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Supporters of Basin PBS came out for a fundraiser based on the popular "Downton Abbey" series. To see more photos of the event, check out today's section.

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MMH breaks ground for new parking lot

Hospital to close south side entrance for 4 months

By Rachael Gleason
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Midland Memorial Hospital will close its Illinois Avenue entrance for four months starting today for construction on a new 24-space parking lot along the facility's south side.

The hospital moved many of its services near the north side main entrance after opening the Scharbauer Patient Tower in December 2012.

But patients still access the south side entrance along Illinois Avenue for outpatient services and wound management, and they have to park across the street and walk, said hospital spokeswoman Marcy Madrid.

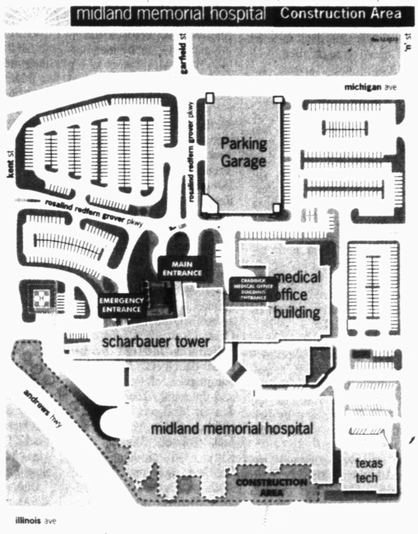
"It's never been an ideal situation," Madrid said. "We always try to redirect traffic to the north entrance. But people are still using services on that side of the building. That's why we're creating parking spots closer so it will be more convenient and safe."

Most of the construction will take place near Illinois Avenue and Andrews Highway, but the roads will remain open, Madrid said.

The project will yield 24 parking spots with additional handicapped spaces and includes desert-style landscaping improvements such as low-flow irrigation and drought-tolerant plants.

"We have a lot of dead and diseased trees on that side of the building," she said, noting their removal will save water and take care of evasive root structures. "And we will do more xeriscaping to match the north side."

Hospital officials ask all patients to use the north side entrance and park in the garage or nearby spaces during construction.



HITTING IT BIG TIME

Jerry Lara/San Antonio Express-News

George Kowalik, 68, checks out his great-great-grandfather's 1860s house in Panna Maria on Dec. 17. Kowalik retired three years ago from a career with the Farm Bureau and until recently, scraped by with the ranching business. That changed with the oil boom. There had never been any kind of oil income or any other kind of income other than farming and ranching here before.

Oil boom means big money in South Texas

By John MacCormack
San Antonio Express-News

KENEDY — With crumbling walls and a leaky roof, the old cottonseed oil mill south of town has been adrift in decay since the industry faded here more than 50 years ago, becoming a public eyesore and a financial drag for its owner.

"I tried to give it away many times. I tried to talk the Foster boys into tearing it down and selling the old bricks, but no one would ever do it," recalled C.L. Freeny, 94, who bought the building in 1970 when it was used to store grain. "I was tired of paying taxes and not getting any income."

Finally, about a dozen years ago, Freeny managed to give the massive structure and 15 acres to friends. He thus was astonished to learn it is being reclaimed from the brush and rot to become a restaurant for oil field workers.

If all goes well, "Drillers," with table space for 300 diners, a large bar, an outside patio and a spacious dance hall, will open this spring, after an outlay of several million dollars by a Florida investor.

"I was surprised. Amazed would be a better word," said Freeny, who finds the madcap growth that the Eagle Ford Shale boom is bringing to Karnes County equally incredible. "I couldn't imagine this area ever amounting to a hill of beans. It was at the bottom of the barrel economically."

The improbable and expensive plan to convert a derelict mill into the largest restaurant in the area aptly captures the dramatic changes sweeping Karnes County, long one of the poorest in the state.

The numbers tell part of the story: From 2009 to 2013, the county tax base rose from $513 million to $7.1 billion, and the volume of oil pumped here increased from 318,952 barrels in 2009 to nearly 46 million barrels through the first 10 months of 2013.

In the past four years, more than 2,000 drilling permits have been issued for Karnes County, which regularly leads the state in oil production.

The flood of cash into public coffers and to private landowners, measured annually in the hundreds of millions of dollars, is rapidly remaking the face and fabric of the county.

But it is also creating a two-class society: Those who have mineral rights and are cashing large royalty checks, and most of the rest, some of whom still are struggling to get by.

While the newly rich can invest in beach houses, stock portfolios and

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MIDLAND 101

By Jimmy Patterson

City's first institution of higher learning was Christian college

Midland's first institute of higher learning, Midland Christian College, opened in 1910 at the end of College Avenue. Due west of downtown Midland and the town's historical district, remnants of the foundation of the building can still be seen in Ulmer Park.

In the spring of 1908, trustees from Texas Christian University met to discuss the need for a new college in the western and southwestern regions of the state. The proliferation of the ranching business in West Texas helped tip the scales in Midland's favor.

"Trustees selected Midland, where ranching families came from hundreds of miles so their children could attend public schools. In December of the same year, interested Midland citizens met to select trustees and plan the proposed college," according to the Texas State Historical Commission.

The college was chartered on Jan. 19, 1909, and Frank Elkin, a TCU alumnus, sought financial assistance from his alma mater to help build the school. But trustees offered only cooperation and an opportunity for the college to become affiliated with the Christian denomination.

The history of First Christian Church of Midland credits the people of Midland with having the foresight to establish a Christian college here.

Midlanders donated a 225-acre site, and the sale of 300 parcels of land established a financial base for the college. In

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Obituaries

Dorothy Rotan Hall

Dorothy Rotan Hall passed away January 4, 2014 after a lengthy illness. She was born in Midland, Texas to Rush and Iva Rotan on June 29, 1930. She attended South Elementary, Cowden Jr. High and graduated from Midland High School in 1947. She married Truman Hall in 1950 and raised three children.

Dorothy was known for her personality, sense of humor and her smile. She could play jokes on you with the best of them, and always had a joke or funny story to tell, which she found funnier than anyone else, but most of all, she was a woman of great faith in the Lord and was dedicated to prayer. She was truly the type of woman the Bible speaks about in Proverbs 31: 10-31.

Dorothy was preceded in death by husband, Truman Hall; her parents; and by a brother, Bobby Rotan.

She is survived by daughter, Pam Stamper and husband Mike; sons, Charles Hall and wife Wilma, Randy Hall and wife Ann, all of Midland, Texas; any by her brother, Foy Rotan and wife Sarah.

She is also survived by grandchildren, Shawna and husband Mike Sims, Staci Brookshire, Justin Stamper, Chris and wife Shannon Hall, Corey and wife Amber Hall, Cara and husband Gary Rodgers, Randall and wife Breann Hall, Sam and wife Kneely Hall and Matt Hall; and by great grandchildren, Payton, Payslee, and Parker Sims, Trenton Brookshire, Jaxon Ransom, Cooper and Canon Hall, Makayla and Cayden Hall, Casey Alldredge, Conner Hall, Hannah, Brylie, and Aniston Hall.

Special thanks to staff of Senior Care Center of Midland for the wonderful care given to her and to Hospice of Midland.

Mrs. Hall will lie in state from 12:00 - 9:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 7, 2014 at Ellis Funeral Home.

Funeral service will be 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at True Lite Christian Fellowship Church 3001 A, Midland, Texas.

Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park. Services are entrusted to Ellis Funeral Home.

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Elizabeth "Betty" Casey Sappington

Betty Sappington, age 86, of Midland, Texas passed away on Saturday, January 4, 2014. The family will receive friends on Tuesday, January 7, 2014 from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Graveside services will be on Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. at Resthaven Memorial Park with Dr. Steve Schorr officiating.

Betty was born December 28, 1927 to Gwendolyn Brickey Casey and William Henry Casey in Potosi, Missouri, where she spent her young life. She attended Lindenwood College in St. Charles, Missouri and the University of Missouri, where she was a member of the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority. While at Missouri, she met Jack Sappington and they were married in 1949. They moved to Midland in 1952 where they reared their three daughters and spent many happy years.

Betty loved entertaining, golf and working in her yard. She and Jack enjoyed traveling and made many memorable trips. Music was a big part of her life and she played hand bells many years at the First Presbyterian Church of Midland. She was a charter member of the Midland Arts Association and the Colonel Theunis Dey Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She volunteered for various organizations including the Midland Memorial Hospital Auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by Jack, her husband of 51 years; her parents; a sister, Brickey Helmantoler; and by a brother, William "Buck" Casey.

Betty is survived by her three daughters, Debra Rae Sappington, of Dallas; Carol and husband, Lindsay Borden, of Midland, with grandchildren Casey Morrison and Jack Russell Borden, and Kitty and husband, Bill Chalfant, with grandchildren Andrew Lawson and Matthew Chalfant and wife Amber; and by great grandchildren, William Wesley and Evelyn Chalfant, all of Midland.

The family would like to extend their sincere thanks to Hospice of Midland, Wanda and the nursing staff at Helen Greathouse, and to the Poppy Flower sitters for the professional and thoughtful care given to our mother, and especially our thanks to Christiana V., whose loving care of our mother was so greatly appreciated.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggest memorials be made to The Scleroderma Foundation, 300 Rosewood Drive, Suite 105, Danvers, MA 01923, First Presbyterian Church Music Fund, 800 W. Texas Ave, Midland, Texas 79701, The Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri, Midland, Texas 79701, or a charity of your choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

Online condolences can be made at *www.npwelch.com*.

Eugene Gasser, Jr.

Eugene Gasser, Jr. was born on January 11, 1926 in Riverton, Wyoming to Eugene Gasser, Sr. and Clara Vock Gasser.

He started school at Bar G Ranch, moved to Riverton and started second grade. He graduated from Riverton High School with the class of 1944. He played football for the Riverton Wolverines from 1942-1944 and was drafted into the Army on September 23, 1944. He landed in the Philippines, where he joined the 136th Infantry and was honorably discharged on September 14, 1945.

Eugene married the love of his life, Mary Cram, on August 3, 1952. Together, they raised eight children. Gene loved and adamantly supported all of his kids. He and Mary traveled thousands of miles to football, volleyball and basketball games and wrestling matches. There was seldom an event in which his kids participated that he wasn't in the stands verbally making his presence known.

He worked in the oil fields and retired as an area foreman on July 6, 1986. In 2001, Gene and Mary moved to Midland, Texas to be near their family.

Eugene is survived by four sons and two daughters, Gary and Tina Gasser of Casper, Wyoming, Daniel and Lacy Gasser of Midland, Ronald and Christe Gasser of Greenwood, Richard and Kim Gasser of Midland, Jeannie and Tim Kohn of Midland, and Penney and Dave Parker of Midland; and by 16 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

He is also survived by his siblings, Ruth and Chris Pallas of San Bruno, California, and by Ralph and Judy Gasser, Jeanette and L.F. Tucker, and Nellie Raymond, all of Riverton, Wyoming; and by many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Gasser; his parents, Eugene and Clara Vock Gasser; and by two sons, Timothy John and Michael Eugene.

Eugene was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church of Midland and made several good friends. He also was a life-time member of the VFW.

Rosary will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 6, 2014 at St. Ann's Catholic Church.

Funeral Mass will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 7, 2014 at St. Ann's Catholic Church. A second rosary will be held on Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at Davis Funeral Home in Riverton, Wyoming.

A service will be held at Davis Funeral Home on Thursday, January 9, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. with graveside services to follow.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hospice of Midland, 911 West Texas Avenue, Midland, Texas 79701.

Condolences may be made at *www.ellisfunerals.com*.

Arrangements are under the directions of Ellis Funeral Home of Midland.

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Jim Lunday

Jim Lunday passed away on January 3, 2014. He was born on December 17, 1930 to his parents, George Spivie Lunday and Jennie Belle Lunday in Dallas, Texas. He married Geleska Showers in May 1953.

He attended Idabel OK High School and Eastern A&M in Wilburton, Oklahoma. He then moved to Dallas, Texas and worked for the Franklin Stores Corp.

Jim served with the 547th Armored Field Artillery Battalion in Ft. Knox, Kentucky. Upon completion of his army service, he attended the University of Oklahoma, graduating in 1957 with a BS in Petroleum Engineering.

He worked for Texaco for 20 years, and then founded Paragon Oil and later went on to consult for several independents, including Pogo.

He is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, Geleska Lunday of Midland, Texas; his daughter, Sherry Alfie and Abe of Midland, Texas; and by his son, Kevin Lunday of Houston, Texas.

He is preceded in death by his parents George and Jennie Lunday; and by his brother, George Douglas Lunday.

Private Graveside services were held.

Services are entrusted to EllisFuneral Home.

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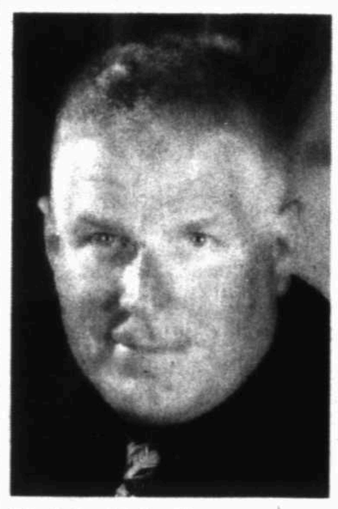

Robin Edwin Wheelhouse

Robin Edwin Wheelhouse, 50, of Midland passed from this world on January 3, 2014, after a losing a courageous battle with colon cancer.

The family will receive friends on Monday from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Myers & Smith Funeral Home, 301 E. 24th St., in Big Spring. Funeral services will be on Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. at Midway Baptist Church, 6200 S. Service Rd. Interstate 20, east of Big Spring. Graveside services will be at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday at Serenity Memorial Gardens Cemetery, 6800 S. Hwy. 349, south of Midland.

Robin was born in Sioux City, Iowa on September 25, 1963, to Wayne Roger Wheelhouse and Beverly Jean Hotchkiss Wheelhouse. Shortly thereafter, his family moved to his beloved black hills of South Dakota to the small community of Hill City.

Robin's childhood was filled with days of hiking, hunting, and exploring the hills, often providing dinner for his family through his adventures. Robin graduated from Hill City High School in 1981.

In 1984, Robin graduated from Western Nebraska Technical College, where he received an Associate's Degree in Applied Arts. Soon after school, he moved to the deserts of West Texas to pursue a career as a diesel mechanic.

Robin married Patricia (Patty) Joe Wood on September 21, 1988 in Big Lake, Texas. Together, Robin and Patty had two children; one daughter, Heather Joe Medley, and one son, Zachary Dillon Wheelhouse. After stents in Big Lake and Ballinger, Texas, Robin eventually settled with his family in Midland, Texas, where he became a partner in a local oil transport company.

It would take 25 years before Robin was able to make the first of two returns to the Black Hills. On both trips, he hiked the summit of Harney Peak, elevation 7242 feet, the highest summit in the United States east of the Rockies. His final hike took seven hours to complete with his son, daughter, and son-in-law.

Robin believed in hard work and doing a job right. His favorite actor was John Wayne and he collected John Wayne memorabilia. His favorite quote from Mr. Wayne was, "A man's gotta do what a man's gotta do." That's exactly what Robin did to support his family.

Robin was preceded in by his father Wayne Roger Wheelhouse.

Robin is survived by his wife of 25 years, Patty Wheelhouse; one daughter, Heather Joe Medley and her husband James Medley, of Midland; one son, Zachary Dillon Wheelhouse and his future wife, Courtney Fish, of Midland; and by one granddaughter, Kyleigh Joe Medley, of Midland.

He is also survived by his brother, Delbert "Pete" Klein and his wife Janice of Midland, Texas.

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

Betty J. Robbins

Betty J. Robbins passed away peacefully at Midland Memorial Hospital, January 3, 2014 following a brief illness.

She was born to Alton L. Payne and Laura B. Payne in Memphis, Tennessee on September 17, 1932. She grew up in rural Franklin Parish, Louisiana at Warsaw Landing on the Bayou Macon and graduated from Crowville High School, receiving the American Legion Award.

As a youth, she was active in FFA and raised beef calves for show in state shows. One was the state reserve champion at the Louisiana State Fair in Shreveport, Louisiana. She also took several calves to the national show at Chicago, Illinois.

Upon graduation from high school, she attended Louisiana State University where she met and married L. D. Robbins. They raised three children while living in Jackson, Mississippi; Mariana, Florida; Lubbock, Texas; West Germany; Tulsa, Oklahoma; Midland, Texas; Houston, Texas; Findlay, Ohio, and settled in Midland again in 1976.

She received a BA degree in Art at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin, was a member of First Methodist Midland and loved shopping for fine things and apparel. She loved raising and working with horses with her beloved daughter, Audrey, and traveling to Midland College and UTPB college rodeo team events where Audrey competed as a barrel racer. She worked with her business, Robbins Investment, Inc. until near the end.

As a beloved mother, she is survived by her son, Robert S. Robbins, his wife Christina and his two daughters, Bethany Pettit and Kristin Robbins; daughter, Dr. Laura J. Robbins-West, and her husband David and son Michael of Chateaugay, New York; and daughter, Audrey L. Robbins of Midland, Texas.

She is also survived by a sister, Beverly McMichael and husband Jim of Longview, Texas; sister-in-law, Betty J. Powell of Shreveport, and her two sons, Michael A. Powell and James D. Powell of Houston, and their families; and by her former husband and lifelong partner, L. D. Robbins.

Honorary pallbearers are James Rogers, Buddy Redden, Steve Castle and Woody Gregory.

The family would like to express heartfelt gratitude and thanks to all friends for their support and help, and to Kathy Whiteside, Tony and Ester Hernandez and Tori Napividad for all the things they did for Betty. Also, grateful appreciation for the care by Midland Memorial, Health South and Manor Park.

Chapel service will be 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 7, 2014 at Ellis Funeral Chapel. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Services are entrusted to Ellis Funeral Home.

Death Notices

Robert J. and Merlee Haywood

A Home Going Celebration was held for Robert J. and Merlee Haywood on Monday, Dec. 23, 2013.

Merlee Hoyle Haywood was born on Feb. 22, 1927 in Milam, TX. Robert James Haywood was born on July 31, 1929 in Mineral Wells, TX.

The love affair officially began on Nov. 4, 1953 and God allowed them to pass from this life together to their eternal reward on Dec. 18, 2013.

Robert is survived by his brother, Charles Mullins. Together, they are survived by a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, adopted children, former students, and a multitude of friends.

Thelma "Sis" DeWitt

Thelma "Sis" DeWitt passed away January 4, 2014 in Midland.

She is survived by three sons, Robert DeWitt, Willie DeWitt, Tommy J. DeWitt; and by two daughters, Nancy Jackson and Lisa Smith.

Funeral service will be 1:00 p.m. Thursday, January 9, 2014 at Greater St. Luke A.M.E. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park North.

Services are entrusted to Ellis Funeral Home.

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WEST

Frustration grows over slow aid distribution

Frustration is building in the town where an April fertilizer plant explosion killed 15 people, injured hundreds more and caused $100 million-plus in damages, according to a published report Sunday.

Residents of West desperate for cash to rebuild their lives have seen a foundation overseeing disaster relief collect about $3.6 million in donations from across the country. But less than 20 percent of that has been paid out, according to The Dallas Morning News.

Some victims have criticized the application process as bureaucratic, slow and often humiliating. Others have given up entirely.

Deirdre Matus, 50, was blinded in the blast. Her husband was also injured, and both are still waiting for monetary aid eight months later.

"We still don't know what we're going to get," Matus said "or if we're going to get anything."

The April 17 explosion destroyed a middle school, nursing home and scores of homes. Donations poured in, but so far, the West Long-Term Recovery has approved only $650,266 in payments on behalf of 43 victims. About two-thirds of that has actually been paid. The rest are awaiting invoices or other paperwork.

West Mayor Tommy Muska defended recovery efforts but also acknowledges they are moving too slowly.

A local real estate agent, Karen Bernsen, initially volunteered to head the recovery effort. She, her husband and four children lived outside the blast zone, and she became the registered agent of the West Long-Term recovery in May. But as tensions mounted, Bernsen wrote a column in the local weekly paper accusing some residents of being ungrateful. She later resigned.

HOUSTON

Woman dies, 2 hurt in pit bulls attack

Houston police have blamed several stray pit bulls for killing one person and injuring two others.

Investigators said the fatal mauling happened before dawn Sunday near an intersection in southeast Houston.

Authorities said one injured woman was declared dead at a hospital. Another woman and a man were treated for lesser injuries.

Animal control officials located one of the dogs. Two other pit bulls blamed for the attack remain on the loose. Authorities believe all three dogs did not have collars.

FORT WORTH

Firm identifies industrial death worker

An environmental company has identified a worker killed in an industrial accident at a water reclamation site.

A spokesman for Liquid Environmental Solutions on Sunday said the investigation continues into the death of 54-year-old Curtis Anderson, of Grapevine. Dana King said the service technician died Friday.

The Fort Worth Water Department said the accident happened at the Village Creek Water Reclamation Facility while the worker was delivering a load of liquid food waste. Other workers at the unit discovered the victim.

The treatment plant wasn't damaged in the incident.

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Finance reports reveal candidate viability

By Chris Tomlinson
Associated Press

■ ANALYSIS

AUSTIN — In the second largest state, with the second biggest population, money makes the politician.

The latest filing period for campaign finance reports ended New Year's Eve. Over the next 10 days, candidates will reveal how much they've spent so far, and more importantly, how much more they still have in the bank. Count on those with big numbers to release their totals earlier than those who didn't.

Fair or not, those numbers will also determine whose candidacy is taken seriously, and whose longshot campaign will go down as a footnote. That's because getting on the ballot is easy. Waging a campaign is hard.

Any Texan with either 5,000 signatures or $3,750 can get on a political party's primary ballot for governor. File the proper forms with the party, the Texas Ethics Commission and the Texas Secretary of State's office, and a ballot position is guaranteed.

What separates a major candidate from an also-ran is fundraising, a subjective way of measuring a campaign's organization and reach. Because there are no limits on personal campaign contributions or political action committees, it's possible though for some campaigns to appear more popular than they really are.

What's unquestioned is the importance of campaign funds. Texas has 20 media markets and barnstorming the state making personal appearances will not deliver the votes. TV, radio and direct mail are all necessary and expensive.

Right now on the primary ballots for governor, there are four Republicans and two Democrats. Barring any major surprises, though, only Republican Attorney General Greg Abbott and Democratic Fort Worth Sen. Wendy Davis will fall into the serious candidate category because they will be the only ones with seven- or eight-digit war chests.

Abbott had $23 million in cash at the end of the last reporting period on June 30. The only question for him is how much more money has he raised in what many expect will be the most expensive governor's race in Texas history.

The end-of-year campaign report will be a bigger test for Davis, who entered the race late. This will be the first opportunity for her campaign to prove she can raise enough money to be competitive in a state where no Democrat has won a statewide office since 1994. She had $1 million on-hand when she filed her June report, but that was before she announced her candidacy for governor.

Money doesn't guarantee victory, though. In California, Republican billionaire Meg Whitman spent $177 million on her campaign for governor, only to lose to Jerry Brown, a former Democratic governor who spent only $36 million. Brown's name recognition in a Democratic-leaning state made up for Whitman's deep pockets. But Davis won't have either of those advantages.

The more interesting story in Texas will be Republican fundraising numbers on the down-ballot races, such as lieutenant governor, attorney general and comptroller.

Incumbent millionaire David Dewhurst spent $20 million of his own money in his 2012 U.S. Senate bid, but his opponents will be looking for weakness reporting his campaign manager embezzled at least $760,000 in 2012. Dewhurst faces three challengers in the Republican primary, whom the media will almost certainly rank based on their bank balances.

There are no incumbents in the attorney general and comptroller races, where six candidates are vying for the Republican nominations. Dallas state Rep. Dan Branch led state Sen. Ken Paxton and Railroad Commissioner Barry Smitherman in the June totals, and the December update will set the tone for the rundown to the March 4 primary.

The Republican state comptroller's race was much closer, with state Sen. Glenn Hegar reporting $1.8 million cash-on-hand and state Rep. Harvey Hilderbran holding $1 million. Tea party activist Debra Medina, who had not started campaigning, was far behind with only $55,000.

Look for the candidates who raised the most money in those races to declare themselves the front-runners.

The campaign finance reports for all candidates will become public through the Texas Ethics Commission after the filing deadline on Jan. 15.

Business alliance tries to counter tea party clout

Associated Press

AUSTIN — An alliance of 10 major business trade groups is supporting mainstream Republicans in upcoming Texas GOP primaries, hoping to counter the clout of tea party forces, according to a published report Sunday.

The Dallas Morning News reported that the Texas Future Business Alliance has begun making donations and sending out mailers. It is supporting Republican candidates who during last year's legislative session backed increasing state spending for water infrastructure development, highway construction and public education.

The alliance encompasses 10 business organizations, including the chemical industry, bankers, builders and contractors. Its effort comes in response to fiscally conservative groups that have backed tea party primary candidates who fiercely oppose growing the size of government.

What's happening in Texas mirrors a similar national schism between establishment Republicans and the more-conservative wing of the party. The U.S. Chamber of Commerce recently pledged $50 million to back pro-business Republicans in U.S. Senate primaries in an effort to keep them safe from far-right primary candidates.

Texas Business Alliance spokesman David Polyansky said the group aims to "recognize leaders dedicated to keeping Texas as the best state in the nation for business development and job growth."

But Michael Quinn Sullivan, president of the fiscal-hawk group Empower Texans, countered that the Texas Future Business Alliance is out for little more than to ensure that taxpayer dollars flow to its interests.

"They want people who will vote for cronyism and corporate welfare," Sullivan told the newspaper.

Political observers said what's fundamentally at work is disagreements over how much Texas should be spending on infrastructure projects.

The GOP-controlled Texas Legislature in 2013 refused to tap the $8 billion in Texas' rainy day fund to help pay for water projects in the drought-plagued state or help relieve crumbling and traffic-clogged highways.

Instead, under pressure from tea party groups, lawmakers left it up to voters. They put a $2 billion referendum on the state ballot this November for water projects. Voters will also eventually decide whether to divert about $900 million annually for highways.

But some incumbents now fear they are vulnerable in districts so conservative that the GOP primary is the only competitive contest.

Rep. Jim Keffer, R-Eastland, is one of about two dozen Republicans the business alliance has backed. He said its support is vital to balance groups on the far right.

Keffer said he is a conservative who wants the state to keep pace with its booming population growth. He said the trade coalition is welcomed since it is willing to "support those people who are trying to govern."

Fast-growing Austin sees costs of living skyrocket

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Austin is on a winning streak, amid twin booms in economic and population growth. But a published report Sunday says the city's success has also made its cost of living more expensive — so much so that some longtime residents and recent transplants alike are being forced out.

The population grew from an estimated 674,000 in 2003 to 830,000 last year. Some suburbs, like Round Rock, grew even faster, making Austin among America's fastest-growing large metro areas. In August, Forbes magazine ranked the Austin area second among cities nationwide for job growth.

The increasing population has bolstered local attractions, including the South by Southwest festival. But that, in turn, has attracted still more people, driving living costs higher and prompting some residents to leave, according to The Austin American Statesman.

That includes Gin Daniel, who moved to Austin in the mid-1990s but moved last year to a small town in East Texas after the owner of her apartment complex just west of downtown sold it, and the rent tripled.

"I stayed as long as I could," Daniel said. "I love Austin, but I just couldn't afford it anymore."

Some said the rising prices undercut many of the notions ingrained in the city's ethos. Nonetheless, a study last year by Jed Kolko, chief economist for Trulia, a national online real estate site, found Austin is among the most expensive places for someone earning a median wage in a particular city.

Kolko concluded that only half the homes for sale in Austin are within reach of a household earning a typical salary, a smaller percentage than in all but 13 of the top 100 metro areas.

Incomes have also risen in the area, but when income gains are measured against housing costs, the trend is headed in the wrong direction. Median family income in the Austin area increased 13.5 percent from 2003 to 2012, while median home prices increased 31.3 percent and average rents increased 43 percent, according to the Texas A&M Real Estate Center.

Rising costs have undermined other municipal initiatives — including a 1990s effort to improve long-blighted East Austin by providing federal subsidies for a new, affordable subdivision in the Govalle neighborhood. The goal was to attract buyers who would get a discounted home in exchange for staying for years in a rough part of town.

Courtney Enriquez was among the buyers. But as the Eastside has developed a hip bar scene, things got too expensive. Enriquez and her husband moved to Smithville, 40 miles east of Austin, in November.

This school year, meanwhile, the Austin district shrank by an estimated 1,200 students, marking the district's first net loss in more than a decade.

As the city's inner core gets more expensive, the poor are being pushed to the suburbs.

The number of people living in poverty in the Central Texas suburbs rose 143 percent between 2000 and 2011, outpacing overall suburban population growth, according to a 2012 book by authors with the Brookings Institution in Washington.

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Club meetings, support groups today

■ Midland Parkinson Support Group, 6:30 p.m., HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital, 699-6640.
for miscarriage grief recovery, call 570-5935.
for post-abortion healing, call 570-5935.
■ Tall City VFW Post 7208, 1303 E. Taylor, bingo games 7 p.m.

Community calendar

■ Annual Tool Box Bash for the benefit of Midland Habitat for Humanity is planned for 6:30-9:30 p.m. Jan. 25 at Commemorative Air Force hangar. The event will include a silent auction.
For ticket information, call 686-8877.

2013 weather recap

Average high: 77.9
Average low: 51.6
Average temperature: 64.8
Typical average for a year: 63.9
Precipitation in 2013: 8.51 inches (just missed the top 10 for the driests years on record)
Average precipitation: 14.6 inches

Source: National Weather Service

What's on the radio

News talk
KCRS (AM 550)
6-9 a.m. The Morning Drive with Robert Hallmark and Kurt Verlei
9-11 a.m. Lynn Woolley
11 a.m.-2 p.m. Rush Limbaugh
2-5 p.m. Dave Ramsey
5-6 p.m. Local news reports
6-9 p.m. Roger Hedgecock
9-midnight Hugh Hewitt
Midnight-6 a.m. Coast to Coast with George Noory
Web: http://www.newstalkkcrs.com

KWEL (AM 1070, FM 107.1)
6-10 a.m. Morning Show with Craig Anderson
10 a.m.-noon, Herman Cain
Noon-2 p.m. Glenn Beck
2-5 p.m. Sean Hannity
5-7 p.m. Jason Moore
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6-9 a.m. Mike and Mike in the Morning
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Today in history

Today is Monday, Jan. 6, the sixth day of 2014. There are 359 days left in the year.

Today's highlight:

On Jan. 6, 1994, in an incident that shook the world of figure skating, Nancy Kerrigan was clubbed on the leg by an assailant at Detroit's Cobo Arena; four men, including the ex-husband of Kerrigan's rival, Tonya Harding, went to prison for their roles in the attack. (Harding, who denied knowing about plans for the attack, received probation after pleading guilty to conspiracy to hinder prosecution.)

On this date:

In 1838, Samuel Morse and Alfred Vail gave the first successful public demonstration of their telegraph, in Morristown, N.J.

In 1912, New Mexico became the 47th state.

In 1945, George Herbert Walker Bush married Barbara Pierce in Rye, N.Y.

In 1974, year-round daylight saving time began in the United States on a trial basis as a fuel-saving measure in response to the OPEC oil embargo.

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Chilling out East

Patti Jean Pasquino sleds down a hill in Goffle Brook Park with her daughter Emily, 2, alongside her son Anthony, 4, and her husband Michael, Sunday in Hawthorne, NJ.

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May 1910 a three-story brick building, with stone trimmings and ornate Corinthian columns at the front and side entrances, was completed on a site 1.5 miles west of the Midland County Courthouse. All facilities for the college — from classrooms to dormitories — were in the one building. The first semester began in September 1910; 107 students were enrolled. The first president was Henry R. Garrett. Franklin G. Jones and John T. McKissick followed.

Athletic programs consisted of football, baseball and tennis. The college had two publications — The Antelope, a monthly journal, and The Coyote, a newspaper.

A meningitis scare and a scarlet fever epidemic closed the school for a month in January 1912.

But the school would not last more than another decade. Midland's small population, and the fact that many local ranchers were wealthy enough to send their children away to school, led directly to the demise of MCC. It had neither tax money nor endowment funds and the school closed in 1921. With the permission of trustees, the institution moved to Cisco and became Cisco Christian College in 1922 and, later, Randolph Junior College.

A Texas Historical Commission marker on site reads: Midland Christian College. A 2-year, coeducational college that functioned 1910-1921. H.R. Garrett was first president. Students rode horse-drawn bus to campus; Some 250 attended in 1917. Financial stress forced closure. The 3-story gray brick building was later razed.

Jimmy Patterson's book, "A History of Character: The Story of Midland, Texas," is scheduled to be published this year.

Oil boom

From 1A

family trusts, others who work regular jobs must commute from as far away as San Antonio because of the housing shortage.

The boom also has brought extensive damage to county roads, crystal meth arrests, truck stop prostitution and a brutal wave of traffic deaths. And these are just the beginning of changes to come.

"The play will have legs for a long time. We've got at least 25 years of drilling these top productivity class wells, and we're probably talking 30 to 40 years with the second and third (class) wells," said Steve Trammel, a research director with IHS Inc. in Denver.

"Right now the play is hitting a million barrels (of oil) a day. We project it to grow to about 2.65 million barrel-of-oil-equivalents, (a category that includes natural gas, condensate and oil) of which about 70 percent will be liquids. So the play could double its daily oil production by 2020," he told the San Antonio Express-News.

Marathon Oil, one of the biggest producers in the county, expects 2014 to be very busy.

"Marathon will drill about 350 new wells in the Eagle Ford Shale next year and the majority will be in Karnes County," said Kirk Spilman, a regional vice president. "I think it's safe to say that the wells we're drilling today are going to be steadfastly producing for the next 20-30 years easily."

Conoco Philips, another big player, is building a large office building for 200 workers outside of Kenedy. Of the 500 wells it has drilled so far in the play, 143 have been in Karnes County.

During this holiday lull, local leaders have time to ponder the transformation of this traditional ranching and farming region, and to consider its future.

County Judge Barbara Shaw fears elected officials and others will bungle a rare opportunity to create lasting improvements.

"We've had oil plays before, and we had uranium, but we never did the right thing with the money. We should make this a welcoming place to be in 30 years, but I don't know if that's going to happen. Drive through downtown Karnes City. Would you want to live there?" she said.

Shaw said the sudden wealth is leading to greed and selfishness, from the landlord now charging five times the former rent, to shortsighted public officials eager to stuff their budgets.

"I'd like to see some common sense come back. Everyone sees the money coming in and they want to spend it as fast as possible," she said.

Brad Lane, superintendent of the Kenedy Independent School District for the past four years, said the boom has radically changed the district's economic equations, while also slightly boosting attendance.

"What amazes me the most are our (tax base) values. We were around $143 million in property values when I got here, and this last year our budget was based on $1.2 billion. That ought to tell you a little bit about how it has influenced the school district," he said.

Lane said the district will begin sending money to the state next year under the state's "Robin Hood" plan, which requires property wealthy districts to share their revenue with property poor districts.

"We went from a poor district to a rich district. People don't understand how it is now," he said.

In January, ground will be broken for a new secondary school complex. Voters, who will shoulder only a fraction of the cost, approved a $17 million bond issue to build the school.

"The biggest part is associated with the increase in values because of the oil and gas boom," he said.

Amid all the new construction around the county, the school project is almost incidental.

New motels, shopping plazas and industrial parks are springing up along U.S. 181 north and south of Kenedy. Construction is expected to begin this year on a large new H-E-B in Kenedy, and Otto Kaiser Memorial Hospital is pondering a $40 million expansion.

Work already has begun on a new $10 million county jail, and long-slumbering Karnes City even is talking about building a new City Hall, convention center and fire station complex on U.S. 181.

Among the landed, the boom is creating an improbable class of small-town millionaires.

But like the lottery winners who sometimes rue their new fortunes, the sudden riches and dramatic life changes can be unnerving, said attorney Steven Paulsgrove, whose does a lot of estate planning.

"The interesting thing is sitting with people who throw up their hands and wish it hadn't happened. The money isn't that important," he said.

"They wish there wasn't all the traffic and that they didn't have these tank batteries on their place. Now they have to move, and they don't want to move," he said.

But, he added, the reactions tend to follow a generational divide.

"To the older folks, who have reached a point in their lives where money isn't going to change them, it's a pain in the backside. For the younger people, it's a breath of fresh air. They know their future is secure," he added.

In the rural areas, massive new gas plants, service yards and transfer stations are gobbling up open land. Even tiny, isolated Panna Maria, site of the oldest permanent Polish settlement in North America, is being buffeted by the boom.

The town of fewer than 50 people is anchored by the majestic Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, first built in 1855. It long has seemed like a timeless holy place that came to life on Sunday mornings. But that image is changing, probably forever.

Just a hundred yards east of the church are a couple of huge nodding pump jacks, and drilling activity around the region is intense. FM 81 no longer is safe for footloose stray dogs who greet churchgoers on Sunday.

"We used to see a tractor go by, and maybe a combine and two or three pickups. Now it's a little different. You see convoys of 30 to 40 pickups going by in the morning and gravel trucks by the hundreds," said George Kowalik, who traces his roots to the arrival of the first Poles in 1854.

Kowalik, 68, retired here three years ago after a career in the Farm Bureau. He lives on the old family homestead, established in the 1860s, where as a boy he worked the fields with his father.

And until recently, life here always was about scraping by and hard work.

"There had never been any kind of oil income or any other kind of income other than farming and ranching here before. It goes back to 1854. The first ones almost froze to death and then they almost starved to death after that," he said of the original settlers.

But now, he said, the money is flowing out of the ground, including from the four wells already drilled on his land, and some people here are becoming very rich.

"There's been a lot of drilling here. If it wasn't so foggy right now, I could probably see six or eight rigs from my front porch," he added.

Even here, the boom is fueling new development, as plans are taking shape for creation of a Panna Maria Heritage Center, a 14,500-square-foot museum and library complex.

"It will be all about the Poles in America, kind of like the Institute of Texas Cultures," Kowalik said. "And it's coming from private donations, and that's from the oil boom."

But for all the growth and investment, there are gaping needs that locals find aggravating. While nearly 20 motels have been built or are in the works, the dining options still mostly are limited to Mexican, fast-food and barbecue.

"I'd like to see some American café-type restaurants, like an Applebee's, a Jim's or Denny's. Even a Chick-fil-A," Karnes City police Chief Roel Salas said.

More importantly, he'd like to move his eight-man department out of the tired, old Karnes County National Bank building, still furnished with gray marble teller stations and a large walk-in safe now used for evidence storage.

Folks also still are waiting for significant new housing construction — particularly single-family homes — as well as any form of entertainment, say a bowling alley or movie theater, and other amenities of civilization.

"We're just not getting any retail. No one wants to build a clothing store or a restaurant," said Helen Hernandez of the county's special projects team. "People complain about it. People are still driving to San Antonio to buy clothing. It's not like you can do your family shopping at Beall's in Floresville."

And, she said, while man camps and RV parks are proliferating, the county has a drastic shortage of more permanent housing.

Thus far, most of the new housing is coming in Kenedy, where permits have been issued for 96 apartment units and 44 single-family homes, city building inspector Lanny Holland said.

"Companies are putting major offices in the area, and they are going to be looking for places to live. They'll be able to afford quality housing, but I don't think there will be enough to go around," he said.

In long-slumbering Karnes City, the boom has forced the creation of planning and zoning ordinances. A comprehensive $85,000 study of the city will be finished in January.

It will cover everything from traffic patterns to land use to sewer and water infrastructure.

"It will allow us to do orderly planning and zoning, things we do willy-nilly right now," City Manager Don Tymrak said.

With only one new motel built so far and the downtown a listless drag of mostly empty storefronts, Karnes City has been slow to embrace development, but Tymrak sees that changing.

"We're going to be in a construction boom a year from now, building houses, apartments and businesses. In five years I think we'll be the desirable location to live and do business," he predicted.

To the north on U.S. 181 in Falls City, a quiet, middle-class bedroom community with first-rate schools, there likewise are few outward signs of the boom that is remaking other parts of the county.

Some say the best thing it has brought thus far is Justin Twine, the son of oil field workers, who moved here last year. A star running back, Twine took the Battling Beavers to a 14-1 season that ended with a loss in the Class A state championship game.

But beneath the surface, Falls City also is changing, says Falls City National Bank president Gerald Sekula, whose institution has seen deposits nearly double in the past three years to $290 million.

"The biggest thing is the money. People here were struggling on ranches and farms and all of a sudden they are no longer struggling. That useless farmland is now making money for them," he said.

Romney: Putin's Russia undercuts Olympic spirit

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Russia's slide from democratic reforms and its relationships with international peers threaten to undercut the spirit of the Olympic Games it hosts next month, failed presidential nominee Mitt Romney said Sunday.

Romney, who led 2002's Winter Games in Salt Lake City, said he also worried about security preparations but predicted Russia has done everything it can to prevent violence and to protect athletes at the Sochi games.

"I don't think any major global event that brings people from all over the world together like that can possibly escape the threat of violence," said Romney, whom Republicans picked to challenge President Barack Obama's re-election bid in 2012.

Twin suicide bombings in the Russian city of Volgograd left 34 victims dead last week, just 400 miles from where the Sochi Games will be held.

No group has claimed responsibility for the bombings, but they highlight just how vulnerable the games could be to militant attacks. Separatists seeking to carve out an Islamic state in the North Caucasus have mounted attacks across Russia for nearly two decades, following wars between separatist Chechen rebels and Russian forces.

"Russia has a special problem given the threats that have been leveled," Romney said.

"There's no question about it. It's very, very frightening to have any kind of Olympic event on your national soil," he added.

Romney's criticism of Russia is hardly new. During his presidential campaign, Romney called Russia "our No. 1 geopolitical foe."

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Tevin C. Allen, 21, of Midland, was charged Saturday with violation of probation.
Justin T. Campbell, was charged Saturday with credit card or debit card abuse.
Elmo R. Fortenberry Jr., 50, of Midland, was charged Saturday with assault on a public servant and taking a weapon from an officer.
Adrian S. Hernandez, 22, of Midland, was charged Saturday with possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram and violation of probation.
San N. Kuhl, 35, of Midland, was charged Saturday with obstruction or retaliation.
Billy C. Maham, 31, of Lompoc, Calif., was charged Saturday with violation of probation.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

Below-zero temps push into Midwest, Northeast

By Tammy Webber and Kerry Lester
Associated Press

CHICAGO — Icy, snow-covered roads and high winds made travel treacherous Sunday from the Dakotas and Michigan to Missouri as much of the nation braced for the next winter wallop: a dangerous cold that could break records.

A whirlpool of frigid, dense air known as a "polar vortex" was expected to suppress temperatures in more than half of the continental U.S. starting into Monday and Tuesday, with wind chill warnings stretching from Montana to Alabama.

It was 5 degrees at kickoff Sunday afternoon inside sold-out Lambeau Field for a playoff game between the Green Bay Packers and the San Francisco 49ers, one of the coldest ever played.

"We suited up, we brought all the snowboarding gear we use ... and added to it," said 49ers fan Jeff Giardinelli, of Fresno, Calif. "Without the wind, which isn't here yet, we're good. When it gets windy, we'll be ready for it."

The forecast is extreme: 25 below zero in Fargo, N.D., minus 31 in International Falls, Minn., and minus 15 in Indianapolis and Chicago. Wind chills — what it feels like outside when high winds are factored into the temperature — could drop into the minus 50s and 60s. Northeastern Montana was warned of wind chills up to 59 below zero.

"It's just a dangerous cold," said National Weather Service meteorologist Butch Dye in Missouri.

Several Midwestern states received up to a foot of new snow Sunday. Five to 9 inches fell in the Chicago area by Sunday afternoon. St. Louis area had about a foot of snow and northern Indiana had at least 8 inches. Central Illinois braced for 8 to 10 inches, and southern Michigan could see up to 15 inches.

Officials closed several Illinois roadways because of drifting snow and warned residents to stay inside. Roads in the Midwest were particularly dangerous, and officials in Missouri said it was too cold for rock salt to be very effective.

Authorities also urged people to check on elderly and disabled relatives and neighbors.

In Chicago, temperatures were expected to bottom out around minus 15 overnight, likely setting a daily record, National Weather Service meteorologist Ed Fenelon said. Earlier Sunday, temperatures sank to minus 20 and colder in northern Minnesota and Grand Forks, N.D.

It hasn't been this cold for almost two decades in many parts of the country. Frostbite and hypothermia can set in quickly at 15 to 30 below zero.

Lorna West, a 43-year-old student and consultant from Columbus, Ohio, said she doesn't believe people unaccustomed to such weather are ready for what's coming.

A Chicago native, she said thermal underwear, lots of layers and "Eskimo coats" with zipped hoods to block the wind were the norm growing up.

"And don't go out if you don't have to," she said.

In Michigan, residents jammed stores to stock up on supplies.

"I made my husband go grocery shopping last night," said Kim Tarnopol, 46, of the Detroit suburb of Huntington Woods. Tarnopol was picking up cold medicine Sunday for her daughter Emma at a CVS in nearby Berkley, Mich.

Travel problems started early Sunday. In New York City, a plane from Toronto landed at Kennedy International Airport and then slid into snow on a taxiway. No one was hurt, though the airport temporarily suspended operations because of icy runways.

About 1,200 flights had been cancelled Sunday at O'Hare and Midway international airports in Chicago, aviation officials said, and there also were cancellations at Logan International Airport in Boston and Tennessee's Memphis and Nashville international airports.

School was called off Monday for the entire state of Minnesota, as well as cities and districts in Wisconsin, Illinois and Indiana and Iowa, among others. Chicago officials said school would be in session for the nation's third-largest district, though absences would be excused.

Southern states are bracing for possible record temperatures, too, with single-digit highs expected Tuesday in Georgia and Alabama.

Temperatures are expected to dip into the 30s in parts of Florida on Tuesday. But Florida Citrus Mutual spokesman Andrew Meadows said it must be at 28 degrees or lower four hours straight for fruit to freeze badly.

In western Kentucky, which could see 1 to 3 inches of snow, Smithland farmer David Nickell moved extra hay to the field and his animals out of the wind. He'd also stocked up on batteries and gas and loaded up the pantry and freezer. The 2009 ice storm that paralyzed the state and knocked out power to hundreds of thousands of people is fresh in his mind.

"We are hoping this isn't going to be more than a few days of cold weather, but we did learn with the ice storm that you can wake up in the 19th century and you need to be able to not only survive, but be comfortable and continue with your basic day-to-day functions," Nickell said.

In Mt. Prospect, Ill., Steve White spent part of Sunday raking his roof with a specially made pole to prevent icicles as he prepares for a trip to Costa Rica in the coming days. He also installed a thermostat that directly faces a window, so a neighbor can check to make sure his furnace is working.

"I'm just glad I'm here to take care of it," he said.

State-by-state conditions

CHICAGO — Frigid, subzero temperatures and winter weather descended across a wide swath of the central and eastern United States on Sunday, with temperatures expected to plummet further overnight.

Some Midwestern residents were digging out from nearly a foot of snow that fell by Sunday afternoon, and grocery stores there sold out of essentials. Hazardous travel conditions in many states led to canceled flights and prompted warnings from transportation officials that only those who absolutely need to venture out should do so. Some schools canceled Monday classes, and local governments and charities worked to be sure shelters were available for anyone who needed them.

Even the South will be affected by the "polar vortex" of cold air, with temperatures there set to fall well below normal on Monday and Tuesday.

FLORIDA

Temperatures are expected to dip into the 30s in parts of Florida on Tuesday, but the state's citrus industry isn't expecting any damage to crops. A spokesman for Florida Citrus Mutual said it must be at 28 degrees or lower for four hours straight for fruit to freeze badly.

ILLINOIS

Chicago Public School officials on Sunday reversed course, canceling classes for Monday ahead of the expected bitterly cold temperatures. The change in plans comes after withering criticism from the Chicago Teachers Union, though officials said they made the decision after they "evaluated the situation again." Temperatures were expected to dip to minus 15 degrees on Monday, with wind chills of 40 to 50 below zero possible. The city was also walloped by snow on Sunday.

INDIANA

A winter storm dropped 8 inches on parts of northern Indiana by Sunday afternoon, and some areas could see up to a foot. Gov. Mike Pence ordered nearly 100 Indiana National Guard members to be ready to help rescue stranded motorists, move people to shelters and assist local emergency services workers in reaching people who need medical help.

The state General Assembly postponed Monday's opening of its 2014 session.

KENTUCKY

Even though the initial forecast for snow has been scaled back, flights for Monday and Tuesday were canceled at Barkley Regional Airport in Paducah. Organizations including churches and the Salvation Army were planning to open warming centers in some cities.

LOUISIANA

With two frigid nights on the way, New Orleans' city government said its freeze plan is in effect. All shelters will be open free of charge to people who need to get out of the cold. The city also encouraged residents to check on neighbors and the elderly.

MICHIGAN

The harshest winter conditions in 20 years are heading for Michigan's Lower Peninsula, with up to 15 inches of snow forecast for parts of the state by late Sunday followed by temperatures diving as low as minus 15.

MINNESOTA

The cold snap that the National Weather Service is calling "historic and dangerous" has arrived in Minnesota. Temperatures were in the single digits below zero in the Twin Cities area Sunday afternoon, and temperatures are expected to dip between 25 below and 40 below overnight, with wind chills plummeting to between 55 below and 65 below zero.

MISSOURI

Heavy snow combined with strong winds and cold created dangerous conditions Sunday in much of Missouri, prompting warnings that only those who absolutely need to venture out should do so. The state Department of Transportation said it was so cold the salt used to melt ice and snow wasn't very effective and that conditions were so bad they were endangering those driving the plows and trucks.

NEBRASKA

Officials are warning that frostbite and hypothermia are possible if Nebraska residents aren't prepared for the cold moving into the state Sunday afternoon. The Nebraska Humane Society urged pet owners to bring their animals inside.

NEW JERSEY

Weather-weary New Jersey residents got a short-lived respite Sunday, as warmer temperatures started to melt the snow and ice spawned by last week's major storm. But forecasters say frigid temperatures will return Monday night, when lows will drop to the single digits and wind chills could reach 15 degrees below zero.

TENNESSEE

Winter weather caused the cancellation and delay of flights both to and from Nashville and Memphis on Sunday. The Metro Nashville government said it was partnering with local organizations to make sure shelters were available. Some school districts have canceled classes Monday due to the forecast.

VIRGINIA

The National Weather Service has issued wind chill warnings that take effect Monday evening from the Alleghany Highlands southeast to the Virginia Piedmont, including the Roanoke and New River valleys, and areas west of the Blue Ridge. Those areas could see wind chills of minus 30 degrees.

WISCONSIN

The deep freeze put a chill on outdoor tailgating at Lambeau Field in Green Bay for the 49ers-Packers game, though tickets were sold out for what could be one of the coldest games in NFL history. It was 5 degrees at kickoff at 3:40 p.m., warmer than expected.

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Conservatives should listen to the founders

■ It is time to think of "government as a precious national institution in need of care and reform"

MICHAEL GERSON
Washington Post Writers Group

A political backlash has commenced within the Republican Party against tea party and libertarian groups that have limited interest in securing Republican victories and majorities. Elected leaders, party officials and business groups have begun pushing back against self-destructive legislative strategies and unelectable primary candidates.

But the GOP political reaction often concedes a great deal of ideological ground to anti-government populism — what its advocates describe as "constitutionalism." Our national recovery, in this view, depends on returning to the severely constrained governing vision of the American founders, as embodied in the Constitution. Many Republicans now seem to be saying: Yes, this is the conservative ideal, but it is just not practical to implement at the moment.

This cedes too much. In a new essay in National Affairs, "A Conservative Vision of Government," Pete Wehner and I argue that the identification of constitutionalism with an anti-government ideology is not only politically toxic; it is historically and philosophically mistaken.

It is not enough to praise America's founders; it is necessary to listen to them. The Federalist founders did not view government as a necessary evil. They referred to the "imbecility" of a weak federal government (in the form of the Articles of Confederation) compared to a relatively strong central government, which is what the Constitution actually created. Though they feared the concentration of too much power in one branch of government, they believed that good government was essential to promote what they referred to as the "public good."

And they assumed that the content of the public good would shift over time. "Constitutions of civil government," argued Alexander Hamilton in Federalist No. 34, "are not to be framed upon a calculation of existing exigencies, but upon a combination of these with the probable exigencies of ages. ... Nothing, therefore, can be more fallacious than to infer the extent of any power, proper to be lodged in the national government from an estimate of its immediate necessities. There ought to be a CAPACITY to provide for future contingencies as they may happen."

In the tradition of the Federalist founders, Abraham Lincoln believed the federal government should be capable of adjusting to changing circumstances and active in pursuit of national purposes. In his "Fragments on Government," Lincoln described a number of matters requiring the "combined action" of government, including "public roads and highways, public schools, charities, pauperism" and "providing for the helpless young and afflicted."

Conservatives naturally want to be seen as defenders of the Constitution. But "constitutional conservatives" need to recognize what both the Federalist founders and Lincoln actually envisioned for the republic they created and preserved. Far from being constrained by the political and economic arrangements of an 18th-century coastal, agrarian republic, the founders fully expected America to spread across a continent, undergo economic and social change, and emerge as a global actor. And they purposely designed a constitutional system that could accommodate such ambitions.

This is not to argue the founders would be happy with the current size and role of government. But, after protecting a variety of essential civil liberties, they placed such matters mainly in the realm of democratic self-government. They made it procedurally difficult for majorities to prevail. But they placed few limits on the public policies that durable majorities might adopt in the future — leaving "a capacity to provide for future contingencies."

In our time, for example, durable majorities have endorsed the existence of Social Security and Medicare. These roles of government were not envisioned by the founders. But they also do not violate a principle of our system or run counter to the prescient mindset of the founders. People are free to argue for and against such programs. But this debate can't be trumped or short-circuited by simplistic and legalistic appeals to the Constitution as a purely limiting document.

The broad purposes of the modern state — promoting equal opportunity, providing for the poor and elderly — are valid within our constitutional order. But these roles are often carried out in antiquated, failing systems. The conservative challenge is to accept a commitment to the "public good," while providing a distinctly conservative vision of effective, modest, modern government.

But a shift in mindset is first required among conservatives: thinking of government as a precious national institution in need of care and reform. This would honor the founders. The real founders.

OUR VIEW

We can't pass up opportunity to talk news with Midlanders

It's the first Monday after the start of the new year, and that means life returns to the nearly breakneck pace that most are used to in Midland.

We welcome everyone back from seeing family and friends, from being out of town and from the holiday season that slows down life in our community. Now that everyone is back, please drive safely.

We are ready for a great 2014.

The purpose of Our View today isn't to weigh in on a hot topic. We will save that for later this week when we address the battles of the upcoming Republican primary here in Midland.

We want to remind Midlanders that we at the Reporter-Telegram value our place in our community. Our voice has been a mainstay since March 1929 — when the Midland Reporter and the Midland Daily Telegram merged.

To make sure we are in touch with what our readers are talking about, we go out in the community. Most of the time it is through the eyes and ears of a reporter and the lens of a photographer.

However, today, we want to offer you the opportunity to get to know those at your newspaper. If you want to have a representative of the newspaper visit your group or organization, give us a call. We will answer questions, listen to concerns and hear more about what you expect of us.

We also will have a chance to get to know people in our changing community. It's an opportunity we cannot pass up.

Send your requests to news@mrt.com or call Editor Stewart Doreen at 687-8856.

Community columnists should offer readers more

In 2014, the Reporter-Telegram will be asking some members of our community to weigh in on issues of the day.

We are in the midst of creating a community panel to write opinion pieces that will appear from time to time on our opinion and op-ed pages. If you know of a person who would be a great addition to our group, please send a name and contact number to news@mrt.com.

We take seriously our responsibility as a voice of the community. We expect this change will give our readers more information and insight to consider as they form their opinions about our community and its issues.

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Duck David knocks off Goliath

■ The Quack Kingdom got its Phil back after the family that hunts together stayed together

RUBEN NAVARRETTE
Washington Post Writers Group

The Chinese calendar says that 2013 was the Year of the Snake. But given the recent media ruckus involving a dynasty closer to home and how it all turned out, it is clear that the recently departed 2013 could have been called the Year of the Duck.

You'll recall that the A&E network made a big production of the fact that it was placing "Duck Dynasty" star Phil Robertson "under hiatus from filming indefinitely" after he — in paraphrasing a Bible verse during an interview with GQ magazine — appeared to compare homosexuality with bestiality. Just as troubling, he also seemed to minimize the mistreatment that African-Americans suffered in the South before the civil rights movement.

Whether you agree with these thoughts or not — and I don't — this isn't our first duck hunt. We know that when celebrities say or do the wrong thing, they can often escape a trip to the principal's office if they issue a statement of apology and promise to make amends.

Robertson refused to play along, claiming that his comments on homosexuality were based on religious beliefs. So the network was stuck in the unenviable position of having benched the star of its biggest hit with no face-saving way of bringing him back.

After that, it was open season on A&E as supporters of the show, which pulls down an average of 14.6 million viewers each week when you count those who record it, threatened a boycott and launched several petitions demanding Robertson's reinstatement.

They needn't have bothered. The defining moment in this drama came when the rest of the Robertson family issued a statement, just one day after the suspension was announced. They signaled that the show, which is built around the family and its business manufacturing supplies for duck hunters, would not go on without Phil.

This was an example of how things aren't usually done in Hollywood. Often, when a star is dumped from a series, the other actors move up and take his place. So they're only too happy to see him go. Not this time. And when the network wasn't able to divide and conquer the talent, it had to face for the first time the possibility of killing the duck that laid the golden egg. According to media reports based on interviews with people within the network, this was never a consideration.

And so, just nine days after the A&E suspended Robertson, the cable channel caved.

Two days after Christmas, when few Americans are paying attention to the news, A&E announced that the suspension was lifted and that Robertson would be included in future tapings of the popular reality show.

We could have seen this coming. Just a few days earlier, Entertainment Weekly reported that — starting Jan. 15 — the network was planning to air new episodes of the show that would include scenes featuring Robertson. These new episodes were already in the can, so the network bosses could claim they had no choice but to air them — and make a bundle of money in advertising revenue. The issue was what A&E would do about episodes that were yet to be taped. Now we know what the choice was — profits over principle.

The network did say that it also planned to "use this moment" to broadcast public service announcements "promoting unity, tolerance and acceptance among all people."

For some, the ending was a little too tidy. One theory making the rounds is that this whole thing was an elaborate publicity stunt that was pulled off brilliantly and will likely result in even bigger ratings, and thus more profits, when the new season starts later this month.

But assuming this was real, and all this really unfolded just the way it appears, then it's a victory — and not just for one colorful Louisiana family and their fans. The winners also include those Americans who bristled at the idea that people can't have opinions anymore if they happen to diverge from the politically correct party line.

The Robertsons are fond of the Bible. And if you're looking for a good parable to describe what they just went through, you won't do better than David and Goliath.

From the Left | Doonesbury

From the Right | Mallard Fillmore

Some states confirm water pollution from drilling

By Kevin Begos
Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — In at least four states that have nurtured the nation's energy boom, hundreds of complaints have been made about well-water contamination from oil or gas drilling, and pollution was confirmed in a number of them, according to a review that casts doubt on industry suggestions that such problems rarely happen.

The Associated Press requested data on drilling-related complaints in Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia and Texas and found major differences in how the states report such problems. Texas provided the most detail, while the other states provided only general outlines. And while the confirmed problems represent only a tiny portion of the thousands of oil and gas wells drilled each year in the U.S., the lack of detail in some state reports could help fuel public confusion and mistrust.

The AP found that Pennsylvania received 398 complaints in 2013 alleging that oil or natural gas drilling polluted or otherwise affected private water wells, compared with 499 in 2012. The Pennsylvania complaints can include allegations of short-term diminished water flow, as well as pollution from stray gas or other substances. More than 100 cases of pollution were confirmed over the past five years.

Just hearing the total number of complaints shocked Heather McMicken, an eastern Pennsylvania homeowner who complained about water-well contamination that state officials eventually confirmed.

"Wow, I'm very surprised," said McMicken, recalling that she and her husband never knew how many other people made similar complaints, since the main source of information "was just through the grapevine."

The McMickens were one of three families that eventually reached a $1.6 million settlement with a drilling company. Heather McMicken said the state should be forthcoming with details.

Over the past 10 years, hydraulic fracturing has led to a boom in oil and natural gas production around the nation. It has reduced imports and led to hundreds of billions of dollars in revenue for companies and landowners but also created pollution fears.

Extracting fuel from shale formations requires pumping hundreds of thousands of gallons of water, sand and chemicals into the ground to break apart rock and free the gas. Some of that water, along with large quantities of existing underground water, returns to the surface, and it can contain high levels of salt, drilling chemicals, heavy metals and naturally occurring low-level radiation.

But some conventional oil and gas wells are still drilled, so the complaints about water contamination can come from them, too. Experts said the most common type of pollution involves methane, not chemicals from the drilling process.

Some people who rely on well water near drilling operations have complained about pollution, but there's been considerable confusion over how widespread such problems are. For example, starting in 2011, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection aggressively fought efforts by the AP and other news organizations to obtain information about complaints related to drilling. The department has argued in court filings that it does not count how many contamination "determination letters" it issues or track where they are kept in its files.

Steve Forde, a spokesman for the Marcellus Shale Coalition, the leading industry group in Pennsylvania, said in a statement that "transparency and making data available to the public is critical to getting this historic opportunity right and maintaining the public's trust."

When the state Environmental Department determines natural gas development has caused problems, Forde said, "our member companies work collaboratively with the homeowner and regulators to find a speedy resolution."

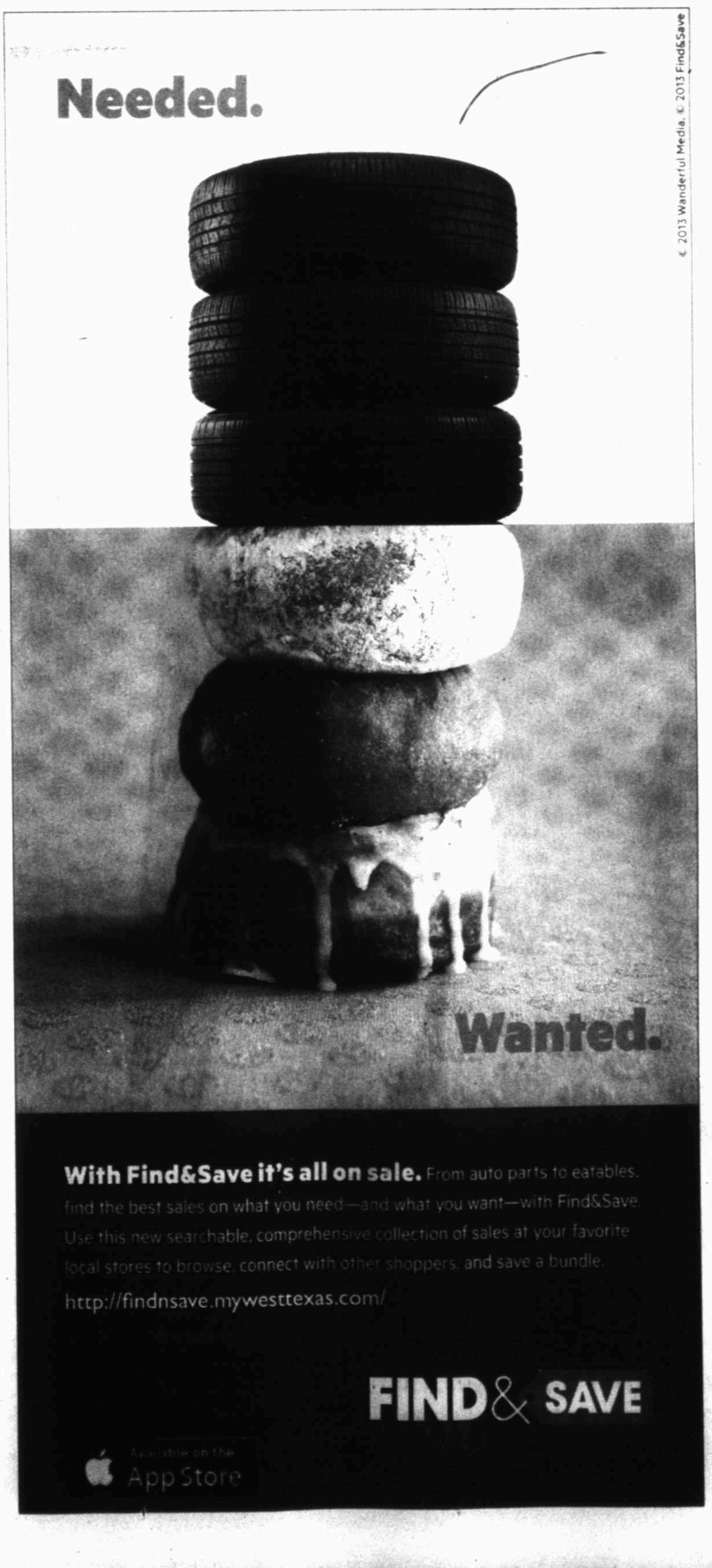
Among the findings in the AP's review:

■ Pennsylvania has confirmed at least 106 water-well contamination cases since 2005, out of more than 5,000 new wells. There were five confirmed cases of water-well contamination in the first nine months of 2012, 18 in all of 2011 and 29 in 2010. The Environmental Department said more complete data may be available in several months.

■ Ohio had 37 complaints in 2010 and no confirmed contamination of water supplies; 54 complaints in 2011 and two confirmed cases of contamination; 59 complaints in 2012 and two confirmed contaminations; and 40 complaints for the first 11 months of 2013, with two confirmed contaminations and 14 still under investigation, Department of Natural Resources spokesman Mark Bruce said in an email. None of the six confirmed cases of contamination was related to fracking, Bruce said.

■ West Virginia has had about 122 complaints that drilling contaminated water wells over the past four years, and in four cases the evidence was strong enough that the driller agreed to take corrective action, officials said.

■ A Texas spreadsheet contains more than 2,000 complaints, and 62 of those allege possible well-water contamination from oil and gas activity, said Ramona Nye, a spokeswoman for the Railroad Commission of Texas, which oversees drilling. Texas regulators haven't confirmed a single case of drilling-related water-well contamination in the past 10 years, she said.



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'America's Pharmacist' Makes Memory Discovery of a Lifetime: Is it the Fountain of Youth for Aging Minds?

Pharmacist of the Year, Dr. Gene Steiner, finds what he and his patients have been looking for... a real memory pill

PHOENIX, ARIZONA – If Pharmacist of the Year, Dr. Gene Steiner, had a nickel for every time someone leaned over the counter and whispered, "Do you have anything that can improve my memory," he would be a rich man today.

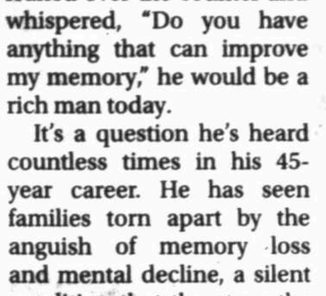
It's a question he's heard countless times in his 45-year career. He has seen families torn apart by the anguish of memory loss and mental decline, a silent condition that threatens the independent lifestyle seniors hold so dearly.

In his years-long search for a drug or nutrient that could slow mental decline, he finally found the answer in the pages of an obscure medical journal.

"I was studying materials about memory loss and cognitive decline, and there it was, right in front of me... evidence of a real memory pill!"

"At the time, I was an anchor for a medical program in Los Angeles. I was so excited that I contacted the author of the research and invited him to come on the program as a guest."

"I wanted millions of listeners to learn about this important new development!"



Seniors are more concerned about memory loss and mental decline than they are about death, itself, according to a new survey.

Dr. Steiner's guest that night, US researcher, Josh Reynolds, observed a common 'disturbance' in aging brains, one that may be the primary cause of degrading memory and concentration powers.

Gasping for Air?

He saw evidence that older brains were 'gasping for additional oxygen,' a condition caused by poor blood circulation.

"Insufficient circulation," says Steiner, "reduces oxygen to the brain, a sign of premature mental decline. This also restricts the supply of critical brain specific antioxidants and nutrients."

Reduced blood flow has another brain-numbing effect: it slashes the number of neurotransmitters in the brain, the messenger molecules used by the brain to help form thoughts, retrieve memories, and help its owner stay focused and on-task.

Fewer neurotransmitters circulating in the brain translates to concentration and memory woes.

So, Reynolds and a team of scientists developed a natural, drug-free compound shown in research to prompt aging brains to begin to 'think and react,' younger.

Tired Brains Snap Awake!

"It helps tired, forgetful brains to 'snap awake," says Dr. Steiner.

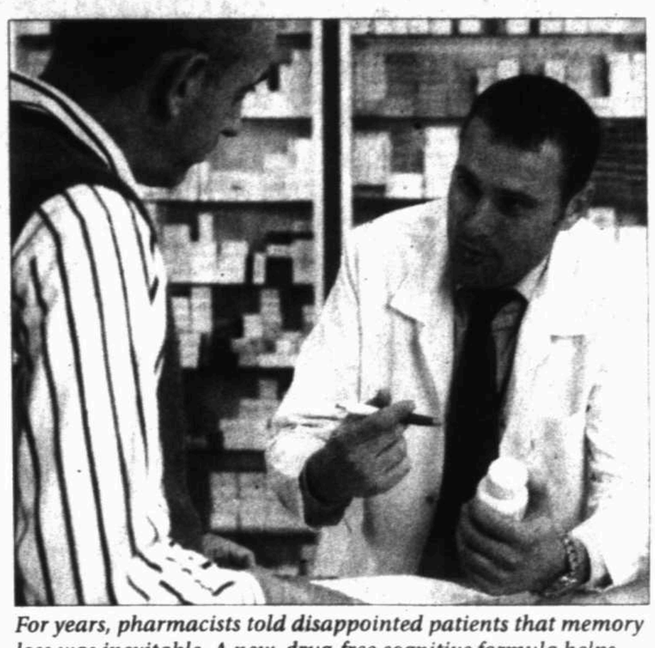
"This natural memory pill is to your aging, sluggish brain, what a breath of fresh air is to your lungs," he says.

It works so well, explains Steiner, that the participants in a peer-reviewed, international research study not only saw improvements in their memory, mood and concentration, but they also regained lost brainpower equal to that of someone 15 years younger, all in a 30-day time period!

This made perfect sense to Dr. Steiner, who knew instinctively that age-related memory problems may be correctable.

After the Show

After the show, Dr. Steiner confided to his guest that he was fearful of not being able to recall certain subject matter for his popular radio show.



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Pharmacist of the Year, Gene Steiner, PharmD, was so impressed with his newfound memory powers that he recommended the patented, prescription-free memory formula to his pharmacy patients with great success.

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"I was about to consult a neurologist when I read a newspaper article about it."

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"I highly recommend it," says Dr. Steiner. "This drug-free compound is the perfect supplement for increasing one's brain power. If it worked for me, it can work for you!"

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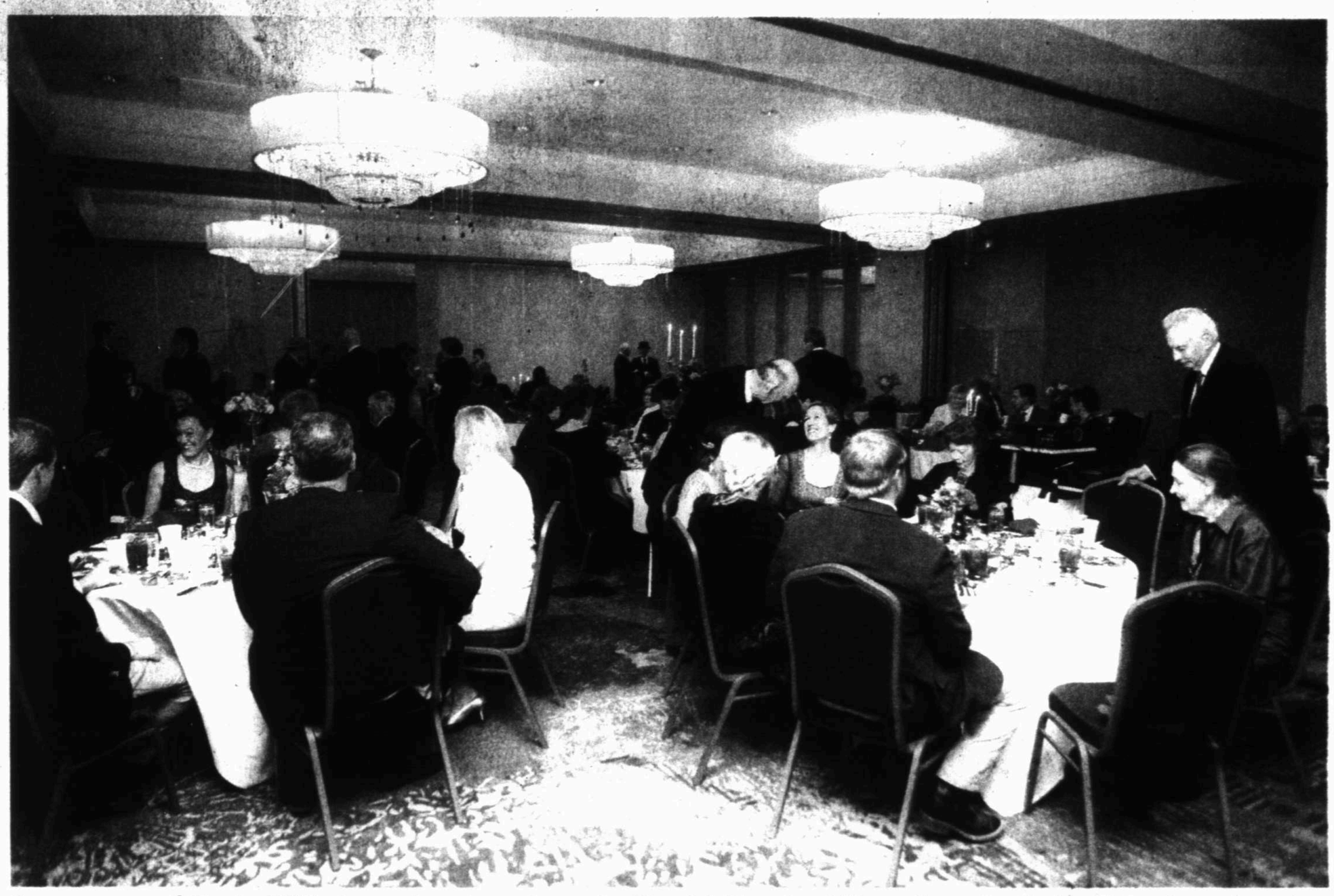

Supporters of Basin PBS showed up in style at the DoubleTree by Hilton for a fundraiser based on the series "Downton Abbey." The event featured a three-course dinner, live auction and a screening of the first hour of the fourth season of the show. In addition, there was a presentation by Carol Wallace, co-author of "To Marry an English Lord," the novel that inspired the creator of "Downton Abbey."

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ABOVE: Period clothing sponsored by The Cats Meow was on display at the Basin PBS fundraiser event "An Evening with Downton Abbey" on Saturday at the DoubleTree hotel. **RIGHT:** Midland County Public Library Director John Trischitti III and friends enjoy dinner.

LEFT: CBS news anchor Tatum Hubbard shows off auction items. **ABOVE:** Sarana Savage and friends enjoy dinner during.

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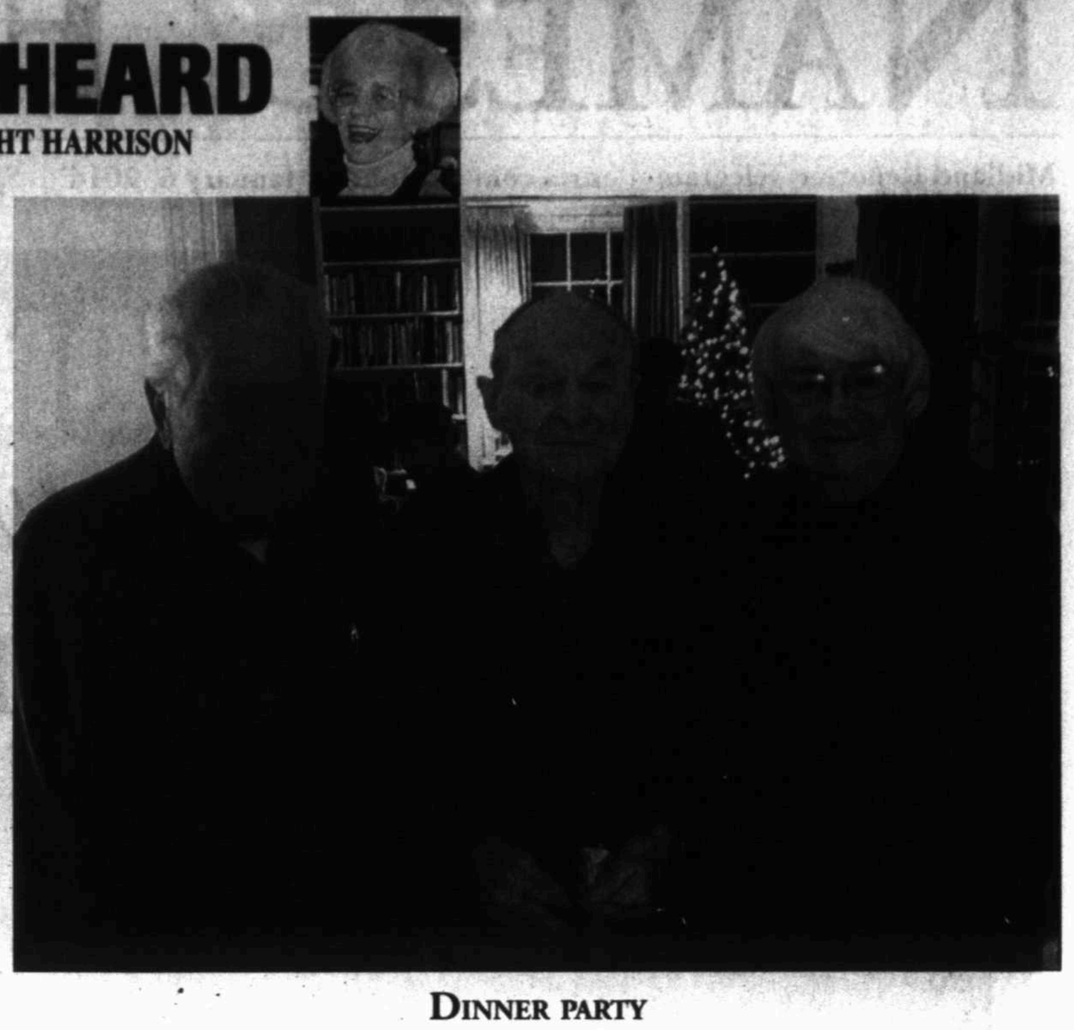
HALEY LIBRARY PARTY

Herb and Elizabeth Blankinship, from left, and Barbra and Trey Grafa.



DINNER PARTY

Jim Truitt, from left, Bill Pennebaker and Mary Lou Cassidy.

MCC LADIES ASSOCIATION

RIGHT Eileen Piwitz, from left, Dona Amos and Beverly Pevehouse.

ZETA TAU ALPHA

BELOW Caroline Marshall, from left, Sue Marshall, Amy Wilson, Laura Wilson and Mary Beck.

PI BETA PHI

Madison Carleton, from left, Kim Carleton and McKenzie Carleton.

KAPPA ALPHA THETA

Shelley Smith, from left, Mattie Cobb, Tricia Cobb and Barbara Tom Jowell.

SECOND TUESDAY CLUB

Karen Neinast, left, and Iris Foster.

IDELWILD DEBUTANTE

Haley Huffines.

HALEY LIBRARY

One of the most enjoyable parties of the holiday season is the Haley Memorial Library & History Center's Christmas cocktail buffet.

Attendees at the Dec. 10 event had the opportunity to view an exhibit of works from the Houston-based gallery, William Reaves Fine Art. It featured many of the state's most prominent early and contemporary artists.

Greeting guests were Brian McLaughlin, chairman of the library's board of trustees, and library director Pat McDaniel.

The partygoers included Melanie and Lea Crump, Susannah and Briggs Donaldson, Carolyn Roden, Merle Haag, Nita Helmer, Martha and Dan Kallus, Claire and Jim Woodcock, Anne and Tom Hyde, Judy and Bill Jackson and Margaret and James Purvis.

'WIDDERS' AND ORPHANS DINNER

Bill Pennebaker, who recently celebrated his 96th birthday, was warmly welcomed by old friends at Mary Lou Cassidy's annual "Widders" and Orphans Dinner at her home on Christmas Eve. The dinner party is for friends who don't have family in town for the holidays.

Pennebaker, who was a longtime partner in the Stubbeman, McRae, Sealy, Laughlin & Browder law firm, is moving back to Midland after residing in Charleston, S.C., for the past several years.

He was accompanied to the party by his daughter and son-in-law, Mary and Jim Truitt, of Midland and Dallas.

Among others sharing in the evening's festivities were Shirley Qualia, Peggy and Doyle Jones, Marilyn Allen, Ruth and Bob Price, Robin Richey and her husband, Gary Brednich, Mary Ann McRae and John Meyer, Brigitta Hoehn, her son, Frank Hoehn, and Karen Alexander.

PI BETA PHI ALUMNAE

The Midland Pi Beta Phi Alumnae Club hosted its traditional Gathering of Angels mother-daughter Christmas tea on Dec. 19 at the home of Kim Carleton.

Co-hostesses were Mara Barham and Kathy Wallace.

Among those in attendance were Gladys Hickman with her granddaughters, Libby Norwood, an active member at the University of Oklahoma, and Carly Norwood, Texas Tech active Caroline Steger with her mother, Lisa Steger; University of Texas active Joanie Ferguson with her mother, Becky Ferguson, and grandmother, Joan Baskin; Patti LaForce and daughter, Cliffy Beal; and the hostess' daughters, UT active McKenzie Carlton and Madison Carleton.

MCC LADIES ASSOCIATION

As is tradition, Satin Strings from Permian High School entertained at the Midland Country Club Ladies Association's December luncheon.

The elite ensemble strolled among the tables and often kneeled at various tables to serenade the women seated there. Their program, which included classical, country and Christmas pieces, began as it always does with Johann Pachelbel's beautiful "Canon in D" and ended on a festive note with "We Wish You a Merry Christmas."

Director Todd Berridge said the group has appeared at a number of prestigious events, including three presidential inaugurations; a D-day observance at Normandy, France; a governor's inauguration in Chihuahua, Mexico; and a St. Patrick's Day parade in Dublin, Ireland. Yet to come are appearances at Pearl Harbor and a Pan American celebration.

Outgoing president, Audrey Curry, recognized the past presidents.

Door prize winner was Denise Hampton. Among others seen in the crowd were Laura Earl with her daughter, Lillian; Mauri Scharbauer with daughter Claire; Diane Ham and daughter, Andy; Sarah Grimes, Pam Humes, Ellen Hinson, Susie Burnett and Tommie Strack.

SECOND TUESDAY CLUB

Close to 94 members of the Junior League's Second Tuesday Club gathered for brunch Dec. 10 at the home of Iris Foster. The event extended into the lunch hour and working women stopped by to visit with sustaining league members ranging in age from 40 to 82.

Shannon Laning, daughter of co-hostess Colleen McLane, catered the affair and provided an edible Christmas present centerpiece/door prize.

Other hostesses included Joan Baskin, Cheryl Behrmann, Kitty Chalfant, Gretchen Davis, Janis Dickeson, AnnaRee Downing, Tina Hood, Cindi Mladenka, Karen Neinast, Louan Rogers, Debra Westmoreland and Wendy Wheelis.

ZETA TAU ALPHA ALUMNAE

Zeta Tau Alpha sorority alumnae, their daughters and granddaughters, as well as collegiate members, gathered for the group's annual Christmas tea on Dec. 15 at the home of President Nancy Rasnick.

New Texas A&M initiate Jennifer Ryan and returning Midlander, Dr. Kimberly MacFerran, were newcomers this year.

The attendees brought toys for Casa de Amigos to distribute to children in low-income homes.

DALLAS DEBUTANTE

Haley Huffines, granddaughter of Midlander Barbara Hartwell, made her debut in Dallas. She was one of three young women presented by the Idlewild Club at its 126th annual ball Nov. 23 at the Anatole. She is the daughter of Holly and Phillip Huffines, of Dallas.

Huffines was honored by her parents Saturday night at a ball at the Dallas Country Club. There was a special performance by Three Dog Night.

Huffines' grandmother and her aunt, Milby Hartwell, and Hartwell's fiancé, Duane Bess, both of San Antonio, were among the guests at both events.

The Idlewild Club was founded in 1884 by seven men to present young women to Dallas society.

KAPPA ALPHA THETA ALUMNAE

Alumnae of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority hosted their annual mother-daughter Christmas tea on Dec. 21 at the home of Jami Haest.

President Mikell Abney was accompanied to the event by her daughter, Miles. Other guests included Alison Dalton and daughter, Slater; Elizabeth Moore and daughter, Claire; the hostess' daughter, Lexi Haest, an active member at the University of Oklahoma; Shelley Smith with her mother, Barbara Tom Jowell, sister, Tricia Cobb and niece, Mattie Cobb, an OU active; Ashley Collier and her mother, Kim Collier; Alison King and daughter, Clare; Avary Hyden, an active at Texas Tech University; Shannon Goldapp and daughter, Emery; Emily Spencer, an active at Texas A&M University; and Shel Anderson and daughter, Margaret Ann.

BALLROOM DANCING

Elegance Ballroom hosted a Christmas Show on Dec. 13 at its Garfield Street location. The dance studio hosts events and offers instruction in a variety of dance styles. For more information, go to eleganceballroommidland.com.

Photos by Mary Powers

MONDAY PRIME TIME — JANUARY 6, 2014

FOR COMPLETE INFORMATION PLEASE CHECK MOVIE LISTINGS

	C	S	P	C	W	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
BROADCAST	KMID	ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	The Bachelor Former Bachelor Sean Lowe gives Juan Pablo some tips. (SP) (N)				Castle "Under Fire". (N)		KMID News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) News Nightline
	KOSA	CBS	7	7	7	7	7	7 News	Ent. Tonight	2 Broke Girls	Mom	Hostages "Suspicious Minds/ Endgame" Duncan discovers Sandrine's betrayal. (F) (N)				CBS 7 News	(:35) Letterman Lena Dunham, Brandy Clark	(:35) Late Late
	KWWT	CW	5	14		5	14	Sein. "The Cartoon"	Rules of Engage.	Hart of "Who Says You Can't Go Home"		Beauty and the Beast "Who Am I?"		Rules of Engage.	Sein. "The Movie"	Commu-nity	Commu-nity	That '70s Show	That '70s Show
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	KPBT	PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Antiques Roadshow "Boise (Hour One)" (N)		Antiques Roadshow "Tulsa (Hour One)"		Independent Lens "The Invisible War"		Sky Island	BBC News	Tavis Smiley
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	PLEX				96			(:20) ★★ Bridge of Time ('96, Adv) Susan Dey,		★ The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus				(:05)	★★ Kids in America		Movie		
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	BET		58	26		40		★ Kingdom Come ('11, Doc/Dra) Selma Blair.						★★ Deliver Us from Eva Gabrielle Union.				Wendy Williams	
	BRAVO		65	63		41		Beverly Hills		Beverly Hills (N)		Vanderpump R. (N)		Beverly Hills		Watch (N)	Beverly Hills		VanderR
	CNBC		46	45		39	72	The Kudlow Report		American Greed		Greed "Shipwrecked"		American Greed		Mad Money		American Greed	
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	DISNEY		56	27	36	25	36	GoodLuck	Dog Blog	Jessie		★★ College Road Trip		Liv/Mad	GoodLuck	Austin	GoodLuck	GoodLuck	GoodLuck
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	FOOD		64	59	27	68	54	Guy's Grocery Games		Diners, Drive-Ins (N)		Rachael vs. Guy (N)		Diners (N)	M. Diners	Diners...	Diners...	Rachael vs. Guy	
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	HALLMARK		54	49	58		34	Good Wife "Infamy"		The Good Wife		Good Wife "Bad"		Frasier	Frasier'	Frasier	Frasier	G. Girls	G. Girls
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	LIFETIME		28	25	25	28	48	Hoarders "Debra and Patty"		Hoarders "Adella/ Teri"		Hoarders "Verna/ Joanne"		Hoarders "Jim/ Susan"		Hoarders "Merlene/ Jeff"		Hoarders "Adella/ Teri"	
	MSNBC		47	51		49	73	Hardball		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow	
	NBCSN		38	39				Curling Olympic Trials								IIHF Hockey Olympic Trials USA/Can.			
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	SPIKE		30	22	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Jail	Jail	Jail
	SYFY		66	64	41	57	67	(5:00) ★ The Chronicles of Narn...		★★★ Stargate ('94, Sci-Fi) James Spader, Kurt Russell.						★★★ Star Trek: Nemesis			
	TBS		25	11	44	66	41	Seinfeld	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Conan (N)		The Office	Conan
	TCM		41	61	24	63	66	(5:00) ★ Lady in the ...		Private Screenings				★★★★ The Third Man Joseph Cotten.			Private Screenings		
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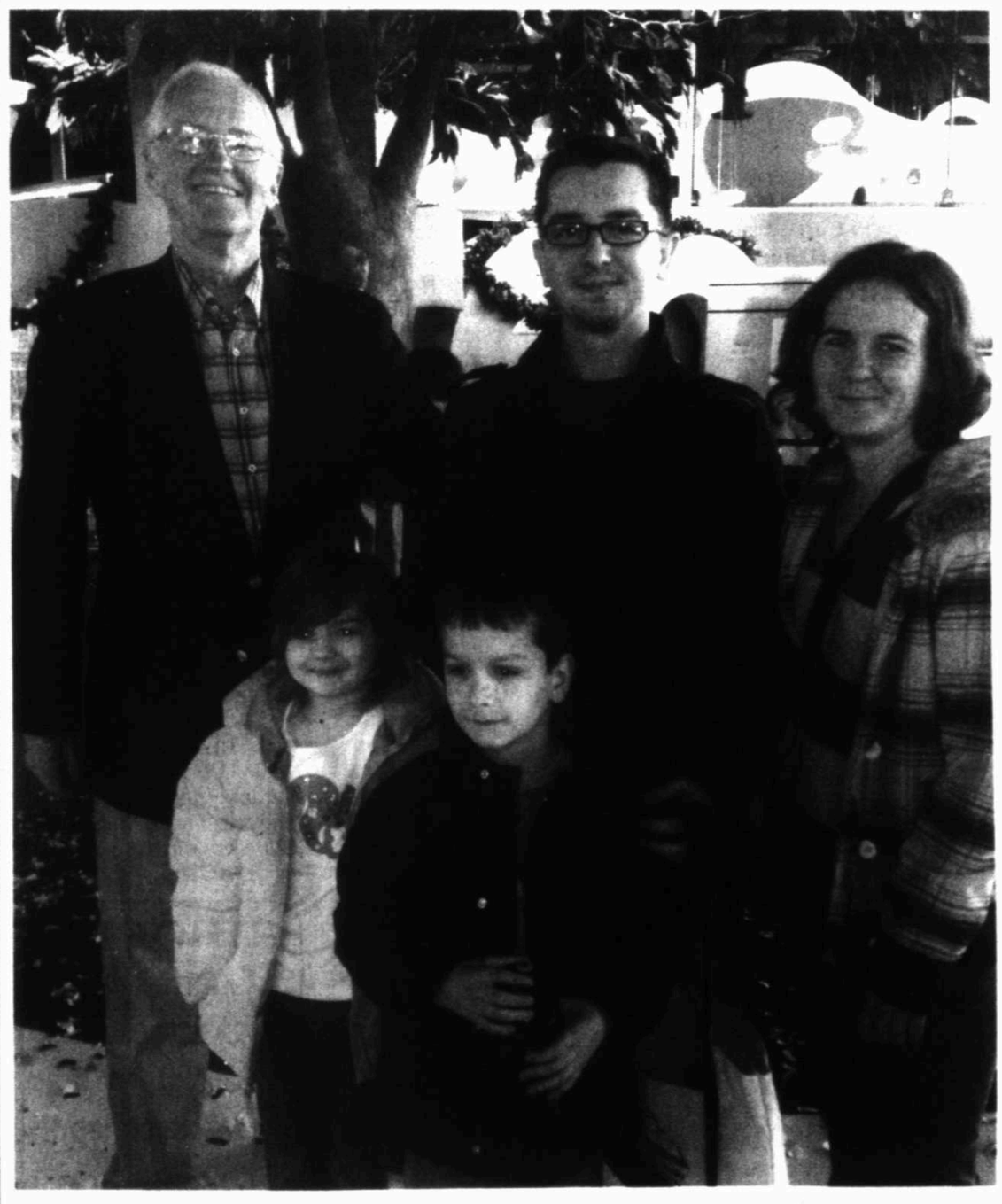
	TLC		51	33	32	38	52	Bakery Boss "Oteri's Italian Bakery"		Cake Boss	Cake Boss	Cake Boss (N)	Cake Boss (N)	Bakery Boss "Baked Euphoria" (N)		Cake Boss	Cake Boss	Bakery Boss "Baked Euphoria"	
	TNT		24	23	40	26	50	Castle "Under the Influence"		Major Crimes "Year-End Blowout"		Major Crimes "Return to Sender"		Rizzoli "Seventeen Ain't So Sweet"		Major Crimes "Return to Sender"		Law & Order "Genius"	
	TVLAND		49	48	35	54	35	Griffith	A. Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	The Exes	Kirstie
	USA		26	30	42	27	49	NCIS: Los Angeles "Breach"		WWE Monday Night Raw						(:05) NCIS: Los Angeles "Purity"		(:05) NCIS: LA "Resurrection"	
	WGN		19	18				America's Funniest Home Videos		America's Funniest Home Videos		America's Funniest Home Videos		WGN News at Nine		Met Your Mother	Rules "Play Ball"	Rules "Baked"	Parks and Rec



LIBRARY PATRONS

Members of the Atkins family, seen with County Judge Mike Bradford, left, were showered with confetti when they entered the Midland County Public Library Centennial branch on Dec. 14. The Midlanders were being recognized as the 147,000th patron to visit the branch since it opened in April.

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MEETINGS CALENDAR

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Support groups

■ Midland Parkinson Support Group, 6:30 p.m. the first Monday, HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital, 699-6640.

■ for miscarriage grief recovery, call 570-5935.

■ for post-abortion healing, call 570-5935.

■ survivors of sexual abuse; interactive Bible study to help deal with the consequences of sexual abuse meets Tuesdays. Child care available; House of Hope, 570 5935.

■ Chronic fatigue fibromyalgia syndromes support group meets noon the second Thursday at Rays of Hope Grief Center; 528-3500.

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

■ A support group for those with diabetes or at risk for diabetes, 11:30 a.m. the first Saturday, Furr's Cafeteria; 570-9412.

■ Midland Chapter of NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness), 7 p.m. the first and third Tuesdays, First Presbyterian Church (Koinonoa Room); Judith Craig, 683-3648.

■ West Texas Amputee Support Group, 11 a.m. third Saturday, HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital; 550-4371.

■ ODESSA — Tourettes syndrome support group, 2 p.m. second Sunday, Neuroscience Institute, 3610 22nd St.; Pam Weaks, 806-438-6601, pzweaks@yahoo.com, or Rene Howell, 806-549-7788.

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

■ A confidential peer-to-peer support gathering for combat veterans, first, third and fifth Tuesdays at Midland College Cogdell Center, 201 Florida Ave.; Steve Cree, 770-7469.

■ The Knot Adoption Support Group, 11:30 a.m. second and fourth Wednesdays at First Presbyterian Church; Kathy Hagler, Kathy@WTIE.net

■ Midland Memorial Hospital's Better Breathing Club meets 11:30 a.m. second Tuesday at Midland Memorial Hospital West Campus; 522-2273 or Joanna at 682-4229.

■ PFLAG Odessa (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians & Gays), 7 p.m. the second Monday (except on holidays), Alternative Life Solutions Counseling, 2458 E. 11th St., Odessa; 559-5909 or 432-337-3684, pflagodessa@yahoo.com or www.pflagodessa.weebly.com.

■ Peer to Peer support group for veterans, active duty, guard, reserves and their families, 6 p.m. Tuesdays, Permian Basin Community Center, 401 E. Illinois Ave., Suite 403; Wil Hoggard, 213-5342, william.hoggard@wtcmhmr.org.

■ Parent Quest, for parents of special-needs children, meets 6-8 p.m. the first Tuesday at First Christian Church. For more information, contact Malissa Roach, SHARE program coordinator, at 349-1069.

■ Stroke Support Group meets noon fourth Friday at Midland Memorial Hospital, West Campus private dining room. For more information, call 221-1677 for any questions.

■ Midland Odessa Chapter of the United Ostomy Association , 2:30 p.m. third Sunday, Midland Memorial Hospital West Campus.

■ Permian Basin Community Service Organization (for individuals, organizations or businesses that provide services to improve quality of life), 11:45 a.m. second Thursday, Mi Piaci Italian Restaurant, 2607 N. Grandview Ave., Odessa; 432-210-4234.

Hobbies and activities

■ Permian Basin Needle Arts Chapter of Embroiderer's Guild of America, 7 p.m. first Thursday, Barnes & Noble; Paula Millhollon, 520-3250.

■ Midland Amateur Radio Club, 7:30 p.m., second and fourth Mondays, clubhouse, Loop 250 and Lamesa Road; 561-9729.

■ Permian Basin Coin and Stamp Club, 7p.m. second Tuesday, Michael's Charcoal Grill; Dave Taylor;559-9890 or www.midlandcoins.com.

■ Midland Gem and Mineral Society, 7 p.m.fourth Thursday at Sibley Nature Center; 687-6467.

■ Permian Basin Chess Club, 6 p.m.Thursdays at University of Texas of the Permian Basin student union; Steve Dudley, 556-1920; Brian Farrell, 288-7141; pbcc.50gigs.net; odessachess@cableone.net.

■ Classic Movie Club, 7 p.m., Tuesdays, Cigar Frog's, 216 N. Main St.; 687-1671.

■ Comanche Trails Wood Turners, 10 a.m. the second Saturday; 682-1700.

■ High Sky Squares, second Saturday, M-Squarena Square Dance Hall, 2800 W. CR 130, 7:30 - 9:30 pm. 685-3226, 697-1830, www.pbsrda.com.

■ Permian Basin Dance Club, 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, St. Stephen's Catholic Church; cost is $5 for members, $6 for non-members; 520-4343.

■ Midland Walkabout Volksport Club, 5 p.m. third Sunday, First Presbyterian Church; 687-2588.

■ Oops Alley Clowns of West Texas; third Thursday; 520-3512.

■ American Legion Post No. 19, 6:30 p.m. second Tuesday, 501 Veterans Airpark Lane; 682-5511.

■ ACT IX, 6:30 p.m. second Tuesday, Cole Theater; Carolyn Schoolcraft, 685-7416.

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■ Uptown Midland BPW, noon, second and fourth Wednesdays, Petroleum Club; Glenda Knox, 686-2819.

■ Children's Service League, 9:30 a.m. first Thursday at Midland Children's Rehabilitation Center; Brooke Mueller, 498-2053

■ Newcomers Club, 10 a.m. first Thursday; Stephanie Sparkman at 684-8065 or Freida Robertson at 218-7239.

■ Midland Optimist Club, noon Tuesdays, Abuelo's, 4610 N. Garfield St.; 685-7486.

■ TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 6:30 p.m. Thursdays, Christian Church of Midland, 2609 Neely Ave.; weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. 694-8643

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■ Sons of Confederate Veterans, Dunn-Holt-Mid-kiff Camp No. 1441, 7 p.m. third Tuesday, Fairmont Park Church of Christ Activities Annex; Tom Owens, tmowens44@juno.com or 697-6955.

■ American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 19, 6:30 p.m. third Tuesday, 501 Veterans Airpark Lane; 682-5511.

■ The Midland Blue Star Military Family, 7 p.m. second Thursday, Koinonia Room at First Presbyterian Church; Doc Weathers 631-7646 or docweathers@suddenlink.net.

■ Tall City VFW Post 7208, 1303 E. Taylor, bingo games 7 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays.

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Toastmasters Clubs

■ Slyker's Professional Toastmasters Club, 10 a.m. second and fourth Saturdays, Texas Tech University Health Science Building, Room 1C12 (west side), 800 W. Fourthth St., Odessa; 522-2716, marken1986-slykers1@yahoo.com, http://slykersprofessionaltoastmastersclub.blogspot.com.

■ Pop-Up Toasters Toastmasters Club., 6:30 a.m. Tuesdays at First Presbyterian Church's Family Life Center - Room 228, 800 W. Texas Ave.; 432-242-2061 or popuptoasters@gmail.com.

■ Permian Toastmasters 1509, noon Fridays at Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, 208 S. Marienfeld; Celeste Perez, 682-2960 or celeste@midlandhcc.com.

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Alcoholics Anonymous — hotline 580-7868.

■ Serenity Group, 8 p.m. daily, 3101 N. A St., Building C; 685-3100.

■ 710 Group, 7 a.m., noon and 8 p.m. Wednesdays, 710 Ohio Ave.; 682-8162.

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BRIDGE

PERMIAN BRIDGE CLUB

Dec. 9
Roberta Bacon-Bob Bacon, Aggie Anguish-Ricki Perry, Jean Pistole-Helen South, Helen Davis-Brenda Leonard, Kay Arrell-Liza Philpy

Dec. 10
Martha Poss-Perry, Tommie Strack-South, Linda Aaron-Belle Harris, Janette Kuzmich-Patti Heard, Betty Marlow-Bitsy Loewenstein

Dec. 11
Flo Curry-Marlene Blumentritt, Ann Parish-Harris, Ann Servatius-Anguish, Marilyn Higgins-Dorothy Brenneman

Dec. 12
Debra Jones-Mike Robinson-Frances Levin-Linda Scarpelli; Kelly Murphy-Harris-Amanda Shaw-Gloria Jackson; Parish-Brenneman-Bill Dent-Gregory Bartha

Dec. 13
Betty Dickerson-Bob Baker, Sandy Thomas-Strack, B. Bacon-Servatius, Anguish-South, Peggy Cook-Frances Levin, Sue Marshall-Janet Stoltz, Nancy Liberty-Kuzmich, Leonard-Davis

Dec. 15
Blumentritt-Curry, Anguish-Perry, Deborah Brookins-K.C. Evans, Marilyn Matthews-Thomas, South-Brenneman, Philpy-Harris, Paula Baggett-Betty Fernandez, Carol Hastings-Richard Stein

Dec. 16
Anguish-Ann Servatius, Leonard-Pistole, R. Bacon-B. Bacon, Gloria Jackson-Kay Sewell, Dorothy Brenneman-Stein, Harris-Philpy

Dec. 17
Anguish-Servatius, Gloria Crites-Pistole, Jane Myers-Curry, Patti Witt-Dorothy Baird, Marilyn Higgins-Brenda Brauner, Davis-Leonard

Dec. 18
Charlie Grimes-Servatius, Anguish-Pistole, Marlene Blumentritt-Curry-R. Bacon-B. Bacon, Ann Parish-Brenneman, Higgins-Jackson

Dec. 19
Bill Dent-Grimes, Brauner-Servatius, Georgia Temple-Higgins, Arrell-Jackson, Don Troy-Sewell

Dec. 20
Curry-Myers, Stoltz-Anguish, Vangie Lindsey-Strack, Perry-Thomas, Frances Mills-Sally Reeder

Dec. 22
South-Brenneman, Pistole-Servatius, B. Bacon-Grimes, Marilyn Matthews-Thomas, Gregory Bartha-Frances Levin, Paula Baggett-Fleta Pruett

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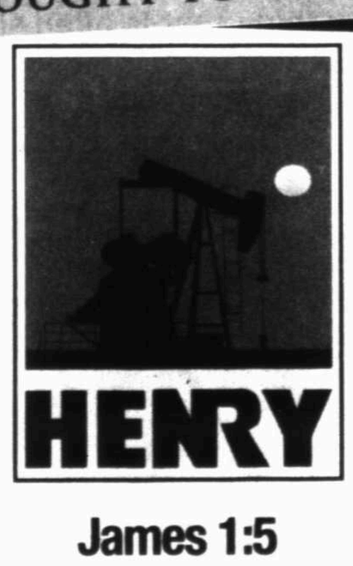

James 1:5

If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him.

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PAID CONTENT

To appear here call Paul Wiseman at 697-7468 or your Midland Reporter-Telegram account executive at 682-5311.

Mom: After In Balance, ADHD student's behavior 'drastically improved'

Third grader Lucas Todd was diagnosed with ADHD about two years ago. The condition made it hard for him to focus at school or at home. He was easily distracted, couldn't sit still and, even though he was very smart, his grades were "all over the map" according to his mom, Jami Todd.

As with most learning disorders, this one affected the entire family, keeping Lucas on task for doing homework, needing to read things to him over and over so he could get it, and much more.

He was on medication, which helped only a little.

One day, Jami's mom called and told her she had read about the In Balance program in the Midland Reporter-Telegram and it sounded like it was worth a try.

Skeptical at first about how a program that involved balancing on a beam while catching bean bag could have anything to do with ADHD, Jami was ready to try just about anything.

Today, she is *very* glad she did.

"Lucas's behavior has drastically improved," she says, adding, "He's not the same person." Having started In Balance at the beginning of the school year, his new teachers had not seen him before in order to note improvement, but Jami said they had none of the complaints that teachers had had in previous years.

Now able to focus his intelligence on schoolwork, Lucas is making straight As and is on the Honor Roll at school.

Jami was most surprised that, in addition to helping his ADHD, the In Balance program improved his handwriting.

Lucas says the sessions with In Balance owner Missy Dwyer are fun and challenging, and he really enjoyed going to In Balance. "We were sad to see it come to an end," Jami lamented.

Using balancing activities to stimulate neurons in the brain, In Balance helps the brain process information better and allows the two hemispheres to work together more efficiently. The program helps people with ADD, ADHD, dyslexia, reading comprehension, brain injuries, Autism and fall risk, among others. It is effective for virtually every age group—not just for children.

The Todds are so pleased with In Balance and the way it helped Lucas, they have told a number of others, including family members.

"It's great," says Jami. "We used to focus on behavior, now we focus on academics."

In Balance Vestibular Therapy is located at 3303 N. Midkiff Ste. 166, in the San Miguel Atrium. The phone number is 685-3556.

Diagnosed with ADHD, third grader Lucas Todd and his family can now focus on things other than behavior after his 12-week In Balance session. Call Missy Dwyer at 685-3556 to learn how In Balance can help you or your child with learning issues.

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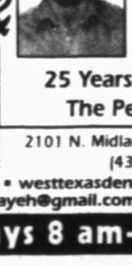

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ADHD Student 'A lot calmer now'

"He is a lot calmer now, and his temper is much better. And when we're in church, he sits still now."

Dalen Holt's Mom, Linda

The In Balance program uses balance therapy to increase neural networks, improving the brain's ability to process data, making progress with learning disorders like ADD/ADHD, dyslexia, brain injuries, strokes and more.

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Strong says he's excited to take over Texas

By Jim Vertuno
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Charlie Strong left a Louisville program that needed to punch its way into the national spotlight for the Texas Longhorns, who live smack in the middle with their enormous wealth, swagger, political intrigue and championship expectations.

And that's just the off-the-field stuff.

On the field, he inherits a team mired in mediocrity with a 30-21 record over the last four years, but still talented enough to come within 30 minutes of winning a share of the 2013 Big 12 title.

Strong will be introduced as the Texas football coach today. In a statement released by the school Sunday, Strong said he was excited to be taking over one of the "premier programs" in the country.

"Texas is one of those places that is always on your radar and a program anyone would dream of being a part of because you have a chance to compete on a national level every year," Strong said. "It's special because it has such great history, pride, tradition and passion for football."

In the 53-year-old Strong — the first black head coach of a men's program at Texas — new athletic director Steve Patterson landed a coach whose teams went 23-3 the last two years, including a BCS bowl win over Florida and a blowout of Miami to end the 2013 season in the Russell Athletic Bowl.

Strong

Florida State coach Jimbo Fisher, who has the No. 1 Seminoles in Monday night's national title game, praised the hire. Fisher was previously considered a possible target for Texas and would have faced Strong in the ACC when Louisville moves to that league next season.

"I think he's done a tremendous job at Louisville, turning those guys around," Fisher said Sunday. "I think Charlie's an excellent coach."

Strong succeeded at a school that had to fight its way onto the national radar even in the good years. At Texas, the bad years draw just as much attention as the good ones, and college football will be watching to see how well he can unite a powerhouse program with a discontented fan base aching to return to the national elite.

And how quickly he can win a lot of games.

Strong's predecessor did that. Over 16 years, Mack Brown had 158 victories, and in 2005 he won Texas' first undisputed national title in 36 years. From 2000-09, Texas averaged more than 10 wins a season and played in four BCS bowls, winning three.

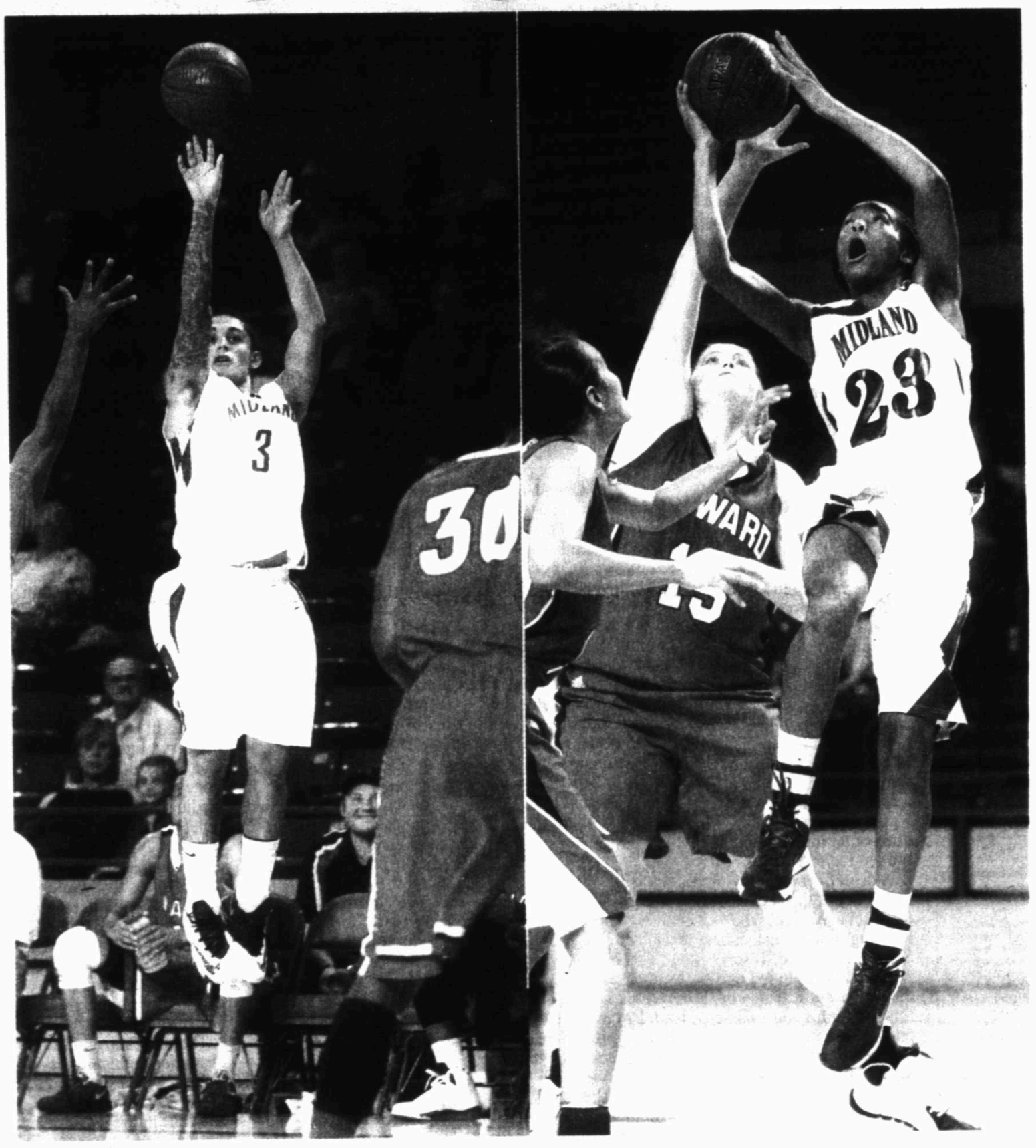
That success helped spur unprecedented financial growth. Texas ranks as the wealthiest athletic program in the country. A partnership with ESPN created the Longhorn Network, a 20-year deal worth at least $300 million to the university.

But for all its wealth, Texas has struggled to deliver a championship legacy that lives up its sense of grandeur.

Brown won just two Big 12 titles, while his archrival across his northern border, Bob Stoops at Oklahoma, won eight. Texas' lone national championship in 44 years pales in comparison to Alabama's three from 2009-12.

And the recent drop-off that started with a 5-7 record in 2010 got ugly by the end. When Texas started last season 1-2, some Texas fans even booed a public service announcement from Brown encouraging donations to charities.

Returning to action



Midland College men's basketball player Daniel Hernandez (3), left photo, shoots a 3-pointer. Midland College women's player Mary Savoy (23), right photo, goes up for a shot during the men's and women's Dec. 4 games against Howard College at Chaparral Center. The Chaparrals and Lady Chaparrals return to WJCAC action today when they take on Frank Phillips College. See capsules for today's games on **Page 2C.**

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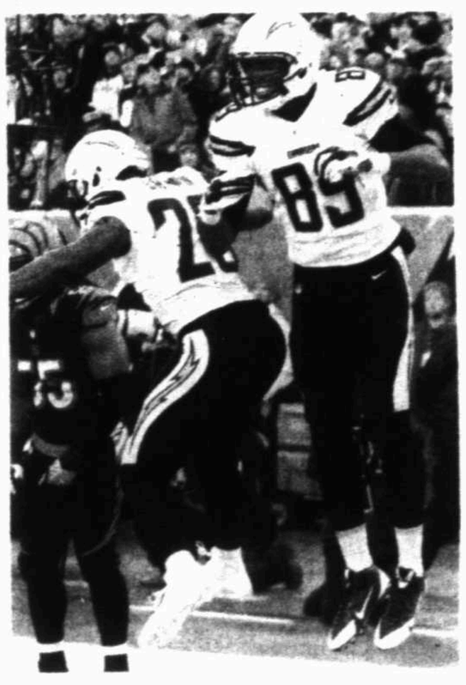
Tom Uhlman/AP

San Diego Chargers tight end Ladarius Green (89) celebrates his 4-yard touchdown catch against the Cincinnati Bengals with running back Ronnie Brown (23) in the second half of Sunday's wild-card playoff game in Cincinnati.

Chargers rally for win over Bengals

Chargers	27
Bengals	10

By Joe Kay
Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Dump it off to the running back, hand it off, let the field goal kicker take it from there.

Philip Rivers didn't have to do a whole lot to get a playoff win. Not with the way San Diego's defense was dominating.

And not with the way Andy Dalton was coming apart in the playoffs again.

The Chargers took advantage of Dalton's three turnovers in the second half on Sunday, pulling away to a 27-10 victory that extended San Diego's late-season surge and pushed the Bengals' postseason misery to record levels.

With Rivers making accurate throws in the chilling rain, the Chargers (10-7) won their fifth in a row, beating the last team that had knocked them off. They'll play next Sunday in Denver, which has the AFC's top seed.

The Chargers lost at home to the Broncos 28-20 on Nov. 10, then went to Denver and got a rejuvenating 27-20 victory on Dec. 12 that gave them momentum.

"We will be confident," said Rivers, who was 12 of 16 for 128 yards with a touchdown and no interceptions on a rainy, 40-degree afternoon. "We've

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San Francisco edges Green Bay in frigid wild-card game

By Genaro C. Armas
Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Home or away. Late summer or during one of the coldest nights of the year.

Doesn't matter where or when — the San Francisco 49ers keep figuring out how to beat the Green Bay Packers.

Phil Dawson kicked a 33-yard field goal as time expired, and Colin Kaepernick threw for 227 yards and ran for another 98 to lead the 49ers past the Packers 23-20 on Sunday night in a frigid NFC wild-card game.

In a back-and-forth fourth quarter, the 49ers (13-4) threw the final punch. Kaepernick escaped a blitz on third-and-8 and scrambled for an 11-yard gain to the 27 with 1:13 left.

"Just trying to figure out a way to get that first down," Kaepernick said. "Had a play called, we didn't get the look that we wanted. It worked out for us."

49ers	23
Packers	20

Dawson nailed the winning kick five plays later — but only after nearly being blocked by edge rusher Davon House. He was whistled for offsides on the play, but the 49ers declined the penalty with the win in hand.

The defending NFC champions came away with a huge win in conditions that resembled a meat locker. It was 5 degrees at kickoff, and the winds made it feel like minus-10.

San Francisco plays at Carolina next Sunday in the divisional round.

"They got us the first time," linebacker NaVarro Bowman said, referring to Carolina's 10-9 win on Nov. 10. "What's on our minds is to get them now. It's the playoffs. Win or go home."

Mason Crosby's 24-yard field goal tied it at 20 for the Packers (8-8-1) with 5:06 left before the 49ers' final drive.

Until then, Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers did his best to turn into "Captain Comeback" again. After a slow first quarter, Rodgers finished 17 of 26 for 177 yards and touchdown.

Kaepernick connected with a spinning Vernon Davis down the seam for a 28-yard touchdown pass with

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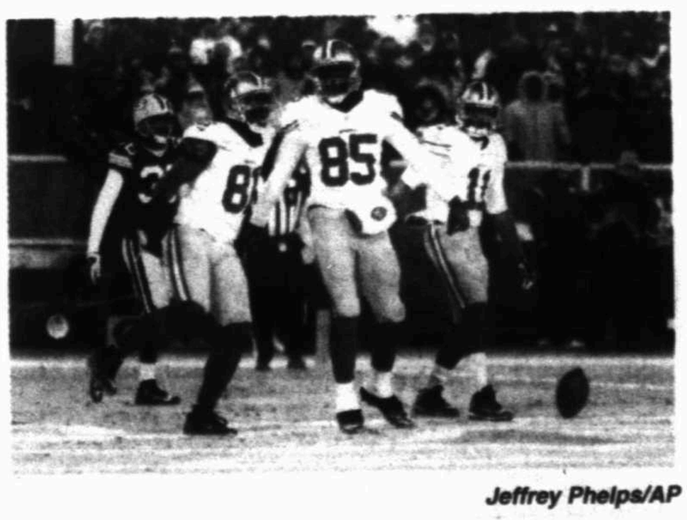
Jeffrey Phelps/AP

San Francisco tight end Vernon Davis (85) celebrates a touchdown catch with wide receiver Anquan Boldin (81) during the second half of Sunday's NFL wild-card playoff game in Green Bay, Wis.

DAILYRUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

WHAT'S ON TV

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

BCS National Championship, Florida St. vs. Auburn, 7:30 p.m., ESPN, ESPN2, ESPN Classic and ESPNEWS

GOLF

PGA Tour, Tournament of Champions, final round, 3 p.m., TGC

NHL

Dallas at N.Y. Islanders, 6 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest

WHAT'S ON DECK

JUNIOR COLLEGE MEN'S BASKETBALL

Frank Phillips at MC, 7:45 p.m.

JUNIOR COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Frank Phillips at MC, 5:45 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL BOY'S BASKETBALL

Andrews at Big Spring, 7:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

LOS ANGELES CLIPPERS — Waived G Maalik Wayns.

PHILADELPHIA 76ERS — Assigned G Elliot Williams to Delaware (NBADL).

FOOTBALL

National Football League

NFL — Fined Seattle RB Marshawn Lynch $50,000 for violating the league's media policy.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

DALLAS STARS — Reassigned F Chris Mueller to Texas (AHL).

LOS ANGELES KINGS — Assigned G Martin Jones to Manchester (AHL).

NEW YORK RANGERS — Assigned D Conor Allen to Hartford (AHL).

American Hockey League

SPRINGFIELD FALCONS — Returned G Mike Clemente to Evansville (ECHL). Reassigned D Thomas Larkin to Evansville.

COLLEGE

CHOWAN — Named Chris Whalley men's soccer coach.

TEXAS — Named Charlie Strong football coach.

GLANTZ-CULVER LINE

NFL

Saturday

FAVORITE	OPEN	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
at Seattle	8 1/2	8 1/2	(48)	New Orleans
at New England	7 1/2	7 1/2	(53)	Indianapolis

Sunday

FAVORITE	OPEN	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
San Francisco	1	1	(43 1/2)	at Carolina
at Denver	9 1/2	10	(55)	San Diego

COLLEGE

Today

BCS National Championship

At Pasadena, Calif.

FAVORITE	OPEN	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
Florida St.	9 1/2	10	(67)	Auburn

NHL STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	42	28	12	2	58	124	89
Tampa Bay	42	25	13	4	54	119	100
Montreal	43	24	14	5	53	112	102
Detroit	43	19	14	10	48	114	121
Toronto	43	21	17	5	47	119	127
Ottawa	44	19	18	7	45	126	141
Florida	42	16	20	6	38	101	134
Buffalo	42	12	26	4	28	74	118

Metropolitan Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	44	31	12	1	63	142	103
Philadelphia	42	21	17	4	46	111	116
Washington	42	20	16	6	46	128	128
Carolina	43	18	16	9	45	105	124
N.Y. Rangers	43	21	20	2	44	105	115
New Jersey	43	17	18	8	42	101	110
Columbus	42	18	20	4	40	113	123
N.Y. Islanders	43	14	22	7	35	112	143

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Chicago	45	29	7	9	67	167	124
St. Louis	41	29	7	5	63	150	95
Colorado	41	26	11	4	56	120	104
Minnesota	44	22	17	5	49	106	113
Dallas	41	20	14	7	47	120	124
Winnipeg	45	19	21	5	43	123	135
Nashville	43	18	19	6	42	102	129

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Anaheim	44	31	8	5	67	146	111
San Jose	43	27	10	6	60	142	111
Los Angeles	43	26	13	4	56	113	89
Vancouver	44	23	13	8	54	117	108
Phoenix	41	20	12	9	49	123	127
Calgary	41	14	21	6	34	96	128
Edmonton	45	14	26	5	33	117	156

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

Sunday's Scores

San Jose 3, Chicago 2, SO

Pittsburgh 6, Winnipeg 5

Carolina 2, Nashville 1

Edmonton 5, Tampa Bay 3

Anaheim 4, Vancouver 3, OT

Today's Games

Dallas at N.Y. Islanders, 6 p.m.

Columbus at N.Y. Rangers, 6 p.m.

Florida at Montreal, 6:30 p.m.

Calgary at Colorado, 8 p.m.

SKI REPORT

ROCKIES

Colorado

Arapahoe Basin — Sun 5:37 am 4 new powder machine groomed 40 - 40 base 56 of 109 trails 45% open 465 acres 7 of 8 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p

Aspen Highlands — Sun 7:57 am 5 new powder machine groomed 40 - 54 base 118 of 124 trails 96% open 1040 acres 5 of 5 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-3:30p Sat/Sun 9a-3:30p

Aspen Mountain — Sun 7:54 am 6 new powder machine groomed 32 - 35 base 76 of 76 trails 100% open 675 acres 6 of 8 lifts sm Mon-Fri 9a-3:30p Sat/Sun 9a-3:30p

Beaver Creek — Sun 8:25 am 10 new powder machine groomed 44 - 44 base 140 of 150 trails 94% open 1641 acres, 24 of 25 lifts Mon-Fri 8:30a-3:30p Sat/Sun 8:30a-3:30p

Breckenridge — Sun 7:34 am 13 new powder machine groomed 55 - 55 base 157 of 187 trails 82% open 2382 acres 33 of 34 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Buttermilk — Sun 7:52 am 5 new powder machine groomed 27 - 29 base 41 of 44 trails 94% open 452 acres 7 of 8 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-3:30p Sat/Sun 9a-3:30p

Copper Mountain — Sun 5:22 am 8 new powder machine groomed 46 - 46 base 133 of 140 trails 94% open 1947 acres 22 of 22 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p

Crested Butte — Sun 5:17 am 6 - 6 new powder machine groomed 43 - 43 base 93 of 121 trails 78% open 892 acres 14 of 15 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat-Sun 9a-4p

Eldora — Sun 5:22 am 6 new packed powder machine groomed 30 - 30 base 36 of 53 trails 68% open 11 of 11 lifts sm Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Irwin — Operating, no details

Kendall Mountain — Operating, no details

Keystone — Sun 7:33 am 6 new powder machine groomed 38 - 38 base 102 of 135 trails 68% open 2155 acres 19 of 20 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Loveland — Sun 7:22 am 3 new powder machine groomed 43 - 43 base 69 of 93 trails 75% open 1084 acres 8 of 9 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p

Monarch — Sun 12:42 pm 1 new powder machine groomed 43 - 43 base 61 of 62 trails 100% open 6 of 6 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Powderhorn — Sun 6:33 am 3 new powder machine groomed 44 - 44 base 33 of 44 trails 90% open 4 of 5 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Purgatory at Durango — Sun 5:08 am packed powder machine groomed 34 - 38 base 87 of 88 trails 100% open 1360 acres 9 of 10 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Silverton Mountain — Sun 6:45 am 8 new powder 40 - 100 base 69 of 69 trails 100% open Thu-Fri 9a-3p Sat/Sun 9a-3p Open Thu-Sun

Ski Cooper — Sun 7:26 am 3 new powder machine groomed 39 - 39 base 35 of 35 trails 100% open 400 acres 4 of 4 lifts Mon-Fri 8a-4p Sat/Sun 8a-4p

Ski Granby Ranch — Sun 9:00 am 1 - 2 new powder machine groomed 22 - 25 base 28 of 41 trails 69% open 360 acres 5 of 5 lifts sm Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat 9a-4p 5p-8p Sun 9a-4p

Ski Hesperus — Operating, no details

Snowmass — Sun 7:53 am 6 new powder machine groomed 32 - 46 base 90 of 94 trails 96% open 3012 acres 15 of 21 lifts Mon-Fri 8:30a-4p Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p

Steamboat — Sun 4:56 am 9 new powder machine groomed 53 - 66 base 164 of 165 trails 100% open 2962 acres 16 of 18 lifts Mon-Thu 8:30a-4p Fri 5:30p-8:30p Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p 5:30p-8:30p

Sunlight — Sun 8:51 am 8 new powder machine groomed 31 - 37 base 67 of 67 trails 100% open 3 of 3 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Telluride — Sun 5:55 am 4 new powder machine groomed 46 - 46 base 87 of 93 trails 94% open 17 of 18 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Vail — Sun 8:23 am 7 new powder machine groomed 40 - 40 base 185 of 193 trails 96% open 4526 acres 30 of 31 lifts Mon-Fri 8:30a-4p Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p

Winter Park — Sun 5:51 am 4 new powder machine groomed 44 - 45 base 127 of 143 trails, 89% open, 2291 acres 23 of 26 lifts sm Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p

Wolf Creek — Sun 6:23 am packed powder machine groomed 57 - 60 base 77 of 77 trails 100% open, 42 miles, 1600 acres, 6 of 7 lifts Mon-Fri: 8:30a-4p Sat/Sun: 8:30p-4p

Ashcroft XC — Sun 2:17 pm 6 new powder machine groomed 30 - 42 base 12 of 20 trails 24 miles Mon-Fri: 9a-4p Sat/Sun: 9a-4p

Aspen/Snowmass XC — Sun 7:28 am 3 new packed powder machine groomed 7 - 10 base 14 of 15 trails, 85 miles Mon-Fri: 7a-5p Sat/Sun 7a-5p

Crested Butte XC — Operating, no details

Devil's Thumb XC — Operating, no details

Gold Run XC — Operating, no details Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Grand Lake XC — Operating, no details

Snow Mountain XC — Operating, no details

Steamboat XC — Operating, no details

Tennessee Pass XC — Operating, no details

Vail Nordic Center — Sat 7:55 am packed powder machine groomed 18 - 48 base 7 of 7 trails 17 miles Mon-Fri 9a-5p Sat/Sun: 9a-5p

Vail Resorts Nordic — Operating, no details

Vista Verde Ranch XC — Operating, no details

New Mexico

Angel Fire — Sun 6:51 am packed powder machine groomed 26 - 26 base 58 of 78 trails 77% open 460 acres 6 of 7 lifts sm Mon-Fri: 9a-8p Sat/Sun 9a-8p

Pajarito — Fri 11:23 am loose granular machine groomed 19 - 19 base 2 of 44 trails 5% open 1 of 7 lifts Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p Open Fri-Sun

Red River — Sun 8:27 am 1 new packed powder machine groomed 21 - 24 base 51 of 57 trails 90% open 7 of 7 lifts sm Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Sandia Peak — Fri 11:25 am packed powder machine groomed 20 - 20 base 34 of 39 trails 88% open 4 of 5 lifts Wed-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p Open Wed-Sun

Sipapu — Sun 7:10 am packed powder machine groomed 18 - 25 base 30 of 41 trails 74% open 160 acres 5 of 5 lifts sm Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Ski Apache — Sun 7:17 am variable machine groomed 15 - 18 base 48 of 55 trails 88% open 525 acres 8 of 10 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Ski Santa Fe — Fri 11:26 am packed powder machine groomed 37 - 37 base 72 of 77 trails 94% open 7 of 7 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Taos — Sun 5:57 am packed powder machine groomed 34 - 36 base 107 of 113 trails 95% open 14 of 14 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Enchanted Forest XC — Sun 7:00 pm packed powder machine groomed 14 - 30 base 40 of 40 trails 35 miles Mon-Fri 9a-4:30p Sat/Sun 9a-4:30p

Utah

Alta — Sun 8:22 am 2 new powder machine groomed 50 - 50 base 104 of 116 trails 90% open 1000 acres 9 of 11 lifts Mon-Fri 9:15a-4:30p Sat/Sun 9:15a-4:30p

Beaver Mountain — Sun 8:24 am packed powder machine groomed 24 - 24 base 48 of 48 trails 100% open 4 of 6 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Brian Head — Sun 8:25 am packed powder machine groomed 27 - 27 base 64 of 71 trails 91% open 9 of 9 lifts Mon-Wed 10a-4p Thu-Fri 10a-9p Sat 9:30a-9p Sun 9:30a-4:30p

Brighton — Sun 8:26 am powder machine groomed 46 - 46 base 28 of 66 trails 43% open 6 of 7 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Canyons — Sun 6:35 am packed powder machine groomed 39 - 39 base 125 of 182 trails 69% open 18 of 19 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Deer Valley — Sun 5:23 am 1 new powder machine groomed 39 - 39 base 89 of 100 trails 88% open 21 of 21 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-4:15p Sat/Sun 9a-4:15p

Eagle Point — Sun 8:28 am packed powder machine groomed 30 - 30 base 33 of 40 trails 83% open 4 of 5 lifts Thu-Fri 9:30a-4:30p Sat/Sun 9:30a-4:30p Open Thu-Sun

Park City — Sun 5:19 am 1 new packed powder machine groomed 34 - 34 base 101 of 116 trails 91% open 16 of 16 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-8p Sat/Sun 9a-8p

Powder Mountain — Sun 8:29 am powder machine groomed 30 - 30 base 26 of 144 trails 19% open 5 of 7 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-9p Sat/Sun 9a-9p

Snowbasin — Sun 5:34 am packed powder machine groomed 40 - 40 base 87 of 104 trails 83% open 8 of 11 lifts Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Snowbird — Sun 8:30 am 3 new powder machine groomed 49 - 49 base 83 of 100 trails 83% open, 13 of 13 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-5p Sat/Sun 9a-5p

Solitude — Sun 8:31 am 1 new powder machine groomed 42 - 42 base 58 of 65 trails 90% open, 8 of 8 lifts, Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Sundance — Sun 4:58 am MG machine groomed 24 - 24 base 33 of 42 trails, 79% open 5 of 5 lifts, sm Mon/Wed/Fri: 9a-9p; Tue/Thu: 9a-4:30p; Sat: 9a-9p Sun: 9a-4:30p

Wolf Mountain — Sun 8:33 am packed powder machine groomed 42 - 42 base 16 of 22 trails 64% open, 4 of 4 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-9p; Sat: 9a-9p; Sun: 9a-4p

Soldier Hollow XC — Operating, no details

FIGHT SCHEDULE

Jan. 10

At the Emerald Queen Casino in Tacoma, Washington (ESPN2), Arash Usmanee vs. Juan Antonio Rodriguez, 10, super featherweights; Zahir Raheem vs. Bayan Jargal, 10, welterweights.

Jan. 11

At Perwez, Belgium, Alexander Miskirtchian vs. Sofiane Takoucht, 12, IBF featherweight eliminator.

Jan. 17

At the Cook Convention Center in Memphis, Tenn. (SHO), Ivan Redkach vs. Tony Luis, 10, lightweights.

Jan. 18

At Bell Centre, Montreal (HBO), Jean Pascal vs. Lucian Bute, 12, light heavyweights; Eleider Alvarez vs. Thomas Oosthuizen, 12, light heavyweights; Mike Perez vs. Carlos Takam, 10, heavyweights.

Jan. 24

At Resorts International, Atlantic City, N.J. (NBCSN), Curtis Stevens vs. Patrick Majewski, 10, middleweights; Thabiso Mchunu vs. Olanrewaju Durodola, 10, cruiserweights.

At Fantasy Springs Casino, Indio, Calif. (FS1), Cornelius Bundrage vs. Joey Hernandez, 12, IBF junior middleweight eliminator; Antonio Orozco vs. Miguel Angel Huerta, 10, junior welterweights.

At Little Creek Casino Resort, Shelton, Wash. (ESPN2), Javier Molina vs. Kendall Holt, 10, welterweights; Rico Ramos vs. Jonathan Arrellano, 10, featherweights.

Jan. 25

At Stuttgart, Germany, Marco Huck vs. Firat Arslan, 12, for Huck's WBO cruiserweight title.

At New York (HBO), Mikey Garcia vs. Juan Carlos Burgos, 12, for Garcia's WBO junior lightweight title; Bryant Jennings vs. Artur Szpilka, 10, heavyweights; Seanie Monaghan vs. Fabio Garrido, 10, light heavyweights.

At DC Armory, Washington (SHO), Lamont Peterson vs. Dierry Jean, 12, for Peterson's IBF junior welterweight title; Jermell Charlo vs. Gabriel Rosado, 10, junior middleweights.

MCBASKETBALLTODAY

BY OSCAR LEROY

WJCAC Women's basketball

Team	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
Odessa College	1	0	11	3
Midland College	1	0	10	5
New Mexico JC	1	0	9	5
South Plains	1	0	7	7
Frank Phillips	0	1	9	2
Howard College	0	1	9	7
Clarendon College	0	1	7	6
Western Texas	0	1	5	7

Today's Games

Frank Phillips College at Midland College; Howard College at South Plains College; New Mexico JC at Western Texas College; Odessa College is open

WJCAC Men's basketball

Team	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
New Mexico JC	2	0	14	1
South Plains	1	0	14	1
Odessa College	1	0	13	1
Howard College	1	0	13	2
Western Texas	1	1	13	3
Frank Phillips	0	1	10	4
Midland College	0	1	8	6
Clarendon College	0	1	4	9
New Mexico Military	0	2	9	4

Today's Games

Frank Phillips College at Midland College; Odessa College at New Mexico Military Institute; Howard College at South Plains College; New Mexico JC at Western Texas College

Women

FRANK PHILLIPS AT NO. 22 MIDLAND COLLEGE

When/where: 5:45 p.m., Chaparral Center

Records: Midland College 10-5, 1-0 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference; Frank Phillips College 9-2, 0-1

Notes & quotes: Midland College returns to action and conference play tonight as the last time the Lady Chaparrals played a game was on Dec. 4 when they defeated Howard College, 60-55, at home in the WJCAC opener. MC's game on Dec. 7 at Clarendon College was postponed because of the weather and MC did not schedule another game in between the Christmas break and tonight. MC coach Ron Jones said he doesn't give the long layoff too much thought. "I think the value of more time off outweighs coming back and playing a game," he said. "I usually like to give the team a little longer time off." ... Jones said he doesn't know much about FPC but said the more important thing for his team is to get a feel for what they want to do on both ends of the court. ... Three Lady Chaps are averaging in double figures, led by 6-0 freshman F Mary Savoy with 14.4 ppg to go with 8.3 rpg, 6-0 sophomore P Catherine Kruschke is averaging 12.8 ppg and 8.8 rpg and 6-0 sophomore P Diamalises Rivera added 10.4 ppg. ... The Lady Plainsmen, who lost their WJCAC opener to New Mexico Junior College, 72-57, on Dec. 4, are led by 5-foot-10 sophomore G/F Honesty Sullivan with 14.3 ppg and 7.6 rpg, 5-7 sophomore PG and Odessa Permian grad Cheyenne Swoopes averages 11.3 ppg and 7.4 apg, while 5-10 freshman F Joslyn Smith chips in with 10.4 ppg.

Next: Midland College at Western Texas, 5:45 p.m. Jan. 13; Howard College at Frank Phillips College, 5:45 p.m. Jan. 13

Men

FRANK PHILLIPS AT MIDLAND COLLEGE

When/where: 7:45 p.m., Chaparral Center

Records: Midland College 8-6, 0-1 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference; Frank Phillips College 10-4, 0-1

Notes & quotes: Midland College gets back into WJCAC play looking to break a two-game slide with losses to Pima Community College (119-98) and Central Arizona College (77-75) during its four-game road trip to Arizona last weekend. Despite the losses, MC coach Jordan Dreiling said he feels good about restarting conference play with two home games on tap this week. He said the biggest improvement his team must make is on defense. "We've got to learn to guard and to help," Dreiling said. "We need to guard together and guard the rim." ... Dreiling said sophomore G/F Demetric Austin has been reinstated from his suspension after missing the 89-78 home loss to Howard College on Dec. 4. Austin leads the Chaps with 20.6 ppg and 10.8 rpg. ... However, the Chaps might be missing two key inside players in freshman F Kenan Guzonjic, who's nursing an injury, and sophomore F Kevin Thomas, who's been having trouble catching a flight from Buffalo, N.Y., because of the weather. ... Frank Phillips should rely on its guard play with 6-foot sophomore Darrel Robinson (11.8 ppg) and 6-2 sophomore G Chris Hall (10.8 ppg) leading the way. "They've played some teams tough," said Dreiling about the Plainsmen "They have good guard play and are just a tough team."

Next: New Mexico Military Institute at Midland College, 7 p.m. Thursday; Howard College at Frank Phillips College, 6:45 p.m. Jan. 13

Simpson, with heavy heart, in 3-way tie for lead

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

KAPALUA, Hawaii — Webb Simpson might have pulled out of the Tournament of Champions to be with his caddie if he were not on an island in the middle of the Pacific.

Reassurance came from Paul Tesori, his caddie and close friend whose newborn son is in intensive care in a Florida hospital.

"Paul sent me a text this morning, just told me he loved me and wanted to go out and fight as hard as I would any other day," Simpson said Sunday after doing just that.

Simpson made four birdies in a five-hole stretch on the back nine at Kapalua for a 5-under 68, giving him a share of the lead with defending champion Dustin Johnson and Jordan Spieth going into the final round today on the Plantation Course.

On a glorious day of sun and surf, Simpson played with a heavy heart.

His caddie and friend, Paul Tesori, was in a hospital in Florida with newborn son Isaiah in intensive care. Simpson said the child suffered a seizure shortly after he was born with indications of an infection in his brain. One of Tesori's best friends in the business is Ted Scott, the caddie for Bubba Watson, who is filling in this week as Simpson's caddie. Tesori tweeted that he tuned into the telecast at Kapalua in time to see his son's name on Scott's hat.

"I felt like we were out there playing for Isaiah," Simpson said. "Paul needs something to watch there in the hospital. It's been a long few days, so hopefully, we gave him something good to see on TV. But it was tough. I was thinking about him a lot out there."

Winning on Monday won't be easy.

Simpson was the first to reach 14-under 205, thanks to a terrific par save on the 17th and a long two-putt par on the 18th hole, a par 5 with a front hole location that made it difficult to get close because the green and the grain move sharply away.

Spieth, the 20-year-old Texan who looks just as good as he did during a sensational rookie season, got back into the mix with a tough birdie on the par-3 eighth and capped off a 69 with a 15-foot birdie putt on the 17th and a long two-putt for par on the 18th.

Spieth won the John Deere Classic last year. This is his first time with at least a share of the 54-hole lead.

"This is a new position for me," Spieth said. "I've never slept on a 54-hole lead. I'm excited about it and it's going to be a fun time tomorrow to get to play with Webb for the third time this week."

The most intimidating figure is Johnson, whose power is suited for the Plantation Course. Johnson also had a 69 and was disappointed at playing the par 5s in 3-under for the day. One of them was a tap-in eagle on the par-5 ninth. But he had to settle for pars on the long holes on the back nine.

One shot hit the front of the green and rolled off the putting surface on the 15th and into a valley. On the 18th, his 4-iron came up short and left him a pitch that had to be perfect. It was a few inches from that. The pitch didn't have enough roll to glide with the grain and left him a 15-foot birdie chance that he missed.

"Other than that, I played pretty good," Johnson said.

No matter. He's still tied for the lead, still in good position to start the new year the same way he did in 2013.

Zach Johnson, who had a three-shot lead going into the third round, couldn't make anything and shot a 74. His only birdie was a two-putt on the par-5 fifth hole. Still, he was only two shots behind at 12-under 207 heading into today's finish.

Instead of building his lead, Zach Johnson effectively gave more players in this winners-only field a chance.

Gary Woodland (67), PGA champion Jason Dufner (69), Brandt Snedeker (69) and Kevin Streelman, who had a 33 on the back nine to salvage a 70, were within three shots of the lead. Masters champion Adam Scott wasted a chance to join them.

Scott was at 11-under and in range of the par-5 15th until he smothered a long iron into the hazard and had to scramble for a bogey. He missed a 7-foot birdie putt on the next hole, missed the green and took bogey on the 17th and closed with a birdie for a 69. He still was only four shots behind.

Simpson has made 12 of his 18 birdies this week on the back nine, and his hopes are to stay in the mix and work one more day of magic.

The most intriguing character in this mix is Spieth, who a year ago didn't have status on any tour in the world. A couple of good finishes on tour through sponsor exemptions helped secure his card. He won at the John Deere Classic, finished No. 7 in the FedEx Cup, played in the Presidents Cup team and came into the week at No. 22 in the world.

Marco Garcia/AP

Webb Simpson drives off the 18th tee box during the third round of the Tournament of Champions on Sunday in Kapalua, Hawaii.

Tournament of Champions scores

Hyundai Tournament of Champions Scores
Sunday
At Kapalua Resort, The Plantation Course
Kapalua, Hawaii
Purse: $5.7 million
Yardage: 7,452; Par 73
Third Round

Webb Simpson	66-71-68—205
Jordan Spieth	66-70-69—205
Dustin Johnson	70-66-69—205
Zach Johnson	67-66-74—207
Gary Woodland	71-70-67—208
Jason Dufner	67-72-69—208
Brandt Snedeker	70-69-69—208
Kevin Streelman	67-71-70—208
Patrick Reed	70-72-67—209
Chris Kirk	66-75-68—209
Adam Scott	70-70-69—209
Woody Austin	72-70-68—210
Ken Duke	70-69-71—210
Ryan Moore	67-71-72—210
Michael Thompson	66-71-73—210
Brian Gay	70-76-65—211
Harris English	70-71-70—211
Matt Kuchar	68-68-75—211
Scott Brown	71-73-68—212
Billy Horschel	72-72-68—212
Jimmy Walker	73-73-67—213
Bill Haas	71-73-69—213
Martin Laird	71-72-70—213
Sang-Moon Bae	69-73-71—213
Russell Henley	72-72-70—214
Jonas Blixt	76-70-69—215
Boo Weekley	71-74-70—215
John Merrick	71-76-71—218
D.A. Points	72-74-73—219
Derek Ernst	79-76-76—231

TENNISROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

HEWITT UPSETS FEDERER TO WIN BRISBANE TITLE: At Brisbane, Australia, Lleyton Hewitt won a title for the first time since 2010 with an upset 6-1, 4-6, 6-3 win at the Brisbane International over Roger Federer, his oldest rival on the tour.

The 32-year-old former No. 1s have met 27 times dating back to 1999, and after Sunday's unexpected victory Hewitt has improved his record to nine wins against the 17-time Grand Slam champion.

Top-seeded Federer was broken three times and committed 22 unforced errors in the first set, making some uncharacteristically basic mistakes including an air swing and two shanked forehands. He fought back in the second set and had breakpoint chances in No. 61-ranked Hewitt's first three service games in the deciding set, but couldn't get the vital breakthrough.

WAWRINKA WINS CHENNAI OPEN TITLE IN STYLE: At Chennai, India, top-seeded Stanislas Wawrinka regained the Chennai Open title without dropping a set in the tournament when he defeated Edouard Roger-Vasselin of France 7-5, 6-2 on Sunday.

It was the fifth ATP title for 2011 champion Wawrinka, who is presently ranked a career-best eighth. The Swiss moved past 300 wins on the ATP circuit during this tournament.

Roger-Vasselin, looking for a maiden ATP title in his second final, started competitively but made several unforced errors in a bid to raise his game as Wawrinka took control midway into the match.

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CHARGERS

From 1C

got to be careful we're not overconfident, which we won't be. Cincinnati came to our place and won five weeks ago."

The Bengals (11-6) won in San Diego 17-10 on Dec. 1, starting their final push toward the AFC North title. They took advantage of three turnovers in that one.

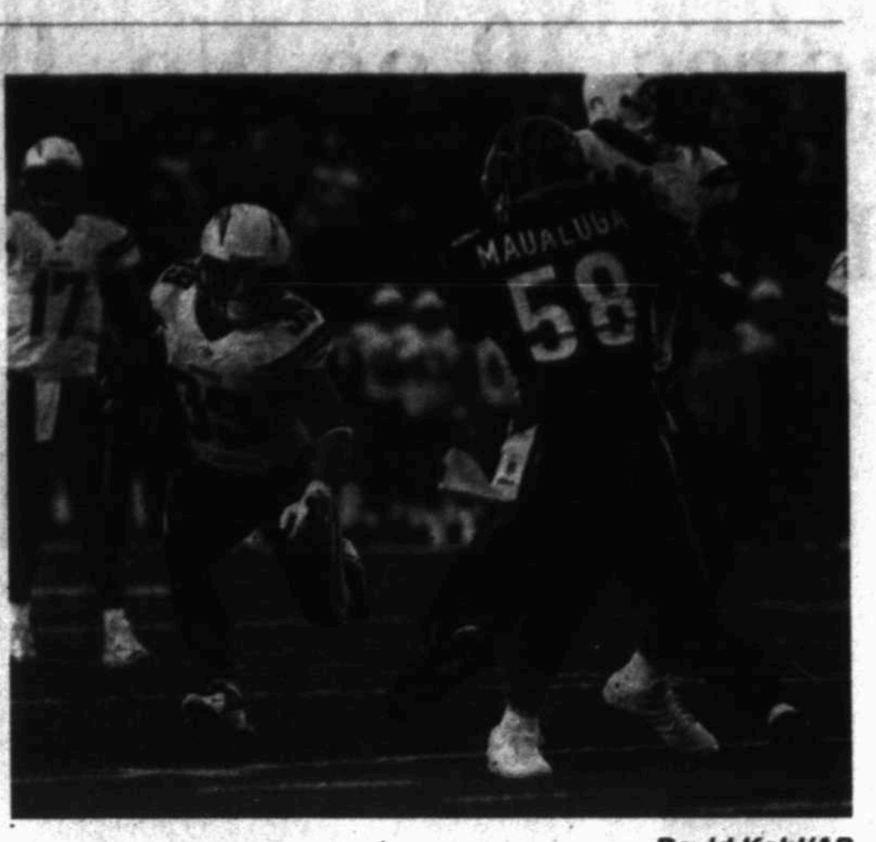
They turned it over four times on Sunday, with Dalton's fumble and two interceptions in the second half leading to one of the most stunning losses in franchise history. The Bengals had been 8-0 at home and brought the NFL's No. 3 defense — their highest-ever playoff ranking — into the game.

With everything in their favor, they unraveled in the second half, getting outscored 20-0.

The Bengals now have the sixth-longest streak of playoff futility in NFL history, stretching all the way back to the 1990 season. They've lost their playoff opener three straight years, matching a league record, according to STATS LLC.

"Whatever you do during the regular season doesn't matter once you get to the playoffs," said Dalton, who is 0-3 in the playoffs. "It's disappointing. All the good stuff we did this year, then to come out and not win this game kind of hurts."

Coach Marvin Lewis fell to 0-5 in the playoffs during his 11 seasons as head coach, but is expected to stick around and get another chance to try again.



David Kohl/AP

San Diego Chargers running back Danny Woodhead (39) runs against Cincinnati Bengals linebacker Rey Maualuga (58) in the second half of Sunday's wild-card playoff game in Cincinnati.

A lot of it falls on Dalton, who has a trilogy of bad playoff games. He fumbled and threw two interceptions in the second half. Dalton finished 29 of 51 for 334 yards with a below-average passer rating of 67.

The Chargers pressured him in the second half and took advantage of his mistakes. And they didn't turn the ball over in a conservative offense that sometimes grated on Rivers but ultimately worked.

"The way our defense was playing, as long as we didn't have a disaster and we made plays when they were there, we were going to win this game," Rivers said.

Combined with the Saints' victory over the Eagles on Saturday night, the two No. 6 playoff seeds won for the first time since 2010, when the Packers won the Super Bowl.

And the Chargers are thinking: Why not us?

"We're loose, we're confident, we're peaking at the right time," safety Eric Weddle said. "We are a team to be dealt with. We're a confident bunch, especially in the second half, in the fourth quarter. We feel we're ready for those situations. The pressure is not going to get to us."

This one was a reversal from the last time they met. The Bengals forced three turnovers for their win in San Diego.

The Bengals got the rematch at home, where they had scored 49, 41, 41, 42 and 34 points in their last five regular season games.

Last BCS title game matches Domination & Destiny

By Ralph D. Russo
Associated Press

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. — Team Destiny vs. Team Domination.

Before the Bowl Championship Series is replaced next year by a playoff, No. 1 Florida State and No. 2 Auburn will meet in its last title game Monday night at the Rose Bowl.

The Seminoles (13-0) ripped through their schedule on the way to Pasadena, winning each game by at least 14 points behind Heisman Trophy winner Jameis Winston.

"I still think our best game is out there," Florida State coach Jimbo Fisher said Sunday. "I'm looking forward to playing it (tonight), and our kids are looking forward to the challenge."

The turnaround Tigers (12-1) are the most unlikely group ever to reach the BCS championship game. Auburn went from 3-9 last year to Southeastern Conference champions in their first season under coach Gus Malzahn. It was a wild ride. The Prayer at Jordan-Hare beat Georgia. The Kick-Six beat Alabama. Destiny? Fate? Luck? The Tigers don't see it that way.

"Hey, I know we're a team of hard work, I know that," said tailback Tre Mason, a Heisman finalist who has run for 1,621 yards and 22 touchdowns for the No. 1 rushing offense in the country. "These guys put a lot of hard work in with me every day, blood, sweat and tears all year long."

The game

BCS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

When: 7:30 p.m. today
Location: Rose Bowl, Pasadena, Calif.
TV: ESPN, ESPN2, ESPN Classic, ESPNEWS

Auburn is the first team to reach the BCS championship game after having a losing season the previous season, and would become the first national champion to start the season unranked since BYU in 1984.

After 16 years of the BCS, the routine is familiar the day before the big game.

The coaches hold their final early morning news conferences, and then take a few minutes to shake hands with each other, exchange pleasantries and pose for pictures with the crystal football trophy that goes to the winner.

On Sunday it was Fisher, the fast-talking West Virginian and Nick Saban disciple, and Malzahn, who has gone from high school coach in Arkansas to the national championship game in eight years, running the drill.

Malzahn, who was the Tigers' offensive coordinator when they won the 2010 national title, said Sunday he told his players before the season one of their goals was to make the biggest turnaround in college football. Done. Auburn has already matched the 2000 Hawaii team for most improved record in FBS history.

"Well, Auburn is a great program and used to winning championships, so I knew that we were going to get it turned around," he said. "I didn't know how quick. There was a lot of questions when we first got there. We did a lot of Dr. Phil-ing early, and our guys came together and they believed."

Malzahn's up-tempo, spread offense is a combination of deception and power that seemingly gets better every game. Against Missouri in the SEC championship game, Auburn ran for 545 yards.

"Well, you have to have eye discipline," Fisher said. "Any time you have moving parts, any time you bring something in front of you, just like when you're driving, if somebody flashes a hand in front of you while you're driving down the road it makes you blink, it makes your eyes distracted and you get off of what you're looking at and then at the same time they become very physical with how they play, and you get yourself out of position, they knock you out of the way, and there's a four, five, eight, 10 or they break a run right up the middle."

49ERS

From 1C

10:39 left. The score quickly answered John Kuhn's 1-yard touchdown run that briefly gave the Packers a four-point lead.

That TD was set up after Rodgers, in the clutches of a 49ers defender, somehow managed to escape a sack on fourth-and-2 and found Randall Cobb for a 26-yard gain to the Niners 4.

Eddie Lacy ran for 81 yards on 21 carries for the Packers, while Frank Gore had 66 yards and a touchdown on 20 carries for the 49ers.

Michael Crabtree had eight catches for 125 yards for San Francisco.

But it was Kaepernick who was the difference-maker once again in San Francisco's fourth straight win over Green Bay. He finished 16 of 30 with the touchdown and an interception.

For the second year in a row, the Packers' season has started and ended with losses to the 49ers. The latest edition of what's turned into a chippy and heated rivalry took place on the worn, frozen turf of Lambeau Field.

In a memorable playoff debut last January, Kaepernick ran for a quarterback playoff-record 181 yards and a pair of touchdowns. In the season opener in September, the strong-armed quarterback threw for a career-best 412 yards and three scores.

This time, he did his damage on the ground and through the air.

Kaepernick tore through the Green Bay defense for a 42-yard run, getting a break at one point after House whiffed on a tackle, to set up Gore's 10-yard touchdown run that helped give the 49ers a 13-10 halftime lead.

Jeffrey Phelps/AP

Green Bay Packers cornerback Davon House (31) breaks up a pass intended for San Francisco 49ers wide receiver Michael Crabtree (15) during the second half of Sunday's wild-card playoff game in Green Bay, Wis.

The Packers went without a first down in the first quarter before finally getting on the board with a methodical 14-play, 70-yard drive that ended with Rodgers' 5-yard touchdown pass to Jordy Nelson that gave the Packers a 7-6 lead with 5:50 left in the half. The drive was set up by Tramon Williams' 17-yard interception of Kaepernick to the 49ers 30.

In the end, Kaepernick came out with another win.

The 49ers' nasty defense got pressure on Rodgers most of the day, but the Packers still rallied in the fourth. A depleted Packers defense — already playing without linebacker Clay Matthews — lost two more starters Sunday in cornerback Sam Shields and linebacker Mike Neal — but still managed to hold its own against the Niners.

TODAY'S BOWL GAME

FROM WIRE REPORTS

BCS CHAMPIONSHIP NO. 1 FLORIDA STATE (13-0) VS. NO. 2 AUBURN (12-1), 7 P.M. (ESPN)

Line: Florida State by 10.

Series Record: Auburn leads 13-4-1.

WHAT'S AT STAKE

The Seminoles are looking for their third national championship and first since the 1999 season. Florida State can also become the third team in FBS history to win each of its games by at least 14 points, joining Utah in 2004 and Nebraska's 1995 national championship team. The Tigers are trying for their third national title and second in the last four seasons. They can also run the SEC's national title streak to eight.

KEY MATCHUP

Florida State WR Kelvin Benjamin vs. Auburn's cornerbacks. Benjamin has a little Megatron in him. The sophomore is 6-foot-5 and 234 pounds. None of the cornerbacks can match up with him physically. The four listed on the depth chart range from 5-10 to 6-feet tall. Chris Davis is the best of the bunch.

PLAYERS TO WATCH

Florida State: QB Jameis Winston. The Heisman Trophy-winning redshirt freshman can set an NCAA record for passing efficiency rating with another big game. He comes in with a rating of 190.05. The record is held by Russell Wilson (191.8). All-America CB Lamarcus Joyner leads the defense. He's small, 5-8 and 190, but versatile. He leads the Seminoles with five sacks.

Auburn: RB Tre Mason. A Heisman finalist, he ran for 1,621 yards and 22 touchdowns, and finished with a bang. He ran for 304 yards in the Southeastern Conference championship game against Missouri.

FACTS & FIGURES

Florida State can set an NCAA record for points in the season with 28 more. Oklahoma set the record in 2008 with 716. ... Auburn is the second team since the AP college football poll expanded to 25 teams in 1989 to play three consecutive top-five teams. The Tigers beat No. 1 Alabama and No. 5 Missouri to get here. Colorado did it in 2001, but only won the first two. ... Auburn is the first ream to reach the BCS title game after having a losing season the year before and can become the first team to start the season unranked and win a national title since 1984 BYU. ... Auburn leads the nation in rushing at 335 yards per game, is third in yards per rush at 6.46 and third in rushing touchdowns with 46. Florida State has allowed only five rushing touchdowns, fewest in the nation, and 3.14 yards per carry (sixth best nationally). ... Florida State ranks in the top three in the country in 11 statistical categories, including second in scoring (53 points per game) and first in points allowed (10.7 ppg). ... Florida State coach Jimbo Fisher is in his fourth season leading the Seminoles. He is 44-10 in his first head coaching job, including 3-0 in bowls. ... Auburn coach Gus Malzahn is in his first season with the Tigers. In his one season as Arkansas State coach, he went 9-3 and won the Sun Belt championship.

Arkansas State tops Ball State

By David Brandt
Associated Press

Redwolves	**23**
Cardinals	20

MOBILE, Ala. — Backup quarterback Fredi Knighten threw a 13-yard pass to Allen Muse with 32 seconds remaining to lift Arkansas State past Ball State 23-20 at the GoDaddy Bowl on Sunday night.

Ball State had a chance to tie at the end of regulation, but Scott Secor's 38-yard field goal attempt was blocked as time expired.

Arkansas State (8-5) won the GoDaddy Bowl for a second straight season, despite losing starting quarterback Adam Kennedy to a knee injury in the second quarter. It was the Red Wolves' third straight trip to Mobile.

Knighten had 115 yards passing and 97 yards rushing.

Ball State (10-3) pushed ahead 20-16 with 1:33 remaining on a 1-yard touchdown run by Jahwan Edwards, but couldn't hold the lead. Edwards finished with a game-high 146 yards rushing.

Keith Wenning capped his Ball State career with 215 yards passing, one touchdown and one interception.

NFL GLANCE AND BOXES

NFL Playoff Glance
Wild-card Playoffs
Saturday
Indianapolis 45, Kansas City 44
New Orleans 26, Philadelphia 24
Sunday
San Diego 27, Cincinnati 10
San Francisco 23, Green Bay 20
Divisional Playoffs
Saturday, Jan. 11
New Orleans at Seattle, 3:35 p.m. (FOX)
Indianpolis at New England, 7:15 p.m. (CBS)
Sunday, Jan. 12
San Francisco at Carolina, 12:05 p.m. (FOX)
San Diego at Denver, 3:40 p.m. (CBS)
Conference Championships
Sunday, Jan. 19
AFC, 2 p.m. (CBS)
NFC, 5:30 p.m. (FOX) Pro Bowl
Sunday, Jan. 26
At Honolulu
TBD, 6:30 p.m. (NBC)
Super Bowl
Sunday, Feb. 2
At East Rutherford, N.J.
AFC champion vs. NFC champion, 5:30 p.m. (FOX)

SUNDAY'S BOXES
CHARGERS 27, BENGALS 10

San Diego	7	0	10	10	—27
Cincinnati	0	10	0	0	—10

First Quarter
SD—Woodhead 5 run (Novak kick), :48.
Second Quarter
Cin—Gresham 4 pass from Dalton (Nugent kick), 5:59.
Cin—FG Nugent 46, :00.
Third Quarter
SD—Green 4 pass from Rivers (Novak kick), 6:46.
SD—FG Novak 25, 2:00.
Fourth Quarter
SD—FG Novak 23, 14:16.
SD—R.Brown 58 run (Novak kick), 2:17.
A—62,277.

	SD	Cin
First downs	16	27
Total Net Yards	318	439
Rushes-yards	40-196	25-113
Passing	122	326
Comp-Att-Int	12-16-0	29-51-2
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-6	3-8
Punts	6-43.2	3-39.3
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	3-2
Penalties-Yards	5-28	4-38
Time of Possession	29:28	30:32

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—San Diego, R.Brown 8-77, Woodhead 15-54, Mathews 13-52, Royal 1-9, Rivers 2-4, McClain 1-0. Cincinnati, Bernard 12-45, Green-Ellis 8-42, Dalton 5-26.

PASSING—San Diego, Rivers 12-16-0-128. Cincinnati, Dalton 29-51-2-334.

RECEIVING—San Diego, Green 3-34, Allen 2-21, Woodhead 2-14, Mathews 2-12, Royal 1-33, R.Brown 1-9, Gates 1-5. Cincinnati, M.Jones 8-130, Bernard 7-73, Gresham 7-64, Green 3-34, Hawkins 3-20, Sanu 1-13.

MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.

49ERS 23, PACKERS 20

San Francisco	6	7	0	10	—23
Green Bay	0	10	0	10	—20

First Quarter
SF—FG Dawson 22, 9:00.
SF—FG Dawson 25, 2:17.
Second Quarter
GB—Nelson 5 pass from Rodgers (Crosby kick), 5:50.
SF—Gore 10 run (Dawson kick), 2:48.
GB—FG Crosby 34, :00.
Fourth Quarter
GB—Kuhn 1 run (Crosby kick), 12:06.
SF—V.Davis 28 pass from Kaepernick (Dawson kick), 10:31.
GB—FG Crosby 24, 5:06.
SF—FG Dawson 33, :00.
A—77,525.

	SF	GB
First downs	22	18
Total Net Yards	381	281
Rushes-yards	30-167	31-124
Passing	214	157
Punt Returns	2-20	0-0
Kickoff Returns	3-78	5-105
Interceptions Ret.	0-0	1-17
Comp-Att-Int	16-30-1	17-26-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	3-13	4-20
Punts	3-36.7	5-39.4
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	2-0
Penalties-Yards	2-10	3-20
Time of Possession	29:06	30:54

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—San Francisco, Kaepernick 7-98, Gore 20-66, Hunter 2-4, Patton 1-(minus 1). Green Bay, Lacy 21-81, Starks 5-29, Rodgers 2-11, Kuhn 2-2, Cobb 1-1.

PASSING—San Francisco, Kaepernick 16-30-1-227. Green Bay, Rodgers 17-26-0-177.

RECEIVING—San Francisco, Crabtree 8-125, Boldin 3-38, V.Davis 2-37, Gore 1-11, Dixon 1-10, Celek 1-6. Green Bay, Nelson 7-62, Cobb 2-51, J.Jones 2-20, Kuhn 2-16, Lacy 2-7, Starks 1-13, Quarless 1-8.

MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.

BOWL GLANCE

Saturday, Dec. 21
New Mexico Bowl
At Albuquerque
Colorado State 48, Washington State 45
Las Vegas Bowl
Southern Cal 45, Fresno State 20
Famous Idaho Potato Bowl
At Boise, Idaho
San Diego State 49, Buffalo 24
New Orleans Bowl
Louisiana-Lafayette 24, Tulane 21

Monday, Dec. 23
Beef 'O' Brady's Bowl
At St. Petersburg, Fla.
East Carolina 37, Ohio 20

Tuesday, Dec. 24
Hawaii Bowl
At Honolulu
Oregon State 38, Boise State 23

Thursday, Dec. 26
Little Caesars Pizza Bowl
At Detroit
Pittsburgh 30, Bowling Green 27
Poinsettia Bowl
At San Diego
Utah State 21, Northern Illinois 14

Friday, Dec. 27
Military Bowl
At Annapolis, Md.
Marshall 31, Maryland 20
Texas Bowl
At Houston
Syracuse 21, Minnesota 17
Fight Hunger Bowl
At San Francisco
Washington 31, BYU 16

Saturday, Dec. 28
Pinstripe Bowl
At New York
Notre Dame 29, Rutgers 16
Belk Bowl
At Charlotte, N.C.
North Carolina 39, Cincinnati 17
Russell Athletic Bowl
At Orlando, Fla.
Louisville 36, Miami 9
Buffalo Wild Wings Bowl
At Tempe, Ariz.
Kansas State 31, Michigan 14

Monday, Dec. 30
Armed Forces Bowl
At Fort Worth
Navy 24, Middle Tennessee 6
Music City Bowl
At Nashville, Tenn.
Mississippi 25, Georgia Tech 17
Alamo Bowl
At San Antonio
Oregon 30, Texas 7
Holiday Bowl
At San Diego
Texas Tech 37, Arizona State 23

Tuesday, Dec. 31
AdvoCare V100 Bowl
At Shreveport, La.
Arizona 42, Boston College 19
Sun Bowl
At El Paso
UCLA 42, Virginia Tech 12
Liberty Bowl
At Memphis, Tenn.
Mississippi State 44, Rice 7
Chick-fil-A Bowl
At Atlanta
Texas A&M 52, Duke 48

Wednesday, Jan. 1
Heart of Dallas Bowl
At Dallas
North Texas 36, UNLV 14
Gator Bowl
At Jacksonville, Fla.
Nebraska 24, Georgia 19
Capital One Bowl
At Orlando, Fla.
South Carolina 34, Wisconsin 24
Outback Bowl
At Tampa, Fla.
LSU 21, Iowa 14
Rose Bowl
At Pasadena, Calif.
Michigan State 24, Stanford 20
Fiesta Bowl
At Glendale, Ariz.
UCF 52, Baylor 42

Thursday, Jan. 2
Sugar Bowl
At New Orleans
Oklahoma 45, Alabama 31

Friday, Jan. 3
Cotton Bowl
At Arlington
Missouri 41, Oklahoma State 31
Orange Bowl
At Miami
Clemson 40, Ohio State 35

Saturday, Jan. 4
BBVA Compass Bowl
At Birmingham, Ala.
Vanderbilt 41, Houston 24

Sunday, Jan. 5
GoDaddy.com Bowl
At Mobile, Ala.
Arkansas State 23, Ball State 20

Monday, Jan. 6
BCS National Championship
At Pasadena, Calif.
Florida State (13-0) vs. Auburn (12-1), 7:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Jan. 18
East-West Shrine Classic
At St. Petersburg, Fla.
East vs. West, 4 p.m. (NFLN)
NFLPA Collegiate Bowl
At Los Angeles
American vs. National, 5 p.m. (ESPN2)

Saturday, Jan. 25
Senior Bowl
At Mobile, Ala.
South vs. North, 3 p.m. (NFLN)

COLLEGE BASKETBALL SCORES & SCHEDULES

Men

SUNDAY'S TOP 25 FARED

1. Arizona (15-0) did not play. Next: at UCLA, Thursday.
2. Syracuse (14-0) did not play. Next: at Virginia Tech, Tuesday.
3. Ohio State (15-0) did not play. Next: at No. 5 Michigan State, Tuesday.
4. Wisconsin (15-0) beat No. 22 Iowa 75-71. Next: vs. Illinois, Wednesday.
5. Michigan State (13-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 3 Ohio State, Tuesday.
6. Oklahoma State (12-2) did not play. Next: vs. Texas, Wednesday.
7. Duke (11-3) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia Tech, Tuesday.
8. Wichita State (15-0) beat Northern Iowa 67-53. Next: vs. Illinois State, Wednesday.
9. **Baylor (13-1) did not play. Next: at No. 13 Iowa State, Tuesday.**
10. Oregon (13-1) lost to No. 20 Colorado 100-91. Next: vs. California, Thursday.
11. Villanova (13-1) beat Providence 91-61. Next: at Seton Hall, Wednesday.
12. Florida (11-2) did not play. Next: vs. South Carolina, Wednesday.
13. Iowa State (13-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 9 Baylor, Tuesday.
14. Louisville (13-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 18 Memphis, Thursday.
15. Kentucky (10-3) did not play. Next: vs. Mississippi State, Wednesday.
16. Kansas (9-4) lost to No. 21 San Diego State 61-57. Next: at Oklahoma, Wednesday.
17. UConn (11-3) did not play. Next: vs. Harvard, Wednesday.
18. Memphis (10-3) did not play. Next: at No. 14 Louisville, Thursday.
19. North Carolina (10-4) lost to Wake Forest 73-67. Next: vs. Miami, Wednesday.
20. Colorado (13-2) beat No. 10 Oregon 100-91. Next: at Washington State, Wednesday.
21. San Diego State (12-1) beat No. 16 Kansas 61-57. Next: vs. Boise State, Wednesday.
22. Iowa (12-3) lost to No. 4 Wisconsin 75-71. Next: vs. Northwestern, Thursday.
23. UMass (12-1) did not play Next: vs. Saint Joseph's, Wednesday.
24. Gonzaga (14-2) did not play. Next: at Portland, Thursday.
25. Missouri (12-1) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia, Wednesday.

SUNDAY'S SCORES

SOUTH

Florida Gulf Coast 68, Stetson 55
Marshall 77, Presbyterian 49
Murray St. 91, UT-Martin 77
Wake Forest 73, North Carolina 67

MIDWEST

Illinois St. 66, S. Illinois 48
Loyola of Chicago 89, Missouri St. 57
Michigan 74, Northwestern 51
Minnesota 82, Purdue 79
San Diego St. 61, Kansas 57
Wichita St. 67, N. Iowa 53
Wisconsin 75, Iowa 71

FAR WEST

Arizona St. 66, Washington St. 47
Colorado 100, Oregon 91
UCLA 107, Southern Cal 73

EAST

American U. 69, Holy Cross 54
Army 91, Loyola (Md.) 82
Boston U. 67, Lehigh 66
Bucknell 68, Colgate 57
Fairleigh Dickinson 86, Hofstra 67
Maine 82, Binghamton 66
Mass.-Lowell 59, UMBC 54
Navy 79, Lafayette 71
Villanova 91, Providence 61

TODAY'S GAMES

SOUTHWEST

West Virginia at Texas Tech, 6 p.m.
Alcorn St. at Prairie View, 7:30 p.m.
Southern U. at Texas Southern, 8 p.m.

SOUTH

Jacksonville at Lipscomb, 5 p.m.
Appalachian St. at Elon, 6 p.m.
SC-Upstate at Kennesaw St., 6 p.m.
ETSU at Mercer, 6 p.m.
North Florida at N. Kentucky, 6 p.m.
Furman at UNC Greensboro, 6 p.m.
Chattanooga at The Citadel, 6:05 p.m.
Md.-Eastern Shore at Savannah St., 7 p.m.
Alabama A&M at Grambling St., 7:30 p.m.
Alabama St. at Jackson St., 7:30 p.m.

EAST

Canisius at Marist, 6 p.m.
Iona at Quinnipiac, 6 p.m.
Maryland at Pittsburgh, 6 p.m.

Women

SUNDAY'S TOP 25 FARED

1. UConn (15-0) did not play. Next: vs. Houston, Tuesday.
2. Notre Dame (13-0) beat Clemson 71-51. Next: vs. Boston College, Thursday.
3. Duke (14-1) beat Georgia Tech 64-47. Next: at No. 20 Syracuse, Thursday.
4. Stanford (13-1) beat Oregon State 89-67. Next: at Utah, Friday.
5. Tennessee (12-2) beat No. 19 Georgia 85-70. Next: vs. Mississippi, Thursday.
6. Kentucky (13-2) lost to Florida 83-73. Next: at No. 13 South Carolina, Thursday.
7. Louisville (15-1) did not play. Next: at South Florida, Sunday.
8. Maryland (13-1) beat No. 10 North Carolina 79-70. Next: vs. Wake Forest, Thursday.
9. **Baylor (12-1) beat Kansas 75-55. Next: at West Virginia, Wednesday.**
10. North Carolina (12-3) lost to No. 8 Maryland 79-70. Next: vs. N.C. State, Thursday.
11. Oklahoma State (12-1) did not play. Next: at Kansas State, Wednesday.
12. Colorado (10-2) at UCLA. Next: vs. No. 23 California, Friday.
13. South Carolina (14-1) beat Vanderbilt 76-66. Next: vs. No. 6 Kentucky, Thursday.
14. Iowa State (13-0) beat No. 25 Oklahoma 82-75, OT. Next: vs. Texas Tech, Wednesday.
15. Penn State (10-3) beat No. 22 Iowa 87-71. Next: at Illinois, Thursday.
16. LSU (12-2) beat Tulane 63-35. Next: vs. Texas A&M, Thursday.
17. Purdue (9-3) did not play. Next: vs. Indiana, Monday.
18. Nebraska (11-2) did not play. Next: at Michigan State, Thursday.
19. Georgia (12-3) lost to No. 5 Tennessee 85-70. Next: at Missouri, Thursday.
20. Syracuse (11-3) lost to N.C. State 67-61. Next: vs. No. 3 Duke, Thursday.
21. Florida State (13-1) did not play. Next: at Miami, Thursday.
22. Iowa (12-4) lost to No. 15 Penn State 87-71. Next: vs. Minnesota, Wednesday.
23. California (10-3) beat Oregon 101-98, OT. Next: at No. 12 Colorado, Friday.
24. Arizona State (12-2) beat Washington 78-60. Next: vs. Southern Cal, Friday.
25. Oklahoma (10-5) lost to No. 14 Iowa State 82-75, OT. Next: at Texas, Wednesday.

SUNDAY'S SCORES

SOUTHWEST

Baylor 75, Kansas 55
Iowa St. 82, Oklahoma 75, OT
TCU 65, Texas Tech 54
Texas 67, Kansas St. 53
Texas A&M 73, Alabama 58

SOUTH

Auburn 82, Mississippi St. 74
Duke 64, Georgia Tech 47
FIU 78, Palm Beach Atlantic 44
Florida St. 67, Kentucky 73
LSU 63, Tulane 35
Maryland 79, North Carolina 70
NC State 67, Syracuse 61
Old Dominion 68, NC Central 44
Pittsburgh 79, Virginia 75
Richmond 69, Rhode Island 43
South Carolina 76, Vanderbilt 66
Tennessee 85, Georgia 70

MIDWEST

Arkansas 89, Missouri 66
Indiana St. 90, Drake 81
Michigan 64, Ohio St. 49
Milwaukee 68, Nebraska-Omaha 48
N. Iowa 83, Illinois St. 63
Notre Dame 71, Clemson 51
Penn St. 87, Iowa 71
Wichita St. 98, Missouri St. 68
Wright St. 82, Detroit 57
Xavier 70, St. John's 65

FAR WEST

Arizona St. 78, Washington 60
California 101, Oregon 98, OT
Colorado St. 62, New Mexico 50
Long Beach St. 88, Denver 68
Southern Cal 55, Utah 47
Stanford 89, Oregon St. 67
Washington St. 61, Arizona 59

EAST

Army 66, Loyola (Md.) 62, OT
Boston College 70, Virginia Tech 63
Boston U. 71, Lehigh 64
Bucknell 88, Colgate 72
Canisius 48, St. Peter's 47
Delaware 71, Hofstra 66, OT
Fairfield 72, Quinnipiac 71
Fordham 75, UMass 61
George Washington 74, Saint Joseph's 67
Holy Cross 63, American U. 60
Iona 94, Niagara 84
Marshall 57, NJIT 56
Navy 67, Lafayette 53
Penn 79, Norfolk St. 49
Rider 64, Monmouth (NJ) 53
Siena 82, Manhattan 58
Stony Brook 57, Columbia 54
Yale 86, Maine 85

TODAY'S GAMES

SOUTHWEST

Southern U at Texas Southern, 3 p.m.
Alcorn St. at Prairie View, 5:30 p.m.

SOUTH

Trinity Baptist at Savannah St., 4:45 p.m.
Cornell at Morgan St., 5 p.m.
Campbell at N.C. A&T, 5 p.m.
Southern Wesleyan at S.C. State, 5 p.m.
Appalachian St. at Wofford, 5 p.m.
Alabama A&M at Grambling St., 5:30 p.m.
Alabama St. at Jackson St., 5:30 p.m.
Jacksonville St. at Belmont, 6 p.m.
Davidson at Chattanooga, 6 p.m.
W. Carolina at Furman, 6 p.m.
Georgia Southern at Samford, 6 p.m.
Tennessee Tech at Tennessee St., 6 p.m.
UT Martin at Austin Peay, 7 p.m.
SE Missouri at Murray St., 7 p.m.

MIDWEST

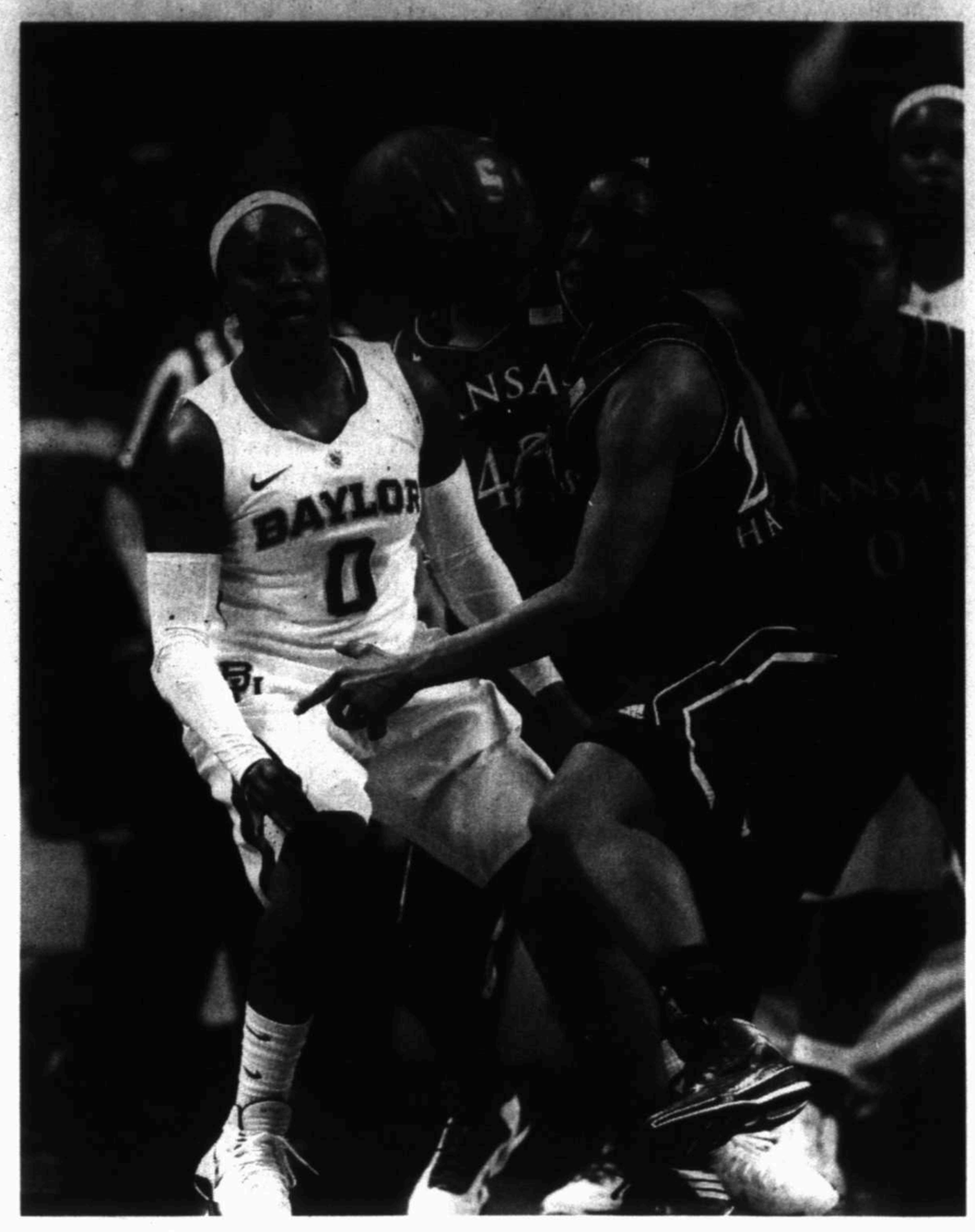
Illinois at Northwestern, 6 p.m.
Indiana at Purdue, 6 p.m.
E. Kentucky at E. Illinois, 7 p.m.
Morehead St. at SIU-Edwardsville, 7 p.m.

EAST

Vermont at Brown, 11:30 a.m.
St. Francis (Pa.) at CCSU, 7 p.m.
St. Francis (N.Y.) at Fairleigh Dickinson, 7 p.m.
LIU Brooklyn at Mount St. Mary's, 7 p.m.
Robert Morris at Sacred Heart, 7 p.m.
Bryant at Wagner, 7 p.m.

Sims scores 30 as No. 9 Baylor women wins against Kansas

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press



Rod Aydelotte/AP

Kansas guard CeCe Harper, right, and Baylor guard Odyssey Sims (0) eye a loose ball in the first half of Sunday's game in Waco.

WACO — Baylor guard Odyssey Sims is accustomed to opposing teams trying different things to stop her.

Kansas got a reminder Sunday of how difficult that really is.

Sims scored 30 points while matching the school record for career 3-pointers and the No. 9 Lady Bears stretched their home winning streak to 68 games with a 75-55 win.

"I've seen all of it just last year, so it wasn't anything new," said Sims, who has 70 points in the Lady Bears' two Big 12 games. "The biggest thing, whatever they threw at me I had to keep my composure, when they trap me, when they deny me the ball, and not turn it over.

All of those home wins span the career of Sims, the All-American senior point guard. The Lady Bears (12-1, 2-0 Big 12) have also won 42 consecutive conference games, and the conference streak is 51 in a row when including their three consecutive league tournament championships.

Freshman Nina Davis had 19 points and seven rebounds for Baylor.

CeCe Harper led Kansas (7-7, 0-2) with 15 points and seven assists, while Asia Boyd had 12 points.

The game was marred late when Kansas freshman guard Keyla Morgan had a seizure and was down face-first on the floor after colliding into the shoulder of a teammate after taking a shot with 1:18 left in the game. Morgan was tended to for several minutes, at one point wildly kicking both legs, before being put on a stretcher and taken off the court.

Morgan had multiple seizures while in high school in California, but Kansas coach Bonnie Henrickson said it is the first time Morgan has had any such issues with the Jayhawks.

"It's scary for all of us," Henrickson said. "At least I get to be out there and I can hear her talk, see that she's squeezing her hands and she can move her toes a little bit. ... She's in a great place for medical care and they'll evaluate her at the hospital, and we'll just wait to hear if we can take her home tonight."

While Morgan was being tended to, Baylor players went over to the Kansas bench and joined Jayhawks players for a prayer.

"I've never seen nothing like that," Sims said. "It was shocking, and I just couldn't believe it. But we're keeping her in our prayers. ... Hopefully everything will go OK and she'll be fine."

Kansas was within 17-15 when Harper had a steal and a breakaway layup after stealing a pass intended for Sims, the national scoring leader with 30 points a game. But Sims ended the mini-run by the Jayhawks with a tough layup.

Sims, whose 195th 3-pointer earlier had matched the Baylor record, missed two in a row from long range in one short stretch. She was clearly frustrated after the second shot ricocheted off the rim, but then responded by scoring seven straight points.

After passing up an open 3, Sims stepped in a gap between defenders and drove into the lane for a short jumper. She had a floater, and then drove in the lane and was in the air when she made contact with a defender. That shot also went in, a foul was called and Sims added the free throw to make it 27-15, giving the Lady Bears their largest lead before halftime.

Baylor had a 58-36 lead after Sune Agbuke's three-point play with 9:37 left in the game. With her back to the basket in the lane surrounded by defenders, Agbuke threw the ball over her shoulder while being fouled, and it went in the basket.

The closest Kansas got after that was 59-46 with about 8 minutes left when Natalie Knight made two free throws on a sequence when double technical fouls were called against Sims and Boyd while the two were together on the floor going after the ball. There was also another technical foul against Baylor, putting Knight at the line.

TOP25ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Men

NO. 4 WISCONSIN 75 NO. 22 IOWA 71

MADISON, Wis. — Ben Brust scored 19 points and No. 4 Wisconsin remained unbeaten with a 75-71 victory over No. 22 Iowa on Sunday night.

Wisconsin (15-0, 2-0 Big Ten) matched the best start in school history, tying the 1911-12 and 1913-14 teams.

NO. 8 WICHITA ST. 67 N. IOWA 53

WICHITA, Kan. — Fred VanVleet had a season-high 22 points to lead Wichita State to its 15th straight win.

Cleanthony Early had 18 points for Wichita State (15-0, 2-0 Missouri Valley), which established a school record for consecutive wins and extended the best start in school history. The previous record winning streak of 14 games came in 1953-54.

NO. 20 COLORADO 100 NO. 10 OREGON 91

BOULDER, Colo. — Askia Booker scored a career-high 27 points, 11 in the last 4:40, and Colorado rallied in the second half to hand Oregon its first loss of the season.

Spencer Dinwiddie added 23 points and Xavier Johnson and Josh Scott had 15 points apiece for Colorado (13-2, 2-0 Pac-12), which is off to its best start since the 1968-69 team began the season 13-2. Scott had 12 rebounds for the Buffaloes, who remain unbeaten in 11 home games this season.

NO. 11 VILLANOVA 91 PROVIDENCE 61

VILLANOVA, Pa. — Jay-Vaughn Pinkston scored 19 points and Dylan Ennis had 17 for Villanova.

Pinkston dunked off the opening tip, and the Wildcats (13-1, 2-0 Big East) dominated from there, thrashing the Friars (10-5, 0-2), who beat them twice last season. The Wildcats opened on a 9-0 run, and hit 10 of their first 11 shots to build a 24-point lead.

NO. 21 SAN DIEGO ST. 61 NO. 16 KANSAS 57

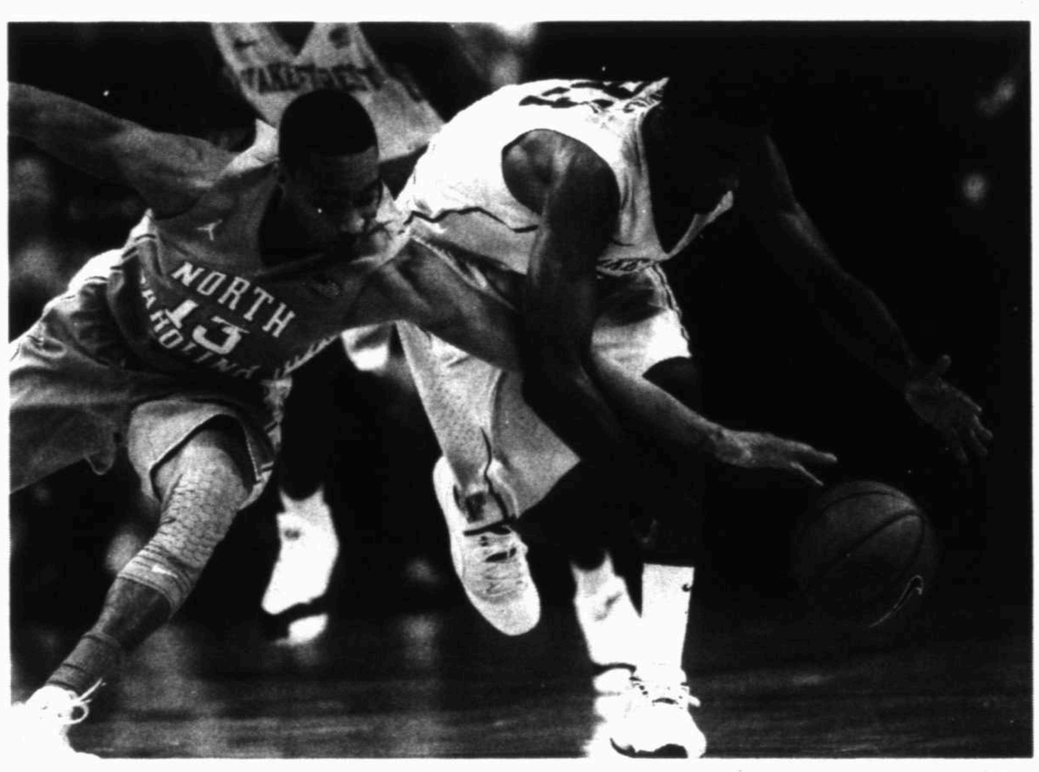
LAWRENCE, Kan. — Xavier Thames scored 16 points, four on free throws in the closing seconds, and San Diego State held on to end Kansas' 68-game non-conference winning streak at Allen Fieldhouse.

Kansas (9-4) had a chance to tie the game when Perry Ellis went to the free throw line with 11.9 seconds left. He made his first free throw but, after San Diego State (12-1) called a timeout to ice him, Ellis missed the second and the Jayhawks were forced to foul.

WAKE FOREST 73 NO. 19 NORTH CAROLINA 67

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. — Travis McKie scored 10 of his 16 points in the second half for Wake Forest in the Atlantic Coast Conference opener for both teams.

Codi Miller-McIntyre added 12 points for the Demon Deacons (11-3, 1-0), who took control with a 15-2 run midway through the second half to build a double-digit lead.



Neil Redmond/AP

North Carolina forward J.P. Tokoto, left, and Wake Forest forward Aaron Rountree III fight for the loose ball in the first half of Sunday's game in Winston-Salem, N.C.

Women

NO. 2 NOTRE DAME 71 CLEMSON 51

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Natalie Achonwa had 15 points and 13 rebounds to help No. 2 Notre Dame beat Clemson 71-51 in the Irish's ACC debut.

Jewell Loyd scored 12 of her 16 points in the second half, including a three-point play and a 3-pointer in a 17-4 Irish run after halftime to take control.

NO. 3 DUKE 64 GEORGIA TECH 47

ATLANTA — Elizabeth Williams had 18 points and 10 rebounds to help Duke beat Georgia Tech in the Atlantic Coast Conference opener for both teams.

Williams was 8-for-10 from the field, including 6-for-6 in the first half, as the Blue Devils (14-1, 1-0) defeated Georgia Tech for the 36th consecutive time. It was the second consecutive double-double for Williams, who also extended her streak of consecutive games with a blocked shot to 84.

NO. 4 STANFORD 89 OREGON STATE 67

STANFORD, Calif. — Chiney Ogwumike scored 17 of her 31 points in the first 8 1/2 minutes, and Stanford overwhelmed Oregon State.

Ogwumike's scintillating start powered the Cardinal (13-1, 2-0 Pac-12) to a 29-4 lead that put the game away in a hurry. She also finished with 13 rebounds, six assists, three steals and two blocks.

NO. 5 TENNESSEE 85 NO. 19 GEORGIA 70

ATHENS, Ga. — Ariel Massengale scored a career-high 28 points and Isabelle Harrison added 18 points and 10 rebounds to help Tennessee hold on for a victory over Georgia.

The Lady Volunteers (12-2, 1-1 Southeastern Conference) have won six straight and 14 of the last 15 series matchups with Georgia.

FLORIDA 83 NO. 6 KENTUCKY 73

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Jaterra Bonds scored 23 points to lead Florida to an upset of Kentucky for the Gators' eighth straight victory.

Florida (12-3, 2-0 Southeastern Conference) trailed 70-69 with four minutes but outscored the Wildcats 14-3 the remainder of the game for the final margin. The Gators made 12 of 16 free throws in the last four minutes and Kentucky failed to muster a field goal in the last eight minutes.

NO. 8 MARYLAND 79 NO. 10 NORTH CAROLINA 70

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — Alyssa Thomas had 21 points and 14 rebounds, and No. 8 Maryland beat North Carolina in the Terrapins' final ACC opener.

Shatori Walker-Kimbrough added 16 points, Katie Rutan had 14 points and four 3-pointers and Thomas polished off her 13th consecutive double-double to help the Terps (13-1, 1-0 ACC) win their 11th straight.

NO. 13 SOUTH CAROLINA 76 VANDERBILT 66

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Alaina Coates scored a career-high 24 points, had 10 rebounds and three blocks as South Carolina defeated Vanderbilt.

Coates shot 11 of 16 from the field. She has scored 20 or more points four times this season. South Carolina (14-1, 2-0 SEC) won its fourth straight over Vanderbilt.

NO. 14 IOWA STATE 82 NO. 25 OKLAHOMA 75, OT

NORMAN, Okla. — Jadda Buckley scored 29 points to help Iowa State defeat Oklahoma in overtime.

The Cyclones (13-0, 2-0 Big 12) shot 45.5 percent and made 13 3-pointers. Buckley was 9 of 10 from the field and hit six from beyond the arc. Hallie Christofferson had 23 points for Iowa State and Nikki Moody contributed 13 with six assists.

NO. 15 PENN STATE 87 NO. 22 IOWA 71

IOWA CITY, Iowa — Maggie Lucas hit five 3-pointers on her way to 27 points to lead Penn State to a victory over Iowa.

Penn State (10-3, 1-0 Big Ten) won its second game against a ranked opponent this season. Iowa (12-3, 0-1) lost for the first time at home this season.

NO. 16 LSU 63 TULANE 35

NEW ORLEANS — Reigning Southeastern Conference scoring champion Theresa Plaisance, playing in her hometown, scored 15 points and grabbed 14 rebounds to power Louisiana State to a win over Tulane.

Coming off an 80-77 win at No. 5 Tennessee Thursday, LSU (12-2, 1-0 SEC) has won three straight after a loss at NC State now has won 29 of 35 meetings with the Green Wave all-time.

N.C. STATE 67 NO. 20 SYRACUSE 62

RALEIGH, N.C. — Miah Spencer's layup with just over a minute to play put North Carolina State ahead and the Wolfpack sealed the win from the free throw line, knocking off Syracuse, in the Atlantic Coast Conference opener for both schools.

Syracuse, which joined the ACC after 31 seasons in the Big East, did not score after Brianna Butler's 3-pointer with 2:16 gave the Orange a two-point lead, 61-59. Syracuse (11-3, 0-1 ACC) is now 0-3 all-time against NC State and has lost back-to-back games, including a 63-60 loss to Arizona State that saw the Wildcats overcome a 25-point deficit.

NO. 23 CALIFORNIA 101 OREGON 98, OT

BERKELEY, Calif. — Reshanda Gray scored 33 points and grabbed 13 rebounds as California overcame a late rally from Oregon.

NO. 24 ARIZONA STATE 78 WASHINGTON 60

SEATTLE — Katie Hempen came off the bench to score a dozen points to lead Arizona State to a win over Washington in a Pac-12 Conference contest, returning to its winning ways against the Huskies.

Anthony spurs Knicks to win over Mavs

Associated Press

Knicks	92
Mavericks	80

DALLAS — Carmelo Anthony gave the Knicks an early lead and his New York teammates made it stand up.

Anthony scored 15 of his 19 points in the first quarter to lead five Knicks — three of them reserves — in double figures and New York held off a late rally to defeat the Dallas Mavericks 92-80 Sunday night.

New York led by as many as 19 points and held on when the Mavericks got within six in the last minute and a half to finish 2-1 on a four-day trip through Texas.

"It's been a successful trip," Knicks coach Mike Woodson said. "We lose a two-point game in Houston in which we had an opportunity to win. We played great in San Antonio. And to come in here and beat Dallas, who's playing well at home and playing well this season, it should be a boost for our team."

Kenyon Martin scored a season-high 14 points, starter Andrea Bargnani had in 13, Amare Stoudemire added 11 and Tim Hardaway scored eight of his 10 in the fourth quarter.

In addition, Beno Udrih had eight assists, Iman Shumpert scored seven points in the last 2 minutes and J.R. Smith had seven points and seven rebounds.

"I thought our bench was fantastic, and we are going to need our bench to play like they played tonight," Woodson said.

Mavericks coach Rick Carlisle agreed.

"Everybody on their team played well. Name a guy that didn't."

Dirk Nowitzki had 18 points and nine rebounds for the Mavericks, who lost their fourth consecutive home game. Their previous low score had been 87 points twice this season. The Knicks had allowed a season-low 78 in a victory at Chicago on Dec. 11.

Anthony scored six points during a 12-0 run in the first that gave the Knicks a 24-13 lead. He also led New York with four rebounds, three assists and two steals in the quarter. He finished with seven rebounds, five assists, three steals and a blocked shot.

After that, Dallas' Shawn Marion picked up his man-to-man defense on Anthony.

He didn't score in the second quarter, but the Knicks still outscored the Mavericks 23-18 for a 52-35 halftime lead. Bargnani had seven points in the second.

"I sprained my (right) ankle on the second play of the game," Marion said, "and I hurt my Achilles a little bit.

"I decided I had to make it hard for (Anthony). I was able to help the team after that."

In the third quarter, Martin scored six points in a 1:13 span that gave New York a 58-39 lead. He returned after missing Friday's game at Houston because of a sore left ankle.

"It was a little tender," Martin said, "but I knew Tyson (Chandler) was under the weather. At that point, it was mind over matter."

Martin filled in after starting center Chandler left because of illness, and had 10 of the Knicks' 15 points in the quarter.

"I didn't even know if Kenyon was going to play tonight," Woodson said. "We needed all of Kenyon tonight to carry this win."

The Mavericks had shot 36 percent (13 for 36) from the field in the first half and were 0 for 8 on 3-pointers. Dallas missed 8 of 17 free throws, including four by Nowitzki. He was 3 for 7 from the field and 5 for 9 from the foul line to finish with 11 points and seven rebounds in the half.

NBAROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

NUGGETS 137
LAKERS 115

LOS ANGELES — Ty Lawson had 20 points and 12 assists, Timofey Mozgov added 20 points and seven rebounds, and the Denver Nuggets beat the slumping Los Angeles Lakers 137-115 Sunday night for their second straight win after an eight-game skid.

Nate Robinson scored 21 points, while Wilson Chandler and Kenneth Faried added 17 apiece as the Nuggets dropped 77 points on the Lakers in the second half.

THUNDER 119
CELTICS 96

OKLAHOMA CITY — Reggie Jackson scored a career-high 27 points, Kevin Durant added 21 points, seven rebounds and eight assists, and the Oklahoma City Thunder halted their home-court swoon with a 119-96 win over the Boston Celtics on Sunday night.

Serge Ibaka added 17 points and 11 rebounds for Oklahoma City, which had lost three of its previous four home games after starting the season 13-0 at Chesapeake Energy Arena. The Thunder (27-7) have the best record in the Western Conference.

PACERS 82
CAVALIERS 78

CLEVELAND — Paul George scored 16 points, Roy Hibbert made a putback and two free throws in the final 1:09 and the Indiana Pacers held off Cleveland's late rally for an 82-78 win over the short-handed Cavaliers on Sunday night.

HEAT 102
RAPTORS 97

MIAMI — LeBron James scored 30 points, Michael Beasley came off the bench to add 17 and the Miami Heat held on down the stretch to beat the Toronto Raptors 102-97 Sunday night.

WARRIORS 112
WIZARDS 96

WASHINGTON — Klay Thompson scored 26 points, Stephen Curry and Andrew Bogut connected on a trick play worthy of the NBA's slam dunk contest, and the Golden State Warriors have their longest in-season winning streak since 1975 after Sunday night's 112-96 win over the Washington Wizards.

GRIZZLIES 112
PISTONS 84

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Jon Leuer matched a career-high with 23 points, Zach Randolph had 16 points and 16 rebounds, and the Memphis Grizzlies dominated the second half to beat the Detroit Pistons 112-84 on Sunday afternoon.

NBA STANDINGS AND BOXES

STANDINGS
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	16	16	.500	—
Boston	13	21	.382	4
Brooklyn	12	21	.364	4 1/2
Philadelphia	12	21	.364	4 1/2
New York	11	22	.333	5 1/2

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	26	8	.765	—
Atlanta	18	16	.529	8
Washington	14	17	.452	10 1/2
Charlotte	15	20	.429	11 1/2
Orlando	10	23	.303	15 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	27	6	.818	—
Chicago	14	18	.438	12 1/2
Detroit	14	20	.412	13 1/2
Cleveland	11	23	.324	16 1/2
Milwaukee	7	26	.212	20

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	26	8	.765	—
Houston	22	13	.629	4 1/2
Dallas	19	15	.559	7
New Orleans	15	17	.469	10
Memphis	15	18	.455	10 1/2

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	27	7	.794	—
Portland	26	8	.765	1
Denver	16	17	.485	10 1/2
Minnesota	16	17	.485	10 1/2
Utah	11	25	.306	17

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Golden State	23	13	.639	—
L.A. Clippers	23	13	.639	—
Phoenix	20	12	.625	1
L.A. Lakers	14	20	.412	8
Sacramento	10	22	.313	11

Sunday's Scores

Memphis 112, Detroit 84
Golden State 112, Washington 96
Indiana 82, Cleveland 78
Miami 102, Toronto 97
Oklahoma City 119, Boston 96
New York 92, Dallas 80
Denver 137, L.A. Lakers 115

Today's Games

Minnesota at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Atlanta at Brooklyn, 6:30 p.m.
Orlando at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

SUNDAY'S BOXES

KNICKS 92, MAVERICKS 80

NEW YORK (92): Anthony 6-16 6-8 19, Bargnani 6-12 0-0 13, Chandler 0-1 0-0 0, Udrih 2-6 0-0 4, Shumpert 3-5 2-2 9, Martin 7-8 0-0 14, Smith 3-8 0-0 7, Murry 2-5 1-2 5, Aldrich 0-0 0-0 0, Stoudemire 4-9 3-3 11, Hardaway Jr. 4-6 1-1 10, Tyler 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-76 13-16 92.

DALLAS (80): Marion 1-6 0-0 2, Nowitzki 6-11 5-9 18, Blair 5-6 1-1 11, Calderon 5-13 0-0 12, Ellis 6-13 0-0 13, Wright 3-5 1-2 7, Carter 4-13 3-6 13, Crowder 0-3 0-0 0, Larkin 2-5 0-0 4, Ellington 0-1 0-0 0, Mekel 0-2 0-0 0, James 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 32-78 10-18 80.

New York	29	23	15	25	— 92
Dallas	17	18	22	23	— 80

3-Point Goals—New York 5-13 (Bargnani 1-1, Hardaway Jr. 1-2, Anthony 1-3, Smith 1-3, Shumpert 1-3, Udrih 0-1), Dallas 6-26 (Carter 2-7, Calderon 2-8, Nowitzki 1-2, Ellis 1-4, Marion 0-1, Mekel 0-1, Crowder 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New York 54 (Smith, Anthony, Stoudemire 7), Dallas 42 (Nowitzki 9). Assists—New York 20 (Udrih 8), Dallas 13 (Calderon 6). Total Fouls—New York 18, Dallas 17. A—19,892 (19,200).

PACERS 82, CAVALIERS 78

INDIANA (82): George 4-10 6-6 16, West 4-13 3-4 11, Hibbert 5-12 5-8 15, G.Hill 3-5 0-0 8, Stephenson 4-8 0-0 10, Granger 4-12 0-0 10, Scola 3-8 0-0 6, Watson 0-6 4-4 4, Mahinmi 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 28-77 18-22 82.

CLEVELAND (78): Clark 0-6 2-2 2, Thompson 4-10 5-5 13, Varejao 3-9 1-1 7, Dellavedova 3-10 3-3 11, Miles 8-13 3-5 21, Waiters 6-17 0-0 14, Gee 0-5 0-0 0, Zeller 1-5 2-2 4, Bennett 2-4 2-2 6. Totals 27-79 18-20 78.

Indiana	22	22	23	15	— 82
Cleveland	18	17	23	20	— 78

3-Point Goals—Indiana 8-24 (G.Hill 2-4, Stephenson 2-4, George 2-6, Granger 2-7, Watson 0-3), Cleveland 6-20 (Miles 2-5, Dellavedova 2-5, Waiters 2-6, Bennett 0-1, Clark 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Indiana 54 (Scola 8), Cleveland 53 (Varejao 13). Assists—Indiana 17 (George 6), Cleveland 14 (Waiters 5). Total Fouls—Indiana 19, Cleveland 25. Technicals—George, Cleveland defensive three second 2. A—17,502 (20,562).

HEAT 102, RAPTORS 97

TORONTO (97): Ross 3-8 0-0 8, Johnson 7-13 3-5 17, Valanciunas 7-8 3-4 17, DeRozan 11-19 3-4 26, Lowry 5-14 2-4 14, Salmons 1-2 1-2 4, Patterson 5-13 0-2 11, Fields 0-0 0-0 0, Vasquez 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 39-77 12-21 97.

MIAMI (102): James 12-18 6-7 30, Lewis 1-2 0-0 2, Bosh 2-9 4-4 8, Chalmers 2-4 0-0 5, Wade 5-13 4-4 14, Andersen 2-2 0-0 4, Allen 1-7 4-4 6, Haslem 3-7 0-1 6, Beasley 7-12 3-5 17, Cole 2-5 2-2 7, Mason Jr. 1-2 0-0 3. Totals 38-81 23-27 102.

Toronto	29	22	33	13	— 97
Miami	29	23	27	23	— 102

3-Point Goals—Toronto 7-22 (Ross 2-6, Lowry 2-8, Patterson 1-1, Salmons 1-2, DeRozan 1-4, Johnson 0-1), Miami 3-11 (Chalmers 1-1, Cole 1-1, Mason Jr. 1-2, Lewis 0-1, Bosh 0-2, Allen 0-4). Fouled Out—Ross, Andersen. Rebounds—Toronto 46 (Johnson 8), Miami 48 (Bosh 11). Assists—Toronto 24 (Lowry 9), Miami 17 (James 5). Total Fouls—Toronto 23, Miami 24. A—20,020 (19,600).

WARRIORS 112, WIZARDS 97

GOLDEN STATE (112): Iguodala 3-5 3-4 9, Lee 10-16 1-2 21, Bogut 7-9 1-2 15, Curry 5-17 3-3 14, Thompson 9-14 2-2 26, Speights 2-6 3-3 7, Barnes 4-6 4-4 13, Green 1-4 0-0 3, Douglas 1-4 0-0 2, Bazemore 1-4 0-0 2, Kuzmic 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 43-85 17-20 112.

WASHINGTON (96): Ariza 1-7 2-2 4, Booker 4-6 0-0 8, Gortat 5-9 0-0 10, Wall 4-11 4-4 14, Beal 4-15 0-0 9, Webster 4-10 2-2 11, Nene 6-9 2-2 14, Temple 2-5 2-2 7, Singleton 2-3 2-2 7, Porter Jr. 1-4 2-2 4, Vesely 4-7 0-0 8. Totals 37-86 16-16 96.

Golden State	28	30	34	20	— 112
Washington	36	22	15	23	— 96

3-Point Goals—Golden State 9-22 (Thompson 6-9, Barnes 1-1, Green 1-2, Curry 1-5, Bazemore 0-2, Douglas 0-3), Washington 6-20 (Wall 2-3, Singleton 1-1, Beal 1-2, Temple 1-3, Webster 1-5, Porter Jr. 0-1, Ariza 0-5). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Golden State 52 (Lee, Bogut 11), Washington 42 (Booker, Vesely, Gortat 6). Assists—Golden State 24 (Curry 10), Washington 23 (Wall 10). Total Fouls—Golden State 15, Washington 17. Technicals—Booker. A—17,390 (20,308).

GRIZZLIES 112, PISTONS 84

MEMPHIS (112): Prince 6-11 2-2 15, Randolph 8-18 0-1 16, Koufos 3-10 2-2 8, Conley 6-14 0-0 15, Miller 1-3 4-4 6, Davis 7-11 3-5 17, Leuer 8-13 5-6 23, Bayless 3-7 2-2 10, Calathes 1-3 0-0 2, Johnson 0-2 0-0 0, Curry 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 43-92 18-22 112.

DETROIT (84): Smith 6-17 1-2 13, Monroe 8-17 3-5 19, Drummond 6-10 3-8 15, Jennings 2-14 0-0 4, Caldwell-Pope 6-8 0-0 14, Billups 1-2 0-0 2, Singler 2-3 2-4 7, Bynum 3-11 0-0 7, Jerebko 1-2 1-1 3, Harrellson 0-1 0-0 0, Datome 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 35-86 10-20 84.

Memphis	28	23	28	33	— 112
Detroit	27	29	11	17	— 84

3-Point Goals—Memphis 8-15 (Conley 3-6, Leuer 2-2, Bayless 2-3, Prince 1-1, Calathes 0-1, Miller 0-2), Detroit 4-17 (Caldwell-Pope 2-2, Singler 1-1, Bynum 1-4, Billups 0-1, Harrellson 0-1, Smith 0-2, Jennings 0-6). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Memphis 64 (Randolph 16), Detroit 50 (Drummond 14). Assists—Memphis 31 (Conley 6), Detroit 23 (Jennings 11). Total Fouls—Memphis 15, Detroit 20. Technicals—Davis, Memphis defensive three second, Drummond, Jennings, Detroit defensive three second. A—14,134 (22,076).

THUNDER 119, CELTICS 96

BOSTON (96): Green 8-15 0-0 19, Bass 1-5 2-2 4, Sullinger 3-11 3-6 9, Crawford 6-14 2-4 17, Bradley 7-16 3-4 19, Humphries 5-8 4-4 14, Wallace 0-2 1-4 1, Olynyk 3-6 0-0 7, Bogans 1-1 0-0 3, Pressey 1-2 0-0 3, Faverani 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 35-80 15-24 96.

OKLAHOMA CITY (119): Durant 6-13 9-10 21, Ibaka 8-13 1-2 17, Perkins 5-9 2-2 12, Jackson 9-12 6-9 27, Sefolosha 1-8 0-0 3, Collison 3-4 2-4 8, Lamb 5-10 0-0 13, Jones 2-5 2-2 6, Fisher 2-4 2-2 8, Adams 0-2 0-0 0, Roberson 1-2 0-0 2, Thabeet 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 43-83 24-31 119.

Boston	26	30	22	18	— 96
Oklahoma City	34	32	26	27	— 119

3-Point Goals—Boston 11-23 (Green 3-5, Crawford 3-7, Bradley 2-4, Pressey 1-1, Bogans 1-1, Olynyk 1-2, Sullinger 0-1, Wallace 0-2), Oklahoma City 9-19 (Jackson 3-3, Lamb 3-5, Fisher 2-3, Sefolosha 1-5, Jones 0-1, Durant 0-1, Ibaka 0-1). Fouled Out—Sullinger. Rebounds—Boston 51 (Sullinger, Olynyk 8), Oklahoma City 50 (Ibaka 11). Assists—Boston 23 (Crawford 7), Oklahoma City 28 (Durant 8). Total Fouls—Boston 26, Oklahoma City 16. Technicals—Durant, Oklahoma City defensive three second. A—18,203 (18,203).

NUGGETS 137, LAKERS 115

DENVER (137): Chandler 6-10 2-2 17, Faried 7-13 3-4 17, Hickson 2-5 2-4 6, Lawson 7-18 4-4 20, Foye 6-10 0-0 14, Arthur 2-7 0-0 4, Mozgov 8-10 4-5 20, Fournier 5-10 0-0 12, Robinson 7-11 4-5 21, Q.Miller 1-2 0-0 2, Hamilton 0-1 0-0 0, Randolph 2-2 0-0 4. Totals 53-99 19-24 137.

L.A. LAKERS (115): Johnson 1-5 0-0 2, Gasol 10-22 5-6 25, Sacre 6-6 3-5 15, Marshall 3-10 2-2 9, Meeks 8-15 7-7 23, Williams 2-7 0-2 5, Kelly 2-5 2-3 6, Young 8-15 4-4 21, Hill 2-4 5-7 9. Totals 42-89 28-36 115.

Denver	26	34	33	44	— 137
L.A. Lakers	29	32	22	32	— 115

3-Point Goals—Denver 12-29 (Robinson 3-5, Chandler 3-6, Fournier 2-3, Foye 2-5, Lawson 2-7, Hamilton 0-1, Mozgov 0-1, Hickson 0-1), L.A. Lakers 3-21 (Young 1-3, Marshall 1-5, Williams 1-6, Kelly 0-1, Meeks 0-3, Johnson 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Denver 63 (Faried 13), L.A. Lakers 43 (Gasol 10). Assists—Denver 32 (Lawson 12), L.A. Lakers 26 (Marshall 17). Total Fouls—Denver 25, L.A. Lakers 18. Technicals—Robinson. A—18,997 (18,997).

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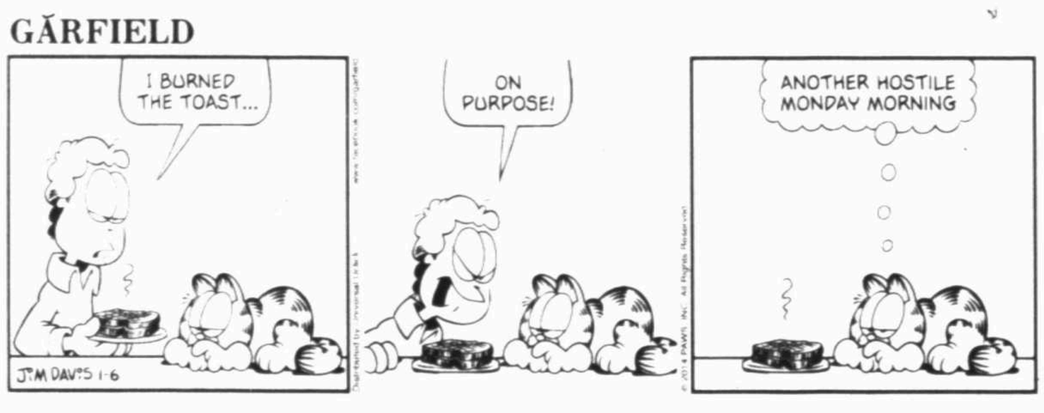

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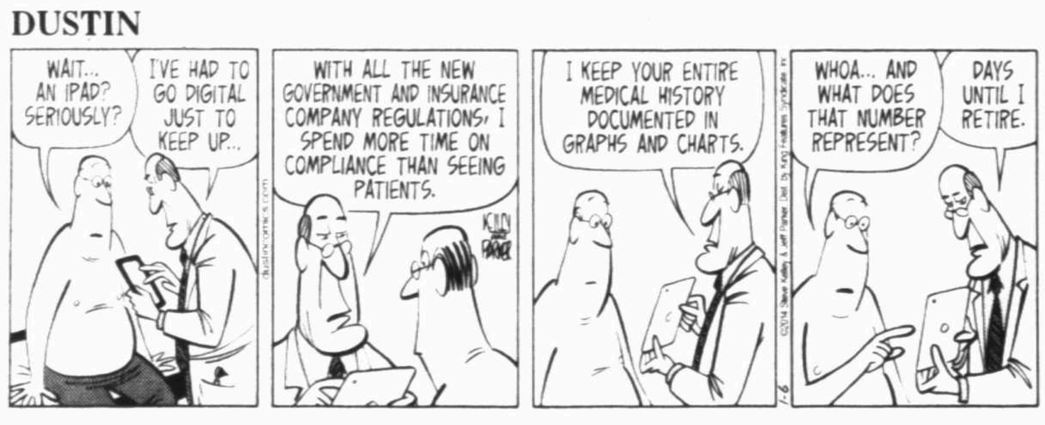

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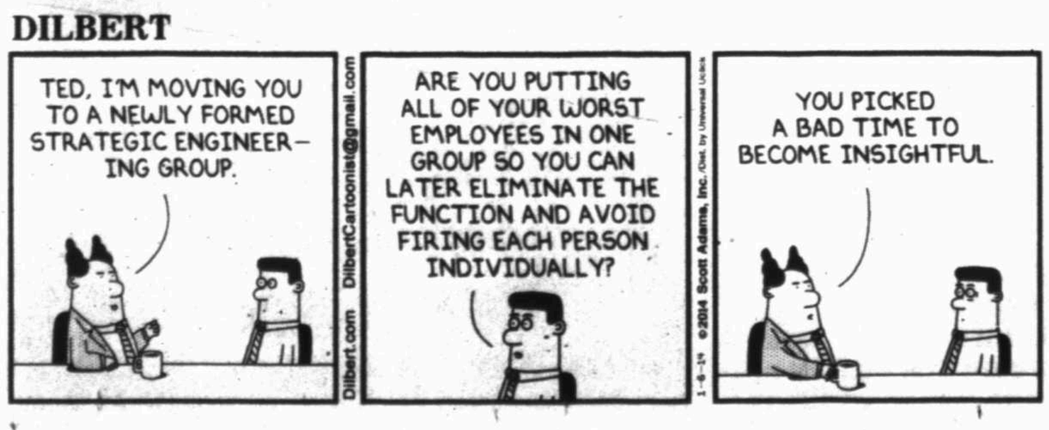

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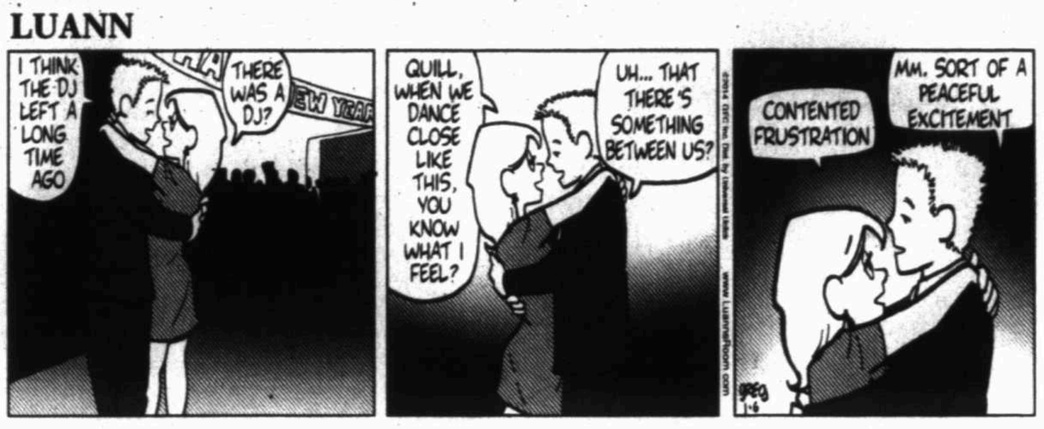

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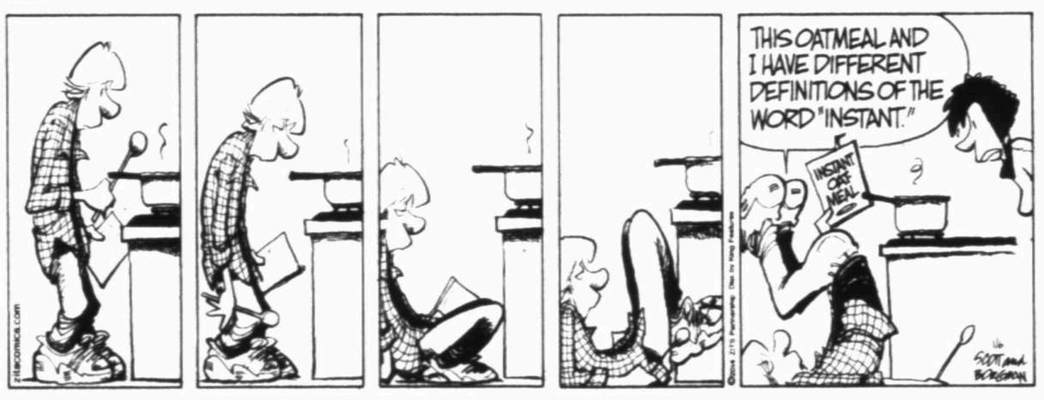

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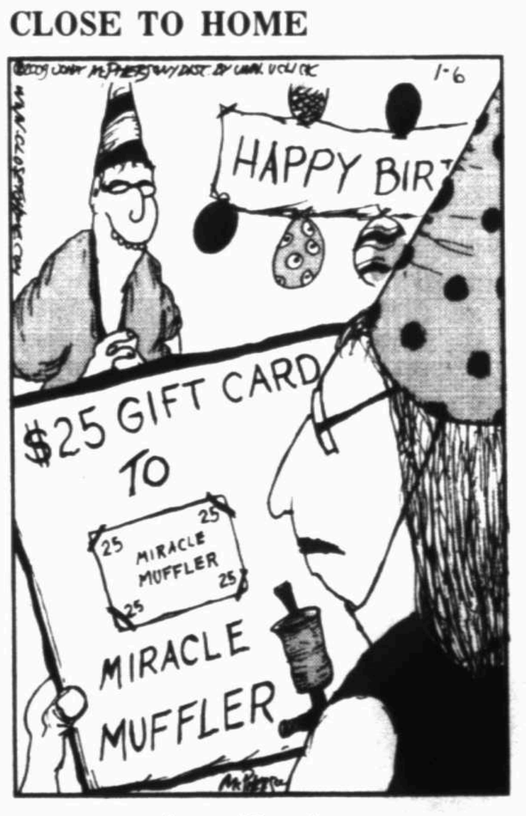


Lame gift cards.

DENNIS THE MENACE

"MARGARET SAYS I LIVE IN MY OWN WORLD, BECAUSE SHE'S FROM ANOTHER PLANET."

LOCKHORNS

"LORETTA MUST STILL BE ANGRY... SHE'S TYPING IN 72 POINT AND ALL CAPS."

FAMILY CIRCUS

"Are you sure we can't keep it up one more day? Maybe it just needs a little more water."

TODAY: Sunny — High: 32 Low: 19

TUESDAY: Sunny — High: 49 Low: 32

WEDNESDAY: Mostly sunny — High: 62 Low: 30

THURSDAY: Partly sunny — High: 56 Low: 37

FRIDAY: Partly sunny — High: 60 Low: 33

SATURDAY: Mostly sunny — High: 54 Low: 33

Local forecast

Expect sunny skies today with a high around 32 and northeast winds between 5 and 15 mph becoming southeast in the afternoon. Tonight's forecast calls for clear conditions with a low around 19 and south winds around 5 mph.

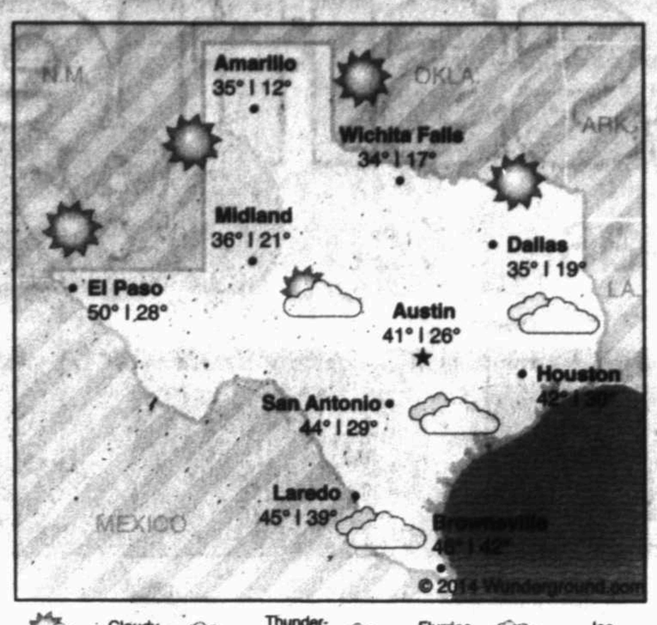
Tuesday, look for sunny skies with a high around 49 and south winds between 5 and 15 mph. Expect partly cloudy conditions at night, with a low around 32 and south winds between 10 and 15 mph.

Wednesday, the forecast calls for mostly sunny skies during the day, partly cloudy skies at night, with a high around 62 and a low around 30.

The high on Sunday reached 43, while the low dropped to 25. The record high for Jan. 5 is 80 set in 1994. The record low is 2 set in 1971.

National forecast

A batch of bitterly cold, arctic air that originated in the Northwest Territories of Canada and the Arctic Ocean will continue to make headway into the East today. After an early morning high temperature along the Interstate 95 corridor from Portland, Maine, to Washington, D.C., temperatures will fall.



Partly Cloudy · Cloudy · Showers · Thunder-storms · Rain · Flurries · Snow · Ice

Precipitation

Saturday	0.00 in.
Sunday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.00 in.
Year total	0.00 in.
Normal total (year to date)	0.07 in.

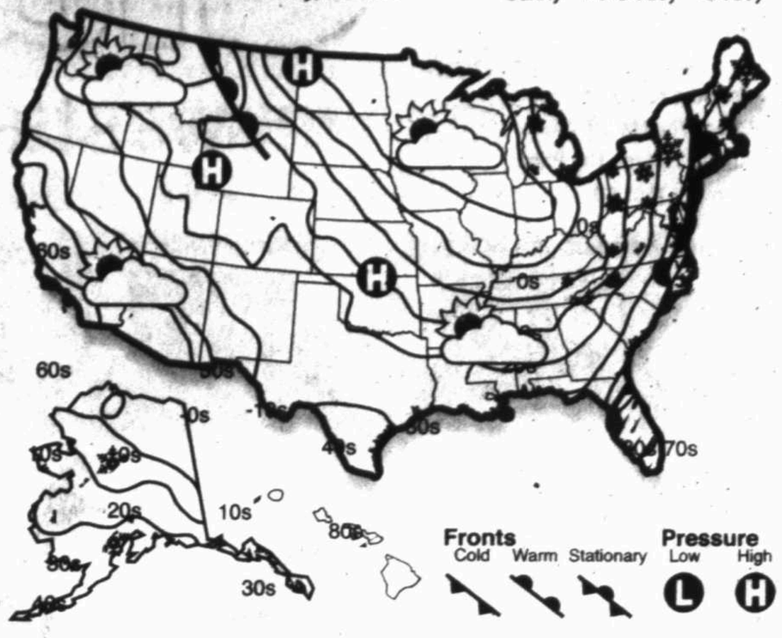
Sunday's temperatures

High	43
Low	25
Normal high	57
Normal low	30
Sunrise	7:50 a.m.
Sunset	6:00 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Monday, Jan. 6

Sunny · Pt. Cloudy · Cloudy



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Single woman is losing touch with friends who have kids

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: I'm a 28-year-old woman with a fantastic job, a wonderful boyfriend and many friends whom I love dearly. I'm the only one without a child.

Maybe I don't understand because I'm not a parent myself, but all my friends can talk about is children. Whereas before, we were interested in each other's lives, I feel like my concerns and accomplishments are being brushed off. An example: I was excited to meet up with a pal to talk about my promotion, but the hour-long dinner was spent mostly teaching her child how to walk between the tables of the restaurant.

I enjoy hearing about my friends and their families, but I feel they are no longer interested in me. Am I expecting too much because we're at different points in our lives, or am I a bad friend? I'm growing resentful, and I don't like it. Any words of wisdom? — STILL RELEVANT IN MASSACHUSETTS

DEAR STILL RELEVANT: You and your friends ARE at different stages of life. When you were in your teens, you and your friends would talk about dating. Then, as you grew older, the conversations revolved around college, jobs and marriage. As people experience the later stages of life, they talk about other things that are going on in their lives — children, grandkids, aging parents and, finally, their own health concerns.

You'll maintain and enjoy these friendships longer if you understand that. In the meantime, try to set some "adult time only" with your friends.

DEAR ABBY: I have been divorced for 14 years and have dated some, but not a lot. I recently signed up for an online dating service, and here is my dilemma: I have a felony conviction from 25-plus years ago. It did not involve violence, drugs, sex, stealing, etc. It was for a white-collar crime. I received four years of probation, which I served without a hitch.

My question is not if I should tell someone about my conviction, but WHEN. If I say anything at our first meeting, I'm pretty sure it will also be the last meeting. At the same time, I don't want it to appear that I was hiding it from them.

I might add, this is the only time I have ever been in trouble with the law. I'd appreciate your advice on how to deal with this. — ONLINE DATING IN TEXAS

DEAR DATING: The time to tell someone about your conviction is when the relationship stops being casual. At that point, you should disclose that there is a chapter from your past that you think the person should know about — and it's one that will never be repeated.

DEAR ABBY: After 25 years, I have finally admitted to myself that I'm married to a workaholic, alcoholic woman-izer. I have devoted my entire adult life, my time, effort and energy to my family. Now I feel used, abused and disrespected. I'm grateful to be a member of Al-Anon. It has helped me to understand that I cannot change anyone but me.

I have raised three great, successful grown kids. I have yet to make a decision for myself. I married for life. Must I continue to suffer in silence? Or do I hope that there is love, kindness and respect out there to be had? — STALLING IN IOWA

DEAR STALLING: Let me remind you what you've already learned in Al-Anon: You cannot change anyone but yourself. The same is true of your circumstances.

You are entitled to receive the same love and respect that you offer to others. I cannot guarantee that you'll find love. Because your workaholic, alcoholic, womanizing husband hasn't changed in a quarter of a century, it's obvious he has no intention of doing so.

You don't need to find another man in order to be happier than you are now. Being alone could give you peace, contentment and happiness. The question you need to answer honestly for yourself is whether you would be happier without your husband's negative influence in your life.

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 Monday, Jan. 6, 2014:

This year you often are very sensitive to others, and you express empathy with ease. You also frequently can be found playing the role of cheerleader, encouraging those around you to go for their dreams. If you are single, you are likely to meet someone very significant to your life's history. You will know when you meet this person. If you are attached, the two of you enjoy each other's company, and you seem to have a psychic connection. You know what the other is thinking. ARIES often grinds on your nerves.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ You might have a firmer grasp on what is happening than the person who informs you of what is going on. This person likes to feel important. Say little. Play it low-key, and you will gather more information. Tonight: Only what you want.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ Zero in on what you want during the morning. Don't hesitate. You might need to consider how you'd like to proceed with a different matter in the afternoon. Consider your options carefully and discuss them with someone you often brainstorm with. Tonight: Not to be found.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Your directness is more desirable than you think. Stay in touch with your goals as discussions ensue. You can identify with others. As a result, you could lose your ability to stay centered. Do not allow this to happen. Tonight: In the middle of the action.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ You might want to hear the other side of an argument. Though you still might not agree with what is being said, you could see a way of incorporating two ideas that seem in opposition but actually have the same basis. Tonight: Till the wee hours.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ A close associate might have a lot to share. Encourage this person to express his or her intuitive sense more often. You will be able to understand an issue in a new way because of what is shared with you. Proceed accordingly. Tonight: Make plans for the near future.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ Rethink a personal decision, especially if someone close to you offers a new insight. Do nothing to damage the situation, and if possible, give yourself some breathing room. Put this decision on hold for now. Tonight: Have an important discussion first.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Understand what you are doing and why. Your need to handle a matter regarding real estate or your personal life is legitimate. Once you clear up this issue, you will find the right direction for you to head in. Tonight: The only answer is "yes."

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Your creativity seems to be focused on a key issue. By the afternoon, your imaginative streak could fall flat or not be as helpful. Your initial idea will prove to be the right one to pursue. Others will be more enthusiastic than you had expected. Tonight: Remain playful.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ Touch base with a family member who has a very different perspective from you about a domestic matter. Recognize what is happening with a loved one, as he or she might want you to be more involved with an important project. Tonight: Forget tomorrow. Enjoy today!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ You will admire what a close friend thinks about a controversial issue. This person's neutrality touches you deeply. You might wonder what is needed to make a certain situation easier to handle. Discuss the situation with this person. Tonight: A must appearance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ You could see a situation in a much more relatable and viable way than you had in the past. Recognize the change in your perspective, and explain it in a conversation with one of the parties involved. Tonight: Hang out.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ When handling your finances, it would be wise to make a decision regarding your limits. What is important to you? The holidays could have wreaked havoc on your budget. Take this opportunity to recalibrate your spending. Tonight: Make a favorite meal.

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BORN TODAY

Poet Kahlil Gibran (1883), writer Carl Sandburg (1878), golfer Nancy Lopez (1957)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Bidding Quiz

Q 1 — East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ A 8 6 5 ♡ J ◇ A Q J 8 ♣ K 10 9 8
The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1◇	Pass	1NT	2♡

What call would you make?
A — It is unusual, after opening one diamond, to re-bid in clubs holding only 4-4 length in the two suits. Partner's response denied a four-card major, therefore, he must have a four-card or longer minor. Bid three clubs! Partner will never give you a preference back to diamonds with only three-card diamond support.

Q 2 — East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ Void ♡ K J 6 ◇ A J 10 7 2 ♣ A K 9 7 4
The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1◇	2♠	Pass	Pass

What call would you make?
A — Playing negative doubles, partner's pass may not denote weakness. He might have a good hand with spade strength. For this reason, you must keep the bidding open whenever you are short in the opponent's suit. You should choose to double if your hand can stand a penalty pass by partner. Your aces and kings will contribute plenty to the defense. Double!

Q 3 — Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ Q 4 3 ♡ A J 5 4 ◇ 2 ♣ A K J 7 6
The bidding:

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

What call would you make?
A — It is tempting to force to game, but should partner have soft values in diamonds, the hand might play poorly. Bid three hearts, invitational.

Q 4 — East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ A K J 8 4 3 ♡ K 10 5 4 ◇ Void ♣ K Q 8
The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♠	Pass	1NT	Pass

What call would you make?
A — Resist any temptation to bid three spades. Partner might have short spades with four or more hearts and an easy game, or more, could be missed. Bid two hearts.

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1 Rose Parade vehicle
6 Had a snack
9 Got older
13 Garlicky mayo
14 Mark of an old cut
15 Wind of 32 to 63 mph, on the Beaufort scale
16 Item on a 9-Down
17 "I am ze locksmith of love, no?" speaker
19 Naval Acad. grad
20 Mr. Kringle
22 Opposing army
23 Voting alliance
24 Moved quickly
26 "Andale! Andale! Arriba! Arriba!" speaker
32 Took a risk
33 Olympian queen
34 Lodge member
35 Genesis grandchild
36 Selected
38 951, in old Rome
39 Novelist Rand
40 "In __ of gifts ..."
41 French city where Joan of Arc died
42 "That's a joke, ah say, that's a joke, son" speaker
46 Snowfall unit
47 France, under Caesar
48 Extremely high heel
51 Toothbrush brand
53 Run up the phone bill, perhaps
56 "I'm hunting wabbits" speaker
58 Puerto Rican pal
60 Very close
61 "Your guess __ good ..."
62 Kelly's 2000s morning co-host
63 Calendar squares
64 Super __: game console
65 See 59-Down

DOWN
1 Unavoidable outcome
2 King of the jungle
3 Butterfingers' cry
4 "The Greatest" boxer
5 __ pink: delighted
6 Highest poker pair
7 Footwear for Gregory Hines
8 Old-style "prior to"
9 List of items to be discussed
10 Stare in wonder
11 Preteen sch.
12 Wet, as grass at sunup
14 Like much Cajun cuisine
18 TV host Gibbons
21 Reel partner
23 Hive insects
25 With regard to, on memos
26 Japanese electronics giant
27 Pitchfork point
28 Grave robber
29 Madagascar primate
30 Actress Barkin
31 Potato covering
32 Unable to hear
36 Mag. sales
37 Chicken coop
38 Like many a fall day
40 Hardly a social butterfly
41 Strawberry's partner-in-pie
43 Walkers on trails
44 "Jeepers!"
45 __ pal
48 Drop in a mailbox
49 Ardent request
50 Noncommittal response
52 Dietary stds
53 Prefix with byte
54 Not fer
55 Greenish-yellow pear
57 Creepy "Jaws" sighting
59 With 65-Across, longtime voice of 17-, 26-, 42- and 56-Across

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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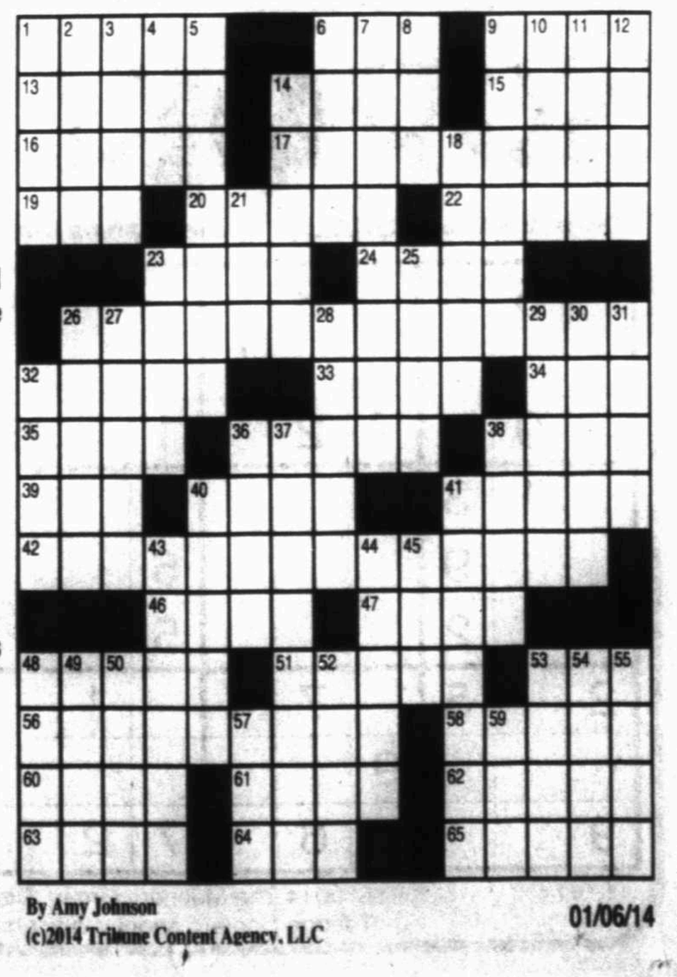

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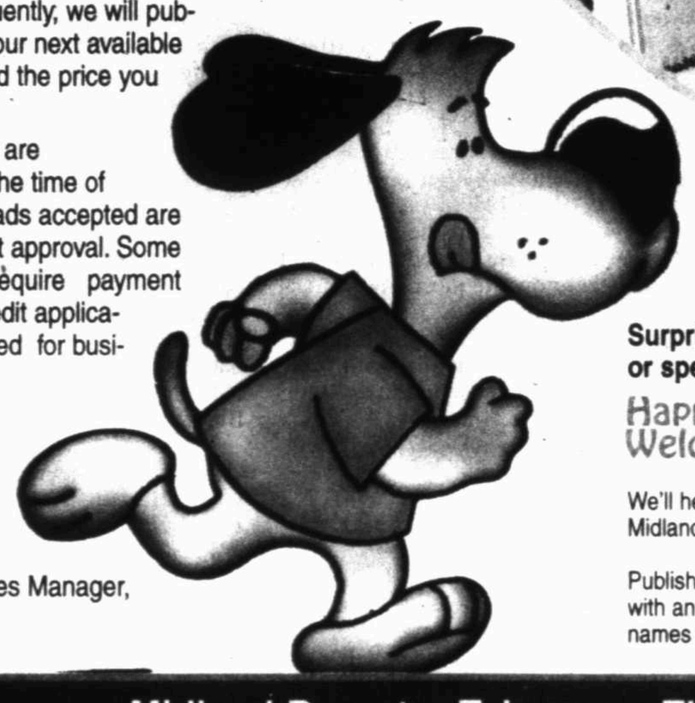

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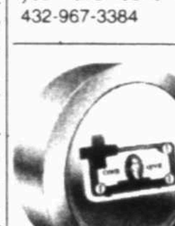

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4WD & SUV

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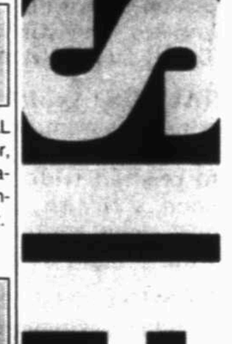

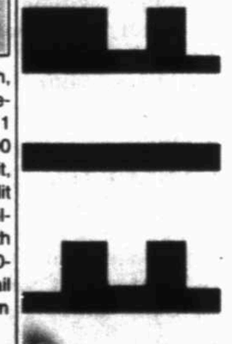

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SOLUTION TO SATURDAY'S PUZZLE

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ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

Tax Preparer Training

Liberty Tax Service FT/PT

Register now for a FREE 1 week training course. Learn the latest tax information. Day and evening classes available starting January 6th. Apply for seasonal job opportunities. Call 432-694-1990.

CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

RECEPTIONIST/ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Independent Oil & Gas Company seeking a Receptionist/Administrative Assistant. Hours are Monday thru Friday 8:00am - 5:00pm. Duties include: front desk reception, answering phones, sorting mail, making travel arrangements, and other administrative duties. Candidate must be dependable, a team player, and proficient in both Word and Excel. Full-time benefits offered. Interested parties should send resumes with references to: 432-682-4325 (Fax) spresley@naguss.com (Email)

Receptionist

Dr. Wilbur Linebeck FT

Extremely busy Doctor's office is looking for full time receptionist. Must be dependable, trustworthy and self motivated great people skills and organization skills, able to multitask. Job duties would include but not limited to answering phones, faxing, pulling charts, scheduling patient appointments, and closing duties.
CONFIDENTIALITY IS A MUST!!

Hours from 9:00 am-5:00 pm Monday-Friday.
*Bring Resume from 9am - 3pm Monday-Friday Only!

EDUCATION & TRAINING

Nine

817-945-1051 • 817-945-1065 (fax) • 8101 Boat Club Road, Suite 330 • Fort Worth, Texas 76179

Nine Energy Service, Inc. seeks an Administrative Assistant for our Midland, Texas facility.

This position requires an applicant to sort and data-enter information for daily statistical reports, maintain electronic file system, assist in on-boarding of employees, arrange travel and route phones, visitors and mail.

Qualified applicants must be proficient in Microsoft Word and Excel, able to operate a multiline phone system, possess strong Customer Service skills, sound judgment, attention to detail and effective use of time.

He/She would react well under pressure; manage competing demands; deal with frequent change, delays or unexpected events; commit to long hours of work when necessary to reach goals.

Competitive pay and full benefits. Qualified candidates may e-mail cover letter and resume to angela.jordan@nineenergyservice.com no later than January 15, 2014.

Nine Nine

ENERGY & UTILITIES

Available Positions

Lighthouse Energy Solutions FT

Lighthouse Energy Solutions has openings for the following positions Clerical, Sales Person, Service Technician, Shop Hand, & Truck Pusher in the Big Lake area. Benefits include annual bonus, paid insurance, company vehicle & 2 weeks paid vacation. Qualified applicant will have clean driving record, drug free & able to work nights & weekends. Salary DOE. Please contact Bill Keller at 432-699-7744 for interview or email resume to bill@lighthouseenergy.org.

DIRECTIONAL DRILLER

Directional drilling company seeking experienced drillers in West Texas. Must have at least 2 yrs experience. Send resume to resumes@aimdir.com.

HEALTHCARE

Experienced Registered Dental Assitant

Family dental office seeks **registered dental assistant** to join our team. Must be currently licensed, energetic, and personable. Prefer at least 2 years of experience. Submit resume with references by fax: **432-570-6028.** Mail or drop by: **A. Andrew Wilson III, DDS, 4410 N Midkiff RD Ste D217, Midland TX 79705**

In-Home Nurse

CNS is looking for a caring and compassionate in-home health care RN or LPN in Midland, Texas, that is interested in working flexible hours, caring for an elderly patient. Qualified applicants must hold a valid state RN or LPN license and have a stable work history. Provide a continuously appropriate, comprehensive and responsive plan of care for each patient and has the ability to travel when required. Critical Nurse Staffing, Inc. is an equal opportunity employer, M/F/V/D and a drug free workplace.

OTHER JOBS

NOW HIRING EXTRA! EXTRA!

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR NIGHT TIME ASSOCIATE

Night time associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to count at a fast pace. Be able to work between the hours of 12-6 am Sunday night thru Friday night and be able to work Saturday night 8pm -4am. Will be working inside and outside depending on the job you are doing that night. Will be 5-6 nights per week. We will train the right person

Pay $10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required; we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and Social Security card with dependable transportation.

Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois. Lobby Information Desk • Monday-Friday 8-5 or email: jmaddox@hearstnp.com
NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR PART TIME DAY ASSOCIATE

NOW HIRING EXTRA! EXTRA!

Part Time Day Associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to work Monday thru Saturday from 8am-6pm. Tuesday will be here later till about 8 or 9 pm. Need to be able to work on your feet thru 6-8 hour shift. Will work at night occasionally. We will train the right person

Pay $10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

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HEALTHCARE

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL SEMINOLE HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Positions Available:

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Registered Nurses
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Division Director of Extended Care Services

Part-Time
Medical Record Clerk
Dietary Aide
Housekeeping
Respiratory Therapist

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www.seminolehospitaldistrict.com

OTHER JOBS

Housekeeper

Villa Chateau Apartments FT

Full time Housekeeper needed. Physical/Drug screen & Background check done. Apply in person at: Villa Chateau Apts., 1603 N. Midkiff Rd. Midland, TX 79701. No phone calls please.

Janitor/General Cleaners

ABM Janitorial PT

Part time Janitorial positions available. Work Monday-Friday, 5:30-9:30pm, no weekends. Apply at 201 W. Wall Ste 105, Midland, TX 79701.

Janitorial Help

Part-time Janitorial work in the evening. Apply at: 2311 Elizabeth Ave or call 432-570-9903.

Position Available

Outreach & development, some travel, Part time. Send resume to kwilkerson@jdrf.org

Tax Preparer Training

Liberty Tax Service FT/PT

Register now for a **FREE** 1 week training course. Learn the latest tax information. Day and evening classes available starting January 6th. Apply for seasonal job opportunities. Call **432-694-1990**.

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

DOMINO'S PIZZA is now hiring Delivery Drivers! We are looking for Awesome Team Members that want to earn cash daily! Delivery drivers earn a great hourly wage while taking home their tips and delivery reimbursement daily! Do you like cash in your pocket? Have a vehicle with insurance? Have a decent motor vehicle record and background? Well this is the job for you! Not sure yet?

Email us at dominos@clearwire.net
with your name and phone number and we will call you to answer any question you may have before you decide to apply! We will make the hiring process as easy as possible for you! As always, come on down to any of our Midland/Odessa locations and apply at any time!
Or apply at www.indeed.com
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coming soon: company delivery vehicles for you to drive!
Apply today!)

Now Hiring

Lori's Cafe hiring dishwashers & cooks. Experience required. Apply on site 2201 W. Wall

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SALES JOBS

Multi-Media Sales Consultant

The Midland Reporter-Telegram and mywesttexas.com advertising department is looking for a Multi-Media Sales Consultant. The ideal candidate will have a proven track record of personal sales successes, preferably in a newspaper/media environment. Some knowledge of the advertising industry would be helpful, but not required.

Duties for this position will include, but are not limited to selling advertising in all print publications of the Midland Reporter-Telegram and all online products, including mywesttexas.com.

Qualifications & Skills:

- *Ability to work in a fast-paced, deadline oriented environment*
- *Excellent customer service and time management skills*
- *Highly organized with the ability to work independently with minimal supervision*
- *Detail-oriented with good communication, spelling and math skills*

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If you are the one we are looking for, please send current resume to:

Jeri Houston, Advertising Sales Manager
Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois Avenue, Midland, TX 79701
or email to: jhouston@mrt.com

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SKILLED LABOR

Forklift Operator

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an opening in its Production Department for the Position of "Fork Lift Operator" and other duties as assigned.

JOB REQUIREMENTS:

- Ability to read and write
- Ability to lift up to 50 lbs.
- Ability to bend and reach overhead
- Ability to count accurately and do simple math
- Able to operate a forklift and willing to be certified
- Be reliable, responsible and able to follow instructions
- Capable of standing and walking for extended period of time
- Able to work in various environments that include winter and summer conditions.
- Must be able to work weekends when necessary

RESPONSIBILITES:

- Accurate loading and unloading of printed materials in a safe and efficient manner
- Ensure material are efficiently/properly stacked and stored in appropriate and designated areas
- Perform other non-forklift duties when assigned

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Send resume and salary requirements to: **John Maddox, Director of Production/Facilities**
c/o Midland Reporter Telegram - 201 E. Illinois St - Midland, TX 79701
Email to: jmaddox@hearstnp.com
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SALES JOBS

APPRENTICE

Peerless Tyre Company FT

Do you have the desire to make an above average income? Peerless Tyre Co. is now hiring for an Apprentice. Person should have previous sales experience or tire experience but not necessary. Person must be over 18 years of age, possess a valid driver's license and pass a pre-employment drug screen and background check. Starting **$12/hour** or depending on experience. Apply **2804 W. Wall, Midland** or **3401 Andrews Hwy, Odessa**

Sales Associate

Wood's Boots FT/PT

Start the New Year off right! Wood's Boots is adding to our sales team at both Midland locations. It is a good environment with great customers, the best hours in retail, room for advancement, and benefits. Stop in at 4803 Andrews Hwy or 812 W I-20 for an application.

STORE MANAGERS and CASHIERS

Smoker's Outlet is looking for **Store Managers** and **Cashiers** in the Midland area. We offer competitive wages and a good work environment. Paid weekly. Go by your nearest **Smoker's Outlet** to apply.

SKILLED LABOR

2 Backhoe Operators

FirstShot Production Services, LLC FT

2 Backhoe Operators with CDL needed. 3 yrs exp required. contact Harvey at 432-853-4932 or apply in person at 1601 Idlewilde Dr.

Apprentice/Journeyman Electricians

Apprentice/Journeyman Electricians needed. Fort Worth Electrical Contractor needs Apprentice and Journeyman Electricians for work in Andrews, TX area. Please fax resume, list of experience & salary requirements to: 817-355-5355. Attn: H.R. Dept.

Electricians

Confidential FT
Midland, TX 79701

Experienced Electricians needed. Please call 432-413-9344

Field Tech

Biotech, Inc. is needing a Field technician to treat oil wells in the Midland area. Good pay, insurance, benefits. Must have current drivers' license with good driving record and pass drug screen. CDL not required. Send resumes to tjones@biotechinc.org

Journeyman Electrician/Line Crew Foreman

Tessco - Energy Division FT

Excellent Pay, Journeyman Electrician - Line Crew Foreman - Electical Apprentice - Linemen - Equipment Operator. 401K, Paid Vacation, Holiday Pay, etc. Valid Drivers License/Drug Screen Required. Apply in Person: TESSCO-Energy Division, 2201 N. HWY 137 Stanton, TX 432-756-2201

Long time respected drilling fluids company needs Experienced Drilling Mud Technician in the Permian Basin. Applicant needs to have 2+ years experience in the Permian or equivalent area and be versed in water based and oil based systems. Company offers insurance, 401K, scheduled days off, vacations and FRC clothing reimbursement and other incentives. Please send resume to c/o MRT Box M34 201 E. Illinois, Midland, TX, 79701

Multiple Positions

Confidential FT/
Midland, TX 0-1 Years Exp.

Wood production facility has immediate openings for production laborers in Midland. Please call 806-773-2520 to schedule an interview.

Now Hiring

Mattlock Drilling FT

Are you needing a change? Want to work close to home?
Have at least 6 months experience working as a actual hand on a drilling rig and have never worked for us. Then Mattlock Drilling is the place for you. We offer insurance after 90 days and vacation after a year.The schedule is 12 days on and 4 off. NO CAMP JOBS.
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Top Wages. If interested come in and apply at 12505 WCR 124, Odessa Texas, 79765. Off of business 20 and the coors road. NO PHONE CALLS. Drug and Alcohol Testing. EOE

Oilfield Solutions, Inc.

EXCELLENT CAREER OPPORTUNITY. Need Blenders/ Reactor Operators. We offer health insurance, vacation pay and ability to advance within growing company. Must pass pre-employment drug screen. Apply in person at 2614 S. County Rd 1257 Midland, TX 79706 or call 432-561-5071

Shop/Field Mechanics

Basin Engine and Pump FT

Shop and Field Mechanics needed for Industrial Oilfield Shop. Uniforms provided. Benefits package. Pay DOE. Please submit resume by fax to 432-570-1115 or email to felicia@basinengine.com. Office 432-570-1114. Applications may be filled out at: 1914 South County Rd 1083, Midland, TX.

SKILLED LABOR

PRESSMAN

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an immediate opening in its Production Department for the position of: PRESSMAN for our Harris N 1650 Printing presses,
This 5-6 day per week, fast paced, deadline oriented position, requires: night shift/weekend work, with a strong emphasis on safety. The Midland Reporter-Telegram offers a full package of company benefits including 401K program. Salary DOE.
Send resume and salary requirements to:
John Maddox, Director of Production/Facilities
c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram 201 E. Illinois St., Midland, TX 79701. E-mail:jmaddox@hearstnp.com
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TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

CDL and Non CDL Drivers

B & B Wrecker Service is looking to hire **CDL** and **Non CDL Drivers**. Must be 21 years or older. Good driving record. Paid every Friday. Health insurance provided. Please come by **2823 S. Rankin Hwy.**

Class A CDL Drivers

Permian Petroleum Services, Inc. FT

Now hiring experienced Class A CDL vacuum truck, tank truck and hot oil truck drivers with appropriate endorsements and clean driving records. Competitive wages, paid health insurance, uniforms and vacations. Retirement, family medical, dental and vision plans available. Apply to 4601 Rankin Highway, Midland, call 432-682-0434, or fax resume to 432-683-7407. Mailing address is P. O. Box 3663, Midland, TX 79702.

Class A CDL Truck Drivers

Prefer drivers with Pneumatic Tanker experience. Benefits include: driver $2,000 sign-on bonus, medical, life and dental insurance, and paid vacation. Applicants having experience hauling sand and/or dry cement helpful. Good driving record, DOT, drug & alcohol testing required. Apply in person, call **432-563-1894** for interview or online @ **www.rockwaterenergy.com**

DRIVERS and SPOOLERS

JW Enterprise is looking for **Drivers** with Class A CDL. Must have a good driving record. Also **Spoolers/Banders** with or without CDL. Competitive Wages and a great place to work. On the job training available. Contact 432-664-3408 or 432-458-3675 for more information. Serious applicants only.

Experienced Driver

G & K Trucking, Inc. FT

Local trucking company seeks an experienced **Class A CDL HOTSHOT driver** in the Midland area for local, regional and out of state deliveries. Benefits include bonuses, scheduled days off, medical insurance and paid vacation. Hazmat preferred. Please call **432-413-2472** Mon-Fri.

TTI TRUCKING IS NOW HIRING!

We now have immediate openings for the following positions: **KILL TRUCK DRIVERS, VAC TRUCK DRIVERS, TRUCK PUSHERS, & MECHANICALLY INCLINED SHOP HANDS.** We offer weekly pay and benefits after 90 days. All drivers and pushers must have at least 2 yrs. experience and all applicants must be able to pass a drug test. Apply in person at 3404 W. Illinois Ste. 204 Midland, TX 79703.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

EARN UP TO $500 PER WEEK!

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Contact: Linda 687-8807

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FREE 30 minute pick up appliances & metal. Call 432-352-7988.

REFRIGERATOR $225, Washer $150, Dryer $150, Electric stove $150, small Freezer $75, Matching Washer/Dryer $350. 432- 352-7988.

Free Stuff

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Appliances

We buy broken appliances w/ free removal. Also we repair appliances. 432-570-6278

Furniture

FOR SALE: Chocolate brown leather couch & love seat, 2 end tables & coffee table. $1,000. Call 432-238-4200

Miscellaneous for Sale

CLOTHES RACK, commercial, adjustable, compact, chrome $125. 15 ton floor jacks, $100 for pair. Pine table $75, 3 Wing back chairs $100 each. 432-685-1202 or 432-638-4784

RESTHAVEN GARDEN Of Hope. Lot 43, space 1 & 2. $2,000 each. Call 432-634-4733.

SEASONED OAK firewood, $350 for 1 cord, $190 for 1/2 cord. Delivered & stacked. 325-648-2818 or 512-913-7406.

Sporting Goods

BOW FLEX XLT, exercise equipment. $300. 432-894-8234

FIREWOOD FOR sale $85 per truck load. Call 432-296-9040

OAK, PECAN, mesquite, pinon, 432-209-0416, 325-762-4262.

Animals & Pets

Miscellaneous for Sale

➤ NEW TODAY! ➤

VINTAGE BEER Can Collection purchased at estate sale in Nebraska. Selling entire lot of 3000+ cans for $6000 or best offer. Available for local pickup in Midland, Texas. I am not a collector and planned on selling individually or using as decor in mancave, but ran out of time. They take up a lot of space. Contains cans from all over the world and range in ages from 20-60+ years. Have not even gone through 10% of the inventory. Text or email offers or for more information. viperfanatic@hotmail.com or 4324258559

Pets

1 FRENCH bull dog pup, female, fawn, all shots, pedigree and registration papers. Call 806-341-4340

CKC REGISTERED German Shepard puppies, Mom is CKC & Dad is AKC. 432-684-9827 or 432-269-2960. mabel_aranda19@yahoo.com

ENGLISH BULL DOG puppies. Beautiful, 2 males, 1 female, all shots, Pedigree and Health records. Call 806-341-4340

FREE TO Good Home 9 month old Pit Bull and Blue Heeler Mix. Good dogs, but won't leave the goats alone. 432-458-3245

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Residential Rentals

Townhouse/ Condo for Rent Unfurnished

2 BD, 2 ba, upstairs over looking pool. $1295. 432-699-7720.

4404 BROOKDALE, Midland. 3 bedroom, 2 bath 1 car garage. 432-934-4938 or 432-685-1711

SPACIOUS REMODELED 1600 +/- sf., 2/2 w/garage & fenced patio. 432-631-8100 or 432-266-1212

Houses for Rent Furnished

4005 ST. Andrews, custom built 3 bd, 2 ba $2,500. 432-699-7720.

5104 A Rainbow, 3 bedroom 2 bath, 2 car garage. No smoking no pets. Sprinkler system. $2,100 monthly $2,000 deposit. 432-620-9222 or 432-694-2074

NICE NEW totally furnished 1 bedroom, 1 bath. washer, dryer, cable, ice, RO water. $1950/mo. $1,000 deposit. 432-631-8100

Houses for Rent Unfurnished

2 BEDROOM, 1 bath, 2 living areas. $1525 per mo. & $1250 deposit, 432-413-3489.

3603 HUMBLE LARGE 4/3/3/2, new carpet. Rusk/Alamo/Lee $2950/mo UP Group 889-2934.

TOWNHOUSE - Nice, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, water paid, 2 car garage. No pets /smoking. $2,700/month, $2,000 deposit. 2202 Neely. 432-682-0602.

Rooms for Rent

ASSISTED LIVING alternative room & board for independant female senior citizen. Newly built furnished apartment on nice home, quiet neighborhood. $1,300 month $600 deposit/ All bills paid cable included Call 719-425-1646 or 432-312-3171

FURNISHED, non-smoking, $750mo. Call 432-312-6033

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Residential Sales

Condos/ Townhouses

TOWNHOME FOR SALE BY OWNER, 2 Bd, 2 BA, 2 Living Areas, 2 fireplaces, 2 Car Garage, ALL kitchen appliances, Washer/Dryer, Fenced yard, NEW carpet, and paint, central air, electric/gas. CALL 432.230.0197.

Homes for Sale

2004 W Missouri, 6 bedrooms 4 baths, 3400+ sq. ft. 2 car garage. Located in the Historic district of Midland. This unique home has much to offer in this nice quiet neighborhood. 4 of the bedrooms open onto the large beautiful pool. This house is great for entertaining or for a growing family. $375,000. Please call 432-352--5358 or 432-528-3654.

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