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Home values climb 23 percent, rank first in state

Sales volume reached record-high and is unusual for West Texas cities

By Cale Ottens
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Home values in Midland grew by more than 23 percent year-over-year in June, pushing the Tall City's median price back to the No. 1 slot statewide for the second time this year.

The volume of homes sold is traditionally strongest during summer months, but the number of transactions in June surged beyond the average and to the highest level in Midland's documented history.

More than $70.8 million was either financed or spent on real estate purchases last month, about 55 percent more than June 2013, according to the latest data from the Real Estate Center at Texas A&M University.

The median home price last month was $283,100, as 208 single-family homes, townhouses and condominiums were sold. The sales volume grew about 14.3 percent year-over-year, up from 182 transactions in June last year.

Previously, the highest number of homes sold in one particular month was 202, recorded in August 2011.

No other Texas city recorded a higher June median home price than Midland, which hasn't happened since January. The Tall City also broke its own record for highest median home price.

The new record tops the previous milestone, $251,500, by $31,600.

Midland's growth mirrors the statewide trend. There were 29,412 home sales completed in Texas last month, the most since June 2006 when 31,431 transactions took place, the data show.

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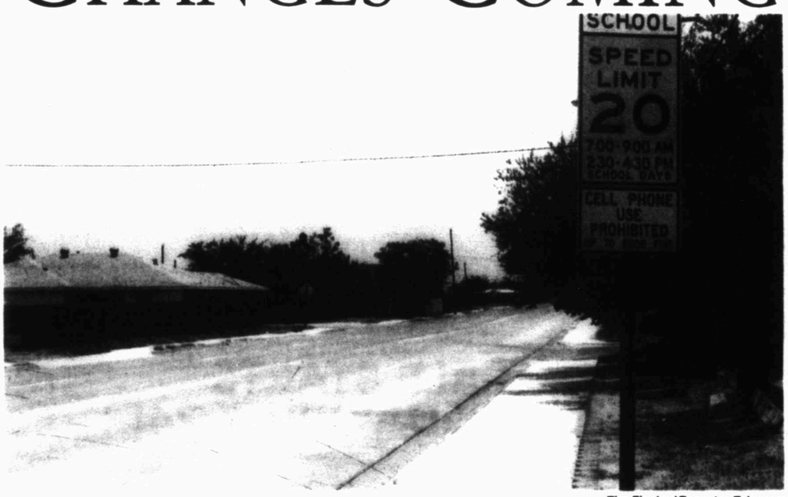

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School zone on Lamesa Road near Spruce Avenue for Milam Elementary is one of seven school zones that will be removed by the city.

TIRZ elimination to change tax rate

■ If TIRZ is eliminated, the city's proposed tax rate to decrease about $0.02

By Joseph Basco
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Though the elimination of the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone would prevent future income for a downtown revitalization tool, the members of the Midland City Council learned it could also lead to the decrease in Midlanders' tax bills.

The conflicting goals of a decreased tax rate versus continuing a downtown-exclusive development fund are what city staff made the council aware of Tuesday during a discussion of the ad valorem tax rate for FY 15.

Pam Simecka, the city's finance director, explained how the tax rate is subject to change nearly 2 cents per $100 valuation if the TIRZ is eliminated. The council earlier this month approved on first reading the termination of TIRZ, as well as allowing TIRZ to use its remaining $3.5 million. The second vote is scheduled for Aug. 12.

If the TIRZ is eliminated and the city resumes collecting downtown property tax revenue into its general fund, the city effective tax rate may become $0.3824, a decrease from the currently proposed $0.4076 effective rate.

The effective rate is the tax rate required to generate the same amount of property tax revenue as during the previous fiscal year.

Using that new effective tax rate — and maintaining the 3 percent increase that the city planned for in its upcoming budget — the city's new proposed tax rate would then be around 39.38 cents per $100 valuation.

If the city maintained the originally proposed tax rate ($0.4198) and then proceeded to eliminate the TIRZ, officials said the city would be proposing a tax rate more than 3 percent over the effective rate. That would translate to the city generating more than $1.9 million in additional revenue compared to the current fiscal year.

On Tuesday, council members voted to set $0.4198 as the tax rate cap, rather than making it the proposed tax rate itself, since the fate of TIRZ is still undecided.

Additionally, keeping a rate of $0.4198 and terminating the TIRZ would inch the city closer to $0.4245 rollback rate — the effective rate, plus an 8 percent increase. Residents can petition for an election on the tax rate if

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West Texas oil builds revenue for A&M and UT

By Vicki Vaughan
San Antonio Express-News

West Texas oil lands, once viewed as played out, are contributing to sharply rising revenue in a fund that helps support the University of Texas and Texas A&M University systems.

"Our revenue is up considerably," said Jim Benson, executive director of University Lands, which manages 2.1 million acres, much of it in West Texas. "We are at $968 million with two months to go" in the fiscal year.

"We will break $1 billion for this year for the first time ever."

Benson said a year ago he didn't expect revenue to reach $1 billion for two or three years. "I did forecast an increase that was substantially less than that," he said. "It's good to be wrong."

Oil and gas royalties could range from $1.1 billion to $1.5 billion for fiscal 2014, which ends Aug. 31, he said.

While University Lands' revenue includes smaller sources, such as grazing leases and even a vineyard, "the big revenue is from oil and gas," Benson said.

University Lands receives a 25 percent royalty for oil and gas production on its holdings.

In 2013, University Lands' oil production jumped to 41.8 million barrels, up from 23.7 million barrels in 2011.

"We have made a lot of revenue since 2011," Benson said. "We've been in the $800 to $900 million range in all those years."

The funds flow to the Permanent University Fund, an endowment set up by the Texas Constitution, the principal of which can't be spent.

On June 30, the fund's market value was $17.24 billion, up almost 20 percent from $14.4 billion a year earlier, according to the University of Texas Investment Management Co., which invests money for the UT and A&M systems.

The $17.24 billion is a record level, said Bruce Zimmerman, CEO of the investment management company.

"We don't raise or spend the money,"

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Sheriffs weigh selling e-cigarettes to inmates

By Edgar Walters
Texas Tribune

"No smoking — period."

Gary Painter, Midland County Sheriff, said he has no plans to allow e-cigarettes or any other tobacco products into the jail. Although he believes selling the cigarettes could provide a financial benefit, he won't budge on his policy.

As a way to allow some inmates to get their nicotine fix and sheriffs to shore up tight budgets, county jails across the country have begun selling electronic cigarettes. Though the trend has largely bypassed Texas, jail officials say that could change as sheriffs begin to warm up to the smokeless technology.

Although traditional cigarettes are banned from most jails, vendors of e-cigarettes, which vaporize a liquid solution for inhalation, see a big market in Texas. The 245 jails regulated by the Texas Commission on Jail Standards have a combined capacity of about 95,000.

Shannon Herklotz, the commission's assistant director, said he knew of only two county jails in Texas that allowed electronic cigarettes. But more sheriffs, primarily in rural counties with smaller facilities, have expressed a cautious interest in selling them, asking questions about the technology, he said.

"It's not that it's not allowed. It's up to each individual sheriff," said Herklotz, who supports banning e-cigarettes to prevent issues with contraband at jails. With county jails facing budget shortfalls, e-cigarette vendors are pushing their products as a way for sheriffs to supplement revenue and help inmates suffering from withdrawal.

"I'm still not in Texas, but I'd like to be," said John Vanderveer, owner of JailCigs, an e-cigarette vendor based in Georgia. He said he and other e-cigarette salesmen had paid a fee to pitch their products to Texas officials and others at the National Sheriffs' Association annual conference in Fort Worth last month.

One vendor, Precision Vapor, recently began selling e-cigarettes to the Titus County Jail in Northeast Texas.

"It was at the request of inmates that we started selling them," said Michael Garcia, a lieutenant at the jail, which sells the item from its commissary. "The inmates report that they feel more at ease and not as nervous," he said. "They don't have the agitation of going from two packs a day to zero."

The jail, which has an average daily population of about 110 inmates, buys each e-cigarette for $3 and sells about 80 a week at $6 apiece, Garcia said. That profit helps pay for inmate uniforms and other supplies, which "eases the burden of the taxpayers."

Brian McGiverin, a prisoner rights lawyer at the Texas Civil Rights Project, said that most jails strictly banned tobacco but that sheriffs were likely to view e-cigarettes more favorably because they are less of a fire hazard than traditional cigarettes.

"It doesn't seem like a terrible idea, setting aside the idea of whether it's a smart idea to smoke in the first place," he said. "The people are buying it, so that means it's something that they want."

Some worry that selling the e-cigarettes out of commissaries could lead to inequity among inmates. Fred Thomas, a spokesman for the Williamson County Sheriff's Office, which this year banned e-cigarettes, said he was concerned about fights "between the ones that have it and the ones that don't have it and want it."

Diana Claitor, executive director of the Texas Jail Project, which advocates inmates' rights, did not address e-cigarettes specifically but said commissaries sold most items at "absurd, gouging markups."

Vendors say they are servicing a growing demand and have no input into the prices that jails charge.

Bill Anderson, owner of Precision Vapor, said his company had been in contact with other Texas sheriffs, but declined to provide specifics. He said e-cigarette use would increase in jails because the number of consumers outside has continued to rise.

"It's very popular," he said, "and it's spread out."

For now, most Texas sheriffs remain cautious. James Campbell, the Cherokee County sheriff, said he would consider e-cigarettes, but was apprehensive that inmates could find a way to abuse them.

"Jury's still out right now," he said. "I'm not going to say we won't change later on, but right now, we're waiting to see what kinds of problems, if any, other jails may be having."

Woman convicted of starving 10-year-old stepson

Associated Press

DALLAS — A North Texas jury took less than an hour to find a woman guilty Tuesday in the 2011 starvation death of her 10-year-old stepson.

The Dallas County jury found Elizabeth Ramsey, 33, guilty of intentional serious injury to a child in Johnathan Ramsey's death. Jurors begin hearing testimony Wednesday morning in the sentencing phase of Ramsey's trial and could sentence her to a maximum of life imprisonment.

The boy's 35-year-old father, Aaron Ramsey, is serving a life sentence already.

Prosecutors say the two locked the boy in his room at the family's Dallas home, then slowly starved him on a diet of bread and water and dumped his emaciated body in a rural area south of Dallas in 2011. The body was found the next year in a creek.

The stepmother's attorneys asserted that her husband kept her from reporting her stepson's ordeal.

REVENUE

From 1A

he said.

While a UT System official has said the increased drilling activity in West Texas is benefiting the UT and A&M systems, only a portion of the money ends up in the universities' coffers.

Distribution rates

The distribution is set by the UT Board of Regents and can change year to year. For fiscal 2014, the distribution rate is 5.5 percent. "That's the money that gets distributed for current spending," Zimmerman said.

The UT System receives two-thirds of the distribution and the Texas A&M System one-third.

For fiscal 2014, the UT System expects to receive $475.9 million, up from $440 million in 2013.

The Texas A&M system expects a 2014 distribution of almost $238 million, up from $220.1 million for 2013.

Use of money

The two systems can only use the money for construction, renovations, major library acquisitions and "significant educational and research equipment and academic excellence programs," according to University Lands' website.

The outlook is rosy for rising royalty monies flowing to the Permanent University Fund and to the university systems. University Lands' revenue is shifting from large lease sales to greater oil production and longer-term royalty dollars.

"We're just beginning to get to the brunt of the drilling activity," Benson said, "which is really having an impact on royalty revenue."

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Mario Alvarez Jr., 37, of Midland was charged Monday with driving while intoxicated three or more times.

Derrek H. Duplissey, 32, of Midland was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram in a drug-free zone.

Zachery D. Harris, 39, of Midland was charged Monday with violation of probation.

Joshua L. Lindsay, 19, of Midland was charged Monday with sexual assault of a child.

Joshua J. Williams, 30, of Midland was charged Monday with burglary of a habitation.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

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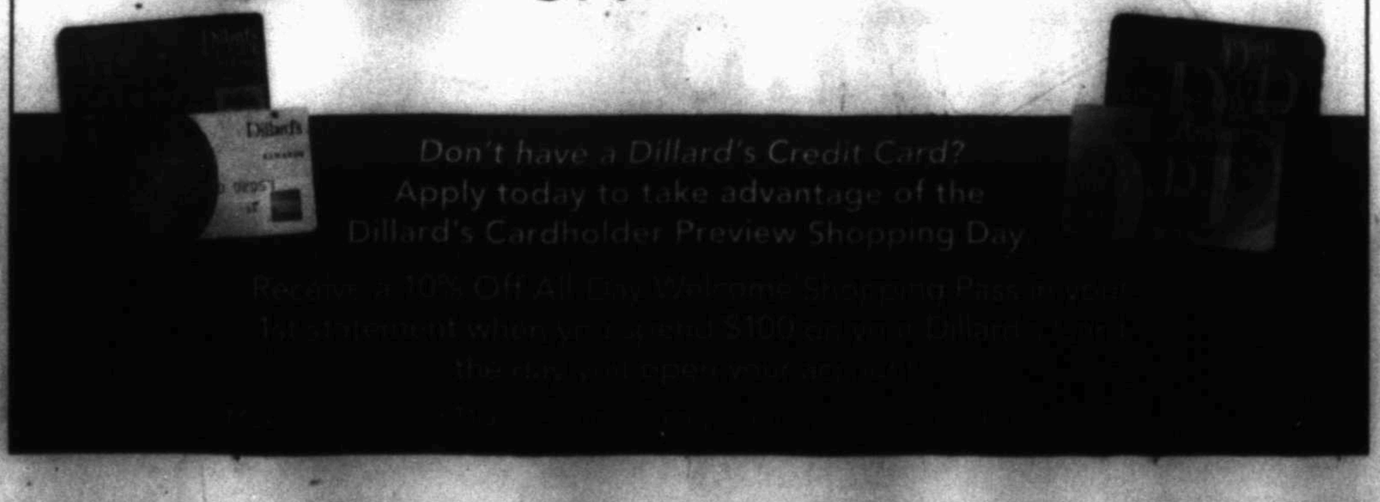

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TAX RATE

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a taxing entity proposes a rate in excess of the roll-back rate.

Though the city has other means to fund downtown revitalization projects, the TIRZ was one of the few programs exclusively for downtown projects. The TIRZ also had the ability to seek participation from the other taxing entities.

The second round of voting for the TIRZ elimination is expected to happen at the Aug. 12 council meeting.

When asked which direction — keeping the TIRZ or lowering the tax rate — would be more beneficial, Mayor Jerry Morales saw both sides.

"It depends who you talk to," Morales said. "There's the downtown community, which supports the TIRZ because they're there and would like to apply for the funds to improve the district. Then there's the community at large who says we would love to have those taxes back to improve infrastructure. For me, it's exciting to see your tax rate drop $0.02, and it's promising that you can use those funds for a growing community."

Also on Tuesday:

■ The council heard a presentation on restarting a workforce housing incentive program to encourage developers to build homes priced under $175,000 — a rare price considering the median home price in the area is $283,100.

Sylvester Cantu, the city's community development manager, told members about a three-tier reimbursement approach for developers building homes priced below $175,000: $4,000 can be offered for infrastructure support for a minimum of 10 homes, $3,000 can be offered if the minimum six homes built meet the minimum 1,350-square-feet requirement and have an attached garage, and $3,000 can be offered if the homebuyer family makes below $68,300.

"What we have are folks coming into Midland that are having a difficult time finding a house for purchase," Cantu said. "We find that homes below $175,000 are very scarce and the folks can't afford the market rate. So we want to encourage developers to build a few more of those homes (priced at $175,000 or below)."

■ The council approved the removal of seven school zones because officials ascertained that students aren't crossing at these intersections.

City staff coordinated with Midland Independent School District the removal of school zones near the following intersections: Lamesa Road and Spruce Avenue, Wadley Avenue and Whittle Way, Thomason Drive and Raymond Drive, Fairgrounds Road and Pecan Avenue, Bluebird Lane and Garfield Street, Polo Parkway and Castleford Road and Terrell Street and Gist Avenue.

■ The council approved a $3.1 million bid for the renovation of Doug Russell Pool into a water park.

The water park is planned to have a zero-entry pool for children, a lazy river, four-lane lap pool and other modern amenities to transform the 1950s-era pool.

Construction is set to begin in September.

FY 15 budget and tax rate schedule

July 25: Filing of budget online and in the City Secretary office.

Aug. 5: First public hearing on the tax rate.

Aug. 12: Second public hearing on the tax rate.

Aug. 19: Public hearing on the budget, first votes on budget and tax rate.

Aug. 25: Second votes on budget and tax rates.

HOMES

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Additionally, the median home value statewide increased by about 7.1 percent year-over-year, up to a new Texas record: $193,700. The total value of home sales throughout the Lone Star State topped $7.4 billion last month, setting yet another record.

It's uncommon to see a West Texas city boast such high home values, the Real Estate Center's data indicate. Counties surrounding Austin, Houston and Dallas typically record the highest median home prices.

Collin County, near Dallas, ranked No. 1 in May for its relatively steep home prices. The area was still strong in June, boasting the third-most expensive homes in Texas.

Home values in Odessa are also among the highest in West Texas, yet still fall well below the median price in Midland. Last month, the median value of an Odessa home was $176,500.

Highest June home values statewide:

1. Midland	$283,100
2. Fort Bend County	$280,800
3. Collin County	$272,700
4. Montgomery County	$251,400
5. Austin	$249,800

MOTOR works on area's 25-year plan

By Joseph Basco
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The Midland Odessa Transportation Organization (MOTOR) has begun work on a 25-year comprehensive plan for the Midland and Odessa area as localities are experiencing a bull market, but state and federal road funding is becoming bear-like.

The Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) is a long-term list of cooperative infrastructure improvement projects. The plan addresses safety, congestion, landscaping, recreational and public transportation concerns, said MOTOR Executive Director Cameron Walker.

The last MTP update — in 2009 — had projects that span from 2010 through 2035. Some of the completed projects that were in the 2009 MTP include East Loop 338 in Odessa and Nadine and Tom Craddick Highway in Midland.

The MTP is routinely updated every five years. This year's version has to compensate for the current challenges in the Midland and Odessa area. Since the last update, both cities' populations have rapidly grown to the point that organizations rely on estimates more than the 2010 U.S. Census count.

To use Midland County as an example, the U.S. Census Bureau determined a 136,872 population count in 2010. The bureau's estimate on July 1, 2013, was 151,468.

"No one has a crystal ball," Walker said. "But without knowing some idea of population growth, it's hard to explain in a 25-year document why you think certain things should to be built."

The other challenge MOTOR faces when updating the MTP is road funding at the state and national levels. Statewide, the Texas Department of Transportation is facing a budget deficit in the $4 billion-to-$5 billion range, as previously reported. Nationwide, the U.S. Department of Transportation is estimating a shortfall in its Highway Trust Fund in August, according to its website.

MOTOR is funded by TxDOT, the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration; the latter two agencies are within the U.S. Department of Transportation. Local entities, such as the cities, counties and EZ Rider, also financially participate with MOTOR.

Walker described the MTP as a "fiscally constrained document" because of uncertainty surrounding funding.

"So if we come up with $300 million worth of project — just to pull a number out of thin a — we still have to show that the money can be reasonably expected," Walker said.

Prioritizing the list of projects and land acquisition are two other MTP creation challenges, according to Walker.

With the challenges in mind, MOTOR plans to finalize the 2014 MTP, with an updated project list, and present it to its policy board for approval in November.

"By having an approved MTP, we are able to expedite improvements around the area," Walker said. "We are able to make sure that projects can move faster through our partner agencies. The plan indicates a certain type of improvement, whether it is five more buses to be replaced in 2019 or a conversion to one-way frontage roads on Interstate 20."

CRIMEBRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MPD: Man arrested on child endangerment charge

An Odessa man was arrested Saturday for grabbing the steering wheel from the driver of a moving vehicle in which there were two child passengers, according to court documents.

Gomez-Torres

Edgar J. Gomez-Torres, 29, was held on a $50,000 bond for state jail felony charges of endangering a child with criminal negligence and endangering a child with intent to return. He posted bond and was released on Sunday.

Midland police officers were on patrol at about 11:30 p.m. Saturday near the 3200 block of Lamesa Road.

The officers saw a vehicle pass by with the interior dome light on and a passenger door open, prompting them to conduct a traffic stop.

Once the vehicle came to a stop, the female driver — described as "hysterical" — exited the car and approached the officers. She told them that she, Gomez-Torres and her two children were on their way home from a party in Odessa. Gomez-Torres was highly intoxicated and wanted to go back to the party. She said he opened his passenger door while the car was in motion, according to the arrest affidavit.

The woman said Gomez-Torres grabbed the steering wheel while she was driving, causing the vehicle at one point to make an abrupt right turn, according to the affidavit.

One of the officers said that Gomez-Torres' actions endangered the lives of the 4- and 9-year-old boys, according to the affidavit.

If convicted, he faces up to two years in prison for each charge.

Man arrested for alleged sexual assault of 15-year-old girl

A Midland man was arrested Monday for the alleged sexual assault of a 15-year-old girl, according to court documents.

Lindsay

Joshua Laynne Lindsay, 19, was being held Tuesday on a $75,000 bond for a second-degree felony charge of sexual assault of a child.

A Midland County detective responded Friday at Midland Memorial Hospital, where a 15-year-old girl reported a sexual assault.

She said she was at a Scharbauer Sports Complex-area hotel, where Lindsay assaulted her, according to the arrest affidavit.

The detective said he later interviewed Lindsay, who admitted to having sex with the girl, according to the arrest affidavit.

If convicted, Lindsay faces up to 20 years in prison.

STATEBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

AUSTIN

Cost of UT inquiry almost $600,000

The bill for investigating the actions of a University of Texas System regent has totaled nearly $600,000.

The Houston Chronicle reported that Houston lawyer Rusty Hardin's firm billed the House Select Committee on Transparency in State Agency Operations $588,000 to investigate Regent Wallace Hall. The final invoices were released Tuesday.

Jason Embry, a spokesman for House Speaker Joe Straus, said Hardin agreed to limit the charge to the state to $500,000.

The panel found grounds to impeach Hall but has yet to vote on formal charges.

LA JOYA

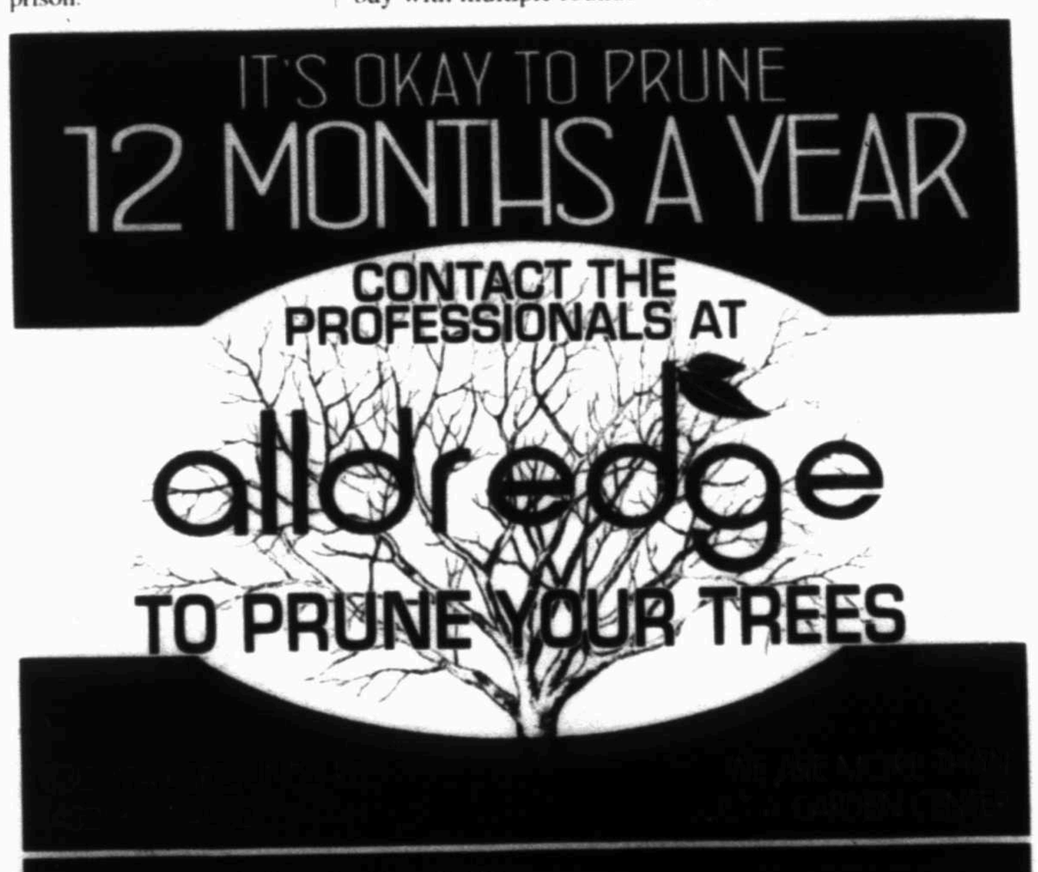
2 South Texas police officers shot serving warrant

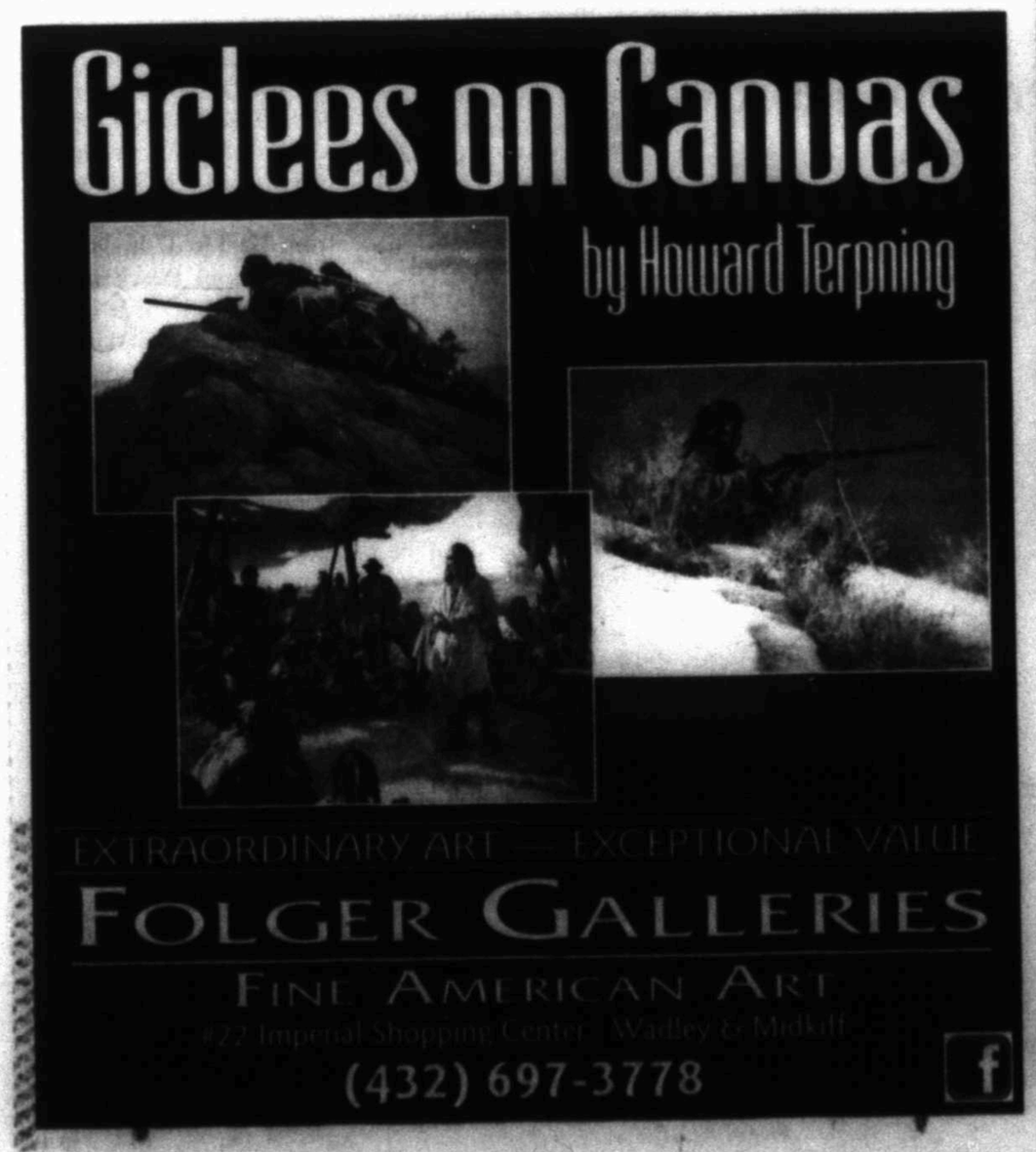
Two police officers in South Texas were shot Tuesday while serving a warrant, authorities said, and the suspected shooter was barricaded inside the house, holding officers at bay with multiple rounds of gunfire.

Hidalgo County Sheriff Eddie Guerra told The Monitor of McAllen that the shootout happened at a house in the Rio Grande Valley town of La Joya when officers tried to serve a warrant on a murder suspect. He told the newspaper that two officers were shot and the continued gunfire had made their removal difficult.

With the standoff still going on Tuesday night, two helicopters circled over the scene as officers in full tactical gear prepared in a neighboring field filled with dozens of law enforcement vehicles and mobile command centers. Several outbursts of gunfire could be heard throughout the evening.

One, just after 7 p.m., prompted the retreat of an armored personnel carrier. Another burst, shortly before 8 p.m., came from a different location apparently near the police command post. Officers scrambled in a new direction and neighborhood residents and reporters crouched behind cars. Officers moved up another side street with guns drawn outside the perimeter police had established.





TODAY IN MIDLAND

Things to do

■ Storytime, 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. www.co.midland.tx.us.

■ "Galactic Golf" at the Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum. museumsw.org.

City pool hours

Doug Russell Pool, 900 N. Midland Drive, noon-7 p.m.

Washington Pool, 1601 E. Indiana, noon-7 p.m.

$2; kids under 2 are free. For more information, call 685-7356.

County libraries today

Midland County Public Library, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., 301 W. Missouri Ave. Return bins available 24 hours a day. 432-688-4320.

Centennial Branch Library, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., 2503 W. Loop 250 N. Return bins available 24 hours a day. 432-742-7400.

Support groups, club meetings today

■ Overeaters Anonymous; noon, B&J Plaza, 206 N. Midkiff Road, Suite 1-D; 553-1031.

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

■ Uptown Midland BPW, noon, Petroleum Club; Glenda Knox, 686-2819.

Hotel business in May (taxable receipts)

May 2014
Midland: $8,803,463
Odessa: $6,678,241
Abilene: $3,926,117
Lubbock: $8,298,575
San Angelo: $3,805,590

Midland in May 2013: $7,077,041
Midland in May 2012: $6,078,115
Midland in May 2011: $4,251,112
Midland in May 2010: $2,460,365
Midland in May 2009 $2,796,685
Midland in May 2008: $3,290,761

Top Midland hotels (total receipts)
DoubleTree by Hilton: $1,098,054
Hilton Garden Inn: $780,430
Residence Inn: $630,008
Holiday Inn Express: $560,426
Springhill Suites: $462,585
Sleep Inn: $457,583
Townplace Suites: $445,212
La Quinta (Wall): $425,650
Grand Texan: $384,937
Best Western: $375,844
Courtyard by Marriott: $375,529
Midtown Hotel: $360,095
Plaza Inn (Big Spring St.): $336,251
Hampton Inn and Suites: $303,535
La Quinta (Loop 250): $303,187
Baymont Inn: $286,446
Homewood Suites: $279,748
Fairfield Inn: $268,193
Comfort Inn-Midland: $225,147
Comfort Suites: $220,726
Studio 6: $208,899
Comfort Inn: $205,074
Value Place: $198,926
West Texas Inn and Suites: $188,041
Best Value Inn: $160,613
Victorian Inn: $136,372
Travelodge: $131,853
America's Best Value Inn: $115,736
Super 8: $112,672
Note: H B Rentals was listed with $611,640

Top in Midland-Odessa
DoubleTree by Hilton: $1,098,054
MCM Fundome (O): $837,596
Hilton Garden Inn: $780,430
MCM Elegante (O): $709,975
Residence Inn: $630,008

Source: Comptroller's web site

Community Calendar

Golfers of every skill level are invited to participate in the sixth annual Young Professionals of Midland (YPM) Connections Golf Classic on Aug. 16 at Hogan Park Golf Course. Registration begins at 7 a.m. with a shotgun start at 8 a.m. A four-person team is $400 and includes breakfast and lunch. Proceeds from the event benefit Gifts of Hope and YPM. For more information or to register, visit www.ypmidland.org/events.

Dive-in movie on Friday

The city of Midland's Parks and Recreation Division will host a special dive-in movie event as part of its Movie in the Park series at 9 p.m. Friday at Doug Russell Pool, 900 Midland Drive.

A $2 admission fee will allow individuals into the facility to watch "Soul Surfer," the inspiring true story of teen surfer Bethany Hamilton.

Residents are invited to bring friends and family as well as food to this family-friendly event. However, no floating devices are allowed in the pool.

For more information, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 685-7355.

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 5-2-1
Pick 3 day: 9-4-6
Pick 3 evening: 4-9-7
Pick 3 night: 0-0-6
Daily 4 morning: 2-6-5-9
Daily 4 day: 1-6-7-8
Daily 4 evening: 1-3-5-3
Daily 4 night: 2-0-0-2
Cash Five: 6-7-9-15-23
Mega Millions: 14-18-22-31-47 MB: 15 Megaplier: 3
All or Nothing morning: 1-2-4-5-9-10-11-13-14-16-19-22
All or Nothing day: 1-3-7-8-9-11-12-13-14-15-20-21
All or Nothing evening: 2-3-6-9-10-11-12-14-17-18-19-24
All or Nothing night: 1-3-4-7-9-12-13-15-19-22-23-24

Judge ponders overturning gay marriage ban

Associated Press

DENVER — Gay couples seeking to strike Colorado's same-sex marriage ban urged a federal judge Tuesday to overturn the law immediately and reject the state's request to stay a ruling until the U.S. Supreme Court decides the matter.

U.S. District Judge Raymond P. Moore indicated that the injunction sought by gay couples declaring Colorado's law unconstitutional is certain to be granted. But he said what he's trying to decide is whether his ruling should be put on hold.

Colorado Republican Attorney General John Suthers is not opposing the injunction, but he wants it to be stayed until the nation's highest court decides the issue. However, the attorney for the gay couples told the judge repeatedly that "justice delayed is justice denied."

"Fundamental rights cannot be stayed," said Mari Newman, one of the attorneys filing suit on behalf of the six couples

The judge said he is going to issue a ruling Wednesday. A ruling in favor of the plaintiffs, without a stay, would open the door to allowing clerks statewide to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples.

Associated Press

Attorney Mari Newman, center, talks with members of the media, as she stands with her plaintiffs and their supporters following a court hearing on same-sex marriage at the Federal District Court, in Denver, on Tuesday. Gay couples seeking to strike Colorado's same-sex marriage ban urged a federal judge Tuesday to overturn the law immediately and reject the state's request to stay a ruling until the U.S. Supreme Court decides the matter.

But Michael Francisco, the assistant solicitor general arguing on behalf of Suthers' office, said they will continue to pursue a stay with a higher court if the judge denies it. Francisco noted there's legal precedent where stays have been issued when courts in other states have found same-sex marriage bans unconstitutional.

"The reason is that the stays are appropriate to preserve the status quo while the appellate courts hear these cases," he said.

The lawsuit alleges the state's same-sex marriage ban violates due-process and equal-protection rights guaranteed in the U.S. Constitution.

Colorado voters approved the same-sex marriage ban in 2006, but several recent court rulings have given gay rights advocates hope that the state's law is on the verge of being overturned.

Clerks in Boulder, Denver and Pueblo counties have already issued licenses to gay couples after court rulings saying same-sex marriage bans are unconstitutional. However, the Colorado Supreme Court last week ordered Denver to stop while the state ban remains in place, and the Pueblo clerk stopped on Monday because of that ruling.

The state's attorney general applauded Pueblo's decision.

The state Supreme Court ruling did not apply to Boulder's clerk, however. A district judge ruled in the clerk's favor this month, allowing same-sex marriage licenses to continue. Clerk Hillary Hall has issued 177 licenses to gay couples during the past month. She began issuing the licenses in late June after the 10th Circuit ruled on Utah's ban, saying states cannot prevent people from marrying based on their gender.

More than 20 courts have issued rulings siding with gay marriage advocates since the Supreme Court's ruling last year striking down the Defense of Marriage Act. The rulings have come in 17 states.

Protect yourself from identity theft

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — It's an almost weekly occurrence: On Tuesday, Goodwill said its computer systems may have been hacked, leading to the possible theft of customers' credit and debit card information. The nonprofit agency, which operates 2,900 stores in the U.S., said it is working with federal investigators to look into a possible breach.

That follows news over the weekend that Vendini, an event ticketing service, had settled a class-action suit related to a data breach in 2013. For many people who had ordered tickets through the service, an email about the settlement was their first notification that their information had been compromised. In the last year, major companies like Target, LinkedIn, eBay and Neiman Marcus have also been hacked.

The incidents are especially troubling to consumers as online and mobile shopping continues to grow. People aren't likely to stop using their credit and debit cards any time soon, and as data breaches become increasingly common, consumers don't often know what to do when a company they've done business with experiences a breach.

Here are five ways you can avoid becoming a victim of identity theft — even if your data has been compromised.

Monitor your bank statements

The easiest and most effective way to make sure someone hasn't made fraudulent charges to your account is to keep a close tab on your bank statements. Gartner analyst Avivah Litan recommends checking at least once a month, if not more, for any suspicious activity. If you find something that doesn't seem right, call your bank right away.

Use a credit card, not a debit card

Government regulations protect you from liability for fraudulent charges over $50 when you use a credit card or a debit card with a signature, not a pin number. But if you use a debit card with a pin, the regulations are murkier, and you may end up being liable for some charges.

"The best tip to avoid problems on your existing accounts is not to use debit cards, because not only is the credit card law better, but your own money is not at risk with a credit card," says Ed Mierzwinski, consumer program director at the U.S. Public Interest Research Group.

Get free credit monitoring

Concerned consumers can pay an organization for credit monitoring, but the government offers three free credit checks a year, something consumers should take advantage of, says Litan. The reports will show if any loans or new credit cards have been taken out in your name. Here's where to find free credit reports: https://www.annualcreditreport.com/index.action

Also, companies that have had a data breach often offer to pay for customers' credit monitoring. Target, for example, offered one year of free credit monitoring, including identity theft insurance, to Target shoppers after its data breach last year.

Bank smarter

Many banks offer a service that sends an email alert when any major changes —or charges— are made to a customer's account. The alerts can be very helpful in detecting identity theft. If you want to be extra cautious, don't make money transfers online or pay bills electronically —use a check. "Paper is much more secure," says Litan. Also, experts recommend changing your passwords often. And never use the same password for banking that you use for lower-security websites. Non-banking sites tend to be easier to hack.

Don't rely on companies

Vendini, the latest company to report a data breach, on Friday scored a rare settlement for a class-action lawsuit about compromised data. The company, which offers ticketing services for theaters and event venues, will pay out up to $3,000 per customer for identity theft losses, but it will be difficult for people to collect their money, because it is necessary to prove that the information that was used for identity theft came from Vendini. The lesson: don't depend on companies to let you know if your data has been stolen. If you want to protect yourself, it's best to take matters into your own hands.

New arrest linked to gun used after Boston attacks

Associated Press

BOSTON — A friend of Boston Marathon bombing suspect Dzhokhar Tsarnaev is believed to have provided the handgun used to kill a Massachusetts Institute of Technology police officer during the manhunt, people with knowledge of the investigation said Tuesday.

Stephen Silva made an initial appearance in federal court on charges related to heroin trafficking and possession of a handgun with an obliterated serial number. An attorney for Silva, Jonathan Shapiro, said Tuesday evening that he had received the case only a few hours earlier.

"According to news reports, law-enforcement officials say it is the same weapon that was used ... in the MIT officer Sean Collier shooting. However, this has not been charged in the indictment," Shapiro said.

"I am in the process of meeting with my client and reviewing the available evidence which will eventually be presented in a court of law in accordance with our system of justice," Shapiro said in a statement. "Out of respect for that system and for my client, I cannot make any further comment on the case."

The 9 mm Ruger pistol described in the indictment is the same handgun that was used to kill MIT police officer Sean Collier during the manhunt for the bombing suspects, according to the two people, who spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the investigation. The grand jury indictment, which was filed July 15, does not mention Collier's slaying or any connection to Tsarnaev.

The origin of the gun was among the lingering mysteries of the investigation into the April 2013 attack, in which three people were killed and more than 260 were injured when twin bombs exploded near the finish line. Collier, 26-year-old MIT campus police officer, was ambushed several days later and shot multiple times in his car.

According to the indictment, Silva knowingly had possession of the gun, "which had the importer's and manufacturer's serial number removed, obliterated, and altered and had previously been shipped and transported in interstate and foreign commerce."

The indictment also alleges that Silva conspired to distribute heroin this summer in the Boston area.

Silva is a friend of Dzhokhar Tsarnaev. He said in court Tuesday that he graduated from Cambridge Rindge and Latin School in 2011, the same year as Tsarnaev. Silva was ordered to remain in custody ahead of a bail hearing scheduled for Aug. 6.

Gov't arrests 192 on immigrant smuggling charges

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Homeland Security Department said Tuesday it arrested 192 people along the Mexican border in South Texas on immigrant-smuggling charges and seized more than $625,000, part of the Obama administration's efforts to discourage and disrupt the flood of tens of thousands of people crossing the border illegally.

The arrests, which took place under a crackdown called "Operation Coyote," took place over the last month and were part of a 90-day effort targeting smuggling groups.

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement said it also took into custody 501 immigrants in the country illegally. It said it seized the money from 228 bank accounts held by suspected human- and drug-smuggling groups. It's unclear what happened to the detained immigrants. Victims of crime and witnesses in criminal cases can be extended visas in certain cases. Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson said those not eligible for a visa or other protections would eventually be sent home.

The White House has complained that smugglers are exploiting U.S. policies that, in practice, allow Central American children to stay for years or indefinitely once they arrive, and it has proposed increasing penalties for smugglers.

Johnson said the crackdown on smugglers was another message to would-be immigrants that "our borders are not open to illegal immigration."

The Rio Grande Valley in South Texas is the Border Patrol's busiest spot along the Mexico border. Border agents have arrested more than 200,000 border crossers in the area some Oct. 1.

The majority of the more than 57,000 child immigrants caught crossing the border without their parents or a guardian have also been taken into custody in the area.

Southwest, South score low on child-welfare index

Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Several states in the Deep South and Southwest have earned dismal scores on an annual child-welfare index that cited poverty and single-parent house households as worrisome trends that must be turned around for things to improve.

Mississippi was rated the worst state for overall child well-being, largely because of rising child poverty. It was the second time in three years the state has come in last in rankings complied in the Kids Count Data Book. New Mexico, Nevada, Louisiana and Arizona round out the bottom five states.

The study released Tuesday marks the 25th edition of the child well-being scorecard from the Annie E. Casey Foundation, a child advocacy group.

It ranks states based on 16 indicators of child welfare in areas of economic well-being, education, health, and family and community.

The good news, the foundation's report indicated, is that nationally there has been steady improvement in the number of children attending preschool and a decline in the number of kids who aren't proficient in reading and math.

Tennessee was one of five states that showed the biggest improvements in the last year, moving from 39th to 36th. In education, a focus of major reform in Tennessee the last few years, the state improved from 42nd to 37th.

"I do think the changes that have been made in education ... are making a difference," Republican Gov. Bill Haslam told reporters after a rotary luncheon in Springfield, Tennessee. "It's one of the reasons I want to make sure that we don't back up."

Additionally, the national teen birth rate is at a historic low, and death rates for children and teens have fallen thanks to medical advances and the increased use of seat belts, car seats and bike helmets, according to the report.

However, the growing number of children growing up in poor communities and the increased percentage of children in single-parent households are causes for concern, the foundation said.

Survey finds sharp increase in teen use of HGH

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Experimentation with human growth hormones by America's teens more than doubled in the past year, as more young people looked to drugs to boost their athletic performance and improve their looks, according to a new, large-scale national survey.

In a confidential 2013 survey of 3,705 high school students, being released today by the Partnership for Drug-Free Kids, 11 percent reported using synthetic HGH at least once — up from about 5 percent in the four preceding annual surveys. Teen use of steroids increased from 5 percent to 7 percent over the same period, the survey found.

Travis Tygart, CEO of the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency, depicted the numbers as alarming but not surprising, given the extensive online marketing of performance-enhancing substances and near-total lack of any drug testing for high school athletes.

"It's what you get when you combine aggressive promotion from for-profit companies with a vulnerable target — kids who want a quick fix and don't care about health risk," Tygart said in an interview. "It's a very easy sell, unfortunately."

Nine percent of teen girls reported trying synthetic HGH and 12 percent of boys.

"A picture emerges of teens — both boys and girls — entering a largely unregulated marketplace (online and in-store) in which performance-enhancing substances of many varieties are aggressively promoted with promises of improved muscle mass, performance and appearance," said the report. "This is an area of apparently growing interest and potential danger to teens that cries out for stricter controls on manufacture and marketing."

Given the high cost of authentic HGH, it's possible that some of teens who reported using it may in fact have obtained fake products. As the survey said, "It's very difficult to know what exactly is in the substances teens are consuming, or what the short and long-term impact on their health may be."

Steve Pasierb, president of the Partnership for Drug-Free Kids, said the motives of today's youthful dopers were different from the rebellious or escapist attitudes that traditionally accompanied teen drinking and pot-smoking.

"This is about how you feel, how you look," Pasierb said. "They're doing this thing to get ahead. ... Girls want to be thin and toned. For a lot of boys, it's about their six-pack."

He urged parents to talk candidly with their children about the dangers of performance-enhancing substances, but to avoid moralizing.

"It's not about illegality, or whether you're a good parent or bad parent," he said. "It's a health issue. These substances literally alter your body."

Pasierb said high school coaches have a key role in combatting doping. Some are vigilant, other oblivious and perhaps a third are prepared to tolerate doping in the interests of winning, he said.

The new survey noted that the upsurge in teen HGH use occurred even as famous athletes were caught up in high-profile doping cases. Last August, Major League Baseball punished Alex Rodriguez with a lengthy suspension after investigating his use of performance-enhancing drugs. A few months earlier, Lance Armstrong admitted in a TV interview to doping throughout his cycling career.

One of Armstrong's former teammates is Tyler Hamilton, who was forced to return his 2004 Olympic gold medal after being found guilty of doping.

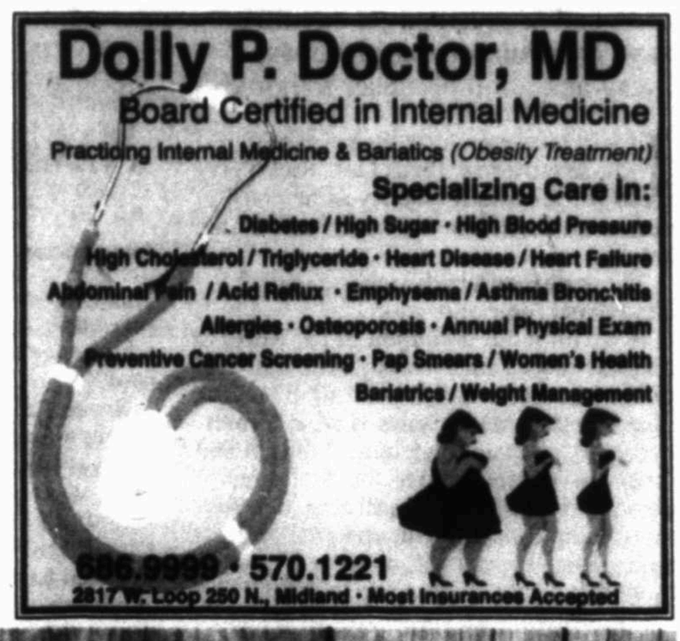
Drug facts

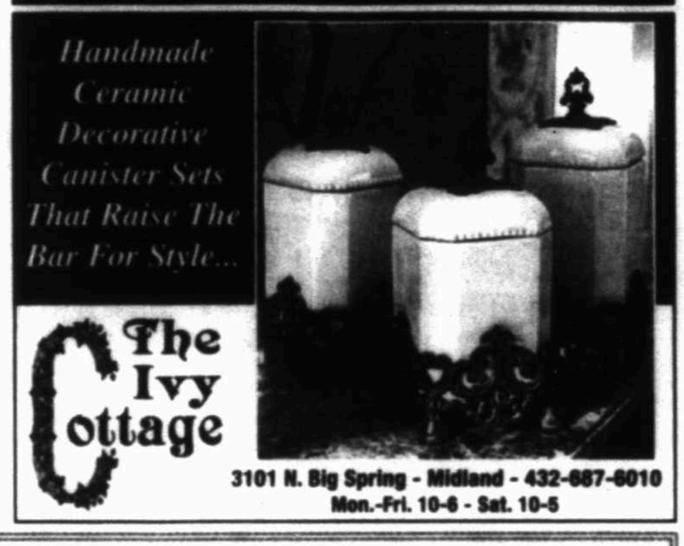
The Partnership for Drug-Free Kids survey also reported on other forms of substance abuse. Among its findings:

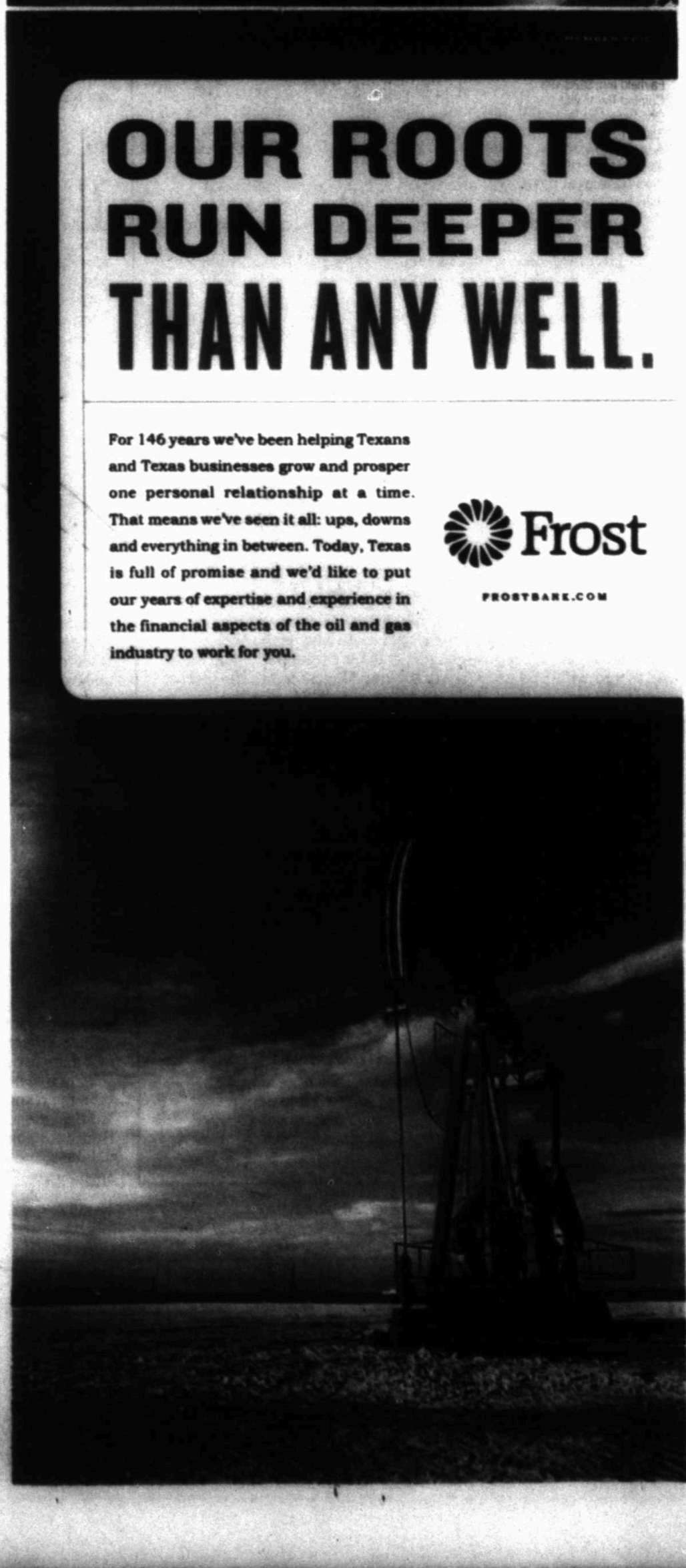
- Forty-four percent of teens report using marijuana at least once within their lifetime; 24 percent report using within the past month; and 7 percent report using at least 20 times within the past month. These levels have remained stable over the past five years.
- After a sharp increase in teen misuse and abuse of prescription drugs in 2012, the rate remained stable in 2013, with 23 percent of teens reporting such abuse or misuse at least once. Fifteen percent reported having used the prescription painkillers Vicodin or OxyContin without a prescription at some point.

The survey of 3,705 students in grades 9-12 was conducted at their schools between February and June of 2013.

The margin of error was calculated at plus or minus 2.1 percentage points.







OPINION

Border contradiction haunts Texas Gov. Perry

■ Possible presidential candidate says one thing about places far-away and another closer to home

RUBEN NAVARRETTE
Washington Post Writers Group

It will take more than a new pair of glasses to allow Texas Gov. Rick Perry to see his own hypocrisy as he ponders what should be America's role in the world.

Think of it as a high-stakes game of Texas hold 'em.

If we limit our definition of the world to faraway places such as Iraq, Afghanistan or the Middle East, Perry is "all in" on the idea that the United States is what former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and others have referred to as the "indispensable nation." When you still have designs on running for president, and are hoping a new pair of specs will make you look more intelligent, cozying up to voters who are pro-military and pro-Israel might seem smart.

But if we look closer at Perry's home turf and the humanitarian crisis involving child refugees that is turning South Texas upside down, and define the world as including Mexico and Central America, the governor seems ready to fold on the idea that America has the duty to be not only tough but compassionate. What about the promise beneath the Statue of Liberty to serve as a safe haven for desperate souls who honor us by seeking refuge under our roof?

So, as Perry sorts through this inconsistency over the next few months, which creed is likely to win out: "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free" or "Don't mess with Texas"?

When he feels like going all in, Perry challenges those who would retreat from the world. He recently fired a shot at a likely rival for the 2016 GOP nomination — Sen. Rand Paul of Kentucky — with an op-ed in The Washington Post taking apart Paul's prescription for isolationism in dangerous parts of the world such as Iraq. This course of action, Perry insisted, "would only endanger our national security even further." This is especially so given that, as Perry rightly pointed out, "the world is confronting an even more radicalized version of Islamic extremism than al-Qaida" that threatens our national security in ways "to which Paul seems curiously blind." Here's the money line from Perry: "Paul is drawing his own red line along the water's edge, creating a giant moat where superpowers can retire from the world."

Really? We can assume that, by "water's edge," Perry doesn't mean the water in the Rio Grande, the river that separates the United States from Mexico. It's also odd that the governor, in discussing foreign policy, used the word "moat." The last time I heard that word from an elected official was May 2011, when President Obama visited El Paso to dangle the prospect of immigration reform before Latino voters and warn that Republicans wanted to build a moat on the border filled with alligators.

But when Perry feels like tossing in his cards and doing a little retreating of his own, he is apt to engage in lame stunts such as donning a flak jacket and posing with a machine gun alongside right-wing talk show host Sean Hannity, aboard a patrol boat from the Department of Public Safety.

This week, as he continues to vie for the unofficial title of border security czar, Perry announced that he will send up to 1,000 National Guard troops to help secure Texas' southern border where, since October 2013, tens of thousands of unaccompanied minors from Central America have crossed into the United States. Consistent with a model that George W. Bush used twice during his presidency, and part of what Perry is calling "Operation Strong Safety," the troops will not go out on patrol. They will simply take over administrative duties from the Border Patrol agents who do them now, and thus free those agents to go out into the field. Perry also wants the federal government to dispatch an additional 3,000 Border Patrol agents to Texas, after which time the troops could be removed.

Let me get this straight. The United States can't draw a line and close off the world, but Texas can? Americans can't run away from the effects of "Islamic extremism" in Iraq, but we can skirt the spillover effects of poverty, violence and desperation in Latin America?

If Perry wants to be taken seriously as a presidential candidate, he'll have to resolve this contradiction and clearly articulate what he believes are America's responsibilities in a world that remains unsafe, unstable and unpredictable.

OUR VIEW

Uproar over Nugent concert shouldn't be surprising

The group Una Voz Unida of Odessa doesn't want Ted Nugent to appear at the Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center and has created a change.org petition — "Say 'No' to Ted Nugent Concert" — to push for cancellation of the Aug. 17 show.

The concert, according to Show of Support's website, will benefit the organization and its goal of building a memorial to the four wounded soldiers who lost their lives when a train hit a Show of Support parade float in 2012.

Frankly, no one should be surprised there would be opposition to a Ted Nugent concert. The Associated Press reported Tuesday that a Native American tribe has canceled an Aug. 4 concert by the heavy metal singer at its northwest Idaho casino. The reason? "Racist and hate-filled remarks."

When it comes to political commentary, Nugent is a shock jock. Even the most conservative politicians couldn't distance themselves from Nugent fast enough after he called President Obama a "subhuman mongrel." (Nugent later apologized for using the term). One of those who attempted to disassociate himself was Greg Abbott, Republican candidate for governor.

The Washington Post also reported that Nugent previously referred to Obama as a "piece of s--t" and members of his administration as "criminals," and implored the president to "suck on my machine gun."

In 2012, U.S. Army officials removed Nugent from a summer concert in Kentucky after he told the National Rifle Association he will "either be dead or in jail by this time next year" if Obama — our military's commander in chief — is re-elected and blasted members of the administration, saying conservatives should "chop their heads off."

It's not hard to figure out why people might be opposed to Nugent performing in Midland.

On the other hand, Nugent is popular with Second Amendment supporters and gun enthusiasts in general. So it makes sense why he would be popular with many in Midland.

Having written this, those petitioning Nugent's performance at Wagner Noel targeted the wrong group. Show of Support is bringing Nugent to Midland, and a decision to cancel would have to come from the non-profit, according to the performing arts center's senior marketing manager.

In our view, if Show of Support wants to associate itself with Nugent — who once called Hillary Clinton "a toxic c***" — that is their business. They will sell plenty of tickets.

We will add that we are confused by the selection of Wagner Noel for a show we expect to be hard rock. Maybe the Motor City Madman is going "unplugged." Show of Support could have partnered with Midland County to bring Nugent to the Horseshoe. Certainly more people could have experienced Nugent live.

Nugent will be like many other performers who have come to Midland for their own gain or to help a local non-profit raise money for a worthy cause. And as is the case with shows held at Wagner Noel or any other venue, we hope the crowd gets its money's worth and that the rest of us realize entertainers are just that.

Online: www.showofsupport.org

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Uber-wealthy can be compassionate

■ It's not always hypocrisy that drives the limousine liberals to help the remaining 99 percent

CATHERINE RAMPELL
Washington Post Writers Group

Is it hypocritical for a really, really rich person to object to rising inequality? I've been thinking about this in light of the derision the Clintons are facing for charging six-figure speaking fees while pontificating about income polarization and the plight of the poor.

Other high-income, high-net-worth figures have been similarly mocked for expressing concerns about a growing income and wealth imbalance that benefited them. Among the targeted upper-crusters are Goldman Sachs chief executive Lloyd Blankfein, who said in a recent interview that "too much of the [gross domestic product] over the last generation has gone to too few of the people"; Warren Buffett, the Oracle of Omaha, who has advocated higher tax rates on high-earners such as himself and consistently decried rising inequality; and Paul Krugman, the Nobel-winning economist and New York Times columnist, who will soon receive $25,000 a month from an institute that studies income inequality.

These economic elites aren't alone in balking at rising inequality. A rare survey of 1 percenters found that nearly two-thirds believe "differences in income in America are too large," according to research by Benjamin I. Page, Larry M. Bartels and Jason Seawright. That's almost identical to the share of the general population that espouses this view.

Given the emails I received when I wrote last week about Chelsea Clinton's lucrative speaking gigs, lots of people see this sort of "limousine liberalism" as, if not outright hypocrisy, at least a sign of cognitive dissonance. The implication is that to credibly care about — and advocate on behalf of — poor people, you need to take a vow of poverty yourself.

I find this view highly problematic.

First of all, when low-income people do jump on the soapbox about raising taxes on the rich or expanding the social safety net, they're usually accused of class warfare. But more important, the poor, unlike billionaires, don't get a lot of airtime.

Pretty much every time a rich person sneezes, a banner headline sprouts. Some of this outsize influence over the public discourse comes from the fact that very rich people tend to be more politically active than the typical American. Billionaires have the resources to spritz their agendas throughout the airwaves, and when they ask the White House for a meeting, they can be pretty sure they will be accommodated. But some of their influence reflects the fact that regular Americans, for whatever reason, put a lot of stock in what rich people think, no matter how inane such commentary might be. We listen when Kim Kardashian prattles on about "having it all" and when Tom Perkins mouths off about apportioning votes according to taxes paid. Why? Because, as Tevye the Milkman wisely surmised, "When you're rich, they think you really know."

Given this state of affairs, I would much rather the megarich wield their wealth and influence to try to improve conditions for the working class, rather than to further pad their pocketbooks.

Of course, when it comes to inequality, these two goals are not necessarily mutually exclusive. Blankfein's objections to rising inequality, for example, could be said to represent a sort of enlightened self-interest, as he emphasized that he thinks the yawning income gap is politically "destabilizing" and could lead to legislative gridlock and slower economic growth — all of which potentially affect his own well-being.

But for some rags-to-riches moguls — including Blankfein and Bill Clinton, both of whom grew up poor — objections to economic inequity may also reflect a fear that the system is now stacked against the kinds of people they once were. As social structures ossify and the income ladder becomes more rickety, the son of a postal clerk, growing up in a Brooklyn housing project, might never again be able to rise to become the chief executive of one of the United States' biggest financial institutions.

Amassing a great fortune can lead to a very different outlook on life. For some, success begets contempt for those not similarly situated, those lazy schmoes who didn't manage to lift themselves up by their own bootstraps. (One recent study of lottery winners, for example, found that a financial windfall typically leads people to become less egalitarian-minded and more approving of the existing distribution of wealth.) But for others, proximity to poor and working-class Americans can be a constant reminder that there but for the grace of God go they. The term I'd use for a 1 percenter who expresses concern about the wages, economic opportunities and safety nets available to the 99 percent is not hypocrisy; it's empathy.

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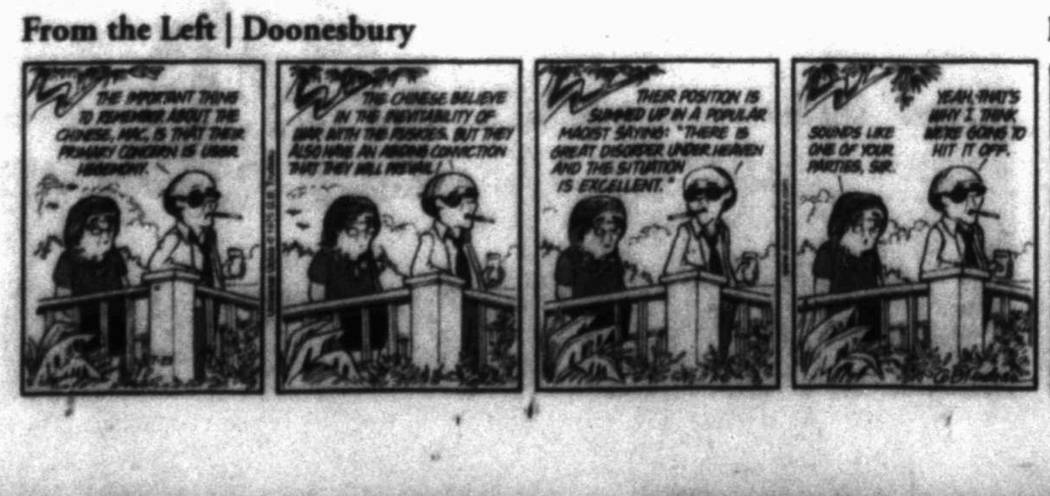

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Big issues loom for Congress as recess nears

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Pressure is on Congress to act in the next two weeks on several problems, from keeping highway projects on track and easing wait time for veterans seeking health care to the humanitarian crisis at the U.S.-Mexico border.

"Pass a bill or don't come back from recess," William A. Thien, the national commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, warned lawmakers pondering the Department of Veterans Affairs legislation. "America's veterans are tired of waiting — on secret waiting lists at the VA and on their elected officials to do their jobs."

With the monthlong August recess looming, progress has been decidedly mixed on several must-past items as congressional partisanship — only fiercer in an election year — and the Obama administration's conflicting signals to Capitol Hill complicate prospects for legislation.

Lawmakers have been struggling to find about $10 billion to keep highway projects on track through next spring, produce legislation to speed up health care for veterans and address how to deal with some 57,000 unaccompanied immigrant children who have entered the U.S. along the southern border since last fall.

Things look promising for legislation to "patch" the highway trust fund after an overwhelming House vote last week. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., told reporters on Tuesday that a vote is possible this week, with the Senate widely expected to accept the House measure keeping highway and transit money flowing through May 2015.

Lawmakers remain at an impasse on President Barack Obama's request for emergency funding to deal with an influx of Central American children streaming across the U.S. border.

Senate Democrats circulated legislation on Tuesday to significantly cut Obama's proposal. The legislation also would provide immediate aid to Israel for the Iron Dome missile defense system as well as money needed to fight wildfires in Western states.

Appropriations Committee Chairwoman Barbara Mikulski, D-Md., is scheduled to release the measure on Wednesday.

The legislation cuts Obama's $3.7 billion request for sheltering and processing unaccompanied immigrant children by $1 billion. It includes $225 million for Israel's Iron Dome, designed to intercept short-range rockets and mortars, as Israel battles Hamas militants, and $615 million for wildfires in Western states.

The border proposal puts Democrats on a collision course with Republicans who insist on coupling the additional money with policy changes to a 2008 law that guarantees the unaccompanied minors, many of whom are fleeing violence, a hearing before an immigration judge.

Congressional aides in both parties say the politics over changing the 2008 law to make it easier for the Border Patrol to immediately send back unaccompanied minors to Guatemala, El Salvador and Honduras has all but sunk Obama's request. The administration has sent contradictory signals on whether it would be open to toughening the law — a non-negotiable demand of Republicans.

Congressional Democrats are balking at using the emergency funding bill to advance changes to the 2008 statute.

House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, said in a statement on Tuesday that the public won't support billions of dollars more for the border unless Congress makes policy changes to return migrant kids home faster.

Boehner said Obama's unwillingness to stand up to Democrats jeopardizes "our ability to find common ground and help the kids who are caught in the middle of this crisis."

Looming large is legislation to keep the government operating beyond the start of the fiscal year on Oct. 1; the House has completed seven of the 12 spending bills while the Senate has done none. A once-promising effort to revive the appropriations process in the Senate appears to have derailed in a test of wills between top Senate leaders over the rights of Republicans to offer amendments to legislation.

Negotiations over House- and Senate-passed veterans' health legislation have bogged down after the administration upped the ante with a demand for almost $18 billion to hire 10,000 doctors, nurses and other health care aides, and lease new facilities to create additional capacity over the coming three years. That request, on top of about $30 billion to permit veterans facing long waits to seek treatment outside the Veterans Affairs system, has unnerved GOP negotiators.

Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., chairman of the Senate Veterans Committee, said, "It is clear the VA needs more doctors, need more nurses and in many cases they need more space," and it would be a mistake not to deal with the issue in legislation.

Lawmakers employ gimmicks to pay for highway funds

WASHINGTON — The House has passed a bill to add $10.8 billion to the federal trust funds providing highway and transit funds to prevent them from running dry next month and to buy more time for Congress to draft a new highway bill next year. Critics say the legislation relies on budget gimmicks. The measure's financing provisions are:

Pension 'smoothing'

Raises $6.4 billion by allowing companies to reduce the amount that they contribute to their pension funds now and make up for it later. Since pension contributions are tax deductible, companies would owe more tax revenue in the next few years as more of their earnings are taxed. But in the later years, they would be able to claim higher deductions from larger contributions to their pension funds, costing the government revenue. Over time, the pension measure doesn't raise revenue. But over the next 10 years — the time frame used to estimate the cost of legislation — it does. Critics warn it could cost taxpayers in the long run because taxpayers could be on the hook if an insured pension plan can't meet its obligations and has to turn to the government's Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp. for help.

Customs user fees

Raises $3.5 billion by extending for one year (2024) various user fees paid to the Customs Service for goods, vehicles and people entering the U.S. Critics say it's a gimmick that allows lawmakers to spend the money now and not pay it back for 10 years.

Leaking underground storage tanks

Transfers $1 billion from an overfunded trust fund established to pay for cleaning up sites fouled by pollution from leaking underground storage tanks, including those at gas stations. Most problem sites have been cleaned up, and the leaking tanks fund runs a surplus of about $200 million a year.

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Dueling rulings: Courts split on health law clash

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama's health care law is snarled in another big legal battle, with two federal appeals courts issuing contradictory rulings on a key financing issue within hours of each other Tuesday.

But the split rulings don't necessarily mean another trip to the Supreme Court for the Affordable Care Act.

And White House spokesman Josh Earnest immediately announced that millions of consumers will keep getting financial aid for their premiums — billions of dollars in all — as the administration appeals the one adverse decision.

In that first ruling, a divided three-judge panel in Washington called into question the subsidies that help millions of low- and middle-income people afford their premiums, saying financial aid can be provided only in states that have set up their own insurance markets, or exchanges.

About 100 miles to the south in Richmond, Virginia, another appeals court panel unanimously came to the opposite conclusion, ruling that the Internal Revenue Service correctly interpreted the will of Congress when it issued regulations allowing health insurance tax credits for consumers in all 50 states.

Split appeals court decisions are a classic route to the Supreme Court. But in this situation, it's far from clear what will happen because the administration still has a legal card to play.

Since the Washington case was decided by a three-judge panel, the administration will ask the full 11-member appeals court to hear the case. The full U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit has seven judges appointed by Democratic presidents, including four by Obama.

If the full court comes out in favor of the administration, the prospect of Supreme Court involvement would be greatly diminished. On the other hand, if the full Washington court stays out of it or, after a hearing, essentially leaves the panel's decision in place, then the Supreme Court would almost certainly weigh in.

Democratic appointees also constitute a majority of the full appeals court in Richmond.

Both cases are part of a long-running political and legal campaign to overturn Obama's signature domestic legislation by Republicans and other opponents of the law.

In the Washington case, Halbig v. Burwell, a group of small business owners argued that the law authorizes subsidies only for people who buy insurance through markets established by the states — not by the federal government.

That's no mere technical distinction, since the federal government is running the markets, or exchanges, in 36 states.

The Washington court agreed with that objection, in a 2-1 decision that could mean premium increases for more than half the 8 million Americans who have purchased taxpayer-subsidized private insurance under the law.

Two judges appointed by Republican presidents voted against the administration's interpretation of the law while one appointed by a Democratic president dissented.

The majority opinion concluded that the law, as written, "unambiguously" restricts subsides to consumers in exchanges established by states. That would invalidate an IRS regulation that tried to sort out confusing wording in the law by concluding that Congress intended for consumers in all 50 states to have subsidized coverage.

Probe finds health law failings

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Congressional investigators using fake identities were able to obtain taxpayer-subsidized health insurance under President Barack Obama's law, according to testimony to be delivered today.

The nonpartisan Government Accountability Office says its undercover investigators were able to get subsidized health care under fake names in 11 out of 18 attempts. The GAO is still paying premiums for the policies, even as the Obama administration attempts to verify phony documentation.

The agency's findings are contained in testimony to be delivered at a House Ways and Means Committee hearing Wednesday. An advance copy was provided to The Associated Press.

Seto Bagdoyan, head of GAO audits and investigations, will also testify that there's still a huge backlog of applications with data discrepancies, even though the administration has resolved some 600,000 cases.

The GAO tests revealed potential weaknesses in the nation's newest social program. However, in the real world, it may be difficult for fraudsters to profit, since government subsidies are paid directly to insurance companies.

Still, Ways and Means Chairman Dave Camp, a Michigan Republican, said the health law is rife with "incompetence, waste and the potential for fraud."

House Republicans have voted some 50 times to repeal or scale back Obama's top domestic accomplishment, the sweeping health care overhaul that is currently providing coverage to an estimated 15 million people, through a combination of subsidized private insurance and expanded Medicaid.

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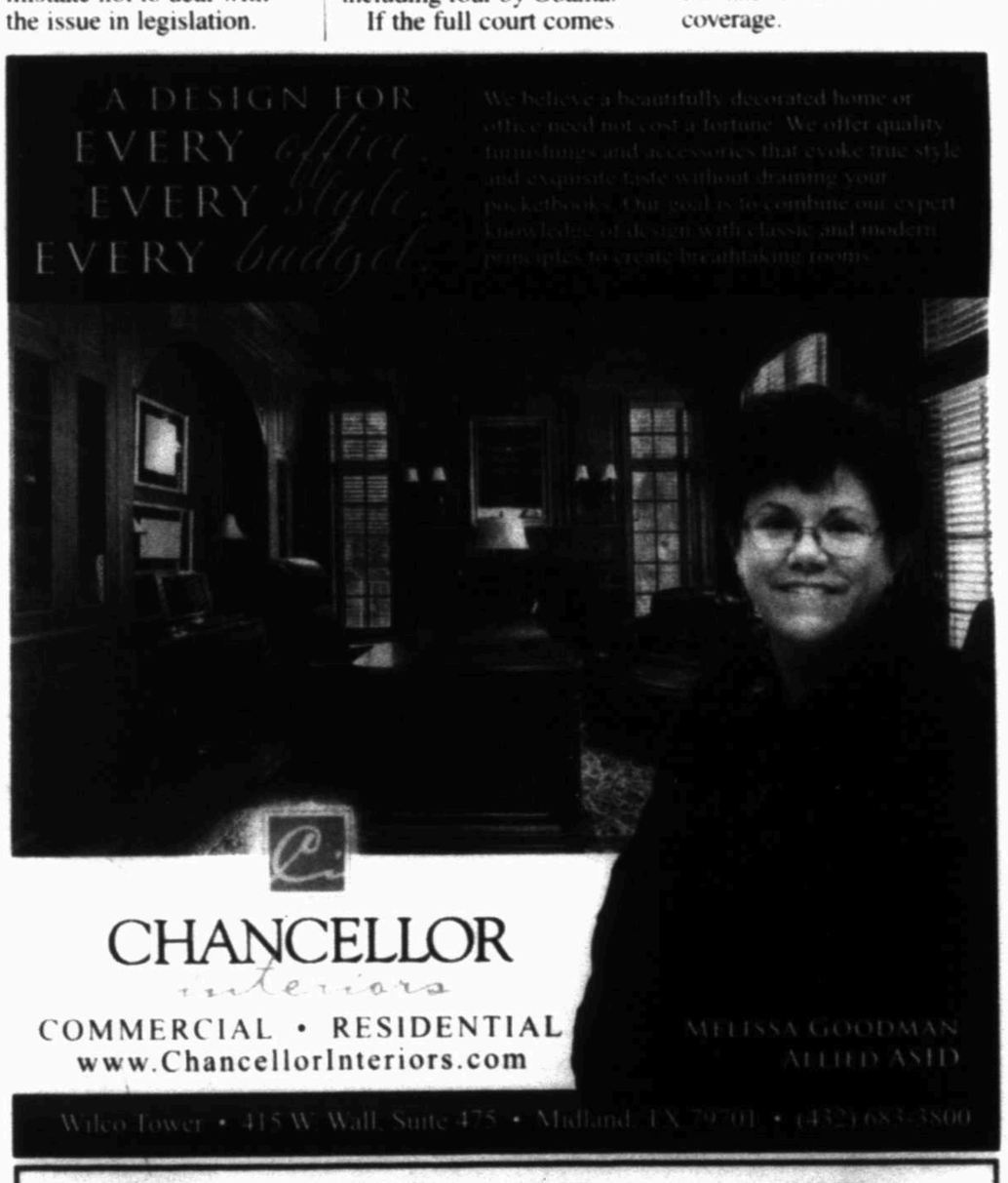

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End comes for notorious Venezuelan vertical slum

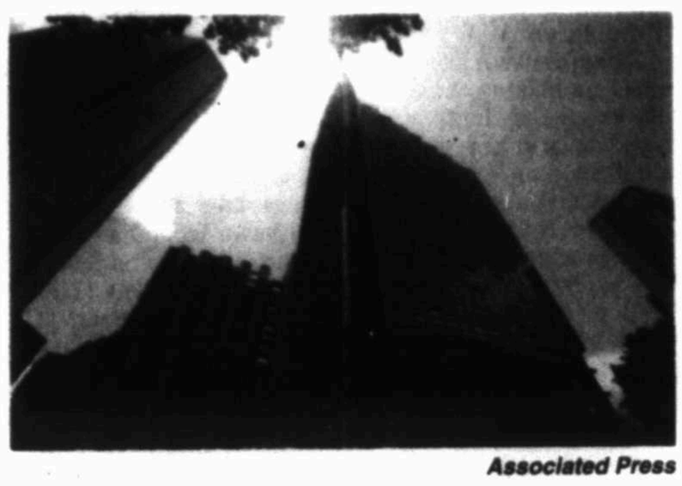
Associated Press

CARACAS, Venezuela — The beginning of the end came for the world's tallest slum Tuesday as officials began evicting thousands of squatters from a haphazard community inside the half-built Caracas skyscraper known as the Tower of David.

Police in riot gear and soldiers with Kalashnikov assault rifles stood on side streets as dozens of residents boarded buses for their new government-provided apartments in the town of Cua, 23 miles south of Caracas.

Ernesto Villegas, the government minister overseeing Caracas' redevelopment, told reporters the residents could not be allowed to stay indefinitely because the 45-story building in the heart of the capital is unsafe.

He said children have fallen to their deaths from the tower, which in some places is missing walls or windows. The damp, foul-smelling concrete lobby attested to the lack of working plumbing.



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The Tower of David, a building that was abandoned in the 1990s and became the world's tallest slum, is a half-built skyscraper that was transformed by squatters into a vertical ghetto in Caracas, Venezuela. Officials and armed soldiers began moving out the first of thousands of squatters who have lived for nearly a decade in the soaring, incomplete skyscraper in the heart of Caracas.

Meant to be the crown jewel of a glittering downtown, the building was abandoned amid a 1990s banking crisis. It later was nicknamed the Tower of David, after its financier David Brillembourg.

Villegas said the tower started its life as a symbol of failed capitalism, and later came to represent the power of community. The squatters' invasion was part of a larger appropriation of vacant buildings encouraged by the late President Hugo Chavez.

By 2007, the "invaders," as they're called in Caracas, had claimed everything from the parking garages to the rooftop helipad. They rigged up electricity, opened stores and barbershops, and created a sophisticated internal management system.

On Tuesday, Maria Sevilla, manager of the 28th floor, looked wistfully at the sooty concrete skeleton, with its steep ledges and incomplete stories stippled with satellite dishes.

"What I'll miss the most is the community we built here," she said.

A former street vendor, Sevilla said the 50 neighbors on her floor had become like family to her and her teenage children.

For outsiders, the tower symbolized the height of anarchic dysfunction. The surreal-looking high-rise was widely believed to harbor criminals as well as working families, and it was sometimes raided by police looking for kidnapping victims. The U.S. television show "Homeland" depicted the building as a lawless place where thugs participate in international conspiracies and kill with impunity.

The building's neighbors celebrated the eviction Tuesday. Retiree Antonio Farias looked on with glee, saying the slum had brought the constant threat of kidnapping, rape and robbery.

"It was so beautiful at first," he said.

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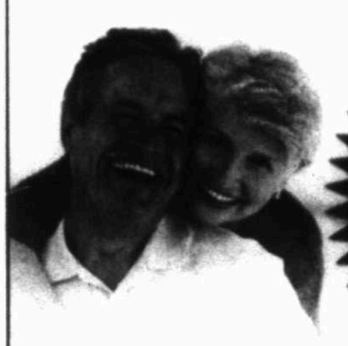

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Parents fight drilling site near school

Greeley, Colorado-based oil company files amended permit

By Sherie Peif
The Greeley (Colorado) Tribune

GREELEY, Colo. — A group of parents who fought in the spring to stop a proposed drilling site near their children's elementary school are back at it after a new application for a drilling permit at the same site was filed with the state.

The company behind the drilling said it's doing everything it can to accommodate those parents.

"In an effort to be neighborly and because it was possible to do at this location, we accommodated the request to increase the setback distance to 1,000 feet," said Logan Richardson, vice president of Mineral Resources in charge of land and business development.

He said that consistent with the original application, the company will install temporary 32-foot walls around the site during construction to reduce sound and workers will not drive near the school, Frontier Academy.

But the group circulating an email asking residents to comment against the proposed South Greeley Directional application said it's still too much.

"The Frontier Parent Group plans to stay involved throughout the process and have reviewed the new proposal," said parent Trisha Golding. "We continue our stance that this is not an appropriate location for this large industrial site."

In April, Mineral Resources pulled its original application, although it was expected to get approval from the Greeley Planning Commission to place 19 wells, 19 separators and 24 tanks on a new well pad about 500 feet from Frontier's playground property line and 800 feet from the school building.

New drilling setback rules set last year by the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission require operators to seek permission from the commission if they want to drill within 1,000 feet of a school. Mineral Resources received initial approval for the site before the rules took effect last August but pulled the permit after the group argued parents were not notified properly and were concerned over the proximity to the school.

At that time, Tyler Richardson, vice president in charge of real estate for Mineral Resources, said despite already having approval from the state, his company would look at the proposal and see if another configuration was possible.

The new application is for 19 wells and 20 tanks 1,512 feet away from the school and more than 1,000 feet away from the playground. The application, which was filed in June, has a Sept. 1 target date for approval and permitting by the state. It is in the public feedback phase. To be considered, comments must be received by the commission by Monday.

The informational flier attached to the email cites health, safety, traffic and noise concerns. The group

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LEAP OF FAITH

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ABOVE: Wende Parsley, founder of Jeremiah School, works with Levi Nieto, 8, who will be a third-grader at the new school when class starts this fall.
BELOW: Playground equipment at Fannin Terrace Baptist Church will be used by students attending Jeremiah School.

Local educator to open small, private school

■ Jeremiah School for students with behavioral, social, sensory needs

By Tessa Duvall
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Midlander Wende Parsley has wanted to open a school for 25 years.

"'Oh, it's too much,'" she said she always told herself. "'I can't do it.'"

Fast-forward to this spring, and Parsley decided to take a leap of faith and open the Jeremiah School for fall 2014.

There are currently 14 students in second through 10th grades enrolled in the school, which is for students with behavioral, social and sensory needs. The school will be housed at Fannin Terrace Baptist Church, 2800 Mogford Ave.

Parsley said she finally decided to quit her job as a middle-school teacher and pursue her dream of opening a school in order to support her 8-year-old son, who has sensory issues that impact his daily life, including his ability to work in a traditional classroom.

The power of social media helped put her dream in motion.

"I put a thing on my Facebook page that said, 'Looks like I'm going to homeschool my kid. Want me to take yours, too? $500 a month,'" she said. "That was on a Thursday. So Sunday we come to church and we walk in and there's somebody standing by the door who says, 'I have two kids for you. They're not my kids, but I'm going to pay their tuition.'"

This church member also knew an attorney who could help Parsley set up her nonprofit corporation, and a minister offered to let her use space at their church for the school.

"So we got in the car that day after church and (my husband) Chris said, 'So, I guess you're starting a school,'" she said. "I said, 'I guess I am.'"

Parsley, an educator for 26 years, said all signs pointed to opening the school.

"I always say that when God wants to send me a message, he has to make it really clear (with) flashing lights," she said. "I'm like, 'Are you sure? Maybe I'm reading that wrong.'"

Once Parsley's husband created Jeremiah School's website and Facebook page, enrollment jumped up to 12 students in about three weeks. Parsley plans to take no more than 15 students.

"I thought I was going to have three kids in the living room," Parsley said.

Three of the students came to Parsley through church connections, one is her son, but Parsley had never before met the other 10.

Parents are eagerly looking for different options to help their children succeed, she said.

"It's majority belief that kids believe if they want to, and I don't think that's true," Parsley said. "I think kids believe if they can. I don't think they want to be bad. They don't want to get into trouble. They don't want to be picked on — they don't. They want to have friends and do well. Nobody wants to be the stupid kid. If they are misbehaving and having these struggles because they don't know how to do it differently, then someone needs to teach them how to do it differently."

Parsley will create a binder with a curriculum for each student based on the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills, and will be aided by two teacher's assistants. Students will do a majority of the coursework on their laptops and be encouraged to seek help from their peers.

"Everybody thinks the teacher stands up there and teaches, but really, we should be providing support," she said. "They should be instigating the learning. It should be theirs. They should own it."

The school day will begin with yoga and goal-setting to help students focus. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday will be for lessons in math, science, social studies and language arts. Wednesday will be at Parsley's home, where a group of four students will plan, cook and serve a meal to the rest of the school. The other students will

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Midland College, Blues Fest partner for workshops

By Tessa Duvall
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This weekend, Midlanders can learn to play the basics of blues harmonica or how to make and play their own one-string diddley bow, all while supporting scholarships for area students.

The Tall City Blues Fest and Midland College are partnering for the fourth consecutive year to provide eight educational music workshops on Saturday at the Double Tree by Hilton. Pre-registration is $15 and walk-up registration is $20 and subject to availability in the class. All registration proceeds are donated to provide scholarships to Midland College's Kids' College.

Fest producer Lisa Grissom said that since the festival began, workshops have provided about $4,000 in scholarships.

"I didn't want a child who wants to be able to go to Kids' College not to be able to just because of a financial limitation of their parents," Grissom said. "It's something small that we could do that could make a big difference in the life of a child."

Grissom said the partnership with Midland College came about as an effort to incorporate education into the festival. Grissom said she approached the college's Community Programs Continuing Education office, which was receptive of the idea.

"I think the reason it got started is because all the stars aligned on that, and there was energy and space there for that to happen," Grissom said. "It's turned out to be a really great partnership."

The workshops change from year-to-year as they are taught by that year's lineup of performers in their areas of expertise, Grissom said. Some of the workshops may be the only day that lesson or class is available in Midland all year, she said.

Rebecca Bell, Midland College dean of Community Relations and Special Events, said it's important for the college to play a part in community events.

"The Blues Fest is something fun, and Kids' College is something fun, so it's just furthering the idea of a fun, summer event," she said.

The college's community relations office selects Kids' College scholarship recipients based on need. There are two, two-week sessions of Kids' College, and scholarships will cover at least one class during one session but can cover as many as three during both sessions.

Grissom said it's important for children to have access to opportunities such as Kids' College.

"During the summer, it gives them something to do that's both educational and fun," she said. "I felt like from what I saw, Kids' College really made a good contribution to the lives of these children. There are always children, for whatever reason — maybe it's a temporary hardship or whatever the case might be — but they really want to go to a class

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Obituaries

Evelyn Jeane Marker

Evelyn Jeane Marker, 89, passed away on July 20, 2014 in Georgetown, Texas.

Graveside services will be on Thursday, July 24, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. at Sunset Memorial Gardens with Dr. John Gerlach of Crestview Baptist Church in Midland officiating.

She was born on December 19, 1924, to Nelson Edward Cruth and Clara Iona Smith Cruth in Raymond, Kansas.

She married the love of her life, Robert Ralph Marker. They remained married for 60 years. She lived the last three years in Georgetown, Texas. She was a godly woman, full of grace.

Evelyn is preceded in death by her loving husband, Robert Marker; and her parents, Nelson and Clara Cruth.

She is survived by her five children, Terry and wife Jackie Marker of Odessa, Texas, Gerry and wife Kay Tipsord Marker of Cedar Park, Texas, Kerry and wife Paula Marker of Granbury, Texas, Sue Moore, of Georgetown, Texas, and Dianna Howard and husband Ken Kruemcke of Georgetown, Texas.

Memorials can be given to Culinary Heritage Institute P.O. Box 2705 Georgetown, Texas, 78627.

Jane Brown Kading

Jane Brown Kading of Stephenville, passed away on July 21, 2014.

She was born to Otis and Mary (McClure) Brown on March 4, 1931 in Dublin, Texas.

She was a proud graduate of Dublin High School, class of 1948.

Jane married Horace Wayne Kading on August 5, 1950, in Midland, Texas. They lived in Odessa and Hobbs, but made Midland home in 1956.

Jane loved little children, her dogs, watching birds, and reading. She was a talented seamstress and volunteered to run the James Bowie Elementary library for many years.

After her husband died she moved to Lake Leon and then home to Dublin, just in time to help plan her 50th class reunion.

Jane was preceded in death by her husband; daughter, Dixie Lee McIlroy; sister, Maxine Hawkins; and brothers, Sam Brown and Don Hoover.

She is survived by daughter, Sherry Bell (Phillip) of Midland; son, Kelly Kading (Jana) of Glendale, Arizonia; son-in-law, Ron McIlroy of Burnsville, Minnesota.

She is also survived by grandchildren, Tracy McIlroy (Lori), Erin McIlroy, Justin Bell (Samantha), Katherine Ehlers (Todd), Cameron Kading, and Kendall Kading.

Her great grandchildren include, Cade and Cole McIlroy, Mae Ehlers, and Michael Bell.

A visitation will be held from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the Harrell Funeral Home in Dublin, Friday evening. Graveside services are 10:00 a.m. Saturday morning at the Dublin Live Oak Cemetery on Highway 6.

In lieu of flowers, Jane would have loved memorial donations to the Dublin Library, the Dublin Historical Museum or any animal rescue organization.

Robert Felton Freeman

Robert Felton Freeman, 79, of Midland, passed away on July 20, 2014. The family will be accepting guests from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 26, 2014 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home, 3800 N Big Spring St., Midland, Texas. No other services will be held.

Robert "Bob" was born April 19, 1935 in Lamesa, Texas to Lucille and Lorenzo Daily Freeman.

After graduating from Klondike High School in Dawson County, Texas, he worked for Gulf Oil Corp. He was a student at Texas Tech from 1955-1958. After three years at Texas Tech, he entered the United States Army in November 1958. He was with the 1st Missile Battalion, 41st Field Artillery (Honest John) Regiment on the Czechoslovakian border during the Cold War. He was an Operations Intelligent Specialist and calculated mathematical coordinates to put Nuclear Warheads in place. He was stationed in Germany for two years and was released from active duty in February 1962.

After farming for a year, he entered the Baylor University Law School, where he earned his Law Degree and ultimately his Juris Doctorate. While attending Baylor, he was active in student government, serving on the Board of Governors of the Student Bar Association, and Secretary/Treasurer of his senior class. He was also a member of Delta Theta Phi, the national law fraternity. He was admitted to the Texas Bar Association, December 1965, and admitted to practice before U.S. Supreme Court; U. S. Western District of Texas.

He practiced General, Civil and Criminal law in State, Federal and Appellate Courts and provided Probate, Personal Injury and Family Law to many clients.

He came to Midland shortly after his graduation. He worked for a year as a member of the Kerr, Fitzgerald, and Kerr Law Firm and was appointed Assistant District Attorney May 16, 1966. He was Assistant District Attorney for three years before opening a private law practice in 1969, housed in the Petroleum Life Building until 1975.

His former law partners were the Honorable John G. Hyde from 1975 to 1990 and J. Brian Martin from 1982 to 1990. He re-opened a private practice again in May 1990. He was a member of the Midland County Bar Association, State Bar of Texas and Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association.

He was a member of the Waco Masonic Lodge 92 and a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason. He was a past member of the Midland Scottish Rite Association.

While there was never room for any gray areas in his life, he appreciated the black and white letter of the law and remained steadfast and true to his convictions and traditions.

The family would like to express deepest appreciation and grateful thanks to all the administrators, nurses, caregivers and volunteers at Home Hospice of Midland and Home Care Assistance of Midland who gave so generously of their time and talents.

He is survived by his loving wife of 33 years, Doris "Suzy" Freeman; stepdaughters, Melissa McGlothlin King of Colorado and LizBeth McGlothlin Frazier and husband, Steve Frazier, of Colorado; brother, Jimmy Freeman of Lamesa, Texas; and sister-in-law, Mrs. L.D. (Margaret) Freeman of Lubbock, Texas; grandchildren, Tyler Gray, Erin Frazier, Matthew Frazier, Allison Frazier Ashley and her husband, Allen Ashley, all of Colorado; great-grandson, Levi Ashley; nieces, Crystal, Melony, Jill, Julie, Sandra, Rhonda and Linda.

He is also survived by step-children, Stephanie and husband, Mark Wilson, and their daughter, Reve, of San Antonio, Texas, Hillori Hager of Dallas, Texas, and Aaron Hall of Midland, Texas.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Cora Lucille Horn Freeman and Lorenzo Daily Freeman; and brother, L. D. Freeman, Jr.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to Scottish Rite Children's Hospital, 2222 Welborn Street, Dallas, Texas 75219-3993, and Home Hospice of Midland, 901 W. Missouri, Midland, Texas 79701.

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

Raymond Don Thomas, Jr.

Raymond Don Thomas, Jr. was born on January 27, 1963 in Haskell, TX and passed into a pain free Heaven on July 17, 2014 at his home in Loving County, TX at the age of "Forty-Eleven" (51).

He leaves behind a large family to remember and carry on. Those left to cherish his memory include his wife: Mary Nell Thomas of Loving County; one daughter: Robyn and husband Shay Wood of Midland; one son: Marcus of Midland; father: Raymond Don Thomas, Sr. of Wink and mother: Margaret Rose Thomas of Wink; four brothers: Randy Thomas and wife Phyllis of Wink, Ronnie Thomas and children of Wink, Wayland Thomas and wife Kay and children of Lake Whitney, Gerald Thomas and children of Wink; one aunt: Joyce Weir of Dallas and several cousins.

Raymond loved and was very proud of his brother's children and their children and enjoyed spending time with them, especially at Christmas when he could buy presents.

He is preceded in death by his paternal grandparents: M.A "Tom" Thomas and Ozella Thomas and maternal grandparents: Herman and Philomena Friske.

Raymond started school in Rule, TX then the family moved to West Texas where he graduated from Wink High School. He worked as hard as he played. Some of the places he worked were: Howard's Texaco, Burn's Electric, Brown Electric, his own Del Star Electric and was working for TESSCO until his health prevented him from continuing. He made lifelong friends along the way and to name a few would not do justice to the rest. He considered ya'll his extended family.

He had a full and adventurous life including race cars and motorcycles. He enjoyed NASCAR, pool, shuffleboard, gambling, Crown, gardening and Marlboro Lights, but his true passions were hunting and fishing. Above everything else, he loved his family, most of all his two children of whom he was extraordinarily proud.

Raymond fought a hard, seven year battle with cancer and with the help of Home Hospice was much relieved the last few days. When his body failed, he decided he would beat his cancer and it would damn well die with him. Raymond said he might not be here to enjoy it but he ***would*** win.

We invite you to join us at the victory celebration of Raymond's life on Saturday, July 26, 2014 at the house in Loving County. We will begin at 10:00 am and lunch will follow.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests gifts to: M.D. Anderson Cancer Research at P.O. Box 4464 Houston, TX 77210-4464, The Wounded Warrior Foundation at 4899 Belfort Rd. Ste. 300 Jacksonville, FL 32256, Farmers and Hunters Feeding the Hungry at FHFH P.O. Box 323 Williamsport, MD 21795-0323 or any charity or cause you support.

Death Notices

Reverend H. A. Bowens, Sr.

Services for Reverend H. A. Bowens, Sr. were held on Saturday, July 19, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Crane, Texas.

He passed away on Thursday, July 10, 2014.

Carmen Womack Ball

Carmen Womack Ball passed on Thursday June 5, 2014.

A Celebration of her life was held Saturday June 14, 2014, at Faith 4 Life Church 1000 McNeil Rd. Round Rock, Texas.

She is survived by four children, Berwyn Fisk, Hillary Kimmel, Larry Ball, and Dan Ball; and one sister.

A graveside service will be held August 2, 2014, at 3:00 p.m. at Resthaven Cemetery in Midland, Texas.

Charles Randall Robinson

Charles Randall Robinson, 59, of Odessa, passed away on Sunday, July 20, 2014, at Medical Center Hospital.

Survivors are his two brothers and one sister.

Visitation will be Friday, July 25, 2014, from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., with the family receiving friends that evening from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m. Saturday, July 26, 2014, at Acres West Funeral Chapel.

Frances Wyatt Brown

Frances Wyatt Brown, 90, of Spring, Texas and formerly of Midland, Texas, passed away on Saturday, July 19, 2014 at Vitas Hospice, Conroe, Texas.

Graveside Funeral Services will be conducted at Resthaven Memorial Park, Midland, Texas at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 23, 2014.

Jack Dean Switzer

Jack Dean Switzer, 85, of Midland, passed away on Tuesday, July 22, 2014, at Senior Care Nursing Home of Midland.

He is survived by his wife, Carol Hayes Switzer; and two daughters, Tracy Yates and Caryn Stoner.

No Services will be held at this time.

James Turner

James Turner, 86, of Big Spring, died Sunday July 20, 2014. Graveside services will be 2:00 p.m. Thursday at Westlawn Cemetery in Borger, Texas.

He is survived by one daughter, Jackie Wilcox; two sons, James Turner and Ron Turner; and by one brother.

Neal Allen

Neal Allen, 81, of Midland, died Monday, July 21, 2014. Memorial services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Monday, July 28, 2014 at Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity in Midland.

He is survived by his wife, Marilyn.

Tyronda Machella Montgomery

Tyronda Machella "Bunky" Montgomery, 36, of Odessa, passed away in a tragic accident on Saturday, July 12, 2014, in Dallas, Texas.

Tyronda is survived by her mother, Patricia Montgomery Williams; father, Robert Jones; paternal grandmother, Verna Mae Jones; and two brothers.

The wake will be held Thursday evening from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Manna for Life Ministries, 1312 South Jackson, Odessa.

Funeral services will be 1:00 p.m. Friday, July 25, 2014, at Manna for Life Ministries. Interment will follow at Peaceful Gardens Section of Ector County Cemetery.

Virgil Keith Morgan

Virgil Keith Morgan, 85, of Midland passed away surrounded by family July 18, 2014, at his home.

The family will be accepting guests on Sunday evening, July 27, 2014, from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be held at Mid-Cities Community Church on Monday July 28, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.

JEREMIAH

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either receive extra help on subjects where needed or take elective courses in small groups. The lesson will shift to social skills after lunch and students will discuss how to handle challenging situations and act out ways to best handle them.

The Jeremiah School will have a religious component, including the golden rule, woven throughout, Parsley said.

"If the spirit's not fed, you're not going to have everything, either," she said.

The school's name comes from one of Parsley's favorite Bible verses, Jeremiah 29:11: "'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.'"

Parsley said she hopes to avoid any major bumps her first year and show her students that learning can be fun.

"I want the kids to live it, to feel successful," she said. "If they want to come and they've bought into it and know that it's theirs, they're going to want to learn because they'll see that it matters."

In the future, Parsley said she'd like to expand up to 36 students and hire two additional teachers and one more assistant for a total staff of six.

But before she can train anyone else to work at her school, Parsley has to figure it out for herself.

Parsley has taught at the elementary, junior high and high school levels in reading recovery, reading, science and English as a second language. She believes God led her to teach so many grades and subjects to lead her up to this moment.

"God put that there because I didn't know I was going to do this," she said.

To learn more about the Jeremiah School, visit the school's website at jeremiahschool.org or its Facebook page at facebook.com/JeremiahSchool2014.

Deaf educator and pioneer Robert Panara dies at 94

Associated Press

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — Robert Panara, who lost his hearing as a child and became a leading educator of the deaf and a pioneer of studies of deaf culture, has died. He was 94.

Panara died of natural causes Sunday at the Rochester nursing home where he lived, according to longtime friend and colleague Harry Lang, who recalled Panara as an educator whose influence went well beyond the classroom.

Panara's career included teaching at Gallaudet University and the Rochester Institute of Technology, where he was a founder of the school's National Technical Institute for the Deaf (NTID). He also was a founder of the National Theater of the Deaf in Connecticut. He was the first deaf person to earn an academic teaching position after graduating from the New York School for the Deaf in White Plains, New York.

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issued a statement that summarizes their concerns.

"City Code states that a business should not be detrimental to the health and safety of the community," the statement says. "In the last six months, there have been at least six oil and gas related fires, explosions and/or blowouts in Weld County. This raises concern for the health and safety of our children, neighboring businesses and homes."

Despite a lack of consensus that drilling causes increased health risks, the group also points to concerns over the long-term health effects from vapors.

"Children spend hours at their school each day trying to learn and enrich their lives," the statement says. "They work to diligently focus, study, and read in an environment that should be free of distraction and extreme noise. They should be able to run in playgrounds without the worry of harming their health from toxic emissions and (volatile organic compounds). They want to feel safe without adding an additional oil explosion/emergency evacuation drill to the multiple ones they already have to practice."

Logan Richardson said nearly all land-use applications have opponents. His company is not expecting anything different for this application. He said that while some try to tell a negative story of the oil and gas industry, the city of Greeley has been supportive.

"Greeley, for good reasons, overwhelmingly supports oil and gas development," he said. "We are proud that we have earned the trust of our hometown and we understand the responsibility we have to honor its residents including the thousands of Greeley mineral owners who have entrusted us to safely develop their property rights."

Brad Mueller, Greeley's community development director, said it would be September or October before the city would hold a hearing on the application. He said he doesn't know whether this application would get a recommendation from his office to city planners, but added the new setbacks are much farther than previously planned and, all other things being equal, it was possible.

"We can't be sure if (the planning commission) will approve it until it goes to a hearing, and that didn't happen last time," Mueller said. "But if it looks very similar to the last one, that one met the codes."

WORKSHOPS

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and their parents might not be able to afford that. So that's why we earmarked those monies specifically for scholarships for Kids' College."

Blues Fest Workshops

- Beginner Blues Harmonica (for 14 and older) - 10 a.m.
- Make & Play: Diddley Bow Building (for 8 and older) - 10 a.m.
- Slide Guitar Basics (for 14 and older) - 11:15 a.m.
- Finding Joy in the Blues (for 6-12) - 11:30 a.m.
- Unleashing the Power of Stage Presence (for 10 and older)- 12:45 p.m.
- Write Your Best Song (for 10 and older) - 1 p.m.
- Make & Play: Cigar-Box Guitar Building (for 8 and older) - 2:30 p.m.
- Blues by Ear: Advanced Blues Rock Guitar (for 14 and older) - 2:15 p.m.

All workshops will take place at the DoubleTree by Hilton on Saturday.

To pre-register, visit https://ce.midland.edu/cp/ or call 685-4518. Pre-registration is $15 per workshop. Walk-up registration will be available subject to the workshop's capacity on Saturday for $20 per course.

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	G	S	X	C	W	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	The Middle	Goldberg "Kara-te"	Modern "Spy"	The Middle	Motive "Abandoned" (N)		KMID News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live		(:35) News Nightline
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	7 News	Ent. Tonight	Big Brother (N)		Extant "Wish You Were Here" (N)		Criminal Minds "The Inspiration"		CBS 7 News	(:35) David Letterman		(:35) Late Late (N)
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Gilligan's Island	Happy Days	Hogan's Heroes	Welcome Kotter	F Troop	F Troop	Twilight Zone	Mason "The Case of the Hesitant Hostess		Dragnet
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	So You Think You Can Perform, 2 Eliminated" (N)		Dance "Top 16		Modern Family	Modern Family	The Arsenio Hall Show		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Mani Erfan	House Call	Update News	Dollars & Sense	Light of the Southwest				Dr. Rik Wadge	HaYesod	Jean Claude	Dr William
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	NewsWest 9 at 6 p.m.		America's Got Talent "Boot Camp" The top 48 acts are announced. (N)				Taxi Brooklyn "Ambush" (N)		News-West 9	(:35) Jimmy Fallon		(:35) Seth Meyers
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Wild "The Ape Who Went to College" (N)		Nova		Sex in the Wild "Orangutans" (N)		Charlie Rose (N)		BBC News	Tavis Smiley
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FLIX	340	65		165		(5:20) Krippendorf...		★★★ The Muse				(:40) ★ The Odd Couple II Jack Lemmon.			★★★ Big Business		
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PLEX			96			(5:20) ★★★ Elf		★★★ Masterminds				(:50) ★★★ The Last Tycoon ('76, Dra) Robert De Niro.				Making Mr. Right	
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	(5:15) Man on a L...		★★ Beauty Shop Queen Latifah.				Masters of Sex		The Canyons Lindsay Lohan.		Movie	
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(5:00) Stakeout		★★★ In the Name of the Father				(:15) ★★★ Veronica Guerin				The Magdalene	
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dy "G.I. SI"	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Big Smo (N)	Big Smo (N)	Big Smo	Big Smo	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dy "G.I. SI"
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	(4:00) Angels & ...		★★ Jurassic Park III Sam Neill.				★★ Jurassic Park III Sam Neill.				★★ Eragon	
BET	58	26		40		Apollo Live				★ Middle of Nowhere David Oyelowo.				Game	Game	Wendy Williams	
BRAVO	65	63		41		Housewives NJ		Wives "The Last Leg"		Listing Miami (N)		Housewives NJ		Watch (N)	Listing Miami		H Wives
CNBC	46	45		39	72	Restaurant Startup		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed (N)		American Greed		American Greed	
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		A. Bourdain "Spain"		CNN Tonight		A. Cooper 360		A. Bourdain "Spain"	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	American Muscle		A.Muscle: Ripped (N)		American Muscle (N)		Naked and Afraid (N)		American Muscle		Naked "Cambodia"	
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	Austin	Liv Maddie	★ Phineas & Ferb: Across the...		Dog Blog	Dog Blog	Jessie		Austin	Liv/Mad	Phil	Phil
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	MLB Baseball San Francisco Giants at Philadelphia Phillies (L)						Baseball Tonight (L)		SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	Soccer International Friendly (L)				Soccer International Friendly (L)				Olbermann (L)		Olbermann	
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	MystGirls	YngHngry	YngHngry	M.Girls	★★★ Liar Liar ('97, Com) Jim Carrey.				The 700 Club		YngHngry	MystGirls
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File		Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File	
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Restaurant		Stakeout "Whine Bar"		Stakeout (N)		Restaurant (N)		Rest. "Feathers Fly		Restaurant Stakeout	
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	MLB Baseball Texas Rangers at New York Yankees Bronx, N.Y. (L)				Yankee Stadium Site		Rangers (L)	Cowboys1 Game365	Champions Tennis Houston, Texas		PowerShares Series	
FX	31	31	59	64	69	Movie	★ Act of Valor ('12, Act) Roselyn Sanchez, Alex Veadov.					The Bridge (N)		The Bridge		Tyrant	
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	Waltons "The Book"		Waltons "The Job"		Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	G Girls	G Girls	G Girls	G Girls
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	Property Brothers		Cousins Under (N)		Property Brothers (N)		HouseH	House	Property Brothers		Property Brothers	
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		(:05) Pickers		American Pickers	
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	Bring It! "The Lock-In"		Bring It! "Battle Royale"		Bring It! "So You Wanna Be a Doll?" (N)		BAPs "Welcome Home, No Spitting" (N)		BAPs "Welcome Home, No Spitting		Bring It! "Battle Royale"	
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				Soccer International Friendly Site: Fenway Park - Boston, Mass. (L)						Live	MLS Soccer	Chicago Fire at San Jose Earthquakes (L)			
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Sam, Cat	WitchWay	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Jail	Police	
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	(5:30) ★★ The 6th Day				★★★ Hellboy ('04, Sci-Fi) John Hurt, Ron Perlman.					Aliens on the Moon		
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Seinfeld	Seinf "The Maestro"	Family Guy	Family Guy	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Conan Stephen Moyer Boy and Bear (N)		The Office	Conan
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(5:00) Three Darl...		★★★ Bullitt ('68, Cri) Steve McQueen.				(:15) ★★★★ The Treasure of the Sierra Madre					Movie
TELE	20	8	10	20		Caso cerrado		Reina de Corazones		En otra piel		El señor de los cielos		Al rojo	(:35) Titular	En otra piel	
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Think You Are "Chelsea Handler"		Think You Are "Sarah Jessica Parker"		Think You Are "Cynthia Nixon" (N)		Think You Are "Matthew Broderick		Think You Are "Cynthia Nixon		Think You Are "Matthew Broderick"	
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	Castle "Secret's Safe With Me"		Castle "Murder, He Wrote"		Castle "Probable Cause"		Castle "The Final Frontier"		(:05) The Last Ship "Tom		(:10) Falling Skies "Mind Wars"	
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	Griffith	A. Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Queens	Queens	Hot In (N)	Jennifer	Hot In	Jennifer	Loves Ray	Loves Ray
USA	26	30	42	27	49	Law & Order: S.V.U. "Desperate"		Law & Order: S.V.U. "Strange Beauty"		Suits "Litt the Hell Up" (N)		Graceland "The Unlucky One" (N)		Modern Family	Modern Family	Suits "Litt the Hell Up"	
WGN	19	18				America's Funniest Home Videos		MP	Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage	Rules of Engage	Rules of Engage	Rules of Engage	Rules of Engage	Rules of Engage	Rules of Engage	Met Your Mother

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UT-Austin president now will have chance to continue working on many vital projects

Houston Chronicle

■ COMMENTARY

After the Forty Acres sturm und drang that University of Texas System Chancellor Francisco Cigarroa ignited this month with his ultimatum to UT-Austin President Bill Powers that he resign immediately or face firing, the chancellor accepted Powers' proposal Junly 16 that he stay on as president until June 2, 2015. Although we're left to wonder why Cigarroa had to go through what seemed to be a fit of pique unbecoming to a high-level administrator, we are pleased with the result.

Powers, who by most accounts has been a superb president and who enjoys the support of students, faculty and alumni, now will have an opportunity to continue working on many of the vital projects he began: concluding the university's record-setting capital campaign; continuing to move forward with the new Dell Medical School, launching construction of a $310 million Engineering Education and Research Center and guiding the university through what is likely to be a rancorous legislative session.

That "smooth transition to new leadership" borrowing Cigarroa's phrase, allows the board of regents to begin an exhaustive national search process without the cloud of rancor and uncertainty that would have accompanied Powers' dismissal.

One more thing: By staying in his fourth-floor office in U.T.'s Main Building for another year, Powers allows his successor to take over at a time when there'll be a new occupant of the Governor's Mansion a few blocks away. The new resident, whoever he or she may be, owes Powers a "Hook 'em Horns" for that favor.

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Yesterday's Answer: COSTAR, DOMAIN, NOVICE

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MAKINGTHEGRADE

FROM STAFF REPORTS

The Permian Basin Are Foundation awarded numerous scholarships during its 18th annual scholarship dinner Thursday at the Horseshoe.

Recipients include the following Midland and area students:

Midland

■ Association of Energy Service Cos. Scholarship: **Jacob Smith, Alexandra Williams**

■ Tyler Berry Memorial Soccer Scholarship: **Sarah Kendrick, Ricky Munoz**

■ Della and Tom Campbell Family Scholarship: **Cody McIntyre**

■ Patricia Cobb Memorial Scholarship: **Anne Bergman, Victoria Reyna, Austen Wade**

■ Connell Family Scholarship: **Aaron Perez**

■ Frank Cowden Jr. Memorial Scholarship: **Zachary Curtis**

■ Dawson Geophysical Scholarship: **Thawng Bik, Zachery Byars, Alexander Dalton**

■ Mary Frances "Chan" Driscoll Kappa Alpha Theta Scholarship: **Kelcie Mann**

■ Marie Hall Scholarship: **Landon Bell, Perla Carreon, Cody McIntyre, Haley Rhodes**

■ Gene Douglas Hawley Memorial Scholarship: **Alexandra Speight**

■ John & Rose Marie Healey Memorial Scholarship: **Melissa D. Espinosa, Victoria Thacher**

■ Elizabeth Henry Memorial Scholarship: **Michael Bell**

■ Clayton Welch Henson Memorial Scholarship: **Jeffery Franklin, Mayson Thompson**

■ Daniel Parker Herd Memorial Scholarship: **Ashley Cross, Brittany Frantz, Jessica Hernandez**

■ Bob & Bobbie Hill Scholarship: **Gerald Adkins, Samuel Harryman**

■ Grace Loveless Jones Scholarship: **Morgan McDonald**

■ Wally Kleine Bulldog Excel Scholarship: **Jason Raughton**

■ Madhuri Vindhya Kumar Memorial Nursing Scholarship: **Yadira Bustamante**

■ Ted & Von Dean Memorial Scholarship: **David Villesca**

■ Shannon S. Lea Memorial Scholarship: **Brittany Frantz**

■ Randy Lee Scholarship: **Anthony Madrid, Caroline Norwood, Olivia Taylor**

■ Midland Reunion 2000 Scholarship: **Shelbi Goswick**

■ Midland Texas Tech University Alumni Scholarship: **Mackenzie Culwell**

■ Bill Mims Memorial Scholarship: **Madeline Pattillo**

■ Joe E. Morales Memorial Scholarship: **Hunter Streun**

■ Katy and Paul Morrow Scholarship: **Melody Davis, Cora Drozd**

■ Ann & Roy Northern Memorial Scholarship: **Kathryn McGowan, Victoria Reyna**

■ Tommy Norwood Memorial Scholarship: **Allyson Gordon, Thomas Jones**

■ Joe M. Parsley Engineering Scholarship: **Mason Montgomery**

■ Permian Basin Scholarship for Petroleum Engineering: **Jennifer Gutierrez, Corbin McCullough, Robert McDonnald**

■ Permian Honor Scholarship: **Katherine Boyd, Samantha Edwards**

■ James C. Pitts Jr. Memorial Scholarship: **Michael Bell**

■ Blanche Plunkett Memorial Scholarship: **Megan Sitzman, Natasha Thio**

■ Jacob Power Fighting Rebel Memorial Scholarship: **Garrett Greer, Logan Vitello**

■ Brian A. Semple Memorial Scholarship: **Sherry Chen, Kathryn McGowan, Alexandra Williams**

■ Sharyland Utilities Scholarship: **Hannah Thomas**

■ Todd Shiplet Memorial Scholarship: **Joseph Flores**

■ Mary Spannaus Medical Education Memorial Scholarship: **Erika Corrrea**

■ Stanton Lions Club Scholarship: **Jonathan Ramos**

■ Daffy Tabor Memorial Scholarship: **Samantha Kail**

■ Patrick Wayland Memorial Scholarship: **Sam Grimes, Jackson Lancaster**

■ Wes-Tex Telephone Cooperative Scholarship: **Jeffrey Franklin, Aaron Perez**

■ Philip Wickmann Memorial Scholarship: **Sam Grimes**

■ Cole Williams Memorial Scholarship: **Blake Colburn**

■ Barbara Yarbrough Scholarship: **Shelbi Goswick**

Andrews

■ Frank Cowden Jr. Memorial Scholarship: **Sam Hooper**

■ Permian Honor Scholarship: **Ashley Lujan**

■ Donnie Munsell Memorial Scholarship: **Garrett Morrison**

■ Kristin Corbin Memorial Scholarship: **Lance Norton, Mareli Sanchez**

■ Amy Gardner Memorial "Louis Armstrong" Scholarship: **Candace Trevino**

Stanton

■ Bob and Dorothy Deavenport Scholarship: **Christian Arndt**

■ Grace Loveless Jones Scholarship: **Sarah Baker, Drew Snellgrove**

■ Gordon & Inez Stone Memorial Scholarship: **Bayli Barnhill**

■ Connell Family Scholarship: **Rachaell Billett, Laci Dugan, Ethan Mauldin**

■ Prentiss and Leona Hightower Memorial Scholarship: **Austin Bird**

■ Dawson Geophysical Scholarship: **Levi Bryand, Amber Langford, Josue Rodriguez**

■ Jimmie & Dorothy Mashburn Scholarship: **Levi Bryand, Celeste Ramirez**

■ Marie Hall Scholarship: **Gabrielle Garza**

■ J. Alex & Ruby Haggard Scholarship: **Shelby Gordon**

■ Mashburn Legacy Scholarship: **Christian Arndt, Sarah Baker, Laci Dugan, Rachel Franklin, Logan Fryar, Shelby Gordon, Ethan Mauldin, Selah Ramsey**

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■ West-Tex Telephone Cooperative Scholarship: **Brett Borman, Sarah Melendez and Matthew Mims**

Garden City

■ West-Tex Telephone Cooperative Scholarship: **Hannah Halfmann**

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TULSA, Okla. — Midlander **Zachary Joel Sullivan** recently graduated from Oklahoma State University Center for Health Sciences.

He graduated a with a doctor of osteopathic medicine degree and plans to complete his residency in psychiatry at the University of Texas in Houston.

Sullivan is a 2003 graduate of Lee High School and the son of Clay and Sandra Sullivan of Tomball.

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ROCHESTER, N.Y. — Midlander **Jennifer Mc Cabe** recently graduated from Rochester Institute of Technology.

She received a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in professional photographic illustration.

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Midlander **Zachary Santonil** recently graduated from the University of Dallas.

He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in physics.

EDUCATIONINBRIEF

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

MIDLAND COUNTY

Greenwood ISD accepting lunch applications

Greenwood ISD is now accepting applications for its free and reduced-price school meal program.

Children of families meeting certain income requirements, households receiving SNAP, FDPIR or TANF benefits, in foster care or who meet the definition of homeless, runaway or migrant are eligible to participate in the program.

Applications for the program must be resubmitted each school year. One application is required per household, and can be obtained from and returned to Penni Bergstrom.

GISD policy requires that meals must be paid for in advance. Students are not permitted to charge meals to their account, according to a district spokeswoman.

Should a student not qualify at this time, they can enroll at any time during the school year if they become eligible.

Parents or guardians with questions may contact Sandra Smith at 685-7816 or Bergstrom at 685-7825.

DALLAS

School board extends superintendent's contract

The superintendent of the Dallas Independent School District has received a two-year contract extension but no raise.

Trustees early Tuesday approved the deal with Mike Miles, who makes about $300,000 annually. The agreement extends a contract that was set to expire next June 30.

School board members convened late Monday afternoon and for a time met behind closed doors to discuss the superintendent's contract.

Miles said the extension shows the board supports education and staff improvements he's made since being hired in 2012.

An independent investigation ordered last year by school board members cleared Miles of wrongdoing in the handling of a service contract. The review found Miles, who denied wrongdoing, violated district policy by talking to witnesses during an initial probe.

Dallas ISD has more than 157,000 students.

NORTH DAKOTA

Oil-boom town breaksground for new school

WATFORD CITY — Construction is underway on a new high school in Watford City.

Ground was broken Monday for a $50 million facility. The school, slated to be completed by winter 2015, will be able to accommodate 800 students.

Gov. Jack Dalrymple said the new school will help the McKenzie County School District deal with growing enrollment caused by the oil boom.

Watford City had a population of 1,744 in the 2010 census. But North Dakota's oil boom has brought thousands more to the community.

Schools across the state's western oil patch have struggled to keep up with dramatic population growth in recent years.

COLLEGE STATION

Texas A&M to restore 200-plus-year-old anchor

An anchor recovered from Puget Sound north of Seattle and believed to be more than 200 years old has reached Texas A&M University for restoration.

School officials on Monday announced that the anchor — believed to be from the HMS Chatham — arrived in College Station via truck.

The 900-pound anchor was discovered six years ago by diver Doug Monk in an inlet off Whidbey Island. Floats were used to bring the anchor to the surface.

Experts want to know if the anchor was lost by the Royal Navy survey brig in 1792 during British explorer George Vancouver's adventures.

The anchor was taken in June to the Northwest Maritime Center in Port Townsend, Washington, to be prepped for transport to Texas. Restoration should take about 18 months at A&M's Center for Maritime Archaeology and Conservation.

NEBRASKA

University to research robotic surgery

LINCOLN — The U.S. Army has provided $1.4 million for more University of Nebraska research into remote-controlled robotic surgery.

University of Nebraska Medical Center and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln researchers have been working since 2008 with the U.S. Army's Joint Warfighter Medical Research Program to develop miniature robotic technology. The goal is to enable surgeons to perform minimally invasive procedures for wounded soldiers who immediately can't be evacuated.

Dr. Dmitry Oleynikov is director of the Center for Minimally Invasive Surgery and the Center for Advanced Surgical Technology at the medical center. He said minirobots have the capability to provide basic diagnosis and triage of internal injuries. They would be inserted into patients and be controlled by surgeons elsewhere.

He said the technology may be applied in civilian settings and rural environments.

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TODAY: Mostly sunny — High: 100 Low: 76

THURSDAY: Mostly sunny — High: 100 Low: 76

FRIDAY: Mostly sunny — High: 102 Low: 78

SATURDAY: Sunny — High: 102 Low: 77

SUNDAY: Mostly sunny — High: 98 Low: 75

MONDAY: Mostly sunny — High: 97 Low: 74

Local forecast

Expect mostly sunny skies today with a high around 100 and east winds between 5 and 10 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy conditions with a low around 76 and east winds between 5 and 10 mph.

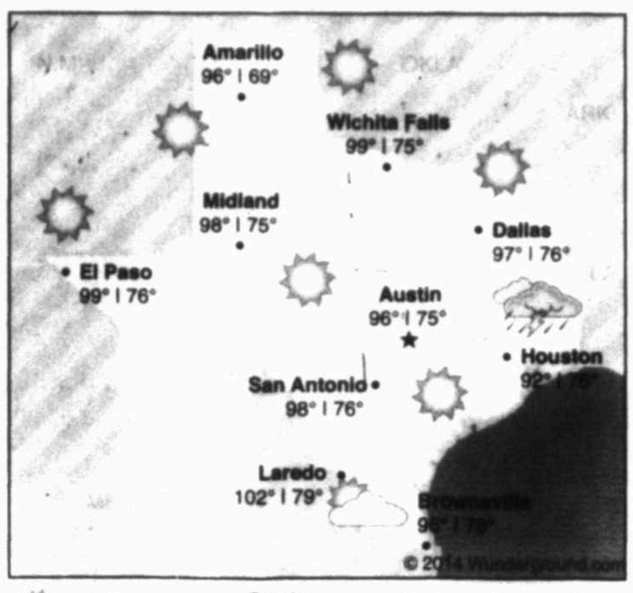
Thursday, look for mostly sunny skies with a high around 100 and southeast winds between 5 and 10 mph. Expect partly cloudy conditions at night, with a low around 76.

The high on Tuesday reached 97, while the low dropped to 77. The record high for July 22 is 103 set in 1981 and 2001. The record low is 58 set in 1988.

National forecast

Typical air for midsummer will hold over the South and the Northeast today. The moist, unstable atmosphere may yield spotty, drenching thunderstorms over the Southeast, where there will be a risk of flash flooding.

A more concentrated zone of drenching, gusty and severe thunderstorms will extend from southern Missouri and northern Arkansas to New York state and northern New England. These storms will bring a risk of blinding rain, flash flooding and damaging wind gusts.



Precipitation

Monday	0.00 in.
Tuesday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.28 in.
Year total	3.92 in.
Normal total (year to date)	7.37 in.

Tuesday's temperatures

High	97
Low	77
Normal high	95
Normal low	70
Sunrise	6:58 a.m.
Sunset	8:52 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Wednesday, July 23

Girl and cousin both need counseling after assault

DEAR ABBY

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

DEAR ABBY: My granddaughter "Cindy," 2, was being watched by her mommy's ex-sister-in-law and her sons. Cindy went to her mommy and said, "Bubby hurt me." Bubby is what she calls her 10-year-old cousin. Her mother called the police. A policeman spoke to her and said there wasn't enough evidence. Now my granddaughter is scared of men.

The police went and talked to the cousin who said he "accidentally touched her down there with her pull-up on." DCFS was called in, and again it was a man. We took Cindy to a female doctor and Cindy told the doctor everything that happened to her. Now she wakes up having nightmares and yells, "No, Bubby. Stop!"

What's a grandmother to do to help her? We need justice for Cindy. — DISTRAUGHT GRANDMOTHER

DEAR DISTRAUGHT: You may need justice for Cindy, but what Cindy needs right now is professional help to get past the trauma of what was done to her. Contact the nearest rape treatment center, tell them everything you have told me and ask for their assistance in finding therapy for your grandchild. They hear stories like this all too often.

The boy who assaulted Cindy also needs counseling so that he won't/can't repeat what he did to her with another little girl. From my perspective, both of these children need professional help.

DEAR ABBY: For years I dated guys who I knew wanted a committed relationship, while I just wanted to have fun. I enjoyed being single and never saw myself getting married. My mom was married three times to men who abused her. It made the idea of marriage terrifying to me.

Through counseling, I have found healing from my past. I regret the damage I caused by leading guys on. Now that I want to be married, my life feels empty. While I used to enjoy my independence, I now want to share my experiences with someone.

Because of the counseling I have had, I know what I shouldn't settle for, but the only guys asking me out are sleazy. I feel like in some ways life was easier when I wanted to stay single. How do I find a healthy balance so I won't go back to my old ways or end up settling out of desperation? — HEALED BUT CONFUSED

DEAR HEALED BUT CONFUSED: One way would be to continue the counseling. While you may want to be married now, desperation and neediness are not traits that attract worthwhile men.

You need to be prepared to take some time and find a balance in your life while you're looking for Mr. Right. Explore your own interests, make friends with members of both sexes, do some volunteering if you have the time. If you do, the chances of your meeting the right kind of man will improve because you will have more to offer.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Louie and Larry

North-South vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ K 5 3
♥ J 9 8 6 2
♦ A 6 5
♣ 10 5

WEST
♠ Q 10 7
♥ K Q 7 4
♦ Q J 10
♣ Q 9 6

EAST
♠ 4
♥ 5 3
♦ 8 7 4 2
♣ K J 8 7 4 2

SOUTH
♠ A J 9 8 6 2
♥ A 10
♦ K 9 3
♣ A 3

The bidding

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♠	Pass	2♣	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: Queen of ♦

Hard Luck Louie was fighting the battle of the boards once again at the local duplicate. He won the opening diamond lead in hand and led a low trump to the king followed by another trump toward his ace. When East showed out, Louie could not make his contract. "Why is my life infested with bad trump splits?" moaned Louie.

Lucky Larry played the same hand later in the evening. He arrived at the same contract and received the same opening lead, but he chose a different line of play. Larry won the diamond lead in hand and cashed the ace of trumps. He then cashed the ace of hearts followed by the 10 of hearts.

West won with the queen and continued with the jack of diamonds. Larry rose with dummy's ace and led the jack of hearts, discarding his remaining diamond. West won, but there was nothing to do. He tried to cash the 10 of diamonds, but Larry ruffed, crossed to dummy with the king of trumps and discarded his low club on the nine of hearts. Contract made.

It's amazing how good luck seems to follow the better players around like a loving puppy. An initial club lead would have defeated four spades, but West cannot be faulted for his choice.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, July 23, 2014:

This year you intuitively know what to do. You say the right words, and you are more assertive than in the past. You take action with ease. Others will support you more often and will want to participate in your ventures. You also begin a new 12-year luck cycle. If you are single, you will be hard-pressed to maintain that status, as many potential suitors head your way. If you are attached, the love between you and your significant other blazes bright. You will want to fulfill one of your joint life goals in the next 12 months. CANCER tends to say little, but he or she is very observant.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You will be determined to wrap up a situation or eliminate a problem. Someone around you could be contentious. Sit back, and listen to what is being shared. You'll be coming from an unusually secure position. Let this person air out his or her concerns. Tonight: Take the night off.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ You tend to be instinctive when it comes to solving a problem. You seem to know what to do with any issue that arises from your daily contacts. You have a lot to offer. Allow others to come to you. Listen to what they ask, and then you can decide what to do. Tonight: Your treat.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ You might want to clear the air. You will need a creative approach in order to open up others, as they are likely to shut down unexpectedly if you are not careful. Remain sensitive to someone else's suggestions. Do not go beyond your normal limits. Tonight: Out late.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ You might want to say little and handle what you must first. Maintain good listening skills, and you will learn a lot about others. Do not allow a sense of irritation to get to you. Someone could be difficult, but you can ignore this person's criticism as well. Tonight: Nap, then decide.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Do not lose your focus; instead, stay focused on what is important. You could be distracted by a very flirtatious individual in your life, and enjoying every moment. You'll have a strong sense of direction once you refocus. Know what is needed here. Tonight: Share news.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ Pressure builds around you. You might feel as if you need to do some hard thinking, but you won't have the time yet to stop and reflect. Once you finish your to-do list, you will want to slow down and relax. A conversation with a friend also will be helpful. Tonight: A late-night chat.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ You'll feel energized and want to be direct with someone at a distance. This person might not appreciate your immediate reaction. Read between the lines with his or her reactions. You will assume far more responsibility than you typically do. Tonight: Out till the wee hours.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Ask yourself why you are having a strong reaction to someone. The answer could be more significant than you realize. Try to detach. You will be able to work with this person, if you so choose. Tonight: Reach out to someone at a distance.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ Others naturally will dominate the scene today. You could be focused on a different goal, and you might be barely interested in your day-to-day routine. A friend could be pushing you hard in the next few days. Take time for a loved one. Tonight: Relate to others directly.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ You seem to add to your to-do list all day long, rather than crossing things off. Be more in touch with how routine some of your activities are. Slow down, and know that you do not need to carry others' burdens. Tonight: Join a friend for dinner.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ You think quickly on your feet, even more so today. Your natural inclination will bring positive and rewarding results. Reach out to someone at a distance. The conversation alone will help you gain a perspective on what is happening around you. Tonight: Out and about.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ A partner could force your hand. You might want to pull back and consider what is going on. Is this really the stand you want to take? Honor what feels right to you, even if it involves a sudden change. Tonight: Head home first, then decide.

BORN TODAY

Musician Slash (1965), actor Daniel Radcliffe (1989), actor Woody Harrelson (1961)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Auto whose griffin logo was recently discontinued
5 Log on to
11 "Family Guy" daughter
14 Beige cousin
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19 Cousins, say
20 Lost it
21 It may be bulletproof
22 Free-for-all
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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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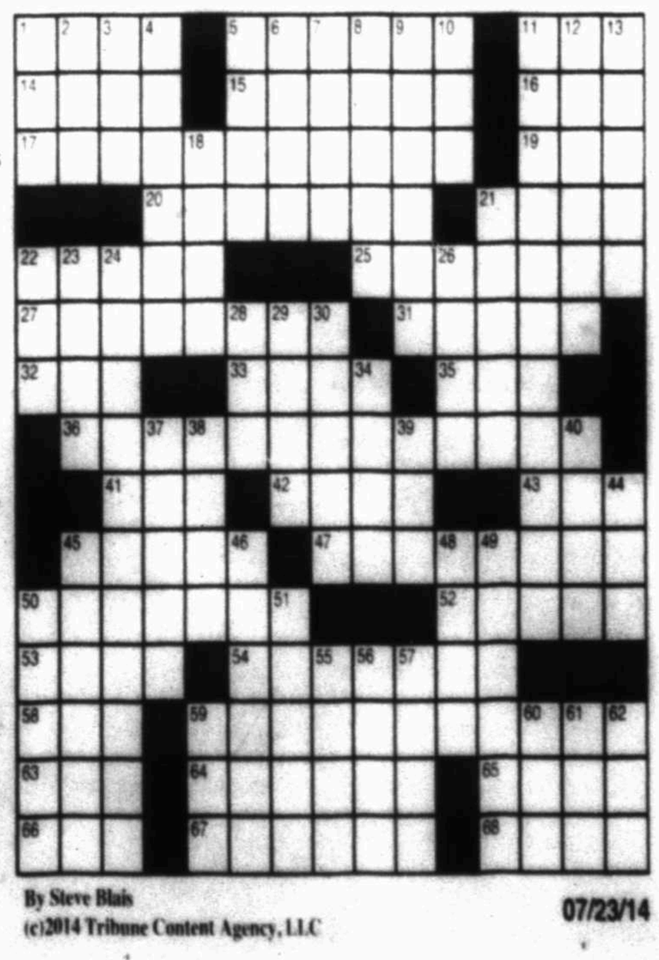

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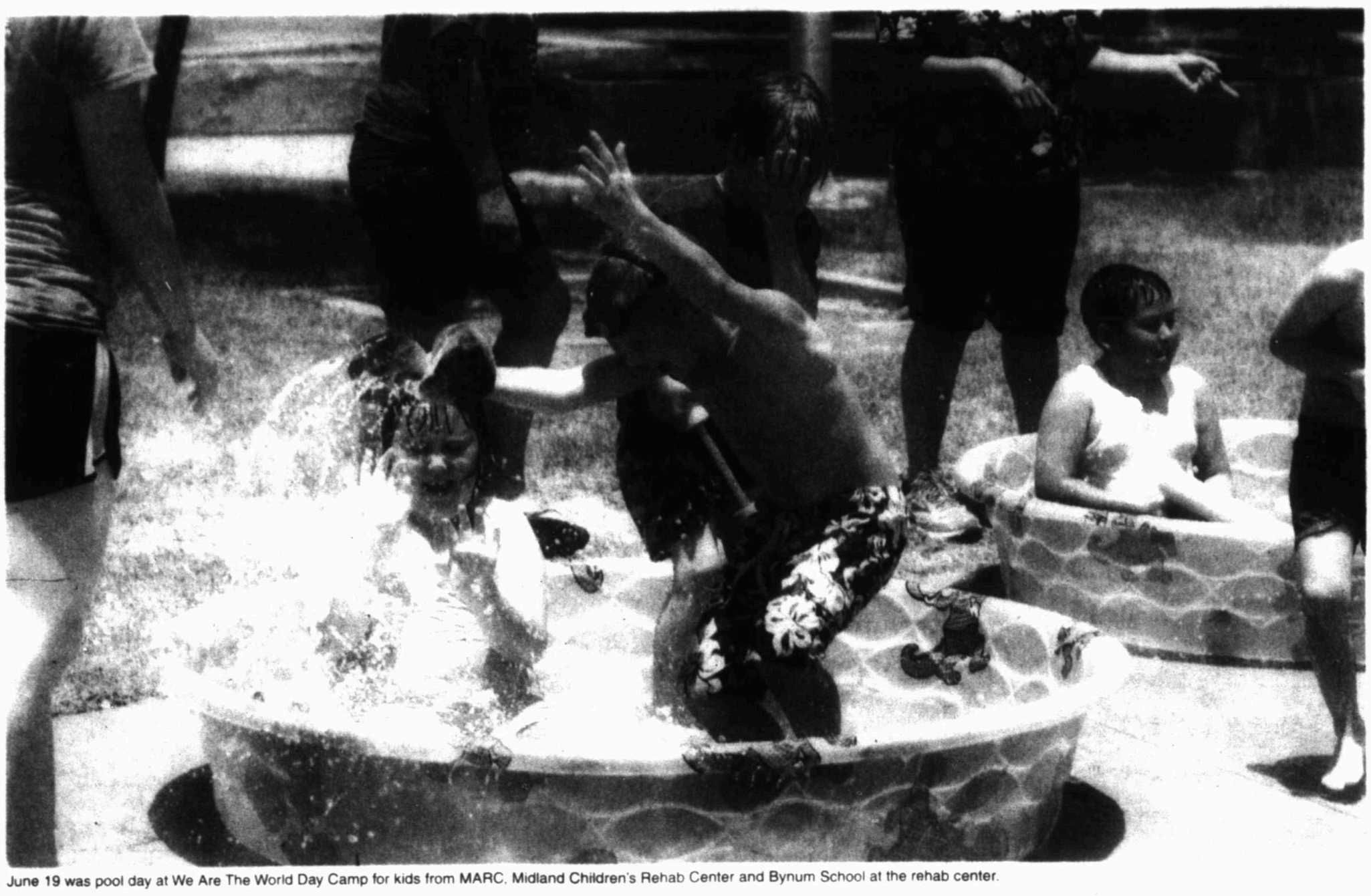

June 19 was pool day at We Are The World Day Camp for kids from MARC, Midland Children's Rehab Center and Bynum School at the rehab center.

POOL DAY AT MCRC

Photos by James Durbin | Reporter-Telegram

Texas' Strong prefers not talking national title

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

DALLAS — Charlie Strong riled up plenty of Texas fans during a statewide spring tour by saying the Longhorns wouldn't be in the national championship game.

The new coach toned down his honest assessment in future stops, then said Tuesday in his first appearance at Big 12 media days that he prefers not even talking about championships.

"I've been part of two national championships. The place (Florida) that I won it at, we never talked about going and winning a national championship," Strong said. "You expect them to have expectations at the University of Texas because you're at a premier program. But it's all about our players and just making sure we go compete. I don't ever want to put pressure on our team, on our players at all. I just want them to go out and just go to work each and every day."

The Longhorns haven't even won a Big 12 title since the 2009 season, when they made it to the national championship game, which is the primary reason Mack Brown is no longer the Texas coach.

Oklahoma is the preseason favorite to win its league-high ninth Big 12 title. Texas, which appeared with the Sooners, West Virginia, Kansas State and Iowa State on the second day of media days, is picked fourth.

Strong said his national championship comment on the first stop of the spring tour came as the Longhorns had just finished spring practice.

"We were not a healthy football team at that time," Strong said. "I can't say just how far off we are and that we will not know that until we go compete this fall. But we still have work to do. Now, we're not as bad as we used to be."

Strong said quarterback David Ash played "very well" when healthy last season and is the starter. Ash has been cleared to participate in contact drills after missing most of last season with concussion symptoms and part of spring drills with a broken left foot.

Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops sounded hopeful about possibly adding two proven offensive players this season, and not having to wait until 2015 for former Missouri receiver Dorial Green-Beckham and quarterback Baker Mayfield, a true freshman starter for Texas Tech last season when he

Please see STRONG/2C

Associated Press

Texas head coach Charlie Strong gives a hook 'em horns hand gesture to demonstrate celebrating rules for his athletes while speaking to the media at the Big 12 Conference NCAA football media days in Dallas on Tuesday

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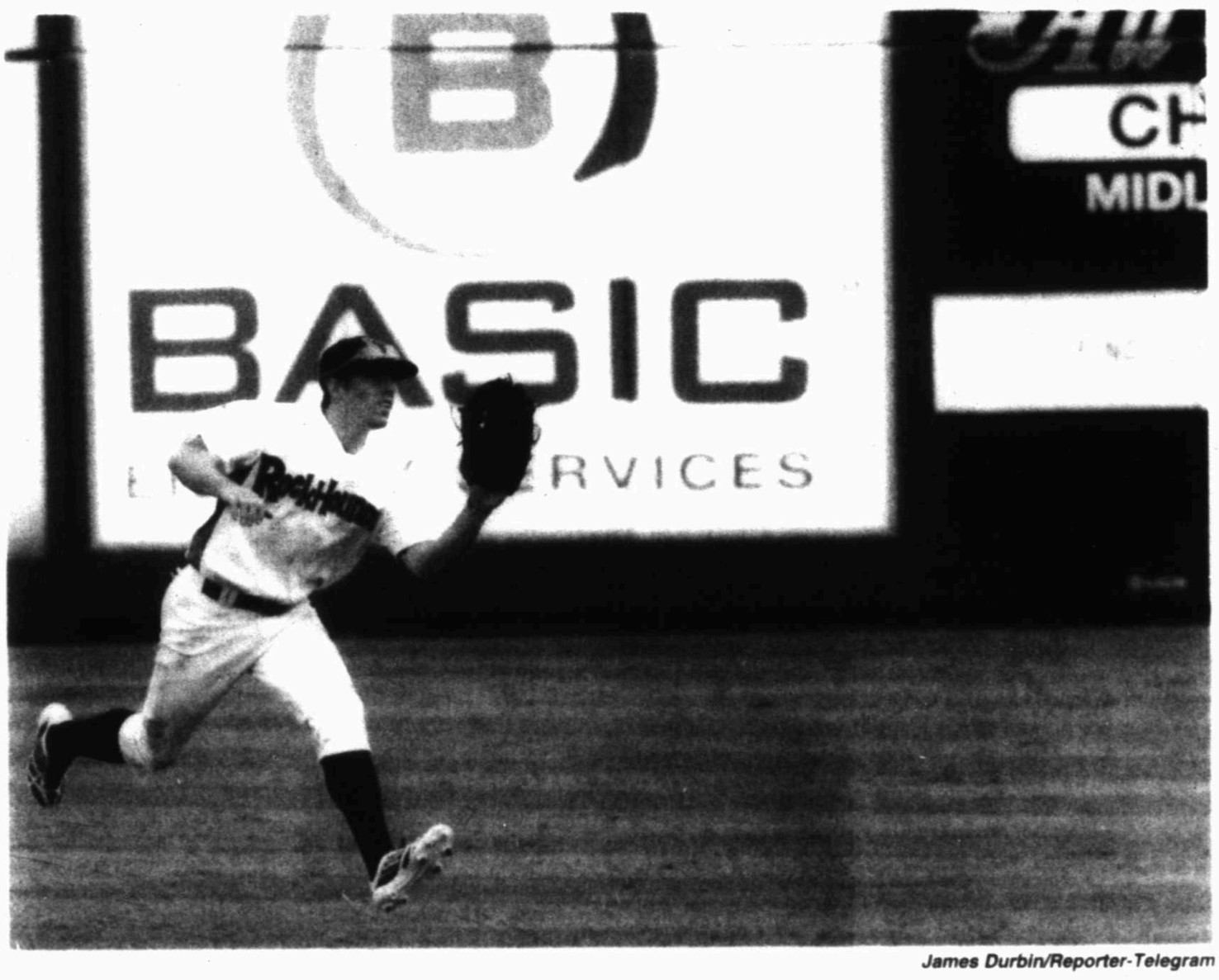

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

RockHounds' Billy Burns makes a catch for an out against the Frisco Rough Riders on Tuesday at Security Bank Ballpark

'Hounds split doubleheader against Frisco

By Oscar LeRoy
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RockHounds	7-3
RoughRiders	6-8

A big swing of the bat by Dusty Coleman helped the Midland RockHounds earn a doubleheader split against the Frisco RoughRiders Tuesday night at Security Bank Ballpark.

Coleman assisted the RockHounds in a come-from-behind 7-6 victory with a two-run home run in the sixth inning of the first game. The RoughRiders, however, continued to swing the bats well in the second game as Joey Gallo drove in three runs in an 8-3 victory in the nightcap.

With the split, the RockHounds (20-12) have now lost three out of their last four games, but they kept a 3-game lead over Frisco (17-15) in the Texas League South Division standings.

The RockHounds got off to a good start in the first game with four runs in the first inning against Frisco starter Jerad Eickhoff with the big hit coming on a two run double by Coleman (2-for 3).

But Eickhoff really settled down, and at one point, retired 11 straight batters.

Eickhoff settling down gave the RoughRiders a chance to take the lead thanks to a five-run fourth inning against Midland starter Drew Granier.

Frisco sent nine batters to the plate in the fourth with Gallo — one of the top prospects for the Texas Rangers — starting the rally with a two-run homer to right field. The homer was Gallo's 11th of the year in 35 games played. The RoughRiders added a run on a Granier throwing error, and then got two more off a double by Jake Skole for a 5-4 advantage.

Frisco made it 6-4 in the fifth with an RBI double by Trever Adams.

Eickhoff left the game with one on and one out in the sixth inning when Kent Matthes reached on a fielding error by shortstop Hanser Alberto. Coleman then greeted new pitcher Erik Hamren with a two run blast to center field to give the RockHounds the lead for good.

Jose Flores struck out to side in the top of the seventh for his fourth save of the season, while Ryan Doolittle (4-3) picked up the win thanks to shutout sixth.

The RockHounds got off to another good start in the second game when Matthes drove in two runs with a single in the first inning.

Please see 'HOUNDS/2C

TCU's Fields investigated for alleged assault

Associated Press

FORT WORTH — TCU suspended defensive end Devonte Fields on Tuesday pending the results of a police investigation into whether he punched a former girlfriend in the head and threatened her with a gun while shouting, "I should blast you!"

Officers said 20-year-old Haley Brown's right cheek was swollen and she had a cut under her eye when they arrived at a Fort Worth home early Sunday. Police said no charges have been filed and Fields, the Big 12's preseason defensive player of the year, has not been arrested.

Fields

An emailed statement from TCU says the school doesn't tolerate harassment or misconduct by a student and that the allegations against Fields will be go through an internal discipline process — which may result in disciplinary action from the university — while he is "separated" from the university.

The school said "separated" means he will be denied access to the school and its activities until police complete their investigation.

Brown, who declined to be taken to a hospital for medical treatment, told police she and Fields dated for two years and broke up June 1. Brown said she didn't want to press charges but officers told her a report and family violence packet must be completed.

Andre Johnson's holdout could cloud Texans camp

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

HOUSTON — As the Houston Texans prepare for the start of training camp on Saturday, their biggest question mark involves a player who probably won't be there when they take the field.

Disgruntled receiver Andre Johnson skipped offseason workouts and mandatory minicamp after wondering in May if Houston was "still the place for me."

A holdout by the face of the franchise and the team's longest-tenured player could cast a pall on the beginning of coach Bill O'Brien's first season.

O'Brien has tried to downplay the situation so far, but that tact will be much more difficult if Johnson's holdout stretches much longer.

Johnson joined the franchise in its second season and has said that playing on just three teams with winning records in 11 seasons "can become very frustrating."

The Texans were among the favorites to reach the Super Bowl entering last season after reaching the playoffs the previous two years.

But things quickly fell apart due in large part to poor play by quarterback Matt Schaub, coach Gary Kubiak was fired in December and they finished 2-14

Please see TEXANS/4C

Saints bring playoff expectations into 2014

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Sean Payton constantly searches for an edge, even if it means fiddling with a training camp formula that has worked rather well for him over the past half-decade.

Payton has coached his club to the playoffs during his past four seasons on the sideline (excluding 2012, when he served his one-season bounty ban).

All of those began with training camp at Saints headquarters in suburban New Orleans.

This week, camp opens more than 800 miles northeast of the Big Easy, at the posh Greenbrier Resort in mountainous White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia.

It marks the first time since 2008, Payton's third season as an NFL head coach, that the Saints have held camp away from home.

From 2006 to 2008, it was at Millsaps College in Jackson, Mississippi. While Payton viewed the campus setting as good for team bonding, it was still scorching hot. And unlike Saints headquarters, Millsaps had no air-conditioned, indoor field.

This year marks the first time the Saints have not only taken camp on the road, but done so at a latitude and altitude which, Payton says, "offers a tremendous opportunity to our team in a more moderate summer climate."

There could be another reason for getting players far from the comforts of their in-season homes. All six of their losses last season — five in the regular season and one in the playoffs — came on the road. So the club's performance outside the Superdome is among the areas Payton has targeted for improvement.

"We put up our road statistics for our players and we talked about the front of the schedule," Payton said, alluding to his club's first two regular season games at Atlanta and Cleveland. "Certainly, we want to play better than on the road a season ago."

The Saints will report to the Greenbrier on Thursday for conditioning tests and hold their first practice on Friday. They'll return to New Orleans for good on Aug. 14, the day before their first home preseason game against Tennessee.

Here are some of the top issues surrounding the Saints as training camp arrives:

CORNERBACK QUESTIONS: At 36, Champ Bailey is at a stage of his illustrious career when his age raises questions about his status heading into the season. The Saints are betting the 12-time Pro Bowl cornerback will find elite form again. If not, his competition for the starting job will include

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DAILYRUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

'HOUNDS WATCH

TUESDAY'S SCORES
Midland 7-3, Frisco 6-8

TODAY'S GAME
Frisco at Midland,
Security Bank Ballpark

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KCRS (550 AM)

RECORDS
Midland 20-11, Frisco 16-15

Tuesday	Today	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Midland 7-3, Frisco 6-8	Frisco at Midland	Midland at Corpus Christi	Midland at Corpus Christi	Midland at Corpus Christi

WHAT'S ON TV

AUTO RACING

NASCAR, Truck Series, practice for Mudsummer Classic, at New Weston, Ohio, 9 a.m., FS1

NASCAR, Truck Series, final practice for Mudsummer Classic, at New Weston, Ohio, 10:30 a.m., FS1

NASCAR, Truck Series, pole qualifying for Mudsummer Classic, at New Weston, Ohio, 4 p.m., FS1

NASCAR, Truck Series, pole qualifying for Mudsummer Classic, at New Weston, Ohio, 6 p.m., FS1

CYCLING

Tour de France, Stage 17, Saint Guadens to Saint Lary Soulan Pla d'Adet, France, 7 a.m, NBCSN

MLB

Regional coverage, Cleveland at Minnesota or Cincinnati at Milwaukee, noon, MLB

Kansas City at Chicago White Sox, 1 p.m., WGN

San Francisco at Philadelphia, 6 p.m., ESPN

Texas at New York, 6 p.m., FSSW

SOCCER

Exhibition, MLS/Premier League, Tottenham at Toronto 6 p.m., ESPN2

Exhibition, Premier League/Serie A, Liverpool vs. Roma, at Boston, 6 p.m., NBCSN

Exhibition, MLS/Premier League, Manchester City at Kansas City, 8 p.m., ESPN2

MLS, Chicago at San Jose, 9 p.m., NBCSN

Exhibition, MLS/Premier League, Los Angeles vs. Manchester United, at Pasadena, Calif., 10 p.m., FS1

LOCAL SPORTS

Multiple athletes from Midland High competed in the TAAF Region 10 meet this past weekend for the right to qualify for the Games of Texas, and several of the competitors came away with medals.

In the 16 and under age division, Ruben Guerra led the way winning the 800 meters, the 1600 meters and the 3200 meters qualifying for each event at the Games of Texas. Cade Michael placed second in the 1600 meters and third in the 3200 meters and also qualified.

Midland High also saw plenty of positive representation in the 18 and under age group. Bryce Hoppel won the 400 meters and finished second in the 1600 meters. Chad Schmidt scored a trio of bronze medals in the 800, 1600 and 3200 meter events. And Jaylen Stricklin earned second in the 800 meters and first in the long jump.

Each of these athletes will advance to the Games of Texas from July 31-Aug. 4 at College Station. All of these runners run unattached, without the backing of a select team, during the summer with the exception of Stricklin, who runs for Tall City Christian.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

CLEVELAND INDIANS — Recalled RHP Danny Salazar from Columbus (IL). Optioned RHP C.C. Lee to Columbus.

MINNESOTA TWINS — Optioned LHP Kris Johnson to Rochester (IL).

NEW YORK YANKEES — Acquired 3B Chase Headley and cash considerations from San Diego Padres for INF Yangervis Solarte and RHP Rafael De Paula.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Reinstated OF Josh Reddick from the 15-day DL.

SEATTLE MARINERS — Recalled RHP Erasmo Ramirez from Tacoma (PCL). Optioned 1B Justin Smoak to Tacoma.

TAMPA BAY RAYS — Placed RHP Joel Peralta on the 15-day DL, retroactive to July 13. Recalled LHP Jeff Beliveau from Durham (IL).

TEXAS RANGERS — Activated RHP Nick Martinez from the 15-day DL. Placed C Geovany Soto on the 15-day DL.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Selected the contracts of RHP Aaron Sanchez and RHP Esmil Rogers from Buffalo (IL). Recalled SS Ryan Goins from Buffalo. Optioned OF Darin Mastroianni and C Erik Kratz to Buffalo. Designated LHP Brad Mills for assignment.

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Placed OF Cody Ross on the 15-day DL. Recalled OF Alfredo Marte from Reno (PCL).

CHICAGO CUBS — Activated INF-OF Emilio Bonifacio from the 15-day DL. Recalled RHP Kyle Hendricks from Iowa (PCL). Designated INF Darwin Barney for assignment. Optioned LHP Zac Rosscup to Iowa.

CINCINNATI REDS — Placed RHP Logan Ondrusek on the 15-day DL, retroactive to July 13. Recalled RHP Curtis Partch from Louisville (IL).

COLORADO ROCKIES — Placed INF Troy Tulowitzki on the 15-day DL, retroactive to July 20. Recalled LHP Yohan Flande from Colorado Springs (PCL).

LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Reinstated RHP Josh Beckett from the 15-day DL. Optioned LHP Paco Rodriguez to Albuquerque (PCL).

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES — Placed OF John Mayberry Jr. on the 15-day DL. Recalled OF Darin Ruf from Lehigh Valley (IL).

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

CHICAGO BULLS — Signed F Doug McDermott and G Aaron Brooks.

GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS — Signed G-F Brandon Rush to a two-year contract.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

ATLANTA FALCONS — Signed LB Pat Angerer and WR Jeremy Ebert.

BUFFALO BILLS — Signed LB Xavius Boyd. Waived/injured LB Darrin Kitchens.

CINCINNATI BENGALS — Placed G Mike Pollak on the active/PUP list.

CLEVELAND BROWNS — Claimed OL Nick McDonald off waivers from San Diego.

DENVER BRONCOS — Designated TE Joel Dreessen as released/failed physical.

HOUSTON TEXANS — Waived FB Brad Smelley and DL Tim Jackson. Signed TE Chris Coyle.

NEW YORK GIANTS — Named David Tyree director of player development.

SAN DIEGO CHARGERS — Released LB Larry English. Signed LB Adrian Hamilton and C Khalil Wilkes. Agreed to terms with RB Danny Woodhead on a two-year contract extension.

ST. LOUIS RAMS — Released OT Abasi Samm. Waived Brandan Spencer and LBs Tavarius Wilson and Caleb McSurdy. Signed OT T.J. Dill, G D.J. Morrell and LBs Pat Schiller and Lawrence Wilson.

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS — Signed LB Jeremy Grable and OT J.B. Shugarts. Released CB D.J. Moore.

WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Signed TE Mike Caussin. Waived LS Kyle Nelson. Promoted Jeff Scott and Josh Washburn to pro scout. Named Matt Evans player personnel assistant and Brian Zaches administrative assistant.

Canadian Football League

SASKATCHEWAN ROUGHRIDERS — Signed RB Will Ford to the practice roster.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

ANAHEIM DUCKS — Signed D Sami Vatanen to a two-year contract.

DALLAS STARS — Agreed to terms with F Antoine Roussel on a four-year contract.

NEW YORK RANGERS — Agreed to terms with F Mats Zuccarello on a one-year contract.

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS — Fired assistant general manager Claude Loiselle and vice president of hockey operations Dave Poulin. Named Kyle Dubas assistant general manager. Signed F David Booth to a one-year contract.

COLLEGE

COLGATE — Named Andy Waeger swimming and diving coach.

FELICIAN — Named John Chang women's volleyball coach.

FORDHAM — Named Mary Alice Lumpkin-Jones assistant director for marketing and tickets.

GEORGIA TECH — Dismissed sophomore WR Anthony Autry, freshman DL Darius Commessing and sophomore DL Travon Henry for violating the school's conduct policy. Suspended sophomore DB Lynn Griffin for the first two games of the season for violating the school's conduct policy.

LONG BEACH STATE — Named Paul Reed women's assistant basketball coach.

MEMPHIS — Named Hayden Rerez women's tennis coach.

NEW MEXICO — Named Jeremy Anderson strength and conditioning coach for men's basketball.

RUTGERS — Announced the retirement of women's soccer coach Glenn Crooks. Named women's assistant soccer coach Mike O'Neill women's soccer coach and first assistant women's soccer coach Logan Ryan women's associate head soccer coach.

SAINT ROSE — Named Stephen Hogan men's soccer coach.

SC UPSTATE — Promoted assistant men's basketball coach Kyle Perry to associate head coach. Named Kenzie Roark softball pitching coach.

WAYLAND BAPTIST — Named Rick Cooper director of athletics.

DAILY PROMISE BROUGHT TO YOU BY

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Matthew 10:32-33

Whoever acknowledges me before men, I will also acknowledge him before my Father in heaven. But whoever disowns me before men, I will disown him before my Father in heaven.

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Comic Con night took place at the RockHounds game against the Frisco RoughRiders on Tuesday at Security Bank Ballpark.

'HOUNDS

From 1C

But just like they did the first game, the RoughRiders answered in a big way with three runs in the second inning and three more in the third — two coming on a single by Gallo — to take a 6-2 advantage against the RockHounds and Midland starter Murphy Smith (1-2).

After that first inning, the Midland bats were quiet as Frisco starter Marite Garcia and reliever Brodie Downs (1-0) combined to pitch three innings of scoreless ball.

The RockHounds finally answered in the fifth when Matthes drove in his third run of the game with a single to cut Frisco's lead to 7-3.

Midland now looks to salvage a four-game series split with the RoughRiders at 6:30 p.m. today.

'HOUND BITES: Midland is now 9-9 against Frisco this season. … The series features the two teams with the best overall records in the Texas League. Midland (58-44) has a 3-game edge over Frisco (57-44). … RockHounds RF Jeremy Barfield made a nice diving catch in right-center in the top of the first inning of the first game to save a run. …RockHounds CF Billy Burns stole his Texas League-leading 46th base of the season in the bottom of the first inning in the first game. …Burns then stole his 47th base in the sixth inning of the second game, tied with C.L. Penigar (1988) for fourth most in a single-season in franchise history.

TODAY'S PROBABLES: The RockHounds host the RoughRiders in the final game of a four-game series at 6:30 p.m. Midland is expected to start RHP Shawn Haviland (5-6, 3.79 ERA) while Frisco is expected to go with RHP Alex Gonzales (3-3, 2.55) on the mound.

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TL standings

Second Half
North Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arkansas	16	15	.516	—
Northwest Arkansas	15	16	.484	1
x-Tulsa	15	17	.4691	1/2
Springfield	12	20	.3754	1/2

South Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Midland	20	11	.645	—
x-Frisco	16	15	.516	4
Corpus Christi	16	16	.5004	1/2
San Antonio	16	16	.5004	1/2

x-clinched first half

Tuesday's Scores

Midland 7, Frisco 6, 1st game
San Antonio 11, Corpus Christi 1
Arkansas at Northwest Arkansas, 8:05 p.m.
Springfield 9, Tulsa 8
Frisco at Midland, 8:30 p.m., 2nd game

Today's Games

Frisco at Midland, 6:30 p.m.
Arkansas at Northwest Arkansas, 7:05 p.m.
Corpus Christi at San Antonio, 7:05 p.m.
Tulsa at Springfield, 7:10 p.m.

FIRST GAME
ROCKHOUNDS 7, ROUGHRIDERS 6

Frisco	ab	r	h	bi	Midland	ab	r	h	bi
Rodriguez 1b	4	0	1	0	Burns cf	4	2	2	0
Cantwell c	4	0	0	0	Crumbliss dh	3	1	0	0
Herrera 2b	3	2	2	0	Muncy 1b	2	1	1	1
Adams dh	4	0	1	1	Marte 3b	3	0	2	2
Gallo 3b	3	1	1	2	Barfield rf	2	1	0	0
Martinez rf	2	1	0	0	Matthes lf	3	1	0	0
Robinson rf	2	1	0	0	Coleman ss	3	1	2	4
Alberto ss	3	1	0	0	Nakajima 2b	3	0	0	0
Skole cf	3	0	2	2	Taylor c	2	0	0	0
Totals	26	6	7	5	Totals	25	7	7	7

Frisco ..... 000 51 00 —7
Midland ..... 400 01 2x —6

E — Alberto (1), Rodriguez (8), Grainer (3). LOB — Frisco 4, Midland 4. Herrera (8). 2B — Skole (14), Herrera (10), Adams (22), Coleman (20), Burns (20). HR — Gallo (11), Coleman (11). CS — Rodriguez (5), Marte (3).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Frisco						
Eickhoff	5.1	6	6	5	3	2
Hamren L, 0-1	0.2	1	1	1	1	0
Midland						
Grainer	5.0	7	6	5	2	5
Doolittle W, 4-3	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
Flores S, 4	1.0	0	0	0	0	3

WP — Eickhoff. HBP — by Grainer (Martinez).
T — 2:19. A — n/a

SECOND GAME
ROUGHRIDERS 8, ROCKHOUNDS 3

Frisco	ab	r	h	bi	Midland	ab	r	h	bi
Grayson rf	4	0	1	1	Burns cf	4	0	2	0
Adams 1b	4	0	0	0	Nakajima dh	4	0	1	0
Herrera 2b	3	2	1	0	Muncy 1b	4	1	1	0
Wise c	4	3	4	0	Marte 3b	1	2	0	0
Gallo dh	4	0	3	3	Barfield rf	4	0	2	0
Martinez rf	3	1	0	0	Matthes lf	4	0	2	3
Robinson 3b	3	1	1	0	Coleman ss	4	0	0	0
Alberto ss	3	1	2	2	Forsythe c	2	0	0	0
Skole cf	3	0	1	1	Crumbliss 2b	2	0	0	0
Totals	3	0	1	1	Totals	29	3	8	3

Frisco ..... 033 01 01 —8
Midland ..... 200 01 00 —3

E — Herrera (4). DP — Midland 1. LOB — Frisco 4, Midland 10. 2B — Robinson (14), Wise (5), Barfield (2). SB — Burns (47).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Frisco						
Garcia	3.0	4	2	2	2	3
Downs W, 1-0	1.0	0	0	0	1	0
Lotzkar	2.0	2	1	1	1	3
Kelsa	1.0	2	0	0	0	1
Midland						
Smith L, 1-2	4.0	8	6	6	1	2
Hooker	3.0	5	2	2	0	1

HBP — by Garcia (Marte), by Smith (Martinez). PB — Wise 2. Forsythe. WP — Hooker.
T — 2:37. A — 3,152.

STRONG

From 1C

threw for 2,315 yards and 12 touchdowns in eight games.

Green-Beckham was dismissed by Missouri in April after several off-field incidents, and this month got to Oklahoma, where Stoops and receivers coach Jay Norvell had personally recruited him out of high school. The Sooners have filed an appeal seeking for him to be able to play this season, a year after 59 catches and 12 touchdowns as a sophomore at Mizzou.

"Through extensive conversations with the people at Missouri and our people, it was something that we felt the person that he is, the potential that he has as a young man and as an individual, that we felt the opportunity to give him a second chance at our place could serve him well and be great for his future," Stoops said.

Red Raiders coach Kliff Kingsbury referred to "just team policy" for a decision blocking Mayfield, who wasn't on scholarship at Texas Tech, from being able to play immediately at Oklahoma without losing a season of eligibility.

Bill Snyder will turn 75 during the upcoming season, his 23rd as Kansas State's coach. Told by one reporter that there have been 48 coaches at other Big 12 schools since he was first hired at Kansas State in 1989, Snyder chuckled.

"There's a variety of different reasons. Sometimes people move on," Snyder said. "The age factor, I can't negotiate that. ... I'm as old as time, and that's not going to change."

Iowa State coach Paul Rhoads hired former Kansas coach and Oklahoma offensive coordinator Mark Mangino. Rhoads said Mangino has a proven record as a play caller and brings a tough mentality.

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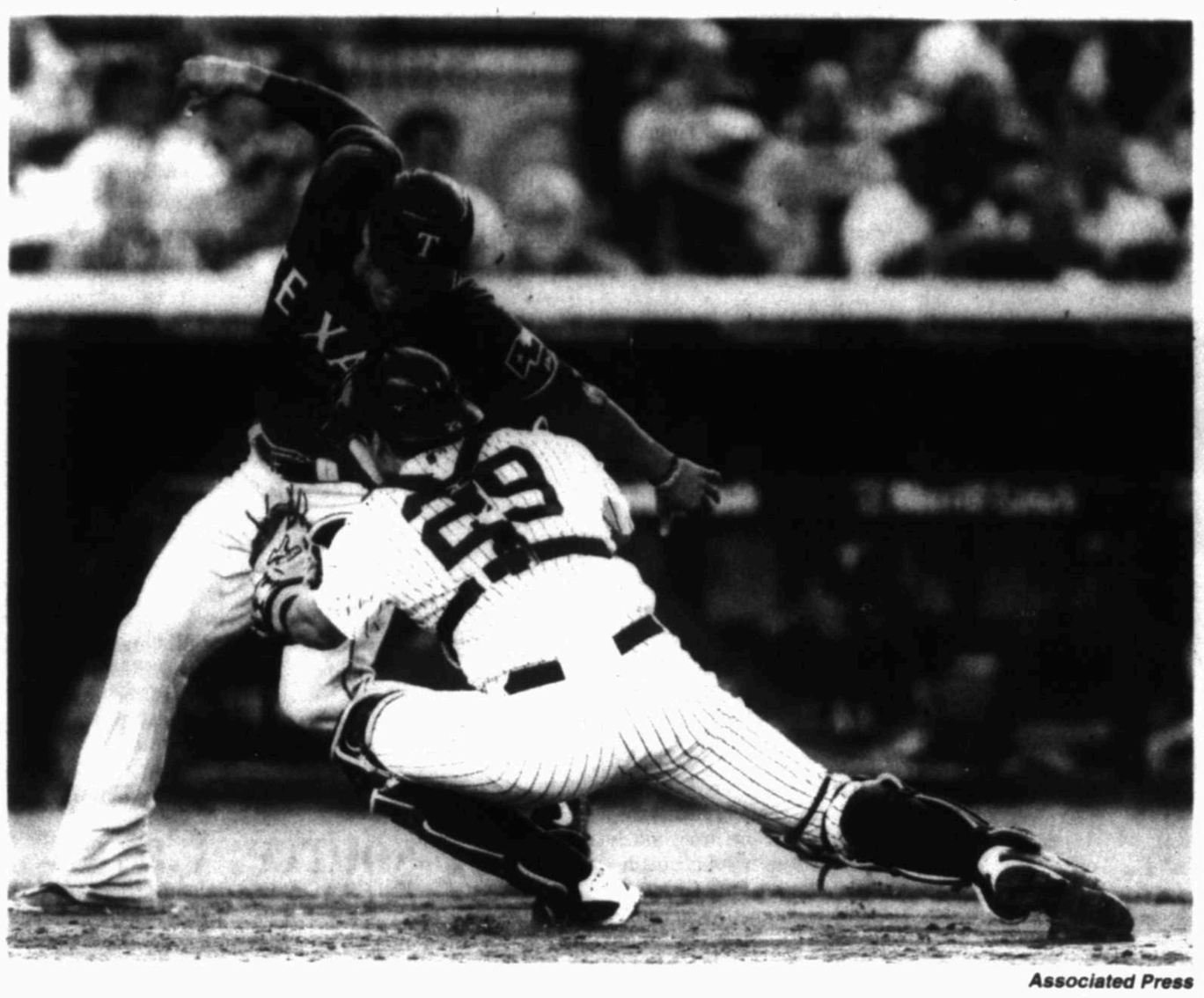

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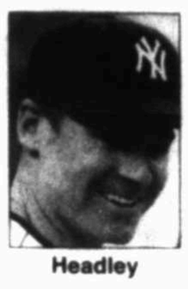
New York Yankees catcher Francisco Cervelli (29) tags Texas Rangers Robinson Chirinos out at the plate on Daniel Robinson's fifth-inning single at Yankee Stadium in New York on Tuesday. The Yankees won 2-1 in 14 innings.

Yankees acquire 3B Chase Headley from Padres

By Mike Fitzpatrick
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Trying to boost one of the weakest lineups in the American League, the New York Yankees acquired third baseman Chase Headley from the San Diego Padres on Tuesday for rookie infielder Yangervis Solarte and minor league pitcher Rafael De Paula.



Headley

Headley arrived at Yankee Stadium right around game time Tuesday night and was in uniform shaking hands with his new teammates in the dugout during the top of the second inning. Before the game, New York manager Joe Girardi said he hoped Headley would be available off the bench.

After that, he'll become the everyday starter at a spot that's been a question mark for the Yankees all year following the season-long suspension of Alex Rodriguez.

"I don't think we're getting a big thumper," general manager Brian Cashman said. "But I do think we're getting an upgrade and a professional at-bat."

The 30-year-old Headley, drafted by the Padres in 2005, can become a free agent after this season. The switch-hitter was batting .229 with seven homers and 32 RBIs but has a .339 average with six extra-base hits in 13 games since July 4. He was a Gold Glove and Silver Slugger winner two years ago, when he had a huge second half and hit .286 with 31 homers and an NL-leading 115 RBIs.

He moves from a cavernous ballpark in San Diego to a homer haven in the Bronx, and the Yankees think that can help him.

"You look at his last month, it's been really productive. He's swinging the bat pretty well," Girardi said. "We feel that he's in a pretty good place."

Cashman said he thinks an epidural injection that Headley had toward the end of June has a lot to do with his recent improvement. Headley had been playing through a herniated disk in his back.

"Once he had the epidural, it seems like it's had a huge impact," Cashman said. "He's a rental for the next two months."

As part of the deal, the Padres will pay $1 million of the $3,968,443 remaining on Headley's $10,525,000 salary this year.

"I've seen Chase grow up," San Diego manager Bud Black said in Chicago, where his team was preparing to play the Cubs. "To say farewell is a tough one. He's meant a lot to the organization."

With an injury-ravaged pitching staff missing four starters, the Yankees began the day 50-48 and four games behind first-place Baltimore in the AL East. They added Brandon McCarthy to the rotation this month, obtaining him in a trade with Arizona.

But it's the offense that's been a major problem — New York ranked 13th out of 15 AL teams in runs with 391.

"We just keep trying to find different ways to upgrade," Cashman said. "We're open to anything."

The punchless Padres (43-55) are selling off pieces and trying to build for the future even as they look for a new general manager after Josh Byrnes was fired June 22. In the interim, senior vice president of baseball operations Omar Minaya and assistant general managers A.J. Hinch and Fred Uhlman Jr. are handling GM duties.

Cashman said he spoke mostly with Hinch about the Headley deal, as well as Minaya.

"It was a move that we felt was needed to move this organization forward," Hinch said in Chicago. "We thought the return was right. For 64 games of Chase Headley, we knew that the time was coming for us to move in a different direction."

San Diego also traded All-Star closer Huston Street to the Angels on Friday in a six-player deal that netted four minor league prospects.

The 27-year-old Solarte was an extremely pleasant surprise early in the season as Rodriguez's replacement. The switch-hitter was batting .336 as of May 14 but has hit .180 since and was sent to Triple-A for a week this month.

"He really saved our bacon early this year. When we had a lot of other issues going on, he stepped up and for that we're thankful," Cashman said. "But he was a player that had to be in this situation for me to get Chase Headley back."

Solarte was scheduled to join the Padres during Tuesday night's game at Wrigley Field. Hinch said.

Black said the Padres might play Solarte at second base.

"In the last few days, as this has been getting closer, I've looked at the scouting reports. I've called around, checked around. This guy's a baseball player. This guy knows how to play," Black said. "We'll utilize him around the diamond. I like the fact that he's versatile."

The 23-year-old De Paula was 6-5 with a 4.15 ERA in 17 starts and three relief appearances this season for Class A Tampa. The right-hander was selected for the Futures Game last year.

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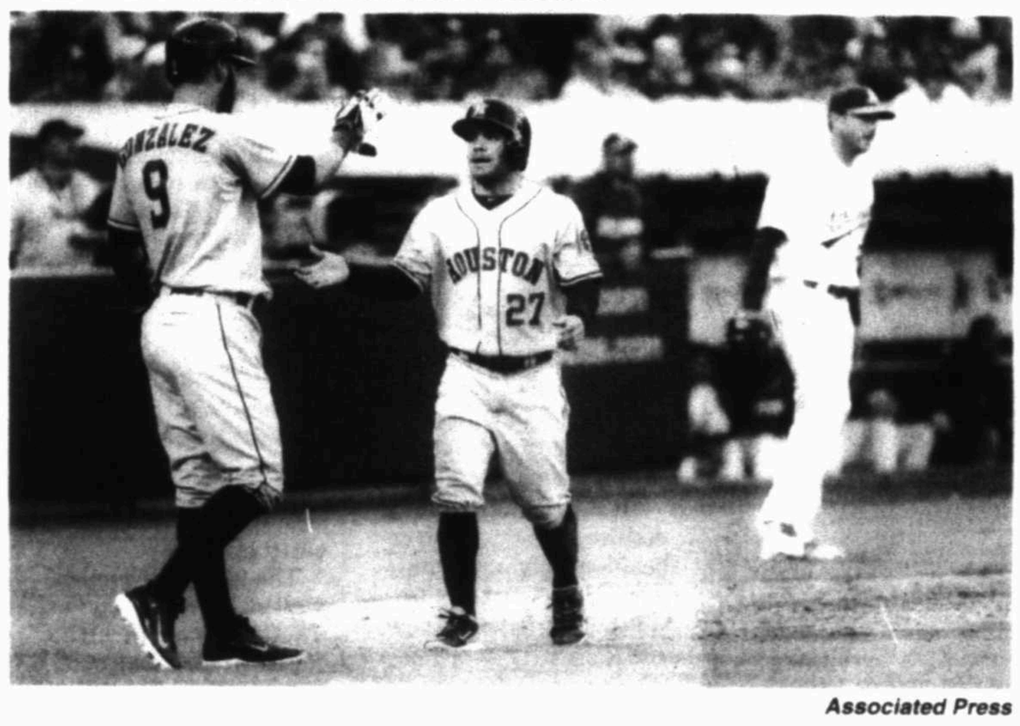

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The Houston Astros' Jose Altuve (27) celebrates with teammate Marwin Gonzalez (9) after they both scored on a single from Chris Carter during the third inning of a baseball game against the Oakland Athletics on Tuesday in Oakland, Calif.

American League

BLUE JAYS 7 RED SOX 3

TORONTO — J.A. Happ pitched six shutout innings for his first victory in three starts, Dioner Navarro and Jose Reyes homered and the Toronto Blue Jays beat the Boston Red Sox 7-3 on Tuesday night.

Reyes and Navarro both connected in the sixth inning as the Blue Jays rebounded from Monday's 14-1 defeat to snap Boston's winning streak at five games.

Reyes and Melky Cabrera both had three hits and two RBIs. Cabrera has 14 multi-hit games in his past 30.

David Ortiz hit a solo homer in the eighth, his third homer in two games and the 36th of his career at Rogers Centre, matching Alex Rodriguez for the most by a visiting player.

Happ (8-5) allowed seven hits in six innings, walked one and struck out four to win for the first time since beating the Chicago White Sox on June 26.

Dustin McGowan allowed Ortiz's homer in 1 2-3 innings and Aaron Loup needed just one pitch to retire pinch-hitter Daniel Nava for the final out of the eighth.

INDIANS 8 TWINS 2

MINNEAPOLIS — Carlos Santana homered among his season high-tying four hits and Danny Salazar won in his first start in more than two months as the Cleveland Indians beat the Minnesota Twins 8-2 Tuesday night.

Cleveland won for the fourth time in six games since the All-Star break. Minnesota has lost four of five.

Santana hit a no-doubt solo shot to right field in the fifth to put the Indians up 4-1. He also had two doubles and a bunt single to beat a defensive shift. Nick Swisher had his first three-hit game of the year for Cleveland.

Closer Cody Allen struck out pinch-hitter Chris Parmelee with a runner on third in a two-run game in the eighth inning before Cleveland scored four times in the ninth to negate a save opportunity when Carlos Carrasco pitched the ninth.

Minnesota's Brian Dozier had three hits, including his career-high 19th home run in the seventh inning.

ROYALS 7 WHITE SOX 1

CHICAGO — Mike Moustakas homered twice, Bruce Chen pitched five effective innings and the Kansas City Royals snapped a four-game losing streak with a 7-1 rout of the Chicago White Sox on Tuesday night.

Moustakas, who has 12 homers this season, went 3 for 5 with three RBIs.

The Royals entered the game with a major league-worst 55 homers and had managed a total of six runs during the losing streak.

Chen (2-2) allowed one run and five hits in five innings.

Adam Dunn went 2 for 4 with a solo homer for the White Sox, who had won three of four.

Chicago starter Scott Carroll (4-6) allowed five runs and 11 hits in five-plus innings.

National League

MARLINS 6 BRAVES 5

ATLANTA — Jacob Turner allowed two runs in his bid for a permanent return to Miami's rotation and the Marlins knocked Mike Minor out of the game early in their 6-5 win over the Atlanta Braves on Tuesday night.

Donovan Solano had a career-high four hits and also reached on a walk as Miami took its second straight win over Atlanta to open the four-game series. Christian Yelich had two hits and scored three runs.

Turner (3-6), making his first start since June 11, gave up four hits in five innings. He loaded the bases but allowed only one run in the first inning. The other run he gave up came on Justin Upton's third-inning homer.

Steve Cishek pitched around Chris Johnson's lead-off single in the ninth to earn his 23rd save.

CUBS 6 PADRES 0

CHICAGO — Anthony Rizzo hit two home runs and Kyle Hendricks pitched seven innings in his return from the minor leagues on Tuesday night, leading the Chicago Cubs to a 6-0 victory over the San Diego Padres that snapped their five-game losing streak.

Rizzo staked Hendricks to a 2-0 lead in the third inning with a solo homer. Four innings later, rookie Arismendy Alcantara and Rizzo hit back-to-back homers off Blaine Boyer for a 5-0 lead. Rizzo became the first National League player to reach 25 homers this season, his career high. He hit 23 homers in 160 games last season.

Emilio Bonifacio, Wellington Castillo and Justin Ruggiano had two hits apiece for the Cubs.

PIRATES 12 DODGERS 7

PITTSBURGH — Gregory Polanco broke out of a slump with a solo home run and a tiebreaking two-run single, lifting the Pittsburgh Pirates to a 12-7 victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers on Tuesday night.

Polanco, hitting just .133 in his previous 11 games, smacked a bases-loaded single with two outs in the sixth to put Pittsburgh in front for good.

Neil Walker went 2 for 4 with his 15th homer and three RBIs. Ike Davis finished with three hits, including his sixth home run.

Vance Worley (3-1) overcame some shaky defense behind him to win for the first time in nearly a month.

Adrian Gonzalez smacked his 15th long ball of the season and finished with three RBIs for the Dodgers. Paul Maholm (1-5) took the loss after replacing ineffective starter Josh Beckett, who struggled in his return from a hip injury.

Polanco took the majors by storm upon his highly anticipated arrival on June 10. He hit .299 over his first 24 games before cooling off considerably after July 4. Manager Clint Hurdle gave the 22-year-old the night off Monday hoping to hit the reset button.

BREWERS 4 REDS 3

MILWAUKEE — Jonathan Lucroy homered leading off the bottom of the ninth to give the Milwaukee Brewers a 4-3 victory over the Cincinnati Reds on Tuesday night.

It was Lucroy's second homer of the game and 11th of the season. It was his second career walkoff homer and both were against the Reds. His first was last season off closer Aroldis Chapman and this one was off Sam LeCure.

Francisco Rodriguez (4-3) pitched the ninth to earn the victory.

Cincinnati, which is 0-5 since the All-Star break, brought in LeCure (1-2) to pitch the ninth. His outing lasted just three pitches as Lucroy hit a 1-1 offering for a line drive homer inside the left field foul pole.

Giants' O-line a jumble as camp begins

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Nothing is more important to the New York Giants' championship chances than protecting Eli Manning.

Nothing is more jumbled in the Giants' lineup as training camp opens than the offensive line.

Not the best formula for success. Of course, it's still only July.

"The Giants have a proud tradition on the offensive line," second-year right tackle Justin Pugh said Tuesday. "There will always be questions and the only way to stop those questions is to go out and play and win and change people's opinions."

Until they kick it off in the Hall of Fame game on Aug. 3 against Buffalo, the Giants won't have an opportunity to truly test their blockers. The next week of practices aren't likely to determine a whole lot.

At some point, though, coach Tom Coughlin and his staff must sort out who will be the starters and backups, and at which positions?

With veteran guard Chris Snee, a four-time Pro Bowler, having retired on Monday, and versatile David Diehl and Kevin Boothe also gone, the line will have a new look regardless of who is where. The Giants brought in six veteran linemen, several others with a little experience, and drafted center Weston Richburg of Colorado State in the second round.

They are considering Brandon Mosley, a 2012 fourth-round pick, for Snee's spot — Mosley left practice early Tuesday with what Coughlin referred to as something heat-related. Richburg worked at both center and guard in the first practice session of camp.

MLB STANDINGS, BOXES AND LINESCORES

STANDINGS

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	54	44	.551	—
Toronto	52	49	.515	3½
New York	50	48	.510	4
Tampa Bay	49	53	.475	7½
Boston	47	53	.470	8

Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	56	41	.573	—
Cleveland	51	49	.510	6
Kansas City	49	50	.495	7½
Chicago	49	53	.475	9½
Minnesota	45	54	.455	11½

West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	61	37	.622	—
Los Angeles	59	39	.602	2
Seattle	53	45	.535	8½
Houston	41	58	.414	20½
Texas	40	59	.404	21½

Tuesday's Scores

New York 2, Texas 1
Toronto 7, Boston 3
Cleveland 8, Minnesota 2
Kansas City 7, Chicago 1
Tampa Bay 7, St. Louis 2
Detroit at Arizona, late
Baltimore at L.A. Angels, late
Houston at Oakland, late
N.Y. Mets at Seattle, late

Today's Games

Cleveland (Bauer 4-6) at Minnesota (Gibson 9-8), 12:10 p.m.
Kansas City (Shields 9-5) at Chicago White Sox (Quintana 5-7), 1:10 p.m.
Detroit (A.Sanchez 6-4) at Arizona (Cahill 1-6), 2:40 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (B.Colon 9-8) at Seattle (Undecided), 2:40 p.m.
Texas (Darvish 9-5) at N.Y. Yankees (Phelps 4-4), 6:05 p.m.
Boston (Buchholz 5-6) at Toronto (Dickey 7-10), 6:07 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Cobb 5-6) at St. Louis (Lynn 11-6), 6:15 p.m.
Baltimore (Tillman 7-5) at L.A. Angels (Weaver 10-6), 9:05 p.m.
Houston (Peacock 3-6) at Oakland (J.Chavez 7-6), 9:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	54	43	.557	—
Atlanta	54	46	.540	1½
Miami	47	52	.475	8
New York	46	53	.465	9
Philadelphia	43	56	.434	12

Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	56	45	.554	—
St. Louis	54	46	.540	1½
Pittsburgh	53	47	.530	2½
Cincinnati	51	49	.510	4½
Chicago	41	57	.418	13½

West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	55	44	.556	—
Los Angeles	56	46	.549	½
San Diego	43	58	.434	12
Arizona	43	57	.430	12½
Colorado	40	59	.404	15

Tuesday's Scores

Pittsburgh 12, L.A. Dodgers 7
San Francisco at Philadelphia, late
Miami 6, Atlanta 5
Chicago Cubs 6, San Diego 0
Milwaukee 4, Cincinnati 3
Tampa Bay 7, St. Louis 2
Washington at Colorado, late
Detroit at Arizona, late
N.Y. Mets at Seattle, late

Today's Games

Cincinnati (Leake 7-8) at Milwaukee (Lohse 10-6), 1:10 p.m.
Washington (Strasburg 7-7) at Colorado (J.De La Rosa 10-8), 2:10 p.m.
Detroit (A.Sanchez 6-4) at Arizona (Cahill 1-6), 2:40 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (B.Colon 9-8) at Seattle (Undecided), 2:40 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Haren 8-7) at Pittsburgh (Liriano 1-7), 6:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Bumgarner 11-7) at Philadelphia (A.Burnett 8-9), 6:05 p.m.
Miami (Eovaldi 5-5) at Atlanta (E.Santana 8-6), 6:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Cobb 5-6) at St. Louis (Lynn 11-6), 6:15 p.m.
San Diego (Kennedy 7-9) at Chicago Cubs (Wada 0-0), 7:05 p.m.

TUESDAY'S LINESCORES

AMERICAN LEAGUE

BLUE JAYS 7, RED SOX 3

Boston	000	000	012	—3	11	0
Toronto	001	003	12x	—7	13	0

Peavy, Badenhop (7), Doubront (8) and D.Ross; Happ, McGowan (7), Loup (8), Janssen (9), Cecil (9) and D.Navarro. W—Happ 8-5. L—Peavy 1-9. Sv—Cecil (4). HRs—Boston, D.Ortiz (23), Drew (4). Toronto, Reyes (8), D.Navarro (7).

INDIANS 8, TWINS 2

Cleveland	030	010	004	—8	11	0
Minnesota	000	100	100	—2	9	0

Salazar, Crockett (6), Atchison (7), Rzepczynski (8), Allen (8), Carrasco (9) and Y.Gomes; Pino, Duensing (7), Guerrier (8) and K.Suzuki. W—Salazar 2-4. L—Pino 1-3. HRs—Cleveland, C.Santana (15). Minnesota, Dozier (19).

ROYALS 7, WHITE SOX 1

Kansas City	010	004	020	—7	14	0
Chicago	000	100	000	—1	8	2

B.Chen, K.Herrera (8), W.Davis (9), G.Holland (9) and S.Perez; Carroll, Guerra (6), Thompson (7), Burkamp (7), D.Webb (8) and Nieto. W—B.Chen 2-2. L—Carroll 4-6. HRs—Kansas City, Moustakas 2 (12). Chicago, A.Dunn (15).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

MARLINS 6, BRAVES 5

Miami	103	200	000	—6	12	0
Atlanta	101	000	030	—5	7	1

Ja.Turner, Hatcher (6), M.Dunn (8), Morris (8), Cishek (9) and Mathis; Minor, Hale (4), D.Carpenter (7), Varvaro (9) and Gattis. W—Ja.Turner 3-6. L—Minor 3-6. Sv—Cishek (23). HRs—Atlanta, J.Upton (18).

CUBS 6, PADRES 0

San Diego	000	000	000	—0	5	0
Chicago	101	010	30x	—6	11	1

Stults, Thayer (6), Boyer (7), Stauffer (8) and Grandal; Hendricks, Strop (8), W.Wright (9) and Castillo. W—Hendricks 1-0. L—Stults 3-12. HRs—Chicago, Rizzo 2 (25), Alcantara (2).

PIRATES 12, DODGERS 7

Los Angeles	002	002	210	—7	9	0
Pittsburgh	022	004	04x	—12	12	2

Beckett, Maholm (4), J.Wright (6), C.Perez (8), League (8) and A.Ellis; Worley, Ju.Wilson (7), J.Hughes (7), Watson (8), Frieri (9) and R.Martin. W—Worley 3-1. L—Maholm 1-5. HRs—Los Angeles, Ad.Gonzalez (15), Van Slyke (9). Pittsburgh, N.Walker (15), I.Davis (6), G.Polanco (4).

BREWERS 4, REDS 3

Cincinnati	000	100	200	—3	5	0
Milwaukee	200	001	001	—4	6	0

Bailey, Ju.Diaz (7), Broxton (8), LeCure (9) and B.Pena; J.Nelson, Kintzler (7), Duke (8), Fr.Rodriguez (9) and Lucroy. W—Fr.Rodriguez 4-3. L—LeCure 1-2. HRs—Milwaukee, Braun (13), Ar.Ramirez (12), Lucroy 2 (11).

INTERLEAGUE

RAYS 7, CARDINALS 2

Tampa Bay	010	000	001	—7	7	0
St. Louis	100	001	000	—2	7	1

Odorizzi, Balfour (6), Boxberger (8), Yates (9) and J.Molina; Wainwright, Maness (5), Greenwood (6), Motte (8) and T.Cruz. W—Odorizzi 6-8. L—Wainwright 12-5. HRs—Tampa Bay, Longoria (12). St. Louis, M.Carpenter (5), Holliday (8).

TEXANS

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to tie the worst record in franchise history.

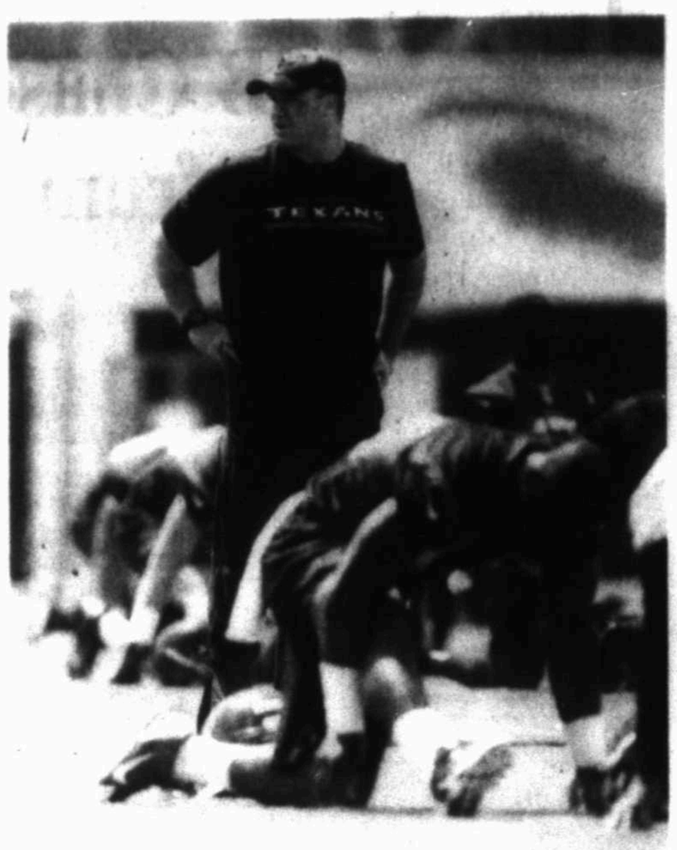
The 33-year-old Johnson, whose 1,407 yards receiving in 2013 ranked second in the AFC, is unhappy at the prospect of enduring another rebuilding project after seeing the moves the Texans made in the offseason.

If they can't get him back on the field it will leave a big hole in O'Brien's new offense and put much more pressure on last year's first-round pick DeAndre Hopkins.

Here are some things to know about the Texans as camp begins.

CLOWNEY'S HEALTH: Jadeveon Clowney, the top overall pick in this year's draft, may not be ready to practice on the first day of training camp after having sports hernia surgery in June.

O'Brien said that he expected Clowney to be ready for training camp when he disclosed the procedure on June 13. But the former South Carolina standout told reporters recently that he isn't sure if he'll be cleared to practice by Day 1. Training camp will be important for the former defensive end who is making the transition to outside linebacker in defensive coordinator Romeo Crennel's system.



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Houston Texans head coach Bill O'Brien walks through practice during NFL football minicamp in Houston on June 17.

O'BRIEN'S TEAM: O'Brien returns to the NFL for his first head coaching job in the league after spending the past two seasons coaching Penn State. He took over the Nittany Lions in the wake of the Jerry Sandusky child sex abuse scandal and led the team to winning records in both 2012 and 2013 before being hired in Houston. He comes to the Texans with a reputation as a quarterback guru after spending three seasons working as Tom Brady's position coach with the Patriots.

FITZPATRICK TAKES OVER: Houston traded Schaub to Oakland in the offseason and signed veteran free agent quarterback Ryan Fitzpatrick, who was selected as the starter during minicamp by O'Brien. Fitzpatrick started nine games for the Titans last season after Jake Locker was injured, but there are questions about whether he's the answer to Houston's quarterback woes.

"He does a good job of controlling the offense and ... getting together with other groups and trying to let them see everything through the quarterback's eyes," quarterbacks coach George Godsey said. "I think he's done a good job of trying to keep that steady."

They also have Case Keenum, who started eight games last season after Schaub was benched, and drafted Tom Savage in the fourth round of this year's draft.

CRENNEL'S RETURN: Crennel returns to coaching for the first time since he was fired as coach of the Kansas City Chiefs following the 2012 season. He inherits a defense that features 2012 Defensive Player of the Year J.J. Watt and should get a boost with the return of middle linebacker Brian Cushing, who suffered a second straight season-ending knee injury in Houston's seventh game last year.

Crennel's excited about coaching again and said at age 67 the most important factor was the people he'd be working with.

SAINTS

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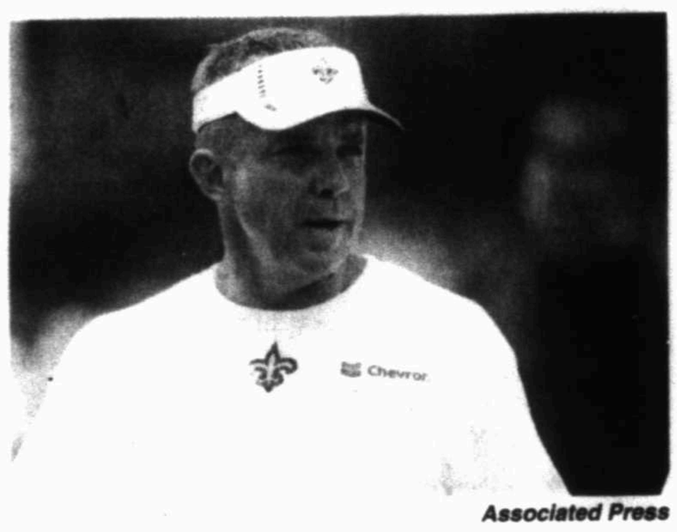
former first-round pick Patrick Robinson, who missed most of last season with torn knee ligaments, and third-year pro Corey White, a 2012 fifth-rounder who has shown promise in spurts.

RYAN'S ENCORE: Last season, Rob Ryan joined the Saints as defensive coordinator and orchestrated a dramatic turnaround of a unit that ranked last in the NFL in 2012. The Saints finished 2013 ranked fourth in total defense. Nearly all of the Saints most productive defensive players from last season are back. Meanwhile, the return of injured outside linebacker Victor Butler and the addition in free agent safety Jairus Byrd have only elevated expectations.

"We have some really good football players, and that's everywhere on our defense," Ryan said. "We've just got to find spots for them and work them in and play them."

OFFENSIVE LINE: The Saints had a tough time run-blocking last season and gave up more sacks (37) than usual. One difference in this year's unit involves the return of center Jonathan Goodwin, who spent the past three seasons with San Francisco. Pro Bowl guards Jahri Evans and Ben Grubbs also return, along with veteran right tackle Zach Strief. Second-year pro Terron Armstead is expected to start at left tackle after taking over at that spot late in his rookie season.



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New Orleans Saints head coach Sean Payton walks off the field during NFL football minicamp at the team's training facility in Metairie, La., on June 12. Payton always searches for an edge, even if it means fiddling with a training camp formula that has worked well. After holding camp for five years at team headquarters in suburban New Orleans, the Saints are headed to the mountains of West Virginia.

RECEIVING GROUP: While Marques Colston is expected to remain New Orleans' No. 1 receiver, Lance Moore's departure in free agency and Robert Meachem's diminished production in recent seasons mean several players have a chance to take over the second and third receiver spots. Top candidates include rookie first-round draft pick Brandin Cooks, second-year pro Kenny Stills, third-year pro Nick Toon and fourth-year pro Joseph Morgan. The Saints also hope 6-foot-6 Brandon Coleman, an undrafted rookie from Rutgers, develops into a strong player.

"It's extremely competitive with the receiver position right now with a lot of guys fighting for spots," quarterback Drew Brees said.

GRAHAM'S RETURN: A contract holdout by tight end Jimmy Graham wasn't resolved until he agreed to a four-year, $40 million deal this month. During the past three regular seasons combined, he has 270 catches for 3,507 yards and 36 touchdowns. The new contract means more pressure to produce, even as defenses refine their plans to stop him.

Sam excited about next phase of career

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — Now it starts to get intense for Michael Sam and the rest of the St. Louis Rams rookies.

The first openly gay player drafted in the NFL is enthusiastic about the challenge. Twice on Tuesday, he mentioned how much fun he was having.

Sam said he hopes the attention is less about his sexual orientation, but added his focus has to be on making the team. He said he's in the best shape of his life, dropping 13 pounds in the month since the last OTA workout.

A little more than two dozen newcomers participated indoors. Sam thought it felt much like another OTA, but noted no one had pads on yet.

On Day 1 his biggest concern was mastering nuances of playing right end. He was the SEC co-defensive player of the year at Missouri rushing from the left side.

AP source: Cavs to sign Andrew Wiggins to contract

Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Andrew Wiggins will sign his rookie contract with the Cavaliers. It's still not clear if he'll play for them.

A person familiar with the negotiations says the Cavs will sign the No. 1 overall pick to his deal, an agreement that would prevent any potential trade involving the small forward from being completed for 30 days.

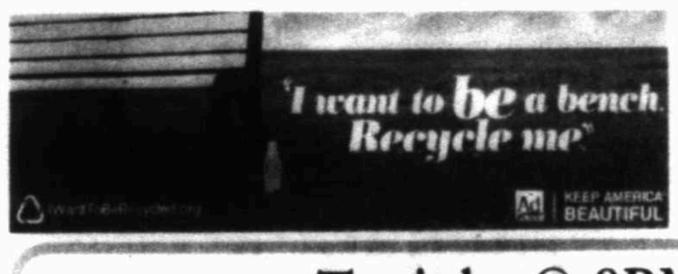
Wiggins has been linked to a possible trade with Minnesota for All-Star forward Kevin Love. The person familiar with the talks said Wiggins will sign with Cleveland as early as today.

The Cavs and Timberwolves have had ongoing discussions about a trade for Love since before Cleveland selected Wiggins first in May. The Timberwolves have always insisted that Wiggins be involved in any package, a stipulation the Cavaliers have resisted.

Last week, two people familiar with the discussions said the Cavs were still not willing to include Wiggins in a deal. It's not yet known if the Cavs have softened their stance on Wiggins, who played well during the team's summer league in Las Vegas.

The Cavs have considered acquiring Love and teaming him with LeBron James, who recently announced he was returning to Cleveland and signed a two-year, $42.1 million deal with the team. With Love, James and All-Star point guard Kyrie Irving, Cleveland would have a "Big 3" comparable to what Miami had in James and All-Stars Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh.

Signing Wiggins to a contract wouldn't necessarily prevent a trade from eventually happening. Under league rules, Wiggins cannot be officially traded for 30 days after he signs.



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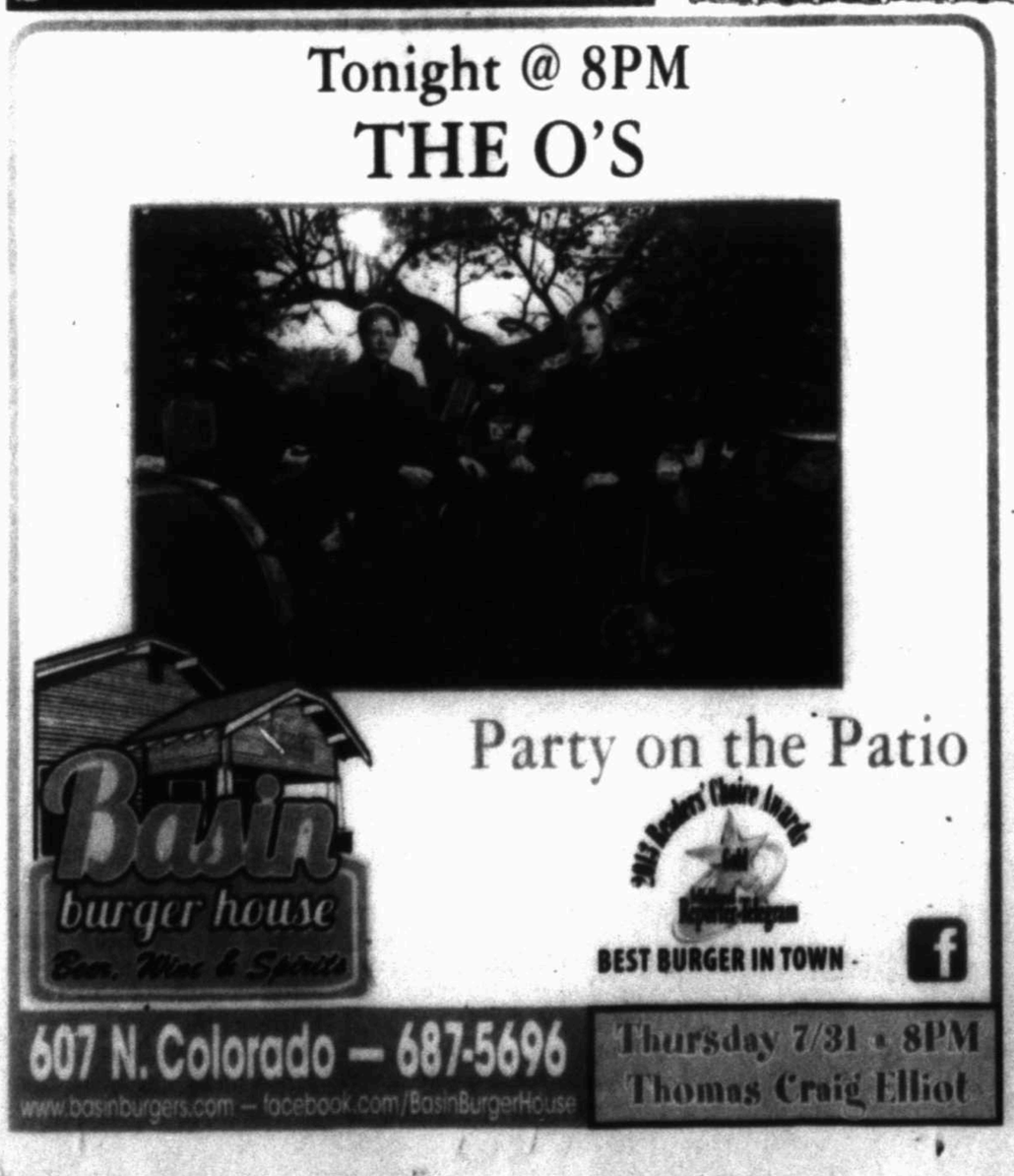

Rogers wins 16th stage of Tour

By Jamey Keaten
Associated Press

BAGNERES-DE-LUCHON, France — Riding in his 10th Tour de France, three-time world champion Michael Rogers of Australia finally got his first stage victory in cycling's greatest race on Tuesday by leading a breakaway group to a downhill finish as the pack entered the Pyrenees.

Italy's Vincenzo Nibali, finishing about 8 1/2 minutes back, reined in his top challengers and retained the yellow jersey after Stage 16, the longest stage of this year's race and the first of three days in the mountains on France's border with Spain.

Behind the Italian, the contest for podium places was shaken up: Thibaut Pinot of France rose to third in the standings, while compatriot Romain Bardet dropped to fifth. Tejay van Garderen of the United States lost more than 3 1/2 minutes, slipping from fifth to sixth and seeing his podium hopes dealt a serious blow.

Rogers took a bow as he crossed the line alone after the 237.5-kilometer (147-mile) leg from Carcassonne to Bagneres-de-Luchon, which featured a tough climb up the mountain pass of Port de Bales.

"Every cyclist's dream is to win a stage at the Tour de France," said Rogers, who finished nine seconds ahead of France's Thomas Voeckler — who had won two previous Tour stages at Bagneres-de-Luchon in 2010 and 2012. "I can't describe the joy I felt in the last 500 meters ... I hope I don't have to wait another 10 years to experience it again."

Associated Press

Stage winner Australia's Michael Rogers celebrates on the podium of the 16th stage of the Tour de France cycling race over 147.6 miles with start in Carcassonne and finish in Bagneres-de-Luchon, France, on Tuesday.

Rogers came close not to riding on this Tour for the Tinkoff-Saxo Bank team.

In a ruling announced in April, the International Cycling Union accepted that meat Rogers ate in China last year probably caused his positive doping test at the Japan Cup shortly afterward. Rogers, a crucial teammate of two-time Tour champion Alberto Contador, convinced the UCI that he hadn't intended to cheat, and said the episode was "a very difficult time" for his family.

Following the UCI ruling, Rogers said he came back with "a different outlook on life."

"It was certainly a lesson in life for me," he added. "Sometimes you need a lesson in life to see the silver lining in the cloud."

TOUR DE FRANCE RESULTS

BAGNERES-DE-LUCHON, France — Results Tuesday from the 237-kilometer (147-mile) Stage 16 from Carcassonne to Bagneres-de-Luchon of the Tour de France:

1. Michael Rogers, Australia, Tinkoff-Saxo, 6 hours, 7 minutes, 10 seconds.
2. Thomas Voeckler, France, Team Europcar, 6:7:19 behind.
3. Vasili Kiryienka, Belarus, Team Sky, 6:7:19
4. Jose Serpa, Colombia, Lampre-Merida, 6:7:19
5. Cyril Gautier, France, Team Europcar, 6:7:19
6. Greg Van Avermaet, Belgium, BMC Racing Team, 6:7:23
7. Michal Kwiatkowski, Poland, Omega Pharma - Quick Step Cycling Team, 6:7:46
8. Matteo Montaguti, Italy, Ag2r La Mondiale, 6:8:00
9. Tom Jelte Slagter, Netherlands, Garmin-Sharp, 6:9:21
10. Tony Gallopin, France, Lotto-Belisol, 6:9:21
11. Jan Bakelants, Belgium, Omega Pharma - Quick Step Cyling Team, 6:10:43
12. Florian Vachon, France, Bretagne-Seche Environment, 6:10:55
13. Anthony Delaplace, France, Bretagne-Seche Environment, 6:11:57
14. Kevin Reza, France, Team Europcar, 6:11:57
15. Bernhard Eisel, Austria, Team Sky, 6:15:24
16. Jeremy Roy, France, FDJ.fr, 6:15:42
17. Thibaut Pinot, France, FDJ.fr, 6:15:42
18. Alejandro Valverde Belmonte, Spain, Movistar Team, 6:15:42
19. Jean-Christophe Peraud, France, Ag2r La Mondiale, 6:15:42
20. Vincenzo Nibali, Italy, Astana Pro Team, 6:15:42
21. Leopold Konig, Czech Republic, Team NetApp-Endura, 6:15:42
22. Jens Keukeleire, Belgium, Orica GreenEDGE, 6:15:45
23. Roger Kluge, Germany, IAM Cycling, 6:16:17
24. John Gadret, France, Movistar Team, 6:16:22
25. Jon Izaguirre Insausti, Spain, Movistar Team, 6:16:22
26. Laurens Ten Dam, Netherlands, Belkin-Pro Cycling Team, 6:16:53
27. Arnold Jeannesson, France, FDJ.fr, 6:16:53
28. Haimar Zubeldia Agirre, Spain, Trek Factory Racing, 6:17:10
29. Samuel Dumoulin, France, Ag2r La Mondiale, 6:17:32
30. Romain Bardet, France, Ag2r La Mondiale, 6:17:32
31. Pierre Rolland, France, Team Europcar, 6:18:03
32. Jurgen Van Den Broeck, Belgium, Lotto-Belisol, 6:18:42
33. Bauke Mollema, Netherlands, Belkin-Pro Cycling Team, 6:18:42
34. Frank Schleck, Luxembourg, Trek Factory Racing, 6:18:42
35. Amael Moinard, France, BMC Racing Team, 6:19:18
36. Peter Velits, Slovakia, BMC Racing Team, 6:19:18
37. Tejay Van Garderen, United States, BMC Racing Team, 6:19:18
38. Christopher Horner, United States, Lampre-Merida, 6:19:18
39. Geraint Thomas, Wales, Team Sky, 6:19:18
40. Luis Angel Mate Mardones, Spain, Cofidis, Solutions Credits, 6:19:18
41. Christophe Riblon, France, Ag2r La Mondiale, 6:19:18
42. Yury Trofimov, Russia, Katusha Team, 6:19:18
43. Tanel Kangert, Estonia, Astana Pro Team, 6:19:18
44. Ben Gastauer, Luxembourg, Ag2r La Mondiale, 6:19:18
45. Steven Kruijswijk, Netherlands, Belkin-Pro Cycling Team, 6:19:18
46. Bartosz Huzarski, Poland, Team NetApp-Endura, 6:19:18
47. Peter Stetina, United States, BMC Racing Team, 6:19:18
48. Sylvain Chavanel, France, IAM Cyling, 6:20:50
49. Brice Feillu, France, Bretagne-Seche Environment, 6:21:30
50. Jerome Pineau, France, IAM Cyling, 6:21:30
51. Michael Albasini, Switzerland, Orica GreenEDGE, 6:21:47
52. Benat Intxausti, Spain, Movistar Team, 6:22:02
53. Yukiya Arashiro, Japan, Team Europcar, 6:23:31
54. Jan Barta, Czech Republic, Team NetApp-Endura, 6:23:31
55. Tom Dumoulin, Netherlands, Team Giant-Shimano, 6:23:31
56. Florian Guillou, France, Bretagne-Seche Environment, 6:23:31
57. Richie Porte, Australia, Team Sky, 6:23:31
58. Sebastien Reichenbach, Switzerland, IAM Cyling, 6:23:31
59. Marcel Wyss, Switzerland, IAM Cyling, 6:23:31
60. Nicolas Roche, Ireland, Tinkoff-Saxo, 6:23:31
61. Jose Joaquin Rojas Gil, Spain, Movistar Team, 6:27:27
62. Giovanni Visconti, Italy, Movistar Team, 6:27:27
63. Jens Voigt, Germany, Trek Factory Racing, 6:27:27
64. David Lopez Garcia, Spain, Team Sky, 6:27:27
65. Bram Tankink, Netherlands, Belkin-Pro Cycling Team, 6:27:27
66. Mikel Iturriaga Arranburu, Spain, Trek Factory Racing, 6:27:27
67. Mikel Nieve Iturralde, Spain, Team Sky, 6:27:27
68. Joaquim Rodriguez, Spain, Katusha Team, 6:27:27
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76. Koen De Kort, Netherlands, Team Giant-Shimano, 6:27:54
77. Michael Schar, Switzerland, BMC Racing Team, 6:27:54
78. Nelson Oliveira, Portugal, Lampre-Merida, 6:27:54
79. Gregory Rast, Switzerland, Trek Factory Racing, 6:27:54
80. Tiago Machado, Portugal, Team NetApp-Endura, 6:27:54
81. Kristijan Durasek, Croatia, Lampre-Merida, 6:27:54
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91. Matthew Busche, United States, Trek Factory Racing, 6:27:54
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New ACC settles into era of stability

Associated Press

GREENSBORO, N.C., — Welcome to the new Atlantic Coast Conference.

It's where a founding member is out, a fast-rising program is in, Notre Dame is there, too — sort of — and nobody else is leaving.

Where a one-time punchline of a conference now boasts the Heisman Trophy winner, the reigning national champion and a handful of other individual award winners.

And where stability finally has arrived — with its status as a power conference secure entering the College Football Playoff era — leaving its members optimistic about its future.

"I think everybody is where they want to be," Commissioner John Swofford said. "That's real important."

So, here comes ambitious Louisville into its fourth conference since 2004. There goes Maryland, off to the Big Ten.

And Notre Dame is at least dipping its toe into the league, starting a scheduling arrangement this year in which it will play a handful of ACC teams every season while keeping its prized football independence.

Notre Dame will play host to North Carolina and Louisville, travel to Florida State and take on Syracuse at MetLife Stadium in New Jersey.

The Fighting Irish joined in all sports except football and hockey last year, with Pittsburgh and Syracuse also coming on.

In the board room, Swofford said the new schools have "meshed so comfortably with our league, and that's a real credit to the individuals around the table. It feels like we've been together a lot longer than we have, and that's really a good thing."

These 15 schools are bonded at least through 2026-27 by a grant-of-rights agreement that was announced last year and pumped the brakes on realignment.

So, what appears to be the final reshuffling — for a while, at least — shifts the ACC's footprint into the Midwest, moving into Kentucky and Indiana.

"I think the benefit comes from the quality of schools and athletic programs," Swofford said. "The quality is really what's brought to the table and along with it, from a pure marketplace standpoint, our footprint now has the largest population and the most television sets of any conference's footprint in the country. And that's only going to grow in the future if you look at projected population disbursement. That's all part of the positioning of the conference for the long term."

James Rodriguez signs 6-year deal with Real Madrid

By Harold Heckle
Associated Press

MADRID — A week after finishing the World Cup as the tournament's top scorer with six goals, Colombia forward James Rodriguez signed a six-year deal with Real Madrid on Tuesday.

The 23-year-old Rodriguez, who helped Colombia reach the quarterfinals in Brazil, passed a medical examination at the Sanitas Clinic in the northern suburb of La Moraleja.

"I'm very happy," Rodriguez said as he left the clinic. "Everything went well."

In the afternoon he was presented to thousands of cheering fans at the Santiago Bernabeu Stadium. Many wore Colombian national colors and waved flags.

Madrid president Florentino Perez welcomed the forward and referred to him as James - which he pronounced in the Spanish style as ha-mes - Rodriguez.

Perez said the late Madrid great and honorary president Alfredo Di Stefano had also come to the club from Colombia, where he had been playing before his arrival in Spain.

"Colombia will be at your side," said Perez, raising a loud cheer from fans in the stadium.

Rodriguez said: "I hope to win many titles here. Hala Madrid," invoking the club's chant.

Spanish sports newspapers Marca and As both reported that Madrid had agreed to pay French club Monaco 80 million euros ($108 million) for Rodriguez. He is expected to join the squad on Aug. 1.

Rodriguez's goal against Uruguay in the second round of the World Cup, when he chested the ball down and then volleyed it in, was voted the best goal of the tournament.

"I think they (Madrid) were interested in me before my goal against Uruguay," Rodriguez said. "But by scoring that goal I enhanced my chances of coming here."

Rodriguez will strengthen Madrid's attacking lineup, joining Cristiano Ronaldo, Gareth Bale and Karim Benzema up front.

Rory McIlroy is poised to be golf's next big thing

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

HOYLAKE, England — Golf has been looking for the next big star the last five years, and Rory McIlroy is the most obvious candidate.

With his name on the claret jug and his Irish eyes now focused on a green jacket, McIlroy took a big step toward the career Grand Slam with four dominant days at Royal Liverpool. He looks unbeatable at times like this. Boy Wonder has it all — skill, strength, shotmaking. Throw in a great week with the putter and it's not a fair fight.

But being the next big star is not the same as being the next Tiger Woods.

Or even another Jack Nicklaus.

Nicklaus and Woods are defined by the majors, so it's natural for the 25-year-old McIlroy to be linked with them after his two-shot victory in the British Open. Nicklaus and Woods were the only players younger than McIlroy to win three legs of the Grand Slam.

Nicklaus had the U.S. Open, Masters and PGA Championship when he was 23. He had been a pro for two years. Woods had the Masters, PGA Championship and U.S. Open when he was 24 and in his fourth full year as a pro. Woods added the career slam a month later.

McIlroy had a head start. He turned pro when he was 18. This is his seventh year playing the majors.

More than the majors, however, is a body of work that keeps Woods in a different league. At least for now.

"We used to say there will never be another Nicklaus, and then along came Tiger," Phil Mickelson said. "You never want to discount the possibility of someone coming along and dominating. But nobody has really asserted themselves week in and week out the way Tiger did for such a long period of time. We'll have great performances, like Rory this week, like (Martin) Kaymer at the U.S. Open and so forth.

"But it's very hard to do that week in and week out the way Tiger did," he said. "That's why it was so impressive what he did."

Woods had a dip in his game when he overhauled his swing toward the end of his first full season on tour. Once he sorted that out, he won seven out of 11 majors. More than just majors, however, he won 28 tournaments worldwide in a three-year span.

McIlroy, who now has 13 wins worldwide, has been prone to inconsistent play. He missed four cuts in a five-tournament stretch in the summer of 2012 before going on a tear by winning the PGA Championship, consecutive FedEx Cup playoff events and the money title on both sides of the Atlantic.

He went to No. 1 in the world and looked as if he would stay there for a generation.

But he didn't win last year until late November in Australia. Blame that on a combination of signing a new equipment deal, getting into bad habits with his swing and changing management for the second time, this one leading to a legal dispute that still has to be worked out in court.

Off the course, he got engaged to tennis star Caroline Wozniacki, and then surprised everyone five months later by breaking the engagement over the phone.

Never a dull moment with McIlroy.

As great as he looked at Hoylake, even more intriguing is where McIlroy goes from here. With so much emphasis on the Masters and a shot at the Grand Slam, McIlroy had to remind himself there is one major still to play before then. The PGA Championship at Valhalla is three weeks away.

He is still No. 2 in the world behind Adam Scott, who has the consistency McIlroy needs, but not a reliable putter. It seems to be only a matter of time before McIlroy gets to the top and tries to stay there a little longer.

Even if he's not the next Tiger, he can be the next dominant player.

"Some of the guys will have heard me say that golf is looking to someone to put their hand up and try, and I said at that time I want to be that person," McIlroy said. "I want to be the guy that goes on and wins majors, and wins majors regularly, wins tournaments. I'd love to be in that position. And I've had chances before to kick on from there. I did after my second major at Kiawah. I kicked on for another six months and played really well.

"I just want to think ahead and go forward ... because I feel like there's a lot more left in me."

Guardiola expects to keep Green with Bayern Munich

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Bayern Munich coach Pep Guardiola expects to keep young American forward Julian Green with the club this season instead of loaning him to another team.

The 19-year-old, who scored against Belgium in the World Cup, spent most of last season with Bayern Munich II in the German fourth tier. He made his first-team debut Nov. 27 as an 88th-minute substitute in a Champions League match at CSKA Moscow.

"I think he's going to stay, but we have to see how is the market," Guardiola said during a conference call Tuesday looking ahead to his team's U.S. tour.

Green played for Germany in three qualifiers for the 2014 European Under-19 Championship, then switched affiliation and made his U.S. national team debut in April. The third youngest player at the World Cup, he made his only tournament appearance in the second-round match against Belgium and scored in the 107th minute of the Americans' 2-1 loss, two minutes after entering.

"When he played, he showed his level, scoring a beautiful, beautiful goal," Guardiola said. "Now he came back today. He's a little bit injured in his knee. He will be rested. He will be not in the field for the next two or three days."

After watching the World Cup, Guardiola said that "obviously, the United States made a lot of steps forward."

"I was really impressed about the back line," he added.

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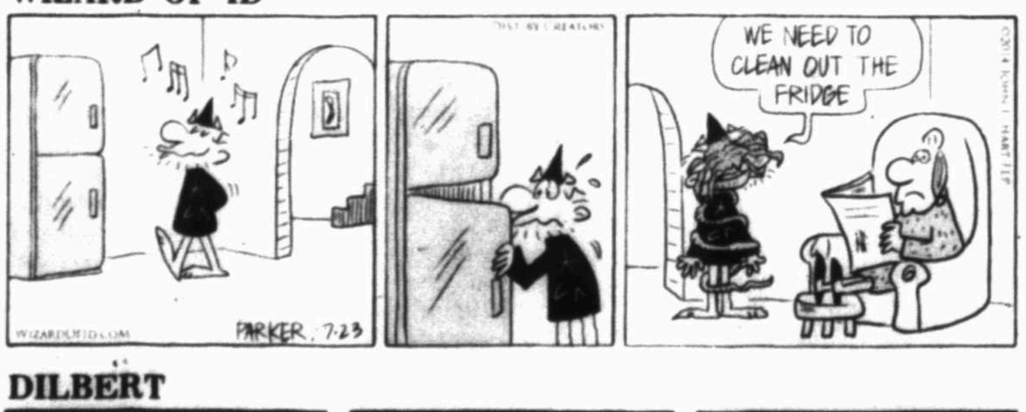

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HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

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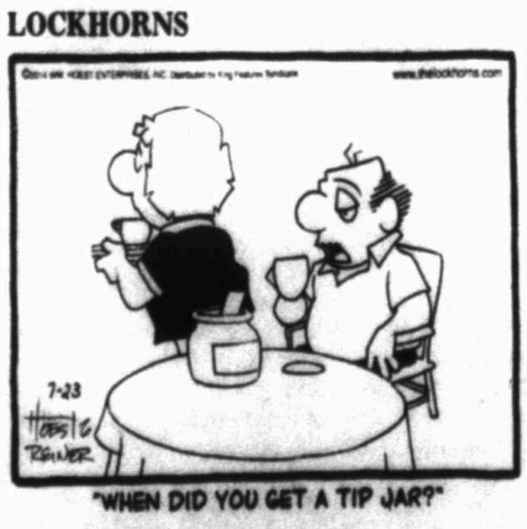
CLOSE TO HOME

Soccer games took on a whole new meaning for the parents of Hillsdale Youth Soccer.

DENNIS THE MENACE

"I THINK WE SHOULD SPLIT YOUR FEE. AFTER ALL, I'M THE ONE WHO GOT IT CLOGGED UP IN THE FIRST PLACE."

LOCKHORNS



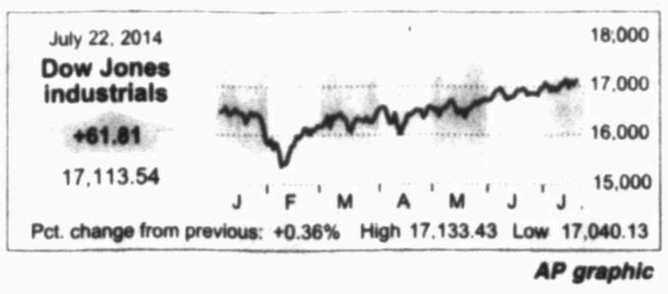
"WHEN DID YOU GET A TIP JAR?"

FAMILY CIRCUS

"Mommy, you're not doin' it right. PJ's s'posed to lead. He's the man."

BUSINESS & OIL

A DAY ON WALL STREET



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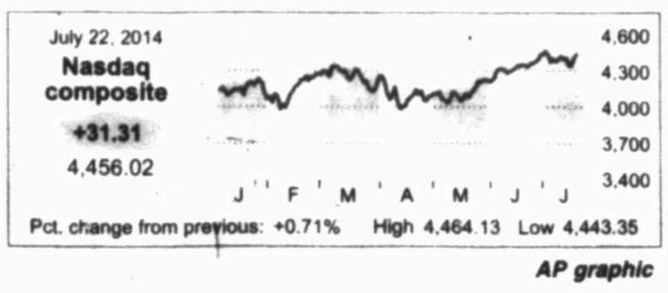

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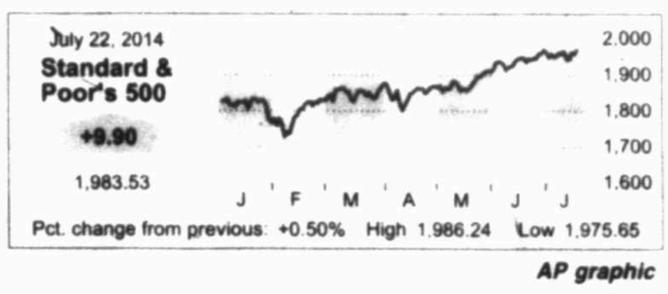

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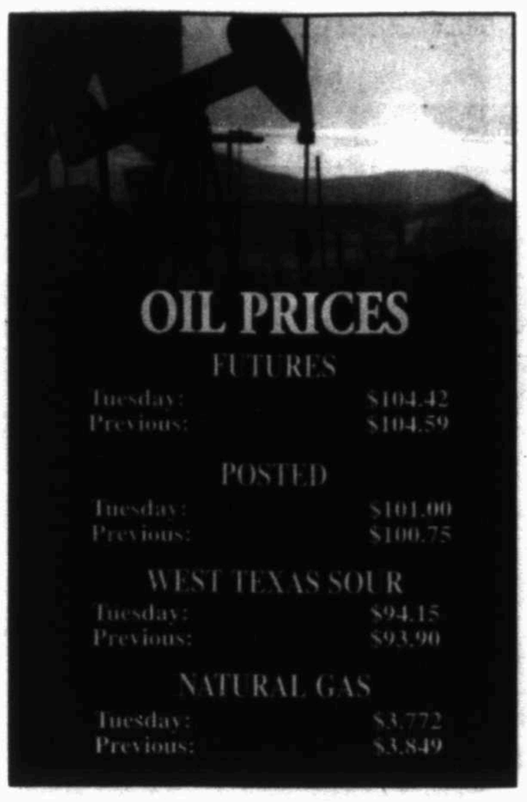

NYSE

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
S&P500ETF	598235198	20	+.86
BkofAm	568229	15.52	
iShEMkts	417459	44.72	+.41
RiteAid	392769	7.28	+.19
GenElec	335276	26.02	+.04

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Herbalife	67.77	+13.75	+25.5
EKodak wt	11.40	+1.40	+14.0
500.com n	39.95	+4.36	+12.3
Chipotle	659.77	+69.84	+11.8
EKodk wtA	10.50	+1.02	+10.8

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
NewOrlEd	21.01	-3.19	-13.2
BcpSouth	21.51	-1.90	-8.1
SunTr wtB	4.59	-.39	-7.8
DrGMnBull	27.38	-2.20	-7.4
Pretium g	7.31	-.58	-7.4

Diary

Advanced	2,143
Declined	971
Unchanged	112
Total issues	3,226
New Highs	181
New Lows	17
Volume	2,804,880,719

Amex

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
GreenHntr	56664	2.92	+.31
AmApparel	33220	1.09	-.07
CherwenEn	26897	74.50	+1.64
FlexSolu	19260	1.22	+.05
NwGold g	17556	6.28	-.02

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
GreenHntr	2.92	+.31	+11.9
AvalonHld	4.73	+.43	+10.0
TrioTch	3.74	+.33	+9.7
GasNatural	12.45	+.81	+7.0
PyramidOil	5.83	+.38	+7.0

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
AtlasrcAst	688.65	-58.40	-7.8
TanzRy g	2.16	-.15	-6.5
EnviroStr	2.37	-.13	-5.2
FstWV	19.01	-.98	-4.9
InspireMD	2.40	-.12	-4.8

Diary

Advanced	234
Declined	180
Unchanged	23
Total issues	437
New Highs	10
New Lows	3
Volume	75,627,359

Nasdaq

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Apple Inc s	479350	94.72	+.78
FuelCellE	419932	2.47	+.26
Intel	408913	34.79	+.73
Facebook	393290	69.27	-.13
Microsoft	391310	44.83	-.01

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
NetElem	2.36	+.91	+62.8
NN Inc	29.53	+4.04	+15.8
HlthStrm	25.75	+3.50	+15.7
DiscComB	84.32	+10.38	+14.0
SuprtlH rsh	2.80	+.34	+13.9

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SilcLtd	29.83	-8.19	-23.6
TG Thera	8.26	-1.34	-13.9
InterCld wt	2.60	-.38	-12.8
DelFriscos	22.21	-3.02	-12.0
MELAScr rs	2.48	-.33	-11.7

Diary

Advanced	1,791
Declined	886
Unchanged	118
Total issues	2,795
New Highs	93
New Lows	31
Volume	1,666,996,303

Chrysler recalls Jeep SUVs for ignition switch defects

Associated Press

DETROIT — The ignition switch defects that engulfed General Motors are now a rapidly growing problem at Chrysler.

Chrysler said Tuesday it is recalling up to 792,300 older Jeep SUVs worldwide because the ignition switches could fall out of the "run" position, shutting off the engine and disabling air bags, power-assisted steering and braking. That's the same problem that has forced GM to recall more than 15 million cars over the last six months.

Chrysler's recall covers 2005-07 Grand Cherokees and 2006-07 Commanders. The company said it is not sure exactly how many will be recalled, but said it will notify customers by mid-September.

Chrysler said an outside force such as a driver's knee can knock switches out of the "run" position. Engineers are working on a fix.

The Auburn Hills, Michigan-based automaker, now part of Fiat Chrysler Automobiles NV, said it knows of no related injuries and only one accident. But it said owners should keep clearance between their knees and keys until repairs are made.

Chrysler has now recalled more than 1.7 million vehicles for ignition-switch problems. In June, the company added 696,000 minivans and SUVs to a 2011 recall to fix faulty ignition switches. Those recalls covered Dodge Journey SUVs and Chrysler Town & Country, Dodge Caravan and Volkswagen Routan minivans — which Chrysler made for the German automaker — from the 2007 to 2010 model years.

Tuesday's recall is the outgrowth of two investigations opened by U.S. safety regulators last month as part of a broader probe into ignition-switch and air-bag problems across the auto industry. The agency wouldn't say Tuesday whether its investigation could lead to recalls at other automakers.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration said in June that it was investigating Jeep Commanders and Grand Cherokees after getting 32 complaints that a driver's knee can hit the key fob or key chain, causing the ignition switch to move out of position.

The federal investigation is still open. The agency said Tuesday that it is requesting additional information from Chrysler to ensure that its repairs will be effective.

The investigations and recalls come after GM bungled an ignition-switch recall of older small cars. GM acknowledged that it knew of the ignition problem for more than a decade but failed to recall the cars until earlier this year, when it recalled 2.6 million small cars such as the Chevrolet Cobalt. Subsequent safety reviews caused GM to recall millions more vehicles for faulty switches.

"The GM Cobalt recall brought to light new information that NHTSA will use in the future to evaluate stalling issues," NHTSA said in a recent statement. "While there is no specific standard regarding ignition-switch torque and no standard regarding the amount of weight from key chains and keys that an ignition switch must be able to handle, NHTSA will continue to conduct research to determine additional improvements that can be made to the nation's fleet."

Stocks climb as earnings reports roll in

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Solid earnings for a range of big companies helped nudge the stock market higher on Tuesday.

The restaurant chain Chipotle Mexican Grill and the cable giant Comcast surged after reporting better results than Wall Street expected.

"The news today is pretty good," said JJ Kinahan, chief strategist at TD Ameritrade. Kinahan pointed to a report released Tuesday that showed little sign of inflation and an overall stronger outlook for earnings. During conference calls to discuss quarterly results, more CEOs are taking an optimistic tone, he said, instead of warning about possible dangers.

"In the past, they all spent their time tempering expectations," Kinahan said. "This earnings season we're not seeing that at all. I think people are taking comfort in it."

The Standard & Poor's 500 index added 9.90 points, or 0.5 percent, to 1,983.53. The Dow Jones industrial average rose 61.81 points, or 0.4 percent, to 17,113.54. The Nasdaq composite advanced 31.31 points, or 0.7 percent, to 4,456.02.

Chipotle surged $69.84, or 12 percent, to $659.77, the biggest gain in the S&P 500 index. The burrito chain reported that stronger sales drove its quarterly profit up 26 percent. The restaurant chain's results beat analysts' expectations, even as it raised prices on a range of menu items.

Comcast, the country's largest cable company, reported quarterly profits that topped Wall Street's targets as more people signed up for Internet service. Comcast gained 81 cents, or 1.5 percent, to $54.63.

Wall Street is in the middle of corporate earnings season, when companies release their quarterly results. Investors pour over those reports to gauge the financial health of Corporate America, and in turn, the U.S. economy. Roughly 150 companies in the S&P 500 will report their results this week, including AT&T and Boeing on Wednesday.

Oil remains relatively high

The price of oil fell slightly Tuesday, but experts see geopolitical tensions preventing any significant short-term declines.

U.S. benchmark crude for August delivery fell 17 cents to $104.42 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The more heavily traded September contract slipped 47 cents to $102.39.

Brent crude for September delivery, a benchmark for international oils, dropped 35 cents to $107.33 on the ICE Futures exchange in London.

Fighting between the Israeli military and Palestinian militants in Gaza has added to the risk of instability in the oil-rich Middle East just as tensions have intensified between the West and Russia, a major oil and gas producer, over the Ukraine crisis.

European leaders are considering tougher sanctions against Russia for its backing of separatists accused of shooting down the Malaysia Airways passenger plane in Ukraine last week. The European Union's foreign ministers were meeting to discuss their next steps.

Most metals fall

Gold fell $7.60, or 0.6 percent, to $1,306.30 an ounce. Platinum for October delivery dropped $5.10, or 0.3 percent, to $1,488.30 an ounce. Palladium for September declined $2.30, or 0.3 percent, to $874.85 an ounce.

Silver was little changed at $21 an ounce, and copper edged up 1 cent to $3.21 a pound.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $138.97 Up 4.77

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $146.31 Up 0.93

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $26.97 Up 0.41

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $86.56 Down 1.43

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $31.78 Up 0.54

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $7.42 Down 0.04

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $31.44 Up 0.31

RSP Permian (RSPP)
Closing Price $32.10 Up 0.85

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $18.50 Up 0.18

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AK Steel			8.93	+.47	+8.9
AT&T Inc	1.84	11	35.94	-.02	+2.2
AbbVie	1.68	21	54.05	+.05	+2.3
Abraxas	...	44	5.70	+.13	+74.8
AdamsEx	.84e	...	13.98	+.04	+7.0
AMD	...	38	3.80	+.02	-1.8
Alcoa	.12	41	17.09	+.47	+60.8
AlonUSA	.24	...	12.60	+.32	-22.6
AMovilL	.35e	19	23.76	+.54	+1.7
ARltCapPr	1.00		12.93	-.15	+.6
Amgen	2.44	20	121.11	+2.08	+6.2
Anadarko	1.08f	...	108.32	-.55	+36.6
Apache	1.00	24	103.12	+4.56	+20.0
Apple Inc s	1.88f	16	94.72	+.78	+18.2
ApldMatl	.40	32	22.52	-.39	+27.4
ATMOS	1.48	18	51.20	+.13	+12.7
AutoData	1.92	27	81.68	+.70	+1.1
BP PLC	2.28	8	50.97	+.25	+4.9
BabsCCInv	1.20	...	15.41	+.11	+3.2
BakrHu	.68f	25	74.69	+.36	+35.2
BkofAm	.04	18	15.52	...	-.3
B iPVix rs	...	...	27.94	-.57	-34.3
BasicEnSv	...	...	27.34	+.15	+73.3
BerkHa A	...	16	192640.00	-390.00	+8.3
BlkHillsCp	1.56	24	56.64	-.39	+7.9
BrlStySq	1.44	28	49.12	+.20	-7.6
BrownFA	1.16	31	91.33	+.05	+23.8
BrownFB	1.16	30	92.80	+.78	+22.8
CBS B	.48	19	59.40	-1.03	-6.8
CVS Care	1.10	20	77.87	+.83	+8.8
Cadence	...	38	17.03	-.47	+21.5
Cameron	...	24	69.08	+.18	+16.0
Caterpillar	2.80f	19	110.06	-.17	+21.2
Celestic g	...	17	11.68	-.22	+12.3
Cemex	.52t	...	13.05	+.01	+14.7
CntryLink	2.16	...	37.31	+.29	+17.1
ChesEng	.35	22	26.85	+.09	+4.6
Chevron	4.28f	13	132.58	+1.29	+6.1
Chicos	.30	22	16.21	-.15	-14.0
Cimarex	.64	28	145.83	+2.28	+39.0
Cisco	.76	18	25.95	+.10	+16.6
Citigroup	.04	11	49.80	+.25	-4.8
ClayEng	...	61	138.97	+4.77	+69.6
CocaCola	1.22	22	41.19	-1.21	-.3
ColgPalm	1.44	30	68.59	-.17	+5.2
Comcast	.90	20	54.63	+.81	+5.1
ConAgra	1.00	42	30.62	-.03	-9.1
ConchoRes	...	49	146.31	+.93	+35.5
ConocoPhil	2.92f	14	86.02	+1.49	+21.8
CrackerB	4.00f	18	97.48	+.62	-11.4
CrosTim	2.71e	13	33.19	+.10	+12.9
DCP Mid	2.98f	42	57.56	+.71	+14.3
DTE	2.76f	18	76.09	+.17	+14.6
Dataram h			2.75		+5.8
Dawson	.32	39	26.97	+.41	-20.3
DeltaAir	.36f	3	37.68	+.53	+37.2
DevonE	.96	19	78.15	+1.03	+26.3
DnSCBear			15.16	-.40	-10.7
Disney	.86f	22	86.21	+.47	+12.8
DowChm	1.48	14	52.30	+.44	+17.8
eBay	...	...	52.05	+.35	-5.1
EMC Cp	.46f	23	28.52	+.19	+13.4
EOG Res s	.50	27	116.55	+.40	+38.9
EmpDist	1.02	15	25.24	+.10	+11.2
Energen	.60	38	89.33	+1.61	+26.3
EngyTsfr	3.74f	...	57.86	+.54	+1.1
EnPro	...	67	72.88	+.85	+28.4
EntPrPt	2.88f	28	78.40	+.82	+18.3
Ericsson	.40e	...	12.67	+.13	+3.5
ExternanH	.60	28	43.70	+.53	+27.8
ExxonMbl	2.76f	14	103.54	+.46	+2.3
Facebook	...	91	69.27	-.13	+26.8
FifthThird	.52f	12	20.70	+.17	-1.6
Flextrn	...	19	11.11	+.21	+43.0
FordM	.50	11	17.82	+.12	+15.5
ForestOil	...	18	2.20	+.04	-39.1
FuelCellE	...	...	2.47	+.26	+75.2
GATX	1.32	17	67.13	+1.28	+28.7
GabMuNT	.88	...	9.69	+.12	-21.9
GAInv	2.10e	...	37.16	+.22	+5.6
GenElec	.88	19	26.02	+.04	-7.2
GileadSci	...	33	89.33	+.47	+18.9
GluMobile	...	...	7.34	-.13	+89.1
GtPlainEn	.92	16	25.93	-.05	+7.0
Groupon	...	...	6.23	-.03	-47.0
HalconRes	...	...	6.82	-.03	+76.7
Halliburtn	.60	23	73.29	+2.29	+44.4
Herbalife	...	15	67.77	+13.75	-13.9
HuntBncsh	.20	14	9.84	+.10	+2.0
iShBrazil	1.55e	...	51.68	+.60	+15.7
iShChinaLC	.71e	...	39.07	+.86	+1.8
iShEMkts	.71e	...	44.72	+.41	+7.0
iS Eafe	2.23e	...	67.93	+.30	+1.2
iShR2K	1.48e	...	114.73	+.96	-.5
IntegrysE	2.72	21	69.07		+26.9
Intel	.90	17	34.79	+.73	+34.0
InterDig	.80f	40	45.90	-.06	+55.6
IntPap	1.40	16	47.11	-1.24	-2.5
JohnJn	2.80	19	102.47	+1.20	+11.9
Keycorp	.26	13	13.55	-.13	+1.0
KimbClk	3.36	19	108.84	-3.47	+4.2
KindME	5.56f	35	84.20	+.67	+4.4
KindMM	5.52t	51	80.48	-.02	+6.4
LegacyRes	2.44f	...	31.78	+.54	+12.9
Lubys	...	...	5.13	-.03	-33.5
MfrVGold	.19e	...	26.59	-.31	+25.8
McDnlds	3.24	17	96.27	-1.28	-.8
Merck	1.76	39	58.43	+.43	+16.7
MeritMed	...	34	14.96	+.06	-5.6
MexicoEn	...	49	7.42	-.04	+7.5
MicronT	...	11	33.63	+.56	+54.6
Microsoft	1.12	17	44.83	-.01	+19.8
Nabors	.16	62	28.96	+.28	+70.5
NatGrid	3.48e	...	76.37	-.03	+16.9
NOilVarco	1.84f	15	86.03	+.45	+20.0
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NvMAd	.80e	...	13.58	-.01	+11.7
NvPMI	.86	...	13.50	+.04	+9.1
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NSTFI3	.63e	...	13.84	+.01	+7.5
NTXQI	.70e	...	14.50	+.08	+12.8
OcciPet	2.88	14	101.27	+.69	+6.5
Oracle	.48	17	40.43	+.62	+5.7
PerTech	...	...	3.98	+.09	-27.1
ParkDri	...	24	6.48	+.14	-20.3
PettUTI	.40	32	36.26	+.98	+43.2
PennaRE	.80	...	19.30	+.04	+1.7
Pfmian	1.11e	15	14.31	-.03	+11.3
Petrobras	.46e	...	17.62	+.20	+27.9
Pfizer	1.04	17	30.49	+.14	-.5
PioNrl	.08	...	229.17	+1.51	+24.5
PlainsAAP	2.58f	25	59.82	+.30	+15.5
PlugPowr h	...	...	5.47	-.22	+252.9
PwShs QQQ	1.34e	...	96.61	+.61	+9.8
Praxair	2.60	22	131.89	+.21	+1.3
PrmEgy	...	16	64.53	+.79	+27.8
ProctGam	2.57	21	80.10	-.18	-1.6
Qualcom	1.68	20	81.53	+1.86	+9.8
RF MicD	...	63	10.72	-.07	+107.8
RangeRs	.16	56	76.57	-.13	-9.2
RegionsFn	.20	13	10.10	-.09	+2.1
RiteAid		43	7.28	+.19	+43.9
Rowan	.40	16	31.23	+.20	-11.7
RoyDShllA	3.76f	20	82.36	+.27	+15.6
SpdrDJIA	3.56e	...	170.74	+.56	+3.2
S&P500ETF	3.58e	...	198.20	+.86	+7.3
SabnR	4.05e	15	58.80	-.09	+16.3
SanderFm	.80	12	102.17	+1.92	+41.3
SandRdge	...	...	6.48	...	+6.8
Seplent	...	26	15.47	+.20	-10.9
Schlmbrg	1.60	23	113.41	+.37	+25.9
SigmaAld	.92	25	102.89	+.32	+9.4
SiriusXM	...	58	3.48	+.02	-.3
Smucker	2.56f	19	105.06	-.03	+1.4
SouFun s	.20e	15	10.82	+.34	-34.4
SP CnSt	1.11e	...	44.91	-.08	+4.5
SPDR Fncl	.35e	...	22.92	+.07	+4.8
StlDynam	.46	28	21.69	+.94	+11.0
SunocoL s	1.39f	33	45.90	+.62	+21.6
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TeleflEsp	1.03e	...	16.35	+.06	+.1
Tesoro	1.00	18	57.98	-.75	-.9
3M Co	3.42	21	145.12	+.82	+3.5
Torchmrk s	.51	14	54.87	+.14	+5.3
TriContl	.68e	...	21.13	+.04	+5.8
21stCFoxA	.25	20	33.34	+.45	-5.2
Twitter n			37.65	.40	-40.8
TylerTech	...	72	87.00	+.72	-14.8
UBWV	1.28	18	31.29	+.02	-.5
UtdTech	2.36	18	110.86	2.12	-2.6
Vale SA	.84e	...	14.43	+.18	-5.4
ValeroE	1.00	9	47.86	+.04	-5.0
VangEmg	1.11e		44.85	+.46	+9.0
VerizonCm	2.12	12	50.98	+.28	+3.7
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Zynga			3.04	-.06	-20.0

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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
17,151.58	14,719.43	Dow Jones Industrials	17,113.54	+61.81	+.36	+3.24	+9.93
8,408.17	6,237.14	Dow Jones Transportation	8,455.34	+94.64	+1.13	+14.25	+29.77
576.98	467.93	Dow Jones Utilities	558.65	-.22	-.04	+13.88	+10.08
11,334.85	9,246.89	NYSE Composite	11,016.24	+58.57	+.53	+5.92	+14.04
4,485.93	3,573.53	Nasdaq Composite	4,456.02	+31.32	+.71	+6.69	+24.50
1,985.59	1,627.47	S&P 500	1,983.53	+9.90	+.50	+7.31	+17.20
1,452.01	1,170.62	S&P Midcap	1,415.00	+7.75	+.55	+5.40	+14.14
21,108.12	17,305.21	Wilshire 5000	20,972.80	+111.23	+.53	+6.43	+16.91
1,213.55	1,009.00	Russell 2000	1,156.15	+9.49	+.83	-.64	+9.88

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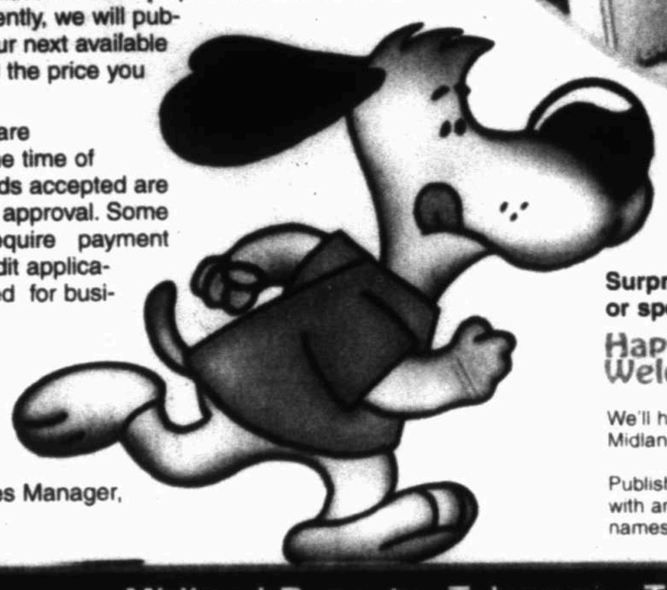

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ENDEAVOR ENERGY Resources, L.P. is hereby providing Notice of Intent to move in Equipment and Spud the Madden #1 well located 1467' FSL & 1050' FWL, in the North 100 acres of the Southeast Quarter of Section 3, Block 39, TWN-2-South, Midland County, Texas, within the City Limits of Midland. This notice is a requirement of the City of Midland under Title VI, Chapter 1, Section 23 labeled "Ordinance No. 8769" more particularly found under Section L (7) effective January 1, 2010.

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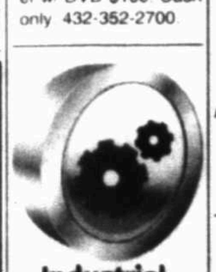

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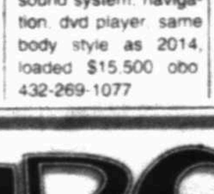

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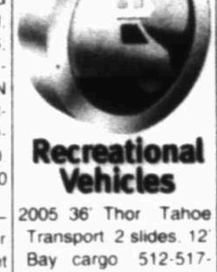

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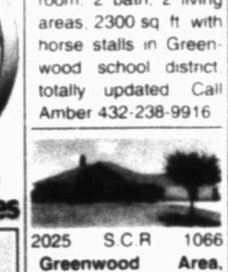

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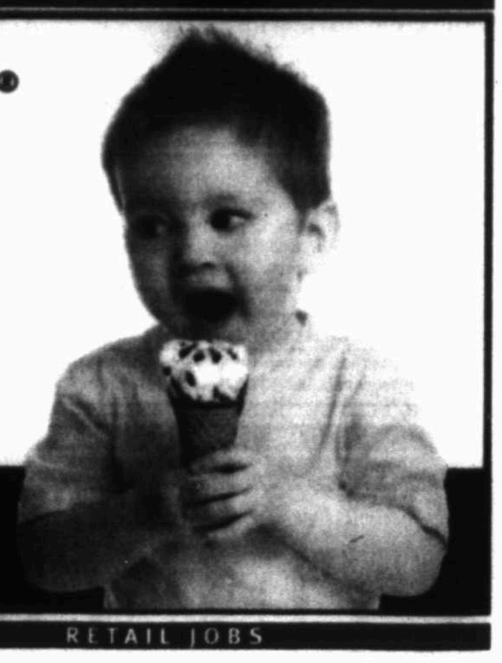

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Must be able to work Monday thru Saturday from 8am-6pm. Tuesday will be here later till about 8 or 9 pm. Need to be able to work on your feet thru 6-8 hour shift. Will work at night occasionally. We will train the right person.

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 Today Information Desk • Monday-Friday 8-5 or email jmaddox@hearstnp.com
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OTHER JOBS

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Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR NIGHT TIME ASSOCIATE

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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.

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TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

Texas Lobo Trucking, LLC
Dba: Lobo Trucking

Looking for qualified candidate for our new facility currently under construction in Odessa, TX.

Yard Manager/Truck Pusher - Fluid Handling (Odessa - Permian Basin)

Highly successful oilfield service provider is seeking a Yard Manager Truck Pusher for their Fluid Handling Business Unit. Candidate will be responsible for managing the functions of the water hauling operation by planning, organizing, directing, controlling field operations, as well as the P&L, cost controls, etc. for the Odessa yard.

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- Responsible for all activities associated with day-to-day area operations and maintenance of water hauling
- Oversee work plan, schedule, and budget and communicate to yard staff
- Ensure compliance with all Federal, State, Local and Company regulations including DOT, OSHA, etc.

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- Minimum of 3 years supervising fleet of drivers, dispatch operations, supervisors and administrative staff, preferably in the oil and gas industry and/or the water hauling business
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TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

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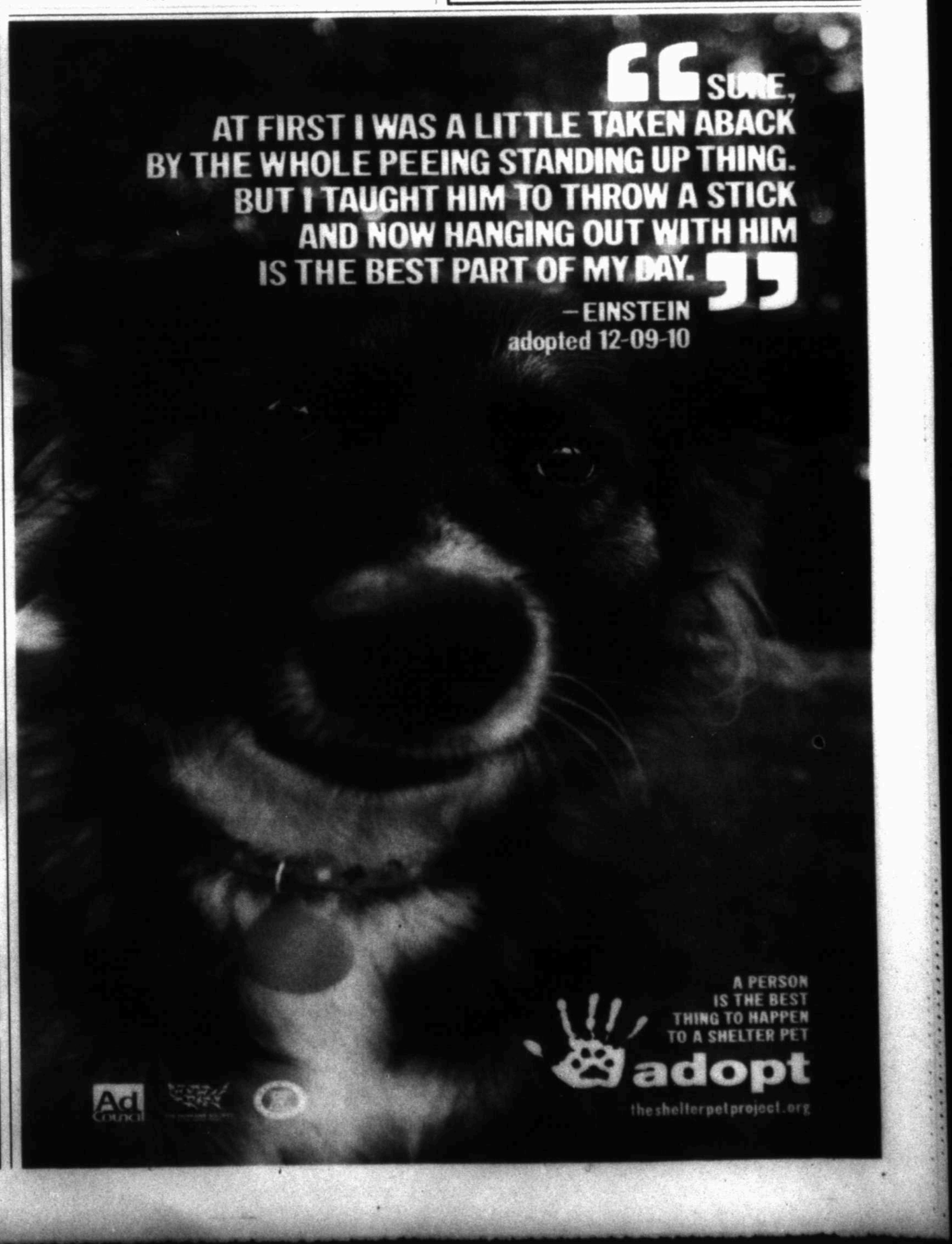

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