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BUSINESS IN THE TALL CITY



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Energy Tower rumored to split into two towers

By Joseph Basco
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Reports are spreading that Energy Tower at City Center may become two smaller towers, a sign that the building developers have heard the concerns of the people.

Tower developers have seriously considered converting the 53-story skyscraper into two 25-to-30 story towers, as revealed in a Reporter-Telegram Business Insider magazine interview with Midland Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Bobby Burns. He said Midlanders could see the potential change as a positive step.

"Two towers with 25 or 30 stories may provide a much more palatable addition to our downtown than one massive structure," Burns said in the interview.

Current Mayor Jerry Morales and former Mayor Wes Perry both said in separate interviews that they, too, have heard the reports about the redesign, but not from the developers themselves. Both believe making two smaller buildings would be welcomed by the community that has created an uproar ever since the high-rise was announced almost one year ago.

Energy Tower was originally going to be a 53-story skyscraper that would include floors for office space, hotel rooms, condominiums and retail space. Some people complained about the design, noting that it was too tall and did not conform to the area, as it was going to be more than double the height of the 24-story Bank of America Building, downtown Midland's tallest building.

Designs for the two smaller buildings have

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Don't miss it!

Check out MRT Magazine Business Insider. It's full of features and interviews that cover a range of business topics including real estate, education and — of course — the oil industry. Business Insider is located inside today's edition.



Midland's top-ranked economy casts shadow on gloomy past

By Cale Ottens
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Not long ago, abandoned storefronts, empty industrial buildings, unoccupied office space and undeveloped land defined Midland's economic environment both downtown and throughout the city.

Convincing businesses to open shop in the Permian Basin a decade or two ago was a daunting task for real estate brokers as more companies and residents began to flock to more robust regions outside of West Texas.

But today, a group of Midland's most predominant business "movers and shakers" face a brand new problem: finding space to fit the influx of businesses moving to town.

Wendell "Scooter" Brown, a partner in Energy Related Properties — the largest property owner downtown — said each of his firm's four downtown buildings are completely full. Rental rates, as a result, have doubled since 2010, he said.

"We were so cheap for so long, a lot of tenants got spoiled," Brown said.

And it's not just ERP's properties that are full. Almost every square-foot of usable office space is now being utilized in Midland. Between 98 and 100 percent of "Class A" office space and about 97 percent of "Class B" office space is occupied across Midland, he said.

This is a significant shift for Midland

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Reporter-Telegram products rebranded as MRT Media Group

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Today is the first day of a new era at the Midland Reporter-Telegram.

Our products, including the newspaper, are part of a new company called MRT Media Group.

Part of today's kickoff is the introduction of MRT Magazine, which allows the Reporter-Telegram to evolve as a publishing company. In today's edition is the first MRT Magazine product — the 116-page Business Insider — which offers a comprehensive look at Midland's business community.

"During the past decade, we've launched many new products and marketing solutions to the Midland market," said Mike Distelhorst, publisher of the Reporter-Telegram and West Texas Group Newspapers. "We feel that the name MRT Media Group better describes our position of being more than simply a newspaper company. We are a full-service digital services and printing company that also prints a daily newspaper along with and many other products.

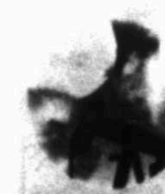
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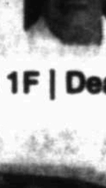
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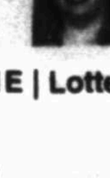
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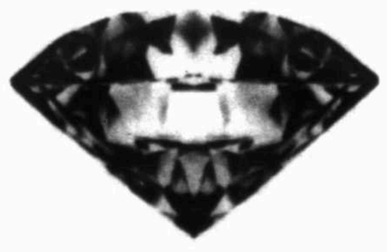
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OLYMPIC TALES

Olympic medalist swimmer and author Amanda Beard speaks during the Library Foundation's fundraiser banquet Saturday at the Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. The event also featured an aucution with items that included a signed by book by former President George W. Bush, an original portrait by Sara Drescher Braswell, an Andy Shaffer handcrafted ship and a Florida golf trip.

Rhode Island speaker to step down after FBI raids

Associated Press

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Rhode Island House Speaker Gordon Fox is resigning from his leadership post and will not run for re-election, he said Saturday, a day after federal and state authorities raided his Statehouse office and home as part of a criminal investigation that they would not detail.

"Because of the respect I have for all members of the House of Representatives, I am resigning as Speaker," Fox said in a written statement emailed to reporters. "The process of governing must continue and the transition of leadership must be conducted in an orderly manner."

The 52-year-old Providence Democrat, who became the nation's first openly gay House speaker in 2010, said he planned to serve out the remainder of his term through the end of the year, but that "my personal focus going forward will be on my family and dealing with the investigation." It is unclear when Fox will officially resign, but the next scheduled meeting of the House is Tuesday.

Fox has represented Rhode Island's capital in the General Assembly for more than 20 years and is one of the state's most powerful politicians.

The Friday raids were carried out by the U.S. attorney's office, FBI, IRS and state police. Boxes of evidence were carried off after agents spent hours at both his home and office Friday. Officials will not say whom or what they are investigating.

While questions remain about the nature of the investigation and Fox's role in it, his enduring legislative legacy is most likely to be legalizing gay marriage. In 2011, he abandoned a legalization push because of opposition in the Senate.

Instead, he pushed civil unions and was roundly criticized by some gay marriage supporters, who felt bitter and let down.

But just two years later, Fox was instrumental in pushing gay marriage legislation through as the political climate shifted nationally. He became emotional at the bill-signing ceremony on the Statehouse steps last year as he addressed the crowd and talked about his longtime partner, Marcus LaFond, whom he called "the love of my life."

"This tells me our relationship does matter," Fox said. "It means that we mean something."

The two were married last year in Fox's Statehouse office. Fox came out in 2004, in an unplanned announcement, while addressing a gay marriage rally at the Statehouse.

Rep. Frank Ferri, D-Warwick, a leading advocate for same-sex marriage, clashed at times with Fox over the issue. He recalled Fox's years as majority leader and said he was respected for his ability to cut to the heart of an issue during floor debates.

Appeals court halts gay marriages

Associated Press

MASON, Mich. — Same-sex couples rushed to Michigan county clerk's offices Saturday to get hitched a day after a judge overturned the state's constitutional ban on gay marriage, and several hundred managed to do so before an appeals court reinstituted the ban, at least temporarily.

The order by a federal appeals court in Cincinnati came after Glenna DeJong, 53, and Marsha Caspar, 51, of Lansing, were the first to arrive at the Ingham County Courthouse in the central Michigan city of Mason. DeJong and Caspar, who have been together for 27 years, received their license and were married by Ingham County Clerk Barb Byrum.

"I figured in my lifetime it would happen," Caspar said. "But now, when it happens now, it's just overwhelming. I still can't believe it. I don't think it's hit me yet."

Similar nuptials followed one after another, at times en masse, in at least four of Michigan's 83 counties. Those four — Oakland, Muskegon, Ingham and Washtenaw counties — issued more than 300 marriage licenses to same-sex couples Saturday.

DeJong said the threat of a stay was all the encouragement they needed.

"Come Monday, we might not be able to do it, so we knew we had a short window of time," she said.

She was right. Later Saturday, the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals froze until at least Wednesday a decision by a lower court judge to overturn Michigan's ban. The appeals court said the timeout will "allow a more reasoned consideration" of the state's request to stop same-sex marriages.

The court's order was posted just a few hours after it told the winning side to respond to Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette's request for a stay by noon Tuesday.

In his appeal, Schuette noted the U.S. Supreme Court in January suspended a similar decision that struck down Utah's gay-marriage ban.

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NEW MEXICO

Workers prepare return to nuke dump

CARLSBAD — Employees at the federal government's troubled nuclear waste dump in southeastern New Mexico are preparing to enter the facility's underground mine for the first time since a radiation leak contaminated workers last month.

The U.S. Department of Energy announced Saturday that 35 workers have undergone training simulations at a Potash mine before re-entry next week into the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant.

Employees went through a two-hour underground session using protective gear and air-breathing units, officials said.

Workers spent this week training for various scenarios that could occur in the mine.

According to the Department of Energy, the plan is for workers to set up an operating camp near a salt-handling shaft and then check for a secondary exit in the shaft that controls air flow. After that, they will focus on finding the source of the radiation release.

The repository near Carlsbad stopped taking all waste shipments after an underground truck fire on Feb. 5. Nine days later, a radiation release shuttered the plant. A series of shortcomings in maintenance, safety training, emergency response and oversight were cited by a team that investigated the truck fire.

The New Mexico Environment Department withdrew a preliminary permit this week for the dump's request to expand its facility, citing the fire and the leak.

It is unclear, however, if the two incidents are related.

The Waste Isolation Pilot Plant is the nation's only permanent underground repository for low-level radioactive waste, including things like plutonium-contaminated gloves, tools and protective clothing, from nuclear weapons facilities.

With the nuclear waste dump shuttered, operators for the plan made an agreement with Waste Control Specialists to ship radioactive waste from Los Alamos National Laboratory to rural west Texas.

NEW MEXICO

Teen arraigned in 12-year-old's death

LOS LUNAS — A 15-year-old New Mexico teenager accused of stabbing his 12-year-old playmate to death pleaded not guilty Friday to a murder charge.

Defense attorney Cindy Mercer entered the plea in a Los Lunas courtroom as the handcuffed teen remained silent with his head bowed, the Albuquerque Journal reported.

Mercer said her client's low-functioning mental capabilities made her question whether he understands the proceedings or his rights, an issue she has raised at his grand jury indictment earlier this month.

State District Court Judge Violet Otero acknowledged Mercer's concern before setting a $500,000 cash-only bond.

Valencia County Assistant District Attorney Darlene Weed said she was requesting a large bond because of severity of the injuries. Weed said Alex Madrid, of Albuquerque, was stabbed repeatedly in the head by an object similar to a screwdriver.

Madrid also was hit hard enough in the torso to suffer a punctured lung and appeared to have been struck with a tire iron, she said.

According to prosecutors, the teen stabbed Madrid last month before placing his body under a mattress in a rural field at Meadow Lake.

Roxanne Madrid, the victim's mother, reported him missing when she went to pick him up from Meadow Lake and he didn't show up. The suspect ended up leading Valencia County Sheriff's deputies to his body Feb. 18.

The teen told investigators he hit Madrid in self-defense because Madrid tried to stab him with a screwdriver following an argument over the teen's infant daughter, according to an affidavit.

The 15-year-old's baby girl is 4 months old, deputies said.

Prosecutors plan to try the teen as an adult unless he is deemed incompetent to stand trial.

Under New Mexico law, the state can charge minors as adults only if they are at least 14. The Associated Press typically doesn't identify juveniles charged in crimes.

SAN DIEGO

Plane carrying 250 pounds of marijuana crashes

Authorities say an ultralight aircraft carrying about 250 pounds of marijuana has crashed in the mountains east of San Diego, but there's no sign of the pilot.

The downed plane was discovered Friday morning by U.S. Customs and Border Protection during a routine air patrol.

A team of federal agents picking through the wreckage in the remote Laguna Mountains found a helmet, gloves and other gear. There was also a pair of footprints leading away from the crash site.

Because there was no sign of blood, authorities believe the pilot walked away unscathed.

The marijuana was removed from the craft.

Mike Carney, of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, said agents are pursuing all leads related to the drug-smuggling incident.

FLORIDA

Officer shot, killed in Orlando suburb

WINDERMERE — A police officer was shot and killed early Saturday after stopping two people and calling for help in an Orlando suburb, authorities said.

Windermere Police Department Officer Robert German called for backup after stopping a young man and woman on foot shortly before 4 a.m., investigators said.

German, 31, reported his location and was found lying on the ground when a deputy arrived at the scene, Orange County Sheriff's Office spokeswoman Jane Watrel said.

"He just said he was doing a subject stop, and then all the tragic events unfolded," Watrel said.

The deputy put German in his squad car and rushed him to the fire department. German was then taken to Orlando Regional Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead.

As officers responded to the scene, they heard shots fired and found two individuals deceased nearby matching the description of the man and woman German had stopped, Watrel said. They are believed to have committed suicide.

Their identities have not been released.

Windermere is located 15 miles west of Orlando. It has a population of about 3,000 people and one of the lowest crime rates in Florida, Mayor Gary Bruhn said. He said it was the first line-of-duty death in the town's history.

"Violent crime is just not something that happens in the town of Windermere," Bruhn said. "So it's really, really difficult."

German had been with the department for five years and just recently returned from desk duty after falling and injuring his shoulder, Bruhn said.

The investigation is ongoing.

CALIFORNIA

Plotter in killing that led to TV show dies

CORCORAN — A man who masterminded the 1985 murder of his wife in a plot that inspired two books and a TV miniseries has died in a central California prison hospital.

David Brown died of natural causes in a prison hospital Thursday. He was 61, said Anthony Bear, a prison spokesman.

Brown was in a protective housing unit because of his notoriety for the killing of his fifth wife, Linda Brown, as she slept.

He was accused of persuading two teenagers —one his daughter, the other his sister-in-law and secret lover — to kill his wife. The computer businessman went on to collect $835,000 from the victim's insurance, including several policies started just months before her death.

Prosecutors said Brown coerced his daughter, Cinnamon, to take the blame. Cinnamon was 14 when she confessed to shooting Linda Brown. She spent seven years in a California Youth Authority detention facility before being paroled.

In 1988, Cinnamon cooperated with investigators after she became fed up with her father's luxurious lifestyle while she was imprisoned.

Brown paid $350,000 in cash for a house within five months of the killing. The night of the murder, Linda Brown was sleeping in a rented home in Orange County. She was shot twice at close range.

Brown told police he had left home earlier because of bickering between his daughter and his wife.

Brown was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole in 1990.

The plot inspired the Lifetime miniseries, "Love, Lies and Murder."

NEW YORK

Windshield crack forces emergency landing

Authorities say a plane with two people aboard has made an emergency landing at New York's LaGuardia Airport after the pilot noticed a crack in the windshield.

The aircraft operated by Delta Connection carrier GoJet was flying from St. Louis to LaGuardia on Saturday morning.

Port Authority of New York and New Jersey spokesman Ron Marsico says the pilot and co-pilot were ferrying the plane to New York for a later flight.

Delta said the pilot noticed a thin windshield crack while en route and declared an emergency landing as a precaution.

The aircraft landed safely and remained fully pressurized.

PENNSYLVANIA

Cops: Driver buses kids back to school, blames gin

BENTON — Police say a Pennsylvania bus driver who took children back to school instead of driving them home after classes ended has acknowledged eating gin-soaked raisins.

Police in Columbia County said they've filed charges including DUI and reckless driving against Benton Area School District driver Jennifer Watson.

Students told police that Watson was yelling, cursing and swerving Wednesday afternoon. One student said Watson appeared to be driving her morning bus route even though it was 3:40 p.m.

Police told WNEP-TV they were waiting for Watson along with her boss when she brought the children back to school.

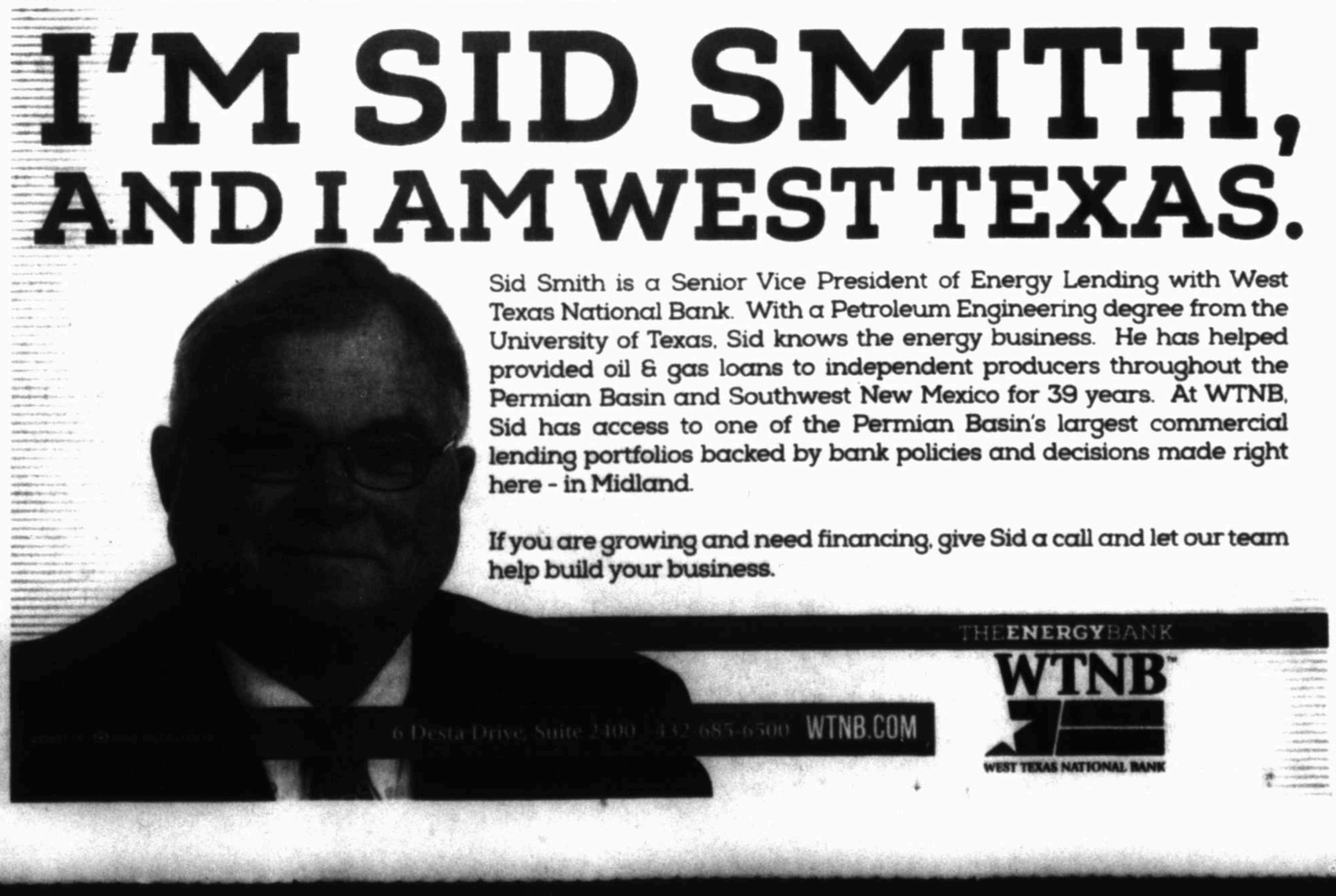
Police said Watson denied drinking but acknowledged eating raisins soaked in alcohol that she uses to deal with headaches.

Online court records don't list an attorney for her. Her phone number is unlisted.











TODAY IN MIDLAND

Things to do

Today

■ Junior League of Midland's Shotguns & Stilettos Spring Fling Market at the Horseshoe. midlandhorseshoe.com.

■ The Peddler Show at Midland Center. peddlershow.com.

Monday

■ Concho/Sibley Brown Bag Series featuring Diane Post discussing "The Adaptation of Wildlife to Human-Dominated Habitat" at the Sibley Nature Center. sibleynaturecenter.org.

Saturday

■ Sibley Spring Plant Sale, 9 a.m., Sibley Nature Center. sibleynaturecenter.org.

■ Furr-Ever Paws & Claws Clay Shoot for Midland Humane Coalition at Jake's Clays. jakesclays.com.

■ United Blood Services Bloodgusher race at Fasken Office Complex. bloodgusher-races.tripod.com.

■ The Junior League of Midland's Buckshot Bash with Stoney LaRue at CAF. jlmidland.org.

■ Vintage Harmony MOSC fundraiser featuring art of Baron Batch at The Petroleum Museum. mosc.org.

■ Trisha Yearwood at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

Meetings this week

County commissioners
9 a.m. Monday
Midland County Courthouse auxiliary courtroom
500 N. Loraine St.

Midland Housing Authority Commission
11:45 a.m. Monday
Conference Room, Midland Housing Authority
700 W. Scharbauer Drive

City Council
10 a.m. Tuesday
Council Chambers City Hall
300 N. Loraine St.

Midland Coalition
11:30 a.m. Wednesday
Palmer Drug Abuse Program
1208 W. Wall St.
Note: Anyone concerned about underage drinking and substance abuse is encouraged to attend.

Midland-Odessa Urban Transit District Board
Noon Wednesday
Midland-Odessa Transportation Organization (MOTOR) boardroom
Wright Office Complex, Suite 1
9601 Wright Drive

Midland Development Corp.
8:30 a.m. Friday
City Hall basement,
300 N. Loraine

Support group meeting

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

Girl Scouts honor Wes Perry

The Buffalo Trail Council, Boy Scouts of America will honor former Midland Mayor Wes Perry at the Good Scout Banquet, which will be held at 7 p.m. on April 28 in the Carrasco Room in Midland College.

The award is given to a leading resident within the community for achievements and leadership. According to the Scouts, the recipient has "left an enduring impact on the community. This individual is recognized for modeling the principles and values expressed in the Scout Oath and Law."

For those with questions about the event, please call Matt Vercher at 638-4014.

Spring is here

In 2014, the vernal equinox (which is also called the spring equinox in the Northern Hemisphere) fell on March 20 at 11:57 a.m. CDT. As this season begins, the length of daylight increases. Summer starts on June 21.

www.almanac.com

Mark your calendar

■ Cesar Millan Live, March 30 at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center wagnernoel.com.

■ Midland RockHounds home opener, April 3, Security Bank Ball Park.

■ Celebration of the Arts, April 4-5.

■ Gladys Knight, April 11 at Midland College. midlandcollegefoundation.org/knight.

■ Old Sorehead Trade Days, April 12-13 in Stanton. stantontex.com.

■ "Les Miserables" with MCT and MOSC, April 25-26 at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

■ Sockers FC home opener, May 17, Grande Communications Stadium.

■ Summer Mummers begins, June 6, Yucca Theater.

■ Mex-Tex Family Fiesta, June 6-7, downtown Midland.

Lottery

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Lotto Texas: 25-27-29-32-46-51
Powerball: 13-28-31-55-58, Powerball: 15, Power Play: 2
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All or Nothing night: 01-02-03-04-05-06-12-14-18-20-21-24



AP file photo

Amy Lawson, a fifth-grade teacher at Silver Lake Elementary School in Middletown, Del., teaches an English language arts lesson in 2013. The school has begun implementing the national Common Core State Standards for academics. The Common Core standards will quickly become more tangible for 4 million U.S. school kids, who will help field test the two main assessments created based on the standards.

COMMON CORE TESTED

Millions of kids to try new assessments

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — What's on the new Common Core-based exams? More than 4 million kids in U.S. schools soon will have a clue.

Field testing begins this coming week in 36 states and the District of Columbia on assessments developed by two different groups of states. Participating students will be asked to sit for hours in front of a computer or use a No. 2 pencil to answer questions.

But there's no need for kids to worry. The scores won't count — this time. The actual exam-testing won't be used for another year.

The Common Core standards spell out what math and English skills students should have at each grade and are designed to develop more critical thinking skills than traditional school work. They were first pushed by governors concerned about the large number of high school graduates needing remedial college help and lacking basic skills. Most states have adopted them.

The field tests, to be conducted until June, are a big step forward in the push to more fully integrate the new academic standards into the school environment. They will give education officials a chance to judge things such as the quality of each test question and the technical capabilities of schools to administer the tests, which are computer-based but also will be available on paper.

But they also come as the standards face political push-back in many states.

Indiana lawmakers, for example, last year paused implementation of the standards and a measure ending the state's participation is at the governor's desk. House lawmakers in Tennessee passed legislation that would delay implementation — and testing — under Common Core for two years, but that proposal hasn't been taken up in the Senate.

Common Core supporters hope the field tests provide an opportunity to highlight the best of Common Core.

"There's been a lot of talk and a lot of planning and it's actually happening, which I think generates some excitement and some reality, if you will, for the fact that this is moving ahead," said Jeffrey Nellhaus, director of research, policy and design with the consortium Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers, or PARCC.

Joe Willhoft, the executive director of the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium, told reporters there will be snags, and that's in part due to the nature of what a field test is — a test run and an opportunity to see what works and doesn't. Already, out of concern there would be technical problems, Smarter Balanced delayed by a week to this week the start of its field tests.

"We have a saying in Smarter Balanced that if nothing goes wrong in the field test, then actually we have failed," Willhoft said.

While opposition to the standards has been multidimensional, some critics take issue with the tests and how the results will be used because the tests are designed to replace the annual assessments given in states.

Also complicating matters are the new teacher evaluation systems rolling out in many states that rely, in part, on student performance on annual exams. Questions have been raised about when or if the Common Core-based assessments should count on these evaluations.

Supporters are warning that scores on the new assessments will drop compared with the old tests, but they say they will be a more accurate measurement of student knowledge.

Smarter Balanced and PARCC were created to help states pool resources to develop the tests. But some states have opted to use different ones. Florida, for example, recently signed a contract with the nonprofit American Institutes for Research to develop an assessment for its standards, which are largely based on the Common Core standards.

For the states participating in the field tests, how they will be conducted varies.

PARCC said more than 1 million students will participate in its field tests, and about 10 percent of the students in 14 states and the District of Columbia will take them. It says its field tests will take no more than three hours for most students.

Common Core computations

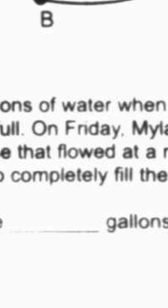
Sample math questions for varying grades designed to measure students against new academic standards known as Common Core:

3RD GRADE

A. Patricia needs to read for 120 minutes each week.
She read for 26 minutes on Monday.
She read for 39 minutes on Tuesday.
She read for 38 minutes on Thursday.
How many more minutes does Patricia need to read this week?

8TH GRADE

B. A right circular cone is shown in the figure. Point A is the vertex of the cone and point B lies on the circumference of the base of the cone. The cone has a height of 24 units and a diameter of 20 units.



What is the distance from point A to point B?

HIGH SCHOOL

C. Myla's swimming pool contains 16,000 gallons of water when it is full. On Thursday, her pool was only partially full. On Friday, Myla decided to fill her pool completely using a hose that flowed at a rate of 10 gallons per minute. It took her 5 hours to completely fill the pool.

Before Myla started filling the pool, there were _____ gallons of water in the pool.

D. It is given that: $24 + 10x - x^2 = p - (x-5)^2$
Find the value of p.

Answers:
A: 17. B: 26. C: 13,000; D: 49

PAST

From 1A

business from when there was hardly a glimpse of this sort of volatile market in the late 1980s and through the 1990s when the price of oil plummeted and bruised the local economy.

The unemployment rate in June 1992, for instance, reached 8.4 percent and stood at 7.1 percent for the year — a drastically different tale than today's market. The Bureau of Labor Statistics published its most recent figures on Friday, placing Midland at the top of the nation's metropolitan statistics areas with the lowest jobless rate — 2.9 percent in January.

Additionally, the city lost $58 million in real property tax values in downtown alone between 1991 and 1998, according to a report by Houston-based CDS Market Research. The report was finished in 2000 and done in conjunction with Marsh Darcy Partners Inc., a Houston firm that specializes in economic development and city planning.

Those values have since gone back up and rank even higher than before. Yet the historical study was brought up again this month during a Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone training session, said Sue Darcy, Marsh Darcy Partners president, who visited Midland for the session.

During that general era and even a bit before, most of the country's largest oil companies had a significant presence in Midland. The majority of those companies either laid off large portions of their staffs or simply left town entirely.

"As the Permian Basin began to be winding down in its gush of oil flow, they left," Darcy said. "As leases came due, they didn't renew them and just moved out."

Janice Havens owns an Odessa-based commercial real estate firm and brokers many property deals in Midland. During a recent interview, she recalled the vast number of vacant spaces designed for both retail and industrial-sized tenants.

But those days are long gone, she said.

One of the biggest challenges for those in the commercial real estate industry was finding businesses to fill vacant office space, retail shops and restaurants. The challenge today has flipped entirely. Brokers now can't seem to find enough space for businesses to fill.

"Every sector in the whole Permian Basin, we're having to build more product," Havens said.

Construction sites are now becoming an increasingly popular sight around town. Pioneer Natural Resources, for example, is building its new facility at ClayDesta Plaza. The Wall Street Lofts become steps closer to completion downtown each day. The Commons at North Park is also planning to build the second phase of its shopping center. Numerous other projects are also spread across the city.

While a large portion of new businesses that are moving into Midland are driving up the demand for office and retail space, existing companies are also expanding and requiring additional space.

Brown said it's incredibly difficult to handle firms' internal growth. Companies are hiring more and more workers, and there just is not enough vacant office space to keep up, he said.

Mitch Malouf, senior vice president of ClayDesta Corp., said his company's development north of downtown is in the same boat.

Available office space within the ClayDesta Plaza is not only scarce, but undeveloped land in the area is also going fast, Malouf said. ClayDesta Corp. only owns 5 more acres of land that have not already been developed, he said.

Genora Young, the city's director of downtown development, said she is amazed by how much money is being invested into developments across the city as a whole. She reiterated the business leaders' major concern, noting that the city's overall lack of supply plays a huge role in the local economy.

"There's only so much land you can develop inside our city limits," she said.

Each business professional interviewed about the subject said they cannot predict when — if ever — supply will finally catch up to demand in the Permian Basin.

"If it keeps growing, you'll always be a little bit behind," Brown said. "It's hard to time real estate exactly."

TOWERS

From 1A

not yet been revealed.

Energy Related Properties declined to comment at this time, as it has previously announced that it was going to make an announcement "soon," presumably about the new redesign.

ERP and the city signed a term sheet in September 2013 that detailed an up-to-$60 million incentive package for the developers. The incentives outlined in the term sheet are tied to the underground parking garage, city spokeswoman Sara Higgins said.

The term sheet refers to Energy Tower as multi-use, though at the end it is stated that the term sheet is a preliminary expression of general intentions and is not intended to create any agreement or obligation by either party to negotiate agreements.

Higgins confirmed, saying the term sheet was a blueprint for the developer agreement, which is currently set to be brought before City Council in September.

If the redesign turns out to be true, then the term sheet may be revised, Morales said. And like the developer agreement, ERP would have to bring term sheet revisions before City Council.

Morales and Perry both said despite the redesign, the project still has the potential to revitalize downtown. Burns added in the interview that the project is critical to Midland's future.

"In the end, we are only as strong as our center and we must not give up on improving downtown," Burns said.

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Sheriff: 3 killed in Washington mudslide

Associated Press

SEATTLE — A massive landslide of dirt, trees and rocks in rural Washington killed three people Saturday, injured at least eight others and destroyed six houses, authorities said.

The slide — at least 135 feet wide and 180 feet deep — hit just before 11 a.m., Snohomish County authorities said.

The landslide completely blocked State Route 530 near the town of Oso, about 55 miles north of Seattle. Also blocked was the North Fork of the Stillaguamish River, and there were concerns about possible downstream flooding affecting more homes.

Residents upstream and downstream from the slide were asked to prepare to leave at a moment's notice, Snohomish County spokeswoman Bronlea Mishler said.

TODAY: Partly sunny	MONDAY: Mostly sunny	TUESDAY: Mostly sunny	WEDNESDAY: Mostly sunny	THURSDAY: Mostly sunny	FRIDAY: Mostly sunny
High: 84 Low: 38	High: 69 Low: 31	High: 65 Low: 40	High: 68 Low: 52	High: 83 Low: 49	High: 74 Low: 50

Local forecast

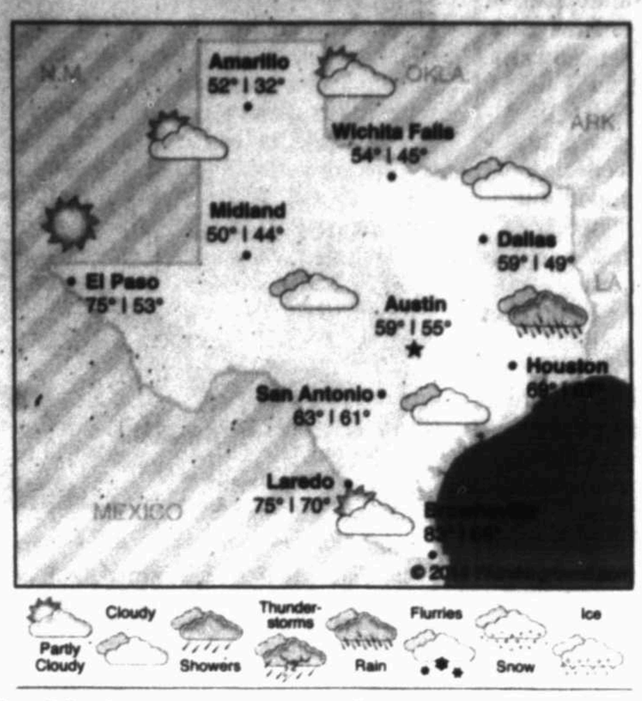
Expect partly sunny skies today with a high around 54 and northeast winds between 20 and 25 mph decreasing to between 10 and 15 mph in the afternoon. Winds could gust as high as 35 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for mostly cloudy conditions with a low around 38 and northeast winds between 5 and 10 mph becoming south after midnight.

Monday, look for mostly sunny skies with a high around 69 and south winds between 5 and 10 mph becoming east in the afternoon. Expect partly cloudy conditions at night, with a low around 41 and east winds around 10 mph.

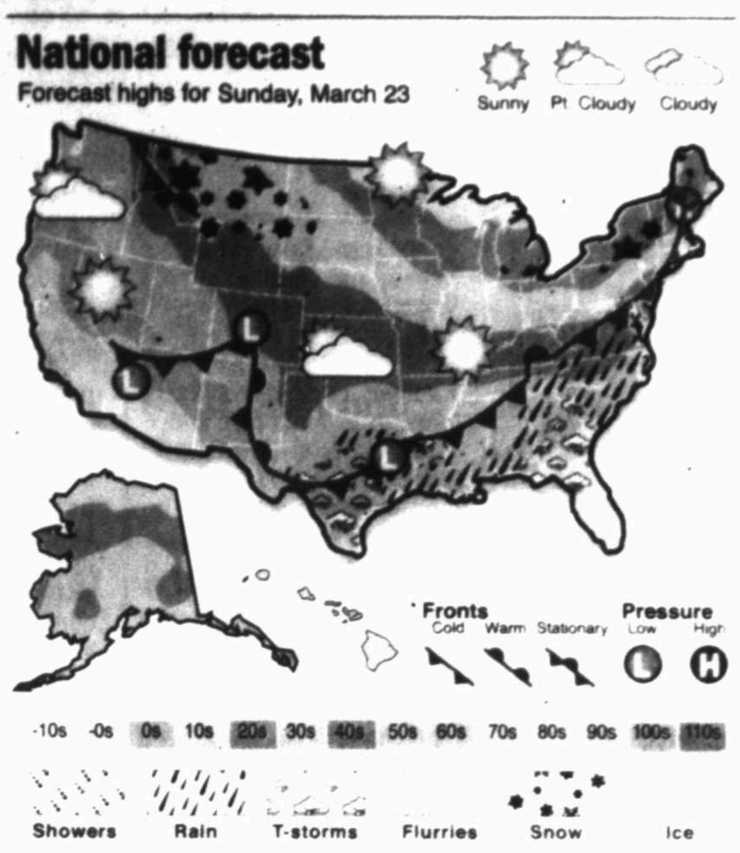
The high on Saturday reached 66, while the low dropped to 45. The record high for March 22 is 91 set in 1934. The record low is 22 set in 1989.

National forecast

Yet another blast of winter chill for the Northeast is on the way from the Great Lakes today as a cold front presses southward. Canadian high pressure in the wake of the front will promote temperatures more common in January than March. Clouds and flurries will add to the wintry feel across the interior Northeast.



Precipitation		Saturday's temperatures	
Friday	0.00 in.	High	66
Saturday	0.00 in.	Low	45
Month total	0.10 in.	Normal high	72
Year total	0.36 in.	Normal low	42
Normal total (year to date)	1.68 in.	Sunrise	7:49 a.m.
		Sunset	8:02 p.m.



NASA research could lead to way of predicting sinkholes

Orlando Sentinel

WASHINGTON — Radar images taken from planes or satellites could someday be used to predict where sinkholes might form — a potential boon for Florida, the nation's sinkhole capital.

The possibility of an early warning system stems from new NASA research into a monstrous sinkhole that opened in Louisiana in 2012, forcing the evacuation of hundreds of residents.

Two NASA researchers examined radar images of the sinkhole area near Bayou Corne, La. Cathleen Jones and Ron Blom discovered that the ground near Bayou Corne began shifting at least a month before the sinkhole formed — as much as 10 inches toward where the sinkhole started. Since its formation, the sinkhole has expanded to 25 acres and is still growing.

The NASA findings raise the possibility that engineers eventually could develop a way to predict the location of sinkholes. It would require the constant collection and monitoring of the Earth's surface with radar data collected from planes or satellites.

"It's not a magic bullet," Blom said. But it could be "one more tool in a tool kit."

More sinkhole news

Sinkhole threatens 5 residences in eastern Pa.

CATASAQUA, Pa. — Crews are investigating a sinkhole that is endangering the foundations of a building containing four apartments and a single family home in eastern Pennsylvania.

The problem was reported about 10:45 a.m. Saturday in North Catasauqua Township in Northampton County. That's a few miles north of Allentown.

No one was hurt, but the residents of both buildings were forced to leave when the apparent sinkhole damaged the foundations. The American Red Cross was helping three displaced residents find somewhere else to stay.

Officials are hoping the foundations may be repaired enough for the residents to return.

Associated Press

The radar images studied by the two NASA scientists were part of the agency's ongoing effort to monitor the Louisiana coast, which is rapidly sinking into the Gulf of Mexico. Although the Louisiana images were taken from a research jet, the scientists said a satellite with similar technology could do the same job.

And though such a system wouldn't be cheap — the price of building and launching a satellite usually is in the hundreds of millions of dollars — the gains could be significant. In Florida alone, sinkholes cause about that much property damage each year.

Although there are no recent state data on sinkhole damage, a 2010 report by the Florida Office of Insurance Regulation estimated that sinkholes each year cost the state $200 million to $400 million.

Thousands of claims related to sinkholes were made and closed in recent years. In 2009 alone, there were about 4,700 closed claims and 2,600 open claims, according to the report. The majority of claims tallied by state officials were from three counties — Hernando, Pasco and Hillsborough along Florida's west coast — though Orange and Polk were in the top 10 statewide from 2006 to 2010.

In one high-profile case last year, a sinkhole wrecked villas at Summer Bay Resort near Walt Disney World, forcing residents to evacuate.

There's a human cost, too. Even though sinkhole deaths are rare, a Hillsborough County man was killed last year when a sinkhole formed beneath his house.

The prevalence of sinkholes in Florida can be attributed to the state's geology.

Sinkholes are most commonly found in areas where the underlying rock can easily be dissolved by groundwater. Once eroded, the surface then can collapse into underground caves and other spaces. Florida, with its wet climate and porous limestone beneath the surface, is particularly susceptible to this type of natural disaster.

Aware of the dangers, Florida officials also are taking steps to detect sinkholes.

Last year, state geologists began a three-year, $1 million project to identify which areas in Florida are most conducive to sinkhole formation. They've begun by surveying three northern Florida counties — Columbia, Hamilton and Suwannee — with the goal of creating a statewide "rating of vulnerability for sinkhole formation," said Clint Kromhout, a geologist with the Florida Geological Survey.

The hope, he added, is to give emergency officials more information to help "mitigate against potential loss of property and life during sinkhole formation," he said.

Although property owners have limited options when faced with a sinkhole — other than to evacuate — state officials said knowing more about vulnerable areas could help homebuilders and local governments avoid sinkholes when planning developments.

"One of the most important things we can do, and one of the more effective things we can do, is educate the public about the risks," said Aaron Gallaher, a spokesman for the Florida Division of Emergency Management.

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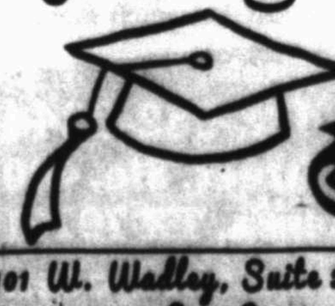
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Breakfast foods getting pricier



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A breakfast sandwich is shown at the Triple XXX restaurant June 26, 2013 in West Lafayette, Ind. Breakfast is now being served with a dose of sticker shock. The cost of morning staples such as bacon, coffee and orange juice is surging on a host of global supply problems, from drought in Brazil to disease on U.S. pig farms.

By Steve Rothwell
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Breakfast is now being served with a side of sticker shock.

The price of bacon is surging and the cost of other morning staples, such as coffee and orange juice, is set to rise because of global supply problems, from drought in Brazil to disease on U.S. pig farms.

And it's not just the first meal of the day that's being affected. The cost of meats, fish and eggs led the biggest increase in U.S. food prices in nearly 2 1/2 years last month, according to government data. An index that tracks those foods rose 1.2 percent in February and has climbed 4 percent over the last 12 months.

While overall inflation remains low, the increases in food prices are forcing shoppers to search out deals and cut back.

Denise Gauthier, 54, a screenwriter in North Hollywood, Calif., calls the rising prices "shocking and outrageous." To cope, she has become more frugal, hunting for discounts and buying less food overall.

"I will look for things that are on sale and adjust my menu for that," said Gauthier, who now stocks up on her favorite coffee when it goes on sale for $4.99.

Even though food companies use a range of cost-cutting methods to limit the effect of higher food costs, consumers will likely feel the "ripple effects" of rising commodity prices, according to the Grocery Manufacturers Association, a trade organization for more than 300 food, beverage and consumer product companies.

Here's a rundown of why breakfast food costs are rising, and why they could keep going up.

Bacon

Bringing home the bacon is costing more.

The price of lean pork in the futures market is at record levels and is up 52 percent since the start of the year, to $1.31 a pound. Traders are concerned about a deadly virus in the U.S. hog population.

That could further boost bacon prices, which were already rising after farmers cut pig production because of higher feed costs. Those cost climbed after a drought in 2012.

The average price of a pound of sliced bacon in U.S. cities was $5.46 in February, up from $4.83 a year earlier and $3.62 five years ago, government data shows.

The retail price of pork is projected to climb by 2.5 percent to 3 percent this year, according to government forecasts.

"You should expect to see very high prices for your ground beef, your other meat cuts, all the pork cuts will be higher this year," Donnie Smith, CEO of Tyson Foods, said in an interview with CNBC on March 12.

U.S. pig herds have been hit by a virus called porcine epidemic diarrhea, or PED, which causes vomiting and diarrhea in the animals. After the first case in the U.S. was confirmed in May, the virus spread through hog herds during the cold winter. While the disease doesn't affect people and is not a food safety concern, it can lead to mortality rates of between 80 and 100 percent in newborn piglets. That's raising concerns of thinner herds as the U.S. heads toward the summer grilling season, when demand typically picks up.

Traders don't know exactly how badly the virus will impact pork production because it's the first time that PED has been detected in U.S. herds, said Dennis Smith, a commodity broker at Chicago-based Archer Financial Services.

"It's become a hysterical market," Smith said.

Gus Kasimis, 60, manager of the Green Kitchen Restaurant, a New York diner, said that increases in food prices had already become more frequent and that he had been forced to pass on the higher costs to customers.

But he's not worried that people will stop coming. Instead, they will cut down in other areas, perhaps spending less at more expensive restaurants, if they feel the squeeze.

"They still need to get a decent breakfast," he said.

Coffee

You need your morning brew, and you'll likely pay more for it, at least at the supermarket.

Coffee futures have surged 57 percent this year and this month rose above $2 a pound for the first time in two years. Coffee growing regions of southern Brazil, the world's largest coffee producer, have been hit by drought. Analysts forecast that Brazil's crop could shrink by about 20 percent this year.

Shoppers should be prepared to pay more at grocery stores, if the current trend continues for more than a month, said Dan Cox, the president of Coffee Analysts, a company that tests coffee quality for retailers.

"Whether it's by the can or the bag, consumers should probably expect to pay 50 cents per pound more, fairly soon," Cox said. The average price of coffee for U.S. cities was $5 a pound in February, although that was little changed from a month earlier, according to government data.

Caroline Krajewski, a spokeswoman for Kraft, which owns the Maxwell House coffee brand, declined to comment on the company's pricing plans.

The price impact will be less noticeable at coffee stores. That's because the cost of beans makes up only a fraction of the final price, compared to other costs such as rent and staff wages, said Alon Kazdan, 40, the owner of Cafe Noi, a small chain of coffee shops in New York. Espressos at the cafe cost $2.40; Americanos are $3; lattes go for $3.60.

He said prices should also remain in check because of competition between the companies that roast the beans into the coffee. As for rising commodity prices, he puts that down to speculation.

"People like to make panic for nothing, in order to make money," he said.

Of course, people who need to get their caffeine fix won't be put off. Plus, coffee prices were at their lowest level in about seven years before they started climbing.

Starbucks customers also shouldn't worry. They won't be paying higher prices even if the cost of the beans keeps going up, said CEO Howard Schultz. The company has locked in its coffee bean prices for the next year using futures contracts.

Orange juice

Say squeeze when you pass the OJ.

Orange juice futures are up 12 percent this year, and climbed as high as $1.57 a pound March 6, their highest price in two years.

To be sure, moves in retail food prices won't match the wild jumps in commodities markets, said David Garfield, a consultant at AlixPartners who advises food-makers. The reason: food companies worry about losing market share and will absorb some of the higher costs rather than risk losing customers.

"People would be up in arms, if every time they went to the grocery store the prices of their preferred items were jumping up and down," said Garfield.

The price of a 12-ounce can of frozen orange juice edged up in February to $2.43 from $2.41 in January, according to government data.

A series of problems are driving the increases. Florida's orange crop is forecast to be the worst in almost a quarter of a century. A citrus greening disease, which is transmitted by tiny insects that feed on the leaves of oranges, is damaging the harvest. Infected trees start to produce bitter green fruit. The problem was first detected in the U.S. in September 2005 and the Florida orange juice crop is down by almost a quarter since then.

No cure is known, and the only solution is to cut down the tree.

Add weather to the orange juice problem. A dry spell last year stunted the growth of orange trees in Florida and is hurting production this year, said Michael Smith, president of T&K Futures and Options, based in Port St. Lucie, Florida. In South America, drought is raising concerns about the size of the crop in Brazil.

"There's a confluence of events ... but the citrus greening has probably been the worst problem we've seen over the last few years," Smith said.

The orange crop in Florida, one of the world's biggest orange-growing regions, could fall this year by about 15 percent to 114 million boxes, according to government forecasts. That would be the smallest crop since 1990.

Beverly Bolin, 76, who is retired and lives in Van Nuys, Calif., said she is buying more of the generic store brand products and less tea and coffee. In addition, she only buys orange juice if it's on sale, as long as it's not from concentrate.

"I try to budget, but it's always over budget," she said. "I'm really feeling it."

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How Turkey still tweets despite Twitter ban

By Anick Jesdanun
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Not long after Turkey's prime minister imposed a ban on Twitter, Internet users in Turkey went on — what else? — Twitter to find ways to circumvent the blockade. Twitter Inc. and Turkish news media also shared some tips, as did Turkish residents through low-tech means such as graffiti and street posters.

The response to the ban showed why it's difficult for governments to control the Internet. China and other countries notorious for censoring content have routinely faced efforts by citizens determined to bypass their controls. And in Turkey, people were still tweeting Friday.

Here's a look at the ban and the ways Turkish Internet users are circumventing it:

Q. Why is Turkey banning Twitter?

A. The ban came as Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan threatened to "rip out the roots" of the social network. His remarks came after links proliferated on Twitter to recordings that appear to incriminate Erdogan and other officials in corruption. Uproar over the recordings has damaged the government's reputation ahead of local elections this month.

Many people who tried to visit Twitter on Friday got a blocking notice from Turkey's telecommunications authority that referred to four court orders.

Q. How is Twitter being blocked?

A. Internet access providers in the country are redirecting Twitter traffic to a website that contains the blocking notice. It appears that Turkish Internet providers are doing so by changing the numeric Internet Protocol address associated with Twitter.com.

Think of the domain name system as an Internet phone book. When you type in Twitter.com, your computer looks up the numeric IP address for Twitter's website and takes you there. It's similar to the way you can make calls on your smartphone by looking up your friends' names rather than memorizing all the phone numbers.

Turkish service providers can steer you away from Twitter's website by putting an incorrect IP address for Twitter.com in their domain name servers.

Q. How are people still tweeting in Turkey?

A. Users can change the "phone book" their computer uses. The domain name system has multiple copies of these phone books, all of which are supposed to be identical. The Internet access provider usually picks the one used, but users can change settings on their machines to a different one. That way, Twitter.com would pull up the real IP address for Twitter's website.

People also can use masking services called proxies. A person's PC or mobile device connects to the proxy, which uses its own domain name servers to reach out to Twitter on the user's behalf. Turkish access providers know only that the user is reaching the proxy, not Twitter. Instead of a proxy, people can also use virtual private networks, the tools common for accessing secured corporate networks from home. Just like proxies, VPNs reach out to websites on users' behalf. Plenty of free VPNs exist.

Twitter can also be accessed by text messaging. In fact, the reason tweets are limited to 140 characters is to fit the length constraints of texts. Twitter Inc. posted on its policy account instructions on how to send tweets through texts. The guidelines are in both English and Turkish. It's possible to receive texts on followed accounts as well, though users must enable that one account at a time. Keep in mind that this is a Twitter feature that won't work with other sites that get blocked.

Users also might be able to turn to Twitter aggregation services such as HootSuite. It's similar to a proxy in that the aggregation service is what's making contact with Twitter. The user's computer looks up the IP address for that service, not Twitter. Many of these services let people both post and read tweets.

Q. What's the big deal about the ban if it can be circumvented?

A. These circumvention techniques aren't easy for everyone to carry out. Think of the last time you had to help a tech-challenged friend or relative do something relatively simple, such as attaching a photo to an email.

The government also might step up its blocking efforts, as China does every time a new hole pops up. If people are using HootSuite, the IP address for that website can be changed, as well. Proxies and VPNs can be blocked, too. If changing the domain name servers proves ineffective, there are other ways to carry out a ban — including content filtering based on keywords.

Andrew Przybylski, a researcher at Oxford Internet Institute in Britain, said Turkey's techniques so far appear relatively primitive.

"This is Round One of something that could easily escalate," Przybylski said. The domain name system is "the easiest to block, and then the easiest to get around the block. It's more the mindset here."

Online:

Using Google's domain name server: https://developers.google.com/speed/public-dns

Twitter's posts on sending tweets by texts: https://twitter.com/policy

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Ukraine crisis prompts security rethink in Europe

By Karl Ritter
Associated Press

STOCKHOLM — After the Cold War, Sweden refocused its national security strategy to give more weight to deployments in faraway conflict zones and even non-military challenges such as climate change. Critics who dwelled on a Russian threat were dismissed as dinosaurs.

They are now having an "I-told-you-so" moment.

"An obvious misjudgment," said former Swedish defense minister Mikael Odenberg, who resigned in 2007 to protest military spending cuts.

Russia's readiness to use military force in Ukraine has been a wake-up call for many European countries, which since the Iron Curtain crumbled have slashed defense spending. Some shifted their priorities toward international missions in Afghanistan and elsewhere rather than deterring potential aggression from the East. Now, a serious recalibration is underway, particularly in countries with memories of Soviet tanks rumbling across their borders.

"If we don't do something quickly about it, some of our capabilities will be degraded to such an extent that they cease to exist," Czech armed forces chief Petr Pavel warned last week at a conference marking the 15th anniversary of his country's entry into NATO.

Only a handful of NATO's European members meet the alliance's goal of spending 2 percent of their gross domestic product on defense. Meanwhile, Moscow spends more than 4 percent of GDP on its military.

Strained by the financial crisis, European defense budgets dropped even as Russia resumed muscle-flexing exercises and patrols near European borders, including the resumption of long-range strategic bomber flights in 2007. Although Russia's brief war with Georgia in 2008 was a warning, Russia's buildup was widely seen as just modernizing military forces that had fallen into disrepair.

"I think a lot of people did underestimate the willingness of Russia to actually use them," said Samuel Perlo-Freeman, a global military spending analyst at the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute.

He said it's very likely that Moscow's assertiveness in the Ukraine crisis will prompt an increase in military budgets in countries near or bordering Russia in central Europe and around the Baltic Sea.

There are signs of that already. The Czech defense minister recently called for raising military spending to 1.5 percent of GDP, although there's no concrete budget proposal yet. Such outlays are down to 1.1 percent after a series of cuts that military officials said have eroded the country's military readiness.

Lithuania spends less than 1 percent of its output on the military but plans to ramp that up now, although "it is unrealistic that Lithuania will reach (NATO'S) 2 percent objective in the short run," Finance Minister Rimantas Sadzius said this month.

Officials in Lithuania and Baltic neighbors Estonia and Latvia have called on NATO to move more resources there including ground troops and missile defenses. The U.S.-led alliance has boosted its air patrols over the Baltic countries and France offered Friday to add four more fighter jets.

The three former Soviet republics have a history of quarrels with Moscow over the situation of Russian-speaking minorities in their countries. Russian President Vladimir Putin cited protecting Russians as the reason for seizing Crimea from Ukraine, and for fighting Georgia in 2008.

However, the Ukraine crisis has not produced any talk in Obama's administration of altering the downward direction of U.S. defense budgets — still by far the biggest in the world — or of putting additional U.S. military resources in Europe. In February, U.S. Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel said while at NATO headquarters that the U.S. is shrinking the size of its military without compromising its capabilities. He said European allies need to take the same approach.

Overall, Europe's defense spending is likely to remain constrained by broader fiscal pressures, said Giri Rajendran, of the International Institute for Strategic Studies in London.

Western Europe's two largest military spenders, Britain and France, are unlikely to depart from existing budget trajectories, while in Southern Europe, "fiscal austerity has already seen some of the largest percentage reductions in defense outlays in Europe," Rajendran wrote in an email.

Italian Premier Matteo Renzi wants to cut $4.1 billion from the defense budget, by rolling back on commitments to buy jets, selling disused barracks and restructuring the military, among other things.

In contrast, countries in central and northern Europe "are likely to consider additional budgetary allocations in light of now-heightened threat perceptions," Rajendran added.

In Sweden — which is not a NATO member and therefore has no guarantees that anyone will come to its aid in a conflict — the Ukraine crisis has triggered nervous discussions about the state of the country's armed forces.

At the height of the Cold War, neutral Sweden had some 400 fighter jets — four times more than today — and an ability to mobilize nearly 1 million troops. Now there are less than 20,000 personnel in active service.

After the Soviet collapse, Sweden's emphasis shifted toward nimbler, specialized units designed to join international coalitions in peacekeeping operations overseas. The defense budget was slashed by both left and right-leaning governments and military bases were closed across the country. The last nail in the coffin for a military doctrine based on territorial defense came in 2010, when Sweden abolished mandatory conscription.

Two years later Sweden's supreme commander made the startling assessment that the armed forces could defend the country's borders for no more than a week.

Perhaps even that was too optimistic.

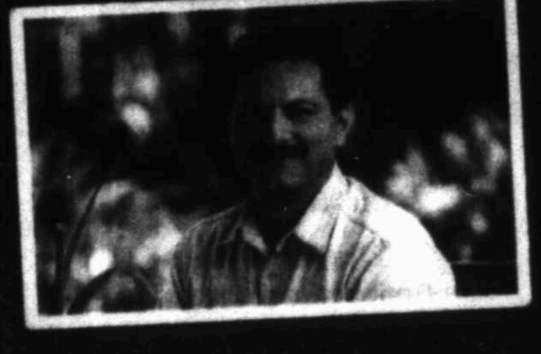
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Obama using powers of persuasion to advance agenda

By Nancy Benac
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Ronald Reagan used to say the nine most terrifying words in the English language were: "I'm from the government and I'm here to help."

Barack Obama is offering Americans his own twist on that message: He's from the government and he needs your help.

Frustrated by the inability of Congress and the White House to reach agreement on much of anything, the president is increasingly relying on his powers of persuasion to cajole people and organizations to help tackle some of the country's big problems — voluntarily.

Lots of presidents promote volunteerism, of course. This is something different.

The president this year has exercised what the White House calls his "convening powers" to bring together influential groups to focus on the challenges facing young black men, the trials of the long-term unemployed and barriers to a college education that face the disadvantaged, among other things. He's held a student film festival to spotlight the need to improve technology in public schools. And coming up in June: a White House meeting on working families designed to push businesses to adopt more family-friendly policies and pay female employees on par with men.

Obama will pretty much try anything to mobilize support for his agenda: He turned up on the comic website Funny or Die recently to plug his health care law on Zach Galifianakis' mock interview show "Between Two Ferns." Within days, the interview had snagged 18 million views, on par with Justin Bieber. The same day as the interview, Obama went sweater shopping at a Gap store in Manhattan, a high-profile reward for a company that has moved voluntarily to boost the minimum wage for its workers.

It's all part of Obama's "pen and phone" strategy for 2014, in which he's signing more executive orders to advance his policies (the pen) and chatting up governors, businesses, foundations and others to generate action in the absence of new legislation (the phone).

With the multiplier effects of social media, the cajoler-in-chief can accomplish more than one might think, in the White House view.

"There are things that a president can do with his phone or with his convening authority, that Congress can't do," said Obama senior adviser Dan Pfeiffer. He points to the hundreds of companies that have heeded a presidential call and committed to do more to hire the long-term unemployed.

"That's something only the president really can do," Pfeiffer said.

But there's also a lot the president really can't do.

Presidential scholars said the president's efforts to mobilize support are all well and good — but voluntary measures don't have the same oomph as laws, or the same staying power.

"You can at least start some conversations that wouldn't take place otherwise. You can persuade members of the private sector and the nonprofit sector to do pilots and demonstrations that may smooth the path for future actions on a broader scale," said William Galston, a Brookings Institution scholar who served in the Clinton White House. "But in a number of key areas, there is simply no substitute for legislation."



AP file photo

President Barack Obama, standing next to a robotic arm, speaks Feb. 25 about manufacturing innovation institutes in the East Room of the White House in Washington. Ronald Reagan used to say the nine most terrifying words in the English language were: "I'm from the government and I'm here to help." Obama is offering Americans his own twist on the message: He's from the government and he needs your help. Frustrated by the inability of Congress and the White House to reach agreement on much of anything, the president is increasingly relying on his powers of persuasion to cajole people and organizations to help tackle some of the country's big problems — voluntarily.

Calvin Mackenzie, a presidential scholar at Colby College in Maine, said Obama's work-the-phone strategy reflects a long-term deterioration of presidential powers.

"Presidents just are not very well equipped to the lead the country right now," he said.

Mackenzie said it's one thing for a bunch of college presidents to nod in agreement — as they did in January — when they met with Obama about making college more accessible to the disadvantaged, but concrete change is far from guaranteed when the summit microphones are turned off and "the financial realities push you in the opposite direction."

The White House insists its "year of action" is off to a strong start.

Obama's "pen" has been put to work on a number of executive orders and directives, including measures to boost the minimum wage for workers on new federal contracts, strengthen overtime pay protections for millions of workers and push tougher fuel efficiency standards.

Officials said his "phone" work has produced a string of private commitments to advance important causes: $1 billion in pledges to help students gain access to high-speed Internet and cutting-edge technology; $200 million from foundations to support programs that help young people stay out of jail and go to college and promises from major U.S. companies to hire the long-term unemployed, among others.

Even so, that's a far cry from the immigration overhaul Obama wants, a debt-reduction deal or the heavyweight health care and financial-regulation laws he achieved in his first term.

Pfeiffer acknowledges the limitations of presidential persuasion vs. legislation, but he said the "democratization of media and the power of social media gives a president greater ability to draw attention to issues and build momentum."

The Center for American Progress, a Washington think tank with close ties to the White House, plans to co-host the working families summit with the White House in June. Center President Neera Tanden points to the workplace as one area where "you can have substantial policy change without legislation."

She cites President Bill Clinton's success in putting greater emphasis on mental health care and first lady Michelle Obama's work on reducing childhood obesity as successful campaigns that made good use of the bully pulpit.

Obama himself has pointed to his wife's "Let's Move" campaign against obesity and her "Joining Forces" effort to support military families as good models, Pfeiffer said. He adds that because voluntary campaigns often attract bipartisan support, they can turn out to have more staying power even than laws or executive orders, which can be reversed when power changes hands in Washington.

Still, George Edwards, a political science professor at Texas A&M University who's written a book on presidential use of the bully pulpit, said Obama's strategy shows "what presidents are reduced to in an era of great polarization, in which your initiatives are not going to go anywhere." He sees the president's persuasive efforts as effective only at the margins.

Obama seemed to acknowledge as much when he wrote in a recent congressional campaign fundraising letter to supporters: "Let me level with you: The only way we're going to achieve our goals is by electing more Democrats in 2014."

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Obama's photo-op with the pope is just that

■ It would be a mistake to read too much into their meeting



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This week's meeting between Pope Francis and President Obama holds great promise in a time of turmoil, though not necessarily in the ways some may hope.

In anticipation of the meeting, everyone seems to want a piece of the pope. The head of the New Evangelical Partnership for the Common Good has posted a petition on the White House's "We the People" website that makes a religious case for action on climate change.

Activists pushing for immigration reform are seeking an audience with Pope Francis the day before he meets with Obama. The president has said he wants to discuss his own agenda of tackling poverty and income inequality, the focus of the pope's ministry.

None of these issues can be characterized as hard sells to the leader of the Catholic Church, a man who has eschewed the papal palace for more modest accommodations and strolls the streets of Rome in sensible shoes; who has said we have a duty to protect God's creation; and who is, by the way, South American.

Thus, getting the pope to voice concern about poverty, immigration and environmental conservatism is not likely to require much sweat in the exercise of persuasive powers. Getting to *how* one accomplishes such things through policy isn't in the pope's wheelhouse. Getting people to examine their own souls is something else.

When the pope and the president look into each other's eyes, they may not see each other's souls, but we know that one of them will be focused intently on its discovery. What happens next is known to no one. But it is inconceivable that the president will not be moved in the presence of such grace. Equally likely is that Pope Francis will discover the pilgrim in Obama.

The rest of the world will see what it needs.

In the U.S., both left and right have projected onto the pope the image they wish to see — that is, a reflection of themselves — rather than the man he truly is. My own observations are gleaned not from a crystal ball but from many conversations with people close to the Vatican and from each man's actions. From these we may infer the verities each holds dear.

We know our president well enough at this point, but our view of the pope has been only a partial image conveyed by commentaries and cameras. He is the pontiff who pats a stray boy's head when the child tries to keep the pope's attention to himself. He's the leader who wants the church to focus less harshly on the social issues that divide. He is the most unusual pope who organizes a fast and leads a peace vigil opposing U.S. military action in Syria.

And he is the one who asks, "Who am I to judge?" on the subject of gays.

He is beloved because he makes us feel good, pointing us in the direction of our better angels. But he is also human and we should not infer that because he is benevolent, he is also benign. This would be to misunderstand and underestimate him. In his daily homilies, Pope Francis talks frequently about the struggle between good and evil. He quotes from Robert Hugh Benson's 1907 novel "Lord of the World," a story of the anti-Christ.

His earthly concerns may be the least of these, but his primary business is souls.

He is also a cagey, worldly-wise Jesuit — keenly aware of human nature and motivations. In other words, he knows full well that he is the object of a presidential photo-op. But the man whose kind smile reminds us all that we were children once will play his part because, let's face it, he's the pope. His smile for the camera may be interpreted as pleasure with present company, but more likely it will be for the good it might do.

Beneath that kind countenance is a sharp mind well versed in the conflicts between his church and this president. For certain, he will have been thoroughly briefed on the several dozen lawsuits against the Obama administration related to the Affordable Care Act's contraceptive mandate.

Obviously, not all Americans see the point in all the fuss about contraception, to the extent they care about it at all. The principles in dispute may seem esoteric, but at the end of the day, yes, the Pope *is* Catholic. And though he may bless our president and beam that knowing smile, his prayer for humanity's salvation has no political party affiliation and should be construed by none as such.

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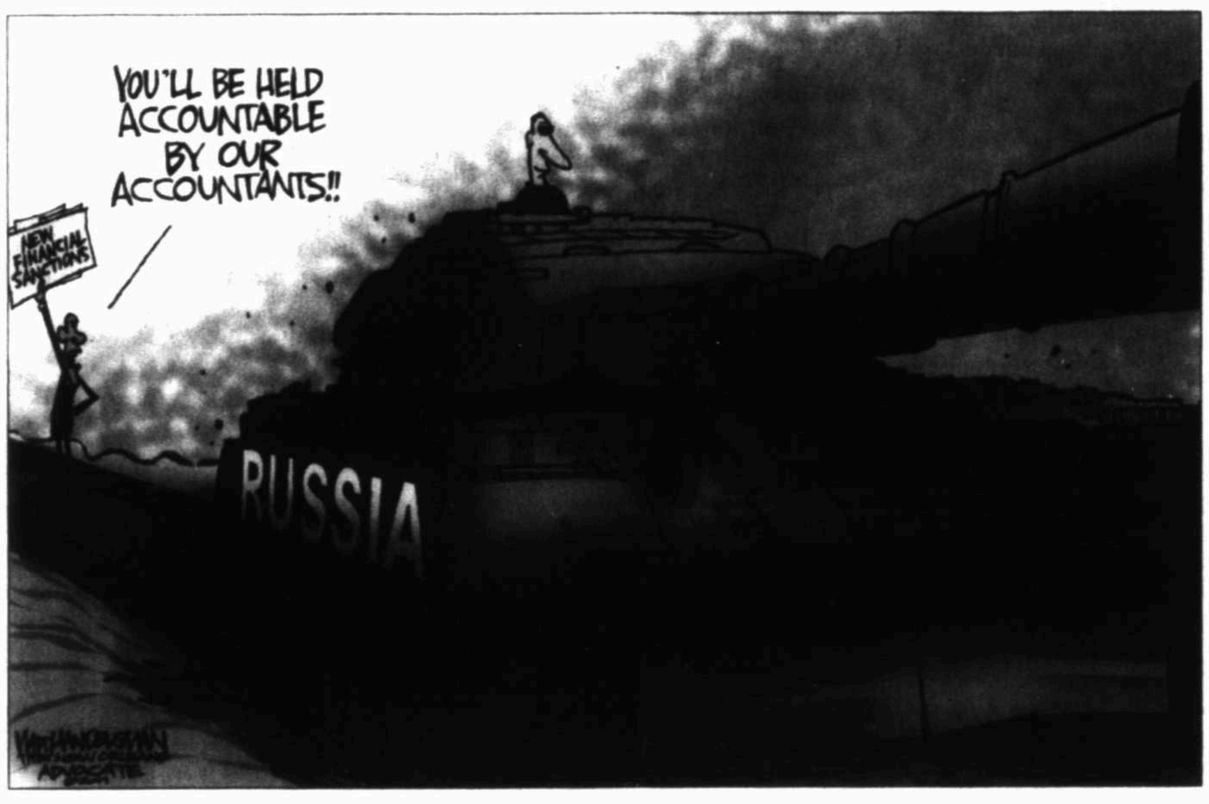
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America is a spectator on this flight

■ The events around the world shows there are times the U.S. is just a bystander



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It took off with a clear destination but then veered off course and disappeared. Several countries joined the search for answers and offered conflicting theories about what went wrong.

I speak, of course, of the U.S. attempt to keep Vladimir Putin from taking Crimea.

Any resemblance between Russia's annexation of the Ukrainian province and the tragedy of Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 is purely coincidental. But both have been humbling.

The search in Asia showed that, for all our global connectivity and surveillance technology, a jumbo jet can vanish without a trace. And events in Ukraine revealed that, though the United States likes to call itself the world's only superpower, it had no ability to stop Russia from lopping off a chunk of a neighbor.

The first — part mystery, part thriller — is more captivating. But it distracted us from the second, which is a serious statement on the limits of American power in the 21st century. Russia perpetrated the first annexation of one European country's territory by another since World War II — and its leaders literally scoffed at U.S. objections and sanctions.

The neocons say the Ukraine invasion is a result of President Obama's weakness, brought about by his administration's attempt at a conciliatory "reset" of relations with Russia and his failure to enforce his ultimatum in Syria. Putin, by contrast, justified the invasion in a speech last week by citing American military actions in Iraq and other states and quoting George W. Bush's with-us-or-against-us philosophy.

For those who believe in American power, reality is more difficult to accept than either of those explanations. We didn't cause the Russian annexation of Crimea, and we can't stop it. The world just isn't that into us.

"This has very little to do with the U.S. posture in the last few years. It's a trend that's been developing under Putin since he came to power," says Stephen Hanson, a Russia specialist at the College of William & Mary. "We should not be looking backward and blaming the United States. We should be looking to contain Putin."

A former top official on Bush's national-security team acknowledged to me that there's not much that can be done now to stop Putin in Crimea; he simply said Obama could have prevented it from coming to this. Maybe so. And maybe Flight 370 was hijacked by an Iranian traveling on a stolen passport. Or it was flown to North Korea. Or Pakistan, where it's being weaponized to attack Israel. Or it crashed on an uninhabited island. Or the Illuminati were involved. Or there's an Asian version of the Bermuda Triangle. Or something supernatural happened. Or it was sucked into a black hole.

While we're speculating, allow me to add another: Maybe Putin did it, as a diversion. As we searched the oceans, he finished the job in Crimea.

By the time President Obama spoke in the White House driveway Thursday morning, the Russian takeover was a done deal. Obama was really warning about "further incursions." In a conference call with reporters a few minutes later, administration officials justified the restrained U.S. response, saying "we don't want to take steps to add to a momentum of further militarizing the situation."

Even the president's most hawkish critics acknowledge there is no military option in Ukraine. The best the United States and European Union can do is prop up Ukraine's economy, while NATO assures Poland and the Baltic states it will live up to its defense commitments. The range of choices really comes down to how to "calibrate" sanctions, as the administration puts it.

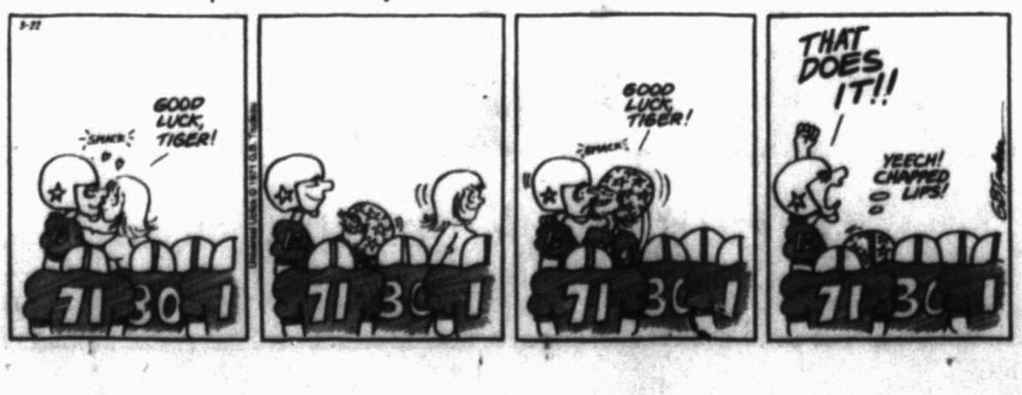
Severe economic sanctions — targeting Russia's energy industry, for example — could provoke a bigger crisis in the region while scuttling Russian cooperation on nuclear proliferation and Iran talks. But the limited sanctions unveiled so far by the United States and Europe risk being ineffective — such as Thursday's targeting of the 17th-largest bank in Russia. Putin mocked this choice of a "middle-sized bank" (he said he would open an account there) and then promptly signed a law finalizing Russia's takeover of Crimea.

On Thursday's administration conference call, The Washington Post's Karen DeYoung noted that "the Russians don't seem to have been deterred by what you've done."

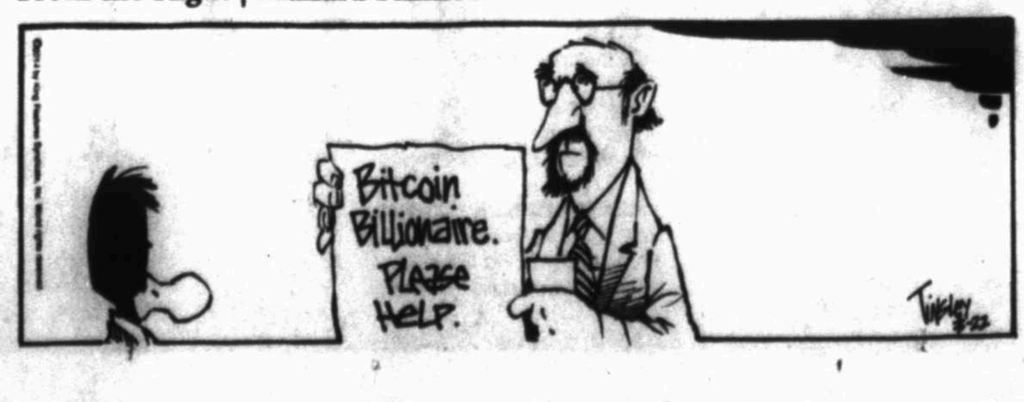
"People may think that [the sanctions] are a mere wrist-slap," an official protested. "I can assure them that they are not."

Maybe he's right. Or maybe we're just trying to convince ourselves that we're something more than spectators.

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CARL LEUBSDORF
Dallas Morning News

Robert Strauss: a Washington fixture with Texas roots

■ He was old school in the way he dealt with politicans in both parties and he knew how to court the right people

Editor's note: This column was first published on Oct. 6, 2008, on the occasion of Robert Strauss' 90th birthday. Strauss died Wednesday.

Several weeks after President Jimmy Carter lost his 1980 re-election battle, his campaign chairman, Bob Strauss, was looking ahead.

Over breakfast, the venerable Dallas lawyer-lobbyist praised how Ronald Reagan was conducting his transition and noted that he would attend a dinner with him later that week.

Asked why he was so hard to reach after Reagan routed his candidate, Strauss quipped, "The truth of the matter was I was in Las Vegas dead drunk with my wife, losing a lot of money and having a wonderful time."

That's the Bob Strauss who has been a Washington fixture for nearly four decades: funny, smart, sometimes profane, always ready to adapt to changing circumstances.

It explains why Strauss has been beloved by senior figures of both parties — and the press.

He's something of a disappearing breed in this increasingly partisan capital; his personal and political friendships span the two major parties and enabled him to hold senior positions under Carter, a Democrat, and George H.W. Bush, a Republican.

Bob Strauss first attained political prominence in Texas in the 1960s through his friendship with Gov. John Connally, but he was 50 when he got his first major national post: treasurer of a broke Democratic Party after the 1968 election.

In 1972, he was elected national chairman, backed by governors and congressional leaders eager to reverse a leftward swing that led to George McGovern's disastrous defeat.

Strauss modified the nominating process and gave a key role in the 1974 midterm elections to one of his gubernatorial backers, a little known Georgian named Jimmy Carter.

Carter used that platform to build a presidential bid. Later, Strauss acknowledged that he hadn't realized Carter's ambition when he picked him after a conversation with Atlanta lawyer Charles Kirbo, an old friend who was close to Carter.

His chairmanship also cemented a friendship with the transplanted Texan who was his Republican counterpart, the elder Mr. Bush. Three decades later, he found a place in his Dallas law firm for Bush's grandson, George P. Bush.

Aboard the Carter plane days before the election, he told me that, if the Democrats won, he hoped to be the president's special trade representative, a perfect job for someone with his skills and one that might later benefit his law firm, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld.

When he got the job, he made sure that reporters who covered him were not beaten on the story.

Indeed, Strauss was a master at cultivating the press, from the political writers who covered his chairmanship to the foreign policy experts who followed him as Carter's Middle East negotiator. For many years, he gave annual chili parties in his Watergate apartment for working reporters, big-name columnists and bureau chiefs.

During the Reagan years, Nancy Reagan consulted him, along with other so-called wise men, during the Iran-Contra scandal before forcing the ouster of Donald Regan as chief of staff.

His most surprising role came when the first President Bush named him ambassador to the Soviet Union amid the turmoil after its empire collapsed. He wanted an envoy he could trust.

Strauss was overseas when Bill Clinton beat Bush and never got close to the Clintons. Later, Al Gore, to his detriment, never sought Strauss' advice.

But the man who beat Gore recognized his stature in Washington. Soon after his election, George W. Bush invited Bob Strauss to the White House.

Strauss has been generally dismayed at what he has seen in the ensuing years and, entering his ninth decade on Earth, is pleased that Democrats will benefit.

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Top primary vote-getter in Texas? 'Yes'

■ What matters most? Apparently those non-bonding referendums at the bottom of the primary ballot

KEN HERMAN
Cox Newspapers

Texans who call themselves registered Republicans are lying. So are Texans who call themselves registered Democrats.

In Texas, you can be a registered nurse. You can be a registered sex offender. But you can't be a registered Republican or a registered Democrat.

(If you're cattle, you can be a registered Brangus. You also can be a Polled Hereford. As a city boy, I wonder what the Polled Herefords were asked. Their support for mooooveon.org? Yes, a small portion of what you paid to read this goes into my pocket. Astonishing, isn't it?)

The attempted point is we don't have party registration in Texas. When you sign up to vote, you sign up as a voter, nothing else. With the proper ID, you're free to vote in either or no primary.

But, unbeknownst to some voters, you declare party allegiance when you vote in primaries. I, for example, apparently am a Republican because I voted in that primary this year on a ballot that said: "I am a Republican and understand that I am ineligible to vote or participate in another political party's primary election or convention during this voting year."

The Democratic ballot said the same thing, starting with "I am a Democrat ... "

I'm not really a D or an R. I'm an independent who has and will cast votes for Ds and Rs. I've found things to dislike about both parties. Many Texas Repubs have swung too far to the right for my tastes. And many Texas Dems believe anybody who disagrees with them is stupid.

Back when I covered politics and was duty-bound to keep my politics out of my coverage, I skipped primaries in order to avoid appearance of party allegiance. Now that I'm paid to share my opinions (and third-grade humor, see above, mooooveon.org), I vote in primaries. I voted in the March 4 Repub primary because I wanted to participate in the four-way race for the GOP nomination for lieutenant governor, which I viewed as the most important really contested race on either ballot.

FYI, if you voted in either primary, you can only vote in the May 27 runoffs of that party. If you voted in neither primary, you can vote in either runoff.

Do you know the top vote-getter in the March 4 primaries? The answer is "yes," and it came in one of the nonbinding propositions the parties put on their ballots. In general, they are questions like "Don't you really, really like the stuff we really, really like?"

The only thing lots of voters know about the just-for-show propositions is the ballot blurb about them. For example, GOP Prop. 5 said: "All elected officials and their staff should be subject to the same laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances as their constituents."

How many red-blooded, red-state Repubs could be against that? The answer is 8,583, or 0.63 percent of voters who weighed in on GOP Prop. 5, which drew more votes than anything else on either ballot, including the contests for U.S. senator, governor and lite guv.

"Yes" on GOP Prop. 5 got 1,344,230 votes, more than anybody or anything on the ballots. There were more votes cast on five of the six GOP props than in the GOP lite guv race. Odd, especially because the props are at the bottom of the ballot.

Another oddity: 13 percent of GOP voters (174,594 of them) said "no" on Prop. 2: "Texas should support Second Amendment liberties by expanding locations where concealed handgun license-holders may legally carry."

On the Dem side, each of the four props drew more voter participation than anything else on that ballot. The highest turnout was on Dem Prop 2: "Congress should pass legislation raising the federal minimum wage to at least 110 percent of the federal poverty level for a family of four without exception." Of the 559,337 votes cast on that one by folks who declared themselves to be Dems, 10.9 percent, 60,977 voters, said Congress should not do that.

Bottom line: It's got to be comforting to our enemies to know that more of our voters participate in nonbinding ballot measures than those that bind.

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Anti-vaccine cause should be debunked

■ This movement is undoing decades of medical progress

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In a feat that would have been unimaginable a few decades ago, the anti-vaccine movement has managed to breathe life into nearly vanquished childhood diseases.

It took all the ingenuity and know-how we are capable of to find safe, effective ways to dramatically diminish diseases such as measles and whooping cough in the developed world; it took all the hysteria and willful ignorance we are capable of to give them a boost. A developer of the measles vaccine, Dr. Samuel Katz, said the question "is not whether we shall see a world without measles, but when."

Not if Jenny McCarthy has anything to say about it. The former Playboy model and current co-host of "The View" is a leading light of the anti-vaccine movement. She has a boy with autismlike symptoms that she is convinced were caused by the vaccine for measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR). You can credit her passion for her child, sympathize with her heartbreak — and still cringe at her wholly irrational cause.

It is only natural that parents who see their young autistic children slip away at about the same time they receive vaccinations make the mistake of confusing correlation and causation. And it is only human to want to believe that a tragedy is a morality tale with readily identifiable villains, in this case the drug industry and the medical establishment. None of this makes the so-called anti-vaxxers any less wrong, or doggedly impervious to evidence.

No amount of discrediting makes a difference. One theory was that a preservative in children's vaccines called thimerosal was causing autism. But the U.S. removed thimerosal from most childhood vaccines in 2001. If the theory had been sound, this should have reduced cases of autism. It didn't. Cases have continued to rise, and the same held true in Canada and Denmark after eliminating thimerosal in the 1990s.

Another theory, latched onto by McCarthy, is that the MMR vaccine in particular causes autism. Dr. Andrew Wakefield publicized this supposed link in a famous article in the British medical journal The Lancet. It has since been thoroughly debunked. The Lancet retracted Wakefield's paper, and the British Medical Journal reported that he "falsified data." He had his medical license revoked. All of which should have been enough to give the anti-vaxxers pause.

Nonetheless, they fight on. In an interview with the Fox Business Network the other day, former MTV star Kristin Cavallari plugged the anti-vaccination cause, citing "books" and "studies."

Most parents don't listen. Only 1.8 percent of kindergartners get exempted from vaccinations, according to NBC News. But the number is higher in some states. In Oregon, the rate is 6.4 percent, with some counties hitting double digits. In California, Marin County has an exemption rate of nearly 8 percent. The more kids go unvaccinated, the greater the chance that diseases can get a foothold.

They usually are imported from abroad, but the absence of vaccination is a boon to their spread. A study in the journal Pediatrics found that the 2010 whooping-cough outbreak in California — when the state had the highest number of cases since 1947 — hit hardest in areas with high levels of nonvaccination. In 2013, measles cases tripled nationwide. Outbreaks were centered in religious communities in Brooklyn, N.Y., Texas and North Carolina that had resisted vaccination. New York City has another small outbreak right now.

In the panic created by the Wakefield article, England saw MMR vaccination rates fall to 80 percent in 2004 and Wales to 78 percent. In 2012, England and Wales had the highest number of measles cases in 18 years.

These are dangerous illnesses, and the victims of an outbreak are often infants too small to have yet received vaccinations. McCarthy styles herself a "mother warrior." If so, the kids sickened in the fallout from reduced vaccinations are the victims of friendly fire. Nothing good can come from undoing one of the miracles of medical progress.

Q&A: Am I stuck in my job's costly health plan?

Editor's note — First in a three-part series addressing real-life questions about personal impact of health care law.

By Calvin Woodward
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The new health care law helps some people, hurts others and confuses almost everyone. Hoping to simplify things a bit, The Associated Press asked its Twitter, Facebook and Google Plus followers for their real-life questions about the program and the problems they're running into as the March 31 deadline approaches to sign up for coverage in new insurance markets.

Two of their questions and our answers:

Can they fine me?

Q: "I'm currently unemployed and without health insurance. How does this affect me at this time? ... I'll be fined because I can't afford coverage?" — Cat Moncure, Harrisonburg, Va.

A: As long as you don't have income, the government doesn't require you to get health coverage and won't fine you. Specifically, if you don't make enough money so that you have to file a federal tax form, you're in the clear from the law's insurance mandate. The tax-filing threshold is $10,000 for an individual, $20,000 for a family.

But let's say you get a job this year and earn enough so that you have to file a 2014 tax form. Then you'll have to do some math to see whether you have come under the requirement to get health insurance.

If the cheapest policy you can get costs more than 8 percent of your income, you still don't need health insurance. In that case, you'll get an exemption from the coverage requirement when you file your taxes. If you make more than that, then you will need coverage or face an IRS penalty.

Of course, none of this helps you get health care if you need to see a doctor while you are jobless.

In some states, Medicaid is the answer because they've expanded the program to low-income adults without children, not just families, children or certain disabled or elderly adults. But Virginia did not expand its program. The new Virginia governor, Terry McAuliffe, has made Medicaid expansion a priority. But there's no telling how long that might take or whether he'll succeed.

It's probably worthwhile to go to HealthCare.gov, click on "see plans before I apply" and follow the steps to find out what plans are available in your area, what they cost and what kind of subsidy you might get if you purchase one in that marketplace. You don't lose anything by window shopping.

Whatever you do, know that if you get a job during 2014, your new income may require you to get insurance at that time. You'll want to keep an eye on that, so you don't find yourself facing a penalty when you file 2014 taxes.

Trapped in a workplace plan?

Q: "My insurance went up. Now, I have no money left to actually afford the copays or the much-needed eyeglasses for my daughter. I think I'm what Obamacare considers the working poor. I work, therefore I don't get free health care. Like everything else offered to help struggling people, I make less than $200 over the minimum, so I get zilch." — Laura Carter, suburbs of Savannah, Ga.

Her story: Carter supports an 18-year-old daughter and herself with a $27,000 salary from her job as a mitigation specialist and collector in Savannah, 45 minutes from her home. When her company changed insurers in October, her premiums for family coverage soared by about $150 a month, to $285.

A: People like Carter, who feel stuck in a workplace plan she can't afford, may qualify for subsidized coverage in the new insurance markets, called exchanges, under certain conditions.

The exchanges are mostly for people who do not get insurance at work. But they are also open to those who get work-based insurance that costs too much. The rule is this: If you are paying more than 9.5 percent of your income for your employer's insurance, you should be able to switch to a plan in the exchange, and if your income is low enough, you should qualify for subsidized premiums in that plan.

It gets a bit more complicated when your work coverage extends to a family member, like Carter's daughter. In Carter's case, she has to ask her employer how much insurance would cost her if only she were covered. If it's more than 9.5 percent of her income, she meets the test. Then she and her daughter should be able to move to a plan in the exchange. Based on her income, she should be able to find considerably cheaper coverage there.

In a family with adult children under 26, it may also be worth seeing how much separate policies would cost for parent and child, and whether the child might qualify for Medicaid coverage. These options are much more promising when the child is no longer a dependent on the parent's taxes. Also, Medicaid might only be an option in states that expanded the program. Georgia, for one, didn't.

Under the law, children up to 26 can stay on their family's coverage, so there's no need to split it up if it doesn't save money.

Questions Do you have your own questions about how the U.S. health care law affects you? Ask AP using the #APHealthCare hashtag on Twitter or by commenting under our Facebook or Google Plus posts on the topic.

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Stephanie Payne poses for a photo Monday in St. Louis. Payne, 62, plans to plans to retire early from her nursing career and take advantage of health care coverage offered through the Affordable Care Act, allowing her spend more time pursuing other interests while not being tied to employer-sponsored coverage.

With health law, workers ponder the 'I quit' option

By Carla Johnson
Associated Press

CHICAGO — For uninsured people, the nation's new health care law may offer an escape from worry about unexpected, astronomical medical bills. But for Stephanie Payne, of St. Louis, who already had good insurance, the law could offer another kind of escape: the chance to quit her job.

At 62, Payne has worked for three decades as a nurse, most recently traveling house to house caring for 30 elderly and disabled patients. But she's ready to leave that behind, including the job-based health benefits, to move to Oregon and promote her self-published book. She envisions herself blogging, doing radio interviews and speaking to seniors groups.

"I want the freedom to fit that into my day without squeezing it into my day," she said.

One of the selling points of the new health care plan, which has a March 31 enrollment deadline, is that it breaks the link between affordable health insurance and having a job with benefits. Payne believes she'll be able to replace her current coverage with a $400- to $500-a-month plan on Oregon's version of the new insurance exchange system set up under the law.

Federal experts believe the new insurance option will be a powerful temptation for a lot of job-weary workers ready to bail out. Last month, congressional budget analysts estimated that within 10 years, the equivalent of 2.5 million full-time workers could be working less because of the expanded coverage.

But is the new option a gamble? That's a matter of debate, not only among the politicians who are still arguing furiously over the law's merits, but among economists and industry experts.

"We don't know what the future of exchange insurance will be," said economist Douglas Holtz-Eakin, president of the American Action Forum, a center-right public policy institute. Premiums should remain stable if enrollment picks up and broadens to include younger, healthier people. But if older, sicker people are the vast majority of customers, prices eventually could spike.

For Mike Morucci, 50, the idea of leaving his information technology job and its health benefits is "terrifying," he said.

But he decided to take the plunge after reviewing the range of coverage available at different price points. Tax credits will help those with moderate incomes pay their insurance premiums. And coverage is guaranteed even for those with pre-existing conditions. Twenty-five states also agreed to expand their Medicaid programs, providing health care for more low-income people.

"It definitely freed up my thinking when I thought, 'Do I want to give this a go?'" said Morucci, of Ellicott City, Md.

Morucci has been writing scripts at night and on weekends for four years and is on a team of writers for a web-based comedy series titled "Click!" launching this spring. Before giving notice at the job he had held for 18 years, he made a spreadsheet of health plans available on the Maryland exchange and found one for $650 a month to cover him and his 23-year-old daughter.

"I turned 50, so for me it's time to focus on my passion instead of my paycheck," he said.

The United States has been unique among industrialized nations in tying insurance and employment closely, said labor economist Craig Garthwaite, of Northwestern University, who co-authored a frequently cited study on how the health law may break what's known as "job lock." Even in Germany and Japan, where insurance remains private, people who can't afford it get public assistance and coverage is guaranteed.

Job lock "forces people to work at jobs that are not suited to their talents just to get benefits," Garthwaite said. "Economists tend to think that's a bad thing."

In congressional testimony this month, Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius said that "people will have some choices that they don't have today" including farm families who "will have the choice of not having to have an off-farm job to get health insurance for the family."

However, one rub may be the cost. The insurance on the new marketplace is often more expensive than what a worker has now because employers often make large contributions to premiums.

The average annual premium paid by an employee is $999, according to a recent Kaiser Family Foundation survey. In the new markets, the average annual premium is $5,558 for a 50-year-old and $8,435 for a 60-year-old, according to an analysis run for The Associated Press by HealthPocket.

But some employers are cutting back on their contributions, narrowing the gap.

At this point, Americans over age 50 are most likely to take advantage of the new freedom, Garthwaite said. They're ready for a career change and may have enough savings to take a risk.

Pamela Mahoney, 50, of Los Gatos, Calif., decided to leave a job in corporate communications when the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the health care law.

"I about did cartwheels down the hall," she said of hearing the court's decision. In January, she joined her husband full time in the communications company, BlueChair Group Inc., they co-founded. They recently chose an insurance plan for $1,100 a month on the California marketplace.

She was able to get coverage despite having asthma, a pre-existing condition that might have made her uninsurable before the new law guaranteed coverage.

"Prior to the Affordable Care Act, I felt bound to be an employee rather than a small business owner," she said. "There's something to be said for having your own business and being in control of your own destiny."

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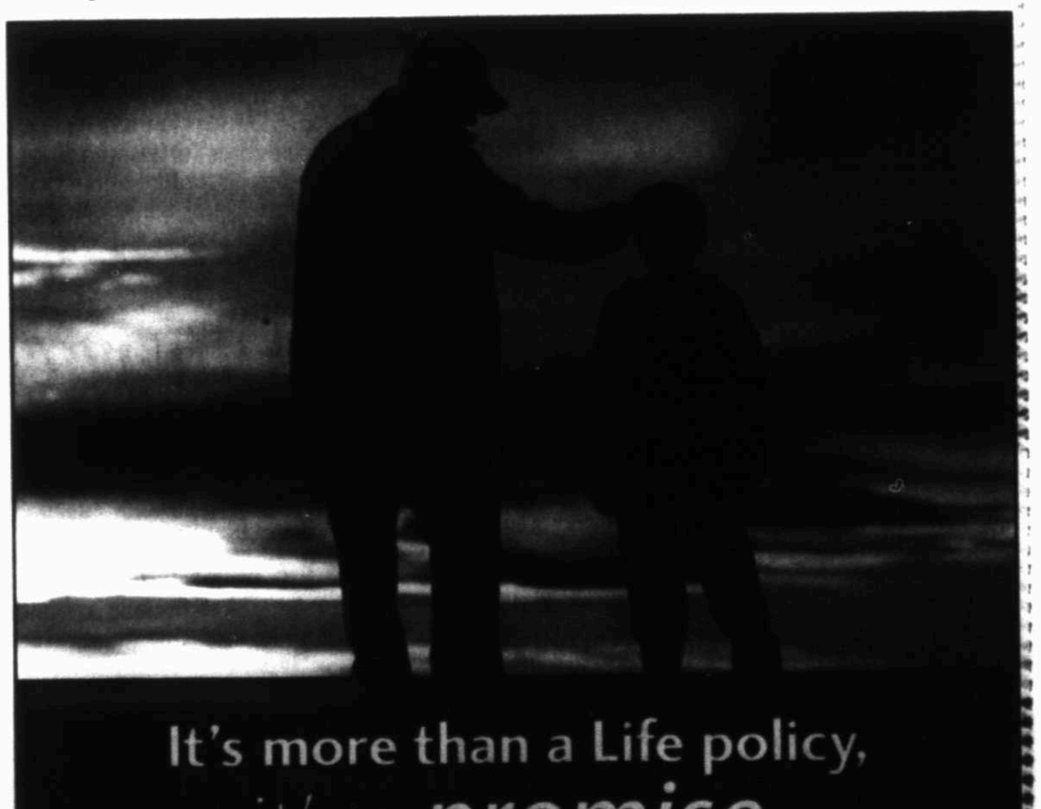
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Mexican hunger crusade raises questions

By E. Eduardo Castillo
Associated Press

COCHOAPA EL GRANDE, Mexico — On a recent weekday afternoon, half a dozen children crossed the main square on their way home from school in this dusty farming town of 2,600 people high in the pine-covered mountains of southern Mexico.

Their bellies ached from malnourishment and their arms were as skinny as those of children half their 8 or 9 years of age.

A few feet away, a menu pinned to the wall of a government-run kitchen promised cookies, eggs with meat, rice and juice. But the kitchen was closed and the five large tables were empty, with dozens of plastic chairs stacked against a wall. Residents said it had only been operating sporadically since it opened, with no explanation from the officials who were supposed to be running it.

More than a year after President Enrique Pena Nieto launched what he called a national crusade against hunger, the government said 3 million Mexicans are eating better. However, independent experts said that number is questionable and the crusade against hunger appears to be doing far less than advertised.

On visits to three of the community kitchens supposedly operating in Guerrero, one of Mexico's poorest and most hunger-plagued states, Associated Press reporters found not a single one in operation. State officials said they had no knowledge of a fourth community kitchen in the city of Acapulco, despite federal government claims that one had been set up.

Since independence more than two centuries ago, Mexico has suffered from persistently high levels of poverty and economic inequality, but Pena Nieto is the first president to focus so intently on hunger, which his administration calls the most pressing problem facing the country's poorest citizens.

In the 400 poorest and most malnourished of the country's 2,400 municipalities, the Pena Nieto administration has been trying to enroll more people in existing social programs such as Opportunities, which provides a small monthly stipend to qualifying poor Mexicans. The only completely new element of the program is the creation of government-run cafeterias known as community kitchens.

The United Nations defines a hungry person as someone who for at least a year is not able to eat enough to cover their basic energy needs. The Mexican government has a much looser definition, saying that a hungry person is anyone who is in extreme poverty and suffers from what it calls "a lack of food." And the Mexican government acknowledges that for at least another year there will be no way to measure whether the program is actually addressing the problems of those it's supposed to benefit — 7 million Mexicans the government said are suffering from a combination of extreme poverty and malnourishment even as the country also suffers from among the world's highest rates of obesity.

"Our task will be measuring the situation out in the field to verify that this is true," said Gonzalo Hernandez Licona, head of the National Council for the Evaluation of Social Development Policy.

That hasn't stopped the government from claiming success.

"After a year, it's very encouraging to see and appreciate the progress, that out of these 7 million Mexicans, 3 million Mexicans today, a year later, are assured of better nutrition," Pena Nieto said in late January.

Critics said many of the government's claims about the crusade's success are based simply on the continued enrollment of Mexicans in programs that began under previous administrations. Some of those enrollment figures have even been dropping, raising further questions about the 3 million figure.

Critics also charge that the Pena Nieto government is claiming a dramatic achievement without real proof, a preference for style over substance that spills over into a variety of areas, from security to political reforms.

"There's been success in the sense of passing controversial legislative reforms, but there haven't been any results yet," said Edna Jaime, director of the think tank Mexico Evaluates. "We aren't seeing any evidence that things are going better."

The government said Guerrero was the first state to receive community kitchens to help the already poor state recover from the damage wreaked by Hurricane Manuel last year. The kitchens are supposed to open from Monday to Friday and provide free food for breakfast and lunch.

On a recent morning, no food was being prepared and no residents showed up all day in Cochoapa El Grande. Another kitchen in the nearby village of San Miguel Amoltepec was closed.

The federal secretary of social development said the administration also has installed two kitchens in the city of Acapulco. A recent visit by an AP reporter found one out of service and state officials disavowed any knowledge of a second. Officials and residents said the three kitchens seen by the AP had operated at some point, but not consistently.

Florentino Vazquez Lopez, a 44-year-old farm worker, said he occasionally sent some of his six children to the community kitchen in Cochoapa el Grande, but kitchen employees demanded a fee of two or three pesos from each person, or firewood from those without cash.

Residents of San Miguel Amoltepec, a 20-minute drive away on a narrow dirt road, said they were similarly asked to pay a small fee in cash or firewood. Some said the kitchen had closed two days earlier after it ran out of food.

Much of the food is canned and shipped from major cities, a practice experts and indigenous advocates called a missed opportunity to help local agriculture.

"It's a charity model that in some ways perpetuates cycles of poverty," said Xaviera Cabada, director of the nutritional food campaign for the group Consumer Power.

Regardless, said social scientists such as Gerardo Esquivel, a College of Mexico economist, such figures are a bad way of measuring whether people are actually being helped. Instead, officials could measure the physical effects of nutrition, such as anemia, weight and other indicators of proper diet.

"Up until now," Esquivel said, "all we have are actions, program and resources dedicated to creating more people receiving aid."



Dario Lopez-Mills/AP

A woman watches as her child is weighed Feb. 11 during their monthly visit to a health clinic in Cochoapa El Grande, Mexico. In the 400 poorest and most malnourished of the country's 2,400 municipalities, that include Cochoapa, the Mexican government has been trying to enroll more people in existing social programs such as Opportunities, which provides a small monthly stipend to qualifying poor Mexicans, as long as they meet requirements, such as taking their children to the monthly clinic visits.

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A P-3C Orion practices touch-and-go landings at Whidbey Island Naval Air Station in this 2001 photo near Oak Harbor, Wash. A similar type of the P-3 Orion, favored by the Australian and New Zealand defense forces, is being used in the search for the Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 that went missing on March 8.

Satellites to binoculars used in Flight 370 search

By Nick Perry
Associated Press

From satellites to binoculars, the hardware being used in the search for the missing plane far off western Australia ranges from the sophisticated to the simple. Some of the equipment being used to look for Malaysia Airlines Flight 370:

Orion planes

The plane most used so far has been the Lockheed P-3 Orion, a four-engine turboprop favored by the Australian and New Zealand defense forces. Because the search area in the southern Indian Ocean is so remote — some 1,550 miles southwest of Perth — it's an eight-hour round trip, leaving the planes just two or three hours to search.

One advantage of this plane is that it can fly at low altitudes for long periods, Mike Yardley, an air commodore with New Zealand's air force, said that his team's Orion flew at just 200 feet above the water Thursday to stay below thick clouds and fog — which requires intense concentration by the two pilots.

The Orion has a crew of 13, some of whom are stationed on an observation deck to search. Yardley said they use their eyesight, as well as a state-of-the-art radar system and three cameras — one infrared, one long-range, and one high resolution. The combination of systems helps them detect almost anything that's on the surface, he said. The crew also films everything so they can review what they've seen after they return to base.

The Orion has sonar to search below sea level, although it's not being used in this search, Yardley said.

Other planes involved Friday include a U.S. Navy P-8 Poseidon, which has been designed for anti-submarine warfare, and a civilian Bombardier Global Express, a long-range corporate jet with state emergency service observers on board. More planes are on the way.

Binoculars

The Norwegian cargo vessel Hoegh St. Petersburg arrived in the area late Thursday and used lights to search overnight.

The Filipino crew of 20 was planning to use binoculars and their eyesight to scour the water Friday. The ship had been carrying a load of cars from South Africa to Australia before being asked to join in the search.

Another commercial ship was to arrive later Friday and three Chinese naval ships were heading to the area. China also planned to send an icebreaker that happened to be in Perth following a voyage to Antarctica.

Any plane debris that is found will be transported back by the Australian navy ship the HMAS Success, which was to arrive at the search site Saturday.

Buoys with GPS

The New Zealand Orion plane dropped two marker buoys Thursday, and searchers were planning to drop more buoys from a C-130 Hercules military transport plane.

The buoys resemble a poster tube, each about 3.3 feet long, with an antenna that transmits a GPS signal that can be tracked by searchers.

The idea is that the buoys drift in a manner similar to any debris, giving searchers clues as to where debris might move over time. The system isn't perfect — the wind can move the buoys at a different rate than larger objects — but is designed to factor in some of those variables.

Images from space

Satellite images taken by a private company and released by the Australian government appeared to show two large objects, which prompted searchers to investigate further.

However, the images aren't definitive. They came from a DigitalGlobe satellite that can look left or right, but which gets lower quality images the farther to the side it looks.

The satellites aren't like the all-powerful ones in the movies that can, say, read a license plate from space. The images appear to be little more than smudges to the untrained eye, and need experts to interpret them. One thing experts look for are reflections, which can help indicate whether a smudge is an object or just water movement.

Jet mystery unfolds as Asian air travel booms

By Kelvin Chan
Associated Press

HONG KONG — The transfixing mystery of the Malaysia Airlines jet that went missing with 239 people on board has unfolded in a region where air travel is undergoing supercharged growth after decades of being beyond the reach of most people.

The still unknown fate of Flight 370, which vanished from civilian radar on a nighttime flight from Kuala Lumpur to Beijing on March 8, has riveted the flying public and baffled experts. The backdrop is also compelling even if far removed from the headlines.

Air travel in Asia is surging as the middle class gets bigger, discount airlines proliferate and business ties with the rest of the world deepen. Airports are scrambling to expand as they bulge with passengers and an upstart Indonesian carrier has given Boeing and Airbus their biggest jet orders ever.

The region's economic boom, seeded in the early 1990s by China's embrace of market style reforms, is the underlying reason.

"When you're poor you can't afford to fly," said Andrew Herdman, director general of the Association of Asia Pacific Airlines. "The big development of the demographics of Asia in the past 20 years has been the sheer number of people who have been lifted out of poverty into that middle income segment" of $10-$100 of disposable income a day.

The International Air Transport Association has forecast airline passengers to grow by 31 percent worldwide between 2012 and 2017. For Asia, that will mean the number of passengers increases an average of 6.3 percent each year, nearly three times as fast at the U.S.

Routes within or connected to China will be the single largest driver of growth, accounting for nearly a quarter of the additional 300 million passengers during those six years.

Whether the Malaysia Airlines jet succumbed to a sudden catastrophe, hijacking or malicious pilot action, it is unlikely to change a two-decade trend of ever more travelers, routes and planes.

"People become cautious about a particular airline for a while but you don't see travel patterns change," said Herdman.

Asian demand is a big reason why airlines are on the largest jet-buying spree in aviation history, ordering more than 8,200 new planes from Airbus and Boeing in the past five years. There are now 24 planes rolling off assembly lines each week, up from 11 a decade ago. And that rate is expected to keep climbing.

The bulk of the planes are going to new or quickly-growing airlines that serve the expanding middle class in China, India and Southeast Asia.

In Asia alone, Airbus has 1,375 unfilled airplane orders or about a quarter of its worldwide order book.

The low cost carriers are the hungriest buyers. Malaysia-based AirAsia and its affiliate AirAsia X together have orders for 385 new planes. Those new planes alone have enough seats to put an additional 60,000 passengers in the sky at the same time. Many of those planes will make multiple flights a day, sending that figure even higher.

Indonesia's Lion Air has an order for 234 jets from Airbus and another 301 from Boeing. That's in additional to the 107 Boeing jets it currently flies.

They're just two of the numerous low budget airlines that have opened up in the past decade, mostly in Southeast Asia, to service the growing demand for affordable air travel.

Even China, which for years has enforced restrictive policies aimed at supporting the three dominant state-owned carriers, is starting to give budget airlines a chance.

Last month, China's aviation regulator, the Civil Aviation Administration of China, said it would lower barriers for setting up a low cost airline, simplify approval procedures, cut charges for airports in lower-tier cities and encourage older airports to revamp terminals for budget carriers.

"The reins are loosened," said Will Horton, an analyst at CAPA The Center for Aviation.

To keep up, Asian governments are scrambling to build new terminals and runways.

Singapore, a wealthy city-state off the southern tip of peninsular Malaysia, expects additions to its airport will within a decade more than double the number of passengers it can handle yearly to 135 million.

Airport construction is most rampant in China, with authorities in the world's second-biggest economy authorizing the construction of dozens of new airports and the expansion of others.

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Nurse shortage creates overtime for district

Despite salary, recruiting medical staff in oil and gas economy remains difficult

By Rachael Gleason
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Midland Memorial Hospital's registered nurses were among its highest-paid employees of fiscal year 2013, with at least a fifth earning a salary greater than $80,000 and 8 percent drawing six figures.

That's not typical — the base pay for a nurse is about $30 an hour, or $60,000 a year, according to Russell Meyers, the hospital's chief executive officer.

But Midland Memorial nurses are logging in the extra hours.

They picked up 64 percent of overtime wages paid to employees earning more than $80,000 during the last fiscal year, according to salary information obtained through an open records request. And nurses collected the most extra pay for night shifts, professional certifications and advanced education.

Still, recruiting medical staff and hospital workers — and keeping them for the longhaul — is a challenge in an economy supercharged by the oil and gas industry, Meyers said.

"We are constantly concerned about being competitive — that has a pretty high cost," he said.

Meyers recalls a department secretary who didn't even make it two weeks at the hospital before taking a higher-paying job elsewhere.

"That's the reality," he said. "That happens every day, across all kinds of jobs."

More on health care

There is one week before the health care marketplace closes. Find out what the tax implications are for those with no insurance. Also check out a table of the nurse salaries.

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MMH as a government entity

Tasked with keeping a booming population healthy, Midland Memorial employs about 1,600 full-time staff for administration, nursing, clinical and pharmacy positions. Texas law prevents doctors from being employees of hospitals, which instead afford them admitting privileges — or the right to practice there.

Admissions at Midland Memorial, which opened a new patient tower in 2013 — were up 10 percent in 2013, said Meyers, reporting a record number of births last year, as well.

"We've had huge growth last year," he said. "This year has been ever busier."

The Midland County Hospital District is a governmental entity with taxing authority, but less than 10 percent of the Midland Memorial's revenue come

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Motorcycle fatality



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland emergency personnel investigate the scene of a crash involving a motorcycle Saturday on Rankin Highway near a Tractor Supply Co

MPD: Motorcyclist dies after Rankin Highway crash

From staff reports

A motorcyclist died Saturday after a collision with a pickup on Rankin Highway, according to the city's public information officer.

The city of Midland's Sara Higgins confirmed that the man, who was transported to Midland Memorial hospital with critical injuries, died before 8 p.m. at the hospital.

Emergency personnel responded to the crash at about 5:07 p.m. in the 2100 block of Rankin Highway near Tractor Supply Co.

An officer at the scene said the motorcyclist was traveling southbound on Rankin Highway when the driver of a pickup failed to yield the right of way, turning onto the southbound lanes and colliding with the motorcycle.

The officer said the motorcyclist was wearing a helmet.

Citations are possible pending the investigation's conclusion.

Traffic statistics

- First motorcycle fatality in 2014
- Eighth motorcycle fatality since the beginning of 2013
- 12th death this year (five in January, three in February, four in March)
- 55 deaths since the beginning of 2013

Source: Midland Reporter-Telegram records

This fatality marks the 12th death in 12 crashes this year on roads inside Midland County, according to Reporter-Telegram reports. There were seven deaths from motorcycle crashes in 2013, according to MRT records.

The last traffic death occurred March 15, when a 15-year-old Midland boy succumbed to injuries suffered in a March 11 rollover on State Highway 191 that left three other teenagers injured.

Before that, an Odessa man died March 14 after suffering injuries in a March 3 crash near West Industrial Loop and West Industrial Avenue, according to Reporter-Telegram records.

Here's a new resolution for you: Get outside

Melanie Nicholas
MRT columnist



I resolved to stop making resolutions a decade ago. I mean, really. Who actually changes their life and starts to exercise, gives up fried food, travels, has more sex and reads their Bible every day?

But this year, I did decide to try a little harder to be a healthier mom. I have already put off dieting until Monday, but this morning I hit the trail with the fam.

Have you been out to the I-20 Wildlife Preserve? Folks, you know I am not a nature girl. But it is fantastic.

First, I loved the metal signage. Contemporary and rustic, with beautiful dragonfly details. And it "fits" the space, standing out but blending and adding to the overall design of the preserve. In fact, the entire preserve has been carefully designed to incorporate into the playa without becoming intrusive to the wildlife living there. Second, the mile-long main trail is a wide boardwalk that is stroller accessible, perfect for families with littles.

My kiddos loved to watch the birds from the bird blinds that dot the trail. The blinds have roofs and walls with levered slats. Little Son could raise and lower the slats and peak to his heart's content. They also include benches, so they make perfect little rest stops. According to the preserve's Web page, there are many species of birds there, along with foxes, coyotes, raccoons, bobcats, deer, butterflies, dragonflies and all kinds of creepycrawlerhoppies such as frogs, toads, salamanders, turtles, lizards and snakes.

We had a great time walking the trails, looking at the different kinds of trees and bird feeding stations. One of my favorite parts was being able to see the dried animal tracks along the boardwalk. Being the awesome mom I am, I let Little Son's imagination run wild for a bit, convincing him we were walking along lion or bear tracks. The Hubs finally told him they were probably raccoon tracks though. I was glad that my sharp eyes missed the lizards and snakes.

Bodacious loved the hawk viewing

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Terry Williamson
Real life columnist



A return to Vietnam answers some questions but not all

On March 10, I awakened with great anticipation as the cruise ship the wife and I were on pulled into the port of Phu My, Vietnam.

It was almost 44 years to the day that I first set foot on this ancient countryside, and I dearly wanted to see what changes had taken place. Our ship, the Diamond Princess, would be here only one day, giving me only time to take an excursion into Ho Chi Minh City, still better known as Saigon.

I would not get a chance to explore the region where I spent a year in 1970 in Vietnam at Chu Lai as a soldier, but I never made it to Saigon on my first stay, so this would still give me an opportunity to see where the war ended.

It was as if I couldn't wrap my eyes around everything. I didn't want to miss a sight or a sound. I was first surprised by the modern freeway we used to make the 30-mile trek into Saigon, pavement, bridges and all. When I was in Vietnam, the only paved road was Highway 1, which ran the length of the coastline.

But much of the rest was the same. The bus passed the edge of the jungle canopy and the rural life was much like it was 44 years ago. In fact, this same lifestyle goes back more than 500 years.

I saw people gathering rice. They wore their cone sombreros and did the back-breaking work with a firm gusto. There were water buffaloes grazing here and there. There were rice paddies and rice paddy dykes that doubled as foot paths.

The hootches made of bamboo and entwined leaves of the palm trees still served as homes for the farmers and pens for the livestock.

Ducks still swarmed the rice fields to gather the leftovers. Palm trees waved and rivers flowed full as the rainy season was coming to an end.

I told the wife that I could stop the bus right here, put on my 50-pound pack, load my M-16 rifle and be right back in the war. Life went on just as I left it. It was if time had stopped. The only difference was that I wasn't 24 years old anymore and probably couldn't even lift a 50-pound pack.

But there was change when we reached the outskirts of Saigon.

Motorcycles were everywhere. They darted in and out of traffic and could be eight or nine Hondas abreast and 20 deep at a traffic light.

Our guide said cars were too expensive for the average citizen to own because of

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Murray L. Weidenbaum, Reagan economist, dies at 87

N.Y. Times News Service

ST. LOUIS — Murray L. Weidenbaum, who as President Ronald Reagan's first chief economic advlser elevated government regulation of business to the forefront of public policy debate but resigned unhappy about the administration's budget-making, died Thursday in St. Louis. He was 87.

His son, Jim, confirmed the death.

Weidenbaum, a Bronx-born economist, was fond of saying, "Don't just stand there, undo something." And he did, beginning in 1981, when the newly inaugurated Reagan appointed him chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers.

Reducing the size of government and lightening its regulatory hold on the private sector — including the banking, broadcasting and the food and drug industries — became a large theme of the Reagan presidency, which began with inflation still running in double digits and the economy heading into recession.

Deregulation, the White House believed, would help stimulate the economy by reducing the government rules and restrictions that industries said hamper their ability to expand and create jobs. But the policy's critics feared that an unfettered private sector could be dangerous to the economy and the public interest.

At the heart of what came to be known as Reaganomics was the proposition that the nation could be restored to economic health through fiscally stimulating tax cuts — the essence of supply-side economic theory — and by restricting the money supply to contain inflation. Critics of the administration called that combination contradictory.

Weidenbaum, a wry and slightly rumpled figure who had long shuttled between government and academic posts, previously at Washington University in St. Louis, proved to be one of the administration's least doctrinaire members, neither full-throated supply-sider nor strict monetarist.

"I was sympathetic to both," Weidenbaum said in a 2011 telephone interview for this obituary. But neither side "thought I was one of them."

He was also a prominent advocate of federal revenue-sharing, involving no-strings payments to states and localities. As an assistant secretary of the Treasury under President Richard M. Nixon, he had led a revenue-sharing initiative, which was briefly effective. But he wound up helping Reagan dismantle the program when revenue sharing did not displace a proliferation of separate grants and payments to state and local governments voted for by Congress.

Although fiscally conservative, Weidenbaum was more moderate than some of his peers in the White House. He was generally aligned with administration pragmatists like the budget director, David A. Stockman, and the chief of staff, James A. Baker III. They favored compromising with Democrats in Congress on raising tax revenue and cutting military spending because of their concern about deficits.

Weidenbaum, in the 2011 interview, said he left the administration after a year and a half precisely because he was unhappy with the 1983 budget and chose to quit rather than defend it before Congress.

Stepping down in August 1982, a time when Reagan's popularity had plummeted and the country was sinking into a deep recession, Weidenbaum was replaced by Martin S. Feldstein.

"After fighting the good fight, I quietly folded my tent and returned to St. Louis," Weidenbaum said.

But he left satisfied. In an op-ed article in The New York Times afterward, he wrote that the administration had "achieved significant progress in carrying out its economic recovery program" and that its deregulation efforts had been successful.

"For the first time in decades, no new major regulatory activities were enacted or promulgated," he wrote. "In fact, many burdensome regulations were modified or rescinded."

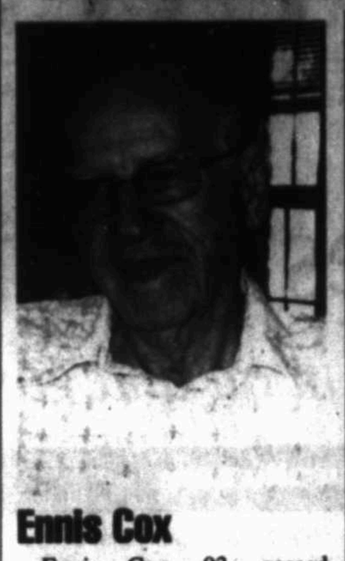
Weidenbaum also expressed general satisfaction with the administration's policy in a 2005 memoir, "Advising Reagan: Making Economic Policy, 1981-82."

"It seems clear that, on balance, Reaganomics was a success," he wrote. "The president's policies had injected a new sense of realism into the decision making in the private sector," as both management and workers paid more attention to controlling costs and raising productivity.

Murray Weidenbaum (the first syllable rhymes with "feed") was born Feb. 10, 1927, into a liberal Democratic household in the Bronx. He graduated from Erasmus Hall High School in Brooklyn and the City College of New York, where he was elected president of the student body on a platform of "Wine, Women and Weidenbaum."

Weidenbaum received a master's degree from Columbia University, then joined the New York state Department of Labor as a junior economist. At the time, like his family, he held union-friendly views and saw labor as the little guy at the mercy of big business. But he grew disillusioned with the labor cause after being assigned to a statistical analysis of a master contract for the Teamsters union. His encounter with an independent trucker who had vainly sought to negotiate on his own was a pivotal moment.

Obituaries



Ennis Cox

Ennis Cox, 93, passed away on March 17, 2014 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. He was a resident of Colorado Springs for two years and formerly lived in Midland, Texas for 38 years, where he was a petroleum engineer for Exxon until he retired in 1982.

Born in Rockport, Missouri on November 22, 1920, Ennis was the only child of Dell Ennis Cox and Tempa Elizabeth (Gaskill) Hancock. He married Lucille Irene Morgan in El Dorado, Kansas on October 21, 1945.

Ennis is survived by his son, Eugene Brian Cox; daughter, Debra (David) Hansen; one granddaughter, Melissa Anne (John) Trovas; and three great grandchildren, Stephanie Kalene Cox, John Alexander Trovas, and Nikolas Andrew Trovas.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 65 years.

After attending Perdue University, he graduated from the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College (now known as Oklahoma State University). Ennis served in the Army Air Corps for two and a half years during World War II flying B-17's. He spent 20 months as a POW in Germany after being shot down. He was awarded the Bronze Service Star, the Air Medal, and the EAME Theatre Medal.

Golf and bridge were his favorite pastimes which he enjoyed into his 90's. He was also an avid reader and loved to travel.

Online Condolences may be left at *ShrineOfRemembrance.com* .



Frances Isaacs

Frances Elizabeth Smith Isaacs went home to be with her Lord and Savior on March 22, 2014.

Mrs. Isaacs was born on September 22, 1918 in Wichita Falls, TX to James "Art" Smith and Minnie Ola Smith (neé Potter). Her family, which included three sisters and one brother, moved to Amarillo, TX in 1920 where Mrs. Isaacs attended public schools and graduated from Amarillo High School May 1937.

During high school she met and later married C.L. "Jack" Isaacs in 1938. They were blessed to be married for 51 years. Jack and Frances had three children; Preston, Linda and Jay. In 1952 they moved to Roswell, NM where they lived for over 50 years.

During their time in Roswell they were active in the community, devoted members of First United Methodist Church, which they joined in 1958, and the Roswell Masonic Lodge. Mrs. Isaacs was actively involved in Roswell Chapter #10 Order of Eastern Star, Assembly #116 Social Order of Beauceant, Daughters of the Nile and Rainbow Girls. In 1973 Mrs. Isaacs proudly served as Worthy Matron of Eastern Star, in 1983 served as President of Beauceant and in 2000 received her 50 year recognition as a member of Eastern Star. The devotion, love, commitment and dedication to and from her Masonic family are immeasurable.

Mrs. Isaacs is survived by her two children Linda Gadberry and husband Bob of Georgetown, TX and Jay Isaacs and wife Nancy of Midland, TX. She is also survived by two sisters Virginia Sprouse and Edna Shelton of Amarillo, TX. Frances was proud of her five grandchildren; Tammy McFarland and husband Eddie of Albuquerque, NM; Russell Isaacs of New York City; Melissa Ramsay and husband Trey of Elgin, TX;. Ryan Isaacs and wife Ashley of Ft. Lauderdale, Fl; and Lesley Isaacs of Midland, TX. She also enjoyed being the great-grandmother of her seven great grandchildren; Evinn, Preston, George, Jack, Grace, Craig and Kaylyn.

She was preceded in death by her husband Jack Isaacs, son Preston Isaacs, parents James and Minnie Smith, one sister Audrey and a brother Harold.

Visitation will be from 6:00 to 7:30 pm MST on Monday, March 24, 2014, at LaGrone Funeral Chapel in Roswell, NM.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am MST on Tuesday, March 25, 2014, at LaGrone Funeral Chapel in Roswell, with burial to follow at South Park Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations in her memory be made to the Roswell Masonic Heritage Fund, 2305 W College Blvd Roswell, NM 88201 or the Manor Park Foundation 2208 N. Loop 250 West Midland, TX 79707.

The family would like to thank the staff at Manor Park, Midland Memorial Hospital, Hospice of Midland and Dr Robert Vogel for their dedication and commitment to our beloved family member.



Kathleen Burns Campbell

Kathleen Patricia Sweeney Burns Campbell, 86, passed away peacefully on March 21, 2014 at Manor Park in Midland Texas surrounded by her loved ones.

Kathleen was born in Thomas, Oklahoma to Mary and Cornelius Sweeney on March 17, 1928 and was the youngest of 9 children. She graduated from Thomas High School in 1946 and later that year married A.E. Burns on August 27. They were married two months shy of their golden anniversary when he passed away in 1996. She married Clifford Campbell on July 2, 1999 and he passed away in 2002.

Kathleen was always active in her church, a dedicated student of her bible and loved the Lord with all her heart since being saved in 1937. She served faithfully beside her husband as he pastored many Baptist churches in Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico over the years. She loved music and was a church pianist from the age of 16. She taught piano for almost 50 years to a countless number of students. She also taught Sunday school for many years and belonged to the genealogical society, Music Teachers Association and the American Bible Society. She was a talented artist, gifted musician and created beautiful ceramics, needlework and quilts.

Kathleen was preceded in death by her parents, husbands Rev. A.E. Burns and Clifford Campbell, a son, David Price Burns and a grandson, Tyler Timian Burns. She was also preceded in death by her brothers, Joe, Clarence, Cornelius Jr., John and Edward and sisters Ellen Shaw and Anna Mae Jones. She is survived by her son, Byron Burns and wife Lois of Ardmore, Oklahoma; grandchildren, Sheryl Cavin, Michael (Donna) Burns & Stephen (Jaime) Burns; her son, Bobby Burns and wife Denise of Midland; grandson Austin (Whitney) Burns; her daughter-in-law Marty Burns of Midland; grandchildren Shanna (Jim) Stormes and Chad (Sandra) Vos; and her daughter Tricia Irion and husband Steve of Houston, Texas. She is also survived by a sister, Nona Cornett of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma as well as 16 great grandchildren.

Visitation will be held from 6-8 p.m. Sunday, March 23 at Ellis Funeral Home in Midland, Texas. The funeral service to celebrate the life of Kathleen will be at 10:00 a.m. Monday, March 24th at First Baptist Church Chapel in Midland, Texas with Reverend David Johnson officiating. Burial will follow Tuesday, March 25th at 10:00 a.m. at the Flower Mound Cemetery in Thomas, Oklahoma.

The family of Kathleen Burns Campbell wishes to thank the wonderful staff of Manor Park and Home Hospice of Midland for the excellent & compassionate care you gave our mom. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given to Home Hospice of Midland, the American Bible Society or the charity of one's choice.

Services entrusted to Ellis Funeral Home of Midland, TX.



Mary Goodrich

Mary Goodrich went to be with Jesus on March 12, 2014.

She was born February 7, 1928 in Bristow, Oklahoma, to Walter L. Kapelle and Ercie M. Johnson Kapelle. Later, the family moved from Bristow, Oklahoma to Longview, Texas. During her high school days, she served in many organizations and was head cheerleader, and voted Queen of the high school.

She then attended Kilgore Jr. College where she was a Rangerette. In 1948, she married her high school sweetheart, Bobby McGannon. God blessed them with two children, Linda Anne and Michael Joseph, both of Houston, Texas. Our family moved to Midland, Texas in 1955.

Throughout Mary's life, she loved children. Mary was a Girl Scout leader, roommother, member of Children's Service League for 17 years and served the League as Secretary, Bookkeeper and President. She still found time to attend her son Mike's Little League games.

Gifted by God with hospitality, she always greeted you with a smile and often a hug, loved to host parties for family and friends, and thoroughly enjoyed time with those she loved. She served the Lord and others through her church and volunteer service in school and other organizations. Most importantly, Mary loved her Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, and that was evident by the way she lived her life.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents, Walter and Ercie Kapelle; her sister, Teresa Bean and "Chuck" Bean of Kilgore, Texas. Her first husband, Robert J. McGannon, was killed in a plane crash on September 22, 1961. Her second husband, John S. Goodrich, passed away from health problems on October 26, 1996.

Mary is survived by her daughter, Linda McGannon Fields, and her son, Mike J. McGannon, both of Houston, Texas, along with three nieces from her sister, Teresa Bean, and many cousins, two grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on March 22, 2014 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Klentz, with Chaplain Felton Joseph presiding.

Mary's family asks that contributions be made in her memory to Resolutions Hospice, 14521 Old Katy Rd. #240, Houston, Texas 77079.

"The best thing I've done in this life is my faith in God-My becoming a Christian!!

"Belonging to First Baptist Midland and having two wonderful teachers - Gary Dver and Carl Trim. Served in the Prayer Room and in the Flower Ministry.

"I thoroughly enjoyed the Stephens Sunday School Class and all the jobs they gave me. Thank you members of the class for your friendship." - Mary

Death Notices

Jack M. Bell

Mr. Jack M. Bell, 85, passed away on Monday, March 17, 2014.

He is survived by daughter Kathy; son Keith; grandsons ; and other family members.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, March 21, 2014 at Corley Funeral Home Chapel in Corsicana, Texas. Burial followed at Resthaven Memorial Park.

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

OTHERDEATHS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

CYPRUS

Defense minister dies from brain hemorrhage

NICOSIA — Doctors said Cyprus' defense minister has died a day after suffering a brain hemorrhage.

Nicosia General Hospital Intensive Care Unit chief Theodoros Kyprianou told reporters that Tasos Mitsopoulos died Saturday despite efforts to save him.

Mitsopoulos was rushed to hospital Friday after colleagues reportedly found him unconscious in his office.

Mitsopoulos moved to the defense portfolio from the communications ministry just last week after a mini-reshuffle from President Nicos Anastasiades.

The 48-year-old Mitsopoulos studied law in Greece and was a member the Cypriot parliament from 2006 until 2013 when he joined the Cabinet.

Foreign Minister Ioannis Kasoulides praised Mitsopoulos as a man of steadfast integrity who never gave in to the temptations of power.

He's survived by his wife Katerina, a daughter and a son.

OREGON

Educator, wife of OSU president dies of cancer

CORVALLIS — A longtime educator and wife of Oregon State University President Edward Ray has died. Beth Ray was 67.

The Corvallis Gazette Times reports Ray, of Corvallis, died Friday after a long battle with lung cancer.

Ray was a former business law professor, an academic counselor and assistant dean of academic advising at Ohio State University. She arrived at OSU in 2003 when her husband was named OSU's 14th president.

In Corvallis, she was known for her volunteer work, including with the Good Samaritan Hospital Foundation board, the local symphony, and as a mentor to students at Oregon State.

The $14 million Student Success Center was renamed the Beth Ray Center for Academic Support in January as a tribute to her lifelong commitment to students.

A celebration of Ray's life is tentatively scheduled for June 2 on the Oregon State University campus.

NEW MEXICO

John Love, Bataan Death March survivor, dies at 91

ALBUQUERQUE — John E. Love, a Bataan Death March survivor who led a campaign to change the caption on a historic march photo from The Associated Press, has died. He was 91.

Love died Monday after a long battle with cancer, said Gerry Lightwine, pastor at La Vida Llena, an Albuquerque retirement home where Love lived.

As a 19-year-old member of the New Mexico Guard, Love was one of 75,000 Filipino and American soldiers who were taken captive by the Japanese in World War II when the U.S. forces surrendered in the province of Bataan and Corregidor Island in April 1942.

In all, tens of thousands of troops were forced to march to Japanese prison camps in what became known as the Bataan Death March. Many were denied food, water and medical care, and those who collapsed during the scorching journey through Philippine jungles were shot or bayoneted.

"I was one of the first 300 or 400 off the march to enter Camp O'Donnell, and they (prisoners) began dying that same day," Love told the Albuquerque Journal in a 2009 interview. He estimated he carried more than 1,000 bodies to the graveyard.

For the remainder of the war, Love was forced to work in a Japanese copper mine until being liberated in 1945.

After the war, he enrolled at the University of New Mexico and graduated in 1950. He worked at Conoco Inc. for 35 years and lived in El Paso, Fort Worth, Houston and Arlington with his wife, Laura Bernice Ellis, who died in 2000.

In 2009, Love joined a campaign with other survivors of the Bataan Death March to change the caption on one of the most famous photos in AP's library about the march. The photo, thought to be of the Bataan Death March, actually was an Allied POW burial detail.

SPRING FLING MARKET



Photos by Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Spring Fling Market continues until 4 p.m. today at the Horseshoe Arena. The multi-day celebration of shopping and shooting also featured a Girls' Night Out Preview Party, Ladies Luncheon and Children's Bunny Brunch.

The week continues with a clay shoot Friday at Jakes Clays, with flights starting at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

And Texas music and red dirt artist Stoney LaRue takes the stage Saturday at the Buckshot Bash from 6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at the Commemorative Air Force Hangar.





Top: Rosemary Jimenez and Lisa Jones look at items available Friday at the Junior League Shotguns and Stilettos celebration and Spring Fling Market.

Above: Some of the items for sale.

Left: Karan Cornett and Cathy Allen look at shirts.

Corpus Christi asked to help fund artificial reef

Associated Press

CORPUS CHRIST — Proponents of a plan to create an artificial reef by sinking a 155-foot freighter off the coast of Corpus Christi want to ask the City Council for a $100,000 contribution to help make it happen.

The Saltwater-fisheries Enhancement Association, a Corpus Christi-based nonprofit, asked the Council to add the proposal to its future agenda. The group has committed $100,000 toward the project.

Any contribution from the city would go toward the estimated $500,000 cost of buying the ship and preparing, towing and sinking it about nine miles offshore.

Mike Hurst, who chairs the group's offshore committee, told the Corpus Christi Caller-Times that the new reef could replace some habitat that was reduced when dozens of offshore oil and gas platforms were removed in recent years. The reefs and the sea life they attract draw fishermen and divers.

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is preparing a contract for public bid and collecting the necessary funds.

The ship, a coastal freighter, is waiting in a boat basin in Alabama. Plans call for it to be submerged so that its wheel house is within about 33 feet of the surface of the water.

TxDOT to start on State Highway 349 widening

From staff reports

Texas Department of Transportation will be widening 20 miles of State Highway 349 south of Midland, adding alternating passing lanes in an 18-month window.

The passing lanes will alternate every 2 miles for both northbound and southbound traffic, allowing drivers to pass through slower traffic.

Starting this week, construction will begin at the northern end in 2- to 3-mile segments. The project goes from County Road 140 to the Upton County line.

Speed limits will be dropped to 45 miles per hour. Flaggers will be present.

TxDOT urges drivers to seek alternate routes if possible.

Construction is expected to be complete in late summer of 2015. Jones Brothers Dirt & Paving Contractors Inc. won the job with a bid of a little more than $17 million.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Jose A. Delao, 33, of Midland, was charged Friday with theft between $1,500 and $20,000, false statement to obtain property or credit, fraudulent transfer of a motor vehicle, and fraudulent use or possession of identification information.

Joe E. Gonzalez, 39, of Midland, was charged Friday with assault on a family or household member with a previous conviction.

Tyler C. Kilgore, 25, of Midland, was charged Friday with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Joshua A. Kirby, 29, of Midland, was charged Friday with bench warrant and theft between $1,500 and $20,000.

Noel O. Mendoza, 27, of Midland, was charged Friday with violation of probation.

Jose M. Mora, 33, of Midland, was charged Friday with violation of parole.

Tucker W. Morris, 17, of Midland, was charged Friday with burglary of a habitation.

Christopher Rojo, 18, of Brownfield, was charged Friday with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and evading arrest or detention with a vehicle.

Marcus C. Valdez, 29, of Midland, was charged Friday with violation of parole.

Romero Villarreal Jr., 29, of Midland, was charged Friday with theft between $1,500 and $20,000.

Clinton E. Williams III, 22, of San Antonio, was charged Friday with tampering with or fabricating physical evidence.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

Crime Stoppers fugitive

ERIC DAWSON

DOB: 9-3-1980
Height and weight: 5 feet, 11 inches; 155 pounds
Charge: Count I aggravated kidnapping/Count II aggravated assault



- Wanted as of 3-21-2014
- Warrant #CR41253
- $250 Reward to the first person who calls Midland Crime Stoppers this week with information that leads to this fugitive's arrest.
- Call 694-TIPS or 1-800-7-LOCKUP, online at midlandcrimestoppers.com or text TIP247 plus your message to 274637
- As always you will remain anonymous
- NEVER attempt to apprehend this subject yourself. Subject may be armed or dangerous.

STATE BRIEF

FROM WIRE REPORTS

AUSTIN

Texas toll violators could have vehicles impounded

Texas law enforcement agencies are joining the effort to make toll-road scofflaws pay up.

The Texas Department of Transportation plans to partner with authorities to impound vehicles of those who have run up at least 100 toll violations within a year but continue to drive the tollways, the Austin American-Statesman reported.

A Williamson County constable's office in Round Rock is the only law enforcement agency so far to sign a contract with TxDOT. However, TxDOT will pursue contracts with other agencies, agency spokeswoman Veronica Beyer told the newspaper Friday.

"Not paying tolls is effectively stealing from the taxpayers of Texas," said James Bass, TxDOT interim executive director.

The plan needs final approval from the state Transportation Commission next week.

In Williamson County, deputy constables would be posted on Williamson County's two toll roads, Texas 45 and Texas 130, armed with the license plate numbers of frequent toll violators and the times when they usually violate, said Chief Deputy Robert Woodring of the Williamson County Precinct 1 Constable's Office.

Crime of the week

Midland Crime Stoppers and the Midland County Sheriff's Office are asking for information on recent oilfield thefts.

In the last month, several pulling units and equipment trailers have been burglarized across Midland County. The thieves are stealing the diesel fuel out of the pulling unit and then burglarizing the equipment trailers. One of the vehicles being used is a white late model Chevrolet half-ton pickup. Video, which can be seen at www.midlandcrimestoppers.com, shows the two suspects can with a dog. The thefts total more than $9,000.

If you are the first person to call with information leading to the arrests of these bottom of the barrel oil thieves, it will be worth a $1,000 cash reward. You will remain anonymous and no caller ID is ever used.

How to submit a secure tip

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

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Because we feel it is important that you know how and where your donations to Helping Hands are spent, here is what was done in the past week:

Electricity	9 families	$ 2,991.95
Water	2 families	$ 1,301.71
Rent	15 families	$20,212.67
Medical	2 families	$ 1,002.55
Home Repairs	1 family	$ 230.89
TOTAL		**$25,739.77**

Prom, football games, and Spring Break. That's what most 18 years think about, not mortgages, bills and where the next meal is coming from. Amy & Scott, due to some choices they made several years ago, found themselves brand new parents at 17 years of ages. They both graduated from high school and moved into Scott's mom's house where he took a job and Amy stayed home to care for their child. The plan was to save up enough money to get a place of their own and to continue both of their educations in hopes of getting a better job. They chose not to ask for government assistance but instead to work hard, to provide for themselves. Things were going along well until Amy's mom, due to choices she had made in the past, went to jail. She received a 5 year sentence leaving behind 7 children all under the age of 17 to fend for themselves.

Amy could have chosen to allow her siblings to be separated and to be placed into foster homes, but instead she and Scott chose to move in with them and care for her siblings in their mom's absence. What a brave choice! 18 years of age, parents of baby, barely making it financially and placing their future education plans on hold, they chose to step up and help their younger siblings. And help they did. For 5 months, Amy and Scott have paid the rent, the utilities and food bills. They have comforted the children and cared for all their needs. Several friends and parents of their school's sports team have all chosen to help as best they can. They have helped financially, with filing paperwork for temporary guardianship, with moral support , with food and so on.

Helping Hands only recently found out about this situation through a third party. We are so thankful they chose to let us know about this needy family. After meeting with Amy and one of the school moms, we helped pay for many months of rent and gave them lots of food. We also referred them to several different agencies in town that could help with food, diapers, formula and other necessities. There is hope that Amy's mom will be out sometime this year. In the meantime, we are so awed by Amy and Scott's choice to help her siblings, for the friends and parents who chose to help this family and for you for choosing to donate to us so we could choose to help them. The choices we make in life have the power to define us, to build up or tear down. Thank you for choosing to be a blessing in this family's life. God bless.

SHORTAGE

From 1B

from taxes, Meyers said.

"The rest of it comes from the business that we do — billing patients while providing care to them," he said, noting taxes mostly fund new equipment. "The tax revenue wouldn't pay a sixth of our payroll, much less our other costs."

To stay competitive, hospital staff and consulting firms annually assess salaries, which include 89 pay grades and 404 individual job titles, for both exempt and non-exempt workers, said Meyers, calling the process an "in-exact science."

"Within a pay range, people's experience and performance over time and certifications they've gained — all those impact how much they get paid," he said, noting salaries are also often adjusted with market-based increases. "We keep our pay competitive but not excessive."

Career ladders within some pay ranges recognize employees' efforts to advance themselves.

"As they become more experienced, more certified and better educated, we may layer on two or three more responsibilities and duties and bump them up a pay grade," Meyers said.

Trends in the data

Midland Memorial paid more than $31 million in fiscal year 2013 to hourly and salary staff who earned more than $80,000, according to the records. Here are additional salary trends for the people collecting $80,000:

- Base pay accounted for 80 percent of total wages, while extras such as overtime pay, differential pay, longevity pay and bonuses made up a fifth.
- Three-fourths of the 290 employees on the list earned overtime pay, which accounted for about 9 percent of the total paid wages. The average was $12,187.02.
- Differential pay, which rewards employees for professional advancement efforts and taking on night shifts, made up 4 percent of the total.
- About 61 percent of employees received longevity pay; the average was $3,771.24.
- Fewer than 20 employees received bonuses, which recognize performance in financial management, quality and patient satisfaction. The total accounted for 1.57 percent of total wages, with an average of $13,900.59 per bonus.
- Two-thirds of staff collected total wages of $100,000 or more.
- Employees working for the hospital for fewer than 10 years — a group that accounts for 37 percent of the top-paid workers — received the most overtime pay, differential pay and about a third of the wages — more than any other group.
- Registered nurses — including management positions — were the largest group of top-paid workers by job type with an annual salary of $99,434. Two-thirds of the nursing staff have worked there fewer than 20 years and 43 percent, fewer than 10 years.

For a fifth of registered nurses — about 130 out of 600 — the average total wages were six figures.

Snapshot: Registered nurses

Nearly 100 universities and colleges with nursing programs are listed in the latest edition of the "Health Opportunities in Texas" jobs manual — with at least a handful in the Midland-Odessa area.

The nearby programs provide a pool of potential hires for Midland Memorial but experienced registered nurses are hard to find, Meyers said.

"We're able to hire new ones and get them prepared to work," he said. "But experienced (nurses) — not so much."

That's partly because of lifestyle reasons, such as the high cost of living. Even a well-compensated worker can get more for their money in a Dallas housing market, Meyers said.

"Midland is a hard place to recruit to; it's remote," he said. "It's rarely because they tell us they are not being paid enough."

Nurses require a state license and at least an associate's degree, but Midland Memorial pay practices encourage more money for professional advancement.

Nurse certification is up at least 150 percent over the past two to three years, said Robert Dent, chief nursing officer and vice president of the hospital's patient care services.

"That's a huge improvement," he said. "That show's our staff's commitment to providing excellent care and services."

The hospital typically fills every slot for a four- to six-month nurse residency program that pays new hires to learn the nuances of working at the hospital.

"Health care has gotten so much more technologically sophisticated and challenging," Meyers said. "For the typical new nursing graduate — fresh out school — it's very difficult for them to go directly to work. There's technology to learn, specific to their job."

A nurse typically works three 12-hour shifts in a week, Meyers said. The Fair Labor Standards Act requires hospitals to pay time-and-a-half for any hours over 40 in a given week, depending the contract.

Midland Memorial typically budgets 5 percent of overtime for all positions.

"It's run closer to 6 percent in the recent past. When we're really busy, it gets even higher," Meyers said. "It's more than we would like."

Still, he said fatigue-management policies are in place to prevent burnout.

"As hours mount, your attention to detail can fade and it becomes a patient and staff safety issue," Meyers said. "It's a balance we try to strike."

At Thursday's hospital board meeting, the chief executive presented a cost analysis of using staff registered nurses versus hiring temporary "traveler" nurses for 13-week periods.

Using agency does make sense in rare cases, but Meyers said it's generally more expensive. The average base rate at $60 an hour is double the rate of a staff nurse, according to the analysis.

On the other hand, Dent said hiring and paying the salary of a full-time nurse to handle the peak season might not make sense if the volume goes back down.

A new initiative to anticipate staff needs during the hospital's peak season, which occurs during the fall and winter months, might help defray the costs of hiring agency workers, Meyers said.

"All other things considered, if we can get four more hours out of a nurse that knows that unit and knows the patients, that's a better decision than hiring someone who doesn't know anything about the hospital," he said.

Editor's note

Today is the third in a series of reports about the high cost of paying those working in local government.

The series will look at Midland College, Midland County, the hospital district, city of Midland and Midland Independent School District.

In obtaining records showing annual salaries and payments of $80,000 or more to those working in those taxing entities, the questions we asked included:

- What effect does Midland's booming population have on how much we must pay?
- How much are entities impacted by overtime issues or to those teachers forced to teach extra classes?
- How does what Midland entities pay compare to other communities?
- What is the norm when it comes to pay structure?

This series is not meant to show people are being paid too much or too little. We will present the numbers; you decide what a skilled workforce in local government should be paid.

An online element to this series is a list of those making a taxpayer-funded salary or receiving annual payments of $80,000 or more in those entities. You can find that list at mrt.com.

The Monday payment information received is based on fiscal years 2012-13 and 2013-14. And the Reporter-Telegram wants to thank the taxing entities for their cooperation in providing us the information you see in this series.

The information we received is public information and is no different than what you can see at a variety of newsites around the state.

HEALTHBRIEF

BY RACHAEL GLEASON

Uninsured undividuals and families have one more week to purchase plans in the federal health care marketplace until enrollment closes March 31.

The Oct. 1 rollout was one of the first significant tests of the Affordable Care Act, with healthcare.gov glitches initially causing delays. But the United States Department of Health & Human Services reports 5 million people have signed up so far.

By Jan. 1, everyone must have "minimum essential coverage" under an employer, individual or government plan or face annual penalties that increase each year until 2016, according to the Texas Association of Health Underwriters.

The federal marketplace is one option for Texans. It offers "Qualified Health Plans" that fall in line with metallic coverage levels — bronze, silver, gold and platinum — that match percentage of costs covered, according to healthcare.gov.

Bronze plans come with lower premiums and higher out-of pocket costs, while platinum plans offer the highest monthly premiums and lower out-of-pocket costs.

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas offers some of those plans, which are available to Texans in all 254 counties, said Dan McCoy, vice president chief medical officer.

"Our goal was to create affordable opportunities for everyone in Texas," McCoy said.

A fourth of Texans lack health insurance, said Dick Snyder, a local health care navigator for Project Amistad.

"Anything we can do to help with that number, the better," Synder said. "We can't pick a plan. We're not here promoting insurance. It's not socialized medicine; it's private insurance."

But the Affordable Care Act is still drawing criticism from lawmakers, health care underwriters and policy organizations.

The National Center for Policy Analysis, a Dallas-based thinkdank, reported several unintended consequences of the law, including increasing prices, disruptive subsidies and overproviding to the healthy and underproviding to the sick.

"A weakly enforced individual mandate will give people perverse incentives to game the system -- remaining uninsured while healthy and obtaining insurance only after they get sick; choosing limited-benefit plans while healthy and scaling up to richer plans after they get sick," said NCPA President John Goodman in 2010.

Health care resources

- Health care reform and the Texas Health Insurance Marketplace Official federal website: www.HealthCare.gov
  Spanish version: www.cuidadodesalud.gov
- Internal Revenue Service health care tips: irs.gov/aca.
- The Kaiser Family Foundation Health reform: www.kff.org/health-reform
  Subsidy calculator: www.kff.org/interactive/subsidy-calculator
- West Texas Association of Health Underwriters www.wtahu.com
- UnitedHealthcare's 'United for Reform Resource Center www.uhc.com/united_for_reform_resource_center.htm
- National Business Coalition on Health www.nbch.org/Health-Care-Reform-Resources
- Blue Cross, Blue Shield of Texas: www.bcbstx.com
- Consumer Reports Health Law Helper: www.healthlawhelper.org
  Health reform: www.consumerreports.org/cro/2012/06/update-on-health-care-reform/index.htm
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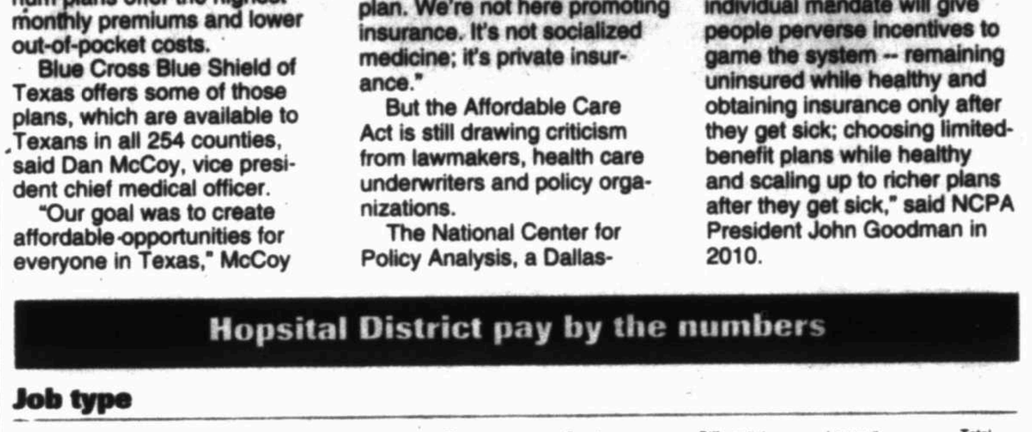
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Directors	31	3,424,827.08	14,020.66	10,943.31	141,246.15	3,858,647.83
Managers	43	3,859,213.24	421,032.36	134,807.83	184,893.91	4,599,947.34
Pharmacy	17	2,158,663.66	133,166.32	67,456.84	77,701.56	2,475,981.61
Registered nurses	128	9,758,474.16	1,757,139.26	804,180.73	368,679.58	12,727,803.68

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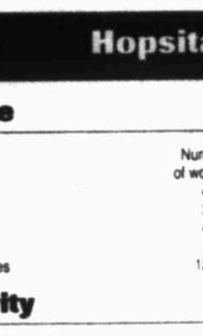
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0-4 years	46	$4,149,335.33	$494,910.03	$267,448.28	$5,295.55	$5,025,179.42
5-9 years	61	$5,185,317.14	$709,262.96	$316,919.01	$15,000.46	$6,448,730.53
10-19 years	86	$8,813,979.51	$809,466.25	$395,534.77	$306,083.35	$9,368,141.57
10-14 years	47	$5,494,084.79	$507,180.86	$227,699.53	$153,382.87	$5,401,470.86
15-19 years	39	$3,319,894.72	$302,285.39	$167,834.94	$152,720.48	$3,986,670.71
20-29 years	73	$6,183,991.26	$657,050.60	$229,615.12	$540,162.19	$7,672,189.89
30-39 years	22	$1,870,240.17	$159,648.35	$71,346.19	$213,190.09	$2,339,081.74
40-49 years	1	$94,415.50	$2,959.31	$47.12	$6,102.81	$103,524.74
50-59 years	1	$71,246.26	$3,261.33	$903.59	$7,724.46	$83,136.64

Source: Salary information obtained by an open records request

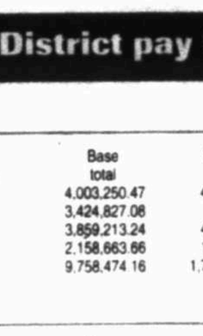


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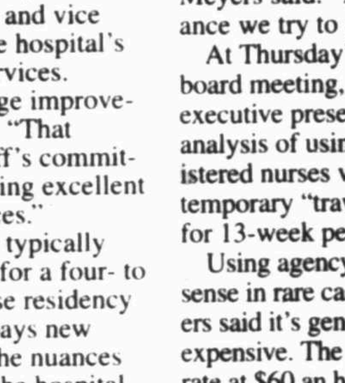
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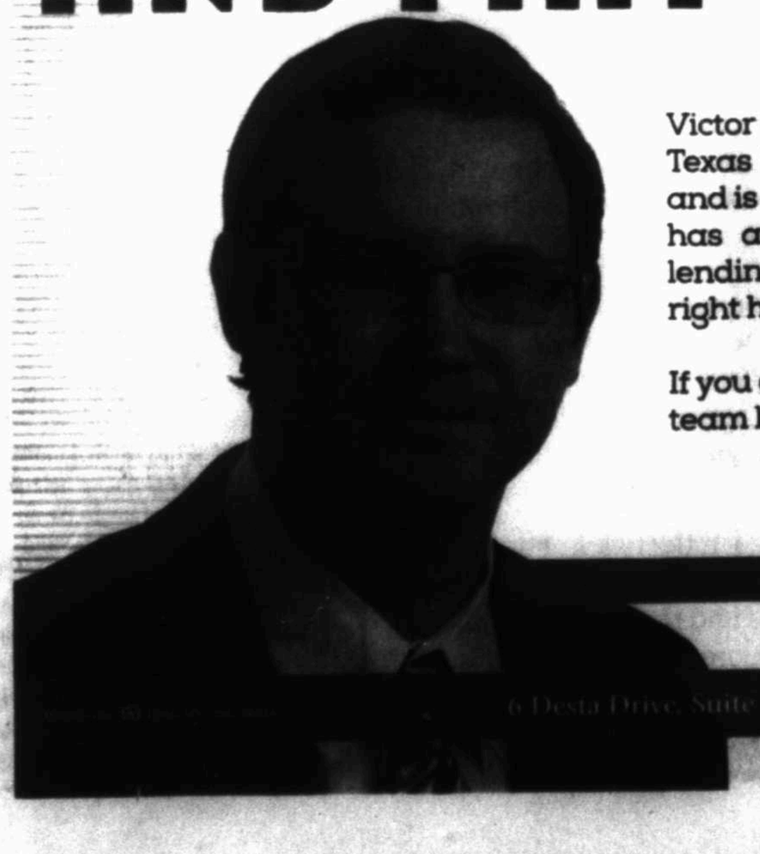


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Bush is GOP's lone Hispanic candidate statewide

By Juan Carlos Llorca and Will Weissert
Associated Press

EL PASO — At a Mexican restaurant a stone's throw from the Mexican border, the crowd is bilingual and so is the candidate they've come to see.

"We will go out there and fight the good fight por todas partes," George P. Bush promises, meaning campaigning across all the state.

Even as Texas Republicans insist they've never been more committed to courting the state's booming Hispanic population, they can claim just one Hispanic candidate for statewide office — and he's a Bush, more famous for sharing a name with two former presidents than for having a mother originally from Mexico.

In fact, Bush, the photogenic nominee for land commissioner, stands out on a Republican statewide slate that otherwise consists of all white men. And many of those candidates have run as hard as they can to the right during the primary, talking of militarizing the Texas-Mexico border, scrapping a popular law offering lower tuition for immigrant children and even decrying an "illegal invasion" of immigrants.

Such sentiments may alienate Hispanics amid a demographic shift that could eventually transform politics in fiercely conservative Texas the way similar trends have in Colorado, Nevada and many points beyond. Hispanics account for nearly 40 percent of Texas' population and is forecast to be a majority around 2030.

Bush says having Hispanics on the ballot isn't as important as better reaching out to Hispanic communities, pushing fiscally and socially conservative values that appeal to families, many with deep Roman Catholic beliefs.

"We gotta tactically show up in the neighborhoods, in the barrio," he told The Associated Press. "We haven't done that as much as we should."

That helped prompt Bush's visit to Julio's Cafe Corona in traditionally Democratic leaning El Paso, and he has made more than a dozen stops along Texas' nearly 1,300-mile border with Mexico — even though he's the overwhelming favorite to win his first public office in November.

Bush has promised to use his post, which oversees the state's publicly held lands and mineral rights, to better communicate with Mexico on trade issues, while also urging Hispanics to register to vote in greater numbers.

His grandfather, George H.W. Bush, was president, and his uncle, George W. Bush, was Texas governor before leaving for the White House, while his father Jeb was governor of Florida. With such a pedigree, it's been easy for some to overlook George P.'s mother's Mexican roots .

"Why is he Hispanic?" asked Lozano, who was among the well-to-do crowd at Julio's. After hearing the explanation, Lozano agreed her party definitely should be doing more to appeal to minorities.

"Knowing the Mexican culture," Lozano said, "I can say that the way they think is that if there are more Republican candidates, they'll feel more inclined to join."

And it's not just Texas. The Republican National Committee last October directed seven state parties, including Texas, to hire Hispanic state and field directors. David Zapata, the Texas GOP's first Hispanic engagement director, said he's hired seven field directors to further boost outreach since last summer alone.

"Just because the Hispanic population is growing doesn't mean that either party's going to benefit automatically," Zapata said. "Both parties are going to have to work for it."

A Gallop poll released last month found that 27 percent of Texas Hispanics identify with the GOP, 6 percentage points higher than elsewhere in the country. But that's still down from the 2004, when exit polling showed George W. Bush won 49 percent of the state's Hispanic vote, and 2008, when John McCain won 35 percent.

Texas Democratic Party Chairman Gilberto Hinojosa agreed that simply recruiting more Hispanic candidates isn't enough for either party to solidify Hispanic support. But he said that what really motivates many Hispanic voters are matters such as public education, health care and humane immigration reform.

"On those issues," Hinojosa said, "the Republicans are way, way, way on the other side."

He noted that Greg Abbott, Texas' attorney general and the GOP nominee for governor, referenced "third-world countries" while describing a rash of corruption cases in the Rio Grande Valley border region.

Then there's tea party-backed state Sen. Dan Patrick of Houston, the favorite to win a May Republican primary runoff and unseat Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst. In a television ad, Patrick decried the "invasion" of immigrants coming across the Texas border — drawing criticism from both parties.

Abbott has made 14 campaign trips to the border and frequently notes that his wife Cecilia would be the first Hispanic first lady of Texas.

"I think, once the primary is over, we as a team will be working together to enlarge the party," Abbott said, "understanding that we're fighting for election victories this November but also fighting for the next few generations of Texas."



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One man was transported to Midland Memorial Hospital after a two-vehicle accident on eastbound State Highway 191 near the Farm-to-Market Road 1788 exit Saturday

MPD: Man transported to MMH after crash on 191

From staff reports

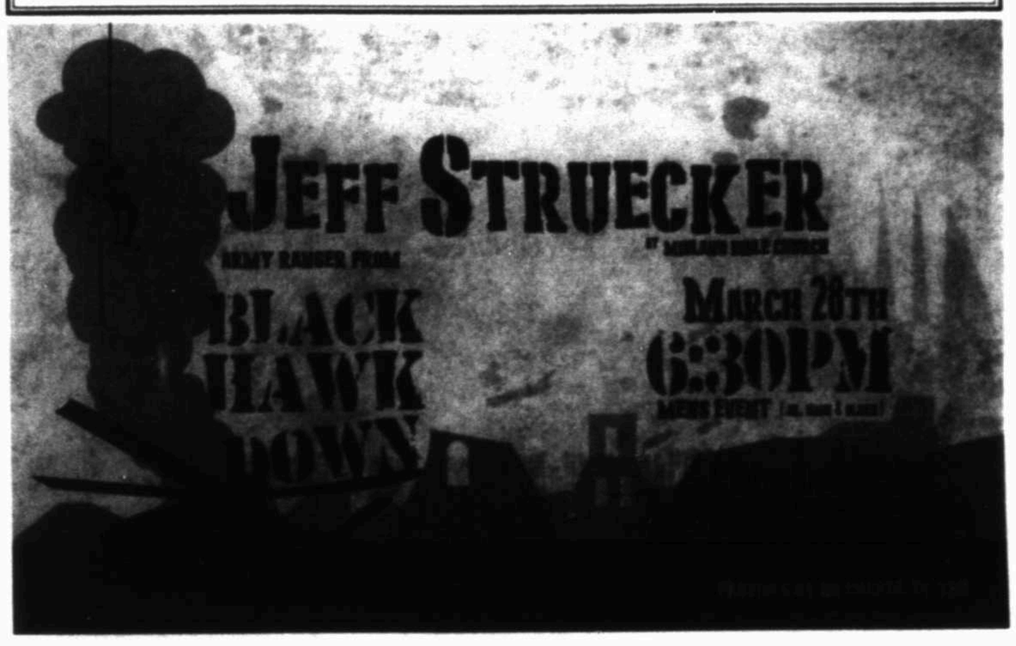
A man was transported with minor injuries to Midland Memorial Hospital following a two-vehicle crash on State Highway 191.

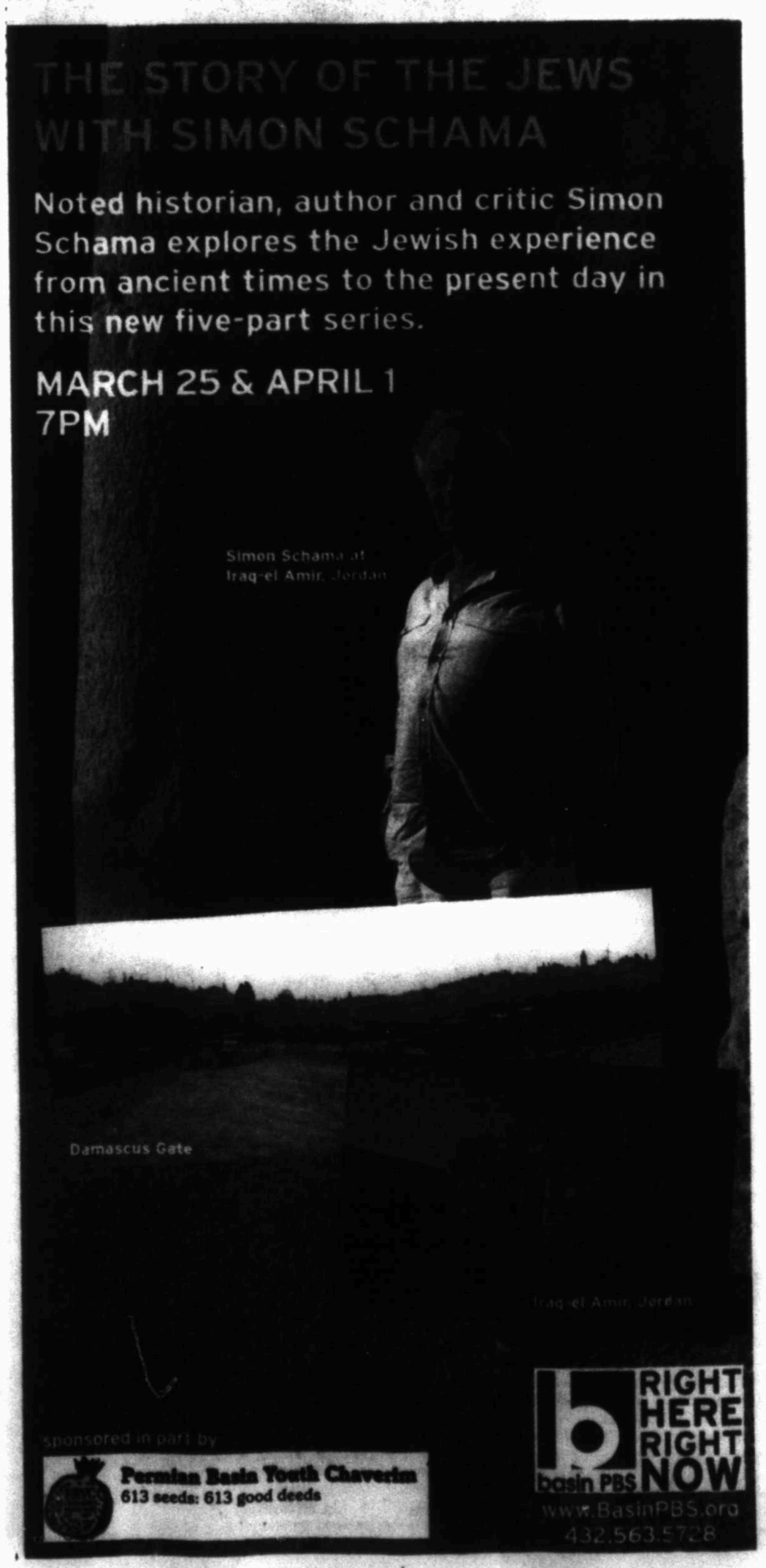
Emergency personnel responded at about 3:25 p.m. Saturday to SH 191 just west of the exit for Farm-to-Market Road 1788.

The two vehicles involved, an SUV and a sedan, were both moving eastbound when the SUV struck the sedan in the rear. The sedan driver was injured in the crash, according to an officer at the scene.

The officer said no citations have been issued pending an ongoing investigation.

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Disabled firefighter defies the odds despite injury

By St. John Barned-Smith
Houston Chronicle



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Capt. Bill Dowling gives a kiss to his friend's 3-month-old son Ryan Rainville on Mar. 14 in Tomball. Dowling receives friends and colleagues to this home in Tomball everyday. Dowling suffered serious brain injuries and lost both his legs after fighting a massive motel fire on May 31, 2013. He was this year's grand marshal for the 55th annual St. Patrick's parade saluting Houston's first responders.

HOUSTON — Before the burning southwest Houston hotel's roof collapsed on him, Houston Fire Department Capt. Bill Dowling and his wife talked nearly nonstop.

"We were big talkers on the phone 15 to 20 times a day. It was absurd the amount of time we talked on the phone," Jacki Dowling told the Houston Chronicle.

They chatted about their three kids, their faith, their finances. They planned trips together. They hadn't kept secrets from each other since meeting at a party in 1992.

Their world went silent after Dowling raced into a five-alarm fire that consumed an Indian restaurant and motel May 31, killing four Houston firefighters and injuring more than a dozen others.

Burning debris crushed and all but incinerated Dowling's once-powerful legs. While trapped in the blaze, he stayed so calm his fellow firefighters nicknamed him "Iron Bill." He even radioed, "I'm burning," while waiting for the rescuers to pluck him from the flames, his brother said.

He was conscious — and talking — on the way to the hospital, his brother John Dowling said.

At Hermann Memorial Hospital, doctors began whittling away at his legs, removing necrotic tissue that had been crushed and burned. Doctors said Dowling still might die and that, even if he survived, he'd likely be comatose.

John Dowling remembers the night after the accident when his brother's blood pressure sank to almost nothing, when doctors told relatives to prepare themselves for his heart to stop beating.

Jacki Dowling sat with her husband first, that night, in the ICU. The room sweltered from the heat lamp regulating his body temperature.

Eventually John Dowling took over. "It was pretty miserable," he recalled.

He kept waiting for Dowling's heart to give out, for the chaos of nurses and doctors trying to save his older brother.

Nothing happened, and finally, in all the stress of the day, he fell asleep. Hours later, he woke up, to find his brother still alive. He sent his sister-in-law a text that said: "Bill will have surgery at 0900 hours. He is still doing good. We read the Bible and prayed together. Today we celebrate the victory over hell and death, for today is Sunday!"

"That was a good day," John Dowling said. "Everyone was happy."

Hard days followed. There was the day they thought Bill might lose his kidneys and need a transplant or dialysis for the rest of his life. Or the day they thought he'd have to have his hip amputated. They avoided those catastrophes, but after a few weeks in the hospital, Dowling stopped waking up after his surgeries, and doctors realized his brain had been damaged.

"It was like a bomb going off," said John Dowling, who, like his brother, has a cap of short brown hair and deep-set blue eyes.

Dowling lost so much weight through the ordeal, dropping down to 80 pounds, that he looked like their grandfather before he died of lung cancer in 2011, his brother said.

"We cried and prayed," John Dowling said. They told God, they would accept it if Dowling died, but they wanted him to live.

With time, he woke up. Six months after the fire, he headed home. He couldn't talk. He couldn't hug his two sons, Forrest and Foster, or his daughter, Faith. He couldn't tell his wife he loved her, or how he was suffering.

"We've had to find other ways to communicate," she said. He uses his eyebrows, or ears or one of his arms now. With effort, he can utter a few one- or two-word answers.

It's been a communal battle ever since to help him rediscover his voice and regain control of his body.

At his home one day earlier this month, there were more than a dozen people — and Rainey, the family's brown and black Shih Tzu mix — celebrating his 41st birthday. Dowling sat in a red wheelchair, dressed in gray athletic shorts and a navy-blue fire department T-shirt. Bandages covered both his legs, one of which has still not fully healed nearly 10 months after the disaster. His hands clenched like knots, but occasionally he raised and opened them in response to a question, or gestured to one of the people sitting in the living room of his family's Tomball home.

Courtney Rainville, a family friend, placed her infant son Ryan on Dowling's slim chest.

"Can you hold his back?" someone asked, and after a slow pause, with effort, Dowling wrapped his arms around the baby, puckering his lips to kiss his cheek.

It's taken months of therapy to accomplish tasks like this simple embrace. The goals are basic: Unfurling a hand, stretching an arm, raising an eyebrow in response to a question, sitting up on his own, bench pressing a 6-pound barbell and stretching his compressed muscles to restore their former flexibility.

Much of his time is spent on a low bed with a red mattress in his therapy room. Memorabilia hangs on the walls nearby — a HFD soccer scarf, a speed limit sign. In the corner is the blackened helmet he wore the day of the fire, its visor cracked and melted from the heat of the inferno. On the opposite wall, a whiteboard with his daily workouts reads: "I can do all things through Christ Jesus who strengthens me!"

He has already come miles from where he was, his family said.

"Every time we go somewhere, they say 'He's probably not going to be able to do that ... and we go, 'OK, game on,' and we go and conquer that," Jacki Dowling said.

Such was the case the day after his birthday when, under a wet, gray sky, Jacki Dowling and a parade organizer eased him out of his wheelchair and into a vintage red Ford Mustang convertible at Houston's St. Patrick's Parade near Minute Maid Park in downtown.

It was one of the few times Dowling has been out in public since the fire. The family attended numerous fundraisers, but for the most part, Dowling's never been healthy enough to attend.

"It's good to see him get out, to let him bask in ... it," his brother said.

Pat Duane, the chairman of the parade commission, said Dowling was selected as grand marshal to honor his fallen comrades' lives as well as the sacrifices that he had made. "We wanted to highlight what firefighters do every day," Duane said. "We're greatly pleased he felt even healthy enough to come."

The Dowlings said their friends and faith in God have helped sustain their family. Friends help daily with therapy, and two nurses watch him in 12-hour shifts.

Since coming home, he's bulked up to about 100 pounds.

"He used to be a bag of skin and bones. Now, you can see some muscle tone in his arms. It's awesome," Jacki Dowling said. "You see improvement every day, physically and mentally."

WILLIAMSON

From 1B

taxes. A small car might cost $70,000 or more. So, he said, they buy motorcycles. Saigon alone has 5.6 million motorcycles registered, and no telling how many unregistered in a city of 11 million, making it the No. 1 city in the world for motorcycles on basis of population.

Then reality hit me square in the face on our visit to Reunification Hall, the historical structure that was formerly the Presidential Palace of the Republic of South Vietnam.

I stood at the very gate where on April 30, 1975, a North Vietnamese Army tank busted through on the way to capture the president of South Vietnam, officially ending the war.

If you raise your eyes and turn slightly to your left from this historic gate, you will see the hammer and sickle emblem along with the national communist symbol of the yellow star on the palace walls.

It was a stark reminder once again that America was a loser in this war. If you cast your eyes just to your right, you will see the very tank that crashed through the final barrier to victory.

I couldn't help but feel a bit despondent when I saw these images. I thought of all those brothers in arms that gave their lives, their time and their unflinching service only to see these images before my very eyes. It was heart-wrenching.

After the final takeover, it is estimated that 1 million to 2.5 million South Vietnamese were sent to reeducation camps, with an estimated 165,000 prisoners dying. Between 100,000 and 200,000 South Vietnamese were executed. R.J. Rummel, an analyst of political killings, estimated that about 50,000 South Vietnamese deported to "New Economic Zones" died performing hard labor, out of the 1 million that were sent.

Anywhere from 200,000 to 400,000 Vietnamese boat people died at sea, according to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. Also, more than 58,000 Americans gave their lives for this cause. Fortunately, that wasn't the end of my day in Vietnam. My guide was good to point out the rest of the story. He says Vietnam is for sure under communist control. He says you can't advance in politics without being a member of the party, but the reality of living in Vietnam is far different.

Vietnam went through a hard line communist stance for a decade after the war, but economic conditions worsened. In 1985, there was a liberalization of the communist stance toward free trade and the country now is beginning to come out of the dark ages and take part in international business movements.

In fact, America and Vietnam have economic ties that seem to be strengthening as time goes by. Our guide pointed out that you are judged by the party for your political acts, but you are now judged solely by your success in business ventures without need of being party affiliated.

The rest of the day we continued to see this free market operate by visiting several business enterprises, including meeting up with a myriad of street vendors that sold everything from pirated movie CD's to knock-off Polo shirts. There were also legitimate businesses ranging from banking to inlaid lacquer plating operations.

The wife, too, suffered during my year's absence. She says being there gave her some closure into what it was like while I was gone. I was glad for her to be with me on this return trip. I didn't feel so alone this time around.

On the way back to the ship, we returned through the farming belt. It left me wondering when all these changes would reach these people. The last 500 years through war and famine certainly hasn't nudged them forward or backward.

So for the people I knew in the back country of Vietnam, neither the principles of democracy nor the takeover of communism seemed to make a dent in their lifestyle. I wonder if it will remain the same in the next 500 years.

I still struggle with that war. It left an imprint on my life for sure. Not even a return visit solved all those questions I have or smoothed out all the feelings I feel, but life seems to find a way to go on under any circumstance.

Life goes on in Vietnam much as it always has. And so, I guess, my life will go on much like it always has since I first set foot in Vietnam.

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NICHOLAS

From 1B

station the most, running as fast as her little legs would carry her up to the top. I loved seeing their faces when they realized how high up they were and how far they could see.

The total trail is about 3 miles, so long enough for a toddler and her out-of-shape mom. I even jogged part of it. Now, that was after my husband said, "First person to the car gets a cake pop at Starbucks!" But still, I think it counts. I only had to knock Little Son out of the way once.

I fully intend to volunteer there with the kids doing trash collection. I want them to develop a love of the outdoors and to see the beauty in living things. I also want to cultivate in them a sense of gratefulness and responsibility for the world we live in.

And in the words of Allison Peeler, my favorite bird watcher/camper/hiker/photographer/fly fisher/woman/mom and vice president of the preserve, "it's important to just get outside!"

My mom tips: bring water, sacks and wipes. Just don't leave your trash there. There was a restroom along the trail but with the kids it seemed like forever before we go to it, so potty before you come. Only service dogs are allowed and no bikes or ride-ons.

For more information about the preserve, visit them online at www.i20wildlifepreserve.org. Entrance is free.

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Runoffs put incumbents on the brink

By Ross Ramsey
Texas Tribune

■ ANALYSIS

It is way too early to write the political obituaries of David Dewhurst, Patricia Hardy, Ralph Hall, Bob Deuell and Stefani Carter. As far as anyone knows today, they will still be, respectively, the lieutenant governor, a State Board of Education member, a congressman, a state senator and a state representative at this time next year.

But it is safe, in each case, to ask this question: Is landing in a runoff ever a good sign for an incumbent seeking re-election?

"It's a dangerous place to be, because primaries involving incumbents tend to be viewed as referendums on those incumbents," said Eric Bearse, a Republican who is consulting candidates in a couple of runoffs, but none involving an incumbent. "If you don't get to 50 percent, there is a natural coalition that can be built against you."

That said, the incumbents have more than two months to recover. Primary runoffs used to follow elections by about five weeks. Starting in 2012, that gap was stretched to 12 weeks — enough time, Bearse said, for a candidate to get up, dust off and start over.

"All of the focus in the first round has been on the alleged flaws of the incumbent," he said. "Now there is a chance for the incumbent to educate the voters on the flaws of the challenger."

This year's incumbent runoffs are all on Republican ballots. A handful of state races on the Democratic side are underway, but they are for seats either left open by an incumbent's earlier loss or by an incumbent's decision not to run for re-election.

"Obviously, this is a headache that we would have if we had more incumbents," said James Aldrete, a Democratic consultant. "But it's not our headache."

One House race on the Democratic ballot features a former state representative, Norma Chávez of El Paso, against political newcomer Cesar Blanco, who finished well ahead on March 4. The loser was Naomi Gonzalez, who became a state representative two years ago by defeating Chávez — in a runoff. That became a referendum on the incumbent, and Chávez is now trying to win her way back to Austin.

The Republicans stuck in runoffs are there for different reasons, Aldrete said.

"They're typically not being challenged by the next generation that just wants to move up — these are challenges from different factions within their party," he said. "If the establishment guy is being challenged by a Tea Party candidate, that incumbent is in trouble."

That describes Dewhurst, the state's lieutenant governor since 2003. He finished second in his race for re-election and now faces state Sen. Dan Patrick, who finished first. Dewhurst would have to collect seven of every 10 votes that went to the third- and fourth-place finishers in order to defeat Patrick in the May 27 runoff. This isn't the first time those voters have chosen another candidate over the lieutenant governor: After finishing first in the 2012 Republican primary for U.S. Senate, Dewhurst lost the runoff to Ted Cruz.

Hall, the dean of the Texas delegation to Congress, is still on the primary ballot for a different reason. The Rockwall Republican has been in Congress since 1981. He's the oldest member of the U.S. House. And he has a problem familiar to longtime incumbents: A new generation is ready to serve.

Challenger John Ratcliffe made it into the runoff with the incumbent, though he trailed by more than 16 percentage points. Even if he loses this time, he'll be positioned well for a race in two years; Hall has said that this will be the last time he runs.

In Carter's case, the runoff is at least partly the fault of the incumbent. The Dallas Republican announced last year that she would not seek re-election, but would instead run for a spot on the Texas Railroad Commission. She changed her mind and got back into the House race, but found herself in a four-way race with three others who jumped at what they thought was an open seat. Carter will face former Dallas City Councilwoman Linda Koop in a runoff she might have avoided. The third-place finisher, Sam Brown, endorsed Koop.

And Hardy, an incumbent Republican on the State Board of Education, finds herself in a runoff with Eric Mahroum after coming within 0.4 percentage points of winning outright in the first round.

Top-of-the-ballot races get a lot of attention, but other races are a little sketchier; voters might have strong feelings about a race for governor but weaker impressions about candidates further down the ballot. If there is some solace for incumbents who are limping into the runoffs, it might be the calendar.

"It takes about three weeks for voters to forget who they voted for in some of these races," Bearse said. "Now we're talking 12 weeks."

Barge leaks oil into Galveston Bay after collision

By Christopher Sherman
Associated Press

McALLEN — A barge carrying 924,000 gallons of thick, tarry fuel oil collided Saturday with another ship in the Houston ship channel and was leaking oil, officials said.

The U.S. Coast Guard said in a statement Saturday that it received a call at about 12:30 p.m. from the captain of the 585-foot ship Summer Wind reporting its collision with a barge.

The barge was being towed from Texas City to Bolivar at the time. Kirby Inland Marine, owner of the tow vessel Miss Susan and the barge, is working with the Coast Guard and Texas General Land Office at the scene, according to the Coast Guard. The Coast Guard did not give an estimate of how much oil had leaked into Galveston Bay.

A sheen of oil was being reported on the water, but it was unknown how much oil had leaked, the statement said. Six crew members of the tow vessel are in stable condition.

Jim Suydam, spokesman for the General Land Office, described the type of oil the barge was carrying as "sticky, gooey, thick, tarry stuff."

"That stuff is terrible to have to clean up," he said.

Mild weather and calm water seemed to be helping efforts. He said about every private cleanup outfit in the area was out there under the coordination of the Coast Guard and General Land Office.

Texas City Homeland Security director Bruce Clawson told The Daily News in Galveston that the barge sank and that there is no danger to the community. Suydam said he could not confirm whether the barge sank.

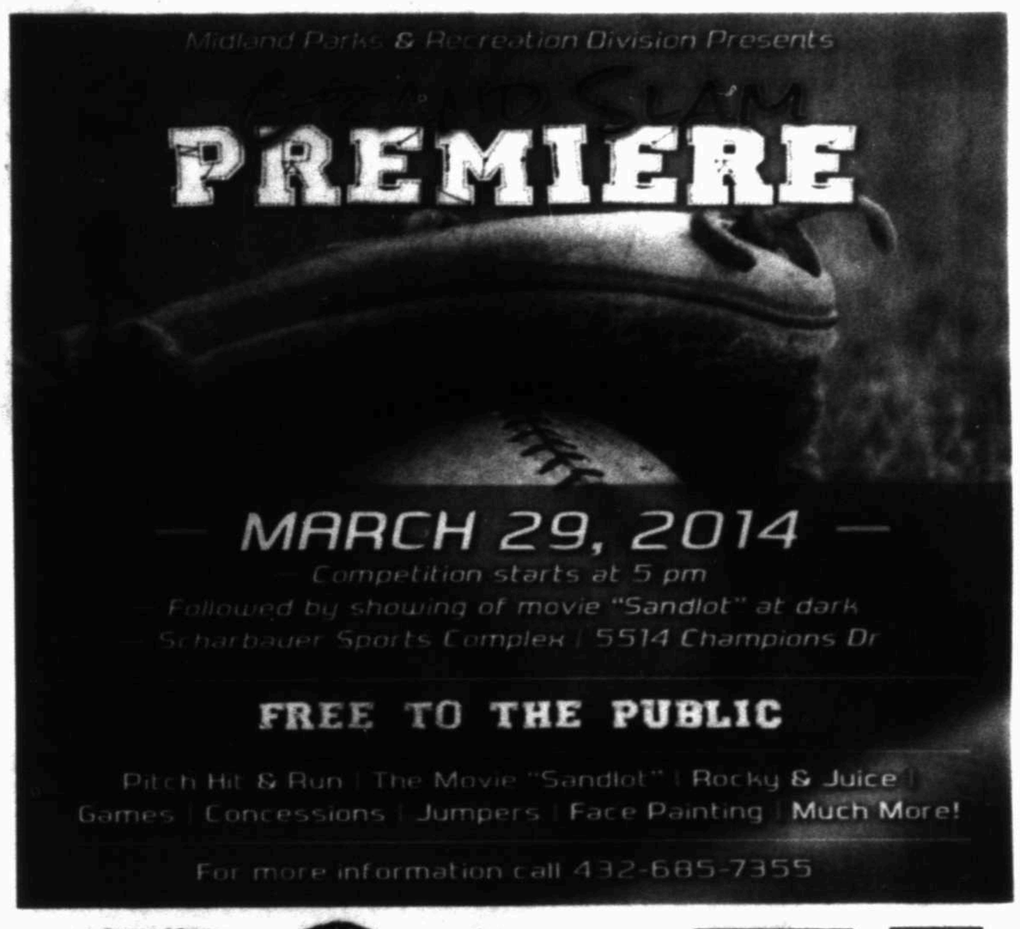
A segment of the Houston ship channel was closed to traffic, the Coast Guard said. Texas City is about 40 miles southeast of downtown Houston.

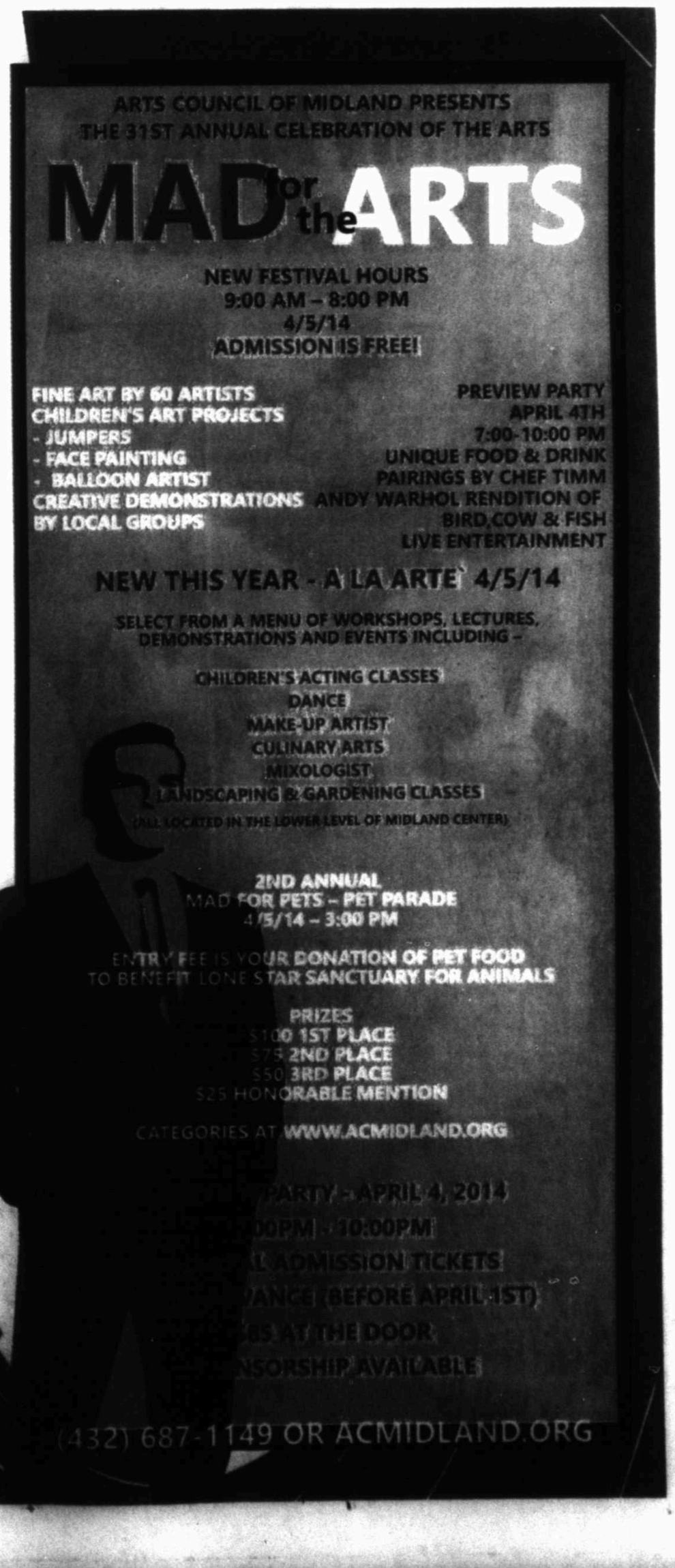
Tara Kilgore, an operations coordinator with Kirby Inland Marine, declined to comment Saturday when reached by The Associated Press.

Monday marks the 25th anniversary of the Exxon Valdez spill off the coast of Alaska. Suydam said that spill spurred the creation of the General Land Office's Oil Spill and Prevention Division, which is funded by a tax on imported oil that the state legislature passed after the Valdez spill.

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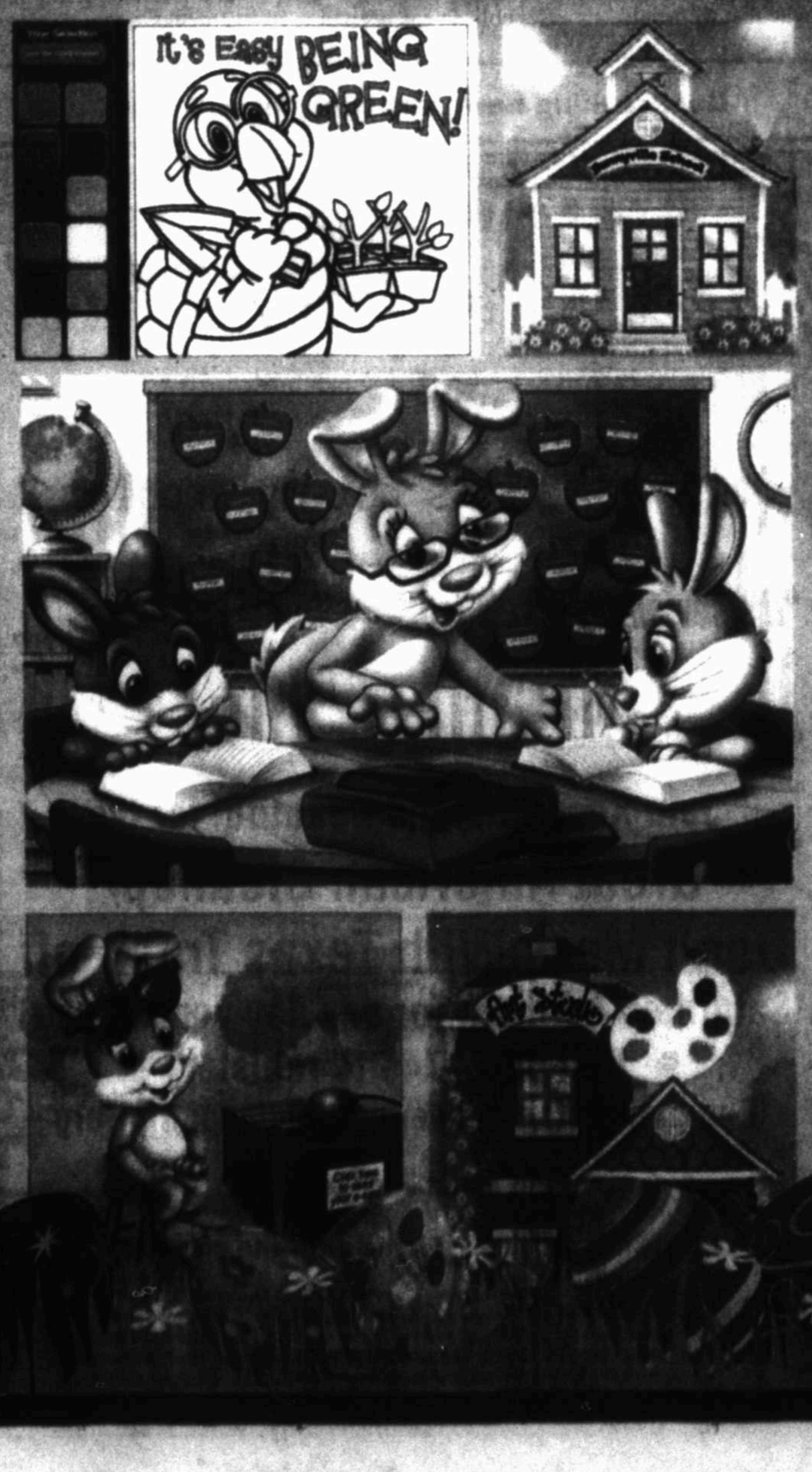
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Midland High routs Tascosa behind 7-run first inning

By Len Hayward
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Bulldogs	7
Rebels	0

The Midland High baseball freight train was slowed down for 6 1/3 innings on Saturday afternoon.

But it was that two-thirds of an inning that was all the Bulldogs needed to beat Amarillo Tascosa, 7-0, on Saturday at Zachery Field.

The Bulldogs scored seven runs in the first inning as Rebel starting pitcher Tucker Davidson walked five in that inning, only recording one out, and red-hot Austen Wade's three-run double with two outs in the inning broke the game open.

Midland High didn't muster another run against reliever Raymond Salazar, who pitched the final 6 2/3 innings for Tascosa, but Bulldog pitcher Lance White was just as masterful on the mound allowing three hits in seven innings.

"It was awesome, and that always helps having some runs, especially seven in the first inning," said White, who also had an RBI single in the big first inning. "We really thought it was going to be a close game going into it. (Davidson) struggled on the mound with his control and we took advantage of it."


White


Wade

Midland High improved to 7-0 in District 2-5A play and 13-6 overall, and will finish the second half with a showdown against second-place Abilene High on Tuesday at Zachery Field.

Saturday afternoon, coach Barry Russell and the rest of his squad were also expecting a tight game against the Rebels. But Davidson, a Texas Tech signee, never found a rhythm in the opening inning.

He hit leadoff hitter Wade to open the game, and the flood gates opened. Ethan Barker walked and both runners moved up one base on a passed ball, and then White hit his RBI single to score Wade.

After White's single, Braden Rushton, Travis Wilbanks, Browning Houser and Braden Scrivner all drew consecutive walks with Wilbanks' and Scrivner's bringing in runs and MHS had a 4-0 lead.

Salazar then replaced Davidson and promptly got Kohl Fritschen to fly out, but then Wade slapped a double down the left-field line to score three for a 7-0 lead. Wade is 8-of-9 the last three games, including going 2-for-2 on Saturday.

Davidson threw 42 pitches in 1/3 of an inning pitched, issuing five walks and giving up seven earned runs.

"We had talked to the kids about his curve ball sometimes being down and he gets you to

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Doing battle


James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Darius Strambler (center) celebrates with teammates after scoring a goal against Midland High on Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium. His goal sent the Rebels to a 1-0 victory over the Bulldogs.

Strambler's goal sends Rebels past Bulldogs

By Justin Oaks
MRT Correspondent

Rebels	1
Bulldogs	0

The Lee and Midland High boys soccer teams put the finishing touches on the season Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium with a physical grudge match that ended with a 1-0 Rebel victory.

The game was scoreless until the 78th minute when Darius Strambler, the Rebels' leading scorer, knocked in the game-winner.

"I thought this was my chance," Strambler said. "I looked down, took one last look at the goal, and knocked it in."

Midland High will finish second in District 2-5A and will take on El Paso El Dorado at a time, date and place to be determined in a Class 5A bi-district game. Lee, meanwhile, will finish fourth and face El Paso Eastwood in the first round also at a time, date and place still to be determined.

The Rebels (9-4-3, 30 points) controlled possession for most of the game and nearly the entire second half as Midland High (10-3-3, 33 points) struggled to shift momentum.

"I thought we really earned it today," Lee coach Scott Hicks said. "We controlled the ball for most of the game, and to get that goal at the end there was huge."

Midland High head coach Warren Cottle said that his team should have played better regardless of their playoff standing.

"We should have come out and competed better than we did," Cottle said. "They came out and wanted it bad. We need to play better and we will. We'll work on the things we need to fix in practice."

One of the keys to the game for the Rebels was stopping the Bulldogs' leading scorer Homero Vasquez. Lee's defenders gave him fits all afternoon and, short of one scoring opportunity, were able to shut him down.

Hicks and Strambler both agreed that this was the Rebels' best game of the season.

Please see **REBELS**/2C

Torres hat trick leads Lady Dawgs past Lady Rebs

By Justin Oaks
MRT Correspondent

Lady Bulldogs	5
Lady Rebels	0

A relentless offensive attack and a Sara Torres hat trick were the story of the day for Midland High in a 5-0 victory against rival Lee on Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium.

The Lady Bulldogs secured second place in district 2-5A with this decisive win over Lee (4-7-5, 17 points). Midland High will take on El Paso Coronado in a Class 5A bi-district game tentatively set for Thursday, Nov. 27 in Artesia, N.M.

The Lady Bulldogs (10-2-4, 34 points) wasted no time out of the gate as Adrienne Almodova scored in the first 90 seconds off an assist by Cally Farrington.

Claudia Fricker followed three minutes later with an unassisted goal to put Midland High up 2-0 early.

"We came out with an attacking mentality," Midland High head coach Ryan Dunlevy said. "The girls executed our game plan and played very well."

Sara Torres scored the first of her three goals with five minutes left in the first half to send the Lady Bulldogs into the locker room with a 3-0 halftime lead.

Torres scored her second and the Lady Bulldogs' fourth goal in the 60th minute off a corner kick.

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James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Chaselyn Richardson (6) gets double-teamed by Midland High's Marli Martin (7) and Jaime Lujan (15) on Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium.

Mustangs run rule Rebels

Mustangs	12
Rebels	1

By Oscar LeRoy
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The day for the Lubbock Coronado baseball team had a tough start to its Saturday, but a run-rule victory over Lee at Ernie Johnson Field probably helped the Mustangs get over their forgettable morning.

Coronado broke open a close game with the Rebels with a 10-run outburst in the fifth inning and rolled to a 12-1 victory in five innings to keep Lee winless in District 2-5A play at 0-6.

One wouldn't have guessed that the Mustangs had to battle adversity just to get to Midland with the way they played. Coronado coach Gary Hicks said first his team didn't have a bus from Lubbock ISD readily available. Then when the Mustangs (8-8, 2-4 in district) finally got a bus, the driver took the wrong turn to Big Spring, which caused the team to arrive late and start the game 30 minutes later than scheduled.


Roper

Despite the road adventures, the Mustangs belted out 13 hits and took advantage of four Rebel errors for the victory.

"We needed something like that," Hicks said. "I thought the kids did a good job today with all the adversity that was handed to them. Some things we earned but some were given to us as well. In a game, that's just the way it is sometimes. I was just proud that our kids were able to put the ball in play and we were able to put some pressure on them."

For the Rebels (6-11), the loss continued a season of frustrations.

"It's the same old song, different verse," Lee coach Brian Roper said.

Coronado was first to get on the board in the top of the second inning when Reagan Lucia singled and then later scored on a single to center by Tyler Stevens.

The Rebels responded quickly in their half of the second when Blake Blessie singled and later scored on a single to left by Austin Maddox to tie the game at 1.

The Mustangs grabbed a 2-1 lead in the fourth with an RBI single by Tyler Blackwell, but then broke the game open with their big fifth inning.

The Rebels didn't help their own matters in that big frame as they committed four errors and hit a batter to go with the seven hits the Mustangs had. Coronado also sent 15 batters to the plate, and chased Lee starter Evan Mata after 4 1/3 innings in the process.

Mata allowed seven runs on nine hits but only two of those runs were earned. The sophomore also struck out three.

Meanwhile, the Lee offense continued to struggle to string consecutive hits together and keep the game going past the fifth.

The Rebels, which had five hits on the day (two from Hunter Coleman),

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DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

WHAT'S ON TV

AUTO RACING

NASCAR, Sprint Cup, Auto Club 400, 2 p.m., Fox

COLLEGE BASEBALL

Texas Tech at TCU, 1 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest

Oklahoma State at Baylor, 1 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest Plus

GOLF

PGA Tour, Arnold Palmer Invitational, final round, 11:30 a.m., TGC

PGA Tour, Arnold Palmer Invitational, final round, 1 p.m., NBC

Champions Tour, Mississippi Gulf Resort Classic, final round, 4 p.m., TGC

LPGA, Founders Cup, final round, 6 p.m., TGC

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Preseason, Chicago Cubs vs. Oakland, at Phoenix, 3 p.m., WGN

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

NIT, second round, Illinois at Clemson, 10 a.m., ESPN

NCAA Division I tournament, third round, Kansas vs. Stanford, 11 a.m., CBS

NCAA Division I tournament, third round, Wichita State vs. Kentucky, 1:30 p.m, CBS

NCAA Division I tournament, third round, Iowa State vs. North Carolina, 4 p.m., CBS

NIT, second round, Southern Miss at Missouri, 4 p.m., ESPNU

NCAA Division I tournament, third round, Mercer vs. Tennessee, 5 p.m., TNT

NCAA Division I tournament, third round, UCLA vs. Stephen F. Austin, 6 p.m., TBS

NCAA Division I tournament, third round, Creighton vs. Baylor, 6:30 p.m., TruTV

NCAA Division I tournament, third round, Virginia vs. Memphis, 7:30 p.m., TNT

NCAA Division I tournament, third round, Arizona vs. Gonzaga, 8:30 p.m., TNT

MOTORSPORTS

MotoGP World Championship, Grand Prix of Qatar, 1:30 p.m., Fox Sports 1

NBA

Brooklyn at Dallas, 6:30 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest

NHL

Minnesota at Detroit, 6:30 p.m., NBC Sports Network

SOCCER

Premier League, Southampton at Tottenham, 8:25 a.m., NBC Sports Network

Premier League, Stoke City at Aston Villa, 11:25 a.m., NBC Sports Network

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

NCAA Division I tournament, first round, regional coverage, Georgia Tech at LSU; Hampton vs. Michigan State at Chapel Hill, N.C.; Army at Maryland; and Wichita State at Penn State, 11:30 a.m., ESPN2

3 p.m.

ESPN — NCAA Division I tournament, first round, regional coverage, Albany vs. West Virginia at Baton Rouge, La.; UT Martin at North Carolina; Pennsylvania vs. Texas at College Park, Md.; and Florida vs. Dayton, 2 p.m., ESPN

NCAA Division I tournament, first round, regional coverage, James Madison vs. Gonzaga at College Station, Texas; Idaho vs. Louisville at Iowa City, Iowa; Cal State Northridge vs. South Carolina at Seattle; and Saint Joseph's vs. Georgia at Storrs, Conn.

NCAA Division I tournament, first round, Prairie View at UConn, 7 p.m., ESPN

NCAA Division I tournament, first round, regional coverage, North Dakota at Texas A&M; Marist at Iowa; and Oregon State vs. Middle Tennessee at Seattle, 7 p.m., ESPN2

Sunday Morning Line



LEN HAYWARD

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This and that as it looks like Warren Buffett will get to keep his $1 billion:

■ There's a reason that CBS is paying the kind of money it is for the NCAA Basketball Tournament, and that's because the early rounds produce some upsets and get people watching.

Upsets in college football just don't have the same type of resonance as they do in basketball because it's a tournament setting.

In college football, there are upsets during the year, but that team usually gets one more chance the next week or in a bowl game, and other than the national title game, the bowl season is anti-climactic.

While college football is the bell cow for all college sports — both financially and in popularity — it doesn't have the same type of drama that the basketball tournament can provide in such a short time span.

It's why Duke's loss to Mercer resonated across the sports spectrum on Friday. A major power has no chance to win a national title now, and it happened at the most important time of year.

It's a shame that college basketball isn't as popular as it once was, mainly because of players not sticking around (that's for another column), but at least for a few weeks each year it holds the attention of casual sports fans.

■ Who would've thought that the District 2-5A baseball standings would have MHS at the top without a loss and Lee at the bottom winless in league play? OK, the Bulldogs' undefeated run in district so far isn't that much of a surprise, but the Rebels are a surprise.

The crazy thing with as much as Lee has struggled the district is relatively even, and the Rebels could find a way to sneak into the playoffs. It will require the Rebels to basically win out, but anything can happen in this baseball district.

Also, if you get a chance and can get off work, the Bulldogs will play Abilene High in a battle for the top spot in the district on Tuesday at Zachery Field.

■ Three of the four Midland ISD soccer teams have made the postseason, and both boys teams will be looking to end lengthy losing streaks to teams from El Paso.

Lee has not beaten a team from the Sun City in the postseason since 1999, and currently the Rebels have lost their last seven playoff games dating back to 2005.

Midland High, meanwhile, came the closest to beating a team from El Paso last year when the Bulldogs lost to Bel Air, 3-2 at Grande Communications Stadium. The Bulldogs, meanwhile, have not beaten an El Paso team since 1994, which was the year they went to the state tournament.

It's a big hill to climb considering El Paso is a soccer town that has had schools win state titles in the sport.

■ We're slowly getting some info on schedules for football teams next year.

I understand that Lee will play Keller on Thursday afternoon on Aug. 28 at Grande Communications Stadium to be the first Class 6A game ever in Texas. That is tentative, but man that's going to be hot. Lee also has Southlake Carroll on its non-district schedule, as does Abilene High, and the Rebels could play them here next year.

Midland High, meanwhile, will play Smithson Valley as part of the ASCO Midland Football Madness.

Midland Christian will be making two long road trips next year as coach Greg McClendon struggled to find opponents for next season. Monahans, Big Spring and Seminole are no longer on the Mustangs' schedule, while they will scrimmage Monahans next August.

Midland Christian will play Highland, Ark., on Sept. 1 in Fayetteville, Ark., and then play Shreveport Calvary Baptist Academy on Sept. 11 in the Independence Bowl in Shreveport, La. The Mustangs finish the non-district slate on Sept. 19 against El Paso Americas at home.

■ And finally, get your pillow ready, it's the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series at California today. Word of advice, watch the start, then take a nap or do yard work or whatever you want to do for 200 laps and wake up to watch the finish. You will have seen all you need to see.

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Results

Saturday

At Auto Club Speedway

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Lap length: 2 miles

(Start position in parentheses)

1. (8) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 150 laps, 123.2 rating, 0 points, $86,800.

2. (6) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 150, 121.5, 0, $54,100.

3. (39) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 150, 123.2, 0, $45,525.

4. (4) Joey Logano, Ford, 150, 142.6, 0, $36,325.

5. (1) Elliott Sadler, Toyota, 150, 104.8, 39, $39,982.

6. (5) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 150, 103.2, 39, $31,606.

7. (2) Matt Kenseth, Toyota, 150, 109.8, 0, $22,400.

8. (3) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 150, 98.1, 36, $27,231.

9. (13) Trevor Bayne, Ford, 150, 94.6, 35, $26,091.

10. (11) Regan Smith, Chevrolet, 150, 88.9, 34, $28,081.

11. (7) Dylan Kwasniewski, Chevrolet, 150, 84.9, 33, $25,756.

12. (9) Brian Scott, Chevrolet, 150, 97, 33, $25,456.

13. (16) David Ragan, Ford, 150, 84.6, 0, $18,975.

14. (19) Chris Buescher, Ford, 150, 77.2, 30, $24,996.

15. (10) Brendan Gaughan, Chevrolet, 150, 83.5, 29, $25,611.

16. (12) James Buescher, Toyota, 150, 81.6, 28, $24,951.

17. (15) Ryan Reed, Ford, 149, 69.2, 27, $24,541.

18. (18) Mike Bliss, Toyota, 149, 74, 26, $24,406.

19. (14) J.J. Yeley, Dodge, 149, 72.7, 0, $24,296.

20. (27) Dakoda Armstrong, Ford, 148, 60.4, 24, $24,886.

21. (26) Mike Wallace, Dodge, 148, 56.7, 23, $24,076.

22. (17) Ryan Sieg, Chevrolet, 148, 65.2, 0, $23,911.

23. (25) Jeffrey Earnhardt, Chevrolet, 147, 56.1, 21, $23,826.

24. (21) David Starr, Toyota, 147, 60.2, 20, $23,666.

25. (33) Eric McClure, Toyota, 146, 47.9, 19, $24,031.

26. (30) Joey Gase, Chevrolet, 145, 43.5, 18, $23,421.

27. (35) Darryl Harr, Chevrolet, 145, 42.9, 17, $23,286.

28. (36) Derrike Cope, Chevrolet, 143, 37.5, 16, $23,166.

29. (37) Carlos Contreras, Chevrolet, 140, 34.7, 15, $22,991.

30. (28) Kevin Lepage, Dodge, 140, 50.2, 14, $23,181.

31. (31) Tanner Berryhill, Dodge, 131, 44.7, 13, $22,751.

32. (38) Jason White, Toyota, power steering, 128, 35.8, 12, $22,641.

33. (24) Josh Wise, Chevrolet, engine, 126, 56.3, 0, $16,320.

34. (34) Jamie Dick, Chevrolet, 126, 33.4, 10, $22,415.

35. (23) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, fuel pump, 108, 57.9, 9, $22,294.

36. (20) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 107, 41.6, 8, $20,801.

37. (22) Matt DiBenedetto, Chevrolet, vibration, 8, 34.7, 7, $14,475.

38. (40) Carl Long, Toyota, electrical, 7, 33.0, $14,365.

39. (32) Blake Koch, Toyota, vibration, 6, 31.3, 5, $14,115.

40. (29) Jeff Green, Toyota, vibration, 4, 29.7, 0, $14,080.

Race Statistics

Average Speed of Race Winner: 143.942 mph

Time of Race: 2 hours, 5 minutes, 3 seconds

Margin of Victory: 0.342 seconds

Caution Flags: 4 for 15 laps

Lead Changes: 18 among 6 drivers

Lap Leaders: K.Harvick 1-5, J.Logano 6-41, K.Busch 42-80, J.Logano 81-72, K.Busch 73-76, J.Logano 77, K.Busch 78, B.Scott 79-80, J.Logano 81-112, K.Larson 113, C.Elliott 114-115, J.Logano 116-127, K.Larson 128, J.Logano 129-131, K.Harvick 132-134, K.Larson 135-144, K.Busch 145, K.Larson 146-150

Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): J.Logano, 6 times for 96 laps, K.Busch, 4 times for 25 laps, K.Larson, 4 times for 17 laps, K.Harvick, 2 times for 8 laps, C.Elliott, 1 time for 2 laps, B.Scott, 1 time for 2 laps.

Top 10 in Points: 1. R.Smith, 185, 2. T.Bayne, 185, 3. T.Dillon, 179, 4. C.Elliott, 177, 5. E.Sadler, 174, 6. B.Gaughan, 160, 7. B.Scott, 160, 8. D.Kwasniewski, 149, 9. J.Buescher, 145, 10. M.Bliss, 125

NASCAR Driver Rating Formula

A maximum of 150 points can be attained in a race.

The formula combines the following categories: Wins, Finishes, Top-15 Finishes, Average Running Position While on Lead Lap, Average Speed Under Green, Fastest Lap, Led Most Laps, Lead-Lap Finish

LADY DAWGS

From 1C

"I wasn't sure about that one because it was a tough angle, but it went in," Torres said. "I thought we played well, we just need to keep up the intensity and stick to our game plan."

Torres completed the hat trick five minutes later to send Midland High to a 5-0 victory.

Dunlevy said that with the fierce competition they're sure to face in the playoffs, they can't afford to get too comfortable.

"We have to come out with the right mentality," Dunlevy said. "We're still a young team, and every game we play from here on out is going to get harder. Every team we play is going to be fighting for that next game. We had some minutes where we kind of took a break in this one, and that's what we need to work on fixing because you just can't do that in the playoffs."

REBELS

From 1C

"Our guys wanted to prove that they were the better soccer team than what they showed in the first meeting," Hicks said. "We didn't come in saying that we're going to beat Midland High, but we came in saying that we were going to give them a better game than we did the first time around. We're going to play the way we're capable, and that's what we did, and we came out on top."

Girls District 2-5A Standings

	District W	L	T	Pts.	Overall W	L	T
xy-Odessa Permian	13	1	2	41	15	2	3
x-Midland High	10	2	4	34	11	5	4
x-Odessa High	9	3	4	31	10	5	6
x-San Angelo Central	9	5	2	29	11	8	2
Abilene Cooper	7	7	2	23	9	9	4
Lee	4	7	6	17	6	8	6
Abilene High	4	7	5	17	7	7	5
Amarillo Tascosa	1	9	4	7	2	11	4
Lubbock Coronado	1	15	0	3	3	17	1

Note: 3 points for a win, 1 point for a tie

x-clinched playoff spot

y-clinched district title

Friday's Score

Odessa High 3, Amarillo Tascosa 0

Saturday's Scores

Midland High 5, Lee 0

San Angelo Central 3, Lubbock Coronado 0

Abilene High 5, Abilene Cooper 1

Odessa Permian 3, Amarillo Tascosa 0

END OF REGULAR SEASON

Boys District 2-5A Standings

	District W	L	T	Pts.	Overall W	L	T
yx-Amarillo Tascosa	11	1	4	37	15	2	4
x-Midland High	10	3	3	33	12	4	3
x-Abilene Cooper	9	4	3	30	11	5	5
x-Lee	9	4	3	30	15	5	3
Abilene High	6	8	2	20	7	10	4
Odessa High	5	6	5	20	9	7	5
Odessa Permian	5	9	2	17	6	11	2
San Angelo Central	4	10	2	14	6	12	2
Lubbock Coronado	1	15	0	3	2	19	0

Note: 3 points for a win, 1 point for a tie

x-clinched a playoff spot

Friday's Score

Amarillo Tascosa 2, Odessa High 2

Saturday's Scores

Lee 1, Midland High 0

San Angelo Central 1, Lubbock Coronado 0

Abilene Cooper 4, Abilene High 1

Amarillo Tascosa 2, Odessa Permian 1

END OF REGULAR SEASON

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

CLEVELAND INDIANS — Released OF Jeff Francoeur.

TEXAS RANGERS — Reassigned INF Brent Lillibridge to minor league camp. Released RHP Jose Contreras. National League

CHICAGO CUBS — Assigned SS Javier Baez to their minor league camp.

MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Exercised its 2015 contract option on manager Ron Roenicke.

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS — Released RHP Kameron Loe.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

NBA — Fined Washington Wizards F Drew Gooden $15,000 for committing an unnecessary act by clamping Los Angeles Lakers forward guard Nick Young's arm and attempting to throw him to the floor.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

DETROIT RED WINGS — Assigned RW Teemu Pulkkinen to Grand Rapids (AHL).

American Hockey League

AHL — Suspended Rockford D Bobby Shea eight games and Rockford D Jared Nightingale six games for their actions in a March 21 game at Chicago.

SPRINGFIELD FALCONS — Signed F Marko Dano.

ECHL

STOCKTON THUNDER — Signed F Brady Ramsay to an amateur tryout contract. COLLEGE OHIO STATE — Announced G guard Amedeo Della Valle is leaving the basketball team.

NHL STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
x-Boston	70	48	17	5	101	225	149
Tampa Bay	71	39	24	8	86	211	189
Montreal	72	39	26	7	85	186	183
Toronto	72	36	28	8	80	211	223
Detroit	70	33	24	13	79	196	196
Ottawa	70	28	29	13	69	199	237
Florida	71	26	37	8	60	173	229
Buffalo	70	20	42	8	48	136	206

Metropolitan Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	70	46	19	5	97	222	176
Philadelphia	70	38	25	7	83	203	198
N.Y. Rangers	72	39	29	4	82	190	175
Columbus	70	36	28	6	78	200	192
Washington	71	35	27	11	77	205	211
New Jersey	71	30	28	13	73	172	185
Carolina	71	31	31	9	71	177	200
N.Y. Islanders	70	26	35	9	61	195	239

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	70	47	16	7	101	227	160
Chicago	71	41	15	15	97	240	184
Colorado	71	44	21	6	94	216	194
Minnesota	71	36	24	11	83	176	175
Dallas	70	33	26	11	77	199	202
Winnipeg	72	32	31	9	73	201	211
Nashville	71	30	31	10	70	171	213

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	71	46	18	7	99	219	170
Anaheim	70	45	18	7	97	222	178
Los Angeles	71	40	25	6	86	174	149
Phoenix	70	34	25	11	79	194	197
Vancouver	72	32	30	10	74	172	194
Calgary	70	28	35	7	63	173	209
Edmonton	71	25	37	9	59	177	228

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

x-clinched playoff spot

Saturday's Scores

Philadelphia 4, St. Louis 1

Pittsburgh 4, Tampa Bay 3, OT

Detroit 3, Minnesota 2

Dallas 2, Ottawa 1

Los Angeles 4, Florida 0

Montreal 4, Toronto 3

N.Y. Rangers 2, New Jersey 0

Carolina 3, Winnipeg 2

Boston at Phoenix, late

Calgary at Edmonton, late

Washington at San Jose, late

Today's Games

Columbus at N.Y. Islanders, Noon

St. Louis at Pittsburgh, Noon

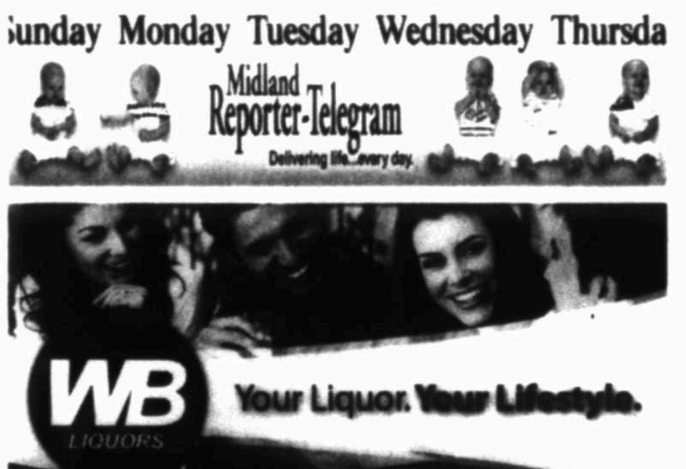
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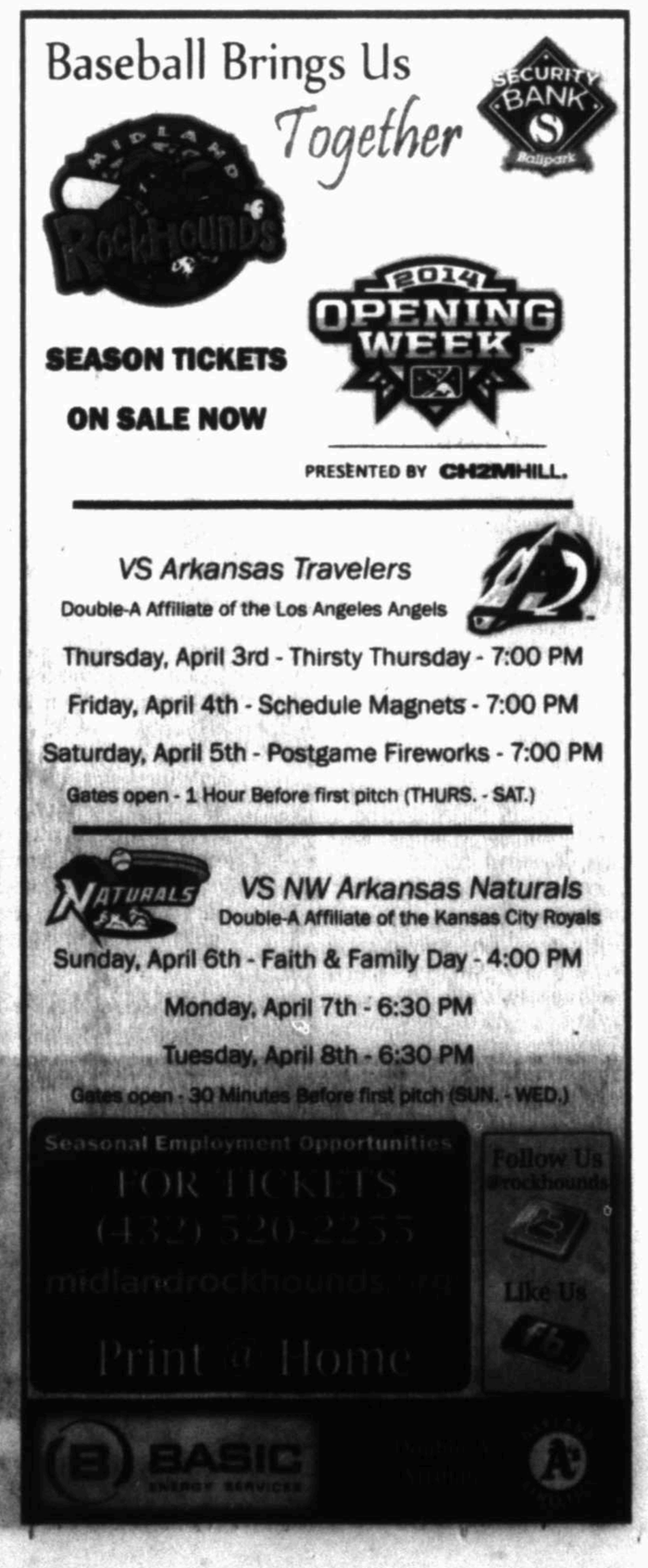
Buffalo at Vancouver, 7 p.m.

Florida at Anaheim, 7 p.m.









Lady Rebels rally for win over Lady Cougars

From staff reports

ABILENE — The Lee softball team rallied for an 8-5 victory against Abilene Cooper on Saturday at Cooper Diamond in District 2-5A play.

The Lady Rebels were up, 5-3, heading into the bottom of the fifth inning, but the Lady Cougars came back to tie the score with two runs in the bottom half of the inning.

Lee, though, took the lead for good by scoring the three in the top of the sixth.

The Lady Rebels (12-8, 5-2 in District 2-5A) had 13 hits on the day as



O'Grady



Sheppard

Darby O'Grady picked up the victory, and Kylee Olivas came on in relief for the save. O'Grady gave up five runs on seven hits with four strikeouts and two walks. Olivas had five strikeouts in the two innings she pitched.

Ciara Sheppard was 4-for-5 on the day with a run scored, while Destiny Reyes was 2-for-5, Emily Nunez 2-for-4 and Olivas stayed hot in district play going 2-for-4 with two runs scored.

Rosie Marquez and Brandi Kennedy each had an RBI, and Cidney Martin was 1-for-4 with three RBI.

Lee will have Tuesday off and then travel to Amarillo Tascosa on Friday.

LEE 8, ABILENE COOPER 5

Lee	200	213	0	—8 12 2
Cooper	300	020	0	—5 7 2

Darby O'Grady, Kylee Olivas (6) and Destiney Reyes, Keely Gatti and NA. W — O'Grady 12. L — Gatti. S — Olivas. 2B — Lee: Olivas, Rosie Marquez, Sydney Merritt, Ciara Sheppard 2. Emily Nunez. Cooper: Bri Crim, Gatti, Kaylin Ferrier.

Records: Lee 12-8, 5-2 in District 2-5A; Abilene Cooper 5-12, 1-7

Next: Lee at Amarillo Tascosa, 4:30 p.m Friday, March 28; Odessa Permian at Abilene Cooper, 4:30 p.m. Tuesday

Lady Rebels 8
Lady Cougars 5

District 2-5A Standings
SOFTBALL

Team	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
Lubbock Coronado	6	0	21	2
Lee	5	2	12	8
Midland High	5	2	12	6
Odessa Permian	5	3	13	6
Odessa High	5	3	12	5
Abilene High	3	4	6	9
San Angelo Central	3	4	7	7
Abilene Cooper	1	7	5	12
Amarillo Tascosa	0	8	3	15

Friday's Score
Midland High 13, Amarillo Tascosa 0, 5 innings

Saturday's Scores
Lee 8, Abilene Cooper 5
Odessa High 5, Abilene High 2
Lubbock Coronado 16, San Angelo Central 3
Odessa Permian 17, Amarillo Tascosa 1
Tuesday's Games
Abilene High at San Angelo Central, 4:30 p.m.
Odessa Permian at Abilene Cooper, 4:30 p.m.
Lubbock Coronado at Amarillo Tascosa, 4:30 p.m.
Midland High at Odessa High, 6:30 p.m.

MCS rolls past Pantego Christian in doubleheader

From staff reports

The Midland Christian softball rolled in its TAPPS 1-4A openers on Saturday, beating Arlington Pantego 15-0 and 17-2 in a doubleheader at the Freddie Ezell Softball Complex.

Both games ended after four innings because of the run-rule.

Maddy Garcia was the winning pitcher in both games, allowing two hits in a total of eight innings pitched, and also had a combined 13 strikeouts in the two games.

Lady Mustangs **15-17**
Lady Panthers **0-2**

In the first game, the Lady Mustangs (21-12, 2-0 in TAPPS 1-4A) scored six runs in the second inning and five in the third to break it open. Bianca Ambe... was 3-for-3 in the game, and McKinley Walker was 1-for-1 and walked twice.

It was a similar story in the second game as Midland Christian scored seven runs in the second inning.

McKinley Walker was 1-for-4 in the game with four RBI, and Lauren Grizzard was 1-for-2 with two RBI.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 15, ARLINGTON PANTEGO 0, 4 INNINGS

Pantego	000	0	—0	1 4
MCS	265	2	—15	6 0

Brianna Burger and Paige Locke. Maddy Garcia and Chelsea Cross. W — Garcia. L — Burger.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 17, ARLINGTON PANTEGO 2, 4 INNINGS

Pantego	020	0	—2	1 10
MCS	273	5	—17	6 0

Brianna Burger and Paige Locke. Maddy Garcia and Chelsea Cross. W — Garcia. L — Burger. 2B — Pantego: Locke. MCS: McKinley Walker, Courtney Monk.

Record: Midland Christian 21-12, 2-0 in TAPPS 1-4A.

Next: Lubbock Christian at Midland Christian, 5 p.m. Monday

Lady Chaparrals sweep WTC on the road

From staff reports

SNYDER — The Midland College softball team bounced back from being swept on Friday with a doubleheader sweep of its own against Western Texas College on Saturday afternoon at United Field.

The Lady Chaparrals rolled to an 8-1 victory in the first game and then came from behind for a 12-9 victory in the second game as MC improved to 18-13 overall and 5-3 in the WJCAC.

"Going in we talked about our effort and playing with more heart," MC coach Tommy Ramos said. "We came out in the first game and played that way. Then in the second game, we had great individual players step up that got everybody going again."

Lady Chaparrals **8-12**
Lady Westerners..... **1-9**

In that second game, after MC scored five runs in the top of the sixth for a 7-3 lead, the Lady Westerners responded with a five-run frame of their own in the bottom of the sixth to grab an 8-7 advantage.

But then Tyneesha Houkamu led off the seventh with a triple and Kelcey Gomez followed with an RBI single. Ramos said that Houkamu triple seemed to get his team fired up. The Lady Chaps sent 11 batters to the plate that inning and scored five more runs on eight hits to take the lead for good.

MC finished with 17 hits in that game, led by Taylor Daniels, who went 4-for-5. Danielle Bottley, Gomez, Pililani Smith-Keouhiwa, Naomi Posada and Amy Anderson each had two hits with Gomez and Smith-Keopuhiwa each hitting homers. Smith-Keopuhiwa added four RBI in the game.

Dominique Lozano Alcocer got the win in the circle.

In the first game, the Lady Chaps had 12 hits as Daniels, Bottley, Houkamu, Smith-Keopuhiwa and Kyla Larson each had two hits. Smith-Keopuhiwa also had a home run.

Shelby Weissenbach was the winning pitcher for MC.

The Lady Chaps will next host rival Odessa College in a doubleheader to begin a four-game series at 1 p.m. Friday.

MIDLAND COLLEGE 8, WESTERN TEXAS 1

MC	300	021	2	—8 12 1
WTC	000	010	0	—1 7 2

Shelby Weissenbach, Dominique Lozano Alcocer (5) and Amy Anderson; Breanna Fuller, Hannah Windham (6) and Maria Mercado. W — Weissenbach. L — Fuller. 2B — MC: Tyneesha Houkamu, Kelcey Gomez. WTC: Reagan Stoudt. HR — MC: Pililani Smith-Keopuhiwa.

MIDLAND COLLEGE 12, WESTERN TEXAS 9

MC	000	115	5	—12 17 2
WTC	201	005	1	—9 7 2

Lozano Alcocer and Anderson; Staudt, Fuller (6), Windham (7) and Mercado. W — Lozano Alcocer. L — Fuller. 2B — MC: Naomi Posada. WTC: Autumn Gillespie 2. 3B — MC: Houkamu. HR — MC: Gomez, Smith-Keopuhiwa. WTC: Mercado. Lea Andriotto.

Record: Midland College 18-13, 5-3 in WJCAC; Western Texas 7-19, 2-6.

Next: Odessa College at Midland College (DH), 1 p.m. Friday

UTPB ROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

SOFTBALL
LADY FALCONS FALL TO TAMIU

LAREDO — The UTPB softball team dropped a 9-4 decision to Texas A&M International on Saturday.

TAMIU (15-22, 8-4 in Heartland Conference) used a six-run fifth inning to break a 1-all tie.

Desiree Valero (3-13) got the loss as she gave up four runs on four hits with five strikeouts and no walks in 4 2/3 innings.

Jennifer Quam, Taleas Marble and Miley McKee each had two hits for UTPB (6-22, 3-6).

BASEBALL
UAFS COMPLETES SWEEP OF FALCONS

FORT SMITH, Ark. — The University of Arkansas-Fort Smith baseball team completed a three-game series sweep of UTPB on Saturday with a 6-4 victory at Crowder Field.

The Falcons (13-15, 5-7 in Heartland Conference) had a 2-1 lead before UAFS (13-12, 8-7) scored five runs in the bottom of the seventh.

Lance Fairchild (0-3) took the loss for the Falcons after allowing four runs on four hits with three walks and a strikeout in 6 1/3 innings of work.

Colin Kowal had two hits for the Falcons.

MCA tennis team fares well in Reagan County

From staff reports

BIG LAKE — Midland Classical Academy's Max Sivalls won the boys singles title and the girls doubles team of Clara Cliver and Beth Ann Holmes finished second in girls doubles at the Reagan County Tennis Tournament on Friday.

Sivalls rolled through the boys singles bracket, beating Regan County's Dylan Hester in the final 6-3, 6-0.

Cliver and Holmes played in five matches on Friday, and beat a team from Reagan County in three sets in the semifinals, but fell to a team from Miles in the final 8-5.

Also for Midland Classical, Will Wineinger advanced to the consolation semifinals in boys singles, and Marshall McCray and Jonathan Childers also lost in the consolation semifinals in boys doubles.

Paige McAninch and Tracy Fu advanced to the second round of girls singles. In girls doubles, Alissa Beattie and Elleri Haest lost in the consolation quarterfinals, and Lauren Rogers and Beth Sanders lost in the second round.

Serena Williams advances at Sony Open

By Steven Wine
Associated Press

KEY BISCAYNE, Fla. — A succession of long rallies Saturday left Serena Williams grunting, stumbling, lunging, squealing, flailing her arms and scolding herself.

Despite all the drama and trauma, she reached the fourth round at the Sony Open by beating Caroline Garcia 6-4, 4-6, 6-4.

Williams is playing in her first tournament after a monthlong layoff, and rustiness might explain her 41 unforced errors, including seven double-faults. And the 20-year-old Garcia kept Williams on her heels with deep groundstrokes and served that topped out at 117 mph.

"I can play a hundred times better," said Williams, who is seeking a record seventh Key Biscayne title. "I really gave myself a tremendous amount of trouble out there. Granted she played great, but I made so many errors ... 40-something errors. It's not the way to play professional tennis. Maybe amateur."



Alan Diaz/AP

Serena Williams returns to Caroline Garcia at the Sony Open on Saturday in Key Biscayne, Fla.

Three-time champion Novak Djokovic was off Saturday but advanced to the fourth round anyway when his next scheduled opponent, Florian Mayer, withdrew because of a groin injury. Djokovic's next match will be Tuesday.

No. 10-seeded John Isner rallied to win an all-American matchup against Donald Young, 6-7 (5), 6-3, 6-4. Isner is back in the top 10 this week for the first time in 18 months.

Sam Querrey, Ryan Harrison and Jack Sock lost second-round matches. That left Isner as the lone remaining American in the men's draw, reflecting the state of U.S. tennis.

"The state is not the greatest it has ever been," Isner said.

Stanislas Wawrinka bounced back from his first loss of the year by beating Daniel Gimeno-Traver 6-0, 3-6, 6-3. No. 7 Tomas Berdych joined Wawrinka in the third round by beating Stephane Robert 7-6 (5), 6-1.

Williams and Garcia engaged in a succession of side-to-side baseline exchanges that had the stadium crowd roaring, and Williams needed 2 1/2 hours to complete the victory.

BULLDOGS

From 1C

chase it, and we had to be really patient with that," Midland High coach Barry Russell said. "We did that and we weren't offering, and I think he got frustrated a little bit."

After that opening inning, though, Salazar kept the Bulldogs in check. After Wade's double, Salazar gave up two more hits the rest of the game and had eight strikeouts.

Salazar's pitching performance, though, was matched by White. The MHS senior right-hander threw 100 pitches in the shutout and also had five strikeouts and two walks.

He worked out of runners on third base in the second and fifth innings, but then retired nine straight to end the game.

"I felt comfortable today," White said. "It's been a while since I've had a start, and I was ready to get a start. All three of my pitches, fastball, curve ball and change-up were all pretty good today.

Follow Len on Twitter (@Len_Hayward_MRT)

District 2-5A Standings
BASEBALL

Team	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
Midland High	7	0	13	6
San Angelo Central	5	1	12	5
Abilene High	5	1	9	6
Amarillo Tascosa	3	3	12	5
Abilene Cooper	3	3	7	8
Lubbock Coronado	2	4	8	8
Odessa High	2	5	6	10
Odessa Permian	1	5	2	15
Lee	0	6	6	11

Saturday's Scores
Midland High 7, Amarillo Tascosa 0
Lubbock Coronado 12, Lee 1, 5 innings
San Angelo Central 10, Odessa High 0, 5 innings
Abilene High 12, Odessa Permian 2, 5 innings

Tuesday's Games
Abilene High at MHS, 4:30 p.m.
Lee at Abilene Cooper, 4:30 p.m.
Odessa Permian at Amarillo Tascosa, 5 p.m.
Lubbock Coronado at San Angelo Central, 4:30 p.m.

MIDLAND HIGH 7, AMARILLO TASCOSA 0

Tascosa	000	000	0	—0 3 0
MHS	700	000	x	—7 4 0

Tyler Jarvis, Hayden Saucedo and Jared Ard; Jake White and Hayden Salazar. W — White. L — Jarvis. 2B — Tascosa: Jarvis. MHS: Kaden Wade, Parker Williams, Salazar.

Records: Midland High 13-6, 7-0 in District 2-5A; Amarillo Tascosa 3-15, 3-5.

Next: Abilene High at Midland High, 4:30 p.m. Tuesday; Odessa Permian at Amarillo Tascosa, 5 p.m. Tuesday

REBELS

From 1C

loaded the bases in the bottom of the fifth against Lucia. But Lucia was able to get out of the jam when he got Griffin Quintero to pop out in foul territory.

"I thought Reagan did a good job," Hicks said. "He wasn't as sharp as he has been but nonetheless he stayed in the zone and threw good enough pitches for them to put the ball in play, let us make some plays and get out of some situations."

Added Roper, "Two-out RBIs is what we have lacked all year. And that's something that other teams have done against us. Games are won and lost with two outs."

Lee next travels to face Abilene Cooper at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday in hopes of getting those clutch two-out hits and that first district win.

Follow Oscar on Twitter (@OLeRoy_MRT)

LUBBOCK CORONADO 12, LEE 1, 5 INNINGS

Coronado	010	110	—	12 13 2
Lee	010	00	—	1 5 4

Reagan Lowe and Paul Lira; Evan Mata, Ma... Eubanks (... and Hunter Sherman. W — Lowe. L — Mata. 2B — Coronado: Sherman, Lee: Heather Schwabach. 3B — Lee: Steven... Noah Sims, Trevor Pendleton, Henderson (... Tyler Blackwell. HR — Lee: Austin Mashore.

Records: Lubbock Coronado 8-6, 2-4; Lee 2-14, 0-6.

Next: Lee at Abilene Cooper, 4:30 p.m. Tuesday; Lubbock Coronado at San Angelo Central, 4:30 p.m. Tuesday

Chaps win two on Saturday in El Paso

From staff reports

EL PASO — The Midland College baseball team picked up its first wins in Western Junior College Athletic Conference play thanks to a doubleheader sweep of El Paso Community College on Saturday.

The Chaparrals outlasted the Tejanos in the first game for a 10-8 victory, then had 17 hits in the second game for a 9-2 triumph as MC improves to 12-14 overall and 2-10 in the WJCAC after a four-game series split.

In the first game, the Chaps jumped out to an 8-0 lead thanks in part to a five-run third inning.

But EPCC made a comeback as it scored three in the bottom of the third and four more in the fourth to cut it to 8-7.

The Chaps added a pair of insurance runs in the fifth.

Offensively for MC, Caleb Koedyker was 2-for-3 with a double, run scored and a walk; Chris Shaw hit a home run and had four RBI; Justin Clarkson was 2-for-4 with a double, RBI and a run scored; Brent Stewart was 3-for-4 with a double, RBI and two runs scored; and Chris Thibideau was 2-for-3 with a home run, double and run scored.

Dustin Angiel picked up the win in relief for the Chaps.

Chaparrals..... **10-9**
Tejanos..... 8-2

Brandon Courville pitched a complete-game in the second game as he allowed two runs on seven hits over his nine innings of work.

The Chap offense backed up Courville thanks to 17 hits, including six doubles, to go with a four-run seventh inning.

Blaine Prescott was 3-for-6 with a double and an RBI; Shaw was 3-for-5, a double, hit his second homer on the day, and two RBI; Stewart was 3-for-4 with a double, home run and two RBI; and Tony Reyes was 2-for-4 with a double and an RBI.

The Chaps will next play a non-conference game at New Mexico Junior College at 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Third game
MIDLAND COLLEGE 10, EL PASO CC 8

MC	305	020	0	—10 14 1
EPCC	003	400	x	—8 9 0

Angiel (3-2), Courville and Armendariz; Ramirez, Cruz (7), Dickson (7) and Caballero. W — Courville. L — Garcia. 2B — MC: Tony Reyes, Shaw, Stewart, Clarkson, Armendariz, Blaine Prescott. 3B — MC: Thibideau. HR — MC: Shaw, Stewart.

Records: Midland College 12-14, 2-10 WJCAC; EPCC 10-16, 4-4.

Next: Midland College at New Mexico Junior College, 2 p.m. Wednesday

Fourth game
MIDLAND COLLEGE 9, EL PASO CC 2

MC	002	200	401	—9 17 1
EPCC	000	002	000	—2 7 2

Brandon Courville and Armendariz; Jarrod Cruz (7), Dickson (7) and Caballero. W — Courville (4-3). L — Garcia. 2B — MC: Tony Reyes, Shaw, Stewart, Clarkson, Armendariz, Blaine Prescott. 3B — MC: Thibideau. HR — MC: Shaw, Stewart.

Records: 12-14, 2-10 WJCAC; EPCC 10-16, 4-4.

Next: Midland College at New Mexico Junior College, 2 p.m. Wednesday

Burleson helps Texas Tech bounce back, beat TCU

From staff reports

FORT WORTH — Midland Christian grad Bryant Burleson hit a home run and had two hits to help Texas Tech to a 10-2 victory against TCU on Saturday at Lupton Stadium and even their Big 12 series at a game each.

Burleson, who was 2-for-4 with an RBI, hit a lead-off solo home run in the fourth inning to give Tech a 5-2 lead. The Red Raiders (18-7, 2-3 in the Big 12) then added two more runs in the sixth, one more in the eighth and two in the ninth.

Red Raider left fielder Adam Kirsch was 3-for-4 with a run scored, and Zach Davis came off the bench to go 2-for-4 with two RBI and two runs scored.

Red Raiders..... **10**
Horned Frogs..... 2

Jonny Drozd took the win in relief as he pitched the final six innings, giving up on runs on three hits with four strikeouts.

Former Midland College player Jeremie Fagnan was 0-for-3 with a walk for TCU on the day.

TCU (13-9, 1-1) beat the Red Raiders 9-0 on Friday in the first game of the series as starting pitcher Brandon Finnegan had 10 strikeouts in seven innings.

Fagnan was 1-for-4 for the Horned Frogs, while MCS grads Burleson and Hunter Redman each had hits for Tech.

The two teams will conclude the series at 1 p.m. today in Fort Worth.

Kershaw, Dodgers top D-backs in Australian opener

By Dennis Passa
Associated Press

SYDNEY — Clayton Kershaw flashed his Cy Young form, Scott Van Slyke homered and the Los Angeles Dodgers opened the Major League Baseball season with a 3-1 win over the Arizona Diamondbacks on Saturday at Sydney Cricket Ground.

A crowd of about 40,000 watched as MLB played its first regular-season game in Australia.

Opening day was a g'day for the NL West champion Dodgers.

Kershaw, who signed a seven-year, $215 million contract in January, allowed one run and five hits in 6 2-3 innings. Van Slyke hit a two-run homer and also doubled.

The first pitch was delayed because of rain for 14 minutes.

The long trip Down Under took even longer for some Arizona players. A team bus had a flat tire, and the Diamondbacks said "a handful" of players decided to walk the last half-mile to the stadium instead of waiting for a replacement bus.

Kershaw was impressive while making his fourth consecutive opening-day start. He struck out seven, walked one and was pulled by manager Don Mattingly after throwing his 102nd pitch.

In his previous opening-day starts, Kershaw, the two-time NL Cy Young winner, was 2-0 with 19 strikeouts in 19 scoreless innings.

Three relievers kept the Diamondbacks scoreless with hitless work. Chris Perez, a five-time All-Star with Cleveland before joining the Dodgers in the offseason, got the last out in the seventh.

Brian Wilson pitched the eighth and closer Kenley Jansen got the save. Jansen walked a batter before getting Gerardo Parra to ground out to end the game.

MLB

FROM WIRE REPORTS

REGULAR SEASON

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	0	0	.000	—
Boston	0	0	.000	—
New York	0	0	.000	—
Tampa Bay	0	0	.000	—
Toronto	0	0	.000	—

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	0	0	.000	—
Cleveland	0	0	.000	—
Detroit	0	0	.000	—
Kansas City	0	0	.000	—
Minnesota	0	0	.000	—

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	0	0	.000	—
Los Angeles	0	0	.000	—
Oakland	0	0	.000	—
Seattle	0	0	.000	—
Texas	0	0	.000	—

Saturday's Scores

No games scheduled

Today's Games

No games scheduled

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	0	0	.000	—
Miami	0	0	.000	—
New York	0	0	.000	—
Philadelphia	0	0	.000	—
Washington	0	0	.000	—

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	0	0	.000	—
Cincinnati	0	0	.000	—
Milwaukee	0	0	.000	—
Pittsburgh	0	0	.000	—
St. Louis	0	0	.000	—

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	1	0	1.000	—
Colorado	0	0	.000	1/2
San Diego	0	0	.000	1/2
San Francisco	0	0	.000	1/2
Arizona	0	1	.000	1

Saturday's Scores

L.A. Dodgers 3, Arizona 1

Today's Games

L.A. Dodgers (Ryu 0-0) vs. Arizona (Cahill 0-0) at Sydney, late

Today's Games

No games scheduled

Dodgers 3, Diamondbacks 1

SATURDAY'S LINESCORE

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Los Angeles	010	200	000	—3	5	1
Arizona	000	001	000	—1	5	1

Kershaw, C.Perez (7), B.Wilson (8), Jansen (9) and A.Ellis; Miley, Harris (6), Ziegler (8), O.Perez (9), Putz (9) and Montero). W—Kershaw 1-0. L—Miley 0-1. Sv—Jansen (1). HRs—Los Angeles, Van Slyke (1).

TX SPRING TRAINING

ROYALS 8
RANGERS 4

SURPRISE, Ariz. — Alcides Escobar went 3 for 3 with three RBIs and Jason Vargas pitched seven strong innings to help the Kansas City Royals beat the Texas Rangers 8-4 Saturday.

Joakim Soria was told before the game he would be Texas' closer. He gave up his first run of spring training in the eighth.

Escobar hit a bases-clearing double in the Royals' five-run second inning. Escobar also doubled in the fifth and scored on Justin Maxwell's homer.

Vargas scattered eight hits over seven innings, allowing one run, while walking one and striking out five.

Tommy Hanson, who is bidding for a Rangers' rotation spot, gave up seven runs on seven hits and three walks in 5 2-3 innings.

Rangers rookie Michael Choice hit a three-run homer in the eighth and raised his average to .340.

CARDINALS 5
ASTROS 2

KISSIMMEE, Fla. — Matt Adams hit a homered among his two hits and drove in three runs, lead the St. Louis Cardinals past the Houston Astros, 5-2, Saturday.

Michael Wacha gave up two runs in seven innings, his longest outing of the spring. He allowed two runs and struck out eight without allowing a walk.

"I'm pretty happy with how it's going," Wacha said. I am just stretching myself out. I'll be ready in two weeks."

Bret Oberholtzer, who was named the No. 3 starter in the Astros rotation, allowed five runs in five innings as his ERA rose to 11.00.

Jose Altuve homered for the Astros.

SPRING TRAINING GLANCE

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
Tampa Bay	14	5	.737
Cleveland	16	6	.727
Baltimore	12	7	.632
New York	15	9	.625
Seattle	15	9	.625
Oakland	12	9	.571
Los Angeles	13	10	.565
Detroit	12	10	.545
Kansas City	11	11	.500
Toronto	11	11	.500
Chicago	7	12	.368
Minnesota	7	12	.368
Boston	8	14	.364
Houston	8	14	.364
Texas	7	14	.333

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
Miami	15	9	.625
San Francisco	14	9	.609
Pittsburgh	12	9	.571
Arizona	11	9	.550
New York	12	10	.545
Washington	12	11	.522
Colorado	12	12	.500
Cincinnati	12	13	.480
St. Louis	9	10	.474
Milwaukee	11	14	.440
Chicago	11	15	.423
Los Angeles	6	10	.375
San Diego	7	12	.368
Atlanta	9	16	.360
Philadelphia	6	15	.286

NOTE: Split-squad games count in the standings; games against non-major league teams do not

Saturday's Scores

Toronto 9, Detroit 4
N.Y. Mets 10, Miami (ss) 2
Washington 6, Miami (ss) 5
Atlanta 6, Boston 3
St. Louis 5, Houston 2
Tampa Bay 3, Baltimore 3, tie 10 innings
N.Y. Yankees 5, Minnesota 4
Pittsburgh 5, Philadelphia 3
San Diego 3, Chicago White Sox (ss) 3, tie
L.A. Angels 9, Milwaukee 6
Colorado (ss) 14, Cleveland 6
Oakland 6, Seattle (ss) 5
Kansas City 8, Texas 4
Cincinnati 8, Chicago Cubs 3
San Francisco 8, Chicago White Sox (ss) 5
Colorado (ss) 4, Seattle (ss) 3

Today's Games

Toronto vs. N.Y. Yankees at Tampa, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Miami vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Houston vs. St. Louis at Jupiter, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh vs. Baltimore at Sarasota, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets vs. Atlanta at Kissimmee, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Minnesota vs. Philadelphia at Clearwater, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Milwaukee vs. Cincinnati at Goodyear, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.
Cleveland vs. L.A. Angels at Tempe, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.
Kansas City vs. San Francisco at Scottsdale, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.
Oakland (ss) vs. Seattle at Peoria, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs vs. Oakland (ss) at Phoenix, 3:05 p.m.
San Diego vs. Texas at Surprise, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox vs. Colorado at Scottsdale, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.

HSTRACK

FROM STAFF REPORTS

GOODLEY AMONG 4 MHS ATHLETES TO WIN GOLD

SAN ANGELO — A total of our four Midland High boys athletes and a relay team each took gold on Saturday during the final day of the San Angelo Relays at San Angelo Stadium.

De'Andre Goodley won the Division I boys 100 meters with a time of 10.79 seconds as he won the event by more than a half-second.

Jack Youngblood took gold in the 110-meter hurdles with a time of 15.83, and Kaleb Slack won the pole vault with a mark of 13-feet, 6-inches. Adrian Adame won the shot put with a toss of 48-5 1/2.

Also, the Bulldogs 400-meter relay team won with a time of 43.28 seconds. MHS finished second as a team with 96 points as Round Rock won the meet.

Lee's best finishes on Saturday were from Ian Johnson, who finished second in the triple jump with a mark of 44-6.25, and Denim Rogers, who was second in the 110 hurdles at 15.93.

On the girls side, Midland High's 400-meter and 800-meter relay teams each took third. Also, Shirs Reece finished second in the discus with a throw of 103-6, and Zakymbria Lewis was third in the 200 meters with a time of 25.76.

In Division IV girls, Stanton's Latrecia Smith won the 400 meters with a time of 1:03.13.

BELL, MCKEE WIN IN ANDREWS

ANDREWS — Greenwood's Amanda Bell won two gold medals, and Morgan McKee and Neil Reid won events as well on Friday during the Max Goldsmith Relays at the Mustang Bowl.

Bell won the discus with a toss of 109-feet, 3 1/2-inches, and also took gold in the discus at 33-9 1/4. McKee won the high jump with a mark of 5-2.

Reid took gold in the boys 800 meters, clocking in at 2:03.18.

Also, the Greenwood girls 400-meter relay team of Armanee Mathes, McKee, Grace Sunderland and Oriana Ortiz won with a time of 50.02.

TRACK RESULTS

Online

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SAN ANGELO RELAYS
56th annual San Angelo Relays
Friday and Saturday
San Angelo Stadium

BOYS
DIVISION I

Team standings — 1. Round Rock 141; 2. Midland High 96; 3. Odessa Permian 95; 4. Central 67; 5. Del Rio 64; 6. Midland Lee 60; 7. Lake View 27; 8. El Paso Montwood 22.

Field events

Long jump: 1. Ian Johnson, Lee, 22-00.75; 2. Mazelle Justice, MHS, 22-00.50; 3. Dexter Nebon, Odessa Permian, 21-01; 4. Luke West, SA Central, 20-11.50; 5. Zecharius Nash, Round Rock, 20-09.25; 6. Taylor Thompson, Odessa Permian, 20-04.25.

Discus: 1. Colin Hinson, Round Rock, 143-08; 2. Michael Whitfield, Odessa Permian, 134-11; 3. Michael Marsh, Lee, 132-00; 4. Joseph Gazcia, Del Rio, 131-04; 5. Andrew Montalvo, Lake View, 128-11; 6. Colton Freeman, SA Central, 125-05.

Pole vault: 1. Kaleb Slack, MHS, 13-06; 2. Braxton Bradley, Del Rio, 13-06; 3. Josh Sanchez, Central, 13-00; 4. Slade Harrell, MHS, 12-06; 5. Webb Ashley, Del Rio, 12-06; 6. Stephen Seely, Lake View, 12-00.

Triple jump: 1. Dexter Nebon, Odessa Permian, 44-07.25; 2. Ian Johnson, Lee, 44-06.25; 3. Robert Martin, Lake View, 42-10.25; 4. Steve Barrera, El Paso Montwood, 41-10.00; 5. Quinton LaLau, Round Rock, 40-03.75; 6. Zecharius Nash, Round Rock, 40-02.50.

High jump: 1. Coalson Brown, Del Rio, 6-02; 2. Tori Loud, Odessa Permian, 6-02; 3. Denim Rogers, Lee, 5-10; 4. Darrien Wallace, Lee, 5-10; 5. Emory Gibson, Round Rock, 5-10; 6. Sebastien Russ, Round Rock, 5-10.

Shot put: 1. Adrian Adame, Midland High, 48-5.50; 2. Spencer Hendee, Round Rock, 48-00.25; 3. Jonathan Ojeda, Del Rio, 47-05.00; 4. Andres Montalvo, Lake View, 46-11.00; 5. Javier Valdes, MHS, 43-08.00; 6. Shaquille Lee, Lee, 43-06.75.

Running events

3,200: 1. Caleb Hollfield, Round Rock, 9:31.93; 2. Paul Delgado, Del Rio, 9:38.92; 3. Cesar Moreno, Del Rio, 9:48.49; 4. Zach Cabrera, Central, 9:55.57; 5. Ruben Guerra, MHS, 9:58.45; 6. Nick Meszaros, Round Rock, 10:01.72.

400 relay: 1. Midland High 43.26; 2. Round Rock 43.48; 3. Central 43.74; 4. Odessa Permian 44.33; 5. Midland Lee 44.37; 6. Lake View 44.51.

800: 1. Maximillian Kirkning, Round Rock, 1:59.12; 2. Austin Watson, MHS, 2:00.24; 3. Steve Barrera, El Paso Montwood, 2:01.30; 4. Mitchell Morgan, Central, 2:01.85; 5. Chris Lee, Round Rock, 2:05.58; 6. Jonathan Mendez, Lee, 2:06.70.

110 hurdles: 1. Jack Youngblood, MHS, 15.83; 2. Denim Rogers, Lee, 15.93; 3. Chris Lozano, Del Rio, 15.99; 4. Coalson Brown, Del Rio, 16.07; 5. Ian Johnson, Lee, 16.98; 6. Karema Macharia, Round Rock, 18.55.

100: 1. De Andre Goodley, MHS, 10.79; 2. Joaquin Prieto, Central, 11.28; 3. Dexter Nebon, Odessa Permian, 11.28; 4. Eli Peterson, Lake View, 11.35; 5. Tori Loud, Odessa Permian, 11.54; 6. Kolby Robinson, Odessa Permian, 11.60.

800 relay: 1. Odessa Permian, 1:30.25; 2. Round Rock 1:30.26; 3. Central 1:31.89; 4. Midland High 1:32.14; 5. Midland Lee, 1:32.22; 6. El Paso Montwood, 1:32.25.

400: 1. Robert McLane, Central, 51.48; 2. Dayton Kessler, Lake View, 51.76; 3. Willie Davis, El Paso Montwood, 51.95; 4. Xavier Jones, Central, 52.19; 5. Maximillian Kirkning, Maximillian, 52.46; 6. Marc Reed, Round Rock, 52.50.

300 hurdles: 1. Karema Macharia, Round Rock, 40.13; 2. Coalson Brown, Del Rio, 40.90; 3. Denim Rogers, Lee, 41.33; 4. Chris Lozano, Del Rio, 42.32; 5. Ty London, Odessa Permian, 42.92; 6. Blake Humble, MHS, 43.18.

200: 1. Malik Shinsako, Odessa Permian, 22.39; 2. John Patterson, Round Rock, 22.54; 3. Emory Gibson, Round Rock, 22.92; 4. Zecharius Nash, Round Rock, 22.95; 5. Tyler Conway, Central, 23.58; 6. Zach Stance, Odessa Permian, 23.60.

1,600: 1. Paul Delgado, Del Rio, 4:25.50; 2. Caleb Hollfield, Round Rock, 4:27.90; 3. Cesar Moreno, Del Rio, 4:30.66; 4. Zac Cabrera, Central, 4:32.01; 5. Austin Watson, MHS, 4:34.01; 6. Ruben Guerra, MHS, 4:36.12.

1,600: 1. Round Rock 3:23.89; 2. Central 3:27.22; 3. Odessa Permian 3:28.00; 4. Lee 3:29.22; 5. El Paso Montwood 3:31.93; 6. Del Rio 3:37.16.

GIRLS
DIVISION III

Team standings: 1. Round Rock 182; 2. Lubbock Coronado 114.50; 3. Central 107; 4. Del Rio 60; 5. Midland High 50; 6. Lubbock Monterey 45; 7. Midland Lee 30; 8. El Paso Montwood 18; 9. Lake View 10.5.

High Jump: 1. Savannah Cognasi, Lubbock Coronado, 5-03; 2. Kala Green, Round Rock, 5-00; 3. Amiah Parson, Del Rio, 4-10; 4. Anderson, Bernajia, MHS, 4-10; 5. Destiny Dunn, Lubbock Coronado, 4-8; 6. Shazay Norris, Lubbock Monterey, 4-8.

Shot put: 1. Kasey Gladson, Del Rio, 37-11; 2. Brilyn Daniels, SA Central, 36-01.75; 3. Mariah Pacheco, Round Rock, 35-08.25; 4. Mya Lindsey, Lake View, 35-05; 5. Sheila Upshaw, Lubbock Coronado, 33-8; 6. Anais Hill, Round Rock, 33-05.

Triple jump: 1. Marisa Cruz, SA Central, 33-8.75; 2. Kala Green, Round Rock, 33-4.25; 3. Allie Holdridge, SA Central, 33-3; 4. Heavyn Burnett, Lee, 32-10.75; 5. (tie) Paula Nguyen, Lubbock Coronado, 32-3.25; Sophia Flores, SA Central, 32-3.25; Jada Clark, Lubbock Coronado, 32-03.25.

Long jump: 1. Shelby West, Round Rock, 17-06.25; 2. Ashley Hughes, Lubbock Coronado, 16-07; 3. Libby Clark, Round Rock, 15-11.50; 4. Ashley Rackow, Lee, 15-08.50; 5. Marisa Cruz, SA Central, 15-06.25; 6. Kaytlyn Hanvey, Lake View, 15-05.25.

Running events

3,200: 1. Ashley Driscoll, Round Rock, 11:28.11; 2. Diamante Gonzalez, Del Rio, 11:30.67; 3. Liz Romo, Del Rio, 11:49.76; 4. Linda Garcia, Del Rio, 12:24.31; 5. Anne Northcutt, Round Rock, 12:37.12; 6. Macey Beazley, Lubbock Coronado, 12:42.15.

400 relay: 1. Round Rock 49.84; 2. Lubbock Coronado 49.86; 3. Midland High 50.99; 4. San Angelo Central 51.36; 5. Lee 51.95; 6. Del Rio 52.15.

800: 1. Carissa Sato, Round Rock, 2:18.79; 2. Lauren Landry, Lubbock Monterey, 2:18.80; 3. Sabrina Desantiago, Lubbock Monterey, 2:26.60; 4. Niyah Kuhlmann, SA Central, 2:29.65; 5. Anabel Gil, El Paso Montwood, 2:30.51; 6. Grace Hilscher, Round Rock, 2:30.67.

Discus: 1. Sheila Upshaw, Lubbock Coronado, 108-2; 2. Shirs Reece, MHS, 103-6; 3. Samantha Stephens, SA Central, 103-06; 4. Mya Lindsey, Lake View, 97-10; 5. Anais Hill, Round Rock, 94-11; 6. Hannah Payne, Lee, 94-11.

800 relay: 1. Lubbock Coronado 1:45.82; 2. Round Rock 1:46.01; 3. Midland High 1:46.03; 4. Lee 1:49.33; 5. San Angelo Central 1:49.85; 6. El Paso Montwood 1:50.14.

400: 1. Ashley Hughes, Lubbock Coronado, 58.63; 2. Lauren Landry, Lubbock Monterey, 59.70; 3. Niyah Kuhlmann, SA Central, 1:00.14; 4. Jasmine Washington, Round Rock, 1:00.92; 5. Tierra Coverson, Lake View, 1:01.04; 6. Zoie Miller, Round Rock, 1:02.29.

300 hurdles: 1. Shelby West, Round Rock, 44.59; 2. Sophia Flores, SA Central, 45.14; 3. Jordan Dennis, Del Rio, 47.65; 4. Summer Manssor, El Paso Monterey, 48.81; 5. Kayci Meeks, Lubbock Coronado, 50.04; 6. Miranda Apolinar, Lubbock Monterey, 50.21.

200: 1. Haylee Hinson, Round Rock, 25.92; 2. Alexa Oliver, SA Central, 26.37; 3. Zakymbria Lewis, MHS, 26.76; 4. Anna Molinar, El Paso Montwood, 26.94; 5. Nia Sims, Lee, 27.11; 6. Jasmine Washington, Round Rock, 27.31.

1,600: 1. Ashley Driscoll, Round Rock, 5:18.90; 2. Liz Romo, Del Rio, 5:27.05; 3. Grace Hilscher, Round Rock, 5:30.13; 4. Diamante Gonzalez, Del Rio, 5:32.53; 5. Priscilla Verastegui, Del Rio, 5:36.31; 6. McKynsie Graham, Lubbock Monterey, 5:46.11.

1,600 relay: 1. Round Rock 3:59.48; 2. Lubbock Monterey 4:07.76; 3. Lubbock Coronado 4:08.26; 4. San Angelo Central 4:10.20; 5. Lee 4:10.21; 6. Del Rio 4:16.54.

MAX GOLDSMITH RELAYS
Friday
Mustang Bowl
Andrews

BOYS

Team standings: 1. Andrews 173.5; 2. Big Spring 101; 3. Greenwood 81; 4. Monahans 69; 5. Seminole 58.5; 6. Crane 42; 7. Alpine 30; 8. Presidio 25; 9. Denver City 17

Field events

Long jump: 1. Oscar Baeza, Presidio 20-2.5; 2. Tobyn Tannehill, Big Spring 20-1.5; 3. Braden Grimsley, Andrews 19-0; 4. T. Reyes, Greenwood 18-7; 5. Devin Fitzgerald, Andrews 18-3.5; 6. Jace Cordell, Andrews 18-0

Shot put: 1. Joe Moreno, Andrews 45-2.5; 2. Charlie Boling, Big Spring 45-0.25; 3. Javier Ramos, Presidio 43-1; 4. Cain, Greenwood 41-6; 5. Anthony Malho, Andrews 41-3.75; 6. Ethan Adams, Andrews 41-3.5

Discus: 1. Andre Martinez, Andrews 147-2.5; 2. Skelton, Greenwood 138-11; 3. Joe Moreno, Andrews 138-6; 4. Manriquez, Greenwood 136-1; 5. Ty Crabtree, Monahans 130-4.5; 6. Nick Connor, Big Spring 122-2.5

Triple jump: 1. John Ives, Andrews 41-6.75; 2. Justin Stone, Alpine 40-7.5; 3. Marcus Montez, Monahans 40-4.5; 4. T. Reyes, Greenwood 39-5; 5. Jace Cordell, Andrews 38-11.5; 6. Lopez, Greenwood 38-10.5

High jump: 1. Tate Kennedy, Big Spring 6-0; 2. Marcus Montez, Monahans 6-0; 3. Charles Green, Big Spring 5-10; 4. T. Reyes, Greenwood 5-10; 5. Chris Delay, Seminole 5-10; 6. Rocky Loewen, Seminole 5-8

Pole vault: 1. Jimmy Vaughan, Seminole 13-0; 2. Nathan Fuentes, Monahans 12-0; 3. Alex Hindman, Seminole 12-0; 4. Wigington, Greenwood 10-6

Running events

100: 1. (tie) Robert Ridge, Andrews 10.96; Cole McElroy, Denver City 10.96; 3. Daniel Espinoza, Andrews 10.97; 4. Kaleb Berry, Denver City 11.40; 5. Oscar Baeza, Presidio 11.41; 6. Devon Fitzgerald, Andrews 11.58

200: 1. Robyn Tannehill, Big Spring 21.93; 2. Braden Grimsley, Andrews 22.68; 3. Dylan Anderson, Monahans 22.81; 4. (tie) Daniel Jimenez, Andrews 23.02; Cole McElroy, Denver City 23.02; 6. John Holguin, Monahans 23.12

400: 1. Austin Sandoval, Crane 48.62; 2. Ryan Lopez, Big Spring 49.90; 3. Ian Gonzales, Big Spring, 50.65; 4. Reid, Greenwood 51.62; 5. Mavrick Thurman, Crane 51.84; 6. Oscar Baeza, Presidio 53.24

800: 1. Reid, Greenwood 2:03.18; 2. Fabian Velasco, Crane 2:05.52; 3. Edwin Anaya, Presidio 2:08.78; 4. Brookshire, Greenwood 2:08.87; 5. Joseph Valdez, Seminole 2:14.90; 6. Austin Stafford, Andrews 2:17.59

1,600: 1. Patrick Hillery, Alpine 4:50.09; 2. Hunter Hicks, Andrews 4:50.71; 3. Isaac Renteria, Monahans 4:51.59; 4. Cris Escalante, Crane 4:56.62; 5. Jacob Chapman, Andrews 4:59.84; 6. Daniel Espinoza, Andrews 5:02.43

3,200: 1. Patrick Hillery, Alpine, 10:26.00; 2. Hunter Hicks, Andrews 10:27.28; 3. Daniel Espinoza, Andrews 10:58.28; 4. Cris Escalante, Crane 11:10.66; 5. Jose Vargas, Big Spring 11:27.63; 6. Pablo Garcia, Crane 11:29.47

110 hurdles: 1. Trevor Greenfield, Seminole 14.53; 2. Hayden Event, Seminole 15.06; 3. John Ives, Andrews 15.62; 4. Rocky Loewen, Seminole 16.11; 5. T. Reyes, Greenwood 16.15; 6. Demetrius Rivas, Crane 17.00

300 hurdles: 1. Trevor Greenfield, Seminole 38.63; 2. John Ives, Andrews 38.85; 3. Devin Roberson, Big Spring 40.25; 4. Hayden Event, Seminole 41.12; 5. Justin Stone, Alpine 42.50; 6. Devon Marion, Denver City 43.24

400 relay: 1. Andrews (Daniel Jimenez, Dylan Gallegos, Jeremiah Madrid, Robert Ridge) 43.02; 2. Big Spring 44.18; 3. Monahans 45.02; 4. Greenwood 49.34.

800 relay: 1. Andrews (Jeremiah Madrid, Dylan Gallegos, Braden Grimsley, Robert Ridge) 1:30.46; 2. Monahans 1:32.84; 3. Greenwood 1:37.12.

1,600 relay: 1. Big Spring (Ian Gonzalez, Lorenzo Jones, Tobyn Tannehill, Ryan Lopez) 3:38.86; 2. Andrews 3:39.72; 3. Crane 3:53.59; 4. Greenwood 3:54.11; 5. Monahans 3:42.62; 6. Seminole 3:47.15

GIRLS

Team standings: 1. Andrews 157; 2. Big Spring 132; 3. Alpine 82; 4. Greenwood 91; 5. Monahans 41; (tie) Crane 39; Seminole 39; 8. Denver City 19; 9. Seminole 15

Field events

Long jump: 1. F. Roberson, Big Spring 16-3.5; 2. S. Ives, Andrews 15-6.5; 3. Jayde Thomas, Monahans 15-1.5; 4. Crystal Ruiz, Monahans 15-0.5; 5. K. Matthews, Big Spring 14-5.25; 6. Emilee Vogler, Greenwood 14-4.75

Shot put: 1. Amanda Bell, Greenwood 33-9.25; 2. T. Gardenhire, Andrews 31-10.25; 3. Alexis Amos, Monahans 31-8.25; 4. J. Lujan, Andrews 30-5.25; 5. D.Vanderbilt, Big Spring 29-6.5; 6. Baylee Lopez, Seminole 29-10.25

Discus: 1. Amanda Bell, Greenwood 109-3.5; 2. T. Gardenhire, Andrews 101-0; 3. Alexis Amos, Monahans 99-1; 4. Jennifer de la Rosa, Denver City 91-7.5; 5. J. Lujan, Andrews 89-10.5; 6. Taylor Medina, Alpine 89-10

Triple jump: 1. S. Ives, Andrews 33-0.5; 2. Sunderland, Greenwood 31-6.5; 3. Layne Banks, Greenwood 30-8.25; 4. Kaleigh Cloyd, Greenwood 30-4.75; 5. Alexis Huckabee, Monahans 30-4; 6. D. Mayez, Big Spring 30-3.5

High jump: 1. Morgan McKee, Greenwood 5-2; 2. Kaleigh Cloyd, Greenwood 5-0; 3. Yesenia Trinidad, Denver City 5-0; 4. J. Rodriquez, Big Spring 4-10; 5. E. Smith, Big Spring, 4-8; 6. Jayde Thomas, Monahans 4-6

Pole vault: 1. F. Roberson, Big Spring 8-0; 2. Yesenia Trinidad, Denver City 8-0; 3. Angela Cordova, Monahans 8-0; 4. E. Bean, Andrews 7-6; 5. Greenwood, Greenwood 7-6; 6. E. Smith, Big Spring 7-6

Running events

100: 1. Deziah Ervin, Alpine 12.16; 2. D. Vanderbilt, Big Spring 12.47; 3. M. Lopez, Andrews 12.59; 4. Maddi Grimmett, Alpine 12.90; 5. J. Rodriguez, Big Spring 12.91; 6. M. Lewis, Big Spring 12.92

200: 1. Deziah Ervin, Alpine 26.59; 2. E. Pollard, Big Spring 27.22; 3. Mathes Armanea, Greenwood 27.96; 4. Angie Santos, Crane 28.09; 5. C. Martinez, Andrews 28.18; 6. T. Lujan, Andrews 28.62

400: 1. F. Roberson, Big Spring 1:00.86; 2. Shelby Costable, Alpine 1:02.72; 3. Maggie Hillery, Alpine 1:03.81; 4. Nikki Loewen, Seminole 1:04.75; 5. Maribel Garcia, Crane 1:05.18; 6. D. Vanderbilt, Big Spring 1:06.46

800: 1. F. Roberson, Big Spring 2:32.65; 2. K. Torres, Andrews 2:36.96; 3. H. Haynes, Andrews 2:37.28; 4. Jordan Ramirez, Crane 2:41.09; 5. A. Infante, Andrews 2:42.78; 6. Berkley Baker, Crane 2:47.00

1,600: 1. Andrea Sanchez, Sundown 5:44.97; 2. V. Roman, Andrews 5:57.97; 3. Madi Leeman, Alpine 5:59.59; 4. H. Travis, Andrews, 6:01.97; 5. K. Alvarado, Big Spring 6:03.56; 6. S. Florez, Andrews 6:05.62

3,200: 1. Andrea Sanchez, Sundown 12:36.06; 2. K. Alvarado, Big Spring 12:36.46; 3. V. Roman, Andrews 13:27.90; 4. S. Florez, Andrews 13:28.87; 5. H. Travis, Andrews 13:29.27; 6. Madi Leeman, Alpine 13:42.09

100 hurdles: 1. S. Ives, Andrews 15.81; 2. Elena Cano, Alpine 16.15; 3. Madison Burtch, Seminole 17.62; 4. Crystal Ruiz, Monahans 17.75; 5. Emilee Vogler, Greenwood 17.84; 6. Katy Patterson, Denver City 17.85

300 hurdles: 1. Elena Cano, Alpine 47.31; 2. S. Ives, Andrews 50.43; 3. Jenna Legan, Sundown 51.09; 4. Emilee Vogler, Greenwood 53.11; 5. E Smith, Big Spring 54.21; 6. E. Bean, Andrews 55.06

400 relay: 1. Greenwood (Armanea Mathes, Morgan McKee, Sunderland, Oriana Ortiz) 50.02; 2. Big Spring 50.78; 3. Andrews 51.00; 4. Alpine 51.52; 5. Crane 52.27

800 relay: 1. Big Spring (M. Lewis, A. Mintor, J. Rodriguez, K. Matthews) 1:48.12; 2. Andrews 1:50.28; 3. Monahans 1:51.86; 4. Crane 1:52.00; 5. Seminole 1:55.21

1,600 relay: 1. Alpine (Elena Cano, Maggie Hillery, Grace Jahn, Shelby Costable) 4:13.40; 2. Andrews 4:14.81; 3. Big Spring 4:16.09; 4. Monahans 4:26.24; 5. Crane 4:37.06.

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Texas guard Isaiah Taylor (1) and forward Connor Lammert (21) walk off the court after a third-round game of the NCAA Tournament on Saturday in Milwaukee.

Michigan beats Texas to advance to Sweet 16

By Jay Cohen
Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — Nik Stauskas and Michigan figured out the best way to overcome Texas' advantage inside.

Just keeping hitting from long range.

Stauskas made four of Michigan's 14 3-pointers, and the Wolverines beat Longhorns 79-65 on Saturday to advance to the NCAA tournament's Sweet 16 for the second straight year.

Stauskas finished with 17 points and eight assists as Michigan (27-8) moved on to next week's Midwest Regional semifinals in Indianapolis. The second-seeded Wolverines will face the winner of Sunday's Mercer-Tennessee game.

Michigan lost to Louisville in the national championship game a year ago. But the Wolverines are rolling again, thanks to strong outside shooting and Jordan Morgan's work inside.

Isiah Taylor scored 22 points for Texas on 8-for-22 shooting. The seventh-seeded Longhorns (24-11) outrebounded the Wolverines 41-30, but got off to a slow start and never recovered.

Michigan shot 14 for 28 from 3-point range and 17 for 21 at the free throw line in its ninth win in the last 10 games. Morgan had 15 points and 10 rebounds,

Wolverines	**79**
Longhorns	**65**

and Caris LeVert and Glenn Robinson III had 14 points each.

Texas trailed by 18 points early in the second half, but used its defense and rebounding to get back in the game. Martez Walker hit two free throws and Taylor had a jumper to trim Michigan's lead to 58-52 with 8 minutes left.

That's when Robinson stepped up for the Wolverines, driving inside for a score. After Connor Lammert turned it over for the Longhorns, Robinson hit a 3-pointer to make it 63-52 with 6:43 remaining.

LeVert added a big 3 in the final minutes, helping Michigan overcome its trouble inside in the second half. The Longhorns outrebounded the Wolverines 25-15 after halftime.

Michigan was coming off a 57-40 victory over Wofford, while Texas advanced with a dramatic 87-85 victory over Arizona State in the late game Thursday night. The Longhorns and Sun Devils were tied in the final seconds when Cameron Ridley picked up a loose ball and banked it in as time expired.

It might have been the completely different games in the previous round or just Michigan's advantage in tournament experience, but the Wolverines jumped all over the Longhorns at the start.

Baylor beat WKU with two 30-point scorers

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

WACO — Nina Davis had 32 points and 10 rebounds in her first NCAA tournament debut and Odyssey Sims scored 31 points for Baylor in an 87-74 first-round victory over Western Kentucky on Saturday night.

With coach Kim Mulkey watching the game from her house while serving an NCAA suspension, the Lady Bears (30-4) advanced behind the big scoring games by the Big 12's top freshman and their most-experienced player.

Western Kentucky (24-9) led only once, but that was for less than a half-minute in the first half before Davis and Sims combined for all the Baylor points in a 14-4 run.

The only Baylor player ever with a 30-point game in the NCAA tournament had been Brittney Griner, who had five of them with a high of 40. It was the first time a pair of teammates had scored more than 30 points in an NCAA women's game since Gonzaga did it in 2011 according to STATS.

Baylor hadn't had two 30-pointer scorers since Danielle Crockrom and Sheila Lambert in a Big 12 game against Missouri on Feb. 18, 2001, during Mulkey's first season with the Lady Bears.

Mulkey served a one-game suspension for criticizing the officiating after the then-defending national champion Lady Bears' upset loss to Louisville in a very physical Sweet Sixteen game last March. Associate head coach Bill Brock filled in and is now 2-0 in his career when he's had to coach in Mulkey's place — he also did when Mulkey was ill during a regular-season game 10 years ago.

Davis made 11 of 13 field goals and 10 of 16 free throws. Sims, in her 14th NCAA tournament game, was 11-of-20 shooting with four 3-pointers.

The Lady Bears play Monday night against No. 7 seed California (22-9), which beat Fordham 64-63 in the earlier game Saturday at the Ferrell Center.

Chastity Gooch had 23 points for the Lady Toppers, and Sun Belt top freshman Kendall Noble had 21. Blanca McGee had 18 points that included four 3s.

Western Kentucky had its only lead after Gooch scored the first eight points in an 11-2 run. The Lady Toppers went ahead 28-27 on McGee's 3 with 6:43 left in the first half after Gooch had made a 3-pointer, a three-point play and a layup the previous 4 minutes.

Lady Bears	**87**
Lady Toppers	**74**

MEN'S NCAA TOURNAMENT ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

SOUTH REGIONAL
FLORIDA 61
PITTSBURGH 45

ORLANDO, Fla. — Scottie Wilbekin scored 21 points and top-seeded Florida beat Pittsburgh 61-45 in the NCAA tournament Saturday, advancing to the Sweet 16 for the fourth consecutive year.

Patric Young added seven points and eight rebounds for the Gators, who extended their school record for consecutive wins to 28 with the victory in the South Regional.

Coming off a lackluster performance in its NCAA opener, Florida (34-2) played with considerably more energy and intensity against the Panthers (26-10).

Wilbekin and Young spearheaded the effort. The Gators were 5 of 20 from behind the arc, with at least five of those rimming in and out.

Florida advanced to the round of 16, where it will play either fourth-seeded UCLA or 12th-seeded Stephen F. Austin on Thursday in Memphis, Tenn. The Bruins and Lumberjacks play Sunday in San Diego.

Talib Zanna led the Panthers with 10 points, their only player in double figures.

DAYTON 55
SYRACUSE 53

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Dyshawn Pierre scored 14 points and Jordan Sibert hit a key 3-pointer with 47.7 seconds left as Dayton stunned Syracuse 55-53 Saturday night to earn a spot in Sweet 16 for the first time in three decades.

Syracuse was poised to pull out another close victory, but Tyler Ennis' 3-point attempt clanged off the rim at the buzzer.

Dayton (25-10), the 11th seed in the South Regional, advances to the regional semifinals next week and will play Kansas or Stanford.

The third-seeded Orange (28-6), who finished second in their first year in the Atlantic Coast Conference, struggled all game against the swarming Dayton defense, missing all 10 attempts from beyond the arc, while the Flyers hit seven times from long range.

EAST REGIONAL
MICHIGAN STATE 80
HARVARD 73

SPOKANE, Wash. — Branden Dawson scored a career-high 26 points to help fourth-seeded Michigan State fend off a wild Harvard rally.

The 12th-seeded Crimson (27-5) trailed by 16 early in the second half but took a 62-60 lead when Laurent Rivard hit a 3-pointer with 7:12 remaining. Travis Trice answered with a 3 of his own on the next possession, and the Spartans (28-8) never trailed again.

Michigan State made it to the Sweet 16 for the 12th time in 17 years. Gary Harris had 18 points and five assists for the Spartans, who will play top-seeded Virginia or No. 8 seed Memphis next Friday at Madison Square Garden in New York.

Wesley Saunders led Harvard with 22 points, two days after the Crimson won an NCAA tournament game for the second time in school history.

MIDWEST REGIONAL
LOUISVILLE 66,
SAINT LOUIS 51

Luke Hancock scored 21 points and defending national champion Louisville shrugged off a cold shooting performance to advance to the Sweet 16 for the third straight year.

The fourth-seeded Cardinals (31-5) shot under 45 percent, had 19 turnovers and only got 11 points from star Russ Smith. It didn't matter with the fifth-seeded Billikens (27-7) going 0 for 15 from 3-point range and struggling to take care of the ball.

Louisville moves on against either No. 1 seed Wichita State or No. 8 seed Kentucky. The unbeaten Shockers and Wildcats meet Sunday in St. Louis.

Saint Louis, which has never been to the Sweet 16, lost in the third round of the tournament for the third consecutive year. Dwayne Evans led the Billikens with 16 points and Atlantic 10 player of the year Jordair Jett finished with 15.

WEST REGIONAL
SAN DIEGO STATE 63
NORTH DAKOTA STATE 44

SPOKANE, Wash. — Xavier Thames scored 30 points, and fourth-seeded San Diego State reached the round of 16 for the second time in school history.

The Aztecs (31-4) now get to make the short drive up the interstate to Anaheim, Calif., where they will face either No. 1 seed Arizona or eighth-seeded Gonzaga in the West Regional semifinals.

WISCONSIN 85
OREGON 77

MILWAUKEE — Ben Brust hit a go-ahead 3-pointer with 1:07 left and second-seeded Wisconsin overcame seventh-seeded Oregon to reach the Sweet 16.

Brust's clutch 3 from the corner gave the Badgers (28-7) the lead for good in a heavyweight fight of an NCAA tournament game. They will play third-seeded Creighton or No. 6 seed Baylor in the regional semifinals.

TOURNAMENT SCORES AND SCHEDULES

Men

NCAA Tournament Glance
FIRST ROUND
At UD Arena
Dayton, Ohio
Tuesday, March 18
Albany (N.Y.) 71, Mount St. Mary's 64
N.C. State 74, Xavier 59
Wednesday, March 19
Cal Poly 81, Texas Southern 69
Tennessee 78, Iowa 65, OT
EAST REGIONAL
Second Round
Thursday, March 20
At First Niagara Center
Buffalo, N.Y.
UConn 89, Saint Joseph's 81, OT
Villanova 73, Milwaukee 53
At Spokane Arena
Spokane, Wash.
Harvard 61, Cincinnati 57
Michigan State 93, Delaware 78
Friday, March 21
At PNC Arena
Raleigh, N.C.
Memphis 71, George Washington 66
Virginia 70, Coastal Carolina 59
At The AT&T Center
San Antonio
North Carolina 79, Providence 77
Iowa State 93, North Carolina Central 75
Third Round
Saturday, March 22
At First Niagara Center
Buffalo, N.Y.
Villanova (29-4) vs. UConn (27-8), late
At Spokane Arena
Spokane, Wash.
Michigan State 80, Harvard 73
Today
At PNC Arena
Raleigh, N.C.
Virginia (29-6) vs. Memphis (24-9), 7:40 p.m.
At The AT&T Center
San Antonio
Iowa State (27-7) vs. North Carolina (24-9), 4:15 p.m.
Regional Semifinals
At Madison Square Garden
New York
Friday, March 28
Villanova-UConn winner vs. Iowa State-North Carolina winner
Michigan State (28-8) vs. Virginia-Memphis winner
Regional Championship
Sunday, March 30
Semifinal winners
SOUTH REGIONAL
Second Round
Thursday, March 20
At First Niagara Center
Buffalo, N.Y.
Dayton 60, Ohio State 59
Syracuse 77, Western Michigan 53
At The Amway Center
Orlando, Fla.
Pittsburgh 77, Colorado 48
Florida 67, Albany (N.Y.) 55
Friday, March 21
At Scottrade Center
St. Louis
Stanford 58, New Mexico 53
Kansas 80, Eastern Kentucky 69
At Viejas Arena
San Diego
Stephen F. Austin 77, VCU 75, OT
UCLA 76, Tulsa 59
Third Round
Saturday
At First Niagara Center
Buffalo, N.Y.
Dayton 55, Syracuse 53
At The Amway Center
Orlando, Fla.
Florida 61, Pittsburgh 45
Today
At Scottrade Center
St. Louis
Kansas (25-9) vs. Stanford (22-12), 11:15 a.m.
At Viejas Arena
San Diego
UCLA (27-8) vs. Stephen F. Austin (32-2), 6:10 p.m.
Regional Semifinals
At FedExForum
Memphis, Tenn.
Thursday, March 27
Dayton (25-10) vs. Kansas-Stanford winner
Florida (34-2) vs. UCLA-Stephen F. Austin winner
Regional Championship
Saturday, March 29
Semifinal winners
MIDWEST REGIONAL
Second Round
Thursday, March 20
At The Amway Center
Orlando, Fla.
Saint Louis 83, N.C. State 80, OT
Louisville 71, Manhattan 64
At BMO Harris Bradley Center
Milwaukee
Michigan 57, Wofford 40
Texas 87, Arizona State 85
Friday, March 21
At PNC Arena
Raleigh, N.C.
Mercer 78, Duke 71
Tennessee 86, UMass 67
At Scottrade Center
St. Louis
Wichita State 64, Cal Poly 37
Kentucky 56, Kansas State 49
Third Round
Saturday
At The Amway Center
Orlando, Fla.
Louisville 66, Saint Louis 51
At BMO Harris Bradley Center
Milwaukee
Michigan 79, Texas 65
Today
At PNC Arena
Raleigh, N.C.
Mercer (27-8) vs. Tennessee (23-12), 5:10 p.m.
At Scottrade Center
St. Louis
Wichita State (35-0) vs. Kentucky (25-10), 1:45 p.m.
Regional Semifinals
At Lucas Oil Stadium
Indianapolis
Friday, March 28
Wichita State—Kentucky winner vs. Louisville (31-6)
Michigan (27-9) vs. Mercer-Tennessee winner
Regional Championship
Sunday, March 30
Semifinal winners
WEST REGIONAL
Second Round
Thursday, March 20
At BMO Harris Bradley Center
Milwaukee
Wisconsin 75, American 35
Oregon 87, BYU 68
At Spokane Arena
Spokane, Wash.
North Dakota State 80, Oklahoma 75, OT
San Diego State 73, New Mexico State 69, OT
Friday, March 21
At The AT&T Center
San Antonio
Baylor 74, Nebraska 60
Creighton 76, Louisiana-Lafayette 66
At Viejas Arena
San Diego
Arizona 68, Weber State 59
Gonzaga 85, Oklahoma State 77
Third Round
Saturday
At BMO Harris Bradley Center
Milwaukee
Wisconsin 85, Oregon 77
At Spokane Arena
Spokane, Wash.
San Diego State 63, North Dakota State 44
Today
At The AT&T Center
San Antonio
Creighton (27-7) vs. Baylor (25-11), 6:40 p.m.
At Viejas Arena
San Diego
Arizona (31-4) vs. Gonzaga (29-6), 8:40 p.m.
Regional Semifinals
At The Honda Center
Anaheim, Calif.
Thursday, March 27
Wisconsin (28-7) vs. Creighton-Baylor winner
San Diego State (31-4) vs. Arizona-Gonzaga winner
Regional Championship
Saturday, March 29
Semifinal winners
FINAL FOUR
At AT&T Stadium
Arlington
National Semifinals
Saturday, April 5
East champion vs. South champion
Midwest champion vs. West champion
National Championship
Monday, April 7
Semifinal winners
National Invitation Tournament Glance
First Round
Tuesday, March 18
Robert Morris 89, St. John's 78
Florida State 58, Florida Gulf Coast 53
Georgetown 77, west Virginia 65
Belmont 80, Green Bay 65
Minnesota 88, High Point 81
Clemson 78, Georgia State 66
Arkansas 91, Indiana State 71
Missouri 85, Davidson 77
Saint Mary's (Calif.) 70, Utah 58
Wednesday, March 19
Illinois 66, Boston University 52
Louisiana Tech 89, Iona 88
Georgia 63, Vermont 56
Southern Miss 66, Toledo 59
SMU 68, UC Irvine 54
LSU 71, San Francisco 63
California 77, Utah Valley 64
Second Round
Friday, March 21
Belmont 82, Robert Morris 71
Saturday
Louisiana Tech 79, Georgia 71
Today
Illinois (20-14) at Clemson (21-12), 10 a.m.
Saint Mary's (Calif.) (23-11) at Minnesota (21-13), 2 p.m.
Southern Miss (28-6) at Missouri (23-11), 4 p.m.
Monday
Georgetown (18-14) at Florida State (20-13), 6 p.m.
LSU (20-13) at SMU (24-9), 8 p.m.
Arkansas (22-11) at California (20-13), 10 p.m.
College Baseball Invitational Glance
Quarterfinals
First Round
Tuesday, March 18
Siena 66, Stony Brook 55
Wednesday, March 19
Penn State 69, Hampton 65
Old Dominion 72, South Dakota State 65
Texas A&M 59, Wyoming 43
Princeton 56, Tulane 55
Illinois State 77, Morehead State 67
Fresno State 61, UTEP 56
Radford 96, Oregon State 92
Monday
Penn State (16-17) at Siena (16-17), 6 p.m.
Radford (22-12) at Old Dominion (17-17), 6 p.m.
Texas A&M (18-15) at Illinois State (17-15), 7:05 p.m.
Princeton (21-8) at Fresno State (18-16), 9 p.m.
CollegeInsider.com Tournament Glance
First Round
Monday, March 17
Holy Cross 68, Brown 65
Tuesday, March 18
VMI 111, Canisius 100
Wright State 73, East Carolina 59
Eastern Michigan 58, Norfolk State 54
ETSU 79, Chattanooga 66
Columbia 58, Valparaiso 56
Sam Houston State 71, Alabama State 49
San Diego 87, Portland State 65
Wednesday March 19
Yale 69, Quinnipiac 68
Towson 63, S.C. Upstate 60
Ohio 64, Cleveland State 62
(PPW 97, Akron 91
Murray State 66, Missouri State 63
Nebraska-Omaha 91, North Dakota 75
Texas A&M Corpus Christi 82, Northern Colorado 71
Pacific 69, Grand Canyon 67
Second Round
Friday, March 21
Towson 83, ETSU 77
Saturday
VMI 106, IPFW 95
Ohio 56, Wright State 54
Yale 71, Holy Cross 66
Columbia 69, Eastern Michigan 56
San Diego 77, Sam Houston State 72
Pacific 89, Texas A&M C.C. 60
Monday
Nebraska-Omaha (17-14) at Murray State (19-11), 7 p.m.
NCAA Div. II Basketball Tournament Glance
Third Round
Monday, March 17
At San Bernardino, Calif.
Cal State Chico 61, Cal State Stanislaus 60
Tuesday, March 18
At New Haven, Conn.
S. Connecticut 76, Saint Anselm 72
At Mankato, Minn.
Central Missouri 60, NW Missouri St. 59, OT
At Lakeland, Fla.
Tuskegee 60, Delta State 59
At Denver
Metro State 76, Midwestern State 56
At Springfield, Mo.
Drury 71, Michigan Tech 57
At East Stroudsburg, Pa.
West Liberty 69, East Stroudsburg 62
At Aiken, S.C.
S. Carolina Aiken 84, Montevallo 73
Quarterfinals
At Evansville, Ind.
Wednesday
S. Connecticut vs. Central Missouri, 11 a.m.
Tuskegee vs. Metro State, 1:30 p.m.
Drury vs. West Liberty, 5 p.m.
Cal State Chico vs. S. Carolina Aiken, 7:30 p.m.
NCAA Division III Men's Basketball Glance
At Salem (Va.) Civic Center
Semifinals
Friday, March 21
Wisconsin-Whitewater 71, Illinois Wesleyan 63
Williams 98, Amherst 69
Championship
Saturday
Wisconsin-Whitewater 75, Williams 73
NAIA Division I Men's Basketball Glance
At Municipal Auditorium
Kansas City, Mo.
First Round
Quarterfinals
Saturday
Emmanuel 94, Cal State San Marcos 89, OT
St Gregory's 84, Freed-Hardeman 82
Vanguard 93, Georgetown (Ky.) 85
McMinnville Nazarene 66, St. Catharine (Ky.) 73
Semifinals
Monday
Emmanuel (32-3) vs. St. Gregory's (24-9), 6 p.m.
Vanguard (30-6) vs. McMinnville Nazarene (26-10), 8 p.m.
Championship
Tuesday, March 25
Semifinals winners, 7 p.m.

Women

NCAA Basketball Tournament Glance
LINCOLN REGIONAL
Saturday
At Durham, N.C.
Duke 87, Winthrop 45
DePaul 104, Oklahoma 100 At Los Angeles
Nebraska 74, Fresno State 55
BYU 72, N.C. State 57
Today
At Storrs, Conn.
Georgia (20-11) vs. Saint Joseph's (22-9), 4:30 p.m.
UConn (34-0) vs. Prairie View (14-17), 7 p.m.
At College Station
Gonzaga (29-4) vs. James Madison (28-5), 4:30 p.m.
Texas A&M (24-8) vs. North Dakota (22-9), 7 p.m.
Second Round
Monday
At Los Angeles
BYU (27-6) vs. Nebraska (26-6), TBA
At Durham, N.C.
DePaul (28-6) vs. Duke (26-6), 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday
At Storrs, Conn.
UConn-Prairie View winner vs. Georgia-Saint Joseph's winner, TBA
At College Station
Gonzaga-James Madison winner vs. Texas A&M-North Dakota winner, TBA
Regional Semifinals
At Lincoln, Neb.
Saturday, March 29
UConn-Prairie View-Georgia-Saint Joseph's winner vs. BYU-Nebraska winner, TBA
DePaul-Duke winner vs. Gonzaga-James Madison winner-Texas A&M-North Dakota winner, TBA Monday, March 31
Regional Championship
Semifinal winners, TBA
STANFORD REGIONAL
First Round
Saturday
At Ames, Iowa
Florida State 55, Iowa State 44
Stanford 81, South Dakota 62
Today
At Seattle
South Carolina (27-4) vs. Cal State Northridge (18-14), 4:30 p.m.
Middle Tennessee (29-4) vs. Oregon State (23-10), 5 p.m. At Chapel Hill, N.C.
Michigan State (22-9) vs. Hampton (28-4), 11:30 a.m.
North Carolina (24-9) vs. UT-Martin (24-7), 2 p.m.
At State College, Pa.
Penn State (22-7) vs. Wichita State (26-6), 11:30 a.m.
Dayton (23-7) vs. Florida (19-12), 2 p.m.
Second Round
Monday
At Ames, Iowa
Florida State (21-11) vs. Stanford (29-3), TBA
Tuesday
At Seattle
South Carolina-Cal State Northridge winner vs. Middle Tennessee-Oregon State winner, TBA
At Chapel Hill, N.C.
Michigan State-Hampton winner vs. North Carolina-UT-Martin winner, TBA At State College Pa.
Dayton-Florida winner vs. Penn State-Wichita State winner, TBA
Regional Semifinals
At Stanford, Calif.
Sunday, March 30
South Carolina-CS Northridge-Middle Tennessee-Oregon State winner vs. Michigan State-Hampton-North Carolina-UT-Martin winner, TBA
Florida State-Stanford winner vs. Dayton-Florida-Penn State-Wichita State winner, TBA
Regional Championship
Tuesday, April 1
Semifinal winners, TBA
NOTRE DAME REGIONAL
First Round
Saturday
At Toledo, Ohio
Arizona State 69, Vanderbilt 61
Notre Dame 93, Robert Morris 42
At West Lafayette, Ind.
Oklahoma State 61, Florida Gulf Coast 60, OT
Purdue 84, Akron 55 At Lexington, Ky.
Kentucky 106, Wright State 80
Syracuse 59, Chattanooga 53
At Waco
California 64, Fordham 63
Baylor 87, Western Kentucky 74
Second Round
Monday
At Toledo, Ohio
Notre Dame (33-0) vs. Arizona State (23-9), 5:30 p.m.
At West Lafayette, Ind.
Oklahoma State (24-8) vs. Purdue (22-9), 5:30 p.m.
At Lexington, Ky.
Syracuse (23-9) vs. Kentucky (25-8), 5:30 p.m.
At Waco
California (22-9) vs. Baylor (30-4), TBA
Regional Semifinals
At Notre Dame, Ind.
Saturday, March 29
Notre Dame-Arizona State winner vs. Oklahoma State-Purdue, TBA
Syracuse-Kentucky winner vs. California-Baylor winner, TBA Regional Championship
Monday, March 31
Semifinal winners, TBA
LOUISVILLE REGIONAL
First Round
Saturday
At Knoxville, Tenn.
Tennessee 70, Northwestern State 49
St. John's 71, Southern Cal 66
Today
At College Park, Md.
Maryland (24-6) vs. Army (25-7), 11:30 a.m.
Texas (21-11) vs. Pennsylvania (22-6), 2 p.m.
At Iowa City, Iowa
Louisville (30-4) vs. Idaho (25-8), 4:30 p.m.
Iowa (26-8) vs. Marist (27-6), 7 p.m.
At Baton Rouge, La.
LSU (19-12) vs. Georgia Tech (26-11), 11:30 a.m.
West Virginia (29-4) vs. Albany (N.Y.) (28-4), 2 p.m.
Second Round
Monday
At Knoxville, Tenn.
Tennessee (27-5) vs. St. John's (23-10), TBA
Tuesday
At College Park, Md.
Texas-Pennsylvania winner vs. Maryland-Army winner, TBA At Iowa City, Iowa
Iowa-Marist vs. Louisville-Idaho winner, TBA
At Baton Rouge, La.
LSU-Georgia Tech winner vs. West Virginia-Albany (N.Y.) winner, TBA
Regional Semifinals
At Louisville, Ky.
Sunday, March 30
Tennessee-St. John's winner vs. Texas-Pennsylvania-Maryland-Army winner, TBA
Iowa-Marist-Louisville-Idaho winner vs. LSU-Georgia Tech-West Virginia-Albany (N.Y.) winner, TBA Regional Championship
Tuesday, April 1
Semifinal winners, TBA
FINAL FOUR
At Nashville, Tenn.
National Semifinals
Lincoln regional champion vs. Stanford regional champion, TBA
Notre Dame regional champion vs. Louisville regional champion, TBA Sunday, April 6
National Championship
Tuesday, April 8
Semifinal winners, TBA
National Invitation Tournament Glance
First Round
Wednesday, March 19
Villanova 74, Quinnipiac 66
George Washington 86, East Carolina 68
Minnesota 82, Green Bay 80
Colorado 78, TCU 71
Montana 90, Washington State 78
Thursday, March 20
UPU 72, Central Michigan 66
Bowling Green 72, High Point 62
Indiana 68, Belmont 47
Auburn 78, Furman 64
Harvard 90, Iona 89
Rutgers 65, Delaware 61
Princeton 84, VCU 74
Seton Hall 63, American 60
Old Dominion 68, Navy 60
Stetson 70, Miami 63
Marquette 63, Indiana State 61
SMU 84, Texas Southern 72
South Dakota State 79, Butler 61
Creighton 77, Missouri 51
Northwestern 69, Ball State 65
Mississippi State 77, Tulane 68
Southern Miss 75, Lamar 60
San Diego 82, Cal Poly 59
Southern Utah 71, Colorado State 56
Oregon 90, Pacific 82
Friday, March 21
Michigan 86, Stony Brook 48
Duquesne 82, Mount St. Mary's 52
St. Bonaventure 81, Charlotte 62
South Florida 56, North Carolina A&T 50
Saint Mary's (Calif.) 75, Cal State Bakersfield 68 (TEP 74, Arkansas State 64
Washington 67, Hawaii 50
Second Round
Saturday
Indiana 72, Marquette 69
Southern Utah (23-9) at Colorado, 10:14, late
Today
George Washington (22-12) at Villanova, 2:30, Noon
Stetson (27-7) at South Florida (20-12), 1 p.m.
Princeton (20-13) at South Dakota State (23-9), 2 p.m.
UPU (23-9) at Northwestern, 16:15, 2 p.m.
Princeton (21-8) at Seton Hall (19-13), 4 p.m.
SMU (18-13) at Minnesota (21-12), 5 p.m.
Monday
Duquesne (20-12) at Michigan (19-13), 6 p.m.
Harvard (22-7) at Rutgers (23-9), 6 p.m.
Old Dominion (18-15) at Auburn (18-14), 6 p.m.
St. Bonaventure (24-10) at Bowling Green (28-4), 6 p.m.
Southern Miss (27-6) at Mississippi State (20-13), 7 p.m.
San Diego (23-8) at Montana (23-10), 8 p.m.
Saint Mary's (Calif.) (23-9) at UTEP (25-7), 8 p.m.
Washington (18-13) at Oregon (16-15), 9 p.m.
NCAA Div. II Basketball Tournament Glance
Third Round
Monday, March 17
At Hickory, N.C.
Limestone 74, Armstrong Atlantic 55
At Canyon
West Texas A&M 60, Colorado Mesa 56
At Searcy, Ark.
Concordia-St. Paul 70, Emporia State 67
At Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
Nova Southeastern 56, Tampa 53
At Glenville, W.Va.
Edinboro 82, Bloomsburg 76
At Pomona, Calif.
Cal Poly Pomona 75, Montana State Billings 68
At Waltham, Mass.
Bentley 83, LIU Post 62
At Springfield, Mo.
Drury 99, Wayne State (Mich.) 63
Quarterfinals
At Erie, Pa.
Tuesday
Limestone vs. West Texas A&M, 11 a.m.
Nova Southeastern vs. Concordia-St. Paul, 1:30 p.m.
Bentley vs. Drury, 5 p.m.
Edinboro vs. Cal Poly Pomona, 7:30 p.m.
NCAA Division III Basketball Glance
At Stevens Point, Wis.
Friday, March 21
Semifinals
FDU-Florham 42, Tufts 39
Whitman 85, Wis.-Whitewater 70
Saturday
Third Place
Wis.-Whitewater 72, Tufts 54
Championship
FDU-Florham 80, Whitman 72
NAIA Division I Basketball Glance
At Frankfort (Ky.) Convention Center
Quarterfinals
Saturday
Freed-Hardeman 68, Bethel (Tenn.) 48
Oklahoma City 79, Campbellsville 76
Wiley 75, Westminster (Utah) 58
John Brown 85, Loyola (La.) 83
Semifinals
Monday
Freed-Hardeman (35-1) vs. Oklahoma City (25-4), 5 p.m.
Wiley (30-4) vs. John Brown (29-7), 7 p.m.
Championship
Tuesday
Semifinals winners, 5:30 p.m.

Andrade shoots 65, grabs share of Champions lead

By David Brandt
Associated Press

SAUCIER, Miss. — Billy Andrade hasn't played much competitive golf over the past four years. It was hard to tell on Saturday.

The 50-year-old Andrade had the low round of the day, firing a 7-under 65 to jump into a tie for the lead with Fred Funk after the second round of the Mississippi Gulf Resort Classic at Fallen Oak.

Andrade made nine birdies on Saturday, including a stretch of six over seven holes midway through the round. The exclamation point came on the final hole, when he drained a 20-foot putt for birdie.

It's the second time in less than a year that Andrade has been in contention to win a tournament in the Magnolia State. He finished fifth at the Sanderson Farms Classic in Madison, Miss., last summer, which was easily his best finish in three starts on the PGA Tour last year.

"I have no idea what it is about Mississippi," Andrade said laughing. "But right now, I absolutely love it."

Andrade is playing in just his fourth Champions Tour event. His best finish was eighth place at the ACE Group Classic in February.

Fred Couples started the day with a two-stroke lead, but fell into a tie for second place after shooting a 71. Jay Haas and Jeff Maggert both had 69 to join Couples one stroke behind the leaders.

Andrade has been mostly on the sidelines the past four years, working part time as an analyst for the Golf Channel. He's started just eight tournaments on the PGA Tour since 2010 and said it's been nice to play several events in a row on the Champions Tour since he turned 50 to regain some consistency.

"It was kind of a swirly, windy day," Andrade said. "We didn't know if the wind was helping us or hurting us on some holes. But I got off to a nice start with a birdie on the first hole and then got into a nice rhythm."

Andrade and Funk are at 8-under 136 for the tournament. Funk shot a 67 on Saturday.

"I like coming here because it's a pretty difficult golf course and I like hard golf courses," Funk said. "When you're playing well, you try to get a little separation, although we're not too separated on the board right now."

NBA ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

ROCKETS 118
CAVALIERS 111
CLEVELAND — James Harden scored 37 points, including 17 in the third quarter, and Houston led from wire-to-wire in a victory over Cleveland.

Harden was 9 of 15 from the field, hit five 3-pointers, made all 14 of his free throws and had 11 assists without playing the fourth quarter after Houston built a 29-point lead late in the third.

BULLS 91
76ERS 81
CHICAGO — The Philadelphia 76ers' long losing streak continued and so did their march toward the wrong kind of record.

Joakim Noah finished with 20 points, Jimmy Butler scored 17, and the Chicago Bulls handed Philadelphia its 24th straight loss, winning 91-81 Saturday night and sending the 76ers within two of the NBA record.

PELICANS 105
HEAT 95
NEW ORLEANS — Anthony Davis had 30 points, 11 rebounds and three steals, and New Orleans handed struggling Miami its seventh loss in 11 games.

GRIZZLIES 82
PACERS 71
MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Mike Conley scored 21 points, Zach Randolph added 18 points and 13 rebounds, and Memphis held Indiana to its lowest point total of the season.

BOBCATS 124
TRAIL BLAZERS 94
CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Al Jefferson scored 28 points and two others finished with more than 20 as Charlotte routed Portland.

NBA STANDINGS & BOXES

STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	38	30	.559	—
Brooklyn	36	31	.537	1 1/2
New York	29	40	.420	9 1/2
Boston	23	47	.329	16
Philadelphia	15	55	.214	24

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Miami	47	21	.691	—
Washington	36	33	.522	11 1/2
Charlotte	34	36	.486	14
Atlanta	31	36	.463	15 1/2
Orlando	19	51	.271	29

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Indiana	51	19	.729	—
Chicago	39	31	.557	12
Cleveland	26	44	.371	25
Detroit	25	43	.368	25
Milwaukee	13	56	.188	37 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	52	16	.765	—
Houston	47	22	.681	5 1/2
Dallas	42	28	.600	11
Memphis	41	28	.594	11 1/2
New Orleans	29	40	.420	23 1/2

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	51	18	.739	—
Portland	45	25	.643	6 1/2
Minnesota	34	33	.507	16
Denver	31	38	.449	20
Utah	23	47	.329	28 1/2

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Clippers	48	21	.696	—
Golden State	44	26	.629	4 1/2
Phoenix	40	29	.580	8
Sacramento	24	45	.348	24
L.A. Lakers	22	46	.324	25 1/2

x-clinched playoff spot

Saturday's Scores

Charlotte 124, Portland 94
Houston 118, Cleveland 111
Chicago 91, Philadelphia 81
Memphis 82, Indiana 71
New Orleans 105, Miami 95
Utah 89, Orlando 88
San Antonio at Golden State late
Detroit at L.A. Clippers, late

Today's Games

Atlanta at Toronto, noon
Phoenix at Minnesota, 2:30 p.m.
Washington at Denver, 4 p.m.
Milwaukee at Sacramento, 5 p.m.
Brooklyn at Dallas, 6:30 p.m.
Cleveland at New York, 6:30 p.m.
Orlando at L.A. Lakers, 8:30 p.m.

SATURDAY'S BOXES

ROCKETS 118, CAVALIERS 111

HOUSTON (118): Parsons 7-17 0-0 16, Jones 4-5 5-7 14, Asik 4-8 1-2 9, Beverley 6-12 0-0 15, Harden 9-15 14-14 37, Motiejunas 5-5 1-1 11, Casspi 0-3 0-0 0, Lin 3-11 6-6 13, Hamilton 0-2 0-0 0, Canaan 0-1 3-4 3. Totals 38-79 30-34 118

CLEVELAND (111): Gee 4-6 0-0 9, Thompson 4-8 2-2 10, Hawes 1-7 1-2 3, Jack 5-13 1-1 11, Waiters 11-20 3-4 28, Deliavedova 5-11 1-1 14, Varejao 5-7 2-2 12, Zeller 10-16 3-5 23, Curry 1-3 0-0 3. Totals 46-91 13-17 111.

Houston	39	28	34	17—118
Cleveland	31	24	24	33—111

3-Point Goals—Houston 12-35 (Harden 5-8, Beverley 3-9, Parsons 2-7, Jones 1-2, Lin 1-5, Canaan 0-1, Hamilton 0-1, Casspi 0-2), Cleveland 8-15 (Deliavedova 3-4, Curry 1-1, Gee 1-2, Waiters 1-5, Varejao 0-1, Jack 0-1, Hawes 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Houston 37 (Asik 9), Cleveland 57 (Thompson 12). Assists—Houston 31 (Harden 11), Cleveland 33 (Deliavedova 10). Total Fouls—Houston 18, Cleveland 27. A—19,058 (20,562).

BOBCATS 124, TRAILBLAZERS 94

PORTLAND (94): Batum 2-5 0-0 6, Wright 6-12 5-5 17, Lopez 3-5 2-2 8, Lillard 7-19 3-3 20, Matthews 6-12 0-2 15, McCollum 3-9 4-6 12, Williams 1-5 1-2 3, Robinson 5-7 0-0 6, Barton 0-0 0-0 0, Leonard 0-4 0-2 0, Claver 1-3 0-0 2, Crabbe 2-3 0-0 5, Watson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 34-84 17-22 94.

CHARLOTTE (124): Kidd-Gilchrist 4-6 1-1 9, McRoberts 1-2 4-4 6, Jefferson 13-22 2-2 28, Walker 10-18 2-2 26, Henderson 9-11 5-5 23, Douglas-Roberts 4-12 3-3 11, Zeller 1-7 1-2 3, Neal 2-3 0-0 4, Ridnour 3-7 0-0 6, Biyombo 0-0 0-0 0, Pargo 3-5 0-0 8, White 0-0 0-0 0, Tolliver 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 49-94 19-19 124.

Portland	22	24	27	21—94
Charlotte	33	36	29	26—124

3-Point Goals—Portland 9-27 (Lillard 3-6, Batum 2-4, McCollum 2-5, Crabbe 1-1, Matthews 1-5, Leonard 0-1, Claver 0-1, Williams 0-1, Wright 0-3), Charlotte 8-19 (Walker 4-5, Henderson 2-2, Pargo 2-3, McRoberts 0-1, Tolliver 0-1, Ridnour 0-1, Jefferson 0-1, Douglas-Roberts 0-5). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Portland 44 (Wright, Batum 6), Charlotte 57 (Henderson 8). Assists—Portland 17 (Batum 6), Charlotte 28 (Jefferson, Walker 6). Total Fouls—Portland 18, Charlotte 19. Technicals—Charlotte defensive three second. A—18,706 (19,077).

GRIZZLIES 82, PACERS 71

INDIANA (71): George 2-10 3-4 8, West 5-15 0-0 10, Hibbert 2-5 0-0 4, G.Hill 2-7 0-0 4, Stephenson 6-11 1-2 15, Sloan 2-4 0-0 5, Turner 2-5 3-4 8, Mahinmi 1-1 2-2 4, Copeland 2-7 0-0 5, Scola 2-6 2-2 6, L.Allen 0-1 0-0 0, S.Hill 1-2 0-0 2, Butler 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 27-74 11-14 71.

MEMPHIS (82): Prince 1-6 0-0 2, Randolph 7-18 4-4 18, Gasol 4-11 2-3 10, Conley 9-15 2-4 21, Lee 2-3 0-0 4, T.Allen 3-7 1-2 7, Koufos 1-4 0-0 2, Miller 4-7 1-2 13, Calathes 1-3 0-0 2, Udrih 0-0 1-2 1, Lauer 1-1 0-0 2, Johnson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 33-75 11-17 82.

Indiana	17	13	19	22—71
Memphis	19	24	21	18—82

3-Point Goals—Indiana 6-15 (Stephenson 2-4, Sloan 1-2, George 1-2, Turner 1-2, Copeland 1-4, G.Hill 0-1), Memphis 5-13 (Miller 4-6, Conley 1-3, Lee 0-1, Calathes 0-1, Prince 0-1, T.Allen 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Indiana 42 (Stephenson 8), Memphis 56 (Randolph 13). Assists—Indiana 14 (G.Hill 5), Memphis 14 (Conley 4). Total Fouls—Indiana 19, Memphis 18. Technicals—Koufos A—18,119 (18,119).

PELICANS 105, HEAT 95

MIAMI (95): James 10-18 3-3 25, Bosh 5-10 2-2 12, Haslem 1-2 1-2 3, Chalmers 7-12 2-4 18, Douglas 1-3 0-0 3, Allen 5-10 2-2 10, Battier 1-5 0-0 2, Andersen 1-1 0-0 2, Cole 0-0 0-0 0, Beasley 8-12 0-0 18. Totals 37-73 13-17 95.

NEW ORLEANS (105): Babbitt 4-10 0-0 11, Aminu 5-8 2-2 12, Davis 13-22 4-5 30, Roberts 3-7 0-0 8, Evans 7-14 2-6 16, Rivers 3-6 3-4 9, Mornar 4-12 0-0 10, Stiemsma 0-0 0-0 0, Withey 1-1 0-0 2, Ajinca 3-4 1-2 7. Totals 42-84 12-17 105.

Miami	22	21	29	23—95
New Orleans	22	23	31	29—105

3-Point Goals—Miami 8-26 (Chalmers 3-6, James 2-4, Allen 2-9, Douglas 1-3, Battier 0-1, Bosh 0-3), New Orleans 7-17 (Babbitt 3-6, Mornar 2-3, Roberts 2-4, Aminu 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Miami 42 (James 8), New Orleans 44 (Davis 11). Assists—Miami 27 (James 9), New Orleans 23 (Evans 8). Total Fouls—Miami 19, New Orleans 14. A—18,185 (17,188).

BULLS 91, 76ERS 81

PHILADELPHIA (81): Thompson 1-5 4-4 6, Young 10-26 8-9 28, Sims 8-15 2-2 18, Carter-Williams 3-14 1-1 7, Anderson 2-5 0-4 7, Varnado 3-5 0-0 6, Williams 2-9 2-2 6, Johnson-Odom 0-2 0-0 0, Mullens 1-3 0-0 3, Nunnally 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 30-87 20-27 81.

CHICAGO (91): Dunleavy 2-8 2-2 6, Boozer 3-7 1-2 7, Noah 6-10 8-10 20, Hinrich 3-9 2-3 9, Butler 4-8 8-10 17, Augustin 5-11 3-5 16, Gibson 9-18 0-0 18, Mohammed 0-0 0-0 0, Snell 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 31-70 24-31 91.

Philadelphia	25	13	21	22—81
Chicago	20	21	24	26—91

3-Point Goals—Philadelphia 1-20 (Mullens 1-1, Sims 0-1, Nunnally 0-1, Johnson-Odom 0-1, Anderson 0-2, Carter-Williams 0-2, Thompson 0-2, Williams 0-4, Young 0-7), Chicago 5-14 (Augustin 3-4, Butler 1-3, Hinrich 1-3, Snell 0-1, Dunleavy 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Philadelphia 53 (Sims 15), Chicago 52 (Gibson 10). Assists—Philadelphia 11 (Carter-Williams 6), Chicago 23 (Augustin, Butler 6). Total Fouls—Philadelphia 23, Chicago 20. A—21,769 (20,917).

JAZZ 99, MAGIC 88

ORLANDO (88): Harkless 7-13 0-0 15, O'Quinn 2-5 2-2 6, Vucevic 8-15 0-0 16, Oladipo 5-14 8-10 19, Affalo 4-9 7-9 18, Dedmon 0-1 0-0 0, Harris 1-9 0-0 2, Moore 2-5 0-0 5, Large 1-3 1-1 3, Price 1-5 1-2 4. Totals 31-79 19-24 88.

UTAH (89): Jefferson 6-12 4-5 21, Favors 5-11 1-1 11, Kanter 4-13 3-4 11, Burke 5-15 4-6 17, Hayward 4-8 6-6 14, Williams 2-8 0-0 4, Garrett 3-6 2-2 11, Lucas III 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 29-75 20-26 89.

Orlando	16	27	18	27—88
Utah	27	22	17	23—89

3-Point Goals—Orlando 7-17 (Affalo 3-4, Oladipo 1-2, Harkless 1-3, Price 1-3, Moore 1-3, Large 0-2), Utah 11-27 (Jefferson 5-8, Garrett 3-5, Burke 3-7, Lucas III 0-1, Hayward 0-1, Williams 0-5). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Orlando 57 (Vucevic 13), Utah 48 (Favors 12). Assists—Orlando 20 (Affalo 6), Utah 17 (Hayward 6). Total Fouls—Orlando 23, Utah 20. Technicals—Orlando defensive three second A—19,228 (19,911).

GOLF SCORES

PGA

Bay Hill Scores
Saturday
At Bay Hill Club and Lodge Course
Orlando, Fla.
Purse: $6.2 million
Yardage: 7,419; Par: 72
Third Round
a-amateur

Adam Scott	67-68-71—206
Keegan Bradley	71-67-68—206
Matt Every	69-70-66—205
Jason Kokrak	67-71-67—205
Chesson Hadley	69-68-69—206
Francesco Molinari	67-70-69—206
Ian Poulter	68-71-69—208
Ryo Ishikawa	65-74-70—209
Morgan Hoffmann	67-71-71—209
Freddie Jacobson	71-68-70—209
J.B. Holmes	68-69-72—209
Pat Perez	70-70-70—210
Erik Compton	72-68-70—210
Aaron Baddeley	70-70-70—210
Matt Jones	71-69-71—211
Henrik Stenson	69-73-69—211
Sam Saunders	69-71-71—211
Charles Howell III	68-71-72—211
Graeme McDowell	68-72-71—211
Davis Love III	70-73-69—212
George McNeill	71-72-69—212
Patrick Reed	69-73-70—212
Brendan Steele	68-74-70—212
Kevin Na	70-71-71—212
Trevor Immelman	69-72-71—212
Kevin Chappell	71-70-71—212
Brandt Snedeker	67-71-74—212
Jamie Donaldson	67-71-74—212
Vijay Singh	72-73-68—213
Retief Goosen	70-75-68—213
Bryce Molder	72-72-69—213
Billy Horschel	70-74-69—213
Chris Kirk	69-72-72—213
Stewart Cink	71-70-72—213
Padraig Harrington	70-70-73—213
Lucas Glover	72-74-68—214
Gary Woodland	73-71-70—214
Charlie Beljan	72-72-70—214
Russell Knox	71-71-72—214
Chris Stroud	73-69-72—214
Seung-Yul Noh	72-68-74—214
David Lingmerth	75-71-69—215
Sean O'Hair	71-75-69—215
Marc Leishman	72-74-69—215
Nicholas Thompson	71-73-71—215
Peter Hanson	75-69-71—215
Brian Davis	70-74-71—215
David Hearn	70-72-73—215
Zach Johnson	71-71-73—215
Harris English	69-71-75—215
John Merrick	65-74-76—215
K.J. Choi	70-76-70—216
Rod Pampling	73-72-71—216
a-Zachary Olsen	73-71-72—216
Brooks Koepka	74-70-72—216
Danny Lee	71-72-73—216
Luke Guthrie	71-71-74—216
John Senden	72-74-71—217
Justin Hicks	78-68-71—217
Camilo Villegas	71-73-73—217
Briny Baird	72-71-74—217
Gonzalo Fdez-Castano	66-77-74—217
Jhonattan Vegas	70-72-75—217
Paul Casey	67-79-72—218
Jason Bohn	73-73-72—218
Will MacKenzie	71-75-72—218
Woody Austin	72-71-75—218
Ryan Moore	68-72-78—218
Chad Campbell	**69-77-73—219**
Greg Owen	76-69-74—219
Michael Putnam	70-75-74—219
Lee Janzen	72-73-74—219
Hunter Mahan	70-75-74—219
Cameron Tringale	70-74-75—219
Martin Laird	71-72-76—219
Brian Stuard	72-74-74—220
Tim Wilkinson	71-74-77—222

Champions Tour

Mississippi Gulf Resort Classic Scores
By The Associated Press
Saturday
At Fallen Oak
Biloxi, Miss.
Purse: $1.6 million
Yardage: 7,088; Par: 72
Second Round

Billy Andrade	71-65—136
Fred Funk	69-67—136
Jay Haas	68-69—137
Fred Couples	66-71—137
Jeff Maggert	68-69—137
Bill Glasson	71-67—138
Mark O'Meara	70-68—138
Duffy Waldorf	69-69—138
Tom Lehman	70-69—139
Roger Chapman	69-70—139
John Riegger	69-70—139
Colin Montgomerie	71-69—140
Bernhard Langer	71-69—140
Olin Browne	70-70—140
Scott Hoch	71-69—140
Mark McNulty	70-70—140
Michael Allen	68-72—140
Wes Short Jr.	73-68—141
Gene Sauers	73-68—141
Kirk Triplett	72-69—141
Russ Cochran	72-69—141
Bart Bryant	70-71—141
Anders Forsbrand	69-72—141
Scott Dunlap	69-72—141
Kenny Perry	68-73—141
Frank Esposito Jr.	74-69—143
Jim Rutledge	74-69—143
Tommy Armour III	74-69—143
Mike Goodes	73-70—143
Steve Pate	73-70—143
Tom Pernice Jr.	72-71—143
Loren Roberts	72-71—143
Joe Daley	72-71—143
Esteban Toledo	71-72—143
Rod Spittle	72-71—143
Jeff Sluman	70-73—143
Sandy Lyle	70-73—143
Tom Kite	69-74—143
Mike Reid	74-70—144
Ben Bates	73-71—144
Rocco Mediate	72-72—144
Jim Thorpe	70-74—144
Corey Pavin	76-69—145
Joey Sindelar	74-71—145
Peter Senior	74-71—145
Bobby Clampett	73-72—145
Brian Henninger	73-72—145
Mark Calcavecchia	72-73—145
Bob Friend	72-73—145
Larry Nelson	78-68—146
Scott Simpson	75-71—146
Nick Faldo	74-72—146
Mark Brooks	74-72—146
Brad Faxon	74-72—146
Mark Mouland	74-72—146
Craig Stadler	73-73—146
John Inman	77-70—147
Sonny Skinner	75-72—147
Andrew Magee	75-72—147
Brad Bryant	73-74—147
Rick Fehr	70-77—147
Larry Mize	76-72—148
Kohki Idoki	75-73—148
Jim Gallagher Jr.	75-73—148
Bob Tway	73-75—148
Bobby Wadkins	78-71—149
Jeff Hart	75-74—149
Willie Wood	75-74—149
Greg Bruckner	74-75—149
Nick Price	74-75—149
Steve Lowery	73-76—149
Dana Quigley	72-77—149
Tom Byrum	72-78—150
Jose Coceres	79-72—151
Dan Forsman	77-74—151
Bob Gilder	76-77—153
Ben Crenshaw	76-77—153
Gary Hallberg	79-75—154
Chien Soon Lu	80-75—155
Tom Purtzer	79-78—157
David Frost	DQ

LPGA

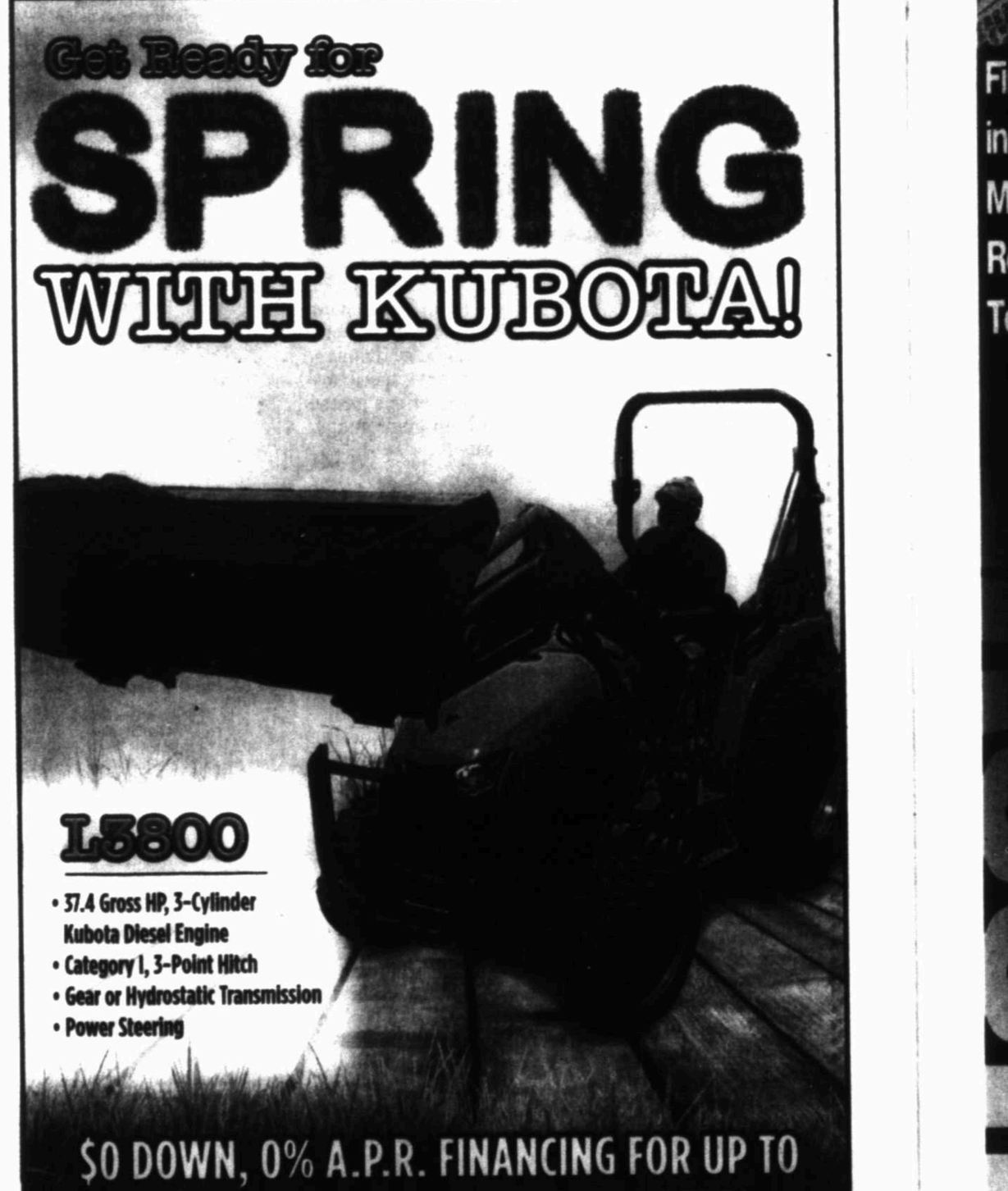
JTBC Founders Cup Scores
Saturday
At JW Marriott Phoenix Desert Ridge Resort & Spa, Wildfire Golf Club Course
Phoenix
Purse: $1.5 million
Yardage: 6,583; Par: 72
Third Round

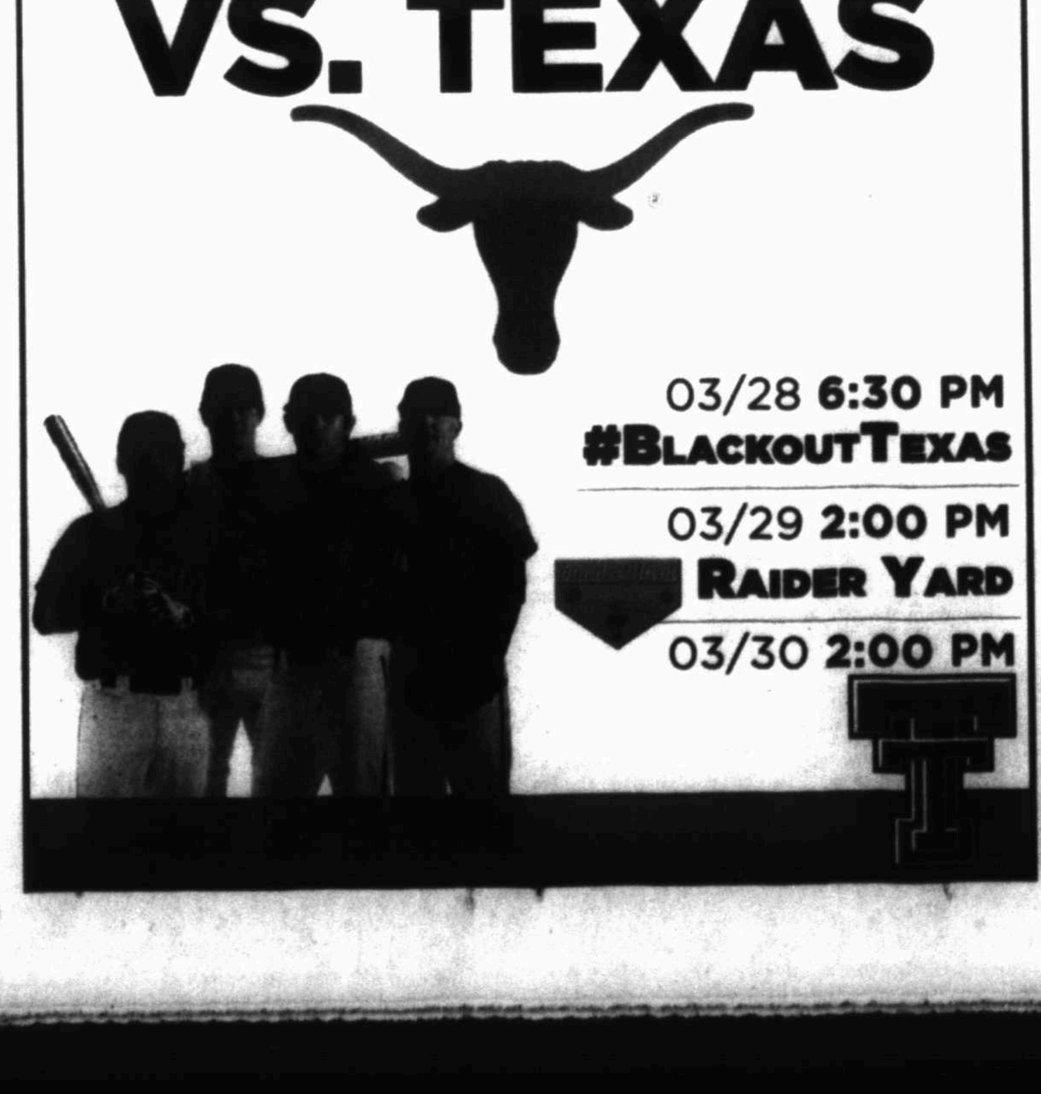
Lydia Ko	67-66-67—200
Jessica Korda	69-66-66—201
Mirim Lee	64-67-70—201
Suh Young Ahn	69-65-68—202
Azahara Munoz	68-71-64—203
Michelle Wie	66-70-67—203
Amy Yang	67-69-67—203
Chella Choi	69-66-68—203
So Yeon Ryu	68-67-68—203
Paula Creamer	70-70-64—204
Stacy Lewis	66-71-67—204
Morgan Pressel	65-72-67—204
Cristie Kerr	73-69-63—205
Laura Davies	68-71-66—205
Jaye Marie Green	70-68-67—205
Pornanong Phatlum	67-71-67—205
Lee Thompson	69-69-67—205
Lizette Salas	69-67-69—205
Inbee Park	66-69-70—205
Jenna Piller	66-73-67—206
Candie Kung	70-68-68—206
Karrie Webb	66-71-69—206
Hee Kyung Seo	71-71-65—207
Caroline Masson	71-71-66—207
Hannah Jun Maddock	72-68-67—207
Mika Miyazato	68-71-68—207
Beien Mozo	70-68-69—207
Hee Young Park	71-65-69—207
Jodi Ewart Shadoff	67-69-71—207
Jenny Suh	73-69-66—208
Pree Lee	71-70-67—208
Ji Young Oh	69-70-69—208
Heather Bowie Young	68-70-70—208
Shanshan Feng	71-70-68—209
Brittany Lang	72-69-68—209
Erica Popson	69-72-68—209
Mina Harigae	70-70-69—209
P.K. Kongkraphan	71-69-69—209
Lindsey Wright	69-71-69—209
Mo Martin	67-71-71—209
Haru Nomura	67-71-71—209
Tiffany Joh	73-66-70—209
Sandra Gal	72-69-69—210
Jennifer Johnson	68-73-69—210
Katie Futcher	68-72-70—210
Karine Icher	72-68-70—210
Jennifer Kirby	69-71-70—210
Suzann Pettersen	68-72-70—210
Dewi Claire Schreefel	70-70-70—210
Jenny Shin	68-71-71—210
Line Vedel	70-69-71—210
Eun-Hee Ji	66-70-74—210
Moriya Jutanugarn	70-72-69—211
Marina Alex	70-71-70—211
Seon Hwa Lee	72-69-70—211
Hee-Won Han	68-72-71—211
A. Miyazato	71-69-71—211
Meena Lee	68-71-72—211
Victoria Elizabeth	71-67-73—211
Pernilla Lindberg	66-72-73—211
Julieta Granada	72-70-70—212
Christina Kim	69-73-70—212
I.K. Kim	67-74-71—212
Ayako Uehara	69-72-71—212
Nicole Castrale	71-69-72—212
Becky Morgan	73-66-73—212
Se Ri Pak	75-66-72—213
Kristy McPherson	69-71-73—213
Sarah Jane Smith	69-69-75—213
Alison Walshe	68-74-72—214
Alex Stewart	72-68-74—214
Anna Nordqvist	72-66-76—214
Catriona Matthew	66-74-75—215
Jeong Jang	72-68-76—216

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Panama Claro Championship Scores
Saturday
At Panama Golf Club Course
Panama City
Purse: $625,000
Yardage: 7,171; Par: 70
Third Round

Aron Price	66-68-69—203
Carlos Ortiz	70-68-66—204
Steve Allan	71-66-67—204
Roland Thatcher	73-64-67—204
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PUBLISHES ON:	DEADLINE IS:
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Tuesday	3p.m. Friday

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LEGAL NOTICE:
This Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off game will close on April 20, 2014. You have until October 17, 2014 to redeem any ticket for this game: **#1433 $200 Million Cash Spectacular ($10) overall odds are 1 in 3.56.** This Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off game will close on April 21, 2014. You have until October 18, 2014 to redeem any ticket for this game: **#1554 Weekly Half Grand ($1) overall odds are 1 in 4.58.** This Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off game will close on April 26, 2014. You have until October 23, 2014 to redeem any ticket for this game: **#1563 Season's Greetings ($2) overall odds are 1 in 4.38.** These Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off games will close on May 28, 2014. You have until November 24, 2014 to redeem any tickets for these games: **#1560 Holiday Cheer ($1) overall odds are 1 in 4.42, #1453 Monthly Bonus ($5) overall odds are 1 in 3.94, #1561 Sapphire 7's ($5) overall odds are 1 in 3.38, #1564 Trim The Tree ($5) overall odds are 1 in 3.83.**The odds listed here are the overall odds of winning any prize in a game, including break-even prizes. Lottery retailers are authorized to redeem prizes of up to and including $599. Prizes of $600 or more must be claimed in person at a Lottery Claim Center or by mail, with a completed Texas Lottery claim form; however, annuity prizes or prizes over $1,000,000 must be claimed in person at the Commission Headquarters in Austin. Call Customer Service at **1-800-37LOTTO** or visit the Lottery Web site at **txlottery.org** for more information and location of nearest Claim Center. The Texas Lottery is not responsible for lost or stolen tickets, or for tickets lost in the mail. Tickets, transactions, players, and winners are subject to, and players and winners agree to abide by, all applicable laws. Commission rules, regulations, policies, directives, instructions, conditions, procedures, and final decisions of the Executive Director. A Scratch-Off game may continue to be sold even when all the top prizes have been claimed. Must be 18 years of age or older to purchase a Texas Lottery ticket. PLAY RESPONSIBLY. The Texas Lottery supports Texas education. © 2014 Texas Lottery Commission. All rights reserved.

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OPEN ENROLLMENT REQUEST FOR APPLICATION

PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS (PBCC) is the Department of State Health Services designated Mental Health Authority established to plan, coordinate, develop policy, develop and allocate resources, supervise, and ensure the provision of community based mental health and mental retardation services for the residents of *Midland, Ector, Pecos, Brewster, Jeff Davis, Presidio, Hudspeth and Culberson* Counties, Texas.

PBCC is seeking proposals for the provision of **Psychiatric Diagnostic Interview Examination (CPT code 90792) and Pharmacological Management (CPT codes M0064, 99211, 99212, 99213, 99214, 99215)**, for identified individuals with mental illness who seek services at PBCC. The psychiatrist will be requested to maintain a set schedule of 10 hours a day for two days a week (days to be determined). The services will be delivered in our specialty care facility located in Odessa. The contract shall be for an initial term of one year with the option to renew annually.

The open enrollment period shall close on April 15th, 2014 at 5:00(CST) or upon receipt of enough applications to meet the service capacity described in the RFA whichever comes first.

Copies of the **RFA** may be obtained via written request, faxed request, or picked up at:

Permian Basin Community Centers
401 E. Illinois
Midland, Texas 79701
Contact: Chris Barnhill or Cynthia Brown
purchasing@pbmhmr.com
Phone: 432-570-3333
Fax: 432-570-3426

Or via the internet at:

Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts Electronic State Business Daily (ESBD)
Website: http://esbd.cpa.state.tx.us
Agency: PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTER - R1650
Search Type: Search Bid / Procurement Opportunities
Agency Requisition Number: PBCC- MH/Ector Psychiatry 4/15/2014
Description: PBCC Ector County Psychiatric Service RFA for 4/15/2014

Questions regarding the **RFA** should be directed to Chris Barnhill or Cindy Brown at (432)570-3333 or by email to purchasing@pbmhmr.com.

Please submit: one (1) original (clearly marked) of your Application and attachments to:
Permian Basin Community Centers
ATTN: Purchasing
401 E. Illinois
Midland, Texas 79701
Contact Number: 432-570-3333

Legal & Public Notices

Request For Bids
Lee Lewis Construction, Inc., as construction manager, will be receiving bids for the Odessa College Continuing Education Building. This project will consist of approximately 13,000 sq. ft. two-story building, including site work, steel, metal stud framing, mechanical, electrical and landscape.

A Pre-Bid meeting is scheduled for March 26, 2014 TIME AND PLACE TO BE DETERMINED

Bids are due by 3:00 PM, April 10, 2014

Location:
Lee Lewis Construction, Inc.
7810 Orlando Ave
Lubbock, Texas 79423
Phone: 806-797-8400
Fax: 806-797-8492

Bid packages will be available at the following locations:
AGC Plan Room / Dodge Plan Room - Lubbock, Texas
Lee Lewis Construction - Lubbock, Texas

Lee Lewis Construction specifically invites Small Business Concerns and Women Owned Business Concerns and Small Business Concerns Owned/Controlled By Socially And Economically Disadvantaged Individuals to bid this project.

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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BID

Midland County Hospital District is accepting bids for the project entitled: **Energy Conservation Project** at Midland Memorial Hospital - Main Campus, 400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Parkway, Midland, Texas, 79701.

Bidders may contact Hamid Habibi at TME, Inc. for bid documents and questions on or after Wednesday, March 19, 2014.

TME, Inc.
Consulting Engineers/Energy Service
5800 Evergreen Drive
Little Rock, AR 72205-1757
Telephone: 1-501-666-6776
HHabibi@tmecorp.com

Pre-Bid conferences will be held on Thursday, April 3, 2014 at 2:00 PM and Friday, April 4, 2014 at 10:00 AM in the Administrative Board Room of Midland Memorial Hospital - Main Campus.

A Bid Bond in an amount not less than five percent (5%) will be required with bid submission. The successful bidder will be required to enter into a general contract with the Midland County Hospital District. A Performance Bond and Payment Bond in an amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price will berequired by Owner upon contract execution.

Three (3) hard copies and one (1) Electronic copy of all bids must be received in the Department of Materials Management of Midland Memorial Hospital - Main Campus, 400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Parkway, Midland, Texas, 79701, by **2:00 PM, Tuesday, April 15, 2014. Under no circumstances will bids received beyond April 15, 2014, 2:00 PM be accepted.**

All bids must be sealed and labeled **"BID # 1125-031914 Enclosed".**

Faxed or emailed bids from bidders will not be accepted.

All bids must be price protected until July 31, 2014.

All bids will remain confidential until after an award has been made. Vendors will then be allowed to review the bids in the purchasing office according to the policy/procedure of Midland Memorial Hospital. Midland County Hospital District reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive formalities.

Proposals shall be addressed to:
Rachel Hanna Jones
Director of Materials Management
Midland County Hospital District
Midland Memorial Hospital
400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Pkwy
Midland, Texas 79701

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REQUEST FOR BIDS

MID-TEX OF Midland, Inc., Construction Manager-At-Risk, will be receiving subcontractor and supplier bids for the "Iraan-Sheffield Independent School District –Texas Challenge Academy Renovations" project in Sheffield, Texas. A pre-bid site visit will be held Thursday, April 3rd at **10:00 AM. It is not mandatory, but strongly encouraged.**

Bids are due by Thursday, April 10, 2014 at 2:00 PM

Location:
Mid-Tex of Midland, Inc.
5206 W. Wadley Ave.
Midland, Texas 79707
Phone: (432) 697-2282
Fax: (432) 694-9627

Bid Packages may be obtained by emailing Leslie Ramirez at leslie@midtexofmidland.com

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Request For Bids
Lee Lewis Construction, Inc., as construction manager, will be receiving bids for the new construction of the Midland Independent School District Bunch Elementary School.

Bids are due by Tuesday, April 8, 2014 on or before 3:00 pm.

Location:
Lee Lewis Construction, Inc.
7810 Orlando Ave.
Lubbock, Texas 79423
Phone: 806-797-8400
Fax: 806-797-8492

Bid packages will be available at the following locations:
AGC Plan Rooms & Dodge Plan Rooms - Lubbock, Odessa, Midland
Lee Lewis Construction - Lubbock, Texas
Website: http://leelewis.thomasrepro.com

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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BID

Midland County Hospital District is accepting proposals for **CLINICAL DOCUMENTATION IMPROVEMENT SERVICES/PROGRAM**, for Midland Memorial Hospital.

Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing Office of Midland Memorial Hospital on or after **Wednesday, March 19, 2014**.

All proposals must be received in the Department of Materials Management of Midland Memorial Hospital by **2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 8, 2014.**

All proposals must be sealed and labeled **"RFP # 1127-031914.**

Under no circumstances will faxed or emailed proposals from bidders be accepted.

All proposals must be price protected for a period of **twelve (12) months**.

All proposals will remain confidential until after an award has been made. Vendors will then be allowed to review the proposals in the purchasing office according to the policy/procedure of Midland Memorial Hospital. Midland County Hospital District reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive formalities.

Proposals shall be addressed to:
Rachel Hanna Jones
Director of Materials Management
Midland County Hospital District
Midland Memorial Hospital
400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Pkwy
Midland, Texas 79701

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that Original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Gary Allison Tate, Deceased, were issued on March 18, 2014, in Docket No. P17813, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to Jerry Wayne Tate.

The mailing address of the Independent Executor is Jerry Wayne Tate, 304 Bordeaux Ct., Madisonville, Louisiana 70447.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

James J. Napper
P.O. Box 1370
Stanton, Texas 79782
Attorney for the Estate

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Request For Bids
Lee Lewis Construction, Inc., as construction manager, will be receiving bids for the Greenwood Independent School District, Greenwood, Texas. This project will consist of: This project will consist of a new a artificial turf playing surface, track resurfacing, new concrete drainage swale, new field events, new fencing and miscellaneous flatwork.

A Pre-Bid meeting is scheduled for March 24, 2014 TIME AND PLACE TO BE DETERMINED

Bids are due by 3:00 PM, April 2, 2014

Location:
Lee Lewis Construction, Inc.
7810 Orlando Ave
Lubbock, Texas 79423
Phone: 806-797-8400
Fax: 806-797-8492

Bid packages will be available at the following locations:
AGC Plan Room / Dodge Plan Room - Lubbock, Texas
Lee Lewis Construction - Lubbock, Texas

Lee Lewis Construction specifically invites Small Business Concerns and Women Owned Business Concerns and Small Business Concerns Owned/Controlled By Socially And Economically Disadvantaged Individuals to bid this project.

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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BID

Midland County Hospital District is accepting proposals for **"WHOLE BLOOD HEMOSTASIS TESTNG SYSTEM**, for Midland Memorial Hospital.

Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing Office of Midland Memorial Hospital on or after **Wednesday, March 19, 2014**.

All proposals must be received in the Department of Materials Management of Midland Memorial Hospital by **2:00 P.M. on Tuesday, April 8, 2014.**

All proposals must be sealed and labeled **"RFP # 1126-031614.**

Under no circumstances will faxed or emailed proposals from bidders be accepted.

All proposals must be price protected for a period of **twelve (12) months**.

All proposals will remain confidential until after an award has been made. Vendors will then be allowed to review the proposals in the purchasing office according to the policy/procedure of Midland Memorial Hospital. Midland County Hospital District reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive formalities.

Proposals shall be addressed to:
Rachel Hanna Jones
Director of Materials Management
Midland County Hospital District
Midland Memorial Hospital
400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Pkwy
Midland, Texas 79701

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Midland Independent School District will receive sealed proposals for Advanced A/V Systems - RFP No: 2014-0004T.AV. Bids will be received by 5:00 p.m. CDT, Monday, April 7, 2014.
See www.midlandisd.net/technrfp for further information.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Sealed Bids addressed to Jill Hallmark, Midland ISD, 801 South Moran, Midland, TX 79701, for Moving Portable Buildings Bid for MISD Schools, located in Midland, TX, bids will be received at the above address no later than 2:00 PM, on Tuesday, April 1, 2014. The bid forms and specifications may be obtained at 801 South Moran, Building #1 Midland, TX or by calling 432-689-1500.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS: Midland ISD and its Construction Manager, MW Builders, are accepting bids for construction of additions and renovations to four elementary school campuses. Proposals are due for work at Pease and Washington Elementaries on **April 9, 2014 by 2:00 PM**, and are due for work at Bowie and Carver Elementaries on **April 23, 2014 by 2:00 PM**. Proposals shall be addressed to MW Builders, Inc., 1701 N. General Bruce Drive, Temple, TX 76502. Phone 254.778.4241. Fax 254.778.9492. For plan availability, contact Todd Cunningham with MW Builders.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Sealed Bids addressed to Jill Hallmark, Midland ISD, 801 South Moran, Midland, TX 79701, for Track Resurface & Repair at Lee Senior High School, located in Midland, TX; bids will be received at the above address no later than 3:00 PM, on Friday, March 28, 2014. The bid forms and specifications may be obtained at 801 South Moran, Building #1 Midland, TX or by calling 432-689-1500.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Sealed Bids addressed to Jill Hallmark, Midland ISD, 801 South Moran, Midland, TX 79701, for Tennis Court Resurfacing at Midland Senior High School, located in Midland, TX; bids will be received at the above address no later than 2:00 PM, on Friday, March 28, 2014. The bid forms and specifications may be obtained at 801 South Moran, Building #1 Midland, TX or by calling 432-689-1500.

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 — Rule 38 Case No. 08-0287671
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jan. 30, 2014 — Status/Permit No. 779497
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: **5:00 PM, April 18, 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 **PIONEER NATURAL RES.** USA, INC., [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a **density exception permit under the** provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 17, Blk. 39, T2S, T&P, RR CO Survey, A-314, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, MIDLAND County, being 4.5 miles SW direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. **If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512) 463-6848.**

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, YOU MUST FILL OUT, SIGN AND MAIL, FAX, E-MAIL OR DELIVER TO THE AUSTIN OFFICE OF THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS THE ENCLOSED NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST. A COPY OF THE INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST ALSO BE MAILED, DELIVERED, FAXED OR E-MAILED ON THE SAME DATE TO THE APPLICANT AT THE ADDRESS SHOWN ON THE SERVICE LIST. THIS 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 NO LATER THAN 5:00 P.M. ON:

Apr 18, 2014

IMPORTANT: THE MAILBOX RULE DOES NOT APPLY. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO FILE A PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY, TO BE EFFECTIVE THE DAY FOLLOWING THE TERMINATION OF SUCH 21 DAY PERIOD.

The location and identity of the well is as shown below.

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name	ERNEST A
Lease/Unit Well No.	4
Lease/Unit Acres	164.8
Nearest Lease Line (ft)	660.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft)	1298.0
Lease Lines	660.0 F. SOUTH L. — 718.0 F. WEST L.
Survey Lines	660.0 F. SOUTH L. — 1980.0 F. EAST L.

As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 2 additional fields: (1) BRADFORD RANCH (STRAWN); (2) PARSLEY (ATOKA). No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for these fields.

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) — Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres

BRADFORD RANCH (STRAWN) — OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres

PARSLEY (ATOKA) — OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 11,400 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, NORMA DONOVAN, at (972) 969-3643.

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PUBLIC MEETING

You're invited!

Texas Department of Transportation

2015-2018 Rural Transportation Improvement Program

The Texas Department of Transportation will conduct a public meeting on Tuesday, April 8, 2014, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the eastbound Safety Rest Area in Pyote on Interstate 20 about 15 miles west of Monahans and two miles east of Pyote. The purpose of this meeting is to receive comments on the FY 2015-2018 Rural Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Odessa District. The district includes Andrews, Crane, Ector, Loving, Martin, Midland, Pecos, Reeves, Terrell, Upton, Ward and Winkler counties. The TIP is a mechanism used by TxDOT and FHWA to fund projects for the next four years and includes all federally funded projects. This meeting is being held pursuant to Title 43, Texas Administrative Code, Section 16.102, which provides for an opportunity for public comment concerning the program.

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aides or services such as interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, readers, large print or Braille are requested to contact Gene Powell at 432-498-4746 no later than Friday, April 4, 2014, so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Written comments may be submitted to:
Texas Department of Transportation
Attention: Gary Law, P.E.,
3901 E. Highway 80
Odessa, Texas, 79761
or by e-mail at gary.law@txdot.gov. A 10-day public comment period to submit written comments will close at the Odessa District office at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 22, 2014.

Texas Department of Transportation

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FOUND DOG, young male, found on Cuthbert Ave last week. Possible lab mix. Needs a good home. Really friendly. Call to identify 432-425-7249.

FOUND HIGH pressure valve on NCR 1130. Call to identify 432-967-0865 ask for Greg.

FOUND TWO Mid-sized dogs, on FM 1788 March 20th, call 432-813-1468.

LOST DOG: Older male Beagel mix; hard of hearing, named Rocky. 432-488-6936.

LOST: POMERANIAN disabled female on 3800 block of Roosevelt, red/white, named Lexa. Call 599-8471.



LOST TUESDAY 3/18 at 6:30am near Fuel Source on Ranch Rd 2469 in Mertzon. Male French Bulldog, fawn color, was wearing leather collar with tags. $1000 cash reward offered for his safe return. Please call 325-226-2199.

LOST WEDDING and engagement rings. REWARD. Call 432-697-4405.

Business Center

Business Opportunity

FOR SALE small specialty sign company. Profitable and very well established. 12+ years, many loyal repeat customers. Very easy to run, suited for a one-man operation or could be expanded. Retiring, need to sell, call 432-967-0047.

Autos For Sale or Lease

Passenger Cars

1983 MUSTANG GT Custom 5.0, 5-speed manual, suede/leather interior, Barrett-Jackson Car. $9950. Call 432-247-1574 or 432-699-2811.

1997 COBRA Mustang, black convertible, lots of extras, extra clean, $8,000 firm. 4409 Wilshire, Midland. 432-697-4036 or 432-638-3264.

2005 BMW Z5SERIES ROADSTER, 2 door, Z4 2.5i, Metallic grey, black top, 15K miles. Asking $18,500. Call 432-570-0675.

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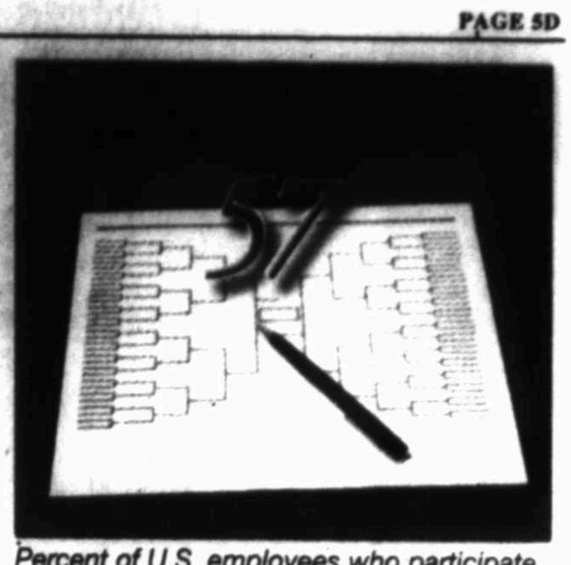
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If the thought of a job search leaves you feeling anxious and awkward, then you need to rethink your approach.

Envision the job search as a journey and treat it with importance, says Scott Uhrig, founder of Whiterock Partners, a retained executive search firm in Austin, Texas that focuses on high-tech companies.

"You'll have the chance to reconnect, meet new people and learn new things," Uhrig adds. This journey eventually leads to a fulfilling career, if you put the energy and focus into it.

"Your ability to navigate the ever-changing career landscape and conduct successful job searches will drive your overall level of career satisfaction," he says.

Uhrig urges jobseekers to abandon outdated approaches that bring a lot of rejection, such as mailing out dozens of resumes and cover letters or looking for openings in online job boards. Instead, he recommends the following steps:

1. Stop and think. Before you apply for a job or talk to someone who is interested in you, think about and articulate what you really want next in your career. Be proactive about the jobs you are pursuing. In the end, you will be more satisfied in a job that really reflects what you want to do. "Fulfilling work is at the core of wellbeing, arguably more important than financial, social, physical or community wellbeing," he adds.

2. Develop a support system. Finding work is tough and emotionally draining. You'll do better with the support of a coach and a small group of trusted colleagues who can offer perspective, guidance, structure, support and accountability.

3. Learn about jobs before they are posted. You do that by getting in front of hiring managers who will think about you when they are still quietly looking to fill a job. Uhrig calls this phase "narrow socialization." The hiring manager is still trying to identify candidates. Roughly 80 percent of jobs – often the better ones – are filled during this phase. If you wait until the job is posted, your odds of landing it goes from 1 in 20 to 1 in 100.

4. Go outside your immediate network. When most people are looking for a job, they contact their friends and colleagues. This is better than not networking at all. But what you really want to do is push yourself outside of your comfort zone. Ask for introductions. Invite people out for coffee. They may not always have the time, but they're more likely remember you than if you make no contact.

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THE NEW WAY TO NETWORK

MAKE LASTING, MEANINGFUL CONNECTIONS. WRITE FOLLOW-UP NOTES. DON'T LET THEM FORGET YOU.

By PATRICIA RIVERA
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Seems innocent enough – at a networking function you nonchalantly mention that you're looking for a job.

Even if it's true, don't say it! Career coach Anna Graham Hunter of Los Angeles insists that "I'm looking for a job" are five of the worst combined words you can say out loud when you're networking.

"Hiring managers want to hire people who already have a job. In their eyes, you become less attractive when you say that you don't have a job," she notes. And it creates an awkward situation.

The nature of face-to-face networking has changed in recent years with an emphasis placed on how employees strengthen a relationship instead of how they can benefit from one.

Blatantly announcing that you're looking for a job also makes you less attractive to yourself, Graham Hunter adds, because those five words sound sad.

Don't be misleading or deceptive, but reframe your position. Think of yourself as someone who is looking for the right job and the right match.

"Be deliberate rather than desperate and more people will want to talk to you," Graham Hunter adds.

By being more positive, you also avoid confusing suggestions. Instead, focus on building relationships that might feel unfamiliar.

"Pursue people who interest you and who seem like they're doing interesting things. If you're in the corporate world, make dates with people who work in the nonprofit sector, and vice versa," Graham Hunter says.

This broad base of people to call on for advice and support will serve you well.

Other tips from career coaches:

• Make meaningful connections. Pamela J. Green, a management consultant in Washington, D.C. and founder of Power Project Institute, says professionals have less time to physically get away for networking. People are finding ways to network wherever they go: the grocery store, the dry cleaners, their children's school, etc. When they do connect, they want the connection to be meaningful. Avoid obvious small talk, such as "how's the weather?"

• Take a genuine interest in others. Hank Boyer, executive coach and president of Boyer Management Group in Philadelphia, says networking is not something you do when you need to get a job or attract new customers. Networking is a lifestyle discipline that should be started by the time you graduate high school. In its simplest terms, networking is about starting out as strangers and ultimately winding up as casual friends. You make friends by focusing on others rather than trying to garner interest in yourself. The easiest way to get to know someone is to ask them questions about their favorite topic: themselves. People can tell whether you are really listening by your focus on them versus on your surroundings. Listening involves a pleasant level of eye contact, a warm expression with a slight smile and periodic verbal and non-verbal cues that you were listening.

• Exchange real information. Julienne Ryan, a career coach and owner of the consultancy The Career Concierge in New York, says the advent of social media gives the assumption that a casual connection through a LinkedIn group entitles folks to carte blanche information or introductions. But basic networking rules still apply. Networking is a shared exchange of information. The asker should be prepared to offer something in return as a courtesy and a thank you. A simple follow-up note that says "this is what I learned or confirmed thanks to our conversation" is enough. And don't waste time asking questions about something that could have been learned through research. Use the time to confirm or question a hypothesis.

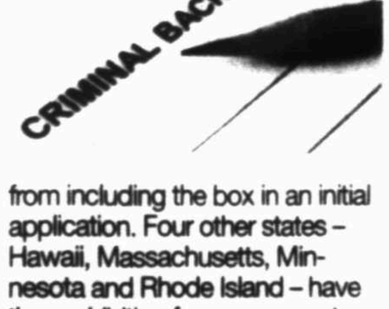
• Make the time to connect in person. Stacia Pierce, a life coach and chief executive at Ultimate Lifestyle Enterprises in Lansing, Mich., says that before the iPhone, LinkedIn, Twitter and e-mail, business contacts were made in person. Those face-to-face conversations are still crucial. Thus, you should create networking goals each week or month, like handing out five business cards each week. Ask your LinkedIn connections out for a drink or coffee to put faces to names when you need a favor. Use the phone if you can't meet in person. A conversation is a more personal way to get to know a contact than by talking via Twitter. To avoid awkward moments, create a list of general topics to talk about.

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JOB TRENDS

A SECOND LOOK FOR A SECOND CHANCE

A tiny box is a giant barrier for millions of Americans.



When asked if they've ever been arrested or charged with a crime, some 65 million adults would have to check the box "yes" on job applications.

"In the right situations, criminal background checks promote safety and security in the workplace. However, imposing a background check that denies any type of employment for people with criminal records is not only unreasonable, but it can also be illegal under civil rights laws," according to a 2011 report, "65 Million Need Not Apply" from the National Employment Law Project.

A "ban the box" movement backed by NELP has been picking up steam. Six states – California, Colorado, Connecticut, Illinois, Maryland and New Mexico – now have either an administrative order or legislation prohibiting government agencies from including the box in an initial application. Four other states – Hawaii, Massachusetts, Minnesota and Rhode Island – have the prohibition for government agencies and have extended the ban to private employers.

In all states, the question can be asked later in the hiring process. The NELP website, Nelp.org/banthebox, contains more detail about the bans in each state.

Even in states that don't have this policy, there are 56 cities and localities that have acted on their own, including New York City, Philadelphia, Memphis and New Orleans.

"An arrest or conviction record can make it much harder to find work," says Michelle Rodriguez, NELP staff attorney. Helping to reduce that barrier is beneficial not just to ex-offenders, but to society as a whole.

"One study found that lowered job prospects of people with felonies and formerly incarcerated people cost the U.S. economy between $57 and $65 billion in lost output," says Rodriguez.

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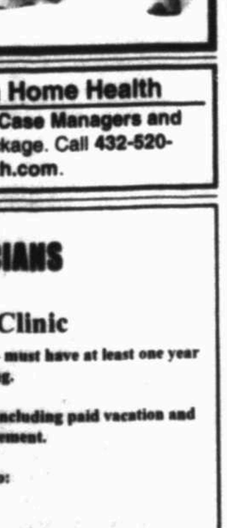
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Permian Basin Community Centers

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Several Positions Available

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Primary responsibilities for the WRAP Facilitator include provision of group and individual rehabilitative and skills training services for our adult behavioral health consumers with a heavy emphasis on wellness. Services delivered will instruct and prepare consumers to lead healthy lifestyles using means such as meal preparation, exercise, smoking cessation, etc.

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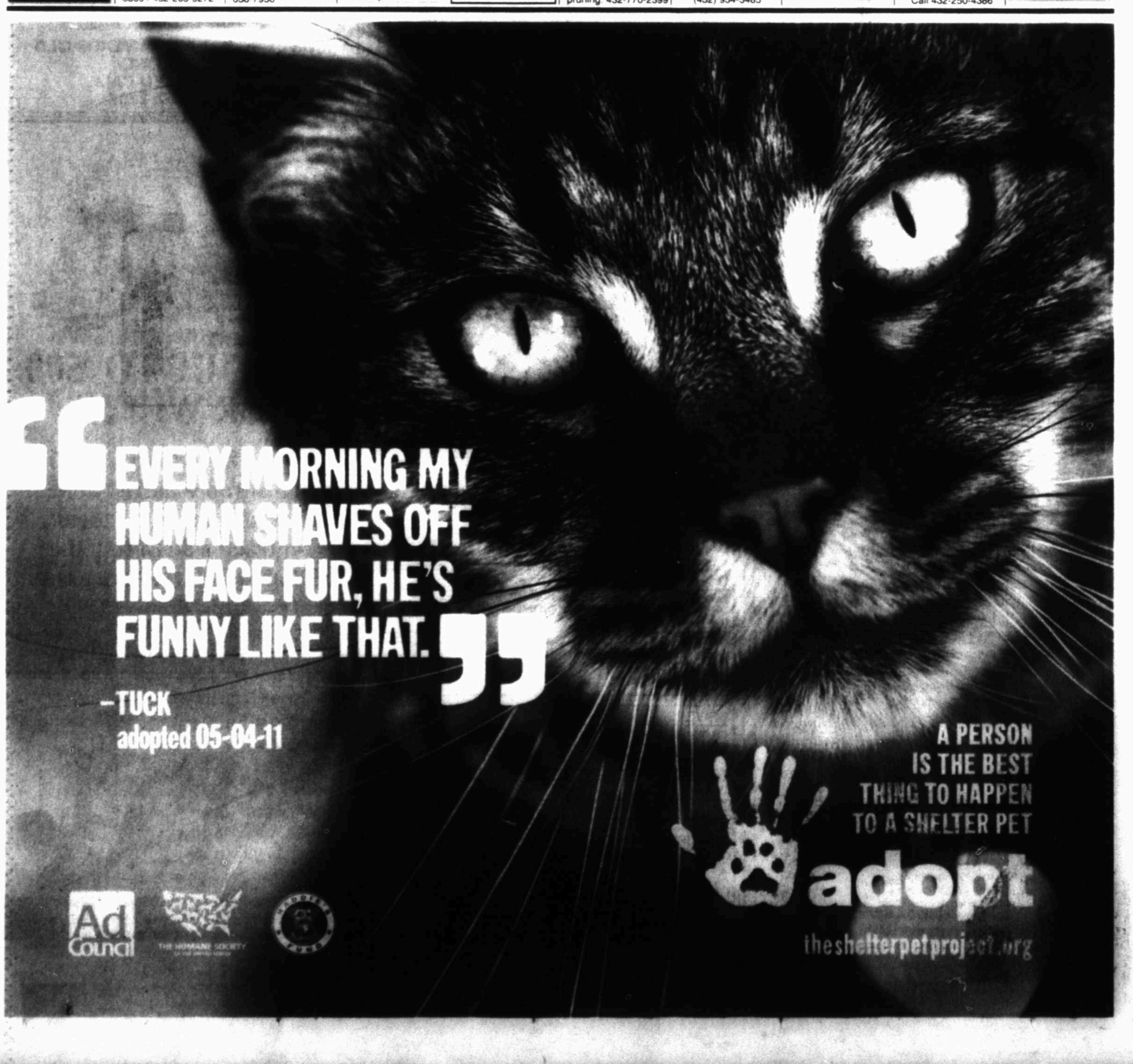
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ANSWER:

As a seller, your need is to find a single buyer, hopefully one who will pay no less than you ask, nor demand various concessions. So the real question we ought to look at is this: How do buyers find houses?

The 2013 Profile of Home Buyers and Sellers from the National Association of Realtors reports, "Nine in 10 buyers used the Internet at some point while looking for a home. Over half of buyers started their home search online and 43 percent of recent buyers first found the home they purchased online."

Almost half of homebuyers used a mobile or tablet website or application to search for a home, and nearly a quarter of those mobile searchers found the home they ultimately purchased with a mobile application, according to the NAR profile.

What these numbers tell us is that real estate marketing has evolved: While real estate remains a localized commodity, the search for homes is worldwide.

You need a broker who today who is active in your neighborhood, has a strong online presence and understands real estate financing.

The broker should sell lots of homes where you live — not 14 miles away.

Visiting local open houses is one way to find such representatives, and local newspaper classified sections remain the best way to find open houses.

The broker also should prove he or she gets many site visits for local listings. The presentation of your home online and in the classifieds should be seen as the start of the bargaining process.

Lastly, a strong understanding real estate financing is crucial to the selling process. While nearly a third of all existing home sales now involve cash, most transactions still rely on financing. With new mortgage rules, it's important to work with a broker who understands financing choices.

Real estate fees are negotiable, not set by law, and the services offered among brokers may vary. It's wise to interview several brokers and to allow them to value your home, show how they would market it and detail their local experience and history.

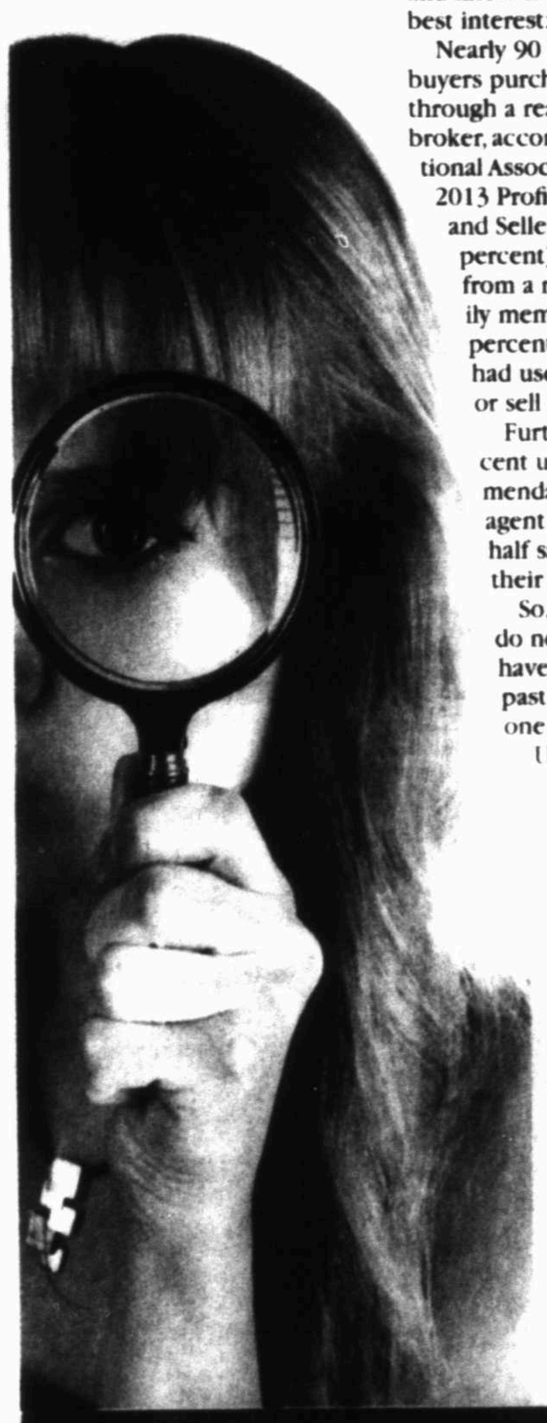
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PERFORMANCE PARTICULARS

SOME RESOURCES WILL GIVE YOU PLENTY OF DATA ON A POTENTIAL AGENT, BUT NUMBERS ALONE DON'T GIVE THE FULL STORY WHEN IT COMES TO PERFORMANCE

By CHRYSTAL CARUTHERS
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Searching for a new home is an expensive, time-consuming endeavor, so it pays — literally and figuratively — to have someone on your side that you trust and know is working in your best interest: a real estate agent.

Nearly 90 percent of homebuyers purchased their home through a real estate agent or broker, according to the National Association of Realtors' 2013 Profile of Home Buyers and Sellers. Most buyers (42 percent) found their agent from a referral from a family member or friend; 12 percent used an agent they had used previously to buy or sell a home.

Further, another 12 percent used online recommendations during their agent search, with only half saying it influenced their decision.

So, what information do non-referred buyers have to go off of? Agents past performance, for one.

Using data from the Multiple Listing Service, the network of real estate inventory databases, some real estate websites rank agents via various criteria, such as how many deals they have closed in the past 12 months or how many listings they currently hold.

While such information could be useful, taken out of context, the statistics could be misleading, according to Patrick Veling, president and CEO of Real Data Strategies, a California-based real estate data-consulting firm.

"I'm against consumers having access to this data for agent ranking purposes primarily because if agents pay to participate in this closed system and the industry works against them, [the system] will unravel," Veling says.

Jack Attridge, an agent with William Raveis Real Estate in Marblehead, Mass., says he has seen the "evolution" of MLS data. "We've been very giving of our data over the years," he says.

For instance, an agent specializing in foreclosure properties may carry more listings than an agent working with individual owners. There are groups of agents who work on teams that may sell under one MLS number, which makes one agent look as if they do all of the business when really there is an army of agents boosting their volume.

Attridge put it this way: "I work in the high-end market and it's just starting to pick up so my listings might show a higher market time than another agent working with lower-priced houses."

Recently, Realtor.com had tested a controversial approach to ranking agents based on sold transactions as recorded in the MLS. The service, AgentMatch, used an algorithm to match consumers with top-producing agents in requested ZIP codes. The pilot program allowed consumers to track statistics like the number of listings an agent represented, the percentage sold and the average days on market. Launched in July 2013, it was discontinued five months later after agents across the country complained the association was pitting members against one another in an attempt to gain consumer relevance against real estate sites like Zillow, Trulia and Yahoo Homes.

But numbers alone do not tell the full story.

After all, do McDonald's billions of burgers sold make it the best place for the best hamburger?

"Consumers think they want the raw information, but they need context and enough specificity to make it relevant," says **Leslie Ebersole, a Baird & Warner** agent in St. Charles, Ill.

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Agent hunting? The National Association of Realtors suggests asking a potential agent these questions:

- *Is real estate your full-time career?*
- *How many homes did you sell last year?*
- *What's your average market time for sold properties?*
- *What's your list price-to-sale price ratio?*
- *What are your specific marketing techniques?*
- *How, and how frequently, will you keep me informed about the progress of my transaction?*
- *Can you give me the names and phones numbers of your three most recent clients?*
- *Will you represent me exclusively?*

MORTGAGES

THE FIX NO LONGER IN?

As fixed-loan interest rates tick upward, borrowers again look to adjustable-rate mortgages

Fixed-rate mortgages have been preferred the past few years following the housing bust because of their stability and certainty. However, adjustable-rate mortgages, with their low introductory interest rate, have been rebounding recently in loan the market.

In the past year, rate for the 30-year fixed mortgages climbed from about 3.4 percent in February 2013 to about 4.1 percent in February 2014. This upward trend will continue and likely reach 5 percent before the end of 2014, says Erin Lantz, director of the Zillow Mortgage Marketplace.

On the other hand, 5/1 ARMs still show near historical low introductory rates, around 2.75 percent in February 2014, which seems more appealing to homebuyers.

Particularly, for buyers plan to move or sell their houses within few years, hybrid ARMs could be financially advantageous, since they provide extended initial period with a fixed-rate from three to ten years, says Len Kiefer, deputy chief economist at Freddie Mac.

According to Freddie Mac's ARM Annual Survey, in January 2014 the interest-rate savings for a 5/1 hybrid ARM with a 30-year term compared to the 30-year fixed-rate mortgage amounted to about 1.36 percentage points. On a $250,000 loan, this results in $194 in principal and interest savings during the first five years of the ARM loan versus a fixed-rate mortgage.

However, homebuyers should be wary of possible risk that interest rate can go up after fixed-rate period ends.

Interest rates will increase as Federal Reserve System begin to taper its quantitative easing as the economy continues to show signs of improvement, says Kiefer.

Moreover, if home prices drop unexpectedly, a buyer could wind up getting negative equity, lose its selling point and be stuck in a mortgage with a rate that adjusts higher, as experienced during housing bust, says Lantz.

As always, buy a house that you can comfortably afford. If a buyer qualifies for an ARM, consider one with longer fixed periods, such as 7/1 or 10/1 ARMs, which can give a leeway in case that circumstances change.

— *Yena Lee*

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SELLING SOONER

QUESTION: What determines how fast a house will sell?

ANSWER: No two ways about it, the selling price by far the most important ingredient in determining the length of time it takes to sell a home.

Finding the right price that will sell in a reasonable time takes a working knowledge of the local market. Sometimes putting too high a selling price can actually cost dollars if the property languishes on the market for a long time.

Packaging is also important. I can show you some of the important things that buyers are looking for today, how to accent the best attributes of your home and help you arrive at the best asking price to sell more profitably and sooner.



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Pricing your Home in Today's Market

Of course, most sellers prefer to price it high so they have room to come down and do not want to have the "lower the price" discussion because that means less profit in their pocket... or do it? The longer a home sits on the market and doesn't sell the less money the seller eventually receives. It's just that the market is not responding to the current price and an adjustment is probably called for. It's basic "supply and demand" can change on a daily basis - especially in today's challenging marketplace. So, how does a seller know if their home is priced too high for the current market? The longer a home sits on the market, the less it will usually sell for. If you're a buyer and you see a home that's been on the market for a while you might think something is wrong with the property that has kept it from selling. In today's hot market climate, the aggressively priced homes get the most buyer traffic, and in turn, the most offers and can trigger bidding wars that drive the eventual sales price above asking price. If you want to sell at top dollar in a Seller's market overpricing can actually sabotage your success.



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Selling Your Lux Listing: An Invitation-Only Affair

You're selling your home, and your agent has suggested you have an invitation-only open house. Is this an idea you should consider?

This trend in real estate is especially popular for those belonging to a Homeowners' Association, as they often have limits for such public access, and/or those with luxury properties for sale.

These events also take place when more than one home is for sale in a community, and agents join up with one another to showcase multiple properties at once. If your agent suggests an invitation-only open house, this is generally a terrific thing. While it may seem exclusive, it weeds out any buyers who aren't a good fit, and actually makes it more likely that you will find the right buyer in a timely fashion.

Why? The buyers invited to your invitation-only open house have been well groomed. They qualify for a mortgage, they are able to secure financing, and they are serious about finding a home similar to yours.

During an invitation-only affair, several buyers will gather and tour several homes in one evening. Sometimes the events are kept simple, but sometimes agents go all out with hors d'oeuvres and champagne.

Presenting multiple homes in one event may seem like it will prevent you from finding a buyer, but this is not the case. With several promising buyers viewing several similar homes, it enables you to find the right buyer.

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A Bunch of Bull

With the economy still undergoing a very slow recovery, it is hard not to question why the stock market seems to be doing so well. The bull market for stocks is about to turn five years old with a gain of approximately 150% in the Dow over that time. Those are pretty impressive numbers, however when you look at the numbers more carefully, it depends upon the perspective. Measure from the peak in October of 2007 before the financial crisis hit and one will see that the Dow increased less than 20% total over the past 6.5 years. Measure from 1995 and the Dow increased over 300% in the past 19 years, showing that the long-term numbers are indeed pretty impressive.

The real question is--why has the stock market fully recovered from the financial crisis while other areas of the economy still lag? Real estate is on the way back but has a ways to go to reach its peak just before the crisis. Many companies are still struggling and paring staff while employment has not recovered. Certainly the Federal Reserve Board has helped with record low rates. Companies have been reticent to hire in uncertain economic times, keeping staffing levels low while building up cash reserves and boasting profits. Some of this cash is making its way into the real estate sector as investors have purchased a record number of homes for cash.

Is the stock market's rally telling us that better economic times are ahead? This is certainly a possibility. However, we also know that better economic times may cause the Fed to eventually raise rates and it will be interesting to see if that move would take the wind out the market's sails. A better economy actually slowing stocks down sounds perverse but it could happen. In the meantime, we enjoy the ride and the historical perspective reminds us that trying to time the market is an exercise in futility. This statement holds for real estate as well. If you bought a home in 1990 and stuck with a 30-year fixed home loan, you would have impressive gains regardless of what has happened since 2007.



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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

What are you asking?

One of the first steps to selling your home is deciding how much to ask for it. Several factors influence pricing a home ... some you can control, and some you can't.

A REALTOR® can help you decide on the best price based on the condition of the home and what comparable homes in the area have recently sold for—be prepared in case the amount isn't what you had in mind. Here are a few things that determine a fair price. Visit PBBOR.org to obtain a list of REALTORS® in our area.

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Your home's condition plays a large role in setting an asking price. Buyers will be thinking about how much work they would have to do before or after they move in. When it comes to fixing or updating a house, cost does not necessarily equal value. Even minor improvements can translate to more dollars for you in the long run. Upgrades or repairs mean a little work on your part but can positively affect your asking price.

Out of your control

The asking price also depends on circumstances you can't control –the housing market's inventory, local employment numbers, interest rates, the amount your neighbor's home sold for, and a host of others. You also can't do anything about your property's location ... and location is perhaps the biggest word in real estate. A house's location includes access to schools, businesses, public transportation and highways. This convenience could be a strong selling point. A property with an attractive view or near a public green space can deservedly command a higher sales price than a similar house on the block without those features.

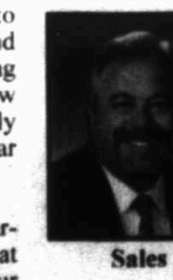
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It's been a few years since the housing market peaked and your home was probably at its highest value. In other words, even if your home is in immaculate condition, it may no longer be worth what it was worth then. And, unfortunately, the amount you paid for the house doesn't matter. What you need to get out of the sale doesn't matter, either – your buyer doesn't care that you just need another $10,000 to buy your dream home. Instead, make a case for why your house is worth it, and keep any negotiations strictly business. And remember, no matter what price you set, your house is really only worth what someone's willing to pay for it.

Get expert help

With such significant financial consequences at risk, it's in your best interest to ask a REALTOR® for help. In many cases, your REALTOR® will develop a comparative market analysis (CMA), which compares your property to similar, recently sold homes. This is a time-tested way of getting an asking price in the right ballpark. Of course, each home is different – and that's where a REALTOR® can really clarify and fine-tune the pricing process.

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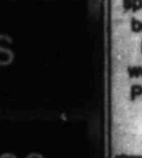
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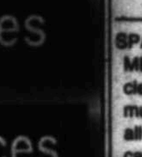
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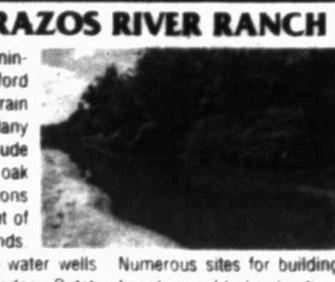
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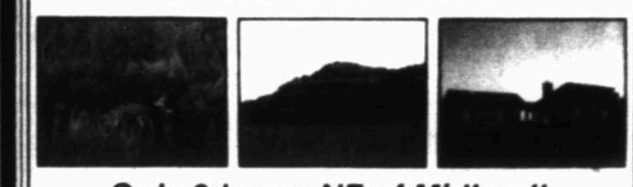
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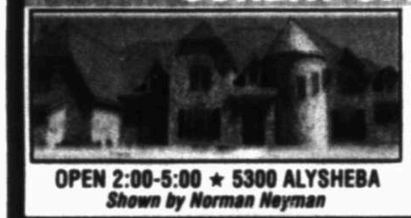
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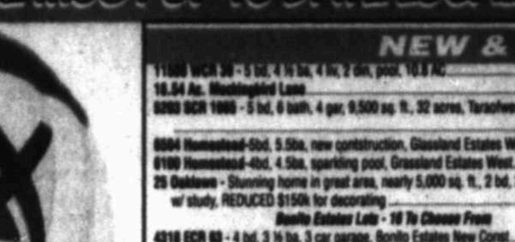
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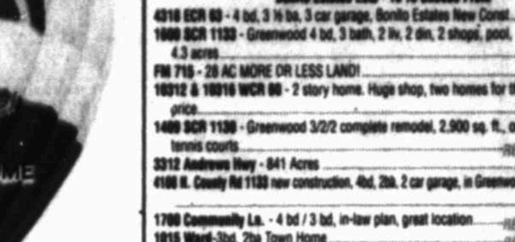
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1006 Shirley Ln. $389,000
3402 Limestone Ln..-Lovely 3 BR/3bath home w/ versatile plan, pretty curb appeal and back yard. $337,900
1714 Cessna Dr.-.3/2.5 .3 living patio home .Lush landscaping w/mature trees in front $324,900
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2206 Western-Grand Townhouse. Super sized rooms & storage $245,000
3406 Wedgewood-Charming 2-2 1/2 + office Trinity townhome. Downstairs master. flexible upstairs den. study. loft. gameroom or 3rd bedroom. New carpet throughout 3/14 ..... $239,900
5005, 5012 Preston Dr.-Beautiful Mike Jackson patio homes with custom features. Won't last $239,900
1120 Porterfield Rd.-Immaculate Mark Payne resale! $215,000
200 Cedrillo Dr., Odessa-Move in ready! $186,000
504 Broadway, Stanton-Wonderful historic home with 3 bedrooms. ready for move in! $142,500

Two Bedrooms

915 Bedford-Would you believe it has a racquetball court? Loads of custom features! $679,500
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Three Bedrooms

7100 E. Co. Rd. 110-3/2.5/3 on 155.29 Acres, totally irrigated, perfect for development "ABUNDANT WATER!" ..... U/C...$2,750,000
2300 Passings Way-20 acres in town .gorgeous! $2,500,000
1400 W. Co. Rd. 100-This one has it all! Including extra large pool & party room - Hurry! $675,000
1006 Shirley Ln $389,000
3402 Limestone Ln.-Lovely 3BR/3bath home w/versatile plan, pretty curb appeal and backyard $337,900
4605 Sherwood-Great floor plan, wonderful location and fantastic hot tub! $275,000
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3407 S. Hwy. 349-Great Commercial location $225,000
5008, 5012 Preston Dr.-Beautiful Mike Jackson patio homes with custom features. Won't last $239,900
3103 Preston-3Br, 2Ba, fresh paint, wood & tile flooring $232,000

Three Bedrooms

1504 Cascade Ct.-Spacious 3BR, 2BA, grand den, high ceilings, rock fireplace, stainless appliances, gated pool, entertaining patios, yard ..... U/C...$225,000
1120 Porterfield Rd.-Immaculate Mark Payne resale! $215,000
1006 Gehrig Ave.-Move in ready! ..... U/C...$200,000
46 Warrior Ct.-Hardwoods, great plan, squeaky clean ..... U/C...$200,000
2417 Jamieson-Lovely 3bdrm/2bth home with updated tile and appliances ..... U/C...$199,900
2107 Lockwood-"Old Midland" great plan ..... SOLD...$199,000
5109 Avalla Dr.-Cute, cute, cute ..... SOLD...$189,900
200 Cedrillo Dr. - Odessa-Move in ready! $186,000
702 Shell Ave.-Very nice 3 bdrm on large lot with detached storage and carport ..... U/C...$179,000
306 Keith-one owner 3br/3ba/2 living, 1 garage. Could be 4br as den has closet and bath. Washer, dryer, frig, gas range, & microwave. Two storage buildings, storm cellar. Newer roof shingles, HVAC ..... U/C...$150,000
504 Broadway, Stanton-Wonderful historic home with 3 bedrooms, ready for move-in! $142,500
101 W. Spruce-3br, 1bath, 2 living, lots of updates - open floor plan $130,000

Four Bedrooms

4107 Tanforan Ave.-Perfect home in Mockingbird Heights w/48R/3.5BA. See the many amenities, gorgeous custom decor plus pool and much more. ..... SOLD...$1,000,000
2003 Windsor-"Heart of Warwick" Gorgeous landscaping, great amenities $1,100,000
9 Hawthorne Ct.-Fabulous family home in coveted Saddle Club. Beautifully updated! $979,500
1002 Country Club Dr.-Beautiful 4bdr/3.5 bth in Old Midland ..... U/C...$915,000
4201 Tanforan Ave.-Fabulous custom 4BR, 4BA, (2) 1/2 baths, 3 living areas. study, 4 car garage. ..... SOLD...$800,000
4505 Bent Tree-Lovely home in Green Tree North with pool! $769,000
805 Crested Butte Ct.-Incredible world style 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath . 3 living area. 4 car garage in Woodland Park. Wood beams, upgrades galore $725,000
5010 Linwood-Beautifully updated 4bdr/3.5bths/3 car gar w/DLA and 2FP. A must see property ..... SOLD...$694,500
6200 Edinburgh-4bdr/3.5bth on acreage! One owner custom home w/hardwood floors and granite kitchen $585,000
5300 Chesley Ct.-Lovely 4/3 in Green Tree w/recent improvements $569,000
1909 Fringewood Dr.-Fabulous 4BR/3BA in Grassland, light & bright with versatile space $455,000
5703 E. Co. Rd. 80-2784 sq. ft. w/in-law plan $369,900
7600 Keyhaven-Hurry to make your selections on this custom 4/3/3 Trailbridge Home in Odessa! ..... U/C...$365,725
7604 Keyhaven-Make your selections for this beautiful 4/3/3 custom Trailbridge Home in Odessa! ..... U/C...$359,950
7608 Keyhaven-Trailbridge Home! Hurry this one won't last long! 4/2 1/2/3 Trailbridge Home in Odessa! ..... U/C...$344,250
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3215 Cuthbert Ave.-Investor Special! Cash buyer's only! Granite kitchen $100,000

Four or More Bedrooms

4 Willow Ct.-Racquet Club at its finest. Perfect location, fantastic space, gorgeous amenities. Must see! $2,000,000
5011 E. Midland Dr.-This spacious home has it all! Contemporary style great guest house, beautiful grounds, horse lovers dream includes go indoor arena! $1,000,000
6700 West Wind Cir.-Elegant, family friendly 5/6 bedroom, 5.5 bath, 4/5 living areas, 5 car garage, parking pad, gorgeous pool/spa, koi pond, plus family yard on #5 Tee Box Green Tree North $1,300,000
4224 Baybrook Place-Beautiful 4bdr/3.5 bth home with all the bells & whistles! $1,125,000
1703 Sherlyn-Fabulous 5BR in Warwick /LA, pool, spa, gameroom, beautifully updated $997,500
2000 Shell-5 bedroom in the "Heart of Warwick" $825,000

Town Homes and Patio Homes

17 Winchester Ct.-Bonus room. tile floors, coveted location! $319,000
3000 Wedgewood-Low maintenance and loaded - granite, shutters, plantation shutters, 3BR, 2BA, 2CG, outstanding ..... SOLD...$249,000
5008, 5012 Preston Dr.-Beautiful Mike Jackson patio homes with custom features. Won't last $239,900

New Construction

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For Lease

1512 A St.-Brand new beautiful open floor plan! $2,500/Month
1503 Club-Brand new beautiful open floor plan townhome. ..... LEASED...$2,000/Month

Lots, Land and Acreage

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E. I-20-600+ acres East East of Midland as estimated 20, Call Bill Scott for details. ..... U/C...$1,200,000
4000 Blasdell-20 acres in Greenwell, ready for development! $600,000
Loop 250 & I-20-approx. 25 acres, call Bill Scott ..... U/C...$600,000
5703 E. Co. Rd. 80-2784 sq. ft. w/in-law plan $369,900
44 Lincoln Park-San Angelo! Lot & boat house. Lake Nasworthy $179,000
Mockingbird Oaks-1 Acre lot $130,000
7600, 7602 & 7610 Keyhaven, Odessa-Very few lots left in Castle Ridge Phase 2-Hurry! ..... U/C...$67,000 ea.

Commercial Investment Property

One Petroleum Center, Bldg. 4-Sublease or possible new lease. 4,069 NRSF. 10 offices, conference room, breakroom, file room and reception area. ..... Call Bill Scott for lease...682-1111 or 559-4248 or Brandon Noll at 230-4488
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2138 Commerce Dr.-Approximately 32,800 sq. ft. warehouse/industrial facility with over 6,400 sq. ft. of office, easy access to I-20 at Hwy. 80. Call Bill Scott $1,750,000
3300 North A St. Weldon 2-2+/- acres for development, great for office complex. Call Bill Scott $675,000
7702 E. Hwy. Jersey-3,000 sq. ft. warehouse or shop. Call Bill Scott 682-1111 or Brandon Noll 230-4488 ..... $195,000
6 Cotton Flat Rd.-Zoned Industrial Park $100,000

Out of Town Properties

3625 Country Club, San Angelo-Fabulous! Lake front home, Southwestern Style $699,000
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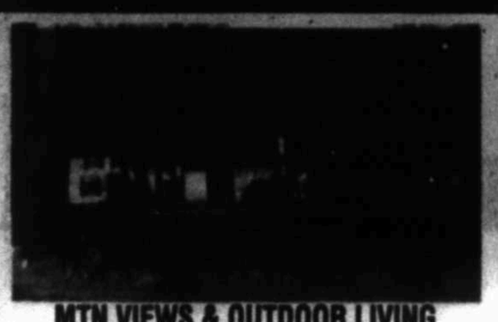


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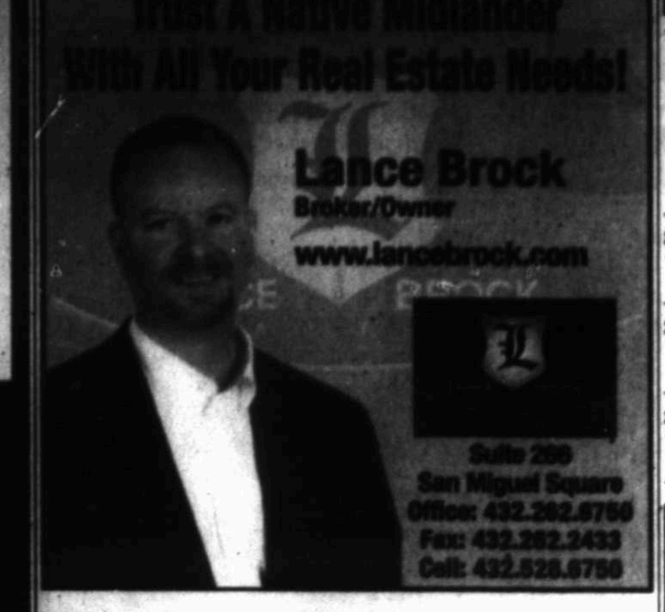


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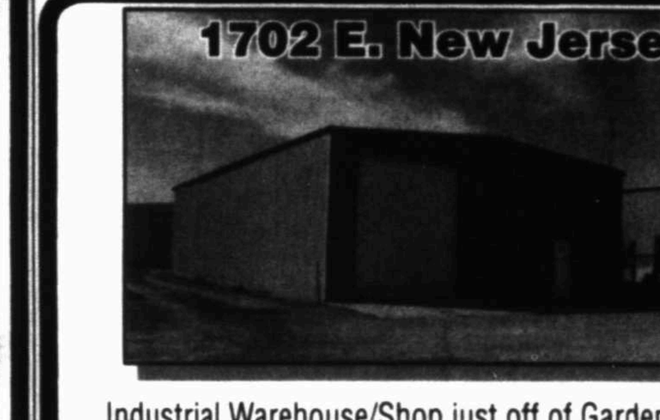


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SUNDAY OPEN HOUSE

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1704 Byron Ave. ODESSA- Spacious 4 bed/3 bath with sparkling swimming pool! Kitchen opens to the den! Sequestered master bedroom! **$209,000**

4+ BEDROOMS

2301 Tealand Cir.-Absolutely stunning 6 bed/5 bath + 2 half baths with saltwater pool in Tealand Estates! House sits on 2.2 acres with a guesthouse, 6 living areas, and lush landscaping **$2,200,000**
3908 Fairwest-This stunning 5 bed/4.5 bath home sits on a quiet cul-de-sac in Mockingbird Heights! Some of its' incredible features include a gourmet kitchen, a beautiful wrought ironed railed staircase, hand scraped hardwood floors, gorgeous granite and a fabulous 1400 sq. ft. guesthouse! **$960,000**
4904 Island Dr.-Spacious 5 bed/4.5 bath home in Green Tree North sits on the lake! Den boasts a towering fireplace and built-ins! Breakfast dining is open to the living and has a private patio! **$799,900**
5408 Whitman-Fantastic 5 bed/3 bath home sits on almost 7 acres! ..... SOLD **$750,000**
4706 Tottenham-Absolutely gorgeous 5 bed/3.5 bath home on 1.3 acres! Gourmet kitchen and spacious living areas! Outdoor kitchen, sparkling pool, and in-ground trampoline! **$675,000**
4815 Rolla Trail-NEW!-Spectacular 4 bed/3.5 bath home in Green Tree sits on the #9 tee on the golf course! Updated kitchen, spacious bedrooms, in-law plan, and water well! **$565,000**
4901 Breezeway-NEW!-Fantastic 4 bed/4.5 bath home in Green Tree North! ..... c/c **$565,000**
3408 Southridge Ln.-Absolutely spectacular 4 bed/4 bath home in Trinity Meadows! ..... c/c **$549,900**
2110 Bowman Ln.-Absolutely fabulous 5 bed/3.5 bath home in Grassland Estates! Gourmet kitchen, walls of windows, wood shutters, designer paint, and miles of tile! Sequestered suites of bedrooms! **$499,900**
4202 Iola- Spacious 4 bed/3.5 bath/2 living/3 dining home sits on 1.45 acres! 735 sq. ft. workshop, 2 water wells, and 4 car garage! **$495,000**
4704 Green Tree Blvd.-NEW!-Updated 4 bed/3 bath home in Green Tree! ..... c/c **$399,900**
3505 Cheshire Ave.-Spacious 4 bed/3.5 bath home sits on a quiet cul-de-sac in Crestgate! ..... SOLD **$359,000**
4500 Briarwood Dr.-Immaculate move-in ready 4 bed/2 bath home in Briarwood! Beautifully updated throughout! Peaceful backyard with artificial turf! **$357,500**
1605 Crowley Blvd.-Great find in Grassland Estates with 4 beds/3 baths/2 living areas + 3 car garage! Walls of windows and soaring ceilings throughout! In-law plan! **$309,900**
1014 E County Rd 1130-Fantastic 4 bed/2 bath property on 5 acres in Greenwood! Metal fencing on perimeter of property! **$259,000**

4+ BEDROOMS

4217 Greenbriar- Updated 4 bed/3 bath home with sparkling pool! ..... SOLD **$349,900**
3642 Blossom Ln.-**ODESSA**-Charming updated 4 or 5 bed/2.5 bath home on a restful curved street in East Odessa! **$249,500**
1704 Byron Ave. ODESSA- Spacious 4 bed/3 bath with sparkling swimming pool! Kitchen opens to the den! Sequestered master bedroom! **$209,000**
4713 Cindy Pl.-NEW!-4 bed/2 bath home in Wyldewood Estates on a quiet cul-de-sac with lush landscaping! ..... c/c **$205,000**
3513 Imperial Ave.-Spacious 4 bed/2 bath/2 living area low maintenance home near schools!! ..... SOLD **$199,900**

1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS

3701 Timber Wolf Trail-Custom Robert Anderson 3 bed/3 bath sits on 4.82 acres! ..... SOLD **$425,000**
2010 E FM 1212 STANTON-Fabulous county property on 12.088 acres w/2 water wells, 60x25 workshop, 3 storage buildings and over 100 trees! **$370,000**
901 Darrell Ln.-NEW!-Must see gorgeous 2 bed/2 bath updated townhome in gated Saddle Club Estates! Kitchen boasts stainless appliances and abundant cabinetry! **$269,900**
3711 Todd Rd.-Spacious 3 bed/2 bath home on 1.5 acres! Large kitchen, sequestered master bedroom, 2 dining, 2 living areas, and outdoor kitchen! **$259,000**
3304 Marble-Absolutely spectacular rockpoint showstopper! ..... SOLD **$235,000**
3005 Dallas Dr.- Awesomely updated 3 bed/2 bath home on 1.25 acres! ..... SOLD **$229,900**
5009 Mount Vernon Ct.-Fabulous 4 bed/2.5 bath home with 3 car garage and 7ft electric gate and fence! ..... SOLD **$225,000**
5500 Sundance Ct.-Spectacular updated 3 bed/2.5 bath home in Grassland! ..... SOLD **$209,000**
3701 Crestmont-Absolutely stunning updated 3 bed/2 bath home with miles of tile and plantation shutters! ..... SOLD **$208,000**
2304 Bellebosque Ct. - Spacious 3 bed/4 bath home with 3 living areas on a quiet cul-de-sac! ..... SOLD **$206,900**
720 Sinclair Ave. - Fabulous 4 bed/2 bath home on a huge lot with great curb appeal and a metal roof! Miles of tile, hardwood floors, and walls of windows throughout! **$219,000**

LAND, LOTS AND RENTALS

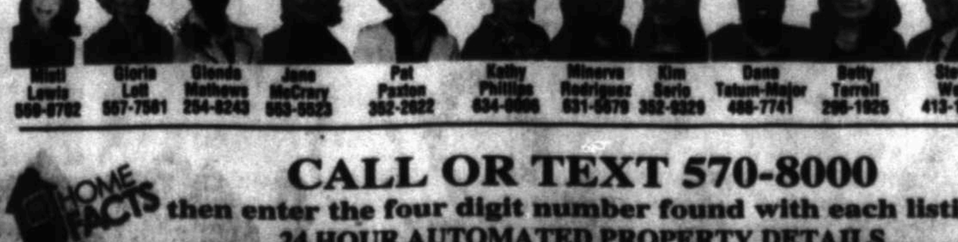
County Rd. 1290-NEW! - 32 Acre Tract **$429,000**
4403 W-220-Great commercial land & 7 acres with interstate 20 frontage! Business Park Zoning **$425,000**
County Rd. 2300-Prime location for residential building sites minutes from Midland w/easy access to the coop! Deed restrictions-No mobile homes! Water Wells without pumps! 20.98 acres! **$209,000**
2270 County Rd. 2001-12.20 acre corner plat with more adjoining acreage available! Great location in developing area with easy access to Loop 250 North! **$182,000**
1536 W. County Rd. 140-NEW!-8.8 acres for residential purposes only! Mobile home is allowed with underpinning! Water well 15 GPM, no pump! **$132,000**
County Rd. 2300-Prime location for residential building sites minutes from Midland w/easy access to the coop! Deed restrictions-No mobile homes! Water Wells without pumps! 10.44 acres! **$104,400**
2221 Timber Wolf Lane-Build in Midland's newest subdivisions. Timber Wolf Estates! Huge 5 acres in Martin County! Roads will be paved by developer! 25 LOTS! **$75,000**
1975 Timber Wolf Lane-Build in Midland's newest subdivisions. Timber Wolf Estates! Huge 4.8 acres in Martin County! Roads will be paved by developer! 25 LOTS! **$72,000**
1998 Timber Wolf Lane-Build in Midland's newest subdivisions. Timber Wolf Estates! Huge 4.3 acres in Martin County! Roads will be paved by developer! 25 LOTS! **$64,500**
Cutter Estates - Build in Gardendale's newest subdivision. Cutter Estates! Approximately 75 acre lots! $35,000 per lot! Will build to suit! 16 LOTS! **$35,000**

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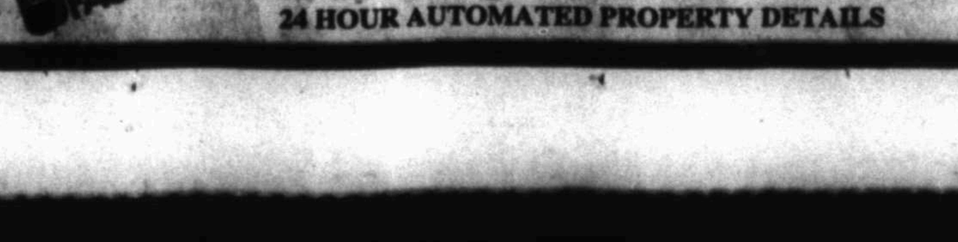
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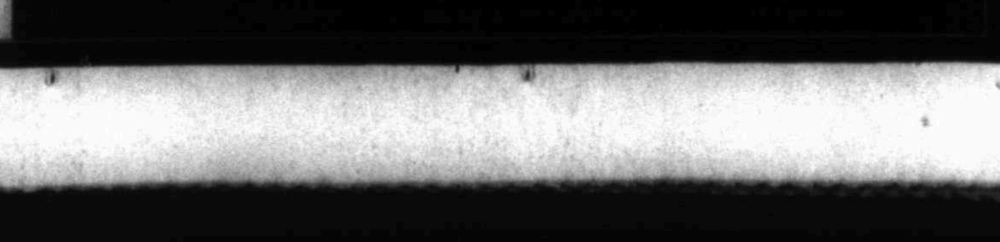
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Shown by Pat Perino, 432-352-2022

OPEN 2:00-4:00 • 1521 S. FORT WORTH - $149,500
Room enough and then some in this 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. Spacious kitchen w/beautiful cabinets, new counter tops, appliances, plumbing fixtures & huge den. Outstanding updates throughout. Adorable green house aside the charming covered patio. Ready to move in now!
Shown by Donna Garr, 432-352-4322



3310 PARK LANE - $154,500
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SUNDAY FEATURED PROPERTY



2138 Mary E. Lee Rd., San Angelo, TX
2 Hours from midland/odessa. Great year round business and nothing else like it in the area. 56' Pontyo/diner cruise boat, pontoon boats, kayaks, paddle boats and jet ski's recently added to rent. Large pool party deck for a wedding, anniversary, birthday or family/business gatherings. Party island w/pool deck for smaller events and space enough for volleyball horseshoes, etc. Call for appointment!
Call Bobby McCourt 432-967-0652



3009 Beerkwalk, Midland, TX
Wow!!! - Beautiful well maintained home & move-in ready. Open floor plan, granite countertops, high ceilings, recessed lighting, crown molding and neutral colors throughout. Spacious back yard with a covered patio and a pergola for relaxing in the evening. Extra lighting around the exterior under the eve maintenance fascia & soffit. Home backs up to enclosed hills country club. Call today to see.
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4906 Thomason Dr. Midland, TX
Charming 3 bedroom/1 ¾ bath house. Two living areas - dining area and spacious kitchen. Large fenced backyard with a covered patio, sidewalks, parking pad with alley access.
Call Brandi Geron 432-238-2402



3805 S. Co. Rd. 1187 Midland, TX
5 acres with 2 beautiful homes. Main house is 3536 sq. ft., 4 bed, 3 bath, 2 living areas plus sunroom, 3 car carport, 1 car garage, built in 1978. Second house is 1387 sq. ft., 3 bed, 2 bath, 2 car garage, built in 2011. Stay behind main house and huge shop out back with covered horse stalls and tack area. 3 wells, 2 separate septic systems in 2011. Gentle countertops and a fireplace in both houses.
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4212 Lehigh Dr. Midland, TX
This is a lovely 3 bedroom two bath home. High ceilings, recessed lighting, amazing kitchen,so well designed, pantry. Abundant windows makes for such a bright interior. Large, large tile in entry thru living, dining and kitchen. A rare find in this location.
Call Lou Matson 432-559-1950



1301 S. Co. Rd. 1090 Midland, TX
"The perfect country property!!!" 13 acres fenced in, horse stables and storage, huge metal workshop with electric and nicely kept double wide mobile home with wooden front porch, fenced/gardened area and schools!
Call Amanda Sparks 432-269-0098



314 E Pecan Ave. Midland, TX
2 bedroom, 1 bath cute house on huge corner lot. It has some updates, one car garage, and a big back yard.
Call Sonya Luna 432-934-8358



3900 S. Co. Rd. 1223 Midland, TX
Beautiful updated home on 1 acre with granite counter tops, updated bathrooms, and a large fireplace. Master bath has a clear tiled tub, separate shower and a large walk in closet. Commercial vinyl flooring that looks like wood, sun room with separate fenced yard including a pergola. Over sized garage with workshop area and a half bath. 40x60 metal building and a 40x80 metal building. Recent roof shingles.
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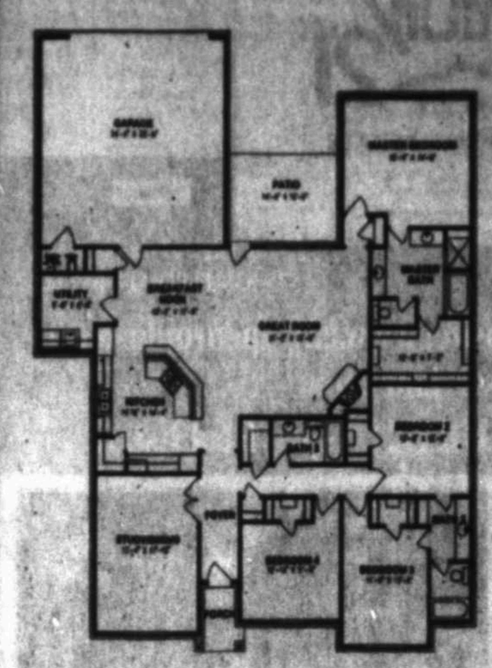


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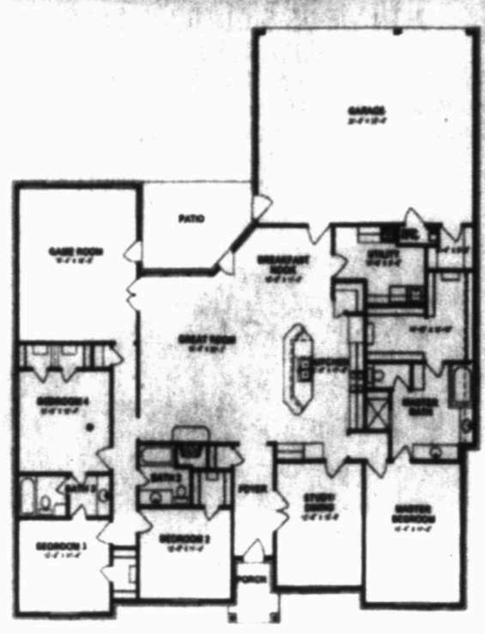
5910 Sabine
$339,500

This gorgeous home in Heritage Oaks includes 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, a formal dining, & large utility room. Kitchen features custom built cabinetry, granite countertops and a gas cooktop. This home is a MUST SEE!



5912 Sabine
$392,500

Open kitchen in this beautiful 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath home. Includes a formal dining room, game room & spacious utility room. Dark stained custom cabinets, stained concrete & a gas cooktop!



Mark Payne Homes Available Homes

5804 Sabine- 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Formal Dining, 3 Car Garage	UC
5811 Sabine- 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Formal Dining, Game Room, 3 Car Garage	UC
5908 Sabine- 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Formal Dining, 3 Car Garage	$351,500
6000 Sabine- 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Game Room, 3 Car Garage	UC
1100 Silverton- 4 Bed, 3.5 Bath, Formal Dining, Game Room, 3 Car Garage	$786,500
1102 Silverton- 5 Bed, 4 Bath, Study & Gameroom, 2 Story, 3 Car Garage	CALL

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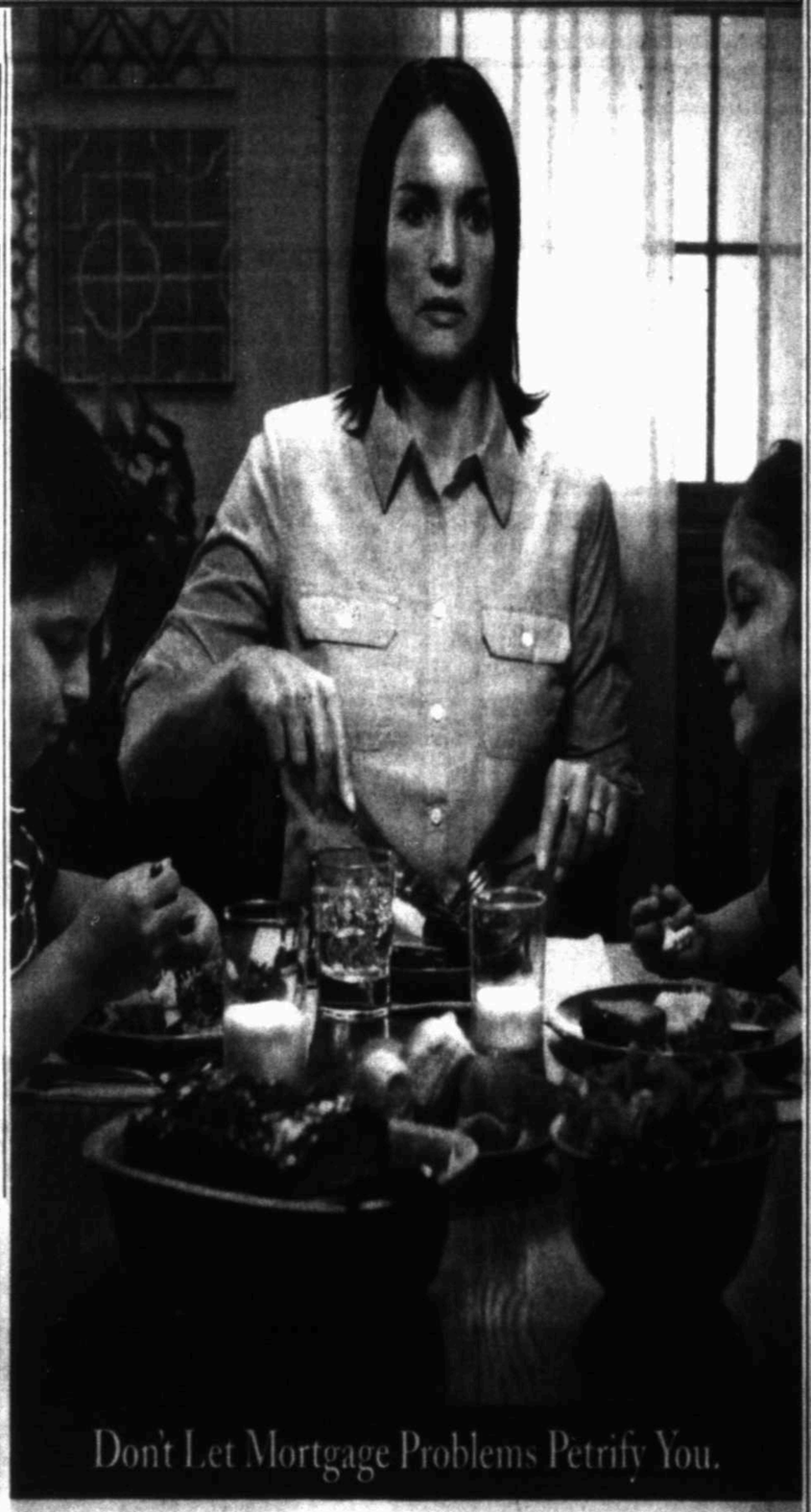
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UNDER CONTRACT

1504 S. DALLAS ST.
3 bedrooms. 1 bath & 1 half bath. 2 living areas. 2 car garage. Totally remodeled. **$119,000**. Call Jim.



4705 S. COUNTY RD. 1172
Beautiful Mediterranean home on 2 acres - 1 water wells - 24 x 30 shop with mud paved from 11/2 to shop - 4 bedrooms, 3 baths - finished basement theater room - great patio with grill, separate 4 bdrgs - separate septic in back for an RV - lots of pecan trees - large kitchen with island. **$575,000**. Contact Kay.



ODESSA

3109 RANCHLAND AVE.
Great house for the money. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath with huge walk in closets. Large workshop and storage bldg. Large backyard with masonry fence and several pecan trees. **$124,000**. Please contact Elvia.

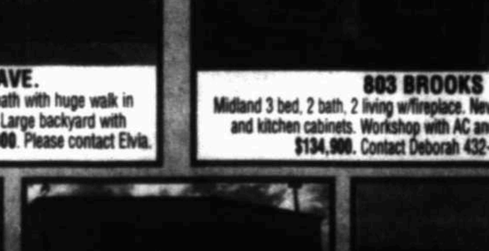


803 BROOKS
Midland 3 bed, 2 bath, 2 living w/fireplace. New paint, carpet, windows and kitchen cabinets. Workshop with AC and water well w/pump. **$134,900**. Contact Deborah 432-553-0556.

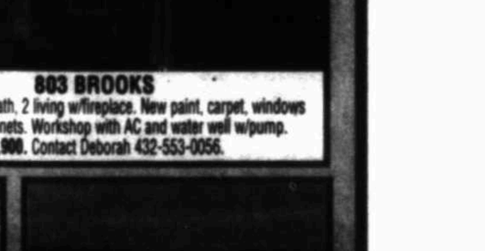


REDUCED

4505 TEAKWOOD TRACE
Spacious home in Green Tree Club Estates. Great 4 bedroom, large living area, tall ceilings. **$304,900**. Contact Elvia 432-978-9798.



3612 CR 1198
Midland Two commercial bldgs on 1 1/2 acres. One bldg is 5030 sf, 3000 shop space with 2 overhead doors and 2000 office space. The other bldg is 2500 sf for storage. There is a small apt in the shop area with central heat and air. Contact Carol 432-528-1632.

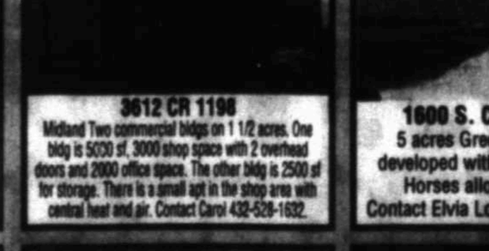


1600 S. CO. RD. 1140
5 acres Greenwood. Area is developed with beautiful homes. Horses allowed. **$82,500**. Contact Elvia Lopez 432-978-9798.



LAND

12205 W. COUNTY RD. 56
Land in well developed Gardendale area. Great country property with 2 water wells. **$121,870**. Please contact Elvia.



4000 LEISURE DR.
1440 Sf. Solid home in good shape but could use some updating. 3 Bed, 2 bath corner lot with chain link fence. Fannie Mae foreclosure **$139,000.00**. Contact Deborah 432-553-0556.



SOLD

NEW LISTING/LAND
1005 E. COUNTY RD. 129
Midland, TX 79705
1.22 acres in Ridgeheights. This lot sits on a well established area. Water well with pump and 40X70 shop. Call Elvia 432-978-9798.



3293 APPERSON DR.
Wonderful 3 (or 4) bedroom home with the prettiest trees around - 2 living areas - separate utility room - storage area behind carport - new tile in the kitchen. **$249,500**. Contact Kay.



6 Acres

11815 W. CO. RD. 58 1/2
6 acres, great location close to amenities, great country feel. Contact Deborah 432-553-0556.



4006 ANDREWS HWY.
2 acres zoned pd raw land. **$200,000**. Contact Carol.

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NEW LISTING
5132 Ashdown - $249,900
Move In Ready! 3bd/2ba, 2020 Fisher Stove, 2020 Kitchen Appliances!

NEW PRICE
3001 Lehigh - $289,900
Move In Ready! Lovely, low maintenance 3/2/2 garage, Fresh Paint & Carpet!

NEW PRICE
1203 W Michigan Ave - $307,000
2010 Patio Enclosure, Fresh Paint, Hardwood Flooring! Some Good Deals!

NEW PRICE
2710 Dunbar - $307,000
Fantastic Pool Home! Updated Kitchen, Fresh Paint & Carpet!

NEW PRICE
3101 S Co Rd 1150 - $319,900
Peace, Privacy, Beautiful Custom Home!

4+ BEDROOMS

6406 Mockingbird - Gorgeous French Country Design with this Brand New Floor Plan by Summit Homes! High End Finishes, Upgraded Appliance Package, Granite, Plantation Shutters, 3 Car Oversized Garage! Still Time To Make Selections, Estimated Completion Nov. 30th ... Now Construction! $599,000
2116 Rockwood - 5 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 3 Living, 4 Car Garage. Stunning 1 Owner McPherson Results!!! Gorgeous Hardwood Flooring, Granite Everywhere! ... Sale Pending! $735,000
2609 Rosewood - 5 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 3 Living, 4 Car Garage. Another Outstanding McPherson Home! One of the last interior lots in Grassland West! This One is LOADED!! ... Sale Pending! $559,000
4108 E CR 61-4 Bedroom, 3 Bath 3 Living on 2.3 ACRES!!! This Gorgeous Custom 1 Owner Home has all the Bells & Whistles, It's LOADED! ... Sale Pending! $499,000
6405 Rosewood - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 Living. Sensational NEW Plan by Almand Construction! All The Bells & Whistles! Granite, Stainless, Faux Paint & Stone Accents! Total Landscape Package! Room For A Pool! ... New Price! $469,000
6521 Rosewood - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Brand NEW Almand Home! Custom Detailing Throughout, LOADED w/moldings, rope trimmed cabinets, stainless, granite! This one is Fully LOADED! Estimated Completion April 1, 2014 ... Sale Pending! $469,000
5010 Casa Grande - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 3 Car Garage. Fabulous Low Maintenance NEW Almand Construction! High End Finishes! Still Time To Make Selections. Estimated Completion July31st! Under Construction! Please Call Victoria For An Appointment! ... New Construction! $439,000
3124 Patrick - 4 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath in Mayfield Place! HUGE Open Plan, Sunroom, Gorgeous Pergola! A Rare Gem!!! ... +++Under Contract in 6 Hours!!! $399,900
7605 Keyhaven - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath 3 Car Garage! Brand NEW Construction. Resea New Homes! Granite, Shutters. All The Bells & Whistles! Landscape Package! Estimated Completion May 2014! ... Sale Pending! $399,000
2403 SW Ave O, Seminole - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 Living, 3 Car Garage. Luxurious 2 Story County Home in Seminole built in 2004! Traditional colonial drive up w/circle drive. Lots of space & storage! Fantastic 'Floor Plan' Oversized Yard! ... New Price! $395,000
5702 Crossridge - 4 Bedroom 3 Bath 3 Car Garage. Huge Kitchen w/table & Granite Countertops!!! Spacious Home 2,800+ sqft. Huge Extended Patio for Entertaining!!! ... Sale Pending! $349,900
1012 Alpine - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath. Open Concept! Nicely Updated! Guest House and Swimming Pool. 4 Car Garage, Shop on a HUGE Lot! The possibilities are Endless!!! ... Sale Pending! $349,900
3204 Feathered Trace - 4 Bedroom, 2 Full Baths, 2 Half Baths, 3 Living! Million $$ Golf Course View Here! Perfect Opportunity to Re-do Your Dream Home! ... $$0.01! $399,900
2601 Dengar - 5 Bedroom, 3 Bath. Rare 2 Story in Fannin Terrace! Appro 3,406 sq. ft. Lots of Updates & Upgrades, Giant Rooms! Inground Pool! ... Sale Pending! $319,500
2901 Danbill - 4 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath in Vista West!!! Spacious Corner Lot. Sequestered Master Bedroom. ... +++Under Contract Less Than 1 Day! $299,000
4426 Jameson Rd., San Angelo - 4 Bedroom, 4.5 Bath. Vintage Midcentury Modern Ranch Style Home! Approx 4,400 sq. ft. Granite in Kitchen, Pool! ... Sale Pending! $284,000
3616 Seminole-3 or 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 Living Areas! Great Open Plan! Sequestered Master Bedroom, Plenty of Storage! ... New Price! $199,500
5801 S Co Rd. 1106 - 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath on 1 Acre in a Quiet Cul-de-sac! Open Plan, Sequestered Master. HOA Neighborhood. FHA Approved! ... Sale Pending! $179,900

2 & 3 BEDROOMS

5104 N Co Rd. 1150 - 3 Bedroom, 3 Bath on 5 Acres! Tucked away on your own private retreat! Winding porch, granite, wood floors, heated tile floors in bathrooms! Sumptuous Master Bedroom w/2 complete master baths! Park like setting w/fruitless pecan trees! ... Fashville Area Price! $599,000
2700 Maine - 3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath. 3 Car Garage! Fantastic Find! Newer Custom Build, Super Hip & Functional Country Living Property! ... New Price! $387,500
5808 Los Alamitos - 3 or 4 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, 2 Living Areas. Location!! Location! Saddle Club South! Beautiful Curb Appeal, Huge Master. Lots of Storage! ... Offers Pfered! $299,900
3506 Rio Grande - 3 Bedroom 2 Bath in Holiday Hill! Bright & Open Floor Plan! Lots of Space! Sequestered Master Suite!!! ... New Price! $289,000
29 Lafayette-3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath in Bankman Square! Custom 2 Story Townhome with ALL the Bells & Whistles! ... Sale Pending! $248,150
1209 W Michigan - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath. Great Gourmet Kitchen w/Stainless Appliances! Hardwood Floors! Bonus Guest House in Back! ... New Price! $247,500
800 Avery-2 Bedroom 2.5 Bath Detached Townhome! Giant Master Suite! Over looking POOL! Generous Living Area, Terrific Courtyard! Recent Paint & Carpet. ALL Appliances Pass! ... New Price! $229,900
4533 N Robin, Odessa - 3 Bedroom 3 Bath. 2 Living. & 2 Dining! Need Space & Room to Roam? 2.5 ACRES w/Barn. House is approximately 2,855 sqft! ... New Price! $227,000
3801 Virginia - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath Perfect Than NEW Home w/ Hollandale Heights! Move In Ready! Open Plan, Stainless Appliances, 'Sequestered Master! ... New Listing! $218,000
2900 North C Street - 2 Bedroom 2 Bathroom. Everywhere you look something has been replaced, redone, & updated to Look Fantastic! ... Sale Pending! $204,900
2234 W Dengar - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2 Living Areas, Granite in the Kitchen!!! Large Corner Lot! ... New Listing! $199,900
2608 Mariana - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2 Living Areas, 2 Car Garage. HUGE Lot in Town!!! 0.51 Acres, Huge Living Area, Beautiful Rock Fireplace! ... New Listing! $199,900
2605 Mark - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, in Wyldewood Estates! Vaulted ceilings, no carpet in this home! Immaculately Maintained!!! ... New Listing! $199,900
3410 W Louisiana - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2 Living, 2 Car Garage. Cute Clean House! Big Kitchen! ... Coming Soon! $189,900
4508 Amige - 3 Bedroom 1.5 Bath, 2 Living, Large Shop/Garage! Many Updates! Ready For You To Move In!!! ... Offers Pfered! $149,900
4520 Loddy-3 Bedroom 2 Bath, 2 Living Areas!!! Totally UPDATED Home! Brand NEW 2nd Bath, new carpet, fixtures, All new kitchen, & So Much More! To Too Much to List! ... Sale Pending! $149,900
3408 Tanner - 3 Bedroom 1 Bath Darling Darling Home!!! Totally Remodeled! ... Back on the Market! $129,777
607 Dunberry - 2 Bedroom 1 Bath New Cabinets, Fresh Paint, Gorgeous Moldings & Trim! Custom Details! So Much More! Expect to be IMPRESSED!!! ... Sale Pending! $119,900
1605 Butternut - 2 Bedroom 1 Bath 2 Living Areas! IMMACULATE Home! What a Find! Hardwood Floors, Tile, Roof 2 years old! Expect to be impressed! ... Sale Pending! $119,500
4307 Pheasant - 3 Bedroom 1 Bath 2 Living. Cute Clean Home! Fresh Interior Paint, LOADED W/Ceramic Tile Flooring! Huge Backyard! ... New Listing! $115,500
3215 Roosevelt - 3 Bedroom 1 Bath ADORABLE Cute Cottage! Central Heat/Air. Doll House Delivery! ... New Price! $99,900
3010 Pershing, Odessa - 3 Bedroom 1 Bath. Darling Clean Doll House!!! Updated paint & carpet, ALL Appliances Pass w/Sale! ... Sale Pending! $89,900
2004 Dawson - 2 Bedroom 1 Bath. Cute Cute Cute Starter Home! Fresh Interior Paint, Stainless Electric Range! Large Back Yard! Great Price Point!!! ... Sale Pending! $79,900
1300 S Dowle - 3 Bedroom, 1 Bath. HEY YOU Handyman! Need a house to fix? 1 owner home ORIG owner from 1930! 0.388 of an acre. Storm cellar ... New Price! $49,900

COMMERCIAL/LOTS/ACREAGE

903 W Industrial - 4 Total Buildings on 1.5 Acres! Office Building, Separate Metal Warehouse, 2 Shops! Call Norma For More Details! ... New Listing! $795,000
520 W CR W, Odessa - Phenomenal Investment Opportunity here! ENTIRE block of land, Church & Warehouses included! ... New Price! $600,000
3501 Billy Hext Rd., Odessa - Fabulous Pvt Site w/ Eastridge Office Park! Anchor Location! Call Chris for more details! ... New Price! $550,000
1111 W Wall - Fantastic Opportunity to Own Your Own Business!!! Loads of Space, High Traffic Location! Zoned O! Call Chris for Details ... New Price! $325,000
6112 Dunbarton Oaks - Build Your Dream Home in New Mockingbird Oaks Subdivision! 1.01 Acres! ... 0,01 $195,000
Schertzauer Dr - Investor Opportunity! 4 Lots Sold in package. 1201-1207 Schertzauer Dr. Owner will not subdivide. Ready to Build! May require flood insurance ... Lot! $75,000
N. Knotty Pine, Gardendale - Wonderful Opportunity to Build Dream Home! Quiet County Setting on 2.41 ACRES! Call Norma ... Sale Pending! $39,500
Loop 464, Monahans - No Known Restrictions! Corner lot on 0.41 Acres. Call Carol for details! ... Lot! $10,000
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2112 Tweetsaw Trail - Cedar Park 2 Yr old home by KB Homes! 4 Bd/2 Living in Fantastic Silverado close to 1431 shopping! ... New Price! $264,000
138 Dove Lane - 3 Bedroom 2 Bath in gated Mussonvalens with access to lake LBJ! ... Sale Pending! $199,000
404 Emerald Way - Fabulous Cul-de-sac Lot in Horseshoe Bay West Ready to Build On! Call 512-796-4340 ... New Price! $29,900

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Saenz Signature Homes
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6500 Saddle Horn Lane
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Fabulous 4bed 4 1/2bath, 4 car garage Robert Graham Resale in Grassland West!

5132 ASHDOWN - $249,900 UNDER CONTRACT
Lovely updated 3 bed/2bath/2 garage in Saddle Club South.

3001 LEHIGH $289,900
Lovely, low maintenance 3/2/2 gar. W/ 30 x 30 insulated shop w/ electric opener, tool bench & loft storage.

6107 DUNBARTON OAKS $975,000 UNDER CONTRACT
Spectacular custom 5 bed/5 bath/ 5 garage new construction by Troy Hunt Homes.

1813 DUKES - $365,000 UNDER CONTRACT
Gorgeous updated home in Polo Park! 4 Bed/3 bath/3 garage!

3405 MARK LANE - $249,900 UNDER CONTRACT
Nice! move in ready 4bed, 2bath, 2car garage in Fairmont Park!

1311 PUEBLO - $299,900 UNDER CONTRACT
Exceptionally maintained 3bed/2bath home in 349 Ranch Estates on a nice .47 Acre lot!

3997 LAKESIDE DR. ODESSA, TX - $209,900
Nice 3 bed, 2 bath, 2 car home with a huge workshop!

4705 AZALEA $299,900
Spacious 4bed 2 ½ bath home on a cul-de-sac in Briarwood!

2513 HARVARD $245,000
Large 3bed 2bath home in a fabulous location just feet away from beautiful Cowden Park!

LAND 6512 MOCKINGBIRD LN. $120,000
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RESIDENTIAL LISTINGS/HOME SITES/ACREAGE

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3418 Baumann Ave ... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/1 Car Garage ... LVC
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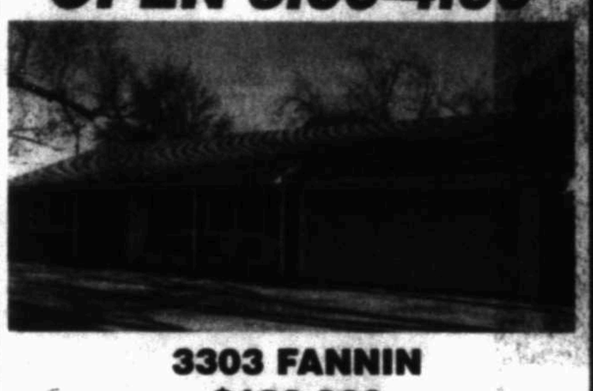
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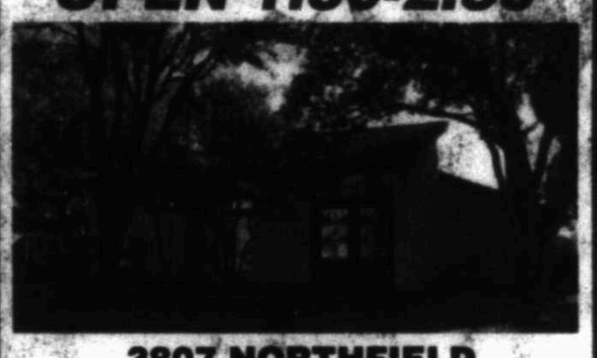
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7244 MANFORD LANE, ODESSA - $175,000
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Sunday, March 23, 2014

3 Fearless Color Tips for Spring

Good riddance, winter! Hasten warmer weather by inviting fresh new colors into your home

By Yena Lee | CTW Features

Snowmageddon, chillpocalypse and snowzilla, be gone. It's time to shrug off winter's chill and let the spring in. And there is no better way to celebrate the arrival of warmer weather than by fearlessly injecting some warm, bright hues into your home décor, says British interior design writer Will Taylor, color aficionado behind the popular Bright Bazaar blog.

"The days are slowly growing longer and the stores are already starting to fill up with an array of colorful new products as the spring collections filter in. There is no season better suited to refreshing your home than spring," he says.

Taylor believes people should decorate with colors they love, expressing their personalities, inspirations and even dreams through the colors they choose and combine in their living spaces. His new book, "Bright Bazaar: Embracing Color for Make-You-Smile Style" (St. Martin's Press, 2014) offers tips and techniques presented room, object and hue ("The Cerulean Splash.")

Traditionally, neutral white, ivory, taupe and beige are the colors of choice for walls and the overall color scheme of a room, Taylor says. But he sees a definite shift to the use of tinted neutrals. "More people are gravitating towards pale blue-green colors for their base palettes," Taylor says.

A powdery sky blue can enhance the spirit of a space without being too loud, Taylor says, flattering rather than dominating the objects and art in a room.

Taylor's tips for embracing spring color:

Choose a palette

What colors attract you? Look at your clothing and home accessories for hints. Homeowners do not need to decide on a full range of colors immediately. Rather, gradually build up an idea of your own perfect palette before deciding how to redecorate or repaint.

Taylor suggests thinking green for spring. "Chose a soft, washed-out mint shade for the walls or paint a wooden desk in a more saturated green, like pistachio," he says. Those colors are fresh and invigorating, yet not too saccharine.

Invite bolder, daring splashes of color into the room in the form of soft furnishings and decorative accessories. "Perhaps a yellow throw on a white couch or a collection of dusty pink and hot neon pink vases on a sideboard," says Taylor.

Focus, focus, focus

Perhaps a homeowner already knows the colors he or she prefers, but struggles to find a starting point. Taylor suggests honing in on one key item, a rug, a vase or a painting. "Pick a key piece for your scheme and use it as the reference point for the rest of the palette and room design," advises Taylor. The approach helps narrow your options and creates consistency.

Colorful chairs can be a great way to bring color into a room.

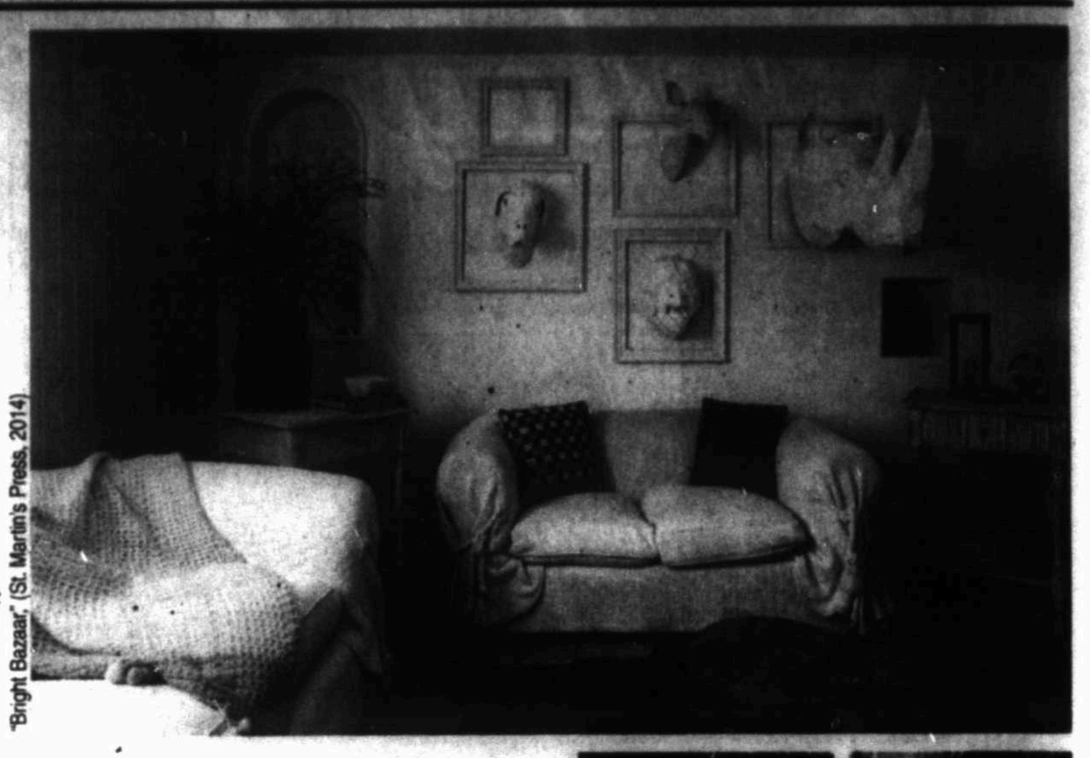
"Pepper a series of different colored wooden chairs around a dining table or re-upholster a series of retro finds from a flea market," says Taylor.

Be daring. Paint a few occasional chairs in an offbeat hue to bring a sense of fun to a room. "Take the chance to dip your toes into a new hue and create a color statement," Taylor says. Chairs in a single hue of graduating shades will create a focal point when placed around a dining table.

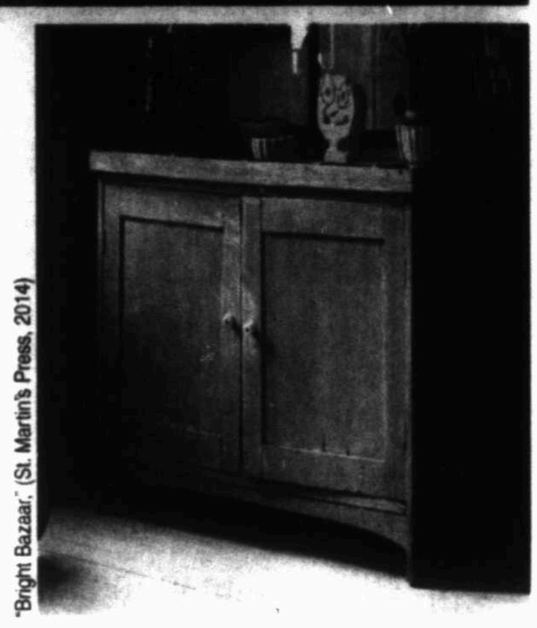
Consider lighting

The natural light available in a room may be the biggest factor in determining how the colors you choose for walls and furnishings will appear. Stick with warm tones in a north-facing room with its cool light, Taylor suggests. South-facing spaces call for lighter shades, he says.

Lighting fixtures are a great way to quickly brighten or add drama to a room. For a fast, inexpensive upgrade, "Switch out a lamp shade beside the bed for a brighter design," Taylor says. A simple shade can transform an ordinary piece into something that looks fresh and eye-catching.



"Bright Bazaar," (St. Martin's Press, 2014)



"Bright Bazaar," (St. Martin's Press, 2014)

Color punch: spring flowers, a yellow bowl and a no-apologies-yellow throw bring spring to a neutral living room, above, designed by Ingrid Jasen; right, a rustic sideboard refreshed with a fresh coat of pistachio paint

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Thoughtful Kitchen Designs Court Family Togetherness

Open floor plans, curved islands and comfortable seating beckon busy families to slow down and sit down – together

By Erin Chan Ding | CTW Features

Maybe for dinner you inhaled a Pop-Tart while perched on an ottoman, your spouse ate chicken while reading magazines at the kitchen island and your kids gulped down pizza in front of the TV.

Or maybe your dining table holds so much clutter that it functions more like a desk instead of a place for food. Or the hassle of bringing out plates and silverware puts a damper on the idea of gathering the family at the table for dinner.

But it doesn't have to be that way. Thoughtful design for home dining areas can make it possible to enjoy meals as a family. Jumping on these evolving trends can make eating together easier and just downright fun.

Take advantage of open floor plans. Modern floor plans have done away with walls and partitions between kitchen, dining and living areas and encourage families to spend more time together, especially around mealtimes.

Great rooms and open floor plans "just seem to be a better match for how people live, versus having formal dining rooms," says Nancy Barisof, head of her own Seattle design firm.

The trend to larger, professionally equipped kitchens has helped undermine the formal dining room. "People gravitate toward whoever's cooking," Barisof says.

Welcome kitchen diners by incorporating comfortable furniture into the kitchen, even adding a table lamp to help establish a gathering-room feel.

A well-designed kitchen island can make quicker meals, like breakfast, more meaningful.

Kitchen stools from that swing out when needed and can be tucked back under the island when not in use are the new favorites of Kerrie Kelly, owner of Kerrie Kelly Design Lab, Sacramento, Calif., and the author of "Home Décor" (Oxmoor House, 2009).

Barisof advises clients who are installing a new kitchen island to put a curve in it, making it semicircular so that family members can see each other.

"Part of the experience of dining is to connect with other people and talk with them," she says. "It's much easier to do that when you face someone than when you sit alongside them."

A mixture of furniture in the kitchen can help set the stage for socializing. You don't have to default to a long dining table with matching chairs. In fact, think benches.

"Banquettes have been hot on the scene," says Kelly.

Also, consider mixing aesthetics. Pair an antique or rustic table with minimalist chairs.

"Mixing up styles is a big trend, but I think it lends itself to less formality," Barisof says, "especially if you want to have an everyday, kid-friendly, family environment."

Toy with furniture placement, moving a table against one wall rather than centering it. Or, if space is an issue, use shelves instead of a sideboard.

"Choose the furniture for comfort," Kelly says, "and arrange it for ease of movement."

When it comes to kitchen appliances and accessories, think convenient and kid-friendly. Find ways to simplify setup and cleanup. For example, a freestanding unit with open shelves near the dining area can hold flatware and dishes, Barisof says, making everything more accessible.

Having young children doesn't mean you're forced to cover everything in vinyl to protect furniture. Treated upholstery fabrics – Barisof is a fan of the Nano-Tex finish – allow families to have spill-resistant, fashionable chairs and benches.

And if you have a more traditional, separate dining room that you'd like to use more often for everyday meals? Think outside the box. Buy a can of chalkboard paint and use it on an entire wall. You could write family meals there, or just unleash the kids on it.

"You could take that room," Barisof says, "and make it appealing for kids to eat there."



Diamond Cabinets

Gathering places: a built-in banquette using Diamond Cabinets' Anden door style, round table and comfortable upholstered seats invite families to spend time together.

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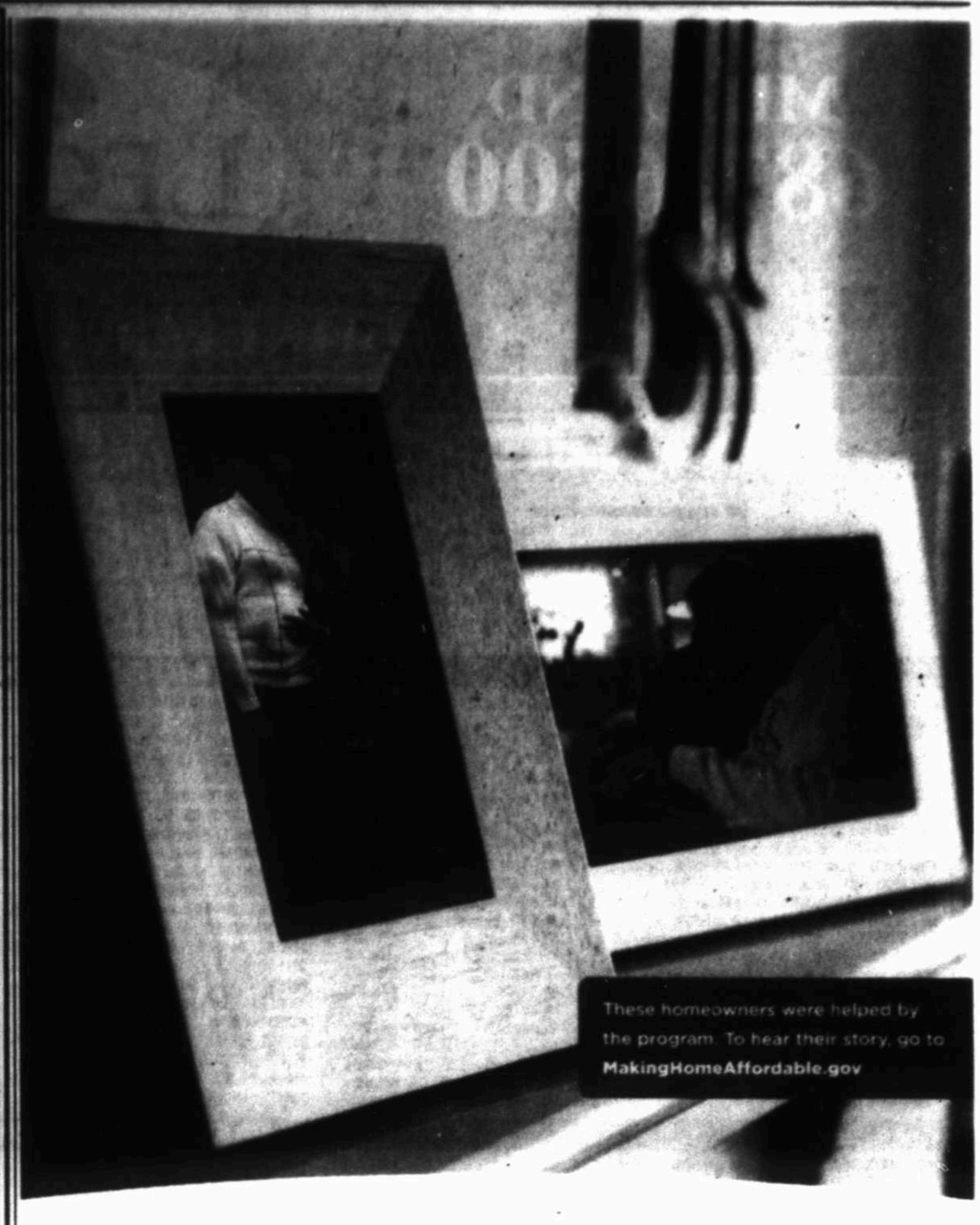
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LANCE FINNEY HOMES
12301 E. CD. RD. 111 *Clemmie Sorge 553-9136* ..... MLS #97581 ..... **480/$329,900**
3109 S. CD. RD. 1067 *Clemmie Sorge 553-9136* ..... MLS #97023 ..... **480/$322,000**

12102 E. CD. RD. 111 *Clemmie Sorge 553-9136* ..... MLS #97502 ..... **3BD/$329,900**
TONY E. HAIR CONSTRUCTION, LLC
3309 CASTLE PINE RD *Pam Dodd 413-5766* ..... MLS #98005 ..... **$409,900**
1407 E. PECAN AVE *Josie Rendon 689-8394* ..... MLS #98404 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
1407 E. PECAN AVE *Josie Rendon 689-8394* ..... MLS #98404 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
TONY E. HAIR CONSTRUCTION, LLC
1309 PINE AVE *Josie Rendon 689-8394* ..... MLS #98157 ..... **$185,000**
HERVE LEVEAU
1212 E. OAK *Virginia Elizondo 349-7782* ..... MLS #97199 ..... **4BD/$183,000**
TONY E. HAIR CONSTRUCTION, LLC
1005 W. CD. RD. 1066 *Clemmie Sorge 553-9136* ..... MLS #97272 ..... **$313,000**
1005 W. CD. RD. 1066 *Clemmie Sorge 553-9136* ..... MLS #97272 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
TONY WOODWORTH
1204 BRECKENRIDGE *Woodward Park* ..... MLS #00000 ..... **$625,000**

FOUR OR MORE BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

4520 CORSAIR CT *Lisa Jansa 691-3389* ..... MLS #96233 ..... **$1,300,000**
2504 TEXLAND CIRCLE *Pam Messer 349-3075* ..... MLS #97394 ..... **$1,250,000**
3310 BLUEBIRD *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #97312 ..... **$1,200,000**
501 SIR BARTON PKWY *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #97675 ..... **$1,150,000**
918 HARVARD *Larry Hatfield 349-4788* ..... MLS #97761 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
6820 HOMESTEAD BLVD *Peggy Spence 664-3011* ..... MLS #96570 ..... **$800,000**
1110 SILVERTON *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #96824 ..... **$786,500**
1703 COUNTRY CLUB *Lavonne Johnson 770-3883* ..... MLS #96164 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
8301 GLASGOW *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #96896 ..... **$760,000**
4706 RUSTIC TRAIL *Larry Hatfield 349-4788* ..... MLS #98032 ..... **$699,000**
6212 ORIOLE CT *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #97621 ..... **$695,000**
4915 TATTENHAM CORNER *Angie McKay 599-0272* ..... MLS #95834 ..... **$699,000**
5312 BELLA PL *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #96858 ..... **$698,000**
5418 BASSWOOD CIRCLE *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #97814 ..... **$650,000**
6827 ISLAND CIRCLE *Danny Norwood 618-5012* **$639,900**
1501 W. SCHARBAUER DR *Laura Lyons Sales 618-1818* ..... MLS #97180 ..... **$575,000**
9100 TEAKWOOD TR *Kim Merrill 664-4702* ..... MLS #96512 ..... **$575,000**
8200 GLASGOW DR *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #97719 ..... **$549,900**
2900 NEELY AVE *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #96858 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
1210 BRECKENRIDGE DR *Jane Wolf 352-4808* ..... MLS #98015 ..... **$525,000**
1204 BRECKENRIDGE-WOODLAND *Lavonne Johnson 770-3883* ..... MLS #00000 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
10300 E. CD. RD. 103 *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #97882 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
4834 RUSTIC TRAIL *Jane Wolf 352-4808* ..... MLS #96543 ..... ***SALE PENDING***

4300 TUMBLEWEED TRAIL *Lisa Jansa 661-3389* ..... MLS #95481 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
5900 CASTLE PINE *Pam Dodd 413-5766* ..... MLS #95868 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
5100 TEAKWOOD TRACE *Kim Merrill 664-4702* ..... MLS #96115 ..... **$450,000**
1207 W. KANSAS *Virginia Elizondo 349-7782* ..... MLS #96239 ..... **$415,000**
5600 SHAWPATH *Ruth Young 682-7884* ..... MLS #97980 ..... **$409,000**
5000 BUNKHORTON OASIS *Tracy Farrow 413-4412* ..... MLS #96818 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3322 W. COUNTY RD. 105 *Brian Sales 618-1818* ..... MLS #97471 ..... **$399,900**
4905 GRANITE *Brian Sales 618-1818* ..... MLS #98107 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3100 SEABOARD *Ruth Young 682-7884* ..... MLS #96256 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
4107 BOULDER *Donna Omar 349-1458* ..... MLS #95205 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
2893 DOUGLAS *Donna Omar 349-1458* ..... MLS #95865 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
4605 HILLSBORO CT *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #97651 ..... **$375,000**
3404 MARBLE LN *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #97995 ..... **$375,000**
4205 NORTHTOWN PLACE *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #97965 ..... **$375,000**
5811 LLANO CT *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #98137 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
2820 W. DENGAR AVE *Jane Wolf 352-4808* ..... MLS #98160 ..... **$330,000**
3909 CRESTLINE AVE *Betty Hicks 553-8194* ..... MLS #98776 ..... **$329,000**
402 DENGAR AVE *Darla Davis 260-8077* ..... MLS #95438 ..... **$329,000**
5609 STERLING CT *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #97448 ..... **$318,000**
3005 MEADOWBROOK *Josie Alvarez 618-5013* ..... MLS #96094 ..... **$299,900**
5801 E. CD. RD. 110 *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #97902 ..... **$295,000**
3414 ROSEMONT *Donna Othar 349-1458* ..... MLS #96940 ..... **$290,000**

3305 RED *Larry Hatfield 618-5012* ..... MLS #97007 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3019 SEABOARD *Laura Sales 618-1818* ..... MLS #96075 ..... **$282,900**
4108 RIVERWOOD ST *Brian Sales 618-1818* ..... MLS #98218 ..... **$249,900**
3000 STANOLIND *Laura Sales 618-1818* ..... MLS #97943 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3900 VERMONT *Brian Sales 618-1818* ..... MLS #97946 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3900 STANOLIND AVE *Clemmie Sorge 553-9136* ..... MLS #96204 ..... **$235,000**
2506 EMERSON *Karen Foster 559-4086* ..... MLS #96516 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
2104 WHITNEY DR *Leah Watkins 599-2187* ..... MLS #94725 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3000 BAUMANN AVE *Clemmie Sorge 553-9136* ..... MLS #95537 ..... **$225,000**
3002 GEOFFRY CT *Amy Busher Barnett 352-6714* ..... MLS #97765 ..... **$225,000**
1401 E. CD. RD. 148 *Angie McKay 599-0272* ..... MLS #98044 ..... **$225,000**
3210 STUTZ DRIVE *Madison Shaw 528-4640* ..... MLS #97468 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
5115 BLUE HAVEN *Larry Hatfield 349-4788* ..... MLS #97445 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3200 MARK LANE *Melissa Williams 349-2832* ..... MLS #97484 ..... **$216,000**
700 STOREY AVE *Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819* ..... MLS #98036 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
2811 W. LOUISIANA AVE *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #97464 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
2900 CINNAMON *Lisa Jansa 691-3389* ..... MLS #95802 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3210 FAIRGATE *Angie McKay 599-0272* ..... MLS #98033 ..... **$173,900**
2401 NORTHTOWN COURT *Angie McKay 599-0272* ..... MLS #94902 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3410 TANNER *Josie Alvarez 618-5013* ..... MLS #98179 ..... **$139,900**
2811 W. CD. RD. 116 *Mark Phillober 222-5071* ..... MLS #93036 ..... **$122,500**
1414 E. PARKER *Lisa Jansa 691-3389* ..... MLS #96073 ..... ***SALE PENDING***

THREE BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

3807 NORTHTOWN *Ashley St. John 352-6254* ..... MLS #97301 ..... **$899,000**
3302 BLUEBIRD LANE *Lavonne Johnson 770-3883* ..... MLS #94206 ..... **5.13 Acres/$550,000**
5333 BELLA PL *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #96861 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
5518 GLADIOLA *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #95989 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3905 CARDINAL LANE *Caleb Matott 349-3330* ..... MLS #97280 ..... **3+ Acres/$499,999**
1800 N. 1 ST *Larry Hatfield 349-4788* ..... MLS #97320 ..... **$499,900**
1705 CUTHBERT *Lavonne Johnson 770-3883* ..... MLS #96293 ..... **$498,500**
1404 BEDFORD *Maria Mallory 352-4021* ..... MLS #98046 ..... **$475,000**
5211 ELLEN JAYNE WAY *Karen Foster 559-4086* ..... MLS #97704 ..... **$449,000**
5307 QUICKSAND *Ashley St. John 352-6254* ..... MLS #97594 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
5310 WIMBERLEY SPRINT CT *Laura Sales 618-1818* ..... MLS #98047 ..... **$379,900**
2708 SAVOY *Brooks Smith 528-2980* ..... MLS #95610 ..... **$350,000**
2407 GOLF COURSE ROAD *Kim Rivers 934-5995* ..... MLS #96863 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
5315 BELLA PLACE *Karen Foster 559-4086* ..... MLS #96775 ..... **$348,000**
5205 ELLEN JAYNE WAY *Karen Foster 559-4086* ..... MLS #96838 ..... **$335,000**
5616 GRASSLAND BLVD *Kay Rivers 934-5995* ..... MLS #97371 ..... **$330,000**
206 E. CD. RD. 127-ROPING ARENA *Caleb Matott 349-3330* ..... MLS #95768 ..... **7.97 Acres/$325,000**
2514 QUAIL PT *Donna Omar 349-1458* ..... MLS #97890 ..... **$325,000**
2403 STUTZ PLACE *Angie McKay 599-0272* ..... MLS #96309 ..... **$324,900**
2501 WOR 130 *Jennifer Martin 349-2632* ..... MLS #96114 ..... **$325,000**
5816 GRASSLAND BLVD *Kay Rivers 934-5995* ..... MLS #97371 ..... **$320,000**
5002 QUARTZ LN *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #96775 ..... **$349,000**
4821 ROSEWOOD *Peggy Spence 664-3011* ..... MLS #96466 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
1604 WINFIELD *Karen Mason 349-3550* ..... MLS #96119 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
2512 BEDFORD DR *Susan Palmer 978-7816* ..... MLS #98151 ..... **$279,900**
2600 FRONTIER *Danny Norwood 618-5012* ..... MLS #97318 ..... **$279,900**
3903 WESTMINSTER *Brian Sales 618-1818* ..... MLS #96250 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
1418 N. TEXAS AVE *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #97044 ..... **$275,000**
3212 DURANT *Gina Reyes 553-6381* ..... MLS #97456 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
2103 MARCIE CT *Susan Palmer 978-7816* ..... MLS #98008 ..... **$268,000**
2512 HARVARD *Kim Merrill 664-4702* ..... MLS #98021 ..... **$265,000**
4500 TREVINO *Betty Hicks 553-8194* ..... MLS #97331 ..... **$249,000**
1300 W. LOUISIANA AVE *Angie McKay 599-0272* ..... MLS #97043 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
5810 BRUNSWICK *Laura Sales 618-1818* ..... MLS #97257 ..... ***SOLD***

5208 LAVACA *Ashley St. John 352-6254* ..... MLS #96280 ..... ***SOLD***
1800 RANGER ROAD *Lisa Jansa 661-3389* ..... MLS #95544 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
2818 MOSS *Karen Foster 559-4806* ..... MLS #96251 ..... **$230,500**
6000 BRIARWOOD AVE *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #97723 ..... **$235,000**
4215 ST. ANDREWS *Clemmie Sorge 553-9136* ..... MLS #97673 ..... **$229,900**
3317 CAMARIE *Ashley St. John 352-6254* ..... MLS #98223 ..... **$225,000**
2516 FAULKNER *Stacy Gonzalez 413-7061* ..... MLS #98024 ..... **$225,000**
5118 ASHDOWN PLACE *Kim Merrill 664-4702* ..... MLS #94819 ..... **$225,000**
1102 PORTERFIELD *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #98134 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3325 PROVIDENCE DR *Laura Sales 618-1818* ..... MLS #97126 ..... ***SOLD***
2824 DEMDAR *Danny Norwood 618-5012* **$210,000**
3406 STANOLIND *Lavonne Johnson 770-3883* ..... MLS #97801 ..... **$210,000**
3209 SHANDON *Donna Omar 349-1458* ..... MLS #96414 ..... **$210,000**
4603 BISHOPS CASTLE *Barbara McWilliams 230-2034* ..... MLS #97010 ..... **$209,900**
722 W. KANSAS AVE *Angie McKay 599-0272* ..... MLS #97046 ..... **$209,000**
2819 EMERSON PL *Ruth Young 352-0996* ..... MLS #97584 ..... **$208,000**
1113 PORTERFIELD *Susan Palmer 978-7816* ..... MLS #97846 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
2106 W. MISSOURI *Brian Sales 618-1818* ..... MLS #97387 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3201 W. SHANDON-Tri-Level *Lavonne Johnson 770-3883* ..... MLS #00000 ..... **$199,900**
3115 FM 307 *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #97831 ..... **$195,000**
4526 LEDDY DR *Jose Alvarez 618-5013* ..... MLS #97979 ..... **$194,900**
2903 AURORA LANE *Jose Rendon 689-8394* ..... MLS #97756 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
5007 SAN ANTONIO AVE *Tracy Farrow 413-4412* ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3305 FANNIN *Ashley St. John 352-6254* ..... MLS #98091 ..... **$189,900**
4526 LEDDY *Jose Alvarez 618-5013* ..... MLS #97979 ..... **$189,900**
1509 GARDEN LANE *Jose Rendon 689-8394* ..... MLS #97681 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
5110 ANETTA *Melissa Williams 349-2832* ..... MLS #95882 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
4307 FERNCLIFF *Danny Norwood 618-5012* ..... MLS #95558 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
6204 CHICKASAW *Mona Lopez 967-8602* ..... MLS #94466 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3507 CRESTMONT DR *Lydia Scudder 853-7200* ..... MLS #95289 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
1802 ALPINE ST *Clemmie Sorge 553-9136* ..... MLS #95210 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3003 W. WADLEY AVE *Kay Rivers 934-5995* ..... MLS #94288 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
4718 COUNTRY CLUB DR *Lydia Scudder 853-7200* ..... MLS #98314 ..... **$180,000**
110 W. SPRUCE *Maria Mallory 352-4021* ..... MLS #97840 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3705 W. MICHIGAN AVE *Larry Hatfield 349-4788* ..... MLS #97210 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
2500 CIMMARON AVE *Clemmie Sorge 553-9136* ..... MLS #97317 ..... **$173,900**
3205 WHITTLE WAY *Jane Wolf 352-4808* ..... MLS #97898 ..... ***SALE PENDING***

4326 GREENBRIAR *Danny Norwood 618-5012* ..... MLS #96555 ..... **$172,000**
1328 E. PINE *Darla Davis 260-8077* ..... MLS #96302 ..... **$160,000**
1110 HICKORY "A" *Josie Rendon 689-8394* ..... MLS #97345 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
1110 HICKORY "B" *Josie Rendon 689-8394* ..... MLS #97345 ..... **3/$539,900**
3213 S. CD. RD. 1066 *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #96612 ..... **$160,000**
3004 STOREY AVE *Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819* ..... MLS #97683 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
6001 S. CD. RD. 1285 *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #97559 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
2314 HAYNES *Susan Palmer 978-7816* ..... MLS #96851 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
4016 MONTY DR *Melissa Williams 349-2812* ..... MLS #95704 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
4000 ANETTA DR *Mona Lopez 967-8602* ..... MLS #95494 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
5115 SUNNYSIDE DR *Lydia Scudder 853-2200* ..... MLS #95307 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3614 STOREY AVE *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #97839 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
2513 N. CUTHBERT AVE *Jane Wolf 352-4808* ..... MLS #96523 ..... **$149,900**
3320 CINNAMON AVE *Lydia Scudder 853-2200* ..... MLS #95111 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
4013 CUTHBERT *Jane Wolf 352-4808* ..... MLS #97843 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
2606 N. MIDKIFF *Tracy Farrow 413-4412* ..... MLS #97024 ..... **$149,500**
909 WAVERLY *Brian Sales 618-1818* ..... MLS #97414 ..... **$149,000**
3216 OHIO AVE *Donna Omar 349-1458* ..... MLS #94377 ..... **$147,500**
3513 N. CUTHBERT AVE *Jane Wolf 352-4808* ..... MLS #96523 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3708 AVONDALE *Randy Peets 889-8296* ..... MLS #96401 ..... **$144,900**
406 W. ESTES AVE *Jose Rendon 689-8394* ..... MLS #97789 ..... **$138,000**
2203 HOLLOWAY *Laura Sales 618-1818* ..... MLS #97424 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
4607 MCKNIGHT DR *Susan Palmer 978-7816* ..... MLS #95674 ..... **$129,900**
1011 WHITAKER *Ashley St. John 352-6254* ..... MLS #98016 ..... **$129,900**
4009 MONTY DR *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #98138 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
2709 MARIANA *Virginia Elizondo 349-7782* ..... MLS #98115 ..... **$127,000**
4207 ANETTA DR *Pam Messer 349-3075* ..... MLS #95057 ..... **$119,000**
1941 ENGLISH DR *Michelle Lesikar 230-3633* ..... MLS #97008 ..... **$116,000**
1205 CENTURY *Jennifer Martin 349-2632* ..... MLS #96047 ..... **$110,000**
803 SPRUCE AVE *Melissa Williams 349-2812* ..... MLS #91025 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
410 N. FORT WORTH *Gloria Valdez Farmer 563-2732* ..... MLS #91785 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
1208 BURCHILL DR *Sam McCrary 634-8370* ..... MLS #95144 ..... **$97,500**
1612 BROOKDALE DR *Sue Lytle 661-5338* ..... MLS #95551 ..... **$80,000**
1813 E. OAK *Danny Norwood 618-5012* ..... MLS #94686 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
1204 GARDEN LANE *Josie Rendon 689-8394* ..... MLS #97511 ..... **$79,900**
1009 SHIRLEY LANE *Cheryl Parrish 352-3053* ..... MLS #97526 ..... **$2,800/MONTH**

ONE/TWO BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

4000 & 4002 ANDREWS HWY *Ruth Young 352-0996* ..... MLS #94450/94453 ..... **$425,000**
3608 WEDGEWOOD *Ruth Young 682-7884* ..... MLS #96196 ..... **$275,000**
2100 W. WADLEY #68 *Kay Rivers 934-5995* ..... MLS #94865 ..... **$295,000**
1207 W LOUISIANA AVE *Kay Rivers 934-5995* ..... MLS #95730 ..... **$185,000**
1405 W. TENNESSEE AVE *Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819* ..... MLS #98158 ..... **$149,900**

4418 FAIRGATE *Angie McKay 599-0272* ..... MLS# 95633 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
2415 IDLEWILDE *Virginia Elizondo 349-7782* ..... MLS #98190 ..... **$129,000**
3709 CEDAR SPRING *Michelle Kidd 894-1253* ..... MLS #95795 ..... **$129,000**
3914 ANETTA DR *Pam Messer 349-3075* ..... MLS #96923 ..... **$109,000**
3810 TRAVIS *Ashley St. John 352-6254* ..... MLS #98168 ..... **$105,000**

4209 HARLOWE DR *Mona Lopez 967-8602* ..... MLS #95335 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3304 TRAVIS AVE *Susan Palmer 978-7816* ..... MLS #97808 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
1603 W. WASHINGTON AVE *Ruth Young 682-7884* ..... MLS #94729 ..... **$79,000**

HOMES IN MIDLAND COUNTY

4303 N. CD. RD. 1284 *Leah Watkins 599-2187* ..... MLS #95058 ..... **480/$985,000**
6516 GLADIOLA *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #95989 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
1312 E. CD. RD. 128 *Melissa Williams 349-2812* ..... MLS #95536 ..... **480/$539,000**
3709 N. CD. RD. 1140 *Jose Rendon 689-8394* ..... MLS #98070 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
3905 CARDINAL LANE *Caleb Matott 349-3330* ..... MLS #97280 ..... **3+ Acres/$499,999**
10508 E. CD. RD. 103 *Tracy Farrow 413-4412* ..... MLS #95069 ..... **480/$488,000**
6605 W. CD. RD. 170, BARNDOMINIUM *Caleb Matott 349-3330* ..... MLS #95103 ..... **200 Acres/$480,000**
6000 FM 715 *Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819* ..... MLS #96956 ..... **3BD/$439,000**
3322 W COUNTY RD. 105 *Brian Sales 618-1818* ..... MLS #97471 ..... **$399,900**
5508 S CD. RD. 1200 *Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819* ..... MLS #96080 ..... **480/$399,900**

405 E. CD. RD. 127 *Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819* ..... MLS #98749 ..... **$396,000**
2501 W. CD. RD. 130 *Jennifer Martin 349-2632* ..... MLS #96114 ..... **3BD/$375,000**
1207 N. CD. RD. 1084 *Tracy Farrow 413-4412* ..... MLS #95433 ..... **480/$359,500**
206 E. CD. RD. 127-ROPING ARENA *Caleb Matott 349-3330* ..... MLS #95768 ..... **7.97 Acres/$325,000**
2800 S. CD. RD. 1066 *Angie McKay 599-0272* ..... MLS #97573 ..... **480/$325,000**
2501 W. CD. RD. 130 *Jennifer Martin 349-2632* ..... MLS #96114 ..... **3BD/$325,000**
4200 N. CD. RD. 1130, GREENWOOD *Caleb Matott 349-3330* ..... MLS #96528 ..... **1.5 Acres/$305,000**
1705 E. CD. RD. 128 *Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819* ..... MLS #98084 ..... **$299,000**
3900 S. CD. RD. 1187 *Josie Alvarez 296-1395* ..... MLS #95547 ..... **3BD/$259,900**
1401 E. CD. RD. 145 *Angie McKay 599-0272* ..... MLS #98044 ..... **$225,000**

607 E. CD. RD. 132 *Clemmie Sorge 618-5019* ..... MLS #95355 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
4100 N. CD. RD. 1133 *Tracy Farrow 413-4412* ..... MLS #95169 ..... ***SOLD***
7212 N. CD. RD. 1298 *Mona Lopez 967-8602* ..... MLS #95021 ..... **480/$235,000**
10701 E. CD. RD. 1067 *Stacy Gonzalez 413-7061* ..... MLS #98017 ..... **480/$199,900**
3213 S. CD. RD. 1066 *DeLaura Gammage 268-3880* ..... MLS #96612 ..... **3BD/$160,000**
14905 E. CD. RD. 104 *Michelle Kidd 894-1253* ..... MLS #94981 ..... **3BD/$159,900**
2811 W. CD. RD. 116 *Mark Phillober 222-5071* ..... MLS #93fb6 ..... **480/$122,500**
5001 S. CD. RD. 1137 *Lisa Jansa 661-3389* ..... MLS #97679 ..... **$120,000**
2906 S. CD. RD. 1229 *Mona Lopez 967-8602* ..... MLS #94391 ..... **3BD/$129,000**

HOMES OUTSIDE OF MIDLAND COUNTY

12278 W. HIGHWAY 158, GARDENDALE *Caleb Matott 349-3330* MLS #94739 **3BD/16+ Acres/$1,100,000**
29 LA PROMESA CIRCLE *Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819* ..... MLS #97894 ..... **5BD/$985,000**
10 WOODHAVEN DR., ODESSA *Donna Omar 349-1458* ..... MLS #94737 ..... **5BD/$497,500**
4456 SE 1000, ANDREWS *Caleb Matott 349-3330* ..... MLS #97578 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
105 OASIS, HORSESHOE BAY *Peggy Spence 664-3011* ..... MLS #123919 ..... **4BD/$599,900**
10121 HORSESHOE DR., GARDENDALE *Caleb Matott 349-3330* ..... MLS #97931 ..... **1+ Acres/$349,900**
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607 E. CD. RD. 132 *Clemmie Sorge 618-5019* ..... MLS #95355 ..... **3BD/$267,900**
3008 SAN PEDRO- ODESSA *Maria Mallory 352-4021* ..... MLS #90804 ..... **4BD/$263,000**
ESTATES OF SHILOH, LOT 3 *Ruth Young 352-0996* ..... MLS #97772 ..... **$250,000**
500 W. 3RD ST., STANTON *Michelle Kidd 894-1253* ..... MLS #94551 ..... **4BD/$248,000**
2625 MERCEDES HOUSE *Ashley St. John 352-6254* ..... MLS #97748 ..... **3BD/$229,900**
1129 GOLF COURSE, ANDREWS *Lisa Jansa 661-3389* ..... MLS #97961 ..... **4BD/$225,000**

302 9TH ST., IRAAN *Pam Messer 349-3075* ..... MLS #92308 ..... **5BD/$179,000**
7244 MANFORD LANE, ODESSA *Kay Rivers 934-5995* ..... MLS #98198 ..... **3BD/$175,000**
9600 HAWTHORNE CT, ODESSA *Laura Sales 618-1818* ..... MLS #91563 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
2875 SE CD. RD. 5501, ANDREWS *Cynthia Blocker 266-1448* ..... MLS #89268 ..... **3BD/$169,900**
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2906 REDBUD, ODESSA *Karen Foster 559-4086* ..... MLS #97905 ..... **3BD/$159,900**
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1120 KATHERINE, CRANE *Kim Merrill 664-4702* ..... MLS #97616 ..... **3BD/$155,000**
900 NE 2ND, ANDREWS *Cynthia Blocker 266-1448* ..... MLS #90382 ..... **3BD/$140,000**
1211 NW 4TH ST., ANDREWS *Cynthia Blocker 266-1448* ..... MLS #89898 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
708 COLLIE WAY, ANDREWS *Cynthia Blocker 266-1448* ..... MLS #89681 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
109 GRAY ST., STANTON *Michelle Kidd 894-1253* ..... MLS #94344 ..... **3BD/$132,000**

608 E. BROADWAY, ANDREWS *Cynthia Blocker 266-1448* ..... MLS#79313 ..... **$95,000**
310 ST. PETER, STANTON *Michelle Kidd 894-1253* ..... MLS #89966 ..... **$95,000**
503 E. BROADWAY, ANDREWS *Cynthia Blocker 266-1448* ..... MLS #89899 ..... **$75,000**
2825 MERCEDES *Ashley St. John 352-6254* ..... MLS #97750 ..... **$60,000**

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL

W. CD. RD. 116 *Caleb Matott 349-3330* ..... **12.54 Acres/$4,000,000**
1501 N. FAIRGROUNDS RD *Caleb Matott 349-3330* ..... MLS #95778 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
12278 HIGHWAY 158, GARDENDALE *Caleb Matott 349-3330* MLS #94739 **16+ Acres/$1,100,000**
10313 S. CD. RD. 1210 *Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819* ..... MLS #96680 ..... **$695,000**
1002 S. MARIENFELD *Jose Rendon 689-8394* ..... MLS #97538 ..... **$500,000**

107 CLARK ST *Ruth Young 352-0996* ..... MLS #95196 ..... **$425,000**
1915 S. CD. RD. 1083 *Mark Phillober 222-5071* ..... MLS #97604 **4.68 Acres/$375,000**
9605 CD. RD. 307 *Sue Lytle 661-5338* ..... MLS #96951 **26.33 Acres/$350,000**
4207 S. CD. RD. 1135 *Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819* ..... MLS #96679 ..... **$250,000**
110 E. CD. RD. 114 *Virginia Elizondo 349-7782* ..... MLS #97579 ..... **$150,000**

600 E. BROADWAY, ANDREWS *Cynthia Blocker 266-1448* ..... MLS#79313 ..... **$95,000**
310 ST. PETER, STANTON *Michelle Kidd 894-1253* ..... MLS #89966 ..... **$95,000**
503 E. BROADWAY, ANDREWS *Cynthia Blocker 266-1448* ..... MLS #89899 ..... **$75,000**
2825 MERCEDES *Ashley St. John 352-6254* ..... MLS #97750 ..... **$60,000**

LANDS AND LOTS

W. CD. RD. 116 *Caleb Matott 349-3330* ..... **12.54 Acres/$4,000,000**
CD. RD. 1068 & CD. RD. 1065 *Caleb Matott 349-3330* ..... MLS #97407 ..... **SUPERB Land; WIII Split, 640 Acres/$2,560,000**
3021 E. I-20 *Danny Norwood 618-5012* ..... MLS #96595 **31.74 Acres/$2,500,000**
CD. RD. 1065 *Caleb Matott 349-3330* ..... MLS #97403 ..... **CLEAN Land, WIII Split, 585+ Acres/$2,340,000**
CD. RD. 160 *Caleb Matott 349-3330* ..... MLS #97408 ..... **IDEAL Land, 582.26 Acres/$2,908,000**
CD. RD. 1110 *Clemmie Sorge 553-9136* ..... MLS #96969 **261.945 Acres/$1,435,500**
CD. RD. 160 & CD. RD. 1065 *Caleb Matott 349-3330* ..... MLS #97406 ..... **SUPERB Land/320 Acres/$1,280,000**
S. CD. RD. 1050, GREENWOOD *Caleb Matott 349-3330* ..... **96.85 Acres/$650,000**
CD. RD. 3100, STANTON *Michelle Kidd 894-1253* ..... MLS #94070 ..... **185 Acres/$925,000**
3291 CYNTHIA DR *Josie Rendon 689-8394* ..... MLS #97539 ..... **11.4 Acres/$630,000**
6605 W. CD. RD. 170 *Caleb Matott 349-3330* ..... MLS #95349 ..... **200 Acres/$480,000**

SINCLAIR *Ruth Young 682-7884* ..... **5 Acres/$425,000**
5401 E. CD. RD. 126 *Mark Phillober 222-5071* ..... MLS #95128 ..... **31.22 Acres/$375,000**
E. HWY. 158 *Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819* ..... MLS #96101 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
9605 CD. RD. 307 *Sue Lytle 661-5338* ..... MLS #96951 **26.33 Acres/$350,000**
3700 W. CD. RD. 145 *Danny Norwood 618-5012* MLS #96344 **10 Acres + a building/$325,000**
5003 N. MIDLAND DR *Ruth Young 352-0996* ..... MLS #94528 **3.95 Acres/$299,900**
N. CD. RD. 1150/ELKINS RD *Caleb Matott 349-3330* ..... MLS #95384 ..... ***SALE PENDING***
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THE CUSTOM FACTOR

Midlander uses oil field techniques to customize firearms

By James Durbin
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"You go to the range and every gun looks the same. It's nice to have something that is completely your own."

— Jamie Ehl, owner of Metal EFX

Jamie Ehl is changing the way people look at guns by taking downhole oil field technology and putting it downrange.

Ehl, owner of Metal EFX in Midland, got his feet wet in the oil field by nickel plating centrifugal pumps and tooling to protect against corrosion. A lifelong gun enthusiast, he made the jump to firearm coating a little more than a year ago when he disassembled his own AR-15 rifle and nickel plated the bolt carrier group.

"What's the worst that could happen?" asked Ehl, recounting the experience. He said he only had a few hundred dollars to lose in the gamble. He lost nothing in the experience and instead gained a second business.

"The bolt was easier to clean because carbon doesn't stick to it," he said. "It ran cooler, it had a higher lubricity, and at that point we realized we had something marketable."

In addition to the boost in performance, the nickel plating process completely changes the appearance of a treated part. A dull, rough finish is transformed into a clear, bright finish. When polished to a shine, the exterior is almost mirror-like.

Ehl began to nickel plate handgun slides, frames and small appearance parts, but soon customers began to ask about other colors.

"We looked around and Cerakote was the answer," said Ehl. "It was an easy transition for us."

Cerakote offers a rugged and durable finish that can be applied in any color or design a customer can think of. When it comes to custom Cerakote designs the sky is the limit, and Ehl's customers are pushing the limits every day.

"It's about having something unique," said Ehl. "The custom factor is the appeal."

With around 45 guns waiting to be worked on and a six-to-eight week backlog, there is no shortage of interested customers, many of whom are breaking the stereotype of a male-dominated gun hobby.

"We get a lot of women coming in wanting custom guns," said Ehl. "We did a Barbie AR-15 — a complete, functioning gun in Barbie colors."

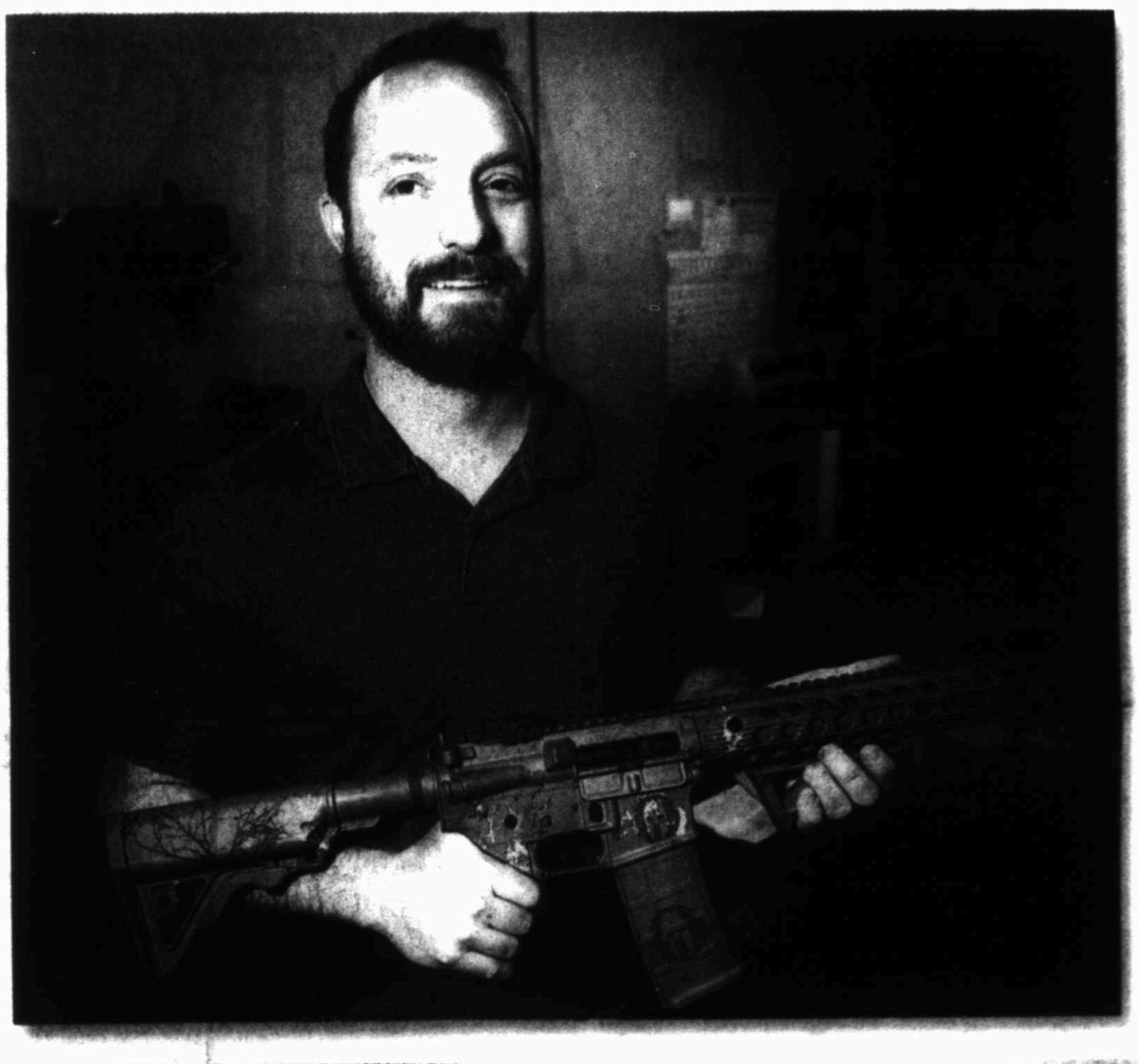
No idea is too far-fetched, from a Luis Vuitton-patterned pistol slide to a Tiffany blue frame or a desert camo rifle stock, it can be done.

"Our Virus pattern has been a huge hit for us," said Ehl, referring to a multicolor transitioning pattern of hexagons he invented.

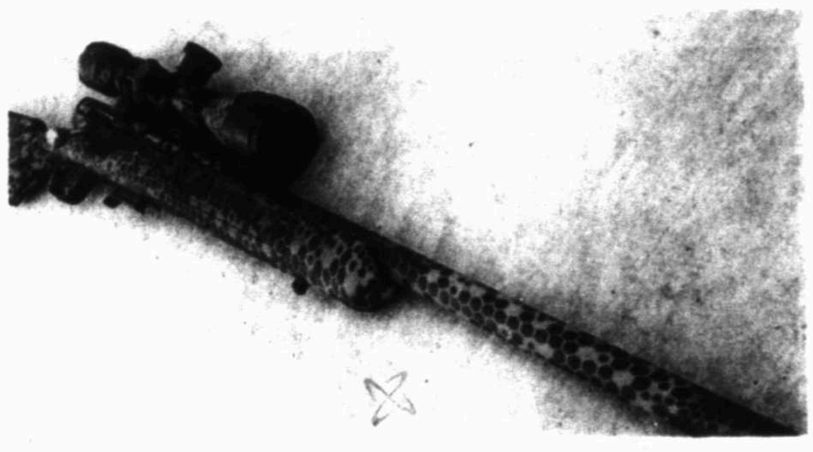
"You go to the range and every gun looks the same, it's nice to have something that is completely your own," he said.

In addition to gun coatings, Metal EFX also offers basic gunsmithing and is registered as a Class 3 FFL dealer, so the staff can help an individual go through the steps to obtain short-barreled rifles, short-barreled shotguns and suppressers.

"We want people to know there is a local company doing this," said Ehl. "We are oil field and we are Midland, we do guns because we enjoy it."









Jamie Ehl, owner of Metal EFX, holds a .458 SOCOM short-barreled AR-15 rifle sporting a custom breakup green Cerakote finish in his shop Wednesday. Ehl adapts oil field nickel-plating technology to create custom finishes for firearms.

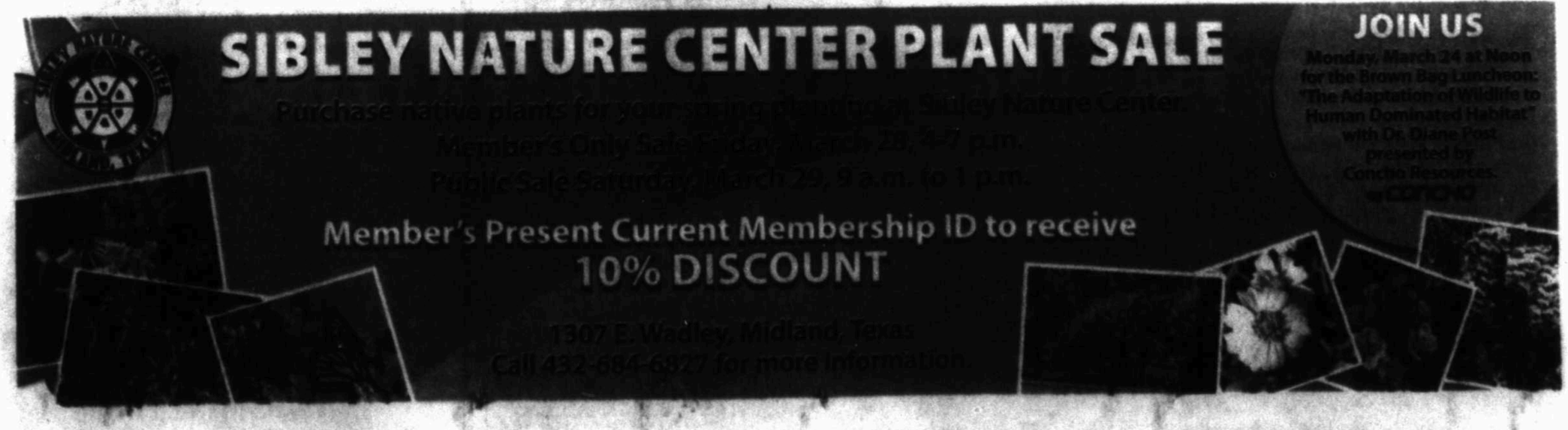
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ABOVE LEFT
AR-15 rifle with custom Virus Cerakote pattern by Metal EFX.

ABOVE
Bolt-action precision rifle featuring a custom Virus Cerakote pattern by Metal EFX.

LEFT
Custom Louis Vuitton-style Cerakote finish on a Springfield XD-45 pistol by Metal EFX.

Photos courtesy of Metal EFX





RIGHT
First-graders perform "Green Eggs and Ham" during MCT's Spring Break Fine Arts Camp on March 14 at MCT.

BELOW RIGHT
First- through sixth-graders perform during the camp.

BELOW LEFT
Third-graders perform "The Star Belly Sneetches" during camp.

BOTTOM LEFT
First- through sixth-graders perform.

Photos by James Durbin

MCT SPRING BREAK FINE ARTS CAMP











LEFT
Fourth-graders perform "Horton Hears a Who" during camp.

ABOVE
Fifth- and sixth-graders perform "The Lorax."

Midland Kiwanis Club sponsors programs, hosts speakers

Michael Price, the new executive director of the I-20 Wildlife Preserve, will present a program at 11:30 a.m. Monday to the Midland Downtown Kiwanis Club at the Doubletree by the Midland Hilton. Price has recently taken over the leadership of the Wildlife Preserve Project and will bring an update as to where this project stands and what the future holds.

The Midland Kiwanis Club was chartered in 1946 and upholds the dedication of its many members in serving the children of Midland. Kiwanis is an international organization with an adult membership of more than 582,000. Service is at the heart of every Kiwanis club, no matter where in the world it is located.



ALEX ROSE
AARP Community Service volunteer

Bill Basham is the current president of the Midland club. Basham has recently retired from teaching physics at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

Bob Hicks, known as the "radio man" of Midland, will introduce the speaker. His dedication to the Kiwanis organization has gained him perfect attendance in several clubs he has belonged to.

The BUG (Bring Up Your Grades) program was started in Midland where several schools were selected to participate. At the end of the year those who participated received a trip to the Sibley Nature Center and a pizza lunch.

The Midland Club has helped build parks in Midland, provided medical expenses for underprivileged children, contributed to the Council for Retarded Children and the Cerebral Palsy Center. Scholarships for high school students are also awarded. Little League Baseball teams, YMCA, Salvation Army and Boys & Girls Club have benefited from the generosity of the members of the Midland Kiwanis Club.

This group of sincere adults meets every Monday at the Doubletree where they share a meal, keep up-to-date on the latest happenings in Midland, provide interesting speakers and decide on service projects for the coming year. Many businesses are proud to know that one or more of their employees belong to the Kiwanis Club.



This 2012 photo shows Better Homes & Gardens senior editor, Amy Panos, in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. Like many housekeeping tasks, regular cleaning can help avoid bigger cleanup work later on. "It doesn't have to be as difficult of a job as it sounds," said Panos. "The easier you can make it on yourself, the more likely you are to do it."

Kate Mathis/AP

Tips for keeping walls, woodwork clean

By Lisa Flam
Associated Press

Walls can get dirty before you know it — from a splatter of spaghetti dinner to the crayon artistry of a roaming toddler to fingers simply reaching for a light switch.

It's easy to pass by walls and woodwork every day without a second glance, but spring-cleaning season is a great time to give them the attention they deserve.

Like many housekeeping tasks, regular cleaning can help avoid bigger cleanup work later on.

"It doesn't have to be as difficult of a job as it sounds," said Amy Panos, senior editor at Better Homes and Gardens. "The easier you can make it on yourself, the more likely you are to do it."

DIRT AND SCUFFS

Walls tend to get dirtiest around light switches and door knobs.

"Even if a hand looks clean, it still has a little dirt and oils that over time build up and eventually make that area of the wall dirty," Panos said.

Walls also get marked up from accidental kicks or the brush of a bag near the baseboards. Parents know how toddlers' hands often find their way to walls, either with filthy fingers or with crayons or markers.

These fingerprints and other blemishes are best tackled right away. "The sooner you can get to a mark that is noticeable, the easier it will be" to clean, said Sharon Grech, a color and design expert for Benjamin Moore.

People are wary of cleaning or washing painted surfaces because they fear the process will remove the paint. But Grech said the technology has improved over the last decade, and paints now are more stain-resistant and durable for cleaning.

Still, it's important to use the right products.

To remove everyday marks, Grech suggested using a clean cellulose sponge with a little warm water.

"Just give it a good rub," she said. "Wait for it to dry and see if it's clean."

If the dirt is still evident, repeat the process using a dab of dish detergent and wipe the area dry with a clean sponge, rag or paper towel.

"Warm water does miracles with a sponge," Grech said. "You want to avoid using regular household cleaners that have ammonia and other products in them" because they can change the sheen of the paint.

Panos likes the ease of a foam eraser pad, such as Mr. Clean Magic Eraser, though be sure to test it first in an inconspicuous area to make sure it won't remove the color or finish. Mr. Clean Magic Eraser is approved by the manufacturer for use on most paints, including flat and semi-gloss paint.

"They're quite incredible," Panos said. "They take care of a lot."

Don't forget doorways and trim, often coated in easy-to-wipe paints but in light colors such as white and cream that make marks especially visible. Cleaning those areas can instantly make the room seem brighter.

"It really glistens," Grech said. "It's like putting on a nice lip gloss."

DUST AND COBWEBS

While most people know to take care of an unsightly mark, many overlook cleaning the whole wall, Panos said. Once you have a fresh coat of paint, lightly dust the walls about every three months.

"You don't need to get a bucket and soap and sponge and completely wash down the walls," she said. "Make it easy on yourself by getting a tool with an extension pole so that you can stand on the ground and take care of the job in just a few minutes rather than having to drag out a ladder."

Clean the ceiling first, with a dust-attracting microfiber mop on the extension pole for smooth ceilings, or a slightly damp paint roller on the pole for a popcorn ceiling, she said. The walls can be cleaned from top to bottom with the mop (dry or slightly damp), and the baseboards hand-cleaned with a microfiber cloth.

"Keeping the environment as dust-free as possible is helpful for a good interior air quality," Panos said.

Grech recommends regular cleaning where dusts collects, such as on baseboards, and on window ledges, where it can mix with moisture and turn into a mess.

While cleaning the walls won't prolong the paint job, she said, it will help keep them looking their best.

"You want to clean the areas that are getting a little bit more abused to keep it fresh," she said.

MARIE ALMOND

Centers for Children and Families



Forgiveness is crucial in marriage

Forgiving and letting go of past hurts are critical tools for a marriage relationship. And being able to forgive is a way to keep yourself emotionally and physically healthy. Forgiveness is a big challenge for anyone. Often it elicits an immediate response such as: "Are you kidding?" or "Never" or "Not after what he has done to me" or even "I wish I could."

We each have a set of preconceived ideas of what forgiveness means, accompanied by feelings that help to keep these ideas anchored in place. Your concept of forgiveness can either hinder you and limit your capacity for clarity, or it can uplift you by giving you a way to release the past and be free to live happily.

Forgiveness is not condoning negative, inappropriate behavior — your own or someone else's. Forgiveness does not mean you approve or support the behavior that has caused you pain, nor does it preclude taking action to change a situation or protect your rights.

So, how does a person forgive?

1. Be open.
2. Make a decision to forgive your spouse.
3. When images of the betrayal or hurt flash in your mind, think of a calming place or do something to distract yourself from dwelling on those thoughts.
4. Don't seek revenge or retribution. It will only extend the pain.
5. Remember that forgiveness doesn't mean you condone the hurtful behavior.
6. Be patient with yourself. Being able to forgive your spouse takes time. Don't try to hurry the process.
7. If you continue to be unable to forgive or you find yourself dwelling on the betrayal or hurt, please seek professional counseling to help you let go and forgive.

How does a person ask for forgiveness?

1. Show true remorse for the pain you have caused.
2. Be willing to make a commitment not to hurt your spouse again by repeating the hurtful behavior.
3. Accept the consequences of the action that created the hurt.
4. Be open to making amends.
5. Be patient with your spouse. Being able to forgive often takes time. Don't dismiss your spouse's feelings of betrayal by telling your spouse to get over it.

Everyone makes mistakes. Everyone has grumpy days. Many people say things they do not mean now or then. Everyone needs to forgive and to be forgiven. No relationship, especially a marriage relationship, can be sustained over a long period of time without forgiveness. Even though you may find it difficult to forgive, being able to forgive is crucial in marriage.

People also need to know when enough is enough. If your spouse continues to abuse you, lie to you, etc., then it may be time to end the marriage. In these situations, forgiveness for the past hurts may take longer and that is OK.

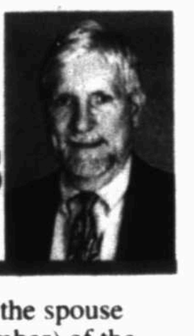
If you are having problems with forgiveness in your relationship, seek help, if not for the both of you, then for yourself.

Marie Almond has bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Texas of the Permian Basin and has been working for Centers since 2002.

Behavior changes after retirement have family worried about dad

FAMILY MATTERS

Jim May, Ph.D., is director of the Family Wellness Center



DEAR FAMILY: My father retired from (oil company) just two years ago and he's aged 20 years. Like mom said, all he wants to do now is sit in front of the TV and watch Fox News and CNN. He's all for the Fox commentators and hates the CNN commentators. She said when no one is around he curses and actually yells answers to them. This is truly strange behavior. She's started coming over to visit and play with our two children because he never wants to leave the house. When she does make him come over he's miserable, rude to everyone (including his grandsons) and wants to go home. We have agreed it's best for everyone for him to just stay home. Being rude to mom and me is one thing but griping out a 3-year-old because he's acting like a boy is another thing all together.

My father always drank moderately, but now mom said he has two to four beers every night — starting earlier and earlier. She said now most nights he just goes to sleep in his chair with the TV on and gets mad if she tries to turn it off and get him to go to bed. So she just leaves him. This is no way for my mother to spend their golden years.

My father was always a hard working and successful accountant for his company. He didn't have any hobbies and all he did was work or take great care of the yard. Now mom has had to hire someone to cut the yard just to get it done. This is very unlike him. We can't decide if he's just bored, depressed or has become an alcoholic. What should we do? — NOT SO GOLDEN

DEAR NOT SO: You should be concerned about your father's behaviors. He certainly does seem to be exhibiting some of the symptoms of depression, including anger/agitation. The research suggests depression is common among the elderly with estimates ranging from 10 percent to as high as 65 percent of the elderly population. That translates to more than 6 million seniors. There are a number of potential sources of depression such as side effects/interactions of some medications, overuse of sleeping medications, undiagnosed physical problems, genetic or family predisposition, chemical imbalance and boredom.

In any event, I would start by insisting that your father get a complete physical. At his age he definitely should be seeing a physician and having certain specific exams annually. Encourage your mother to go with him to tell the doctor what she has observed about his current behavior. I have found it is useful to have the spouse (or family member) of the elderly patient write down all of their concerns and observations and take the list to the doctor's office. You may even want to volunteer to go with your parents, I am willing to bet he will not go willingly or pleasantly.

I would strongly encourage you to take action. It will not be easy but in working with depression on a daily basis, I observe the pain it causes the patient and the family. Your father sounds as if he was fine before retirement but those who have no other interests and friends outside of their work commonly experience a void in their lives and feel stuck where they are. I believe it is especially tragic to not get help for a possible situation that has a solution. Your father's condition untreated will only get worse. There are times in one's life that it is appropriate for family members to take control and make the person go to the doctor. This is one of those times. His life can be so much better and as importantly, if not more, your mother's life can be better — her golden years could truly be golden.

Fun outings at casino become costly compulsion

DEAR ABBY

Universal Press Syndicate



DEAR ABBY: My husband and I were both married previously. We have been together for seven years.

When we first started dating, we would sometimes go to one of the casinos after dinner as a fun outing. We never spent much money and went only occasionally. Our game of choice was the slot machine.

Over the last few years, it seems as if the casino has taken over our lives. We go there to the exclusion of almost everything else and spend money we can't afford to lose. We both have the mentality that the "big win" is right around the corner.

How can we break this habit? It's causing unbearable financial and emotional stress in our marriage. I'm afraid it won't last another year. — IN OVER MY HEAD IN NEW YORK

DEAR IN OVER YOUR HEAD: In case you are not aware, there is a name for the habit you and your husband have acquired. It's "compulsive gambling," and it's an addiction in much the same way as the abuse of alcohol or drugs. Fortunately, you have finally reached a point where you have realized this "fun outing" is out of control.

Gamblers Anonymous can help you break this destructive cycle. It's a 12-step program based on the principles of Alcoholics Anonymous. Its members support one another by sharing their strength and experiences with one another. The website is www.gamblersanonymous.org.

Many people have experienced what you're going through, and this well-established organization has helped them. To locate a meeting near you, visit the website or check your telephone directory.

DEAR ABBY: My mom and stepfather are divorcing. They were married for 25 years. He was always a great father figure to me and has been a very active grandfather to my children. The reason for the divorce is his infidelity and the disrespect he has shown my mother.

We are his only family, and he wants to be involved with us as if nothing is different, even showing up at family gatherings. I want to be loyal to my mother — and I do feel he betrayed us — but I still recognize that he has also been good to me and the kids. He doesn't deserve to be cut out of our lives. How does one handle a situation like this? — SEEING THE BIG PICTURE

DEAR SEEING: Your stepdad may want to pretend that nothing is different, but something IS different. He hurt your mother so badly they will no longer be married.

If you want to be loyal to your mother and still have a relationship with him, then you need to have a talk with him. Explain that because he is no longer married to your mother, he will no longer be invited to family gatherings where your mother will be present. Be sure to tell him you regard him with affection, but will be seeing him separately for the foreseeable future.

WEDDINGS



Frederick-Riggs

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Frederick, Jr. of Midland, Texas are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Hailee Michelle, to Zane McKenzie Riggs, also of Midland. Zane is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mel Riggs of Midland, Texas.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Frederick, Sr. of Dallas, Texas and the late Ray Carpenter and the late Dorothy Carpenter.

Hailee graduated from Midland Christian High School in 2008. She received a degree in Human Sciences from Texas Tech University in 2012. She was a member of Sigma Phi Lambda Christian Sorority. Hailee is currently employed with Mission Energy in Midland.

The future bridegroom is the grandson of Gene and Wynona Riggs, Lou Ann McKenzie, and the late Gregg McKenzie of Fort Stockton, Texas and William and Dora Wohlfeld of Midland.

Zane graduated from Trinity High School in 2008. He received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Management from Texas Tech University in 2012. He is currently employed with Clayton Williams Energy.



Smith 50th Anniversary

Glen and Paula Smith celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on March 22, 2014 at Kessler's Hall in Midland, Tx with family and friends. The Smith's were married on March 20, 1964 at The First United Pentecostal Church in Midland, Tx. Their vows were renewed at Kessler's by Rev. Johnny Grissom.

The Smith's are life long residents of the Permian Basin but retired in 2012 and moved to Lake Tawakoni. The Smith's were blessed with 4 children, 6 grandchildren, and "so far" 7 great grandchildren.

To submit engagement, wedding, anniversary or quinceneara announcements:
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AP Photo

This image released by The Theatre Development Fund shows the cast of "Disney Junior Live On Tour! Pirate & Princess Adventure." The Theatre Development Fund, a nonprofit that provides access to live theater, will offer an autism-friendly performance of "Disney Junior Live On Tour! Pirate & Princess Adventure" on April 19 at the Theater at Madison Square Garden.

Autism-friendly NYC show offered for younger kids

By Mark Kennedy
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Families of young autistic children have a new place to engage their sons and daughters — a live Disney show.

The Theatre Development Fund, a nonprofit that provides access to live theater, will partner with Feld Entertainment, Inc. to offer an autism-friendly performance of "Disney Junior Live On Tour! Pirate & Princess Adventure" on April 19 at the Theater at Madison Square Garden.

The Fund has previously helped create autism-friendly showings of "The Lion King," "Spider-Man: Turn Off the Dark" and "Wicked." The new April show is the first time the target audience is younger and comes during Autism Awareness month.

The Fund bought all the tickets to the show and will offer them at a discount for young children and adults on the autism spectrum. The venue holds more than 5,000 seats but only 2,000 will be made available so patrons have welcoming space. Tickets range from $32 to $69.

The show will be slightly altered to make those with autism more comfortable, including cutting jarring sounds and strobe lights. Quiet areas with beanbag chairs and coloring books, staffed by autism experts, also will be created inside the theater.



Elizabeth Morrow poses on her specially designed Yoga by Numbers mat March 7 in Bow, N.H. The mat gives true yoga beginners a step-by-step roadmap to learn poses at their own pace.

Jim Cole/AP

Yoga by Numbers works to bring poses to the people

By Rik Stevens
Associated Press

BOW, N.H. — Combine Twister, paint-by-numbers and the ancient Hindu practice of breath control, meditation and poses, and you get Yoga by Numbers.

The approach — complete with a numbered mat — was designed by a Boston woman whose own health scare inspired her to put yoga in reach for people with physical limitations, tight schedules or other roadblocks to traditional practice.

The oversized yoga mat is dotted with big, numbered circles that look like the target in a rifle scope. The accompanying DVD gives true yoga beginners — those who wouldn't know an up-dog from a Chihuahua — a step-by-step roadmap to learn the poses at their own pace.

Elizabeth Morrow was an athlete, a skier and soccer player who, two years ago, found herself hospitalized with a right lung full of blood clots, the lower lobe completely collapsed. When she was strong enough to start exercising again, she found even the easiest of yoga classes too taxing. She didn't have the stamina for an hour, couldn't hold the poses the way the instructor wanted.

So, the 32-year-old started thinking of ways to make it easier, more convenient and even more fundamental than the myriad DVDs already on the market.

"I was thinking about a paint-by-number kit where you don't need to be Picasso or van Gogh, you just follow what they tell you and you'll come out with something," she said. "I just wanted something that felt really accessible and doable for people. The image of the mat just popped into my head: 'Wow, I can do yoga by numbers as well.'"

The DVD tells users exactly which circle to put their hands and feet in and allows for advancement to more challenging poses.

Yoga by Numbers has been compared to Twister, the popular game with giant colored circles, spinning wheel and crazy, cross-limbed poses. But Morrow's cool with that, even when it comes from critics.

"I think it's awesome when they have that reaction because to me, that means they get it and they know how to use it," said Morrow, a certified yoga instructor.

Morrow has sold to people who live far from a yoga studio, those with tight schedules who need to squeeze in practice whenever they can, and people with health conditions. The National Institutes of Health's National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine reports that recent studies of people with chronic low-back pain suggest yoga can help reduce pain and improve function. Other research shows regular practice might reduce heart rate, blood pressure and stress and may help relieve anxiety and depression.

"People who are older are using it because the DVD really focuses you on not contorting yourself into Cirque du Soleil-style acrobatics," Morrow said. She demonstrated the mat recently at her parent's house in Bow, N.H., about an hour north of Boston.

The latest "Yoga in America" study, released by Yoga Journal, reported 20.4 million Americans practiced yoga in 2012, compared to 15.8 million in 2008. They spent $10.3 billion on classes and products, up from $5.7 billion in an earlier survey.

Janet Lark teaches yoga in Ogden, Iowa, and had a bad experience with a poorly cut, astringent-smelling mat, so she started doing some research. She came upon Morrow's mat and was struck by how simple it was for novices.

"It truly was a 'Duh! Why didn't anyone think of that sooner?' moment," she said. "It is fantastic to notice how quickly the clients start to focus on making sure they are properly aligned."

Morrow, who worked in the nonprofit sector for several years, also hears from purists who pooh-pooh the mats as a gimmick.

"My response is that this is not a mandate," she said. "I think that if you're already practicing yoga and it works for you, that's great and I'm really excited for you. I'm interested in hearing from people for whom the system doesn't work."

A spokeswoman for the nonprofit Yoga Alliance, which represents teachers, schools and studios, said the ideal situation is to learn from a master teacher in private classes, but time and cost can be barriers.

"Any tool that helps people practice yoga is a good thing," said Katie Desmond. "And so we applaud Elizabeth's ingenuity in spreading the power of yoga by helping to make the process of learning yoga as a beginner more accessible."

Morrow patented the idea and sells the mats, made in the U.S. from sustainable rubber, for $119.95 including DVD and carry strap. She started selling on The Grommet, a website that launches undiscovered products, then had a successful, online crowd-sourced campaign to raise more start-up funds.

She also registered the business as a benefit corporation in Massachusetts, which means she can write into the bylaws that the company's social mission takes precedence over the bottom line for shareholders.

Up next: She wants to focus on reaching kids, especially those at risk, and hopes to partner with social service providers. If she makes money along the way, all the better.

"I think politicians sort of create this false dichotomy where you either have to be pro-business or pro-social program and that you can't do both," she said. "A lot of corporations want to put out the message that it's just not profitable and that is just not true."



Matthew Mead/AP

Simple roasted chicken with fresh herb sauce is seen March 3 in Concord, N.H.

A healthy roast bird to help welcome spring

By Sara Moulton
Associated Press

Our spring feasts — often centered around Passover and Easter — typically call for a center-of-the-plate star such as brisket or lamb. Of course they're delicious, but both can seriously ramp up the fat and calories in a meal that tends to put the groan into groaning board even before the main course is served.

So how about roasted chicken instead? Wait a minute, you say. If you eat the bird with its skin on, you might as well be eating lamb. And yet there's no way to cook a chicken properly without the skin.

Looks like a problem, but here's a solution: roast the chicken with the skin on, then remove the skin after the chicken is cooked. And, if you roast the chicken my no-fuss way, you'll find yourself with ample time to devote to the rest of the meal.

I learned the best way to roast a chicken during my restaurant days. Every evening just before service began, the whole staff would sit down for "family meal." If chicken was on the menu, we'd simply throw several 3 1/2-pounders into the oven — which was always cranked to 500F — and blast away.

Given that we were cooking only for ourselves, there was nothing fancy about how we prepped those birds. Everything we'd learned in cooking school about the need to truss, turn and baste a roasting chicken turned out to be unnecessary. All we did was sprinkle them with salt and pepper, rub them with a little oil, and roast them at high heat.

Forty minutes later they were done. We let them rest for 15 minutes, then carved them and moistened the pieces with the juices that had pooled on the platter. It was almost too simple — and it certainly was not traditional — but the result was delicious.

There is, however, one serious caveat when it comes to cooking a chicken at a temperature this high: your oven must be clean. A dirty oven blazing away at 450F (which is what I call for here) will smoke up the whole house. Also, be sure to place the bird in a heavy roasting pan with sides so the chicken juices don't splatter over the sides and burn on the bottom of the oven.

Finally, the resting time is key. After you pull the bird out of the oven, its juices need time to redistribute. If you don't let it rest, but carve it right away, all the juices will come streaming out and you'll end up with dry meat. Happily, some of those juices pool on the platter during the resting period anyway, and they add a ton of flavor to the sauce.

And these chickens — minus their skin — cry out for a sauce. For that, I took my inspiration from the Italians and their bistecca alla Fiorentina, which is grilled steak finished with extra-virgin olive oil and a squeeze of lemon. I added some fresh herbs and those juices from the bottom of the platter and — Glory be! — The Husband just about forgot to complain about the lack of skin. It was a small but welcome miracle in a season of miracles.

SIMPLE ROAST CHICKEN WITH FRESH HERB SAUCE
Start to finish: 1 hour 30 minutes (20 minutes active)
Servings: 8

Two 3 1/2-pound chickens, trimmed of excess fat
Olive oil cooking spray
Salt and ground black pepper
1/4 cup fresh lemon juice
1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil
1 tablespoon chopped fresh thyme
1 tablespoon chopped fresh oregano

Heat the oven to 450 F.

Spray the chickens all over with the cooking spray, then season them with salt and pepper. In a large roasting pan, place the chickens, breast side up, side by side. Roast, uncovered, until a meat thermometer inserted into the leg-thigh joint registers 165 F, about 55 minutes.

While the chickens are roasting, in a small bowl whisk the lemon juice with salt and pepper to taste, whisking until the salt is dissolved. Whisk in the olive oil, thyme, and oregano, then set aside.

When the chickens are done, transfer them to a large platter and cover them loosely with foil. Let them rest for 15 minutes. Meanwhile, pour any drippings from the roasting pan into a fat separator. Add the chicken juices from the fat separator to the herb mixture and discard the fat.

After the chicken has rested, remove and discard the skin and cut up the chicken. Whisk the juices from the platter into the herb mixture. Divide the chicken between serving plates and spoon some of the herb mixture over each portion of chicken.

Nutrition information per serving: 290 calories; 120 calories from fat (41 percent of total calories); 13 g fat (2.5 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 135 mg cholesterol; 1 g carbohydrate; 0 g fiber; 0 g sugar; 41 g protein; 390 mg sodium.

HINTS FROM HELOISE

King Features Syndicate

Scrubbing apple with hands or brush will remove wax

Dear Heloise: Every morning, I enjoy reading your hints in the Tyler Morning Telegraph. I have a question about how to wash my apples. The skin has a waxy feel on the outside. Someone told me to just peel them, but that takes time and is messy. I sure would like to have a good, clean apple! — Carolyn S. in Texas

You can get one very easily while preserving the skin, which contains fiber and some nutrients. You can run it under water, rubbing with your hands or a paper towel, or use a vegetable brush. The Food and Drug Administration does not recommend using any detergents or soaps.

Did you know apples make their own natural wax coating? Most of that natural wax is removed when the apples are harvested and washed. An approved (safe to eat) wax is then applied before apples are sold. This wax keeps moisture in and prolongs the shelf life. But mainly, most people just prefer the look of a nice, shiny apple! — Heloise

MAYO VS. DRESSING

Dear Readers: At Heloise Central, we were talking about mayonnaise and salad dressing spread, and we started wondering if they are the same, but if not, what is the difference? Here is what we found:

They are similar, but not the same thing. Mayonnaise is thicker and is made of oil, egg and vinegar. To be labeled as "mayonnaise," it must have at least 65 percent oil by weight.

Salad dressing spread is not as thick, is made with less oil and has added spices (such as paprika), which makes it sweeter-tasting.

What you prefer often comes down to which was used in the household when you were growing up. — Heloise

MICROWAVE MAGIC

Dear Heloise: Sometimes microwaving stale baked goods can make them seem fresher. If a roll or breakfast pastry is old, wrap it in a damp paper towel (one that has been thoroughly wet and then wrung dry). Microwave at the lowest setting for about 10 seconds. The end result is amazingly like fresh. — Susan J. in Virginia

EGG SUBSTITUTE

Dear Heloise: We have a lot of recipes we want to try that call for "egg substitute." Since we never buy that, we are wondering if you could tell us how much one raw egg would equal if you are using an egg substitute. — R.I.H., via email

Very good question, and many people are using egg substitute to watch cholesterol intake and calories. So, here is the conversion chart:

One large egg equals 1/4 cup of egg substitute.
Two large eggs equal 1/2 cup
Four large eggs equal a cup
— Heloise

OPEN BOTH ENDS

Dear Heloise: When I open a can of tomato paste, refried beans or any other thick and pasty item, I open both ends, then remove the bottom and push the contents through from the top down. This is a no-mess way to get all of the contents out. — Carol T. in California

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Lowell, Mass., offers up taste of Little Cambodia

By J.M. Hirsch
Associated Press

LOWELL, Mass. — Consider yourself warned: You're going to need your GPS for this meal. And a short history lesson. But it will be worth it.

Tucked along the Merrimack River about 30 miles north of Boston is a former mill town that most people would be inclined to cruise right past on their way to tax-free shopping in New Hampshire. Though it once was the industrial hub of the United States, Lowell has been in decline for decades. And it shows.

In its heyday, Lowell was home mostly to French Canadian and Irish immigrants, all coming to work in the mills. The mills are long gone, but the gorgeous brick buildings that once housed them along the river remain. In fact, the former Boott Cotton Mills have been converted into a museum run by the National Park Service, and it's well worth a visit.

By the middle of the last century, the Canadians and Irish in Lowell were joined by Hispanics, and the flavor of the city got a lot more exciting. But the most interesting change came during the '70s and '80s, when wave upon wave of Cambodians came. In fact, Lowell now is home to one of the largest populations of Cambodians outside Cambodia.

A few years ago the city recognized the asset this presented and began promoting what it dubbed "Little Cambodia," a warren of streets a bit outside the downtown where numerous East Asian businesses had been established. Little Cambodia remains a work in progress, but for a taste of something deliciously different, it's worth finding.

Which may not be easy. Lowell itself is easy to find. But Little Cambodia is nestled into a snarl of traffic and winding way-too-narrow lanes mostly clustered around Middlesex and Branch streets. Cue the GPS.

Sadly, much of the neighborhood isn't yet pedestrian-friendly. So start your visit at New Phnom Penh, an Asian grocer (with ample parking) at 37 Branch St. It's huge and — another warning — a bit of a sensory overload. But take the time to explore the aisles; it's easy to be amazed by how much food you may not recognize. Be daring and bring home something you have no idea how to eat.

Next, walk across the street to the simply named Dessert Shop and Bakery at 32 Branch St. Oddly, it seems to sell no desserts or baked goods, or at least it didn't when I visited. But it doesn't matter. Head right for the counter where there are piles of deli containers with Cambodian lunch items. Among them, you'll find the beef jerky the owner makes herself.

This isn't your typical beef jerky. It is paper thin and looks as if it was run through a shredder. It is pleasantly spicy and chewy, and totally addictive.

Now it's time to hop back in your car and head to Lincoln Street. It's not far, but you'll be challenged to find it without your GPS. Tucked into a small and nondescript plaza is Simply Khmer, 26 Lincoln St., considered by some to offer the best — and most authentic — Cambodian food in the city.

The decor is basic American-Asian, but the food is anything but. You will be presented with a massive menu. Ignore it. The waiter likely will advise you to avoid anything with fermented fish products. Unless you are well accustomed to these ingredients, heed that advice. Instead, ask for the beef loc lac.

Loc lac is a classic Cambodian dish of seared beef that has been marinated and cooked in a savory sauce made with (among other things) garlic, soy sauce and sugar. It then is served with a dipping sauce made mostly of lime juice and black pepper. The combination is wonderful and will leave you wondering why you haven't done this at your backyard barbecue.



Elise Amendola/AP

Kimheng Chou shows off her homemade beef jerky March 13 at the Dessert Shop and Bakery in Lowell, Mass. Lowell now is home to one of the largest populations of Cambodians outside Cambodia.

If You Go:

SIMPLY KHMER: 26 Lincoln St., No. 4, Lowell, Mass., 978-454-6700. http://www.simplykhmerrestaurant.com/index.html

NEW PHNOM PENH: 37 Branch St., Lowell, Mass.

DESSERT SHOP AND BAKERY: 32 Branch St., Lowell, Mass.

BEST SELLERS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Hardcover fiction

1. "Words of Radiance" by Brandon Sanderson (Tor)
2. "The Bootlegger" by Clive Cussler and Justin Scott (Putnam Adult)
3. "Private L.A." by James Patterson and Mark Sullivan (Little, Brown)
4. "The Chase" by Janet Evanovich and Lee Goldberg (Bantam)
5. "Concealed in Death" by J.D. Robb (Putnam Adult)
6. "The Invention of Wings" by Sue Monk Kidd (Viking Adult)
7. "The Goldfinch" by Donna Tartt (Little, Brown)
8. "Sycamore Row" by John Grisham (Doubleday)
9. "Bone Deep" by Randy Wayne White (Putnam Adult)
10. "Killer" by Jonathan Kellerman (Ballantine)
11. "Still Life with Bread Crumbs" by Anna Quindlen (Random House)
12. "The Undead Pool" by Kim Harrison (Harper Voyager)
13. "The Walking Dead" by Robert Kirkman (St. Martin's/Dunne)
14. "The First Phone Call from Heaven" by Mitch Albom (Harper)
15. "The Husband's Secret" by Liane Moriarty (Amy Einhorn Books/Putnam)

Hardcover nonfiction

1. "The Blood Sugar Solution 10-Day Detox Diet" by Mark Hyman (Little, Brown)
2. "Uganda Be Kidding Me" by Chelsea Handler (Grand Central Publishing)
3. "The Body Book" by Cameron Diaz (Harper Wave)
4. "Killing Jesus" by Bill O'Reilly, Martin Dugard (Henry Holt)
5. "Grain Brain" by David Perlmutter (Little, Brown)
6. "Things That Matter" by Charles Krauthammer (Crown Forum)
7. "I Can See Clearly Now" by Wayne W. Dyer (Hay House)
8. "The Future of the Mind" by Michio Kaku (Doubleday)
9. "A Short Guide to a Long Life" by David B. Agus (Simon & Schuster)
10. "David and Goliath" by Malcolm Gladwell (Little, Brown)
11. "The Daniel Plan" by Rick Warren (Zondervan)
12. "Duty" by Robert M. Gates (Knopf)
13. "I Am a Church Member" by Thom S. Rainer (B&H)
14. "Lean In" by Sheryl Sandberg (Knopf)
15. "Super Shred" by Ian K. Smith (St. Martin's Press)

Mass market paperbacks

1. "Alex Cross, Run" by James Patterson (Vision)
2. "Tell Me" by Lisa Jackson (Zebra)
3. "The Heist" by Janet Evanovich and Lee Goldberg (Bantam)
4. "The Hit" by David Baldacci (Grand Central Publishing)
5. "Thankless in Death" by J.D. Robb (Berkley)
6. "North to Alaska" by Debbie Macomber (Mira)
7. "The Chance" by Robyn Carr (Harlequin MIRA)
8. "The Striker" by Clive Cussler and Justin Scott (Berkley)
9. "Six Years" by Harlan Coben (Signet)
10. "The Witness" by Nora Roberts (Jove)
11. "Girl Missing" by Tess Gerritsen (Ballantine)
12. "Shawn O'Brien, Town Tamer" by William W. Johnstone (Pinnacle)
13. "One Heart to Win" by Johanna Lindsey (Pocket)
14. "Until the End of Time" by Danielle Steel (Dell)
15. "A Man's Heart" by Debbie Macomber (Mira)

Trade Paperbacks

1. "Twelve Years a Slave" by Solomon Northup (HarperPerrenial)
2. "Red Lily" by Nora Roberts (Berkley)
3. "Beautiful Day" by Elin Hilderbrand (Back Bay Books)
4. "Second Honeymoon" by James Patterson and Howard Roughan (Grand Central Publishing)
5. "Orphan Train" by Christina Baker Kline (William Morrow Paperbacks)
6. "Don't Go" by Lisa Scottoline (St. Martin's Griffin)
7. "The Oh She Glows Cookbook" by Angela Liddon (Avery)
8. "The How Can It Be Gluten Free" by America's Test Kitchen (American Test Kitchen)
9. "Heaven is for Real" by Todd Burpo (Thomas Nelson)
10. "Lone Survivor" by Marcus Luttrell (Back Bay Books)
11. "Four Blood Moons" by John Hagee (Worthy)
12. "Philomena" by Martin Sixsmith (Penguin)
13. "A Week in Winter" by Maeve Binchy (Anchor)
14. "The Monuments Men" by Robert M. Edsel (Back Bay Books)
15. "Winter's Tale" by Mark Helprin (HMH/Mariner)

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TEXAS DAMES

SASSY AND SAVVY WOMEN THROUGHOUT LONE STAR HISTORY



'Texas Dames' chronicles women throughout Texas history



GLEN AARON

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"Texas Dames," by Carmen Goldthwaite, came out last year and tells the stories about notable Texas women. While gender specific, men will also greatly enjoy the read.

This book is research-based, factual and throws light on some of the most extraordinary women in history — all from Texas. It includes, for example, the first woman ever elected mayor in the U.S. (when women couldn't even vote), the first black woman to found a college, the first woman to be named "The greatest athlete of the year" for seven years in a row.

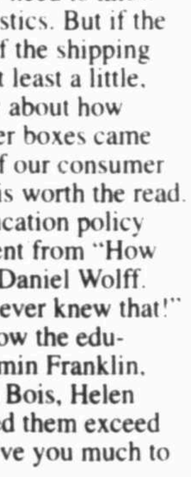
Readers will love the story of MA Ferguson, the first female governor of Texas who, after her election, fired the entirety of the Texas Rangers for being involved in politics — the list goes on.

We are all familiar with the beloved Dora Roberts of Big Spring, who lived with her husband in a sod hut back at the turn of the century and ended up extremely wealthy (thousands of oil wells, with the first one from 1927 still pumping), thousands of acres of cattle; and while she ran the First National Bank of Big Spring and gave hundreds of millions to charities, she continued to sell eggs and butter to farmers on the side.

Goldthwaite is a Fort Worth journalist, author and professor who teaches writing. Check out her vibrant personality at www.carmengoldthwaite.com. "Texas Dames" can be purchased at Barnes and Noble, Hastings or online at Amazon.com.

Thanks to Tom Parks for this referral for review. If you have a West Texas book you would like reviewed send the suggestion to mbuck@mrt.com or glenaaron.com.

Some books make history come alive



ESTHER CEPEDA

Washington Post Writers Group

Throughout my formal academic career, history classes bored me. The timelines, the outdated maps, the tiresome chronology that seemed always to begin with ancient earthen pottery and end with the Beatles making crowds of teenage women faint. Snore.

The stories from history, however, were a different thing altogether.

I would give just about anything to lay my hands on a copy of my first favorite book — a story about how Benjamin Franklin arrived in Philadelphia with only a few coins in his pocket and made his way to a bakery where he bought three puffy rolls of bread.

An illustration showed a young, red-cheeked Franklin eating what looked to me like three bolillos — the bread that tortas, a Mexican sandwich, are made with — as he walked down the streets of what was to become one of the capitals of the fledgling United States.

This memory of being able to almost taste a piece of history bubbled up from my consciousness as I finished "The House of Morgan: An American Banking Dynasty and the Rise of Modern Finance" by Ron Chernow.

I'm certainly not a student of banking, but the idea of spanning 150 years in America through the story of one family was irresistible.

The book did not disappoint. Richly detailed and meticulously researched, Chernow gives us a sweeping view of business and wealth in the U.S. during several wars, economic booms and crises, and the construction of some of the nation's most important infrastructure. He unwittingly traces the path of propriety among the wealthy classes to the overabundance of profit and stark greed that make Americans both worship and despise Wall Street.

There are vivid stories about J.P. Morgan's diseased and torturous-to-look-at nose, his son Jack Morgan's embarrassing encounter with a circus midget outside a Senate hearing, and digressions into the Morgan institutions' first Hispanic, Jewish and female managing partners.

I recommend the book because of so many interesting tales from history. Also, here is a list of other recently published books telling history through a person, product or institution. Sorted from wonkiest to most entertaining, they're so good I promise you'll enjoy them even if you never liked history in school.

The most offbeat selection is "The Box: How the Shipping Container Made the World Smaller and the World Economy Bigger" by Marc Levinson. OK, I'll grant you that there aren't many people who really need to know this much about maritime logistics. But if the "first comprehensive history of the shipping container" doesn't thrill you at least a little, then rest assured that the story about how those giant colorful semi-trailer boxes came to change nearly every facet of our consumer lives from the 1950s to today is worth the read.

You don't need to be an education policy expert to derive great enjoyment from "How Lincoln Learned to Read" by Daniel Wolff. But if you love that "Wow, I never knew that!" feeling and are interested in how the educational upbringings of Benjamin Franklin, Abraham Lincoln, W.E.B. Du Bois, Helen Keller and Elvis Presley helped them exceed expectations, this book will give you much to think about.

"American Gun: A History of the U.S. in Ten Firearms" by Chris Kyle with William Doyle is just jaw-dropping. Not a glorification of guns, nor a dismissal of the pain they've brought this nation, this is an eye-opening and respectful look at the role guns have played in the development of our national character, identity and economy. Plus, it's just plain fun to read.

Lastly, "Bitter Brew: The Rise and Fall of Anheuser Busch and America's Kings of Beer" by William Knoedelseder. This story about five generations of the Busch family has more suds than most soap operas. Sex, lies, betrayal, hubris, alcohol, zoo animals and amusement parks, labor union disputes, fancy horses, egos, babies born and served Budweiser before even suckling at their mother's breast for the first time, it's all there. America's ups and downs over 150 years in beer — you can't beat that.

History — too rich, steamy, violent, greedy and funny to be any good once sanitized and compartmentalized into a textbook — must be devoured in its fullness in adulthood. Enjoy.



JOHN TRISCHITTI

Director of Midland Public Library System

Library to host exhibit geared toward young patrons

The Midland County Public Library is delighted to be bringing in "Arthur's World," the national touring exhibition based on the PBS children's television series and popular Marc Brown books. The exhibit will open at the Centennial branch March 31, and will remain until June 28. Created by Brown, Arthur is an 8-year-old who, along with his little sister D.W. and their friends and family, has been beloved by children since 1976. Today there are dozens of Arthur titles and more than 35 million books in print, and the Arthur television program airs daily on PBS. Featuring stories about the challenges of childhood, such as looking and feeling different, sibling rivalry, taking care of a pet or making new friends, Arthur illustrates problem-solving and communication skills, as well as the importance of self-respect and respect for others. Some of the elements of the exhibit will include:

- Arthur's World TV: Live from the Lakewood School Auditorium: join Arthur and the gang as they make their own videos. Combining actual footage from favorite Arthur shows with ChromaKey technology, children appear on a giant television screen as characters in "Arthur's World."
- Backyard Sleepover: Capturing the excitement of a child's sleepover, the backyard offers children all the paraphernalia of a real sleepover: sleeping bags, pillows, books and games. Children can join in the sleepover fun with Arthur, Buster and The Brain as they tell spooky stories, crawl in and out of a cluster of tents, make shadow puppets and create signs to communicate with aliens.
- Mr. Ratburn's Classroom: Join in the classroom activities with Arthur and friends as they enter a spelling bee or explore life under a microscope. Student cubbies let you peek in. Guess which one belongs to whom? Take a seat at your favorite character's desk and role-play school life with Arthur and his teacher, Mr. Ratburn.
- Elwood City Library: Books are cool in "Arthur's World." This is Arthur's neighborhood gathering place where children discover and explore the world of books while helping D.W. sign up for a library card, voting for their favorite Arthur book and choosing a book Binky would like to read. A circulation desk — complete with scanners and book drop — plus shelves of children's books and resource materials for parents complete the library atmosphere. It's a great place for families to curl up for a few minutes with a book.

Building off of the success of last year's "Bob Hope: An American Treasure" exhibit and the Gen. Tommy Franks exhibit, the library is excited to bring this interactive exhibit geared for our younger patrons.

The Midland County Public Libraries are excited to be teaming up with local Albertsons through its Community Partners program to create a collaboration we hope is beneficial for our users. Library patrons can pick up a Midland County Public Library Community Partners key fob at either of the library locations and each time you shop at Albertsons, give your cashier your key tag and the MCPL Foundation will earn a portion of the total you spend. The more of our patrons who use their cards, the better the return for the library; it is that simple. We hope you will take advantage of this easy way to generate revenue for the foundation so it can continue to bring high quality exhibits like "Bob Hope: An American Treasure," "Arthur's World" and others to Midland.

Keep up with library happenings online at www.co.midland.tx.us/lib. And follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/Midland-CountyPLTX

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BOOKBRIEF

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Local book publisher to speak at West Texas Writers meeting

Tom Parks, retired UTPB administrator and professor and owner of local publishing company Marble Press, will be the speaker at the West Texas Writers meeting, 2 p.m. April 5 at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch.

Parks will speak on "Art and the Origins of Writing," with focus on how primitive art led to the development of a written language. His presentation will also include an examination of dialect differences writers must contend with in pronunciation, vocabulary, grammar, word choice and sentence variations. The meeting is open to the public.

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Attack debt, keep lifestyle simple despite bigger paycheck



DAVE RAMSEY

DEAR DAVE: I recently got a new job that will increase my income by $20,000 a year. I've got $65,000 in debt, and I'm trying to pay it off, so I know I need to adjust my budget. Do you have any suggestions for a situation like this? — Mitchell

DEAR MITCHELL: Congratulations on your increased income! The first thing I'd tell you is not to get used to any permanent luxuries while you're paying off debt. Go out and celebrate with a really nice dinner or something like that after you get your first paycheck. But don't go nuts or pick up any big, new stuff. The more you put toward debt, the faster it goes away.

I've been doing this financial thing for a lot of years, and the one thing I've found that gets people out of debt is passion. I want you to be so passionate about getting out of debt that you don't even consider doing anything else until it's all gone. Your thought process needs to be, "Wow, I got a new job making more money. I can get out of debt even quicker!"

Again, I'm OK with you adjusting a bit that first month and having a little fun to celebrate your good fortune. But after that, I want you to turn around and attack the debt with even more intensity than before. Way to go, Mitchell!

DEAR DAVE: I own a one-bedroom condo that I'm using as a rental property. The current tenant's old agreement is up soon, but she signed a new lease less than a month ago and gave me a deposit, plus the first month's rent. Just the other day, she called and wants to back out of the agreement. She said she discovered after she signed that her ex is having serious health problems, and she needs to move to help take care of their kids. What do you think I should do? — Flavia

DEAR FLAVIA: I own a bunch of rental properties, so I know for a fact that as a landlord you run into all kinds of situations. Some are more genuine than others. I would want some proof as to what's going on, but on the surface it sounds as if she's got a valid reason for wanting to cancel the agreement.

Basically, she's asking for your understanding and mercy. If it were me, and what she's said turned out to be true, I'd try to lease the place to someone else as quickly as possible, and I'd refund her the deposit plus any money it doesn't cost you in the process. In other words, if it took two weeks to find another tenant, then I'd give back the deposit and two week's rent. Of course, if she's in really bad shape — and you're on solid enough financial ground to withstand the blow — you could let her out of the agreement completely and move on to finding another tenant.

You don't want to profit from someone who's genuinely struggling. But you have to look out for yourself and, if possible, try to break even. Regardless, I wouldn't take advantage of anyone who's truly going through hard times. That's just not right.

Oprah gives Starbucks tea a celebrity shot

By Candice Choi
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Starbucks turned its shareholders meeting into an episode of the Oprah Winfrey show on Wednesday.

The celebrity talk show host appeared on stage to announce a drink called the Oprah Chai that will be sold at Starbucks cafes starting April 29. The drink will also be available at the small chain of Teavana tea shops Starbucks recently bought.

The splashy move comes as Starbucks Corp. looks to tap into tea as a new sales driver. Starbucks cafes are still enjoying strong sales growth, but the company is also facing intensifying competition as fast-food chains and others crowd the coffee market.

Before welcoming his surprise guest on stage at the annual meeting, Starbucks CEO Howard Schultz noted that he wanted to "ignite and transform" the tea category. Schultz has said repeatedly in recent months that he wants to make tea as popular as he helped make coffee with Starbucks.

Teavana had about 300 locations when Starbucks acquired it. The stores are located mostly in shopping malls and sell packaged and loose leaf teas, rather than prepared drinks or food. But Starbucks has said it plans to open more free-standing locations. It recently opened a Teavana tea shop in New York City that looks more like a cafe and serves a variety of small dishes.

The idea for the collaboration came after Winfrey shared her love of tea with Schultz at a wedding they attended last summer, the two said in an interview after the shareholders meeting. He sent chai tea to her hotel room and asked if she wanted to create her own tea for the chain.

"The passion Oprah has for chai tea is not a casual preference," Schultz said.

"I've texted him about 100 times since we were at the wedding this summer," Winfrey said.

BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU

Technology makes people vulnerable to scams

Whether it comes as emails, phone calls or a text message — scams are difficult to escape. Scammers will do whatever they can to rip you off; it's important to be on your guard.

Many times con artists will try and build your trust through emotion, or by offering something that seems too good to be true (because most often it is). Sometimes scammers focus their efforts on the elderly, the most vulnerable and trusting, because they know they will be able to gain that trust quicker with less effort. However, with technology today, we're all vulnerable.

BBB gets thousands of complaints every year from consumers who are taken advantage of by scammers. Here are some typical scams BBB sees pop up throughout the year:

Lottery or sweepstakes scams

■ Victims typically receive a letter in the mail from a supposed lottery or organization claiming they have won a substantial prize. The catch is that the victims are required to wire hundreds of dollars back to the scammers, allegedly to cover taxes or other admin fees.

Job scams

■ These scams come in a variety of forms, but typically are either bogus work-at-home opportunities, mystery shopping offers or phony job postings on websites.

■ The common thread in most job scams is they require some form of advance fee. This can be for home start-up kits, evaluating a MoneyGram or Western Union service or for background checks and applications.

■ The end result is either lost money or identity theft.

Door to door scams

■ Depending on the time of year, scammers employ several door to door schemes on unsuspecting consumers. BBB is aware of product pitches from magazine sales or food items or phony contractors offering repair services after a severe storm.

■ Consumers generally contact BBB after they have paid substantial advance fees or paid in full for products or services that were never performed or delivered.

Phishing attempts

■ Emails or ads on social media websites and search engine results pages take various forms such as appearing to be from a business, a government agency or even a friend.

Whatever the setup, the goal of any phishing attempt is to trick victims into providing sensitive information or infect their computer with viruses and malware.

Many times, these attempts increase with major national headlines or around the time of year where consumer spending is high such as tax-free weekend or the holidays.

Where/when are people most likely to get scammed?

Consumers become more targeted by scammers during periods of the year when they are likely to spend more money than usual. This includes events such as major holidays and tax-free weekend. Additionally, BBB uses the phrase "today's headlines are tomorrow's scams" often because scammers try to leverage attention or curiosity with a national issue into a way to steal money or personal information.

How can you prevent falling for a scam?

Consumers can avoid the most common scams by:

■ Never wiring money, especially to an organization or someone you don't know.

■ Never paying money in advance for major repair work or for job applications.

■ Use a credit or debit card instead of cash as these offer more protection.

■ Avoid curiosity by not clicking on links or opening emails from people you don't know.

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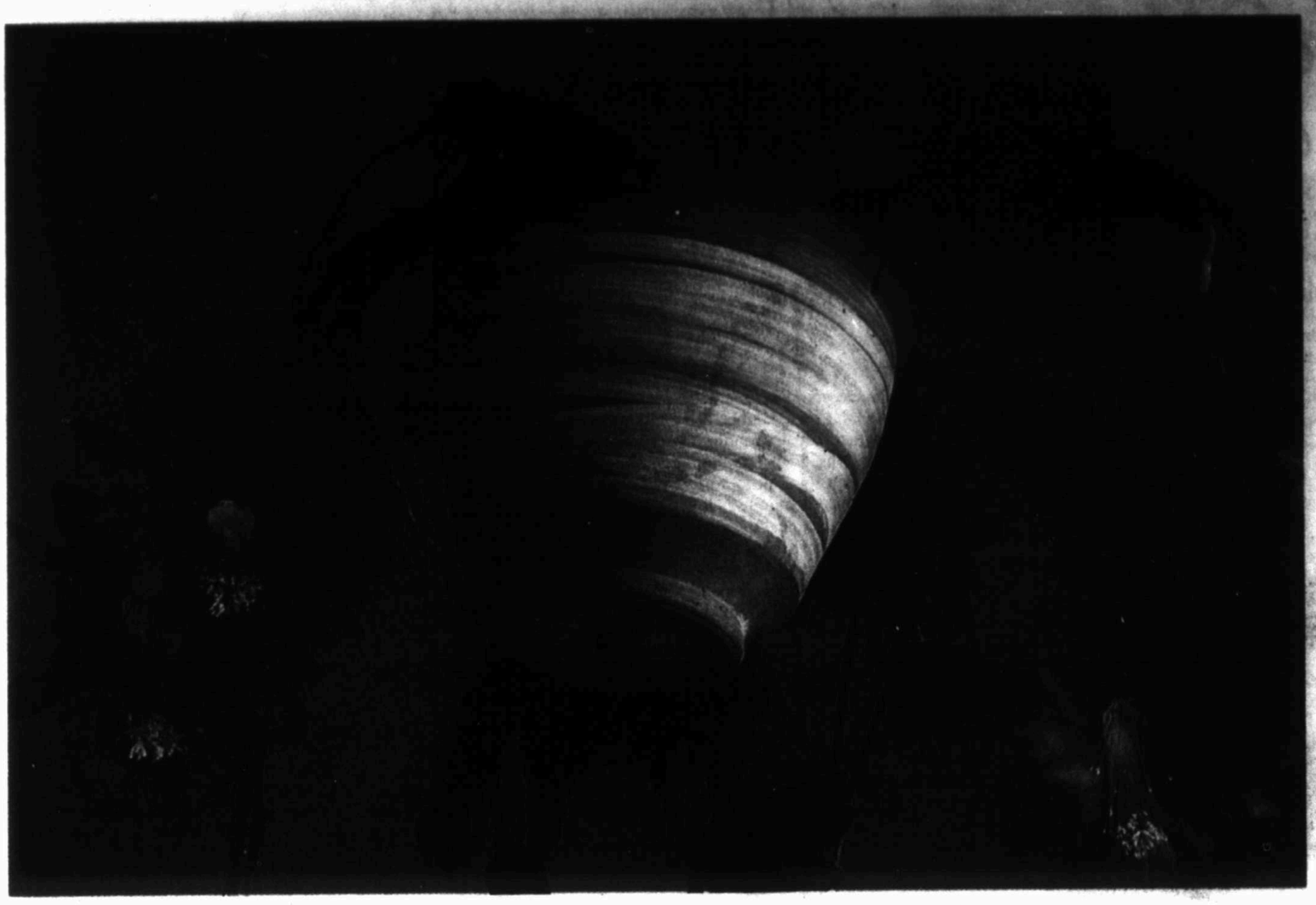
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An easy to grow, flamboyant red orchid cactus is seen March 10 in New Paltz, New York.

Lee Reich/AP

Orchid cacti are easy to grow, beautiful in bloom

By Lee Reich
Associated Press

The biggest problem with growing orchid cacti is figuring out just what they are.

They are cacti, but are not spiny. Their spectacular blossoms are neither orchids nor orchid-like.

Sometimes orchid cacti are called epiphyllums, which is also the botanical name of some (but not all) orchid cacti. The word epiphyllum means "on the leaf" and refers to the way the flowers just pop out from the edges of the ... well, they look like leaves but they're really just flattened stems.

Enough with the semantics! The important thing is that fat flower buds on my orchid cacti's stems are about to burst open into spectacular white, pink or scarlet blossoms. And coaxing forth these blossoms required very little effort on my part.

This cactus likes moisture

Although orchid cacti, or epies (short for epiphyllums) as they are sometimes called, are true cacti, they are not native to deserts but to lush, tropical jungles. There, they nestle into forks in tree branches or into rock crevices where enough humus has accumulated to retain moisture. The plants enjoy soils that are both well-drained and retain moisture. I use my standard potting mix with a little extra perlite for drainage; you could also make up a mix using peat moss, compost, and perlite or sand.

Here, out of the jungle, the plants look right at home in hanging baskets, from which their arching, flattened stems, scalloped along the edges, can swoop up and out as fountains of greenery.

In contrast to the night-blooming cereus cactus, an epiphyllum species that is spectacular and fragrant the few nights that it blossoms, the flattened, green stems of orchid cactus are nice to look at year round.

On some of my plants, the stems are so thin they droop languidly right over the edge of the pots from their own weight. My white-flowered epi, in contrast, has sturdy stems that reach out a couple of feet in all directions before succumbing to gravity.

Give them a rest

In return for flowers, which last for weeks but usually appear only once a year, my epies ask for regular watering, occasional fertilizer and, once a year, a rest. The one period when epies should not be watered is, conveniently, beginning in fall when they begin their annual rest. It's always iffy watering a hanging basket indoors, when a little too much water means scurrying for a bowl to catch the dripping.

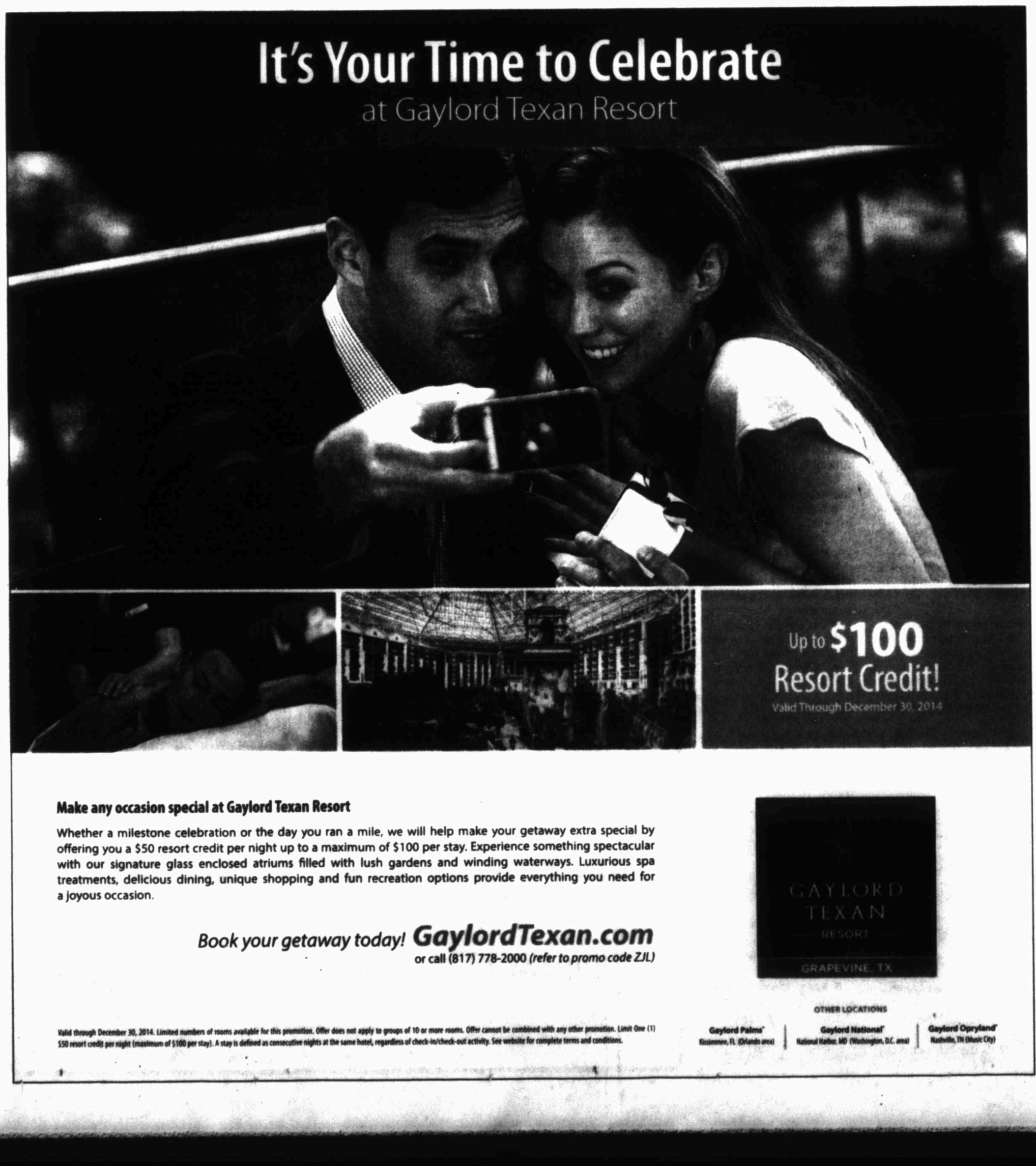
To set flower buds, the plants also allegedly need to experience the naturally long nights of autumn and winter, so they mustn't be interrupted by artificial light after dark. I used to put my plants in a bright window in a cool corner of my basement and forget about them until ready to bring them upstairs and let water and warmth bring on the flowers. I've since found that merely not watering them at all from the time they are brought indoors in autumn is sufficient to induce flower buds. Swelling flower buds indicate that it's time to start watering again.

In summer, the plants like being outdoors in filtered shade such as they might enjoy in their native haunts.

What's in a name?

So what are my plants, really? I still don't know. Epiphyllums and related species were first hybridized in England about 1830. At first, the only colors available were whites, pinks and reds, not much of a limitation given the drama of the blossoms. Humans will be humans though, and in 1950, breeding efforts brought forth the first yellow orchid cactus, called Reward. The original cuttings sold for $400. Perhaps blue epies are on the horizon.

The point is that epies have been so hybridized that many now have few or no epiphyllum genes in them. No matter: All the epies are easy to care for, attractive year round and stunningly beautiful in bloom.





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MIDLAND ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Midlanders urged to get involved in economic policies

- As the city grows rapidly, decisions made today will have implications years from now

By Mella McEwen
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There are mixed emotions as Midlanders view the rapid economic growth the Tall City is undergoing.

"We are in a time when we have huge economic opportunities," said Laura Roman, who recently ended her term on the Midland Development Corporation board and is incoming chair of the Midland Chamber of Commerce. "Yet there's also this fear of what if a bust happens."

It's OK to live with that concern, she said, but the city must prepare for continued change.

She stressed that Midland is undergoing changes. "It's how we deal with those changes that will influence the community we will be in 20 years," she said. "Our actions today will have huge implications."

Projections that Midland's population will exceed 200,000 by 2028 could be conservative, she said, as those projections are based on what she called a moderate growth rate of 4 percent a year. Even at that modest rate, she pointed out that 2028 is less than 20 years away.

Discussing Midland's economy and business atmosphere with the Petroleum Accountants Society of the Permian Basin, Roman said that Midland's rapid economic growth has officials reacting to events rather than being proactive.

Recent reports that the city's growth is beginning to slow should not be met with concern but with relief that Midlanders will have the time to make rational decisions.

"We don't have to always be No. 1. Stability will let us catch our breath," she said.

Officials are planning for housing that population growth, which they forecast will trend southwest, north and northwest and even to the northeast. Roman reported there are 1,431 lots with homes being built, 1,664 apartment units and 1,368 hotel rooms under construction.

"If you're going to grow, you need to bring more workers into the community," Roman said. "Right now it's hard for people to come here. You can't get a job at McDonald's and then rent a $1,400 one-bedroom apartment. There is a huge need for workforce housing," which she said is the focus of the construction.

The MDC has shifted its focus from the traditional economic development goal of attracting new industries and businesses to helping retain existing businesses and helping them grow. The MDC is also working with the city on strategic projects needed to help meet development objectives. For example, the MDC helped pay to extend utilities under Interstate 20 to help facilitate development south of I-20. The MDC has also agreed to pay for extending Tradewinds down to Business 20 to ease congestion along Loop 250 and Highway 191 as Betenbough Homes' Legends Park housing development and the Gateway Plaza commercial and residential development grow. Funds from the MDC are also targeted to extend Briarwood from Holiday Hill to Avalon.

She sees tremendous potential in commercial aerospace, citing the move of XCorp from California to Midland. Once Midland International Airport receives its spaceport license, she said, Midlanders could soon hear the sonic boom of commercial rockets taking passengers

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NAMES IN THE NEWS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Parks Methodist names marketing director

ODESSA — Sean Bradley has joined Parks Methodist Retirement Village and The Courtyards as director of marketing.

His prior experience includes retail management positions with an emphasis on marketing, sales and human resources. Most recently, he served as administrator and director of patient care for Visiting Angels in-home elder-care services in Midland.

The Courtyards features 70 new residences in a single-story assisted living and memory care community located in the heart of Parks Methodist Retirement Village. New amenities include secure outdoor courtyards, a restaurant-style dining hall, theater, Wi-Fi internet service, a country store, salon and library.

The Parks Methodist Retirement Village, a member of Sears Methodist Retirement System, Inc., is the only continuing care retirement community in Odessa. The Courtyards, part of a multi-faceted, long-term capital improvement plan for the Parks campus, was developed in partnership with Prevarian Senior Living.

EXCO Resources names chief accounting officer

DALLAS — The board of directors of EXCO Resources Inc. has appointed Richard A. Burnett chief accounting officer. He has served as EXCO's vice president of special projects since he joined the company in November 2013.

He succeeds Mark F. Mulhern, who served as interim chief accounting officer. Mulhern will continue to serve as executive vice president and chief financial officer.

UTPB hosts panel discussion

The University of Texas of the Permian Basin Small Business Development Center will host a question and answer session with a panel of local professionals prepared to answer legal, accounting, business lending and credit questions.

The session will be Tuesday at UTPB's Midland campus, 1400 Farm-to-Market 1788.

Speakers will be Mike Dunlap, CPA with Dunlap & Company, attorney Jack Najarian with the Todd Law Firm, Brian Bell, commercial lender with First Basin Credit Union, and Troy Zupancic, vice president, Gulf Coast Business Credit.

Cost is $10, including lunch.

More information is available at 552-2455 or by email at sbdc@utpb.org

Reyna's Mexican Restaurant relocates to Bradford Inn



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Reporter-Telegram oil editor

Settled into a new larger location inside the Bradford Inn at 3601 W. Wall St. is Reyna's Mexican Restaurant, which opened three years ago at County Road 1210.

Manager Marissa Hinojos said the restaurant menu includes traditional dishes, with fajitas being a popular selection, as well as American dishes like hamburgers. A unique dish is mole chicken poblano, chicken-stuffed poblano peppers with a chocolatey mole sauce so it's sweet and spicy, Hinojos said. The restaurant also offers a children's menu.

Because the restaurant opens early, it offers a breakfast menu that is available all day.

Hours are 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday.

Call-in orders are welcome and can be made by calling 699-2109.

Now located at 1005 N. Midkiff Drive is Hold Strong Nutrition and Fitness.

Ariana Natividad, who owns the store with Adam Cuellar, said they carry supplements like proteins, fat burners, amino acids, pre- and post-workout supplements and testosterone boosters.

The location also offers mixed martial arts classes from Monday through Friday from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Several MMA fighters train there, including Cuellar.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday and noon to 7 p.m. Saturday.

THE ECONOMIST

Healthy expansion expected for Texas' major metro areas



M. RAY PERRYMAN

The Perryman Group's most recent forecast indicates that the state and its major metropolitan statistical areas (MSAs) will continue to expand at a healthy rate through 2018, though growth in the national economy remains sluggish.

The Austin-Round Rock-San Marcos MSA continues to be among the strongest performers in the nation and the state, remaining the top market in the nation in numerous rankings. The area is expected to sustain momentum and continue to outpace growth in other parts of the United States, despite a slight slow-down over the past few months that is largely attributable to a particular weakness in the government sector. Through 2018, the Austin area is forecast to see gains in output (real gross product or RGP) at a 4.48 percent yearly rate, for an overall increase of almost $23.3 billion. Nearly 119,500 net new jobs are projected to be added (2.55 percent per annum growth) to bring wage and salary employment to more than a million jobs over the next five years.

Though the national fiscal situation is weighing down performance in the Dallas-Plano-Irving Metropolitan Division (MD), it is expected the area will perform well in the coming years. The Greater Dallas area had been outperforming the national trend, but has recently seen job losses in several sectors that slowed the momentum building through much of last year. The area is home to many corporate headquarters, distribution/logistic firms, and other companies more likely to be affected by national uncertainty. However, it is likely that notable improvement will be observed through the forecast horizon. The Perryman Group's most recent forecast indicates output (RGP) expansion at a 4.45 percent pace, for a gain of more than $72.8 billion through 2018. Wage and salary employment is projected to expand by more than 295,400 during the period as well (a 2.45 percent yearly pace).

The Fort Worth-Arlington MD added almost 25,000 new jobs during 2013, though some industries shed positions in December. The area's services, trade and manufacturing segments have been important sources for hiring. Ongoing national improvement will lead to expansion in the area economy, particular for distribution and logistics firms. However, the region's notable defense-oriented manufacturing base will continue to suffer from federal budget cuts. Even with these challenges, The Perryman Group's forecast indicates moderate growth at a rate outpacing much of the United States, with RGP likely to increase at a 4.52 percent annual rate through 2018 for a gain of almost $24.1 billion. Over the same 2013-2018 period, wage and salary employment is expected to grow by 117,700 jobs, a 2.32 percent per annum gain.

Like all areas strongly linked to the federal government through military bases and other activity, the El Paso MSA has struggled with budget cuts. However, El Paso gained jobs very late in the year to end 2013 virtually where it started in terms of total employment. The area is projected to see modest growth over the next five years, with output (RGP) expected to grow at 3.70 percent annually for a gain of more than $4.9 billion through 2018. Employment is forecast to increase by nearly 34,200, a 2.02 percent yearly growth rate.

The Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown MSA economy was very strong through most of 2013, though some industries experienced slowing late in the year. As a major center for the oil industry and related activity, Houston has benefitted from the state's surge in oil exploration and production. Regional port infrastructure is also an important source of business activity for the area, which is likely to expand in the coming years. Over the next five years, output in the area is projected to expand at a 4.90 percent annual rate, leading to an increase of more than $112.3 billion. Wage and salary employment is forecast to grow by almost 373,900 jobs (2.43 percent per year).

During the past year, the San Antonio-New Braunfels MSA has experienced spotty performance, with job gains in some industries offset by losses in others. While there has been notable expansion, the pace of growth has been somewhat slower than in some of the other major Texas metropolitan areas. Even so, the area's strengths, including health care, higher education and hospitality, are recovering. Ongoing national improvement will also stimulate gains in the San Antonio area's manufacturing and tourism industries. The manufacturing sector is continuing to see expansion, and the area is benefitting from the spillover effects of the nearby Eagle Ford Shale drilling activity. The Perryman Group's most recent forecast indicates wage and salary employment will grow by an estimated 2.22 percent per annum over the next five years with the addition of almost 110,000 net new jobs. The MSA is expected to experience gains in output (RGP) at a 4.14 percent yearly pace, for a total increment of $18.5 billion through 2018.

Texas' largest metropolitan areas are crucially important to future prosperity for Texas. Growth in these centers for business activity leads to spillover benefits in communities across the state. The Perryman Group's latest forecast indicates continued relatively healthy performance through the short-term horizon and beyond.

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BUILDING PERMITS

Building permits March 10-14

6000 Pedernales Dr	New Residence	$184,500
2511 E. Golf Course Rd	Residence-Detached	$20,000
1011 W. Griffin Ave.	MH-Single Lot	$3,000
902 Manor St.	Residential Alteration	$4,000
2304 Humble Ave.	Residence-Detached	$2,200
1306 S. K St.	MH-Single Lot	$17,000
1307 Castleford Road	Residence-Detached	$500
404 Neely Ave.	Residential Alteration	$6,000
2109 Blackwood Drive	New Residence	$366,750
4317 Versailles Drive	Residence-Detached	$9,000
3412 Douglas Ave.	Residence-Detached	$3,500
308 E. Oak Ave.	Residential Addition	$1,000
2100 Ironwood Drive	New Residence	$458,370
1006 N. Loraine St.	Residence-Detached	$2,500
3300 N. Midkiff Road	New Commercial	$1,500,000
1802 E. Pecan Ave.	New Residence	$158,040
4912 Quartz Lane	Residence-Detached	$1,000
1000 N. Midkiff Road	Snow Cone Stand	$8,000
3803 Cardinal Lane	Swimming Pool	$77,600
2909 Chelsea Place	New Residence	$270,900
2502 Culpeper Drive	Residential Addition	$20,000
1320 N. Fairgrounds	MH-Single Lot	$115,200
1320 N. Fairgrounds	MH-Single Lot	$57,600
1320 N. Fairgrounds	MH-Single Lot	$60,800
4629 Hilltop Drive	Residential Addition	$10,000
4506 Gleneagles Drive	Residential Addition	$800
3600 Neely Ave.	Commercial Alteration	$4,500
5605 Highland Blvd	Residential Alteration	$12,000
3209 Lockheed Drive	Residential Addition	$45,000
1209 Pratt St.	Residential Addition	$4,000
5916 Mile High Lane	New Residence	$213,000
603 S. Mineola St.	New Residence	$162,380
2605 Fannin Ave.	Residence-Detached	$35,000
404 E. Spruce Ave.	Residential Addition	$38,520
5914 Mile High Lane	New Residence	$182,000
5912 Mile High Lane	New Residence	$162,000
5910 Mile High Lane	New Residence	$162,000
5908 Mile High Lane	New Residence	$213,000
401 Tradewinds Blvd.	New Commercial	$1,505,000
120 N. Eisenhower Rd	Residential Alteration	$6,000
1000 N. Midkiff Road	Commercial Alteration	$45,000
5508 Casa Grande	New Residence	$230,400
5507 San Clemente	New Residence	$230,400
6833 Island Circle	Residential Addition	$40,000
6012 Llano Court	New Residence	$207,360
1306 S. Midkiff Road	Sign	$200
1706 Goode St.	Sign	$710
3209 W. Industrial Ave	Sign	$5,412
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Source: City of Midland

Cheerios get no lift from GMO switch

By Candice Choi
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Plain old Cheerios are no longer made with genetically modified ingredients, but the switch hasn't yet translated to a boost in sales.

General Mills, the company that makes the cereal, in January announced it would start making its plain Cheerios without GMOs, or genetically modified organisms. The move came after a campaign by the group Green America, which prompted fans to express their support on the Cheerios' Facebook page.

On Wednesday, CEO Ken Powell said in a phone interview that the company has gotten supportive letters and online comments for its decision. But he said the company was "not really seeing anything there that we can detect" in terms of a sales lift.

"It's what I expected," Powell said. He added that genetically modified organisms aren't really a concern for most customers.

Americans have been moving away from cereal more broadly, as alternatives such as Greek yogurt or breakfast sandwiches have gained popularity.

That has left General Mills and rival Kellogg struggling to boost sales. Cheerios is no exception; Powell conceded that sales have been "down somewhat" for the brand.

As for GMOs, there has been little scientific evidence showing that foods grown from engineered ingredients are less safe than their conventional counterparts. But their use has become a growing issue, with some saying they could have longer-term health impacts and that people have the right to know if genetically modified ingredients are used in foods.

Cheerios boxes are now labeled as being "Not Made With Genetically Modified Ingredients," which is not an official certification.

The change does not apply to other boxes of Cheerios, such as Honey Nut Cheerios or Apple Cinnamon Cheerios, which still use genetically modified ingredients.

It's not the first time General Mills has adjusted its products to food trends. Executives have noted that the company was able to turnaround declining sales of Chex by rolling out varieties labelled as "gluten-free." And on Wednesday, they noted in an earnings call that they planned to renovate cereal brands by bringing such "health news" to them.

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MARKET WATCH

Cold getting too much blame in economic reports

SCOTT WREN
Wells Fargo

We have been hearing about it from companies in various industries for the entire fourth-quarter earnings reporting season. The U.S. government has been talking about it in nearly every economic report that has been released over the past couple of months. And, of course, we have been complaining about it for what seems to be an eternity.

The object of all this attention: this winter' incredibly cold weather. In many parts of the country, winter has gone down in the record books as one of the most extreme in decades. Heavy snow and ice storms became commonplace across much of the country's midsection. Would it ever end? This strategist was not sure and had to bail out to warmer digs out west for a much-needed family vacation away from the low temperatures.

Publicly-traded companies are usually quick to pick up on any sort of excuse that may have affected performance during any quarter, especially when things didn't work out quite as planned. One would need a calculator or at least a large scorecard to keep track of all the companies that mentioned this year's winter weather in their earnings press releases. Even companies that exceeded the analysts' estimates were working the weather angle with great enthusiasm. It almost seemed a requirement that some weather-related comments were tied to earnings no matter what the industry.

And the government was not shy about using weather to explain bumps in the road that might have occurred in any piece of economic data, either. Employment, industrial production, inflation — you name it, and the weather played a role according to the various agencies that accumulate and report on our country's overall economic condition. In fact, when the Federal Reserve (Fed) released its "Beige Book" commenting on the economic conditions in each of the 12 Fed districts, the report mentioned harsh winter weather 119 times.

The question is, how much of a factor actually was the weather in terms of economic output? Certainly, some shopping trips to the mall were not taken because of the cold. Or was it that more consumers hit the malls because they were sick of sitting at home with nothing to do? No matter what the temperature, people still have to eat, go to work, and drop off clothes at the dry cleaners. And they might have even more reason to visit their favorite neighborhood restaurant just for a change of pace.

Pent-up demand that is on the verge of being unleashed as the season changes is now becoming the theory-du-jour as to why the economy will improve in the months ahead. But our work suggests some analysts may be overplaying their hands. Sure, the bad weather did play some role in creating headwinds for the American economy, but keep in mind where we are in the recovery. The modest growth/modest inflation environment we have been living with for the past several years is alive and well. The situation appears unlikely to change any time soon. Using weather as a crutch for slow growth may make good headlines, but stock market investors need to focus on what is really driving the economy.

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OUTLOOK

From 1F

for brief rides into space. XCorp introduced the MDC to Orbital Outfitters, which manufactures spacesuits and other items for commercial space travel.

As Midland undergoes these changes, she said it is vital for everyone to get involved and have a voice in decisions, whether it's to add a third high school or sources of water.

The chamber will serve as the backbone organization for Midland First, which Roman said will bring together all facets of the city, from businesses to churches, schools to foundations and nonprofits to discuss and determine Midland's priorities.

"This is something every Midlander owns," she said. "It's not just what, for example, MISD wants."

She concluded, "There is no one mastermind behind managing our growth. "It takes everyone — foundations, nonprofits, the government, our schools, even our children."

The good news, she told her audience, is that "what drives Midland to be the tremendous community it is is that we don't wait for things to happen, we take action."

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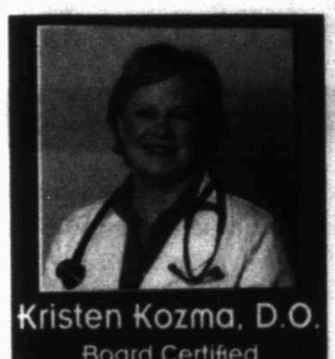
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	G	S	R	C	W	6 AM	6:30	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	In Touch Ministries		(6AM)Sunday		The Truth	House	Paid	This Week (N)	Church	Paid	Paid	
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Paid	Paid	Paid	Mi Vigia	CBS Sunday Morning			Facelift	First Baptist Church		NCAA Basketball	
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Kingdom	In Search	Tomorr.	In Touch Ministries	Key David	Paid	Paid	Animal	Stanton	Live Life	Hollywd.	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	5	Consumer W.	Minist	F. Hardin	Consumer	Fox News Sunday		Odessa	Fields Ave	Rain	Consumer	Consumer	Consumer
KMLM IND	11	11	11	12	11	Southwest		Walking	Lifebynd	In Touch Ministries		Zion	Day Disc.	DoorwaytoWisdom		Nueva Vida	
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	News	Secrets	Mercury	W.America	Sunday Today (N)		Meet the Press		First Baptist Church		USSA Alpine Skiing	
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	C.George	Cat/ Hat	Peg + Cat	DinoTrain	9.Tiger	SuperWI	Sid	Wild K.	Arthur	Speaks	WordGirl	Company
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Creación	Mercury	Para volver a amar		La hora pico		Al punto		Tras la Verdad		República deportiva	
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		JTV	JTV Direct	Bob Vila	Hometown.	Green	Hazelton	O.House	HomeT.	Bucket	Game	Paid	Paid
FLIX		340	65		165	Rules	Father Heist	(:15)	Earth Girls Are Easy			Dirty Dancing: Havana Ni...		Walking the Dead:			
HBO		300	68	14	14	(6AM)	French Kiss	War of the Worlds	Tom Cruise.			Thrones	Paycheck		(:45) Bill Maher		Movie
HBO2		302	69	15	101	23	(:15)	Volcano	Tommy Lee Jones.			Ice Age: Continental Drift		Face Off (Last)		Snitch	Movie
HBOS		304	70	16	102	(7AM)	The Hangover	Geilhorn	(6AM)	Dream House		Movie	Birthday	(:40) Phil Spector		(:15) Woman on...	
MAX		380	71	17	120	24	(6AM)	Rock of Ages		The Beach	Leonardo DiCaprio.			(:20) The Conjuring	Patrick Wilson.	Movie	
MAX2		382	72	18	122	(6AM)	Bee Season	Unleashed	Jet Li			(:40) The Dust Man				Sanctum	
PLEX			96			Movie	Circle of Friends			(:15)		Dragon: The Bruce Lee Story		(:20)		The River Wild	Meryl Streep.
SHOW		320	66	19	140	25	(6AM)	Cool Running	Jim Rome			Solidarity	Jennifer Aniston.		(:15)	W. ('08, Bio)	Elizabeth Banks.
TMC		336	67	22	155	26	Movie	(:20)	Man on a Ledge			(:20) Gone ('11, Thril)	Molly Parker.			Shadow People (2013, Thriller)	Movie
A&E		27	32	28	35	47	Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds			Criminal Minds		C.Minds "25 to Life"		C.Minds "Corazon"	Bates Motel
AMC		40	21	23	42	51	Mad Men		Mad Men				Titanic (1997, Drama)	Kate Winslet, Billy Zane, Leonardo DiCaprio.			
BET		58	26		40	(5:00)	BET Inspiration					Bobby Jones Gospel		Lift Voice		Little Richard ('00, Bio)	Garrett Morris, Leon.
BRAVO		65	63		41	Blood, Sweat, Heels		Online Dating Ritual		Southern Charm		Beverly Hills		Watch	Chasing	Millionaire	
CNBC		46	45		39	72	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
CNN		43	24	51	30	56	NewDay	Sanjay	New Day	Politics		State of the Union		Fareed Zakaria GPS		Reliable Sources	State of the Union
DISC		50	20	31	24	42	Paid	Paid	Paid			Timber Kings		Timber Kings		Heirs to the Dare	Lords of Car Hoards
DISNEY		56	27	36	25	36	Collie	McStuffins	Jake	Sofia 1st		The Muppets		(:20) Mickey		Dog Blog	I Didn't
ESPN		32	29	48	31	30	SportsCenter		SportsCenter			OLines	Report	SportsCenter		NCAA Basketball NIT	Tournament (L)
ESPN2		34	28	49	32	31	College Gameday		Fishing			SportsCenter		OLines	Report	SportsCenter	
FAMILY		53	54	34	42	33	Melissa	Melissa		The Muppets (11, Fam)		Jason Segel.				Jumanji ('95, Fant)	Robin Williams.
FNC		45	58	53	23	55	(5:00)	FOX & Friends	Sunday					News HQ	Housecall	Media Buzz	
FOOD		64	59	27	68	54	Rachel Ray's Week in		Rules	Barefoot	Pioneer	Southern	Heart (N)	Giada (N)	King (N)	Big Bite	The Kitchen
FSSW		37	43	50	45	29	Fishing	Outdoors	Championship Spot.		Paid	Paid	NCAA Softball	Texas vs. Baylor			Game365	Dumbest
FX		31	31	59	64	69	Buffy Vampire Slayer		Buffy Vampire Slayer				Twilight ('08, Dra)	Kristen Stewart.			The Twilight Saga: New ...
HALLMARK		54	49	53		34	Lucy	I Love Lucy	Lucy	Lucy		G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV		63	50	26	48	44	H.Hunter	H.Hunter	H.Hunter	H.Hunter		H.Hunter	H.Hunter	H.Hunter	Property Brothers		Love It or List It
HISTORY		71	62	29	50	43	Fort Knox: Secrets Revealed					Bleeped "Memory"		Bleeped "Deception"		Bleeped Up Brain	Bleeped Up Brain
LIFETIME		28	25	25	28	48	In Touch Ministries		Amazing	David Jer.	J.Osteen	Paid		DODiva "Trust Me"		DropDDiva	"The Kiss"
MSNBC		47	51		49	73	Hardball	Business	Up With Steve Kornacki					Melissa Harris-Perry			
NBCSN		58	39				(5:00)	EPL Soccer	Match of the Day			Live	EPL Soccer	Southampton vs Tottenham (L)		Live	EPL Soccer Sto./A.V
NICK		55	34	39	34	37	Penguins	Kung fu P	Mega	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Ninja	Sponge
SPIKE		30	22	55	53	58	Paid Program		Paid Program			Power	Power	Power		Contract	Contract
SYFY		66	64	41	57	67	Paid		Paid		The Twilight Zone			Foxy and Co.	"Pilot"	Geek Wd	"Pilot"
TBS		25	11	44	66	41	Married	Married	Married	Cougar T	Queens	Queens	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Terminator 2: J...
TCM		41	61	24	63	66	(6AM)	Lady in the ...	Wife vs. Secretary		('36, Rom)	Clark Gable.		Bright Eyes			The Trouble With Angels
TELE		20	8	10	20		Pagado	Pagado	Raggs	Raggs		Noodle	LazyTown	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Op. Repo
TLC		51	33	32	38	52	Paid		Paid		Paid	Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings	
TNT		24	23	40	26	50	Law & Order		LawOrder	"Remand"		Law & Order		LawOrder	"Trophy"	Law & Order	LawOrder "Custody"
TVLAND		49	48	35	54	35	(:15)	G.Girls	(:50) G. Girls		(:25)	Golden Girls		Roseanne	(:25) Rose.	(:10) Rose.	(:25) Roseanne
USA		26	30	42	27	49	Paid Program			Paid Program				Suits "Moot Point"		Sirens	Sirens
WGN		19	18				Zacharia	Facts	Key David	Beyond				Brother Bear	Joaquin Phoenix.		

SUNDAY AFTERNOON — MARCH 23, 2014

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	G	S	R	C	W	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Extreme Weight Loss	"Ashley"			News	Paid
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	(11:00)	NCAA Basketball			NCAA Basketball Division I	Tournament (L)			NCAA Basketball Division I	Tournament (L)		
KWWT CW	5	14			5	14	Browns	Browns	Kids in America	Julie Bowen.				Weather Girl	Tricia O'Kelley.		Rock My World
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	5	8	FamilyST	Outdoors	HomeT.		NASCAR	Auto Racing	Auto Club 400	Site: Auto Club Speedway (L)			Consumer	Consumer
KMLM IND	11	11	11	12	11	11	Biblical	Mani Erfan	Dr. Will	Sal.		Light of the Southwest		Best of Week		J.McGee	Dollars	House Call	Dr. R.B.
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	9	GD Equipment	Spe.	PGA Golf	Arnold Palmer Invitational	Site: Bay Hill Golf Club and Lodge					Orlando, Fla. (L)		Inside Ed.	News
KPBT PBS	13	13			13	8	Cyberch.	Travel Kids	Getaways	BloCent	Art	Beads	Sewing	Knitting	Nova		News.	W.Week
KUPB UNI	4	4			4	16	Republic	Fútbol	MTL Fútbol	Monterrey vs Pumas (L)			El Chavo	Animado	Desconocida		Humor es	Noticiero
KOSA MNT	16	16			16		Best of the GSL		Green	Homes	CARS.TV	AmAthlete	The FBI Files		RedCarpe	Insider	Access Hollywood
FLIX		340	65		165	(:15)	Heaven	Cate Blanchett.				Shadow Conspiracy		(:40)	Steel Dawn	Patrick Swayze.	Movie
HBO		300	68	14	14	(11:45)	The Great Gatsby					(:15)	The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey			(:15)	War of the ...
HBO2		302	69	15	101	23	(11:40)	Notes on a...	Thrones	Doll&Em	Doll&Em 3:20		Rushmore			Argo ('12, Thril)	Ben Affleck.
HBOS		304	70	16	102	Movie	(:50)	Miss Congeniality 2: Armed & Fa...				(:20)	High Roller: The Stu Unger Story		(:40)	A Good Day to Die Hard	
MAX		380	71	17	120	24	(11:30)	Disconnect				The Dark Knight Rises	Anne Hathaway.		(:20)	The Island	Ewan McGregor.
MAX2		382	72	18	122	(:20)	Payback ('99, Act)	Mel Gibson.				(:10)	The Five-Year Engagement		(:15)	Transporter 2	Movie
PLEX				96		(:15)	Trading Mom					(:40)	Circle of Friends		(:25)	Dancer, Texas Pop. 81	(:05) The River ...
SHOW		320	66	19	140	25	Movie	Geraldine Ferraro					The Longest Yard	Adam Sandler.	Episodes	Some Girl(s)	Adam Brody.
TMC		336	67	22	155	26	(11:30)	Java Heat			(:15)	Ain't Them Bodies Saints				Coach Carter ('05, Dra)	Samuel L. Jackson.
A&E		27	32	28	35	47	Bates Motel	"Caleb"	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Treasure	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage
AMC		40	21	23	42	51	Movie	John Q ('02, Dra)	Denzel Washington.					Mission: Impossible III ('06, Act)	Tom Cruise.		
BET		58	26		40	My Sister's Wedding		Alexander.						This Christmas ('07, Com)	Delroy Lindo.		Just Wright
BRAVO		65	63		41	Millionaire		Millionaire		Blood, Sweat, Heels		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta	
CNBC		46	45		39	72	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid		Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
CNN		43	24	51	30	56	Fareed Zakaria GPS		Blitzer (N)	News		Your Money		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
DISC		50	20	31	24	42	Fast N' Loud		Fast N' Loud			To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced	To Be Announced
DISNEY		56	27	36	25	36	GoodLuck	Austin	Austin	Austin			High School Musical		(:50)	High School Musical 2	Movie
ESPN		32	29	48	31	30	PBA Bowling					NCAA Basketball	Division I Tournament (L)		NCAA	NCAA Basketball	
ESPN2		34	28	49	32	31	(11:30)	NCAA Basketball			NCAA	Cheer'd	Cheer'd	Cheerleading		Cheer'd	SportsCenter
FAMILY		53	54	34	42	33	(11:00)	Hook	Robin Williams.				The Goonies ('85, Adv)	Sean Astin.			Space Jam
FNC		45	58	53	23	55	America's News HQ		Fox News			Journal E.	News HQ	Healthy	Housecall	Media Buzz	Fox News
FOOD		64	59	27	68	54	Southern	Pioneer	Buy This	Diners...		Save My Bakery		M. Diners	M. Diners	Diners...	Diners...
FSSW		37	43	50	45	29	Car Warriors		NCAA Baseball	Texas Tech vs. TCU (L)						Rodeo	Super Shootout (L)
FX		31	31	59	64	69	(10:30)	The Twilight Saga: Ne...				The Twilight Saga: Eclipse		Kristen Stewart.			
HALLMARK		54	49	53		34	(11:00)	Second C...		The Nanny	Express					Straight From the Heart	Teri Polo.
HGTV		63	50	26	48	44	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	HouseH
HISTORY		71	62	29	50	43	101 Objects That Changed the World					101 Fast Foods That Changed the World					101 Gadgets That Changed the World
LIFETIME		28	25	25	28	48	Drop Dead Diva		Drop Dead Diva					(:40) Georgia Rule	Felicity Huffman.		
MSNBC		47	51		49	73	Taking the Hill		Meet the Press			MSNBC News Live				Disrupt	
NBCSN		38	39				(11:00)	EPL Soccer	GoalZone	Match of the Day		Day	36	Polo Whitney Cup			
NICK		55	34	39	34	37	Hathaway	Thunder.	Drake	iCarly		SanjayCr	Rabbids	SpongeBob		To Be Announced	
SPIKE		30	22	55	53	58	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue			Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
SYFY		66	64	41	57	67	Case 39										
TBS		25	11	44	66	41	(11:00)	Terminator 2: Judgement Day									
TCM		41	61	24	63	66	Movie		Marty ('55, Rom)	Ernest Borgnine.							
TELE		20	8	10	20		Sin miedo ('06, Act)	Jet Li.									
TLC		51	33	32	38	52	Four Weddings		Four Weddings			Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings	
TNT		24	23	40	26	50	The Losers	Jeffrey Dean Morgan.									
TVLAND		49	48	35	54	35	Brady8.	Brady8.	Brady8.	Brady8.		Brady8.	Brady8.	Hot In Cleveland		Hot In	Hot In
USA		26	30	42	27	49	NCIS: LA	"Overwatch"	NCIS: Los Angeles			NCIS: LA	"Familia"				
WGN		19	18				Home Videos		Home Videos			Home Videos					

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	G	S	R	C	W	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	America's Funniest Home Videos (N)		Once Upon a Time "The Tower" (N)		Resurrection "Two Rivers" (N)		Revenge "Disgrace" (N)		KMID News	(:35)	White Collar	(:35) Paid Program
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	60 Minutes		Amazing Race "Can't Make Fish Bite" (N)		The Good Wife (N)		Mentalist "White as the Driven Snow" (N)		CBS 7 News	(:35) The Wire		(:05) The Closer
KWWT CW	5	14			5	14	(5:00) World	Rock My	An Eye for an Eye (1981, Crime Story)	Matt Clark, Maggie Cooper, Chuck Norris.		Seinfeld	Seinfeld	King of Queens	King of Queens		'Til Death	'Til Death
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	5	8	Bob's Burger (N)	American Dad (N)	The Simpsons (N)	Family Guy (N)	Cosmos: Odyssey (N)		Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Modern Family	Modern Family	Jack Van Impe	Consumer Corner
KMLM IND	11	11	11	12	11	11	Doorways to Wisdom		The Voice (N)		Walking	Dr. Rik Wedge	Light of the Southwest		Zola Lewitt	Update News	Day of Discovery	Dollars & Sense
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	9	The Voice (N)		American Dream Builders (P) (N)		Believe "Origin" (N)		Crisis (N)		News-West 9	Country Reporter	Paid Program	Whacked Out
KPBT PBS	13	13			13	8	Nature "Frogs: The Thin Green Line"		Secrets of the Tower of London		Masterpiece Classic strikes when Sir Ernest		"Mr. Selfridge" Tragedy Shackleton visits town.		Austin City Limits "Esperanza Spalding"		Woodsongs "Amy Grant"	
KUPB UNI	4	4			4	16	Aquí y Ahora		Nuestra Belleza Latina				Sal y pimienta		Perspec-tiva	Noticiero Univision	Tras la Verdad	
KOSA MNT	16	16			16	Ent. Tonight		Burn Notice		The Closer			Private Practice		30 Rock	Sunny	Office	Trobador
FLIX		340	65		165	(5:30)	Derailed		(:30)	Mimic ('97, Hor)	Mira Sorvino.			(:40)	Between Strangers		Hard Target	
HBO		300	68	14	14	(5:15)	War of the ...		(:15)	The Hangover Part III				Girls (N)	Vice	Girls	Vice	Girls	Movie
HBO2		302	69	15	101	23	Bill Maher		Switch ('13, Act)	Dwayne Johnson.				42 ('13, Bio)	Chadwick Boseman.			(:10)	The Man W...
HBOS		304	70	16	102	Movie		(:25)	Taken 2	Liam Neeson.		Dream House			American Reunion	Jason Biggs.		Spector
MAX		380	71	17	120	24	(6:30)	The Island ('05, Act)	Scarlett Johansson, Ewan McGregor.						The Conjuring	Patrick Wilson.		Femme	(:25) Co-Ed
MAX2		382	72	18	122	(5:50)	Beautiful Creatures					Con Air ('97, Act)	Nicolas Cage.		Skin Max		Jack the Giant Slayer	
PLEX				96		(5:00)	The River ...		Dragon: The Bruce Lee Story					(:20)	Circle of Friends		Trading Mom	
SHOW		320	66	19	140	25	Shameless		Episodes	Lies		Shameless		Lies	Shameless		Shameless	
TMC		336	67	22	155	26	(5:20)	Man on a L...			(:15)	Java Heat ('13, Act)	Kellan Lutz.		Ain't Them Bodies Saints			(:45)	Soul Plane
A&E		27	32	28	35	47	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy		Duck Dynasty		Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy
AMC		40	21	23	42	51	Walking Dead "Alone"		Dead "The Grove"			Dead "Us" (N)		The Talking Dead (N)		Walking Dead "Us"		Comic Bo	Gameleros
BET		58	26		40	(4:30)	Just Wright			Loan on Me	('09, Dra)	Robert Goldthwait	Morgan	Freeman		Game	Game	BET Inspiration	
BRAVO		65	63		41	Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atl. (N)		Blood, Sweat, Heels					Watch (N)	Atlanta "Mexi-Loco"	Atlanta
CNBC		46	45		39	72	Til Debt	Money	The Profit			American Greed		American Greed		Money Talks		Car	Car
CNN		43	24	51	30	56	CNN Special Report		Death Row Stories			Death Row (N)				Death Row Stories		Death Row Stories	
DISC		50	20	31	24	42	Naked and Afraid		Naked and Afraid			Naked and Afraid (N)		TBA (5:15)	Naked	Naked and Afraid		(:15)	Naked "Night 2"
DISNEY		56	27	36	25	36	(5:45)	High School Musical 3:...			(:40)	Teen Beach Movie	Ross Lynch.			Wiz, Loso	Austin	GoodLuck	GoodLuck
ESPN		32	29	48	31	30	Basket.	NCAA	NCAA Basketball	Division I Tournament (L)					SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsC.
ESPN2		34	28	49	32	31	SportsC	Featured	Poker '13 World Series			Poker '13 World Series			Poker '13 World Series		College Gameday (L)	
FAMILY		53	54	34	42	33	Monsters, Inc.	John Goodman.						Monsters, Inc.	John Goodman.		Forten	"Monopolis"	J.Osteen	Enjoy-Life
FNC		45	58	53	23	55	FOX Report	Sunday	Huckabee					Justice Judge	Jeanine		Huckabee		Justice Judge	Jeanine
FOOD		64	59	27	68	54	Chopped		Food Court Wars (N)			Chopped (N)			Cutthroat (N)		Restaurant		WPT Poker	
FSSW		37	43	50	45	29	Mavs Pre	NBA Basketball	Brooklyn Nets vs. Dallas Mavericks (L)					Maverick	Edge MD	Rodeo	Spotlight	WPT Poker	
FX		31	31	59	64	69	(:10)	Transformers: Dark of the Moon ('11, Act)	Tyrese Gibson, Shia LaBeouf.							Transformers: Dark of the Moon			
HALLMARK		54	49	53		34	(5:00)	How to Fall...	Second Chances	Alison Sweeney.					When Calls the...		Middle	Middle	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV		63	50	26	48	44	HouseH	House	Bargain	Bargain	Hawaii	Hawaii	Alaska	Alaska	Property Brothers		House	House	Hawaii	Hawaii
HISTORY		71	62	29	50	43	Pwn Star	Pawn Star	Ax Men			Ax Men (N)			No Man's Land (N)		The Swamp	Beast	Ax Men	
LIFETIME		28	25	25	28	48	Post's Gold	Matthew McConaughey.				Drop Dead Diva	"Truth & Consequences" (N)			Fool's Gold	Matthew McConaughey.		
MSNBC		47	51		49	73	Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera			Caught on Camera		Lockup		Lockup		Lockup	
NBCSN		38	39				NHL Live	NHL Hockey	Minnesota Wild vs. Detroit Red Wings (L)					Overtime	NHLTop10	Match of the Day		EPL Soccer	
NICK		55	34	39	34	37	Kenn TBA		Wet Dad	Instant Mom					Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	
SPIKE		30	22	55	53	58	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue			Bar Rescue		Contract	Contract	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
SYFY		66	64	41	57	67	Piranha ('10, Hor)	Elisabeth Shue.				Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines					Anaconda	Jon Voight.	
TBS		25	11	44	66	41	NCAA Basketball	Division I Tournament (L)				NCAA Basketball	Division I Tournament	Third Round (L)			Postgame	Movie	
TCM		41	61	24	63	66	(5:00)	How to Mar...		Indiscreet	Ingrid Bergman.				Suddenly, Last Summer ('59, Dra)	Elizabeth Taylor.		Suddenly, Last Summer	
TELE		20	8	10	20		Mi villano ...		La Voz Kids					Justin la sospe		Thrones	Indio	Justicia Wildfire	
TLC		51	33	32	38	52	Four Weddings		Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Sky Five Wives			Medium	Medium	Sky Five Wives	
TNT		24	23	40	26	50	(5:00)	NCAA Basketball	NCAA Basketball	Division I Tournament	Third Round (L)					Law & Order	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
TVLAND		49	48	35	54	35	Hot In ...	Hot In Cleve.	Hot In	Hot In	Hot In	Hot In	Hot In	Hot In	"Golden"	Sirens	Suits	"Moot Point"	SVU	
USA		26	30	42	27	49	Law&O.:SVU	"Hmut"	SVU	"Spooked"		Law&O.:SVU	"Gray"	SVU	"Collide"					
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UT Permian Basin Men's Basketball Sets High Marks in 2014

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UTPB Men's Basketball gets ready for Homecoming game against McMurry.

Photo by UTPB Athletic Staff

When first year head coach Andy Newman came to UTPB six months ago, he promised a fast-paced offense that would be entertaining to watch and score lots of points.

By all accounts, he and the men's basketball team delivered.

The Falcons ended the 2013-14 with a school Division-II record 17 wins and earned the fourth-seed into last weekend's Heartland Conference Championships.

UTPB advanced to the finals last Friday, defeating #1 Arkansas Fort Smith 81-79 in overtime on Jason Armstead's buzzer-beating three-pointer, before falling the next day to #2 Texas A&M International 76-72.

The Falcons started off the season strong, earning a win against Cameron, two wins against Texas A&M Kingsville, and defeating Division-I Texas A&M Corpus Christi on the road to enter the conference schedule with a 6-2 record.

A large part of getting off to a hot start was Coach Newman's new team adjusting quickly to a new playing style.

"I really appreciate our team's openness for change," Newman noted. "When there's a coaching change at any program its nerve-racking; you don't know how the players are going to respond to a new coach with his philosophies and how they run their program. This team really welcomed me with an open mind and did a great job adjusting to the style of play that I brought to UTPB."

The Falcons strong play continued as conference play kicked off. UTPB opened Heartland action with a big pair of wins on the road, defeating Dallas Baptist 80-66 and knocking off Oklahoma Christian two days later in a 110-101 overtime win. Their victory in Oklahoma City was the third time that the Falcons scored at least 100 points in a game.

They kept rolling over the next month winning five of their next seven games in league play to start off the conference slate with a 7-2 record.

A big part of the Falcons success was first team all-conference selection Dwayne Soders. The senior forward ranked second in the conference averaging 8.8 rebounds per game and was fourth in the Heartland with 15.6 points per game and was 17th nationally with 13 double-doubles on the season. He played a large part in the Falcons being one of the best rebounding teams in the country, helping the team to a sixth ranking in the country with 29.33 defensive rebounds per game and a rebound margin of 8.1.

He was one of five players to average double figures on the season for UTPB as the team ranked in the top-50 and was second in the conference with an average of 82.5 points per game over the season.

The team was also strong on the defensive end of the court, leading the conference in defensive field goal percentage in holding teams to 41 percent shooting from the field and ranking 11th in the nation as opponents only hit 30 percent of their 3-point attempts on the year.

With all the success the Falcons experienced this season, Coach Newman is ready for the team to keep building and to have more fun at an even faster tempo in 2014-15.

"The foundation has been set, we've made it through the growing pains of adjusting to each other, and the learning curve next year will be a lot smaller," Newman said. "We have a returning core group who know what the program is about that will help the new guys adjust quickly to what we do and help us build on our success this year.

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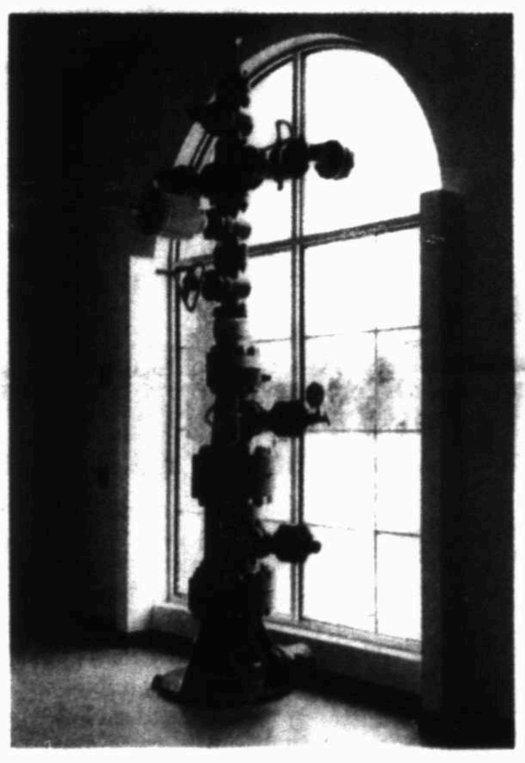
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ADVANCING ENGINEERING RESEARCH





Texas Tech opens Terry Fuller Petroleum Engineering Research Building

■ State-of-the-art labs provide training, research into water, hydraulic fracturing, among other topics

By Mella McEwen
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Technological advancements have been driving growth in the oil and gas industry in recent years.

Studying and advancing that technology is the goal of Texas Tech's new Terry Fuller Petroleum Engineering Research Building, the nation's only freestanding building dedicated solely to petroleum engineering.

University officials officially opened the $22.8 million facility in late February. It is named for Terry and Linda Fuller of Frisco, Tech alumni and lead benefactors of the building. Terry Fuller is founder, president and chief executive officer of Phoenix PetroCorp, an independent oil and gas production and operating company headquartered in McKinney.

The new facility boasts 42,000 square feet of classroom and research space and has already been outgrown, said Marshall Watson, chairman of the Bog L. Herd Department of Petroleum Engineering, who said the university boasts the largest undergraduate petroleum engineering program in the world.

Utilizing technology, he said he can be lecturing in one classroom and have the lecture broadcast in a second classroom, enabling him to reach twice as many students.

Innovations include a geologic formation wall and three-dimension classrooms that offer hands-on models and visuals. Watson said the goal of the classrooms was to give students the physical aspects to the equations they're studying. He'd noticed, he said, that "nothing was sinking in," that he could ask seniors about topics they had studied a couple of years earlier and "receive a deer in the headlights look."

He restructured the curriculum so engineering students could go more in-depth in production, operations and completions so that by their senior year, students can take all electives to focus on their chosen specialty, whether it's production, drilling or reservoir engineering.

Currently a major research focus is hydraulic fracturing and the oil and gas industry's search for alternative water sources to use in the technology. In addition, he said, research is being done into hydraulic fracturing itself "to ascertain how efficient it can get. The more efficient, the less waste there is of resources, not just water but money."

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Petroleum Index continues to be positive in 2014

By Mella McEwen
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Commodity prices and activity levels remained positive as 2014 began, according to the Texas Permian Basin Petroleum Index.

Karr Ingham, the Amarillo economist who prepares the index, said January's index was 6.9 percent above January 2013 levels. The index, he was, was updated to accommodate revised employment data from the Texas Workforce Commission and a revamped regional oil and gas stocks index.

Oil and gas employment, Ingham said, was revised slightly upward by about 1,100 jobs. Employment in January averaged 30,830, up 7.2 percent from last January's 28,750. "The growth rate remains steady and strong, even though the pace of job growth has cooled compared to the extraordinary rates of industry job growth in 2011-2012," Ingham said.

Crude prices remained virtually flat, with the January average of $91.32 up a scant 0.2 percent higher than the $91.15 averaged last January. Those prices helped fuel a 13.4 percent increase in the value of crude production, which was $3.13 billion, up from $2.76 billion last January.

Natural gas prices continued their recovery, with the January average of $4.31 per Mcf at 31.4 percent higher than the $3.28 reported a year earlier. The value of that natural gas production rose 34.2 percent to $432 million from $322 million a year ago.

The rig count was flat with the 380 rigs averaged in January unchanged from the previous January.

There was a sharp drop in the number of drilling permits issued by the Railroad Commission in January, with producers receiving 848 permits, down 15.2 percent from 1,012 last January.

The number of oil completions reported by operators soared to 2,442 in January, up 260.2 percent from 678 in January 2013. Operators reported nine gas completions.

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GUEST SPEAKER

Last man to walk on the moon to address WT Geology Foundation

By Mella McEwen
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Harrison Schmitt, the only geologist and the last man to walk on the moon, will be guest speaker at a luncheon benefiting the West Texas Geological Society and the West Texas Geology Foundation. The luncheon will be at the Petroleum Club Wednesday beginning at 11:30 a.m.

The goal, said Gary Hoose, foundation chairman, is to raise the organization's profile and let the community know how it supports efforts to "facilitate the next generation coming into the energy industry."

Those efforts, he said, support education from providing supplies at area elementary schools to scholarships. With the industry thriving, Hoose said, applications for scholarships have been surging.

WTGS member Mike Party, vice president, exploration at Reliance Energy, noted that the foundation also recognizes the outstanding science teacher annually.

"The science community is getting left behind and not getting the funding from the state it once received," he said. "For an industry that relies on science, that's a shame."

Bringing in a speaker like Schmitt, who was not only the only scientist to fly on an Apollo rocket but is a trained geologist who trained his fellow astronauts on what to look for, what formations to look for when they walked on the moon, is an accomplishment, he said.

Agreed Hoose, "We're fortunate to have someone with his accomplishments, who has succeeded at everything he's ever done," including serving a term in the U.S. Senate from New Mexico.

"He's in a very exclusive club. Only 12 men have walked on the moon, and he's one," Party said.

Rick Doehne, the foundation treasurer, said Schmitt represents everything the foundation stands for.

Table sponsorships have been sold out, Party said.

"Demand was so substantial," Hoose said. "It's great to see the community engaged and supporting the foundation."

Inquiries about seat availability can be made by calling the WTGS office at 683-1573.

Debate continues over reality of climate change

ALEX MILLS
Texas Alliance of Energy Producers

During the evening hours of March 10, a few Democratic senators pulled an "all-nighter" on climate change. No, it was not a slumber party over at Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid's office. And, no, the words "global warming" are no longer used. The politically correct term now is "climate change."

Senate Democrat leaders wanted to show that there is still interest on the issue of climate change. So, Senate Majority Leader Reid staged the all-night rally to bring attention to an issue that is declining in support. Only 28 of the 55 Democratic senators went to the podium on the Senate floor to speak "on the most pressing issue of our time, which is climate change," according to a statement read by Reid.

Even though Reid calls it "the most pressing issue of our time," global warming has lost it pizzazz among some Democrats. Reid couldn't get a cap-and-trade bill passed several years ago when there were 59 Democrats in the Senate. Today, he knows that he has even fewer votes.

A half dozen or so Democrats face re-election this year, and they would have a very difficult time voting for any legislation that reduced the use of fossil fuels or raised the price of energy. For example, Sen. Mary Landrieu of Louisiana faces a tough opponent. She became chairman of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee recently and could lose in November if she were to vote for legislation offered by the Democratic leadership.

Other Democrats that find the "heat in the kitchen" on this issue very, very hot are Mark Pryor of Arkansas, Kay Hagan of North Carolina, Mark Begich of Alaska, Tim Johnson of South Dakota and Mark Udall of Colorado.

The Obama administration, however, continues to push. Secretary of State John Kerry raised the issue again when he assailed climate change skeptics as members of the "Flat Earth Society," implying that those who do not believe in global warming are similar to those who thought the Earth was flat.

"We should not allow a tiny minority of shoddy scientists" and "extreme ideologues to compete with scientific facts," Kerry said.

Kerry's comments caught the attention of Richard McNider and John Christy, who are professors of atmospheric science at the University of Alabama in Huntsville and fellows of the American Meteorological Society. They wrote an opinion column in The Wall Street Journal that stated: "We should not have a climate-science research program that searches only for ways to confirm prevailing theories, and we should not honor government leaders, such as Secretary Kerry, who attack others for their inconvenient, fact-based views."

McNider and Christy pointed out that in ancient times the notion of a flat Earth was the scientific consensus, and it was only a minority who dared question this belief. "We are among today's scientists who are skeptical about the so-called consensus on climate change. Does that make us modern-day Flat Earthers, as Mr. Kerry suggests, or are we among those who defy the prevailing wisdom to declare the world is round?"

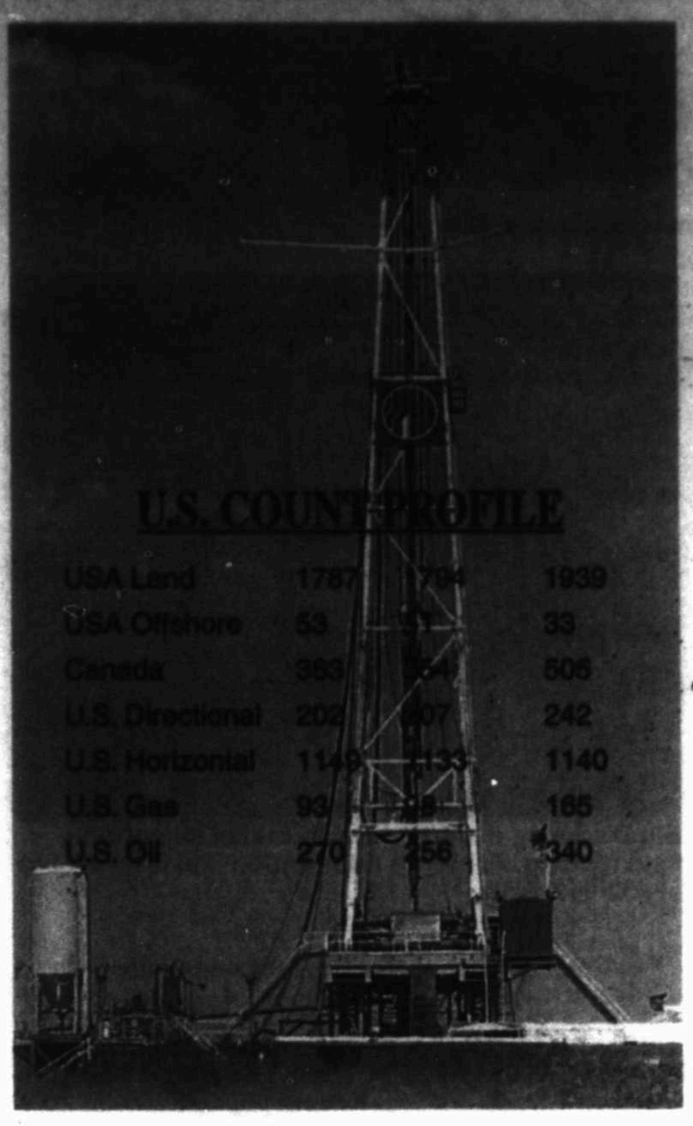
One Senate Democrat that is having a difficult time making sense of the weather is Al Franken of Minnesota. You will remember Sen. Franken, who originally gained fame on television as a comedian. He is up for re-election this year, and as chairman of the Energy Subcommittee of the Energy and Natural Resources Committee, he stood before the Senate microphone and proclaimed that: "This isn't complicated." Most people would take exception, because the science is complicated and difficult to understand.

"We have been using thermometers to make measurements around the globe for a long time," Franken continued. "And we know that the average temperatures have gone up significantly in recent years." Franken forgot to mention that since 1997 the temperature has increased only 0.7 degrees, according to United Nations figures. Less than one degree increase is not very "significant."

Franken tried to explain the very cold winter in the Midwest, called the Polar Vortex. He said that "there will be more extreme weather events as the Earth grows warmer." He followed that with this: "And according to White House science advisor Dr. John Holdren, we can expect to see more of this kind of extreme cold as global warming continues."

It's too early to tell if the good people in Minnesota are buying Franken's comments that the Polar Vortex was caused by the Earth growing warmer.

Alex Mills is president of the Texas Alliance of Energy Producers. The opinions expressed are solely of the author.







MID-WEEK WTI AVERAGE PRICES

Posted	$89.95
Flint Hills Resources*	$89.75
Phillips 66*	$89.95
Plains*	$89.75
Shell Trading*	$89.90
Sun*	$89.75
NYMEX futures	$93.46

*Net price without transportation charge
Note: Posted prices as of November 20, 2013

SPOT NATURAL GAS PRICE PROFILE

Current natural gas prices (price per MMBtu)

	First of the month price	Closing price 11/20/13	Same period one year ago
NYMEX future price	$3.497	$3.674	$3.832
Composite Field Prices For Waha Hub	$3.470	$3.465	$3.565
Composite Field Prices For Rocky Mountains	$3.540	$3.453	$3.526
Composite Field Prices For Permian Basin	$3.470	$3.470	$3.512
Composite Field Prices For San Juan Basin	$3.480	$3.475	$3.500
Composite Field Prices For Midcontinent	$3.440	$3.360	$3.491
Composite Field Prices For Gulf Coast	$3.448	$3.528	$3.614

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Texas

DIST. #7C

Coke	1
Concho	0
Crockett	5
Irion	15
Kimble	0
McCulloch	0
Menard	1
Reagan	16
Runnels	1
Schleicher	2
Sutton	0
Terrell	0
Tom Green	0
Upton	25

DIST. #8

Andrews	21
Brewster	0
Crane	7
Culberson	8
Ector	22
Glasscock	41
Howard	26
Hudspeth	0
Jeff Davis	0
Loving	16
Martin	35
Midland	22
Mitchell	1
Pecos	7
Presidio	0
Reeves	36
Sterling	9
Ward	20
Winkler	3

DIST. #8A

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Cottle	0
Crosby	2
Dawson	2
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Floyd	0
Gaines	10
Garza	1
Hale	0
Hockley	5
Kent	2
King	1
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duce oil and gas, Watson said. The university has a test well on Lubbock's east side for research purposes, and scale models can be built for use in pumping tests.

"Once you've done the drilling and the fracturing, what can you do to enhance recovery?" Watson asked, and not just from the unconventional shale wells but from the older conventional wells found in the Permian Basin.

Yet another research topic will be enhanced recovery, he said, particularly from the shales. "There's a lot of wells in the Permian Basin that have been waterflooded and CO2 flooded for years," Watson pointed out. "You can't push water through these shales."

Curriculum, he said, will take into account that oil and gas producers are focused on optimization, producing as much oil and natural gas as possible as economically as possible.

The building was entirely funded by industry and private contributions. It contains the Anadarko Unconventional Technology Center; the Apache Upstream Research Center, Chevron Reservoir and Drilling Simulation Center, Michael Herd Fracturing and Production Laboratory, LINN Energy Student Lounge, Oxy Enhanced Oil Recovery Laboratory and the Pioneer Natural Resources Pressure Volume Temperature Laboratory.

"There are plenty of wells to drill and a lot of oil and natural gas to produce," Watson said. "We need to supply the professionals who can hit the ground running and not need training."

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unchanged from the nine reported last January.

High levels of activity continued to fuel a turnaround in Permian Basin production, with January crude volumes up 13.2 percent compared to the previous January and natural gas volumes up 2.1 percent compared to the previous January.

The stock index, which is now comprised of Concho Resources, Clayton Williams Energy, Dawson Geophysical and Patterson-UTI Energy, was up 10 percent compared to a year ago.

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Traditional heat fusing involves these seven steps: Order pipe; deliver to job site; procure equipment for heat fusion and pull-through; position pipe in fusing machine; prepare and heat the pipe; cool the pipe; pull pipe through the machine. Not only does Victaulic save you all those time-consuming steps, it eliminates the cost of buying or renting the heat fusion equipment.

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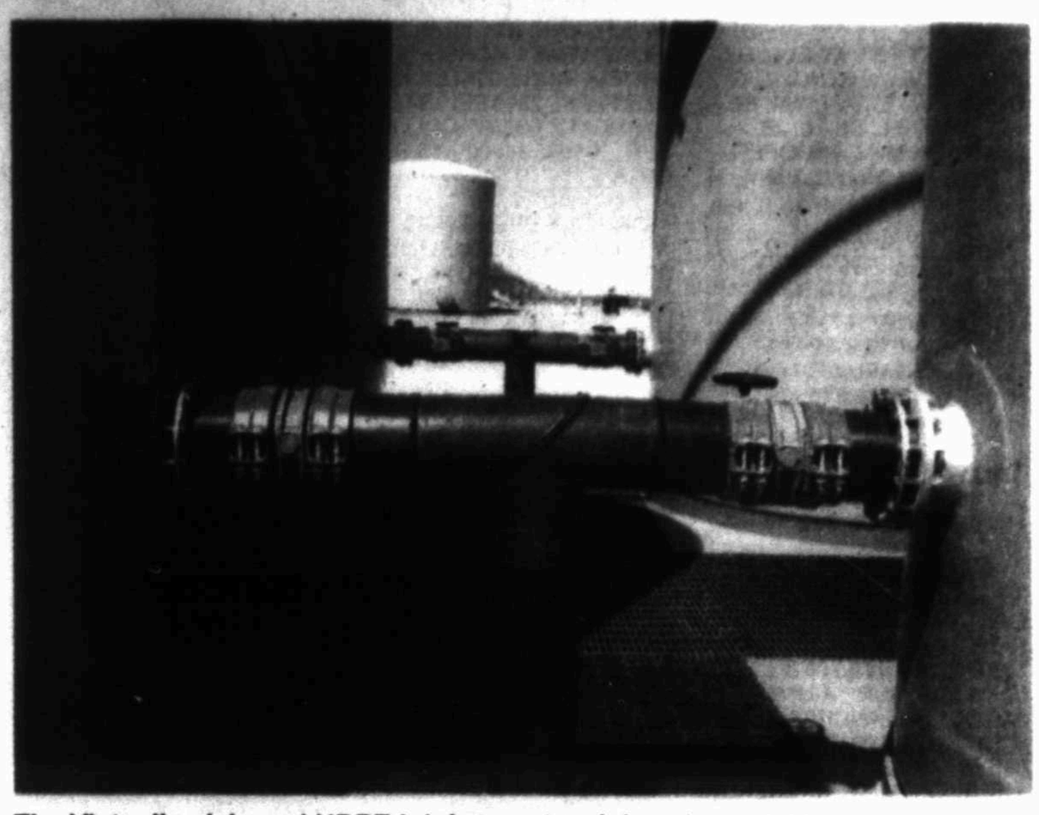
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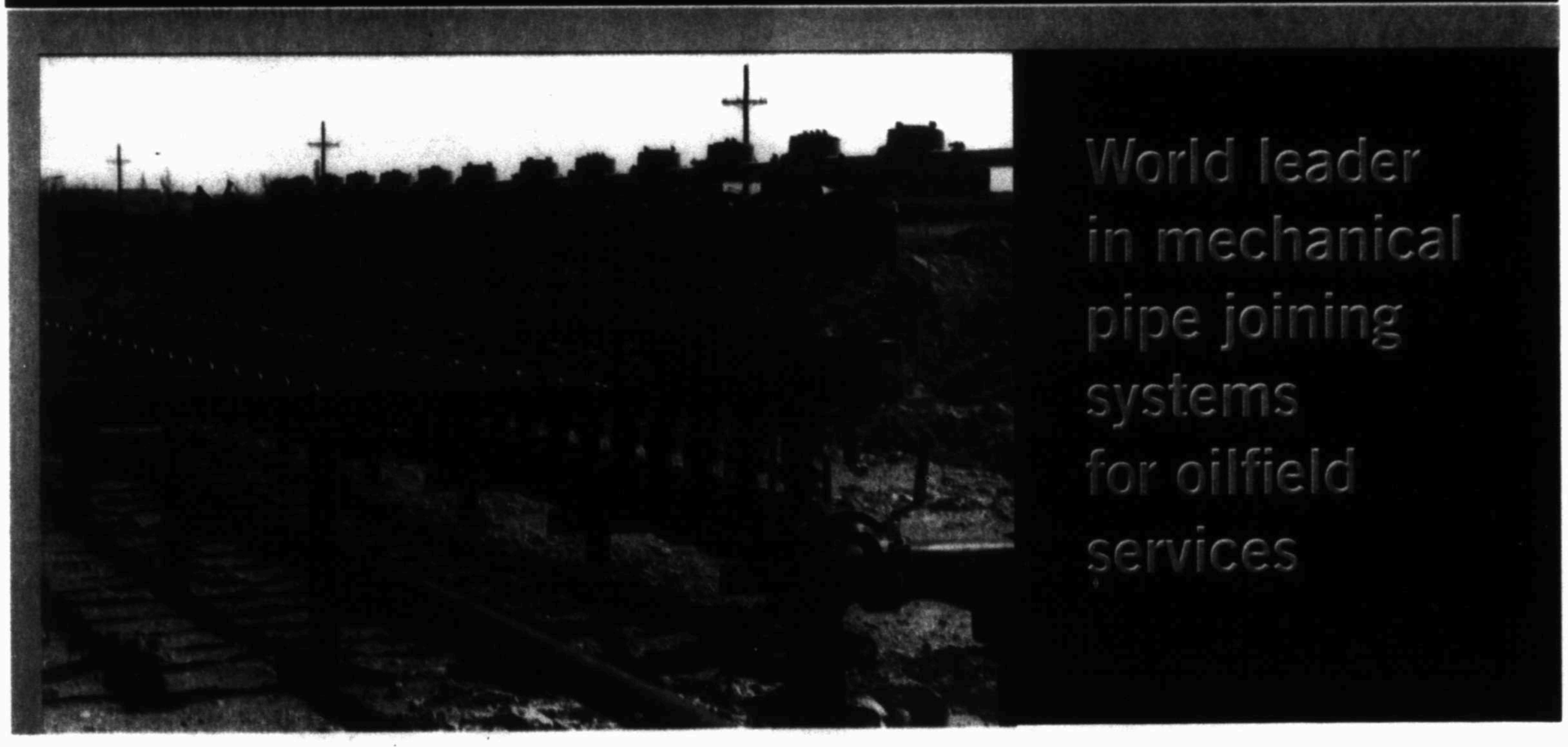


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SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4016 ROBBIEJANE, 557 FSL 1980 FEL, SEC 40 BLK 41 T5S, T&P/ODESSA RANCH CO SUR., A-1476 10900', 23 NW RANKIN

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Andrews County

APACHE CORPORATION THREE BAR (DEVONIAN) DRILL (INJ) Well# 1301SW HIGH BAR UNIVERSITY UNIT, 500,FSL 500 FWL, SEC 13 BLK 12, UL SUR., A-U369 11500'. 18 W ANDREWS

DAKOTA RESOURCES, INC. (I) SPRABERRY (TREND) (RE-ENTER) (INJ) Well# 2D UNIVERSITY EMILIE, 467 FNL 1240 FEL, SEC 35,BLK 4, UL SUR., A-U97 5600'. 9 NE ANDREWS

DISCOVERY OPERATING, INC. MARTIN (CONS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 6 UNIVERSITY 11B, 2070 FSL 940 FWL, SEC 3 BLK 11, UL SUR., A-U323 7999'. 15 S FRANKEL CITY

RING ENERGY, INC. BLK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) DRILL Well# 3 FISHER 4, 990 FNL 1650 FEL, SEC 24 BLK A34, PSL/MRS B FISHER SUR., A-1929 5100'. 10 NW ANDREWS

RING ENERGY, INC. BLK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) DRILL Well# 6 FISHER 3, 1100 FNL 1650 FWL, SEC 24 BLK A34, PSL/ MRS B FISHER SUR., A-1927 5100'. 10 NW ANDREWS

RING ENERGY, INC. BLK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) DRILL Well# 13 FISHER C, 2310 FNL 330 FEL, SEC 23 BLK A36, PSL/MRS B FISHER SUR., A-1925 5100'. 10 NW ANDREWS

RING ENERGY, INC. BLK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) DRILL Well# 3 FISHER 5, 990 FSL 1650 FWL, SEC 24 BLK A34, PSL/MRS B FISHER SUR., A-1928 5100'. 10 NW ANDREWS

RING ENERGY, INC. BLK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) DRILL Well# 14 FISHER B, 1654 FNL 330 FEL, SEC 25 BLK A34, PSL/MRS B FISHER SUR., A-1931 5100'. 10 NW ANDREWS

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SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 5 UNIVERSITY 38B, 330 FWL 1650 FSL, SEC 38 BLK 13, UL SUR. 5200'. 9 NW ANDREWS

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 7 UNIVERSITY 38, 990 FWL 1650 FNL, SEC 38 BLK 13, UL SUR. 5200'. 9 NW ANDREWS

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 3 UNIVERSITY 13-34, 330 FNL 1650 FEL, SEC 34 BLK 13, UL SUR. 5200'. 10 SW ANDREWS

Crane County

BURLINGTON RES O&G CO.-MIDLAND SAND HILLS (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL Well# 2033 WN WADDELL ET AL, 1860 FNL 2600 FWL, SEC 12 BLK B21, PSL/WN WADDELL & CO SUR., A-1244 6150'. 21 NW CRANE

BURLINGTON RES O&G CO.-MIDLAND SAND HILLS (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL Well# 2031 WN WADDELL ET AL, 1742 FNL 1280 FWL, SEC 12 BLK B21, PSL/WN WADDELL & CO SUR., A-1244 6160', 21 NW CRANE

DEVON ENERGY PROD. CO., LP S JORDAN (CLEAR-FORK) (O) (HORZ) (RECOMP) Well# 1H UNIVERSITY 35-14, 477 FSL 2136 FWL, SEC 14 BLK 35, UNIV LAND SUR. 9000', 20 NW CRANE

DEVON ENERGY PROD. CO., LP DUNE DRILL (INJ) Well# 34D STATE EG, 1853 FSL 1550 FEL, SEC 10 BLK 30, UL SUR., A-U10 15000', 9 NW CRANE

MIDENERGY OPERATING, LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 306 EDWARDS, 1980 FSL 660 FWL, SEC 8 BLK 43 T4S, T&P/ MRS AG CURTIS SUR., A-498 12500', 17 SE CRANE

Culberson County

BHP BILLITON PET (TXLA OP) CO. PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1 HORSESHOESPRINGS STATE 113-10, 211 FNL 2310 FEL, SEC 10 BLK 113, PSL/HT COLLIER SUR., A-5093 14000', 15 SW ORLA

CIMAREX ENERGY CO. W FORD (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4H SHUT OUT 9 UNIT, 210 FSL 580 FWL, SEC 9 BLK 59 T1S, T&P SUR., A-2690 9714', 18 SW ORLA

CIMAREX ENERGY CO. W FORD (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H GALLANT FOX LL 37 UNIT, 210 FSL 2338 FEL, SEC 37 BLK 59 T1S, T&P SUR., A-2704 10850', 13 NW ORLA

COG OPERATING, LLC SANDBAR (BONE SPRNG) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 603H DEETS, 10 FSL 1917 FWL, SEC 6 BLK 59 T1S, T&P/WE BROWN SUR., A-4771 8000', 62 N KENT

Ector County

BC OPERATING, INC. GOLDSMITH (CLRFRK) (O/G) DRILL Well# 9 LOUISA, 940 FNL 862 FWL, SEC 36 BLK 44 T1N, T&P/O CAIN SUR., A-701 7250', 2 NE GOLDSMITH

BC OPERATING, INC. GOLDSMITH (CLRFRK) (O/G) DRILL Well# 6 JAKE, 990 FNL 1650 FEL, SEC 24 BLK 44 T1N, T&P SUR., A-653 7250', 3 NE GOLDSMITH

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD. GOLDSMITH (CLRFRK) (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 690 GOLDSMITH-LANDRETH / DEEP/ UNIT, 560 FSL 1307 FWL, SEC 8 BLK A, PSL/WA MEADOR SUR., A-1158 6800', 6 NW GOLDSMITH

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC GOLDSMITH (O) (RECOMP) Well# 2 CVX 1, 348 FEL 982 FSL, SEC 1 BLK 45 T2S, T&P SUR., A-381 6300', 10 SW GOLDSMITH

XTO ENERGY INC. GOLDSMITH (CLRFRK) (O) DRILL Well# 2332 CA GOLDSMITH ET AL, 2055 FNL 1430 FEL, SEC 16 BLK 44 T1S, T&P/ WA BEATY SUR., A-687 6710'. 3 S GOLDSMITH

XTO ENERGY INC. GOLDSMITH (CLRFRK) (O) DRILL Well# 2333 CA GOLDSMITH ET AL, 1205 FNL 800 FWL, SEC 15 BLK 44 T1S, T&P SUR., A-277 6700'. 2 S GOLDSMITH

XTO ENERGY INC. GOLDSMITH (CLRFRK) (O) DRILL Well# 2334 CA GOLDSMITH ET AL, 1245 FNL 2040 FEL, SEC 15 BLK 44 T1S, T&P SUR., A-277 6680'. 2 S GOLDSMITH

Glasscock County

APACHE CORPORATION SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 5 KESTREL 38, 1140 FNL 748 FEL, SEC 38 BLK 34 T4S, T&P/ W BUCHANAN SUR., A-873 10800', 6 E GARDEN CITY

APACHE CORPORATION SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 AMBERJACK 39, 645 FNL 1255 FWL, SEC 39 BLK 33 T2S, T&P SUR., A-118 10600'. 12 E GARDEN CITY

APACHE CORPORATION SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 9 HEIDI 37, 467 FSL 1980 FEL, SEC 37 BLK 34 T4S, T&P SUR., A-259 10700', 6 E GARDEN CITY

APACHE CORPORATION SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3H MACK 8 UNIT, 200 FNL 2055 FWL, SEC 8 BLK 33 T3S, T&P/JG CARTER SUR., A-705 9600', 4 E GARDEN CITY

APACHE CORPORATION SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 MACK 8 UNIT, 1111 FNL 1303 FWL, SEC 8 BLK 33 T3S, T&P/ JG CARTER SUR., A-705 10600'. 4 E GARDEN CITY

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORP. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 201H SAN SABA AW, 1160 FSL 2400 FWL, SEC 37 BLK 34 T5S, T&P SUR., A-283 8500'. 14 SE GARDEN CITY

J. CLEO THOMPSON SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 7 ABEL, 1980 FNL 660 FEL, SEC 16 BLK 35, T&P SUR. 10450', 16 NW GARDEN CITY

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LAREDO PETROLEUM, INC. S GARDEN CITY(WLFCMP) (O/G) DRILL Well# 7 LPI-DRIVER 28, 2513 FSL 642 FEL, SEC 28 BLK 34 T4S, T&P/WR CHANEY SUR., A-948 12000', 4 SW GARDEN CITY

LAREDO PETROLEUM, INC. S GARDEN CITY(WLFCMP) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 LPI-ARCHER 39, 1980 FNL 660 FEL, SEC 39 BLK 34 T4S, T&P SUR., A-260 12000', 5 S GARDEN CITY

LAREDO PETROLEUM, INC. S GARDEN CITY(WLFCMP) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 NEAL-BOXCAR 46, 2080 FSL 1980 FEL, SEC 46 BLK 33 T3S, T&P/J CURRIE SUR., A-743 12000', 4 NE GARDEN CITY

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (INJ) Well# 1D COOK E A, 2493 FNL 467 FEL, SEC 20 BLK 35 T4S, T&P/M HALFF SUR., A-1252 4800'. 10 SW GARDEN CITY

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 NEWMAN A, 660 FNL 1980 FEL, SEC 1 BLK 36 T2S, T&P SUR., A-380 11100'. 21 NW GARDEN CITY

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC HOWARD GLASSCOCK (O) DRILL Well# 302R HOWARD W GLASSCOCK (G-S) UNIT, 327 FSL 1096 FEL, SEC 15 BLK 33 T2S, T&P SUR., A-108 3000', 15 N GARDEN CITY

THREE RIVERS OPER. CO. II LLC AZALEA (DEVONIAN) (O) DRILL Well# 941 WOODY A, 660 FWL 660 FSL, SEC 9 BLK 36 T3S, T&P SUR., A-396 11500', 17 NW GARDEN CITY

TRILOGY OPERATING INC. PAUL PAGE (ATOKA) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 SYDNEY, 542 FNL 1980 FEL, SEC 188 BLK 29, W&NW/JH DAVIS SUR., A-670 11000', 13 NE GARDEN CITY

Howard County

APACHE CORPORATION SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 WOLF 21, 781 FNL 1005 FEL, SEC 21 BLK 27, H&TC SUR., A-28 7700', 12 NW COAHOMA

APACHE CORPORATION SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 32 FRANCES GUNN, 2398 FSL 879 FWL, SEC 20 BLK 27, H&TC/ WV RUTLEDGE SUR., A-1351 7600'. 14 NW COAHOMA

ATHLON FE OPERATING LLC HILL RANCH (MISS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 WALKER 32, 2381 FSL 1218 FEL, SEC 32 BLK 31 T2N, T&P/ WM STEWART SUR., A-1197 9500', 12 NE BIG SPRING

BREITBURN OPERATING LP CEDAR FLATS (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 10 BEALL 18A, 467 FEL 2162 FNL, SEC 18 BLK 33 T2N, T&P/CR SCOTT SUR., A-1090 10459'. 1 N KNOTT

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO. DEADWOOD (FUSSELMAN) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 MORGAN RANCH 34, 960 FSL 1550 FEL, SEC 34 BLK 32 T1S, T&P/ WE MOODY SUR., A-1158 9800'. 7 SE BIG SPRING

HADAWAY CONSULT & ENGINEER LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (36)(37) Well# 1 SLKT, 467 FSL 2170 FEL, SEC 43 BLK 33 T3N, T&P SUR., A-355 10500', 3 N KNOTT

THREE RIVERS OPER. CO. II LLC PAUL PAGE (ATOKA) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3743 STALLINGS ADKINS, 660 FSL 1980 FEL, SEC 97 BLK 35 T1S, T&P SUR., A-542 11000', 10 W ELBOW

THREE RIVERS OPER. CO. II LLC MOORE (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 3023 STALLINGS, 1980 FNL 1980 FEL, SEC 30 BLK 33 T1N, T&P/ JJ PHILLIPS JR SUR., A-1080 10700', 3 W BIG SPRING

THREE RIVERS OPER. CO. II LLC MOORE (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 2444 GUTHRIE WEST, 660 FSL 660 FEL, SEC 24 BLK 34 T1S, T&P/JN CAUBLE SUR., A-1534 10600', 3 W ELBOW

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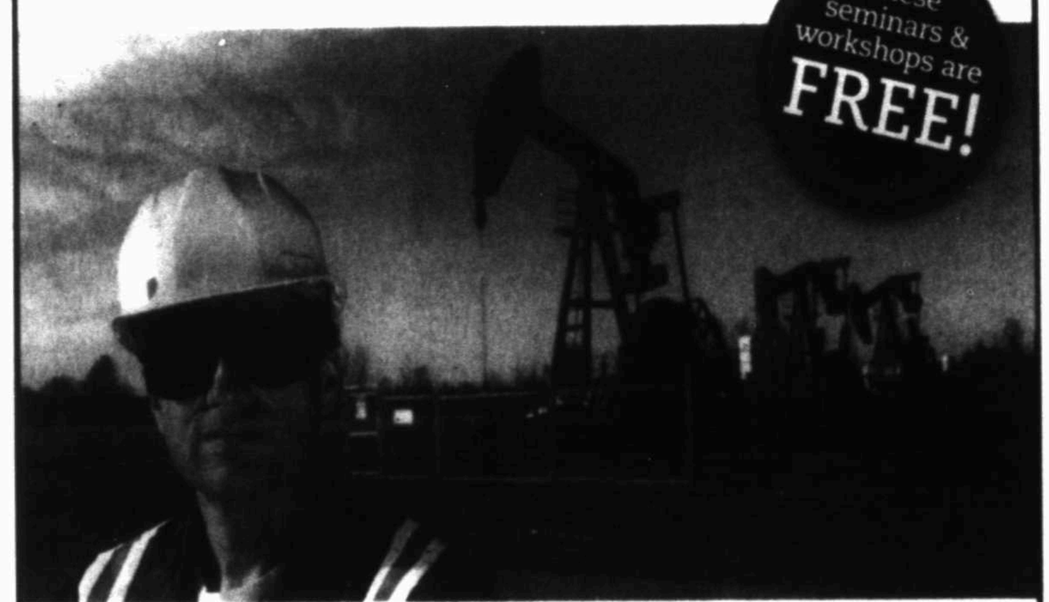
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ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H YELLOW BEAR, 2063 FNL 1975 FEL, SEC 15 BLK C24, PSL/GS BRUNSON SUR., A-999 14000', 19 NW KERMIT

RKI E&P, LLC SANDBAR (BONE SPRNG) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H CBR 44, 175 FNL 1902 FEL, SEC 44 BLK 56 T1, T&P/WD JOHNSON SUR., A-1295 16000'. 3 NE ORLA

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US energy boom demands $641B in infrastructure, study finds

Jennifer A. Dlouhy
Houston Chronicle

Companies will need to invest $641 billion over the next two decades in pipelines, pumps and other infrastructure to keep up with the gas, crude oil and natural gas liquids flowing from U.S. fields, according to a study released Tuesday.

The analysis, prepared by ICF International for two natural gas advocacy groups, predicts that $30 billion worth of new midstream infrastructure will be needed each year through 2035 — triple the $10 billion in average annual investments over the past decade.

"We're in a heavy growth period right now, said Kevin Petak, an economist with ICF who authored the study. "The next six years appears to be a pretty heavy period for expenditure and investment."

Almost half of the projected spending — $14.2 billion per year — will be needed to accommodate new natural gas supplies and connect new shale plays with existing infrastructure and yet-to-be-built facilities, according to the report. The nation will need 35,000 miles of new transmission pipelines and 303,000 miles of gas gathering lines, the study found.

It also found that many of the gas pipeline projects will span shorter distances than projected in an earlier 2011 analysis, though the overall level of investment is similar because of climbing pipeline costs.

The analysis was co-sponsored by America's Natural Gas Alliance and the INGAA Foundation, an advocacy group founded by the Interstate Natural Gas Association of America.

New pipelines envisioned in the report could carry natural gas that now is flared off when it's produced along with more valuable crude, particularly in Montana and North Dakota where gas infrastructure is sparse.

Obama administration officials and energy companies are looking for ways to rein in gas flaring. Producers would rather sell the fuel, and flaring sends greenhouse gas emissions into the atmosphere.

The report also comes as regulators, environmentalists and other stakeholders boost their scrutiny of infrastructure projects that are facilitating today's drilling boom by linking oil and gas development with customers.

The analysis backs the oil and gas industry's assertion that the domestic energy boom is good economic news for the country, projecting that the midstream infrastructure spending will generate 432,000 jobs and $300 billion in tax revenue in the United States and Canada.

The study predicts growing natural gas consumption in the two nations — about 1.2 percent extra per year through 2035 — along with increasing natural gas exports. ICF projects U.S. and Canadian facilities will be able to liquefy and export 9 billion cubic feet per day of natural gas to other countries, in addition to 5 billion cubic feet per day of gas sent by pipeline to Mexico.

ICF based its projection on the assumption that the price of North American natural gas will average about $6 per million British thermal units, in 2012 dollars. In closed at $4.46, down 8 cents, in Tuesday trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Besides investing to deliver natural gas, the study predicts, companies will have to pour $12.4 billion per year into crude oil infrastructure, including pipelines, valves, manifolds and separators, and another $2.5 billion into infrastructure associated with natural gas liquids such as ethane, butane and propane.

Most of the pipeline capacity for natural gas liquids — 3.2 million barrels a day — will be needed by 2020, according to the projections.

If spending falls short, it could constrain oil and gas development, the report warns.

MEETING

NGPA to hear about geophysics advancements

Members of the Natural Gas Producer's Association will meet Thursday at the Petroleum Club at 11:30 a.m.

Steve Jumper, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Dawson Geophysical, will discuss the latest developments in geophysics in the Permian Basin.

There is no charge for members, $20 for guests. Reservations should be made by noon Monday by calling 770-5956 or by email at mic2012kms@gmail.com.

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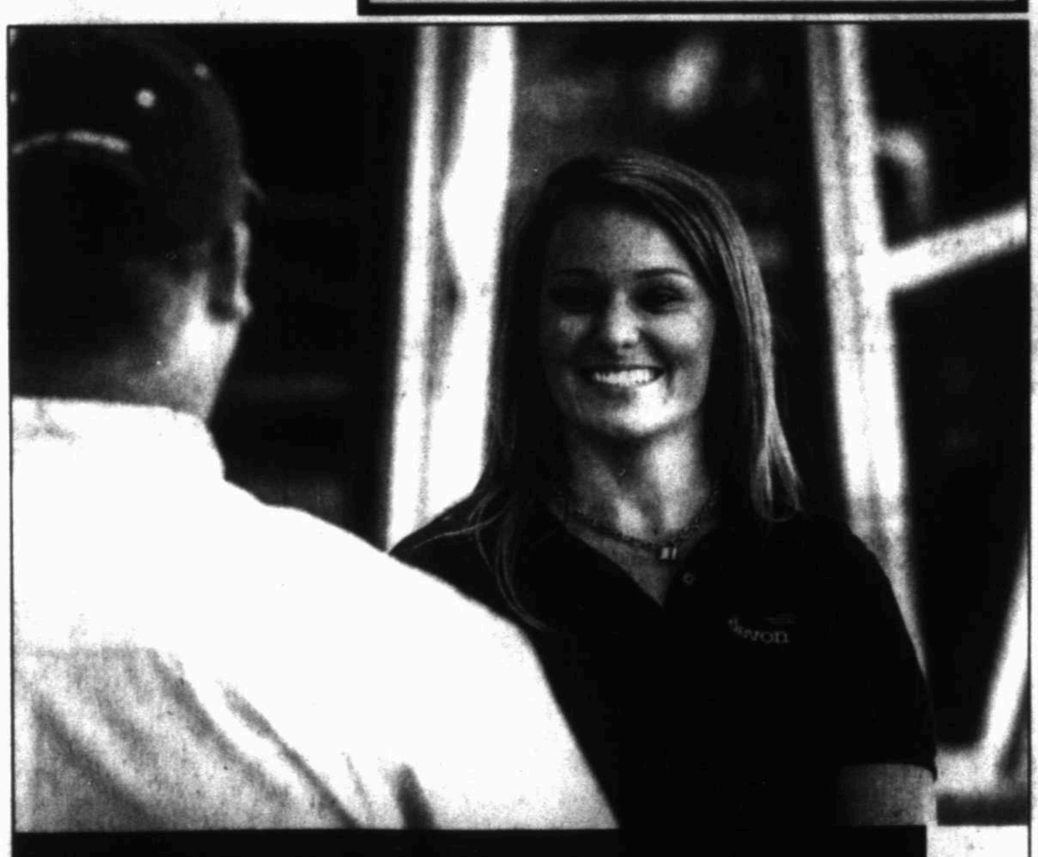
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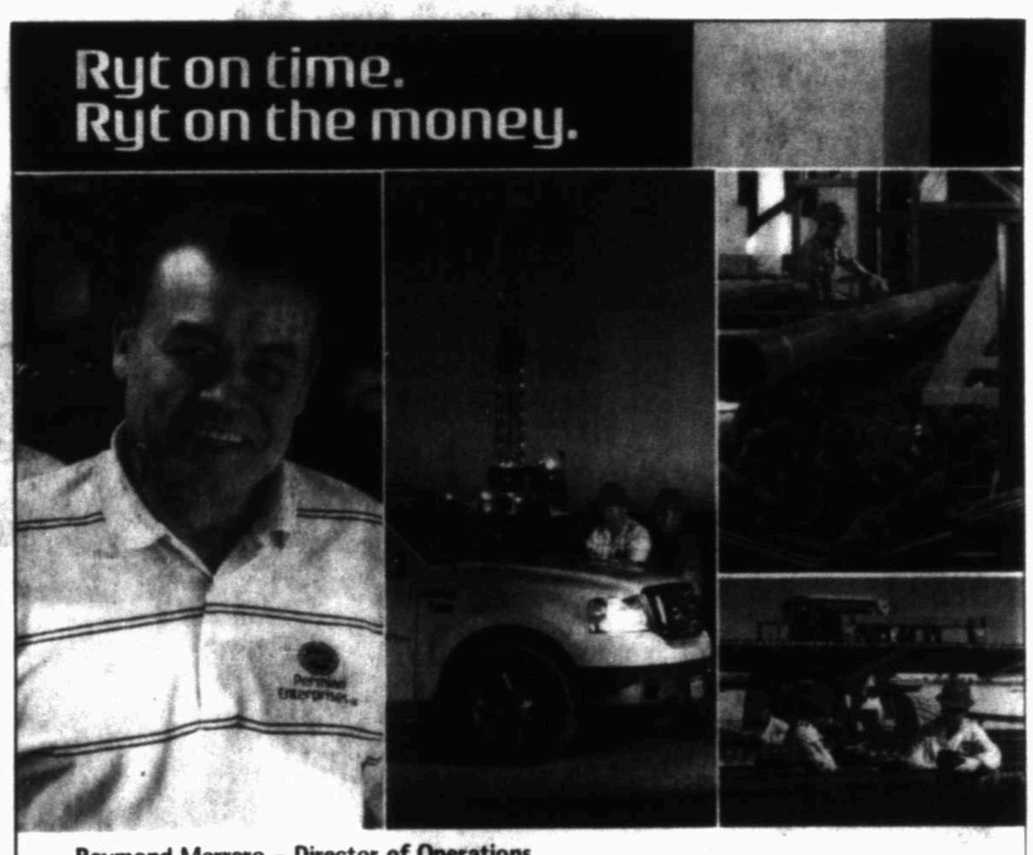
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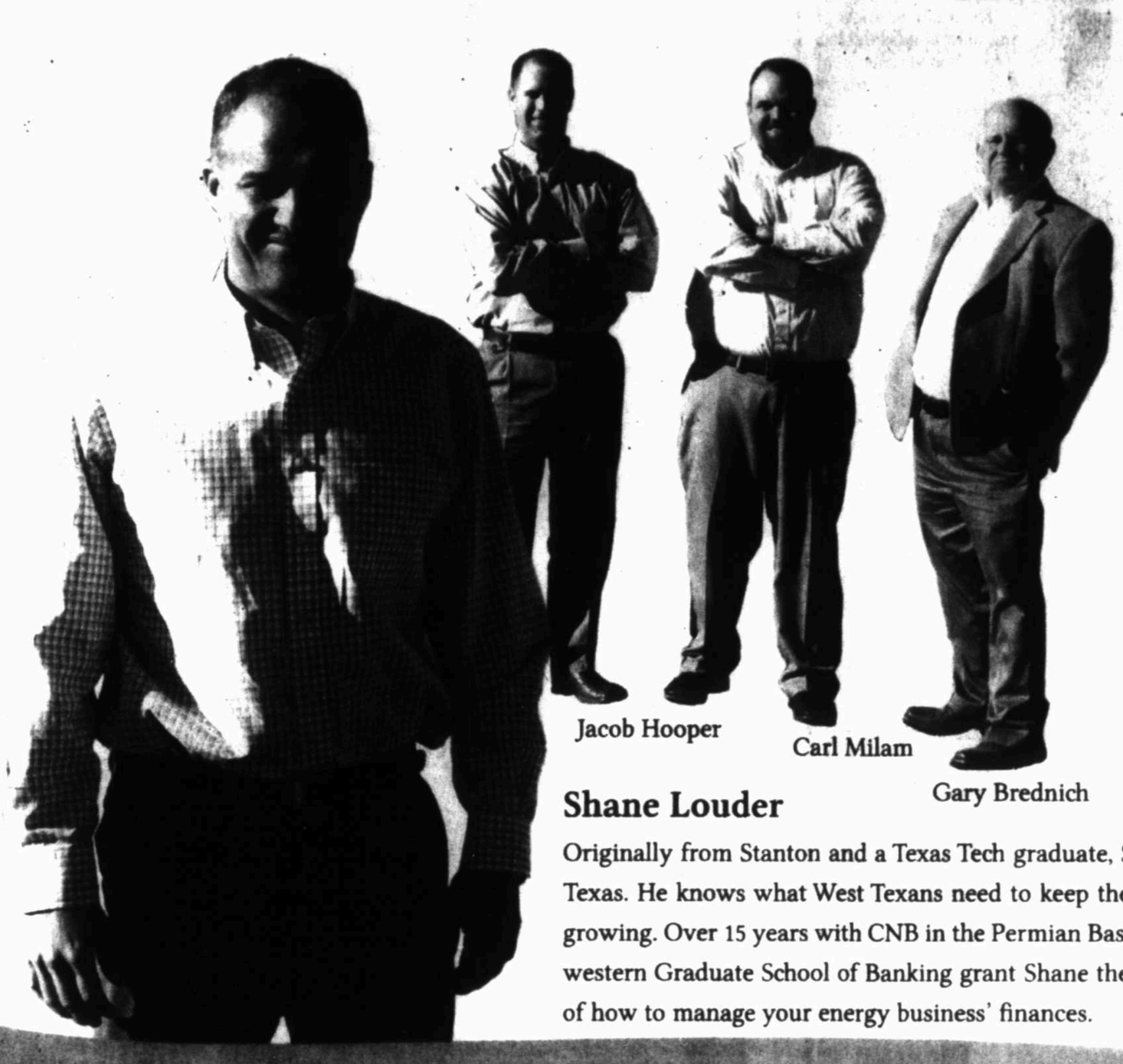
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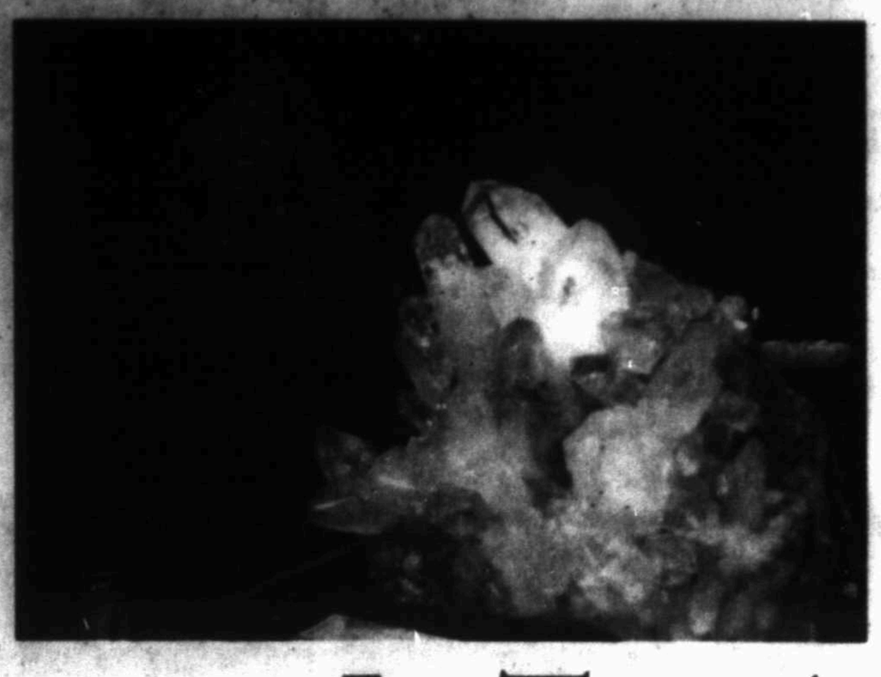
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Kathy Shannon is the executive director of the Permian Basin Petroleum Museum.

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WOMEN IN THE ARTS
MUSEUMS

Executive director's passion for education shines at Petroleum Museum

Editor's note: March is Women's History Month, and to celebrate, the Reporter-Telegram is highlighting a handful of Midland women who are making significant contributions to the local arts and entertainment scene. Women in the Arts stories will run every Sunday in the Arts section.

By Ragini Venkatasubban
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As you walk into Kathy Shannon's office at the Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, you're greeted by her large gray parrot cooing at you from a cage on the wall. When she takes you on a tour around the museum, she'll stop in the animal department to pet an iguana, greet the guinea pigs by name and tell you all about the snakes and chinchillas.

It's clear Shannon's first love is still education as she's climbed the ranks from education director to executive director of the museum over the past 19 years. It's almost second nature to her as she describes each exhibit and speaks passionately about teaching children and adults about science and petroleum in West Texas.

"The animals are a big draw — you can pull kids in with the chinchillas, the iguanas, the snakes — talk about their habitats, how important it is that you take care of them," she said. "I think the thing museums have to offer is that hands-on learning experience. It's an overused term, but they get to learn by doing rather than reading."

A native Midlander, Shannon grew up with a love for all the arts West Texas has to offer. She worked and volunteered at Haley Memorial Library, the Commemorative Air Force and the Museum of the Southwest. She obtained a bachelor's degree in interior design from Texas Tech University, a discipline that's paid off in her museum career.

"The first art class I took in college was an overall interior design course, and I loved it," she said. "Doing that class was what made me think, 'This is what I want to do.' It comes in handy when we set up exhibits. I know how to read blueprints; I know what floor plans look like."

Shannon's tenure at the Petroleum Museum began in 1995 when she was hired as the director of education. She advanced to executive director in 2004. She's most proud of spearheading the museum's campaign to build an education hall in 2006.

"I came from education, and that education hall had always been a dream of mine," she said. "We needed a place where we could actually hold our classes and keep all our stuff. It always was a dream to have a true place for everyone to focus."

As Shannon walks through the museum's exhibits — the Mineral Gallery, the Chaparral Racing Cars Gallery and a gallery about the history of petroleum and energy in the Permian Basin — she describes each one in detail, right down to which minerals are on display and how the Permian Basin has evolved over the years. Even as executive director, she remains mindful to the small details

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Meet the Artist
5 questions with Cory Alexander



Cory Alexander is the artistic director for the Allegro Chorale. He also serves as director of choral activities at UTPB. He and the chorale performed Monday at the opening of the Russian Icons Imperial Treasures Exhibit at the Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd. in Odessa.

MRT: Who are your Russian heroes?

Alexander: Tchaikovsky is certainly among the most well-known Russian composers. However, I would have to say that Dimitri Shostakovich showed more heroism than most, due to his accomplishments in the face of limitations imposed on him in the USSR during the 20th century.

MRT: Describe your ideal last meal.

Alexander: My ideal last meal would include dessert. I have an enormous sweet tooth.

MRT: What's your proudest musical achievement?

Alexander: My proudest achievements aren't professional, and I am especially proud of that. I have a great marriage and a wonderful daughter and I could not be more proud than I am of those two things.

MRT: What's your secret indulgence?

Alexander: See number 2.

MRT: If you plugged your iPhone into your car stereo, what would we hear?

Alexander: You'd hear Philippe Herreweghe's 1999 recording of Bach's "St. Matthew Passion." It's Lent, after all.

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Blue Max is official Texas venue for Last Honky Tonk Series

By Rich Lopez
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In its inaugural career, the Last Honky Tonk Music Series proves to be beneficial for West Texas. The series selects one venue in various states (29 so far) to host roots music bands. Of all the cities in Texas, Midland will be the host town. That is a win for the city that has been steadily increasing its live music cred in the recent past. And as the hosting venue, the Blue Max will do the honors as a variety of artists make their way to its stage.

The series starts here Monday with Owen Mays, The Ditchrunners and Bob Wayne and the Outlaw Carnies, although the official launch date is Saturday at Bobby Mackey's Music

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On display at the Museum of the Southwest: "Pulled, Pressed and Screened: Important American Prints," a traveling exhibition from the Syracuse University Art Collection, through April 20.

CALENDAR

Compiled from staff reports and from the Arts Council of Midland

SUNDAY

Junior League of Midland's Shotguns & Stilettos Spring Fling Market, today at the Horseshoe. midlandhorseshoe.com

The Peddler Show, today at Midland Center. peddlershow.com

MONDAY

Concho/Sibley Brown Bag Series featuring Dr. Diane Post discussing "The Adaptation of Wildlife to Human-dominated Habitat," Monday at the Sibley Nature Center. sibleynaturecenter.org.

Tall City Cloggers dances, every Monday at M-Squarena. Call Lynn Myers at 697-6416 or danznfool@grandecom.net

TUESDAY

Basin PBS' "The Story of the Jews" five-part series parts 1 & 2 beginning at 7 p.m. Historian, author and critic Simon Schama explores the Jewish experience from ancient times to the present day. basinpbs.org

Midland Community Band's weekly meeting, 7-9 p.m. at Midland College Fine Arts Building Band Hall. New members always welcome. Call Walter McClure at 260-7136.

Marfa Public Radio's "Nature Notes," 8:35 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. every Tuesday-Thursday. KXWT-Midland/Odessa-91.3 FM.

Palette Club's painting time, 9 a.m.-noon Tuesdays. Meeting and demo scheduled on second Tuesday of the month. 664-3197.

Permian Basin Dance Club with live country-western band, 7:30-10 p.m. Tuesday at St. Stephen's Catholic Church ballroom, 4601 Neely Ave. Members $5, non-members $6. Alcohol- and smoke-free environment. 520-4343 or 218-8215.

Sibley Nature Center's "Antarctica" program, 11:45 a.m. at Crestview Baptist Church. 684-6827 or info@sibleynaturecenter.org

Sibley Nature Center's Permian Basin Outing Club meeting, 6 p.m. at Murray's Deli. 684-6827 or info@sibleynaturecenter.org

4-H Photography Club meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Sibley Nature Center. 684-6827 or info@sibleynaturecenter.org

THURSDAY

Thursday Night Dance Club of Odessa with music by Showdown, 7:30-10 p.m. at 301 E. 61st St in Odessa. 697-0281.

Eva Stachniak Skype reading from "Empress of the Night," 5:30 p.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. www.co.midland.tx.us/lib.

Permian Basin Outing Club trip to Guadalupe Mountains National Park and Carlsbad Caverns National Park, Thursday through March 30. 684-6827 or info@sibleynaturecenter.org

FRIDAY

Midland Community Theatre's "The Complete Works of William Shakespeare: Abridged," Matinee at 2 p.m., evening performances at 8 p.m. in Mabee Theatre II, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. Recommended for 12 and up.

Maverick Players present "Dearly Beloved," through March 30 at VFW Hall. Matinee performances at 2 p.m. and evening performances at 8 p.m. maverickplayers.org.

Petroleum Museum's Brown Bag Lunch & Lecture Series with Bill Bynum speaking on "Underwater Photography-Papau, New Guinea," 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Free admission. Drinks and dessert provided. petroleummuseum.org

Gem and Mineral Society meeting, 6:30 p.m. at Sibley Nature Center. 684-6827 or info@sibleynaturecenter.org

SATURDAY

The Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale: Vintage Harmony Fundraiser featuring the art of Baron Batch at the Permian Basin Petroleum Museum. www.mosc.org

Trisha Yearwood at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

Curtis Grimes at fundraiser for Permian Playhouse and West Texas Talent, 7:30 p.m. at Permian Playhouse. westtexastalent.com.

Sibley Spring Plant Sale, 9 a.m. at Sibley Nature Center. sibleynaturecenter.org.

Furr-Ever Paws & Claws Clay Shoot for Midland Humane Coalition at Jake's Clays. jakesclays.com.

United Blood Services Bloodgusher race at Fasken Office Complex. bloodgusherraces.tripod.com.

The Junior League of Midland's Buckshot Bash with Stoney LaRue at CAF. jlmidland.org

SAVE THE DATE

Arts Council of Midland's 31st annual Celebration of the Arts is April 4-5.

ON DISPLAY

ArtQuest Studios' reserved studio time. $35 per month. 700 Andrews Highway. heronartconnection@sbcglobal.net, 553-0420, www.artquesttx.com.

Blakemore Planetarium's permanent exhibits are open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Closed Sunday and Monday. Sky shows throughout the week. 1705 W. Missouri Ave. 683-2882.

The Ellen Noël Art Museum's exhibit "Russian Icons: Imperial Treasures" through May 17. Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free. www.noelartmuseum.org. 550-9696.

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum's "Print It! The Art of Making Multiples" through today. Permanent exhibits include "My Town," "Beach Babies" and "Touch of Sound." Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m., Admission charged. 1705 W. Missouri Ave., 683-2882.

George Bush Childhood Home's tours and gift shop hours are 2-5 p.m. Sundays and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturdays. Admission charged. 1412 W. Ohio Ave., 685-1112

Haley Library and History Center's hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Free. 1805 W. Indiana Ave. 682-5785

Midland Arts Association presents artwork of Richard Reese in the Community National Bank Lobby, 401 W. Texas Ave. during March.

Midland County Historical Museum's exhibit honoring World War II veterans in cooperation with the Texas Historical Commission's three-year program. Permanent exhibits: Native American artifacts; early Midland photos and relics; replica of Midland Man discovery; early obituary files available for research, 301 W. Missouri Ave. 2-5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Free. 682-2931 or 688-8947.

Midland County Historical Society's Z. Taylor Brown-Sara Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland. Open by appointment. 213 N. Weatherford St., 682-5447.

Museum of the Southwest's exhibits: "Pulled, Pressed and Screened: Important American Prints," a traveling exhibition from the Syracuse University Art Collection, through April 20. Barnaby Fitzgerald's "Moments, Still Lives and Figures" through today. "Estamos Aqui (We are Here)" through today.

Permanent exhibits: Taos Master: Taos Society of Artists collection. MSW Sculpture Park has 14 sculptures on display. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. $5 adults, $3 children. 1705 W. Missouri Ave., 683-2882.

Nancy Fyfe Cardozier Gallery, UTPB exhibit: Constituents work by Rebecca Hermann through April 13. Free and open to the public. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 2-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Options Gallery, Odessa College, 201 W. University Blvd. Free. 335-6640.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, Library and Hall of Fame is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 2-5 p.m. Sunday, 1500 Interstate 20 West, 683-4403.

Scarborough-Lineberry House is open by appointment and available for rental for weddings and other special occasions. 802 S. Main St. 685-7368

Arts Council of Midland maintains a calendar of all submitted arts-related activities. To submit events see use form from www.acmidland.org.

Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

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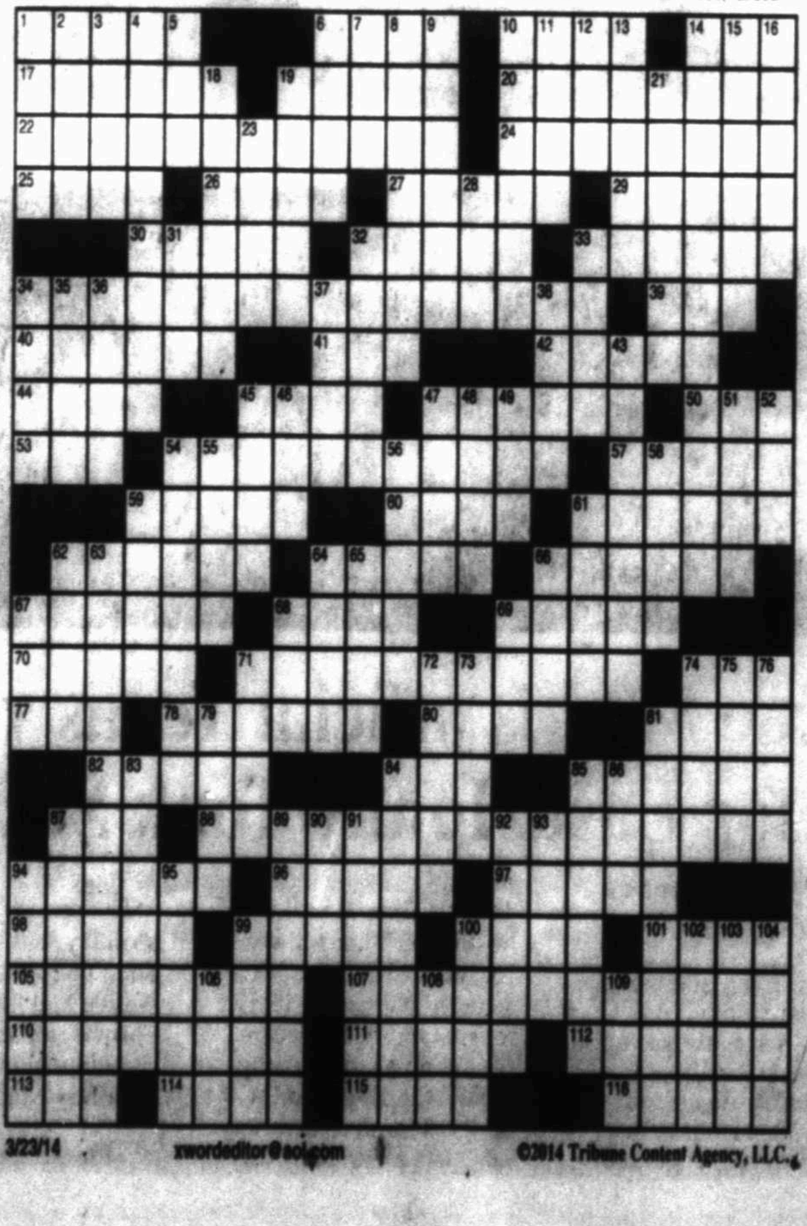
"CALL ME" By ANNEMARIE BRETHAUER

ACROSS

1 Matter of faith
6 Statutes
10 Plays the harpy
14 Puckish sort
17 Brooks Robinson, notably
19 John's 2008 running mate
20 Schubert classic
22 Precursor to reality shows like "Punkd"
24 Least likely to make a faux pas
25 Blackthorn fruit
26 Beach feature
27 Terri<: s small room, maybe
29 Comes in last
30 Sploshed
32 Apothecary's bottle
33 Guard
34 "Oh, I give up!"
39 Singer Grant
40 Plant sometimes called a false shamrock
41 Australia's lang.
42 intimate
44 __ Martin Cognac
45 Collar target
47 Hank who voices Moe Szyslak
50 Soup holder
53 "Annie" couple?
54 Unlikely job for one with acrophobia?
57 Pet shop purchase
59 Perch
60 Spinner in the wind
61 Fell from grace
62 Slide preparations
64 North Pole explorer
66 Straightened (up)
67 "Walk on By" singer Warwick
68 Narrated
69 Honda, even in reverse?
70 Reporter assigned to a peloton, e.g.
71 Deceptive action
74 Dancer Charisse
77 Mario Kart console
78 Lampoon
80 Shells out
81 Botanical balm
82 Bath sponge
84 A pop
85 Seal, in a way
87 Girl o' my heart
88 1952 Groucho Marx film
94 Many a cottonwood
96 River nymph
97 Solo
98 Rose pest
99 Colorado resort
100 Smart __
101 Nimbus
105 Most fair
107 General Lee, in "The Dukes of Hazzard"
110 Sexy sleepwear
111 "Silas Marner" novelist
112 Lacing aid
113 Opposite of six, on a die
114 Gather
115 Phoned
116 Uplift

DOWN

1 Severinsen and a dwarf
2 Spoken
3 Futurist painter Severini
4 Without pretension
5 "Fight of the Century" contender
6 Barely believable
7 "__ such stuff / As dreams are made on" Shak.
8 Wild African pig
9 "Funny Girl" actor
10 Italia seaport
11 Stratford's river
12 Brylcreem, e.g.
13 Request at a sitting
14 "That proves it"
15 King novel
16 Sitting duck
18 Swirling currents
19 __ Domingo
21 Without a key
23 Select
28 Edible tuber
31 Upsilon follower
32 __ code
33 "Ice Road Truckers" truck
34 Links cry
35 Team in a field
36 Ewes' gays
37 Second in command
38 Starfleet captain
43 Legendary attendant of Charlemagne
45 Own (up)
46 "Never __ Me Go": Kazuo Ishiguro novel
47 Slightly open
48 Screwball
49 Lowest gin card
51 Secondhand
52 Prof's degree
54 What's-his-face
55 Went like the dickens
56 Skirt
58 Really amazing, to a dude
59 Artist Magritte
61 Not taped
62 __ Valley, Calif.
63 Where the ends of 22-, 34-, 54-, 71-, 88- and 107-Across and 14-Down can be found
64 Slipshod
65 Actress Sommer
66 Binds
67 Web revealer
68 "OMG, stop telling me all this!"
69 Call out
71 Doe's beau
72 Use
73 Give a hoot
74 "Pinocchio" goldfish
75 "In __ Eyes": Peter Gabriel hit
76 Agcy.
79 Miles off
81 Stood before the court
83 Flashing flirtatious looks
84 Self-playing instrument
85 Lozenge
86 Writer Rand
87 Ribbed fabric
89 Keeping up (with)
90 Kool Moe Dee genre
91 German ballads
92 Worker with many keys
93 Fridge juice Abbr.
94 Cellist Casals
95 One doing sums
99 Cambodia setting
100 All aflutter
102 Hybrid citrus fruit
103 Snorkeling site
104 Affectedly cultured
106 Before, to Byron
108 Continuous babble
109 "I see," at sea



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GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Esther triumphant!

Neither vulnerable. West deals.

NORTH
♠ A K Q J 6
♡ J 7 2
◇ 5
♣ Q 9 7 4

FRED
♠ 9 8 7 3
♡ 10 3
◇ Void
♣ A K J 6 5 3 2

ESTHER
♠ 5 2
♡ K 6
◇ A K Q J 10 9 8 7 4
♣ Void

SOUTH
♠ 10 4
♡ A Q 9 8 5 4
◇ 6 3 2
♣ 10 8

The bidding:

FRED	NORTH	ESTHER	SOUTH
3♣	3♠	4♢	4♡
Dbl	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: Ace of ♣

Fred greatly enjoyed his game at the club last month, so he was back for more. Fred had no idea whether or not he could beat four hearts, but the thought of watching Esther declare five diamonds when he had a void was more than he could bear. He doubled to keep Esther from bidding again.

Esther hated the thought of not rebidding her diamonds, but she knew better than to remove a penalty double by Fred!

Fred cashed his ace and king of clubs for the first two tricks. Esther knew Fred would be furious if she trumped one of his high clubs, and she couldn't bear to discard any of her magnificent diamonds, so she parted with her two low spades on the first two tricks. Fred shifted to a spade at trick three. Esther thought this over, but she ruffed and shifted triumphantly to her ace of diamonds to defeat the contract!

Ever the gentleman, Fred said, "Excuse me," as he ruffed his partner's ace to play another spade. Esther ruffed this also for a two-trick set. Note that five diamonds would have failed by the same two tricks.

"Nice defense, Esther," said Fred. Esther was ecstatic. Another compliment from Fred!

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, March 23, 2014:

This year you open up to new possibilities. After having discussions with the right people, you will be able to develop a new interest. **CAPRICORN** likes to show his or her authority over others.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ Opt for a late movie with an older friend. For some of you, making an appearance could be more important than what you are doing. Tonight: A must appearance.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ Realize what is happening between you and someone else. You will recognize how important this individual is to you. Tonight: In the thick of the moment.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Others will toss a challenge at you that you'll want to run with. Recognize the results of pushing yourself too hard. Tonight: Make it just the two of you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ You might have gone beyond the call of duty in handling responsibilities and helping others out. Tonight: Be with the one who makes you smile.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Someone might become argumentative. How you handle this person could be more important than you realize. Tonight: Know when to kick off your shoes.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ Pressure from a parent or roommate could drive you wild. You might choose to have an argument, but ask yourself whether it would be helpful. Tonight: Make nice.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Listen to the drumbeats. Stop acting on impulse. Pausing and rethinking your goals will help you stay more levelheaded. Tonight: Be a couch potato.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Overindulging is a well-known characteristic of your sign, especially when wanting to evade certain emotions and/or situations. Tonight: Chat up a storm.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ Taking a risk happens more easily with you than with many other signs. Weigh the pros and cons. Tonight: Your treat.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ You might create a quarrel in order to distance yourself from someone. Your sense of humor will emerge. You do understand where this person is coming from. Tonight: Be around music.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ News could be provocative. Before you say or do anything, root out the issue surrounding the stress or opt for a stress-reducing experience. Tonight: Think "tomorrow."

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Invite friends to join you to see a movie. Getting together afterward also could add to the moment. Tonight: Help a loved one relax.

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BORN TODAY

Psychologist Erich Fromm (1900), painter Juan Gris (1887), actress/dancer Joan Crawford (1905)

ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE

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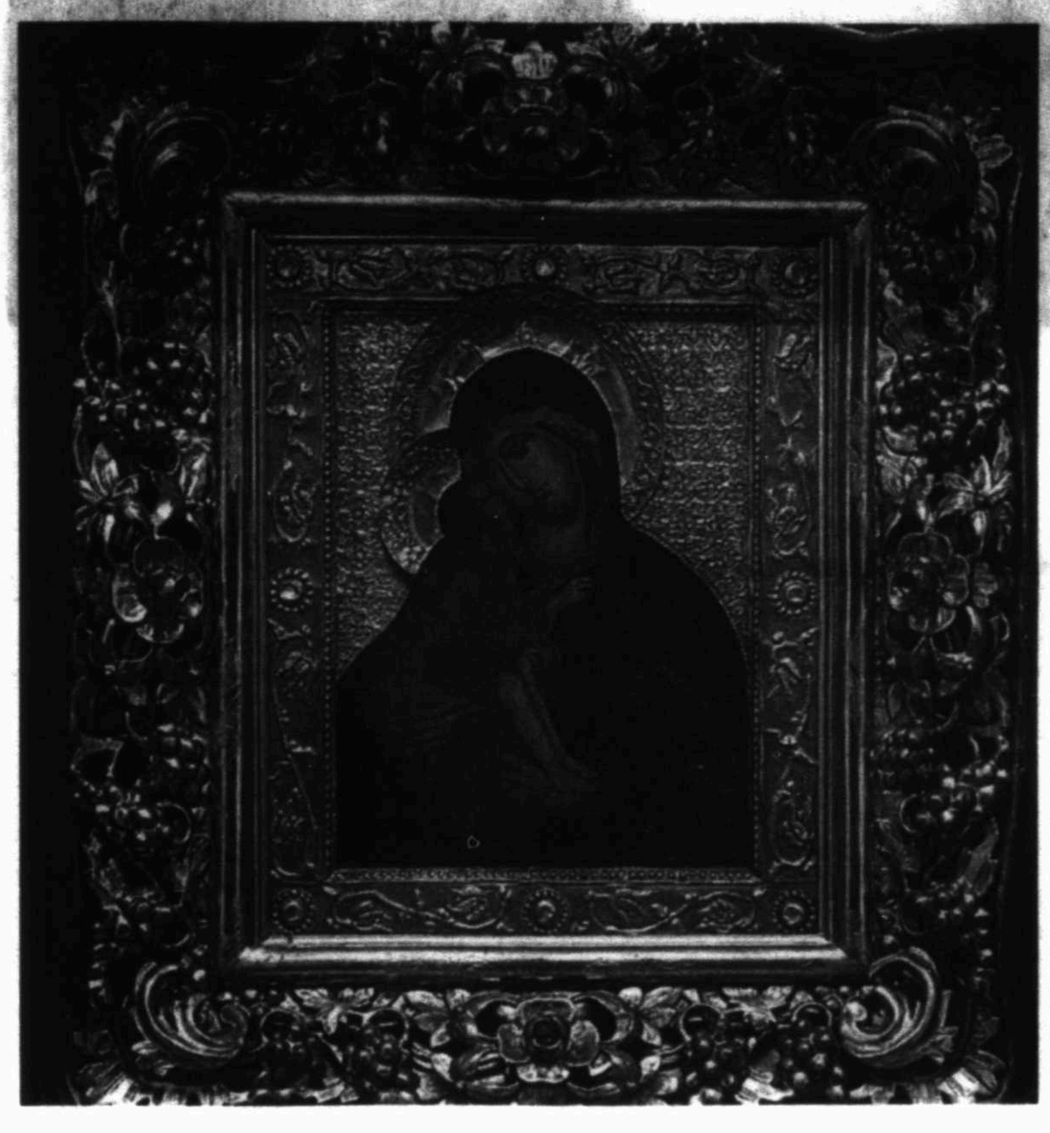


RUSSIAN ICONS

LEFT
Bishop Michael Sis of the Diocese of San Angelo visits the new exhibit "Russian Icons: Imperial Treasures" at the Ellen Noel Art Museum in Odessa.

ABOVE
Liz Shelton, board of trustees president for the Ellen Noel Art Museum; George Jacob, executive director; Bishop Michael Sis of the Catholic Diocese of San Angelo; and Kim Johnson, co-chairwoman of the Connoisseurs Committee stand in front of the new exhibit "Russian Icons: Imperial Treasures" at the Ellen Noel Art Museum in Odessa.

Photos courtesy of Ellen Noel Art Museum



Museums and monuments during conflict: Protecting heritage



GEORGE JACOB
executive director of the Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian Basin

The recent Hollywood movie "The Monuments Men" has brought to light the lesser known story of World War II in which millions of works of art were systematically catalogued, looted and hidden by the Nazis with a well thought-out plan to display the masterpieces in the ultimate unrealized museum of all times — The Führermuseum.

A unique platoon of men and women from 13 countries, including museum experts and scholars, were charged with the responsibility of saving the greatest artistic achievements of western civilization from the grave Nazi threat to some of the greatest cultural achievements of mankind.

Much has changed since World War II. When culture and heritage are endangered or facing a crisis arising out of conflict, an umbrella network called Blue Shield steps in. The Blue Shield is the cultural equivalent of the Red Cross. It is the protective emblem specified in the 1954 Hague Convention (Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict) for marking cultural sites to give them protection from attack in the event of armed conflict. The Blue Shield network consists of organizations dealing with museums, archives, audio-visual supports, libraries, monuments and sites.

Drafted in the wake of the widespread cultural devastation and modeled on instructions given by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower to aid in the preservation of Europe's cultural legacy, the Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict adopted at the Hague (Netherlands) in 1954 is the basic international treaty formulating rules to protect cultural heritage during armed conflicts. It regulates the conduct of nations during war and military occupation in order to assure the protection of cultural sites, monuments and repositories, including museums, libraries and archives.

The Second Protocol was introduced in 1999 and came into force in 2004, which allows for cultural property of the greatest importance for humanity to be placed under enhanced protection provided it is adequately protected by domestic law and not used for military purposes or to shield military sites.

Another provision included in the Second Protocol is the increased effort to fight impunity through effective criminal prosecution of war criminals. The Protocol, signed by 115 nations, specifically defines five serious violations for which it establishes individual criminal responsibility.

These instruments have been vital to protecting museums, monuments and cultural heritage in Iraq, Afghanistan, Egypt and other potentially vulnerable conflict zones including Ukraine where following civil unrest the Blue Shield expressed its deep concern about the safeguarding and protection of the country's invaluable cultural and historical heritage, as well as the institutions that house them and the people who care for them.

The Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian Basin is privileged to bring a slice of this incredible heritage to the Permian Basin in an exhibit titled "Russian Icons: Imperial Treasures" that opened to the public Monday and will remain open until May 17. It is by far the most dazzling collection of iconography to ever be on display in West Texas.

George Jacob is executive director of the Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian Basin.

MUSEUM

From 1H

of each exhibit, noting which light bulbs need to be replaced and picking up any trash on the floor.

Though she frequently deals with a male-dominated field of oil companies and business owners, she doesn't find a lot of drawbacks in being a female executive director in the arts.

"I seldom find that they expect less from me as a woman, and if they do at first, they change their mind," she said with a laugh. "I've been here so long, I really don't see it much. It would be silly to say that every once in a while you don't get a hint of the 'good ol' boys' network, but Midland has been so supportive of me and supportive of the museum."

Apart from her museum duties, Shannon takes care of all the animals she lovingly welcomes into her home. She's had chinchillas, guinea pigs, hamsters and more animals than she can remember over the years. These days, she stays busy with a dog and four cats. She also spends time with her family, including her 18-month-old granddaughter.

SERIES

From 1H

World in Wilder, Ky. With the mantra of sustaining the artists — sustaining the venues — sustaining the community, Blue Max is an ideal fit for the variety of bands that play the venue as well as its intent on helping the bands by providing food and eventually building a cabin for bands to stay in overnight.

"Taking care of our bands has been our whole focus and that's why Owen recommended us to Brigitte London, who is one of the organizers," Blue Max owner Erika Berry said.

Select venues will receive a profile in Outlaw Magazine. The series was created and named in honor of singer/songwriter Wayne Mills, who was shot by a club owner in Nashville and killed.

Below is the lineup for the Last Honky Tonk Series at The Blue Max.

Owen Mays, The Ditchrunners, Bob Wayne & The Outlaw Carnies - Monday at 8 p.m.

Jake Ames - April 4 at 9 p.m.

Emily Herring - April 11 at 9 p.m.

Jeff Hopson, Jud Block - April 18 at 8 p.m.

Jordan Minor - April 25 at 8 p.m.

TBA - May 2 at 8 p.m.

Casper McWade - May 10 at 9 p.m.

Peewee Moore, Brigitte London - June 27 at 8 p.m.

Blue Max, 7409 West Industrial Ave. For more information, visit the Facebook.com/BlueMaxRocks.

'The 100': Young criminals let loose upon earth

By Mike Hale
N.Y. Times News Service

The science-fiction series "The 100," which began Wednesday on CW, is an imagine-the-pitch kind of show. "It's 'Lord of the Flies' meets 'Lost in Space!'" Or, to put it in terms its target audience might recognize, it's "The Hunger Games" meets "Battlestar Galactica," with bits of "Terra Nova" and "Lost" thrown in.

There's nothing in this B-grade post-apocalyptic story that you haven't seen or heard before. There are the usual CW compensations — pretty faces, plaintive pop songs — along with a bracing harshness that's unusual for the network. When people are killed — by spear, punji stick or knife in the neck — they mostly stay dead.

The action begins a century after nuclear war has wiped out earth's population, leaving a "Battlestar Galactica"-like colony of survivors orbiting in a space station. With oxygen beginning to run out, 100 teenage criminals are secretly sent to the Earth's surface to test whether humans can now survive there, a premise that adds "The Dirty Dozen" and "Battle Royale" to the list of the show's antecedents. Among the dangers are mutant river snakes, mysterious humanoids and that killer fog.

What follows, given the pairing of CW and the teenage-skewing production studio Alloy Entertainment, is a predictable mix of violence, sex and sentimentalism: "Lord of the Flies," but with more stirring speeches, noble sacrifices and soft-focus semi-nudity. The teenage characters, played by a largely unknown cast, sort themselves into the usual categories — good girl, bad girl, alpha male, nerd — while their parents on the space station, played by recognizable actors like Henry Ian Cusick ("Lost"), Paige Turco ("Person of Interest") and Isaiah Washington ("Grey's Anatomy"), engage in power politics and minor genocide.

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SOUNDBITES

Reviews of recent releases

KYLIE MINOGUE
"Kiss Me Once"



The latest offering from pop goddess Kylie Minogue is like a narcotic disco dream, slightly confused about the time-space continuum, yet very delightful. With her 12th studio album — her first after signing with Jay Z's Roc Nation management — Minogue attempts to keep her crown in the dance kingdom — and succeeds — when she's not trying too hard to upgrade to today's trends.

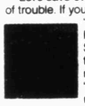
Australian wunderkind Sia, who has written for Rihanna, Beyonce and Britney Spears, co-executive produced this tiny gem of dance floor anthems and sex-crazed tunes. When three out of 11 tracks have the word "sex" in their titles, you know what the album is going for — the antechamber to the bedroom of music.

Minogue excels on songs that are pure bubblegum fun. The Pharrell-penned spring-in-one's-step "I Was Gonna Cancel," the vaguely familiar "Sexy Love," the casually dance-inducing "Feels So Good" and the beguilingly '80s throwback title track bring back a rash of dance memories from Minogue's golden days circa 2001 with the addictive hits "Can't Get You Out of My Head" and "Love at First Sight."

The bug in this sextra intoxicating party cocktail is the misguided attempt at a ballad: an irritating duet with Enrique Iglesias' computer-flavored vocals on "Beautiful." Just stick to what you do best, kids, separately. You can't force love on a player of an album.

Christina Jaleru/AP

FOSTER THE PEOPLE
"Supermodel"



Let's save everyone a lot of trouble. If you're looking for "Pumped Up Kicks 2: The Sequel" on Foster the People's new album, "Supermodel," it's not there. There's nothing even close.

That's not a failure on Foster the People's part, just their statement of purpose. The peppiness of "Pumped Up Kicks," which was arguably the song of the summer of 2011, camouflaged the tale of a schoolkid getting ready for a murderous rampage. On "Supermodel," they sound more like Vampire Weekend than that band that had everyone singing about outrunning bullets.

Mark Foster and friends incorporate Afro-pop, new wave and '90s alternative in a variety of combinations through most of the album, maintaining an upbeat but edgy vibe. One of the singles, "Coming of Age," sounds like New Order meets New Radicals. Another single, "Best Friend," adopts the same lyrical-musical disconnect that "Pumped Up Kicks" used, talking about a strung-out best friend while an '80s synth-funk party breaks out behind it.

It actually becomes quite an engaging party game throughout "Supermodel" to try to filter out all the various influences that helped shape a song. The raging sprawl of "A Beginner's Guide to Destroying the Moon" could net you everything from Boston to Silversun Pickups.

Glenn Gamboa/Newsday



Skrillex ramps up ambition as he releases first LP

By Chris Talbott
Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Skrillex is taking his inspiration from Kanye West these days.

The electronic music DJ and producer spent a little time with West, sharing a plane flight from Los Angeles to Las Vegas where each was to perform two years ago, and came away with an invitation to collaborate and an even deeper understanding of the possibilities in front of him.

"It was cool to see Kanye surrounded by all these creative people constantly on computers, approving stuff, coming up with ideas — the constant machine that Kanye was in the middle of," said Skrillex, whose real name is Sonny Moore. "And it reminded me a lot of my crew. We have so much going on 24-7 and we're always on our computers, we're all approving stuff and going back and forth with ideas. And to see him do it on a massive level is really cool. He's just so involved with every aspect of his career."

The 26-year-old Grammy Award winner has decided to emulate that model, and has begun building a creative center in downtown Los Angeles he calls The Nest. Eventually the goal is to have a space for friends — musicians and producers and members of his record label, OWSLA, but also other creatives in the visual and fashion world — to use as a hub, much in the way West keeps scores of satellites in orbit around him.

Skrillex's first official album, "Recess," released last week, is one of the most complex examples of this way of thinking. It was recorded as he toured the world and unfettered by corporate rules. His record label, Atlantic Records, had almost no input before it received the album, and is working mainly as a distributor and promoter.

"All the creative comes from us sitting together and vibing out," Moore said in a phone interview of his collaborators and business partners. "I'm making music and they're working on other artist stuff and we just kind of have this synergy going on that really bypasses the steps of having to deal with a label and having to clear something through them, and hopefully they'll get out there and sell the record. It doesn't have that (old label system) vibe. It's a whole different way of being. It's pure, you know?"

Instead of taking a seven-figure advance, Moore recorded "Recess" in much the way he's produced previous records — on the fly all over the world. As he played shows for a growing number of fans, he'd selectively invite new collaborators to join him as he made stops in New York, Los Angeles, Canada and the United Kingdom.

While in South Korea, he hooked up with G-Dragon and the YG Entertainment crew at the suggestion of Diplo and the result was "Dirty Vibe." He caught up with old friend Chance the Rapper at a show in Seattle and they banged out "Coast is Clear" overnight with a full band.

"Recess" is the first formal release Moore has put out under the Skrillex moniker since 2011's "Bangarang" EP. He spent much of 2013 occupied with touring as Skrillex and with his band, Dog Blood. He scored Harmony Korine's "Spring Breakers" and worked on music obsessively. "Recess," it turns out, is just the initial salvo in 2014.

"This album is kind of like the first wave of a lot more stuff to come, just (songs) flying out left and right kind of thing," he said. "That's kind of what to expect: spontaneous releases. ... There's so many other collaborations that I can't really say yet but that have been left over from the record, that I'm going to release soon that are so dope. I'm excited for the new stuff to come out that no one's heard yet."



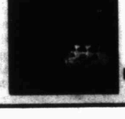
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MIDLAND/ODESSA/ BIG SPRING/ANDREWS

March

23 **Midnight Ghost Train** @ Blue Max
23 **Tommy Jean & Jerry Band, Zeb, Tucker Binkley, Mary Mitchell** @ Music City Mall
24 The Last Honky Tonk Series featuring **Owen Mays & The Ditchrunners, Bob Wayne & The Outlaw Carnies** @ Blue Max
25 **Crobot** @ Blue Max
25 **Scarletta** @ Odessa College
25 **Remedy** @ Escape Lounge
25 **Take 2** @ Permian Basin Dance Club
26 **Justin Langston** @ Saltgrass
26 **Remedy** @ Escape Lounge
27 **The Rustybrothers** @ Lone Star Bar
27 **Max Stalling** @ Rockin Rodeo
27 **Showdown** @ West Texas Dance Club
27 **Dilans, Minus the Richards** @ Blue Max
28 **Loudfinger** @ Detour
28 **Gerardo Ortiz, Julion Alvarez y Norteno Banda, 3 Ball Mty** @ La Hacienda
28 **Kevin Fowler** @ Graham Central Station
28 **Dan Patterson and the Dying Breed** @ Redneck's
28 **Tommy Jean & Jerry Band** @ Midland Senior Center
28 **Tex Railer's Doomtown, Cactus Jack & His Band of Outlaws** @ Blue Max
28 **Dix Hat Band** @ Lone Star Bar
28 **Mike and the Moonpies** @ Basin Burger House
28 **Matt Rios, Dene Redmon** @ Music City Mall
28-29 **Back Road Troubadors** @ Your Place
28-29 **Cory Dutton** @ The Bar
29 **Corey Paul, Dre Murray, Alex Faith** @ Mount Rose Full Gospel Baptist Church
29 **Southbound 35** @ Lone Star Bar
29 **Midnight Ghost Train** @ Blue Max
29 **Curtis Grimes** @ Permian Playhouse
29 **Trisha Yearwood** @ Wagner Noel
29 **Akwid, Dyablo, Cacho, Microphone Killa, Soxl, Dallas Aztec** @ Cabana Sports Barn
29 **Mike Leonard, Ty Miller, Tech Jazz, Mary Mitchell, Martha Elliott, Marissa Reschman** @ Music City Mall
29 **Banda La Trakalosa De Monterrey** @ Club La Playa
29 **Vintage Harmony starring Baron Batch** @ Petroleum Museum
30 **Permian Basin String Quartet Chamber Concert: Oh No! "Modern" Music** @ Wagner Noel
30 **Justin Langston, Abi Ann Hoffman, Kenton Duty** @ Grande Stadium
30 **Goodtimers, Zeb, Emily King, Tucker Binkley, Mary Mitchell** @ Music City Mall

April

1 **Indiegogo House the Humble** @ Blue Max
1 **Goodtimers** @ Permian Basin Dance Club
2 **Bastard Suns** @ Blue Max
2 **Audio Adrenaline, Finding Favor, Shine Bright Baby** @ New Life Chapel
3 **Adam Fears** @ Lone Star Bar
3 **Micky and the Motorcars** @ Rockin Rodeo
3 **Goodtimers** @ West Texas Dance Club
4 **3-OG** @ Cafe at Alldredge Gardens
4 **Jake Ames** @ Blue Max
4 **7 Years Today** @ Redneck's
4 **Paul Cauthen, David Beck** @ ArtiZen
4 **No Dry County, Matt Caldwell** @ Lone Star Bar
4-5 **Freeride** @ The Bar
4-5 **Who'z Drivin'** @ Your Place
5 **Aaron Einhouse** @ Lone Star Bar
5 **Callahan Divide** @ Redneck's
5 **Gloria Trevi En Concierto** @ La Hacienda
6 **Goodtimers** @ Music City Mall
8 **Michael McDonald** @ Wagner Noel
8 **Johnny & Susie Band** @ Permian Basin Dance Club
10 **Sam Riggs & The Night People** @ Rockin Rodeo
10 **Pullman Standard, Handsome as Sin** @ Pine Box (Keggler's Lounge)
11 **Tommy, Jean, Jerry & Co.** @ Midland Senior

LUBBOCK

March

26 **Blue October, Architects** @ The Pavilion at Lone Star Event Center
28 **Joe Ely, David Ramirez** @ Cactus Theatre

NEW MEXICO

April

4 **Volbeat, Trivium, Digital Summer** @ Inn of the Mountain Gods

DALLAS-FORT WORTH AREA

March

23 **Agent Orange** @ Aardvark
24 **The Glitch Mob, Ana Sia** @ House of Blues
25 **Miniature Tigers, Flashlights, Total Slacker** @ Dada Dallas
26 **Cher, Pat Benatar & Neil Gerardo** @ American Airlines Center
28 **Creepshow, The Phenomenauts** @ Gas Monkey
30 **Tab Benoit, Jonathon Boogie Long** @ Gas Monkey
31 **Pink Martini** @ AT&T Performing Arts Center



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