.

But across the Capitol, the high-minded Senate remained in the grip of some of the worst partisan warfare in its history after majority Democrats curbed the Republicans' power. A round-the-clock talkathon is the result, putting no one in the mood for cooperation. Majority Leader Harry Reid threatened to shorten the Senate's cherished Christmas vacation if need be.

A Republican called his bluff. "What's new about that? What's even threatening about that?" challenged Sen. Mike Johanns, R-Neb.

Traditionally effective prods to action are often less so in the divided, crisis-managed Congress. Lawmakers have lurched from sequester to shutdown over spending, national health care and more in the three years since Republicans won control of the House with a sizable group of newcomers reluctant to compromise. Their approach proved costly — to the nation's credit rating, to Congress' standing among voters and to the GOP, which took the brunt of public blame for the partial government shutdown in October.

The scene has been no better in the Senate. What remained of that chamber's deliberative nature blew apart last month when majority Democrats, citing GOP obstructionism, curtailed the Republicans' power to block some presidential nominees. Republicans have tried this week to do what they can to protest, but Reid's slate of 11 nominations didn't appear in peril. Early Thursday morning, the Senate approved the first of those, voting 51-44 to confirm Cornelia "Nina" Pillard to the influential U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.

President Barack Obama praised the confirmation of Pillard, the second judge seated on the D.C. Circuit this week, noting that Pillard would give the court five active female judges for the first time.

"Throughout her career, Ms. Pillard has displayed an unwavering commitment to justice and integrity," Obama said.

Democrats continued their promised march of confirmation votes on Thursday morning, approving Chai Rachel Feldblum to be a member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission by a vote of 54-41. Two Republicans — Sens. Susan Collins, of Maine, and Lisa Murkowski, of Alaska — voted for Feldblum.

The string of roll calls continued Thursday with a 70-29 vote confirming Elizabeth A. Wolford to be a U.S. district judge for the Western District of New York, a 79-19 vote confirming Landya B. McCafferty for a district judgeship in the U.S. District of New Hampshire, and a 57-41 vote to confirm Patricia M. Wald to be a member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board. Procedural votes and confirmation votes on district judges and other government officials were planned throughout the day.

Amid the marathon of confirmation votes, Republicans used another tool to poke Democrats and slow nominations by invoking a rule that can stop Senate committees from meeting if they start more than two hours after the chamber convenes for the day. Republicans were able to scuttle three scheduled meetings on nominations — two of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and one of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Still, with the 2014 midterm election year fast approaching, there was something unexpected this week: Instead of the standoffs, demands and disrespect that have become routine, key Republicans and Democrats announced a budget deal. Authored by Rep. Paul Ryan, R-Wis., and Sen. Patty Murray, D-Wash., and quickly endorsed by Obama, the agreement would avert another government shutdown in January and reverse $63 billion in across-the-board spending cuts. It would offset the higher spending with $85 billion over a decade from higher fees and modest curbs on government benefit programs.

What's more, House conservatives didn't kill it outright, although some grumbled about the spending levels. Liberals, meanwhile, complained that the deal would not include an extension of unemployment benefits set to expire Dec. 28 for 1.3 million Americans.

But the deal survived the day.

The negotiators spoke Wednesday of finding common ground, however narrow, in pursuit of a larger goal.

"On balance, my view is this is a step forward," said Rep. Chris Van Hollen, D-Md. "A small one, but a step forward."

House passes farm law extension

The House has passed an extension of farm law until the end of January as lawmakers try to finish work on a new five-year farm bill.

Both the Senate and the House have passed farm bills this year, but they differ on how much to cut the nation's food stamp program and how to restructure farm subsidies.

The House passed the extension amid fears that the expiration of dairy subsidies at the end of the year will cause milk prices to rise. But Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack has assured Congress that will not happen before the end of January.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid has said the Senate will not pass an extension because it is unnecessary. Some senators argue an extension could reduce pressure to pass a farm bill.

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COLORADO

Professor suspended after silent protest

BOULDER — A Colorado university has suspended a religious studies professor whose silent protest against racial bias led to complaints about his refusal to speak during classes.

Naropa University professor Don Matthews said he launched the protest on the Boulder campus during his classes last week, the Boulder Daily Camera reported Wednesday.

He said he walked around with a piece of paper explaining his protest and answered questions during the last 10 or 15 minutes of his classes to make sure students understood their assignments.

Matthews, who is black, said he filed a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights after several other African-American faculty members and administrators left the university. Matthews cited bias and racism at the school. He could not be reached for further comment by The Associated Press.

Naropa President Charles Lief told the newspaper that administrators had received more than 30 complaints from students against Matthews in the past 18 months.

Lief also said the suspension had nothing to do with Matthews' race. However, he acknowledged the university has work to do on issues of diversity.

"If this was a completely random set of circumstances and facts, and nobody had a clue if the faculty member was male, female, African American, white, whatever, we would have taken the same steps," Lief said. "We're not looking for him to leave. We want him to stay."

Lief was not immediately available for further comment to the AP.

He told the newspaper that 17 percent of Naropa students identify as students of color, which includes African-American students, Native-American students, Hispanic students and those who identify as mixed race.

MICHIGAN

Hunter details week stranded in Alaska

GRAND LEDGE — A Michigan hunter who spent a harrowing week stranded in the Alaskan wilderness with no food, shelter or warm clothes has attributed his survival to luck, guile and faith.

Adrian Knopps was stranded for seven days in September after his hunting partner, Garrett Hagen, drowned while boarding their boat.

Knopps became sleep-deprived, hallucinated and slipped into hypothermia. Resigned that he would die, the 51-year-old electrician from Grand Ledge carved a farewell message on his rifle and collapsed.

That's when a Coast Guard helicopter came to his rescue.

"It probably was the most wonderful sound I ever heard," he told The Detroit News.

Knopps, who shared a river delta with bears and wolves, was pelted by rain the entire time, including a storm that packed 70-mph winds. Because of the wet conditions, he rarely sat or lay down, sleeping three hours all week. During high tide, Knopps clutched the upright roots of an overturned tree while surrounded by a mile of water in all directions.

"You try to live one moment at a time and do what you have to," he said.

A Coast Guard official said it was remarkable that Knopps made it out alive.

"It's a testament to the human will to live," said Cmdr. Pete Melnick, operations officer at the Coast Guard Air Station in Sitka.

Knopps, a longtime hunter who grew up in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, said he never felt alone, talking aloud to God the whole time.

He also thought about his wife, two grown sons and granddaughter.

Using a hunting knife, he carved a message on the stock and butt of his rifle. It read: "A. Knopps stuck on river tidal flat for 5 days. Cold wet no food."

He hung the rifle on the branch of another toppled tree. If he died, Knopps hoped it would be found by a hunter who would pass it along to his family.

Knopps still has nerve damage that is expected to last for months. He can't walk very far without resting.

But that hasn't stopped him from returning to the wilderness. Two months after his rescue, he went on an annual hunting trip with his brother and brother-in-law.

"I love hunting. I love the woods," he said. "I can't just stop doing the things I really like in life."

COLORADO

'Sexual harassment' dropped from boy's record

CANON CITY — Officials at a Colorado school where a 6-year-old boy was suspended for kissing a girl dropped the term "sexual harassment" from the boy's record, instead calling the behavior misconduct after his parents and the principal met to discuss the issue.

The girl's mother, Jade Masters-Ownbey, told the Canon City Daily Record on Wednesday that the school district did a great job protecting her daughter from repeated harassment from the boy.

First-grader Hunter Yelton was given a two-day suspension, with a sexual harassment infraction on his discipline record. The boy's mother, Jennifer Saunders, insisted the punishment was too harsh, and school officials agreed to reconsider.

The incident stems from when the boy kissed a female classmate on the cheek and later kissed the same girl on the hand.

The boy was placed on suspension for the first incident, his mother, Jennifer Saunders, told the Daily Record on Tuesday, and he was placed on a two-day suspension last week for the second infraction.

Both instances were originally categorized as sexual harassment.

FLORIDA

Feds joins battle on citrus disease

ST. PETERSBURG — The federal government is getting involved in the fight against citrus greening disease, in hopes of saving Florida's — and possibly the entire nation's — citrus crop.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture announced Thursday that it's creating an "emergency response framework" to battle citrus greening. It will gather various groups, agencies and experts to coordinate and focus federal research on fighting the disease.

"We really need to be coordinating more effectively within the USDA and more importantly, with the citrus industry and state and local officials," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. He added that since he came into office in 2009, the agency has spent nearly $250 million on researching and tracking the disease.

The citrus greening bacteria, which is spread by an insect, causes trees to produce green, disfigured and bitter fruits by altering nutrient flow to the tree, eventually killing it. It threatens Florida's $9 billion citrus industry. Growers and scientists suspect that many of Florida's 69 million citrus trees are infected, with some estimates as high as 75 percent. This year's orange crop is expected to be the smallest in 24 years, largely due to greening.

"If we don't find a cure soon, we won't be growing oranges in Florida much longer," Sen. Bill Nelson, D-Fla., said.

The new USDA group will help coordinate and prioritize federal research with the industry's efforts to combat the disease.

The USDA will also provide $1 million to support research projects and will launch a new section on its website about greening that will serve as an information clearinghouse.

FAITH & PHILANTHROPY

THIS WEEK

SHOOT FOR CYCLES Jake's Clays is hosting its Shoot from the Heart Bicycle Roundup today for the Salvation Army.

HOMECOMING Actor and musician Michael Arden returns to the MCT stage on Sunday for a concert to benefit MAAS.

NEW BISHOP Pope Francis names new bishop for Diocese of San Angelo.

COMING SOON

CHRISTMAS MIRACLE Volunteers will hand out food baskets for adults and bicycles for children at Miracle on Tyler Street.

See more calendar items on page 5B.

GOOD NEIGHBORS

PARTY WITH A PURPOSE Local businesses The Boardroom, Torino's Pizza Bar, Redneck's Drafthouse, The Wine Rack, Woofers and Tweeters and Triple Threat Sports Bar raised $3,600 for Toys for Tots.

POUNDS OF FOOD H-E-B donated 30,000 pounds of corn flakes and instant potatoes this week to West Texas Food Bank.

IN NEED

TOY DROPOFF Several local motorcycle clubs will be meeting at Riley's Bar & Grill Saturday between 5 p.m. and closing to drop off toys for children in the Casa de Amigos program.

FOOD FOR FINES Midland and Ector County libraries are extending their Food for Fines programs through December.

DECK THE HALLS Jack in the Box restaurants are selling $1 holiday ornaments to benefit Big Brothers Big Sisters of Midland through Dec. 31.

STAYING WARM Fix it with Frosting is partnering with Jesus House in Odessa to supply coats, blankets, gloves and other cold weather items to the local homeless population. Donated items can be dropped off at Fix it with Frosting at Midland Park Mall.

COLD WEATHER CLOTHING The Midland Senior Center is sponsoring a cold weather clothing drive for the Baptist Crisis Center and Area Missions Outreach Service. Coats, jackets, sweaters and blankets can be dropped off at the center, 3303 W. Illinois Ave.

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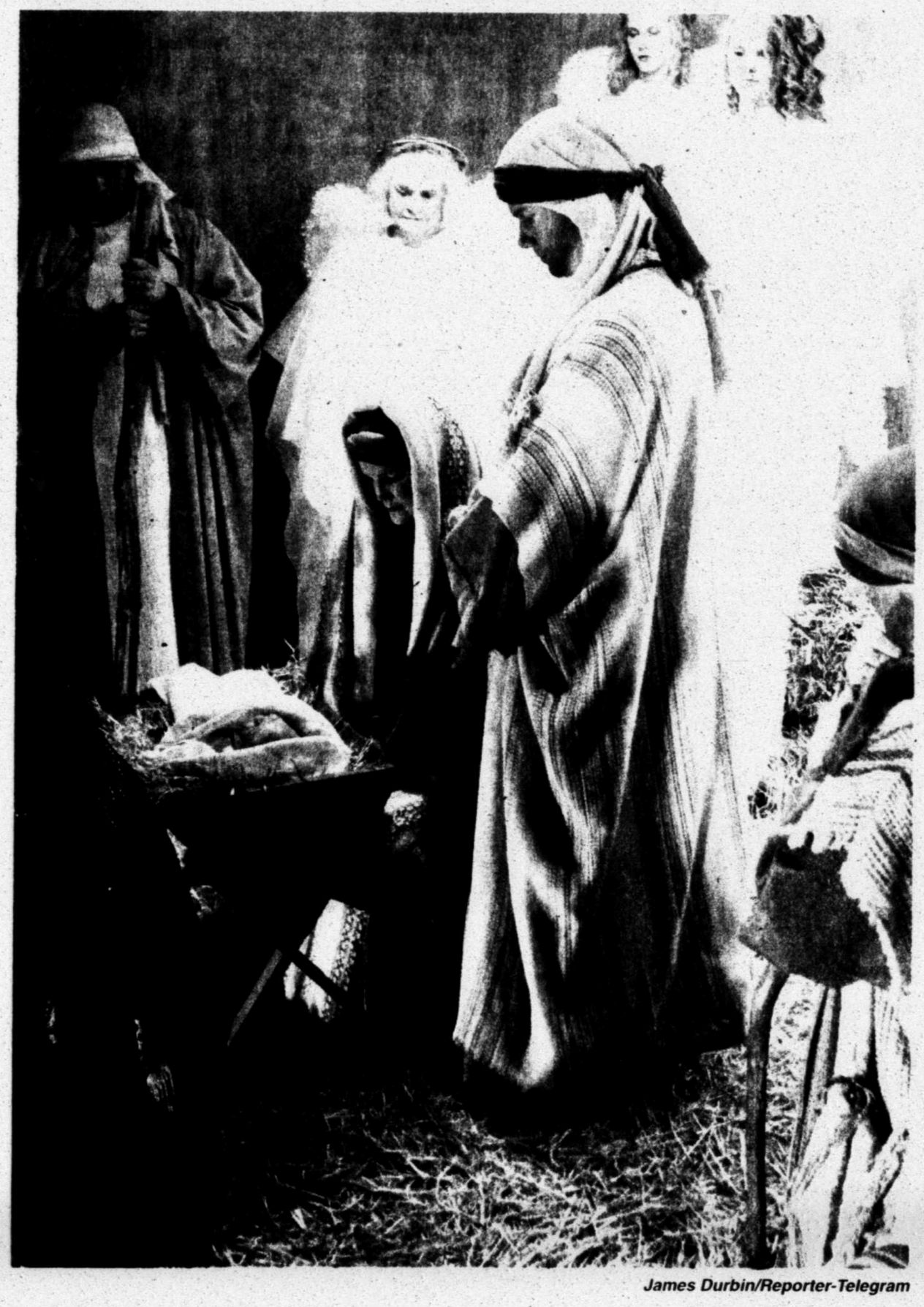

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First Baptist Church presents a live nativity scene Wednesday outside the church on the corner of Cuthbert Avenue and N Street.

First Baptist Church to hold Living Nativity

By Ragini Venkatasubban
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It takes nearly 45 actors and countless other volunteers to put together First Baptist Church's Living Nativity, an annual Christmas tradition in Midland.

Gail Storrie and her husband, Jim, have organized the nativity nearly every year since it began in 1975. This year's Living Nativity will take place from 7-8 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday at 2200 W. Cuthbert Ave., a vacant lot at the corner of N Street and Cuthbert Avenue belonging to First Baptist Church.

If you go

Living Nativity by First Baptist Church
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Each year hundreds of people attend the Living Nativity, which features a live, outdoor representation of a Nativity scene in a stable built by church volunteers. In the 1970s, the event started on the west lawn of First Baptist Church. Storrie said she and her husband decided to organize the Living Nativity after many years of seeing Nativities with figurines at the church.

"We thought, why not have real people out there to be the figures that represent Mary and Joseph and the baby, the wise men and the

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Midland father collects baseball caps for children, adults with special needs

By Ragini Venkatasubban
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When Midland resident Larry Cox decided to collect baseball caps for individuals with special needs in town, he never imagined he'd get such a big response.

More than 300 caps later (and counting), Cox still can't believe the generosity of donors in the Permian Basin. Surrounded by donated baseball caps, he beams as he talks about the reason he started the drive.

Cox's 26-year-old son, Justin, has special needs. Nearly six years ago, Justin started attending Young Life Capernaum, a Christian ministry in Midland for teenagers and young adults with disabilities. Cox saw how Young Life Capernaum changed his son's life, and he wanted to do his part to help.

"I'd been praying about it, and I asked myself, what can I do to help these kids have a good life?" Cox said. "And I thought: ball caps. They love ball caps."

Cox placed an ad in the local newspaper asking for donations of baseball caps. Before he knew it, his phone was ringing off the hook. So far, 300 caps have been collected, with more

Want to donate?

Call Larry Cox at 432-557-9626 if you wish to donate baseball caps. Caps must be new and in good condition.

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Larry Cox and his son, Justin, show some of the hats they collected to donate to MARC.

Tim Fischer Reporter-Telegram

Devon Energy's efforts land company on 'The Civic 50' list

By Ragini Venkatasubban
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The room echoed with the sound of laughter and children's voices as smiling volunteers dressed in elf hats and pointy shoes handed out toys, sang songs and played games.

It was the Centers for Children & Families' annual Operation Elf toy giveaway, sponsored for the fourth year by Devon Energy, an independent oil and gas producing company with a branch in Midland. In addition to donating funds and toys for the event, Devon employees served as volunteers, dressing up in elf costumes and handing out toys.

"Being a good neighbor and being part of our community is very important to Devon," said Courtney Wardlaw, community affairs specialist for Devon's Midland branch.

That community spirit is what landed Devon Energy on Bloomberg Business Week's "The Civic 50," a list of the top 50 community-minded companies in the U.S. Now in its second year, the Civic 50 ranks corporations on how they use their time, talent and resources to improve the quality of life in the communities where they do business. This is the second year Devon Energy has made the list.

Other companies named to the Civic 50 include Bank of America, Dr. Pepper Snapple Group, Hewlett-Packard, Southwest Airlines and The Hershey Company.

Devon Energy is headquartered in Oklahoma City, Okla. and has about 140 employees working out of its Midland office. Giving back to the community is one of the company's core values, said spokesman Tim Hartley.

The Centers for Children & Families is one of Devon's three major community initiatives in Midland, along with year-round volunteering at the West Texas Food Bank and the annual Star Spangled Salute on July 4.

Devon Energy also supports and sponsors organizations such as the Midland Independent School District Education Foundation, Communities In Schools, Midland Chamber of Commerce, Midland Habitat for Humanity and Keep Midland Beautiful. Special programs include family-friendly Halloween events around the Permian Basin and partnerships with public safety organizations.

"We are very committed to supporting the community wherever we operate," Hartley said. "We don't have to do this, but it does make good business sense for us to participate in the life of our community and to support it."

That support doesn't just come in the form of funds, Wardlaw said. Devon employees volunteer at various events around the community. Wardlaw herself was a

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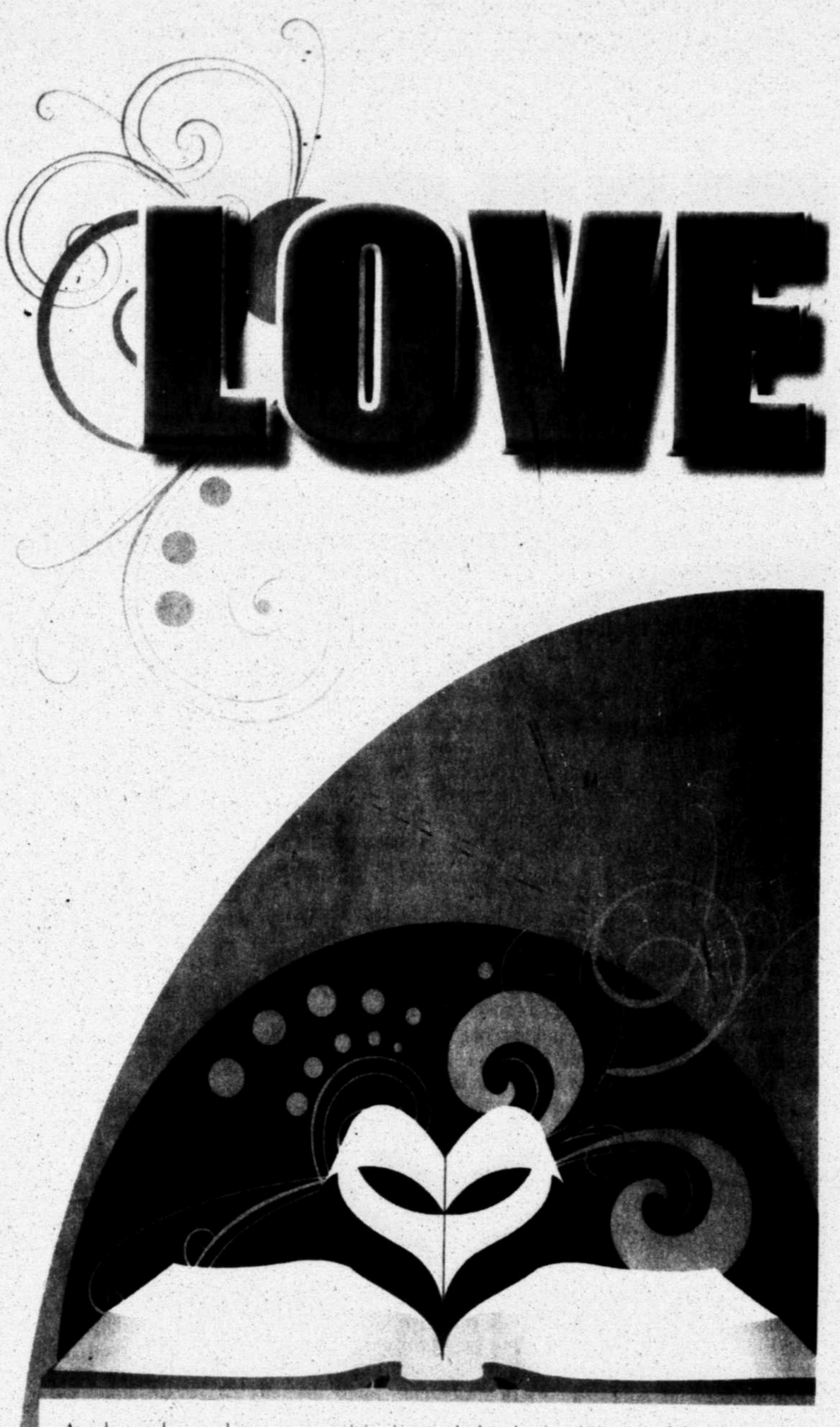

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Obituaries

Clynton Joe "C.J." Thomason

C. J. Thomason, 71, of Midland, known to family and close friends as "Clynton Joe", peacefully slipped away on Tuesday, December 10, 2013 following a brief illness. Memorial services will be held on Saturday, December 14, 2013 at 3:00PM at the Seventh-Day Adventist Church at 3114 Travis Ave. in Midland.

C. J. was born on August 19, 1942 to Jimmy and Alice Thomason of Lahey, Texas, the youngest of five children. He attended Wellman I.S.D. He inherited his father's love of the land and worked as a farmer for 30 plus years before retiring and beginning a new career with the City of Midland, retiring again in 2007. C. J. enjoyed his pets, fishing, traveling and socializing with friends and family. His pleasant demeanor, ready wit and quick smile garnered him a great many friends of all ages. A member of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church, his habit of always carrying candy for the children earned him the nickname of "The Candy Man" at the Church and made him very popular among parishioners both young and old. Ever young at heart, C. J. once responded to a question about his "growing up" with a wry smile and a reply of "I hope I never do!" To his very great credit, he never did.

C. J. is survived by Patsy Thomason, his wife of 26 years; son, Shannon Thomason and wife Emily of Big Spring; daughter, Melissa Wood of San Angelo; step-son, Donald Keith Muse and step-daughter, Tamra Muse; grandchildren, Melodie Wood, Staci Rivera and Tiffany Grimes, 6 beloved great grandchildren, numerous "grand-dogs" and "grand-cats" and a world of friends who all mourn his passing.

In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests that donations be made to the A.S.P.C.A. and/or to the American Cancer Society.

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

Dorothy Marie Dunn

Dorothy Marie Dunn was born January 21, 1942, in Cameron, Tx. She passed away Dec 9, 2013 in Midland.

She is survived by her sons, Jerry Washington, and Stephen Ray Dunn, daughters, Vickie Washington, and Brenda Dunn, and three grandchildren. Preceding her in death were her parents, Lonnie and Magnolia Woodruff, sisters, Alice Evans, and Elzora Woodruff and grandson Antwan Washington.

Memorial Service will be Saturday, Dec. 14, 2013, at 11:00 am. Thomas Funeral Home Chapel.

Jose Palacios Jr (Junior)

Dec. 19, 1975 - Dec. 9, 2013

Jose Palacios Jr (Junior) of Midland, TX age 37 Passed away on Monday, December 9th 2013. Jr. was in the oil field business all his life. There wasn't anything about the oil field business he did not know. He was employed by Big Dog Drilling and was so looking forward to beginning a new career at Q-Max.

Jr was very tough looking on the outside but very soft and gentle on the inside. His smile would light up anyone's day. He was a great brother, father but most of all…….. A GREAT son! His smile, hugs and kisses will be missed tremendously. He is preceded in death by his father Jose R Palacios and his sister Silvia P Perez. Left behind to cherish his memory are his mother, Eloisa Palacios, brothers Alfredo Palacios, Mike Palacios, sister, Teresa Palacios Lujan. His sons Troy Ross Dority, Joe Eric Dority, his nephews that he raised like his sons, Brian Lujan and Steven Lujan and a very very large family of loving neices, nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles.

His services will be: Viewing on Friday beginning at 9am and the services will be on Saturday December 14, 2013 at 2pm at American Heritage Cemetery and Funeral home 4100 N FM 1788 Midland, TX 79707.

Keith Colson

Keith Colson, 81, of Midland, passed away Wednesday, December 11, 2013. Memorial services will be held at 1:00pm, Saturday, December 14, 2013 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel in Midland with Billy Raies, officiating. Interment will be held in Oakland, NE Tuesday, December 17, 2013 under the direction of Pelan Funeral Home, 402-685-5673.

Keith was born January 24, 1932 in Oakland, NE to Quentin D. and Cleo B. (Stack) Colson. They later moved to South Sioux City, NE where he attended high school, graduating in 1949.

He attended the University of Nebraska, graduating with a Civil Engineering degree. Following graduation, he entered the Army with a ROTC commission of second lieutenant of infantry. He became career Army for 26 years, retiring as a colonel in 1980 from Ft. Leavenworth, KS.

His postings included several places in the United States. His service includes a post with the Army General Staff in Washington, DC. Overseas he served in Panama, Puerto Rico, Alaska, Hawaii, Korea and 2 tours in Vietnam.

His badges and medals include the Combat Infantry badge, the Parachute badge, the Pathfinder badge, the Ranger tab, and the Army General Staff Badge. His medals include the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star for time in combat, the Meritorious Service medal with 2 oak leaf clusters, the Air medal with 2 oak leaf clusters, and the "Army Commendation medal with 1 oak leaf cluster. Foreign medals included the Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross.

Upon retirement, he and his family moved to Midland, TX where he was employed by Texas Employers Insurance Company as a safety engineer. He later worked for the Bitamin Insurance Company and as the loss prevention manager for the Financial Insurance Company of America.

He married Naomi George, his high school sweetheart, on October 29, 1960 at Ft. Benning, GA. On October 29, 2013 they celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary.

Keith played football for the University of Nebraska and remained an avid Cornhusker alumni. Keith began playing golf in junior high school and remained a dedicated golfer for the rest of his life. He accomplished 2 holes-in-one in his golfing career.

He enjoyed listening to jazz music, studying God's word, doing crossword puzzles, and playing 42. The greatest joy of his life was spending time with his family and friends.

He is survived by his wife, Naomi; son, Eric Colson of Waco, TX; daughter, Sandra Cox and son-in-law Dr. Cody Cox of Lubbock, TX; daughter, Debbie Colson Gloden and son-in-law Terryll Gloden of Guymon, OK; and daughter-in-law, Joanne Almon Colson of Gainesville, TX; twelve grandchildren, Quentin, Daniel, Leah, David Keith, Jared, Sarah, and Keri Colson, Ashley, Courtney, and Madisyn Cox, and Hannah and Lainey Gloden; brother-in-law, Leland George and wife Irene of Sioux Falls, SD; and wonderful nephews, cousins, and friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents, father-in-law and mother-in-law Ralph and Edna (Salin) George, brother-in-law Bernard George, nephew Randy George, and aunt and uncle Gene and Delores Colson.

In lieu of flowers, please give to a charity of your choice, or thank military servicemen and veterans for their service.

Lola M. Graham Easley

Lola M. Graham Easley passed away on December 8, 2013 in Midland, Texas. She was born April 29, 1929 to John E. and Gladys G. Smith near Rush Springs, Oklahoma, where she was raised and attended school in a one-room school house. She later attended Oklahoma A&M University, where she met the love of her life, Bill J. Graham, in a ballroom dancing class. She married Bill on November 7, 1950 in Stillwater, Oklahoma and had four children with him. Gwendola (Susie) Graham and Bill D. Graham were born in Oklahoma. The family then moved to Venezuela where Rick E. Graham and Craig A. Graham were born. They moved to Midland in 1959.

Lola encouraged all of her children to participate in music, and all four were members of the Lee High School Band. During her 11 years as an active Band Parent from 1965 to 1976, she never missed a football game, parade, or concert. She continued to support and donate to the band as her grandchildren were also members from 1996 to 2005. She and Bill J. received a lifetime commitment award from the Robert E. Lee Rebel Band Boosters.

After Bill J. Graham passed away in 1983, Lola married G. Pat Easley on May 11, 1985 and moved to San Antonio. While living there, she was an active member of the PEO sorority. After Pat's death in 2001, she returned to Midland.

Lola enjoyed frequently visiting her house at Lake LBJ, with Bill J. and later with Pat. She loved to travel and visited every continent on Earth. Each of her ten grandchildren accompanied "Momma Lolo" on an international trip after their 15th birthday, taking her from the Galapagos Islands to as far away as Russia.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Susie, her husband Bill J. Graham, and her husband G. Pat Easley. She is survived by a sister, Ruby Lovelace of Sugarland, Texas, sons Bill D. Graham and his wife Cathie of Midland, Rick E. Graham and his wife Lisa of Midland, and Craig A. Graham and his wife Sharyn of Belvidere, Illinois, along with 10 grandchildren and 6 great-grandsons.

Family visitation will be held at Ellis Funeral Home on Friday, December 13, 2013 from 6:00pm until 8:00pm. Funeral services will be at the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel on Saturday, December 14, 2013 at 10:00am, with burial to follow at Resthaven Cemetery.

The family wishes to thank Dr. Richard Reese for his years of compassionate care and also want to extend special thanks to Roberta and Monica, who became a part of our family over these past years, as well as to Rafaela and Sophia, all of whom helped lovingly care for our mother and grandmother.

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Richard Donnelly, Jr.

Richard Donnelly, Jr. left this world on December 10, 2013. Richie was born in Odessa, Texas on November 19, 1952, the firstborn son of Richard Donnelly and Mary Lou Cocke Donnelly (Holbrook).

Small in height but not in stature, Richie was a true gentleman. He was a pilot, an oil and gas man, a voracious reader and student of many subjects, an unabashed progressive and humanitarian, and a supporter of projects to help the most vulnerable among us, both people and animals. Women adored him and men loved his company. Usually irreverent and occasionally inappropriate he was always quick with a wickedly funny thought.

Richie had a uniquely West Texas childhood, growing up in Odessa during the fifties and sixties. He grew up in small movable houses in oil company pipe yards. Known as the "little devil," he was the architect of enough hijinks with his brother and sister to drive his parents crazy. Too small to play football, he nevertheless lettered at Permian High School as the manager of the girl's swim team.

Flying planes was Richie's passion. Even after having a stroke a few years ago, he found a way to fly a couple of times a week. He particularly enjoyed flying with his friends and especially his sister, Britt. Richie was one of the pilots who flew advertising banners around Austin for years. His final entry into his pilot's logbook brought his total to over 3,500 hours.

Richie's life changed forever when he met his beloved wife, Susan. To a soundtrack of "Moonriver" that only they could hear, Susan never failed to delight him, and he was the partner she had waited for. Together they were involved in saving animals through Austin Pets Alive and committed to ensuring the City of Austin's status as a no-kill city. Richie never met an animal he couldn't reach, choosing to work with the most damaged dogs to gain their trust and prepare them for adoption. It was never easy for him to give up any of the pups Susan fostered and as a result their furry family was constantly growing.

Richie's sons, Baker and Evan were a constant source of pride. He may have been an unconventional father, but his love for them and interest in their accomplishments never flagged.

Richie was predeceased by his mother, Mary Lou Donnelly Holbrook; his sister, Britt Donnelly; and his nephew, Corbett Bishop. He is survived by his father and stepmother, Richard and Ann Donnelly of Midland and Santa Fe; his wife, Susan Morris of Austin; his two sons, Baker Donnelly and Evan Duncan of Austin; his brother, David Donnelly and Pat Strong of Houston; stepbrother, Tom Sikes of Austin; stepsisters, Liz Caress of Hobbs, Flo Hill and her children, Jason and Jessica Hill of Fort Worth, and Rainey Naughton of Fort Worth; aunts, Jean Donnelly of Midland, Peggy McConnell of Fort Worth, and Eleanor Parker of Dallas; cousins, Jan and Joey O'Neill, Robin and Jeanine Donnelly, Art and Linnie Donnelly, Robert and Mary Cocke, DeMaret Childress, Robinson Cocke, Jim Cheney, Susan Cheney, Mike and Patti McConnell, Rob Waddell, and Connie McConnell Presley; and by Richie's furry children, Rose, Wendell, Mena, Luly and Ling.

Services will be held on Saturday, December 14, at 3:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 1201 Lavaca, Austin, Texas 78701. The family will receive friends before the service beginning at 2:30 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, Richie would want you to perform an unexpected act of kindness or make a donation to a fund in his name at Austin Pets Alive, 1156 West Cesar Chavez, Austin, Texas 78703 or electronically to kristina.jakstas@austinpetsalive.org.

Arrangements by Weed-Corley-Fish Funeral Home - (512) 452-8811. Obituary and memorial guestbook available online at www.wcfish.com

Death Notices

Anzelmuz "Moses" Casarez

Anzelmuz "Moses" Casarez, 69, passed away in Midland, after a brief illness, on December 11, 2013.

He is survived by his wife, Donna; daughters, Lucy Casarez, Linda Alonzo, Tammy Fenwick, and Traci Cartwright; his sons, Daniel Casarez of Lubbock, TX, David Casarez, Steven Casarez, Dean Casarez, Moses Casarez, and Terry Chambers; twenty-seven grandchildren; 18 great grandchildren; his sister, Amelia Ramirez; two aunts; also many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Funeral Services will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, December 13, 2013, at Andrews-Corgill Funeral Home Chapel, with burial to follow at Andrews North Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of Andrews-Corgill Funeral Home.

Barbara C. Tuttle

Barbara C. Tuttle passed away on 12/11/2013.

Memorial Service is Saturday 12/14/2013 at Thomas Funeral Home Chapel at 3:00 P.M. Services are intrusted to Thomas Funeral Home.

Billy Lyle Crites

Billy Lyle Crites, of Midland, passed from this life on December 10, 2013.

Billy is survived by his wife of 61 years, Gloria Crites; son, Robert Crites (Kay); daughter, Stacey Moore (Richard); grandsons, Sean Crites, Jordan Bynum, Blake Bynum and Carson Carlisle; numerous nieces and nephews, and a long list of cousins.

Family will receive friends on Friday, December 13, 2013, at Ellis Funeral Home, between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Funeral service will be held on Saturday, December 14, 2013, at 1:00 p.m., in the Chapel at Ellis Funeral Home with interment to follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Justin Cox

Justin Cox, 24, of Midland, passed away on Monday, December 9, 2013.

A rosary will be held at 7:00 p.m., Sunday, December 15, 2013 at the funeral home. Funeral services will held at 10:00 a.m., Monday, December 16, 2013 at True Lite Christian Fellowship. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

Survivors include mother, Rosa Lyles; wife, Jenna Cox; daughter, Delilah Cox; son, Diesel Cox; brother, Robert Lyles; sister, Anyssa Lyles; and father, Stephen Cox.

Kathleen Thomas

Kathleen Thomas, 60 of Andrews, passed away Wednesday, December 11, 2013 in Odessa, Texas.

Funeral services will be 10:00a.m. Saturday at First Baptist Church in Andrews, Texas. Graveside services will follow at Potosi Cemetery in Potosi, Texas, at 4:00p.m. Saturday, under the direction of McNett Funeral Home.

She is survived by her mother, Grace Irene Thomas of Andrews; sisters, Ethel Pope and her husband, Charles of Andrews, Texas, Geneva Shipley and her husband, Rob, of Tyler, Texas and 4 beautiful nieces.

Mildred Vaughn

Mildred Vaughn, 96, of Big Spring, passed away Tuesday, December 10, 2013, in Mansfield. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, December 14, 2013, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Friday, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She is survived by one son, Butch Vaughn (Carolyn); one daughter, Beverly Kay; four grandchildren; and four great grandchildren.

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

Teresa A. Yarbrough

Teresa A. Yarbrough, 44, passed away December 11, 2013 in Andrews, Texas.

Visitation will be Friday from 10:00a.m. until 9:00p.m. at McNett Funeral Home in Andrews. A second visitation will be held Sunday from 1:00p.m. - 5:00p.m. at Chapel of Hope in Hobbs, NM. Graveside services will be 2:00p.m. Monday at Peri Haven Cemetery in Hobbs, NM.

Survivors include her husband, Kyle Yarbrough; father- Harlon Fitzgerald, Sister-Crystal Moorhead, Brother-in-law- Skip Moorhead, Niece- Gracie Moorhead; Sister-in-law- Kim Yarbrough; Aunt- Debbie Bayes (Gary); Uncle- Kelly Peacock; her seven Fur Babies; and numerous extended family and friends.

Travel agent, once interned, helped US ties with Japan

Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — Ichiro "George" Azumano, a Japanese-American who was discharged from the Army and confined in an internment camp in World War II and then spent the rest of his life working to improve U.S.-Japanese relations, has died at 95.

Azumano founded a business in 1949 that grew into a regional travel agency and emphasized bringing visitors from Japan and elsewhere to Oregon, even though that wasn't as lucrative as selling outbound tickets, said Joe D'Alessandro, a former Portland tourism leader and now chief executive of the San Francisco Travel Association.

Born in Portland to Japanese immigrants in 1918, he was serving in the Army in San Francisco when Japanese planes attacked Pearl Harbor. He was discharged two months later because of his heritage, and he and his family were all eventually sent to an internment camp in Idaho, selling the family grocery for 10 cents on the dollar. He was freed in 1944.

Azumano Travel, now run by his son-in-law, is a regional enterprise with 180 employees and annual revenues exceeding $210 million.

His agency was instrumental in starting nonstop flights in 1983 between Portland and Tokyo on United Airlines.

In 1982, the Japanese government awarded him the Emperor's Medal of the 4th Order of the Rising Sun. He had audiences with both Emperor Hirohito, in 1987, and Emperor Akihito, in 1990.

CALENDAR

THIS WEEK

Today

FOOD DRIVE Food for Fines through December at Midland County Public Library. Benefits West Texas Food Bank.

NATIVITY SCENE Drive-through Nativity, 6:30-9:30 p.m. today through Sunday at First Church of the Nazarene in Big Spring. 267-7015.

BICYCLE GIVEAWAY Shoot from the Heart Bicycle Roundup for Salvation Army, today at Jake's Clays. jakesclays.com.

Saturday

STRESS MANAGEMENT Half-day course taught by Buddhist nun Kelsang Chondzin, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday at Unitarian Universalist Church of Midland.

CHRISTMAS EVENT A Night in Bethlehem, 6-8 p.m. Saturday at First Christian Church. www.fccmidland.org.

Sunday

ADVENT SERVICE "Branch," 9:30 a.m. Sunday at Holy Cross Lutheran Church. 570-8149.

MUSIC SERVICES A Classical Christmas with Christina Major, Chancel Choir and a string quartet, Sunday at First United Methodist Church. www.firstmethodistmidland.com.

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE Candlelight Lessons & Carols service featuring West Texas Winds, 6:30 p.m. Sunday at St. Nicholas' Episcopal Church. www.stnicksmt.org

MUSIC AND MEAL "Feast and Carols" with spaghetti dinner, Sunday at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity. 683-4207.

GALA An Evening with Michael Arden, Sunday at Yucca Theatre. Benefits Midland-Odessa Area AIDS Support. www.ribbonsoflight.org.

Tuesday

HOLIDAY EVENT Living Nativity, Tuesday through Thursday at First Baptist Church. www.fbc-midland.org.

Wednesday

WEDNESDAY ADVENT SERVICE "Star of Joy," 7 p.m. Wednesday at Holy Cross Lutheran Church. 570-8149.

COMING SOON

December

FAMILY CELEBRATION Christmastime in the City, Dec. 20-22 at Stonegate Fellowship Church. stonegatefellowship.com

SHOPPING TOGETHER Casa de Amigos' Friends of Hope program benefitting people in need with a holiday shopping trip, Dec. 20 at Target.

GIFT GIVEAWAY Miracle on Tyler Street gift giveaway, 3-6 p.m. Dec. 21 at Greater Ideal Family Life Center. www.greateridealorg.

ADVENT SERVICE "Salvation," 9:30 a.m. Dec. 22 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church. 570-8149.

CAROLING Dec. 22 at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity. 683-4207.

LONGEST NIGHT St. Luke's United Methodist Church will host a Longest Night service Dec. 22.

WINTER CAMP Camp Fire West Texas' winter camp for children ages 5 to 12, Dec. 23 through Jan. 3 at St. Mark's United Methodist Church. 570-4144.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES, Carols and Candles at noon; family service at 5:30 p.m.; and Carols, Candles and Communion at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 24 at First United Methodist Church. www.firstmethodistmidland.com.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE Candlelight worship "Promise Fulfilled," 7 p.m. Dec. 24 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church. 570-8149.

January

FUNDRAISER "An Evening Inspired by Downton Abbey," Jan. 4 at Hilton DoubleTree. Benefits Basin PBS.

February

FAMILY CONCERT Trout Fishing in America benefiting Camp Fire West Texas, Feb. 9 at Yucca Theatre. troutmusic.com.

CHOCOLATE DECADENCE to benefit the Aphasia Center of West Texas, 7 p.m. Feb. 13. www.aphasiawtx.org.

INTERFAITH EVENT, Feb. 19 at First Baptist Church.

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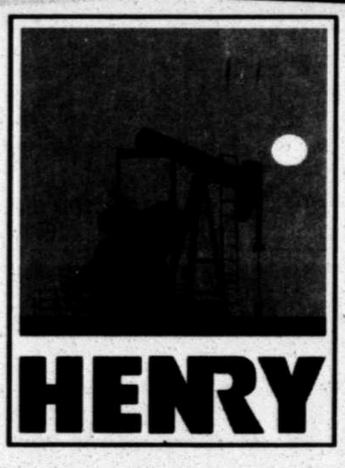

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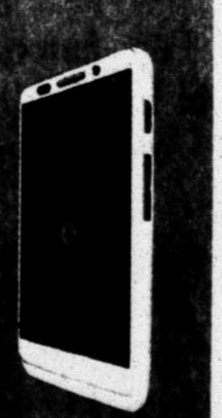

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NORTH CAROLINA

Billy Graham weaker since 95th birthday party

CHARLOTTE — A spokesman for the Rev. Billy Graham said the evangelist has been weaker since his 95th birthday celebration last month but his vital signs are good.

Spokesman Mark DeMoss said Tuesday that Graham is at home in Montreat, N.C., and does not appear to be in any imminent danger. The Rev. Franklin Graham has said he would appreciate prayers for his father.

Billy Graham celebrated his birthday in nearby Asheville on Nov. 7 surrounded by hundreds of friends and guests. Two weeks after the party, Graham was hospitalized for two days for observation and lung tests. He had been hospitalized in October for pulmonary testing.

Graham uses a wheelchair and has been hospitalized for several health-related issues over the past few years.

VERMONT

Pastor: US custody case had no connection to state

MONTPELIER — The Virginia pastor convicted in federal court in Vermont of helping a woman and her child flee the country rather than share custody with her former lesbian partner said the case should be dismissed because it had no connection to Vermont.

Kenneth Miller makes the argument in papers filed with the 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals in New York.

Prosecutors counter that trying the case in Vermont was appropriate because the crime didn't begin until Lisa Miller and her daughter left the country in 2009 and are believed to be in Nicaragua.

Kenneth Miller, a Mennonite pastor, was convicted in 2012 of aiding in international parental kidnapping. He was sentenced to 27 months in prison, but the sentence was delayed pending appeal. The Millers are not related.

Oral arguments in the appeal are set for Jan. 27 in New York.

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Nightlife venues unite for Toys for Tots

By Rich Lopez
MRT correspondent

Toys were amassed in Torino's Pizza Bar upstairs space The Boardroom as a result of donations for Toys for Tots fostered by various nightlife venues. Along with Redneck's Drafthouse, The Wine Rack, Woofers and Tweeters and Triple Threat Sports Bar and Grill, the collective raised close to $6,000 worth of toys that was delivered to NewsWest 9 on Dec. 12 and ultimately distributed to the Salvation Army in both Midland and Odessa.

Torino's owner Gene Roumell teamed with Party With a Purpose coordinator Steve Palma to facilitate the donations.

Party With a Purpose is a business venture to promote parties at local venues with proceeds going to various charities. Palma created Purpose with Alex Albrecht to encourage those active in the nightlife scene to also take notice of nonprofit needs.

Roumell found the response a true testament to community.

"People here are pretty nice and that's how this community is," he said. "Midland has been so good to me and my friends' businesses, and really, it's just about the kids."

Roumell also acknowledged Toys R Us, which provided a significant discount. Palma, however, said that although toy donations are complete, the Salvation Army is still open to cash donations for its Empty Stocking Fund.

Families interested in receiving toy donations have until Dec. 20 to apply.

"Even though people may be working hard, with cost of living, there's still a struggle to have extra money for toys and presents," Palma said. "That's what this is for. It's all based on need and they can get toys without the children having to realize any kind of struggle."

Remarkably, this is a situation for many who relocate to Midland. Despite having work, lives dramatically change because of basic living expenses.

"It's not unusual for people to find themselves in need who weren't in need. Their paychecks are gone and people find themselves strapped financially all of the sudden," Roumell said.

In addition to the Toys For Tots collection, Palma and Roumell will also oversee gifts delivered for those having to spend Christmas in the hospital.

"We've secured 12 beds to contribute to kids at Midland Memorial Hospital. It's already miserable enough that they have to be there. This way they can celebrate Christmas still," Roumell said.

"Hopefully there won't be any children spending their time in the pediatric ward and if not, then toys will be allocated to Janet's Closet," Palma said.

At the donation site, before Palma and Roumell loaded the toys into the U-Haul, Palma restated what was mentioned before.

"Yeah, this is a very giving community."

DEVON

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volunteer at Operation Elf.

"The event was so fun to participate in as a volunteer because that really brought some of the Midland community together," she said. "For those families that might not have an opportunity to celebrate Christmas or have the type of Christmas that some of the rest of us are used to, it was really great to bring everyone together during the holiday season."

Operation Elf is one of Devon's annual community outreach projects.

"The children we serve in our program — the goal is to make their Christmas happier," said Ann Bradford, executive director of the Centers for Children & Families. "Devon Energy provides the funds and the volunteers to allow us to do this."

Pope names new bishop for Diocese of San Angelo

From staff reports

Monsignor Michael Sis, vicar general of the Diocese of Austin, will be ordained and installed as bishop of the Catholic Diocese of San Angelo in January.

After Pope Francis appointed Sis to the position, Bishop Michael Pfeifer presented the bishop-elect on Thursday at the Diocesan Pastoral Center in San Angelo.

Sis was born in New Jersey and ordained for the Austin diocese in 1986.

The diocese of San Angelo includes 29 counties in Texas.

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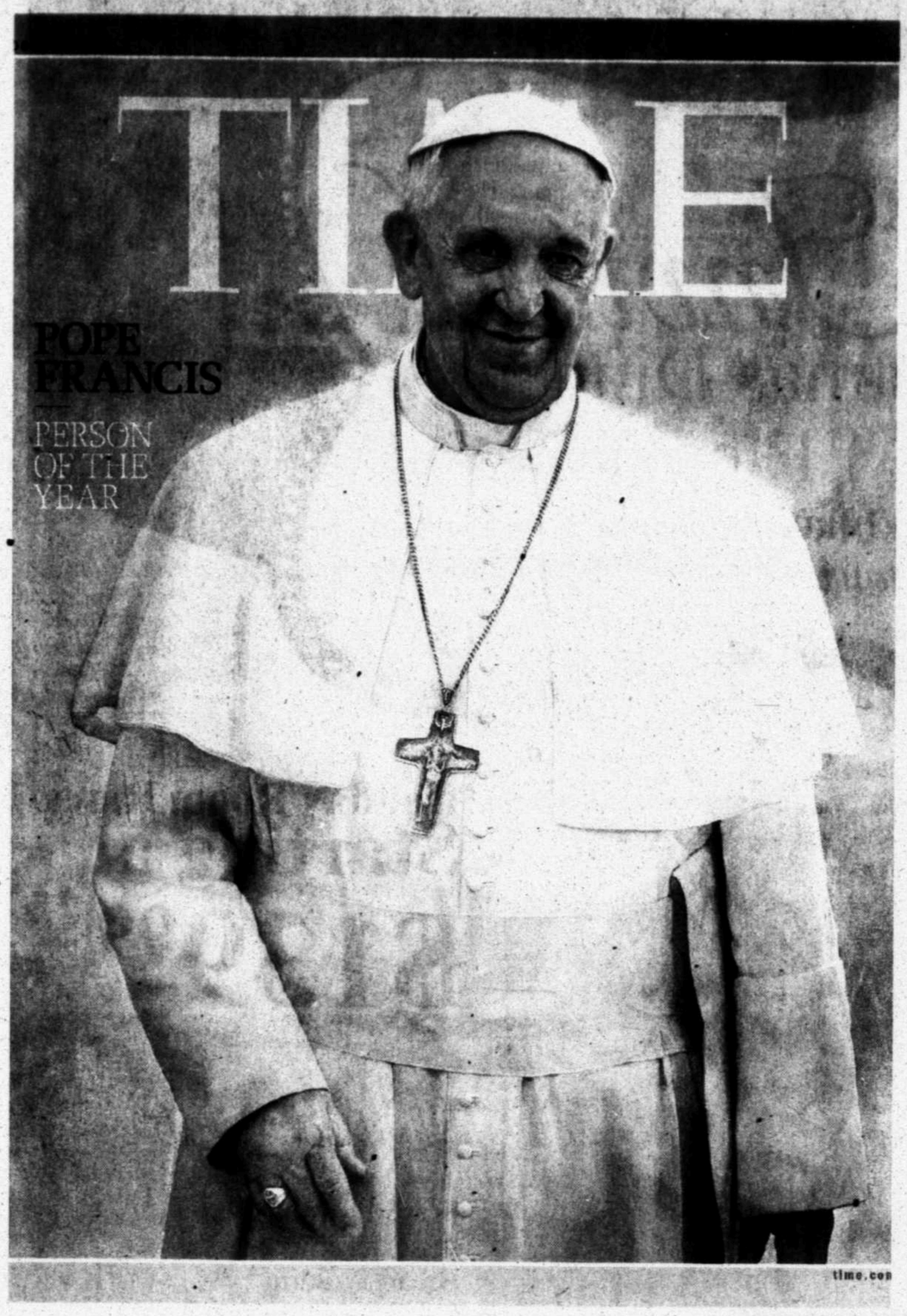

Associated Press

Pope Francis, Time magazine's 2013 Person of the Year, is seen an undated photo of the magazine cover provided by Time on Wednesday. Time said the Catholic church's new leader has changed the perception of his organization in an extraordinary way in a short time.

Pope Francis is Time's Person of the Year

By David Bauder
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Time magazine selected Pope Francis as its Person of the Year on Wednesday, saying the Catholic Church's new leader has changed the perception of the 2,000-year-old institution in an extraordinary way in a short time.

The pope beat out NSA leaker Edward Snowden for the distinction, which the newsmagazine has been giving each year since 1927.

The former Argentine Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio was elected in March as the first pope from Latin America and the first Jesuit. Since taking over at the Vatican, he has urged the Catholic Church not to be obsessed with "small-minded rules" and to emphasize compassion over condemnation in dealing with touchy topics like abortion, homosexuality and contraception.

He has denounced the world's "idolatry of money" and the "global scandal" that nearly 1 billion people today go hungry, and he has charmed the masses with his simple style and wry sense of humor. His appearances draw tens of thousands of people, and his @Pontifex Twitter account recently topped 10 million followers.

"He really stood out to us as someone who has changed the tone and the perception and the focus of one of the world's largest institutions in an extraordinary way," said Nancy Gibbs, the magazine's managing editor.

The Vatican said the honor wasn't surprising given the resonance in the general public that Francis has had, but it nevertheless said the choice was a "positive" recognition of spiritual values in the international media.

"The Holy Father is not looking to become famous or to receive honors," said the Vatican spokesman, the Rev. Federico Lombardi. "But if the choice of Person of Year helps spread the message of the Gospel — a message of God's love for everyone — he will certainly be happy about that."

It was the third time a Catholic pope had been Time's selection. John Paul II was selected in 1994 and John XXIII was chosen in 1962.

In Argentina on Wednesday, Padre Toto, one of the many "slum priests" the pope supported for years as archbishop of Buenos Aires, praised Time magazine's selection.

"I think the recognition of Time magazine is good news, because Pope Francis embodies one of the values of a church that's more missionary, closer to the people, more austere, more in keeping with the gospel," Toto said. "He had the genius of knowing how to express this sense of the church and hopefully his way of being will catch on with other political leaders, business executives, sports figures. His leadership is inspiring."

Besides Snowden, Time had narrowed its finalists down to gay rights activist Edith Windsor, U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz of Texas and Syrian President Bashar Assad.

President Barack Obama was Time's selection for 2012.

Time editors make the selection. The magazine polled readers for their choice, and the winner was Egyptian General Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi, who didn't even make the top 10 of Time's final list.

NATIVITY

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shepherds and angels?" she said.

The Nativity scene will include Mary, Joseph, baby Jesus, angels, shepherds and the three kings, for a total of about 15 characters. The actors are all church volunteers, ranging in age from 8-year-old angels to an 80-year-old shepherd one year. Each of the three nights will feature different actors.

"We want people to remember that it really is Christmas and it's about the birth of Christ," Storrie said. "That's what our church is about — to know Christ and to make him known. This is why we want to do the Nativity every year, because that's what Christmas is all about — the birth of Jesus Christ, the savior of the world."

Turnout ranges from 300-400 people every night, Storrie said. Along with the Nativity scene, the event will feature Christmas music, hot chocolate and an animal corral with live sheep and a donkey.

HATS

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on the way. Caps have come from as far as Garden City and McCamey. Business donors include Pioneer Natural Resources, Felderhoff Drilling and a few other companies.

The caps will be donated to residents of MARC group homes around Midland. Among its many other programs, MARC offers residential group homes for individuals with disabilities.

Cox is still seeking donations, and he asks people to call him at 432-557-9626 if they wish to donate. Caps must be new and in good condition.

Cox hopes to expand the donations to Odessa and surrounding cities in the future. He also wants to donate more than just caps — he's thinking about T-shirts and other necessities.

His dream is to get more young adults with special needs involved in the project.

"My son, he loves what we're doing," Cox said. "My goal is to get these kids involved, to make them feel important. God put me here to do this."

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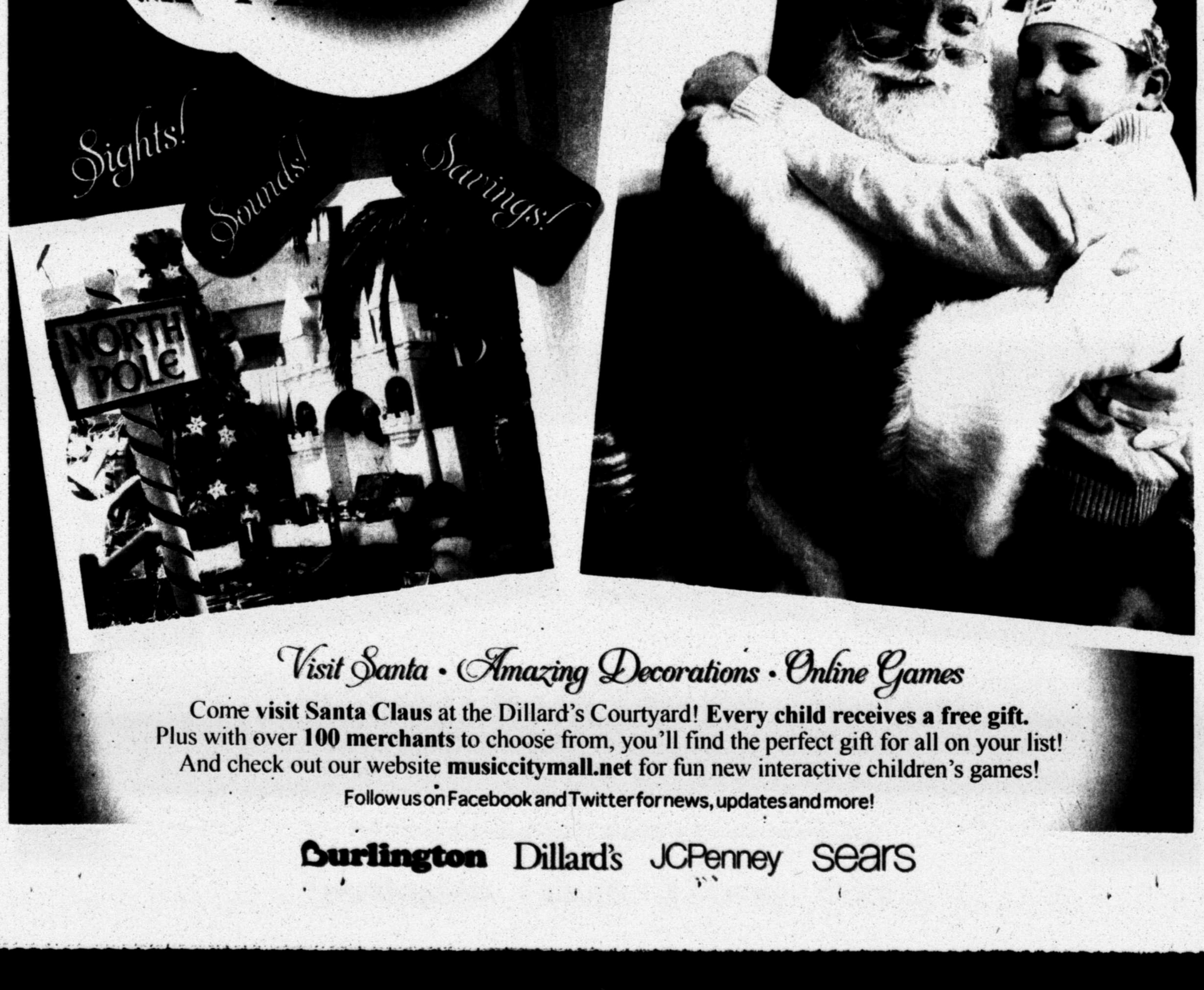

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Texas' Brown mum on future amid speculation

By Paul J. Webber
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Texas coach Mack Brown declined to say Thursday whether the Alamo Bowl will be his final game, amid intense speculation following another disappointing season that began with the Longhorns talking about becoming national championship contenders again.

"My situation has not changed," Brown said.

Speaking to reporters for the first time since multiple published reports this week indicated that he might step down, Brown said he has yet to talk with new Texas athletic director Steve Patterson and university President Bill Powers about the job he has held since 1998.

Brown deflected several other questions about his future during a news conference in San Antonio about Texas' bowl game against Oregon on Dec. 30.

"I want to sit down with (Patterson) and Bill in the near future and talk about where we're going and where our program is going," Brown said.

In Austin, Powers reasserted his support for Brown and said they planned to speak in the coming days. Powers is among Brown's top supporters, and received a cautious endorsement later Thursday from his frustrated chancellor to temporarily quiet speculation about his own future.

Powers has been locked in a two-year power struggle over academics on one of the nation's biggest campuses. He called Brown one of the sport's greatest coaches but declined to address the coach's status after regents allowed Powers to continue the job he's held since 2006.

"I'm going to focus on this. We'll discuss football at the appropriate time," Powers said.

Brown acknowledged the Longhorns (8-4) didn't finish how they wanted after starting the season

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Texas coach Mack Brown listens to a question during a Valero Alamo Bowl news conference Thursday in San Antonio. Texas and Oregon will play Dec. 30.

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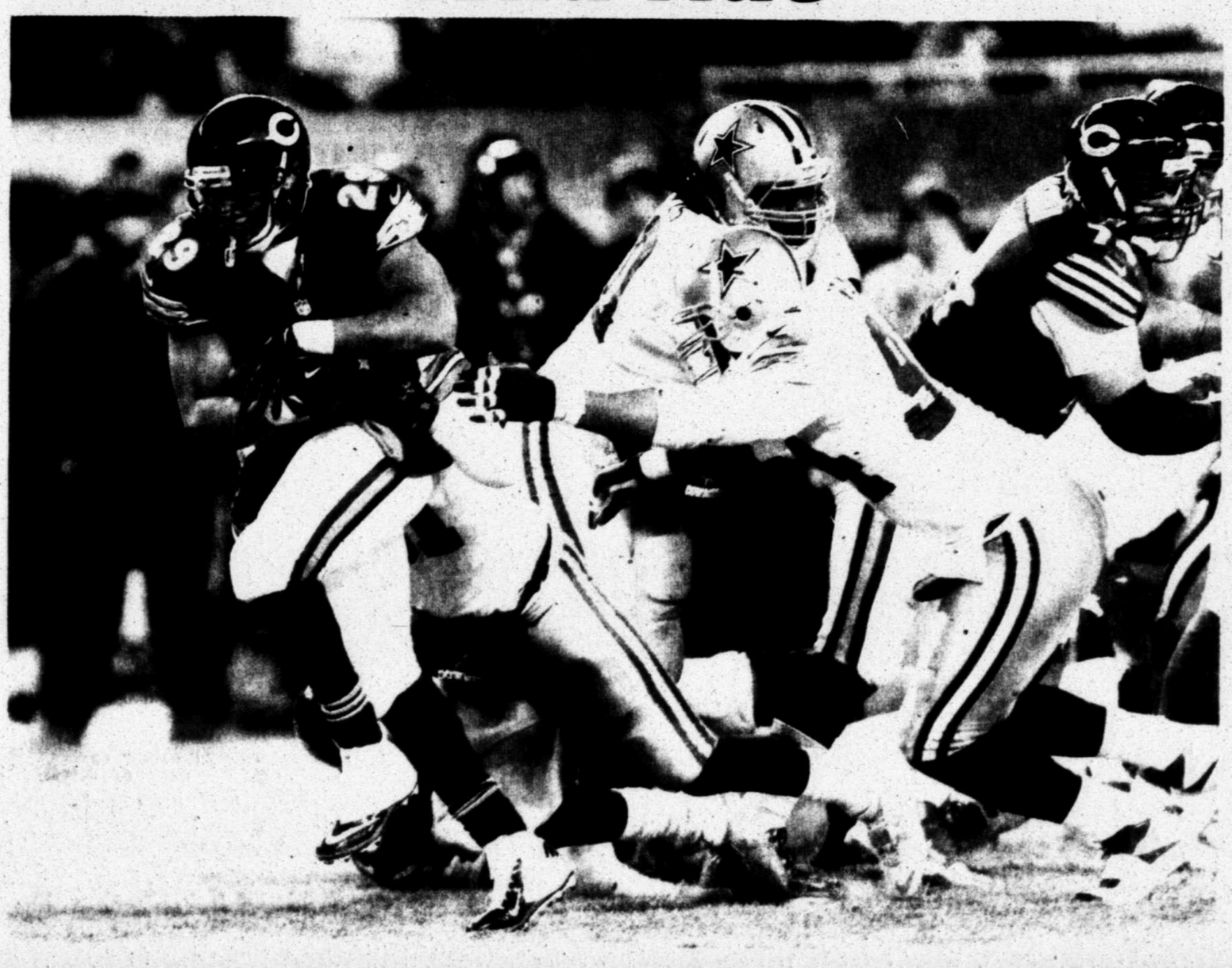

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Chicago running back Michael Bush (29) rushes against the Dallas defense during the second half of Monday's game in Chicago. The Cowboys defense has been up and down this season.

Cowboys' defense a study in contradictions

By Schuyler Dixon
Associated Press

IRVING — DeMarcus Ware intercepted the first pass of the season, one of six turnovers for a Dallas defense that also gave up 450 yards passing to Eli Manning and the New York Giants in the opener.

The Cowboys have been a study in defensive contradictions ever since.

They are the only team to keep Philadelphia out of the end zone this year, yet they've surrendered the first two 600-yard games for opponents in franchise history.

Dallas shut down one of the NFL's best rushing attacks to beat Oakland, then let Chicago score on the first eight possessions of a 45-28 loss.

"I feel like as a defense, we're just up and down a lot, and it's been like that for the last couple of years," safety Barry Church said. "That's one thing that we've got to get right. We've got to get our consistency level right where it needs to be where week in and week out we're a dominating defense."

Mostly the Cowboys (7-6) have just been embarrassing on defense this year.

Three teams have gone an entire game without punting this season — and two of them were facing Dallas. That doesn't even include a 49-17 loss to New Orleans when the Saints set an NFL record with 40 first downs.

The strangest thing is that the presence of defensive leader Sean Lee doesn't even seem to make that much of a difference. He strained a hamstring early in the loss to New Orleans and missed the next two games.

Without him, the Cowboys shut down the Raiders' running attack. With him, they couldn't get the Bears off the field.

"Every game that we've lost when we've given up a lot of yardage, it's big play after big play," said Lee, who expects to play Sunday against Green Bay (6-6-1) despite a neck injury that sidelined him against the Bears. "Games where we stop those big plays, or we cause turnovers, or we get off the field on third down, we play well. We really have to lock it down when it comes to third down and big plays."

The best example came early in the second quarter against the Bears. After the Cowboys punted in a 7-7 game, Chicago backup Josh McCown completed a 15-yard pass to Brandon Marshall on third-and-14 from the Dallas 38. The Bears scored five plays later and didn't trail again.

Dallas has given up at least five plays of 20 yards or longer in the past four games.

"This system is all built on the scheme," defensive tackle Nick Hayden said. "If people are not in the right gap, obviously they're going to hit us for big runs. Or if people are not in the right spots, they're going to hit us with big passes."

The Cowboys have faced questions about the scheme all season because they fired Rob Ryan and his risky, attacking style and replaced it with 73-year-old Monte Kiffin's more traditional — and supposedly safer — approach.

But Dallas has been juggling defensive linemen all season — 18 have played in at least one game — and the shuffling seems to have taken a toll on the pass rush. The Cowboys have just one sack the past two games.

"A big part of this scheme is the impact of four down guys getting to the quarterback," coach Jason Garrett said. "That

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Manziel thinks about Aggie legacy

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Johnny Manziel isn't sure if he'll declare for the NFL draft next month.

But if he does he's thought a lot about his legacy and how he wants to be remembered as one of the best to have ever played and someone who made a major impact for Texas A&M.

He's made a pretty compelling argument for both. He's a finalist for the Heisman Trophy again, with a chance to join Archie Griffin as the second player to win the award twice.

Manziel

"To be a college football player in a skill position, that's what you shoot for every year," Manziel said. "So to get to New York and to be one of the best players in the country and then to be that person to win it, it's a dream come true for anybody that's grown up playing Pop Warner Football, that's grown up playing middle school, high school football."

Johnny Football is one of six players who will attend the presentation ceremony Saturday night in New York. Manziel isn't expected to take home another Heisman after Florida State's Jameis Winston burst onto the scene with a spectacular redshirt freshman season much the way Manziel did last year.

Manziel became the first freshman to win the Heisman in 2012 after setting numerous school and Southeastern Conference records while leading Texas A&M to an 11-2 record and a victory over No. 1 Alabama in its first season in the SEC.

The Aggies were supposed to contend for a national title in Manziel's encore. But another standout season by the electric quarterback wasn't enough to overcome a porous defense that was among the worst in the nation. The Aggies finished 8-4.

"This year we definitely had our ups and downs," Manziel said. "We didn't have a final record like we wanted to at the beginning of the year. But just the whole season and how it's been, it's been a ride."

That ride for Manziel started when he was suspended for the first half of the Aggies' season opener against Rice for what the school said was an "inadvertent" violation of NCAA rules involving signing autographs.

The quarterback was investigated for allegedly accepting money for autographs from memorabilia brokers, a violation of NCAA rules that could

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Injuries, losses prompt MLB to seek ban on collisions

By Ronald Blum
Associated Press

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. — Baseball officials are up front about this: They want to ban home-plate collisions to guard their investments.

Minnesota's Joe Mauer, a three-time batting champion, is less than halfway through a $184 million, eight-year contract. He was limited 75 games at catcher this year in a concussion-shortened season.

Buster Posey, another batting champ, has a $167 million, nine-year deal. San Francisco wants to ensure that he doesn't have another horrific injury like the one that ended his 2011 season.

That's why Major League Baseball's rules committee voted this week to prohibit runners from plowing into catchers. The rule will take effect next season if the players' association agrees, and in 2015 if the union doesn't.

"It's a great change. We protect our assets," Los Angeles Angels general manager Jerry Dipoto said Thursday as the winter meetings ended. "Some of the things we've seen happen in the recent past — Buster Posey, concussions with Joe Mauer, Yadier Molina getting blown up, they are some of the best players in the game. They mean so much to their team —the financial investments involved. And more importantly, the health of the individual."

Boston's David Ross, Detroit's Alex Avila, Oakland's John Jaso and Kansas City's Salvador Perez all missed time because of concussions this year.

"Collisions at home plate can significantly alter your ability to win games," said Andrew Friedman, Tampa Bay's executive vice president of baseball operations. "I just think athletes today are bigger, faster, stronger, and the catchers are in significant danger of long-term injuries that we can avoid. I think the heightened awareness to concussions influences it quite a bit."

Eleven players who were primarily catchers last season are signed to contracts running through 2016 and beyond, with a total of $565.45 million in remaining guaranteed salary, according to calculations by The Associated Press.

MLB watched as the NFL reached a $765 million settlement last summer in a concussion-related lawsuit by former players and a group of hockey players sued the NHL last

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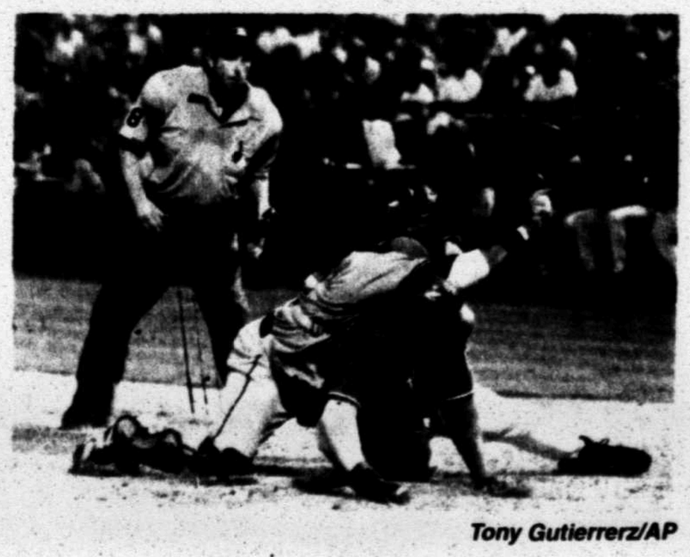

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Home plate umpire Chris Guccione watches as Cleveland catcher Carlos Santana holds on to the ball following a collision at the plate with Texas' Vladimir Guerrero in during a July 6, 2010, game in Arlington. Major League baseball is looking at banning collisions at home plate.

DAILYRUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

WHAT'S ON TV

BOXING

Junior middleweights, Errol Spence Jr. (9-0-0) vs. Noe Bolanos (25-8-1); junior featherweights, Joseph Diaz Jr. (8-1-0) vs. Carlos Rodriguez (21-11-3); junior middleweights, Jermall Charlo (16-0-0) vs. Joseph de los Santos (16-12-3); champion Francisco Vargas (17-0-1) vs. Jerry Belmontes (18-2-0), for NABF/WBO Intercontinental junior lightweight titles; welterweights, Josesito Lopez (30-6-0) vs. Mike Arnaoutis (24-9-1), 9 p.m., Fox Sports 1

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

NCAA, FCS, playoffs, quarterfinals, Towson at Eastern Illinois, 7 p.m., ESPN2

GOLF

European PGA Tour, The Nelson Mandela Championship, second round, at Mount Edgecombe, 5:30 a.m., TGC

PGA Tour, Franklin Templeton Shootout, first round, Noon, TGC

Asian Tour, Thailand Championship, third round, 10:30 p.m., TGC

MEN'S COLLEGE HOCKEY

Colorado College at Wisconsin, 6:30 p.m., NBC Sports Network

NBA

L.A. Lakers at Oklahoma City, 7 p.m., ESPN

Houston at Golden State, 9:30 p.m., ESPN

WHAT'S ON DECK

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL

Odessa Permian at Midland High, 7:30 p.m.
Lee at Lubbock Coronado, 7:30 p.m.
Greenwood, Big Spring at Gym Bice Classic, Andrews
Midland Christian at Alpine Tournament
Midland Classical, Garden City, Stanton, Grady at Crane Tournament

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL

Lee at Lubbock Coronado, 6 p.m.
Odessa Permian at Midland High, 6 p.m.
Alpine at Trinity, 6 p.m.
Blackwell at Garden City, 6:30 p.m.
Grady at Borden County, 6:30 p.m.
Midland Christian at Sonora Tournament
Midland Classical, Stanton, Big Spring at Crane Tournament

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Major League Baseball

MLB — Named Daniel Halem executive vice president, labor relations.

American League

BOSTON RED SOX — Agreed to terms with 1B Mike Napoli on a two-year contract. Designated OF Alex Castellanos for assignment.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Sent C David Freitas to Baltimore to complete an earlier trade. Sent LHP Andrew Werner to Sacramento (PCL).

SEATTLE MARINERS — Agreed to terms with 2B Robinson Cano on a 10-year contract.

TEXAS RANGERS — Agreed to terms with INF/OF Brent Lillibridge, INF Kevin Kouzmanoff, RHP Armando Rodriguez, RHP Doug Mathis and SS Josh Wilson on minor league contracts.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Agreed to terms with RHP Tomo Ohka on a minor league contract. Traded LHP Brian Moran to the Los Angeles Angels for an International cap space. National League

ATLANTA BRAVES — Agreed to terms with RHP Jordan Walden on a one-year contract. Named Brian Snitker manager and Garey Ingram hitting coach of Gwinnett (IL). Jamie Dismuke hitting coach of Mississippi (SL). Derrick Lewis pitching coach of Lynchburg (Carolina); Jonathan Schuerholz manager and Gabe Luckert pitching coach of Rome (SAL); Randy Ingle manager, Dan Meyer pitching coach and Carlos Mendez hitting coach of Danville (Appalachian); Rick Albert hitting coach of the GCL Braves; Derek Botelho minor league pitching rehabilitation instructor; Rich Dubee minor league pitching coordinator; Ronnie Ortegon minor league hitting coordinator and Bobby Mitchell minor league roving outfield/baserunning instructor.

CHICAGO CUBS — Acquired OF Justin Ruggiano from Miami for OF Brian Bogusevic.

SAN DIEGO PADRES — Acquired LHP Patrick Schuster from Houston for cash considerations, which completes an earlier trade.

WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Agreed to terms with OF Nate McLouth on a two-year contract.

American Association

LAREDO LEMURS — Sold the contract of RHP Bradley Blanks to Arizona (NL).

WICHITA WINGNUTS — Sold the contract of 1B CJ Ziegler to Minnesota (AL).

Frontier League

RIVER CITY RASCALS — Signed OF Eric Williams to a contract extension.

ROCKFORD AVIATORS — Signed LHP Nick Cicio to a contract extension.

WASHINGTON WILD THINGS — Exercised the 2014 contract options on LHP Mike Barsotti, RHP Shawn Blackwell, RHP Pat Butler, RHP Tyler Elrod, RHP Zach Fleshman, RHP Dan Goldstein, LHP Zach LeBarron, LHP Steve Messner, RHP Jhonny Montoya, RHP Chris Phelan, LHP Matt Phillips, RHP Andy Smithmeyer, LHP Ryan Zamorsky, C Maxx Garrett, INF C.J. Beatty, INF Nick Boggan, INF Ryan Kresky, INF A.J. Nunziato, INF Shain Stoner, OF Stewart Ijames, OF Scott Kalamar, OF Quincy Lattimore, OF Daniel Poma, OF Tim Williams, RHP Justin Hall, C Jim Vahalik and OF Tyler Hall. Declined the options on C Mario Mercedes and C Matt Mirabel.

WINDY CITY THUNDERBOLTS — Signed RHP Dyllon Nuernberg, RHP Markus Solbach and INF Mike Torres to contract extensions.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

CINCINNATI BENGALS — Signed CB Chris Lewis-Harris from the practice squad. Waived S Tony Dye.

Canadian Football League

B.C. LIONS — Named Mark Washington defensive coordinator.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

ANAHEIM DUCKS — Assigned C David Steckel and Ds Alex Grant and Nolan Yonkman to Norfolk (AHL).

CALGARY FLAMES — Fired general manager Jay Feaster and assistant general manager John Weisbrod.

CAROLINA HURRICANES — Activated F Alexander Semin from injured reserve.

NEW JERSEY DEVILS — Placed D Peter Harrold on injured reserve, retroactive to Dec. 7. Assigned LW Mattias Tedenby to Albany (AHL) for conditioning.

NEW YORK ISLANDERS — Activated G Evgeni Nabokov from injured reserve. Loaned G Anders Nilsson to Bridgeport (AHL).

OTTAWA SENATORS — Recalled F Jean-Gabriel Pageau from Binghamton (AHL).

WASHINGTON CAPITALS — Loaned G Michael Neuvirth to Hershey (AHL) for a conditioning program.

American Hockey League

BRIDGEPORT SOUND TIGERS — Signed F Matt Lowry and D Scooter Vaughan to professional tryout contracts.

NORFOLK ADMIRALS — Signed F Chris Collins.

SAN ANTONIO RAMPAGE — Announced G Jacob Markstrom was recalled by Florida (NHL). Recalled G Michael Houser from Cincinnati (ECHL).

ECHL

BAKERSFIELD CONDORS — Announced LW Chris Collins was loaned to Norfolk (AHL).

GWINNETT GLADIATORS — Acquired F Bobby Hughes, D Rob Kwiet and the rights to F Brett Lyon from Fort Wayne for F Mike Embach and D Nathan Martine.

READING ROYALS — Signed F Jesse Todd. Announced F Tyler Ruegsegger was recalled by Hershey (AHL).

Central Hockey League

ARIZONA SUNDOGS — Announced D Justin Pender was granted leave of absence by the league.

MISSOURI MAVERICKS — Announced F Colt King was suspended seven games by the league.

TULSA OILERS — Signed G Omar Kanji to a five-game contract.

SOCCER

Major League Soccer

COLUMBUS CREW — Traded D Chad Marshall to Seattle for allocation money and a 2015 third round SuperDraft selection. Traded its 2014 fourth round SuperDraft pick to Chicago for the rights to MF Daniel Paladini.

NEW YORK RED BULLS — Re-signed F Andre Akpan.

PORTLAND TIMBERS — Acquired MF/D Jorge Villafana and the No. 2 selection in Stage 1 of the 2013 MLS Re-Entry Process from Chivas USA for D Andrew Jean-Baptiste and the No. 17 selection in Stage 1 of the Re-Entry Process.

SEATTLE SOUNDERS FC — Re-signed G Josh Ford.

U.S. Soccer Federation

USSF — Agreed to terms with coach Jurgen Klinsmann on a four-year contract extension through 2018 and added the additional title of technical director.

North American Soccer League

NASL — Announced Bill Edwards purchased controlling interest in the Tampa Bay Rowdies.

National Women's Soccer League

NWSL — Announced the addition of the Houston Dash to begin play in the 2014 season.

COLLEGE

EASTERN COLLEGE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE — Announced Bluefield State has been granted membership.

ATLANTIC HOCKEY — Suspended Army sophomore Shane Hearn one game for targeting the head of a Canisius player in a Dec. 7 game.

ELON — Named Rich Skrosky football coach.

FELICIAN — Named John Brennan women's outdoor track & field coach and Sebastian Powell women's outdoor track & field assistant coach.

FLORIDA — Announced QB Max Staver, TE Kent Taylor, FB Rhaheim Ledbetter, OL Quinteze Williams, OL Trevon Young and OL Ian Silberman will transfer.

HOLY CROSS — John Carroll men's assistant lacrosse coach.

NYU — Announced the addition of baseball and women's softball as varsity sports beginning with the 2014-15 academic year.

UCONN — Named Bob Diaco football coach.

WEBER STATE — Named Jay Hill football coach.

NATIONAL FINALS RODEO

National Rodeo Results
Wednesday
At Thomas & Mack Center
Las Vegas
Seventh Round

Bareback riding

1. Kaycee Feild, Payson, Utah, 83 points on Calgary Stampede's Shadow Warrior, $18,630. 2. Clint Cannon, Waller, 82.5, $14,724. 3. Ryan Gray, Cheney, Wash., 80, $11,118. 4. (tie) Steven Dent, Mullen, Neb., Wes Stevenson, Lubbock and Steven Peebles, Redmond, Ore., 79.5, $5,208 each. 7. Bobby Mote, Culver, Ore., 79. 8. J.R. Vezain, Cowley, Wyo., 78.5. 9. Jared Smith, Cross Plains, 77. 10. Ty Breuer, Mandan, N.D., 74.5. 11. Caleb Bennett, Morgan, Utah, 73.5. 12. Will Lowe, Canyon, 73. 13. Jessy Davis, Power, Mont., 72. 14. Austin Foss, Terrebonne, Ore., 68.5. 15. Casey Colletti, Pueblo, Colo., NS.

Steer wrestling

1. Matt Reeves, Cross Plains, 3.1 seconds, $18,630. 2. Bray Armes, Ponder, 3.9, $14,724. 3. (tie) Stan Branco, Chowchilla, Calif., and Dean Gorsuch, Gering, Neb., 4.0, $9,465 each. 5. Trevor Knowles, Mount Vernon, Ore., 4.1, $4,808. 6. Casey Martin, Sulphur, La., 4.3, $3,005. 7. Tyler Pearson, Louisville, Miss., 4.7. 8. Jason Miller, Lance Creek, Wyo., 6.7. 9. Wade Sumpter, Fowler, Colo., 7.2. 10. Hunter Cure, Holliday, 7.5. 11. Dakota Eldridge, Elko, Nev., 8.5. 12. K.C. Jones, Decatur, 14.0. 13. (tie) Jule Hazen, Ashland, Kan., Straws Milan, Cochrane, Alberta, and Luke Branquinho, Los Alamos, Calif., NT.

Team roping

1. (tie) Clay Tryan, Billings, Mont./Jade Corkill, Fallon, Nev., and Dustin Bird, Cut Bank, Mont./Paul Eaves, Lonedell, Mo., 4.1 seconds, $16,677 each. 3. Riley Minor, Ellensburg, Wash./Brady Minor, Ellensburg, Wash., 4.6, $11,118. 4. **Trevor Brazile, Decatur/Patrick Smith, Lipan, 4.8, $7,813.** 5. Justin Van Davis, Madisonville/Clay O'Brien Cooper, Gardnerville, Nev., 6.3, $4,808. 6. Brandon Beers, Powell Butte, Ore./Jim Ross Cooper, Monument, N.M., 7.3, $3,005. 7. Derrick Begay, Seba Dalkai, Ariz./Cesar de la Cruz, Tucson, Ariz., 9.2. 8. Turtle Powell, Stephenville/Dugan Kelly, Paso Robles, Calif., 9.6. 9. Luke Brown, Stephenville/Kollin VonAhn, Blanchard, Okla., 12.0. 10. Erich Rogers, Round Rock, Ariz./Cory Petska, Marana, Ariz., 14.1. 11. (tie) Kaleb Driggers, Albany, Ga./Travis Graves, Jay, Okla., Nick Sartain, Dover, Okla./Rich Skelton, Llano, Drew Horner, Plano/Buddy Hawkins II, Columbus, Kan., Charly Crawford, Prineville, Ore./Ryan Motes, Weatherford and Colby Lovell, Madisonville/Martin Lucero, Stephenville, NT.

Saddle bronc riding

1. Jake Wright, Milford, Utah, 84.5 points on J Bar's Special Time, $18,630. 2. Chad Ferley, Oelrichs, S.D., 83.5, $14,724. 3. Cort Scheer, Elsmere, Neb., 80.5, $11,118. 4. (tie) Cody Wright, Milford, Utah, and Taos Muncy, Corona, N.M., 79.5, $6,310 each. 6. Jacobs Crawley, Stephenville, 75, $3,005. 7. Heith DeMoss, Heflin, La., 74. 8. Wade Sundell, Boxholm, Iowa, 63.5. 9. (tie) Jesse Wright, Milford, Utah, Tyler Corrington, Hastings, Minn., Isaac Diaz, Desdemona, Cole Elshere, Faith, S.D., Sterling Crawley, Stephenville, Chet Johnson, Sheridan, Wyo., and Bradley Harter, Weatherford, NS.

Tie-down roping

1. Cody Ohl, Hico, 6.7 seconds, $18,630. 2. Trevor Brazile, Decatur, 7.3, $14,724. 3. (tie) Scott Kormos, Teague, and Shane Hanchey, Sulphur, La., 7.7, $9,465 each. 5. Stetson Vest, Childress, 7.9, $4,808. 6. Clif Cooper, Decatur, 8.2, $3,005. 7. Shane Slack, Idabel, Okla., 8.9. 8. Timber Moore, Aubrey, 9.1. 9. Caleb Smidt, Bellville, 9.2. 10. Randall Carlisle, Baton Rouge, La., 10.3. 11. Tyson Durfey, Colbert, Wash., 10.6. 12. Ryan Jarrett, Comanche, Okla., 19.7. 13. Tuf Cooper, Decatur, 22.4. 14. (tie) Justin Maass, Giddings, and Sterling Smith, Stephenville, NT.

Barrel racing

1. Taylor Jacob, Carmine, 13.47 seconds, $18,630. 2. Michele McLeod, Whitesboro, 13.48, $14,724. 3. Mary Walker, Ennis, 13.54, $11,118. 4. Trula Churchill, Valentine, Neb., 13.67, $7,813. 5. Sherry Cervi, Marana, Ariz., 13.72, $4,808. 6. Lisa Lockhart, Oelrichs, S.D., 13.83, $3,005. 7. Kaley Bass, Kissimmee, Fla., 13.90. 8. Jane Melby, Burneyville, Okla., 13.91. 9. (tie) Fallon Taylor, Whitesboro, and Shada Brazile, Decatur, 14.00 each. 11. Christy Loflin, Franktown, Colo., 14.17. 12. Brittany Pozzi, Victoria, 18.82. 13. Sydni Blanchard, Albuquerque, N.M., 18.85. 14. Jean Winters, Texline, 19.14. 15. Sabrina Ketcham, Yeso, N.M., 24.29.

Bull riding

1. Cody Teel, Kountze, 85 points on Bar T Rodeo's Slim Chance, $18,630. 2. Cooper Davis, Jasper, 84, $14,724. 3. Parker Breding, Edgar, Mont., 80.5, $11,118. 4. Josh Koschel, Nunn, Colo., 79.5, $7,813. 5. Tyler Willis, Wheatland, Wyo., 74.5, $4,808. 6. (tie) J.W. Harris, Mullin, Shane Proctor, Grand Coulee, Wash., Trevor Kastner, Ardmore, Okla., Trey Benton III, Rock Island, Chandler Bownds, Lubbock, Cody Campbell, Summerville, Ore., Cole Echols, Elm Grove, La., Elliot Jacoby, Fredricksburg, Tyler Smith, Fruita, Colo., and Steve Woolsey, Payson, Utah, NS.

FIGHT SCHEDULE

Today

At Fantasy Springs Resort Casino, Indio, Calif. (FS1), Josesito Lopez vs. Mike Arnaoutis, 10, welterweights; Francisco Vargas vs. Jerry Belmontes, 12, for Vargas' NABF/WBO Intercontinental super featherweight title.

Dec. 14

At Neubrandenburg, Germany, Juergen Braehmer vs. Marcus Oliveira, 12, for the vacant WBA World light heavyweight title.

At the Alamodome, San Antonio (SHO), Adrien Broner vs. Marcos Rene Maidana, 12, for Broner's WBA World welterweight title; Keith Thurman vs. Jesus Soto Karass, 12, for Thurman's interim WBA World welterweight title; Leo Santa Cruz vs. Cesar Seda, 12, for Santa Cruz's WBC super bantamweight title; Beibut Shumenov vs. Tamas Kovacs, 12, for Shumenov's WBA Super World and IBA light heavyweight titles.

Dec. 21

At Elche, Spain, Kiko Martinez vs. Jeffrey Mathebula, 12, for Martinez's IBF junior featherweight title.

At Leeds, England, Stuart Hall vs. Vusi Malinga, 12, for the vacant IBF bantamweight title.

DISTRICT2-5ABASKETBALLCAPSULES

BY JONATHAN HULL

Girls

ODESSA PERMIAN AT MIDLAND HIGH

When/where: 6 p.m. today, Chaparral Center

Records: Permian 5-4, 2-2 in 2-5A; Midland High 5-7, 3-0

Last game: Lee 53, Permian 47; Midland High 63, Odessa High 28

Notable: Midland High remained undefeated in District 2-5A play with Tuesday's victory against Odessa High. Junior post Aubrie Elliott had a career-high 22 points in the victory with senior Desare' Allen adding 13. ... MHS coach Wesley Torres sees Permian as a dangerous opponent and a tough matchup due to the versatility of the players on the floor. Torres called Permian point guard Te'Ana Washington one of the top players in the district. "They're a tough matchup for us, but I think they're a tough matchup for everybody," Torres said of the Lady Panthers. "(Coach) Angela (Braziel) does a great job with those girls."

Next: Odessa Permian at Odessa High, 6 p.m. Monday; Lubbock Coronado at Midland High, 6 p.m. Monday

LEE AT LUBBOCK CORONADO

When/where: 6 p.m. today, Coronado High School gymnasium, Lubbock

Records: Lee 10-4, 2-1 in 2-5A; Coronado 10-5, 4-0

Last game: Lee 53, Odessa Permian 47; Coronado 61, Abilene Cooper 24

Notable: The Lady Rebels picked up their second straight win, beating Odessa Permian on Tuesday. Bri'An Washington made her return for Lee in that game, and it was a triumphant one, as she scored a game-high 23 points. ... Coronado remained undefeated in 2-5A with Tuesday's win against Abilene Cooper. The Lady Mustangs are the defending 2-5A champions, and have a team capable of repeating that feat this season despite graduating a large number of seniors last season. "I would say I'm somewhat relieved they lost so many seniors last year because they were tough," Lee coach Monica Ramirez said. "They're still solid, still fundamentally sound, still patient. When it comes to doing what they do, they do it well." ... Ramirez thinks Coronado will be a tough matchup in terms of size, but does think the Lady Rebels match up athletically. "Our bigs are going to have their biggest test of the district season for sure," Ramirez said.

Next: Lee at Amarillo Tascosa, 5 p.m. Monday; Lubbock Coronado at Midland High, 6 p.m. Monday

Boys

ODESSA PERMIAN AT MIDLAND HIGH

When/where: 7:30 p.m. today, Chaparral Center

Records: Permian 2-2, 1-1 in 2-5A; Midland High 3-4, 1-0

Last game: Lee 67, Permian 65; Midland High 73, Odessa High 64

Notable: Midland High got off to a good start in District 2-5A play Tuesday with a comeback win against Odessa High. The Bulldogs outscored OHS, 22-9, in the fourth quarter to pick up the win. The Bulldogs had five players score in double figures, including 13 for Shawn Rivers. This win was vital for the team's confidence. "It's huge," MHS coach Charles Tatum said. "For those guys to see they can get a win to start off the district season goes a long way for their confidence. And confidence is an important thing in basketball." ... Permian is the defending District 2-5A champion, but is coming off a disappointing loss to Lee in which a comeback from an 18-point deficit came up just short. The Panthers got 29 points from guard Robert Thomas, who Tatum said is probably the district's MVP. "Rob is a very good guard, capable of making every one on the team better," Tatum said. "You hope you can limit his scoring, but he's good about getting his teammates involved, too. It's going to have to be a total team effort to defend him. We need to try to limit his touches. If we can do that, we might have a chance."

Next: Odessa Permian at Odessa High, 7:30 p.m. Monday; Lubbock Coronado at Midland High, 7:30 p.m. Monday

LEE AT LUBBOCK CORONADO

When/where: 7:30 p.m. today, Coronado High School gymnasium, Lubbock

Records: Lee 3-2, 2-0 in 2-5A; Coronado 7-1, 2-0

Last game: Lee 67, Odessa Permian 65; Coronado 47, Abilene Cooper 42

Notable: The Rebels picked up a huge win Tuesday, holding off a late Odessa Permian charge. Donald Ekman led Lee with 24 points and 11 rebounds. Beating Permian — the defending 2-5A champion — was a big boost for Lee's confidence moving forward. "These guys are starting to learn that if you do things the right way and play for the guys next to you, good things are going to happen," Lee coach Chris Packer said. "I think we can play even better basketball as we continue to learn that." ... The winner of this game will move into a sole possession of first place in the district, although it's a little too early to get excited about that prospect. "We haven't really talked about that," Packer said. "We understand Coronado, like all teams in this district, is a contender. We've got to play our best game of the year and take it one possession at a time. We want to be 3-0 but we haven't thought about being in first place."

Next: Lee at Amarillo Tascosa, 6:30 p.m. Monday; Lubbock Coronado at Midland High, 7:30 p.m. Monday

HSBASKETBALLROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Girls

MCS WINS TWO AT SONORA

SONORA — The Midland Christian girls basketball team won two games at the Sonora Tournament, defeating Reagan County 54-30 and then No. 12-ranked Harper 52-31.

Morgan Ashton was the only player in double figures with 15 points in the win over Reagan County.

Against Harper, the Lady Mustangs (12-1) were led by Ashton and Lindsey Mills with 15 points each.

Midland Christian will play Sonora at 4:30 p.m. today in the tournament semifinals.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 54, REAGAN COUNTY 30

Reagan County — Jaramillo 5, Saucedo 11, Hardison 1, Spurgeon 6, Gonzales 4

Midland Christian (11-1) — Lisa Blair 3, Megan Ashton 4, Morgan Ashton 15, Liz Blair 2, Catherine Hammond 5, Riley Hill 2, Lindsey Mills 8, Abby Needham 6, Bailey Wright 2, Caroline Hammond 6

Reagan County	8	8	6	8	—30
MCS	13	11	13	17	—54

Free throws — RC 5-6, MCS 7-13. 3-point goals — RC 1 (Saucedo), MCS 3 (Mo. Ashton 2, Mills). Total fouls — RC 12, MCS 13. Fouled out — Saucedo.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 52, NO. 12 HARPER 31

Midland Christian (12-1) — Lisa Blair 8, Megan Ashton 4, Morgan Ashton 15, Catherine Hammond 3, Mills 15, Wright 3, Caroline Hammond 4

Harper (9-2) — Maner 2, P. Reed 7, Whitton 5, Lumpkin 7, Beyer 1, Sanders 3, White 4, T. Reed 2

MCS	18	11	12	11	—52
Harper	2	11	5	13	—31

Free throws — MCS 16-19, Harper 6-8. 3-point goals — MCS 6 (Mo. Ashton 3, Mills 3), Harper 5 (P. Reed, Whitten, Lumpkin 2, Sanders). Total fouls — MCS 10, Harper 14. Fouled out — None.

Next: Midland Christian vs. Sonora at Sonora Tournament, 4:30 p.m. today

MCA WINS 2 AT CRANE TOURNEY

CRANE — The Midland Classical Academy girls basketball team won both of its games Thursday of the El Ave Shootout, defeating Colorado City 64-46 and then Andrews 44-25.

Against Colorado City, MCA had a 28-21 halftime lead but used a 21-11 run in the third to put the game away.

Alissa Beattie scored a game-high 28 points, Kayla Beattie had 14 and Delanie Griffin added 10.

MCA (7-1) jumped out to a 9-2 lead against Andrews and cruised from there later in the day.

Kayla Beattie scored a game-high 23 points to lead the Lady Knights.

MCA next plays either Big Spring or Stanton in the El Ave Shootout at 2 p.m. Saturday.

MIDLAND CLASSICAL 64, COLORADO CITY 46

Colorado City — Merkett 10, Sutton 6, Muniz 5, Lindsey 2, Barola 4, Kimble 19

MCA (6-1) — Alissa Beattie 28, Kristen Johnson 6, Kayla Beattie 14, Rachel Long 2, Delanie Griffin 10, Morgan Jones 2, Sumner Sparks 2

Colorado City	10	11	11	11	—46
MCA	14	14	21	13	—64

Free throws — CC 10-17, MCA 6-6. 3-point goals — CC 2 (Sutton 2), MCA 8 (A. Beattie 6, K. Beattie 2). Total fouls — CC 4, MCA 12. Fouled out — None.

MIDLAND CLASSICAL 44, ANDREWS 25

MCA (7-1) — A. Beattie 9, Johnson 4, K. Beattie 23, Long 2, Griffin 4, Jones 2

Andrews — Bailey 7, Galindo 4, Santibanez 5, Sanchez 2, Alvidrez 7

MCA	9	19	6	10	—44
Andrews	2	12	4	9	—25

Free throws — MCA 11-14, AHS 0-0. 3-point goals — MCA 8 (A. Beattie 3, K. Beattie 5), AHS 3 (Bailey, Santibanez, Alvidrez). Total fouls — MCA 5, AHS 13. Fouled out — None.

Next: MCA vs. Big Spring/Stanton winner at El Ave Shootout, 2 p.m. Saturday, Crane

NO. 25 FORSAN 66 FLOYDADA 41

Abernathy — Forsan defeated Floydada on Thursday night to earn its fifth victory on the season during the opening day of the Abernathy Tournament.

The Lady Buffaloes (5-2) were led by Ali Knight, who scored a game-high 16 points, Mary-Ashley McDaniel scored 11 and Raegan Haggard had 10.

The Whirlwinds were down 36-22 at halftime and couldn't recover.

NO. 25 FORSAN 66, FLOYDADA 41

Floydada (1-3) — Turner 5, Whalen 6, Daleon 4, Morales 3, Dena 5, Hall 9, Johnson 4, Morales 3, Lerma 2

Forsan (5-2) — Brittney Hergert 9, Jahnia Willard 6, Ali Knight 16, Raegan Haggert 10, Rachel Haggard 3, Mary-Ashley McDaniel 11, Maria Ortiz 11

Floydada	11	11	6	11	—41
Forsan	16	21	14	13	—66

Free throws — Floydada 19-9, Forsan 9-18. 3-point goals — Floydada 2 (Turner, Morales). Forsan 5 (Hergert, Rae. Haggard, McDaniel 3). Total Fouls — Floydada 12, Forsan 15.

Next: Forsan vs. Idalou/New Deal winner at Abernathy Tournament, 3 p.m. Saturday

Boys

MIDLAND CLASSICAL WINS PAIR OF GAMES IN CRANE

CRANE — Midland Classical picked up a pair of victories Thursday in the opening day of the El Ave Shootout.

The Knights first defeated Coahoma, 61-41, and later bested Grady in overtime, 51-48.

Against Coahoma, Garrett Sparks led the team with 21, while John Stallings put in 19. Stallings had that same total against Grady to lead the Knights.

Midland Classical next plays Stanton in the semifinals of the tournament at 3:30 p.m. Saturday.

MIDLAND CLASSICAL 61, COAHOMA 41

MCA (2-2) — Garrett Sparks 21, Blake Gladson 8, Marshall McCray 3, Cannon Echols 2, John Stallings 19, Daniel Snell 8

Coahoma — Caige Miller 2, J. Dean 5, Devin Ruiz 2, Shanen Warneke 4, C. Crabtree 4, H. Adamson 5, Kyler Franks 16, N. McCullough 3

MCA	15	14	22	10	—61
Coahoma	8	8	12	13	—41

Free throws — MCA 3-8, CHS 6-7. 3-point goals — MCA 10 (Sparks 5, Gladson 2, McCray, Snell 2), CHS 6 (Dean, Adamson, Franks 4). Total fouls — MCA 8, CHS 14. Fouled out — None.

MIDLAND CLASSICAL 51, GRADY 48, OT

MCA (3-2) — Garrett Sparks 2, Heath Gladson 7, Blake Gladson 6, Marshall McCray 8, Daniel Snell 9, John Stallings 19

Grady — Garza 10, Perez 5, Briseno 4, Rodriguez 19, Jimenez 5, Avery 5

MCA	12	8	12	12	7	—51
Grady	8	13	18	5	4	—48

Free throws — MCA 4-7, Grady 6-13. 3-point goals — MCA 4 (H. Gladson, B. Gladson 2, Stallings), Grady 11 (Garza 3, Perez, Briseno, Rodriguez 5, Avery). Total fouls — MCA 8, Grady 9. Fouled out — Avery. Technical fouls — MCA, Sparks.

Next: Midland Classical vs. Stanton at El Ave Shootout, 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Crane

MCS SPLITS DURING OPENING DAY IN ALPINE

ALPINE — Grant Little had 54 combined points in two games, but Midland Christian only managed to pick up one win in the first day of the Alpine Tournament.

The Mustangs opened tourney play with a 63-38 loss to Monahans, and then rebounded to beat Presidio, 71-44. Little scored 22 against Monahans and 32 against Presidio. Daniel Venzant and Kaleb Warren each added 14 against Presidio.

The Mustangs (5-3) face the Texas Challenge Academy — a school for at-risk teens in Sheffield — at noon today and will later play El Paso Harmony at 4 p.m.

MONAHANS 63, MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 38

MCS (4-3) — Daniel Venzant 5, Sam Gilbert 3, Grant Little 22, Kaleb Warren 6, Jeremy Baily 2

Monahans — Durango 15, Montez 6, Lair 6, Morales 14, Facus 21, Rodriguez 1

MCS	13	10	10	5	—38
Monahans	20	13	13	17	—63

Free throws — MCS 6-7, MHS 7-11. 3-point goals — MCS 4 (Venzant, Gilbert, Little 2), MHS 2 (Morales, Facus). Total fouls — MCS 11, MHS 11. Fouled out — None.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 71, PRESIDIO 44

Presidio — Bianton 7, B. Olivas 2, Garcia 6, Hernandez 14, Esconteras 1, R. Olivas 6, Machuca 8

MCS (5-3) — Daniel Venzant 14, Sam Gilbert 7, Grant Little 32, Kaleb Warren 14, Devin Nguyen 2, Jeremy Baily 2

Presidio	13	10	7	14	—44
MCS	16	12	27	16	—71

Free throws — PHS 6-10, MCS 19-25. 3-point goals — PHS 4 (Bianton, Hernandez 3), MCS 2 (Gilbert, Little). Total fouls — PHS 19, MCS 18. Fouled out — None.

Next: Midland Christian vs. Texas Challenge at Alpine Tournament, Noon today

HIGH SCHOOL TOURNAMENT SCHEDULES

2013 Gym Bice Classic
Andrews High School
All games at Andrews HS Performance Center

BOYS

Thursday's Scores

Big Spring 62, Amarillo Caprock 45
Seminole 65, Lamesa 37
Greenwood 47, Lubbock Trinity JV 34
Kermit 59, Andrews 45

Today's Games

Consolation Bracket

Semifinals

Amarillo Caprock vs. Seminole, 3 p.m.
Lubbock Trinity JV vs. Andrews, 4:30 p.m.

Championship Bracket

Semifinals

Big Spring vs. Seminole, 6 p.m.
Greenwood vs. Kermit, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Consolation Bracket

Seventh Place Game, Championship semifinal losers, 10:30 a.m.
Final, Consolation semifinal losers, Noon

Championship Bracket

Third Place Game, Championship semifinal losers, 1:30 p.m.
Final, Championship semifinal winners, 3 p.m.

2013 El Ave Shootout
Crane High School

BOYS

Thursday's Scores

First round

Game 1: Latter Rain 45, Wink 41
Game 2: Midland Classical 61, Coahoma 41

Second Round

Game 3: Stanton 49, Latter Rain 42
Game 4: Midland Classical 51, Grady 48, OT

Consolation Bracket

Game 5: Wink 50, Coahoma 46

Today's Games

First Round

Game 6: McCamey vs. Odessa New Way, 10:30 a.m., Old Gym

Second Round

Game 7: Garden City vs. Colorado City, 10:30 a.m., New Gym
Game 8: Crane vs. Game 6 winner, 5 p.m., New Gym

Consolation Bracket

Game 9: Game 6 loser vs. Game 7 loser, 2 p.m., New Gym
Game 10: Latter Rain vs. Grady, 5 p.m., Old Gym

Saturday's Games

Consolation Bracket

Semifinals

Game 8 loser vs. Game 9 winner, 9:30 a.m., New Gym
Game 10 winner vs. Wink, 9:30 a.m., Old Gym

Final

Semifinal winners, 5 p.m., New Gym
Guarantee Game: Game 9 loser vs. Game 10 loser, 2 p.m., New Gym

Championship Bracket

Semifinals

Game 8 winner vs. Game 7 winner, 12:30 p.m., New Gym
Stanton vs. Midland Classical, 3:30 p.m., Old Gym

Third-place Game

Semifinal losers, 8 p.m., Old Gym

Final

Semifinal winners, 8 p.m., New Gym

GIRLS

Thursday's Games

Game 1: Stanton 55, McCamey 54
Game 2: Midland Classical 64, Colorado City 46

Consolation Bracket

Game 3: Colorado City 49, McCamey 37

Championship Bracket

Game 4: Big Spring 50, Stanton 31
Game 5: Midland Classical 44, Andrews 25

Friday's Games

Game 6: Wink vs. Odessa High JV, 9 a.m., Old Gym
Game 7: Coahoma vs. Odessa New Way, 8 a.m., New Gym

Consolation Bracket

Game 8: Game 6 loser vs. Game 7 loser, 2 p.m., Old Gym

Championship Bracket

Game 9: Crane vs. Game 6 winner, 3:30 p.m., New Gym
Game 10: Lamesa vs. Game 7 winner, 3:30 p.m., Old Gym

Saturday's Games

Consolation Bracket

Game 11: Stanton vs. Andrews, 8 a.m., New Gym
Game 12: Game 9 loser vs. Game 10 loser, 8 a.m., Old Gym

Guarantee Games

Game 11 winner vs. Game 8 winner, 3:30 p.m., New Gym
Game 12 winner vs. Colorado City, 3:30 p.m., Old Gym
Game 11 loser vs. Game 12 loser, 5 p.m., Old Gym
McCamey vs. Game 8 loser, 2 p.m., Old Gym

Championship Bracket

Semifinals

Game 9 winner vs. Game 10 winner, 11 a.m., New Gym
Big Spring vs. Midland Classical, 11 a.m., Old Gym

Third-place game

Semifinal losers, 6:30 p.m., Old Gym

Final

Semifinal winners, 6:30 p.m., New Gym

Tiger Woods' half-brother accused of making threat

Associated Press

PHOENIX — The half-brother of golf star Tiger Woods has been arrested in Phoenix for allegedly making a false bomb threat at the government building where he works.

Phoenix police say 58-year-old Earl Dennison Woods Jr. is accused of calling in the threat at the Department of Economic Security building about 8:30 a.m. Thursday.

STATEWIDEHSFOOTBALLPAIRINGS

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

CLASS 5A DIVISION I
State Semifinals
DeSoto (14-0) vs. Allen (14-0), 2 p.m. Saturday, Mesquite Memorial Stadium
Pearland (13-1) vs. SA Madison (11-3), 3 p.m. Saturday, Waco ISD Stadium
State Championship
Semifinal winners, 4 p.m. Dec. 21, Arlington's AT&T Stadium

CLASS 5A DIVISION II
State Semifinals
Cedar Hill (12-2) vs. Lake Travis (12-1), 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Waco's Floyd Casey Stadium
Katy (14-0) vs. SA Johnson (12-2), 4 p.m. Saturday, Houston's Reliant Stadium
State Championship
Semifinal winners, 8 p.m. Dec. 21, Arlington's AT&T Stadium

CLASS 4A DIVISION I
State Semifinals
Denton Guyer (12-2) vs. Dallas Highland Park (13-1), 1 p.m. Saturday, Allen Houston Stratford (12-2) vs. SA Northside Brennan (14-0), 7:30 p.m. today, Houston's Reliant Stadium

State Championship
Semifinal winners, 8 p.m. Dec. 20, Arlington's AT&T Stadium

CLASS 4A DIVISION II
State Semifinals
Aledo (14-0) vs. Ennis (14-0), 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Midlothian
Brenham (13-1) vs. Port Lavaca Calhoun (13-1), noon Saturday, Houston's Reliant Stadium
State Championship
Semifinal winners, noon Dec. 21, Arlington's AT&T Stadium

CLASS 3A DIVISION I
State Semifinals
Stephenville (12-1) vs. Kilgore (13-0), 2 p.m. Saturday, Corsicana
Carthage (13-1) vs. La Grange (13-0), 7:30 p.m. today, Vernon's Newsom Stadium,
State Championship
Semifinal winners, noon Dec. 20, Arlington's AT&T Stadium

CLASS 3A DIVISION II
State Semifinals
Graham (14-0) vs. Argyle (14-0), 6 p.m. Saturday, Justin Northwest

Fairfield (14-0) vs. Sinton (12-2), 7:30 p.m. today, Katy's Rhodes Stadium
State Championship
Semifinal winners, 4 p.m. Dec. 20, Arlington's AT&T Stadium

CLASS 2A DIVISION I
State Semifinals
Wall (14-0) vs. New Boston (13-1), 5 p.m. Saturday, Waco Midway
White Oak (13-1) vs. Cameron Yoe (13-1), 7:30 p.m. today, Allen
State Championship
Semifinal winners, 5 p.m. Dec. 19, Arlington's AT&T Stadium

CLASS 2A DIVISION II
State Semifinals
Cisco (14-0) vs. Leonard (11-3), 4 p.m. Saturday, Saginaw's Chisholm Trail Stadium
Refugio 69, Waskom 33
State Championship
Cisco-Leonard winner vs. Refugio (14-1), 8 p.m. Dec. 19, Arlington's AT&T Stadium

CLASS 1A DIVISION I
State Semifinals
Stamford (12-1) vs. Hico (13-1), 3 p.m. Saturday, San Angelo Stadium
Mart (10-3) vs. Shiner (10-3), 7:30 p.m. today, Austin's Reeves Complex
State Championship
Semifinal winners, 10 a.m. Dec. 19, Arlington's AT&T Stadium

CLASS 1A DIVISION II
State Semifinals
Wellington (12-0) vs. Albany (13-0), 2 p.m. Saturday, Lubbock's Lowrey Field
Tenaha (11-1) vs. Falls City (13-0), 7:30 p.m. today, Waco ISD Stadium
State Championship
Semifinal winners, 1 p.m. Dec. 19, Arlington's AT&T Stadium

SIX-MAN DIVISION I
State Championship
Crowell (13-1) vs. May (14-0), noon Saturday, Arlington's AT&T Stadium

SIX-MAN DIVISION II
State Championship
Grandfalls-Royalty (13-1) vs. Milford (12-2), 3 p.m. Saturday, Arlington's AT&T Stadium

Amaro named Walter Camp First Team All-American

From staff reports

Texas Tech junior tight end Jace Amaro has been named a First Team All-American by the Walter Camp Foundation.

This year's team is the 124th edition making the Walter Camp All-America team the oldest in the nation.

Amaro, a native of San Antonio, is one of six Big 12 student-athletes represented on the first team — joining Baylor offensive lineman Cyril Richardson, Oklahoma center Gabe Ikard, Texas placekicker Anthony Fera, Texas defensive end Jackson Jeffcoat, TCU defensive back Jason Verrett, and Oklahoma State defensive back Justin Gilbert.

This marks his second All-America honor for Amaro in an as many days. He was named to the USA Today First Team All-America team on Wednesday. The Walter Camp All-America team is one of five used by the NCAA to determine consensus All-America honors.

Amaro is closing in on two all-time single-season NCAA records by a tight end in both receptions and receiving yards. He enters the bowl game with 98 receptions and 1,240 receiving yards. Amaro needs 14 receptions and 90 receiving yards to become the new NCAA single-season leader.

Sumlin signs 6-year deal with Aggies

Associated Press

COLLEGE STATION, — Texas A&M coach Kevin Sumlin signed a six-year contract extension worth $5 million a year Thursday after the Texas A&M System Board of Regents unanimously approved the deal.

The deal, which runs through 2019, was agreed to in principle and announced on Nov. 30.

The contract has buyout clauses for both Sumlin and the school. Sumlin, whose name has been associated with several recent high-profile coaching jobs, must pay the school $5 million if he leaves before the end of the 2016 season. The school's buyout clause runs the length of the contract.

Sumlin is 19-6 in two seasons with the Aggies (8-4) heading into the Chick-Fil-A Bowl on Dec. 31. In six seasons as a head coach at Houston and Texas A&M, Sumlin is 54-23.

COLLEGEFOOTBALL AWARDSROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

WINSTON WINS WALTER CAMP PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARD: At New Haven, Conn., Florida State quarterback Jameis Winston has been selected as the Walter Camp player of the year.

The redshirt freshman is the second player from Florida State to win the award, joining quarterback Charlie Ward in 1993. Winston also is the favorite to win the Heisman Trophy on Saturday.

WINSTON WINS DAVEY O'BRIEN AWARD: At Lake Buena Vista, Fla., Florida State star Jameis Winston has won the Davey O'Brien Award, given to the nation's top quarterback.

Winston, the Heisman Trophy favorite, hopes to join the past three Davey O'Brien winners, who all went on to take home the Heisman in the same year.

ALABAMA QUARTERBACK AJ MCCARRON WINS MAXWELL AWARD: At Lake Buena Vista, Fla., Alabama quarterback AJ McCarron has won the Maxwell Award, given to college football's player of the year.

OREGON ST. WR BRANDIN COOKS WINS BILETNIKOFF AWARD: At Lake Buena Vista, Fla., Oregon State junior Brandin Cooks has won the Biletnikoff Award as the nation's most outstanding wide receiver.

BC'S ANDRE WILLIAMS WINS DOAK WALKER AWARD: At Lake Buena Vista, Fla., Boston College's Andre Williams has won the Doak Walker Award, given to the nation's top running back.

FLORIDA ST. K ROBERTO AGUAYO WINS LOU GROZA AWARD: At Lake Buena Vista, Fla., Florida State freshman Roberto Aguayo has won the Lou Groza Award as the nation's best place kicker.

MICHIGAN ST CB DARQUEZE DENNARD WINS THORPE AWARD: At Lake Buena Vista, Fla., Michigan State cornerback Darqueze Dennard has won the Jim Thorpe Award, given to the nation's best defensive back.

PITTSBURGH DT AARON DONALD WINS OUTLAND TROPHY: At Lake Buena Vista, Fla., Pittsburgh defensive tackle Aaron Donald has won the Outland Trophy, given to the nation's top interior lineman.

Donald was presented with the award during the 23rd College Football Awards Show at Disney.

MEMPHIS PUNTER TOM HORNSEY WINS RAY GUY AWARD: At Lake Buena Vista, Fla., Memphis senior Tom Hornsey has been chosen the winner of the Ray Guy Award winner as the nation's best punter.

PITTSBURGH DT AARON DONALD WINS BEDNARIK AWARD: At Lake Buena Vista, Fla., Pittsburgh defensive tackle Aaron Donald has won the Chuck Bednarik Award as the defensive player of the year in college football.

Tannehill can run, but Dolphins won't overdo it

By Andrew Abramson
Cox Newspapers

DAVIE, Fla. — Dolphins quarterback and Big Spring grad Ryan Tannehill is no longer grounded, but coaches said he doesn't quite have the green light to run.

Through the first nine games this season, Tannehill had just two games with double-digit rushing yards.

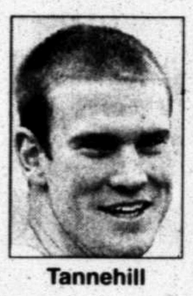
Over the last four games he averaged 34 yards rushing. At Pittsburgh on Sunday, Tannehill broke away for a 48-yard gain on a read option — the longest run by a quarterback in team history — and Miami won 34-28.

Despite this recent success on the ground, offensive coordinator Mike Sherman doesn't want Tannehill to be "a running quarterback."

"He's a pocket quarterback who has good feet and can get himself out of trouble and was able to convert some (first) downs by running on pass plays," Sherman said.

He described Tannehill's running as a way "to keep people honest for the most part." His runs remain relatively rare.

"Some weeks we use it, some weeks we don't," Sherman said. "I think the element of surprise allows you an opportunity to maybe pull a run out like we did."


Tannehill

Tannehill is emerging as a passer. He currently is 10th in the NFL with 3,315 passing yards — ahead of veterans such as Eli Manning, Tony Romo and Joe Flacco. Tannehill also is ahead of Robert Griffin III, Andrew Luck and Russell Wilson — other second-year quarterbacks who have been far more heralded.

Tannehill's teammates like the fact that the former college wide receiver can mix in the run. They said that when he does so, it's rarely on a designed play.

"He decides when he wants to run," left tackle Bryant McKinnie said. "It's not really a play call. If he doesn't see somebody open he takes off.

"It brings another dimension to us. Now people have to really focus on keeping him contained because he's actually a pretty fast runner. The defensive line has to become more disciplined — you have to worry about keeping him in the pocket."

Tannehill has been rolling out more in recent weeks. It's been successful and his sack total is down. The Dolphins were allowing nearly four sacks a game through the first 10 games. They have given up an average of two sacks per game in the last three.

"Teams throughout the league, there's quarterbacks that maybe aren't the most athletic guys but still run for first downs," receiver Brian Hartline said. "It's very important to get runs from your quarterback."

Sherman said the read option — already fading in the NFL after its popularity a year ago — is nothing new for Tannehill.

"We've had that in the offense, and there have been times where he's given it and there are times previously where he's kept it — not that he did to the level on Sunday," Sherman said.

He said he didn't want Tannehill running too much as a rookie because the team "wanted to make sure that we developed his skills as a quarterback."

"He's going to be recognized as a pocket quarterback before he's going to be recognized in this offense as a running quarterback," Sherman said.

Tannehill actually is on pace for fewer rushing attempts than last season. As a rookie, he ran 3.1 times per game. This year, he is rushing 2.8 times per game, although in the last four weeks his average is up to 3.3 attempts per game.

His yards per carry are way up — 6.1 this season compared to 4.3 in 2012. He already has more rushing yards (220) than last season (211).

Tannehill said of his runs: "A couple of them are designed, but I'd say primarily it's just finding a running lane on as a pass play and scrambling for some yards.

"It's not something we went in and coaches said, 'We want you to run X amount of times per game.' It's just a feel, like OK, no one's open down field, you feel a running lane and you're able to get out and get some yards."

Tannehill said he would be happy to use the run to diversify his game.

"I'm still developing," he said. "I don't think I'm done by any stretch of the imagination."

COWBOYS

From 1C

certainly helps your pass coverage on the back end, and you know we've had guys in and out of our lineup. We've had a lot of new guys playing."

High-priced cornerback Brandon Carr couldn't stop Calvin Johnson one-on-one in a loss to Detroit, and the Saints' Drew Brees picked apart a zone. Neither zone nor man worked against Chicago because bigger receivers Marshall and Alshon Jeffery simply outjumped or outmuscled the Cowboys for the ball.

"You can't give up," Carr said. "There is no doubt. There is no lack of confidence. There isn't any questioning going on, just what can we do to win the next game."

Dallas could start by getting its defense off the field at least once.

MANZIEL

From 1C

have led to a much longer suspension.

He shook off his early season drama to throw for 3,723 yards and 33 touchdowns and led the team in rushing with 686 yards and eight more scores. He threw more touchdown passes, had more yards passing, a better completion percentage and averaged more yards an attempt than he did in 2012.

He's third in the nation in total offense with 368.2 yards a game and fourth in pass efficiency.

Manziel dealt with various nagging injuries this season and said this week that he's getting better as the Aggies have some time off before facing Duke in the Chick-Fil-A Bowl on Dec. 31. His thumb injury is still bothering him the most, but he said it isn't anything that would keep him out of the bowl game.

Manziel continued to spend time with quarterback guru George Whitfield to work on becoming a more polished quarterback.

"I wanted to come back and be a better quarterback, not just a guy who some people say is a good athlete," he said. "I never wanted to be labeled as that. So to work hard with coach Whitfield multiple times this summer to put in the work I thought ... to get where I needed to be."

Left tackle Jake Matthews has enjoyed blocking for Manziel and said his ability to evade tackles makes his job much easier.

"It's fun to watch him run around the field and see the things he does to the other guys," Matthews said. "I just try to give him as much time as I can and let him make the plays."

Manziel said he thinks he's ready to play in the NFL, but the sophomore insists he hasn't made a decision about his future. Most assume that he will leave College Station, but despite Tweeting that he was growing tired of the town this summer, he indicated that he wasn't itching to get out.

Chargers play keep-away in win over Broncos

By Arnie Stapleton
Associated Press

Chargers	**27**
Broncos	20

DENVER — Mike McCoy's gamble paid off big-time.

San Diego's coach outfoxed his mentor John Fox and handed his former pupil Peyton Manning his first divisional loss since coming to Denver as the Chargers stunned the Broncos 27-20 on Thursday night.

McCoy bucked conventional wisdom and give Manning the ball first, deferring after winning the coin toss.

It seemed like a huge mistake when Manning, who entered the game with 45 TD throws as leader of a high-octane offense that was scoring nearly 40 points a game, needed just seven plays to put the Broncos ahead 7-0.

Before long, Manning had Denver up 10-3.

But then, the Chargers held the Broncos to just 13 yards on their next 13 plays covering nearly 30 minutes of game clock, allowing just one first down and forcing Manning to go three-and-out three times.

Meanwhile, the Chargers were chewing up yards and clock on their way to winning the time of possession by an astonishing 17 minutes, 38 seconds.

And San Diego's win sent ripples through the AFC playoff picture.

The Chargers (7-7) are now in the thick of the wild-card race with their second win in four days over a Manning brother — they eliminated the New York Giants from the NFC playoff race Sunday with a 37-14 win over Eli's team — and the Broncos (11-3) were left to sweat out the long weekend.

Now, the New England Patriots (10-3) can surpass them in the race for the top seed in the AFC with a win over Miami and the Chiefs (10-3) can tie them atop the AFC West again, although the Broncos own the tie-breaker there.

Philip Rivers threw two TD passes to rookie Keenan Allen in the first half and Nick Novak kicked a 38-yard field goal, giving the Chargers a 17-10 lead at the break.

The Chargers cashed in on their coin-toss deferment when they drove right down the field again and Ryan Matthews slipped Von Miller's tackle for a 23-yard TD on San Diego's opening drive of the third quarter to make it 24-10.

Even when they were backed up at their 1, things went right for San Diego.

Lined up to punt out of their own end zone on fourth-and-4 from their own 7, the Chargers got Broncos linebacker Nate Irving to jump into the neutral zone.

NFL STANDINGS AND BOX

STANDINGS
AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	10	3	0	.769	349	287
Miami	7	6	0	.538	286	276
N.Y. Jets	6	7	0	.462	226	337
Buffalo	4	9	0	.308	273	334
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-Indianapolis	8	5	0	.615	313	316
Tennessee	5	8	0	.385	282	318
Jacksonville	4	9	0	.308	201	372
Houston	2	11	0	.154	250	350
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Cincinnati	9	4	0	.692	334	244
Baltimore	7	6	0	.538	278	261
Pittsburgh	5	8	0	.385	291	312
Cleveland	4	9	0	.308	257	324
West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
x-Denver	11	3	0	.786	535	372
Kansas City	10	3	0	.769	343	224
San Diego	7	7	0	.500	343	311
Oakland	4	9	0	.308	264	337

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	8	5	0	.615	334	301
Dallas	7	6	0	.538	357	348
N.Y. Giants	5	8	0	.385	251	334
Washington	3	10	0	.231	279	407
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	10	3	0	.769	343	243
Carolina	9	4	0	.692	298	188
Tampa Bay	4	9	0	.308	244	291
Atlanta	3	10	0	.231	282	362
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
x-Seattle	11	2	0	.846	357	205
San Francisco	9	4	0	.692	316	214
Arizona	8	5	0	.615	305	257
St. Louis	5	8	0	.385	289	308

x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division

Thursday's Score
San Diego 27, Denver 20

Sunday's Games
Philadelphia at Minnesota, Noon
Washington at Atlanta, Noon
San Francisco at Tampa Bay, Noon
Seattle at N.Y. Giants, Noon
Chicago at Cleveland, Noon
Houston at Indianapolis, Noon
Buffalo at Jacksonville, Noon
New England at Miami, Noon
Kansas City at Oakland, 3:05 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Carolina, 3:05 p.m.
Arizona at Tennessee, 3:25 p.m.
New Orleans at St. Louis, 3:25 p.m.
Green Bay at Dallas, 3:25 p.m.
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.

Monday's Game
Baltimore at Detroit, 7:40 p.m.

CHARGERS 27, BRONCOS 20

San Diego	3	14	7	3	—27
Denver	10	0	0	10	—20

First Quarter
Den—Caldwell 15 pass from Manning (Prater kick), 11:51.
SD—FG Novak 38, 5:15.
Den—FG Prater 32, 1:22.

Second Quarter
SD—Allen 19 pass from Rivers (Novak kick), 9:46.
SD—Allen 10 pass from Rivers (Novak kick), 1:05.

Third Quarter
SD—Mathews 23 run (Novak kick), 11:06.

Fourth Quarter
Den—Caldwell 5 pass from Manning (Prater kick), 10:25.
SD—FG Novak 35, 2:36.
Den—FG Prater 42, :29.
A—76,497.

	SD	Den
First downs	24	19
Total Net Yards	337	295
Rushes-yards	44-177	11-18
Passing	160	277
Comp-Att-Int	12-20-0	27-41-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-6	1-12
Punts	3-42.0	4-46.5
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	4-35	6-43
Time of Possession	38:49	21:11

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—San Diego, Mathews 29-127, Woodhead 9-29, R.Brown 3-12, Rivers 3-9. Denver, Moreno 8-19, Ball 3-(minus 1).
PASSING—San Diego, Rivers 12-20-0-166. Denver, Manning 27-41-1-289.
RECEIVING—San Diego, V.Brown 3-54, Royal 3-46, Allen 2-29, Gates 2-23, Woodhead 1-13, Mathews 1-1. Denver, Caldwell 6-59, Ball 5-49, Moreno 5-36, J.Thomas 4-49, D.Thomas 4-45, Decker 2-42, Tamme 1-9.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—None

BROWN

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talking about competing for a national championship. The Longhorns last played for a BCS title in 2009, but fan frustration has mounted after a string of seasons that failed to meet expectations.

Notably attending Brown's news conference was influential Texas booster Red McCombs, who is a close friend of Brown's and one of the university's most generous donors. McCombs told reporters he hopes Brown comes back next year — but didn't blink about the caliber of coach Texas could get to replace him.

If the Longhorns job comes open, expect more speculation about Alabama coach Nick Saban replacing him. The AP reported last month that after last season Texas regents had spoken with Saban's agent about the possibility of replacing Brown and approached Brown about stepping down.

Saban has deflected those reports. But McCombs expressed confidence about Texas' ability to lure him to one of the wealthiest athletic programs in the nation.

"I don't think there is any question about 'getting him,'" McCombs said. "When Mack came there, budgets were an issue; they are not an issue now. Hell, all the money that's not at the Vatican is up at UT."

Brown is 158-47 at Texas, including a national championship in 2005 and another BCS title game against Alabama four years later. But since 2009, the Longhorns are 30-20 and 18-17 in the Big 12.

Rangers draft Seahawks QB Russell Wilson

By Howe Rumberg
Associated Press

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. — Yes, Russell Wilson loves baseball. But, for now, the Seattle Seahawks' quarterback is thinking about getting his team to the Super Bowl.

Wilson was selected by the Texas Rangers from the Colorado Rockies on Thursday in the Triple-A portion of baseball's winter meeting draft.

Wilson, who played minor league baseball for parts of two seasons before becoming an NFL star, will be placed on Texas' restricted list.

"At the end of the day, he obviously has a lot bigger things that he's working on right now," Rangers assistant general manager A.J. Preller said, "and we don't want to interrupt with that aspect of it. But if at some point down the road he decides he wants to do baseball again, we felt like it would be a positive to have him with us."

Wilson was drafted as a second baseman by the Rockies in the fourth round of the 2010 amateur draft out of North Carolina State, where he excelled at both baseball and football. In two seasons at the Class A level he hit .229 with five homers and 26 RBI.

In 2011, he left the Rockies for football at the University of Wisconsin. He was required to return to the Rockies a part of his $200,000 signing bonus.

Wilson said he was stunned Thursday when he got the phone call from Texas general manager Jon Daniels.

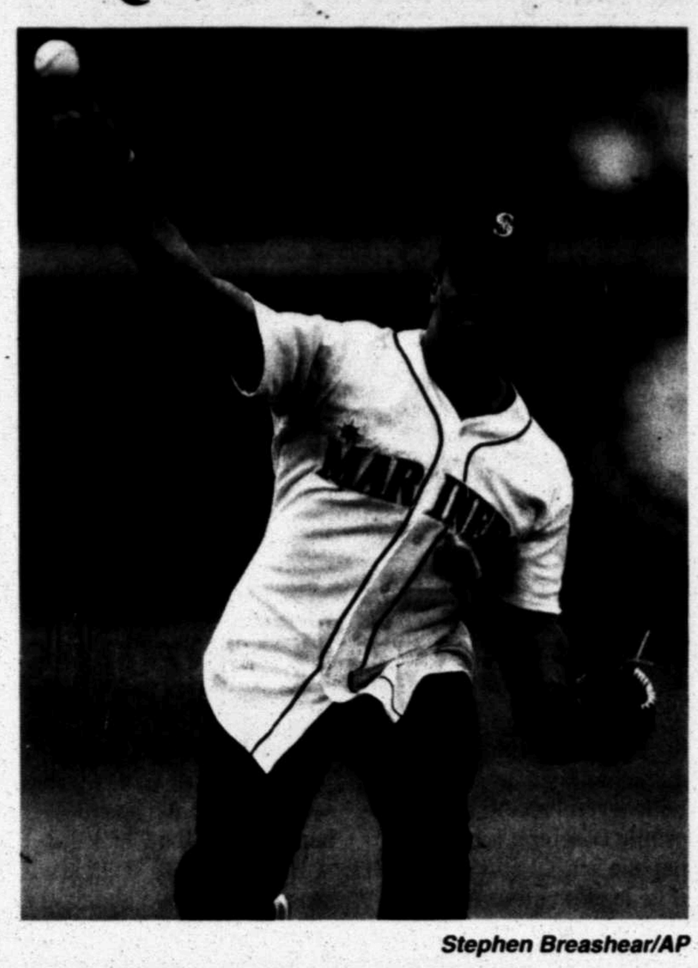
"It's a pretty cool thing. It's my third time being drafted in baseball so it's a blessing for sure," Wilson said. "At the same time my focus is on football. Mr. Daniels and I talked about that obviously. He knew that. ... My focus is on football and what we're doing here."

The 25-year-old Wilson was taken in the third round of the 2012 NFL draft. He led Seattle to the playoffs in his rookie year and the Seahawks are 11-2 this season. Wilson has been a regular fan at Seattle Mariners games during the football offseason.

"I love baseball. But football is where my first love is," Wilson said. "It's a blessing to be able to have the experience of playing professional baseball before and obviously playing in the National Football League doesn't get any better."

The Rangers thought the $12,000 fee they will have to pay the Rockies was worth the investment.

"You see him playing on Sunday. You hear about the work ethic, the person," Preller said. "I think that's going to be a positive message for all of our players in our system."



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Seattle Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson throws out the ceremonial first pitch before a June 7 game with the Seattle Mariners in Seattle. Wilson has been selected by the Texas Rangers from the Colorado Rockies in the Triple-A portion of baseball's winter meeting draft. The Rangers made the Rule 5 pick Thursday.

Legwand leads Predators to win over Stars

By Jim Diamond
Associated Press

Predators	3
Stars	1

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — A long dormant Predators power play ls finally beginning to produce.

David Legwand had a goal and an assist to lead Nashville to a 3-1 victory over the Dallas Stars on Thursday night.

Patric Hornqvist and Paul Gaustad also scored for the Predators, who have won two straight. Carter Hutton made 33 saves.

Nashville closed out the first period with power-play goals from Hornqvist and Legwand just 28 seconds apart.

"When you can go 2 for 2 pretty much on the power play, that's a game-changer," Legwand said. "It's huge for our team. Executing 5-on-3s is big."

The Predators had not scored a power-play goal in their previous six games, five of which were losses.

"When we score a power-play goal, it's pretty good," coach Barry Trotz said. "The last six or seven games, it's been a little bit dry in terms of the goal production. That was a real big turning point for us. It gave us a lot of confidence at home."

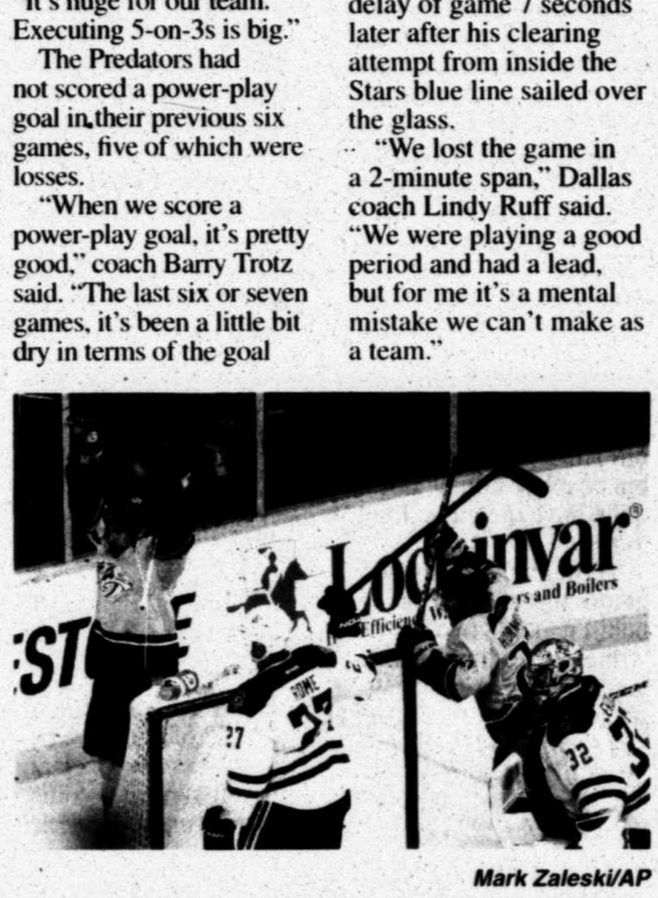
Erik Cole had the goal for Dallas, which has lost three of four.

Cole scored the game's first goal at 18:07 of the opening period when he took possession of the puck behind the Nashville net and skated out front before lifting a backhand over Hutton's right shoulder.

Making his second consecutive start, Hutton improved to 6-3-1 this season.

Dallas got into trouble when Shawn Horcoff took a high-sticking penalty at 18:45 and Brenden Dillon was sent off for delay of game 7 seconds later after his clearing attempt from inside the Stars blue line sailed over the glass.

"We lost the game in a 2-minute span," Dallas coach Lindy Ruff said. "We were playing a good period and had a lead, but for me it's a mental mistake we can't make as a team."



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Nashville forwards David Legwand (11) and Patric Hornqvist (27) celebrate after Legwand scored a goal against Dallas Stars goalie Kari Lehtonen (32) and defenseman Aaron Rome (27) in the first period of Thursday's game in Nashville, Tenn.

COLLISIONS

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month over brain trauma.

"How much is it that they're paid a lot more than they used to be?" said New York Mets GM Sandy Alderson, chairman of the rules committee. "It's a combination of those things. But I think what's crystalized our thinking is probably the concussion issue. Try to be proactive."

This year's winter meetings likely will be remembered most for the rules decision. There were just six trades — two more than during last year's draft session in Nashville, Tenn. As the meetings ended, the Chicago Cubs acquired Justin Ruggiano from Miami in a swap of outfielders, and Seattle completed its $240 million, 10-year contract with All-Star second baseman Robinson Cano, a deal agreed to last week.

Outfielder Michael Morse agreed to a $6 million, one-year deal with San Francisco, pending a physical. Right-hander Roberto Hernandez and Philadelphia stuck a one-year deal, a person familiar with the agreement told the AP, speaking on condition of anonymity because the pitcher was subject to a physical.

Crashes at home plate have been a baseball tradition and a staple of television highlight shows. Some traditionalists such as career hits leader Pete Rose are against a change.

But some in MLB management fear continuing the status quo could lead to possible liability.

"I think it's always been in a lot of people's minds as odd that we allow collisions there and we don't really allow them at other bases," Los Angeles Dodgers President Stan Kasten said. "I think it's frankly overdue."

Even without collisions, catchers get banged up more than most other players. Mauer was hit on the mask by a foul tip Aug. 19 and missed the final six weeks of the season. Still bothered by headaches and light sensitivity in October, he consulted with doctors at the Mayo Clinic and will be switching to first base in 2014.

"When I kept gathering information, to be honest with you, it wasn't really even a decision," Mauer said last month. "I kept searching to see if it was going to be OK, if it was going to be safe for me to go back there and catch, and I just wasn't finding that."

Pierce, Garnett help Nets beat Rivers' Clippers

By Brian Mahoney
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Paul Pierce and Kevin Garnett share a championship with Doc Rivers and a bond that didn't break when they ended up on opposite coasts.

"I'll always have a special place for Doc," Garnett said.

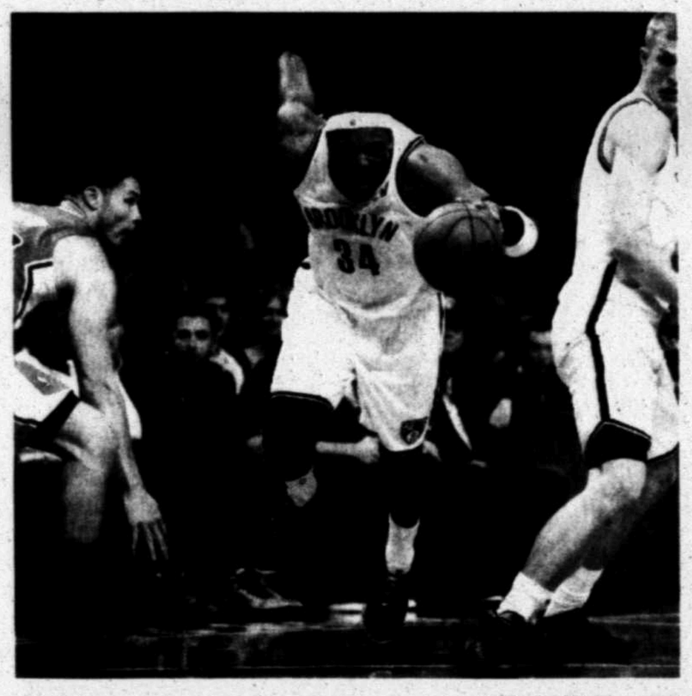
Now the two veterans are trying to teach a new team what they learned from their old coach.

Andray Blatche and Joe Johnson each scored 21 points in the Brooklyn Nets' 102-93 victory over the Los Angeles Clippers on Thursday night, making Pierce and Garnett winners in their first matchup with Rivers.

Brook Lopez had 16 points and Deron Williams 15 for the Nets, who won their season-high third straight. Pierce scored 10 points off the bench in his second game back from a broken hand.

Chris Paul scored 20 points but had just two assists as the Clippers lost for the first time in nine games this season when he reaches 20.

Pierce and Garnett went 2-0 in a reunion tour of ex-Celtics this week. They helped the Nets beat Boston here Tuesday, then Rivers made an emotional return to Boston on Wednesday. Rivers said before this game he knew it would be fun because of how competitive his two former stars are.



Kathy Willens/AP

Los Angeles forward Blake Griffin, left, and Brooklyn Nets forward Mason Plumlee, right, watch Brooklyn forward Paul Pierce (34) as Pierce drives past them in the first half Thursday at the Barclays Center.

It finally rubbed off on their new team, as the Nets were much more fired up than in some of their poor performances during an 8-14 start.

"We hope so. I think our experience, our competitiveness, our leadership, hopefully can rub off on everybody," Pierce said. "We're starting to see signs of that, and that's what we're here for."

Garnett had just two points but played rugged defense on Blake Griffin, hitting him so hard on one foul that officials originally called it a flagrant before overturning it when replay showed he'd actually hit Griffin in the upper arms, not the face.

Rivers coached Pierce and Garnett to the 2008 NBA title, but wasn't interested in remaining in Boston for a rebuilding era. The Celtics let him go to Los Angeles for a first-round pick. The Clippers wanted Garnett, too — and maybe even Pierce — but the teams couldn't find a way to make a deal that would've been legal under NBA rules.

Pierce and Garnett were eventually dealt to the Nets, and Rivers remains close with the duo. Garnett took a detour during his intense pre-jump ball ritual to stop at the Clippers bench for a hug with Rivers and his assistants from Boston.

"I was shocked that Kevin came over before the game because he has a routine," Rivers said. "I turned to (assistant Tyronn Lue) and said, 'Well, Kevin's going to struggle now. He just broke his routine.' But no, we talk all the time. It was nice. They were really happy about last night is basically what they both said."

Pierce chatted with Rivers a couple of times, joking that he knew all his plays.

Both players sat out Nets' loss in Los Angeles on Nov. 16, along with Williams and Lopez. The Nets are healthier now and finally playing good basketball — although Lopez landed awkwardly and reinjured his ankle, and it's unknown if he'll play Friday at Detroit.

Griffin had 12 points and 11 rebounds but shot 2 of 8 for the Clippers, who were a step behind on the sixth stop of their seven-game road trip that wraps up Saturday at Washington.

"We've got to put everything into that game," Paul said. "We're going to D.C. Washington is a team that's been playing well. We've got to win it. It's early in the season but it's a must-win for us so that we can at least feel somewhat decent for this trip."

NHL ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

BLUE JACKETS 4
RANGERS 2

NEW YORK — Matt Calvert, Artem Anisimov and David Savard scored in the first 11:10, and the Columbus Blue Jackets beat the Rangers 4-2 on Thursday night, sending New York to its fourth straight loss.

The Rangers, 0-3-1 on its nine-game homestand, closed within 3-2 in the third period, but Ryan Johansen pushed Columbus' lead back to two goals with 1:32 left.

FLYERS 2
CANADIENS 1

PHILADELPHIA — Michael Raffl and Claude Giroux scored goals, Steve Mason made 20 saves, and Philadelphia edged Montreal.

Jakub Voracek had two assists, and Giroux also had an assist to help the Flyers snap a three-game losing streak and extend their home winning streak to six games. They were coming off a 2-3-1 trip in which they finished up 0-2-1.

SENATORS 2
SABRES 1

OTTAWA, Ontario — Craig Anderson stopped 40 shots in Ottawa's win over Buffalo.

Bobby Ryan and Zack Smith scored for the Senators (13-14-6), who have earned at least a point in four straight games.

LIGHTNING 2
RED WINGS 1, SO

TAMPA, Fla. — Martin St. Louis scored in the sixth round of the shootout, and Tampa Bay beat Detroit.

St. Louis netted the lone shootout goal when he beat Jonas Gustavsson to the stick side. Detroit, which has lost all six of it shootouts this season, failed this time against Ben Bishop.

Nikita Kucherov scored for the Lightning in regulation. Kyle Quincey had the Red Wings' only goal of the night.

BLUES 6
MAPLE LEAFS 3

ST. LOUIS — David Backes scored twice and Jaden Schwartz added a goal and two assists to lead St. Louis over Toronto.

St. Louis has won eight of 11 overall. At 13-2-2, the Blues are tied with Boston, Pittsburgh and Minnesota for most home-ice wins.

AVALANCHE 4
JETS 3, SO

WINNIPEG, Manitoba — Matt Duchene and P.A. Parenteau scored in the shootout, and Colorado stopped a two-game losing skid by beating Winnipeg.

Duchene also scored twice and added an assist in regulation. Ryan O'Reilly had a goal and an assist for the Avalanche (21-9).

COYOTES 6
ISLANDERS 3

GLENDALE, Ariz. — Rob Klinkhammer had two goals and an assist, Mikkel Boedker scored two of Phoenix's four second-period goals, and the Coyotes beat the road-weary New York Islanders to avenge their worst loss of the season.

BRUINS 4
OILERS 2

EDMONTON, Alberta — Jarome Iginla scored a pair of goals, and Eastern Conference-leading Boston held on to defeat West cellar-dwelling Edmonton.

Dennis Seidenberg and Brad Marchand also had goals for the Bruins (22-8-2), who have won four in a row and eight of 10. Backup goalie Chad Johnson made 39 saves.

FLAMES 2
HURRICANES 1, OT

CALGARY, Alberta — Chris Butler scored at 4:56 of overtime to give Calgary a victory over Carolina.

Brian McGrattan also scored for Calgary, and Paul Byron had two assists, hours after the struggling Flames fired general manager Jay Feaster and assistant John Weisbrod.

NHL STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	32	22	8	2	46	90	64
Montreal	33	19	11	3	41	86	73
Tampa Bay	31	18	10	3	39	87	77
Detroit	33	15	9	9	39	88	87
Toronto	33	16	14	3	35	90	96
Ottawa	33	13	14	6	32	94	106
Florida	32	10	17	5	25	73	106
Buffalo	32	7	23	2	16	54	94

Metropolitan Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	32	21	10	1	43	98	71
Washington	31	17	12	2	36	98	90
Carolina	33	13	13	7	33	76	93
Columbus	32	14	15	3	31	82	88
Philadelphia	32	14	15	3	31	72	86
N.Y. Rangers	33	15	17	1	31	72	86
New Jersey	32	12	14	6	30	73	82
N.Y. Islanders	33	9	19	5	23	83	117

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Chicago	34	23	6	5	51	129	93
St. Louis	30	21	6	3	45	106	70
Colorado	30	21	9	0	42	87	71
Minnesota	33	18	10	5	41	78	77
Dallas	30	14	11	5	33	84	89
Nashville	32	15	14	3	33	74	90
Winnipeg	33	14	14	5	33	86	94

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Anaheim	34	22	7	5	49	108	87
Los Angeles	32	21	7	4	46	88	63
San Jose	31	19	6	6	44	103	78
Phoenix	31	18	8	5	41	103	97
Vancouver	33	18	10	5	41	88	81
Calgary	31	12	15	4	28	81	101
Edmonton	33	11	19	3	25	91	113

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

Thursday's Scores

Tampa Bay 2, Detroit 1, SO
Colorado 4, Winnipeg 3, SO
Columbus 4, N.Y. Rangers 2
Philadelphia 2, Montreal 1
Ottawa 2, Buffalo 1
St. Louis 6, Toronto 3
Nashville 3, Dallas 1
Calgary 2, Carolina 1, OT
Phoenix 6, N.Y. Islanders 3
Boston 4, Edmonton 2
Minnesota at San Jose, late

Today's Games

New Jersey at Pittsburgh, 6 p.m.
Washington at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Vancouver, 8 p.m.

NBA STANDINGS AND BOX

FROM WIRE REPORTS

STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	10	14	417	—
Brooklyn	8	14	364	1
Toronto	7	13	350	1
Philadelphia	7	16	304	2 1/2
New York	6	15	286	2 1/2

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	16	6	727	—
Atlanta	11	11	500	5
Charlotte	10	12	455	6
Washington	9	11	450	6
Orlando	7	15	318	9

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	19	3	864	—
Detroit	10	13	435	9 1/2
Chicago	8	12	400	10
Cleveland	8	13	381	10 1/2
Milwaukee	5	17	227	14

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	17	4	810	—
Houston	15	7	682	2 1/2
Dallas	13	10	565	5
New Orleans	10	10	500	6 1/2
Memphis	10	11	476	7

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Portland	18	4	818	—
Oklahoma City	17	4	810	1/2
Denver	13	8	619	4 1/2
Minnesota	11	11	500	7
Utah	5	19	208	14

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Clippers	15	9	625	—
Phoenix	12	9	571	1 1/2
Golden State	13	10	565	1 1/2
L.A. Lakers	10	11	476	3 1/2
Sacramento	6	14	300	7

Thursday's Scores

Brooklyn 102, L.A. Clippers 93
Houston at Portland, late

Today's Games

Cleveland at Orlando, 6 p.m.
Charlotte at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Philadelphia at Toronto, 6 p.m.
New York at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
Washington at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Brooklyn at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Oklahoma City, 7 p.m.
Memphis at New Orleans, 7 p.m.
Chicago at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Utah at Denver, 8 p.m.
Houston at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.

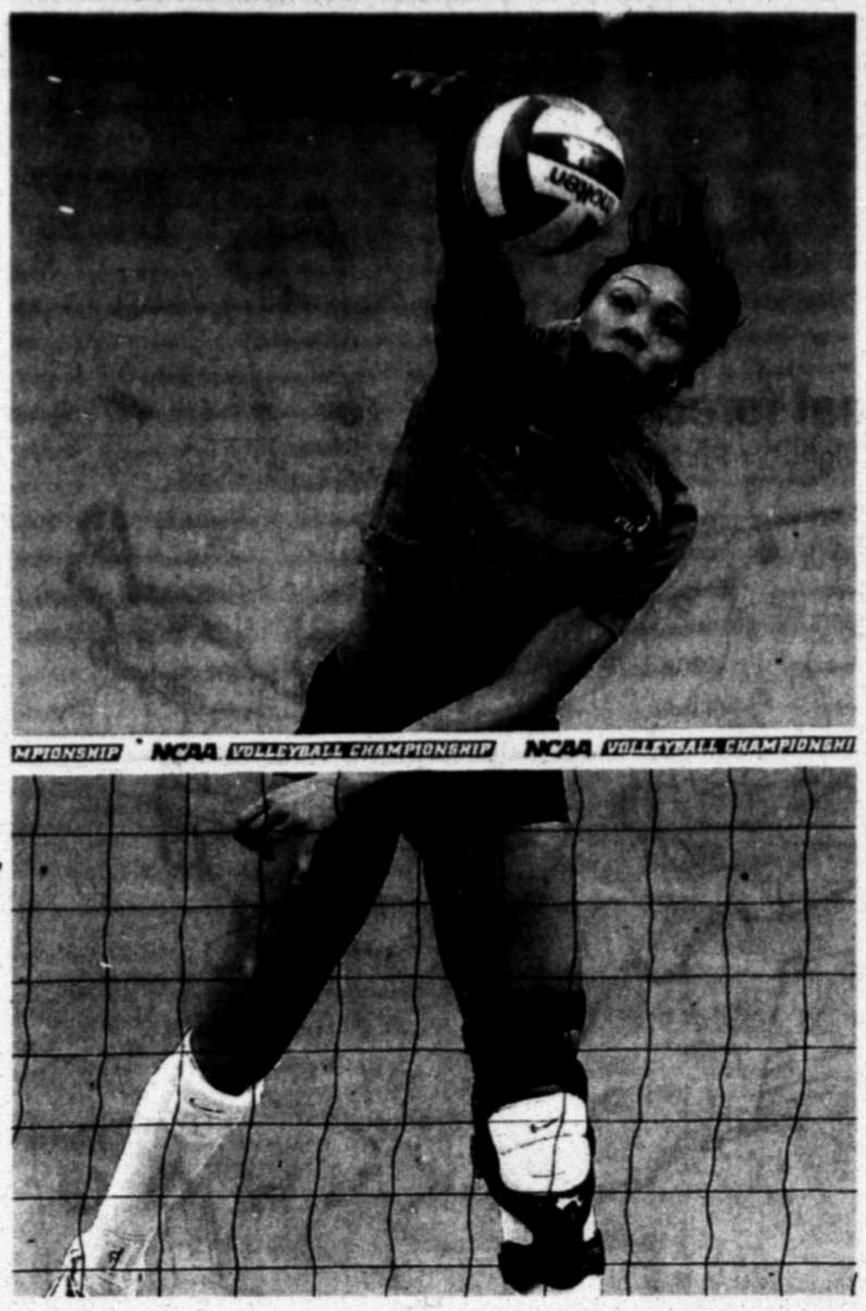
NETS 102, CLIPPERS 93

L.A. CLIPPERS (93): Dudley 1-7 1-2 4, Griffin 2-8 8-13 12, Jordan 2-3 2-4 6, Paul 6-13 6-7 20, Green 2-6 3-4 8, Crawford 5-11 7-12 19, Jamison 3-7 0-1 6, Jackson 1-5 1-2 3, Collison 2-7 4-4 8, Hollins 2-3 3-3 7, Mullens 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 26-70 35-52 93

BROOKLYN (102): Anderson 4-9 1-1 3, Garnett 1-2 0-0 2, Lopez 6-13 4-4 16, Williams 4-9 5-5 15, Johnson 8-13 1-2 21, Blatche 7-11 7-8 21, Pierce 2-7 4-4 10, Livingston 1-3 4-4 6, Plumlee 1-1 2-2 4, Teletovic 2-4 0-0 4, Shengelia 0-1 0-0 0, Taylor 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 33-74 28-30 102

L.A. Clippers	25	19	18	31	— 93
Brooklyn	20	36	27	19	— 102

3-Point Goals—L.A. Clippers 6-24 (Paul 2-3, Crawford 2-6, Green 1-4, Dudley 1-4, Collison 0-1, Jackson 0-3, Jamison 0-3). Brooklyn 8-20 (Johnson 4-7, Williams 2-3, Pierce 2-5, Teletovic 0-1, Blatche 0-1, Taylor 0-1, Anderson 0-2). Fouled Out—Plumlee. Rebounds—L.A. Clippers 59 (Jordan 12), Brooklyn 45 (Blatche 9). Assists—L.A. Clippers 15 (Griffin, Crawford 3), Brooklyn 18 (Pierce 5). Total Fouls—L.A. Clippers 20, Brooklyn 31. Technicals—L.A. Clippers defensive three second 2, Brooklyn defensive three second 3. A—15,563 (17,732).



Nati Harnik/AP

Texas' Khat Bell hits the ball over the net during practice Thursday in Lincoln, Neb. Texas plays American today in a volleyball match in the Lincoln regional.

Texas, Nebraska could meet in volleyball regional

By Eric Olson
Associated Press

LINCOLN, Neb. — Defending national champion Texas' road back to the NCAA volleyball final four runs through familiar territory — Nebraska.

The Cornhuskers parted ways with Texas in 2011 when they joined the Big Ten. But the old Big 12 rivals are on a collision course in the Lincoln Regional.

The No. 1-seeded Longhorns (25-2) take a 21-match win streak into their semifinal against American (34-2) today. The No. 8 Huskers (25-6) will face No. 9 San Diego (26-3) in the other semifinal.

"When I took over we were near the bottom, and we looked up to Nebraska and the way they were running their program in all aspects," 13th-year Longhorns coach Jerritt Elliott said. "We set some high, lofty goals to compete with them. We've finally gotten our program to do that over the last handful of years, and it's what makes sports exciting."

Other regionals are in Lexington, Ky.; Champaign, Ill.; and Los Angeles. Winners move to the final four next week in Seattle. The top three seeds remain alive: Texas, Penn State and Washington. No. 4 Missouri and No. 5 Florida were among the teams knocked out last week.

Texas beat Nebraska in a five-set match in Austin in September and has won six of the last eight meetings with the Huskers, including a 2009 regional final in Omaha.

Nebraska and Texas took turns dominating the Big 12 in the 15 years they were in the league together. The Longhorns have won the league each of the three years since Nebraska went to the Big Ten.

American, out of the Patriot League, has been in the national tournament 13 times in 17 years but has never made it to a regional.

"This match right now, this Texas match, is our national championship," Eagles coach Barry Goldberg said. "If we get it, I'm going to tell you, we're going to think we can win this whole thing, no doubt about it."

The Huskers haven't made it to a final four since 2008, and they'll face a major task just to get past San Diego.

"I told our kids earlier in the week that this is a final four-level regional," Nebraska coach John Cook said. "You've got the No. 1 seed in Texas, San Diego's a great team, American I don't know anything about but obviously they had a great first and second round."

Nebraska has sold out 198 straight matches and will be playing in front of another full house of 8,000 at the Devaney Sports Center. Tickets for the regional were snapped up in one day.

West Coast Conference champion San Diego has beaten Hawaii, Iowa State and Illinois and was ranked as high as No. 2 after knocking off Southern California.

Though Nebraska fans are excited about a possible showdown with Texas on Saturday, the players are looking no further than Friday, Big Ten player of the year Kelsey Robinson said.

"We obviously have a lot of pressure to win because we are hosting," she said. "Obviously Texas has the same amount of pressure because they're the No. 1 team. Right now we're just focused on San Diego. They're a great team and if we don't take them seriously, then we're going to get knocked out."

Klinsmann to remain as US coach through 2018

By Ronald Blum
Associated Press

Even before leading the United States into next year's World Cup, Jurgen Klinsmann has been signed to stay on as the American coach for the 2018 World Cup.

Klinsmann agreed to a four-year contract extension through 2018, the U.S. Soccer Federation said on Thursday.

Coach since July 2011, his new deal gives him the additional title of USSF technical director.

"One of the reasons we hired Jurgen as our head coach was to advance the program forward, and we've seen the initial stages of that happening on the field and also off the field in various areas," USSF President Sunil Gulati said in a statement. "In the past two years he has built a strong foundation from the senior team down to the youth teams, and we want to continue to build upon that success."

The U.S. has won 27 and drawn seven of 44 games under Klinsmann, qualified for its seventh straight World Cup and won this year's CONCACAF Gold Cup.

"I am very fortunate to continue the work we started more than two and half years ago," Klinsmann said in a statement. "The role of technical director is a huge challenge and also a huge opportunity as we look to keep connecting the dots to the youth national teams, coaching education, the development academy and the grassroots efforts in this country."

After winning the 1990 World Cup with West Germany and the 1996 European Championship with Germany, Klinsmann retired as a player in 1998 and moved to California.

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KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Last Man "Elfie" (N)	Neighbors (N)	Shark Tank (N)		20/20		KMID News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live		(:35) News Nightline
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	7 News	Ent. Tonight	Undercover Boss "Massage Heights" (N)		Hawaii 5-0 "Ho'onani Makuakane" (N)		Bloods "Mistaken Identity" (N)		CBS 7 News	(:35) David Letterman		(:35) Late Late
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Seinfeld	Rules of Engage.	The Carrie Diaries "I Heard a Rumor" (N)		Nikita "Pay-Off"		Rules of Engage.	Seinfeld	Community	Community	That '70s Show	That '70s Show
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Bones "The Shot in the Dark"		Raising Hope (N)		Modern Family	Modern Family	The Arsenio Hall Show		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Biblical Israel	Update News	Doorways to Wisdom		Light of the Southwest				Update News	Dr. Alewine	Walking	Y.Salamanca
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	NewsWest 9 at 6 p.m.		Dateline NBC		Grimm "Cold Blooded" (N)		Grimm "Twelve Days of Krampus" (N)		NewsWest 9	(:35) Tonight Show Guests Carson Daly (N)		(:35) LateNight
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Wash. Week (N)	Charlie Rose	Silent Night A retelling of the WWI Christmas Eve Truce. (N)				Charlie Rose (N)		BBC News	Tavis Smiley
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Corazon Indomable		Por Siempre Mi Amor		Lo Que La Vida Me Robo		Teleton USA					
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Fam.Feud	Million..	Monk		Monk		My News	Million..	30 Rock	Sunny	Access H.	OMG!
PREMIUM																	
FLIX	340	65		165		(5:05) Happy Acc...		★★ Nurse Betty Renée Zellweger.				★★ Another Day in Paradise			(:45) ★★★ Jungle Fever		
HBO	300	68	14	14		Movie	State of Play		★★ Identity Thief Jason Bateman.				Get On	Ja'mie	★★ Battleship Taylor Kitsch.		
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	(5:20) Napoleon ...		Treme "This City"		Taken 2 Liam Neeson.			(:35) ★★ I, Robot ('04, Sci-Fi) Will Smith.				Cathouse
HBOS	304	70	16	102		(5:15) Fever Pitch		The Sopranos		For a Good Time, Call...			★★ Meet the Fockers Robert De Niro.				Movie
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	(5:25) Abraham L...		(:15) ★★★ This Means War				Banshee		Banshee		Guide (N)	Chemistry
MAX2	382	72	18	122		(:15) Parental Guidance (2012, Comedy)				★★★ Gangster Squad Sean Penn.				★★ The Negotiator Samuel L. Jackson.			
PLEX			96			(:20) ★★ My Girl 2 Anna Chlumsky.				★ Steel Shaquille O'Neal.			(:40) ★★ Speechless			(:20) Maverick	
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	Masters of Sex		Seven Psychopaths Colin Farrell.				Another Day, Another Time...			(:40) Inside (N)		Movie
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(5:20) Step Up Re...		Lemony Snicket's a Series of Unfortun...				The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Pa...				Bel Ami	
CABLE																	
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	The First 48 "Missing"		The First 48 "Blood Feud"		The First 48 "Into the Graveyard"		First 48 "Game Over/ Long Walk Home" (N)		The First 48 "Killer Debt/ House of Rage"		The First 48 "Blood Feud"	
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	★★★ White Christmas ('54, Mus) Bing Crosby.					(:45) ★★★ White Christmas ('54, Mus) Danny Kaye, Bing Crosby.						Movie
BET	58	26		40		106&P	★★ Just Wright ('10, Com) Common, Paula Patton, Queen Latifah.						Game	Husbands	Husbands	Wendy Williams	
BRAVO	65	63		41		Housewives Atlanta		Styled to Rock (N)		★★ Legally Blonde Reese Witherspoon.				★★ Legally Blonde Reese Witherspoon.			
CNBC	46	45		39	72	The Kudlow Report		CNBC Special		CNBC Special		CNBC Special		Mad Money		CNBC Special	
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		Piers Morgan Live		Crossfire	Unguard	Anthony Bourdain		Piers Morgan Live	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Rush "Paid in Full"		Gold Rush: Dirt (N)		Gold Rush (N)		(:05) Bering Sea Gold		(:05) Gold Rush		(:05) Bering Sea Gold	
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	Dog Blog	Austin	Austin	Liv/Mad	Dog Blog	A.N.T.	Liv/Mad	Austin	Austin	Dog Blog	Jessie	Jessie
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	NBA Countdown		NBA Basketball Los Angeles vs Oklahoma (L)					NBA Basketball Houston vs Golden State (L)				
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	NFL Kickoff		NCAA Football Division I Tournament Quarter-final (L)						SportsCenter		Olbermann	
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	(5:20) Toy Story 2		(:20) ★★★ Toy Story 3 ('10, Ani) Tom Hanks.					Toy Story	The 700 Club		Christmas Cupid	
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File		Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File.	
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Diners...	Diners, Dr.	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	Mavericks Insider	SportsDay OnAir	Legends of High School Football		Boxing Golden Boy Avila vs. Cota -- Redwood City, Calif.				UEFA Magazine	Icons of Coaching	SportsDay High School (L)	
FX	31	31	59	64	69	★★★ Colombiana ('11, Act) Zoe Saldana.				★★★ Colombiana ('11, Act) Zoe Saldana.				★★ The One ('01, Act) Delroy Lindo, Jet Li.			
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	(5:00) Let It Snow		A Holiday Engagement Haylie Duff.				★★ The Christmas Card Edward Asner.				Debbie Macom...	
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	House	House	Celeb. Homes (N)		Hawaii	Hawaii	HouseH	House	House	House	Hawaii	Hawaii
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	American Pickers		Pickers "Duke of Oil"		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		Pickers "Duke of Oil"	
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	(5:00) ★★ A Diva's Christmas Carol		Dear Secret Santa (2013, Drama) Jordin Sparks, Bill Cobbs, Tatyana Ali.				Dear Santa (2011, Drama) Gina Holden, Emma Duke, Amy Acker.				Dear Secret Santa ('13, Dra) Tatyana Ali.	
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Hardball		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		Up Late		MSNBCDocumentary		MSNBCDocumentary	
NBCSN	38	39				NFLTP	NCAA Hockey Colorado College vs. Wisconsin (L)					Premier	NFL Turning Point		Mixed Martial Arts Fight Night		
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Ninja	Ninja	Ninja	Ninja	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	(4:00) Killer Elite		★★ Training Day ('01, Thril) Denzel Washington.					★★★ Law Abiding Citizen ('09, Cri) Jamie Foxx.				
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	Haven		WWE Smackdown! (N)				Haven (N)		Being Human		Haven	
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Seinfeld	Family Guy	TBA	To Be Announced					Pete Holmes	The Office	The Office	The Office
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(5:30) The Golden ...		★★★★ Funny Girl ('68, Mus) Barbra Streisand.					(:45) ★★★★ Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?				
TELE	20	8	10	20		Caso cerrado		Marido en Alquiler		La Reina Del Sur		Santa Diabla		Al rojo	(:35) Titular.	La Reina Del Sur	
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Four Weddings "Holiday Showdown"		Yes to the Dress	Yes to the Dress	Say Yes to the Dress (N)		Four Wedding "...and a Water Ski Show" (N)		Say Yes "The 12 Dresses of Christmas"		Four Wedding "...and a Water Ski Show"	
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	Supernatural "Time After Time After Time"		★★★ The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring Elijah Wood. A group of mythical beings are brought together in a quest to destroy a ring of power.							(:45) ★★ Daredevil ('03, Fant) Jennifer Garner, Ben Affleck.		
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	Griffith	A. Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens
USA	26	30	42	27	49	Law & Order: S.V.U. "Spooked"		Law & Order: S.V.U. "Perverted"		Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Law & Order: S.V.U. "Baggage"	
WGN	19	18				America's Funniest Home Videos		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	WGN News		Met Your Mother	Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.	Parks and Rec

NASCAR taps Small to run Iowa Speedway

By Luke Meredith
Associated Press

Kelsey Kremer/AP

NASCAR Iowa Speedway president Jimmy Small addresses the media after he was introduced during a news conference Thursday at the Iowa Events Center in Des Moines, Iowa.

DES MOINES, Iowa — NASCAR has selected 28-year-old "rising star" Jimmy Small as the president of its newest acquisition, the Iowa Speedway.

The appointment of Small, a senior marketing manager for NASCAR, was announced Thursday at a press conference in Des Moines promoting NASCAR's purchase of the track last month.

Eric Nyquist, NASCAR's vice president for strategic development, said Small's energy and background in improving the fan experience, sponsor relations and ticket sales helped convince the organization to put him in charge of Iowa.

Small has been with NASCAR in a variety of capacities since 2008, most recently with team marketing services in the NASCAR Industry Services department.

"He's had a great track record," Nyquist said of Small. "He's stepping into quite an important role here, and I know that he's going to be quite a success...he loves racing and he's passionate about this opportunity."

NASCAR bought the short track just east of Des Moines from Featherlite Inc., founder Conrad Clement and his family, who owned it for two years. NASCAR is the Speedway's third owner since it opened in 2006 for $70 million.

Neither Nyquist nor Small would say how much NASCAR spent for the Iowa track, with Nyquist saying simply that it was a "fair price."

The Newton Daily News reported last week that NASCAR paid just $10 million for the track.

"We saw this as a very strategic play for us. To step in and take a facility that has performed well to date, and work with the city, the state, our partners, the fan base and our collective industry to take Iowa Speedway to another level," Nyquist said.

The Iowa Speedway is scheduled to host an IndyCar race and two NASCAR Nationwide series events in 2014, though it'll have just one NASCAR trucks race after hosting two in recent years.

NASCAR has been adamant that it has no immediate plans to award a Sprint Cup Series race to Iowa, which could threaten to stifle enthusiasm over NASCAR's involvement with the facility.

But Small pointed to strong ticket sales in previous years and the popularity of short-track racing Iowa — including the annual Knoxville Nationals sprint car championships — as proof that the track can remain viable for years to come.

"It's hard to go into specifics about how we keep (the fans) piqued, but I can tell you is that's what I get really excited about. Our goal with this acquisition and the operation moving forward is for Iowa Speedway to be the crown jewel, the race that all Nationwide competitors, Camping World trucks series competitors, K&N Pro Series competitors and IndyCar drivers circle on their calendars," Small said.

BANANAGRAMS!

LEVEL

Each set of letters below is arranged alphabetically, and the ? is in the correct alphabetical position. Figure out what letter the ? represents and rearrange the letters to spell a seven-letter word. For example, in ACNO?SW the ? could be an O, P, Q, R or S. Here it represents a P, which can be combined with the other letters to spell SNOWCAP. The first letter has been placed to get you started.

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A ? E I L P P — A _ _ _ _ _ _

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A B E L L M ? — B _ _ _ _ _ _

Yesterday's Answer: TERSELY, PENSIVE, OUTLINE

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TODAY: Mostly sunny High: 63 Low: 34

SATURDAY: Sunny High: 61 Low: 30

SUNDAY: Sunny High: 57 Low: 30

Local forecast

Expect mostly sunny skies today, a high around 63 and south winds increasing to between 15 and 20 mph in the afternoon. Tonight's forecast calls for a low around 34 wind gusts as fast as 30 mph.

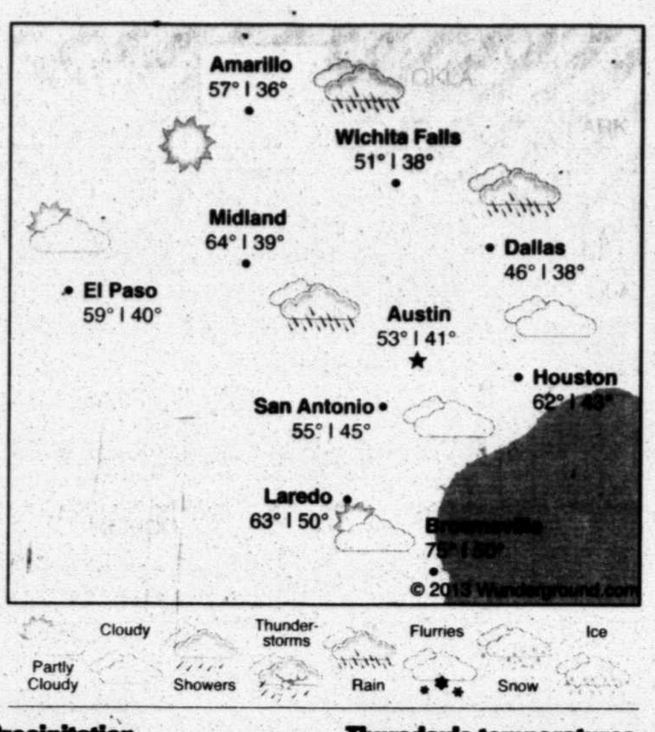
On Saturday and Sunday, expect highs in the 50s and lows in the 30s.

The record high for Dec. 12 is 80 set in 1995. The record low is 10 set in 1989.

Weather Whys

Q: Is black ice more dangerous than regular ice?

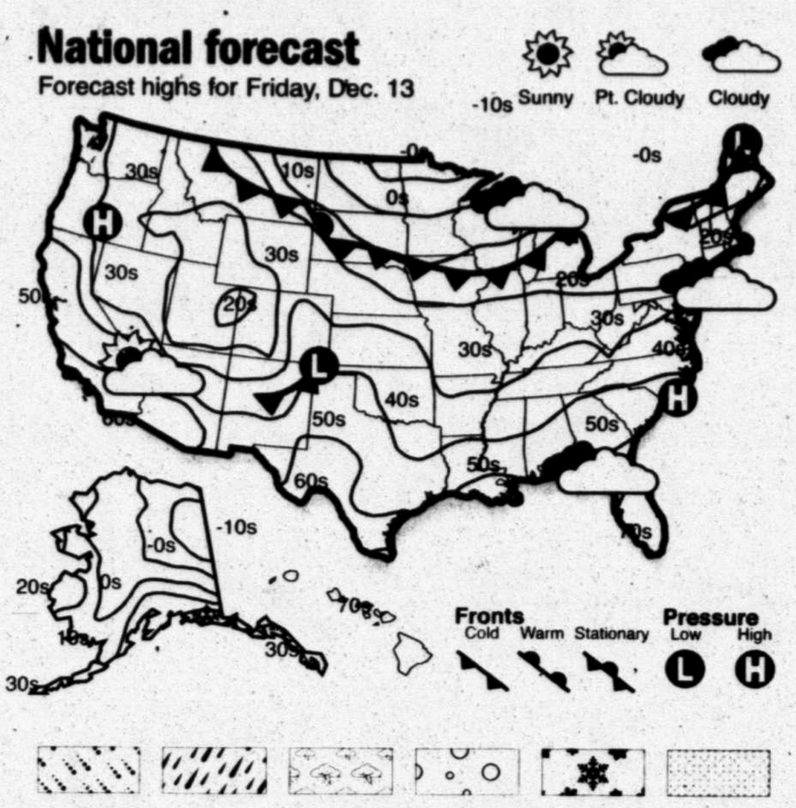
It is almost always more dangerous, said Brent McRoberts, of Texas A&M University. "Black ice often forms at night and early in the morning, when temperatures are low but traffic is high," he added. "Sunlight can often melt it because it is such a thin layer of ice, but black ice can last longer on roads that are protected by shade. One study in Sweden a few years ago showed that there are five times more accidents on roads that have black ice than on dry roads and twice as many accidents as on roads that had packed snow. That's why sanding crews are always important when an ice storm is about to hit."



Precipitation		Thursday's temperatures	
Wednesday	0.00 in.	High	45
Thursday	0.00 in.	Low	25
Month total	0.31 in.	Normal high	58
Year total	7.38 in.	Normal low	31
Normal total (year to date)	14.24 in.	Sunrise	7:40 a.m.
		Sunset	5:46 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Friday, Dec. 13



Teen is determined to turn virtual romance into marriage

DEAR ABBY

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

DEAR ABBY: My 17-year-old daughter, "Erica," is planning to marry her 24-year-old boyfriend. I use the term "boyfriend" loosely because their relationship consists entirely of texting, talking on the phone and the Internet. There has been no dating or getting to know each other in person. Erica is intent on marrying this man even though he has lied to her several times in addition to having lied to us. She is planning to attend a four-year college.

I'm not sure how to handle this. She hid the relationship from us for more than six months. I realize Erica needs to make her own mistakes, but I'm not sure how to make her understand my very real concern about this.

I have raised other children who went through various phases of teenage rebellion, but we reached a general compromise on all types of behavior. However, she is unwilling to discuss the possibility of waiting. Any advice would be appreciated. — NEEDS HELP IN VIRGINIA

DEAR NEEDS HELP: If Erica were my daughter, I'd suggest that because this relationship is so serious, it's time you both paid a visit to her boyfriend. Assuming her father is in the picture, he should be there, too. The subject of who will be paying for college should be discussed, and whether Erica can continue her education if she should become pregnant. It may give her a glimpse of exactly what she's letting herself in for BEFORE the wedding.

Of course the three of you will want to meet as many of his family and friends as possible. Because Erica won't listen to reason, perhaps SEEING will bring her back down to earth. This will also give you (all) a chance to find out what else her "boyfriend" may have been lying about, including his age.

DEAR ABBY: What do I do about my husband's cruelty to our cat? My children love "Miss Kitty," but their dad kicks her and terrorizes the poor little thing to the point where I don't think I can protect her any longer, especially when I'm not home.

I have told the kids that Dad is wrong and not to be like him, but I'm afraid eventually they may think it's OK to mistreat animals. What should I do? — CALIFORNIA ANIMAL LOVER

DEAR ANIMAL LOVER: Find Miss Kitty a good home ASAP! Your husband appears to have sociopathic tendencies. Does he exhibit them in any other ways? A man who mistreats animals might also abuse children if they should get in his way or he is in a bad mood.

Of course, your children will be upset when you give their beloved pet away. Explain that it had to be done because she wasn't safe around their father.

DEAR ABBY: My sister informed me today that her children have registered at Toys R Us and has instructed me to purchase only the toys on their registry for Christmas! Apparently, this is the new way to shop.

Abby, I have never told anyone what to buy my kids, and I'm appalled by this new idea of a Christmas registry. I try very hard to buy great Christmas gifts that my loved ones will enjoy. Am I wrong to think this is rude? — APPALLED SHOPPER

DEAR APPALLED: I agree your sister's request is presumptuous. But I suppose a Christmas registry is a natural progression from wedding and baby registries. There wouldn't be a Toys R Us registry if it wasn't a successful sales tool for people who don't like to shop. Because you are not one of them, and Christmas shopping brings you pleasure, I suggest you do as you wish.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Dec. 13, 2013:

This year you open up to new opportunities once you eliminate your resistances. A partner or a dear loved one encourages you to take grounded risks. If you are single, you could meet someone who feels like you've known him or her forever. The intensity could nearly overwhelm you. If you are attached, the two of you break tradition and attempt to get into a new sport, hobby or pastime together. Laughter often surrounds the two of you. TAURUS often adds to your workload.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ An older relative could be changing, and this adds to your difficulty relating to him or her. Let go of your judgments and accept this person as he or she is. Get out at lunch or some other appropriate time and run some holiday errands. Tonight: Meet friends for some holiday cheer.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ You know when you hit a wall. Accept others as they are, especially if you can't get them to broaden their perspectives. Give up pushing them. When you do, many people will relax and open up because they won't feel challenged. Tonight: Join friends first.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★ The less said, the better, especially with what you might be thinking. Go off and do your thing, whether it is running errands or just getting your hair cut. Don't get so uptight about a money matter. Trust in your ability to find a solution. Tonight: Finish up holiday errands.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ Bring a morning snack for others, whether you go to the office or to the hair salon. Others naturally warm up with food. Express your love to people you care about. Make a point to spread good cheer with holiday cookies. Tonight: Whatever you choose, go with others.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ You will assume a leadership position. You might want to push a friend a little off his or her safe, rigid path so that he or she can function within the parameters of a project. Trust that this tactic will be successful. Tonight: Change your job description to leader of the gang.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ Your mind drifts to the possibility of going off and doing something new, probably involving the holiday. At the same time, a new friend might feel a bit put out. This person might be wondering if you will make time for him or her. Keep the peace. Tonight: Where the action is.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Deal with a loved one directly who might have been touchy recently. Make plans to spend some quality time with this person in the very near future. Choose your time for a talk with care. You are a student in the art of diplomacy. Tonight: Share some eggnog with a loved one.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Refuse to cause a problem. Don't try to manipulate or control someone else. Expect a backfire with that attitude. Try to understand this person's position first. Resist deciding that you already know where he or she is coming from. Tonight: Where there is Christmas music.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ You'll be driven to get your to-do list done. Consider whether the fast pace is worth it; you don't want to be too exhausted to enjoy Christmas. You'll feel good when you can scratch an item off your list. Tonight: Meet a friend for munchies in between doing some shopping.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ Where others' resourcefulness falls flat, you'll save the day with a wonderful idea. Use your creativity well. You can delight friends and loved ones by expressing your originality. Several people will meet you halfway. Tonight: Let the intensity build with a partner.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ A personal matter could demand more attention than you are ready to give. You understand that this issue might need to be resolved quickly. Consider handling it first, if you want to be effective. A family member or roommate can be as stubborn as you are! Tonight: Head home.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ You'll draw others toward you, but you might not want to hear everything they're saying. Distance yourself gently from someone who feels as though he or she is bombarding you. Do not take a loved one for granted; you won't appreciate the outcome. Tonight: Use your imagination!

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BORN TODAY

Actor Jamie Foxx (1967), musician Ted Nugent (1948), singer Amy Lee (1981)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Neither vulnerable. East deals.

NORTH
♠ A 10 7 6 3
♥ K 8 5
♦ 6 3
♣ Q 4 2

WEST
♠ 8 2
♥ J 9 2
♦ 10 9 4 2
♣ 8 7 5 3

EAST
♠ 9
♥ Q 10 7 4
♦ A Q J 7 5
♣ K J 10

SOUTH
♠ K Q J 5 4
♥ A 6 3
♦ K 8
♣ A 9 6

The bidding:

EAST	SOUTH	WEST	NORTH
1	1♠	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Opening lead: Ten of ♦

The opening diamond lead went to East's ace and the suit was continued. South won his king and drew trumps in two rounds, then stopped to consider his prospects. It was entirely possible to lose four tricks on this hand — two clubs and a heart to go with the diamond already lost. Care was required.

South next played the ace of hearts and then a heart to dummy's king, followed by a third round of the suit. Should East win this trick, he would have to yield a ruff-sluff or lead a club toward dummy's queen. Happy days — but no such luck. West was able to win the third heart with the jack and shift to the three of clubs. Low from dummy, the 10 from East, and declarer took a few seconds to count the hand. East had opened the bidding and so far had showed up with, at most, 10 points. East was sure to hold the club king, so winning the ace and playing toward dummy's queen would only work when East started with a doubleton club. East would win the king, but would not have another club to play and would have to give a ruff-sluff.

South found an elegant solution by playing a low club from hand and allowing East to hold the trick. There was no answer for the defense. East would have to lead a club from the king or give a ruff-sluff. Four spades bid and made!

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 1994 movie based on an androgynous "SNL" character
7 2013 Culinary Hall of Fame inductee
13 Dwarfed, with "above"
15 Nonspecific journal opening
16 Severely damage
17 Cross-referencing phrase
19 Tailors' work
20 Work with freight
22 Kosher deli snack
23 Wet tract
25 Smart guy?
27 Prefix with con
28 Old ring leader?
30 Language that gave us "galore"
32 Course-prep course
34 Computer operating system with a penguin mascot
36 Name
38 Hanging aids
39 '80s-'90s legal drama
40 Zap
44 Ice Capades performer
46 One who has class?
47 Bone tissue
50 Right on el mapa
52 Friend of Frodo
53 Diminutive suffix
54 Taking care of business
56 Part of Q.E.F.
58 Board
60 Common auto engine
62 Hyde Park vehicle
65 Tapas bar sausage
67 Tia who voiced Nani in "Lilo & Stitch"
69 Quiver carrier
70 State on Lake Michigan
71 __ Sutton, Bond girl in "A View to a Kill"
72 Creature known for 3-Down

DOWN

1 Hankering
2 Ran like the dickens
3 With 41-Down, 72-Across phenomenon that's graphically demonstrated five times in this puzzle
4 Mountain Dew bottler, informally
5 Dada pioneer
6 Note handler
7 1958 Pacer, e.g.
8 Ginnie __
9 Type of 72-Across
10 Reddish mount
11 Queued up
12 One paying a flat fee
14 Narc's agcy.
18 Type of 72-Across
21 Type of 72-Across
24 Morgan of comics
26 Self-help website
28 Sight from the Brenner Pass
29 Excuse, sometimes
31 Skedaddle
33 List of options
35 BOAC destination in a Beatles hit
37 Some crew members
39 Aeration target
41 See 3-Down
42 Optima or Soul
43 Common street name
45 Type of 72-Across
46 __ diem
47 Type of 72-Across
48 Island farewells
49 News show staple
51 Natives of Paris and Odessa
55 "It floats" soap
57 National Poetry Month
59 Seal hunter
61 "Vous êtes __": Paris map words
63 Italian river
64 Bell curve center
66 Zombie leader?
68 Old vitamin bottle no.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

A	T	O	N	A	L			B	L	O	U	S	E	
C	A	V	E	M	E	N		O	B	O	I	S	T	S
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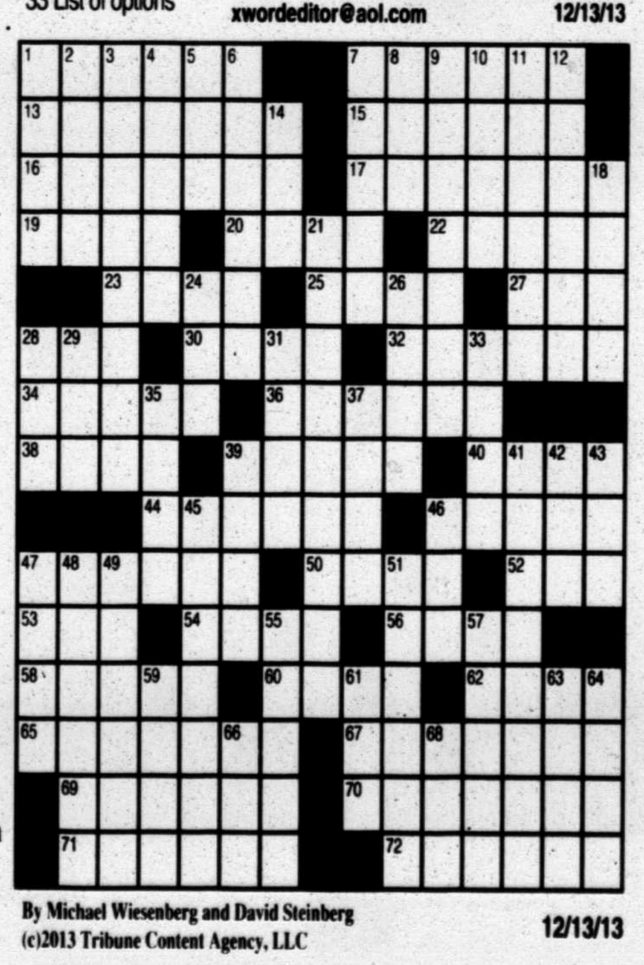

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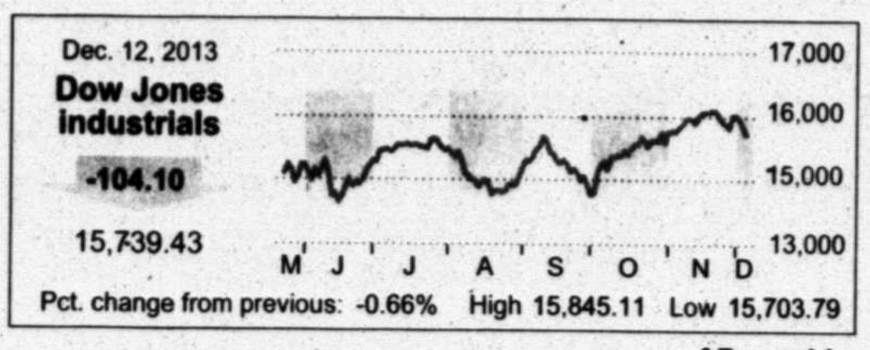

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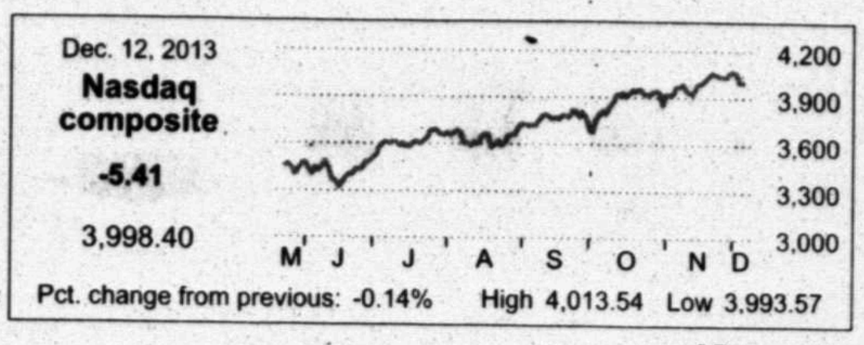

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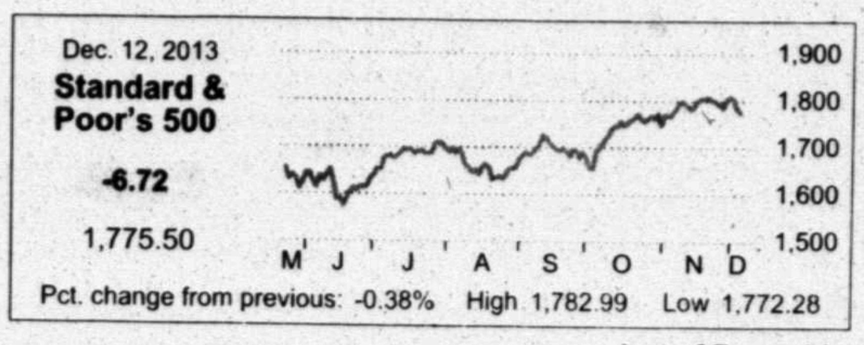

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OIL PRICES

FUTURES

Thursday:	$97.50
Previous:	$97.44

POSTED

Thursday:	$94.00
Previous:	$94.00

WEST TEXAS SOUR

Thursday:	$86.65
Previous:	$86.65

NATURAL GAS

Thursday:	$4.409
Previous:	$4.337

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
S&P500ETF	979153	178.13	-.59
Hilton n	706960	21.50	...
BkofAm	682304	15.25	...
iShEMkts	574788	40.85	-.24
iShJapan	517463	11.89	+.04

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
UNS Engy	58.51	+13.11	+28.9
ZaleCp	14.73	+1.98	+15.5
CSVInvBrnt	26.90	+3.14	+13.2
GrayTvA	11.55	+1.31	+12.8
AerCap	23.91	+2.49	+11.6

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ViolinM n	2.56	-.52	-16.9
ATrFn pfA	18.47	-2.55	-12.1
MaidHld 43	20.50	-2.66	-11.5
MindrayM	35.61	-4.39	-11.0
IAMGld g	3.42	-.42	-10.9

DIARY

Advanced	1,297
Declined	1,777
Unchanged	127
Total issues	3,201
New Highs	29
New Lows	277
Volume	3,324,023,776

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
ImmunoCll	193538	1.10	-1.62
NwGold g	43759	4.86	-.06
SynthBiol	42948	1.04	-.23
NovaCopp	36894	1.38	-.05
AlldNevG	34699	3.29	-.10

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
NTS Rlty	7.00	+2.27	+48.0
ImpacMtg	6.95	+1.06	+18.0
BovieMed	2.12	+.13	+6.5
Organovo	9.47	+.49	+5.5
AlphaPro	2.10	+.09	+4.5

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
EnviroStr s	3.34	-.53	-13.7
Arrhythm	3.48	-.54	-13.4
ERBA Diag	2.06	-.18	-8.0
Air Inds	8.75	-.65	-6.9
DGSE	2.36	-.15	-6.0

DIARY

Advanced	171
Declined	234
Unchanged	29
Total issues	434
New Highs	4
New Lows	28
Volume	114,930,274

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Facebook	881838	51.83	+2.45
SiriusXM	836352	3.47	-.03
Cisco	686102	20.51	-.37
MicronT	516116	22.54	+.04
Microsoft	353739	37.22	-.39

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
CytRx	6.12	+2.10	+52.2
GenVec h	2.28	+.54	+31.0
PointrTel	9.37	+2.18	+30.3
MediciNova	2.64	+.48	+22.2
Sigmatr	7.28	+1.30	+21.7

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SuprtlH pfB	13.61	-11.82	-46.5
SuprtlH pfA	5.00	-3.76	-42.9
SupertlH rs	2.80	-1.20	-30.0
NwstBio wt	2.39	-.61	-20.3
SigmaDsg	4.49	-.86	-16.1

DIARY

Advanced	1,247
Declined	1,301
Unchanged	130
Total issues	2,678
New Highs	45
New Lows	47
Volume	1,822,625,308

Exxon says rising living standards propel energy needs

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Exxon Mobil says the drive for higher living standards around the world will keep demand for electricity and transportation fuels growing even as economies get more efficient and governments put a price on pollution.

The company's annual long-term energy outlook, released Thursday, predicts world energy demand will grow 35 percent by 2040 as electricity and modern fuels are brought to some of the billions of people in the developing world who currently live without power or burn wood or other biomass for cooking and heating. Those growing needs will be somewhat offset by a slow decline in consumption in the far more energy-hungry economies of the developed world.

"People want a warm home, a refrigerator, a TV, someday a car, and a cellphone," said William Colton, Exxon's vice president for corporate strategic planning, in an interview.

There are ample supplies of fuel to meet the world's demands, according to the report, and Colton concludes that average annual growth of 1 percent per year is manageable for the world's energy companies.

Exxon's outlook, which forecasts world energy demand through 2040, is noted by investors and policymakers, and used by Exxon to shape its investments. "The last thing we want to do is delude ourselves about the future," Colton said. "We make billion-dollar decisions on this."

The report's conclusions largely agree with those reached in other long-term energy forecasts, including a recent report by the International Energy Agency.

The outlook predicts demand for oil and natural gas — Exxon's main products — will grow steadily because shippers and truckers will need more diesel to move more goods and utilities will need additional natural gas to make electricity for more people.

Use of coal, now the chief fuel for electricity and the second most important fuel in the world after oil, will flatten in the next decades and slip to third place as countries shift to cleaner natural gas. Nuclear power and renewable electricity sources such as wind, solar and biofuels will grow fastest of all, but remain a small part of the energy mix by 2040 because they will remain expensive.

Exxon expects governments to impose costs on fossil fuel consumption and subsidize renewable energy in an effort to reduce emissions of gases that scientists say are causing climate change. Exxon expects those costs to be roughly $80 per ton of carbon dioxide— a price that may be explicit in the form of a carbon tax or baked in to the cost of new technology and equipment needed to meet stricter emissions limits.

"In one way or another, governments will put in place policy that will increase the cost of hydrocarbons, whether it's on supply or consumption," said Ken Cohen, Exxon's vice president of public and government affairs.

That, along with the drive to reduce costs, will lead to dramatic gains in energy efficiency. Minimum fuel economy requirements in the U.S. and elsewhere are making cars much less thirsty, and stronger building codes and appliance standards will help make homes and businesses more efficient. The slow switch from coal to natural gas, which emits about half the carbon dioxide as coal, will also help slow the growth of climate-changing gases.

Energy-related carbon dioxide emissions are expected to continue to grow through 2030, before leveling off and beginning a slow decline.

Traditional fossil fuels will remain abundant, thanks to improvements in drilling technology. Drillers have learned to extract oil and gas from formations deep offshore and in shale and other rocks that were once impossible to tap. The amount of oil that can be extracted with today's technology is growing, even though the world burns 90 million barrels of it every day.

By 2040, Exxon said, 65 percent of the world's recoverable crude oil will still be in the ground.

A problem for drillers, though, is that the new oil that is being unlocked is more and more expensive to produce. That puts enormous strain on the global energy industry as it works to develop new fields to meet rising demand as current fields decline.

Despite the boom in oil production in North America, the Middle East will remain the center of world oil production. Exxon predicts the nations of OPEC will produce 45 percent of the world's oil by 2040 — up from about one-third now.

Stocks drop for third straight day on Fed worries

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The stock market fell to its lowest level in a month Thursday as investors worried that the end may be nearing for the Federal Reserve's support for the economy.

The Fed's stimulus efforts have been a key factor in the bull market that has pushed the Standard & Poor's 500 index almost 25 higher percent this year. Investors know it will end sooner or later. But the timing, and the fallout, are uncertain.

Until this month, stocks had risen for eight weeks straight. The S&P 500 set a record high as recently as Monday. But stocks posted their biggest declines since Nov. 7 on Wednesday, and dropped further on Thursday. Now they're on the verge of their second weekly loss in a row.

Mexican Congress OKs historic energy bill

Mexico's Congress voted Thursday to open the country's moribund state-run oil industry to foreign and domestic investors, casting aside nationalist opposition to approve the most dramatic energy reform in seven decades.

The 353-134 vote will allow the government to give private companies contracts and licenses to explore and drill for oil and gas, deals now prohibited under Mexico's constitution.

The final step, approval by 17 of Mexico's 31 states, is widely seen as assured.

The state-run oil company, Petroleos Mexicanos, or Pemex, has had a monopoly since the government took over operations of foreign oil companies in 1938, a move that has been revered ever since as a symbol of national sovereignty.

Opponents say they fear that multinationals, especially from the U.S., will once again regain the sort of domination they had over Mexico's oil before 1938. Mexico remains one of the top five crude exporters to the U.S., shipping more than 1 million barrels a day.

Leftist lawmakers tried to block discussion of the measure on Wednesday by seizing the main chamber of the House of Deputies, blocking access with chairs and tables.

When the debate was moved to another room, they dragged out discussion for 20 hours before the measure was finally approved.

"The homeland is not for sale! The homeland is to be defended!" they shouted while holding protest signs and Mexican flags.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $80.20 Down 0.33

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $99.78 Up 1.66

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $31.59 Down 0.13

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $44.96 Down 0.15

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $26.90 Up 0.10

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $7.15 Up 0.01

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $27.77 Up 1.50

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $11.21 Up 0.01

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AES Corp	.20f	15	13.85	-.47	+29.4
AT&T Inc	1.80	25	33.89	-.06	+.5
Abraxas	...	37	3.31	+.24	+51.1
AdamsEx	.84e	...	12.44	-.04	+17.5
Alcoa	.12	27	9.37	+.03	+7.9
AlonUSA	.24a	18	14.60	-.05	-19.3
AlphaNRs	...	...	6.44	-.41	-33.9
AmAirl n	...	...	25.45	-.54	+3.5
AmIntlGrp	.40	23	49.42	+.72	+40.0
Amgen	1.88	18	112.57	-.48	+30.6
Anadarko	.72	24	83.67	+.08	+12.6
Apache	.80	13	86.03	-.39	+9.6
ApldMatl	.40	80	16.72	-.11	+46.2
Aramark n	...	...	22.70	...	...
ATMOS	1.48f	17	44.02	+.19	+25.3
AutoData	1.92f	26	77.15	-.28	+35.5
BP PLC	2.28f	11	46.17	-.53	+10.9
BabsCCInv	1.20a	...	14.76	+.06	-3.4
BakrHu	.60	21	53.03	+.59	+29.8
BkofAm	.04	20	15.25	...	+31.4
B iPVix rs	...	...	47.31	+.20	-62.8
BarrickG	.20	...	16.46	+.08	-53.0
BasicEnSv	...	...	14.21	-.12	+24.5
BerkHa A	...	16	171500.00	-130.00	+27.9
BerryPet	.32	17	49.16	-.06	+46.5
BlkHillsCp	1.52	19	49.67	-.04	+36.7
BostonSci	...	22	11.48	+.30	+100.3
BrMySq	1.40	30	50.55	-.10	+56.8
BrownFA	1.16f	26	72.25	-2.04	+17.5
BrownFB	1.16f	26	73.46	-1.43	+16.1
CVS Care	.90	19	67.57	-.57	+39.8
Cameron	...	19	55.92	+.90	-1.0
Caterpillar	2.40	17	85.57	+.29	-4.5
Celestic g	...	21	9.89	-.01	+21.3
CntryLink	2.16	...	30.76	+.05	-21.4
ChesEng	.35	20	26.73	+.29	+60.8
Chevron	4.00	10	120.99	-1.11	+11.9
Chicos	.30f	18	18.40	-.28	-.3
CienaCorp	...	...	21.31	-1.59	+35.7
Cimarex	.56	21	97.14	+2.06	+68.3
Cisco	.68	11	20.51	-.37	+4.4
Citigroup	.04	13	50.91	+.20	+28.7
ClayEng	...	...	80.20	-.33	+100.5
CocaCola	1.12	21	39.21	-.92	+8.2
ColgPalm s	1.36	26	63.97	-.97	+22.4
ConAgra	1.00	17	32.15	-.37	+9.0
ConchoRes	...	47	99.78	+1.66	+23.9
ConocoPhil	2.76	11	69.48	+.37	+19.8
CrackerB	3.00	21	105.24	-.83	+63.8
CrosTim	2.24e	13	30.00	+.90	+11.4
CytRx	...	...	6.12	+2.10	+227.3
DCP Mid	2.88f	21	46.71	+.39	+11.9
DTE	2.62	18	65.36	+.02	+8.8
Datarm rsh	...	...	3.08	-.01	+55.6
Dawson	...	16	31.59	-.13	+19.7
DevonE	.88	...	59.42	-.15	+14.2
Disney	.86f	20	69.63	-.03	+39.8
DowChm	1.28	42	40.76	-.29	+26.1
EMC Cp	.40	19	23.15	-.18	-8.5
EOG Res	.75	39	158.36	+2.10	+31.1
EmpDist	1.02f	16	22.36	+.16	+9.7
Energen	.58	25	67.65	+1.03	+50.0
EngyTsfr	3.62f	10	52.40	-.29	+22.1
EnPro	...	34	53.65	-.36	+31.2
EntPrPt	2.76f	22	61.20	-.06	+22.2
Ericsson	.43e	...	11.69	-.21	+15.7
ExterranH	...	22	31.21	...	+42.4
ExxonMbl	2.52	10	95.36	+1.10	+10.2
Facebook	...	...	51.83	+2.45	+94.7
FordM	.40	12	16.39	-.02	+26.6
ForestOil	...	12	3.55	-.06	-46.9
GATX	1.24	16	48.49	-.05	+12.0
GabMultT	.80	...	11.16	-.17	+42.2
GAInv	2.70e	...	33.68	-.18	+21.1
GenElec	.76	20	26.54	-.04	+26.4
GenMotors	...	17	40.05	-.11	+38.9
GtPlainEn	.92f	15	23.81	+.22	+17.2
Groupon	...	...	10.40	+.26	+114.0
HalconRes	...	20	3.89	+.04	-43.8
Hallibrtn	.60f	17	49.59	+.60	+43.0
HewlettP	.58	9	26.60	-.39	+86.7
Hilton n	...	...	21.50	...	...
HuntBncsh	.20	13	9.43	+.13	+47.6
IAMGld g	...	10	3.42	-.42	-70.2
iShBrazil	1.36e	...	44.46	+.20	-20.5
iShJapan	.15e	...	11.89	+.04	+21.9
iShChinaLC	.93e	...	38.11	-.42	-5.8
iShEMkts	.77e	...	40.85	-.24	-7.9
iS Eafe	1.76e	...	64.11	-.47	+12.8
iShR2K	1.70e	...	109.84	+.24	+30.3
ImmunoCll	...	...	1.10	-1.62	-42.7
IntegrysE	2.72	14	52.96	+.08	+1.4
Intel	.90	13	24.47	+.05	+18.7
InterDig	.40a	34	32.04	+.26	-22.0
JPMorgCh	1.52	13	56.31	+.24	+28.9
JohnJn	2.64	20	91.16	-1.95	+30.0
Keycorp	.22	14	13.08	+.16	+55.3
KimbClk	3.24	22	103.83	-1.55	+23.0
KindME	5.40f	29	78.86	+.08	-1.2
KindMM	5.40t	46	72.42	-.33	-4.0
LegacyRes	2.34f	...	26.90	+.10	+13.0
Lubys	...	51	7.16	-.06	+7.0
lululemn gs	...	33	60.39	-7.96	-20.8
MktVGold	.46e	...	21.01	-.18	-54.7
McDnlds	3.24f	17	94.10	-1.16	+6.7
Merck	1.76f	29	48.32	-.19	+18.0
MeritMed	...	61	15.15	-.13	+9.0
MexcoEn	...	...	7.15	+.01	+11.1
MicronT	...	23	22.54	+.04	+255.5
Microsoft	1.12	14	37.22	-.39	+39.3
Nabors	.16	36	15.53	+.08	+7.5
NatGrid	3.17e	...	61.25	+.16	+6.6
NOilVarco	1.04	14	78.54	+.17	+14.9
NokiaCp	...	...	7.71	-.02	+95.2
NStarRlt	.84f	...	11.64	-.31	+65.3
NvMAd	.80a	...	11.88	-.01	-21.9
NvPMI	.88	...	12.14	+.02	-18.6
NuvPI	.86	...	12.02	+.06	-19.7
NSTFI3	.63a	...	12.52	-.08	-14.4
NTXQI	.70a	...	12.65	-.02	-20.1
OCZ Tech	...	...	.08	+.01	-95.9
OcciPet	2.56	16	91.24	-.30	+19.1
Oracle	.48	14	33.60	-.96	+.8
Pandora	...	...	26.82	-.35	+192.2
ParTech	...	...	5.46	+.15	+11.4
ParkDrl	...	...	7.74	+.16	+68.3
PattUTI	.20	15	23.59	+.41	+26.6
Penney	...	...	8.55	+.07	-56.6
PennaRE	.80f	...	17.59	+.11	-.3
Prmian	.86e	16	13.72	+.28	+11.9
Petrobras	.27e	...	13.44	...	-31.0
Pfizer	.96	16	30.25	-.40	+20.6
PioNtrl	.08	45	179.08	+2.65	+68.0
PlainsAAP	2.40f	17	48.74	-.29	+7.7
PlugPowr h	...	...	1.98	+.21	+296.0
PwShs QQQ	.98e	...	84.96	-.22	+30.4
Praxair	2.40	22	124.68	+.56	+13.9
PrmEgy	...	10	49.75	+1.27	+116.3
PrUVxST rs	...	...	20.87	+.24	-90.0
ProctGam	2.41	21	82.30	-1.72	+21.2
RangeRs	.16	94	80.28	+.30	+27.8
RegionsFn	.12	12	9.52	+.10	+33.5
RiteAid	...	93	5.59	+.04	+311.0
Rowan	...	17	33.42	+.10	+6.9
RoyDShllA	3.60	9	67.07	-1.08	-2.7
SpdrDJIA	3.49e	...	157.47	-.84	+20.6
S&P500ETF	3.39e	...	178.13	-.59	+25.1
SabnR	3.90e	13	51.46	+.34	+29.3
SanderFm	.80f	17	68.22	+.51	+43.5
SandRdge	...	...	5.40	+.13	-15.0
Sapient	...	29	15.92	-.17	+50.8
Schlmbrg	1.25	17	86.96	+.82	+25.5
SigmaAld	.86	23	89.17	-.49	+21.2
SiriusXM	.05e	50	3.47	-.03	+20.1
Smucker	2.32	19	101.38	-2.61	+17.6
Sprint n	...	...	8.15	+.04	+46.8
SPDR Fncl	.32e	...	21.11	...	+28.8
SunEdison	...	...	11.47	-1.32	+257.3
SunocoLog	2.52f	18	68.70	-.40	+38.1
Synovus	.04	...	3.38	+.03	+38.0
TelefEsp	.47e	...	15.50	-.07	+14.9
Tesoro	1.00	17	56.94	+.69	+29.3
3M Co	2.54	19	126.58	-.19	+36.3
Torchmark	.68	14	76.11	-.05	+47.7
TriContl	.70e	...	19.21	-.01	+19.7
Twitter n	...	...	55.33	+2.99	+23.2
TylerTech	...	90	99.88	+.38	+106.2
UBWV	1.28f	18	31.25	+.15	+28.4
US NGas	...	...	21.37	+.16	+13.1
Vale SA	.78e	...	14.78	-.09	-29.5
Vale SA pf	.78e	...	13.54	-.15	-33.3
ValeroE	.90	16	45.88	-.16	+34.5
VangEmg	1.38e	...	40.22	-.36	-9.7
VerizonCm	2.12	68	48.13	-.36	+11.2
VulcanM	.04	...	54.41	+.51	+4.5
Walgrn	1.26	22	57.55	-.13	+55.5
WellsFargo	1.20	11	43.50	-.02	+27.3
WstnRefin	.88f	8	38.45	+.16	+36.4
WhitingPet	...	13	59.10	+1.16	+36.3
WmsCos	1.52f	39	34.36	+.02	+4.9
XcelEngy	1.12	15	27.78	+.18	+4.0
Xerox	.23	12	11.20	+.04	+64.2
Yahoo	...	34	39.35	+.20	+97.7
Zynga	...	...	4.14	+.09	+75.4

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INDEXES

52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
16,174.51	12,883.89	Dow Jones Industrials	15,739.43	-104.10	-.66	+20.11	+19.50
7,304.49	5,123.97	Dow Jones Transportation	7,059.49	+2.02	+.03	+33.03	+36.23
537.86	443.69	Dow Jones Utilities	478.70	+.40	+.08	+5.65	+6.03
10,229.57	8,298.36	NYSE Composite	9,949.57	-41.88	-.42	+17.84	+19.32
2,471.19	2,186.97	Amex Index	2,336.47	-23.19	-.98	-.81	-1.88
4,081.78	2,951.04	Nasdaq Composite	3,998.40	-5.41	-.14	+32.42	+33.63
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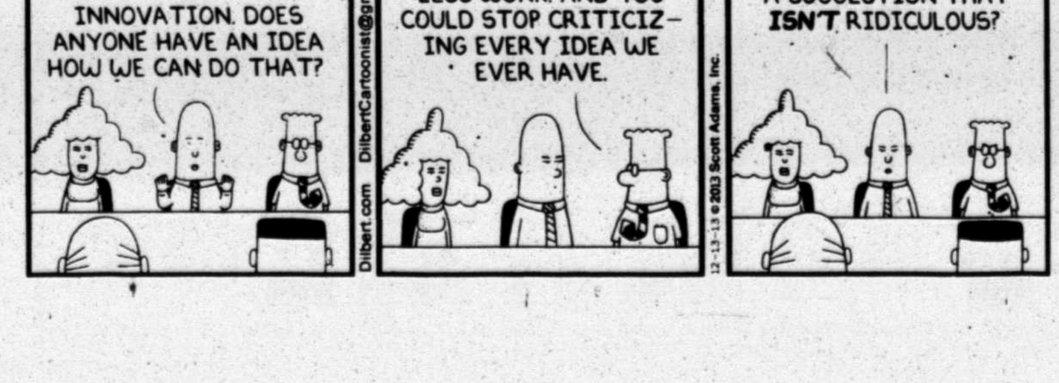

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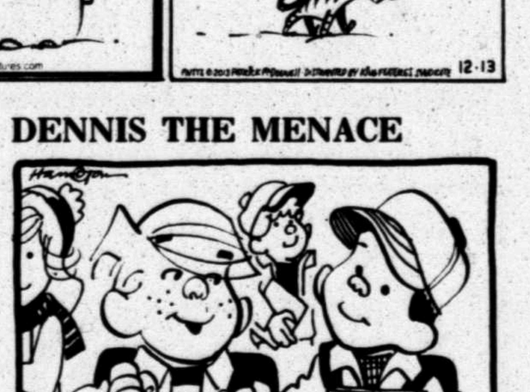

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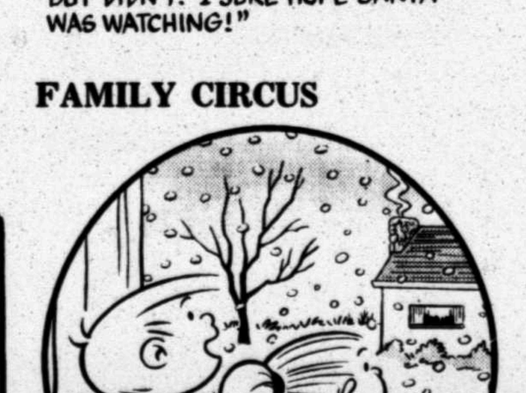

"Yes! I guess my prayer for a white Christmas got put on the fast track!"

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We welcome suggestions or comments. Please call: Jeri Houston, Advertising Sales Manager, 687-8894.

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Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

CHEVRON U. S. A., INC., #15 SMITH ROAD, MIDLAND, TEXAS 79705, has applied to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the SAN ANDRES formation, MABEE UNIT 358W and MABEE UN'T 360W. The proposed amendment to the MABEE UNIT 358W AND MABEE UNIT 360W injection wells are located 22 miles SOUTHEAST from ANDREWS, in the MABEE FIELD, in ANDREWS COUNTY, TEXAS. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 4,376 to 5,212 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show that they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-2967 - Telephone (512) 463-6792.

Legal & Public Notices

Notice of Sale of Personal Property to satisfy a landlords lien for CASH ONLY. Sale Date is Thursday, January 9, 2014 at 10 a.m.
Aztec Storage Center
500 S. Midland Dr.
Midland, TX 79703
#137 Eusibio Marquez
#175 Jennifer Lee Household Goods

Legal & Public Notices

MOTOR MPO POLICY BOARD
Announcement of Meeting.

Date: December 16, 2013
Time: 5:00 p.m.
Located at: Wright Office Complex, Suite 1
9601 Wright Drive
Midland, Texas 79706

MOTOR MPO will meet to hear updates on work in progress related to the Midessa (SH 191) study and the South Midland Mobility study at this meeting and to adopt a Public Participation Plan. The Board may conduct an Executive Session concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by Chapter 551 of the Texas Administrative Code, including but not limited to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 for the purpose of consulting with the board's attorney; Texas Government Code Section 551.072 to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property; Texas Government Code Section 551.074 to discuss personnel matters.

Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0285972
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Dec 5, 2013 Status/Permit No. 773697
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Jan 9, 2014
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION CO, L.P., [RRC Operator No. 216378] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the DISTANCE BETWEEN WELLS requirement for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 11, Blk. 42 T4S, T&P RR CO Survey, A-410, SALLIE ANN (SPRABERRY-WOLFCAMP) Field, MIDLAND County, being 13.15 miles SE direction from ODESSA, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at **(512) 463-6848.**
If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 **(512) 463-6751.**

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Jan 9, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SALLIE ANN (SPRABERRY-WOLFCAMP)

Lease/Unit Name :	TATIA	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	54H	
Lease/Unit Acres :	1954.3	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	100.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	229.0	
Lease Lines :	2277.0 F South L,	843.0 F East L
Survey Lines :	2277.0 F South L,	843.0 F East L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal
Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 2277.0 F SOUTH L
843.0 F EAST L

Terminus Location
BH County: ECTOR
Section: 2 Block: 42 T4S Abstract: 1189
Survey: T&P RR CO/WAWDLOW, O E
Lease Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L
1415.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L
1415.0 F EAST L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SALLIE ANN (SPRABERRY-WOLFCAMP): OIL Special Rules 660/500, 160.0 acres.
OIL Optional Rules 660/500, 40.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 11000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Easton Miller, at (405) 552-4525.

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General Announcements

The Midland Reporter-Telegram will be closed on Tuesday, December 17th, at 2:30 pm in order for our employees to enjoy our annual

Christmas Party.

Happy Holidays!

FROM THE
Midland Reporter-Telegram

General Announcements

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Lost & Found

FOUND CALICO female cat. Call to identify, at 432-697-3516

FOUND CHOCOLATE Lab, female. Call A to Z Vet Clinic to identify. 432-520-8387

FOUND DOG, 7-8 month old male, red colar. Brown/Black Rott mix. 432-230-2763

FOUND - FEMALE dachshund older dog in Midland at Wadley and Midkiff. Very sweet well taken care of please contact Delores at 432-559-0172

Found Female German Shepherd by I-20 and Hwy 349. 432-238-2950

LOST JACK RUSSELL MALE. Black and white. Last seen at Airline mobile home park. Wearing a Harly Davidson collar. Call 432-664-1035

LOST MEDIUM size red female dog with white nose, very shy and thin. Had collar and tags when lost. her name is Susie. Call 432-682-7749

Lost & Found

LOST PET "Ath" gray Miniature Schnauzer, wearing red collar and tags. She does have a microchip. Last seen in the area west of Midkiff between Thomason and Illinois. She is greatly missed. Reward for return. Call 432-689-2039

Autos For Sale or Lease

Passenger Cars

2005 TOYOTA Celica GT. Take over payments. Refinance. Call 312-8686 for more information

CADILLAC 2006 DTS V8, leather. We finance. 432-683-6222 bnbmidland.com

CHEVY 2005 Impala Sedan. $3,995. 2WD Base model. 135k Miles. Call Ronn @ 432-617-8042

CHEVY 2008 Malibu $9950. We finance. bnbmidland.com 432-683-6222

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Passenger Cars

DODGE 2010 Charger SXT. 53k miles. Clean. bnbmidland.com 432-683-6222

FORD 1995 MUSTANG GT 5 speed standard. 95K miles. $4000 432-556-5511

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Passenger Cars

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3715 Andrews Hwy. • Midland
432.272.2900

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Alpine/ Cream Beige Prem., Xenon, Assist & Bluetooth, 98k miles

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2013 BMW 335i Convertible
Jet Blk/Blk Conv. Prem. Nav. SaT. Though Loading System heated seats 4k miles. DEMO

2013 BMW 535i
Dark Graphite / Blk M sport , Tech, Prem , heated , head up display 6k miles, Service loaner

2013 BMW 528xi
Space Gray/Oyster Prem, Heated seats, rear view camera , Nav. 4k miles, Demo

2007 GMC Yukon
Gray/Blk Sat, Rear Seat Ent, 3rd row, 125k Super Clean

2012 BMW 535i
Space Gray/Oyster Prem sound, Sport , Prem. 11k miles, CPO

2012 Mercedes CLS550
Blk/Blk Harman Kardon, Nav., 20k miles

2012 BMW 328i Coupe
Mineral Wht/Oyster M sport , Prem., hi- fi, nav., 12k miles

2013 BMW 328i
Wht/Blk-Red Blk racing Stripe Sport line, Sport Trans, Nav, Heated seats, 3k miles, Unique

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SUDOKU

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk

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SOLUTION TO THURSDAY'S PUZZLE

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Accountant

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Pay will be discussed at interview.

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GeoGuidance Drilling Services, Inc. is currently seeking experienced Business Development Representatives for West Texas. Candidates must have at least 5+years in Business Development specifically in the Directional Drilling sector of Oil & Gas. All candidates are required to have a clean driving record and drug free. All Serious applicants, please send RESUME to jobs@ggdsinc.com or mail to 901 Tower Way, Bakersfield, CA 93309

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Monday-Thursday from 2-6. Event and meeting planning,Make travel arrangements,running errands,setting appointments,monitor expenses. Attach resume with references and salary expectations. rduffey13@yahoo.com

ENERGY & UTILITIES

DIRECTIONAL DRILLER

Directional drilling company seeking experienced drillers in West Texas. Must have at least 2 yrs experience. Send resume to resumes@aimdir.com.

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An established environmental consulting company is currently looking to fill a field technician position. The position is fulltime with benefits and requires working in the field. Good mechanical aptitude is preferred, but not required. Duties include: groundwater sampling, obtaining groundwater data from monitor wells, and recovering phase separated hydrocarbons from monitor wells. Use of personal vehicle may be required and may travel more than 150 miles per day. Compensation is hourly and will be discussed during the interview. Please send resumes to Becky via email to rhaskell@novatraining.cc or by mail to 2057 Commerce Drive, Midland, Texas 79703.

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United Casing, Inc. FT

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OTHER JOBS

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c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram
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E-mail: jmaddox@hearstnp.com
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SALES

Directional drilling company seeking knowledgeable, experienced salesperson. Send resume to resumes@aimdir.com

Salesperson

Salesperson needed for mattress store in Midland. Are you tired of working furniture store hours from dawn to dark? Personable, energetic individual needed for full time position. Should be good with people and have a professional appearance. Job description includes both sales and clerical/administrative duties. Compensation includes full commission (no tiers, minimums or holdbacks), plus spiffs, vacation, and 401k. No late hours or Sundays. Mail resume to Sleep Shop, 3303 W. Illinois, Midland, TX. 79703

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Kyle Erwin Construction, 1511 Rogers St. (Industrial Park) Snyder, TX 79549

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Odessa, TX
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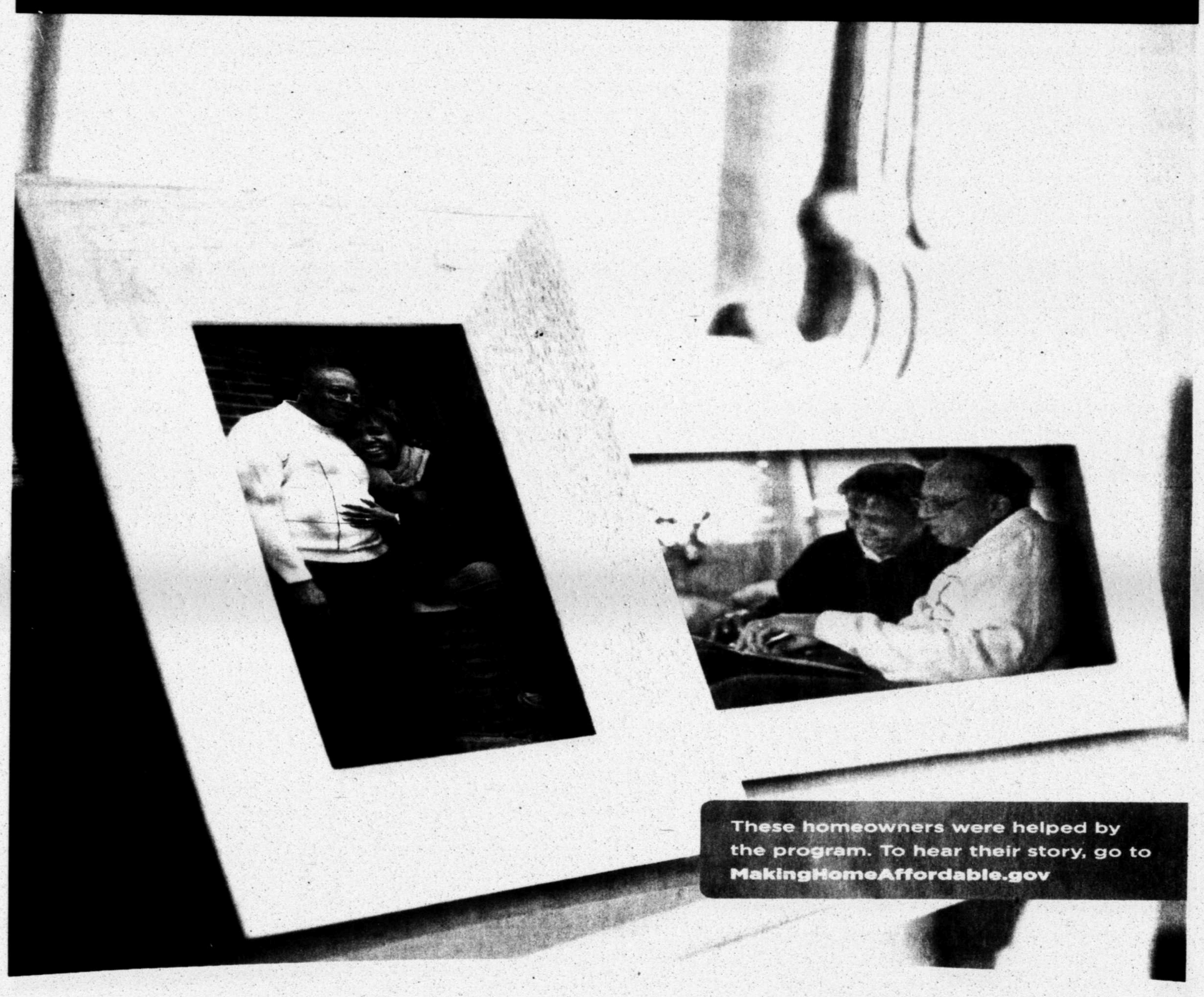

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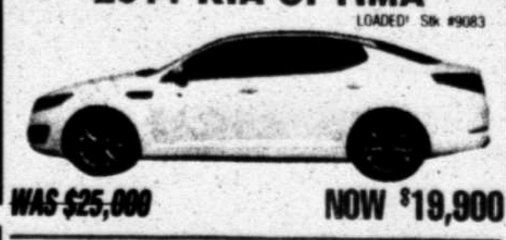
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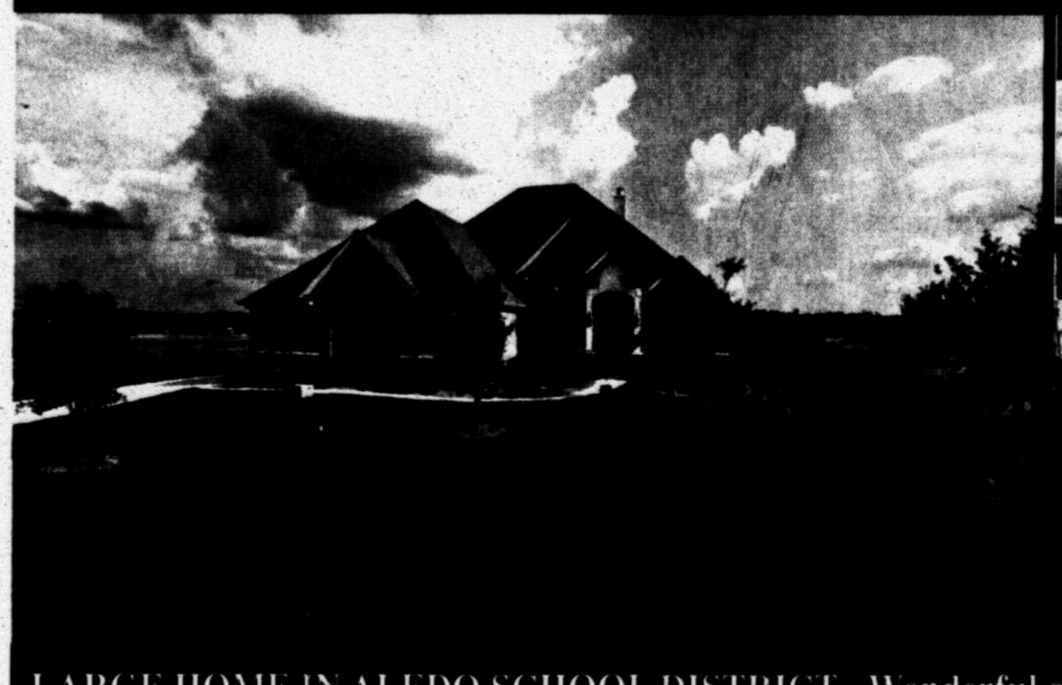

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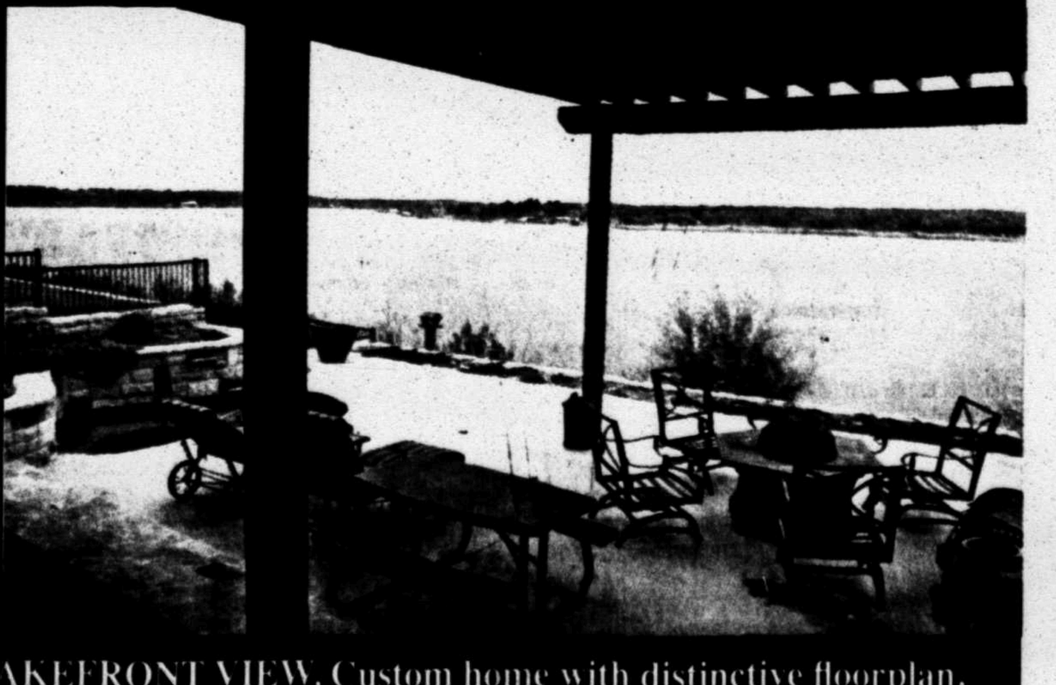

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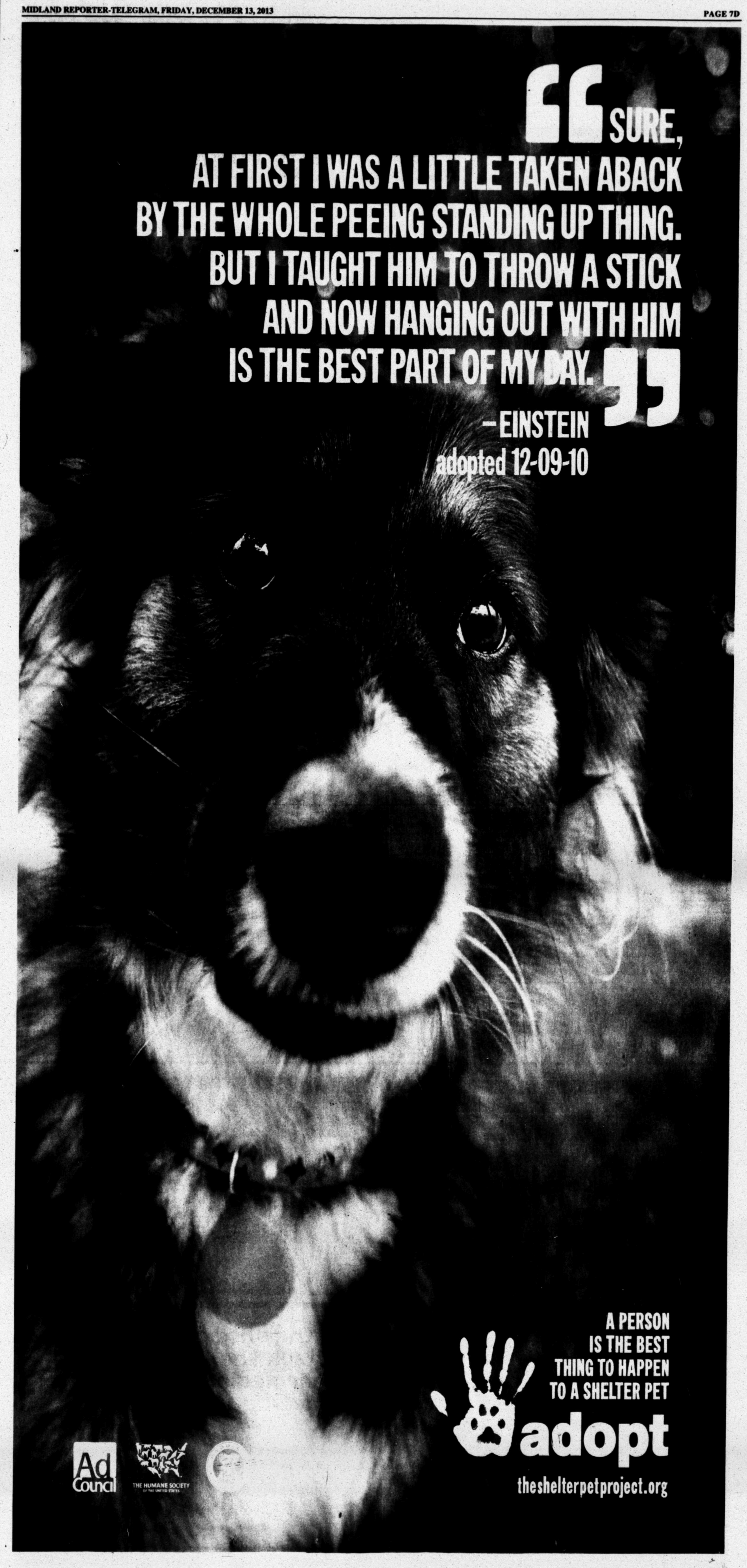
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