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Midland rents surge from last year, driven by oil

Market data shows price increase of at least 28.4 percent change year-over-year

By Simone Jasper
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As a mother of four, Tiffany Menefee said it was heartbreaking to constantly spend time at work and away from her children. As her apartment rent continued to climb, she had trouble making ends meet and needed to work more than one job.

"I felt bad because you pay so much rent," Menefee said. "And just to even try to keep up with it, you have to have two or three jobs. It takes so much time from your kids."

Menefee last year turned to the Buckner Family Pathways program, which provides housing and other services for single parents. She can now work one job while taking classes and learning skills to become self-sufficient.

Figures indicate Menefee may not be alone in experiencing rent increases. Data shows local apartment rents have increased 28.4 percent or more compared to this time last year.

Rental market

Median rents in Midland are $1,160 for one-bedroom units and $1,460 for two-bedroom units, according to the May report from Apartment List. The prices are up 1.8 percent over the past month and represent a 28.4 percent change year-over-year.

"So much of it is driven by cyclical booms and busts in the oil market," said Chris Salviati, a housing economist with Apartment List.

Salviati previously told the Reporter-Telegram that areas with jobs create demand for new housing and that prices rise when housing stock doesn't increase to meet that demand.

April marks the third straight month of

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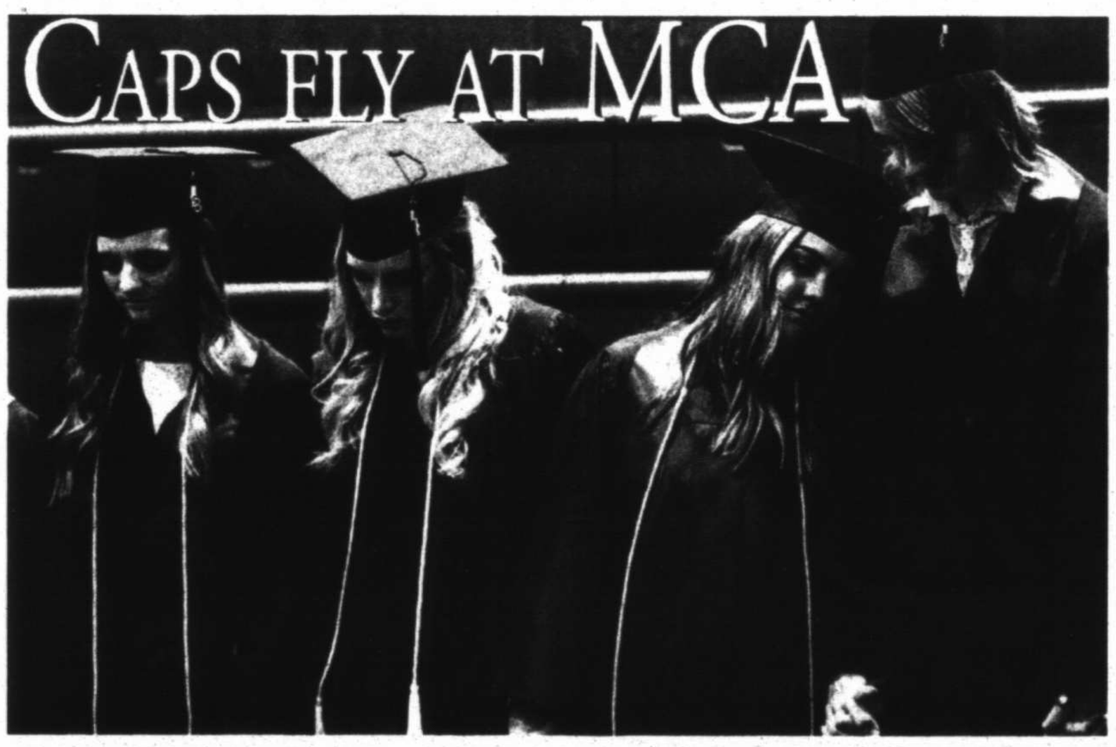

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Midland Classical Academy Class of 2018 graduated Saturday at the school. More photos will be published in a future edition and at mrt.com.

Micaela McDougall reacts to recieving her diploma.

TIPRO report highlights an industry on the rebound

By Mella McEwen
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U.S. oil and gas operators, and particularly those in Texas, learned the lessons taught by the oil price downturn and is reaping the benefits of those lessons.

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Service companies showcase technology that targets Permian formations.

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"It was the success and spirit of Texas operators. They drilled (amid high prices) and produced so much oil, it drove down the market," Ed Longanecker, president of the Texas Independent Producers and Royalty Owners association, said in a phone interview from his Austin office. "They got more efficient, they're doing more with less and being more innovative and efficient in drilling and completions."

With U.S. record production exceeding 10 million barrels a day for the first time in its history, the industry has officially rebounded from the downturn, he said in discussing the association's third edition of its "State of Energy" report.

"That's why we did this third edition of this report. We knew we had turned the corner, and we wanted to show the data and to show that we'd turned the corner and tell our story," he said.

The industry employed 832,777 in 2017, a gain of 3,000 jobs from 2016 and the first employment growth since 2014, according to the report. The average annual wage was $109,498 — 103 percent higher than the average private-sector wage. The industry payroll totals $91 billion, down 3 percent from 2016.

Texas led the way, with the industry employing 325,439, up slightly from 2016 and the first growth since 2014, Longanecker said. Texas oil and gas employment

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Attendees take a look at a model of a subsea structure at the Technip FMC booth during the 50th Offshore Technology Conference on Monday in Houston.

Oil industry job market hasn't caught fire yet as drillers are wary of recovery

By Collin Eaton
Houston Chronicle

Kris Schwendeman flung a leather satchel around his back and hiked across the vast showroom floor of the offshore industry's largest annual summit, offering handshakes, business cards and resumes in the hope that one of the hundreds of oil companies at Houston's NRG Park would hire an experienced geologist.

The unemployed offshore specialist is one of thousands of job seekers still working to return to an industry that only 18 months ago was shedding workers by the thousands as oil prices languished and corporate profits tumbled. As U.S. oil prices cruise above $65 a barrel, job seekers like Schwendeman converged on the Offshore Technology Conference, banking on the belief that things must have turned around by now.

They were wrong.

While oil field workers are getting snapped up for jobs in the booming shale plays of West Texas, the market for scientists, engineers and other knowledge — based professions that dominate Houston's energy workforce have yet to return in any significant numbers. Overall hiring in the oil and gas industry continues to lag behind the rise in oil prices, leaving skilled, experienced workers like Schwendeman to keep networking, passing out resumes and hoping for the phone to ring.

"It really hasn't picked up yet," said Schwendeman, who lives in Houston. "I'm just kind of going around and talking to people and seeing what lines of work they're in and hoping to apply that to what I do."

As Schwendeman demonstrates, job seekers who have pinned their hopes on the oil market recovery of the past few months are likely to have wait a while longer before companies start increasing the pace of hiring .While U.S. employment in oil and gas extraction is off its recent bottom — a decade low of 144,500 in December — the industry has recovered fewer than 6,000 of the nearly 60,000 jobs lost in oil downturn that began in mid—2014, according to the Labor Department.

In Houston, employment in oil and gas extraction — which encompasses exploration and production companies, but excludes energy services firms — is just reaching a bottom. In March, extraction companies shed another 2,000 jobs in Houston compared to year earlier, bringing total job losses during the downturn that began in 2014 to 20,000, decline of more than one—third, according to the Labor Department.

"There's a perception of recovery, but there's really no recovery at this point," said Ramesh Anand, president of American Personnel Resources in Houston. "It hurts me to see exceptionally qualified Ph.D.s who were talking to me two years ago still meet me today looking for a job."

Anand, who has recruited workers for the energy industry since the 1980s, said he's seen more leads for reservoir managers and other skilled professionals in the Middle East thah in the United States. Here, instead of combing professional publications, social media and conferences to find workers for oil companies, Anand is sifting through the thousands of resumes that have inundated his clients to help them find the most qualified candidates.

In the meantime, he has watched geologists give up on the industry, becoming financial advisors or finishing master's degrees in business.

It all comes down to the investment energy companies have made in oil and gas fields in Texas, the Gulf of Mexico and around the world. Even with recent U.S. tax cuts, which most companies returned to their shareholders, spending on oil field exploration and development is not growing enough yet to stir broad job market activity.

Oil companies, analysts added, also are reluctant to accelerate hiring out of worries that crude prices could quickly tumble again. Instead, they are turning to robotics, data analysis, artificial intelligence and other technologies to pump more oil with fewer workers. That's the biggest reason employment growth at oil explorers hasn't kept up with rising prices and rig counts.

Joshua Osagie, 20, of Nigeria was in high gear Wednesday afternoon in the NRG Arena, scouring the conference for a job he can take after he graduates with a petroleum engineering degree next year.

Looking for a position pretty much anywhere around the world, the young college student said he's eager to start working and finally see the massive tools of the offshore industry in action — machinery humming and whirring in the ocean, the real life version of what he's seen in videos and textbooks in school. But Osagie's efforts hit roadblocks at OTC.

Most exhibitors shooed him away, he said, directing him to online applications on their websites. Few companies had recruiters on site. If they did, Osagie acknowledged, they were probably looking for more experienced candidates. But Osagie still had his pitch ready.

"I don't have any experience," Osagie said, "but I want to get experience from you."

Some oilfield services companies such as Halliburton of Houston, which slashed its workforce by nearly 40 percent during the recent downturn, have hired back crews for rigs and hydraulic fracturing fleets in West Texas, where drillers are pumping at full tilt. Halliburton's headcount has risen from 50,000 in 2016 to 55,000 at the end of last year, with much of hiring concentrated in boomtowns of Midland and Odessa, near the Permian Basin, where the workforce has grown slowly and labor shortages have quickly materialized.

But oil companies and service firms that are hiring say fewer of the workers who lost jobs in the downturn are coming back to the industry. And with unemployment near historic lows, they also have found themselves competing for talent with other industries, including technology.

In an effort to become more competitive in the job market, Halliburton recently expanded its benefits package, increasing the number of days an employee can take to care for a sick family member and increasing paid maternity leave to up to 16 weeks and adding paid paternity leave benefits for eight weeks.

"We're losing people to Google and Amazon," said Mahesh Puducheri, global vice president of human resources at Halliburton Co. "We've got to be thinking about, 'What am I going to do to retain them?'"

By the numbers: oil vs tech

Median employee pay at Houston's biggest oil explorers and service companies

Schlumberger	$88,604
ConocoPhillips	$158,943
Halliburton	$79,636
Baker Hughes	$68,917
Occidental Petroleum	$115,552
EOG Resources	$146,016
Anadarko Petroleum	$160,251
National Oilwell Varco	$52,930
Apache	$145,954
Marathon Oil	$131,720

What about Exxon and Chevron?

Exxon	$161,562
Chevron	$137,849

Meanwhile, median employee pay at top technology companies...

Facebook	$240,430
Alphabet	$197,274
Netflix	$183,304
Twitter	$161,860
Salesforce	$155,284

Source: Regulatory filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission

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accounted for 39 percent of all oil and gas jobs nationwide in 2017.

More specifically, the Permian Basin led the way, he said.

"Your area is incredibly important to the state and to the country and to the industry," he said.

He said the Permian Basin was unique in that it saw the highest job growth in oil and gas support services, adding 22,346 support sector jobs from 2016 to 2017. And of those, he said, 3,790 — or 17 percent of those new jobs — were in Midland County. That brings to 12,216 the number of direct jobs concentrated in that one industry sector, he said. Odessa saw 2,000 new jobs in the support services sector, which he said had been hard hit by the downturn.

"If you take Midland out of the equation, you wouldn't have had job growth," he said.

"We'd always like to see 100,000 more high-paying, high-quality jobs," Longanecker said. "But it's a unique period in the evolution of the oil and gas industry. Oil and gas is one of the most innovative sectors there is. It's fascinating to see how it evolves and adapts. We'd like to add more jobs, but we're happy we turned a corner."

He said he is also happy to see what he called "death by a thousand cuts by a regulatory regime" that's now out of office and replaced by an administration that understands the importance of the industry.

Even so, the administration's proposed tariffs on steel and aluminum are a concern because they could add significant costs on operators and companies that rely on steel and aluminum, such as pipelines and service companies.

TIPRO has joined other industry associations in urging the administration to abandon, delay or expand exemptions in order to protect the industry.

The associations are also working to educate the administration on energy's role in global trade, especially as talks continue to renegotiate the North American Free Trade Agreement, he said.

"We've asked them to extend the tariff exemptions on Mexico and Canada while talks are ongoing," Longanecker said.

While TIPRO is primarily a state-focused organization, it also addresses national issues that affect the industry, such as trade and tariffs as well as the Endangered Species Act and proposed methane regulations, he said.

Statewide, infrastructure and water development are a focus, he said.

TIPRO supports efforts to provide more funds for energy-producing counties whose roads are being impacted by oil and gas truck traffic.

"The industry pays a significant amount in severance taxes; sadly, not all that is making its way back to the counties for road maintenance and for manpower, which is also an issue. Some of these counties don't have the manpower to repair and maintain those roads," he said. Texas voters have approved plans to withdraw funds from the rainy day fund — which is derived from severance, property and sales taxes and royalties paid by the oil and gas industry — for transportation needs and water development projects.

"Those dollars are paid by the oil and gas industry and should be more effectively used to address issues generated by oil and gas operators," he said.

Longanecker doesn't expect any significant legislation when the Legislature convenes in January, but he said he wants to see a fully funded Railroad Commission and additional funding for the TexNet seismic monitoring program.

"Texas has been the most proactive in funding and research to determine the causes of seismicity. (And) the Railroad Commission will be a key issue again. A fully funded and thriving Railroad Commission is vital for a vibrant oil and gas industry," he said.

He thinks workforce development will also be an issue. "That's also why we published this report. There is a shortage of talent, and we need to attract talent. So addressing workforce development will be a major issue."

THE ECONOMIST

M. Ray Perryman

Definition of 'digital' will change, but it will guide nation's economic future

Over the past two decades, we've gone digital. The development of the internet and related technologies and advances in communications have changed the way we live and work, affecting virtually every aspect of our daily routines. The digital segment of the economy has been growing much faster than the overall pace, but up until recently, there wasn't a good way to measure it.

Even if we can agree on a definition of the "digital economy," the rapid rate of change means that products important for a while become obsolete and new inventions come on the scene regularly. Even so, the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) recently tackled the challenge, seeking input from researchers, analysts, and experts to develop a measure of the digital segment of the economy.

The three major components of the BEA's defimtion are the digital-enabling infrastructure needed for a computer network to exist and operate (such as the internet, needed telecom equipment, and computer hardware and software); the digital transactions that take place using that system ("e-commerce"); and the content that digital economy users create and access ("digital media").

Between 2006 and 2016, the BEA estimates that the digital economy's real value added grew at an average annual rate of 5.6 percent, far faster than the overall economy's average pace of 1.5 percent. In 2016, the digital economy accounted for 6.5 percent of gross domestic product ($1.2 trillion) and 3.9 percent of employment (5.9 million jobs). This gap attests to the exceptional productivity found in this sector. Notably, the digital segment accounted for 6.7 percent of employee compensation. Employees working in the digital economy earned $114,275 in average annual compensation, substantially more than the overall average of $66,498 per worker.

This activity is scattered across a number of industries. For example, while we have long been able to track the numbers of certain occupations which are clearly digital (such as computer systems design and related services), now we can also look at those in retail who focus on e-commerce or individuals in broadcasting who are digitally focused.

Not only do jobs in the digital economy pay well, they are also becoming more numerous, with employment growth rates well above the national average. However, prices for digital economy goods and services have been falling thanks to technological advances and competition, which is contrary to the pattern of rising prices observed in most of the economy.

Understanding the digital economy is important to businesses, policymakers, consumers, job seekers, analysts, and others. Moreover, the competitiveness of the U.S. economy is integrally linked to this large and growing segment of the business complex. The definition will morph over time, but the dynamism will remain and no doubt guide much of our economic destiny.

Auto, home sales among highlights in latest Lubbock Economic Index Report

By Sarah Self-Walbrick
Lubbock Avalanche-Journal

It is a good time to invest in Lubbock, said Randy Laycock of Lubbock National Bank Thursday after the release of the most recent Lubbock Economic Index report.

"Things are still booming as far as the Lubbock economy goes," Laycock said.

In February, the index maintained by LNB saw a minuscule decrease, going from 152 in January to 151.9 the next month. The data point was up 2 percent from last February's 149.

The report showed differences in multiple categories, but nothing Laycock said is concerning coming off of record-breaking data in 2017.

RETAIL SALES:

General real spending per February sales tax receipts posted a 0.4 percent increase over last year.

The increase may not seem like much, Laycock said, but the long-term outlook is good. The taxable spending for the year ending in February 2018 is up a full percent compared to the previous 12 months, reads the report.

Retail sales topped over $491 million in February.

AUTO PURCHASES:

Dollars spent on auto purchases were significantly up for the month – almost 14 percent compared to last year. Over $68 million was spent on vehicles in February. Sales are also up for the year, at just over 12 percent.

Sales were sluggish last year, so the increase is a welcomed one, Laycock said. Auto sales have nationally seen an increase after a slow start to the year, according to Auto News.

TRAVEL:

Local hotels and motels brought in over $12 million in revenue in February, up a healthy 2.8 percent.

The Lubbock Preston Smith International Airport hosted 35,067 passengers in February, up almost 2 percent over last February. Passenger enplanements were up over 3 percent for the year.

CONSTRUCTION:

After record-breaking highs in recent years, the value of construction permits and number of new home permits posted negative differences over 2017.

The value of all construction permits was down 26 percent over Feb. 2017. Laycock said the total of well over $51 million is still impressive, but it is hard to compare to last year's data. Permit values are down 42 percent for the year.

New home permits showed an almost 19 percent decrease compared to last February, but are up almost 2 percent for the year. In February, 108 new home permits were issued; 248 permits had been issued year-to-date.

HOME SALES:

Lubbockites are not just building a healthy amount of new houses, they are buying existing ones, indicates the report.

The number of homes sold increased by almost 29 percent in February, with sales closing on 290 homes. Home sales are up 16 percent for the year with 514 sold.

The average home sale price is also up in the city. Homes sold for an average of $180,777, up nearly 4 percent compared to Feb. 2016. The average price in 2018 is $180,957.

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Things to do

Today

■ The Black/Gold Car Show will include children's activities, food and cash-only bar, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Pueblo Viejo, 104 S. Terrell St.

■ Fiesta West Texas with Perdidos de Sinaloa, La Energia Nortena, Fiera de Ojinaga, Geru y su Legion, El Nuevo Corcel, noon, Ector County Coliseum, 4201 Andrews Highway, Odessa. $15. myfiestawesttexas.com.

■ Bridge game play, 1:30 p.m., Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. $6. For more information call 682-8595.

■ Piloxing combines Pilates, boxing and dance. Grip socks are required, 4-5 p.m., Lacy J Pilates and Fitness Studio, 3211 W. Wadley Ave. $5. lacyjpilates.com.

■ March for Moms: Rally to Improve Birth, 4-6 p.m., Butler Soccer Park, 3801 Bluebird Lane. improvingbirth.org.

Friday

Clay Bustin' Beats benefiting the Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale and hosted by the Symphony Young Professionals, 9 a.m.-noon, Jake's Clays, 13301 Farm-to-Market Road 1379. $175 per shooter, $50 per two-man cart. MOSC.org.

Saturday

■ Rise 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament, 8 a.m.-8 p.m., Palmer Activity Christian Center, 1305 E. Illinois Ave. $75 per team. mtroseigbc.org. The tourney will include four age divisions.

■ Beer Garden Brewstival by Midland Beer Garden and the Midland RockHounds, 3-11 p.m., Security Bank Ballpark, 5515 Champions Drive. $35. midlandrockhounds.org.

■ Runway in the Gardens fashion show, 3-5:30 p.m., Alldredge Gardens, 3300 N. Fairgrounds Road. $25. thepinkpugshop.com.

■ Basin Bikefest features bicycle rides, a bike parade, painting zoo, games, refreshments and more, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., MCRC, 802 Ventura Ave. $10-$15. midlandchildrens.org.

■ MOSC Pops: "Celebrating our Heroes," 7:30 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. MOSC.org.

■ Wang Dang Doodle featuring Nakia and the Blues Grifters, 8 p.m., DoubleTree by Hilton, 117 W. Wall St. $25.15. Tallcitybluesfest.com.

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Rocky the RockHound gets high-fives from students Wednesday during the Midland RockHounds' Kids' Day at Security Bank Ballpark.

Meetings this week

MISD facility master planning committee
Public forum
6-7:30 p.m. Thursday
Yarbrough Elementary School

City Council
10 a.m. Tuesday
Council Chambers
300 N. Loraine St.

Community Calendar

■ The Alzheimer's Association and Midland College Health Sciences Continuing Education are hosting an education session on dementia 8 a.m.-noon. Thursday at Midland College Advance Technology Center, 3200 W. Cuthbert Ave.

For more information, contact Janet Cross at 570-9191, ext. 8031, or jcross@alz.org

■ Midland County System of Care — organizations that serve children and families — is hosting Children's Mental Health Awareness Day, 10 a.m.-noon Saturday at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch.

There will be games, art projects and information on available resources for mental health resources.

MCRW to meet

The Midland County Republican Women will meet 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at Midland Country Club. The featured speaker is Beau Egert, who helps run a nonprofit, 4B Disaster Response Network, which mobilizes churches and community groups to partner with government efforts to rebuild Houston in the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey.

Also, county judge candidates James Beauchamp and Terry Johnson will speak.

A buffet lunch is available for $20 with advance reservation or $25 at the door. To RSVP, please register online at www.mcrw.us or e-mail your reservation to mcrwomen@mcrw.us.

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 4-7-9
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Daily 4 night: 5-2-8-4
Cash Five: 3-4-9-22-27
Triple Chance: 10-17-18-21-23-29-34-35-43-46
Lotto Texas: 15-19-24-42-51
All or Nothing morning: 1-2-3-4-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-15
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Weather

Saturday's temperatures

High	87
Low	52
Normal high	85
Normal low	56

May 5's records
Record high: 101, set in 1945, repeated in 1964 and 2000
Record low: 39, set in 1933

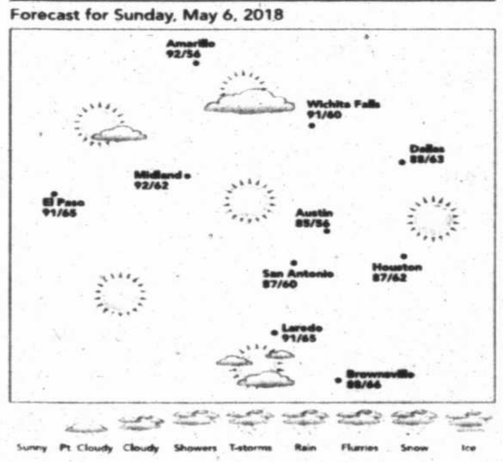
Precipitation

Friday	0.00 in.
Saturday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.16 in.
Year total	0.32 in.
Normal total (year to date)	2.68 in.

Winds
Wind speed: 13 mph
Gust speed: 20 mph

Today's forecast

Forecast for Sunday, May 6, 2018



High: 92
Low: 63
Conditions: Sunny today/mostly clear tonight
Winds: South 5-10 mph today/southeast 10 mph tonight
Chance of rain: None
Sunrise ..... 6:58 a.m.
Sunset ..... 8:32 p.m.

Source: National Weather Service

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

Note: Bigar's Stars is based on the degree of your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label astrologers put on a set of degrees for convenience. For best results, readers should refer to the dates following each sign

A baby born today has a Sun in Taurus and a Moon in Capricorn if born before 10:32 a.m. Afterward, the Moon will be in Aquarius.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for **Sunday, May 6, 2018:**

This year you often feel serious, as if you need to do some heavy thinking. The more you pull problems apart, the lighter you will become. For the most part, nothing that comes down the pike is unmanageable. You are much more in control than you have been as of late. If you are single, you will draw romance toward you all year long. You will sense a difference in the people you attract now versus those in the fall. If you are attached, the two of you enjoy staying close to home. You both are able to express the depth of your caring. AQUARIUS is more offbeat than you realize.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Friends surround you, but you might not be sure how to use your time. What is clear is that you need to make some fast changes in order to revive your energy. A friend might be amused by your unpredictability. Make the most of the moment. **Tonight:** Out to dinner with a partner. **This Week:** You make a difference wherever you are Monday and Tuesday.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ You enjoy yourself as long as you don't have to push too hard to get others to follow your lead. You are right in the middle of events, and you gain a strong insight into what others need from you. Your changeability adds excitement to the day. **Tonight:** Adjust your plans. **This Week:** Assume your leadership role by Wednesday.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Reach out to someone at a distance whom you care about. Many of you will use the interaction you experience with this person as an excuse to change your weekend plans, and perhaps even to visit with a loved one. You know what is best for you. **Tonight:** As you like it. **This Week:** Look beyond the obvious

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Relate directly to a loved one, and spend some quality time with this person. Your sense of amusement emerges when dealing with a child. One-on-one relating evolves to a whole new level. The unexpected shakes up the status quo. **Tonight:** Choose a favorite pastime. **This Week:** A new opportunity takes you down a very exciting path.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Your inner wild child emerges, but it might be too much for you to handle. You could learn a lot about a friend at a distance who shares some surprising news. A loved one shows his or her willingness to add more excitement to your day. **Tonight:** Invite a favorite person along. **This Week:** Defer to others, and make your expectations clear.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ You might want to pace yourself and not get too involved with a matter involving a family member. Your finances take a walk on the wild side, no matter how you look at it. You can't seem to keep your spending down. A little self-discipline goes a long way. **Tonight:** At home. **This Week:** Get as much done as possible Monday and Tuesday.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You might be more challenging than you realize. What is going on could shake up the status quo and prevent you from following through on your plans. You will like the excitement of an unanticipated change. Try to be less controlling than you have been. **Tonight:** Be carefree! **This Week:** Stay anchored in your creativity Monday and Tuesday.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ You might want to take a hard look at an unchangeable situation at home. An element of uproar runs through your day, bringing the unexpected toward you. You might need to clear the air in order to have a more positive experience. **Tonight:** Head out to a favorite place. **This Week:** Let go Wednesday, when the need for fun arrives.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Make an effort to meet up with others who often color your day. You might even meet at a favorite restaurant. You could be too busy to handle a wayward moment with a child or loved one. You will see a difference in how you handle future interactions. **Tonight:** Near good music. **This Week:** Speak your mind, answer questions, explore your options.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ Be sensitive to the costs of continuing as you have been. Your ability to get past a problem remains high. If you make no effort to change, you could become depressed. Try to move past the immediate issue. Respect others' choices, even if you don't agree with them. **Tonight:** Accept an offer. **This Week:** You make many demands of yourself.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Take news with a grain of salt. You could be irritated by someone who seems to be pushing for more of what he or she wants. Refuse to be pressured by this person. You have the ability to be more independent than many people. **Tonight:** Your spontaneity colors the night. **This Week:** Monday and Tuesday are prime times for you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ You will want to honor a special friend. Open up to talks, and discuss how this person would feel most rewarded. Some of you might want to take the day off, while others could decide to head to the movies. Play the next 24 hours low-key. **Tonight:** All smiles. **This Week:** Start the week with quiet work.

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Woman allegedly hits man with car

From staff reports

A Midland woman was arrested on Wednesday after she allegedly used a vehicle during the commission of an assault.

Smithwick

Erica Marie Smithwick, 29, was being held Friday on a $100,000 bond for a first-degree felony charge of aggravated assault of a date/family/house member with a weapon.

Midland police were dispatched at about 1 p.m. Wednesday in reference to an aggravated assault.

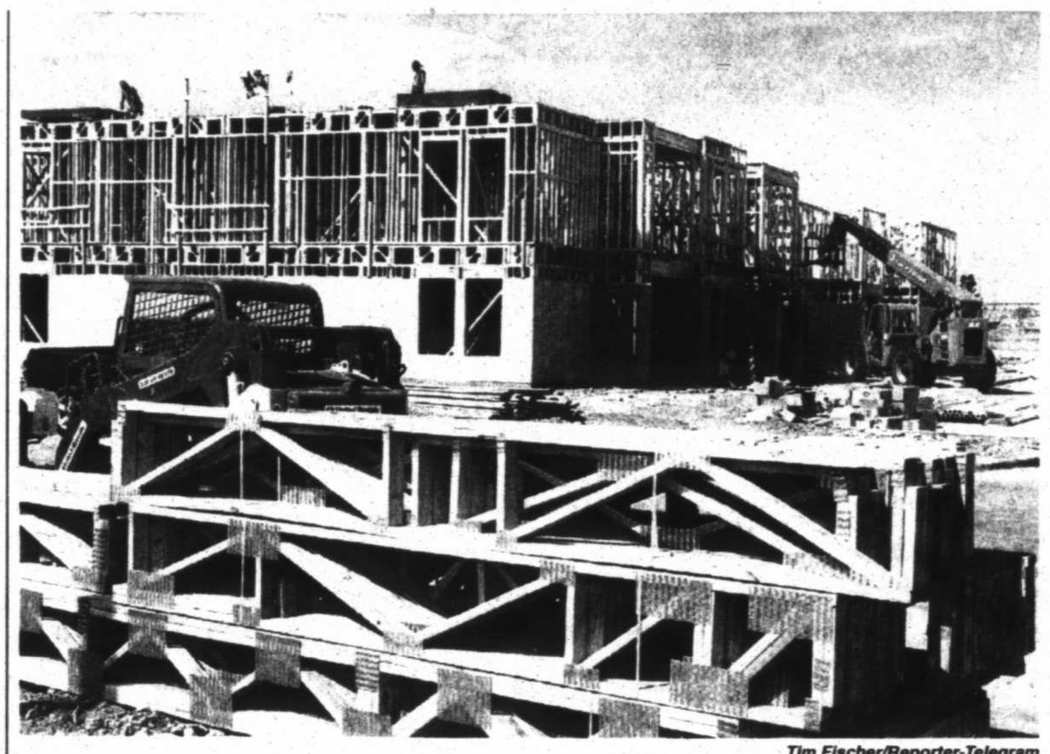
A man told officers he witnessed Smithwick hit a man and then leave the scene.

Smithwick told officers she accidently hit the man with a car after he walked away from her during an argument, according to the arrest affidavit.

The vehicle's driver's side window was shattered, according to the affidavit.

The victim sustained bruised ribs and a bruised knee as a result of the incident, according to the affidavit.

If convicted of the first-degree felony charge, Smithwick could face up to life imprisonment.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Construction continues on Merritt Monument, a new apartment complex off Beal Parkway between Leisure Drive and Thomason Drive.

Crime of the week

Midland Crime Stoppers and the Midland Police Department need help in identifying the suspect involved in a sexual assault

A 15-year-old male was sexually assaulted at about 9 p.m. Feb. 17 at a Midland residence. The suspect appears to be a Hispanic male in his 30s. He is about 5 foot 9, weighs about 200 pounds and has a goatee.

If you have information on the suspect and it leads to an arrest, it will be worth a $1,000 cash reward. Call Midland Crime Stoppers at 694-TIPS or 1-800-7LOCKUP or download the mobile app 'P3 TIPS'. No caller ID is ever used and you will remain anonymous.

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Crime Stoppers fugitive

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- As always you will remain anonymous
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Savage

FTC: Odessa, Midland funeral homes violate price disclosure rule

Odessa American

Investigators with the Federal Trade Commission found seven funeral homes in the Odessa and Midland area failed to comply with price disclosure requirements.

The FTC, which did not disclose the names of the funeral homes, reported discovering violations during undercover inspections last year of what is known as the Funeral Rule. The rule requires funeral homes to give customers an itemized price list at the beginning of an in-person discussion about funeral arrangements.

The rule also requires funeral homes prices on caskets and outer burial containers before viewing options, and it prohibits funeral homes from requiring families to buy any item, such as a casket, as a condition of obtaining funeral goods or services. The FTC says the rule is designed to enable customers to compare prices and buy only what they want.

In Odessa and Midland seven of the 15 funeral homes inspected failed to comply with a price list disclosure requirement, according to the FTC.

The local violations, discovered as part of an investigation spanning several states, did not lead to penalties for the funeral homes. Instead, they were allowed to enter a training program aimed at ensuring compliance. Civil penalties for funeral homes found to violate the rule can be as high as about $40,000 per violation.

The Better Business Bureau recommends checking out funeral homes online at bbb.org, making sure they are registered with the Texas Funeral Service Commission, demanding a price list and resisting pressure to buy unnecessary goods or services.

"Obviously that's an emotional time so you want to avoid emotional spending," said Heather Massey, the BBB's regional director of the Permian Basin, adding people should make sure "companies are not trying to up-sell you or take advantage on services you don't need."

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Rent

From 1A

increases since a decline in January, according to Apartment List data. Salviati said people tend to move in the spring and summer, and properties sometimes lower winter prices in response to that market change.

Another source, ALN Apartment Data, reports a 34.1 percent rise in effective rent in the Midland-Odessa market compared to last year. It lists average effective rent for conventional properties at $1,379.

Also, ALN figures show occupancy for the Midland-Odessa market stands at 95.6 percent — a 6.2 percent annual change — while properties are offering 84.7 percent fewer leasing specials.

"Occupancies are going up, and concessions are going down," said Jordan Brooks, analytics specialist for ALN. "That tells us the concessions that are being offered are not what's driving demand."

Brooks said having an occupancy jump of about 6 percent year-over-year is somewhat unusual when new properties enter a market. The two most recent permits that resulted in completed apartment complexes were issued in 2015, according to information provided by the city of Midland. Those projects added 470 apartment units combined.

Permits have also been issued for three complexes that will bring 505 combined units upon completion. Another business was issued a permit in 2015 but didn't follow through, according to the information.

Local impact

For now, some people who are navigating the local rental market have trouble finding places to live. Kat Hernandez, director of social services at Salvation Army of Midland, said clients find that many low-income apartments are booked.

She also said the organization's shelter recently has been housing people who come to Midland for work. It's a trend she noticed during the last economic boom.

"We saw a lot of people moving to Midland," Hernandez said. "We were constantly full."

One person who recently settled in the area was Victoria Tu'ua. She returned to West Texas one year ago and stayed in motels with her three children.

Tu'ua spent time looking for apartments and seeking public housing assistance. She said there are misconceptions surrounding homelessness and that anyone can face similar circumstances.

"You have to think about other people that are out here, that as the prices go higher, they could be in our same situation," she said.

Tu'ua in July connected with Family Promise of Midland, which helps low-income families gain independence. Now, she's studying to become a social worker in hopes of making an impact in the lives of others.

"I think of all the things that we've been through, and I've always wanted to be the one to be able to help out," Tu'ua said.

Life experiences have also influenced the career path of Angela Villalobos, who hopes to go into real estate. After struggling to afford an apartment for her family, she wanted to improve her situation and guide others through housing regulations.

"There's a lot of oil, so they think everybody's supposed to make this much money to be able to live," said Villalobos, a mother of five. "But not everybody can actually make that much money. Usually it's a combined income of you and your spouse, and a lot of us don't have that."

Villalobos lived for about one month with her family in a travel trailer behind a friend's house. She was later accepted into Family Promise's transitional housing program.

Tom Miller, executive director of the nonprofit, said the springtime is usually slow because people are using money from tax returns. But this year, he said inquiries are up because families are realizing the extra money still won't allow them to afford rent. The nonprofit's program helps participating parents through the budgeting process.

Miller said that during the last economic boom, there was a shortage of all housing options — not only affordable ones — and that some families who found places to live couldn't afford rent.

"It's a double-edged sword in Midland because we are a petroleum industry community," Miller said. "But then we also need the service industry — the doctor's offices, the restaurants."

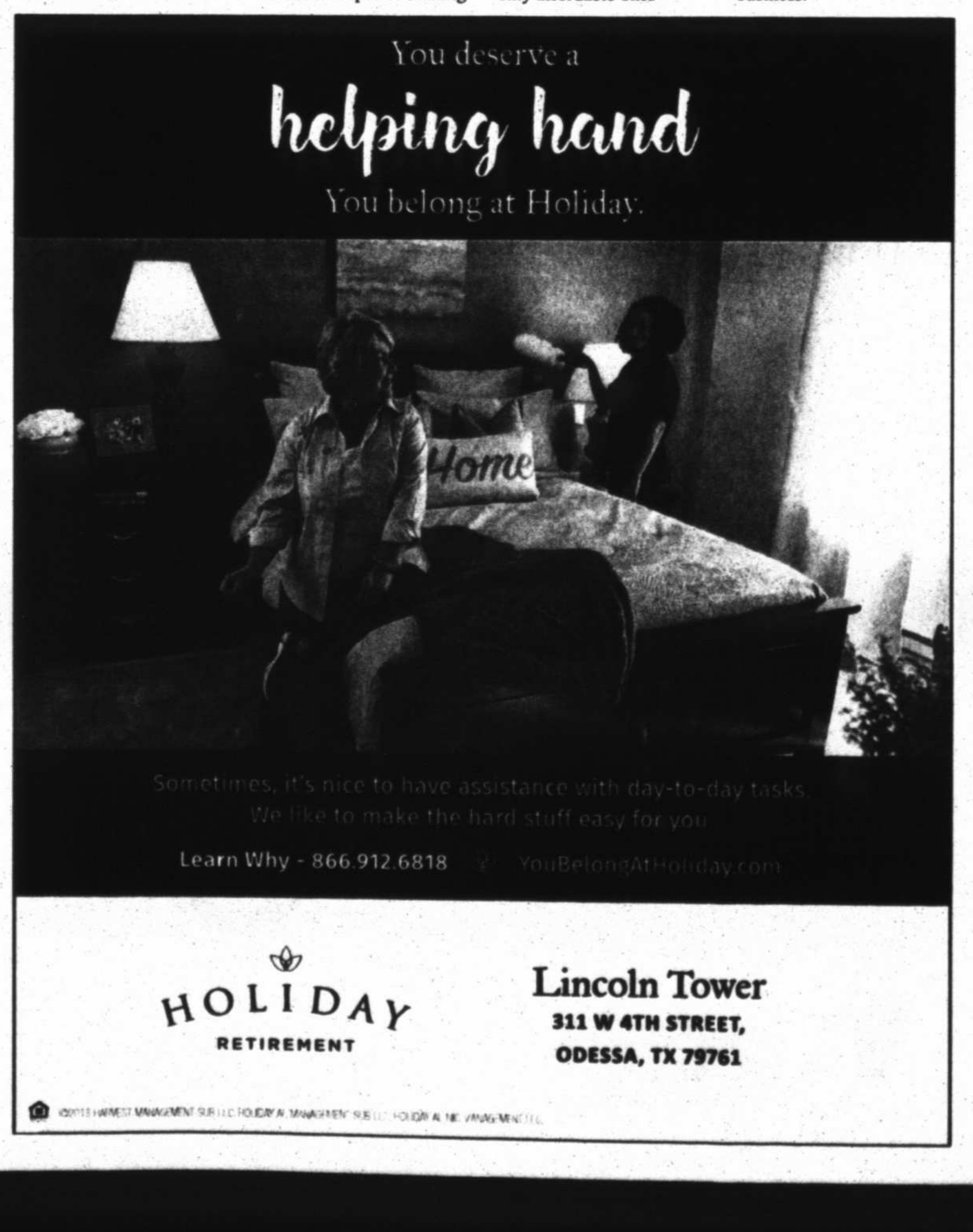
For Midlanders who have trouble paying rent, some local groups offer services. Renters seeking assistance from the Deacons Fund at First Presbyterian Midland are asked to be responsible for at least 10 percent of the amount due.

Carl Moore, benevolence counselor, has noticed an increase in calls from people whose landlords increased rent, and he said there is also demand from those facing other situations.

"We're getting some people who've lost their jobs," Moore said. "But a lot of people are moving into town and are looking to get their first month's rent and deposit taken care of."

Moore thinks it's a problem when some longtime renters can no longer afford to live in Midland. During the last economic boom, he said some were compelled to move away.

"At times, I wish there were people who would remember the [purpose] of an apartment complex is to provide places for people to live," Moore said. "And it's difficult to find that when the rents have gotten so high that you practically have to work in the oil business."



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Video shows police stop of Native American teens on tour

By Mary Hudetz and Kathleen Foody
Associated Press

DENVER — Police body camera footage and telephone recordings captured an incident in which two Native American teenagers were pulled from a Colorado college tour and questioned after another tour member reported "odd" behavior by "creepy kids."

The camera footage released Friday by Colorado State University shows two police officers searching the teens' pockets and questioning whether they were part of the tour.

The officers eventually determined that 19-year-old Thomas Kanewakeron Gray and his 17-year-old brother, Lloyd Skanahwati Gray had done nothing wrong and let them go after about five minutes.

But the incident last Monday has caused an outcry as a case of racial discrimination and prompted the university to apologize and try to make amends.

The video footage shows the brothers — one wearing a T-shirt and the other a hooded sweatshirt — walking in a group and down a set of stairs when an officer approaches and directs them to step aside, saying he and another officer — who is not visible in the video — are going to check the teens' pockets.

The younger brother has his hands in his pockets, and police officers ask him to take them out.

At first, the officer visible in the video asks the Grays short, focused questions, including whether they were part of the tour group and why they didn't "cooperate" when others asked them their names.

Colorado State University campus police via AP

In this photo from body camera video, two Native American teenagers are questioned by Colorado State University campus police after they were pulled from a college tour April 30 in Colorado. The teen's faces were blurred by the Colorado State University campus police. The mother of the teenagers who campus police pulled from the tour after a parent reported feeling nervous about them said she believes her sons were victims of racial profiling and she feared for their safety after learning about the encounter. In an interview Thursday with The Associated Press, Lorraine Kahneratokwas Gray described receiving a frantic phone call from her son, 19-year-old Thomas Kanewakeron Gray, about the incident at Colorado State University.

"The reason we stopped you and talked to you is because someone from the group called and said you guys just kind of came into the group," the officer said. "They also said they tried to ask you guys questions and you didn't want to answer questions."

The older teen quickly responds, explaining that they had arrived late for the tour and that his younger brother is shy. The younger teen offers to retrieve the email confirming their tour reservations.

"Yeah, yeah, do that, and then we'll get you out of here," the officer shown in the video said.

The other officer adds: "People were just worried because you guys were real quiet and they didn't know who you were because you guys didn't show up with parents or any of that stuff."

By then, however, their tour group had moved on without them and the brothers left the campus in Fort Collins, a city of about 160,000 and 65 miles north of Denver, and returned home to New Mexico.

"I think it's pretty discriminatory," Thomas Kanewakeron Gray said Thursday. "Me and my brother just stayed to ourselves the whole time. I guess that was scaring people; that we were just quiet."

According to a police recording from a woman on the tour that started the incident, the caller told a dispatcher that the teens arrived late in the tour and wouldn't respond to questions about their names or what they wanted to study at the school.

"They are not, definitely not, a part of the tour," said the woman, identified in a police report as a 45-year-old white woman from Colorado. "And their behavior is just really odd. And I've never called, ever, about anybody. But they joined our tour. They won't give their names."

The woman also said during the call that the teens were "lying the whole time," but doesn't offer specifics to support the claim, except to say that one of them laughed when she asked what they were studying. She also repeatedly told the dispatcher that her concern could be "completely paranoid" and apologized "if it's nothing."

"They're probably fine and just creepy kids," she said.

Other than saying the teens were wearing all black clothing with "dark stuff on it," the caller did not physically describe them until questioned by the dispatcher. She said she believed they were Hispanic, and described their clothing as having a "weird symbolism or wording on it."

Mueller team questions Trump friend Tom Barrack

By Tom LoBianco, Jonathan Lemire and Alan Suderman
Associated Press

■ APNEWSBREAK

WASHINGTON — Investigators working for special counsel Robert Mueller have interviewed one of President Donald Trump's closest friends and confidants, California real estate investor Tom Barrack, The Associated Press has learned.

Barrack was interviewed as part of the federal investigation of possible coordination between the Trump campaign and Russia in the 2016 election, according to three people familiar with the matter who spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss private conversations.

The specific topics covered in questions from Mueller's team were not immediately clear.

One of the people who spoke to AP said the questioning focused entirely on two officials from Trump's campaign who have been indicted by Mueller: Trump's former campaign chairman, Paul Manafort, and Manafort's longtime deputy, Rick Gates. Gates agreed to plead guilty to federal conspiracy and false-statement charges in February and began cooperating with investigators.

This person said Barrack was interviewed "months ago" and was asked a few questions about Gates' work on Trump's inaugural committee, which Barrack chaired, and but there were no questions about the money raised by that committee.

A second person with knowledge of the Barrack interview said the questioning was broader and did include financial matters about the campaign, the transition and Trump's inauguration in January 2017.

Barrack's spokeswoman, Lisa Baker, declined comment.

Barrack has rare access and insight into Trump going back decades, since their days developing real estate. Barrack played an integral role in the 2016 campaign as a top fundraiser at a time when many other Republicans were shunning the upstart candidate. Barrack later directed Trump's inauguration.

While the specifics of Barrack's questioning were unclear, Mueller's team has asked several other witnesses about the flow of money related to the campaign.

Investigators have for months been inquiring about the Trump campaign's finances and compliance with federal election law, according to four people familiar with the matter.

Prosecutors' questions have been wide-ranging, these people said, touching on the campaign's data operations, its relationship with data-mining company Cambridge Analytica, payments to Gates and whether there were arrangements that weren't disclosed in filings to the Federal Election Commission, they said.

The four people familiar with the investigation spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss details of the confidential interviews.

The investigators' questions about the campaign's finances have come up in interviews dating to early fall while prosecutors were preparing the first indictment against Manafort and Gates.

Barrack, a wealthy real estate investor with close ties to several Mideast leaders, met Trump in 1988 when he negotiated the sale of The Plaza Hotel in New York to Trump. Barrack's publicist in 2016 described the men as having since "solidified a lifelong friendship between themselves and their families."

Barrack employed Gates last year, wrapping up operations on the Presidential Inaugural Committee, before Gates was charged by Mueller.

Barrack spoke glowingly of Trump in a CNBC interview in early 2016.

Hawaii braces for long upheaval as erupting Kilauea boils

By Caleb Jones and Audrey Mcavoy
Associated Press

PAHOA, Hawaii — Hundreds of anxious residents on the Big Island of Hawaii hunkered down Saturday for what could be weeks or months of upheaval as the dangers from an erupting Kilauea volcano continued to grow.

Lava spurted from volcanic vents, toxic gas filled the air and strong earthquakes — including a magnitude 6.9 temblor on Friday — rocked an already jittery population. The trifecta of natural threats forced the evacuation of more than 1,700 people from communities near the lava and prompted the closure of parks, college campuses and a section of the main road through the area on the Big Island's southern tip.

Five structures have burned and thousands of customers briefly lost power from one of the larger quakes.

Tesha "Mirah" Montoya, 45, said toxic fumes escaping from the lava vents weren't enough to make her family evacuate, but the tipping point were the earthquakes.

"I felt like the whole side of our hill was going to explode," she said. "The earthquake was what made us start running and start throwing guinea pigs and bunnies in the car."

Montoya, her husband and daughter don't know how long they will be away from the three-story octagonal house they built nearly 20 years ago from a patch of "raw jungle."

"My heart and soul's there," she said in a phone interview from a cabin on the north side of the Big Island, where the family had hunkered down. "I'm nothing without the land. It's part of my being."

Tina Neal, the scientist in charge of the U.S. Geological Survey's Hawaiian Volcano Observatory, warned distressed residents at a community meeting late Friday that eruptions could last longer than the ones from earlier this week, and earthquakes and aftershocks could continue for days, even weeks.

Gary McMillan said his home is about 3,000 feet from one of the fissures that is spewing lava and gas into Leilani Estates. He has remote cameras set up in his home and says that as of now his home is still intact.

Hawaii Electric Light via AP

This photo provided by Hawaii Electric Light shows lava flowing Friday over Mohala Street in the Leilani Estates area near Pahoa on the Big Island of Hawaii. Nearly 1,500 people have fled from their homes after Hawaii's Kilauea volcano sent molten lava chewing through forests and bubbling up on paved streets in an eruption that one resident described as "a curtain of fire."

He's living out of his van with his wife at the nearby community center and constantly thinks about the things they were forced to leave behind — but understands why authorities are keeping residents out.

"I was a critical care nurse for 37 years, so I understand the health implications and the dangers involved," McMillan said.

The lava lake at Kilauea's summit crater dropped significantly, suggesting the magma was moving eastward toward Puna, a mostly rural district of forests, papaya farms and lava fields left by past eruptions.

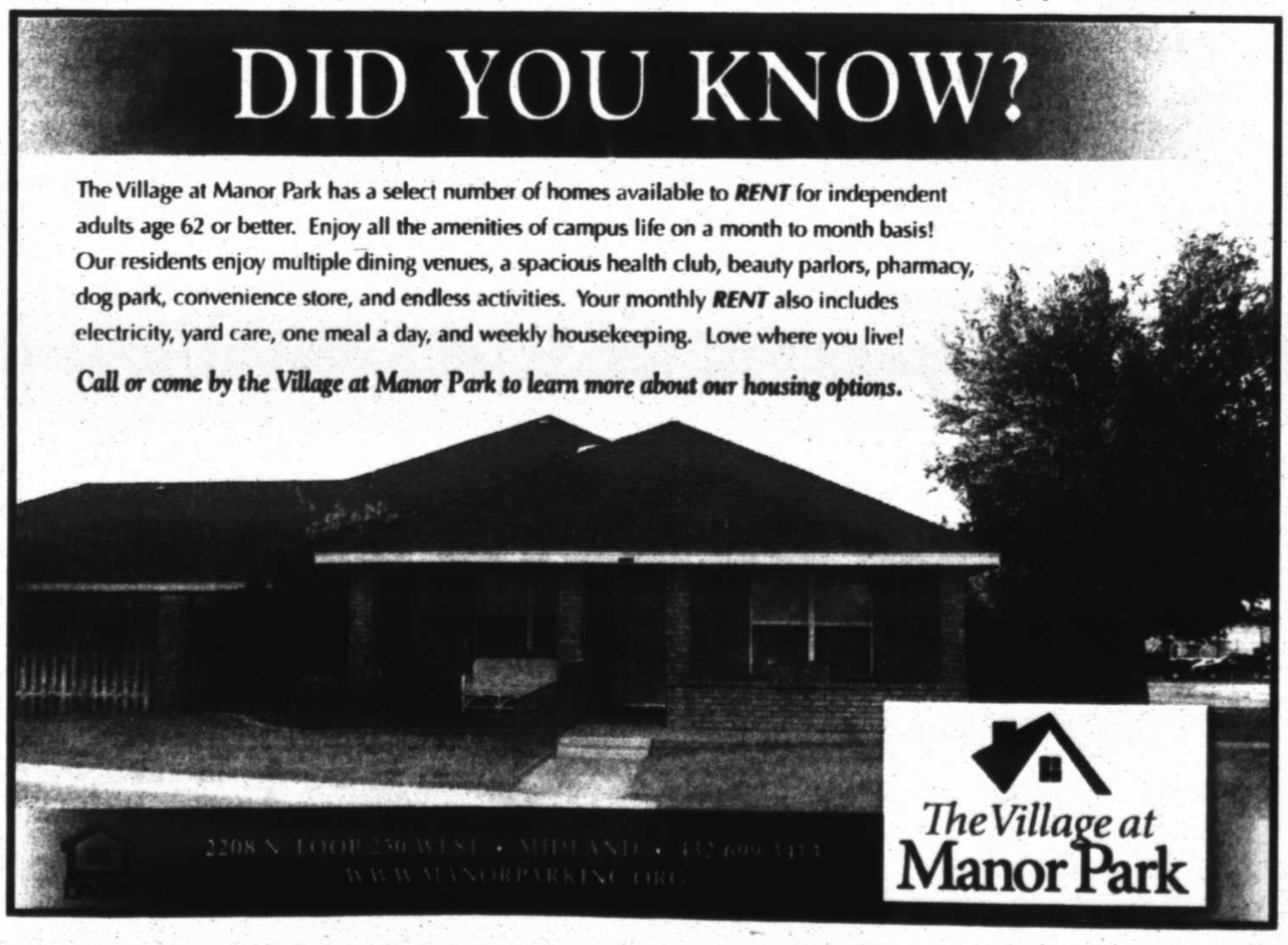
Officials warned of the dangers of spattering hot rock and high levels of sulfuric gas that could threaten the elderly and people with breathing problems.

Hawaii Volcanoes National Park evacuated all visitors and non-emergency staff. The quakes triggered rock slides on park trails and crater walls. Narrow fissures appeared on the ground at a building overlooking the crater at Kilauea's summit.

The University of Hawaii at Hilo and Hawaii Community College both closed campuses and a long stretch of Highway 130, one of the main arteries through Puna, was closed because of the threat of sulfuric gas.

Leilani Estates, where lava was pushing through cracks in the earth, has about 1,700 residents and 770 homes. A nearby neighborhood, Lanipuna Gardens, which has a few dozen people, also was evacuated.

Kilauea has been continuously erupting since 1983 and is one of five volcanoes that make up the Big Island. Activity picked up earlier this week, indicating a possible new lava outbreak.



Early GOP primaries shaping up as rightward march

By Bill Barrow
Associated Press

As primary season kicks into high gear, Republicans are engaged in nomination fights that are pulling the party to the right, leaving some leaders worried their candidates will be out of a step with the broader electorate in November.

Primaries in four states on Tuesday, all in places Donald Trump carried in 2016, showcase races in which GOP candidates are jockeying to be seen as the most conservative, the most anti-Washington and the most loyal to the president. It's evidence of the onetime outsider's deepening imprint on the Republican Party he commandeered less than two years ago.

In Indiana, Republicans will pick from among three Senate candidates who have spent much of the race praising Trump and bashing each other. In West Virginia, a former federal convict and coal baron has taken aim at Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., with racially charged accusations of corruption.

In Ohio, Republicans are certain to nominate someone more conservative than outgoing GOP Gov. John Kasich, a 2016 presidential candidate, moderate and frequent Trump critic. Even Kasich's former running mate, Lt. Gov. Mary Taylor, has pledged to unwind some of Kasich's centrist policies, including the expansion of the Medicaid government insurance program following Democrats' 2010 health insurance overhaul.

With Trump's job approval hanging around 40 percent and the GOP-run Congress less than half that, the abandonment of the middle has some Republicans raising alarms.

"The far left and the far right always think they are going to dominate these elections," said John Weaver, a Trump critic and top strategist to Kasich, who has been become a near-pariah in the primary to succeed him.

"You may think it's wise in a primary to handcuff yourself to the president," Weaver said. "But when the ship goes down, you may not be able to get the cuffs off."

Unemployment is below 4 percent, but wage growth is still lousy

By Matt O'Brien
The Washington Post

■ ANALYSIS

The unemployment rate has dropped below 4 percent for the first time in 18 years, and the truth of the matter is we have no idea how much further it can go.

That's the silver lining for what is, if not a dark cloud, at least a surprisingly off-color one: Even though unemployment is a mere 3.9 percent, wages don't seem to be rising much faster than they have for the last couple years, and at nowhere near the rate they were before the crash. That's not what's supposed to happen when unemployment gets as low as it can . . . which tells us that unemployment must not have bottomed out yet.

If this sounds familiar, well, that's because it is. We've been going through different versions of this for a few years now, as unemployment first hit a 10-, then a 16-, and finally an 18-year low. Each time, this was better than economists had thought was possible not long before; each time, wage pressure was still muted to the point of being almost completely quiescent; and each time, there weren't any signs that this was about to stop, as the economy was still chugging along at the same good-but-not-great pace it had been for most of the recovery.

The details, of course, have been different every month, but this big picture has not. In April, for example, the economy added a slightly worse-than-expected 164,000 jobs, but over the last three months it's still averaging a robust 208,000. Similarly, the labor force just shrank by a disappointing 236,000 — the unemployment rate fell for this bad reason that fewer people were looking for work rather than finding it - but, again, this is more than in line with what we thought would happen if you look at the last three months and see that it's up 412,000 over that time. And wages, as we already said, were up the same 2.6 percent that they have been for most of the last three years.

The simple story, then, is that the economy is adding somewhere between 150,000 and 200,000 jobs a month, just enough people are entering the workforce to offset all the baby boomers' retirements, and wage growth is stuck at a level that suggests the recovery still has a ways to go.

In other words, the natural rate of unemployment must be much, much lower than we thought.

That, you see, is the point at which unemployment has fallen so far that inflation starts rising. The idea is that lower unemployment means companies will have to start paying people higher wages as they compete over the dwindling supply of workers, which will then eat into their profits enough that they have to raise prices. Economists used to think this happened at around 5 or 6 percent unemployment for no other reason than that sounded pretty low, but, well, it didn't. Nor did it when joblessness fell to 4.5 or even 4 percent. The best you can say is there are signs that it might happen soon. Alternative measures of wage growth have shown it growing at a slow and steady pace, and inflation has already in fact risen back to the Federal Reserve's 2 percent target. But if you look at the average hourly earnings for production and nonsupervisory workers —the only numbers we have that go back to the last time unemployment was this low — you see a different story right now: stagnant wage growth no matter how low unemployment is.

Consider this: Between 1998 and 2008, the unemployment rate explained about 58 percent of the raises that these workers were getting. Since then, though, it's only 2 percent. Now, a large part of that is because companies were reluctant to cut wages during the depths of the crisis because of how much that would have hurt morale, so they kept a lid on wages even after things started to improve. But even if you look at the last three years, the relationship is still a lot weaker than it used to be - the unemployment rate accounts for only about 30 percent of wage growth over that time.

What's going on? Well, as economist Adam Ozimek points out, this might not be as mysterious as it seems. Despite our low unemployment rate, there's still a smaller share of 25-to-54-year-olds, who, for the most part, should be too old to still be in school but too young to be retired, working today than there was before the recession hit in 2007, let alone the last time unemployment was this low in 2000. Once you control for that, wage growth is right about where you would expect it to be. Which is to say that we need a lower unemployment rate than we used to for workers to have the bargaining power they did before.

It might be that 4 percent unemployment is the new 5 percent unemployment: Good, but not good enough.

NASA launches InSight spacecraft

By Marcia Dunn
Associated Press

Bill Ingalls/NASA via AP

In this photo released by NASA, the mobile service tower at SLC-3 is rolled back to reveal the United Launch Alliance (ULA) Atlas-V rocket with NASA's InSight spacecraft onboard Friday at Vandenberg Air Force Base in Calif. The rocket launched early Saturday.

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla.— A robotic geologist armed with a hammer and quake monitor rocketed toward Mars on Saturday, aiming to land on the red planet and explore its mysterious insides.

In a twist, NASA launched the Mars InSight lander from California rather than Florida's Cape Canaveral.

It was the first interplanetary mission ever to depart from the West Coast, drawing pre-dawn crowds to fog-socked Vandenberg Air Force Base and rocket watchers down the California coast into Baja.

"This is a big day. We're going back to Mars!" NASA's new boss, Jim Bridenstine, said following liftoff. "This is an extraordinary mission with a whole host of firsts."

The spacecraft will take more than six months to get to Mars and start its unprecedented geologic excavations, traveling 300 million miles to get there.

InSight will dig deeper into Mars than ever before — nearly 16 feet, or 5 meters — to take the planet's temperature.

It will also attempt to make the first measurements of marsquakes, using a high-tech seismometer placed directly on the Martian surface.

"That's the real payoff of this whole mission and that's still lying ahead of us," said the mission's chief scientist, Bruce Banerdt of NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California.

Although fog prevented Banerdt from seeing the liftoff of the $1 billion U.S.-European mission, he heard the roar of the rocket and all the blaring car alarms it set off.

"It was just an incredible moment," Banerdt told The Associated Press by phone. Despite the challenges still ahead, "I think I can bask in a little bit of satisfaction and just feeling like we really accomplished something today."

Besides InSight, the United Launch Alliance's Atlas V rocket gave a lift to a pair of mini test satellites, or CubeSats, that are trailing InSight to Mars to serve as a potential communication link. Nicknamed WALL-E and EVE from the 2008 animated movie, the twin briefcase-size spacecraft popped off the rocket's upper stage in hot pursuit of InSight, as elated launch controllers applauded and shook hands following the morning's success.

NASA hasn't put a spacecraft down on Mars since the Curiosity rover in 2012.

The U.S., in fact, is the only country to successfully land and operate a spacecraft at Mars.

It's tough, complicated stuff. Only about 40 percent of all missions to Mars from all countries — orbiters and landers alike — have proven successful over the decades.

If all goes well, the three-legged InSight will descend by parachute and engine firings onto a flat equatorial region of Mars — believed to be free of big, potentially dangerous rocks — on Nov. 26. Once down, it will stay put, using a mechanical arm to place the science instruments on the surface.

Banerdt said Mars is ideal for learning how the rocky planets of our solar system formed 4.5 billion years ago. Unlike our active Earth, Mars hasn't been transformed by plate tectonics and other processes, he noted. InSight might also help explain why some planets — like ours — went on to develop life, while others did not.

Over the course of two Earth years — or one Martian year — NASA expects InSight's three main experiments to provide a true 3-D image of the interior of Mars.

Scientists know Mars has an iron core and a crust, but beyond that, the inside is "basically, completely unknown," said Banerdt.

The lander is equipped with a seismometer for measuring marsquakes, a self-hammering probe for burrowing beneath the surface, and a radio system for tracking the spacecraft's position and planet's wobbly rotation, thereby revealing the size and composition of Mars' core.

"InSight, for seismologists, will really be a piece of history, a new page of history," said the Paris Institute of Earth Physics' Philippe Lognonne, lead scientist of the InSight seismometer.

Problems with the French-supplied seismometer kept InSight from launching two years ago. California was always part of the plan.

NASA normally launches from Cape Canaveral, but decided to switch to California for InSight to take advantage of a shorter flight backlog.

This was the first U.S. interplanetary mission to launch from somewhere other than Cape Canaveral.

The fog ruined the view for those gathered at Vandenberg along the central California coast. But it was a marvelous sight farther south.

The rocket's bright orange flame was visible for some time as it arced upward across the dark sky west of greater Los Angeles.

Not even two weeks on the job, NASA's new administrator, Bridenstine, observed the launch on monitors at space agency headquarters in Washington.

"I can't think of a better way to start my day!" Bridenstine tweeted.

United Launch Alliance's president, Tory Bruno, also took to Twitter to celebrate. "Next stop: Mars."

Space station's Robonaut makes splashdown in Pacific

By Marcia Dunn
Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — An experimental humanoid known as Robonaut is back on Earth.

SpaceX tweeted that its Dragon capsule carrying Robonaut and other items from the International Space Station made a good splashdown in the Pacific on Saturday afternoon.

The capsule splashed down off the California coast.

It was the second of two space-related events Californians were treated to Saturday. In the early morning, NASA launched a Mars lander from Vandenberg Air Force Base.

In orbit for seven years, Robonaut needs a tuneup because of circuitry problems. NASA officials say Robonaut may launch again, once fixed.

In all, the Dragon returned nearly 4,000 pounds of space station experiments and equipment. The capsule had arrived at the space station with a fresh load of supplies a month ago.

Johnny Cash's boyhood home makes national historic register

Associated Press

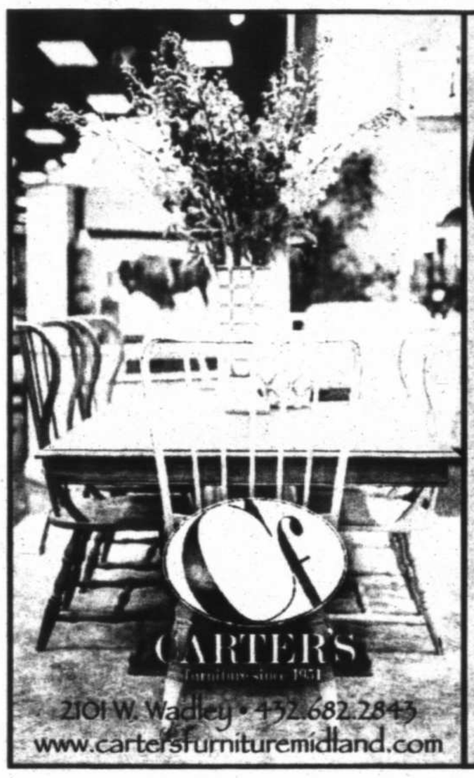
DYESS, Ark. — The Man in Black's boyhood home has been added to the National Register of Historic Places.

The Arkansas Historic Preservation Program announced Friday that the home in Dyess where country music icon Johnny Cash lived from age 3 through high school has been added to the register. Dyess is a small Arkansas town close to the Tennessee border.

The five-room farmhouse was built in 1934 as part of the Dyess Resettlement Colony by the Federal Emergency Relief Administration.

The Arkansas Democrat-Gazette reports that the house is owned by Arkansas State University, which spent $575,000 to buy, restore, furnish and landscape the property.

Cash died in 2003 at age 71 after an incredibly successful musical career. Among his many hit songs were "I Walk the Line" and "Ring of Fire."



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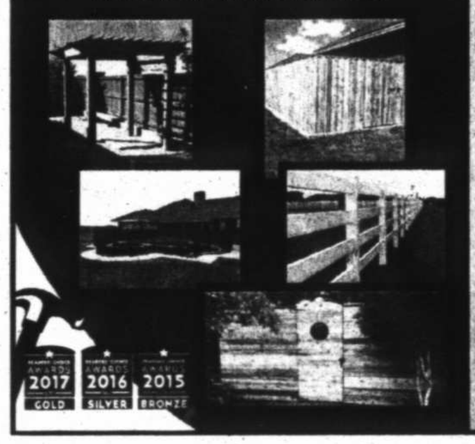

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3. Midland
4. Aurora, Illinois
5. Round Rock
6. Fort Worth
7. Aurora, Colorado
8. San Jose, California
9. Amarillo
10. Rochester, Minnesota
tie Abilene

Last year's top 10

1. Aurora, Illinois
tie West Valley City , Utah
3. Midland
4. Aurora, Colorado
5. Rochester, Minnesota
6. Sioux Falls, South Dakota
7. Kent, Washington
8. Cedar Rapids, Iowa
9. Round Rock
10. Palmdale, California.

Texas cities in 2018 top 25

Plano (13th)
Arlington (14th)
Grand Prairie (15th)
Garland (17th)
McKinney (18th)
Pearland (22nd).

Midland ranks third in 'Living the American Dream'

From staff reports

Odessa and Midland ranked second and third, respectively, in SmartAsset's list of the best cities across the nation for living the American Dream.

It was Midland's second-straight appearance at No. 3 in the annual study, according to a press release. The study looked at measures of housing and opportunity to uncover the best cities for living the American Dream. The other Texas communities to crack the top 10 were Round Rock, Fort Worth, Amarillo and Abilene.

"Midland, Texas is another upwardly mobile city with a low unemployment rate," SmartAsset said. "In both our mobility and unemployment rankings, Midland comes in third. While those economic indicators are good for the American Dream in Midland, the city could improve on its homeownership rate, which is currently only 59 percent."

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The study reports the median home value in Midland is $196,000. The Permian Basin Board of Realtors showed last month that the average price for a home sold was more than $269,000. One has to go back to March 2013 to find a month when the median home price was below $200,000.

SmartAsset reported that home value data comes from the Census Bureau's one-year American Community Survey.

As far as Odessa, SmartAsset said, "Last year, Odessa ranked 24th but jumped an impressive 22 spots to secure the second spot this year. One reason for the improvement is the large drop in the unemployment rate. Last year, Odessa had a 5.8% unemployment rate but this year, the unemployment rate is only 3.3 percent. Odessa also continues to be the most upwardly mobile city in the study."

SmartAsset on its website describes itself as "a financial technology company aiming to provide the best personal finance advice on the web."

BLS: Midland again posts largest employment gain in US

From staff reports

For the third straight month, Midland recorded the largest over-the-year percentage gain in employment in the United States.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics reported last week that Midland showed a 9.9 percent increase in employment during the month of February. Ocean City, New Jersey, finished second with a 7.4 percent increase. Odessa was third with a 6.4 percent increase. The increase in February in Midland was 9.1 percent.

Meanwhile, Midland was one of 308 metropolitan statistical areas with an increase in its jobless rate from February to March. Midland's unemployment rate dropped from 2.5 to 2.4 percent. Midland was one of 40 MSAs — and the only one in Texas — below 3.0 percent, according to the BLS. The national unemployment rate in February was 4.1 percent.

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Supreme Court balance at stake as Kennedy retirement talk heats up

By Greg Stohr
Bloomberg News

WASHINGTON — After 30 years of pivotal decisions on the U.S. Supreme Court, Justice Anthony Kennedy is about to make his biggest one yet.

For the second straight year, Kennedy, 81, is the focus of retirement speculation as the court approaches the late-June end of its term. A retirement by the court's swing justice would give President Donald Trump his second Supreme Court vacancy to fill before Republicans' Senate majority goes on the November election ballot. It also would drop a political bomb into what is already one of the country's most divisive eras since the Civil War.

Although he has given no public indication he plans to depart, advocates on both sides are wondering whether Kennedy's age and Republican roots could lead him to do so. It could trigger a rancorous confirmation battle and open the court to a sharp — and probably enduring — turn to the right.

A Trump-appointed successor could create the five-member majority that legal conservatives have envisioned for decades. The reconstituted court could overturn long-standing precedents, including the 1973 Roe v. Wade abortion-rights ruling. How far it goes would probably depend on Chief Justice John Roberts, who sometimes tempers his conservative leanings to try to protect the court's institutional standing.

Whether Kennedy will retire is something known to, at most, a handful of people. Former law clerks say they can only speculate, questioning even whether the justice himself knows what he will do.

What faint signals Kennedy has sent point toward at least another year on the bench. He has hired his law clerks for the Supreme Court's next term and, as usual, will spent July teaching a law school course in Salzburg, Austria. From the bench, he has been as engaged as ever.

"I thought he looked great during the arguments," said lawyer Carter Phillips, who has argued more than 75 cases before the court, including an antitrust matter involving China on April 24. "So I don't see anything specific as a health issue that would cause him to walk away."

Nor has Kennedy shown any obvious signs of slowing down in his opinion-writing. Although he has issued only one majority opinion this term, a decision that curbed human-rights lawsuits, it was an unusually complicated ruling that required him to cobble together a majority out of a splintered court.

Kennedy's most significant opinions are probably yet to come. He could cast the deciding vote in many of the court's biggest remaining cases, including clashes over Trump's travel ban, partisan gerrymandering and the speech rights of people who oppose gay marriage.

Kennedy has been the court's pivot point since 2006. He sided with the court's conservative wing to loosen campaign finance rules in the Citizens United case and to invalidate a core part of the Voting Rights Act. He joined with the liberals to legalize gay marriage and, for the most part, has backed abortion access.

"Justice Kennedy is the most influential justice in the history of the Supreme Court, and it's probably not even close," said Michael Klarman, who teaches constitutional history at Harvard Law School. "It's almost hard to think of areas where the court divides 5-4 and Justice Kennedy is not the deciding vote."

Kennedy himself succeeded a swing voter on the court in 1988, when the Senate confirmed him to take the seat of Justice Lewis Powell. The appointment came only after President Ronald Reagan's controversial first nominee, Robert Bork, was rejected by the Senate and his second nominee, Douglas Ginsburg, stepped aside over reports of past marijuana use.

A Trump nomination to fill the Kennedy seat could lead to a confirmation fight as rancorous as the one over Bork. But unlike with Bork, Republicans control the Senate 51-49 and could confirm a nominee without any Democratic support. Democrats are trying to take control of the Senate in November, though they face a tough fight.

Potential Supreme Court nominees would include Washington-based federal appeals court judge Brett Kavanaugh, a former Kennedy clerk with close ties to the justice. Trump could also consider three federal judges he interviewed before selecting Neil Gorsuch to fill an earlier vacancy: William Pryor of Alabama, Thomas Hardiman of Pennsylvania and Amul Thapar of Kentucky.

Supreme Court justices typically reveal retirement plans as the court nears the end of its term. The most recent justice to step down, John Paul Stevens, made his announcement on April 9, 2010. The previous year, Justice David Souter revealed his plans publicly on May 1.

Other justices — including Sandra Day O'Connor in 2005, Thurgood Marshall in 1991 and Powell in 1987 — waited until the court had issued its final opinions in late June.

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Fox's Cavuto to Trump: 'That's your stink. Mr. President, that's your swamp'

By Meagan Flynn
Washington Post

Fox News host Neil Cavuto ripped into President Donald Trump's trail of conflicting and false statements in a monologue on Thursday, targeting Trump for everything from the Stormy Daniels payment to his exaggerations about illegal voting during the 2016 election.

Speaking directly to the president on his show, "Your World With Neil Cavuto," he questioned why Trump lambastes the news media for "fake news," when his own statements are often contradictory.

"Now, I'm not saying you're a liar," Cavuto said. "You're the president. You're busy. I'm just having a devil of a time figuring out which news is fake. Let's just say your own words on lots of stuff give me, shall I say, lots of pause."

Cavuto's hook was Rudy Giuliani's explosive revelation on Wednesday that the president reimbursed his former personal attorney, Michael Cohen, for the $130,000 payment to adult-film star Stormy Daniels in exchange for her silence about an alleged sexual encounter, which the president has denied. In a string of tweets Thursday morning — written in legalese uncharacteristic of Trump's colloquial Twitter style - Trump acknowledged he paid back Cohen through a monthly retainer.

He had previously stated that he knew nothing of Cohen's payment.

"Let me be clear, Mr. President," Cavuto said. "How can you drain the swamp if you're the one who keeps muddying the waters?

"You didn't know about the $130,000 payment to a porn star, until you did," he continued. "Said you knew nothing about how your former lawyer handled this, until you acknowledged today that you were the guy behind the retainer payment that took care of this. You insist that money from the campaign or campaign contributions played no role in this transaction. Of that you're sure. The thing is, not even 24 hours ago, sir, you couldn't recall any of this."

Cavuto went on to tick off a list of various examples of statements Trump has made that were incorrect or appeared to conflict with earlier statements. There was "the time you said the Russians didn't interfere in the 2016 election, until a lot of Republicans had to remind you they did," Cavuto said. "Came back months later and you said, 'Well, I never said that Russia didn't meddle in the election,' when in fact you had - a lot.'

There was the time Trump claimed the tax reform bill "would cost you a fortune when it turns out it is going to help make you a bigger fortune," Cavuto said. And the time "you said there was serious voter fraud in New Hampshire, and there wasn't." And the time Trump said "millions of illegals voted in the last election, but they didn't."

Cavuto said that none of this "makes you evil" or "makes what you say fake," but does make "calling out the press for being so a bit of a stretch."

"You are right to say some of them are out to get you. But oftentimes they're using your own words to bat you," Cavuto said. "You probably might not care. But you should. I guess you've been too busy draining the swamp to stop and smell the stink you're creating. That's your doing. That's your stink. Mr. President, that's your swamp."

Cavuto, a Fox News host since the network started in 1996, has been known to be critical of Trump and to speak to him in a direct tone, as though Trump were sitting in his living room listening on the other side of the tube.

His style breaks from many of his Fox News colleagues, particularly commentators who have heaped praise on Trump. But it's more akin to that of Shepard Smith, who is known to poke holes in the president's statements.

Earlier this month, Smith said of Trump's claims that the U.S. Postal Service was losing money because of Amazon: "None of that was true." And just this week Smith pointed out how often guests on his network seem to be giving Trump direct advice about the probe of special counsel Robert Mueller III - particularly urging the president not to talk to him.

Cavuto has often come after Trump because of his Twitter tirades.

In the past, he has told Trump to "stop scapegoating" others following Trump's Twitter tirades.

In June 2017, when Trump raged over "fake news" and bashed the London mayor following a terrorist attack there, Cavuto warned Trump that his "angry missives risk your political destruction."

"They're not the problem, Mr. President," he told Trump, referring to those he targeted on Twitter. "You are."

In November 2017, when Trump attacked LaVar Ball for not saying thank you after Trump freed his son from jail in China and attacked Sen. Jeff Flake, R.-Ariz., as "toast," Cavuto said, "Last time I checked, you are the president of the United States. Why don't you act like it?"

AP file photo

US Border Patrol agent Jerry Conlin looks out over Tijuana, Mexico on June 13, 2013, by the old border wall along the US - Mexico border, where it ends at the base of a hill in San Diego.

Five myths about the US-Mexico border

■ COMMENTARY

By Christopher E. Wilson
Special To The Washington Post

The remaining members of the much-discussed caravan of Central American migrants arrived in Tijuana, Mexico, last weekend to seek asylum in the United States. The event, and President Trump's reaction to it, set off a new round of debate on the management and security of the U.S.-Mexico border. In part, it's a serious conversation about how to respond to migration trends, including fewer economic migrants from Mexico and more asylum seekers from Central America. But it is also laced with political rhetoric that is not always firmly grounded in the truth. Here are five prevalent myths about border crossings.

Myth No. 1
The border is out of control.

Trump has worked with border-state governors to deploy National Guard troops to the region, adding literal boots on the ground to the other military metaphors used to describe the situation: Attorney General Jeff Sessions, during a visit to El Paso, declared the border "ground zero," a "beachhead against the cartels," echoing retired Gen. Barry McCaffrey's 2011 "strategic military assessment," which described conditions along the border as "tantamount to living in a war zone." The White House calls the border porous, saying that "with our current laws and resources, we cannot stop illegal aliens from crossing," and polls show that most Americans think the border is not secure.

Such language suggests high levels of violence in U.S. border communities, but FBI statistics I have analyzed for a forthcoming report for the Mexico Institute show that from 2011 to 2015, all but one of the 23 U.S. counties along the border had violent-crime rates lower than the national average for similar counties, a finding that echoes previous analyses.

In some ways, the border is porous - more than 300,000 people were apprehended last year for crossing into the country illegally. But what does it mean to have a secure border? The number of Border Patrol agents has increased more than fourfold since the early 1990s, and that 300,000 figure is the lowest recorded since 1971, meaning that the border is as secure as it has been in nearly five decades. Without a nationally agreed-upon way of measuring border security, we are stuck in a political debate as much about semantics as substance.

Myth No. 2
A border wall would stem the opioid epidemic.

Trump offers a border wall as a solution to the skyrocketing number of opioid-related deaths around the country."Ninety percent of the heroin in America comes from our southern border, where eventually the Democrats will agree with us and build the wall to keep the damn drugs out," he said in a speech in New Hampshire in March. Others, including the Border Patrol union, agree that a wall would help stem the flow of drugs. Hector Garza, a border agent, told Fox News recently that "we definitely need a physical barrier that's going to save American lives."

But the top causes of opioid-related deaths in 2016 were, in order, synthetic opioids like fentanyl, prescription opioids and heroin. A large proportion of fentanyl is shipped by mail or express carrier directly from China. Some is also trafficked through Mexico, but usually in vehicles through official crossings rather than in remote areas where a wall might complicate smugglers' plans. Prescription opioids are produced and shipped through legal means. Finally, although heroin trafficking has evolved over the past decade to enter the United States mainly through Mexico, that drug, too, is primarily moved in vehicles through official crossings. Security improvements at ports of entry and cooperation with Mexican officials may contribute to a comprehensive anti-opioid strategy, but a border wall would not.

Myth No. 3
Border enforcement does not curtail illegal crossings.

For decades, growing border security spending failed to reverse the rising tide of unauthorized immigration. A 2006 Council on Foreign Relations report summed up the research at the time, answering the question: "Does increased investment in border enforcement reduce illegal immigration?" with a succinct, "Not really." Researchers like anthropologist Jason De León noted that instead of stopping migrants, tighter security had a "balloon effect - you grab one area and the flow goes to another area."

Enforcement does push migrants to cross in more remote and dangerous areas. But U.S. border officials have become increasingly effective in detaining those seeking to cross the border illicitly, as demonstrated by economists Bryan Roberts and John Whitley. And surveys show that Mexican migrants apprehended and returned to Mexico have become much less likely to attempt to reenter the United States, with the share saying they'd try again falling from 95 percent in 2005 to 49 percent in 2015, according to a Migration Policy Institute report. Economic and demographic shifts during that period account for some of the change, but so does enforcement, in particular the fact that migrants apprehended at the border are now much less likely to be simply dropped off on the other side and more likely to face formal deportation proceedings.

Myth No. 4
Terrorist groups are exploiting a porous border.

In 2015,reports emerged claiming that the Islamic State had established a camp outside Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, just across the border from El Paso. The previous year, Rep. Duncan Hunter (R), whose congressional district includes San Diego, claimed that "at least 10 ISIS fighters have been caught coming across the Mexican border in Texas."

Both of these assertions were quickly debunked. There has never been a successful terrorist attack on the United States involving the crossing of the U.S.-Mexico border. Instead, as the State Department has reported, Mexico has cooperated closely with the United States on counterterrorism issues, and there is "no credible information that any member of a terrorist group has traveled through Mexico to gain access to the United States." An analysis of travel in the planning and execution of terrorist attacks by Kathleen Smarick and Gary LaFree of the University of Maryland shows that most travel is through airports and seaports rather than across U.S. land borders. All of this means that large flows of migrants over the southern border do not necessarily generate significant terrorism risks.

Myth No. 5
Mexico's border laws are strong, and ours are weak.

A new myth has emerged from the recent drama around the caravan of Central American migrants seeking asylum at the San Ysidro port of entry in San Diego. In April, Trump tweeted, "Our Border Laws are very weak while those of Mexico & Canada are very strong." He followed that tweet with another the next day, saying, "The Caravan is largely broken up thanks to the strong immigration laws of Mexico." And it's true that Mexico has become an important partner of the United States in managing Central American migration; it gives a growing number of refugee visas and deports large numbers of migrants before they arrive at the U.S. border.

Trump's statements, however, miss the mark on several counts. Mexico passed a major overhaul of its immigration code in 2011, seeking to limit the discretionary nature of enforcement, which had served as a tool of corruption, and to strengthen the protection of migrants' human rights. It was a pro-migrant reform, and, implementation aside, Mexico's immigration laws are far from hawkish. As for U.S. immigration laws being weak, that is hard to square with an immigration and border security system that detains and removes hundreds of thousands of people from the country each year.

The Trump administration cites flaws that allow unaccompanied minors and some asylum seekers to be placed with family members or paroled, sometimes for years, while their cases are processed. But rather than a weak legal framework, the United States has an under-resourced asylum and immigration court system. Asylum applications have more than quadrupled over the past decade, causing a backlog of more than 300,000 cases.

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Will new short-term health plans undermine Obamacare?

■ COMMENTARY

By Megan McArdle
The Washington Post

In February, the Trump administration announced that it was going to allow insurers to sell short-term, limited-duration health insurance plans to individuals. Reaction to this plan was, let us say, quite mixed.

"If consumers think Obamacare premiums are high today, wait until people flood into these short-term and association health plans," industry consultant Robert Laszewski told Kaiser Health News. "The Trump administration will bring rates down substantially for healthy people, but woe unto those who get a condition and have to go back into Obamacare."

Meanwhile, the headline at Investor's Business Daily cried "Trump Throws A Lifeline To Millions Of ObamaCare Victims."

Who was right? Well, the Kaiser Family Foundation has released a new report on these plans that might help shed some light on the matter. Ultimately what it tells us, however, is a lot less than we'd like to know.

Start with the plans themselves: What will they look like? According to Kaiser, here are the key features:

Unlike other policies (even before Obamacare), they aren't guaranteed to be renewable. If you want to renew, you have to go through the whole process of buying a policy again. Which matters because:

These policies are medically underwritten. Yes, this means the return of the dreaded "preexisting conditions," for which insurers can charge you more or simply refuse to sell you a policy. They include not just prior illness but also age and sex.

They don't have to cover "essential health benefits" — maternity, mental health, prescription drugs.

They can have lifetime caps on how much they pay out for your condition.

They can have monster deductibles and otherwise increase your out-of-pocket expenses over the Obamacare caps.

They're not subject to a bunch of regulations on insurers that limit insurer discretion on how much they charge and how much they spend on care.

You might think these policies are a pretty bad deal for consumers. But consider how much money insurers are saving by limiting the risk that they'll actually have to pay claims. And then consider that insurers can pass on those savings to you, the consumer. If you're a young, healthy person who makes too much to qualify for substantial subsidies on an exchange policy — and whose main risk is something like a catastrophic car accident — these policies are actually probably a great deal.

In fact, they're an even better deal than they used to be, thanks to Obamacare. Because while your main risk as a young adult is probably a traumatic accident, you also face some risk of getting cancer or another very expensive disease. Before Obamacare, that made it somewhat risky to buy a short-term policy, because at the end of its term, you'd get kicked off your plan, and no other insurer would touch you.

But now the worst thing that happens is that you wait for open enrollment to roll around and buy an Obamacare policy. This is a great deal for you young folks. Unfortunately, it could be a very bad deal for the rest of us.

Health insurance, like all insurance, works by pooling risk. Everyone pays premiums, then some people get sick, and some people don't. The health insurer then takes the pooled premiums and pays the claims of the people who got sick, with hopefully a little left over for profit.

But insurance pools work only if no one has a very good idea of what their "experience" will be — which is to say, if no one can accurately forecast his or her need to collect claims. If you can accurately forecast that need or make a pretty reasonable guess, then the people who expect to have high claims will buy insurance, and the folks who expect to make low claims — or no claims — will just pay for those out of pocket.

Unfortunately, there are people who can fairly accurately forecast their health-care claims: people who already have an expensive diagnosis. Young adults, meanwhile, can be fairly sure they won't use this much health care this year. So it may be rational for them to skimp on insurance, or go without, while the sick people rush to sign up.

But that will raise the insurer's average cost for each policy, so they'll have to raise premiums. At which point, some of the healthiest folks say, "To heck with this; it's cheaper to just pay out of pocket." Rinse and repeat enough times, and you have what is known as "the health insurance death spiral," which eventually ends in, well, the death of the individual market for health insurance.

You can thus understand why many people are very anxious about the administration's decision: It will entice the healthiest people to leave the insurance pool, raising premiums for everyone else and potentially worsening the already considerable problems with the Obamacare exchanges. It's not clear, however, how big this risk actually is.

The thing is, by broad logic, Obamacare exchanges already ought to be death-spiraling, because premiums keep going up every year. And indeed, the number of people buying insurance has shrunk somewhat. But not really all that much.

You might think that this resilience is due to the individual mandate, but that probably has little to do with it; law or no, millions of people who were expected to buy exchange policies have declined to do so. It turns out that main factor in whether people buy insurance isn't the mandate; the main factor is whether they get a substantial subsidy.

The exchanges hoovered up a lot of people who made less than 250 percent of the federal poverty line, which meant that they qualified not only for premium subsidies but also for special "cost-sharing reduction" (CSR) subsidies that limited their out-of-pocket costs. But the exchanges have struggled to expand the market beyond that heavily subsidized group. The overwhelming majority of the people buying exchange policies — 83 percent — qualify for premium subsidies. Almost 60 percent also get CSR subsidies.

And of the remainder, it's not clear how many are the young, healthy customers who would be most naturally attracted to short-term policies. Only 27 percent of the folks buying on the exchanges are in the prime, cheap-to-cover 18-to-34 age group. (That's why premiums keep going up; the Obama administration had originally forecast that it needed this figure to be 40 percent to keep premiums stable). However, it's reasonable to expect that the young people who have bought exchange policies are disproportionately either quite sick (and therefore in great need of health insurance) or heavily subsidized. For young people who fall into those categories, short-term policies will not present an attractive alternative.

So it's not really clear that short-term policies are going to poach many existing exchange customers. But there is yet another twist in our winding attempt to forecast the impact of this rule: people who purchase individual insurance policies off the exchanges.

There are actually two groups of those people: those in grandfathered non-Affordable-Care-Act-compliant plans, who do not really concern us, because they presumably like their insurance; and people who buy ACA-compliant plans. That second market is less well-studied than the exchange customers, though data suggests that there are about half as many of them as there are exchange buyers, and many of them aren't necessarily thrilled about their insurance policies. Though they may be in a minority, they're an important minority, because of a quirk in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

Under the law that established Obamacare, insurers have to treat their on-exchange and off-exchange policies as part of a single actuarial pool for calculating premiums. This rule is arguably needed to prevent insurers from cherry-picking healthy patients (which they have many ways to do, even if they are technically forbidden from using preexisting conditions to deny coverage). But it means that premiums in these two markets are somewhat linked.

And because of another quirk in the law, that could eventually bring us to a death spiral. It's well known that subsidies are calculated based on the price of the second-lowest-cost silver plan offered on the exchanges. What's less well known is that the law contains a trigger that could change that formula: Once total expenditure on premium subsidies hits 0.504 percent of GDP, annual subsidy adjustments switch to an inflation-based formula. If premium subsidies stop going up in lockstep with premiums, eventually, we could see a lot more current customers decide that the price isn't worth it, even on the exchanges. And, well, commence the death spiral.

Right now, we're a very long way from hitting that trigger, because of lower-than-expected enrollment, and also a slower-than-expected growth in the cost of health care. But if premiums go up enough, we could start bumping up against its limits. At which point, things in the individual market start looking dire indeed.

But that's a lot of "coulds" and "maybes" and "mights." Ultimately, right now we just don't have enough information about those off-exchange policies to know what effect offering short-term plans will have on their customers. What we can say is that the market for individual health insurance policies is still pretty fragile. And that the Trump administration sure isn't making it any stronger.

Q&A: Cambridge Analytica's bankruptcy won't halt probes

Associated Press

LONDON — The company at the center of the Facebook privacy scandal, political consultancy Cambridge Analytica, is going out of business. But that doesn't mean those behind the entity will escape the scrutiny of regulators.

As authorities continue to investigate the use of the data of millions of people, here's a look at what the bankruptcy filings in the U.K. and U.S. mean for the probe.

HOW DID THIS START?

Facebook suspended Cambridge Analytica in light of allegations that it had improperly harvested personal data from as many as 87 million Facebook accounts and used the material in Donald Trump's presidential election campaign. Cambridge Analytica says it bought the data from another company that was contractually required to comply with data protection rules and that none of the Facebook data was used in the Trump campaign.

The scandal triggered a sharp drop in Facebook shares amid concern the revelations could threaten the social network's business model of offering a free service in return for data that could be marketed to advertisers. At one point, the sell-off wiped $50 billion off the company's market value.

WHAT DOES CAMBRIDGE ANAYLYTICA SAY?

The company suspended its CEO, Alexander Nix, pending an investigation. In April it said it was "no Bond villain" and had been vilified by inaccurate reporting, including footage of Nix boasting of the company's dirty tricks — including honey traps and fake news — to win elections.

Cambridge Analytica also hired an outside lawyer to investigate the allegations. Results of the probe released Wednesday contradicted claims made by whistleblower Christopher Wylie and described his involvement with the firm as being "very modest."

WHAT NOW?

Britain's Information Commissioner's Office has been investigating Cambridge Analytica and its parent company, SCL Group, as part of a wider look at the use of personal data and election campaigns. That probe, which involves as many as 30 other companies, goes on. The commissioner's office said Thursday that it will continue "civil and criminal investigations and will seek to pursue individuals and directors as appropriate and necessary, even where companies may no longer be operating."

The office also promised to "monitor closely any successor companies," meaning that the people behind Cambridge Analytica wouldn't be able to avoid scrutiny simply by incorporating under a new name.

British corporate records show that Nix is also director of a company called Emerdata Ltd. that was incorporated in August 2017. Other Emerdata directors include people associated with Cambridge Analytica. The New York Times reported that officials from Cambridge Analytica and SCL have raised the possibility of using Emerdata as a rebranding of Cambridge Analytica by buying the latter's data and intellectual property. More details could emerge when Cambridge Analytica files for bankruptcy protection in New York, as planned.

Damian Collins, the chair of the U.K. Parliament's media committee, told Sky News that he was "alive to the risk" that the company might try to rebrand itself.

WILL THE BANKRUPTCY STOP THE INVESTIGATION?

Absolutely not, say British authorities. Collins told Sky News that company leaders will "be in for a nasty surprise" if they think shutting Cambridge Analytica will make it possible to erase the data that prompted the investigation.

Facebook also says it will continue to seek answers "to understand exactly what happened and make sure it doesn't happen again."

Individuals and businesses are typically required to preserve evidence for known investigations, and in the U.S. it is a crime to intentionally destroy records or documents in a Chapter 11 bankruptcy filing.

It doesn't appear the closure would directly affect the parent company, SCL Group, making it more difficult to get rid of evidence on insolvency grounds. Wednesday's news release announcing the decision lists only Cambridge Analytica and SCL Elections, not the parent company.

IS FACEBOOK OFF THE HOOK?

Not at all.

Founder Mark Zuckerberg testified last month to the U.S. Congress about the use of the data in the presidential election. He acknowledged that tighter regulation of data is inevitable, but otherwise came away relatively unscathed — Facebook shares rose after his testimony.

The U.K. and EU parliaments also want Zuckerberg to answer their questions publicly, though he has so far declined. Collins last week repeated that, insisting that he needs to come clean on 40 questions Chief Technology Officer Mike Schroepfer failed to "fully" answer in April.

America mints more millionaire retirees than ever

By Suzanne Woolley
Bloomberg

American retirees are healthier and wealthier than ever. But wiser? A new report throws a little doubt on that notion.

Money manager United Income analyzed data from sources, including the Federal Reserve Board, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Census Bureau, the Internal Revenue Service, and the Centers for Disease Control, to examine the changing the lives of American retirees.

One of every six retirees in the U.S. is a millionaire (if you include the value of their homes), according to the new report. Their average wealth has risen more than 100 percent since 1989, to $752,000, and the share of those who are millionaires has doubled.

More retirees-62 percent-are enjoying life without physical or cognitive limitations, according to the data.

That number is up from 49 percent in 1963, the first year such data was taken.

Not all the findings were positive, however. "The largest change in activity is a near doubling of the amount of time retirees watch TV over the past 40 years," the report noted. (The latest data is for 2012.) The average retired 60-year-old now watches television almost three hours every day.

The increases were largest in high-income, highly educated households, which experienced a 78 percent rise in couch time since 1975, vs. 43 percent for lower-income households.

Retirees may not be learning much from their viewing habits, the report suggests. It cited 2016 Pew Research Center data showing that more than 55 percent of households older than age 65 watch cable news programs, and it noted that "one multi-country study found that public broadcast news (such as PBS) increased political knowledge, while cable news actually reduced knowledge that people have about actual events."

Income inequality has remained about the same among retirees since 1989. The picture changed dramatically when a household's financial assets came into play, however.

A rising stock market led to a 42 percent rise in wealth inequality among older Americans. "People have held incomes and spending constant over time," said Matt Fellowes, United Income's founder and chief executive officer. "The wealthiest retirees are wealthier but are not spending more, relative to previous generations." Fellowes believes many Americans are being unnecessarily frugal in their spending and are leading "overly contained" lives as a result.

The gap between the wealthy and the ultra-wealthy has also widened. The wealth of the median millionaire rose by about 12 percent from 1989 to 2016, while the median millionaire's equity position was swelling from 27 percent of financial accounts to 55 percent.

The wealth of the top 1 percent of millionaires, meanwhile, more than doubled, from $14.9 million to $31.3 million, in 2016 dollars, as their equity positions jumped from 30 percent to 69 percent, according to the report." It's clear that the dividends from being an investor are paying off for retirees fortunate enough to have savings and investments," said Fellowes.

"What's discouraging is that those who are not saving or investing are just getting left progressively farther and farther behind as each successive generation enters retirement."

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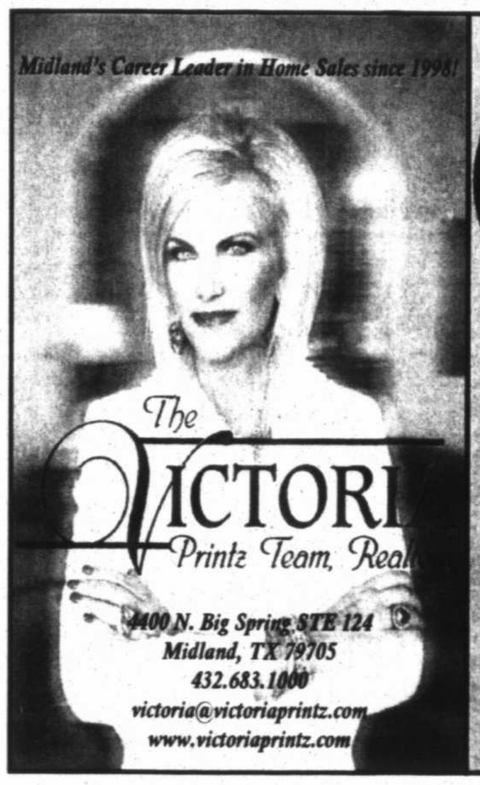

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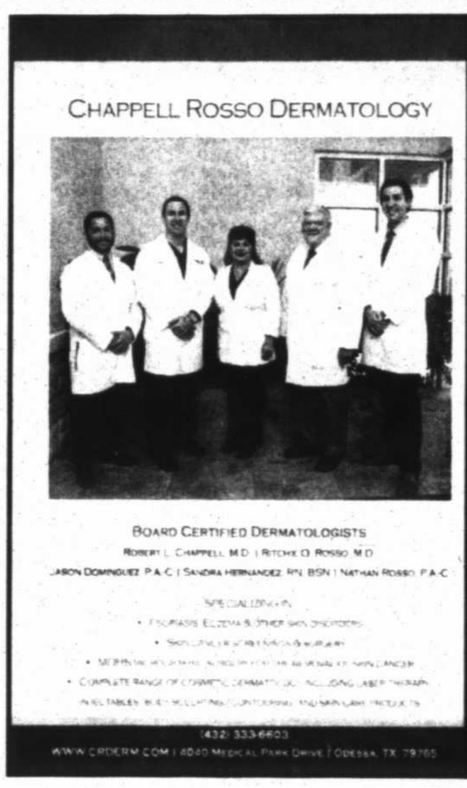

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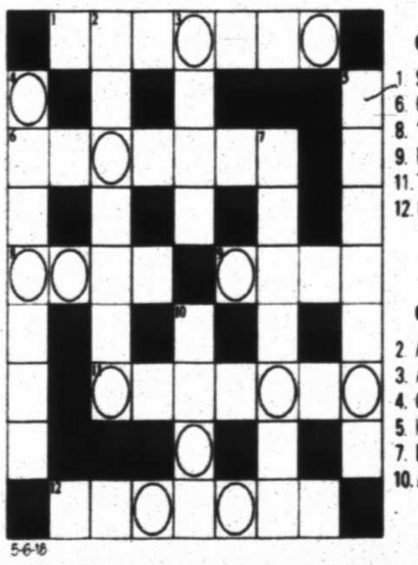
by David L. Hoyt

Sunday Puzzle



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1. Shy	SABLUFH
6. Circus star	BOTRCAA
8. "___ Las Vegas"	VAIV
9. Plum ___	ERTE
11. Type of rodent	MGMELIN
12. Crooked copy	REFYROG

DOWN

CLUE	ANSWER
2. Airport event	RAIRLAV
3. Airports and train stations	BUHS
4. Giving up, relinquishing	NIVGIWA
5. Kevin Costner movie	VRGENEE
7. Boston ___	RERIETR
10. Air pollution	MOSG

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Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

"WHERE HAVE YOU GONE?" By PAM AMICK KLAWITTER

ACROSS

1 Hogwarts' Mrs. Norris is one
4 Long-dist. threat
8 Night vision?
13 Bed covering
17 Wearer of hot pants?
19 Milhous : Nixon :: _ _ : Garfield
21 Goosebump-inducing
22 Big wind
23 One of the British?
24 Progressive rival
25 Common sights on Roman roads
26 Louisiane, par exemple
27 Soil expert's observations?
30 Fully enjoys
32 Alaska's _ Peninsula
33 Kid's backyard apparatus
35 "What's the __?"
36 Pixar clownfish
39 Grafton's "_ for Outlaw"
40 Tiny shape-shifters
44 Contest where anglers compete while jogging on the shore?
49 Musical array
51 Tokyo sash
52 Debtor's list
53 Highlands group
54 Sumatran swingers
58 It might be square
57 Sudoku box fillers: Abbr.
58 Tennis garb
60 Penetrating wind
61 Steffi's tennis-playing spouse
62 In the <now
64 Show eager anticipation
66 In vogue, with "the"
68 Where all the Aberdeen lads get together?
72 Logo on many sneakers
74 _ roll
75 Prepare to ride, in a way
79 Cora Sea sight
80 She plays Hermione in "Harry Potter" films
83 Big-headed club
85 Rocket end?
86 Spanish muralist
87 Vegas table postings
89 It feels like forever
90 IRS enforcers
91 "Mansplain" was added to it in Jan. 2018
92 Reward units
93 Knee-socks, essentially
96 Jupiter's locale
98 Bad ir Barcelona
99 Boring
100 Wide companion
101 Cafés and such
106 K, to Kay
110 Tried to sink, maybe
113 Adventurous Centennial State motto?
116 Greek love god
117 All together
119 "That's really spiffy!"
120 Long journey
121 _ noire
122 Barbie's original bestie
123 Rx
124 Ward of "Sisters"
125 Spa sounds
126 _ corps
127 Detective Dick's love
128 King of Spain

DOWN

1 Select from a menu, with "on"
2 Divider of rows
3 Prey grabber
4 Scheming Shakespearean soldier
5 Trucker, often
6 Overflows (with)
7 Rain forest parrot
8 Clears of condensation
9 Bit attachments
10 Clean the slate
11 Island in the stream
12 Barracks break
13 Paul's "Ebony and Ivory" partner
14 Like the studio forced to quit making 007 movies?
15 Strong support
16 Bodybuilder's pride
18 Tiny stingers
20 Formal proposal
28 Feudal land
29 Architect Jones
31 Bothersome goings-on
34 Ugli, for one
37 Doctorec drinks
38 Nobel Institute city
41 TV Drs. Isles and Quincy
42 Pull the plug
43 Web destination
44 Barrett of S Club 7
45 Outback bounders
46 Force out of office
47 Basic "Intro?
48 Singer's cue
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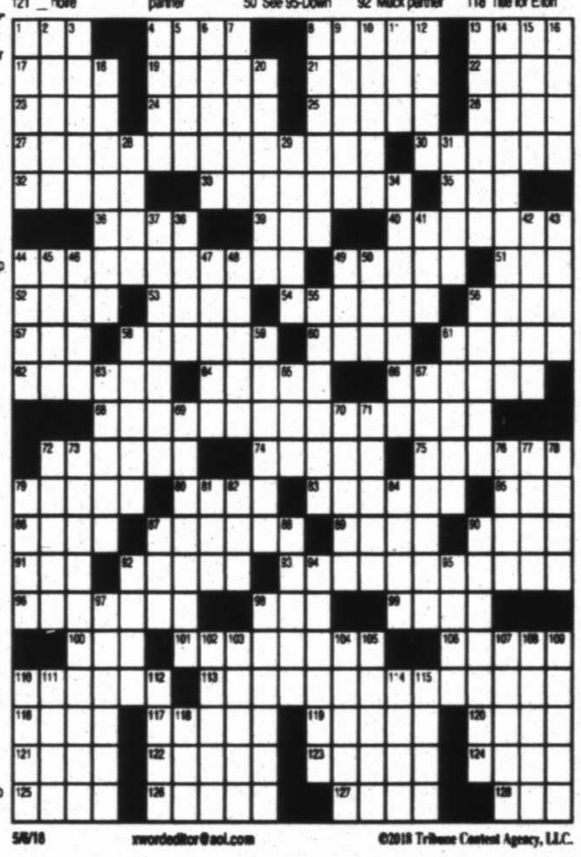

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Franklin Graham book shares lessons from'America's Pastor'

By Jonathan Drew
Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — Before the 2016 elections, Billy Graham's son went to the evangelist's mountain home, seeking advice before a 50-state tour to pray with Christian voters.

In his new book, "Through My Father's Eyes," Franklin Graham recounts that his father had concerns.

Billy Graham had become known as "America's Pastor" by advising presidents of both parties, from Dwight Eisenhower to George W. Bush. Would his son, coming into his own as a more partisan evangelical, be taking sides?

"He was concerned because it was a political year and that, 'Franklin you don't want this to be seen as political,'" the son said in an interview. "And that's why I went out of my way to make sure that this was a prayer rally. ... And I made sure I did not tell anyone how to vote."

The younger Graham pointedly avoided endorsing candidate Donald Trump, but neither did he abandon him, as other evangelicals did in response to scandals that surfaced during the campaign. He has since become an outspoken Trump ally, and writes in the book that he thanks God the Republican was elected.

As the leader of his father's namesake association and the Samaritan's Purse charity, Graham has been more in the spotlight since his father's death in February at age 99. It's a sensitive time for American Christians: While some evangelicals support Republicans without question, others struggle to find support in the Bible for what Trump says and does.

Graham acknowledges both conservative Christians and a wider audience in his book, which intersperses his views on religion, culture and Trump with quotes from his father and family anecdotes.

"I started by just looking at the things that I have learned from my father that I thought I could pass on to others, that would help them in their lives," Graham explained in an interview.

Each chapter starts with a Billy Graham quote, and there are poignant stories about their relationship, from the father's admonishment against playing with matches, to his advice to a son committing his life to Jesus at 22.

Others are laugh-out-loud funny, such as when Franklin Graham's mother, Ruth Graham, spotted a "most ridiculous-looking man" walking down a beach wearing loud shorts, black socks and Hush Puppy shoes: "As he drew closer, she gasped. 'Oh no, it's my husband!'"

But Graham, now 65, doesn't hold back his own views. He writes that while Republicans shouldn't take Christian voters for granted, "The progressives have infiltrated our schools, our government and our nation. Progressivism is nothing more than godless secularism, and it has stormed through the gates of America's bulwark."

And in a page-long condemnation of sex and vulgar language on television, he writes: "Freedom of speech has evolved into a massive monster."

While Graham is ostensibly referring to racy shows and advertisements, the pronouncement is open to multiple interpretations, said Bill Leonard, professor of Baptist Studies at Wake Forest University. "The country, and the Christian community in the U.S., is so divided that there will be some who will read him and think he's trying to put words in his father's mouth. But then there will be others who say Franklin is standing in the footsteps of his father."

Asked how he squares his book's admonishments against profanity and pornography with his defense of Trump, who has been accused of sexually harassing women and trying to cover up an affair with a porn star, Graham gave a measured answer.

"On this thing with Stormy Daniels and so forth: This stuff happened 12 years ago. This isn't behavior that has taken place since he's been president. These things happened long before he became president," he said in the interview. "That doesn't make it right. And I don't defend those kinds of relationships he had. But the country knew the kind of person he was back then, and they still made the decision to make him the president of the United States."

As for his criticism of progressives, he says he's not trying to align with either party.

"Unfortunately this progressive movement is more prevalent right now in the Democratic Party, but it's also in the Republican Party. And it's growing. And this is a very dangerous thing," he said. "I was a Republican and I went independent — I just got sick of all of them and didn't want to be beholden to any group."

Eschewing party labels would likely have pleased the father Graham describes as a humble man who wanted to keep the focus on God.

Some have started working to place a statue of him in the Capitol, while others are petitioning for a Billy Graham holiday.

"My father would have said: 'This is too much Billy Graham.' He wouldn't have liked it," Graham said. "There was discussion at one time about taking his name off the name of the organization. He didn't like it being called the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association. He didn't want people talking about Billy Graham. And this is one of the things in the book that I want to try to get people to understand: My father wanted his life to be about God."

Warren Jeffs' Utah home converted into sober living house

By Brady McCombs
Associated Press

Chris Caldwell/The Spectrum via AP

People work to renovate the Short Creek Dream Center, formally the home of polygamous sect leader Warren Jeffs on April 30 in Hildale, Utah. The sprawling house surrounded by towering brick walls has been converted into a sober living center by Evangelical missionaries, the latest sign of the group's dwindling control of the small community on the Utah-Arizona border.

SALT LAKE CITY — A sprawling 44-bedroom house surrounded by towering brick walls that was the home base for polygamous sect leader Warren Jeffs has been converted into a sober living center by Evangelical missionaries. It's the latest sign of his group's dwindling control of the small community on the Utah-Arizona border.

Jeffs hasn't lived in the three-story home known as the "Big House" for years because he's serving a life sentence in Texas for sexually assaulting underage girls he considered brides. In his absence, his religious group known as the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, or FLDS, has been weakened amid government crackdowns and an exodus of members who were kicked out or decided to leave.

The 29,000-square-foot house that was built around 2000 has been modernized, but remnants of Jeffs' legacy remain.

A secret room under the home's main entrance can only be accessed through a linen closet by pulling a hidden latch that resembles a light switch that allows a person to slide open the shelving and push open a door, said Glyn and Jena Jones, who run the sober living center. The safe that Jeffs used to store religious records remains inside.

On the outside of the chimney, letters run vertically that read, "Pray and obey." Inside the house, there is still wiring that was likely used for surveillance cameras and to tap into phones throughout the house, the Joneses said.

The home is among about 150 that have been redistributed to former sect members in recent years after a church-run trust was seized by the Utah state government. A couple of homes have been converted into bed and breakfasts.

Jeffs' 65th wife, Briell Decker, was granted the right to buy the home for a discounted price of $600,000 by a community board overseeing the redistribution. Decker, who left the FLDS some six years ago, said she didn't have enough money so she sought someone who would help her turn a house that stood as a symbol of oppression to her and other former sect members into something that would spark hope.

That's how she met the Joneses, a California couple who said they felt called by God three years ago to move with their teenage daughter to the community that straddles the Utah-Arizona border. They are affiliated with the faith-based Dream Center network out of Phoenix that has 267 centers around the world.

An arrangement allows the Dream Center to lease the house for a year with an option to buy it if everything goes well, said Jeff Barlow, executive director of the organization that oversees properties in the trust in the sister cities of Hildale, Utah, and Colorado City, Arizona.

The Jones said they hope the "Short Creek Dream Center " helps former FLDS members transition into life outside of the secluded sect and receive life skills help, said the Joneses. They plan to focus on women and people in need of a sober living environment. They also want to make the house a place where the community can gather and reconnect by playing basketball, video games or board games and watching movies and having potluck dinners. There is a chapel for Sunday worship.

Sponsors adopt rooms and choose the decor. There are more than 50 bathrooms and two commercial sized kitchens in the house and capacity for about 70 people, Glyn Jones said.

The community's demographics are shifting as former members seize more control of a town at the foot of picturesque red rock cliffs that had been run for a century by leaders of the sect, which is a radical offshoot of mainstream Mormonism whose members believe polygamy brings exaltation in heaven.

Polygamy is a legacy of the early teachings of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, but the mainstream church abandoned the practice in 1890 and now strictly prohibits it.

Decker, 32, is remarried and now lives in the Salt Lake City area. She was known as Lynette Warner when she was forced into an arranged marriage with Jeffs at the age of 18, which she said made her feel terrified.

She said she lived in the house for about four months but Warren Jeffs was never there because he was on the run from the FBI on accusations of child sexual abuse. She called the conversion of the house a "dream come true."

"I wanted it to benefit other people," Decker said. "I wanted people leaving the religion to have somewhere to land."

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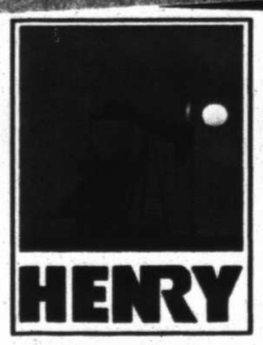

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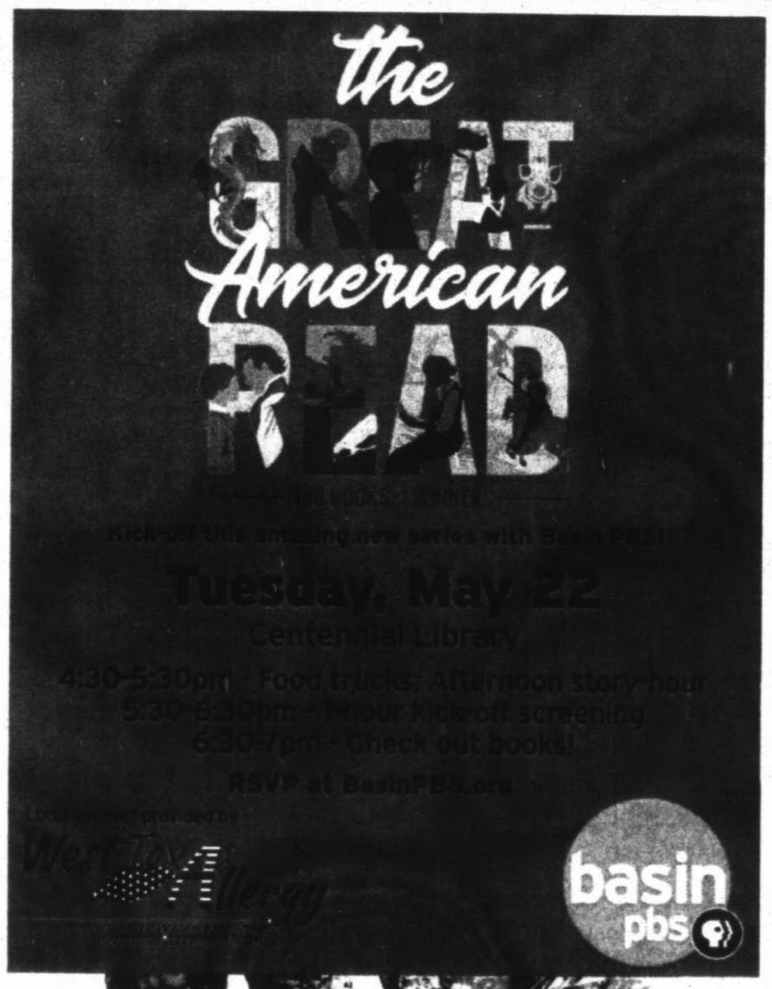

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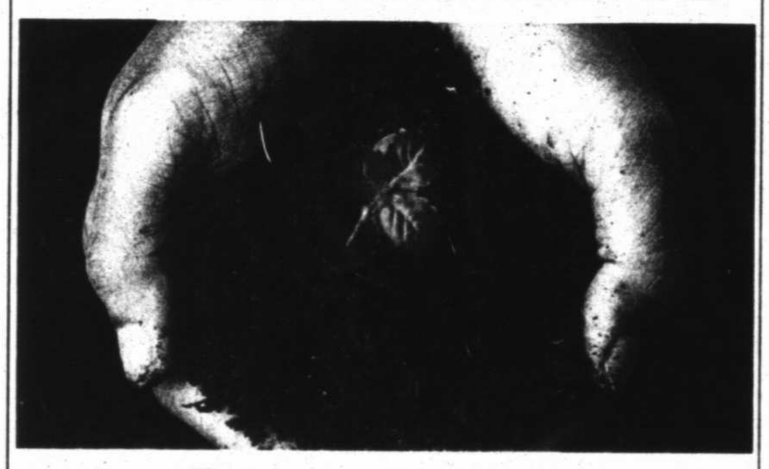

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VIEWPOINTS

Texas Prosperity Promise will help avoid mistakes

KEVIN ROBERTS
Texas Public Policy Foundation

Here's an interesting fact about the Doobie Brothers. When the band first formed in 1970, "the Doobie Brothers" was never supposed to be the permanent name — just something to go by until they thought of something better. But nothing better came along, so their name was made permanent with their 1971 self-titled album. They kept a name that all of the original members reportedly disliked — through inaction.

I bring up the Doobie Brothers because of their recent performance in Midland, staged thanks to a $50,000 performance deposit paid by Midland County.

According to an excellent Midland Reporter-Telegram editorial, the county judge defended the expense by saying, "The investment is you enrich their lives with entertainment that they haven't seen out here."

The problem is that's not the proper role of county government. It's not an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars.

But like the Doobie Brothers themselves, government at all levels tends to get bigger and bigger, almost by default. Unless action is taken, that temporary band name will stick — or a new duty or expense will be undertaken and taxpayer funds will find new ways out of government coffers.

And that's why the Texas Public Policy Foundation is calling for action, through the Texas Prosperity Promise.

In less than a year, the Texas Legislature will be back in session, with the opportunity to either enact policies that advance the cause of liberty, or roll back the reforms that have enabled Texans to prosper.

The Promise lays out policies that will result in a high-quality education system, fair

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NEXT GENERATION

Brett Coomer/Houston Chronicle

Jessica Bertsch takes a virtual tour Monday of Boka Atlantis, dive support vessel, at the Boskalis booth during the 50th Offshore Technology Conference in Houston.

Digital natives perfect for industry's crew change

CHRIS TOMLINSON
Houston Chronicle

More than a third of the workers in the U.S. oil industry will retire in the next five-to-10 years, but as executives look to recruit the next generation, they are not looking for the skills of the past.

What the industry calls "The Great Crew Change" coincides with "The Digitalization of Everything," changing the prerequisites for even the most basic jobs in the oil and gas industry. This new approach to work couldn't come soon enough for an industry that struggles to attract and excite young people who have grown up in the digital world.

"The first tasks that are going to be automated offshore is essentially the heavyweight ones, the unsafe tasks," Peter Moles, director of emerging technologies at Oceaneering, said during the Offshore Technology Conference. "When you look at automation, we're trying to put the experts on the beach. We don't want anyone offshore."

The oil and gas industry, particularly the offshore sector, is focused on reducing accidents and lowering costs. In this case, the priorities are complementary, achieved by employing fewer people in dangerous places.

For years, drillers have slowly moved jobs off the rigs and into Houston offices, where workers cost less and can sleep in their own beds. With lessons from the Deepwater Horizon accident in mind, BP is using intellectual property from the NASA's Mars Rover mission to improve remote operations, said Tim Airey, an artificial intelligence and robotics technologist at BP.

"The confluence of robotics and sensor capabilities is exponentially brewing," he said. The company is studying how humans can operate machines from the other side of the planet.

Companies are also studying how computers with artificial intelligence can use the enormous amounts of data they

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Tuesday protest aims for different district approach to bullying

DANI SHEPARD
Midland Moms on a Mission

Alleged student-on-student sexual molestation, beatings, harassment, demands for a person to kill themselves and suicide attempts — these acts are taking place in Midland's public schools.

Midland Moms on a Mission believes the safety of our children should always be a top priority. We also believe there are people inside Midland ISD who are enabling crime and minimizing victims' suffering.

What used to be called "bullying" is now criminal acts — plain and simple. The lives of our children are being threatened every day. In almost all of these incidents, we believe there are district officials who have manipulated, intimidated, ignored or simply pretended nothing ever happened.

These crimes are taking place in kindergarten through 12th grade, and district officials are downplaying or going through ineffective investigations that don't appear in search of the truth. Parents have been repeatedly told that the investigations did not find enough evidence — case closed. No punishment is given; no justice is served. Parents of these victims are completely lost about what to do. The process is not fair to the families impacted by bullying, and parents deserve more than thinking they can only throw up their hands and walk away.

It is time our community hears the victims. Midland Moms on a Mission demands to know why the district fails our children and has put their safety at risk. We spoke at an April board meeting about the suffering taking place, and this week, we will be heard again.

Midland Moms on a Mission will hold a protest at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday in front of MISD Central Office, 615 W. Missouri Ave. We will communicate with officials about the victims coming forward. We will say "*enough*."

In holding this protest we hope to accomplish the following:

- complete change in procedure for parents to report "bullying;"

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MITCHELL SCHNURMAN
Dallas Morning News

Ken Paxton just made it harder to attract Amazon HQ2

Does Amazon need another reason to knock Dallas off the list for its second headquarters? Attorney General Ken Paxton is doing plenty to hurt our chances.

Last week, Paxton filed a lawsuit to end Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, the Obama-era program that offers temporary status to unauthorized immigrants who grew up in America and finished school here. Six states joined the suit.

Like hundreds of other companies, Amazon is a big supporter of the so-called Dreamers. Last fall, Amazon was among the marquee names that signed on to a multistate lawsuit to keep DACA in place. In January 2017, Amazon founder Jeff Bezos also opposed the travel ban ordered by President Donald Trump.

"We're a nation of immigrants whose diverse backgrounds, ideas and points of view have helped us build and invent as a nation for over 240 years," Bezos said at the time.

That history is relevant because Amazon is now evaluating bids to host a second headquarters, known as HQ2. It plans to eventually invest up to $5 billion and employ 50,000 high-paid workers, a bounty that set off an intense competition to land the prize.

Amazon received offers from 238 locations and chose 20 finalists. Dallas and Austin made the cut, but the other six states that joined Paxton's suit don't have a city on the list.

We have a lot on the line with Amazon, and Paxton just complicated our closing argument. Being hostile to immigrants — undocumented or otherwise — is not a pro-business plank.

And attacking DACA, which is already being contested, reinforces some of the worst impressions of Texas: that top elected leaders are intolerant and unwelcoming — and willing to go after a vulnerable minority to score political points.

"For global businesses that are looking to expand, these things matter," said Jeremy Robbins, executive director of New American Economy, a bipartisan group that advocates for immigration reform. "These companies want to be in places that people are proud of."

THROWBACK MOVE

The move is a throwback to last summer. That's when the governor, lieutenant governor and other elected officials attracted national scorn for pushing a bathroom bill that targeted transgender Texans. Amazon was among the dozens of companies that publicly resisted and helped hold off the legislation.

Dreamers have a great deal of public support, in part because they arrived here as children and have made positive contributions. An estimated 1.3 million residents nationwide — and more than 63,000 in the Dallas area — are eligible for DACA. They earned almost $20 billion in income and contributed roughly $3 billion in taxes in 2015.

Almost 800,000 signed up for DACA but an estimated half a million did not enroll. Some didn't have the documentation and others feared they could become targets for deportation, Robbins said.

Last fall, Trump set a six-month deadline to end DACA and said he wanted Congress to fix the situation, which didn't happen.

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When the state condemns a disabled child to death

MARC A. THIESSEN
The Washington Post

Imagine your own beloved child was lying in a hospital with a mysterious brain disease. Should you, as the parent, be allowed to decide whether to continue treatment for your son or daughter? Or should the state have the power to overrule you and cut off life support over your objections?

The vast majority of Americans say the final decision should be left with parents. That's because, under our system, the purpose of the state is to protect our inalienable rights to life and liberty. But in Britain, it seems, the state has the power to trample life and liberty and condemn a disabled child to death.

That is precisely what the British High Court of Justice did in the case of Alfie Evans, a little boy who suffered from a rapidly progressive terminal brain disease. Doctors at London's Alder Hey Children's Hospital concluded that further treatment was futile and asked the court — over his parents' objections — to order the removal of his ventilator. Alfie's parents pleaded for permission to transfer him to Bambino Gesù Pediatric Hospital in Rome, where doctors had agreed to take over his treatment at no cost. Pope Francis had arranged free medical transport, and the Italian government had granted Alfie citizenship to facilitate his transfer. A hospital in Munich had also offered to relieve British doctors of the burden of caring for Alfie.

But the court ruled that it was in Alfie's "best interests" to die. Doctors had told the court he might "be able to muster just a handful of breaths and survive just a few minutes if ventilation were completely stopped." In fact, he kept fighting to live for five full days without life support. A phalanx of police officers was posted outside his hospital, holding the child hostage in order to ensure that his mom and dad did not try to take him away while the death sentence was carried out.

This is, quite simply, tyrannical. It is one thing for a judge to decide that British taxpayers should not have to bear the cost of what doctors in its national health service have concluded is futile treatment. Under a single-payer system, resources are limited and care is rationed (which is why we don't want socialized medicine here in America). But where does a British court get the right to deny the child life-extending treatment abroad when someone else is willing to pay for it? Who gave the British state the right to determine what kind of life is worth living and for how long?

Diabolically, High Court Justice Anthony Hayden actually cited the pope in justifying his decision to end Alfie's life, quoting out-of-context a speech Francis gave in which he warned against "the temptation to insist on treatments that have powerful effects on the body, yet at times do not serve the integral good of the person." But Francis also declared in that speech that decisions about whether to continue treatment "should be made by the patient." Nowhere did he say such decisions should be made by the state. And indeed, the pontiff made clear he stood with Alfie's parents, tweeting, "I renew my appeal that the suffering of his parents may be heard and that their desire to seek new forms of treatment may be granted." For the British High Court to twist the pope's words to justify killing a little boy is monstrous.

The culture of death is on the march across Europe. CBS News recently reported that Iceland was on the verge of "eliminating" Down syndrome, not by some medical miracle but because the country's abortion rate for Down syndrome babies is close to 100 percent. Now, with Alfie Evans and previously Charlie Gard, British courts have ordered the death of disabled children over the objections of parents.

That is barbaric. Nikolaus Haas, a German physician who had offered to take over Alfie's care, told the court, "Because of our history in Germany, we've learned that there are some things you just don't do with severely handicapped children. A society must be prepared to look after these severely handicapped children and not decide that life support has to be withdrawn against the will of the parents." Hayden declared this "inflammatory." In fact, the comparison is spot on. London survived the Blitz to stop the advance of a regime bent on the eugenic killing of, among others, the handicapped. Now Britain has such a regime anyway, by self-imposed judicial fiat.

Unless Americans are vigilant, it is only a matter of time before it happens here.

Obituaries

Birtie N. Reasno "Redd"

Birtie N. Reasno "Redd" received her Angel Wings on Tuesday May 1, 2018. She was born in Paris, Texas on May 21, 1947 to Mae Catherine Reasno and Joseph McCarty.

In the early 1970's she relocated to Midland, Texas where she worked for various employers: Club Jamaica, Racquet Club, Manor Park, and Rockhouse of Midland.

She enjoyed cooking, bowling, bingo, and was the domino queen. Her beautiful smile, humorous nature and Sunday dinners where everyone was welcomed will be greatly missed.

Her mother, Mac Catherine Reasno; Joseph McCarty; great aunt, Carrie Smith; sisters, Tommie Ann Smith and Debra McCarty; brother, Kenneth McCarty; nephews Milton Reasno and Kenneth Smith preceded her in death.

She leaves to cherish her memory her son, Anthony K. Reasno "Peter Pan" (Barbara); daughter Wynetta C. Reasno "Chicken" both of Midland,TX; grandsons, Anthony R. Reasno "Spud" and Relandus D Swann "Nuke"; granddaughters, Kandice polk and Andrea M. McDowell (Nathan); 7 great grandchildren: Dairylan, Cu'ran, A'Kirrah, Niayla, Kelcie, A'Mora and Nathan all of Midland,TX and Janice Tinner of Odessa, Tx; a brother Joseph McCarthy of Paris,TX; a special cousin Mother Carolyn Yates of Dallas, TX; and numerous nieces, nephew, relatives, and friends.

Celebration of Life Services will be held Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 12:00 pm noon at Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, services entrusted to Jackie Warren funeral Home 702 S. Terrell St., Midland,TX. A second Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, May 12 2018 at 11:00 am at Mt. Pisgah, Paris,TX.

Loyce Lynn Martin

Loyce Lynn Martin was 76 years old, and passed away on April 25, 2018 at Harbor Lakes Care Center in Granbury, Texas.

Loyce, along with her twin sister Joyce, was born in Smithville, Texas in 1942 to Leon and Lucille Volcik. She graduated from Midway High School in Waco and went on to graduate from the University of North Texas in 1964 with a BA in Education and English.

She married her high school sweetheart, William "Billy" Robert Martin, in 1965. "Mrs. Martin" taught 7th grade English for 33 years and was devoted to her job and her students until the day she retired in 1997. The Texas school districts where Loyce taught included Richardson, Georgetown, Plains, Tulia, Fort Stockton, and Midland. She developed lasting friendships from her childhood and her years of teaching.

Being a dedicated mother and wife was equally important to her, and she supported her three children in all of their activities and the teams that Bill coached.

Loyce was a faithful church member and the United Methodist Church was graced with her membership. She taught and participated in Sunday school. During her retirement in Ruidoso, NM, she was involved in Parish Health Ministries. Hymns and music in the church were especially meaningful to her.

Her greatest joy in recent years were her 2 grandsons, Stephen and Carter, who affectionately called her "Grammar". She loved making her signature photo books with poems for their birthdays every year. Designing cards, books, and care packages for friends and family was her favorite hobby. Taking daily walks and spending time with old friends and family were also of great value to her.

Loyce is survived by her children and their families, Todd Martin of Greenwood, TX; Cheryl, Rusty, and Stephen Teeter of Austin, TX; Burke, Holly and Carter Martin of Granbury, TX. Other survivors include her four siblings, Joyce Rice, Leona Hammel, Jerry Volcik, and Jan Oliver, and a host of other family and friends. She was preceded in death by her husband William Robert Martin and her parents Leon and Lucille Volcik.

Rev. Wilson Pruitt will conduct the memorial service at Berkeley United Methodist Church in Austin, TX on May 19, 2018 at 1:00 p.m..

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial contributions be made to the Community United Methodist Church, 220 Junction Road, Ruidoso, NM 88355.

Condolences may be left *www.cookwaldenforestoaks.com*

Tony Bob Storey

Tony Bob Storey, age 54, of the English Community, passed away Thursday, May 3, 2018, at his residence.

Tony Bob was a family man. If there were words to describe him, it would be "Good Ole Boy". He was a hard worker, loved motorcycles and a selfless person. Tony Bob was faithful in caring for his mother after his father died. He was a 1982 graduate of Avery High School. Tony Bob was born, December 28, 1963, in Midland to Bobby Dean "Bob" and Annie Pearl Burrow Storey. Tony Bob took pride in his cooking and his accomplished BBQ and seasoning. He was preceded in death by his father; and his brother, Larry Dean Storey. Tony Bob was employed by the Huhtamaki Company in Clarksville.

Funeral services are set for 10:30 a.m., Monday, May 7, 2018, in Lindeman Chapel of Clarksville Funeral Home with Bro. Robert Kepple officiating. Burial will follow in English Cemetery under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

Visitation will be Sunday afternoon from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m., at Clarksville Funeral Home.

Survivors include his mother, Annie Pearl Storey of the English Community; 1 son, Mark McClurg of Federal Way, Washington; 2 daughters, Karen Storey of Midland and Sarah Murphy and husband, Jerry of Midland; 3 sisters, Sandra Storey Embrey of Clarksville, Rhonda Storey Reed and husband, Guy of Odessa and Lisa Hadley and husband, Glen of Midland; 3 grandchildren, Izabelle, Elizabeth and Jerry, Jr.

Memorials may be made in Tony Bob's name to the English Cemetery Society; P.O. Box 6, Clarksville, Texas 75426.

Memories and condolences may be added at *www.clarksvillefuneralhome.com*.

Death Notices

Eugenie H. Maynes

Eugenie H. Maynes, of Midland, Texas, passed away at age 84 on May 2, 2018.

Eugenie is survived by her loving daughter, Karen Michele Maynes.

Friends and family are welcome to attend the graveside service on Monday, May 7, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at Serenity Memorial Gardens.

Marilyn Doran Irving

Marilyn Doran Irving, 88, of Midland, Texas passed away on Thursday, May 3, 2018 surrounded by her family. Memorial services will be held on Saturday, May 12, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at Crestview Baptist Church.

She is survived by her children, Ray Irving, Eddie Irving, SuSu Vancil, and Ralph Irving.

Flowers can be sent to Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

Mary G. Perez

Mary G. Perez, 60, passed away May 4, 2018 in Midland.

Services are pending with Avalos-Sanchez & Thomas Funeral Home.

All Obituaries must be submitted by 3:30 P.M. prior to next publication day.

ROBERTS

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taxation, responsible spending, more accountability, and a renewal of self-governance. It's more than a plan for the next legislative session: it's a commitment to the guiding values that are critical to keeping Texas prosperous and free.

The Texas Prosperity Promise calls for three vital reforms to our education system. First, Texas must replace its complex school finance system with a student-centered finance system that is focused on funding one thing — the delivery of a top-notch education to Texas public school students. Second, Texas families deserve the freedom to choose the best education possible. The state legislature should empower parents and students — not a bureaucracy — to decide how their education dollars are spent. And finally, lawmakers should remove onerous mandates that hamper student success and, instead, give teachers and school leaders more flexibility to innovate in the classroom.

On property taxes, the state legislature should reduce the crushing burden on home and business owners so that they can truly own their property rather than pay rent to the state forever — and then offset those taxes with state revenue.

And it should rein what local governments — including cities and counties — can spend by limiting property tax revenue increases to no more than 2.5 percent per year without a public referendum.

On spending, state and local officials should operate within their means and adopt responsible, conservative budgets.

That means limiting spending increases to no more than 4 percent or population growth plus inflation, whichever is less, to sustain economic prosperity in Texas.

Next, we know that only transparent, accountable government truly serves the will of the people. So, we have focused on two specific reforms that will help to ensure accountability. First, the Legislature should protect taxpayers from funding special interests by prohibiting government from hiring lobbyists. The city of Austin, for example, voted to spend nearly $1 million in public funds on lobbyists in 2016 — mostly to fight measures that Texans widely support, such as tax and spending reforms and ending forced annexation.

And second, we must end automatic contributions to unions by public employees. They are free to join unions and pay dues, but the state of Texas shouldn't be the unions' collections arm.

Finally, TPPF recognizes the need to improve civics education for Texas students. Self-government depends on understanding our founding and our history. The state legislature should restore the true intent of existing law that requires, in universities and K-12 schools, the teaching of American history and government, not the weak substitute courses that have become commonplace. It should also focus on strengthening civics education in every Texas secondary school. Similarly, the State Board of Education and university regents should reform our history and civics curriculum to ensure students learn basic American history, government, economics, and Western civilization.

If you support these principles and wish to communicate your support in an effective way to our legislators, we hope you will sign the Texas Prosperity Promise.

https://www.texaspolicy.com/about/prosperitypromise

We know that without considered action, government tends to grow and become more and more involved in our lives. As that Doobie Brothers concert shows, we ought not let that happen.

Kevin Roberts, Ph.D., is executive vice president of the Texas Public Policy Foundation.

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TOMLINSON

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collect to help engineers make better decisions. Energy companies are far behind other industries, said Rustom Mody, vice president for technical excellence and enterprise technology at oilfield service company Baker Hughes.

Most companies only use their data to monitor and diagnose problems, but the next step is using the data to optimize operations and predict problems so that unplanned outages are a thing of the past, Mody explained. That means hiring more software engineers.

"Instead of our engineers leaving the industry and going to Apple and Google and Facebook, we have to start attracting them and pulling them back to us," he said. "Without humans, well-trained employees, it's very difficult to embark on this journey. Not only do we need to develop new talent, we have to be able to attract new talent."

Industry veterans love to talk about the early years of their career, traveling the world to spend weeks at a time on offshore rigs with nothing but the ocean for as far as they could see. Many brag about their role managing billion-dollar pieces of equipment, while others lament the time away from loved ones.

Yet in the Internet age, when telecommunications have shrunk the world, companies find it difficult to convince young engineers to isolate themselves to advance their career. Instead of using the Internet to connect with home, they ask, why not use it to connect to work. And why look at faux representations of old-school gauges when computers can present data with complex visualizations that present the most urgent data first.

"In mixed reality or virtual reality, we don't have to replace the control panels we see today. We could look at an engineer stepping into a virtual world and having data presented in a very different format," Airey said.

Companies are trying to answer these answers. Some envision entirely robotic offshore rigs, served by unmanned vessels and operated by human beings immersed in a virtual world where artificial intelligence prompts them to make the best decisions.

"You want it to be completely autonomous, a lights-out, fully-operational facility," Mody explained.

Engineers, builders and operators will keep their jobs, but skilled onboard laborers will not.

"The majority of people who are offshore are operating machinery, which will probably, unfortunately, go away and be replaced with people who analyze the data," Moles said. "It's going to be people who are more theory orientated, who understand the operations, rather than folks actually doing the tasks."

Every expert agreed that this evolution will take years, if not decades, to complete. But when faced with the expense and risk of flying crews to dangerous offshore rigs, the idea of gigantic, oil and gas-gathering robots controlled by humans and computers in the home office is idyll.

And it's certainly more appealing to an Internet generation more adept with handsets than hand tools. A great digital transformation is taking place, and its coincidence with the great crew change could not be more convenient.

SHEPARD

From 1B

■ punishment for administrators involved in ignoring the facts; and

■ better communication with families impacted by bullying and other heinous acts.

Midland Moms on a Mission also is calling for an investigation into the district's actions when it comes to dealing with incidents taking place on campuses.

What we allow is what will continue. We beg this community to come stand with us. It is not enough to be compassionate. Midland residents must act; we must hold accountable those who have let this go on for far too long.

Our organization — Midland Moms on a Mission — has stated from the beginning that there are far more good than bad. We have some of the most amazing teachers, counselors and principals. Our conversations with teachers lead us to believe some fear Midland can be the next "Columbine." We can do everything right as parents, yet we fail them every day by trusting MISD to protect them. A safe school with a decent education is not a privilege; it's their *right*. In order to get this crisis recognized by authorities, we've reached out to many but have not made the progress we need. There is power in numbers, and we need everyone, so the media will take notice, thus bringing the severity of this crisis to the right people's attention.

"You may choose to look the other way but you can never say again that you did not know."

We would appreciate your support.

Cowboy era lives on at Fort Worth Stockyards

TUMBLEWEED SMITH

The cowboy era, which brings up images of trail drives, cattle and life on the range, lasted less than 20 years, but the legacy of that time carries through to today. When I was growing up in Fort Worth, I used to drive to the stockyards to pick up sides of beef for my father's grocery store. Being there made me feel like a cowboy.

After the Civil War, Americans acquired a taste for beef. There was plenty of it on hoof in Texas, where cattle sold for $4 a head. In Kansas, the same cow brought $40. Great cattle drives started from the Rio Grande northward.

The Chisholm Trail passed through Fort Worth. When the railroad arrived in 1876, Fort Worth became a major shipping point for livestock. So the city built the stockyards 2 1/2 miles north of the Tarrant County Court House. They opened in 1887.

One of the investors was Louville Niles of Boston, whose primary business was meatpacking. He convinced investors that instead of shipping the cattle to other markets to be processed, they should build meatpacking plants. By 1900, both Swift and Armour started building facilities. They were completed in 1902. That same year, the Livestock Exchange Building was built. It housed livestock commission companies, telegraph and railroad offices and other support businesses. It became known as the Wall Street of the West.

In 1911, the stockyards and packinghouse area became a little village called Niles City, which at the time was known as the richest little city in the world with a property value of $30 million. In 1923 it was annexed as part of Fort Worth.

The stockyards needed a show facility, so in 1907 construction began on the Cowtown Coliseum. It became home to the first indoor rodeo.

Five million head of livestock passed through the stockyards. During World War I, the stockyards were the largest horse and mule market in the world. Military officers came from allied countries to purchase animals.

The peak year for the stockyards was 1944. Then began the decline of the railroads, which brought about the decline of the stockyards. After World War II, newly paved roads gave rise to the trucking industry, so the market moved to ranches and feed lots.

Armour closed in 1962 and Swift in 1971. The Armour plant was demolished, but Swift became the Old Spaghetti Warehouse. Now it houses an energy company.

The North Fort Worth Historical Society was established in 1971. It helped organize the Stockyards National Historical District and built a museum in the Exchange Building. The area is one of the state's most popular tourist attractions. Visitors enjoy a little bit of the Old West with cattle drives daily at 11:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., when cowboys on horseback guide a herd of longhorns down Exchange Avenue.

White House correspondents dinner was missed opportunity

KEN HERMAN
Austin American-Statesman

In 2006, seated at the head table at the White House Correspondents Association dinner as an elected member of the association's board, I was uncomfortable about Stephen Colbert's performance as the evening's guest comedian.

While much of the nation was familiar with Colbert's shtick, I was not, not having ever watched his Comedy Central show. FYI, I'm now a nightly fan of Colbert and find his humor intelligent, if pointed, and at this odd juncture in American history pointed in a direction I share.

Our current president often is not very presidential.

Anyway, a year later the association opted for something safer for the 2007 dinner at which I again sat at the head table. (Perhaps they were sympathetic to the feelings of people like me that Colbert had overtargeted his comedic genius at then-President George W. Bush -- who sat a few feet away during the performance.)

Washington Post columnist and Texan Karen Tumulty remembered it this way in a tweet as the controversy about comedian Michelle Wolf's performance at this year's White House Correspondents Association dinner roiled the nation:

"A year after (Colbert) did an edgy routine to a near-silent room at the 2006 (dinner), they overcompensated with the very safe choice of Rich Little. Canadian jokes and Johnny Carson impersonations, anyone?"

Don't get me wrong. I'm a fan of impressionists (Dana Carvey, Frank Caliendo, Edgar Degas) but by 2007 Little was a bit dated. Safe, but dated.

Fast forward to this year's White House Correspondents Association dinner, which I watched on TV. Wolf's performance was out of bounds. It was in keeping with past dinners and past roastings of presidents (and others), but unproductive for the times in which we all live and in which journalists work.

Because I try to be a man of our times, I took to Twitter to express my concerns, doing so by piggybacking on a tweet from The New York Times' Peter Baker, a journalist whose talent and objectivity I respect.

"Unfortunately," Baker tweeted, "I don't think we advanced the cause of journalism tonight."

Thinking he had nailed it with his outrage-free understated comment, I retweeted his comment, adding, "As a former WHCA board member, I have to agree."

By Monday morning, my comment had about 3,000 Twitterverse likes and the kind of comments I anticipated from President Donald Trump supporters who had been given what they saw as evidence of mainstream media animus to him. This despite the fact that Wolf also lobbed her vicious barbs at journalists and Democrats.

I opted to engage in a Twitter back-and-forth with one commenter to see how it would go. I selected Richard, who, as I feared, has no idea how White House coverage works. The way he thinks it should work is frightening: Beneficial when there's a president he likes, harmful when there's a president he doesn't like. And incredibly dangerous and unAmerican to us all regardless of our feelings about any particular president.

Richard self-IDs on Twitter as a Floridian who's "a proud conservative" supporting congressional term limits.

He responded to my endorsement of Baker's tweet by tweeting, "The WH Press was beyond rude and insulting. I hope (Press Secretary Sarah) Sanders pulls all of their credentials and gets reporters from middle America."

This is the dangerous ground on which Richard trod. I informed him that "The White House press secretary does not select who covers the White House."

I assumed he'd understand why that would be a bad idea. I was wrong.

He wants Sanders to yank the credentials of correspondents whose reporting he does not like.

I told him she does not have that authority.

"I'm so furious I don't really want to get in a debate with you or any of your ilk right now," he told me. "I will be pushing for Sarah to get rid of the WH press as it is presently constituted. We need to get some conservatives or at least fair people in there."

I suggested Richard needed to do some homework on how White House correspondents get to be White House correspondents. He said he didn't care "how they get the credentials. I just want them to have them yanked and yes, the press secretary can walk up to (CNN's Jim) Acosta and give him 30 seconds to get out before the Secret Service throws him out."

Yes, I responded, "Only if he is deemed a security risk. Not for what he reports."

We back-and-forthed a little more. I let Richard have the last tweet: "The WH press nailed the last nail in the coffin tonight and I am just happy to have watched Trump's rally in Washington, Michigan than the self-indulgent, back-slapping snowflakes."

I understood, and regretted, that the dinner had provided fodder for press-hating Americans. (I also understood that Richard was commenting on a dinner he says he hadn't watched and was basing his outrage on the journalism he had seen about it.)

I was pleased that association President Margaret Talev of Bloomberg News told members Wolf's performance "was not in the spirit" of the association's intent "to offer a unifying message about our common commitment to a vigorous and free press while honoring civility, great reporting and scholarship winners, not to divide people."

Mission unaccomplished. Opportunity missed.

Like Talev, I'm sorry an entertainer's comic turn overshadowed Talev's important remarks at the dinner:

"We reject efforts by anyone, especially our elected leaders, to paint journalism as unAmerican, to undermine trust between reporter and reader, or to cast doubt on the relevance of facts and truth in the modern age. An attack on any journalist is an attack on us all."

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Democrats are finally doing politics the way Republicans do

By Paul Waldman
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■ COMMENTARY

For many years, Democrats have been convinced that the American people, and even their Republican opponents, are open to persuasion. If they could just have the opportunity to explain why their policies are morally right and practically effective, they could win almost anyone over.

Republicans, on the other hand, harbored no illusions about persuading Democrats of anything. Instead, they had a much more hard-headed view of how politics works.

And now it seems that Democrats are finally coming around to the GOP's way of thinking. That has broad ramifications for the future of American politics, not just in how elections are run but how policy is made.

Let's take one example: Thursday, Rep. Eric Swalwell, D-Calif., had an op-ed in USA Today in which he proposes a genuine ban on assault weapons — not just the manufacture of new weapons, as was the case in the temporary ban passed when Bill Clinton was president, but a genuine effort to make military-style rifles illegal for civilians:

"Instead, we should ban possession of military-style semiautomatic assault weapons, we should buy back such weapons from all who choose to abide by the law, and we should criminally prosecute any who choose to defy it by keeping their weapons. The ban would not apply to law enforcement agencies or shooting clubs."

You can guess the reaction from gun advocates: Aha, see! They really are coming for our guns!

This is just one congressman, but for decades you couldn't find an elected Democrat who would even suggest such a thing. The prevailing strategy has been to reassure gun owners that they aren't interested in confiscating anyone's guns; they just want some sensible measures to increase safety.

But that strategy has not been met by the other side, which adopts a categorical opposition to any compromise. The NRA and Republicans in Congress are even opposed to universal background checks, which are supported by over 90 percent of the public. They take that position because they've made a calculation that there isn't much point in trying to look reasonable or win over those who might disagree with them. Instead, the way you get what you want is to follow this formula:

1. Take maximal positions that excite your base
2. Win elections
3. Pass bills you like and kill bills you don't like

This isn't just about guns. Democrats are now starting to propose extremely progressive ideas on all kinds of other issues, like Medicare for all (or most, at least) and even a federal job guarantee. They know these ideas will find no support among Republicans, but they no longer care. They remember well how Barack Obama crafted a health care plan with roots in the Heritage Foundation and Mitt Romney's reform in Massachusetts, then spent months trying to convince Republicans in Congress to come to a compromise with him, only to be strung along and ultimately get zero Republican votes in either house.

So many Democrats have concluded that with an electorate as polarized as ours, persuading the other side on almost anything has become basically impossible. If that's true, and if mobilization is what wins elections, then one important question when crafting policy proposals (especially at a time like now when they're out of power and can't actually pass anything) is: "What version of this is going to get our base most excited?

When it comes to step 3, you still have to deal with the fact that there will on most issues be some diversity of thought in your party. So if you want to actually make change, the bill that passes will be the one that's acceptable to the 50th (or 60th, depending on what process is being used) vote in the Senate. That vote may be a relatively moderate one, but if you've started from a maximal position like banning possession of military-style rifles or offering a federal job guarantee, that senator may be willing to go along with something that's not as liberal as it might be, but is still pretty darn liberal.

SCHNURMAN

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Trump's action prompted a series of legal challenges that have protected the program.

Because those cases are now working their way through the legal system, Paxton's suit feels like piling on. It's also a slap to the business community in Texas and beyond, which has been leaning into the issue for many months.

"DACA recipients are vital to the future of our companies and our economy," the Texas Association of Business wrote in a letter to the Texas delegation in September. "With them, we grow and create jobs."

Congress' failure to fix the law jeopardizes the livelihood of Dreamers and "the economic underpinnings of the state," the Dallas Regional Chamber wrote to lawmakers in February.

"The expiration of DACA would be a significant loss for North Texas," the letter said.

LOOKING FOR SOLUTIONS

More than 93 percent of the Dreamers in the Dallas area have jobs, according to New American Economy. They earned $860 million in 2016 and paid $72 million in state and local taxes. Many work in tourism, retail and construction.

Over 800 CEOs and executives signed a letter calling for a legislative solution in Washington. They cited the Dreamers' contributions to the nation's GDP, Social Security and Medicare, and said they're vital to their companies' future and the economy.

"They are part of why we will continue to have a global competitive advantage," the letter said.

It was signed by leaders from some of Dallas' largest employers, including AT&T, Walmart, General Motors, PepsiCo, Microsoft and, of course, Amazon.

In announcing the Texas lawsuit, Paxton said the state has long opposed overreach on immigration by the federal executive branch. He noted that Texas led a successful challenge to a similar program known as DAPA, Deferred Action for Parents of Americans and Lawful Permanent Residents.

"Our lawsuit is about the rule of law, not the wisdom of any particular immigration policy," Paxton said.

That line prompted howls of hypocrisy on social media, and critics were quick to note that Paxton has been under indictment for violating state securities laws since 2015. Paxton denies the allegations and is seeking reelection in November.

He may be hoping the DACA suit will fire up conservative voters who favor a hard line on immigration. But a large majority of conservative Republicans support the Dreamers, polls show.

The suit will put more pressure on Congress to act because it represents another legal threat to the program, Robbins said. But it also stokes more fear and anxiety, along with the image hit for Texas.

"Using hundreds of thousands of people as a pawn in a political game is a terrible thing to do," Robbins said.

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Because we feel it is important that you know how and where your donations to Helping Hands are spent, here is what was done in the past week:

Rent	28 families	$24,827.34
Home Repairs	1 family	$ 247.50
	TOTAL	$25,074.84

The stories behind a few of the rent cases we assisted with last week:

A young single mother of two children worked at a local retail business. Recently her shift was changed from days to evenings, meaning she would not get home until after 10 p.m. She could not handle that shift because she could not find childcare. When she explained that to her employer her hours were cut to where she could not afford to pay her rent, and so she quit. She is now looking for new work and has had interviews but she did not have the funds to pay for her May rent. We were happy to help her and we know that she will find employment soon.

Another young woman was referred to us by Safe Place. She had relocated here from out of town to escape an abusive situation. She completed the program at Safe Place, found a job and was ready to move into an apartment. We helped to get her and her child moved into their new home. We wish her all the best.

A 65-year-old woman needed help with rent when she fell and broke her hip, which required time in a rehab. We helped her with 2 months' rent which will give her time to get back up and functioning.

A young man recently released from prison came to Midland to make a new start. He has no family here but came because he heard of the abundance of jobs. He quickly found a job and starts this week. He also found an inexpensive apartment and needed a bit of help with the first month's rent until he gets his first paycheck. We assisted with one month's rent.

A young couple worked in neighboring businesses, both owned by the same person. Unfortunately the businesses were both foreclosed on and so they both lost their jobs. The man has a pretty severe heart condition which is making it difficult to find work. He did find a job landscaping, however when his employer learned of the heart condition he let him go. The woman has found a part time job which will soon evolve into full time work. Please pray that this man is able to find work soon.

We thank all of you who make it possible for us to help these people each week because of your generous donations. God bless all of you!

PRO / CON: Was Condoleezza Rice right in recommending that college athletes not be paid?

Paying college athletes would cause more problems

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EDGEWATER, Md. — In its recent report on college basketball, the special commission headed by former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice made several long overdue recommendations aimed at dealing with the sport's "crisis of accountability." But, wisely, it stopped short of suggesting that players be paid.

In largely keeping intact the NCAA's core rule of amateurism, the 14-member commission reaffirmed the notion that while compensating players might sound attractive in this era of huge professional contracts, it would only lead to ever more problems down the road.

The commission's focus was on basketball, but its findings could apply to college football as well. The report has been criticized by some, but it is at least a sincere and concerted effort to improve the troubled landscape of college athletics.

While few would deny that money is playing too large a role in collegiate sports today, it's difficult to see how the situation could be made better by introducing even more money in the form of payments to players.

And if amateurism breaks down at the college level, what's to stop money from flowing to athletes even younger than college age?

It's not as though today's scholarship athlete is not getting something for his or her services rendered. A year at college today can be worth $50,000 or more. Add to that apparel and a host of other freebies that college athletes receive and pretty soon you're talking about real money.

Much of the current clamor for athlete compensation has sprung from the incredible popularity of college football and basketball on television, and the revenues these sports produce. But most of that revenue goes back to the universities where it's used to support a long list of sports and academic pursuits.

Yes, the football or basketball coach is very well paid at many major universities. But everything from the campus library to the chemistry department to classroom construction benefits from the money generated by the sport. In effect, televised college sports are a product, and that product is in wide demand today.

The Rice commission made many recommendations, but three stand out among the others:

The NBA needs to scrap its so-called one-and-done rule. This would enable elite players to enter the NBA draft out of high school. The current rule requires players to be 19 years old or a year out of high school, and has made programs like Kentucky and Duke a one-year stopover for players on their way to the NBA.

The NCAA should create an independent investigative arm for handling major rules-infractions cases. For too long the NCAA has been too slow and basically toothless in its adjudications. That needs to stop.

Make the punishments severe enough to discourage cheating. "Currently, the rewards for violating the rules far outweigh the risks," Rice said.

All of the changes will have to be adopted by the NCAA membership in order to take effect.

The commission was formed in response to allegations by federal prosecutors last year of a scheme involving agents, financial advisers and shoe company executives to bribe the families of top high school players to sign with certain college programs. The allegations have already had the effect of forcing out Louisville's Hall of Fame coach, Rick Pitino.

It's doubtful that the Rice commission recommendations will clean up all that ails college athletics.

The NCAA has a long history of moving with glacial slowness. But it's at least a start.

In not recommending that athletes be paid, the commission affirmed the values of amateurism and an education for the nearly 99 percent of college basketball players who don't go on to the NBA.

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College athletes should be justly compensated for their hard work

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WASHINGTON — College athletics at the highest levels is a profitable entertainment business and too many athletes sweating and producing for the industry are exploited and under compensated.

The system needs to change and an appropriate compensation arrangement should be enacted.

Under the guise of amateurism, student athletes work long hours each day. They work what is often the equivalent of a full-time job on top of trying to successfully navigate college.

Now, it is true that the vast majority of the 450,000 plus college athletes are not money makers for their institutions or the peripheral industry.

The compensation that they receive in the form of continued pursuit of their passions and in help with getting a degree is and should be the shining example of a successful system.

Those success stories are harder to find, though, when taking a closer look at the two big money-making sports, football and basketball.

In these sports, even by the NCAA's own bloated and incomplete methodology, the student aspect of the student athlete's work falls measurably short of that of their peers in other college sports.

It is in these two marquee sports that the profits and power lead to a host of problems for athletes and their families. Hundreds of millions of dollars flow to universities, coaches, agents, apparel companies and media, among others, and that wealth is produced by worker athletes.

All this money is not floating around because of the pursuit of education, but because athlete workers produce value.

Improprieties in recruiting are, frankly, the norm and are centered on money. The need for money among many budding college athletes and their families as well as the thirst for money among universities, coaches, sport agents and sporting goods companies drive these violations and the resulting exploitation.

Former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice recently led a group in investigating problems related to scandalous behavior in college basketball. While some aspects of the group's recommendations might have some positive impact, the overall effort seemed to simply reinforce the NCAA's long held position that student athletes, although treated like employees in a profitable business model, should operate under the NCAA's definition of amateurism and not be afforded established norms around compensation and protections.

This is a stark contrast to the NCAA's blinded approach to enforcement of such things as recruiting and academic violations.

Even the "pay" via education provided many top athletes can often not add up to meaningful compensation as universities shuffle their money makers through light course loads or, in some cases, no course load at all, leading to meaningless degrees.

The NCAA should continue and accelerate efforts to make the academic portion of student athlete compensation whole. The sooner the NCAA closes the cracks in the academic compensation, and rightfully shares the value of top athletes with the athletes themselves, the better for all involved.

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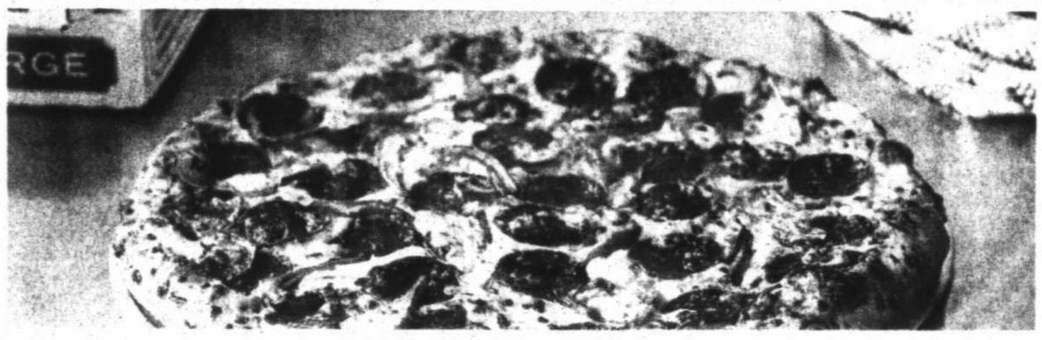

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While Midland has experienced fluctuations in its population over the years, the area is poised to see plenty of growth in the immediate future thanks to the infusion of billions of dollars of investment from oil and gas and other companies. With that future growth in mind, MISD and its employees remain committed to providing a top-quality education for all students from start to finish.

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MAKE A GREAT IMPRESSION WITH RECRUITERS AT A JOB FAIR

By Kim Thompson

Making a great impression with a prospective employer is every job candidate's desire but most struggle with their ability to create a short introduction when meeting new people. The stress of trying to be natural when positioning your unique value and skills often sets job candidates up to fluctuate in overselling and underselling their abilities and they end up missing the main ingredient of a great impression — genuineness.

Talking about yourself in a factual way becomes less threatening when you frame your information as if you are telling a story. "Don't sell me, tell me!" said Anthony Sullivan, a professional pitch man who is the most bankable and trusted name in the world of infomercials.

According to Anthony, the big difference in selling versus telling is that when you are in a selling mode there is a tendency to start by pointing out features and building a case of why you should buy. In telling, you are more apt to build trust and rapport, connecting with a potential employer by talking about how they can benefit from hiring you rather than being sold on your degrees, or qualifications.

The best way to help you overcome the mindset of selling is distinguishing it from telling a story, a good technique is use the "so what" question at the end of your statements. Here's a common example, "I have 12 years of experience in leading projects with a certification in project management". Use the "so what" test — if your answer is vague then you are selling rather than telling about the benefits of your experience.volunteer activities?

Suggestions for making a lasting impression:

- Have a good elevator speech when meeting employers and talk about who you are in a passionate and authentic way.
- Do your research on companies ahead of time and know what the employer values.
- Be educated with what your competition is doing and what the marketplace needs.
- When asked why you want a specific job, tell a story of why you are interested, drawing on your experience always with a sense of passion.
- Dressing the part impacts your pitch even though it's a non-verbal communication. Never underestimate the image of clean, neatly pressed clothes.
- Practice telling your story until it becomes a natural part of you. If it feels uncomfortable, chances are it's not really what you want to convey.

How do you know when you are overselling? Anthony said to observe the body language and know when to stop. As in the case of interview jitters, job candidates can easily turn a discussion into an episode of rambling. If you tend to talk fast or more when your nervous, be sure and monitor yourself by asking questions. Make a conscious effort to listen even if it involves some awkward silence.

Next time you have the opportunity to meet employers at a job fair make sure you are telling them about your attributes that match their needs rather than telling them.

Police in traffic stop didn't deserve scolding

■ Former public official gave us all a glimpse of what the better and smarter "1 percent" thinks of the rest of us

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Elitism is ugly. If you want to know how ugly, just watch the widely circulated video of an arrogant, obnoxious and profane political appointee scolding a couple of police officers during a traffic stop in Tenafly, New Jersey (https://youtu.be/S6vlu1FRaic).

The cringe-worthy encounter occurred over Easter weekend, and the dashcam video — which has now been watched by more than 2 million people — was released a few weeks later by the Tenafly Police Department.

Caren Turner is now a former commissioner of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, which operates bridges, tunnels, ports and airports in both states. Whatever power comes with that position appears to have gone straight to her head.

Soon after the video surfaced, Turner resigned.

Good to hear. Let's just say that, during the eight-minute encounter along a busy freeway, this public official didn't exactly cover herself in glory. Port Authority Chairman Kevin O'Toole called Turner's behavior "profoundly disturbing," "demeaning" and "deplorable."

He's right on all counts. And as the officers repeatedly told Turner after she flashed her credentials, she was not even involved in the traffic stop. She was called to the scene by her daughter, who was one of the passengers in the vehicle. The car was stopped, cited and towed due to expired registration.

Does the Tenafly Police Department *always* tow cars with expired registrations? I've been pulled over for expired tags before, and all I got was a ticket. Why didn't that happen in this case?

Turner managed to remain calm until the 6:45 mark on the video, appearing as if she just wanted to verbally joust with the officers. She insisted on knowing why the car had been stopped. The officers wouldn't tell her. Since the driver was 18 and a legal adult, they said, they had already explained it to the driver. If she really wanted to know, they said, she could ask the driver.

As Turner became more agitated, she descended into the swamp of elitism. "You can't put a sentence together," she told the officers. She also felt the need to point out that two of the people in the car were "Ph.D. students at MIT and Yale."

Turner came totally unglued at the 7:15 mark. When she was told by the lead officer — Matthew Savitsky, who did most of the talking — that she "may" now take her daughter home, she lost it. "You *may* not tell me when to take my child," she screamed at Savitsky. "You *may* shut the [expletive] up!" She also called both officers "pathetic" and a "disappointment."

The now ex-commissioner was way out of line. She made a fool of herself, and she came across as a high-falutin' snob with a disdain for lowly civil servants.

However, there is more to this story. Tenafly Police Chief Robert Chamberlain has said that he was proud of the "composure, poise and restraint" shown by his two officers. But, as the son of a retired cop, it is clear to me that the officers could have handled the situation better and more professionally.

Savitsky could have de-escalated the incident and ended it in half the time. That's also part of good police work. When Turner pressed him as to why the car was being towed, the officer said that he didn't "appreciate" her "demeanor" and claimed that she was "being very demanding." Finally, he told Turner, "You have no right to know what's going on here. I'm under no legal obligation to tell you." When she made a snide comment about how he had "ruined" the students' weekend, he responded: "I didn't ruin anything. I'm just doing my job."

The back-and-forth was inappropriate. This wasn't a debate. Just end the standoff. Say goodbye, get in your squad car and drive away.

Of course, none of this lets Turner off the hook. She was 100 percent in the wrong, and she gave us all a glimpse of what the better and smarter "1 percent" thinks of the rest of us.

Let me say a word to the students who witnessed this spectacle up close and in real time.

Listen up, kids: Life's most valuable lessons don't come in the classroom. You should pursue a Ph.D. in people skills with an emphasis on how to treat people with respect. That will do you more good than degrees from fancy schools.

But what do I know? Despite a couple of degrees from a fancy school, I'm just the son of a lowly civil servant.

OUR VIEW

Water pipeline looks like our community's best investment yet

We remember sitting down with a community leader in Midland who spoke of a past council that allegedly wasn't doing much for the community except maybe building a water pipeline.

While this person's recollection isn't accurate, we offer this. Has there been anything more significant to this community's growth — that local government has control over — in the last 30 to 40 years than building a pipeline that guarantees a 50-year water supply for the residents of our community.

We think not.

So, coming off the second driest start of a year (January through April), it is worth reminding Midlanders how significant it was that former Mayor Wes Perry spearheaded the effort to invest in the city's water supply. Providing an honest-to-goodness lifeline for our community is one box we were able to check off moving forward.

We can't say that about education, road infrastructure and housing, arguably the top three items on the city's list of important issues.

For too long, we as a paper and we as a community have been guilty of shining a spotlight on things that don't compare to the necessities when it comes to this city's growth.

The Scharbauer Sports Complex, the Horseshoe complex and still-being-constructed convention center are nice to have, no doubt about it, but they trail water, education and infrastructure on what really matters.

It was costly to bring a water pipeline from Winkler County to Midland. But that cost has brought peace of mind for times like this. This year may not be a repeat of 2011 when just more than 5 inches of rain fell on the city during the entire year. But our guess is, the extreme weather over longer periods of time will get worse.

Our community is in a good place when it comes to its water resources. We might even be a community to envy. After all, how often is it that a utilities director says we have a 50-year water supply and are now looking at a water source for the next 50 years?

That is why we give credit to the former mayor. Like the city council in the mid-1960s when the T-Bar water field in Winkler County was purchased, Wes Perry saw a need and invested. He didn't kick the can down the road.

We hope the next five years is a time when we check more boxes. We hope the end result of that period lays the foundation for the ensuing 10, 20 or even 50 years. We hope there are leaders in our community with the courage to prioritize the real needs of the community over the wants of today.

Remember, education, road infrastructure and housing. The rest really doesn't matter, not when your community is in the midst of a growth spurt like Midland.

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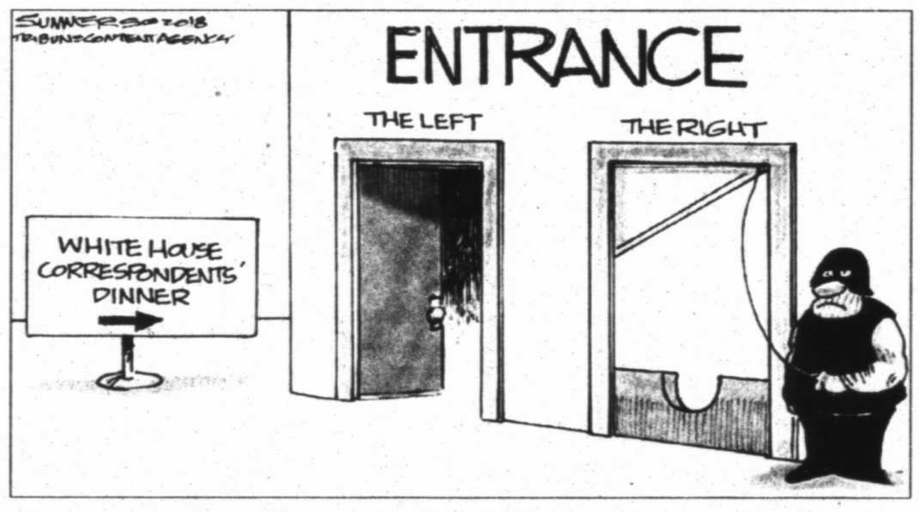

Face facts: Immigrants commit fewer crimes than U.S.-born peers

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There's an old saw in journalism that when a dog bites a man, it's just another thing that happened. But when a man bites a dog, well, that's news.

"Criminal illegal immigrants" are a modern-day version of that adage.

A large segment of America refuses to accept that legal immigrants, naturalized citizens and other lawfully present people from other countries — 76 percent of all immigrants in the U.S., according to the Pew Research Center — simply work or go to school and lead totally ordinary lives. These immigrants contribute to the economy, fund the Social Security program, etc., etc., etc., and otherwise just mind their own business.

The fact of the matter is that a significant portion of our society just wants to believe the worst about immigrants.

It's but a mere detail that only about a quarter of all the immigrants in the U.S. are living here without the proper authorization (and represent only 3.4 percent of the total U.S. population). After all, even one would be too many in some minds.

It's been well-documented in studies going back nearly a century that the foreign-born are involved in crime at significantly lower rates than their U.S.-born peers.

New research recently published in the United Kingdom-based journal Migration Letters delved into arrest and re-arrest data of first-time juvenile male offenders between the ages of 13 and 17 (peak years for young people to get into trouble) in Pennsylvania, Louisiana and southern California.

The researchers looked at the boys in the categories of legal immigrants, unauthorized immigrants and U.S. born offenders. Just as in past studies, this one found that immigrants as a whole commit less crime than native-born Americans.

When broken out by legal status, the pattern still stands: Compared to their documented immigrant and U.S.-born peers, undocumented immigrants continue to report low levels of offending in the three years following first arrest.

"Undocumented immigrants reported lower offending both before they entered the study and then in the following three years after their first arrest," said Alex Piquero, one of the authors of the paper and a criminologist at the University of Texas at Dallas.

I'll stop here to interject the voices of the many people who shout at my column and then all-caps at me in angry emails and messages: "But what about the 'violent illegals'?" they'll ask. "What about the MS-13 gang? The 'illegal' who killed Kate Steinle in San Francisco? Or the drunken driving 'illegal' who killed the Indianapolis Colts' Edwin Jackson?"

These are absolutely tragic instances, surely somehow preventable and all-around terrible losses for the victims' families and communities, full stop.

However, these are also examples of man-bites-dog stories that give the impression that unauthorized immigrants present an outsize threat to the communities they inhabit.

Let me repeat: They do not.

We are all at risk from drunken drivers, people who accidentally misfire guns, those who are actively looking to harm others and thousands of other threats. But we are not at a higher risk of being hurt by immigrants simply because they are immigrants — whether they're residing in the U.S. illegally or not.

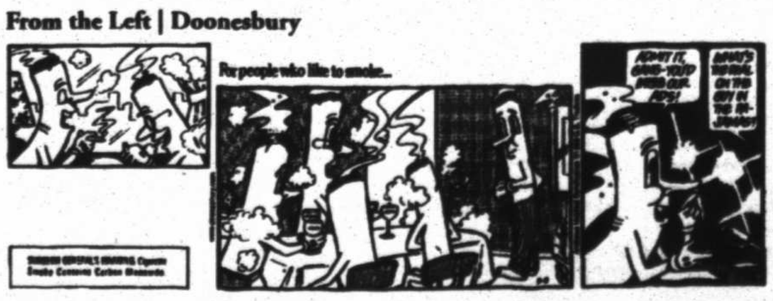
"I would venture to say that there are likely to be many more native-born Americans engaging in those acts than are undocumented immigrants," Piquero told me. "What we are seeing, though, are similar findings — including a recent study at the macro-level showing that undocumented immigration does not increase violence — showing up in various studies around the United States, using various samples, cities, and methodologies. It is coalescing on what we in the social sciences call a fact: Immigrants are not engaging in the levels of crime that some people believe that they are."

"In my view, all kinds of crime, but especially violent crime, are horrible regardless of who commits them, and we should be doing all we can to prevent those acts from occurring," Piquero said. "[But] focusing on immigration status means that we are potentially placing emphasis on the wrong factor and, in doing so, using scarce public safety resources ineffectively."

Of course, this is the argument for prioritizing immigration enforcement on repeat offenders and highly dangerous suspects, and leaving the infirm, veterans of our military, children and their moms and dads alone.

Frankly, people like a good man-bites-dog story because it's novel. Immigrants who by and large serve society and just try to carve out a life for themselves are suffering from being unremarkable — probably because they've been around since the founding of our nation.

From the Left | Doonesbury



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

City leaders need to make roads safer for exercisers

It is time that something is done for the avid cyclists in Midland. We need bike lanes. We need awareness. We need drivers to slow down and to share the road. We need a solution to create safe routes for runners, walkers and cyclists around town. We need harsh punishments and no longer a slap on the wrist for drivers who break traffic laws and compromise the safety of those around them. Too many times, those who want to exercise fear for their safety.

I know; I speak from experience. Three years ago, I was involved in a wreck on my bicycle and have not been back out on a bike since. I was training with a group of individuals and got hit by a pickup. We were on a wide laned road within the city limits, legally following the state traffic laws, and the driver still hit me. I was bloodied and bruised and had to go to physical therapy for weeks. I gave up a hobby that I was passionate about because I couldn't risk my safety anymore.

Last week, I attended the funerals of two dear friends who were beloved fathers, husbands and community leaders. They were working hard to make Midland a better place and were taken from this earth too soon. These men were not beginners; they were experienced cyclists who knew the rules and the laws and always put safety first.

As a community, we need our leaders to take action and to make the roads safer for those who choose to exercise outdoors. We need you to care about us and our families. We need you to protect us.

Audrie Palmer

Efforts of Rotary clubs, ACU press is appreciated

On behalf of Abilene Christian University Press, my wife, Karen, and I wish to express our sincere thanks to Jean Jones and Rotary clubs of Midland and Guy McCrary and the Permian Basin Area Foundation. Together, the two groups purchased and distributed copies of "Midland A-Z: The History and Culture of Midland for Young Readers" to more than 2,400 third-grade students in Midland ISD.

This generous gesture exhibited Midland's ongoing commitment to community and helping others. Midland Rotary's objective of promoting literacy in schools, the foundation's continued support of worthy causes throughout the Permian Basin and ACU's effort to educate young people about their community all are worthy causes.

Thank you, Jean and Guy, Jason Fikes, Duane Anderson and Dale and Rita Brown of Abilene Christian University, for your involvement and support and for making such a worthwhile effort to educate the young people of Midland.

Jimmy Patterson Livingston

Election Letters

(Candidate letters have a limit of 200 words)

County Judge

Beauchamp is committed to working with others

Over much of the last decade, I have served as chair of the Ector County Republican Party.

During that time, I have had the opportunity to work with James Beauchamp during his service as Midland County chair.

I have truly appreciated his desire to work with others and bring our communities together. Because such a large piece of the city of Odessa lies in Midland County, it will be more important than ever to have someone committed to working with both communities.

It's also important that we find true conservatives who share our values. There are a lot of newly discovered Republicans out there during elections. We have seen what happens when we elect appealing but unknown candidates who have never been involved or participated in the political process.

Being county chair doesn't make someone a "politician;" it does make them a public person, while remaining an unpaid volunteer. It also makes them someone who is committed to working with others. In this case, it makes them a great choice for county judge.

I hope you will join me in supporting James Beauchamp as the next Midland County judge.

Tisha Crow

Beauchamp has qualities to be county judge

James Beauchamp is a candidate for Midland County Judge in the May 22 Republican run-off. As a legislator and past chair of the Transportation Commission, I have worked with James on important transportation and economic projects for Midland-Odessa and West Texas. His ability to understand details while seeing the big picture and his ability to listen to citizens with fairness are qualities that would make him a good county judge.

The position of county judge is one of the most difficult in government. A county judge must lead independently elected commissioners, deal fairly with budgetary needs, coordinate efforts with other government entities, and most importantly, listen to the community. Taxpayers must be confident that their county is highly efficient and there is no waste of tax dollars. James Beauchamp is uniquely qualified to undertake those obligations.

As president of MOTRAN, James has played a key role in fighting for funding to enhance safety and mobility in Midland and the Permian Basin. The maintenance and expansion of the highway system is vital to us, and to the state and nation, as we reassert our role as world leader in energy. I am confident James will fulfill that responsibility.

Tryon D. Lewis

Johnson knows county's strengths, weaknesses

Midland County has the opportunity to elect a county judge who will equally and fairly represent the area over which he will preside. Terry Johnson is a respected, successful businessman who knows the strengths, weaknesses and needs of the county.

Terry has distinguished himself by respecting and honoring our first responders and present and past military. He will work tirelessly with commissioners to keep our roads safe and open-mindedly address presented issues.

Mr. Johnson is a lifelong Midland resident who knows the people and understands West Texas. In my opinion, he will honestly and effectively represent Midland County.

Please consider voting for Terry Johnson.

Tim Outlaw

GUEST VIEWS

The feds can't let up on Aryan Brotherhood and other racist gangs

The Dallas Morning News

The feds' takedown of dozens of white supremacist gang members last week should provide some level of comfort that law enforcement is continuing to ferret out these racist operations.

Fifty-seven people were named in a 55-count indictment that alleges they used drug trafficking and violence to terrorize North Texas communities. They are accused of being part of an ugly underbelly of hate-spewing groups that originated in prisons, including the Aryan Brotherhood of Texas, the Peckerwoods, the Soldiers of Aryan Culture and the Dirty White Boys.

These are among the worst of the worst. For example, four of the defendants kidnapped a man in January over a $600 drug debt, tortured him and chopped off a portion of his finger with a hatchet, authorities say.

While we're relieved these 57 bad guys are off the streets, the latest roundup is also a stark reminder that law enforcement and its partners must remain vigilant in efforts to combat this scourge that wreaks havoc on all that is right and decent.

It's more important than ever to keep the investigative hammer down on these groups, given the racial tensions that continue to simmer in this country.

Sadly, these dangerous hatemongers seem to multiply. Authorities involved in another investigation recently sentenced the last of 89 defendants in a years-long prosecution of racist gang members, including the Aryan Brotherhood of Texas. The defendants were sentenced to more than 1,070 combined years in federal prison.

And last year, The Dallas Morning News' "My Aryan Princess" series revealed that spy work from confidential informant Carol Blevins helped the federal government, over six years, put more than 1,300 criminals who roamed the streets of North Texas behind bars.

It's taken an impressive cooperative effort from many agencies to make headway with these insidious groups. The Texas Department of Public Safety led the latest investigation with the help of the Texas Anti-Gang Center, Dallas police and the Drug Enforcement Administration.

We can't lose sight of the fact that people are still doing this awful stuff in North Texas. Good on local, state and federal authorities for their efforts to catch them.

Dallas newspaper sees Andrew White as better choice in runoff for Democratic nomination

The Dallas Morning News

Houston businessman Andrew White finished a distant second to former Dallas County Sheriff Lupe Valdez in the Democratic gubernatorial primary — despite having a significantly deeper command of key issues.

White, who is campaigning as a conservative, business-oriented Democrat, won our recommendation in March's crowded nine-person primary and again gets our support in the May 22 runoff.

White, whose father is the late former Gov. Mark White, not only has made improving public education his top priority, but he has laid out a strategy for fixing the state's broken school finance system. While it's premature for us to evaluate every detail of that plan, we are impressed that White has studied the issue sufficiently to discuss specifics, not fall back on vague generalities.

The 45-year-old White also wants to make higher education more affordable, with a plan to freeze the incoming tuition of university freshmen throughout their college years to insulate them from rate hikes

White is also clear about where he stands on hot-button transportation issues, saying the state may need to build more toll roads to keep pace with population growth.

Valdez, 70, was elected Dallas County sheriff in 2004 and re-elected three times since. She is a pioneer in carving out a role for a Hispanic woman, who also happens to be a lesbian, in leadership spots that women have traditionally had a hard time breaking into.

While we supported her in several county elections over weak opponents, her track record was uneven in the sheriff's job.

To her credit, the department expanded its highway patrol system, completed construction of a new jail facility and, after a rocky start, kept the operation in compliance with federal inspection standards.

But Valdez often wasn't forthcoming with the public concerning jail escapes and deaths of individuals while in custody. She seemed frequently out of touch with the importance of these and other management issues.

Now as she seeks the state's top office, her website and campaign appearances are distressingly short on specifics. She routinely falls back on the vague canard that she is a leader who will consult experts and bring all sides together. Our conclusion is that she probably hasn't carefully evaluated the policies that the Texas governor's office will face or how she would work with the GOP-controlled Legislature.

Recently, she even had trouble discussing an issue that is squarely in her wheelhouse. While Valdez opposed a legislative bill that would allow local law enforcement to ask about a person's immigration status during routine encounters, she struggled during a forum in Austin to answer this and other immigration-related questions.

Her muddled responses prompted Jolt Texas, a new group of young Latino voters, to endorse White over her.

Whichever candidate wins this gubernatorial runoff will face a formidable opponent in incumbent Greg Abbott. Democrats would be best-served to hand the baton to White.

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BBB offers tips on hiring movers during National Moving Month

Better Business Bureau

May is National Moving Month—one of the busiest times of the year for people to move homes, or even businesses. There are hundreds of moving companies to choose from, so where do you start?

Unfortunately, fake or shady moving companies exist, causing financial and emotional toll on people who have their belongings lost or damaged or find themselves scammed out of their money. In 2017, Better Business Bureau received more than 7,500 complaints against moving companies.

One such company was even the subject of a recent BBB investigation. Earlier this year, Better Business Bureau serving the Heart of Texas conducted an investigation into Presidential Moving and Storage, LLC. Consumers of the Arlington-based company said they were charged thousands more than the agreed upon price. Complaints also alleged the company failed to deliver their goods by the stated arrival date and had trouble getting updates when contacting the company. Based on complaint data, consumers lost an average of $3,200. According to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Presidential Moving's status is now listed as "out-of-service." There has also been at least one news report, by KXAS in Dallas, where a customer got her items back after the company held them for over a month.

BBB offers the following tips for hiring a trustworthy moving company:

- Do your research. Do some comparison shopping online, and use reputable sources, such as bbb.org when looking for a mover or professional moving company. Check that the company is licensed as required by the State of Texas, and that they have a valid TxDMV and USDOT number.
- Get three free estimates. Make sure the estimates are in writing, by email or as an attachment, and never accept a verbal quote or agreement.
- Read the contract carefully. Read every document of the contract carefully before you sign anything. Also, get a copy of everything you sign, and don't sign any blank forms.

BBB also advises people to watch out for the following red flags:

- The company has no physical address and/or the trucks don't have their licensing displayed.
- The company isn't willing to come to your home for an estimate, and the estimates are too high or too low.
- The company requires a large upfront payment or cash only. A reputable mover takes credit cards.
- The mover can't answer your questions and they seem uncertain.

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Choosing the next Texas House speaker is a game played by very fuzzy rules

By Ross Ramsey
Texas Tribune

Analysis

It's hard to say whether anyone has ever violated the Texas law informally known as the speaker statute. In all the years it's been on the books, nobody has ever been formally charged with a transgression. The gist of the law is that only a "speaker candidate" can spend money and take contributions, loans or promises of funds to advance their candidacy.

But the law takes a somewhat twisted path. Here's the definition of a contestant: "'Speaker candidate' means a member of or candidate for the house of representatives who has announced his candidacy for or who by his actions, words, or deeds seeks election to the office of speaker of the house of representatives."

The logic is that if you're doing those things, you have to declare your candidacy, and once you've done that, two things happen. First, everybody knows you're in the pool. Four members of the House have filed so far: Phil King, R-Weatherford; John Zerwas, R-Richmond; Tan Parker, R-Flower Mound; and, as of Tuesday, Eric Johnson, D-Dallas.

The second thing is that declared candidates have to file campaign finance reports every two months until they either drop out or the speaker election is held at the beginning of the next legislative session in January.

The twisty part is deciding when a candidate has crossed the line between talking to people about whether to run and actually becoming a candidate.

Until a candidate is declared, they have to have other explanations for doing the things speaker candidates do: Traveling around the state talking to the members of the House — and candidates for the House — who'll elect the next speaker. In essence, they have to be in someone's office or hometown talking to them for some other plausible reason.

Translated practically, that leaves representatives a lot of room to explore their chances before they declare — an opportunity to fly under the wire as they find out whether to out themselves as candidates.

"Obviously, you can do quite a bit in terms of just checking the water," says Austin lawyer Buck Wood, who was working on ethics legislation at the time the speaker statute was enacted — and who says he didn't have anything to do with that law, which he considers somewhat vague. "Until you tell someone you're running, it's very difficult to say you have to file. Just going out and giving speeches doesn't get you there."

A number of potential candidates have been mentioned or have said they might consider a run. They have time to ponder it, but the four declared candidates have the advantage of being able to actively seek support, while the shadow candidates are somewhat constrained.

The rest of us don't vote in speaker races, and most voters don't seem to give much thought to who's leading the House from one legislative session to the next. Outside groups and lobbyists and other insiders obsess about it, though. During a session, speakers, like lieutenant governors who run the Senate, can make or break legislation. They decide who sits on and who heads the committees that consider bills. They control the flow of legislation. If getting bills passed or killed is your livelihood, the speaker is a critical gatekeeper. There's a lot at stake.

Voters are interested in legislation, but not so much in process. In the February 2018 University of Texas/Texas Tribune Poll — a survey taken nine years after Joe Straus became speaker — nearly half of Texas voters still had neither a positive nor a negative impression of him. Just over 30 percent could say the same about Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, who has only been in that office for three years. The voters elected Patrick. The House elected Straus.

But a lot of people want a say in who succeeds him, which brings us to this interesting tidbit — a "beeswax clause" from the speaker statute: "An elected officer or employee of the executive or judicial branch of state government may not contribute personal services, money, or goods of value to a speaker candidate's campaign."

Translation: Governors and other statewide officeholders and appointees can't play. State employees, for the most part, can't play. The speaker's race is, to put a playground term to it, none of their beeswax. In a Texas Capitol where, last year, several key bills got tangled up in differences between the House, the Senate and Gov. Greg Abbott's office, it would be natural to think the other players would want a speaker who will play nice next session. Straus was often a foil to Abbott and to Patrick last session. It's safe to say they'd prefer someone more likely to say "yes" than "no" when they're looking for support.

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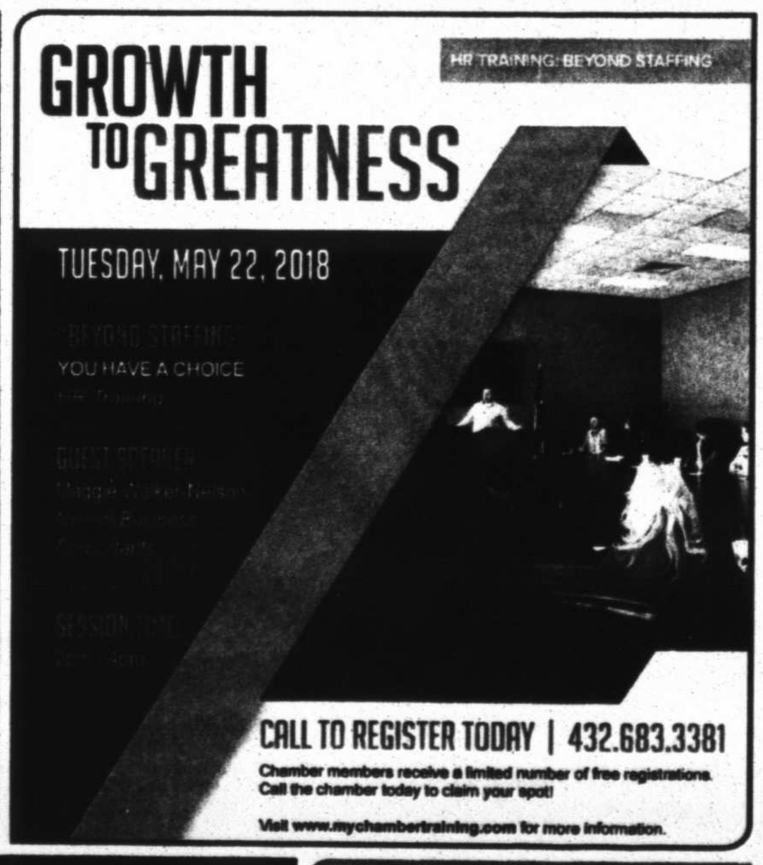

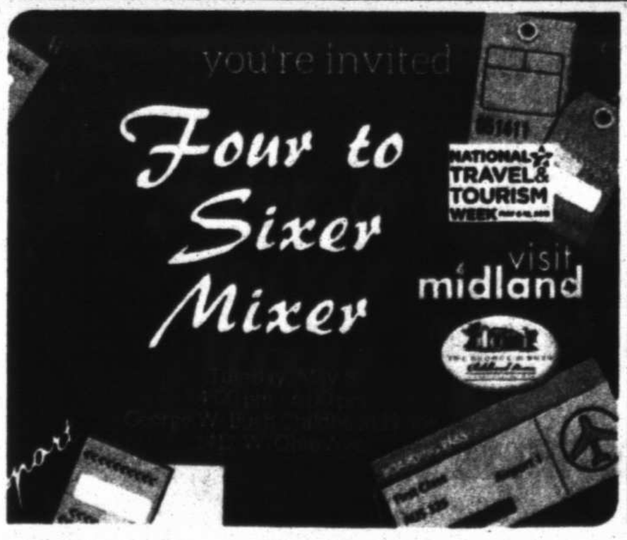

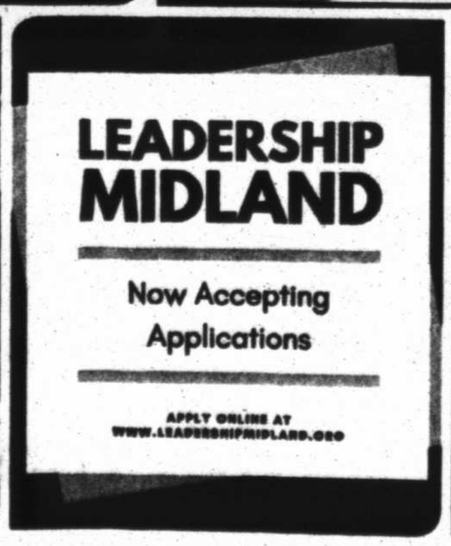

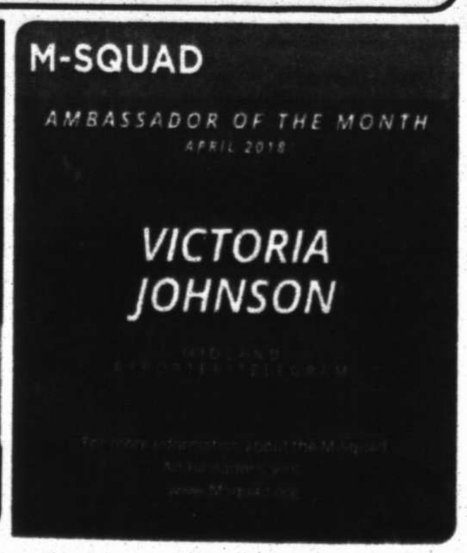

Justify wins Kentucky Derby, Baffert gets 5th title

By Beth Harris
Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky.— If you want to bust a racing curse, call Bob Baffert.

The white-haired trainer smashed a jinx that stood for 136 years when Justify splashed through the slop to win the Kentucky Derby by 2½ lengths on Saturday.

Not since Apollo in 1882 had a colt won the roses without racing as a 2-year-old.

Now, Baffert is in position to make another run at the Triple Crown. Three years ago, he trained American Pharoah to the sport's first sweep of the Derby, Preakness and Belmont in 37 years.

Records and streaks are made to be a broken and Baffert is certainly on a tear.

The chestnut colt that began his career in February improved to 4-0 — winning his races by a combined 21½ lengths — and gave Baffert his fifth Derby victory. It snapped a tie and left the 65-year-old trainer trailing only Ben Jones with six.

Mike Smith earned his second Derby victory, becoming at 52 the second-oldest winning jockey. Bill Shoemaker was 54 when he won with Ferdinand in 1986.

Smith crossed the finish line at Churchill Downs with only a few specks of mud on his white and green silks in the rainiest Derby in the race's 144-year history. Nearly 3 inches fell on the crowd of 157,813 throughout the day.

"Amazing horse," Smith said. "He's got that 'it' factor. He is so above average, he's got unbelievable talent and he's got a mind to go with it. He was loving this stuff."

Smith's silks were nearly spotless after he kept Justify near the lead throughout the race. He gunned Justify out of the No. 7 spot in the starting gate — something Baffert said had to happen — and the colt's early speed helped hook leader Promises Fulfilled from the start.

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Kiichiro Sato/Associated Press

Mike Smith rides Justify to victory before the 144th running of the Kentucky Derby horse race at Churchill Downs on Saturday in Louisville, Ky.

Out...of the playoffs

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Tyler Madrid (13) is out at second base during the game against El Paso Franklin on Saturday, at McCanlies Field in Odessa.

Franklin run-rules Rebels to win bi-district series

By Will Korn
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With their backs against the wall and facing elimination, Christian Pichardo and the El Paso Franklin baseball team just needed to believe Saturday.

Pichardo led the charge and belted a two-run home run in the sixth inning to lift the Cougars to a 3-1 win in Game 2 of the Class 6A best-of-three bi-district playoff series at Odessa Permian's McCanlies Field.

And in the deciding third game, Pichardo did his part in two massive seven-run rallies in both the third and fourth innings to help Franklin cruise to a 14-0 run rule victory, as well as a 2-1 series win to advance the area round.

On the mound, Franklin's Andrew Preive tossed a no-hitter over five innings and struck out five Lee batters. The Cougars also got a complete-game win from starter Branden Voytko in Game 2.

With the elimination, Lee ended its season at 18-15 overall, while the Cougars (23-12-1) will face Fort Worth Paschal at a time, date and location to be determined.

Following a struggle in Friday's Game 1 against Lee right-handed ace Bo Blessie, Pichardo said no one in the Franklin dugout panicked, even through five tense innings to start Game 2.

A leadoff home run by Jimmy DeLeon in the first gave the Cougars a 1-0 lead, before Lee's Junior Alvarez tied the game at 1-1 with a double to left center in the fourth.

In the sixth, Lee right-handed starter Adam Becker was on a roll and had retired seven straight Cougar batters before Cameron Crotte singled to right field. Pichardo followed and hammered a 3-1 pitch over the left field wall to pull Franklin ahead for good.

"I was just looking for a pitch I could hit and I didn't think I hit the ball as far

Please see **LEE**/3C

MCS girls finish 3rd, boys 4th at TAPPS state meet

From staff reports

HEWITT – The Midland Christian girls track team placed third with 82 points during Saturday's TAPPS 5A State Track and Field Championships at Panther Stadium.

The MCS girls made a strong run at the team title, winning two relays, which tally double points with 20 awarded.

The Lady Mustangs' 400 relay team of sophomore Andie Sheppard, freshman Azyanna Sherrill, freshman Ally Nelson and senior Makenzie Mondragon won gold with a time of 50.11 seconds, while the same four sprinters teamed up to win the 800 relay with a time of 1:46.33.

However, MCS fell short in its bid to win all three girls relays for the first time in school history, as the 1,600 relay of Sheppard, Nelson, senior Abby Claire Brown and Azyanna Sherrill finished third (4:05.70).

Tyler Grace Community won the girls team title with 96.5 points, followed by San Antonio Christian School with 87 points.

The MCS boys finished fourth with 77 points, as Cedar Hill Trinity Christian won the meet with 126 points, San Antonio Christian was second with 108, and Tyler Grace placed third with 83.

Both MCS boys and girls teams were shooting for their first state titles since 2015.

The MCS boys took second and third in the 800 meters, as junior Jace Mitchell won silver with a 2:00.34 and sophomore Caden Norris claimed bronze with a 2:00.82. Mitchell and Norris both set personal records with their medal winning performances.

Midland Christian had three fourth-place finishes with Mondragon in the girls 100 (12.54), Brown in the girls 300 hurdles (47.68) and Mitchell in the boys 1,600 (4:36.51).

Trinity got its best performance from junior Evan Witt, who finished fourth in the TAPPS 4A boys 100 meter dash with a time of 11.31. In the TAPPS 3A meet, Midland Classical sophomore Kaleigh Boyt came in fourth in the girls 1,600 with a time of 5:41.01.

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Andrews' wheelchair athlete inspires teammates

By Christopher Hadorn
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One can only imagine the emotions Andrews junior Wyatt Liming will be experiencing when he enters the grass infield of 20,000-seat Mike A. Myers Stadium in Austin this coming Saturday.

Liming is set to compete in the 1 p.m. boys wheelchair shot put at the UIL State Track and Field Championships after he won region with a personal record throw of 18 feet last week in Lubbock.

Liming has cerebral palsy, a disorder that affects his motor functions, as he needs forearm crutches to walk around Andrews High School.

But cerebral palsy hasn't taken away his competitive spirit or his desire to be an accomplished athlete, as Liming will throw on high school track's grandest stage.

"My goal is just to get a personal best," Liming said.

In 2014, the UIL introduced a Paralympic division of its state track meet, which consists of wheelchair events in the 100 meters, 400 and shot put.

Andrews track coaches Bill Stotts and Mallory Hibbert both believed Paralympic track would be beneficial for Liming, who is an adept student with a passion for reading books, especially on German history. But Liming was known for being reserved, mostly keeping to himself around the student body.

And Liming was stubborn about

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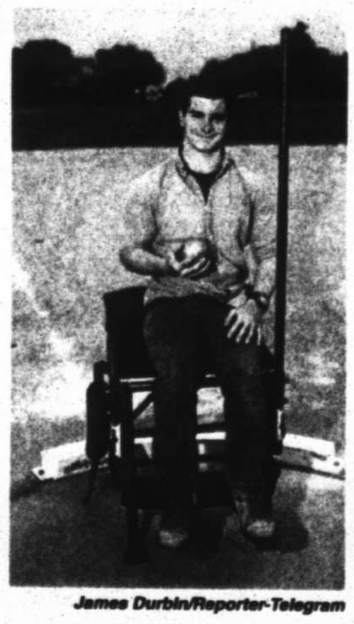

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Andrews junior Wyatt Liming, a competitor in the boys shot put wheelchair event, photographed Wednesday, in Andrews.

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PGA: Wells Fargo Championship, Final Round, 2 p.m., CBS
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NHRA: Southern Nationals, 5 p.m., FS1
MotoAmerica: Championship of Virginia at SIR Superbike Race 2 and Supersport Race 2, 5 p.m., beIN
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TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
BOSTON RED SOX — Reinstated LHP Eduardo Rodriguez from the family medical leave list. Optioned LHP Bobby Poyner to Pawtucket (IL).
CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Placed INF Yoán Moncada on the 10-day DL. Recalled INF José Rondón from Charlotte (IL).
CLEVELAND INDIANS — Acquired RHP Oliver Drake from Milwaukee for cash considerations and added him to the major league roster.
MINNESOTA TWINS — Placed C Jason Castro on the 10-day DL. Selected the contract of C Bobby Wilson from Rochester (IL).
TAMPA BAY RAYS — Recalled RHP Ryne Stanek from Durham (IL). Optioned RHP Chih-Wei Hu to Durham.
TEXAS RANGERS — Sent 2B Rougned Odor on rehab assignment to Frisco (Texas).
National League
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Agreed to terms with RHP Clay Buchholz on a minor league contract.
ATLANTA BRAVES — Optioned LHP Max Fried to Gwinnett (IL). Recalled RHP Lucas Sims from Gwinnett.
MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Traded RHP Oliver Drake to the Cleveland Indians for cash.
NEW YORK METS — Designated RHP Matt Harvey for assignment. Recalled RHP Hansel Robles from Las Vegas (PCL).
WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Reinstated 3B Anthony Rendon from the 10-day DL. Optioned INF Adrian Sanchez to Syracuse (IL).
Midwest League
QUAD CITIES RIVER BANDITS — Activated OF J.J. Matijevic from the disabled list. Transferred RHP Tanner Duncan to extended spring training.
American Association
CHICAGO DOGS — Signed LHP Evan Smith.
CLEBURNE RAILROADERS— Signed LHP Josh Blanco.
GARY SOUTHSHORE RAILCATS — Signed RHP Gabriel Perez.
KANSAS CITY T-BONES — Traded RHP Miguel Rosario to the Texas AirHogs for a player to be named.
ST. PAUL SAINTS — Placed OF Harrison Kain on the inactive list.
Atlantic League
LONG ISLAND DUCKS — Signed C Keith Ezersky. Placed C Audio Alerer on the disabled list.
Can-Am League
OTTAWA CHAMPIONS — Released RHP Daniel Cordero.

FOOTBALL
National Football League
MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Signed DT Jaylen Holmes and TE Tyler Conklin.
SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS— Signed DB Tarvarus Moore, DT Richard James Jr. and WR Julian Taylor.

HOCKEY
ECHL
ECHL — Suspended Fort Wayne's Daniel Maggio one game and fined him an undisclosed amount for his actions in a May 4 game against Toledo. Suspended Florida's Brett Bulmer one game and fined him an undisclosed amount and suspended Orlando's Sean Zimmerman one game for their actions in a May 4 game.

COLLEGE BASEBALL

Big 12
Texas Tech 16, Texas 5
Oklahoma 2, Kansas State 0
Kansas 13, West Virginia 3
Iowa 16, Oklahoma State 14
TCU 4, Lamar 3
SEC
Texas A&M 11, Stephen F. Austin 4

NHL PLAYOFF GLANCE

Associated Press

CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Washington 3, Pittsburgh 2
Thursday, April 26: Pittsburgh 3, Washington 2
Sunday, April 29: Washington 4, Pittsburgh 1
Tuesday, May 1: Washington 4, Pittsburgh, 3
Thursday, May 3: Pittsburgh 3, Washington 1
Saturday, May 5: Washington 6, Pittsburgh 3
Monday, May 7: Washington at Pittsburgh, TBA
x-Wednesday, May 9: Pittsburgh at Washington, TBA
Boston 1, Tampa Bay 3
Saturday, April 28: Boston 6, Tampa Bay 2
Monday, April 30: Tampa Bay 4, Boston 2
Wednesday, May 2: Tampa Bay 4 ,Boston 1
Friday, May 4 : Tampa Bay 4, Boston 3 OT
Today: Boston at Tampa Bay, 2 p.m.
x-Tuesday, May 8: Tampa Bay at Boston, TBA
x-Thursday, May 10: Boston at Tampa Bay, TBA
WESTERN CONFERENCE
Winnipeg 2, Nashville 3
Friday, April 27: Winnipeg 4, Nashville 1
Sunday, April 29: Nashville 5, Winnipeg 4, 2OT
Tuesday, May 1: Nashville 4 ,Winnipeg 7
Thursday, May 3: Nashville 2 ,Winnipeg 1
Saturday, May 5: Winnipeg at Nashville, late
Monday, May 7: Nashville at Winnipeg 8:30 p.m.
x-Thursday, May 10: Winnipeg at Nashville, TBA
Vegas 3, San Jose 2
Thursday, April 26: Vegas 7, San Jose 0
Saturday, April 28: San Jose 4, Vegas 3, 2OT
Monday, April 30: Vegas 4, San Jose 3
Wednesday, May 2: San Jose 4, Vegas 0
Friday, May 5: Vegas 5, San Jose 3
Today: Vegas at San Jose, 6:30 p.m.
x-Tuesday, May 8: San Jose at Vegas, TBA

MLS GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Atlanta United FC	7	1	1	22	23	10
New York City FC	6	2	2	20	19	14
Orlando City	5	2	1	16	16	13
New York	5	3	0	15	21	10
Columbus	4	3	3	15	13	10
New England	4	3	2	14	15	12
Montreal	3	6	0	9	14	23
Chicago	2	4	2	8	12	14
Philadelphia	2	4	2	8	6	13
Toronto FC	2	4	1	7	9	13
D.C. United	1	4	2	5	8	13

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Sporting Kansas City	6	2	2	20	21	12
Los Angeles FC	5	2	1	16	18	14
Vancouver	4	5	1	13	10	18
FC Dallas	3	1	4	13	11	7
Minnesota United	4	5	0	12	12	16
Houston	3	3	2	11	18	13
LA Galaxy	3	5	1	10	12	16
Real Salt Lake	3	4	1	10	9	16
Colorado	2	4	2	8	10	11
Portland	2	3	2	8	12	14
San Jose	1	4	2	5	12	15
Seattle	1	4	2	5	5	9

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie.

Saturday, May 5
Montreal 4, New England 2
New York 4, New York City FC 0
Minnesota United 1, Vancouver 0
FC Dallas 1, Los Angeles FC 1, tie
Columbus 0, Seattle 0, tie
Atlanta United FC 2, Chicago 1
Houston 3, LA Galaxy 2
Sporting Kansas City 1, Colorado 0
Portland at San Jose, LATE
Today's game
Real Salt Lake at Orlando City, 4 p.m.

Cowboys lose a class act with Jason Witten's retirement

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There were a lot of Cowboys fans and even some non-Cowboys fans who were sad to see Jason Witten finally make it official by announcing his retirement this past week.

He and many others knew it was time.

It's a shame that a player like Witten never got to play in a Super Bowl, but just like so many other "great ones" who never got the chance to play for a professional team championship, that had more to do with the players he was surrounded with.

Like Tony Romo throughout his career in Dallas, Witten wasn't on a team that was good enough to win a Super Bowl, although the 2015 team probably would have come close if it wasn't for the controversial "no catch" by Dez Bryant in the loss to Green Bay. But between you and me, that run probably would have ended the next week against Seattle.

While he never got to help hoist the Lombardi Trophy, he will be forever be known as not only one of the best Cowboys ever but one of the NFL's best tight ends. He was an 11-time Pro Bowl selection and his 1,152 catches is the fourth most of any player. He also missed just one game during his career, even though he battled his share of injuries. He was a true football player through and through.

But more than his production on the field, Witten seemed like a true class act in every sense of the word. Players admired him and adored him as much as the fans and that is more important to me than any championship trophy.

He was a leader, both on and off the field. You've read my columns before ripping certain players when they act like jerks. Witten wasn't one of those guys.

The man was loyal and that's hard to find in today's professional sports world where the next big contract or the search for that ring is way too tempting.

It's hard to find players who have stayed with one professional organization throughout their entire careers like Witten, Dirk Nowitzki of the Dallas Mavericks and Dustin Pedroia of the Boston Red Sox. Most players either leave for free agency or are deemed expandable and are traded away before they could even make that choice.

Witten was valuable in a lot of ways for the Cowboys and he will be hard to replace for what he did on and off the field.

But being 35 years old and after 15 years in the NFL, it was time to hang up the cleats.

I'm certain Witten will continue to be a leader and a role model for many.

He is even expected to be in Midland for an event at Mid-Cities Communities Church on Tuesday, along with former Cowboy Ryan Young to talk about, "what it takes to win with character on the field and in life."

There's probably no better person to talk about that than Witten.

He will also be trading his helmet for a microphone as he will be in the broadcast booth for ESPN. Romo hardly said a word and he's been pretty good at it. I'm sure Witten will be fantastic at it.

-I love horse racing and in fact I try to hit up the race tracks in the region every chance I get.

But watching the Kentucky Derby on TV just doesn't do it for me. Maybe it takes away from the beauty of watching the horses run down the stretch up close and in person, which is what I really enjoy.

Horse racing is kind of like hockey and golf for me. TV just doesn't do it justice.

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Strong pitching helps MC split DH with OC, avoid sweep

From staff reports

ODESSA – The Midland College baseball team got another pair of quality pitching performances to come away with a split against rival Odessa College in a doubleheader played Saturday at American Legion Park.

Weseman

MC dropped the first game, 1-0, before bouncing back with a 5-0 win in the second game to prevent a four-game sweep by the Wranglers.

The Chaparrals (35-20, 25-11 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference) will go into next weekend's Region V Tournament at Grand Prairie's Texas Airhog Stadium as the No. 3 seed. MC will play the No. 2 seed out of the North Texas Junior College Athletic Conference in a first round game at 5 p.m. Friday.

The Wrangler pitchers were once again stellar in the first game as John Bridgeman and J.J. Irvin combined to limit the Chaps to just three hits. Bridgeman finished with nine strikeouts and just two walks over 5 1/3 innings.

MC starter Chandler Eaton and reliever Justin Lewis were good as well as Eaton allowed one run on four hits, one walk and struck out three. Lewis allowed just a walk and struck out one over 1 1/3 innings.

The only run came in the second inning on an RBI groundout by Deylen Moreno.

The Chaps finally got their bats going in the series finale with eight hits.

MC took a 2-0 lead in the third on a Tommy Gillman solo home run and on a Cade Bullinger RBI fielder's choice.

After a Bullinger RBI groundout in the sixth, Braden Scrivner gave MC some cushion with a two-run home run in the ninth.

Scriver and Frainyer Chavez each had two hits for the Chaps.

Recent Texas Tech commit Aaron Weseman got the win on the mound as the sophomore left-hander allowed just two hits, walked five and struck out six over six innings. Carson Bailey picked up the save after he allowed two hits, walked one and struck out six.

FIRST GAME
ODESSA COLLEGE 1, MIDLAND COLLEGE 0
Midland College ..... 000 000 – 0 3 1
Odessa College ..... 010 000 x – 1 4 1
Chandler Eaton, Justin Lewis (5) and Cameron Melcher; John Bridgeman, JJ Irvin (6) and Mitch Holding. W – Bridgeman. L – Eaton. 2B – MC: Frainyer Chavez. OC: Treaten Kennard, Harry Fullerton.

Second Game
MIDLAND COLLEGE 5, ODESSA COLLEGE 0
Midland College ..... 002 001002 –5 8 3
Odessa College ..... 000 000000 –0 4 1
Aaron Weseman, Carson Bailey (7) and Melcher. Robert Morales, Eric Oglesbee (6) and Holding. W – Weseman. L – Morales. S – Bailey. 2B – OC: Chance Medina. HR – MC: Tommy Gillman, Braden Scrivner.
Records: Midland College 35-20, 25-11 in WJCAC; Odessa College 33-23, 23-13.
Next: Midland College vs. TBA at Region V Tournament, Grand Prairie; Odessa College vs. TBA, at Region V Tournament, Grand Prairie

MC stays alive at region behind Kistner's gem

From staff reports

LUBBOCK – Midland College sophomore pitcher Crystine Kistner was not ready to come home from the NJCAA Region V West softball tournament.

Kistner

Kistner, the NJCAA Division I leader in strikeouts, struck out 15 batters and allowed just one hit in a 6-0 win over rival Odessa College in a loser's bracket game at Plains Capital Park on Saturday night.

With the win, the Lady Chaparrals (38-22) advanced to today's noon loser's bracket final game against Clarendon College. The winner of that game faces Howard College at 3 p.m. in the championship and would have to beat the Hawks twice to advance to the NJCAA National Tournament.

Earlier in the day, MC stayed alive with an 11-3 win in five innings over El Paso Community College.

"We had a great day," said MC interim coach Amanda Evans. "The girls are playing together and playing for a purpose. I feel confident going into (today). At the end of the day, we've had a great run and a great season. The girls can do anything when they put their minds to it. Hopefully it will be another good day."

Kistner got the win in the circle, while the MC offense had 12 hits in the win over EPCC (13-44). Shaycellyn Ho'uhuli was 3-for-4 with a double; Rocio Barajas was 2-for-3 with a triple, a home run and three RBI; Yvonne Hernandez was 2-for-3 with a double; Rayla Jacobs-Kea was 2-for-3 with two stolen bases; and Regan Hubbard was 2-for-3 with a home run.

Against OC (39-12), the Lady Chap hitters had 13 hits to back up Kistner's strong performance. Alexis Sullivan was 2-for-3; Hernandez was 2-for-4; Jacobs-Kea was 2-for-4 with a stolen base; Hubbard was 2-for-3 with a home run; and Kistner was 2-for-3.

MIDLAND COLLEGE 11, EL PASO CC 3, 5 INNINGS
Midland College ..... 400 34 –11 12 0
El Paso CC ..... 000 21 –3 3 1
Crystine Kistner, Taylor Laing (5) and Mackenzie Hoots, Genesis Arreola, Athena Munz (5) and Nayeli Diaz. W – Kistner. L – Arreola. 2B – MC: Shaycelynn Ho'uhuli, Yvonne Hernandez. 3B – MC: Rocio Barajas. HR – MC: Barajas, Regan Hubbard.

MIDLAND COLLEGE 6, ODESSA COLLEGE 0
Midland College ..... 002 004 0 –6 13 1
Odessa College ..... 000 000 0 –0 1 1
Kistner and Hoots. Britt Jenner, Alva Castillo (6) and Castillo. W – Kistner. L – Jenner. 2B – MC: Ho'uhuli, Mercedes Beltran. HR – MC: Hubbard.

2018 NJCAA Region V West Softball Championships
At Plains Capital Park, Lubbock
Double elimination format
Friday's games
First round
Game 1: (4) Midland College (35-21) 4, (5) Western Texas College (18-30) 3
Game 2: (3) Odessa College (37-10) 11, (6) El Paso Community College (13-42) 1
Second round
Game 3: (1) Howard College (38-7-1) 15, (4) Midland College (36-21) 4
Game 4: (2) Clarendon College (46-8) 13, (3) Odessa College (38-10) 9
Saturday's games
Loser's bracket
Game 5: (4) Midland College (36-22) 11, (6) El Paso Community College (13-43) 3, 5 innings. EPCC is eliminated.
Game 6: (3) Odessa College (38-11) 8, (5) Western Texas College (18-31) 4. WTC is eliminated.
Winner's bracket semifinal
Game 7: (1) Howard College (39-7-1) 7, (2) Clarendon College (47-8) 1
Loser's bracket elimination game
Game 8: (4) Midland College (37-22) 6, (3) Odessa College (39-11) 0. OC is eliminated
Sunday's games
Loser's bracket final
Game 9: (2) Clarendon College (47-9) vs. (4) Midland College (38-22), noon
Championship game
Game 10: (1) Howard College (40-7-1) vs. Game 9 winner, 3 p.m.
Game 11 (if necessary): 30 minutes after completion of Game 10

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OIL REPORT
Look for it in Sunday's edition of the Reporter-Telegram

MIDLAND HUMANE COALITION
5/03 8:30-8:30 Microchip Clinic at Beer Garden's Yappy Hour
5/07 6:00 Adoption Center Volunteer Orientation, PetSmart
5/13 9:00-11:00 Shot & Microchip Clinic at Ulmer Park
6/16 am 4th Annual Hot Dog Run 5K and 1 Mile
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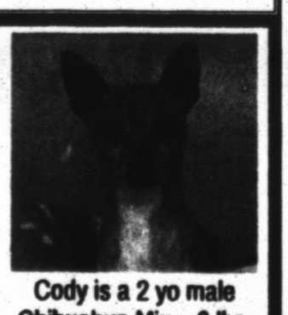

Cody is a 2 yo male Chihuahua Mix, ~8 lbs, from Midland Animal Services. Cody is timid & panics in new situations. Cody plays well with small dogs & will be best in a home without small children due to both his size & fearful nature.

LEE

From 1C

as I did," said Pichardo, who finished the afternoon 2-for-4 with four RBI, three runs and two walks. "Game 2 was definitely a game-changer. We had the momentum on our side and everybody was pumped up."

Added Franklin head coach Ruben Munoz on Pichardo's clutch at-bat: "He's just a great kid and he's always putting in the work. It's times like this where, if you put the work in, it rewards you. It was a big moment for him."

With brand new life and an even series, Preive took the hill in Game 3 for Franklin against Lee junior Noah Harrison. Both right-handers stymied the opposing lineup through two innings before the Cougars began to apply serious pressure in the home third.

Harrison opened the inning by inducing a lineout off the bat of Brock Brenton. But then the next 10 Franklin batters reached base on two errors, three walks and five hits. DeLeon capped the momentous rally with a two-RBI single to center that ballooned the Cougars' lead to 7-0.

Harrison was relieved by J.J. Melendez and Tyler Madrid before the Rebels finally escaped the nightmarish third.

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Junior Alvarez (5) celebrates after hitting an RBI double against El Paso Franklin Saturday, at McCanlies Field in Odessa.

History repeated itself in the fourth, as Franklin's first nine hitters reached base -- a run that included five straight hits and a two-run single by Pichardo to make it 11-0. For a team that had score 10 runs or more in a game just seven times this season, the Cougars' confidence seemed to grow exponentially as each hitter barreled a ball to the open space in the outfield.

Franklin totaled 14 hits in the clinching win, with all of them coming in the third and fourth.

"We believe in each other," Pichardo said. "If one guy gets on you know the next guy is going to produce and that guy produces, the next guys will produce. You've just got to believe in each other and that's what we do best."

Said Munoz: "Usually in baseball, it's a streaky thing where if a couple of guys start doing it, then everybody kind of feeds off it. It's contagious. It just snowballed at the end there and we'll take it."

It was a disheartening end for the Rebels and Lee assistant coach Joe Weik, who was filling in for absent head coach Brian Roper. There was no explanation given for Roper's absence.

"(Franklin) had a lot of barrels (on the ball) and then they also found some holes," Weik said. "They kept hitting the ball where we weren't and we walked some guys. That was basically it. That's baseball."

DeLeon went 5-for-7 with the home run, three RBI and two runs for Franklin on the day. For Lee, seniors Becker, Ty Coleman, Colby Standard and Chase Pederson each collected one hit over the two games.

In his Game 2 start, Becker allowed three earned runs on seven hits, while striking out eight.

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Game 1
EL PASO FRANKLIN 3, LEE 1

Lee	000	100	0	–1	6 0
Franklin	100	002	x	–3	7 0

Adam Becker and Colby Standard, Branden Voytko and Cameron Crotte. W – Voytko. L – Becker. 2B – Lee: Junior Alvarez, Ty Coleman, Adam Becker. HR – Franklin: Jimmy DeLeon, Christian Pichardo.

Game 2
EL PASO FRANKLIN 14, LEE 0, 5 INNINGS

Lee	000	00	–0	0	4
Franklin	007	7x	–14	14	0

Noah Harrison, J.J. Melendez (3), Tyler Madrid (3), Dylan Disco (4) and Colby Standard; Andrew Preive, Bryan VanSlyke (5) and Cameron Crotte. W – Preive. L – Harrison. 3B – Franklin: Matt Giles. Records: El Paso Franklin 23-12-1; Lee 18-15. Next: El Paso Franklin vs. Fort Worth Paschal, TBA in Class 6A area round; Lee has ended its season at 18-15.

ROCKHOUNDS REPORT

ROCKHOUNDS 4, ROUGHRIDERS 2
At Dr Pepper Ballpark, Frisco

TOP HITTERS: Midland's Tyler Ramirez went 2-for-5 with a home run, a double and two RBI. ... Seth Brown was 3-for-4 with an RBI for the RockHounds. ... Carlos Garay led Frisco with two hits.

TOP PITCHERS: Midland starter Corey Walter improved to 2-3 after allowing two runs, five hits and one walk over eight innings. Walter struck out six. ... Dean Kiekhefer pitched around one hit and struck out two in the ninth to pick up his first save for the RockHounds.

HIGHLIGHTS: Brown plated Sean Murphy with an RBI single in the second inning, giving Midland a 1-0 lead. ... The RockHounds took a 3-0 advantage in the third, as Ramirez doubled home Brett Siddall and Murphy plated Eli White with a run-scoring groundout. ... Luis Marte's home run in the bottom of the third, cut Midland's lead to 3-1. ... Ramirez homered to right in the fifth, pushing Midland to a 4-1 lead.

NOTES: Texas Rangers second baseman Rougned Odor was the designated hitter in a rehab assignment for Frisco and he went 0-for-3 with a walk. Odor is on the 10-day disabled list with a hamstring strain. ... Ramirez's 10 doubles this season are tied for third in the Texas League. Murphy and San Antonio's Austin Allen are co-leaders with 14. ... The RockHounds took a 1-0 lead in the four-game series. The series continues at 4:05 p.m. today.

TODAY'S PROBABLES: Midland – TBD; Frisco – LHP Ariel Jurado (0-0, 2.74)

TL standings

North Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Springfield (Cardinals)	16	11	.593	—
Tulsa (Dodgers)	16	12	.571	½
Arkansas (Manners)	13	14	.481	3
NWArkansas (Royals)	10	18	.357	6½
South Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**
San Antonio (Padres)	18	10	.643	—
Corpus Christi (Astros)	17	11	.607	1
Midland (Athletics)	**16**	**13**	**.552**	**2½**
Frisco (Rangers)	6	23	.207	12½

Saturday's scores
Northwest Arkansas 10, Arkansas 4
Springfield 15, Tulsa 5
Midland 4, Frisco 2
Corpus Christi at San Antonio, late
Today's Games
Corpus Christi at San Antonio, 2:05 p.m.
Tulsa at Springfield, 2:10 p.m.
Northwest Arkansas at Arkansas, 2:10 p.m.
Midland at Frisco, 4:05 p.m.

ROCKHOUNDS 4, ROUGHRIDERS 2

Midland	ab	r	h	bi	Frisco	ab	r	h	bi
Sportman 2b	5	0	1	0	Odor dh	3	0	0	0
E. White ss	4	1	1	0	Alvarez lf	4	1	1	0
Ramirez cf	5	1	2	2	Cole rf	4	0	1	1
Murphy c	4	1	1	1	O'Neill cf	4	0	0	0
Brown 1b	4	0	3	1	Beck 1b	4	0	0	0
M. White 3b	3	0	0	0	Garay c	4	0	2	0
Vertigan lf	3	0	1	0	De Leon ss	4	0	0	0
Marincov rf	4	0	1	0	Marte 3b	3	1	1	1
Siddall dh	4	1	1	0	Inoa 2b	3	0	1	0
Totals	**36**	**4**	**11**	**4**	**Totals**	**33**	**2**	**6**	**2**
Midland					.012	010	000–4		
Frisco					.001	001	000–2		

E – Garay (1). LOB – Midland 8, Frisco 5. 2B – Ramirez (10), Garay (1). 3B – Murphy (1), Siddall (1), Cole (1). HR – Ramirez (3), Marte (1). SB – Vertigan (3), Brown (1). CS – E. White (3), Sportman (2).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Midland						
Walter W, 2-3	8.0	5	2	2	1	6
Kiekhefer S, 1	1.0	1	0	0	0	2
Frisco						
Pena L, 1-3	5.0	9	4	4	1	4
Slack	2.0	0	0	0	1	2
Garrett	2.0	2	0	0	1	4

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HS SOFTBALL/BASEBALL PAIRINGS

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL
CLASS 6A
(x-if necessary)
BI-DISTRICT

Fort Worth Paschal (23-8, W4) vs. Weatherford (16-14, F3) at Justin Northwest: Game 1, Paschal 5, Weatherford 1. Game 2: Paschal 6, Weatherford 3. Paschal wins series, 2-0

El Paso Franklin (21-11, R1) vs. Lee (17-13, T2) at McCanlies Field, Odessa: Game 1, Lee 7, Franklin 2; Game 2, Franklin 3, Lee 1; Game 3: Franklin 14, Lee 0. Franklin wins series 2-1.

Keller (22-6, W3) vs. Mansfield (15-11, F4) at North Crowley: Game 1: Keller 10, Mansfield 1; Game 2: Keller 3, Mansfield 2. Keller wins 2-0.

Odessa Permian (24-14, R2) vs. El Paso Socorro (27-9, T1) at Carlsbad, N.M.: Game 1: Permian 1, Socorro 0; Game 2: Socorro 5, Permian 1; Game 3: Socorro 8, Permian 6. Socorro wins, 2-1.

Waco Midway (27-7, W8) vs. Grand Prairie (17-14, F7): Game 1 Midway 9, Grand Prairie 1; Game 2, Grand Prairie 1, Waco Midway 0; Game 3: Waco Midway 4, Grand Prairie 3. Midway wins 2-1

Hurst Bell (20-9, R5) vs. McKinney Boyd (16-15, T6) at Plano John Paul II: Game 1: Bell 4, Boyd 0; Game 2: Bell 2, Boyd 0. Hurst Bell wins series 2-0

Cedar Hill (13-9, W7) vs. Belton (13-14, F8): Game 1, Cedar Hill 1, Belton 0; Game 2: Belton 8, Cedar Hill 2; x-Game 3: Belton 7, Cedar Hill 5. Belton wins, 2-1

Plano West (17-13, R6) vs. Flower Mound Marcus (22-10, T5): Game 1: West 3, Marcus 0; Game 2, Marcus 3, Plano West 2; Game 3: Marcus 8, Plano West 2. Marcus wins series, 2-1

Wolfforth Frenship (27-5, W2) vs. El Paso Coronado (20-12, F4) at Pecos: Game 1: Frenship 4, Coronado 0; Game 2, Coronado 6, Frenship 4; x-Game 3, Coronado 5, Frenship 4. El Paso Coronado wins series 2-1

Keller Timber Creek (24-9, R3) vs. Arlington Martin (16-7, T4): Game 1: Timber Creek 6, Martin 5; Timber Creek wins series 2-0

El Paso Americas (24-6, W1) vs. Odessa High (22-9, F2) at Zachery Field: Game 1, Odessa High 3, El Paso Americas 2; Game 2, Odessa High 9, El Paso Americas 3. Odessa High wins series 2-0.

Arlington High (19-8, R4) vs. Abilene High (18-11, T3) at Hoskins Field, Wichita Falls: Game 1, Abilene High 5, Arlington 1; Game 2, Abilene High 5, Arlington 3

Allen (23-8, W6) vs. Trophy Club Nelson (10-16, F5): Game 1 Allen 2, Nelson 1; Game 2, Nelson 2, Allen 0; Game 3, Nelson 7, Allen 3. Trophy Club Nelson wins series 2-1.

South Grand Prairie (21-7, R7) vs. San Angelo Central (15-19, T8) at Eastland: Game 1, South Grand Prairie 3, San Angelo Central 2 Game 2, South Grand Prairie 4, Central 0. South Grand Prairie wins series 2-0.

Southlake Carroll (25-6, W5) vs. Plano (19-12, F6): Game 1: Carroll 12, Plano 1; Game 2, Carroll 7, Plano 3. Carroll wins series 2-0

Copperas Cove (24-4, R8) vs. Irving MacArthur (19-12, T7) at West: Game 1: Copperas Cove 7, MacArthur 6; Game 2, MacArthur 3, Copperas Cove 1; Game 3, MacArthur 5, Copperas Cove 1

CLASS 4A
BI-DISTRICT

Pecos (17-8-2, W4) 8, Clint Mountain View (1-8, F3) 0

Perryton (13-15, R1) vs. Denver City (15-12-1, T2) at Canyon Randall: Game 1, Denver City 8, Perryton 4; Game 2, Denver City 11, Perryton 4. Denver City wins series 2-0.

Clint (18-6-1, W3) vs. Andrews (12-14-1, F4) at Van Horn: Game 1, Andrews 5, Clint 3; Game 2, Andrews 8, Clint 5. Andrews wins series 2-0

Lubbock Estacado (18-14, R2) vs. Pampa (17-9, T1) at Plainview HS: Game 1, Pampa 3, Estacado 1; Game 2, Estacado 6, Pampa 0; Game 3: Estacado 4, Pampa 1. Estacado wins, 2-1

Godley (22-1, W8) vs. Mineral Wells (10-16, F7) at Brock: Game 1: Godley 12, Mineral Wells 0; Game 2, Godley 8, Mineral Wells 0. Godley wins series 2-0

Sweetwater (13-13, R5) vs. Burkburnett (17-9, T6): Game 1: Burkburnett 5, Sweetwater 2; Game 2, Burkburnett 1, Sweetwater 0. Burkburnett wins series 2-0

Kennedale (22-5-1, W7) vs. Glen Rose (14-12, F8): Game 1 Kennedale 10, Glen Rose 3; Game 2: Kennedale 11, Glen Rose 1. Kennedale wins, 2-1

Vernon (12-9-2, R6) vs. Brownwood (17-10, T5), 6 p.m. Saturday, Crutcher Scott Field, Abilene

Levelland (17-14, W2) vs. Dalhart (9-15-1, F1): Game 1, Levelland 5, Dalhart 4; Game 2, Levelland 13, Dalhart 2. Levelland wins series 2-0.

San Elizario (14-13, R3) vs. Monahans (14-14, T4) at Veterans Memorial Complex, Hobbs, N.M.: Game 1, Monahans 8, San Elizario 3; Game 2, Monahans 10, San Elizario 6. Monahans wins series 2-0.

Bushland (24-4, W1) vs. Lamesa (15-11, F2) at Lubbock Cooper: Game 1, Bushland 7, Lamesa 5; Game 2, Bushland 18, Lamesa 8. Bushland wins series 2-0.

Greenwood (11-14-2, R4) 9, Fabens 0

Iowa Park (24-1, W6) 5, Snyder 0

Benbrook (16-12, R7) vs. Stephenville (13-12-2, T8) at Cleburne: Game 1, Stephenville 6, Benbrook 4; Game 2, Stephenville 16, Benbrook 9. Stephenville wins series 2-0.

Abilene Wylie (20-4-1, W5) vs. Graham (17-14-1, F6): Game 1: Graham 1, Wylie 0; Game 2, Wylie 12, Graham 8; Game 3: Wylie 9, Graham 5. Wylie wins, 2-1.

Midlothian Heritage (20-5, R8) vs. Fort Worth Castleberry (18-8-1, T7) at White Settlement Brewer: Game 1: Heritage 4, Castleberry 3; Game 2: Heritage 4, Castleberry 3. Heritage wins, 2-0

CLASS 3A PLAYOFFS
(x-if necessary)
BI-DISTRICT

Wall (23-5-1, W4) 8, Karnes 0

Childress (12-16-1, R1) vs. Slaton (13-10, T2) at Ralls: Game 1, Slaton 8, Childress 3; Game 2, Slaton 14, Childress 3. Slaton wins series 2-0

Alpine (14-6-1, W3) 15, San Angelo TLCA (13-13, F4), 8

Idalou (14-14-1, R2) 15, Dimmitt (7-12, T1) 5

Tolar (8-13, F7) 8, Holliday (18-7, W8) 7

Coahoma (10-12-2, R5) vs. Dublin (8-11, T6) at Hawley: Game 1, Dublin 4, Coahoma 3; Game 2: Dublin 11, Coahoma 2. Dublin wins series 2-0.

Brock (24-2-1, W7) vs. Paradise (10-14, F8) at Weatherford College: Game 1: Brock 3, Paradise 2; Game 2, Brock 11, Paradise 1. Brock wins series 2-0

Comanche (11-8, R6) 8, Tuscola Jim Ned 7

Shallowater (25-1-3, W2) vs. Amarillo River Road (8-18, F1) at Littlefield: Game 1, Shallowater 15, River Road 2; Game 2, Shallowater 13, River Road 6. Shallowater wins series 2-0

Ballinger (12-11-1, T4) 10, Presidio 6

Tulia (19-4, W1) vs. Lubbock Roosevelt (6-17, F2) at Lubbock Christian: Game 1: Tulia 7, Roosevelt 1, 10 innings; Game 2, Tulia 10, Roosevelt 0. Tulia wins series 2-0

Reagan County (22-5, R4) vs. Tornillo (5-9, T3) at Fort Stockton: Game 1: Reagan County 4, Tornillo 0; Game 2: Reagan County 6, Tornillo 5. Reagan County wins series 2-0.

Brady (16-4-1, W6) vs. Merkel (9-10, F5) at Brownwood: Game 1, Brady 10, Merkel 0; Game 2, Brady 16, Merkel 3. Brady wins series 2-0.

Peaster (20-5, R7) vs. Boyd (15-15-1, T8) at Graford: Game 1, Peaster 7, Boyd 1; Game 2: Peaster 8, Boyd 0. Peaster wins 2-0

Clyde (23-3, W5) 13, Bangs 3

Jacksboro (14-12-1, R8) vs. Breckenridge (17-10, T7) at Graford: Game 1: Jacksboro 8, Breckenridge 7, Game 2: Breckenridge 6, Jacksboro 0; Game 3, Jacksboro 10, Breckenridge 5. Jacksboro wins series 2-1.

CLASS 2A PLAYOFFS
(x-if necessary)
BI-DISTRICT

Post (21-1-1, W4) vs. Lockney (20-7, F3): Game 1: Post 6, Lockney 3; Game 2, Lockney 7, Post 6, x-Game 3: Post 16, Lockney 0. Post wins, 2-1

Stinnett West Texas (15-5, R1) 10, Claude 1

New Deal (21-2, W3) vs. Smyer (10-7, F4) at Levelland: Game 1, New Deal 13, Smyer 5; Game 2, New Deal 7, Smyer 6. New Deal wins series 2-0.

Wellington (8-3, R2) vs. Sanford-Fritch (1-10, T1), Game 1: Wellington 10, Sanford-Fritch 6; Game 2: Wellington 7, Sanford-Fritch 1. Wellington wins, 2-0.

Albany (14-2-3, W8) vs. Winters (4-16, F7) at Walt Driggers Field, Abilene: Game 1: Albany 11, Winters 8; Game 3, Albany 10, Winters 0. Albany wins series 2-0

Anthony (6-10, R5), bye.

De Leon (17-2, W7) vs. Haskell (8-10, F8): Game 1, De Leon 18, Haskell 4; Game 2, De Leon 12, Haskell 2. De Leon wins series 2-0.

Fort Hancock (3-4, T5), bye.

Clarendon 25, Boys Ranch 1

Abernathy (18-5, R3) vs. Tahoka (13-8, T4) at Lubbock Christian: Game 1, Abernathy 19, Tahoka 6; Game 2, Abernathy 14, Tahoka 6. Abernathy wins series 2-0.

Gruver (17-7, W1) 10, Memphis 0

Sundown (13-5, R4) vs. Floydada (16-10-1, T3) at Westerner Field, Lubbock: Game 1, Sundown 10, Floydada 0; Game 2, Floydada 21, Sundown 3. Floydada wins series 2-0

Forsan (6-11-1, W6) 12 Van Horn (3-9, F5) 0

Miles (R7) vs. Stamford (11-10, T8) at Hermleigh: Game 1: Stamford 9, Miles 5; Game 2, Stamford 7, Miles 1. Stamford wins series 2-0

McCamey (11-8, W5), bye.

Hawley (20-5, R8) 3, Goldthwaite (T7) 0

TAPPS
Division II
Bi-District

Midland Christian (19-11-1, R1) 6, Austin St. Michael's 5

Division IV
Bi-District

Midland Classical 10, Dallas Lakehills Prep 4

Area

Denton Calvary 11, Midland Classical 0, 5 innings

HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL
CLASS 6A
(x-if necessary)
AREA

Mansfield (28-0-1, W4) vs. Odessa High (23-7-1, T2), Wells Field, Abilene Christian University; Game 1: Mansfield 10, Odessa High 9; Game 2, Mansfield 9, Odessa High 7. Mansfield wins series 2-0.

Keller High (27-2-1, W3) 10, Wolfforth Frenship (24-9, R2) 0

Belton (W8) vs. Wylie (18-3, T6), Glen Rose HS, Game 1: Wylie 11, Belton 0, 5 innings; Game 2, Wylie 11, Belton 6. Wylie wins series 2-0.

Denton Guyer (22-3-2, R6) 9, Duncanville (23-1-1, W7) 2

Odessa Permian (30-2, W2) vs. Keller Timber Creek (18-7, R3), Wells Field, Abilene Christian University; Game 1: Permian 13, Timber Creek 4; Game 2, Timber Creek 8, Permian 2; Game 3, Permian 7, Timber Creek 1. Permian wins series 2-1.

El Paso Coronado (30-4, W1) vs. Abilene High (14-12, T3), Ratliff Softball Complex, Game 1, Abilene High 6, Coronado 4; Game 2, Abilene High 8, Coronado 1. Abilene High wins series 2-0

Plano (21-3, W6) 15, South Grand Prairie (17-10-1, R7) 5

Flower Mound (24-7-2, W5) vs. Waco Midway (22-6, R8), Cleburne, Game 1: Flower Mound 8, Midway 5; Game 2: Midway 4, Flower Mound 1; Game 3, Flower Mound 8, Midway 7. Flower Mound wins series 2-1

CLASS 4A
(x-if necessary)
AREA

Fort Stockton (W4) vs. Pampa (R1), Lubbock: Game 1, Pampa 8, Fort Stockton 5; Game 2, Fort Stockton 11, Pampa 8; Game 3, Fort Stockton 11, Pampa 6. Fort Stockton wins series 2-1.

Greenwood (18-15-3) vs. Levelland (21-14-1, R2), Snyder; Game 1: Levelland 3, Greenwood 2; Game 2: Greenwood 6, Levelland 5; Game 3: Levelland 14, Greenwood 13. Levelland wins series, 2-1

Alvarado (20-6, W8) vs. Brownwood (20-6-1, R5), Brock; Game 1, Brownwood 3, Alvarado 2; Game 2, Brownwood 10, Alvarado 0. Brownwood wins series 2-0.

Vernon (21-3, R6) 10, Godley 1

Seminole (14-5, W2) vs. Monahans (25-9, T4), Jal (N.M.) HS; Game 1, Monahans 1, Seminole 0; Game 2, Monahans 3, Seminole 2. Monahans wins series 2-0.

Bushland (W1) vs. Andrews (15-13-2, R4), Lubbock Coronado; Game 1, Bushland 10, Andrews 3; Game 2, Bushland 8, Andrews 2. Bushland wins series 2-0.

Graham (24-6, W6) vs. Stephenville (13-5-1, T8), Mineral Wells, Game 1: Stephenville 2, Graham 0; Game 2, Graham 5, Stephenville 3; Game 3, Graham 8, Stephenville 3. Graham wins series 2-1

Big Spring (12-8-1, W5) vs. Venus (17-7-1, R8), Hawley; Game 1: Venus 1, Big Spring 0; Game 2: Venus 3, Big Spring 2. Venus wins, 2-1.

CLASS 3A
AREA

Wall (22-5-1, W4) vs. Idalou (T2), Snyder: Game 1: Wall 6, Idalou 1; Game 2, Wall 20, Idalou 7. Wall wins series 2-0

Alpine (22-10, W3) vs. Slaton (R2), Stanton HS: Game 1, late; Game 2, Alpine 13, Slaton 2. Alpine wins series 2-0.

Henrietta (19-10, W8) vs. Coahoma (19-5, R5), Albany; Game 1: Henrietta 2, Coahoma 0; Game 2: Coahoma 8, Henrietta 5; Game 3: Henrietta 4, Coahoma 3. Henrietta wins series, 2-1.

Brock (26-5, W7) vs. Merkel (12-10), Game 1: Brock 5, Merkel 3. Game 2, Brock 13, Merkel 1. Brock wins series 2-0

Shallowater (W2) vs. Presidio (R3), Crane HS, Game 1, Shallowater 9, Presidio 4; Game 2, Presidio 8, Shallowater 7; Shallowater 6, Presidio 5. Shallowater wins series 2-1.

Amarillo River Road (24-2, W1) vs. Ballinger (12-8, F4), Lubbock-Cooper: Game 1, River Road 9, Ballinger 2; Game 2: River Road 19, Ballinger 1. River Road wins, 2-0

Colorado City (10-12, F5) vs. Eastland (R7), Hawley, Game 1: Colorado City 5, Eastland 4; Game 2, Eastland 5, Colorado City 4; Game 3: Colorado City 6, Eastland 3. Colorado City wins, 2-1.

Clyde (25-4, W5) vs. Wichita Falls City View (R8), Game 1: Clyde 2, City View 0; Game 2, 8 p.m. Friday, Abilene Christian. Clyde wins series 2-0.

CLASS 2A
AREA

Sundown (F3) vs. Floydada (13-8, T2), Lubbock High; Game 1: Floydada 8, Sundown 2; Game 2: Floydada 21, Sundown 3. Floydada wins series, 2-0.

Post (15-5, W3) vs. Ralls (19-7-1, R2), Lubbock Estacado; Game 1: Ralls 15, Post 4; Game 2, Ralls 10, Post 3. Ralls wins series 2-0.

Windthorst 13, Miles (R5) 0

Albany (20-7, W7) 19, Ozona 2

Abernathy (14-6, W2) vs. Forsan (15-17, R3), Sundown; Game 1: Forsan 9, Abernathy 3; Game 2: Forsan 10, Abernathy 7. Forsan wins series 2-0.

New Deal (F2) vs. Tahoka (16-12, T3): Game 1, New Deal 11, Tahoka 7; Game 2, New Deal 12, Tahoka 2. New Deal wins series 2-0.

Hawley (21-8, R7) 12, Junction 2

Mason (12-5, W3) vs. Petrolia (22-9, R8), Trent; Game 1, Petrolia 10, Mason 0; Game 2, Petrolia 20, Mason 6. Petrolia wins series 2-0.

TAPPS
Division II
Bi-district

Midland Christian (5-21) 11, Austin Hyde Park (15-4) 7

TEXAS MLB ROUNDUP

Associated Press

American League

RED SOX 6
RANGERS 5

ARLINGTON — Craig Kimbrel became the quickest pitcher to reach 300 career saves, closing out a 6-5 win by the Boston Red Sox after they rallied and got the go-ahead run in the top of the ninth inning at Texas on Saturday night.

Kimbrel worked a perfect ninth for his ninth save this season. His 300th save overall came in his 494th career appearance and 330th save opportunity, and just less than three weeks before his 30th birthday.

Andrew Benintendi hit a triple off the right-center wall in the ninth against Keone Kela (2-2) and scored on a sacrifice fly by Hanley Ramirez.

The Rangers had the bases loaded with one out in the eighth before Joe Kelly (1-0) struck out the only two batters he faced. He fanned Joey Gallo, the slugger who had already hit two impressive home runs, and then got Jurickson Profar on a called third strike to end an 11-pitch at-bat.

Kimbrel ended the game with a foul pop and two strikeouts to reach 300 saves quicker than anyone in terms of appearances, save opportunities and age. Mariano Rivera had gotten his 300th save in his 537th game, Joe Nathan in his 335th save opportunity and Francisco Rodriguez at age 31.

Boston is 24-9, the best record in the majors, and retained sole possession of the AL East lead a game ahead of the Yankees after New York (23-10) won for the 14th time in 15 games earlier Saturday, 5-2 at home over Cleveland. The Red Sox have been alone atop the division since April 1.

Four Red Sox pitchers combined for 17 strikeouts, matching the most against Texas this season.

Delino DeShields hit a three-run homer in the fifth that put the Rangers up 4-1, when the ball hit on top of the 14-foot wall down the left field line and ricocheted into the seats. It came immediately after Red Sox starter Eduardo Rodriguez issued a two-out walk on a full-count changeup to No. 9 hitter Ryan Rua.

Mitch Moreland hit a two-run homer for the Red Sox in the sixth, and they got even in the seventh when Behintendi had an RBI double before coming home on a single by J.D. Martinez.

D-BACKS 4
ASTROS 3

PHOENIX — A.J. Pollock singled off the glove of third baseman Alex Bregman with the bases loaded in the ninth inning, lifting the Arizona Diamondbacks over the Houston Astros 4-3 on Friday night to end their longest skid of the season at three.

Pollock delivered off reliever Brad Peacock on the first pitch after Chris Devenski (1-1) had walked the previous two hitters to load the bases. Brad Boxberger (1-2) got the win in relief.

Astros reliever Collin McHugh became the first pitcher to enter a regular-season game in the Diamondbacks' shiny new bullpen cart. McHugh replaced starter Charlie Morton in the sixth inning.

Brian McCann doubled with two outs in the eighth inning off Yoshihisa Hirano to pull Houston within 3-2, and then pinch-hitter Derek Fisher scored McCann with a double to tie it. In a dramatic ninth, the Diamondbacks had Deven Marrero on second base with one out when David Peralta, who homered earlier in the game, was called out on a check-swing appeal. Reliever Archie Bradley was ejected for arguing with third base umpire Dan Iassogna from the dugout.

Pollock's hit went off the glove of third baseman Alex Bregman and into shallow left field to score Marrero.

The Diamondbacks' Zack Greinke held the World Series champions to a run on five hits over 5 2/3 innings. He struck out five and walked two.

Morton worked five innings and only allowed three hits, but gave up three runs and walked four. Morton uncharacteristically walked the first three batters he faced and four total in the first but only gave up one run.

Pollock's sacrifice fly with the bases loaded gave Arizona a 1-0 lead, but the Diamondbacks couldn't add on despite loading the bases again in the inning. Morton came into the game with 13 walks this season.

MLB GLANCE

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Standings

American League

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	24	9	.727	—
New York	23	10	.697	1
Toronto	18	16	.529	6½
Tampa Bay	15	16	.484	8
Baltimore	8	24	.250	15½
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Cleveland	17	16	.515	—
Detroit	14	18	.438	2½
Minnesota	12	17	.414	3
Kansas City	10	23	.303	7
Chicago	9	22	.290	7
West Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Los Angeles	20	12	.625	—
Houston	21	14	.600	½
Seattle	18	13	.581	1½
Oakland	16	16	.500	4
Texas	13	22	.371	8½

National League

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	19	13	.594	—
Philadelphia	18	14	.563	1
New York	17	14	.548	1½
Washington	17	17	.500	3
Miami	12	20	.375	7
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
St. Louis	19	12	.613	—
Milwaukee	20	14	.588	½
Chicago	16	14	.533	2½
Pittsburgh	18	16	.529	2½
Cincinnati	8	25	.242	12
West Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Arizona	22	11	.667	—
Colorado	19	15	.559	3½
San Francisco	18	15	.545	4
Los Angeles	15	18	.455	7
San Diego	12	22	.353	10½

American League
Saturday's scores
N.Y. Yankees 5, Cleveland 2
Detroit 3, Kansas City 2
Tampa Bay 5, Toronto 3
Minnesota 8, Chicago White Sox 4
Boston 6, Texas 5
Arizona 4, Houston 3
Baltimore at Oakland, late
L.A. Angels at Seattle, late
Today's Games
Cleveland (Clevinger 2-0) at N.Y. Yankees (German 0-1), 12:05 p.m.
Toronto (Estrada 2-2) at Tampa Bay (Archer 2-2), 12:10 p.m.
Minnesota (Gibson 1-1) at Chicago White Sox (Shields 1-3), 1:10 p.m.
Detroit (Boyd 1-2) at Kansas City (Junis 3-2), 1:15 p.m.
Boston (Sale 2-1) at Texas (Fister 1-2), 2:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Cobb 0-3) at Oakland (Triggs 2-1), 3:05 p.m.
Houston (Verlander 4-0) at Arizona (Koch 1-0), 3:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Ohtani 2-1) at Seattle (Hernandez 4-2), 3:10 p.m.

National League
Saturday's scores
St. Louis 8, Chicago Cubs 6, 10 innings
Philadelphia 3, Washington 1
San Francisco 11, Atlanta 2
Colorado 2, N.Y. Mets 0
Miami 6, Cincinnati 0
Milwaukee 5, Pittsburgh 3
San Diego 7, L.A. Dodgers 4
Arizona 4, Houston 3
Today's Games
Colorado (Freeland 1-4) at N.Y. Mets (Syndergaard 2-1), 12:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Arrieta 3-1) at Washington (Scherzer 6-1), 12:35 p.m.
San Francisco (Suarez 0-1) at Atlanta (Soroka 1-0), 12:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Kuhl 3-2) at Milwaukee (Anderson 3-2), 1:10 p.m.
Houston (Verlander 4-0) at Arizona (Koch 1-0), 3:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Hill 1-1) vs. San Diego (Lauer 0-1) at Monterrey, 3:10 p.m.
Miami (Straily 0-0) at Cincinnati (Finnegan 0-2), 3:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Lester 2-1) at St. Louis (Wacha 4-1), 7:05 p.m.

Texas boxes

RED SOX 6, RANGERS 5

Boston	ab	r	h	bi	Texas	ab	r	h	bi
Betts rf	4	1	0	0	DShields cf	4	1	2	3
Bnntndi cf-lf	5	2	3	2	Choo rf	4	0	1	0
H.Rmirz dh	4	0	1	1	Knr-Fll 2b	4	0	0	0
J.Mrtn lf	5	1	2	1	Mazara dh	3	0	0	0
Brdly J cf	0	0	0	0	Gallo 1b	4	2	2	2
Bgaerts ss	4	0	1	0	Profar ss	4	0	0	0
Mreland 1b	3	1	2	2	R.Nunez 3b	3	0	0	0
E.Nunez 2b	3	0	0	0	R.Chrne c	4	1	1	0
Devers 3b	4	0	0	0	Rua lf	2	1	0	0
C.Vazqz c	3	1	0	0	Guzman ph	1	0	0	0
Totals	35	6	9	6	Totals	33	5	6	5
Boston					.000	012	201–6		
Texas					.010	001	000–5		

E—Hamels (1), R.Nunez (3). DP—Texas 1. LOB—Boston 7, Texas 4. 2B—Benintendi (9), Bogaerts (10), Choo (9). 3B—Benintendi (3). HR—Moreland (5), DeShields (2), Gallo 2 (12). SF—H.Ramirez (2), S—E.Nunez (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Boston						
Rodriguez	6	4	5	5	2	10
Hembree	11-3	2	0	0	1	3
Kelly W,1-0	2-3	0	0	0	0	2
Kimbrel S,9-10	1	0	0	0	0	2
Texas						
Hamels	6	5	3	2	2	5
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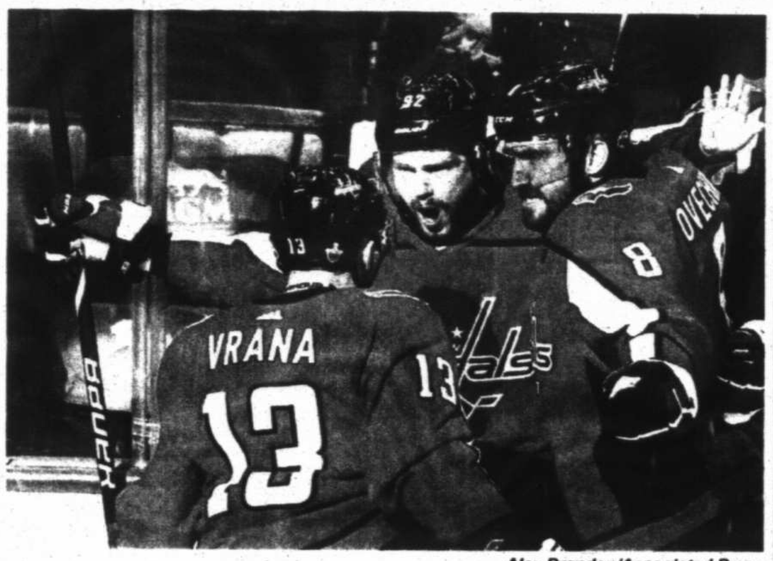

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Washington Capitals left wing Jakub Vrana (13), from the Czech Republic, center Evgeny Kuznetsov (92), from Russia, and left wing Alex Ovechkin (8), also from Russia, celebrate Kuznetsov's goal during the third period of Game 5 in the second round on Saturday in Washington.

Vrana makes most of promotion, Caps win to put Pens on brink

By Stephen Whyno
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Jakub Vrana scored the go-ahead goal with 4:38 remaining, Braden Holtby made 35 saves and the Washington Capitals beat the Pittsburgh Penguins 6-3 in Game 5 Saturday night to take a 3-2 lead in the second-round series and put the back-to-back defending Stanley Cup champions on the brink of elimination.

Vrana made coach Barry Trotz look like a genius for moving him to the top line alongside Alex Ovechkin and Evgeny Kuznetsov, replacing Devante Smith-Pelly in the second period. Vrana sprung Kuznetsov for a breakaway on Washington's tying goal 52 seconds into the third and finished off Ovechkin's pass for the game-winner.

The Capitals are one victory from advancing to the Eastern Conference final for the first time in the Ovechkin era and overall since 1998, when they reached the Stanley Cup Final. They can move on to face the winner of the Tampa Bay-Boston series if they win Game 6 Monday in Pittsburgh.

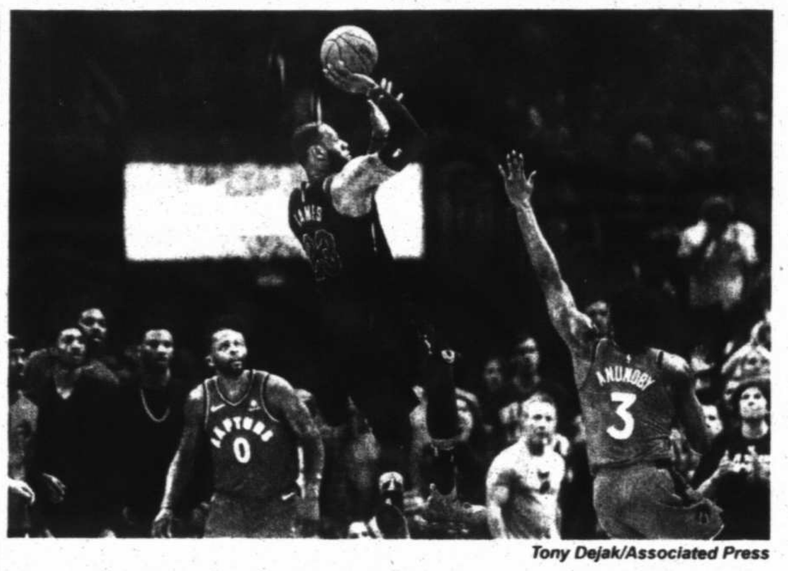
They're up on the Penguins on the strength of Ovechkin's offense and the goaltending of Holtby, who kept them in the game for long stretches when the Penguins were pressing. Holtby was at his best when the Capitals were outshot 18-5 in the second period.

John Carlson and Brett Connolly scored 33 seconds apart in the first period for Washington to erase Pittsburgh's lead from Jamie Oleksiak's goal. Several penalties allowed Sidney Crosby and Patric Hornqvist to score power-play goals that put the Penguins ahead until Trotz's switch paid dividends with Vrana's assist.

Washington put Pittsburgh on the brink despite playing without star center Nicklas Backstrom for much of the third period. With Lars Eller double-shifting, the Capitals took control of the game and iced it on empty-netters by T.J. Oshie and Eller.

The Capitals took a 3-2 series lead on the Penguins for the first time in four playoff series dating to 2009. They needed to erase a 3-1 deficit just to force a Game 7 last year.

NOTES: Matt Murray allowed four goals on 30 shots in net for Pittsburgh. ... The goals 33 seconds apart by Carlson and Connolly were the second-fastest in Capitals playoff history behind Craig Laughlin and Dave Christian (32 seconds) in 1984. ... Crosby took sole possession of second place on the Penguins' all-time playoff goals list with his 66th, breaking a tie with Jaromir Jagr. Crosby is 10 shy of Mario Lemieux for the most in franchise history. ... Carlson is 36th defenseman in history and third active with 10-plus power-play points in the playoffs. No defenseman has reached 11 power-play points in the postseason since Nicklas Lidstrom and Sergei Gonchar in 2009. ... Oleksiak's goal was his first point in 11 playoff games.



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Cleveland Cavaliers' LeBron James (23) hits the game-winning shot as Toronto Raptors' OG Anunoby (3) and CJ Miles (0) watch during the second half of Game 3 on Saturday in Cleveland. The Cavaliers defeated the Raptors 105-103.

NBA PLAYOFF ROUNDUP

Associated Press

CAVALIERS 105
RAPTORS 103

CLEVELAND — LeBron James banked in a running one-hander at the buzzer, giving Cleveland a 105-103 win over Toronto on Saturday night in Game 3 and shoving the Raptors to the edge of their most devastating playoff exit.

After the Raptors tied it on rookie OG Anunoby's 3-pointer with eight seconds left, James took the inbounds pass, dribbled the length of the floor and in one motion, dropped his 10-footer in front of Toronto's stunned bench.

The Cavs ran and mobbed James and moments later he was back up on the scorer's table — just like after a game-winner against Indiana last round — to celebrate a win that was up for grabs.

James finished with 38 points, Kevin Love added 21 and 16 rebounds and Kyle Korver 18 for the Cavs, who can sweep the Raptors for the second straight year.

Kyle Lowry scored 27 for Toronto, which clawed back in the fourth quarter with All-Star DeMar DeRozan on the bench.

After winning two games in Canada, the Cavs came home and won a brawl with the Raptors, who just can't beat James. He's 11-2 against Toronto in the past three postseasons.

The three-time champion has ended the Raptors' past two seasons, and despite playing with a different supporting cast, James is one win from a Toronto trifecta.

NBA PLAYOFF GLANCE

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CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
Eastern Conference
Cleveland 3, Toronto 0
Tuesday, May 1: Cleveland 113 Toronto 112 OT
Thursday, May 3: Cleveland 128, Toronto 110
Saturday, May 5: Cleveland 105, Toronto 103
Monday, May 7: Toronto at Cleveland, 8:30 p.m.
x-Wednesday, May 9: Cleveland at Toronto, TBA
x-Friday, May 11: Toronto at Cleveland, TBA
x-Sunday, May 13: Cleveland at Toronto, TBA
Boston 3, Philadelphia 0
Monday, April 30: Boston 117, Philadelphia 101
Thursday, May 3: Boston 108, Philadelphia 103
Saturday, May 5: Boston 101, Philadelphia, 98
Monday, May 7: Boston at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
x-Wednesday, May 9: Philadelphia at Boston, TBA
x-Friday, May 11: Boston at Philadelphia, TBA
x-Sunday, May 13: Philadelphia at Boston, TBA
Western Conference
Houston 2, Utah 1
Sunday, April 29: Houston 110, Utah 96
Wednesday, May 2: Utah 116, Houston 108
Friday, May 4: Houston 113, Utah 92
Today: Houston at Utah, 8 p.m.
Tuesday, May 8: Utah at Houston, TBA
x-Thursday, May 10: Houston at Utah, TBA
x-Monday, May 14: Utah at Houston, TBA
Golden State 2, New Orleans 1
Saturday, April 28: Golden State 123, New Orleans 101
Tuesday, May 1: Golden State 121, New Orleans 116
Friday, May 4: New Orleans 119, Golden State 100
Today: Golden State at New Orleans, 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 8: New Orleans at Golden State, TBA
x-Thursday, May 10: Golden State at New Orleans, TBA
x-Monday, May 14: New Orleans at Golden State, TBA

CELTICS 101
76ERS 98
OVERTIME

PHILADELPHIA — Al Horford had no use for the premature celebration that showered confetti all over the 76ers' home court at the end of regulation, delaying overtime and prompting an impromptu cleanup job.

Turns out, Horford has the Celtics just a game away from a real sweep.

Horford scored the go-ahead basket for Boston late in overtime in a wild Game 3 where the Philadelphia 76ers were sloppy with the basketball and the confetti, leading the Celtics to a 101-98 victory and a 3-0 series lead on Saturday night.

"These are the kind of moments you want to be in as a basketball player," Horford said.

He saw some wild ones down the stretch.

Marco Belinelli had hit a buzzer-beater to end the fourth quarter that sent the Sixers into a wild celebration on the court as confetti shot out of a cannon that made it rain over chunks of the arena.

Hold up.

Game 3 was only headed into OT.

"I wanted to play right away," Horford said. "I didn't care about the confetti."

The tale of the (ticker) tape shows the Celtics are still the team to beat.

The Celtics, who rallied from a 22-point deficit to beat the 76ers 108-103 in Game 2, can advance to the Eastern Conference finals for the second straight season on Monday.

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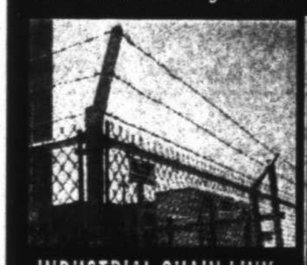
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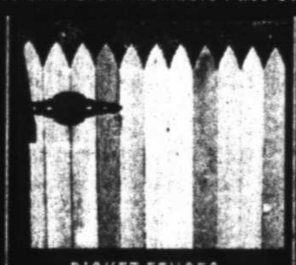
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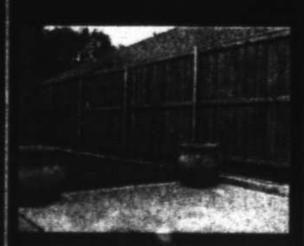
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joining track at first.

"Originally Coach Stotts had asked me if I wanted to be in track, so I originally didn't take up his offer because I didn't really feel like being in track," Liming said.

Hibbert said Liming tried swimming, but he didn't care for it because he was isolated in his pool lane most of the time. The Andrews junior eventually decided to give track a whirl.

"I originally got into wheelchair racing but that wasn't interesting to me," Liming said. "Then I got offered to do shot put and I did that."

Liming took up shot put as a sophomore and he has embraced it ever since.

"I like being able to go out of town and see new places," Liming said.

In addition to traveling to meets outside Andrews, Liming has enjoyed the social interaction that comes with track. Hibbert says Wyatt now interacts with students at school, and initiates conversations with them.

The Mustangs throwers have gone above and beyond to make Liming and Jaben Hernandez (the team's freshman wheelchair thrower) feel like they're a part of the team like anyone else.

"He's a really big inspiration," Andrews state discus qualifier Jacob Mechler said. "I love Wyatt, he's really funny. I like him."

Hibbert says her throwers are such special people that they frequently give Liming a ride in their automobiles when he leaves school, and drive him to the throwing pit on the other end of Mustang Bowl.

"He enjoys the camaraderie of the kids," Hibbert said. "The group that I have has been so amazing. The first thing they do is jump in and help Wyatt, help Jaben. They help him get set up, help him learn. They will coach them. They will coach him on the side. If I'm wrapped up in discus over here, I've got four or five kids over there coaching him, just because they know how I work and the things that I teach."

In the wheelchair shot put, throwers use only their abdominal, back and upper body muscles according to Hibbert, a two-time state champ in the discus at Refugio and a former collegiate thrower at Sam Houston State.

Fortunately for Liming, the sport suited him well as he walks to all eight of his classes and to his home on crutches, building up his core strength. Liming views it as a blessing.

"My toughest health challenge would probably be just walking in crutches, but I figured that out pretty quick," Liming said. "That's given me some advantages such as increased muscle mass from walking."

With Hibbert, Liming has a coach and mentor that knows the feeling of competing in front of thousands at the University of Texas track stadium.

"I've expressed that with Wyatt and he's pretty excited about that," Hibbert said. "He's nervous, which is a good thing, because those nerves can be a great asset to an athlete. It just shows them that they care and that they're willing to go for the challenge. When he heard what the furthest throw was in state, which is a 25 (footer), he's gone a little extra this week as far as working hard. It's going to be interesting for him."

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MCS

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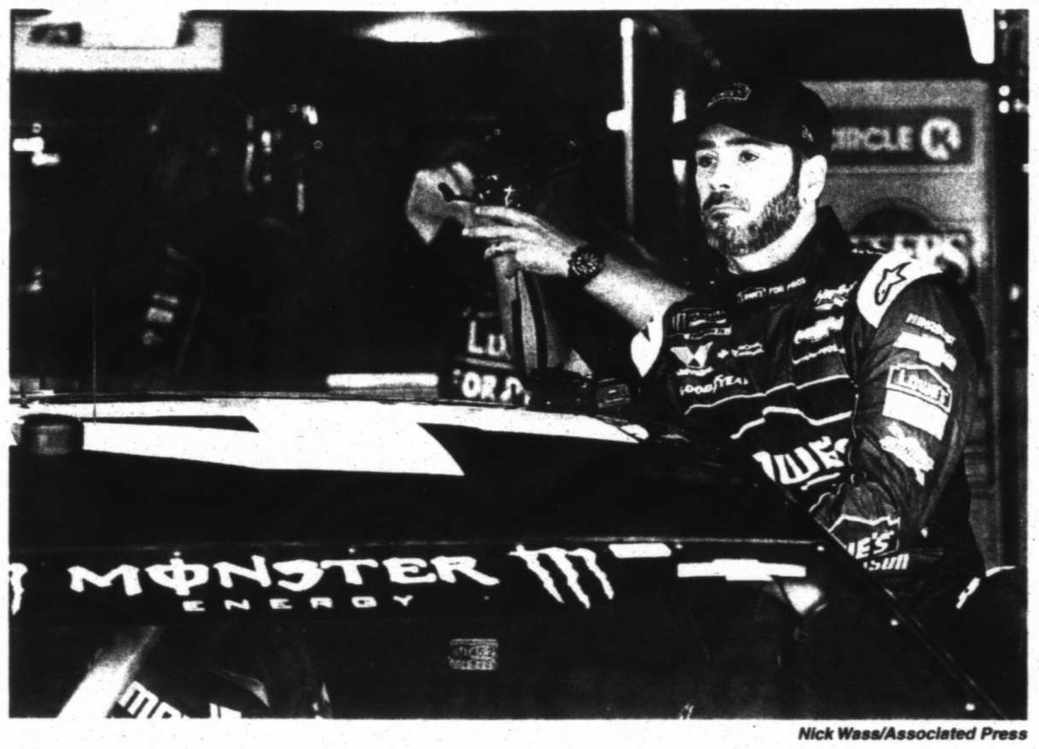
Other performances of note included the MCS boys 400 relay finishing sixth (44.26), MCS junior Jacob Thomas turning in a sixth-place showing in the boys 400 (52.04), MCS junior Joe Rawicki finishing fifth in the boys 200 (22.91), the MCS boys 1,600 relay coming in sixth (3:34.66) and Trinity senior Mark Fanous registering a sixth-place in the boys 300 hurdles (43.10).

Johnson hopes Dover is answer to worst losing streak

By Dan Gelston
Associated Press



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Jimmie Johnson climbs into his car before practice for the NASCAR Cup series auto race, Saturday, at Dover International Speedway in Dover, Del.

DOVER, Del. — Jimmie Johnson wore a helmet painted in tribute to boyhood race hero Cale Yarborough. He then went out and tied the Hall of Famer on NASCAR's career wins list last year at Dover.

For Johnson, winning at Dover had become the norm — his 11 wins on the mile track are easily the record. His victory was already his third of the season and the hunt for a record eighth championship was roaring ahead.

Until it stalled.

He had just two top-10s over the next 12 races, fell out of title contention and never finished a race better than third. He opened this season by wrecking out of the Daytona 500 and has just one top-five in 10 races.

The 42-year-old Johnson is used to racking up the kind of milestones that have made him a surefire Hall of Famer. But his return to Dover marks a rather ignominious distinction — he's riding the longest losing streak of his career at 33 races.

Is it over at Dover?

"We'll get it close, and history shows that," Johnson said. "Hopefully we get it perfect and we can have the day that we really want to have and get back to victory lane. But it does take a little pressure off me knowing that this is my best track and knowing that this is my favorite track."

The Hendrick Motorsports driver swept Dover in 2002 and 2009 and won races in 2005, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2017. He also joined NASCAR Hall of Famers Richard Petty (Martinsville-15, North Wilkesboro-15, Richmond-13, Rockingham-11) and Darrell Waltrip (Bristol-12, Martinsville-11) as drivers to win 11 races at a single track. His 83rd career victory tied him with Yarborough for sixth on the career victory list. Waltrip and Bobby Allison are next at 84.

"I think we have created an environment of very high expectations because of the success we've had and I think people forget how special our run has been," Johnson said. "We certainly want to get back into those ways and have it happen again. But history shows it doesn't happen very often. And we're very fortunate to harness lightning for a long stretch of time."

His biggest loss, though, has been his sponsor. Lowe's is leaving the sport after 18 years as the only Cup Series sponsor Johnson has had. His rights are for sale for the first time.

Then there is the question of his manufacturer — Chevrolet switched its car body to the Camaro. Austin Dillon's win in the Daytona 500 is the only one for a Chevy driver this season and Kyle Larson's pole run on Friday was just the second for Chevy of the season.

Toyota won eight of the final 10 races in 2017, including the championship with Martin Truex Jr. and Furniture Row Racing.

"I think we have been the benchmark or that high watermark for so many years, that other manufacturers and teams invested a couple of years in figuring out how to beat us," Johnson said.

Johnson, who starts 19th, hopes the turnaround truly starts at Dover.

Other items of notes at Dover:

Not so fast?

Larson, who won his fifth career pole, isn't quick to blame the Camaro for the Chevy drivers' collective funk.

"I've never been one of the guys that has said we've been behind where we were last year with the new Camaros," he said. "I've felt like our team has done a really good job of taking what we had last year with the SS and then putting everything that we learned through that into the Camaro and been just as fast."

Thumbs up

Daniel Suarez starts a solid seventh as he tries to build on consecutive top-10 finishes. The second-year Joe Gibbs Racing driver broke his left thumb in a race last month at Texas.

"It's not painful at all. It's just not 100 percent comfortable because I can't really grab the wheel how I want," Suarez said.

He'll race with a brace for about two more weeks.

Go Go Logano

Joey Logano topped the speed chart Saturday in the second practice, a strong run following his first win of the season at Talladega. Logano's win qualified him for the playoffs. He failed to make the playoffs last year even with a win — NASCAR essentially stripped him of all benefits that came with his April win at Richmond because of a rear suspension violation.

His win last week in the No. 22 Ford for Roger Penske stood.

"I didn't want to go through that again," Logano said. "There is a little feeling of relief knowing that we are in the playoffs. The goal has changed. When you start the season, it is always to win the championship which you have to take one step at a time."

NASCAR-Monster Energy-AAA 400 Drive for Autism Lineup
By The Associated Press
After Friday qualifying; race Sunday
At Dover International Speedway
Dover, Del.
Lap length: 1 miles
(Car number in parentheses)

1. (42) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 158.103 mph.
2. (4) Kevin Harvick, Ford, 157.494.
3. (78) Martin Truex Jr., Toyota, 157.432.
4. (18) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 157.226.
5. (17) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 157.006.
6. (9) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 156.733.
7. (19) Daniel Suarez, Toyota, 156.542.
8. (2) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 156.447.
9. (41) Kurt Busch, Ford, 156.284.
10. (11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 155.993.
11. (20) Erik Jones, Toyota, 155.898.
12. (14) Clint Bowyer, Ford, 155.703.
13. (10) Aric Almirola, Ford, 155.871.
14. (12) Ryan Blaney, Ford, 155.743.
15. (88) Alex Bowman, Chevrolet, 155.655.
16. (37) Chris Buescher, Chevrolet, 155.514.
17. (24) William Byron, Chevrolet, 155.313.
18. (22) Joey Logano, Ford, 155.300.
19. (48) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 155.219.
20. (21) Paul Menard, Ford, 155.166.
21. (31) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 155.025.
22. (6) Trevor Bayne, Ford, 154.679.
23. (1) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 154.500.
24. (32) Matt DiBenedetto, Ford, 153.224.
25. (95) Kasey Kahne, Chevrolet, 154.467.
26. (43) Darrell Wallace Jr., Chevrolet, 154.209.
27. (3) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 154.110.
28. (47) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 154.011.
29. (34) Michael McDowell, Ford, 153.951.
30. (13) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 153.459.
31. (15) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 153.178.
32. (38) David Ragan, Ford, 152.588.
33. (00) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 152.226.
34. (55) Reed Sorenson, Chevrolet, 149.838.
35. (23) Gray Gaulding, Toyota, 149.701.
36. (99) Derrike Cope, Chevrolet, 144.671.
37. (51) Cody Ware, Chevrolet, 141.498.
38. (72) Corey LaJoie, Chevrolet, 0.000.

DERBY

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"When he got away clean, then I thought we had a chance," Baffert said. "We had to get away. Then Mike took his time."

They set a blistering pace through the muck, going a half-mile in 45.77 seconds.

Entering the final turn, Justify took the lead and kept on going to the finish under Smith's left-handed whip.

Justify, the 5-2 favorite in the field of 20, ran 1¼ miles in 2:04.20. He paid $7.80, $6 and $4.40.

"I was just in awe of the performance," Baffert said. "He just put himself up there with the greats."

Good Magic returned $9.20 and $6.60, while Audible was another head back in third and paid $5.80 to show.

Good Magic was the only horse to have a serious shot at Justify turning for home. Good Magic, under Jose Ortiz, drifted out while Justify and Smith kept a clear and straight inside path.

Justify won his career debut on Feb. 18 at Santa Anita under 23-year-old Drayden Van Dyke. Baffert, sensing he had a special horse, knew he needed a rider who could handle the pressure of the Triple Crown trail and reached out to Smith.

They teamed to win Justify's second race on March 11 in the mud, foretelling his ability to handle what he would face at Churchill Downs on the first Saturday in May.

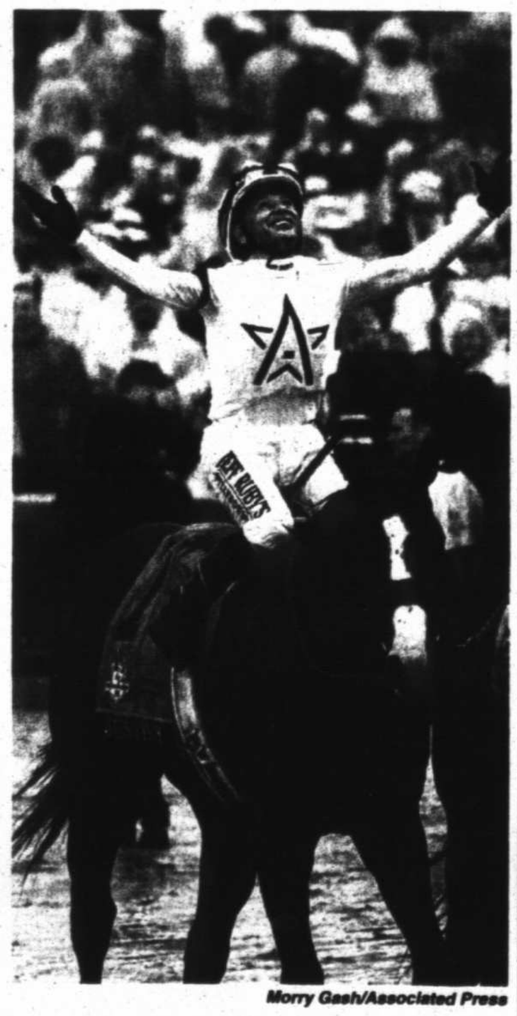
Justify announced his presence nationally last month in the Santa Anita Derby, with a front-running, three-length victory over Bolt d'Oro, who ended up 12th on Saturday.

"He's the most beautiful horse," Baffert said. "He has that presence about him. Every day at Santa Anita everybody says, 'Who is that?'"

The victory was worth $1,432,000 to owners WinStar Farm, China Horse Club, Starlight Racing and Head of Plains Partners. They bought Justify for $500,000.

Instilled Regard, an 85-1 shot, was fourth, followed by 6-1 second choice My Boy Jack, Bravazo and Hofburg. Lone Sailor was eighth, then Vino Rosso, Baffert-trained Solomini, Firenze Fire, Bolt d'Oro, Flameaway, Enticed, Promises Fulfilled, Free Drop Billy, Noble Indy, Combatant and Magnum Moon.

Mendelssohn, trying to become the first Europe-based horse to win the Derby, finished last. The $3 million purchase was beaten by 73¼ lengths for Irish trainer Aidan O'Brien.



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Mike Smith celebrates after riding Justify to victory during the 144th running of the Kentucky Derby horse race at Churchill Downs on Saturday in Louisville, Ky.

Allgaier holds off teammate Sadler to win Xfinity at Dover

Associated Press

DOVER, Del. — Justin Allgaier won a $100,000 bonus by holding off teammate Elliott Sadler in a door-to-door race through the final turn at Dover International Speedway to win the Xfinity Series race on Saturday.

Sadler used lapped traffic to set up his attempt to snatch the lead from Allgaier and played it perfectly as he pulled alongside Allgaier. The two Chevrolets touched and Allgaier wiggled but held on for the victory.

"That race, you couldn't ask for anything better," Allgaier said. "You can never think about these finishes, about how they are going to come. When we were coming to the checkered and we were in the fence, I was thinking how disappointed I would be (if we didn't win)."

He's the 10th different Xfinity Series winner in 10 races this season. Dating to last year, a record 13 different drivers have won.

Allgaier collected the $100,000 bonus from series sponsor Xfinity with the victory. His first win of the season was also his first at the Delaware mile and came during a year in which he'd finished second three times already this season.

Sadler led 33 laps and finished .306 seconds behind his JR Motorsports teammate.

"I have three great teammates and the amount of respect Elliott showed me out there was great," Allgaier said. "Obviously, we got together coming to the checkered, but I expected that. He had to do what he had to do and we did what we had to do.

"This whole team is incredible and to be part of this group is something special. I think we have a great shot at a championship."

Daniel Hemric finished third, Christopher Bell was fourth and Tyler Reddick completed the top five.

NASCAR started the race one hour earlier than scheduled to avoid rain and completed the event without interruption.

NASCAR-XFINITY-OneMain Financial 200 Results
By The Associated Press
Saturday
At Dover International Speedway
Dover, Del.
Lap length: 1 miles
(Start position in parentheses)

1. (6) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 200 laps, 59 points.
2. (4) Elliott Sadler, Chevrolet, 2045.
3. (5) Daniel Hemric, Chevrolet, 200, 46.
4. (34) Christopher Bell, Toyota, 200, 42.
5. (33) Tyler Reddick, Chevrolet, 200, 47.
6. (11) Johnny Sauter, Chevrolet, 200, 0.
7. (2) Noah Gragson, Toyota, 200, 0.
8. (3) Mell Tifft, Chevrolet, 200, 35.
9. (7) Austin Cindric, Ford, 200, 41.
10. (1) Brandon Jones, Toyota, 200, 35.
11. (8) Ryan Truex, Chevrolet, 200, 34.
12. (10) Jeb Burton, Chevrolet, 200, 25.
13. (36) Cole Custer, Ford, 200, 24.
14. (35) John Hunter Nemechek, Chevrolet, 200, 27.
15. (37) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, 200, 23.
16. (18) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 200, 23.
17. (13) Ryan Sieg, Chevrolet, 200, 20.
18. (19) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 200, 19.
19. (12) Ryan Reed, Ford, 200, 18.
20. (21) Joey Gase, Chevrolet, 200, 17.
21. (15) Alex Labbe, Chevrolet, 200, 16.
22. (25) Vinnie Miller, Chevrolet, 200, 15.
23. (28) BJ McLeod, Chevrolet, 199, 14.
24. (14) Dylan Lupton, Ford, 199, 13.
25. (30) Chad Finchum, Chevrolet, 198, 12.
26. (38) David Starr, Chevrolet, 196, 11.
27. (29) Ray Black Jr. Chevrolet, 196, 10.
28. (17) Brandon Brown, Chevrolet, 195, 9.
29. (31) Josh Bilicki, Toyota, 194, 8.
30. (27) Spencer Boyd, Chevrolet, 190, 7.
31. (39) Joe Nemechek, Chevrolet, 188, 0.
32. (23) Garrett Smithley, Chevrolet, suspension, 169, 5.
33. (40) Stephen Leicht, Toyota, vibration, 149, 4.
34. (9) Ty Majeski, Ford, accident, 129, 3.
35. (22) Timmy Hill, Toyota, transmission, 113, 2.
36. (28) JJ Yeley, Chevrolet, vibration, 111, 1.
37. (16) Kaz Grala, Ford, accident, 76, 1.
38. (26) Morgan Shepherd, Chevrolet, transmission, 57, 1.
39. (32) Carl Long, Toyota, brakes, 29, 1.
40. (24) Jeff Green, Chevrolet, vibration, 11, 1.

Race Statistics
Average Speed of Race Winner: 98.053 mph.
Time of Race: 2 hours, 2 minutes, 23 seconds.
Margin of Victory: 0.306 seconds.
Caution Flags: 6 for 45 laps.
Lead Changes: 11 among 7 drivers.
Lap Leaders: B.Jones 1-22; E.Sadler 23-48; T.Majeski 49-52; M.Tifft 53; T.Reddick 54-76; J.Allgaier 77-93; B.Jones 94-104; E.Sadler 105-110; J.Allgaier 111-129; E.Sadler 130; G.Smithley 131-192; J.Allgaier 193-200

Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): J.Allgaier, 3 times for 101 laps; B.Jones, 2 times for 31 laps; E.Sadler, 3 times for 39 laps; T.Reddick, 1 time for 22 laps; T.Majeski, 1 time for 3 laps; G.Smithley, 1 time for 1 lap; M.Tifft, 1 time for 0 laps.

Top 10 in Points: 1. E.Sadler, 401; 2. J.Allgaier, 398; 3. T.Reddick, 369; 4. C.Bell, 348; 5. D.Hemric, 343; 6. C.Custer, 323; 7. B.Jones, 304; 8. R.Truex, 285; 9. M.Tifft, 270; 10. R.Reed, 252.

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Jason Day, of Australia, watches his tee shot on the sixth hole during the third round of the Wells Fargo Championship golf tournament at Quail Hollow Club in Charlotte, N.C., Saturday.

Jason Day seizes control at Quail Hollow

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Jason Day sputtered at the start and finally hit his stride for a 4-under 67 to build a two-shot lead going into the final round of the Wells Fargo Championship and a chance for his second victory this year.

Peter Uihlein, Phil Mickelson and Rory McIlroy all showed early Saturday that it was a softer, gentler Quail Hollow under an overcast sky. Uihlein had a 62, one off the course record, and finished before the leaders began the third round. He remained atop the leaderboard until midday through the round.

Mickelson had a 64, his lowest score of the season. McIlroy had to settle for a 66.

Day blasted a 9-iron out of the left rough with the wind at his back from 195 yards to 18 inches on No. 9 for his first birdie, and he was on his way. He had five birdies over the last 10 holes, and he made a daring par on the 18th. With his bare feet in the stream and the ball on the bank well above his feet, he hit a full shot to the back of the green for a two-putt par.

Day was at 10-under 203.

Nick Watney overcame a double bogey on the par-5 10th hole with four birdies over his last six holes for a 66. He will be in the final group for the first time in nearly four years as he tries to win for the first time since a back injury two years ago.

Tiger Woods failed to take advantage of a course that was 228 yards shorter and soft enough that the players actually found pitch marks on the greens. Woods finally got going on the back nine with three straight birdies, but a three-putt bogey on the final hole gave him a 68. He was nine shots behind.

Peter Malnati's 36-hole lead didn't last long. He had a pair of double bogeys, shot 75 and fell seven shots behind.

PGA Tour rookie Aaron Wise nearly had a collapse late until he salvaged a most unlikely bogey.

Wise, the NCAA champion from Oregon two years ago, pulled his approach left of the 18th green. It bounded over the stream to the other side. With his ball on a sharp downslope a few feet from the rock-framed banks of the stream, he considered a penalty drop that would have taken double bogey out of the picture. Instead, he tried a flop shot and his wedge slid under the ball for a whiff.

He hit the next one across the green to 40 feet, and knocked that in for bogey. Two bogeys over the last three holes gave him a 70.

"That was going to be a devastating hole," he said. "So to turn it into a bogey ... it gives me a shot tomorrow."

Day is in charge, but not in the clear.

He has won four out of five times when he's had the 54-hole lead on the PGA Tour, and it helps that he doesn't have too much experience behind him. Watney hasn't won in nearly six years. Uihlein wound up three shots behind at 7-under 206 and still hasn't won on the PGA Tour. Also three shots back were Bryson DeChambeau (66), Paul Casey (69) and Wise.

Mickelson was among those four shots behind. Rickie Fowler might have been closer than six shots if not for a four-putt double bogey from 20 feet on No. 17. McIlroy, meanwhile, was seven behind.

Day didn't see that Uihlein had shot 62, or any of the other great scores from the early starters. That was probably a good thing.

"I just stayed in my lane," Day said.

He didn't panic when he was 1 over through the tough six holes at the start, or when he failed to birdie either of the next two holes that are the easiest for scoring on the front. Instead, it was a 9-iron from the rough on which he judged the wind at his back and the bounce in fairway to near perfection.

"Today it was a bit of a struggle through eight holes," Day said. "I hit a nice shot into the ninth hole, and a good drive down 10 started getting things in the right direction. I knew things were going to turn around."

Day also took on a bold shot at the 18th with his feet in the water of a stream that winds down the left side, especially with a left pin position. The last time he played Quail Hollow on a Saturday, he tried to play out of the trees and made an 8 that took him out of contention in the PGA Championship.

Day said this shot wasn't that tough, even with his hands gripping down to the steel on a wedge.

"The biggest thing is contact," he said. And it worked out fine, just like the rest of his round.

PGA-Wells Fargo Scores
Saturday
At Quail Hollow Club
Charlotte, N.C.
Purse: $7.7 million
Yardage: 7,554; Par: 71
Third Round

Jason Day	69-67-67—203
Nick Watney	72-67-66—205
Peter Uihlein	72-72-62—206
Bryson DeChambeau	75-65-66—206
Paul Casey	69-68-69—206
Aaron Wise	68-68-70—206
Sam Saunders	70-69-68—207
Charl Schwartzel	70-67-70—207
Johnson Wagner	67-71-69—207
Phil Mickelson	72-72-64—208
Adam Hadwin	73-71-65—209
Talor Gooch	71-72-66—209
Patrick Reed	71-71-67—209
Luke List	70-72-67—209
Rickie Fowler	72-69-68—209
Rory McIlroy	68-76-66—210
Chesson Hadley	70-74-66—210
Francesco Molinari	70-72-68—210
Michael Thompson	68-73-69—210
Cameron Tringale	70-70-70—210
Emiliano Grillo	68-71-71—210
Charles Howell III	71-68-71—210
Kyle Stanley	67-72-71—210
Peter Malnati	67-68-75—210
Graeme McDowell	71-73-67—211
Daniel Berger	73-69-69—211
Jonas Blixt	71-71-69—211
Greg Chalmers	71-70-70—211
Troy Merritt	72-69-70—211
Joel Dahmen	70-71-70—211
Tiger Woods	71-73-68—212
Brandon Harkins	73-71-68—212
Harold Varner III	72-72-68—212
Austin Cook	71-72-69—212
Ted Potter, Jr.	72-71-69—212
Justin Thomas	73-69-70—212
Alex Cejka	70-71-71—212
Tyrrell Hatton	67-73-72—212
Sam Burns	69-70-73—212
Seamus Power	74-71-68—213
Brian Harman	72-73-68—213
Corey Conners	75-69-69—213
J.B. Holmes	71-73-69—213
Beau Hossler	68-76-69—213
Byeong Hun An	73-70-70—213
Ross Fisher	69-73-71—213
Webb Simpson	72-70-71—213
Vaughn Taylor	74-68-71—213
Martin Kaymer	73-67-73—213
Jason Dufner	68-72-73—213
Shawn Stefani	71-69-73—213
Robert Streb	73-72-69—214
Blayne Barber	71-73-70—214
Mackenzie Hughes	71-73-70—214
John Peterson	65-77-72—214
Sean O'Hair	72-70-72—214
Ollie Schniederjans	68-73-73—214
Xinjun Zhang	71-69-74—214
T.J. Vogel	69-75-71—215
Grayson Murray	73-71-71—215
Shane Lowry	74-70-71—215
Brooks Koepka	72-72-71—215
Jonathan Randolph	74-69-72—215
Stewart Cink	71-72-72—215
Rory Sabbatini	71-71-73—215
Bud Cauley	69-76-71—216
Tony Finau	69-76-71—216
Chris Stroud	73-72-71—216
Martin Flores	72-73-71—216
Xander Schauffele	74-71-71—216
Tom Lovelady	68-76-72—216
Patrick Rodgers	71-73-72—216
Jhonattan Vegas	70-74-72—216
Brice Garnett	71-72-73—216
Keith Mitchell	67-74-75—216
Made cut did not finish	
Adam Scott	75-70-72—217
Tom Hoge	73-72-72—217
Hideki Matsuyama	77-68-72—217
Keegan Bradley	68-77-72—217
C.T. Pan	73-70-74—217
Billy Hurley III	71-74-73—218
Tyrone Van Aswegen	72-73-74—219
Andrew Putnam	74-71-74—219
Tyler Duncan	73-72-75—220
J.J. Henry	73-72-75—220
Ryan Blaum	75-70-75—220
Fabián Gómez	71-74-75—220

Park, Shin share LPGA Texas Classic lead after first round

Associated Press

THE COLONY — Sung Hyun Park and Jenny Shin finished the rain-delayed first round of the abbreviated LPGA Texas Classic on Saturday with 6-under 65s to share a one-stroke lead.

After Thursday's play was canceled and Friday's began after an 8 ½-hour rain delay, the tournament was reduced from 72 holes to 36. There will be no cut, but only the top 70 and ties in the 144-woman field will win prize money.

The second round began Saturday afternoon before the first round ended. Park and Shin were scheduled to start their final rounds Sunday afternoon.

Park, last year's U.S. Women's Open champion and the top-ranked player in the field at No. 5, had seven birdies and one bogey at the 6,475-yard Old American Golf Club, which is hosting the event for the first time. She was 6 under when play was halted on Friday and parred her remaining four holes on Saturday.

Shin, also from South Korea, was 4-under through 14 on Friday. On Saturday, she birdied the par-3 seventh and the par-4 ninth. Shin's only career LPGA Tour win was two years ago at this tournament's previous home, Las Colinas Country Club in Irving.

Denmark's Nicole Broch Larsen and Thailand's Moriya Jutanugarn were among those playing their second rounds Saturday and making a run at the lead. Jutanugarn, who won at Los Angeles two weeks ago, shot a first-round 66, sandwiching eight birdies between an opening double bogey and a closing bogey.

After heavy rains and gusty wind Thursday and Friday, Saturday featured bright sunshine and high temperatures in the low 80s.

This will be the LPGA Tour's first 36-hole event since the Bahamas-LPGA Classic in May 2013, which was cut short because of flooding.

LPGA Tour - Texas Classic Scores
Saturday
At Old American GC
The Colony, Texas
Purse: $1.3 million
Yardage: 6,475; Par: 71
First Round

Jenny Shin	34-31—65
Sung Hyun Park	34-31—65
Moriya Jutanugarn	35-31—66
Ólafía Kristinsdóttir	32-34—66
Yu Liu	36-31—67
Sei Young Kim	35-32—67
Jin Young Ko	34-33—67
Jane Park	34-33—67
Sandra Gal	36-31—67
P.K. Kongkraphan	35-32—67
Mo Martin	34-33—67
In Gee Chun	35-32—67
Nicole Broch Larsen	35-32—67
Katie Burnett	34-33—67
Mi Jung Hur	32-35—67
Su Oh	33-35—68
Lindy Duncan	36-32—68
Ariya Jutanugarn	35-33—68
Gaby Lopez	34-34—68
Hee Young Park	37-31—68
Minjee Lee	35-33—68
Morgan Pressel	34-34—68
Daniela Darquea	37-32—69
Alison Walshe	35-34—69
Laetitia Beck	36-33—69
Paula Creamer	35-34—69
Laura Davies	36-33—69
Lydia Ko	35-34—69
Jackie Stoelting	35-34—69
Emily K. Pedersen	34-35—69
Sun Young Yoo	36-33—69
Aditi Ashok	35-34—69
Mariah Stackhouse	36-33—69
Daniela Iacobelli	35-34—69
Pernne Delacour	36-33—69
Jaye Marie Green	35-34—69
Mi Hyang Lee	37-33—70
Ally McDonald	36-34—70
Ayako Uehara	37-33—70
Jacqui Concolino	36-34—70
Amelia Lewis	37-33—70
Celine Boutier	36-34—70
Benyapa Niphatsophon	36-34—70
Kelly Shon	35-35—70
Alena Sharp	34-36—70
Tiffany Joh	37-33—70
Katherine Kirk	37-33—70
Wichanee Meechai	33-37—70
Nontaya Srisawang	36-35—71
Brittany Marchand	36-35—71
Maddie McCrary	36-35—71
Pannarat Thanapolboonyaras	36-35—71
Kim Kaufman	38-33—71
Karrie Webb	38-33—71
Anna Nordqvist	37-34—71
Brittany Lincicome	37-34—71
Cheyenne Woods	38-33—71
Gemma Dryburgh	37-34—71
Katelyn Sepmoree	37-34—71
Luna Sobron	37-34—71
Emily Tubert	36-35—71
Vicky Hurst	37-34—71
Sophia Popov	36-35—71
Camilla Lennarth	38-33—71
Sherman Santiwiwatthanaphong	37-34—71
Anne-Catherine Tanguay	36-35—71
Xiyu Lin	36-35—71
Cristie Kerr	36-35—71
Brooke M. Henderson	36-35—71
Joanna Klatten	37-35—72
Rebecca Artis	35-37—72
Sarah Jane Smith	38-34—72
Brittany Altomare	37-35—72
Jennifer Song	34-38—72
Angela Stanford	36-36—72
Brittany Lang	38-34—72
Lauren Kim	38-34—72
Becky Morgan	37-35—72
Sandra Changkija	35-37—72
Caroline Hedwall	38-34—72
Hannah Green	38-34—72
Caroline Inglis	36-36—72
Thidapa Suwannapura	36-36—72
Ashleigh Buhai	36-36—72
Lauren Coughlin	37-35—72
Dani Holmqvist	36-36—72
Samantha Troyanovich	37-36—73
Jennifer Hahn	36-37—73
Kristy McPherson	38-35—73
Dottie Ardina	37-36—73
Cydney Clanton	38-35—73
Candie Kung	38-35—73
Celine Herbin	39-34—73
Yani Tseng	33-40—73
Megan Khang	38-35—73
Martina Edberg	37-36—73
Annie Park	39-34—73
Madeleine Sheils	39-34—73
Mind Muangkhumsakul	39-35—74
Danah Bordner	37-37—74
Jessy Tang	38-36—74
Juli Inkster	37-37—74
Alexandra Newell	39-35—74
Allison Emrey	40-34—74
Paula Reto	39-35—74
Julieta Granada	38-36—74
Maria Hernandez	38-36—74
Jimin Kang	38-36—74
Giulia Molinaro	37-37—74
In Lee	38-36—74
Peiyun Chien	39-35—74
Wei-Ling Hsu	36-38—74
Stacy Lewis	38-36—74
Mirim Lee	40-34—74
Hannah Arnold	37-37—74
Brianna Do	38-36—74
Brittany Benvenuto	39-35—74
Mina Harigae	37-38—75
Karine Icher	39-36—75
Harang Lee	39-36—75
Don Carter	38-37—75
Chirapat Jao-Javanil	38-37—75
Ilhee Lee	39-36—75
Holly Clyburn	39-36—75
a- Kennedy Pedigo	39-36—75
Cindy LaCrosse	39-36—75
Leticia Ras-Anderica	39-36—75
Christina Kim	36-39—75
Maria Torres	38-37—75
Maude-Aimee Leblanc	39-36—75
Katherine Perry	39-37—76
a-Annika Clark	39-37—76
Kassidy Teare	40-36—76
Lee-Anne Pace	41-36—77
Natalie Gulbis	41-36—77
Kendall Dye	41-36—77
Beth Allen	40-37—77
Nannette Hill	40-37—77
Jing Yan	37-40—77
Lee Lopez	40-38—78
Alison Lee	42-37—79
a- Meagan Winans	39-40—79

Langer hangs onto 1-shot lead at Insperity Invitational

Associated Press

THE WOODLANDS — Bernhard Langer plodded his way to an even-par 72 on Saturday, good enough to maintain the lead at the Insperity Invitational as the leaderboard bunched up behind him.

Langer was at 9-under 135 and had a one-shot lead over three players after he followed up his course-record-tying opening-round 63 by making just two birdies and two bogeys at The Woodlands Country Club. The second bogey was especially painful, following his birdie on the par-5 15th with a missed 2-footer on the par-3 16th.

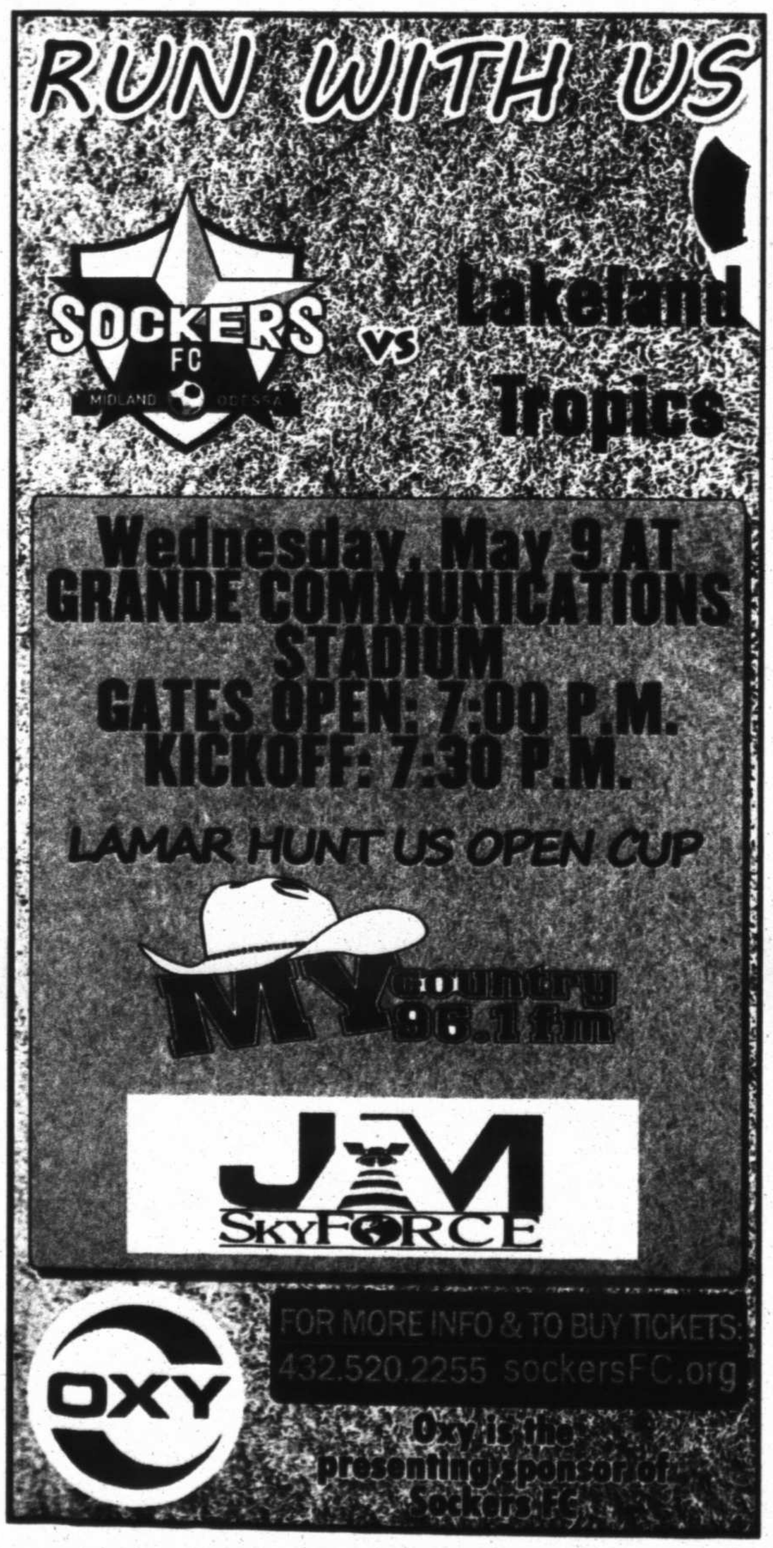
"It was a tough day, Langer said. "The wind was up and the pins were difficult at times. I played really good for the most part, but I just did make as many birdies, and I missed that really short one there ... three-putted from 12 feet or so. That one hurt. I didn't take advantage of the par 5s, either. I just didn't get much going."

The 60-year-old German, a three-time winner of the Houston-area event, is seeking his first victory of 2018 after seven wins last year. A victory would be his fourth after turning 60, the most in PGA Tour Champions history.

Tom Pernice Jr. (68), Miguel Angel Jimenez (69), Mark Calcavecchia (69) and Scott Dunlap (70) were one stroke behind. Jimenez turned in 32 to join Langer at 9 under, but made two bogeys and just one birdie on the back nine.

Bart Bryant (67) and local favorite Jeff Maggert (71), who lives in this sprawling suburb north of Houston, trailed by two.

"It was a struggle," Maggert said. "I felt my ball-striking was actually better today than yesterday. ... Today I was hitting some pretty good shots but just wasn't making the putts. Today was two-putt after two-putt after two-putt. Putting is everything in this game."



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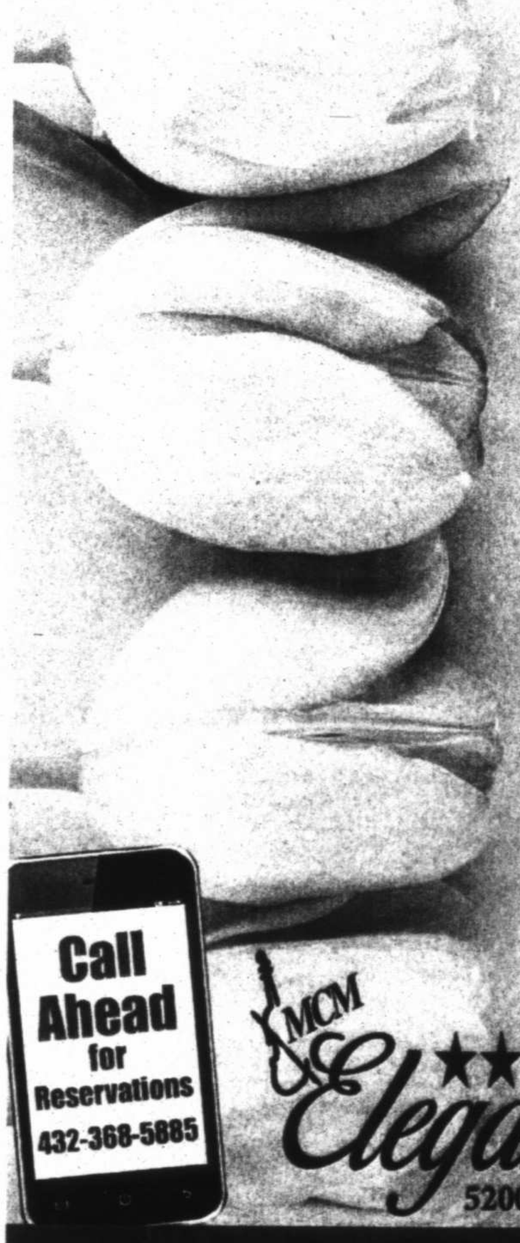

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Westlake ACE Hardware has an immediate opening for an Assistant Manager. Our managers must have leadership and operations experience, but above all they must be able to coach our associates and make them successful. Previous retail manager experience required. High School/GED required. Please send resumes to icastro@westlakehardware.com.

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The City of MIDLAND Texas

NOW HIRING

GIS Manager

Reporting to the Engineering Services Director, this position oversees the development and management of the City of Midland Geographic Information System (GIS). This includes staff supervision, budgeting, training, etc.

BUDGETARY RESPONSIBILITIES:

Manages the GIS Division budget and recommends budget request for new hardware and software as appropriate.

Job Duties:
•Supervises all phases and implementation of the City Enterprise GIS.
-Supervises GIS Division staff.
-Provides planning and direction for GIS growth to serve the City and Public.
-Provides general customer service; responds to concerns and inquiries related to -Division services.
-Negotiates and reviews contracts provided by consultants for GIS services; e.g. - LiDAR, ortho-mosaic imagery, Cityworks, etc.
-Develops policies and standards for the GIS Division.
-Manages the setting of priorities for projects, software, database, and application development.
-Oversees development of GIS applications, web services, and tools to ensure they are current and within industry standards and practices.
-Oversees the GIS Division in managing ArcGIS Server installation, maintenance, upgrades and use.
-Provides recommendations to the Director of Engineering Services regarding annual GIS Division budget, priorities for projects, and resources required to complete them.
•Provides user-training services, as requested.
• Independently prepares and delivers reports and presentations to City Councilmembers, City Management, and outside agency officials. Serves as representative of GIS (or the City) to other departments and outside agencies.
•Other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing, with employees within and outside the department, and with outside agencies; and to respond to questions from Councilmembers, City Management, constituents, vendors, businesses, and other governmental agencies or staff.

Proven ability to plan, organize and manage multiple concurrent projects with minimal supervision. Willingness to work in a team environment and learn new skills to help improve systems and procedures. Ability to supervise and manage other staff with a variety of skills and abilities.

Demonstrated proficiency in the use of Esri ArcGIS software (ArcGISDesktop, ArcGISOnline, ArcGISPro). Solid understanding of database design/management and programming is desirable.

Knowledge of land surveying, municipal governmental operations, acquisitions and procedures is desirable.

Bachelor's degree in GIS, Geography, Computer Science, Engineering, or a related technical or business field required. Minimum of five years' experience using Esri GIS software required. Master's degree in a related field preferred. Valid Texas driver's license required.

Benefits:
- Heath care Plans
- Paid Vacation/ Sick Leave
- Paid Holidays
- Employee Wellness Program
- Tuition Reimbursement

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NOW HIRING

Planning Division Manager

Manages Planning Division office including professional planners, technicians, and secretarial staff. Reviews items for consideration by appointed boards and commissions and elected officials.

BUDGETARY RESPONSIBILITIES:

Prepares and administers the annual division budget. Monitors expenditures during the year and makes recommendations for budget modifications.

Job Duties:
•Reviews staff work including reports, maps and special studies for presentation to Planning Commission and City Council.
•Coordinates, supervises and manages staff time.
•Prepares, administers and monitors annual budget.
•Presents information at public meetings. Participates with other staff members concerning interrelated projects.
•Answers various questions from general public and developers concerning city ordinances, development trends, and population.
•Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees in the work group. Communication with the general public, developers, outside agencies and other departments within the organization is required.

Knowledge of planning and zoning process. Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Skill in writing and interpreting budgets. Ability to write and review reports, memos and other correspondence. Ability to supervise and communicate with employees. Basic comprehension of computer use. Valid Texas Driver License.

Bachelor's degree or equivalent in geography, planning or related field required. Graduate work or advanced degree in planning preferred. Three to five years experience in a related field required, preferably including supervisory experience.

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NOW HIRING

Right-Of-Way Manager

This position manages the acquisition, sale, and licensing of City rights-of-way and other real property; oversees the execution of transactions of real property; and administers the issuance of easements and licenses to outside parties for the use of City-owned right-of-way and property.

Budgetary Responsibilities:

Assist management staff with recommendations and budget data for potential right-of-way and easement acquisitions for public improvements.

Job Duties:
•Develops policies and procedures for standardization of third-party use of City rights-of-way and property.
•Manages the distribution of surface damages for City rights-of-way and other real property owned by the City; including 47,000+/-acres of City-owned parcels.
•Develops and negotiates Surface Use Agreements, Right-of-Way License Agreements, Seismic Agreements, for third-party users of City-owned parcels or rights-of-way, and coordinates with appropriate City Departments or Management.
•Prepares and presents reports to City officials, Council members, and representatives of outside agencies.
•Obtains Appraisals, Title Work, and coordinates Closings on tracts of interest.
•Coordinates and processes public easements for City projects.
•Coordinates departmental actions related to acquisition of real property to ensure compliance with City policies, and legal and regulatory guidelines.
•Coordinates preparation of offers to purchase, leases, deeds, exchange agreements, easements, releases, and related property transaction documents.
•Coordinates with others and utilizes engineering plans and plats to determine accuracy of property legal descriptions and boundaries, title histories, etc.
•Other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Proven ability to plan, organize and manage multiple concurrent projects with minimal supervision. Willingness to work in a team environment and learn new skills to help improve systems and procedures.

Knowledge of land surveying, oil drilling and pipeline operations, and typical petroleum industry practices related to land use and acquisition is desirable. Knowledge of municipal governmental operations, acquisitions and procedures is helpful.

Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing, with employees within and outside the department, and with outside agencies; and to respond to questions from Council members, constituents, vendors, businesses, and other governmental agencies or staff.

Demonstrated proficiency in the use of Esri ArcGIS software is desirable.

Bachelor's degree required. Minimum of five years' experience in real estate, land acquisition, or a similar field. Valid Texas driver's license required.

Benefits:
- Health care Plans
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- Paid Holidays
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- Tuition Reimbursement

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Midland ISD — Educating the Future!

Midland Independent School District is seeking
Full-Time
Registered Nurse (RN)/District Wide

Educational/Certification:
- Registered Professional Nurse with academic preparation at the diploma, associate degree, or baccalaureate level
- Current Texas license issued by the Board of Nurse Examiners
- Current certification in CPR and Basic First Aid
- Texas Department of Health certification in vision, hearing, and spinal screening is requried.

Experience:
Two years of supervised nurse practice preferably in community health, prior to entry into school nursing.

Qualifications:
Experience in community health or pediatric nursing is preferred.
Courses of study which strengthen growth in nursing, education, special education, health education, and other health-related fields is recommended.
Courses of study for child growth and development.

Benefits Include:
- Health Insurance: District pays for 100% for Employee Only - $0 cost to employee - Additional cost to the employee for family.
- Dental & Vision: We offer low monthly premiums.
- Texas Teacher Retirement System: Pay into a retirement pension.
- Voluntary Annuity: In addition to TRS, retirement plans such as 403(b), 457, or Roth Annuity Plans
- Voluntary Benefits: Disability, Accident, Bridge, Heart & Cancer plans and
- Flex Plans for Medical & Childcare

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Midland ISD — Educating the Future!

Midland Independent School District is seeking
Full-Time
Assistant Head Custodian/ Lee High School
Custodian/District Wide

Assistant Head Custodian/ Lee High School: Daily Supervision of all assigned Custodial Staff to assure all Custodians follow routine cleaning and maintenance procedures to maintain a high standard of safety, cleanliness, and efficiency of building operations and grounds
Custodian/District Wide: Follow routine cleaning and maintenance procedures to maintain a high standard of safety, cleanliness, and efficiency of building operations and grounds

Qualification Requirements:
Pass training courses
Ability to read, write and understand verbal instructions in English
Knowledge of basic techniques of minor repairs and building and ground maintenance
Ability to operate cleaning equipment and lift heavy equipment
Properly handle and use cleaning supplies
Ability to lift and carry 15-44 lbs. without assistance

Benefits Include:
- Health Insurance: District pays for 100% for Employee Only - $0 cost to employee - Additional cost to the employee for family.
- Dental & Vision: We offer low monthly premiums.
- Texas Teacher Retirement System: Pay into a retirement pension.
- Voluntary Annuity: In addition to TRS, retirement plans such as 403(b), 457, or Roth Annuity Plans
- Voluntary Benefits: Disability, Accident, Bridge, Heart & Cancer plans and
- Flex Plans for Medical & Childcare

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Gate Attendants needed

Gate Guard Services is looking for Gate Attendants in West Texas area, must have RV or Traveling trailer and must pass background. Requirements needed: Non-Commissioned license. Please call Patty for more information @ 361-949-8992.

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OTHER JOBS

Endeavor Energy Resources LP

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Job Duties:
- Comply with all OSHA and company safety procedures, rules and regulations
- Proper pre and post trip of equipment
- Consistently demonstrate safe unloading of fuels while handling, hooking and unhooking hoses and operating pumps while following directions and standard operating procedures
- Safely using pipe wrenches, crescent wrenches and other hand tools
- Immediate reporting and cleaning of any spills during shift
- Maintain professionalism through working courteously with supervisors, despatchers, fellow co-workers and customers
- All other duties as assigned

Minimum Qualifications:
- Ability to work in a fast-paced environment
- Proven capability to work both independently and collaboratively with different levels of management and individual contributors
- Demonstrated ability to manage work in stressful situations
- High school diploma or GED required, must be at least 18 years of age
- Ability to read, write and communicate effectively required
- Computer proficiency is required
- Valid Texas Driver's License is required
- Experience working on Frac site or similar responsibilities is preferred

Work Environment:
Work is often outdoors. Working conditions range from frigid to hot temps, high winds, flying dust, slipping hazards and conditions and frequently exposed to loud noise from heavy equipment and machinery.

Physical Demands:
Ability to sit, stand, walk, reach with hand and arms, climb, squat, kneel, bend, and occasionally lift /carry/push/pull/move/drag up to 60 lbs.

Position type and expected hours of work:
This is a full-time position.

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960 E 87th St - Odessa
1106 E 42nd St - Odessa
2251 Linda Ave - Odessa
9001 W University Blvd - Odessa

The city of MIDLAND Texas

NOW HIRING

Planner

Performs field and office work related to planning and development programs for utilization of land and physical facilities of the city.

Job Duties:
•Prepares special studies and reports related to code amendments and annexation studies. Assists with comprehensive plan and studies and updates as necessary.
•Prepares statistical reports such as annual population estimates.
•Reviews requests and prepares written reports for zone change and proposed subdivision plat applications and special studies.
•Presents information and recommendations to the Planning and Zoning Commission.
•Reviews miscellaneous applications including temporary land uses, special events, public rights of way, etc.
•Responds to public inquiries concerning development of the city in general as well as specific areas.
•Researches, compiles and analyzes land use and related data.
•Works with the public and developers in answering questions and providing information.
•Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with developers and citizens in order to provide information and guidance on planning and zoning issues. Ability to work in conjunction with employees from different departments.

Knowledge of current planning processes and procedures. Ability to read and understand technical materials, reports and journals. Skill in developing related reports and ability to analyze and present data on land use applications and planning. Ability to effectively communicate, both orally and in writing, to citizens and other government officials.

Bachelor's degree or equivalent in architecture, planning, engineering or economics plus one to three years of experience. Valid Texas Driver's License.

Benefits:
- Health care Plans
- Paid Vacation/ Sick Leave
- Paid Holidays
- Employee Wellness Program
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NOW HIRING

Public Safety Dispatcher

Directs calls for service for emergency purposes and directs non-emergency inquiries.

Job Duties:
•Answers the phone and assists citizens with requests for emergency and non-emergency services for police, fire, sheriff and emergency medical service.
•Directs citizen inquiries and non-emergency calls to the appropriate agency or organization.
•Dispatchers law enforcement and fire and rescue personnel and notifies support and crisis personnel as needed through the use of multi-channel radio system and computer aided dispatch system.
•Requests and disseminates vehicle registration, driver's license, criminal history information through the use of the Texas/National Computer System (TCIC, NCIC).
•Obtains computer information and disseminates to law enforcement officials and investigators. Enters related information into the system.
•Sends and receive teletype information to and from related agencies.
•Maintains records of work performed.
•Performs related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Ability to work with dispatch equipment and communicate with citizens and emergency personnel in highly stressful, possibly emergency situations. Employee communicates with other employees in the work group, citizens and other law enforcement agencies in order to discuss requests for service and possible criminal activities. Will also exchange information or request assistance from other agencies and make referrals when necessary.

Ability to read and understand technical and professional manuals in order to record work activities, keep records or work with computers. Skill in the operation and maintenance of a number of office machines and equipment such as specialized computers and related information systems and two-way radio dispatch equipment. Typing speed of 38 WPM.
Will also be required to take and pass ALL tests.
1.Keyboarding
2.Data Entry MT
3.Data Entry MT (Audio)
4.Call Summarization
5.Memory Recall-Numeric (Audio)
6.Map Reading
7.Spelling
8.Sentence Clarity
9.Reading Comprehension

Employees work rotating shifts and gather, organize, translate and process information from various emergency callers.

DAYS & HOURS:
Rotating Shifts; Rotating Days Off - Valid Texas Driver License.

Benefits:
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NOW HIRING

Recycle Supervisor

Supervises and monitors Citizens Collection Station and recycle drivers in day to day operations and projects. Works as a service attendant at the Citizens Collection Station as needed. Acts as a Solid Waste Supervisor as needed.

BUDGETARY RESPONSIBILITIES:

Provides input as to needed equipment and employment positions. Monitors supplies and equipment at the Citizens Collection Station.

Job Duties:
•Schedules and monitors the work of subordinate employees.
•Instructs employees in the use, care, and preventive maintenance of equipment and machinery.
•Reads schematics, manuals, and other specifications in order to determine and make necessary repairs and maintenance.
•Maintains equipment in good working order and keeps records of work performed.
•Ensures the cleanliness and maintenance of facilities, equipment, tools and grounds.
•Acts as the customer service representative of the Recycle Division at the Citizens Collection Station and on recycle issues.
•Keeps records and reports readily available.
•Coordinates efforts with Solid Waste operations
•Serve as service attendant when necessary.
•Serves as a Solid Waste Supervisor when necessary.
•Performs other related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with employees and to receive work orders or instructions for any project. Interacts frequently with the public, vendors, and government agency representatives.

Ability to read, interpret, and understand local, state, and federal regulations related to disposal of refuse. Knowledge of processes used in the disposal of solid waste. Skill in the use of various equipment and machinery such as hand and electrical power tools and heavy equipment utilized in disposal activities. Ability to train others in safe operation of equipment. Ability to work with cash and adhere to cash-handling policies. Ability to properly evaluate activities and make recommendations for improvement. Good public relation skills as well as verbal and written communications skills.

High school diploma or general education degree required and some college preferred. One to three years of experience in Solid Waste and/or supervising and evaluating the work of others preferred. Must possess a valid Texas Driver's License and possess or acquire a valid Texas Class 'B' Municipal Solid Waste Operator License within two years of hire date.

Benefits:
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Endeavor Energy Resources

DOT Driver II

JOB DESCRIPTION: Job responsibilities include local (within Midland City and County) transportation by truck for Endeavor Energy completions or production crews. Cargo transport varies depending on driver's licensing.

Essential Functions:
- Follow instructions, and maintain compliance with all DOT, company and customer safety and operational policies and procedures
- Properly load and unload product at various customer locations in a professional, courteous, timely, safe, and efficient manner
- Connect and disconnect hoses, operating pumps and valves for loading and unloading
- Complete all paperwork accurately and timely, if applicable
- Complete other related tasks as assigned by manager

Minimum Requirements:
- High school diploma or GED required, must be at least 18 years of age
- Ability to read, write and communicate effectively required
- Computer proficiency is required
- Valid Texas Driver's license is required
- Class A CDL and Haz Mat is preferred but not required
- Must be able to pass background screening including MVR and criminal
- Must be able to work nights, weekends, and an extended workweek.
- Strong customer service skills, and the ability to effectively prioritize, multi-task, manage time, organize and execute tasks in a high-pressure environment

Supervisory Responsibilities:
No supervisory responsibilities are associated with this position.

Work Environment:
Work is often outdoors. Working conditions range from frigid to hot temps, high winds, flying dust, slipping hazards and conditions and frequently exposed to loud noise from heavy equipment and machinery.

Physical Demands:
Ability to sit, stand, walk, reach with hand and arms, climb, squat, kneel, and bend is required. Must also be able to occasionally lift, carry, push, pull, move, and drag up to 50 lbs.

Position type and expected hours of work:
This is a full-time position. The ability to work overtime is a requirement to performing this job.

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Systems Administrator

Performs network and system support functions on segments of the computer environment, including planned and emergency maintenance; performance and security analysis; and monitoring, tuning, and implementing new products and procedures. Analyzes emerging technology and makes recommendations for constant improvements to network and infrastructure services and capabilities.

Job Duties:
- Designs and coordinates segments of the IT architecture
- Manages server applications, including but not limited to social media, Active Directory, operating systems, and email.
- Produces and maintains IT design, architectural, and specifications documentation, as identified.
- Monitors information storage systems, schedules, and tests, including backup and recovery tasks, as identified.
- Provides research, development, and planning of the IT infrastructure.
- Is responsible for the validating, building, and testing IT solutions; analyzing IT infrastructure technical issues; and supporting the design, planning, building, and testing of new IT solutions, as assigned.
- Performs related duties as assigned.
- Subject to recall 24/7

Qualifications:
- Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science plus two years of experience in a related field is required.
- Four years experience may be substituted for the Bachelor's degree requirement.
- Valid Texas Driver's License

Benefits:
- Health care Plans
- Paid Vacation/ Sick Leave
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- Employee Wellness Program
- Tuition Reimbursement

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NOW HIRING
Fleet Technician

Diagnoses, repairs and maintains city trucks and heavy equipment

Job Duties:
- Diagnoses equipment and vehicle malfunctions such as ignition, steering, emission control, electrical, and heating and air conditioning. Estimates costs and rebuilds to specifications.
- Determines the appropriateness of off-site repairs such as oil and filter changes, tires and mufflers.
- Inspects vehicles for state stickers.
- Determines readiness and fitness of new vehicles. Installs special equipment.
- Employee must provide own hand tools. City supplies major equipment including power tools, computerized analyzer, and other diagnostic equipment.
- Reads blue prints, electrical diagrams, manuals and other specifications in order to make repairs.
- Performs emergency repairs for various departments.
- Maintains records of work performed such as work orders, logs, historical information, and special written requests.

Qualifications:
- High School graduate or GED.
- Knowledge of proper tools used in welding and fabrication.
- Three years training as a mechanic or in a related field.
- Valid Texas Class A CDL Driver's License within one year of employment.
- Texas Department of Public Safety Inspector Certificate required within one year of employment.

Benefits:
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NOW HIRING
Code Enforcement Officer

Performs inspections of private and public properties to ensure compliance with municipal ordinances, zoning and land use regulations which govern the maintenance of property, grounds and structures.

Job Duties:
•Visually inspects properties for code violations as initiated by a complaint or routine inspection.
•Enters data into the computer to generate notice of violations to property owners or to record inspections.
•Responds to citizen calls regarding code violations, mail information regarding zoning or city regulations.
•Researches planned districts, nonconforming uses, plats and illegal uses of property for the department.
•Manages city contracts for the clearing of lots, to include bidding projects, preparing contracts, awarding contracts and preparing payments to contractors.
•Conducts inspections to ensure proper environmental compliance in response to complaints.
•Provides information to the public and contractors regarding the requirements of zoning and related code and city requirements.
•Conducts field inspections of junked and abandoned vehicles, abandoned structures and other properties for compliance with city codes.
•Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with developers, citizens and other employees in order to provide information regarding city codes and possible violations.

Ability to read and understand materials including City Ordinances, professional literature,plans, correspondence and manuals. Ability to write reports and correspondence. Skills in math. Skills to communicate both orally and in writing. Knowledge of office equipment including personal computer.

High school diploma or equivalent and a valid Texas driver's license required. Certification through Texas Department Health as a Certified Code Enforcement Officer, or ability to obtain after one year of training. Certification as Property Maintenance and Housing Inspector, or ability to obtain within one year.

Benefits:
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NOW HIRING
Instrumentation & Electrical Technician

Maintains all electrical equipment used to monitor and control oil well services equipment. Home nightly.

Qualifications:
- High school education or equivalent.
- 6 months experience maintaining and repairing electronic instrumentation and automation equipment.
- Valid operator's license with clean driving record.

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- Tuition Reimbursement
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SKILLED LABOR

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NOW HIRING
Customer Service (Field Work)

Performs field work regarding current or past water service.

Job Duties:
•Turns water on for new customers, disconnects water for customers leaving or re-connects service that had been disconnected. Obtains new or current readings due to new service or broken lines.
•Sets meters to establish or re-establish service.
•Pulls meters should instances occur when customer fails to set up service.
•Collects past due utilities bills so that water can be connected.
•Changes our broken meter stop valves and meter box lids.
•Verifies or re-reads meter information when complaints are filed.
•Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with citizens, other departments and employees in order to provide information on current repairs or the reading of meters.

Ability to read work orders and maps in order to find street locations. Skill in math in determining amount of water utilized. Skill in the use of variety of hand tools such as shovels, meter wrenches and meter keys.

Valid Texas Driver's License required. Employee must be bondable.

Benefits:
- Health care Plans
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- Paid Holidays
- Employee Wellness Program
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NOW HIRING
Effluent Distribution Technician

Maintains pivots in good working order and prevents holding ponds from overflowing.

Job Duties:
•Determines which pump units to operate and maintains center pivots in good working order. Repairs and services when necessary.
•Operates gates and lagoon system in order to store water without allowing holding ponds to overflow. Determines where and when to store water.
•Monitors operations in order to apply the proper amount of water.
•Repairs water line leaks and breaks.
•Uses equipment such as loaders and backhoes in order to fill gullies caused by operations.
•Maintains and repairs electrical systems on central pivot units.
•Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with employees in order to receive work orders or instructions for any project.

Ability to read operator's manuals, gauges and work orders in order to maintain or repair meters or parts. Skill in writing to record results.

High school diploma or equivalent required plus six months to one year of experience. C Operator's certification from the TNRCC. Valid Texas Driver's License required.

Benefits:
- Health care Plans
- Paid Vacation/ Sick Leave
- Paid Holidays
- Employee Wellness Program
- Tuition Reimbursement

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NOW HIRING
Electronics Tech - Airport

Performs routine and preventive maintenance of electrical equipment systems. Works under the direction of the Electrician/Electronics Specialist.

Job Duties:

•Performs preventive maintenance on automatic gates, automatic doors, parking lot equipment, lighting, security systems, jetway systems, etc.

•Assists the Electrician/Electronics Specialist in the day to day operations of the Airport facility as needed.

•Performs other related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees in the work group and may respond to questions from the general public regarding services or specific projects.

Ability to read and understand work orders and equipment manuals. Skill in the operation of hand tools and equipment such as electrical measuring meters and devices.

High school diploma or equivalent plus two to three years of experience as an electrician required. Journeyman's License as an electrician required. Valid Texas Driver's License required.

Benefits:
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NOW HIRING

Utility Plant Operator - Water Purification Plant

The primary function of a Water Plant employee is to perform semi- skilled and skilled operations and maintenance duties in our water facility, including monitoring, operating, maintaining and adjusting equipment. Additionally, an employee performs data collection and reporting functions to ensure compliance with Federal and State water quality requirements & Standards.

Job Duties:
- Gathers and computes chemical analysis of water samples. Interprets and logs results.
- Controls water treatment processes to meet regulatory standards.
- Operates and monitors various water plant equipment and machinery.
- Maintains daily and hourly records of plant operations.
- Monitors and controls booster pumps and storage within the City.
- Keeps abreast of professional developments in the field.
- Operates SCADA system to monitor and control well field production.
- Reports maintenance issues that affect plant Operations.
- Assists maintenance personnel as assigned and when needed.
- Performs routine cleaning of work areas.
- Performs related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.

Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Skill in performing mathematical calculations. Ability to use testing and measuring equipment. Must work rotating shifts.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Must receive and retain a valid "C" Surface Water license from the State of Texas within 3 years of employment. Must receive Hazmat Awareness level and SCBA certifications within 1 year of employment. Must remain qualified to wear SCBA. Must posses a valid class "C" Texas driver's license.

Benefits:
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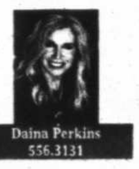

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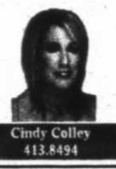

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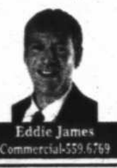

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OPEN HOUSES

5102 Teakwood Trace... OPEN TODAY 1:00-2:00PM

2414 Bobwhite Drive.. OPEN TODAY 1:00-2:00PM

4+ BEDROOMS

5901 N Midland Dr.-Amazing location! Home & barn sit on 14.87 AC (3 tracts)! Can be subdivided- to be sold as 1 pkg. 4 bed/3.5 ba/2 liv/2 din/2 gar home (built 1968)! Updated top-to-bottom! New Roof coming 2/2018! $2,700,000

4800 Island Dr.-Majestic estate on dble lt (1.482 ac) on 9th tee box in GTN! 6 or 7 bed/4 full+2 1/2 baths (in home)/ 3 or 4 living/huge 4 car gar! Dazzling pool w/ pool house w/bath, brick & iron fencing & landscaped grounds w/50+ trees! ..$1,700,000

401 Sir Barton Pkwy.-Stunning custom (by Woodruff)- to be completed 5/18! 6-7 bed/4-5 living/2 dining/5.5 bath+ guesthouse w/ kitchen & bath! Top appliances, all hardwood floors, upstairs game room & plumbed for pool/water well! $1,500,000

3921 Tanforan Ct.-Spectacular estate w/3 or 4 bed/3 or 4 living/4.5 bath/5 car gar on grand cul-de-sac!4 fireplaces & wet bar! Dazzling pool, hot tub, workshop (2), 2 lg patios & x-tra high brick & iron fencing! 2 side yards! $1,100,000

2508 Briarcoks Dr-Absolutely spectacular & better than new 4 bed/3.5 bath/great room+media room+study (off master)/2 dining areas/4 car garage! Gourmet kitchen, soaring ceilings, plantation shutters & up to the minute finishes! Lg lot & play equip stays! $749,900

3911 Timber Wolf Trl.-Fantastic 4 bed/3 bath/3 car oversize garage, indoor and outdoor fireplace & many builder upgrades home on 10 acres in Timber Wolf Estates! (water & septic included) Completion date: March 2018! $675,000

6811 Elkins Rd.-Spectacular Anderson Construction 4 bed/4 bath/3 car oversized garage home w/ builder upgrades on 5 acre lot! Granite, crown molding, walls of windows & outdoor kitchen! Still time to pick landscaping! $625,000

10310 SCR 1210-Fantastic unique property! 1.2 acres w/ runway, hanger, office & living accommodations! 50x76 hanger w/ retractable door! 2-story w/ 5 bedrooms/6 full baths/3 living/3 dining/2 car garage w/ workshop! $589,500

1106 Castle Rock Ct.-Stunning custom Mark Payne (2012) built! 4 bed/3 bath/2 living/2 dining/5 car gar w/ fabulous curb appeal! Gorgeous wood-tile, gourmet kitchen w/granite & stainless appliances, and wood shutters thru-out! Low maintenance backyard- great for entertaining! $549,900

6901 Desert Wind-Spectacular 4 bed/3 bath/2 living (great room+formal)/2 dining/3 garage home on 4.7 acres! Gourmet kitchen, exposed beams, stone fireplace & tile flooring thru-out (carpet in beds)! Lg backyard w/pond & 2 sheds! $515,000

4816 Rustic Trl.-Absolutely unbelievable location on course in Green Tree North! 4 bed/3 baths/2 living (formal+great room)/2 dining/2 garage home on enormous (pool sized) lot (.388 acres) w/iron & brick fencing! Must see! $500,000

3407 Limestone Ln.-Absolutely fabulous 3 or 4 bed/2.5 bath/great room (+study or 4th bed)/2 dining/3 car garage showstopper! Soaring ceilings, walls of windows, & Austin Stone accents! Covered patio & low maintenance backyard w/ turf! ..$499,900

1718 E Scharbauer Dr.-Absolutely fabulous! 5 or 6 bed/4 bath/4 or 5 living (great, game room, media room, work-out room, study)/3 gar home on landscaped double lot! Gourmet kitchen, stainless appliances, custom cabinets & granite! Outdoor kitchen, large backyard w/ extra tall brick fence! ... $485,000

5102 Teakwood Trc.-Fabulous 4 bed/3 bath/2+living (great room, formal+balcony office area)/2 dining/2 gar+circle drive-sweeping golf course views in Green Tree! Pool sized landscaped yard! Fantastic! $475,000

5724 Grassland Blvd.-Fantastic 4 (or 5) bed/3.5 bath/2 or 3 living (great room, formal, study)/2 dining/3 car gar home w/fabulously updated gourmet kitchen w/granite, stainless, gas cooktop & refinished cabinets! Beautiful flagstone extended patio! $465,000

4004 Crestwood-Spectacular find on very quiet cul-de-sac! Huge 4 bed/2.5 Bath/2 dining/2 living(den, game room) w/dazzling pool! Spacious bedrooms, closets & large living areas! High ceilings & wet bar! $324,900

204 Ridglea Dr.-Fabulous charm & character abound in this quaint old Midland home! 4 bed/1.5 bath/2 living/2 dining & fantastic covered porch perfect for entertaining! Delightful neighborhood close to downtown & duck pond! $240,000

1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS

2576 Hwy 2318 (De Leon)-Fantastic 3 bed/3.5 bath/2 living/3 din/4 car gar w/6 carport home on secluded 36 acres! Guest house or barn + 800sqft shop! 3 tanks for fishing, pockets of brush for hunting & plenty of room to graze livestock! $650,000

2414 Bobwhite Dr (Odessa)-Absolutely darling 2 bed/2 bath/large open great room w/2 dining(formal+breakfast) executive style home! Soaring ceilings, recessed lighting & built-ins thru-out! Open patio w/landscaped backyard+storage shed! $240,000

1002 Adams Ave.-Darling 3 bed/2 bath home recently built in 2014- like new! Light & bright kitchen, gorgeous dark like-wood laminate flooring, huge living area, spacious master w/private bath & backyard w/ privacy fence! $159,900

1405 Navajo Drive-Great starter home with lots of space! Sits on .689 acres! Neutral color pallet inside with tile & carpet flooring! Cash & conventional only. *Kitchen appliances not warranted. $150,000

506 Dallas St (Colman)-Quaint 2 bed/2 bath/1 garage home in a fabulous location in Coleman, TX! Cut-de-sac lot home w/ lg living & dining area w/ wonderful kitchen! Large chainlink fenced backyard- perfect for play! $55,000

1015 W Cedar (Coleman)-2 bed/1 full bath and 1 three quarter bath/2 living/2 dining/one car-carport home on large lot in Coleman, TX! Huge back & front yards w/ lots of trees for shade, covered patio & chain-link fenced yard! $30,000

COMMERCIAL, LAND AND LOTS

0000 CR 258, Coleman, TX 76834-95 acres of beautiful country! Native grass, 2 stock ponds & oil production! 14x60 Morgan bldg 1 bed/1 bath/ central HVAC, septic & satellite tv. Storage bldg, worker rig, tools, xtra fencing & mower! $300,000

1414 Tejas-7.9 Acres in 349 ranch estates (just north on big spring across from midland country club). $289,000

400-406 S Lamesa Rd.-Prime commercial land in high traffic area! Perfect for an office building, retail store, gas station, restaurant or theater! 3 additional lots for sale that are not listed- All 6 lots make a block! $240,000

Timber Wolf Estates, North - Brand new subdivison, approx. 2-3 acre lots, plat available. Water/septic/fence can all be added at buyer's expense, Sharyland electric company, Builder specific: Robert Anderson, Minimum size home 2,500 square ft. ..... $70,000 - $130,000

1301 Baze Way, Snyder Tx 79549 - 6 Acres perfect for industrial use located in industrial park southeast snyder! Approximately 1 acre yard fenced with caliche pad. Includes a metal office building 288 sq ft and small storage building! $85,000

Timber Wolf Estates-Fast-growing subdivison-timber wolf estates-city of midland, martin co. Appr 5 acre lots @ $13k/acre, plat available. Water wells/septic system/fence can be added to price but @ buyers expense, Sharyland electric, Can attend midland isd or stanton isd. Min home 2,800 sq ft $80,500

Cutler Estates-Fabulous subdivison conveniently located in gardendale-cutler estates-16 lots (appr .75 Acre) plat available. Roads will be paved by developer. Water well/septic sys/fence can be added to sales price but @ buyers exp. new home 2800 sq ft. buyer has choice of builder plans approved by developer $30,000

UNDER CONTRACTS & SOLDS!

5724 Grassland Blvd ..... UNDER CONTRACT!

5316 Bella Pl ..... UNDER CONTRACT!

2001 Mosswood ..... UNDER CONTRACT!

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5716 Ridgemont ..... UNDER CONTRACT IN 1 DAY!

6200 Haywood ..... UNDER CONTRACT!

2614 Roosvelt ..... UNDER CONTRACT IN 1 DAY!

1804 N Main St ..... UNDER CONTRACT IN 1 DAY!

2400 Castleford Rd ..... SOLD!

7000 Sleepy Hollow ..... SOLD!

6101 Frio Dr ..... SOLD!

5805 Highland Blvd ..... SOLD!

5711 Camino Reale ..... SOLD!

4913 Heritage Oaks ..... SOLD!

13291 ECR 116 ..... SOLD!

2507 Keswick Rd ..... SOLD!

3000 Timber Wolf Trl ..... SOLD!

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3204 Baybridge Ct.
$356,000
3 Bedrooms/2 Baths
Shown by Patti Wallace

FEATURED HOMES

4107 Crestgate Ave. - $399,900

5317 Quicksand Cove - $559,000

3 Lakes Dr. - $845,000

4001 Tumbleweed Tr. - $595,000

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NEW AND REDUCED LISTINGS

4107 Crestgate- 4BR/3.5BA contemporary w/POOL and Spa for great entertaining indoor and out! $399,900

3204 Baybridge Ct.-Impressible 3 Bedrooms/2 Bath with 2 Living areas, on quiet cul-de-sac close to shopping and Loop 250 ..... $356,900

000 Broadway St- Light Industrial facility located on the South service road of Interstate 20 at the intersection of First Street or FM 820, Coahoma, TX. FM 820 connects to the Snyder Hwy on the north side of Coahoma $300,000

3001 Pelotan Ln.-(Bldg. 8 Unit A) LOW MAINTENANCE, quality constructed homes with sky high ceilings, granite, hardwood floors, downstairs master with dual sinks and a HUGE 2 car garage. Yes your truck will fit! In Odessa just off of Billy Hext..... $270,000

3001 Pelotan Ln.-(Bldg. 6 Unit C, Bldg. 8 Unit B) Beautifully designed, quality constructed, brand new townhomes on the East side of Odessa just off of Billy Hext. LOW MAINTENANCE, quality constructed homes. Too many amenities to list – come & take a look!..... Each Unit $235,000

3001 Pelotan Ln.-(Bldg. 6 Unit D, Bldg. 8 Unit C) East side of Odessa just off of Billy Hext. Beautifully designed, quality constructed, brand new townhomes. Too many amenities to list..... Each Unit $210,000

ONE BEDROOMS

501 Scharbauer Dr-Nice large 1BR/1BA townhome. Updated kitchen. New HVAC unit. Complete w/Refrigerator & stove. Several Large closets. small fenced area just steps from assigned carport ..... SOLD...$80,000

TWO BEDROOMS

12 Dalhaus Park - Lovely Oaktown Park condo/patio home. Beautifully maintained and updated home w/spacious rooms, lots of windows, storage, and 4 car garage. Lovely, open patios ..... U/C...$208,000

1907 Barth D Street.- Chic and Monochromatic 2/2 townhome w/office or bonus room. Immaculate and architectural interesting. ..... U/C...$204,000

THREE BEDROOMS

3 Lakes-Charming Charleston Masterpiece designed by Frank Welch w/3BR/3.5 BA, study plus office. Great terraces, and beautiful views of Lake on the banks of Saddle Club Lakes $940,000

221 Windridge Circle-Wonderful custom Patio Home in coveted location. Beautiful condition, perfect kitchen, sequestered master, sparkling pool, 3 LA, 2 offices/hobby room. Grand attached workshop w/skylight conv. $825,000

5217 Goldwood Cove- Another fabulous Glenn Miller home on quiet cul de sac ! As of 12/11/17 house is expected to complete late April to early May . Now is the time to pick granite, paint , tile and carpet $800,000

3005 Seville St - Top quality workmanship! Custom finishes! Beautiful granite selection, chef's kitchen w/great work space & pantry. Extra storage! Plus so much more!..Odessa $300,000

3204 Baybridge Ct.-Impressible 3 Bedrooms/2 Bath with 2 Living areas, on quiet cul-de-sac close to shopping and Loop 250 ..... $356,900

3109 Baybridge Ct.-Check out this garden home w/3BR/2.5BA/2CG w/room for that extra ! -0-4-6 vehicle or 2. The sep master is HUGE!! Spacious waiting area. Open kitchen plan to living, eating bar, high ceilings, fireplace on patio. Must see!! U/C...$300,000

5110 Green Tree Blvd-Spacious 3BR/3BA/2LA home w/formal dining, sequestered master in-law plan, bonus spa room, walk-in closets plus pantry make for ample storage in this spacious Green Tree Country Club home. A Must See!! $275,000

3001 Pelotan Ln.-(Bldg. 8 Unit A) LOW MAINTENANCE, quality constructed homes with sky high ceilings, granite, hardwood floors, downstairs master with dual sinks and a HUGE 2 car garage. Yes your truck will fit! In Odessa just off of Billy Hext..... $270,000

7000 Pittsfield Reach Rd- Better than New! Gently lived in w/numerous upgrades including synthetic grass in backyard, extra patio area $269,900

3001 Pelotan Ln.-(Bldg. 6 Unit C, Bldg. 8 Unit B) Beautifully designed, quality constructed, brand new townhomes on the East side of Odessa just off of Billy Hext. LOW MAINTENANCE, quality constructed homes. Too many amenities to list – come & take a look!..... Each Unit $235,000

3001 Pelotan Ln.-(Bldg. 5 Unit B and Bldg. 9 Unit B) - Quality constructed, brand new Townhomes on the East side of Odessa. LOW MAINTENANCE, with sky high ceilings, granite, hardwood floors, downstairs master with dual sinks and a HUGE 2 car garage. Too many amenities to list - come and take a look! ..... Each Unit $235,000

3001 Pelotan Ln- Beautifully designed, quality constructed, brand new Townhomes on the East side of Odessa just off of Billy Hext. LOW MAINTENANCE!!...(Bldg 4- Unit B and Unit C for ..... Each Unit $231,500

3001 Pelotan Ln.-(Bldg. 6 Unit D, Bldg. 8 Unit C) East side of Odessa just off of Billy Hext. Beautifully designed, quality constructed, brand new townhomes. Too many amenities to list..... Each Unit $210,000

3001 Pelotan Ln- (Bldg. 5, Unit A and C and Bldg. 9 Unit A)--Under Construction completion date est.9/2018. Superior quality, high-end amenities; BEAUTIFUL Townhomes on the far East side of Odessa off of Billy Hext. ..... Each Unit $210,000

THREE BEDROOMS

3001 Pelotan Ln-Brand new Townhomes on the East side of Odessa just off of Billy Hext., LOW MAINTENANCE, quality constructed homes!.. Bldg 4- Unit A and Unit D for ..... Each Unit $199,900

2100 W Wadley Ave-#39-Spacious condo w/3 large bedrooms Small gated back patio and open front patio/yard within walking distance of the pool. So many updates throughout ..... U/C...$100,000

FOUR BEDROOMS

6033 Island Circle-Amazing property on the golf course in Green Tree North. Smart house w/Crestron system, All AV equipment including TVs remain. Pool w/spa. Outdoor kitchen, Outdoor living w/heaters and screens. Golf simulator addition. Much of the furniture and furnishings available!! $2,500,000

6024 Island Circle - Beautiful w/many waterfront views, fabulous Great Room, Sun room with telescoping glass walls that open to patio, Beautiful infinity pool! hardwoods, granite! You'll love it!! ..... U/C...$999,000

705 Augusta Dr- Fabulous 4 BR/4.5BA home on double lot w/pool! Beautifully updated w/today's style in mind! Hardwoods, granite, quartz, slate tile, high ceilings, each bedroom has its own bath, 3 car garage, open floor plan, home office, large utility, great patio, too!! You'll love this one!! Move in condition! ..... U/C...$949,000

5301 Ridgefield Ct- Beautiful, updated, 4 bdr plus bonus room home in GTCC North. Recent updates are hardwood floors, granite counters, bathrooms, carpet, kitchen appliances, pool (2014), fence, paint, HVAC system, Don't miss it! U/C...$922,000

1102 Castle Rock Ct.-Fabulous 4BR/3BA Mark Payne made, Wrexenford open floor plan! 2 dining areas, game room, large utility room, 3 car garage. Just a few steps away from the walking trail area in Westland Park. Simply terrific!!....SOLD...$622,000

5705 Fenway Dr.-Lovely custom in coveted Cambridge Estates- one-4h BR or 2nd LA plus flex plus sunroom, high ceilings, granite & stainless kitchen w/full wrap around bar + bridal & formal! 4 car garage, Best staircase in Texas close! Move in ready! $915,000

4001 Tumbleweed Tr.- Spacious 4BR/4BA home w/3LA on 2.059 acres w/city water and water well for yards. 40x60 workshop, newer 20x40 2 car garage and man-cave is located close to the above ground pool, A Must See!! $995,000

10302 County Rd 155-Perfect Downsized property, close to school nestled in quiet cul-de-sac. Large back yard has tall cedar block fence & exterior fencing for animals. Huge 40x80 DREAM SHOP with 2-16' overhead doors, awning & CAR LIFT. Extra long concrete drive & Parking Pad. Call today!! ..... SOLD...$400,000

4017 Richmond Dr.-Spacious and charming 4 Bedroom in desirable Polo Park. Large yard, great plan, open kitchen, quiet street, family friendly, close to club house ..... SOLD...$425,000

4107 Crestgate- 4BR/3.5BA contemporary w/POOL and Spa for great entertaining indoor and out! $399,900

900 6th St - Beautifully maintained 4BR/2BA home in Stanton on one of the prettiest tree shaded streets!! Large living open to kitchen/dining area. Covered back patio w/big yard $299,000

FIVE OR MORE BEDROOMS

2005 Bluebell Ave- Beautiful 5 Bedroom/5.5 Bath home in Warwick, with Guesthouse and Gorgeous POOL! $1,075,000

2000 Glenwood- 5BR/4.5BA/2LA. Fabulous park like yard, outdoor fireplace and pergola w/grill $900,000

15 Lakes Dr- Custom built home in lovely Saddle Club Estates w/beautiful views of the lake and trees, tall ceilings, spacious rooms, great storage,the list goes on. Wow! ..... U/C...$790,000

2014 Baybrook Ct.- Beautiful 5BR/3LA/3.5BA. Flagstone around breathtaking Pool plus Outdoor kitchen! $795,000

4500 Bent Tree Trail- Gorgeous 5BR/4.5BA home! Private oasis in the back yard w/sparkling pool, spa, outdoor fireplace, fountain and Outdoor cooking area! Home has hardwood floors! Open kitchen, den, breakfast area, media/game room,3 car garage. Beautiful! $799,000

FOR LEASE

1201 Florida, Midland- 2,000 sq. ft.; 1,000 sq. ft. each unit, recently updated carpet, paint, fixtures, Ready for lease ..... per unit monthly $2,000

1301 Garden City Hwy- Two spaces available, both are 1800 sq ft., perfect for retail or office use. Recently remodeled w/fresh paint and carpet. Each space (1) RR Traffic high traffic location on Garden City Hwy in SE Midland. Convenient to downtown, Ryatte Hwy and Interstate 20 and many restaurant and retail businesses ..... $2,300 each monthly...Call Bill Scott or Brandee Hall 682-1111

1400 Cornell St.-4,000 sq. ft. industrial/office w/2 restrooms, paved and fenced yard. Perfect for light duty manufacturing, warehouse or storage ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Hall 682-1111

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E Loop 250 B - 5 acre tract off loop 250 near CR 1150 ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Hall 682-1111

I-20, West Murphy & Loop 338 in West Odessa-1116.26 acres, terrific frontage. Call Bill Scott or Brandee Hall 682-1111 ..... $2,000,000

0101 S Hwy 349- Once in a lifetime opportunity for building a dream home or 2 on this 1.59 ac tract of land @ Midland Country Club. $200,000

5703 E. Co. Rd. 89-2784 sq. ft. w/in-law plan. $399,900

1000 E Taylor Ave, Midland - 3.440 acres of vacant land zoned commercial $199,000

2701 E. County Rd. 1118-Prime location 1.336 acres, to build a home that could face either South County Road 1118 or East County Road 95 ..... $67,900

COMMERCIAL INVESTMENT PROPERTY

1207 S Garfield St - One story office w/2 story 2 bay shop/warehouse, 5,712 sq ft..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Hall 682-1111

3212 Kermit Hwy, Odessa-Tu-Two metal buildings approx 10,340 sq ft on 1.836 acres. Call Bill Scott or Brandee Hall 682-1111

604 Hwy 163 S- Industrial warehouse of 4,500 sq ft on 4.18 acres (for lease)..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Hall 682-1111

3000 S. Co. Rd. 1208, Midland, Tx.-Includes 5 buildings on 9.852 acres.
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2000 W Louisiana Ave-Location...Location...Location this 45 room facility originally built in 1954 when additions since. .... U/C...$2,000,000

10001 W CR 72, Midland- 5.020 acres; 4,207 s.q. ft. office built in 2015. 2 modular buildings to house overnight drivers: Perfect truck yard. $750,000

11525 W Hwy 158, Garden City-20 acres of Ranch/Pasture land w/ 2,280 sq. ft. home: 4 bed, 3 bath, whole house generator..... $400,000

500 Baird St- Great office warehouse, Office 1200 sq ft, Warehouse 4000 sq ft. Great location just south of downtown close to county jail. Zoned C3 ..... $300,000

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Electrical/Electronics Tech - WPP

Troubleshoots and maintains electrical, SCADA and control equipment for the well field, Purification Plant, Water Pollution Control Plant, water storage towers, booster station.

BUDGETARY RESPONSIBILITIES:

Assists in the development of the budget and makes recommendations for purchases and capital items to the appropriate division during the annual budget process.

Job Duties:
•Troubleshoots and repairs electrical service to any facility within the Utilities Department.
•Troubleshoots and repairs control circuits at any facility within the Utilities Department.
•Troubleshoots and repairs SCADA equipment at any facility within the Utilities Department.
•Programs SCADA and control circuits at any facility within the Utilities Department.
•Instructs users of SCADA and control circuits at any facility within the Utilities Department.
•Calculates electrical loads for equipment and installs wiring.
•Determines equipment and supplies required for jobs by reading code books and blue prints.
•Keeps abreast of changes in the Electrical Code and Regulations and makes recommendations on their impacts to the City.
•Maintains inventory of supplies used and replaces as needed.
•Perform Operations & Maintenance duties as assigned.
•Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.

Ability to read operator's manuals, blue prints and schematics in order to maintain electrical, SCADA and control equipment throughout the Utilities Department in good working order. Skill in the operation of electrical and mechanical hand and power tools. Employee must perform mathematical calculations in order to determine electrical needs. Skill in writing to record results and track work. Will be on-call.

High school diploma or equivalent required plus two years of experience. A valid Apprentice Electricians license from the State of Texas or have successfully completed 12 college hours of electronics coursework would be preferred. Valid Texas driver's license required. Must also obtain a valid state of Texas class 'C' or above water works license.

Benefits:
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Engineering Tech - Construction Inspector

Perform responsible work in support of city engineering staff. Work relates to engineering construction activities such as construction inspection of municipal projects involving construction of asphalt or concrete pavement, sidewalks, ramps, water lines and sewer lines.

Job Duties:
•Inspect forms, materials and workmanship for compliance with plans and specifications. Tests materials and workmanship as required.
•Maintain daily diary and records on projects including emergency telephone numbers for key people.
•Maintain inspection project files for all phases of construction for each project. Provides information to update record drawings.
•Inspect traffic control devices for compliance with plans and the Texas Manual on Uniform Control Devices. Make safety inspections to note deficiencies for correction.
•Analyze field construction problems and assists engineers with recommending corrections.
•Performs survey work as requested by Engineering staff.
•Coordinate with traffic, utility companies, landowners, etc. before and during construction.
•Acts as project field coordinator for contractors, utility companies and city departments.
•Researches utility locations and right of way, assemble plat and deed information and produces plan views.
•As appropriate, trains and evaluates the progress of other employees.
•Performs related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Must be able use and communicate by hand-held radio. Basic skill in the use of a variety of machines, including personal computers, printers, calculators, scanners and large document copier are preferred.

Must have a valid Texas Driver's License and a good driving record. Employee must be able to effectively communicate with other employees in the work group. Must be able to correctly respond to questions from contractors, surveyors, inspectors, or city staff regarding work performed or applicable specifications related to a design or construction project.

Must coordinate effectively with other city departments, contractors, and utility companies when designing or scheduling work. Must posses skill to observe, read, and interpret written technical materials and construction drawings. Ability to use testing and measuring equipment.

Must have obtained a High school diploma or equivalent GED plus 5 years of experience in civil construction trades. College degree or construction certifications preferred. Extensive knowledge of state, federal, and local laws and requirements regarding construction, surveying and safety standards.

Extensive skill in observing, reading and interpreting written technical materials and construction drawings. Extensive knowledge of city codes and ordinances and other state and federal requirements regarding utility construction and safety standards.

Extensive knowledge of engineering standards and construction practices for water, sewer, street and drainage design. Intermediate in drafting with computer aided design systems such as AutoCAD. Intermediate skill in developing field notes and survey plats for boundary surveys.

Benefits:
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Equipment Operator - Landfill

Disposes for refuse through the use of heavy equipment at the Landfill.

Job Duties:
•Disposes of refuse with the use of heavy equipment such as compactors, scrapers, bulldozers and related equipment.
•Maintains access roads to the Landfill.
•Covers refuse at the end of each day.
•Maintains all equipment in good working order and keeps records of service problems. Submits daily maintenance sheets to supervisor.
•Performs preventive maintenance on equipment such as oil changes. Determines when servicing of vehicles is requir d.
•Monitors vehicles as they enter, unload and leave the Landfill. Gives directions to citizens.
•Performs related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with employees in order to receive work orders or instructions for any project.

Ability to read, interpret and understand local, state and federal regulations related to disposal. Knowledge of the processes used in collection and disposal of waste materials. Ability to follow instructions and manuals for equipment repair and maintenance. Skill in the use of various equipment and machinery such as hand and electrical power tools and heavy equipment utilized in disposal activities such as compactors, lifts, claws and hydraulic systems as well as simple shovels, brooms and rakes. Ability to read operator's manuals and work orders.

High school diploma or equivalent, plus one to three years of equipment operation preferred. Valid Texas driver's license required.

Benefits:
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Equipment Operator - Water and Wastewater

Performs manual and unskilled labor of more than ordinary difficulty, which often involves the use of acquired skills and operates several types of light vehicles and equipment. Does related work and training as required.

Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with employees in order to receive work orders or instructions for any project.

Ability to read, interpret and understand local, state and federal regulations related to water and sewer system maintenance. Knowledge of the processes used in utility maintenance. Ability to follow instructions and manuals for equipment repair and maintenance. Skill in the use of various equipment and machinery such as hand and electrical power tools. Skill in the use of heavy equipment utilized in maintenance activities such as backhoes, ditch witch, and jet truck. Ability to read operator's manuals and work orders.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Valid Texas CDL Class A driver's license required or must be obtained within 6 months of employment. Must possess or be able to obtain Wastewater Certification Class I and Water Distribution D Certificate with in a reasonable length of time.

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Lab Technician

The employee is responsible for performing, monitoring, and intrepreting the results of tests necessary for the operation and regulatory compliance of the water and wastewater operations of the City of Midland. They are also responsible for the interpretation and implementation of regulations promulgated by State and Federal authorities.

Assists in the development of the budget for laboratory operations and makes recommendations for purchases and capital items during the annual budget process.

Monitors expenditures during the year.

Job Duties:
•Responsible for the daily operation of laboratories in support of the Utilities Department. Conduct bacteriological, chemical, physical and instrumental analysis of water and wastewater samples submitted to the laboratory.
•Maintains equipment and supplies for the laboratory as well as for the City's facilities. This includes accurately maintaining extensive records tracking all chemicals, supplies, and equipment used for daily operations.
•Collects, analyzes, and interprets results of environmental, water and wastewater samples.
•Prepares reagents for use at the laboratory and performs standardization of reagents to ensure quality.
•Must maintain work area, supplies, and equipment in an orderly, safe, and clean manner.
•Maintains accurate and extensive analytical data records of data for future use.
•Investigates and reports on complaints and all other problems delegated by the Director of Utilities.
•Make monthly reports or as required to the Water Regulator Agencies and Utilities.
•Keeps abreast of professional developments in the field.
•Keeps apprised of State/Federal regulations and makes recommendations on their impacts to the City.
•Performs related duties as required. Available for on-call obligations and work on weekends as needed.

Qualifications:
Employee has contact with general public, other employees, and other organizations.

Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Must have skill in writing to record results of analysis. Employee generates memos and reports of work performed. Ability to perform chemical analysis. Must have thorough knowledge of chemistry and good knowledge of water and wastewater treatment. Must possess knowledge of computer software and applications. Working in experience lab preferred.

Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry, Biology or related field is preferred. Must be able to obtain Class D water operator license in the State of Texas within a year after hired and be able to maintain the license while employed.

Benefits:
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Lead Water Purification Plant Operator

This position requires a demonstrated ability to perform advanced functions related to the operator and maintenance of equipment at all water treatment facilities. This position functions as a Lead Operator and also as Chief Plant operator when required, performing complex analysis of the Water Treatment Plant operations and having direct charge of the operation of a water treatment facility or Water Production Facilities. Positions at this level provide instruction and assistance to lower level Water Treatment Plant Operators. This position is normally filled by advancement from the Water Treatment Operator II. Position requires three to five years of experience in a Surface Water Treatment Plant Operator and must possess a minimum of a 'Class 'C' Surface Water Treatment Plant Operator Certificate issued by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality at the time of accepting position.

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Maintenance Specialist - Animal Services

Maintains the animal shelter and grounds, provides quality care for the animals in our custody and assists the public and other animal control personnel.

Job Duties:
•Processes animals that are brought to the animal shelter by providing health evaluations, parasitic controls, scanning for microchips and placing in the proper holding are.
•Maintains the sanitation and environment of kennel areas, cat facilities, quarantine areas, wildlife facilities and sick/injured animal room.
•Assists in euthanasia and the disposal of animals as required.
•Maintains and operates the animal cremation system for mass disposal and private cremations.
•Picks up large quantities of dead animals from veterinarians for disposal by cremation.
•Micro-chips animals that leave animal controls custody.
•Unloads dead and live animals from the public, veterinarians and animal control offices.
•Performs preventative maintenance on equipment, building and grounds.
•Provides assistance to visitors.
•Operates a vehicle to pick up dead livestock and supplies and other machinery.
•Performs other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees in the work group and may respond to questions from the general public regarding services or animals that may be in the kennel. Employee may have direct contact with other animal control personnel such as the SPCA, various humane societies and animal rescue organizations.

Ability to deal with the public and provide humane care for the animals. Some knowledge in the recognition of animal diseases is needed. Ability to follow both written and oral instructions is also necessary.

High school diploma or equivalent preferred. Valid Texas driver's license required. Must be able to obtain Department of State Health Services Basic Certification within one year of employement. Must be able to obtain euthanasia certification within six months of employement.

Benefits:
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NOW HIRING

Maintenance Specialist - Parks - Sports Complex

Performs all routine maintenance work for the parks division at the sports complex, including special events.

Job Duties:
•Performs routine buildings and grounds maintenance.
•Removes trash from containers.
•Inspects grounds and athletic areas and facilities for repairs.
•Operates and maintains equipment used in daily operations. Fills out reports and submits to supervision.
•Helps set up for special events and sports tournaments.
•Works weekends and evenings as required.
•Performs other related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees in the work group and may respond to questions from the general public regarding services or specific projects.

Ability to read and understand work orders and equipment manuals. Skill in troubleshooting air conditioning and plumbing. Ability to operate hand tools and equipment such as mowers, gas powered trimmers, saws and other gardening and maintenance tools.

High school diploma or equivalent preferred. Valid Texas Driver's License, CDL preferred.

Benefits:
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Transportation Truck Driver

Responsible for driving Water, Dump, and/or Belly Dump Truck and hauling water/caliche to drill rigs, fracturing crews, etc. Hauls water/caliche from well locations to proper disposal facilities.

Qualifications:
- High school education or equivalent.
- Experience can range from commercial truck driving experience preferred to one year as a water truck driver required.
- Valid Class A CDL with Tanker endorsement.
- Clean driving record.
- Salary competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

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Plant Maintenance Mechanic - Water Purification Plant

Performs skilled & Semi-skilled maintenance duties as they relate to equipment repair and upkeep. Perform manufactures recommended preventative maintenance to equipment at the Water Purification Plant.

Job Duties:
•Repairs equipment including pumps, chemical feeders, valves and specialized equipment.
•Performs preventative maintenance on plant equipment according to manufacturer's recommendations.
•Performs annual maintenance at plants including but not limited to cleaning and painting of water treatment basins and painting of equipment.
•Performs electrical repairs including wiring of electric motors, switches, and panels.
•Troubleshoots electrical problems including checking and repairing control circuits.
•Serves as a shift relief as needed, assuming full authority, duties and responsibilities of position that is being filled.
•Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.

Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Knowledge of plant operations and maintenance. Skill in performing mathematical calculations. Ability to use testing and measuring equipment. Skill in the use of hand tools, test equipment, and welding tools. May work rotating shifts.

High school diploma or equivalent required. One to three years experience in a related field preferred. Must receive and retain a valid 'C' Water license within 3 years of employment. Must receive Hazmat Awareness level and SCBA certifications within 1 year of employment. Must remain qualified to wear SCBA. Must posses a valid Texas Class 'B' CDL or have the ability to obtain license within a reasonable amount of time.

Benefits:
- Heath care Plans
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- Tuition Reimbursement

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Well Field Technician - Paul Davis

Has primary responsibility for operation and maintenance of well fields, Water Purification and associated potable water storage.

Job Duties:
•Assists other Utility Department Divisions as required.
•Performs Operations & maintenance duties as required at WPP.
•Controls water disinfection processes to meet regulatory standards.
•Operates and maintains various water production and storage equipment.
•Maintains required records of operations, generates monthly report and maintenance records.
•Monitors and controls booster pumps and storage.
•Keeps abreast of professional developments in the field.
•Operates SCADA system to monitor and control well field production.
•Performs routine cleaning of assigned area. Maintains grounds at well field compounds.
•Performs other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.

RELOCATION MANDATORY

Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Knowledge of pumps, motors and tower operations and maintenance. Knowledge of electricity and electronics. Skill in performing mathematical calculations. Ability to use testing and measuring equipment. On call 50% evenings and weekends.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Must receive and retain a valid "C" Groundwater license from the State of Texas within 3 years of employment. Must receive Hazmat Awareness level and SCBA certifications within 1 year of employment. Must remain qualified to wear SCBA. Must posses a valid Texas Class "B" CDL required or have the ability to obtain license within a reasonable amount of time.

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Service Center Technician

Performs tire installation and repair and general maintenance on vehicles and machinery.

Job Duties:
•Repair flat tires. Removes and installs wheels and tires from vehicles and equipment.
•Responds to requests for towing and service calls.
•Performs electrical jump starts on vehicles and equipment.
•Performs diagnostic checks on batteries and alternators. Changes out as necessary.
•Balance tires.
•Performs engine oil and filter changes. Changes transmission oils and filters.
•Cleans and maintains shop facilities, equipment, tools and grounds.
•Orders and issues parts.
•Opens work orders, charges out parts and closes work orders as required.
•Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with employees, management and vendors in order to diagnose repairs and order materials for repair.

Knowledge of proper tools used in general automotive repairs. Ability to safely use tools, vehicles and equipment such as wreckers, tire hammers and breakdown bars, tire and wheel balancers, tire machines, jacks, air impact wrenches, fork lifts and assorted hand tools. Skill in the reading and practical application of manuals, schematics and other similar specifications used by city departments. Ability to

read, measure and calculate types and sizes of materials needed and ability to reason amount of time that will be used in the actual repair process. Ability to speak, understand and follow instructions in English.

High school diploma or equivalent plus one year of general service station experience is required. Experience in fueling vehicles, changing oil and oil filters, and changing or repairing auto and large equipment tires is also required. Employee must have dependable transportation and a telephone at their residence. A valid Texas license required, CDL preferred. Must have a State of Texas Inspection License or ability to obtain within 90 days.

DAYS & HOURS:
Monday - Friday; 2:00 pm to 11:00 pm

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Well Field Technician - Airport Well Field

Has primary responsibility for operation and maintenance of well fields, Water Purification Plant and associated potable water storage.

Job Duties:
•Assists other Utility Department divisions as required.
•Performs operations and maintenance duties as required at WPP.
•Controls water disinfection processes to meet regulatory standards.
•Operates and maintains various water production and storage equipment.
•Maintains required records of operations.
•Generates monthly reports and maintenance records.
•Monitors and controls booster pumps and storage.
•Keeps abreast of professional developments in the field.
•Operates SCADA system to monitor and control well field production.
•Performs routine cleaning of assigned area.
•Maintains house and grounds at well field compounds.
•Performs other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.

Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Knowledge of pumps, motors and tower operations and maintenance. Knowledge of electricity and electronics. Skill in performing mathematical calculations. Ability to use testing and measuring equipment. On call 50% of evenings and weekends.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Must receive and retain a valid "C" Groundwater license from the state of Texas within 3 years of employment. Must receive Hazmat Awareness level and SCBA certifications within 1 year of employment. Must remain qualified to wear SCBA. Valid Texas class "B" CDL required or must be obtained within 1 year of employment.

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NOW HIRING

Utility Plant Operator - WPCP

Assists in the operation of the waste water treatment plant.

Job Duties:
•Collects water samples for testing and analysis in primary treatment area.
•Operates and maintains primary treatment equipment and observes the operation of related plant equipment.
•Reads gauges, records information and reports problems to the Operator, or other supervisors.
•Performs janitorial and grounds keeping duties in assigned areas.
•Performs related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with employees and supervisors on plant condition and in order to receive work orders or instructions for any project.

Ability to read operator's manuals, gauges and work orders to collect samples for analysis. Skill in writing to record results. Shift work required.

High school diploma or equivalent required plus ability to obtain C operator's certification from the TNRCC within established time constraints. Valid Texas Driver's License.

DAYS & HOURS:
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Equipment Operator - Traffic Operations

Perform manual and unskilled labor on traffic signs and markings, which often involves the use of acquired skills. Operate several types of light and heavy vehicles, equipment, and tools. Do related work and training as required.

Job Duties:
•Assist in loading and unloading transported equipment.
•Operate equipment used in the daily activities of the Traffic Operations division such as paint machines, sign installation equipment, welders and other heavy equipment.
•Perform maintenance, service minor repairs on vehicles and equipment.
•Install and maintain roadway signs, markings and all other traffic devices.
•Assist in maintaining inventory of supplies and equipment.
•Maintain records of work performed, schedules, status reports and work orders.
•Perform related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Employee must be able to communicate effectively with employees, management and citizens in order to effectively receive and complete assigned work.

Ability to read, interpret and understand local, state and federal regulations related to traffic control devices and operations. Knowledge of the processes used in traffic control maintenance. Employee must be able to follow instructions for equipment repair and maintenance. Skill in use of various equipment and machinery such as hand and electrical power tools is required. Employee must be able to use heavy equipment required in maintenance activities such as backhoes, ditch witch, and striping truck. Ability to read operator's manuals and work orders is also required.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Valid Texas Class 'A or B' CDL required, or must obtained within 6 months of employment.

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Equipment Operator - Transportation

Under Supervision, performs unskilled, semi-skilled and skilled duties in the maintenance and repair of the City's street infrastructure. Performs a variety of tasks including general labor and the operation of light and heavy equipment used in the repair of streets, alleys, and drainage ways.

Job Duties:
•Performs routine maintenance and repair of City streets and alleys through the operation of light and heavy equipment including walk-behind saws and compactors, dump trucks and water trucks, and other equipment related to the maintenance of streets and alleys.
•Performs daily preventative maintenance of equipment.
•Performs manual work and general labor such as making street and curb cuts.
•Maintains tools and equipment.
•Assists with the proper set up of work zone traffic control.
•Assists in loading and unloading of transported material and equipment.
•Fulfill on-call duties as required and outlined on Transportation's on-call roster.
•Assists with the maintenance of Transportation's buildings and grounds.
•Assists other City divisions and departments, as needed.
•Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Employee must effectively communicate with all co-workers, managers, and citizens. Must effectively communicate with managers regarding work orders.

Knowledge of power and hand tools. Ability to read materials including equipment manuals and daily work logs. Ability to read fluid levels and fuel gauges. Ability to receive and understand training materials and demonstrations regarding the proper operation of light and heavy equipment for which employee has no prior knowledge or experience.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Valid Texas Class A or B Commercial Drivers License required.

Monday - Friday, 7:30 am until 4:00 pm. Overtime work may be required.

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NOW HIRING

Maintenance Specialist - Transportation

Operates some motorized equipment, hand tools and assists Equipment Operators in the maintenance and/or construction of streets, alleys and drainage channels. Installs devices that provide for the orderly and predictable movement of all motorized, non-motorized and pedestrian traffic.

Job Duties:
- Performs routine maintenance and/or construction on streets, alleys, right of ways, drainage channels, etc.
- Performs daily preventative maintenance of motorized equipment or hand tools.
- Performs manual work and general labor such as weed cutting, pothole repair, shoveling, etc.
- Maintains tools and equipment in good and safe operating condition.
- Performs any related duties needed to complete projects.
- Installs and maintains signage throughout the city.
- Paints lane lines on the streets and thoroughfares. Paints designated curbs.
- Installs lane marking devices.
- Trims trees in order to clear sign obstructions.
- Fabricates signs.
- Maintains records of work performed such as work schedules, status reports and records of work orders.
- Performs other related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees in the work group.

Knowledge of power and hand tools. Ability to train on some motorized equipment or tools. Ability to read materials such as equipment manuals and work orders. Ability to write and record information such as feedback on work request/work orders.

High school diploma or equivalent preferred. Valid Texas driver's license required.

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NOW HIRING

Sanitation Driver

Drives a single or tandem axle side loading refuse packer truck and collects and disposes of solid waste. Serves as standby driver until a regular route becomes available. Works at recycling center when required sorting recyclables. May be assigned to a roll-off truck or boom truck instead of side loaders.

Job Duties:
•Drives a sanitation vehicle and collects and disposes of solid waste from containers. Collects and disposes of yard waste and large, bulky items when assigned to hand pick up.
•Travels to and from the landfill in order to dispose of waste materials.
•Assists in litter pickup and similar programs when required.
•Maintains and inspects vehicles and performs safety checks daily.
•Maintains records of work performed for supervisor such as vehicle check list, trip logs and repair reports.
•Any solid waste management activity required of the solid waste management division in order to adequately perform public service responsibilities.
•Assists in recycling activities.
•Assists in solid wasted disposal related activities when not driving a regular route.
•Performs other related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with employees and citizens who will inquire regarding disposal procedures. Ability to work with citizens who may have complaints on services provided.

Knowledge of processes used in the collection and disposal of waste materials. Ability to read and write and follow oral and written instructions from supervisor. Skill in the use of various equipment and machinery such as hand tools and heavy equipment utilized in disposal activities such as compactors, lifts, claws and various hydraulic systems as well as shovels, brooms and rakes.

High school diploma or equivalent preferred with six months to one year of experience in a related position. Valid Texas Class B Commercial Driver's License required.

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RESIDENTIAL LISTINGS/HOME SITES/ACREAGE

RESIDENTIAL

2106 Kentucky Ave	3 Bdrm/2 Ba	U/C
5004 Anetta Dr	4 Bdrm/2 Ba	U/C
4514 Spence Dr	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
438 W. Pine Ave	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	SOLD
4309 Tumbleweed Trail	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/1 Car Garage	U/C
3513 Woodhaven Dr	4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
2511 Colonial Oaks Court	4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/4 Car Garage	$799,000
6106 Dunbarton Oaks Blvd	4 Bdrm/4.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$939,000

NEW CONSTRUCTION

4400 San Carlos	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
1203 Desert Rose Dr	BlackBrush Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	SOLD
5203 Torrey Vista Dr	Diamond Homes/4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
1201 Rhett Dr	Midland Gallery Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$326,800
1200 Stonefield	Lopez Construction/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
1205 Convair Dr	Ham Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	$336,900
5301 Torrey Vista Dr	Valencia Homes/4 Bd/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
1311 Convair Ct	Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
1307 Desert Rose Dr	Diamond Homes/4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
5105 Binney Cove	Ashingdon Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
5107 Binney Cove	Ashingdon Homes/3 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	$398,500
5404 Stonebridge	Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
4401 Casa Verde Ct	Ashingdon Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
5109 Binney Cove	Ashingdon Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$499,500
5303 George Yard Ct	Ashingdon Homes/3 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$545,000
5306 Dunraven Ct	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	SOLD
5400 Stonebridge Dr	Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
7213 E. Co. Rd. 113	Midland Gallery Homes/4 Bdrm/4 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C

SUBURBAN/ACREAGE

7009 E. Co. Rd. 90	Roping Arena/9.501 Acres	$34,900
2600 S. Co. Rd. 1089	6.789 Acres	$130,000
7000 S. Co. Rd. 1165	4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	$349,900
12044 E. Goldenrod	Gardendale/14.1 Acres	$350,000
3709 S. Co. Rd. 1184	3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/1 Carport	U/C
14574 W. Western Avenue	Gardendale/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

110 E. 29th Street	Odessa/3 Unit Strip	$695,000
3516 W. Co. Rd. 113	Approx 49.16 Acres	$595,000
302 S. Marienfeld	11,900 Sq. Ft.	$750,000

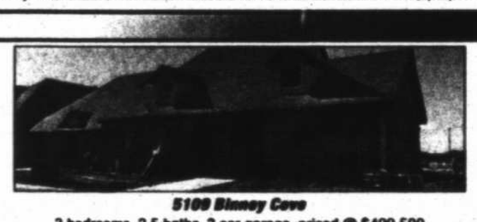
OUT OF TOWN PROPERTIES

1401 HWY 176	Big Spring/20 Acres	$249,000
County Rd. C2400	320 Acres	$2,000,000

FEATURED PROPERTIES

1201 Rhett Drive
3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage, priced @ $326,800

1205 Convair Drive
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 car garage, priced @ $336,900



5109 Binney Cove
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SUNDAY FEATURED HOMES

3701 E COUNTY RD 160 - $4,500,000
Here is a chance to own a high income producing property with two homes, 14 water wells, 55 RV Spaces and 8 septic systems all on 75 acres of land. Main house is approximately 2800 sq. ft and the guest house is approximately 1400 sq. ft with 4 bedrooms and 2 baths.
Call your agent for a private showing.
Jerry Thomas (432)661-1679

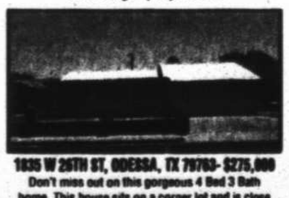
14 SANTA MARIA COURT, ODESSA, TX 79762 - $1,000,000
A luxurious Mission Country Club home on the Golf Course. Features- a resort style pool with self-cleaning floor jets, swim up bar with gazebo, hot tub, & custom fire place. A theater room with electric reclining movie seats, a built in ice machine, and refrigerator. Gourmet kitchen w/ sub-zero refrigerator. A Master bath with 2 TV's, fog heated shower mirror, Venetian plaster walls, fireplace, & heated towel bar.
Sherrie Vogler (432)553-8871

3805 W COUNTY RD 145 - $600,000
Amazing country living 4 bedroom 2.5 bath close to the city. 2 Living areas. Formal dining area. Oversized master with walk in closets; jetted tub and seated step in shower. Large utility room with extra storage and private half bath. WATER well.
500 gal lp propane tank
Glenda Matthews (432)254-8243

6101 NEVADA, ODESSA, TX 79762 - $580,000
Country living with convenient access to 191, loop 338, and I-20. This home has 4 large bedrooms and built with the in-laws in mind & an office. The beautiful kitchen is a chef's dream featuring granite counter tops, a new oven (2/18) & a spacious island. Entertainer's dream house - large saltwater pool, game room, and fully equipped media room are sure to keep everyone entertained. Outside features an oversized fenced lot with a barn, stables, & a 4 car garage. Roof/new 2017
Sherrie Vogler (432) 553-8871

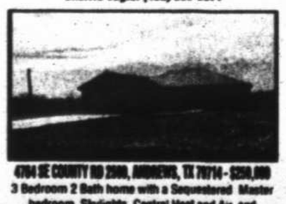
110 E COUNTY RD 310 - $399,000
Great place to escape the City Life. 10565 sq ft 2 Bed 2 Bath house on 51 acres of land. Also has a 1200 sq ft Workshop and a 1000 sq ft 3 car garage. Endless possibilities on what you could do here. Great place to escape the rat race or could serve as a Field Office for a Company. Call Your Agent Today For Your Private Showing.
Jerry Thomas (432)661-1679

1612 SAN FRANCISCO - $339,900
Lite brand new home 2018 built.Open floor plan,adorable closed in exterior patio,granite throughout,huge downstairs masterbedrm and bath with separate sinks and separate shower/bath,cozy gas fireplace turns on by electric switch,game room upstairs,media room,Sprinkler system in the back with sod.With full price offer and good appraisal 2 brown sofas and tv/equipment stay with home.Community pool!!
Tonja welborn (432)250-1040



1835 W 26TH ST, ODESSA, TX 79763- $275,000
Don't miss out on this gorgeous 4 Bed 3 Bath home. This house sits on a corner lot and is close to Schools and Shopping. Two car garage, sprinkler system, new metal roof and many more amenities. Call your Realtor today for your Private Showing.
Jerry Thomas (432)661-1679

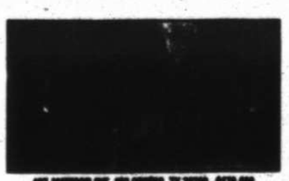
4002 S. HWY. 349 - $270,000
Home & business combo. Main home offers 3 bedroom, 2 baths, 2 living areas, large master bedroom with walk-in closet & jetted tub. Good sized bedrooms. Huge metal workshop/garage/storage 30x35. 3 rented units(1 bed 1 bath per unit, rents for $600 per month per unit), hook metal storage, brick & stone business with over $50,000 in equipment & stone plus clientele call for a list of equipment.
Minerva Rodriguez (432) 631-8879



4704 SE COUNTY RD 290, MIDKIFF, TX 79774 - $250,000
3 Bedroom 2 Bath home with a Sequestered Master bedroom, Skylights, Central Heat and Air, and Garage. On 5 Acres.
Genie McMahan (432)894-6913

5310 CONROE COURT - $239,500
Beautiful well maintained 2 bedroom 2 bath 2 car garage home in great location on corner lot! Easy access to loop 250, close to restaurants and shopping!! Open concept, vaulted ceilings, skylights, gas fireplace, washer and dryer, rear access to garage, low maintenance yard nicely landscaped!
Must see won't last long!!
Melanee Campbell (432)634-0722

905 DUKE AVE, ODESSA, TX 79765 - $220,000
GORGEOUS 3 Bedroom 2 Bath home in East Park. High ceilings, large kitchen, amazing master suite. Entertain in this beautiful low maintenance backyard.
Genie McMahan (432)894-6913

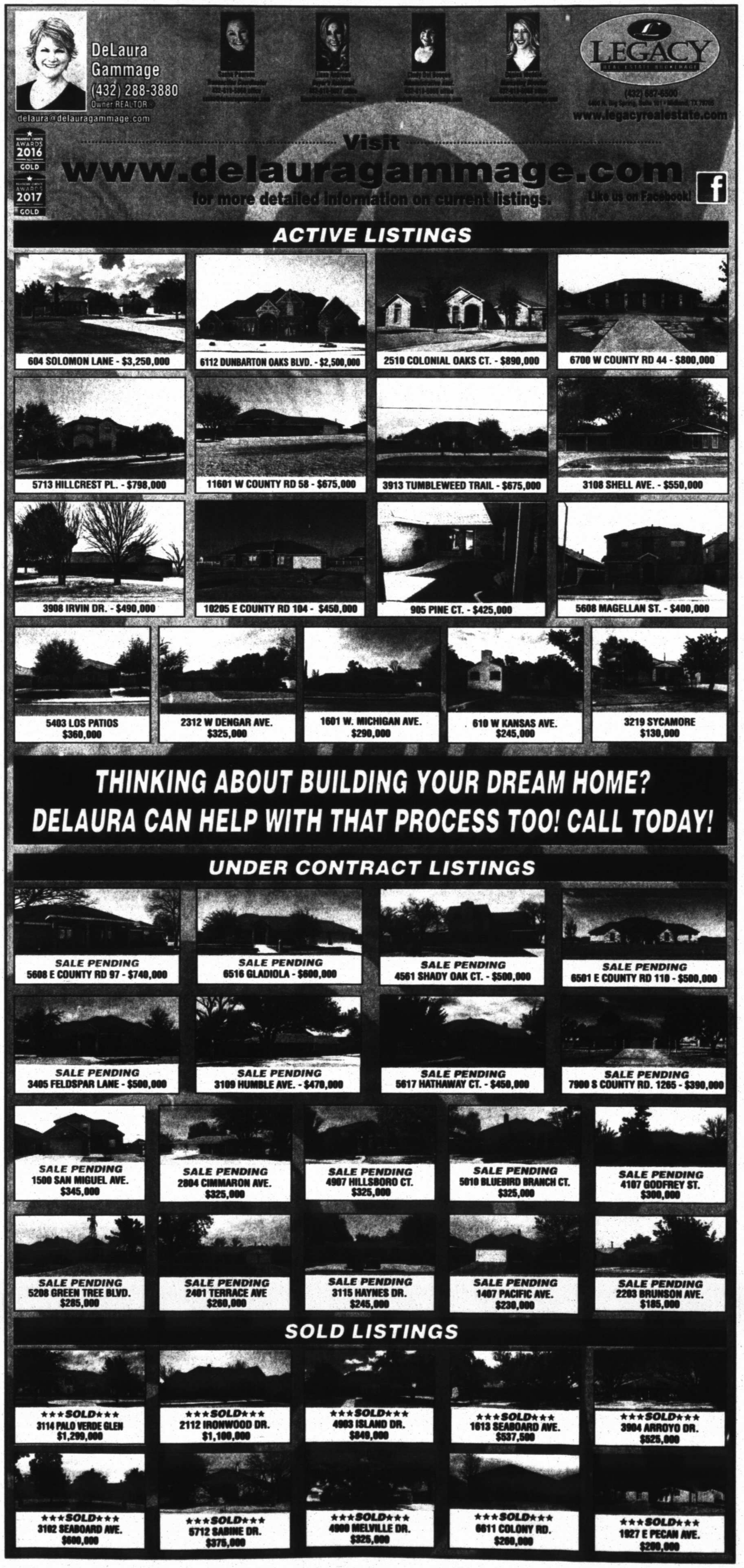


407 JOHNSON AVE, BIG SPRING, TX 79720 - $179,900
Great investment property with several updates. Beautiful trees that provide shade for the front patio with a view of the downtown hotel. The face of this miniature beauty will soon shine with new color and upgrades. Each unit is a 1 bedroom, 1 full bath, 1 living room, Kitchen, with an open concept to your dining area. Mineral Rights will convey with the sale of this duplex.
Sonya Lane (432)934-6300

1307 DOUGLAS DR, ODESSA, TX 79762 - $155,000
Come and see this remodeled home! 3 bedroom 1.5 baths with a 1 car garage, large living room, with a den area that has a wood burning fireplace and a new roof on the home. It has Washer and dryer connections located in the garage off of the kitchen area. There is a large storage unit located in this homes large and spacious backyard. 1307 Douglas is within walking distance of Sherwood park and aquatic center. This home will not last long so call your agent today to go look at this home.
Jennifer Jones (432)940-6988

1713 N. MARIENFELD - $142,900
Duplex with income potential! Each unit is 2 bedrooms with one bath adjoinging both bedrooms. Baths have recent tile showers and are in good shape! Large living, kitchen and dining area! Each unit has private patio & washer/dryer connections. Nice investment opportunity!
Minerva Rodriguez (432)631-8879

15 MISSION SANTIAGO, ODESSA, TX 79765 - $55,000
Great location! Oversize lot in Mission Green Estates ready for your dream home.
Sherrie Vogler (432)553-8871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11601 W COUNTY RD 58 - $675,000
3913 TUMBLEWEED TRAIL - $675,000
3108 SHELL AVE. - $550,000
3908 IRVIN DR. - $490,000
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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
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DISTRICT 08 — Rule 37 Case No. 0306634
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Apr 23, 2018 — Status/Permit No. 830373
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, May 29, 2018
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, [RRC Operator No. 642652] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the lease line distance requirement because the Applicant is less than the required Rule 37 lease line distance to an unleased or non-pooled interest within the subject unit for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 1, Bk. X, HILLIARD, H P Survey, A-11, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, MIDLAND County, being 1 miles S direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at **(512)463-6848**. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 **(512)463-6751**.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE.BY May 29, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below.

FIELD. SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name	MASSEY UNIT	
Lease/Unit Well No.	2813H	
Lease/Unit Acres	403.74	
Nearest Lease Line (ft)	107.0	
Lease Lines	755.0 F SOUTH L,	230.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines	755.0 F SOUTH L,	230.0 F WEST L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location

Lease Lines	100.0 F N L	
	330.0 F WEST L	

Terminus Location
BH County: MIDLAND

Section: 26	Block: 39 T1S	Abstract: 438
Survey: T&P RR CO, GIL, M		
Lease Lines	22.0 F SOUTH L	
	340.0 F WEST L	
Survey Lines	2625.0 F NORTH L	
	990.0 F EAST L	

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows.

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Monna Coleman, at (737)7042339.

Legal and Public Notices

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OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 — Rule 37 Case No. 0306616
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Apr 23, 2018 — Status/Permit No: 830361
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Austin, Texas 78711-2967
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FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name	MASSEY UNIT	
Lease/Unit Well No.	4313H	
Lease/Unit Acres	403.74	
Nearest Lease Line (ft)	107.0	
Lease Lines	795.0 F S L,	230.0 F W L
Survey Lines	795.0 F S L,	230.0 F W L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location

Lease Lines	100.0 F N L	
	330.0 F W L	

Terminus Location
BH County: MIDLAND

Section: 26	Block: 39 T1S	Abstract: 438
Survey: T&P RR CO, GIL, M		
Lease Lines	22.0 F SOUTH L	
	340.0 F WEST L	
Survey Lines	2625.0 F NORTH L	
	990.0 F EAST L	

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows.

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10200 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Monna Coleman, at (737)7042339.

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Legal and Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BID

Midland County Hospital District is Requesting Proposals for:

Orthopedic Power System
for
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Specifications may be secured at Materials Management of Midland Memorial Hospital located at 400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Parkway, Midland TX 79701 on or after **Monday, May 7, 2018.**

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Bids shall be addressed to:
Amy Jean Fultz
Director of Supply Chain
Midland County Hospital District
Midland Memorial Hospital
400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Parkway
Midland, Texas 79701

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Legal and Public Notices

GREENWOOD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
2700 FM 1379
Midland, TX 79706

BID ADVERTISEMENT

The Greenwood Independent School District is accepting bids for an exterior lighting project until May 9, 2018 at 12:00 pm. Detailed specifications for this project are available at 2700 FM 1379, Midland, TX 79706. Contact (432) 253-6678 or (432) 253-6677 to pick up a packet (including a detailed Bill of Materials, Description & Map of lighting locations). GISD reserves the right to accept/refuse any or all bids.

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Legal and Public Notices

Public Notice
Request for Proposals
#2018-012

Midland College is accepting competitive sealed proposals for roofing and repairs for areas on Advanced Technology Center, located at 3600 North Garfield, Midland, Texas 79705. A Walk-Through Conference will be held at 10:30 a.m., **Thursday, May 10, 2018** at the Midland College Maintenance Facility and Warehouse. The proposal forms and specifications may be obtained at the walk-through conference. **Proposals will be accepted until 2:00 p.m., Thursday, May 17, 2018,** at which time they will be opened and read aloud in the Administrative Board Room in the Pevehouse Administrative Building #106. For proposal packet information, contact the College's consultant, Greg Carroll, at (806)789-3267. A final determination may be made at a future board meeting. The College reserves the right to accept or reject any and or all bids submitted.

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Pre-Proposal Meeting not applicable

Bids are due by 4:00 PM local time, May 30, 2018.

Location:
Lee Lewis Construction, Inc.
7810 Orlando Ave
Lubbock, Texas 79423
Phone: 806-797-8400
Fax: 806-797-8492
lubbockestimating@leelewis.com

Bid packages will be available at the following locations:
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Legal and Public Notices

LEGAL NOTICE

Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a BQ - Wine and Beer Retailer's Off-Premise Permit by Southwest Convenience Stores LLC, dba 7-Eleven #821, to be located at 5801 W Interstate 20, Midland, Midland County, Texas. Officers of said corporation are Anthony L Miller, President; Bibek Budhathoki, VP; John E Moon, VP; Russell S Pfeiffer, VP; Judge A Dobrient, VP; Ezra U Yemin, CEO; Frederec C Green, EVP & CEO; Kevin L Kremke, EVP, CFO & Secretary.

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DISTRICT 08 — Rule 37 Case No. 0306693
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Apr 23, 2018 — Status/Permit No. 830372
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, May 29, 2018
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

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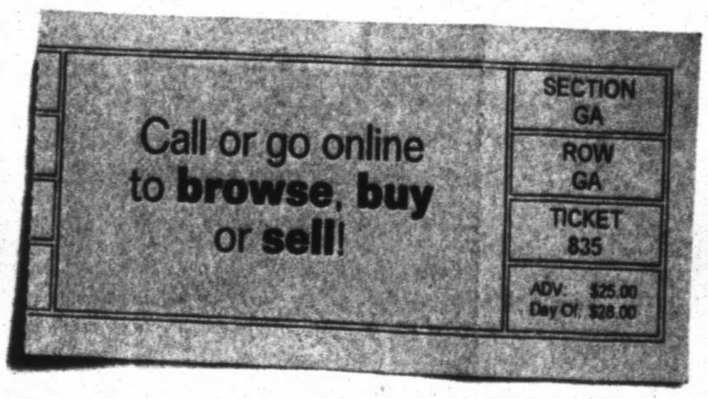

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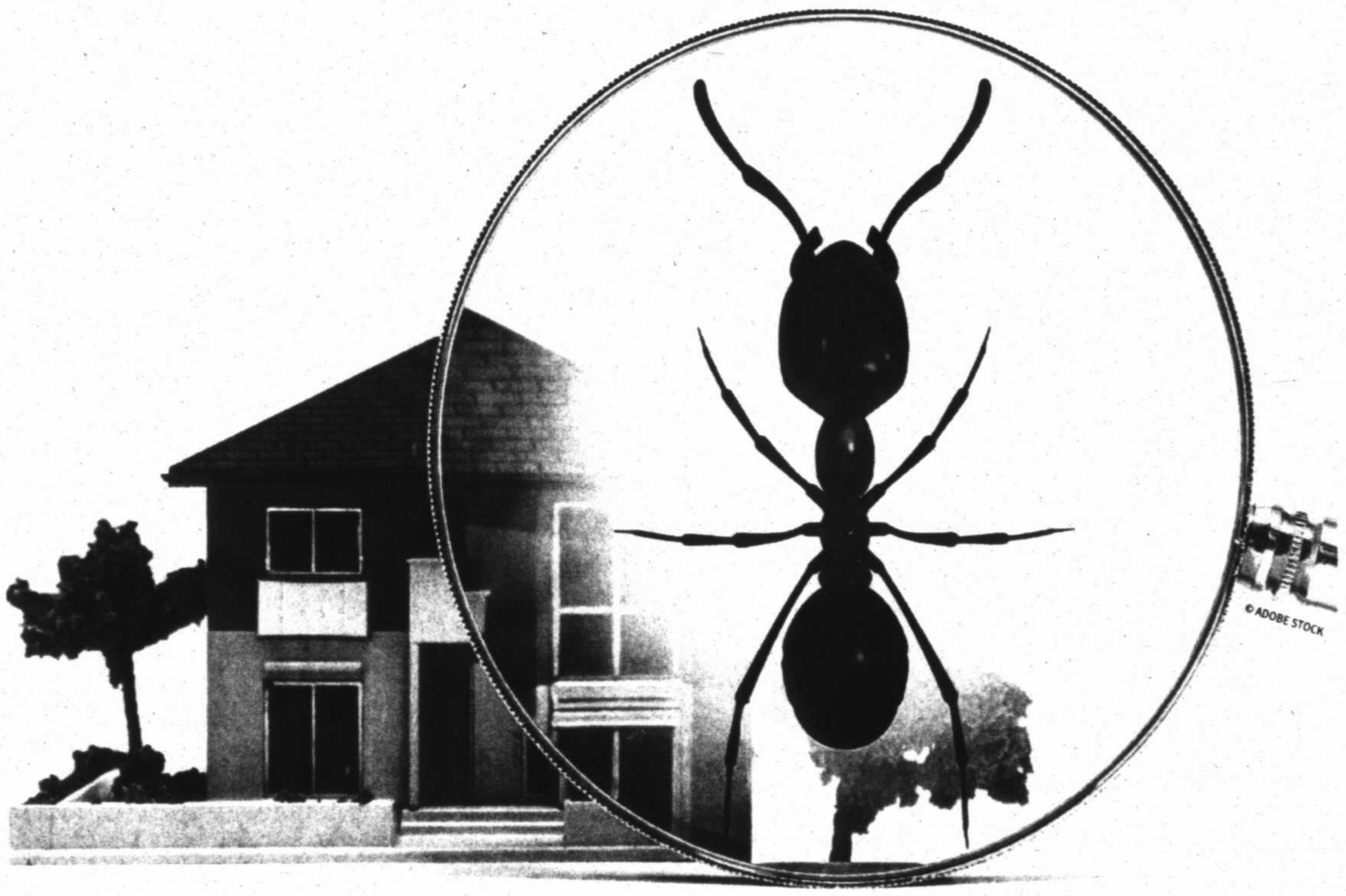

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Due For A Termite Inspection?

By JOE SZYNKOWSKI | Green Shoot Media

According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency, termites cause billions of dollars in structural damage each year. Inspections are crucial because termite activity is not typically discovered until significant damage has occurred.

Termites often go unnoticed because they rarely leave the wood they are tunneling. Along with annual inspections, you can check exposed wood for hollow spots. With a flathead screwdriver, probe exposed wood to examine any trouble signs.

DEVASTATING DAMAGE

The United States Department of Agriculture recognizes the Formosan subterranean termite as one of the most destructive pests in the country. They are known to form large colonies, some containing up to 2 million members.

A sizable swarm can easily compromise the integrity and safety of an average home.

These statistics reported by the USDA show why inspections and treatment are important.

• U.S. residents spend at least $1 billion on Formosan termite control and repairs annually.

• Nearly 600,000 homes are affected by termite damage each year.

Americans whose homes have significant termite damage spend an average of $3,000 to completely eradicate infestations and make repairs. Call your local pest exterminator today to ensure your home is safe.

PREVENTIVE MEASURES

A termite swarm occurs when a group leaves its colony in search of a new home. While there is no specific season for swarms, termites typically are more active when the weather is warm. This means states with warmer climates face a year-round threat.

In addition to inspections, practice the following prevention tips, provided by the EPA:

• Reduce openings that offer termites a point of access. Fill cracks in cement foundations as well as openings in the wall where utilities pass through.

• Fix leaks immediately.

• If you store firewood or other types of wood, keep it a safe distance from your home.

• Keep trees and bushes trimmed and away from wood structures.

If you are in the process of constructing your home, be sure to use a concrete foundation and allow room for ventilation between the soil and wood.

TREATMENT OPTIONS

If your inspection reveals a termite problem, you might have several options. Below are the most common ways exterminators treat an infestation.

• **A soil-applied barrier treatment** is one of the most common forms. This long-lasting barrier excludes termites in the ground from entering a structure.

• **Baits** are the other popular option. Made from products such as paper and cardboard, they attract termites and infect them with a lethal poison. Termites will consume it and share it with their colony, gradually eliminating members.

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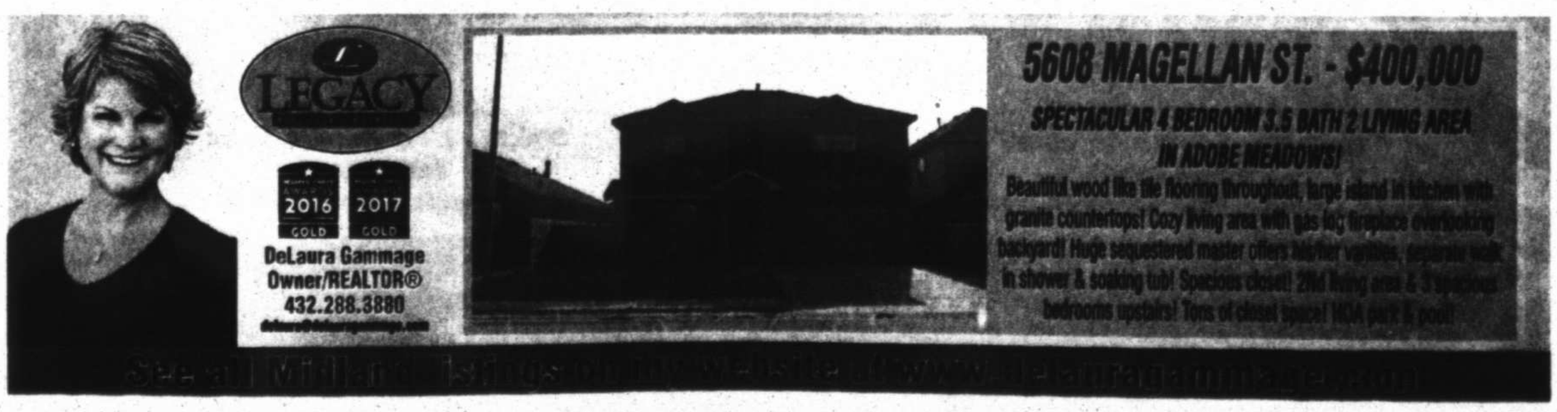
What About Insurance?

There are any good reasons to get a termite inspection if you have any reason to suspect a termite problem. One good reason is that homeowners probably will be left footing the bill. "Homeowners insurance does not cover damage from insects, whether it's from termites, bed bugs, or another infestation," lawyer Stacey A. Giulianti of Boca Raton, Fla., tells Realtor.com. "In general, that's because homeowners insurance doesn't cover any damage to a property that is 'preventable,'" according to the site.

HOMEWISE GLOSSARY

Capacity: Your ability to make your mortgage payments on time. This depends on your income and income stability (job history and security), your assets and savings, and the amount of your income each month that is left over after you've paid for your housing costs, debts and other obligations.

SOURCE: Federal Trade Commission



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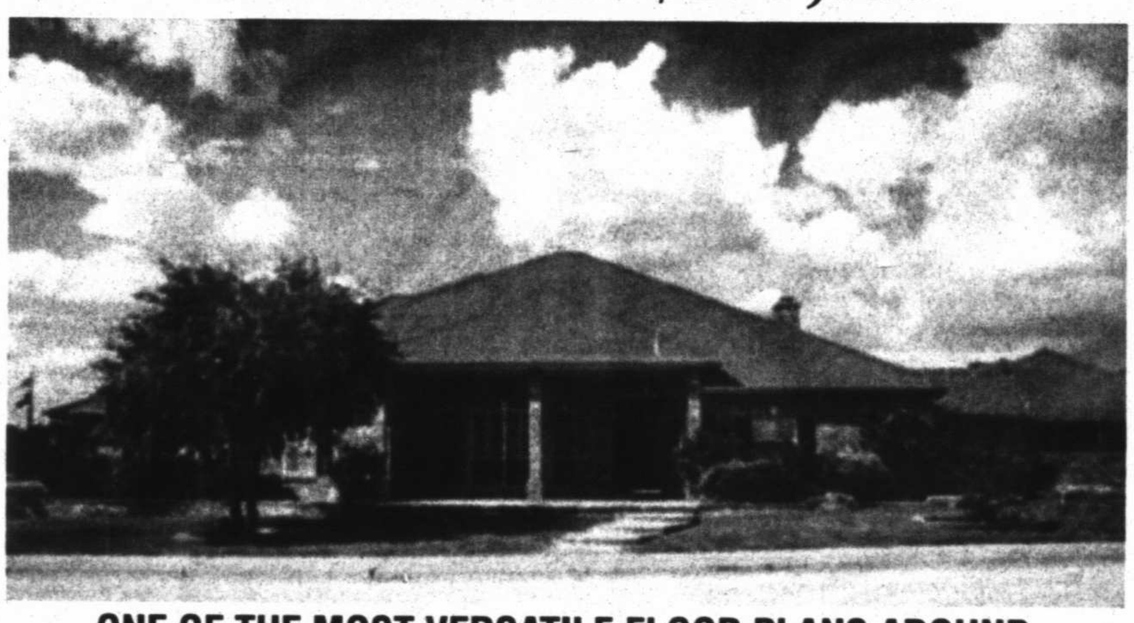

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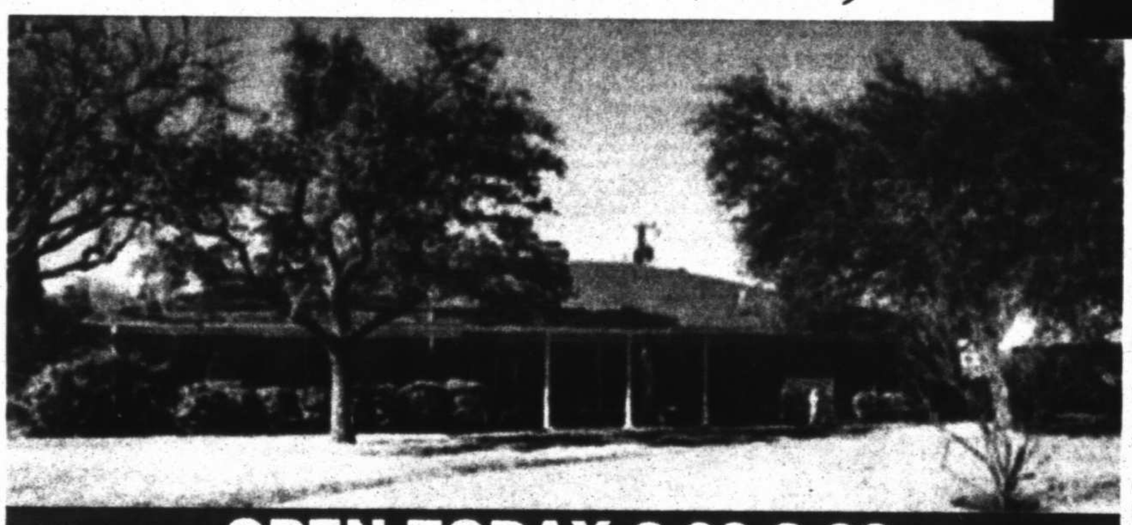

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6 Seller Secrets For This Springs Real Estate Market

Each year, it seems the housing market takes on a different tone - and whether it is going to be a sellers' market with inflated prices and bidding wars or a buyers' market with tons of choices and low prices - there is no denying that the 2018 spring housing season is upon us. So what does it have in store? Well, if you are thinking of listing your home, that is an important question. Let us look at six market insights that will give you a head start!

Right Now is A Great Time To Sell: The winter home selling season blooms into the spring selling season and there is pent-up demand from buyers who have been waiting for pleasant weather to brave the house hunt. Mortgage rates are still low, so buyers are poised to buy and ready to hit the streets.

Know Your Numbers: Sixty percent of all homes in 2018 will be bought and sold from May to August. Putting your home on the market at the beginning of the selling season will help your chances of snagging a winning offer before buyers turn their attention back to school starting in September.

Price it Right: Pricing is a critical component to getting your house sold. With this fluctuating market, you need to look at comps of similar homes in your area and timing: make sure you are looking back no more than 60 days. The sale price of homes that sold recently paints a much better pictures of what to expect than the price of homes that sold six months ago.

Bidding Wars: Bidding wars are still common in many hot markets, but we are hearing less about them right now. So do not bank of fielding two or three offers at once. There is, however, a good chance that you will still get the one that will be a win/win for both you and the buyer.

It Pays To Be Ahead Of The Curve: Trying to get a jump on the competition? Right now we are on the cusp of prime selling and buying season and if you list soon, you will have less competition than if you put your house on the market in the middle of summer, when more homes will flood the market. Since it is still early, your home can have its 'moment in the spotlight' to benefit the quick sale than it will when inventory increases.

Make It Pop Off The Screen: In this new mobile era, a huge percentage of buyers use smart phones and tablets to start their home search online. And that percentage is expected to continue to rise as more buyers take advantage of easy access to the wealth of information online. Get in on this trend by making sure your home pops off those computer screens. Great homes with mediocre quality photos will be quickly discarded and ultimately get less showings. Sellers should insist that their real estate professional take the time to beef up their online listing so the quality of your home jumps off the screen and gets buyers' attention.❖

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How to Sleep More Guests in Your Home

The in-laws and their brood coming to stay for the holidays? Don't panic about where to stow everyone for the night. Below are a handful of tips for making sleeping space on any budget.

Screened off corners. So you put a cot in the office—now what? The answer is a privacy screen. "Buying a privacy screen to corner off sleeping spaces can help up the cozy ante, as well as keep your existing space functional."

Skinny sleeper sofa. When most of us hear the term "sleeper sofa," we think of the bulky bedding of yore. However, there are many twin size sleeper sofa options that could fit nicely in the living room, den, or even in the corner of the guest bedroom. No year-round guests? No worries! These make great reading nooks in the off season.

Bunk it out. Want to make the most of that guest bedroom? Try bunk beds. There are many attractive bunk bed options available. And who says bunk beds need to be for kids? Many companies make queen size bunk options. No guest room? No problem. Another option is placing bunk beds in a less-trafficked room, like the office or den. Want to hide the bunks from day-to-day activities? Add an intimate curtain or—if your budget allows—a sliding barn door, which will add discretion and make guests feel like they've got their own sleeping fort.

Consider alternate couches. The futon isn't the only couch with slumber party capabilities. Consider swapping one of your couches for a day bed equipped with a trundle bed, or look for a large sectional big enough to sleep one or more.

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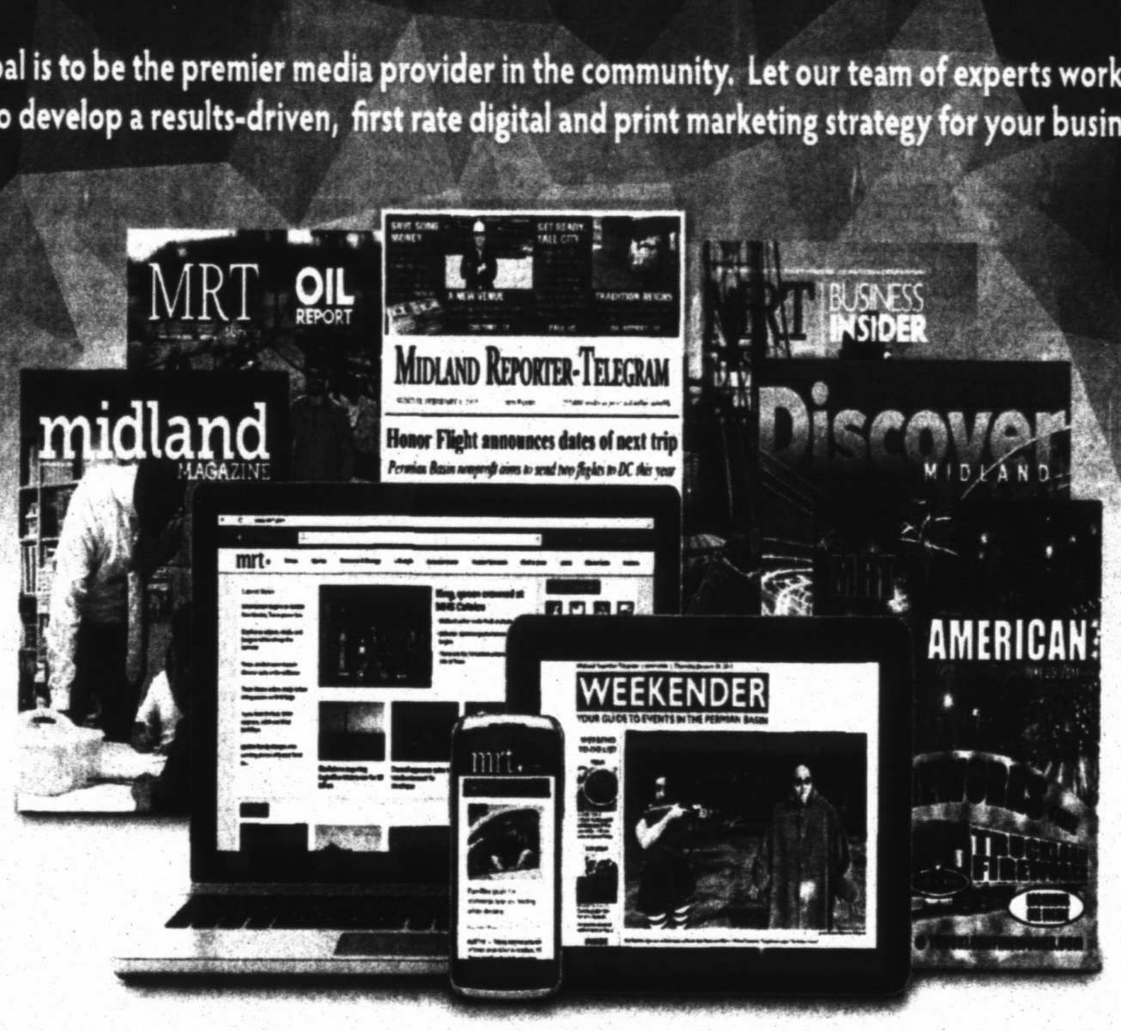

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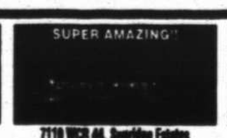
Oversized 5 bedrooms, open living areas, formal dining, breakfast room, wall of built in cabinets. Sep. Master bedroom, wrap around master closet, 3 car garage, walk to school. Huge old fashioned porch complete with swinging bench. Cul-de-sac location. A must see home!
$545,000

4307 Saltillo Ct
Beautiful like new AGA Homes Ranch! Energy efficient spray foam, insulation, High ceilings in great room, custom built-ins! Spectacular tile, granite and custom stain, stainless appliances in kitchen. Jetted tub in Master bath. Oversize 3-car garage! Easy to show!!
$419,900

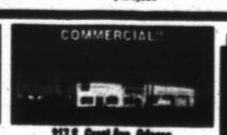
1606 Shell Ave
Location, Location, Location!!! So many possibilities here! Large 3 bedroom 2Baths, needs some TLC! Lot is almost 14,000 sq ft. Lots of space in this home! Owner wants to sell "AS IS, WHERE IS" only. Inspections for informational purposes only! Square footage includes garage conversion.
$240,000



7110 WCR 44, Sunridge Estates
A dream come true!! African mahogany double front door greets you to the finest of quality in this home! Custom built and designer to every detail! 69 x 70 barn with bath, kitchen, and self-contained apartment! 2 septic systems , sewer pump for RV parking! Much too much to list! Please call for your private showing!!
$2,250,000

1005 E Main Str
Perfect residential or commercial lot close to Big Spring Street! City water and sewer!! Let your imagination run wild with what you could put on this lot!! Fenced!!
$60,000

2222 E Main Str
Wonderful opportunity on this very desirable lot!! Zoning is O1-Office, on at/next a hill zone! The plot, per the city, shows it is not in a flood area. Some of the possible uses are Day Care, Barber/Beauty Shop, Attorneys office, No survey available.
$75,000



317 E. Grant Ave, Odessa
Property to be sold "AS IS", "High Traffic Area" So much hard here! Main building over 13,000 sq ft, roof recently re-done, 3 large bays, 3 front offices, 3 baths. Large storage area. Great size 3 bedroom apartment on the rear w/1 bath. Currently being leased, and used for a cabinet shop.
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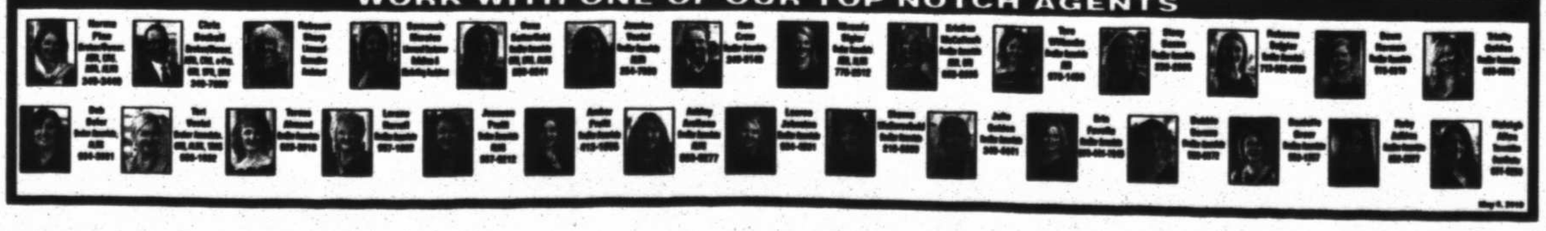

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ANNABELLA HOMES, LLC

7387 E. CO. RD. 91....Melody Carroll .....MLS #50008626.....$370,000

GOMEZ CONSTRUCTION

910 S. BAIRD ST...Josie Rendon 889-8394 .....MLS #50012067..... SALE PENDING

FOUR OR MORE BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

604 SOLOMON LANE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50009355.....$3,250,000
6112 DUNBARTON OAKS BLVD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50012849.....$2,500,000
509 AFFIRMED LN....Denise Brasher .....MLS #50014360.....$1,055,000
2510 COLONIAL OAKS CT...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 .....MLS #50012754.....$890,000
6700 W. CO. RD. 44...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50010101.....$800,000
5713 HILLCREST PL....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50012307.....$798,000
3917 FAIRWOOD COURT....Tracy Farrow 413-4412 .....MLS #50014785.....$749,000
2181 DEEANNA....Susan Palmer .....MLS #50013118.....$690,000
3913 TUMBLEWEED TR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50014090.....$675,000
5329 RIDGEFIELD CT....Reannah Glover .....MLS #50014648.....$639,000
3304 MAMAR CT....Karen Foster.....MLS #50011311.....$629,000
4425 VERDE GLEN COURT....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 .....MLS #50014448.....$626,500
1901 GLADEWOOD DRIVE....Kay Bivens 934-5995.....MLS #50014064.....$575,000
3108 SHELL AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50014036.....$550,000
5303 DUNRAVEN...Tracy Farrow 413-4412.....MLS #50014564..... SALE PENDING
5313 SHADY BEND COURT....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819.....MLS #50014303..... SALE PENDING
4217 BAYBROOK PL....Karen Foster.....MLS #50011851.....$515,000
3405 FELDSPAR LANE....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 .....MLS #50013710..... SALE PENDING
2904 SENTINEL....Donna Omar .....MLS #50013240.....$499,000
5711 CRANSTON PLACE....Ashley St. John.....MLS #50014178.....$489,900
5108 WIDENER STRIP....Danny Norwood .....MLS #50004532.....$489,900
5301 DUNRAVEN CT....Stacy Gonzalez.....MLS #50013550..... SALE PENDING
4403 WOODHOLLOW DR....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819.....MLS #50014047..... SALE PENDING
1101 CASTLEFORD DR....Denise Brasher.....$475,000
5807 SUNDANCE PL....Karen Foster.....MLS #50013650.....$474,000

2 WINCHESTER COURT....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819.....MLS #50014566.....$465,000
5617 HATHAWAY CT....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 .....MLS #50014794..... SALE PENDING
3121 FAIRFIELD LANE....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 .....MLS #50014130..... SALE PENDING
2827 STUTZ...Tracy Farrow 413-4412.....MLS #50014175..... SALE PENDING
2112 EVANS LN....Pam Dodd 413-0780 .....$436,000
3308 STANOLIND....Susan Palmer.....MLS #50013567.....$435,000
4508 CHERRYWOOD....Mark Phillber .....MLS #50014008..... SALE PENDING
3509 TRINITY MEADOWS....Donna Omar.....$425,000
5702 LOS PATIOS DR....Pam Dodd.....$410,000
5608 MAGELLAN ST....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50014758.....$400,000
2511 CULPEPER....Stacy Gonzalez.....MLS #50014253.....$399,900
4313 VALLEY DR....Mark Phillber .....MLS #50013657.....$395,000
4815 RICHMOND....Josie Rendon 889-8394 .....MLS #50014526..... SALE PENDING
3204 HIGHSKY....Martha Manulik.....MLS #50013329.....$385,000
5208 MATHIS....Martha Manulik .....SALE PENDING
5505 GRASSLAND....Martha Manulik.....MLS #50012489.....$375,000
3124 PATRICK....Wendy Waddell 638-9955.....MLS #50002486.....$368,500
4105 CRESTRIDGE DR....Leah Watkins $359,500
5012 STONELEIGH DR....Denise Brasher.....MLS #50014011..... SALE PENDING
5008 CASTLEFORD....Larry Hatfield .....MLS #50014107.....$350,000
1200 CERRILLOS....Andrea Snell $349,900
5606 BACA ST....Brittany Boyd .....MLS #50013904.....$349,000
1500 SAN MIGUEL AVE....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 .....MLS #50013744..... SALE PENDING
2903 EMERSON PL....Karen Foster.....MLS #50011909.....$335,000

3407 ALICIA COURT...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 .....MLS #50014237..... SALE PENDING
2203 GULF....Reannah Glover .....MLS #50014723..... SALE PENDING
93 STUTZ CT....Cheryl Parrish.....$324,900
2802 CALDERA BLVD....Stacy Gonzalez.....MLS #50014333.....$320,000
3204 DURANT....Stacy Gonzalez.....MLS #50014202.....$320,000
1311 CERRILLOS....Leah Watkins .....MLS #50010457.....$314,999
6702 VANGUARD....Donna Omar $305,000
4107 GODFREY ST....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50014033..... SALE PENDING
5302 WIDENER STRIP....Lavonne Johnson 770-3883 .....MLS #50004532..... SALE PENDING
4508-10 FAIRGATE DR.-DUPLEX....Cheryl Parrish .....MLS #50006199.....$299,900
6110 CRYSTAL SKY LN....Leah Watkins.....MLS #50006820.....$295,000
1601 W. MICHIGAN....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50013888.....$290,000
2800 DURANT....Pam Dodd $280,000
910 MARINOR COURT....Martha Manulik 557-8744.....MLS #50006418.....$278,500
3617 IMPERIAL....Susan Palmer .....MLS #50014747.....$275,000
3005 VERMONT....Tracy Farrow 413-4412 .....MLS #50014703..... SALE PENDING
3002 NORTHTOWN....Leah Watkins .....MLS #50005794.....$275,000
2609 FRONTIER DR....Darla Davis.....MLS #50011734.....$265,000
7310 E. CO. RD. 61....Melody Carroll .....MLS #50009732.....$250,000
3709 STANOLIND....Donna Omar .....MLS #50014646.....$235,000
3217 SINCLAIR....Donna Omar.....MLS #50007298.....$235,000
4610 N. CO. RD. 1278....Kay Bivens 934-5995.....MLS #50012878.....$199,900
604 W. KANSAS AVE....Lisa Russell 741-5964 .....MLS #108203.....$189,900
708 UPLAND DR....Cheryl Parrish 352-3053.....MLS #50005289.....$169,900

THREE BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

3701 CARDINAL LN....Pam Dodd $850,000
4403 GREEN TREE BLVD....Gina Reyes.....MLS #50013622.....$800,000
3908 IRVIN DR....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50014775.....$490,000
905 PINE CT....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 .....MLS #50014320.....$425,000
1 OAKLAWN PARK....Reannah Glover .....MLS #50014066..... SALE PENDING
4561 SHADY OAK CT....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50013560..... SALE PENDING
3109 HUMBLE AVE....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 .....MLS #50013574..... SALE PENDING
7900 S. CO. RD. 1295....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 .....MLS #50012686..... SALE PENDING
1804 NORTH H....Danny Norwood 413-2764.....MLS #50008505.....$369,900
5403 LOS PATIOS....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50014141.....$360,000
5812 LLANO CT....Ashley St. John .....MLS #50014540..... SALE PENDING
4321 STOREY AVE.-DUPLEX....Skye Farris .....MLS #50014101.....$350,000
2312 W. DENGAR AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 .....$325,000
2804 CIMMARON AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50014199..... SALE PENDING
6516 GLADIOLA...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50014408..... SALE PENDING
5010 BLUEBIRD BRANCH CT...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50014155..... SALE PENDING
4907 HILLSBORO CT....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 .....MLS #50013956..... SALE PENDING
4700 ROSEWOOD....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 .....MLS #50009562..... SALE PENDING
2513 CIMMARON....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 .....MLS #50012755..... SALE PENDING
3102 PRINCETON....Leah Watkins .....MLS #50010427.....$299,500
5406 SAN SABA CT....Gina Reyes .....MLS #50008830.....$295,000
5208 GREEN TREE BLVD....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50013385..... SALE PENDING
2821 MOSS AVE....Cheryl Parrish.....MLS #50009731.....$279,900
2905 SKYLINE....Lydia Scudder 853-2200.....$279,000
1415 PINE...Lavonne Johnson 770-3883 .....MLS #5001414 .....$275,000

109 CLUB DR....Josie Alvarez.....$264,900
2401 TERRACE AVE....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50014545..... SALE PENDING
2905 DOUGLAS....Karen Foster .....SALE PENDING
6001 MEDINA DR....Leah Watkins 559-2187.....SALE PENDING
6969 KING RANCH RD....Pam Dodd $260,000
1508 ALCOVE CT....Darla Davis .....MLS #50014059.....$260,000
3705 FAIRHAVEN....Larry Hatfield.....$255,000
1200 PRAIRIE LANE....Leah Watkins 599-2187.....MLS #1000034433.....$255,000
3527 SEABOARD AVE....Cheryl Parrish .....MLS #50013745.....$254,900
5306 CANADIAN....Pam Dodd 413-0780.....SALE PENDING
6989 KING RANCH RD....Pam Dodd 413-0780.....$250,000
3301 W. SHANDON....Larry Hatfield.....MLS #50014206.....$249,900
4606 BISHOPS CASTLE DR ..Cheryl Parrish 352-3053 .....MLS #50003188.....$249,900
3501 CLAREMONT DR....Darla Davis 260-8077 .....MLS #50001061.....$249,000
610 W. KANSAS AVE....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 .....MLS #50014779.....$245,000
3115 HAYNES DR....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 .....MLS #50014353..... SALE PENDING
3305 EDGEMONT DR....Leah Watkins $239,000
5210 CANADIAN....Donna Omar.....MLS #50003775.....$235,000
1407 PACIFIC AVE....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 .....MLS #50014251..... SALE PENDING
1601 CASCADE CT....Cheryl Parrish .....MLS #50012389..... SALE PENDING
2901 DOUGLAS....Pam Dodd .....SALE PENDING
1603 NEELY AVE...Martha Manulik 557-8744 .....MLS #50004091.....$232,500
4504 CRENSHAW....Larry Hatfield .....MLS #50014306..... SALE PENDING
1109 MILLTOWN RD....Darla Daves 260-8077.....MLS #50008001.....$229,900
2412 EMERSON CT....Cheryl Parrish .....MLS #50009158.....$229,900

782 SINCLAIR AVE...Lisa Russell .....MLS #50012958.....$225,000
3601 STANOLIND....Danny Norwood 413-2764.....$225,000
3405 BOYD AVE....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276.....MLS #50007035.....$225,000
3504 SINCLAIR.....Darla Davis 260-8077 .....MLS #50009605.....$224,900
906 SHEA LN....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 .....MLS #50003252.....$223,000
3611 PRINCETON....Donna Omar $220,000
3203 W. SHANDON....Martha Manulik 557-8744 .....MLS #50001315.....$215,000
3310 EDGEMONT DR....Cheryl Parrish .....MLS #50013046.....$214,900
3605 JORDAN AVE....Skye Farris.....$213,000
506 WAVERLY DR....Skye Farris .....MLS #50006416.....$200,000
2202 N. D ST...Larry Hatfield .....MLS #50011463.....$199,900
2506 HOYA DR...Leah Watkins 599-2187.....MLS #50002192.....$195,000
2203 BRUNSON AVE....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50014735..... SALE PENDING
4405 PARKDALE DR....Cheryl Parrish .....MLS #50009781.....$179,900
4323 PRINCETON AVE....Josie Rendon 889-8394.....MLS #50011266..... SALE PENDING
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1002 JEFFERSON....Lavonne Johnson 770-3883.....MLS #50014039O ..... SALE PENDING
305 S. DALLAS ST....Darla Davis.....MLS #50002182.....$167,000
5204 SAN ANTONIO...Danny Norwood .....MLS #50004827.....$160,000
3105 DELANO AVE....Wendy Waddell 638-9955 .....MLS #50006353.....$159,000
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1009 MOGFORD....Cheryl Parrish.....MLS #50009370.....$134,900
4405 PARKDALE....Danny Norwood 413-2764.....$124,900

ONE/TWO BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

3002 TEALWOOD....Larry Hatfield .....MLS #50014774.....$236,000
2311 CASTLEFORD RD....Reece Bivens 230-8647.....MLS #50014655.....$225,000

2400 COLLEGE....Susan Palmer.....MLS #50013713..... SALE PENDING
1005 MCDONALD ST....Ashley St. John .....MLS #50014349..... SALE PENDING

4724-B HARVARD AVE....Stephanie Masterson 556-1564.....$150,000
3219 SYCAMORE....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50014416.....$130,000

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4409 E. CO. RD. 63...Danny Norwood 413-2764.....MLS #108422.....$999,000
6700 W. CO. RD. 44...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50010101.....$800,000
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4311 E. CO. RD. 60....Tina Atkins 432-661-0062 .....$685,000
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1801 S. CO. RD. 1148...Tracy Farrow 413-4412.....MLS #50014512..... SALE PENDING
7213 E. CO. RD. 114, GREENWOOD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633...MLS #50009497.....$638,000
6501 E. CO. RD. 110...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... SALE PENDING
7110 E. CO. RD. 114...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819.....MLS #50010571..... SALE PENDING
12107 W. CO. RD. 52....Lisa Russell 741-5964.....MLS #108236.....$484,900
10295 E. CO. RD. 104, GREENWOOD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50012756.....$458,000

1107 W. CO. RD. 143....Josie Alvarez.....7.8 Acres/$429,900
5011 E. CO. RD. 130, GREENWOOD...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... SALE PENDING
7600 E. CO. RD. 110...Nicole Duncan .....MLS #50012462..... SALE PENDING
2712 S. CO. RD. 1054...Tracy Farrow 413-4412.....MLS #50014557.....$349,500
7900 S. CO. RD. 1295...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 .....MLS #50012686..... SALE PENDING
11624 W. CO. RD. 94....Martha Manulik.....MLS #50014042 2.5 Acres/$340,000
10507 E. CO. RD. 100...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 .....MLS #50012632..... SALE PENDING
2205 E. CO. RD. 140....Donna Omar $325,000
1500 S. CO. RD. 1110, GREENWOOD...Darla Davis.....MLS #50011618.....$310,000
1902 E. CO. RD. 129...Andrea Snell 559-4417.....MLS #50008114..... SALE PENDING

3700 W. CO. RD. 145...Danny Norwood 413-2764.....$309,900
3700 W. CO. RD. 145....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 .....MLS #50008046..10 Acres/$305,000
2205 E. CO. RD. 140...Donna Omar.....MLS #50013410.....$345,000
1915 S. CO. RD. 1085, GREENWOOD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633.MLS #50012907.....$298,500
7300 E. CO. RD. 61...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276..... SALE PENDING
4610 N. CO. RD. 1278...Kay Bivens 934-5995.....MLS #50008485.....$249,900
4607 S. CO. RD. 1177...Darla Davis 260-8077 .....MLS #50005740.....$249,000
10901 E. CO. RD. 104, GREENWOOD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633..... SALE PENDING
4610 N. CO. RD. 1278...Kay Bivens 934-5995.....MLS #50012878.....$199,900
6001 E. CO. RD. 85...Stephanie Masterson.....MLS #50013602.....$127,500

HOMES OUTSIDE OF MIDLAND COUNTY

14800 585 N., BROWNWOOD, TX ...Donna Omar 349-1458 .....MLS #50008668 .....$996,500
18 LA CAMPANA DR....Yvonne Gabaldon 210-6666.....MLS #50012653.....$750,000
CO. RD. 248A, COMANCHE TX....Melody Carroll.....MLS #50011044.....196.301 Acres/$750,000
7008 VISTA DEL SOL, ODESSA....Ashley St. John .....MLS #50014343.....$649,900
5611 CO. RD. 1214....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819.....MLS #50011954.....$475,000
14 SUSSEX DR., ODESSA...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 .....MLS #105380.....$340,000
3016 SAN PEDRO, ODESSA...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 .....MLS #50005362.....$315,000
COLORADO CITY....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 .....MLS #50006943..10 Acres/$300,000
3039 CO. RD. 310, HUBBARD CREEK LAKE-BREKENRIDGE...Josie Alvarez. $275,000

2742 FAIR OAKS CIRCLE....Darla Davis 260-8077.....MLS #105632.....$275,000
6969 KING RANCH RD., ODESSA....Pam Dodd 413-0780.....$260,000
1750 BUFFALO AVE., ODESSA....Cheryl Parrish.....MLS #50014014..... SALE PENDING
9955 XIT, ODESSA....Pam Dodd 413-0780 ..... SALE PENDING
8725 CORNELL AVE., ODESSA...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 .....MLS #102876.....$294,000
1100 E. 44TH, ODESSA....Leah Watkins 599-2187 .....MLS #50007312.....$290,000
1716 ROSEWOOD AVE., ODESSA...Darla Davis .....MLS #50011952.....$199,900
2291 S. 3RD, LAMESA....Larry Hatfield 349-4788.....MLS #50008073.....$199,900
411 E. 90TH ST., ODESSA...Tina Atkins 432-661-0062.....MLS #0012859.....$196,000

409 OLD COURSE RD....Amanda Gunter .....MLS #104104.....$195,000
409 E. 90TH STREET, ODESSA...Amanda Gunter 413-7330.....$189,900
14241 LOYOLA, GARDENDALE...Leah Watkins.....MLS #50002358.....$189,000
9421 LAMAR AVE., ODESSA....Darla Davis.....MLS #105231.....$175,000
912 CORONADO....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 .....MLS #100010.....$160,000
10975 E. EMERSON ST., GARDENDALE...Leah Watkins 599-2187..MLS #50004438.....$133,000
3122 CENTER AVE., ODESSA....Tina Atkins 432-661-0062 .....MLS #107310.....$117,000
5252 LAKE CO. RD. 250...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819.....MLS #108038..... $99,400
506 4TH ST., STANTON....Ashley St. John.....MLS #50014388..... SALE PENDING

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL

4309 S. CO. RD. 1131...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 .....MLS #50009725.....$1,000,000
12502 W. CO. RD. 100....Ashley St. John .....MLS #50012355..... SALE PENDING
4309 S. CO. RD. 1131, GREENWOOD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633.MLS #50009725 43 Acres/$1,375,000

9700 FM 307....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 .....MLS #50005743.....$800,000

2222 WOLFCAMP CIRCLE....Susan Palmer.....MLS #50013389.....$350,000

200 S. COLLEGE, STANTON...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633.....MLS #50007763.....$305,000

401 MIDLAND DR ..Lydia Scudder 853-2200.....MLS #103887 .....$90,000

LAND AND LOTS

3302 S. CO. RD. 1050, GREENWOOD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633.....MLS #50010433 .... 99 Acres/$1,543,955
4309 S. CO. RD. 1131, GREENWOOD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633.....MLS #50011832 .... 43 Acres/$1,375,000
E. CO. RD. 67...Tracy Farrow 413-4412.....MLS #50013484 ....58.82 Acres/$900,000
9700 FM 307....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 .....MLS #50005743 .....$800,000
3701 CARDINAL LN....Pam Dodd $850,000
NOBLES....Karen Foster .....MLS #50014126 ..... 11 Lots/$229,000
CO. RD. 60 W. AND 1283 ..Lavonne Johnson 770-3883 .....MLS #50007449.....3 Acres/$150,000
MARTIN CO....Michele Lesikar 230-3633.....MLS #50007174 .....10 Acres/$119,900
4675 S.E. CO. RD. 2700...Tracy Farrow 413-4412.....MLS #50013546 .... 5.735 Acres/$64,900
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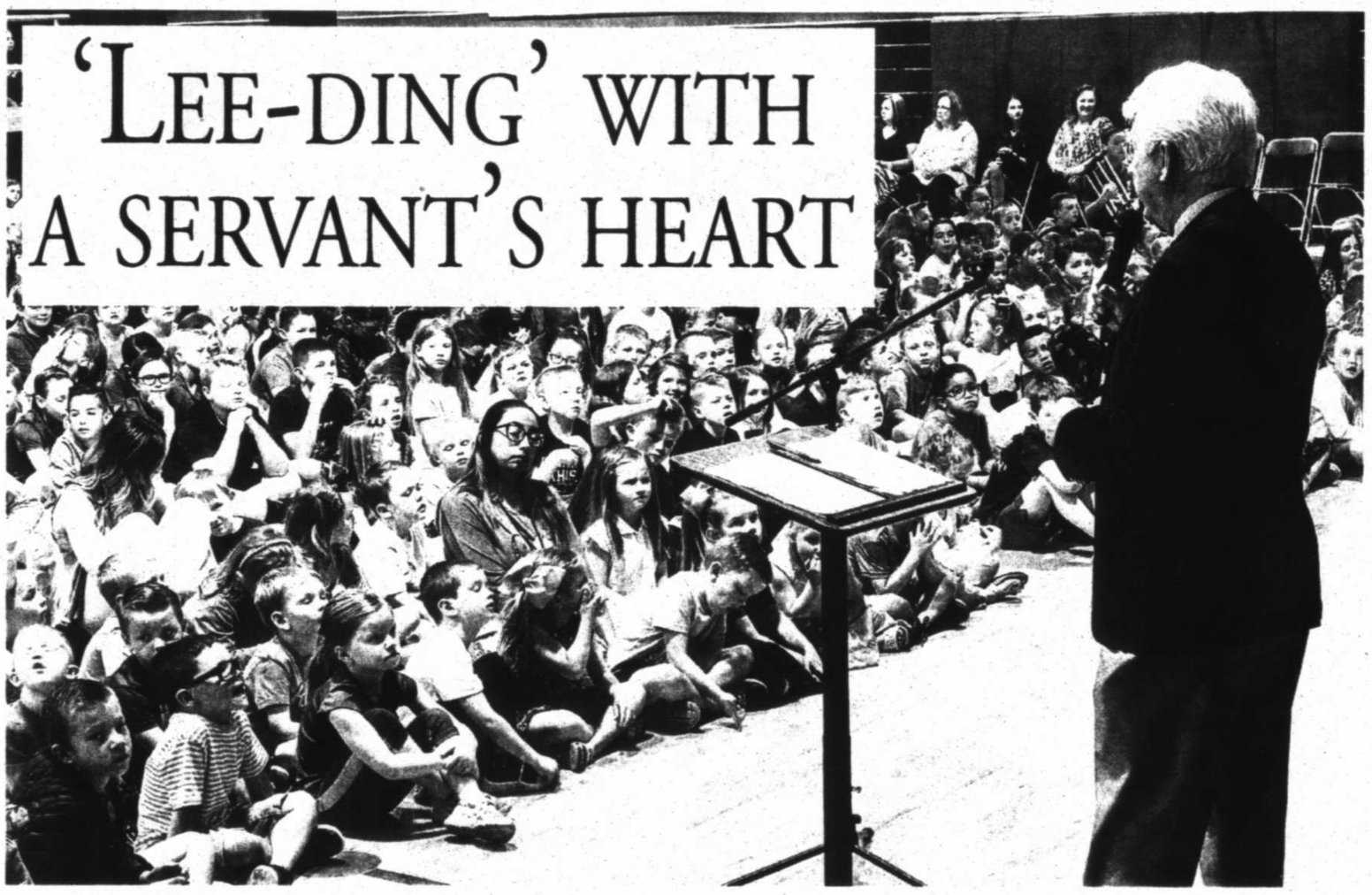

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Eddie Lee leads Midland Christian students Monday during morning prayer and reflection.

Eddie and Carol Lee pass the baton after more than four decades at Midland Christian School

By Stewart Doreen
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The man with a servant's heart is stepping down as superintendent at Midland Christian School.

After 43 years, including 33 as the school's chief executive, Eddie Lee will hand off the superintendent responsibilities to his son and MCS graduate Jared Lee, step into a less-involved role and enjoy a semi-retired life with his wife, Carol.

It will be strange for all involved. The man known simply as "Mr. Lee" to thousands of MCS students and parents over the years, typically was the first to arrive on campus — usually before 6 a.m. He made sure the doors were unlocked, the coffee pots were turned on, the buses were full of gas and Midland's largest private school was ready to provide the best Christian setting possible for its students. Midland Christian, by all accounts, is where it is today because of Lee's leadership. The transformation of its campus over 33 years is a testament to Lee and Midland's desire for a Christian education option. That growth includes:

- Enrollment increasing from 245 students when Lee took over for Wylie Brown to the 1,293 students registered for the 2018-19 school year, according to Alan Brown, president of the school's board of directors.
- Building projects that helped a once-small campus in the heart of central Midland become an academic home for nearly 1,300 students.

Lee said last week every building that was standing more than three decades ago has been replaced. The latest projects — the high school building — named for Dale and Rita Brown — and the student life center — named for Eddie and Carol Lee — are a testament to the generous nature of Midland Christian donors and their support for Lee. The school is debt-free with substantial improvements completed that has prepared MCS for the next 50 years, according to the board.

"I drive around this campus and pinch myself," Lee said. "I am in awe of what God has done at this school."

A LIFE DEVOTED TO MCS

More than four decades ago, a Lubbock Christian graduate was at a Christian camp in New Mexico when he was approached to teach science and math at a school in Midland. Lee, at the time, didn't give much thought about the opportunity coming his way. He figured he would give Midland a couple of years and then head back to Lubbock. "I initially fell in love with the Christian aspects," Lee said.

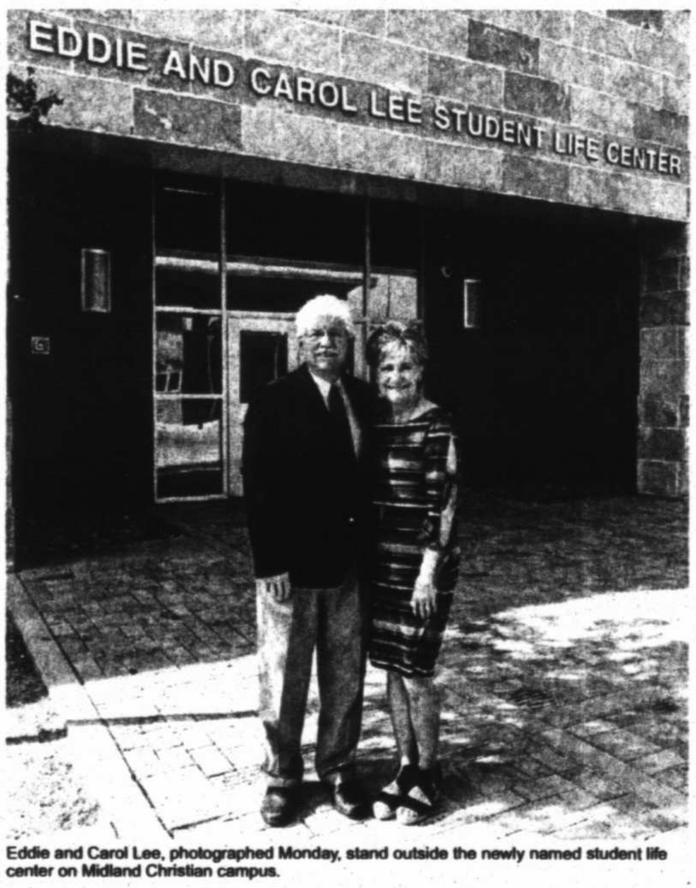
Five years later, he was named principal. Ten years after first stepping on the MCS campus, he was the superintendent.

In Lee, Midland Christian had a leader who was comfortable in putting religion as a key pillar of the school's mission. As every private school in Midland has its own niche, Lee said parents have appreciated Midland Christian's efforts to provide a quality academic program and still emphasize the Christian and spiritual perspectives. Every Monday, Lee is front and center before the entire student body, leading a weekly chapel service — one of his ways of staying connected with MCS' student body. Parents, he said, like MCS offering a Christian education in "this old, dark world, where there are negative things going on."

"True life and true joy comes in life through a true Christian life," Lee said.

In Lee's mind, if there is an aspect that has changed — even if it is slightly — it is "family aspect." When 250 students walked the hall, he said, it was much easier knowing all the kids' names. With a roster greater than 1,200, he said, "it is not anything close to what it was." Evidence of MCS' growth can also be seen in the number of seniors walking the stage at graduation. Between 1981and 2000, the average number was between 40 and 50, he said. That number has increased to between 90 and 100 during the last 12 years, he said.

"Overall, the family environment is still there," Lee said, "but it is not as strong as it was."



Eddie and Carol Lee, photographed Monday, stand outside the newly named student life center on Midland Christian campus.

Event today

Eddie and Carol Lee will be celebrated at an event planned for 2-4 p.m. today at the Student Life Center at Midland Christian School.

FAMILY IS PART OF MCS TRADITION

Byron Myers, a former MCS student and the high school principal, remembers Lee the teacher — "the fastest chalk in the West" — as he was known because he was fast putting problems on the board. Myers came back to Midland Christian after college and will finish his 28th year working under Lee (the last 12 as the high school principal). About a quarter of school's 80 faculty members are MCS graduates, Lee said.

MCS attendance rolls have been full of siblings over the years. All of Brown's five children attended MCS, and the third and fourth children — his twin son and daughter — will graduate this month.

For Myers, the family experience includes walking the halls these days as an administrator alongside

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Man of many hats leaves behind large legacy at MCS

■ COMMENTARY

By Allison Brown

Brown

My earliest memory of Eddie Lee is somewhat of a stop-motion slideshow of him wearing a lot of hats. Quite literally, the man has a sprawling collection of weird, silly, goofy hats (think Goofy, friend of Mickey Mouse; a Viking helmet; Cat in the Hat; you get the idea).

For one week every year, he would bring out his collection of hats in front of his entire student body, pick one out of the box to wear and would host afternoon rallies encouraging us to sell more magazines to raise money for the school. He would then lead us in in the strangest version of a school-aged game show you could think of. We would all scream and lose our minds over a hyper-localized currency we Mustangs called Weepuls. Each afternoon, we would walk out of that gymnasium determined to convince our grandmothers to buy even more magazine subscriptions than the previous year, because we wanted nothing more than Mr. Lee to call us to the front of the gym to join in the fun.

If you attended Midland Christian School in the last two decades, I would bet money you know exactly what I'm talking about. Thinking back, I don't know what the hats had to do with selling magazines, and I sure don't understand how the man pulled off hosting multiple full-blown rallies for a school fundraiser. But when I think of Mr. Lee, I see him standing in front of his entire school in a ridiculous hat, smiling and asking us what the good word is.

(The man has garnered somewhat of a cult following, I'd say. In fact, my senior year of high school, I asked if I could start a newspaper column called "Ask Eddie," except instead of sending him the actual questions to get his answers, my fellow editor and I wrote and responded to all of the questions on his behalf because somehow that'd be funnier. Additionally, this year, my siblings made T-shirts for their senior class with his face on it.)

Thinking back on my time at MCS, I flip through other memories and see Mr. Lee standing in front of all the students, sticking laminated Scriptures on the wall of the Thomason Gym during chapel. I hear him saying the Pledge of Allegiance and leading prayers. I see him picking up trash after home football games and driving the bus for a local nonprofit summer camp. I have seen him hand out diplomas to family and friends, and I watched him receive an honorary doctorate from Abilene Christian University during my college graduation last year.

I find it to be an increasingly rare person who both leads well and is loved by many. And rarer still is the person who picks a place of work and stays there for the long haul. But that goes to show you the man Eddie Lee is. He came to a small school in Midland with a passion for Christian education for young people and he never let go of that vision. He wore the hats that needed wearing, and even the ones that some might say were silly. He stayed, he grew, he built — through faith and utmost dedication — a place that so many hold dear.

As he hangs up one hat and moves on to find his next one, he leaves behind a lot of empty spaces on the metaphorical coat rack of the halls of Midland Christian.

Allison Brown is a 2013 graduate of MCS and a 2017 graduate of Abilene Christian University. She is pursuing a master's in publishing from Oxford Brookes University in Oxford, England.

Important dates in history of Midland Christian School

■ August 1975 — Midland Christian included grades pre-school through ninth grade, 245 students.

Two small classroom buildings and a gymnasium/cafeteria/classroom facility.

Eddie Lee hired as a science teacher and also drives an early-morning bus route and coaches sixth-grade basketball. Salary — $7,800.

■ August 1977 — Carol and Eddie Lee married.

Carol hired to work half-day in office and half-day in day care.

■ August 1978 — Carol teaches half-day kindergarten and works half-day in day care.

■ May 1980 — Carol resigns to stay home with her newborn son, Jared.

Eddie is named high school principal.

■ August 1981 — first varsity six-man football team.

■ May 1981 — First senior class graduates from MCS

■ March 1982 — New high school building and Thomason Gym completed.

■ July 1985 — Eddie becomes superintendent.

■ August 1985 — Carol begins work in the development office on a part-time basis.

■ March 1987 — First auction held at ClayDesta.

Student enrollment is 308.

■ August 1987 — Carol becomes full-time development director.

■ October 1988 — Midland Christian is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Trial with the FDIC; the judge rules against the school.

■ February 1989 — Accredited by NCSA

■ September 1989 — Appeals court rules in favor of MCS in FDIC case. (The board members were not individually responsible for the note at First National Bank.)

■ September 1991 — The FDIC holds an auction for the school's campus on the courthouse steps. No one bids. Shortly after this, the FDIC accepts offer of $800,000 for the note.

■ July 1995 — Paul West completes a classroom building — Sharing the Dream Campaign.

■ October 1998 - Gary Glasscock completes the new elementary building — Sharing the Blessing Campaign.

■ March 1999 — Gary Glasscock completes the new gymnasium.

■ July 1999 — Gary Wilson completes the new fieldhouse.

■ July 2004 — Jared and Stephanie Lee are hired to teach science and history.

■ September. 2004 - 50th anniversary campaign begins — Praise and Promise Campaign to retire debt on new elementary and gym and initiate an MCS Foundation.

■ November 2004 — Jack McGraw passes away.

■ March 2005 — Thane Akins passes away.

■ January 2006 — Jared Lee is named junior high principal.

Byron Myers is named high school principal.

■ March 2006 — Auction raises $100,000.

■ November 2006 — Magazine sales go over $200,000.

■ November 2007 — 50th anniversary celebration. $8.1 million raised in the Praise and Promise Campaign.

Note-burning ceremony to pay off all debt.

The MCS Foundation is created.

The game gym is named the Jack and Wanda McGraw Event Center.

■ April 2008 — Football field is revitalized with new turf, new bleachers and new lights.

■ September 2009 — Purchased the last house on Culver and asked the city to close Culver.

■ January 2010 — There are neighborhood meeting and city council meetings.

■ August 2010 — Imagine Campaign is kicked off.

■ January 2011 - $24,000,000 pledged for Imagine Campaign.

■ May 2011 — Groundbreaking for new high school building.

■ August 2011 — Enrollment hits 1,242 — record.

Parking Lots on Northrup are completed.

Jared Lee is hired as academic dean.

■ March 2012 — Mustang Run raises over $200,000.

■ July 2012— The junior high building is remodeled to become the John Connor Brown Early Childhood Building.

■ October 2012 —Dale and Rita Brown Secondary Building is opened.

■ May 2013 — Old day care and preschool buildings are torn down and portables removed.

■ May 2015 — Campaign begins to build new Student Life Center; pledges are $6.3 million.

■ June 2015 — Old cafeteria/gymnasium are torn down. (This was the last structure that remained from when Eddie Lee began.)

■ August — 2015 — New football entry, concession, restrooms, spirit store are completed.

■ March 2016 — Opening of new Eddie and Carol Lee Student Life Center.

■ March 2018 — Auction raises a record $288,000.

Source: Midland Christian School

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Eddie Lee leads Midland Christian students Monday during morning prayer and reflection.

LEES

From 1E

his brother, Dale Myers, the school's director of technology.

"It has been a neat experience (going to school here and then coming back to work at MCS)," Myers said. "He was a teacher for me, a coach, my principal. Then working for him, it took a little adjustment — student to colleague … It has been a neat relationship."

And the Lees have taken the family atmosphere to a new level. Carol and Eddie married in 1977, and the next school year she was working at MCS — a half day in the office and a half day in the day care. Over the years, her role expanded to part-time kindergarten teacher and then part-time employee in the development office. In 1987, Carol was named development director. She will continue to be responsible for the school's annual auction.

"Eddie's and Carol's legacy is they built a strong foundation," their son said. "People will look back at their work in 15 or 20 years and say they propelled the school to what it is today."

MRT file photo

Jared Lee looks over his father's shoulder, Eddie Lee, Sept. 4, 2012, at Midland Christian. Jared Lee returned to MCS as academic dean for the school.

THE LEE LEGACY WILL CARRY ON

When Jared was a senior, his classmates voted him most likely to return.

"I was so mad when they did that," Jared Lee said, "but I knew in the back of my mind, that's about right."

The son of Eddie and Carol Lee knew how "the sausage was made" when it came to running MCS. He told the Reporter-Telegram last week that as a student, he and his sister would argue about who was going to take over for their father.

"When (Eddie) heard that conversion, he corrected us about it really quickly," Jared Lee said.

But when the 2018-19 school year opens, it will be Jared who will take over as the next MCS superintendent. Is it destiny? He said he "wished against it, but it feels like it is true." But many things point to destiny playing a role.

Jared said at Abilene Christian he was having a hard time picking a major when his dad encouraged him to consider education. After returning to MCS and earning his master's from the University of Texas of the Permian Basin, Jared gained experience at Brentwood Christian in Austin and Westbury in Houston. Then five years ago, Eddie Lee told the board of his decision to step down from the position when he turned 65. The board then talked with Jared about coming home. Brown calls Jared "imminently qualified."

Eddie Lee said of the decision, "When he worked on his graduate degree, I thought it would be cool if he could take my place. God worked it all out."

But the father's true validation of the selection of his son might be his hands-off approach to his son coming in. The baton passing from "Mr. Lee" to "Dean Lee" might be most evident in the younger Lee's push for greater standards for academics and arts. That was the task, he admits.

"It is not that we want to be a prep school or elite," Jared said. "We believe wholeheartedly that it is the whole child. We also recognize there was a significant sub group of kids that were not getting the training where their skill lies (in areas like band and choir)."

Jared brought his experience gained beyond the wall of MCS, and his father provided the mentorship expected. Brown called the last few years "one of the most beautiful transfers of power I have seen in school or business."

"I fear some people say (the selection) was nepotism or you have it handed to you and didn't work for it," Jared said.

"I hope that wouldn't be the case. I feel it has been a lot of work. There has to be something said about walking in his footsteps and seeing what he accomplished. It is tough work, but he always acknowledged the blessing."

A CELEBRATION OF A CAREER

There will be a celebration for Eddie and Carol Lee from 2-4 p.m. today at the school's Student Life Center that bears their names. It will be an opportunity for those in the community they have impacted to offer a thank you. It could be some of the 1,915 graduates of MCS over the years. Or those who have given their resources to support the vision of the Lees and the MCS board.

Whatever the case, there is no denying Eddie Lee's impact on education at MCS, inside Midland city limits and beyond. Brown talks about Lee's dedication to the Christian education as Lee traveled across the country helping in the accrediting of institutions.

"He is one of my heroes," Brown said. "He is an amazing man."

For Lee, there is a future at MCS. He will occupy a role as chancellor, which will likely require his involvement as a fundraiser. The role will give him all the time he desires to take care of the school's bus fleet. Lee has driven a bus from his first days at MCS. Even late last month, he drove the bus as the band participated in a competition in a different part of the state. He estimates he drives a team or student group somewhere every two or three weeks.

"I don't know people know how much he does care," Jared said. "I remember as a kid any time he had a difficult disciplinary situation or had to tell a teacher to find another job or when we would lose a football game to a good team, I remember him just grieving. He kept emotions close to the vest, but it showed. At times, I felt jealous of the school in a way. He was a fantastic dad to me and my sister. Still, there were twinges of jealousy of his grieving and sorrow for his teachers and kids … It was never just a job."

There will be school leaders like Myers, who said they never saw this day coming. There will be others like Brown, who said Eddie Lee was a servant and fulfilled the mission with a "servant's heart."

"What can you see about a man and a wife who have devoted their lives to this," Jared said. "Go to Atlanta Christian and they have presidents who are immortalized about their focus and their drive to the mission. They are devoted to their jobs; school is their life. That is what they will say about Eddie. He breathed life into this organization. He was in the weeds and pulling the weeds. He was making the place the place it is today — the heritage, the financial foundation (borrowing money to pay teacher salaries). Ours was a vision board who loved the place and they could not have gotten a better person for the hot seat. Eddie said this is God's school and he will provide. Eddie pushes that in all of us."

OUT&ABOUT

by Julie Donnelly

CHAPARRAL CAR

Hudson Jones, left, and Adam Jones

CHAPARRAL 2F IS TAKEN OUT FOR A SPIN

It was quite a treat for car enthusiasts at the Petroleum Museum when the Chaparral 2F was hauled off the museum floor and taken for a spin around the front circle of the building. The event took place as part of the "Chaparral Live Drive" events the museum hosts to ensure the Chaparral Gallery cars stay in top condition.

Those in attendance got to hear the engine roar as it sat on the loading dock, while Keith Doucet and Bob Price listened and tinkered with it until it was approved to drive. Jim Edwards then took control of the wheel, drove it in a circular direction several times and turned the 2F around and drove it in the opposite direction.

The car was designed by Jim Hall and built to compete in the 1967 World Manufacturer's Championship series. It won the "race of the season," the COAC 500, in Brand's Hatch, England.

For more information about upcoming "Live Drives," visit petroleummuseum.org.

MCS STAGES DISNEY'S 'HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL'

Students at Midland Christian School recently presented Disney's "High School Musical On Stage" at the McGraw Event Center. After months of rehearsals, theater students gave two performances.

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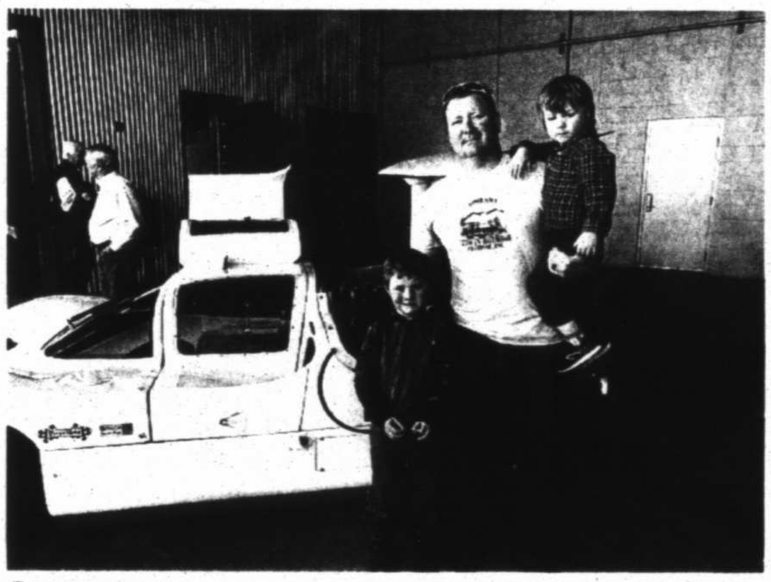

CHAPARRAL CAR

Caleb Laub, from left, Josh Laub and Dylan Laub

CHAPARRAL CAR

Bob Price, left, and Keith Doucet

CHAPARRAL CAR

Jim Edwards

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Ruth and Ernest Anderson

MCS MUSICAL

Luke Fisher, from left, Christopher Cochran, Will Bundy, Zane Richardson, Logan Whiteman and Logan Cook

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Joe Jung, Trinity Salcedo and Ember Rydell

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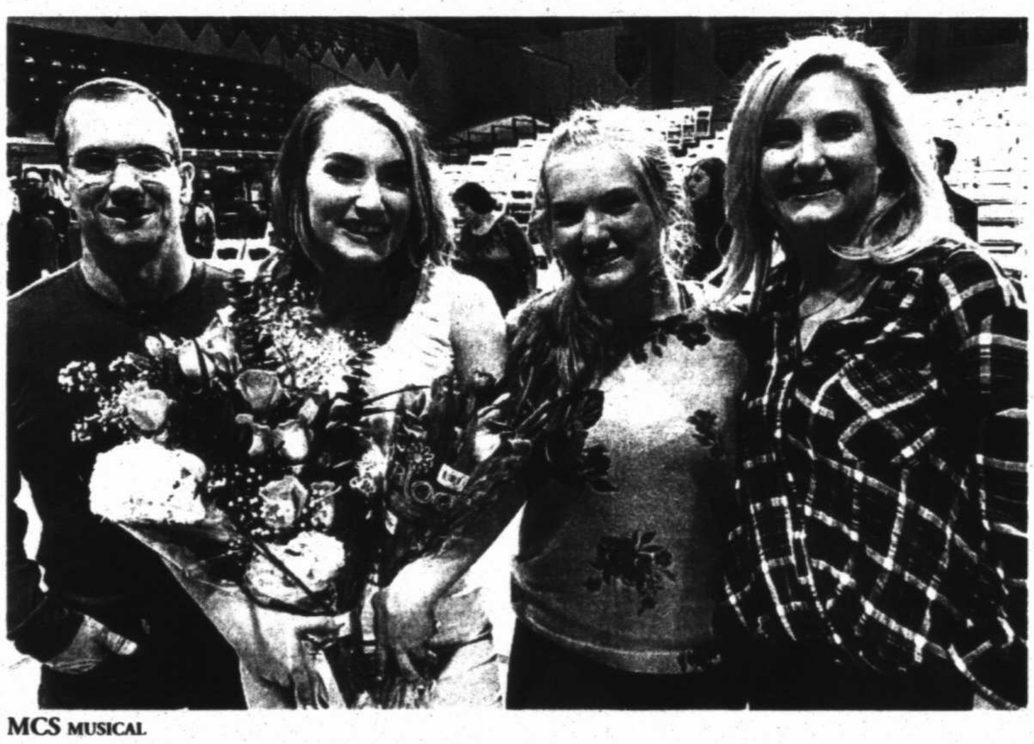
Harrison Reynolds, left, and Samuel Culpepper



MCS MUSICAL

Joel Hughes, from left, Lauren Hughes, Lexie Hughes and Nikki Hughes

MCS MUSICAL

Emory Goldapp, from left, Tia Tompkins and Katy Wall

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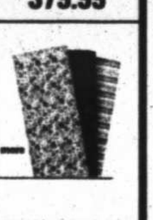

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CALENDAR

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MAY 6-12

TODAY

The Black/Gold Car Show will include children's activities, food and cash-only bar. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at Pueblo Viejo, 104 S. Terrell St.

Fiesta West Texas will feature Lucha Libre Mexicana, Sea Lion Splash, Nerger's Tigers, the Human Rocket Man, XMetal Riders, the Fiesta Car Show and the Miss Chiquitita Pageant. Tejano Night features Perdidos de Sinaloa, La Energia Nortena, Fiera de Ojinaga, Geru y su Legion, El Nuevo Corcel. Noon at Ector County Coliseum, 4201 Andrews Highway, Odessa. $15. myfiestawesttexas.com.

MONDAY

Open Shop Nights are hosted by the Midland Gem and Mineral Society and open to the public. Visitors can watch members cut rock and work on lapidary projects. 6:30-9 p.m. Mondays at 602 S. Main St. midlandgemandmineral.org.

Bridge game play, 6:45 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays; 1 p.m. Tuesdays; 10:30 a.m. Saturdays; 1:30 p.m. Sundays. Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. $6. For more information call 682-8595.

Watercolor Workshop with Ken Roland. Class will cover color mixing, design and application for all levels. 6-8:30 p.m. Monday-Wednesday at Midland Palette Club, 907 W. Wadley Ave. paletteclubmidland.com.

Midland Community Band's weekly meeting and rehearsal at Midland College Fine Arts Building Band Hall. 7-9 p.m. New members welcome and some instruments are available for use at the college. Contact 553-0632 for more information.

TUESDAY

Palette Club Painting, 9 a.m.to noon, Tuesdays at the Palette Club, 907 W. Wadley Ave. paletteclubmidland.com.

Watercolor art classes by Sara Drescher. The class is for all levels. 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at Arts Council of Midland, 1506 W. Illinois Ave. acmidland.org.

"The Boxcar Children: Surprise Island." 4 p.m. at Tall City Stadium 14, 4915 SW Loop 250. $13.50. fathomevents.com.

Four to Sixer Mixer by Visit Midland. 4-6 p.m. at George W. Bush Childhood Home, 1412 W. Ohio Ave. visitmidlandtexas.com.

Midland Quilters Guild: "My Scrappy World" with Allison Bayer. 6:30 p.m. at Alamo Heights Baptist Church, 1305 N. Midland Drive. Free. midlandquiltersguild.com.

Permian Basin Dance Club with live country music, 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Crown Royal Club, 1110 E. Scharbauer Drive. $6. For more information, call 638-3707 or 250-8215.

Crossing the Line: West Texas Line Dancing weekly meeting. 7:30-9 p.m. at MLK Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane. Classes are free but there is a $1 center entry fee. 713-876-9097. bbberesik@gmail.com. meetup.com/CrossingTheLineWestTexas.

WEDNESDAY

Story Time, 9:30 a.m. for ages up to 2 years; 10:30 a.m. for ages 2-6 at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch.

Midland Quilters Guild: Scrap Users System Workshop with Allison Bayers. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday at Alamo Heights Baptist Church, 1305 N. Midland Drive. $70. To register, call 432-687-2307 or email cinpetric@gmail.com. midlandquiltersguild.com.

Shooter Jennings, 7 p.m. at Rolling 7s Ranch Event Center, 11700 W. County Road 122, Odessa $15 advance, $20 door. R7rec.com.

THURSDAY

West Texas Dance Club with live country music, 7:30-10 p.m. at 208 W. VFW Way in Odessa. 697-0281 or 631-6125.

FRIDAY

Clay Bustin' Beats benefiting the Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale and hosted by the Symphony Young Professionals.9 a.m.-noon at Jake's Clays, 13301 Farm-to-Market Road 1379. $175 per shooter, $50 per two-man cart. MOSC.org.

Night Market. 6:30-10:30 p.m. at The Urban Market, 312 N. Colorado Ave.

"The Insect that Shaped the Frontier" with Jeffrey Lockwood. 7-8:30 p.m. May 11 at Sibley Nature Center, 1307 E. Wadley Ave. Free. sibleynaturecenter.org.

"No Business Like It." The McLaren Comedy Festival-winning play runs through May 19. 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays at Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. $28. mctmidland.org.

Casey Donahew Band, 9 pm. at Dos Amigos, 4700 N. Golder Ave., Odessa. $20 advance. $25 door. dosamigos.com.

SATURDAY

Midland Downtown Farmers Market is in its 11th season. The market will include live music and food trucks onsite. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturdays at Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave.

Nature Writing Workshop: "The Insect that Shaped the Frontier" with Jeffrey Lockwood. Lunch provided. Noon-3 p.m. at Sibley Nature Center, 1307 E. Wadley Ave. $30 members, $40 nonmembers. sibleynaturecenter.org.

Family Free-For-All will feature a reception for artist Nancy Macko. Guests can enjoy refreshments and learn about bees and conservation in conjunction with "The Fragile Bee" exhibition. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. museumsw.org.

"Tips and Tricks for doing Genealogy Research in Ancestry, FamilySearch and on the Web" with Sarah Ross Kelliher. 10:30 a.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. Facebook: @midlandtxgenealogocialsociety.

Business of Art Lecture Series: The series will feature artist Nancy Macko discussing her exhibition "The Fragile Bee." 1 p.m. at Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. museumsw.org.

Beer Garden Brewstival by Midland Beer Garden and the Midland Rock-Hounds. 3-11 p.m. at Security Bank Ballpark, 5515 Champions Drive. $35. midlandrockhounds.org.

Runway in the Gardens fashion show. 3-5:30 p.m. at Alldredge Gardens, 3300 N. Fairgrounds Road. $25. thepinkpugshop.com.

Basin Bikefest features bicycle rides, a bike parade, painting zoo, games, refreshments and more. The event benefits Midland Children's Rehabilitation Center. Register online. 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at MCRC, 802 Ventura Ave. $10-$15. midlandchildrens.org.

ON DISPLAY

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MAY 6-12

OPENING: Artist of the Quarter featuring works by Carol Fairlie of Alpine. Opens Tuesday with a reception at 6 p.m. and runs through June 30. Hours are 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturdays at Sibley Nature Center, 1307 E. Wadley Ave. sibleynaturecenter.org.

"Somehow, I Don't Feel Comfortable" is an installation by Momoyo Torimitsu of two giant, smiling pink bunnies facing off and pitching forward within a confined space. Through May 20. Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays (open to 8 p.m. Thursdays), 2-5 p.m. Sundays. At the Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. Free. noelartmuseum.org.

New: Visions 2018: "An Eastern Interpretation of Western Art." The series by the Arts Council of Midland hosts works by Lubbock artist Bo Tan through June 10 at Arts Council of Midland, 1506 W. Illinois Ave.

"The Fragile Bee" is an exhibition of artwork by Nancy Macko comprised of photographs, prints and mixed media installation. Through July 8. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. from Tuesday through Saturday, and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. At the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. museumsw.org.

Spring art exhibit features works by the Midland Arts Association, Palette Club of Midland and Sibley Camera Club at The Gallery at Midland Shared Spaces, 3500 N. "A" St.

"Modern Frescos: Ali Cavanaugh." The exhibition runs through May 13. Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays (open to 8 p.m. Thursdays), 2-5 p.m. Sundays. At the Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. Free. noelartmuseum.org.

"Captured by Detail: Camille Engel." The exhibition runs through May 20. Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays (open to 8 p.m. Thursdays), 2-5 p.m. Sundays. At the Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. Free. noelartmuseum.org.

Blakemore Planetarium at the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Dome shows Tuesdays-Saturdays. Closed Sunday and Monday. museumsw.org.

George Bush Childhood Home. Tours and gift shop hours are 2-5 p.m. Sundays and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturdays. Admission charged. 1412 W. Ohio Ave. 685-1112.

Midland Army Airfield Museum. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturdays. 9600 Wright Drive. Free admission. highskywing.org.

Midland County Historical Society's Z Taylor Brown-Sara Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland. Open by appointment. 213 N. Weatherford St. 682-5447.

Options Gallery, Odessa College, 201 W. University Blvd. Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Friday 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday 2-5 p.m. Free. 335-6640. odessa.edu.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, 1500 Interstate 20 West. Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday 2-5 p.m. 683-4403. pbpetro.org.

Scarborough-Linebery House, 802 S. Main St. Call for appointment. Available for rental for weddings and special occasions. 685-7368. midland-texas.gov.

Churchgoer seeks strength against temptation

DEAR ABBY

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

DEAR ABBY: I am a happily married man. I'm also a part of my church's worship team and am at the church three times a week. Two ladies are active in the church almost as much as I am. Every time I'm there it's a good bet I'll see at least one of them.

I'm ashamed to admit this, but I have lustful feelings for them. I would never act on my feelings, but I would like to get rid of them. Leaving the church is not an option. — EMBARRASSED IN KANSAS

DEAR EMBARRASSED: You seem like a very nice person. Lust is part of the human condition.

It has been around since before the Old Testament was written. Instead of feeling guilty, perhaps it's time to accept that you are human.

Rather than quietly suffer embarrassment, it may help to discuss your feelings privately with your clergyperson. It won't be the first time he or she has heard something like this, trust me. Sometimes simply verbalizing uncomfortable feelings can make them diminish or go away entirely.

DEAR ABBY: A coworker reached out to me, and we started talking. He asked me on a date, and we've been official for about a month now. He's beyond amazing, but there's a problem. He can't express his feelings to me, or to anyone for that matter. He's very insecure because he used to be overweight.

He hasn't been in a relationship in forever. I know he's serious about us. I'm slowly falling for him, and I want it to work out. Is there anything I can do to help him get comfortable with opening up to me? — FALLING FOR HIM

DEAR FALLING: Yes. Start by remembering the two of you have been "official" for only one month, and relationships — like trust — have to evolve. Do not push him to make a commitment or declare his undying love. If you are patient, as your relationship develops, he may become more open about expressing his feelings to you. Give him time, and because workplace romances are sometimes frowned upon, give him space.

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I will celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary this year. What is typical or acceptable in preparing for the celebration?

We have a 48-year-old son who has never remembered dates, especially our wedding anniversary, so I don't expect that he'll plan anything in our honor. I love my wife so much I just can't let our 50th slide by without a celebration. Would it be appropriate for me to take the lead? I feel weird setting up a party to honor myself. — SAD IN COLORADO

DEAR SAD: It is not uncommon for couples to plan and host their own anniversary parties. If you would like to celebrate your 50th surrounded by friends and family, you are free to take the initiative and do so. Or spend the money taking your bride on a cruise or other trip of a lifetime.

BRIDGE RESULTS

PERMIAN BRIDGE CLUB

APRIL 23

Les Neal-David Hudson, Dorothy Brenneman-Kay Sewell, Linda Scarpelli-Greg Keys, Betty Moore-Linda Buzan, Lonnie Yee-Linda McDonald

APRIL 24

Tommie Strack-Paula Baggett, James Hawkins-Bob Bacon, Ricki Perry-Buzan, Marlene Blumentritt-Janet Stoltz, Patti Heard-Kay Arrell

APRIL 25

Bacon-Hawkins, Heard-Blumentritt, Keys-Hudson, Neal-Scarpelli, Marty Massie-Buzan

APRIL 26

Stewart Doreen-Ann Servatius, Dianne Anderson-Blumentritt, Helen Davis-Brenda Leonard, Phyllis Maxwell-Georgia Temple, Debbie Conner-Sandy Hill, Linda McDonald-Linda Farrar

Scarpelli-Keys, Mike Schlueter-Moore, Dorothy Blair-Bill Brooks, Audie Brooks-Nancy Braskett

Overall:Scarpelli-Keys, Schlueter-Moore, Doreen-Servatius, Anderson-Blumentritt, Davis-Leonard, Blair-B. Brooks, Braskett-A. Brooks, Maxwell-Temple, Donner-Hill, McDonald-Farrar

APRIL 27

Betty Dickerson-K.C. Evans, Flo Curry-Blumentritt, Bacon-Hawkins, Baggett-Ann Smith, Ricki Perry-Heard, Arrell-Strack, Buzan-Moore

APRIL 29

Bacon-Servatius, Arrell-Blumentritt, Curry-Evans, Scott Vaughan-Baggett, Debra Jones-Heard, B. Brooks-Buzan

GOREN BRIDGE

With Bob Jones

Percentages

North-South vulnerable, South deals

NORTH
♠ A 10 9
♡ 6 5 4 2
◇ A K Q J
♣ A 2

WEST
♠ 7
♡ K Q J 10 8
◇ 9 3
♣ Q J 10 9 5

EAST
♠ J 8 5 2
♡ 3
◇ 10 7 6 2
♣ 8 7 6 4

SOUTH
♠ K Q 6 4 3
♡ A 9 7
◇ 8 5 4
♣ K 3

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♠	2♣*	3♡**	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♠	Pass
4♡	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♠	Pass	6♠	All pass

*Hearts and a minor, at least 5-5
**Spade fit, invitational or better

Opening lead: King of ♡

South showed a minimum with his three spade bid. When North started looking for slam anyway, South was happy to co-operate by cue bidding his ace of hearts. North-South were using Key Card Blackwood and South's five spade response showed two "key cards," among the four aces and the king of trumps, plus the queen of trumps. The resulting slam contract was a good one, needing only to bring the spade suit in for five winners.

South won the opening heart lead with his ace and crossed to dummy with the ace of spades. The 10 of spades was led and the moment of truth had arrived. Should declarer take the finesse or try to drop the jack? The percentage play with this combination is to play for the spades to split 3-2. South, however, had some additional information.

West was known to be at least 5-5 in hearts and a minor, probably clubs. He had at most three cards in spades and diamonds and he had already shown up with a spade. North-South held a combined eight spades and seven diamonds, so there was a slight edge that West was more likely to have a singleton spade rather than a singleton diamond.

Also, West might well have led a singleton diamond if he had one. That would have been the winning lead had East held either the ace of spades or the ace of diamonds. After long deliberation, South ran the 10 of spades and had his contract. Nice play!

Cola makes a great cleaner, rust and gum remover

HINTS FROM HELOISE
King Features Syndicate

Dear Heloise: Many people enjoy a cola drink because it's refreshing, but did you know that it has other uses as well?

■ Pour a bottle or can of cola in your toilet, wait one hour, then scrub and flush.

■ Dog get sprayed by a skunk? Pour a cola drink over the affected area; the cola will lessen the odor.

■ Gum stuck in your child's hair? Pour some cola on the gum, wait a short while, and it'll be easier to remove the gum.

■ Got rusty tools? Place them in a plastic pan and cover with a cola drink. Wait about an hour, then remove, and the rust will be loosened and easily can be removed from the object. — Jordan L., Kenosha, Wis.

SOMETHING'S FISHY

Dear Heloise: I love to cook fish, and it's healthy, but handling and cleaning the fish leaves a smell on my hands that I don't really like. Even washing doesn't seem to help completely. I either use half a lemon or I rub fresh rosemary from my garden on my hands. The smell is gone! — Laura P., Kingston, R.I.

WAR CAKE

Dear Heloise: You had a recipe for War Cake that my mother loved. Since she is coming to my home to celebrate her 90th birthday, I'd like to make it for her, but I don't have the recipe. Would you reprint that for me? — Tricia W., Bartlesville, Okla.

Tricia, I'd be happy to reprint that for you and your mother. And give a big "Happy Birthday" to your mother from Heloise:

War Cake

Using a medium- to large-size cooking pot or pan, mix together 2 cups brown sugar, 2 cups hot water and 2 teaspoons shortening. Add 1/2 to 3/4 cup of raisins and 1 teaspoon each of salt, cinnamon and cloves. Boil for 5 minutes after the mixture begins to bubble. When the mixture is cold (and it must be cold), add 3 cups flour and 1 teaspoon baking soda that has been dissolved in a couple of teaspoons of hot water. Mix well.

Pour into a greased pan and bake for about 1 hour at 350-375 degrees.

This easy-to-make cake is found with other yummy recipes in my pamphlet Heloise's Cake Recipes. To order one, send $3, along with a stamped (71 cents), self-addressed, long envelope, to: Heloise/Cakes, P.O. Box 795001, San Antonio, TX 78279-5001. Or you can order it online at www.Heloise.com. —

A homemade cake is always welcomed by your family and friends, or at just about any social gathering. —Heloise

NON-RUBBERY GELATIN

Dear Heloise: Why is my gelatin rubbery on the bottom? — Frances T., Norcross, Ga.

Frances, it's likely due to not dissolving the powdered gelatin enough. Keep stirring the gelatin in very hot water before you add the cold water, and add a capful of lemon juice or vinegar to the mix. This will help with avoiding that rubbery bottom. — Heloise

The Great Plains species is a true Texas toad

MICHAEL PRICE
Wild About Texas

The Great Plains toad (*Anaxyrus {Bufo} cognatus*) is one of nine species of "true" toads that are found in Texas. It can be observed throughout two main eco-regions in Texas: the plains of the Panhandle region and the arid landscape of the Trans-Pecos. It also lives in Oklahoma and New Mexico, westward to California and as far south as the state of Queretaro, Mexico.

As the natural range indicates, this toad's preferred habitat is prairies and grasslands, although it can also thrive in open range, mesquite-filled pastures and creosote flats. Manmade irrigation appears to be a key component in the Great Plains toad's habitat. Basically, this species can live anywhere where it can bury itself deep enough to escape the heat and drought conditions.

The Great Plains toad is a robust amphibian that has dry, wart-covered skin. It is one of the largest toads that inhabit this state; adult females (the larger sex) attaining a total body length of almost 4 inches. The background coloration can vary from any shade of brown to olive-brown to olive gray. Usually, although not always, it has a pair of distinctly bordered darker green blotches that run lengthwise along the back. More often than not, there is also a distinct white stripe that runs along the spine. Juvenile specimens will occasionally have small, reddish-colored bumps along the back, as well. The belly coloration is off-white to gray in coloration but there aren't any dark spots, unlike some other species of toads that occur in the same areas. The paratoid glands are the large "bumps" immediately behind each eye, and in this species, they are oval in appearance. It is also the only species in Texas where the cranial crests converge into a "v" shape near the snout. Each toe on the hind feet ends in a sharp black point, and there are two sharp tubercles on each hind foot. The innermost tubercle is crescent-shaped.

Great Plains toads, like other amphibian species, live a dual-life. In fact, the word amphibian means "double-life." When the spring and summer rains begin, males of this species will congregate at shallow pools to begin to attract a mate. This attraction consists of calling in short, high-pitched, trill-like bursts. When just one or two males are calling, the noise is nothing more than background noise. However when a large group begins to call in a chorus, the noise can be deafening.

Once a male successfully attracts a mate, they engage in the process of externally fertilizing the eggs. This process is known as amplexus. During this time, a male will wrap his forelegs around a receptive female, and as she lays her eggs, he will fertilize each individual one as it exits the female's body. A tremendous number of eggs may be laid each breeding session; nearly 20,000 at one time being reported. The number of sessions may vary from two to three annually to once every two to three years. Breeding is all based upon sufficient rainfall, because the eggs are often laid in shallow, non-permanent pools of water that dry up after just a few hot, sunny days.

The life cycle of the Great Plains toad continues as the fertilized eggs hatch into tiny, dark tadpoles. These tadpoles are often referred to as "pollywogs." They are fish-like in appearance, and they obtain their oxygen from the water through gills. Within a day or two after hatching, they begin a miraculous metamorphosis where their lungs begin to develop and back legs begin to form on their bodies. Within the next day or two, front legs begin to appear, the tail begins to shrink, the lungs continue to develop, and the back legs become larger. This process continues for about a week after hatching. When the tiny toadlets have completed their change, they look like tiny replicas of the adults, thus beginning their "second" life.

This species is highly nocturnal, and it feeds on large amounts of insects when moisture levels are at a sufficient level to prevent desiccation; therefore they are beneficial to agriculturally based ventures such as crops or gardens.

Many myths surround toads. The most common tale is the notion that people can get warts by handling toads. This is not true, of course. The secretions that are present when a toad is handled are either the poison from the paratoid glands, or the frightened animal's urine. The poison of the Great Plains toad is not harmful to humans, but it can cause animals such as dogs or cats to froth at the mouth.

So the next time you see a Great Plains Toad, fear not, for you do not have to run to your local drugstore to buy anti-wart cream. Hot soap and water or hand-sanitizer will do just fine.

Ben Garver /The Berkshire Eagle via AP

A bumble bee approaches cherry blossoms Thursday on North Street in Pittsfield, Mass.

Gardeners are flying insect targets

KAREN MILLER
Permian Basin Master Gardener

Gardeners put ourselves in harm's way each time we do what we love. Bugs try to sting us. Some steal our blood and maybe even infect us with diseases. Does this sound a bit dramatic? OK, maybe.

Here are some tips on handling a few flying pests when out in the garden.

■ Bees and wasps

No one wants to be stung by a bee or wasp, and for those of you with bee sting allergies, one sting can be deadly. Bees and wasps sting mostly to defend themselves. It is important to make sure they do not feel threatened by you.

Bees and wasps can detect and follow strong scents, such as perfumes or colognes, so don't smell like a flower. Avoid wearing brightly colored clothing. Limit your outdoor clothing to light colors such as white, beige and khaki. Basically, don't look like a flower.

Bees and wasps are attracted to sugary foods and drinks, so if you snack while gardening, stay away from the sugary ones. Be sure to rinse empty soda and beer cans before tossing them in the garbage, and always use tight-fitting lids to cover the garbage can.

Don't panic when you see a bee or wasp. Stand still, take a deep breath and stay calm. The insect is just trying to figure out what you are. Once it realizes that you are not a flower, it will continue on its way.

■ Mosquitoes

These buggers can transmit many diseases, making it very important for gardeners and others to take every possible measure to avoid being bitten by this insect. Early morning and twilight seems to be prime time for mosquitoes to be active.

If mosquitoes are in your area, apply insect repellent to uncovered skin surfaces when outdoors. Because mosquitoes can bite through tight clothing with thin fabric, it is suggested that you wear loose fitting clothing when outdoors.

Mosquitoes lay eggs in standing water, so getting rid of any standing water will deter mosquitoes from laying their eggs. If you have small ponds or water gardens, there are mosquito dunks available to use to kill the mosquito larvae. Just drop one in and let it do the work.

As an added measure, remember to stay hydrated when outside and make sure you are current on your tetanus shot.

Shriveled pecans is sign of insects

JEFF FLOYD
Texas A&M Agrilife Extension

Spring is prime time to scout for pecan nut casebearer insect. Their larvae are deposited by a moth that causes injury to pecans.

The moths are identified by a dark stipe running across its wings and behind the head. The eggs are usually placed very close to young buds. Once they hatch, larvae enter the small pecan nutlets and destroy them.

Tress with shriveled pecans are a sure sign of casebearer injury.

Although they can have as many as four generations annually, it is the first generation that is most damaging to pecans. Subsequent generations are unable to penetrate the harder shell of mature nuts.

Sticky traps, baited with the female moths, can be used to scout for males. Once the traps catch males, the tree should be regularly inspected for new eggs.

Trees used for production should be treated shortly after the first generation of eggs are spotted. General rule of thumb is to begin control sprays once 10 percent of the inspected nut clusters have eggs on them. Both organic and traditional pesticide options are available to control casebearers.

Pecan trees used only for shade do not require treatment because the bug does not cause health problems for the trees. When a tree is overburdened with excessive nuts, the casebearer may offer some relief by reducing the load. Pecan wood is brittle and breaks easily under the weight of too many nuts.

To learn about current recommendations for controlling the pecan nut casebearer, contact the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service office at 432-686-4700 or email jeff.floyd@ag.tasmu.edu.

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SUNDAY MORNING — MAY 6, 2018

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		G	S	R	C	W	6 AM	6:30	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30
BROADCAST	KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	In Touch Ministries		GMA/Sunday		The Truth	House	Texas	This Week		Church	Paid	Paid
	KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Jewelry	Homeo. (N)	First Baptist Church		CBS Sunday Morning (N)			Face the Nation		Mission	First Baptist Odessa	
	KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Hunters	Hunters	Beakman	Beakman	Bill Nye	Bill Nye	SaveBell	SaveBell	SaveBell	SaveBell	BradyB.	BradyB.
	KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Paid	W.Minist	Insight	FaithAve	Fox News Sunday		Odessa	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
	KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Light of Southwest		Essentials	Mission	In Touch Ministries		On Wings	Messiah	Shepherd's Heart		Nueva Vida	
	KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Minute	Secrets	In Search	B&N Min.	Sunday Today (N)		Meet the Press (N)		Paid	Paid	Good T.	Paid
	KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Sesame	D.Tiger	PinkaPet	SplashB.	Sid	Cat	Jet Go!	Wild K.	O. Squad	Arthur	Cyberch.	Essentrics
	KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Pagado	Pagado	Programa pagado		Dr. Juan		Al punto		Aquí y ahora		Como dice el dicho	
	KOSA MNT	16	16		16		LatiNat.	Latino	Spaces	Homeo.	Green	Hazelton	PosPaula	Garden	First Baptist Church		Dog Challenge	
PREMIUM	FLIX	340	575		165		(5:05) Blue Chips		★★ Inside Man Denzel Washington.				(:15) ★★ Punch-Drunk Love				The Great Debe...	
	HBO	300	550	14	14		(4:55) Pearl Harbor		(:15) Paterno ('18, Doc/Dra) Riley Keough.				Boxing HBO After Dark				Making	Fight
	HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	(5:00) Elvis	(:40) Adam Sandler's Eight ...			★★ Bad Boys II ('03, Act) Will Smith, Martin Lawrence.					W.Cenac	W.Cenac	W.Cenac
	HBOS	304	552	16	102		(5:15) Dragonfly		★★ Hereafter ('10, Dra) Matt Damon.				(:15) ★★★ Seabiscuit ('03, Dra) Tobey Maguire.					Movie
	MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(:10) ★★ Dracula ('79, Hor) Frank Langella.		★★★ Dave Kevin Kline.					(:50) Hidden Figures ('16, Dra) Taraji P. Henson.				
	MAX2	382	558	18	122		(5:35) Drag Me to ...		(:15) ★★★★ The Verdict ('82, Dra) Paul Newman.					(:25) ★★★ Born on the Fourth of July				Movie
	PLEX			96			Movie	(:25) ★★★ MacArthur Gregory Peck.			(:40) Wyatt Earp's Revenge			(:15) ★★ Stagecoach					Movie
	SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	(5:45) The Whole Nine Yards		(:25) Operation Odessa				TheCircus	★★★★ Crimson Tide Gene Hackman.				TheCirc.
	TMC	336	573	22	155	26	(5:45) ★★ Clockstoppers		★ Middle School: The Worst ...				(:05) ★★★ My One and Only				The Light Betw...	
CABLE	A&E	27	58	28	35	47	Hoarders		Hoarders		Hoarders		Hoarders "Jan/ Bebe"		Hoarders		Hoarders	
	AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(:15) MASH	(:45) MASH	(:15) MASH	(:45) MASH	(:15) MASH	(:45) MASH	(:15) MASH	(:45) MASH	(:15) MASH	(:45) MASH	(:15) Lara Croft:...	
	BET	58	-		40		D. Grier	Showdown	Payne	Payne	Payne	Payne	Payne	Payne	Browns	Browns	Race	
	BRAVO	65	76		41		Southern Charm		Southern Charm		Southern Charm		Vanderpump Rules		Beverly Hills		Beverly Hills	
	CNBC	46	52		39	72	(5:30) Paid Program						EPL Soccer Arsenal at Burnley (L)				Paid Program	
	CNN	43	50	51	30	56	New Day Sunday		Inside Politics		State of the Union		Fareed Zakaria GPS		Reliable Sources		State of the Union	
	DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Sticker Shock		Local	Sportsmn	Countdown to XL (N)		Countdown to XL (N)		Countdown to XL (N)		••untdown to XL	
	DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Puppy	Vampirina	StuckMid.	Bizaard.	Gravity	DuckTal.	StuckMid.	StuckMid.	Bizaard.	Bizaard.	Raven's.	Raven's.
	ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		E:60 (L)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		PBA Bowling	
	ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	Bassmaster "Classic at Lake Hartwell"				SportsCenter (N)		E:60 (N)		Featured	NCAA Volleyball		Top Ten
	FNC	45	48	53	23	55	(5:00) FOX & Friends Sunday						Morning Futures		MediaBuzz		America's News HQ	
	FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Rules	Heart	Southern	Southern	Pioneer	Pioneer	Pioneer	Pioneer	Cooking	Giada	Barefoot	Barefoot
	FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	★★ The Perfect Man Hilary Duff.				(:05) ★★ Bring It On: All or Nothing				(:10) ★★★ 10 Things I Hate About You			
	FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	Paid	Thunder	Riders	Golf (N)	Paid	Paid	NCAA Softball Texas at Baylor				MLB Baseball	
	FX	31	56	59	64	69	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	★★★ Mission: Impossible - Ghost Protocol				
	HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	Love on the Slopes Katrina Bowden.				Eat, Play, Love (2017, Drama) Jen Lilley.				Bridal Wave ('15, Rom) Arielle Kebbel.			
	HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Property Brothers		Property Brothers		Property Brothers		Dream H.	Dream H.	Dream H.	Dream H.	Dream H.	Dream H.
	HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Top Gear "Rut's Show"		Top Gear		Counting Cars: Drive "Employee of the Year"						Pawn S.	Pawn S.
	LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	In Touch	Paid	Amazing	David Jer.	J.Osteen	Paid	Kidnapped: The Hannah Anderson Story				Girls' Night Out	
	MSNBC	47	53		49	73	News (N)	Business	PolticsNation (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		AM Joy (N)				MSNBC Live (N)	
	NBCSN	38	43				MatchDay	Leauge Live (L)		(:25) EPL Soccer Huddersfield vs Man. City (L)			Leauge Live (L)			(:25) EPL Soccer Liverp'l/Chels. (L)		
	NICK	55	-	39	34	37	ALVINNN	ALVINNN	P Ranger	Sponge	★★★★ Happy Feet Two Elijah Wood.				Sponge	Sponge	H.Danger	H.Danger
	SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Paid Program		Paid	Paid	E. Power	Off-Road	Truck Y.	D.Muscle	Bar Res.	(:25) Bar Rescue		BarRes.
	SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	Paid	Paid	Con Man (:15)		★★ Repo Men Jude Law.		(:15) ★★ Saw ('04, Hor) Cary Elwes, Leigh Whannell.				Movie	
	TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Queens	Queens	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Brooklyn	Brooklyn	Brooklyn	Brooklyn	★★ The A-Team	
	TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(5:00) Grand Hotel		★★★★ It Happened One Night				★★★ The Narrow Margin				★★★ I Married a Witch	
	TELE	20	-	10	20		Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Liga extra	EPL Fútbol Liverpool at Chelsea (L)			
	TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Trading Spaces		Long Island Medium	
	TNT	24	34	40	26	50	LawOrder "Exchange"		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order		Wrath of the Yl...	
	TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	(:10) Chris	(:50) G. Girls	(:25) The Golden Girls		G. Girls	(:25) G.Girls	(:10) G.Girls	(:50) G.Girls	(:25) The Golden Girls		G. Girls	G. Girls
	USA	26	55	42	27	49	Paid	T.Point	In Touch	J.Osteen	Unsolved		Colony "Maquis"		SVU "Philadelphia"		SVU "Spooked"	
	WGN	19	85				Lord	Creflo	Leading	Paid	★★★ Shrek 2 ('04, Ani) Mike Myers.				Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops

SUNDAY AFTERNOON — MAY 6, 2018

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		G	S	R	C	W	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
BROADCAST	KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Paid	Paid	Paid	TBA	Count	NBA Basketball Playoffs Golden State vs New Orleans (L)					News (N)	Paid
	KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	PBR Bull Riding		PGA Tour Special (N)		PGA Golf Wells Fargo Championship Site: Quail Hollow Club (L)						RawTrav.	News (N)
	KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	BradyB.	BradyB.	FactsLife	FactsLife	Strokes	Strokes	Mama'sF.	Mama'sF.	The Love Boat		The Love Boat	
	KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Stellar Gospel Music Awards				★★★ The Polar Express Tom Hanks.			Simpsons	Simpsons		Paid	Paid
	KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Shofar	Mani Erfan	Aleph	Creation	Light of Southwest		Light of Southwest		HaYesod	Hebrew	Jerusalem	Housecall
	KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Paid	Paid	Equestrian		NHL Hockey Stanley Cup Playoffs Boston vs Tampa Bay (L)						Inside Ed.	News (N)
	KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	W.L.Yoga	Battleg.	Martha	Martha	Chef's	Supper C	Baking "Bread"		Nova		News. (N)	Japan
	KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	★ Mi Chana, mi Juana Maria Elena Velasco.				Republica deportiva		Como dice el dicho		Al punto		Nacional	Noticiero
	KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Wonder	Bucket List	Green	Homes	Cars.TV	A.Athlete	Entertainers		Missing	Carrasco	TBA	TBA
PREMIUM	FLIX	340	575		165		(11:00) The Great ...		(:15) ★★ Transporter 3 Jason Statham.				★★ Bulletproof				★★★ Miracle Kurt Russell.	
	HBO	300	550	14	14		Real Sports		Bill Maher		VICE	Serena					(:10) The Hitman's Bodyguard	(:10) ★★★ Avatar
	HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	W.Cenac	(:25) Making ...	(:50) War for the Planet of the Apes				(:15) Boxing World Championship Boxing					Making
	HBOS	304	552	16	102		(11:40) ★★ Sideways			(:30) ★★★★ Logan ('17, Act) Hugh Jackman.					(:15) Bill Maher (N)		(:15) Silicon	(:45) Barry
	MAX	380	557	17	120	24	★★★ Fargo		(:40) Rellik			(:40) ★★ Edge of Darkness Mel Gibson.			(:40) ★★ A Perfect World			
	MAX2	382	558	18	122		(11:50) Rules Don't Apply Alec Baldwin.				★★★ Lucas Corey Haim.		(:40) ★★ Light It Up				(:20) ★ A Perfect G...	
	PLEX			96			(11:50) ★★ Wanda Nevada		(:40) ★★ Avenging Angel				(:55) ★★★ MacArthur Gregory Peck.				(:15) ★★ Jericho	
	SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	(:55) Homeland		Billions		Billions				Billions		Billions	
	TMC	336	573	22	155	26	(11:00) The Light ...		Momma	★ Last Night Keira Knightley.			(:40) ★ Sidewalks of New York				★ The Girl on the...	
CABLE	A&E	27	58	28	35	47	★★★ The Chronicles of Riddick Vin Diesel.						★★ Constantine ('05, Sci-Fi) Keanu Reeves.				S. Wars	S. Wars
	AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(11:15) Lara Croft: Tomb Raider		(:50) ★★★ Predators ('10, Sci-Fi) Adrien Brody.								(:20) ★★★ The Bourne Ultimatum	
	BET	58	-		40		(11:00) Race ('16, Bio) Jason Sudeikis, Stephan James.				(:25) ★★ Big Momma's House 2 Martin Lawrence.						(:55) Space Jam	
	BRAVO	65	76		41		Housewives Atlanta		South-New Orleans		South-New Orleans		South-New Orleans		Housewives P.		Housewives P.	
	CNBC	46	52		39	72	(11:00) Paid Program								Shark Tank		Shark Tank	
	CNN	43	50	51	30	56	Fareed Zakaria GPS		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
	DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Countdown to XL (N)		Countdown to XL (N)		Countdown to XL (N)		Countdown to XL (N)		Countdown to XL (N)		Countdown to XL (N)	
	DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Gravity	DuckTales	Bunk'd	BunK'd	Jessie	Jessie	StuckMid.	StuckMid.	Andi M.	AndiM.	(:25) BunK'd	
	ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	(11:00) PBA Bowling		NCAA Beach Volleyball				MLB Baseball Los Angeles Dodgers vs. San Diego Padres (L)					
	ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	NCAA Baseball Florida at Texas A&M Site: Olsen Field (L)						NCAA Softball Arkansas vs LSU (L)				SportsCenter (N)	
	FNC	45	48	53	23	55	America's News HQ		Fox News Sunday		Journal Editorial R.		America's News HQ		Greg Gutfeld Show		FOX Report Sunday	
	FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	The Kitchen		WorstCooks		Diners "Best of Pizza"		Truck (N)	Diners	Diners, Drive-Ins		Iron Chef Gauntlet	
	FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	(:15) ★★ The Wedding Planner				(:20) ★★★ The Notebook ('04, Rom) Rachel McAdams, Ryan Gosling						Movie	
	FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	(11:00) MLB Baseball		Insider	Pre-game	MLB Baseball Boston Red Sox at Texas Rangers Site: Globe Life Park (L)						Rangers	Focus. (N)
	FX	31	56	59	64	69	Movie	★★★★ Mission: Impossible - Rogue Nation ('15, Act) Tom Cruise.							★★★ Spectre ('15, Act) Christoph Waltz, Daniel Craig.			
	HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	★ The Beach House Andie MacDowell.				★ Chance at Romance Ryan McPartlin.				★ Very, Very, Valentine Danica McKeller.			
	HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	H.Hunt	H.Hunt	House	H.Hunt	H.Hunt	House	H.Hunt	H.Hunt	House	H.Hunt	H.Hunt	House
	HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Pawn S.	Pawn Star	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	American Pickers	
	LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	(11:00) ★ Girls' Nig...		★ Bad Tutor ('18, Dra) Vanessa Marcil.				★ Evil Doctor ('18, Thril) Dina Meyer.				★ Stalked by a Re...	
	MSNBC	47	53		49	73	MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		Meet the Press	
	NBCSN	38	43				Soccer	Goal Zone	Premier	Premier	Dirt Racing		AMA Moto. Racing		Racer TV	Grudge	Tour of California (N)	
	NICK	55	-	39	34	37	H.Danger	H.Danger	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	H.Danger	Danger
	SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Bar Rescue		Bar Res. "Tiki Curse"		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
	SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	(11:30) ★★ Knowing Nicolas Cage.				★★★ Con Air ('97, Act) John Cusack, Nicolas Cage.						★ National Treasure: Book of...	
	TBS	25	33	44	66	41	(11:00) ★★ The A-Team			(:40) ★★ Focus ('15, Com/Dra) Will Smith.			(:40) ★★ Get Hard ('15, Com) Kevin Hart, Will Ferrell.					
	TCM	41	75	24	63	66	★★★★ A Star Is Born ('37, Rom) Janet Gaynor, Fredric March.						(:15) ★★★★ The Three Faces of Eve				★ Sunday in New ...	
	TELE	20	-	10	20		La Liga	Revista (N)	★ The 33 ('15, Doc/Dra) Antonio Banderas.								★ Cloudy With a Chance of...	Decision
	TLC	51	61	32	38	52	(11:00) L.I. Medium		Long Island Medium		Long Island Medium		Long Island Medium "Theresa on Tour"				Long Is. Medium (N)	
	TNT	24	34	40	26	50	(11:00) ★ Wrath of ...		★ Hercules ('14, Adv) Dwayne Johnson.						★★★ The Dark Knight Rises ('12, Act) Anne Hathaway.			
	TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba
	USA	26	55	42	27	49	SVU "Russian Brides"		Law & Order: S.V.U.		SVU "Lost Reputation"		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Orde:. S.V.U.	
	WGN	19	85				Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Blue Bloods	

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		G	S	R	C	W	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
BROADCAST	KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	America's Funniest Home Videos (N)		American Idol "Top Seven" (L)				Deception "Getting Away Clean" (N)		News (N)	(:35) Blue Bloods "After Hours"		(:01) Extra Weekend
	KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	60 Minutes		Instinct "Owned" (N)	NCIS: Los Angeles (N)			Madam "The Things We Get to Say" (N)		CBS 7 News (N)	(:35) Outdoors	(:01) Castle "Linchpin" 2/2	
	KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Touched by An Angel "The Trigger"		Columbo "Murder With Too Many Notes"				Touched by An Angel "Doodlebugs"		Night Gallery	Night Gallery	Twilight Zone "No Time Like the Past"	
	KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers (N)	TheSim-psons (N)	Brooklyn 99 (N)	Family Guy (N)	Last Man (N)	Big Bang Theory	Mom	2 Broke Girls	Texans 360	Robert Jeffress	Paid Program
	KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Mishor: M25	Shepherd's Heart	The Essentials		Light of the Southwest		Light of the Southwest		Update News	Behind the Veil	Wings of Truth	Our Messiah
	KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Dateline NBC		Genius Junior "The Power Pose" (N)		Genius Junior "Super Duper Brains" (N)		Timeless "The Day Reagan Was Shot" (N)		NewsW-est 9 (N)	(:35) Report	Film Fiction	YOLO Texas
	KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Masterp. "Downton Abbey, Series II"		Call the Midwife (N)		Masterpiece Classic "Unforgotten" (N)			Last Tango in Halifax	On Story		G. Trekker "Tough Boots: The Arctic"	
	KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Aquí y ahora		Al Final...Todo Queda en Familia (N)				Crónicas "Historias que hacen Historia"		María de Todos	Noticiero Univision	República deportiva	
	KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Bones		Rizoli & Isles		CSI "Cheating Death"		Miles&M.	Miles&M.	Anger M.	Anger M.	Scandal "Yes"	
PREMIUM	FLIX	340	575		165		(6:50) Miracle		★★ Inside Man Denzel Washington.				(:10) ★★★★ The Great Debaters Denzel Washington.					Movie
	HBO	300	550	14	14		(5:10) ★★★ Avatar		('09, Fant) Zoe Saldana.		Westworld (N)		Silicon (N)	Barry (N)	LastWk	(:35) Westworld		(:35) Barry
	HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	(5:40) Westworld		Westworld "Reunion"		★★★★ Waltzes Kiri Russell.		(:50) ★★ Garden State Zach Braff.					Movie
	HBOS	304	552	16	102		(:20) ★★★ The Beguiled Nicole Kidman.				★★★ Seabiscuit ('03, Dra) Tobey Maguire.						(:20) ★★ Hereafter	
	MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(5:40) ★ A Perfect W...		★★★★ Nocturnal Animals Amy Adams.				★★★★ The Beach Leonardo DiCaprio.				★★ Extreme Ops	
	MAX2	382	558	18	122		(5:20) ★ A Perfect G...		Rellik (N)		★★★★ Suicide Squad Will Smith.				(:20) ★ Birth of the Dragon			Movie
	PLEX			96			(5:15) ★★ Jericho		★★ Stagecoach Johnny Cash.		(:20) ★ Wyatt Earp's Revenge				(:15) ★★ Wanda Nevada Peter Fonda.			
	SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	Billions		TheCirc.	TheCircus	Billions		Dying Up Here (N)		Billions			I'm Dying Up Here
	TMC	336	573	22	155	26	(5:00) ★ The Girl on...		★★ The Shipping Wives				(:20) ★ Bad Moms ('16, Com) Mila Kunis.		★ Extreme Movie			
CABLE	A&E	27	58	28	35	47	S. Wars	Storage W.	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	(:40) Flip Wars		(:40) S.Wars	(:20) S.Wars
	AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(5:50) ★ The Bourne...		(:25) Fear the Dead		Fear the Dead (N)		(:20) Badlands (N)		(:10) Talking Dead (N)		(:10) Fear the Dead	
	BET	58	-		40		(5:55) ★ Space Jam		★★ Next Friday ('00, Com) Mike Epps, Ice Cube.				(:25) Kevin Hart's Wh...		Martin	Martin	Martin	
	BRAVO	65	76		41		The Real Housew. (N)		Housewives P. (N)		South-Charm (N)		Beverly Hills		Watch		Housewives P.	
	CNBC	46	52		39	72	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank	
	CNN	43	50	51	30	56	CNN Newsroom		Anthony Bourdain		A. Bourdain (N)		United Shades (N)		United "The Border"		Anthony "Uruguay"	
	DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Countdown to XL (N)		Countdown to XL (N)		Naked and Afraid (N)		XL All Stars (N)		Naked and Afraid		XL All Stars	
	DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	(5:20) ★ The Smurfs		DuckTal.	★★★ The Smurfs			Bizaard.	DuckTal.	BunK'd	BunK'd	StuckMid.	BunK'd
	ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	Baseball Tonight		MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at St. Louis Cardinals (L)				SportsCenter (N)					SportsC.
	ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	Softball		Cornhole ACL National				NCAA Beach Volleyball				E:60	
	FNC	45	48	53	23	55	Fox News Sunday		Legends & Lies		The Next Revolution		Life, Liberty & Levin		Legends & Lies		The Next Revolution	
	FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Guy's Grocery Games		Guy's Game (N)		WorstCooks (N)		Beat Play	Beat Play	Beat Play	Beat Play	WorstCooks	
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Couple to take final bow after 30-plus years with MOSC

■ Michael and Shari Santorelli said they'll miss the social aspect of being members of the orchestra

By Rich Lopez
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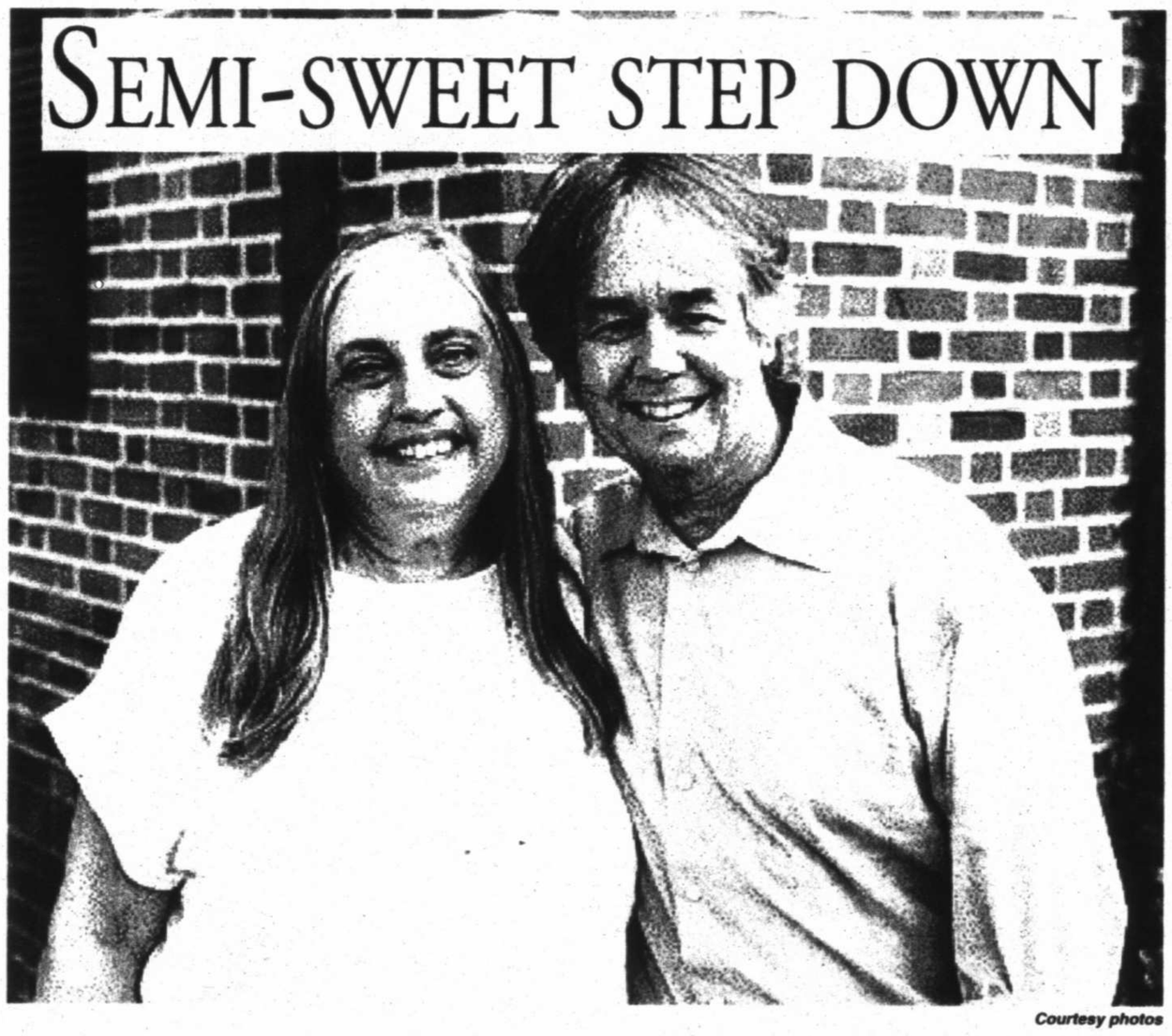

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Shari and Michael Santorelli are stepping down from their chairs after more than 30 years with the Midland Odessa Symphony and Chorale.

Shari and Michael Santorelli often hang out with their fellow musicians after a concert. They gather to talk about the night's performance and laugh at what went awry but that the audience would never notice. In short, they decompress with their Midland Odessa Symphony and Chorale colleagues.

After MOSC's "Celebrating our Heroes" pops concert on Saturday, any post-concert plans will be special ones for the Santorellis. After more than 30 years, the two are stepping down from their chairs.

"It is bittersweet," said Michael Santorelli, who is the symphony's co-principal trumpet. "There are so many memories you have of past concerts but being a member is a social thing, as well as a professional music gig. There are so many great people there."

Shari Santorelli is the principal pianist.

"It's wonderful and we enjoy our friends," she said. "I will miss seeing everyone at those rehearsals and I'll miss going backstage to see everyone."

Michael will be wrapping up his 34th season; his wife will be closing her 33rd. Through those years, the two have made quite an impact.

"For more than 30 years, both Michael and Shari Santorelli have contributed to the enrichment of lives through music as principal members of our orchestra," said Executive Director Jeanette Kolokoff. "Their talent and dedication to music and to our organization has been exemplary. They will be greatly missed."

Michael also is a member of the Lone Star Brass ensemble. He was director of instrumental music at Trinity School from 1999 to 2016, and has served as an adjunct instructor at Midland College and the University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

Shari also taught at Trinity School during the years her husband did. She taught at Midland College and was the accompanist at Texas Tech University.

In addition, the Santorellis taught private music students.

Music is no doubt the biggest part of their lives, but it's also the reason for their retirement.

"It is the physical as well as mental," Shari said. "We are in our 60s, and the fact is, as you get older, it takes a lot of work to keep that ball in the air performing and practicing. I'm just a little tired, to put it mildly."

The couple's bucket lists include traveling, spending time with their grandchildren and pursuing other interests. Shari wants to return to drawing and begin writing her memories.

"There are more years behind us than in front," she said. "But yeah, there are things I want to do that have nothing do with music, and I want to do them before my brain fries."

But first, there is the "Celebrating Our Heroes" concert. Michael has two additional performances.

He will play at one more ClayDesta Concert with the Lone Star Brass and at the International Trumpet Guild conference in San Antonio at the end of May.

"That will be one of the biggest performances the Lone Star Brass will play," he said. "After that, I'll do the trumpet drop."

In honor of the Santorellis, the MOSC opened their chairs for endowment. The funds would go toward recruiting new players and their salaries as well as general operations. Development director Violet Singh began the campaign that is almost completed.

"The chairs have already been graciously fulfilled," she said. "These endowments are about 11 to 13 percent of our funds, and without them, the quality of the MOSC would be much lower. They provide us with a stability and allow us to do more artistically."

Both chairs were fulfilled by Karen and Spencer Beal.

"It's our privilege to honor Mike and Shari Santorelli with endowed chairs for the Midland Odessa Symphony and Chorale," the Beals said in a statement.

"We appreciate their more than 30-plus years of dedicated service to our communities. We wish them all our best on their future endeavors."

Clearly, the Santorellis have made an impression. Trinity School honored them last year with the naming of the Santorelli Band Hall.

"I think Mike and Shari have won the hearts of so many people without even trying because they exhibit the love of what they do," Singh said.

The final concert for both the Santorellis and the MOSC season will honor veterans, active military personnel and first responders. Along with the orchestra, the show will feature the Voices of the Permian Basin Youth Choir and narrator Gene Collins. Local heroes will be acknowledged with their photos displayed on stage during the patriotic pieces.

For the Santorellis, it's been a good run, but it's also time to give the ears a break.

"After playing and practicing and teaching, our ears are tired," Shari said. "It's funny because you've been on this journey all these years, but you don't realize it."

Peace and quiet might be in the near future, but music is forever with them.

"Now we can be supporters," Michael said.

"But I told the guys when they get together after concerts to give us a call."

They even have words for their successors.

Shari said it's hard work but lots of fun.

"Gary (Lewis), our maestro, is wonderful, and working with him and the other musicians has been a blast," she said.

Michael agreed and then said, "We'll be listening."

If you go

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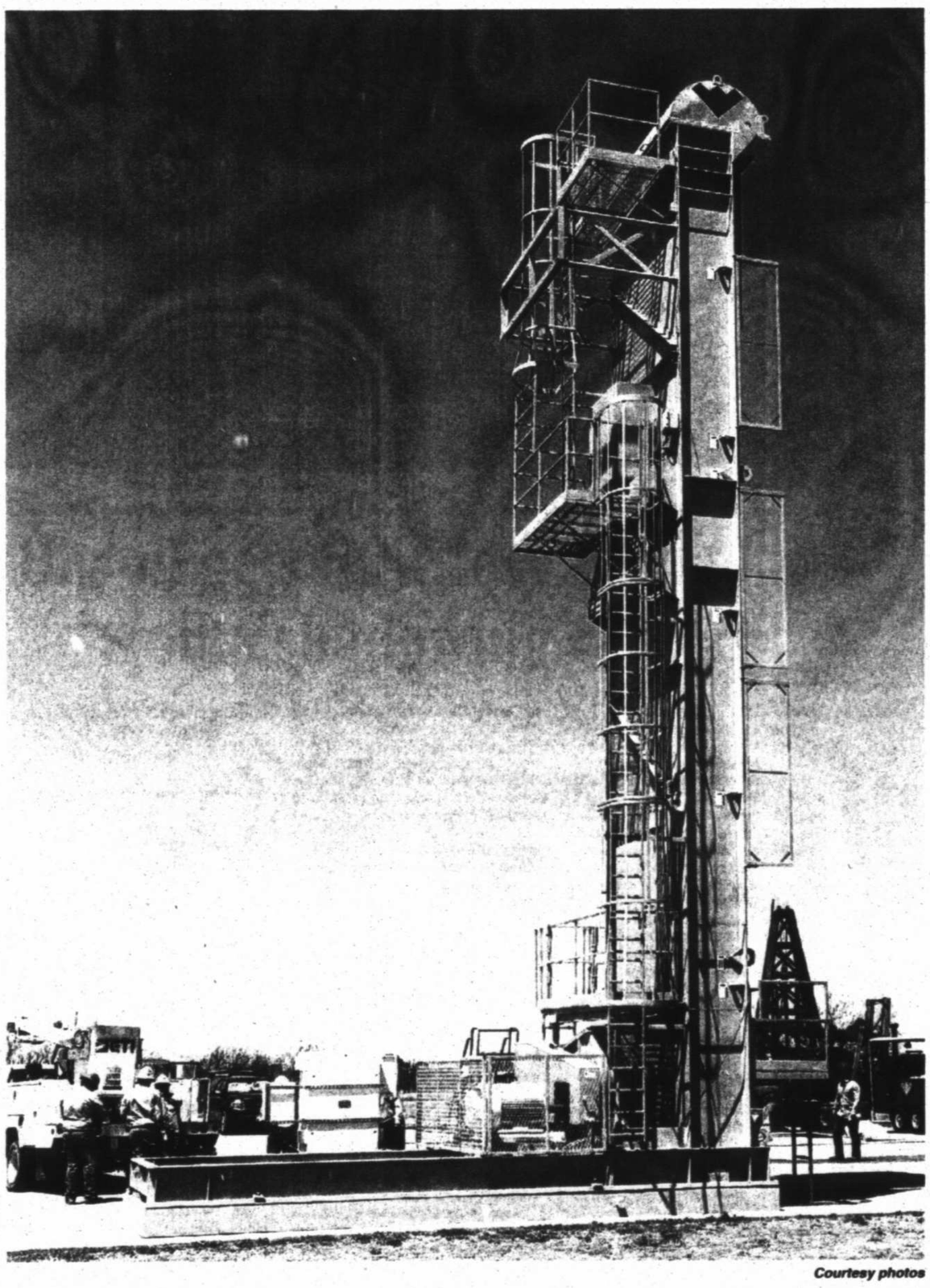

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Technology, such as the drilling rigs on the surface that drill the wells too deep below the surface have transformed the Permian Basin oil and gas industry. Its unconventional resources and tremendous potential have companies designing new technology to help producers improve efficiency and optimize their production.

Service companies showcase technology that targets Permian formations

By Mella McEwen
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Technical innovation has revolutionized the oil and gas industry in the Permian Basin, and the industry has helped companies advance their innovations.

Since the downturn in oil prices began in 2014, those innovations have been driven by two goals: optimization and efficiency.

"The downturn made people honest," said Casey Bechdol, general manager, U.S. well monitoring with Reservoir Group. "It also made them more efficient and come up with cost-saving solutions."

His company was one of several that recently displayed their latest technology to customers and potential customers.

Weatherford International recently hosted a two-day technology showcase at the Petroleum Museum displaying its technical innovations and various services.

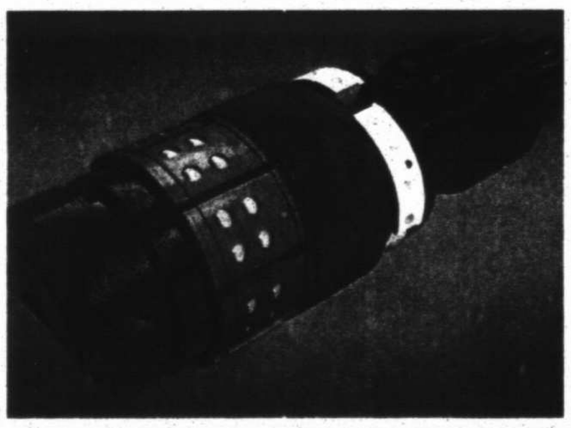
"Weatherford has a long history in the Permian, with roots dating back to the 1920s, and our presence has only grown in recent years as U.S. shale has become a dominant force in the global market," said Bill Marchant, Weatherford's vice president, US Geozone.

"Safety and efficiency are perennial touchstones for our industry, and we always keep these factors in mind when developing new tools," he said. "Given the high level of activity in the Permian Basin, we are increasingly designing tools with Permian shales in mind. For example, our new Rotaflex long-stroke pumping unit, Magnus rotary steerable system and Minima composite frac plug are all optimized for deployment in the Permian."

The Rotaflex long-stroke pumping unit towered over the museum in the west parking lot. It was designed to eliminate the need for intermediate-lift methods and allows producers to optimize productivity with its longer stroke, more complete barrel fillage and less wear on surface and downhole equipment.

At the other end of the height spectrum was Weatherford's Minima composite frac plug, which was on display in the museum's auditorium. Designed for multizone plug-and-perf completion operations and stimulation of unconventional, vertical, deviated and horizontal wells, its short length — about 12 inches — minimizes composite material in the wellbore. Powder-metal buttons on the composite top allow for quick drillouts, and the bottom slip can be configured with either cast iron ring or composite slip. The plug's lightweight cuttings can be easily circulated out of the wellbore.

Weatherford also unveiled its Magnus rotary steering system, which was designed to speed drilling time and improve directional control through three independent pads and real-time near-bit data from azimuthal gamma ray and inclination measurements from as close as 6 feet to the bit.



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Weatherford's Minima composite frac plug.

Bechdol cited partnerships being formed to help develop and install new technology. His Reservoir Group company and Well-Sense have teamed up to unveil OptiDrop, a disposable compact fiber optic system as a new discipline of well intervention. It utilizes the FiberLine Intervention tool from Well-Sense and incorporates the use of bare fiber optic strands spooled inside the housing that feed out of the tool as it is dropped into the wellbore.

"It's a game changer for fiber optics," he said.

Alan Sanderson, technical sales specialist, well monitoring with Reservoir Group, said customers have been turning to fiber optics since the downturn, but cost-effective, one-shot systems such as the disposable OptiDrop will give producers real-time data on cementing assurance and will help optimize gas lift and eventually help assess interference in neighboring wells.

Real-time logging and getting the samples faster, logging faster and providing more data readings is in demand, said Bechdol.

Sanderson said quickly transferring that data to customers' reservoir engineers is also a key demand.

Bechdol said Reservoir Group is working on techniques to extract longer cores from wellbores. He said the company has extracted 300-foot and 360-foot cores and is looking at extracting 600-foot cores.

"We ask ourselves daily how we can be more efficient, how we can help our customers improve their designs, improve procedures," Bechdol said.

Ervin Well Site Consultants expands with Midland office

By Mella McEwen
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Andy Ervin of Andrews had a hunch he could build a business providing consultants to oil and gas companies. Turns out he was right.

"A little over 20 years ago, I saw a need for outsourcing individuals, a bit like foremen," he said in a phone interview. "Oil and gas companies had had layoffs, and I knew they'd need people to do what their people had been doing as operations picked back up, as they do after a downturn. Fortunately, that was a good assumption."

It was such a good assumption that the company, Ervin Well Site Consultants LLC, is opening an office at 801 Tradewinds Blvd. across from Security Bank Ballpark. An open house at the new office is planned for Thursday. Ervin said the Midland location, which is twice as large as his original office in Andrews, is closer to his client base.

The business started as a one-man operation and has grown to serve not just the Permian Basin but South Texas. The company has clients as far away as New York, Pennsylvania, Arizona and the Bakken play in North and South Dakota. The company opened a San Antonio office in 2012 to serve South Texas and the Gulf Coast.

When he started the business, Ervin said oil companies used consultants in a limited capacity but "now there's a need for more consultants and a need for a larger area of expertise."

He said there are several reasons — from smaller operators who don't have the manpower to companies that don't want to add to their payrolls.

"At the same time, our larger customers want to hire consultants. As the market goes up and down, they don't have to lay people off; they can end the projects and we're through," Ervin said. "We move on to the next project.

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Phillips 66 Partners announces plans to proceed with Gray Oak Pipeline system

■ Second open season underway

From staff reports

Houston's Phillips 66 Partners has received enough binding commitments for its proposed Gray Oak Pipeline system after an initial open season that it plans to proceed with construction.

A second open season is underway to gauge additional interest in the project. After this season concludes, Phillips 66, which is expected to operate the pipeline, will determine the exact route of the project as well as its capacity.

The pipeline will be owned by Gray Oak Pipeline LLC, a joint venture between Phillips 66 Partners and Andeavor, which recently agreed to be bought by Marathon Petroleum. Phillips 66 will own 75 percent of the pipeline and Andeavor the remaining 25 percent, but other third parties, including Enbridge Inc., have an option to acquire up to 32.75 percent interest in the joint venture.

The Gray Oak Pipeline will provide crude oil transportation from West Texas to destinations in the Corpus Christi and Sweeny/Freeport markets. Origination stations will be constructed in Reeves, Loving, Winkler and Crane counties in West Texas, as well as from locations in the Eagle Ford production area in South Texas. The pipeline is expected to be placed in service by the end of 2019.

Subject to the results of the second open season, the pipeline could transport up to 700,000 barrels per day or more of crude oil from the Permian Basin to downstream markets. Assuming the pipeline is fully subscribed, its capacity could ultimately be expanded to approximately 1 million barrels per day of long-haul takeaway.

In Corpus Christi, the Gray Oak Pipeline will connect to a new joint venture marine terminal under development by Buckeye Partners LP. Buckeye will have a 50 percent interest in the terminal joint venture and will be the operator, while Phillips 66 Partners and Andeavor each will have a 25 percent ownership interest. The terminal will have an initial storage capacity of 3.4 million barrels and is expected to begin operations by the end of 2019.

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A monitor displays the ExxonMobil logo on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange in New York on April 13.

Big oil gets little love with toxic troika shadowing revival

By Kevin Crowley and Kelly Gilblom
Bloomberg

For generations of investors, ExxonMobil has been a cornerstone of fund managers' portfolios alongside the biggest names in corporate America. Not so much any more.

From leading the S&P 500 Index a decade ago, the company has dropped to the ninth-largest in a top 10 now dominated by technology giants. Its rivals Royal Dutch Shell and Chevron aren't faring much better, with investors demanding unusually high dividend yields to hold the stocks.

At fault, a toxic troika that combines gushing supply with fears that long-term demand will flat-line as electric vehicles and renewable energies grow, and climate change policies proliferate. And while cash flow for oil's majors in 2018 is likely to be the highest in 12 years, investors are largely unmoved.

"Earnings have started to come through but no one believes it's sustainable," said Kevin Holt, who helps manage $934 billion at Invesco Ltd. in Houston. "That's why the stocks haven't worked even though the commodity has gone up. Everyone's saying they don't believe it."

Years of elevated spending on mega projects worldwide caused costs to soar. That kept drillers from taking full advantage when oil prices were averaging about $95 a barrel in 2011-14, and it left them exposed when a stubborn two-plus year rout took hold. In February, the weighting of energy stocks in the S&P 500 dropped to 5.5 percent, the lowest in 14 years.

Beyond the S&P, Big Oil's weighting in global equity indices is now at a 50-year low, Goldman Sachs said in a Marcl. report. Of the MSCI World Index's 100 biggest stocks, only six are oil producers.

The tepid interest in oil "is reflective of a significant paradigm shift in the global energy landscape," Paul Cheng, an oil equities analyst at Barclays in New York, said in a note to clients. "Investors, particularly generalists, seem to be growing increasingly skeptical of the long-term value of oil and gas assets given the supply and demand risks posed by shale oil and EVs."

Big Oil's top executives attempted to combat these concerns last week, when they announce first-quarter results. Crude prices have climbed 51 percent in the last 10 months costs have been cut by so much that some companies are earning more at $65 a barrel than when oil was worth more than $100. The first quarter earnings reporting season started April 25 with Statoil.

In theory, the surge in cash flow should encourage institutional investors to buy shares, as it all but guarantees future dividends. Yet, there's a strong sense among some investors of deja vu, as companies have in the past used the recovery to boost capital spending in new projects, over time squeezing their cash generation.

"There's a degree of skepticism about how companies are going to react through an oil price upturn again," said Iain Pyle, investment director of U.K. equities at Standard Life Aberdeen, which has $929 billion under management. "The feeling is that if oil goes up they'll give away some of that value."

Oil executives acknowledge that it's too soon to win back investors. Shell CEO Ben van Beurden has openly talked about a "credibility and track record gap" between the major oil companies and its shareholder base.

"We need to show a little bit longer we mean what we say in terms of capital discipline," he told reporters recently. "This newfound religion and confidence is, to say the least, fragile."

And yet, some banks and investors believe that everyone is so negative about Big Oil that it's the right time to pour money back in. Goldman Sachs, for years a naysayer of the sector, has now turned its cheerleader. The aversion to oil has created "the single best investment opportunity over the next five years in the S&P," according to Invesco's Holt. His $13 billion Invesco Comstock Fund holds Chevron and Shell stock.

Longer term, electric vehicles and policies to combat climate change are contributing to forecasts of peak oil demand anytime from the 2030s. Oil companies are at a crossroads where investors expect them to keep a tight leash on costs, yet spend money to stay relevant in a low-carbon future.

"The investment community still is not sure we're going to handle these higher prices with discipline," BP Chief Executive Officer Bob Dudley said Tuesday. "Then there's a section of the investment community that wonders why we're not investing more in batteries and cars and renewables."

Being a small part of the index comes with its own problems, according to James Hasso, who helps manage $232 billion at Voya Investment Management in New York. "The reality is, investors' bandwidth is very narrow," he said. "If it's such a small part of the index the portfolio manager looks at it and says, 'Do I need to own these stocks?'"

Big Oil's first quarter results are "a chance at redemption" after a poor fourth quarter of 2017, Biraj Borkhataria, a London-based analyst at RBC Capital Markets wrote in a note. Investors will reward companies whose cash generation rises at the same rate as oil prices in the period, and no new plans to raise capital spending, he said.

The five biggest listed non-state controlled oil companies — Exxon, Shell, Chevron, Total SA and BP — will post their highest first-quarter net income since 2014, according to data compiled by Bloomberg. So far that hasn't translated into returns, a source of frustration for investors.

"I'm disappointed the shares haven't been better than they've been," said Martin Walker, a fund manager at Invesco in London. "But I'm a patient investor."

Tenaris CEO supports steel tariffs, plots more Texas growth

By Jordan Blum
Houston Chronicle

Steel pipe maker Tenaris will consider expanding its new Bay City pipe mill southwest of Houston and look to grow more in West Texas to take advantage of the shale oil boom and new steel tariffs on imports from overseas competitors, the chairman and chief executive said.

Tenaris, an Argentinian company with roots in Italy, opened its $1.8 billion, state-of-the-art pipe mill in Bay City at the end of last year. The mill, which produces the piping that goes into oil and gas wells, is designed to compete with Asian imports by bringing pipe manufacturing closer to the shale oil boom in West Texas and other regions.

It certainly helps that South Korea — a primary piping competitor — already has agreed to quotas to reduce its steel piping exports to the U.S.

Tenaris also produces a lot of its steel in Argentina, which received a permanent exemption from the tariffs in a deal with the White House, and in Mexico, which is still completing tariff negotiations with the U.S.

"We feel we are very well-positioned, and we support this policy," said Tenaris Chairman and CEO Paolo Rocca, who was visiting Houston week to tour facilities and attend the Offshore Technology Conference. But not all of the details are known yet, he noted.

Rocca said it is critical to boost U.S. pipe manufacturing and provide a domestic supply chain to the shale oil boom. Tenaris is happy to play its growing role, he said. Tenaris already has a smaller pipe mill in Conroe, as well as additional facilities and service centers in Houston, Freeport and Midland. Tenaris' North American headquarters is in Houston.

Rocca said the new Bay City mill is up and running now, but it won't achieve its full production capacity of 600,000 tons of steel pipe a year until late this year or next. After that, Tenaris will consider additional growth, including in West Texas near the Permian Basin. "The Permian really is essential for us because it's the area where we foresee the highest growth. The Permian is the most dynamic area," Rocca said. "Shale is a story that will go on for the next 10, 20, 30, 40 years. Everyone has a long-term view, so we need to plan accordingly."

Tenaris was virtually unheard of in Texas until just over decade ago, when it bought St. Louis-based Maverick Tube Corp. and Houston-based Hydril Co. for a combined $5 billion. In short order, Tenaris grew from about 50 Houston employees to more than 2,000. Tenaris touts its "Rig Direct" system, a just-on-time model that supplies pipe to match the exact needs of its customers just when the products are required in the field, lowering storage, maintenance and inspection costs. Despite the heavy use of robotics to move the steel from station to station to manufacture the finished piping, the Bay City mill employs about 600 workers.

ENERGYBRIEFS

FROM STAFF ANDWIRE REPORTS

San Andres injection topic for AADE speaker

Members of the Permian Basin chapter of the American Association of Drilling Engineers, will meet at11:30 a.m.

Andrew Hunter of Guidon Energy will address "The San Andres Problem: Shallow Injection Has Become the Biggest Drilling Hazard in the Midland Basin."

Cost is $35 for members in advance, $40 at the door. Cost for non-members is $40 in advance, $45 at the door. Online registration is available.

WTGS to host BEG researcher

The West Texas Geological Society will meet at11:30 a.m.Tuesday in the Midland Country Club ballroom .Guest speaker Stephen C. Ruppel from the Bureau of Economic Geology at the University of Texas will present "Can Sequence Stratigraphic Concepts be Applied in Mudrock Systems?"

Cost is $25 in advance, $35 at the door. Reservations may be obtained by calling 683-1573 or by email at wtgs@wtgs.org. Online registration is also available at www.wtgs.org and clicking on the Events tab.

Permian Water names James Corbitt president

James Corbitt has joined Permian Water Solutions LLC as its president.

Corbitt brings significant saltwater disposal marketing, sales and leadership expertise to the company, having most recently been with Trinity Environmental Services SWD LLC and Wilson Systems Inc. He will be based in Permian Water Solutions' Midland office.

Before to entering the SWD space, Corbitt was general manager of Midland Map Co., supervising Midland Maps' core geological mappingbusiness and managing two of its geological research facilities.

Privately held Permian Water Solutions LLC owns fee or leasehold interests in 21 salt water disposal wells, three brine stations and three fresh water stations. Seventeen of the salt water disposal wells are strategically located in West Texas or New Mexico serving operators in the Delaware Basin, Central Basin Platform and Midland Basin.

HOUSTON

Pro Oil & Gas Services combines with Elite Production Services

Pro Oil & Gas Services LLC has combined with Elite Production Services LLC, a provider of flowback and well testing, torque and test and crane rental services in the Permian Basin, Eagle Ford and Haynesville.

Concurrent with the closing of the Elite transaction, Pro acquired Whitetail Well Testing LLC, a provider of flowback and well testing services in the Permian Basin.

Elite and Whitetail will provide additional scale and diversity to Pro's completion services operations, specifically in the Permian Basin with their established customer relationships and service expertise. The combined company will consolidate under the Pro brand name and operate as a diversified, multi-basin provider of completion and drilling services with operations in the Permian Basin, Eagle Ford, Haynesville, Mid-Continent and Marcellus. Pro is backed by Intervale Capital and, before the combination, Elite was a portfolio company of Pelican Energy Partners.

DENVER

Carbon Natural Gas announces Ventura Basin acquisition

Carbon Natural Gas Company, through its subsidiary Carbon California Company LLC, has completed the acquisition of oil and gas producing properties and related facilities located in the Ventura Basin of California for $43 million subject to normal and customary post-closing adjustments.

The acquired assets are comprised of conventional light, sweet crude oil production with shallow base decline. The acquisition increases the volume of light oil production and proved reserves of Carbon California and provides for additional cash flow from Carbon's Ventura Basin operating region. The acquired properties have an inventory of proved developed non-producing and proved undeveloped growth opportunities on which the company will commence a development plan. The company believes that operating synergies and economies of scale may be achieved as the properties are integrated into existing field operations.

Current net production from the acquired assets is approximately 920 barrels of oil equivalent per day (79 percent oil and liquids). Based on reserves as of Jan. 1 prepared by the company's qualified reserves evaluator using SEC pricing methodology, the company estimates that the properties contain 17.6 million barrels of Proved Reserves (77 percent oil and liquids) comprised of 6.9 million net boe of proved developed producing reserves, 5.8 million net boe of proved developed non-producing reserves and 4.9 million net boe of proved undeveloped reserves.

NORTH DAKOTA

Oil refineries in Mandan and Dickinson changing owners

BISMARK -- Oil refineries in Mandan and Dickinson will be changing owners when Marathon Petroleum Corp. merges with Andeavor. Andeavor was recently known as Tesoro. It employs 300 people at its two North Dakota refineries.

Marathon Petroleum is buying Andeavor for more than $23 billion, a transaction that would make the combined company the largest U.S. refiner. The combined company will have headquarters in Ohio and will be called Marathon Petroleum.

The Bismarck Tribune reports Andeavor also owns pipelines in North Dakota, natural gas processing plants near Belfield and New Town and a rail terminal at Fryburg. Marathon Petroleum owns an interest in the Dakota Access pipeline.

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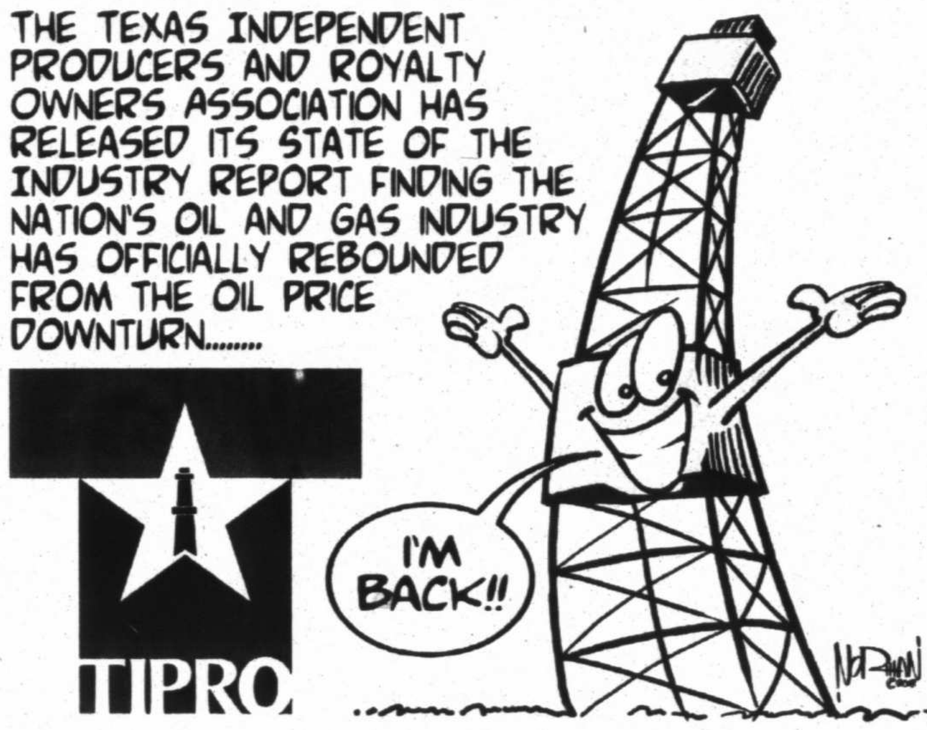
It gives them flexibility."

Ervin's consultants — some of whom have worked on projects that lasted three or four years — provide expertise in a number of areas, from drilling and completions to production to safety compliance and environmental management.

"We're always looking for consultants and new opportunities and new areas," he said. "Our eyes are wide open looking for new lines to get into.

"If there's anything I'm proud of, it's the process and length we go to to vet consultants who have the expertise and the safety training and expertise we need," Ervin said.



MID-WEEK WTI AVERAGE PRICES

Posted	$64.55	Shell Trading	$64.50
Energy Transfer Partners*	$64.50	Nymex futures	$68.01*
Flint Hills Resources*	$64.50	*Net price without transportation charge	
Phillips 66	$64.55		
Plains*	$64.50	Note: Posted prices as of May 2	

DEVELOPMENT WELLS

Courtesy DrillingInfo

Texas RRCD 7C

Irion County

Triple Crown Resources LLC
Farmar BC Pooled Unit #S695HA
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 650 fwl, 300 fnl, Sec 69, Blk 1, Abst. 265, H&TC RR, 11 sw Mertzon; TD 9000; API #42-235-36046 Permit issued 4/27

Reagan County

Oxy USA WTP LP
Monger 303A #2H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 397 fsl, 2305 fwl, Sec 3, Blk B, Abst. 284, L&SV RR, 21.1 sw Garden City; TD 9000; API #42-383-40204 Permit issued 4/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Driver E28P #116H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 476 fsl, 4104 fwl, Sec 28, Blk 36, T-5-S, Abst. 764, T&P RR, 19.2 sw Garden City; TD 10250; API #42-383-40223 Permit issued 4/24

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Driver E28Q #117H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 476 fsl, 4124 fwl, Sec 28, Blk 36, T-5-S, Abst. 764, T&P RR, 19.2 sw Garden City; TD 10250; API #42-383-40224 Permit issued 4/24

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Driver E28R #118H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 476 fsl, 4144 fwl, Sec 28, Blk 36, T-5-S, Abst. 764, T&P RR, 19.2 sw Garden City; TD 10250; API #42-383-40225 Permit issued 4/24

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Driver W28P #16H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 826 fsl, 1213 fwl, Sec 28, Blk 36, T-5-S, Abst. 764, T&P RR, 19.2 sw Garden City; TD 10250; API #42-383-40226 Permit issued 4/24

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Driver W28Q #17H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 826 fsl, 1233 fwl, Sec 28, Blk 36, T-5-S, Abst. 764, T&P RR, 19.2 sw Garden City; TD 10250; API #42-383-40227 Permit issued 4/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Driver W28R #18H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 826 fsl, 1253 fwl, Sec 28, Blk 36, T-5-S, Abst. 764, T&P RR, 19.2 sw Garden City; TD 10250; API #42-383-40228 Permit issued 4/24

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Aldwell K R 40 #7H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 688 fsl, 3954 fwl, Sec 4, Blk D, Abst. 225, L&SV RR, 23.5 nw Big Lake; TD 10355; API #42-383-40245 Permit issued 4/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Aldwell K R 40 #8H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 688 fsl, 3999 fwl, Sec 4, Blk D, Abst. 225, L&SV RR, 23.5 nw Big Lake; TD 10335; API #42-383-40248 Permit issued 4/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Aldwell K R 40 #9H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 688 fsl, 4044 fwl, Sec 4, Blk D, Abst. 225, L&SV RR, 23.5 nw Big Lake; TD 10355; API #42-383-40250 Permit issued 4/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Aldwell K R 40 #16H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 718 fsl, 6389 fwl, Sec 3, Blk D, Abst. 327, L&SV RR, 23.3 nw Big Lake; TD 10355; API #42-383-40252 Permit issued 4/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Aldwell K R 40 #17H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 718 fsl, 6434 fwl, Sec 3, Blk D, Abst. 327, L&SV RR, 23.3 nw Big Lake; TD 10355; API #42-383-40252 Permit issued 4/27

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
RCR 180-197 Alloc 07 #21HS
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 531 fsl, 659 fwl, Sec 197, Blk 1, Abst. 559, T&P RR, 5.5 ne Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-40230 Permit issued 4/24

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
RCR 180-197 Alloc 07 #22HA
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 521 fsl, 676 fwl, Sec 197, Blk 1, Abst. 559, T&P RR, 5.5 ne Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-40232 Permit issued 4/24

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
RCR 180-197 Alloc 06 #24HT
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 511 fsl, 693 fwl, Sec 197, Blk 1, Abst. 559, T&P RR, 5.5 ne Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-40235 Permit issued 4/25

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
RCR 180-197 Alloc 06 #25HC
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 501 fsl, 711 fwl, Sec 197, Blk 1, Abst. 559, T&P RR, 5.5 ne Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-40233 Permit issued 4/25

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
RCR 180-197 Alloc 05 #26HS
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 491 fsl, 728 fwl, Sec 197, Blk 1, Abst. 559, T&P RR, 5.5 ne Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-40236 Permit issued 4/25

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
RCR 180-197 Alloc 05 #27HA
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 481 fsl, 745 fwl, Sec 197, Blk 1, Abst. 559, T&P RR, 5.5 ne Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-40237 Permit issued 4/25

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
RCR 180-197 Alloc 04 #30HC
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 471 fsl, 762 fwl, Sec 197, Blk 1, Abst. 559, T&P RR, 5.5 ne Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-40238 Permit issued 4/25

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
Weatherby 1225-1226 Alloc 01 #47HD
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 330 fwl, 550 fsl, Sec 1224, Abst. 193, EL&RR, 12.86 nw Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-40234 Permit issued 4/27

Tom Green County

Maverick Operating LLC
Flying B Ranch #5
Rives (San Andres); 427 fwl, 408 fnl, Sec 86, Blk 6, Abst. 8472, H&TC RR, 19 sw Water Valley; TD 3000; API #42-451-32877 Permit issued 4/27

Upton County

Apache Corporation
CC 43 West C #3HM
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 450 fsl, 2183 fwl, Sec 42, Blk 39, T-5-S, Abst. 1264, T&P RR, 21.4 nw Rankin; TD 10500; API #42-461-40770 Permit issued 4/26

Apache Corporation
CC 43 East D #4HM
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 450 fsl, 2213 fwl, Sec 42, Blk 39, T-5-S, Abst. 1264, T&P RR, 21.4 nw Rankin; TD 10500; API #42-461-40771 Permit issued 4/26

COG Operating LLC
Carla West Unit #6201BH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 310 fnl, 394 fwl, Sec 63, Blk C, Abst. 42, CCSD&RGNG, 14.9 n Rankin; TD 10000; API #42-461-40780 Permit issued 4/23

COG Operating LLC
Carla West Unit #6223CH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 355 fnl, 394 fwl, Sec 63, Blk C, Abst. 42, CCSD&RGNG, 14.9 n Rankin; TD 10000; API #42-461-40781 Permit issued 4/23

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Strider E #5HB
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 1860 fel, 1375 fsl, Sec 42, Blk 37, T-5-S, Abst. 638, T&P RR, 2.6 se Midkiff; TD 9800; API #42-461-40845 Permit issued 4/24

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Strider E #7BB
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 1375 fsl, 1830 fel, Sec 42, Blk 37, T-5-S, Abst. 638, T&P RR, 2.6 se Midkiff; TD 9800; API #42-461-40846 Permit issued 4/24

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
Bird 13-14 G #272
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2128 fsl, 977 fwl, Sec 13, Blk D, Abst. 132, EL&RR, 18.4 ne Rankin; TD 11000; API #42-461-40852 Permit issued 4/25

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Sebastian 19-18-A #4401H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 3129 fsl, 858 fwl, Sec 19, Blk 38, T-5-S, Abst. 406, T&P RR, 26.6 n Rankin; TD 10174; API #42-461-40842 Permit issued 4/23

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Sebastian 19-18-A #4301H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 3159 fsl, 858 fwl, Sec 19, Blk 38, T-5-S, Abst. 406, T&P RR, 26.6 n Rankin; TD 9934; API #42-461-40843 Permit issued 4/23

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Sebastian 19-18-A #4201H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 3189 fsl, 858 fwl, Sec 19, Blk 38, T-5-S, Abst. 406, T&P RR, 26.6 n Rankin; TD 9648; API #42-461-40844 Permit issued 4/23

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
XBC Giddings Estate #1121H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 6130 fnl, 10727 fel, Abst. 542, Throckmorton CSL, 19 nw Rankin; TD 10680; API #42-461-40848 Permit issued 4/25

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
XBC Giddings Estate #1122H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 6130 fnl, 10677 fel, Abst. 542, Throckmorton CSL, 19 nw Rankin; TD 10680; API #42-461-40849 Permit issued 4/25

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
XBC Giddings Estate #1123H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 6130 fnl, 10667 fel, Abst. 542, Throckmorton CSL, 19 nw Rankin; TD 10680; API #42-461-40850 Permit issued 4/25

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
XBC Giddings Estate #1124H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 6130 fnl, 10637 fel, Abst. 542, Throckmorton CSL, 19 nw Rankin; TD 10680; API #42-461-40851 Permit issued 4/25

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Andrews County

Elevation Resources LLC
UL G 1-15 #4H
Emma (Mississippian)-Horizontal; 1680 fel, 2675 fsl, Sec 15, Blk 1, Abst. 15U, ULS, 8 se Andrews; TD 15000; API #42-003-47804 Permit issued 4/24

Texland Petroleum LP
Zelda #1
Deep Rock (Glorieta 5950); 620 fnl, 470 fwl, Sec 5, PSL, 6 w Andrews; TD 6100; API #42-003-47806 Permit issued 4/26

Texland Petroleum LP
Emory #12
Deep Rock (Glorieta 5950); 1290 fel, 580 fnl, Sec 22, Blk A-46, Abst. 2378, PSL, 6 w Andrews; TD 6100; API #42-003-47805 Permit issued 4/26

Culberson County

BTA Oil Producers LLC
Scramble 21802 #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 220 fnl, 1670 fwl, Sec 22, Blk 58, T-2, Abst. 6490, T&P RR, 9 w Orla; TD 12000; API #42-109-33315 Permit issued 4/23

Chevron USA Inc.
DR State Wise Unit 1 #0022WA
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 11079 fnl, 7032 fel, Sec 17, Blk 60, T-1, Abst. 2803, T&P RR, 24.45 nw Orla; TD 9000; API #42-109-33318 Permit issued 4/25

Chevron USA Inc.
DR State Wise Unit 1 #0023WA
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 11079 fnl, 7007

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Petroleum Professional Development Center

All classes will be held at the Midland College PPDC building, 221 N. Main St.

To register, go to the Midland College PPDC's New Website: https://mcce.midland.edu

Petoleum Land Management
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: May 8, 2018; End Date: May 9, 2018 – Tuesday – Wednesday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $649; Out of State: $674

New Course: LMKR: GGX – Project and Data Management Essentials
Registered directly with LMKR: cviteri@lmkr.com
Instructor: Andrew Vessel
Start Date: May 8-9, 2018 – Wednesday - Thursday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $1000

New Course: LMKR: PRIZM – Petrophysics Essentials
Registered directly with LMKR: cviteri@lmkr.com
Instructor: John French
Start Date: May 10 -11, 2018 – Monday – Tuesday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $1500

"OLD" (Pre-1958) Electric Logs: A Quick Review
Instructor: Dr. George Asquith
Start Date: May 11, 2018 – Friday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $425; Out of State: $450

Introduction to Log Interpretation and Quality
Instructor: Gary Batcheller
Start Date: May 14-16, 2018 – Monday – Wednesday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1095; Out of State: $1020

Gas Lift Design and Operations
Instructor: Michael K. Johnson
Start Date: May 14 – 17, 2018 – Monday – Thursday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1800; Out of State $1825.00

Division Orders 101
Instructor: Sherry Robinson
Start Date: May 15, 2018 – Tuesday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $400; Out of State: $425

Introduction to Well Completion
Instructor: Gary Batcheller
Start Date: May 17 -18, 2018 – Thursday - Friday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $720; Out of State: $745

Advanced SQL
Instructor: Mark Edgar
Start Date: May 21, 2018 – Monday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $450; Out of State

Economic Evaluation and Investment Decision Methods
Instructor: John Stermole
Start Date: May 21-24, 2018 – Monday – Thursday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $2595; Out of State $2620

Petra Fundamentals
Instructor: Greg Hinterlong
Start Date: May 22-23, 2018 – Tuesday - Wednesday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $625; Out of State $650

2018 Permian Basin Environmental Regulatory Seminar
Location: Midland College Carrasco Room – Main Campus
Start Date: May 24, 2018 – Thursday – 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: Now through April 22nd – Early Bird Pricing: $155 In state; $180 Out of State
Cost: April 23rd through May 13th – Full Price - $200 In State; $225 Out of State
Cost: May 14th -24th - Late: $250 Instate; $275 Out of State
(Price includes breakfast and lunch)

New Course: LMKR: Data Clean Up
Registered directly with LMKR: cviteri@lmkr.com
Instructor: Scott Oelfke
Start Date: May 31, 2018 – Thursday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $900

Right of Way Acquisition Training
Instructor: Don Valden
Start Date: May 30, 2018 - Wednesday– 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $500; $525 Out of State

Advanced Right of Way Acquisition Training
Instructor: Don Valden
Start Date: May 31, 2018 – Thursday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $500; $525 Out of State

Well Service and Pressure Control
Instructor: Mike Cure
Start Date: June 4, 2018 – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $375, Out of State $400

On-Line Division Order Certificate Program: Module 3 of 6: Land and Leasing
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: June 4, 2018; End Date: June 28, 2018; Registration Deadline: Noon, June 4, 2018
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50 - the required text is the NADOA Study Guide, which is $75 (one-time charge). Students need to join NADOA for $75 to download the "no cost" manual only available to members.

On-Line Land Management Certificate Program: Module 3 of 6: Oil and Gas Lease Interpretation, Negotiation and Interest Calculations
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: June 4, 2018; End Date: June 28, 2018; Registration Deadline: Noon, June 4, 2018
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50

Well Control Drilling/ Workover (WellSharp)
Instructor: Larry Chapman
Start Date: June 4 - 8, 2018 – Monday – Friday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1200; Out of State $1225

PetroSkills: Completions and Workover - CAW
Instructor: Hector Vargas
Start Date: June 4-8, 2018 – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $4610 - Register directly with PetroSkills

IHS Markit: Kingdom Basic Geological Data Loading
Instructor: Jenga Ngalawa
Start Date: June 4, 2018 - Monday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $700 - Register directly with IHS Markit

IHSMarkit: Kingdom Geological Interpretation
Instructor: Jenga Ngalawa
Start Date: June 5-6, 2018 – Tuesday – Wednesday - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $1400 - Register directly with IHS Markit

IHSMarkit: Kingdom Geosteering
Instructor: Jenga Ngalawa
Start Date: June 7, 2018 – Thursday - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $700 - Register directly with IHS Markit

SQL: Application to Oil/Gas Relational Database
Instructor: Mark Edgar
Start Date: June 12, 2018 - Tuesday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Cost: $375; Out of State: $400

Oilfield Terminology
Instructor: Tommy Lent
Start Date: June 12-13, 2018 – Tuesday – Wednesday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $430; Out of State: $455

New Course: LMKR: Shale Petrophysics Training
Registered directly with LMKR: cviteri@lmkr.com
Instructor: Marc Connolly
Start Date: June 13-14, 2018 – Wednesday - Thursday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $1560

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fel, Sec 17, Blk 60, T-1, Abst. 2803, T&P RR, 24.45 nw Orla; TD 9000; API #42-109-33319 Permit issued 4/25

Chevron USA Inc.
DR State Wise Unit 1 #0024WA
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 11079 fnl, 6982 fel, Sec 17, Blk 60, T-1, Abst. 2803, T&P RR, 24.45 nw Orla; TD 9000; API #42-109-33320 Permit issued 4/25

Chevron USA Inc.
DR State Wise Unit 1 #0021WA
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 11079 fnl, 7057 fel, Sec 17, Blk 60, T-1, Abst. 2803, T&P RR, 24.45 nw Orla; TD 9000; API #42-109-33321 Permit issued 4/25

Cimarex Energy Co.
Giacomo 11 Fee #4H
Derby (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 384 fsl, 2588 fel, Sec 2, Blk 60, T-1, Abst. 6994, T&P RR, 22.4 nw Orla; TD 10000; API #42-109-33323 Permit issued 4/27

Cimarex Energy Co.
Grindstone 2 Fee #4H
Derby (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 383 fsl, 2608 fel, Sec 2, Blk 60, T-1, Abst. 6994, T&P RR, 22.4 nw Orla; TD 10000; API #42-109-33317 Permit issued 4/27

Cimarex Energy Co.
Broker's Tip 24 State Unit #2H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 31 fsl, 2130 fwl, Sec 24, Blk 60, T-2, Abst. 5090, T&P RR, 18.5 w Orla; TD 12000; API #42-109-33325 Permit issued 4/27

Cimarex Energy Co.
Broker's Tip 24 State Unit #3H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 31 fsl, 2110 fwl, Sec 24, Blk 60, T-2, Abst. 5090, T&P RR, 18.5 w Orla; TD 12000; API #42-109-33326 Permit issued 4/27

Cimarex Energy Co.
Broker's Tip 24 State Unit #4H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 330 fsl, 1020 fwl, Sec 24, Blk 60, T-2, Abst. 5090, T&P RR, 18.7 w Orla; TD 12000; API #42-109-33327 Permit issued 4/27

Cimarex Energy Co.
Broker's Tip 24 State Unit #5H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 330 fsl, 1000 fwl, Sec 24, Blk 60, T-2, Abst. 5090, T&P RR, 18.7 w Orla; TD 12000; API #42-109-33328 Permit issued 4/27

Cimarex Energy Co.
Broker's Tip 24 State Unit #6H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 430 fsl, 1000 fel, Sec 24, Blk 60, T-2, Abst. 5090, T&P RR, 18.5 w Orla; TD 12000; API #42-109-33329 Permit issued 4/27

Cimarex Energy Co.
Broker's Tip 24 State Unit #7H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 430 fsl, 980 fel, Sec 24, Blk 60, T-2, Abst. 5090, T&P RR, 18.5 w Orla; TD 12000; API #42-109-33330 Permit issued 4/27

Cimarex Energy Co.
Broker's Tip 24 State Unit #8H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 430 fsl, 960 fel, Sec 24, Blk 60, T-2, Abst. 5090, T&P RR, 18.5 w Orla; TD 12000; API #42-109-33331 Permit issued 4/27

Scala Energy Operating LLC
Lili Von Shtupp State Unit 39 46 #1H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 399 fnl, 520 fwl, Sec 39, Blk 61, T-2, Abst. 2957, T&P RR, 26.19 se Pine Springs; TD 8500; API #42-109-33322 Permit issued 4/26

Ector County

Cross Timbers Energy LLC
Connell Heirs #3
Penwell (Fusselman); 757 fnl, 517 fel, Sec 12, Blk B-16, Abst. 900, PSL, 3.2 sw Penwell; TD 10000; API #42-135-43597 Permit issued 4/27

Fasken Oil and Ranch Ltd.
Fee "BJ" #113
Lowe West (Strawn); 990 fsl, 3302 fwl, Sec 1, Blk 41, T-1-N, Abst. 3, G&MMB&A, 5.7 ne Gardendale; TD 11500; API #42-135-43594 Permit issued 4/25

Sheridan Production Company LLC
Steakley 44A #05H
Goldsmith-Horizontal; 780 fsl, 1867 fel, Sec 41, Blk 44, T-1-S, Abst. 290, T&P RR, 8 nw Penwell; TD 12500; API #42-135-43593 Permit issued 4/23

Sheridan Production Company LLC
Steakley 44B #06H
Goldsmith-Horizontal; 782 fsl, 1826 fel, Sec 41, Blk 44, T-1-S, Abst. 290, T&P RR, 8 nw Penwell; TD 12500; API #42-135-43592 Permit issued 4/23

Glasscock County

Cinnabar Operating LLC
Matthew PSA "F" #0702HD
Garden City South (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 675 fnl, 378 fwl, Sec 7, Blk 34, T-2-S, Abst. 520, Wade RR Co., 16.3 nw Garden City; TD 10500; API #42-173-37857 Permit issued 4/24

Cinnabar Operating LLC
Matthew PSA "G" #0702DD
Garden City South (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 685 fnl, 2237 fel, Sec 7, Blk 34, T-2-S, Abst. 520, T&P RR, 16.3 nw Garden City; TD 10500; API #42-173-37873 Permit issued 4/25

Diamondback E&P LLC
Riley X 1807 #6WB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1980 fel, 2040 fsl, Sec 18, Blk 35, T-4-S, Abst. 999, T&P RR, 11.4 sw Garden City; TD 9550; API #42-173-37878 Permit issued 4/27

Diamondback E&P LLC
Riley Y 1807 #6WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1950 fel, 2040 fsl, Sec 18, Blk 35, T-4-S, Abst. 999, T&P RR, 11.4 sw Garden City; TD 9325; API #42-173-37879 Permit issued 4/27

Energen Resources Corporation
Sites SN 9-4 01 #101H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 330 fwl, 601 fnl, Sec 16, Blk 34, T-5-S, Abst. 970, T&P RR, 2.6 ne St. Lawrence; TD 9500; API #42-173-37882 Permit issued 4/26

Energen Resources Corporation
Sites SN 9-4 06 #106H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 330 fel, 600 fnl, Sec 16, Blk 34, T-5-S, Abst. 970, T&P RR, 3.4 ne St. Lawrence; TD 9500; API #42-173-37883 Permit issued 4/26

Oxy USA Inc.
E.L. Powell BC #1603A
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 126 fsl, 1586 fwl, Sec 9, Blk 35, T-3-S, Abst. 316, T&P RR, 11.8 nw Garden City; TD 9000; API #42-173-37877 Permit issued 4/26

Howard County

Diamondback E&P LLC
Middle Knott Unit 21 #4LS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1115 fel, 270 fsl, Sec 21, Blk 34, T-2-N, Abst. 400, T&P RR, 13.1 ne Big Spring; TD 8750; API #42-227-39546 Permit issued 4/23

Diamondback E&P LLC
Middle Knott Unit 21 #5LS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1095 fel, 270 fsl, Sec 21, Blk 34, T-2-N, Abst. 400, T&P RR, 13.1 ne Big Spring; TD 8750; API #42-227-39590 Permit issued 4/25

Diamondback E&P LLC
Lilly 49 Unit #3WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1169 fwl, 270 fnl, Sec 49, Blk A, Abst. 593, Bauer & Cockrell, 14.4 nw Big Spring; TD 9175; API #42-227-39560 Permit issued 4/24

Diamondback E&P LLC
Bullfrog 47 North A Unit #7WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2304 fel, 2429 fsl, Sec 47, Blk 34, T-3-N, Abst. 511, T&P RR, 17.9 nw Big Spring; TD 9340; API #42-227-39567 Permit issued 4/27

Energen Resources Corporation
Powell SN 36-25 06 #606H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 329 fsl, 362 fel, Sec 36, Blk 34, T-3-N, Abst. 1410, T&P RR, 5.6 nw Knott; TD 9500; API #42-227-39581 Permit issued 4/25

Grenadier Energy Partners II LLC
Leech 32-41 Unit A #1LS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 500 fsl, 330 fwl, Sec 29, Blk 31, T-1-N, Abst. 94, &TP RR, 2.67 nw Sand Springs; TD 15000; API #42-227-39589 Permit issued 4/25

Oxy USA Inc.
Morris Grantham B 2308 #1WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 350 fnl, 1480 fel, Sec 23, Blk 33, T-1-S, Abst. 369, T&P RR, 4.5 s Big Spring; TD ,9000; API #42-227-39588 Permit issued 4/27

Surge Operating LLC
Shroyer-Wilson Unit B 23-14 #6AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 345 fnl, 866 fwl, Sec 14, Blk 33, T-2-N, Abst. 1106, T&P RR, 13.54 n Big Spring;

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Jet Pumps can save thousands on lifting costs with proper application

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A gassy, low-pressure reservoir is as common in West Texas as the beam pumping systems used to produce them. However, there are many problem wells that are not cost effective with a beam pump due to frequent failures from severe dog legs, deviation, sand or gas. In these cases a jet pump might be the best choice.

"Everyone needs a jet pump in their production tool box for these cases," says Jesse Hernandez. Hernandez has teamed-up with Production Lift Companies, bringing his decades of experience in jet pumps and artificial lift. He wants to help producers qualify wells properly and save them money on lifting costs.

The jet pump offers solutions to several types of problem wells in two main ways: First, it has no moving parts. Second, the method of transferring energy from the surface involves pumping high pressure fluids that can be transmitted around deviated or horizontal geometries while offering high tolerance to solids and gas. This lack of moving parts makes jet pumps impervious to damage from frac sand or gas, which is common in new unconventional reservoirs.

Many of the well completion solutions and new technological advancements available today were not accessible when the jet pump was originally implemented. Much advancement has been made with surface process systems and surface power pumps, which make the system more reliable.

Lift capability depends on the casing diameter because the casing determines the maximum fluid volumes that can circulate in the well. "Meeting expectations is a matter of specifics," says Hernandez, who has worked with jet pumps and all forms of artificial lift in South America, Eastern Europe, Russia, Southeast Asia, Middle East, Africa, and the Permian Basin. One of the benefits of Jet pumps is that they can be retrieved without a pulling unit.

With any lift system, "The reservoir, production history, fluid and well bore must be understood. It is also good to consider future reservoir maintenance plans," Hernandez explains.

"Also, it's important to understand that the jet pump doesn't operate alone—ancillary well completion equipment and surface process systems must be engineered for specific characteristics. Low reservoir pressures, gas (slugging) and sand are the most challenging parameters. Knowing what technology is available and how to apply it requires a comprehensive approach to design and engineering. Simplicity continues to be a major design objective, but not with compromises in remedial options especially when dealing with todays complicated well geometries.

Large investments are made in oil wells. It would greatly benefit the operator to include a temperature and pressure instrument to show how the investment is affecting the total return.

"For example: In t doctor's office, first activity is the measurement of temperature and pressure; this should be the same for oil wells. We spend thousands of dollars fracking, stimulating and pumping wells—shouldn't we spend a little more to improve the return on investment?

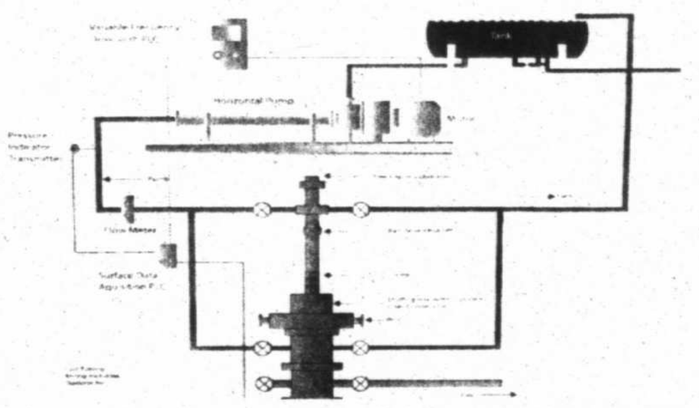
"Information leads to the proper optimization of the life cycle of the well and its cost," says Hernandez.

For Production Lift clients, this holistic approach to artificial lift design and application comes with the package. Production Lift offers a turnkey engineered product that include downhole monitors with all lift methods. Equipped with pertinent well data from the producer, Jesse and a team of experts evaluates what is needed and makes recommendations aimed at giving clients the best and most cost-effective production method from the formation.

For Hernandez, the benefit of the Production Lift Companies is the range of lift systems offered and the ability to recommend the best lift system for the wells needs.

Hernandez admits that a jet pump is not the best lift system for every well. However, there are a lot of wells that can benefit from the jet pump that are not being considered today for lack of knowledge.

Today, cost is the major factor in many production



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Esco Hamlin Unit 20-17 #3AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 4 fsl, 1766 fwl, Sec 20, Blk 32, T-2-N, Abst. 1242, T&P RR, 11.91 n Big Spring; TD 10000; API #42-227-39595 Permit issued 4/27

Surge Operating LLC
SFH Unit B 23-26 #8AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2102 fnl, 343 fel, Sec 23, Blk 33, T-2-N, Abst. 329, T&P RR, 12.2 nw Big Spriong; TD 10000; API #42-227-39598 Permit issued 4/27

Loving County

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Poplar 55-1-24 Unit #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 400 fsl, 525 fel, Sec 13, Blk 55, T-1, Abst. 98, T&P RR, 18.39 nw Mentone; TD 12500; API #42-301-33972 Permit issued 4/23

EOG Resources Inc.
Orion A 5 #1HR
Sandbar (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 185 fnl, 628 fwl, Sec 24, Blk 54, T-1, Abst. 1265, T&P RR, 17.2 n Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33974 Permit issued 4/23

Energen Resources Corporation
El Patron Unit #4H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 355 fsel, 760 fswl, Sec 23, Blk C-25, Abst. 1008, PSL, 18.3 ne Mentone; TD 14000; API #42-301-33982 Permit issued 4/27

Iskandia Energy Operating Inc.
WD Johnson 22S #11
Dimmitt (Delaware Consolidated); 691 fnl, 1888 fwl, Sec 22, Blk 53, Abst. 1074, T&P RR, 9.7 ne Mentone; TD 7000; API #42-301-33977 Permit issued 4/24

Iskandia Energy Operating Inc.
WD Johnson 22S #12
Dimmitt (Delaware Consolidated); 2200 fnl, 2064 fwl, Sec 22, Blk 53, T-2, Abst. 1074, T&P RR, 9.7 ne Mentone; TD 7000; API #42-301-33975 Permit issued 4/24

Iskandia Energy Operating Inc.
Lacy et al –B- #6
Dimmitt (Delaware Consolidated); 1962 fsl, 1981 fwl, Sec 14, Blk 53, T-2, Abst. 1361, T&P RR, 11 ne Mentone; TD 7000; API #42-301-33976 Permit issued 4/24

Matador Production Company
Magnus Larson 04-TTT-B02 #203H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 375 fnel, 1102 fsel, Sec 4, Blk 2, Abst. 469, W&NW RR, 3.2 n Mentone; TD 11000; API #42-301-33978 Permit issued 4/27

Matador Production Company
Howard Posner 83-TTT-B33 #204H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 1525 fsel, 3303 fswl, Sec 83, Blk 33, Abst. 9, H&TC RR, 1.3 nwMentone; TD 11000; API #42-301-33981 Permit issued 4/27

RSP Permian LLC
Piston 24-10 E #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 330 fsl, 330 fel, Sec 10, Blk C-24, Abst. 1250, PSL, 22 ne Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33973 Permit issued 4/23

Martin County

Ajax Resources LLC
Vineyard HZ F Unit #9701WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1659 fnl, 339 fel, Sec 257, Abst. 596, Briscoe CSL, 16.12 nw Tarzan; TD 10000; API #42-317-41411 Permit issued 4/26

Ajax Resources LLC
Vineyard HZ F Unit #9701MS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1659 fnl, 379 fel, Sec 257, Abst. 596, Briscoe CSL, 16.2 nw Tarzan; TD 10000; API #42-317-41409 Permit issued 4/26

Ajax Resources LLC
Vineyard HZ F Unit #9701LS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1659 fnl, 359 fel, Sec 257, Abst. 596, Briscoe CSL, 16.12 nw Tarzan; TD 10000; API #42-317-41410 Permit issued 4/26

Ajax Resources LLC
Vineyard HZ L Unit #9701MS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 10 fel, 550 fnl, Sec 257, Abst. 596, Briscoe CSL, 16.12 nw Tarzan; TD 10000; API #42-317-41407 Permit issued 4/25

Ajax Resources LLC
Vineyard HZ L Unit #9701LS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 30 fel, 550 fnl, Sec 257, Abst. 596, Briscoe CSL, 16.12 nw Tarzan; TD 10000; API #42-317-41408 Permit issued 4/26

Ajax Resources LLC
Vineyard HZ L Unit #9701WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 550 fnl, 50 fel, Sec 257, Abst. 596, Briscoe CSL, 16.12 nw Tarzan; TD 10000; API #42-317-41406 Permit issued 4/25

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
Shaw 13-8 #183
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 498 fsl, 260 fwl, Sec 13, Blk 35, T-2-N, Abst. 71, T&P RR, 5.5 ne Lenorah; TD 12000; API #42-317-41405 Permit issued 4/25

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Woody-McMorries 31G #7H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 618 fsl, 950 fwl, Sec 31, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 251, T&P RR, 14.1 nw Stanton; TD 10735; API #42-317-41369 Permit issued 4/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Woody-McMorries 31I #9H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 618 fsl, 990 fwl, Sec 31, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 251, T&P RR, 14.1 nw Stanton; TD 10735; API #42-317-41372 Permit issued 4/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Woody-McMorries 31J #10H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 618 fsl, 1010 fwl, Sec 31, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 251, T&P RR, 14.1 nw Stanton; TD 10735; API #42-317-41374 Permit issued 4/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Woody-McMorries 31K #11H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 618 fsl, 1030 fwl, Sec 31, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 251, T&P RR, 14.1 nw Stanton; TD 10735; API #42-317-41375 Permit issued 4/27

XTO Energy Inc.
Lenorah 1-22 #0622SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 421 fwl, 600 fnl, Sec 18, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 623, T&P RR, 5.5 se Lenorah; TD 8530; API #42-317-41345 Permit issued 4/24

Midland County

COG Operating LLC
Marion V. Benge Estate A16 #2504MH
Parks (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 265 fnl, 2170 fel, Sec 21, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 283, T&P RR, 14.1 sw Midland; TD 12000; API #42-329-42461 Permit issued 4/23

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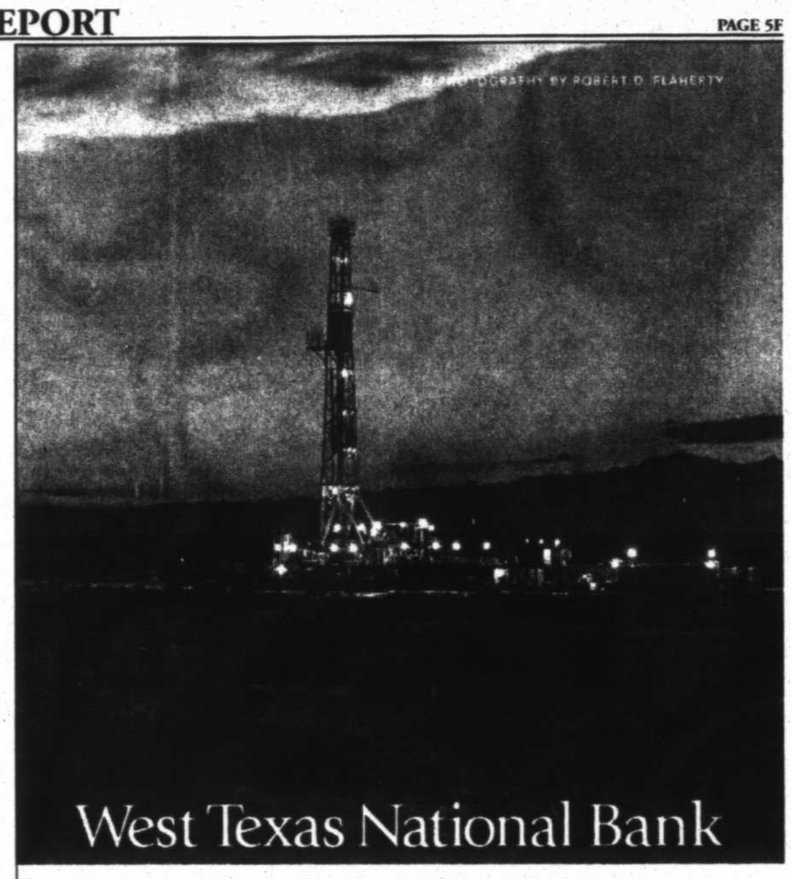

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COG Operating LLC
Marion V. Benge Estate A19 #2515CH
Parks (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 355 fnl, 2214 fel, Sec 21, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 283, T&P RR, 14.1 sw Midland; TD 12000; API #42-329-42464 Permit issued 4/23

COG Operating LLC
Marion V. Benge Estate A9 #2504BH
Parks (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 355 fnl, 2169 fel, Sec 21, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 283, T&P RR, 14.1 sw Midland; TD 12000; API #42-329-42463 Permit issued 4/23

COG Operating LLC
Marion V. Benge Estate A10 #2515LH
Parks (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 265 fnl, 2215 fel, Sec 21, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 283, T&P RR, 14.1 sw Midland; TD 12000; API #42-329-42465 Permit issued 4/23

Fasken Oil and Ranch Ltd.
Fee "BJ" #112
Lowe West (Strawn); 1750 fsl, 4132 fwl, Sec 1, Blk 41, T-1-N, Abst. 2, T&P RR, 5.9 ne Gardendale; TD 11500; API #42-329-42452 Permit issued 4/23

Henry Resources LLC
Gwendolyn #2615LB
Parks (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 3147 fnl, 2650 fel, Sec 26, Blk 41, T-2-S, Abst. 1025, T&P RR, 7.4 ne Odessa; TD 12500; API #42-329-42460 Permit issued 4/26

Hunt Oil Company
Boone-Coffee 30 #203HL
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2410 fsl, 943 fwl, Sec 8, Blk 36, T-3-S, Abst. 946, T&P RR, 18.27 se Midland; TD 8175; API #42-329-42455 Permit issued 4/27

Permian Deep Rock Oil Co. LLC
Waffle Iron #H240MS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 267 fnwl, 530 fswl, Sec 43, Blk 38, Abst. 31, T&P RR, 2.2 ne Midland; TD 8500; API #42-329-42453 Permit issued 4/24

XTO Energy Inc.
Comancheros 19-31 3101 #3101BH
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 161 fwl, 664 fsl, Sec 18, Blk 37, Abst. 906, T&P RR, 14.2 se Midland; TD 9500; API #42-329-42468 Permit issued 4/27

XTO Energy Inc.
Comancheros 19-31 3111 #3111AH
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 261 fwl, 669 fsl, Sec 18, Blk 37, Abst. 906, T&P RR, 14.2 se Midland; TD 9200; API #42-329-42469 Permit issued 4/27

XTO Energy Inc.
Comancheros 19-31 3181 #3181NH
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 211 fwl, 666 fsl, Sec 18, Blk 37, Abst. 906, T&P RR, 14.2 se Midland; TD 10500; API #42-329-42471 Permit issued 4/27

XTO Energy Inc.
Comancheros 19-31 3102 #3102BH
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 910 fwl, 708 fsl, Sec 18, Blk 37, Abst. 906, T&P RR, 14.2 se Midland; TD 9500; API #42-329-42472 Permit issued 4/27

XTO Energy Inc.
Comancheros 19-31 3112 #3112AH
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 960 fwl, 711 fsl, Sec 18, Blk 37, Abst. 906, T&P RR, 14.2 se Midland; TD 9200; API #42-329-42473 Permit issued 4/27

XTO Energy Inc.
Comancheros 19-31 3113 #3113AH
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 1610 fwl, 749 fsl, Sec 18, Blk 37, Abst. 906, T&P RR, 14.2 se Midland; TD 9100; API #42-329-42475 Permit issued 4/27

XTO Energy Inc.
Comancheros 19-31 3104 #3104BH
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 2209 fwl, 785 fsl, Sec 18, Blk 37, Abst. 906, T&P RR, 14.3 se Midland; TD 9500; API #42-329-42476 Permit issued 4/27

XTO Energy Inc.
Comancheros 19-31 3114 #3114AH
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 2259 fwl, 788 fsl, Sec 18, Blk 37, Abst. 906, T&P RR, 14.3 se Midland; TD 9100; API #42-329-42477 Permit issued 4/27

Mitchell County

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Spade Ranch #W061
High Plains (Ellenburger); 2514 fwl, 12687.26 fnl, Sec 8, Blk 18, Abst. 927, SP RR, 11.6 s Westbrook; TD 8000; API #42-335-35980 Permit issued 4/24

Pecos County

Diamondback E&P LLC
Kelley State Kamo B 22-23 #2WA
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 234 fel, 546 fsl, Sec 21, Blk 48, T-8-S, Abst. 884, T&P RR, 8.29 sw Coyanosa; TD 11200; API #42-371-39724 Permit issued 4/25

Diamondback E&P LLC
Kelley State Kamo A 22-23 #1WA
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 234 fel, 516 fsl, Sec 21, Blk 48, T-8-S, Abst. 884, T&P RR, 8.29 sw Coyanosa; TD 11200; API #42-371-39723 Permit issued 4/25

Gary Permian LLC
Columbine #5H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1665 fsl, 1 fel, Sec 6, Blk 118, Abst. 5651, T&STL RR, 4 se Fort Stockton; TD 9000; API #42-371-39728 Permit issued 4/26

Gary Permian LLC
Trail Ridge #1H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 360 fnl, 495 fwl, Sec 16, Blk 132, Abst. 5134, T&STL RR, 10.7 se Fort Stockton; TD 10000; API #42-371-39735 Permit issued 4/24

Gary Permian LLC
Coffee Pot #1H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 390 fnl, 495 fwl, Sec 16, Blk 132, Abst. 5134, T&STL RR, 10.7 se Fort Stockton; TD 10000; API #42-371-39736 Permit issued 4/23

Incline Energy
Imperial Fee #5
Abell (Upper Clearfork)-Horizontal; 1 fsl, 467 fel, Sec 25, Blk 9, Abst. 265, H&GN RR, 3.5 ne Imperial; TD 3300; API #42-371-39738 Permit issued 4/27

SBJ Oil & Gas LLC
Wilson 33 #3
Walker (Pennsylvanian Detrital); 933 fsl, 1900 fel, Sec 33, Blk Z, Abst. 4070, HE&WT RR, 13 w Iraan; TD 7800; API #42-371-39703 Permit issued 4/26

Reeves County

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Saratoga State 54-4-10 Unit #4H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 615 fnl, 1600 fwl, Sec 22, Blk 54, T-4-S, Abst. 3779, T&P RR, 13.44 nw Pecos; TD 11620; API #42-389-37082 Permit issued 4/27

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Saratoga State 54-4-10 Unit #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 615 fnl, 1540 fwl, Sec 22, Blk 54, T-4-S, Abst. 3779, T&P RR, 13.44 nw Pecos; TD 11600; API #42-389-37080 Permit issued 4/27

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BTA Oil Producers LLC
Blacktop 21601 1 #4H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 330 fnl, 2625 fwl, Sec 1, Blk C-20, Abst. 2525, PSL, 5 se Orla; TD 10750; API #42-389-37058 Permit issued 4/23

Carrizon (Permian) LLC
Fleming 13 #10H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 333 fnl, 1001 fwl, Sec 13, Blk C-18, Abst. 1486, PSL, 10.2 sw Pecos; TD 11000; API #42-389-37076 Permit issued 4/25

Centennial Resource Production LLC
Carpenter State C #U 09H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 349 fsl, 1570 fwl, Sec 248, Blk 13, Abst. 1605, H&GN RR, 18.9 sw Pecos; TD 10500; API #42-389-37024 Permit issued 4/26

Centennial Resource Production LLC
Carpenter State D #U 16H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 349 fsl, 280 fwl, Sec 248, Blk 13, Abst. 1605, H&GN RR, 18.9 sw Pecos; TD 10500; API #42-389-37061 Permit issued 4/27

Centennial Resource Production LLC
Carpenter State E #U 23H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 349 fsl, 310 fwl, Sec 248, Blk 13, Abst. 1605, H&GN RR, 18.9 sw Pecos; TD 10500; API #42-389-37085 Permit issued 4/26

Centennial Resource Production LLC
Carpenter State F #U 40H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 348 fsl, 880 fel, Sec 248, Blk 13, Abst. 1605, H&GN RR, 19 se Pecos; TD 11000; API #42-389-37068 Permit issued 4/25

COG Operating LLC
White Crow Unit #3301H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 262 fnl, 458 fsel, Sec 133, Blk 1, Abst. 945, H&TC RR, 11.82 ne Saragosa; TD 10600; API #42-389-37088 Permit issued 4/27

Energen Resources Corporation
Skyfall State Unit 55-8 A #605H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 250 fsl, 1380 fel, Sec 8, Blk 55, T-4-S, Abst. 2098, T&P RR, 9 sw Mentone; TD 14500; API #42-389-36882 Permit issued 4/23

EOG Resources Inc.
State Rio Unit #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 350 fsl, 639 fwl, Sec 9, Blk 57, Abst. 2241, PSL, 15.2 s Orla; TD 14000; API #42-389-37071 Permit issued 4/23

EOG Resources Inc.
State Rio Unit #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 350 fsl, 672 fwl, Sec 9, Blk 57, Abst. 2241, PSL, 15.2 s Orla; TD 14000; API #42-389-37072 Permit issued 4/23

EOG Resources Inc.
State Rio Unit #3H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 676 fel, 350 fsl, Sec 9, Blk 57, Abst. 2241, PSL, 15.2 s Orla; TD 14000; API #42-389-37073 Permit issued 4/23

EOG Resources Inc.
State Rio Unit #4H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 350 fsl, 644 fel, Sec 9, Blk 57, Abst. 2241, PSL, 15.2 s Orla; TD 14000; API #42-389-37074 Permit issued 4/23

Luxe Operating LLC
Angels Envy 4-3W Unit #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 374 fsl, 727 fwl, Sec 11, Blk C-18, Abst. 5740, PSL, 8.7 ne Toyah; TD 12000; API #42-389-37079 Permit issued 4/27

Mewbourne Oil Company
TXL South 56-T2-2X11 #W101CF
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 275 fnl, 848 fel, Sec 2, Blk 56, T-2, Abst. 1963, T&P RR, 37.4 nw Pecos; TD 12000; API #42-389-37057 Permit issued 4/23

Oxy USA WTP LP
Cooper 27-26-1W #11H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 881 fnl, 230 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 51, T-7-S, Abst. 743, T&P RR, 14.1 se Pecos; TD 14000; API #42-389-37047 Permit issued 4/23

PDC Permian Inc.
Liam State 53-12 #A 2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 251 fnl, 718 fwl, Sec 12, Blk 53, Abst. 3237, PSL, 15.95 sw Orla; TD 13000; API #42-389-37093 Permit issued 4/27

PDC Permian Inc.
Liam State 53-12 #C 3H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 277 fnl, 719 fwl, Sec 12, Blk 53, Abst. 3237, PSL, 15.97 sw Orla; TD 13000; API #42-389-37094 Permit issued 4/27

PDC Permian Inc.
Liam State 53-12 #C 4H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 250 fnl, 718 fwl, Sec 12, Blk 53, Abst. 3237, PSL, 15.95 sw Orla; TD 13000; API #42-389-37095 Permit issued 4/27

Primexx Operating Corporation
BlancoUnit 224-223W #1H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 986 fsl, 467 fwl, Sec 224, Blk 13, Abst. 1682, H&GN RR, 28.5 s Pecos; TD 11000; API #42-389-37067 Permit issued 4/23

Rosetta Resources Operating LP
Monroe 28-39 Unit D #13HL
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 386 fsl, 1425 fel, Sec 27, Blk 5, Abst. 434, H&GN RR, 6.3 se Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-37049 Permit issued 4/24

Rosetta Resources Operating LP
Calamity Jane #2136H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 7018 fswl, 2797 fnwl, Sec 21, Blk C-6, Abst. 4893, PSL, 11.3 se Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-37063 Permit issued 4/23

Rosetta Resources Operating LP
Calamity Jane #2120H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 7018 fswl, 2827 fnwl, Sec 21, Blk C-6, Abst. 4893, PSL, 11.3 se Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-37064 Permit issued 4/23

Rosetta Resources Operating LP
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Rosetta Resources Operating LP
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Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 7018 fswl, 2887 fnwl, Sec 21, Blk C-6, Abst. 4893, PSL, 11.3 se Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-37066 Permit issued 4/23

Rosetta Resources Operating LP
Lone Ranger State 192-191 Unit B #11H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 381 fswl, 224 fsel, Sec 197, Blk 13, Abst. 520, H&GN RR, 12.2 sw Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-37069 Permit issued 4/23

Rosetta Resources Operating LP
Lone Ranger State 192-191 Unit B #12HL
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 351 fswl, 224 fsel, Sec 197, Blk 13, Abst. 520, H&GN RR, 12.2 sw Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-37070 Permit issued 4/24

Rosetta Resources Operating LP
Cole Younger State 30-23 Unit A #1H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 672 fnwl, 291 fnel, Sec 23, Blk 5, Abst. 432, H&GN RR, 3.1 se Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-37104 Permit issued 4/27

Rosetta Resources Operating LP
Cole Younger State 30-23 Unit A #31H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 702 fnwl, 291 fnel, Sec 23, Blk 5, Abst. 432, H&GN RR, 3.1 se Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-37105 Permit issued 4/27

WPX Energy Permian LLC
Chance State 4 #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 358 fnl, 332 fwl, Sec 5, Blk 54, T-7-S, Abst. 172, T&P RR, 16.3 sw Pecos; TD 16000; API #42-389-37090 Permit issued 4/27

Ward County

Felix Energy Holdings II LLC
UL Princeton 3427-16 #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 451 fwl, 1150 fnl, Sec 34, Blk 16, Abst. 34U, ULS, 0.47 se Pyote; TD 14000; API #42-475-37523 Permit issued 4/23

Felix Energy Holdings II LLC
UL Princeton 3427-16 #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 471 fwl, 1150 fnl, Sec 34, Blk 16, Abst. 34U, ULS, 0.47 se Pyote; TD 14000; API #42-475-37524 Permit issued 4/23

Halcon Operating Co. Inc.
Sealy Ranch #6606H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 1326 fnel, 20789 fnwl, Sec 67, Blk F, Abst. 977, G&MMB&A, 6.6 ne Pyote; TD ;12000; API #42-475-37527 Permit issued 4/27

Winkler County

Blackbeard Operating LLC
J.B. Walton #501
Kermit; 990 fsl, 3642 fel, Sec 18, Blk 77, Abst. 1844, PSL, 5.4 n Kermit; TD 5000; API #42-495-34102 Permit issued 4/23

Blackbeard Operating LLC
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Kermit; 2310 fsl, 6366 fel, Sec 17, Blk 77, Abst. 1845, PSL, 5.7 n Kermit; TD 5000; API #42-495-34103 Permit issued 4/23

Champion Lone Star Operating LLC
CLS Walton #0636NW
Kermit; 1321 fwl, 6615 fnl, Sec 36, Blk 74, Abst. 1843, PSL, 6.2 nw Kermit; TD 3700; API #42-495-34116 Permit issued 4/24

Champion Lone Star Operating LLC
CLS Walton #0736NW
Kermit; 1980 fwl, 6620 fnl, Sec 36, Blk 74, Abst. 1843, PSL, 6.2 nw Kermit; TD 3700; API #42-495-34118 Permit issued 4/26

Champion Lone Star Operating LLC
CLS Walton #0201NW
Kermit; 1980 fwl, 4593 fsl, Sec 1, Blk 26, Abst. 1839, PSL, 5.3 nw Kermit; TD 3700; API #42-495-34117 Permit issued 4/26

Champion Lone Star Operating LLC
CLS Walton #0701SE
Kermit; 676 fel, 1310 fsl, Sec 1, Blk 26, Abst. 1839, PSL, 4.6 nw Kermit; TD 3700; API #42-495-34120 Permit issued 4/26

Champion Lone Star Operating LLC
CLS Walton #1501NW
Kermit; 1983 fwl, 2637 fsl, Sec 1, Blk 26, Abst. 1839, PSL, 5 nw Kermit; TD 3700; API #42-495-34119 Permit issued 4/26

Felix Energy Holdings II LLC
UL Spruce 1621-21 #2H
Two Georges (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 473 fwl, 636 fnl, Sec 16, Blk 21, Abst. 56U, ULS, 4.27 w Wink; TD 14000; API #42-495-34105 Permit issued 4/27

Felix Energy Holdings II LLC
UL Spruce 1621-21 #4H
Two Georges (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 461 fwl, 620 fnl, Sec 16, Blk 21, Abst. 56U, ULS, 4.27 w Wink; TD 14000; API #42-495-34107 Permit issued 4/25

Impetro Operating LLC
Ox #1H
Sandbar (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 1291 fwl, 2187 fnl, Sec 14, Blk C-23, Abst. 1387, PSL, 13 nw Kermit; TD 12500; API #42-495-34121 permit issued 4/27

Oasis Petroleum Permian LLC
UL Sugarloaf E 20-37-48 #5205H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 443 fel, 173 fnl, Sec 37, Blk 20, Abst. 32U, ULS, 7.7 sw Wink; TD 12500; API #42-495-34114 Permit issued 4/23

Oasis Petroleum Permian LLC
UL Sugarloaf C 20-37-48 #5203H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 383 fel, 173 fnl, Sec 37, Blk 20, Abst. 32U, ULS, 7.7 sw Wink; TD 12500; API #42-495-34112 Permit issued 4/23

Oasis Petroleum Permian LLC
UL Sugarloaf D 20-37-48 #5104H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 413 fel, 173 fnl, Sec 37, Blk 20, Abst. 32U, ULS, 7.7 sw Wink; TD 12500; API #42-495-34113 Permit issued 4/23

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Borden County

Surge Operating LLC
Orthus Unit A 24-22 #2AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 262 fsl, 673 fwl, Sec 34, Blk 31, T-3-N, Abst. 847, T&P RR, 9.9 e Vealmoor; TD 10000; API #42-033-32466 Permit issued 4/23

Crosby County

Juno Operating Company III LLC
Sue Hancock #618
Hoople (Clearfork); 330 fnl, 955 fel, Sec 6, Blk B-9, Abst. 1150, EL&RR, 6.9 ne Slaton; TD 5000; API #42-107-32154 Permit issued 4/23

Gaines County

Ring Energy Inc.
Loki #2H
ODC Northeast (San Andres)-Horizontal; 150 fsl, 2023 fel, Sec 305, Blk G, Abst. 69, CCSD&RGNG, 12.3 nw Seminole; TD 6500; API #42-165-38708 Permit issued 4/24

Sheridan Production Company LLC
Dunbar D #2H
Dempsey Creek (San Andres)-Horizontal; 810 fsl, 1135 fwl, Sec 25, Blk A-12, Abst. 360, PSL, 25 sw Seminole; TD 10600; API #42-165-38711 Permit issued 4/27

Lubbock County

Texland Petroleum LP
Serenity 10 #2
Ropes East (Clearfork); 696 fnl, 678 fwl, Sec 10, Blk D-6, Abst. 849, B&B, 10 w Lubbock; TD 6200; API #42-303-31616 Permit issued 4/26

Scurry County

Browning Oil Company Inc.
Hargrove 49 #1H
Garden City South (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 189 fsl, 330 fel, Sec 49, Blk 3, Abst. 610, H&TC RR, 14.8 ne Snyder; TD 7500; API #42-415-35397 Permit issued 4/26

Kinder Morgan Production Co. LLC
SACROC Unit #188-3A
Kelly-Snyder; 6237 fsl, 3106 fel, Sec 15, Blk 1, Abst. 470, J.P. Smith, 1.58 nw Snyder; TD 7800; API #42-415-35400 Permit issued 4/27

Kinder Morgan Production Co. LLC
SACROC Unit #191-3
Kelly-Snyder; 974 fel, 762 fsl, Sec 180, Blk 3, Abst. 565, H&GN RR, 1.26 nw Snyder; TD 7800; API #42-415-35401 Permit issued 4/27

Yoakum County

Custer & Wright Operating Inc.
Sieber #5H
Platang (San Andres)-Horizontal; 1050 fwl, 200 fsl, Sec 415, Blk D, Abst. 340, J.H. Gibson, 12 w Plains; TD 10355; API #42-501-36991 Permit issued 4/25

Custer & Wright Operating Inc.
Sieber #6H
Platang (San Andres)-Horizontal; 660 fwl, 200 fsl, Sec 415, Blk D, Abst. 340, J.H. Gibson, 12 w Plains; TD 10145; API #42-501-36992 Permit issued 4/25

Hadaway Consulting and Engineering LLC
Giddyup 611 #5H
Sable (San Andres)-Horizontal; 250 fsl, 1870 fel, Sec 611, Blk D, Abst. 580, J.H. Gibson, 6.77 se Plains; TD 5321; API #42-501-36995 Permit issued 4/23

Hadaway Consulting and Engineering LLC
Old Switcheroo 418 #3H
Sable (San Andres)-Horizontal; 250 fsl, 2617 fwl, Sec 418, Blk D, Abst. 1607, J.H. Gibson, 8.98 nw Plains; TD 5318; API #42-501-36996 Permit issued 4/23

Steward Energy II LLC
Fandango 536 #1H
Platang (San Andres)-Horizontal; 20 fel, 225 fnl, Sec 583, Blk D, Abst. 558, J.H. Gibson, 11.39 sw Plains; TD 5600; API #42-501-36994 Permit issued 4/23

Wishbone Texas Operating Co. LLC
Badger 709 C #5XH
Platang (San Andres)-Horizontal; 475 fnl, 53 fwl, Sec 709, Blk D, Abst. 497, J.H. Gibson, 11.36 nw Denver City; TD 9000; API #42-501-36993 Permit issued 4/23

Wishbone Texas Operating Co. LLC
Longhorn 708 A #1H
Platang (San Andres)-Horizontal; 190 fnl, 330 fwl, Sec 708, Blk D, Abst. 1531, J.H. Gibson, 10.51 nw Denver City; TD 9000; API #42-501-36997 Permit issued 4/26

New Mexico

Chaves County

Cobra Oil & Gas Corp.
Wishbone St SWD #1
SWD; Sec 1 T11S R31E; 1672/S & 476/W; 4 1/2 mi W Caprock; Rot 11800 Devonian; API #30-005-29217

Eddy County

Percussion Petroleum Operating LLC
Chalk Bluff State SWD #1
SWD-Re-Entry of Humble Oil & Refining Co, Chalk Bluff Unit #2, F_ _, Old TD 9294; Sec 32 t17S R27E; 1930/S & 1880/W; 6 mi SE Artesia; Rot 9294 Cisco Canyon; API #30-015-00604

COG Operating LLC
Mustang 34 Fed Com #24
Penasco Draw; Sec 34 T18S R25E; 2190/N & 150/W; 9 mi SW Artesia; Rot 8120 San Andres Yeso; API #30-015-44817

Percussion Petroleum Operating LLC
Morris Arco 26 #2
SWD-Re-Entry of Nearburg Prod Co, P&A, Old TD 8025; Sec 26 T19S R25E; 990/N & 1650/E; 4 mi W Lakewood; Rot 8100 Canyon; API #30-015-29258

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Derringer 18 B3MP Fed #2
Russell; Sec 18 T20S R25E; 290/S & 475/W; 9 1/2 mi SW Lakewood; Rot 13217 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44816

BTA Oil Producers LLC
White River SWD #1
SWD; Sec 29 T23S R28E; 940/N & 340/W; 1/2 mi SW Loving; Rot 25000 Devonian; API #30-015-44813

Marathon Oil Permian LLC
Black River 374 ST 24 2715 WA #5
Purple Sage; Sec 15 T24S R27E; 321/S & 747/W; 4 mi NE Black River; Rot 13910 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44814

Marathon Oil Permian LLC
Black River 374 St 24 27 15 TB #6
West Willow Lake; Sec 15 T24S R27E; 321/S & 797/W; 4 mi NE Black River; Rot 13770 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44815

Judah Oil LLC
Mile Marker 5 State SWD #1
SWD; Sec 10 T26S R28E; 660/N & 2310/W; 11 mi SW Malaga; Rot 15400 Devonian; API #30-015-44818

Lea County

Occidental Permian LP
South Hobbs G/SA Unit #289
Hobbs; Sec 5 T19S R38E; 2281/S & 1130/W; 1/2 mi W Hobbs; Rot 6000 Grayburg San Andres; API #30-025-44611

Occidental Permian LP
South Hobbs G/SA Unit #290
Hobbs; Sec 5 T19S R38E; 2484/S & 2483/W; 1/2 mi W Hobbs; Rot 6000 Grayburg San Andres; API #30-025-44612

Occidental Permian LP
South Hobbs G/SA Unit #288
Hobbs; Sec 6 T19S R38E; 1816/N & 676/E; 1 mi W Hobbs; Rot 6000 Grayburg San Andres; API #30-025-44610

Occidental Permian LP
South Hobbs G/SA Unit #275
Hobbs; Sec 10 T19S R38E; 1797/N & 1051/W; 1/2 mi S Hobbs; Rot 6000 Grayburg San Andres; API #30-025-44609

Dakota Resources Inc.
Wallen Federal #10
Teas; Sec 19 T20S R34E; 660/N & 990/E; 8 mi E Halfway; Rot 3600 Yates San Andres; API #30-025-44613

Centennial Resources Production LLC
Tour Bus 23 State #505
Ojo Chiso; Sec 23 T22S R34E; 300/N & 655/E; 13 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 14516 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44614

Centennial Resources Production LLC
Tour Bus 23 State #506
Ojo Chiso; Sec 23 T22S R34E; 300/N & 625/E; 13 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 14747 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44615

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Modelo 10 Fed #528
Triste Draw; Sec 10 T24S R32E; 200/N & 400/E; 13 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 16537 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44616

Kaiser-Francis Oil Co.
Bell Lake Unit South #330
North Bell Lake; Sec 6 T24S R34E; 2130/S & 620/E; 5 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 19500 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44618

Kaiser-Francis Oil Co.
Bell Lake Unit So #430
South Bell Lake; Sec 6 T24S R34E; 2160/S & 620/E; 5 mi NE Ochoa; Rot 20200 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44619

EOG Resources Inc.
Jolly Roger 16 St #302
North Red Hills; Sec 16 T24S R34E; 160/N & 1661/W; 3 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 14991 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44622

EOG Resources Inc.
Jolly Roger 16 St #303
North Red Hills; Sec 16 T24S R34E; 160/N & 1694/W; 3 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 15022 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44623

EOG Resources Inc.
Orrtanna 20 Fed #710
Sanders Tank; Sec 20 T26S R33E; 557/S & 2408/E; 14 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 17169 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44617

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Mean Green 23 35 Fed Com #4
SW Jabalina; Sec 23 T26S R34E; 200/S & 1028/E; 11 mi S Ochoa; Rot 22573 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44598

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Discovery Natural Resources LLC
Hickman N #2074AS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 375 fnl, 3973 fwl, Sec 207, Blk 1, Abst. 564, T&P RR, 7 e Big Lake; TD 6670 TVD, 16977 MD; Comp 3/28/2018; producing from 7235-16921, fracture stimulated; gas lift 378 BO, 358 MCF, 1499 BW, FTP 95 psi, 38.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-39991

Runnels County

Bridwell Oil Co.
Harris #1
Winters (Capps); 467 fel, 2300 fnl, Abst. 490, F. Veyereal, 4 e Winters; TD 4400; Comp 4/13/2018; producing from 3721-3725, fracture stimulated; pump 5 BO, 5 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-399-35534

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Loving County

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Arches 55-1-17 Unit #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 575 fnl, 2400 fel, Sec 17, Blk 55, T-1, Abst. 100, T&P RR, 21 nw Mentone; TD 11351 TVD, 21475 MD; Comp 4/8/2018; producing from 11639-21304, fracture stimulated; flow 10011 MCF on 32/64 inch choke, FTP 2752 psi; API #42-301-33294

Reeves County

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Speedy 57-3-37 #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 400 fsl, 400 fel, Sec 37, Blk 57, T-3-S, Abst. 917, T&P RR, 10.96 sw Orla; TD 10059 TVD, 14773 MD; Comp 4/7/2018; producing from 10397-14603, fracture stimulated; flow 4275 MCF on 30/64 inch choke, FTP 1490 psi; API #42-389-35825

Winkler County

Apache Corporation
Seth Campbell #118
Keystone (Consolidated), 332 fnl, 1232 fwl, Sec 18, Blk B-3, Abst. 1356, PSL, 2.35 ne Kermit; TD 5512; Comp 4/6/2018; producing from 5140-5232, treated with acid; pump 44 BO, 412 MCF, 929 BW, 37.5 Oil Gravity; API #42-495-33985

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Keystone (Consolidated); 330 fel, 330 fnl, Sec 18, Blk B-3, Abst. 1356, PSL, 2.51 ne Kermit; TD 5700; Comp 4/13/2018; producing from 5190-5280, treated with acid; pump 48 BO, 384 MCF, 3680 BW, 37.5 Oil Gravity; API #42-495-33984

Champion Lone Star Operating LLC
CLS Walton State #1605SW
Kermit; 220 fsl, 330 fel, Sec 5, Blk B-3, Abst. 1850, PSL, 4.3 nw Kermit; TD 3572; Comp 4/12/2018; producing from 2685-3378, fracture stimulated; pump 50 BO, 150 MCF, 800 BW, 36 Oil Gravity; API #42-495-34062

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CLS Walton State #1636NE
Kermit; 330 fwl, 374 fsl, Sec 36, Blk 74, Abst. 1843, PSL, 6.2 nw Kermit; TD 3545; Comp 4/10/2018; producing from 2788-3315, fracture stimulated; pump 60 BO, 150 MCF, 700 BW, 36 Oil Gravity; API #42-495-33748

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Oxy USA WTP LP
Turkey Track 9 10 State #22
Turkey Track; Sec 8 T19S R29E; 2150/N & 295/E. BHL: Sec 10 2285/N & 171/E; EL 3421 RKB. TD 18425 MD, 7989 TVD, PBTD 18362 MD, 7987 TVD; Spud 6-10-17, Comp 10-30-17; production is through treated perfs: 8414-18233. Treat: 12714618 gals slick wtr, 61824 gals 15% HCL acid w/15396340# sd. IP: 11-30-17 Flow 24 hrs 1339 BO, 1472 BW, 1416 MCF, 64/64" Ch, TP 273, CP 239, GOR 1058. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 396 w/746 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3010 w/1089 sx, 5 ½ @ 18410 w/2826 sx; API #30-015-44122

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Turkey Track 9 10 State #21
Turkey Track; Sec 8 T19S R29E; 2120/N & 395/E. BHL: Sec 10 942/N & 165/E; EL 3395 GR, TD 18201 MD, 7976 TVD, PBTD 18039 MD, 7976 TVD; Spud 6-7-17, Comp 10-30-17; production is through treated perfs: 8189-18009. Treat: 12784212 gals slick wtr, 61992 gals 15% HCL acid w/15389820# sd. IP: 11-22-17 Flow 24 hrs 1676 BO, 1341 BW, 1512 MCF, 64/64' Ch, TP 338, CP 131, GOR 902. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 389 w/373 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3019 w/1089 sx, 5 ½ @ 18184 w/2743 sx; API #30-015-44117

Oxy USA Inc.
Palladium MDP1 7 6 Federal Com #3-Y
Cotton Draw; Sec 18 T24S R31E; 169/N & 2225/W. BHL: Sec 6 182/N & 2155/W; EL 3534 GL, TD 20117 MD, 10000 TVD, PBTD 20051 MD, 10001 TVD; Spud 10-8-17, Comp 12-19-17; production is through treated perfs: 10092-19929. Treat: 18793740 gals slick wtr, 97188 gals 15% HCL acid w/18769436# sd. IP: 12-29-17 Flow 24 hrs 4022 BO, 6662 BW, 5902 MCF, 76/128 Ch, CP 1350, GOR 1467. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 655 w/820 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4352 w/1536 sx, 5 ½ @ 20102 w/3693 sx; API #30-015-44457

Lea County

CML Exploration LLC
Raider 9 State #3
Maljamar; Sec 9 T17S R33E; 1650/S & 990/E; EL 4185 GR, TD 11,200, PBTD 11,068; Spud 11-15-17, Comp 1-18-18; production is through treated perfs: 10943-11016. Treat: 6000 gals 15% HCl acid. IP: 1-24-18 Pump 24 hrs 128 BO, 8 BW, 136 MCF, GOR 1063, Gty 41. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1596 w/1150 sx, 8 5/8 @ 4613 w/1550 sx, 5 ½ @ 11180 w/900 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10959; API #30-025-44123

Centennial Resources Production LLC
Tour Bus 23 State #503
Ojo Chiso; Sec 23 T22S R34E; 200/N & 2385/W. BHL: 242/S & 1933/W; EL 3462.8 GL, TD 14,780, PBTD 14,661; Spud 10-29-17, Comp 12-7-17; production is through treated perfs: 10530-14631. Treat: 12,482,080# sd, 11,359,247 gals fluid. IP: 1-2-18 Flow 24 hrs 710 BO, 1849 BW, 952 MCF, 64 Ch, CP 340, GOR 1341, Gty 41.8. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1809 w/1535 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5612 w/1205 sx, 5 ½ @ 14767 w/2200 sx; API #30-025-43934

EOG Resources Inc.
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Wildcat; Sec 10 T24S R33E; 164/S & 1182/W. BHL: Sec 3 231/N & 730/W; EL 3613 GR, TD 22,604 MD, 12,519 TVD, PBTD 22,495 MD, 12,513 TVD; Spud 10-3-17, Comp 2-16-18; production is through treated perfs: 12713-22495. Treat: Frac w/25,884,370# proppant, 325,017 bbls load fluid. IP: 2-24-18 Flow 24 hrs 1837 BO, 5591 BW, 3454 MCF, 40 Ch, CP 2577, GOR 1880, Gty 39. Csg: 10 ¾ @ 1354 w/1005 sx, 7 5/8 @ 11878 w/3748 sx, 5 ½ @ 22594 w/990 sx; API #30-025-43805

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Instructor: Dr. Carlos Palacios
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Instructor: Rajan Chokshi, Ph.D.
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