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Store owners mull selling liquor on Sundays

State Legislature considering lifting alcohol ban

By Kathleen Thurber
Staff Writer

Midlanders could have the option of purchasing liquor on Sundays if proposals in Austin meant to drum up more revenue make it through the Legislature.

And while some say it makes sense to open up liquor sales on afternoons when beer and wine already are available for purchase, others say it would be more of a hindrance than anything.

"All you're doing is diluting your business," said Austin Keith, owner of Pinkie's Liquor Stores. "I really don't think you're going to generate more tax revenue."

Estimates in a recent report from the Legislative Budget Board show opening liquor stores for an extra day each week could generate $7.4 million in added sales tax revenue over the 2012-13 biennium. The report says an elimination of the "blue law" also would bring consistency among the statutes governing alcohol sales.

José Cuevas Jr., presiding officer of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, said the TABC will regulate whatever laws are in place. But, he said, a shift in Sunday sales probably would help the state budget situation.

"There's an argument that says, why can you buy beer and wine after (noon), however you can't buy spirits? How can you go to a restaurant and buy mixed drinks but at the same time you can't go buy (liquor)?" he said.

At the Texas Package Store Association, members and staff aren't certain sales tax numbers would shoot up as anticipated by the Legislative Budget Board.

Executive Director Lance Lively points to Colorado where alcohol sales were expanded to Sunday in 2008. There, state lawmakers expected about $6 million in additional revenue but instead collected closer to $2 million during the first year, including through sales that had previously been allowed at restaurants and bars, according to the Distilled Spirits Council.

"You spread profits of six days over seven," Lively said. "If someone drinks a certain brand of liquor and they do that throughout their year, does adding another day make them drink more? No."

Others, however, say even if the increase in sales and therefore tax revenue wasn't as high as projected, it would still add to

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MIDLAND WHITEOUT



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Kevin Wilton scrapes ice and snow from his car windows Tuesday morning as he and other area residents woke to a frigid sub freezing Permian Basin.

Cold temperatures expected to persist

By Kathleen Thurber
Staff Writer

Regardless of whether Punxsutawney Phil sees his shadow today, meteorologists said winter weather will persist a little longer in Midland with flurries and freezing temperatures forecast through at least Thursday.

Still, after temperatures dropped more than 55 degrees between Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning, locals said the blast of winter is bringing milder consequences than could have been the case. Schools remained open Tuesday and accidents were only slightly above average during the day with none reporting serious injuries, officials said.

"A lot of people were bracing for a really bad storm and while certainly it's not fun to drive in this, it's not as bad as we thought it could be," said Gene Powell at the Texas Department of Transportation's Odessa office. "We may have dodged a bullet, though it's plenty cold."

Temperatures dipped to 14 early Tuesday and reached only 19 during the afternoon after hitting 72 on Monday, according to the National Weather Service. Today and Thursday, temperatures are expected to climb into the 20s and then fall to around 10.

The cool temperatures prompted Trinity School to shut its doors today. Other campuses weren't anticipating issues but said they'll make decisions on any delays or cancellations early this morning.

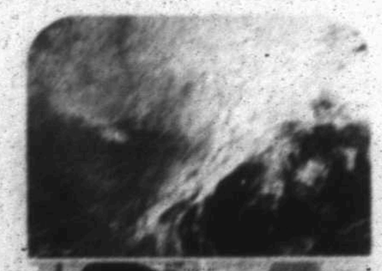
"It's actually been a pretty calm day," said MISD Superintendent Ryder Warren, adding that they had some parents upset they didn't cancel school but equally as many thanking them

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Low on Tuesday

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Degrees dropped from Monday to Tuesday

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Temperature expected on Thursday





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Police charge man with bigamy

By Audrie Palmer
Staff Writer

A Midland man was charged with bigamy after one of his wives brought papers to police showing he was legally married to two women.

Manuel Anguiano, 37, was arrested Thursday at the Summerhill Apartments on Midland Drive and has since been released from the Midland County jail on a $25,000 bond.



Anguiano

For Detective Richard Candelaria with Midland police, investigating the case of bigamy was the first he's ever been assigned to in the 41 years he's been in law enforcement.

And in the 15 years he's been in the detective unit at MPD, he said, he's never seen or heard of another case coming through their office.

He said that Anguiano's wife of 18 years filed a report with police on Dec. 22. She told them that while she was still married to Anguiano, she found out from her father that while they were separated, her husband had traveled to Rodeo Durango, Mexico, and married another woman there.

The wife then traveled to Mexico and found records and a marriage license showing that her estranged husband had married someone else on June 29, 2009.

"We had all the documentation that the victim brought in that there was another marriage involved in this case," Candelaria said.

An arrest affidavit states that she confronted her husband about the marriage and he told her that he previously had it annulled, but could not produce any documentation on it.

It is a crime in Texas for someone to be married to more than one person, Candelaria said, no matter what state or foreign country that marriage takes place.

When interviewed by police, he said Anguiano admitted to being married to another woman while he was still married to his wife.

Candelaria said that the two are now in the process of divorce but it hasn't been finalized yet.

The charge of bigamy is a third-degree felony and convictions are punishable by two to 10 years in prison and a maximum fine of $10,000.

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It's happening ... this week

Today

■ Falcon Fledgling Storytime "Penguins, Penguins Everywhere!" 9 a.m., UTPB Library foyer.

Saturday

■ Children's storytime, "Geoffrey Groundhog Predicts the Weather" 10:30 a.m., Barnes and Noble Booksellers.

■ Knitting Guild of West Texas' adult crafts, 3 p.m., Barnes and Noble Booksellers.

■ Habitat for Humanity's ninth annual Tool Box Bash, 5:30-9:30 p.m., Commemorative Air Force, 9600 Wright Drive.

■ Basin PBS and Midland College present "Freedom Riders," 7:30-9 p.m., Wagner & Brown Auditorium, Allison Fine Arts Building.

Sunday

■ Lee High School Choir's community concert, 5 p.m. at the LHS Auditorium, 3500 Neely Ave.

Saturday and Sunday

■ Silver Spur Sun & Blade Show, Horseshoe Main Arena.

Meetings Schedule

West Texas Real Estate Investment Association
7-9 p.m. Thursday
Aerios Community Room by the Midland International Airport
Web: WestTexasREI.com

Rescheduling

Due to the inclement weather, these events have been rescheduled.

■ The Early College High School meeting set for today at Goddard Junior High School will be 5:30 p.m. Feb. 10. Scholarship application deadline is Feb. 11; deadlines for other students is Friday.

■ STAAR information meeting set for 5:30 p.m. Thursday at San Jacinto has been changed to 6 p.m. Thursday.

■ "The Get Guys" performances scheduled for today at First United Methodist Church has been rescheduled for 7 p.m. March 30.

Tool Box Bash to be held Saturday

Midland Habitat for Humanity's ninth annual Tool Box Bash is set for 5:30 p.m. Saturday at the Commemorative Air Force Hangar.

Tool Box Bash is a major fundraiser for Habitat for Humanity, raising enough funds to build an entire house. Habitat invites all to come out for a family fun night that will include a silent auction, dinner buffet, music and fun games. Tickets will be available at the door. For pricing and more information, call 686-8877.

African Children's Choir to perform this weekend

The African Children's Choir will perform at 6 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. Sunday at Trinity Presbyterian Church, 2800 W. Louisiana Ave.

The concert will include children's songs, gospel songs and traditional African songs and dances.

A freewill offering will be taken for education and emergency relief for children in Uganda, Kenya, South Africa, Sudan, Rwanda, Nigeria and Ghana.

For more information, call 682-2514.

Upcoming nonprofit/support group meetings, events

■ Midland Association of Retired School Personnel will meet at 11:30 a.m. Thursday at First Baptist Church's Fellowship Hall.

Retired educator LaSahara Nailand will present a program on the state's wildflowers.

To make luncheon reservations, contact Anita at 697-1602 or apatton123@sbcglobal.net.

■ The West Texas Iris Society will meet 7 p.m. Thursday at the Furman Community and Senior Services Center, 3301 Sinclair Ave.

The program will be on this year's show.

For more information call 697-0567.

■ Midland Archeological Society will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Sibley Nature Center.

Calvin Smith, executive director of the Western Heritage Museum & Lea County Cowboy Hall of Fame at New Mexico Junior College in Hobbs, will give the program.

■ ODESSA — Accolade Home Care will offer screenings for congestive heart failure 10-11:30 a.m. Feb. 10 at Southside Senior Center, 900 S. Dixie.

For more information, call Fabian Franco at 638-3476.

■ Big Brothers Big Sisters is planning Bowl for Kids' Sake 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Feb. 12 at AMF Midland Park Lanes.

To register as a sponsor or a team, contact info@bbbsmidland.org or 687-0195.



MIDLAND COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN



ABOVE: The Midland County Republican Women Board members for 2011 are: Bottom row, from left, Jogi Hutchinson, Linda Hagler, president, Stephanie Reed; second row from left, Mina Fitting, Juandelle Lacy-Roberts, Barbara Culver-Clack; third row from left, Sherri Merket, Sue Brannon, Dianne Anderson; fourth row from left, Rhonda Lacy, Roxie Blair, Diana Taylor-Burge; fifth row from left, Leann Brenner, Susan Gentry, Thea McCarthy; sixth row from left, Teresa Clingman, Sue Madry, Heather Pieiler; and seventh row from left, Lisa Gandy, Diane Magee, Kathy Young. RIGHT, Sue Madry, Roger Williams, former secretary of state) and Kathy Reeves at the January Republican Women's meeting.

Weather report for January

Average temperature: 42.5 degrees

Typical average temperature for January: 42.3

January precipitation: 0.02 inches

Average precipitation for January: 0.53 inches

Driest Januarys in Midland
1930-2011

1. 1967	0.00
2. 1971	Trace
2. 1953	Trace
2. 1933	Trace
5. 1988	0.01
5. 1970	0.01
5. 1963	0.01
5. 1951	0.01
9. 2011	**0.02**
9. 1969	0.02

It's been dry in Midland

From Sept. 26 through January, Midland received 0.04 inches of rain. Typical rain during that time is 3.99 inches.

Coldest days in Midland
1930-2011

1. Feb. 8, 1933	-11
1. Feb. 2, 1985	-11
3. Jan. 11, 1962	-8
3. Feb. 1, 1985	-8
5. Feb. 1, 1951	-1
5. Dec. 23, 1989	-1
7. Jan. 2, 1979	0
7. Feb. 2, 1951	0
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TSA tests new body scanning system in Las Vegas

By Cristina Silva
Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Federal aviation officials are giving it another try. This time, they are not looking as closely under travelers's clothes.

The Transportation Security Administration on Tuesday began testing a new, more modest body scanning system at three airports. They hope it will assuage critics' concerns that the nearly 500 full-body scanners at 78 airports reveal too much.

"We believe it addresses the privacy issues that have been raised," TSA administrator John Pistole said at a news conference at Reagan National Airport in Washington, one of the airports testing the technology.

The system does not involve new machines. Instead, it relies on new software.

The software discards the x-ray-style image that revealed the contours of the traveler's body — the one that left many uncomfortable at the thought of screeners being able to see them with the rough outlines of their undergarments.

Now, there is just a generic image — like the chalk outline of a body at a crime scene.

This is how it works:

A traveler passes through the scanner. Once they step out, they can see a computer monitor. It can display a large green "OK" and the traveler can move on.

If they have something in their pockets or hidden elsewhere on their body, the outline of a body appears, and a box marks the location of the object. If someone had a wallet in a front pocket, for example, the box would appear over the hips.

The box would then trigger a human pat-down search.

"One of the things this does is give greater confidence to the traveling public, because they are seeing the image also. They are seeing exactly what the security officer is seeing, that they can say 'Oh, yeah, I forgot to take that piece of paper out of my pocket,'" Pistole said.

"And hopefully it provides a greater deterrent to possible terrorists, who may realize 'Oh, they're going to see it right there. If that shows up, and I'm here, then I'm going to be [illegible]," he added.

On Tuesday at one of the test sites, McCarran International Airport in Las Vegas, TSA workers moved through a scanner equipped with the new software in a demonstration for reporters.

On some people, the scanner picked up objects in their pockets. A search later showed wallets or cell phones. Those carrying nothing moved through the scanner in moments.

The other airport where the software will also be tested is Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport in Atlanta.



Associated Press

WINTER WORK Boonville parks and recreation employees Kerry Shipman, left, and Pat Ziegelbein, right, clear the sidewalk Tuesday, in Boonville, Mo.

Snow sweeps through America's heartland

By Michael Tarm
Associated Press

CHICAGO — A winter weather colossus roared into the nation's heartland Tuesday, laying down a paralyzing punch of dangerous ice and whiteout snow that served notice from Texas to Maine that the storm billed as the worst in decades was living up to the hype so far.

Ice-covered streets were deserted in Super Bowl host city Dallas. Whiteouts shut down Oklahoma City and Tulsa. And more was on the way. Chicago expected 2 feet of snow, Indianapolis an inch of ice, and the Northeast still more ice and snow in what's shaping up to be a record winter for the region.

The system that stretched more than 2,000 miles across a third of the country promised to leave in its aftermath a chilly cloak of teeth-chattering cold, with temperatures in the single digits or lower.

Winds topped 60 mph in Texas. The newspaper in Tulsa, Okla., canceled its print edition for the first time in more than a century. And in Chicago, both major airports gave up on flying until at least Wednesday afternoon.

The threat of high winds also had Chicago officials contemplating steps they haven't taken in years — starting with closing down the city's busy and iconic Lake Shore Drive because of the prospect of 25-foot waves caused by 60 mph winds washing over it from nearby Lake Michigan.

Everyone "should brace for a storm that will be remembered for a long time," said Jose Santiago, executive director of the city's office of emergency management.

The worst of the storm was expected later Tuesday evening, but many cities began shutting down hours ahead of the snow. Scores of schools, colleges and government offices canceled activities or decided not to open at all.

Large sections of busy Midwest interstates were closed, and nearly 6,000 flights had been canceled across the nation.

Early accounts indicated many people already planned to heed advice to stay home.

"It's going to be a ghost town," Chicago-area commuter Martin Berg said after arriving at a downtown train station.

In Missouri, more than a foot had fallen by midday, with no end in sight.

"The roads are just pure white. There's no traffic. Nothing," said Kristi Strait, who was working at Clinton Discount Building Materials in Clinton, Mo.

The storm was so bad in Polk County, 200 miles west of St. Louis, that emergency officials requested help from the National Guard because the county didn't have enough vehicles to get elderly residents and those in a shelter if power would go out.

In state capitols across the Midwest and East lawmakers cut short their workweek because of the storm. Normally bustling downtown streets were quiet, too. And many stores were closed, with signs in the window blaming the weather.

But others weren't going to let the weather keep them from work. The bakery Chez Monet in downtown Jefferson City was open, adding fuel to a meal for chilled customers.

Owner Joan Fairfax said she drives to work without trouble. She wasn't sure about the ride home, but said she could walk if necessary.

"I have never missed a day of work because of weather in 20 years," said Fairfax, 54.

Meteorologist Jeff Johnson of the National Weather Service in Des Moines said the storm was one to "cripple transportation for a couple of days." The snow and the wind were a dangerous combination, even in areas where not that much snow was expected.

ACROSS THE NATION

FROM WIRE REPORTS

FLORIDA

Discovery fixed, back on launch pad

CAPE CANAVERAL — Space shuttle Discovery is back on the launch pad following unprecedented repairs for its final voyage.

NASA moved Discovery out of its hangar Monday night, and the rocketship reached the pad well before dawn Tuesday. Barring any more trouble, it should be the last time Discovery makes the three-mile trip.

Discovery was supposed to make its last flight to the International Space Station in November. But cracks popped up in the fuel tank. NASA sent the shuttle back to the Vehicle Assembly Building before Christmas for the extensive repair work.

CALIFORNIA

Kidnapped boy, 4, found dead in canal

PATTERSON — Authorities said Tuesday they found the body of a 4-year-old boy in a Central California canal, two weeks after he was kidnapped from his home.

A water department worker spotted Juliani Cardenas' body floating in the Delta-Mendota Canal, said Stanislaus County Sheriff Adam Christianson. The body was found about 30 miles downstream from where a vehicle belonging to the man suspected of kidnapping Juliani was recovered last week.

The worker called 911 around 7:30 a.m.

"From the very beginning, we wanted to find little Juliani alive. That was our goal," Christianson said. But as the days progressed, "we just knew that wouldn't happen."

Investigators said Juliani was snatched from his home in Patterson on Jan. 18 by his mother's ex-boyfriend, Jose Rodriguez, 27. Search teams began combing the canal following a tip that a car matching the description of Rodriguez's silver Toyota Corolla was seen going into the water.

Christianson said a homicide warrant has been issued for Rodriguez, but investigators believe the man's body also will be found in the canal. There was no evidence that Rodriguez fled the scene after the car went into the water, he said.

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COLD
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There's a 20 percent chance of snow today and a slight chance for isolated snow again on Thursday. Meteorologist Michelle Schuldt said after Midland received two inches of snow on Monday, the city likely won't see more than .02 inches of additional flurries in the next few days.

"I think we fared pretty well," Schuldt said.

The city of Midland responded to 12 accidents during the morning hours, said public information officer Tasa Watts. The Department of Public Safety was called to another three incidents, staff said, with the most severe road conditions popping up near Stanton where one lane of Interstate 20 had to be shut down.

And while there weren't a slew of accidents, Velma Espino at Action Wrecker said with the vehicles that became stuck they received 80 percent more calls for towing than on a normal day.

With freezing temperatures expected to keep icy spots on the road, Espino said they've even been cooking at the office to keep staff sustained so they can continue working.

"Our night people are in," Espino said, speaking Tuesday afternoon. "We're expecting it to continue."

TxDOT as well as the city's transportation staff will continue taking a proactive approach in keeping roads drivable, staff said.

Eric Johnson, the city's assistant transportation manager, said they started treating bridges and roads at 3 a.m. on Tuesday. He said the persistent flurries didn't cause issues and that they see more problems when there's consistent rain and sleet that keeps roads covered in ice.

TxDot, too, is treating overpasses and bridges with a mixture meant to break up ice and allow for it to be sloshed to the side when cars pass over the pieces.

Powell cautioned drivers to remain cautious as roads likely will refreeze during the day and night. He said even heavily traveled streets can be slick and motorists should proceed slowly.

"Know it's going to take longer to get somewhere," he said.

At Midland International Airport, Deputy Director Justine Ruff said their staff was out de-icing as soon as temperatures dropped to freezing. They kept runways open for traffic throughout the day and saw only a few cancellations that resulted from weather elsewhere, she said.

Schools remaining open on Tuesday didn't stop some from taking a break.

Iris Foster, interim public information officer at UTPB, said some professors in the education and communications departments reported absences shot up by as much as 40 percent on Tuesday.

Business and biology students, for whatever reason, arrived in full force and on time for their morning courses, Foster said.

St. Ann's School said they had a few stay home but with parent-grandparent day on Tuesday most were eager to attend.

MISD canceled its GEM classes at the Carver Center to prevent kids from having to brave the elements twice — once en route to their home campus and again to get on a second bus to Carver. Some parents didn't get the memo soon enough and showed up at Carver anyway, but Warren said they should have the situation corrected for today.

"If we are in our normal school day (Wednesday), we'll just do a normal schedule with Carver," he said.

MISD's athletic events also were canceled Tuesday night.

Big Sky Drive-In closed its gates on Tuesday night after seeing a dismal crowd on Monday when temperatures dipped down and winds whisked in at more than 30 mph. They said they hoped to re-open tonight.

The Salvation Army welcomed 18 men and five women overnight on Monday, said Ben Lebow. He said that total was not much different than is typical this time of year, though they were preparing for a higher population late Tuesday.

Staff at Lone Star SPCA said they worked to keep animals warm by providing extra blankets and hay to the dogs that had to remain in shelters outside.

"We've got 'em all under cover," he said.

At Community and Senior Services, Kobi Nix said they were grateful volunteers stepped up on Tuesday to deliver meals. They're looking for anyone today who doesn't mind navigating the roads to fill in for those who aren't able to get out.

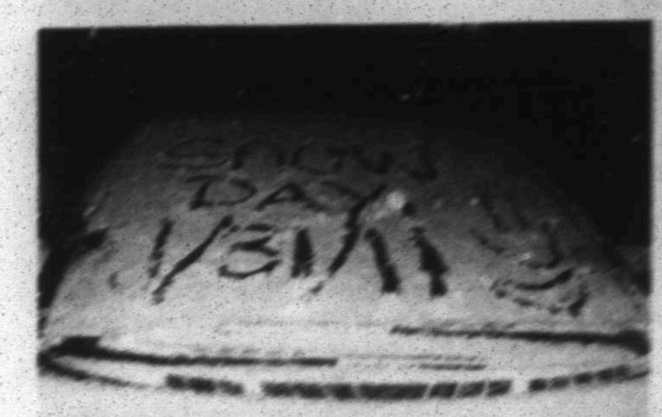
"We don't want anyone who's uncomfortable driving to come out," she said. "Luckily we don't have that many days like this."

When the groundhog steps out and makes a declaration concerning his shadow this morning, the prediction likely won't have much effect on Midland, experts said.

After this week's cool temperatures, highs should jump back into the 60s by the weekend and Schuldt said their long-term forecast shows Midland's highs and lows should be above average through the next three months.

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Winter wonderland



Snow Day Car by Donese King


Chase by Kayla Webb


Midland College by Jeff McDonald


Snow Dogs by Jenna Erickson


Elizabeth Inskeep by Katherine Inskeep

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Cancellations:
- Many school districts closed today, as will Midland Academy and School District O. All activities will be canceled for the second semester, and 4 a.m. will mark an announcement if a schedule change will take place.
- Midland Christian School closed only if MISD is closed.
- St. Ann's will post an announcement on its website as well as recording a phone message by 5:30 a.m.
- Midland College closes along with MISD and will post a notice on its website by 5:30 a.m. during bad weather days.
- University of Texas of the Permian Basin will announce on its website by 6 a.m. whether classes will be delayed or canceled.

Keeping animals safe:
- If possible, bring all animals indoors.
- For those that have to remain outside, it's best to provide some type of protection or shelter. Hay or a blanket also can be added to the ground of the shelter to provide some protection from the ground.
- If pets are being kept outdoors, pet owners should check the animal's water supply often to ensure it hasn't frozen.
- Pet owners should not use space heaters or any type of heater relying on fuel to keep their pet warm outdoors.
- Extra precaution should be taken with pets that already have health problems. Dogs with health issues typically expend all of their energy working to keep healthy so if they have to fight against the cold as well they may not be able to battle the elements.

Snowfall totals reported Tuesday:
- Midland 1 inch
- Andrews 0.3 inches
- Hobbs 2 inches
- Colorado City 2 inches
- Snyder 1.5 inches
- Lamesa 0.5 inches
- Carlsbad 0.5 inches

Source: National Weather Service

- To drive for Meals on Wheels: Call 683-4833


Associated Press

WINTER FUN Ethan Watt, 7, wears a groundhog hat as he slides on a saucer down a mound of snow his father piled up for him and his brother at the park in Punxsutawney, Pa. on Tuesday. Thousands of people are gathering in the small Pennsylvania town in anticipation of the annual gathering at Gobblers Knob for Groundhog Day.

Punxsutawney Phil plans wintry 125th anniversary

Associated Press

PUNXSUTAWNEY, Pa. — A day before Punxsutawney Phil gives his annual Groundhog Day weather forecast, his handlers say the show will go on despite a winter weather warning.

The National Weather Service is calling for as much as seven inches of snow in Punxsutawney, followed by a possible mix of sleet and freezing rain overnight Tuesday into Wednesday morning when Phil "forecasts" either an early spring or six more weeks of winter.

The Punxsutawney Groundhog Club Inner Circle's spokesman Luke Webber says nothing will prevent Phil from celebrating a milestone since his first appearance in 1887.

Webber says Wednesday "is our 125th anniversary of Punxsutawney Phil, and his fans will come out. The hotels are well-booked."

Several thousand people are expected for the daybreak celebration about 65 miles northeast of Pittsburgh.

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the overall bottom line. In a year where the budget deficit is estimated at $27 billion if maintaining present services, every little bit helps.

"I'm sure that we definitely would see more tax revenues collected, but we will do whatever they ask," Cuevas said.

The law banning liquor sales on Sundays was part of several blue laws that went into effect in the 1960s. Many in Texas — including those that banned the sale of recorded cassette tapes, baby bottles and nails — were repealed in 1985, but the prohibition on liquor remained.

Texas is one of 14 states that still has a similar law, according to the Legislative Budget Board's report. It says the addition of Sunday sales in 2012 would mean $3,622,979 in revenue or about $641,575 more than would be collected if sales were restricted to Mondays through Saturdays.

No bills regarding the issue have been filed. The recommendation was one of several made in the Budget Board's "Effectiveness and Efficiency Reports."

Staff at Erin's Liquor said customers do ask if there ever will be the possibility of opening their doors on Sunday but it's not something they would support since Sunday is meant to be a day for church.

At Poor John's Liquor, staff said they too have the occasional inquiry but that opening seven days a week would mean working without a break or having to hire someone new, which isn't what they want to do.

> "I'm a businessman and I'm just trying to run my operation the best that I can."
> — AUSTIN KEITH
> Owner of Pinkie's Liquor Stores

Keith said the overhead cost of paying staff and opening the five stores he owns between Midland and Odessa would not be worth the sales he might see on Sundays. If it were allowed, he said, Pinkie's would remain closed just like Hobby Lobby and Chick-fil-A do already.

"I'm a businessman and I'm just trying to run my operation the best that I can," Keith said.

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Associated Press

NEW RECORD Besse Cooper, who at 114 years and five months old, sits in her room at a nursing home Tuesday in Monroe, Ga. Cooper is now the world's oldest person, according to the Los Angeles-based Gerontology Research Group.

114-year-old believed to be oldest person

By Kate Brumback
Associated Press

MONROE, Ga. — At 114 years old and counting, Besse Cooper says it's "rather great" to be the oldest person in the world.

She makes her 75-year-old son proud.

"We were delighted when she got to 100. We thought that was a great achievement," said Sid Cooper. "We never imagined she'd live to be the oldest person in the world."

Cooper, who is 114 years and 5 months old, assumed the mantle of the oldest living person after the death Monday of Eunice G. Sanborn of Jacksonville, Texas, according to the Los Angeles-based Gerontology Research Group. The group certifies supercentenarians — people who are 110 or older.

Cooper wears a string of pearls double-looped around her neck and spends her days sitting and sleeping. She now lives in a nursing home in Monroe, Ga., about 45 miles east of Atlanta. Her wheelchair has bright pink accents emblazoned with "Ms. Besse, 2009 114."

She was born in Sullivan County, Tenn., on Aug. 26, 1896, during the second term of President Grover Cleveland.

One of eight children, she was a tomboy and loved tagging along with her two older brothers, climbing trees and splashing in rivers. She carried that active lifestyle and love of outdoors into adulthood. That, plus good genes, is probably the secret to her longevity, her son said.

But Cooper has her own idea: "I mind my own business and I don't eat junk food," she said at her 113th birthday celebration, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution reported.

Cooper lived on her own until she was 105 and stubbornly resisted leaving her house, Sid Cooper said. Her health has declined steeply in the last year or so, and she can't hear or see well, he said. Speaking seems to require effort.

She moved to Georgia to be a school teacher during World War I, her son said.

She married in the early 1920s and taught fourth through seventh grades in a two-room schoolhouse until her first child was born. Although she stopped teaching then, she was an avid reader until her eyes got too bad last year. She always insisted that her children get an education.

Married for about 40 years, Cooper has outlived her husband by nearly half a century. They had four children, about a dozen grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren and a great-great-grandchild, Sid Cooper said.

President Bush's daughter supports gay marriage

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Former President George W. Bush's daughter Barbara has announced her support for gay marriage, breaking with her father on a key social issue but joining her mother and other prominent Republicans who back same-sex unions.

The Human Rights Campaign, a national gay rights organization, released a video Tuesday featuring the 29-year old Bush, a New York resident who runs Global Health Corps, a nonprofit public health organization.

"I'm a New Yorker for marriage equality," Bush says in the video. "New York is about fairness and equality and everyone should have the right to marry the person that they love."

Study finds red light cameras cut fatal crashes

By Sarah Brumfield
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Red light cameras are helping drivers remember that red means stop and are saving lives, according to a new study out Tuesday by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

The study concludes that the cameras have reduced the rate of fatal crashes by 24 percent in 14 large cities that introduced red light cameras between 1996 and 2006.

"Red light cameras are working," said institute President Adrian Lund. "There are hundreds of people who are alive because some communities had the courage to use this method of enforcement."

In cities with the cameras, the study also noted drops in all fatal crashes at intersections with traffic signals, not just those caused by running red lights.

"We think that they are just paying more attention to intersections as they come up on them because they are more certain that if they violate the red light that they will get a ticket," Lund said.

The institute claims that the reduction translates into 159 lives saved over five years in those cities. If all large cities had cameras, a total of 815 lives could have been saved, according to the study.

In 2009, 676 people were killed and an estimated 113,000 injured in red light crashes, according the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's Fatality Analysis Reporting System.

Researchers have known for some time that the cameras reduce crashes, but there are now enough cities with cameras to study whether they affect fatal crashes, Lund said. Red light cameras can be a cheaper and safer alternative to officers enforcing red light running, he added.

But some disagree.

Gary Biller, executive director of the National Motorists Association, a Wisconsin-based drivers' rights organization, disputed the institute's finding that the cameras have reduced deaths. He cited previous studies — questioned by the institute — that found that the cameras increase crashes, including rear-end collisions.

As for calling the cameras a low-cost solution, Biller added: "They're not low cost to the motorist."

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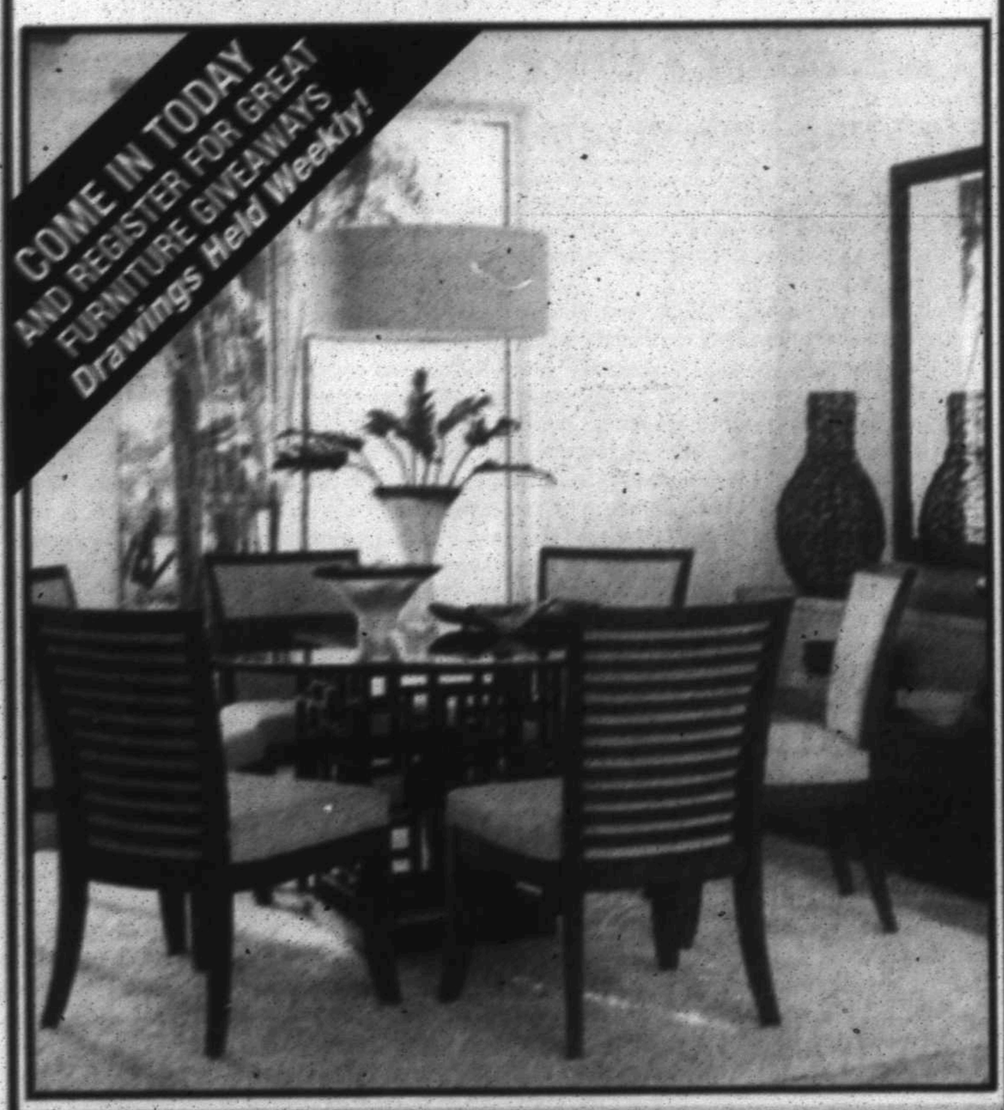
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Can the federal government do whatever it wants or can't it?

■ For decades Congress has done what it wants for the good of the people. Finally a judge said lawmakers reached too far.



WILLIAM MURCHISON
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In news stories about Obamacare, the usual journalistic formulation is, "This will be," "That will be," "Citizens will," "Companies will," etc.

The assumption is that you will, or he will, or whoever will, because as duly enacted and signed into law, Obamacare will — that word again — descend on us at a date certain. A more cautious formulation would be "would" — the subjunctive case. Maybe, maybe not, in its meaning.

I have no quarrel with the journalistic predilection for assuming that what Congress enacts will go into effect. From the looks of things, nonetheless, the state of Obamacare is subjunctive with a capital "S" — the latest indication being the U.S. district court decision this week in Florida, which struck down the whole law as unconstitutional and void.

The mandate to buy health insurance exceeds congressional authority under the power to regulate interstate commerce, says Judge Roger Vinson in a case brought by governors or attorneys general of 26 states. Nor does Vinson buy into the argument that the Constitution's "necessary and proper" clause confers authority on Congress in this instance to set up so vast and far-reaching a scheme. With no language to "sever" an unconstitutional portion of the law from the law as a whole, the scheme as a whole has to go.

U.S. District Judge Henry E. Hudson of Richmond, Va., reached a similar conclusion last year, except that in striking down the purchase mandate, Hudson allowed the rest of the law to stand. Now to the Supreme Court for instruction in the meaning of government.

The constitutionality of the purchase mandate is only by courtesy the central principle at stake. The main question is, can the federal government do whatever it wants to or can't it? There has been plentiful, and healthy, discussion of the question in recent months.

In the eyes of people who see national takeover of health care financing as an essential affair, the mandate is good. That would be because the mandate (on which the takeover depends) strikes them as vital, whatever it may mean for the national government to regulate commercial transactions and incidents among the states. These people's logic — as they see it — fails to move people who don't approve of requiring people to buy something: in the present case, insurance. The "what" in these matters — health care — outranks the "how" — namely, the mandate.

The "how" sounds to many like some complicated and theoretical question from a constitutional law seminar, c. 1920. Not so. The "how" of things in government matters intensely and immediately. That is to say, does the end justify the means? Does it matter how we do things, so long as the things seem to us, broadly speaking, desirable and good? Or does the use of bad means impeach the whole project? We have here one of the great enduring questions of life, never answered entirely to the satisfaction of either side in a given dispute.

Judge Vinson's answer is the answer earlier generations of Americans would have recognized as more fitting than the alternative. It would not have been for these generations a case of finding the purchase mandate evil, barbaric, anything like that. For many, it would have been a case of doubting whether, if Congress can tell you to buy a thing you don't want, any justification exists for calling ours a government of limited powers.

The Constitution was written and ratified by men who saw it as a means both of enabling and restricting government — balancing the requirements of efficiency and freedom. On and on, the warfare has gone between those complementary yet competing concepts.

Since the New Deal, the general idea has been, yes, if Congress wants to do something (e.g., tell farmers what crops they may plant) for the supposed good of all, then such a plan must be good for all. Mustn't it?

It's a bit late in the day, you may think, to reopen that immense and vital question, but sometimes the rule is better late than never.

OUR VIEW

It's hard to prepare for single-digit temperatures

The Permian Basin probably felt prepared for this current winter blast, but coming down from a high in the 70s to a low in the teens in just a few hours shook us all up.

It's not really something you can prepare for. You can talk about it, but when a winter storm like this nails the area, it's a bit surreal. Even feeling the sting of the cold air, we know we missed the brunt of the attack. Most of the snow was north and east of Midland-Odessa.

More snow is possible today, but we don't expect any significant additional accumulation. But this cold air will remain with us probably until Friday. In fact, some weather predictions are being made that the temperature will plunge into the single digits tonight with wind chill factors falling below zero.

That means snow and ice on the ground is not going to melt easily. Streets and overpasses are expected to remain dangerous, and Midlanders need to be cautious when traveling our city streets.

This winter blast is one of the coldest we have had in recent years, and we hope all Midlanders and those across the Permian Basin will respect what this cold front can do. Dress appropriately and drive only as needed. This type of weather presents public safety issues unlike any we face at any other time of year.

Also, take this opportunity to remember there are others in need of a good jacket, clothing, blankets or other items to help stay warm. If you have something to donate, it probably isn't too late.

Comptroller's Office: Education funding system appears corrupt

John Heleman, chief revenue estimator for Comptroller Susan Combs, told Texas legislators Monday that the state's budget woes may not go away even if they come up with a balanced budget later this year.

Heleman says a $10 billion budget shortfall will reappear in future legislative sessions unless they deal with the state's structure for funding education. Currently, most legislators attributed the state's budget woes solely to the economic downturn, but Heleman says the funding system is now corrupt after the creation of the 2006 school finance reform package that lowered local school property taxes and restructured the business tax.

While the state increased funding of public schools by $14 billion in each two-year budget, the revised business tax meant to pay for it has not covered the cost. In the process, many cities have lost much of the local control they once maintained over their local school districts.

This is a bitter pill to swallow, but another reform effort on educational funding may be the only real way to solve Texas' deficit problems. That's not a task we look forward to tackling.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, Feb. 2, the 33rd day of 2011. There are 332 days left in the year. This is Groundhog Day.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 2, 1848, the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, ending the Mexican-American War, was signed.

On this date:

In 1536, present-day Buenos Aires, Argentina, was founded by Pedro de Mendoza of Spain.

In 1653, New Amsterdam — now New York City — was incorporated.

In 1876, the National League of Professional Base Ball Clubs was formed in New York.

In 1882, Irish poet and novelist James Joyce was born near Dublin.

In 1897, fire destroyed the Pennsylvania state capitol in Harrisburg. (A new statehouse was dedicated on the same site in 1906.)

In 1943, the remainder of Nazi forces from the Battle of Stalingrad surrendered in a major victory for the Soviets in World War II.

In 1948, President Harry S. Truman sent a 10-point civil rights program to Congress, where the proposals ran into fierce opposition from southern lawmakers.

In 1961, the hijackers of the Portuguese ocean liner the Santa Maria allowed the passengers and crew to disembark in Brazil, 11 days after seizing the ship. Chinese-American actress Anna May Wong died in Santa Monica, Calif., at age 56.

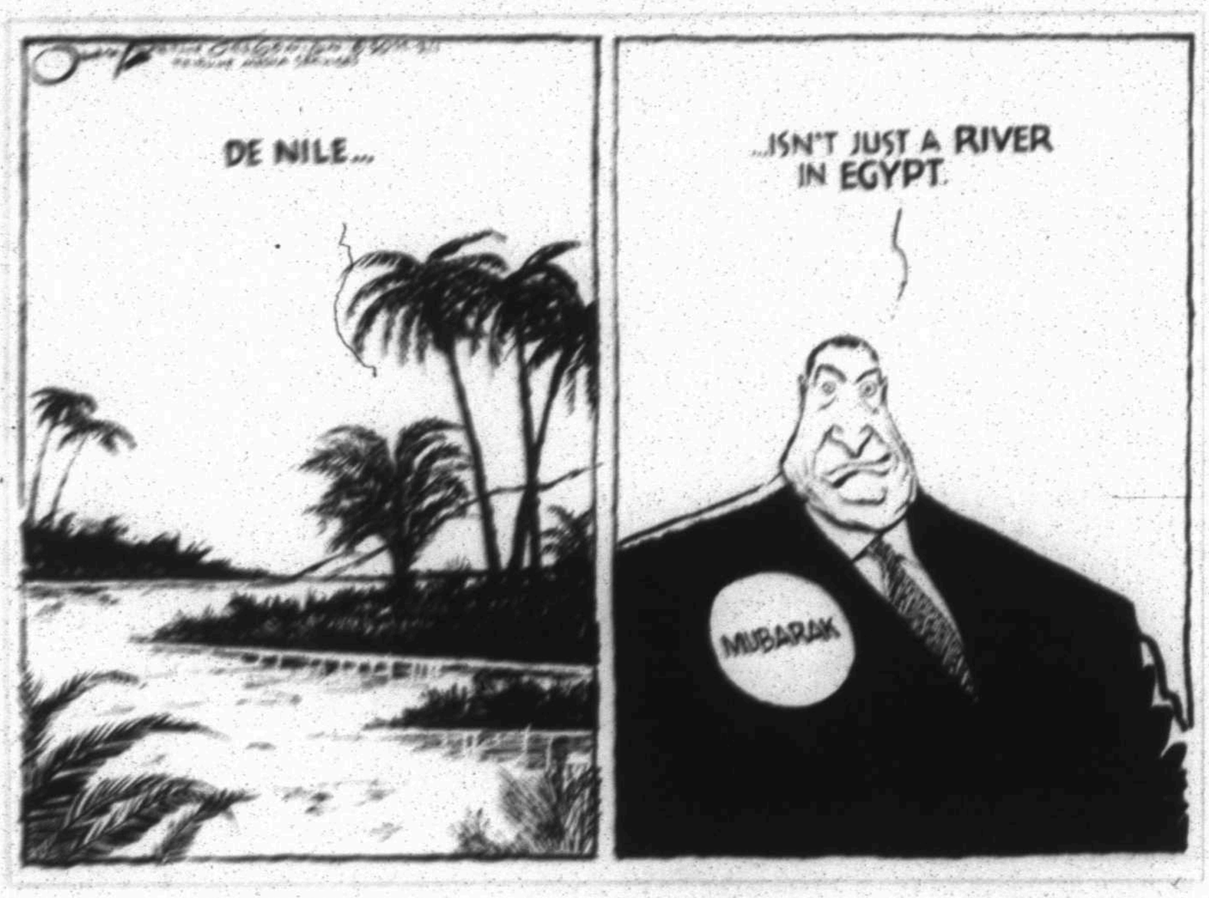
In 1971, Idi Amin, having seized power in Uganda, proclaimed himself president.

In 1990, in a dramatic concession to South Africa's black majority, President F.W. de Klerk lifted a ban on the African National Congress and promised to free Nelson Mandela.

Ten years ago: Former President Bill Clinton and Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., said they would pay for $86,000 worth of White House gifts they'd chosen to keep.

Five years ago: House Republicans elected John Boehner (BAY'-nur) of Ohio as their new majority leader to replace the indicted Tom DeLay. Tornadoes tore through New Orleans neighborhoods that had been hit hard by Hurricane Katrina five months earlier.

One year ago: President Barack Obama, speaking in Nashua, N.H., branded Republicans as electoral opportunists more concerned about their own interests than the people's. The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences unveiled its 2009 Oscar nominees; in a first, 10 films were nominated for best picture instead of five, including eventual winner "The Hurt Locker." Movie producer David Brown, 93, died in New York.



Dealing with the uncertainty of Egypt's revolution

■ While it is easy to appreciate the revolt against Mubarak, the question of what happen's next is difficult to answer.



RICH LOWRY
King Features Syndicate

Every revolution against autocracy is initially stirring. Who wouldn't have cheered when Louis XVI was forced to convene the Estates General, or when a liberal provisional government took over from Czar Nicholas, or when the rank and file of the shah's army refused to fire on protesters in the streets?

All these inspiring events were mere prelude to catastrophe, making the years 1789, 1917 and 1979 synonymous with the onset of tyranny and bloodshed.

This is why our applause at the imminent political demise of Egypt's Hosni Mubarak should be decidedly provisional. For all his ruinous failings and disgusting crimes, we may miss him when he's gone.

In Cairo in 2005, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice famously said we had "pursued stability at the expense of democracy in this region here in the Middle East — and we achieved neither." Her statement is now hailed as prescient, but it was wrong by any reasonable standard.

During the first three decades of Israel's existence, Egypt fought wars with the Jewish state in 1948, 1956, 1967 and 1973. Since the beginning of Hosni Mubarak's presidency in 1981, there have been none. Most of the credit goes to Anwar Sadat, who signed a peace treaty with Israel in 1979 that cost him his life. Yet, a 30-year peace between the largest, most important Arab state and Israel is no small feat of stability.

As for democracy, we didn't actively trade it for order, but took Egyptian political culture as we found it. The scholar Bernard Lewis writes that in the 19th century, both Tunisia and Egypt, then under Ottoman control, experimented with parliamentary reforms. They wanted to ward off the Europeans but couldn't halt a "plunge to bankruptcy, disorder, control and occupation."

After decades of British occupation, the mid-20th century brought the revolution of 1952, and eventually the rise of Gamal Abdel Nasser. Historian David Pryce-Jones calls him "the first Arab to have created a police state," complete with the "whole grim and bloody apparatus of control through bureaucratic terror."

Nasser died in 1970, but his system lived on. Egypt has been ruled by emergency decree almost continuously since 1967. The Egyptian police state didn't exist because of American support (initially it was pro-Soviet); we supported it because it existed, and over time became pro-American.

Yes, we could have done more to try to force Mubarak to create political space for moderate secularists, but other priorities — from the war on terror to the misbegotten peace process — were always deemed more important. If both the "neocon" Bush administration and the "realist" Obama administration ended up adopting the same nonconfrontational posture toward Egypt, it's a sign that inherent forces pulled us in that direction.

What now? It is heartening to see Egyptians revolt against the indignities and misery visited upon them by Mubarak. But marches and riots — and even elections — are one thing. Creating a functioning, liberal democracy is quite another, as we've learned in the hardscrabble political soil of Lebanon and Gaza.

Egypt is neither of those places. It has no experience with true constitutional democracy, though, and its strongest institution is the relatively Westernized military. We should urge Mubarak to leave without attempting a crackdown that will further radicalize the streets and risk splintering the army (the meltdown of the Iranian army in 1979 was a boon to the ayatollahs). Then, with luck, the military can manage a gradual transition to a more open political system.

Egypt is a reminder that the beginning of wisdom in foreign affairs is modesty. The Bush administration undertook a push for democratization that created a tentative democracy at a great cost in Iraq, but otherwise petered out. Weirdly, it may be that the slimy anti-American info-activist Julian Assange, by leaking documents detailing the extravagant corruption of Tunisia's since-deposed dictator, has inadvertently done more to stoke an Arab Spring.

We know how hopeful it is now in its early days; we don't know how it's going to turn out.

DOONESBURY — By Garry Trudeau



MUBARAK SAYS HE WILL STEP DOWN

By Hannah Allam and Shashank Bengali
McClatchy Newspapers

CAIRO — Faced with an unprecedented popular revolt that drew record crowds of protesters to downtown Cairo Tuesday, U.S.-backed Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said he would step down before elections this fall, a humbling end to his 30 years of authoritarian rule.

"I will say, with all honesty and without looking at this particular situation, that I was not intending to stand for the next elections because I've spent enough time serving Egypt," Mubarak said in a televised speech. "I'm now careful to conclude my work for Egypt by presenting Egypt to the next government in a constitutional way."

Mubarak acted after President Barack Obama sent a special envoy to Cairo, urging him not to seek re-election, and following calls from Turkey and Iran to step down.

Obama later telephoned Mubarak, and in a "direct and frank" 30-minute conversation, told him an orderly transition to a new regime had to begin immediately, the White House said. In a nationally televised appearance, Obama all but ignored Mubarak's announcement, declaring that "an orderly transition must be meaningful, must be peaceful and must begin now."

Initial reaction was mostly negative among protesters in Tahrir Square, where earlier Tuesday, hundreds of thousands of Egyptians — more than a million by some estimates — staged a festive rally to demand the president's ouster.

"He's leaving! He's leaving!" some protesters shouted gleefully. More than an hour after he spoke, however, chants continued to echo from Tahrir Square as protesters vowed to keep flooding Egypt's streets until Mubarak heeded their demand to resign immediately.

"We have only one condition: We need Mubarak to be out of our lives," said Mostafa Fathy, 28, an online journalist and activist. "He's supposed to be out of the game now."

The 82-year-old Mubarak appeared to make some concessions to the protesters, saying there should be presidential term limits and fewer restrictions on who can run for public office. But he didn't dissolve parliament, which is filled almost completely with members of his ruling party.

Analysis: Turmoil in Egypt will reshape US role

By Tom Raum
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The protests rocking Egypt could change the political landscape of the entire Arab world and beyond. Possible outcomes range all the way from pro-democracy forces taking charge in Cairo to — in a worst case — an all-out war bringing in Israel and Iran.

In between, there could be a long period of instability that could breed economic chaos across the region and derail economic recoveries in the U.S. and Europe.

In Cairo, embattled President Hosni Mubarak declared to his nation in a televised address Tuesday night that he would not stand for re-election but wouldn't leave office either, determined to stay in power until elections in September. Mubarak declined to rule out his son as a candidate.

Later, President Barack Obama talked by phone to Mubarak for 30 minutes and said in brief remarks at the White House that the Egyptian leader "recognizes that the status quo is not sustainable and that a change must take place."

But, Obama emphasized, he indicated directly to Mubarak that it "is my belief that an orderly transition must be meaningful, it must be peaceful and it must begin now." That appeared to imply that the president was not particularly enthusiastic about Mubarak's decision to wait until September.

Mubarak made his halfway concession as hundreds of thousands of Egyptians gathered in a major square in Cairo to demand an end to his 30-year rule.

Egypt, the world's largest Arab nation, is critically important to U.S. foreign policy and to major goals the Obama administration is pursuing in the Middle East: the Israeli-Palestinian peace process, containment of Iran's influence and nuclear ambitions, counter-terrorism.

"Right now you've got a thousand people in government writing policy memos trying to figure out what's going on," said Aaron David Miller, a former U.S. Mideast peacemaker who is now at the Woodrow Wilson Center think tank. "The three-option memo is standard. Option one is Armageddon. The world is falling apart. American interests will be completely threatened.

"The third option is: Don't worry, boss, this isn't such a big deal.

"It's the middle option, with respect to American interests, that we have to pay serious attention to," Miller said.



Associated Press

CAIRO STREETS A young girl standing on a relative's shoulders leads chants against Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak during the continuing demonstration in Tahrir square in downtown Cairo, Egypt, Tuesday. More than a quarter-million people flooded into the heart of Cairo on Tuesday, filling the city's main square in by far the largest demonstration in a week of unceasing demands for Mubarak to leave after nearly 30 years in power.

The worst case envisions a rise in extremist Muslim factions in Egypt, Tunisia and even Jordan. The Suez Canal and an adjacent pipeline could be closed, the Egyptian-Israeli peace accord renounced, the U.S.-Egyptian diplomatic and military relationship ended.

Iran could move in to fill the vacuum. That could trigger war between Israel and Iran, perhaps involving nuclear weapons. American influence throughout the region would be greatly diminished.

Most Middle East experts and analysts don't think such a doomsday scenario will happen, particularly with encouraging signs of a peaceful transfer of power in Egypt and with the so-far nonviolent nature of the demonstrations.

But there are still many signs of stress and potential problems ahead. And, it's clear, there will be no return to the status quo: The U.S. role in the Middle East has probably been altered forever.

"The consequences of instability in Egypt to the United States are really important," said former diplomatic troubleshooter Nicholas Burns, who was the Bush administration's point man on Iran from 2005 to 2008. "The strategic interests of the United States are on the line."

Mubarak's course of saying he won't seek re-election but won't step down immediately or rule out his son as a candidate "guarantees that the demonstrations will continue," said Danielle Pletka, vice president of foreign and defense policy studies at the American Enterprise Institute, a Washington-based think tank. "Their demand is that Mubarak go now, not that Mubarak go in seven months." However, she said, if Mubarak had made the offer earlier that would have defused the crisis.

In his remarks, Obama emphasized that "it is not the role of any other country to determine Egypt's leaders."

Shibley Telhami, a Mideast scholar at the University of Maryland, said it was important for Obama to "lower our tone" and not appear to get directly involved in the leadership change — for fear of creating an unwelcome backlash.

"The less we make this about America, the better," Telhami said.

Any period of governmental uncertainty, if Egypt goes through a succession of leaders, or if extremist factions gain the upper hand, could keep tensions across the region high for a long period.

Also adding to the uncertainty: The protesters are varied and often have conflicting agendas, ranging from students and grass-roots organizers to online activists to the fundamentalist Muslim Brotherhood that generally wants to form a state governed by Islamic law. The brotherhood is currently banned, but it could gain power in any period of political upheaval. While the Brotherhood claims to have closed its paramilitary wing long ago, it has fought politically to gain power. It has also built a nationwide charity and social network that much of Egypt's population depends on for survival.

"You have to be very careful about instability for a very long period because this is a country where you just have critical problems in food supply and feeding people," said Anthony Cordesman, an expert on the Middle East at the Center for Strategic and international Studies.

All nations in the region, in fact, that aren't big oil-producing states, have problems with poverty and hunger, worries that could be worsened by any destabilizing event, he said. And instability in Egypt could spread to its neighbors.

"In terms of the worst case, the obvious one is that, over time, you see some kind of violent Islamic extremist takeover. The second worst case is that you see the government survive in a form so repressive that basically every passing month creates even more pressure for change and even more anger at the regime and at the United States," said Cordesman, a former director of intelligence assessment in the Pentagon.

A confidential June 2005 U.S. government diplomatic cable, posted online Tuesday by the WikiLeaks organization, showed that the U.S. has long been concerned that Egypt faced a succession crisis.

Questions about Mubarak's age and health, the cable said, "have made presidential succession a core national issue."

It isn't clear how much clout will be wielded by Mohamed ElBaradei, the Nobel-prize winning former director of the International Atomic Energy Agency, who has emerged over the past few days as the leading opposition leader.

"This is so complex because the Egyptian opposition has so many faces," said Peter Morici, a University of Maryland business professor and former chief economist at the U.S. International Trade Commission.

For instance, Morici noted, while ElBaradei is a clear favorite of the West, he has been "quite critical of Egypt's support for the Israeli blockade of Gaza."

Morici said overhanging the whole issue of possible ramifications is the possibility of a tightening of oil supplies by oil-producing states that might be unhappy with the turn of events in Egypt's governance.

With just a 5 percent reduction in production, "you could hit $120 a barrel and that's $4 a gallon gasoline." That could torpedo a still fragile recovery, he said.

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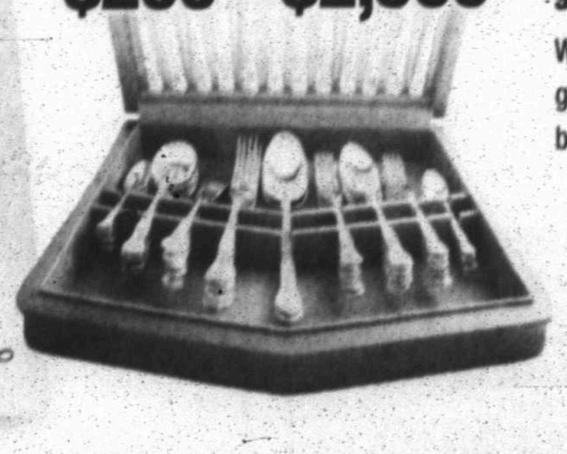
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Police watch for sex trafficking ahead of Sunday's big game

By Angela K. Brown
Associated Press

ARLINGTON — As thousands of football fans descend on Texas for Sunday's Super Bowl, law enforcement agencies are keeping watch for a different kind of out-of-town visitor: pimps selling children for sex.

Cities that host the big game often attract a bustling sex trade. This year, Texas authorities and advocacy groups are stepping up their anti-prostitution efforts, especially where young girls are concerned.

"Most people don't know that our children are being brutalized this way, and we have to stop it," said Deena Graves, founder of Traffick911, a Texas organization that launched the "I'm Not Buying It" campaign for Super Bowl XLV. "We need to get mad. We need to get angry about what's happening to our kids right here."

For weeks, volunteers have been canvassing neighborhoods in Dallas and other cities, distributing door hangers and posters with information. Others have placed coasters in restaurants and bars. Traffick911 has also made public-service announcements, some featuring current and former NFL players.

"As a man and as a father of two beautiful girls, I'm not buying it — and neither should you," Dallas Cowboys nose tackle Jay Ratliff says in one television ad. "If you're one of these men buying these young girls, I'm telling you that real men don't buy children. They don't buy sex."

Pimps hawking young girls see the thousands of men who travel to the Super Bowl each year as a gold mine of potential clients. Police in and around host cities have tried for years to crack down on prostitution by

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LM Otero/AP

SUPER BOWL SEX TRADE In this photo from Jan. 27, anti-sex trade advocates Jackie Edmonds, center, and Mary Thrasher, left, ask restaurant manager Amanda Housley to display anti-sex trafficking awareness literature during an outreach program near the Super Bowl site in Arlington. Cities that host the big game often attract a bustling sex trade, and this year Texas authorities and advocacy groups are stepping up their anti-prostitution efforts, especially where young girls are concerned.

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Life hasn't always been easy for Clayton and Modesta Williams

I spent an enjoyable couple of hours with Clayton Williams and his wife, Modesta, the other day. They are extremely happy and settled. Both easily laugh at the world and each other. They really are like a couple of kids, especially Claytie. His perpetual smile and good humor bounces off the walls of his offices in their ClayDesta business complex in Midland. It was Modesta's job to decorate the edifice when it was built.

"I gave her an unlimited budget, and she went over it 43 percent," Clayton said.

Claytie and Modesta both are hunters and hold world records in different breeds of wild mountain sheep. He started early shooting rabbits and mule deer while growing up in Fort Stockton. Modesta, who comes from a ranching family, didn't like guns at first, but learned to be a crack shot.

"She's tougher than most men," said her husband.

Clayton Williams is short of stature and wiry. He weighs around 150 pounds and bounces all over the place between the phone and his boardroom. He continually talks about his wife's beauty.

"Marrying her was the smartest thing I ever did," he said.

They both love to brag on their children and grandkids. Claytie says a good marriage is like a campfire. "You need to tend it every once in awhile. Same with a family."



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

AWARD WINNER Clayton Williams is shown in this file photo with the Hearst Energy Award he won in 2009.



Courtesy of Midland County Republican Women's Club

BIG GAME HUNTER Modesta Willams poses with the Nile crocodile she killed in Ethiopia that is on display at her Midland home.

Life hasn't always been easy for the couple, which has coped with ups and downs in the oil business and a fizzled campaign for governor. But Claytie is able to purge on through, calling his down times learning experiences.

He said you've got to find something to smile about during adversity.

"I've been blessed with the attitude that has been with me forever and that's work hard and play hard. I like to laugh even when things don't go well. Like when the screwworms got to cattle and bollworms got the cotton. There's always something bad happening. You make fun of your difficulties. The only place where a sense of humor does not apply is politics."

His father and grandfather,both were surveyors and curious about the world.

"It fell my duty to become an explorationist,"said Clayton. "My forebears always wanted to know what was over the next hill. I want to know what's over yonder — maybe we need to drill."

Claytie is the champion Aggie and has given Texas A&M lots of money, regardless of his financial condition.

"I gave the school a former student center and that's where I had to sell my best company to make the last payment. I have trouble saying no when somebody wants something. I'd have made a terrible girl."

He said scouting taught him some strong principles. "I can borrow money from just about any bank because I paid them back, even when it was tough. It's just part of being a responsible, solid citizen."

Clayton Williams had planned to run his daddy's ranch after college and the Army, but his dad sold the ranch. Clayton got a job selling insurance.

"I did pretty good until I ran out of friends and kinfolks."

A friend talked him into going into the oil business in 1957. For the next 25 years, oil went up every year.

Ice storm slams North Texas before Super Bowl

By Angela K. Brown
Associated Press

FORT WORTH — A massive ice storm caused traffic accidents and power outages in North Texas on Tuesday but didn't stop festivities leading up to this weekend's Super Bowl.

Two die-hard Green Bay Packers fans had to postpone their 800-mile drive in a Cadillac convertible for at least a day as the monster system threatened to leave about a third of the nation covered in a hodge-podge of harsh weather, reaching from Texas to New England.

"We love driving in the snow," said Dieter Sturm, 55, of Lake Geneva, Wis. "We can handle that without a problem. The icy roads are another story."

He and Mark Madson, 58, of Clinton, Wis., were to leave Wednesday, a day later than they planned, but were determined to go on the road trip although they don't yet have tickets to Sunday's game that pits the Packers against the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Madson's 1978 yellow Eldorado has "Super Bowl or Bust" and "Packer Mobile" painted on it, a surf board on top, bull horns mounted on the front hood — and a snow machine in the back, which they plan to use on the drive to Texas.

"What's better to actually take a road trip to the Super Bowl in an open-top convertible Cadillac through

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WINTER WEATHER Third-grade student Nicole Tiffany, 9, runs in blowing snow and freezing cold Tuesday to Sleepy Hollow Elementary School in Amarillo. A monster storm began to bear down on the middle of the nation Tuesday, threatening to leave up to a third of the nation covered in brutal winter weather.

Trustees want flexibility to cut teacher pay

By Jim Vertuno
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Texas school districts are seeking the flexibility to cut teacher pay or have furloughs in order to save money and avoid layoffs.

With districts facing massive budget cuts as a result of a state shortfall estimated to be at least $15 billion, district officials say they are hamstrung by state rules that generally prevent decreasing pay for teachers. A consultant for the districts recently estimated that budget cuts could force up to 100,000 teacher layoffs.

Karen Ellis of the Richardson school board and vice president of the Texas Association of School Boards told the Senate Education Committee on Tuesday that districts want to avoid layoffs that would be "bad for students, bad for the economy."

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Brothers get prison in oilfield embezzlement case

By Audrie Palmer
Staff Writer

Two brothers who stood trial last fall for embezzling more than $2.6 million from their employer were sentenced today in federal court to less than five years each.

Gary Gardenhire and Jerrod Gardenhire were found guilty of six counts each of mail fraud and one count each of conspiracy to commit mail fraud on Sept. 30 by a federal court jury after a four-day trial. They were ages 36 and 34, respectively, at the time of their June 2010 arrests.

Prosecutors told the court last fall the Gardenhires had devised a scheme to embezzle more than $2.6 million from Gary Gardenhire's business partner, Larry Webb. The two co-owned The Hose Connection and would have customers send payments for hydraulic hoses and oilfield equipment to another company the brothers had established.

Two co-defendants in the case, Cody Dale Eckel and Fred Welch Foster, who accepted a percentage when they helped to invoice payments from their employers to the Gardenhires' company, previously

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Obituaries



Billie Jean Beck

Billie Jean Beck, of Midland, passed away Saturday, January 29, 2011.

She was born July 6, 1929 in Plainview, TX to Clyde and Thelma Callaway. She worked at El Paso Natural Gas for 10 years, and numerous oil companies and lawyers over the years. After retirement she was a Pink Lady for Midland Memorial Hospital for over 20 years. Her hobbies included crafts, ceramics, needle point, bowling and traveling.

Billie is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Harold Beck; step-son, Tom Beck.

She is survived by sons, Hank Beck and Kyle Roy; step-daughters, Chrissy Proctor, Susan Gardner and Kay Edwards; sisters, Wynell Adams and Bobbie Boyd.

The family will receive friends at Ellis Funeral Home Tuesday, February 1, 2011 between the hours of 6:00 and 8:00 P.M. Services have been scheduled for 10:00 A.M. Wednesday, February 2, 2011 at St. Luke's United Methodist Church with Reverend Kathryn Boren officiating. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. Condolences may be offered at www.ellisfunerals.com.

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Tommie Stene Williams

Today we mourn the passing of our beloved mother, grandmother, sister and friend Mrs. Tommie Stene Williams. On September 10, 1933, Tommie was born to Steve and Tommie Francis Nicholson in Vernon, Texas. In 1952, she and her husband Robert Eugene Williams Sr. moved their family to Odessa, Texas. Along side her dearly departed husband, they worked hard to craft a life pleasing to God and their family. She served in the community as a dynamic entrepreneur by co?founding two successful businesses. The impact of these ventures, Williams Apartments and Williams Paving & Excavation Inc., continue to work to create opportunity in the Midland Odessa area and beyond. Tommie, a member of Greater St. John Baptist Church, Odessa TX, served and uplifted all those around her. Her legacy lives on in the lives of her children Robert Jr. and wife, Anna, Dinah Ward, Janice and husband Edward Pierce, and Edward and wife Deborah, and ten grandchildren and ten great grandchildren all of Odessa TX. In addition, she is survived by two brothers, Jesse and Steve Nicholson of Midland, TX and a host of relatives and friends. On January 29, 2011 at 9:41 am, a dove flew into the sunset to spend eternity in peace and victory with the God she faithfully served.

Funeral services are scheduled for 11:00 AM Thursday, February 3, 2011 at Sunset Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with C. J. Miller officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

The family would like to express their heartfelt thanks to all in the medical community for their excellent care of our mother and to our friends for their wonderful prayers and support during this time.

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

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Death Notices

Barbara Morgan

Barbara Ann "Nana" Morgan, died on Jan. 30.

Services will be on Wednesday, Feb. 2 at 2:00 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Church in Andrews. Burial will follow in Andrews North Cemetery under the direction of McNett Funeral.

Survived by husband, Jim Morgan; children, Jimmie (Tonie) Morgan, Sherine (Sean) Cassidy, Tony (Kelley) Morgan, Tonia (Rick) Ballard and Shawn (Tina) Morgan; 17 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; brothers, Gayland (Linda) Turnbow, Danny (Linda) Turnbow; 2 aunts; many, cousins, nieces and nephews.

Benigna Montez

Benigna Salgado Montez, 81, of Stanton, died on Sunday, Jan. 30, in Big Spring.

Services will be at 2:00 p.m., Friday, Feb. 4, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Stanton. Interment will follow at St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery, Stanton. Rosary will be at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 3, at 407 St. Teresa, Stanton. Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

Survived by children, Selia Armendarez, Christina Reyes, Isabel Mejia, Mary DeLaRosa, Frances Perez, Aida Montez, Ruth Ramirez, Raymond Montez, Ruben Montez and Luis Montez; thirty-nine grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren; brother, Ismael Salgado.

Gary Powell

Gary Powell, 67, died on Monday, Jan. 31, in Odessa.

Private services will be held at a later date. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Sunset Funeral Home.

Survived by son, Levi Powell; brother, Thomas Gayle.

Jerry Moore

Jerry Gene Moore, of Midland, died on Tuesday, Feb. 1.

Services are pending with Talley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

Maria Zambuto

Maria Zambuto, 45, died on Friday, Jan. 28.

Service will be Friday, Feb. 4, at 3:00 p.m. at Heavenly Gate Funeral Home Chapel. Pastor Gilbert Bela will officiate. Funeral services are under the direction of Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home.

Survived by sons, Paul Vasquez and Joseph Vasquez; mother, Janet Zambuto; brother, Tony Zambuto; sister, Heather McCabe; two grandchildren and numerous nephews, nieces and cousins.

Naoma Bryant

Naoma Charlene Bryant, 56, died on Monday, Jan. 31, in Odessa.

Services will be held at a later date. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Sunset Funeral Home.

Survived by daughter, Tiffiny Dunnam (Brad); one granddaughter; brothers, Chris Condorn and Mackie Crossan; many nieces and nephews.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Violation of parole:
Carmen Marcella Coronado, 23, of Midland, was arrested Monday by Midland police in the 500 block of Veterans Airpark Lane on a charge of violation of parole.

Violation of probation, possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram:
Sergio Enriquez, 22, of Midland, was arrested Monday by Midland County deputies at the Midland County Detention Center on a charge of violation of probation and a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Driving while intoxicated:
Willie L. Hawkins Jr., 51, of Midland, was arrested Monday by Midland police in the 4000 block of West Wadley Avenue on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

Violation of probation:
Freddy Joe Hinojosa, 33, of Stanton, was arrested Monday by Midland County deputies in Howard County on two charges of violation of probation.

Failure to comply with duties of sex offender registration:
Russell Francis Huertas, 29, of Midland, was arrested Monday by Midland County deputies at the federal courthouse on a charge of failure to comply with duties of sex offender registration.

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Burglary of a habitation:
Darrin James Loschiavo, 18, of Odessa, was arrested Monday by Midland County deputies in Ector County on a charge of burglary of a habitation.

Possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram:
Andres Keyon Roman, 30, of Odessa, was arrested Monday by Department of Public Safety troopers on Business Interstate 20 on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Engaged in organized criminal activity:
William Eric Stirman, 17, of Midland, was arrested Monday by Midland County deputies at the intersection of South County Road 1129 and East County Road 96 on four charges of engaged in organized criminal activity.

Burglary of a habitation:
John H. White, 19, of Midland, was arrested Monday by Midland County deputies at the Midland County Detention Center on a charge of burglary of a habitation.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

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conducting stings or increasing patrols during Super Bowl week. Only in recent years have underage girls come to light in increasing numbers.

"This is a very large issue. We want people to know what human trafficking looks like," said Thomas Lawrence, an assistant Dallas police chief. Last year's Super Bowl in Miami drew as many as 10,000 prostitutes, including children and human trafficking victims, police said.

Before the big game in 2008, Phoenix police broke up a child prostitution ring involving several teenagers. The following year in Tampa, two men were arrested for advertising the services of a 14-year-old as a "Super Bowl special." They were sentenced to federal prison.

Last year, a Hawaii man was sentenced to more than 20 years in federal prison for taking a teenager with him to Miami and forcing her to work as a prostitute.

To deter men from the temptations of readily available prostitutes, Arlington police have put up an electronic billboard near Cowboys Stadium featuring four men's mug shots with the message, "Dear John, You Never Know! This could be you."

Tekla Roberts, who was a prostitute for nearly 10 years after starting as a teenager, said she raked in the most cash during major golf tournaments, NASCAR races and some pro playoff games in North Texas. She said she met "johns" after advertising her services in publications and online and hanging out in hotels near the venues.

During those sporting events, she remembers seeing an influx of underage girls from out of town being sold for sex by their pimps.

"I would have so many more customers, but I would see pimps with their young girls, too," said Roberts, 32, who gave up the sex trade about six years ago. "My self-esteem was so low, and I remember telling myself it was temporary , and then I would make so much money around these events."

Advocacy groups and the North Texas Trafficking Task Force are focused on underage victims coming to Dallas ahead of Sunday's game between the Pittsburgh Steelers and the Green Bay Packers. They say pimps who engage in human trafficking place ads for escorts with out-of-town contact numbers and rent houses or buses for parties featuring underage girls.

Advocates say many Americans do not realize child sex trafficking happens in the United States, not just overseas. The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children estimates that at least 100,000 children in the U.S. are victims of prostitution each year.

For years, some Texas cities have been trying to stop the cycle of runaways who become child prostitutes. Dallas police have taken a new approach by treating them as victims. Many are too afraid to seek help or too brainwashed to turn in their pimps.

"We've had to change the way we talk to kids," said Sgt. Byron Fassett, who leads the Dallas department's high-risk victims unit. "Just because a child has made some bad decisions doesn't mean someone has the right to take advantage of that."

Roberts, the former prostitute, hopes the awareness campaign tied to this year's Super Bowl will help change society's perceptions of underage girls in the sex trade.

"I believed that I was making a choice. You have to tell yourself that to survive," she said. "I want people to see these girls as victims. They're not criminals, not bad kids. They are lost and broken."



Courtesy of Dieter Sturm

LOADED UP AND NOT TRUCKING In this photo taken Jan. 31, and provided courtesy of Dieter Sturm, Sturm, left, and Mark Madson stand near Madson's "Packer Mobile" outside Lambeau Field home of the Green Bay Packers football team in Green Bay, Wis. The car is a Cadillac convertible they plan to drive to Texas for Super Bowl XLV. They were going to leave Tuesday, but because of the ice associated with a winter snowstorm, they plan to leave today.

WEATHER

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the wintertime? This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity," Sturm said.

Bad weather didn't stop separate events Tuesday in Fort Worth and Las Colinas, where each team was presented a handmade saddle by Leddy's. Most star-studded Super Bowl parties were planned for the weekend, and both teams arrived in the Dallas area a day before Tuesday's storm that caused hundreds of car accidents, school closings and flight cancelations.

Officials who have been planning Super Bowl XLV at Cowboys Stadium in Arlington said most fans had already planned to travel later in the week. Temperatures in the Dallas area were not expected to rise above freezing until Saturday, and Sunday's forecast called for highs in the mid-50s.

"I think that this is a minor bump in the road," said Tony Fay, spokesman for the North Texas Super Bowl Host Committee. "It's not going to slow down the party at all."

Terry Clower, director of the University of North Texas' Center for Economic Development and Research, said the winter storm would not hurt the Super Bowl's economic boom because spending starts weeks before the big game with party and other event preparations, and doesn't end until after the cleanup.

Part of ice-coated Interstate 35 in Dallas County was closed in both directions for a couple of hours Tuesday after 17 tractor-trailers became stuck or jackknifed, said county spokeswoman Kim-Leach. No injuries were reported, but the southbound lanes could not be immediately opened because fuel from one of the 18-wheelers had to be cleaned up before sand trucks could come in, Leach said.

Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport was closed for about two hours Tuesday morning and some 500 flights were canceled throughout the day. An electric provider, Oncor, reported nearly 27,000 customers without power statewide — nearly half in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

In Dallas, the ice and snow proved to be too heavy for a large tent on the Cotton Bowl field. No one was injured when the tent "came down quicker than we wanted to," and officials planned to put it back up Wednesday before the weekend XLV Party, said Ariana Hajibashi, the party publicist.

In Southeast Texas, there was no snow but winds reaching 70 mph damaged some structures. The weather service reported trees down and roofs ripped off buildings in areas near Huntsville and Cleveland.

Farther west, some counties in the Panhandle reported a few inches of snow, and temperatures in some cities were in the single digits by Tuesday afternoon.

As much of 8 inches of snow had fallen about 100 miles north of Dallas by mid-Tuesday, more than anywhere else in the state. Forecasters called for flurries of snow Wednesday and a slight chance of snow Friday, but said the biggest problem was ice- and snow-covered roads that would not thaw out anytime soon.

Thousands of Super Bowl visitors by early Wednesday morning were to shiver through the lowest temperatures to hit the Dallas-Fort Worth area 15 years, according to the National Weather Service. Single-digit lows expected Wednesday morning would be the first since February 1996, meteorologist Daniel Huckaby said.

A storm with snow and ice is not unusual for North Texas each winter, although the climate can be moderate. Highs were in the mid-70s just days ago.

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Buffalo Trail Council, Boy Scouts of America elects board chair, officers

From staff reports

The Buffalo Trail Council, Boy Scouts of America elected a new board chair and officers for 2011 at its annual meeting recently.

Deana Savage replaces John Hood as board chair. Savage has strong ties to both Midland and Odessa. She has lived in both communities, which helps her have a better understanding of their challenges and commonality.

Annually, representatives of local Scouting groups along with current board members gather to receive a report on the state of Scouting in the Basin and to hold elections for new board members and officers. Twelve men and women volunteer their time as officers. They are: Savage, David Garcia, James Newman, Steve Thomas, Gary Wood, Charles House, Ralph Truszkowski, John Hood of Midland; Bill Houston and Anne Stafford of Andrews; David Shipman and Ted Hogan of Odessa.

"They provide for the governance and oversight of the council operations," Scout executive Lyman Gifford said. "Together, they strategize the best methods for delivery of the Buffalo Trail Council mission.

"We cover 18 counties and several communities serving over 7,000 youth and their families from throughout the basin. Our goal by the end of 2012 is to serve more than 8,400 youth. With a nearly 60 percent growth during the past four years this growth initiative is within reach."

Teachers win state awards

From staff reports

Three Midland Independent School District educators will be recognized Thursday with statewide awards from the Texas Classroom Teachers Association.

Trudie Thomason, principal of Bowie Fine Arts Academy, has been named the 2010-11 administrator of the year in the elementary school category.

Linda Hancock, librarian at San Jacinto Junior High School, has been named the 2010-11 leader of the year.

Virginia Conner, former teacher at Abell Junior High School and Lee High School, was recognized as the 2010-11 retiree of the year.

They were selected based on nominations submitted by the Midland Classroom Teachers Association, a local affiliate of TCTA.

The educators will be honored at the AT&T Conference Center in Austin. The last time an MISD educator was a TCTA statewide award recipient was during the 2005-06 school year.

Pay

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But she said districts may have no choice without budget relief. Ellis said Richardson Independent School District is facing a loss of $54 million in state money under budgets proposed in the House and Senate. Ellis said she didn't know how many cuts her district might make or how many it might avoid with a salary cut.

Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, chairwoman of the education committee, filed a bill Tuesday she said would give school districts more flexibility in their budgets, including the pay issue. But she acknowledged that so far it lacks specifics.

Shapiro sounded receptive to the idea of pay cuts or furloughs if it means avoiding firing teachers.

"I bet even teachers would agree they don't want to lose their jobs," Shapiro said.

Typical teacher contracts run for a minimum of 187 days with 180 days of instruction.

Clay Robison, spokesman for Texas State Teachers Association, said teachers understand the tough economic position facing the state and local districts. They want lawmakers to dip into the state's savings reserve, known as the Rainy Day Fund to avoid education cutbacks or find new revenue sources.

On pay cuts and furloughs, Robison said, "We don't like them."

On possible teacher firings: "We really, really don't like them," he said.

Republican Gov. Rick Perry and GOP lawmakers, who hold majorities in the House and Senate, have said they can balance the budget without raising taxes this session.

School districts also said they need relief from a 27-year-old law that restricts class size in kindergarten through fourth grade to 22 students. Keeping that ratio would mean most teacher layoffs would be in high school, they said.

Texas Comptroller Susan Combs has estimated that easing class size restrictions would save hundreds of millions of dollars. Teacher groups say larger classes would reverse academic gains and could eliminate up to 12,000 jobs.

Combs, a Republican, recommends scrapping the 22-student limit and replacing it with a 22-student "average" standard.

Sen. Wendy Davis, a Fort Worth Democrat, said any discussions about teacher pay cuts should be temporary. If approved, they should be readdressed when the economic picture is brighter, she said.

Budget cuts should not mean cutting the quality of public education, Davis said.

"I worry that a funding crisis will be used as a vehicle to make changes in the way we've done things, and believe are the right way to do things, for a long time," Davis said.

Teachers at least want to have a say in the discussions, Robison said.

"They really shouldn't give superintendents whatever they want carte blanche," Robison said.

Perry names 2 new UT regents

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Gov. Rick Perry has reappointed Brenda Pejovich to the University of Texas System Board of Regents.

He also named replacements for regents Colleen McHugh and Janiece Longoria, whose terms expired Tuesday. Their successors are Austin oilman Alex Cranberg and Dallas engineer Wallace Hall.

All three will serve a term to expire in February 2013, subject to Texas Senate confirmation.

Pejovich, chief executive officer of BFG Management Company LLC, is a board member of the Texas Public Policy Foundation and the Texas Business Hall of Fame Foundation. She is a former member of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.


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Channels	5	9	8	2	7	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy! (N)	Wheel of Fortune (N)	The Middle (N)	The Middle (N)	Modern Family	(2H) Cougar Town	Off the Map (N)		News	(:35) Nightline (N)	(:06) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	CBS 7 News at 6	Entertainment Tonight	Listo to Dance (N)	Criminal Minds (N)			Blue Bloods "Hall of Mirrors" (N)		CBS 7 News at 10	(:35) Late Show With David Letterman	Late	
KWWT CW	5	34		5	34	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	Nikita "Fred" Nikita reveals a secret.		The Vampire Diaries "The Descent"		Married... With	Married... With	The King of Queens	The King of Queens	South Park "TBD"	South Park
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	American Idol Hopefuls perform for the judges.		Human Target "The Trouble With Harry" (N)		The Simp sons	How I MetMother	How I MetMother	Everybody Raymond	Law & Order: Victims Unit "Intoxi	Special
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Faye Hardin	Rico Cortes	Update News	House Call	Light of the Southwest Authors: musicians (N)				Uri Harel	Dr. Brad Young	Jim Staley	Biblical Israel
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	News (N)	Be a Millionaire	Minute to Win It (N)		Chase "Father Figure" (N)		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Fight" (N)		News (N)	(:35) The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (N)	Late Night	
KBPT PBS	13	13		13	6	PBS NewsHour (N)	Nova scienceNOW (N)	Nova sciencenOW (N)		WOW: Clean materials that may power devices.		Green Builders Environmental friendliness		Charlie Rose (N)	BBC World News (N)	Tavis Smiley (N)	
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Llena de Amor (N)		Eva Luna (N)		Triunfo del Amor (N)		La Rosa de Guadalupe (N)		Noticias Telex	Noticiero Univision	La Verdad Oculta (N)	
MyTV	16	16		16		Earl	Smarter	College Basketball: Nebraska at Kansas State. (Live)					My News		Burn Notice (N)	Burn Notice (N)	
FLIX	340	65		265		** "El Mariachi"		**** "Tootsie" (1982) Dustin Hoffman. (N)				** "Some Kind of Hero" (1982)			(:45) ** "Underdog Heroes" (1995)		
HBO	300	60	59	56	16	"He's Just Not"		Big Love "Winter" (N)		Big Love (N)		Big Love (N)		Real Time/Bill Maher		"President Alien"	
HBO2	302	61	15	101	23	"Beverly Hills Cop"		"President is Remember: Kennedy"		"The Special Relationship" (2010)				Funny, Die	** "Brüno" (2009)		
HBO5	304	75	16	102		** "Pirate Radio" (2009) Bill Nighy. (N)				** "Enough" (2002) Jennifer Lopez. (N)				"GasLand" (2010) Josh Fox.			Jennifer's
MAX	280	77	17	120	24	"Sherlock Holmes"		(:15) ** "Daredevil" (2003) Ben Affleck. PG-13				** "The Lovely Bones" (2009) Mark Wahlberg. PG-13					Sin City
MAX2	282	72	18	122		*** "Ocean's Eleven" (2001)				** "Brown Sugar" (2002) Taye Diggs.				(9:56) Lingerie "Lipstick & Lace"			12 Rounds
PLEX			60			Wagon Tr.	Have Gun	(:56) Gunsmoke		***"Hombre" (1967) Paul Newman.				*** "Rancho Notorious" (1952)			Great Raid
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	(5:00) ** "Soul Man"		Episodes	Californ.	Inside the NFL (N)		Shameless (TV)		Inside the NFL		"Hard-Rocks"	
TMC	350	67	22	105	26	(5:00) ** "Valkyrie"		"Group Sex" (2010) Josh Cooke.				(:35) ** "Fanboys" (2009) PG-13		(:05) ** "New York, I Love You" (2010)			

Channels	5	9	8	2	7	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	The First 48 "Get That Money Sensational"		Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter	Storage Wars (N)	Storage Wars (N)	Storage Wars (N)	Storage Wars	Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter
AMC	40	27	23	42	51	"Chronicles-Ridd"		* "Evil Wounds" (2001) Steven Seagal. DMX.						** "Demolition Man" (1993) Sylvester Stallone.			Break-Bad
BET	56	25		40		106 & Park-Top 10 Live		** "Barbershop" (2002, Comedy) Ice Cube.				The Game	The Game	The Mo'Nique Show		Wendy Williams Show	
BRAV	60	63		41		Top Chef (N)		Top Chef (N)		Top Chef (N)		Top Chef (N)		Top Chef (N)		Top Chef	
CNBC	46	45		36	72	The Kudlow Report (N)		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed (N)		Mad Money		American Greed	
CNN	43	24	21	30	56	John King, USA (N)		Parker Spitzer (N)		Piers Morgan Tonight		Anderson Cooper 360 (N)				Piers Morgan Tonight	
DISC	38	20	31	24	42	MythBusters (N)		Black Ops Brothers		Sons	Sons	Desert Car Kings (N)		Black Ops Brothers		Sons	Sons
DISN	36	27	26	25	36	SuiteDeck	SuiteDeck	** "Sky High" (2005, PG)			Fish Hooks	SuiteDeck	SuiteDeck	Wizards	Wizards	Hannah	Hannah
ESPN	32	29	40	31	30	College Basketball Teams TBA. (Live)				College Basketball Duke at Maryland. (Live)				SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter Special	
ESPN2	34	28	45	32	31	College Basketball Teams TBA. (Live)				College Basketball Missouri at Oklahoma State.				College Basketball Nevada at Utah State. (Live)			
FAM	53	34	34	45	33	Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		Funniest Home Videos		The 700 Club (N)		Whose?	Whose?
FNC	45	58	53	33	55	FOX Report		The O'Reilly Factor (N)		Hannity (N)		Greta Van Susteren		The O'Reilly Factor (N)		Hannity	
FOOD	64	55	27	56	54	Iron Chef America		Bobby Flay	Bobby Flay	Worst Cooks		Restaurant: Impossible		Diners	Diners	Worst Cooks	
FSSW	37	43	50	46	29	Mavericks Live (Live)	NBA Basketball Dallas Mavericks at New York Knicks. From Madison Square Garden in New York. (Subject to Blackout)					Mavericks Live (Live)		SW Sign Day	College Basketball USC at UCLA. (Live)		
FX	31	31	39	44	60	Two Men	Two Men	*** "Tropic Thunder" (2008) Ben Stiller, Jack Black.						** "Step Brothers" (2008, Comedy) Will Ferrell.			Two Men
HALL	54	40	52		34	The Boss	The Boss	Little House on Prairie		"Flower Girl" (2009) Maria Sokoloff. (N)				Gold Girls	Gold Girls	Gold Girls	Gold Girls
HGTV	63	50	25	48	44	Hunters	House	Property	Property	Disaster	Disaster	House	Hunters	Vanilla	Vanilla	Disaster	Disaster
HIST	71	52	35	45		MonsterQuest (N)	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Bigfoot: The Definitive Guide (N)				MonsterQuest (N)		Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars
LIFE	28	23	33	28	48	How I MetMother	How I MetMother	Reba (N)	Reba "So Far" (N)	"Reviving Ophelia" (2010, Drama) Jane Kaczmarek, Kim Dickens, Nick Thurston. (N)				How I MetMother	How I MetMother	Frasier (N)	Frasier (N)
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Hardball Matthews		Countdown		Rachel Maddow Show		The Last Word		Countdown		Rachel Maddow Show	
NICK	15	36	29	39	37	iCarly	SpongeBob	My Wife	My Wife	Chris	Chris	Loges	Loges	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny	The Nanny
SPIKE	35	22	55	53	58	UFC 126 Countdown (N)		UFC Unleashed		MANswers	MANswers	MANswers	MANswers	MANswers	MANswers	UFC 105: Couture vs.	
SYFY	66	64	41	57	57	Face Off		Ghost Hunters (N)		Ghost Hunters Inter.		Face Off		Ghost Hunters Inter.		Face Off	
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Meet the Browns	Meet the Browns	House of Payne	House of Payne	Are We There Yet?	Are We There Yet?	Conan (N)		Lopez Tonight (N)	
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	"The Moon is Blue"		**** "Five Easy Pieces" (1970, Drama)						**** "Terms of Endearment" (1983, Drama) Shirley MacLaine.			Easy Rider
TELE	20	9	10	20		Caso Cerrado: Edición		Aurora (N)		Henderos-Monte		Alguien te Mira (N)		Noticiero	Decisiones (N)	Decisiones	
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	The Tiniest Girl in the World (N)	World's Tallest Children (N)			My Strange Addiction	My Strange Addiction	Toddlers & Tiaras "Groovy Girls" (N)		My Strange Addiction	My Strange Addiction	Toddlers & Tiaras "Groovy Girls" (N)	
TNT	26	23	46	26	50	Bones The remains of a hoarder are discovered.		Bones A death at a rock 'n' roll fantasy camp.		Bones A skull is found in a socialite's home.		Bones Human remains are found by a railroad.		Southland "The Weak"		CSI: NY "Zoo York" (N)	
TVL	48	48	35	54	35	Sanford	Sanford	Sanford	Sanford	Raymond	Raymond	Cleveland	Retired at	Cleveland	Retired at	Raymond	Raymond
USA	29	30	42	27	49	NCIS "Frozen Horse" A murder victim, in a car.		NCIS "Ignition" A Navy pilot is found dead. (N)		NCIS Gibbs questions DiNozzo's ability.		NCIS An assassin targets a key witness. (N)		Fairly Legal "Priceless"		Royal Pains "Pi Day"	
VS.	28	29				NHL Hockey New York Islanders at Pittsburgh Penguins. (Live)					Hockey	The T.O	Whacked	NHL Overtime		Skiing	
WGN-A	19	18				America's Funniest Home Videos		Old Christine	Old Christine	How I MetMother	How I MetMother	WGN News at Nine (N)		Scrubs	Scrubs	South Park "TBD"	South Park

Brothers

From 1B

pleaded guilty and were sentenced each to five years of probation.

The two worked at Eckel Manufacturing and MD Cowan Drilling as salesmen, court records showed.

Before sentencing Gary Gardenhire on Tuesday afternoon, Judge Robert Junell said he had received several nice letters on his behalf from his parents, friends and family.

Gary Gardenhire addressed the court and claimed his innocence saying that he could never have pleaded guilty to a crime he doesn't believe he committed.

"I wish now that I had testified and told my story," he said.

While he told the court he was remorseful, he also said that he believed no one was taken advantage of and that Webb knew of the transactions taking place.

"I wouldn't steal from a company I started. I would not have done this and did not do so," he said.

His defense attorney, Mike Cunningham, described his client as a "good guy" to the court.

Junell sentenced Gary Gardenhire to 57 months and recommended the Seagoville prison for each of the seven charges. The sentences are to be served concurrently and Gardenhire will also have three years of supervised release.

He was also ordered to pay $2,444,165 in restitution and pay the $100 special assessment fee to the crime victim's fund for each of the seven counts.

Jerrod Gardenhire was also ordered to pay the same in restitution and to the crime victim's fund.

Junell sentenced him to the minimum sentence of 46 months for each of the seven counts and those terms will serve concurrently with each other.

Ray Fivecoat, defense attorney for Jerrod Gardenhire, advised the court Tuesday that his client had withdrawn a motion for a new trial.

With a quivering voice, Jerrod Gardenhire turned to face his family sitting in the courtroom and apologized to them before apologizing to Webb and his family.

"There is so much more to me than the man you saw and heard about in the trial," he said, turning to face Junell.

Junell said they could voluntarily surrender to begin their sentencing by noon on March 29.

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Foster care children may not find placement

By Sommer Ingram
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Proposed budget cuts could so severely underfund the Department of Family and Protective Services that hundreds of foster children would be forced to live in the agency's offices, a department official told Texas lawmakers Tuesday.

The draft budget being considered in the Senate could result in a situation seen four years ago when 611 foster children lived in offices instead of homes, Department Commissioner Anne Heiligenstein told members of the Senate Finance Committee.

The Senate's proposed budget reduces the rate that foster care providers are reimbursed and doesn't fund inevitable caseload growth, which Heiligenstein expects will affect the department's ability to find homes for foster children.

The budget calls for reducing the reimbursement rate by 5 percent, but the department would need to reduce it by another 7 percent to adjust for the zero-funded foster care growth. That would leave emergency shelter services, residential treatment centers and the basic foster care agency receiving a less than substantial repayment, she said.

"When we do that, I will not have the providers I need," Heiligenstein said. "I worry about going back to years like 2007, when we had children staying in our offices because I could not get providers to take our children."

Many faith-based and mission-oriented treatment centers conduct private fundraising to compensate for the reimbursement, but Heiligenstein said she's concerned about centers operating with insufficient funding.

The state currently pays a foster parent a minimum of $674 a month to take care of a healthy foster child.

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One-room log house a remnant of old Texas city

By Kelly Gooch
Tyler Morning Telegraph

WHITEHOUSE — A one-room log house with a sleeping loft sits behind 404 Williamsburg St. Built in 1856, it once was in good shape and boasted fireplaces at each end as well as a dog-trot hall.

It since has fallen in disarray because of vandalism and primarily is used for storage. Owner Bob Hagan said restoring it has been difficult; however, he would like to maintain it and possibly strip everything back to the original log structure one day.

The house appears to be one of the only remnants from the early days of Whitehouse. According to the book "Whitehouse, Texas: 1840-1960," settlers from South Carolina and adjoining states first came to the area on the way home from battles of the Texas Revolution. Impressed by the region's beauty, they returned to South Carolina and gathered friends from Virginia, Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama and the Carolinas. Those people then decided to move to Texas and establish homes.

According to the book, Whitehouse received its name in 1845, shortly after Smith County was formed. As more settlers arrived, the community needed a general meeting place, so residents cut slabs from trees and built the first "frame" building near present-day Texas Highway 110.

An immigrant family had brought whitewash and donated it to the community building, which was used for business meetings, social gatherings, school classes and church services, according to the book. The building commonly was referred to as "the white house," and the community became known simply as "Whitehouse."

According to another book about Whitehouse, called "ByGones," there also was a white two-story home, the Charlie Carlton home, near the train depot in front of the packing sheds. The train stopped near the home, and crews would refer to the nearby water tank as being "at the white house."

"While the train was (taking) on water, the passengers would get off and go over to this house and eat," the book reads. "They would say, 'We want to stop at the white house and eat.'"

Whitehouse primarily was established for school and church, said Acker Hanks, whose family has been in the city for many generations.

He said there were stores in Whitehouse when it originated, but the city didn't start growing until after 1880.

Around that time, Hanks said, a train depot was built in Whitehouse, and a lot of people moved to the area to be near the railroad. Additionally, everyone was farmers, he said. The main crop at first was peaches, but that later changed to cotton and tomatoes.

Hanks said Rhone's Quarter Road got its name from a man who was looking after land in Whitehouse.

He said a man named Mr. Marsh owned about 3,000 acres on the south side of what now is Farm-to-Market Road 346. He had someone named Mr. Rhome looking after it, and there were houses for slaves on the land called quarters.

When Mr. Marsh went to visit his land, he would tell his wife he was going to Rhome's quarters, Hanks said.

Hanks said the first brick building, for the school system, was constructed in 1922. About five school districts were in the Whitehouse area, and they all consolidated in 1930 to form one Whitehouse school district, he said.

Hanks said World War II brought about the biggest change for growth in the city.

He said he was in the class of 1940, which had the largest class to date with 43 graduates. However, classes shrunk to less than 12 students in the years after because people who weren't drafted left Whitehouse for other cities, such as Fort Worth, Beaumont and Houston.

The next big change for Whitehouse came in 1948; Hanks said, when Lake Tyler was built. After Lake Tyler came along, the school district started growing. There was only one school for students up to 11th grade until the late 1950s. But a new elementary school, where Hanks served as principal, was built about 1959, Hanks said. That was followed by the construction of Holloway, Cain and Higgins schools as well as the junior high and high schools. Stanton-Smith Elementary School was built in recent years.

Hagan, who graduated from high school in 1950 and worked in Whitehouse schools, remembers when there were only about 300 students. The district's enrollment in fall 2009 was 4,595.

In addition to class sizes, Hagan also remembers that when he was growing up, there was not a stop sign at Texas Highway 110 and Main Street.

"You didn't have to worry about crossing the street because there probably wasn't any traffic coming," he said.

Even though traffic and the number of students have increased tremendously since then, Hagan said he is pleased with the growth trend.

"The city has progressed quite well," he said. "I don't know what will come in the future, but I think they're (city officials) probably on the right track."



Gerald Herbert/AP

DISCRIMINATION LAWSUIT Rev. Ronald Wright of Justice Seekers Texas sits on the steps of the Old State Capitol Tuesday after a news conference in Baton Rouge, La. More than 230 current and former employees at a Baton Rouge based oil services company have filed a civil rights lawsuit, saying they were forced to work in facilities where racist graffiti, slurs and discrimination are commonplace. The lawsuit was filed this week in a Texas federal court against Turner Industries Group LLC. Black workers say they've complained for more than a decade about nooses hung in workplaces, racial slurs, segregated bathrooms and unequal treatment in Turner facilities in Louisiana and Texas.

Lawsuit claims discrimination at oil services company

By Melinda DeSlatte
Associated Press

BATON ROUGE, La. — About 230 current and former employees at a Louisiana-based oil services company have filed a civil rights lawsuit, saying they were forced to work in facilities where racist graffiti, slurs and discrimination are commonplace.

The lawsuit was filed this week in a Texas federal court against Turner Industries Group LLC, which is headquartered in Baton Rouge and has denied any harrassment or discrimination.

Black workers said Tuesday that they've complained for more than a decade about nooses hung in workplaces, racial slurs, segregated bathrooms and unequal treatment in Turner facilities in Louisiana and Texas. They said company supervisors and officials did little or nothing about the complaints and, in some instances, retaliated against the black employees for complaining.

Yvonne Turner, who said she has worked for the company at sites in both states, described showing up at a Sulphur, La., work site where a protective suit was stuffed, tagged with her name and hung from a noose. She said a supervisor laughed when told about it.

"I'm fed up. I'm tired," she said after a news conference held with local civil rights leaders. "We're not here trying to get money. We're not here trying to cause trouble. We're here for justice."

Another woman, Cheryl Falola, described traveling to a work location where employees were separated by race and the black employees were sent home and replaced with white workers. She said at a different site she was repeatedly harassed by a white man who was working with her.

"Every day I would go to work he would throw racial slurs," Falola said. "My stomach was hurting and knotting up because I know I have to work with that every day."

In a statement, Turner said many of the plaintiffs in the lawsuit no longer work for Turner and some never worked for the company.

The company blamed a "lengthy campaign by plaintiffs' attorneys in New York and Texas" for the lawsuit and said its records show few of those participating in the lawsuit ever reported discrimination complaints to the company.

"Make no mistake, Turner Industries stands for diversity and inclusion for all. Our record supports that. We intend to defend our company and the jobs of our 15,000 employees who are employed in various divisions of the company," Roland Toups, Turner Industries' chairman and CEO, said in the statement.

In April 2010, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission found that black workers at the Turner Industries plant in Paris, Texas, were taunted with slurs, intimidation tactics and symbols of discrimination and were given lower-paying jobs and denied promotions. The EEOC said Turner managers were aware of the hostile work environment but didn't make changes.

At the time, Turner issued a statement saying it disagreed with the findings and its own investigation didn't find discrimination. Toups said the company has asked employees to make sure its facilities are compliant with anti-harassment policies.

"If there is a problem, we want to know about it so that it can be addressed," he said.

James Vagnini, one of the lawyers representing the workers, said the lawsuit was filed because Turner did nothing to address the EEOC findings.

"Just three weeks ago, more nooses are up," Vagnini said.

He said after the EEOC report, he received hundreds of complaints from current and former Turner employees who had worked in Turner facilities in Port Allen, Sulphur and Monroe, La., and in Paris and Beaumont.

At Tuesday's news conference, lawyers for the workers handed out photos that showed racial epithets and swastikas scrawled on desks and bathroom walls and three nooses hung at what they said were different Turner job sites.

The lawsuit says black employees were forced to do dangerous tasks that white workers refused to perform and were passed over for better jobs in favor of white employees. The lawsuit says the discrimination grew worse after President Obama was elected.

The lawsuit was filed in the Eastern District federal court in Texas.

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TODAY Mostly cloudy high 20 low 10

THURSDAY Mostly cloudy high 25 low 15

FRIDAY Partly cloudy high 45 low 25

LOCAL FORECAST

Expect mostly cloudy skies with isolated snow today with a high around 20 and northeast winds between 10 and 15 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for mostly cloudy conditions and a 20 percent chance of snow with a low around 10 and northeast winds between 10 and 15 mph.

Thursday, look for mostly cloudy skies and isolated snow in the morning with a high around 25, a low around 15 and north winds around 10 mph.

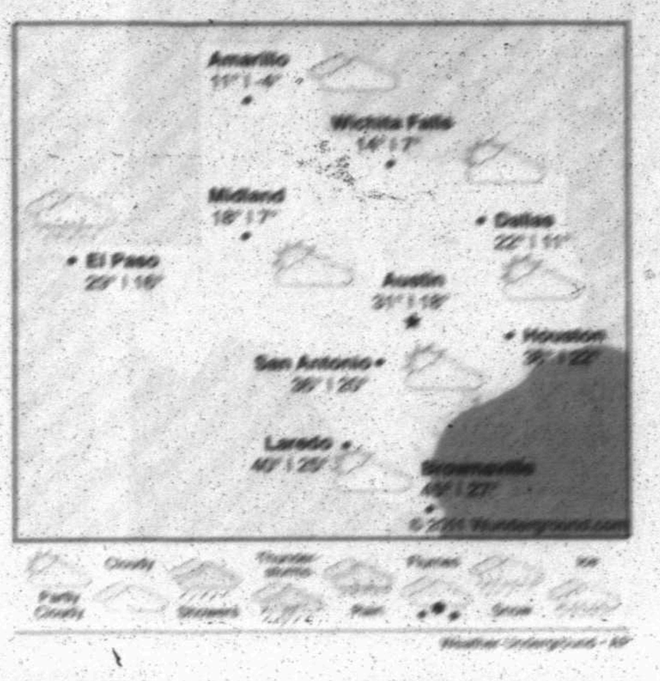
Friday, look for partly cloudy skies with a high around 45 and a low around 25.

The high on Tuesday reached 29 while the low dropped to 14. The record high for Feb. 2 is 80 set in 1963. The record low is -8 set in 1985.

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A major winter storm is taking shape across the Rockies today, with snow falling across the central Rockies and Northern Plains. Freezing rain will produce a glaze of ice from eastern Kansas into southern Indiana.

Arctic air will be entrenched along and north of the winter storm in the center of the nation. High temperatures will be in the single digits below zero from eastern Montana to northwestern Minnesota.



Cloudy, Thunderstorms, Flurries, Ice, Partly Cloudy, Showers, Rain, Snow

Weather Underground - AP

Precipitation

Rainfall Monday	0.00 in.
Rainfall Tuesday	0.02 in.
Total for month	0.02 in.
Total for year	0.04 in.
Normal total (year to date)	0.55 in.

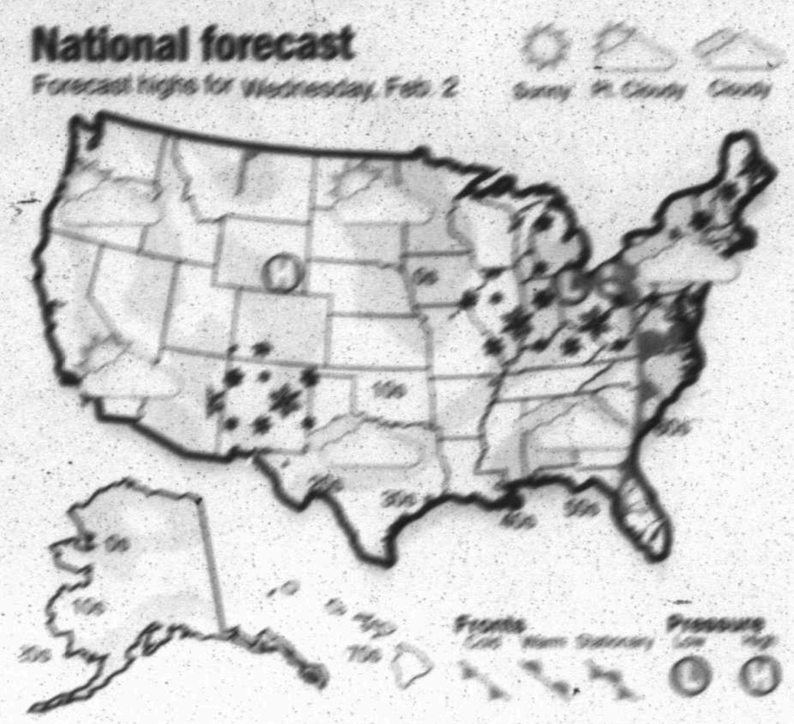
Tuesday's temperatures

High	29
Low	14
Normal high	59
Normal low	31
Sunrise	7:42 a.m.
Sunset	6:24 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Wednesday, Feb. 2

Sunny, Pt. Cloudy, Cloudy



Showers, Rain, T-storms, Flurries, Snow, Ice

Wife comes clean about showering with husband

DEAR ABBY

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



DEAR ABBY: My husband has been talking about many married couples who take showers together. In fact, he claims that most couples do. Our relationship in the bedroom has been great so far, and I'd like to keep it there. I don't want a twosome in the bathroom. Am I wrong to enjoy my privacy in the shower? — SQUEAKY CLEAN IN NORTH CAROLINA

DEAR SQUEAKY CLEAN: Many married couples take showers together, and many don't. Among those who do, some find it arousing; others just enjoy the intimacy and having someone to scrub their backs.

If you feel your time in the shower is sacred alone time, you're entitled to your feelings. If an encounter isn't pleasurable for both parties involved, then it's usually not particularly satisfying for either one.

DEAR ABBY: My younger sister, "Janet," and I are very close. We live near each other and have many of the same friends. My problem is, Janet likes to share stories about our childhood, and our childhood was horrible. We were poor and homeless more than once. Both our parents were on drugs, and our father was abusive to our mother.

I have tried telling my sister that when she shares these stories, I not only find it humiliating, but also find myself reliving the awful experiences. Her response is to remind me that we're not those kids anymore. She doesn't think it's anything to be ashamed of. Is she wrong to tell these horror stories that involve both of us, or do I need to stop trying to forget? — NOT LOOKING IN THE REARVIEW MIRROR

DEAR NOT LOOKING: Your sister is correct that your childhood is nothing you should be ashamed of. Both of you have managed to thrive in spite of the chaotic environment in which you were raised. However, for her to persist in raising a subject that you have told her is painful is insensitive — particularly if she's doing it in your presence. You may have a shared history, but you clearly have different coping mechanisms, and she should respect yours.

DEAR ABBY: When my daughter was 14 months old, she had a serious accident while under my parents' supervision. They were not negligent. What happened could have occurred if I had been there. I rushed to the hospital, where we stayed for five days and, thankfully, my daughter recovered.

I was shocked and hurt that my mother never once apologized. When I brought it up, she said it's obvious she feels terribly guilty, that I know how devoted she is to my daughter and, therefore, an apology is ridiculous.

I know it wasn't her "fault," but I still feel the right thing to do in that situation would have been for her to say, "I'm sorry this happened. I wish I had been more observant." Is this superfluous? Are my feelings reasonable? — EXPATRIATE NEW YORKER IN SAXONY, GERMANY

DEAR EXPAT: How old is your daughter now? How long have you hung onto your anger at your mother over this incident? You said there was no negligence on the part of your parents, and the accident could have occurred while your daughter was under your supervision. DO you know that your mother loves your daughter and feels terrible about what happened? If so, LET IT GO, ALREADY!

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♥ Q 8 5 3
♣ 7 6

WEST
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♣ Q J 8 5 2

SOUTH
♠ 7 4
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♦ 7 4
♣ A 9 3

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	SOUTH	EAST
1♥	1♠	2♥	2♠
4♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: King of ♠

We continue with deals from the recent Fall North American Championships held in Orlando. This deal is from one of the secondary team events.

At both tables North-South stretched to four hearts, and at both tables the lead was a logical but unfortunate king of spades. At one table declarer won the ace, drew trumps and led a spade up to the jack. West took the queen and East, Sue Picus of New York, thoughtfully signaled suit-preference with the 10. West, Alex Onnstein, carefully shifted to the jack of diamonds and the defense collected two diamond tricks and a club to go with the spade trick — down one.

At the other table, defending the same contract, declarer allowed the king of spades to win the first trick as East gave count with the three. With nothing to guide her, West tried the ace of diamonds and another, but declarer could ruff out the king of diamonds and could discard two clubs on a good spade and the queen of diamonds.

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, Feb. 2, 2011:

This year, you express unusual creativity and charisma. If you opt to manifest an idea, desire or project, the reality happens more easily than you anticipated. You might feel like you can pull a white rabbit out of a hat! Your magnetism speaks, and others cannot help but respond. If you are single, many a potential suitor will attempt to change your status. The choice is yours. If you are attached, stay sensitive to your sweetie, and avoid becoming too me-oriented. AQUARIUS values friendship.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ Your creativity flourishes. Others want to listen and share. Unexpected insights about a key person become apparent. Do your best to integrate this realization without others noticing. A meeting is important. Tonight: Where your friends are.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ You probably insist on staying on top of various situations. There is such a thing as too much responsibility. A situation forces you to consider letting go of one of your many obligations. Be open to feedback from a friend. This person might be right! Tonight: On top of your game.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Finally, you see an opening. Disruption with a boss or someone you look up to could postpone your taking a step forward. A new beginning is possible if you look past the obvious. Understand how your thinking can restrict you. Tonight: Where you can escape.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Recognize your limitations and accept more input. Two heads work better than one. A stunning realization might be quite exciting. A partner paves the way to greater security and success. Be careful if you are dealing with someone who is triggered easily. Tonight: Talk over dinner.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Rest assured that others care, even if they appear to be heading down a path toward trouble. Look at your responses, recognizing that your reactions speak more of you and your personal life. The unexpected occurs within a partnership. Tonight: Let another person approach you first.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ Stay on the daily level. You have much to do, and you need to clear it out. A partner or dear friend could shake you up with his or her unpredictability. Start thinking in terms of people doing the unexpected. Tonight: Soak in a hot tub, then decide.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ Creativity often saves the day, and you have just that. Brainstorm with a friend or two about an unanticipated issue. You might be surprised by the suggestions and even your own solutions. A new beginning is possible with your romantic life. Tonight: Pretend it is the weekend.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★ Stay anchored, knowing what is necessary and which way to go. You could be overwhelmed by everything that goes on in your personal life. Pull back if you need to handle other matters. Know your priorities and honor them. Tonight: Settle in and weigh an important decision.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ Stay upbeat and handle a bump in the road, knowing it is nothing more than that. It will pass. Calls and meetings dominate your day. The unexpected occurs in a conversation, and you gain unprecedented insight about a key person. Tonight: Check out a potential purchase.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Be more tuned in to the costs of a particular purchase or set of plans. You could be surprised. Take off your rose-colored glasses, and look at the situation once more. You will be much happier in the near future with a realistic view. Tonight: Redo your budget.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Count on your ability to handle a problematic situation. You might not like an unexpected jolt, even if it is for the better. You might need to go back to square one. Learn to flex with a smile. It will become easy. Tonight: The world is your oyster.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ Your sensitivity to a key person in your life might ultimately cause you a problem. Before you act on this realization, think carefully about what you want from a situation. Talk to a key adviser. You'll discover how others see you and also learn more about yourself. Tonight: Make a necessary decision.

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BORN TODAY

Singer Shakira (1977), novelist James Joyce (1882), singer Graham Nash (1942)

DAILY CROSSWORD

Edited By Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

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1 Purchases
5 One way to cope
10 Key of Brahms's Symphony No. 3
14 Midwest native
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50 Fairbanks-to-Anchorage dir.
51 To the rear
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56 Sportscaster Cross
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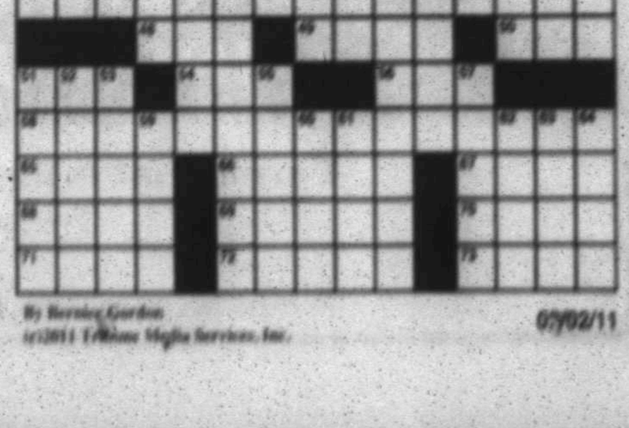
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8 Flier until '91
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13 Down under kids
21 Thrown missile
22 __ Cynwyd, Philadelphia suburb
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27 Dragster's org.
28 Campus VIP
30 Kodak product
31 Rascal
33 "__ Clock Jump" Harry James recording
35 A, in communications
36 Cancun quencher
37 Miles per gal., points per game, etc.
38 Roger of "Cheers"
39 Made faces, perhaps
44 Roast, in Rouen
45 Painter of Southwestern scenes
46 Puts down
47 "The King and I" actress, 1956
51 Desert growth
52 Sent, in a way
53 Pop singer Lopez
55 "It's __ nothing"
57 French hot springs town
59 In need of tuning
60 Do some mending
61 Location
62 "The Whiffenpoof Song" collegians
63 Church section
64 Cellar: colonist

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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SAFE FLYER In this photo taken Jan. 22, Dick Tucker helps to push "Sweetie Pie," a 2004 American Champion aircraft, back into the hangar. Tucker was recognized with the Wright Brothers Master Pilots Award by the Federal Aviation Administration for his 50 years of safe piloting.

FAA applauds Brownsville man for 50 years of safe flying

By Emma Perez-Trevino
Brownsville Herald

BROWNSVILLE — Dick F. Tucker was only 7 when a barnstormer arrived in an old low-flying World War I Jenny in his hometown in North Carolina selling airplane rides.

The cost was a $1 a ride.

"The barnstormer put me in the front cockpit," Tucker recalled. They flew across a field.

That is all it took.

"I was hooked," the retired U.S. Air Force captain said.

Now 89, Tucker, who only stopped flying two years ago, said he never imagined that he would fly for more than 50 years.

"There's an old saying that 'God does not deduct from one's time on Earth that which is spent up the air.'" Tucker, belying restrictions of age, said.

And recently, his family and friends gathered to honor him for receiving the Federal Aviation Administration's Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award, which recognizes pilots who have conducted 50 or more consecutive years of safe flight operations.

The FAA bestowed the award in December, "in appreciation for your dedication, service, technical expertise, professionalism, and many outstanding contributions that further the cause of aviation safety."

Tucker is one of 1,775 pilots throughout the country who have received the prestigious award.

FAA recognized Tucker at the Marine Military Academy in Harlingen on Pearl Harbor Day, Dec. 7, with aviation cadets in the audience.

After Tucker graduated from high school in Virginia, he joined the Air Force and served in World War II. He began flying in 1942 through an aviation cadet program. He was a member of the 359th Fighter Squadron and attained the rank of captain. He flew all the U.S. fighters.

He settled in Brownsville in 1946 and has always been involved in the airplane business, also flying various aircraft in South Texas and Mexico investigating aircraft accidents.

Tucker's daughter Vivian Zapata remembered how often her dad would recount his missions while in the European Theatre Operations. He was the recipient of the Distinguished Flying Cross. "I could actually see the war through his stories," she said.

"All of us Tucker children have these stories in our minds and our hearts," she added.

"He continued with his flying throughout his life and all of us love to hear his stories of retrieving aircraft from Mexico or just flying over the salt flats with his friends," Zapata said.

"His family is so very proud of him and feels very honored that he received this award," his daughter added.

Tucker's good friend Sam Merrill, also a pilot, said he has known Tucker for a long time, since he started flying.

"He has been a good friend to me and to a lot of other pilots in this area. I most admire his wealth of aviation knowledge and his desire to help pilots. I think that Dick is a fine example of what our country stands for. I am honored to have him as a friend," Merrill said.

Information from: The Brownsville Herald, http://www.brownsville-herald.com

TEXAS ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

AUSTIN

Perry reappoints 2 Texas Tech regents, replaces 1

Gov. Rick Perry has reappointed Plano insurance executive Larry Anders and San Antonio socialite Debbie Montford to the Texas Tech University System Board of Regents.

He also appointed Lubbock Banker John Steinmetz to succeed Daniel Serna, whose board term expired Monday. The appointments are subject to Texas Senate confirmation and are for terms expiring Jan. 31, 2017.

Anders is chairman and chief executive of Summit Alliance Companies. Montford is former chairwoman of the Texas Cultural Trust Council. Steinmetz is president of Vista Bank.

HOUSTON

Chopper pilot indicted related to Rio Grande death

A helicopter pilot with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security has been indicted for allegedly lying about the 2005 drowning of a Mexican citizen in South Texas.

James Peters, 41, has been charged with four counts of making false statements to an investigator.

The person drowned Dec. 14, 2005, near an international bridge in Laredo. The person's name was not immediately released.

Prosecutors said Peters lied about the helicopter hovering over two people on a flotation device in the Rio Grande and trying to make the pair "go back." Investigators say turbulence from the rotor separated one person away from the floating device.

HOUSTON

Hospital: High school teacher dies after attack

A high school teacher who was attacked while walking a woman to her car has died, and police have charged the woman's husband with assault.

Chris Matthews, 33, died late Sunday at Ben Taub General Hospital, where he had been treated since he was knocked unconscious Friday night, a hospital spokesman said Tuesday.

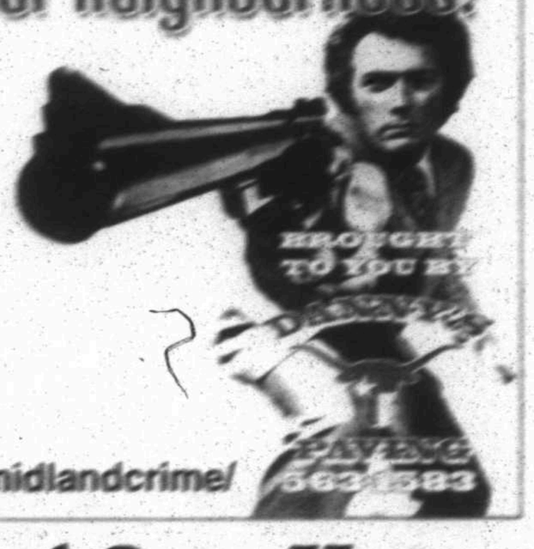
Ronald Lee Newman, 51, was arrested at the scene and charged with aggravated assault with serious bodily injury, police said. The charges remained unchanged as of Tuesday afternoon, according to the clerk at Harris County District Court. Newman is free on $30,000 bond and is scheduled to be in court March 3.

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sports

Read Baron Batch
See his column on page 2C

Kamaka taking on more responsibility



Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

BAT IN HAND Midland College's Kishti Kamaka is returning this year to lead the Midland College softball team. The sophomore from Hawaii will play many different positions.

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

The Midland College softball team lost several good sophomores off of last year's group that went 46-10.

Kishti Kamaka will try to fill as many of those roles as possible.

The sophomore from Kapolei, Hawaii, is expected not only to play her natural position of first base but might also be used at second base, shortstop, outfield and will do some pitching for the Lady Chaparrals, who come into the season ranked No. 6 in the NJCAA Division Softball poll.

Taking on more responsibility doesn't seem to be a big deal for the soft-spoken Kamaka — it's just doing her part to help the team be successful. The only position she probably won't play is catcher because as she said, "I'm not a good blocker."

"It's not much difference for me playing the other positions," she added. "It's just about you getting all the grounders and coming up with the plays."

Midland College coach Tommy Ramos doesn't mince words when discussing Kamaka's importance to the team.

"She's definitely an impact player for us," said the 13th-year head coach.

Please see KAMAKA/4C



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

BIG TIME FOOTBALL Bobby Thompson, seen here practicing with the Midland Christian football team on Aug. 2, will sign today to play for TCU.

Thompson moving on to D-I football

By Lew Hayward
Sports Editor

Like any mother, Jennifer Thompson was reluctant to help her son, Bobby, find the "switch" on the football field.

Even though young Bobby was usually bigger than everyone else and Jennifer knew that he might have to find some aggressiveness to play football, she was always a little reluctant in helping him find that edge that coaches talk about needing to play top-level football.

"I fought the switch for a long time," Jennifer said. "My whole thing was raising him to be nice and polite, be kind and caring and compassionate. He's always been a gentle giant."

Even Bobby admits he had some trouble finding that "switch" or as he calls it a "mean streak."

But after five years of playing football at Midland Christian, and completing a 2010 season where Thompson was a star on offense and defense for the Mustangs, he found that "mean streak" and was able to turn on the proverbial "switch" to become one of the top football players in West Texas.

National Signing Day



Thompson

"He got to where he had a relentless drive and it didn't matter what the other guy did, he was going to bring it," Midland Christian coach Greg McClendon said. "He got to where he could smell a little fear or weakness, and he buried it."

Thompson, who is listed at 6-foot-7, 270 pounds, won't say whether finding that "mean streak" or "switch" was the major key to him being able to sign today with the Texas Christian University to play football, but it's something that has helped turn Thompson into a more complete player.

Thompson, who played offensive and defensive tackle for the Mustangs in 2010, will sign with the Horned Frogs today on National Signing Day, and is the lone player from Midland to sign a Division I football scholarship today. Thompson will actually sign in Austin as he is part of Team USA that will play in an All-Star game against other high-school aged players from across the world today.

"I got so tell you, in junior high it wasn't good," said Thompson, who also had offers from Texas A&M and Texas Tech. "But by my freshman year I kind of came along, and I'd got on varsity a couple of games, and ended up starting by the end of the year at right end and there were a lot of guys that were really pushing me. Over the last year or so, I developed a little bit of a mean streak."

Thompson admits it took him a while to build the type of aggressiveness needed to be a successful player. But he said he started to realize as a freshman that he needed to find it, and he was helped by older players who played with him on the offensive line at the time.

But it wasn't until he was a junior playing on defense that it finally hit

Please see THOMPSON/2C

List of area athletes signing with schools today

Name	High School	College	Sport
Bobby Thompson	Midland Christian	TCU	Football
Adam Jones	Lee	E. New Mexico	Football
Cole Barrow	Greenwood	Ashford (Kan.)	Football
Spencer Hardy	Sr. Spring	Cisco JC	Football
Jerry Powell	MHS	Hardin-Simmons	Soccer
Megan Shepherd	MHS	Lubbock Christian	Soccer
Katherine Shepherd	MHS	Lubbock Christian	Soccer
Shannon Ruiz	MHS	Hardin-Simmons	Soccer

READY TO LEAD

Wielbiruda, Smelser are back and healthy

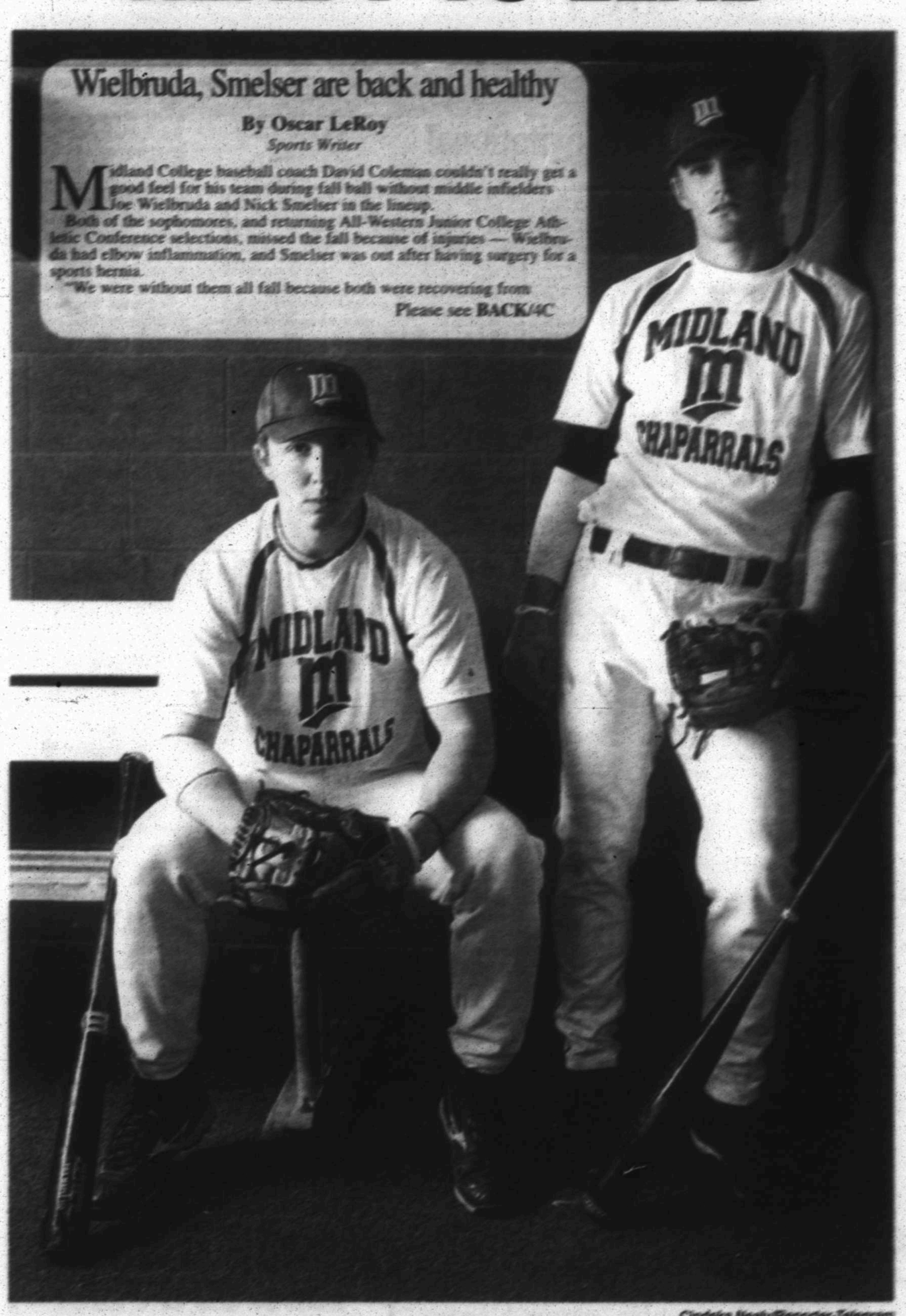
By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

Midland College baseball coach David Coleman couldn't really get a good feel for his team during fall ball without middle infielders Joe Wielbruda and Nick Smelser in the lineup.

Both of the sophomores, and returning All-Western Junior College Athletic Conference selections, missed the fall because of injuries — Wielbruda had elbow inflammation, and Smelser was out after having surgery for a sports hernia.

"We were without them all fall because both were recovering from

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Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

FULL FORCE Midland College All-Conference second-baseman Joe Wielbruda, left, and shortstop Nick Smelser are returning to lead the Midland College Baseball Team.

Ice and snow force games to be postponed

From staff reports

Early morning snowfall and cold weather on Tuesday forced the postponement of a number of area high school sporting events in the Permian Basin.

Tuesday night's District 3-5A boys and girls basketball games involving Lee and Midland High, scheduled for Tuesday, were moved to today.

The games between Abilene High and Midland High at Chaparral Center will have the girls playing at 5 p.m. and the boys following at 6:30 p.m. today.

The boys junior varsity game will be at 5 p.m., and the girls at 6:30 p.m., both games will be played at the MHS gymnasium.

The girls game between Lee and Abilene Cooper has been moved to 4:30 p.m. today, and the boys game is slated for 6 p.m. Both games will still be in Abilene. Also the junior varsity boys game will be at 4:30 p.m., and the girls at 6 p.m.

The TAPPS 1-4A games between Midland Christian and Lubbock Trinity Christian were also postponed. The games will be played on Tuesday, Feb. 15, with the girls starting at 5:30 p.m., and the boys at 7 p.m.

List of rescheduled games in Midland County and around the area

- Abilene High at Midland High, girls, 5 p.m. today; boys, 6:30 p.m., both games at Chaparral Center
- Lee at Abilene Cooper, girls 4:30 p.m. today; boys, 6 p.m. today
- Lubbock Trinity Christian at Midland Christian, 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 15; boys, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 15
- Blackwell at Garden City, girls, 4 p.m. today; boys, 5:30 p.m. today
- Stanton at Post, girls 5 p.m. today; boys, 6:30 p.m. today
- Lubbock Christian at Midland Classical, girls, 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 10; boys, 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 10
- Slaton at Coahoma, girls, 3 p.m. today; boys, 4:30 p.m. today
- Big Spring at Sweetwater, girls, 6 p.m. today; boys, 7:30 p.m. today

Lady Falcons' unique style has them tied for first

By Shawn Shroyer
Sports Writer

The University of Texas-Permian Basin women's basketball team won't be taking people by surprise from this point on. But the Lady Falcons don't have to.

UTPB and its run-and-shoot style raced through non-conference play with an 11-4 record, but perhaps the Lady Falcons' Heartland Conference foes didn't think their methods would translate to league play. Not only has it translated, but the Lady Falcons stand at 15-5 and 4-1 in Heartland Conference play, tied for first place and two seconds from having first place all to themselves!

"With our style of play, it's really hard when you get into the season and don't prepare for that style regularly," UTPB coach Adam Collins said. "Our deal, we play Thursdays and Saturdays, so the team we play on Saturdays have spent all week preparing for the team they play on Thursday and it becomes an ordeal to prepare for us."

UTPB's philosophy has been to win the 3-point battle, leading the conference in 3-pointers and defending the 3-point line at all costs. Collins admit-

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT UTPB

LAST WEEK

BASEBALL: The Falcons were ranked No. 4 in Central Region Preseason Poll while pitcher Fran Cardenas was recognized as a 2011 Preseason All-South Region selection.

MEN'S BASKETBALL: UTPB lost a critical home Heartland Conference contest on Saturday to St. Edward's 81-79.

SWIMMING: UTPB's men's swimming team finished second while the women finished third at the UNM Clarion Invitational on Saturday. On the men's side, Ryan Wilcox and Joe Salcedo both picked up five first place finishes with Wilcox winning the 50 and 100-yard freestyle while Salcedo won the 100-yard breaststroke and the 200-yard backstroke. Bobby Bonilla picked up three first place finishes after winning the 200-yard breaststroke. On the women's side, Jennifer Gunderson won the individual women's all-around title as she took the 1,650-yard freestyle in a time of 24:58 earning a runner's-up spot in the event.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL: UTPB defeated St. Edward's 94-71 on Saturday. Tammy Abrams led the Lady Falcons with 22 points in the contest and was named the Heartland Conference Player of the Week. Earlier this season, Abrams became the first player in school history to score her 1,000 point milestone.

ted the Lady Falcons are more than willing to trade layups on the defensive end for 3-pointers on

Midland High boys win Seminole Power Invitational

From staff reports

SEMINOLE — The Midland High boys powerlifting team won first place at the Seminole Power Invitational last weekend.

The Bulldogs finished with 48 points for the meet, and finished 20

Tech, A&M polo will play in Midland

The Texas Tech and Texas A&M polo teams, along with a team of players from Midland, will be the featured teams at the Baja Cup tournament this weekend at the

Brahmas continue Jackalopes recent struggles

From staff reports

ODESSA — The Texas Brahmas scored two goals in each the first and second periods for a 4-1 victory against the Odessa Jackalopes on Tuesday night at the Ector County Coliseum.

THOMPSON

From 1C

home what it really meant to have that streak in a game early in the 2009 season.

"I was playing on defense and there was a guy in front of me, and I was bigger than he was and I just bull rushed as hard, and as strong, as I could," Bobby said. "He just rolled backward and I blocked the kick with my chest. It was a crazy thing, and I thought, 'This is the real thing.'"

And over the last two years, Jennifer said she started to notice that he had found that "switch"

and said he was still a gentle giant off the field, but on it, he became a relentless player. Plus, Thompson became a leader for the Mustangs.

"During football season you just don't mess with him much," Jennifer said. "He's always been a real good kid, and really good natured, but when it comes to football, he's a totally different kind of human when he gets on the football field."

While all of the development was going on in the football field, Thompson's size helped him become noticed when he went to football camps. And even

Samuelsson, Ehrhoff lift Canucks over Stars

Associated Press

DALLAS — Mikael Samuelsson and Christian Ehrhoff scored power-play goals to lead the Vancouver Canucks over the Dallas Stars 4-1 Tuesday night.

Vancouver also got a short-handed goal from Ryan Kesler and Alex Burrows also found the back of the net. Daniel Sedin added two assists.

In the first game back from the All-Star break for both clubs, the Canucks recorded their third straight victory and moved into sole possession of first place overall in the NHL.

It was the third time in the last 33 days that the Canucks dominated the Stars, winning all three games by a combined score of 15-5. During those three, the Vancouver power play has dominated the matchup, converting 8 of 15 attempts.

Dallas has capitalized on 1 of 13 power plays in the season series, including an 0-for-5 effort Tuesday night.

After a scoreless first period, the Canucks struck twice on power plays in the first 1:05 of the second to take control.

Just 26 seconds in, Samuelsson wired a screaming wrist shot from the right face-off circle over the glove hand of Dallas goaltender Kari Lehtonen just under the

BARON BATCH



Assistant Sports Editor

Life's lessons can be taught in strange ways

Since about the last week's column, I've been thinking about some of the new decisions I've made and how I'm going to stick to them.

Good news? Every decision that we make is going to get tested, and I've been tested. I've been tempted to get sucked back into my old ways, and I'm definitely going to get tempted. I actually have several other annotations of times I plan on writing so when it gets down the road I can look back and see what I was thinking.

I mean, everyone is talking about it because I know I'm a Super Bowl week, and Dallas is there. The excitement is unique to the entire place that surrounds the Dallas area. But it's an NFL event in Dallas, it's going to be grand opportunity.

Last weekend I was able to unwind, get all the stuff done that I've been meaning to do, and I was able to catch up on a lot of things. It was a welcome relief. It's not the type of thing that I do on a regular basis, but I'm glad that I was able to do it.

My training is moving right along. My trainer has me on a diet that is different from anything that I have ever experienced. I have always said that I would never go on a diet, but I was wrong. I've cheated all of my favorite foods and dishes to get off of this diet. I can't have anything fried, so I had to abandon the love of my life — hot sauce, as Popeye's Chicken and Biscuits' Tasty Sauce are good for me. I gotta go. This will never work, no! There are my options.

Apparently the Green Bay Packers and the Steelers brought the ice in Dallas (it is ridiculously cold) and are on the moment. Everyone got canceled today because of the hazardous road conditions. My Toyota Camry wouldn't have been able to make the drive.

There are having a snow day, and I might be when you're living in a dome! On a high note, I haven't had any more run-ins with the "one dozen" cleaning lady.

I'm really enjoying Dallas. It's nice to be able to go home on the weekends if I want to or go see my brother in Austin. I'm glad that I am here with several of my close friends because this lifestyle could easily make someone alone.

Last weekend in Lubbock I was honored by an organization called "100 Black Men of West Texas" for being the male model of the year. When I found out that I was receiving that award I was shocked, especially when I discovered it was because of the column that I wrote. I found it ironic that my writing was the reason I was receiving an award for the fact that I have been told many times by several different teachers and professors that my writing is terrible. It's funny how things turn out sometimes.

I have decided that every week my sentence is going to come back from my training. I don't think I will ever get as good enough shape. However, that is a good thing because it means that I am progressing and not staying the same.

Sometimes I learn the most powerful life lessons in the strangest ways. Like learning something from my sore gastrocnemius muscles. See, I will not explain what a gastrocnemius muscle is... you have to go look it up. I am so glad that my life isn't easy, just like my workouts aren't easy. I'm not going to lie and say that sometimes I don't want my training to be easy, but at the same time I know that it's not. It's hard, grueling, and painful. I will never progress. It doesn't really make sense for life to be easy then either, huh? There is nothing better than the feeling of completing a challenging task, and knowing you did it even though you wanted to quit.

The reason I bring all of this up is because someone reading this needs to hear exactly what a stranger in Target came up to me and said while I was waiting to check out. "Faith doesn't mean anything will ever be easy, it just means that things will be possible."

God Bless.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	38	11	.776	
New York	35	15	.700	3½
Philadelphia	29	20	.592	8½
New Jersey	17	32	.347	20½
Toronto	16	33	.327	21½

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	39	10	.796	
Orlando	34	14	.708	4½
Atlanta	28	21	.571	11½
Charlotte	20	29	.408	19½
Washington	12	37	.245	27½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	37	12	.755	
Milwaukee	31	17	.646	5½
Indiana	28	20	.583	8½
Cleveland	19	29	.396	17½
Detroit	17	31	.354	19½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	40	8	.833	
Dallas	35	13	.729	5
New Orleans	31	17	.646	9
Memphis	27	21	.563	13
Houston	21	27	.438	19

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	36	11	.766	
Utah	31	17	.646	5½
Denver	30	17	.638	6
Portland	28	20	.583	8½
Minnesota	17	31	.354	19½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	39	10	.796	
Phoenix	31	18	.633	8
Golden State	30	19	.612	9
L.A. Clippers	19	28	.404	18½
Sacramento	13	36	.265	25½

Sunday's Scores

New Orleans 103, Miami 91
Boston 97, Sacramento 83
Chicago at Portland, late
Utah at Golden State, late
Phoenix at L.A. Lakers, late

Today's Games

Toronto at Atlanta, 6 p.m.
Charlotte at Cleveland, 6 p.m.
Memphis at Detroit, 6 p.m.
Indiana at Houston, 6:30 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Dallas, 6:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Orlando at Denver, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Utah, 8 p.m.
New Jersey at Portland, 8:30 p.m.
Golden State at L.A. Clippers, 8:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Miami at Washington, 6 p.m.
Philadelphia at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
Chicago at New York, 6:30 p.m.
Toronto at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m.
Detroit at Milwaukee, 7 p.m.
Memphis at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Indiana at Oklahoma City, 7 p.m.
New Orleans at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Sacramento at L.A. Lakers, 8:30 p.m.

HORNETS 97, WIZARDS 89

WASHINGTON (89): Booker 2-5 0-0 4, Jamison 5-9 0-0 10, Blatche 3-11 2-2 8, Wall 5-14 2-2 12, Crawford 4-11 0-0 8, Seraphin 2-3 0-0 4, Mahinmi 2-7 0-0 4, Webster 0-0 0-0 0, Young 2-5 0-0 4, Thornton 2-6 0-0 4, Singleton 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 31-86 2-4 89.

NEW ORLEANS (97): Anderson 7-12 2-2 16, Okafor 0-3 0-0 0, Smith 5-11 2-2 12, Paul 5-8 4-4 15, Belinelli 2-7 0-0 5, Ariza 3-6 0-0 8, Stojakovic 3-7 0-0 7, Anderson 2-4 0-0 4, Posey 1-2 0-0 2, Aminu 2-5 0-0 5, Mbenga 0-0 0-0 0, Roberson 1-1 0-0 2, Totals 32-66 8-8 97.

Washington 20 25 22 22 — 89
New Orleans 25 23 27 22 — 97

3-Point Goals—Washington 2-14 (Young 1-2, Crawford 1-4, Wall 0-1, Booker 0-1, Thornton 0-2), New Orleans 7-20 (Belinelli 2-5, Ariza 2-5, Stojakovic 2-5, Paul 1-3, Anderson 0-2). Fouled Out—Jamison. Rebounds—Washington 54 (Young 9), New Orleans 49 (Anderson 12). Assists—Washington 19 (Wall 6), New Orleans 23 (Paul 9). Total Fouls—Washington 24, New Orleans 22. A—17,191 (17,188).

Sunday's Scores

San Antonio 100, Jazz 104
Toronto at Spurs, Monday, 7 p.m.
Jazz at Heat, Monday, 8:30 p.m.
Memphis at Kings, 9 p.m.

Soccer

European League Standings

England

Premier League

Team	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Man. United	24	17	5	2	52	20	56
Chelsea	24	15	6	3	47	21	51
Arsenal	24	15	5	4	51	21	50
Tottenham	24	13	5	6	41	27	44
Liverpool	24	12	5	7	40	27	41
Aston Villa	24	11	6	7	31	27	39
Newcastle	24	10	6	8	31	31	36
Sunderland	24	9	6	9	27	27	33
Everton	24	8	8	8	31	31	32
Fulham	24	8	7	9	28	30	31
Blackburn	24	8	5	11	27	37	29
Stoke	24	7	6	11	23	34	27
Wolverhampton	24	6	7	11	23	36	25
Bolton	24	6	6	12	29	41	24
West Ham	24	5	7	12	25	40	22
Wigan	24	5	6	13	23	41	21
Birmingham	24	5	5	14	20	39	20
Blackpool	24	4	7	13	23	43	19
Wolverhampton	24	3	6	15	20	43	15

Italy

Serie A

Team	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
AC Milan	23	16	5	2	50	23	53
Napoli	22	13	4	5	36	20	43
Udinese	23	12	5	6	37	21	41
Inter Milan	23	11	6	6	35	23	39
AS Roma	23	11	5	7	35	22	38
Lazio	23	11	3	9	36	27	36
Juventus	23	10	5	8	30	28	35
Palermo	23	10	4	9	30	28	34
Fiorentina	23	10	4	9	29	30	34
Cagliari	23	10	4	9	27	30	34
Genoa	23	9	5	9	27	27	32
Chievo Verona	23	8	7	8	27	30	31
Bologna	23	8	6	9	27	31	30
Parma	23	7	7	9	23	28	28
Catania	23	6	7	10	23	32	25
Lecce	23	5	6	12	19	36	21
Cesena	23	5	5	13	16	36	20
Siena	23	4	7	12	20	34	19
Bari	23	3	8	12	19	33	17

Fight Schedule

Friday

Jon Fort Worth (ESPN2): Sergio Mora vs. Bryan Vera, 10, middleweights.

At Santo Tomas, Calif. (SHO): Luis Franco vs. Jesus Chavez, 10, bantamweights; Lamar Hurrole vs. Rico Johnson, 10, cruiserweights.

Saturday

At Quito, Japan: Tomas Rojas vs. Nelson Dadson, 12, for Rojas' WBC super flyweight title.

At Maywood, Calif.: Gerardo Sierra vs. Carlos Salazar, 10, super middleweights.

At Guanajuato, Mexico: Rigoberto Alvarez vs. Aaron Toot, 12, for the vacant WBA World Organization middleweight title; Jonathan Barros vs. Javier Toscano, 12, featherweights.

Feb. 11

At Montreal (ESPN2): Jeyson Decarie vs. Stanislav Alexeev, 10, welterweights; Jonathan Cai vs. Shawn Porter, 10, welterweights.

At Atlantic City, N.J.: Eddie Chambers vs. Dereck Chisora, 12, for heavyweight eliminator.

At Quito, Japan: Cristofer Sihuacchahuillca vs. Kazuto Ioka, 12, for Sihuacchahuillca's WBC strawweight title.

Feb. 12

At Dusseldorf, Germany: Steve Herelius vs. Sam Peter, 12, for Herelius' WBA interim cruiserweight title.

At Buenos Aires, Argentina: Omar Andres Narvaez vs. Miguel Angel Rios, 12, for Narvaez's WBC super flyweight title.

Feb. 18

At Sakskobing, Denmark (ESPN2): Fernando Guerrero vs. Sam Soliman, 10, for Guerrero's NABF welterweight title; Kasper Bonsager Dreyer vs. Anton Moon, 10, middleweights; Mikkel Kessler vs. Brian Magee, 12, for Kessler's WBC super middleweight title.

Feb. 19

At Stuttgart, Germany: Felix Sturm vs. Ronald Hearns, 12, for Sturm's WBA middleweight title.

At Panama City, Panama: Anselmo Moreno vs. Lorenzo Parra, 12, for Moreno's WBA super bantamweight title.

At Manitoba: Alex Reid vs. Casino Lee (Vegas Joe), 10, Fernando Montiel vs. Ronnie Gordon, 10, for Montiel's WBC-WBO junior bantamweight title; Alain Jaunich vs. Jonathan Barros, 10, welterweights; Mike Madigan vs. Gabriel Martinez, 10, welterweights.

Feb. 20

At Saint-Ghislain, Japan: Samuel Bouvron vs. Christian Esse, 10, featherweights; Kevin Vanderbeken vs. Jose Chiambretto, 10, super middleweights.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Men

NCAA Division I

Men's Basketball Poll

Rank	Conference	Record	Pts	Prv
1. (61) Duke	ACC	20-2	1,525	1
2. Kansas	Big 12	20-2	1,457	2
3. Pittsburgh	Big East	20-2	1,396	3
4. Connecticut	Big East	20-2	1,327	4
5. Kansas State	Big 12	20-2	1,260	5
6. Ohio State	Big Ten	20-2	1,187	6
7. San Diego State	MWC	20-2	1,120	7
8. Texas	Big 12	19-3	1,045	8
9. Michigan State	Big Ten	19-3	1,000	9
10. Syracuse	Big East	19-3	923	10
11. Wisconsin	Big Ten	19-3	885	11
12. Notre Dame	Big East	19-3	824	12
13. Gonzaga	WCC	20-2	787	13
14. Florida	SEC	18-4	715	14
15. Missouri	Big 12	18-4	654	15
16. Brigham Young	MWC	20-2	597	16
17. Temple	Atlantic 10	20-2	541	17
18. Georgetown	Big East	18-4	477	18
19. Kentucky	SEC	17-5	411	19
20. Vanderbilt	SEC	17-5	344	20
21. Texas A&M	Big 12	18-4	284	21
22. Purdue	Big Ten	17-5	194	22
23. Xavier	Atlantic 10	20-2	161	23
24. Virginia Commonwealth	CAA	20-2	107	24
25. Texas Christian	MWC	19-3	74	25

Others receiving votes: Marist 23, Arkansas 14, Gonzaga 10, George Mason 9, Utah State 8, Old Dominion 7, Alabama 6, Cincinnati 6, Penn State 6, Texas Tech 6, Xavier 5, Bowling Green 4, Ohio State 3, Southwest 2, Northwestern State 1, Oklahoma 1, Kansas State 1, Louisville 1, Middle Tennessee 1.

WEDNESDAY'S SCORES

EAST

Boston U. 91, Maine 59
Pittsburgh 78, Cincinnati 48
St. John's 87, Rutgers 81
West Virginia 93, Providence 61

SOUTH

Georgetown 78, Louisville 52
N.C. State 76, Fairfield 49
Tennessee 71, Auburn 62

Bowling Green 87, St. Bonaventure 72
Marquette 82, Villanova 57
Notre Dame 71, Syracuse 48
Xavier 100, St. Joseph's 87

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

SOUTHWEST

Stephen F. Austin at Texas St., 5:30 p.m.
Schreiner St. at Sam Houston St., 6 p.m.
Texas A&M-Corpus Christi at McMurry, 7 p.m.
Oklahoma at Baylor, 7 p.m.
Northwestern St. at Central Arkansas, 7 p.m.
UTSA at Texas-Arlington, 7 p.m.

EAST

Richmond at Fordham, 11 a.m.
Saint Louis at Temple, 11 a.m.
UMBC at Binghamton, 6 p.m.
Rhode Island at George Washington, 6 p.m.
Vermont at Hartford, 6 p.m.
Delaware at Massachusetts, 6 p.m.
Dayton at St. Bonaventure, 6 p.m.

SOUTH

South Alabama at N. Kentucky, 11:30 a.m.
Belmont at Jacksonville St., 6 p.m.
Samford at Mercer, 6 p.m.
South Carolina at Florida St., 6 p.m.
CS Bakersfield at Longwood, 6 p.m.
Texas A&M-Corpus Christi at Nicholls St., 6:30 p.m.
Louisiana-Monroe at Middle Tennessee, 7 p.m.

MIDWEST

Detroit at Illinois, 5:00 p.m.
Akron at E. Michigan, 6 p.m.
Kent St. at Miami (Ohio), 6 p.m.
Ohio St. at Cent. Michigan, 6:30 p.m.
Indiana at Kansas St., 7 p.m.
Iowa St. at Missouri, 7 p.m.
Nebraska at Kansas St., 7 p.m.
Wyoming at BYU, 9 p.m.
San Jose St. at Idaho, 9 p.m.
Air Force at Nevada, 9 p.m.
Colorado St. at San Diego St., 11 p.m.
Boise St. at Hawaii, 11 p.m.

Women's Top 15 Fared

Tuesday

1. Baylor (19-1) did not play; beat vs No. 13 Oklahoma, Wednesday.
2. Connecticut (21-1) did not play; beat vs No. 9 DePaul, Saturday.
3. Duke (20-1) did not play; beat at No. 24 Miami, Thursday.
4. Stanford (19-2) did not play; beat at Arizona State, Thursday.
5. Tennessee (21-2) did not play; beat at No. 16 Kentucky, Tuesday.
6. Texas A&M (19-2) did not play; beat at Texas Tech, Saturday.
7. Notre Dame (19-2) beat La Salle 102-51; beat at Dayton, Saturday.
8. North Dakota (19-4) beat Syracuse 71-48; beat at Rutgers, Thursday.
9. DePaul (21-2) did not play; beat at No. 2 Connecticut, Saturday.
10. Michigan State (18-3) did not play; beat at Northwestern, Tuesday.
11. Michigan State (18-3) did not play; beat at Penn State, Sunday.
12. Maryland (18-3) did not play; beat at No. 24 George Tech, Thursday.
13. Oklahoma (18-4) did not play; beat at No. 1 Baylor, Wednesday.
14. West Virginia (20-3) beat Providence 90-45; beat vs. Pittsburg, Saturday.
15. Georgetown (19-4) did not play; beat at No. 19 Florida State, Wednesday.

Women

Top 25 Scores in the USA Today/ESPN Women's College Basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Jan. 31, points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and previous ranking:

Team	Record	Pts	Prv
1. Baylor (19)	19-1	752	1
2. Connecticut (12)	21-1	737	2
3. Stanford	19-2	706	4
4. Tennessee	21-2	659	6
5. Duke	20-1	648	3
6. Texas A&M	19-2	580	5
7. Xavier	17-2	505	7
8. Notre Dame	19-2	348	9
9. UCLA	19-3	329	10
10. Maryland	18-3	307	12
11. Oklahoma	18-4	307	13
12. North Carolina	19-3	304	14

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	51	30	15	6	66	174	134
Pittsburgh	51	31	17	3	65	174	134
N.Y. Rangers	53	29	21	3	61	135	136
N.Y. Islanders	51	26	21	4	56	122	132
New Jersey	51	27	22	2	56	137	127

Northeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	51	31	15	5	67	150	114
Montreal	51	28	16	7	63	133	125
Buffalo	49	23	21	5	51	127	144
Toronto	50	20	23	7	47	145	170
Ottawa	51	17	26	8	42	130	170

Southeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	50	32	15	3	67	159	124
Washington	52	27	17	8	62	164	152
Atlanta	51	27	20	4	58	142	135
Carolina	51	25	20	6	56	130	131
Florida	50	22	21	7	51	134	139

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	49	30	13	6	66	166	140
Nashville	51	27	17	7	61	137	130
Chicago	51	27	20	4	58	164	140
St. Louis	49	23	20	7	53	150	146
Columbus	50	22	22	6	50	134	159

Northwest Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Vancouver	51	32	13	6	70	169	124
Colorado	50	30	15	5	65	157	134
Minnesota	50	25	19	6	56	161	160
Calgary	52	25	23	4	54	151	169
Edmonton	51	20	25	6	46	152	168

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	51	32	14	5	69	168	131
Anaheim	52	28	20	4	60	147	146
Phoenix	51	25	17	9	59	143	145
Los Angeles	51	25	20	6	56	143	125
Dallas	51	21	22	8	50	143	163

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

Tuesday's Scores

Florida 3, Atlanta 2, SO
Toronto 4, Phoenix 3, SO
Chicago 5, Columbus 4
Tampa Bay 4, Anaheim 2
Minnesota 3, Los Angeles 0, SO
New Jersey 2, Ottawa 1
Carolina 3, Calgary 2
N.Y. Islanders 4, Atlanta 1
Chicago 1, Columbus 4
Tampa Bay 4, Anaheim 2
Vancouver 4, Dallas 1
Colorado at St. Louis, ppd., snow
Phoenix at San Jose, late

Today's Games

Detroit at Ottawa, 6 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Pittsburgh, 6 p.m.
Florida at Montreal, 6:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Phoenix, 8:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at Edmonton, 8:30 p.m.
San Jose at Anaheim, 9 p.m.

TUESDAY'S SUMMARIES

CANUCKS 4, STARS 1

Vancouver	0	3	1 — 4
Dallas	0	1	0 — 1

First Period—None.

Second Period—1, Vancouver, Samuelsson 10 (Ehrhoff, D.Sedin), 26. 2, Vancouver, Ehrhoff 8 (D.Sedin, Samuelsson), 39. 3, Dallas, Eriksson 16 (Richards, Lehtonen), 42. 4, Vancouver, Kesler 28 (Hansen), 44.

Third Period—5, Vancouver, Burrows 12 (H.Sedin), 14:57.

Shots on Goal—Vancouver 7-11-6—24. Dallas 8-9-9—26.

Goalies—Vancouver, C.Schneider. Dallas, Lehtonen. A—17,864 (18,532). T—2:27.

CANADIENS 3, CAPITALS 2, SO

Montreal	0	2	0	1 — 3
Washington	2	0	0	0 — 2

Montreal won shootout 1-0

First Period—1, Washington, Perreault 6 (Fehr, Ovechkin), 12. 2, Washington, Knuble 12 (Green, Poti), 17.

Second Period—3, Montreal, Gionta 11 (Kostitsyn, Wisniewski), 8:26. 4, Montreal, Gionta 12 (Pacioretty), 17:22.

Third Period—None.

Overtime—None.

Shootout—Montreal 1 (Gionta G, Wisniewski NG, Kostitsyn NG, Pacioretty NG, Cammalleri NG). Overtime: NG.

Shots on Goal—Montreal 11-15-10-2—38. Washington 9-6-9-0—24.

Goalies—Montreal, Price. Washington, Varlamov. A—18,398 (18,398). T—2:32.

LIGHTNING 4, FLYERS 0

Philadelphia	0	0	0	— 0
Tampa Bay	1	1	2	— 4

First Period—1, Tampa Bay, Purcell 9 (Lecavalier, Gagne), 19. 2, Tampa Bay, Purcell 10 (Gagne), 20. 3, Tampa Bay, Purcell 11 (Lecavalier, Johnson), 14:07.

Second Period—None.

Third Period—4, Tampa Bay, Stamkos 39 (St. Louis, Clark), 5:51.

Shots on Goal—Philadelphia 13-14-11—38. Tampa Bay 8-11-9—28.

Goalies—Philadelphia, Bobrovsky. Boucher. Tampa Bay, Roloson. A—16,835 (19,758). T—2:23.

MAPLE LEAFS 4, PANTHERS 3, SO

Florida	1	1	1	0	— 3
Toronto	2	2	0	0	— 4

Toronto won shootout 2-1

First Period—1, Toronto, Versteeg 13 (Kaberle, Kulemin), 2:57. 2, Florida, Weiss 15 (Jovanovski, Sutter), 7:20. 3, Florida, Weiss 16 (Higgins, Allen), 18:56. 4, Toronto, Kulemin 17 (MacArthur, Grabovski), 18:29.

Second Period—5, Florida, Stoll 15 (Bergenheim, Allen), 4:34 (pp). 6, Toronto, Grabovski 21 (Kaberle, Kulemin), 6:16 (pp).

Third Period—None. Florida, Stillman 7 (Kulikov, Weiss), 19:12.

Overtime—None.

Shootout—Florida 1 (Booth G, Santorelli NG, Higgins NG). Toronto 2 (Hamrlik NG, Bozak G, Armstrong G).

Shots on Goal—Florida 11-10-12-0—33. Toronto 7-14-4-1—26.

Goalies—Florida, Clemmensen. Toronto, Giguere. A—19,518 (18,819). T—2:35.

ISLANDERS 4, THRASHER 1

N.Y. Islanders	0	3	1	— 4
Atlanta	1	0	0	— 1

First Period—1, Atlanta, Meyer 1 (Antropov, Bumhoffner), 14:35.

Second Period—2, N.Y. Islanders, Hayonga 1 (Kuperov, Parenteau), 5:23. 3, N.Y. Islanders, Okposo 1, 16:36. 4, N.Y. Islanders, Parenteau 13 (Okposo, Sweeney), 17:59 (pp).

Third Period—5, N.Y. Islanders, Okposo 2 (Grashner), 11:19.

Shots on Goal—N.Y. Islanders 8-17-6—31. Atlanta 10-9-7—26.

Goalies—N.Y. Islanders, Poulin. Atlanta, Pavelec. A—11,116 (18,545). T—2:22.

DEVILS 2, SENATORS 1

Ottawa	0	1	0	— 1
New Jersey	0	1	1	— 2

First Period—None.

Second Period—1, New Jersey, Parise 24 (Greene, Rolston), 14:47.

Third Period—2, Ottawa, Kovalev 9 (Alfredsson, Karlsson), 5:09 (pp).

Third Period—3, New Jersey, Zubrus 8 (Elias, Rolston), 14:11.

Shots on Goal—Ottawa 2-4-10—16. New Jersey 9-16-6—31.

Goalies—Ottawa, Lehtonen. New Jersey, Brodeur. A—17,219 (17,625). T—2:09.

BLACKHAWKS 7, BLUE JACKETS 4

Chicago	2	3	2	— 7
Columbus	1	2	1	— 4

First Period—1, Columbus, Dorsett 3 (Russell, Clarke), 5:57. 2, Chicago, Ladd 9 (Sopel, Boynton), 9:10. 3, Chicago, Keith 4 (Kane, Sharp), 17:44 (pp).

Second Period—4, Columbus, Brassard 13 (Huselius), 1:40. 5, Columbus, Palmieri 4 (Clark, Dorsett), 2:22. 6, Chicago, Stalberg 8 (Pisani, Toews), 4:52. 7, Chicago, Kane 14 (Toews, Brouwer), 12:36. 8, Chicago, Toews 16 (Hossa, Seabrook), 19:20 (sh).

Third Period—9, Chicago, Bolland 11 (Bickell, Pisani), 12:09. 10, Columbus, Calvert 5 (Mitchell, Anderson), 19:30. 11, Chicago, Seabrook (Saad), 19:24 (en).

Shots on Goal—Chicago, 9-13-5—27. Columbus 8-12-12—32.

Power-play opportunities—Chicago, 1 of 4. Columbus 0 of 3.

Goalies—Chicago, Turco. Columbus, Mason. A—12,998 (18,144). T—2:29.

PENGUINS 4, RANGERS 3, SO

Pittsburgh	1	2	0	0	— 3
N.Y. Rangers	1	2	0	0	— 3

Pittsburgh won shootout 1-0

First Period—1, N.Y. Rangers, Prust 8 (Girardi, Boyle), 3:52.

Second Period—2, N.Y. Rangers, Anisimov 11 (Dubinsky, Gaborik), 1:01. 3, Pittsburgh, Jeffrey 3 (Hunter, Goligoski), 5:56 (pp). 4, Pittsburgh, Ruutu 5 (M.Talbot, Engelland), 10:26. 5, Pittsburgh, Kunitz 17 (Michalek, Orpik), 14:12. 6, N.Y. Rangers, Callahan 12 (Del Zotto, Zuccarello), 19:47 (pp).

Third Period—None.

Overtime—None.

Shootout—Pittsburgh 1, Letang NG, Dupuis NG, Kunitz NG, Goligoski NG, Tyutin NG, Kennedy NG, Conner NG, Jeffrey G). N.Y. Rangers 0 (Hunter NG, Zuccarello NG, Callahan NG, Anisimov NG, Stepan NG, Dubinsky NG, Gaborik NG).

Shots on Goal—Pittsburgh 9-12-9-0—30. N.Y. Rangers 9-12-11-0—32.

Goalies—Pittsburgh, Fleury. N.Y. Rangers, Lundqvist. A—18,200 (18,200). T—2:47.

FLAMES 3, PREDATORS 2, SO

Calgary	0	1	1	0	— 2
Nashville	1	0	1	0	— 2

Calgary won shootout 1-0

First Period—1, Nashville, Erat 7 (Kostopoulos, Suter), 7:40.

Second Period—None.

Third Period—2, Calgary, Stajan 4 (Jackman, Giordano), 2:57. 3, Nashville, Hornqvist 16 (Weber, Suter), 5:24. 4, Calgary, Sarich 2 (Bourque, Morrison), 9:54.

Overtime—None.

Shootout—Calgary 1 (R.Bourque G, Talbot NG, Jokinen NG). Nashville 0 (Erat NG, Franson NG, Legwand NG).

Shots on Goal—Calgary 6-6-15-4—31. Nashville 11-6-9-1—27.

Goalies—Calgary, Kiprusoff. Nashville, Rinne. A—14,360 (17,113). T—2:29.

NOTE: Two points are awarded for a win, one point for an overtime or shootout loss. Overtime or shootout losses are only denoted in the OL column, not the loss column.

Tuesday's Scores

Texas 4, Odessa 1
Laredo 5, Arizona 3

Today's Games

Rapid City at Odessa, 7:05 p.m.
Texas at Allen, 7:30 p.m.
Missouri at Colorado, 8:05 p.m.
Laredo at Arizona, 8:05 p.m.

GOLF

THIS WEEK'S TOURNAMENTS

PGA Tour

Phoenix Open

Site: Scottsdale, Ariz.
Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.
Course: TPC Scottsdale Stadium Course (7,216 yards, par 71).
Purse: $6.1 million. Winner's share $1,098,000.
Television: Golf Channel (Thursday, 3-6 p.m., 7:30-10:30 p.m.; Friday, 3-5 p.m., 7:30-10:30 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Noon-1:30 p.m., 2:30-10:30 p.m.; Sunday, Noon-1:30 p.m., 2:30-10:30 p.m.) and CBS (Saturday, 3-5 p.m.; Sunday, 3-5 p.m.).
Last year: Kevin Stadler won the first of his two 2010 titles, closing with consecutive bogey-free 6-under 65s to beat Rickie Fowler by a stroke.
Last week: Bubba Watson won the Farmers Insurance Open at Torrey Pines for his second tour title, birdieing the final hole for a one-stroke victory over Phil Mickelson. Tiger Woods tied for 46th, 16 strokes back.
Notes: Mickelson, Mahan and 2011 tour winner's rookie Jonathan Byrd. Mark Wilson and Jonathan Vegas are in the field along with Fowler, Dustin Johnson, Geoff Ogilvy, J.B. Holmes, Kevin Na and Hunter Mahan. Mickelson won in 1998 and 2005. In 2005, the former Arizona State star shot a 60 in the second round en route to his first-ever victory. Thomas won in 2006 and 2008. Mark Calcavecchia won in 1989, 1992 and 2001, shooting 60-62-64-67 in 2001 for a 28-under 253 — the first time a PGA Tour record. The Phoenix Beach National Pro-Am is next week, followed by the Northern Trust Open at Riviera in Los Angeles.
Online: http://www.pgatour.com

PGA EUROPEAN TOUR

Qatar Masters

Site: Doha, Qatar.
Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.
Course: Doha Country Club (7,388 yards, par 72).
Purse: $2.5 million. Winner's share $416,666.
Television: Golf Channel (Thursday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturday 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; Sunday 11 a.m.-1 p.m., 7:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Monday, 11 p.m.-2 a.m.).
Last year: Sweden's Robert Karlsson closed with a 67 for a two-stroke victory.
Last week: England's Paul Casey won the Volvo Golf Champions in Bahrain, birdieing the final hole for a one-stroke victory over Peter Hanson and Miguel Angel Jimenez.
Notes: Top-ranked Lee Westwood and No. 2 Martin Kaymer, the Abu Dhabi winner two weeks ago, top the field along with Casey, Karlsson, Ian Poulter, Retief Goosen, Steve Stricker and Louis Oosthuizen. John Daly received a sponsor exemption. The Dubai Desert Classic next week, followed by the U.S. 17 Avantha Masters in India.
Online: http://www.europeantour.com

OTHER TOURNAMENT

Women

AUSTRALIAN LADIES PROFESSIONAL GOLF LADIES EUROPEAN TOUR: Women's Australian Open, Thursday-Sunday, Commonwealth Golf Club, Melbourne, Australia. Online: http://playgolf.com.au; http://www.elpg.com.au; http://www.ladieseuropeantour.org

NFL

NFL Playoffs

Conference Championships

Sunday, Jan. 23

Green Bay 21, Chicago 14
Pittsburgh 24, N.Y. Jets 19

Pro Bowl

Sunday, Jan. 30

At Honolulu

Super Bowl

Sunday, Feb. 6

At Arlington

Pittsburgh vs. Green Bay, 5:30 p.m. (FOX)

AP NFL Offensive Player

The NFL Offensive Players of the Year selected by The Associated Press, selected by a nationwide panel of five media members:

2010	— Tom Brady, New England, QB
2009	— Chris Johnson, Tennessee, RB
2008	— Drew Brees, New Orleans, QB
2007	— Tom Brady, New England, QB
2006	— LaDainian Tomlinson, San Diego, RB
2005	— Shaun Alexander, Seattle, RB
2004	— Peyton Manning, Indianapolis, QB
2003	— Jamal Lewis, Baltimore, RB
2002	— Priest Holmes, Kansas City, RB
2001	— Marshall Faulk, St. Louis, RB
2000	— Marshall Faulk, St. Louis, RB
1999	— Terrell Davis, Denver, RB
1998	— Barry Sanders, Detroit, RB
1997	— Terrell Davis, Denver, RB
1996	— Brett Favre, Green Bay, QB
1995	— Emmitt Smith, Dallas, RB
1994	— Jerry Rice, San Francisco, WR
1993	— Steve Young, San Francisco, QB
1992	— Thurman Thomas, Buffalo, RB
1991	— Warren Moon, Houston, QB
1990	— Joe Montana, San Francisco, QB
1989	— Barry Sanders, Detroit, RB
1988	— Jerry Rice, San Francisco, WR
1987	— Eric Dickerson, Los Angeles Rams, RB
1986	— Marcus Allen, Los Angeles Raiders, RB
1985	— Dan Marino, Miami, QB
1984	— Joe Theismann, Washington, QB
1983	— Joe Theismann, Washington, QB
1982	— Joe Theismann, Washington, QB
1981	— Ken Anderson, Cincinnati, QB
1980	— Earl Campbell, Houston, RB
1979	— Earl Campbell, Houston, RB
1978	— Earl Campbell, Houston, RB
1977	— Walter Payton, Chicago, RB
1976	— Bert Jones, Baltimore, QB
1975	— Fran Tarkenton, Minnesota, QB
1974	— Ken Stabler,

College baseball goes back to fundamentals with altered bats

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

College baseball fans are going to notice a big difference this season when the game goes back to emphasizing the fundamentals instead of the long ball.

The reason for that is because aluminum bats used in the college game are now constructed to look more like wooden bats to slow down the exit speed of the ball. The bat must now meet the Batted-Ball Coefficient of Restitution, or BBCOR, regulation than the previous Ball Exit Speed Ratio, or BESR, number. The new bat carries more weight at the head instead of the old aluminum bats, which were balanced all the way across and the "sweet spot" has been greatly diminished.

While some college coaches have scoffed at the new bat, Midland College head baseball coach David Coleman loves it.

"I think it's the greatest thing to happen to college baseball," he said. "They compare them to wood bats: A hard wood, pro bat may not outperform this. I think it's great because baseball is back to what it should be, centered around — pitching, defense and situational aspects."

Midland College sophomore second baseman Joe Wielbruda said his team has been focusing more on the fundamentals in practice.

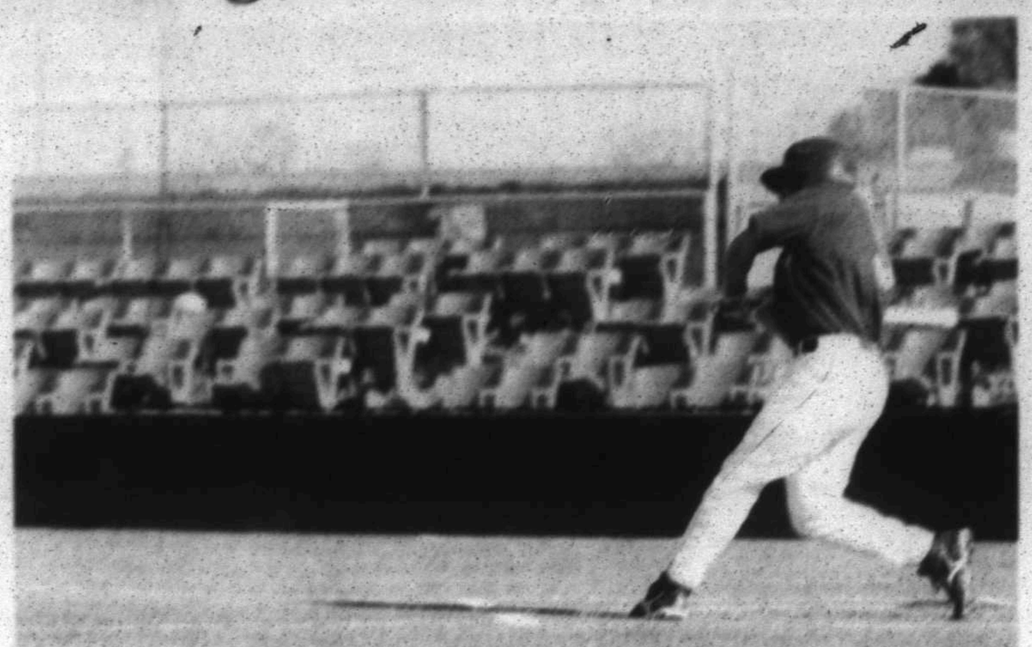
"We've been focusing on the small parts during practices, especially with the new bat," he said. "We need to focus on the small ball part of the game and make sure we execute all that stuff to perfection because that's what it's going to take to get to the level we want to be at."

With home runs and big statistical numbers now being at a premium, that means college baseball teams will have to rely more on stolen bases, sacrifice bunts and a strategic brand of baseball instead of waiting on the three-run home run, which is very common in Western Junior College Athletic Conference.

"Especially in our conference, every ballpark plays little. The ball carries in every ballpark, no lead is ever safe," Coleman said. "When you've got a guy who's 5-(foot)-8, 160 pounds hitting home runs, it's not what it's supposed to be."

There are some college coaches who believe that they might lose fans because of the lack of offense. But at the junior college level where conference play consists of doubleheaders, Coleman believes that they might gain fans because doubleheaders will no longer last six hours.

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BASEBALL'S IN FLIGHT Midland College infielder Joe Wielbruda swings and hits a ball for a double during a game last year.

2011 CHAPS AT A GLANCE

Coach: David Coleman, fifth year (140-90-1)

Last season: 38-20-1 overall, 19-13 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference (T 2nd), 1-2 in Regional Tournament.

Key losses: C Toby Semler, OF Trey Whaley, OH Marshall Williams, P David Walkling, P Lance Day, INF Matt Moreno, P Cody Scott

Key returners: 2B Joe Wielbruda, SS Nick Smelser, CF Tate Baker, P Blake Stewart, P Chris Posada, 1B/P A.J. Longoria, C Ryan Small, OF Cameron Mavroulis, 3B Alex Salas

Top newcomers: OF Matt Bienek, P Ricky Rushing, P Josh Stone

Coach Coleman's quote on pitching: "We've got a lot of depth but haven't had the guy emerge yet. I've got a lot of likable options. The only veteran that returns with a lot of experience is Blake Stewart, and then there's Chris Posada, who had a real solid outing at Howard last year. Outside of those two veteran guys, we're pretty new and unproven, but talented."

Notes: Coleman said his team is more athletic than it's been in a while and has more team speed. ...Coleman will also have the ability to put plenty of experience on the field as Wielbruda, Smelser and Salas return in the infield. Longoria will move from the outfield to first base to take pressure of his arm as he will also be doing a lot of pitching. In the outfield, Baker moves over to center, while Mavroulis will have a good shot to start at one of the corner positions. At catcher, Small returns with experience while Patrick Lopez redshirted last year. ...While the pitching staff roles get settled, Coleman said at least early on, it will be pitching by committee and there will be several short stints.

2011 Midland College baseball roster

No.	Name	Class	Ht./Wt.	Pos.	B/T	Hometown
1	Tate Baker	Soph.	5-11/175	INF	R/R	Flower Mound
8	Matt Bienek	Fr.	6-1/196	OF	R/R	Burleson
18	Colter Bolton	Fr.	6-4/201	LHP	L/L	Powell, Wyo.
21	Will Brown	Fr.	5-11/184	LHP	R/L	Lubbock
38	Ryan Diaz	Soph.	6-2/202	R-P/INF	L/R	Andrews
37	Mike Fernandez	Fr.	6-4/195	P	R/R	Weslaco, Jordan H.
24	Chris Fischer	Fr.	6-2/188	R-P/P	R/R	Moriarty, N.M.
11	Hunter Fluke	Fr.	6-2/210	R-P/P	R/R	Schertz, Colo.
36	Daniel Fransworth	Fr.	5-6/145	INF	L/L	Bronx, Cordova H.
20	Niko Gonzalez	Fr.	5-8/180	OF	L/L	Boerne
14	Keaton Hicks	Fr.	6-1/175	INF	R/R	Colleyville
27	Marcus Holguin	Fr.	5-10/189	OF	R/L	Midland
6	Justin Lee	Fr.	5-10/-	INF	R/R	Ysleta, Socorro
9	Jordan Littlefield	Soph.	6-1/188	R-P/P-OF	R/R	Marion
30	Ryan Long	Fr.	5-11/190	INF	R/R	Mansfield
15	A.J. Longoria	Soph.	5-11/160	OF-RHP	L/R	Corpus Christi
19	Patrick Lopez	Fr.	6-1/192	C	R/R	Artesia, N.M.
31	Jesse Lozier	Fr.	5-10/203	INF	R/R	Round Rock
10	Connor Mavroulis	Soph.	5-11/185	OF	R/R	Saginaw
12	Tanner Mitchell	Fr.	5-9/165	OF	L/R	Abilene
17	Reagan Pearson	Soph.	6-1/190	OF	L/R	Lubbock
4	Chris Posada	Soph.	6-2/182	R-P/P	R/R	Midland
5	Jordan Richburg	Soph.	6-0/178	INF	R/R	Lubbock
26	Jose Robinson	Fr.	6-4/175	R-P/P	R/R	Shelby, Mont.
32	Ben Rockafellow	Soph.	6-6/221	R-P/P	R/R	Sunset
16	Ricky Rushing	Fr.	6-3/166	R-P/P	R/R	Lubbock
15	Alejandro Salas	Soph.	5-10/196	INF	L/R	San Antonio
28	Nick Salois	Fr.	5-11/180	R-P/P	R/R	Midland
40	Hunter Scott	Fr.	6-3/215	R-P/P	R/R	Lubbock
2	Ryan Small	Soph.	5-8/160	C	R/R	Longview
7	Nick Smelser	Soph.	6-0/180	INF	R/R	San Antonio
34	Blake Stewart	Soph.	6-4/197	R-P/P	R/R	Midland
29	Josh Stone	Soph.	6-5/181	R-P/P	R/R	Saginaw
23	Levi Westerfield	Fr.	6-4/220	R-P/P	R/R	Dyer, Alberta
22	Kirby Wheeler	Soph.	6-3/200	LHP	L/L	Cardinal, N.M.
1	Joe Wielbruda	Soph.	5-11/185	INF	R/R	Youngstown, Ohio
33	Caleb Zubia	Fr.	5-8/139	LHP	L/L	Midland

Head Coach: David Coleman
Assistant Coach: Hector Rodriguez
Assistant Coach: Chris Rowland
Assistant Coach: Jesse Benavidez
Assistant Coach: Jim Lawler

2011 Midland College Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Feb. 5	at McLennan CC (DH)	Noon
Feb.6	at McClennan CC (1)	Noon
Feb. 9	Grayson County (at Abilene)	7 p.m.
Feb. 12	at Ranger College	Noon
Feb. 15	New Mexico JC (1)	5 p.m.
Feb. 18	at Weatherford College (1)	3 p.m.
Feb. 19	at Weatherford College	Noon
Feb. 21	Ranger College	5 p.m.
Feb. 25	Western Texas College*	3 p.m.
Feb. 26	at Western Texas College*	Noon
March 6	Clarendon College*	2 p.m.
March 7	Clarendon College*	Noon
March 11	Howard College*	Noon
March 12	Howard College*	1 p.m.
March 15-19	Pima Arizona Tournament	TBA
March 25	Lubbock Christian JV	5 p.m.
March 26	Lubbock Christian JV (1)	5 p.m.
April 1	at New Mexico JC*	Noon
April 2	New Mexico JC*	2 p.m.
April 8	at Odessa College*	Noon
April 9	Odessa College*	2 p.m.
April 12	Howard College (1)	6:30 p.m.
April 15	at Frank Phillips College*	Noon
April 16	at Frank Phillips College*	Noon
April 19	Odessa College (1)	6:30 p.m.
April 22	El Paso CC*	3 p.m.
April 23	El Paso CC*	Noon
April 29	at New Mexico Military*	Noon
April 30	at New Mexico Military*	Noon
May 7	Region V Tournament (Lubbock)	TBA

*Denotes Western Junior College Athletic Conference opponent

2011 NJCAA Division I Baseball Preseason Rankings

Rank	College	2010 Record
1.	Howard College	45-10
2.	San Jacinto College-North	53-12
3.	St. Col. of Fla.-Manatee-Sarasota	37-15
4.	Walters State CC	40-6
5.	Central Arizona College	46-20
6.	Howard College	39-20
7.	Eastern Okla.	37-22
8.	Middle Ga College	38-22
9.	Chipola College	29-25
10.	Iowa Western CC	51-12
11.	Spartanburg Methodist Coll.	46-10
12.	Johnson County CC	44-14
13.	Northeast Texas CC	42-17
14.	Miami Dade College	37-13
15.	Yavapai College	42-20
16.	Temple College	39-25
17.	Chattahoochee Valley CC	40-6
18.	Chattanooga State CC	38-17
19.	Western Nevada College	34-17
20.	Pitt CC	41-13
21.	Wabash Valley Coll.	50-12
22.	Col. of Southern Nevada	56-10
23.	Santa Fe College	26-18
24.	Jefferson College	36-14
25.	Cowley County CC	39-16

Back

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injuries and it was almost impossible to evaluate your team," Coleman said. "You could evaluate individuals and players but you couldn't get a barometer to what your team was going to be like without your two most important everyday guys. It's huge to have those guys back and healthy."

Wielbruda and Smelser are back healthy and ready to lead the Chaparrals this season with not only experience but both make the Chaps' middle infield a major strength as Smelser will start at shortstop, while Wielbruda will patrol second base.

"I like the strength that we have in the middle of the field," Coleman said. "They're athletic and they can run."

Wielbruda is making the move from playing mostly shortstop last year to playing full-time second base this season. The Youngstown, Ohio, product said he doesn't mind the switch, especially coming off his elbow injury. He is also looking to build on a freshman season that saw him lead the team with a .428 batting average, to go with 27 RBI and 42 runs scored.

"It feels a lot better now," said Wielbruda about his elbow. "They look to me and Nick Smelser being healthy again. We're looking forward to coming back strong and we're real excited about it.

"I had such a great year last year but there's always room for improvement and I always want to do better than the year before. There's never settling at any point."

Meanwhile, Smelser is finally settling on a position after being used at both corner infield positions as well at shortstop. Smelser was sixth on the team in batting average last year with a .365 clip, to go with five home runs and 33 RBI.

"I'm excited about playing shortstop full-time," said Smelser, who played for MacArthur High School in San Antonio. "Last year I started and then I kind of got moved around to first and third, but I'm really excited to just play short and be in the middle of the field. Hopefully I get a lot of ground balls and line drives. I'm expecting to have a good year and I'm expecting to have a better year than last year. I want to be a lot more relaxed and try to lose the anxiety that I had playing as a freshman."

While both of these players are talented at their positions, both will be seen as leaders. That's just the way it works at the junior college level as one year you're the new kid, the next you're a seasoned veteran.

"We've got a great core of sophomore infielders and we've got some talented freshmen outfielders that are going to make an immediate impact with our team," Wielbruda said. "I think with us having a lot of poise and showing the other guys that we're confident, kind of rubs off on them and makes them perform at a higher level. If the other guys are looking for some inspiration I think we're providing it for them really well."

Smelser agrees that the leadership of the sophomores is always important to helping a junior college be successful.

"You don't have the four years that you have at a D-I or a D-II (university program)," he said. "You only have a certain amount of time to get your freshmen to mesh with the game and really get them going for their sophomore year. I know last year our sophomores did a good job of helping me and Joe and Tate (Baker) really gel with the game."

Wielbruda and Smelser also agree that this year's team has enough talent to not only compete in the WJCAC but make a run at a regional tournament. Last year, the Chaparrals finished second in the conference and went 1-2 at the regional tourney.

"We're just looking forward to this season and making that push to (the Junior College World Series). That's the ultimate goal," Wielbruda said. "That's all we ever talk about, that's all we ever dream about, and hopefully this is the year we're going to make it happen."

Added Smelser, "Anything besides the regional tournament and farther is a disappointment. I expect us to win a lot of games this year and be very competitive at the regional tournament."

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2011 LADY CHAPS AT A GLANCE

Coach: Tommy Ramos, 13th season, (556-166-3)

Last season: 46-10, 22-2 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference (1st); NJCAA Region V West finalist

Key losses: DP Gabby Hernandez, 3B Elsa Apo, P Amanda Woodward, P Clarissa Molina, P Megan Penneau, SS Diana Parada, OF Jasmine Angelo

Key returners: 1B/P Kishti Kamaka, 3B/OF Katie Whitten, 1B Holly Hitzeman, Hannah Raubolt, OF Angel Lopez

Key newcomers: 3B Debra Lovell, C/INF Meghan Macias, 2B/SS Diana De La Paz, 2B/SS Ashley Chavez, P/OF Gabee Losoya, C/OF Tami Sisneros, P Yolanda Rios

Ramos' quote: "We're going to have a young team. Definitely our success will depend how well our freshmen progress and also how willing they are to take a leadership role. While the sophomores that we have are great, they are just outnumbered and that can be overwhelming. I think we'll be strong again this year and be there competing for the national tournament, barring major injuries."

Notes: The Lady Chaparrals' pitching staff took a hit into the offseason with the loss of Penneau with a torn labrum. Penneau was an All-WJCAC selection last year after going 17-5 with a 1.06 ER. Ramos said Rios and MHS grad Losoya will do most of the pitching. Also look for Kamaka and probably Brittany Serrano, who came over from volleyball to help the team, to pitch some as well. ...The Lady Chaps will begin the season playing games at the Freddie Ezell Softball Complex because their on-campus facility probably won't be ready until March. MC only had three home dates between now and April, including the Midland College Classic on Feb. 18-19.

2011 Midland College Roster

No.	Name	Class	Pos.	Hometown
12	Erika Basurto	Fr.	C/OF	Riverside, Calif.
14	Ashley Chavez	Fr.	2B/SS	Midland
20	Diana De La Paz	Fr.	2B/SS	Paramount, Calif.
27	Genevieve Estrada	Fr.	1B/OF	Ontario, Calif.
18	Holly Hitzeman	Soph.	1B	Chino Hills, Calif.
10	Kishti Kamaka	Soph.	1B/P	Kapolei, Hawaii
23	Samantha Kuikini	Fr.	OF/3B	Waianae, Hawaii
1	Angel Lopez	Soph.	OF	Vista, Calif.
3	Gabee Losoya	Fr.	P/OF	Midland
15	Debra Lovell	Soph.	3B	Downey, Calif.
2	Adrianna Lozano	Soph.	OF	Los Angeles
5	Meghan Macias	Fr.	C	Buena Park, Calif.
6	Aubrey Martinez	Fr.	OF	Colorado
23	Kayla Parra	Fr.	OF	Fullerton, Calif.
13	Megan Penneau	Soph.	P	Moreno Valley, Calif.
4	Hannah Raubolt	Soph.	2B	Stockington, Calif.
9	Yolanda Rios	Fr.	P	Fullerton, Calif.
19	Brittany Serrano	Fr.	P/INF	Marfa
25	Tami Sisneros	Fr.	C/OF	Midland
7	Katie Whitten	Soph.	3B/OF	Riverside, Calif.
17	Alex Woodward	Fr.	OF/2B	Menifee, Calif.

Head Coach: Tommy Ramos
Assistant Coach: Mateo Hiva

2011 Midland College Softball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Feb. 5	Galveston Tournament	TBA
Feb. 8	at Lubbock Christian Univ.	1 p.m.
Feb. 11-12	at Cowtown Tournament	TBA
Feb. 17	Otero Junior College	11:30 a.m.
Feb. 17	Trinidad State	5 p.m.
Feb. 18-19	Midland College Classic	TBA
Feb. 25-26	at Temple College Tournament	TBA
March 4-5	at Northeast Texas Tournament	TBA
March 17-19	at Central Arizona Tournament	TBA
March 25	at Frank Phillips College*	1 p.m.
March 26	at Clarendon College*	1 p.m.
April 1	at Howard College*	1 p.m.
April 2	Howard College*	1 p.m.
April 8	Odessa College*	2 p.m.
April 9	at Odessa College*	2 p.m.
April 15	at El Paso C.C.*	1 p.m.
April 16	at El Paso C.C.*	11 a.m.
April 21	Frank Phillips College*	1 p.m.
April 22	Clarendon College*	1 p.m.
April 29	at Western Texas College*	1 p.m.
April 30	Western Texas College*	1 p.m.
May 5-8	Region V West Tournament (Lubbock)	TBA

May19-21 NJCAA National Tournament (St. George, Utah) TBA
*denotes Western Junior College Athletic Conference opponent

2011 NJCAA Division I Softball Preseason Rankings

Rank	College	2010 Record
1.	Miami State College	51-7
2.	Yavapai College	54-16
3.	Salt Lake CCC	61-5
4.	Wallace State CC	62-9
5.	Chipola College	49-13
6.	Midland College	46-10
7.	Northeastern Okla A&M	44-14
8.	Blinn College	45-11
9.	Chattanooga State CC	53-14
10.	Santa Fe College	46-9
11.	Butler CC	42-12
12.	Pima CC	37-11
13.	Georgia Perimeter Coll.	35-15
14.	Odessa College	34-20
15.	College of Southern Idaho	47-22
16.	McLennan CC	41-9
17.	Lake Land College	40-13
18.	Seminole State College	51-17
19.	Indian Hills CC	33-24
20.	Pitt CC	39-13

Kamaka

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While Lady Chap fans have yet to see Kamaka pitch in a regular season game, she does have experience. She pitched in high school, summer ball and has pitched for the Lady Chaps during the last couple of fall seasons. While that may not be her strength at the collegiate level, that is another thing Kamaka is willing to do to help the team.

"It's more of a mental thing for me," she said.

A definite strength for Kamaka is her hitting. Ramos said by having her play different positions this season will keep her in the lineup. In her All-Western Junior College Athletic Conference freshman campaign, Kamaka batted .366 with three home runs and 21 RBI, to go with a .987 fielding percentage.

Kamaka might be one of the power bats in a lineup that might not have the power of last year's team that featured such hitters as Gabby Hernandez and Elsa Apo. Kamaka said not having those big, strong hitters like the ones MC had last year is the biggest difference in this year's team.

"There's not a lot of big hitters but there are girls who can hit the ball well," she said.

Ramos added that while the team doesn't have a Hernandez or Apo type, there is potential with this team.

"We have more speed than we did last year," Ramos said. "Home runs are great but all I'm looking for is good contact. Singles and doubles win games too. This year I think (power) will come with confidence. I think it's also contagious. Once we start going, the rest will follow. Kishti is certainly capable of doing that for us. She'll be our big hitter and will definitely lead this team offensively."

Kamaka, whose older sister Amber was an all-conference outfielder for the Lady Chaps, believes this team has a lot of potential. After losing in last year's Region V West Tournament championship to Odessa College, Kamaka said that with hard work, the Lady Chaps can break through this year and reach the national tournament.

"It's definitely motivation for the sophomores," she said. "We don't want to fall short like we did last year. We want to push the freshmen and we tell them how we felt when we lost, so maybe that can motivate them."

With a little motivation and help from Kamaka, the Lady Chaps might just accomplish their goals this season.

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A Super Bowl shiver hits Texas

By Schuyler Dixon
Associated Press

FORT WORTH — One Pittsburgh safety kept interrupting reporters' questions about the Super Bowl to complain it was too chilly. A Green Bay receiver bragged that the snow outside made the Packers "the home team."

Even the player known as "The Freezer" said Texas was just too cold.

Five days before the Super Bowl, a wintry blast of snow, ice and bone-chilling winds hit the Dallas area on Tuesday, closing the airport for a couple of hours and turning roads into ice rinks.

As workers shoveled and scraped the icy walkways outside Cowboys Stadium, Green Bay Packers nose tackle B.J. Raji, known for his frigid nickname, was asked about the Big Chill in Big D for the big game.

"Too cold," said the 337-pound Raji. "Feels like the AC is on."

And then some.

Downtown Fort Worth, a few miles from the stadium in Arlington, was virtually deserted. Dave Carden, a production assistant for ESPN's operation in the old cow town, cleared ice off the red-brick streets a day after handing out T-shirts.

"I think you've got enough fans from Pittsburgh and Green Bay to come out," said Tim Callahan, a 28-year-old former stockbroker who lives downtown. "I don't know how many of the locals will come out."

While the rest of the Dallas area slipped and slid through a miserable day, the NFL stuck to its Super Bowl schedule.



David J. Phillip/AP

SNOW, SNOW EVERYWHERE Jesse Wild clears snow off a stage set outside Cowboys Stadium on Tuesday in preparation for Sunday's Super Bowl XLV in Arlington.

League spokesman Greg Aiello sent out a Twitter message not long after sunrise saying media activities would go on as planned — and they did, with the roof of Cowboys Stadium thankfully closed high above the Packers, Steelers and hundreds of reporters in town for Sunday's game.

"The show goes on," Aiello wrote. "Media day is on schedule. Drive carefully."

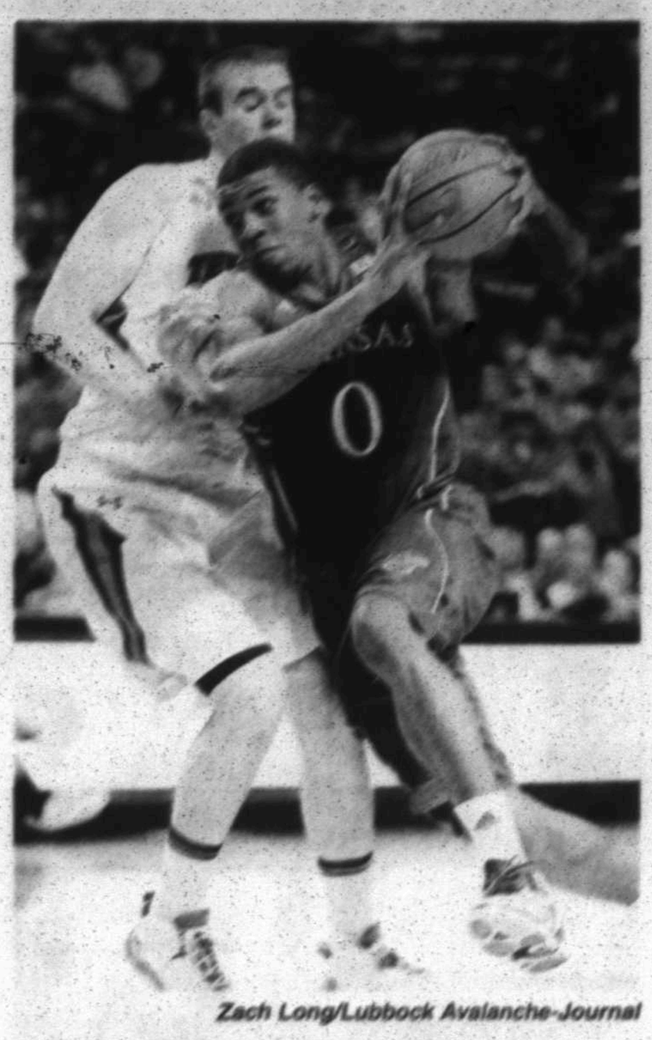
The North Texas climate can be moderate — highs were in the mid-70s just days ago — but the area left no doubt about its wintry side as a massive storm moved across the country. The National Weather Service said it won't be above freezing until Friday and Sunday's forecast calls for highs in the mid-50s.

Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport was shut down briefly, and primary tenant American Airlines canceled 800 flights — about half its daily service. A spokesman said it was too early to tell whether the trickle-down would affect the heavier passenger loads for the Super Bowl later in the week.

The Packers might even practice indoors this week if the weather doesn't improve — just like they do at home, where the temperature hovered in the low 20s Tuesday.

"It's a little too cold for me," Green Bay linebacker Clay Matthews said. "Texas is supposed to be hot and humid. I was looking forward to that. I am a California guy."

Steelers safety Ryan Clark, a Louisiana native, stopped several times between questions and said: "Man, it's freezing in here!"



Zach Long/Lubbock Avalanche-Journal

OUT OF THE WAY Kansas' Thomas Robinson, right, works the ball past Texas Tech's Robert Lewandowski during the first half Tuesday at United Spirit Arena in Lubbock.

No. 2 Kansas routs Texas Tech

By Betsy Blaney
Associated Press

Jayhawks	88
Red Raiders	66

LUBBOCK — Second-ranked Kansas was glad to finally get a win in Lubbock, beating Texas Tech 88-66.

"Against Texas Tech, obviously we've had troubles in Lubbock the past six or seven years," said Brady Morningstar, who finished with 12 points Tuesday night. "It's good to get a win here."

Marcus Morris scored 18 points to lead the Jayhawks, giving them their first win in Lubbock since 2003.

Kansas (21-1, 6-1 Big 12) never trailed and steadily built an insurmountable lead. The Jayhawks were hot from the outset, and though their shooting cooled in the second half, they prevailed with ease.

The Red Raiders (11-12, 3-5) were at a loss to stop the Jayhawks, who seemed to score from everywhere. They made 8 of 20 3-point attempts and got 48 points in the paint.

"They got rolling there," Texas Tech coach Pat Knight said of the game's start. "They were on fire. That's as good a start as I've seen. The game was pretty much over after the first 5 minutes."

Morningstar hit a 3 to make it 13-4 in the first 5 minutes of the game.

Kansas coach Bill Self said the early success helped.

"Made so many shots early, it helped our confidence," he said. "Making shots is contagious, too. That's basketball. Sometimes you make them, sometimes you don't."

John Roberson scored 24 points to lead the Red Raiders.

Texas Tech went to the 3 in the second half to try and catch up but made only 6 of 22 for the game.

Jerry Jones finds ways to smile about Super Bowl

By Jaime Aron
Associated Press

DALLAS — His team in shambles, his big Super Bowl week kicking off with roads shellacked by ice, Jerry Jones still found plenty of reasons to smile Tuesday.

No matter the negatives thrown his way at a news conference, the owner of the Dallas Cowboys found the sunny side.

Start with the weather, which he considered a good thing.

"In sales, you set expectations at one point, then you stop and you close with a big pot you bang at the end," Jones said. "So I'll start with these icy streets and end with beautiful days at the end of the week."

He was even happy winds were whipping so hard that they ripped apart tents set up around his $1.2 billion Cowboys Stadium for Sunday's game.

"I'm glad it was blowing that hard because I want it to blow through," he said. "I'm dead serious. ... I just said, 'C'mon baby, keep blowing.'"

Jones also said he was thrilled with the Super Bowl matchup being the Green Bay Packers against the Pittsburgh Steelers, saying, "you couldn't have drawn it up, for me, any better."

Really? Having the Cowboys in it wouldn't have been the ultimate thrill?

"I think I crossed that bridge after about six or seven games," he said, smiling again. "We had a league meeting with all the owners and I told them early in the fall, I said, 'Boy, I hope each and every one of you can be here and be a part of it. The way we're stinking it up ... the idea of being the first team that ever played in its own Super Bowl has passed me by.'"

Jones spent all summer hyping the idea of the Cowboys becoming the first Super Bowl host to actually play in the big game. His optimism dimmed only when he discussed their miserable season — a 1-7 start that prompted him to fire coach Wade Phillips. He blamed himself for letting the hype cloud his view.

"I've done my worst work when I thought I had a pretty good hand," he said. "We certainly didn't play, didn't coach, didn't general manage, didn't own up to expectations."

Some Dallas fans are disappointed to have the Packers and Steelers in this game because they still hold a grudge for those teams being stumbling blocks to the Cowboys in the 1960s and '70s. Jones can be a gracious host because Dallas beat Pittsburgh in a Super Bowl during his ownership. The Cowboys also did well against the Brett Favre-led Packers in the 1990s.

"It's been 15 years since Green Bay's been here, so why not?" Jones said.

Since his club flopped, Jones began to focus on having one heck of a Super Bowl.

"That makes it a little easier," he said.

Brady wins top offensive player award

By Barry Wilner
Associated Press

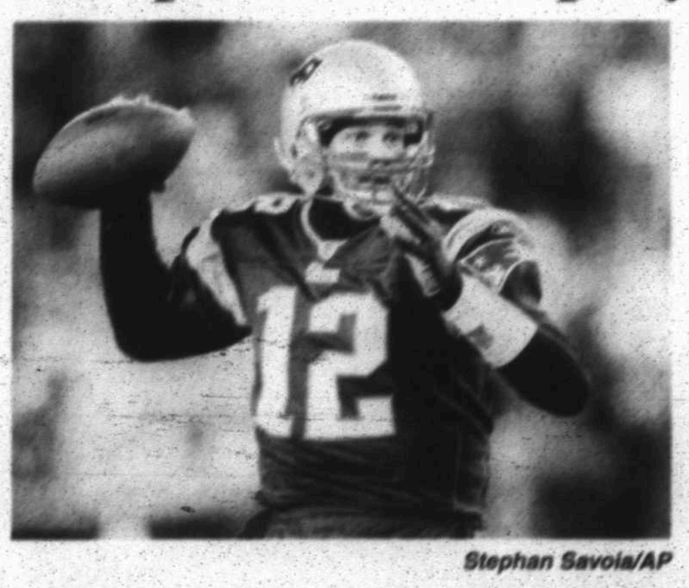
DALLAS — Tom Brady tore up the NFL with his precision passing and dynamic guidance of the New England Patriots' offense.

That was in 2007, when he ran away with The Associated Press NFL Offensive Player of the Year award.

Ditto for 2010.

Brady won the honor Tuesday for the second time in four seasons. The record-setting quarterback, who had a string of 355 passes without being intercepted, received 21 votes from a nationwide panel of 50 media members who regularly cover the league. He easily beat Philadelphia quarterback Michael Vick, who got 11 votes!

"To me it comes down to the mental toughness and determination of the players and coaches," Brady said.



Stephan Savoia/AP

WHAT HE DOES BEST New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady looks to pass against the New York Jets on Jan. 16 in Foxborough, Mass.

A unanimous choice for the All-Pro team, Brady threw for 36 touchdowns while being picked off just four times. When he won the award in 2007, Brady set an NFL mark with 50 touchdowns passes as New England went undefeated in the regular season.

Oddly, the Patriots did not win the championship in either of those seasons, but have won it three other times.

Brady doesn't sense much difference in the guy who took New England to a 16-0 mark back then and a league-best 14-2 this season.

"I feel our team really grew together over the course of the season. It was a privilege to be a part of this team," he said. "My only disappointment is that we couldn't take advantage of our opportunity in the playoffs, but hopefully we learn from that and use it as motivation toward accomplishing our goals for next season."

What Brady is doing isn't much different: He's winning, and he's piling up dominant stats.

Brady led the NFL with a 111 passer rating. His 65.9 completion percentage was second to Philip Rivers of San Diego — by .1. Nobody came close to his touchdown to interception differential: nearest was Matt Cassel at plus-20.

TOP 25 ROUNDUP

Men

MISSISSIPPI 71, NO. 10 KENTUCKY 69: At Oxford, Miss., Chris Warren rattled in a 25-footer over two defenders with 2.9 seconds remaining for Mississippi.

NO. 19 WISCONSIN 66, NO. 11 PURDUE 59: At Madison, Wis., Senior Jon Leuer scored 24 points and sophomore reserve Ryan Evans made two big plays in the final minute for Wisconsin.

NO. 23 NORTH CAROLINA 106, BOSTON COLLEGE 74: At Boston, freshman Harrison Barnes scored 26 points, including going 4 of 7 from 3-point range, to lead North Carolina.

FLORIDA 65, NO. 24 VANDERBILT 61, OT: At Gainesville, Fla., Kenny Boynton scored 15 points, the last of them coming on a huge 3-pointer in overtime, for Florida.

Women

NO. 7 XAVIER 102, LASALLE 51: At Cincinnati, Katie Rutan scored 15 points during Xavier's biggest opening half of the season, and the seventh-ranked Musketeers rolled to a 102-51 victory over La Salle on Tuesday night, equaling the best start in school history.

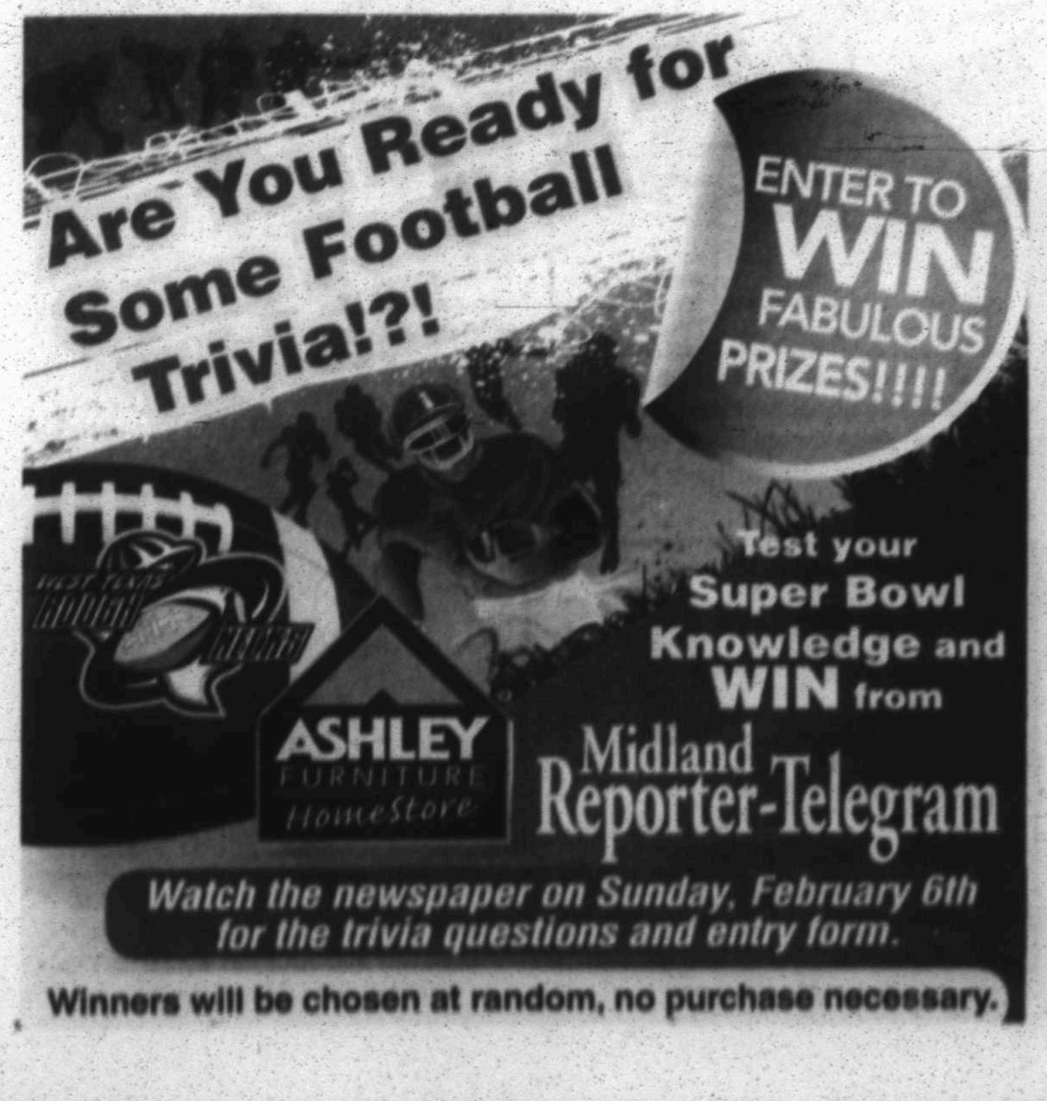
NO. 8 NOTRE DAME 71, SYRACUSE 48: At South Bend, Ind., Devereaux Peters had 15 points and 11 rebounds and Notre Dame dominated Syracuse.

NO. 14 WEST VIRGINIA 59, PROVIDENCE 45: At Morgantown, W. Va., Liz Repella scored 16 points and West Virginia bounced back from consecutive road losses.

NO. 17 GEORGETOWN 76, LOUISVILLE 52: At Louisville, Ky., Sugar Rodgers scored 26 points and Georgetown routed Louisville with a huge second half.

NO. 23 MARQUETTE 62, VILLANOVA 57: At Milwaukee, Katherine Plouffe scored 15 points and Marquette beat snowed-in Villanova in a game moved up two hours because of the weather.

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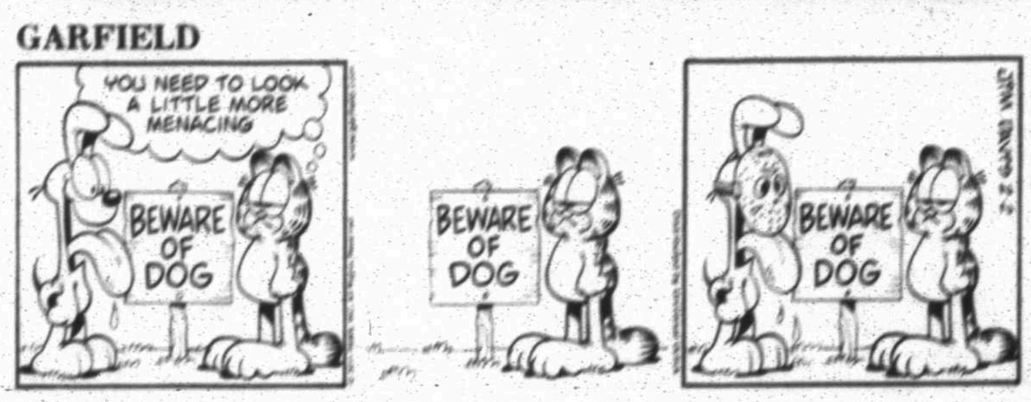
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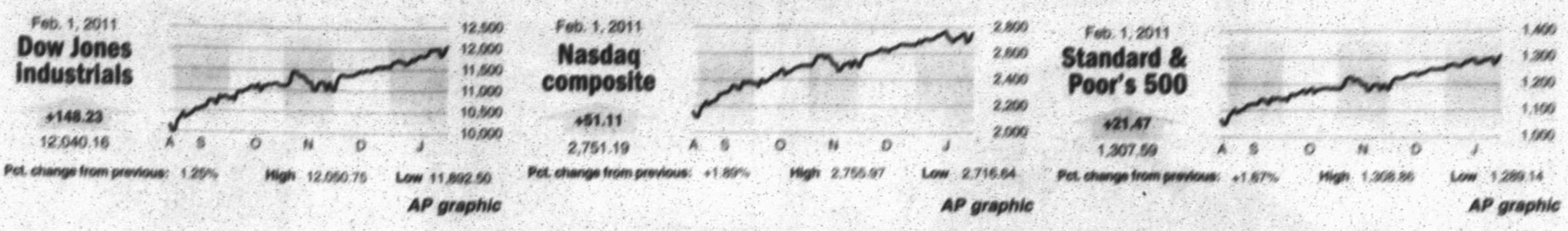
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A DAY ON WALL STREET







Richard Drew/AP

DOW TOPS 12,000 A television screen on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange Tuesday shows the closing number for the Dow Jones Industrial average as Hosni Mubarak's address is broadcast . The Dow closed above 12,000 for the first time in 2 1/2 years — yet another sign that the economy is extending its recovery from the recession.

Dow has first close above 12,000 in 2 1/2 years

By David K. Randall
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The Dow Jones industrial average has closed above 12,000 for the first time in 2 1/2 years — yet another sign that the economy is extending its recovery from the recession.

Another big stock market index, the Standard & Poor's 500, reached a milestone of its own Tuesday. It closed above 1,300.

Investors found plenty of reasons to send stocks sharply higher. Earnings reports from companies including Pfizer Inc., United Parcel Service Inc. and Archer Daniels Midland Co. were better than expected.

And manufacturing, which has led the economic recovery, had another good month in January. The Institute for Supply Management said manufacturing activity expanded last month at its fastest pace in nearly seven years. Increased spending by businesses and consumers helped push the index higher, ISM said. And employment improved at the nation's factories.

"This is a good indicator that businesses have come out of the gate strongly in 2011," said Burt White, chief investment officer for LPL Financial. "We are seeing businesses spend again and this is exactly what we needed to see for this economy to move forward."

The better economic data helped push stocks broadly higher. All 10 company groups that make up the S&P 500 rose.

The Dow rose 148.23, or 1.3 percent, to 12,040.16. It last closed above 12,000 in June 2008, although it traded above that level several times last week before settling lower.

The S&P 500 gained 21.47, or 1.7 percent, to close at 1,307.59. It last closed above 1,300 in August 2008.

The Nasdaq composite index rose 51.11, or 1.9 percent, to 2,751.19.

Five stocks rose for every one that fell on the New York Stock Exchange, where consolidated volume came to 4.89 billion, up from Monday's 4.38 billion.

Before the market opened, Archer Daniels Midland said that its profit jumped 29 percent last quarter because of growing demand for grains. The agriculture conglomerate easily beat analyst estimates. Its stock jumped 6 percent.

UPS said its 2011 earnings will likely top its pre-recession levels from 2007. UPS gained 4 percent.

Pfizer said its fourth-quarter profit nearly quadrupled. The company narrowly beat analyst estimates and gained 5.5 percent. That was the best performance among the 30 stocks that make up the Dow.

Bond prices fell, sending their yields higher. The yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury note rose to 3.43 from 3.38 percent late Monday.

The milestones for the Dow and S&P 500 are part of a remarkable run for stocks that began on March 9, 2009. The Dow stood at 6,547, its lowest point in 12 years. Since then, in the fastest climb since the Great Depression, it has risen 84 percent thanks to surging corporate profits, the unexpected resilience of personal spending and a bond-buying intervention by the Federal Reserve that made stocks more appealing. And some of the early gains came because investors realized that stocks had fallen too far during the financial crisis.

The Dow's total return, which assumes stock dividends were reinvested, is 92 percent. Anyone who bought an S&P 500 index fund that day in March 2009 has doubled his money, assuming dividends were reinvested.

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Citigrp	382925	4.90	+.06
BkofAm	2083763	14.31	+.58
FordM	1752179	15.89	-.06
Pfizer	1308053	19.22	+1.00
S&P500ETF	1176816	130.74	+2.06

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Manitowoc	17.11	+3.66	+27.4
GlobalCash	3.67	+.62	+20.3
Imation	11.62	+1.52	+15.0
Tuppwre	52.60	+6.85	+15.0
DicksHdg	14.98	+1.92	+14.7

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
BershHD	18.60	-2.95	-13.7
TrinRey	4.40	-.60	-12.0
CSVS2vVxS	41.45	-4.19	-9.2
BrPLSpxVM	16.75	-1.62	-8.8
IP SER2K	35.64	-3.39	-8.7

DIARY

Advanced	2,514
Declined	592
Unchanged	79
Total issues	3,145
New Highs	331
New Lows	8
Volume	4,887,650,076

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
DenisnM g	78691	3.98	+.23
TravelCtrs	70884	8.90	+4.65
SamsO&G	66496	2.60	-.12
NthgtM g	62555	2.61	+.03
NovaGld g	44053	13.71	+.42

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
TravelCtrs	8.90	+4.65	+109.4
iMergent	5.26	+.82	+18.5
ChiGengM	3.12	+.46	+17.3
Augusta g	4.51	+.48	+11.9
UraniumEn	5.73	+.50	+9.6

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
PermxTh	9.87	-1.12	-10.2
NewConcEn	3.64	-.36	-9.0
LGL Grp	20.17	-1.84	-8.4
AvalonHld	2.85	-.15	-5.0
GlbScape	2.07	-.11	-5.0

DIARY

Advanced	358
Declined	129
Unchanged	28
Total issues	515
New Highs	26
New Lows	3
Volume	175,156,956

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Orexigen	1715735	2.50	-6.59
PwShs QQQ	469525	57.05	+1.05
Microsoft	320259	27.99	+.27
Intel	600432	21.48	+.02
SiriusXM	471299	1.63	+.01

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SilicnMotn	7.50	+1.94	+34.9
SupondTch	2.02	+.49	+32.0
HovnEn pfA	8.04	+1.54	+23.7
CumMed	4.51	+.69	+18.1
ID Syst	5.08	+.75	+17.3

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Orexigen	2.50	-6.59	-72.5
Zoo Ent n	4.10	-1.36	-24.9
AutoChina	23.09	-4.68	-16.9
Vivus	7.57	-1.38	-15.4
Zion wt1-12	5.59	-1.01	-15.3

DIARY

Advanced	2,045
Declined	624
Unchanged	99
Total issues	2,768
New Highs	184
New Lows	24
Volume	2,228,114,460

Brent crude pushes higher

The price of a key oil contract traded at a two-year high above $102 a barrel Tuesday as antigovernment protest continued in Egypt.

Prices for oil in the Middle East are closely tied to Brent crude, which rose 73 cents to settle at $101.74 a barrel on the ICE Futures exchange in London. It's also used to price oil in Asia and Europe.

Many refineries, including those on the East Coast of the U.S., face higher costs because they use Brent to produce gasoline. Experts say, however, that drivers won't immediately face higher pump prices because harsh winter weather has hurt demand.

Benchmark West Texas Intermediate, or WTI, crude for March delivery fell $1.42 to settle at $90.77 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Brent, which analysts say better reflects global oil demand, traded as high as $102.08, a level not seen since October 2008.

Dollar slides

The dollar slid Tuesday after a strong U.S. manufacturing report drove investors to bet on stocks and currencies perceived as riskier than the safe-haven greenback.

The euro jumped to $1.3820 late Tuesday from $1.3689 Monday. It's the first time the euro has passed the $1.38 mark since November. The euro has recovered in 2011 from a monthslong slump as investors increasingly expect that European officials are preparing a more comprehensive solution for the region's debt problems.

The British pound rose to $1.6139 from $1.6019, while the dollar fell to 81.40 Japanese yen from 82.04 yen. The dollar dropped to 99.22 Canadian cents from 1.0014 Canadian dollars, and the Australian dollar rose to $1.0117 from 99.70 U.S. cents.

Gold for April delivery gained $5.80 to close at $1,340.30 an ounce.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Basic Energy Services (BAS)
Closing Price $18.91 Up 0.65

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $89.95 Up 1.30

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $96.00 Down 0.25

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $33.59 Down 0.22

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $29.22 Down 0.05

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $8.44 Up 0.02

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $18.08 Up 0.22

PERMIAN BASIN STOCKS

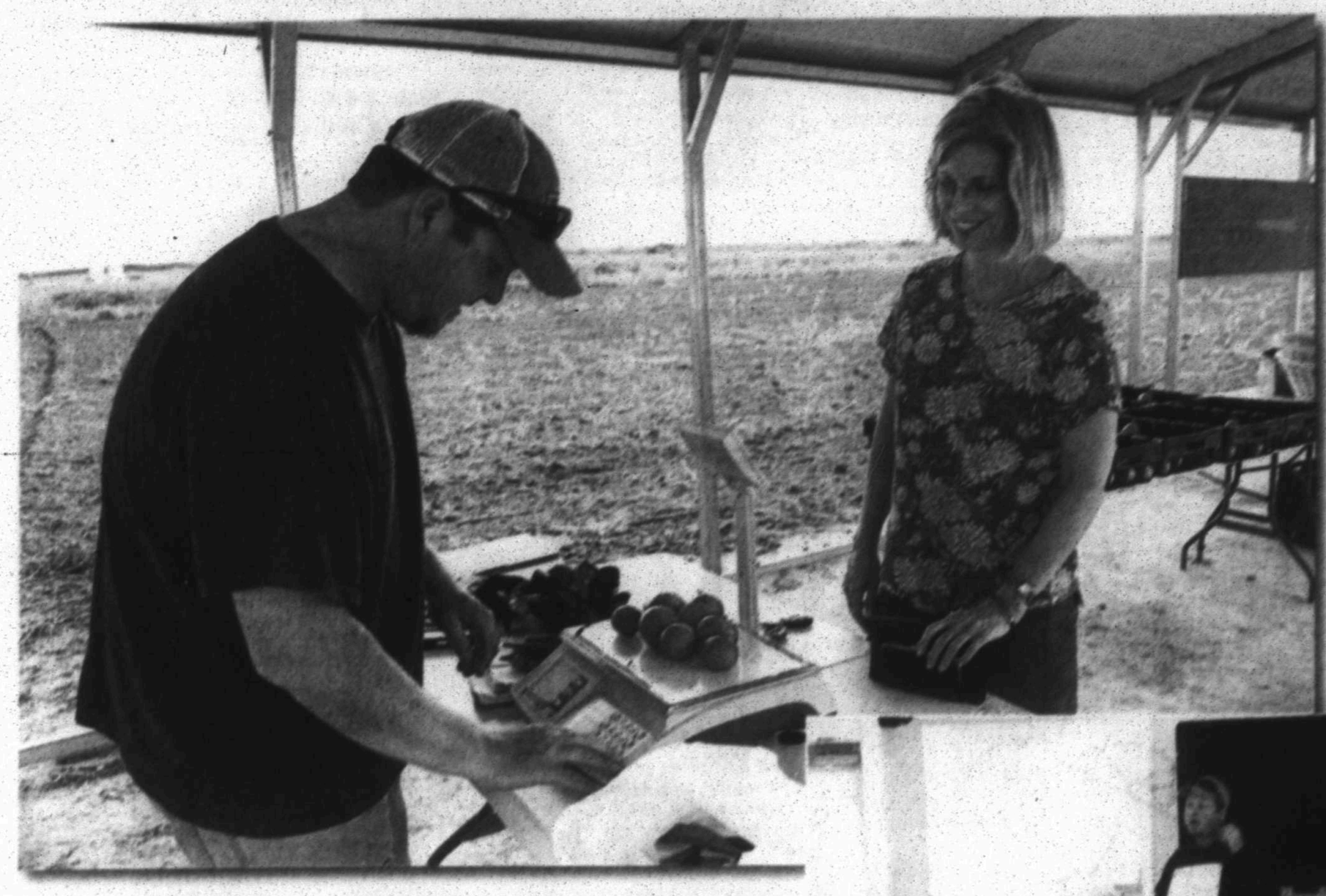
How stocks of local interest fared

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.72f	8	27.87	+.35	-5.1
Abraxas	...	...	4.88	+.09	+6.8
AdamsEx	.51e	...	11.28	+.20	+6.0
AMD	...	13	8.22	+.39	+.5
Alcoa	.12	75	17.32	+.75	+12.5
AlonUSA	.16	...	7.99	+.18	+33.6
AlphaNRs	...	65	55.70	+1.97	-7.2
Altria	1.52	12	23.56	+.07	-4.2
Amgen	...	11	55.71	+.53	+1.5
Anadarko	.36	52	78.54	+1.46	+3.1
Apache	.60	14	118.98	-.38	-.2
ApidMatl	.28	23	16.22	+.53	+15.4
ArchDan	.60	13	34.70	+2.03	+15.4
ATMOS	1.36f	15	33.18	+.58	+6.3
AutoData	1.44f	20	48.91	+1.01	+5.7
BP PLC	.07e	...	47.98	+.51	+8.6
Baidu s	...	79	118.73	+10.10	+23.0
BakrHu	.60	34	68.55	+.04	+19.9
BkofAm	.04	22	14.31	+.58	+7.3
BascEnSv	...	...	18.91	+.65	+14.7
BerkHa A	...	17	125200.00	+2775.00	+3.9
BerryPet	.30	21	47.02	+.35	+7.6
BkHillsCp	1.46f	18	31.78	+.77	+5.9
BostonSci	...	...	7.13	+.15	-5.8
BrMySq	1.32f	14	25.27	+.09	-4.6
BrownFA	1.28a	22	67.30	+.85	-3.1
BrownFB	1.28a	22	67.21	+.86	-3.5
CVS Care	.50f	14	34.95	+.75	+.5
Cameron	...	26	53.68	+.38	+5.8
Caterpillar	1.76	24	98.01	+1.00	+4.6
Celestic g	...	13	10.46	+.59	+7.8
CntryLink	2.90	12	43.44	+.20	-5.9
ChesEng	.30	20	30.23	+.70	+16.7
Chevron	2.88	10	96.22	+1.29	+5.4
Chicos	.16	18	11.22	+.30	-6.7
Chimera	.69e	7	4.26	+.06	+3.6
Cimarex	.32	16	104.93	+.80	+16.5
Cisco	...	16	21.47	+.32	+6.1
Citigrp	...	14	4.90	+.06	+3.6
ClayEng	...	...	89.95	+1.30	+7.1
CocaCl	1.76	19	63.05	+.20	-4.1
ColgPal	2.12	16	76.71	-.06	-4.6
CompPrdS	...	...	28.50	+.56	-3.6
ConAgra	.92	15	22.54	+.21	-.2
ConchoRes	...	...	96.00	+.25	+9.5
ConocoPhil	2.20	11	71.71	+.25	+5.3
Corning	.20	10	22.69	+.48	+17.4
CrackerB	.88	13	51.38	-.10	-6.2
CrosTim	2.62e	17	45.03	+.29	+12.9
DCP Mid	2.47f	58	40.10	+.64	+7.2
DTE	2.24	14	46.63	+.37	+2.9
Dataram h	...	...	2.19	-.06	+39.5
Dawson	...	...	33.59	-.22	+5.3
Dell Inc	...	12	13.45	+.29	-.7
DevonE	.64	8	89.45	+.76	+13.9
DrSCBear rs	...	...	14.45	-1.07	-7.4
DirFrBear	...	...	8.10	-.47	+14.3
DrxFBull s	...	...	31.60	+1.65	+13.5
Disney	.40f	20	39.88	+1.01	+6.3
DowChm	.60	24	36.36	+.88	+6.5
EMC Cp	...	29	25.24	+.35	+10.2
EOG Res	.62	54	107.38	+.99	+17.5
EmpDist	1.28	17	21.92	+.40	-1.3
Energen	.54f	14	56.82	+.92	+17.7
EngyTsfr	3.58	38	54.39	+.47	+5.0
EnPro	...	37	42.10	+.59	+1.3
EntPrPt	2.36f	21	43.60	+.04	+4.8
EnrcnTel	.28e	...	12.83	+.46	+11.3
ExternaH	...	5	24.90	+.09	+4.0
ExxonMbl	1.76	13	83.91	+3.23	+14.8
FifthThird	.04	25	15.52	+.65	+5.7
FordM	...	8	15.89	-.06	-5.4
ForestOil	...	25	39.55	+.75	+4.2
FrozenFd	...	...	4.01	-.02	-9.1
GATX	1.16f	20	34.33	+1.06	-2.7
GabGloM	.80	...	8.59	+.06	+4.6
GAInv	.43e	...	27.44	+.46	+2.3
GenElec	.56f	21	20.80	+.66	+13.7
GenGrPr n	...	...	14.93	+.12	-3.6
GenMot n	...	...	36.45	-.04	-1.1
Goldsmith	...	...	3.85	-.09	+59.1
Goodrich	1.16f	22	91.80	+1.18	+4.2
GtPlainEn	.83	12	19.96	+.28	+2.9
Halliburtn	.36	23	45.51	+.51	+11.5
Heinz	1.80	17	47.45	+.06	-4.1
Hitachi	...	...	57.58	+2.15	+7.9
HuntBnk	.04	38	7.22	-.02	+5.1
ISh HK	.45e	...	19.45	+.26	+2.8
iShJapn	.14e	...	11.15	+.22	+2.2
iShSilver	...	...	27.87	+.48	-7.7
iShChina25	.63e	...	42.84	+.29	-.6
iShEMkts	.64e	...	46.92	+1.11	-1.5
iS Eafe	1.42e	...	60.85	+1.41	+4.5
iShR2K	.89e	...	79.75	+1.80	+1.9
IntegrysE	2.72	29	48.15	+.56	-.7
Intel	.72f	11	21.48	+.02	+2.1
InterDig	.40	14	49.99	+1.84	+20.1
JPMorgCh	.20	12	45.93	+.99	+8.3
JohnJn	2.16	13	60.63	+.86	-2.0
KimbClk	2.80f	14	64.52	-.21	+2.3
KindME	4.52f	36	71.70	+.13	+2.0
KindMM	4.52f	83	64.72	+.64	-3.2
LVSands	...	...	49.09	+2.60	+6.8
LegacyRes	2.10f	...	29.22	-.05	+1.7
Level3	...	...	1.29	+.06	+31.6
Lubys	...	...	5.77	...	-8.0
MGM Rsts	...	...	15.09	+.26	+1.6
Manitowoc	.08	...	17.11	+3.68	+30.5
MassCp	2.16	...	30.81	+.85	+.8
MasseyEn	.24	...	64.75	+1.89	+20.7
McDnlds	2.44	16	73.47	-.20	-4.3
Merck	1.52	17	34.00	+.83	-5.7
MerltMed	...	32	14.95	+.18	-5.6
MexcoEn	...	40	8.44	+.02	+10.3
MicronT	...	6	10.81	+.27	+34.8
Microsoft	.64	7	27.99	+.27	+.3
Nabors	...	...	24.83	+.43	+5.8
NatGrid	7.04e	...	45.97	+.93	+3.6
NOilVarco	.44f	19	74.10	+.20	+10.2
NokiaCp	.56e	...	10.85	+.15	+5.1
NvMAd	.99	...	12.85	+.09	-1.9
NvPMI	.87	...	12.86	+.11	-1.5
NuvPI	.92	...	12.86	+.06	+.3
NSTFI3	.64	...	12.90	+.09	-.9
NTXQI	.86	...	15.38	+.09	+3.1
OcciPet	1.52	18	98.93	+2.25	+.8
Oracle	.20	25	33.24	+1.21	+6.2
Orexigen	...	...	2.50	-6.59	-69.1
ParTech	...	33	5.99	-.05	+4.9
ParkDrl	...	...	4.42	+.08	-3.3
PattUTI	.20	81	23.60	+.26	+9.5
PenRE	.60	...	13.72	+.06	-5.6
Primian	1.38e	16	21.41	-.31	-5.5
Petrobras	1.20e	...	37.73	+1.00	-.3
Pfizer	.80f	10	19.22	+1.00	+9.8
PioNtrl	.08	19	95.53	+.37	+10.0
PlainsAA	3.83f	29	65.31	-.13	+4.0
PwShs QQQ	.33e	...	57.05	+1.05	+4.8
Praxair	2.00f	24	95.28	+2.24	-.2
PrmBgy	...	...	21.44	-.02	+10.8
PrUShS&P	...	...	21.94	-.72	-7.7
ProUShL20	...	...	39.41	+.36	+6.4
ProctGam	1.93	17	62.92	-.21	-2.2
Qualcom	.76	25	55.08	+.95	+11.3
RAM Engy	...	60	1.80	+.11	-2.2
RangeRs	.16	...	49.18	-.69	+9.3
RegionsFn	.04	...	7.32	+.22	+4.6
Rowan	...	14	35.06	+.78	+.4
RoyDShlA	3.36e	29	73.35	+2.36	+9.8
SpdrDJIA	2.92e	...	120.09	+1.49	+3.9
S&P500ETF	2.37e	...	130.74	+2.06	+4.0
SabnR	3.80e	18	61.56	+.46	+3.4
SanderFm	.58f	7	40.89	-.22	+4.4
SandRdge	...	7	7.63	+.19	+4.2
Sapient	.35e	16	12.16	+.21	+.5
Schlmbrg	1.00f	26	89.64	+.65	+7.4
SigmaAld	.64	21	65.34	+1.69	-1.8
SiriusXM	...	82	1.63	+.01	...
Smucker	1.76f	14	61.71	-.45	-6.0
SprintNex	...	...	4.39	-.13	+3.8
SP Engy	.99e	...	74.34	+1.19	+8.9
SPDR Fncl	.16e	...	16.74	+.34	+5.0
SunocoLg	4.68f	9	85.55	-.24	+2.3
TelefEsp s	1.75e	...	25.58	+.45	+12.1
Tesoro	...	25	19.83	+.58	+7.0
3M Co	2.10	16	87.79	-.13	+1.7
Trchmrk	.64	11	63.42	+1.12	+6.2
TriContl	.25e	...	14.14	+.10	+2.8
TylerTech	...	31	21.23	+.48	+2.3
UBWV	1.20	17	28.74	+.54	-1.6
US NGasFd	...	...	5.90	-.09	-1.5
Vale SA	.75e	...	35.62	+.79	+3.0
ValeroE	.20	55	26.06	+.70	+12.7
VangEmg	.82e	...	47.49	+1.00	-1.4
VulcanM	1.00	...	43.12	+.56	-2.8
Walgrn	.70	19	42.23	+1.79	+6.4
WellsFargo	.20	15	33.44	+1.02	+7.9
WendyArby	.08	45	4.99	+.16	+8.0
WstnRefin	...	...	13.24	+1.06	+25.1
WhitingPet	...	36	127.21	+.93	+8.6
WmsCos	.50	38	27.37	+.38	+10.7
XcelEngy	1.01	15	23.86	+.31	+1.4
Xerox	.17	15	10.88	+.26	-5.6
Yahoo	...	18	16.38	+.26	-1.5

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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD %Chg	52-wk % Chg
12,020.52	9,614.32	Dow Jones Industrials	12,040.16	+148.23	+1.25	+4.00	+16.93
5,256.80	3,742.01	Dow Jones Transportation	5,126.09	+100.98	+2.01	+.39	+28.37
416.47	346.95	Dow Jones Utilities	413.57	+4.20	+1.03	+2.12	+7.62
8,222.51	6,355.83	NYSE Composite	8,290.09	+150.93	+1.85	+4.09	+16.74
2,225.48	1,689.19	Amex Index	2,201.28	+29.24	+1.35	-.32	+19.84
2,766.17	2,061.14	Nasdaq Composite	2,751.19	+51.11	+1.89	+3.71	+25.62
1,302.67	1,010.91	S&P 500	1,307.59	+21.47	+1.67	+3.97	+18.51
13,799.80	10,596.20	Wilshire 5000	13,848.16	+230.63	+1.69	+3.65	+20.96
907.89	580.49	Russell 2000	798.89	+17.64	+2.26	+1.94	+30.10



LOCAL FOOD Local farmer Stephen Porter, left, weighs home-grown and freshly-picked vegetables for Karen Alexander last September at Porter's Farm Market, 5401 South County Road 1140. BELOW: Porter talks with local residents Saturday at the Unitarian Universalist Church after screening a documentary film, "Fresh," on sustainable agriculture.

Photo at left by Cindeka Healy Reporter-Telegram Photo below by Tim Fischer Reporter-Telegram



FRESH

Documentary showcases agriculture in America; area farmers promote local food movement

By Sara Higgins
Staff Writer

In the opening scene of Ana Sofia Joanes's 2009 documentary "Fresh," Iowa farmer George Naylor recalls his Pakistani roommate in college saying "Americans fear only one thing: inconvenience."

The documentary, which was screened Saturday at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Midland, examines the way Americans eat and what farmers around the country are doing to battle industrialization of agriculture in the United States.

Though some scenes show trays of baby chicks being thrown on the ground with a loud thump and animals in confinement, including chickens without beaks, Midland farmer Stephen Porter said the documentary is much more hopeful than other documentaries on the same subject, such as "Food, Inc."

Viewers of the movie were treated to scenes with luscious, green landscapes and cattle happily mooing while bathing in a river — not exactly what farmers experience in the harsh growing conditions of West Texas.

"We're not in the rolling hills of Virginia," Porter said, referring to images in the film from Virginia farmer Joel Salatin's healthy, dewy farmland. "He does a lot of programs that are a stretch for us."

Porter, who introduced the movie and led a discussion afterward, is the owner of Porter Community Farm, which has been in his family for three generations. Porter operates a twice-a-week market that usually begins in mid-May, and he is beginning his second year of community support agriculture, through which locals who pay an upfront fee become shareholders and receive weekly helpings of fresh, farm-raised food. The CSA has grown from 10 members last year to up to 50 for this year.

"With having the money upfront, it just helps me to get those projects going," Porter said. This year's selection will include first dibs on regularly harvested items such as melons, tomatoes and peppers; eggs; and pick-your-own items such as blackberries, black-eyed peas and spring and fall greens.

Matt Hanson, founder of the Downtown Midland Farmers' Market, said there are a handful of farmers in the area growing produce, but the future of Midland-grown food lies in educating more people so they can contribute to what's already happening in the community.

"A lot of people are unaware of the little that does happen here," Hanson said.

The first step in making a difference, according to Hanson, is education. He said he hopes more Midlanders choose to participate in urban farming, either by growing plants at their own homes or beginning community gardens.

"If people knew what they could do on a limited space, people might be more apt to grow for themselves first of all," Hanson said. "But they also can share that wealth to give away to communities or food agencies that need fresh food, like food pantries, that tend to only have canned and boxed goods."

"Fresh" also features Will Allen, an urban farmer from Milwaukee, Wisc., who grows more than 20,000 plants and vegetables in a 2.5-acre community food center. Allen, whose business is called Growing Power, uses composting to make fertile soil to grow his crops, which he does using farm waste from his own farm and food waste from local businesses. According to Growing Power's website, the farm composts more than 100,000 pounds of waste per week.

Hanson said making a difference can be as easy as having two or three plants grown on a lawn. He cited rising water costs as a reason to finally ditch perennial bushes or a patch of grass and instead grow some veggies.

"If you're going to water an area, you might as well get something back from it," he said.

The Downtown Farmers' Market currently is open only once a month, with the next market planned for 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Feb. 12. There will be two dates in March, and then its regular schedule on Tuesdays and Saturdays will resume in April.

"We need to get past this idea of being inconvenienced," Hanson said. "Each person has their own role in this, but we all have to take part or make our own effort in this or we're not going to have options anymore."

The creators of "Fresh" do not sell individual copies of the documentary but rather a DVD with licenses to screen the movie at home or in public places. These can be found online at www.freshthemovie.com.

Find out more ways to help locally by visiting www.portersfarmmarketmidland.com and www.midlanddowntownfarmersmarket.com, or by finding the "Porter's Farm Market" and "Midland Downtown Farmers' Market" pages on Facebook.

Sara Higgins can be reached at sjhiggins@hearstnp.com.

To mark National Cherry Month, use fruit in sweet and savory recipes

Food Etc.



Freelance writer Joan Huff may be reached at foodetcmrt@aol.com. For more cherry recipes, visit www.mywesttexas.com and click on "Entertainment · food."

It's only fitting that February is National Cherry Month. Vibrant red cherries are the perfect fruit for Valentine's Day. The fruit also is an appropriate choice for President's Day as it recalls the story of George Washington chopping down the cherry tree.

Whether fresh, frozen or dried, this little red fruit is a great source of vitamins and minerals and contains high levels of antioxidants that can reduce the risk of heart attacks and help fight cancer. Cherries also contain anti-inflammatory compounds to help relieve arthritis pain and headaches.

This month, readers of Food Etc. were asked to share their favorite cherry recipes.

A variety of recipes were received, including those for pies, cakes, cookies and even ham. Betty Strawn sent in one for the Reddy cookie. More than 50 years old, the recipe came from Southwestern Public Service in Lubbock and was named for the mascot, Reddy Kilowatt. Serena Cummins submitted a recipe that can be used for pie filling or as a salad. Beverly McClatchy sent recipes for ham and a cake and Frances Buzard shared her husband's favorite cherry crunch recipe as well as biscotti.

Almond Crust Cherry Cream Pie
Submitted by Betty Strawn

1 Pillsbury piecrust
1/2 cup slivered almonds (finely chopped)
1 1/3 cups sweetened condensed milk
1/3 cup lemon juice
1 teaspoon vanilla
1/2 teaspoon almond extract
1/2 cup whipping cream (whipped)

Put piecrust in pie pan. Press the almonds into the crust. Prick sides of piecrust only. Bake and cool according to directions on package. Combine milk, lemon juice, vanilla and almond extract. Stir until mixture thickens. Fold in whipped cream. Spoon into cooled shell. Top with cooled cherry glaze. Chill 2 to 3 hours.

Cherry Glaze:

2 cups pitted sour cherries (drained)
2/3 cup cherry juice
1/2 cup sugar
1 Tablespoon cornstarch
2-3 drops red food coloring

Blend cherry juice with sugar and cornstarch. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly until mixture is thickened and clear. Add cherries and coloring; cool. Spread over cream filling.

Reddy Cookie
Submitted by Betty Strawn

1/2 cup shortening
1 teaspoon vanilla
1/2 cup sugar
1/2 cup brown sugar (packed)
1 egg
1/2 cup maraschino cherries (finely chopped)
1/2 cup nuts (very finely chopped)
2 cups sifted flour
1/2 teaspoon soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon cream of tartar

Cream shortening, vanilla, sugars and egg; beat thoroughly. Add nuts and cherries and mix. Sift together flour, soda, cream of tartar and salt. Pour half of the flour mixture into the shortening mixture and mix well. Add remaining flour and beat thoroughly. Knead dough with hands until smooth. Pack very firmly and shape in 2 bars; wrap in waxed paper. Chill until firm. Cut in 1/8-inch slices; place on ungreased baking sheet. Bake at 400 for 6-8 minutes. Makes 60 cookies.

Millionaire Salad or Pie
Submitted by Serena Cummins

1 can cherry pie filling
1 can crushed pineapple in heavy syrup (do not drain)
1 can Eagle Brand Milk (I use low fat)
1 (12-ounce) carton Cool Whip

Combine ingredients in a large bowl and chill. You also can make two pies in graham cracker crusts or use just as a salad. Add miniature marshmallows to the salad if desired. It is better made the night before so it can chill.

Cherry Crunch
Submitted by Frances Buzard

1 white cake mix
1 (1 pound 5-ounce) can cherry pie filling
1 teaspoon lemon juice
1/2 cup (one stick) melted butter
1/2 cup chopped pecans
Whipping cream or ice cream, optional

Spray a 9-inch square baking pan with Pam. Spread pie filling in bottom of pan. Sprinkle with lemon juice. Combine cake mix, butter and pecans. Sprinkle over pie filling. Bake at 350 for 40-50 minutes or until golden brown. Serve with whipping cream or ice cream. Serves 8-10.

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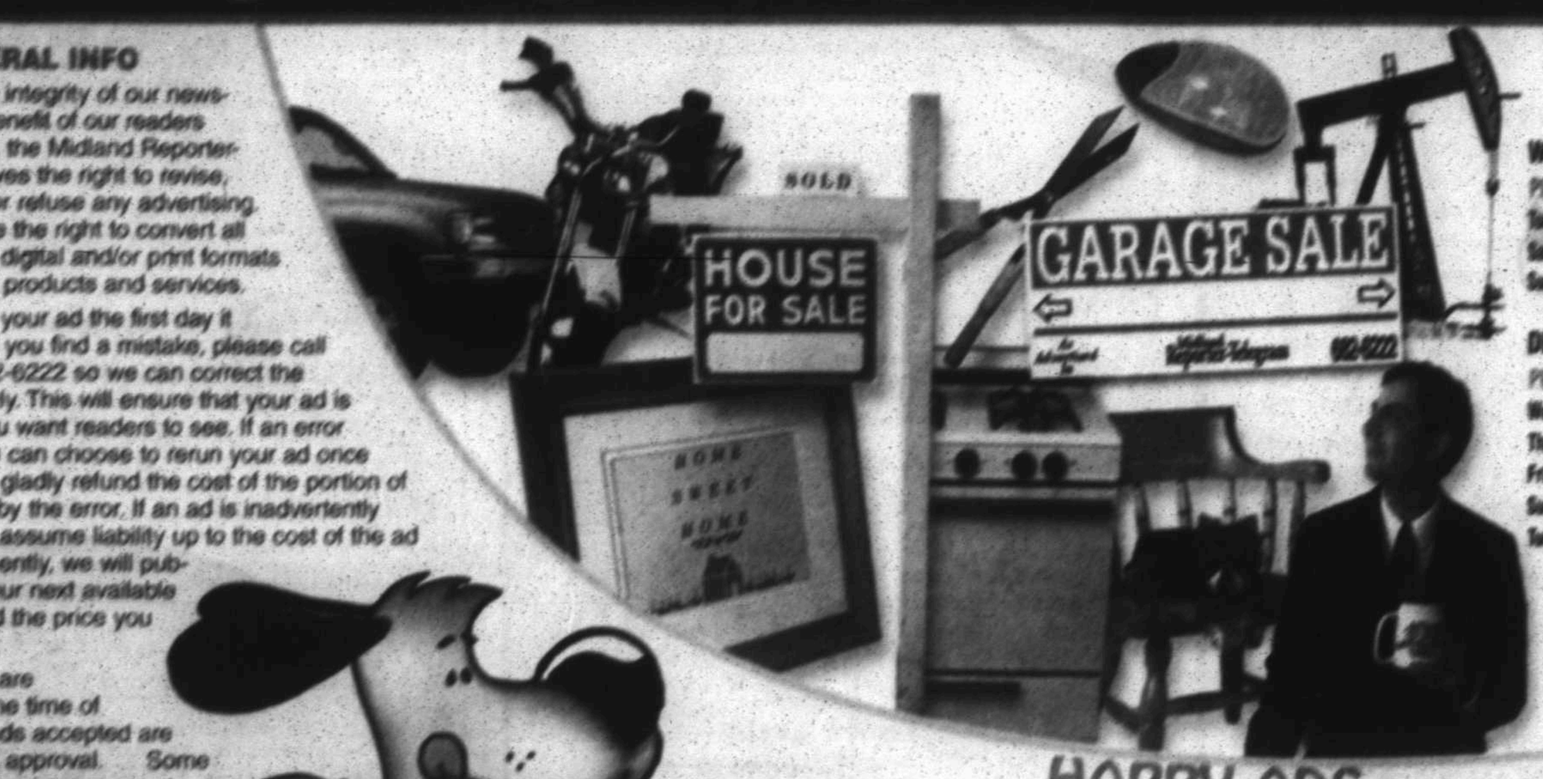
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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Anne Walker Bachman, Deceased, were issued on January 7, 2011, in Cause No. P-16,480, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to Larry Edgerton, Independent Executor, whose address is 400 W. Illinois, Suite 1550, Midland, Texas 79701.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the DISTANCE BETWEEN WELLS requirement for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 1, Blk. WRIGHT, S Survey, A-1009, AZALEA (STRAWN) Field, MIDLAND County, being 15.07 miles SE 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**.

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FIELD: AZALEA (STRAWN)

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Lease/Unit Well No. :	58
Lease/Unit Acres :	2110.0
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	1359.0
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As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 1 additional field: (1) SPRABERRY (TREND AREA). No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for this field.

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Midland Surgical Associates, P.A. is seeking an experienced **LVN /OFFICE NURSE/SCRUB TECH** to join our team. Candidate must be able to work independently and possess both communication and patient skills. Sterile technique, surgical assistant skills, colonoscopy experience and computer knowledge desired. Full Time - M-F 8:30-5:30 Benefit package includes Medical, Life & AFLAC Insurance Coverages, PTO and 401-K Retirement Plan. Send resume to: P- 128 c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois Midland, TX 79701

MEDICAL ASSISTANT
Needing an experienced Medical Assistant for busy physician's office. 6 months medical experience will be required for this position (ORTH-5001). Please mail or fax your resume to: PO Box 5293 Midland, TX 79704 or fax to 432-682-2284 Attn Keisha McCoy.

Medical Office Assistant/Manager/Receptionist
Confidential — FT
MEDICAL OFFICE ASSISTANT/MANAGER/RECEPTIONIST - 25-30 hours a week, must be a detail oriented professional, have excellent public relation skills, be proficient in computer skills and able to learn new programs easily, with good typing skills. Must be able to lift 40 lbs and assist with patients on occasion. Knowledge of medical coding and insurance billing helpful, but will train, the right person. Must be responsible and punctual non-smoker. Bring resume in person to 1304 W. Texas Ave. between the hours of 9 am. and Noon Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Medical Receptionist
Medical Receptionist and Collections/Insurance Verification needed for a busy Dr.'s office. Experience required. Fax resume to: 432-520-0033.

Sitters/CNA's
Nurses Unlimited, Inc. — FT
Seeking Sitters/CNA's to work for private duty clients. Hourly rate. Call 522-5060. All shifts available. Office hours: M-Th 8-5 I Fri 8-12. E.O.E.

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Midland, TX 79705
Help Wanted immediately seeking providers/ sitters in Midland/ Odessa. Please call 432-685-4663.

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BIG SPRING HOSPITAL, a Critical Access Hospital, with a growing Physical Therapy Dept. is seeking a part/full time PT or PTA Monday-Friday with flexible hrs. Competitive salary, excellent benefit pkg. to include employee health, dental, vision and life insurance with optional dependent cvg. TCDRS retirement plan, paid personal and sick time. For more information, contact Jason Rigsby PT or Cathy Tuckerman @ 432-264-2871. (bghospital.com)

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Advanced Home Health is seeking PT RN's & Data Clerk. Monday - Friday. Excellent benefits, competitive wages and positive environment. Call (432) 525-1600 or fax resumé to: (432) 525-1664.

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Confidential
Clinical coordinator for expanding local multi-specialty orthopedic surgery practice. Duties to include clinical and administrative oversight. Full-time salary and benefits including health insurance and retirement plan. Excellent communication and interpersonal skills required. Experience preferred. Send CV to PO Box 9996, Midland, TX 79708.

Multiple Healthcare Positions
Confidential
Medical practice hiring multiple full time positions in dyslexia office and clinic. Excellent benefits package. No weekends. Send resume to: P- 129, c/o Mid land Reporter-Telegram 201 E. Illinois, Midland, TX 79701

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HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

Night Auditor
Travel Lodge — PT
Immediate openings for Night Auditor, Front Desk Clerks & Maintenance (all shifts available) with at least 1 year experience. Apply in person at: 2500 Commerce Dr. Midland, TX 79703.

MANAGEMENT & EXECUTIVE

Manager
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Looking for up-beat, energetic self-motivated individual to manage and operate successful retail operation in Midland, TX. Will train. Excellent pay + bonuses + paid vacation. Sales, Quickbooks, Excel, Mechanical, experience helpful. Apply in person or send resume to address above.

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MARKET MANAGER

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Personnel, Sales

Average Income 60k

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MARKETING

Marketing Person Wanted
National Franchising Co. has openings for 2 National Marketing people. Lots of airline travel throughout U.S. Finance or sales background helpful. Salary plus benefits. Send resume to Jim Golden or apply in person at BIDCO Corp, 312 E. 2nd, Odessa, TX. 79761

Marketing Representative
Confidential — FT
In-store marketing. 1st career. $400-$600 per week. Paid training, must pass background check. Call Ashley 832-251-2100.

Marketing Representative
Confidential — FT
Marketing Representative for a Home Health Agency. Previous Marketing and Home Health experience helpful. Salary DOE. Please send resume to M- 26 c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois Midland, TX 79701.

Marketing Representative
Immediate opening for sales representative to call on West Texas clients for their Radio, Magazine advertising & Commercial Printing needs. Salary plus commission, plus benefits. Apply in person at BIDCO Corp, 312 E. 2nd St., Odessa, TX. or email resume to Clint Golden. (clintgolden@yahoo.com) dba Golden Advertising consultants/Arrow printing, Inc.

OTHER JOBS

Midland Reporter-Telegram

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(Mailroom)

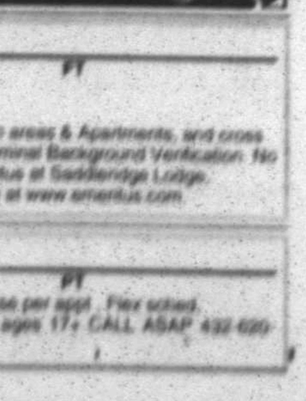
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These positions require the physical ability to continuously lift, bend and stand through an entire shift. Work performed in this department includes but is not limited to mechanically inserting newspaper products and handling newspaper bundles.

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Midland, TX 79701
Housekeeper will clean & maintain Common areas & Apartments, and cross train in Laundry. Applicants must pass a Criminal Background Verification. No phone calls please. Please apply at: Emeritus at Saddleridge Lodge, 1908 W. Loop 250 N., Midland, TX or online at www.emeritus.com.

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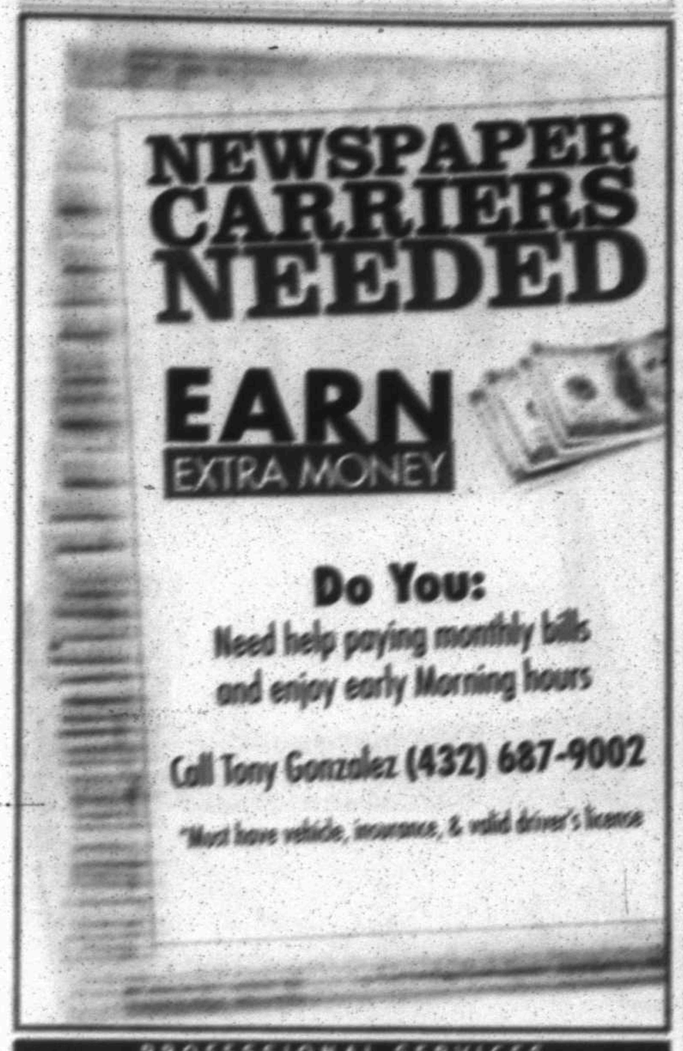
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OTHER JOBS

Service Technician
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Service Tech for local window and door company. Some experience needed. Please call 432-689-5930.



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Immediate opening for a highly motivated individual with 2 years experience with CBA Primary Home Care/Family Care Services or 60 college hours to become a team player in a fast-growing organization.

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Licensed Counselor
West Texas Counseling — PT
Licensed Counselor (LCDC/LPC) needed for addiction treatment center. Part-time; 20 hours a week. M-F 7:15am-11:15am. Case management/treatment planning CEU days/personal days/sick days. Fax resume : 800-671-6964

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

Cooks
Lori's Cafe — FT
Experience preferred. No phone calls. Apply in person at: 2201 W. Wall St. Midland, Tx 79701

Experienced Cook Needed
Emeritus at Saddleridge Lodge — FT
Applicants applying for the Cook position must be able to cook for 80+ people. Applicants must pass a Criminal Background Verification. No phone calls please. Please apply at: Emeritus at Saddleridge Lodge, 1808 W. Loop 250 N., Midland, TX or online at www.emeritus.com

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La Bodega Mexican Restaurant — FT
La Bodega is now hiring an experienced Manager. Fax resumes to main office: 432-561-5349, Attn: Christine or Brian.

RETAIL JOBS

Cashiers
PWI/Summart Inc. — PT
Cashiers Needed! Full/Part-time, all shifts available at 24 hr Truck Stop. Apply at Warfield Travel Plaza, 10400 I-20 @ FM 1788. Pre-employ drug screen & background required.

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Wood's Boots — FT/PT
FIND A JOB YOU'LL LOVE just in time for Valentine's. Wood's Boots has Full & Part-time positions available. 812 West I-20, Midland. Western wear required. Must be outgoing and hardworking. No phone calls please.

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Outgoing? Highly Motivated? Energetic?

Then YOU could be on our TEAM!

Our Customer Service Representative is responsible for:
Answering many different types of customer service phone calls
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Plus many other fun and interesting duties

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Strong interpersonal skills, friendly & outgoing
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High school diploma or equivalent
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Background in retail sales or marketing a plus but not required

WE OFFER:
An interesting and diversified workplace
*FIVE day work week, 40 hours
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Tami Gillean, Director of Circulation
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Hot fun, Cool Job! Looking for 10 sharp people to work/travel with unique business group. See the entire US including New York, Florida & California. 2 Weeks paid training, return trip guaranteed. If you are 18+, have a great attitude and free to start today call Tisha at 1-800-377-1977.

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Work Part-Time and Make Great Money! Looking for 6 consultants for a direct sales company to sell high quality candles and accessories! Average pay is $25/hour. Work as little or as much as you want per month and get paid weekly. No experience necessary, must have an outgoing personality and an interest in candles, home décor, spa products, and gourmet food. ZERO start up cost! For more info, contact: Stephanie @ 715-923-2235 or visit www.partylite.biz/stephanie/hire.

SALES REPRESENTATIVE



The Midland Reporter-Telegram Advertising Department is looking for an Outside Sales Representative.
The ideal candidate will have 1-2 years' proven record of personal sales successes, preferably in a newspaper media environment. Some knowledge of print advertising and local industry would be helpful, but not required.

Duties for this position will include but are not limited to selling advertising in all print productions of the Midland Reporter-Telegram and all online products, including any combinations.

The right individual will enjoy an excellent compensation and full benefits package. If you are that and are looking for a place that's current, send resume to:

Brandi Price, Advertising Director
Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois Avenue, Midland, TX 79701
or email to bprice@mrt.com

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Sales Consultant
The Car Store — PT
The Car Store is seeking highly motivated individuals - opportunity for high income earning potential, great benefits, good work environment. Apply at: 4030 West Wall or call Danny at: 432-694-1556.

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Confidential — PT
Home improvement company in need of a Sales Professional. We are looking for an outgoing, self-motivated & energetic sales representative. Candidates should have at least 3 years experience. Must provide own transportation. Salary is based on commission. Send resume to: M-59, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois, Midland, TX 79701.

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1925 North Loop 250 W.
Midland, TX 79707
Boat sales position available. No experience necessary. Apply in person to Jackie or Bob. Call 432-697-3261.

SKILLED LABOR

Experience Truck Accessory Installer
Fender Truck Accessories — FT
Experienced truck accessory installer, must have own tools. Experienced in gooseneck, grill guards, headache racks, 40-45 hrs per week, Monday -Friday 7:30-5:30, benefits, uniforms, good pay Send resume to kerry@fendergroup.com

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- **Wireline Unit Operator**

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Night shift Lube Tech needed. Experienced. Apply in person. 12100 West Interstate 20, East Service Rd. Between Midland Intern'l Airport and Big Tex Trailers; from 8-5. No phone calls.

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Machinist

Basic Energy Services is hiring Machinists in our new Midland, Texas machine shop. Ideal candidate will have experience in threading drill collars and wash pipe. Good communication skills required. Salary depends on experience. Excellent benefits.

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or fax resume to: 432-699-1009.

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Plumber Helper
Apply in Person — FT
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Midland, TX
Experience not required but considered a plus. Must have high school diploma or GED. 401k, paid holidays & health insurance.

Tradesman or Journeyman Plumber — @!
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309 W Washington — Experienced
Midland, TX
Must have good driving record.
Above average pay for qualified person. Apply between 8:00am-4:30pm. Monday-Friday

Rapid Response

SKILLED LABOR

Truck Driver / Warehouse Helper
Confidential — PT
Position for Truck Driver / Warehouse Helper. CDL required. Apply at: 11524 County Road 128 West, Midland, TX 79711.

Truck Mechanic
Truck Mechanic — PT
Truck mechanic needed. 3 years experience required. (Technical training may be substituted.) Must have own tools. Knowledge in rental business a plus. Benefits include 401K, Insurance, Vacation and Personal Time. Rate of pay D.O.E. EOE/AA/M/F/D/V and Drug Free Workplace. Please apply at Duncan Disposal located at 8220 W. Hwy 80. NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE.

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2 openings, weekly pay with benefits Experienced individuals only Please call 432-580-822.

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Wood Group Pressure Control is the Wellhead Industry's Preferred Supplier and Employer.

Safety, structured career development, and professional on-the-job training are characteristics that set WGPC above the rest.

We are looking for dynamic team members in Odessa, TX for:

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- **Inside Sales Representative**
- **Field Service Technicians**
- **Valve and Assembly Technicians**
- **Wellhead Experience Preferred**

Wood Group Pressure Control offers a competitive compensation and benefits package which includes medical, dental, vision, matching 401K, life ins., Company-paid disability, and paid vacation.

To apply submit your resume to: WGPCrecruiting@woodgroup.com, mail or apply in person at 9001 North County Road West, Odessa, TX 79764
Visit our Website: www.woodgroup.com

Equal Opportunity Employer

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Copier Technician
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Midland, TX 79701 — 5+ Years Exp.
Opening for experience copier technician. Must have experience with onsite repairs and maintenance of copier's, fax's, multi-functional and connected digital products. Contact Human Resource at 432-683-9100 or email your resume to: lamador@hmtso.com

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WTNB is seeking an IT Helpdesk/Network Technician. The ideal candidate will have a knowledge of Windows XP-7, Exchange 2003, Active Directory, a working knowledge of network topology. Good communication skills, a desire to solve problems and work in a collaborative environment are critical. Send resumes to cparsley@wtnb.com

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

*****Attention Drivers*****
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Now hiring a driver a Industrial Driver, need at least a Class B CDL. Experience Preferred for a driver's position. Drivers must be able to pass a mandatory DOT and a corporate drug testing requirements. The job includes 40+ hours weekly Mon-Fri, with some Sat mornings. Please send resume to Luca.sifri@rsgcorp.com or apply at 8220 W. Hwy 80, Midland, TX 79706 - no phone calls please! – Equal Opportunity Employer.

*****Attention Drivers*****
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Would you like the opportunity to join a great company? Duncan Disposal offers good pay and a convenient work schedule. We provide vacation pay, holiday pay, and sick pay. We also have a very attractive benefits program that includes Health Insurance, Dental, Vision, Life Insurance, Short Term and Long Term Disability, with a 401K plan. Need at least a Class B CDL. Experience preferred for a driver position. Please apply in person at the Duncan Disposal office located at: 8220 W. Hwy 80 Midland, TX, just east of the airport. Must be able to pass a DOT and corporate drug testing requirements. No phone calls please. EOE/AA/M/F/D/V and drug free workplace. Duncan Disposal, 8220 W. Hwy 80, Midland, Texas

CDL Drivers — @!
Apply at 3524 E. Hwy 158 — PT
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Regional oil field transportation company seeks Class A CDL Drivers with at least 2 years experience, air brake & HazMat endorsement preferred. Must be drug free with a current MVR (traffic record), 3 years verifiable work history, current DOT physical card with long form & Social Security card. Oilfield experience preferred.
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Treating Truck Drivers

Requirements vary by position. All applicants must possess a current CDL license with hazard endorsement.

Our highly competitive compensation package features:

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- Most weekends off
- Uniforms provided
- Employee Medical, Dental, and Life insurance
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- Annual Bonuses
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Endura Products Corp.
P.O. Box 3394, Midland, TX 79702

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Passenger Cars

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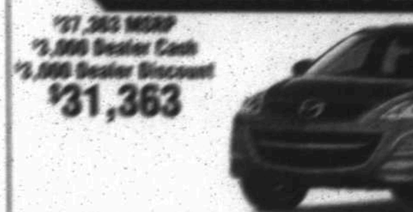
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Passenger Cars

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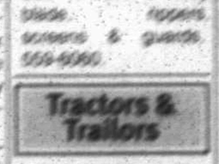
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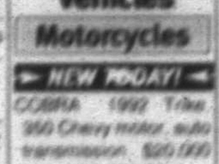
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