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Earthquake rattles southern Permian Basin

USGS says Tuesday's temblor is the 12th this year in the region; Monahans, Pecos unaffected

By Brandon Mulder
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The 3.2-magnitude earthquake that struck Tuesday afternoon along the border of Reeves and Ward counties was the 12th earthquake in the southern area of the Permian Basin this year and the second this month, according to U.S. Geological Survey data. The two largest quakes, each 3.3 on the Richter scale, occurred in April and August.

The most recent quake occurred at about 3:45 p.m. Tuesday and was imperceptible to the nearby towns of Monahans and Pecos, which lie about 25 miles northeast and northwest of the quake site — about 8 miles north of Coyonosa.

"There's no damage out here, at least I haven't heard of any," said Pecos Mayor Venetta Seals. "Nothing has been reported."

The quakes, she said, "are not anything that we're really feeling or anything."

Without remote instruments closely tracking seismic activity in rural West Texas, many of the small quakes would largely go unnoticed.

"When the earthquakes are occurring in urban areas with lots of buildings and infrastructure, it tends to probably get a little bit more attention," said Michael Young, a University of Texas senior research scientist at the Bureau of Economic Geology.

Earthquakes of similar, or even smaller, magnitudes in the Dallas-Fort Worth area have grabbed headlines as researchers sought the cause of the unnerving events.

Two of the largest earthquakes in Texas history occurred in West Texas. In 1931, a 6.0 magnitude earthquake emanated from Valentine across 1 million square kilometers of West Texas, New Mexico and Mexico, according to the Texas State Historical Association. In April 1995, a 5.7 magnitude earthquake occurred near Alpine, sending shockwaves through the Permian Basin and Midland. Both of these quakes were naturally occurring, according to a 2012 report from the UT Institute for Geophysics.

Because dozens of earthquakes have rattled Metroplex communities, state lawmakers approved legislation during the last legislative session to roll out $4.4 million worth of seismology equipment to beef up research into the sources of these quakes. The funds would pay for the TexNet Monitoring Program — a network of 22 permanent seismometer stations around the state, and 36 portable

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CROP INSURANCE CAUSE

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

U.S. Rep. Mike Conaway talks with Midland High JrROTC Honor Guard members, Cadet Sr. Airman Maria Hall, Cadet Airman 1st Class Nikayla Johnson, Cadet 1st Lt. Natalie Jarratt and Cadet Major Cinthia Aguiler on Wednesday before the Midland County Republican Women's luncheon at Midland Country Club.

Conaway explains why he voted yes on budget

By Cassie Burton
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The story of how U.S. Rep. Mike Conaway voted "yes" on the U.S. budget took center stage in his keynote speech at the Midland County Republican Women luncheon on Wednesday.

Conaway, chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture, said he voted to approve the bipartisan budget deal that only 78 other Republicans supported in order to prevent changes to crop insurance.

"As with every piece of legislation of any consequence, there are good things in it and there are bad things in it, and you ask folks that make those decisions to use their best judgment to come to a conclusion," Conaway said.

The Midlander explained how, originally, the House could write a budget that would largely fulfill the aims of the party because they had a majority vote without needing Democrats, but several developments occurred.

The main goal was to stop cuts to military funding that were part of the 2011 sequester because of mandatory caps on all government spending. Conaway said that the next set of cuts would, according to the Armed Services Committee and military officials, put "our men and women in uniform at risk" at a time when several problems are brewing overseas.

Because of the sequester — in which 50 percent of welfare funding would be cut to match the 50 percent of defense spending — House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi "created tension" with the appropriations process when she said that any increases to defense funding should be matched by increases in social welfare programs funding.

Conaway said the process was further complicated after the Charleston, South Carolina, church shooting. The shooter was associated with the Confederate rebel flag and the congressional black caucus wanted to use the appropriations process as a "vehicle," via an amendment, to remove the Mississippi flag — which contains the Confederate flag — from the capital.

Without adding a rider to the bill that banned the flag, Conaway said that enough southern Republican representatives would not vote yes. Then, videos claiming to show Planned Parenthood clinics illegally selling fetal tissue were released, which Conaway said put on the table stripping the organization of government funding.

"Those three things, to me, said that we couldn't get the appropriations process done on a normal basis," said Conaway, who is on that committee.

When President Obama, then-Speaker of the House John Boehner and Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell crafted a budget, Conaway said Obama included changes to crop insurance that would effectively nationalize crop insurance rather than keep the public/private partnership currently in place. Slashes in a 2013 farm bill cut $23 billion out of the safety net for agriculture, which made crop insurance "even more important."

Because of the proposed change, Conaway said he became part of the adjustment process. He acquired "firm commitments" from Boehner, current Speaker Paul Ryan and Kevin McCarthy that they would leave crop insurance "just as it was" if Conaway voted yes. Had he voted no, crop insurance changes would be back on the docket, likely in December.

"If I had gone against that agreement from leadership and voted no, then they would've gone against me and

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Midland ISD budget to fund internal accountability system survey

By Cassie Burton
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A segment of Midland ISD's internal accountability system will be funded from the budget after the district's chief financial officer moves around money within departments, according to Superintendent Ryder Warren.

A survey system that will allow teachers, parents and community members to safely provide anonymous feedback is one of the accountability system's "soft data points" that will cost about $95,000 according to a previous Reporter-Telegram article.

"One of the things we haven't done a good job about is that we want to have a survey system where people can make very safe comments, anonymous comments," Warren said. "We need a system in place to gauge the level of morale and the level of service that we are offering to all of the stakeholders of the district."

Warren said the district initially was going to apply for outside funding for the initiative, but then decided to "fund it ourselves" and directed chief financial officer David Garcia to sift through the budget for the money.

Elise Kail, MISD executive director of accountability, said that in addition to collecting data from stakeholders, the survey system will also allow for internal department qualitative service reviews. The district chose K12 Insight to set up the survey. Kail said the company has worked with about 300 districts nationwide.

Data that is gathered will be used to pinpoint which departments are doing well and which ones need improvement, according to community members, Warren said.

Of the $95,000, about $35,000 would go toward getting community input and $45,000 would go toward the analysis of different practices or departments within the district, such as information technologies and child nutrition. The remaining $15,000 would go toward an outside company to look at the collected data and bring in focus groups and other tools to best interpret it, according to a previous Reporter-Telegram article.

The internal accountability system is an initiative of Warren and other MISD officials as an addition to State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness exams, or STAAR, to better measure the school district. The system measures 11 different criteria, according to a previous Reporter-Telegram article.

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Obituaries

Allen Phillips

Allen Phillips departed this life November 5, 2015 in Dallas, Texas, he was the 4th son of J.C. and Ardelia Phillips born in Neches, Texas September 19, 1947. He is preceded in death by twin daughters and two brothers. He leaves to cherish his memories wife, Rose Phillips, and one daughter, Jessica & husband Lavarise Franklin of Dallas, texas, two brothers of Midland, Texas, Archie and Dean Phillips, two sisters of Midland, Texas Artelia Williams and Willie Fay Cunningham and sister, Grinetta Evans of Victoria, Texas, two brothers Calvin & Edward Phillips of Dallas, Texas, Earl of Rockwall, Texas, Hubert of Tyler, Texas; and Wayne Phillips of Richmond, Texas.

Allen joined Lee Street Church of Christ in 1967 in Midland. Ge was inducted into the Army in 1969 served a tour of duty in Vietnam, after discharged he came back to Midland and worked for Drilco and Sharp Drilling, then move to Dallas in 1972. Started working for Clevpak Paper Company and retired after 41 years in 2013.

Service will be held in Desoto, Texas Monday November 16, 2015.

Dobie Oran Bomar

Dobie Oran Bomar, of Midland Texas, rode into the sunset of his eternal home on Monday, November 9, 2015. The family will be accepting guests from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 12, 2015 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, November 13, 2015 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel.

Dobie was born June 8, 1960 in Midland, Texas, the son of Don Oran and Laruth Bomar. He attended Lee High School and was on the drumline all four years. He also participated in numerous dirt bike competitions in his youth. Dobie was a professional drummer and wood carving artist. He designed and chain sawed cut bears from pine wood; named Dobie Bears. He grew up in Midland with his sister Cindy and some of his favorite memories were spent hiking and exploring in Northern New Mexico. He loved spending time with his boys and raised both of them to be good men. He loved to laugh and make others laugh.

Dobie was preceded in death by both parents.

His sons, Deven and Dillon Bomar; sister, Cindy Bomar Hellinger; grandchildren; nieces; nephews; and numerous friends survive him.

The family suggests memorials to be made to American Cancer Society for prostate cancer research.

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

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Elva Kay "Sissy" Beauchamp Sathre

On November 5, 2015 Heaven gained another Angel her story will not end here, but her story did began July 7, 1954. Elva Kay "Sissy" Beauchamp was born at Midland Memorial Hospital to Elvery & Kay Beauchamp. She was born to a small family of 4 that included her mother, father and her brother Butch Beauchamp. Sissy grew up in the outskirts of Midland County where she loved to ride horses for pleasure & competition. Since childhood Sissy has always been interested in loving and caring for animals and that love for animals carried through out her life. She attended Midland High School and later opened and worked in many pet shops here in Midland. She even opened her own aquarium service specializing in fresh and salt water tanks "Aquariums By Sissy". Sissy was also very involved in horse, dog and cat rescue groups in our local community's. In the 1970's she would become a great mother to two boys, Steve & Randall Elder. In 1977 she met her soul mate Larry Sathre who later she would marry November 11, 1989. She loved people and couldn't go anywhere with out making a friend. Helping people gave her great pleasure. She had the biggest heart any one could have. Her talents expanded more to just aquariums, animals, and people. She was a great cake decorator, cook, and artist.

She is survived by her husband, Larry Sathre of Midland, TX. Her son Steve Elder and wife Aleta Elder of Midland, TX. Grand kids, Ashlee Elder of Wisconsin, Sierra Elder, Destiny Elder, Rylan Elder of Midland, TX. Her son Randall Elder of Midland, TX. Also her mother Kay Beauchamp of Midland, TX. Along with her nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Services for Sissy Sathre will be held at West Kentucky Baptist Church located at 1507 West Kentucky Avenue in Midland, TX. Saturday November 14, 2015 at 3pm.

Reception will be held at Sissy's house located at 2700 W. Co. Rd. 114, Midland, Texas 79706 after the service. For those who would like to send flowers Lillie's were her favorite especially Stargazer Lillie's. If you would like to make a donation in Sissy's name please make it to West Kentucky Baptist Church at the address above.

Howard "Chuck" Foremar, Sr.

Howard "Chuck" Foremar, Sr., 65, passed away at his home on November 5, 2015. He was born in Rosebud, Texas on December 22,1949 to Howard and Lizzie Foremar, who preceded him in death.

Chuck attended school at Wilson White in Rosebud. He later moved to Killeen Texas and worked as a truck driver. As years went on, he relocated to Midland, where he met and later married Erma Shaw Woodruff (Deah) on May 27, 1986. During their love life, one child was born, Dominic Foremar.

Chuck worked for Landmark Aviation Airport in Midland for 36 years.

Chuck was a very special son, husband, brother, uncle, and grandfather. He was loved by many. Everyone that has ever met him feels blessed to have had them in their lives. He will be dearly missed by all.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his loving wife, Erma; his loving children, Dominic and Noris (stepson), both of Midland, Peronica Alexander (John) of Alabama, and Mozell, Cyntell, and Tyrell of Fort Worth; his sisters, Wanda Dumas (Clarence), Jennell Iverson, Doris Holton of Killeen, Betty Cox of Columbus, Ohio, and Jackie Drummond (James) of Washington, D.C.; brothers, Michael Foremar, Donnell Foremar of Killeen, Dewayne Foremar, Douglas Foremar and Darryl Foremar of Washington, DC.; and by his grandchildren, great grandchildren, numerous nephews and nieces, and a host of cousins and long life time friends that loved him dearly.

Viewing will be Thursday, November 12, 2015 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in Thomas Chapel.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m., Friday, November 13, 2015 at the Thomas Funeral Home Chapel.

Interment will follow at Resthaven North Cemetery, under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

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Kevin Lee Woodard

Kevin Lee Woodard, named after his father, of Bay Harbor Island, Florida, formerly of Midland, Texas, passed away on November 5, 2015.

Kevin was born on January 14, 1960, in Midland, Texas to Lee Roy and Clara Joyce Woodard. Kevin attended Midland public schools and graduated in 1978 from Midland Lee High School. He was a charter member of the Golf Course Road Church of Christ where he participated in many youth activities and made lifelong friends.

Kevin attended Abilene Christian University and Texas Tech University where he pursued his interests in engineering, art, and the Bible. Of these interests, his creative side won and pursued art for the rest of his life. Kevin was an avid artist whose paintings adorn the walls of his entire family. He had an eye to see beauty in the ordinary and the uncommon in the common. This is depicted in his paintings, which include: landscapes, abstracts, and surrealisms.

He enjoyed family and special times, especially spending time with his three nieces and one nephew. Always a practical joker, Kevin made them laugh and created many special memories for them.

Kevin was an entrepreneur at heart and started a business which led him from Midland to San Antonio, Memphis, Atlanta and ultimately Bay Harbor Island, Florida. Kevin was a leader and a real friend to his employees. Many of his enduring friendships are with those who worked with him and came to admire him for his decency and concern for them.

Kevin leaves behind many friends from all the places he has lived, all of whom were touched by his warm smile, practical jokes, and deep sense of friendship.

Kevin was preceded in death by his father, Lee Roy Woodard. He is survived by his mother, Clara Joyce Woodard and his two sisters, Jana Sanders and her husband Donny, and Tammy Carhart and her husband Peter. He also leaves behind three much loved nieces, Melanie and Madison Carhart and Meredith Sanders, and a favorite nephew, Britton Sanders.

Most of all, Kevin will be remembered for his rich, full, and tender heart, and a life lived in a sweet and loving way.

A Memorial Service will be held Friday, November 13, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at Golf Course Road Church of Christ, 3500 Golf Course Road, Midland, Texas.

Online condolences may be offered at *www.ellisfunerals.com*

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Larry Lasley

Larry M. Lasley of Midland went to his heavenly home on November 9th while surrounded by his loving family.

The family will receive friends from 5:00-7:00pm on Wednesday, November 11, 2015 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland. Funeral Services will be held at 1:00pm, Thursday, November 12, 2015 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel, 3800 N Big Spring St., Midland, TX. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Larry was born on September 6, 1945 in Cardwell, Missouri to Roy and Alma Lasley. He was committed to his chosen career as a Life Insurance Salesman and always loved seeing them in the community. He enjoyed having coffee with friends and had a great sense of humor; telling jokes and pulling pranks.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Kathy Lasley; children, Kelli Whigham and husband Steve and their daughter Lauren; Tamara Willis and husband Dale and their children Amanda, Chance, and Dillon; Jeff and wife Myranda and their children Tristan and Gavin; Brian Lasley; his brother Roy Lasley Jr. and Larry's beloved dog, Major; as well as many other relatives, and a host of friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Sandra Ybarra.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made in his name to the SPCA, Lonestar Sanctuary, or Humane Coalition at PetSmart.

Pallbearers are Chance Willis, Dillon Willis, Jimmy Thornton, Jayson Thornton, Oscar Chavez and Don Bradford.

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

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G.A. Magee

Rev. G.A. Magee, 86, of Midland passed away on November 9, 2015 when the Lord called home one of His most faithful servants. The family will be accepting friends and family at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home on Wednesday, November 11, 2015 from 6:00 PM- 8:00 PM. Graveside services will be held at Resthaven Memorial Park on Thursday, November 12th, 2015 at 3:00 PM with the memorial service following at 4:00 PM at the First Baptist Church Worship Center with Pastor David Johnson officiating.

G.A. was born on October 9, 1929 in Mendoza, Texas to Rev. Hugh and Lena Magee. He graduated from Buda High School in 1947 and on September 30, 1949, G.A. married his high school sweetheart and love of his life, June Keesee. June worked and made it possible for G.A. to complete his Bachelor's degree from Hardin-Simmons University in 2 1/2 years. He then went on to do graduate studies at Hardin-Simmons and Southwestern Theological Seminary. G.A. had two student pastorates (Buffalo Gap and Loraine) and pastored for 43 years in Happy Union, San Angelo, Eunice, NM, Odessa and Midland. He retired in 1993 from Bellview Baptist Church in Midland and continued to serve as interim pastor around West Texas and New Mexico. He served in the following capacities for the New Mexico Baptist Convention: Chairman of State Executive Board, Chairman of Finance Committee, Associational Sunday School Director, Secretary of State Executive Board and Vice-President of Convention. For the Texas Baptist Convention, he served as member of the Texas Baptist Administrative Committee, member of the Texas Baptist Executive Board, member of the Texas Baptist Christian Life Convention and Chairman of the Midland Baptist Associational Finance Committee. He also served on the Baptist Sunday School Board and as a deacon at First Baptist Church in Midland. He had several recognitions: listed in the 12th Edition of Who's Who in the West, New Mexico State President of the Southwestern Baptist Seminary Alumni Association and President of Hardin-Simmons University Alumni in New Mexico. He was very active in mission work including Indian reservations in New Mexico and the River Ministry in Presidio, TX.

G.A.'s enjoyable past times were riding his horses, attending all events for his kids and grandkids and anything sports related as he was an avid Texas Longhorns fan (although he would do an occasional guns up for his Red Raider grandkids). He planted the Christian seed in all of his children and grandchildren by teaching scripture and baptizing each of them.

G.A. is survived by his daughter, Charlotte Webb and husband Mike; grandchildren, Wesley, Allison and Derek; son Rodney Magee and wife Lee Ann; grandchildren, Keith and wife Alyson (great-grandchild, Adelynn); Natalie (great-grandchildren, Devin and Aubrey); Monica and husband Jake (great-grandchildren, Dillon, Scarlett and Sterling); Lindsay and husband Jonathan (great-grandchild, Reese); Chelsea and husband Eric (great-grandchild, Cooper and Ellie); and Brooke and husband Derek; son Gaines Magee and wife Gigi; grandchildren Patrick and Blair; brother-in-law Everett Keesee; numerous cousins.

He is preceded in death by his wife, June Magee and parents, Rev. Hugh and Lena Magee.

The family would like to express their gratitude towards the staff at Orchard Park.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to First Baptist Church Mission Fund, 2104 W. Louisiana, Midland, Texas 79701 or Baptist Crisis Center, 806 South Baird Street, Midland, Texas 79701.

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

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Shirley Perkins Church

Shirley Perkins Church, 80, died on October 30, 2015 in Amarillo, Texas. Memorial services will be at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 14, 2015 at Ellis Funeral Chapel in Midland, Texas.

Shirley was born on August 17, 1935 in Fisher County, Texas to Cecil and Lillian Lee Perkins. She graduated from Roby High School and attended McMurry University in Abilene. She married Fred Church on April 5, 1958 in Stanton, Texas. They lived in Friona for a number of years where she worked in the library for Friona ISD. They lived in Sweetwater for 17 years before moving to Canyon in 2014. Shirley loved her family and enjoyed music, arts, and crafts. She was a member of Remnant Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Shirley was preceded in death by three sisters and one brother.

Survivors include her husband, Fred Church of Canyon; two sons, Perry Church and wife, Lisa of Canyon, and Dean Church and wife, Wina of Lubbock; four grandchildren; three great grandchildren; and by two sisters, Clarice McCain of Midland and Minta Eury of Duncanville.

The family suggests memorials to the patients of Baptist St. Anthony's Hospice, in care of Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Foundation, 1600 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79106.

Please sign the online guest registry at *www.brooksfuneral.com*.

Arrangements by Ellis Funeral Home and Brooks Funeral Directors.

Death Notices

Dennis Cadra

Born in Lubbock, Texas, Dennis Cadra found peace in heaven on November 5, 2015 at the age of 68.

Dennis is preceded in death by his parents, Godfrey and Marie Cadra. He is survived by his wife, Yvonne Cadra; sons, Stefan Cadra and Daniel Cadra; daughter, Kirsten White; four grandchildren, and a brother.

Visitation will be from 6:00-8:00 PM, Thursday, November 12, 2015 at Sunset Funeral Home in Odessa, 6801 E. Business 20 (Highway 80).

A Memorial Service will be at 2:00 PM, Friday, November 13, 2015 at Grace Lutheran Church in Midland, 3000 W. Golf Course Road.

Andy White, played drums on Beatles' first hit, dead at 85

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Andy White, a top session drummer in England during the 1960s who played on songs by Tom Jones and Herman's Hermits among others and stepped in for newcomer Ringo Starr as the Beatles recorded their debut single "Love Me Do," has died.

White, 85, died Monday at his home in Caldwell, New Jersey. He died several days after suffering a stroke, his wife, Thea, told The Associated Press on Wednesday.

The Scottish-born White was already an experienced musician when EMI official Ron Richards called in September 1962 and asked him to come to the Abbey Road studio in London and help with a session by a new band from Liverpool. That band — the Beatles — was working on the John Lennon-Paul McCartney song "Love Me Do" and producer George Martin was unsatisfied with the work by Starr, who had recently replaced Pete Best.

Two versions of the song were released — one with White on drums and Starr on tambourine, and one with Starr on drums — and each have appeared numerous times over the decades. "Love Me Do" was a top 20 hit in England in the fall of 1962 and topped the charts in the U.S. two years later, at the height of Beatlemania. White also played drums on the song's original B-side, "P.S. I Love You," which featured Starr on maracas.

The session lasted just a few hours. White received a small fee and never played with the Beatles again.

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Teen injured in accidental shooting

A Midland public safety official investigates the scene where a 16-year-old male was injured in an accidental shooting Wednesday. The teen was transported to Midland Memorial Hospital with a gunshot wound to the torso, according to city spokeswoman Sara Bustilloz. The injury was not believed to be life-threatening, she said. Midland police were called to a unit at Park Square Apartment Homes, off Neely Avenue, at about 6:30 p.m. The incident is under investigation to determine if foul play was involved, Bustilloz said.

Lost dog tag found in England, returned

By Loretta Fulton
Abilene Reporter-News

ABILENE — A pleasant afternoon of tending a garden unearthed quite a surprise for an English couple — and an even bigger one for a family in Texas.

Donna Stone answered the phone in her Abilene home on Aug. 25. It was 10:15 a.m. here and 4:15 p.m. where the caller was, at home in the village of Sutton Veny, southwest of London. She had a heavy British accent, adding to the intrigue.

"Is this the Stone residence?" the woman asked. "I'm trying to find Elmer Stone. I found his dog tag in the garden."

The Abilene Reporter-News reported that would be a World War II dog tag. Elmer Stone was an American soldier who was stationed in England and was part of the Normandy invasion. His unit landed on June 7, 1944, the day after D-Day.

Donna Stone knew all about Elmer Stone. She is married to one of his three sons, Tom Stone. Elmer Stone died at age 82 in 2002. His daughter-in-law was suspicious of the phone call. Was it an international scam?

"I was real skeptical," Donna Stone said. "But I really wanted to believe her."

She listened, but didn't offer too much information. But by the time the call ended about 15 minutes later, she was convinced that the caller was a well-meaning British lady with a hard-to-believe story that was actually true.

Tom Stone was mowing the lawn during the telephone conversation and his wife decided it was best to get what information she could from the caller, then relay it to her husband who could decide what to do with it.

"The first thing I did," Tom Stone said, pointing to the desk, "was walk over here and check it."

The number matched, as did other vital information.

Convinced that the caller was on the up-and-up, Tom and Donna Stone called back the following Sunday. They had a nice visit with a lovely English couple, Martin and Kate Collier, who are in their late-60s.

Abilene Reporter-News/AP

On Nov. 6, Tom Stone and his wife, Donna, display a photo of Tom's father, Elmer, and mother, Doris, along with Elmer's dog tag, at their home in Abilene. Elmer Stone's original dog tag was found in the garden of a home in Sutton Veny, England.

The Colliers live in the scenic village of Sutton Veny, which has a rich World War I and World War II history.

Part of their home is 400 years old, but the part with the most intriguing history turns out to the garden that abuts a road that World War II soldiers would have marched down on their way to the D-Day invasion that helped seal the victory over Germany.

Kate Collier alluded to that bit of history in an email to the Stones after their telephone conversations.

"Strange to think," Kate Collier wrote, "that Elmer probably traveled this road on his way to Normandy."

Strange to think, but undoubtedly true. Elmer Stone's dog tag was the fourth one belonging to a United States soldier that the Colliers had dug up in their garden in the past year and a half. They diligently tried to track down the owner, or his relatives, for each tag.

The process took three weeks before the Colliers located the correct Stone family in the United States. Kate Collier used the web site, www.whitepages.com, to contact every "Elmer D. Stone" that popped up on the website.

The Colliers had no way of knowing whether Elmer Stone was still alive or where he might live. But they persevered and placed the decisive phone call, after the name "Elmer D. Stone" showed up as a relative of Tom Stone in Abilene.

After the two couples exchanged phone calls and emails, Kate Collier told the Abilenians to be watching for an envelope within a few days.

On Sept. 8, the hand-addressed envelope arrived at the Stones' home. Inside was the dog tag, a letter, a card featuring a photo of Sutton Veny and photos of the Collier's historic home and the garden.

Opening the letter with his dad's World War II dog tag brought back a lot of memories for Tom Stone. He and his brothers, Gary of Abilene and David of Austin, had grown up knowing that their dad served in the 36th Armored Infantry Regiment during the war and that he had participated in the D-Day invasion. But, like many World War II veterans, Elmer Stone didn't talk a lot about his experiences.

Some of them were captured by Tom and Donna Stone's daughter, Mindy, who interviewed her grandfather for an honors world history class at Abilene High School in 1983. She wrote of how Elmer Stone received a Purple Heart for wounds suffered in a battle near Darmstadt, Germany, in 1944. He recuperated in a hospital in Paris for three months.

After his release from the hospital, he returned to the Army and was scheduled to go to Japan with his unit when the war ended. He returned to the United States, departing from Southampton, England, aboard the Queen Elizabeth on Sept. 15, 1945.

Mindy, now Mindy Bannister, recorded her grandfather's recollections of the day the ship arrived home.

"The response and support of the American citizens on the arrival of their heroic soldiers at the end of World War II," she wrote, "was tremendously fantastic."

The following month, on Oct. 21, Elmer Stone received his honorable discharge and his Purple Heart and Bronze Star medals after serving in seven European campaigns.

On one of those campaigns, or en route to one, he unwittingly left his dog tag. His son, Tom Stone, speculates that he never even knew the dog tag was missing until he needed to show it to someone and then a new one was issued.

The reason that the dog tag and the three others unearthed by the Colliers were left at that particular spot in Sutton Veny, England, may never be known. The village's website gives an account of its World War II history, noting that the community was a headquarters site for the United States Army beginning in late 1943. The soldiers remained in the area until they left for the D-Day invasion that began on June 6, 1944.

Perhaps Elmer Stone's unit camped on the very spot where Martin and Kate Collier's garden now is located. Kate Collier is hopeful that publicity about the four dog tags will reach someone who was there and can explain why the identification tags were left.

Until then, she has a good British mystery on her hands.

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STATE BRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

DALLAS

Education agency says 7 of 8 Texas schools meet standards

About 87 percent of schools in Texas met state academic standards this year, according to ratings from the Texas Education Agency.

The Dallas Morning News reported that schools and districts with poor assessments had an opportunity to contest after preliminary ratings came out in August.

Thirteen districts and 59 schools in the state filed appeals, including nine schools in Dallas, seven in Fort Worth and three in Richardson. Two Dallas charter schools, Focus Learning Academy and Nova Academy Southeast, also tried to convince the agency that they deserved a better rating.

Two districts and 13 schools won appeals statewide, including Nova Academy Southeast.

The agency has released a list of schools and districts that won but hasn't explained Education Commissioner Michael Williams' decisions.

EL PASO

Trolley track construction set to start in January

An organizer says track construction is scheduled to start in January as trolley service returns to El Paso in a $97 million transit project.

Raymond Telles with the Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority told the El Paso City Council on Tuesday that design work has been completed.

The El Paso Times reported the first part of the route should be ready by 2018.

Members of a task force, established for community outreach, will walk the nearly 5-mile route to introduce themselves to residents and business owners.

HOUSTON

Court OKs review of conviction in 1998 Galveston shootings

A sharply divided Texas Court of Criminal Appeals has decided the convictions of a Houston man sentenced to five life prison terms for killing one person and wounding four others by firing a gun into a crowd of hundreds of people at the Galveston Mardi Gras in 1998 deserve another look.

The state's highest court, with four of the nine judges dissenting, returned the case of Keith Michael St. Aubin to his trial court Wednesday for review.

St. Aubin's attorneys argue the five convictions — for one count of murder and four counts of attempted capital murder — all used the one murder as an element. They say that's unconstitutional double jeopardy.

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Things to do

■ "The Outsiders." Directed by Amber McDonald, the classic novel by S.E. Hinton comes to the the stage. Performances at 7:30 p.m.. The Globe Theatre, 2308 Shakespeare Road, Odessa. $15. globesw.org.

■ David Archuleta, 8 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. $26-$46. wagnernoel.com.

Meetings schedule

Commissioners' Court
1:30 p.m. Thursday
Midland County Courthouse auxiliary courtroom.
500 N. Loraine Ave.

Support groups and club meetings

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

■ Chronic fatigue fibro-myalgia syndromes support group, noon, Rays of Hope Grief Centre; 520-3500.

■ TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 5:30-7:30 p.m., Christian Church of Midland, 2609 Neely Ave. 694-8643.

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

■ Sun Country Gentlemen, 7 p.m., Rea Greathouse Room at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 553-1952 or 425-5662.

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

■ Bingo, 7-10 p.m., American Legion Post 19, 501 Veterans Airpark Lane, 682-5511.

Rusk veterans event

Rusk Elementary School's 16th annual Veterans Day USO Show at 10:15 a.m. Friday at the Commemorative Air Force Hangar, 9600 Wright Drive. The presentation includes song, dance and skits. About 1,250 area veterans have been invited.

Midland County Sheriff Gary Painter is the guest speaker and H-E-B will provide sack lunches, cake and coffee for veterans.

Bike rodeo on Saturday

Midland Pediatric Associates, 4214 Mamies Circle, is hosting its annual Bike Rodeo 2-4 p.m. Saturday.

Free helmets will be provided and police officers will discuss bicycle safety. There also will be face painting and refreshments.

League of Women Voters forum

The Midland League of Women Voters is hosting a forum, "Money in Politics," 7 p.m. Monday at the Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. Speakers will be David Rosen and James Beauchamp, with the county Democratic and Republican parties, respectively.

Midland CycloCross

The Midland CycloCross 2015 Mud, Sweat & Gears event will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at Beal Park.

The event features a 1.6-mile course and is roughly one-third single track dirt, one-third grass and one-third pavement. There are multiple divisions for riders of all ages and skill levels.

Contact dleary@midlandYMCA.org for more information, or go to the Midland YMCA Facebook page for more details.

Legal aid week

Veterans Legal Aid Week continues through Friday, and during this time, civil legal services will be provided for qualified veterans through Legal Aid of Northwest Texas, 212 N. Main St.

For more information, call March Scribner at 686-0647 or Cassandra Champioin at 512-853-0374.

The Texas Legal Services Center also will provide online chats 10 a.m.-3 p.m. each day for those veterans who need assistance. For more information, call 800-622-2520, option 2.

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Pick 3 evening: 1-0-3
Pick 3 night: 6-0-8
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Daily 4 day: 1-4-3-1
Daily 4 evening: 7-5-7-7
Daily 4 night: 3-7-2-2
Cash Five: 06-14-27-28-36
Lotto Texas: 22-34-35-38-39-41
Powerball: 04-26-32-55-64, Powerball: 18, Power Play: 3
All or Nothing morning: 01-02-03-04-06-07-10-11-13-15-16-20
All or Nothing day: 02-03-04-06-08-09-12-13-14-15-17-19
All or Nothing evening: 01-02-04-07-08-09-10-12-15-18-20-22
All or Nothing night: 04-05-07-08-09-10-12-13-14-16-17-21

Today in history

In 1927, Josef Stalin became the undisputed ruler of the Soviet Union as Leon Trotsky was expelled from the Communist Party.

In 1936, the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge opened as President Franklin D. Roosevelt pressed a telegraph key in Washington, D.C., giving the green light to traffic.

In 1942, the World War II naval Battle of Guadalcanal began. (The Allies ended up winning a major victory over Japanese forces.)

Today's birthdays: Sportscaster Al Michaels is 71. Singer-songwriter Neil Young is 70. Actor Ryan Gosling is 35. Actress Anne Hathaway is 33.

Troops didn't have eyes on hospital before attack

By Ken Dilanian and Lynne O'Donnell
Associated Press

AP file photo

On Oct. 16, the charred remains of the Doctors Without Borders hospital is seen after being hit by a U.S. airstrike in Kunduz, Afghanistan. Immediately after the U.S. killed at least 30 people in a devastating airstrike on a charity hospital, Afghanistan's national security adviser told a European diplomat that his country would take responsibility. It was convinced the hospital was occupied by Taliban.

WASHINGTON — Immediately after the U.S. killed at least 30 people in a devastating airstrike on a charity hospital, Afghanistan's national security adviser told a European diplomat his country would take responsibility because "we are without doubt, 100 percent convinced the place was occupied by Taliban," according to notes of the meeting reviewed by The Associated Press.

More than a month later, no evidence has emerged to support that assertion. Eyewitnesses tell the AP they saw no gunmen at the hospital.

Instead, there are mounting indications the U.S. military relied heavily on Afghan allies who resented the internationally run Doctors Without Borders hospital, which treated Afghan security forces and Taliban alike but says it refused to admit armed men.

The new evidence includes details the AP has learned about the location of American troops during the attack. The U.S. special forces unit whose commander called in the strike was under fire in the Kunduz provincial governor's compound a half-mile away from the hospital, according to a former intelligence official who has reviewed documents describing the incident. The commander could not see the medical facility — so couldn't know firsthand whether the Taliban were using it as a base — and sought the attack on the recommendation of Afghan forces, the official said.

Members of the unit have told Rep. Duncan Hunter, a California Republican who serves on the House Armed Services Committee, that they were unaware their target was a functioning hospital until the attack was over, said Joe Kasper, Hunter's spokesman.

Looking ahead, the strike raises questions about whether the U.S. military can rely on intelligence from Afghan allies in a war in which small contingents of Americans will increasingly fight with larger units of local forces.

Also at issue is how the target was vetted. American commanders, with sophisticated information technology at their disposal, allowed the strike to go forward despite reports in their databases that the hospital was functioning. Even if armed Taliban fighters had been hiding inside, the U.S. acknowledges it would not have been justified in destroying a working hospital filled with wounded patients.

Jailani, a 31-year-old mechanic who uses only one name, says he was at the hospital to see his brother-in-law, Ibrahim, who was admitted two days before the airstrike.

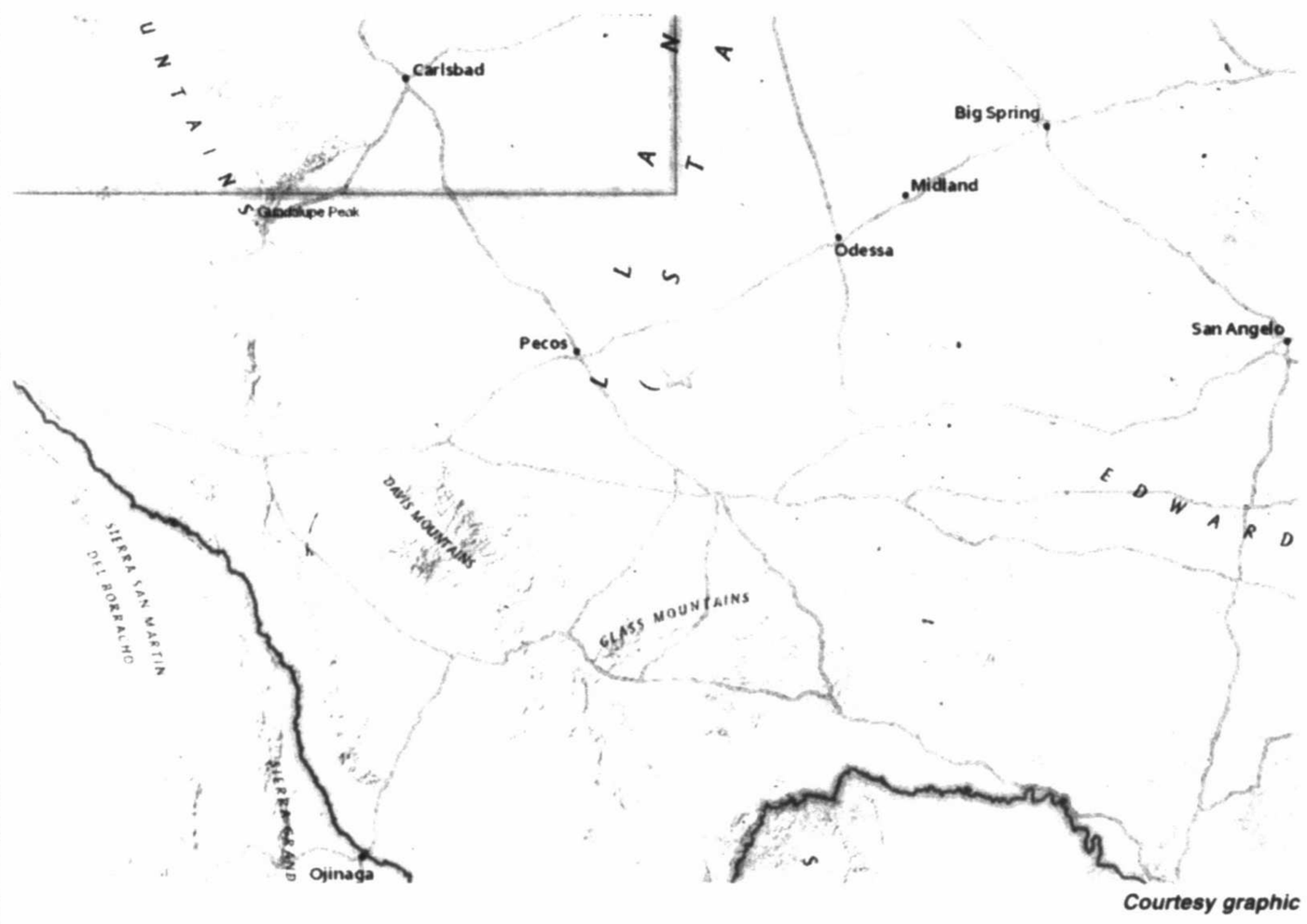
"On the day of the attack I was in the hospital from 9 a.m. until 5 a.m. During that time, the Taliban came in without guns, as patients or accompanying their patients, or sometimes they came to take their dead out," he said. "They did not have permission to enter the hospital with their guns."

President Barack Obama has apologized for the attack. The Pentagon has said it was a mistake that resulted from both human and technical errors, and it is investigating, along with NATO and the Afghan government.

"No other nation in the history of warfare has gone to the lengths we do to avoid civilian casualties," Pentagon spokesman Navy Capt. Jeff Davis said in a statement. "And when we make a mistake, we will not only own up to it, we will also scrutinize all of the facts to learn from them so that it never happens again."

The attack by an AC-130 gunship came after days of heavy fighting in the northern Afghanistan city. About 35 members of the 3rd Special Forces Group had been helping about 100 Afghan special forces soldiers retake Kunduz from the Taliban, the former U.S. intelligence official said. From their position in the governor's compound, they came under heavy assault by Taliban fighters, and sought to use air power to destroy the Taliban's remaining command and control nodes around the city.

The Afghans insisted the hospital was one of those command centers and urged that it be destroyed, the former official said.



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This map provided by the United States Geological Survey indicates where an earthquake struck in the southern Permian Basin on Tuesday. The earthquake is the 12th in the region this year.

QUAKE
From 1A

seismometers.

"We don't know up front where any kind of seismic activity may occur, so by having ... a permanent array ... our goal is to be able to measure anything greater than a magnitude of 2.0," Young said. "If an event occurs and it's of a certain size and in a certain area, and it's something that we want to look at, then we can deploy these other portable seismometers much faster, typically 24 to 48 hours later, so that we can measure the aftershocks."

The 22 permanent stations will supplement the pre-existing 16, which are owned and operated by the USGS or UT.

The stations will be installed throughout 2016 as lease agreements and other arrangements are finalized.

"We should be able to pick up seismic activity events anywhere in the world, so they're very accurate," Young said. "They'll be able to pick up seismic events that may happen in other states — they'll become part of this international array (of monitoring stations), but they'll also pick up high enough frequencies that we can pick up close-by events, too."

CONAWAY
From 1A

it would've gotten crop insurance destroyed as I know it," Conaway said. "(Crop insurance) was nationalized before 1981, and it was a disaster."

Conaway said in his speech and in an interview afterward that he felt "duty-bound" to explain his vote not to convince those who disagree, but to "assure them that I have a thoughtful, deliberate process that I go through in coming to a conclusion."

Conaway also discussed the upcoming budget reconciliation bill. Once a budget bill is passed, the majority party in Congress has one chance to pass a reconciliation bill to the president's desk needing only a 51-vote majority in the Senate, or not a single vote from the minority party.

The House passed on Nov. 6 a bill that would prohibit all Medicaid reimbursements for Planned Parenthood services, repeal a tax on premium health care plans and repeal the mandates requiring individuals to have health insurance and that employers provide it.

"One of the common threads I hear from many of you is, 'Put something on the president's desk. Make him veto things,'" Conaway said, garnering some applause from the crowd. "There is absolutely no downside to me as a House Republican to not put every single thing we could on the president's desk."

While Conaway said that Senate parliamentarian Elizabeth MacDonough has not told them if any of the provisions would be an overstep — meaning that the 51-vote rule would be replaced by the usual 60-vote requirement — he said the House would pass any Senate-amended bill "in a nanosecond."

"I have no hope (President Obama) will sign it," Conaway said. "He will veto it ... so it is political theater, but it's important theater and we need to do it."

In a question-and-answer session afterward, Conaway revealed that he did not yet support or oppose Obama's Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement, only that he and all affected parties would have plenty of time to analyze it because it would most likely not be voted on until next year.

After the luncheon, he also said that he disagreed with the president's decision to reject the Keystone XL pipeline, calling it pandering to environmental activists, as transporting oil through a pipeline "is less of a carbon footprint" and safer than transporting it via train.

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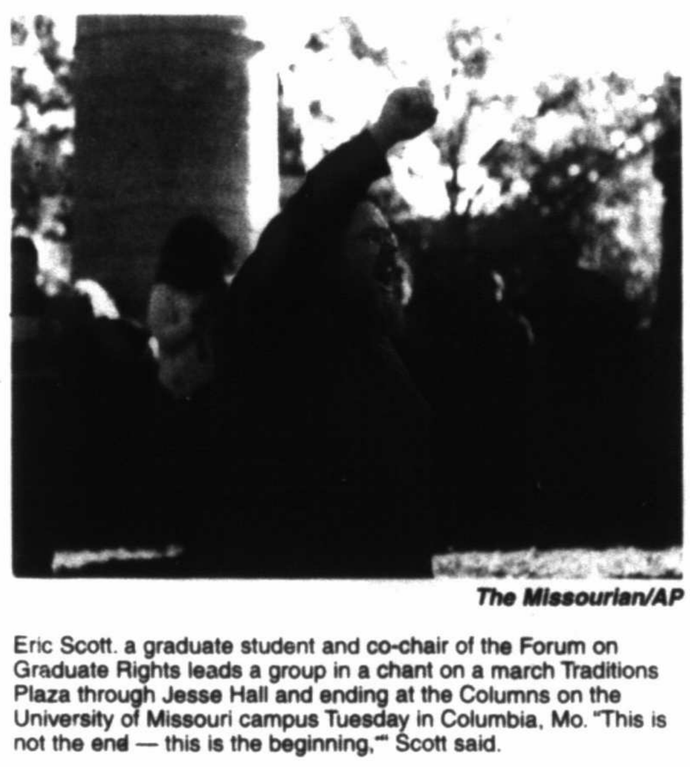
University of Missouri in midst of change after turmoil

By Jim Salter and Jim Suhr
Associated Press



The Missourian/AP

Eric Scott, a graduate student and co-chair of the Forum on Graduate Rights leads a group in a chant on a march Traditions Plaza through Jesse Hall and ending at the Columns on the University of Missouri campus Tuesday in Columbia, Mo. "This is not the end — this is the beginning," Scott said.

COLUMBIA, Mo. — After weeks of racial turmoil forced the departure of the University of Missouri system's president and the Columbia campus' chancellor, the university has assured parents and students via email that administrators "are working toward real, enduring change" benefiting minority students.

Here's a look at what has happened, and what's on the horizon:

Q: What happened?

Many students, faculty and staff have been upset with top administrators almost from the outset of the fall semester. The university announced it was eliminating subsidies that helped pay health insurance costs for graduate students, and the university later severed ties with Planned Parenthood after political pressure from Republican state lawmakers. While both of those matters were remedied, racial unrest, including slurs yelled from a pickup truck at the student body's black president, led to "Racism Lives Here" rallies on campus. Pressure from protesters helped lead to Monday's resignation of the University of Missouri system's president, Tim Wolfe, and the chancellor's decision to step down at the end of the year.

Q: What's the plan for filling administrative voids?

The university system's governing board has said an interim system president would be named soon, though there's no word about how quickly successors to Wolfe and Loftin may be named. The board planned to meet Wednesday but didn't say what topics the meeting will cover. Concerned Student 1950, the group behind the protests leading to Wolfe's departure, are demanding a say in those executive decisions.

Q: What is the university doing to improve the racial atmosphere?

Chuck Henson, associate dean for academic affairs and trial practice at the law school, was named Tuesday to the new position of interim vice chancellor for inclusion, diversity and equity on the Columbia campus, with similar positions to be created and filled on the system's other three campuses. The school already had announced plans to offer diversity training to all new students starting in January, and the system's governing board has promised a full review of other policies, more support for victims of discrimination and a more diverse faculty.

Q: How are Missouri politicians getting involved?

Members of the Missouri Legislative Black Caucus met Tuesday with protest organizers, including Concerned Student 1950 leaders, in the Columbia campus' black culture center.

"The issues going on up here are systemic," said state Rep. Brandon Ellington, a Kansas City Democrat and caucus chairman. "This is something that didn't happen overnight."

Concerned Student 1950 has said Democratic Gov. Jay Nixon, faculty representatives and the system's governing board will be given a list of the group's demands.

FanDuel: Operations will continue amid talks with lawman

By Jake Pearson
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The head of the daily fantasy sports website FanDuel told his New York customers Wednesday that they should keep on entering the company's contests, despite a warning from the state's attorney general that they amount to illegal gambling.

FanDuel's Nigel Eccles said its lawyers will try to persuade Attorney General Eric Schneiderman over the next five days that their business is lawful and that its 500,000 customers in the state should be able to keep playing.

It remains unclear what will happen when that time passes.

In cease-and-desist letters sent by Schneiderman's office Tuesday to New York-based-FanDuel and rival DraftKings, the state's top lawman said the companies were violating state gambling laws and offered games of chance, not skill.

He likened the companies' business models to the lottery, saying his office's one-month investigation revealed that the top 1 percent of players reaped the majority of winnings.

The letter cited criminal code but FanDuel's attorney, Marc Zwillinger, said the company believed Schneiderman's letter was a "prelude to a civil action." Zwillinger said company officials had received no "assurance or threats one way or the other" that criminal action would be taken.

The company has technology that would allow it to stop users in certain geographic areas from registering in contests, should they have to, Zwillinger said.

Echoing his letter, Schneiderman said Wednesday that his office could pursue litigation if the companies don't stop accepting play from New York.

"The legal process will move forward, and if they want to do it the hard way, they can do it the hard way," he said in an interview. "But we think the law is very clear."

Martha Coakley, a legal adviser to Boston-based DraftKings and a former Massachusetts attorney general, said Schneiderman's legal reasoning was wrong and the company is pursuing its options.

"We believe the legal analysis involved in this is flawed and that it was reached too hastily, without really looking at all the evidence," she said.

Daily fantasy sports has exploded in popularity in recent years, with games growing more quickly than more-established season-long fantasy sports leagues. Though other companies such as Yahoo and CBS offer daily fantasy sports games, DraftKings and FanDuel have become highly visible, thanks to an aggressive ad campaign ahead of the 2015 NFL football season.

In the games, participants pay entry fees and pick players to fill rosters in order to win money competing in contests against other sports buffs.

Both companies have said they support certain regulations and consumer protections but argue that legislatures should be the driving force.

NEWS BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

WASHINGTON

After 2-year wait, some adopted children reach US from Congo

After a wrenching delay of more than two years, a few American families celebrated on U.S. territory Wednesday with children adopted from Congo who were finally granted long-stalled exit permits.

There was a bittersweet welcoming ceremony at Dulles International Airport outside Washington, D.C., organized by some of the more than 400 U.S. families who will continue to wait. Congolese authorities recently approved exit permits for 14 children adopted by Americans, and for about 58 adopted by Canadian and European families. But more than 1,000 other adopted children will remain in Congolese orphanages and foster homes pending completion of a new adoption law.

At Dulles, some of those still-waiting parents were in tears, and held up photos of the children they've adopted.

Joyfully disembarking from the plane at Dulles were Jason and Jennefer Boyer of Sammamish, Washington, and their adopted sons Andre and Luke, who were offered tiny U.S. and Congolese flags by some of the welcoming crowd.

DALLAS

FAA says 3 planes hit by laser

The Federal Aviation Administration says three different planes were hit by a laser beam coming from an area near Dallas.

FAA spokesman Lynn Lunsford said the incidents happened Wednesday evening. A Southwest Airlines plane, Virgin America plane and private business jet were affected. All three were inbound to Dallas Love Field. Both airliners were coming from Austin.

Lunsford said the laser came from an area 11 miles southeast of Dallas. He says a law enforcement helicopter was sent to investigate.

He said the planes were at altitudes of between 3,000 and 4,000 feet.

An FBI campaign last year targeted the illegal use of laser pointers to distract airplanes. Authorities said at the time that instances of the crime had increased significantly since 2005, when federal officials first started keeping statistics.

A twist for Paris climate talks: Al Gore the optimist

By Seth Borenstein
Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tennessee — After decades of raising alarms about global warming, former Vice President Al Gore is now raising hopes.

As a top-level international climate summit starts later this month in Paris, Gore — who helped negotiate the 1997 climate treaty that didn't control the problem — is sure this time will be different.

"I'm optimistic," Gore said in a sit-down interview this week with The Associated Press. "We're going to win this. We need to win it faster because a lot of damage is being done day by day. We continue to put 110 million tons of global warming pollution into the atmosphere every 24 hours as if it's an open sewer."

In 35 minutes, Gore — portrayed by critics as a preacher of doom and gloom — uses versions of the words "optimistic" or "hopeful" or "positive" at least 16 times.

Even when he ticks off the alarming impacts of global warming, he finishes with a note of confidence.

"The number of extremely hot days has multiplied dramatically," Gore said. "The large downpours, floods, mudslides, the deeper and longer droughts, rising sea levels from the melting ice, forest fires, there's a long list of events that people can see and feel viscerally now. Every night on the television news is like a nature hike through the Book of Revelation."

But he added: "Increasingly people are connecting those dots. And even if they don't use the phrase climate crisis or global warming, more and more people are feeling that this is going to have to be addressed."

On Friday, Gore will take his mixed message of alarm and hope to Paris, a bit ahead of world leaders. He will host a 24-hour-telethon of sorts from the Eiffel Tower to raise awareness about global warming, featuring Elton John, French President Francois Hollande, actor Jared Leto, Energy Secretary Ernest Moniz, former United Nations chief Kofi Annan, actor Ryan Reynolds and California Gov. Jerry Brown.

But he said it's no longer just about convincing people to act — it now makes sense economically, too. He said solar and wind energy is dirt cheap — even free in Texas at certain hours. Businesses and developing countries are taking climate change seriously, he said.

"There really is a wave in corporate America moving rapidly toward a low carbon economy," Gore said.

Unlike the Kyoto treaty in 1997, which mandated emission cuts for rich nations but not poor, what's likely out of Paris won't require ratification by the U.S. Senate and is based on countries setting their own goals. And that, Gore insisted, is "more productive."

But is Gore, himself?

Dana Fisher, director of the Program for Society and the Environment at the University of Maryland, said Gore's "role is limited at this point. There was a moment in time when he was pushing a wave of attention." But now, she says, she didn't even know that Gore was organizing his Paris telethon.

"I never thought of him as central person in the climate movement," Fisher said.

Gore insists that he is. He said he's trained "many thousands" of activists and still consults with leaders in the U.S. and other governments at all levels. He plans to be at the Paris climate talks "until the last dog dies."

Some experts suggest Gore's stint as the public face of climate change activism — especially with his 2006 documentary "An Inconvenient Truth" — may have turned off some people because the messenger was so associated with Democratic politics.

"Climate change science is demonized because of Al Gore," said Erik Conway, a NASA historian who co-wrote the book "Merchants of Doubt." Conway doesn't fault Gore, but said, "If John McCain had become the titular leader of the climate change movement instead of Al Gore, we might have a different world."

But Naomi Oreskes, a Harvard historian who is a co-author of the book with Conway, disagrees. "He's become demonized because he is effective," she said.

For his part, Gore said, "Whoever becomes highly visible as a spokesman for change gets the slings and arrows and all of the anger directed at the messenger to try to get at the message."

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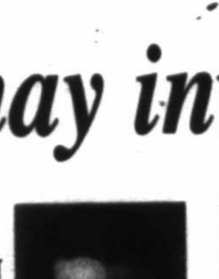
OPINION

Marco's moment may involve uniting Hispanics

■ Cubans and Mexicans haven't always seen eye to eye; Rubio might change that



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Washington Post Writers Group

Even with the media's fascination with the use of a government credit card, there is something you can take to the bank: This is Marco's moment.

Buoyed by solid debate performances, and the growing realization among GOP primary voters that Florida's junior senator may be the best natural communicator to seek the presidency in a generation, Marco Rubio is winning the buzz primary.

Rubio does his homework on policy issues, and probably sleeps with a briefing book under his pillow. He speaks with passion, exudes optimism and generates excitement. He is a young, fresh new face and has an inspiring life story that embodies the American Dream. Best of all, in a field of presidential hopefuls who seem to think that they are — because of wealth, success, experience or family legacy — entitled to the presidency, Rubio is clear on the fact that he owes America and not the other way around.

Yet can the U.S.-born son of Cuban immigrants inspire Mexican-American voters in the Southwest to support him?

We might have to wait until the general election to find out, if the 44-year-old makes it that far. The overwhelming majority of Mexican-Americans and naturalized Mexican immigrants are Democrats who can't vote in most Republican primaries.

Those Mexican-Americans or Mexicans who do get the chance to weigh in on Rubio will have to overcome an ugly anti-Cuban bigotry and resentment toward Cuban senators who want to crack down on illegal immigration to keep out people from Mexico and Central America but won't repeal the archaic 1966 Cuban Adjustment Act, which all but guarantees a path to citizenship to Cuban refugees who reach U.S. soil. Others, including many who initially admired Rubio, will have to look past the fact that they don't trust him anymore because he flip-flopped on whether undocumented young Dreamers should be allowed to stay and abandoned his own immigration bill as part of the Senate's Gang of Eight. While both Republicans and Democrats have correctly pointed out — usually when it serves their purpose — that immigration isn't always a top issue for Hispanics, respect still ranks high. And Rubio has not treated this issue with nearly enough respect.

This could all wind up being sorted out in a state where people aren't afraid to gamble. You can bet that somewhere, at the Miami headquarters of Rubio for President, there's a calendar with a red circle around the date Feb. 23.

That is the day of the Republican primary in Nevada, which just might be Rubio's first "win." If you believe the polls, Ben Carson will likely win in Iowa, and Donald Trump should win in New Hampshire and South Carolina.

But Rubio could still strike it rich in the Silver State, where he spent part of his childhood while his mother worked as a hotel maid and his father as a bartender. Latinos make up 28 percent of Nevada's population and a sizable chunk of the electorate. It's there that Rubio can chalk up a victory and seize the momentum before March 1 — the fabled "Super Tuesday" when 12 other states hold primaries.

And, it's in Nevada that Rubio might have an edge with Mexican-Americans and Mexicans. And not just because some of them, like my parents, are simply eager to vote for someone with a Spanish surname for president. When cultural pride and party loyalty collide, the outcome is a crapshoot.

Under normal circumstances, it might be difficult to get Mexican and Mexican-Americans excited about voting for a Cuban-American. Despite what it says in the brochure, Hispanics are not one big happy *familia*. Different subsets have different histories, experiences, interests and priorities. They're not enemies, but nor are they always simpatico. At best, these are distant relatives.

Yet this is a presidential election like no other. And, in this climate, to many Latinos, old feuds are likely to seem petty. Mexicans and Mexican-Americans have come to hate Trump with the heat of a thousand suns. And if the billionaire blowhard struts into Nevada with a pair of victories under his belt, his critics will be out to stop him — even if it means closing ranks with Cuban-Americans.

It's right about then that we can expect yard signs to pop up in Mexican and Mexican-American neighborhoods bearing a defiant message: "Viva Rubio!"

And just like that, the deck gets reshuffled. And it'll be a whole new game.

OUR VIEW

Picture says thousand words about role faith still plays in our city

Late Friday, we put a picture on our Facebook page of Midland High and Lee football players gathering for a pre-game prayer. We thought it would make an impact. We didn't realize how great that impact would be.

The picture and ensuing coverage resulted in more than 340,000 people reached on Facebook, nearly 5,700 Facebook likes and more than 1,900 Facebook shares — all staggering statistics for MRT Media Group.

We welcome the attention because the message behind the prayer photo — as Lee coach James Morton said — was "very powerful and a good testimony."

"It gives everyone a sense that there is a bigger picture out there and it helps get people focused on what's really important," he said.

We can link reaction to that picture to some of the news of the day being made around our country. A coach in Oregon was suspended by a school district for participating in a post-game prayer. We expect the legal system will show his freedom of expression did not violate any students' rights.

For the record, the group prayer, according to Midland High coach Craig Yenzer, was the idea of one of his players — junior running back Nick Hernandez.

We aren't going to make a connection between this and the Starbucks red coffee cup debate. That, in our view, is a faux scandal.

We will make a connection to comments that U.S. Rep. Mike Conaway made Wednesday to the Midland County Republican Women. He asked the MCRW gathering, when we pray "What do we ask God to bless?" It's a legitimate question. Our nation and our world aren't easy places to live. Technology distracts us. People wish to do harm not just to believers around the world, but to people of many religions and other ways of life. We are divided on many fronts.

There is nothing wrong with Midlanders congregating to pray. Faith plays a big part in the lives of a large section of our community, and that's a good thing, no matter one's religion or place of worship.

For those in our community who may be offended by what took place on the football field before the crosstown rivalry game, we aren't sure what to say. Participation wasn't forced, and no one's rights were violated. That being said, we need fewer road blocks to one's spiritual well-being — no matter their belief system — not more. And judging by a community's interest in a picture on social media, there are plenty of people interested in clearing the obstacles.

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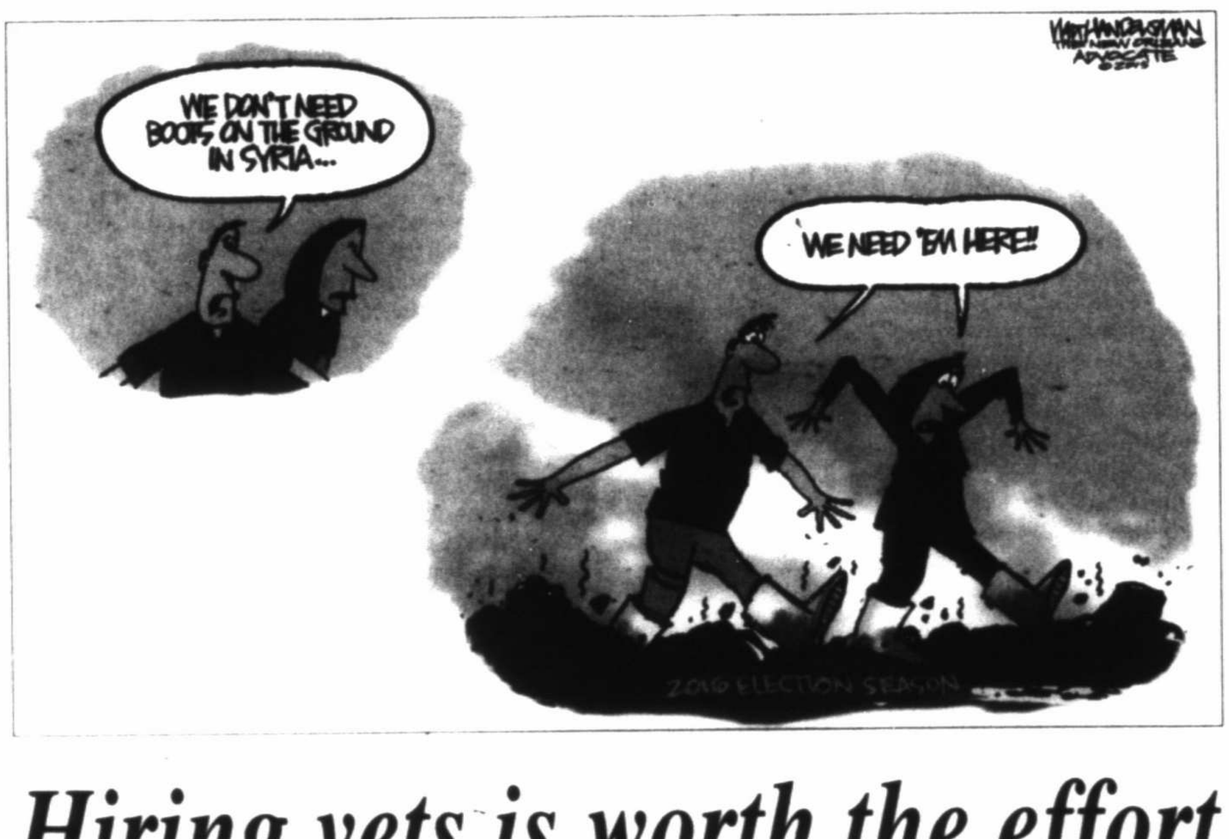

Hiring vets is worth the effort

■ It's a good time for employers to pledge to hire more veterans

CHRIS TOMLINSON
Houston Chronicle

Transitioning from military to civilian life is one of the toughest challenges anyone can face. Leaving the structure of the military is particularly tough for young men and women who served in the enlisted ranks. Many left their parents' home following high school and moved directly into the barracks.

The military gives service members enormous responsibilities at a young age and rewards merit. It also provides food, shelter and a culture that honors service and work ethic.

When a young man or woman takes off the uniform for the last time, they not only lose a paycheck, but a way of life and, too often, their self-esteem. The grief that follows is akin to losing a beloved family member.

I know because I went through it 25 years ago. I was a 24-year-old sergeant when I left the Army after seven years in signals intelligence.

This Veterans Day, employers should go beyond the routine salute and pledge to hire more veterans. Employers need to train managers to recognize what demobilization requires and how to get the most out of hiring a vet.

"They are searching for a sense of mission, a sense of self again, of camaraderie and belonging," said Kevin Barber, president and founder of Veteran Energy, a Houston retail electricity company dedicated to employing and helping veterans. "An organization that can create that will have a much happier employee and they'll have buy-in."

About 53 percent of post-9/11 vets will experience unemployment within 15 months of separation. Veterans in the 18-24 age group experience an unemployment rate of 17 percent compared to the national average of 12.1 percent, according to the U.S. Veteran's Administration. Former enlisted personnel have a much tougher time than officers.

Texas employers, though, do better than most. The state had 927,000 veterans in the work force in 2014, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and 38,000 were unemployed. But 13,000 of those were post-9/11 vets, who have a much higher jobless rate of 5.2 percent.

Too many employers talk about hiring vets but fall victim to misinformed stereotypes. The media often focuses on vets who are broken and need our help, and quite rightfully. But the vast majority of vets are physically and mentally healthy and ready to work.

Vets aren't any more difficult to hire than a civilian, they just have different life experiences, said Ciara Major of SER-Jobs for Progress, a Houston non-profit that helps employers understand vets. Since most managers have not served in the military, they don't know what they are getting.

"People who have served prefer structure and direct instructions, but they can also be great leaders in the workforce," Major said.

Military culture in some ways puts a vet at a disadvantage in the civilian workplace. Humility is valued over self-promotion , initiative is encouraged over inaction, accepting responsibility is rewarded over spreading blame.

The biggest misunderstanding usually involves an employer underestimating a vet's capabilities and experience, leaving them feeling underemployed and unappreciated. In Iraq, I watched 25 year-old sergeants lead a dozen troops on combat patrols, negotiate with community leaders and make life-and-death decisions that most civilians twice their age can't fathom.

"Every one of these young men and women operated successfully in extreme and stressful conditions," Barber said. "It's not that employers are talking down to them intentionally, it's that vets are used to an operational tempo that is much higher than the civilian counterpart that they are talking to. You go from 100 miles per hour to zero, and it takes a toll."

Barber was an Army military policeman from 1983-1990, and counsels vets that a civilian job will never provide them the sense of duty and belonging that the military did.

"This company is not going to adapt to you, you need to adapt to this company," Barber regularly tells veterans.

Large employers organize veteran networks where older vets can counsel new hires in making the adjustment. Smaller employers can contact the Lone Star Veterans Association.

"Everyone wants to say they hire veterans and say they will do all this stuff, but they need to put in the extra miles to understand the ethos of the returning warrior," he added.

Once employed, post-9/11 veterans thrive.

They are more financially successful than non-veterans , earning $3,030 more on average in 2013, the last year for which the VA has data. Women, African-American and Hispanic veterans earn significantly more than their non-veteran peers.

A company that trains managers to successfully hire and develop vets is easily paid back five-fold. Others can generate the same kind of return, if they make the effort.

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No breakouts in GOP debate; muddled status quo

By Steve Peoples
Associated Press

■ ANALYSIS

WASHINGTON — Marco Rubio emerged unscathed. Ben Carson defended his integrity. Donald Trump flashed his dominant personality. And Jeb Bush avoided disaster.

Mission accomplished.

Aided by tentative questioning, the GOP's top presidential candidates executed their strategies with little resistance in Tuesday night's prime-time debate. Yet with no breakout moments — good or bad — the muddled status quo continues in the Republican Party's unruly 2016 contest, with time running out to change voters' minds heading into the holiday season.

That's good news for leading outsiders Trump and Carson, who have surprised the political world with remarkable staying power atop national polls. It's also good news for a surging Rubio, who entered the night with a target on his back and avoided any stumbles.

The status quo is not as good for Bush, the onetime establishment favorite now clinging to his political life.

The former Florida governor lived to fight another day after Tuesday's performance. But he was overshadowed at times by another pragmatic-minded executive, Ohio Gov. John Kasich, who stepped on Bush's opportunities and gave nervous supporters another reason to question Bush's New Hampshire-focused comeback attempt.

Bush's best moments came early in the night as he showed a feistier side with moderators, who ignored him for the first 15 minutes.

"You've already made two comments, John," Bush said to Kasich, who is challenging Bush in New Hampshire. "It's my turn."

But Bush did not stand out on a night that featured just eight candidates on the main stage, two fewer than the last debate. He answered the fewest questions and had less airtime than anyone except Rand Paul, according to an AP clock.

In his limited time, Bush aggressively criticized Democrats' leadership on the economy.

"My worry is that the real economy has been hurt by the vast overreach of the Obama administration," Bush declared. "And Hillary Clinton, she wants to double down on that."

If Bush did well Tuesday night, however, Rubio did better.

Bush and the rest of the field completely ignored questions raised this week about Rubio's use of a Florida GOP credit card during his time in the state legislature. The Rubio campaign had released two years of spending reports just days earlier.

And none of the candidates — or moderators — engaged Rubio when the discussion shifted to immigration, considered a key vulnerability among conservatives who oppose Rubio's plan to give immigrants in the country illegally a pathway to citizenship.

Instead, Rubio was free to outline his calls for a strong national defense and describe his moving personal story — standard campaign trail talking points delivered uninterrupted before a national television audience.

Immediately after the debate, news surfaced that Rubio had won over a major new donor. New York hedge fund manager Cliff Asness told Rubio's campaign he was spreading the word to other influential donors that he was backing the Florida senator.

As the Rubio-Bush dynamic continued unchanged, so did the standing of Carson and Trump.

Carson, a retired neurosurgeon, entered the night with a plan to defend his record more aggressively. He had faced intense questions about his personal story in recent days, but was given a free pass on the issue Tuesday night.

"People who know me know I'm an honest person," Carson told the debate audience, flashing humor as he thanked moderators for "not asking me what I said in the 10th grade."

But Carson struggled at times to demonstrate a command of policy — stating erroneously, for example, that Chinese troops are in Syria. But such mistakes have mattered little to conservative supporters who blamed the media for his recent challenges. Campaign manager Barry Bennett said during the debate that Carson raised $6 million this month alone — more than several candidates raised over the entire last quarter.

Trump, whose tell-it-like-it-is personality is perhaps his best asset, entered the night having been at or near the top of the polls for several months. He did little to change that, occasionally jabbing his rivals and appealing to hardline conservatives who support his plan to deport millions of immigrants in the country illegally.

He also backed off his criticism of Bush and Rubio almost completely. On the eve of the debate, he called Rubio "a lightweight" on Twitter and attacked his immigration plan. Trump avoided both topics Tuesday night and instead endorsed Rubio's plan to strengthen the nation's military.

The absence of a game-changing moment deepens the sense of uncertainty over the Republican Party's 2016 field. With the next debate set for Dec. 15, the candidates won't have another prime-time opportunity to reach voters for more than a month.

And it will only get harder to capture voters' attention with the holiday season rapidly approaching and television airwaves getting filled with conflicting campaign ads.

Trump touts program with dark history as deportation model

By Jill Colvin
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — As proof that he can successfully and humanely deport the estimated 11 million people living in the country illegally, Republican presidential contender Donald Trump often touts the efforts of the Eisenhower administration in the 1950s.

He did so again in this week's Republican debate, saying "you don't get nicer, you don't get friendlier" than President Dwight D. Eisenhower. "They moved 1.5 million out," the billionaire real estate mogul said. "We have no choice. We have no choice."

But the program to which Trump refers, known as "Operation Wetback," was a complicated undertaking largely viewed by historians as a dark moment in America's past. Also lost in Trump's telling is that it coincided with a guest worker program that provided legal status to hundreds of thousands of largely Mexican farm workers.

"He's only got part of the story," said Mae Ngai, a professor of history at Columbia University.

The operation was named after a term for Mexicans who crossed the Rio Grande that is now viewed a racial slur. The 1954 initiative was aimed at apprehending and deporting agricultural workers who had crossed the border illegally looking for work.

According to a summary of the project from the Texas State Historical Association, the United States Border Patrol "aided by municipal, county, state, and federal authorities, as well as the military, began a quasi-military operation of search and seizure of all unauthorized immigrants."

The project, Ngai said, began with 750 immigration officers and border control agents, who used jeeps, trucks, buses and airplanes to apprehend migrants nationwide, including in Los Angeles, San Francisco and Chicago. They apprehended 3,000 people a day and 170,000 during its first three months.

In an interview Wednesday morning on MSNBC's "Morning Joe," Trump indicated he would take a similar approach. "You're going to have a deportation force, and you're going to do it humanely," he said.

Critics of the program say the conditions for those the agents apprehended were anything but humane. Many of the apprehended migrants were transported in crowded buses and dumped on the other side of the border in a manner some at the time equated with the treatment of livestock.

In one incident, Ngai said, 88 apprehended Mexicans died of sunstroke after being subjected to 112-degree heat. The number would have been higher had the Red Cross not intervened.

Some of those apprehended were sent deep into the interior of Mexico to prevent re-entry by train or cargo ship, where conditions drew the attention of federal regulators.

One congressional investigation likened a transport ship that was the site of a riot to an "eighteenth century slave ship" and a "penal hell ship."

Trump touted the approach as a virtue of Eisenhower-era program in Tuesday night's debate.

"Moved a 1.5 million illegal immigrants out of this country, moved them just beyond the border. They came back. Moved them again beyond the border, they came back. Didn't like it," Trump said. "Moved them way south. They never came back."

Trump also leaves out of his advocacy for the Eisenhower-era approach the fact the program was developed to complement a guest worker program that began in the 1940s and was aimed at allowing Mexican farmworkers to enter the country and work in the U.S. legally.

Hundreds of thousands of farm workers did so, and the deportation effort was conceived as a way to pressure employers into using the guest worker program.

"It was like a carrot and a stick," Ngai said.

While Trump has put the number of deportations at 1.5 million, most accounts suggest the numbers are far fewer, because they included those who chose to leave the country voluntarily as well as people who returned after being deported and were deported again.

Trump has yet to lay out precisely how he would track down those living in the country illegally, or how he would determine who are "the good ones" that he would allow to return. Both John Kasich, Ohio's governor, and Jeb Bush, the former governor of Florida, rejected Trump's plan on Tuesday night as unrealistic and cruel.

"To send them back, 500,000 a month, is just not, not possible," Bush said. "And it's not embracing American values. And it would tear communities apart. And it would send a signal that we're not the kind of country that I know America is."

Carson comes up short on specifics

By Nancy Benac and Calvin Woodward
Associated Press

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Republican Presidential candidate Dr. Ben Carson speaks at Liberty University in Lynchburg, Va., on Wednesday.

WASHINGTON — Ben Carson got the chance he wanted to talk substance in the latest Republican debate. Be careful what you ask for.

In his turns at the microphone, the popular political neophyte bobbled more than a few facts, struggled for coherence at times and offered a nearly blank slate on what he'd do as president about the Islamic State, big banks and other leading issues of the day.

The economy-focused debate gave the eight candidates a platform to lay out their policy in more detail than before, and Carson was hardly alone in making some flubs. But for a candidate who was overshadowed by louder rivals in past debates and slammed the focus in recent days on his biography, the forum laid bare a largely details-to-come policy agenda.

On Syria and Iraq, Carson proposed both making Islamic State militants "look like losers" and destroying them, leaving unstated whether he would go after them with propaganda or ground troops. He inveighed against banking regulations while indicating he would head off another financial crisis with new, though unspecified, regulation. His flat tax ideas remain a concept with a few key elements, but a formal plan still to come.

At least to those drawn to his candidacy, "Carson communicated trustworthiness," said Kathleen Hall Jamieson, director of the University of Pennsylvania's Annenberg Public Policy Center. "He communicated likability. He had greater difficulty communicating a command of the issues."

A closer look at Carson's answers to questions that came his way.

Islamic State

The Republican pack has those who would go after the Islamic State more directly than President Barack Obama, and those who shy away from more intervention. Then there is Carson, largely a mystery on how best to confront the threat and where — Iraq, Syria, both or beyond.

Early in the campaign, Carson spoke in favor of a U.S.-led combat role. In other settings, he's called for the U.S. to continue its current limited engagements in the region and its assistance for Syrian insurgent forces — in effect endorsing Obama's course even while criticizing it for being ineffective.

He also favors a no-fly zone in Syria, in general agreement with several GOP rivals and Democratic front-runner Hillary Rodham Clinton.

But the debate added little to those outlines. "I think in order to make them look like losers, we have to destroy their caliphate," he said. And, "I've learned from talking to several generals" that taking control of energy resources now in ISIS hands outside of Anbar, Iraq, could be done "fairly easily." He did not say who would challenge ISIS for that control or how.

"And then you move on from there," he said.

Under the microscope

Carson was asked about possible inconsistencies in his life story. He said he had "no problem with being vetted. What I do have a problem with is being lied about." He suggested that other candidates, "like people on the other side," were getting easier treatment, singling out Clinton.

"We have to start treating people the same, and finding out what people really think and what they're made of," he said.

The idea that Clinton hasn't been subjected to intense scrutiny is head-scratching. She spent 11 hours last month testifying about the 2012 attacks in Benghazi, Libya, in the latest of eight congressional investigations into the matter. Clinton's use of a personal email account and server while secretary of state was uncovered by the mainstream media Carson criticizes for looking at his story.

Few figures in modern American politics have had their life story and career examined with such gusto as has the former first lady, ex-New York senator and two-time presidential candidate, dating back decades to the time of Whitewater and her doings at the Rose Law Firm in Arkansas.

Taxes

Carson was questioned about his bare-bones plan to replace the current tax code with a flat tax of up to 15 percent. While many of the details are still TBD, he did offer one additional nugget when he said he would provide some sort of "rebate" for poor people.

There remain unanswered questions about who would qualify for the rebate, what Carson would count as income, how he'd treat investment income and how he'd address corporate income, among other things.

"He was on the lean side" in providing details, said Roberton Williams, a senior fellow at the nonpartisan Tax Policy Center, a joint project of the nonpartisan Brookings Institution and Urban Institute.

Based on what's known of Carson's tax plan so far, Williams said, "we do know that people at the top of the income distribution would make out like bandits" and a substantial chunk of the population below them would pay more.

Carson aides say he will introduce a detailed tax-and-budget plan in coming weeks.

About the banks

To a question about whether the nation's biggest banks should be broken up, Carson called for "policies that don't allow them to just enlarge at the expense of smaller entities." He then launched into a critique of the "stampede of regulations" and said, "If we can get that out, it makes a big difference." He finished the point by again speaking of new policies in the financial sector, seeming to endorse a regulatory solution while at the same time complaining about excessive rules.

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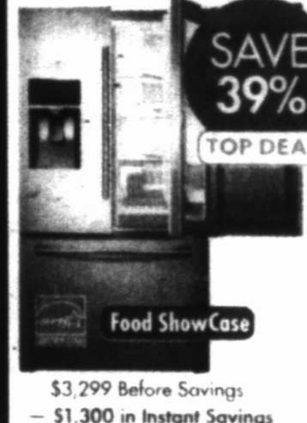

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HOPS TO IT West Texas Public Radio hosts Beers of the Basin craft beer festival at The Willows in Odessa with food trucks, music, photo booth and beer. $35. iowt.org/beer.

DANCE FLICK Lincoln Center at the Movies presents Ballet Hispanico on the big screen performing "CARMEN.maquia" and "Club Havana" at Regal Tall City. 7 p.m. fathomevents.com.

FRIDAY

ALL RELATIVE Museum of the Southwest host Dan DeLong of XCOR Aerospace for its Relativity Lecture series at the Blakemore Planetarium. 6 p.m. Free.

ROPE IT UP The 2015 Pro Armed Forces Rodeo Association World Finals return to Midland at the Horsehoe through Saturday.

SATURDAY

FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS Hindu Association of West Texas hosts its annual Diwali celebration with authentic Indian cuisine and folk dances at Horseshoe Pavilion. $25.

SUNDAY

UNDER THE SEA Midland Community Theatre begins auditions for "Disney's The Little Mermaid" with youth auditions followed by adult auditions Monday and Tuesday. mctmidland.org.

See complete schedule of weekend events on Page 2.

MOVIES

Films opening and closing this week at Midland theaters:

TALL CITY 14
Opening: "Love the Coopers," "My All American," "The 33."
Closing: "Our Brand is Crisis," "The Last Witch Hunter."

CINERGY CINEMAS
Opening: "Love the Coopers," "My All – American," "The 33."
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BIG SKY DRIVE-IN
Opening: "My All American."
Closing: "The Martian," "Paranormal Activity: The Ghost Dimension."

STAYING IN? Find out which movies are worth watching from the comfort of your couch. Page 4

Archuleta redefines music outlook

By Rich Lopez
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Extended breaks in pop music can go either way. Fans either move on to the next big thing or wait with anticipation for the follow-up album. Neither of that swayed David Archuleta. After a two-year sabbatical, the "American Idol" alum returned with an entirely different outlook on music.

In 2012, Archuleta left for South America for a missionary trip for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Upon his return in 2014, there was speculation if he'd return to music. He put that to rest with a number of live dates, including his concert tonight at the Wagner Noel.

"Coming back to a live show, I was almost wondering if I want to do this," he said. "I didn't know if I did. Now I want people to come out but I want them to feel fulfilled with something."

This lends to his new attitude toward music. After his mission, something changed in Archuleta. Before he followed the formulaic approach to being a pop star. Now, he's redefining his career.

"It's a different experience now because I have a different perspective and motivation. Spending that time away from everything, it gave me purpose and also made me realize what I love most about music," he said.

What he loves is the impact music can have.

These days, he's using music to have conversations with his audience and encapsulate an experience. He talks about his shows as something just shy of watching a motivational speaker.

But really, Archuleta sounds like he doesn't want to waste time with a meaningless set list.

"My music feels more personal now and I love being able to give that to people," he said. "I lost myself trying to make everyone happy before and I was numb. Now, I pay attention to how I feel and I think that comes out. I have a new song about that whole experience."

This should answer any questions about Archuleta releasing new music. He just doesn't elaborate on a new album or release dates.

He said that living according to what's most important to him is a priority. By doing so, he can deliver a new and improved David Archuleta.

"I want people to have a good time and have fun singing along to my songs," he said. "But I also want people to be motivated to be the best of themselves. That's my goal now."

IF YOU GO

David Archuleta, Gracie Schram, 7:30 p.m. today at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $24-44. Wagnernoel.com.

'Peter Pan' bad guys are all good

By Rich Lopez
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Hook and Smee in "Peter Pan" are truly characters made for each other. Hook's dominant personality fits perfectly with Smee's undying loyalty. They're an ideal match.

The same may be said about the actors portraying the bad guys against actor Jena Tumlin's title character in Midland Community Theatre's production of "Peter Pan." The musical opens Friday and runs through Dec. 19.

"This has been a very fun working

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REVIEW

Mavericks' 'Christmas Belles' brings holiday cheer

By Rich Lopez
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Mary Lou Cassidy said that the Maverick Players never advertise meat in their shows, just fun. She has a knack for zingers, but this philosophy is key to the theater company — and for their new show "Christmas Belles."

Playwrights Jessie Jones, Nicholas Hope and Jamie Wooten introduced theater-goers to the Futrelle Sisters from the fictional town of Fayro, Texas with a trilogy of plays. For the Mavericks, this has been a good thing. The troupe staged "Dearly Beloved," the first of the series in 2015 and they have followed through with this second chapter.

Misty Muesing, Kristi Culbert and Cindy Oglesby return as the three sisters — each with major life obstacles that get in the way of staging the annual holiday pageant at the Tabernacle of the Lamb.

The outlandish and ridiculous story was right up the Mavericks' alley, and a healthy supporting cast kept the laughs in full supply.

Trudie Thomason, Gary Simmons and Gloria Stephenson also returned to this chapter in fine form.

Thomason was solid throughout as Geneva Musgrave and her impeccable timing always resulted in a laugh. Stephenson displayed

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Wolfe thrives on an indie country spirit

By Rich Lopez
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If country music didn't work out for Jon Wolfe, real estate was his backup. It's funny to think that was a decision he was figuring out this year. But when his third album "Natural Man" debuted at No. 25 on Billboard in March, he determined real estate would have to wait a little longer.

As it turned out, 2015 hasn't been a bad year at all for Wolfe a strong new album with charting singles, his tour, which comes to Midland's Hacienda Event Center Saturday, and a new Christmas recording. Wolfe is clearly in the throes of hustling his music career rather than the apathy he was feeling not so long ago.

"It's good to keep some fresh stuff out there and so I wanted to do this John Denver cover for the holidays," he said. "I went through a bit of a lull in my career and it got scary because I was seeing a bunch of struggles. But 2015 has been a banner year."

That lull was a result of his time with Warner Brothers. The label took his sophomore album "It All

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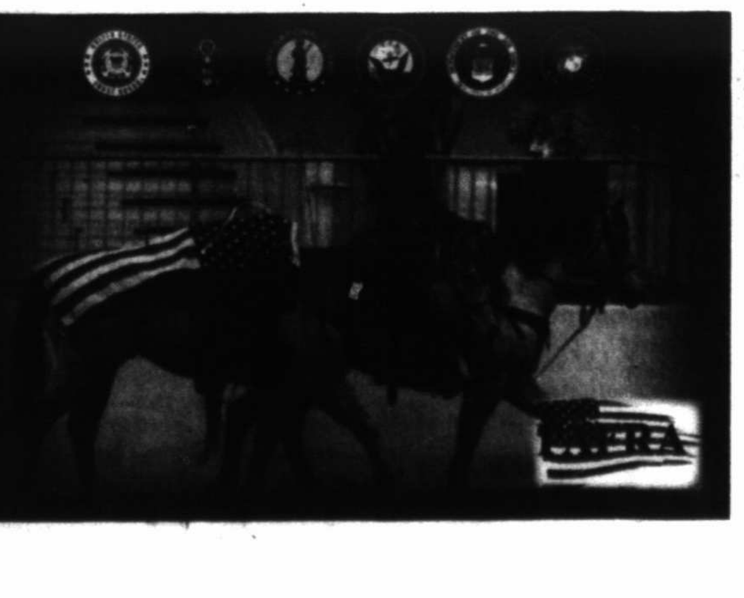

CALENDAR

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

MUSIC

David Archuleta, 8 p.m. today at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $26-$46. wagnernoel.com.

Ted Rosenthal Trio presented by West Texas Jazz Society. 7:30 p.m. Friday at Rea-Greathouse Recital Hall at Wagner Noel, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $30, Students $5. wtjs.org.

Gary Kyle, 8 p.m Friday at Firewater Bar and Grill, 3113 W. Industrial Ave. firewaterbarandgrilltx.com.

The Electric Cowboys, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday at The Bar, 606 W. Missouri Ave.

Jenna McDaniel, 9 p.m. Friday at Beer Garden at Garden View, 7112 West Highway. midlandbeergarden.com.

Prophets and Outlaw, 8 p.m. Saturday at Fire Water Bar and Grill, 3113 W. Industrial Ave. firewaterbarandgrilltx.com.

Ghost Town Blues Band headlines Tall City Blues Fest's Wang Dang Doodle. 8 p.m. Saturday at The Reserve Lounge in the Doubletree Hilton, 117 W. Wall St. $20.

The Manhattan Transfer, 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $24-$44. wagnernoel.com.

"Dusk to Dawn" featuring music by Aaron Copland, Thomas Morley and more performed by the Allegro Chorale. 7 p.m. Saturday at Rea-Greathouse Hall at Wagner Noel, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $10. facebook.com/Allegro-Chorale-and-Orchestra

Jon Wolfe, Hunter Hutchinson, 8 p.m. Saturday at Hacienda Event Center, 12600 Highway 191. $10. haciendamidland.com.

Callahan Divide, 9 p.m. Saturday at Beer Garden at Garden View, 7112 West Highway. midlandbeergarden.com.

ART & DANCE

The Art of Ana Colomo and SJ Navage through Nov. 30 at Kamiposi, 510 S. Big Spring St. facebook.com/kamiposi.

Fall Art Exhibit featuring artists from ArtQuest, ArtiZen, Midland Arts Association and Palette Club of Midland. Through Dec. 10. Midland Shared Spaces Gallery, 3500 N. A St. midlandss.org.

"Apparat" features works by 13 artists. Through Feb. 14, 2016. Ballroom Marfa, 108 E. San Antonio St. ballroommarfa.org.

GAMES & SPORTS

2015 Professional Armed Forces Rodeo, Friday and Saturday at Horseshoe Arena, 2514 Arena Trail. $12-$125. pafra2000.com.

OSW: Riders on the Storm will feature Old School Wrestling champion Charlie Haas. 5 p.m. Saturday at Wilson-Young Middle School, 601 E. 38th St., Odessa. $10-$25. $3 from each ticket goes toward the Wilson-Young Girls Athletic Program. Tickets available at Endless Horizons. facebook.com/OSW.Wrestling.

Friday Night Magic at Hastings, 3111 W. Cuthbert Ave. Fridays at 7 p.m. Free.

Hold 'em poker tournaments, 7 p.m. Friday at The Detour.

Senior bingo, 10 a.m. Fridays at Cimarron House.

Free skateboarding lessons, noon-1:30 p.m. Saturdays at RTD Skatepark. rtdskatepark.com.

Tabletop players group at Astral Castle, 10 Meta Drive. Saturdays at 2:30 p.m.

Family Nite roller skating, Sundays from 2-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. at KC's Nutty Roller, 1004 A Andrews Highway. kcsnuttyroller.com.

Live Trivia, 7 pm. Tuesdays at Basin Burger House.

Live Trivia by Challenge Entertainment. 8 p.m. Wednesdays at Torino's. challengeentertainment.com.

THEATER, COMEDY & FILM

"Peter Pan" opens Friday and runs through Dec. 19 at Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. $28 adults, $20 youth and seniors. mctmidland.org.

"The Outsiders." Directed by Amber McDonald, the classic novel by S. E. Hinton comes to the the stage. Performances at 7:30 p.m. Opens Thursday and runs through Nov. 21. The Globe Theatre, 2308 Shakespeare Road, Odessa. $15. globesw.org.

Auditions: "Disney's The Little Mermaid" by Midland Community Theatre. Youth auditions Nov. 15; adults auditions Nov. 16-17. Scripts are available for check out. Call 432-682-2544 for more information. mctmidland.org.

Battle Roasters 3 is the only battle comedy roast in West Texas. 8 p.m. Friday at Kamiposi, 510 S. Big Spring St. $5. facebook.com/kamiposi.

"Christmas Belles" by the Maverick Players. Open Friday and runs through Nov. 22. VFW Hall, 409 Veterans Airpark Lane. $15. $10 Sunday matinees. maverickplayers.org.

"School House Rock Live Jr!," opens Friday and runs through Nov. 15 at Permian Playhouse, 310 W. 42nd St., Odessa. permianplayhouse.com.

EVENTS

Relativity Lecture: XCOR Aerospace. Dan DeLong, co-founder and hardware design lead for XCOR Aerospace speaks on his work and the plans for the future of spaceflight. 6 p.m. Friday at Blakemore Planetarium, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. Free. museumsw.org.

Heavenly Holidays will feature a bake sale, vendors, animal rescue and more. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday at St. Nicholas Episcopal Church, 4000 W. Loop 250 N..

Holiday Marketplace will feature live music, refreshments and a selection of vendors. Proceeds benefit local food banks, soup kitchens and veterans support. 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday. American Legion Post 19, 501 Veterans Airpark Lane.

FAMILY FUN

Santa Claus visits Midland from 2-5 p.m. Sunday at Miss Cayce's Christmas Store, 1012 Andrews Highway. caycechristmasstore.com.

Fiddlesticks Farms is open for its eighth season and features its famous maze among other activities. Through Nov. 21. Saturdays 10 a.m.-6 p.m. 610 E County Road 120. $12. fiddlesticksfarms.com.

Storytime for preschool, 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays at Barnes and Noble Booksellers. barnesandnoble.com.

COMING SOON

NOVEMBER

Champagne Tasting Event featuring six champagnes with food pairing by Bill's Bistro. 6:30 p.m. Monday at The Wine Rack, 4610 N. Garfield St. $90 per person. Reservations can be made by calling 570-9463.

Auditions: "American Idiot" is the rock musical based on the popular Green Day album of the same name. Auditioners will read scenes but must come with a rock, pop or Broadway-type song prepared that shows vocal range. The musical runs in March. 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday. The Globe Theatre, 2308 Shakespeare Road, Odessa.

Lunch and Lecture featured James W. Ward, PH.D., P.G. The assistant professor of geology at Angelo State University will speak on his rangeland reclamation research project. Lunch is encouraged. Refreshments provided. 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at The Petroleum Museum, 1500 I-20 West. Free. petroleummuseum.org.

The Band McGraw, 8 p.m. Tuesday at Redneck's Drafthouse, 2215 Midland Drive. facebook.com/rednecksdrafthousebilliards.

The Fine Constant, Sirens, Strange Wool, 8 p.m. Wednesday at Kamiposi, 510 S. Big Spring St. $10. BYOB. All ages. facebook.com/kamiposi.

MOSC: Permian Basin String Quartet brown bag concert. The PBSQ will perform pieces by Beethoven and Shostakovich. 11:45 a.m. Nov. 19 at ClayDesta Atrium, 6 Desta Drive. MOSC.org.

Authors and Appetizers featuring readings by local authors. 6-8 p.m. Nov. 19. ArtiZen Outlet, 436 Andrews Highway. facebook.com/permianbasinbookies.

Don Williams, 8 p.m. Nov. 19 at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. $45-$65. wagnernoel.com.

MOSC: Permian Basin String Quartet plays the fifth concert of their Late Beethoven Project featuring Beethoven Op. 130 and Shostakovich Op. 118. 3 p.m. Nov. 22. Rea-Greathouse Hall at Wagner Noel, 1310 N. FM 1788. $14. MOSC.org.

Cory Michael, Chris Brazeal Band, 8 p.m. Nov. 20 at Fire Water Bar and Grill, 3113 W. Industrial Ave. firewaterbarandgrilltx.com.

Moneyshot Band, 8 p.m. Nov. 20 and 21 at The Bar, 606 W. Missouri Ave.

La Mafia, Super Odisea, Ben Uzuna, 8 p.m. Nov. 20 at Hacienda Event Center, 12600 Highway 191.. haciendamidland.com.

Creed Fisher, 8 p.m. Nov. 20 at Redneck's Drafthouse, 2215 Midland Drive. redneckdrafthouse.com.

Mike Hernandez Band, Eddie Arteaga. 9 p.m. Nov. 20 at Riley's Bar and Grill, 3421 W. Wall St.

Tejas Brothers, 8 p.m. Nov. 20 at Lone Star Bar, 621 W. Wall St.

Meli'sa Morgan, Glenn Jones, Nov. 21 at Horseshoe Pavilion, 2514 Arena Trail. $40-$60. midlandhorseshoe.com.

Reckless Kelly, 7 p.m. Nov. 21 at Hacienda Event Center, 12600 Highway 191. $20. haciendamidland.com.

Clay Shelburn, 9 p.m. Nov. 21 at Redneck's Drafthouse, 2215 Midland Drive. facebook.com/rednecksdrafthousebilliards.

MOSC: Permian Basin String Quartet performs Beethoven Op 130 and Shostakovich Op 118 for their Late Beethoven Cycle. 3 p.m. Nov. 21 at Rea-Greathouse Hall. MOSC.org.

Stephen Chadwick, 8 p.m. Nov. 21 at Fire Water Bar and Grill, 3113 W. Industrial Ave. firewaterbarandgrilltx.com.

Santa Claus visits Midland from 2-5 p.m. Nov. 22 at Miss Cayce's Christmas Store, 1012 Andrews Highway. caycechristmasstore.com.

Cirque Dreams Holidaze, 7:30 p.m. Nov. 25 at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. FM 1788. $40.50-$88. broadwayinthebasin.com.

La Arolladora, Pepe Tovar, El Coyote, Maximo Norte, 8 p.m. Nov. 25 at Hacienda Event Center. $50. haciendamidland.com.

Leftover Stuffing combines hip-hop, art auction and spoken word into one night. The event features performances by Pruven, Don prada, Rudabaka, DJ Spree, Lady T., Is Lo Pro, ONO, Esa da God, Ilimental Minds and more. 8 p.m. Nov. 27 at Kamiposi, 510 S. Big Spring St. $10. BYOB. 21 and up. facebook.com/kamiposi.

Cory Dutton, 8 p.m. Nov. 27 and 28 at The Bar, 606 W. Missouri Ave.

The Shane Rogers Band, 8 p.m. Nov. 27 at Lone Star Bar, 621 W. Wall St.

Mike Ryan, Twisted Texas, 8 p.m. Nov. 27 at Fire Water Bar and Grill, 3113 W. Industrial Ave. firewaterbarandgrilltx.com.

Tejano Reunion Dance with Ram Herrera, Shelly Lares and An Empty Glass. 8 p.m. Nov. 27 at MCM Fundome, 6201 W. Highway 80 E. Odessa. $20. 432-664-6835.

Zac Stokes Band, 8 p.m. Nov. 28 at Fire Water Bar and Grill, 3113 W. Industrial Ave. firewaterbarandgrilltx.com.

DECEMBER

Santa Claus visits Midland from 6-7:30 p.m. Dec. 3 at Miss Cayce's Christmas Store, 1012 Andrews Highway. caycechristmasstore.com.

Third annual Party with a Purpose Toy Drive Benefit, 8 p.m.-2 a.m. on Dec. 4 at the Boardroom Lounge, 3303 N. Midkiff Road. The event includes live music by Justin Langston, silent auction, food and more. The event benefits Toys for Tots, High Sky Children's Ranch and CASA of West Texas. $10 or new, unwrapped toy.

Shotgun Rider, 8 p.m. Dec. 4. at Fire Water Bar and Grill, 3113 W. Industrial Ave. firewaterbarandgrilltx.com.

Darren Welch Band, 8 p.m. Dec. 4 and 5 at The Bar, 606 W. Missouri Ave.

MOSC: Sounds of the Season, 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Dec. 5 at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Faem-to-Market 1788. $28-$48. MOSC.org.

Noel Olivas, 8 p.m Dec. 5 at Firewater Bar and Grill, 3113 W. Industrial Ave. firewaterbarandgrilltx.com.

Tiffany and the Lump, 9 p.m. Dec. 5 at Beer Garden at Garden View, 7112 West Highway. midlandbeergarden.com.

Auditions: "The Fantasticks" is the opening musical of the Permian Playhouse's 2016 season. Auditions are for men and women 16 years and older. 7 p.m. Dec. 6 and 7. Permian Playhouse, 310 W. 42nd St., Odessa. permianplayhouse.com.

Fiesta Navidad! featuring Mariachi Los Camperos de Nati Cano, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 7 at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $20-$40. wagnernoel.com.

Mannheim Steamroller Christmas, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 8 at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $62-$117. broadwayinthebasin.com.

Brian Nelson, 8 p.m. Dec. 11 at Beer Garden at Garden View, 7112 West Highway. midlandbeergarden.com.

"Gold, Frankincense and MRRRP" is a musical revue of the holidays. 7:30 p.m. Dec. 11-19 at Permian Playhouse, 310 W. 42nd St. Odessa. permianplayhouse.com.

"The Nutcracker" by the Midland Festival Ballet. Dec. 12 and 13. $18-$59. midlandfestivalballet.org.

TJ Broscoff, 8 p.m. Dec. 12 at Fire Water Bar and Grill, 3113 W. Industrial Ave. firewaterbarandgrilltx.com.

"Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer: The Musical," 7:30 p.m. Dec. 15 at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $31.50-$85. broadwayinthebasin.com.

Robert Earl Keen's Merry Christmas from the Fam-O-Lee, 8 p.m. Dec. 17 at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $27-$52. broadwayinthebasin.com.

"The Wizard of Oz." Follow the yellow brick road to this classic musical. Shows at 7 p.m. 2 p.m. matinee on Dec. 19. The show runs Dec. 17-19. The Globe Theatre, 2308 Shakespeare Road, Odessa. globesw.org.

Jack Nelson, 8 p.m. Dec. 18 at Beer Garden at Garden View, 7112 West Highway. midlandbeergarden.com.

The Electric Cowboys, 8 p.m. Dec. 18 and 19 at The Bar, 606 W. Missouri Ave.

Zach Coffey, 8 p.m. Dec. 19 at Fire Water Bar and Grill, 3113 W. Industrial Ave. firewaterbarandgrilltx.com.

MOSC: A Lone Star Brass Christmas, 3 p.m. Dec. 20 in the Rea-Greathouse Hall at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $15. MOSC.org.

The Texicanos, 8 p.m. Dec. 25 at Fire Water Bar and Grill, 3113 W. Industrial Ave. firewaterbarandgrilltx.com.

Moscow Ballet's Great Russian Nutcracker, 7 p.m. Dec. 29 at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. FM 1788. $30-$70. wagnernoel.com.

Remedy, 8 p.m. Dec. 31 at The Bar, 606 W. Missouri Ave.

JANUARY

Easton Corbin, 8 p.m. Jan. 1 at Hacienda Event Center, 12600 Highway 191. haciendamidland.com.

Kathleen Madigan, 7 p.m. Jan. 14 at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $29-$39. wagnernoel.com.

Wild Kratts Live will have two same-day performances. 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Jan 16 at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $29-$34. wagnernoel.com.

MOSC: Latent Emotions featuring John Madura on violin. 7:30 p.m. Jan. 23 at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. FM 1788. $22-$32. MOSC.org.

Jack Nelson, 8 p.m. Jan. 30 at Beer Garden at Garden View, 7112 West Highway. midlandbeergarden.com.

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ON STAGE

'Peter Pan'

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relationship," said Joe Jung, who plays Hook. "Daniel (Collins) is very creative and easy to accommodate."

In many ways, the two are opposites. Jung describes himself as even-keeled and no-nonsense, which is a direct contrast to the boisterous and unpredictable Collins, who plays Smee.

That factor, though, is what fuels their onstage relationship.

"He plays a good straight man to my foil," Collins said. "I can give him anything and he goes with it. Once I knew that, I knew we were good and that this was going to be so much fun."

But the two got off to a slow start. Collins was a late arrival to rehearsals while finishing his run in another show.

"It was difficult because Smee was this ghost I was playing off of. I didn't even meet Daniel until about the third or fourth week of rehearsal," Jung said.

Their relationship solidified fast.

"I told him I'd just follow his lead but the experience has been great and once we got comfortable, we were quickly in sync," Collins said.

The costumes also helped. With extravagant garb by designer Micheal Willhelm-Waid, the clothes helped each morph fully into their characters.

"I feel the change when I put on the tall heels and hook hand. I'm a cue ball on top so the funny part is getting used to having long hair. That's been a challenge but I feel and even speak quite differently when I put the costume on," Jung said.

"The costumes are so fabulous," Collins chimed in.

The show directed by MCT director Tim Jebsen will be the theater's holiday offering.

With "Peter Pan" being a familiar story, the actors talked less about what the audience should expect and more about the unexpected.

"I think most people have seem some iteration of 'Peter Pan' but what sticks out for me is the magic of it," Collins said. "I watch rehearsals and see Jena and the other actors fly and that sense of wonder is back."

On a more subtle note, Jung hopes the audience pays close attention to details.

"There's a lot of tongue-in-cheek with some modernisms thrown in that wink at the audience," Jung said. "If they clue into that, they'll have a fantastic time if not laugh hysterically."

IF YOU GO

"Peter Pan" opens Friday and runs through Dec. 19 at Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. $28 adults, $20 youth and seniors. mctmidland.org.

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Rehearsal in underway for the Maverick Players production of "Christmas Belles" on Nov 4 at VFW Post 4149

Wolfe

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Happened in a Honky Tonk" and repackaged it as a deluxe edition. This should have been the moment when Wolfe would blow up in the country scene with a major label behind him. In its first incarnation, the independent album had five top 10 singles on the Texas Music Charts, most with accompanying videos.

After parting ways with Warner Brothers, he stepped back.

"I was feeling kind of down and I told myself it is going to be OK and I'll ride off into real estate," he said, laughing.

He went into his third album "Natural Man" without much emotional investment. "I was just trying to get music out," he said.

But then something happened.

"As I was recording, I realized these were the best songs I ever had. But also, I felt some growth on an artistic level," he said.

When the album was released independently on Tone Tree Music label in March, he didn't expect the album to perform as well as it did both critically and in terms of sales. A tour was a natural follow-through.

"The name of the game for 2015 was to tour. That was the big goal and we saw bigger numbers in familiar markets like South Texas and we're starting to see others come alive that we haven't quite broken into like Midland," he said.

Most importantly, his confidence has been bolstered as an independent country artist. Wolfe is steering his career the way he wants. But he's still shooting for one more thing.

"I'm still searching for that hit that's just mine," he said. "But at the end of the day, I'm doing what I love and I think it's worth it. No real estate for me just yet."

IF YOU GO

Jon Wolfe, Hunter Hutchinson, Doors at 7 p.m. Saturday at Hacienda Event Center, 12610 Texas 191 Frontage Road. $10. Haciendamidland.com.

MORE LIVE MUSIC

David Archuleta and Jon Wolfe aren't the only big concerts this weekend. Music fans of all types have their choice from country to jazz. Take a look at these other shows in Midland.

Ted Rosenthal Trio presented by West Texas Jazz Society. 7:30 p.m. Friday at Rea-Greathouse Recital Hall at Wagner Noel, 1310 N. FM 1788 . $30, Students $5. wtjs.org.

Prophets and Outlaw, 8 p.m. Saturday at Fire Water Bar and Grill, 3113 W. Industrial Ave. firewaterbarandgrilltx.com.

Ghost Town Blues Band from Memphis headlines Tall City Blues Fest's Wang Dang Doodle Saturday Night Soiree. 8 p.m. Saturday at The Reserve Lounge in the Doubletree Hilton, 117 W. Wall St. $20.

"Dusk to Dawn" featuring music by Aaron Copland, Thomas Morley and more performed by the Allegro Chorale. 7 p.m. Saturday at Rea-Greathouse Hall at Wagner Noel, 1310 N. FM 1788. $10. facebook.com/Allegro-Chorale-and-Orchestra.

Belles

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comic chops and physicality as Patsy Price with her second-act monologue.

With this second time around, the "sisters" felt more like actual family. This accord was both the heart of the play and its foundation.

But really, "Christmas Belles" was about going for the laughs with silly punchlines and physical comedy, and under Cassidy's direction, the Maverick Players amply succeeded.

WANT TO GO

"Christmas Belles" by the Maverick Players. Runs through Nov. 22. VFW Hall, 409 Veterans Airpark Lane. $15. $10 Sunday matinees. mavericksplayers.org.

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ON SCREEN

Pixar scores again with the delightful 'Inside Out

PICK O' THE WEEK

"Inside Out" (PG) It may not rank in my top 5 Pixar films, and a lousy short, "Lava," opens, but the inspired casting of Lewis Black as Anger is something you don't want to miss. **A-**

ICK! O' THE WEEK

"A Lego Brickumentary" (G) The story of the timeless toy is a fascinating one but this is obviously a company-sponsored film and its never-ending praise and promotion gets old fast. **D-**

MORE REVIEWS

"Before We Go" (PG-13) Charming drama loses steam in the second act despite a genuine chemistry between Chris Evans and Dakota Johnson. **C+**

"Desecrated" (unrated) Slasher movie keeps things lively — thanks, in part, to a nice performance by Gonzalo Menendez as Ben the caretaker — but it is totally void of original plot, settings or dialogue. **B-**

"The Diabolical" (unrated) "Poltergeist" rip-off takes a heavy-handed approach to the hauntings. The results are mixed but more in a bad way than good. **C**

"Digging For Fire" (R) The plot never really seems to go anywhere, which doesn't really matter in this fascinating drama. **A-**

"11 Blocks" (unrated) An interesting idea — a la "The Warriors" — fails to manifest into anything remotely interesting on screen. **D**

"Elf: Buddy's Musical Christmas" (TV-G) It's little more than an animated retelling of the original live-action movie with a few musical numbers, but Jim Parsons brings so much to his version of Buddy that the lack of originality is forgivable. **B**

"The End of the Tour" (R) Jason Segel and Jesse Eisenberg are wonderfully cast in this true story along the lines of the classic "My Dinner With Andre" and last year's "Set Fire to the Stars." **B+**

"The Final Girls" (PG-13) Clever send-up of the "Friday the 13th" films isn't on the same level as the "Scream" series, but it's pretty close. **B-**

"Manglehorn" (PG-13) Al Pacino and Holly Hunter turn in terrific performances but the incessant letter-writing by Pacinio's character should have ended with the first act. **B-**

"October Gale" (unrated) The casting is top notch and the story builds tension with great accomplishment. But it doesn't maintain it. **C**

"Sharknado 3: Oh Hell No!" (TV-14) In an amazing feat, producers managed to recruit an impressive number of celebrities for cameo parts without spending a single dime more than necessary for the cheesy special effects. **B**

"She's Funny That Way" (R) Peter Bogdanovich ("Paper Moon," "The Last Picture Show") was one of the best filmmakers in Hollywood for years. But after generating a few tabloid headlines in the 1970s, he fell from grace. His glorious and triumphant return is sharp and hilarious. **A-**

"Suburban Gothic" (R) Horror comedy scores thanks mostly to a funny performance from Kat Dennings, who hasn't been this endearing since "Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist." **B**

"10, 000 Days" In the recent unrelated trilogy of ice age movies, this places a distant third behind "Snowpiercer" and "Extinction." **C**

"Tiger House" (R) British home-invasion thriller is far-fetched at times — as most of these films are — but it's well-made and builds a real sense of dread. **B-**

"Toy Story That Time Forgot" (TV-G) Any entry in the franchise is welcome and delightful, but at 22 minutes and no extras on the DVD, this installment will leave you aching for more. **B**

"The Turning" (R) Many of the early shorts in this collection of 18 films are dull and lifeless but the last few — some of which are linked to the tedious earlier films — are thought-provoking and inspiring. **B**

"Uncanny" (unrated) An amazing labyrinth of twists and turns embolden this film about artificial intelligence. **B+**

"Vacation" (R) It's not a shot-for-shot remake of the original and it's not quite as funny but it captures enough of the spirit of the 1983 film to keep you laughing throughout. **B-**

Reeled & Stream

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FILM CAPSULES

"Burnt" (R) A hotshot chef who went down in flames seeks redemption, his own kitchen and a third Michelin star. With Bradley Cooper, Sienna Miller and Uma Thurman. Written by Steven Knight. Directed by John Wells.

"Goosebumps" (PG) The new boy in town and the girl next door must spring into action after accidentally releasing the monsters trapped in her father's books. With Dylan Minnette, Halston Sage and Jack Black. Written by Darren Lemke. Directed by Rob Letterman.

"Hotel Transylvania 2" (PG) Dracula opens his spooky hotel to human guests and puts his half-vampire, half-human grandson through monster boot camp in this animated sequel. With the voices of Adam Sandler, Selena Gomez and Andy Samberg. Written by Robert Smigel and Sandler. Directed by Genndy Tartakovsky.

"The Last Witch Hunter" (PG-13) As a warrior cursed with immortality continues his quest to rid the world of witches, an old foe returns from the dead. With Vin Diesel, Elijah Wood and Rose Leslie. Written by Cory Goodman, Matt Sazama and Burk Sharpless. Directed by Breck Eisner.

"Love the Coopers" (PG-13) Four generations gather for their annual Christmas Eve festivities, which are upended by unexpected guests and a surprising turn of events. With Alan Arkin, John Goodman, Ed Helms, Diane Keaton and Olivia Wilde. Written by Steven Rogers. Directed by Jessie Nelson.

"The Martian" (PG-13) Separated from his crew and presumed dead after a massive storm, an astronaut is stranded on the Red Planet and does everything he can to survive until he's rescued. With Matt Damon, Jessica Chastain, Kate Mara and Kristen Wiig. Written by Drew Goddard. Directed by Ridley Scott.

"My All American" (PG) An undersized football player faces unforeseen challenges playing for fabled University of Texas coach Darrell Royal. With Finn Wittrock, Aaron Eckhart, Sarah Bolger and Robin Tunney. Written and directed by Angelo Pizzo, based upon the book "Courage Beyond the Game: The Freddie Steinmark Story" by Jim Dent.

"Sicario" (R) Directed by Denis Villeneuve from a script by Taylor Sheridan, the film depicts the border between the United States and Mexico as a zone of anxiety and often violent transformation, and manages to somehow be sleek and sprawling, focused and cagey at the same time, often in the same scene. With Emily Blunt, Benicio Del Toro and Josh Brolin.

"Spectre" (PG-13) A cryptic message from his past sends secret agent James Bond on a trail to uncover a sinister organization. With Daniel Craig, Christoph Waltz and Lea Seydoux. Written by John Logan, Neal Purvis and Robert Wade. Directed by Sam Mendes.

"The 33" (PG-13) Dramatic telling of the 2010 Chilean mine disaster, when an international team raced the clock to rescue 33 miners trapped 200 stories below ground. With Antonio Banderas, Rodrigo Santoro, Juliette Binoche, James Brolin, Lou Diamond Phillips and Gabriel Byrne. Written by Mikko Alanne, Craig Borten and Michael Thomas, based on the screen story by Jose Rivera and the book "Deep Down Dark" by Hector Tobar. Directed by Patricia Riggen.

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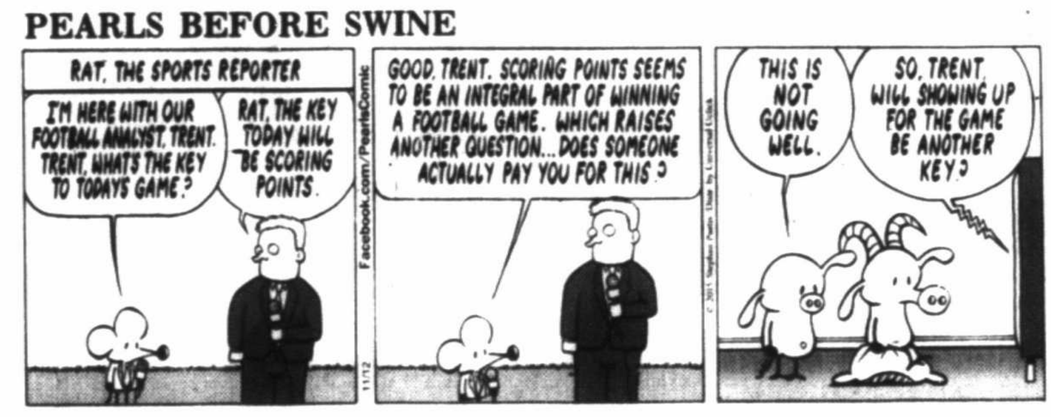

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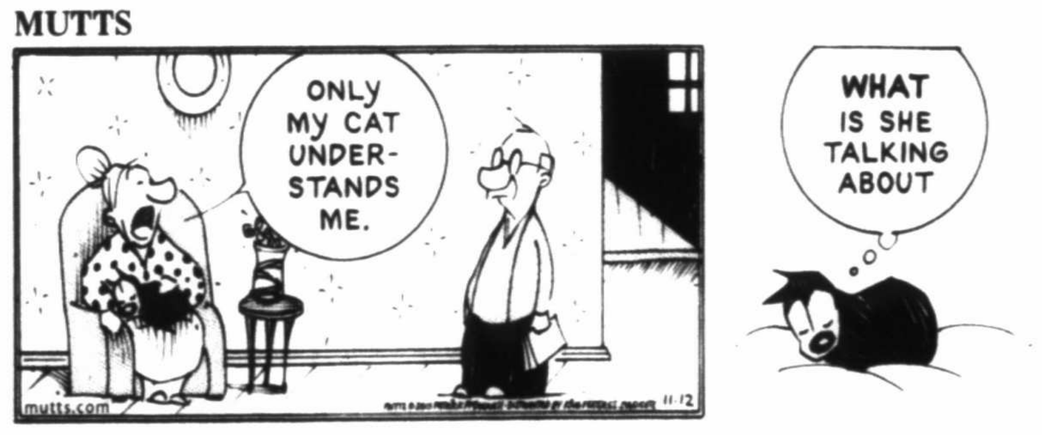

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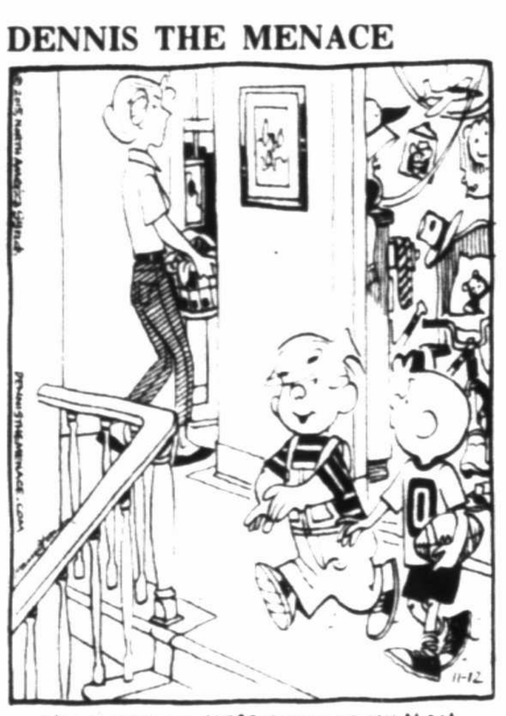

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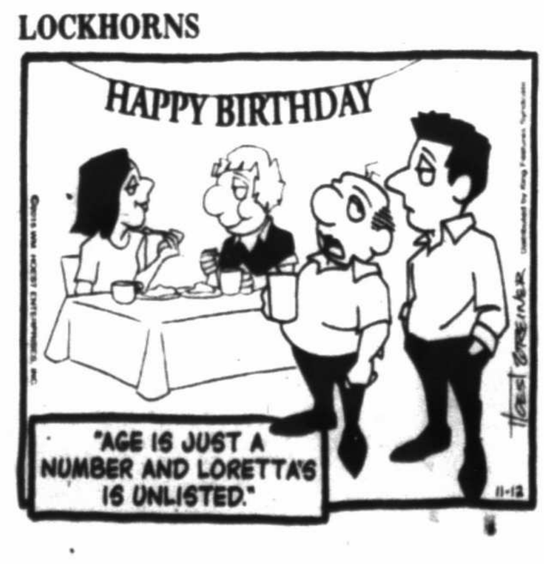

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MHS' Hoppel picks Kansas over other schools

Hoppel

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By Christopher Hadorn
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Some of the nation's finest college track and field programs made their pitches to Bryce Hoppel, but the Midland High senior could only choose one school.

In what he called a difficult decision, Hoppel announced his intentions on Wednesday to attend the University of Kansas for track and field and cross-country during a national signing day ceremony held at MHS.

Hoppel's decision to attend Kansas was a total surprise until the ceremony, as he picked the Jayhawks over Oklahoma, Alabama and Baylor, which were his final choices.

Hoppel had company on Wednesday as senior teammate Chad Schmidt committed to St. Edward's in Austin to run both cross-country and track.

More signings

Be sure to read about more athlete signings inside.

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Hoppel became a highly sought after runner on the national level following his runner-up finish in the 800 meters at the UIL Class 6A State Track and Field Championships in Austin last May. Hoppel followed up that performance with a national championship in the 800 over the summer in the 17-18 age group at the United States Track and Field Junior Olympics in Jacksonville, Florida.

Hoppel joins a Kansas program that has claimed six national championships in men's track and field and has boasted Olympic gold medalists, such as four-time discus champion Al Oerter.

Hoppel said his comfort level with the Jayhawks' coaching staff and the school's engineering program were the strongest factors in his decision.

Hoppel, who carries a 3.97 grade point average, plans to major in aerospace or mechanical engineering.

"Hanging out with the team for a little bit and just meeting all the coaches, I felt like that was a community I could be a part of," Hoppel said. "It was a great group of guys and I was really excited to be a part of the Jayhawk community."

Hoppel will attend Kansas on a half-athletic and half-academic scholarship.

Even though his college plans are set, Hoppel still has unfinished business in high school as he is shooting to become a state champion in the 800 meters and 1,600 meters in the spring. Hoppel said Tevis Herd, Midland High's 1960 state champion in the mile and former University of Texas runner, has provided him invaluable insight.

"He talked to me about all his experiences," Hoppel said of Herd. "Like all the things I need to do to be

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Exceeding expectations

MRT file photo

Midland High defensive end Traver Vliem knocks down El Paso Montwood running back Brandon Gomez on Sept. 4 at Grande Communications Stadium.

Yenzer ranks win vs. Lee one of MHS' best

By Christopher Hadorn
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BULLDOG REPORT

Midland High head football coach Craig Yenzer has coached in two state championship games and been a part of 43 postseason games as an assistant or head coach.

Despite many fond memories, Yenzer says the Bulldogs' 28-9 win over Lee last Friday at Grande Communications Stadium ranks right there with the best of them.

In a winner-take-all scenario, MHS (4-6) claimed the fourth and final playoff spot in District 3-6A and earned the right to meet District 4-6A champion Arlington Martin (8-2) in the bi-district round of the Class 6A Division I playoffs, 7:30 p.m. Friday, at Maverick Stadium on the UT-Arlington campus.

Prior to the Lee game, the Bulldogs had been battered by injuries and were outscored by a 167-41 margin in three straight losses to the district's blue-bloods in San Angelo Central, Odessa Permian and Abilene High.

With expectations low, MHS pieced together a one-sided performance when it needed it most, outgaining the Rebels by a 378-234 margin in total yardage.

"That win last Friday night, it's right up there in the middle of everything," Yenzer said. "It's not even going to take a backseat to the state championship game because of just the way the kids hung together, the way the season has kind of gone and all the disappointments. It's what playing the game is all

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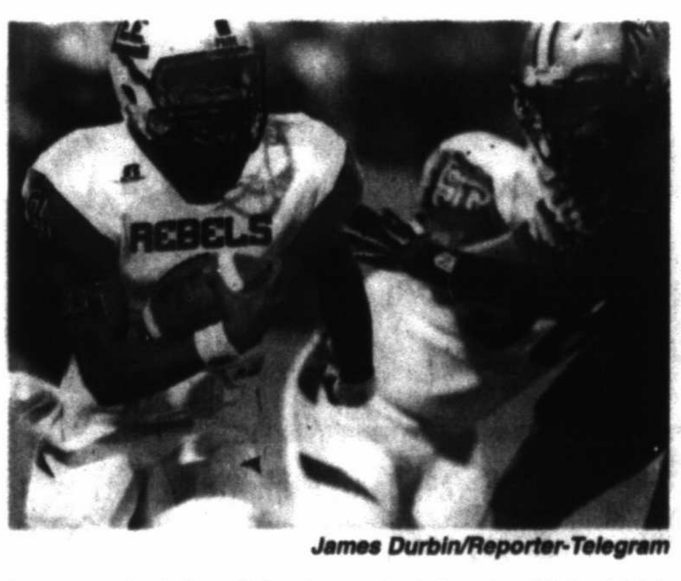
Despite record, Rebels take positive steps in 2015



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Lee quarterback Sema'J Davis runs the ball against Midland High on Friday at Grande Communications Stadium.

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REBEL WRAPUP

The Lee football team had its fair share of both remarkable and forgettable moments on the way to a 4-6 overall record in the 2015 season.

The Rebels went just 2-3 in District 3-6A play — wins against Abilene High and Odessa High — but on the whole, this was a football team that was much improved from 2014 and the progress it made was noticeable.

Lee head coach James Morton said he will remember 'Team 55' for its ability to unite selflessly under a common goal and play together as one.

"I think everyone has a goal of playing together as a team when the year begins," Morton said. "That was certainly our case this year and every year. But I think this group was exceptional in that area. This group was really good about seeing a bigger picture and knowing what they had to do. It was a really close knit group and one that wanted the Rebels to be successful first."

Added Morton: "I credit that to two things. One, the hunger

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MCS' Little gung ho about Texas Tech baseball

By Oscar LeRoy
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Midland Christian's Grant Little had a nice list of college choices and could have gone just about anywhere he wanted to play baseball.

He committed to Texas Tech back in the summer of 2014 and stuck with his choice as he signed his letter-of-intent to play for the Red Raiders on Wednesday.

Little, one of the most talented athletes to ever play at the private school, will play shortstop at Texas Tech.

"I'm just excited to finally just focus on baseball instead of having to worry about signing day," said Little, who hit .552 with one home run and 25 RBI last year with the Mustangs. "A lot of stress is off my shoulders and I'm just happy to get it out of the way."

Little said there really wasn't much of a chance of wavering from his commitment to head coach Tim Tadlock and the Red Raiders. Little said he was also being recruited by Rice, Texas A&M, Baylor, New Mexico and Air Force.

"I grew up there and I always wanted to go there," said Little, who wants to major in kinesiology. "I fell in love with the school when I visited. They treated me well in all my visits there, all the football games, and my official visit there was incredible. I wouldn't want to go anywhere else. They treat you like the way you should be. That's why I wanted to stick to my commitment."

Little added that Tadlock being at Tech also had a lot to do with his commitment.

"Before he got there, Texas Tech wasn't really known as a baseball school but after that first year they were really good and won 45 games in only two years," he said. "Just imagine when he starts recruiting multiple classes, the success we'll have. I can't wait to see what he's going to bring in.

"That's the reason why you play college baseball, is to get that shot at Omaha (site of the College World Series). Last year, we didn't quite get that shot, so hopefully when I'm there we'll go every year."

Midland Christian baseball coach Mike Munguia said he was proud of Little for sticking to his commitment.

"Tech was really good to him during the recruiting process, he stuck with it and that's what he wants to do," Munguia said. "He's a great kid, a hard working kid. They're getting a great baseball player and even better person.

As talented as Little is, there is a

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MRT file photo

Midland Christian's Grant Little pitches against Fort Worth Christian on March 20 at Christensen Stadium.

DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

ON TV

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Virginia Tech at Georgia Tech, 6:30 p.m., ESPN

Louisiana at South Alabama, 6:30 p.m., ESPNU

GOLF

PGA: OHL Classic, 1st Round, Noon, GOLF

LPGA: Lorena Ochoa Invitational, 1st Round, 3 p.m., GOLF

European PGA: BMW Masters, 2nd Round, 9 p.m., GOLF

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Exhibition: Mid American Christian at Oklahoma, 7 p.m., FSSW+/FCSC

NBA

Golden State at Minnesota, 7 p.m., TNT

LA Clippers at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m., TNT

NFL

Buffalo at NY Jets, 7:25 p.m., NFL

NHL

Winnipeg at Dallas, 7:30 p.m., FSSW

NY Islanders at Los Angeles, 10 p.m., NHL

WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Idaho at North Dakota, 7 p.m., FCSA

Arizona at Utah, 8 p.m., P12 AZ/P12 Mtn

Stanford at Washington, 10 p.m., ESPNU

Oregon at UCLA, 10 p.m., P12/P12 LA/P12 OR

ON RADIO

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Forsan vs Windthrost, 7 p.m., KXCS 105.5 FM (Big Spring)

WHAT'S ON DECK

High school

GIRL'S BASKETBALL

Lee at Colleyville Tournament

MHS at Cedar Park Tournament

Midland Christian at Smyer Tournament

FOOTBALL

Class 2A Division I bi-district, Forsan vs. Windthorst, 7 p.m. Thursday, Cisco

Class 1A Division I bi-district, Rankin vs. Sterling City, 7:30 p.m. Thursday

Junior college

MEN'S BASKETBALL

MC vs. Sunrise Christian Prep at Odessa, 3 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Major League Baseball

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF BASEBALL — Suspended free agent minor league LHP Chad James 100 games after a second positive test for Amphetamine, a stimulant in violation of the Minor League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program, as well as a third positive test for a drug of abuse.

American League

CLEVELAND INDIANS — Announced INF Michael Martinez refused his outright assignment to Columbus (IL) and elected to become a free agent.

NEW YORK YANKEES — Acquired OF Aaron Hicks from Minnesota for C John Ryan Murphy.

SEATTLE MARINERS — Signed OF Franklin Gutierrez to a one-year contract.

National League

SAN DIEGO PADRES — Acquired INF-OF Jose Pirela from the New York Yankees for RHP Ronald Herrera.

American Association

LINCOLN SALTDOGS — Released INF Mike Gilmartin.

Frontier League

EVANSVILLE OTTERS — Signed OF John Schultz to a contract extension.

RIVER CITY RASCALS — Signed RHP Tim Koons to a contract extension.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

ATLANTA HAWKS — Assigned C Walter Tavares to Austin (NBADL).

HOUSTON ROCKETS — Assigned G-F K.J. McDaniels to Rio Grande Valley (NBADL).

PHILADELPHIA 76ERS — Assigned Gs Kendall Marshall and Tony Wroten to Delaware (NBADL).

NBA Development League

NBADL — Announced the Chicago Bulls was granted the right to own and operate a club that will begin play in the 2016-17 season.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

ARIZONA CARDINALS — Waived-injured CB Garnet Brooks. Signed CB Robert Nelson Jr. from the practice squad.

CLEVELAND BROWNS — Signed LB Jayson DiManche and DB De'Ante Saunders to the practice squad. Released TE Brian Leonhardt from the practice squad.

MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Activated CB Josh Robinson from the PUP list. Waived TE Chase Ford.

NEW YORK JETS — Placed G Willie Colon on injured reserve. Activated CB Dee Milliner injured reserve-return.

TENNESSEE TITANS — Waived QB Charlie Whitehurst. Activated RB David Cobb from injured reserve return. Signed LB J.R. Tavai and TE Kevin Greene to the practice squad.

Arena Football League

LA KISS — Signed DB Chad Anderson. K Kenny Spencer. DL Rodney Fritz and DL Derrick Summers.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

ARIZONA COYOTES — Assigned F Dustin Jeffrey to Springfield (AHL).

CAROLINA HURRICANES — Reassigned F Brock McGinn to Charlotte (AHL).

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS — Recalled F Brandon Mashinter from Rockford (AHL).

COLORADO AVALANCHE — Recalled G Calvin Pickard from San Antonio (ECHL).

DALLAS STARS — Reassigned F Devin Shore to Texas (AHL). Assigned D Patrik Nemeth to Texas on a conditioning assignment.

American Hockey League

SAN ANTONIO RAMPAGE — Recalled G Spencer Martin from Fort Wayne (ECHL).

ECHL

READING ROYALS — Announced F Derek Mathers and D Jesper Pettersson were to the team from Lehigh Valley (AHL).

COLLEGE

MINNESOTA — Signed interim football coach Tracy Claeys to a three-year contract.

ST. JOHN'S — Announced freshman G Marcus LoVett has received partial qualifier status from the NCAA and will not be allowed to play this season.

GHS' Pate finds landing spot at Missouri St.

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MRT file photo

Greenwood's Ryan Pate Monday tees off on April 27 at the 4A UIL State Golf Championships at Onion Creek Club in Austin.

Greenwood's Ryan Pate said it has been a lot of hard work on the golf course for the past six years, but added that she's really glad that it's paying off big time for her.

As Pate sets her goal on making her third straight trip to the state tournament, she'll do so with a college choice already made.

In front of several students at the Greenwood High School library on Wednesday morning, the senior signed a letter-of-intent to play golf at Missouri State University in Springfield, as she became the first female golfer at GHS to sign with an NCAA Division I program.

"I've been waiting for this day all throughout my high school career," said Pate, who will be going on a half-academic and half-athletic scholarship. "Every golf tournament, every practice has led up to this. It's a good feeling that I'm getting to sign. This is a very big opportunity."

Pate said she never really considered other schools much, but with the help of former Andrews golfer Hailey Burgen, who's attending Missouri State, the program and the university piqued Pate's interest.

"Everything just fell into place," said Pate, who will major in business. "It's a smaller D-1 school. Coming from Greenwood, I won't be that much out of my element. It's a good opportunity and I'm so excited to go there and play. It's good to get the signing out of the way so I can go out there and enjoy my senior season."

Greenwood girls golf coach Shelia Smith, who's coaching Pate for the fourth year on the varsity, said this signing means a lot, especially knowing how hard Pate has worked.

"The times at state have been great but this is amazing," Smith said. "This is something she's dreamed of and she seems to have picked the right place. She'll be able to complete at any level they have. (Andrews coach Mark Burgen) told me that their coach (Kevin Kane) comes to West Texas to recruit because he knows that they play in all kinds of weather. We played the regional up in Lubbock last year while it was flooding."

Smith said Pate is also a special player, who just has the right feel for the game.

"I'm not saying that she doesn't practice and she's had some good coaches, has gone to some good clinics, and her dad is a good golfer as well, but it's just so natural for her," Smith said. "There are some kids that some things comes naturally for them. I can stand out there on the driving range and she'll hit 50 of them as straight as they can go, while other people are struggling."

Smith added that in addition to working hard, Pate is also someone who is willing to help out other kids as well.

Thanks in part to that work ethic and her ability, Pate continues to make history at Greenwood and hopes to make more this year with her third trip to state.

"Just having the encouragement of the school, having everyone supporting me means a lot," she said. "I wouldn't be here without their support. It's a great feeling."

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MHS' Wood achieves dream of playing at Texas State

By Will Korn
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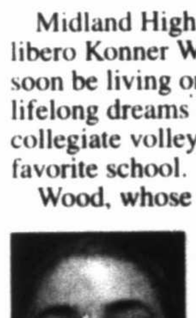
Midland High senior libero Konner Wood will soon be living one of her lifelong dreams — playing collegiate volleyball at her favorite school.



Wood

Wood, whose sharp and athletic defensive play helped lead the Lady Bulldogs to a 26-16 record and a bi-district championship this season, signed to play at Texas State University on Wednesday at MHS.

"The fact that I'm getting to go play for my dream school means the absolute world," said Wood, who earned District 3-6A's Outstanding Defensive Player Award. "It (playing at Texas State) has been one of my dreams for a long time. I don't even know how to explain how good it feels and how happy I am.

"Hard work does pay off — countless hours in the gym, countless hours on the road traveling."

MHS head coach Amanda Lopez said it's that relentless work ethic and heart that defined Wood as a Lady Bulldog. Lopez said that Wood earning a Division I scholarship is a beacon for the younger players in the MHS program that anything can be done with the right attitude and enough effort.

"(She's) selfless," Lopez said. "It just proves that anyone can do anything and it's a great example for the program and those kids who watch her and see those amazing plays she makes, to know that in the end it's just all about hard, work and what you do with it. It's a huge plus for the program."

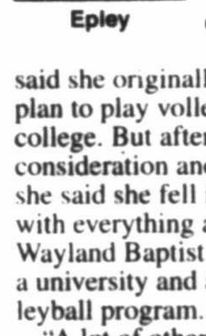
Wood, who will enroll at Texas State in January, said she isn't yet sure what she will study in school. But she knows her first volleyball season as a Lady Bobcat will be challenging and she said she'll be prepared.

"None of this (her time at MHS) was easy," Wood said. "But it's not going to be anywhere close, with harder workouts. It's going to be stressful but it's going to be the kind of stress that I've been wanting. It's going to be a whole different world."

Currently this season, Texas State is 17-11 overall and 12-3 in the Sun Belt Conference. The Lady Bobcats won the Sun Belt Conference most recently in 2013. They have nine NCAA Tournament appearances in school history.

Epley signs with Wayland Baptist

MHS senior middle hitter Krista Epley also continued her volleyball career by inking with Wayland Baptist University on Wednesday.



Epley

Epley said she originally didn't plan to play volleyball in college. But after some consideration and a visit, she said she fell in love with everything about Wayland Baptist both as a university and as a volleyball program.

"A lot of other schools were missing one thing or another," Epley said. "Everything about Wayland just seemed to fit so well with what I want. It has the small school feel, I love the determination of the team and the determination of the coach. Coach (Jim) Giacomazzi is just a really strong personality that I know can coach me and make me the best I can be."

Lopez said Epley possesses the same desire to be great that her teammate Wood does.

"Both are extremely determined to be the best at their position," Lopez said. "I know wholeheartedly that they want it and they're going to work for it."

Epley said she would like to study kinesiology and work toward attending physical therapy school. She said she would like to specialize in treating amputees and could possibly join the military in the future.

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NFL STANDINGS

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	8	0	0	1.000	276	143
N.Y. Jets	5	3	0	.625	200	162
Buffalo	4	4	0	.500	209	190
Miami	3	5	0	.375	171	206

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	4	5	0	.444	200	227
Houston	3	5	0	.375	174	205
Jacksonville	2	6	0	.250	170	235
Tennessee	2	6	0	.250	159	187

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Cincinnati	8	0	0	1.000	229	142
Pittsburgh	5	4	0	.556	206	182
Baltimore	2	6	0	.250	190	214
Cleveland	2	7	0	.222	177	247

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	7	1	0	.875	192	139
Oakland	4	4	0	.500	213	211
Kansas City	3	5	0	.375	195	182
San Diego	1	7	0	.222	210	249

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	5	4	0	.556	247	226
Philadelphia	4	4	0	.500	193	164
Washington	3	5	0	.375	158	196
Dallas	2	6	0	.250	160	204

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Carolina	8	0	0	1.000	228	165
Atlanta	6	3	0	.667	229	190
New Orleans	4	5	0	.444	241	268
Tampa Bay	1	7	0	.125	161	231

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Minnesota	6	3	0	.750	168	142
Green Bay	5	3	0	.625	203	167
Chicago	3	5	0	.375	162	221
Detroit	1	7	0	.125	149	245

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Arizona	6	3	0	.750	263	153
St. Louis	4	4	0	.500	153	146
Seattle	4	4	0	.500	167	140
San Francisco	1	6	1	.133	126	223

Monday's Score

Chicago 22, San Diego 19

Today's Game

Buffalo at N.Y. Jets, 7:25 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Detroit at Green Bay, noon

Carolina at Tennessee, noon

Chicago at St. Louis, noon

Dallas at Tampa Bay, noon

New Orleans at Washington, noon

Miami at Philadelphia, noon

Cleveland at Pittsburgh, noon

Jacksonville at Baltimore, noon

Minnesota at Oakland, 3:05 p.m.

Kansas City at Denver, 3:25 p.m.

New England at N.Y. Giants, 3:25 p.m.

Arizona at Seattle, 7:30 p.m.

Open: Atlanta, Indianapolis, San Diego, San Francisco

Monday, Nov. 16

Houston at Cincinnati, 7:30 p.m.

NHL STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Montreal	17	13	2	2	28	62	33
Detroit	15	8	6	1	17	34	36
Ottawa	15	7	5	3	17	47	49
Tampa Bay	17	7	8	2	16	39	42
Boston	14	7	6	1	15	47	45
Florida	15	6	6	3	15	41	38
Buffalo	15	7	8	0	14	36	42
Toronto	15	3	8	4	10	32	47

Metropolitan Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
N.Y. Rangers	15	11	2	2	24	45	25
Washington	14	10	4	0	20	43	32
Pittsburgh	15	10	5	0	20	35	31
N.Y. Islanders	16	8	5	3	19	44	39
New Jersey	15	8	6	1	17	37	38
Philadelphia	15	5	7	3	13	28	43
Carolina	15	6	9	0	12	30	43
Columbus	16	4	12	0	8	38	59

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Dallas	16	12	4	0	24	56	42
St. Louis	15	11	3	1	23	42	31
Minnesota	14	9	3	2	20	43	38
Nashville	14	9	3	2	20	42	36
Winnipeg	16	8	6	2	18	45	46
Chicago	15	8	6	1	17	39	38
Colorado	15	5	9	1	11	40	42

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Vancouver	16	7	4	5	19	48	39
Los Angeles	15	9	6	0	18	37	32
Arizona	15	8	6	1	17	42	43
San Jose	15	7	8	0	14	40	40
Anaheim	15	5	7	3	13	25	37
Calgary	16	5	10	1	11	40	63
Edmonton	15	5	10	0	10	39	47

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

Wednesday's Scores

Pittsburgh 4, Montreal 3, SO

Edmonton at Anaheim, 10 p.m.

Today's Games

Colorado at Boston, 6 p.m.

St. Louis at N.Y. Rangers, 6 p.m.

Washington at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.

Minnesota at Carolina, 6 p.m.

Vancouver at Ottawa, 6:30 p.m.

Calgary at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.

Buffalo at Florida, 6:30 p.m.

Toronto at Nashville, 7 p.m.

New Jersey at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.

Winnipeg at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.

Edmonton at Arizona, 8 p.m.

N.Y. Islanders at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

FISHING REPORT

WEST

ALAN HENRY: Water stained, 63-68 degrees, 1.67' low. Black bass are fair on Texas rigs, jigs, Rat-L-Traps and Carolina rigs. Crappie are fair to good on jigs and minnows. Catfish are fair to good on prepared bait.

ARROWHEAD: Water off color, 62-67 degrees; 1.04' low. Black bass are fair on Texas rigs and spinnerbaits. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers.

COLORADO CITY: 19.84' low. No report available.

FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water clear, 64-69 degrees; 4.84' low. Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits, jigs and Texas rigs. Crappie are fair on jigs and minnows. Catfish are fair on nightcrawlers.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water off color, 64-70 degrees; 17.4' low. Black bass are fair to good on Rat-L-Traps, Texas rigs, jigs and shallowheads. Crappie are fair to good on jigs and minnows. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers and live shad.

NASWORTHY: 62-68 degrees; 2' low. Black bass are fair to good on chatterbaits and Texas rigs. No reports on crappie. Catfish are fair on nightcrawlers.

OAK CREEK: Water stained, 61-68 degrees; 19.83' low. Black bass are fair to good on weighted flukes, medium running short pattern crankbaits, Texas rigs and jigs. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs. Catfish are fair on chartreuse (use Worm-Glo) nightcrawlers.

O.H. IVIE: Water stained, 63-69 degrees, 45.6 low. Black bass are fair to good Texas rigs, jigs, squarebill crankbaits and spinnerbaits. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs fished shallow. Catfish are fair to good on live bait.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water fairly clear, 64-69 degrees, 0.06' low. Black bass are fair to good on medium running crankbaits. Texas rigs, drop shot rigs and jigs. Crappie are fair on live minnows. White bass are fair to good on slabs. Striped bass are fair on live shad. Catfish are fair to good on live shad and nightcrawlers.

SWEETWATER: Water off color, 60-67 degrees; 30.06' low. No report available.

WHITE RIVER: Water stained, 61-66 degrees, 16.73' low. No report available.

SOUTH

AMISTAD: Water murky, 76-80 degrees; 26.34' low. Black bass are good on topwaters, crankbaits, jerkbaits, soft plastics, and spinnerbaits. Striped bass are good on crankbaits, large topwaters, and large Red Fins. White bass are fair on slabs, white crankbaits, and minnows. Crappie are slow. Catfish are good on cheesebait, shrimp, and nightcrawlers over baited holes. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live perch. Everyone in a boat must have a Mexico fishing license (if fishing the Mexico side) whether fishing or not.

What's happening in Midland this weekend? Find out by reading

WEEKENDER

Look for it inside today's edition of the Reporter-Telegram

TEXAS TECH WEEKLY

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH
MEN'S BASKETBALL vs WTAMU 7:00 PM
EXHIBITION GAME, FREE ENTRY

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs NIAGARA 11:00 AM
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SEASON OPENER
VOLLEYBALL vs WEST VIRGINIA 5:00 PM
MEN'S BASKETBALL vs HIGH POINT 8:00 PM
MEN'S BASKETBALL SEASON OPENER

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH
FOOTBALL vs KANSAS STATE 2:30 PM

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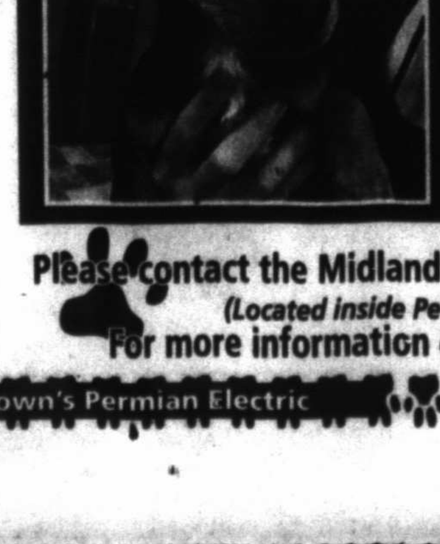

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MHS surprises but now has a tough first round draw

TERRY WILLIAMSON
MRT correspondent

The Midland High Bulldogs gave us a jaw dropper at Grand Communications Stadium last Friday night with a 28-9 thumping of Lee to gain that fourth and final state playoff berth.

I have to say that it was one of the most unexpected upsets I've witnessed in this long and storied history of the cross-town rivalry. It caught me totally by surprise after what I had seen in the previous three weeks of play.

I did come away with a new respect of what it means when coaches and players throw around phrases like "next man up."

This was a time when injuries were put aside and guys stood up to fill the gaps. It was an amazing performance.

But there is some bad news here. The Bulldogs rose to playoff status and it will take the same performance once again Friday on the road against Arlington Martin to pull off another stunner. Let's face it. Few are expecting MHS to win this game.

Let's consider the opponent. Martin, 8-2 on the year, is the District 4-6A champion with a 7-0 record in league play. The Warriors beat 9-1 Arlington Lamar, 52-24, to win that title outright.

The Warriors did lose two games back-to-back in early non-district play, 24-22 against Dallas Skyline and 28-20 to South Grand Prairie. But that seems to be ancient history now.

And if you are a history buff, MHS is 0-2 against Martin in the playoffs, losing just last year, 43-14, in bi-district play. MHS also lost to Martin 37-7 in 2011. So, the Warriors have eliminated the Bulldogs the last two times MHS has been in the playoffs.

MHS enters bi-district play with an overall 14-12 (.539) playoff record going all the way back to 1920. The Bulldogs need to get that win total up.

District 4-6A is considered to be a middle of the road loop. It was top heavy with Martin and Lamar, so it will be interesting to see how our 3-6A teams will fare against our 4-6A brethren.

Abilene High, our third place finisher in 3-6A, will have the tough task of facing Lamar, but most eyes will be on San Angelo Central and Odessa Permian.

While MHS' upset over Lee knocked the Rebels out of the playoffs, many were also caught off guard by Central's 27-20 upset over previously unbeaten Permian to share the 3-6A title. Central now meets 5-5 Arlington High while Permian faces 6-4 Arlington Bowie with home games.

Central, Abilene High and Permian all made it to the third round last season, so the quest is now on to break the third round barrier this season.

So, let's get to this week's District 3-6A and Area Pickin' Game where I was 7-4 last week and now stand 95-29 (.766) for the year.

Arlington Martin 44, Midland High 14: Can the Bulldogs pull off another inspiring team effort to match or surpass last week's performance? It's highly unlikely.

Odessa Permian 52, Arlington Bowie 14: Permian is 9-1 while Bowie is 6-4. And old Mojo is seeing red after last week's fall to the Bobcats.

San Angelo Central 38, Arlington High 21: The Bobcats should be good for a run to the third round.

Arlington Lamar 28, Abilene High 25: This might be one of the best first round games on the entire state slate.

Area Playoff Games

Andrews 52, Lubbock Estacado 20: You don't often get a chance to face a 2-7 team in the state playoffs.

Monahans 34, Bushland 21: The Loboes may not be quite as good as they have been in the past, but they do have a lot of experience preparing for playoff games.

Greenwood 28, Perryton 26: I expect a close one here, so why not stick with the home boys.

Forsan 55, Windhorst 28: The Buffs should be able to handle a 5-5 team.

Garden City 66, Robert Lee 40: The Bearkats already own a 78-48 win over Robert Lee this season, and I don't see much changing here.

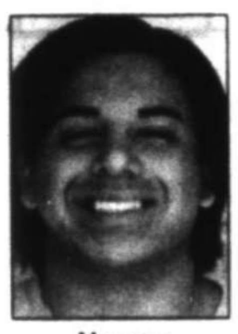
Sterling City 54, Rankin 38: Sterling City beat the Red Devils 60-12 earlier this year. Rankin is a better team now, but not that much better.

LEE MVPS

Jones

OFFENSE
Tony Jones, Sr., RB

In his first and only year on varsity, the physical Jones led his team in touchdowns (11) and was second in yards gained (885). His yards-per-carry average for the year was 7.9, tops on the team.


Nunez

DEFENSE
Kaleb Nunez, Sr., DE

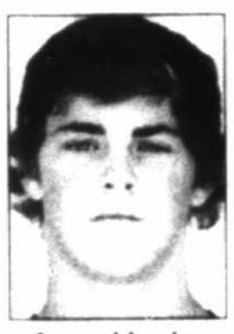
One of the faces of the Lee program, Nunez was the defensive force he was advertised to be all season long. The outgoing senior, who has four collegiate offers in hand, led the Rebels in total tackles (97), sacks (6), quarterback hurries (14), fumble recoveries (2) and was second in tackles for a loss (8).

Strambler

SPECIAL TEAMS
Dedrick Strambler, Sr., P

Strambler punted 41 times for 1,343 yards on the season, good for an average of 32.7 yards-per-punt. Because of his ability to flip the field, he often helped his team win defensive battles and limit the oppositions' points.

MHS MVPS


Anuszkiewicz

OFFENSE
Jackson Anuszkiewicz, Jr., QB

Anuszkiewicz passed for 210 yards and three touchdowns in the Bulldogs' stunning win of Lee. Anuszkiewicz directed a MHS offense was 8 of 16 on third downs. MHS head coach Craig Yenzer said it was his most complete game of the season.

Vliem

DEFENSE
Traver Vliem, Sr., DE

Vliem set the tone for the MHS' defense play as he was a penetrating force up front. Vliem had a sack, a tackle for loss and a fumble recovery. During a third-and-1 situation, Vliem pushed a Lee lineman into the ball carrier for a 1-yard loss.

Marquez

SPECIAL TEAMS
Noah Marquez, Jr., KR/PR

Marquez was recognized by MHS special teams coach Ector Lopez for his well-rounded play, which included a 28-yard kickoff return that setup the Bulldogs with favorable field position during their first touchdown drive.

REBELS

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that they had to re-establish the program, I think was really, really big. They knew that was their best chance for success. And number two, going through the offseason program together, I think that's what forged those two things together."

Despite a final result that surely failed to satisfy many of the Lee faithful, the Rebels did a number of things very well this season.

A consistent and reliable running game — led by junior quarterback Sema'J Davis and senior running back Tony Jones — carried the Rebels to each of their four wins and gave them a real shot to possibly win a couple more.

An ability to continuously apply pressure on opposing run defenses late in games also allowed Lee to manage the clock and outscore its opponents, 77-53, in fourth quarters this season. Because of that tendency, the Rebels were rarely out of a game.

But more importantly, with Morton's 'go 1-0' philosophy in mind, the Rebels handled the season's adversity with positivity and had a belief that they could overcome any challenge placed before them.

Morton said one of the major improvements from last year's Lee team to this year's was a shift in that attitude as well as player-driven leadership.

"I was going to say 'toughness' but I think 'attitude' is a better term to use than 'toughness,'" Morton said. "There was an attitude, a belief in one another that we're going to do whatever we have to do to get the program back — their willingness to not take 'no' for an answer."

That belief was evident not only in the comeback win against Abilene High at Shotwell Stadium, but also in how the team responded to a 52-14 thrashing against Southlake Carroll — with an all-around impressive 35-16 home win against El Paso El Dorado the following week.

After a frustrating 21-14 home loss against Smithson Valley in the season opener, Lee didn't allow things to snowball. It rebounded for a 46-28 road win against El Paso Coronado.

Apart from a 45-0 loss at Odessa Permian as well as the loss to Carroll, Lee had an opportunity to win every other game it lost. This was a Rebels team that battled against tough competition all season long and it held its own.

But now the Lee players and coaches certainly have something to build upon for next season.

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2015 LEE STATISTICS
(4-6 - fifth in District 3-6A)

Opponents	75	88	81	53	6	—303
Lee	73	55	42	77	0	—247

RUSHING

Player	Att	Yds	Avg	TD
Sema'J Davis	134	891	6.6	5
Tony Jones	111	885	7.9	11
Ashton Akbar	61	354	5.8	4
Nicco Sonanello	32	130	4.0	[illegible]
Grant Brown	1	22	22.0	[illegible]
C.J. Robles	2	20	10.0	[illegible]
Michael Parada	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Wesley Hall	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Taye Britt	[illegible]	6	[illegible]	[illegible]
Totals	352	2,334	6.6	26

PASSING

Player	Comp	Att	Int	Yds	TD
Sema'J Davis	74	160	10	967	[illegible]
Nicco Sonanello	15	30	0	222	[illegible]
Michael Parada	1	1	0	24	1
Totals	90	191	10	1,213	8

RECEIVING

Player	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD
Taye Britt	20	342	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jordan Trimble	5	181	36.2	[illegible]
Kaleb Nunez	6	102	[illegible]	[illegible]
C.J. Robles	[illegible]	93	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tony Jones	[illegible]	91	[illegible]	[illegible]
Wesley Hall	[illegible]	87	[illegible]	[illegible]
Payton Tranum	[illegible]	85	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ethan Spray	6	80	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ashton Akbar	9	76	8.4	[illegible]
Jonathon Simmons	3	26	8.6	[illegible]
Avery Bower	3	21	7.0	[illegible]
Grant Brown	1	9	9.0	[illegible]
Totals	85	1,193	14.0	8

PUNTING

Player	Att	Yds	Avg	L
Dedrick Strambler	41	1,343	32.7	53

SCORING

Player	TD	PAT	2PT	FG	TP
Tony Jones	11	0	[illegible]	0	66
Sema'J Davis	6	0	[illegible]	0	36
Luis Aranda	0	27	[illegible]	[illegible]	33
Ashton Akbar	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	0	24
Nicco Sonanello	3	[illegible]	[illegible]	0	2[illegible]
Taye Britt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Payton Tranum	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kaleb Nunez	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Michael Parada	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
C.J. Robles	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Grant Brown	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ethan Spray	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Dedrick Strambler	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nate Ortiz	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Player	ST	AT	TT	S	TFL	CF	FR	PBU	PB	INT
Kaleb Nunez	67	30	97	6	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Chris Pink	51	29	80	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
D. Strambler	43	24	67	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kade Hicks	32	25	57	[illegible]	8	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ryan Dean	41	13	54	[illegible]	8	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
M. Parada	29	22	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tristian Martinez	32	17	49	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Garrett Chalker	27	18	45	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Moises Valle	27	[illegible]	39	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tyler Thames	19	14	33	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Josh Carrasco	19	[illegible]	29	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Dustin Hunt	20	8	28	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nathan Nanez	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Conner Friel	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Corian Hernandez	19	8	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nathan Lopez	[illegible]	8	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Wynston Sutton	8	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Damen Orr	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Austin McClure	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Jordan Trimble	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
J. Villavicencio	[illegible]	[illegible]	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Avery Bower	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jarrod Tambunga	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Key: ST - solo tackle; AT - assisted tackle; TT - total tackles; S - sack; TFL - tackles for loss; CF - caused fumble; FR - fumble recovery; PBU - pass breakup; PB - punt block

OFFENSE

Rush	RPG	Pass	PPG	Total	TPG
2,334	233.4	1,213	121.3	3,547	354.7

DEFENSE

Rush	RPG	Pass	PPG	Total	TPG
2,153	215.3	1,754	175.4	3,907	390.7

HS FOOTBALL PLAYOFF PAIRINGS

CLASS 6A DIVISION I
Region I
Bidistrict

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Arlington Martin (8-2) vs. Midland (4-6) 7:30 p.m. Friday, Arlington's Maverick Stadium

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CLASS 4A DIVISION I
Region I
Bidistrict

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Andrews (9-1) vs. Lubbock Estacado (2-7) 7:30 p.m. Friday, Snyder

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CLASS 4A DIVISION II
Region I
Bidistrict

[illegible]

[illegible]

Perryton (5-5) vs. Greenwood (6-4) 7 p.m. Friday, Muleshoe

CLASS 2A DIVISION I
Region I
Bidistrict

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Forsan (8-2) vs. Windthorst (5-5) 7 p.m. Thursday, Cisco

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CLASS 1A SIX-MAN DIVISION I
Region II
Bidistrict

Garden City (9-1) vs. Robert Lee (6-4) 7:30 p.m. Friday, Robert Lee

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Sterling City (9-1) vs. Rankin (4-6) 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Garden City

HOPPEL

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a great runner. He gave a lot of good advice. He is just a good mentor. He is a good inspiration for my running career."

Schmidt said he was lured to St. Edward's by its budding track and cross-country program, quality Christian-oriented education and intimate school setting.

"I never thought about potentially running in college," Schmidt said. "It didn't really start until summer track. I just felt that if I could put in the hard work then I could go run at a college as well. I just started to e-mail as many coaches as I could, just trying to get the process started and ultimately. I had a real good connection with St. Edward's and it just helped."

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LITTLE

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possibility he could be drafted in next June's first-year Major League Baseball draft and bypass college altogether. He said that about eight or nine MLB teams have shown interest in him so far.

He added that after discussions with his family and advisor, if he's drafted in the top five rounds and depending on the signing bonus offered, there could be a possibility he could go pro after high school, just like former Mustang Chris Withrow, who was a first round draft pick by the L.A. Dodgers in the 2007 draft.

For now, Little is a future Red Raider and he said he will concentrate solely on baseball during his senior season at MCS.

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BULLDOGS

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about."

Prior to the Lee game, Midland High coaches and players dealt with their share of outside distractions, which included an online petition and Facebook page calling for a change at head coach of the program.

Bulldogs senior captain Traver Vliem said the outside commotion united everybody while their backs were against the wall, needing a win to extend their season.

"From the outside world, it maybe was perceived as a burden, I think it served as fuel to the fire for the team, all of us," Vliem said. "We had nowhere to go but for each other. We banded as brothers and we fought for one another on Friday. That's the plan this Friday as well."

Yenzer shared the same sentiments about the ordeal as Vliem, his Division-I bound defensive end.

"Some of the things that were circling, maliciously on tearing us apart, it backfired actually," Yenzer said. "It united us, made us stronger."

Vliem said the team not only battled for one another, but it was Yenzer who was on the forefront of the players' minds.

"Honestly, (Coach Yenzer) was the biggest deal for me," Vliem said. "It's ultimately about my teammates, but it felt in the locker room, it was for him. That was huge because I know how much he puts into all this, way more than any of us."

Not only did MHS get the victory it needed, but everything seemed to click.

The Bulldogs threw the ball well behind 210 yards passing and three touchdowns from quarterback Jackson Anuszkiewicz. The MHS rushing attack found success on the ground for the first time since the fourth game of the season as running back Ricky Hubert amassed 123 rushing yards.

The Bulldogs' offensive line, plagued by injuries and inexperience, played so well that the coaching staff recognized the whole unit as "players of the week" at the team booster meeting.

On the other side of the ball, the MHS defense did not allow Lee to convert a single third-down conversion (0-for-11), while holding the Rebels to only eight first downs.

Even though momentum is on the Bulldogs' side, Yenzer says his team is going to have to raise its level of play another notch to upend a Martin team that is riding a seven-game winning streak and has outscored its foes by a 479-241 margin.

The meeting is a rematch of the 2014 bi-district playoff when Martin eliminated Midland High with a 43-14 victory at Grande Communications Stadium.

"You show them film first of all and they get your attention real quick, see how good those guys look on film," Yenzer said. "But they understand that. They know this is a great football team with a great football program."

Notes: MHS junior "Dawg" Holt Wood returned from a shoulder injury versus Lee and registered 10 tackles in the win. ... Yenzer says his team is finally in a good state health-wise entering Friday's playoff game versus Arlington Martin. "Quite frankly, we're probably as healthy as we've been in several weeks to be honest," Yenzer said.

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2015 MIDLAND HIGH STATISTICS
(4-6, 2-3)

Opponents	90	108	91	48	—337
Midland High	36	52	41	84	—213

RUSHING

Player	Att	Yds	Avg	TD
Ricky Hubert	86	47[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nick [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Brady Bolger	48	124	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jackson Anuszkiewicz	54	58	[illegible]	[illegible]
Caleb Gonzales	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Billy Tagle	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Juleion Bowers	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Raekwon Anderson	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Ryan Perales	[illegible]	2	[illegible]	[illegible]
Team	[illegible]	8	[illegible]	[illegible]
Totals	251	855	3.4	11

PASSING

Player	Comp	Att	Int	Yds	TD
Jackson Anuszkiewicz	84	173	8	1,165	[illegible]
Brady Bolger	52	90	[illegible]	674	[illegible]
Totals	136	263	11	1,839	15

RECEIVING

Player	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD
Courtney McMaryion	28	575	20.5	5
Juleion Bowers	18	275	15.3	4
Jalen Childress	17	245	14.4	4
Ricky Hubert	20	176	8.8	0
Brooks Betcher	15	159	10.6	[illegible]
Sam Bertelson	[illegible]	123	[illegible]	[illegible]
Zelyn Zapata	6	102	17.0	[illegible]
Greyson Brockington	6	66	[illegible]	[illegible]
Joey Rodriguez	3	[illegible]	[illegible]	0
Tim Bernal	3	18	6.0	[illegible]
Taylor Ward	2	16	8.0	[illegible]
Will Stratton	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0
Darius Petterson	1	15	15.0	0
Jackson Anuszkiewicz	2	11	5.5	0
Nick Hernandez	4	11	2.8	0
Theron Brown	1	6	6.0	0
Irvin Moreno	1	5	5.0	0
Totals	136	1,839	13.5	15

PUNTING

Player	Att	Yds	Avg
Blake Boring	25	927	37.1
Brooks Betcher	25	865	34.6

SCORING

Player	TD	PAT	2PT	FG	TP
Brady Bolger	5	0	0	0	30
Courtney McMaryion	5	0	0	0	30
Jalen Childress	5	0	0	0	30
Blake Boring	0	12	0	5	27
Juleion Bowers	4	0	1	0	26
Jackson Anuszkiewicz	2	0	1	0	14
Ricky Hubert	2	0	1	0	14
Caleb Gonzales	1	0	0	0	6
Brooks Betcher	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sam Bertelson	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nick Hernandez	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Noah Marquez	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Adrian Campos	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Will Powell	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Totals	28	18	3	[illegible]	213

INTERCEPTIONS

Player	No	Yds	Avg	TD
Raekwon Anderson	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kobie McCalister	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Chris Sims	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Player	ST	AT	S	TFL	FR	PBU
Jack Youngblood	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Chris Sims	66	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	4
Holt Wood	47	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Traver Vliem	38	23	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Adermal Henry	37	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Joseph Barron	34	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kobie McCalister	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Noah Marquez	26	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Raekwon Anderson	25	14	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Dillon Springer	19	[illegible]	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Willie Echols	[illegible]	19	[illegible]	4	[illegible]	[illegible]
Christian Yorkman	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tyler Campbell	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Billy Tagle	[illegible]	6	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gabe Nunez	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Santiago Hernandez	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Devon Miller	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tyler Klattenhoff	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Hernan Lujan	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0	[illegible]
Blake Boring	[illegible]	0	[illegible]	0	0	[illegible]
Jude Ponceja	[illegible]	[illegible]	0	0	0	[illegible]
Jordan Taylor	[illegible]	[illegible]	0	0	0	[illegible]
Sam Bertelson	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0	0	[illegible]
Gabe Nunez	1	[illegible]	0	0	0	[illegible]
Aaron Vanderburg	1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0	0
Tito Salcido	1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0	[illegible]
Jesse Carter	1	0	[illegible]	0	0	[illegible]
Will Powell	1	0	0	0	0	[illegible]

Key: ST - solo tackle; AT - assisted tackle; S - sack; TFL - tackle for loss; FR - fumble recovery; PBU - pass breakup

OFFENSE

Rush	RPG	Pass	PPG	Total	TPG
855	85.5	1,840	184.0	2,695	269.5

DEFENSE

Rush	RPG	Pass	PPG	Total	TPG
2,286	228.6	1,622	162.2	3,908	390.8

REPORTER-TELEGRAM FOOTBALL PREDICTIONS

Week 12
Nov. 13—Nov. 16

Chris Hadorn
Last week: 14-6
Season: 171-49
Percent: .777

Oscar LeRoy
Last week: 13-7
Season: 164-56
Percent.: .745

Terry Williamson
Last week: 11-9
Season: 163-57
Percent: .740

Will Korn
Last week: 112-8
Season: 153-67
Percent: .695

John Tee
Last week: 11-9
Season: 153-67
Percent: .695

Guest Picker
Meredith Wright
MRT Special Publications Editor

High school playoffs						
Midland High at Arlington Martin	Arlington Martin	Arlington Martin	Arlington Martin	Arlington Martin	Arlington Martin	Arlington Martin
Arlington Bowie at Odessa Permian	Odessa Permian	Odessa Permian	Odessa Permian	Odessa Permian	Odessa Permian	Odessa Permian
Arlington High at San Angelo Central	San Angelo Central	San Angelo Central	San Angelo Central	San Angelo Central	San Angelo Central	San Angelo Central
Abilene High at Arlington Lamar	Abilene High	Arlington Lamar	Arlington Lamar	Arlington Lamar	Arlington Lamar	Arlington Lamar
Andrews vs. Lubbock Estacado	Andrews	Andrews	Andrews	Andrews	Andrews	Andrews
Greenwood vs. Perryton	Greenwood	Greenwood	Greenwood	Greenwood	Greenwood	Perryton
Forsan vs. Windthorst	Forsan	Forsan	Forsan	Forsan	Forsan	Forsan
Garden City at Robert Lee	Garden City	Garden City	Garden City	Garden City	Garden City	Garden City
Rankin vs. Sterling City	Sterling City	Sterling City	Sterling City	Sterling City	Sterling City	Sterling City
Midland Christian at Brownsville St. Joseph	Midland Christian	Midland Christian	Midland Christian	Midland Christian	Midland Christian	Midland Christian
Sugarland Logos Prep at Trinity	Trinity	Trinity	Trinity	Trinity	Trinity	Trinity
Iraan vs. Miles at Grande Communications Stadium	Iraan	Iraan	Iraan	Iraan	Iraan	Iraan
Coleman vs. Alpine at Grande Communications Stadium	Coleman	Coleman	Coleman	Coleman	Coleman	Coleman
College						
Kansas State at Texas Tech	Texas Tech	Texas Tech	Kansas State	Texas Tech	Texas Tech	Texas Tech
Oklahoma at Baylor	Baylor	Baylor	Oklahoma	Baylor	Baylor	Oklahoma
Texas at West Virginia	West Virginia	West Virginia	West Virginia	Texas	West Virginia	Texas
Memphis at Houston	Houston	Memphis	Houston	Houston	Houston	Houston
Pro						
Dallas at Tampa Bay	Dallas	Dallas	Tampa Bay	Tampa Bay	Dallas	Tampa Bay
Houston at Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Cincinnati
New England at N.Y. Giants	New England	New England	New England	New England	New England	New England

How guest pickers have fared this season

Last week's guest picker Sherry McCrary was 10-10. This year's guest pickers are 157-63 (.713 percent).

MC BASEBALL SIGNINGS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Gurrola signs with North Florida

Gurrola

Yahir Gurrola
Midland College outfielder
Signing school: University of North Florida, NCAA Division I, Jacksonville, Fla.
Hometown: El Paso (El Dorado High School)
Gurrola on why he chose North Florida: "(Former MC outfielder Chris Thibideau) went to that school and all I hear are good things about that school. I also think it's a good program. I also really like playing in Florida."
Notes: The 6-foot-1, 180-pound Gurrola said he looked at couple of other schools but none of them stood out like North Florida. The Ospreys went 45-16 last year and won the Atlantic Sun Conference regular season championship. ... Gurrola made a big impact as a freshman last season, hitting .391 with four home runs, 43 RBI and 44 runs scored in 52 games (48 starts).

Davidson picks N.C. State

Tucker Davidson

Midland College left-handed pitcher
Signing school: North Carolina State, NCAA Division I, Raleigh, N.C.
Hometown: Amarillo (Tascosa High School)

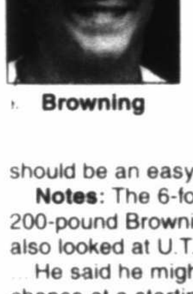
Davidson

Davidson on why he chose N.C. State: "I went on a visit over Halloween weekend and I just fell in love with the place. The campus was beautiful with all the trees, liked the campus a lot and I liked the coaching staff a lot."
Notes: The 6-foot-2, 205-pound Davidson said he chose the Wolfpack over TCU and U.T.-San Antonio. Davidson said he would love to be a starter but just wants the opportunity to play at that level. ... The Wolfpack went 36-23 and made its third NCAA super regional appearance during the 2015 season. ... Last season, Davidson developed into a solid starting pitcher for the Chaparrals and ended up with a 3-0 record with one complete game and a 6.11 ERA.

Browning heading to Angelo State

Shane Browning
Midland College

right-handed pitcher
Signing school: Angelo State, NCAA Division II, San Angelo
Hometown: Lubbock (Lubbock High)
Browning on why he chose Angelo State: "It just felt like an extended version of Midland. The head coach (Kevin Brooks) coached with (MC head coach David Coleman) down at Texas A&M, so they kind of have the same philosophies. It should be an easy transition."



Browning

Notes: The 6-foot-2, 200-pound Browning said he also looked at U.T.-Arlington. ... He said he might have a chance at a starting position next year. ... At Angelo State, he'll be joining former MC pitcher Dustin Angiel and former MC infielder Jay Gonzalez, while former Chap pitcher Jayden Odell will be going into his senior season with the Rams. ... ASU went 42-18 last year and went to the DII College World Series for the second straight year. ... As an MC freshman, Browning went 4-1 with a 3.91 ERA before battling elbow trouble late in the season.

FOOTBALL CAPSULES

COMPILED BY OSCAR LEROY

CLASS 2A DIVISION I
BI-DISTRICT
FORSAN VS. WINDTHORST
When/where: 7 p.m., Chesley Stadium, Cisco
On the air: KXCS-FM (105.5), Big Spring
Records: Forsan 8-2; Windthorst 5-5
Last game: Forsan 39, Christoval 17 (Oct. 30); Stamford 21, Windthorst 7
Last meeting/series: Windthorst defeated Forsan 20-14 in 2013 in the teams' only previous meeting.
Three things to watch
■ Forsan had its bye at the end of the regular season but coach Jason Phillips said it was good for his team to get rested for the playoffs and work on a few things.
■ Phillips said Windthorst will be the biggest team his Buffaloes have faced this season, plus the Trojans have a talented receiver in Garret Syrus (1,012 yards receiving, 11 TDs) and a talented running back in Caleb Lindley (1,353 yards rushing, 15 TDs). He added that they'll be similar to Christoval in that they like to throw the ball.
■ Phillips said the keys will be to limit Syrus' and Lindley's touches as much as possible and control the line of scrimmage.
"Our offensive line has been good all year and we've got some speed in the backfield that we've been able to make plays. We're going to need another similar performance," he said. "We also have some speed on the defensive line that could cause them problems."
Next: Winner plays Abernathy/Wellington winner in the area round, TBA

CLASS 1A DIVISION I
BI-DISTRICT
RANKIN VS. NO. 10 STERLING CITY
When/where: 7:30 p.m., Bearkat Stadium, Garden City
Records: Rankin 4-6; Sterling City 9-1
Last game: Garden City 72, Rankin 20; Sterling City 56, Veribest 6
Last meeting/series: Sterling City defeated Rankin 60-12 on Oct. 9 but Rankin leads the all-time series 15-7
Three things to watch
■ Rankin looks to bounce back from a disappointing mercy-rule loss to Garden City last week as five turnovers cost the Red Devils in the game to decide the District 5-1A Division I title.
■ The good news is that the Red Devils are back in the playoffs after just missing out last year, despite being in a three-way tie for the district title.
■ Rankin coach Pat Potts said his team has to play well against the Eagles and his team must find a way to slow down their speedy running backs.
"We've got to take care of the ball," Potts said. "We turned it over five times in one half last week against Garden City, and that's not going to get you very far in the playoffs if you do that."
Next: Winner plays Crowell/Ira winner in the regional round, TBA

Big change with Oklahoma now chasing Baylor for Big 12 title

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

The shift at the top of the Big 12 Conference really started four years ago, when Robert Griffin III led a winning drive that pretty much clinched him a Heisman Trophy.

Baylor had never before beaten Big 12 powerhouse Oklahoma, losing all 20 previous meetings until Griffin's touchdown pass to Terrance Williams with 8 seconds left that November Saturday night in Waco.

"It was gigantic. You're talking about a team that had not only dominated Baylor, but certainly had dominated the Big 12 the previous decade ... They were the standard at that time," coach Art Briles said this week. "I'm trying to think of a way for it to be bigger, but I can't think of one. And since that time, it's allowed us to equalize not only on the football field but in the national perception and recruiting world."

When those teams play another prime-time game at Baylor on Saturday, the fourth-ranked Bears (8-0, 5-0 Big 12) are the two-time defending Big 12 champions who have won three of the last four meetings with Oklahoma — the last two in lopsided fashion.

The No. 12 Sooners (8-1, 5-1) have gone consecutive seasons without a conference title for the first time under coach Bob Stoops.

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Oakland, San Diego and St. Louis speak to NFL owners

By Barry Wilner
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Oakland, San Diego and St. Louis are making their pitches to save their teams from moving to Los Angeles.

Officials from those three cities are speaking to the league's Los Angeles, stadium and finance committees — all three of which play some role in a potential relocation. Oakland spoke first, and was followed by San Diego and then St. Louis.

The Raiders and Chargers have combined on a project in Carson, California, that would cost about $1.78 billion if approved by three-fourths of the 32 owners. Rams owner Stan Kroenke is pushing a rival project in nearby Inglewood.

No votes are scheduled for Wednesday, and the league has set a special meeting in Dallas on Dec. 2 at which substantial steps could come, including moving up from January the deadline for application to relocate.

Mayor Kevin Faulconer represented San Diego.

"Most importantly the owners got to hear the strong commitment politically and in the community to get this done in San Diego," Faulconer said about getting the Chargers a new facility and keeping them in San Diego.

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	G	S	R	C	W	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
BROADCAST																	
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Grey's A. "Something Against You" (N)		Scandal "Rasputin" (N)		Away With Murder "Hi, I'm Philip" (N)		KMID News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live		(:35) News Nightline
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	CBS 7 News	Ent. Tonight	The Big Bang (N)	Life in Pieces (N)	Mom (N)	2 Broke Girls (N)	Element "Evidence of Things Not Seen" (N)		CBS 7 News	(:35) Stephen Colbert		(:35) J.Corden
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	A. Griffith	A. Griffith	Happy Days	Laverne & Shirley	Hogan's Heroes	Hogan's Heroes	Carol Burnett	Mason "The Case of the Lavender Lipstick"		Columbo
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Modern Family	Big Bang Theory	Bones "The Promise in the Palace" (N)		Sleepy Hollow "The Art of War" (N)		TMZ	2 Broke Girls	Modern Family	Two and Half Men	Met Your Mother	Hot in Cleveland
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Lars Enarson	Zola Levitt Presents	Update News	HaYesod	Southwest "Part 1" Pt. 1 of 2 cont'd next		Light of Southwest "Part 2" Pt. 2 of 2		Joshua Caleb	Jean-Claude	Called Out	Biblical Israel
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	NewsWest 9 at 6 p.m.		Heroes "Sundae, Bloody Sundae" (N)		The Blacklist "Zal Bin Hasaan" (N)		The Player "Downtown Odds" (N)		NewsWest 9 at 10	(:35) The Tonight Show		(:35) Seth Meyers
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Masterpiece Classic "Downton Abbey, Series III" A yearly cricket match settles old scores.				Masterpiece "Downton Abbey, Series III" The Crawleys head to a Scottish hunting lodge.				World News	Tavis Smiley
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Muchacha italiana viene a casarse		Antes muerta que lichita		Pasion y poder		Yo no creo en los hombres		Noticias Tejas	Noticiero noctu.	Contacto Deportivo	
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Fam.Feud	Fam. Feud	The Mentalist		The Mentalist		Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Anger M.	Anger M.	Office	Tosh.0
PREMIUM																	
FLIX	340	575		165		(5:00) ★★ Metro		★★ Captain Ron Kurt Russell.			(:45) Going Overboard Adam Sandler.				★★ Mighty Joe Young		
HBO	300	550	14	14		Fantastic 4: Rise of the Silver S...			★★★ The Departed ('06, Thril) Leonardo DiCaprio.					Taxicab Confessions		The Leftovers	
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	(5:15) Dumb & Du...		(:15) 2 Days	24/7	Unfinished Business			(:35) ★★ The Purge: Anarchy			(:20) Dance in Ohio	
HBOS	304	552	16	102		(4:50) The Fault in O...		The Leftovers		Bill Maher		LastWeek	Two Night Stand Miles Teller.			★★★ Bad Words	
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(4:50) Enemy of the ...		(:05) ★★★ Breach Ryan Phillippe.				Blackhat ('14, Act) Chris Hemsworth.				Erotic Vampire of ...	
MAX2	382	558	18	122		(5:45) ★★★ The Last Castle				★★ You, Me and Dupree			(:50) ★★★ Idiocracy			(:15) The Knick	
PLEX			96			(5:10) Leap of Faith		★★ Falling in Love			(:50) ★★★ Pretty in Pink Molly Ringwald.				★★ Trojan War Will Friedel.		
SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	(:55) ★★ Snowpiercer Chris Evans.				The Affair		Homeland		Penn &..	NotreD.	★★ Last Vegas	
TMC	336	573	22	155	26	(4:55) Mission: Impo...		Don't Be a Menace to South C...			Tooken Ethan Suplee.			Public Enemy		A Life in Dirty Mov...	
CABLE																	
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	The First 48 "Lying in Wait/ With This Ring"		First 48 "The House on Madrona Street"		The First 48 "Blood on Bourbon" (N)		Nightwatch "In the Blink of An Eye" (N)		The First 48 "Shattered Glass"		First 48 "The House on Madrona Street"	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(4:00) The Karate Kid...		★★★ Dragon: The Bruce Lee Story Jason Scott Lee.					★★ Kickboxer Jean-Claude Van Damme.				Movie
BET	58	-		40		Martin	★★ Undercover Brother ('02, Com) Eddie Griffin.					Being Mary Jane		#TheWestbrooks		Wendy Williams	
BRAVO	65	76		41		Vanderpump Rules		TBA	Bravo (N)	Housewives "Brooks Tells All" (N)			H.Wives	Watch (N)	Real Housewives (N)		H.Wives
CNBC	46	52		39	72	Jay Leno's Garage		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Jay Leno's Garage		Jay Leno's Garage		The Profit	
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		Anthony "Istanbul"		CNN Tonight		A. Cooper 360		Anthony "Istanbul"	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Naked and Afraid		Naked and Afraid		Naked and Afraid		Naked and Afraid		Men, Women, Wild		Naked and Afraid	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Underc.	Liv Maddie	Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules				Austin	Friends	Girl M.	Jessie	GoodLuck	GoodLuck
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	Football	NCAA Football Virginia Tech at Georgia Tech (L)						SportsCenter			SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	30 for 30		30 for 30 "Chasing Tyson"			30 for 30 "No Mas"			30 for 30		ESPN Films	
FAMILY	53	63	34	42	33	(5:00) ★★★ The Notebook Ryan Gosling.				★★★ The Lucky One ('12, Dra) Zac Efron.				The 700 Club		★★ Just Married	
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File		Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File	
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Chopped		Chopped (N)		Restaurant (N)		BeatFlay	Beat Flay	Beat Flay	Beat Flay	Restaurant	
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	TexansHuddle (N)	SportsDay OnAir	Stars Pre-game (L)	NHL Hockey Winnipeg Jets at Dallas Stars Site: American Airlines Center -- Dallas, Texas (L)					Stars Live (L)	Big 12 "Women's Basketball Preview"		SportsDay OnAir
FX	31	56	59	64	69	(5:00) ★★★ Epic		★★ Despicable Me 2 Steve Carell.				★★ Despicable Me 2 Steve Carell.				The Benchwarm...	
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	(5:00) Tis the Season...		Charming Christmas (2015, Romance)				Royal Christmas ('14, Dra) Lacey Chabert.				Christmas Under ...	
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	H.Hunt	H.Hunt	Rehab	Rehab	RehabAdd	RehabAdd	H.Hunt	House (N)	H.Hunt	House	RehabAdd	RehabAdd
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Pawn S.	Pawn Star	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn (N)	Pawn (N)	(:05) Pawn	(:35) Pawn	(:05) Wild North (N)		Pawn S.	Pawn S.
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	(5:00) Project Runway "Finale Part 2" 2/2		Runway "Season 14 Reunion" (N)		Project Runway Junior (N)		(:05) Project Runway Junior		Fashionably L (N)	Fashionably Late	Project Runway "Season 14 Reunion"	
MSNBC	47	53		49	73	Hardball		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow	
NBCSN	38	43				NASCAR America (L)		Mecum Auto Auctions "Anaheim" (N)				Crazy Train (N)		OffGrid	Rallycross Global		
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	Thunder	Thunder	★★ Legally Blonde Reese Witherspoon.				F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	(3:30) The Dark Kn...		★★ Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen ('09, Act) Shia LaBeouf.							★★★ The Dark Knight		
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	(4:30) The Fifth Ele...		WWE Smackdown! (N)				Haven (N)		Games /(:15) Z Nation "Rozwell"			Haven
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Seinfeld	Seinf. "The Wait Out"	2 Broke Girls	2 Broke Girls	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	2 Broke Girls	2 Broke Girls	Conan Sean Donnelly (N)		The Office	Conan
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(5:15) The Young & t...		In the Land of the ...		(:15) ★★★ I Am Cuba ('64, Dra) Luz Maria Collazo.					(:45) ★ The Exiles		
TELE	20	-	10	20		Caso cerrado		Celia		Bajo el mismo cielo		Señora acero		Al rojo	(:35) Titular.	Bajo el mismo cielo	
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Save My Life: Boston Trauma		Save My Life: Boston Trauma		Save My Life: Boston Trauma		Save My Life: Boston Trauma		Save My Life: Boston Trauma		Save My Life: Boston Trauma	
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	Castle "Need to Know"		NBA Basketball Golden State Warriors at Minnesota Timberwolves Site: Target Center -- Minneapolis, Minn. (L)					NBA Basketball Los Angeles Clippers at Phoenix Suns Site: U.S. Airways Center -- Phoenix, Ariz. (L)				
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	FactsLife	FactsLife	FactsLife	(:50) Ray	(:25) Loves Ray		Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
USA	26	55	42	27	49	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Games/(:15) Modern	(:45) Modern	(:15) Modern	(:45) Modern
WGN	19	85				Elementary "A Giant Gun, Filled With Drugs"		Elementary "Details"		Elementary "Possibility Two"		America's Funniest Home Videos		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother

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NBAROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

MAVERICKS 118
CLIPPERS 108

DALLAS — Dirk Nowitzki scored a season-high 31 points Wednesday night to lead Dallas to a 118-108 victory over the Los Angeles Clippers in DeAndre Jordan's first visit since backing out on an agreement to sign with the Mavericks in free agency.

A tight second half upstaged the sideshow of the return of Jordan, who was booed throughout before coach Doc Rivers pulled him in the fourth quarter with Dallas successfully using the hack-a-Jordan tactic against one of the NBA's worst free throw shooters.

Zaza Pachulia, the consolation prize at center after Dallas missed out on Jordan, made two free throws to put Dallas ahead for good at 108-106.

NETS 106
ROCKETS 98

HOUSTON — Coach Lionel Hollins and the Brooklyn Nets have been working hard all season with nothing to show for it.

That work finally paid off Wednesday night with their first win of the season.

Bojan Bogdanovic came off the bench to score a season-high 22 points with nine rebounds and lead the Nets to a 106-98 victory over the Houston Rockets.

The Nets entered the game 0-7 and the Rockets had won four straight after opening the season 0-3.

"When you get a win it validates all the preaching and all the working that you're doing," Hollins said.

RAPTORS 119
76ERS 103

PHILADELPHIA — After a buzzer-beating 3 put the 76ers on the ropes, Kyle Lowry had fellow Philly native and boxer Danny Garcia at his side in the locker room for a postgame celebration.

They were there for the latest KO against the Sixers.

Lowry scored 23 points and Luis Scola had 21 to help the Toronto Raptors snap a three-game losing streak with a 119-103 victory over the winless Philadelphia 76ers on Wednesday night.

HAWKS 106
PELICANS 98

ATLANTA — The Atlanta Hawks have plenty of guys who can hit 3-pointers.

Add Al Horford to the list.

Showing off his improved shooting range and taking advantage of Anthony Davis' absence, Horford scored 26 points to lead the Hawks to a 106-98 victory over the injury depleted New Orleans Pelicans on Wednesday night.

WARRIORS 100
GRIZZLIES 84

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Stephen Curry scored 28 points and Andre Iguodala added 20 as the Golden State Warriors matched a franchise record for most wins to start a season with a 100-84 victory over the Memphis Grizzlies on Wednesday night.

Harrison Barnes added 19 points for Golden State, which won its ninth straight to open the season. Curry's was 9 of 21 from the field, but only 3 of 10 from outside the arc. The Warriors finished shooting 41 percent from 3-point range, 11 of 27.

PACERS 102
CELTICS 91

BOSTON — Paul George has been on a solid run offensively. He takes more pride, though, in what he's giving his team defensively.

George scored 26 points and grabbed 10 rebounds to lead the Indiana Pacers to 102-91 victory over the Boston Celtics on Wednesday night.

"It's how I made my name in this league, wanting to guard the best player or match up against the best player," George said. "That's what I do. It's fun to me. I don't take it as it's going to drain me or tire me out. It energizes me when I can get a stop on the best player. It gets me going when I can get a stop against the best guy on the other team."

George, who had averaged 31.7 points in the last three games, fell short of his third 30-point effort in four games. This is coming after he missed most of last season with a compound fracture of both bones in his lower right leg when he landed awkwardly while playing for the U.S. National team.

MAGIC 101
LAKERS 99

ORLANDO, Fla. — Nik Vucevic didn't start for the Orlando Magic on Wednesday night against the Los Angeles Lakers. The 7-foot center certainly finished.

Vucevic, who started all 223 games he has played for Orlando over the past four seasons, came off the bench for the first time and scored 18 points, including a fallaway 18-footer at the buzzer to lift the Magic past the Lakers 101-99.

"I didn't decide I could play until just before the game, so I was OK with not starting," said Vucevic, who missed the previous three games with a bruised knee. "I was just glad the coach (Scott Skiles) had confidence in me to take the last shot. That was a difficult matchup."

NBA STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	6	3	.667	—
New York	4	5	.444	2
Boston	3	4	.429	2
Brooklyn	1	7	.125	4½
Philadelphia	0	8	.000	5½

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	8	2	.800	—
Miami	5	3	.625	2
Charlotte	4	4	.500	3
Orlando	4	5	.444	3½
Washington	3	4	.429	3½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	7	1	.875	—
Detroit	5	2	.714	1½
Chicago	5	3	.625	2
Indiana	5	4	.556	2½
Milwaukee	4	5	.444	3½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	5	2	.714	—
Dallas	4	4	.500	1½
Houston	4	4	.500	1½
Memphis	3	6	.333	3
New Orleans	1	7	.125	4½

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	5	3	.625	—
Minnesota	4	3	.571	½
Utah	4	3	.571	½
Denver	4	4	.500	1
Portland	4	4	.500	1

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Golden State	9	0	1.000	—
L.A. Clippers	5	3	.625	3½
Phoenix	3	4	.429	5
Sacramento	1	7	.125	7½
L.A. Lakers	1	7	.125	7½

Wednesday's Scores

Toronto 119, Philadelphia 103
Orlando 101, L.A. Lakers 99
Charlotte 95, New York 93
Indiana 102, Boston 91
Golden State 100, Memphis 84
Brooklyn 106, Houston 98
Dallas 118, L.A. Clippers 108
Atlanta 106, New Orleans 98
Denver 103, Milwaukee 102
Detroit at Sacramento, late
San Antonio at Portland, late

Today's Games

Utah at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
Golden State at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.

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REPORTER-TELEGRAM FOOTBALL PREDICTIONS

Week 12
Nov. 13—Nov. 16

Chris Hadorn
Last week: 14-6
Season: 171-49
Percent: .777

Oscar LeRoy
Last week: 13-7
Season: 164-56
Percent.: .745

Terry Williamson
Last week: 11-9
Season: 163-57
Percent: .740

Will Korn
Last week: 112-8
Season: 153-67
Percent: .695

John Tee
Last week: 11-9
Season: 153-67
Percent: .695

Guest Picker
Meredith Wright
MRT Special Publications Editor

	Chris Hadorn	Oscar LeRoy	Terry Williamson	Will Korn	John Tee	Guest Picker Meredith Wright
High school playoffs						
Midland High at Arlington Martin	Arlington Martin	Arlington Martin	Arlington Martin	Arlington Martin	Arlington Martin	Arlington Martin
Arlington Bowie at Odessa Permian	Odessa Permian	Odessa Permian	Odessa Permian	Odessa Permian	Odessa Permian	Odessa Permian
Arlington High at San Angelo Central	San Angelo Central	San Angelo Central	San Angelo Central	San Angelo Central	San Angelo Central	San Angelo Central
Abilene High at Arlington Lamar	Abilene High	Arlington Lamar	Arlington Lamar	Arlington Lamar	Arlington Lamar	Arlington Lamar
Andrews vs. Lubbock Estacado	Andrews	Andrews	Andrews	Andrews	Andrews	Andrews
Greenwood vs. Perryton	Greenwood	Greenwood	Greenwood	Greenwood	Greenwood	Perryton
Forsan vs. Windthorst	Forsan	Forsan	Forsan	Forsan	Forsan	Forsan
Garden City at Robert Lee	Garden City	Garden City	Garden City	Garden City	Garden City	Garden City
Rankin vs. Sterling City	Sterling City	Sterling City	Sterling City	Sterling City	Sterling City	Sterling City
Midland Christian at Brownsville St. Joseph	Midland Christian	Midland Christian	Midland Christian	Midland Christian	Midland Christian	Midland Christian
Sugarland Logos Prep at Trinity	Trinity	Trinity	Trinity	Trinity	Trinity	Trinity
Iraan vs. Miles at Grande Communications Stadium	Iraan	Iraan	Iraan	Iraan	Iraan	Iraan
Coleman vs. Alpine at Grande Communications Stadium	Coleman	Coleman	Coleman	Coleman	Coleman	Coleman
College						
Kansas State at Texas Tech	Texas Tech	Texas Tech	Kansas State	Texas Tech	Texas Tech	Texas Tech
Oklahoma at Baylor	Baylor	Baylor	Oklahoma	Baylor	Baylor	Oklahoma
Texas at West Virginia	West Virginia	West Virginia	West Virginia	Texas	West Virginia	Texas
Memphis at Houston	Houston	Memphis	Houston	Houston	Houston	Houston
Pro						
Dallas at Tampa Bay	Dallas	Dallas	Tampa Bay	Tampa Bay	Dallas	Tampa Bay
Houston at Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Cincinnati	Cincinnati
New England at N.Y. Giants	New England	New England	New England	New England	New England	New England

How guest pickers have fared this season

Last week's guest picker Sherry McCrary was 10-10. This year's guest pickers are 157-63 (.713 percent).

MC BASEBALL SIGNINGS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Gurrola signs with North Florida

Gurrola

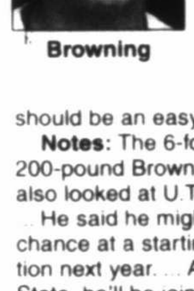
Yahir Gurrola
Midland College outfielder
Signing school: University of North Florida, NCAA Division I, Jacksonville, Fla.
Hometown: El Paso (El Dorado High School)
Gurrola on why he chose North Florida: "(Former MC outfielder Chris Thibideau) went to that school and all I hear are good things about that school. I also think it's a good program. I also really like playing in Florida."
Notes: The 6-foot-1, 180-pound Gurrola said he looked at couple of other schools but none of them stood out like North Florida. The Ospreys went 45-16 last year and won the Atlantic Sun Conference regular season championship. ... Gurrola made a big impact as a freshman last season, hitting .391 with four home runs, 43 RBI and 44 runs scored in 52 games (48 starts).

Davidson picks N.C. State

Davidson

Tucker Davidson
Midland College left-handed pitcher
Signing school: North Carolina State, NCAA Division I, Raleigh, N.C.
Hometown: Amarillo (Tascosa High School)
Davidson on why he chose N.C. State: "I went on a visit over Halloween weekend and I just fell in love with the place. The campus was beautiful with all the trees, liked the campus a lot and I liked the coaching staff a lot."
Notes: The 6-foot-2, 205-pound Davidson said he chose the Wolfpack over TCU and U.T.-San Antonio. Davidson said he would love to be a starter but just wants the opportunity to play at that level. ... The Wolfpack went 36-23 and made its third NCAA super regional appearance during the 2015 season. ... Last season, Davidson developed into a solid starting pitcher for the Chaparrals and ended up with a 3-0 record with one complete game and a 6.11 ERA.

Browning heading to Angelo State



Browning

Shane Browning
Midland College
right-handed pitcher
Signing school: Angelo State, NCAA Division II, San Angelo.
Hometown: Lubbock (Lubbock High)
Browning on why he chose Angelo State: "It just felt like an extended version of Midland. The head coach (Kevin Brooks) coached with (MC head coach David Coleman) down at Texas A&M, so they kind of have the same philosophies. It should be an easy transition."
Notes: The 6-foot-2, 200-pound Browning said he also looked at U.T.-Arlington. ... He said he might have a chance at a starting position next year. ... At Angelo State, he'll be joining former MC pitcher Dustin Angel and former MC infielder Jay Gonzalez, while former Chap pitcher Jayden Odell will be going into his senior season with the Rams. ... ASU went 42-18 last year and went to the DII College World Series for the second straight year. ... As an MC freshman, Browning went 4-1 with a 3.91 ERA before battling elbow trouble late in the season.

FOOTBALL CAPSULES

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CLASS 2A DIVISION I
BI-DISTRICT
FORSAN VS. WINDTHORST
When/where: 7 p.m., Chesley Stadium, Cisco
On the air: KXCS-FM (105.5), Big Spring
Records: Forsan 8-2; Windthorst 5-5
Last game: Forsan 39, Christoval 17 (Oct. 30); Stamford 21, Windthorst 7
Last meeting/series: Windthorst defeated Forsan 20-14 in 2013 in the teams' only previous meeting.
Three things to watch
■ Forsan had its bye at the end of the regular season but coach Jason Phillips said it was good for his team to get rested for the playoffs and work on a few things.
■ Phillips said Windthorst will be the biggest team his Buffaloes have faced this seasons, plus the Trojans have a talented receiver in Garret Syrus (1,012 yards receiving, 11 TDs) and a talented running back in Caleb Lindley (1,353 yards rushing, 15 TDs). He added that they'll be similar to Christoval in that they like to throw the ball.
■ Phillips said the keys will be to limit Syrus' and Lindley's touches as much as possible and control the line of scrimmage.
"Our offensive line has been good all year and we've got some speed in the backfield that we've been able to make plays. We're going to need another similar performance," he said. "We also have some speed on the defensive line that could cause them problems."
Next: Winner plays Abernathy/Wellington winner in the area round, TBA

CLASS 1A DIVISION I
BI-DISTRICT
RANKIN VS. NO. 10 STERLING CITY
When/where: 7:30 p.m., Bearkat Stadium, Garden City
Records: Rankin 4-6; Sterling City 9-1
Last game: Garden City 72, Rankin 20; Sterling City 56, Veribest 6
Last meeting/series: Sterling City defeated Rankin 60-12 on Oct. 9 but Rankin leads the all-time series 15-7.
Three things to watch
■ Rankin looks to bounce back from a disappointing mercy-rule loss to Garden City last week as five turnovers cost the Red Devils in the game to decide the District 5-1A Division I title.
■ The good news is that the Red Devils are back in the playoffs after just missing out last year, despite being in a three-way tie for the district title.
■ Rankin coach Pat Potts said his team has to play well against the Eagles and his team must find a way to slow down their speedy running backs.
"We've got to take care of the ball," Potts said. "We turned it over five times in one half last week against Garden City, and that's not going to get you very far in the playoffs if you do that."
Next: Winner plays Crowell/Ira winner in the regional round, TBA

Big change with Oklahoma now chasing Baylor for Big 12 title

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

The shift at the top of the Big 12 Conference really started four years ago, when Robert Griffin III led a winning drive that pretty much clinched him a Heisman Trophy.

Baylor had never before beaten Big 12 powerhouse Oklahoma, losing all 20 previous meetings until Griffin's touchdown pass to Terrance Williams with 8 seconds left that November Saturday night in Waco.

"It was gigantic. You're talking about a team that had not only dominated Baylor, but certainly had dominated the Big 12 the previous decade ... They were the standard at that time," coach Art Briles said this week. "I'm trying to think of a way for it to be bigger, but I can't think of one. And since that time, it's allowed us to equalize not only on the football field but in the national perception and recruiting world."

When those teams play another prime-time game at Baylor on Saturday, the fourth-ranked Bears (8-0, 5-0 Big 12) are the two-time defending Big 12 champions who have won three of the last four meetings with Oklahoma — the last two in lopsided fashion.

The No. 12 Sooners (8-1, 5-1) have gone consecutive seasons without a conference title for the first time under coach Bob Stoops.

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Oakland, San Diego and St. Louis speak to NFL owners

By Barry Wilner
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Oakland, San Diego and St. Louis are making their pitches to save their teams from moving to Los Angeles.

Officials from those three cities are speaking to the league's Los Angeles, stadium and finance committees — all three of which play some role in a potential relocation. Oakland spoke first, and was followed by San Diego and then St. Louis.

The Raiders and Chargers have combined on a project in Carson, California, that would cost about $1.78 billion if approved by three-fourths of the 32 owners. Rams owner Stan Kroenke is pushing a rival project in nearby Inglewood.

No votes are scheduled for Wednesday, and the league has set a special meeting in Dallas on Dec. 2 at which substantial steps could come, including moving up from January the deadline for application to relocate.

Mayor Kevin Faulconer represented San Diego.

"Most importantly the owners got to hear the strong commitment politically and in the community to get this done in San Diego," Faulconer said about getting the Chargers a new facility and keeping them in San Diego.

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KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Grey's A. "Something Against You" (N)		Scandal "Rasputin" (N)		Away With Murder "Hi, I'm Philip" (N)		KMID News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live		(:35) News Nightline
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	CBS 7 News	Ent. Tonight	The Big Bang (N)	Life in Pieces (N)	Mom (N)	2 Broke Girls (N)	Element "Evidence of Things Not Seen" (N)		CBS 7 News	(:35) Stephen Colbert		(:35) J.Corden
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	A. Griffith	A. Griffith	Happy Days	Laverne & Shirley	Hogan's Heroes	Hogan's Heroes	Carol Burnett	Mason "The Case of the Lavender Lipstick"		Columbo
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Modern Family	Big Bang Theory	Bones "The Promise in the Palace" (N)		Sleepy Hollow "The Art of War" (N)		TMZ	2 Broke Girls	Modern Family	Two and Half Men	Met Your Mother	Hot in Cleveland
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KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	NewsWest 9 at 6 p.m.		Heroes "Sundae, Bloody Sundae" (N)		The Blacklist "Zal Bin Hasaan" (N)		The Player "Downtown Odds" (N)		NewsWest 9 at 10	(:35) The Tonight Show		(:35) Seth Meyers
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Masterpiece Classic "Downton Abbey, Series III" A yearly cricket match settles old scores.				Masterpiece "Downton Abbey, Series III" The Crawleys head to a Scottish hunting lodge.				World News	Tavis Smiley
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FLIX	340	575		165		(5:00) ★★ Metro		★★ Captain Ron Kurt Russell.			(:45) Going Overboard Adam Sandler.				★★ Mighty Joe Young		
HBO	300	550	14	14		Fantastic 4: Rise of the Silver S...			★★★ The Departed ('06, Thril) Leonardo DiCaprio.					Taxicab Confessions		The Leftovers	
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	(5:15) Dumb & Du...		(:15) 2 Days	24/7	Unfinished Business			(:35) ★★ The Purge: Anarchy			(:20) Dance in Ohio	
HBOS	304	552	16	102		(4:50) The Fault in O...		The Leftovers		Bill Maher		LastWeek	Two Night Stand Miles Teller.			★★★ Bad Words	
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(4:50) Enemy of the...		(:05) ★★★ Breach Ryan Phillippe.				Blackhat ('14, Act) Chris Hemsworth.				Erotic Vampire of ...	
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PLEX			96			(5:10) Leap of Faith		★★ Falling in Love			(:50) ★★★ Pretty in Pink Molly Ringwald.				★★ Trojan War Will Friedel.		
SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	(:55) ★★ Snowpiercer Chris Evans.				The Affair		Homeland		Penn &..	NotreD.	★★ Last Vegas	
TMC	336	573	22	155	26	(4:55) Mission: Impo...		Don't Be a Menace to South C...			Tooken Ethan Suplee.			Public Enemy		A Life in Dirty Mov...	
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	The First 48 "Lying in Wait/ With This Ring"		First 48 "The House on Madrona Street"		The First 48 "Blood on Bourbon" (N)		Nightwatch "In the Blink of An Eye" (N)		The First 48 "Shattered Glass"		First 48 "The House on Madrona Street"	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(4:00) The Karate Kid...		★★★ Dragon: The Bruce Lee Story Jason Scott Lee.					★★ Kickboxer Jean-Claude Van Damme.				Movie
BET	58	-		40		Martin	★★ Undercover Brother ('02, Com) Eddie Griffin.					Being Mary Jane		#TheWestbrooks		Wendy Williams	
BRAVO	65	76		41		Vanderpump Rules		TBA	Bravo (N)	Housewives "Brooks Tells All" (N)			H.Wives	Watch (N)	Real Housewives (N)		H.Wives
CNBC	46	52		39	72	Jay Leno's Garage		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Jay Leno's Garage		Jay Leno's Garage		The Profit	
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		Anthony "Istanbul"		CNN Tonight		A. Cooper 360		Anthony "Istanbul"	
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DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Underc.	Liv Maddie	Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules				Austin	Friends	Girl M.	Jessie	GoodLuck	GoodLuck
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	Football	NCAA Football Virginia Tech at Georgia Tech (L)						SportsCenter			SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	30 for 30		30 for 30 "Chasing Tyson"			30 for 30 "No Mas"			30 for 30		ESPN Films	
FAMILY	53	63	34	42	33	(5:00) ★★★ The Notebook Ryan Gosling.				★★★ The Lucky One ('12, Dra) Zac Efron.				The 700 Club		★★ Just Married	
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File		Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File	
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Chopped		Chopped (N)		Restaurant (N)		BeatFlay	Beat Flay	Beat Flay	Beat Flay	Restaurant	
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	TexansHuddle (N)	SportsDay OnAir	Stars Pregame (L)	NHL Hockey Winnipeg Jets at Dallas Stars Site: American Airlines Center -- Dallas, Texas (L)					Stars Live (L)	Big 12 "Women's Basketball Preview"		SportsDay OnAir
FX	31	56	59	64	69	(5:00) ★★★ Epic		★★ Despicable Me 2 Steve Carell.				★★ Despicable Me 2 Steve Carell.				The Benchwarm...	
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	(5:00) Tis the Season...		Charming Christmas (2015, Romance)				Royal Christmas ('14, Dra) Lacey Chabert.				Christmas Under ...	
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	H.Hunt	H.Hunt	Rehab	Rehab	RehabAdd	RehabAdd	H.Hunt	House (N)	H.Hunt	House	RehabAdd	RehabAdd
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Pawn S.	Pawn Star	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn (N)	Pawn (N)	(:05) Pawn	(:35) Pawn	(:05) Wild North (N)		Pawn S.	Pawn S.
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	(5:00) Project Runway "Finale Part 2" 2/2		Runway "Season 14 Reunion" (N)		Project Runway Junior (N)		(:05) Project Runway Junior		Fashionably L (N)	Fashionably Late	Project Runway "Season 14 Reunion"	
MSNBC	47	53		49	73	Hardball		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow	
NBCSN	38	43				NASCAR America (L)		Mecum Auto Auctions "Anaheim" (N)				Crazy Train (N)		OffGrid	Rallycross Global		
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	Thunder	Thunder	★★ Legally Blonde Reese Witherspoon.				F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	(3:30) The Dark Kn...		★★ Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen ('09, Act) Shia LaBeouf.							★★★ The Dark Knight		
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	(4:30) The Fifth Ele...		WWE Smackdown! (N)				Haven (N)		Games /(:15) Z Nation "Rozwell"			Haven
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Seinfeld	Seinf. "The Wait Out"	2 Broke Girls	2 Broke Girls	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	2 Broke Girls	2 Broke Girls	Conan Sean Donnelly (N)		The Office	Conan
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(5:15) The Young & t...		In the Land of the ...		(:15) ★★★ I Am Cuba ('64, Dra) Luz Maria Collazo.					(:45) ★ The Exiles		
TELE	20	-	10	20		Caso cerrado		Celia		Bajo el mismo cielo		Señora acero		Al rojo	(:35) Titular.	Bajo el mismo cielo	
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Save My Life: Boston Trauma		Save My Life: Boston Trauma		Save My Life: Boston Trauma		Save My Life: Boston Trauma		Save My Life: Boston Trauma		Save My Life: Boston Trauma	
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	Castle "Need to Know"		NBA Basketball Golden State Warriors at Minnesota Timberwolves Site: Target Center -- Minneapolis, Minn. (L)					NBA Basketball Los Angeles Clippers at Phoenix Suns Site U.S. Airways Center -- Phoenix, Ariz. (L)				
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	FactsLife	FactsLife	FactsLife	(:50) Ray	(:25) Loves Ray		Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
USA	26	55	42	27	49	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Games/(:15) Modern	(:45) Modern	(:15) Modern	(:45) Modern
WGN	19	85				Elementary "A Giant Gun, Filled With Drugs"		Elementary "Details"		Elementary "Possibility Two"		America's Funniest Home Videos		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother

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NBAROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

MAVERICKS 118
CLIPPERS 108

DALLAS — Dirk Nowitzki scored a season-high 31 points Wednesday night to lead Dallas to a 118-108 victory over the Los Angeles Clippers in DeAndre Jordan's first visit since backing out on an agreement to sign with the Mavericks in free agency.

A tight second half upstaged the sideshow of the return of Jordan, who was booed throughout before coach Doc Rivers pulled him in the fourth quarter with Dallas successfully using the hack-a-Jordan tactic against one of the NBA's worst free throw shooters.

Zaza Pachulia, the consolation prize at center after Dallas missed out on Jordan, made two free throws to put Dallas ahead for good at 108-106.

NETS 106
ROCKETS 98

HOUSTON — Coach Lionel Hollins and the Brooklyn Nets have been working hard all season with nothing to show for it.

That work finally paid off Wednesday night with their first win of the season.

Bojan Bogdanovic came off the bench to score a season-high 22 points with nine rebounds and lead the Nets to a 106-98 victory over the Houston Rockets.

The Nets entered the game 0-7 and the Rockets had won four straight after opening the season 0-3.

"When you get a win it validates all the preaching and all the working that you're doing," Hollins said.

RAPTORS 119
76ERS 103

PHILADELPHIA — After a buzzer-beating 3 put the 76ers on the ropes, Kyle Lowry had fellow Philly native and boxer Danny Garcia at his side in the locker room for a postgame celebration.

They were there for the latest KO against the Sixers.

Lowry scored 23 points and Luis Scola had 21 to help the Toronto Raptors snap a three-game losing streak with a 119-103 victory over the winless Philadelphia 76ers on Wednesday night.

HAWKS 106
PELICANS 98

ATLANTA — The Atlanta Hawks have plenty of guys who can hit 3-pointers.

Add Al Horford to the list.

Showing off his improved shooting range and taking advantage of Anthony Davis' absence, Horford scored 26 points to lead the Hawks to a 106-98 victory over the injury depleted New Orleans Pelicans on Wednesday night.

WARRIORS 100
GRIZZLIES 84

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Stephen Curry scored 28 points and Andre Iguodala added 20 as the Golden State Warriors matched a franchise record for most wins to start a season with a 100-84 victory over the Memphis Grizzlies on Wednesday night.

Harrison Barnes added 19 points for Golden State, which won its ninth straight to open the season. Curry's was 9 of 21 from the field, but only 3 of 10 from outside the arc. The Warriors finished shooting 41 percent from 3-point range, 11 of 27.

PACERS 102
CELTICS 91

BOSTON — Paul George has been on a solid run offensively. He takes more pride, though, in what he's giving his team defensively.

George scored 26 points and grabbed 10 rebounds to lead the Indiana Pacers to 102-91 victory over the Boston Celtics on Wednesday night.

"It's how I made my name in this league, wanting to guard the best player or match up against the best player," George said. "That's what I do. It's fun to me. I don't take it as it's going to drain me or tire me out. It energizes me when I can get a stop on the best player. It gets me going when I can get a stop against the best guy on the other team."

George, who had averaged 31.7 points in the last three games, fell short of his third 30-point effort in four games. This is coming after he missed most of last season with a compound fracture of both bones in his lower right leg when he landed awkwardly while playing for the U.S. National team.

MAGIC 101
LAKERS 99

ORLANDO, Fla. — Nik Vucevic didn't start for the Orlando Magic on Wednesday night against the Los Angeles Lakers. The 7-foot center certainly finished.

Vucevic, who started all 223 games he has played for Orlando over the past four seasons, came off the bench for the first time and scored 18 points, including a fallaway 18-footer at the buzzer to lift the Magic past the Lakers 101-99.

"I didn't decide I could play until just before the game, so I was OK with not starting," said Vucevic, who missed the previous three games with a bruised knee. "I was just glad the coach (Scott Skiles) had confidence in me to take the last shot. That was a difficult matchup."

NBA STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	6	3	.667	—
New York	4	5	.444	2
Boston	3	4	.429	2
Brooklyn	1	7	.125	4½
Philadelphia	0	8	.000	5½

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	8	2	.800	—
Miami	5	3	.625	2
Charlotte	4	4	.500	3
Orlando	4	5	.444	3½
Washington	3	4	.429	3½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	7	1	.875	—
Detroit	5	2	.714	1½
Chicago	5	3	.625	2
Indiana	5	4	.556	2½
Milwaukee	4	5	.444	3½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	5	2	.714	—
Dallas	4	4	.500	1½
Houston	4	4	.500	1½
Memphis	3	6	.333	3
New Orleans	1	7	.125	4½

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	5	3	.625	—
Minnesota	4	3	.571	½
Utah	4	3	.571	½
Denver	4	4	.500	1
Portland	4	4	.500	1

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Golden State	9	0	1.000	—
L.A. Clippers	5	3	.625	3½
Phoenix	3	4	.429	5
Sacramento	1	7	.125	7½
L.A. Lakers	1	7	.125	7½

Wednesday's Scores

Toronto 119, Philadelphia 103
Orlando 101, L.A. Lakers 99
Charlotte 95, New York 93
Indiana 102, Boston 91
Golden State 100, Memphis 84
Brooklyn 106, Houston 98
Dallas 118, L.A. Clippers 108
Atlanta 106, New Orleans 98
Denver 103, Milwaukee 102
Detroit at Sacramento, late
San Antonio at Portland, late

Today's Games

Utah at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
Golden State at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.

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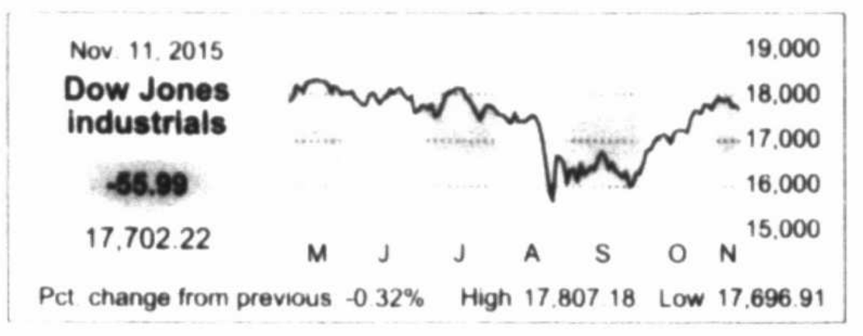

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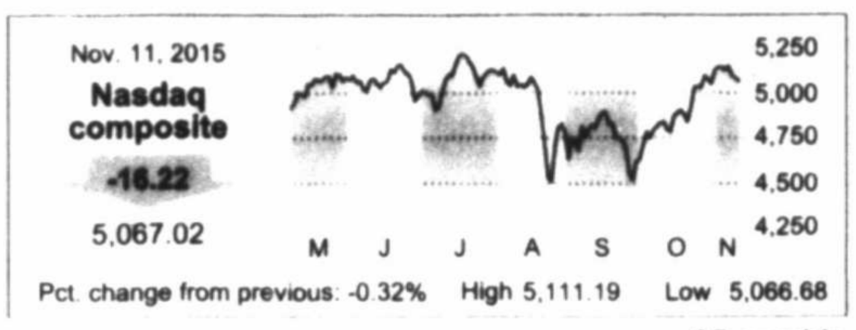

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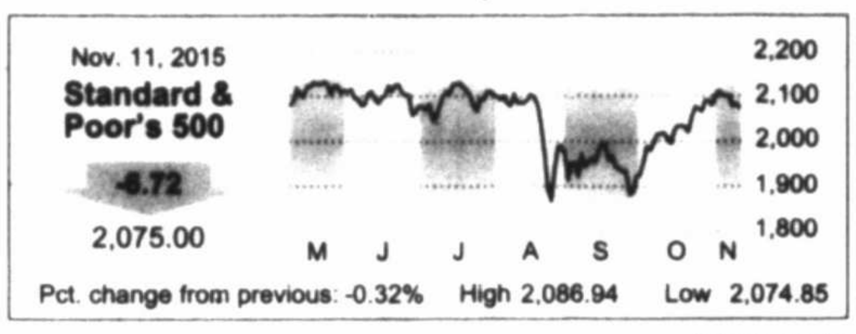

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OIL PRICES

FUTURES
Wednesday: $42.93
Previous: $44.21

POSTED
Wednesday: $39.25
Previous: $40.75

WEST TEXAS SOUR
Wednesday: $36.35
Previous: $37.85

NATURAL GAS
Wednesday: $2.263
Previous: $2.320

Anadarko has pulled offer to buy Apache, CEO says

By Collin Eaton
Houston Chronicle

HOUSTON — The CEO of Anadarko Petroleum Corp. has confirmed his company recently approached smaller rival Apache Corp. with a proposal for an all-stock acquisition, but after being "summarily rejected" Anadarko withdrew the offer and will no longer pursue a deal.

"We are unwilling to pursue the transaction without access to detailed non-public information," Anadarko Chairman, President and CEO Al Walker said in a written statement on Wednesday, noting that Apache appears to be trading "at or near full value currently."

He said Anadarko had proposed the deal because shareholders of both firms could benefit from Apache — a company he said has lagged in both financial and operational performance — entering the larger firm's corporate fold. But Apache rejected the deal and "no discussions of substance occurred," Walker said.

Apache, worth $18.8 billion on the stock market Wednesday, declined to comment.

Citigroup investment banker Stephen Trauber said Anadarko's out-of-the-blue bid for Apache is an early salvo into a potential acquisition wave as oil majors and large independent producers take advantage of low corporate valuations of their smaller rivals, though merger activity isn't likely to begin in earnest for at least another six months.

"We're probably near the bottom," in terms of oil prices, Trauber said. "Valuations are low and if you believe the sector is going to improve over the next two to five years, this is a pretty good opportunity to buy good assets at a relatively low valuation."

Anadarko's statement comes after initial reports that Apache, which has cut its workforce by 20 percent this year, had been in talks to sell itself to an unknown buyer, which analysts speculated could be Exxon Mobil Corp. or another oil major.

Apache's share price had surged earlier this week on speculation it would be taken over by a larger company. But Anadarko shares had dropped nearly 7 percent when reports by Bloomberg and others indicated The Woodlands-based oil explorer was the potential suitor.

Walker said the initial non-binding, all-stock offer sent to Apache included a modest premium and "would have been highly accretive to Anadarko on a cash flow per-share basis, even before synergies."

But industry observers say the deal wouldn't have been a good fit. Analysts at Houston-based Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. said they saw little need for Anadarko to bolster its operations with Apache's "scattered footprint, much of which is outside the core unconventional fairways."

"We would be hard pressed to see how buying large mature fields internationally would strategically fit and how it would be accretive for the organization given Apache has done a great job efficiently running both Egypt and the North Sea," the analysts said.

Stocks end lower

Stock indexes ended lower Wednesday after a day of wavering between small gains and losses. A weak report from Macy's pushed retail stocks lower, and energy stocks retreated as the price of oil fell.

Macy's plunged 14 percent, its largest one-day drop in seven years. Other retailers slumped as investors took its results as a warning about third-quarter sales and the upcoming holiday shopping season.

October's big rally is fading into the distance, but most of the market's recent losses have been small. Stocks have lost ground for five of the last six trading days, leaving the market with a meager gain for the year to date.

The Dow Jones industrial average lost 55.99 points, or 0.3 percent, to 17,702.22. The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 6.72 points, or 0.3 percent, to 2,075. The Nasdaq composite gave up 16.22 points, or 0.3 percent, to 5,067.02.

Macy's third-quarter sales were lower than analysts expected, prompting the owner of the Bloomingdale's chain to cut its profit forecast for the year. Macy's also said it will close more stores. Its shares sank $6.58, or 14 percent, to $40.44.

Metals end lower

The price of gold declined $3.60 to $1,084.90 an ounce. Silver fell 9.3 cents to $14.26 an ounce. Copper was little changed at $2.218 a pound.

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
GenElec	1927610	30.67	+.55
SunEdison	1230318	4.90	-.87
S&P500ETF	628293	207.74	-.82
BkofAm	583534	17.75	-.10
Synchrony	415543	30.93	-.15

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Roundys	3.57	+1.39	+63.8
AmiraNatF	7.61	+2.47	+48.1
Glaukos n	21.99	+3.23	+17.2
DaqoNEn	15.11	+1.42	+10.4
EnzoBio	4.24	+.38	+9.8

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
EverydayH	6.72	-3.33	-33.1
Eros Intl	8.25	-3.78	-31.4
BoxSh pfC	9.86	-3.89	-28.3
SafeBlk pfB	15.76	-4.42	-21.9
BootBarn	12.05	-2.77	-18.7

DIARY

Advanced	1,332
Declined	1,781
Unchanged	94
Total issues	3,207
New Highs	60
New Lows	118
Volume	3,578,708,125

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
BarcGSOil	32246	8.10	-.17
B2gold g	32049	1.02	-.02
NwGold g	30582	2.33	-.02
NthnO&G	23155	4.94	-.43
CheniereEn	22831	45.10	-1.84

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
NobilisH n	3.60	+.22	+6.5
BovieMed	2.00	+.12	+6.4
StrPathCm	11.54	+.65	+6.0
LadThalFn	2.94	+.16	+5.8
TransEntx	2.77	+.13	+4.9

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
YumaE pfA	7.38	-1.14	-13.4
GreenH pfC	4.22	-.63	-13.0
EnerJex pf	2.32	-.22	-8.6
EnviroStr	3.59	-.33	-8.3
NthnO&G	4.94	-.43	-8.0

DIARY

Advanced	153
Declined	222
Unchanged	23
Total issues	398
New Highs	2
New Lows	14
Volume	54,217,686

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Apple Inc	442310	116.11	-.66
Microsoft	335255	53.65	+.14
SiriusXM	311504	4.13	-.01
Cisco	306659	27.82	-.16
HorizPhm	247489	17.99	-4.39

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
DigitalAlly	7.51	+1.61	+27.3
Pulmatrix	4.63	+.93	+25.1
Calithera	7.84	+1.13	+16.8
HackettGp	18.28	+2.35	+14.8
Eco-StimE	4.91	+.60	+13.9

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SkylineMed	3.74	-1.48	-28.4
CpstnTur rs	2.17	-.62	-22.2
SemlerSci h	2.69	-.72	-21.2
Syneron	6.11	-1.54	-20.1
HorizPhm	17.99	-4.39	-19.6

DIARY

Advanced	978
Declined	1,781
Unchanged	161
Total issues	2,920
New Highs	93
New Lows	116
Volume	1,643,741,514

Oilfield services company Baker Hughes lays off 67 workers

Associated Press

FARMINGTON, N.M. — An oilfield services company in the Four Corners region has laid off 67 workers, citing low oil and gas prices.

Baker Hughes Pressure Pumping district manager Robert "Kevin" Jones told the Daily Times of Farmington that the company announced the layoffs on Tuesday.

Baker Hughes spokeswoman Melanie Kania said that after the layoffs, the company will still employ about 250 workers in New Mexico.

The company sent a WARN, or Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act, letter to Farmington Mayor Tommy Roberts and to the state Department of Workforce Solutions to alert them to the layoffs.

In the Nov. 10 letter, Brian Dockey, Baker Hughes' human resources official, said that the company's decision to permanently lay off workers was a reaction to slumping oil and gas prices on the commodities market. Dockey also said the layoffs were companywide.

The layoffs included 39 field operators and other workers.

New Mexico Oil and Gas Association spokesman Wally Drangmeister said that the news was unfortunate but not entirely a surprise because of the hit oil and gas prices have taken on the commodities market. With just two rigs drilling in the San Juan Basin, Drangmeister said the local industry is having to scale back development.

"This news from Baker Hughes speaks to the challenges that we are facing in the northwest New Mexico," Drangmeister said.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $59.33 Down 1.59

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $107.18 Down 4.16

Dawson Operating (DWSN)
Closing Price $4.34 Down 0.29

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $79.83 Up 0.23

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $3.47 Down 0.20

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $2.70 Unchanged

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $23.07 Down 0.34

RSP Permian (RSPP)
Closing Price $27.77 Down 0.69

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $10.10 Down 0.53

Viper Energy Partners (VNOM)
Closing Price $15.69 Down 0.24

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.88	36	32.92	+.13	2.0
Abraxas	...	7	1.34	-.11	-54.4
AdaDvsEq	1.17e	...	13.64	-.03	-.3
AEtern g h			.05	.01	91.7
Alcoa	.12	12	8.08	-.27	-48.8
Alibaba		50	79.85	-1.58	-23.2
AlonUSA	.60	11	17.05	-.31	+34.6
Ambev	.45e		5.02	+.10	-18.6
Amedica h			.18	-.04	-77.3
Amgen	3.16	19	156.86	-1.51	-1.5
Anadarko	1.08	...	61.01	-2.41	-26.0
Apache	1.00	...	49.40	-8.91	-21.2
Apple Inc	2.08	13	116.11	-.66	+5.2
ApldMatl	.40	16	16.79	+.03	-32.6
ArcelorMit			5.28	+.05	-52.1
Archrock	.60	35	11.58	-.13	-41.3
Atmel	.16		7.85	+.33	-6.5
ATMOS	1.68f	19	61.30	+.36	+10.0
AutoData	2.12f	28	87.18	+.23	+4.6
BP PLC	2.40	...	34.39	-.38	-9.8
BabsCClnv	1.20		17.10	+.08	+7.6
BakrHu	.68		49.00	-.83	-12.6
BcoBrad s	.44e		5.81	+.16	-47.9
BkofAm	.20	13	17.75	-.10	-.8
B iPVixST			18.90	+.41	-40.0
BasicEnSv			3.78	-.41	-46.1
BerkHa A	...	19	202355.00	+601.00	-10.5
BlkHillsCp	1.62	30	45.62	+.29	-14.0
BostonSci			18.01	-.79	+35.9
BrMySq	1.48	62	64.24	-.81	+8.8
BrownFA	1.26	36	116.33	+1.75	+32.6
BrownFB	1.26	32	105.21	+1.10	+19.8
CVS Health	1.40	21	94.85	-2.99	-1.5
Cameron		17	67.78	-.74	+35.7
Caterpillar	3.08	14	71.91	-.52	-21.4
Celestic g		14	11.11	+.06	-5.4
CntryLink	2.16	21	28.43	-.17	-28.2
ChesEng			6.54	-.52	-66.6
Chevron	4.28	20	92.19	-1.04	-17.8
Chicos	.31	27	13.07	-.61	-19.4
Cimarex	.64		115.50	-2.12	+9.0
Cisco	.84	16	27.82	-.16	+.7
Citigroup	.20	13	54.90	-.90	+1.5
ClayEng	...	...	59.33	-1.59	-7.0

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
CocaCola	1.32	27	42.04	+.27	-.4
ColgPalm	1.52	25	66.45	+.07	-4.0
ConAgra	1.00	27	40.89	-.26	+12.7
ConchoRes	...	64	107.18	-4.16	+7.4
ConocoPhil	2.96	59	53.44	-1.21	-22.6
CrackerB	4.40a	20	135.96	.05	-3.4
CSVLgNG rs			3.53	-.17	-82.3
CSVLgCrd rs				8.26	-.69
-83.1					
CSVelIVST			30.65	.67	-1.6
CSVixSh rs			6.17	+.23	-77.6
CrosTim	1.59e	9	17.84	+.18	+3.0
DCP Mid	3.12	15	27.37	-.46	-39.8
DTE	2.92f	16	81.00	+.80	-6.2
Dataram			1.39	+.07	-18.2
DevonE	.96	...	45.62	-2.14	-25.5
Disney	1.32f	23	116.52	-.90	+23.7
DowChm	1.84f	14	51.70	-.01	+13.4
eBay s		16	28.95	-.19	+24.1
EMC Cp	.46	21	25.46	+.21	-14.4
EOG Rescs	.67	...	83.32	-3.26	-9.5
EmpDist	1.04	17	22.42	+.30	-24.6
Energen	.08		58.71	-2.37	-7.9
EgyTrEq s	1.14f	20	18.85	-.42	-34.3
EngyTsfr	4.22f	...	40.15	-1.40	-38.2
EnPro	.80	...	50.79	-.46	-19.1
EntProdPt	1.54f	21	26.42	-.33	-26.9
Ericsson	.39e		9.38	+.02	-22.5
ExxonMbl	2.92	17	81.62	-.73	-11.7
Facebook			109.01	+1.10	+39.7
FordM	.60	12	14.31	+.03	-7.7
FrptMcM	.20a		9.31	-.52	-60.1
GATX	1.52	9	45.13	-.48	-21.6
GabMultT	1.05e	...	8.10	...	-19.1
GAInv	1.15e	...	33.25	-.14	-5.0
GenElec	.92	...	30.67	+.55	+21.4
GtPlainEn	1.05f	20	27.21	+.53	-4.2
HalconRes			.63	-.09	-64.6
Hallibrtn	.72	47	38.10	-.81	-3.1
HorizPhm			17.99	-4.39	+39.6
iShBrazil	1.03e		24.28	+.50	-33.6
iShJapan	.13e		12.53	+.05	+11.5
iShEMkts	.84e		34.34	+.07	-12.6
iS Eafe	1.70e		60.58	+.31	-.4

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
iShR2K	1.68e		117.14	-1.03	-2.1
Intel	.96	14	32.86	-.35	-9.5
InterDig	.80	20	54.44	+.50	+2.9
ItauUnibH	.40e		7.58	+.25	-35.9
JD.com			27.88	-.32	+20.5
JohnJn	3.00	18	101.86	+.41	-2.6
Keycorp	.30	12	13.16	-.06	-5.3
KimbClk	3.52	63	119.36	+.44	+3.3
KindMorg	2.04f	46	24.40	-1.05	-42.3
LegacyRes	.60m		3.47	-.20	-69.6
Lubys	...	...	4.89	-.02	+7.5
Macys	1.44	10	40.44	-6.58	-38.5
MannKd			2.22	-.08	-57.4
MarathnO	.20m		17.30	-1.48	-38.8
MktVGold	.12e		13.65	+.18	-25.7
McDnlds	3.56f	24	113.85	+.63	+21.5
Merck	1.80	14	53.72	-.71	-5.4
MeritMed	...	31	18.32	-.59	+5.7
MexcoEn			...	...	-50.3
MicronT		6	15.50	-.05	-55.7
Microsoft	1.44f	36	53.65	+.14	+15.5
Nabors	.24		9.59	-.59	-26.1
NBGreece			.53	-.04	-70.3
NatGrid	3.35e	...	69.25	+.33	-2.0
NOilVarco	1.84	10	37.77	-1.05	-42.4
NvMAd	.79a	...	13.21	-.03	-3.3
NvPMI	.78a	...	12.94	-.04	-7.4
NuvPI	.82a	...	13.41	-.02	-3.2
NSTFI3	.55a	...	13.91	-.06	-2.3
NTXQI	.65a	...	13.82	-.10	-4.4
Nvidia	.46f	24	30.51	-.30	+52.2
OcciPet	3.00	33	75.62	-.64	-6.2
Oracle	.60	18	39.04	-.88	-13.2
ParTech	...	...	7.05	+.36	+14.6
ParkDrl	...	...	2.86	+.06	-6.8
PattUTI	.40	...	15.45	-.79	-6.9
PayPal n			36.33	-.67	-1.0
Penney			8.52	-.16	+31.5
PennaRE	.84	...	22.01	+.01	-6.2
Prmian	.42e	10	6.27	-.17	-34.3
Petrobras	...	...	4.86	-.07	-33.4
Pfizer	1.12	25	33.74	-.05	+8.3
PioNtrl	.08	27	140.70	-6.16	-5.5
PlainsAAP	2.80f	16	27.13	-.78	-47.1
PS USDBull	...	...	25.78	-.07	+7.6

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
PwShs QQQ	1.52e	...	113.14	-.14	+9.6
Praxair	2.86	21	111.04	-.56	-14.3
PrmEgy	...	11	66.50	...	-8.6
PUVixST rs			27.95	+1.15	-77.8
ProctGam	2.65	27	75.96	+.19	-16.6
RangeRs	.16	18	30.03	-2.11	-43.8
RegionsFn	.24	15	9.95	-.12	-5.8
RiteAid		30	7.78	-.02	+3.5
Roundys			3.57	+1.39	-26.2
Rowan	.40		19.62	-.99	-15.9
RoyDShllA	3.76	12	49.63	-.91	-25.9
SpdrDJIA	3.77e		177.21	-.57	-.4
S&P500ETF	4.13e		207.74	-.82	+1.1
SpdrOGEx	.73e		37.48	-1.75	-21.7
SabnR	3.24e	9	32.18	+.40	-10.1
SanderFm	.88a	6	70.28	-.50	-16.4
SandRdge	...	...	.36	-.01	-80.1
Schlmbrg	2.00	26	77.63	-1.14	-9.1
SigmaAld	.92	34	139.90	-.01	+1.9
SiriusXM	...	41	4.13	-.01	+17.9
Smucker	2.68	32	115.24	+.52	+14.1
SophirisB h	...	...	3.20	+.30	+492.6
SwstnEngy	...	...	10.64	-.79	-61.0
Sprint	...	...	4.00	-.08	-3.6
SP Engy	1.98e	...	67.79	-1.47	-14.4
SPDR Fncl	.44e	...	24.49	-.08	-1.0

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
SP Inds	1.12e	...	54.50	+.07	-3.7
SunEdison	...	...	4.90	-.87	-74.9
SunocoLog	1.83f	...	28.57	-.76	-31.6
Synchrony	...	12	30.93	-.15	+4.0
SynchFn wi	...	...	30.81	-.09	+.1
TelefEsp	1.03e	...	12.98	+.10	-8.7
Tesoro	2.00f	9	114.58	-.52	+54.1
3M Co	4.10	21	159.05	+1.46	-3.2
Torchmark	.54	14	59.78	-.27	+10.4
Transocn	.60	...	14.53	-.45	-20.7
TriContl	.80e	...	20.44	-.07	-4.5
Twitter	...	...	26.50	-.55	-26.1
TylerTech	...	84	174.65	+2.53	+59.6
UBWV	1.32f	21	41.55	-.10	+10.9
US OilFd	...	...	13.76	-.33	-32.4
Vale SA	.29e	...	4.04	-.07	-50.6
ValeantPh	...	45	78.90	-4.78	-44.9
ValeroE	2.00f	7	71.17	-.15	+43.8
VulcanM	.40	77	101.59	+1.50	+54.6
WEC Engy	1.83	19	49.99	+.42	-5.2
WalgBoots	1.44	25	81.82	-1.71	+7.4
WstnRefin	1.52f	8	45.97	-.84	+21.7
WhitingPet	...	...	16.34	-1.70	-50.5
WmsCos	2.56f	66	36.35	-.46	-19.1
XcelEngy	1.28	19	36.05	+.47	+.4
Xerox	.28	35	10.25	+.63	-26.0

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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
18,351.36	15,370.33	Dow Jones Industrials	17,702.22	-55.99	-.32	-.68	+.51
9,310.22	7,452.70	Dow Jones Transportation	8,187.10	-30.39	-.37	-10.42	-9.95
657.17	539.96	Dow Jones Utilities	566.82	+4.84	+.86	-8.29	-4.37
11,254.87	9,509.59	NYSE Composite	10,399.91	-32.44	-.31	-4.05	-4.45
5,231.94	4,292.14	Nasdaq Composite	5,067.02	-16.22	-.32	+6.99	+8.38
2,134.72	1,867.01	S&P 500	2,075.00	-6.72	-.32	+.78	+1.80
1,551.28	1,344.80	S&P Midcap	1,449.04	-8.20	-.56	-.23	+.75
22,537.15	19,619.26	Wilshire 5000	21,586.68	-91.95	-.42	-.38	+.55
1,296.00	1,078.63	Russell 2000	1,178.07	-9.62	-.81	-2.21	-.71

TODAY: Sunny	FRIDAY: Mostly sunny	SATURDAY: Partly sunny	SUNDAY: Partly sunny	MONDAY: Mostly sunny	TUESDAY: Mostly sunny
High: 66 Low: 41	High: 64 Low: 44	High: 61 Low: 49	High: 66 Low: 51	High: 71 Low: 44	High: 67 Low: 37

Local forecast

Cooler-than-normal conditions are expected to continue through the weekend, according to the National Weather Service. The NWS also is calling for a 20 percent chance of precipitation on Saturday. The National Weather Service's Midland office still has not recorded any rainfall this month.

The record high for Nov. 11 is 83 set in 1938 and 1964. The record low is 16 set in 1950. On Nov. 11 of last year, the high was 61 and the low was 34..

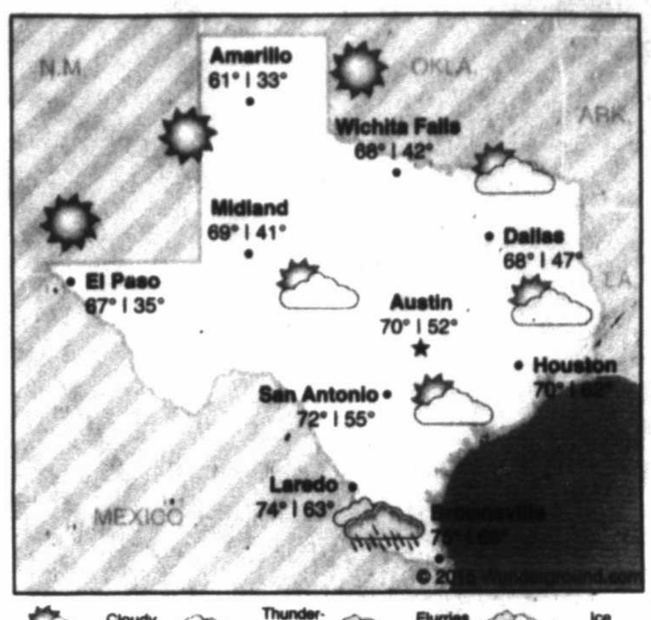
Weather brief

IOWA

Storm brings winds, reports of tornadoes in Midwest

DES MOINES — A fast-moving storm system dropped both snow and rain over portions of the Midwest on Wednesday, packing strong winds that flipped semitrailers, damaged industrial park buildings and downed power lines in parts of Iowa and Nebraska.

National Weather Service officials said the system dumped more than a foot of snow on the Rockies before creating conditions ripe for tornadoes.



Precipitation

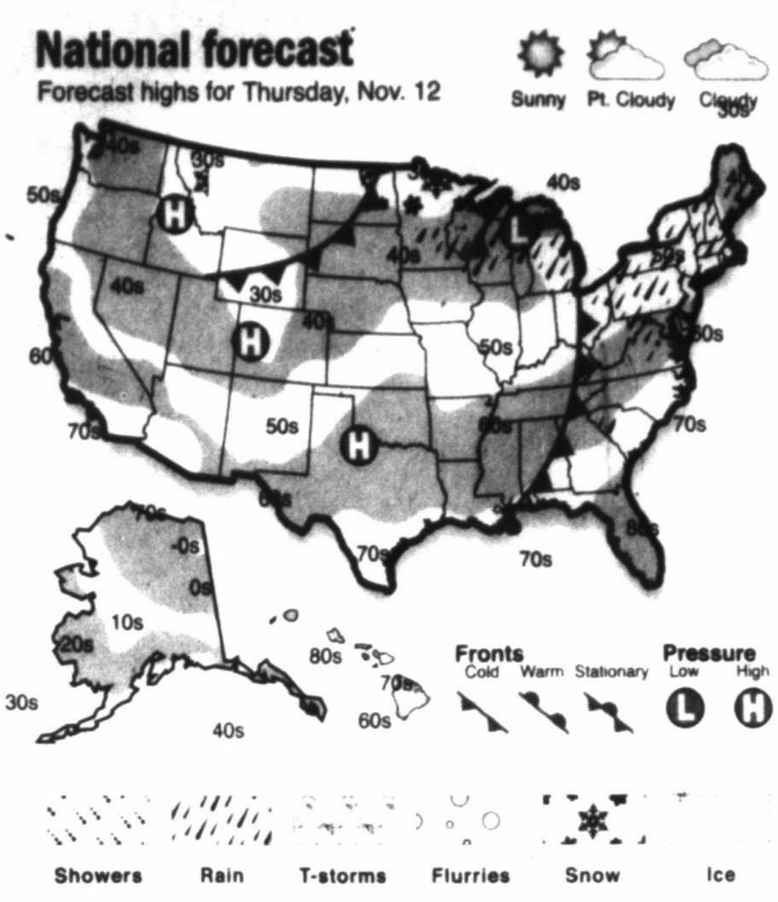
Tuesday	0.00 in.
Wednesday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.00 in.
Year total	19.78 in.
Normal total (year to date)	13.59 in.

Wednesday's temperatures

High	69
Low	53
Normal high	68
Normal low	41
Sunrise	7:14 a.m.
Sunset	5:51 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Thursday, Nov. 12



Woman's male roommate wants to be friends with no benefits

DEAR ABBY

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

DEAR ABBY: I am a divorcee with a problem. My longtime friend "Paul" and I decided to move in together so I could save some money because of my very expensive divorce. The problem is, I think I am falling for him, and I get really jealous when he brings dates home.

When I told him I'm starting to have feelings for him, he said he cares for me, but not in that way. How can I keep my jealousy in check so I don't ruin a good friendship? — OVER THE LINE IN UTAH

DEAR OVER THE LINE: I'm going to take a risk and make a generalization, because there is much truth to it. When couples divorce, one or both partners' self-esteem often takes a huge hit. People often feel vulnerable and in need of someone to love them, make them feel attractive, be a partner to them, etc. Could this be you? Might this have something to do with your resentment of the women Paul is seeing?

Your friend has been no more than a supportive friend at a time when you needed one. If you can't accept it for what it is, then for your own emotional health find another place to live because, even if you're saving money, this arrangement is too expensive.

DEAR ABBY: I have been cooking Thanksgiving dinner for our family since I was in my mid-20s, with little or no assistance from my sisters or sisters-in-law. They typically show up empty-handed but leave with a generous amount of leftovers. Before my mother passed away 12 years ago, she would at least help.

Since my children and their families live out of state and are unable to come this year, I told one of my sisters-in-law I wouldn't be hosting Thanksgiving this year. Abby, she had a complete hissy fit! She insisted it was "tradition" that we have Thanksgiving at my house and that it's something everyone looks forward to. She even said it's not like I don't have the time since I retired this year.

Yes, I have tried delegating. One year, a sister brought a dessert (cookies in a tin) and the other a bag of rolls. Neither one has ever worked outside the home. I'm tired of cooking for two or three days to feed 15 to 20 people. Am I wrong in wanting a break from doing it all? — I'M DONE IN FLORIDA

DEAR "DONE": No. You have a right to spend your Thanksgiving any way you wish. Because you didn't mention whether your siblings host Christmas, Easter or Fourth of July celebrations, I'm assuming the answer is no. If that's true, then from my perspective you're at least 12 years overdue for a break. Your sisters and sisters-in-law should have stepped up to the plate and shared the responsibilities you have shouldered alone after your mother passed away, if not before. Shame on them.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Best play?

Both vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ K Q 4
♥ A 10
♦ A 7 5 2
♣ K Q 6 5

WEST
♠ 9 6 3 2
♥ Q 8
♦ Q J 10 8
♣ 10 9 2

EAST
♠ 8 7 5
♥ J 7 6 4
♦ 6 4
♣ J 8 7 3

SOUTH
♠ A J 10
♥ K 9 5 3 2
♦ K 9 3
♣ A 4

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1NT	Pass	6NT	All pass

Opening lead: Queen of ♥

Since the days of Charles Goren, 33 points is the combined total of high card points recommended for bidding a small slam. 33 points, however, is sometimes not enough to produce 12 tricks when both hands are balanced. In today's deal, despite the combined total of 33 points, there are only 10 top tricks. Can good play produce two more?

A friendly 3-3 split of the opponents' diamonds will only give declarer one more trick. Hearts is the only suit that might produce two more tricks — but what is the right play with this heart combination? Your Aunt Matilda could get four heart tricks when the suit splits 3-3, or when there's a lucky queen-jack doubleton. The expected split, however, is 4-2 when you're missing six cards. What can be done if the hearts are 4-2?

Cashing the ace and running the 10 loses to all 4-2 splits except queen-jack doubleton. What about low to the 10 on the first round of the suit: the winning play on this deal? Our good friend Abner, the great bridge mathematician, assures us that low to the 10 will produce four heart tricks 61 per cent of the time. That's good enough for us. That is much better than relying on a 3-3 split.

Would you have found the winning play and made this slam? Of course you would!

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 Thursday, Nov. 12, 2015:

This year your highly charged energy and your natural charisma mix, to your financial benefit. Others respond strongly to you, which proves to be an asset. No one can or will ignore you. If you are single, your popularity is obvious. Your feelings will become very strong when you meet the right person. If you are attached, you'll want to indulge your sweetie, and you will. Express your affection in a way that is meaningful to him or her. SAGITTARIUS can be possessive.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ Your mood brightens as others lighten up. News could head in from someone at a distance. If you ask too many questions, this person might retreat. Your intuition is likely to indicate that there is a discrepancy between what you are hearing and the facts. Tonight: A weekend getaway.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ Continue to let others take the lead. Everyone will be a lot happier as a result, especially one key individual. Your efforts need to be concentrated on personal matters. Schedule a haircut or a long-overdue dentist appointment. Tonight: Opt for teamwork.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ Make sure you are in tune with the inner you. You might think you feel one way, only to realize that deeper feelings lie beneath the surface. You will find out about these emotions as they emerge, and you will need to respond accordingly. Tonight: Let someone else assume control.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Your imagination can be limitless if you brainstorm with an equally imaginative person. So many different schemes and ideas could pop up from out of the blue! Consider picking and choosing your audience with care. Tonight: Get some rest, if you can.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Be direct with others. You might be surprised by someone else's diplomacy. Emphasize what you desire in a way in which you can be heard. Some of you might sugarcoat your desires; others will be demanding. A last-minute snafu could occur. Tonight: Think "weekend."

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ Tension could mount to a level that you had not anticipated. You might not be ready to deal with what is happening, or with what someone else wants. You don't need to vanish or become difficult; state your desires clearly. Tonight: Deal with an ongoing issue.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ You seem more energized and charming than usual. How you manage to be even more alluring than your typical self could be shocking to some people, while others will be envious. However, you could become difficult if you don't get what you want. Tonight: No fussing.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★ Know that you have a lot to offer — much more than you realize. Part of the reason is that these traits are such an innate part of your personality. Others admire your knowledge and strength. Use caution with your finances. Tonight: Fun doesn't need to cost money.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ You'll perk up as the day goes on, as you sense that others are receptive to your ideas and presentation. Stay goal-oriented, and you will succeed. A domineering friend might push you very hard. Even if you say "no," he or she is unlikely to hear you. Tonight: You call the shots.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Know when to back off. Your inner voice might be saying something quite contrary to what you would like to believe. The only answer is to stop and look at the different issues. Buy yourself some time until you figure out what is most appropriate. Tonight: Play it cool.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Focus on your goals and desires. Friends could be very distracting and could become part of your day, even if you initially did not want this type of interaction. You might laugh at your inability to push away a good time. Is that so bad? Tonight: The more, the merrier.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ You could be overtired and withdrawn. Pressure has been building around your work and day-to-day life. As a result, you might back away from friends or a demanding person. Focus on completing what you must now, and doing what you want later. Tonight: Try to get some sleep.

BORN TODAY

Iranian President Hassan Rouhani (1948), actress Grace Kelly (1929), actor Ryan Gosling (1980)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Thin locks as of hair
6 League fraction
10 Long-armed beasts
14 Tin Pan Alley org.
15 "...but I play one __"
16 Lead-in for sci
17 Diamond heist?
19 Tiger Woods' ex
20 Fresh from the oven
21 One may be tossed after a wish
22 Rub the wrong way
23 Bare-bones staff
26 Painter who was a leader of the Fauvist movement
29 "__ Ben Adhem"
30 Shooting star, to some
31 1928 Oscar winner Jannings
32 Early Beatle Sutcliffe
35 Dinner side, and what can literally be found in this puzzle's circles
40 Firm
41 Reason for a tow job
42 Literary governess
43 Controversial video game feature
44 Does a security job
47 Divides, as lovers
51 Squirrel away
52 Fruit discard
53 __ bath
56 Cost of living?
57 Stereotypical bachelors' toys
60 Eye rakishly
61 Place to see crawls
62 Rock's __ Boingo
63 He's fifth on the career home run list
64 Kennel sounds
65 Graph lines

DOWN

1 Break-even transaction
2 Comparative words
3 Nae sayer
4 Frequent companion
5 Dust motes
6 Calder piece
7 Featherbrained
8 SFPD ranks
9 Memorable temptation victim
10 Brief outline
11 __ cap
12 Beethoven's "Für __"
13 Resilient strength
18 Anti votes
22 Name on a historic B-29
23 Cosecant's reciprocal
24 Teach, in a way
25 Final notice?
26 Kids' dnvers often
27 Valéry's valentine
28 Printed words
31 It may need a boost
32 Roy Rogers' birth name
33 Fork-tailed flier
34 Exploits
36 Smeltery waste
37 Hit or miss
38 Three-sided blade
39 "__ I've to the mountaintop" King
43 Beaux __ noble deeds
44 Ice cream designs
45 Copper
46 Three-time 21st-century World Series champs
47 Billiards shot
48 Greek finale
49 Virile
50 Military unit
53 Tailless cat
54 Goad
55 British mil decorations
57 Tom Clancy figure
58 Hawaiian dish
59 Org. in Tom Clancy novels

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

G	A	L	A		M	I	L	K		U	N	C	A	P
A	R	I	D		A	T	I	T		S	O	H	I	O
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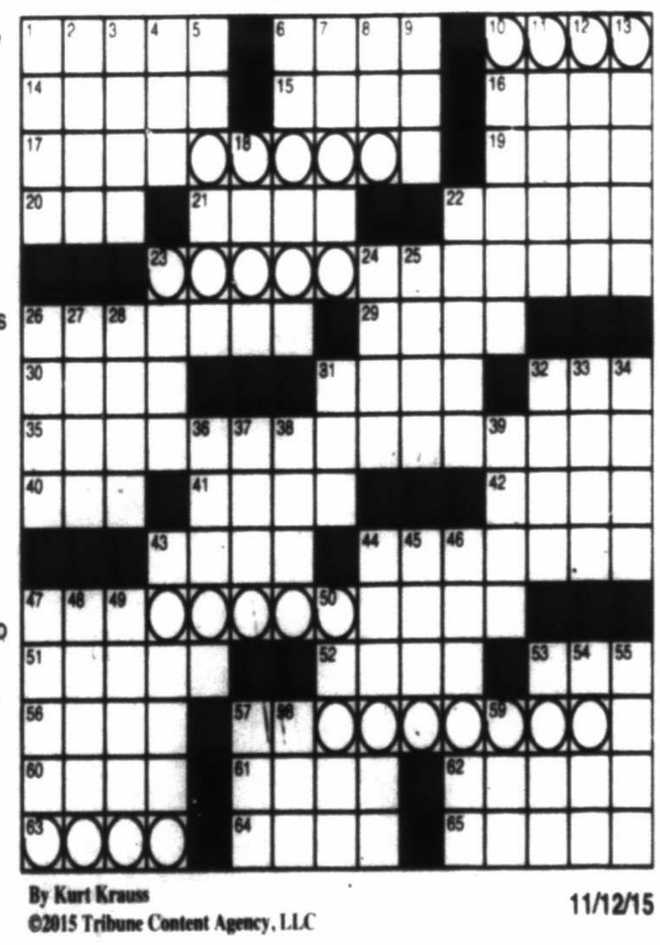

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9am

- Refreshments *by Fuddruckers*
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Buffalo Oilfield Supply has a full time position available for a Sales Representative in the West TX, Pecos area. This position is responsible for establishing new customer accounts and maintaining customer relationships/existing accounts. Knowledge of oilfield supplies and production equipment is required. Must be detailed oriented and be able to work with minimal supervision and meet deadlines. A high school diploma or eqivalent is required. Oilfield related experience is preferred. Additional qualifications are excellent communication skills (verbal & written) and organizational skills. Also must be proficient in MS-Office applications (Excel, Word & Outlook). Must be at least 21 years of age and able to pass a drug screening, background check and meet vehicle insurance requirements.

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For consideration, please apply at:
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Outside Sales Position

Riging Shop now hiring for an Outside Sales Position. Must have experience in general purpose wire rope or oilfield supplies. Please send resume to P.O. Box 61046, Midland, TX. 79711

OTHER JOBS

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR PART TIME DAY ASSOCIATE

Part Time Day Associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to work Monday thru Saturday from 8am-6pm. Tuesday will be here later till about 8 or 9 pm. Need to be able to work on your feet thru 6-8 hour shift. Will work at night occasionally. We will train the right person.

$10.00 per hour

These positions require some physical lifiting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and social security card with dependable transportation.

Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois, Lobby Information Desk • Monday-Friday 8-5 or email: jmaddox@hearstnp.com
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Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR NIGHT TIME ASSOCIATE

Night time associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to count at a fast pace. Be able to work between the hours of 12-6 am Sunday night thru Friday night and be able to work Saturday night 8pm -4am. Will be working inside and outside depending on the job you are doing that night. Will be 5-6 nights per week. We will train the right person.

$10.00 per hour

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ENERGY & UTILITIES

Automation Technician
GE Oil & Gas

Role Summary/Purpose: The Automation Technician will service and maintain Lufkin Automation equipment under the direct supervision of the Field Services leader.

Essential Responsibilities: In the role of Automation Technician you will:
- Troubleshoot and diagnose electrical / electronic equipment
- Perform on-site installation of electrical / electronic equipment: conduit, etc
- Use various electronic equipment and tolls including auto cranes, stud guns, etc
- Recognize and assess a variety of well optimization issues, either on own or by calling other technical specialists

Qualifications/Requirements:
- High School Diploma / GED from an accredited school or institution
- Journeyman Electrician License
- Minimum 1 year of experience as automation, electronic or field service technician

Desired Characteristics:
- Troubleshooting skills, basic computer skills such as experience with MS Office Suite (Excel, Word, Outlook, etc.)
- Ability to work independently Oilfield experience
- Experience working with variable speed drives, automation and instrumentation experience
- Experience working with SAP

Contact Terry Doliner (832) 353-2065
Job Number 2292399

BUFFALO OILFIELD SUPPLY
STORE MANAGER

Buffalo Oilfield Supply has a full time position available for a Store Manager in the West TX, Pecos area. This position is responsible for managing the day to day operations of the business including supervision of all warehouse/driver personnel, administrative staff, development of delivery route schedules, and inventory system accuracy. A BS/BA degree + 3 years supervisory experience is required or 5 years supervisory experience relevant to this position may be considered in lieu of degree. Additional qualifications are strong leadership skills, excellent communication skills (verbal & written), financial reports. Also must be proficient in MS Office applications (Excel, Word & Outlook). Must possess a valid driver's license and meet vehicle insurance, drug screening and background check requirements. We offer an excellent working environment and outstanding compensation and benefits package.

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Cryogenic Plant Lead Operators

Accepting applications for Cryogenic Plant Lead Operators with 3 years minimum experience of Cryogenic Plant operating experience for the Coyanosa/Monahans area. Must be able to supervise, direct, train, and assist B operators performing daily plant operations and maintenance activities on plant processing and/or compressor equipment for a 200 mmcfd Cryogenic processing plant and associated treating equipment. Interested candidates should submit their resume to ashleigh.polotko@vaqueromidstream.com. Vaquero Midstream offers a competitive wage and benefits package.

Job Fair - Tuesday, November 17th, 2015

Blattner Energy, Inc. will be hosting a job fair in Odessa for our solar project in Crane, TX. We are looking for safety conscious personnel with experience or interest in the following positions:

- General Laborers
- Equipment Operators (Telehandler/Skid Steer, PD-10 Operators)
- Electricians
- Individuals with experience in wiring and terminations

All job offers are contingent upon receiving a negative drug, alcohol test result and a satisfactory physical examination designed solely to determine your physical ability to perform the duties of the position being offered to you. Field employees are subject to random drug testing.

Must have transportation to and from the jobsite. Some positions may require a valid driver's license and acceptable motor vehicle driving record (MVR).

Interested parties are encouraged to stop by Workforce Solutions Permian Basin 2626 JBS Parkway Building D, Odessa, TX 79761 from 9am - 3pm on Tuesday, November 17th, 2015.

If unable to attend the job fair please complete an application on-line at www.blattnerenergy.com (please specify if willing to travel), or call 1-888-356-2307 to request an application.

EEO Minorities/Women/Disabled/Veterans

HEALTHCARE

Front Desk

Full Time position available at **Permian Gastroenterology, P.A**. Please fax resume to **432-697-6000**. **ATTN: S. Patel** or bring to **4214 Andrews Hwy, Ste. 203 Midland, TX 79703**.

Nurse Practitioner/Physicians Assistant

Medical office in need of Full Time PA or Nurse Practitioner please call 432-352-1845 or email resume to amit.garg@yahoo.com

OTHER JOBS

CARETAKER

Caretaker for small ranch and animals/dogs, horses. Salary and housing provided. Non-smokers and no drinking. References required. Call **432-686-2784**

Security Guards

Hiring Armed and Unarmed Guards
Email Resume to: info@legacyusagroup.com or call: 855-615-7675

ENERGY & UTILITIES

ENDURANCE RESOURCES

ENDURANCE RESOURCES, LLC: An independent oil & gas exploration and production company.
Position: Engineering Technician **Industry:** Oil & Gas
Experience: 5+ years **Location:** Midland, TX

Job Description
As an Engineering Technician at Endurance Resources, LLC, you will play a key role in the operations department providing your technical support and expertise, supporting VP of Operations. The role will work closely with geology, facilities, drilling and completions to manage drilling permitting process and required engineering support.

Position Description
- Work closely in a team environment with managers, engineers and field personnel
- Manage the drilling permitting, staking and approval process
- Knowledge and experience of Oil & Gas Software
- Provide administrative and technical support to the engineering department
- Construct, maintain and distribute facilities, drilling & completion reports
- Generate detailed reports regarding operational activity
- Compile production information and data in support of future developments
- Load, verify and analyze data for various engineering applications
- Research latest developments and advancements in our core areas
- Responsible for maintaining all engineering documentation and archives

Qualifications
- 5 + years of oil and gas experience as an engineering technician required
- Experienced with Microsoft Excel & Word & Access
- Software experienced -Phdwin, Drilling Info, Petra, Spotfire,
- AFE preparation
- Permitting experience
- Ability to organize, prioritize and make time-sensitive decisions
- Excellent Project Management skills a plus
- Ability to work in a team environment and possess the ability to adapt and be flexible
- Be self-sufficient and take initiative
- Strong computer, analytical and problem solving skills
- Strong verbal and written communication skills
- Willing to learn and grow both professionally and personally

Required experience:
- Engineering Technician: 5 years

Required education:
- Bachelor's degree, preferable Earth Sciences, Math, Engineering

Submit resumes to:
recruiting@enduranceresourcesllc.com

OTHER JOBS

Credentialing Assistant

Credentialing Assistant needed for busy multi-physician practice. Must have experience in Word & Excel. Experience in the medical field a plus. High school diploma or equivalent required. Great Benefits Package. Please send resume to Premier Physicians, 4214 Andrews Hwy., Ste. 240, Midland, TX 79703 or fax to 432-682-2284 Attn: Anita Routh. No phone calls please.

PP-9194

Maids & Janitors

Now accepting applications for maids, janitors & day people. Apply in person at 1307 N. Big Spring, Monday - Friday 8:30am-5:30pm

Maintenance Tech

Maintenance Tech needed full time with benefits. Must pass background and drug check. Apply in person at The Azure Apartments, 1201 Albert Ave. (located on South Lamesa) call for directions. 432-262-3991.

Nurse Practitioner or Physician Assistant

Part-time/PRN for afternoon/evening work. Please send resume to Premier Physicians, 4214 Andrews Hwy., Ste. 240, Midland, TX 79703 or fax to 432-682-2284 Attn: Anita Routh. No phone calls please.

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Qualified candidates must be a self-starter and possess excellent communication and organizational skills, be detail oriented and assertive, excel in spelling/grammar/punctuation, excel in time management, and possess a positive attitude.

We are willing to train and offer a competitive compensation and benefits package, guaranteed commission for three months, a cell phone allowance and the opportunity to advance your career in an exciting, progressive and innovative organization in one of the fastest growing markets in Texas.

If you want to join a **GREAT TEAM** and are ready to **SUCCEED**, please send a resume to:

Jen Houston, Director of Advertising, 201 E. Illinois, Midland, TX 79701 or **jhouston@mrt.com**. No phone calls please.

Resident Guards

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OTHER JOBS

Tree, Lawn & Landscape Maintenance

Full time business minded experienced professional. Must have drivers license and dependable transportation. Good starting pay & opportunity. Please send resumes to P-135 c/o Midland Reporter Telegram, 201 E. Illinois, Midland, Texas 79701

WAREHOUSE/ DELIVERY DRIVER

Griffin Oil, Midland Position. Class A, CDL/Hazmat, 1 year experience, good MVR, full benefit package. Position includes warehouse duties and truck deliveries. Ask for the Transportation Dept. Fax 806-785-4182

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

H2S Safety Supervisor

United Safety has been a global leader in the safety industry for the past 28 years, providing safety solutions and risk assessment consulting in the Upstream (on-shore/offshore) and downstream sectors of the Oil and Gas industry. We are currently seeking highly motivated candidates looking to start or advance their career in the oilfield industry as an H2S Safety Specialist based out of our Midland, TX office.

The H2S Safety Specialist is responsible for installing and maintaining the quality of United Safety's breathing air and gas detection systems on client production, drilling and service sites throughout the Southern United States. The incumbent will also provide safety supervision and training to onsite personnel while serving as a key client liaison.

- Must be available to work long hours (7-14) in the outdoor elements (heat, rain, sleet, snow, etc.)
- Must be able to work independently for extended periods
- Must be able to effectively identify, assess and correct problems related to equipment and its use on site
- Must demonstrate the ability to communicate effectively with co-workers and client personnel
- Strong interpersonal and team-based skills are also required

This is a full time position with benefits. Qualified candidates must be 18 years of age with a HS diploma, a clean driving record, willingness to travel and ability to pass our fitness and background screening processes. Previous experience in the oil field is preferred.

Qualified applicants must e-mail their resume and salary requirements to USrecruiting@unitedsafety.net.

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

Experience Servers and Dishwashers

The Garlic Press is hiring experienced Servers and Dishwashers. Flexible hours. Great work environment and benefits. Apply in person at The Garlic Press in Oak Ridge Square at Wadley and Garfield. 11am-2pm only.

Restaurant Staff

Murray's Deli needs day and night cooks, dishwashers and kitchen staff. Night time cashiers also needed. Apply in person from 8am-11am or 2pm-4pm 3211 W Wadley Ave #24, in Midland.

SALES JOBS

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Technicians

Technicians wanted. Local company looking for someone with experience in performing services and inspections on air compressors and generators. Technical experience preferred. Potential for advancement, and additional technical training provided. Good driving record and drug screening is required. Competitive pay DOE. Send resumes to M-20, c/o Midland Reporter Telegram, 201 E. Illinois, Midland, TX. 79701

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Charger Rentals

Charger Rentals is looking to fill the following positions, pit liner-laborers, crew foreman and helpers, pay based on experience, please send your information or resume to pittinerjobs@gmail.com or call 432-218-7674

Journeyman Electrician

Licensed Journeyman Electrician - Must have your own tools. Please call 432-230-2255

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

Hot Shot Drivers

G&W Trucking, LLC. is looking for hot shot drivers. Must have 6 months experience with wench and poles. Working primarily in the Permian Basin area, based out of Midland, TX. Email resumes to gwtruck@att.net or call 325-572-6338

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Permian Basin MPO
POLICY BOARD MEETING

Date: November 16, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.
Place: Wright Office Complex, Suite 1
9601 Wright Drive
Midland, Texas 79706

The Policy Board of the Permian Basin MPO will hold a regularly scheduled meeting to approve the UPWP Amendment No. 2 and an Investment Policy and to hear updates on planning projects. The Board may conduct an Executive Session as permitted under Chapter 551 of the Texas Administrative Code.
Para asistencia en Español por favor llame a 432-617-0129.

LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Bid(s) will be received until 11:00 A.M., November 18, 2015 to be opened at 11:00 A.M., in the Office of the Purchasing Agent City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas for the following Bid(s)

Bid No. 16000067

For: Sale of Weapons

If the Contract is awarded, it will be awarded to either the lowest responsible bidder, or to the bidder who provides goods or services at the best value for the City of Midland. In determining the best value for the City of Midland, the City of Midland may consider the criteria enumerated in Section 252.043 of the Texas Local Government Code. Information for Bidders, Proposal Forms, Specifications and General conditions for bidding may be obtained from the office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas.

Purchasing Division
City of Midland, Texas

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Mary Lou Vorheis, Deceased, were issued on November 10, 2015, in Cause No. P18486, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to Jerry Dean Vorheis.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o **Jerry Dean Vorheis**
4307 St. Andrews Dr.
Midland, Texas 79707

DATED the 10th day of November, 2015.

/s/ AUSTIN L. RAMSEY
Austin L. Ramsey
Attorney for Jerry Dean Vorheis
State Bar No.: 24073484
300 N. Marienfeld Suite 700
MIDLAND, TX 79701
Telephone: (432) 683-3351
Facsimile: (432) 683-2587
E-mail: aramsey@lcalawfirm.com

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

OXY USA INC is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the San Andres and Glorieta formations, Barnett Deep lease, well number 1. The proposed injection well is located 1.5 miles Southwest from Big Spring in the Spraberry (Trend Area) field in Howard County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 3,500 - 4,600 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas (Telephone 512/463-6792).

Notice of Application
for Fluid Injection Well Permit

XTO Energy, Inc., Opr. No. 945936, 500 W. Illinois, Suite 100, Midland, Texas 79701 applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas to convert an existing producing well to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to permit a salt water disposal in a productive zone into the Means (Devonian) in the Means J.S A/C 2, Well #1818 The proposed well is located 809 FNL & 1372 FWL, A35, Section 11., PSL/ Smith, J T, Andrews County, Texas (RRC Dist. 08), 8.4 miles Northeast direction from Andrews, Texas in the Means (Devonian) Field, in Andrew County, Texas. Fluid will be disposed into the strata in the surface depth interval from 11,900 feet to 14,250' feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Request for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792)

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NOTICE OF ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST ESTATE OF ANNIE LAURIE WELCH, DECEASED

Administration of the Estate of ANNIE LAURIE WELCH, Deceased, has been commenced by the issuance of Original Letters Testamentary to JAMES PRESTON WELCH on the 22nd day of October, 2015, by the County Court of Midland County, Texas, acting in Cause No. P-18468 styled the Estate of ANNIE LAURIE WELCH, Deceased, in which Court the matter is pending. All persons having claims against said Estate are hereby notified to present the same to JAMES PRESTON WELCH, Independent Executor, in c/o PATRICK S. DUFFY, P.C., 600 MARIENFELD, SUITE 310, MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701-3351 within the time prescribed by law.

PATRICK S. DUFFY, ATTORNEY
FOR JAMES PRESTON WELCH
INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Don B. Koonce, Deceased, were issued on November 10, 2015, in Cause No. P18494, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to Carmon E. Koonce.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o **Carmon E. Koonce**
78 San Clemente Circle
Odessa, Texas 79765

DATED the 10th day of November, 2015.

/s/ AUSTIN L. RAMSEY
Austin L. Ramsey
Attorney for Carmon E. Koonce
State Bar No.: 24073484
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MIDLAND, TX 79701
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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF KATHERINE LOUISE WOOD, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of KATHERINE LOUISE WOOD, issued on November 3, 2015, in Cause No. P18490, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to:

JACK WOOD and DONALD E. WOOD

The physical address of the Executor is in Midland County, Texas, the mailing address is:

c/o Todd, Barron, Thomason, Hudman & Baxter, P.C.
3800 East 42nd Street, Suite 409
Odessa, Texas 79762-5982

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 3rd day of November, 2015.

TODD, BARRON, THOMASON, HUDMAN & BAXTER, P.C.
3800 East 42nd Street, Suite 409
Odessa, Texas 79762-5982
432-363-2102
432-363-2152 (Fax)

By: JIMMIE B. TODD
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Yard & Garage Sales

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79705

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79707

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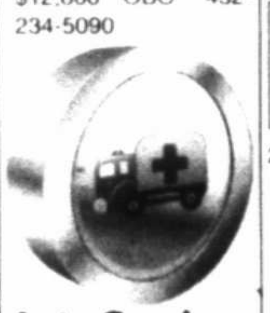

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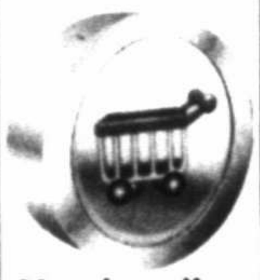

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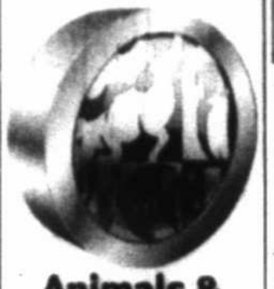

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HAPPY VETERANS DAY!

Veterans Day is a day to honor all veterans! It is a time to remember and thank veterans for all they have done for all of us and our country.

Colorful Thanks!

Color the poster above and display it where lots of people can see it to say thank you to the veterans in your community. Or give it to a veteran in your family or neighborhood.

Replace the missing words.

INCLUDE SAFE SERVED PEACE PERSON COUNTRY

A veteran is a _____ who has served in the armed forces. The armed forces _____ the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard. Both men and women can be veterans.

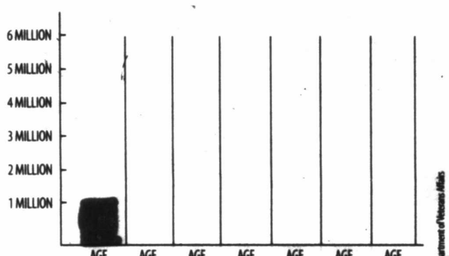
Some veterans have _____ in times of war and have fought for our _____. Others have served in times of _____ to protect our country in other ways. All veterans make sacrifices to help keep our country _____.

Number of Veterans

Turn this chart at right into a bar graph. It shows the number of veterans living in the U.S. as of September 2015.

BONUS CHALLENGE: How many veterans are there in total?

Veterans 20-29	1,015,000
Veterans 30-39	2,156,000
Veterans 40-49	2,814,000
Veterans 50-59	3,776,000
Veterans 60-69	5,101,000
Veterans 70-79	3,863,000
Veterans 80+	2,950,000



Source: Department of Veterans Affairs

Extra! Extra! Heroic Search

Find 10 words in today's paper that are related to Veterans Day such as ***service***, ***hero*** and ***honor***. Write the words here in alphabetical order.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

The Purple Heart is the oldest medal awarded in the U.S. military. It is awarded to someone injured or killed in action against an enemy.

Use the code to discover the famous American general whose profile is on the Purple Heart.

13 = A	18 = I	9 = R
22 = E	14 = N	25 = S
19 = G	29 = O	20 = T
11 = H	6 = P	7 = W

_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____

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Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

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SERVED
COAST
GUARD
HONOR
PEACE
THANK
NAMES
CHART
NAVY
ARMY
SAFE

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C	H	A	R	T	A	O	S	P	N
A	S	A	E	C	D	Y	N	R	S
E	C	R	O	F	R	I	A	O	E
P	N	A	T	H	A	A	R	T	R
Y	S	I	N	K	U	S	E	E	V
T	M	S	R	T	G	O	T	C	E
A	V	R	E	A	T	T	E	T	D
S	E	M	A	N	M	Y	V	A	N

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Weekly Writing Corner

My Hero

My hero is my dad. My dad is a firefighter. He is my hero because he saves lives. I feel pride being with him. He makes me feel safe and he is very funny.

Makenzie Seidel, 4th grade, St Ann's

My hero is Kate because she's my friend. She also makes me laugh so much even when I'm down, which is almost never because she's so funny. Every time I see her, we always crack up at some time. I met her when I was 2 and she was 3, so almost my whole life! It's crazy!

Susana Salcedo, 4th grade, St Ann's

Mrs. Hoppel is my hero. She saved me by performing the Heimlich maneuver on me. I was choking on a hard life saver candy and I thought life savers save you.

Cambell Hendricks, 4th grade, St Ann's

My hero is Albert Einstein. He is my hero because he was the smartest man in the world. I look up to him very much, and I love science too. I am planning to be very smart and also I have very good grades.

Hannah Hoban, 4th grade, St Ann's

My hero is my dad because he helps me. He also protects me. He helps me through problems. He loves me and that's it. Thank you for listening or reading. Bye

Ava Laing, 4th grade, St Ann's

My hero is my dad my mom and my brother. The reason why they're my hero is because they help me when I am in need. They feed me and clothe me. The reason why my brother is my hero is because he taught me basketball and football. The reason why my dad is my hero is because he inspires me to do great.

Chidera Egboh, 4th grade, St Ann's

My hero is James Rodriguez because he was chosen as the World Cup's best player. He has also had the most goals in the World Cup. He is my hero because he plays on my favorite soccer team Columbia.

Alec Mancillo, 4th grade, St Ann's

Davey Crockett is my hero because he fought at the Alamo. He is also the best hunter ever and he killed 1500 bears in one year. He taught himself to write in cursive and to hunt. One of his accomplishments was being a judge.

Jameson Allen, 4th grade, St Ann's

My hero is Mr. Fournier. He is good for helping you to learn. That's why I picked him. I love to learn. In fact, I learn something new every day.

Ireland Hollingsworth, 4th grade, St Ann's

Write On!

Gift for the World

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Veterans Day Summary

Find an article in the newspaper about a veteran and/or Veterans Day events happening in your community. Write a summary of the article. Have a parent check your work.

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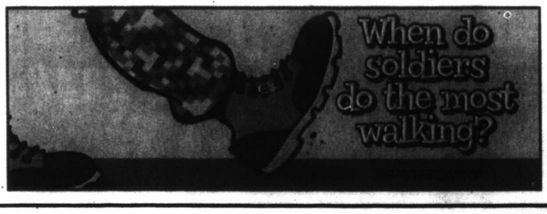

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