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City leaders prepare for 200,000 population

Comprehensive plan includes new loop highway, more arterial roads, big investment

By Joseph Basco
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The City Council's first day of its annual retreat Thursday started off with a long-term vision that includes several new roads to accommodate the growing population once it reaches 200,000, which could be around the year 2028.

One of the new roads planned is a new outer loop highway that would incorporate the State Highway 349 reliever route Nadine and Tom Craddick Highway, Fairgrounds Road and Front Street. The new highway would give access to the north part of Midland, an area ripe for development as the city inside Loop 250 doesn't have much potential for future growth.

Other new roads include creating arterial roads in the north, east and west sides of Midland such as Mockingbird Lane, Avalon Drive and Todd Drive, following the existing grid layout of the city's arterial system.

"The key is to get people in and around Midland as effectively and efficiently as possible," said City Manager Courtney Sharp, who presented the comprehensive plan to the council. "So when you have roads that are built to do that, then you can accommodate the number of cars we're seeing."

The comprehensive plan also includes updates to the city's water, sewer, drainage, fire station and parks plans. The cost, using estimates from 2013 figures, was about $1.593 billion for all the plans. The roads alone would cost $1.02 billion.

A discussion on funding included federal, state and local sources, public and private partnerships, other taxing entities and developers, but none were pinpointed

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Pursuit ends with wreck



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Midland Fire Department responds to a one-car rollover following a high-speed chase from Ector County and ending in Midland County on Business 20 near Farm-to-Market Road 1788.

Man wrecks SUV after high-speed chase

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A man wrecked a Chevrolet Suburban on Business 20 in Midland County on Thursday evening after a high-speed chase that started in Odessa near the University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

The SUV rolled over near the Midland International Airport just before 7 p.m.

A woman was also in the SUV and suffered minor injuries, according to a UTPB Police officer on the scene. She was taken to a local hospital in non-life-threatening condition.

The man had minor injuries but was not taken to the hospital, the officer said.

Authorities from the Midland Police Department, Midland County Sheriff's Office, UTPB Police Department, Odessa Police Department and Department of Public Safety were involved in the chase at some point.

DPS used its helicopter to track the SUV.

An OPD officer on the scene said the department was still investigating the incident and could not disclose what initiated the chase.

The man had not yet been cited as of about 7:30 p.m. Thursday. An OPD officer said they were just barely beginning the investigation, and he was not sure how long it would take before the department charges the man.

Because the man had not been formally arrested, his name was not yet available.

Matthew McConaughey's brother returns from Hollywood

■ Mike "Rooster" McConaughey celebrated his brother's Academy Award at Madonna's after-party

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It wasn't only Hollywood's A-List celebrities who were mingling at Madonna's annual Oscars after-party. Mike "Rooster" McConaughey flew to Los Angeles from Midland on Sunday night to celebrate with his brother, Matthew McConaughey.

Matthew McConaughey won this year's Academy Award for best actor for his role as a man living with AIDS in the film "Dallas Buyers Club."

In his acceptance speech, McConaughey thanked his family for their support and life lessons.

"To my dad, you taught me what it means to be a man," he said in his speech. "To my mother, who's here tonight, you taught me and my two brothers — demanded — that we respect ourselves. What we, in turn, learned was we were then better able to respect others."

Rooster McConaughey, a Midland County resident, said he didn't get a chance to hear the speech until Wednesday because he was on a flight to L.A. during the Oscars. He arrived around 9 p.m. PST, he said, just in time to meet his brother to celebrate. He got a text message right when he landed in California that his brother had won the Oscar for best actor, he said.

Even though he didn't listen to the speech until days later, Rooster McConaughey said he was really touched by it.

"I was so proud of him," he said. "He gets the biggest award in his business and he accepted it with such humility."

Rooster McConaughey said he was

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Greg Abbott's goal: Break Bush record for Hispanic vote

Associated Press

AUSTIN — High stakes over Hispanic voters shifted the governor's race Thursday to the Texas-Mexico border, where Democrats defended Wendy Davis' humbling losses in party strongholds to an obscure primary challenger who barely campaigned.

Republican Greg Abbott, who still fared worse than Davis in border counties despite her lackluster numbers, wouldn't comment on his rival. He instead announced a goal this November to break the record for Hispanic support by a Texas Republican gubernatorial candidate, widely considered to have been set by George W. Bush in 1998.

Bush captured as much as 49 percent of the Hispanic vote that year, according to some exit polling, though other polling put the figure lower.

"We're going to be more competitive than ever," Abbott said Thursday.

Davis, a national Democratic star backed by a muscular organizing team, coasted to the gubernatorial nomination Tuesday night with 79 percent of the statewide vote. But she lost several border counties to Ray Madrigal, a Corpus Christi municipal judge who never reported spending or raising any money.

It was an uncomfortable showing for Davis, who's raised at least $16 million and is the face of a Texas Democratic Party that is banking on a fast-growing Hispanic population to end two decades of Republican domination in Texas.

Davis says she'll work to win over South Texas voters but hasn't tried explaining her poor performance along the border.

Abbott on Thursday made the first stop in the general election phase of the campaign Hidalgo County, where Davis lost by nearly 2,000 votes.

"I can't really play pundit," Abbott said when asked about Davis' performance. "What I can tell you is what I see being here, which is a growing connection to the community."

Abbott did even worse in Hidalgo

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Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott speaks in November 2013 at Compressor Systems during a campaign stop in Midland for his run for Texas governor. Abbott announced Thursday he wants to top the number of Hispanic votes George W. Bush received when Bush ran for governor.



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New Texas abortion law closes 2 more clinics

Associated Press

AUSTIN — The last abortion clinic in the vast, impoverished Rio Grande Valley closed Thursday, along with the sole remaining clinic in the 100-mile stretch between Houston and the Louisiana border, posing a tall obstacle to women seeking to end pregnancies across a wide swath of the nation's second-largest state.

The closures in McAllen and Beaumont bring to 19 the number of clinics that have shut down since Texas lawmakers adopted tough new abortion restrictions last summer.

Twenty-four clinics remain to serve a population of 26 million people, and more closures could happen after additional restrictions take effect later this year.

Lawmakers required all abortion doctors to have admitting privileges at a hospital within 30 miles, all abortions to take place in a surgical facility and all women seeking abortion-inducing medications to make four clinical visits. Those rules made it impossible for the clinics in Beaumont and McAllen to stay open, said Amy Hagstrom Miller, CEO of Whole Woman's Health.

Pro-life lawmakers said the regulations are necessary to protect women's health, but pro-choice groups have sued the state claiming the restrictions are medically unnecessary and intended to shut down all Texas clinics that offer abortion services.

"Closing our clinics hurts us. But more importantly, it hurts the communities we have served," Miller said Thursday at a news conference. "We have done everything possible to keep our clinics open, but we are simply unable to survive."

The Whole Woman's Health clinics in Beaumont and McAllen had been open since 1973, when abortion was made legal by the U.S. Supreme Court's Roe vs. Wade decision.

Joe Pojman, executive director of Texas Alliance for Life, welcomed the clinic closures because, he said, those facilities did not adequately protect patients.

"Requiring a doctor at an abortion facility to have admitting privileges at a local hospital is common sense," he said. "In the event of a serious complication from an abortion, the physician should be able to follow the patient to the emergency room to continue caring for his or her patient."

The closest abortion clinic to Beaumont is in Houston. And for women in the Rio Grande Valley, the nearest clinics will be in Corpus Christi and San Antonio, a journey that means passing through immigration checkpoints that require U.S. identification or visas.



Associated Press

Jim Varnum; a Texas master naturalist, looks for early signs of wildflowers during a wildflower survey Wednesday at Breckenridge Park in Richardson. Wildflowers spotters across the state provide wildflower sightings to The University of Texas at Austin's Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center for its spring wildflower forecast. The center says that good fall and winter precipitation will mean great blooms in many parts of the state despite the recent freezing weather.

Good wildflower blooms expected in parts of Texas

Associated Press

RICHARDSON — A smattering of green sprouting through brown leaves blanketing the ground among barren trees at a North Texas park signal the colorful display that will soon come with the spring wildflower season, which experts say should feature good showings in parts of the state.

As wildflower spotter Jim Varnum made his way through Breckinridge Park in the Dallas suburb of Richardson this week, he pointed out the beginnings of several wildflowers. Examining the leaves of golden alexanders, which should bloom in April, he said, "This will put up a stem about 2 feet tall and have large clusters of yellow flowers."

The University of Texas at Austin's Lady Bird Wildflower Center said Thursday that the wildflower season might be delayed by cooler than usual weather in parts of the state, but many areas should have good blooms thanks to ample fall and winter precipitation.

"In some patches it could be spectacular, but overall, averaging out to a good season," said Damon Waitt, the senior botanist at the wildflower center.

The center each year makes its forecast by taking into account weather and rain patterns and relying on staffers and a dozen or so wildflower spotters across the state, including Varnum, to report what they are seeing in their regions.

Waitt said that this year the precipitation in the fall was average or below average across the state, so displays are expected to vary. Also, he said, cold snaps in March could affect the wildflowers.

"If the sun doesn't come out in March and we have gray skies and cold temperatures at night, then things are just going to kind of peter out," he said. "So a lot of variables still in play, but I'd feel comfortable saying there's going to be some really good shows. It's just going to be patchy distribution throughout the state."

Waitt said peak periods for wildflowers depend on the species and area of the state but generally run from the last week of March into late May.

And blooms are already popping up in some areas. Some Texas bluebonnets — the beloved state flower and a magnet for photos — are opening up in the Brenham area. In South Texas, Big Bend bluebonnets, taller than most bluebonnets, have been spotted in early bloom. Drummond phlox, with its small red flowers, and other wildflowers have been spotted near Seguin in Central Texas.

Many popular wildflowers — including bluebonnets, Indian blanket and Texas star — establish themselves in the winter as rosettes, a cluster of leaves spread close to the ground, keeping in heat before temperatures climb.

"We're getting a lot of reports of people seeing the bluebonnet rosettes out there, and they look healthy," Waitt said.

At Breckinridge Park, trout lilies, one of the season's first wildflowers, can be seen with their delicate white blooms. Varnum, who monitors wildflower growth in the Dallas area and beyond, said he expects a good wildflower season in the area.

"It's just starting slow, we're not seeing much other than the trout lilies. ... I think it will be into April before we start seeing a lot of things," said Varnum, who is a Texas Master Naturalist, a certification sponsored by state agencies to train volunteers on natural resources.

A freeze over the weekend in North Texas affected some blooms. Looking at a bloom-less grouping of leaves belonging to false garlic wildflowers, he said: "This was in bloom, and it probably got set back this past weekend. It was a white, six-petaled flower."

Water Wise seminar to promote conservation

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A Water Wise Seminar hosted Saturday by the Permian Basin Master Gardeners aims to teach residents how to plant attractive yards while saving water.

The seminar will take place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin's Center for Energy and Economic Development at the intersection of Highway 191 and Farm-to-Market Road 1788.

The cost is $30 for registration, and speakers inolude Emmy Ulmschneider on irrigation efficiency, Chris Casanova on xeric landscaping and Debbie Frost on drought and salt tolerant plants for West Texas.

Master Gardener Carol Siddall said the aim of the seminar is to teach Midlanders how to plant pretty yards while promoting water conservation.

"You don't have to start from scratch," Siddall said. "You can make additions and corrections to your landscape and still save a lot of water."

To register, call the local AgriLife Extension Office at 498-4071 or Siddall at 362-8205 before the seminar. Registration is also available at the door.

Midland man charged with injuring child

From staff reports

A Midland man was arrested Wednesday night on suspicion of assaulting and injuring a child.

Carl James Smith, 34, reportedly was wrestling with four children in his house after he had been drinking vodka. One of the boys told a female family member that she needed to call police, according to an arrest affidavit.

Police met that woman at another location because she had left with the four children after Smith became increasingly violent — throwing baseball cleats and pots full of meat and hot oil, according to the report.

The woman told police that she had been at the grocery store and came home to find Smith intoxicated. She said she thought he was playing with the four boys until she heard one of them scream from pain and fright, according to the document.

Smith had reportedly pinned one of the boys to the floor and held him by the neck, the report said.

One of the boys told police that Smith had "got out a bottle of vodka" and "started acting crazy," according to the affidavit.

The boy had a bruise on his right calf, scratch marks and carpet burns on his back, a bruise on his left shoulder and a large red scratch across his neck, the affidavit said.

After speaking to the woman and children, police went to Smith's house. The woman said they shouldn't be concerned because he is abusive only to women and children, the affidavit said.

Smith was still very intoxicated and told police that he thought the woman and four boys were still in the house.

Police found a pair of baseball cleats strewn across the living room, other items knocked over and pans of frying meat and oil thrown into the kitchen sink, the document said.

The officers arrested Smith and charged him with injuring a child, a third-degree felony.

Smith was being held Thursday on a $30,000 bond.

If convicted, Smith could face up to 10 years in prison.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Saul A. Arzate, 26, was charged Wednesday with tampering or fabricating physical evidence.

Kelly R. Blair, 49, of Midland, was charged Wednesday with violation of probation.

Michael J. Bragg, 18, of Midland, was charged Wednesday with injuring a child with the intention of serious bodily injury.

Jesus D. Hernandez, 34, of Midland, was charged Wednesday for escaping while under arrest, evading arrest, having a prohibited substance in a correctional facility, failing to appear at a bail jumping hearing and four counts of theft.

Gabriel Herrera, 34, of Midland, was charged Wednesday with aggravated assault that caused serious bodily injury.

Samuel R. Jenkins, 21, of Midland, was charged Wednesday with aggravated assault against a public servant.

Timothy P. Samuels, 22, of Midland, was charged Wednesday with manufacturing or delivering a controlled substance.

Logan J. Seibel, 18, of Midland, was charged Wednesday with forgery of a financial instrument.

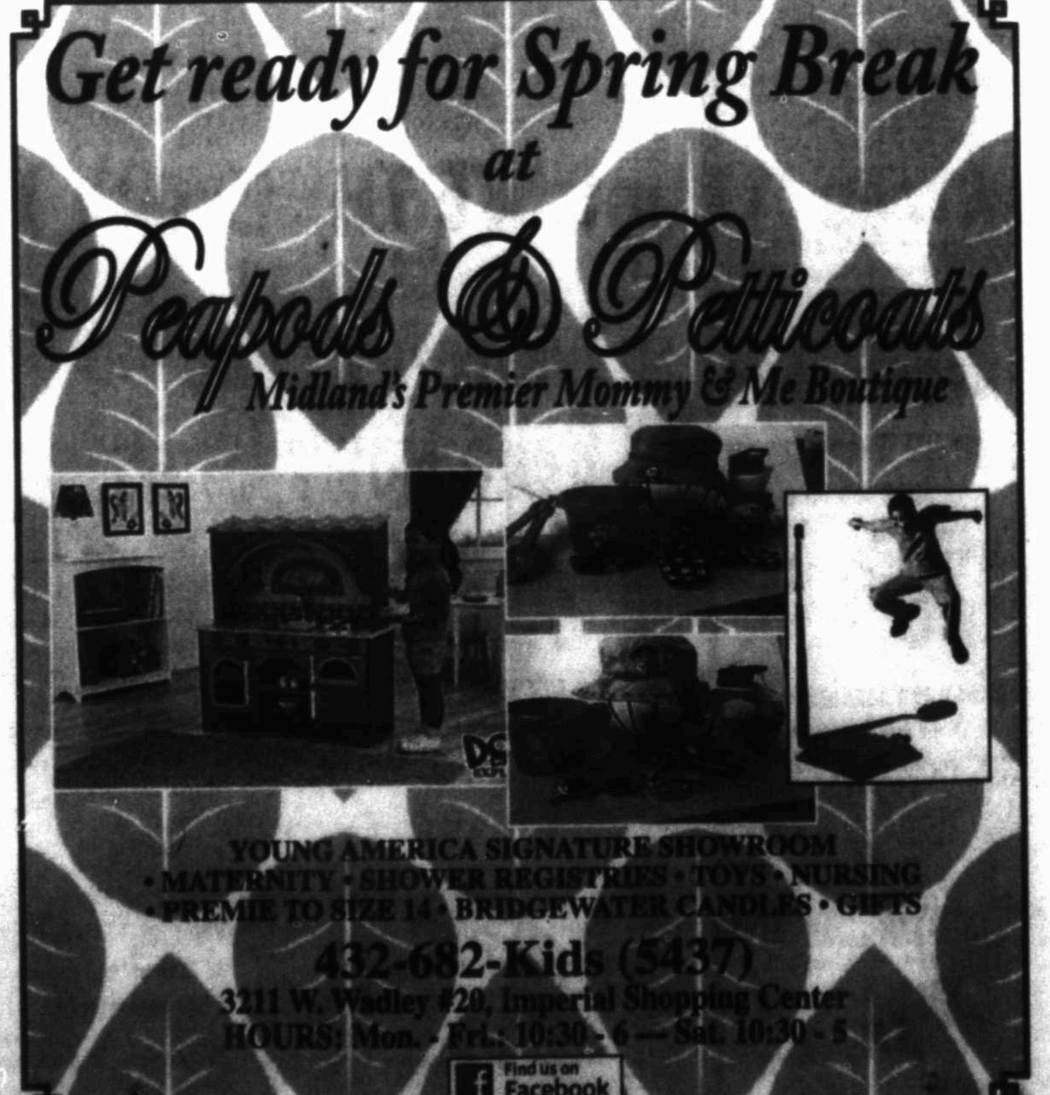
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EL PASO

Chihuahuas venue named Southwest University Park

The $50 million stadium being built for El Paso's new minor league baseball team will be called Southwest University Park.

Officials with the El Paso Chihuahuas and Southwest University at El Paso, which was accredited in 2012, made the announcement Wednesday. Terms of the 20-year naming agreement were not made public.

The Chihuahuas, formerly the Tucson Padres, open their schedule next month.

The team remains the Triple-A affiliate of the San Diego Padres.

FORT WORTH

Roller coaster builder blames Six Flags for death

The German manufacturer of a roller coaster from which a woman fell to her death is blaming Six Flags for the accident.

Gerstlauer Amusement Rides filed court papers Thursday related to the lawsuit the woman's family has brought against it and Six Flags after her death last year.

Gerstlauer said the Texas Giant was not "defective or unsafe in any manner." It blames Six Flags workers for not properly checking Rosa Esparza's safety belt or stopping the ride when a supervisor noticed Esparza's restraint bar was too high.

The manufacturer also said Six Flags only added seat belts to the ride after Esparza's death.

Both Six Flags and Gerstlauer have blamed each other for Esparza's death.

MCKINNEY

Death of boy mom accused of killing 'undetermined'

A medical examiner's report says a natural cause is most likely in the death of a 10-year-old boy whose body was found in a family bathtub.

The boy's mother was charged with murder in the Jan. 29 death at the family's Frisco home.

The Collin County medical examiner's report ruled the cause of death "undetermined" for Arnav Dhawan, but "natural disease is most likely." According to the report, the boy likely had a seizure that led to a ruptured cyst in his brain and heart attack.

Frisco police had charged the boy's mother, Pallavi Dhawan, with murder in her son's death. They said she confessed to killing the boy, but family attorney David Finn of Dallas denies that.

The mother remains free on $50,000 bail.

HOUSTON

City hopes street closures get people moving

Houston officials are adopting an idea that's been popular in San Antonio and some other cities: They plan to temporarily close busy streets to vehicles so people will explore neighborhoods by foot, bicycle and skateboard.

City leaders announced the program Wednesday and say it will begin next month with some contiguous streets closing to traffic on selected Sunday afternoons. The program, called Open Streets, began in Bogota, Colombia, more than 30 years ago, the Houston Chronicle reported Thursday.

Houston officials said the aim is to encourage residents to exercise and explore neighborhoods they normally zip through in their cars.

"It is a way to acquaint ourselves with what is around those streets in a way we don't normally experience it going by car," Mayor Annise Parker said.

Closing streets, even in car-crazed Houston, isn't new. It's done for festivals and other events. Officials say the cost of paying city workers and police officers for extra patrols will be low.

In St. Louis, where the street closings have been popular, the city found nearly three-quarters of attendees spent money along the route.

Other cities experienced similar success, sometimes after slow starts. Monica Garza, who coordinates San Antonio's similar "Síclovía" program, said any initial skepticism has subsided.

"There were businesses along the current route who were hesitant about road closures and also just the general residents in the area thinking they may not be able to get out of their neighborhood, but that has changed pretty significantly," Garza said. "After five events, you can see the bigger impact it's making. People are engaging more actively."

Houston city Councilman Ed Gonzalez said residents are eager to get out from behind the wheel of a car.

"We've become so dependent on the vehicle that when we explore other possibilities, it really is an eye-opener," Gonzalez said.

SAN ANTONIO

Federal agent charged in insurance fraud scheme

A federal agent based in San Antonio has been arrested following his indictment on charges of wire fraud and lying to authorities.

Federal prosecutors said 37-year-old Reynaldo Gonzalez made an initial court appearance in San Antonio on Thursday. He's a deputy U.S. marshal facing a 13-count indictment.

Authorities said Gonzalez in 2008 and 2009 defrauded an insurance company by submitting claims for medical treatment for various injuries. He allegedly used a physician's signature and tax identification number without the doctor's knowledge. The insurer then sent several benefit checks to Gonzalez.

Prosecutors said Gonzalez lied to investigators by saying the claims of injury were legitimate, even though the physician had not treated him since 2007.

The six counts of wire fraud alone carry a prison sentence of up to 20 years.

IRVING

Retail gasoline prices across Texas rise

Retail gasoline prices are up a penny this week across Texas as some travelers prepare for spring break.

AAA Texas on Thursday reported the average price per gallon stands at $3.23. Nationwide gasoline prices rose 3 cents to reach $3.47 per gallon.

The survey found Beaumont has the state's cheapest gasoline at $3.16 per gallon. Dallas-Fort Worth has the most expensive gasoline at $3.30 per gallon.

Meanwhile, the travel group's annual survey on Texas spring break travel found nearly two-thirds of those polled — 64 percent — plan a leisure trip. Trips are defined as traveling at least 50 miles from home with an overnight stay from March through May.

Austin was voted the top in-state destination for spring break travelers. Out-of-state plans favored New Orleans and Las Vegas.

The poll was conducted Feb. 26 to March 4 and surveyed 533 AAA Texas members. The survey has a plus-or-minus margin of error of 4.2 percent.

HOUSTON

Cop shoots burglar outside his home

Authorities say a Houston police officer shot dead one of three men who had broken into his townhome overnight.

The Harris County Sheriff's Office did not identify the officer, but said he lived in north Harris County and was awakened Thursday by the sound of breaking glass. He used his service weapon to confront three burglars and opened fire at one of them.

The sheriff's office said he chased the burglars out of his home and into the surrounding complex.

Authorities said one of the burglars was armed and pointed his weapon at the officer. The officer returned fire and wounded the burglar.

The burglar was pronounced dead at an area hospital.

The two other burglars remain at large.

FORT WORTH

Officer shoots suspect during attack

A North Texas police officer has shot a burglary suspect who used a tire iron to attack another officer.

Fort Worth police said the officers were responding early Thursday morning to a burglary call at an apartment complex when they encountered 18-year-old Jaden Williams holding the tire iron.

Authorities said Williams was shot when he lunged at the second officer. Despite being wounded, Williams continued forward and threw the tire iron, striking the officer in the head. The officer suffered a minor injury and was treated at the scene.

Williams was taken to a hospital with injuries described as not life-threatening. He's facing charges that include aggravated robbery and aggravated assault against a public servant.

BASTROP

2 officers demoted when records altered

Two Central Texas law enforcement officers have been demoted and suspended after training records were altered following a fatal shooting by a deputy.

The Bastrop County Sheriff's Office on Wednesday announced Lt. Joey Dzienowski was demoted to patrol deputy and suspended for 240 hours.

Sheriff Terry Pickering says Sgt. David Repka was demoted to patrol deputy and suspended for 32 hours.

A review found field training records for Deputy Daniel Willis were modified after he fatally shot Yvette Smith on Feb. 16. Deputies had responded to a domestic disturbance call.

Pickering said he does not believe the officers acted maliciously but knew the training documents for Willis were not up to date and wanted to make sure they were completed accurately.

Texas Rangers are helping investigate.

HOUSTON

1 man detained in alleged pill mill

A drug raid on a Houston-area home has led to one arrest and thousands of illegal pills confiscated from inside a house coated with powder residue.

Federal agents on Wednesday searched the northwest Harris County residence, detained one man and seized pill-pressing devices and chemicals used to make Ecstasy.

Authorities didn't immediately release further details on the suspect pending an initial court appearance.

Department of Homeland Security spokesman Greg Palmore said powdery residue was on the walls, in the ventilation system and coated televisions and other electronics.

Palmore said agents had a search warrant for the home to check possible drug-related activity when they found thousands of pills. Palmore said investigators believe the suspect was a mass producer of illegal substances.

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Reel Thanx event

The organization Reel Thanx's next trip for wounded heroes is set for this weekend. Riders4Fighters will be greeting the veterans beginning 10 a.m. today at the corner of Midland Drive and Tanforan Drive.

Things to do

■ Storytime for children age 3 to 5, 10:30 a.m., Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center, 685-7376.

■ Holly Tucker, Friday at First, First Baptist Church's fellowship hall, 683-0644.

■ "Mary Poppins," through March 15 at Cole Theatre, Midland Community Theatre. www.mctmidland.org, 570-4111.

■ "The Complete Works of William Shakespeare" at Midland Community Theatre. mctmidland.org.

New movies in Midland

■ **Tall City 14:** "Mr. Peabody & Sherman," "300: Rise of an Empire"

■ **At Cinergy Cinemas:** "Mr. Peabody & Sherman," "300: Rise of an Empire"

■ **Big Sky Drive-in:** "Mr. Peabody & Sherman," "300: Rise of an Empire"

Club meeting today

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

Diabetes screening

Midland Health and Senior Services is offering free diabetes screening services for adult residents to improve access to medical services and preventative health care in the community.

Residents older than 18 must fast for at least eight hours before receiving a free blood glucose screening, which will be available 1 to 4 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays at the health department, 3303 W. Illinois Ave, Space 22.

A grant from Midland Memorial Hospital funds the screenings. For more information, call 681-7645.

DWI patrols

The Texas Department of Public Safety will increase DWI patrols between today and March 23 — the spring break periods for many schools across the state. Troopers will focus on high-risk locations at times when alcohol-related crashes are most frequent, according to a press release from DPS.

The enhanced patrols are being funded by a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation. During last year's spring break enforcement period, troopers made more than 1,000 DWI arrests; about 226 were the direct result of the increased patrols funded by the grant, according to the release.

Community calendar

■ The John Ben Shepperd Public Leadership Institute Distinguished Lecture Series will feature Economists: Ray Perryman, Ben Stein and Richard Bowen. The topic of the debate is Blurred Lines: The National Economy — Whose Money Is It?. The event will take place at 7 p.m. March 20 at the Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center.

The co-moderators are Patrick Canty, publisher of the Odessa American and Robert Brescia, executive director of the JBS Leadership Institute. The event is free and open to the public. For more information call 432-552-2850 or www.shepperdinstitute.com.

■ Midland County Republican Women will meet 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Petroleum Club. Guest speakers will be Perry Pendley, president of Mountain States Legal Foundation and author of "Sagebrush Rebel," and Gary Kiehne, House of Representatives candidate from Arizona.

Luncheon tickets are $20 in advance and $25 at the door. To make a reservation, visit www.mcrw.us or call 520-3500.

Gas prices in Midland

■ **Cheapest gas:** $3.21 (H-E-B, Wadley Avenue/Midkiff Road; Murphy USA, Midland Drive/Briarwood Avenue; Stripes, Briarwood/Midland; Texaco, Briarwood/Northcrest)

■ **Most expensive gas:** $3.34 (Town & Country, Andrews Highway and Boeing Drive)

■ **Most common price:** $3.25

■ **Cheapest prices in West Texas:** Lubbock $3.15, Odessa $3.18, San Angelo $3.18, Abilene $3.20, Midland $3.21

	Mid-Od	Texas
Thursday	$3.255	$3.231
Last week	$3.245	$3.219
Last month	$3.048	$3.055
Last year	$3.617	$3.562

Source: TexasGasPrices.com

Clarification

In Thursday's editorial it was mentioned County Judge Mike Bradford is not a member of the Commissioners' Court. It should have read that he is not a commissioner.

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 2-0-1
Pick 3 day: 2-4-8
Pick 3 evening: 9-2-6
Pick 3 night: 3-4-7
Daily 4 morning: 3-3-3-9
Daily 4 day: 6-3-2-7
Daily 4 evening: 1-3-1-4
Daily 4 night: 6-4-4-3
Cash Five: 09-21-28-30-32
Texas Two Step: 5-6-8-34 **BB:** 11
All or Nothing morning: 2-3-4-5-6-10-13-16-17-18-19-24
All or Nothing day: 1-3-4-7-8-14-15-18-19-21-22-24
All or Nothing evening: 2-3-4-06-7-8-11-14-16-17-19-23
All or Nothing night: 1-6-7-8-09-10-12-16-19-21-22

Here comes El Nino; good news for weather woes

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Relief may be on the way for a weather-weary United States with the predicted warming of the central Pacific Ocean brewing this year that will likely change weather worldwide. But it won't be for the better everywhere.

The warming, called an El Nino, is expected to lead to fewer Atlantic hurricanes and more rain next winter for drought-stricken California and southern states, and even a milder winter for the nation's frigid northern tier next year, meteorologists say.

While it could be good news to lessen the southwestern U.S. drought and shrink heating bills next winter in the far north, "worldwide it can be quite a different story," said North Carolina State University atmospheric sciences professor Ken Kunkel. "Some areas benefit. Some don't."

Globally, it can mean an even hotter year coming up and billions of dollars in losses for food crops.

The National Oceanic Atmospheric and Administration issued an official El Nino watch Thursday. An El Nino is a warming of the central Pacific once every few years, from a combination of wind and waves in the tropics. It shakes up climate around the world, changing rain and temperature patterns.

Mike Halpert, acting director of NOAA's Climate Prediction Center, says the El Nino warming should develop by this summer, but that there are no guarantees. Although early signs are appearing already a few hundred feet below the ocean surface, meteorologists say an El Nino started to brew in 2012 and then shut down suddenly and unexpectedly.

The flip side of El Nino is called a La Nina, which has a general cooling effect. It has been much more frequent than El Ninos lately, with five La Ninas and two small-to-moderate El Ninos in the past nine years. The last big El Nino was 1997-1998. Neither has appeared since mid-2012. El Ninos are usually strongest from December to April.

Kevin Trenberth, a senior scientist at the National Center for Atmospheric Research, who wasn't part of NOAA's forecast, agreed that an El Nino is brewing.

"This could be a substantial event and I think we're due," Trenberth said. "And I think it could have major consequences."

Halpert said it is too early to say how strong this El Nino will be. The last four have been weak or moderate and those have fewer effects on weather.



Courtesy Rooster McConaughey

Matthew McConaughey, right, and his brother, Rooster, partake in Thanksgiving Day festivities together last year in Los Angeles.

ROOSTER

From 1A

worried about his little brother, who had to lose a lot of weight to fit the part of a sick AIDS patient.

"I only got to see him after he had gained a little bit of it back," he said. "He looked like an old cow that had been lying out there dead for 45 days. He looked pretty rough."

All jokes aside, McConaughey said he couldn't be happier for his brother. He also got to meet Meryl Streep and Paul McCartney at Madonna's after-party — which he didn't mind, he said, laughing.

McConaughey said he was at the party until the wee hours of the morning and couldn't even keep track of all the celebrities he saw. The party, he said, had so many people that it felt like a college campus.

McConaughey added that the A-Listers were nicer than most would expect.

"When you get them in a relaxed environment, they really are just regular people," McConaughey said. "When you get them out in public, they're a little gun shy."

Regardless of his bother's glamorous Hollywood lifestyle, McConaughey said he still sees Matthew as his little brother.

"He's a movie star, and that's just the way it is," McConaughey said.

McConaughey estimated that there is probably only one of his brother's movies that he hasn't seen. His favorite movie is "Mud," which was in theaters last year.

He said it was pretty strange to see his brother on the big screen at first but it has become more normal. The website IMDb lists Matthew McConaughey has made about 45 films since his debut in the Texas cult classic "Dazed and Confused."

But when his brother won the Academy Award this week, Rooster McConaughey said it was, by far, the most exciting thing that has happened yet.

ABBOTT

From 1A

County than did Davis, who got three times as many votes there as the longtime Texas attorney general. Hidalgo County hasn't favored a Republican for governor since George W. Bush in 1998, and four years ago, Gov. Rick Perry lost 2-to-1 to Democratic challenger Bill White.

Abbott said the Texas GOP would reach out to Hispanics like never before this election year. But top Republicans have already been on the defensive: Democrats slammed Abbott's reference to "Third World countries" while describing a rash of corruption cases in the Rio Grande Valley, and Sen. Dan Patrick, who's in a runoff for lieutenant governor, has decried an "invasion" of immigrants coming across the Texas border.

Davis, the first female nominee for Texas governor since Ann Richards, said voters will see that contrast.

"I've been to the border region of this state several times, multiple times actually, in the campaign, and I intend to be there multiple times in the future," Davis said. "I also intend to be there if I have the privilege of being elected to governor after I win, and I think that's one of the most important things to keep in mind."

Some have posited that Madrigal's surname might have given him a boost among voters in heavily Hispanic counties. Kelly Rivera Salazar, chairwoman of the Hidalgo County Democratic Party, acknowledged it was disappointing that Davis didn't pull a majority.

Davis say she won't duck Obama

Democratic state Sen. Wendy Davis said Thursday she's not running away from President Barack Obama, although Republicans are using the president and the policies they disdain in order to slam her bid for governor.

"I'm definitely planning on being at the celebration" that President Obama is scheduled to attend in Austin in April marking the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Davis said at a forum sponsored by The Texas Tribune.

"I'm excited about greeting our president there and our former presidents, who I think are also planning to be there," the Fort Worth lawmaker said.

Besides Obama, who is giving the keynote speech and will be accompanied by his wife, first lady Michelle Obama, the Civil Rights Summit will feature former presidents Jimmy Carter, Bill Clinton and George W. Bush.

Davis made the remarks when Tribune Editor-in-Chief Evan Smith asked whether she would campaign with the president if Obama offered to do so, or avoid appearing with him.

Democratic candidate Bill White, the former Houston mayor, got attention in his 2010 race against Republican Gov. Rick Perry when he opted against appearing with Obama during stops in Austin and Dallas. White instead stuck to a campaign schedule that included Midland, Abilene and Alvarado.

Attorney General Greg Abbott, the Republican nominee for governor, has tied Davis to Obama in a negative way — including when questions were raised about Abbott appearing with rocker Ted Nugent last month despite Nugent's incendiary comments about the president, women and immigrants.

"If you want to talk about people who associate with people, Wendy Davis is more associated with Barack Obama than anybody in the state. I don't think there's anybody in the state who's disliked more than Barack Obama," Abbott said then.

Smith asked Davis if she'd duck if someone wanted to take her photo with Obama.

"No, I'm definitely not going to do that," she said.

San Antonio Express-News

Judge: Texas man can be tried for childhood crime

Associated Press

CONROE — In the years that followed the 1998 attack that horribly burned her then-8-year-old son, Colleen Middleton felt fear and frustration over the possibility that the person she believed was responsible would never be taken to trial.

That fear and frustration was replaced by relief Thursday as a judge ruled that a Texas man accused of dousing the boy with gasoline and setting him on fire when he was a teenager can be tried as an adult for murder after the victim died from his burns 13 years later.

Don Willburn Collins was 13 when authorities allege he attacked Robert Middleton on his eighth birthday near the younger boy's home in Splendora, about 35 miles northeast of Houston. Middleton was burned across 99 percent of his body and endured years of physical therapy before he died in 2011 from skin cancer blamed on his burns.

Colleen Middleton said she is happy her son will finally get his day in court.

"When Robert died we were thinking maybe nothing will ever happen, maybe someone is just going to get away with what they did to him," she said. "It's been a long road."

Robert Middleton named Collins as his attacker and the older boy was arrested in 1998. Collins spent several months in juvenile detention but was released after prosecutors said they didn't have enough evidence to pursue the case.

Shortly before he died, Middleton gave a videotaped deposition in which he accused Collins for the first time of sexually assaulting him two weeks before the attack. The sexual assault allegation prompted investigators to reopen the case. Prosecutors charged the now 28-year-old Collins with murder last year, but they needed to move the case from juvenile to adult court to take him to trial.

After a three-day hearing on the issue this week, state District Judge Kathleen Hamilton ruled that Collins could be tried for murder by an adult court.

"Because the state did not have probable cause to proceed in juvenile court and new evidence has been found since the 18th birthday of (Collins), I have further determined there is probable cause to believe that (Collins) committed the offense alleged," Hamilton said.

Several witnesses testified at the hearing that Collins had confessed to them or others that he was responsible for the attack on Middleton. Part of Middleton's taped deposition also was shown.

Collins was convicted in a separate case of sexually assaulting another 8-year-old boy. Now an adult, the victim testified this week that Collins had threatened to burn him if he told anybody what happened.

Collins' attorney, E. Tay Bond, questioned the reliability of Middleton's statements, as well as secondhand statements from other witnesses.



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Members of Midland City Council, and other city leaders listen to presentations Thursday at the City Council retreat.

PLAN

From 1A

as the most prominent choices. Developers currently pay for infrastructure improvements such as water and sewer lines and adjacent arterial streets when creating a new subdivision or commercial building.

The need to create a significant plan came about as more people continue to move into Midland. The city predicts a population of 200,000 around 2028, assuming the annual growth rate remains at 3.3 to 3.5 percent, a conservative estimate considering that the city's one-year growth is at 4.6 percent, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

The city is also considering more annexations from a year to 10 years away that could increase the city limits from 73.7 square miles to 120.1 square miles. Most of the annexations would occur in the west and north sides of Midland.

"We don't want this community to get further behind," Mayor Jerry Morales said. "If the oil and gas industry, and the aerospace industry are going to be major factors in our economics, we need to begin laying that foundation."

To address some needs now, several roads, such as Tradewinds Boulevard and Avalon Drive, are becoming major thoroughfares with the nearby developments such as the movie theater, subdivisions and corporate office buildings.

The other plans, though, would be for the long term. The new loop highway was estimated to be 30 to 40 years away.

"It's not going to be something that happens overnight but we are working toward that goal," Morales said.

Girl Scouts asked to cut ties with Barbie

Associated Press

NEW YORK — America's top doll, Barbie, finds herself in controversy once again, this time over a business partnership between her manufacturer, Mattel, and the Girl Scouts.

On Thursday, two consumer advocacy groups often critical of corporate advertising tactics — the Campaign for a Commercial-Free Childhood and the Center for a New American Dream — criticized Barbie as a flawed role model for little girls and launched a petition drive urging the Girl Scouts of the USA to end the partnership. The Girls Scouts said they would not do so.

Just a few weeks ago, Mattel incurred widespread criticism — as well as some accolades — for letting Barbie be featured in Sports Illustrated's annual swimsuit edition.

The Girl Scouts' partnership with Mattel, announced last August, includes a Barbie-themed activity book, a website, and a Barbie participation patch — the first Girl Scout uniform patch with corporate sponsorship.

"Holding Barbie, the quintessential fashion doll, up as a role model for Girl Scouts simultaneously sexualizes young girls, idealizes an impossible body type, and undermines the Girl Scouts' vital mission to build 'girls of courage, confidence and character,'" said Susan Linn, director of the Boston-based commercial-free childhood organization.

She said the Barbie patch — targeted at 5-to-8-year-old Daisies and Brownies — would transform these girls into "walking advertisements."

"This is product placement at its worst," said New American Dream's executive director, Wendy Philleo, who described herself as a longtime admirer of the Girl Scouts.

"Our children are already being bombarded by marketers' pitches at stores, at home, online, on TV, and in school," said Philleo, whose Charlottesville, Va.-based group tries to counter the commercialization of American culture.

The Girl Scouts' national headquarters in New York rejected the groups' appeal.

"Our partnership with Mattel focuses on career exploration and teaches girls about inspiring women in a fun way," said spokeswoman Kelly Parisi. "We stand behind this partnership, as it helps us bring to over 2 million Girl Scouts the message that they can do anything."

That's the essence of the Barbie uniform patch — a bright pink oval with a gold-letter slogan stitched on it: "Be anything. Do everything."

Barbie — still slim-waisted and long-legged after 55 years — had pursued roughly 150 different careers, and she stretched her boundaries again in February by posing along with real-life supermodels in Sports Illustrated's 50th anniversary swimsuit issue. Anticipating the criticism that ensued, Mattel promoted the campaign with the catchword "unapologetic."

In announcing the partnership with Mattel last year, Girl Scouts CEO Anna Maria Chavez depicted both her own organization and Barbie as "American icons."

"Together, we are teaching girls that their futures are wide open with possibilities," Chavez said at the time.

Parisi, in an e-mail Thursday, said Mattel gave the Girl Scouts $2 million to implement the Barbie-themed initiatives. At the time the partnership was announced, the Girl Scouts were struggling financially, with revenue shortfalls prompting the national headquarters to trim about one-fourth of its staff through buyouts and layoffs.

The Campaign for a Commercial-Free Childhood said the Girl Scouts' Barbie-themed website included a game that would encourage girls to identify careers based on attire — "from a veterinarian in a frilly miniskirt, to a pink-suited U.S. president, to a race car driver in stilettos."

Said Susan Linn, the campaign director: "The website is little more than an interactive ad for Barbie promoting the brand's insidious message that women really are what they wear."

Linn said she communicated privately with the Girl Scouts last year, hoping they would end the Mattel partnership without the need for a public advocacy campaign, but those efforts failed.

A psychologist who teaches at Harvard Medical School, Linn founded the Campaign for a Commercial-Free Childhood in 2000. It now reports a membership of 54,000, many of them parents.

The group's advocacy campaigns have achieved numerous victories, notably in forcing several companies to halt or modify advertising claiming that certain videos and other products could help infants learn. It also has helped block proposed state laws that would have allowed advertising on school buses.

The Center for a New American Dream, a nonprofit founded in 1997, says its mission is to help Americans reduce and modify the level of consumption "to improve quality of life, protect the environment, and promote social justice."



AP file photo

A mock-up cover of Barbie on a Sports Illustrated swimsuit issue is displayed Feb. 14 at the Mattel booth at the American International Toy Fair in New York. A few weeks after her foray into the Sports Illustrated swimsuit edition, Barbie is entangled in controversy again, this time over her ties with the Girl Scouts.

Massachusetts OKs bill outlawing 'upskirt' photos

Associated Press

BOSTON — Massachusetts lawmakers approved legislation Thursday to crack down on those who secretly take photographs of "the sexual or other intimate parts" of women or children in public.

Approval of the bill, which also would apply to male victims, came a day after the state's highest court ruled that a man who took cellphone photos up the skirts of female passengers riding the Boston subway didn't violate state law.

Top lawmakers said the bill will send a clear message to those who take so-called "upskirt" photos.

"It is sexual harassment. It's an assault on another person whether it's a child or an adult," Senate President Therese Murray said moments after the Senate unanimously approved the bill. "Women and children should be able to go to public places without feeling that they are not protected by the law."

The legislation says anyone who "photographs, videotapes or electronically surveils" another person's sexual or intimate parts without that person's consent face a misdemeanor charge and a maximum penalty of two-and-a-half years in jail and a $5,000 fine.

The crime becomes a felony with a maximum penalty of five years in prison and a $10,000 fine for photographs or recordings of a child under 18. Distributing such photos would carry a maximum punishment of 10 years in prison and a $10,000 fine.

Michigan: Failure to reset alarms key to prison escape

Associated Press

LANSING, Mich. — A convicted quadruple killer escaped from a Michigan prison for 24 hours last month primarily because guards didn't properly operate the motion-detector alarms at a gate the inmate pried open with scissors and a belt buckle, investigators concluded Thursday.

A control center officer failed to reset two alarms for 5 1/2 hours after they were tested, and a supervisor who noticed the problem left when her shift was over without notifying others to check the gate, according to a report by the state Corrections Department's internal affairs division.

If the alarms had been properly reactivated, the investigation found, Michael Elliot could have been detected in the vicinity of a vehicle gate during his nearly three-hour escape Feb. 2. Investigators deemed it a "critical error" that played a "major role."

Corrections spokesman Russ Marlan said that the motion detectors previously have been tripped by birds and squirrels, possibly leading guards to sometimes ignore the alarms, although in this case, the alarms weren't properly set.

The review also determined an alarm sensor in another area of the Ionia Correctional Facility was misaligned and pointing too high, allowing Elliot — who dressed entirely in white to blend with snow — to crawl underneath an invisible detection beam without being noticed.



A Putin victory would be one for the ages

■ Another Obama foreign policy misstep results in the US being played by Russia



CHARLES KRAUTHAMMER
Washington Post Writers Group

Vladimir Putin is a lucky man. And he's got three more years of luck to come.

He takes Crimea, and President Obama says it's not in Russia's interest, not even strategically clever. Indeed, it's a sign of weakness.

Really? Crimea belonged to Moscow for 200 years. Russia conquered it 20 years before the U.S. acquired Louisiana. Lost it in the humiliation of the 1990s. Putin got it back in about three days without firing a shot.

Now Russia looms over the rest of eastern and southern Ukraine. Putin can take that anytime he wants — if he wants. He has already destabilized the nationalist government in Kiev. Ukraine is now truncated and on the life support of U.S. and European money (much of which — cash for gas — will end up in Putin's treasury anyway).

Obama says Putin is on the wrong side of history and Secretary of State John Kerry says Putin's is "really 19th-century behavior in the 21st century."

This must mean that seeking national power, territory, dominion — the driving impulse of nations since Thucydides — is obsolete. As if a calendar change caused a revolution in human nature that transformed the international arena from a Hobbesian struggle for power into a gentleman's club where violations of territorial integrity just don't happen.

"That is not 21st century, G-8, major-nation behavior," says Kerry. Makes invasion sound like a breach of etiquette — like using the wrong fork at a Beacon Hill dinner party.

How to figure out Obama's foreign policy? In his first U.N. speech, he says: "No one nation can or should try to dominate another nation." On what planet? Followed by the assertion that "alignments of nations rooted in the cleavages of a long-gone Cold War" — like NATO? — "make no sense in an interconnected world."

Putin's more cynical advisers might have thought such adolescent universalism to be a ruse. But Obama coupled these amazing words with even more amazing actions.

(1) Upon coming into office, he initiated the famous "reset" to undo the "drift" in relations that had occurred during the George W. Bush years. But that drift was largely due to the freezing of relations Bush imposed after Russia's invasion of Georgia. Obama undid that pushback and wiped the slate clean — demanding nothing in return.

(2) Canceled missile-defense agreements with Poland and the Czech Republic. Without even consulting them. A huge concession to Putin's threats — while again asking nothing in return. And sending a message that, while Eastern Europe may think it achieved post-Cold War independence, in reality it remains in play, subject to Russian influence and interests.

(3) In 2012, Obama assured Dmitry Medvedev that he would be even more flexible with Putin on missile defense as soon as he got past the election.

(4) The Syria debacle. Obama painted himself into a corner on chemical weapons — threatening to bomb and then backing down — and allowed Putin to rescue him with a promise to get rid of Syria's stockpiles. Obama hailed this as a great win-win, when both knew — or did Obama really not know? — that he had just conferred priceless legitimacy on Bashar al-Assad and made Russia the major regional arbiter for the first time in 40 years.

(5) Obama keeps cutting defense spending. His latest budget will reduce it to 3 percent of GDP by 2016 and cut the Army to pre-Pearl Harbor size — just as Russia is rebuilding, as Iran is going nuclear and as China announces yet another 12-plus percent increase in military spending.

Puzzling. There is no U.S. financial emergency, no budgetary collapse. Obama declares an end to austerity — for every government department except the military.

Can Putin be faulted for believing that if he bites off Crimea and threatens Kiev, Obama's response will be minimal and his ability to lead the Europeans even less so?

Would Putin have lunged for Ukraine if he didn't have such a clueless adversary? No one can say for sure. But it certainly made Putin's decision easier.

Russia will get kicked out of the G-8 — if Obama can get Angela Merkel to go along. Big deal. Putin does care about financial sanctions, but the Europeans are already divided and squabbling among themselves.

Next weekend's Crimean referendum will ask if it should be returned to Mother Russia. Can Putin refuse? He can already see the history textbooks: Catherine the Great conquered Crimea, Vlad (the Great?) won it back. Not bad for a 19th-century man.

OUR VIEW

Energy Tower rivals need to make changes to their messages

Laurels

For the Midland Classical girls basketball team. The Lady Knights beat No. 1 Austin Brentwood to win the Texas Association Private and Parochial Schools Class 3A basketball crown. We are proud of the powerhouse program being built at MCA. Congrats to the Lady Knights for another title.

For Gabrielle Rubio. There is good news for next year's Reporter-Telegram spelling bee field. A Rubio will not be competing for the championship trophy. The Alamo Junior High eighth-grader collected her family's fourth straight spelling bee title and fifth overall. Gabrielle will represent Midland in the national spelling bee, just like her brother, Thomas, and sister, Danielle, before her. Midland may never again see a run of spellers like the Rubios, and there are a lot of future Reporter-Telegram spelling bee entrants who are fine with that.

For Jonathan Hull. He is now a former Reporter-Telegram sports writer as he is taking his talents to another part of the state. Hull represents a reporter who loves what he does and brings a passion few people outside our building realize. There are many like Jonathan our our staff. They don't write, take pictures or lay out the paper because of the money, but because they love what they do and they want to bring you the best journalism possible. We are lucky to have them. We hope you feel the same way. Good luck, Jonathan.

No laurel or arrow, yet

For Voice of Midland. We like that this group seeks a voice in local politics. The process is better when more people are part of the dialogue. However, the group's effort to gather signatures to force a charter election to stop public assistance for the Energy Tower project appears to be flawed. According to a city official, a charter election cannot invalidate existing contracts or commitments properly executed by the city. On the surface, it appears Voice of Midland members didn't do their homework before taking the group's message and protest to Midland. It could be an opportunity lost considering how much opposition Energy Tower has in this community.

For William Meyer. As president of Energy Related Properties, the developer of Energy Tower, he has taken a number of shots over his project that promises to change our community forever. We appreciate that Meyer is commenting about the project, and yes, he should defend it and defend ERP's requests for public contributions to the project. However, in trying to attack the messenger with repeated Chick-fil-A references, he cheapens what it is ERP is trying to accomplish. Those who back Energy Tower need to stay on the message of what they believe it will do for downtown and this community. That is what Midlanders need to hear. Taking shots at people who are protesting something they don't like in the community isn't advancing the conversation or endearing ERP to the community.

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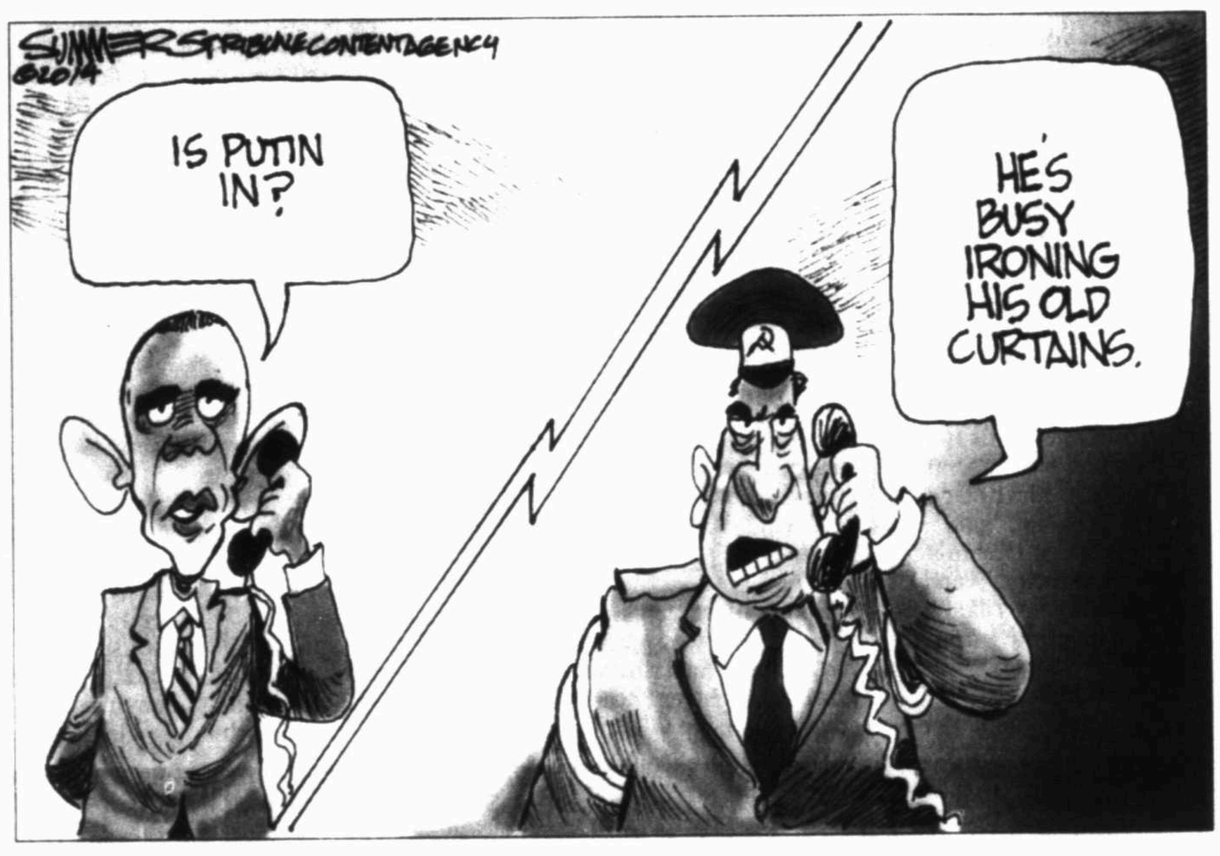
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Obama misses with Russian reset

■ There is nowhere left for the president to go but admitting Putin has different interests and adjusting accordingly



RICH LOWRY
King Features Syndicate

The "reset" with Russia had a brief, unhappy life. It began with then-Secretary of State Hillary Clinton presenting her Russian counterpart with a mistranslated reset button reading "overcharged." It ended with current Secretary of State John Kerry denying knowledge of the late, unlamented policy on "Meet the Press": "Well, I don't know what you mean by the reset."

Memories are short in Foggy Bottom. And understandably. Who wouldn't try to forget a geopolitical initiative that has been exposed as willful naivete and strategic obtuseness from the beginning?

George Kennan wrote the famous "Long Telegram" at the outset of the Cold War. President Barack Obama would have needed only "A Very Brief Telegram" at the outset of his administration: "Bush's fault."

This was a perverse misreading of history. Of all President George W. Bush's failings, not giving the Russians a chance wasn't one of them. He notoriously looked into Russian President Vladimir Putin's eyes at the beginning of his presidency and saw sweetness and light. By the end, his illusions were shattered by the Russian invasion of Georgia in 2008.

President Obama picked up like this Russian act of aggression had been perpetrated long ago by the Grand Duke of Muscovy, instead of by the very regime he was resetting with.

In a 2009 visit to Moscow, the springtime of reset, President Obama professed his belief "that Americans and Russians have a common interest in the development of rule of law, the strengthening of democracy, and the protection of human rights." He was 0 for 3.

It didn't take a student of Russian history, or of international relations or even of the model U.N., to know that this would end in ashes.

At one level, the Obama administration was guilty of the human impulse of wanting to see the world as you would like it to be rather than as it is.

At another, the president is not particularly interested in international relations. It was appropriate that one of his statements on the crisis came at an elementary school while announcing his latest budget, which reduces the U.S. Army to pre-World War II levels. Because we all know that we will never face an unexpected, unpredictable international crisis again.

This gets to the deeper ambition. The president thought Putin would help him manage an American stand-down from global leadership. Putin was happy to do so — on his own terms.

Whereas Obama has the left's traditional discomfort with American power, Putin has no such guilty conscience. Whereas Obama believes we've entered a paradisiacal new period in history when everyone can be constrained by international norms, Putin has no such delusions.

Consider the New START treaty. According to nuclear expert Keith Payne, it didn't require any cuts of deployed warheads or strategic launchers by Russia, which was already under the agreement's limits, only by the United States.

Still, the administration treats the treaty as a signal triumph of American diplomacy. You can imagine Russian national-security analysts arguing over whether this is more pathetic or hilarious.

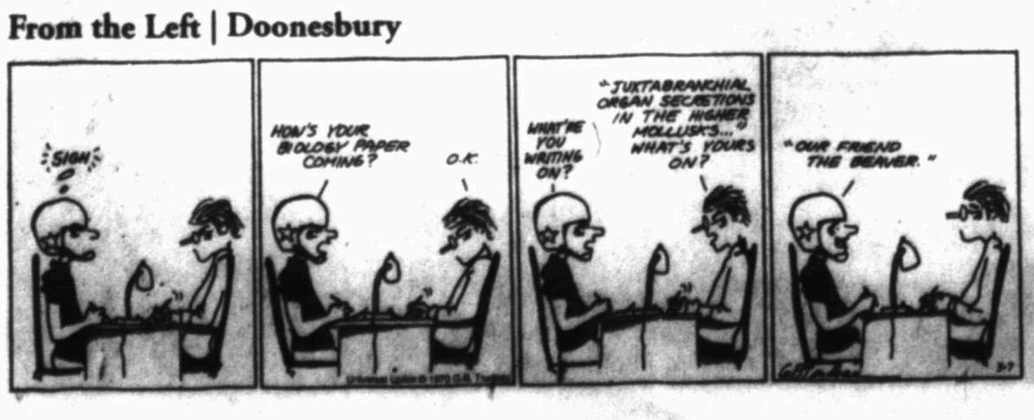
The attitudes behind the reset linger. John Kerry's plaintive observation that the invasion of Crimea is "a 19th-century act in the 21st century" carries the quaint assumption that raw power politics and nationalist pride are things we left behind two centuries ago.

In a similar vein, President Obama said last week that Ukraine's stability and success are "in Russia's interest." Not if you are Vladimir Putin and stung by the humiliation of the Russian empire's diminishment after the end of the Cold War and informed by Catherine the Great's belief that the only way to secure Russia borders is to extend them.

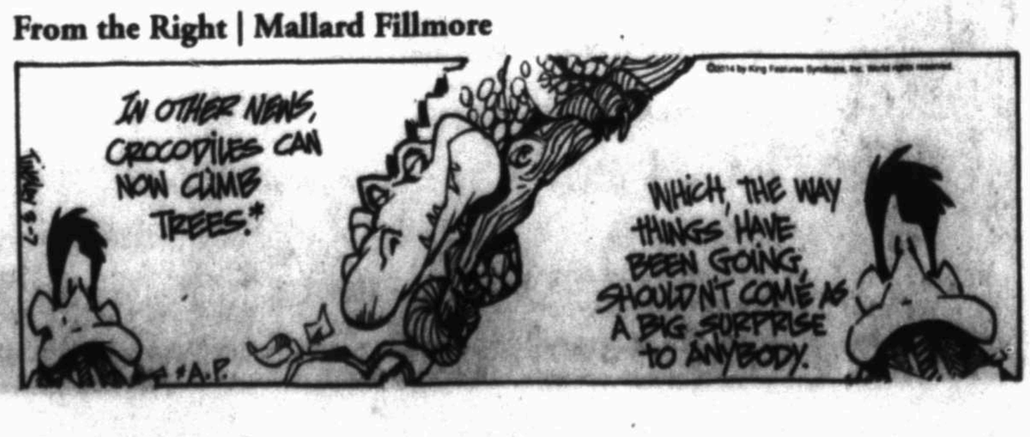
President Obama declares that Russia is on the wrong side of history. That may be a clinching argument in a debate over gay marriage at Wesleyan University, but won't carry much weight with Putin. He thinks he can make history move with lies, thuggery and iron.

It's now Obama's challenge to prove him wrong.

From the Left | Doonesbury



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FROM WIRE REPORTS

Senate blocks change to military sex assault cases

The Senate on Thursday blocked a bill that would have stripped senior military commanders of their authority to prosecute or prevent charges for alleged rapes and other serious offenses, capping an emotional, nearly yearlong fight over how to curb sexual assault in the ranks.

The vote was 55-45, short of the 60 necessary to move ahead on the legislation sponsored by Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand, D-N.Y. Defeated but unbowed, the senator received hugs from Sens. Amy Klobuchar, D-Minn., and Jeanne Shaheen, D-N.H., after the vote.

The Pentagon's leadership vigorously opposed the measure, arguing that officers should have more responsibility, not less, for the conduct of the men and women they lead.

Proponents of the bill insisted that far-reaching changes in the Uniform Code of Military Justice are necessary to curb a scourge of rapes and sexual assaults. Under Gillibrand's proposal, the decision to take serious crimes to courts-martial would be given to military trial lawyers who have prosecutorial experience and would operate out of a newly established office independent of the chain of command.

Obama: West won't let Kremlin carve up Ukraine

President Barack Obama ordered the West's first sanctions in response to Russia's military takeover of Crimea on Thursday, declaring his determination not to let the Kremlin carve up Ukraine. He asserted that a hastily scheduled referendum on Crimea seceding and becoming part of Russia would violate international law.

European leaders announced their own measures but split over how forcefully to follow America's lead. Obama threatened further steps if Russia persists.

While East and West no longer threaten nuclear war and have vastly expanded commercial ties, Russia is determined to dominate the future of the former Soviet republics along its borders. Washington, its NATO partners and others across the continent are striving to pull these nations out of Moscow's orbit.

Underscoring his resolve to Putin, Obama issued an executive action slapping new visa restrictions on Russian and other opponents of Ukraine's government in Kiev and authorizing wider financial penalties against those involved in the military intervention or in stealing state assets.

Senators: Quicker action needed on safety rules

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Government regulators are taking too long to write new rail safety regulations in light of recent fiery oil train accidents and a deadly commuter train derailment, senators complained Thursday.

Railroads are also taking too long to implement safety improvements Congress ordered under legislation passed seven years ago, lawmakers said at a hearing before the Senate's surface transportation panel.

Sen. Richard Blumenthal, D-Conn., the panel's chairman, said he is "disappointed and disturbed by some of the delays and failures in rulemaking and scrutiny."

"One of the things we're going to do here is impose accountability," he said.

Cynthia Quarterman, head of the Pipeline and Hazardous Material Safety Administration, said her agency is working as fast as possible to draft new standards for tank cars used to transport crude oil. She said it takes time to address the more than 100,000 public comments the agency has received, as well as fulfill other requirements of the federal rulemaking process.

The cars, known as DOT-111s, were involved in explosions and fires following derailments of oil trains near Casselton, N.D., in December and Lac-Megantic, Quebec, just across the U.S. border, in July. Forty-seven people were killed in Lac-Megantic and much of the town center destroyed. The North Dakota accident occurred a half mile from Casselton, causing the evacuation of more than 2,000 people.

U.S. freight railroads transported about 415,000 carloads of crude in 2013, up from just 9,500 in 2008, according to government and industry figures. The increase is overwhelmingly due to the hydraulic fracturing boom in the Bakken region, which is mainly in North Dakota, but also extends into parts of Montana and Canada.

The National Transportation Safety Board, which has urged replacement or retrofitting of the tank cars since 1991, calls the original DOT-111 cars still in use an "unacceptable safety risk."

In 2011, the Association of American Railroads issued updated DOT-111 standards in response to the safety criticism. Tank car makers have been using those voluntary industry standards since, but accident investigators and government regulators say those standards don't go far enough, which is why the government is drafting standards now.

Prentiss Searles, testifying for the American Petroleum Institute, said the oil industry hasn't seen evidence that standards need to be toughened beyond the voluntary industry standards. On the other hand, Edward Hamberger, head of the railroad association, said railroads agree new standards are needed.

"This is shaping up as a regulatory fight here," said Sen. Heidi Heitkamp, D-N.D.



AP file photo

Legislation proposed Thursday in Kentucky would let Sen. Rand Paul, seen here in Washington, D.C., in February, run for both president and re-election as senator if passed.

Kentucky bill would let Paul run for 2 offices at same time

Associated Press

FRANKFORT, Ky. — U.S. Sen. Rand Paul faces a potential quandary as he weighs whether to run for president in 2016 or focus solely on re-election to his Senate seat. Legislation introduced Thursday in his home state would allow him to run for both.

The measure would clarify that current Kentucky law, which prevents someone from running for multiple offices, does not apply to federal elections, said state Senate Majority Leader Damon Thayer.

His bill would allow Kentucky candidates' names to appear twice on the same ballot if one or both offices sought are federal offices.

"He (Paul) is the impetus for it, but it could affect anyone in the federal delegation," said Thayer, R-Georgetown, who introduced the bill in the GOP-led Kentucky Senate.

Thayer said he was approached by Paul's staff about the legislation and later spoke several times with Kentucky's freshman senator about it. He waited until the last day bills could be introduced in the Senate in the current session to bring it forward. The 60-day session is two-thirds complete.

Paul, a Republican who rose to national prominence as a tea party favorite, is seriously considering a run for the White House in 2016. The son of ex-U.S. Rep. and former presidential candidate Ron Paul has visited early primary and caucus states to gauge support for his own possible presidential run.

He also will be up for re-election to the Senate in 2016. Paul has said he has not made any decision about running for president.

"He's 100 percent committed to running for re-election to the Senate," Paul spokesman Dan Bayens said. "Regardless of what other decisions he makes, he'll be on the ballot for Senate in Kentucky."

Another Paul staff member said the senator believes he can legally run for two federal offices at the same time but wants to clear up any doubts with Thayer's bill.

"Federal law governs federal elections, and the Supreme Court has made it clear that states cannot impose additional qualifications beyond those in the Constitution," said Doug Stafford, a Paul senior adviser. "We are not seeking to change the law, but rather to clarify that the Kentucky statute does not apply to federal elections. We thank Sen. Thayer for taking this step in clarifying this issue."

If the Republican-run state Senate passes the bill, it faces an uphill struggle in the Democratic-led state House.

Nominee to head CFTC promises tough enforcement

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama's choice to head an agency overseeing potentially risky financial market activities is promising to act aggressively against misconduct to ensure investors' confidence.

The nominee as chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Timothy Massad, said at his Senate confirmation hearing Thursday that he'll make enforcement a top priority if he is approved for the position.

Massad also said he would pursue final action on a revised rule aimed at clamping down on speculative trades that can drive up food and gas prices. The CFTC's original rule was struck down in 2012 by a federal court.

The CFTC, which regulates futures and options markets as well as derivatives trading, oversees some of the riskiest corners of the financial world. Derivatives were blamed for fueling the financial crisis.

Some consumer advocates are asking whether Massad, a Treasury Department official, will be as aggressive as his predecessor in holding big Wall Street banks to new, stricter standards.

If confirmed as expected, he would succeed Gary Gensler, a Wall Street veteran who surprised many by becoming a tough regulator who pushed for stricter rules that large banks had lobbied against.

For three years, Massad, 57, oversaw the Treasury's Troubled Asset Relief Program, the bank bailout program that was launched in response to the crisis. Under TARP, the government lent about $422 billion to bail out financial companies and automakers. The companies have repaid around $370 billion.

Massad would oversee the implementation and enforcement of CFTC rules that were enacted to meet the agency's mandate under the 2010 financial overhaul law.

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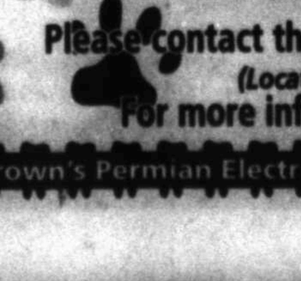
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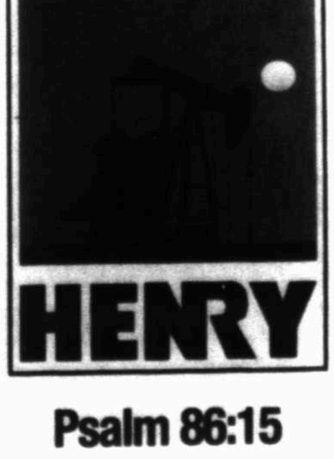
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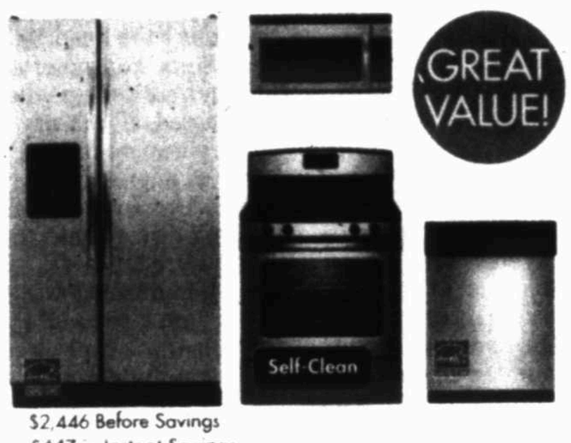
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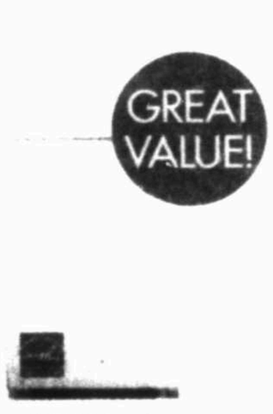
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THIS WEEK



CONCERT Holly Tucker will perform 6:30 p.m. today at First Baptist Church's First Fridays.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS St. Nicholas' Episcopal Church will offer Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent.

COMING SOON



GOLF TOURNAMENT Church Under the Bridge is gearing up for its Inaugural Golf Tournament this month at Nueva Vista Golf Course.

See more calendar items on page 5B.

GOOD NEIGHBORS



HABITAT BUILD A group from Key Energy volunteered at a Habitat for Humanity house Feb. 27. The company plans to bring more volunteers to a build in May. Brian Cunningham, Colin Stewart, Tony Valles and Bill Lawless are shown working on the house in the photo above.

30 DAYS OF GIVING Bealls is turning the month of March into "30 Days of Giving." All customers who visit the Midland store between March 1-30 will be invited to donate to Hospice of Midland.

FOOD DRIVE Albertsons on Wednesday presented the West Texas Food Bank with 50 pallets of food valued at more than $73,000. The food was collected during the annual Souper Bowl of Caring food drive. The amount is almost $17,000 more than was raised last year.

SPARE CHANGE Reporter-Telegram Managing Editor Mary Dearen is collecting change she finds on her daily walks. This year, Dearen is raising funds for SHARE — Sharing Hands: A Respite Experience, a local nonprofit that supports parents of kids with special needs. Anyone who would like to add to Dearen's collection of pennies, nickles, dimes and quarters can contact her at 687-8852 or mdearen@mrt.com.

IN NEED

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ASH WEDNESDAY





The Rev. David Herrera gives ashes to parishioners at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish and Shrine during the noon Mass for Ash Wednesday service

Tim Fischer Reporter-Telegram

Fish Fridays: Local restaurants cater to the Lenten season

By Rich Lopez
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Coming Sunday

Seafood restaurants prepare for boost in business.

As the season of Lent gets underway, so does the ritual of having fish on Friday. Most fast food restaurants will add or talk up their fish sandwich specials, but why settle for the quick and easy? For other options, these Midland restaurants can add a dash of delicious while maintaining Lenten protocol.

Cancun Bar and Grill

The downtown restaurant already offers a healthy dose of fish dishes from its lobster and shrimp enchiladas to its seafood chile relleno, but the restaurant also will have weekly fresh fish specials. Other items on the menu include salmon filet, seafood enchilada and a tortilla crusted snapper.

Open Fridays from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and 5:30-9 p.m. 223 W. Wall St.

No. 117 Eatery

The DoubleTree's restaurant will add some upscale flair to dinner. Start off with a jumbo shrimp cocktail appetizer and then dive into the spicy fried catfish served with raspberry cole slaw, or the blackened salmon served over a spicy penne pasta with garlic bread or even a pan-seared potato-crusted halibut served with tomato vin blanc sauce and the vegetable du jour. Other dishes include shrimp fettuccine with creamy pesto and sautéed garlic or the stuffed avocado salad with tuna.

Open Fridays from 6:30 a.m.-10 p.m. 117 W. Wall St.

Eddie's Catfish Company

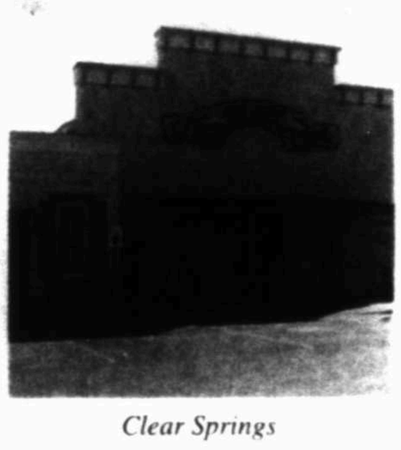
Keep it simple and casual at Eddie's. The recipe is old-fashioned and the filets are huge. Baskets feature fried shrimp, fried catfish and the usual suspects of French fries, hushpup-

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FISH FRIDAY FRIENDLY



Cancun Bar and Grill



Clear Springs



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Shogun



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The Rev. Mark Telschow with the Holy Cross Orthodox Church.

Orthodox church begins plans for new building

By Ragini Venkatasubban
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For the congregation of Holy Cross Orthodox Church, the church is a sacred space. It's a place to leave the world of sin behind and truly live in the kingdom of heaven.

"We are really alive when we are here," said the Rev. Mark Telschow, pastor. "Ours is a faith where we move somewhere, and though it may be a great town, if the church isn't there, we're not going to raise our family there."

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For the Orthodox Christians of Midland, that sacred space is currently a room in the gymnasium of St. Stephen's Catholic Church, where they have been

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When life throws you a major curveball, like the loss of a job, home or relationship, it can be hard to recover. You may not feel like you can go on, but fortunately, God is there. When all appears to be lost, you can count on God to comfort you and give you the strength to carry on.

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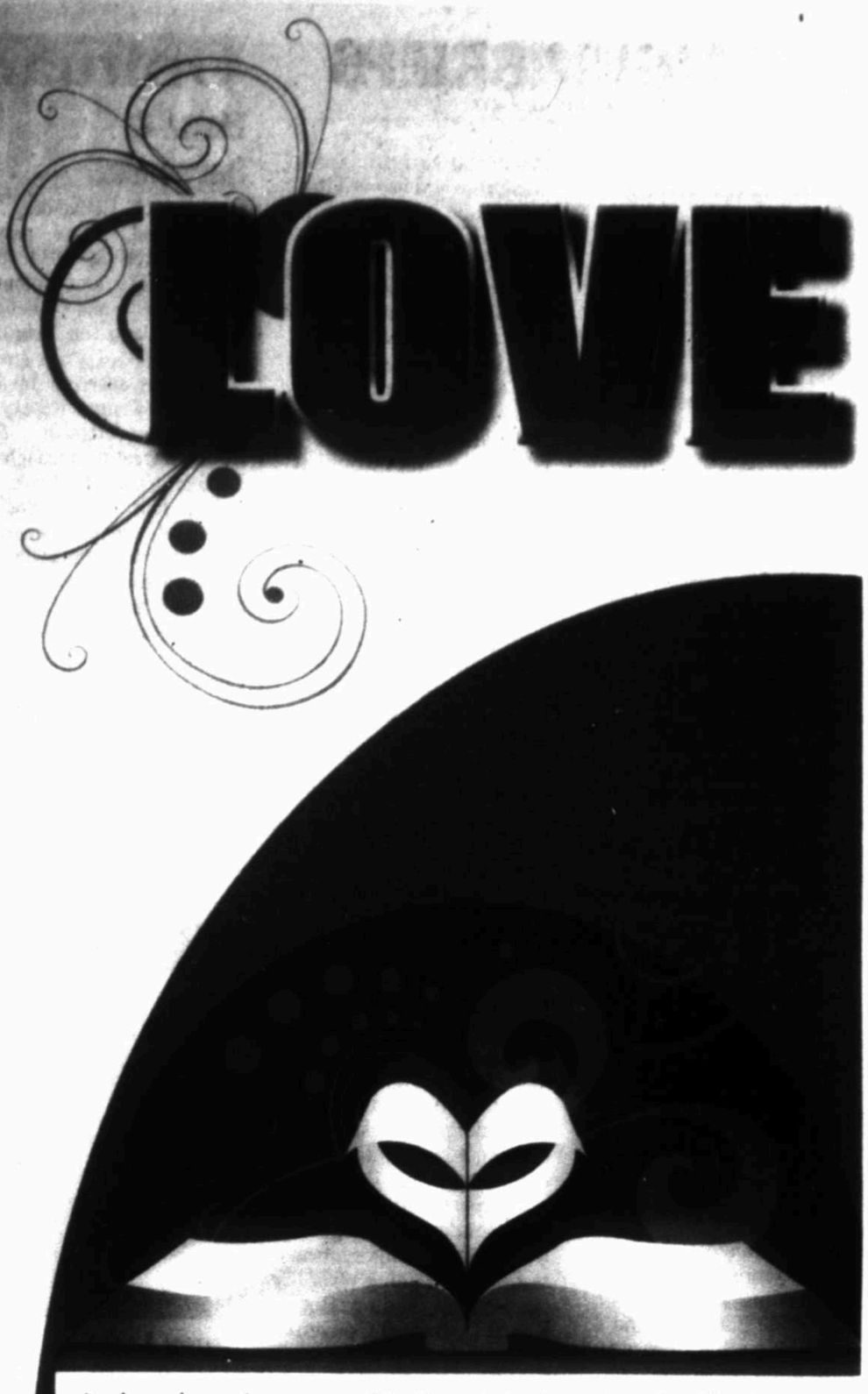
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1 John 4:16

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FROM WIRE REPORTS

VATICAN CITY

Pope reveals he took his late confessor's cross

Pope Francis confessed Thursday that he took the rosary cross of his late confessor from his casket and wears it to this day in a fabric pouch under his cassock. He said he did so telling the late priest, "Give me half your mercy."

Francis made the revelation Thursday during an informal chat with Roman priests about the need to be merciful to their flocks. He told the story of the "great confessor" of Buenos Aires who had heard confessions from most of the diocesan priests, as well as from Pope John Paul II when he visited Argentina.

When the priest died, Francis went to pray by his open casket and was stunned that no one had brought any flowers.

"This man forgave the sins of all the priests of Buenos Aires, but not a single flower ...?" Francis recalled. So he went out and bought a bouquet of roses, and when he returned to arrange them around the casket, he saw the rosary the priest still held in his hand.

"And immediately there came to mind the thief we all have inside ourselves, and while I arranged the flowers I took the cross and with just a bit of force I removed it," he said, showing with his hands how he pulled the cross off the rosary. "And in that moment I looked at him and I said 'Give me half your mercy.'"

Francis said he kept the cross in his shirt pocket for years but that the cassock he wears now as pope doesn't have a pocket. He now keeps it in a little pouch underneath.

"And whenever a bad thought comes to mind about someone, my hand goes here, always," he said, gesturing to his heart. "And I feel the grace, and that makes me feel better."

RHODE ISLAND

Legion of Christ lawsuit moves ahead

PROVIDENCE — A federal judge in Rhode Island has agreed to let a lawsuit move forward against the Roman Catholic religious order the Legion of Christ, turning down an attempt by the disgraced order to end the lawsuit brought over a late Yale University professor's $1 million bequest.

U.S. District Judge Ronald Lagueux signed an order last week to adopt a magistrate judge's recommendation that the lawsuit be allowed to proceed. The decision does not address the merits of Paul Chu's claims, only whether he has standing to sue.

It's the second lawsuit making its way through the courts in Rhode Island that raises questions about how the Legion secured large donations from elderly supporters.

The other is in state court and involves around $60 million left by a wealthy widow. It was dismissed because the judge found the woman's niece did not have standing to sue, but a state Supreme Court appeal is pending.

In the federal lawsuit, Chu, the son of retired mechanical engineering professor James Boa-Teh Chu, says his father was wrongly coerced, defrauded and deceived into signing over $1 million to $2 million to the Legion before he died in 2009. He says his father, who lived in East Providence, R.I., was led to believe the Legion's founder, the late Rev. Marcial Maciel, was a saint, even as the Vatican was investigating serious sexual abuse allegations about him.

SEATTLE

Gay vice principal to sue Catholic school

Gay Vice-Principal Mark Zmuda, who was forced out of his job at Eastside Catholic High School, says he plans to file a lawsuit against the school and the Seattle Archdiocese today.

The departure in December of the popular teacher, coach and vice principal was protested around the region and with two online petitions.

The school and the church decided Zmuda couldn't continue in his job after they learned he had married his same-sex partner. They cited an employment agreement Zmuda had signed that said his public behaviors would at all times be consistent with the values and teachings of the Catholic Church.

The lawsuit to be filed in King County Superior Court accuses the school and the church of discrimination, wrongful termination and violation of the state consumer protection laws.

KENTUCKY

Gay hiring fears hurt Baptist agency fundraising

LOUISVILLE — Uncertainty over a short-lived proposal to open employment to gays at Kentucky's largest private child care agency prompted many of its supportive churches to withhold giving last year, causing a multi-million dollar shortfall.

Sunrise Children's Services depends on giving from Baptist congregations in Kentucky, along with government funding. But Kentucky Baptist Convention executive director Paul Chitwood said those offerings dried up last year because donors were concerned that the proposal to allow gay workers might succeed.

The Sunrise board ultimately rejected the proposal introduced by Bill Smithwick, then CEO of Sunrise. But the flap left the agency that cares daily for about 600 children with a funding shortfall of about $7.5 million.

"Most of our churches decided not to take the annual offering for Sunrise because they feared that Smithwick was going to lead Sunrise away from" the Kentucky Baptist Convention, Chitwood said. The state convention, which is affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention and has about 2,400 member churches in Kentucky, is conservative on social issues and opposes gay marriage.

Chitwood and church leaders are hoping congregations statewide will be able to raise about $5 million during a drive in May to make up for the funding gap.

"Now we're going back and asking them to make that up," he said.

Sunrise Children's Services, formerly known as Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children, has an annual $27 million budget and operates eight residential treatment centers around the state. The agency shelters abused and neglected children, and also offers psychiatric services. Its board is approved by the state Baptist convention and it has a covenant agreement that stipulates the agency "shall maintain its distinctive Baptist character."

OHIO

Questions over 'Jesus' prayer at city council

CUYAHOGA FALLS — A chaplain's prayer invoking the name of Jesus to open council meetings in a northeast Ohio city is stirring debate over separation of church and state.

For years it was traditional to begin Cuyahoga Falls council meetings with quotes, poems or a moment of silence.

The Akron Beacon Journal reported that changed after councilman Terry Mader was appointed council chaplain in January and began ending his prayer with the phrase, "In Jesus' name, we pray."

Some residents are asking for a general invocation that doesn't single out a particular religion while others are urging the council to keep the chaplain's prayer as is.

The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled prayers before public meetings are constitutional but is currently weighing a challenge involving mainly Christian prayers.

Obituaries

Eloisa G. Hernandez

Eloisa G. Hernandez, 72, of Midland, Texas passed away March 4, 2014. She was born to Solomon Hernandez and Felipea Gomez Alaniz on February 20, 1942.

Eloisa is survived by her daughter Cathy Reyes; a grandson, Jeremiah Joel Reyes; a great granddaughter, Londyn Niamyah Reyes; as well as four siblings. She also leaves behind numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

A graveside service was held on Thursday, March 6, 2014 at Resthaven Memorial Park.

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

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Jerry Loyd Slaughter

Jerry Slaughter, 75, of Midland, Texas passed away on March 5, 2014. He was born on July 16, 1938, to his parents, Altha Jewel Bessant and Ralph Bert Slaughter, in Lometa, Texas. He married Elva Lenora Light on April 8, 1960. Together, they lived most of their married lives in Lamesa, Texas, moving to Midland, Texas in 1995.

Jerry served in the Naval Reserves in 1956 and also served in the United States Army from December 1956 to December 1959, where he was stationed in France. He worked as a supervisor for GTE for over 27 years. He had a passion for hunting and fishing and was an avid golfer. He was a member of the Downtown Church of Christ in Lamesa, Texas, and was born again preceding his death.

He is survived by his four daughters, Vickie Ripley and husband Tony of Maypearl, Texas, Pam Cunningham of Tyler, Texas, Tanya Alexander and husband Gene of Midland, Texas, and Kristi Latimer and husband Larry of Lamesa, Texas; sisters, Betty York of Odessa, Texas, and Wanda Burns and husband Bill of Brady, Texas; brothers, Larry Slaughter and wife Judy of Andrews, Texas, and Steve Slaughter and wife Susan of Belton, Texas; and 12 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents; wife, Elva Light Slaughter; and brothers, Bert and Gary Slaughter.

A visitation will be held from 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 8, 2014, at Ellis Funeral Home in Midland, Texas.

A graveside service will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, March 10, 2014, at Cherokee Cemetery in Cherokee, Texas.

Services are entrusted with Ellis Funeral Home. Online condolences may be offered at www.ellisfunerals.com.

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LaVynda Branch Coit

LaVynda Branch Coit passed from this world on March 4, 2014 at her home in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. LaVynda was born in Abilene, Texas on January 2, 1932, the daughter of Leonard and Edna Branch.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brother Leonard, and her husband Tom Coit of Midland.

She is survived by her sons, Michael, his wife Renae, and Bruce Coit, grandchildren, Kathrine Coit, Lindsey Coit, Taylor Coit, Zachery Coit, and great grandson Landon Coit.

A beachside memorial will be held in Los Animas, Jalisco, Mexico on March 7, 2014.



Travis (Keeta) O'Keith Perkins

Memorial services for Travis (Keeta) O'Keith Perkins, 60, of Midland will be Saturday March 8, 2014, at 11:00a.m. at the Mt. Rose Baptist Church with Rev. William Palmer officiating.

Travis O'Keith Perkins was born January 3, 1954, in Franklin, TX to Lewis Calvin Perkins Sr. and Vivian Morrow Perkins; and is preceded in death by his parents, six brothers and two sisters. He was a graduate of Midland High School class of 1972, and was a veteran of the United States Navy. Travis Perkins died March 2, 2014, in Odessa, TX.

Survivors: wife, Dorothy Perkins; three sisters, Bernice (Sidney) Hawkins of Dallas, TX, Opal Perkins of Midland, TX, and Merrion Brown of Sacramento, CA; three brothers, Bobby Joe Perkins of Sacramento, CA, Jerry Perkins of Midland, TX, and Royce Perkins of Odessa, TX; one son, Sammy Keith Jurado of Midland, TX; and one grandson, Ethan Jurado of Midland, TX; and a host of relatives and friends.

Services are under the direction of Jackie Warren Funeral Home.

Death Notices

"Yahntquese" Whitetree Ward

Vivian Marie "Yahntquese" Whitetree Ward, 69, died Sunday, March 2, 2014. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, March 8, 2014 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel, Big Spring. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park, Big Spring.

Survivors include her husband, Bill; her son, Kerry Norwood; her daughter, Kim Purrington; four grandchildren; and by other family members.

Albert Busby

Albert Norris Busby, 79, passed away on Saturday, March 1, 2014.

Funeral service is set for today at 2:00 p.m. at Lee Street Church of Christ. Interment will follow at Serenity Memorial Gardens.

April Davidson

April Davidson, 39, passed away on Tuesday, March 4, 2014.

The family will receive friends on Friday, March 7, 2014 from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, March 8, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel. Interment will be at Sandy Bear Cemetery in Oklahoma.

April is survived by her son, Jon Vanecek; mother, Linda Crass and father, David Davidson; and by other family members.

Bob "Pap" Cates

Bob "Pap" Cates, 81, passed away March 5, 2014.

He is survived by his wife, Ivon Cates; daughter, Brenda Brown; grandsons; and by other family members.

There are no services at this time.

Carl Windham

Carl Windham, Jr., 86, died Saturday March 1, 2014. Graveside services with Military Honors will be 1:00 p.m. Friday at Texas State Veterans Cemetery in Abilene.

He is survived by one daughter, Annette Holmes; one son, Joel Windham; four grandchildren, four great-grandchildren; and by other family members.

Christine Esther Wertz

Christine Esther Wertz, 56, died Wednesday, March 5, 2014.

She is survived by her husband, Norman Wertz; son, Cody Wertz; daughter, September Whitmire; two grandchildren; and by other family members.

Memorial services will be at the family home at a later date.

Elizabeth Garcia Jimenez

Elizabeth Garcia Jimenez, 72, died Tuesday March 4, 2014. Vigil services will be 7:00 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m. Saturday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

She is survived by her partner of 25 years, Robelio Cabellero; one son, Rosendo Jimenez; four daughters, Sylvia Arguello, Rachel Salvato, Becky Coker, and Jolanda Gonzales; 13 grandchildren and 37 great-grandchildren; and by other family members.

Rickey Lee Williams

Rickey Lee Williams, 57, died Saturday March 1, 2014. Funeral services will be 3:00 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Oak Hill Memorial Park in San Jose, California.

He is survived by three sons, Rickey Williams, Julius Williams, and Anthony Davis; two daughters, Latonya Williams and Allant'e Williams; seven grandchildren; and by other family members.

Ronald Keith Long, Sr.

Ronald Keith Long, Sr. 59, of Big Spring, passed from this life, Monday, March 3, 2014, in a local hospital. A private service was set for the family.

Survivors include his wife, Martha Long; two sons, Ronald Keith Long, Jr. and Richard L. "Quinn" Quillian Long; two grandchildren; his mother, Mary Long; and by other family members.

Questions about death notices or online Guest Books? Email: obits@mrt.com

Sisters instill Franciscan values at Mayo Clinic

By Jeff Hansel
Rochester Post-Bulletin

ROCHESTER, Minn. — As Pope Francis joyously displays his faith, he models Saint Francis, who lived simply, served the vulnerable and considered all beings — including insects — to be his brothers and sisters.

His example has inspired the Franciscan sisters of Rochester to reaffirm their own efforts to live Franciscan values, from tending to bees to helping the poor in various missions.

The sisters have helped build Rochester from the time Mother Alfred Moes convinced Dr. W.W. Mayo that a hospital should be built in Rochester after the devastating 1883 tornado.

Saint Marys opened in 1889 and succeeded so well with surgical survival that the Mayo brothers were soon famous, and Mayo Clinic has become a worldwide medical presence.

It's unlikely Mayo Clinic would have grown in the same fashion were it not for the construction of Saint Marys Hospital.

In the early years, said Sister Jean Keniry, medical staff worked "elbow-to-elbow" with sister-nurses and the sisters openly lived the essence of their Francisan values alongside members of the medical staff.

"I suppose they caught it," Keniry told the Post-Bulletin.

She arrived at Saint Marys in 1955.

"The values were the very center; respect, compassion, healing and integrity were just paramount," she said. They "just flowed right out of the Gospel."

Franciscan values have become so much a part of Mayo Clinic and Rochester, the sisters say, that their own physical presence isn't necessary to maintain them. The sisters no longer directly govern the Saint Marys campus.

"We have to rely on the staff to carry them out now, because we're thinning out," said Saint Marys archivist Sister Lauren Weinandt.

"We've planted seeds, grown something," said Sister Tierney Trueman.

About 140 to 145 pilgrimages have been made by Mayo Clinic leaders to Assisi, Italy, where Saint Francis was born. The pilgrimages were begun by the hospital Sponsorship Board to help Mayo leaders learn about the Franciscan values firsthand.

"As we were moving away from the sisters being closely involved, we were looking for ways to help leadership," Keniry said.

The values, Keniry said, are Mayo Clinic values. They're Franciscan values. And the values of the Mayo and Francisan founders, including Mother Alfred, the Mayo brothers and other doctors and sisters who helped form Saint Marys and Mayo.

So they're ingrained in the community and into Mayo Clinic.

But, Keniry said, "I do think they have to be nurtured."

To that end, there are currently 96 "cojourners" (both men and women) who undergo a two-year preparation to live the Franciscan values, according to Sister Ann Redig.

Historically, "the values were our focus, along with maintaining the Catholic hospital," said Keniry, who served as president of the Saint Marys Hospital Sponsorship Board before the hospital officially became part of Mayo Clinic Hospital, which now includes the campuses of Saint Marys, Rochester Methodist and Mayo Eugenio Litta Children's hospitals.

The Franciscans try to instill values through how they live.

For Keniry, a nurse, "care of the sick has always been a focus." She worked at an AIDS hospice in Chicago during the late 1980s when the HIV epidemic was devastating lives nationwide and effective treatments were not yet available. She worked on the U.S. border, focusing on the public health impact coming to the U.S. had upon immigrants.

Sister Generose Gervais, for example, spent countless hours over the decades cutting cucumbers to make pickles and canning berries to make jams to sell for fundraisers to support the Poverello fund that serves patients unable to pay their own hospital bills (Poverello literally means "little poor man").

Sister Joseen Vogt traveled to serve at a teacher training center in Sierra Leone, West Africa to serve the impoverished.

"That's where I saw poverty in its greatest effect," she said. Schools had "absolutely nothing. No blackboards. No books. Nothing."

Vogt started an English training center in Cambodia and teaches adult literacy at Hawthorne Education Center in Rochester. She even figured out how to teach science to the blind, coming up with ideas spontaneously and using balances to help teach weights and measures.

Pope Francis has encouraged priests and sisters to directly interact with people in need of ministry. The sisters have tried to do that in Rochester, and across the globe.

"Literally and metaphorically, if we are doing the pastoral work, we will 'smell the sheep,'" said Sister Ramona Miller.

Sister Alice Thraen has taken to heart the love Saint Francis had for all creatures.

Thraen tends to honeybee hives at Assisi Heights, which provide honey for Assisi Heights. Hers is an effort to save the honeybee, which has struggled for survival over the past decade.

"We have bee meetings here every month; 60 to 70 beekeepers," Vogt said during a recent conversation at Assisi Heights.

Thraen said Saint Francis asked "ordinary people to become the protectors of humanity, respecting each of God's creatures and the environment in which we live. I have great respect for our bees and what they can do for our environment."

CALENDAR

COMING SOON

MARCH

HOLI CELEBRATION Holika Bonfire Celebrations, March 16 at Hindu Association of West Texas Temple. hawttemple.org

HOLI CELEBRATION Holi colors, noon-1 p.m. March 23 at Hindu Association of West Texas Temple. hawttemple.org

GOLF TOURNAMENT Church Under the Bridge Inaugural Golf Tournament, March 29 at Nueva Vista Golf Course. cutbmidland.org

CLAY SHOOT Furr-Ever Paws & Claws Clay Shoot for Midland Humane Coalition, March 29 at Jake's Clays. jakesclays.com

MUSIC AND ART EVENT Vintage Harmony MOSC fundraiser featuring art of Baron Batch, March 29 at The Petroleum Museum. mosc.org

APRIL

ADDICTION PROGRAM "Pleasure Unwoven ... is Addiction Really a Disease" with Dr. Kevin McCauley, April 1-2 at Palmer Drug Abuse Program. pdap.org

SPEAKER AND CONCERT Emily Edwards and Michael Hilburn, April 4 at First Fridays at First Baptist Church. 683-0644

RACE "Run a K for United Way," April 12 in downtown Midland.

PRAYER GATHERING Awake 7:14 conference, April 13-16 at Midland Center.

CONCERT AND AUCTION Big Boys' Toys featuring Trace Adkins, April 12. Benefiting MARC.

FUNDRAISER Wine, Women and Shoes benefitting Midland Rape Crisis and Children's Advocacy Center, April 22 at Midland Center. winewomenandshoes.com/midland

WALK/RUN Permian Basin Autism SHARE Walk, April 26 at UTPB campus. sharewtx.org

CHURCH MEETING with Daniel A. Mooney, 7 p.m. April 27-May 3 at Manna For Life Ministries in Odessa.

MAY

SPEAKER Kris Swiatocho, May 2 at First Fridays at First Baptist Church. 683-0644

GOLF TOURNAMENT AND DINNER Farm to Fairway Barbecue Dinner and Auction Golf Tournament, May 16 at Hogan Park. Benefits Jubilee Center of Midland. 520-0671

RACE The Color Dash 5K run to benefit The Life Center, May 31 at Scharbauer Sports Complex. midlandlifecenter.org

To include your event on this calendar, email Megan Buck at mbuck@mrt.com.

THIS WEEK

TODAY

CONCERT Holly Tucker, 6:30 p.m. today for First Fridays at First Baptist Church's fellowship hall. 683-0644

SATURDAY

CLASS The Power of Love with American Buddhist nun Kelsang Chondzin, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday at the Unitarian Universalist Church. meditationinlubbock.org

SUNDAY

LENTEN SERIES Meditation and Prayer: Study of Labyrinths, 5-6 p.m. Sunday at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. holytrinity.org

WOMEN'S DAY Annual Women's Day Services with keynote speakers Lillian Porter at 11:30 a.m. and Helen Collins Epps, of Fort Worth, at 3:30 p.m. Sunday at Faith Temple Church of God in Christ. ftc-midland.org

MONDAY

CAMP Camp Fire West Texas Spring Break Camp for ages 5-12, March 10-14 at St. Mark's United Methodist Church. campfirewtx.org

FRIDAY

STATIONS OF THE CROSS, 5:30 every Friday during Lent at St. Nicholas' Episcopal Church. stnicksmt.org

FISH

From 1B

pies and cole slaw. The recipe is a family legacy but the batter has kick to it that gives it a signature flavor.

Open Fridays 11 a.m.-8 p.m. 301 N. Lee St.

Shogun

Consider this Japanese steakhouse somewhat of a splurge, but expect a show. Specializing in Teppenyaki dining or hibachi cooking, meals are prepared fresh. The menu includes wild scallops, shrimp or calamari sautéed in butter and lemon, grilled tuna steak and more. Sushi is also on the menu. All dinners are served with Shogun soup, cucumber salad, sautéed onions, zucchini and mushrooms and steamed rice. Lunch meals are served with the same sans salad. Reservations not required but call-ahead seating is welcome.

Open Fridays 11 a.m.-10 p.m. 4610 N. Garfield St.

Basin Burger House

For now, ignore that hamburger aroma, but the House does come through for the season. The restaurant will offer a fried catfish basket on Lenten Fridays, which includes hushpuppies, homemade coleslaw and house fries. But if you really get tempted by the restaurant's specialty, it does claim to have "the best salmon in town" with an Asian glaze, apple cabbage slaw and ginger vinaigrette on a house bun or it can be ordered sans bread as an entree.

Open Fridays 11 a.m.-11 p.m. 607 N. Colorado St.

Clear Springs

Seafood is not in short supply at Clear Springs. The restaurant specializes in dishes that are both accessible and creative. Go light with the salmon salad of greens, onions, cucumbers topped with spicy onion strings and featuring an 8 oz. grilled salmon. Go a bit more hearty with favorites like the charbroiled mahi seasoned with lemon pepper, firecracker salmon finished with a sweet jalapeno glaze or the fish tacos served fried or grilled with tangy slaw, Cajun ranch dressing and pico.

Open Fridays 11 a.m.-10 p.m. 5707 Andrews Highway.

CHURCH

From 1B

meeting for the past year. The church has recently begun plans to construct its own building on property it owns at the corner of Scharbauer Drive and Golf Course Road.

The new building will be a 2,500-square-foot Byzantine-style chapel. The church is currently raising funds and taking bids for construction contractors. Telschow hopes to have the building finished by mid-summer.

In the meantime, the space at St. Stephen's seems anything but small. It's filled with the holy icons and altar that characterize an Orthodox church.

The Midland church was officially recognized by the Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese in 2009, though members had been informally meeting since 2006. They met at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Odessa before moving to St. Stephen's a year ago. Telschow, who converted to the Orthodox church from the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, started out as a layman, became a deacon and was officially ordained an Orthodox priest a few months ago.

An Orthodox church service is like "stepping back in time," Telschow said. It's characterized by its adherence to the original apostolic traditions, teachings and style of worship.

"We are not just seeing the early church. We are looking back to the Tabernacle in the wilderness with Moses," he said. "We have a lot of people that have come into the Orthodox church mostly because there's a dissatisfaction with modern Christianity and modernism in general. We wanted to find something of authenticity and simplicity."

What sets the Orthodox church apart is that it does not adapt or change with each age, Telschow said. It also does not give allegiance to the Roman Catholic pope.

"The Orthodox church believes that church was delivered in its perfect form in ancient times," he said. "We believe that truth as revealed in ancient time is fixed. We don't believe that we decide the truth."

Services are quite long, beginning at sunset on Saturdays for evening prayer, penance and Confession. The church reconvenes Sunday mornings for morning prayer and the main service, called the Divine Liturgy, which involves incense, chants and the veneration of the holy icons.

The altar screen separates the "holy place," where the congregation is seated, from the "Holy of Holies," the inner sanctuary. Only the priest and acolytes are allowed behind the screen.

"When you come to an Orthodox service, one of the interesting things about it is it's so much less choreographed," Telschow said. "People are free to stand or sing or pray as they are led."

If you come to an Orthodox service in Midland, you'll see a great deal of diversity, Telschow said. The congregation includes families of Russian, Serbian, Romanian, Ethiopian, Eritrean and many other descents. There are about 40 members, many of whom are young families with children.

"It's like the United Nations when we gather to pray, when we gather to meet," Telschow said with a laugh.

RELIGIONBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Studio adds 'explanatory message' to Noah film

WASHINGTON — National Religious Broadcasters President Jerry Johnson is thanking Paramount Pictures for adding what he calls a "disclaimer" to advertising for its movie "Noah," starring Russell Crowe, which debuts in theaters March 28.

At Johnson's request, the studio is advising filmgoers that the movie "is inspired by the story of Noah," and that "artistic license has been taken." But Paramount said it believes that the "film is true to the essence, values and integrity" of the story from the Bible's book of Genesis.

The NRB president, who previewed the film, praises its acting, production values, and faithfulness to the biblical story's main elements of sin, judgment and restoration.

Johnson warns, however, that the flood appears to be punishment for man's destruction of the environment, and that Noah wonders if his own family should be the last.

That said, Johnson thinks "Noah" is better than many of today's films, and he believes Christians can enjoy it, separate fact from fiction and "pass the popcorn."

Noah's ark project to move forward

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — A Christian ministry's long-stalled plans to build Noah's Ark in the hills of Kentucky have been revived.

Creation Museum founder Ken Ham says a municipal bond offering has raised enough money to begin construction on the Ark Encounter project, estimated to cost about $73 million. Groundbreaking is planned for May and the ark is expected to be finished by the summer of 2016.

Ham said a high-profile evolution debate he had with "Science Guy" Bill Nye earlier this month helped boost support for the project.

Nye said he was "heartbroken and sickened for the Commonwealth of Kentucky" after learning that the project would move forward.

The wooden ark is to have old-world details, such as wooden pegs instead of nails, straight-sawed timbers and plenty of animals — some alive, some robotic.

Survey finds pastors believe religious liberty on the decline

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — A survey of American preachers, conducted by Nashville-based LifeWay Research shows growing concern among senior pastors about religious liberty in America.

About seven in 10 senior pastors at Protestant churches said Christians have lost or are losing the culture war. The telephone survey was taken Sept. 4-19, 2013.

According to LifeWay, 70 percent of the pastors agree with the statement, "Religious liberty is on the decline in America." Twenty-seven percent disagree. Eighty-one percent of self-identified evangelical pastors were more likely to agree. Among mainline pastors, 47 percent agreed.

Seventy-nine percent of Evangelical pastors were more likely to say that Christians are losing or have lost the culture war.

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Updated Property Tax Information Now Available for Texas Taxpayers

(Midland, Texas) — New and updated property tax information has just been compiled by (Midland Central Appraisal District) and is available now to assist taxpayers. This property tax information is current and covers a wide range of topics, such as taxpayer remedies, exemptions and appraisals, and is of value to select groups, such as disabled veterans and persons who are age 65 or older.

"Whether you are a homeowner, business owner, disabled veteran or a taxpayer, it's important you know your rights concerning the property tax laws." said Jerry Bundick, Chief Appraiser of the Midland Central Appraisal District. "You can contact us about any property tax issues with full confidence that we will provide you the most complete, accurate and up-to-date available information to assist you." This includes information about the following programs.

• **Property Tax Exemptions for Disabled Veterans** - The law provides partial exemptions for any property owned by veterans who are disabled, spouses and survivors of deceased disabled veterans. This includes homesteads donated to disabled veterans by charitable organizations at no cost to the disabled veterans. The amount of exemption is determined according to percentage of service-connected disability. The law also provides a 100 percent exemption for 100 percent disabled veterans and their surviving spouses, beginning in 2009, and for surviving spouses of U.S. armed service members killed in action.

• **Property Tax Exemptions** – Non-profit organizations that meet statutory requirements may seek property tax exemptions and must apply to their county appraisal district by a specific date. Businesses that receive tax abatements granted by taxing units; ship inventory out of Texas that may be eligible for the "freeport" exemption; store certain goods in transit in warehouses that are moved within 175 days; construct, install or acquire pollution control; own and operate energy storage systems; or store offshore drilling equipment while not in use may also be eligible for statutory exemptions.

• **Rendering Taxable Property** - If a business owns tangible personal property that is used to produce income, the business must file a rendition with its local county appraisal district by a specified date. Personal property includes inventory and equipment used by a business. Owners do not have to render exempt property such as church property or an agriculture producer's equipment used for farming.

• **Appraisal Notices** – If a taxpayer's property value increased in the last year, the Texas taxpayer will receive a notice of appraised value from the appropriate local county appraisal district. The city, county, school districts and other local taxing units will use the appraisal district's value to set property taxes for the coming year.

• **Property Taxpayer Remedies** – This Comptroller publication explains in detail how to protest a property appraisal, what issues the county appraisal review board (ARB) can consider and what to expect during a protest hearing. The publication also discusses the option of taking a taxpayer's case to district court, the State Office of Administrative Hearings or binding arbitration if the taxpayer is dissatisfied with the outcome of the ARB hearing.

• **Homestead Exemptions** – A homestead is generally defined as the home and land used as the owner's principal residence on Jan. 1 of the tax year. A homestead exemption reduces the appraised value of the home and, as a result, lowers property taxes. Applications are submitted to the appropriate local county appraisal district.

• **Productivity Appraisal** – Property owners who use land for timber land production, agricultural purposes or wildlife management can be granted property tax relief on their land. They may apply to their local county appraisal district for an agricultural appraisal which may result in a lower appraisal of the land based on how much the taxpayer produces, versus what the land would sell for in the open market.

• **Residence Homestead Tax Deferral** - Texas homeowners may postpone paying the currently delinquent property taxes due on the appreciating value of their homes by filing a tax deferral affidavit at their local county appraisal district. This tax relief allows homeowners to pay the property taxes on 105 percent of the preceding year's appraised value of their homestead, plus the taxes on any new improvements to the homestead. The remaining taxes are postponed, but not cancelled, with interest accruing at 8 percent per year.

• **Property Tax Deferral for Persons Age 65 or Older or Disabled Homeowners** – Texans who are age 65 or older or disabled, as defined by law, may postpone paying current and delinquent property taxes on their homes by signing a tax deferral affidavit. Once the affidavit is on file, taxes are deferred, but not cancelled, as long as the owner continues to own and live in the home. Interest continues to accrue on unpaid taxes. You may obtain a deferral affidavit at the appraisal district.

• **Notice of Availability of Electronic Communication** – In appraisal districts located in counties with more than 200,000 populations or that have authorized electronic communications, and that have implemented a system that allows such communications, chief appraisers and ARBs may communicate electronically through email or other media with property owners or their designated representatives. Written agreements are required for notices and other documents to be delivered electronically in place of mailing.

• **Protesting Property Appraisal Values** – Property owners who disagree with the appraisal district's appraisal of their property for local taxes or for any other action that adversely affects them may protest their property value to the appraisal district's ARB.

For more information about these programs, contact the Midland Central Appraisal District at 4631 Andrews Hwy., Midland, Texas 79763, (432) 699-4991. Information is also available on the Comptroller's Property Tax Assistance Division's website at www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/proptax/.

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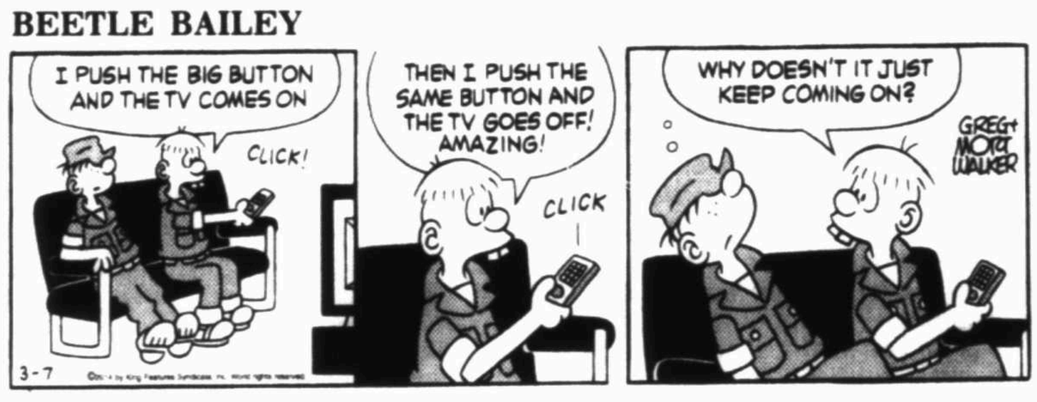
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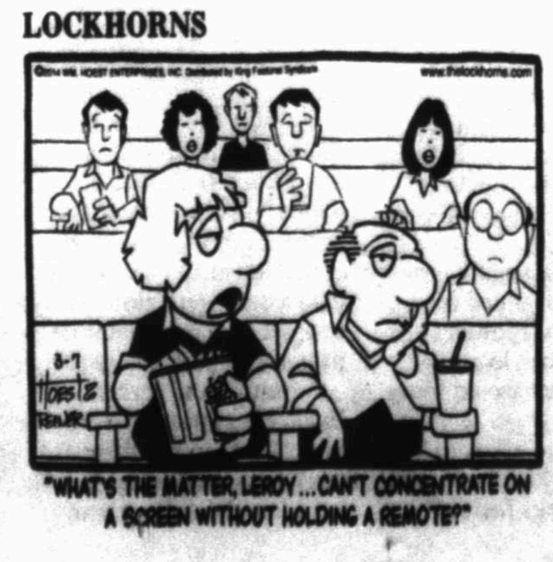
"Uh...while you're down there, be sure to check out the great pool table!"

DENNIS THE MENACE



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FAMILY CIRCUS



"Mommy, are we keepin' you from having a hobby?"

Weatherford overpowers MC at Region V tourney

From staff reports

LUBBOCK — No. 18 Weatherford College's offensive firepower proved to be too much for the Midland College women's basketball team on Thursday.

The Lady Coyotes shot 50 percent from the floor and had a nice inside-outside balance to overwhelm the Lady Chaparrals in a 97-77 victory in an NJCAA Region V Tournament first-round game Thursday at the Rip Griffin Center.

Weatherford moves on to play McLennan Community College

No. 18 Lady Coyotes.....97
Lady Chaparrals.....77

— a 104-100 winner over Odessa College — in a semifinal game at 5 p.m. today.

The Lady Chaps end their season at 18-12.

The Lady Chaps shot 29 percent from the field and had 16 turnovers in the game. They also trailed, 55-25, at the half to the Lady Coyotes (21-3).

"They shot the ball really well and we didn't shoot it very well, we just got out-played, especially in the first half," MC coach Ron



Avery



Veiga

Jones said. "That's kind of the way this team has been. It's been feast or famine. When we turn the ball over, we don't shoot it very well and we struggle. I'm disappointed we went out that way."

Jones said the Lady Coyotes not only shot the ball well for the game but they made more 3-pointers (nine) than the four that they had been averaging this season.

"It's not like we left them open, they just stepped up and hit shots," Jones said. "And when they weren't shooting from the outside, they overpowered us inside."

For Weatherford, Bree Brooks

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Thursday's Scores

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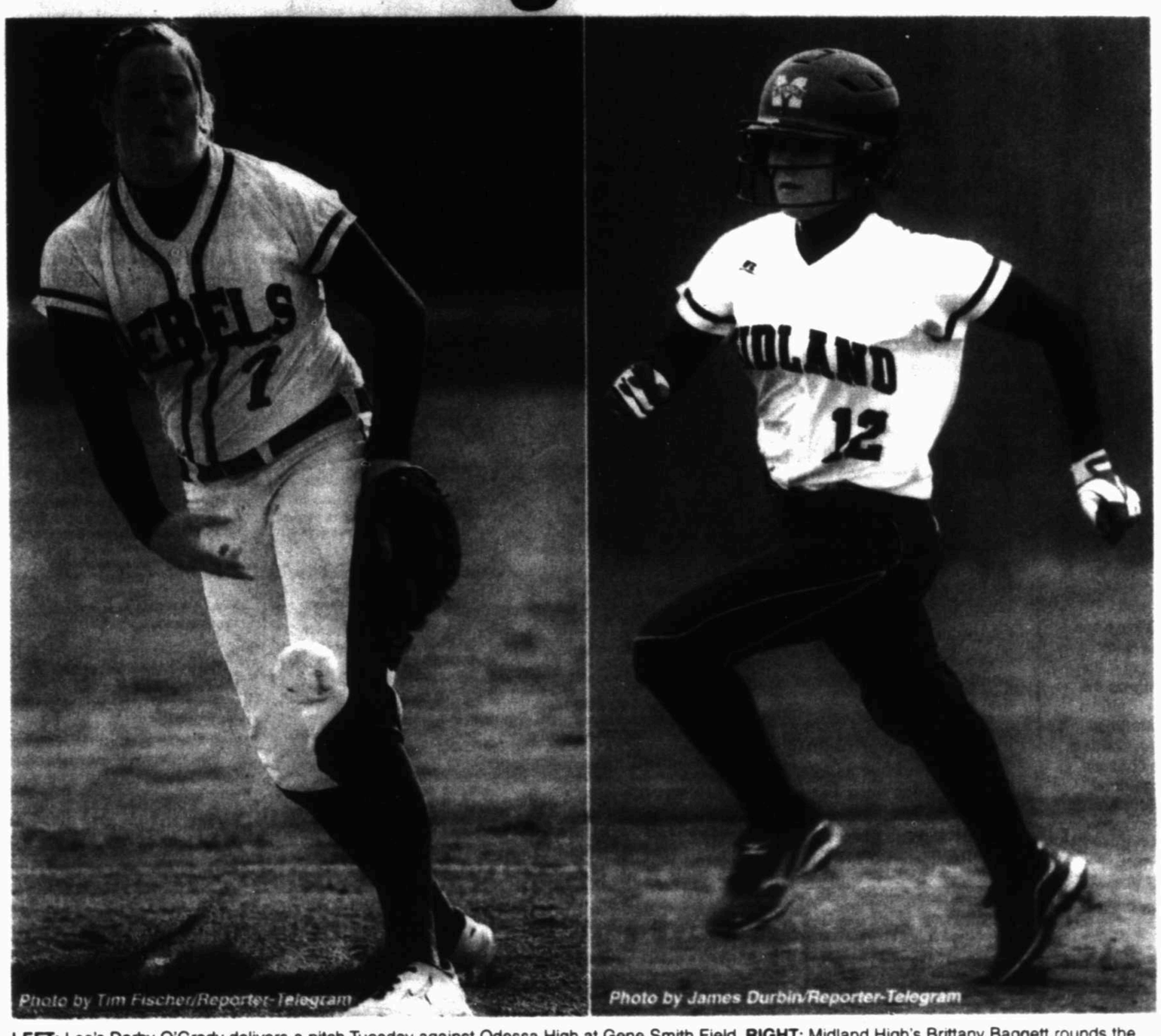


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LEFT: Lee's Darby O'Grady delivers a pitch Tuesday against Odessa High at Gene Smith Field. **RIGHT:** Midland High's Brittany Baggett rounds the bases after hitting a double against Odessa High on Feb. 25 at Audrey Gill Sports Complex.

Lee, MHS face stiff tests before rivalry game

By Len Hayward
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The Lee and Midland High softball teams will meet for the first time on Saturday at the Audrey Gill Sports Complex.

But before the two rivals play, they both have important early season District 2-5A games today that could be key for momentum for both teams on Saturday.

Midland High will take on district-title favorite and No. 2-ranked Lubbock Coronado at 4 p.m. today at the Audrey Gill Sports Complex, and Lee will take on a resurgent San Angelo Central team at 4:30 p.m. today on the road.

It's a pair of tough tests for the Midland ISD teams, which make it a little easier for both teams to focus on the task at hand today and not the rivalry game on Saturday. The two teams will play at 2 p.m.

"It's a tough situation, and I don't think it'd be as much of a big deal if we weren't playing Midland High the next day," Lee coach Wes Overton said. "It's still a big deal, but who we are playing the next day has become even bigger."

The Lady Rebels (8-6, 1-0 in District 2-5A) opened the District 2-5A season on Tuesday with a come-from-behind victory against Odessa High at home. Lee was down to its last out before scoring a

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The Games

NO. 2 LUBBOCK CORONADO AT MIDLAND HIGH

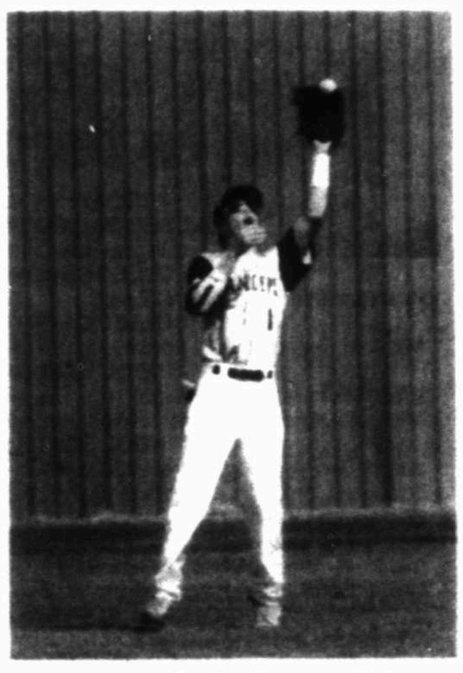
When: 4 p.m. today
Where: Audrey Gill Sports Complex

LEE AT SAN ANGELO CENTRAL

When: 4:30 p.m. today
Where: San Angelo Central High School.

LEE AT MIDLAND HIGH

When: 2 p.m. Saturday
Where: Audrey Gill Sports Complex



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Greenwood's Jordan Holmes makes a catch in the outfield against San Angelo Lake View during the West Texas Classic on Thursday at Greenwood.

Greenwood goes 1-1 in first day of WT March Classic

By Len Hayward
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Greenwood had a feast or famine day during the first day of the West Texas March Classic.

The Rangers began the day with a 9-5 loss to San Angelo Lake View where Greenwood committed some errors, and struggled to come up with key hits. But in the second game, the Rangers (11-3) rebounded with an impressive 11-0 victory against Eunice, N.M.

"It was a lot cleaner the second game, and I don't want to take anything away from Lake View because they swung it and hit the ball, but we didn't play good defense and that led to runs," Greenwood coach Stephen Rodriguez said. "We came back and played good against Eunice, and we had no errors."

The Chiefs jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the first inning, but Greenwood tied it with three in the bottom half of the inning. Victor Urias hit an RBI single, and then the Rangers pushed two more runs across with back-to-back balks by Lake View starter Mario Moreno.

The Chiefs scored four more in the top of the second for a 7-3 lead and held it the rest of the contest. Greenwood scored two in the bottom of the

Please see **CLASSIC**/3C

No birdies, but no back issues for Woods

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

DORAL, Fla. — Tiger Woods only made it through 10 holes Thursday — this time because of the weather, not his back.

The debut of the new Blue Monster, and the return of Woods, received an incomplete grade Thursday when the opening round of the Cadillac Championship was halted more than two hours because of menacing thunderstorms.

Harris English was among only six players who finished the round, hitting 5-iron into the par-3 ninth hole and rolling in a 45-foot birdie putt for a 3-under 69.

The golf course and the world's No. 1 player showed enough.

Woods, who walked off after 13 holes Sunday in the Honda Classic because of lower back pain and spasms, said he warmed up well and felt good during the delay. His golf didn't look all that great. He was 2-over par through 10 holes, ending the day with a wedge that came up some 20 yards short of his target, leading to a three-putt for bogey from about 55 feet.

"I'm ready to go back out tomorrow and play well," he said.

Trump National Doral, completely overhauled by Gil Hanse, showed plenty of bite on a windy, cloudy afternoon. Jason Dufner was going along beautifully for 10 holes until he struggled to find fairways in a crosswind. Brett Rumford began his round by hitting four shots before he put one in play. Three went into the water on the par-5 10th, and he started out with an 11.

"Mr. Trump wanted a very tough test on the Blue Monster, and I think that's what he got," English said.

The course average was at 73.8.

Dufner, Hunter Mahan, Francesco Molinari and Patrick Reed also were at 3 under when the round was suspended by darkness. The 62 players who failed to finish will return Friday morning to complete the round.

Russell Henley, coming off a playoff win last week at the Honda Classic, made only one par in six holes on the back nine — two birdies, three bogeys. He was in the group at 2 under that included Masters champion Adam Scott, who is in the Nos. 1-2-3 group with Woods and Henrik Stenson.

Stenson might have hit the most memorable shot of the day — a cold shank from the middle of the second fairway that sailed at a 45-degree angle into bushes.

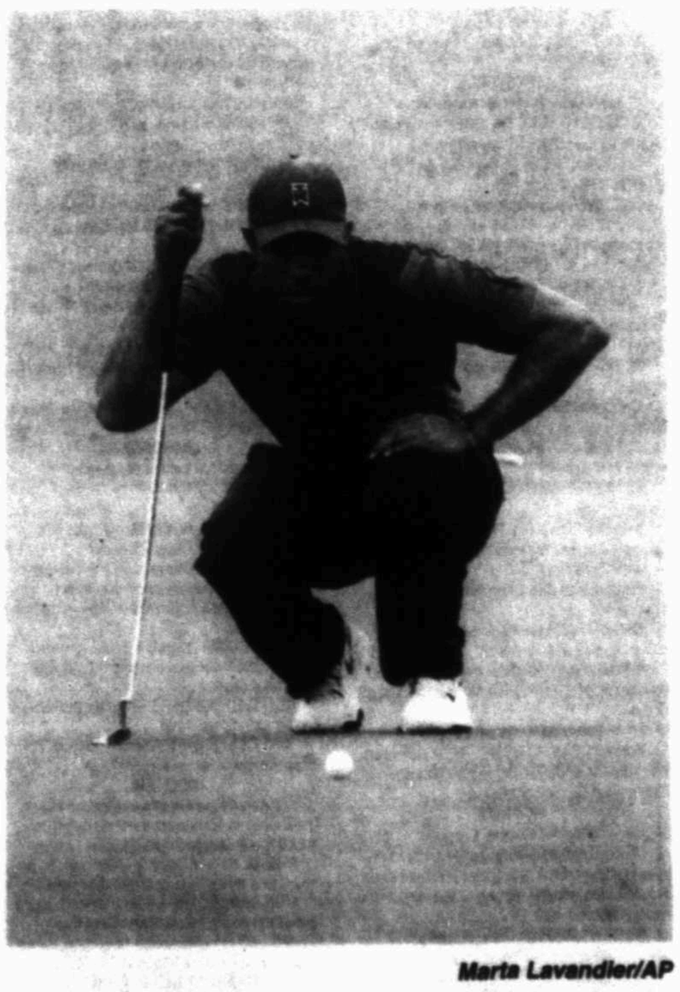
Scott has a chance to replace Woods at No. 1 in the world if he wins this World Golf Championship and Woods finishes worse that fifth.

Rory McIlroy got off to a blazing start with four birdies in five holes, only to end the back nine with back-to-back bogeys with a long three-putt bogey and a tee shot on the 18th that caught the edge of the water and bounded into the hazard.

That might be the most penal aspect of the new Doral. Anything hit toward some of the edges feeds toward the water, and there's a lot of water in play.

Not even English was immune. His tee shot on the 18th found the water, and he still had 4-iron to get to the green. But he bounced back on the par-5 first hole by smashing a tee shot so far with help from the wind and the firm fairways that he had a 7-iron left from 213 yards. He hit that to 12 feet for a two-putt birdie, and he was bogey-free the rest of the way.

Please see **GOLF**/5C



Marta Lavandier/AP

Tiger Woods lines up his shot on the first hole as rain starts to fall during the first round of the Cadillac Championship on Thursday in Doral, Fla.

DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

WHAT'S ON TV

AUTO RACING

NASCAR, Sprint Cup, practice for KOBALT 400, 1 p.m., Fox Sports 1

NASCAR, Nationwide Series, practice for Boyd Gaming 300, 2:30 p.m., Fox Sports 1

NASCAR, Nationwide Series, practice for Boyd Gaming 300, 4 p.m., Fox Sports 1

NASCAR, Sprint Cup, pole qualifying for KOBALT 400, 5:30 p.m., Fox Sports 1

BOXING

Lightweights, Rustam Nugaev (26-6-0) vs. Marvin Quintero (25-4-0), 8 p.m., ESPN2

COLLEGE BASEBALL

New Mexico State at Texas Tech, 6:30 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest

GOLF

PGA Tour-WGC, Cadillac Championship, second round, Noon, TGC

PCA Tour, Puerto Rico Open, second round (same-day tape), 5:30 p.m., TGC

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Kent St. at Akron, 6 p.m., ESPN2

Ohio Valley Conference, semifinal, 6:30 p.m., ESPNU

Harvard at Yale, 6:30 p.m., NBC Sports Network

Ohio Valley Conference, semifinal, 8:30 p.m., ESPNU

NBA

Memphis at Chicago, 6 p.m., ESPN

Indiana at Houston, 8:30 p.m., ESPN

WINTER PARALYMPICS

At Sochi, Russia

Alpine Skiing - Downhill (LIVE), Midnight, NBC Sports Network

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

ACC tournament quarterfinal, 10 a.m., Fox Sports Southwest Plus

SEC tournament quarterfinal, 11 a.m., Fox Sports Southwest

ACC tournament quarterfinal, 1 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest Plus

SEC tournament quarterfinal, 1:30 p.m. Fox Sports Southwest

SEC tournament quarterfinal, 5 p.m. Fox Sports Southwest

SEC tournament quarterfinal, 7:30 p.m. Fox Sports Southwest

WHAT'S ON DECK

TODAY

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Women, Heartland Conference Tournament

JUNIOR COLLEGE BASEBALL

NMJC at Midland College, 2 p.m.

JUNIOR COLLEGE SOFTBALL

Midland College at Clarendon, 1 p.m. (DH)

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

West Texas March Classic

Midland Christian at Lubbock Tournament

HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL

Lee at San Angelo Central, 4:30 p.m.

Lubbock Coronado at Midland High, 4 p.m.

Lamesa at Greenwood, 5 p.m.

Midland Christian at Snyder Tournament

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS GOLF

Lee at San Angelo Boys Classic

COLLEGE SOFTBALL

UTPB at St. Edward's, 3:30 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL TRACK

West Texas Relays

Greenwood at Lamesa Meet

Big Spring Meet

Midland Christian at Bluebonnet Relays

Coahoma Relays

HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS

Midland Christian at Carlsbad, N.M. Tournament

Greenwood at Seminole Tournament

LOCAL SPORTS

MCA TENNIS PLAYERS PLAY WELL IN LEVELLAND

LEVELLAND — A total of four Midland Classical Academy singles players each won draws at the Levelland Invitational on Tuesday.

Midland Classical Academy tennis players Max Sivalls and Will Wineinger each won boys singles draws on Tuesday at the Levelland Invitational.

Sivalls won the orange draw in boys singles, and Wineinger won the green draw in the same division.

In girls singles, Kelsie Kennedy won the orange draw and Paige McAninch won the green draw. Tracy Fu won the orange draw consolation final.

In boys doubles, Marshall McCray and Jonathan Childers combined to win the consolation final in the orange draw.

In girls doubles, Beth Ann Holmes and Cara Cliver won the consolation final in the orange draw in that division.

NHL STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	62	40	17	5	85	195	138
Montreal	65	35	23	7	77	166	162
Toronto	64	33	23	8	74	189	195
Tampa Bay	63	34	24	5	73	180	163
Detroit	62	28	21	13	69	164	172
Ottawa	63	27	25	11	65	177	206
Florida	62	23	32	7	53	152	201
Buffalo	62	19	35	8	46	127	184

Metropolitan Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	61	41	16	4	86	195	150
Philadelphia	63	33	24	6	72	180	184
N.Y. Rangers	63	33	26	4	70	164	160
Columbus	63	32	26	5	69	185	178
Washington	64	29	25	10	68	188	195
New Jersey	63	27	23	13	67	152	156
Carolina	62	27	26	9	63	154	175
N.Y. Islanders	64	24	32	8	56	176	217

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	62	42	14	6	90	206	142
Chicago	64	37	13	14	88	221	171
Colorado	63	41	17	5	87	195	168
Minnesota	62	34	21	7	75	153	150
Dallas	63	30	23	10	70	181	176
Winnipeg	64	30	27	7	67	177	184
Nashville	63	26	27	10	62	152	190

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Anaheim	63	43	14	6	92	205	154
San Jose	63	39	17	7	85	190	154
Los Angeles	64	36	22	6	78	155	135
Phoenix	63	29	23	11	69	175	182
Vancouver	65	28	27	10	66	151	173
Calgary	62	24	31	7	55	145	186
Edmonton	63	21	34	8	50	157	206

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

Thursday's Scores

Boston 3, Washington 0

Los Angeles 3, Winnipeg 1

Buffalo 3, Tampa Bay 1

Colorado 3, Detroit 2, OT

Chicago 6, Columbus 1

St. Louis 2, Nashville 1

Dallas 6, Florida 3

Phoenix 5, Montreal 2

N.Y. Islanders at Edmonton, late

Pittsburgh at San Jose, late

Today's Games

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

New Jersey at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.

Buffalo at Florida, 6:30 p.m.

N.Y. Islanders at Calgary, 8 p.m.

Pittsburgh at Anaheim, 9 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American Association

LINCOLN SALTDOGGS — Signed RHP Mike Dick and INF Kevin Howard.

SIOUX FALLS CANARIES — Signed 1B Chris Duffy and OF Dan Treccia.

Atlantic League

LONG ISLAND DUCKS — Signed RHPs Jared and Josh Lansford.

SUGAR LAND SKEETERS — Agreed to terms with OF Steve Moss, RHP David Pauley and INF/OF Rusty Ryal.

Can-Am League

NEW JERSEY JACKALS — Signed OF Chris Valencia.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

OKLAHOMA CITY THUNDER — Signed F Reggie Williams to a 10-day contract.

SACRAMENTO KINGS — Signed F Royce White to a 10-day contract.

NBA Development League

RIO GRANDE VALLEY VIPERS — Traded G B.J. Young to Delaware for G Bo Spencer.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

ARIZONA CARDINALS — Named Roger Kingdom assistant strength and conditioning coach.

BUFFALO BILLS — Re-signed DB Brandon Smith.

CHICAGO BEARS — Signed DE Trevor Scott to a one-year contract.

CLEVELAND BROWNS — Agreed to terms with K Billy Cundiff.

DENVER BRONCOS — Released CB Champ Bailey.

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Signed LB D'Qwell Jackson. Released C Samson Satele.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS — Signed TE Clay Harbor and OTs Cameron Bradfield and Sam Young.

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS — Released LB Robert James and TE Dominique Jones.

MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Terminated the contract of DT Letroy Guion. Waived WR Greg Childs.

Canadian Football League

WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS — Released WR Mike Sims-Walker. Signed DB Maurice Leggett and DE Stafford Gatling.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

NHL — Reduced disciplinary sanctions imposed on the New Jersey Devils for its conduct in connection with the signing of Ilya Kovalchuk in July, 2010.

DETROIT RED WINGS — Recalled RW Teemu Pulkkinen from Grand Rapids (AHL).

FLORIDA PANTHERS — Assigned LW Steven Anthony to Cincinnati (ECHL).

NASHVILLE PREDATORS — Reassigned F Simon Moser to Milwaukee (AHL).

NEW YORK RANGERS — Reassigned Fs Michael St. Croix and Andrew Yogan from Hartford (AHL) to Greenville (ECHL).

SAN JOSE SHARKS — Signed F Barclay Goodrow.

WASHINGTON CAPITALS — Recalled F Chris Brown and D Cameron Schilling from Hershey (AHL). Reassigned G Philipp Grubauer to Hershey.

American Hockey League

AHL — Suspended Charlotte D Matthew Corrente one game.

GRAND RAPIDS GRIFFINS — Signed F Aiden Hirschfeld to a professional tryout contract.

HAMILTON BULLDOGS — Released DS Jordon Southorn from a professional tryout contract.

SAN ANTONIO RAMPAGE — Recalled F Trevor Lewis from Cincinnati (ECHL).

ECHL

FORT WAYNE KOMETS — Signed D Matthew Masonis.

GWINNETT GLADIATORS — Released G Nick Niedert. Signed F Will MacDonald and G Josh Unice.

IDAHO STEELHEADS — Claimed F Ryan Murphy off waivers from Greenville.

READING ROYALS — Released F Ryan Santana.

Central Hockey League

BRAMPTON BEAST — Signed F Frank Littlejohn.

QUAD CITY MALLARDS — Waived F Chris Greene. Signed F Jordan Mayer.

LACROSSE

National Lacrosse League

COLORADO MAMMOTH — Signed F Jamie Shewchuk.

SOCCER

Major League Soccer

CHIVAS USA — Waived D Fejiro Okiomah. Acquired F Leandro Barrera on loan from Asociacion Atletica Argentinos Juniors (Argentina-First Division).

D.C. UNITED — Signed F Eddie Johnson to a contract extension and elevated his status to designated player.

SEATTLE SOUNDERS — Signed Ms Fabio Pereira and Michael Azira.

VANCOUVER WHITECAPS — Signed D Ethan Sampson.

COLLEGE

IONA — Signed men's basketball coach Tim Cluess to a contract extension through the 2018-19 season.

MISSOURI — Signed football coach Gary Pinkel to a three-year contract extension.

SOUTH CAROLINA — Announced men's basketball coach Frank Martin was suspended one game for harsh language aimed at his players during a loss to Florida.

TENNESSEE — Named Erica Lear women's assistant volleyball coach.

UNLV — Suspended G Bryce Dejean-Jones through the weekend for conduct detrimental to the team.

MCBASEBALL

BY OSCAR LEROY

MIDLAND COLLEGE VS. NEW MEXICO JC

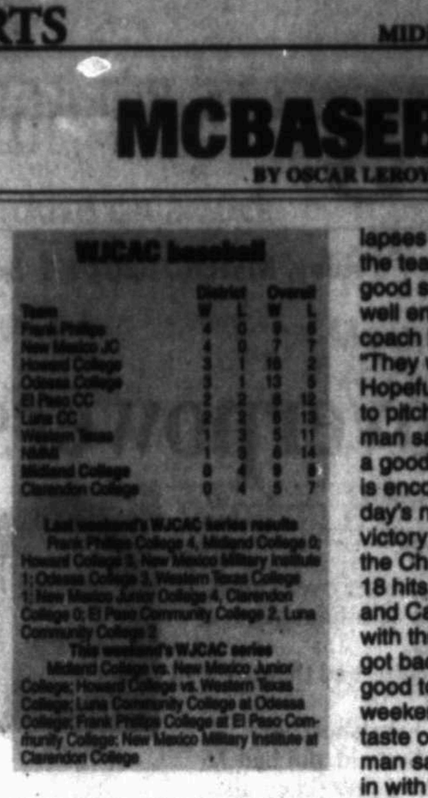
When/where: Doubleheader beginning at 2 p.m. today, Christensen Stadium; doubleheader beginning at 1 p.m. (CST) Saturday, Ray Birmingham Thunderbird Field, Hobbs, N.M.

Records: Midland College 9-8, 0-4 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference; New Mexico Junior College 7-7, 4-0

Last WJCAC series: Frank Phillips College 4, Midland College 0; New Mexico Junior College 4, Clarendon College 0

Notes & quotes: Midland College looks to bounce back from a disappointing weekend in which the Chaparrals were swept by Frank Phillips to begin WJCAC play. The Chaps were hurt by errors and lack of quality at-bats as they were shut out twice by the Plainsmen. MC's pitchers were solid, but at times had to try to overcome defensive lapses behind them. "I told the team that we wasted four good starts and they pitched well enough to get a win," MC coach David Coleman said. "They were really, really good. Hopefully they'll continue to pitch that way." ... Coleman said his team has had a good week of practice and is encouraged by Wednesday's non-conference 13-3 victory at Odessa College as the Chaparrals pounded out 18 hits, led by Josh Narvaiz and Caleb Koedyker, each with three hits. "Our hitters got back on track and it was good to play again after last weekend and get the bad taste out of our mouths," Coleman said. ...NMJC is coming in with some momentum after sweeping Clarendon in their four-game series. The Thunderbirds outscored the Bulldogs, 33-16, in the series. ... Sophomore OF Alexis Torres looks to be the big bat in the Thunderbird lineup as he is batting .348 with a team-leading six home runs and 22 RBI. ... Coleman said the Thunderbirds are a relatively new team from last year, but he knows they're going to be scrappy offensively, much like Frank Phillips was, and they're going to pitch well. ...The Chaps will stick with the same pitching rotation as last week with sophomore right-handers Thomas McIlraith (2-2, 3.05 ERA) and Michael Brosig (2-0, 2.14) starting today, while sophomore right-handers Jayden O'Dell (1-1, 2.84) and Brandon Courville (1-2, 2.87) starting on Saturday.

Next: Western Texas College at Midland College, 6:30 p.m. March 19; NMJC at South Mountain CC, 4 p.m. (CST) March 12



MC's Ramos collects 700th career win

From staff reports

BORGER — The Midland College softball team split their conference-opening doubleheader against Frank Phillips College on Thursday but also reached a milestone for its head coach.

The Lady Chaparrals lost the first game to the Lady Plainsmen, 4-3, but then bounced back to win the second game, 6-2, and give head coach Tommy Ramos his 700th victory.

Ramos said his team had actually been putting a lot of pressure on itself trying to get him that milestone win but was proud that they were able to push through their fatigue and all the emotions to get that victory.

"It's a great mark and a good indication of the kind of players that we've had in the past and the commitment they put into the program," said Ramos, who's in his 15th season of coaching the Lady Chaps. "Every player past and present played a part of this. It's not just one person, it's definitely the girls."

Ramos said his team was a little road weary on Thursday. After MC's bus trip from Georgia was delayed because of weather, the team had to get back on a bus and make the trip to the Panhandle.



Ramos

Ramos said the Lady Chaps looked tired in the first game.

"Offensively we didn't execute well and we made mental mistakes that cost us that first game," he said. "But we pushed through it and had a better effort in the second game. But Frank Phillips played well and didn't make mistakes."

Ramos added his pitchers also threw well and gave his team a chance to win.

Shelby Weissenbach scattered six hits and had five strikeouts in the first game but MC committed three errors behind her.

In the second game, Dominique Lozano Alcocer allowed just two hits and struck out eight.

The Lady Chaps (12-8, 1-1 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference) continue their Panhandle road trip with a doubleheader against Clarendon College at 1 p.m. today.

LADY CHAPS

From 1C

had a game-high 24 points, Toma Zaleckaite had 19 points and 12 rebounds, Jacqueline Chandler added 14 points, Zippy Khasoa had 13 points and Ciara Johnson had 10.

The Lady Chaps were led by Ellyn Avery with 20 points and five assists, Tajanay Veiga with 17 points and Mary Savoy with nine points and 12 rebounds.

WEATHERFORDCOLLEGE 97, MIDLAND COLLEGE 77

Weatherford College (21-3) — Jacqueline Chandler 5-11 1-1 15, Bree Brooks 8-15 5-6 24, Toma Zaleckaite 6-13 7-7 19, Kaylee Brooks 0-0 0-0 0, Ruth Adward 0-0 0-0 0, Ciara Johnson 3-8 4-8 10, Lou Hawkins 0-3 1-2 1, Itiana Taylor 6-7 2-2 15, Zippy Khasoa 5-8 3-3 13. Totals 33-65 22-32 97

Midland College (18-12) — Gabriela Martins 2-3 2-2 8, Tanjanay Veiga 6-14 4-4 17, Mattie Turner 0-0 0-0 0, Tyler Hamilton 0-0 0-0 0, Mary Savoy 3-11 3-6 9, Catherine Kruschke 2-7 4-4 8, Nakisha Salinhut 2-4 0-1 4, Ellyn Avery 7-22 0-0 20, Ashleigh Sparks 1-4 0-0 2, Marrielka Garate 1-4 1-2 3, Diamalises Rivera 3-8 0-2 6. Totals 27-77 14-21 77

Halftime — WC 55, MC 25. 3-point goals — WC 9-20 (Chandler 4-10, B. Brooks 3-4, Taylor 2-2, Johnson 0-1, Hawkins 0-3). MC 9-31 (Avery 6-19, Martins 2-3, Veiga 1-5, Salinhut 0-2, Sparks 0-2). Total fouls — WC 16, MC 22. Fouled out — None. Rebounds — WC 52 (Zaleckaite 12), MC 49 (Savoy 12, Veiga 10). Assists — WC 20 (B. Brooks 6), MC 18 (Avery 5). Turnovers — WC 17, MC 16.

Next: Midland College season is complete. Weatherford College vs. McLennan Community College, 5 p.m. today

NJCAA REGION V MEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
At Rip Griffin Center, Lubbock
Thursday's Scores
First round

Game 1: (W2) New Mexico Junior College 88, (N3) Temple College 58

Game 2: (N3) Hill College 77, (W3) Western Texas College 70

Game 3: (W4) Howard College 98, (N1) McLennan Community College 91

Game 4: (W1) South Plains College 85, (N4) Collin County 73

Today
Semifinals

Game 9: (W2) New Mexico Junior College (25-5) vs. (W4) Howard College (24-7), noon

Game 10: (N3) Hill College (23-8) vs. (W1) South Plains College (27-4), 2 p.m.

Saturday
Championship

Game 13: Semifinal winners, 2:30 p.m.

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Game 8: (W1) New Mexico Junior College 57, (N4) Temple College 52

Today
Semifinals

Game 11: (N3) McLennan Community College (19-11) vs. (N1) Weatherford College (21-3), 5 p.m.

Game 12: (N2) Collin County (25-6) vs. (W1) New Mexico Junior College (23-5), 7 p.m.

Saturday
Championship

Game 14: Semifinal winners 4:30 p.m.

HSBASEBALL/SOFTBALL ROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Baseball

MCS WINS 2 IN LUBBOCK

LUBBOCK — The Midland Christian baseball team won a pair of games against Class 4A opponents on Thursday during the first day of the First Bank Classic.

The Mustangs beat El Paso Chapin, 15-5, in its first game of the day, and then beat Lubbock High, 8-7, in eight innings in the second game. Both games were at Westerner Field.

In the first game, the Mustangs broke open a tight game with three runs in the fourth inning, four in the fifth and sixth innings and three in the seventh. Nolan Schattel, who was 3-for-3 on the day, had a three-run triple in the fifth inning.

Grant Little was 2-for-3 with three RBI, and Morgan Munguia, Elias Aguirre and Jarrod Koym, who was the winning pitcher, each had two hits.

Against Lubbock High, Munguia hit a two-out double to right field that scored McLane Mannix in the top of the eighth inning that eventually was the game-winning run. Schattel, who came on in relief in the seventh inning, threw a scoreless eighth inning for the victory.

Munguia was 2-for-4 with two RBI, and Jarrod Koym was 3-for-3 with three RBI and was a home run short of hitting for the cycle. Elias Aguirre had two hits and two RBI, and Nathan Slater added three hits and Austin Robles two in the victory.

Midland Christian will take on Plainview at 2 p.m. today, and Lubbock Estacado at 4:30 p.m.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 15, EL PASO CHAPIN 5

MCS	100	344	3	**—1515**	0
EP Chapin	010	003	1	**—5**	3 1

Jarrod Koym: Dillon Renz (6) and Nolan Schattel. Mireles: Espinoza (6) and Guerva. W — Koym. L — Mireles. 2B — MCS: Garrett Clark, Grant Little 2, Nathan Slater. 3B — MCS: Nolan Schattel 2. HR — EP Chapin: Perez.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 8, LUBBOCK HIGH 7, 8 INNINGS

MCS	020	500	01	**—8**	12 3
Lubbock High	000	042	10	**—7**	14 3

Korey Raisure, Bradon Tidwell (5), Nathan Slater (6), Nolan Schattel (7) and Schattel. Justin Fender (7), Browning, Preston (8) and C. Browning. W — Schattel (4-0). L — Preston. 2B — MCS: Jarrod Koym, Austin Robles, Morgan Munguia. LHS: York, C. Browning, Davis. 3B — MCS: Jarrod Koym. LHS: York.

Records: Midland Christian 13-7

Next: Midland Christian vs. Plainview, 2 p.m. today, Matador Field, Lubbock

TRINITY WINS 2 IN LAMESA

LAMESA — The Trinity baseball team picked up its first two victories of the season with a 14-5 win over Midland Classical and a 15-6 victory over Lamesa JV in the Lamesa JV Tournament on Thursday.

Against MC, Andrew Garcia got the win on the mound. Offensively, Peyton Harrington was 2-for-3 with a double, triple and an RBI; Will Brown was 2-for-2 with three RBI, and Byron Hoffman was 2-for-3 with a triple and three RBI.

Jacob Webb got the win against Lamesa JV and was 2-for-4 with two triples and an RBI, while Garcia went 4-for-4 with a tri-ple and three RBI.

Trinity (2-9-1) next plays against Lamesa JV at 1 p.m. today in the tournament.

Softball

MCS GOES 2-1 IN SNYDER

SNYDER — The Midland Christian softball team went 2-1 at the Snyder Tournament on Thursday.

The Lady Mustangs (15-9) defeated Seminole, 11-8, lost to Shallowater, 7-2, and bounced back with a win over Eula, 5-2.

MCS had 16 hits, led by Adriana Berzoza's two doubles against Seminole. Caity Beeson got the win in the circle.

Maddy Garcia took the loss against Shallowater, which shut down the Lady Mustangs after they scored two runs in the first inning.

Garcia got the win against Eula as she allowed three hits. Meanwhile, the Lady Mustangs had 13 hits, including two doubles by Bianca Ambrosio.

Midland Christian won't play against until 9:30 a.m. Saturday against an opponent to be named in the tournament.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 11, SEMINOLE 8

MCS	402	5	**—1116**	1	
Seminole	022	4	**—8**	5	1

Caity Beeson and Chelsea Cox; Hollum and Roberts. W — Beeson. L — Hollum. 2B — MCS: Adriana Berzoza 2, Courney Monk, Maddy Garcia, Desiree Gaona.

SHALLOWATER 7, MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 2

Shallowater	001	222	**—7**	6	0
MCS	200	000	**—2**	8	4

Estrada and Weldon; Garcia and Cox. W — Estrada. L: Garcia. HR — Burgett.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 5, EULA 2

MCS	202	010	**—5**	13	0
Eula	010	001	**—2**	3	1

Garcia and Cox; Swaner and Sanders. W — Garcia. 2B — MCS: Bianca Abrosio 2, Beeson. Eula: Swaner.

Record: MCS 15-9

Next game: Midland Christian vs. TBA at Snyder Tournament, 9:30 a.m. Saturday

US hosts Azerbaijan, Turkey, Nigeria in warmups

Associated Press

CHICAGO — The United States will prepare for the World Cup with home exhibition games against Azerbaijan, Turkey and Nigeria.

The U.S. Soccer Federation says the 13th-ranked Americans will host No. 93 Azerbaijan at San Francisco's Candlestick Park on May 27, then play No. 42 Turkey at Red Bull Arena in Harrison, N.J., on June 1. The U.S. faces No. 47 Nigeria at EverBank Field in Jacksonville, Fla., on June 7 before heading to Brazil and the American base camp in Sao Paulo.

Of the three opponents, only Nigeria is headed to the World Cup. The U.S. played Turkey four years ago in its final home game before going to South Africa.

One more game at Candlestick will be a nice surprise for many Bay Area fans with mixed emotions about the fare-well of the aging stadium, which opened in 1960.

This will be the final scheduled game at the iconic former home of baseball's San Francisco Giants and NFL's San Francisco 49ers, who played their final year in the venue last season before moving into $1.2 billion Levi's Stadium. The Giants left for their downtown waterfront ballpark in 2000.

The Americans have the longest first-round travel schedule of the 32 nations. They open against Ghana on June 16 at Recife, face Cristiano Ronaldo's Portugal six days later in the Amazon rain forest city of Manaus and close the group stage against Germany on June 26 at Recife. They will return to Sao Paulo between games.



West Texas Relays highlight busy weekend

From staff reports

The annual West Texas Relays at Ratliff Stadium in Odessa will highlight a busy weekend for track in the Permian Basin.

The West Texas Relays is one of three meets going on Friday and Saturday in the area.

The West Texas Relays will run two separate meets on Friday and Saturday. Friday's meet will feature Division II, which is a number of smaller schools from the area. Field events will start at noon and running events at 3:30 p.m.

Saturday's meet will feature the Class 5A schools as both Midland High and Lee will compete against Cedar Hill, Carlsbad, N.M., Hobbs, N.M., Odessa High and Odessa Permian.

Field events will start at 10 a.m., and running events will start at 2:30 p.m.

West Texas Relays
Today's Schedule
Division II

Boys: Lubbock Estacado, Levelland, Pecos, Sierra Blanca, Seminole, Slaton, Wall, Dell City, Trinity

Girls: Levelland, Pecos, Sierra Blanca, Seminole, Slaton, Hamlin, Wall, Dell City, Trinity

Field Events

Noon — Long jump (North Pit), Triple jump (South Pit), High Jump, Pole Vault, Discus, Shot Put

Running Events

Note: All running events will be run as a final
12:30 p.m. — 3,200-meter run
3:30 p.m. — Running events on a rolling schedule

400-meter relay
800-meter relay
100-meter hurdles
110-meter hurdles
100-meter dash
100-meter wheelchair
800-meter relay
400-meter dash
400-meter wheelchair
300-meter intermediate hurdles
200-meter dash
1,600-meter run
1,600-meter relay

Saturday's Schedule
Division I

Boys: Cedar Hill, Carlsbad, N.M., Hobbs, N.M., Midland High, Odessa High, Odessa Permian, Lee

Girls: Cedar Hill, Carlsbad, N.M., Hobbs, N.M., Ozona, Midland High, Odessa High, Odessa Permian, Lee

Field Events

10 a.m. — Long jump (North Pit), Triple jump (South pit), High Jump, Pole Vault, Discus, Shot Put

Running Events

10:30 a.m. — 3,200-meter run
2:15 p.m. — Opening Ceremonies
2:30 p.m. — Running events on rolling schedule

400-meter relay
800-meter run
100-meter hurdles
110-meter hurdles
100-meter dash
600-meter relay
400-meter dash
300-meter intermediate hurdles
200-meter dash
1,600-meter run
1,600-meter relay

Other Meets This Weekend

Bulldog Relays, Today, Bulldog Stadium, Coahoma

Teams competing: Post, Stanton, Colorado City, Lubbock Trinity, Coachom

Bluebonnet Relays, Today-Saturday, Brownwood

Big Spring Invitational, Today, Memorial Stadium, Big Spring

HSSOFTBALL

BY LEN HAYWARD

TODAY'S GAMES

LEE AT SAN ANGELO CENTRAL

When/where: 4:30 p.m. today, San Angelo Central HS

Records: Lee 8-6, 1-0 in District 2-5A; San Angelo Central 6-2, 2-0

Last district game: Lee 3, Odessa High 2, 9 innings. San Angelo Central 15, Abilene Cooper 0, 5 innings

Next: Lee at Midland High, 2 p.m. Saturday; San Angelo Central at Amarillo Tascosa, Noon Saturday

NO. 2 LUB. CORONADO AT MIDLAND HIGH

When/where: 4 p.m. today, Audrey Gill Sports Complex

Records: Midland High 8-4, 1-1 in District 2-5A; Lubbock Coronado 15-2, 2-0

Last district game: Odessa Permian 5, Midland High 2; Lubbock Coronado 11, Abilene High 0, 5 innings

Next: Lee at Midland High, 2 p.m. Saturday; Odessa High at Lubbock Coronado, 6:30 p.m. March 11

District 2-5A Standings
SOFTBALL

	District		Overall	
Team	W	L	W	L
Lubbock Coronado	2	0	15	2
Odessa Permian	2	0	10	3
San Angelo Central	2	0	8	2
Lee	1	0	8	6
Midland High	1	1	8	4
Amarillo Tascosa	0	1	9	8
Odessa High	0	2	7	2
Abilene High	0	2	5	7
Abilene Cooper	0	2	4	7

Tuesday's Scores

San Angelo Central 15, Abilene Cooper 0, 5 innings
Lee 3, Odessa High 2, 9 innings
Odessa Permian 5, Midland High 2
Lubbock Coronado 11, Abilene High 0, 5 innings

Today's Games

Lubbock Coronado at Midland High, 4 p.m.
Abilene Cooper at Amarillo Tascosa, 4 p.m.
Lee at San Angelo Central, 4:30 p.m.
Odessa High vs. Odessa Permian, 7 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Lee at Midland High, 2 p.m.
Odessa Permian at Abilene High, 2 p.m.
Odessa High at Abilene Cooper, 2 p.m.
San Angelo Central at Amarillo Tascosa, Noon

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second, but weren't able to muster any more runs the rest of the game.

"We had some guys on and didn't put them across, and we've got to do that early," Rodriguez said. "My big thing, and as I told the guys, we've got to win every inning. We fell behind and didn't win every inning."

Greenwood is now 1-1 in Pool A after the win against Eunice, N.M., later on Thursday afternoon, and will take on Forsan at 11 a.m. today at Security Bank Ballpark.

San Angelo Lake View is 2-0 in Pool A after a 10-1 victory against Forsan to start the tournament.

District 4-3A rivals Sweetwater and Monahans are both 2-0 in Pool B and the two squads will play at 1:30 p.m. today at Security Bank Ballpark.

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2014 West Texas March Classic
Today-Saturday

Pool A: Greenwood, Forsan, Eunice, N.M. San Angelo Lake View
Pool B: Monahans, Pampa, Seminole, Sweetwater

Thursday's Scores
Greenwood High School

San Angelo Lake View 10, Forsan 1
San Angelo Lake View 9, Greenwood 5
Forsan 12, Eunice, N.M. 10
Greenwood 11, Eunice, N.M. 0
Sweetwater 5, Pampa 0

Zachary Field

Sweetwater 9, Seminole 6
Monahans 5, Seminole 4
Monahans 9, Pampa 6

Today's Games
Security Bank Ballpark

11 a.m. — Greenwood vs. Forsan
1:30 p.m. — Sweetwater vs. Monahans
4 p.m. — San Angelo Lake View vs. Eunice, N.M.

Greenwood High School

9:30 a.m. — Seminole vs. Pampa

Saturday's Games
Greenwood High School

11:15 a.m. — Pool A No. 4 vs. Pool B No. 4

Security Bank Ballpark

2 p.m. — Pool A No. 3 vs. Pool B No. 3
4:30 p.m. — Pool A No. 2 vs. Pool B No. 2
7 p.m. — Pool A No. 1 vs. Pool B No. 2

Tournament Standings
After Thursday's Games
Pool A

Team	W	L
San Angelo Lake View	2	0
Forsan	1	1
Greenwood	1	1
Eunice, N.M.	0	2

Pool B

Team	W	L
Monahans	2	0
Sweetwater	2	0
Pampa	0	2
Seminole	0	2

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run in the bottom of the seventh to tie it and then win it in the ninth with a run.

"That was unbelievable the way we came back and didn't give up," Overton said. "We were down to our last strike."

Even after the win, though, Overton said he's still unsure on who will start in the circle for today's game against a Central team (6-2 overall) that has started District 2-5A play at 2-0 with wins against Abilene High and Abilene Cooper.

"Central has gotten a lot better," Overton said. "The coach they got last year has done some good things with them, and they are playing with a lot more confidence than they have been in the last few years."

Midland High (8-4, 1-1) is looking to rebound after a frustrating loss to Odessa Permian on Tuesday. The Lady Bulldogs scored two runs in the first inning, but then didn't score again and Lady Panthers pitcher Elizabeth Craig retired 15 straight batters to end the game.

"We came out and we had the momentum on our side, and we started off really well," said senior pitcher Stefani Baeza. "But once they scored we didn't work hard. We basically shut down."

Baeza said that the Lady Bulldogs are ready for the challenge over the next two days, and said playing at home for both games will help.

"It doesn't make us so tired so we will come out ready to play," Baeza said. "They are both hard teams. Lee has always been our rival, and it's always been a close game. Coronado is definitely a hard game."

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BOYSSTATEBASKETBALLROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

CLASS 4A
AMARILLO 60
SCHERTZ CLEMENS 46

AUSTIN — Braden Eggleston had 20 points and 10 rebounds and Amarillo jumped out to a big lead and held on late the fourth quarter for a 60-46 win over Schertz Clemens in the Class 4A semifinals Thursday night.

Amarillo led by 24 in the third quarter, only to see Schertz Clemens rally with a 20-5 run to cut the deficit under 10 in the fourth before fading in the final minutes.

John Hood added 15 points for Amarillo (28-5), which advanced to the championship in its first state tournament since 1986. Amarillo won its only state title that year, beating Dallas Kimball, which will be Saturday's opponent in the title game.

Sam Kearns scored 13 and Cayne Edwards scored 11 for Schertz Clemens (33-5).

DALLAS KIMBALL 60
BEAUMONT CENTRAL 56

AUSTIN — Jawun Evans scored 23 points and D'Angelo Allen blocked a potential game-tying shot with 20 seconds left Thursday night to send Dallas Kimball back into the Class 4A final with a 60-56 win over Beaumont Central.

Allen's block on a shot by Central's Michael Jacquet was Allen's fifth of the game, and led to Xavier Johnson's layup with 11 seconds to play for the final points.

Evans scored 21 in the first half. Allen and Dondre Carter each scored 11 for Kimball (24-7), which advanced to its fourth consecutive state final. Kimball won championships in 2010 and 2011.

Nigal Pearson scored 23 for Beaumont Central (31-5), which missed three shots to tie in the final 2:45, including a blown layup on a 3-on-1 breakaway.

CLASS 3A
DALLAS MADISON 77
SA SAM HOUSTON 62

AUSTIN — Admon Gilder had 29 points and 10 rebounds and defending champion Dallas Madison cruised back into the Class 3A final with a77-62 win over San Antonio Sam Houston on Thursday.

Johnathan Turner added 23 points and 10 rebounds for Madison, which had rolled through its five previous playoff games by an average of 28 points. Cameron Bryant also scored 19 for Madison (29-3).

Jordon Harris scored 29 for Sam Houston (27-10) and made five 3-pointers.

Sam Houston had rallied to within seven in the fourth quarter before Madison reeled off a 10-4 run that put the game out of reach.

Madison advances to its fourth state final since 2009. Madison won the 3A championship in 2009 and 2013 and lost in the 2010 title game.

HOUSTON YATES 86
KENNEDALE 79

AUSTIN — Damion Lewis scored 22 points and Jacob Young made five 3-pointers as Houston Yates held off Kennedale 86-69 Thursday in the Class 3A semifinals.

Kennedale had cut Yates' lead to 78-76 before Davion Houston made a 3-pointer with 1:03 to play. Yates then made five of six free throws over the final 17 seconds.

J.C. Washington had 19 points and 17 rebounds for Yates (24-8), which is seeking its third state title in six years. Yates won the 4A championship in 2009 and 2010.

Lewis was 5 of 22 shooting from the field but was 11 of 12 on free throws in a frenetic game that saw the team combine for 146 shots and 49 turnovers.

Ty Charles had 21 points and 17 rebounds for Kennedale (38-1).

CLASS A DIVISION I
MUMFORD 5
SMYER 48

AUSTIN — LaKendric Hyson scored 25 points to lead high-scoring Mumford past Smyer 59-48 in a Class 1A Division 1 boys state semifinal playoff game Thursday.

Mumford entered the contest averaging more than 80 points a game in the playoffs but trailed 25-19 at the half as Smyer slowed the pace.

Mumford (38-1) came out in the second half playing man-to-man defense that resulted in nine steals. The Mustangs for the game forced 16 turnovers and had a 40-21 second-half scoring advantage.

Dion Mack scored 15 points for the Mustangs while teammate Aubrie King netted nine.

Brennan Fowler led Smyer (29-6) with 14 points while Luke Vedder scored 12 points.

Mumford will play Muenster, a 65-64 winner over Grapeland in the other semifinal, in the championship game Saturday.

MUENSTER 65
GRAPELAND 64

AUSTIN — Freshman Lyndon Cook grabbed 26 rebounds and scored 20 points as Muenster defeated Grapeland 65-64 in UIL Class 1A Division 1 boys state semifinal playoff action Thursday.

The 6-foot-5 Cook had 15 rebounds as the Hornets built a 36-32 halftime lead. Muenster (28-2) outrebounded Grapeland 51-30. Muenster extended its lead to 10 points at the start of the fourth quarter before the Sandies staged a rally led by Pat Walker, who scored 37 points.

Grapeland (33-5) pulled within 64-61 in the waning seconds before Cook hit a late free throw. Walker followed with a three-pointer at the buzzer to account for the final margin.

Cole Walterscheid added 18 points for Muenster while teammate Trevor Cheaney had 14 points.

Demetri Walker netted 10 points and had six rebounds for the Sandies.

UIL BOYS STATE TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

UIL BOYS STATE TOURNAMENT
Frank Erwin Center
Austin

Thursday's Semifinals
Class A Division I

8:30 a.m. — Muenster 65, Grapevine 64
10 a.m. — Mumford 59, Smyer 48

Class 3A

1:30 p.m. — Dallas Madison 77, San Antonio Houston 62
3 p.m. — Houston Yates 86, Kennedale 79

Class 4A

7 p.m. — Dallas Kimball 60, Beaumont Central 56
8:30 p.m. — Amarillo 60, Schertz Clemens 46

Today's Semifinals
Class 2A

8:30 a.m. — Aransas Pass (33-7) vs. Ponder (30-7)
10 a.m. — Tatum (34-4) vs. Bushland (27-8)

Class A Division II

1:30 p.m. — Water Valley (27-5) vs. Nazareth (24-12)
7 p.m. — Lanesville (32-6) vs. Cumby Miller Grove (27-9)

Class 5A

3 p.m. — Galena Park North Shore (33-3) vs. DeSoto (31-3)
8:30 p.m. — Converse Judson (36-1) vs. Allen (27-8)

Saturday's Finals

8:30 a.m. — Class A Division I: Muenster (28-2) vs. Mumford (38-1)
10 a.m. — Class 3A: Dallas Madison (28-3) vs. Houston Yates (24-8)
1:30 p.m. — Class 2A
3 p.m. — Class 4A: Dallas Kimball (24-7) vs. Amarillo High (28-5)
7 p.m. — Class A Division II
8:30 p.m. — Class 5A

Lee's Williams wins singles flight in San Angelo

From staff reports

SAN ANGELO — Lee senior Hope Williams won the girls singles first flight at the Central Slam on Thursday at Bentwood Country Club.

Williams, who was the tournament's second seed, beat Abilene High Kyle Byer, 6-0, 6-2, and then beat San Angelo Central's Allie Rike, 6-2, 6-4 in the semifinals.

In the final, Williams rallied from a first set loss to beat Central's Julie Swets, 5-7, 6-2, 6-4.

The Midland High mixed doubles team of Chase Van Cleave and Adriana Garcia won the second flight for mixed doubles at Glenn Middle School. The Bulldog pair beat teams from Abilene High, Odessa High and Abilene Cooper in a three-set final.

SPRINGTRAINING

FROM WIRE REPORTS

TEXAS ROUNDUP

RANGERS 8
PADRES 4

PEORIA, Ariz. — Prince Fielder kept up his hot spring training start by lining an RBI single in a two-run first inning and then doubling in the Texas Rangers' 8-4 victory over the San Diego Padres on Thursday.

METS-ASTROS
RAINED OUT

KISSIMMEE, Fla. — The exhibition game between the New York Mets and the Houston Astros scheduled for Thursday was rained out.

STANDINGS

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
Cleveland	7	1	.875
Tampa Bay	4	1	.800
Seattle	1	2	.778
Kansas City	5	2	.714
Baltimore	4	2	.667
Detroit	5	3	.625
Oakland	5	3	.625
Minnesota	4	3	.571
New York	5	4	.556
Houston	3	3	.500
Los Angeles	3	3	.500
Toronto	4	4	.500
Chicago	2	4	.333
Texas	2	5	.286
Boston	1	5	.167

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
Pittsburgh	6	1	.857
Miami	5	2	.714
San Francisco	5	3	.625
Washington	4	3	.571
Milwaukee	5	4	.556
Arizona	5	5	.500
Los Angeles	3	4	.429
St. Louis	2	3	.400
Cincinnati	3	6	.333
Colorado	3	6	.333
Chicago	2	5	.286
New York	2	5	.286
Atlanta	2	6	.250
San Diego	2	6	.250
Philadelphia	1	7	.125

NOTE: Split-squad games count in the standings; games against non-major league teams do not.

Thursday's Scores

N.Y. Mets vs. Houston at Kissimmee, Fla., ccd., Rain
St. Louis vs. Minnesota at Fort Myers, Fla., ccd., Rain
Miami 0, Boston 0, tie, 8 innings
Toronto vs. Pittsburgh at Bradenton, Fla., ccd., Rain
Philadelphia (ss) vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla., ccd., Rain
Tampa Bay vs. Baltimore at Sarasota, Fla., ccd., Rain
N.Y. Yankees 4, Philadelphia (ss) 3
Seattle 7, Chicago White Sox (ss) 4
San Francisco 3, Cincinnati 2
Milwaukee 5, Colorado 3
Texas 8, San Diego 4
Kansas City 6, Chicago White Sox (ss) 4, tie
Cleveland 1, Chicago Cubs 0
L.A. Angels 4, L.A. Dodgers 4, tie, 10 innings
Arizona 8, Oakland 8, tie, 10 innings
Atlanta 3, Washington 2

Today's Games

Philadelphia vs. Baltimore at Sarasota, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Minnesota vs. Pittsburgh at Bradenton, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Atlanta vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Miami vs. St. Louis (ss) at Jupiter, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Houston vs. Washington at Viera, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay vs. Toronto at Dunedin, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
St. Louis (ss) vs. N.Y. Mets at Port St. Lucie, Fla., 12:10 p.m.
Chicago White Sox vs. Cincinnati (ss) at Goodyear, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (ss) vs. L.A. Angels (ss) at Tempe, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
Texas vs. L.A. Dodgers at Glendale, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
San Francisco vs. Kansas City at Surprise, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (ss) vs. Seattle at Peoria, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
Arizona vs. Oakland at Phoenix, 3:05 p.m.
San Diego vs. Milwaukee at Phoenix, 2:05 p.m.
Cleveland vs. Chicago Cubs (ss) at Mesa, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels (ss) vs. Colorado at Scottsdale, Ariz., 2:10 p.m.
Detroit vs. N.Y. Yankees at Tampa, Fla., 6:05 p.m.

THURSDAY'S TEXAS SUMS
RANGERS 8, PADRES 4
At Peoria, Ariz.

Texas	200	005	000	8	10	1
San Diego	010	003	000	4	10	1

Ogando, Contreras (4), Soria (7), Feliz (8), Burns (9) and Arencibia; Chirinos, Kennedy, J.Hahn (4), Benoit (5), A.Torres (6), D.O'Grady (8), Stauffer (7), Boyer (8), A.Carter (9) and R.Gale. Rivera. W—Ogando. L—Kennedy. HRs—Texas, Profar (1). San Diego, Medica (2)

Witness: Pistorius prayed over his shot girlfriend

By Christopher Torchia and Gerald Imray
Associated Press

PRETORIA, South Africa — As the girlfriend he shot in the head lay dead or dying in his home, a weeping, praying Oscar Pistorius knelt at her side and struggled in vain to help her breathe by holding two fingers in her clenched mouth, a witness testified Thursday at the double-amputee runner's murder trial.

"I shot her. I thought she was a burglar. I shot her," radiologist Johan Stipp, a neighbor, recalled Pistorius saying. The worried neighbor had entered Pistorius' home after hearing screams. By that time, the celebrated athlete had carried Reeva Steenkamp's bloodied body downstairs following the fatal nighttime shooting in his bathroom.

A few minutes after he arrived, Stipp said, Pistorius went back upstairs — the area where he had shot the 29-year-old model — and returned. At that point, Stipp said he was concerned that the gun used in the shooting had not been recovered and that a distraught Pistorius was going to harm himself. The testimony did not address what Pistorius did when he went upstairs.

Stipp's account in a Pretoria court was the first detailed, public description of the immediate aftermath of the shooting in the predawn hours of Feb. 14 last year. Pistorius is charged with premeditated murder after shooting Steenkamp three times out of four shots through the toilet door, with prosecutors trying to build a case that the Olympian intentionally killed Steenkamp after a loud argument.

At his bail hearing last year, Pistorius said in a statement read by his lawyer that after he realized he had shot Steenkamp, thinking mistakenly that she was an intruder, he pulled on his prosthetic legs and tried to kick down the toilet door. He said he finally gave up and bashed the door in with a cricket bat. Inside, he said he found Steenkamp, slumped over but still alive. He said he lifted her body and carried her downstairs to seek medical help.

On Thursday, as Stipp recalled the sometimes grisly details through questioning by the prosecutor, Pistorius bent forward on the wooden court bench and put his hand over his face. Clutching what appeared to be black rosary beads, Pistorius then moved his hands to cover both ears as Stipp described the scene at the athlete's villa sometime after 3 a.m.

Pistorius stayed that way for a while in the courtroom, even when one of his lawyers reached back and touched him on the head in an apparent gesture of reassurance.

"Oscar was crying all the time," Stipp continued. "He was praying to God, 'Please let her live.'"

"Oscar said he would dedicate "his life and her life to God" if she would live, Stipp said.

The chief defense lawyer, Barry Roux, asked Stipp if he thought Pistorius' emotions as the runner knelt next to Steenkamp were genuine. Stipp said he thought they were.

"He looked sincere to me," Stipp said of observing Pistorius minutes after he'd fatally shot his girlfriend. "He was crying. There were tears on his face."

Prosecutors contend that a person who has just killed someone might immediately feel remorse.

Stipp, whose house is behind Pistorius', said he had initially been woken by what he described as a woman's screams. After calling private security at the gated community, he said he decided he should go and try to help.

When he arrived at Pistorius' home, he saw that two other responders were already there — a man standing outside and a woman near the front door as he walked in. He said he rushed right past them and went inside to see if he could be of assistance.

"At the bottom of the stairs ... there was a lady lying on her back on the floor," Stipp said of his first observations.

"I went near her and as I bent down, I also noticed a man on the left kneeling by her side. He had his left hand on her right groin, and his right hand, the second and third fingers in her mouth."

"It was obvious that she was mortally wounded," Stipp said. "She had no pulse in the neck, she had no peripheral pulse. She had no breathing movements that she made."

As a radiologist, Stipp is a medical doctor with years of study, and he said he used his expertise to try to save the woman — even though he was fairly sure his efforts would be in vain. He noticed a wound in the woman's right thigh, in her upper arm and in the right side of the head, and there was brain tissue around the skull.

West Virginia, Baylor women top Big 12 tourney

By Cliff Brunt
Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY — It took West Virginia two years to make a splash in the Big 12.

The seventh-ranked Mountaineers earned a share of the regular-season title in their second year in the league and take a 10-game win streak into the conference tournament that starts today at Chesapeake Energy Arena.

Seniors Asya Bussie, Christal Caldwell, Brooke Hampton, Jess Harlee and Taylor Palmer will be remembered for winning the title and the most regular-season games in school history.

"To win the Big 12 in the second year is great, and with this group," Big 12 coach of the year Mike Carey said. "A lot of times, you have seniors and you say the right things about your seniors because people are going to write it down. I really mean what I say about these seniors this time. They're just great people. They deserve this. They worked hard through the summers and all that, and that makes it all worthwhile."

West Virginia (27-3), the No. 2 seed, will play Friday's TCU-Texas Tech winner Saturday.

Ninth-ranked Baylor (26-4), which earned a share of the title and the top seed in the tournament, will play today's Kansas-Kansas State winner Saturday in the quarterfinals. Sims, the Big 12 player of the year, takes a 29.6 scoring average into the tournament. Nina Davis, a freshman forward, was also named to the all-conference first team. The Bears earned their share of the title with a win over Iowa State on Tuesday night.

Saturday's action opens when No. 4 seed Oklahoma State plays No. 5 Iowa State. The Cowgirls started the season 12-0 but have lost six of seven. Iowa State won its first 14 games this season but finished 9-9 in league play.

Texas and Oklahoma play in Saturday's night-cap. Oklahoma, the preseason favorite in the Big 12, is seeded sixth. Guard Aaryn Ellenberg was knocked out of the Oklahoma State game with a concussion, but has returned to average 24.3 points in her past three games. No. 3 seed Texas allows opponents to shoot just 34 percent.

West Virginia beat Baylor and national scoring leader Odyssey Sims 71-69 on Sunday in Waco to move into position to win the title. The Mountaineers then topped Kansas on Tuesday to earn their share of the championship.

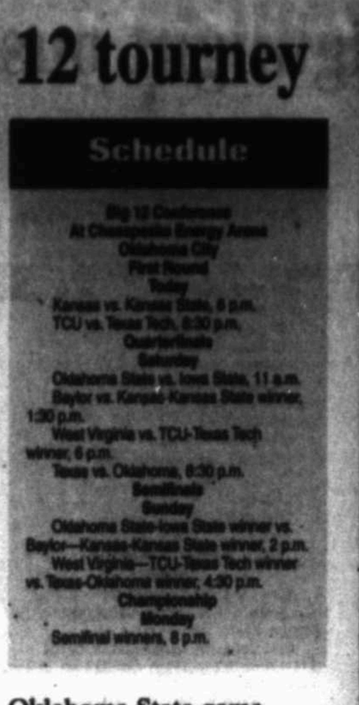
"I'm very proud of the girls," Carey said after the game. "This was a tough game coming off that one day prep and not a lot of rest."

Bussie is West Virginia's anchor. She was an All-Big 12 first-team pick and was named to the all-defense team after averaging 13.2 points and 7.7 rebounds per game.



Andrew Ferguson/AP

West Virginia's Asya Bussie, left, blocks Baylor's Odyssey Sims during during a Jan. 8 game in Morgantown, W.Va.





Darron Abate/AP

San Antonio forward Tim Duncan, right, shoots against Miami forward Chris Bosh during the first half of Thursday's game in San Antonio.

Duncan leads Spurs past Heat

By Raul Dominguez
Associated Press

Spurs	**111**
Heat	**87**

SAN ANTONIO — Tim Duncan had 23 points and 11 rebounds, and the San Antonio Spurs never trailed against the Miami Heat, weathering a sluggish third quarter for an intense and emotional 111-87 victory Thursday.

Tony Parker scored 17 points, including 14 in a wild first half, Boris Diaw added 16 and Kawhi Leonard had 11 for San Antonio, which has won five straight.

Chris Bosh had 24 points, LeBron James added 19, Dwyane Wade had 16 and Michael Beasley 11 for Miami.

James, who ditched the protective mask he was wearing early in the first half, was hounded by Leonard into shooting 6 for 18.

James got rid of the mask that protected his broken nose with four minutes left in the first quarter. He missed his first two attempts sans mask, tossing up a wild 14-footer that banged off the front of the rim and backboard, then botching a reverse layup. His first mask-free basket was a 5-foot running floater over Leonard with 6:26 left in the half.

The first home game for the Spurs against the Heat since losing a heart-wrenching, seven-game NBA Finals brought out a raucous sold-out crowd and sparked high emotions from both teams. Players dived recklessly for loose balls and yelled at officials, while San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich often screamed at his own players.

The Spurs opened the fourth quarter on a 13-6 run, returning to the breakneck attack that led to a 17-point lead in the first half. Duncan's 18-foot jumper gave San Antonio a 99-85 lead with 3:00 remaining, drawing a fist-pounding of the scorer's table by Manu Ginobili as he waited to enter the game.

TEXASCOLLEGEBASKETBALLROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Men

UTEP 61 UTSA 51

SAN ANTONIO — C.J. Cooper scored 20 points, tying a career-high, and dished out five assists as UTEP put away Texas-San Antonio 61-51 on Thursday night.

UTEP (22-9, 12-4 Conference USA) shot 44.2 percent from the field. Cedrick Lang finished with 12 points and John Bohannon had eight with nine rebounds.

The Roadrunners (8-21, 4-12) were held to 21-of-66 shooting (31.8 percent). Devon Agusi contributed 14 points, George Matthews had eight with 10 rebounds and Jordan Sims added seven points and 11 boards.

UTEP jumped out to a 7-0 lead early as Matt Willms had two baskets. Cooper added a pair from the perimeter along with a jumper and layup to push the Miners out to a 28-16 halftime advantage.

LOUISIANA TECH 70 RICE 48

HOUSTON — Chris Anderson scored 17 points and Jaron Johnson added 16 as Louisiana Tech clinched the Conference USA regular-season championship with a 70-48 victory over Rice on Thursday night.

Alex Hamilton chipped in 11 points and Kenneth Smith added nine assists for the Bulldogs (25-6, 13-3), who won their last four games to secure the championship after falling to East Carolina.

SOUTH ALABAMA 63 TEXAS STATE 53

MOBILE, Ala. — Augustine Rubit scored 14 points and pulled down 11 rebounds as South Alabama avenged an overtime loss to Texas State earlier this season with a 63-53 win Thursday.

Antoine Allen added 13 points for South Alabama (10-20, 4-13 Sun Belt Conference). The Jaguars never trailed and jumped to a 20-8 lead en route to a 31-18 halftime advantage. Rubit led South Alabama with 10 first-half points.

TEXAS-ARLINGTON 87 TROY 86, 2OT

TROY, Ala. — Brandon Edwards had 33 points and 19 rebounds to lead Texas-Arlington to an 87-86 double overtime victory at Troy on Thursday night.

Reger Dowell's 3-pointer, with 1:19 left in the second overtime, gave UT Arlington (14-15, 9-8 Sun Belt Conference) the lead for good at 82-80.

LAMAR 89 NEW ORLEANS 70

BEAUMONT — Nimrod Hilliard scored 19 points and dished out 11 assists to help Lamar snap a seven-game losing skid with an 89-70 victory over New Orleans on Thursday night.

Hilliard scored 12 points in the first half as Lamar took a 47-27 halftime lead. New Orleans pulled within 12 points, 72-60 with 7:01 to play but would not get any closer.

TULSA 79 NORTH TEXAS 68

DENTON — Rashad Ray and James Woodard each scored 18 points and Tulsa took down North Texas 79-68 Thursday to earn a share of the Conference USA regular season title.

Tulsa finished the regular season tied with Southern Miss, Louisiana Tech and Middle Tennessee atop the conference standings.

SAM HOUSTON 71 SE LOUISIANA 54

HUNTSVILLE — Kaheem Ransom and Dakarai Henderson scored 11 points each as Sam Houston State executed its typical balanced attack in downing SE Louisiana 71-54 on Thursday night.

Michael Holyfield grabbed 13 rebounds and scored eight points for the Bearkats, while Paul Baxter also scored eight points and added 11 assists. The Bearkats shot 49 percent from the field.

NICHOLLS 75 HOUSTON BAPTIST 62

HOUSTON — Jeremy Smith led the way with 17 points on 7-of-11 shooting as Nicholls beat Houston Baptist 75-62 for a sweep of the season series on Thursday night.

Nicholls (13-13, 10-7 Southland Conference) used a 10-0 run to extend its lead to 60-48 with just less than six minutes to play and Houston Baptist (6-24, 2-15) never challenged from there.

NBA STANDINGS AND BOXES

STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	33	26	559	—
Brooklyn	30	29	508	3
New York	22	40	355	12 1/2
Boston	20	41	328	14
Philadelphia	15	46	246	19
Southeast Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Miami	43	16	729	—
Washington	32	29	525	12
Charlotte	28	33	459	16
Atlanta	26	33	441	17
Orlando	19	44	302	26
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
x-Indiana	46	15	754	—
Chicago	34	27	557	12
Detroit	24	37	393	22
Cleveland	24	38	387	22 1/2
Milwaukee	12	48	200	33 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	45	16	738	—
Houston	42	19	689	3
Dallas	36	26	581	9 1/2
Memphis	34	26	567	10 1/2
New Orleans	24	37	393	21
Northwest Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Oklahoma City	46	16	742	—
Portland	42	19	689	3 1/2
Minnesota	30	30	500	15
Denver	26	34	433	19
Utah	21	40	344	24 1/2
Pacific Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
L.A. Clippers	42	20	677	—
Golden State	38	24	613	4
Phoenix	36	25	590	5 1/2
Sacramento	22	39	361	19 1/2
L.A. Lakers	21	40	344	20 1/2

x-clinched playoff spot

Thursday's Scores

San Antonio 111, Miami 87
Phoenix 128, Oklahoma City 122
L.A. Clippers at L.A. Lakers, late

Today's Games

Memphis at Chicago, 6 p.m.
Sacramento at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Cleveland at Charlotte, 6 p.m.
Brooklyn at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
Utah at New York, 6:30 p.m.
Detroit at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Milwaukee at New Orleans, 7 p.m.
Portland at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Denver, 8 p.m.
Indiana at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.

THURSDAY'S BOXES

SPURS 111, HEAT 87

MIAMI (87): Bahlter 0-1 0-0 0, James 6-18 7-9 19, Bosh 10-16 3-3 24, Chalmers 2-7 0-0 5, Wade 7-15 2-3 16, Allen 2-5 1-1 6, Andersen 2-3 2-2 6, Beasley 5-10 0-0 11, Cole 0-4 0-0 0, Odom 0-0 0-0 0, Haslem 0-0 0-0 0, Lewis 0-0 0-0 0, Douglas 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 34-79 15-18 87

SAN ANTONIO (111): Leonard 4-13 2-2 11, Duncan 8-13 5-5 23, Diaw 5-5 4-5 16, Parker 6-14 5-6 17, Green 2-8 0-0 6, Ginobili 3-6 0-0 6, Belinelli 3-5 2-2 8, Splitter 2-4 3-4 7, Mills 3-6 1-2 9, Joseph 0-2 0-0 0, Daye 2-2 0-0 6, Bonner 1-1 0-0 2, Baynes 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 40-79 22-26 111

Miami	**22**	**29**	**23**	**13**	**— 87**
San Antonio	**37**	**25**	**20**	**29**	**— 111**

3-Point Goals—Miami 4-13 (Beasley 1-1, Chalmers 1-1, Bosh 1-2, Allen 1-3, Cole 0-1, Bahlter 0-1, Wade 0-1, James 0-3), San Antonio 9-23 (Daye 2-2, Daye 2-2, Mills 2-5, Green 2-6, Leonard 1-4, Ginobili 0-2, Belinelli 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Miami 39 (James 8), San Antonio 52 (Duncan 11). Assists—Miami 25 (Wade, James 7), San Antonio 30 (Diaw 5). Total Fouls—Miami 22, San Antonio 17. Technicals—Chalmers, Wade, San Antonio defensive three second 2. A—18,581 (18,797).

SUNS 128, THUNDER 122

OKLAHOMA CITY (122): Durant 12-24 7-7 34, Ibaka 7-11 4-4 18, Adams 0-0 0-0 0, Westbrook 13-22 6-6 36, Jones 0-2 0-0 0, Roberson 0-0 0-0 0, Butler 4-11 2-2 14, Jackson 2-8 0-0 4, Collison 2-2 0-0 4, Fisher 2-4 0-0 5, Lamb 3-6 0-0 7. Totals 45-90 19-19 122

PHOENIX (128): Tucker 2-3 2-2 7, Frye 4-8 2-2 11, Len 2-3 2-3 6, Dragic 8-18 4-7 22, Green 12-22 9-11 41, Mark.Morris 8-13 8-10 24, Marc Morris 5-7 2-2 15, Goodwin 0-0 0-0 0, Smith 1-5 0-0 2, Randolph 0-1 0-2 0. Totals 42-80 29-39 128

Oklahoma City	**41**	**24**	**33**	**24**	**— 122**
Phoenix	**32**	**29**	**40**	**27**	**— 128**

3-Point Goals—Oklahoma City 13-33 (Butler 4-8, Westbrook 4-9, Durant 3-8, Fisher 1-2, Lamb 1-3, Jackson 0-1, Jones 0-1), Phoenix 15-27 (Green 8-13, Marc.Morris 3-4, Dragic 2-4, Tucker 1-2, Frye 1-3, Mark.Morris 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Oklahoma City 40 (Westbrook 9), Phoenix 53 (Tucker 9). Assists—Oklahoma City 21 (Westbrook 9), Phoenix 21 (Smith, Dragic, Tucker 4). Total Fouls—Oklahoma City 27, Phoenix 24. Technicals—Ibaka, Westbrook, Oklahoma City defensive three second, Frye, Green. A—17,816 (18,422).

COLLEGE BASKETBALL SCORES & SCHEDULES

Men

THURSDAY'S SCORES

SOUTHWEST

Arkansas St. 64, Louisiana-Monroe 58
Lamar 89, New Orleans 72
Louisiana Tech 70, Rice 48
Nicholls St. 75, Houston Baptist 62
Sam Houston St. 71, SE Louisiana 54
Stephen F. Austin 83, Oral Roberts 72
Texas A&M-CC 67, McNeese St. 51
Tulsa 79, North Texas 68
UTEP 61, UTSA 51

SOUTH

Bethune-Cookman 70, Florida A&M 68
Charlotte 74, Marshall 70
FIU 74, FAU 70
Hampton 89, NC A&T 71
LSU 57, Vanderbilt 51
Md.-Eastern Shore 84, Delaware St. 70
Middle Tennessee 55, UAB 53
Morgan St. 68, Howard 66, OT
NC Central 76, Norfolk St. 70
Northwestern St. 119, Cent. Arkansas 102
Old Dominion 88, East Carolina 47
South Alabama 63, Texas St. 53
Southern Miss. 68, Tulane 51
Southern U. 91, Prairie View 56
Texas Southern 77, Alcorn St. 69
Texas-Arlington 87, Troy 86, 2OT
W. Kentucky 75, Louisiana-Lafayette 72

MIDWEST

Cincinnati 97, Memphis 84
Idaho 79, Chicago St. 76
Penn St. 59, Northwestern 32
UMKC 82, Seattle 73
Villanova 77, Xavier 70

FAR WEST

N. Arizona 61, Montana St. 48

EAST

George Mason 59, La Salle 57

TOURNAMENT

Atlantic Sun Conference
Semifinals

Florida Gulf Coast 69, ETSU 64

Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference
First Round

Rider 71, Monmouth (NJ) 60
St. Peter's 65, Fairfield 62, OT

Missouri Valley Conference
First Round

Evansville 69, Drake 61

Ohio Valley Conference
Second Round

Morehead St. 76, Tennessee Tech 61

TODAY'S GAMES

SOUTH

Houston at UCF, 6:30 p.m.

MIDWEST

Kent St. at Akron, 6 p.m.
W. Michigan at Cent. Michigan, 6 p.m.

EAST

Dartmouth at Brown, 6 p.m.
Penn at Columbia, 6 p.m.
Princeton at Cornell, 6 p.m.
Harvard at Yale, 6:30 p.m.

TOURNAMENTS

Big South Conference
At Conway, S.C.
Quarterfinals

High Point vs. Winthrop, 11 a.m.
UNC Asheville vs. Radford, 1:30 p.m.
Coastal Carolina vs. Charleston Southern, 5 p.m.
VMI vs. Gardner-Webb, 7:30 p.m.

Colonial Athletic Association
At Baltimore
First Round

Hofstra vs. UNC Wilmington, 6 p.m.

Horizon League
At Green Bay, Wis.
Second Round

Wright St. vs. Oakland, 6 p.m.
Valparaiso vs. Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.

Missouri Valley Conference
At St. Louis
Quarterfinals

Wichita St. vs. Evansville, 12:05 p.m.
Missouri St. vs. Illinois St., 2:35 p.m.
Indiana St. vs. Bradley-Loyola of Chicago winner, 6:05 p.m.
N. Iowa vs. S. Illinois, 8:35 p.m.

Ohio Valley Conference
At Nashville, Tenn.
Semifinals

Belmont vs. Morehead St., 5:30 p.m.
Murray St. vs. E. Kentucky—SE Missouri-E. Illinois winner, 8 p.m.

Southern Conference
At Asheville, N.C.
First Round

Samford vs. Appalachian St., 10 a.m.
Georgia Southern vs. Furman, 12:30 p.m.
UNC Greensboro vs. The Citadel, 3 p.m.

Women

THURSDAY'S SCORES

SOUTHWEST

Lamar 83, New Orleans 51
Nicholls St. 73, Houston Baptist 69
Sam Houston St. 93, SE Louisiana 73
Stephen F. Austin 72, Oral Roberts 52
Texas A&M-CC 74, McNeese St. 69

SOUTH

Alabama St. 78, Grambling St. 77
Florida A&M 67, Bethune-Cookman 60
Hampton 54, NC A&T 51
Jackson St. 85, Alabama A&M 78
Jacksonville 65, Kennesaw St. 46
Lipscomb 76, ETSU 74
Md.-Eastern Shore 74, Delaware St. 71, OT
Mercer 71, North Florida 65
Morgan St. 59, Howard 58
N. Kentucky 71, SC-Upstate 58
NC Central 63, Norfolk St. 53
Northwestern St. 77, Cent. Arkansas 45
Savannah St. 60, SC State 51
Southern U. 69, Prairie View 59
Texas Southern 67, Alcorn St. 64

EAST

Evansville 73, Bradley 55
Green Bay 67, Oakland 52
Ill.-Chicago 83, Detroit 66
Indiana St. 73, Drake 71
Loyola of Chicago 67, S. Illinois 56
N. Iowa 89, Illinois St. 70

FAR WEST

Grand Canyon 66, New Mexico St. 56
Idaho 91, Chicago St. 41
Idaho St. 86, E. Washington 62
Montana 87, Sacramento St. 76
Montana St. 99, N. Arizona 85
Portland St. 62, Weber St. 60
S. Utah 73, North Dakota 53

TOURNAMENT

Atlantic 10 Conference
Second Round

Duquesne 61, Rhode Island 53
La Salle 65, Saint Louis 56
Saint Joseph's 89, George Mason 55
VCU 61, Richmond 52

Atlantic Coast Conference
Second Round

Florida St. 72, Miami (FL) 67
Georgia Tech 77, Virginia 76
Syracuse 63, Clemson 53

Big South Conference
Quarterfinals

Campbell 63, Gardner-Webb 46
High Point 79, UNC Asheville 69
Liberty 67, Presbyterian 42
Winthrop 77, Coastal Carolina 58

Big Ten Conference
First Round

Iowa 81, Illinois 62
Michigan 82, Indiana 57
Minnesota 74, Wisconsin 68, OT
Ohio St. 86, Northwestern 77

Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference
First Round

Monmouth (NJ) 66, Niagara 62
Rider 64, St. Peter's 55
Siena 87, Manhattan 66

Ohio Valley Conference
Second Round

E. Kentucky 79, Tennessee St. 75
Jacksonville St. 97, Tennessee Tech 58

Pacific-10 Conference
First Round

Colorado 76, UCLA 65
Southern Cal 59, Arizona 54

Patriot League
Quarterfinals

American U. 51, Lafayette 49
Army 49, Boston U. 45
Holy Cross 79, Bucknell 66
Navy 84, Lehigh 54

Southeastern Conference
Second Round

Auburn 70, Mississippi 54
Florida 71, Mississippi St. 67
Georgia 53, Vanderbilt 43
LSU 78, Alabama 65

West Coast Conference
First Round

Pepperdine 80, Santa Clara 74
San Francisco 63, Loyola Marymount 62

TODAY'S GAMES

SOUTH

Charlotte at UAB, 2 p.m.

FAR WEST

Nevada at UNLV, 7 p.m.
Air Force at Boise St., 8 p.m.
Wyoming at Colorado St., 8 p.m.
San Diego St. at New Mexico, 8 p.m.
San Jose St. at Fresno St., 9 p.m.

EAST

Brown at Dartmouth, 6 p.m.
Yale at Harvard, 6 p.m.
Columbia at Penn, 6 p.m.
Cornell at Princeton, 6 p.m.

TOURNAMENTS

America East Conference
At Albany, N.Y.
First Round

Stony Brook vs. UMBC, 11 a.m.
New Hampshire vs. Vermont, 1:30 p.m.
Albany (N.Y.) vs. Binghamton, 5 p.m.
Maine vs. Hartford, 7:30 p.m.

American Athletic Conference
At Uncasville, Conn.
First Round

Cincinnati vs. UCF, 5 p.m.
Memphis vs. Houston, 7:30 p.m.

Atlantic Coast Conference
At Greensboro, N.C.
Quarterfinals

N.C. State vs. Syracuse—Virginia Tech-Clemson winner, 10 a.m.
Notre Dame vs. Miami-Florida St. winner, 1 p.m.
Duke vs. Georgia Tech—Virginia-Boston College winner, 5 p.m.
Maryland vs. North Carolina—Wake Forest-Pittsburgh winner, 7:30 p.m.

Atlantic 10 Conference
At Richmond, Va.
Quarterfinals

Dayton vs. VCU-Richmond winner, 11 a.m.
George Washington vs. Saint Joseph's—George Mason-UMass winner, 1:30 p.m.
St. Bonaventure vs. La Salle-Saint Louis winner, 4 p.m.
Fordham vs. Duquesne-Rhode Island winner, 6:30 p.m.

Big Ten Conference
At Indianapolis
Quarterfinals

Penn St. vs. Ohio St.-Northwestern winner, 11 a.m.
Purdue vs. Iowa-Illinois winner, 1:25 p.m.
Michigan St. vs. Michigan-Indiana winner, 5:30 p.m.
Nebraska vs. Minnesota-Wisconsin winner, 7:55 p.m.

Big 12 Conference
At Oklahoma City
First Round

Kansas vs. Kansas St., 6 p.m.
TCU vs. Texas Tech, 8:30 p.m.

Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference
At Springfield, Mass.
Quarterfinals

Iona vs. Niagara-Monmouth (N.J.) winner, 11 a.m.
Quinnipiac vs. Canisius, 1:30 p.m.
Marist vs. Manhattan-Siena winner, 6 p.m.
Fairfield vs. Rider-Saint Peter's winner, 8:30 p.m.

Ohio Valley Conference
At Nashville, Tenn.
Semifinals

UT Martin vs. Tennessee St.—E. Kentucky-E. Illinois winner, Noon
Belmont vs. Tennessee Tech—Jacksonville St.-SIU Edwardsville winner, 2:30 p.m.

Pacific-12 Conference
At Seattle
Quarterfinals

Stanford vs. UCLA-Colorado winner, 2 p.m.
Arizona St. vs. Southern Cal-Arizona winner, 4:30 p.m.
California vs. Washington St.-Oregon winner, 8 p.m.
Oregon St. vs. Washington-Utah winner, 10:30 p.m.

Southeastern Conference
At Duluth, Ga.
Quarterfinals

South Carolina vs. Vanderbilt-Georgia winner, 11 a.m.
Kentucky vs. Florida—Missouri-Mississippi St. winner, 1:30 p.m.
Tennessee vs. Alabama-LSU winner, 5 p.m.
Texas A&M vs. Auburn—Arkansas-Mississippi winner, 7:30 p.m.

Southern Conference
At Asheville, N.C.
First Round

Georgia Southern vs. Wofford, 10 a.m.
W. Carolina vs. UNC Greensboro, 12:15 p.m.

West Coast Conference
At Las Vegas
Quarterfinals

Pacific vs. Portland, 2 p.m.
BYU vs. Santa Clara-Pepperdine winner, 4:30 p.m.
Gonzaga vs. San Francisco-Loyola Marymount winner, 8 p.m.

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		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KMID	ABC	(newsprvly)	Wheel of Fortune	Last Man St (N)	Neighbors (N)	Shark Tank (N)		20/20		KMID News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live		(:35) News Nightline
KOSA	CBS	7 News	Ent. Tonight	Boss "Undercover Employee" (N)		Hawaii Five-0 "Hoku Welowelo" (N)		Blue Bloods "Insult to Injury" (N)		CBS 7 News	(:35) David Letterman		(:35) Late Late (N)
KWWT	CW	5	14		5	14	Seinfeld	Rules of Engage.	Whose Line Is It?	Whose Line Is It?	Star-Crossed	Rules of Engage.	Seinfeld	Commu-nity	Commu-nity	That '70s Show	That '70s Show
KPEJ	FOX	8	5	5	8	8	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Bones "The Mystery in the Meat"		Enlisted (N)	Raising Hope (N)	Modern Family	Modern Family	The Arsenio Hall Show		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother
KMLM	IND	11	11	12	11	11	Biblical Israel	Update News	Doorways to Wisdom		Light of the Southwest				Update News	BAS Presents	Walking	Y.Salamanca
KWES	NBC	9	9	9	9	9	NewsWest 9 at 6 p.m.		Dateline NBC		Grimm "Mommy Dearest" (N)		Hannibal "Sakizuki" (N)		News-West 9	(:35) The Tonight Show		(:35) Late Night
KPBT	PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Albert King With Great musicians play the blues on electric guitars.		Joe Bonamassa: Tour de Force, Live in London				Charlie Rose (N)		BBC News	Tavis Smiley
KUPB	UNI	4	4		4	16	El gordo y la flaca		Por Siempre Mi Amor		La Que La Vida Me Robo		Que Pobres Tan Ricos		Noticias Tejas	Noticiero noctu.	Una familia con suerte	
KOSA	MNT	16	16		16		Fam.Feud	Million..	Monk		Monk		My News	Million..	30 Rock	Sunny	Access H.	Insider
FLIX		340	65		165		(5:00) The Magic...		(:35) Venus Jodie Whittaker...		(:35) About Adam				(:55) Born on the Fourth of July			
HBO		300	68	14	14		(5:00) Chasing M...		True Detective		True Detective		Bill Maher		Bill Maher		Girls	Looking
HBO2		302	69	15	101	23	(:15) Parental Guidance (2012, Comedy)				This Is 40 ('12, Com) Paul Rudd.				(:15) Prometheus Noomi Rapace.			
HBOS		304	70	16	102		(4:40) Before Mid...		The Sopranos		Girls	Looking	Taken 2 Liam Neeson.				(:05) War of the Worlds	
MAX		380	71	17	120	24	(5:00) Journey 2: The Mysteri...		The Purge (P) (N)				Banshee (N)		Banshee	Quickies	Lolita From Inte...	
MAX2		382	72	18	122		(:10) Top Gun ('86, Act) Tom Cruise.				Banshee				Fight Club ('99, Psy) Brad Pitt.		(:20) Ted	
PLEX				96			(5:25) The Pilot's ...		Robocop 3				(:50) Dragon: The Bruce Lee Story				(:55) Bruno	
SHOW		320	66	19	140	25	(5:30) Lenny Cooke		Gucci: The Director				Crash ('04, Dra) Sandra Bullock.				Original Sin	
TMC		336	67	22	155	26	(4:50) The Ghost ...		Sahara Matthew McConaughey.				(:05) Team America: World ...		(:45) Soul Plane Tom Arnold.			
A&E		27	32	28	35	47	First 48 "Calling for a Killer/ Boiling Point"		The First 48 "Dead End Drive/ The Fixer"		The First 48 (N)		Beyond Scared Straight (N)		Those Who Kill "Pilot"		The First 48 "Dead End Drive/ The Fixer"	
AMC		40	21	23	42	51	(2:30) Titanic		Friday Night Lights Billy Bob Thornton.					Walking Dead "Still"	Game of Arms		Movie	
BET		58	26		40		Game		Daddy's Little Girls ('07, Rom) Gabrielle Union.				Scandal (N)		Scandal		Wendy Williams	
BRAVO		65	63		41		(5:00) 2 Fast 2 Fur...		The Fast and the Furious ('01, Act) Vin Diesel.						The Fast and the Furious ('01, Act) Vin Diesel.			
CNBC		46	45		39	72	(4:00) TBA		The Profit "Car Cash"		The Profit				American Greed		American Greed	
CNN		43	24	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		Piers Morgan Live		Crossfire	Unguard	Anthony Bourdain		Piers Morgan Live	
DISC		50	20	31	24	42	To Be Announced		Gold Rush		Gold Rush (N)		Game of Stones (N)		Gold Rush		Game of Stones	
DISNEY		56	27	36	25	36	(5:20) The Adven...		Jessie (N)	Dog Blog	Fishn (N)	Liv/Mad	Austin	Dog Blog	Jessie	Austin	GoodLuck	Jessie
ESPN		32	29	48	31	30	NBA Basketball Memphis Grizzlies vs. Chicago Bulls (L)								NBA Basketball Indiana Pacers vs. Houston Rockets (L)		SportsCenter	
ESPN2		34	28	49	32	31	NCAA Basketball MAC Wild Card Kent/Akr. (L)				Boxing Friday Night Fights (L)				SportsCenter		Olbermann	
FAMILY		53	54	34	42	33	(5:00) Dolphin Tale		Holes ('03, Adv) Sigourney Weaver.						The 700 Club		Fresh P.	Fresh P.
FNC		45	58	53	23	55	On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File		Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File	
FOOD		64	59	27	68	54	Diners...	Diners, Dr.	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...
FSSW		37	43	50	45	29	(5:00) NCAA Basketball (L)		Mavs Pre (L)		NBA Basketball Portland Trail Blazers vs. Dallas Mavericks Site: American Airlines Center -- Dallas, Texas (L)				Maveric-ks Live (L)	Rodeo Wrap (L)	Maveric-ks Insider	SportsDay OnAir
FX		31	31	59	64	69	Mother	Mother	How to Train Your Dragon Gerard Butler.						How to Train Your Dragon Gerard Butler.			
HALLMARK		54	49	58		34	The Waltons		Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV		63	50	26	48	44	House	House	RenoReal	RenoReal	RenoReal	RenoReal	HouseH	House	House	House	RenoReal	RenoReal
HISTORY		71	62	29	50	43	American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers	
LIFETIME		28	25	25	28	48	Wife Swap "Kinsman/ Thompson"		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		OffTheirR ockers (N)	OffTheirR ockers (N)	Off Their Rockers	Off Their Rockers	To Be Announced	
MSNBC		47	51		49	73	Hardball		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		MSNBCDocumentary		MSNBCDocumentary		MSNBCDocumentary	
NBCSN		38	39				NHLRev.	NCAA Basketball (L)				NHL Revealed		Auctions America		Auctions America		Auctions America	
NICK		55	34	39	34	37	Korra	Ninja	Rabbids	SanjayCr	TBA	TBA	Nanny	Nanny	Friends	Friends	G. Lopez	G. Lopez
SPIKE		30	22	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops "Cell Phone Secrets"				(:15) Best of Glory		(:15) Cops	(:45) Cops
SYFY		66	64	41	57	67	Helix "Level X"		WWE Smackdown! (N)				Helix "Fushig" (N)		Bitten "Prisoner"		Helix "Fushig"	
TBS		25	11	44	66	41	Sein. "The Couch"	Family Guy	Wedding Crashers Two womanizers sneak into weddings to take advantage of the romantic tinge in the air.						Yes Man (2008, Comedy) Zooey Deschanel, Bradley Cooper, Jim Carrey.		Men at Work	
TCM		41	61	24	63	66	(5:15) Enchanted ...		Eat Drink Man Woman Ang Lee.				(:15) Mostly Martha Martina Gedeck.				(:15) Tom Jones	
TELE		20	8	10	20		Caso cerrado		La impostora		En otra piel		Camella la texana		Al rojo	(:25) Titular.	En otra piel	
TLC		51	33	32	38	52	Somethin g Borrow	Something Borrowed	Say Yes-Dress	Say Yes-Dress	Say Yes-Dress (N)	Say Yes-Dress (N)	Borrowed (N)	Somethin g Borrow	Say Yes-Dress	Say Yes-Dress	Somethin g Borrow	Somethin g Borrow
TNT		24	23	40	26	50	Castle "Linchpin"		Inside Job "Shoedazzle" (N)				Save Bus. "King's Kajukenbo" (N)		Cold Justice "Billy Goat Hill"		Inside Job "Shoedazzle"	
TVLAND		49	48	35	54	35	Griffith	Gilligan	Gilligan	Gilligan	Loves Ray	(:35) Ray	(:10) Ray	(:50) Ray	(:25) King of Queens		Queens	Queens
USA		26	30	42	27	49	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Quickie"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "PTSD"		Modern Family "Pilot"		Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Sirens "Pilot"	Fast Five ('11, Act) Vin Diesel.	
WGN		19	18				America's Funniest Home Videos		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Mother "Noretta"	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Parks and Rec	Parks and Rec

Broncos release CB Champ Bailey

By Pat Graham
Associated Press

DENVER — Champ Bailey spent a decade with the Denver Broncos, making eight Pro Bowls and picking off 34 passes even with quarterbacks only reluctantly glancing his way.

This number was hard to overlook: $10 million.

In a salary-cap move Thursday, the Broncos released Bailey, the team's defensive leader who's been a fan favorite since he was acquired in a trade with Washington in 2004.

There's simply no room for loyalty in the NFL, especially with free agency about to start and with holes needing to be filled, something that became apparent to the Broncos after a 43-8 loss to the Seattle Seahawks in the Super Bowl last month.

Broncos boss John Elway called the decision to release Bailey a "difficult" one given all that the perennial Pro Bowl cornerback has brought to the team over his 10 seasons in the Mile High City.

"Without question, he's among the best cornerbacks to ever play the game and one of the finest players in the history of the Broncos," Elway said in a statement. "You couldn't ask for more in a player than what Champ brought to this team. His combination of elite talent, class, leadership and competitiveness made him one of the all-time greats."

Stars set to retire Mike Modano's No. 9

By Schuyler Dixon
Associated Press

DALLAS — Even if the next face of the franchise is in the building when the Dallas Stars retire Mike Modano's No. 9, any comparison will fall short.

This is the guy who made hockey cool in Dallas as many fans were just trying to figure out what they're watching. This is the guy who knew how daunting the task was the moment he arrived from puck-mad Minnesota two decades ago.

Sure, Jamie Benn or Tyler Seguin could be the one leading the Stars back to championship contention one of these days. But after Saturday, any return to glory will come under Modano's number hanging in the rafters.

"The only difference is I was 22, 23 coming into a town that didn't know anything about hockey," Modano told The Associated Press. "So I grew up with this town, with the sport, so people couldn't relate to the sport without relating to a few of us in the same sense. And having the success that our team did and individually that I was able to have, those opportunities and those scenarios don't get played out too often in many cities or organizations."

Golf

From 1C

Dufner said he hasn't had to think his way around a golf course this much since he was at Muirfield last year for the British Open, even though the tracks are nothing alike.

"This used to be a golf course where you grab your driver on every hole, swing for the fences and play from there," he said. "You can't get away with that here at Doral anymore."

Dufner didn't feel comfortable with driver on the 14th, so he laid back and had 236 yards left to the par 4. He hit 3-iron and made birdie, anyway. Other times, he failed to dial it back and paid the price.

"You're not going to go through this tournament on this golf course anymore with no bogeys," he said. "Everybody is going to be making some bogeys here and there, so pretty happy with where I'm at."

Jordan Spieth already had three bogeys and a double bogey on the par-5 12th hole. He countered with five birdies and was even par through 15 holes. Only 19 players were under par when the round was stopped.

Woods made two bogeys without a single birdie. He'll have eight holes remaining Friday morning to make up some ground.

"Should be a long day for all of us," Woods said. "Hopefully, tomorrow I can get back out there in the morning, play well and work back to even par by the end of the first round, then shoot a low one in the afternoon."

DIVOTS: Brendon de Jonge said he injured his right ribs in the final round at the Honda Classic. He is on pain medication, which he said makes him feel a bit light-headed. The Zimbabwean opened with a 76. He said he would take next week off and have an MRI. ... Jason Day withdrew before the round began with an injury to his left thumb, which he said was hurting him when he won the Match Play Championship two weeks ago.

Scores

Cadillac Championship Scores
Thursday
At Trump National Doral (Blue Monster)
Doral, Fla.
Purse: $8 million
Yardage: 7,401; Par: 72 (36-36)
Partial First Round
Play was suspended by rain and darkness

Harris English	32-37—69
Scott Piercy	36-35—71
Patrick Reed	35-38—73
Kevin Chappell	39-37—76
Brendon de Jonge	37-39—76
Jonas Blixt	39-41—79

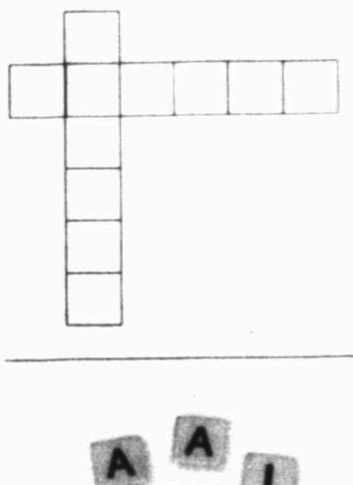
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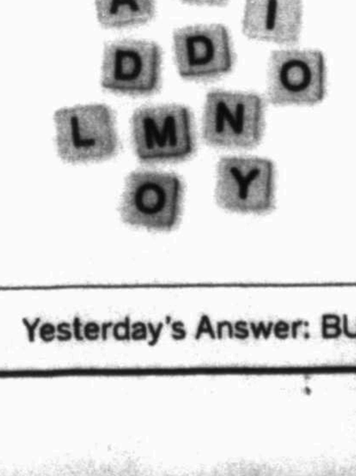
	SCORE	THRU
Hunter Mahan	-3	14
Patrick Reed	-3	11
Jason Dufner	-3	18
Francesco Molinari	-3	13
Harris English	-3	F
Adam Scott	-2	10
Zach Johnson	-2	11
Matt Kuchar	-2	10
Russell Henley	-2	15
Dustin Johnson	-2	15
Louis Oosthuizen	-2	13
Chad Campbell	-2	15
Ryan Moore	-2	12
Rory McIlroy	-1	14
Keegan Bradley	-1	13
Miguel Angel Jimenez	-1	10
Sergio Garcia	-1	11
Jimmy Walker	-1	9
Stephen Gallacher	-1	10

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LEVEL

For each bunch below, rearrange the letters to form two intersecting words that fit into the corresponding grid.





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Yesterday's Answer: BULLET, BANDIT, ACUITY

3.7

TODAY: Partly sunny	SATURDAY: Mostly cloudy	SUNDAY: Mostly sunny	MONDAY: Mostly sunny	TUESDAY: Mostly sunny	WEDNESDAY: Mostly sunny
High: 78 Low: 45	High: 49 Low: 35	High: 61 Low: 39	High: 70 Low: 48	High: 80 Low: 39	High: 58 Low: 37

Local almanac

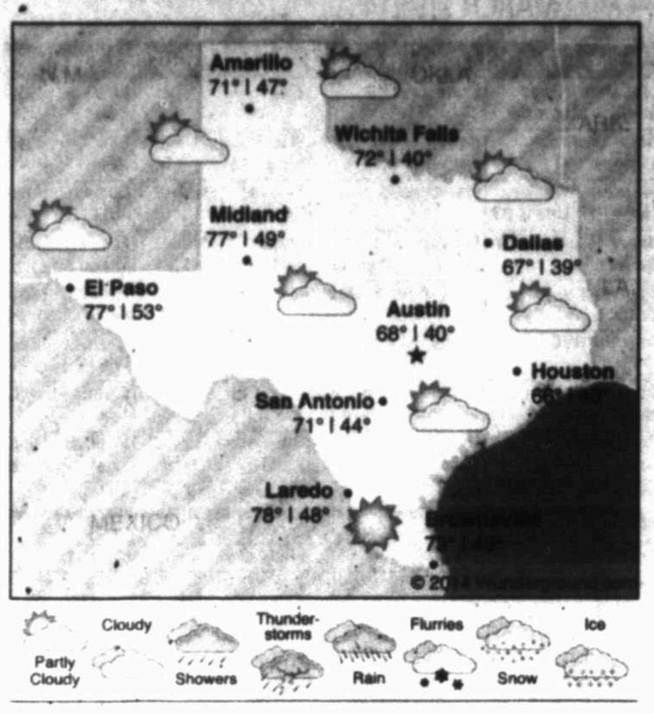
The high on Thursday reached 69, while the low dropped to 29. The record high for March 6 is 90 set in 1946. The record low is 15 set in 1989.

Weather Whys

Q: How are anemometers useful in weather forecasting?

The wind itself is an important component of weather, but knowing the speed and direction from which the wind is approaching can help indicate future patterns by looking upstream, said Brent McRoberts, of Texas A&M University. "Although anemometers can only tell the winds at the surface, they still have the ability to show which way temperatures, humidities and storms are moving as well as how soon the changes can be expected," he said. "Combined with weather-balloon data of winds from the upper atmosphere, the large network of anemometer data is plugged into computer forecast models and has proven to be one of the most important components in predicting the weather."

Weather Whys is a service of the Department of Atmospheric Sciences at Texas A&M.



Precipitation

Wednesday	0.00 in.
Thursday	0.00 in.
Month total	trace
Year total	0.26 in.
Normal total (year to date)	1.39 in.

Thursday's temperatures

High	69
Low	29
Normal high	67
Normal low	39
Sunrise	7:09 a.m.
Sunset	6:51 p.m.



Woman seeks way to shed shell of her former self

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: As a child, I was sexually, physically and mentally abused. As an adult, I suffered several miscarriages and two of my children died as infants. I have two living children, ages 9 and 16. It should be no surprise that I turned to food for comfort; I ate myself to a whopping 420 pounds.

After my marriage ended in a bitter divorce, I decided it was time for a complete make-over. I have lost more than 200 pounds. Because of my weight loss, I have gained better health, more energy, a better outlook on life — and almost 36 pounds of baggy skin. With this much excess skin, I'm sure you can imagine that I bring a whole new meaning to the word "skinny."

Insurance will not help with skin removal. Burn centers use skin from cadavers, so I can't donate it to a good cause. I view myself as an overcomer of many things. I just need assistance in overcoming this oversized birthday suit. Can you please advise? — LEFT HANGING IN COLORADO

DEAR LEFT HANGING: I addressed your question to prominent Los Angeles plastic surgeon Joel Aronowitz, who suggests you start calling around to universities that offer plastic surgery residencies. It's possible a resident could perform your surgery under the supervision of an experienced attending physician and you would pay a lower rate for the procedure than you would be charged by a private physician.

He also told me that insurance should pay for the excision of skin in areas where it overlaps with other skin because it could be medically necessary if it causes rashes or infections that are giving you problems. If this is documented by an experienced plastic surgeon, those areas of your body might be covered by your insurance.

Many people finance their plastic surgeries through companies that specialize in this. The doctor's patient coordinator can direct you to one that works with the practice. However, I would advise you to wait until you have lost ALL of the weight you intend to before getting anything done.

DEAR ABBY: About 10 years ago I became involved with a man I later found out was married. It was hard for me, but I ended the relationship and ceased all contact with him because I didn't want to be the cause of a broken family.

Since then, I no longer think of myself as a good person, Abby. I can't forget that I was the "other woman," and I feel horrible about it.

I have tried my best to "keep my nose clean." I returned to college to complete a degree, and I avoid the dating scene. I graduated with good grades, but with all the free time I have now, I realize how lonely I am.

The majority of my friends are married or in long-term relationships. I visit with them less and less because it reminds me of my aching to have a special someone. I'm tired of hating myself and feeling lonely, but I'm afraid I'll mess up again. Do you have any advice? — MISERABLE IN KILLEEN

DEAR MISERABLE: Yes. Please stop feeling guilty and flogging yourself for what happened. In a sense, you were as much a victim of this cheater as his wife was. Instead, thank your lucky stars that he didn't waste more of your time.

While I understand why you'd question your judgment or have some trust issues, by avoiding all contact with men, you have gone too far. If necessary, talk this through with a religious adviser or a licensed mental health professional. If you do, it will help you more quickly get on with your life.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, March 7, 2014:

This year you often wonder how you could change a domestic matter to make it more rewarding. You also might opt for a change of location or a possible variation in the usage of your home. A home business becomes a strong possibility. If you are single, you could get into a live-in situation too quickly. Be true to yourself, but know that getting out of this arrangement could be challenging. If you are attached, keep the lines of communication open. Your needs are likely to change, as are your sweetie's. Both of you will benefit from new scenery or a move, though it could be hard on you. You often find yourself in tense situations with GEMINI.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ Monetary confusion will force excellent communication. Underneath the issue could lie a power play or control game. The only way to win is not to play. Return calls and toss yourself into completing what you must to start the weekend well. Tonight: TGIF!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ Be aware of what you have to offer, and don't sell yourself short. If you have an opportunity to clear up a problem with ease, do. Avoid all power struggles — no one really wins. Focus on your finances, but avoid taking risks that could backfire. Tonight: Say "yes" to an invitation.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ You might feel uncomfortable around someone who insists on being a controlling force. Realize that you have the same trait. An unexpected development could take the pressure off this situation, or you could be distracted by a different issue. Tonight: Go along with a suggestion.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★ Your instincts might encourage you to assume a low-profile. A boss or someone you have to answer to could become even more unpredictable. Understand that you can't change this person, so learn to accept his or her behavior. Tonight: Your plans must not be in the public realm.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ You could be drained by what is happening. You can't change someone else, so consider detaching. You will discover an unusual solution that is heading your way. Pace yourself, and know that you have a lot to do. Tonight: Head out once you feel free and clear of work.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ You might be asked at the last minute to take charge. Of course, you'll say yes. You will feel flattered by the attention. Resist getting into a disagreement with a loved one. This person simply wants more time with you. Tonight: Note all the attention that you are receiving.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Someone's unpredictability could trigger your frustration and open old wounds. Know that your feelings probably have more to do with the past than with the present. A family member could stonewall you as a way to show you his or her preferences. Tonight: Go for unique.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Deal with people directly today. Eliminate the middleman as much as possible. Be smart and confirm meetings. Repeat what you believe you have heard, especially if it does not make sense. Small precautions could save the day. Tonight: Spend time with a favorite friend.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ Let others make the first move, even if you are uncomfortable being passive. Your creativity might be triggered by an unexpected event. You know what you are doing and why. Let others know as well. Tonight: Just don't be alone.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Your sense of duty does not permit you to run out the door carefree, though you might want to. Unexpected developments could keep you busier than you had imagined. You could decide to cancel a meeting as the pressure builds. Tonight: Make sure you get some form of exercise.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Your spunkiness comes through, no matter what you do. You have a tendency toward fast retorts and not-so-nice comments. Tap into your imagination and slow down a bit in order to give people a chance to catch up to you. Tonight: Join friends for a fun happening.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ Stay focused on what you must do. Your sense of humor will come through, which could help you let off some steam. A friend might change his or her mind about plans, but he or she might not know how to tell you. Remain open and direct. Tonight: Play it easy.

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BORN TODAY

Actor Bryan Cranston (1956), painter Piet Mondrian (1872), race car driver Janet Guthrie (1938)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

North-South vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ 10 5 2
♥ A K J 5 4 2
♦ 5
♣ J 9 2

WEST
♠ K Q 9 8
♥ 7 6
♦ Q J 9 8
♣ 10 8 3

EAST
♠ 7 6 3
♥ Q 10 3
♦ K 10 7 4 3 2
♣ 5

SOUTH
♠ A J 4
♥ 9 8
♦ A 6
♣ A K Q 7 6 4

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♣	Pass	1	Pass
3NT	Pass	4♣	Pass
4	Pass	4	Pass
4♠	Pass	7♣	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: King of ♠

A three no-trump re-bid by a player who has opened in a minor suit shows a massive suit at least six cards long and otherwise suitable for play in no-trump. South's club suit is of minimum quality for this re-bid. With one less club, or the club queen located in another suit, South would have chosen a different bid.

North's four-club bid was forcing and a slam try. The next three bids were all cue-bids, showing first-round controls. Many rubber bridge players, with money on the line, are reluctant to risk their small slam bonus unless they can count 13 sure tricks. North was an experienced player who knew the folly of that approach. It is important to bid your grand slams — you are only dealt so many and you can't afford to squander them. North could see a fair chance for 13 tricks and he leaped boldly to seven clubs!

South won the opening spade lead and determined that his best chance was to find the hearts splitting no worse than 3-2 — the expected break. He also needed trumps to split no worse than 3-1. He cashed two high trumps in hand, then dummy's ace and king of hearts. South ruffed the third round of hearts with the queen of clubs, then led a low club back to dummy's jack, drawing the last trump in the process.

He was able to claim his contract with six club tricks, five heart tricks, and the other two aces. Well bid and well played!

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Small amount
4 WWII MIA location
11 NFL captains
14 __ Jima
15 High-class tobacco products
16 Samovar
17 GPS finding
18 Good chap
19 Nonpro sports org.
20 Plot
22 Providing with a transcript, possibly
24 __-tzu
25 Climbing aids
29 Arm support
31 Viral chorus?
32 Turkic Russian
33 Histrionic display
37 Roast, in a Baja dish
38 Stuck
39 __ mining
40 "Argo" actor
43 NBA coach Thomas
44 Historic town in Lazio
45 Santa __ winds
46 Innocuous sorts
50 Way to find out what you know
52 3-D graph part
53 "It's just __ thought ..."
54 "South Pacific" song
60 Highway or city stat
61 "Illmatic" rap star
62 Mythical symbol of purity
63 Fitting
64 Room with hoops
65 What this grid's big symbol is, Across and Down
66 Albany is its cap.

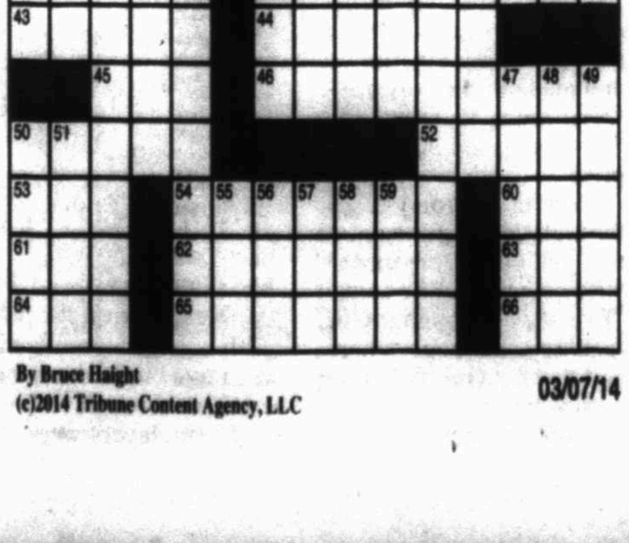
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1 Dump
2 Man __
3 Autocratic approach
4 Book with shots
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7 Low island
8 Afr. country
9 If said again, group in a 1950s African uprising
10 Studying on a couch?
11 Draw back with alarm
12 Stock mark
13 Curls up
21 Books about Toronto and Ottawa, say
23 Country abutting Nicaragua
25 Put away
26 Not down: Abbr.
27 FDR loan org.
28 Papa John's rival
29 GDR spy group
30 Holds up
34 Annoy
35 __ bono: "Who stands to gain?" in law
36 B&O stop
40 Org. for Nadal and Djokovic
41 Lucy of "Kill Bill"
42 Colorado NHL club, to fans
47 Band guitarist, in slang
48 Lacking stability
49 Army squad NCOs
50 Sharp tooth
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56 Paris lily
57 Suffix with tact
58 __ polloi
59 Valiant's son

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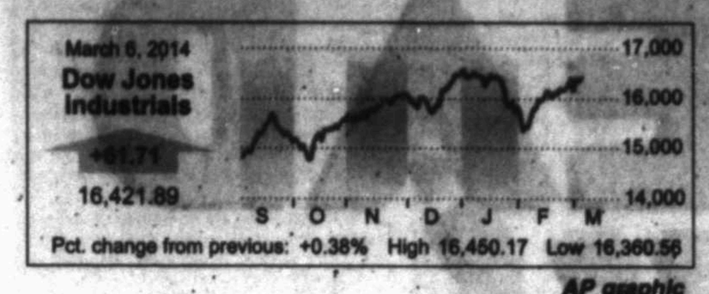
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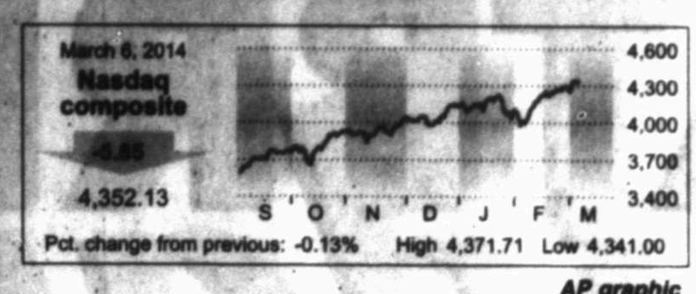


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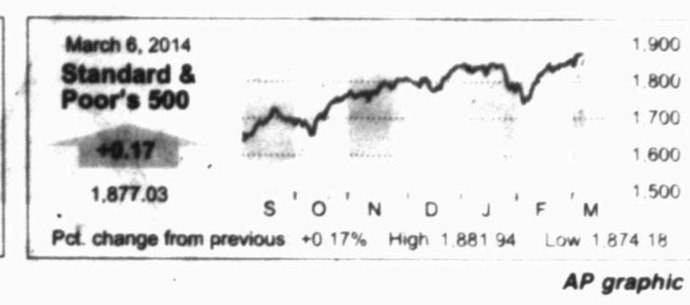
A DAY ON WALL STREET



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House passes bill to block Obama climate plan

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Aiming at the heart of President Barack Obama's strategy for fighting climate change, the Republican-controlled House voted Thursday to block the administration's plan to limit carbon pollution from new power plants.

The bill targets Obama's proposal for the Environmental Protection Agency to set the first national limits on heat-trapping carbon pollution from future power plants. It's part of the GOP's election-year strategy to fight back against what Republicans call a "war on coal" by the Obama administration.

The bill passed by a 229-183 vote. Ten Democrats, mostly from coal-producing states or the South, joined Republicans in support of it. Three Republicans opposed the bill.

A similar measure is pending in the Senate but faces a more difficult path.

"The Obama administration clearly wants to use its regulatory agenda to end coal-fired power generation in this country, but that is a pipe dream," said Rep. Mike Simpson, R-Idaho, noting that coal provides nearly 40 percent of the nation's electricity.

Rep. Ed Whitfield, R-Ky., called the EPA proposal "one of the most extreme regulations of the Obama administration. He said the proposed limits on carbon emissions would "make it impossible to build a new coal-fired power plant in America."

As a practical matter, no new coal plants are currently being considered because of competition from cheap natural gas. But Whitfield and other Republicans argue that could change if natural gas prices keep rising. In that case, utility companies should be able to "go out and build a coal-powered plant with reasonable regulations," said Whitfield, who chairs the House subcommittee on energy and power.

The Whitfield-sponsored House bill requires EPA to set carbon emissions standards based on technology that has been in use for at least a year. Republicans and some coal-state Democrats said the EPA rule is based on carbon-capturing technology that doesn't currently exist.

Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., denounced the legislation as "a science-denial bill" that would strip the EPA of its ability to block carbon pollution. He and other Democrats called the bill a blatant attempt to thwart the EPA and vilify the Obama administration in an election year.

The White House has threatened to veto, saying the bill would "undermine public health protections of the Clean Air Act and stop U.S. progress in cutting dangerous carbon pollution from power plants." Power plants account for about one-third of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to global warming.

EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy and other officials have said the proposed rule — the first of two major regulations aimed at limiting carbon pollution from power plants — is based on carbon reduction methods that are "technically feasible" and under development in at least four sites. The rule affecting future plants is a prelude to a more ambitious plan, expected later this year, to curb carbon pollution from existing power plants.

"We looked at the data available. We looked at the technologies," McCarthy told the Senate Environment Committee in January. "We made a determination that (carbon capture and storage technology) was the best system for emission reductions for coal facilities moving forward, because it was technically feasible and it would lead to significant emission reductions."

Whitfield and other critics dispute that, saying carbon capture technology is years away from being commercially viable.

A Senate bill sponsored by Sen. Joe Manchin, D-W.Va., would require the EPA to set standards on based on commercially available technology.

Manchin's approach has drawn support from other Democrats who represent energy-producing states, including Sens. Joe Donnelly, of Indiana, Heidi Heitkamp, of North Dakota, and Mary Landrieu, of Louisiana. Landrieu faces a tough re-election fight in a state where both Obama and the EPA are unpopular.

A spokesman for Manchin said Thursday that the senator plans to meet with Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid and other Democrats to discuss a path forward, but did not offer a timetable.

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
BiciAm	1348918	17.35	+.10
iShEMkts	786159	40.03	+.56
S&P500ETF	727678	188.18	+.43
iShJapan	583604	11.72	+.22
SPDR Fncl	415012	22.27	+.07

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Cyan n	3.98	+.66	+19.9
ChinEmkt	2.77	+.36	+14.9
LightBio n	9.19	+1.09	+13.5
ZucanFash	2.12	+.25	+13.4
StageStrs	22.36	+2.61	+13.2

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
VersoPap	2.41	-.42	-14.8
SwEBioFu23	8.02	-1.18	-12.8
ETfRiskOff	16.12	-1.74	-9.7
USEC rs	4.04	-.36	-8.2
WuXi	36.13	-3.24	-8.2

DIARY

Advanced	1,759
Declined	1,328
Unchanged	105
Total issues	3,192
New Highs	262
New Lows	5
Volume	3,292,802,665

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
VantageDrl	130516	1.76	...
RexahnPh	77750	1.44	-.02
InovioPhm	67432	3.51	-.07
NovaGld g	57630	4.31	+.26
CastleBr	54037	1.32	+.25

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Crexendo	3.69	+.32	+9.5
MexcoEn	9.75	+.73	+8.1
NavideaBio	2.00	+.15	+8.1
SwGA Fn	13.20	+.93	+7.6
OrientPap	2.71	+.18	+7.3

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SparkNet	4.66	-1.09	-19.0
ZBB En rs	2.08	-.32	-13.3
ERBA Diag	2.69	-.25	-8.5
ConsEP	2.64	-.18	-6.4
AmpioPhm	6.88	-.45	-6.1

DIARY

Advanced	221
Declined	181
Unchanged	26
Total issues	428
New Highs	32
New Lows	1
Volume	174,023,037

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Staples	609312	11.35	-2.05
SiriusXM	459719	3.56	+.01
FuelCellE	457638	2.99	-.14
Facebook	447797	70.84	-.73
MicronT	302737	24.77	-.05

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ChinaPStl	3.05	+1.48	+94.3
Pixelworks	9.00	+4.20	+87.5
EnrgyRec	6.49	+1.74	+36.6
AgiosPh n	39.93	+8.29	+26.2
Sky-mobi	9.18	+1.76	+23.7

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
NewLead rs	4.14	-1.80	-30.3
xG Tech n	3.65	-1.33	-26.7
CrssCtryHl	8.16	-2.30	-22.0
EveryWare	4.29	-1.17	-21.4
NwstBio wt	3.90	-.85	-17.9

DIARY

Advanced	1,359
Declined	1,248
Unchanged	102
Total issues	2,709
New Highs	228
New Lows	9
Volume	2,082,153,438

Albertsons parent Cerberus to buy Safeway

Associated Press

PLEASANTON, Calif. — Safeway says it has agreed to be acquired by an investment group led by Cerebus Capital Management, the owner of Albertsons and several other supermarket chains.

The acquisition is worth about $7.64 billion in cash, and pending other transactions could top more than $9 billion.

It comes amid consolidation in the supermarket industry, which faces growing competition from big-box retailers, specialty chains, drug stores and even dollar stores.

Cerberus bought five chains including Albertson's and Jewel-Osco from Supervalu Inc. last year. Kroger Co. also recently snapped up regional chain Harris Teeter.

Safeway shareholders will receive $32.50 per share in cash. Pending other deals, the company says the deal is worth roughly $40 per share to stockholders.

Shares of Pleasanton, Calif.-based Safeway Inc. closed at $39.47 Thursday.

Commodities end mostly higher; gold, silver up

Commodities futures ended mostly higher Thursday.

Natural gas futures jumped 3 percent as supplies fell more than expected.

Natural gas gained 14 cents to close at $4.66 per 1,000 cubic feet Thursday after the Energy Department said supplies fell by 152 billion cubic feet last week to 1.2 trillion cubic feet.

Analysts surveyed by Platts expected a drop of 135 billion to 139 billion cubic feet.

The nation's supplies of natural gas are 39 percent below where they were a year ago.

In other energy futures, U.S. crude oil for April delivery rose 11 cents at $101.56 a barrel, and wholesale gasoline rose 1 cent to $2.95 per gallon.

Heating oil fell 1 cent to $2.98 per gallon.

In other commodities trading, gold rose $11.50 to $1,351.80 an ounce. Gold, considered to be a "safer" investment by some traders, has risen 2 percent this week as the tensions in Ukraine escalated.

May silver rose 30 cents to $21.57 an ounce.

Platinum for April delivery gained $10.20 to $1,486.80 an ounce.

Palladium for June rose $8.30 to $781.15 an ounce.

Copper edged up two cents to $3.22 per pound.

Agricultural futures rose slightly.

Corn for May delivery rose nine cents to $4.91 a bushel.

Wheat for the same month rose three cents to $6.46 a bushel. Soybeans for May rose 17 cents to $14.38 a bushel.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $97.95 Up 1.39

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $121.81 Up 0.96

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $28.71 Up 0.16

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $62.76 Down 1.28

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $26.75 Down 0.29

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $9.75 Up 0.73

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $34.34 Up 2.04

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $14.65 Up 0.43

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.84f	10	32.34	+.21	-8.0
Abraxas	...	37	3.31	+.03	+1.5
AdamsEx	.84e	...	13.08	+.06	+.1
Alcoa	.12	37	12.06	-.04	+13.5
AlonUSA	.24a	16	13.63	+.27	-17.6
Ambev n	...	...	7.25	+.02	-1.4
AmAirl n	...	...	38.81	+.95	+53.7
Amgen	2.44	19	124.19	-2.00	+8.9
Anadarko	.72	55	86.52	+1.11	+9.1
Apache	1.00f	15	79.52	+.51	-7.5
ApldMatl	.40	50	19.38	+.21	+9.8
ATMOS	1.48	17	45.76	-.21	+.8
AutoData	1.92	27	78.03	+.31	-3.4
BP PLC	2.28	11	48.79	-.03	+.4
BabsCOInv	1.20	...	15.90	-.41	+6.5
BakrHu	.60	25	63.48	+.44	+14.9
BlcfAm	.04	17	17.35	+.10	+11.4
B iPVix rs	...	...	42.97	-.23	+1.0
BasicEnSv	...	...	23.29	-.29	+47.6
BerkHa A	...	17182175.00		+3520.00	+2.4
BlkHillsCp	1.56f	25	58.73	-.45	+8.0
BritySq	1.44	36	55.56	-1.05	+4.5
BrcdeCm	...	15	10.20	+.19	+15.1
BrownFA	1.16	32	87.48	+1.23	+18.8
BrownFB	1.16	30	88.20	+1.09	+16.7
CVS Care	1.10	20	73.22	+.04	+2.3
Cameron	...	22	63.11	+.85	+6.0
Caterpillar	2.40	18	97.60	+1.23	+7.5
Celestic g	...	18	9.91	...	-4.7
CntryLink	2.16	...	31.19	-.13	-2.1
ChesEng	.35	38	25.52	+.02	-6.0
Chevron	4.00	10	114.85	+.42	-8.1
Chicos	.30	20	16.51	+.04	-12.4
CienaCorp	...	...	24.46	-.90	+2.2
Cimarex	.64f	24	112.09	-.83	+6.8
Cisco	.76f	14	21.82	-.05	-2.0
Citigroup	.04	11	49.71	+.29	-4.6
ClayEng	...	...	97.95	+1.39	+19.5
CocaCola	1.22f	20	38.47	+.12	-6.9
ColgPalm s	1.36	26	63.02	+.40	-3.4
ConAgra	1.00	16	29.14	+.16	-13.5
ConchoRes	...	61	121.81	+.96	+12.8
ConocoPhil	2.76	11	66.39	+.09	-6.0
Corning	.40	14	19.54	-.12	+9.7

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
CrackerB	3.00	19	98.72	-.42	-10.3
CSVInvNG	...	...	3.26	-.18	-63.1
CrosTim	2.44e	13	30.00	+.09	+2.0
DCP Mid	2.93f	37	49.88	...	-.9
DTE	2.62	19	70.35	-.55	+6.0
Datarm rs	...	...	3.69	+.19	+41.9
Dawson	.32	23	28.71	+.16	-15.1
DevonE	.96f	...	64.52	+.05	+4.3
Disney	.96f	23	83.34	+.66	+9.1
DowChm	1.48f	14	49.78	-.13	+12.1
DryShips	...	...	4.02	-.12	-14.5
E-CDang	...	...	17.93	+.08	+87.7
EMC Cp	.40	20	26.93	+.01	+7.1
EOG Res	1.00f	24	191.06	+.57	+13.8
EmpDist	1.02	16	23.54	+.02	+3.7
Energen	.60f	29	81.40	-.82	+15.1
EngyTsfr	3.68f	...	55.30	-.63	-3.4
EnPro	...	51	72.80	+.18	+26.3
EntPrPt	2.80f	24	67.23	-.51	+1.4
Ericsson	.43e	...	13.05	+.05	+6.6
ExterranH	.80	22	40.84	+.47	+19.4
ExxonMbl	2.82	10	93.76	-.04	-7.4
Facebook	...	...	70.84	-.73	+29.6
FordM	.50f	12	15.67	+.04	+1.6
ForestOil	...	11	1.81	-.04	-49.9
FuelCellE	...	...	2.99	-.14	+112.1
GATX	1.32f	18	55.86	+.31	+26.1
GabMultiT	.88	...	11.32	+.05	-8.8
GAInv	2.10e	...	35.13	+.02	-.2
GenElec	.88	18	26.22	+.29	-8.5
GenMotors	1.20	15	37.54	+.02	-8.1
GileadSci	...	44	79.92	-2.95	+6.4
GtPlainEn	.92	16	25.93	-.18	+7.0
Groupon	...	...	8.52	-.05	-27.6
HalconRes	...	...	4.06	-.01	+5.2
Halliburtn	.80	20	56.92	+.73	+12.2
iShBrazil	1.44e	...	41.28	+.45	-7.8
iShJapan	.13e	...	11.72	+.22	-3.5
iShChinaLC	1.02e	...	35.38	+.37	-7.8
iShEMkts	.86e	...	40.03	+.56	-4.2
IS Eafe	1.70e	...	66.03	+.70	+1.4
iShR2K	1.41e	...	119.74	-.02	+3.6
IntegrysE	2.72	15	58.23	-.46	+3.3
Intel	.90	13	24.69	+.13	-6.1

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InterDig	.40	35	32.12	+.62	+8.9
JPMorgCh	1.52	14	58.90	+.74	+1.4
JohnJn	2.64	19	92.89	+.30	+1.4
Keycorp	.22	14	13.64	+.28	+1.6
KimbClk	3.38f	20	109.39	+.75	+4.7
KindME	5.44f	28	75.52	+.03	-6.4
KindMM	5.44f	40	70.93	-.09	-6.3
Kinross g	...	...	4.99	-.07	+13.9
Kroger	.66	15	43.37	-.31	+9.7
LegacyRes	2.36f	...	26.75	-.29	-5.0
Lubys	...	47	6.54	-.01	-16.3
MktVGold	19e	...	26.79	+.29	+26.8
McDnlds	3.24	17	95.58	+.56	-1.5
Merck	1.76	39	57.26	+.38	+14.4
MeritMed	...	38	14.83	-.14	-5.8
MexcoEn		98	9.75	+.73	+41.3
MicronT		16	24.77	-.05	+13.9
Microsoft	1.12	14	38.15	+.04	+2.0
Nabors	16	49	23.09	+.18	+35.9
NatGrid	3.17e	...	69.36	-.21	+6.2
NOilVarco	1.04	14	78.23	+.75	-1.6
NvdiaAd	.80e	...	12.99	-.16	+6.9
NvPtll	.96	...	13.35	-.06	+7.1
NuvPf	.96	...	19.11	-.12	+6.3
NSTFI3	.63e	...	13.51	-.12	+4.9
NTXCI	.70e	...	13.62	+.01	+6.0
OcciPet	2.80f	13	99.27	+.14	+1.2
OfficeDpt	...	...	4.63	-.28	-12.5
Oracle	.48	17	39.46	-.04	+3.1
Pandora	...	...	37.23	-2.20	+40.0
ParTech	...	...	5.16	+.01	-6.3
ParkDrl	...	30	7.26	+.05	-3.3
PattUTI	.40f	23	20.58	+.50	+16.7
Penney	...	...	8.64	+.34	-5.6
PennaRE	.80	...	18.38	-.47	-3.3
PeregrinP	...	...	2.61	-.21	+87.8
Pmian	.67e	15	12.89	-.18	+.2
Petrobras	.27e	...	11.18	+.16	-18.9
Pfizer	1.04f	16	32.46	-.29	+8.0
PioNtrl	.08	...	198.32	-.55	+7.7
Pixelwrks	...	...	9.00	+4.20	+86.7
PlainsAAP	2.40f	18	54.01	-.53	+4.3
PlugPowr h	...	...	6.36	-.39	+310.3
PwShs QQQ	1.25e	...	90.96	-.08	+3.4
Praxair	2.60f	22	130.83	+1.29	+.8

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
PrmEgy	...	11	55.01	+5.45	+8.9
ProctGam	2.41	21	78.06	+.24	-4.1
RangeRs	.16	...	84.23	+.82	-.1
RegionsFn	.12	14	10.83	+.10	+9.5
RiteAid		...	6.64	-.09	+31.2
Rowan		16	33.52	+.12	-5.2
RoyDShllA	3.60	9	72.63	-.33	+1.9
SpdrDJIA	3.60e	...	164.09	+.74	-.8
S&P500ETF	3.35e	...	188.18	+.43	+1.9
SabnR	3.90e	13	49.93	+.28	-1.2
Safeway	.80	3	39.47	-.01	+21.2
SanderFm	.80	10	75.44	-.79	+4.3
SandRidge	...	...	6.22	-.05	+2.5
Sapient	...	32	17.51	-.07	+.9
Schlmbrg	1.60f	18	92.75	+.74	+2.9
SigmaAld	.92f	23	94.25	+.10	+.3
SiriusXM	...	59	3.56	+.01	+1.9
Smucker	2.32	18	97.63	-.80	-5.8
Sprint n	...	...	8.88	-.24	-17.4
SP HlthC	.83e	...	59.60	-.37	+7.5
SPDR Fncl	.32e	...	22.27	+.07	+1.9
SP Util	1.46e	...	39.87	-.20	+5.0
Staples	.48	15	11.35	-2.05	-28.6
SunEdison	...	...	21.09	+.12	+61.6
SunocoLog	2.65f	25	62.59	+.14	+9.4
TaiwSemi	.50e	...	18.67	+.48	+8.2

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
TelefEsp	.47e	...	15.79	+.43	-3.4
Tesoro	1.00	17	53.55	+1.81	-8.5
3M Co	3.42f	20	134.08	+.23	-4.4
Torchmark	.58	14	79.40	+.72	+1.6
TriContl	.68e	...	20.11	+.01	+.7
TrinaSolar			18.19	+1.89	+33.1
21stCFoxA	.25		34.34	+.40	-2.4
TylerTech	...	82	93.19	-1.07	-8.8
UBWV	1.28	18	29.98	-.03	-4.7
US NGas			25.70	+.40	+24.2
Vale SA	.78e		13.74	-.01	-9.9
ValeroE	1.00f	10	52.88	+2.60	+4.9
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WhitingPet		16	70.83	+.58	+14.5
WmsCos	1.61f	50	42.65	+.20	+10.6
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16,588.25	14,030.37	Dow Jones Industrials	16,421.89	+61.71	+.38	-.93	+14.60
7,591.43	5,878.12	Dow Jones Transportation	7,559.96	+70.31	+.94	+2.15	+24.31
537.88	462.86	Dow Jones Utilities	512.56	-2.37	-.46	+4.48	+5.27
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Generally located on the north side of W. Loop 250 North, approximately 450 feet east of Billingsley Boulevard.

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Legal & Public Notices

The City Council of the City of Midland, Texas will hold a public hearing at 10:45 a.m. on Tuesday, March 25, 2014 in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 300 North Loraine, on a request by Chipotle Texas, LLC dba Chipotle Mexican Grill for a Specific Use Permit with Term for the sale of all alcoholic beverages, for on-premises consumption, in a restaurant, on the following property: On Lot 21, Block 5, North Park, Section 16, City and County of Midland, Texas.

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The City Council of the City of Midland, Texas will hold a public hearing at 10:39 a.m. on Tuesday, March 25, 2014 in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 300 North Loraine, on a request by Melissa A. Young dba The Hemingway for a Specific Use Permit with Term for the sale of beer and wine only, for on-premises consumption, in a retail tobacco store on the following property: On a 6,642 square foot portion of land out of Lot 1, less the 120 feet by 150 feet, Block 1, Myatt Addition, City and County of Midland, Texas.

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Legal & Public Notices

The City Council of the City of Midland, Texas will hold a public hearing at 10:51 a.m. on Tuesday, March 25, 2014 in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 300 North Loraine, on a request by Richard Tatsch / T&S Builders for a zone change from PD, Planned District for a Housing Development to an Amended Planned District on the following described property: On Block 14, Block 4D and a 0.103-acre portion of Wadley Avenue Service Road, Highland Park Townhouses, 2nd Section, City and County of Midland, Texas.

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Legal & Public Notices

Notice of Application for Oil & Gas Waste Disposal Well Permit

PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES, 5205 N. O'CONNOR BLVD, IRVING, TEXAS 75039 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation not productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the San Andres, Milliken "C" Lease, Well Number 3D. The proposed disposal well is located 6.8 miles SE of Midland, in the Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, in Midland County. The waste water will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 4400 to 5100 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 78711 (Telephone) 512/463-6792).

Legal & Public Notices

The City Council of the City of Midland, Texas will hold a public hearing at 10:36 a.m. on Tuesday, March 25, 2014 in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 300 North Loraine, on a request by David Miller for a zone change from PD, Planned District for a Housing Development to an Amended Planned District on the following described property: On Lot 21, Block 3, Wydewood Estates, Section 33, City and County of Midland, Texas.

Generally located on the south side of W. Wadley Avenue, approximately 140 feet west of Whittle Way.

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Legal & Public Notices

APPLICATION HAS been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Wine and Beer Retailer's OFF-Premise permit by Abraham Torres, LLC dba Runway Convenience Store, to be located at 7720 W. Hwy 80, County of Midland, Texas. Officer of said company is Abraham Torres, President.

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NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN AIR QUALITY STANDARD PERMIT REGISTRATION

PROPOSED AIR QUAUTY REGISTRATION NO. 117368L001

APPLICATION 4 J Concrete, LLC has applied to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) for an Air Quality Standard Permit, Registration No. 117368L001, which would authorize construction of a concrete batch plant located at 6500 East County Road 67, Midland, Midland County, Texas 79705. This link to an electronic map of the site or facility's general location is provided as a public courtesy and not part of the application or notice. For exact location, refer to application. http://www.tceq.texas.gov/assets/public/hb610 lindex.html?lat=32.05278&lng=-101.983712&zoom=13&type=r. The proposed facility will emit the following air contaminants: particulate matter including (but not limited to) aggregate, cement, road dust, and particulate matter with diameters of 10 microns or less and 2.5 microns or less.

This application was submitted to the TCEQ on February 6, 2014. The application will be available for viewing and copying at the TCEQ central office, the TCEQ Midland regional office, and the Midland County Library, Centennial Branch, 2503 West Loop 250, Midland, Midland County, Texas, beginning the first day of publication of this notice. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the Midland regional office of the TCEQ.

The executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application.

PUBLIC COMMENT /PUBLIC MEETING You may submit public comments, a request for a public meeting, or request a contested case hearing to the Office ofthe Chief Clerk at the address below. The TCEQ will consider all public comments in developing a final decision on the application. **The deadline to submit public comments is 15 days after newspaper notice is published.** After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the TCEQ's jurisdiction to consider in the permit process.

The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or ask questions about the application. A public meeting about the application will be held if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

If only comments are received on the application, the response to comments, along with notice of the executive director's action on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted comments or is on the mailing list for this application.

The executive director will complete the technical review, issue a preliminary decision on the application, and a Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments. If a hearing request is timely filed in Response to this Notice of Receipt of Application and Intent to Obtain Air Permit, the time period for requesting a contested case hearing will be extended to thirty days after the mailing of the executive director's response to comments.

After the final deadline for public comments following the Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. If any comments are received, the response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will then be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who is on a mailing list for this application, unless the application is directly referred to a contested case hearing.

OPPORTUNITY FORA CONTESTED CASE HEARING You may request a contested case hearing. The applicant or the executive director may also request that the application be directly referred to a contested case hearing after technical review of the application. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in state district court. Unless a written request for a contested case hearing is filed within 15 days from this notice, the executive director may approve the application. **If no hearing request is received within this 15-day period, no further opportunity for hearing will be provided.** A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on those issues raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

A person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from the facility is entitled to request a hearing. To request a hearing, a person must actually reside in a permanent residence within 440 yards of the proposed plant. If requesting a contested case hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or for a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) applicant's name and Registration Number; (3) the statement "[Ifwe] request a contested case hearing;" (4) a specific description of how you would be adversely affected by the application and air emissions from the facility in a way not common to the general public; (5) the location and distance of your property relative to the facility; and (6) a description of how you use the property which may be impacted by the facility. If the request is made by a group or association, the one or more members who have standing to request a hearing, and the interests which the group or association seek to protect, must also be identified. Requests for a contested case hearing must be submitted in writing within 15 days following this notice to the Office of the Chief Clerk, at the address below.

Following the close of all applicable comment and request periods, the executive director will forward the application and any requests for contested case hearing to the Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting. **If a hearing is granted, the subject of a hearing will be limited to disputed issues of fact relating to relevant and material air quality concerns raised during the comment period.** Issues such as property values, noise, traffic safety, and zoning are outside of the Commission's jurisdiction to address in this proceeding.

MAILING LIST In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices for this specific application mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk by sending a written request to the Office of the Chief Clerk at the address below.

AGENCY CONTACTS AND INFORMATION Public comments and requests must be submitted either electronically at www.tceq.texas.gov/aboutjcomments.html, or in writing to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, Office ofthe Chief Clerk, MC-105, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. If you communicate with the TCEQ electronically, please be aware that your email address, like your physical mailing address, will become part of the agency's public record. For more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the Public Education Program toll free at 1-8oo-687-4040. Si desea informacion en Espafiol, puede Hamar al1-800-687-4040.

Further information may also be obtained from 4 J Concrete, LLC, 6112 North State Highway 349, Midland, Texas 79705-2010 or by calling Mr. Alejandro Jordan, Manager at (432) 661-4326.

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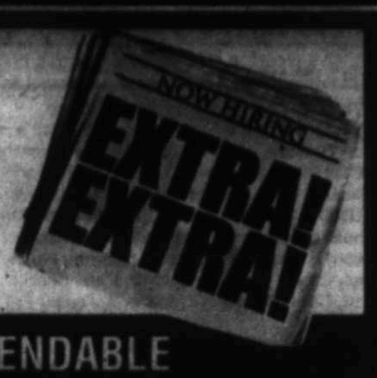
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Mrs. Irene's Child Care FT/PT
Need Full and Part-time Child Care Workers.
Will train. Starting wages $10-$11/ hour.
Paid holidays and vacation. Call 432-520-8888.

Teacher with Leadership Qualities

Great hourly pay! Loving? Responsible? Honest? Take pride in self/work? No Nights & weekends. HS Diploma & background check. Call 432-684-8270 for interview. Cottage of Mama Bear

ENERGY & UTILITIES

Entry Level Helpers

Production Lift Systems FT
Local oilfield service company seeking **Entry Level Wireline** and **Swabbing Helpers**. Full benefits. Must have a valid driver's license and pass drug test. Apply at 14 **East Industrial Loop Midland, TX 79701** or call **432-699-1200.**

Multiple Positions

Nolan H. Brunson/SLS is looking for experienced **Pushers, Drivers, & Swampers** for its Midland yard. We offer top competitive wages, health/vision/dental insurance, 401 K plan, paid holidays and vacations. Please apply in person **@ 2306 N. FM 1788.**

HEALTHCARE

All Positions

Looking for someone with experience, who knows OfficeMate, to work full time at Total Vision Center. Apply in person at Music City Mall 4101 E 42nd, Ste 106 or email resume to office@dradcoxtvc.com

Caregivers

Legacy Ranch
Midland, TX
Now Hiring experienced Caregivers, for all shifts to work with elderly clients in a professional environment. Apply in person at 4800 Briarwood Ave., Midland, Tx 79707

Dental Assistant

Sowders Dental Care
Growing, fast paced, upscale, cosmetic and general dental practice has the opportunity to add one more talented Dental Assistant. We have state of the art equipment and an excellent working environment. If you have the desire to become a member of our team please mail resume to PO Box 8870, Midland, TX 79708 or fax 432-682-6290
All applicants will be kept confidential

Housekeeper

Legacy Ranch FT
Midland, TX
Now Hiring FT Housekeeper to work with elderly clients in a professional environment. Apply in person at 4800 Briarwood Ave., Midland, Tx 79707

Laundry Aide

Legacy Ranch FT
Midland, TX
Now Hiring FT Laundry Aide to work with elderly clients in a professional environment. Apply in person at 4800 Briarwood Ave., Midland, Tx 79707

Medical Social Service Consultant

Martin County Hospital District is looking for a Medical Social Service Consultant for PRN Contract employment. Apply at 600 E. I-20, Stanton, Texas or send inquires or resume to pdority@martinch.org or contact Rance Ramsey 432-607-3207

Multiple Positions

Advanced Neuroscience Clinic FT
Hiring scheduler/receptionist LVN/RN and a Medical assistant, bilingual preferred. Experience preffered. **Bilingual Preferred.** Email your resume to Irma@brainanc.com or Call Irma 432-570-9991

Nurse

Legacy Ranch FT
Midland, TX
Now Hiring Nurse 2pm-10pm to work with elderly clients in a professional environment. Apply in person at 4800 Briarwood Ave., Midland, Tx 79707

RNs and LVNs for Su Casa Home Health

We are growing again! 2 full time **RN** positions & an **LVN** position with experience in home health. **Sign-On Bonus** for **RNs**. Full benefits package. Call **432-520-2556** or apply online at **www.sucasahomehealth.com.**

HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

General Manager

Insignia Hospitality Group
We are now accepting resume for energetic General Manager in Midland for the new Holiday Inn Express, apply at 5309 W. Loop 250 or email to amber@insigniamgmt.com.

HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

Multiple Positions

Midland's Premier Country Club FT/PT
Summertime is around the corner and it is that time again to hire seasonal employees to work our gorgeous new swimming pool! Remember, we hire attitude and personality over experience and we do offer a very competitive wage as well as. The following seasonal positions are: 22 Lifeguards (must be certified), 10 Pool Servers, and 6 Front Desk Personnel. If you are interested in having a fun-filled summer here at Midland Country Club please come by and complete an application at: Midland Country Club, 6101 N. Hwy 349, Midland, TX 79705.

Housekeepers & Laundry Attendants & Front Desk Clerks

LaQuinta Inn & Suites - Loop 250 & Hwy 191 FT/PT
Full time and part-time. Bilingual a Plus! Please Apply at LaQuinta Inn & Suites, Loop 250; Next to Kohl's

INSTALLATION & MAINTENANCE

MAINTENANCE

Villa Chateau Apartments Full time Maintenance needed. Must have own tools. Drug screen/Background check done. Apply in person at: Villa Chateau Apts., 1603 N. Midkiff Rd, Midland, TX 79701. No phone calls please.

LAW ENFORCEMENT & SECURITY

Security Guard

Finley Investigations & Security (Lic# C09211)
7500 N CR 1294, Midland, TX 79707.
Hiring now! Full-time security guards. Growing company. Retirees welcome. Safe environment. We will train. Competitive pay. Starting pay $10 - $12 per hour. 432-561-5660. tomfinley@oilfieldsecurity.com

MANAGEMENT & EXECUTIVE

CML EXPLORATION LLC

CML a privately held Exploration and Production company is seeking candidates for the following position located in Snyder, TX.

Safety Manager

Requirements & Responsibilities Include:

- **Strong Knowledge of O&G Safety Compliance**
- **CSHO Certifications Preferred**
- **Minimum 5 years' experience**
- **Traveling/Availability 24/7/365**
- **Pass Company Drug Screen**
- **Conduct Site Inspections**
- **Facilitate Drug & Alcohol Testing**
- **Training & Development of Personnel**
- **Basic Computer Skills**
- **Strong Communication Skills**

Compensation based on experience and benefits include health, life, disability, 401k and vacation. Submit resume to: PO Box 890 Snyder, TX 79550.

OTHER JOBS

Administrative Assistant

Large Church accepting applications for Administrative Assistant positions. Bachelor's degree preferred. Computer literacy required. Send resumes to hrdirector@firstmethodistmidland.com

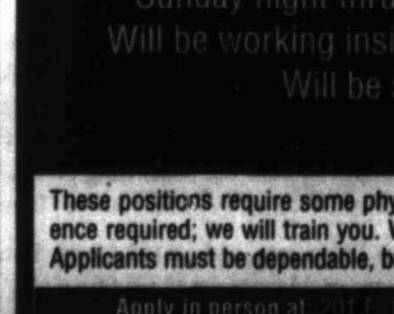
All Positions

The Midland RockHounds PT
The Midland RockHounds are accepting applications for part-time seasonal positions including Concessions, Ushers, Picnics, Clean-up, Press Box and Others. Apply in person at: Security Bank Ballpark, Monday-Friday 8am-5pm.

CARTER'S

Delivery Driver **Full-Time**
2101 W. Wadley #6 **Midland, TX 79705**
Delivery driver needed. Must have good driving record, able to pass drug testing, heavy lifting required. Must be 21 or older. Apply in person at Carter's Furniture, 2101 W. Wadley #6, Midland,TX 79705.

OTHER JOBS



Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR NIGHT TIME ASSOCIATE

Night time associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE
Must be able to count at a fast pace. Be able to work between the hours of 12-6 am Sunday night thru Friday night and be able to work Saturday night 8pm -4am. Will be working inside and outside depending on the job you are doing that night. Will be 5-6 nights per week. We will train the right person
Pay $10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required; we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and Social Security card with dependable transportation.

Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois, Lobby Information Desk • Monday-Friday 8-5 or email: jmaddox@cbtechs.com
NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE

mywesttexas jobs

http://www.mywesttexas.com/jobs

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OTHER JOBS

Direct Care Staff

Job Description
We are seeking energetic, youth oriented persons for part time/full time employment as a direct care staff working directly with children who have been removed from their families due to abuse or neglect. Children range in age from 0-17. This person should be at least 25 years of age, have a good driving record, valid driver's license, clear criminal history, drug screen, High School diploma or GED, ability to attend trainings as assigned, and preferred bachelor's degree.
Shifts Open: Part time weekend awake night position per week. Awake night hours are 10p-8a.
Part time evening/weekends position. 3p-11p weekdays and 8a-11p weekends. Please contact Shawna Bowerman by email only at shawnab@highsky.org.

GUARDIAN BUILDING Products, a large national distributor of building materials, has an opening in ODESSA TX for a full time Warehouse Worker
o Forklift experience required
o Building materials experience preferred
o Dependable, punctual, safety minded
o Must have valid Driver's License
o Must have toed boots with minimum of 6" ankle coverage that meets the ASTM standard of F2413-05
o Competitive pay
o Excellent benefits
Equal Opportunity Employer
Applications will be accepted from 8AM TO 4PM Monday- FRIDAY
Guardian Building Products 1705 w 2nd Odessa Tx 79763

Gym Staff Members & CDL Bus Driver

The Boys & Girls Club of Midland seeking afternoon Gym Staff Members PT, M-F 3-6. Also seeking CDL Bus Driver, 2 hours per day at $25/hour. Call Michael between 1-3 or 6-8 only. 432-683-0050 .

Janitorial Help Needed

Want to be part of a small crew or work part time during the day? Perfect for retired or semi retired person. Apply at 1307 N. Big Spring.

JOB FAIR

Wednesday, April 9
10am - 3pm
Midland Center, 105 N Main St

Over 60 businesses from all industries will be interviewing and hiring job seekers.

Call 687-8814 for more information.
Hosted by The Midland-Reporter-Telegram.

PIPEYARD SUPERVISOR

United Casing, Inc.
Requirements: Knowledge of oilfield casing & tubing; 3-5 years experience. Must be able to work extended hours (weekends on-call) and handle high volume (trucks, production lines, inventory) in a fast paced environment. Knowledge of Microsoft applications (Word, Excel, Outlook). Must be able to schedule all yard functions: trucks, employees, thread lines, etc. Pay rate based on skills and experience. Send all inquiries and resumes to **bquigley@unitedcasing.com** or bring to **3610 E. Highway 158, Midland. Qualified Applicants Only.**

Resident Monitor, Relief Cook, Administrative Clerk

Dismas Charities FT/PT
Midland, TX 79701
Dismas Charities is hiring Full-time, Part-time & relief staff for the positions of Resident Monitor, Administrative Clerk and Relief Cook (part-time, up to 25hrs/wk $9.64/hr + $3.81). Walk-in applicants are welcome at: 24 W. Industrial Loop.

SHIPPING / RECEIVING CLERK

United Casing, Inc.
Requirements: Knowledge of oilfield casing & tubing; 3-5 years experience, excellent data entry skills; knowledge of Microsoft applications (Word, Excel, Outlook). Must be able to work extended hours (weekends on-call) and handle high volume paperwork flow. Pay rate based on skills and experience. Send all inquiries and resumes to **bquigley@unitedcasing.com** or bring to **3610 E. Highway 158, Midland. Qualified Applicants Only.**

SSC - Social Services Coordinator

Dismas Charities is now hiring full-time **Social Services Coordinator**. Apply at **www.dismas.com**.

UNLOADERS

Capstone Logistics is hiring for **unloaders** to work 1st and 3rd shift. Pay Avg. $14/hr. PLEASE Pre-Apply online at: **www.capstonelogistics.com** and search "REQUISITION"# 3015. Or call: **770-724-0531**. Be prepared to pass background and drug screening.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

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ACCOUNTANT:

Clayton Williams Energy, Inc., a publicly-traded oil and gas company in Midland, Texas is seeking a Revenue Accountant. Excel proficiency a must. Experience in the following areas also helpful: Horizon operating systems and CDEX, Texas, Louisiana and New Mexico severance tax reporting. This position demands an energetic individual who is conscientious, accurate and reliable. We are an equal opportunity employer and offer competitive salary with an excellent benefits package. Non-smoking environment.

Email resume to: hr@claytonwilliams.com.
or send to: Attn: Personnel,
Clayton Williams Energy, Inc.,
6 Desta Drive, Suite 6500
Midland, Texas 79705
No phone calls or agencies please.

Cleaning Help

Cleaning Service FT
Now taking applications for cleaning service. Please call 432-520-3707.

Shelter Case Manager

Shelter Case Manager: Full time position with benefits for High Sky Children's Ranch. Requires strong writing skills and the ability to develop a team focused on improving the lives of children's and meeting their behavioral and developmental needs. Must be able to self-manage a high volume of documentation requirements and meet deadlines as requested. Requires ability to do on call and work outside of regular business hours at times. Position requires a minimum of a Bachelor's Degree, preferably in the social service field, 2 years of full time work and supervisory experience with children, families, and staff. For a full job description please contact Shawna Bowerman at shawnab@highsky.org. Position closes on 03/31/14. No phone calls please.

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

All Positions

Cattle Baron FT
Accepting applications for **All Positions** between 2pm & 4pm Monday - Friday. No phone calls please. With competitive pay. Apply at: 418 West Wadley, Midland, Tx 79705.

DOMINO'S PIZZA is now hiring Delivery Drivers! We are looking for Awesome Team Members that want to earn cash daily! Delivery drivers earn a great hourly wage while taking home their tips and delivery reimbursement daily! Do you like cash in your pocket? Have a vehicle with insurance? Have a decent motor vehicle record and background? Well this is the job for you! Not sure yet?

Email us at dominos@clearwire.net
with your name and phone number and we will call you to answer any question you may have before you decide to apply! We will make the hiring process as easy as possible for you! As always, come on down to any of our Midland/Odessa locations and apply at any time!
Or apply at www.indeed.com
EOE
(coming soon: company delivery vehicles for you to drive!
Apply today!)

SALES JOBS

Multi-Media Sales Consultant



The Midland Reporter-Telegram and mywesttexas.com advertising department is looking for a Multi-Media Sales Consultant. The ideal candidate will have a proven track record of personal sales successes, preferably in a newspaper/media environment. Some knowledge of the advertising industry would be helpful, but not required.

Duties for this position will include, but are not limited to selling advertising in all print publications of the Midland Reporter-Telegram and all online products including mywesttexas.com.

Qualifications & Skills:

- *Ability to work in a fast-paced, deadline oriented environment*
- *Excellent customer service and time management skills*
- *Highly organized with the ability to work independently with minimal supervision*
- *Detail-oriented with good communication, spelling and math skills*

The Hearst Corporation is one of the largest diversified communications companies. Its major interests include magazine, newspaper and business publishing, cable networks, television and radio broadcasting, Internet businesses and more. As an associate of the Midland Reporter-Telegram, you join more than 20,000 in the Hearst family. The Multi-Media Sales Consultant is a full-time, outside sales position. We offer a competitive compensation plan and benefits package, comprehensive training, mileage 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 are the one we are looking for, please send current resume to:

Jeri Houston, Advertising Sales Manager
Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois Avenue, Midland, TX 79701
or email to: jhouston@mrt.com

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SKILLED LABOR

Forklift Operator

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an opening in its Production Department for the Position of "Fork Lift Operator" and other duties as assigned.

JOB REQUIREMENTS:
- Ability to read and write
- Ability to lift up to 50 lbs.
- Ability to bend and reach overhead
- Ability to count accurately and do simple math
- Able to operate a forklift and willing to be certified
- Be reliable, responsible and able to follow instructions
- Capable of standing and walking for extended period of time
- Able to work in various environments that include winter and summer conditions.
- Must be able to work weekends when necessary

RESPONSIBILITIES:
- Accurate loading and unloading of printed materials in a safe and efficient manner
- Ensure material are efficiently/properly stacked and stored in appropriate and designated areas
- Perform other non-forklift duties when assigned

The Hearst Corporation is one of the largest diversified communications companies. Its major interests include magazines, newspapers and business publishing, cable networks, television and radio broadcasting, Internet businesses and more. As an associate of the Midland Reporter-Telegram, you join more than 20,000 in the Hearst family.

Send resume and salary requirements to: **John Maddox, Director of Production/Facilities**
c/o Midland Reporter Telegram - 201 E. Illinois St - Midland, TX 79701
Email to: jmaddox@hearstnp.com
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HEARST media services

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RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

Line Cook

Venezia Restaurant
Immediate opening for line cook. Apply in person at: 20 Plaza Oak Shopping Center, 2101 W. Wadley, Midland, TX.

Now Hiring 20 Warriors

Genghis Grill FT
Server, Host, Busser, Dishwasher, Grill Cook and Prep
Apply in person at 4517 N. Midkiff. EOE

Now Hiring

Lori's Cafe hiring cooks with experience required. $14 per hour.
Also hiring servers. Apply in person at 2201 W. Wall, Midland

Strawberry Fields Café has openings for motivated individuals with a great attitude and self starters. Great work environment, great management, pleasant customers. Part time and Full time positions are available. Apply in person at 2311 W Wadley Ave., Midland. Hours of operation are 9:00 am to 7:00 pm Monday thru Friday / 9:30 am to 7:00 pm on Saturday. We are closed on Sundays!

RETAIL JOBS

Julian Gold Now Hiring

Julian Gold is now hiring personnel for the **shipping/receiving dept** and the **cashier/customer service desk**. Must be detail oriented, have good communication skills, and be very customer service oriented. **Please** apply in person at **2101 W. Wadley, Ste. 16**

SALES JOBS

CASHIERS

Smoker's Outlet is looking for **Cashiers** in the Midland area. We offer competitive wages and a good work environment. Paid weekly. Go by your nearest **Smoker's Outlet** to apply.

Help Wanted at Pacific Kitchen and Home. $12-$15 hourly. Part time positions available in Customer Service and in Sales. Sales representatives have bonus potential every month. Weekend availability preferable, please apply at pacificsales.com under the career tab. Currently located inside Best Buy in Midland,TX.

Sales

Oil & gas service company looking for motivated sales people in the Permian Basin. 3 years minimum expirence required. Benefits available. Pay based on experience. Email resumes to resumes@cardinaloilfieldservices.com or fax to 903-723-0047

CARTER'S

Sales Person **Full-Time**
2101 W. Wadley #6 **Midland, TX 79705**
Commission sales, must be able to multitask. Detail oriented, connect with customers, and love furniture. Bring resume to Carter's Furniture at 2101 West Wadley, Suite #6 Midland, TX 79705.

SKILLED LABOR

MIDAS

IMMEDIATE OPENING!

Sales Associate

Must have experience in selling auto repairs and maintenance. Candidate must have excellent communication skills, hard work ethic, clean cut image, professional character and must be punctual and reliable. Great benefits.

EOE • Drug Free Workplace

432-638-1248
3301 W. Wall
midlandfieldsales@midas.com

Diesel Mechanic

Wanted: Experienced Diesel Mechanic to manage repair shop for oilfield service company. Must be familiar with heavy duty and medium duty trucks. CDL license is a plus. Competitive salary and benefits. Contact 832-530-5423.

Ditching/Trenching/CDL Driver

Local energy services company looking for Ditching/Trenching hands and CDL Driver with experience. **Must have a VALID Drivers license**. Starting pay DOE. Yard is located in Midland Texas. Serious inquiries only. Contact Shelly at 432-689-2240.

FIELD MECHANIC

Basin Engine and Pump
Field Mechanic needed for Industrial Oilfield Shop. Experience is required. Uniforms provided. Benefits package includes vacation, health insurance and retirement match savings. Salary depends on experience. Please submit resume by fax to **432-570-1115** or email to **shawn@basinengine.com**. Office **432-570-1114**. Applications may be filled out at **1914 South County Rd 1083-Midland, TX**.

JOURNEYMAN ELECTRICIAN & ELECTRICIAN

TankLogix. Excellent pay & benefits. Experienced with oilfield automation a plus. Valid Driver's License required. Email resume to: **jobs@tanklogix.com**

Kennel Tech/Vet Assistant

Apply in person at Town & Country Veterinary Hospital
3408 W Loop 250 North

Licensed Service Plumbers

RAINBOW PLUMBING now taking applications for LICENSED SERVICE PLUMBERS. Earn up to $24 per hour plus commission. 2 weeks paid vacation, holidays, health insurance, 401K plan, great benefits with a great company. Apply at: 5014 Andrews Hwy, Odessa, TX. Email resume to: Kelly@rainbowplumbinginc.com or Fax to: 432-334-0585 E.O.E.

MWD Shop Technician

Intrepid Services is currently seeking a **MWD Shop Technician**. Computer electronic / mechanical experience is a plus. Please email resumes to **employment@intrepid-dds.com**

PLANT OPERATOR

Coronado Midstream FT
Immediate opening for a **plant operator** at its MidMar West Gas Processing Facility. The facility utilizes compression, dehydration, amine sweetening, dew point control, and Cryogenic processing. This position requires working 12 hour rotating shifts. Interested applicants should submit a resume to: **bpittman@coronadomidstream.com**

PRESSMAN

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an immediate opening in its Production Department for the position of: PRESSMAN for our Harris N 1650 Printing presses.
This 5-6 day per week, fast paced, deadline oriented position, requires night shift/weekend work, with a strong emphasis on safety. The Midland Reporter-Telegram offers a full package of company benefits including 401K program. Salary DOE.
Send resume and salary requirements to:
John Maddox, Director of Production/Facilities
c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram 201 E. Illinois St., Midland, TX 79701. E-mail:jmaddox@hearstnp.com
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Project Superintendant &General Superintendant

Mid-Tex of Midland, Inc. Now hiring General Superintendent and commercial construction Project Superintendent. Competitive pay plus excellent benefits. Experience in commercial construction a must. Please send resumes to 5206 W. Wadley, Midland, Texas 79707 or you may fax your resume to 432-694-9827.

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

CDL Driver

Class A CDL Driver Needed!!!! Great work environment. Qualified Class A CDL driver, must have at least 1 year experience, able to pass pre-employment drug test and good work history. Also needing a swamper (driver helper) willing to train to become a driver and advance with the company. No experience needed must be 21 years of age. Please contact Tommy Neatherlin at 432-528-3695 for information.

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TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

CDL Drivers Class

Class A CDL Drivers needed preferably with Tandem experience in pumping unit installation. Top pay & benefits. 401K, Medical/ Dental Insurance, uniforms all provided by company after 90 days. Contact Dillon 432-559-5582

CDL Drivers for Vacuum Truck

NOW HIRING: Night Shift, CDL Drivers for Vacuum Truck (2 years' experience requested). Apply at 2400 S. Loop 250 West, Midland, TX (across from DPS)

Class A CDL Truck Drivers

Prefer drivers with Pneumatic Tanker experience. Benefits include: medical, life and dental insurance, and paid vacation. Applicants having experience hauling sand and/or dry cement helpful. Good driving record, DOT, drug & alcohol testing required. Apply in person, call **432-563-1894** for interview or online @ **www.rockwaterenergy.com**

DRIVERS

Drivers wanted to transport railroad crews in the Midland, TX area. Paid training, benefits, and company vehicle provided. Starting pay $12.00/hour. Applications accepted online only at www.ranzenberger.com.

DRIVERS

Local P&D Home Every Night & Linehaul Openings! Great Pay & Benefits! CDL-A w/X & T. 1yr Exp. Req. (EOE/AA) **Old Dominion Freight Line.** Call Vince Esquibel: 432-563-1405.

Truck Drivers

Bazco Petroleum Transport now hiring Full Time Drivers, Crude Transportation/ Tanker-Hazmat Endorsement/ Class A CDL. For more information call 1-877-41BAZCO

Vacuum Truck Driver

Midkiff Transports, Inc. — **Class A CDL Req.**
6601 FM 715, Midland — **Apply in Person**

Seeking Vacuum Driver. Must have good driving record and be able to pass drug test. Experienced applicants only. Competitive wages, paid health insurance/dependant, uniforms & retirement benefits. Call 432-682-2405 or apply in person.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

General

NEWSPAPER STREET CORNER SALES



Selling Newspapers On The Street Corners
(avg. income $50.00 - $100.00/day)

MUST BE AT LEAST 14 YEARS OLD
SUNDAYS ONLY
IF INTERESTED CALL
TOMMY 967-2267

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

Supplement your income by delivering newspapers for a few hours in the early mornings between 12:00am - 6:00am. The Midland Reporter-Telegram is currently seeking individuals who are interested in delivering newspapers in the residential areas in and around the City of Midland. If interested, MUST have a reliable vehicle, proof of automobile insurance in your name, a valid driver's license, must understand that this is a 7 day a week delivery commitment as an Independent Contractor.

THE PROFIT FOR THESE ROUTES IS ABOUT $650-$1,000 a month, depending on the size of the route. *This is a perfect way to generate the extra money you need.*

If interested in starting a newspaper route:
Please CALL CATHY at 432-687-9002 or stop by
The Midland Reporter-Telegram
201 E. Illinois Ave., Midland, TX 79701

Midland Reporter-Telegram Delivering it Every day.

DRC subscriptions sales are looking for energetic sales people (experience preferred) who can sell newspaper subscriptions at KIOSK locations throughout the Midland area. All positions are 100% commission. Interested in being an independent sales contractor

Call DANIEL at 210-605-5223 NOW



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Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Fred P. Landis, Deceased, were issued on March 6, 2014, in Cause No. P-17,791, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to Gary R. Landis, Independent Executor, whose residence address is 5413 Blackhawk Dr. Plano, Texas 75093.

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, in care of the Executor.

Dated the 6th day of March, 2014.

COTTON, BLEDSOE, TIGHE & DAWSON
A Professional Corporation
P.O. Box 2776
Midland, Texas 79702
(432) 684-5782
(432) 682-3672 (FAX)

By: Cory R. McDowell
State Bar No. 24051888

ATTORNEYS FOR
INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Independent Administration for the Estate of Patsy Jean Rowland, Deceased, were issued on March 6, 2014, in Cause No. P17408, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to Rex Dean Rowland.

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 **L. SHANE Stokes**
Attorney at Law
300 North Marienfeld, Suite 700
Midland, TX 79701

DATED the 6th day of March, 2014.

L. Shane Stokes
Attorney for Rex Dean Rowland
State Bar No. 19273500
300 North Marienfeld, Suite 700
Midland, TX 79701
Telephone: (432) 683-3351
Facsimile: (432) 683-8346

4WD & SUV

TOYOTA 2001 4Runner. Ltd. 180K miles. Clean, heated leather seats, sunroof. $4,500. Call 432-664-4605 for more info

Motorcycles

FOR SALE Harley custom shop 2013 Dyna street Bob 103 C.I. Less than 6000 miles. Immaculate condition. Paid $19,000 asking $13,000 OBO. 432-523-7025 or 505-697-2592



HARLEY DAVIDSON for sale by owner. 2007 Screaming Eagle Ultra Classic CVO Harley Davidsons absolute top of the line. Beautiful deep blue, 110 cu. 28,900 miles. Excellent condition, all the options and power of a 110 Screamin Eagle CVO. Books at $22,800. Sale price $19,800. Call Mike @ 432-664-6800

RVs

1998 HOLIDAY Rambler Endeavor. 34' Cummins motor and Allison transmission. One slide, great condition. 50K miles. $34,500. Call 432-638-9015

2003 CEDAR CREEK 5th Wheel, 2 ACs, Awning, 3 slides. $14,700, call 210-240-2041

FLEETWOOD 2006 Discovery 39L, Diesel, 4 slides, 17k miles $89,000. Call 432-631-9868

RVs

2004 39.5' Open Road, 5th wheel. 4 Slideouts (3 oversized) spacious front living room with sleeper sofa. Entertainment center new TV. Rear bedroom, new pillow top mattress 50 amp. Double air conditioners. Brand new tires. Gooseneck adapter. Washer/dryer hookups. Non-smoker. Excellent condition. REDUCED $15,000. 432-520-8222

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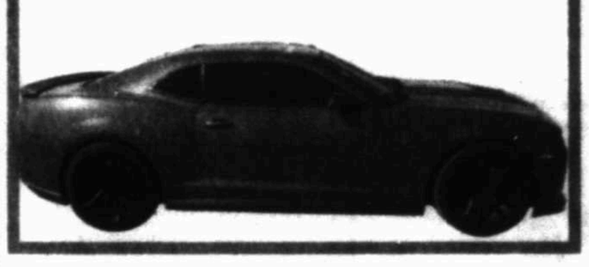
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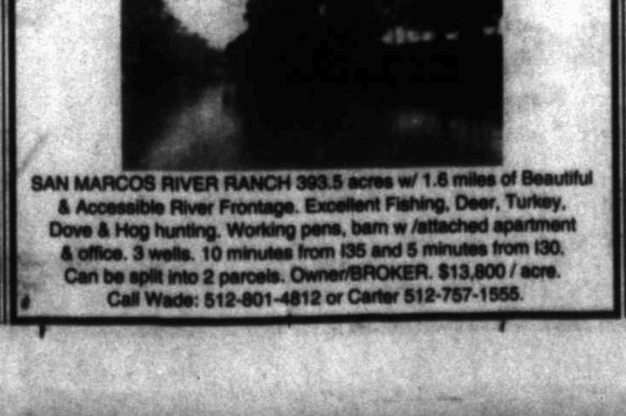
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