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LANDSCAPE ALTERNATIVES

Facing continued drought, many seek ways to conserve water

By James Cannon
Staff Writer

The dwindling water supply and outdoor use restrictions are forcing some West Texans to consider alternative landscaping designs.

Hot summer temperatures, persistent drought conditions, decreases in available water sources, prohibitive costs and restrictions are spurring new ideas in some cases, while others switching to more sustainable native flora.

Despite this year's above average rainfall — 1.18 inches of rain in 2012 compared to historical date average of 1.03 inches — water tables still are dangerously low. Not only would the Permian Basin have to exit the drought, there would need to be enough rainfall to make up for last year's dry conditions. An ever-increasing population also adds constraints to the area's access to the life-sustaining commodity.

The drought aside, the West Texas reservoir system is more than 100,000 acre feet less than when originally established in 1961. Recently, the main reservoirs that supply water to the region have dropped from 500,000 acre feet of water to about 100,000 acre feet, according to the Colorado River Municipal Water District's historical tables.

Conditions are their worst in more than a generation. The last city to use the E.V. Spence Reservoir has discontinued to drain the lake because it is at only .5 percent capacity. The last of the great West Texas lakes, the O.H. Ivie Reservoir, is hovering around 17.5 percent and tasked with supplying Odessa, Midland, Big Spring and San Angelo, among others, with water. Recent precipitation is doing little to replenish the lakes.

The drought is exacerbating the danger. Usage levels are unsustainable and require municipalities to not only look for other supplemental sources, but also to fundamentally address how water is used. Several community leaders, including Mayor Wes Perry, are stressing the need for a landscaping cultural shift.

More on water

City policy can encourage a "cultural shift" in water usage.
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Innovation in desperation

Most forms of innovation take hold at the grassroots level. Several such as Alldredge Gardens and Top Notch Landscaping, started toying with the idea of installing low-maintenance artificial turf as a possible solution to local governments' increasing restrictions on outdoor water use.

Most cities started enforcing water restrictions last summer. As the drought persisted, the number of days and hours a homeowner could water kept decreasing. This week, Odessa announced residents will only be able to water outdoors for two hours a week starting April 1. Perry said Midland might follow suit. The limited amount of outdoor water likely will not be enough to sustain the lush, well-manicured lawns Midlanders have been used to. In face of adversity, innovation flourishes.

"Midland's residents simply don't want dead yards," said Josh Clark, manager for Alldredge Gardens' landscaping division.

To offset dwindling revenue streams, local landscapers are looking at synthetic alternatives.

Clark said all of Alldredge Gardens recent jobs have been complete artificial renovations. The company exclusively is using a high-end artificial grass called EZ Turf. The massive, carpet-like squares are stitched together and have an underground irrigation system to stop pooling. The landscaping company has installed more than 30,000 square feet of the material in the past four months.

The chief landscaper is optimistic about this product as he rattled off its benefits: No need to water, no mowing, low maintenance, pet

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James Cannon/Reporter-Telegram

Jose Ruiz and about a dozen other landscapers with Alldredge Gardens install synthetic grass called EZ Turf at Henry Petroleum's office on Andrews Highway on Wednesday. More than 30,000 square feet of the turf has been laid since November to help reduce the amount of water the company uses.

Former Midlander presents 'I Have a Dream' speech at King memorial dedication

By Audrie Palmer
Staff Writer

John Lee, 65, was a senior at Carver High School in Midland when Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. gave his famous "I Have a Dream" speech in Washington.



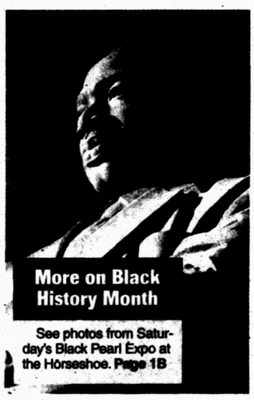
Lee

Almost 50 years later Lee would present that same speech at the dedication of the Martin Luther King Jr. National Memorial in the nation's capital.

When Lee heard the speech in which King called for racial equality and an end to discrimination, the civil rights leader became his hero.

"He meant a lot to me," said Lee, who grew up in Midland during the segregation

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More on Black History Month

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Lights illuminate the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial as dusk approaches in Washington, D.C., on Aug. 23, 2011. John Lee, who grew up in Midland during segregation and graduated from Carver High School, gave King's "I Have a Dream" speech at the dedication of the memorial.

Jacquelyn Martin/AP

Conference honors work of acclaimed local architect

By Kathleen Petty
Staff Writer

With his cane propped to the side of his chair and a photo of one of his homes splashed across a sign announcing this weekend's design conference, architect Frank Welch smiled and said he's becoming a bit self-conscious.

The octogenarian was recognized as part of the Architecture in the Hinterlands conference and said he's still not quite comfortable with all the accolades.

But, he said, leaning back in his chair as the next generation of architects buzzed around him Friday afternoon, "Deep down, I'm also

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WINE DROUGHT

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Community News

The Reporter-Telegram and MyWestTexas.com is looking for community news items. If you think you have one, send it to Editor Stewart Doreen at sdoreen@mrt.com. Selected items will find their way into the paper or online.

It's happening

Tuesday

■ The Alaska String Band, 7 p.m., Fellowship Hall, First Baptist Church, 2104 W. Louisiana Ave. Admission: Free to public, sponsored by First Baptist Church. Info: http://www.alaskastringband.net.

Thursday through Sunday

■ Shotguns & Stilettos, presented by the Junior League, a multi-day celebration of shopping, shooting and socializing at Midland Center. For more info: visit www.jlmidland.org or call 682-4732

Friday through Sunday

■ Permian Basin Home Builders Association 14th Annual Home & Garden Show, Horseshoe. For more info: 520-7917.

■ Continental Antiques Show at the Ector County Coliseum.

Saturday

■ Reporter-Telegram Spelling Bee, 9 a.m., Allison Fine Arts Center, Midland College. Admission: Free.

■ Steers and Stars, a formal evening of dining and dancing benefiting the children at Midland Children's Rehabilitation Center, 7:30 p.m., Petroleum Club.

■ Starship concert, 8 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. Tickets: $30-$75. Go to wagnernoel.com.

Sunday, Feb. 26

■ Broadway in the Basin: "Stomp" at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. Go to wagnernoel.com.

Meetings Schedule

Midland–Odessa Transportation Organization (MOTOR)
5 p.m. Monday
Wright Office Complex, Suite 1, 9601 Wright Drive

Airport Board
9 a.m. Tuesday
Third floor conference room
Midland International Airport

Permian Basin Community Center for Mental Health and Mental Retardation
3:30 p.m. Tuesday
Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission
2910 LaForce Blvd.

Planning and Zoning
3:30 p.m. Tuesday
Council Chambers
300 N. Loraine St.

Midland College
4 p.m. Tuesday
Gibson Boardroom, Administration Building
Midland College campus

Midland Coalition
11:30 a.m. Wednesday

Palmer Drug Abuse Program
11:30 a.m. Wednesday
1208 W. Wall St.
Note: Anyone concerned about underage drinking and substance abuse is encouraged to attend.

Midland-Odessa Urban Transit District Board
Noon Wednesday
Midland–Odessa Transportation Organization (MOTOR) boardroom
Wright Office Complex, Suite 1, 9601 Wright Drive

Midland Development Corp.
8:30 a.m. Friday
City Hall basement, 300 N. Loraine St.

Education meetings/forums

■ The Midland ISD school board will hold a special workshop at 6 p.m. on Feb. 26 to look at the $158 million bond proposal. The meeting will take place in the MISD boardroom, 615 W. Missouri Ave.

■ A public forum to raise awareness of the local impact of budget cuts and possible community solutions will be from 7 to 9 p.m. on Feb. 28 at the Cogdell Learning Center, 201 W. Florida St. Speakers include Midland College President Steve Thomas, MISD Superintendent Ryder Warren, Larry Carroll of Permian Basin Community Centers and Joanne Mundy from the Department of State Health Services.

Today in History

Today is Sunday, Feb. 19, the 50th day of 2012. There are 316 days left in the year.

On this date:

In 1846, the Texas state government was formally installed in Austin, with J. Pinckney Henderson taking the oath of office as governor.

In 1945, during World War II, some 30,000 U.S. Marines began landing on Iwo Jima, where they commenced a successful month-long battle to seize control of the island from Japanese forces.

SAYING GOODBYE TO A GOOD FRIEND



Alan Krenek, board president of Casa de Amigos, thanks Lael Cordes-Pitts on Thursday at her goodbye party. She was honored for her more than 26 years as executive director at Casa de Amigos. Cordes-Pitts resigned in December and will leave her post at Casa de Amigos this month to assume the role of executive director at the Henry Foundation.

Photo by Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

EZ Rider report for January

Fixed Route

	2012	2011
Total	37,251	37,915
Midland	20,316	18,898
Odessa	16,513	19,017

Year-to-date: 149,247 (a decrease of 2.89 percent compared to last year)
Year-to-date in Midland: 84,279 (an increase of 6.37 percent compared to last year)
Ridership in Midland was 17,669 in 2010 and 21,292 in 2009.

Revenue in October

	2011	2010
Total	$27,026	$25,026
Midland	$16,062	$14,334
Odessa	$10,964	$10,707

Year-to-date in Midland: $57,088, (an increase of 8.97 percent compared to last year)

Paratransit Riders in Midland-Odessa
Year-to-date: 9,967 (an increase of 16.97 percent compared to last year)

EZ Express: 422 passengers, an increase from 323 in December.

Midland vs. Odessa last three reports

	Midland	Odessa
October	22,552	17,723
December	19,864	14,985
January	20,316	16,513

Community Calendar

■ Bridge of the Permian Basin Studio and Bridge Center of Austin are planning an Inter-Club Championship Game for 1:30 p.m. today.

In an inter-club championship game, ACBL (American Contract Bridge League) emails the hands to the participating clubs, and members play at their own bridge club. Scores are emailed to ACBL, which compiles the results.

The local club meets at 4000 N. Big Spring St., Suite 218.

The tournament is open to players with 199 or fewer masterpoints.

For more information, call Mercedes Barker at 550-7343 or Deborah Brookins at 978-4085.

■ The Inspirations outpatient counseling program at Allegiance Specialty Hospital Permian Basin is marking its second anniversary 4-5 p.m. Tuesday at 207 Tradewinds Blvd. Dr. Sergio Silva, medical director, will be available to meet with the public.

For more information, call 699-3215.

■ The Junior League of Midland is hosting Shotguns and Stilettos Thursday through Sunday to raise funds for its community programs.

The celebration includes the Stilettos Market, Friday through Sunday at Midland Center; Girls' Night Out Preview Party, Thursday at Midland Center; Buckshot Bash featuring Jerry Jeff Walker, Friday at Commemorative Air Force museum; a clay shoot, Saturday at Jake's Clays; and two Pretend and Play Luncheons for children, Sunday at the Hilton Midland Plaza Ballroom.

For more information, including how to buy tickets, call 682-4732 or visit www.jlmidland.org.

■ Shrimpfest, for the benefit of Ellen Noël Art Museum, is planned for 7 p.m. Feb. 27 at the Ector County Coliseum Building G, Odessa.

The annual event features an all-you-can-eat shrimp dinner, silent and live auctions and entertainment by Main Stream Jazz Quartet.

General admission tickets are $35 and can be purchased at the museum or online at www.noelartmuseum.org. Sponsor tables are available for $1,200, $3,000 or $5,000. These tables include admission to the sponsor-only cocktail reception. For more information, call 550-9696.

■ West Texas Conference on Aging is planned for 8 a.m.-4:45 p.m. March 1 at Midland Center.

The keynote speaker is to be Peter Harrell Jr., president of Harrell Communications and consultant for Verbal Defense & Influence. The conference will feature four breakout sessions: "Tactical Communication," "The Right to Die," "When the Passion is Gone" and "Stuff in the House: Are the Elderly Really Hoarders or Just Poor Housekeepers?"

Registration fee is $50 before Thursday and $65 after. The fee includes lunch. The conference may be used for nursing and continuing education hours. For more information, call Ann at 681-6303.

EZ Express

Leaves Downtown Midland: 6:15 a.m., 7:15 a.m, 8:15 a.m., 3:15 p.m., 4:15 p.m., 5:15 p.m.
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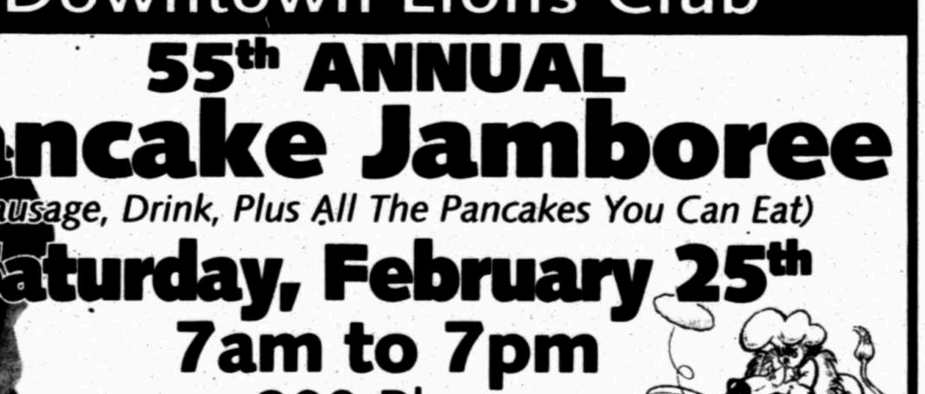


Alexander Graham Bell applied for his patent on the telephone, an "Improvement in Telegraphy", on Valentine's Day, 1876.

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Club, Support Group Meetings

Support groups

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

■ A group for those with eating disorders meets 8 p.m. Mondays at Fellowship Community Church, 5206 N. Midland Drive. For more information, call 296-1087.

■ Food Addicts Anonymous meets noon-1 p.m. Wednesdays at the Center for Spiritual Living, 2311 Elizabeth St. For more information, call 553-1031.

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

■ Midland Optimist Club meets noon Tuesdays at Abuelo's, 4610 N. Garfield St. For more information, call 685-7486.

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

■ TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at Midland Senior Center, Midkiff Road and Illinois Avenue. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. For more information, call 694-8643.

■ TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets 10 a.m. Thursdays at Christian Church of Midland, 2608 Neely Ave. For more information, call 694-8347.

■ Midland Walkabout Volkssport Club meets 5 p.m. the third Sunday at First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas Ave. For more information, call 687-2588.

■ American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 19 meets 6:30 p.m. every third Tuesday of the month at 501 Veterans Airpark Lane; 682-5511.

■ Sons of Confederate Veterans, Dunn-Holt-Mid-kiff Camp No. 1441 meets 7 p.m. the third Tuesday at Fairmont Park Church of Christ Activities Annex. For more information, contact Tom Owens at tmowens44@juno.com or call 697-6955.

■ Midland Gem and Mineral Society meets 7 p.m. the fourth Thursday at Sibley Nature Center. For more information, call 687-6467.

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

Toastmasters Clubs

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

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

■ Permian Toastmasters 1509 meets every Friday at noon at the Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, 208 S. Marienfeld. For more information, contact Celeste Perez, 432.682.2960 or celeste@midlandhcc.com.

Alcoholics Anonymous — hotline 580-7868.

■ Serenity Group meets 8 p.m. daily at 3101 N. A St., Building C. For more information, call 685-3100.

■ 710 Group meets 7 a.m., noon and 8 p.m. Wednesdays at 710 Ohio Ave. For more information, call 682-8162.

■ Alpha Omega meets 8 p.m Tuesdays and 11 a.m. Saturdays and Sundays at 311 S. Pecos St.

■ Alanon 12-Step Group meets 7:30 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays and noon Thursdays at La Hacienda Outreach Center, 206 N. Midkiff Road.

Narcotics Anonymous — hotline 582-2926.

■ Laundry Group meets 8 p.m. daily and noon Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 104 N. Marshall St.

■ Xodus Group meets 5:30 p.m. Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 7 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays and 8:30 p.m. Saturdays at 206 N. Midkiff Road.

Dance clubs

■ High Sky Squares meet the second and fourth Tuesdays at the M-Squarena Square Dance Hall, 2800 W. CR 130. Round dances begin at 7 p.m.; squares at 8 p.m. For more information call 697-0281.

■ Tall City Cloggers meet 6:30 p.m. Mondays at the M-Squarena Dance Hall, 2800 W. CR 130. Lessons available. For more information, call Lynn Meyers at 528-0374.

■ Permian Basin Dance Club, 7:30-10 p.m. Tuesdays at St. Stephen's Catholic Church; cost is $5 for members, $6 for non-members; 520-4343.

HERE TO HELP



Bynum School student Seth Woodard and speech therapist Tami Morgan prepare a hot meal to a Meals on Wheels client Thursday morning.

Nearly every Thursday, the seven students in Linda Brown's upper-elementary class pile into the school's bus and deliver lunch to 11 homebound elderly who live in the county south of Interstate 20.

Volunteers for Midland's 38 Meals on Wheels routes deliver about 450 meals each day to homebound elderly.

Interested in helping with Meals on Wheels?

Volunteers are needed from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. to help package meals in the kitchen.

Drivers are needed from 10:30 a.m. to noon to deliver meals.

Call Martha Valdiva at 689-6693 to sign up.

Photo by Meredith Moriak/Reporter-Telegram

Put your birthday, anniversary in the newspaper

The Reporter-Telegram has started running birthdays and anniversaries as part of our daily presentation on 2A or 4A. This includes Sunday's Your City section.

If you would like to submit an entry, please send us the following information.

■ Birthdays: Name, age, birthday and place of residence.

■ Anniversaries: Names, years married, anniversary date and place of residence.

This will not replace the longer, more detailed announcements that run in Sunday's West Texas Living section.

Please submit your item to Editor Stewart Doreen (sdoreen@mrt.com). We will run as many items as space allows.

Note: Because we cannot research and verify all information, by publishing them we neither imply nor guarantee the accuracy of information submitted to us.

Know a soldier coming home?

Military families can call 689-8698 or email Vickie Gomez (zemogv@cableone.net) when they know their soldier is flying into our airport so the Permian Basin Welcome Home Committee can be there to greet them.

MRT on the radio

Editor Stewart Doreen discusses local news at 9:35 a.m. Thursdays on KWEL (AM 1070).

January Midland International Airport report

Enplanements
(people boarding an airplane)
January 2012: 33,605
January 2011: 32,787
Percent difference: 2.5
Year to date: 155,752 (2.2 percent increase from 2010-11)
January 2010 total: 29,764
January 2009: 29,684
Note: Airplane boardings have increased the last three months.

Total Passengers
January 2012: 68,489
January 2011: 66,482
Percent difference: 3.0
Year to date: 310,285 (2.0 percent increase from 2010-11)

Fuel Sales
(in gallons)
January 2012: 471,074
January 2011: 460,876
Percent difference: 2.2
Year to date: 2,220,258 (8.2 percent increase from 2010-11)
January 2010 total: 399,177
January 2009: 369,371

Parking Revenues
January 2012: $175,542
January 2011: $161,477
Percent difference: 8.7
Year to date: $712,033 (10.6 percent increase from 2010-11)
January 2010 total: $144,206
January 2009: $145,538

Source: City of Midland

What's on the radio?

News Talk: KCRS (AM 550), KWEL (AM 1070)
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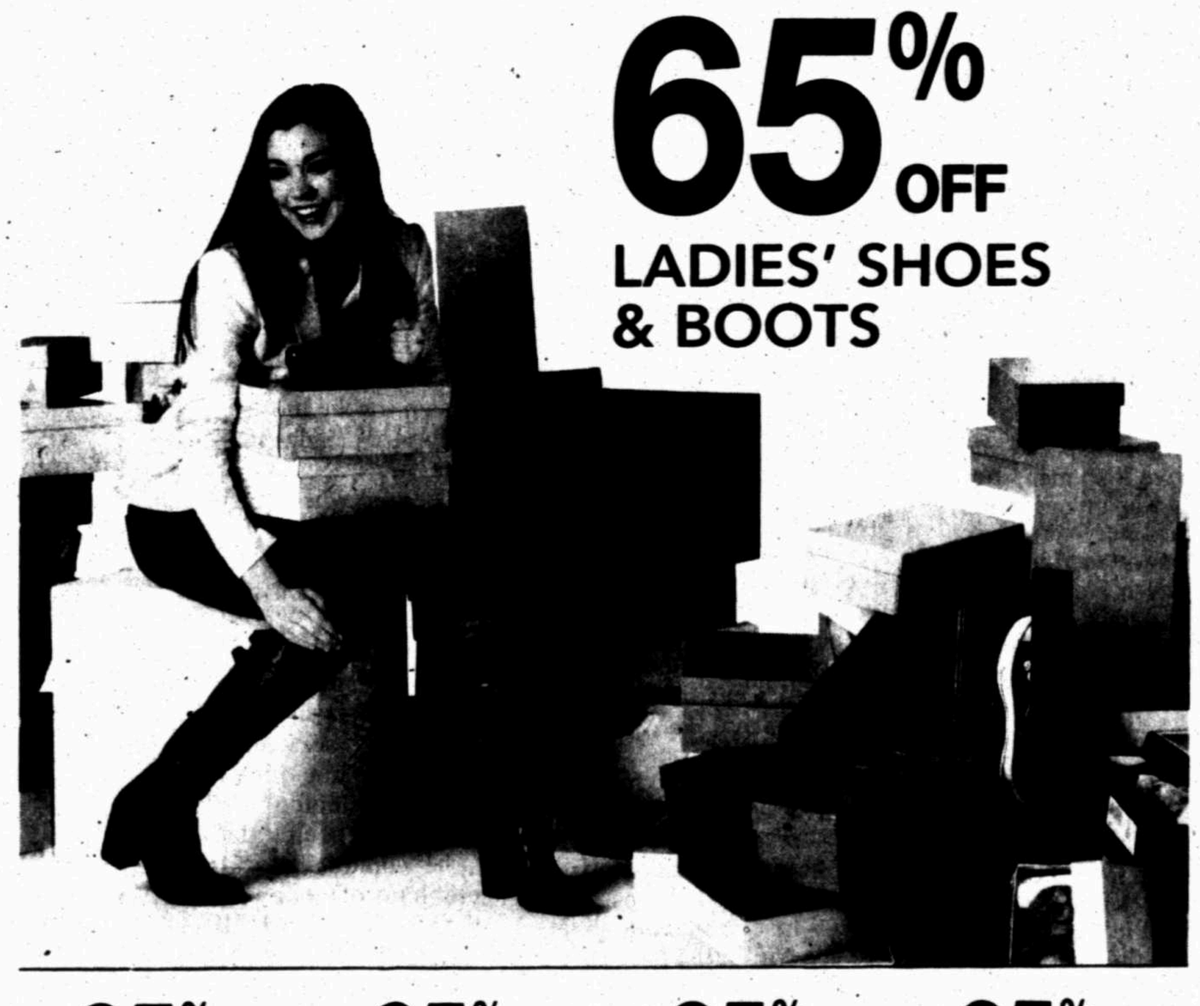
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friendly, durable and almost fade-proof. Although the initial investment price for the artificial grass is about three times what his company would charge for a simple sod job, after about eight years the investment starts to pay dividends. Once the initial cost is covered, there is little more expenditure compared to those of a natural lawn. There is a 15-year manufacturer warranty and an estimated life-span between 20 and 25 years.

So far, most of the 30,000 square feet of turf has been installed on residential property, but Clark says he sees more corporate interest. While at an installation at Henry Petroleum on Andrews Highway this week, he demonstrated how time consuming and meticulous the work was. The relatively small job took about a dozen crew members to complete. Some were laying the basework irrigation system, others were anchoring the turf and stitching pieces together. Once the grass was laid, stitched and anchored, silica sand and a rubber compound were added to keep the blades facing upward and add a natural bouncy grass-like feel to the synthetic material.

Clark said he has heard nothing but positive reviews from customers and expects the already high demand to increase once people see more of the turf throughout the city.

Homeowner Victoria Wantland already was excited about her new yard and Top Notch Landscaping's Brad Tatum hadn't even finished his work.

She said she learned of the product on Home and Garden TV and did a lot of independent research before deciding to make the switch. When she and her husband moved into their north Midland neighborhood, their backyard was lush and green. But, because of watering restrictions, a large tree preventing direct sunlight and three dogs digging, the yard resembled a dirt lot with sporadic patches of grass.

"I'm just pumped to not have any more paw prints in my kitchen" Wantland said.

Tatum said Wantland's backyard, about 1,000 square feet, would take a crew of two about two full days because of how labor intensive the artificial turf was to lay and stitch. He said the meticulous work was to ensure no seams were showing so it resembled real grass.

His relatively new company exclusively is installing the product. He described his business as "zero-scape" installation.

Aside from going artificial, there also has been an uptick in landowners seeking more native, desert landscaping options.



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Brad Tatum and Fernando Arriaga, of Top Notch Landscaping, put down the weed barrier lining after leveling and adding fill to a yard they are "zero scaping" with synthetic grass.

Native alternatives

Not everyone is onboard the plastic grass express. Although Kelly Cook, a partner with landscape architecture firm KDC Associates, said artificial is a valid sustainable option, he is hoping its adoption isn't widespread. He raised a few issues with some types of artificial turf — but praised EZ Turf as high quality — and had other issues with shoddy installation because of how difficult it is to install properly. His main point of contention centered around aesthetics. He compared the plastic grass to mini malls and parking lots. Cook said West Texans should be embracing native style plants and look at cities such as Scottsdale, Ariz., for inspiration, rather than east where there is more precipitation.

"In my more than 4,000 residential jobs since I started this company, I can count on two hands the amount of people that have asked for a desert, native landscape," Cook said. "Most of the time I get someone asking for a landscape they saw in Southern Living (magazine). This is not Dallas or Atlanta. There are limited water supplies and people should start embracing more sustainable landscape choices."

Although few opt for a natural route, the demand has increased during the past year, according to owners and managers at several Midland-based landscaping companies and nurseries.

The demand for natural sod is almost nonexistent, said Homero Galindo, owner of Sandy's Nursery. He said more people are asking for gravel and rock to make beds. Native desert plants such as cactus are gaining popularity.

Galindo said the drought has hurt his business, but in response he is further diversifying the type of flora at his nursery. He is encouraging more customers to consider heartier trees, like live oaks, that don't require considerable amounts of water.

Clark said Alldredge Gardens is seeing an uptick in desert plants. Last year he started to notice a more native trend and said since then, it has continued to grow. He said he wasn't satisfied just getting the basic desert plants and his company is seeking more diverse and interesting styles of plants.

"In the end, these types of decisions will be better for Midland long-term," Clark said about the alternative landscaping styles.

Outdoor living rooms

Other options Midlanders have, Cook said, are outdoor living spaces composed of trees, beds, bushes, rock and pathways. The style has exploded since the advent of HGTV and other DIY publications. Some are more basic designs, but others incorporate fire pits, massive outdoor kitchens and lounge areas.

Aside from water management statistics — which Cook said were improvements — he said the outdoor living spaces were more aesthetically appealing than acres of flat grass.

Cook described a typical outdoor backyard with 26 irrigation spray heads. After quickly doing the math, he said a system operating four times a week for 15-minute increments during growing season and a water cycle of two times a week for 15-minute cycles during the winter season will use about 189,000 gallons a year. In contrast, he said water usage for an outdoor living room using a new water method becoming popular with many landscape architecture firms: Netafim Drip Lines.

The lines are long subterranean hoses that slowly drip water rather than spraying it throughout a yard. More than 60 percent of water used on irrigation spray systems is lost because of blow off, runoffs or evaporation, he said.

"It's all about using innovation to save resources," he added.

An outdoor living area using the Netafim Drip Line requires only 3,648 gallons for optimal use, a literal drop in the bucket compared the 189,000 needed under the average current setup, Cook said.

Although none of these answers will be right for everyone, a collection of water-reducing outdoor landscape designs collectively will lower Midland's water use. Regardless of which option Midlanders choose, it will be a step toward prolonging Midland's limited life-sustaining commodity until other sources of water can be tapped, developed and fully realized.

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City water policy can encourage 'cultural shift'

By James Cannon
Staff Writer

It's not just residents and commercial business owners changing their ways to help make water supplies last in West Texas. Many government officials and experts are looking at ways to encourage a cultural shift.

There have been talks of providing residents incentive: Increasing fines for water abusers and providing tax credits or water bill prebates to those changing their outdoor water usage ways.

"Irrigation usage is by far the biggest threat to our water supplies," Mayor Wes Perry told the Reporter-Telegram. "We need to craft policies that will cause a cultural shift."

But, he isn't suggesting only residential and commercial owners change their water usage, he expects the city of Midland to lead by example.

In that vein, he and other City Council members have decided to invest park maintenance funds to redesigning some parks to reduce water needs. He also has helped make the Midland Independent School District — one of the city's biggest water users — become more water efficient. Before the recent acquisition of modern irrigation equipment, the district was dragging around old pipes to water the property, wasting a considerable amount of the precious commodity, he said.

Aside from the city changing the way it uses water, the biggest task will be reeducating the public on the best ways to conserve the limited supplies of water.

Of the dozens of water violation citations issued last year at the zenith of the drought, there was a relatively low amount of actual fines levied. Kelly Cook, a partner with landscaping architectural firm KDC Associates and a water ordinance consultant to many Texas cities, including Houston and Midland, sees the lack of fines levied as the biggest problem.

During a water ordinance meeting with Houston officials, he advocated considerably higher fines for violators. After a warning and a second-violation fine, he said should impose a third-time fine of thousands of dollars to force culprits into compliance.

He also said cities should have "water cops" to enforce policy. The positions would be self-funded, via revenue gained from issuing citations, and would ensure compliance. He suggested one officer per 100,000 residents.

Not all of his suggestions were reactionary. He encouraged cities to have incentives, like a water "buy-back" program, which will be aimed at encouraging residents to turn lawns into beds and other permeable low water consuming materials.

Perry said he would be in favor of a discounted water bill to those who take proactive steps to lower their outdoor water dependency, although the idea has not yet been formally brought up during a City Council meeting.

The city also will be enforcing a progressively bracketed tax on a heavy water users this year, Perry said.

The biggest thing Midlanders can do, Perry and Cook explained, is be conscious of the amount of water used outdoors. A typical yard can consume as much as 189,000 gallons of water a year, but through the use of synthetic grass, desert landscaping or converting wide-open yards into outdoor living rooms, water usage can be curtailed.

"I'm concerned that life sustaining choices won't be made until too late," Cook said somberly. "People need to stop reacting to dire situations and be more proactive."

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years. "Equality meant a lot to me. To hear that speech and to see him give it so many times on tape, it was inspiring every time I heard it. I saw the expressions and reactions on people's faces every time they heard it.".

After he graduated from Carver, Lee went to Odessa Junior College for a year but didn't have enough money to finish school. He enlisted in the U.S. Army and served for 20 years before retiring in January 1986.

Some time later, Lee heard a rendition of King's speech and realized it wasn't presented with the cadence and intent with which King delivered it.

"I just had to learn that speech," he said.

To memorize just the words took about two months, but to memorize it with the right cadence and presentation that mirrored King took longer. It was another six months before Lee was comfortable enough to perform the speech in front of a crowd.

The first time he presented "I Have a Dream" was in 1987 at a church in Charlotte, N.C., where he lived. He spoke at other churches, too.

When Lee moved to Oklahoma in 1992 from Macon, Ga. — where he served as a regional vice president for United Family Life Insurance Co. — he continued to give the speech. In the past 26 years, Lee estimates he's given the 17-minute presentation at more than 50 events, many in honor of Black History Month.

Last year, when Lee found out about the dedication of the King memorial in Washington D.C., he emailed the entertainment committee and sent a video clip of himself performing the speech. The committee replied three weeks later that he had been accepted to present "I Have a Dream" at the memorial dedication.

"I was over-the-top excited to do that," Lee said. "That particular speech is the speech that everyone around the world kind of identifies Dr. King with. I was a little bit nervous. I know the speech so well but just the idea that I was giving the most famous speech for the most famous civil rights leader for our time."

Lee said when he got behind the microphone at the Washington, D.C., Convention Center on Aug. 26 his nervousness disappeared.

"It was kind of like fulfilling a dream — his dream. His life was cut short and if he were alive today, he would still be doing the same thing today that he was doing in 1963. Had he not been killed in 1968 ... he would be attacking (the problems of) today like he had then," said Lee, who lives in Yukon, Okla.

Lee plans to visit Midland soon and said he'd like to speak at Macedonia Baptist Church, where his nephew, the Rev. Woodrow Bailey, is pastor.

"As long as God allows me to do it, I will do it," Lee said. "I am just happy that the speech itself gathers so much attention, even today."

He said giving King's speech "means to carry on his legacy and to carry on his dream. I hope with me giving his speech — no matter how many times I give it — I hope it inspires somebody else ... to carry on his dream."

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Australia asks — again: Did a dingo kill the baby?

Associated Press

SYDNEY — The growl came first, low and throaty, piercing the darkness that had fallen across the remote Australian desert. A baby's cry followed, then abruptly went silent. Inside the tent, the infant girl had vanished. Outside, her mother was screaming: "The dingo's got my baby!"

With those panicked words, the mystery of Azaria Chamberlain's disappearance in the Australian Outback in 1980 became the most notorious, divisive and baffling legal drama in the country's history. Had a wild dog really taken the baby? Or had Azaria's mother, Lindy, slit her daughter's throat and buried her in the desert?

Thirty-two years later, Australian officials hope to finally, definitively, determine how Azaria died when the Northern Territory coroner opens a fourth inquest Friday. Lindy Chamberlain, who was convicted of murdering her daughter and later cleared, is still waiting for authorities to close the case that made her the most hated person in Australia.

To the rest of the world, the case is largely known for its place in pop culture: countless books, an opera, the Meryl Streep movie "A Cry in the Dark," and the sitcom "Seinfeld's" spoof of Lindy's cry, "Maybe the dingo ate your baby!"

But to Australians, the case is about much more than the guilt or innocence of one woman. It is about the guilt or innocence of a nation — a nation that prides itself on the concept of a "fair go," an equal chance, for all. Did Lindy Chamberlain get a fair go? Or had Australians misjudged this woman? With doubts growing about just how fair and tolerant they truly were, many wondered if they had misjudged themselves.

Police and the public originally doubted a dingo was big or strong enough to drag away a 10-pound baby. Nobody could find documentation of a dingo killing a child before. While Australia is notorious for its deadly creatures — snakes, spiders, crocodiles — the humble dingo was considered a shy animal that posed little threat to people.

Lindy was convicted of murder, accused of slashing her daughter's throat with nail scissors and making it look like a dingo attack. She was sentenced to life in prison with hard labor. Michael was convicted of being an accessory.

Three years into Lindy's prison sentence, Azaria's jacket was found by chance — near a dingo den. Days later, Lindy was released from prison.

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John Glenn reunites with 50-year-old Mercury team

By Marcia Dunn
Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — John Glenn joined the proud, surviving veterans of NASA's Project Mercury on Saturday in celebrating the 50th anniversary of his historic orbital flight.

The first American to orbit the Earth thanked the 125 retired Mercury workers, now in their 70s and 80s, who gathered with their spouses at Kennedy Space Center to swap stories, pose for pictures and take a bow.

"There are a lot more bald heads and gray heads in that group than others, but those are the people who did lay the foundation," the 90-year-old Glenn said at an evening ceremony attended by NASA officials, politicians, astronauts and hundreds of others.

"We may be up on the point of that thing and get a lot of the attention, and we had ticker-tape parades and all that sort of thing. But the people who made it work ... you're the ones who deserve the accolade. So give yourselves a great big ovation," Glenn said, leading the crowd in applause.

Glenn and fellow astronaut Scott Carpenter, now 86, spent nearly an hour before the ceremony being photographed with the retirees, posing for individual pictures in front of a black curtain with a model of a Mercury-Atlas rocket. Glenn and Carpenter are the lone survivors of NASA's original Mercury 7 astronauts.

Earlier in the day, the Mercury brigade traveled by bus to Launch Complex 14. That's the pad from which Glenn rocketed away on Feb. 20, 1962.

Some retirees were in wheelchairs, while others used walkers or canes. Most walked, some more surely than others. But they all beamed with pride as they took pictures of the abandoned pad and of each other, and went into the blockhouse to see the old Mercury photos on display and to reminisce.

As retired engineer Norm Beckel Jr. rode to the pad Saturday, he recalled being seated in the blockhouse right beside Scott Carpenter as the astronaut called out to Glenn right before liftoff, "Godspeed John Glenn."

But there's more to the story.

"Before he said that, he said, 'Remember, John, this was built by the low bidder,'" Beckel, 81, told the Associated Press.

The Mercury-Atlas rocket shook the domed bunker-like structure, although no one inside could hear the roar because of the thick walls.

"Nothing was said by anybody until they said, 'He's in orbit,' and then the place erupted," Beckel recalled.

Beckel and Jerry Roberts, 78, a retired engineer who also was in the blockhouse that historic day, said almost all the workers back then were in their 20s and fresh out of college. The managers were in their 30s. "I don't know if I'd trust a 20-year-old today," Beckel said.

"They don't know it, but we would have worked for nothing," said Roberts, who spends the winter in Florida.

Bob Schepp, 77, who like Beckel traveled from St. Louis, Mo., for the reunion, was reminded by the old launch equipment of how rudimentary everything was back then.

"I wonder how we ever managed to launch anything in space with that kind of stuff," Schepp said. "Everything is so digital now. But we were pioneers, and we made it all work."

The Mercury team included women, about 20 of whom gathered for the anniversary festivities. One pulled aside an Associated Press reporter to make sure she knew women were part of the team.

"Most of the women here are wives," said Lucy Simon Rakov, 74. But not her.

"We weren't secretaries. We were mathematicians," said Rakov, a pioneering computer programmer who traveled from Boston for the reunion.

Patricia Palombo, 74, also a computer programmer, said working on Project Mercury proved to be the most significant thing she's done in her career.

Glenn's flight was the turning point that put America on a winning path that ultimately led to the moon.

"It's been downhill from here," Palombo said with a laugh. She lives near Washington, D.C.

Roberts praised the wives who endured the hardships back then. He recalled how he and his colleagues worked 16- and 18-hour days, seven days a week, especially after the Soviet Union grabbed the prize of first spaceman with Yuri Gagarin in 1961. Gagarin reached orbit on his mission; another Soviet cosmonaut also rocketed into orbit before Glenn's voyage.

Many marriages ended in divorce because of the excessive workload, Roberts noted.

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pleased."

Welch was one of about 40 architects to assemble in Midland on Friday and Saturday for the inaugural Texas Society of Architects Design Conference.

The group heard from speakers who touched on the works of architects who, like Welch, created great pieces in areas not traditionally known as a center for architectural design.

"They're able to do magical, marvelous, perceptive things with the tools many of us take for granted," said Michael Malone, who co-chaired the conference with Midland architect Mark Wellen.

Malone said architects in large cities, such as Dallas, often are influenced by the cultural atmosphere of the town, while those who design in places such as far West Texas or the deserts of California rely on the basic tools of natural light and landscape.

Wellen agreed and said the theme of the conference and the ability to host it in Midland was a great way to start off what officials hope becomes a regular event.

"It's about architects who do exceptional work based in places that typically you wouldn't think of as being the outpost for great architecture," he said.

For his own part, Welch said he never set his sights on building a career in Midland. More than 40 years ago he took a job redesigning a home owned by a friend of one of his classmates and the rest developed from there.

"Midland was probably looking for some new blood," he said. "I was in my late 30s. I raised my three kids here. I was part of the community."

One of the high points of Welch's career occurred when he took on another project for the family his classmate had connected him with.

The family had purchased a ranch property in Sterling County and wanted Welch to design a "shelter" they could stay in during their weekend trips.

Known as "The Birthday," the assignment turned into what critics have described as a unique yet simplistic piece that fit in perfectly with the West Texas landscape. Made of wood, stone and other materials, the structure featured a large porch held up by tall stone pillars, as well as an open room and fireplace.

Welch also worked on homes and commercial structures throughout Midland. He designed Trinity School, helped with Midland Community Theatre and completed a number of houses.

With each project, Welch said he designs based on the client and their personality, or site he's working with and the constraints of the budget.

"A couple are like cousins," he said of his Midland works. "Some are quite different."

On Saturday, those attending the conference toured several homes Welch designed.

Wellen said while each home is different, Welch is known for his consistency in quality and design, which was the tour's purpose. Each also uses natural light and other design elements in a unique way.

"They just have a great aura about them," Wellen said.

Welch moved his firm to Dallas more than 20 years ago and still works from his headquarters there. "The Birthday," which he remains proud of, has since been sold and encapsulated amid the construction of a new home.

Welch looked into the distance as he shared this news. Then, after a moment, he said he's had to get over the changes. What happens to a building is ultimately up to the property owner, not its designer. Plus, the legacy of his piece seems to have survived.

"It became celebrated among architects," Welch said. "I was very grateful for that."

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Why the big talk about small business is wrong

By Bernard Condon and Matthew Craft
Associated Press

■ Analysis

NEW YORK — Mitt Romney says they're "job creators" and vows to come to their aid as president. Newt Gingrich visited them on his "jobs and growth" bus tour. President Barack Obama calls them "the engine of our economy."

If there's one thing Republicans and Democrats agree on, it's that small business is the answer to what ails the economy. On these tiny bundles of entrepreneurial energy, they say, rides the nation's hope for lower unemployment and faster economic growth.

But, the work of several economists suggests that most small businesses are not particularly adept at creating jobs, at least not the best jobs. The work also suggests their role in generating national wealth has been exaggerated.

The problem is that not all small businesses are created equal. Businesses just getting off the ground contribute most of the country's job growth, but older small businesses cut as many as they add.

Think Bill Gates and Paul Allen huddled together late nights developing Microsoft, not the corner liquor store.

"I don't want to pick on dry cleaners and restaurants and small manufacturing firms, but they're not a big source of job creation," says John Haltiwanger, an economist at the University of Maryland.

Politicians like to say that small companies create two of every three jobs in a given year. That's less impressive when you consider that almost all the 6 million companies in the U.S. — 99.9 percent of them — are small businesses, with fewer than 500 workers.

What's more, two-out-of-three masks the fact that most small businesses eliminate more jobs than they create in a given year, either through layoffs, closings or bankruptcy.

And many of the rest, the ones that don't shrink or shut down, don't offer much hope for the millions of Americans looking for jobs.

Many small companies — outfits like florists, hardware stores and barbershops — tend to grow with the U.S. population, not faster. So they don't speed the economic recovery the way an exploding new industry might.

According to an August study by two University of Chicago economists, most small business owners just want to be their own boss and never expect to hire more than a few employees.

In fact, the more they study the numbers, the more they wonder what the politicians are getting so excited about.

Haltiwanger and two other economists showed, in a study of millions of companies throughout 30 years, that small businesses no more than five years old — that's about 40 percent of them — are the only ones that create more jobs each year than they cut.

In 2005, for instance, more than 99 percent of the 2.5 million net new private-sector jobs in the United States came from these startups, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

But, the 60 percent of small businesses that have been around more than five years act as a slight drag on the number of jobs available in the United States. They have cut about 0.5 percent more staff than they have added in a typical year, Haltiwanger said.

By contrast, big businesses, the ones that get all the headlines for layoffs, have hired more than they have cut — about 0.1 percent in a typical year.

Economist Charles Kenny, of the nonpartisan research group New America Foundation, goes as far as suggesting that Washington should stop offering certain incentives to small business owners, such as loan guarantees and write-offs on taxes for home offices. He says the money would be better spent subsidizing research and development.

"If you want jobs, you have to focus on the innovative firms trying to provide something new and different," he says.

The country's unemployment rate is 8.3 percent, the lowest in three years. But, the U.S. still has 5.6 million fewer jobs than before the recession. Assuming the pace of hiring from last year continues, it will take three years to recover all the lost jobs.

Small businesses aren't helping much. They cut more workers than they hired in all but three months last year, and they contributed zero to job gains again in January, according to a survey by the National Federal of Independent Business.

To change that record, Republicans say Obama needs to cut federal rules and paperwork that are burdensome for small businesses that don't have human resource departments, legal staff and vast resources like big businesses.

To comply with federal regulations on the environment, for instance, companies with fewer than 20 workers spent $4,101 per worker in 2008, or 4 1/2 times more than companies employing 500 or more, according to the Small Business Administration.

The same study showed these businesses spent three times more per worker on tax preparation than did their larger counterparts.

"As regulatory complexity increases, it's hard on small firms," says William Dunkelberg, chief economist at the National Federation of Independent Business, a group closely allied with Republicans. "We need to get government out of the way."

But, many economists think the root of the job problem is deeper.

Again, it's the difference between old small businesses and new small ones, and the U.S. is not creating enough of the new ones.

It was true even before the Great Recession: The number of startups less than a year old was no higher in the boom year of 2006 than it was 30 years ago, when the economy was much smaller, according to the Census Bureau. The ones that are launching are hiring fewer people, too.

The grim takeaway is that the U.S. could struggle with high unemployment long after a pickup in economic growth.

Even the idea that small businesses play an outsized role in the economy has come under attack lately.

A study from the left-leaning Center for Economic and Policy Research shows that the self-employed worker, that rugged exemplar of the small businessperson, accounted for less of the working population in the U.S. than in the other 20 rich countries tracked, except for Luxembourg.

Another study by economists at Harvard and Dartmouth suggests that might not be such a bad thing because poorer countries are more likely to have a higher share of their workers self-employed.

Adding fuel to the argument, Kelly Edmiston, an economist at the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, showed that workers at small businesses are more likely to lose their jobs and less likely to have vacation days, retirement plans and a range of other benefits, including health care. Some 41 percent of companies employing less than 100 people offered no medical insurance at all.

So, myths about job creation aside, why isn't the U.S. launching more startups? The risky economy, regulations or health care costs — a bigger burden for small companies — could be scaring them off.

Haltiwanger thinks demographics may be at work. He says businesses are often started by people in their 30s and 40s. So as the population ages and more baby boomers retire, the number of startups falls.

"We're a roll-the-dice economy. It has a lot of spillover effects," he says. "But, we're not experimenting enough."

Higher gas prices could curtail economy

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Gasoline prices have never been higher this time of the year.

At $3.53 a gallon, prices are already up 25 cents since Jan. 1. And experts said they could reach a record $4.25 a gallon by late April.

"You're going to see a lot more staycations this year," said Michael Lynch, president of Strategic Energy & Economic Research. "When the price gets anywhere near $4, you really see people react."

Already, W. Howard Coudle, a retired machinist from Crestwood, Mo., has seen his monthly gasoline bill rise to $80 from about $60 in December. The closest service station is selling regular for $3.39 per gallon, the highest he's ever seen.

Higher gas prices could hurt consumer spending and curtail the recent improvement in the U.S. economy.

A 25-cent jump in gasoline prices, if sustained throughout a year, would cost the economy about $35 billion. That's only 0.2 percent of the total U.S. economy, but economists said it's a meaningful amount, especially at a time when growth is only so-so. The economy grew 2.8 percent in the fourth quarter, a rate considered modest following a recession.

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The following documents are posted at http://www.panwest.org in the Download section:

1) The 2010-2013 Comprehensive HIV Services Health Care Plan: This is a summary of HIV services and goals for the PanWest area.

2) The Community Input Plan: This lists multiple ways that the AA uses to get feedback from the community.

3) The 2012-2013 Priorities and Allocations: This is a breakdown of how funding is split into the HIV service categories. For the Permian Basin area, Basin Assistance Services (BAS) is the agency that receives funds.

Your comments, questions, and concerns are welcome about the three documents. You may remain anonymous. If you do not have access to a computer, please call the AA to request a copy of the documents.

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1) Plan Integral de Atención de la Salud de Servicios de VIH de 2010-2013 (2010-2013 Comprehensive HIV Services Health Care Plan): un resumen de los servicios de VIH y objetivos para el área.

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Military's building boom in Texas may be ending

By Gary Martin
San Antonio Express-News

WASHINGTON — Nearly a decade of military expansion that helped buoy the Texas economy during the recession is coming to an end as Pentagon officials ponder budget cuts and a shrinking force structure.

"It looks to me like the big building boom from the military is screeching to a halt," said Nelson Wolff, the Bexar County administrative judge who has overseen a decade of defense-related growth in San Antonio.

President Barack Obama's budget blueprint for fiscal year 2013 contains $450 million in military construction projects in Texas — far less than $640 million last year and nearly a third of the $1.1 billion the state received in 2010.

Obama also has proposed two rounds of base closures as the Pentagon withdraws from wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"In some cases, that left us unsure where we need to make the 'milcon' investments," said Lt. Gen. Larry Spencer, the Pentagon director for force structure and resources.

Military construction proposals shrunk for Air Force, Army, Navy and the Marines as the Pentagon grapples with other cuts in spending dictated by last year's debt-limit deal between the administration and Congress.

The Defense Department also is finishing the last 2005 round of base closures, which prompted building booms in San Antonio and Bethesda, Md., where the Armed Services consolidated military medical operations.

Last year, Obama sought $331 million for military medical consolidation in San Antonio alone.

The 2013 budget out this week includes $80 million for the ongoing construction of a hospital at Lackland to replace Wilford Hall Medical Center.

Overall, the Air Force military construction budget shrunk by $900 million, said Maj. Gen. Edward Bolton Jr., Air Force deputy assistant secretary for budget.

"This one-year pause will give us time to ensure proper investment of limited resources in light of the ongoing budget reduction pressures and potential force structure changes," Bolton said during a Pentagon budget briefing.

The Army saw a similar building spree at Fort Bliss near El Paso when the U.S. Army 1st Armored Division was moved from Germany. Last year, Fort Bliss saw $286 million in construction; this year $214.6 million.

As the Pentagon turns off the spigot for military construction, Defense Secretary Leon Panetta told the Senate Armed Services Committee that further reductions are eyed at overseas bases.

The Defense Department announced the removal of two of four combat brigades in Europe. That would still leave 70,000 U.S. military personnel stationed abroad, where facilities could be pared.

"Finding further reductions and consolidations in our overseas force posture should be our first priority," Panetta said.

Boon to Texas

Nonetheless, the Obama administration's budget blueprint for military expansion at domestic bases for fiscal 2013, which begins Oct. 1, will impact the economies of states with multiple military installations.

Texas will still receive $450 million in construction projects, if approved by Congress.

The Texas Military Preparedness Commission, a panel appointed by Gov. Rick Perry, reviewed the president's budget last week in Austin.

"It's about being prepared, because the DoD budget plays a big role in our state's economy," said state Sen. Leticia Van de Putte, D-San Antonio, chairwoman of the Texas Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs and Military Installations.

Texas has more than 131,500 active-duty military and 48,000 civilian employees, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

State officials estimate that the economic impact of U.S. military payroll for active-duty, reserves and civilians to be more than $77 billion. The economic impact in San Antonio is estimated at $15 billion.

Military contracts totaled more than $60 billion for the state.

Federal military spending is one sector of the state's economy that helped Texas replace all 433,400 jobs shed during the recession as the state economy rebounded more quickly than the U.S. as a whole, according to Texas Comptroller Susan Combs.

Nationally, through January, only 36 percent of recession-hit jobs have been recovered, Combs said.

Cuts inevitable

Two of the largest projects for Texas are the ongoing construction of hospitals at Fort Bliss and Lackland.

Building at Fort Bliss alone accounts for $4.6 million in annual economic impact for the El Paso region, according to Rep. Silvestré Reyes, D-El Paso.

Wolff said the San Antonio area has been "very lucky" in terms of military expansion, mainly because of the 2005 base closure round and consolidation of military medicine at Fort Sam Houston. That created thousands of construction jobs.

Texas lawmakers are hopeful that state installations will be key to future expansion.

They point to expanding high-technology missions at Ellington Field Joint Reserve Base in Houston, where MQ-1 Predator drones are remotely manned, and at Lackland, where Air Force cyber security operations are conducted.

Texas lawmakers said they will oppose additional rounds of base realignment and closure, commonly called BRAC.

"Strategic needs have changed, and we certainly can't afford to maintain non-essential overseas bases," said Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas.

Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas, noted 2005 closures were completed just last year. "Congress is not ready for another BRAC, and neither is the military."

Wolff, meanwhile, is bracing for the possibility. "You can't expect Congress to meet spending guidelines without cutbacks."

Just the reduction in military construction will be felt by Texas cities.

"It does have an economic impact when you do cut back," Wolff said. "But, there is a clear consensus we need to cut back on spending.

"It doesn't surprise me. I think it needs to be done. We are going to get prepared," Wolff added.

Holder backs equal benefits for gay couples in military

New York Times

WASHINGTON — The Obama administration on Friday said it would not defend the constitutionality of statutes blocking same-sex military spouses from receiving marriage benefits — including rights to visitation in military hospitals, survivor benefits and to be buried together in military cemeteries.

In a letter to House Speaker John Boehner, Attorney General Eric H. Holder Jr. said the Justice Department shared the view of plaintiffs in a lawsuit in Massachusetts that such laws — including a part of the Defense of Marriage Act, and statutes governing veterans' benefits — are unconstitutional.

Holder announced nearly a year ago that the Obama administration would no longer defend the constitutionality of a section of the Defense of Marriage Act that prevents federal recognition of same-sex marriages that are legal at the state level. In response, House Republicans hired a legal team to defend the statute in the other lawsuits, taking the place of the Justice Department.

Boehner and other Republicans have criticized strongly the administration's abandonment of the Defense of Marriage Act, saying the Justice Department has a duty to defend federal statutes. A spokesman for Boehner's office referred questions to lawyers hired by the House, who did not respond to an email.

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Houston's voice soars at hometown funeral

Associated Press

NEWARK, N.J. — The best voices of a generation all paid tribute to her. But in the end, the most powerful voice at Whitney Houston's funeral was her own.

The first notes of "I Will Always Love You," at the end of a 3 1/2-hour remembrance of the pop superstar, played Saturday as her casket left the hometown church where she first wowed a congregation.

Her mother, gospel singer Cissy Houston, walked right behind her, sobbing, "My baby."

Houston's voice — "you wait for a voice like that for a lifetime," mentor Clive Davis said — moved her daughter, mourners like Oprah Winfrey and a packed church to tears after the biggest names in gospel and pop music sang about God, love, lost angels and moving on.

Stevie Wonder rewrote lyrics to "Ribbon in the Sky" for Houston — "you will always be a ribbon in the sky," he sang. So did gospel's the Rev. Kim Burrell for "A Change is Gonna Come," which cousin Dionne Warwick said was Houston's favorite song of all time. R. Kelly brought the New Hope Baptist Church to its feet with a stirring version of "I Look to You," the title of Houston's final studio album.

Wonder and Alicia Keys may have been the most famous singers offering tributes, in a congregation of mourners that included Winfrey, Mariah Carey, Kevin Costner and Chaka Khan. But, the church choir and performances from the Winans family, the gospel star Rev. Donnie McClurkin and Burrell were equally powerful.

Houston's 18-year-old daughter, Bobbi Kristina, sobbed and embraced Houston's close friend, singer Ray J at length, as her mother's voice began to drift through the church. His sister, singer Brandy, put her arm around him throughout the service.

Clapping hands, swaying and singing along with the choir to gospel hymns, the biggest names in entertainment joined Houston's family and fans in the New Jersey city where she was born and found her in voice in church.



Associated Press

A coffin holding the remains of singer Whitney Houston is carried into the New Hope Baptist Church before her funeral services in Newark, N.J. on Saturday.

Costner, Houston's co-star in "The Bodyguard", which spawned her greatest hit, imagined a young Houston using her winning smile to get out of trouble. He also remembered the megastar as uncertain of her own fame, who "still wondered, 'Am I good enough? Am I pretty enough? Will they like me?'"

"It was the burden that made her great and the part that caused her to stumble in the end," Costner said.

Filmmaker Tyler Perry praised Houston's "grace that kept on carrying her all the way through, the same grace led her all the way to the top of the charts. She sang for presidents."

Warwick presided over the funeral, introducing speakers and singers and offering short insights about her cousin; she joked that Houston's Super Bowl performance of "The Star Spangled Banner" became almost as big as the telephone book.

Houston's mother was helped by two people on either side of her as she walked in and sat with her granddaughter and other family to begin the service.

Houston's ex-husband, Bobby Brown, briefly appeared at her funeral, walking to the casket, touching it and walking out. He later said in a statement that he and his children were asked repeatedly to move and he left rather than risk creating a scene.

ESPN sorry for offensive headline on Lin story

Associated Press

NEW YORK — ESPN has apologized for using a racial slur in a headline for a story on Knicks sensation Jeremy Lin.

ESPN ran the headline "Chink in the Armor" after Lin had nine turnovers in New York's loss to the New Orleans Hornets on Friday night on its mobile website that could be seen on phones and tablet computers.

Lin is the NBA's first American-born player of Chinese or Taiwanese descent. He has captivated sports fans with unexpected dominance on the court that sparked a seven-game winning streak.

ESPN said in a statement Saturday it removed the headline 35 minutes after it was posted. The cable network said it is "conducting a complete review of our cross-platform editorial procedures and are determining appropriate disciplinary action to ensure this does not happen again. We regret and apologize for this mistake."

The story was first reported by Outsports.com.

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Opinion

Attacking religion in the name of public health

■ Progressive leaders honestly can't say contraceptives are under attack.



RICH LOWRY
King Features Syndicate

About a month ago, people who thought religious institutions shouldn't be forced to pay for things they morally oppose were unremarkable, boring even. Now, they are waging a heinous war on women.

Through the twisted logic of statism run amok, opposition to a new Health and Human Services mandate forcing employers to buy insurance covering contraceptives became opposition to access to contraceptives altogether. White House spokesman Jay Carney called a Senate bill to allow employers to forgo buying coverage for services they oppose — as they have throughout the nation's entire history up to this point — "dangerous and wrong."

Three Democratic women senators, Jeanne Shaheen, New Hampshire, Barbara Boxer, California, and Patty Murray, Washington, wrote in The Wall Street Journal that critics of the mandate "are trying to force their politics on women's personal health-care decisions." How are they proposing to do that exactly? The Catholic bishops merely are fighting to keep institutions affiliated with their church from getting coerced into participating in what they consider a moral wrong. They are the agents of a status quo that until recently wasn't considered objectionable, let alone an assault on women's health.

Supporters of the mandate, such as the three senators, cite the statistic from the Guttmacher Institute that 99 percent of women who have been sexually active in the U.S. have used birth control. This doesn't sound like a country facing a crisis of contraception. But prescription contraceptives are expensive, the senators argue, costing as much as $600 a year. (Or, looked at another way, less than $60 a month.)

Never mind that a vast government apparatus exists to provide poor women access to contraceptives, from Medicaid and community health centers to Title X. There are roughly 4,500 Title X-funded clinics around the country. They are required to provide free birth control to the poor and subsidized birth control to people with incomes between 100 percent and 250 percent of poverty. They serve about 5 million people a year.

By any reasonable standard, we are one of the most lavishly contracepted society in the history of the planet. Whoever wrote the Kahun Gynecological Papyrus circa 1800 B.C., with its references to crude contraceptives, would be shocked and awed at the bright, cheery display of condoms at the average drugstore. At drugstore.com, a pedestrian pack of 12 goes for about $10, with no stigma attached.

A Centers for Disease Control report this year found that among teen mothers who had unintended pregnancies, only 13 percent said they had trouble getting access to birth control. Robert Rector of The Heritage Foundation, an expert on out-of-wedlock births, said the category of unplanned pregnancies is more ambiguous than it sounds. It includes women who weren't planning a pregnancy right away but were still thinking about getting pregnant so weren't zealous in their use of contraception.

Of all the causes of the explosion in births to unwed mothers, limited access to contraception can't be high on the list. At the same time we have seen a profusion of contraceptives dazzling in their variety, impressive in their efficacy and democratic in their widespread accessibility, out-of-wedlock births have gone from 10 percent in 1970 to 42 percent today (largely among poor women with access to government-provided contraceptives).

In its extension to religious institutions, the HHS mandate only can reach a very narrow slice of the population. Women who aren't poor enough to get government assistance, yet aren't well off enough to afford their own contraception, can't get any other help and have no alternative but to work for an objecting religious institution. On behalf of this vanishingly small number of women, the Obama administration is willing to risk a political backlash and a rebuke in the courts.

If the mandate were only about extending contraception coverage, exempting religious institutions would be obvious. But it's more than that. It is about bringing institutions thought to be retrograde to heel and discrediting their morality. It is kulturkampf disguised as public health.

OUR VIEW

When will leaders address affordable housing issue?

What will it take for the lack of affordable housing to be seen as a major problem in Midland? We ask because we question whether the problem has registered with community leaders. The problem, as many have found out, is very real.

On average, apartment complexes in Midland are at between 98 and 100 percent occupied, according to the Permian Basin Apartment Association. Rent continues to increase, and at many complexes, monthly payments have increased between 25 and 40 percent during the last year. Rent for a one-bedroom apartment ranges from $700 a month to $1,000 a month. In most cases, apartment rents are higher than comparable apartments in Austin and Dallas.

The challenge for the Midland workforce to find affordable housing during boom conditions is a problem and expected to continue for the foreseeable future. Is it a crisis? It probably depends who you ask.

We learned this past week the number of children and families living in shelters has increased by 32 percent. A big reason, officials said, was the lack of affordable housing. Those living in a shelter included people drawing a regular check, according to the Homeless Coalition. The reason cited was high rents and the lack of available housing.

It wasn't long ago community leaders would tell the Reporter-Telegram about the desire to lure young people to Midland after they graduated from college. We could compete with the larger metropolitan areas even for those who had yet to find a job, they said. The high rents make that type of appeal seem far-fetched. With the exception of those recruited by oil companies or in a related field, residents faced with rental contracts can feel overwhelmed.

The housing situation, we know, keeps our economy from growing at an even greater rate. The jobs exist, but employees to fill those jobs can't find a place to live or afford the homes or apartments that are available.

Meanwhile, retailers, restaurants and local industries are strapped for employees. It places a strain on all our lives.

It's more than just an item on our wish list; it's an item that will weigh heavily on our community's success in the future.

This is an issue we must embrace head-on and solve.

Correction

An editorial in Friday's Reporter-Telegram inaccurately reported the amount of money city officials estimate will be left over in the 4B (sports complex) fund once the debt payments are paid off and capital expenditures are taken care of through 2016.

City officials have said while there is, at this time, $14 million more than what has been needed to pay off debt to date and make improvements to date, that amount, plus an additional $2 million, will be required to make the bond's final payment around 2016. Include capital improvement costs and debt service costs from now until debt retirement, and the amount left over in the 4B fund could be closer to $6 million.

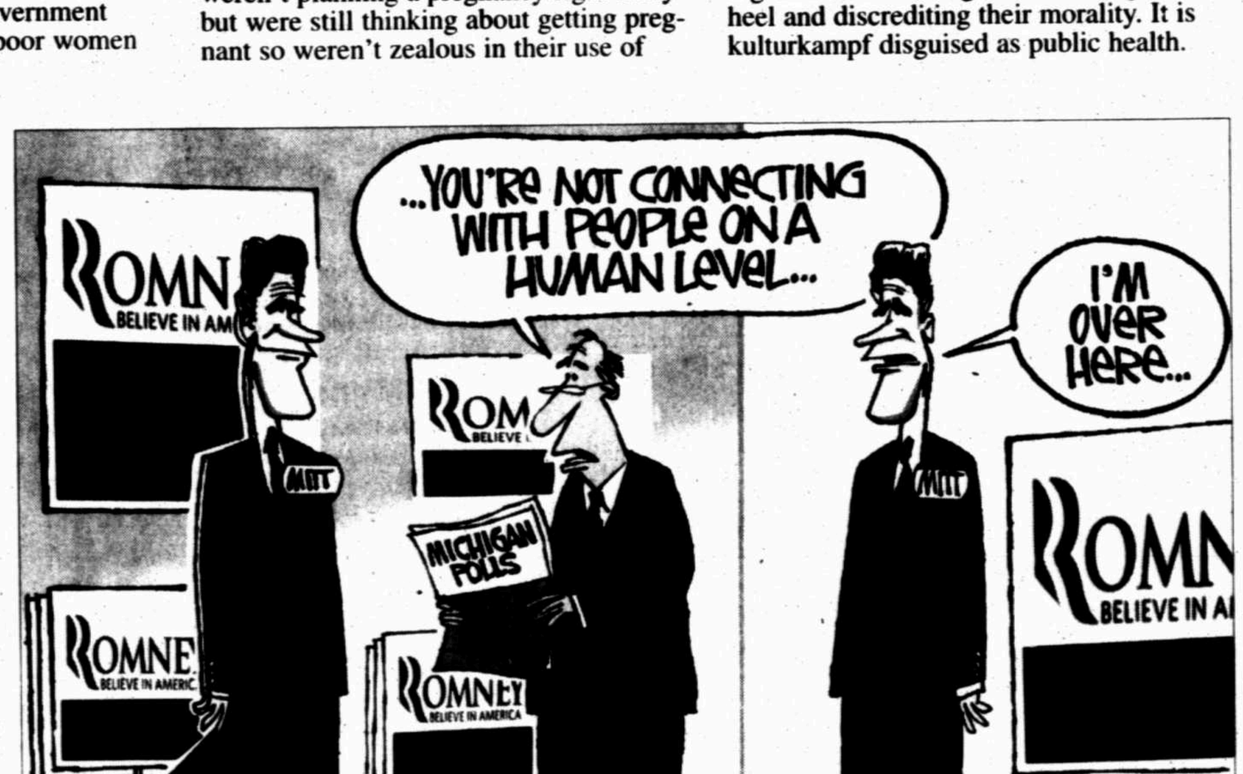
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Is it mission impossible for PBS?

■ Public broadcasting hasn't kept up with the changing TV landscape.

LLEWELLYN KING
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Things are tough in the world of public television. State budgets for local stations are being slashed or eliminated, as in Rhode Island where Gov. Lincoln D. Chafee has proposed to fund Channel 36 through Dec. 31 and then eliminate state funding.

Five states have eliminated funding and others have cut contributions.

In Washington, the federal contribution — through the Corporation for Public Broadcasting — is under constant attack from Republicans who believe that PBS is biased and that it shouldn't receive any public money.

Mitt Romney says no to federal money.

But a larger problem for PBS and its stations is one of mission.

When the service was created in 1970, the mission was apparent: Create quality programming that couldn't be found elsewhere. As PBS was cobbled together from a collection of educational stations, children's programming was always an important element and remains so; also important were books, cooking, political talk, business, interviews, documentaries, music and drama.

Over time, the television landscape has changed.

Competing broadcasters, to say nothing of the Internet, have eroded the once-solid franchises that were the backbone of PBS broadcasting.

Books largely have been ceded to C-SPAN and the ever-creative Brian Lamb. Cooking, far from the glory days when the only place you could find out how to make a roux was from Julia Child, is now the theme of two cable cooking channels that are creating new stars.

Political talk, which in its modern incarnation was born on PBS with "The McLaughlin Group" and "Firing Line," now is a staple of commercial television. Likewise, cable has pushed ahead of PBS in developing business (remember "Wall Street Week"?), interview, history and arts channels. Other PBS innovations like "Motor Week" and "This Old House" are also under attack on cable.

Running down the list of what PBS does that no one else is doing brings one to the last franchise that PBS still dominates, and that might be called the "British bonanza." PBS has been mining effectively the output of both the BBC and the commercial British television channels with great effect since the days of "Upstairs Downstairs" (commercial in Britain).

Today, in its struggle for audience, another British import, "Downton Abbey," is the brightest star in PBS' dimming firmament. Meanwhile, British comedies, British dramas, British detective series, British travelogues and even royal family sagas are prime-time fodder.

And how about all those programs with British professors standing in front of ancient monuments, telling us how it all began? Carry on, chaps!

If PBS is to again command the community loyalty it once enjoyed, if it is to answer its political foes, if it is to be a decisive force in television and perhaps on the Web, it needs to stop whining about money and to ask itself, "Is it new?" Is it bringing in and developing young talent? Is it doing something, anything, that will be imitated around the world? Is it creating programs that will bring in dollars in syndication and entice sponsors to be associated with the excitement?

In the 1960s the BBC, which had become a national treasure during World War II, had lost its way. Commercial television was eroding its audience and pirate broadcasters were attacking its radio franchise. The BBC got off the couch and joined the creative fray, especially the satirical revolution. Bam! It was back.

Of course, the BBC with its private tax, called a licensing fee, had a lot of money to spend. But it wasn't money that saved the BBC from ignoble decline — it was unleashing creative forces in post-Empire Britain.

Particularly, the BBC encouraged young writers and producers. It worked.

Today, there are creative and exciting things happening in television around the world. Reality need not be a dirty word. Nor should satire.

PBS should think of itself as an incubator, not as a roost for the old, the tired and the timid. Had PBS, or rather one of its bigger stations, been offered "The Daily Show" or its stable mate "The Colbert Report," it's hard to imagine that they would've been welcomed.

Jack Welch said when he was remaking General Electric, "If the rate of change internally is slower than the rate of change externally, then the result is known."

Yes, PBS, those reread English comedies and Lawrence Welk won't cut it going forward.

From the Left | Doonesbury



From the Right | Mallard Fillmore



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Trash is embarrassing to Basin resident

Driving between Odessa and Midland on Highway 191 every day, I am saddened and disgraced by the trash between these two cities. Along Loop 338 in Odessa and Loop 250 in Midland, the amount of trash is incredible. The trash is not just paper and plastic bags. It's large boxes, metal, tires, a mattress and even a ceiling fan on top of Loop 250 for almost a week.

Everyone visiting our cities is welcomed by all the trash. Our cities are beginning to look like landfills. I realize that with increased oil production comes increase in population and trash, but who would want to permanently relocate here in a trash dump?

Do we show a healthy, clean, prosperous community to raise our families, or a trash-filled, garbage dump to raise our children? I am embarrassed for our communities and would hope the city officials and residents also would be embarrassed to the point we demand something be done to change the way Odessa and Midland look.

If something is not done now, what will our cities look like when the oil boom ends?

Sharon Courtney

A solution to the littering problem

Place a 25-cent city tax on every plastic bag taken from a retail store. Pay a 5-cent bounty on every plastic bag turned in to a recycler.

This has worked to solve litter problems elsewhere.

Frank Weber

People coming together can keep city clean

The problem of trash littering our city is bigger than the plastic bag. I see empty plastic bottles, cardboard beer and soft drink cartons, paper sacks, Styrofoam cups and containers from fast food restaurants, cigarette packages, mywesttexas newspapers and even glass beer bottles on the streets of our neighborhoods. It is not the container, regardless of the material it is made of, that is the problem. It is a people problem. People living in our city must take responsibility for properly disposing their trash.

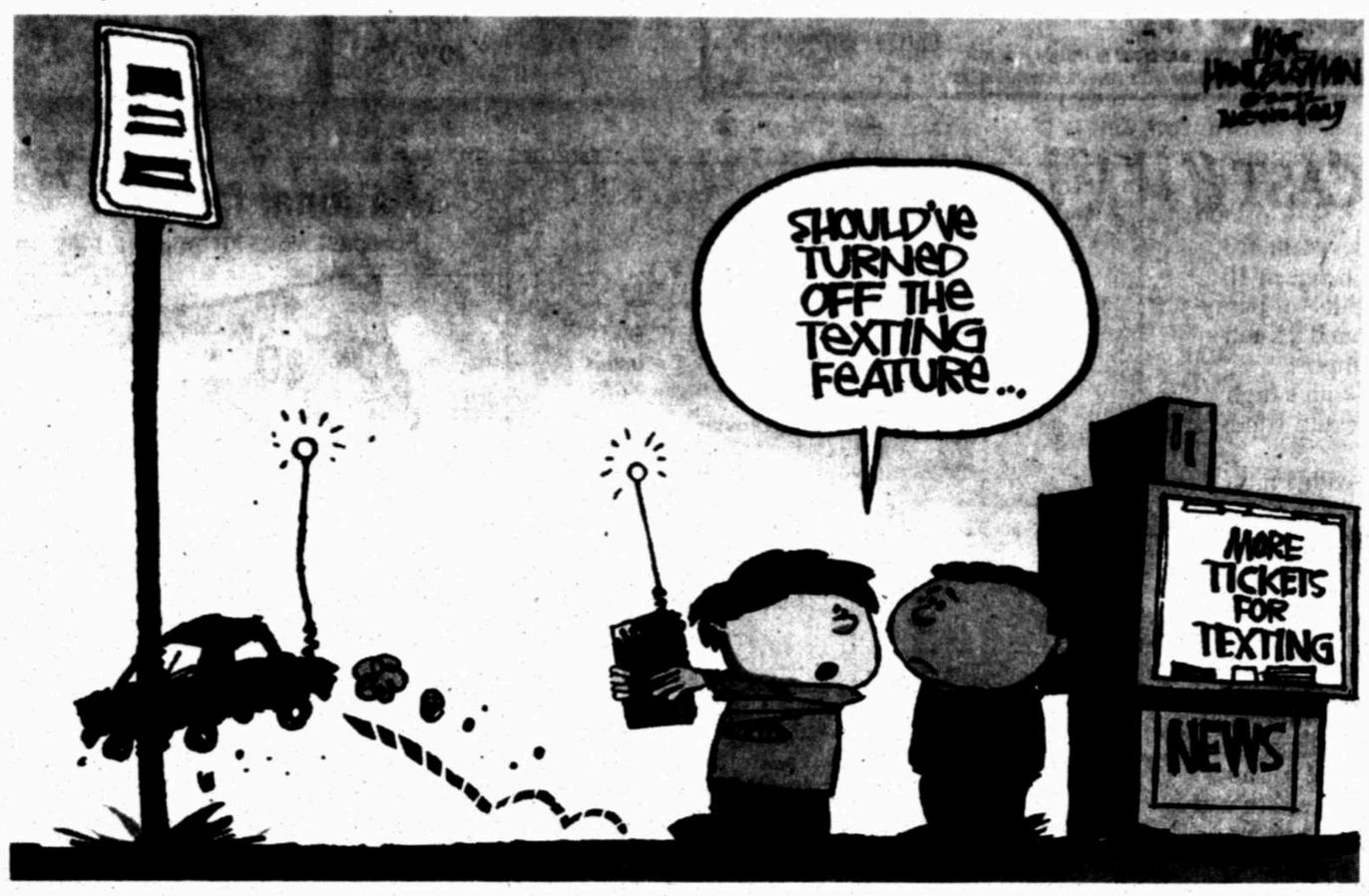
All age groups of our residents must check their attitude on this issue. It does not take a lot of effort to hold on to your empty containers until you can dispose of them properly. A homeowner or apartment resident frequently should check around their residence and street for unwanted material. Picking up this trash will be a big help toward keeping your area clean. Don't forget the area around the Dumpster, and keep the lid closed. It gets aggravating to pick up others' trash, but the alternative is not acceptable.

The elected leadership of our city, businesses, school administrators and all of us must work together as a team to solve the whole problem and not get stuck on the plastic bag. Surely, we can all work together within our city to make a commitment to keep our city streets, schoolyards and neighborhoods clean of all trash. It won't cost big bucks — just a little patience and time — to get the job done. It is time to "coach 'em up," not more regulations. We have heard the "two-minute warning." Let's all pull together in winning this game now. Can we count on you to be on the team?

Jim Limbacher

Who's been given the right to exterminate a species?

As the debate over the dunes sagebrush lizard (Sceloporus arenicolus) swings from one extreme to the next, I see few comments based on solid scientific data, and neither side considering a compromise for an equitable solution.



Having survived several "booms and busts" in our community since 1964, I have learned to love the Llano Estacado, the Chihuahuan Desert, the land's natural beauty and its abundant, unique wildlife and history.

Unfortunately, in the distant past, many companies have come and gone, punching holes and leaving the land scarred, poisoned and littered with refuse and waste scattered across the grasslands and dunes.

Today, progressive oil and natural gas companies have incorporated environmental preservation techniques with many billions spent on those concerns. Ranch owners also have been at the forefront of these conservation efforts.

Surely, we cannot accept the death of any species, no matter how insignificant it may seem, simply for fast track oil production.

This one lone voice asks — when has the right to exterminate any species been given to us?

Adopting science in concert with the industry and by using conservation knowledge and enhanced drilling techniques, we cannot only preserve our West Texas environment and its wildlife but also protect and preserve species and life forms threatened by forces that may not share our feelings for our unique environment — one having evolved over eons before mankind's arrival.

We are the caretaker of the lands and its resources; the natural inhabitants are at our mercy and disposal.

Sustainable solutions lie within greater human knowledge, compromise, environmental awareness and the realization that historically as the environment and fauna go, so will humanity.

It takes little wisdom to destroy an environment or its inhabitants for short-term gains.

To preserve, protect and co-exist within a natural biosphere will require the wisdom and dedication of bold women and men with the vision to look into the future for generations to come and to tackle the many challenges facing our global community.

Extreme short-term solutions in either direction will never prevail.

Mark Pelham

We should speak out on attacks on church

As a Catholic, I am disturbed by the federal government's mandate on the Catholic Church and insurance companies that they provide free contraception and abortive products in all "health care" plans regardless of religious beliefs. This is an attack on the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution that protects our rights of religious freedom and expression.

The mainstream politically correct press is quick to condemn crossing the line on separation of church and state when God's presence is evoked in a public event, but where is the condemnation when it is on the part of our government dictating a religious denomination to violate the precepts of its faith? As churches are under the threat of losing their tax-exempt status if they speak out against this infringement of the First Amendment, we, as people of all faiths, need to let our elected representatives know of our disagreement with this mandate by the executive branch without due process by the legislative branch (Congress).

You may disregard this issue by reasoning that you are not Catholic, but keep in mind this well-known statement attributed to pastor Martin Niemöller (1892–1984) about the inactivity of German intellectuals following the Nazi rise to power.

"First they came for the communists, and I didn't speak out because I wasn't a communist.

"Then they came for the trade unionists, and I didn't speak out because I wasn't a trade unionist.

"Then they came for the Jews. I didn't speak out because I wasn't a Jew.

"Then they came for the Catholics, and I didn't speak out because I was Protestant.

"Then they came for me, and there was no one left to speak out for me."

Thomas E Schneider

African-American stories worth telling

Thanks to Professor James Fuller and his wife, Robbyne, for their contributions to all our special celebrations. Thanks to the staff and editorial board of the Midland Reporter-Telegram for printing the marvelous student essays, "Tidbits of history."

I am an 83-year-old native Texan and lived the Negro experience. Our struggles have been heroic, and our victories worth chronicling.

Thanks to Palvasha Deme, Sagar Patel and Courtney Hoaglund. Their essays are conscientiously researched, well-written and interesting. The students have selected memorable people to write about. (I thought that Heman Sweatt actually was the first African-American to enroll at the university.)

I am a member of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. We, too, have a fantastic, glorious story to tell. Maybe next year.

Bobbye Gilbert

A family says thanks for your support

The Barfield family would like to say thank you to all the churches, McClatchy Brother Trucking and employees, Lori's Cafe patrons, Kay's Jewelry and everyone who gave their prayers and kindness to John and his family. The doctors say John is a walking miracle. Thanks for all your support.

T.J. Barfield

A good piece of beef can be hard to find

I won't mention any names, but I used to go to a certain restaurant for biscuits and gravy. But, that restaurant in Midland used so much salt that it was inedible. Same thing with my rib-eye from a different chain restaurant — too much salt.

So I figure, I will have to prepare my own steaks at home. The trouble with that is you can't buy a decent steak in a supermarket around here. I have never tasted such bland-tasting beef. I grew up on a cattle ranch in Montana, and I spent most of my adult life not far from the massive feedlot that is Greeley, Colo. I will never complain about the smell again because the beef was awesome.

Maybe that explains why Texans go so overboard with the barbecue. Use mesquite, salt, spices and rubs so that your beef tastes like something. Thankfully, I found a real meat cutter who, whether it is through proper preparation or aging — I don't know which — but at least it tastes like a cow. A proper cow — Hereford or Black Angus. Longhorn beef is an entirely different critter.

Emerson Stone

No substitute for doing the right thing

On Jan. 21, our son, Daniel, was driving home from work in a white Honda on Highway 349 about 1:30 p.m. when an oncoming black/dark-colored Dodge Ram pickup turned suddenly in front of him.

According to eye witnesses, Daniel swerved to miss both the pickup and oncoming traffic and ended up colliding with a telephone pole on the east side of 349. This incident killed our son instantly. The witnesses immediately stopped to render aid. They saw the driver of the black pickup stop and then speed away going back south toward Interstate 20 leaving our son to die on the side of the road.

My question is this: Was the driver of the pickup heartless or scared? If it were not for the good Samaritans named Nalleley Ochoa and Craigan Woods, I would lose some of my faith in humanity. Through all of this grief, I have found more good and kind people than cruel and dishonorable ones. I forgive the person who drove away from the accident, but the laws in Texas say that we must stop and render aid.

It is better to admit a mistake than to run away from it. Happiness comes from doing the right thing at the right time. Respect for others starts with respect for yourself. Please know that our family has had a tremendous outpouring of friends, family and kind strangers who have given us comfort during this time. Many of them reside in Midland. One of them is a prominent lawyer who willingly has given freely of his time and work for our daughter-in-law and our two grandsons, who are 4 and 2.

James 1:27 says: "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world."

If there are any other parents going through the loss of a child, please know God is near you and sends his abiding love through wonderful people who do the right thing for the right reasons. Our hearts are knitted together in understanding and love for our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Cynthia Breyman
Big Spring

Liberal press gives Obama a pass

When Barack Obama took office, he promised America an era of "hope and change."

The stunning level of corruption stemming from the half-a-billion-dollar Solyndra scandal and other scandals proves this was a lie.

Amazingly, the liberal media won't hold Obama fully accountable for the sewage of corruption and cronyism flowing straight out of the White House.

From the slush fund stimulus packages and sweetheart deals with companies such as General Electric, to paying kickbacks to unions and Obama lying about raking in campaign cash from fat-cat lobbyists, the liberal media refuse to do its job and be the ultimate check on government power.

Our nation urgently needs a fair and independent press for our democracy to thrive. It is outrageous — and downright dangerous — that the nation's press will not tell Americans the truth about the Obama administration's unethical and even criminal conduct.

I urge my fellow readers of the Reporter-Telegram to visit the Media Research Center's website (www.MRC.org) to learn the facts about cronyism and corruption tied to the Obama White House.

Kem Merren

Time to rise up, improve school facilities

Often, we look back at major community decisions and tell ourselves that we are sure glad we did that when we did. A caveat to that thought often is: Why did we wait so long to do that? Some recent examples of this could be the airport renovation, sports complex, performing arts center and new patient tower at Midland Memorial Hospital. In my opinion, in the near future, we will feel exactly that way about the solution recently devised to address our long-term water supply.

In my 35 years living in Midland, I have been dismayed at the lack of investment we have made in our public schools, choosing to take a myopic, Band-Aid approach to meeting our facility needs. Today, we are in the midst of an economic boom that can transform the Permian Basin for decades to come and, as a result, are caught up in a rising tide of student enrollment forcing us to play catch-up to meet this challenge. Twenty-first century educational facilities will enable us to recruit the best teachers — just as it has helped the hospital recruit doctors.

I implore all Midlanders to make themselves knowledgeable about our public school facilities and then rise up to help meet this infrastructure need, which is critical for us to take full advantage of this unparalleled economic opportunity in the Permian Basin.

In the 1950s, the MISD school board set out to have the best schools in the state of Texas and were willing to provide the facilities and staff to accomplish that. They didn't rely on the state or federal government to make that happen; they just did it.

Midland, in a nutshell, is self-reliance and a can-do attitude. Isn't that what we want and need to do about our schools right now?

David L. Smith

Time is right for investment in schools

The No. 1 need in our community has been met. Midland's 40-year water plan is being finalized, which will provide water by June 2013.

Now, Midland must tackle its next important issue, and that is education. Decades ago, companies like Humble, Gulf, Shell and Texaco brought young, talented professionals to Midland. It is the same today as independent companies comprising hundreds of entrepreneurial innovators are building their businesses. Each business requires skilled workers.

Midland's schools are overpopulated and outdated. A cross-section of Midlanders has developed this plan over many years. I encourage you to look at the statistics, the detailed plans and the construction budget. I started my investigation a year ago and now am convinced completely that this is the right thing to do. We now have the opportunity with our current economic condition to improve our public schools academically, physically and technologically.

I encourage the younger generation to get involved. We need you to take a lead role and make a difference for your children's future. I support the proposal to expand and improve our schools and encourage every Midlander to do the same.

Mayor Wes Perry

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MONDAY Sunny high 67 low 33

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LOCAL FORECAST

Expect mostly sunny skies today with a high around 64 and south winds between 10 and 20 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy conditions with a low around 35 and south winds between 10 and 20 mph.

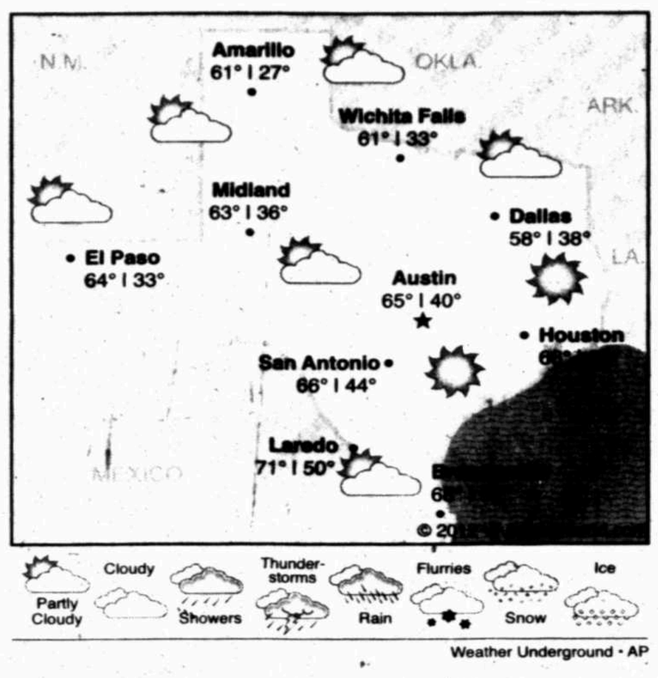
Monday, look for sunny skies with a high around 67, a low around 33 and south winds between 15 and 30 mph.

Tuesday, look for sunny skies with a high around 66 and a low around 38.

The high on Saturday reached 54 while the low dropped to 43. The record high for Feb. 18 is 87 set in 1996. The record low is 12 set in 1942.

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Snow or rain changing to snow will extend from just south of the Pennsylvania-Maryland border and the southern tip of New Jersey to the Virginias today. Rain will change to snow across much of Tennessee and the western and northern parts of North Carolina with accumulations from a trace to 4 inches, but locallyt there will be more than 6 inches in the mountains of northeast Tennessee and northwest North Carolina. Snow or rain changing to snow will make for a wintry day in Kentucky. Snowfall up to 8 inches will target the Rockies across Wyoming, Utah and Colorado.



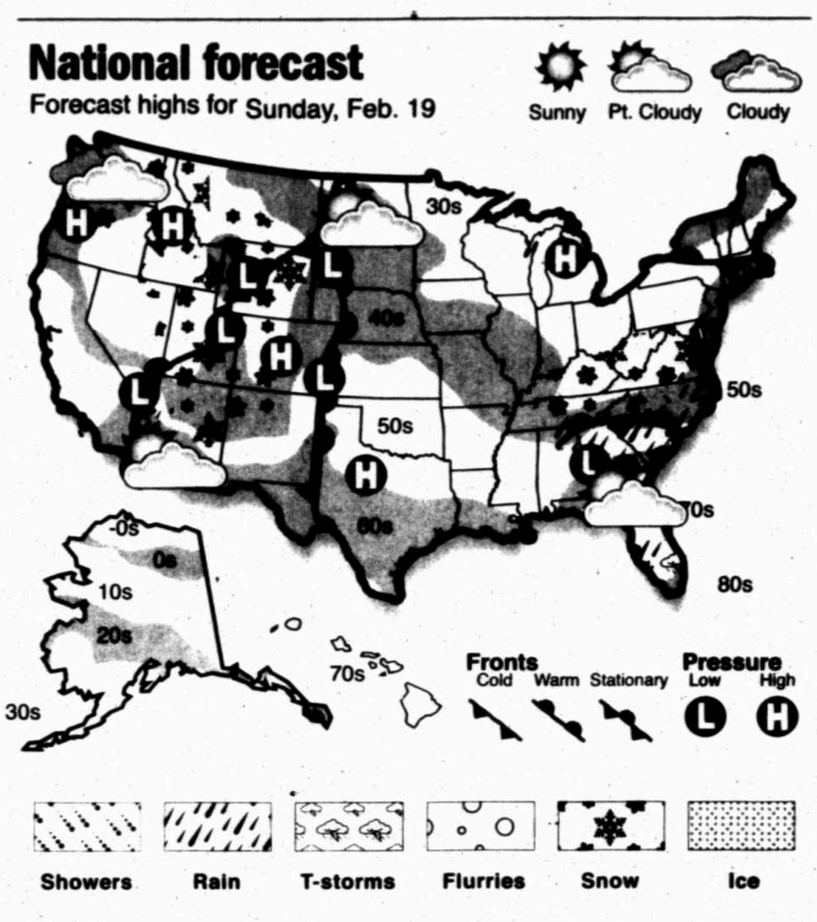
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Saturday	0.06 in.
Total for month	0.18 in.
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Saturday's temperatures

High	54
Low	43
Normal high	63
Normal low	35

Sunrise ... 7:27 a.m.
Sunset ... 6:38 p.m.



HISPANIC ISSUES

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So how Latino are ya?

■ There are plenty of battles raging right now, but one promises to split a community.

Latinos have a favorite parlor game no one ever seems to win. It's childish and cruel and yet extremely popular. It could be called "I'm more authentic than you."

I know this game. In fact, at various times throughout the years, I've sat down on both sides of the board.

When I was in college and going through an identity crisis of my own as a Mexican-American at a predominantly white school, I looked down on Latino classmates who I decided didn't sufficiently "identify" with their ethnic background. Maybe they spoke Spanish poorly, or wore blue contact lenses, or came from upper-class families.

Now, in a kind of karmic payback, others will sometimes do the same thing to me. Latinos on the left will read a column detailing my criticism of President Obama's cynical policy of deporting record numbers of illegal immigrants and accuse me of not being ethnic enough. Whatever that means.

Things take a turn toward the absurd when white liberals get into the act and eagerly try to assess my "Latinoness." Recently, one Obama defender labeled me "an apologist for Republiscum" and declared my ethnic identity "a bit tattered and less-than-authentic."

That line of attack is racist, rude and condescending. I can't imagine being so forward as to tell a black person he isn't "black enough," or a gay person that he isn't "gay enough." But apparently, it's fine to do that with Latinos.

Christina Aguilera knows exactly what I'm talking about. The pop diva turned reality-show star recently said in an interview she gets criticized for not being Latina enough.

"I've dealt with that (criticism) my whole life," the co-host of "The Voice" said in an interview with Latina magazine. "I don't speak the language fluently. And I'm split right down the middle, half Irish and half Ecuadorean. I should not have to prove my ethnicity to anyone. I know who I am."

She went on: "I wouldn't be questioned (about my heritage) if I looked more stereotypically Latina. Whatever that is. All I know is no one can tell me I'm not a proud Latina woman."

In 2007, Jessica Alba got in hot water with the culture cops after the third-generation Mexican-American — who is also part Dominican — appeared to downplay her ethnicity in an interview for a Spanish-language magazine.

"Alba is my last name, and I'm proud of that," the actress told the publication Para Todos. "But that's it. My grandparents were born in California, the same as my parents, and though I may be proud of my last name, I'm American. Throughout my whole life, I've never felt connected to one particular race or heritage, nor did I feel accepted by any. If you break it down, I'm less Latina than Cameron Diaz, whose father is Cuban. But, people don't call her Latina because she's blonde."

Latino bloggers went bonkers, viciously attacking Alba for not being Latina enough — and, more precisely, not proud enough of being Latina.

These are just two high-profile examples of Latinos who have had their ethnicity challenged. There are no doubt hundreds of thousands of other stories from everyday people.

Inter-ethnic group squabbling is nothing new. It was going on hundreds of years ago, and it'll probably be going on hundreds of years from now. At the beginning of the 21st century, Latinos may be disappointed in liberals and angry with conservatives, but they still save the sharpest barbs for one another.

It's a ridiculous waste of time, and a distraction Latinos can't afford right now. These are tough times for America's largest minority. Their numbers are growing, but so is the anxiety that other Americans are feeling about the idea that the United States is becoming a Latino nation. In Alabama, Arizona, South Carolina and probably other states to come, the resistance is digging in by passing anti-Latino laws disguised as immigration statutes.

Just when the nation's 50 million Latinos should be feeling more empowered than ever, many of them are feeling powerless and picked on. Just when our institutions — media, government, academia, corporations, etc. — should be embracing diversity, many of them seem to be intent on preserving the status quo.

Against this backdrop, Latinos need all the friends, allies and partners they can find. They can't afford to be at war with their own tribe. It's time for a truce.

Do Republicans care about Latino voters?

■ Adalberto Jose Jordan confirmation process another blow to Republicans' efforts to appeal to Hispanics.

Editor's Note: Dana Milbank has since offered a response to the criticism he received after writing this column. That response will appear on Monday's opinion page.

DANA MILBANK

Washington Post Writers Group



When it comes to Latino voters, Republicans must have un *impulso suicida*.

What else but a death wish could explain the party's treatment of the fastest-growing voting bloc in the nation? First was the wave of Arizona-style immigration laws. Then came the anti-immigrant rhetoric from the GOP presidential candidates. On Tuesday, Senate Republicans roughed up Adalberto Jose Jordan — because, well, just because they could.

Jordan is the picture of the American dream: Born in Cuba, he fled with his parents to the United States at age 6 and went on to become a lawyer and clerk for Justice Sandra Day O'Connor. With the support of his home-state senator, Florida Republican Marco Rubio, a fellow Cuban American, Jordan was nominated to become the first Cuban-born judge to serve on the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which covers Alabama, Georgia and Florida.

There is no serious objection to his confirmation — which makes the hazing he has experienced all the more inexplicable. Republicans slow-walked his nomination (he was approved unanimously by the Judiciary Committee last year), then filibustered his confirmation vote on the Senate floor. Even when the filibuster was broken Monday night (by a lopsided 89-5), a lone Republican, Sen. Rand Paul, of Kentucky, used a procedural hurdle to postpone the confirmation vote.

Congressional staffers I checked with couldn't recall a similar instance of blocking a confirmation even after a filibuster had failed. This would seem to be a unique humiliation for a man hailed by the Hispanic National Bar Association because of "the positive message this nomination sends to the Latino community."

Paul, whose home-state Hispanic population is just 3 percent, had a different message. He used his senatorial prerogative to leave Jordan twisting in the wind — because Paul wanted to use him as leverage to secure an extraneous amendment (rescinding foreign aid to Egypt) to an unrelated bill (transportation).

"Some senators are concerned that I may be delaying a vote in the Senate. This is not true," Paul said on the floor Tuesday morning, in direct contradiction of the facts. He complained about assistance going to the Egyptians, who "now hold 19 U.S. citizens virtually hostage."

Republican leaders couldn't — or wouldn't — defy their colleague. Asked about the holdup, Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell (Ky.) said only: "I'm a great admirer of the junior senator of Kentucky."

Democrats started reminding Republicans of their tone-deafness. "He'll be the first Cuban-born judge to serve on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit," Judiciary Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy of Vermont said, standing alongside a poster of the nominee. Leahy complained that if the biblical Moses were nominated, there "would be some on the other side who demand to see Moses the Lawgiver's birth certificate to make sure he wasn't born in Kenya."

Republicans should be sensitive to the tweak. The party's presidential candidates have done long-term damage by vowing opposition to the DREAM Act (legalization for illegal immigrants who serve in the armed forces) and by trying to paint each other as too soft on immigration (highlighted by Herman Cain's call for a lethal electric fence). Rubio and Jeb Bush have called for an end to what Rubio called "harsh and intolerable" rhetoric.

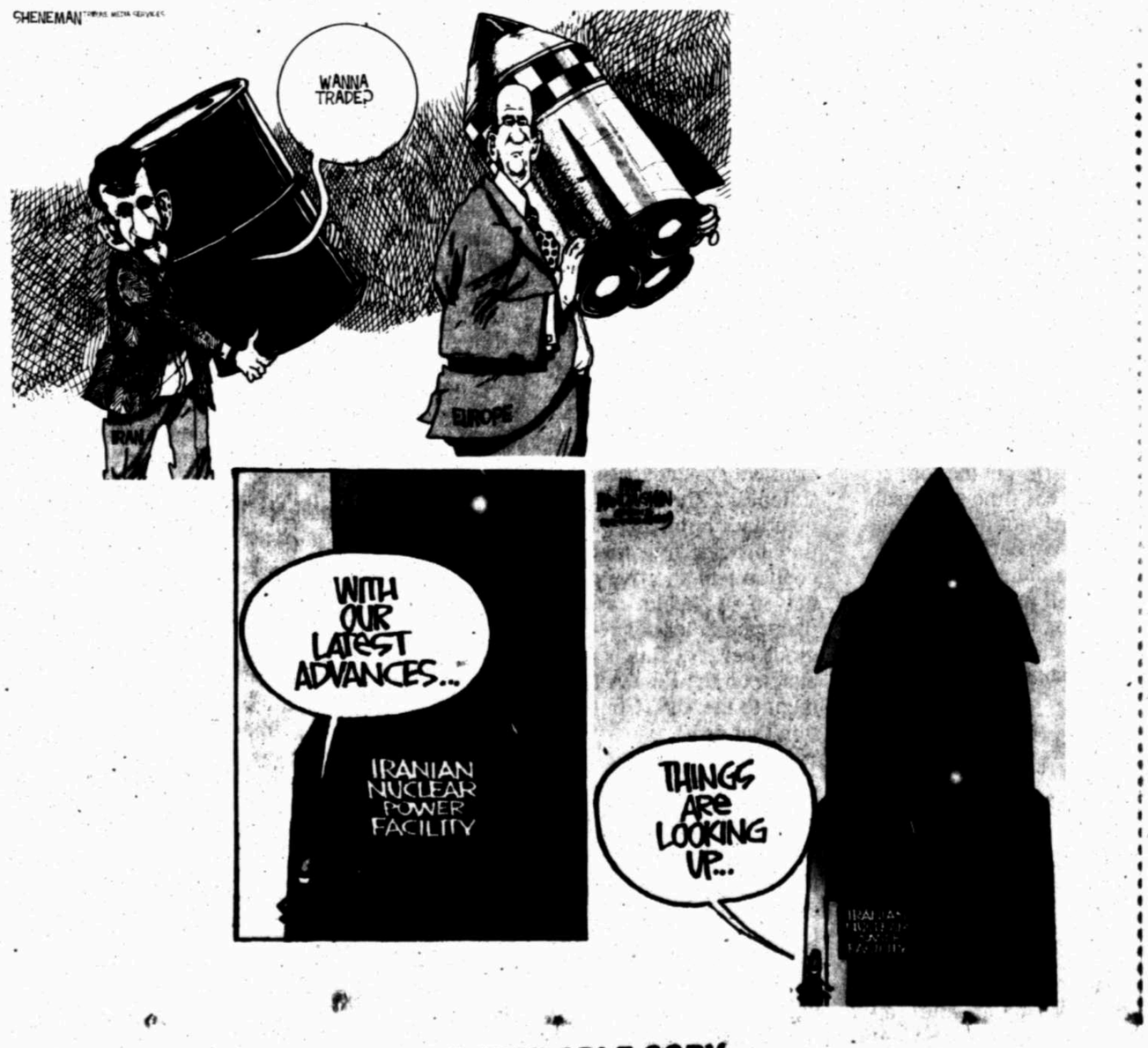
The Hispanic population is expected to double — to 30 percent of the United States population — in the coming decades. So if Latinos continue to vote 2-to-1 for Democrats, the Republican Party will become irrelevant. Zoltan Hajnal, of the University of California, San Diego, an authority on racial politics, sees a parallel with the Republicans' alienation of African-Americans in the 1960s. "The image of the party is pretty clear to most Latinos," he said, "and once party images are built, they get passed on from parent to child in a process that's very resistant to change."

The party simply can't afford self-inflicted wounds such as the Jordan debacle. "He's an integral part of our community," Rubio told his colleagues.

But, Republicans didn't care enough about that to stand up to Paul. Through the "debate" on the nomination, one senator after the other came to the floor — and ignored the delay.

Some spoke about transportation. Others spoke about the budget. Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., spoke about the wonders of his state. "The lettuce in your salad this month almost certainly came from Arizona," McCain said. "It's also believed that the chimichanga has its origins in Arizona."

The chimichanga? It may be the only thing Republicans have left to offer Latinos.



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Calif. shooting latest woe for immigration agency

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The deadly office shooting in California involving a federal immigrations supervisor and a special agent is the latest mark against U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the law enforcement agency created after the 2001 terror attacks.

Its officers and agents have themselves been arrested for crimes, accused of improper relationships with informants, convicted in embezzlement cases and more.

Insiders said ICE, which operates under the Department of Homeland Security, struggles to overcome internal friction and competing cultures among employees who worked at the different federal agencies that were combined nine years ago to form ICE: the former Customs Service in the Treasury Department and the Justice Department's Immigration and Naturalization Service.

"It was more like a hostile takeover, and Customs clearly had the upper hand," said T.J. Bonner, a retired Border Patrol agent who has worked with ICE. He described the agency's formation as "an unfriendly merger."

Investigators were piecing together details of Thursday's chaotic scene at the ICE office in Long Beach. They said a supervisory agent, Ezequiel Garcia, shot Kevin Kozak, the agency's second in command, at least six times. Another agent, whose name was withheld, fatally shot Garcia.

A federal official with knowledge of the investigation told the Associated Press that Kozak had denied a request for an internal transfer by Garcia. Kozak formerly worked at the Customs Service; Garcia worked for the now-defunct Immigration and Naturalization Service and was promoted in 2004 to be a supervisor within ICE.

Beyond organizational squabbles among its employees, ICE has suffered public embarrassments:

■ Frank Johnston, a former assistant special agent in charge in the Los Angeles area, was convicted in December of obstruction of justice and making false statements for lying about an informant helping with an organized crime and human smuggling investigation. Johnston and his wife, Taryn, also are facing charges that they schemed to have her paid for a job with ICE that she didn't actually work. Prosecutors have accused the couple of illegally obtaining $582,000 in salary and benefits over several years. Both have denied wrongdoing.

■ A former ICE intelligence analyst in El Paso was sentenced last month to one year in prison in an alleged embezzlement scheme. A second former analyst and a former agency contractor have pleaded guilty to related charges. The then-ICE deputy director of intelligence in Washington, James M. Woosley, was suspended last year as part of the investigation.

■ Federal agents searched the Los Angeles office of assistant special agent in charge George Guzman in 2009 to help determine whether he lied on his resume about his education. Guzman did not immediately respond to a request for comment sent to his DHS email address Friday.

■ Another federal agency, the Drug Enforcement Administration, accused ICE agents in 2004 of allowing more than a dozen murders to take place in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, and for endangering the lives of DEA agents and their families. The DEA said ICE used "a homicidal maniac" as an ICE informant even after he was implicated in the murder of an associate of the Juarez cartel in Mexico.

■ An ICE deportation officer was accused in October of leading authorities on a high-speed desert chase in Arizona as he threw bundles of marijuana from his government truck.

Other ICE agents have been investigated for drunken driving in government cars, lying to other investigators and misusing their position for personal gain. One was investigated for having an inappropriate relationship with the target of an ICE investigation. Another was investigated for using his government position to ask questions from Texas about his mother-in-law's eviction in New Mexico.

Julie Myers Wood, who led ICE from 2006 until November 2008, noted that other law enforcement agencies also have suffered embarrassing episodes.

"Every large organization struggles to ensure that it avoid problems with misconduct," Wood said. She added that the scope of the agency's work — ICE enforces more federal laws than any other law enforcement agency — and its focus on immigration enforcement may keep it in the spotlight.

"Merging the two agencies has been and will continue to be a significant challenge," Wood said. "A lot of progress has been made, but there is still a lot to do.

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RHODE ISLAND

Atheists raise $40K for student in prayer flap

CRANSTON — A national association that says there's no proof for the existence of God is managing a scholarship fund set up for a teenage atheist at the center of a dispute over a prayer banner at a Rhode Island school.

The American Humanist Association said 16-year-old Jessica Ahlquist was targeted with online threats after she challenged the constitutionality of the display at Cranston High School West. It said she stood up against her critics "with class and style."

A federal judge last month ordered the banner removed. A school committee on Thursday decided not to appeal.

Blogger Hemant Mehta started a campaign at the Friendly Atheist website to raise money for Ahlquist.

The Friendly Atheist said the fund has brought in more than $40,000. The fundraiser runs through the end of February.

VATICAN CITY

Pope sets Oct. 21 to make US saints

Pope Benedict XVI has set Oct. 21 as the date to make two U.S. saints: Kateri Tekakwitha, a Mohawk Indian who spent most of her life in what is now upstate New York, and Mother Marianne Cope, who began religious life in the same area but moved to Hawaii to care for leprosy patients.

Benedict already had approved miracles attributed to the two, the final step toward sainthood. At the end of a ceremony Saturday to make 22 new cardinals — including New York Archbishop Timothy Dolan — Benedict announced the date for canonization of the two women and five others.

FLORIDA

Woman, 20, dies after church shooting

ST. PETERSBURG — Authorities said a Florida pastor's daughter who was accidentally shot in the head in a church died Saturday at a hospital.

The Pinellas County Sheriff's Office said 20-year-old Hannah Kelley was pronounced dead about 10:20 a.m. Saturday at Bayfront Medical Center. An autopsy is pending.

Kelley had been hospitalized since Feb. 19, when she was struck in the head by a bullet at Grace Connection Church in St. Petersburg, where her father, Tim Kelley, is pastor.

Authorities: NYPD monitored Muslim students

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The New York Police Department monitored Muslim college students far more broadly than previously known, at schools far beyond the city limits, including the Ivy League colleges of Yale and the University of Pennsylvania, the Associated Press has learned.

Police talked with local authorities about professors 300 miles away in Buffalo and even sent an undercover agent on a whitewater rafting trip, where he recorded students' names and noted in police intelligence files how many times they prayed.

Detectives trawled Muslim student websites every day and, although professors and students had not been accused of any wrongdoing, their names were recorded in reports prepared for Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly.

Asked about the monitoring, police spokesman Paul Browne provided a list of 12 people arrested or convicted on terrorism charges in the United States and abroad who had once been members of Muslim student associations, which the NYPD referred to as MSAs. Jesse Morton, who this month pleaded guilty to posting online threats against the creators of "South Park," had once tried to recruit followers at Stony Brook University on Long Island, Browne said.

"As a result, the NYPD deemed it prudent to get a better handle on what was occurring at MSAs," Browne said in an email. He said police monitored student websites and collected publicly available information, but did so only between 2006 and 2007.

"I see a violation of civil rights here," said Tanweer Haq, chaplain of the Muslim Student Association at Syracuse. "Nobody wants to be on the list of the FBI or the NYPD or whatever. Muslim students want to have their own lives, their own privacy and enjoy the same freedoms and opportunities that everybody else has."

In recent months, the AP has revealed secret programs the NYPD, built with help from the CIA, to monitor Muslims at the places where they eat, shop and worship. The AP also published details about how police placed undercover officers at Muslim student associations in colleges within the city limits; this revelation has outraged faculty and student groups.

Although the NYPD said it follows the same rules as the FBI, some of the NYPD's activities go beyond what the FBI is allowed to do.

Kelly and New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg repeatedly have said that the police only follow legitimate leads about suspected criminal activity.

But, the latest documents mention no wrongdoing by any students.

In one report, an undercover officer describes accompanying 18 Muslim students from the City College of New York on a whitewater rafting trip in upstate New York on April 21, 2008. The officer noted the names of attendees who were officers of the Muslim Student Association.

"In addition to the regularly scheduled events (rafting), the group prayed at least four times a day, and much of the conversation was spent discussing Islam and was religious in nature," the report said.

Praying five times a day is one of the core traditions of Islam.

Jawad Rasul, one of the students on the trip, said he was stunned that his name was included in the police report.

"It forces me to look around wherever I am now," Rasul said.

Another student, Ali Ahmed, whom the NYPD said appeared to be in charge of the trip, said he understood the police department's concern.

"I can't blame them for doing their job," Ahmed said. "There's lots of Muslims doing some bad things, and it gives a bad name to all of us, so they have to take their due diligence."

City College criticized the surveillance and said it was unaware the NYPD was watching students.

"The City College of New York does not accept or condone any investigation of any student organization based on the political or religious content of its ideas," the college said in a written statement. "Absent specific evidence linking a member of the City College community to criminal activity, we do not condone this kind of investigation."

Browne said undercover officers go wherever people they're investigating go. There is no indication that, in the nearly four years since the report, the NYPD brought charges connecting City College students to terrorism.



Associated Press

A person walks on the University at Buffalo campus in Buffalo, N.Y., on Wednesday. The New York Police Department monitored Muslim college students far more broadly than previously known, at schools far beyond the city limits, including the University at Buffalo, the Ivy League colleges of Yale and the University of Pennsylvania, the Associated Press has learned.

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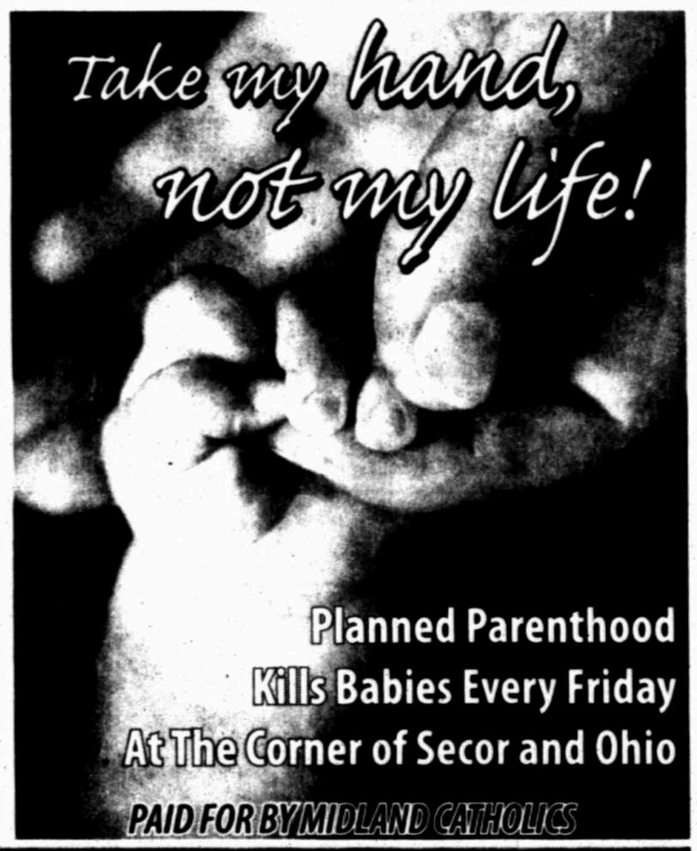


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CAIRO
Egypt sets start date for NGO trial

Egypt will begin hearing the criminal trial of 19 Americans and 24 others on Feb. 26 in a politically charged case against foreign-funded pro-democracy groups, the country's state news agency said Saturday.

The trial represents an escalation in what has become the deepest crisis in U.S.-Egyptian relations in decades. American officials have said the investigation could hinder the more than $1 billion in U.S. aid that Cairo receives. Egyptian authorities have blasted what they call U.S. interference in legal affairs.

Egypt's state news agency reported that the trial would open before a Cairo court on Feb. 26. It said 19 of the 43 defendants are Americans and 16 are Egyptians. The rest are Germans, Palestinians and Jordanians.

The Americans work for four U.S.-based groups: the International Republican Institute, the National Democratic Institute, Freedom House and a group that trains journalists.

BEIRUT
Syrian forces fire on funeral, kill 1

Syrian security forces fired live rounds and tear gas at thousands of people marching Saturday in a funeral procession that turned into a protest in Damascus, killing at least one person, activists said. It was one of the largest demonstrations in the capital since the 11-month uprising against President Bashar Assad began.

The fresh violence erupted during a visit by an envoy from China, which along with Russia recently supported Syria by vetoing a U.N. Security Council resolution that would have condemned Assad's regime. A Chinese foreign minister urged dialogue and called on all parties to stop violence.

Diplomats: Iran poised for big nuke jump

Associated Press

VIENNA — Iran is poised to greatly expand uranium enrichment at a fortified underground bunker to a point that would boost how quickly it could make nuclear warheads, diplomats told the Associated Press.

They said Tehran has put finishing touches for the installation of thousands of new-generation centrifuges at the cavernous facility — machines that can produce enriched uranium much more quickly and efficiently than its present machines.

While saying that the electrical circuitry, piping and supporting equipment for the new centrifuges was now in place, the diplomats emphasized that Tehran had not started installing the new machines at its Fordo facility and could not say whether it was planning to.

Still, the senior diplomats — who asked for anonymity because their information was privileged — suggested that Tehran would have little reason to prepare the ground for the better centrifuges unless it planned to operate them. They spoke in recent interviews — the last one Saturday.

The reported work at Fordo appeared to reflect Iran's determination to forge ahead with nuclear activity that could be used to make atomic arms despite rapidly escalating international sanctions and the latent threat of an Israeli military strike on its nuclear facilities.

Fordo could be used to make fissile warhead material even without such an upgrade, the diplomats said.

They said that although older than Iran's new generation machines, the centrifuges now operating there can be reconfigured within days to make such material because they already are enriching to 20 percent — a level that can be boosted quickly to weapons-grade quality.

Their comments appeared to represent the first time anyone had quantified the time it would take to reconfigure the Fordo centrifuges into machines making weapons-grade material.

In contrast, Iran's older enrichment site at Natanz is producing uranium at 3.4 percent, a level normally used to power reactors. While that too could be turned into weapons-grade uranium, reassembling from low to weapons-grade production is complex, and retooling the thousands of centrifuges at Natanz would likely take weeks.

The diplomats' recent comments came as International Atomic Energy Agency inspectors are scheduled to visit Tehran today. Their trip — the second this month — is another attempt to break more than three years of Iranian stonewalling about allegations that Tehran has — or is — secretly working on nuclear weapons that would be armed with uranium enriched to 90 percent or more.

Diplomats accredited to the IAEA expect little from that visit. They told the AP that — as before — Iran was refusing to allow the agency experts to visit Parchin, the suspected site of explosives testing for a nuclear weapon and had turned down other key requests made by the experts.

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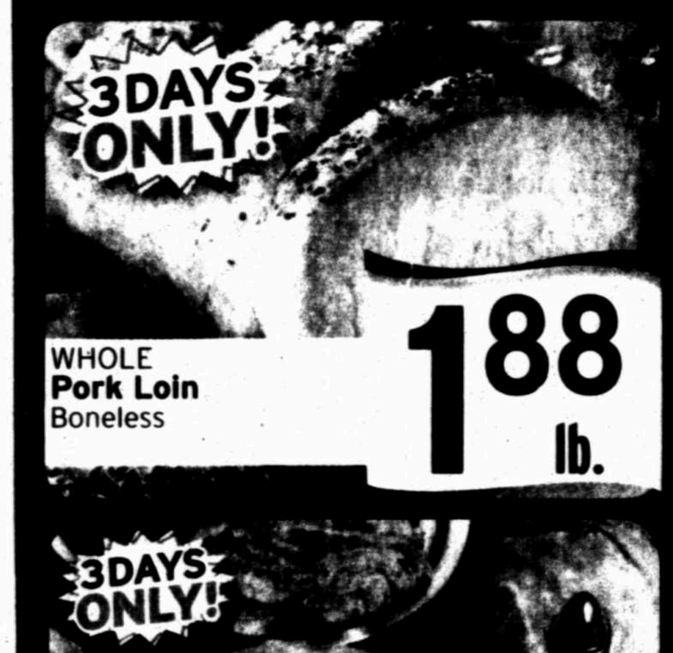


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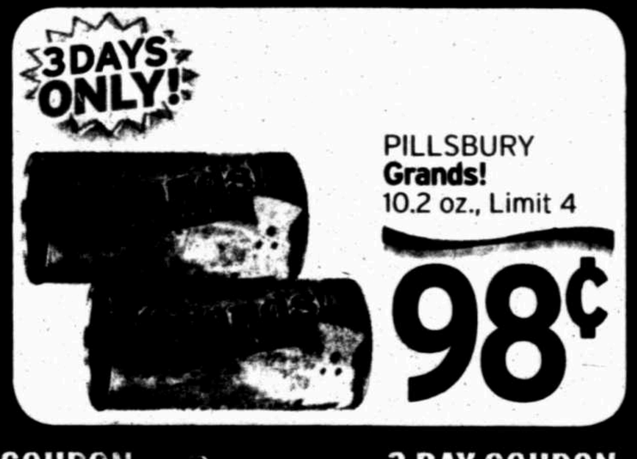
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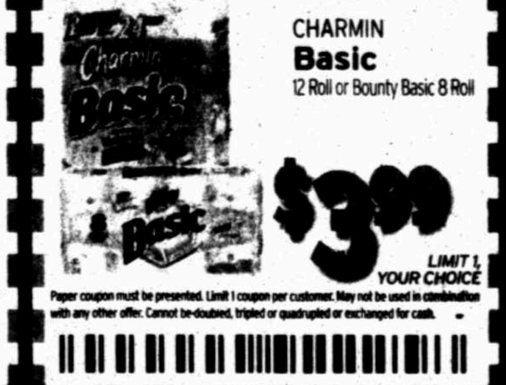
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Local & State

Dewhurst, Conaway hear municipalities' issues

By Mella McEwen
Oil Editor

"I wanted to come visit with you all, so I brought paper and pen," said Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst as he prepared to hear from local elected officials and business representatives Saturday at the Fischer Community Room in the Atmos Energy building.

U.S. Rep. Mike Conaway joined Dewhurst at a business roundtable that the Midland-Odessa Transportation Alliance and the Permian Basin Petroleum Association sponsored.

"It's always great to have leaders across the counties share the issues they're sturggling with," said Conaway, the Midland Republican. He added he wants to see if he can provide any federal help with the counties' problems.

Dewhurst and Conaway heard concerns about water and transportation, about the Endangered Species Act and about limiting hydraulic fracturing.

Midland County Judge Mike Bradford said residents always talk with him about water and the roads, and he urged Dewhurst to fund the Texas Water Plan.

Dewhurst said Texas voters recently passed a $6 billion bond as an initial step and promised he would work with legislative committees before the Texas Legislature meets in January 2013 to find funding for the plan. It's important for counties and mayors across the state to have a plan in place so they can make long-term water purchases, he said.

On the topic of transportation, Dewhurst said the state needs to generate more funding for its roads. He added that the taxes added to gasoline prices that funds roadwork are diminishing because of more efficient cars, which causes Texans to use less fuel.

"There's no one silver bullet (to solve the issue)," he said.

Drew Crutcher, a founding member of MOTRAN and a member of the Texas Department of Transportation's 2030 commission that looked at funding needs through 2020, said the commission looked at every possible source of funding.

"The one thing that is clear is that the average driver is going to pay one way or another, either through delays or through higher fees," he said. "(The average resident) has the responsibility to get ready to support some of these needs."

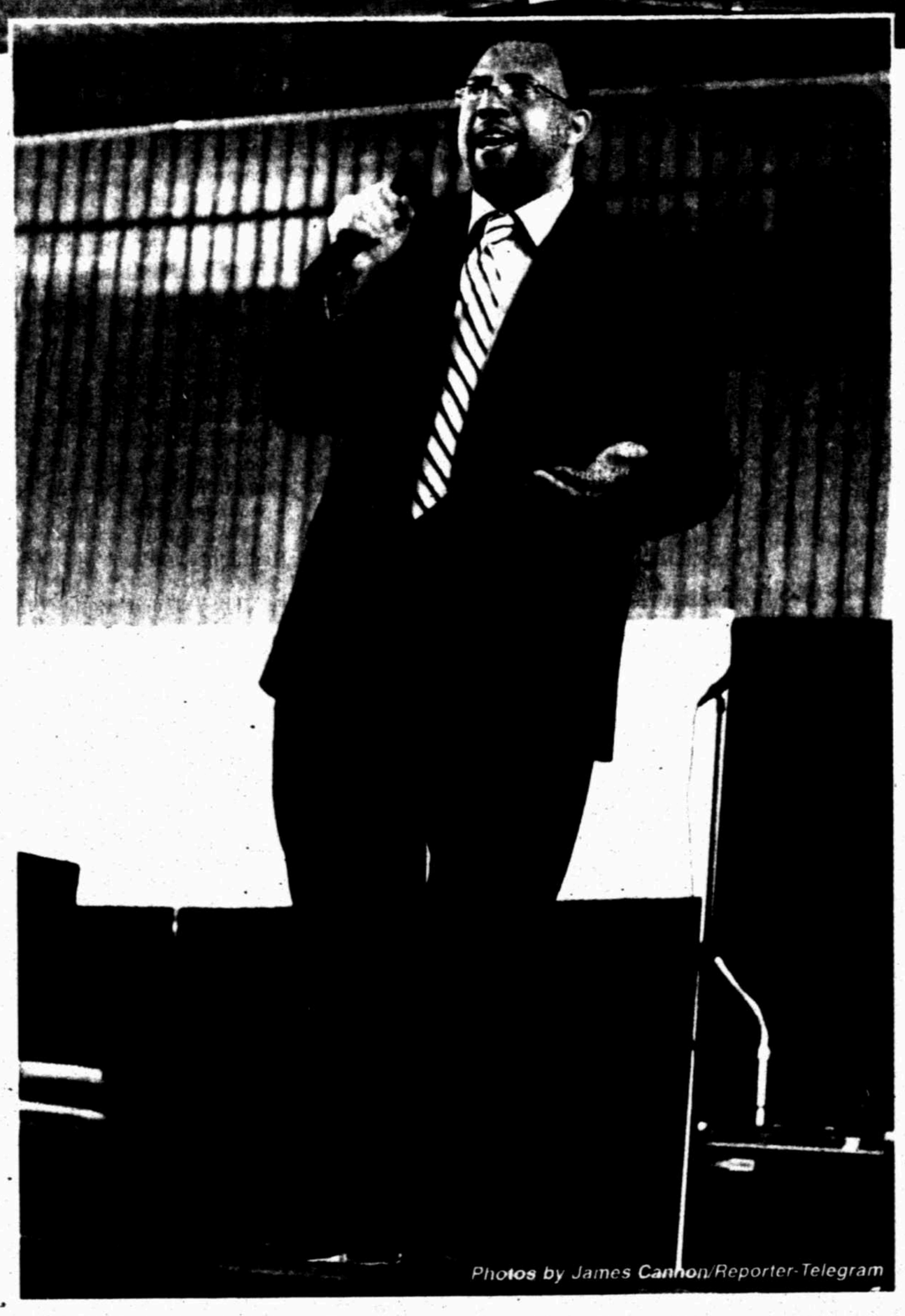
That support could take the form of increased fees or new permit fees. It also could mean installing systems that measure a car's size and weight and how many miles it is driven. The system then would tax the driver based on these measurements.

Midland County Commissioner Robin Donnelly said whether it is a federal or state official, they need to recognize that rural areas — and Midland is considered rural — have different issues than urban areas. Regulators should look past

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Black Pearl Expo





Photos by James Cannon/Reporter-Telegram

ABOVE: Beginner dancers with Shout Cheerleading, of Odessa, perform to "Footloose" at the second annual Black Pearl Expo on Saturday afternoon at the Horseshoe Arena. The event featured vendor booths, live entertainment and a talent showcase. A tribute to "Soul Train's" Don Cornelius was held after the event.

RIGHT: Upward Bound Director and Midland College professor Pervis Evans speaks to dozens of people at expo at the Midland Horsehoe Arena Saturday afternoon. He spoke about the importance of positive role models in the African-American community and the need for youth to further their education by attending college.



TERRY WILLIAMSON
Real life columnist

Much to celebrate about our presidents on their day

The wife and I will celebrate our 42nd anniversary on Wednesday. I used to be able to keep track of the anniversary. I had it all planned out until I got bushwhacked by the U.S. government.

When we got married, Feb. 22 was a national holiday that celebrated George Washington's birthday. I knew I was set. I never would forget our anniversary. But, the government decided Washington's birthday wasn't good enough. They changed it to Presidents Day.

Well, it's not really Presidents Day; it's a combination of Abraham Lincoln's birthday and Washington's birthday. Lincoln's birthday is Feb. 12 and Washington's is Feb. 22. So now we don't have a holiday on either president's birthday. It's like government mandated they were born on the same day so we could have a three-day weekend, and so I couldn't remember my anniversary. There is no question it's a conspiracy.

But, I'm all about making the most of a bad situation. I love studying the lives of the presidents. Did you know that Washington was 6-foot-3 and had size 13 feet? Man, that must have been NBA size back in the day. Lincoln was 6-foot-4 but didn't play basketball, either. He just chopped logs for the fireplace.

In contrast, James Madison was only 5-foot-6, 130 pounds. He couldn't even play Pee Wee football. Not all of our presidents were imposing figures. Franklin Delano Roosevelt was the only president to be elected four terms. He had polio and governed from a wheelchair.

A lot of presidents served two terms, but Roosevelt was the only one to serve more than two. Grover Cleveland was the only president to serve discontinuous terms.

There were a few presidents who didn't make it through their term. James Garfield served less than a year before he was shot in the back at a railroad station by a crazed disappointed office-seeker. Lincoln and John Kennedy also were

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Some Midlanders buck the trend by marrying young

Well, it has begun.

Pictures of engagement rings are starting to show up on my Facebook news feed, and save the dates are showing up in my own mailbox. I'm told this is just the beginning.

At the tail end of 23, I'm starting to realize that the subject of elementary slumber parties are now becoming a reality for some of my friends, and I even adorned a bubbly bridesmaid dress for my college roommate's wedding last September.

I probably shouldn't be surprised. After all, my parents were married at 22, shortly after their college graduations. There was even a time I assumed that by some unspoken law of nature I naturally would follow suit. Then I graduated from college, took a year off to volunteer abroad, and started my career in a new city. When was there time to get married?

It turns out I'm not alone. The median age at first marriage for Americans in 2010 was 28.7 for males and 26.7 for females, according to data from the American Community Survey. In 1980, the year my parents were married, the median ages were 24.7 for men and 22 for women.

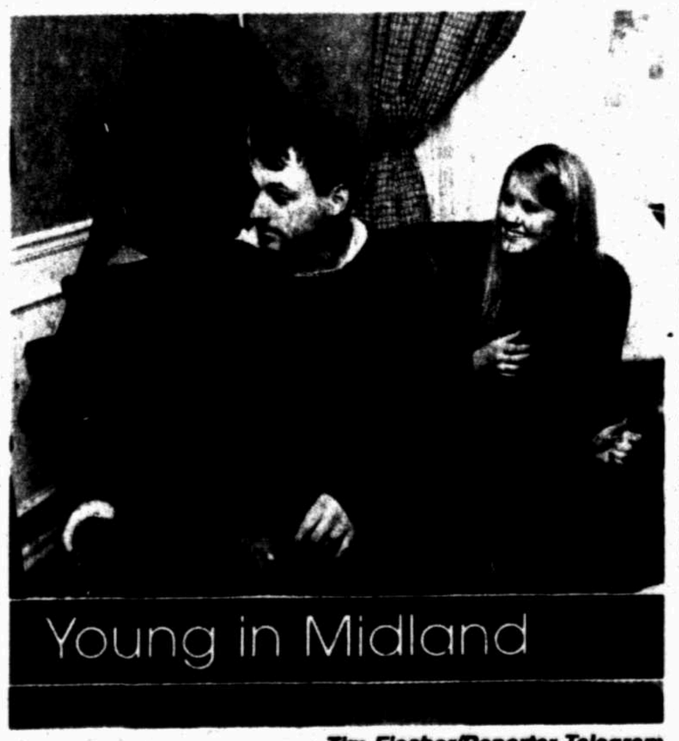


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Staff writer

Most people know the statistic that in the U.S., nearly half of all marriages end in divorce. But, about 60 percent of couples who marry between the ages of 20 and 25 end up splitting, according to the National Center for Health Statistics. Immaturity, financial instability and the lack of an appropriate problem-solving style in arguments are a few possible reasons for these statistics, said Midland marriage and family therapist James May.

"Most older couples (I have seen) who married young but stayed married readily admit the extreme challenges that they had to overcome to stay married — and most stayed married for the

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Young in Midland

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Tim and Katherine Hird play with their 1-year-old dog, Major, Saturday evening at their home. The Hirds and other Midland couples have bucked the national trend and decided to get married at a young age. Katherine Hird was 20 and Tim Hird was 23 when they married.

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Obituaries



Faye J. Harp

Faye J. Harp passed away on February 5, 2012, in Kerrville. She was born in Yale, Oklahoma, to Eugene and Katie Johnson, on February 12, 1917. After graduating from high school in St. Louis, Oklahoma, she married Ernest J. Harp, in 1936 in Wewoka, Oklahoma, where her only child, Phyllis, was born in 1937.

After her husband's death in 1960, she worked as a secretary in Odessa, Texas. She moved to Stonewall, Oklahoma, in 1977, and worked in a nursing home until her retirement in 1982. She moved to Midland, Texas, in 1994, then to Kerrville, in 2007, to be close to her daughter. Being very independent minded, she lived in her own apartment until January 27, 2012. Faye enjoyed crocheting and other crafts. She was an avid fan of the Dallas Cowboys and the San Antonio Spurs.

She was preceded in death by her mother and father, husband, and two sisters, Hazel Winton and Evelena Basinger. She is survived by her daughter and husband, Phyllis and Les Cargile of Kerrville, Texas; her sister, Eva D. Johnson of Kerrville, Texas; granddaughters, Jana L. Cargile of Atlanta, Georgia, and Susan E. Cargile of Seabrook, Texas; nephews, Wiley E. and Carol Winton and family, of Ada, Oklahoma, Joe Lee Winton and family, of Ada, Oklahoma, and John G. Basinger and family, in the Dallas area. She will be dearly missed by all.

A memorial service will be held at the Hope Lutheran Church, Midland, Texas, on Saturday, February 25, 2012, at 10:30 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to the Hope Lutheran Church, 2003 North A Street Midland, Texas 79705; or the charity of your choice.

The family invites you to send condolences at: grimesfuneralchapels.com by selecting the "Send Condolences" link.

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Grimes Funeral Chapels of Kerrville.

Sherry Key

Sherry Key, of Midland, TX, passed away on February 10, 2012, while visiting her daughter's family in California. She was born on November 5, 1938 in Lamesa, TX. Sherry was a loving Mother, Grandmother, Sister and friend. She enjoyed spending time with her family and friends, was an avid sports fan, particularly Nascar and football, and had quite a sweet tooth! For the past 15 years, she was the store manager for Vaughan Art in the Ivy Cottage. Sherry was a kind, generous, caring woman who will be missed by her family and friends. She is survived by her children: Eddie and wife Terrie Fortenberry of Decatur, TX, Denise and husband Tom Gross of Santa Rosa, California, Debbie Tilley of Denver, Colorado, sisters and brothers-in-law, Jeanine and Jay Stanfield of Midland, TX, Patsy and Dan Harp of Welch, TX; grandchildren, Justin Tyson, Jeremy Williams, Amber and Ashley Fortenberry, Katherine and Lauren Gross; great-grandson Layne West; and nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by parents Mary Ellen and Pat Fortenberry and sister Myrna Fortenberry of Welch, TX. A Memorial Celebration for family and friends will be held in Midland on February 25th from 5 to 7 PM at the home of the Stanfields. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to breast cancer research or a charity of your choice.

Death Notices

Hershel V. Stafford

Hershel V. Stafford, 81, of Midland, passed away Friday, February 17, 2012 at his residence.

Funeral services Tuesday, February 21, 2012 at 10:00AM at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel. Interment will follow at Fairview Cemetery.

Survivors: wife, Gladys Stafford of Midland; daughters, Christine (Boyd) Weaverling of Midland; Barbara (Fabian) Jurado of Midland; son, Harry (Sara) Stafford of Vernal, Utah; one grandson; three granddaughters; one sister; nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In lieu of flowers donations be made to Greenwood Baptist Church, 10908 FM 307, Midland, TX 79706, Attn: Youth Mission Trip Caleb Weaverling.

Arrangements directed by Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

James (Jim) Pritchard

James (Jim) Pritchard, 66, of Midland, passed away Friday, February 17, 2012 at Midland Memorial Hospital. Memorial services will be held on Tuesday, February 21, 2012 at 1:00PM at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel.

He is survived by his wife, Gayle Pritchard of Midland, Texas; son, Greg Peebles of Houston, Texas; two daughters, Sherry Radcliffe of Georgia; Valarie Redd of Texarkana, Texas; eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

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

Robert "Bob" Leslie Sebree

Robert "Bob" Leslie Sebree, 71, of Midland, passed away on Friday, February 17, 2012, at his residence.

He is survived by his wife, Becky Sebree; sons, Jerry Sebree and Ronnie Sebree; and daughter, Beth Sebree.

Services are under the direction of Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home.

Vicky Wilson Harter

Vicky Wilson Harter, 53, of Midland Texas passed away on Saturday February 18, 2012. Services are scheduled at 2:00pm Tuesday, February 21, 2012 at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Tim Baugh officiating. Arrangements under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Man charged with setting fire at apartment

From staff reports

A 29-year-old man was arrested early Saturday morning in connection with a fire at the Hunters Glen Apartments.

Sadat Ivan Munoz is being held on a second-degree felony charge of arson and a misdemeanor charge of public intoxication. No bond had been set as of press time Saturday night.

He was arrested shortly after 12:30 a.m. Saturday after he allegedly started a fire at the Midland apartment complex. The fire was contained to the bottom floor dining room, said Tasa Watts, Midland police's public information officer.

A flammable liquid is believed to have been used as an accelerant, said James Howard, a fire investigator with the Midland Fire Department.

Howard added that there was minor damage to one wall but that the fire did not affect any of the other units in the building.

No injuries have been reported, and the American Red Cross is assisting the apartment's two adult residents, Watts said.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Scott M. Allen, 32, of Midland, was arrested Friday by Midland County deputies on a third or more charge of driving while intoxicated.

Reginald J. Calicuitt, 37, of Lamesa, was arrested Friday by Midland County deputies on a charge of violation of parole.

Raymundo Flores Jr., 24, of Midland, was arrested Friday by Midland County deputies on a charge of burglary of a habitation.

Eduardo J. Galindo, 22, of Midland, was arrested Friday by Midland County deputies on a charge of burglary of a building.

Rakeeb I. Grimes, 22, of Midland, was arrested Friday by Midland County deputies on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.

Candice R. Martinez, 27, of Midland, was arrested Friday by Midland police on a charge of theft.

Rene F. Najera, 40, of Odessa, was arrested Friday by Texas Department of Public Safety troopers on a charge of distribution of a controlled substance.

Taurean C. Palmer, 24, of Midland, was arrested Friday by Midland County deputies on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.

Ricardo V. Reyes Jr., 36, of Midland, was arrested Friday by Midland County deputies on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.

Jarrod S. Richardson, 31, of Midland, was arrested Friday by Midland County deputies on a third or more charge of driving while intoxicated.

Irvin H. Valdez, 20, of Odessa, was arrested Friday by Midland County deputies on a charge of credit card abuse.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office



AP file photo

A North American purple martin feeds her young from the balcony of a purple martin bird house in Wichita, Kan., in 2010. Among Texas' birders, few winged creatures draw more anticipation than the arrival of purple martins, a species of swallow that winters in South America and flies into Texas in February.

Purple martins show spring is near in Texas

By Jeanne Williams
Temple Daily Telegram

GAUSE — As soon as Texas Master Naturalist Donna Lewis hears the special "dawn song," she knows the purple martins have arrived.

Lewis, 61, learned about purple martins from her mother, and today she welcomes these birds with open arms for the sake of her mom.

"She loved them and their song," Lewis said. "They gurgle. They do this little song in the morning. It's a beautiful little song, and they sing it about two hours in the morning. The rest of the day, they have another song. But the 'dawn song' is so magnificent, it makes you think spring is here, life is good and everything is great."

Among Texas' birders, few winged creatures draw more anticipation than the arrival of purple martins, a species of swallow that winters in South America and flies into Texas in February.

Purple martins are one of the best-loved birds, just like the bluebirds, Lewis said. The birds are popular because of their insect-eating capabilities, especially mosquitoes.

"They don't eat anything but bugs," Lewis said. "If you put houses in the right place, they will come."

Purple martins, the largest of the swallows in North America, have become dependent on man-made housing and faithfully return to the same locations each year. Human landlords, such as Lewis, anxiously await their return each spring.

Some of the earliest arrivals to the U.S. occur in South Texas. Dates and locations are watched by martin fanciers who report their touchdowns at www.purplemartin.org, a website maintained by the nonprofit Purple Martin Conservation Association.

Lewis, a reporter to the association, has been tracking the birds' appearances since Jan. 10, when they were seen in Pleasanton. They already are setting up housekeeping in Victoria, Austin and Houston.

"I do the martin watch, where I literally watch every five days for the six months that they are here," said Lewis, vice president of the El Camino Real Master Naturalist Chapter in Milam County. Master Naturalists are specially trained volunteers involved in wildlife activities and conservation of natural resources.

Purple martins can expect prime accommodations at the Lewis homestead in the rural area around Gause in eastern Milam County.

Three houses will have welcome mats out for the birds: conventional bird condos and a plastic gourd habitat that sits safely atop a pole and is cranked to human height so their apartments can be serviced and babies counted. Her houses can accommodate 65 purple martins comfortably and safely.

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> — DONNA LEWIS
> Texas Master Naturalist

New arrivals continue well into spring.

The first wave consists of so-called "adult" martins, or those 2 or more years old, with adult males sporting full dark-purple color. Females are a bit drab, with a gray breast. One-year-old martins, called "sub adults" arrive 10 to 12 weeks later than the older birds, into April. These younger birds are more easily attracted to new housing locations.

Purple martins feed on the wing, gobbling up insects from the air, and Lewis, along with other fanciers, fears their landing this spring could mean the prospect of starvation.

Rain, extended cold and drought will mean few insects for them to eat. She plans to provide supplemental feed, such as frozen crickets, mealy bugs and in desperate situations, scrambled eggs died dark and flung into the air to mimic insects.

A bird census involves invading the apartment through a side door and taking the baby birds out for a measurement that will determine its age and address health issues.

"If they have been infected with lice, mites, flies, fleas or blowflies, I literally pick those babies out and wipe them down with rubbing alcohol, put them in a little box, and take the whole nest out and dispose of it completely and put all new in there, and it can give them the difference between life and death," Lewis said. "These birds take a lot more work on a human if you are going to do it."

Fledglings leave the nest 28 days after hatching.

Anyone who wants to establish a home for the migrant birds can receive help from Lewis. Attracting the birds into a new domain is not easy. The birds are suspicious at first, she said.

"They are funny little birds. The slightest little thing. If I don't put those houses facing the same way, they won't go in there," Lewis said. "They are their worst enemy. We are trying to help them, but they are going 'I don't know.'"

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sake of their children," May said. "They are rare but inspirational."

I sat down with two young couples in their Midland homes to find out why they decided to take the risk.

The Hirds
Ages when married: Katherine, 20; Tim, 23.

Free food and a scheming mother brought Katherine and Tim Hird together seven years ago.

Tim, 21 at the time, had moved from Wisconsin to Midland through Worldview Academy, a ministry that hosts Christian conferences and leadership camps. It was Katherine's mom, a staff member of Stonegate Fellowship, who first met Tim and invited him to Easter dinner with friends. One of his buddies warned Tim that their hostess wanted him to meet her daughter, Katherine, who was studying at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. From then on, Katherine was returning to Midland on the weekends to see Tim.

"We dated for nine months, and that was it," she said.

They stayed engaged for a year while Tim finished paying off his school loans.

"That was stupid," Tim said.

"Too long," Katherine agreed.

The two were married in January 2009; they toasted with pink lemonade at their reception. Katherine had quit her sorority and moved back to Midland the previous December. They admit their fairy tale story may had been a bit different if they'd had the financial burden of attending college at the same time during their marriage.

"We had a lot of people supporting us," Katherine said. Tim's parents had been married before they hit their 20s, and Katherine's mother had the advantage of picking her own son-in-law. She only had one condition.

"I had to promise my parents that I would finish school — that I wouldn't drop out," Katherine said.

She graduated from Midland College as a registered nurse and is working toward her bachelor's degree from Texas Tech University.

"I took the slow, married route," she said, laughing.

The two say they don't feel like they've missed out on anything in life by saying "I do." In fact, they enjoy experiencing life with someone by their side.

"People want to find themselves, but marriage is a sacrifice," Katherine said. "You can't be selfish; you have to be giving."

The Bosworths
Ages when married: Kayla, 18; Trey, 21

"How long have you been married?"

It's a simple question, but usually one that Kayla Bosworth anticipates only will bring about more questions. The answer? Six years, replies the 24-year-old.

Kayla began attending Midland Classical Academy as a freshman after moving from Mississippi and soon after befriended Trey, who was a senior at the time.

"He was the first person who really understood me, who accepted me for who I was," Kayla said. So, they began dating.

After graduation, Trey left Midland to study petroleum engineering at the University of Texas. Kayla graduated in May 2006, and the two were married that August. Kayla moved to Austin, and after attending Austin Community College for a year, she realized that she would rather go straight into the work force as an administrative assistant than continue her studies. The two returned to Midland in 2009 after Trey's dad died, and they now have a 16-month-old son, Lucas.

Though their parents realized the two were meant to be, Trey and Kayla remember others were skeptical about their decision.

"How old are you?" people would ask after realizing she was engaged. "You don't know what you're doing."

To his college friends, Trey became an almost mythical creature who had to be pointed out at parties.

"Are you really engaged?" classmates would ask.

As some of the Bosworths' similarly aged friends are starting to have children of their own, Trey and Kayla are grateful they were able to spend more time together before having Lucas.

"We definitely know each other," Kayla said. "We had time to travel and explore, and we were able to do it together."

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Life Center's website addresses teen issues

By Meredith Moriak
Staff Writer

Teenagers are talking about sex and asking more questions than staff members at The Life Center could've ever expected. And, they're doing it all online.

On Jan. 2, The Life Center launched a site designed for 12 to 19 year olds meant to be a safe place to talk about sex and other teen issues was launched, said Development Director Matthew Davis.

The site, www.ywudi.com, is an extension of the school-based y-yud-i program presented to sixth- through 12th-grade students in Midland ISD. The program teaches sexual health and promotes sexual integrity.

The Life Center is a nonprofit, faith-based organization that promotes sexual integrity.

Through the website, students can ask questions about sex and other teen issues confidentially and receive "medically and morally true answers" from members of The Life Center's prevention department, Davis said.

So far, response has been overwhelming, and more students than expected are submitting questions, Davis said.

"Because students can submit anonymously, we're seeing a lot of questions," Davis said. "A lot of students don't have this conversation at home, and we're able to provide a safe place for them to ask questions."

Multiple questions are submitted each day ranging from sex to other issues teens deal with, Davis said.

The school-based y-wud-i program is given over a three-day period in one-hour sessions. Because presentations are so short, Davis said presenters had a hard time answering questions in a complete manner.

"We felt like this was another resource we could give our students," Davis said. "It's another opportunity for them to find out more about what we are teaching, and it also lets parents join the conversation."

By adding a question and answer section to the website, Davis said The Life Center can continue the conversation with students once the school-based presentations are finished.

In addition to a question and answer section, the site has a blog, dictionary of terms and links to other organizations that offer services for teens.

Davis said staff members spent a lot of time researching different links and resources to provide students.

"We chose those that best conveyed the message we carry to the students," Davis said.

Website development began in the summer and is something Davis said the organization fully wanted to invest in because it's a good way to connect with teenagers.

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TEXAS ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

HOUSTON

Rains cause stalled cars, outages

Heavy overnight rains moved through southeast Texas, causing power outages and stalled cars in the Houston area.

The Houston Chronicle reported that 11,000 people were without power early Saturday, but that number had been steadily reduced over several hours.

Officials in Houston said the worst of the storms had passed.

Several rural roads were reported closed in Grimes County. Rain the area by early Saturday ranged from 1.5 inches to more than 3 inches.

DALLAS

Police investigate fatal shooting

Police say two people are dead after an early morning shooting at an apartment complex in northeast Dallas.

Officers responded to the call just after 5:30 a.m. Saturday, and they found the bodies of a 32-year-old man and a 28-year-old woman inside an apartment. Police said both had been shot.

Investigators said they had little additional information and were conducting interviews and trying to find witnesses.

The names were not immediately released.

FORT HOOD

General remembered at service

About 500 people gathered at a chapel to remember the life of a brigadier general who died earlier this month in Afghanistan.

Brig. Gen. Terence Hildner apparently died of natural causes Feb. 3. The military said he was the highest ranking U.S. soldier to die in Afghanistan.

Speakers at his memorial service Saturday at Spirit of Fort Hood Chapel called him a tremendous and compassionate leader and a gentleman.

The service included a bagpipe rendition of "Amazing Grace," the firing of volleys and a lone bugler playing "Taps." The general will be buried at Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors Feb. 29.

Hildner had commanded the 13th Expeditionary Sustainment Command at Fort Hood since August 2010. He left for Afghanistan in December to support the NATO mission there.

KILLEEN

4-year-old shot to death

Police in Killeen are investigating the shooting death of a 4-year-old boy, which may have been accidental.

Authorities said in a news release that officers responded to a 911 call of a shooting at a residence just after 8:30 a.m. Saturday.

They found a 4-year-old boy who had suffered a gunshot wound to the chest, and the child was transported to the Carl R. Darnall Army Medical Center in critical condition. He died just before 9:30 a.m.

Police said they are continuing to investigate, but that they believe the shooting may have been an accident.

LAKEWAY

Construction to be halted on center

Officials in Lakeway say they will not issue a building permit for a residential treatment center, and construction must halt.

The Austin American-Statesman reported that the announcement comes after a town hall meeting on Wednesday in which 250 residents protested plans for Recovery Ways, a 24-room post-detox facility. Lakeway officials said the site development permit, which already had been issued, will be rescinded.

Recovery Ways Executive Director Maryann Rosenthal said treatment center officials hope to work with Lakeway officials to resolve any problems. Construction had already started. Mayor Dave DeOme said city officials have been trying to resolve the matter.

Recovery Ways also has a facility in Utah.

Lakeway is a town of about 12,000 people near Austin.

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congestion models and look for ways all areas, including rural areas, can move or have access to goods and services, he said.

Richard Dolgener, an Andrews County judge, agreed, noting that traffic has increased significantly in the region as oilfield activity has risen.

Others asked about education.

Midland Mayor Wes Perry asked Dewhurst about funding for Texas schools and proposals to equalize funding among the state's school districts. He said Midland is considering a $158 million school bond.

"There are those who say it's the state's problem, but it's Midland Independent School District, and there are some things we can do," he said.

Dewhurst said there are only two possibilities: either set one tax rate on a statewide basis or use the county-by-county approach. The state has tried to minimize funding imbalances by spending as much on education as possible, he said. But, the state is limited by the growth in state spending on Medicaid, which has risen from 25 percent of the state's budget to about one-third, he said.

Mark Merritt, Fasken Oil and Ranch assistant general manager, broached the subject of hydraulic fracturing, which he pointed out is the root of the other discussions.

"It's what's driving the Permian Basin, Texas and parts of the national economies," he said, noting that Fasken's production has risen 150 percent during the past three years because to its fracturing success.

"We need Texas to protect our rights and keep the Environmental Protection Agency out and from throwing the brakes on our economy," he said.

Dewhurst and Conaway both said they were ready to oppose harmful EPA regulations.

Dewhurst said the state implemented new rules on disclosing the chemicals used in hydraulic fracturing. He said currently there are other state regulations and that the Railroad Commission could penalize companies.

"All the tools are in place to take care of the problem," he said.

PBPA President Ben Shepperd said his main concern is the Endangered Species Act, particularly the possible listing of the dunes sagebrush lizard.

Conaway said only 1 percent of the listed species is removed after they are protected.

"I would think even the most ardent supporter would want to do better than that," he said. "Also, the economic impact was stripped from the analysis, and that should be put back in, along with some clarification on how far down the family tree they should go or if it should be the Endangered Subspecies Act."

Conaway said Congress had severely limited funding for the listings, and he hopes the Fish and Wildlife Service will run out of funds before getting to the lizard.

Shepperd also expressed his support for the Railroad Commission as it currently is structured, telling Dewhurst he expected the agency would again come under sunset review during the next legislative session.

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killed by gunmen while in office. Zachary Taylor died of cholera he contracted at a July 4 celebration in 1850. Lincoln was shot just five days after Robert E. Lee's surrender at the Appomattox Courthouse to a future, president Ulysses S. Grant.

Several other presidents served only one term before they were turned out to pasture. In fact, Gerald Rudolph Ford is our only president not to have been elected to the presidency or to the vice presidency and yet was the target of two assassination attempts.

James Earl (Jimmy) Carter Jr. also was a one-term president and still is vilified by many military veterans for granting pardons to conscientious objectors who had resisted the Vietnam draft. Our own George Herbert Walker Bush was a one-termer, mainly for raising taxes after promising not to.

George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush became the second father-son duo to serve as president. The other pair was John Adams and John Quincy Adams. George W. was the only president who ever owned a baseball team.

Bet you didn't know that Chester Alan Arthur is the only president to bear three first names. Theodore Roosevelt's favorite pastime was point-to-point walks in which he made himself follow a straight line to his destination, which sometime entailed swimming fully clothed in ice-choked creeks.

Andrew Jackson fought and was captured in the American Revolution at age 13. And, of course, you know that Midland served as the home of two presidents.

Monday is Presidents Day even though no presidents were born on Feb. 20. It's a fact that will make me forget my anniversary, and I doubt many of you will be off searching for presidential facts. But, enjoy your Monday — if you get the day off.

Thought for the week: "In the truest sense, freedom cannot be bestowed. It must be achieved." — Franklin D. Roosevelt.

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In your phone calls and text messages
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In your hugs and tears
In your presence at the viewing
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In your prayers and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ

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Misc.		$ 2,957.35
TOTAL		**$ 23,384.34**

(The unusually high amount for Transportation and Misc. this week partly involved expenses in getting the family of the man who had been in a motorcycle accident that we wrote about a few weeks ago back home to Florida).

One of our caseworkers met with a 55-year-old woman last week who needed assistance with an electric bill. She had been in the hospital for 18 days and had been unable to work and because she received no sick pay she was unable to pay the bill. She had been feeling ill for quite some time and so she went to a doctor. The doctor found a large mass in her abdomen and admitted her into the hospital for surgery. During the surgery her spleen, part of her liver, part of her pancreas and one kidney were removed. As she recovered from the surgery she was told (on what happened to be her 55th birthday) that she had stage 4 pancreatic cancer. She has no medical insurance and does not qualify for Social Security.

It was just under 2 years ago that she lost one of her two sons as a result of a hit-and-run car accident that occurred while he was working. Her other son, who is disabled, has moved back home with her to help take of her during the chemo and other treatments she will be undergoing. The best hope is that the chemo will extend her life, but it will probably be for only a short period of time.

She tells the caseworker that her biggest regret is that it was her son, and not she, that was taken those many months ago. He was so young. But with a wistful smile she says that she knows he will be waiting for her, and that she will see him soon. We paid her electric bill. Please pray for her.

If Perry is serious about 2016, he first must decide about 2014



JASON EMBRY
Cox Newspapers

Gov. Rick Perry tells anyone who asks that he may run for president again in 2016 if a Republican isn't already in the White House. But first, he must decide whether to run for re-election as Texas governor in 2014. If he's serious about running for president, that decision might not be as obvious as it appears.

There are plenty of reasons why Perry might not run in 2016. First, a Republican could already be in the White House at that point and setting up a re-election bid, and while Perry isn't crazy about current GOP front-runners Mitt Romney and Rick Santorum, he isn't the type of politician who would challenge a sitting president from his own party.

But let's assume that President Barack Obama wins re-election and the 2016 GOP field is wide open. That field is likely to draw some A-list candidates who took a pass on the presidential race this year.

And so it is tempting to think that Perry, facing a field that would probably be tougher than the one he lost to this year, is just saying he wants to run to keep his name in the news.

Of course, when Perry said after his 2006 re-election that he might seek a third full term as governor in 2010, many of us thought he was just trying to avoid becoming a lame duck. Then, of course, he ran. And he won.

So, if Perry really does want to run for president in 2016, should he run for re-election in 2014?

Conventional wisdom would probably say yes, in large part because it makes fundraising so much easier. The Perry presidential campaign raised $10.8 million from Texas in 2011, which was more than Perry raised in all other states combined, according to the Center for Responsive Politics.

Texas donors knew that, even if Perry didn't make it to the White House, they'd be on record supporting the man who will be governor for at least three more years. Those donors would have less incentive to help Perry if his backup plan wasn't a powerful state job. Plus, staying governor would give Perry more of a platform heading into the 2016 campaign, making it easier for him to stay in the national conversation among conservatives.

On the other hand, Perry has suggested that one of the reasons he lost this year was his late entry into the presidential race. If Perry wasn't governor, he could jump right into the presidential race in early 2015 without having to worry about manning the state legislative session in the first half of that year. Plus, being a former officeholder hasn't slowed Romney or Santorum.

And if Perry doesn't run in 2014, he can't lose in 2014. The last gubernatorial election showed that Perry is pretty tough to beat in a Republican primary. But recent polls also show that the presidential campaign weakened his support in Texas, and Perry might not want to risk a serious challenge in the Republican primary.

While it's difficult to imagine that Democrats could compete seriously for the Governor's Mansion in 2014, who knows how the landscape will look in almost three years?

In the years leading up to the 2012 campaign, Perry insisted time and again that he would not run for president. Then he ran. So maybe all we can conclude is that, whatever Perry says about his future now, he won't be afraid to change his mind.

Perry wants to funnel unspent funds into new PAC

By Samantha Wagner
Hearst Newspapers

WASHINGTON — As if the line between campaigns and super PACs wasn't blurry enough, Rick Perry's campaign could blur it even further.

The Texas governor's presidential campaign committee has asked the Federal Election Commission for permission to funnel unspent funds from his short-lived presidential campaign into a new political action committee.

The leftover funds, along with money donated specifically for a possible general election race against President Obama, would be used to "promote his vision" of states' rights and family values, Perry spokeswoman Catherine Frazier said.

"The governor's putting a request in to see if there's a way that funds from the campaign can still be put to use for the goals of promoting his conservative values," she said.

Perry critics suggested other uses for any leftover campaign cash.

"He ought to first repay Texas taxpayers for the $2.7 million we paid for his security detail during his failed presidential campaign," said Craig McDonald, director of Texans for Public Justice. "That should be his first priority."

Federal election law limits individual donations to $2,500 for a presidential primary campaign and another $2,500 for the general election. During his campaign, Perry sought and received $5,000 contributions from hundreds of donors. In the past, defeated presidential candidates have refunded contributions earmarked for the general election.

Perry's campaign, in a letter submitted to the FEC by treasurer Salvatore Purpura, asks the election watchdogs whether the governor can transfer general election contributions to a new Perry-controlled PAC — if he receives permission from the donors. At stake is up to $170,000 in general election donations that contributors have not yet requested to be refunded.

The Perry campaign committee also asks that "residual" funds remaining in the presidential account — money not yet spent by the campaign — be eligible for transfer to a new Perry PAC. While the letter specifically did not state the amount, the most recent campaign disclosure reports indicate the committee had $3,761,885.54 cash on hand as of Dec. 31, 2011.

For Perry, transferring the money to a federal PAC could allow him to use the past donations in ways forbidden for presidential candidates. Under federal election law, former candidates have a limited number of options for disposing of excess funds and are not permitted to convert federal campaign contributions to personal use or to benefit themselves or their families.

But, multi-candidate PACs and Super PACs of the kind Perry is considering are not explicitly barred from personal use of campaign funds. The FEC has recommended to Congress that it ban personal use of PAC funds, but lawmakers have not acted on the request.

While the allowable uses of PAC money remain murky, experts say there is little doubt Perry will be permitted to transfer money to the new committee. Former FEC Commissioner Hans von Spakovsky, now a senior legal fellow at the Heritage Foundation, said campaign committees have transitioned to PACs before, including Friends of Albert Gore Jr., which became the multi-candidate committee Leadership '02.

"There's nothing unusual about that at all — lots of candidates do that if and when they're unsuccessful with whatever office they're running for," von Spakovsky said.

Man sentenced to life in killing of doctor

Houston Chronicle

Nearly 2 1/2 years after a prominent Houston physician was gunned down at his Bellville ranch, a Sharpstown-area man has been sentenced to life in prison without parole.

Cristobal Galvan Cerna, who was tried for capital murder in the death of Dr. Jorge Mario Gonzalez, was sentenced last week in an Austin County courtroom, according to the Sealy News.

Dr. Jorge Mario Gonzalez was gunned down in August 2009 at his Bellville ranch.

Also awaiting trial on capital murder charges in the case are Galvan Cerna's brothers, Noel and Moises Galvan Cerna, and a cousin, Misael Santollo, the Sealy News reported.

Cristobal Galvan Cerna was sentenced to life in prison in the death of Dr. Jorge Mario Gonzalez

Galvan Cerna admitted in 2009 that he was part of a conspiracy that included robbery, kidnapping and aggravated assault.

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FORT STOCKTON

Brewster GCD joins county in fight

Chachi Hawkins, the chairwoman of the Brewster County Groundwater Conservation District, believes in the fight against Fort Stockton Holdings.

However, the Brewster County district no longer has the financial resources to be a part of Fort Stockton Holdings v. Middle Pecos Groundwater Conservation District..

"We believe in what the Middle Pecos is doing," Hawkins told the Pecos County Commissioners Court at its regular meeting Monday. "We just can't afford it."

Hawkins said Brewster County GCD spent nearly $30,000 in legal expenses in 2011 in fighting Fort Stockton Holdings' application for a permit to produce and transport about 47,000 acre-feet per year from about 18,000 acres it controls in the Leon-Belding area.

For more information, visit www.fortstocktonpioneer.com.

ALPINE

Cowboy Poetry Gathering to open Friday

The 26th annual Texas Cowboy Poetry Gathering opens at 10 a.m. Friday in Marshall Auditorium on the Sul Ross State University campus.

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The shows at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday will feature headliners Jerry Brooks, Craig Carter, Doris Daley, the Gillette Brothers, Don Hedgpeth, Randy and Hannah Huston, Chris Isaacs, Ross Knox, Jack Sammon and Jim Wilson.

Tickets are $12.50 per adult and $6 for children.

For more information, visit www.alpineavalanche.com.

LAJITAS

Lajitas Resort under new management

Lajitas Golf Resort & Spa, the 27,000-acre resort nestled in the desert near Big Bend National Park and Big Bend Ranch State Park, has a new management team.

Meadowbrook Golf Group — which manages such courses as ChampionsGate Golf Resort in Orlando, Fla., and the Links at Brigantine Beach, N.J. — is assuming management responsibilities at Lajitas.

Meadowbrook's Medallion Division officially took over all resort management responsibilities at Lajitas on Feb. 1.

The new Meadowbrook management team is tending to the 18-hole championship Black Jack's Crossing Golf Course and revamping the food and beverage department to provide a higher level of service and quality of product, said John Finley, general manager.

For more information, visit www.alpineavalanche.com.

BIG SPRING

Man charged in assault

A Big Spring man was arrested Wednesday on a charge of aggravated sexual assault of a child after law enforcement officials allege he assaulted a 2-year-old.

Larry Wayne Nicholson, 30, was questioned at the Big Spring Police Department regarding the complaint and then was booked into Howard County Detention Center, said Sgt. Tony Everett, BSPD public information officer.

Man pleads guilty in child porn case

A 36-year-old Coahoma man pleaded guilty Tuesday to one count of transportation of child pornography in Abilene federal court. He will be sentenced at a later date.

Kerry Wayne Feaster — who lived in the 400 block of College Street in Coahoma at the time of his arrest in September — faces a statutory sentence of between five and 20 years in federal prison, a $250,000 fine and up to a lifetime of supervised release, said officials with the U.S. Attorney's Office Northern District of Texas.

For more information, visit www.bigspringherald.com.

New Texas abortion law sparks anger, resignation

Associated Press

DALLAS — Some pregnant women avert their eyes. Others shed tears or simply tune out the abortion doctors as they describe the fetus and offer them a chance to hear the heartbeat and view the image.

These are the varied reactions seen in clinics across Texas since the state recently began enforcing perhaps the most stringent abortion law in the country. Among other things, the law requires that women seeking abortions hear their doctors describe the fetus' development during a sonogram and then wait 24 hours before undergoing the procedure.

The law has sparked a wave of litigation amid a debate on whether the state is infringing on doctors' rights and making an already stressful decision more traumatic for pregnant women.

"It's condescending," said Dr. Curtis Boyd, medical director and owner of Southwestern Women's Surgery Center in Dallas.

"Before this law was even conceived, women were giving thoughtful consideration to whether they should go through with an unplanned pregnancy."

One 19-year-old woman sitting in Boyd's office on a recent afternoon accepted an offer to hear the heartbeat and see an image of the fetus as the doctor described the developing spine. But for her, there was no turning back: With two children already, she said abortion was her best choice.

Another woman waiting for a sonogram in the same clinic didn't express anger or resentment but acknowledged the pregnancy would soon "become a lot more real."

The portion of the law requiring the sonogram and a 24-hour wait went into effect in the fall, but the remaining requirements — describing the fetus and offering patients to see an image and hear the heartbeat — were tied up in litigation until an appeals court ruled last month they could be enforced.

Supporters say the requirements ensure women are making an informed decision before undergoing an abortion, and they predict abortion numbers will drop as a result. Already the state has seen a dramatic decrease over the years: The health department tallied about 75,000 abortions in its latest data from 2010, far fewer than the 92,681 performed in 1990.

"It is something that cannot be taken back, reversed," said Joe Pojman, executive director of Texas Alliance for Life, which supported the new law. He cited testimony last year as the Legislature debated the requirements from women who said they were denied the opportunity to see their sonogram when seeking an abortion.

Clinic administrators say they have seen no difference in the number of women who return after the mandated 24-hour waiting period. They say most of the women show little reaction to the actual sonogram and doctor's description but are upset at having to make multiple appointments.

"We're the first people that educate them about it, and so they get really mad at the provider," said Amy Hagstrom Miller, president and chief executive of Whole Woman's Health, which has five clinics across Texas.

"I think women get to this point where it's like, 'What do I need to watch, what do I need to sign, what do I have to say to sign?' Just let me have my procedure.'"

Oklahoma and North Carolina have similar abortion laws, but courts in both states are blocking them.

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Ex-Dallas mayor touts experience, but record mixed

By R.G. Ratcliffe
Cox Newspapers



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Senate candidate Tom Leppert talks with Iris Englet on Jan. 11 at the Midland County Republican Women's luncheon.

AUSTIN — Former Dallas Mayor Tom Leppert is running for the Republican U.S. Senate nomination on a simple message: Lawyers and career politicians don't know how to create jobs; Leppert, as a proven businessman, does.

He is perhaps best known for his four years as Dallas mayor, but Leppert, who has a Harvard MBA, has been in business for three decades — and his record in that realm is more mixed than he would like voters to believe.

As chief executive officer of Turner Construction, he led the company into one of the most profitable periods in its history, creating jobs across the nation in the building trades.

But, he also was a member of the board of directors of Washington Mutual, a bank that was a major player in the subprime mortgage mess that crippled the nation's economy. Washington Mutual, during Leppert's tenure on its board and its audit committee, became the largest bank failure in U.S. history and was directly responsible for the loss of tens of thousands of jobs around the country.

Leppert blames the Washington Mutual failure on a drop in housing prices that was worse than anyone expected and on federal regulators taking over the bank when it was still solvent.

One of the big questions for Leppert's campaign will be whether he can square this contradictory business record with what he tells voters is the core reason that he is the best candidate to replace retiring Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas.

"I'm not a lawyer or a career politician. I'm the only proven job creator in this race," Leppert says in a recent campaign video. "I've created thousands of jobs, and I can help businesses do it again because creating jobs is my job."

In the video, Leppert walks through an empty warehouse. There's no coat and tie, and the sleeves of his blue button-down shirt are rolled up. Leppert looks at the camera and says President Barack Obama is "trying to fix things with another speech" and asserts that voters cannot expect better from his opponents.

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Though wealthy now, Leppert said in an interview, he understands the need for jobs and economic growth because he was raised in a single-parent family in a blue-collar section of Phoenix. His father died when Leppert was young, and his mother raised him on a secretary's salary. Leppert got through on loans at Claremont McKenna College in California, and that education opened the door for an MBA at the Harvard Business School.

His federal personal financial disclosure statements show Leppert now has assets valued between $12.2 million and $54.6 million — mostly in mutual funds and private investment banks.

Leppert worked over the years at management consulting firm McKinsey & Co., at real estate development and investment companies Trammell Crow Co. and Castle & Cooke Properties Inc., and at Bank of Hawaii.

His biggest success came while he was serving on the board of directors of Turner Construction Co., which became a subsidiary of the German company Hochtief AG.

Leppert's fellow board members asked him to take over in 1999 as chief executive officer of Turner.

Fellow Turner board member John Whitney, a professor emeritus at Columbia Business School, said board members chose Leppert because they trusted him and believed in his business skills. Whitney said the previous CEO often presented the board with positive results until they got a "December surprise" every year that income was not meeting projections.

"I never met anybody as brilliant as Tom who also had such an incredible ethical approach," Whitney said. "He never tried to sweep anything under the rug."

Uwe Krueger, an executive who was in charge of the merger of Hochtief and Turner, said Leppert was innovative and inspired young leaders in the firm to grow. Krueger said in an email that Leppert was trusted by the people who worked for him.

"One of Mr. Leppert's most impressive characteristics is that he gets things done," said Krueger, now CEO of Atkins, an engineering design firm based in London. "He excels in the CEO skills of analyzing a broad issue, focusing on what's really important, breaking it down to manageable pieces and getting the right people on the team and finally solving the problem."

Leppert likes to note that during his tenure at the helm of Turner — September 1999 to December 2006 — the company's earnings were higher than at any time in its 97-year history. Annual revenue grew from $4 billion to $8.5 billion.

The economy was generally robust during that time, although there was a downturn in 2001 because of the dot-com bust and the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Executives said the company had been focused on skyscrapers, but that sector was slowing down when Leppert took over, and he led the company in new directions.

Leppert said he also restructured the company's operations. Instead of basing construction divisions on geography, he based them on the type of project: one division built hospitals; another, airports; another, sports stadiums. He said he used economies of scale to save the company money by making material and equipment purchases nationally.

During Leppert's tenure with the company, Turner had more than 1,300 projects ranging from Methodist Hospital in Houston and the Seattle Seahawks Stadium to the Abu Dhabi Commercial Bank in the United Arab Emirates and Johnnycake Elementary School in Lewis Center, Ohio.

Although Turner Construction has its headquarters in New York, the board allowed Leppert to establish his holding company headquarters in Dallas. Leppert said he and his wife were living in Hawaii at the time and did not want to raise their two children in New York; Dallas offered a central location for traveling around the country.

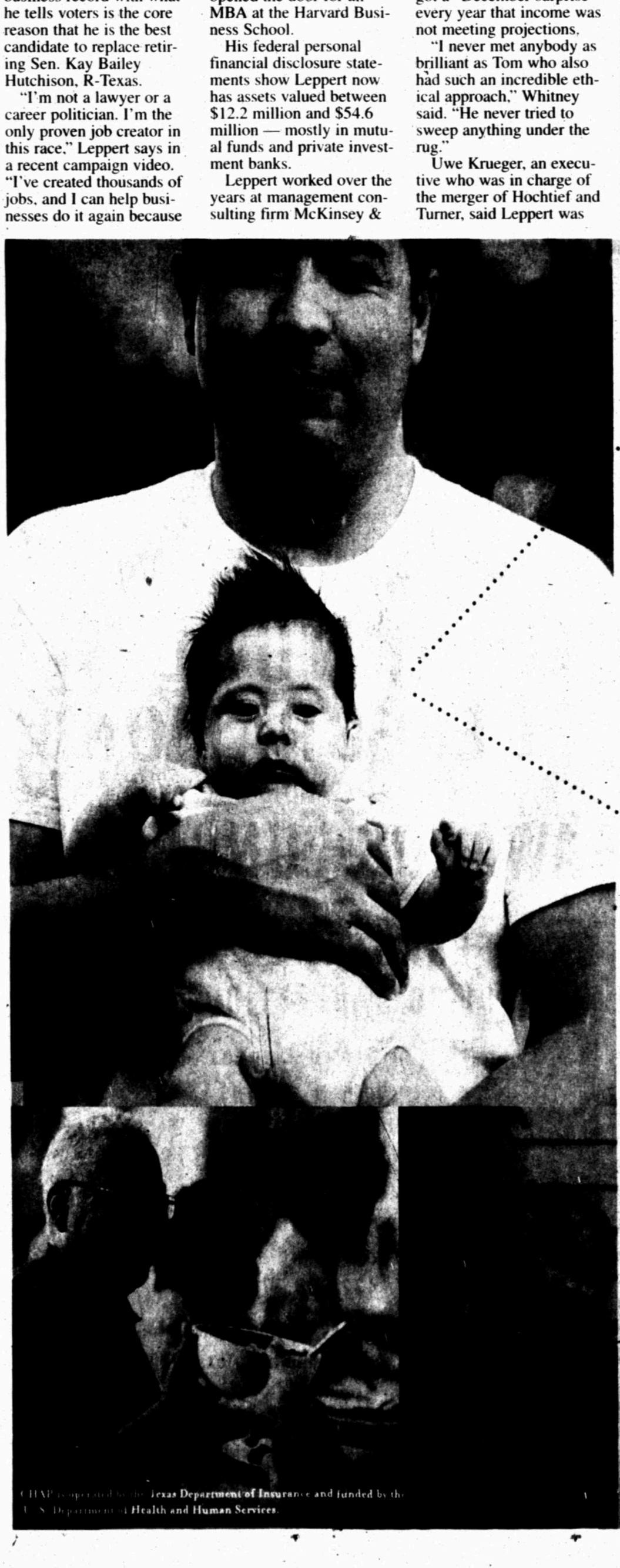
While working for Turner, Leppert was recruited and elected in 2005 to serve on Washington Mutual's board of directors.

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NEW MEXICO

GOP Clovis state senator announces retirement

ALBUQUERQUE — New Mexico State Sen. Clint Harden announced Saturday that he will retire from the Legislature at the end of his term.

The Clovis Republican said in a statement that he would step down after 18 years of public service. He said he decided to announce his retirement earlier than expected after supporters and his constituents asked about his re-election plans.

Harden represents District 7, an area in eastern New Mexico that includes Quay, Harding, Union and Colfax counties. Angie Spears, a Republican who has announced that she was running for his seat, called Harden "a true public servant who gave his all for the people of New Mexico."

Harden has been in the state Senate since 2002, and last was elected in 2008. He served as the secretary of the state labor department under a fellow Republican, then-Gov. Gary Johnson.

NEW MEXICO

Mesilla Valley shelter trying to place puppies

LAS CRUCES — Officials at the Mesilla Valley Animal Services Center say they are struggling with an unusually high number of puppies.

The shelter said it has more than 40 puppies, ranging in age from day-old newborns to 12 weeks. Population Supervisor Curtis Herring said some were brought in with their mothers as strays, while others were motherless — surrendered by their owners.

NEW MEXICO

Officials: Waste site took in asbestos

ALBUQUERQUE — Albuquerque sanitation officials say a city garbage collection center inadvertently accepted materials containing asbestos in violation of department policy.

KRQE reported Saturday that a worker at the Eagle Rock Convenience Center saw colleagues accepting residential waste laden with the hazardous material and reported it to managers, who ignored his claims.

The worker took his allegations to the Office of the Inspector General, which confirmed the claim after an investigation.

Acting City Solid Waste Director Jill Holbert said the agency overlooked the possibility that residential waste could be contaminated. She says the main source of the asbestos appeared to be tiles from homes.

The inspector general found the site had no procedures to screen for hazardous materials.

Holbert said workers have since been trained to identify and screen for asbestos.

NEW MEXICO

Lawsuit on weapons buy reporting rule to stay in state

ALBUQUERQUE — A federal judge says a lawsuit challenging reporting requirements imposed on Southwest gun dealers by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives will stay in New Mexico.

U.S. District Judge John Edwards Conway on Friday denied a bid by the ATF to move the lawsuit to a court in Washington, D.C.

The Albuquerque Journal reported that Ron Peterson Firearms, of Albuquerque, filed a challenge to a new federal rule issued in July.

The rule requires dealers to report sales of two or more semi-automatic rifles to a single buyer.

ARIZONA

Groups appeal renewal of coal mining permit

KAYENTA — A group of environmentalists is challenging the federal government's renewal of an operating permit for a northern Arizona coal mine.

The Office of Surface Mining approved a five-year permit for Peabody Energy's Kayenta Mine last month. The coal is mined from the Navajo and Hopi reservations and feeds the Navajo Generating Station near Page.

The group — which includes the Sierra Club, the Black Mesa Water Coalition and the Center for Biological Diversity — filed an administrative appeal this week. It argues that the federal government failed to consider how Peabody's use of a local aquifer has impacted water levels and water quality.

An environmental assessment found no significant impact.

The appeal also argues noncompliance with environmental laws and questions why Navajo families must relocate so that Peabody can expand operations.

NEW MEXICO

City might ban touching by strippers

ALBUQUERQUE — Strip club owners in Albuquerque would have to be licensed and their performers could no longer touch their customers under a proposal being drafted by several city council members.

Councilors Dan Lewis, Debbie O'Malley and Isaac Benton plan to present the bill next week.

If it passes, it would also ban VIP rooms at the strip clubs and they would be required to post signs with a phone number for a human trafficking hotline.

Lewis told KOB-TV in Albuquerque that the bill could help curb prostitution and human trafficking. He said outlawing strip clubs in the city isn't possible, but tougher regulations would protect children.

Several strip clubs contacted by the station declined to comment.

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SCHOOL COUNSELING STAFF MEETS S NEEDS



Sherri Heiting, Greathouse Elementary School counselor, uses fictional characters to illustrate behavioral lessons.

School professionals are responsible for not only teaching students, but for looking out for their well-being. MISD observed National School Counseling Week the week of February 6. The MISD school counseling staff is invaluable. They help keep schools safe and positive, as well as provide support for the administrative operations of campuses and the district.

Ron Moss, MISD Director of Student Development, said, "The counselor on the campus has one goal, to help and encourage students and staff to achieve success. They are an integral part of the entire educational program."

MISD has 22 secondary school counselors, 24 elementary school counselors, four collegiate coaches, one College Connection advisor and five Communities In Schools counselors.

The duties of counselors include coordinating schedules and graduation plans, assisting students in distress, coordinating services for students and families, planning special events, rewarding positive behavior and addressing poor behavior, creating educational opportunities for students, and more. MISD counselors have a master's degree in educational counseling.

"They have received training in critical incident and stress management in order to assist students and staff when any crisis situation occurs," Moss said. "They have expertise in conducting group counseling sessions, as well as with individual counseling. Our counselors are well-prepared, and most importantly, committed to doing all that they can to help students succeed in school and in life."

For school counselors like Greathouse counselor Sherri Heiting, the care she has for students is what makes the position much more than just a job.

"I feel like I'm a second mother," she said of the approximately 725 students at Greathouse. "I'm afforded the ability, the time with the students, whereas in a classroom, you can't stop everything."

Heiting calls herself a jack of all trades. She handles student issues, office referrals, programs, and helps with family needs. The elementary school setting gives her a unique opportunity to impact the lives of students, she said.

"I feel like I'm an integral part of their daily lives," she said. "From Pre-kindergarten through sixth grade, I have a large window of time to have an influence. I feel like I could truly change the direction of a family."

Patrice Compton, Parker Elementary School counselor, said the work of a counseior is helping equip students to be successful. She coordinates a mentoring program, holds character luncheons, organizes academic pep rallies, works with the PTA, organizes service projects, and much more. She helps make sure students are on the right track, both academically and emotionally.

"On a daily basis I see kids who need encouragement for various reasons. Anxiety, low self-esteem, persistent misbehavior, grief, anger, social skills deficits and motivation are a few of the topics on my monthly counseling log," Compton said. "Every child wants to be successful, but those with little or no emotional support and security, or those who have learning disabilities, have a difficult time achieving their academic goals. I try to meet the needs of my students in multiple ways. I feel that the most important aspect of my job is supporting the students in their desire for success."

Secondary school counselors perform many administrative tasks, but they know that students' emotional health is of high importance.

"If their heart's not in it, their heads won't be in it," Jill Spannaus, the seventh-grade counselor at San Jacinto Junior High School, summarized.

When students come to counselors with personal, peer or family difficulties, the counselors' responses are unique to each situation. At times, students simply need someone to hear their stories, other times, peer mediation or parent involvement is required. Spannaus said students have found solace through having an adult confidant, and through simple tactics such as journaling.

Kristen Brady, the eighth-grade counselor at S.J., said she and Spannaus seek to develop relationships with students early in the year.

"We introduce ourselves and each other, so kids know our faces," she said. "We're here to help."

Duties during the school year include coordinating schedules, special testing, arranging programs including Student of the Month and DFYIT (Drug Free Youth In Town), and coordinating awards for students based on the honor roll and perfect attendance. None of the duties are more important than taking care of students, however.

"Kids come first," Brady said. "A lot of things we put on the backburner if necessary."

Students value the assistance they receive in the counseling office.

"Kids come in all the time with issues going on, and we provide support at school," Brady said. "We try to teach them how to cope."

Counselors help students and families with whatever needs they may have.

"I highlight things specific to their needs. We've got resources available," Brady said. "I want them to know there's always help and they're not alone."

Heiting also said she wants families to know that counselors can connect them with important resources. She has helped families find housing, work, medical necessities and other resources.

"There are just so many things out there," she said. "If they trust to ask us, we're going to do what's right for them."

Compton said, "Families should know that, no matter how big my list of duties is, the bottom line is that I do this job because of the children, my care and concern for them, and my desire to see them be whole, happy and educated adults one day. I don't solve their problems or tell them what I think they should do, but what I try to do is help them see a way to do it themselves and support them through it— that's what will strengthen them the most in achieving success."

Spannaus stressed that counselors work together as a team.

"If a parent calls his child's counselor, and for any reason doesn't feel like the need was met, he can call another counselor. We never want parents to feel like we're not available," she said.

Ultimately, counselors try to resolve issues so students can return to the learning environment of school, Spannaus said.

"We take care of business. We want them to be in the classroom," she said.

All of the counselors describe their jobs as rewarding.

"You really grow attached, and you love the family and the kids, and you want what's best for everybody," Heiting said.

Compton said, "I love my job. Some days are heartbreaking, but I'll take them just for a chance at the little triumphs. I love that the kids know that I am the 'go-to' person when they need a hug, a smile, or a kind word."

From Ron Moss, MISD Director of Student Development:

"The role of a school counselor is to prepare students to be successful in life, to support staff, and to partner with parents and the community so that students can achieve that goal. Counselors provide students with academic support, leadership development, service learning opportunities, support groups, career education, character education, team-building activities, goal-setting, coping strategies, study skills, substance abuse education, peer relationships, academic planning and transition planning. Counselors conduct individual counseling as well as group counseling sessions to ensure students have the opportunity to have emotional needs met. These sessions include, but are not limited to, grief and loss, self-esteem, decision-making, relationship issues, and dealing with crisis situations. The counselor will help the student work through the issues at hand, and when necessary, refer students to other agencies to ensure students' emotional well-being. Counselors work with community organizations to find clothing, food and shelter for students.

Each counselor is responsible for monitoring more than 400 to 600 students each, depending on the campus. Along with everything they do, our secondary counselors are responsible to make sure that each student is taking courses along their graduation plan/track. They are responsible for transcript information, letters of recommendation, and other duties related to students' preparation to enter college. They keep up with accountability tests, course tests, and conference with students who are facing academic challenges. All of this is done with a high degree of proficiency and professionalism.

Counselors serve as a constant light and anchor for students as they travel the path of life. Counselors spend time getting to truly know the students they serve. They are engaged in a noble endeavor. They impact our students today, as well as touch the future for generations to come."

MISD Early Childhood Program To Accept Applications

MISD Early Childhood Program applications are available for the 2012-2013 school year beginning Thursday, March 1, at West Early Childhood Center, 2101 W. Missouri Ave. Appointments for entry will take place April 9 through April 13. The program is for children who will turn 4 years of age on or before September 1, 2012. Low-income families, children with limited-English proficiency, and families with children who have disabilities are encouraged to apply. Call 689-1580, or visit www.midlandisd.net for further information.

In Midland ISD:

February 20: Student Holiday, Staff Development

March 5: School Board Meeting

March 12-16: Spring Break

March 19: Classes Resume

Magnet Program MISD

MAGNET SCHOOL INFORMATION

Midland ISD offers magnet school programs which add enriched course offerings to the traditional elementary school curriculum. The MISD magnet programs are located at three elementary school campuses: James Bowie Fine Arts Academy, Elisha M. Pease Communication & Technology Academy and the Booker T. Washington Math & Science Institute. *Applications are available at magnet campuses, at the MISD Office of Student Services, 615 W. Missouri Ave., and online at www.midlandisd.net.*

James Bowie Fine Arts Academy, 805 Elk Ave., 689-1400
Bowie's magnet focus is fine arts and performing arts. Students' art experiences include piano, choir, fine arts, theatre arts, and dance. Instruction in stringed instruments and participation in band begins in grade 4.

Elisha M. Pease Communication & Technology Academy, 1700 E. Magnolia Ave., 689-1480
Pease provides students opportunities to expand knowledge and increase skills using current computer technology via an interactive approach. Also, all students receive instruction in Spanish weekly. Bilingual education is offered in grades kindergarten through 5.

Booker T. Washington Math & Science Institute, 1800 E. Wall St., 689-1570
WMSI integrates hands-on, inquiry-based mathematics and science instruction throughout the curricula. All students explore, investigate, and experiment in labs and in the Outdoor Learning Center. Bilingual education is offered in second grade.

APPLICATION TIMELINE FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR

Tuesday, February 21: Magnet school applications available
Friday, March 30: Deadline for parents to submit applications
Wednesday, April 11: Magnet lottery selection will be conducted in the MISD Board Room
Friday, May 4: Notices will be sent to parents of all applicants regarding lottery results
Monday, May 14: Deadline for parents to accept or decline offers of admission

MAGNET SCHOOLS OPEN HOUSES/ INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS

Thursday, February 23:
Pease: *9 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.*
Washington: *10 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.*
Bowie: *11 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.*

Wednesday, February 29:
Bowie: *noon – 12:45 p.m.*
Washington: *1 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.*
Pease: *2 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.*

Monday, March 5:
Bowie: *5 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.*
Washington: *6 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.*
Pease: *7 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.*

For more information, visit www.midlandisd.net, or call the MISD Office of Student Services at 689-1049.

MMA

World Champion and newly hired Rhino BJJ Mixed Martial Arts instructor Bruno Bastos wants to grow the sport in West Texas. See story on Page 6C.

Lady Chaps finish tourney unbeaten



Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

Midland College's Kristine Vargas (18) throws a pitch Saturday during the Lady Chaparrals' game against Universidad Autonoma de Chihuahua at Freddie Ezell Softball Complex.

By Jonathan Hull
Sports Writer

The Midland College softball team rounded out a strong showing at the Midland College Spring Classic this weekend with three wins Saturday, giving the Lady Chaparrals a perfect 6-0 record in its host tournament

But if any particular win stood out to MC coach Tommy Ramos it was the first victory on Saturday.

The Lady Chaps (12-1) opened Saturday's play with a 10-6 victory against Blinn College. Blinn College is currently ranked fourth in the nation, proving to Ramos his team can hang with some elite competition.

"I thought we got better every game," Ramos said. "We were focused on being consistent with our play and energy and it got better with each game. It definitely showed in our first game (Saturday).

"I thought the game against Blinn this morning went very well. That's the No. 4 team in the country and they have a lot of talent up and down the lineup. I thought our effort and intensity was consistent. When they made a run, we

Please see **LADY CHAPS**/4C



Claire Heck/Special to the MRT

Trinity's Thomas Schorr goes up for a layup on Saturday in the TCAF state championship game at Southwestern Assemblies of God University in Waxahachie.

Chargers win state championship

From staff reports

WAXAHACHIE — Trinity ended its magical first season under Charles Tatum in fitting fashion, defeating the team that swept it last season for a third time this year in a 58-38 win against district foe El Paso Immanuel to win the TCAF state championship Saturday at Southwestern Assemblies of God University.

Trinity (23-6) won by an average of 18 points in its three wins against Immanuel this season, with this one emulating its Jan. 21 win against the Warriors, when it also won by 20 and never trailed.

Chargers	**58**
Warriors	38

For Tatum, it was just as special to be a part of such a big turnaround — Trinity won just seven games last season — in his first year at the helm.

"You can't put into words, from a coaching standpoint, how it feels to do something like this in your first year — do it your way," Tatum said. "We played our brand of basketball."

Much like its district-opening win against Immanuel, Trinity jumped on the Warriors early, starting the game on a 12-0 run en route to a 17-9 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Immanuel standout post Phillip Wickenheiser, in particular, got caught up in Trinity's whirlwind start, scoring just nine

Please see **CHARGERS**/2C

Scoring drought



Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Haley Smith, right, tries to pass the ball as San Angelo Central's Jasmine Ortiz (22) attempts the steal Saturday during their game at Grande Communications Stadium.

Problems on offense continue to hamper Lady Rebels

By Len Hayward
Sports Editor

Lady Bobcats	**3**
Lady Rebels	0

The lack of scoring punch has become a recurring theme for the Lee girls soccer team, and Saturday afternoon the Lady Rebels were shut out once again and moved into a deeper hole in the standings.

San Angelo Central's Lauren Bateman scored two goals to lead the Lady Bobcats to a 3-0 victory against Lee on Saturday afternoon at Grande Communications Stadium.

It was the fourth shutout in five District 3-5A games for the Lady Rebels and with one game remaining in the first half of the 3-5A slate, Lee (9-7-0, 1-4-0-0, 3 points in 3-5A) is mired in sixth place.

"I don't know what it is, maybe when the boys coaches figure it out they'll share it with me," Lee coach Brian Pollard said. "We are just struggling ... struggling to find our rhythm and struggling to find someone to finish a shot."

Bateman scored a goal in the first half, and then gave the Lady Bobcats a 2-0 lead in the 65th minute on a 20-yard blast.

Bateman's first goal early in the first half set the tone for the rest of the game as Lee was forced to play catch-up, but Central's backline was up to the task of slowing down Lee's attack.

The Lady Rebels had at least a trio of solid chances, including one in the 44th minute when a Kendeal Stark shot was stopped. But it was evident that Central's speed was something that Lee had trouble figuring out as the Lady Rebels struggled to find space in Central's end.

"(Speed) is something you can't coach ... you put them in position where you need to have speed," Central coach Ben Henry said. "Sometimes coaches don't have that ability."

Please see **LADY REBELS**/5C



Claire Heck/Special to the MRT

Trinity's Macy Essman (2) tries to shoot over two Westlake Academy defenders on Saturday during the TCAF state finals at Southwestern Assmeblies of God University in Waxahachie.

Lady Chargers fall in TCAF state title game

From staff reports

WAXAHACHIE — Trinity's bid for a second-straight TCAF state championship fell just short as the Lady Chargers were clinging to a four-point lead to start the fourth quarter but weren't able to hold on in a 32-30 loss to Westlake Academy at Southwestern Assemblies of God University.

"We got the shots that we wanted ... They just didn't fall for us today," Trinity coach Eric Simonds said. "We had many threes go in and out ... In a game like this that made a huge difference."

Lady Blacksmiths	**32**
Lady Chargers	30

Trinity jumped out to a commanding 12-3 lead by the end of the first quarter to grab control of the game thanks to superb play on offense and defense.

"We had a couple of shots go in, we caused a couple of turnovers, and then Westlake kind of settled down and went on

Please see **LADY CHARGERS**/2C

Rebels drop third game in a row, 2nd in regulation

By Len Hayward
Sports Editor

Bobcats	**4**
Rebels	2

The Lee boys soccer team's promising district start has turned into a three-game slide that has left them scratching their heads.

The Rebels failed to win for the third straight game, and in the process have lost two of the last three games in regulation. On Saturday against San Angelo Central, forward Anthony Graham recorded his first high school hat trick to spark a 4-2 victory for the Bobcats at Grande Communications Stadium.

The Rebels (3-8-2 overall, 2-2-0-1 in District 3-5A, 7 points) are certainly not out of the race for one of the four playoff spots, but in just over two weeks they have fallen from second into a tie for third and are in a cluster of four teams separated by two points in the 3-5A table.

"We have to eliminate the little mistakes, and start playing as a team and stop pointing fingers," said senior defender Dustin Beal. "We are not (pointing fingers) a whole lot, but it's just the little things we have to fix."

For the third straight game, the Rebels jumped out to an early lead when Kaegan Davis scored after a beautiful feed in the middle of the box from

Please see **REBELS**/4C



Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Dustin Beal (18) tries to keep the ball away from San Angelo Central's Dan Nguyen (11) Saturday during their game at Grande Communications Stadium.

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Sunday Morning Line



LEN HAYWARD
Sports Editor

This and that as the sounds of balls, bats and gloves are starting to be heard in Florida and Arizona:

The next week will probably be one of the toughest tests of Midland College men's basketball coach Chris Craig's career after last Thursday's fight at Howard College.

Because of the NJCAA rule that requires a two-game suspension if a player leaves the designated bench area during an altercation, the Chaparrals have been left without enough players for their next two games.

It's been a tough season all the way around for the Chaps, and this only adds to it. Midland College has struggled to find consistency and stay in the hunt for a regional tournament berth, and now because of the forfeits that berth likely won't happen.

But these are the times that test a coach and the program he heads up, and I'm pretty sure that Craig will meet this challenge head on.

■ Word coming out of Amarillo that the Amarillo ISD is appealing the University Interscholastic League's new District 2-5A and trying to get Tascosa into District 3-4A is not necessarily a shocker.

I can imagine Amarillo ISD officials are getting hammered by parents at Tascosa about the travel that awaits their teams the next two years.

Frankly, they don't have a snowball's chance in you-know-where of getting it changed, but the administration at least had to try. I'm pretty sure that's a can of worms the UIL does not want to open, even with the extreme travel involved. The UIL committee will listen, and then likely nod their heads and say, "Yes we understand, but …"

This is a move that was expected by the UIL, and to change things in Amarillo might require moving boundary lines, which is tough to do politically in any city.

■ The boys basketball playoffs begin in the UIL next Tuesday, and I'm not really sure what to expect out of any of the boys teams, including Lee and Midland High. Let's face facts, the Bulldogs squeaked in and in a certain respect lucked out because San Angelo Central's Reggie Sutton was on the bench for the season finale.

But the Bulldogs won the game and are still in. It won't be easy for either team to advance past this round, but hey it's been hard for any team from around here to advance past the opening round in Class 5A anything.

Good luck to those guys.

■ I'd like to thank Mark McKinney for clearing up how long it's been since Midland Christian had representatives at the state swim meet with an email on Saturday morning. Finding those types of records can be tough, and we're always looking for help when it comes to searching out those type of facts.

By the way, congrats to Haley Allen and Ryan Keck for each bringing home gold medals from the TAPPS meet on Saturday.

Expect to hear more from those two along with Kyle Martin, who won two silvers on Saturday, in future years.

■ Speaking of water sports, Anna James combined with synchronized diving partner Jessica Parratto to finish fourth at a meet in Germany last week. James is continuing her preparation for the Olympic Trials later this summer.

Also, expect to see Natalie Hinds among those competing in swimming later this summer.

■ Leave it to Chad Knaus to try something on his car before the Daytona 500. Remember the last time they had something similar to this happen, Jimmie Johnson won it. Stay tuned.

■ Good to see that Champion Motor Speedway has been sanctioned by NASCAR as part of the organization's Whelen All-American Series. Yes there is some money help with the sanction but the name NASCAR will help with the track's ability to gain sponsorship and help bring fans, who might not normally got to short-track races.

Now, it's up to the track to put a quality product out there every Saturday night.

■ And finally, it's that time of year again when everything involving spring high school sports is going on in Midland. I just wish I could get them to spread these events out a little bit.

Len Hayward can be reached at lhayward@mrt.com.

On the air today

WHAT'S ON TV

AUTO RACING

NASCAR, Sprint Cup, pole qualifying for Daytona 500, Noon, Fox

NHRA, Arizona Nationals (same-day tape), 8 p.m., ESPN2

GOLF

European PGA Tour, Avantha Masters, final round (same-day tape), 8 a.m., TGC

PGA Tour, Northern Trust Open, final round, Noon, TGC

PGA Tour, Northern Trust Open, final round, 2 p.m., CBS

TGC — LPGA Thailand, final round, (same-day tape), 2 p.m., TGC

Champions Tour, ACE Group Classic, final round, at Naples, Fla. 6 p.m., TGC

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Michigan St. at Purdue, Noon, CBS

Syracuse at Rutgers, Noon, CBS

Vanderbilt at Georgia, Noon, FSS Plus

South Florida at Pittsburgh, 6 p.m., ESPN2

Oregon at Stanford, 6:30 p.m., FSS

MEN'S COLLEGE LACROSSE

Doubleheader, Ohio St. vs. Denver; Navy at Jacksonville, 1 p.m., NBCSN

NBA

Dallas at New York, Noon, ABC

Orlando at Miami, 2:30 p.m., ABC

Denver at Oklahoma City, 7 p.m., ESPN

NHL

Pittsburgh at Buffalo, San Jose at Detroit, or St. Louis at Chicago, 11 a.m., NBC

Boston at Minnesota, 2 p.m., NBC

New Jersey at Montreal, 5 p.m., NBCSN

Nashville at Dallas, 6 p.m., FSS

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Rice at SMU, Noon, FSS

Duke at Maryland, 2 p.m., ESPN2

UCLA at Southern Cal, 2 p.m., FSS

South Carolina at Alabama, 2 p.m., FSS Plus

Purdue at Michigan St., 4 p.m., ESPN2

Washington at Arizona, 4 p.m., FSS

MCS combines for 2 golds, 3 silvers at meet

From staff reports


Martin


Keck


Allen

SAN ANTONIO — Ryan Keck, Kyle Martin and Haley Allen all put up personal bests on the way to bringing home plenty of hardware from this past weekend's TAPPS Swimming and Diving Championships.

Allen, a freshman, not only won the 1-meter diving competition in Division II with 377.5 points, but also recorded the best score of the meet in all divisions at the Northeast ISD's Josh Davis Natatorium. The score was also a personal best for Allen.

On the swimming side, Keck and Martin combined for three silver medals and a gold in their respective events on Saturday.

Keck, a sophomore, won the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 22.87 seconds, which was a personal best time. Keck finished second in the 100 freestyle, coming in with a time of 51.83, also a personal best. Keck finished second to Houston Second Baptist's Jerry Young, who had a time of 50.8.

Martin took second in both of his events on Saturday. Martin finished second in the 200 freestyle with a time of 1:57.72, and also earned silver in the 500 freestyle, timing in at 5:15.84.

This weekend was the first time since at least 2006 that competitors from Midland Christian had competed in the TAPPS state swimming meet.

Midland Classical sophomore Mitch Milam also competed in San Antonio on Saturday, and took medals in the 200-yard individual medley and the 100 butterfly.

Milam finshed second in the 200 IM with a time of 2:16.53, and was third in the 100 butterfly with a personal best time of 58.66 seconds.

Lady Knights advance in TAPPS 3A playoffs

From staff reports

RED OAK — Midland Classical's season continued Saturday with a 59-39 victory against Ovilla Christian in TAPPS 3A area playoff game.

With the win the No. 16 Lady Knights advance to play either No. 9 Dallas Lutheran or TAPPS 1-3A rival Amarillo Arbor in the regional round of the postseason.

MCA got out to a strong start in each half Saturday, jumping out to a 17-6 advantage after the first period. The Lady Knights led 25-15 at halftime before an 18-8 advantage in the third period put the game away.

Kayla Beattie led MCA with 22 points, which includes going 14 of 15 at the free throw line. Karis Johnson added 15, while Emily McDonald led Ovilla Christian with a game-high 26 points.

MIDLAND CLASSICAL 59, OVILLA CHRISTIAN 39

MCA (20-11) — Karis Johnson 15, Summar Sparks 2, Hannah Bailey 9, Kayla Beattie 22, Abbie Reel 2, Amy Hinton 9

Ovilla Christian — Rachel Morales 6, Emily McDonald 26, Keri Shelton 2, Emily Burton 5

MCA	17	8	18	16 —59
Ovilla Christian	6	9	8	16 —39

Free throws — MCA 25-36, OC 15-30. 3-point goals — MCA 0, OC 4 (McDonald 4). Total fouls — MCA 20, OC 20. Fouled out — MCA: Sparks. OC: McDonald, Shelton.

Next: Midland Classical vs. Amarillo Arbor or Dallas Lutheran, 10 a.m. Saturday, Plano John Paul II

LADY CHARGERS

From 1C

a little run in the second quarter," Simonds said.

Even as Westlake was regaining its footing in the second quarter, Trinity had chances to protect its lead but simply wasn't able to convert at the free throw line, where it shot 10 for 20 in the game.

"Westlake was in foul trouble early," Simonds said, "and we weren't able to capitalize at the free throw line."

Trinity remained ahead for most of the second half until, with the teams tied at 27, Westlake hit a 3-pointer with less than a minute to play, which Simonds said "kind of sealed the deal for them."

The Lady Chargers responded with a 3-pointer to tie the game at 30, but Westlake was able to get to the line and hit two free throws with just four seconds remaining to ice the win.

Trinity finishes its season, the first under Simonds, at 13-15. But after losing its entire starting five from last year's state championship team, Simonds was proud of his girls' performance in the TCAF state tournament.

"I'm really proud of our girls," Simonds said. "The odds were stacked against us, but we performed well."

WESTLAKE ACADEMY 32, TRINITY 30

Westlake — Rachel Whitebeck 4, Haley Hundley 6, Laura Baker 8, Sydney Lawhorn 4, Jordan Lee 10

Trinity (13-15) — Macy Essman 5, Mykeiti Ball 5, Mckenzie Edwards 6, London Edwards 7, Emma Cotcher 2, Myra Ball 4, Patricia Bellow 1

Westlake	3	11	6	12 —32
Trinity	12	7	5	6 —30

Free throws — Westlake 4-7, Trinity 10-20. 3-point goals — Westlake 3 (Baker 2, Lawhorn), Trinity 2 (Mykeiti Ball, L. Edwards). Total fouls — Westlake 16, Trinity 12. Fouled out — Westlake, Lee, Trinity, Mykeiti Ball, Mykira Ball.

CHARGERS

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points Saturday — he had 20 points in the first meeting — and fouling out early in the third quarter.

"We played really aggressive from the beginning of the game," Tatum said. "We were focused, we had our defense really turned up.

"He got caught in a lot of 2-on-1 situations where he didn't have a choice but to foul."

Trinity was in the midst of yet another run when Wickenheiser fouled out, but Tatum said seeing their standout head to the bench made it hard for Immanuel to recover.

"You could see the air from the rest of their team kind of leave their sails when he went out," Tatum said.

Trinity, meanwhile, got 16 points from Harley Davis to lead all scorers while juniors Zach Meyer and Taylor Cory chipped in 10 points each, and Thomas Schorr added nine points.

Ten players total scored for Trinity in the game, while Immanuel had no one reach double figures.

Tatum said the win was particularly satisfying for a senior class that came one yard shy of a state title in football and led the way for Trinity late in the season.

"They never questioned anything I asked them to do," Tatum said. "This is an incredibly unselfish group of kids. That's one of the true testaments to this team was that despite whatever else was going on, everybody was always concerned with the team."

And while the win was a satisfying end to a magical run for Trinity, in which it more than tripled its win total from last season, Tatum said he believes it's only a sign of things to come.

"The sky's the limit for the future," Tatum said. "I think this is only the beginning for Trinity basketball."

TRINITY 58, EL PASO IMMANUEL 38

Trinity (23-6) — Harley Davis 16, Zach Meyer 10, Taylor Cory 10, Thomas Schorr 9, Brett Womack 3, Sammy Hajar 2, Alex Young 2, Keith Stroup 2, Brantley Harrington 2, Alex Beal 2

Immanuel — Phillip Wickenheiser 9, Josh Arriaga 6, Octavio Espinoza 6, Eric Bravo 4, Oscar Loyo 4, Fernandez 3, Adam Perez 2, Oscar Hernandez 2, Ramirez 2

Trinity	17	13	16	12 —58
Immanuel	9	12	6	11 —38

Free throws — Trinity 11-16, Immanuel 4-7. 3-point goals — Trinity 3 (Davis, Schorr, Womack), Immanuel none. Total fouls — Trinity 15, Immanuel 17. Fouled out — Immanuel, Wickenheiser.

HSBASKETBALLPAIRINGS

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Girls

Class 5A
Region I
Regional Quarterfinals

Lubbock Monterrey (T2, 23-8) vs. Lubbock Coronado (W2, 26-6), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Rip Griffin Center, Lubbock

Plano West (W8, 33-2) vs. Irving MacArthur (W6, 33-2), TBA

Amarillo High (R2, 27-6) vs. El Paso Bel Air (W1, 21-6)/Arlington Lamar (R4, 18-12), TBA

Southlake Carroll (W7, 31-3) vs. Duncanville (W5, 35-1), TBA

Class 4A
Region I
Regional Quarterfinals

Amarillo Palo Duro (F3, 17-13) vs. Clint Horizon (W2, 30-2), TBA Tuesday, Odessa College Sports Center

Stephenville (W8, 26-8) vs. Granbury (W3, 28-9), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Goren Rose HS

Canyon (W3, 28-3) vs. El Paso Chapin (W1, 32-0), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Odessa College Sports Center

Mansfield Summit (W7, 32-3) vs. Arlington Seguin (W5, 30-4), TBA

Class 3A
Region I
Regional Quarterfinals

Dalhart (R1, 26-10) vs. Lubbock Cooper (W2, 27-6), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dimmit HS

Kennedale (W8, 27-6) vs. Bowie (W6, 25-7), TBA Shallowater (W3, 27-5) vs. Perryton (W1, 26-5), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Palo Duro Activity Center, Amarillo

Decatur (W7, 22-5) vs. Abilene Wylie (W5, 30-4) TBA Tuesday, Tarleton State University, Stephenville

Class 2A
Region I
Regional

Idalou (T2, 20-12) vs. Tulia (W2, 26-7), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Wayland Baptist University's Hutcherson Center, Plainview

Jim Ned (R5, 27-8) vs. Brady (R7, 27-8), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Abilene Christian University

Lubbock Roosevelt (W3, 24-8) vs. Spearman (W1, 22-6), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Canyon HS

Wall (W7, 24-7) vs. Merkel (W5, 32-0), 6:30 p.m. Monday, Grinnell Center, San Angelo

Class A, Division I
Region I
Regional Quarterfinals

Canadian (R1, 27-7) vs. Panhandle (W2, 27-7), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Pampa HS

Sundown (T6, 22-11) vs. Smyer (W6, 32-2), TBA Claredon (W3, 22-4) vs. Gruver (W1, 31-3), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Amarillo High Activity Center

Plains (R6, 29-5) vs. Sudan (W5, 29-3), TBA

Class A, Division II
Region I
Regional Quarterfinals

McLean (W4, 16-13) vs. Follett (R3, 18-10), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Canadian HS

Anton (R5, 17-15) vs. Turkey Valley (W6, 30-0), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Hale Center HS

Nazareth (R2, 24-9) vs. Hartley (W1, 25-8), TBA Lorenzo (W7) vs. Whitharral (W5, 25-5), TBA

Region II
Regional Quarterfinals

Garden City (W12, 27-5) vs. Wink (W10, 20-7), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Howard College's Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, Big Spring

Lipan (W16, 29-2) vs. Throckmorton (W14, 24-8), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Cisco HS

Roby (W11, 21-11) vs. Bronte (R12, 22-12), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Anson HS

Baird (W15, 21-10) vs. Strawn (R16, 26-5), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dublin HS

Boys

Class 5A
Region I
Bi-District

North Crowley (W4, 28-4) vs. Midland High (F3, 7-23), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Clyde HS

El Paso Coronado (R1, 20-8) vs. Lubbock Monterey (T2, 17-13), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jerry Larned Sports Complex, Monahans

Amarillo (W2, 24-3) vs. El Paso Americas (F1, 17-13), 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Andrews HS

Odessa Permian (R3, 23-6) vs. Arlington Bowie (T4, 14-16), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Tuscola Jim Ned

Flower Mound Marcus (W8, 32-2) vs. Justin Northwest or Keller (F7), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Lewisville HS

Duncanville (R5, 18-14) vs. Irving Nimitz (T6, 15-14), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Arlington Sam Houston

Richland (W6, 27-3) vs. Mansfield Timberview (F5, 18-14), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Arlington HS

Coppell (R7, 24-8) vs. Allen (T8, 20-13), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, The Colony HS

San Angelo Central (W3, 29-5) vs. Arlington Lamar (R4, 12-17), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Clyde HS

Lubbock Coronado (R2, 16-11) vs. El Paso Montwood (T1, 21-8), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Pecos HS

El Paso Hanks (W1, 29-6) vs. Amarillo Tascosa (F2, 15-10), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Andrews HS

Arlington Martin (R4, 24-7) vs. Lee (T3, 13-18), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Tuscola Jim Ned

Keller Central (W7, 26-7) vs. Hebron (F8, 21-10), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Trophy Club Byron Nelson Colleyville Heritage (R6, 24-8) vs. Cedar Hill (T5, 22-11), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Arlington Lamar

South Grand Prairie (W5, 31-2) vs. Irving MacArthur (F8, 16-15), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Grand Prairie HS

Plano West (R8, 25-8) vs. Justin Northwest or Keller (T7), 8 p.m. Tuesday, Lewisville HS

Class 4A
Region I
Bi-District

Little Elm (W4, 26-6) vs. Amarillo Palo Duro (F3, 16-13), TBA

El Paso Andress (R1, 18-11) vs. San Elizario (T, 16-15), 7 p.m. Monday, El Paso Andress

El Paso Riverside (W2, 21-8) vs. El Paso Austin (F1), 7 p.m. Monday, El Paso Riverside

Randall (R3, 19-11) vs. Denton Ryan (T4, 18-11), 5 p.m. Tuesday, Vernon HS

Waco University (W8, 28-6) vs. Everman (F7, 20-8), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Burleson HS

Birdville (R5, 19-9) vs. Fort Worth O.D Wyatt (T6, 16-9), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Haltom HS

Fort Worth Trimble Tech (W6, 26-4) vs. Aledo (F5, 20-9), 8 p.m. Tuesday, Thomas Coliseum, Birdville

Mansfield Summit (R7, 20-6) vs. Killeen (T8, 17-16), 8 p.m. Tuesday, McLennan Community College, Waco

Wolfforth Frenship (W3, 28-3) vs. Denton (F4, 9-16), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Childress HS

El Paso Parkland (R2, 15-14) vs. El Paso Bowie (T1, 19-11), TBA

El Paso Burges (W1, 18-8) vs. El Paso Del Valle (F2, 16-15), TBA

The Colony (R4, 29-5) vs. Plainview (T3, 19-13), TBA

Arlington Seguin (W7, 28-5) vs. Waco High (F8, 14-18), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Midlothian HS

Fort Worth Arlington Heights (R6, 20-9) vs. Keller Timber Creek (T5, 21-10), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Thomas Coliseum, Birdville

Trophy Club Byron Nelson (W5, 24-7) vs. Fort Southwest (F8), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Richland HS

Waco Midway (R8, 16-15) vs. Crowley (T7, 17-10), 7:30 p.m. Monday, West HS

Class 3A
Region I
Bi-District

Seminole (W4, 20-7), bye

Pampa (R1) vs. Lamesa (T2, 18-12), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Hutcherson Center, Wayland Baptist University, Plainview

Lubbock Estacado (W2, 24-7), bye

Clint (R3, 15-13) vs. Fort Stockton (T4, 12-14), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Gallego Center, Alpine

Alvarado (W8, 18-11), bye

Brownwood (R5, 11-19) vs. Graham (T6), 6 p.m. Tuesday, McMurry University, Abilene

Wichita Falls Hirsch (W6, 20-6), bye

Decatur (R7) vs. Glen Rose (T8, 15-13), TBA

Fabens (W3, 16-11), bye

Lubbock Cooper (R2, 22-9) vs. Perryton (T1, 21-10), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Canyon HS

Dalhart (W1), bye

Greenwood (R4, 23-10) vs. Clint Mountain View (T3, 14-15), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Fort Stockton HS

Mineral Wells (W7, 18-17), bye

Burkburnett (R6, 25-5) vs. Big Spring (T5, 14-17), 6 p.m., Tuesday, Eastland HS

Abilene Wylie (W5, 22-7), bye

Kennedale (R8, 22-9) vs. Burleson Centennial (T7), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Mansfield Legacy

Class 2A
Region I
Bi-District

Kermit (W4), bye

Bushland (R1, 18-10) vs. Littlefield (T2, 18-10), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Hereford HS

Idalou (W2, 26-4), bye

Denver City (R3, 22-7) vs. Alpine (T4, 12-14), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Jerry Larned Sports Complex, Monahans

Ingram Tom Moore (W8, 20-9), bye

Brackenridge (R5, 20-9) vs. Comanche (T6, 15-12), TBA

Dublin (W6, 26-4), bye

Ballinger (R7,15-15) vs. Harper (T8), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Brady

Colorado City (W3, 23-8), bye

Friona (R2, 22-8) vs. Highland Park (T1, 12-14), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Randall HS

Childress (W1, 29-3), bye

Tornillo (W10) vs. Stanton (T3, 18-11), 8 p.m., Sul Ross State University, Alpine

Wall (W7, 21-6), bye

Bangs (R8, 23-5) vs. Eastland (T5, 19-4), 8 p.m. Tuesday, McMurry University, Abilene

Tuscola Jim Ned (W5, 29-6), bye

Grape Creek (R8, 12-14) vs. Blanco (T7, 13-11), 7 p.m. Tuesday, San Saba HS

Class A, Division I
Region I
Bi-District

Hale Center (W4, 22-3), bye

Gruver (R1, 15-15) vs. Boys Ranch (T2, 19-7), 8 p.m. Tuesday, Amarillo High Activity Center

Vega (W2, 23-4), bye

Memphis (R3, 15-12) vs. New Deal (T4, 9-18), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Randall HS

Van Horn (W6, 17-9), bye

Farwell (R5, 16-11) vs. Smyer (T6, 16-13), 6:30 p.m. Monday, Shallowater HS

Seagraves (W6, 17-10) bye

Iraan (R7, 10-10) vs. Fort Hancock (T8), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Fort Stockton HS

Clarendon (W3, 16-10) bye

Panhandle (R2, 19-9) vs. Stratford (T1, 13-11), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Caprock Activity Center

Canadian (W1, 19-8), bye

Crosbyton (R4, 7-6) vs. Wellington (T3, 10-8), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Palo Duro Activity Center

Reagan County (W7, 22-9), bye

Morton (R8, 18-7) vs. Sudan (T5, 13-14), TBA

Dilton (W5, 22-7), bye

Marfa (R8) vs. McCamey or Iron County (T7), TBA

Class A, Division II
Region I
Bi-District

Shamrock (W4, 17-9), bye

Hartley (R1, 11-18) vs. Kress (T2, 18-10), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Vega HS

Nazareth (W2, 20-10), bye

Miami (R3, 12-8) vs. McLean (T4, 8-17), 6 p.m. Monday, Pampa HS

Grady (W8, 24-3), bye

Petersburg (R5, 11-15) vs. Spur (T6), TBA

Valley (W3), bye

New Home (R7, 18-6) vs. O'Donnell (T8, 20-9), TBA

Darrouzett (W3, 11-12), bye

Happy (R2, 14-8) vs. Channing (T1, 14-7), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Vega HS

Texline (W1, 20-6), bye

Groom (R4, 9-11) vs. Briscoe Fort Elliott (T3, 11-13), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Borger HS

Meadow (W7, 19-5), bye

Paducah (R6) vs. Anton (T5), TBA

Whitharral (W5, 22-6), bye

Sands (R8, 23-6) vs. Ropes (T7, 17-6), TBA

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Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	20	11	.645	—
Boston	15	14	.517	4
New York	15	16	.484	5
New Jersey	9	23	.281	11 1/2
Toronto	9	23	.281	11 1/2

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	24	7	.774	—
Orlando	20	11	.645	4
Atlanta	19	11	.633	4 1/2
Washington	7	24	.226	17
Charlotte	7	26	.133	19 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	25	8	.758	—
Indiana	18	12	.600	5 1/2
Milwaukee	12	18	.400	11 1/2
Cleveland	11	17	.393	11 1/2
Detroit	10	22	.313	14 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	22	9	.710	—
Dallas	20	11	.645	2
Memphis	18	14	.563	4 1/2
Houston	17	14	.548	5
New Orleans	7	23	.233	14 1/2

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	23	7	.767	—
Denver	17	14	.548	6 1/2
Utah	15	14	.517	7 1/2
Portland	16	15	.516	7 1/2
Minnesota	15	16	.484	8 1/2

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Clippers	19	10	.655	—
L.A. Lakers	18	12	.600	1 1/2
Golden State	11	17	.393	7 1/2
Phoenix	12	19	.387	8
Sacramento	10	20	.333	9 1/2

Saturday's Scores

San Antonio 103, L.A. Clippers 100, OT
New Jersey 97, Chicago 85
Memphis 104, Golden State 103
Atlanta at Portland, Late

Today's Games

Dallas at New York, Noon
Orlando at Miami, 2:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Cleveland, 5 p.m.
Boston at Detroit, 5 p.m.
Charlotte at Indiana, 5 p.m.
Utah at Houston, 6 p.m.
Philadelphia at Minnesota, 6 p.m.
Milwaukee at New Jersey, 6 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Phoenix, 7 p.m.
Denver at Oklahoma City, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY'S BOXES

SPURS 103, CLIPPERS 100, OT

SAN ANTONIO (103): Jefferson 2-6 0-0 5, Duncan 5-14 1-4 11, Blair 5-7 0-0 10, Parker 11-22 8-11 30, Green 4-7 0-0 11, Splitter 0-1 0-2 0, Ginobili 1-3 0-0 2, Leonard 2-6 0-0 4, Bonner 5-12 0-0 13, Neal 5-14 2-4 17, Joseph 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 40-92 11-21 103.

L.A. CLIPPERS (100): Butler 4-11 4-4 13, Griffin 9-18 4-6 22, Dorsett 4-7 0-0 8, Paul 6-19 8-8 21, Foye 8-17 1-1 21, Williams 3-9 0-0 8, Martin 1-4 1-2 3, Gomes 1-2 2-2 4, Evans 0-1 0-0 0, Bledsoe 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 36-89 20-23 100

San Antonio	**15**	**30**	**25**	**25** **8 — 103**
L.A. Clippers	**26**	**17**	**24**	**28** **5 — 100**

3-Point Goals—San Antonio 12-28 (Neal 5-8, Green 3-4, Bonner 3-6, Jefferson 1-3, Ginobili 0-2, Parker 0-2, Leonard 0-3), L.A. Clippers 8-26 (Foye 4-10, Williams 2-5, Paul 1-3, Butler 1-6, Martin 0-1, Bledsoe 0-1). Fouled Out—Griffin. Rebounds—San Antonio 53 (Duncan 17), L.A. Clippers 65 (Griffin 20). Assists—San Antonio 23 (Parker 10), L.A. Clippers 22 (Paul 6). Total Fouls—San Antonio 22, L.A. Clippers 18. A—19,217 (19,060).

NETS 97, BULLS 85

NEW JERSEY (97): Stevenson 2-5 0-0 6, Humphries 10-15 4-6 24, She Williams 2-7 4-4 8, D.Williams 9-26 6-7 29, Brooks 7-19 3-4 19, Petro 1-4 0-0 2, Morrow 1-4 0-0 2, Farmar 1-3 1-1 4, Gaines 1-2 1-3 3. J.Williams 0-0 0-0 0. Emmett 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 34-85 19-25 97.

CHICAGO (85): Deng 5-14 3-5 14, Boozer 7-12 2-4 16, Noah 0-3 0-2 0, Watson 3-9 4-4 10, Brewer 2-5 1-2 5, Butler 1-2 1-2 3, Asik 0-5 0-0 0, M.James 5-13 3-3 16, Gibson 6-11 2-2 14, Korver 2-6 0-0 5. Totals 36-89 20-23 100

New Jersey	**34**	**25**	**14**	**24** — **97**
Chicago	**19**	**26**	**11**	**29** — **85**

3-Point Goals—New Jersey 10-22 (D.Williams 5-9, Stevenson 2-5, Brooks 2-6, Farmar 1-1, Morrow 0-1), Chicago 3-13 (M.James 1-2, Deng 1-2, Korver 1-3, Brewer 0-1, Lucas 0-2, Watson 0-3). Fouled Out—M.James. Rebounds—New Jersey 56 (Humphries 18), Chicago 63 (Gibson, Boozer 9). Assists—New Jersey 19 (D.Williams 8), Chicago 17 (M.James 7). Total Fouls—New Jersey 17, Chicago 23. Technicals—D.Williams, New Jersey defensive three second, Chicago defensive three second. A—22,300 (20,917).

GRIZZLIES 104, WARRIORS 103

GOLDEN STATE (103): D.Wright 0-7 0-0 0, Lee 5-13 4-6 14, Biedrins 1-1 0-2 2, Curry 13-21 4-4 36, Ellis 10-22 9-12 33, Udoh 1-2 1-2 3, Robinson 1-1 1-1 3, Rush 3-7 0-0 8, Thompson 1-5 0-0 2, McGuire 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 35-82 21-27 103.

MEMPHIS (104): Gay 8-16 3-7 19, Speights 7-15 2-3 16, Gasol 5-9 7-7 17, Conley 4-9 6-7 15, Allen 3-3 5-8 11, Cunningham 1-3 0-0 2, Mayo 7-12 1-2 18, Pargo 2-4 2-4 6, Pondexter 0-2 0-0 0, Haddadi 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-73 26-38 104.

Golden State	**19**	**37**	**22**	**25** — **103**
Memphis	**34**	**20**	**22**	**28** — **104**

3-Point Goals—Golden State 12-26 (Curry 6-9, Ellis 4-8, Rush 2-2, McGuire 0-1, Thompson 0-2, D.Wright 0-4), Memphis 4-11 (Mayo 3-6, Conley 1-3, Pargo 0-1). Fouled Out—Biedrins. Rebounds—Golden State 39 (Lee 9), Memphis 62 (Gasol 13). Assists—Golden State 18 (Ellis, Curry 6), Memphis 16 (Conley 6). Total Fouls—Golden State 29, Memphis 20. Technicals—Gasol, A—17,151 (18,119).

Fight Schedule

Friday

At Dover (Del.) Downs hotel & Casino (ESPN2): Andre Ward vs. Carlos Bunger, for Ward's title, for the WBC Silver super featherweight title; Edgar Santana vs. Manuel Perez, 10, for Santana's NABA junior welterweight title.

At the DoubleTree Hotel, Ontario, Calif.: Artemio Reyes vs. Victor Hugo Correa, 10, welterweights.

Saturday

At Stuttgart, Germany, Alexander Povetkin vs. Marco Huck, 12, for Povetkin's WBA World heavyweight title.

At St. Louis (HBO), Marcos Maidana vs. Devon Alexander, 10, welterweights. Adrien Broner vs. Eloy Perez, 12, for Broner's WBO junior lightweight title.

Feb. 29

At Hobart, Australia, Daniel Geale vs. Obumanu Adama, 12, for Geale's IBF middleweight title; Kali Meehan vs. Kertson Manowell, 12, heavyweights.

March 3

At Duesseldorf, Germany, Wladimir Klitschko vs. Jean-Marc Mormeck, 12, for Klitschko's WBA Super World-IBF-WBO-IBO heavyweight titles.

At the Woodland (Calif.) Community Center, Vicente Escobedo vs. Lonnie Smith, 10, for the vacant NABO Junior Lightweight Title.

March 7

At Hobart, Australia, Daniel Geale vs. Obumanu Adama, 12, for Geale's IBF middleweight title; Billy Dib vs. Eduardo Escobedo, 12, for Dib's IBF featherweight title; Kali Meehan vs. Travis Walker, 12, heavyweights.

March 10

At Coliseo Roberto Clemente, San Juan, Puerto Rico (SHO), Orlando Salido vs. Juan Manuel Lopez, 12, for Salido's WBO featherweight title; Miguel Angel Garcia vs. Michael Farenas, 12, featherweights.

March 16

At Morongo Casino Resort & Spa, Cabazon, Calif. (ESPN2), Kendall Holt vs. Tim Coleman, 10, welterweights.

At Fantasy Springs Resort Casino, Indio, Calif., Omar Figueroa Jr. vs. Ramon Ayala, 10, for Figueroa's WBO Intercontinental Youth lightweight title.

March 17

At Madison Square Garden, New York (HBO), Sergio Gabriel Martinez vs. Matthew Macklin, 12, middleweights; Donovan George vs. Edwin Rodriguez, 10, super middleweights.

March 24

At Johannesburg, South Africa, Nkosinathi Joyi vs. Katsunari Takayama, 12, for IBF minimumweight title.

At Answer Sports Complex, Brooklyn, N.Y. (NBCSP), Zab Judah vs. Vernon Paris, 12, junior welterweights.

At Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, Victor Cayo vs. Nate Campbell, 10, junior welterweights.

At Reliant Arena, Houston (HBO), Erik Morales vs. Danny Garcia, 12, for Morales's WBC junior welterweight title; James Kirkland vs. Carlos Molina, 12, junior welterweights.

April 7

At Tokyó, Shinsuke Yamanaka vs. Vic Darchinyan, 12, for Yamanaka's WBC bantamweight title.

May 5

At MGM Grand Garden Arena, Las Vegas (PPV), Miguel Cotto vs. Floyd Mayweather, 12, for Cotto's WBA World super welterweight title.

May 19

At Mandalay Bay Hotel, Las Vegas (HBO), Lamont Peterson vs. Amir Khan, 10, for Peterson's WBA World and IBF super lightweight title.

PGA Tour

Northern Trust Open Par Scores
Saturday
At Riviera Country Club
Los Angeles
Purse: $6.5 million
Yardage: 7,349; Par: 71
Third Round

Keegan Bradley	71-69-66	— 206
Phil Mickelson	66-70-70	— 206
Bryce Molder*	74-67-66	— 207
Jonathan Byrd	69-70-68	— 207
Pat Hurst	72-65-70	— 207
Aaron Baddeley	73-69-66	— 208
Dustin Johnson	71-70-67	— 208
Bill Haas	72-68-68	— 208
Ryan Moore	72-69-68	— 209
Jarrod Lyle	73-65-71	— 209
Bo Van Pelt	74-68-67	— 209
J.B. Holmes	67-73-70	— 210
Marc Leishman	70-69-71	— 210
Jimmy Walker	72-69-69	— 210
Jim Furyk	72-70-69	— 211
Justin Rose	70-70-71	— 211
Zach Johnson	71-69-71	— 211
J.J. Killeen	71-69-71	— 211
Bubba Watson	70-69-72	— 211
Nick Watney	73-70-68	— 211
Hunter Mahan	67-75-70	— 212
Kyle Stanley	74-68-70	— 212
Robert Garrigus	70-69-73	— 212
Johnson Wagner	73-71-68	— 212
Spencer Levin	73-66-73	— 212
Tommy Gainey	70-73-70	— 213
Jason Kokrak	76-67-70	— 213
Luke Donald	70-72-71	— 213
Brendon de Jonge	70-74-69	— 213
Cameron Tringale	74-68-71	— 213
YE Yang	72-72-69	— 213
Briny Baird	71-70-72	— 213
Adam Scott	73-71-69	— 213
Kevin Chappell	73-67-73	— 213
Brandt Snedeker	71-70-72	— 213
Ryan Palmer	76-69-68	— 213
Matt Kuchar	69-69-75	— 213
Joe Ogilvie	71-71-72	— 214
Kevin Stadler	71-71-72	— 214
Ernie Els	73-68-73	— 214
Graham DeLaet	73-68-73	— 214
Robin Fowler	75-69-70	— 214
Charlie Wi	75-69-70	— 214
K.J. Choi	69-71-74	— 214
Stewart Cink	69-71-74	— 214
Bobby Gates	73-72-69	— 214
Carl Pettersson	68-70-76	— 214
Erik Compton	73-72-69	— 214
John Senden	73-70-72	— 215
Vijay Singh	74-70-71	— 215
Kevin Streelman	74-70-71	— 215
Hendrik Jacobson	74-70-71	— 215
Bud Cauley	74-70-71	— 215
Michael Thompson	72-72-71	— 215
George Garcia	69-76-70	— 215
Sunghoon Kang	72-71-73	— 216
George McNeill	76-67-73	— 216
Scott Piercy	72-70-74	— 216
Cameron Beckman	70-75-71	— 216
Jeff Overton	73-72-71	— 216
Patrick Sheehan	71-71-74	— 216
Brendan Steele	69-74-74	— 217
David Hearn	70-73-74	— 217
Jason Dufner	72-72-73	— 217
Billy Mayfair	72-73-72	— 217
Padraig Harrington	74-70-74	— 218
Gary Woodland	73-71-74	— 218
Ricky Barnes	71-71-77	— 219
Ryo Ishikawa	73-70-76	— 219
Ken Duke	69-72-78	— 219
Sean Day	73-71-75	— 219
Bill Lunde	73-72-74	— 219
Harrison Frazar	71-74-74	— 219
Troy Matteson	68-75-77	— 220
Matt Bettencourt	73-70-77	— 220
Kevin Na	74-71-78	— 223

LPGA Tour

LPGA Honda Thailand Scores
Saturday
At Siam Country Club (Old Course)
Pattaya, Thailand
Purse: $1.5 million
Yardage: 6,469; Par: 72
Third Round
a-amateur

Ai Miyazato	67-70-65	— 202
Yani Tseng	73-65-66	— 204
Ayaka Shin	70-66-68	— 204
Karine Webb	68-65-71	— 204
Amy Yang	68-69-68	— 205
Suzann Pettersen	70-67-69	— 206
a-Anya Jutanugarn	73-69-65	— 207
Jenny Shin	71-70-67	— 208
Stacy Lewis	70-69-69	— 208
Amanda Blumenherst	71-67-71	— 209
Pornanong Phatlum	71-67-71	— 209
Na Yeon Choi	68-68-73	— 209
Mina Harigae	74-68-68	— 210
Shanshan Feng	70-70-70	— 210
Jimin Kang	70-72-68	— 210
Caroline Hedwall	72-65-74	— 211
Hee Young Park	72-71-69	— 212
Brittany Lincicome	70-70-72	— 212
Angela Stanford	76-69-68	— 213
Sophie Gustafson	74-70-69	— 213
Azahara Munoz	75-69-69	— 213
Cristie Kerr	74-68-71	— 213
Anna Nordqvist	68-74-71	— 213
Se Ri Pak	68-74-71	— 213
Sandra Gal	75-70-69	— 214
Katherine Hull	73-71-70	— 214
Meena Lee	72-70-72	— 214
Jennifer Johnson	71-70-73	— 214

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Christel Boeljon	69-69-76	— 214
Maria Hjorth	71-73-71	— 215
Candie Kung	71-73-71	— 215
Ayako Okamoto	72-72-71	— 215
Hilary McPherson	71-72-72	— 215
Chella Choi	73-69-73	— 215
Wendy Ward	70-72-73	— 215
Mindy Kim	74-72-70	— 216
Ji Young Oh	73-73-70	— 216
Karine Icher	70-74-72	— 216
Katie Futcher	75-68-73	— 216
Belen Mozo	74-70-72	— 216
Eun-Hee Ji	74-76-67	— 217
Vicky Hurst	76-73-68	— 217
Paula Creamer	72-73-72	— 217
Catriona Matthew	74-71-72	— 217
Brittany Lang	70-72-75	— 217
Sun Young Yoo	74-75-69	— 218
Hee Kyung Seo	76-72-70	— 218
I.K. Kim	72-71-75	— 218
Beatriz Recari	74-68-76	— 218
Julieta Granada	71-76-72	— 219
Karen Stupples	77-69-73	— 219
Dewi Claire Schreefel	74-69-76	— 219
Ryann O'Toole	73-73-72	— 220
Amy Hung	72-75-73	— 220
a-Monya Jutanugarn	73-73-74	— 220
Inbee Park	69-74-77	— 220
Morgan Pressel	75-74-72	— 221
Numa Gulyanamitta	75-73-73	— 221
Jennifer Rosales	74-74-73	— 221
Pat Hurst	73-71-77	— 221
Tiffany Joh	70-75-77	— 222
Hee-Won Han	75-73-74	— 222
Beatriz Recari	79-72-73	— 224
Natalie Gulbis	74-74-76	— 224
Pernilla Lindberg	75-79-71	— 225
Nontaya Srisawang	72-75-78	— 225
Christina Kim	78-79-69	— 226
Pornanong Phatlum	79-74-73	— 226

Also

Berry Henson, United States 70-70-74 — 214
Peter Uihlein, United States 69-73-73 — 215

Champions Tour

ACE Group Classic Scores
Saturday
At TwinEagles Golf Club (Talon Course)
Naples, Fla.
Purse: $1.6 million
Yardage: 7,193; Par: 72
Second Round

Kenny Perry	64-62	— 126
Larry Mize	62-67	— 129
Tom Lehman	64-66	— 130
Bernhard Langer	66-65	— 131
Mark Calcavecchia	66-65	— 131
Jeff Sluman	68-64	— 132
Bill Glasson	68-64	— 132
P.H. Horgan III	68-64	— 132
Jim Carter	67-66	— 133
Jeff Sorte	71-66	— 137
Jim Gallagher, Jr.	69-68	— 137
J.L. Lewis	69-68	— 137
John Rutledge	70-68	— 138
Bobby Clampett	70-68	— 138
Chip Beck	70-68	— 138
Joe Durant	72-66	— 138
Fuzzy Zoeller	69-69	— 138
Bob Tway	69-69	— 138
Allen Doyle	66-72	— 138
Joe Daley	71-68	— 139
Mark Wiebe	74-65	— 139
Scott Koch	68-71	— 139
Loren Roberts	71-69	— 140
Peter Senior	70-70	— 140
Dave Rummells	72-68	— 140
Craig Stadler	69-71	— 140
Hale Irwin	70-71	— 141
D.A. Weibring	70-71	— 141
Peter Jacobsen	70-71	— 141
Tom Kite	69-72	— 141
Steve Pate	69-72	— 141
Mike Price	70-72	— 142
Corey Pavin	70-72	— 142
Chen Soon Lu	71-71	— 142
Olin Browne	70-72	— 142
John Harris	70-72	— 142
David Eger	69-73	— 142
Tom Jenkins	73-69	— 142
Ben Crenshaw	73-69	— 142
Morris Hatalsky	74-68	— 142
Mark McNulty	68-74	— 142
Jeff Hart	75-67	— 142
Tom Purtzer	72-71	— 143
Mike Reid	73-70	— 143
Jim Thorpe	74-69	— 143
Brad Faxon	77-66	— 143
John Huston	71-73	— 144
Fred Couples	72-72	— 144
Gary Hallberg	78-66	— 144
Larry Nelson	72-73	— 145
Andy Bean	73-72	— 145
Alex Prugh	70-75	— 145
Andres Echavarria	70-75	— 145
Chris Nallen	71-74	— 145
David Ogrin	77-68	— 145
Brenden Pappas	71-75	— 146
Steve Stricker	74-72	— 146
Marc Turnesa	73-73	— 146
Guy Boros	76-70	— 146
Bubba Dickerson	72-75	— 147
Vance Veazey	71-76	— 147
Martin Piller	69-74	— 147
Wes Roach	70-77	— 147
Cliff Kresge	74-73	— 147
Aaron Goldberg	72-75	— 147

European Tour

Avantha Masters Leading Scores
Saturday
At DLF Golf and Country Club
Gurgaon, India
Purse: $2.4 million
Yardage: 7,156; Par: 72
Third Round

Joe Kruger, South Africa	70-69-66	— 205
Marcel Siem, Germany	69-69-68	— 206
Jean-Baptiste Gonnet, France	68-68-70	— 206
Peter Whiteford, Scotland	66-68-72	— 206
Jose Manuel Lara, Spain	74-69-64	— 207
Andrea Pavan, Italy	68-71-67	— 207
Paul McGinley, Ireland	70-69-68	— 207
Marc Warren, Scotland	72-67-68	— 207
Marcus Both, Australia	69-69-69	— 207
Prom Meesawat, Thailand	72-64-71	— 207
Tano Goya, Argentina	74-70-64	— 208
Rhys Davies, Wales	68-70-70	— 208
Alejandro Canizares, Spain	66-73-69	— 208
Thorbjorn Olesen, Denmark	71-67-70	— 208
Chapchai Nirat, Thailand	70-67-71	— 208
Jorge Campillo, Spain	71-71-66	— 208
Joost Luiten, Netherlands	70-69-70	— 209
Gregory Havret, France	68-70-71	— 209
Soren Hansen, Denmark	70-68-71	— 209

Also

Barry Henseon, United States	70-70-74	— 214
Peter Uihlein, United States	69-73-73	— 215

Nationwide Tour

Pacific Rubiales Colombia Championship Scores
Saturday
At Country Club de Bogota
Bogota, Colombia
Purse: $600,000
Yardage: 7,237; Par: 71
Third Round

Skip Kendall	70-67-66	— 203
Andrew Svoboda	70-66-67	— 203
Kirk Triplett	72-68-64	— 204
Charles Warren	71-69-66	— 206
James Hahn	69-69-67	— 205
Brian Stuard	74-66-67	— 207
Andy Bare	68-71-68	— 207
Andres Gonzales	69-70-68	— 207
Hudson Swafford	68-69-70	— 207
D.J. Brigman	69-69-70	— 208
Billy Horschel	66-66-76	— 208
Brian Smock	66-68-74	— 208
Will Wilcox	77-64-68	— 209
Oscar Serna	72-70-67	— 209
Michael Connell	68-72-69	— 209
Paul Haley II	71-71-67	— 209
Manuel Villegas	70-68-71	— 209
Brad Clanton	68-70-71	— 209
Jay Haas	66-68-74	— 208
Jay Haas	66-68-74	— 208
Ryan Hietala	71-66-72	— 209
Michael Sim	70-65-74	— 209
Erik Flores	67-68-74	— 209
Jason Allred	73-68-69	— 210
Chad Collins	70-70-70	— 210
Jerod Turner	70-71-69	— 210
Derek Fathauer	68-72-70	— 210
Benjamin Alvarado	69-73-68	— 210
Kevin Johnson	70-70-70	— 210
Bronson La Cassie	70-72-68	— 210
Morgan Hoffmann	67-71-72	— 210
Steve Lutz	72-70-68	— 210
Tyrone Van Aswegen	68-71-72	— 211
Dicky Pride	70-68-73	— 211
Scott Sterling	73-70-68	— 211
Scott Gardner	72-69-71	— 212
Doug LaBelle II	70-71-71	— 212
Travis Hampshire	70-71-71	— 212
Bio Kim	73-69-70	— 212
Brice Garnett	72-68-72	— 212
Won Joon Lee	70-71-71	— 212
Mike Lavery	68-71-73	— 212
Paul Stankowski	73-70-69	— 212
Lee Williams	76-67-69	— 212
Brad Fritsch	72-68-73	— 213
Darron Stiles	71-69-73	— 213
Steve Friesen	72-70-71	— 213
Fabian Gomez	70-69-74	— 213
Robert Damron	70-73-70	— 213
Roger Tambellini	70-71-73	— 214
Tim Wilkinson	70-70-74	— 214
Scott Parel	69-71-74	— 214
Christopher DeForest	70-69-75	— 214
Alex Aragon	71-70-73	— 214
Reid Edstrom	69-74-72	— 215
Stuart Anderson	70-73-72	— 215
Ben Briscoe	69-74-72	— 215
Alex Prugh	70-68-77	— 215
Andres Echavarria	72-71-72	— 215
Chris Nallen	70-71-74	— 215
David Lingmerth	70-72-74	— 216
Brenden Pappas	68-75-73	— 216
Sam Saltveit	69-74-73	— 216
Marc Turnesa	73-71-72	— 216
Guy Boros	75-67-75	— 217
Bubba Dickerson	72-70-75	— 217
Vance Veazey	74-69-74	— 217
Martin Piller	69-74-74	— 217
Wes Roach	70-71-78	— 219
Cliff Kresge	74-68-77	— 219
Aaron Goldberg	72-71-77	— 220

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
N.Y. Rangers	56	37	14	5	79	158	114
Philadelphia	58	32	19	7	71	183	177
Pittsburgh	58	33	20	5	71	182	154
New Jersey	57	33	20	4	70	161	158
N.Y. Islanders	58	25	26	7	57	139	189

Northeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	56	35	19	2	72	190	130
Ottawa	60	30	22	8	68	179	183
Toronto	59	29	24	6	64	178	180
Montreal	59	24	25	10	58	159	161
Buffalo	58	24	27	7	55	142	173

Southeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Florida	57	27	19	11	65	144	160
Washington	58	29	24	5	63	159	163
Winnipeg	60	28	26	6	62	168	169
Tampa Bay	58	28	26	6	62	158	185
Carolina	59	22	26	11	55	153	181

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	59	40	17	2	82	187	137
St. Louis	58	36	15	7	79	149	114
Nashville	58	33	19	6	72	152	152
Chicago	59	31	21	7	69	186	177
Columbus	58	17	35	6	40	134	192

Northwest Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Vancouver	58	37	15	6	80	189	142
Calgary	58	27	23	8	62	141	155
Colorado	59	29	26	4	62	150	163
Minnesota	58	25	24	9	59	129	154
Edmonton	57	22	29	6	50	151	172

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	56	31	18	7	69	165	139
Phoenix	59	29	23	7	65	152	147
Los Angeles	58	27	20	11	65	124	125
Dallas	58	29	25	4	62	150	164
Anaheim	58	24	24	10	58	150	168

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

Saturday's Scores

Pittsburgh 6, Philadelphia 4
Chicago 6, Columbus 1
St. Louis 4, Minnesota 0
N.Y. Islanders 4, Carolina 3
Tampa Bay 2, Washington 1
Vancouver 6, Toronto 2
Phoenix 2, Dallas 1, OT
Calgary at Los Angeles, Late

Today's Games

Pittsburgh at Buffalo, 11:30 a.m.
San Jose at Detroit, 11:30 a.m.
St. Louis at Chicago, 11:30 a.m.
Boston at Minnesota, 2:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Montreal, 5 p.m.
Anaheim at Florida, 5 p.m.
Nashville at Ottawa, 5 p.m.
Columbus at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.
Colorado at Winnipeg, 7:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Edmonton, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY'S SUMMARIES

COYOTES 2, STARS 1

Dallas	**0**	**1**	**0**	**— 1**
Phoenix	**1**	**0**	**1**	**— 2**

First Period—1, Phoenix, Boedker 8 (Korpikoski, Yandle), 13:31.

Second Period—2, Dallas, Ryder 22 (Eriksson, Ribeiro), 12:37 (pp).

Third Period—None.

Overtime—3, Phoenix, Vrbata 28 (Whitney), 1:15.

Shots on Goal—Dallas 13-8-10-0—31 Phoenix 13-9-9-2—33.

Goalies—Dallas, Lehtonen. Phoenix, Smith. A—16,604 (17,135). T—2:23

BLACKHAWKS 6, BLUE JACKETS 1

Chicago	**2**	**2**	**2**	**— 6**
Columbus	**1**	**0**	**0**	**— 1**

First Period—1, Columbus, Brassard 10, 5:13. 2, Chicago, J.Toews 29 (Sharp, Keith), 8:24. 3, Chicago, Stalberg 16 (Bickell, Olesen), 16:48

Second Period—4, Chicago, Sharp 24 (Kane, J.Toews), 13:39. 5, Chicago, Kane 13 (J.Toews, Sharp), 15:30

Third Period—6, Chicago, Kruger 6 (Bruzzese, Hjalmarsson), 4:43 7, Chicago, Lepisto 1 (Bolland), 5:32

Shots on Goal—Chicago 11-12-5—28 Columbus 10-12-10—32

Goalies—Chicago, Crawford. Columbus, Mason. York. A—18,663 (18,144) T—2:19

PENGUINS 6, FLYERS 4

Pittsburgh	**1**	**2**	**3**	**— 6**
Philadelphia	**2**	**2**	**0**	**— 4**

First Period—1, Pittsburgh, Cooke 10, 3:17. 2, Philadelphia, Jagr 14 (Briere), 15:16. 3, Philadelphia, Jagr 15 (Giroux, Timonen), 15:34 (pp).

Second Period—4, Pittsburgh, Staal 18 (Adams), 15:14 (sh). 5, Pittsburgh, Cooke 11, 16:37 (sh). 6, Philadelphia, Timonen 1, 18:41.

Third Period—7, Pittsburgh, Jeffrey 4 (Cooke), 37. 8, Pittsburgh, Dupuis 13 (Staal Kunitz), 9:02. 10, Philadelphia, Simmonds 21 (van Riemsdyk), 19:41

Shots on Goal—Pittsburgh 7-8-15—30 Philadelphia 13-10-8—31

Goalies—Pittsburgh, Fleury. Philadelphia, Bryzgalov, Bobrovsky A—19,958 (19,537). T—2:28

BLUES 4, WILD 0

Minnesota	**0**	**0**	**0**	**— 0**
St. Louis	**2**	**1**	**1**	**— 4**

First Period—1, St. Louis, Reaves 1 (Nichol, Shattenkirk), 19:03.

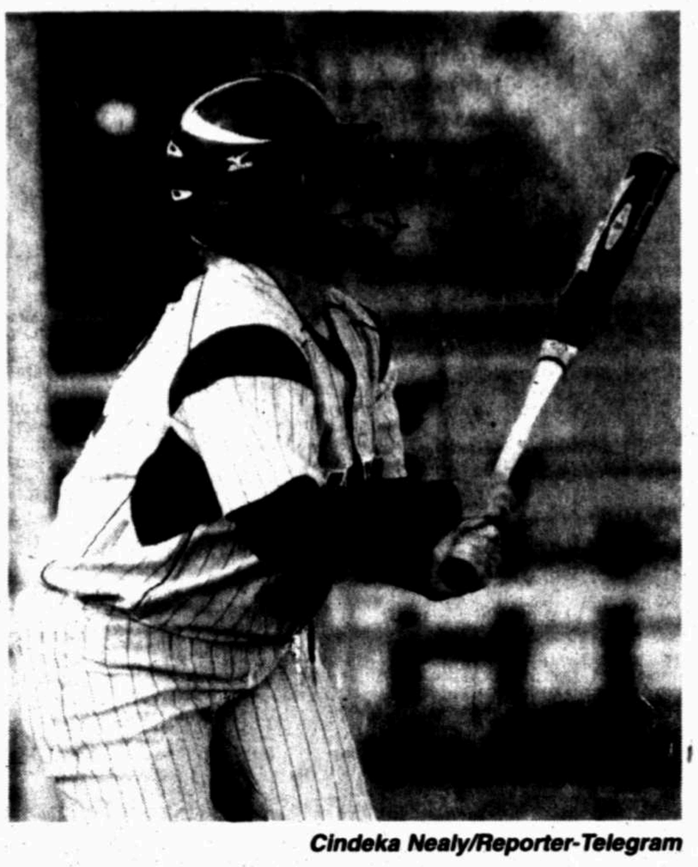
Second Period—2, St. Louis, Jackman 1 (Berglund, Langenbrunner), 4:36. 3, St. Louis, McDonald 2 (Pietrangelo, Shattenkirk), 19:19 (pp).

Third Period—4, St. Louis, Sobotka 3 (Perron, Pietrangelo), 7:31.

Missed Penalty Shot—Berglund. Stl., 3:01 second.

Shots on Goal—Minnesota 7-3-3—13 St. Louis 9-17-8—34

Goalies—Minnesota, Harding. St. Louis, Elliott. A—19,



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Midland College's Carly Weidenbach watches the ball fly over the fence as she hit a home run on Saturday at the Freddie Ezell Softball Complex.

LADY CHAPS

From 1C

came with our own run, too, and battled. I thought that game was our most complete game."

Gee Estrada led the Lady Chaps' charge against Blinn, going 2 for 4 with a home run and four RBI. Meghan Macias also had a home run.

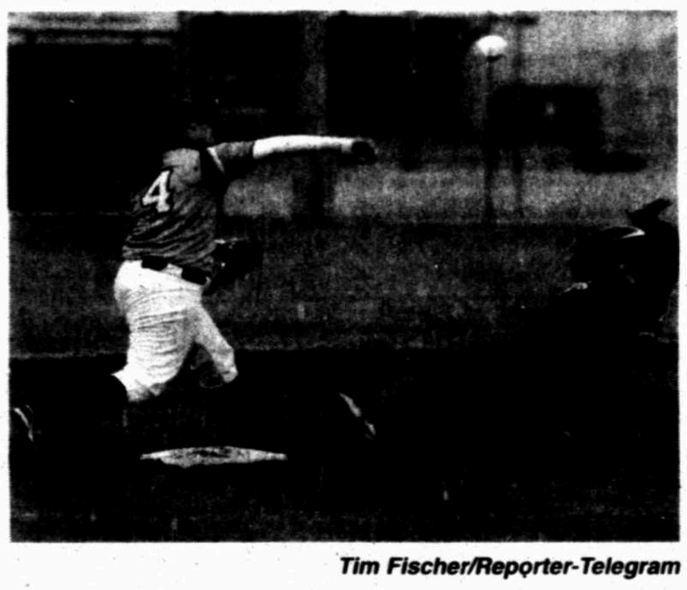
Estrada continued to swing a heavy bat in the Lady Chaps second game — a 14-2 victory against Cisco College. Estrada finished with another four RBI on a 2 for 2 day at the plate. She had a double and a home run.

The Lady Chaps finished the day with an 8-0 victory against the Universidad Autonoma de Chihuahua (UACH). The game was called via the run rule with one out in the bottom of the fifth inning. That's when Carly Weidenbach hit a soft grounder to the left side of the infield that turned into a RBI fielder's choice when Macias scored the game-clinching run from third.

Macias and starting pitcher Kristine Vargas combined for the four-hit shutout. It was a satisfactory ending to what was a telling weekend of softball for Midland College.

"We learned that we're better than what we've been playing," Ramos said. "I think they saw that this weekend. We're capable of playing at a high level. It's just about us being consistent."

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Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Otero's Jessica Romine makes the tag at second and throw to first as Midland College's Gee Estrada slides in Friday morning against Otero JC in the MC Spring Classic.

SPRINGCLASSIC

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Midland College Spring Classic Schedule
All games at Freddie Ezell Softball Complex

Western Nebraska 10, El Paso CC 1; Cisco 14, Clarendon College 2; Coastal Bend 9, Las Adelitas (Mexico) 0; Garden City 12, Vernon 1

Garden City 12, El Paso CC 6; Western Texas College 10, Luna 2; Odessa College 9, Vernon 1; Blinn 11, Howard College 5; Midland College 2, Otero 1

Cisco 10, Coastal Bend 4; Seminole 17, Western Texas College 1; Clarendon 11, Las Adelitas 2; Blinn 3, Odessa 2; Midland College 7, Western Nebraska 1

Seminole 9, Howard 5; Western Texas 7, Las Adelitas 1; Garden City 8, Vernon 2; Vernon 10, Coastal Bend 3; El Paso 8, Otero 5

Otero JC 7, Cisco College 6; Blinn College 13, Clarendon College 5; Howard College 8, Coastal Bend College 2; Seminole State 7, Odessa College 4; Midland College 10, Luna Community College 3

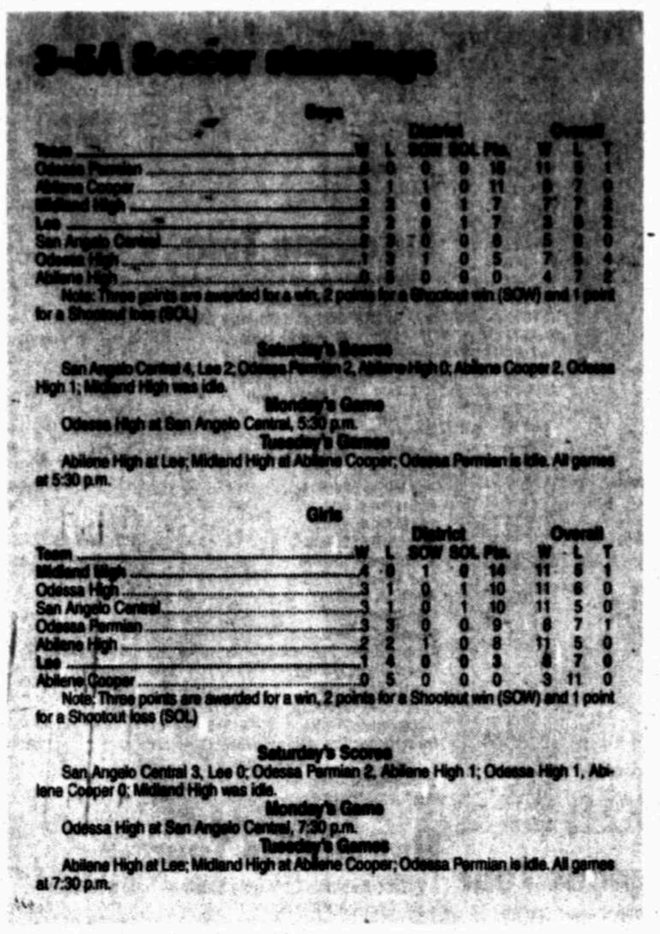
Saturday's Scores

Vernon 6, Otero 5; Cisco 8, Luna 1; Clarendon 9, Western Nebraska 6; Seminole 8, El Paso CC 1; Garden City 5, Odessa 3

Howard 13, Otero 1; Garden City 8, Coastal Bend 0; Vernon 11, Western Texas 3; Odessa 17, Western Nebraska 9; Midland 10, Blinn 6

Blinn 8, Western Texas 0; Seminole 9, Luna 0; Clarendon vs. Coastal Bend 8, Clarendon 7; Midland 14, Cisco 2; Howard 14, Las Adelitas 1

Midland 8, Las Adelitas 0



3-5A Senior standings

Boys

					District			Overall		
Team	W	L	SOW	SOL	Pts.	W	L	T
Midland High	4	0	1	0	13	11	0	0
Odessa Permian	4	0	1	0	13	11	0	0
Abilene High	3	1	0	1	10	11	0	0
San Angelo Central	3	1	0	1	10	11	5	0
Odessa Permian	2	2	0	0	6	7	7	1
Abilene High	1	3	0	0	3	11	5	0
Lee	1	3	0	0	3	7	9	0
Abilene Cooper	0	5	0	0	0	3	11	0

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Tuesday's Games

Abilene High at Lee; Midland High at Abilene Cooper; Odessa Permian is idle. All games at 7:30 p.m.

Girls

					District			Overall		
Team	W	L	SOW	SOL	Pts.	W	L	T
Midland High	4	0	1	0	13	11	0	0
Odessa High	4	0	1	0	13	11	0	0
San Angelo Central	3	1	0	1	10	11	5	0
Odessa Permian	2	2	0	0	6	7	7	1
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LADY REBELS

From 1C

Lee goalkeeper Kaitlin George thwarted at least two breakaway opportunities for the Lady Bobcats (11-5-0, 3-1-0-1, 10 points) in the second half, but Caitlin Buselli finished the scoring in the game's final minute as Lee was pressing for a score.

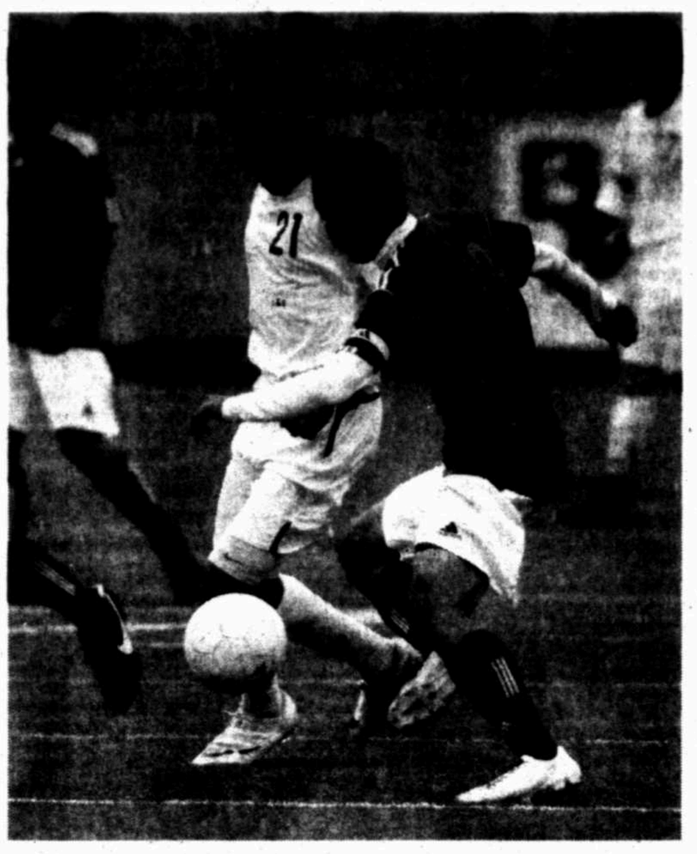
"I thought the girls played well, and there are still some points and keys as far as possession and some of our decisions in passing, and we will work on that and get better," Henry said. "But you can't gripe about getting a win here in Grande."

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Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Kendeal Stark (4) moves the ball away from San Angelo Central's Emily Guevara (15) on Saturday during their game at Grande Communications Stadium.



Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Darius Strangler (21) guards San Angelo Central's Ray Obena (13) on Saturday during their game at Grande Communications Stadium.

REBELS

From 1C

Trent Johnston in the 14th minute.

Late in the first half, though, Graham, who is Central's top scorer, found the back of the net on a low shot in the 31st minute and then four minutes later he headed in his second goal on an assist from Dan Nguyen. In that short span of time, Lee went from being ahead to down by a goal, 2-1.

"This was a huge game for us," said Central coach Tony Vu, whose team improved to 5-8-0 overall and 2-3-0-0 in District 3-5A with 6 points. "I knew Lee was a good team despite their overall record. We hadn't been playing bad but we were just making mistakes and allowing teams to score goals on us."

Central kept the pressure on in the second half when Brian Rodriguez scored on a loose ball inside the penalty box that Lee goalkeeper Juan Baeza had a hand on at one time. Lee coach Scott Hicks said the ball should have been called dead because it was kicked out of Baeza's hand, and he ended up with a broken finger.

Lee, though, responded to cut the lead to 3-2 on a Derek Sanchez header on a corner kick from Colyn Moore as Lee began pressuring Central's net. But even with the pressure, Lee could not get an equalizing goal.

"If our guys will learn to play an entire game like we did in the second half we will be fine," Hicks said. "We are still in this thing and not out of it completely. Yes, we had mental breakdowns, but we had a couple of chances to put some balls in the net and didn't get it done."

Graham put a punctuation mark on Central's second district victory in the 79th minute when he stopped an attempted pass by Lee's Brandon Estrada and broke free down the right side. Graham finished by sending a low shot past Baeza for a 4-2 Central lead.

That goal came after Lee had at least four corner kicks in the final three minutes but could not convert.

"That just took the pressure off and that gave us a two-goal lead because they were pressuring us right there at the end" Graham said. "It was good to get that goal. (This) win was really important, and we know we are closing the gap."

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Chaps sweep baseball doubleheader against Colby

From staff reports

Midland College swept a doubleheader at home Saturday against Colby (Kan.) Community College with a 6-2 win in the first seven-inning game and a 5-4 win in the second game, which went ten innings.

Levi Westerlund and Jake Bateman picked up wins on the day as MC improved to 6-3 on the season.

Westerlund was dominant in the first game, pitching a complete seven-inning game and allowing just two runs on three hits with one walk and three strikeouts.

Ethan Kohnle went 2-for-2 at the plate with an RBI and a run scored while a pair of local products, Steve Withrow of Midland Christian and Matt Reyes of Midland High, added an RBI each.

The second game went beyond a regular nine-inning game as MC overcame a three-run first by Colby, scoring two runs in the bottom of the seventh to send the game to extra innings with the score knotted up at four.

The teams went two and a half innings without a run before Patrick Lopez knocked in the game-winning run in the bottom of the 10th to score Jeremie Fagnan.

Lopez was 2-for-6 in the game and scored a run in addition to his game-winning RBI.

Bateman picked up the win for MC by allowing three hits in three shutout innings with just two walks.

MC (6-3) faces Seward County (Kan.) Community College in a doubleheader today at Christensen Stadium.

GAME 1
MIDLAND COLLEGE 6, COLBY (Kan.) 2

CO	101	000	0	—2	3	3
MC	101	031	0	—6	9	1

Postgate, Kaza and Sewn. Levi Westerlund and Steel Russell. W — Westerlund (2-0). L — Postgate. 2B — MC: Matt Reyes, Jeremie Fagnan, Tyler Barlow, Ethan Kohnle. 3B — MC: Russell.

GAME 2
MIDLAND COLLEGE 5, COLBY (Kan.) 4, 10 INNINGS

CO	300	100	000	0	—4	13	1
MC	020	000	200	1	—5	9	0

Chavez, Matusoff (7), Guzman (8) and Bauer, Johnson (9). Nick Saldis, Garhett Avery (4), Jake Bateman (8). W — Bateman (1-0). L — Guzman. 2B — Colby, Jones 2.

Record: 6-3

Next: Seward County (Kan.) Community College at Midland College (DH), noon today, Christensen Stadium.

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Mickelson takes share of the lead at Northern

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — One shot clipped an ash tree and kept Phil Mickelson out of worse trouble than he was in. Another landed behind a Bottle Brush, blocking his path to the 10th green at Riviera. On yet another hole, Mickelson had to thread a 9-iron through the limbs of five eucalyptus trees.

So when he walked into the gallery to find his tee shot on the 15th hole and saw a man flat on his back, Mickelson assumed the worst.

"It wouldn't be the first time, so I thought for sure I took him out," Mickelson said Saturday.

Instead, the spectator was being still because the ball was inside the hem of his shorts.

Despite all these adventures, Mickelson managed a 1-under 70 on Saturday to share the lead with PGA champion Keegan Bradley in the Northern Trust Open.

On a day when "routine par" was not part of his vocabulary, Phil was thrilled.

"This was a great round for me because I did not play well, and I shot 1-under par and I'm atop the leaderboard," Mickelson said. "Usually when I win, I'll have two good rounds and I'll have two rounds that aren't so great that I've got to keep somewhere in it to give myself a chance."

The last two days weren't his best. He still has a great chance to end his West Coast Swing with back-to-back wins.

The toughest part might be ahead of him.

Bradley took only five putts over the last five holes, including a 10-footer for par on the last hole that got him into the final group, for a 5-under 66 and his best chance at a win since he captured the PGA Championship in August.

GOLF ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

LPGA

LPGA THAILAND: At Chonburi, Thailand, Ai Miyazato shot a 7-under 65 to take a one-stroke lead over top-ranked Yani Tseng after the third round of the LPGA Thailand.

Miyazato, the Japanese player who won the 2010 tournament, birdied five of the first six holes on the back nine. She had a 14-under 202 total on Siam Country Club's Pattaya Old Course.

NEW ZEALAND WOMEN'S OPEN: At Christchurch, New Zealand, Australia's Lindsey Wright birdied the par-5 18th for a 4-under 68 and a one-stroke victory Sunday in the New Zealand Women's Open.

Wright finished at 10-under 206 at Pegasus Golf Club in the event sanctioned by the Ladies European Tour and Australian Ladies Professional Golf. The former Pepperdine player is a regular on the LPGA Tour.

Champions

ACE GROUP CLASSIC: At Naples, Fla., NAPLES, Fla. — Kenny Perry shot a 10-under 62 and break the Champions Tour's 36-hole scoring record with an 18-under 126 total in the ACE Group Classic.

Perry broke the record of 17 under held by six players. Of those, only Don Pooley in the 2006 MasterCard Championship in Hawaii failed to win. Tom Kite (2001 Gold Rush), Jim Ahern (2003 Music City Invitational), Langer (2007 Administaff Small Business Classic), Russ Cochran (2011 Mitsubishi Electric Championship), and Fred Couples (2011 AT&T Championship) also were 17 under.

PGA European

AVANTHA MASTERS: At New Delhi, South Africa's Jbe Kruger shot a 6-under 66 in the third round of the Avantha Masters to take a one-shot lead in the European Tour event.

Kruger had two eagles and two birdies in his bogey-free round to finish at 11-under 205. Germany's Marcel Siem (68), France's Jean-Baptiste Gonnet (69) and Scotland's Peter Whiteford (72) were tied for second.

HSGOLFROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

TRINITY'S MORROW WINS MEDALIST TITLE

FORT STOCKTON — Trinity's Trace Morrow had a consistent couple of rounds of golf at the Fort Stockton Invitational this weekend, allowing him to win the medalist title.

Morrow sat in a tie for third and three shots off the lead after shooting a 75 on Friday, but responded with a 76 Saturday, giving him a two-day total of 151 to win the event. Morrow's total was one stroke better than second-place G.K. Morrison and two strokes better third-place Hunter Montgomery.

Both Morrison and Montgomery, who led the field heading into the day, are from Andrews, and their performances spearheaded a team title for the Mustangs. Host Fort Stockton was second in the team standings, shooting a 652, which was well behind Andrews' winning total of 624. Midland High came in third with a score of 658, despite not having a player finish in the top 10 of the medalist standings.

Boys

Fort Stockton Invitational
Desert Pines Golf Course
Fort Stockton
Friday's Results

Team standings — 1. Andrews 306-318—624; 2. Fort Stockton 328-324—652; 3. Midland High 319-339—658; 4. Odessa Permian 337-325—662; 5. (tie) Midland Christian 348-329—677; Sonora 346-331—677; Levelland 331-346—677; 8. Pecos 341-341—682; 9. Trinity 340-353—693; 10. Crane 365-313—708; 11. Lee 362-347—709; 12. El Paso Eastwood 360-359—719; 13. Monahans 380-361—741; 14. El Paso Montwood 401-359—762; 15. Greenwood 383-400—783; 16. El Paso El Dorado 415-413—828; 17. Alpine 471-466—937; 18. Fort Stockton 2 481-484—965; 19. Van Horn 501-497—998.

Medalist standings: 1. Trace Morrow, Trinity, 75-76—151; 2. G.K. Morrison, Andrews, 79-73—152; 3. Hunter Montgomery, Andrews, 72-81—153; 4. Julian Gonzalez, El Paso Eastwood, 74-80—154; 5. (tie) Jacob Garcia, Wink, 81-74—155; Avery McCrury, Odessa Permian, 76-79—155; 7. Omar Ramirez, Fort Stockton, 76-80—156; 8. (tie) Josh Baltzell, 76-81—157; Jansen McBride, Sonora, 82-75—157; 10. Brandon Ezell, Fort Stockton, 77-81—158.

Team results

El Paso Montwood (401-359—762) — Chris Gomez 89-86—175, Josh Valtierra 94-84—178, Mario Carzoli 114-91—205, Carlo Syffert 106-98—204, Luis Garibay 112-108—220

Odessa Permian (337-325—662) — Anthony Marin 90-84—174, Eli Melendez 81-83—164, Avery McCrury 76-79—155, Austin Strahan 90-88—178, Jas Bowling 85-79—174

Fort Stockton 2 (481-484—965) — Raul Rodriguez 113-112—225, Andru Colorno 124-132—256, Michael Lujan 122-124—246, Aaron Rodriguez 122-116—238, Nicholas Lopez 136-136—272

Fort Stockton (328-324—652) — Omar Ramirez 76-80—156, Lance Luera 92-81—173, Brandon Ezell 77-81—158, Deric Dominguez 83-82—165, Zach Simons 100-111—211

Andrews (306-318—624) — G.K. Morrison 79-73—152, Hunter Montgomery 72-81—153, Josh Baltzell 76-81—157, Erik Walinder 79-83—162, Casey Fowler 82-84—166

Crane (395-313—708) — Derek Means 82-80—162, Colton King 95-NS—95, Jonathan Harrold 106-113—219, Matt Sanchez 112-120—232

Levelland (331-346—677) — Zane Stafford 75-86—161, Brecken Bain 81-82—163, Chance Logan 87-88—175, Dakota Kiser 86-90—176, Ethan Hill 93-94—187

Kermit — Lucas Gordon 91-86—177, Tyler Richardson 96-97—193, Juan Valenzuela 124-127—251

Greenwood (383-400—783) — Calvin Adams 92-92—184, Matt Rose 86-98—158, Sean Spicer 104-107—211, Colin Sullivan 103-102—205, Mason Fraley 102-120—222

El Paso Eastwood (360-359—719) — Julian Gonzalez 74-80—154, Steven Venegas 87-82—169, Joey Soule 94-96—190, Sebastian Mendoza 105-101—206, Zach Ruiz 113-102—215

Pecos (341-341—682) — Benny Molina 86-87—173, Larry Martinez 84-85—169, Dalton Gilstrap 82-86—168, Jared Windham 89-83—172, Trey Graham 92-92—184

Midland Christian (348-329—677) — Jacob Hibler 84-78—162, Josh Hollar 86-81—167, Reagan Brown 85-80—165, Ryan Tessaro 93-90—183

Alpine (471-466—937) — Chris Valenzuela 106-99—204, William Torres 102-110—212, Julio Martinez 109-117—226, Tyler Curtis 155-149—304, Matthew Chavez 154-141—295

Lee (362-347—709) — Nathan Salois 78-87—165, Brandon Chavez 86-91—179, Blake Loyd 90-88—176, Jase Rejon 106-85—191, Trey Cumbest NS-89—89

Monahans (380-361—741) — Pedro Cano 90-90—180, Tyler Smith 97-88—185, Jacob Lair 100-91—191, Andrew Hendricks 98-94—192, Kristian Crozier 95-92—187

Sonora (346-331—677) — Jansen McBride 82-75—157, Word Hudson 82-79—161, Jason Alaman 94-93—187, Hunter Hughes 88-84—172

Trinity (340-353—693) — Tracy Morrow 75-76—151, Jackson Willingham 79-91—170, Gage Morrow 86-83—169, Philip Beal 100-103—203, Weldon Boley 123-119—242

Wink — Jacob Garcia 81-74—155, JC Wilbourn 87-81—168, Casey Fugua 108-92—200

Eldorado (415-413—828) — Philip Kreisel 81-83—164, Nestor Diaz 117-108—225, Julian Estrada 123-113—236, Daniel Lopez 94-109—203, Roman Regalado 137-125—262

Van Horn (501-497—998) — Trevor Rivera 99-95—194, Ricky Corralez 138-125—263, Louie Balcazar 116-133—249, Kevin Seyffert 148-144—292

Iraan — Creed Cale 101-104—205, Weston Maxcey 98-90—188

Midland High (319-339—658) — Ben Taylor 83-87—170, Chris Tenbosery 78-85—163, Jake Gilmore 79-85—164, Kyle Logan 79-82—161, Jarid Larson 87-97—184

SNYDER INVITATIONAL RAINED OUT

SNYDER — The second round of the Snyder Invitational was rained out Saturday, meaning the teams and individuals with the top scores from Friday won the girls golf titles at the event.

Lee's Libby Thomas never got a chance to make up any ground on Abilene High's Mackenzie Curnutt, who won the event with a score of 76. Thomas was three strokes back at 79.

Abilene High also won the team title with a total score of 353. Lee was fifth at 375.

HSTENNISROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN FINISHES 2ND IN ODESSA

ODESSA — An all-Midland Christian final in the boys singles helped the Mustangs to a second-place finish in the overall team standings at the Odessa Invitational on Saturday.

Johnathan Dorman defeated his teammated Garrett Nelson in the boys singles championship, 6-3, 6-2, giving the Mustangs the top two places in the division.

To get to the championship match, Nelson knocked off Lee's Stephen Mangum, who ended up fourth in the division.

Midland Christian also got a second-place performance from boys doubles team Austin Rohwer and Austin Hedrick.

Lee finished fourth in the team standings, while Andrews took ninth and Big Spring placed 10th.

Team Standings

1. Permian, 253. 2. Midland Christian, 225. 3 Odessa High, 218. 4. Lee, 207. 5. Wolfforth Frenship, 183. 6. El Paso Eastwood, 180. 7. Lubbock Monterrey, 175. 8. Pecos, 170. 9 Andrews, 162. 10 Big Spring, 134. 11 Hobbs (N.M.), 108. 12. Lubbock Trinity, 106. 13. El Paso Bowie, 92. 14. Odessa High JV, 26. 15. Permian JV, 23. 16. Lee JV, 22.

Boys Singles
CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET
Semifinals

Nelson, Midland Christian, def. Mangum, Lee, 3-6, 6-4, 10-7. Dorman, Midland Christian, def. Ornelas, Pecos, 6-4, 4-6, 10-5

5th-Place Semfinals

Galavez, El Paso Eastwood, def. Byrd, Big Spring, 9-7. Brown, Andrews, def. Ayala, Odessa High, 8-4.

7th-Place Match

Byrd, Big Spring, def. Ayala, Odessa High, 8-3.

5th-Place Match

Galavez, Eastwood, def. Brown, Andrews.

3rd-Place Match

Ornelas, Pecos, def. Mangum, Lee. 9-7

Championship

Dorman, Midland Christian, def. Nelson, Midland Christian, 6-3, 6-2.

CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET CONSOLATION
9th-Place Semifinals

Humphrey, Lubbock Monterrey, def. Grano, Hobs, 8-4. Jones, Big Spring, def. Jeffries, Monterey, 9-8.

13th-Place Semifinals

Payne, Lubbock Trinity, def. Nash, Permian, 8-5. Rhyne, Permian, def. Beakley, Permian JV, 8-3.

15th-Place Match

Nash, Permian, def. Beakley, Permian JV, 8-6

13th-Place Match

Payne, Trinity, def. Rhyne, Permian, 9-8

11th-Place Match

Jeffries, Monterey, def. Grano, Andrews.

9th-Place Match

Jones, Big Spring, def. Humphrey, Monterey, 8-2.

CONSOLATION BRACKET
Semifinals

Lovett, Wolfforth Frenship, def. Martinez, Odessa High, 8-4. Myers, Eastwood, def. Webb, Lee, 8-5.

21st-Place Semifinals

Morales, Permian JV, def. Garbia, Pecos, 9-7. Oh, Frenship, def. Patel, Lee JV, 8-5.

23rd-Place Match

Patel, Lee JV, def. Garcia, Pecos, 9-8.

21st-Place Match

Oh, Frenship, def. Morales, Permian JV, 8-2.

19th-Place Match

Webb, Lee, def. Martinez, Odessa High, 8-3.

Final (17th place)

Myers, Eastwood, def. Lovett, Frenship

CONSOLATION BRACKET CONSOLATION
25th-Place Semifinals

Payton, Andrews, def. Luvaul, Odessa High JV, 8-4. Patel, Hobbs (N.M.), def. Miranda, El Paso Bowie, 8-3

29th-Place Semifinals

Owens, Lee JV, def. Lechuga, Bowie, 8-2. Rivera, Odessa High JV, def. Dyas, Trinity, 9-7.

31st-Place Match

Dyas, Trinity, def. Lechuga, Bowie, 8-1.

29th-Place Match

Owens, Lee JV, def. Rivera, Odessa High JV, 8-3.

27th-Place Match

Luvaul, Odessa High JV, def. Miranda, Bowie, 8-6.

25th-Place Match

Payton, Andrews, def. Patel, Hobbs, 8-3.

Girls Singles
CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET
Semifinals

Midkiff, Permian, def. Wagner, Monterey, 6-4, 4-6, 10-8; Seay, Hobbs, def. LeShaw, Odessa High, 6-3, 6-0

5th-Place Semfinals

Ornelas, Pecos, def. Gerstner, Lee, 8-4; Avila, Eastwood, def. Young, Permian, 8-4.

7th-Place Match

Young, Permian, def. Gerstner, Lee, 8-5.

5th-Place Match

Ornelas, Pecos, def. Avila, Eastwood, 8-4.

3rd-Place Match

Waagner, Monterey, def. LeShaw, Odessa High, 6-3, 6-4.

Championship

Seay, Hobbs, def. Midkiff, Permian, 6-3, 6-4

CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET CONSOLATION
9th-Place Semifinals

Ornelas, Odessa High, def. Mellot, Hobbs, 8-4; Peyton, Monterey, def. Belaire, Pecos, 8-2.

13th-Place Semfinals

Hernandez, Bowie, def. Bell, Midland Christian, 8-5; Kiker, Lee JV, def. Shaver, Trinity, 8-3.

15th-Place Match

Shaver, Trinity, def. Bell, Midland Christian, 8-2.

13th-Place Match

Kiker, Lee JV, def. Hernandez, Bowie, 8-3.

11th-Place Match

Melot, Hobbs, def. Belaire, Pecos, 9-7.

9th-Place Match

Peyton, Monterey, def. Ornelas, Odessa High, 8-3

CONSOLATION BRACKET
Semifinals

Brown, Frenship, def. Jimnez, Eastwood, 8-3. Alvarado, Odessa High JV, def. Kendall, Frenship, 8-4.

21st-Place Semifinals

Newton, Big Spring, def. Salazar, Odessa High JV, 8-5. Stuffs, Midland Christian, def. Kopez, Permian JV, 8-4

23rd-Place Match

Salazar, Odessa High JV, def. Lopez, Permian JV, 8-5.

21st-Place Match

Stubbs, Midland Christian, def. Newton, Big Spring, 8-0

19th-Place Match

Jimenez, Eastwood, def. Kendall, Frenship, 8-6.

Final (17th place)

Brown, Frenship, def. Alvarado, Odessa High JV, 8-5.

CONSOLATION BRACKET CONSOLATION
25th-Place Semifinals

Sheldon, Lee JV, def. Duzan, Andrews, 8-4. Trevino, Andrews, def. Walker, Big Spring, 9-7.

29th-Place Semifinals

Bohannon, Permian JV, def. St. Clair, Trinity, 8-3. Pruski, Lee JV, def. Lazalde, Bowie, 8-2.

31st-Place Match

St. Clair, Trinity, def. Lazalde, Bowie, 8-1.

29th-Place Match

Bohannon, Permian JV, def. Pruski, Lee JV, 9-8.

27th-Place Match

Duzan, Andrews, def. Walker, Big Spring, 8-2.

25th-Place Match

Sheldon, Lee JV, def. Trevino, Andrews, 8-6.

Mixed Doubles
CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET
Semifinals

Durell-Haynes, Pittman, def. Morton-Smith, Odessa High, 7-5, 0-6, 10-8. Alfaro-Anderson, Eastwood, def. Albert-Williams, Lee, 7-5; 2-6, 12-10.

5th-Place Semifinals

Odorizzi-McClellan, Frenship, def. Treadwell-Hurtado 8-6; Brokaw-Rosero, Permian, def. Blau-Watts, Odessa High, 8-3.

7th-Place Match

Treadwell-Hurtado, Monterey, def. Blau-Watts, Odessa High, 8-2.

5th-Place Match

Brokaw-Rosero, Permian, def. Odorizzi-McClellan, Frenship.

3rd-Place Match

Morton-Smith, Odessa High, def. Alberts-Williams 7-6, 2-6, 10-6

Championship

Alfaro-Anderson, Eastwood, def. Durell-Haynes, Permian, 7-6, 2-6, 10-5.

CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET CONSOLATION
9th-Place Semifinals

Hsu-Sherlick, Lee, def. Payton-Hatchcock, Andrews, 8-5, Starr-Tisdale, Frenship, def. Davis-Nixon, Monterey, 8-2.

13th-Place Semfinals

Hughes-Rodlin, Big Spring, def. Martinez-Martinez, Pecos, 8-3; Romero-Mares, Hobbs, def. Hinesley-Angivekala, Odessa High JV, 8-4.

15th-Place Match

Hinesley-Angivekata, Odessa High JV, def. Martinez-Martinez, Pecos, 9-7.

13th-Place Match

Hughes-Radlin, Big Spring, def. Romero-Mares, Hobbs, 8-3.

11th-Place Match

Payton-Haynes, Andrews, def. Davis-Nixon, Monterey, 8-5.

9th-Place Match

Hsu-Sherlick, Lee, def. Starr-Tisdale, Frenship.

CONSOLATION BRACKET
Semifinals

Figel-Warpula, Midland Christian, def. Balda-Rodger, Eastwood, 8-2; Alaniz-Cortinas, Andrews, def. Edwards-Parnell, Lee JV, 8-3.

21st-Place Semifinals

Talley-Ortega, Permian JV, def. Patel-Turnbautes, Hobbs, 8-6; Smelsor-Hubert, Permian JV, def. Johnson-Kellogg, Midland Christian, 8-4.

23rd-Place Match

Patel-Turnbautes, Hobbs, def. Johnson-Kellogg, Midland Christian, 8-5.

21st-Place Match

Talley-Ortega, Permian JV, def. Smelson-Hubert, Permian JV, 8-6.

19th-Place Match

Edwards-Parnell, Lee JV, def. Balda-Rodger, Eastwood, 8-6.

Final (17th place)

Alaniz-Cortinnas, Andrews, def. Figel-Warpula, Midland Christian

CONSOLATION BRACKET CONSOLATION
25th-Place Semifinals

Kidwell-Jones, Lee JV, def. Salazar-Cuevas, Bowie, 9-7. Rangel-Norman, Big Spring, def. Ramirez-Molina, Bowie, 8-6.

27th-Place Match

Ramirez-Molina, Bowie, def. Salazar-Cuevas, Bowie, 8-2.

25th-Place Match

Kidwell-Jones, Lee JV, def. Rangel-Norman, Big Spring, 8-6.

Boys Doubles
CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET
Semifinals

Hunt-Hunt, Permian, def. Nelson-Conley, Midland Christian, 6-1, 6-0; Rohwer-Hedrick, Midland Christian, def. Johnson-Shaw, Trinity, 7-5, 6-2.

5th-Place Semfinals

Garza-Ferguera, Big Spring, def. Doyle-Snell, Andrews, 8-2; Koffman-Sellers, Permian, def. Nayak-Lingnau, Andrews, 8-1.

7th-Place Match

Doyle-Snell, Andrews, def. Nayak-Lingnau, Andrews, 9-7.

5th-Place Match

Garza-Ferguera, Big Spring, def. Koffman-Sellers, Permian, 8-3.

3rd-Place Match

Nelson-Conley, Midland Christian, def. Johnson-Shaw, Trinity, default.

Championship

Hunt-Hunt, Permian, def. Rohwer-Hedrick, Midland Christian, 6-3, 6-1.

CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET CONSOLATION
9th-Place Semifinals

Castillo-Lozano, Pecos, def. Ramirez-Lozanan, Bowie, 8-3; Ng-Cartwright, Frenship, def. Foshee-Hernandez, Odessa High, 8-2.

13th-Place Semfinals

Tacker-Hernandez, Odessa High, def. Shaw-Miller, Trinity, 8-5. Thetford-Bolba, Monterey, def. Albert-Lynch, Lee, 8-4.

15th-Place Match

Albert-Lynch, Lee, def. Shaw-Miller, Trinity, 13th-Place Match

Thetford-Bolba, Monterey, def. Tacker-Hernandez, Odessa High, 8-3.

11th-Place Match

Ramirez-Lozanan, Bowie, def. Foshee-Hernandez, Odessa High, 8-2

9th-Place Match

Castillo-Lozano, Pecos, def. Ng-Cartwright, Frenship, 8-3.

CONSOLATION BRACKET
Semifinals

Simmons-Hulder, Lee, def. Starr-Benson, Frenship, 8-1; Franks-Gowler, Midland Christian JV, def. Diaz-Guerrero, Bowie, 8-5.

21st-Place Semifinals

Pardo-Moreno, Eastwood, def. Rosero-Torres, Permian JV, default; Avant-Yarbar, Big Spring, def. Ponce-Mendez, Eastwood, 8-2.

21st-Place Match

Avant-Yarbar, Big Spring, def. Pardo-Moreno, Eastwood, 9-7.

19th-Place Match

Diaz-Guerrero, Bowie, def. Starr-Benson, Frenship.

Final (17th place)

Simmons-Hulder, Lee, def. Franks-Gowler, Midland Christian JV, 8-5.

CONSOLATION BRACKET CONSOLATION
25th-Place Semifinals

Gonzales-Salmon, Hobbs, def. Jeggerson-Geist, Monterey, 8-5; Scoonover-Spears, Hobbs, def Samanigo-Lugan, Permian JV, 8-6.

29th-Place Semifinal

Clark-Garnett, Lee JV, def. Diaz-Areves, Bowie, 8-0.

29th-Place Match

Olivas-Garcia, Odessa High JV, def. Clark-Garnett, Lee JV, 8-5.

27th-Place Match

Samanigo-Lugan, Permian JV, Jefferson-Geist, Monterey, 9-7.

25th-Place Match

Gonzalesl-Salmon, Hobbs, def. Scoonover-Spears, Hobbs, 8-5.

Girls Doubles
CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET
Semifinals

Greene-Greene, Eastwood, def. Rubia-Paz, Lee, 6-2, 6-0; Dennis-Meliot, Hobbs, def. Graham-Waagner, Monterey, 6-2, 3-6, 10-5.

5th-Place Semifinals

Kahn-Taylor, Frenship, def. Garcia-Gomez, Andrews, 8-4; Baeza-Salinas, Andrews, def Carlson-Haynes, Permian, 9-8.

7th-Place Match

Carlson-Haynes, Permian, def. Garcia-Gomez, Andrews, 8-3.

5th-Place Match

Baeza-Salinas, Andrews, def. Kahn-Taylor, Frenship, 8-1.

3rd-Place Match

Graham-Waagner, Monterey, def. Rubia-Paz, Lee, 6-3, 6-2.

Championship

Greene-Greene, Eastwood, def. Dennis-Meliot, Hobbs, 6-4, 6-3.

CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET CONSOLATION
9th-Place Semifinals

Lopez-Brokaw, Permian, def. Orras-Albe, Odessa High, 8-3; Wight-Vaughan, Midland Christian, def. Vargas-Galindo, Pecos, 9-8.

13th-Place Semfinals

Johnson-Smith, Big Spring, def. McKay-Cruz, Monterey, 8-5. Casino-Wagonear, Big Spring, def. Pelkert-Paris, Trinity, 8-0.

15th-Place Match

McKay-Cruz, Monterey, def. Pelkert-Paris, Trinity, 8-1.

13th-Place Match

Johnson-Smith, Big Spring, def. Casino-Wagonear, Big Spring, 8-5.

11th-Place Match

Orras-Albe, Odessa High, def. Vargas-Galindo, Pecos, 9-8.

9th-Place Match

Wight-Vaughan, Midland Christian, def. Lopez-Brokaw, Permian, 9-8.

CONSOLATION BRACKET
Semifinals

Mcinar-Garcia, Odessa High, def. Keese-McKinney, Midland Christian, 8-4. Newton-Cordova, Lee, def. Gant-Grice, Frenship, 8-5.

21st-Place Semifinals

Valenzuela-Machuca, Pecos, def. Molina-Favela, Bowie, 8-2; Moore-Richarson, Lee JV, def. Ramos-Viramontes, Bowie, 8-0.

23rd-Place Match

Molina-Favela, Bowie, def. Ramos-Viramontes, Bowie, 8-2.

21st-Place Match

Moore-Richardson, Lee JV, def. Valenzuela, Machuca, Pecos, 8-1.

19th-Place Match

Keese-McKinney, Midland Christian, def. Gant-Grice, Frenship, 8-6.

Final (17th place)

Newton-Cordova, Lee, def. Molinar-Garcia, Odessa High, 8-4.

CONSOLATION BRACKET CONSOLATION
25th-Place Semifinals

White-Porras, Hobbs, def. Lafoy-Lafoy, Lee JV, 8-5; Hernandez-Serrano, Eastwood, def. Cirilio-Manales, Odessa High, 8-6.

29th-Place Match

Roberts-Bagley, Permian JV, def. Pham-Limey, Permian JV, 9-8.

27th-Place Match

Cirilio-Manales, Odessa High, def. Lafoy-Lafoy, Lee JV, 8-2.

25th-Place Match

White-Porras, Hobbs, def. Hernandez-Serrano, Eastwood, 8-2.

HSSOFTBALL

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MIDLAND HIGH GOES 2-2 IN RAINED OUT TOURNEY

BRYAN — The Midland High softball team traveled all the way to Bryan to play in a tournament, and nothing was going to keep the Lady Bulldogs from playing a few games. Not even a little rain.

The Bryan Tournament, which typically features more than 30 teams in a bracket format, was almost completely rained out this weekend. The teams that decided to stick around played some impromptu games.

The Lady Bulldogs ended up splitting four games, winning two and losing two. All but one of those games were decided by a single run with the other having a two-run deficit.

Midland High opened with a 1-0 loss against Rusk on Thursday night before coming back Friday to knock off Clement, 4-3. Madison Garcia was the winning pitcher. Clement scored two in the first and held that lead until the fourth inning when MHS scored three and added another in the fifth.

The Lady Dawgs ended Friday with a 6-4 loss to Montgomery before closing out the tournament with a 4-3 victory against Kennedale. Stefani Baeza was the winning pitcher, while Megan O'Valle bunted in the winning run.

The Lady Dawgs (3-2) play at Monahans at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday.

HSTRACK

FROM STAFF REPORTS

SCHOOL RECORDS FALL FOR MCS IN LUBBOCK

LUBBOCK — The Midland Christian track team brought home a pair of gold medals and set a few school records at the Wes Kittley High School Meet at Texas Tech's Athletic Training Center.

Senior David Parkhurst, who was on the basketball court Friday, stepped onto the track and set a school record in the high jump en route to a gold medal with a 6-foot, 3-inch performance.

Sophomore Kami Berryhill also set a school record in the pole vault, clearing 11-06 and taking gold in the event.

Freshman sprinter Kenzi McGraw made the most of her first high school track meet, breaking the school record in the 60 meters (7.7 seconds) and 200 meters (27.0 seconds).

Senior Taylor Ochs brought home a bronze medal and broke a school indoor record in the 800 meters, while sophomore Emma Tamplin broke school records in the mile and 300 meters.

Ochs added a second bronze medal as he teamed with Tanner Dobbs, Landon Lacy and Zach Bates to finish third in the 1,600 relay.

Both the MCS boys and girls track team compete next weekend in the Comanche Relays at Fort Stockton.

TRINITY'S FARRIS TAKES 3,000-METERS TITLE IN LUBBOCK

LUBBOCK— Trinity junior Christian Farris added another medal to his illustrious collection, winning the 3,000 meters in the Wes Kittley High School Meet at Texas Tech's Athletic Training Center on Saturday.

Farris finished the race in 9 minutes, 10.25 seconds to secure the gold. He also placed fourth in the 1,600 meters with a time of 4:42.

Jason Hiigemeier was sixth in the 400 meters with a mark of 51.69 seconds.

Trinity returns to action in two weeks at the Tall City Invitational at Memorial Stadium.

UTPBROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

UTPB WOMEN DROP HEARTBREAKER TO NEWMAN

WICHITA, Kan. – Newman's Alina Voronenko made a layup with nine seconds left which eventually led Newman to a 69-67 win over the UTPB women's basketball team. The Jets have clinched at least a share of the Heartland Conference regular season title for the second-straight season.

The Jets rode the back of Santoria Bell, who led all scorers with 32 points as well as Tasha Cannon's 10. Tammy Acosta kept the Falcons close with 17 points while Teisha King finished with 11.

The Falcons have secured a spot in the upcoming Heartland Conference Tournament that will be held in Wichita, Kan. if Newman wins its remaining conference matchup. UTPB will host St. Edward's next Saturday in the regular-season finale at Falcon Dome.

FALCONS HAVE WIN STREAK SNAPPED

WICHITA, Kan. – The University of Texas of the Permian Basin men's basketball team had its six-game win streak snapped as Newman took a 57-43 victory against the Falcons on Saturday. UTPB is still fighting for a spot in the upcoming Heartland Conference Tournament as it now sits at 6-6 in league play.

Branden Harrison was the go-to player for the Falcons as he put in a team-high 12 points..

The Falcons are now 13-13 overall and will host Dallas Baptist at 7 p.m. Monday at Falcon Dome.

ST. MARY'S SWEEPS FIRST TWO GAMES OF SERIES

St. Mary's pounded out 21 hits in two games to sweep the first two games of a three-game series agaisnt University of Texas of the Permian Basin, winning the first 9-0 before taking a 4-1 victory in the second.

The two teams will play the third and final game at 1 p.m. today at Roden Field.

Flyweight Esparza wins US women's boxing trials

By Greg Beacham
Associated Press

AIRWAY HEIGHTS, Wash. — Marlen Esparza, Queen Underwood and Claressa Shields won the first U.S. Olympic team trials for women's boxing on Saturday night, advancing to the world championships for a chance to fight at the London Games.

Esparza captured the flyweight title with a 32-17 victory over Tyrieshia Douglas, and Underwood beat Mikaela Mayer 22-19 to win the lightweight division. Shields, the 16-year-old sensation of the tournament, capped the weeklong event with a 23-18 victory over Tika Hemingway to claim the middleweight title at the Pend Oreille Pavilion in the Northern Quest resort-casino just outside Spokane.

"I've been waiting for this day forever," Esparza said. "This is where all that hard work pays off."

While Esparza and Underwood posted decisive victories, Shields sweated through a difficult bout after powering past her first three opponents. All three winners finished the week unbeaten in the first U.S. team trials since women's boxing was added to the Olympic program nearly three years ago.

"Five points, 50 points, it doesn't matter," Shields said. "I won."

The three Americans still must finish in the top eight in their weight classes at the world championships in China in May to earn a spot in the first Olympic women's boxing tournament.

The 27-year-old Underwood finished the tournament with her best performance, a fitting cap to a resilient week for the best-known American boxer. Underwood is a five-time national champion who also put her life on hold to pursue her sport, working construction to pay bills during periods when she wasn't immersed in 12-hour training sessions.

The sellout crowd was behind the Seattle native, stomping on the floor and chanting "Queen! Queen! Queen!" while Underwood took apart Mayer with brutally effective shots from all angles. The final margin was smaller than expected, but Underwood had little doubt, raising one ringer in anticipation of the verdict.

NBA ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

SPURS 103, CLIPPERS 100

LOS ANGELES — Gary Neal hit key 3-pointers in regulation and overtime, Tony Parker scored 30 points and the San Antonio Spurs held off the Los Angeles Clippers 103-100 on Saturday for their NBA-leading 10th consecutive victory.

Neal stole the ball and hit the tying 3-pointer with 5.7 seconds left in regulation, and his 3 with 25 seconds to go in overtime snapped a 98-a-[illegible] tie. He finished with 17 points.

GRIZZLIES 104, WARRIORS 103

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Tony Allen scored on a tip-in with 5.6 seconds left to lift Memphis past Golden State for its fourth straight victory.

Allen scored after Rudy Gay missed a shot to the right of the lane. Memphis also won off a miss from Gay on Friday night, beating Denver 103-102 on Dante Cunningham's tip.

NETS 97, BULLS 85

CHICAGO (AP) — Deron Williams scored 29 points, Kris Humphries had 24 points and 18 rebounds, and New Jersey beat Chicago to snap an eight-game losing streak.

Chicago's Derrick Rose missed his fifth straight game because of back pain, and the Nets took advantage, jumping out to a 22-3 lead while rolling to their first victory since Feb. 1.

NHL ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

COYOTES 2, STARS 1, OT

GLENDALE, Ariz. — Radim Vrbata scored his career-high 28th goal 1:15 into overtime, Mike Smith stopped 30 shots, and Phoenix earned a point in its eighth straight game by beating Dallas.

Mikkel Boedker scored his first goal in 21 games, and Smith withstood a flurry of shots in the third period after having a long scoreless streak end. Vrbata netted his 10th game-winning goal of the season.

Michael Ryder scored his 22nd goal, and Kari Lehtonen had 31 saves for Dallas, which played without leading scorer Jamie Benn.

PENGUINS 6, FLYERS

PHILADELPHIA — Dustin Jeffrey scored a go-ahead goal 37 seconds into the third period, Matt Cooke had two goals, and the Pittsburgh Penguins beat the Philadelphia Flyers 6-4 on Saturday.

Jordan Staal, Pascal Dupuis and James Neal also scored goals for the Penguins, who moved into a tie with Philadelphia for fourth place in the Eastern Conference.

BLACKHAWKS 6, BLUE JACKETS 1

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Jonathan Toews and Patrick Sharp both had a goal and two assists, and Chicago finished a nine-game trip with a victory over Columbus.

Patrick Kane added a goal and an assist, and Viktor Stalberg also scored. Stalberg has eight goals in five games against Columbus this season — matching his total against the rest of the NHL in 51 games.

BLUES 4, WILD 0

ST. LOUIS — Barret Jackman broke an NHL-high, 150-game scoreless drought, and Brian Elliott made 13 saves to lift St. Louis past Minnesota.

The Blues won for the sixth time in seven games and gained points in a franchise-record 21st straight home game. St. Louis earned its league-best 26th home win (26-3-4).

LIGHTNING 2, CAPITALS 1

TAMPA, Fla. — Steven Stamkos scored his NHL-leading 40th goal of the season and Tampa Bay beat Washington.

The 22-year old Stamkos became the first Lightning player to have three consecutive seasons of at least 40 goals when he scored 1:50 into the second period. Tom Pyatt also scored, and Mathieu Garon made 23 saves for the Lightning.

ISLANDERS 4, HURRICANES 3

UNIONDALE, N.Y. — John Tavares took advantage of Carolina again, notching two goals and an assist in the Islanders' victory that completed New York's four-game season sweep of the Hurricanes.

Kevin Poulin made 33 saves for the Islanders (25-25-8), who pulled within six points of eighth-place Toronto in the Eastern Conference playoff race.

CANUCKS 6, MAPLE LEAFS 2

VANCOUVER, British Columbia — Alex Burrows and Daniel and Henrik Sedin combined for 10 points in Vancouver's thrashing of Toronto.

Burrows scored two goals, Daniel Sedin had a goal and three assists, and twin brother Henrik added four assists. The Sedins' outburst came after both had gone three games without a point.



Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

Brad Barnes, left, sits in while Mixed Martial Arts Instructor Bruno Bastos demonstrates a submission move Saturday during Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu seminar at Rhino BJJ.

Bastos wants to grow MMA in West Texas

By Ruben Ochoa
MRT Correspondent

For a World Champion like Bruno Bastos, taking on new challenges has driven him to great success in the fight world.

His accolades include a third-degree Brazilian Jiu Jitsu black belt, being a three-time World Cup champion and a 10-time Brazilian champion. It would be easy for a guy with those accomplishments to rest on his laurels, but despite all his success, he continues to help the sport grow with his coaching.

Bastos is the newest coaching addition at Rhino BJJ and during a seminar on Saturday he let it be known that he is here to take on the challenge of growing the sport in West Texas.

"We're working together so that all of West Texas has a high level of Jiu-Jitsu," Bastos said. "Hope that people enjoy it and come train with us. I like this relaxed lifestyle of no stress and pretty simple life its about home and Jiu-Jitsu. I'm not a night club guy so being in Midland is no problem."

Bastos' clinic included a variety of mixed martial arts strongholds such as submissions, sweeps and back attacks.

Brad Barnes, who is the owner of Rhino BJJ, assisted Bastos during the seminar and said that he's learned new ways to apply moves.

"Every time he does something I'm noticing a technical difference," Barnes said. "It helps to learn from as many angles as possible."

Barnes added that he was thrilled to be able to add the knowledge that Bastos brings to Rhino BJJ.

"He wanted a change of scenery and wants to bring awareness to the sport and be able to build up a reputation for West Texas," Barnes said. "We have an open door policy, if anybody wants to come in and train and learn they are welcome here. We didn't bring in a world champion to keep him a secret. We brought him out here to help us grow and help the sport grow in West Texas and if anybody wants to get knowledge he's right here."

Clay Hantz the 24/7 welterweight champion attended the seminar and has used Bastos as his coach at Octagon MMA in Dallas.

"Bruno Bastos is my Jiu-Jitsu coach and has been for almost two years, that's why I moved to Dallas so I could train with him," Hantz said. "So its kind of funny that he comes to Midland after I moved up there, but that's fine I've got family here so it gives me all the more reason to come back."

Hantz, a Midland Christian graduate, added that Bastos bringing his experience to the area is a huge deal for the West Texas MMA community.

"He is a fantastic coach. He is a world class Jiu-Jitsu fighter and coach," Hantz said. "He coaches all over the world and has competed at the highest level in every Jiu-Jitsu event and has excelled at every one. So to have his level of Jiu-Jitsu in the Midland-Odessa area is huge for this area as this area has never been exposed to the type of talent, experience and teaching that Bruno Bastos will bring to this area."

SEMINAR NOTES: Hantz announced that he has a fight on March 17 for Universal Fight League in Irving against Garrett Gross. ...For more information on Rhino BJJ go to www.rhinobjj.com

Kyle Busch edges Stewart to win Shootout

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — The pack is back. And so is the Big One.

Kyle Busch edged Tony Stewart in a thrilling finish to the first race of 2012, using a sling-shot pass Saturday night on the last lap of the exhibition Budweiser Shootout to beat the defending NASCAR champion to the checkered flag.

It gave Busch a victory in a wild race that included two incredible saves by the eventual winner to stay in contention in the 75-lap sprint around Daytona International Speedway.

"I don't know how many times I spun out, but I didn't spin out, you know?" smiled Busch, who gave Toyota its first Shootout victory.

The event was a preview of next weekend's season-opening Daytona 500, and showed that NASCAR has successfully broken up the two-car tandem racing that dominated restrictor-plate racing last year. Fans were overwhelmingly opposed to that style of racing — NASCAR said earlier this month surveys showed over 80 percent of those polled hated the tandem — and the sanctioning body worked hard through the offseason to develop a rules package that would separate the cars.

It was obvious at the start that the new rules worked as the drivers were lumped into a big pack and raced two-and-three wide for almost the entire race. Although it led to two big accidents — including an accident that sent Jeff Gordon skidding on his roof for what he said was the first time in his career — the drivers were nearly unanimous in their approval of the racing.

"I actually had fun racing at Daytona again, which I haven't had for a while," said Stewart, who was beat by .013 seconds — the blink of an eye — to the finish line.

"I don't know what the consensus is from everybody else, but I had more fun as a driver tonight than what we've had in the past."

Dale Earnhardt Jr., a strong critic of the tandem racing, also was thrilled with the new product despite having his night ruined in one of the many accidents.

"I like this kind of racing better. At least I know what to expect," he said. "And I feel like I've got a better chance with this style than I did last year."

The first multi-car accident was a mere nine laps into the race, and began when David Ragan nudged Paul Menard to trigger the nine-car pileup.

A later wreck with two laps remaining sent Gordon sliding on his roof for roughly 1,000 feet. The four-time NASCAR champion ultimately climbed out the window with his car still upside down, but, like Earnhardt, praised the racing.

"It's pretty wild and crazy, but I liked this better than what we had last year. Definitely," he said.



Terry Renna/AP

Kyle Busch celebrates in victory lane after winning the NASCAR Budweiser Shootout at Daytona International Speedway on Saturday in Daytona Beach, Fla.

TOP25ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

NO. 1 KENTUCKY 77, MISSISSIPPI 62

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Terrence Jones had 15 points and 11 rebounds to lead No. 1 Kentucky to a 77-62 victory over Mississippi on Saturday, the Wildcats' 50th consecutive win at home.

The Wildcats (26-1, 11-0 Southeastern Conference) are 49-0 at home under head coach John Calipari as part of the nation's longest active home winning streak.

NO. 17 MICHIGAN 56, NO. 6 OHIO ST. 51

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Jordan Morgan had 11 points and 11 rebounds, playing All-American Jared Sullinger to a stalemate as Michigan topped Ohio State to remain unbeaten at home.

Trey Burke scored 17 points and Tim Hardaway Jr. added 13 for the Wolverines (20-7, 10-4 Big Ten), who improved to 15-0 at the Crisler Center by snapping a six-game losing streak to their longtime rivals.

NO. 8 NORTH CAROLINA 74, CLEMSON 52

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — Harrison Barnes scored 24 points and Tyler Zeller added 14 to help North Carolina beat Clemson.

The Tar Heels (23-4, 10-2 Atlantic Coast Conference) improved to 56-0 all-time against Clemson (13-13, 5-7) in Chapel Hill — a record for consecutive home wins over one opponent.

NO. 10 GEORGETOWN 63, PROVIDENCE 53

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Hollis Thompson and Jason Clark scored 13 points each and Georgetown shut down Providence's shooters for the second time this season.

The Friars made just 14 of 54 field goals (25.9 percent). In the previous meeting Dec. 31, they hit only 13 attempts and shot 25.5 percent in a 49-40 loss.

NEW MEXICO 65, NO. 11 UNLV 45

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — Drew Gordon scored a career-high 27 points and grabbed 20 rebounds to lead New Mexico to its seventh straight victory with a win over UNLV.

It was the second win this week over a ranked team for the Lobos (22-4, 8-2 Mountain West), who beat No. 13 San Diego State 77-67 on Thursday.

NO. 12 MARQUETTE 79, CONNECTICUT 64

HARTFORD, Conn. — Jae Crowder had 29 points and 12 rebounds to help Marquette beat UConn and remain in position for a double bye in next month's Big East tournament.

Darius Johnson-Odom added 24 points for Marquette (22-5, 11-3 Big East), which won for the 10th time 11 games.

AIR FORCE 58, NO. 13 SAN DIEGO ST. 56

AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. — Michael Lyons scored 27 points and Air Force upset San Diego State when Xavier Thames' off-balance 3-point attempt fell short at the buzzer.

The Falcons (13-11, 3-7 Mountain West) won for just the second time in 74 games against a Top 25 team. They also beat then-No. 22 UTEP on Feb. 15, 1992.

NO. 14 FLORIDA 98, ARKANSAS 68

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — Erving Walker scored a career-high 31 points and Florida ended Arkansas' perfect home record.

The Gators (21-6, 9-3 Southeastern Conference) shot a season-high 58.3 percent (28 of 48) from the field, hitting 13 of 23 from 3-point range.

NO. 16 MURRAY ST. 65, NO. 21 SAINT MARY'S 51

MURRAY, Ky. — Isaiah Canaan scored 17 of his 23 points in the second half as Murray State beat Saint Mary's for its most convincing win over a nationally recognized opponent.

The Racers (26-1) have already clinched the Ohio Valley Conference regular-season title, but were still short of victories over quality opponents since beating Memphis in early December before hosting this Bracket Buster matchup with the Gaels.

NO. 19 LOUISVILLE 90, DEPAUL 82, OT

ROSEMONT, Ill. — Russ Smith hit back-to-back baskets in overtime and Louisville rallied from an early 17-point deficit to beat DePaul for its seventh win in eight games.

Kyle Kuric scored 25 points, Chris Smith added 20 and Russ Smith 16 to lead the Cardinals (21-6, 9-5 Big East), who trailed by 10 at the half.

DePaul (11-15, 2-12) has now lost 36 straight games against ranked opponents. The Blue Demons have lost 11 of their last 12.

Brandon Young scored 27 points and Cleveland Melvin chipped in with 14 points and 10 rebounds for DePaul.

NO. 20 FLORIDA ST. 76, N.C. STATE 62

RALEIGH, N.C. — Ian Miller scored 17 points and Bernard James had 12 to lead Florida State past North Carolina State.

Okaro White and Michael Snaer each finished with 10 points for the Seminoles (19-7, 10-2 Atlantic Coast Conference), who led by double figures for the entire second half.

NO. 22 VIRGINIA 71, MARYLAND 44

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — Mike Scott scored 25 points and Virginia took command with a 16-0 run early in the second half to beat Maryland.

Malcolm Brogdon added 14 points and Sammy Zeglinski 11 for the Cavaliers (20-6, 7-5 Atlantic Coast Conference), who ended their first two-game losing streak of the season.

NO. 23 NOTRE DAME 74, VILLANOVA 70

PHILADELPHIA — Pat Connaughton scored 21 points, Jack Cooley had 18 points and 13 rebounds, and Notre Dame erased a 20-point deficit in an overtime victory over Villanova.

Eric Atkins scored 17 points to help the Fighting Irish (19-8, 11-3 Big East) win their eighth straight game. The Irish made nine of their 12 3-pointers after halftime to send Villanova to its fifth loss in six games.

SAN FRANCISCO 66, NO. 24 GONZAGA 65

SAN FRANCISCO — Rashad Green scored on a short leaner with 3.3 seconds left to lift San Francisco to a win over Gonzaga.

Green finished with 16 points, Perris Blackwell added 14 points and 10 rebounds, and Michael Williams scored 13 for the Dons (18-11, 8-7 West Coast Conference), who have beaten the Bulldogs each of the past three seasons at home.

NO. 24 WICHITA ST. 91, DAVIDSON 74

DAVIDSON, N.C. — Joe Ragland scored 30 points and Wichita State shot a blazing 80 percent in the second half to break open a tight game and beat Davidson.

Ragland, a senior, hit 11 of 14 shots from the field and all five free throws to finish one point shy of his career high set earlier this season against UNLV.

Women

ST. JOHN'S 57, NO. 2 CONNECTICUT 56

STORRS, Conn. — Shenneika Smith's 3-pointer from the wing with 8 seconds left lifted St. John's to a 57-56 win over No. 2 Connecticut on Saturday night, snapping the Huskies' 99-game home court winning streak.

It was also the Huskies' first home loss to an unranked opponent in nearly 19 years.

NO. 3 STANFORD 81, OREGON 46

EUGENE, Ore. — Joslyn Tinkle scored 19 points, Nnemkadi Ogwumike had 12 points and 10 rebounds, and Stanford routed Oregon to clinch the inaugural Pac-12 title.

Chiney Ogwumike added 14 points and nine rebounds for the Cardinal (24-1, 15-0), who have won 12 consecutive conference titles and 21 since Tara VanDerveer became the coach in 1985.

NO. 11 WIS. GREEN BAY 77, YOUNGSTOWN ST. 72, OT

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio — Adrian Ritchie scored 26 points, including nine in the last 35 seconds of regulation to force overtime, as Wisconsin-Green Bay edged Youngstown State.

Julie Wojta had her third consecutive double-double with 18 points and 15 rebounds for the Phoenix (23-1, 13-1 Horizon League), and Lydia Bauer added 14 points.

NO. 15 GEORGETOWN 66, PROVIDENCE 39

WASHINGTON — Tia Magee had 17 points and 10 rebounds, and Georgetown clamped down on defense to easily beat Providence.

Sugar Rodgers added 14 points for the Hoyas (21-6, 10-4 Big East), who have lost just once in five February games — an 80-38 drubbing at the hands of No. 2 Connecticut on Feb. 11.

NO. 21 RUTGERS 61, VILLANOVA 52

VILLANOVA, Pa. — April Sykes scored 20 points to help Rutgers snap a five-game losing streak with a win over Villanova.

NO. 22 ST. BONAVENTURE 66, XAVIER 48

ST. BONAVENTURE, N.Y. — Megan Van Tatenhove had 24 points and seven rebounds to lead St. Bonaventure to a victory over Xavier.

NO. 23 BYU 64, SAN DIEGO 50

PROVO, Utah — Jennifer Hamson and Haley Steed scored 14 points apiece to lead BYU to a win over San Diego.

NO. 24 DEPAUL 77, WEST VIRGINIA 63

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. — Brittany Hrynko scored 21 points and Anna Martin added 19 as DePaul came back in the second half to beat West Virginia after trailing by 14 at halftime.

Aggies can't stop Missouri's many weapons

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

COLLEGE STATION, — Missouri has so many options on offense that it isn't surprising when different players step up to help the Tigers keep winning.

Kim English scored 21 points and Michael Dixon added 15 on a day where Ricardo Ratliffe was held to just four points, leading lead No. 3 Missouri to a 71-62 win over Texas A&M on Saturday.

"Our offense is equal opportunity," English said. "That's the way coach (Frank) Haith drew it up. The go-to guy is the open man and fortunately they just made shots."

It was Missouri's 12th Big 12 win which ties a school record for most in a season.

Texas A&M cut the lead to five points on a 3-pointer by Elston Turner with 1:22 remaining. A turnover by Phil Pressey on the next play gave A&M the ball back.

David Loubeau had a chance to get A&M within three points, but he was called for an offensive foul when he knocked Steve Moore to the ground going up for the shot.

"Steve is really good at moving his feet and getting in position to make those plays," Haith said.

Texas A&M coach Buhly Kennedy seemed to think that it should have been a block on Moore instead of an offensive foul.

"I didn't know David could knock down a 6-9, 300-pound guy to be honest with you," Kennedy said. "We've got to get those kind of breaks against a very good Missouri team."

Denmon's 3 on the other end pushed the lead to 68-60 with 35 seconds left and his two free throws seconds later sealed the win for Missouri (25-2, 12-2).

"We showed great poise there in the second half and made some big stops when A&M made their run," Haith said.

Khris Middleton, in his third game back after missing five straight with a knee injury, had 15 points to lead A&M (13-13, 4-10).

Missouri's victory breaks a five-game losing streak for the Tigers in College Station, a place where they hadn't won since 2001. The Tigers had lost eight straight overall to A&M before sweeping the series this season.



David J. Phillip/AP

Missouri's Matt Pressey (3) tries to steal the ball from Texas A&M's Elston Turner (31) on Saturday in College Station.

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No. 1 Baylor women beat Texas Tech, clinch Big 12

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

WACO — Brittney Griner and the top-ranked Baylor Lady Bears are still undefeated and already have at least a share of the Big 12 conference title.

Griner had 18 points, 14 rebounds and matched a career high with five assists as Baylor overcame one of its worst extended stretches of bad play all season for a 56-51 victory over Texas Tech on Saturday night.

Destiny Williams added 16 points for the Lady Bears (27-0, 14-0 Big 12), getting most of her points on layups — several coming at key times. Her layup with 7:49 left, on a play started by Griner, broke a 46-all tie and put Baylor ahead to stay.

The Lady Raiders (17-9, 5-9) are the only Big 12 team to keep the final margin against Baylor under 10 points. They lost 72-64 at home a month earlier.

After Baylor scored the game's first nine points, Texas Tech recovered to build as much as a nine-point lead before halftime.

Lady Bears	56
Lady Raiders	51

Baylor, the only undefeated team in major college basketball, was still down by seven before Kimetria Hayden had consecutive assists to Williams for inside baskets. That capped a 10-2 run that put Baylor ahead 42-41 with just over 12 minutes left.

The Lady Bears went ahead to stay when Griner, surrounded by defenders, passed outside to Terran Condrey, who got the ball right back inside to Williams for her go-ahead layup.

Baylor can clinch the outright Big 12 title with a win at home Tuesday over Texas.

No. 14 Texas A&M (19-6, 10-4) remained four games behind the Lady Bears with four games remaining in conference play. The defending national champion Aggies, who beat Oklahoma State on Saturday night, lost 71-48 a week earlier at Waco. Baylor plays at College Station on Feb. 27.

TEXAS/BIG12ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Men

TEXAS
NO. 4 KANSAS 83, TEXAS TECH 50

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Thomas Robinson had 16 points and eight rebounds to lead a balanced attack for No. 4 Kansas, which emptied its bench early in an 83-50 rout of overmatched Texas Tech on Saturday night.

Travis Releford added 12 points and six others scored at least nine for the Jayhawks (22-5, 12-2), who built a 44-22 lead by halftime and then cruised over the final 20 minutes as they moved back into a tie with Missouri for first place in the Big 12.

KANSAS ST. 57, NO. 9 BAYLOR 56

WACO — Angel Rodriguez had 15 points and six assists and Kansas State made up for his potentially costly turnover in the final seconds as the Wildcats held on for a 57-56 victory at No. 9 Baylor on Saturday.

Rodriguez had an apparent breakaway layup with 13 seconds left after a turnover by Baylor guard Pierre Jackson. But Rodriguez was called for a traveling instead, giving the Bears one more chance.

OKLAHOMA ST. 90, TEXAS 78

STILLWATER, Okla. — Kelton Page scored a career-high 40 points, Le'Bryan Nash added 18 and Oklahoma State snapped Texas' four-game winning streak by beating the Longhorns 90-78 on Saturday.

Page erupted for 27 first-half points, matching his previous season-best for a game, and ended up becoming only the sixth player in school history to reach the 40-point mark.

BOISE STATE 65, TCU 64

BOISE, Idaho — Anthony Drmic hit two free throws with nine-tenths of a second left to lift Boise State to a 65-64 victory over Texas Christian on Saturday.

TCU's Craig Williams had 21 points and 10 rebounds but missed the front end of a 1-and-1 situation with six seconds left to leave the door open for Boise State (13-12, 3-7 Mountain West) to win its third consecutive game.

TEXAS-EL PASO 60, MEMPHIS 58

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Michael Perez scored 15 points and Jacques Streeter added 14 as Texas-El Paso used a second-half rally to defeat Memphis 60-58 on Saturday afternoon.

The Tigers' Will Barton clanked a 3-pointer off the rim as time expired, giving the Miners (13-13, 6-6 Conference USA) their third straight win. UTEP had trailed 51-44 with 6:25 left, but used a 13-4 rally to overtake Memphis with 1:19 left.

TULSA 69, RICE 50

TULSA, Okla. — Jordan Clarkson scored 23 points, Steven Idlet added 18 and Tulsa closed the game on a 20-3 run to defeat Rice 69-50 Saturday night.

TOLEDO 59, SAM HOUSTON STATE 58

HUNTSVILLE, — Julius Brown converted two free throws with 14 seconds left in the game to seal a 59-58 victory for Toledo over Sam Houston State on Saturday.

MARSHALL 73, SMU 68

DALLAS — Damier Pitts scored 20 points and Marshall defeated SMU 73-68 on Saturday.

GEORGE MASON 75, LAMAR 71

FAIRFAX, Va. — Ryan Pearson scored 17 points and grabbed 10 rebounds, and George Mason held off Lamar in a 75-71 victory on Saturday.

LOUISIANA-LAFAYETTE 57, NORTH TEXAS 53

DENTON — Darshawn McClellan scored 13 points and Kadeem Coleby had eight blocks as Louisiana-Lafayette clinched a winning record for the first time in seven years with a 57-53 victory over North Texas on Saturday.

TEXAS A&M-CC 49, CENTRAL MICHIGAN 47

MOUNT PLEASANT, Mich. — Hameed Ali's 3-pointer gave Texas A&M-Corpus Christi the lead for good and the Islanders hung on with free throws to beat Central Michigan 49-47 Saturday night..

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN 69, HIGH POINT 62

NACOGDOCHES — Taylor Smith scored 16 points and blocked five shots, and Darius Gardner had 15 points and seven rebounds to lead Stephen F. Austin to a 69-62 victory against High Point on Saturday.

TEXAS STATE 93, SOUTH DAKOTA 92

VERMILLION, S.D. — Brooks Ybarra hit two free throws with 4 seconds left and scored a career-high 29 points, and Texas State survived a furious South Dakota comeback and escaped with a 93-92 win Saturday night.

WEBER STATE 72, TEXAS-ARLINGTON 70

OGDEN, Utah — Scott Bamforth scored 16 of his 19 points in the second half to lead Weber State to a 72-70 victory over Texas-Arlington on Saturday, snapping the Mavericks' school record 16-game winning streak.

GEORGIA STATE 82, TEXAS-SAN ANTONIO 71

ATLANTA — Devonta White and Rashaad Richardson scored 16 points each and Georgia State had its best shooting game, cruising to an 82-71 win over Texas-San Antonio on Saturday night.

HOUSTON BAPTIST 75, NJIT 68

HOUSTON — Tyler Russell scored 21 points on 10 of 14 shooting to help lead Houston Baptist over NJIT 75-68 on Saturday night.

TEXAS-PAN AMERICAN 74, CHICAGO STATE 70

EDINBURG — Brandon Provost had 16 points and six assists and Texas-Pan American hit 13 3-pointers in a 74-70 victory over Chicago State on Saturday night.

BIG 12
IOWA STATE 80, OKLAHOMA 69

AMES, Iowa — Scott Christopherson scored 25 points, Chris Allen added 16 and Iowa State beat Oklahoma 80-69 on Saturday for its fifth win in seven games.

Melvin Ejim had 10 points and 14 rebounds for the Cyclones (19-8, 9-5 Big 12), who've won five straight league games at home for the first time in eight years.

Women

TEXAS
NO. 14 TEXAS A&M 63, OKLAHOMA STATE 49

COLLEGE STATION — Adaora Elonou had 19 points and 11 rebounds to lead No. 14 Texas A&M to a 63-49 victory against Oklahoma State on Saturday night.

Tyra White added 11 points and 13 rebounds and Kelsey Bone 18 points for the Aggies (19-6, 10-4).

BAYLOR
No. 1 BAYLOR 56, TEXAS TECH 51

TEXAS TECH (17-9): Barnicastle 2-4 0-0 6, Nobles 0-0 0-0 0, Brown 1-8 2-4 5, Morris 3-9 2-2 9, Smalls 5-11 2-2 13, Hyde 2-5 3-4 7, Mallard 4-9 0-0 10, Butler 0-2 1-2 1. Totals 17-49 10-14 51.

BAYLOR (27-0): Williams 8-17 0-1 16, Griner 5-14 8-10 18, Sims 1-5 2-4 4, Hayden 2-8 3-5 7, Madden 0-4 0-0 0, Condrey 3-5 0-0 8, Pope 1-4 1-2 3. Totals 20-57 14-22 56.

Halftime—Texas Tech 35-30. 3-Point Goals—Texas Tech 7-13 (Barnicastle 2-3, Mallard 2-3, Smalls 1-1, Brown 1-1, Morris 1-4, Hyde 0-1), Baylor 2-13 (Condrey 2-2, Madden 0-3, Sims 0-4, Hayden 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Texas Tech 39 (Brown 9), Baylor 37 (Griner 14). Assists—Texas Tech 8 (Morris 4), Baylor 15 (Griner, Sims 5). Total Fouls—Texas Tech 19, Baylor 13. A—10,381.

NO. 14 TEXAS A&M 63, OKLAHOMA ST. 49

OKLAHOMA ST. (13-10): Schepers 1-5 2-2 4, Bias 4-10 3-8 11, Donohoe 2-13 0-0 5, Keller 3-4 0-0 6, Suttles 2-5 0-0 4, Bryen 0-1 0-0 0, Schultz 2-5 1-2 7, Young 2-7 0-0 4, Cuellar 0-0 0-0 0, McIntyre 0-0 2-3 2, Jones 3-4 0-0 6. Totals 19-54 8-15 49.

TEXAS A&M (19-6): Bone 8-13 2-2 18, Carter 1-8 2-2 5, Cook 1-4 0-0 3, White 4-16 3-4 11, Elonu 7-15 5-6 19, Bellock 0-0 0-0 0, Scott 1-3 0-0 2, Collins 1-4 0-0 2, Preacher 0-2 1-2 1, Gilbed 1-4 0-3 2, Assenjo 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 24-73 12-18 63.

Halftime—Texas A&M 24-18. 3-Point Goals—Oklahoma St. 3-14 (Schultz 2-5, Donohoe 1-3, Bryen 0-1, Bias 0-1, Suttles 0-1, Schepers 0-3), Texas A&M 3-16 (White 1-1, Carter 1-4, Standish 1-6, Pratcher 0-1, Elonu 0-1, Collins 0-1, Scott 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Oklahoma St. 43 (Young 10), Texas A&M 50 (White 13). Assists—Oklahoma St. 13 (Bias 6), Texas A&M 17 (Carter 6). Total Fouls—Oklahoma St. 19, Texas A&M 13. A—7,436.

COLLEGEBASKETBALLSCORES

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Men

How Top 25 Fared Saturday

1. Kentucky (26-1) beat Mississippi 77-62. Next: at Mississippi State, Tuesday.
2. Syracuse (26-1) did not play. Next: at Rutgers, today.
3. Missouri (25-2) beat Texas A&M 71-62. Next: vs. Kansas State, Tuesday.
4. Kansas (22-5) beat Texas Tech 83-50. Next: at Texas A&M, Wednesday.
5. Duke (22-4) did not play. Next: at Boston College, today.
6. Ohio State (22-5) lost to No. 17 Michigan 56-51. Next: vs. Illinois, Tuesday.
7. Michigan State (21-5) did not play. Next: at Minnesota, Wednesday.
8. North Carolina (23-4) beat Clemson 74-52. Next: at N.C. State, Tuesday.
9. Baylor (22-5) lost to Kansas-State 57-56. Next: at Texas, Monday.
10. Georgetown (20-5) beat Providence 63-53. Next: at Seton Hall, Monday.
11. UNLV (22-6) lost to New Mexico 65-45. Next: vs. Boise State, Wednesday.
12. Marquette (22-5) beat UConn 79-64. Next: vs. Rutgers, Wednesday.
13. San Diego State (20-6) lost to Air Force 58-56. Next: vs. Wyoming, Wednesday.
14. Florida (21-6) beat Arkansas 98-68. Next: vs. Auburn, Tuesday.
15. Wisconsin (19-7) did not play. Next: vs. Penn State, today.
16. Murray State (26-1) beat No. 21 Saint Mary's (Cal) 65-49. Next: at Tennessee State, Thursday.
17. Michigan (20-7) beat No. 6 Ohio State 56-51. Next: at Northwestern, Tuesday.
18. Indiana (20-6) did not play. Next: at Iowa, today.
19. Louisville (21-6) beat DePaul 90-82. OT. Next: at Cincinnati, Thursday.
20. Florida State (19-7) beat N.C. State 79-62. Next: vs. No. 5 Duke, Thursday.
21. Saint Mary's (Cal) (23-5) lost to No. 16 Murray State 65-49. Next: at Portland, Thursday.
22. Virginia (20-6) beat Maryland 71-44. Next: at Virginia Tech, Tuesday.
23. Notre Dame (19-8) at Villanova. Next: vs. West Virginia, Wednesday.
24. Gonzaga (21-5) lost to San Francisco 66-65. Next: vs. BYU, Thursday.
24. Wichita State (24-4) beat Davidson 91-74. Next: at Illinois State, Wednesday.

SCORES
SOUTHWEST

Arkansas St. 77, FIU 67
Florida 98, Arkansas 68
Houston Baptist 75, NJIT 68
Kansas St. 57, Baylor 56
Louisiana-Lafayette 57, North Texas 53
Marshall 73, SMU 68
Missouri 71, Texas A&M 62
Oklahoma St. 90, Texas 78
Oral Roberts 81, Akron 61
Stephen F. Austin 69, High Point 62
Texas Southern 84, Ark.-Pine Bluff 65
Texas-Pan American 74, Chicago St. 70
Toledo 59, Sam Houston St. 58
Tulsa 69, Rice 50

FAR WEST

Air Force 58, San Diego St. 56,
BYU 82, Santa Clara 77
Boise St. 65, TCU 64
Cal St.-Fullerton 80, Montana St. 66
Colorado 55, Utah 49
Colorado St. 54, Wyoming 46
Denver 76, Louisiana-Monroe 57
N. Colorado 81, Cal Poly 73
New Mexico 65, UNLV 45
New Mexico St. 71, Drake 55
Pacific 68, Idaho St. 64, OT
San Francisco 66, Gonzaga 65
Washington 70, Arizona St. 50
Weber St. 72, Texas-Arlington 70

MIDWEST

Ball St. 71, S. Illinois 62
Bowling Green 73, Morehead St. 60
Butler 75, Indiana St. 54
Cincinnati 62, Seton Hall 57
Coll. of Charleston 80, Kent St. 73
Detroit 82, James Madison 70
Drexel 69, Canisius 58
Evansville 69, W. Illinois 45
Green Bay 84, E. Michigan 49
Ill.-Chicago 87, E. Illinois 63
Illinois St. 79, Oakland 75
Iowa St. 80, Oklahoma 69
Kansas 83, Texas Tech 50
Louisville 90, DePaul 82, OT
Loyola of Chicago 58, Bradley 44
Milwaukee 67, Fairfield 63
N. Dakota St. 86, W. Michigan 73
Nebraska 80, Illinois 57
Northwestern 84, Minnesota 59
Ohio 81, UNC Asheville 62
Old Dominion 73, Missouri St. 67
S. Dakota St. 86, Buffalo 65
SIU-Edwardsville 64, N. Illinois 62
Saint Louis 66, Fordham 46
Texas A&M-CC 49, Cent. Michigan 47
Texas St. 93, South Dakota 92
Wright St. 76, UMKC 62
Xavier 86, Dayton 83, OT

SOUTH

Alabama 82, Tennessee 50
Alabama St. 78, Alcorn St. 63
Appalachian St. 76, Winthrop 64
Auburn 65, Mississippi St. 55
Austin Peay 71, Youngstown St. 68
Belmont 80, ETSU 58
Bethune-Cookman 70, SC State 59
Charleston Southern 77, Wofford 59
E. Kentucky 78, IPFW 69
Florida St. 76, NC State 62
Gardner-Webb 57, Delaware St. 56
George Mason 75, Lamar 71
Georgia Southern 83, UNC Greensboro 69
Georgia St. 82, UTSA 71
Howard 70, Coppin St. 66
Jacksonville St. 67, Presbyterian 48
Kentucky 77, Mississippi 62
LSU 68, South Carolina 58
Louisiana Tech 64, Cent. Arkansas 62
MVSU 60, Prairie View 58
McNeese St. 74, SE Missouri 61
Miami 74, Wake Forest 56
Middle Tennessee 72, FAU 59
Morgan St. 81, Liberty 69
Murray St. 65, Saint Mary's (Cal) 51
NC Central 71, NC A&T 66
North Carolina 74, Clemson 52
North Dakota 67, Longwood 59
North Florida 81, Kennesaw St. 77, 2OT
Northwestern St. 100, Campbell 86
Radford 64, Binghamton 59
Richmond 53, Charlotte 52
SC-Upstate 62, Lipscomb 61
SE Louisiana 64, UT-Martin 48
Samford 55, Furman 49
Savannah St. 76, Florida A&M 57
South Alabama 66, W. Kentucky 61
Southern U. 72, Alabama A&M 65
Tennessee Tech 77, Coastal Carolina 71
The Citadel 66, Chattanooga 46
UAB 81, Tulane 75
UALR 74, Troy 62, OT
UCF 64, East Carolina 55
UTEP 60, Memphis 58
VMI 73, William & Mary 65
Virginia 71, Maryland 44
Virginia Tech 74, Georgia Tech 73, OT
W. Carolina 78, Elon 76, OT
Wichita St. 91, Davidson 74

EAST

Albany (NY) 70, Rider 61
American U. 74, Army 50
Canisius 73, UMBC 66
Colgate 59, Navy 57
Dartmouth 58, Brown 53
Delaware 68, Hampton 64
Georgetown 63, Providence 53
Hartford 67, St. Peter's 51
Harvard 66, Yale 51
Hofstra 81, Siena 69
Holy Cross 54, Bucknell 52
Iona 90, Niagara 84
LIU 99, Quinnipiac 89
La Salle 72, UMass 71
Lehigh 72, Lafayette 53
Manhattan 79, UNC Wilmington 64
Marist 77, Maine 71
Marquette 79, UConn 64
Monmouth (NJ) 68, Mount St. Mary's 66
New Hampshire 72, Towson 58
Penn 61, Columbia 59, OT
Princeton 75, Cornell 57
Robert Morris 68, CCSU 66
Saint Joseph's 73, George Washington 66
St. Bonaventure 81, Rhode Island 61
St. Francis (NY) 58, Sacred Heart 56
St. Francis (Pa.) 76, Bryant 61
St. John's 68, UCLA 63
Stony Brook 76, Northeastern 69
Temple 75, Duquesne 59
Wagner 90, Fairleigh Dickinson 70

TEXAS BOXES

NO. 4 KANSAS 83, TEXAS TECH 50

TEXAS TECH (9-18): Tolbert 4-12 4-4 12, Lewandowski 0-4 0-0 0, Nurse 4-5 0-0 11, Willis 6-10 2-2 17, Adams 0-3 0-0 0, Pettway 0-0 0-0 0, Minnis 2-2 0-0 4, Crockett 2-8 2-2 6, Lammert 0-0 0-0 0, Nash 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 18-44 8-8 50.

KANSAS (22-5): Robinson 6-10 4-8 16, Withey 1-2 7-10 9, Taylor 3-6 2-2 9, Johnson 2-6 1-2 6, Releford 3-4 4-4 12, Tharpe 1-3 0-0 3, Traylor 3-5 2-2 11, Wesley 0-0 0-0 0, Roberts 0-0 0-0 0, Garrett 0-0 0-0 0, Lindsay 0-0 0-0 0, Juenemann 3-3 0-0 7, Young 5-7 0-0 10. Totals 27-48 20-28 83.

Halftime—Kansas 44-22. 3-Point Goals—Texas Tech 6-12 (Nurse 3-3, Willis 3-7, Adams 0-2), Kansas 9-15 (Traylor 3-5, Releford 2-2, Juenemann 1-1, Tharpe 1-1, Taylor 1-2, Johnson,1-3, Robinson 0-1). Fouled Out—Crockett. Rebounds—Texas Tech 21 (Minnis 5), Kansas 32 (Robinson, Withey 8). Assists—Texas Tech 11 (Crockett 3), Kansas 20 (Robinson 5). Total Fouls—Texas Tech 20, Kansas 14. Technical—Texas Tech Bench. A—16,300.

NO. 3 MISSOURI 71, TEXAS A&M 62

MISSOURI (25-2): P. Pressey 4-5 4-4 13, M. Pressey 1-2 0-0 2, Ratliffe 2-5 0-0 4, Denmon 4-10 3-4 14, English 6-10 6-8 21, Dixon 5-8 4-4 15, Sutton 0-0 0-0 0, Moore 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 23-41 17-20 71.

TEXAS A&M (13-13): Loubeau 3-5 1-1 7, Green 6-8 1-2 14, Middleton 5-11 4-6 15, Kinsley 2-5 0-0 5, E. Turner 2-10 2-2 7, Hibbert 2-5 0-0 5, Davis 1-1 0-0 2, Alexander 0-0 0-0 0, R. Turner 3-6 1-1 7. Totals 24-49 9-10 62.

Halftime—Missouri 31-24. 3-Point Goals—Missouri 8-20 (English 3-6, Denmon 3-7, P.Pressey 1-2, Dixon 1-4, M. Pressey 0-1), Texas A&M 5-17 (Hibbert 1-2, Green 1-2, Kinsley 1-3, Middleton 1-4, E. Turner 1-6). Fouled Out—Kinsley, Loubeau. Rebounds—Missouri 26 (Denmon, English, Ratliffe 6), Texas A&M 16 (Loubeau, Middleton 4). Assists—Missouri 16 (P. Pressey 7), Texas A&M 15 (Hibbert, E. Turner 4). Total Fouls—Missouri 12, Texas A&M 21. A—11,818.

OKLAHOMA ST. 90, TEXAS 78

TEXAS (17-10): Wangmene 0-0 0-0 0, Chapman 3-9 1-1 7, Lewis 1-5 0-0 2, Kabongo 8-12 3-5 22, Brown 6-14 5-5 20, McClellan 6-8 2-2 15, Bond 0-1 0-0 0, Holmes 2-5 2-4 6, Gibbs 2-3 1-1 6. Totals 28-57 14-18 78.

OKLAHOMA ST. (13-14): Nash 5-10 7-11 18, Cobbins 3-4 6-8 12, B.Williams 2-5 4-10 8, Page 8-14 20-20 40, Brown 5-5 6-7 12, Guerrero 0-3 0-0 0, Jurick 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 21-41 43-56 90.

Halftime—Oklahoma St. 51-39. 3-Point Goals—Texas 8-16 (Kabongo 3-4, Brown 3-6, Gibbs 1-2, McClellan 1-3, Lewis 0-1), Oklahoma St. 5-14 (Page 4-8, Nash 1-3, Guerrero 0-1, B. Williams 0-1, Brown 0-1). Fouled Out—Chapman, Holmes. Rebounds—Texas 28 (Chapman 8), Oklahoma St. 28 (Brown 11). Assists—Texas 9 (Holmes 3), Oklahoma St. 9 (Brown 3). Total Fouls—Texas 30, Oklahoma St. 17. A—10,438.

KANSAS ST. 57, NO. 9 BAYLOR 56

KANSAS ST. (18-8): Henriquez 5-7 1-3 9, Samuels 3-10 1-2 9, Rodriguez 7-12 0-0 15, McGruder 5-11 0-0 15, Spradling 2-10 0-0 5, Southwell 0-1 0-0, Irving 0-0 0-0 0, Oglesby 0-0 0-0 0, Gipson 2-4 0-1 4. Totals 24-55 2-6 57.

BAYLOR (22-6): Jones III 2-6 0-0 4, Acy 5-11 4-4 14, Miller 4-10 4-5 12, Hedig 4-8 2-2 13, Jackson 3-9 2-3 9, Franklin 0-1 0-0 0, Bello 0-0 0-0 0, Walton 0-2 0-0 0, Jefferson 1-2 0-0 2, Jones 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 20-52 12-14 56.

Halftime—Kansas St. 32-28. 3-Point Goals—Kansas St. 7-20 (McGruder 3-6, Samuels 2-3, Rodriguez 1-3, Spradling 1-7, Southwell 0-1), Baylor 4-13 (Hedig 3-6, Jackson 1-4, Miller 0-1, Jones 0-1, Franklin 0-1). Fouled Out—Jones III, Rebounds—Kansas St. 29 (Henriquez 7), Baylor 34 (Miller 11). Assists—Kansas St. 16 (Rodriguez 6), Baylor 13 (Jackson 7). Total Fouls—Kansas St. 18, Baylor 12. Technical—Samuels. A—10,287.

UTEP 60, MEMPHIS 58

UTEP (13-13): Washburn 4-10 0-0 9, McCulley 3-9 3-4 9, Lang 2-4 2-2 6, Streeter 4-5 4-4 14, Perez 3-7 1-5 7, Reginald 0-2 0-0 0, Bohannon 3-6 1-2 7. Totals 19-43 11-23 60.

MEMPHIS (10-9): Hall 1-2 2-2 4, Black 10-13 6-10 26, A.Barton 1-5 0-0 3, Crawford 1-6 0-0 3, W.Barton 3-9 2-2 8, Jackson 1-4 4-7, Witherspoon 1-7 3-5 5, Stephens 0-8 1-2 1. Totals 18-48 18-25 58.

Halftime—Memphis 28-19. 3-Point Goals—UTEP 5-11 (Streeter 2-2, Perez 2-5, Washburn 1-1, McCulley 0-1, Ragland 0-2), Memphis 4-17 (Crawford 1-3, Jackson 1-3, W.Barton 1-4, A.Barton 1-4, Witherspoon 0-3). Fouled Out—Bohannon, Witherspoon. Rebounds—UTEP 30 (McCulley 12), Memphis 27 (Black 10). Assists—UTEP 10 (Bohannon, Lang, McCulley 2), Memphis 10 (W. Barton 3). Total Fouls—UTEP 20, Memphis 18. Technical—Washburn. A—16,427.

MARSHALL 73, SMU 68

MARSHALL (16-10): Timon 5-6 2-4 12, Goff 2-2 1-2 5, Pitts 6-11 3-4 20, Johnson 1-6 2-2 5, Kane 5-14 4-8 14, Pena 1-4 0-0 2, Splaine 3-3 7-9 13, Moss 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-48 20-81 73.

SMU (11-16): Williams 1-6 0-2 2, Nyalsund 3-14 2-2 10, Cancelarios 1-1 0-0 3, Simmons 5-7 0-0 10, Jones 6-8 2-7 15, Manuel 0-2 2-4 2, Smith 1-1 0-0 2, Giles 6-8 2-2 17, Patsevich 0-2 2-2 2, Cunningham 1-2 3-4 5. Totals 24-51 13-23 68.

Halftime—Marshall 25-14. 3-Point Goals—Marshall 7-21 (Pitts 5-9, Johnson 1-4, Pena 1-4, Kane 0-4), SMU 7-29 (Giles 3-5, Nyalsund 2-6, Cancelarios 1-1, Jones 1-2, Samarripas 0-1, Patsevich 0-2, Williams 0-3). Fouled Out—Giles, Goff, Jones. Rebounds—Marshall 31 (Kane 8), SMU 32 (Williams 10). Assists—Marshall 13 (Pitts 5), SMU 9 (Manuel 3). Total Fouls—Marshall 18, SMU 25. A—2,110.

TOLEDO 59, SAM HOUSTON ST. 58

TOLEDO (13-14): Buckley 2-8 1-1 6, Pearson 5-14 2-2 12, Brown 4-10 2-3 12, Smith 3-5 0-0 7, Wonford 0-0 0-0 0, Mathew 0-2 0-0 0, Diarra 0-0 0-3 0, Heidelday 6-7 0-1 14, Dennis 4-9 0-0 8. Totals 24-53 5-10 59.

SAM HOUSTON ST. (11-16): Gatson 1-6 0-0 2, Gatlin 3-7 1-2 7, Werner 6-8 2-5 14, James 4-8 2-4 10, Tucker 6-15 1-1 14, McKinney 2-2 2-2 8, Harwell 0-2 0-0 0, Boothe 1-4 1-2 3. Totals 23-52 9-16 58.

Halftime—Toledo 34-27. 3-Point Goals—Toledo 6-19 (Holliday 0-3, Brown 2-5, Smith 1-2, Buckley 1-4, Pearson 0-1, Dennis 0-4), Sam Houston St. 3-13 (McKinney 2-2, Tucker 1-1, Gatlin 0-1, Gatson 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Toledo 29 (Pearson 7), Sam Houston St. 35 (Werner 11). Assists—Toledo 18 (Brown 8), Sam Houston St. 16 (Gatlin 7). Total Fouls—Toledo 19, Sam Houston St. 18. A—1,965.

BOISE ST. 65, TCU 64

TCU (15-11): Crossland 0-1 0-2 0, Williams 7-15 2-5 21, Anderson 1-7 2-2 4, Thorns 2-8 2-2 7, Cadot 4-10 0-0 8, Fields 5-7 0-0 13. Totals 19-48 6-11 64.

BOISE ST. (13-12): Drmic 3-9 4-6 10, Buckner 5-7 2-3 12, Marks 6-12 1-1 13, Hastings 0-1 0-0 0, Thomas 1-9 2-2 4, Elomaga 0-0 4-4 4, Hadzimerovic 0-1 0-0 0, Brockett 3-4 0-0 8, Wiley 2-3 0-0 6, Watkins 2-6 0-0 4, Perryman 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 24-56 13-16 65.

Halftime—TCU 28-26. 3-Point Goals—TCU 12-25 (Williams 5-7, Fields 3-3, Green 3-4, Thorns 1-4, Butler 0-1, Cadot 0-2, Anderson 0-4), Boise St. 4-16 (Wiley 2-3, Brockett 2-3, Hastings 0-3, Nichols 0-3, Drmic 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—TCU 33 (Williams 10), Boise St. 36 (Marks 7). Assists—TCU 11 (Thorns 5), Boise St. 9 (Drmic, Marks 3). Total Fouls—TCU 16, Boise St. 13. A—6,785.

GEORGE MASON 75, LAMAR 71

LAMAR (17-10): Nelson 1-2 1-1 3, Eborromoyi 2-4 1-3 5, Lamb 5-9 2-3 12, Davis 3-8 4-4 13, Minor 3-4 2-2 8, Miles 3-9 0-0 7, Acosta 2-4 3-5 7, James 5-12 0-0 10, Harper 3-5 0-0 6, Norman 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 27-57 13-18 71.

GEORGE MASON (23-6): Morrison 3-4 2-4 8, Pearson 6-13 4-4 17, Allen 3-5 0-0 6, Vaughns 3-7 1-7, Cornelius 3-5 0-0 9, Bennett 1-2 0-0 2, Cooper 1-2 0-0 2, Arledge 2-2 0-0 4, Wright 5-7 1-1 13, Gray 0-1 0-0 0, Edwards 1-1 4-5 7. Totals 28-49 12-15 75.

Halftime—George Mason 47-34. 3-Point Goals—Lamar 4-11 (Davis 3-5, Miles 1-2, Minor 0-1, Lamb 0-1, James 0-2), George Mason 7-14 (Cornelius 3-5, Wright 2-3, Edwards 1-1, Pearson 1-2, Allen 0-1, Vaughns 0-2). Fouled Out—Cornelius. Rebounds—Lamar 30 (Harper 7), George Mason 26 (Pearson 10). Assists—Lamar 15 (Miles 5), George Mason 14 (Pearson 4). Total Fouls—Lamar 18, George Mason 17. Technicals—Miles, Pearson. A—7,014.

LOUISIANA-LAFAYETTE 57, NORTH TEXAS 53

LOUISIANA-LAFAYETTE (16-13): McClellan 4-9 4-4 13, Coleby 3-6 1-4 10, Mormaki 2-5 1-2 5, Brown 2-11 2-2 6, Andrews 3-8 3-4 9, Payton 1-5 0-0 2, Farrington 0-0 2-2 2, Thomas 0-2 2-4 2, Thompson 3-9 1-2 8. Totals 17-52 21-34 57.

NORTH TEXAS (15-12): Mitchell 3-8 1-2 7, Hogans 1-3 0-0 2, Edwards 2-6 1-2 6, A.Williams 6-16 0-0 12, Hall 2-4 4-6 10, Holman 3-8 2-4 9, Walton 0-6 0-2 0, Norris 0-2 0-0 0, Stoglin-vic 1-5 3-6 5, Franklin 1-7 0-2 2. Totals 19-85 11-24 53.

Halftime—Louisiana-Lafayette 32-25. 3-Point Goals—Louisiana-Lafayette 2-18 (Thompson 1-4, McClellan 1-6, Mbemaki 0-1, Thomas 0-1, Andrews 0-6), North Texas 4-13 (Hall 2-3, Edwards 1-1, Holman 1-2, A.Williams 0-1, Norris 0-1, Mitchell 0-2, Walton 0-3). Fouled Out—Edwards, Thomas, Walton. Rebounds—Louisiana-Lafayette 47 (Thomas 10), North Texas 47 (Holman 8). Assists—Louisiana-Lafayette 6 (Payton 4), North Texas 8 (A.Williams 3). Total Fouls—Louisiana-Lafayette 23, North Texas 22. A—6,921.

GEORGIA ST. 82, TEXAS-SAN ANTONIO 71

TEXAS-SAN ANTONIO (15-12): Franklin 3-5 0-0 9, Hill 4-12 0-0 9, Hale III 6-12 3-3 18, Nujic 3-6 0-0 6, Johnson III 1-2 0-0 3, Pye 0-2 0-0 0, Vouyoukas 2-4 0-0 6, Whitehead 0-1 0-0 0, Burrage 7-10 5-6 21, Sims 0-1 0-0 0, Wood 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 26-55 8-9 71.

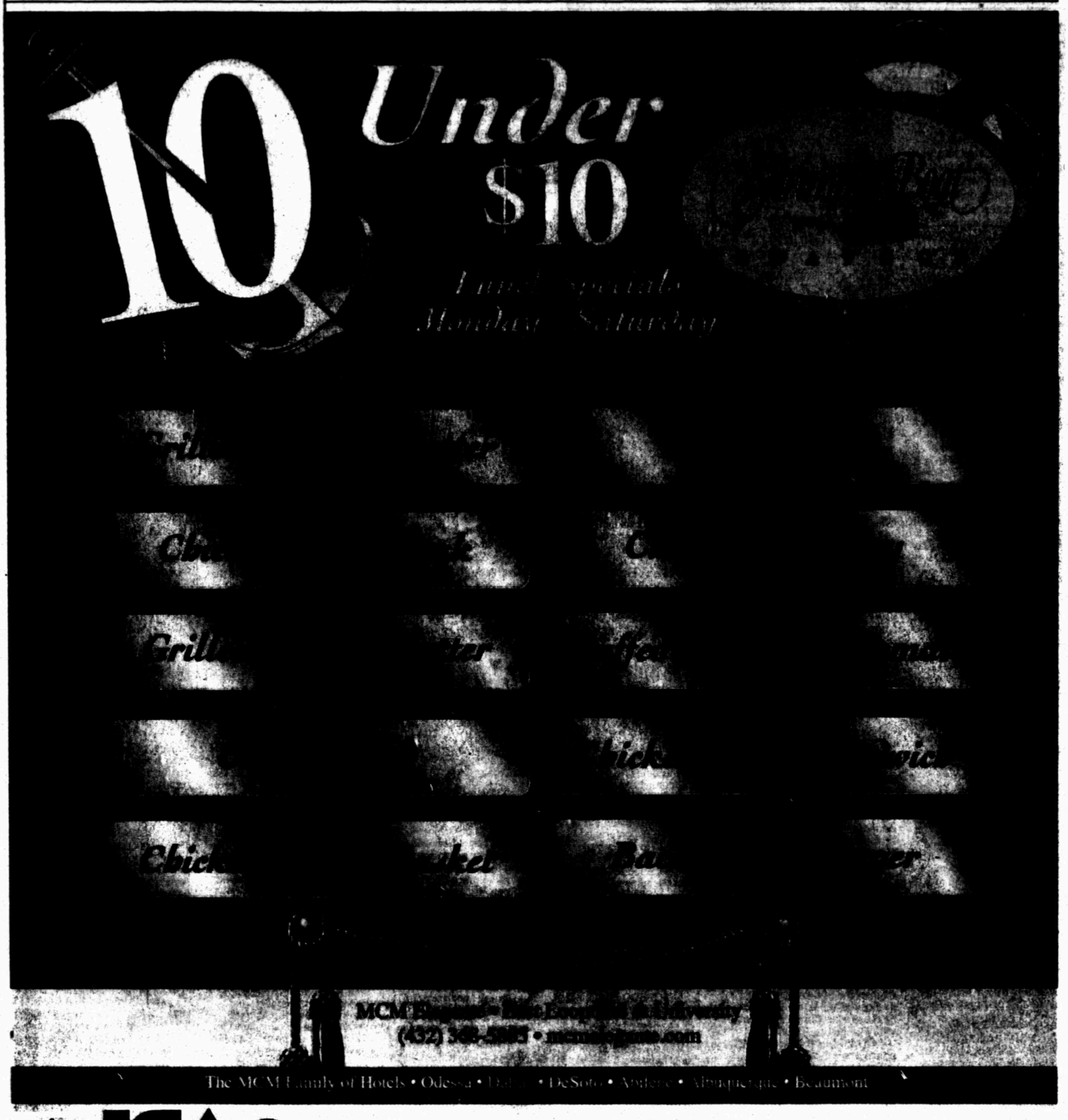
GEORGIA ST. (19-9): Richeaux 3-3 2-2 8, Buckner 7-8 0-3 14, Fields 4-6 2-3 10, White 6-10 2-2 16, Pearson 0-1 0-0 0, Carter 1-1 0-0 2, Kimbro Jr. 2-4 0-0 5, Dorsett 0-0 0-0 0, R. Green 0-0 0-0 0, Vincent 0-1 0-0 0, Richardson 6-8 0-0 16, J. Green 0-0 0-0 0, Taylor 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 33-68 8-12 82.

Halftime—Georgia St. 40-38. 3-Point Goals—Texas-San Antonio 11-26 (Franklin 3-4, Hale III 3-8, Burrage 2-3, Vouyoukas 1-1, Johnson III 1-2, Hill 1-6, Whitehead 0-1, Pye 0-1, Sims 0-1), Georgia St. 8-20 (Richardson 4-6, White 2-6, Kimbro Jr. 1-2, Ali 1-5, Michieaux 0-1, Shaw 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Texas-San Antonio 27 (Franklin, Hill 5), Georgia St. 20 (Buckner, Michieaux 8). Assists—Texas-San Antonio 16 (Hale III 5), Georgia St. 19 (Michieaux 11). Total Fouls—Texas-San Antonio 12, Georgia St. 12. A—922.

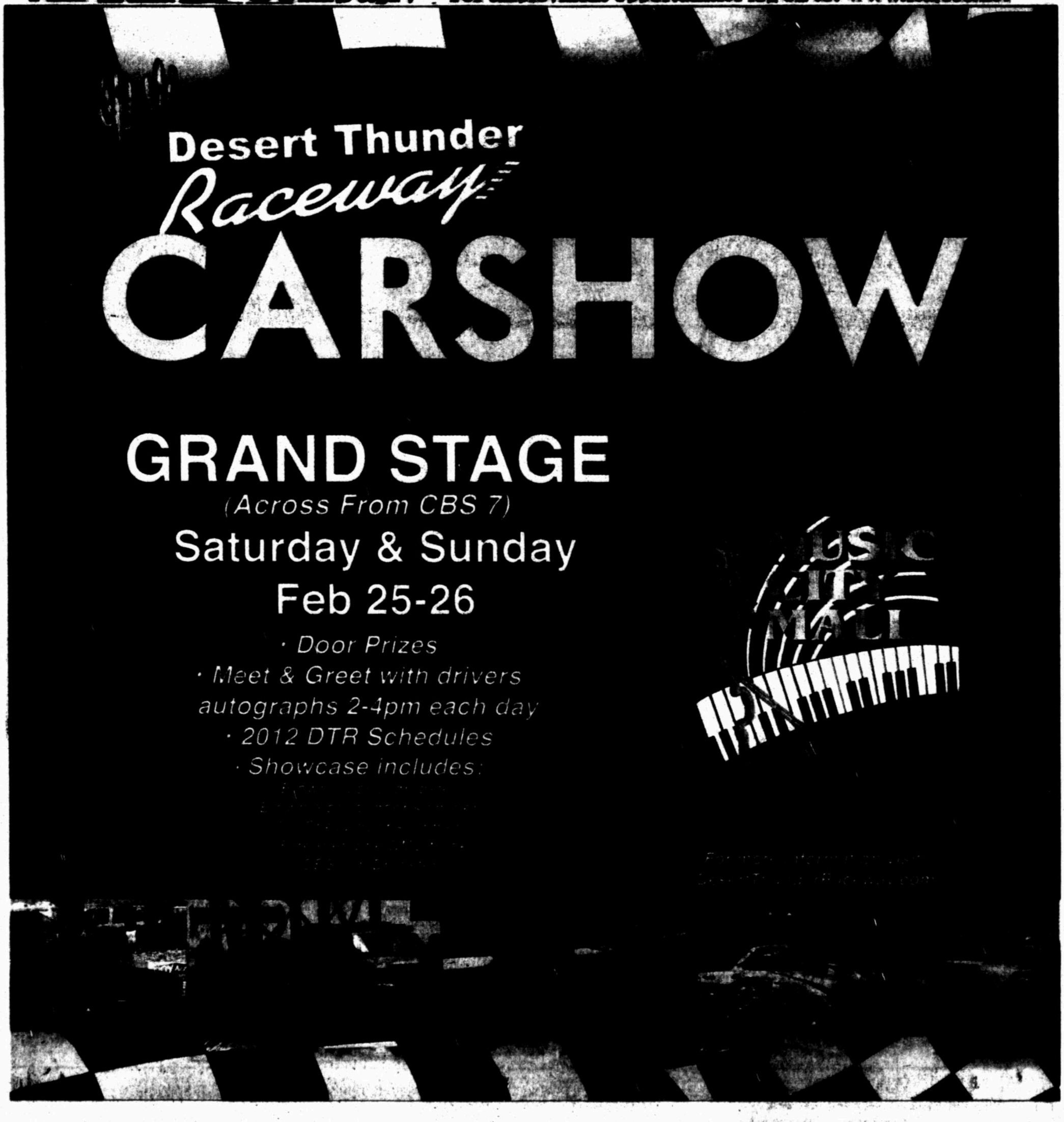
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How Top 25 Fared Saturday

1. Baylor (27-0) beat Texas Tech 56-51. Next: vs. Texas, Tuesday.
2. UConn (24-3) lost to St. John's 57-56. Next: at Pittsburgh, Tuesday.
3. Stanford (24-1) beat Oregon 81-46. Next: vs. Colorado, Thursday.
4. Notre Dame (25-2) did not play. Next: at No. 19 Louisville, Monday.
5. Duke (22-3) did not play. Next: at No. 8 Maryland, today.
6. Miami (23-3) did not play. Next: vs. Florida State, today.
7. Kentucky



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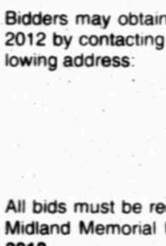
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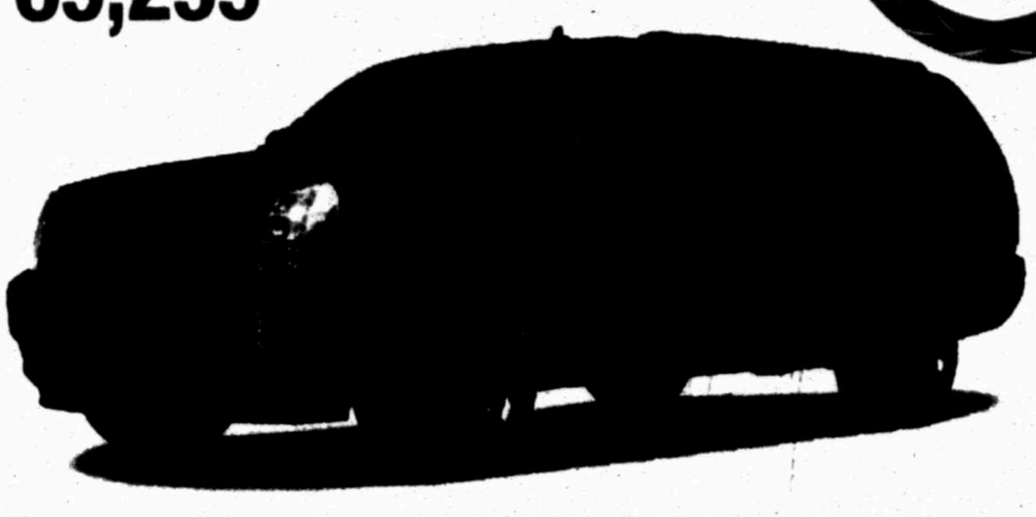
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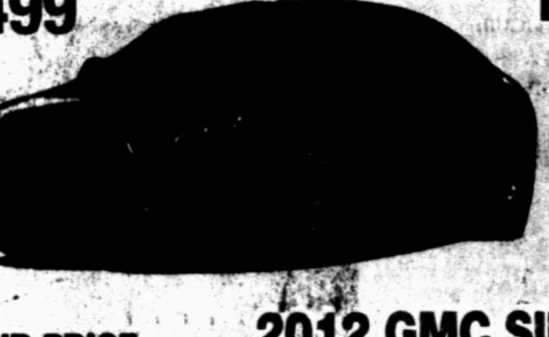
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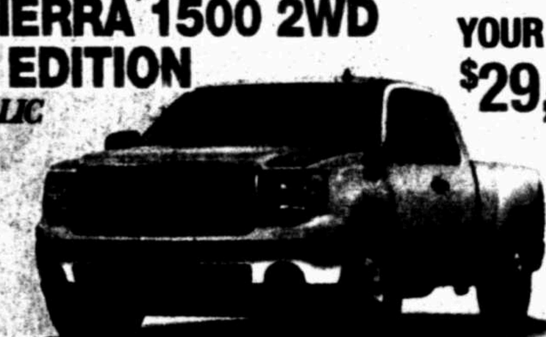


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Tethered to Twitter? Waging nonstop "Words with Friends" wars?

As much as technology tempts us to procrastinate, it can also help us stay on task, be more organized and productive and meet professional and personal goals. So forget about those letter tiles for a while (you'll never unload that Q, anyway) and make note of a few nifty applications and gadgets that might actually help you get ahead.

Mindjet's redesigned subscription-based 2012 MindManager desktop application for Windows or Mac (Mindjet.com) is a "freeform whiteboard" that helps the user brainstorm and capture ideas and then organize, expand and act on the best of them. A free mobile app for iPhone or iPad is handy for entering and sorting ideas, tasks and meeting notes into "visual maps" that help organize concepts and priorities.



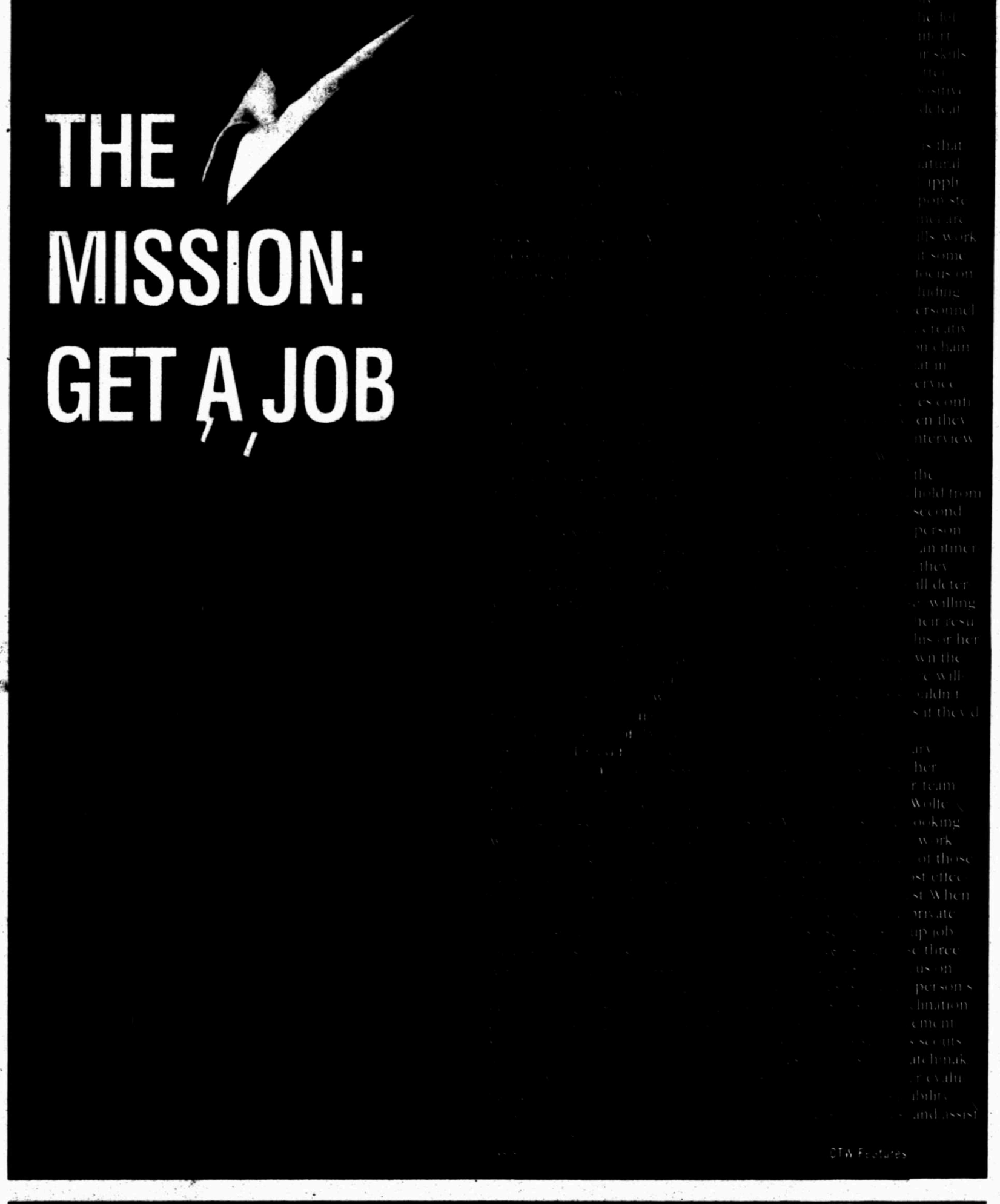
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Fitbug.com is a membership-based "online personal wellness coach" that works in conjunction with a portable device, or "bug," that clips onto a waistband or fits in a pocket to record steps taken, calories burned, distance covered and other data. The bug then plugs into the computer and connects to the coaching website. Fitbug uses the information to create personalized weekly activity and healthy eating plans designed to "help people make small changes that over time deliver big health benefits," says founder and CEO Paul Landau.

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Of course you know your address. Or do you?

Filling out your address information on application forms seems straightforward enough. Yet, I found that some of my employment office clients were confused about terms. Many of them fail to see why this information is important.

Permanent. Previous. Temporary. These terms often confuse students applying for part-time jobs near their college campuses. Students should list their dorm or school address as their temporary address. Their hometown information is their permanent address.

Permanent address and previous address are important distinctions for jobseekers who have relocated in the past two years. The information will clarify why some references live so far away.

Some employers, especially those hiring part-time workers, use address information to determine how far a job applicant lives from the workplace. People who hire may not be familiar with rural roads, streets in suburbs or the newer 911 addresses that replace antiquated rural routes with enhanced location information. I counsel some applicants to add a local landmark as a point of reference to help an employer understand where they live – for example, "Near the high school on Route 123."



In small communities, some people still pick up mail at the post office. Such applicants should give their 911 address or note some landmark when filling out a job application that asks for a home address.

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CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

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Sheridan Production Company needs an accounts payable clerk for its Midland, TX office. Variety of duties include maintaining flow of invoices within the Oracle accounting system. Knowledge and experience with Microsoft Office. Excellent benefits and work environment. Experience with oil and gas co. preferred. Please email your resume to employment@sheridanproduction .com. EEO

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First United Methodist Church, Midland, Texas

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EMPLOYMENT STATUS: 30 hours part-time
ANTICIPATED START DATE: March 15, 2012

WORSHIP ARTS ACADEMY ADMINISTRATOR POSITION OPEN. Applicant should have bachelor's degree in performing, educational, or visual arts; have three years of experience as an educator; exhibit strong management and entrepreneurial experience; and offer connection to the Midland-Odessa arts community. Marketing, team leadership, and recruiting experience will be important. Submit resume and letter of interest by March 1, 2012 to Laurie Tyre laurietyre@firstmethodistmidland.com.

CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

Operations Clerk
Job #12-08

The United States District Clerk's Office in Midland is currently accepting applications for the position of Operations Clerk.

Position Overview: The Operations Clerk receives and reviews incoming documents via traditional and electronic media to determine conformity with appropriate rules, practices, and/or court requirements; ensures assignment of case numbers and randomly assigns cases to judges; makes summary entries of all documents and proceedings on the docket, this includes, but is not limited to: pleadings, petitions, motions, complaints, minutes, and orders; assists in case management by ensuring that all automated entries are appropriately linked for proper case management; prepares and transmits to appropriate parties such items as: notices, judgments, and orders, informs parties when judgment or appealable order is entered on the docket; opens cases upon receipt of initiating documents, such as complaints, indictments, or petitions; closes cases upon receipt of terminating documents, such as judgments and closing orders; receives documents pertaining to a variety of case types, such as civil, criminal, bankruptcy, tax, and administrative; identifies emergency motions and documents that require special handling and refers them to appropriate personnel; determines if the documents received are timely and otherwise meet the requirements of Federal and local rules; contacts district court personnel, attorneys, and others when case opening requirements are not met; answers queries on procedures and status of cases; functions as back up cashier for funds received for filing and copy fees, appeal fees, and payments of criminal debt, etc; may serve as backup in jury administration and to courtroom staff; and all other duties as assigned.

Minimum Qualifications Requirements: Position requires at least 2 years of clerical or administrative experience and 4 years of legal experience preferably in a civil and/or criminal environment. Bachelor's degree preferred but not required. Excellent customer service, communication, and organizational skills are also required. Must be able to process a high volume of paperwork, the ability to handle more than one task at a time, and prioritize and manage own workload. Proficient data entry skills required.

Application Procedure: Qualified candidates may apply by mailing a current resume. In addition, please attach a letter stating your interest, Job #12-08, salary history or classification level, and a daytime telephone number. Mail to:

United States District Court
Attn: Human Resources
727 E. Cesar Chavez Blvd., Suite A-403
San Antonio, Texas 78206

Applications must be received no later than March 2, 2012. No late applications will be considered.

The Court is not authorized to reimburse travel expenses for interviews or relocation. This position is subject to mandatory electronic direct deposit of salary payments. Please note the best qualified candidates will be tested to determine level of skill/knowledge and final candidates will undergo a credit, fingerprint, and background check.

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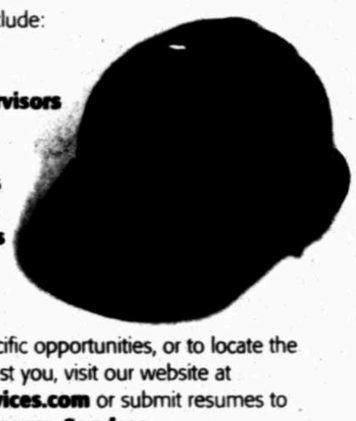
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Job Duties include but are not limited to:
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- Minimum of five years of experience with three years in petrophysical analysis
- Experience with the management and evaluation of multi-well projects
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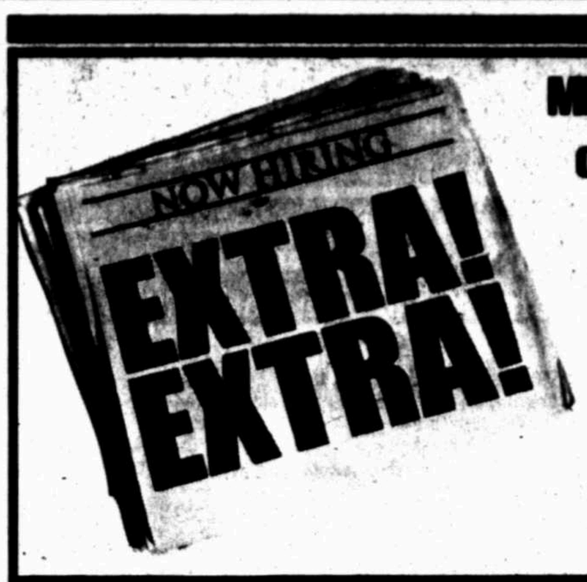
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Full-time positions available for fast growing Hospice Agency. Social Worker, Chaplain, Community Liaison. Experience preferred. 1031 Andrews Hwy, Ste 200, Midland, Tx 79701 or fax resume to 432-618-0307.
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Part-Time Shift Work Available
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Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois, Lobby Information Desk • Monday-Friday 8-5 or email: etitsworth@hearstnp.com
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Confidential FT/PT
Seeking full-time Oral Surgery Assistant in Midland. RDA required. Great work environment and benefits. Please fax resume to: 432-620-0813

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Interim Homecare and Hospice
Midland, TX 79701
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OTHER JOBS

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Midland, TX 79711

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Installation of major components on skids, knowledge of pipe fitting 1" to 2" pipe. Knowledge of compressor packages, understanding layout drawings and P&ID and welding a plus.

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Positions in West Texas available! Perform service work for fleet of reciprocating, rotary vane and flooded screw gas compressor units. Knowledge of compressor unit wiring and PLC control panels a plus. Must have clean driving record and pass drug test.

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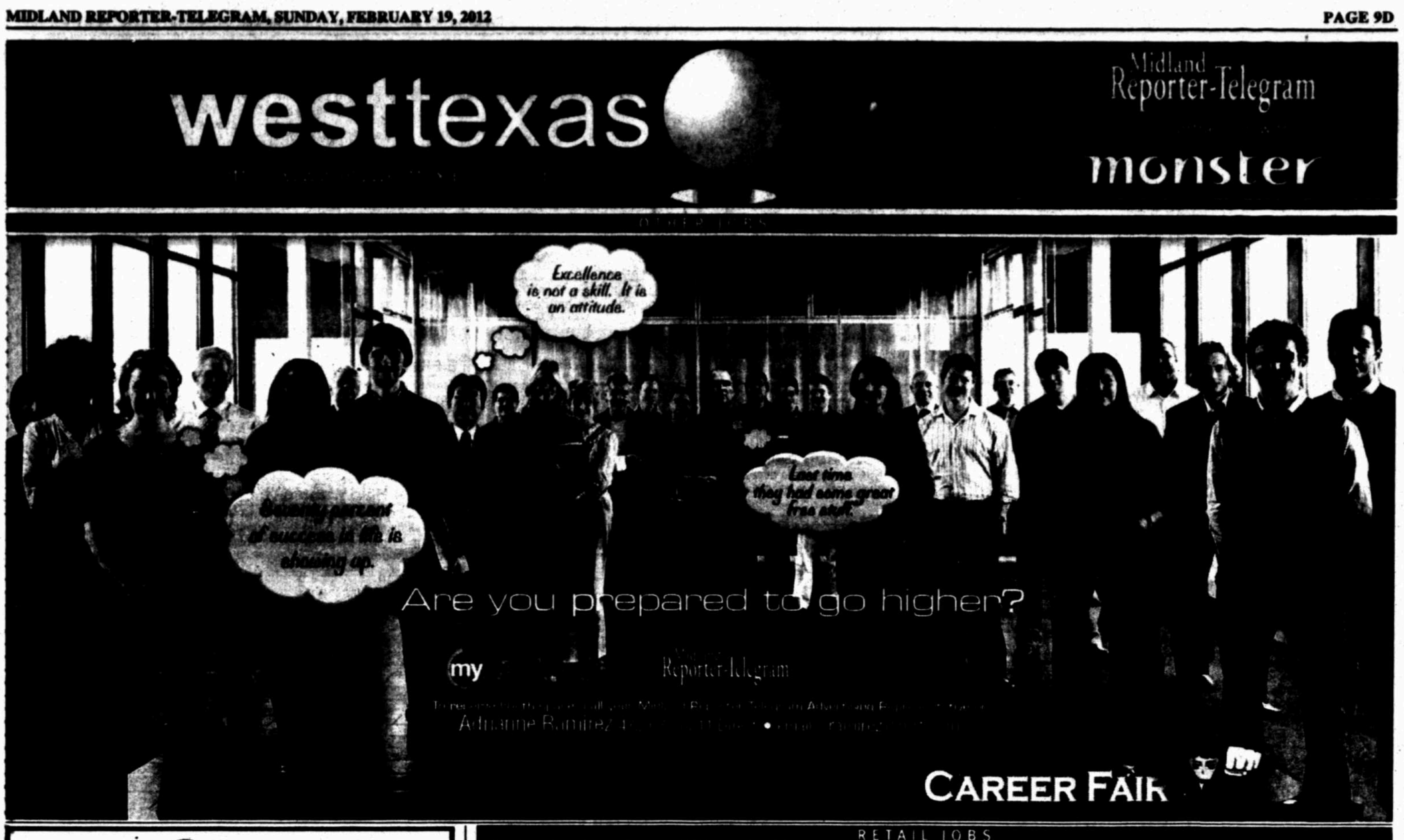
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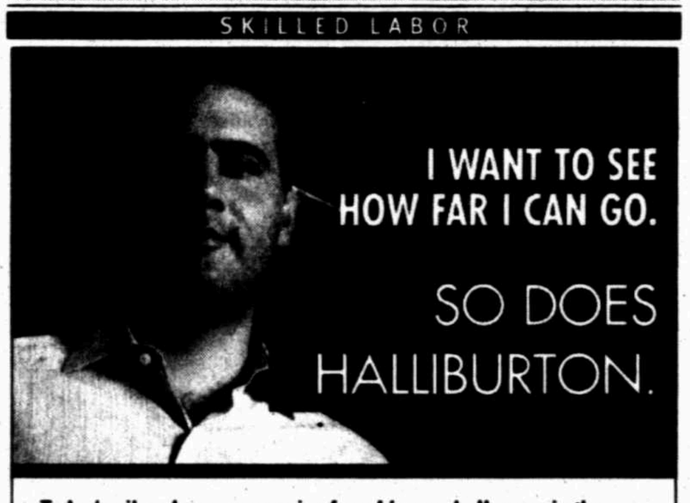
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Open the front door to beautiful tile flooring, Plantation shutters and tall ceilings. To the right is a large formal dining room with views of the front yard. It is near the formal living area where you will find a white mantle and fireplace lined on one side by built-in shelves and cabinets. Windows cover one wall and offer a view of the covered porch and swimming pool and spa. Wide open spaces are beyond the fence allowing you to enjoy the sunrise each morning!

Also by the dining room is the gourmet kitchen where granite countertops can become your next workspace! Rich wooden cabinets on the walls create niches for your small appliances and dishes. A large center island highlighted with a gorgeous light fixture will inspire you to create delicious meals for your family and friends. A skylight provides natural light; the walls of the opening have been decoratively faux painted as are several other walls in the house that have this elegant touch. Stainless appliances add to the modern feel of this kitchen and a built in desk is the perfect spot to plan menus. Enjoy meals in the informal dining area nearby or open a door to a small covered porch where you can put a table to enjoy the outdoors. Oversized glass French doors separate the kitchen from the den where you can cozy up to another fireplace!

This is the perfect room to sit back and relax to enjoy the latest movie or show with your family. Bookshelves can be used to display your collections and a wall of windows look out to the covered porch and pool. Between the den and formal living is a built-in bar with a wine refrigerator, granite countertop and shelves for barware. Nearby, a hallway leads to a spacious laundry room with a sink, cabinets and room for ironing and hanging clothes. A sequestered bedroom at the end of the hall features wooden floors and a walk-in closet. It is attached to a full bathroom, which also has an opening to the hallway. A doorway in the hall leads to a three car garage and a parking pad complete with RV hookup and sewer dump.

To the left of the front door, are two bedrooms with ceiling fans, each with a full bathroom and separate dressing area and large closets. You will want to hurry to the end of the hall to see what is waiting for you! There is a huge gameroom offering a wall of built in shelves, cabinets and drawers, a wet bar and ample a place for your next party! Add a pool table, couches and chairs! There is another porch where you can entertain or keep your pets. Continue through the gameroom to your next surprise! A fully equipped sequestered bedroom with an entire kitchen including a full bathroom and walk-in closet! There is also a door leading to a garage with one oversized parking space (room for a workbench) and a shorter parking bay for a smaller car or storage. Outside the garage, there is a gated parking pad for a boat or RV.

Have a long day? Head to your sequestered master suite by the formal living room and enjoy your own fireplace. Want to get in the sunken jetted tub but hate to leave your fire? No problem, as the fireplace is two sided and is open to the bathroom as well. A skylight overhead helps to light dual dressing areas and sinks, and a built in dresser provides bonus clothing storage. Two doors lead to a huge wrap around his and hers walk-through closet where you will find even more built-ins to keep you organized.

Additional amenities to this home include: automatic garage door opener, security system, water softener, three tankless water heaters, water well with pump, four and one half garages plus extra parking pads, jetted tub and Plantation shutters, pool/spa, RV hookup and cul de sac location.

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A very important question to ask when purchasing a home. With new times and technology, come new issues. With most home sales what is attached or built-in is considered part of the sale. This includes landscaping, mirrors, light fixtures, appliances, window coverings, and gas fire logs, just to mention a few. But what about those flat screen TV's & Speakers mounted on the wall? The solution to this is being ahead of the game to prevent problems when selling or buying. Your Realtor can help you to foresee problems before they come, and help you avoid future complications. The point is that you can't leave this issue up in the air and hope it works out in your favor. Your Realtor can help you to specify in writing what stays and what goes. Better to be safe than sorry.



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Rents ContinueTo Rise

The apartment vacancy rate is at its lowest level since late 2001 as the rental market continues to soar, according to the latest fourth-quarter data by Reis Inc. As demand increases, the vacancy rate for apartments dropped in the fourth quarter to 5.2 percent compared to 6.6 percent a year prior. "Multifamily property has been the star of the real-estate sector for more than a year, generating profits for landlords but headaches for renters struggling with the economic downturn," an article in The Wall Street Journal notes. "Demand has swelled from people being foreclosed out of their houses as well as those unable or unwilling to buy."

Landlords are also raising their rents. Asking rents moved up 0.4 percent in the fourth quarter, averaging $1,064 a month nationwide — compared to $1,026 in 2009. New York City continued to have the highest rent in the country at $2,876 a month. Meanwhile, as the rental market takes off, builders are rushing to play catch up in building new units to meet the demand. In 2011, Zelman & Associates estimates that more than 173,000 units were started, and about 225,000 and 280,000 starts are expected in 2012 and 2013...• *Source: The Wall Street Journal*



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Some of a home's features can't be changed. Location and age first come to mind. Other features can be modified at great expense and hassle, like adding a second story or replacing the flooring. And then there are those little touches that don't cost much—maybe nothing but a little time—that can improve the impression your home makes on potential buyers … whether they're viewing the home in person or in photos online.

Simplify to show off your home's assets

You know that when deciding to list your home you should pay attention to curb appeal and remove clutter. But did you know there's another way to give yourself the best chance at selling quickly and for the highest possible price? That's where home staging comes in. The goal of staging is to arrange furniture and accessories so they play up your home's features and allow buyers to see themselves living there. Staging works best when someone with a practiced eye evaluates your home to give you tips to make it more saleable. It's a good idea to work with a professional stager because most people have a hard time seeing their own home with the detachment necessary to make good staging decisions. You may think your wall filled with family photos shows the nice personal touch of a loving home. But a home stager can objectively point out that such a display makes it that much harder for prospective buyers to picture themselves in the home.

Don't take it personally

It's important to remember that staging your home is different than decorating it. When you hire a decorator, he should take into account your style preferences and lifestyle. When it comes to staging a home, though, it's all about helping potential buyers focus on the property's best features while minimizing the less attractive ones. A stager may recommend moving or removing some of your furnishings or making changes to the décor. He may even bring in new furniture or suggest accessories that can make a difference. You might also get advice about updating the paint colors. Any ideas he offers are to reach the goal of selling your home.

Where do you find an expert?

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Once you decide to sell your home, it's not about you anymore; it's about the people who will consider buying your home. And the better the impression your house makes on buyers, the closer you will be to making a sale. For expert advice about selling your home, ask your REALTOR®



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Should I Remodel or Sell 'As Is'

By Jeff Hammerberg

This question is a common headache for many homeowners when placing their home on the market. On one hand, a remodel could create a diamond in the rough, and possibly even encourage a faster sale. On another, selling as-is in a competitive market could save months of listing time if priced right.

When You Should Remodel

Analyzing your competition can be a great way to gain insight into what buyers are looking for in your market. It's easy to assume a feature or amenity should immediately increase the value of your home. In some cases it will, but many times a remodel will only bring your home to the market readiness of other similar homes in your neighborhood.

You should consider remodeling a room in your home if any of the following applies:

1) When analyzing sold history and currently active homes on the market, you find that this particular remodel is commonly found.

2) The room is in dire need of attention and a simple clean up won't suffice to get it market-ready.

3) When analyzing sold history, a predominant higher price is offered for homes with this particular remodel.

You're likely to never recoup the entire cost of a remodel, but getting your home up to par may be necessary to sell your home in a reasonable amount of time.

When You Should Sell As Is

If your home can be considered a "benchmark" home, or a home that is already loaded with amenities not commonly found in your market, you should consider selling as-is. While a pricey remodel will certainly make your home shine during an open house, it usually costs more than it's worth.

You should consider selling your home as-is if your home meets any of the following criteria:

1) The average price per square foot in your market is deteriorating (down market).

2) Your home can be considered a "benchmark" home, or a home that has more features and amenities than the competition.

3) Your home is already on par with other active properties in the area.

The Rule of Thumb

First, ensure that your home meets the standard set by the competition currently for sale in your market. If your home is not up to par, you should consider remodeling.

If your home shares the same features and amenities as its competition, then you should consider selling as-is to avoid leaving any money on the table. A remodel is always a nice selling feature, but many times it does not make financial sense and is simply a waste of time.

Take the time to get with your real estate agent to analyze your competition, and base your decision on what buyers are demanding in your particular real estate market.

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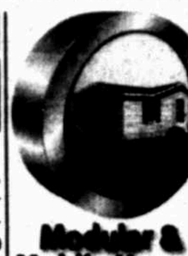
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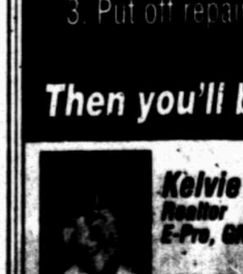
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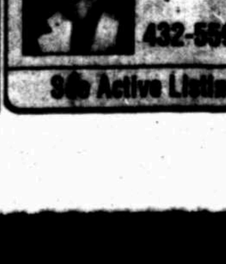
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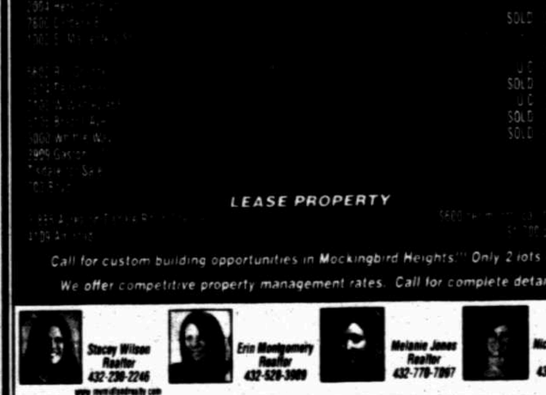
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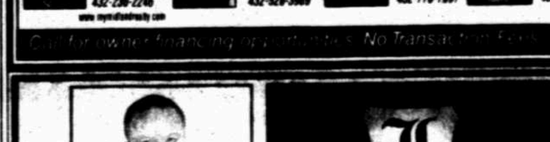
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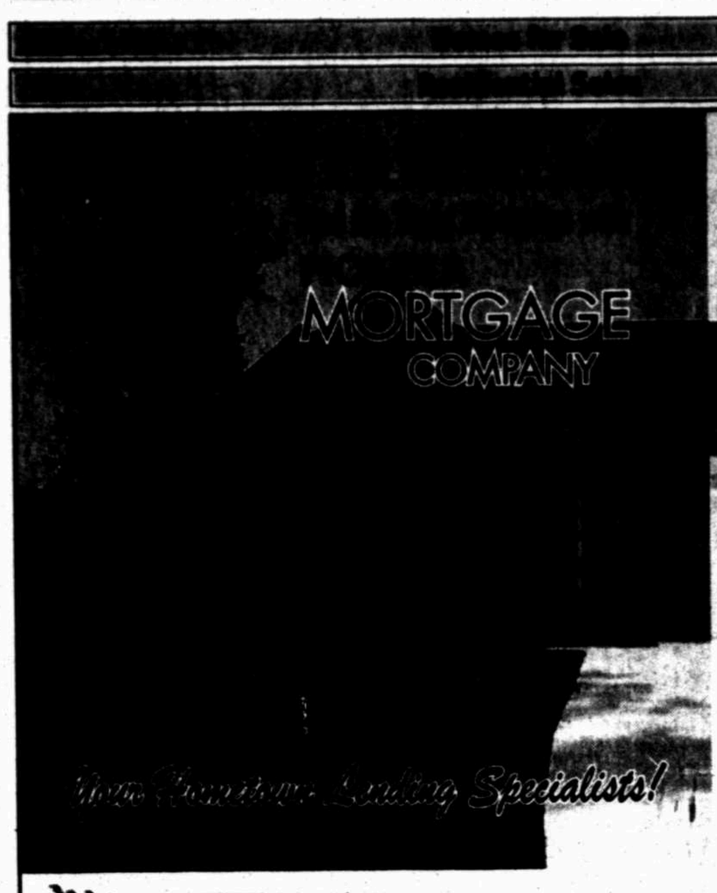


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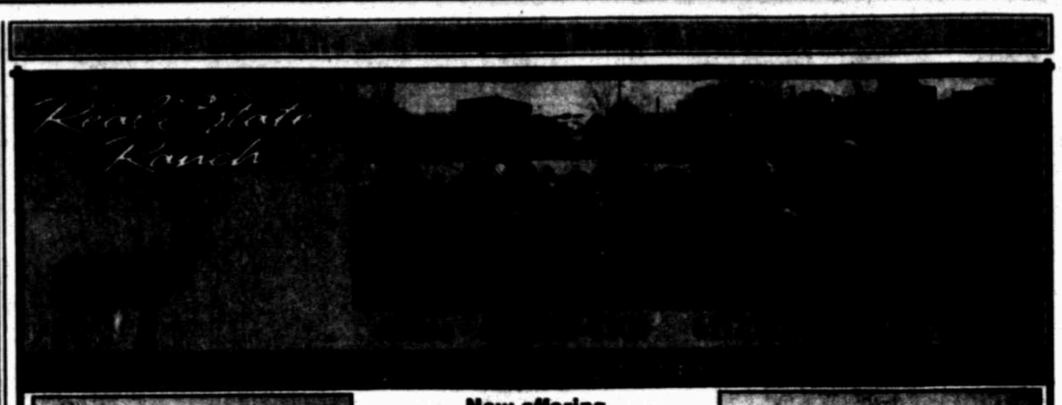
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5600 Cavendish-The absolutely stunning home, zoned both residentially and commercially, is located on a corner lot in Grassland Estates! The gourmet kitchen features an island, pantry, double ovens, & breakfast bar! The spectacular backyard is huge and lushly landscaped, w/a beautiful pool & waterfall! The studio space is spacious and open, w/adjacent office spaces that have amazing built-ins & storage space! $799,900

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6321 Haywood-NEW-Absolutely spectacular 5 bed/3.5 bath in Grassland West! Custom granite throughout, soaring ceilings w/stacked crown molding, walls of windows w/plantation shutters! UAC...$575,000

5109 Teahwood Trace-NEW-Immaculate 4 bedroom in Green Tree! Gourmet kitchen w/granite, stainless steel appliances, pantry, breakfast bar & island! UAC...$469,000

6505 Gladiola-New construction. Adorable 4 bed/2.5 bath home! Soaring ceilings, walls of windows, miles of tile, gourmet kitchen, granite countertops in kitchen and baths! To be completed April 2012! $319,900

4009 Woodhollow-Lovely 4 bedroom in Briarwood! Miles of tile, soaring ceilings, plantation shutters and walls of bright windows! The open floor plan makes this home perfect for entertaining! The kitchen features a breakfast bar! UAC...$299,900

3106 Metz-Spacious 4 bedroom on a quiet cul-de-sac! This home features fabulous updates, gleaming hardwood floors and towering brick fireplace! The kitchen has granite countertops, breakfast bar, island, beautiful backsplash, and dark stained cabinets! The master bathroom is newly updated, with a beautiful shower and walk-in closet! $229,900

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10614 WCR 143 ½-NEW-Lovely 3 bed/2 bath w/33 fruit & nut trees, 3 patios, and is located on top of the Ogalala Aquifer! Wood floors, recent updates, bright windows, and French doors leading out to private patios and a huge yard w/storage shed! $175,000

1009 "D" St.-Darling 3 bed/2 bath home on a corner lot! Custom lighting, bright windows, & brick fireplace! Entrance is thru a lovely courtyard! Spacious master bed w/bright windows, access to 4th courtyard & a private bath! UAC...$169,900

2503 Idelwilde-Charming 2 bed/2 bath w/walls of windows (plantation shutters!), bright skylights, & built-ins! Open den area w/cozy brick fireplace and direct access to the formal dining! The lovely kitchen features large pantry, dishwasher, disposal & adjacent breakfast dining! Seq master suite is spacious & has double sinks, sep shower and tub! $155,000

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5015 Blue Haven-NEW-Adorable 3 bed/2 bath home! The cozy living area is open to the formal dining! Darling kitchen w/abundant cabinet space! Spacious guest bedrooms! UAC IN 1 DAY!...$135,000

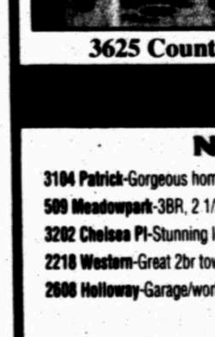
14905 ECR 104-NEW-This adorable 2' bed/1.5 bath home sits on 4.3 acres and is just minutes from Greenwood schools! The first living area is open to the spacious kitchen and the large second living area is perfect for media, music or game room! The 2 car carport has attached storage! Landscaped with mature trees! $110,000

4700 Boulder #307-A lovely downstairs condo unit with recent updates; some of which include a designer kitchen and bath, cabinets, counters, and tile floors! The darling kitchen has recent black appliances, pantry, microwave, and is open to the large living area with access (through French doors!) into the private patio and yard! $49,900

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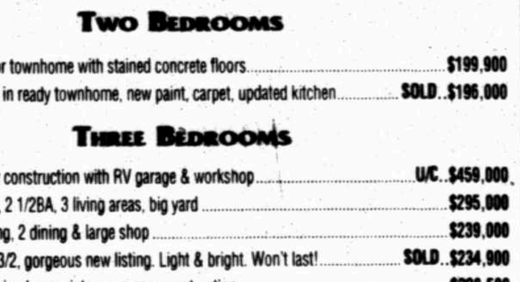
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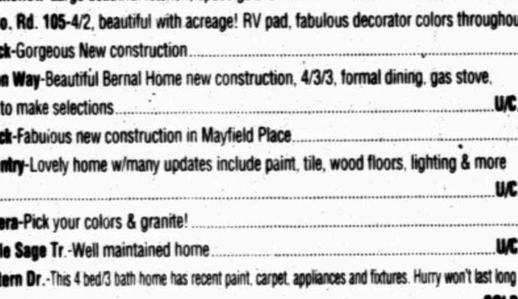
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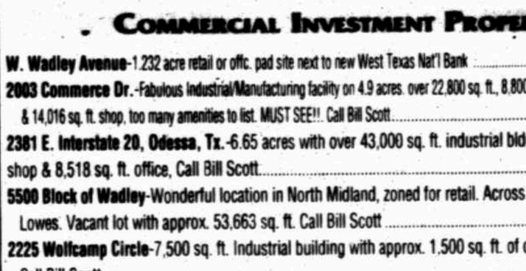
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509 Meadowpark Dr. - $295,500



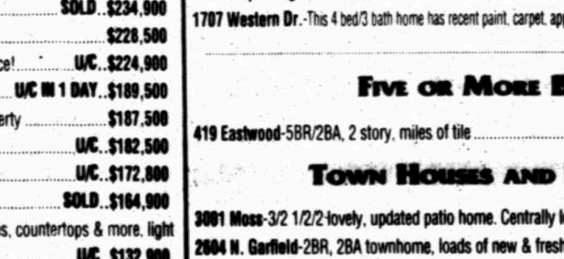
1616 Dengar - $239,000



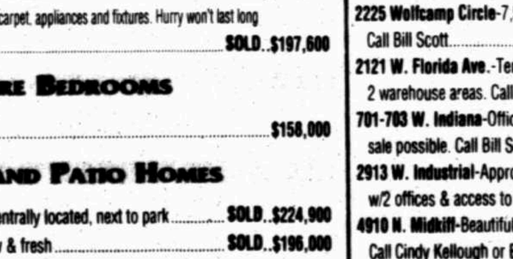
2608 Holloway - $109,000



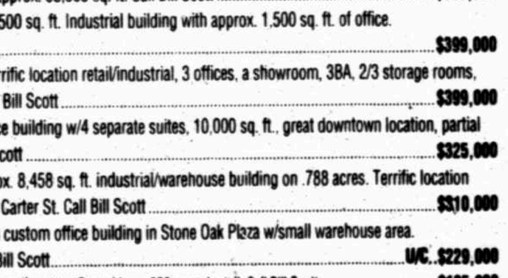
3625 Country Club Rd. - $850,000



3202 Chelsea Pl. - $228,500



419 Eastwood - $158,000



2218 Western - $199,900

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New and Reduced Listings

3104 Patrick-Gorgeous home in Mayfield Place $329,900
500 Meadowpark-3BR, 2 1/2BA, 3 living areas, big yard $295,000
3202 Chelsea Pl-Stunning low maintenance new construction $228,500
2218 Western-Great 2br townhome with stained concrete floors $199,900
2608 Holloway-Garage/workshop. 3BR/1BA $109,000

Two Bedrooms

2218 Western-Great 2br townhome with stained concrete floors $199,900
2604 N. Garfield-Move in ready townhome, new paint, carpet, updated kitchen SOLD...$196,000

Three Bedrooms

6516 Gladiola-3/3 new construction with RV garage & workshop U/C...$459,000
509 Meadowpark-3BR, 2 1/2BA, 3 living areas, big yard $295,000
1016 W. Dengar-2 living, 2 dining & large shop $239,000
5407 Rio Grande Ave-3/2, gorgeous new listing. Light & bright. Won't last! SOLD...$234,900
3202 Chelsea Pl-Stunning low maintenance new construction $228,500
3001 Moss-3/2 1/2/2 lovely updated townhouse. Don't miss this one! Great price! U/C...$224,900
3308 Edgemont Dr U/C IN 1 DAY...$189,500
1901 W. Ohio Ave.-A must see 3 bd/2 bth, heavily renovated Old Midland property $187,500
5308 Anetta-Great home built in 2007 with 16x24 shop U/C...$182,500
1918 N. Tyler-Gorgeous Designer Home...Must See! U/C...$172,000
1108 Ainslee-Light & bright/hardwood floors, 3bd, 2-1/2 bath SOLD...$164,900
504 Parkwood Dr-Ready for immediate move in with fresh paint, carpet, fixtures, countertops & more, light and bright w/excellent storage plus 2 car garage for only U/C...$132,900
510 Parkwood-Gorgeous 3BR, 2BA remodel, newer paint, tile, granite, crown molding, workshop, extra covered parking, 2 garage. Hurry! SOLD...$125,000
4307 Pasadena-3BR/2BA, den/playroom, fresh paint $114,000
2608 Holloway-3/1, well kept! Garage/workshop $109,000
3522 W. Shandon-New, fixer upper 3br, 2ba U/C IN 1 DAY...$100,000
1001 S. Weatherford-3bd, 2ba SOLD...$87,900

Four Bedrooms

1206 Breckenridge-Woodruff construction with every update imagineable - great plan; beautiful decor, all the bells & whistles U/C...$459,500
2000 N. H St.-Fabulous versatile plan in Old Midland. Oversized island kitchen, large master w/fireplace, lovely yard w/pool, detached 3 car garage! $384,900
4501 Woodhollow-Large beautiful kitchen, space galore! U/C...$350,000
10302 E. Co. Rd. 105-4/2, beautiful with acreage! RV pad, fabulous decorator colors throughout! $340,000
3104 Patrick-Gorgeous New construction $329,900
2703 Parton Way-Beautiful Bernal Home new construction, 4/3/3, formal dining, gas stove, still time to make selections U/C...$329,500
3228 Patrick-Fabulous new construction in Mayfield Place $304,900
1407 Daventry-Lovely home w/many updates include paint, tile, wood floors, lighting & more U/C...$274,500
2801 Caldera-Pick your colors & granite! $234,000
2812 Purple Sage Tr.-Well maintained home U/C...$209,900
1707 Western Dr.-This 4 bed/3 bath home has recent paint, carpet, appliances and fixtures. Hurry won't last long SOLD...$197,500

Five or More Bedrooms

419 Eastwood-5BR/2BA, 2 story, miles of tile $158,000

Town Homes and Patio Homes

3001 Moss-3/2 1/2/2 lovely, updated patio home. Centrally located, next to park SOLD...$224,900
2604 N. Garfield-2BR, 2BA townhome, loads of new & fresh SOLD...$196,000

Lots, Land and Acreage

Loop 250 & I-20-approx. 20 acres, call Bill Scott $850,000
64 Lincoln Park-San Angelo lot & boat house, Lake Nasworthy $179,000
900 W. Cuthbert-Build new in Old Midland, hard to find location $125,000
1000 W. Texas-Good downtown lot, loads of possibilities $59,500

New Construction

6516 Gladiola-3/3 new construction with RV garage & workshop U/C...$459,000
3104 Patrick-Gorgeous home in Mayfield Place $329,900
2703 Parton Way-Beautiful new construction by Bernal Homes. 4/3/3 U/C...$329,500
3228 Patrick-Beautiful 4/3/3, now complete $304,900
2801 Caldera-Pick your colors & granite! $234,000
3202 Chelsea Pl-Stunning low maintenance new construction $228,500

Commercial Investment Property

W. Wadley Avenue-1.232 acre retail or offc. pad site next to new West Texas Nat'l Bank Call Bill Scott
2903 Commerce Dr.-Fabulous Industrial/Manufacturing facility on 4.9 acres. over 22,800 sq. ft., 8,800 sq. ft. office space & 14,016 sq. ft. shop, too many amenities to list. MUST SEE!! Call Bill Scott $2,100,000
2381 E. Interstate 20, Odessa, Tx.-6.65 acres with over 43,000 sq. ft. industrial bldg. 34,718 sq. ft. shop & 8,518 sq. ft. office, Call Bill Scott $1,600,000
5500 Block of Wadley-Wonderful location in North Midland, zoned for retail. Across from Lowes. Vacant lot with approx. 53,663 sq. ft. Call Bill Scott $845,000
2225 Wolfcamp Circle-7,500 sq. ft. Industrial building with approx. 1,500 sq. ft. of office. Call Bill Scott $399,000
2121 W. Florida Ave.-Terrific location retail/industrial, 3 offices, a showroom, 3BA, 2/3 storage rooms, 2 warehouse areas. Call Bill Scott $399,000
701-703 W. Indiana-Office building w/4 separate suites, 10,000 sq. ft., great downtown location, partial sale possible. Call Bill Scott $325,000
2913 W. Industrial-Approx. 8,458 sq. ft. industrial/warehouse building on .788 acres. Terrific location w/2 offices & access to Carter St. Call Bill Scott $310,000
4910 N. Midkiff-Beautiful custom office building in Stone Oak Plaza w/small warehouse area. Call Cindy Kellough or Bill Scott U/C...$229,000
Andrews Hwy.-2.0 acre tract of land just East of Loop 250, zoned retail, Call Bill Scott $125,000

Out of Town Properties

109 Bay Point, Horseshoe Bay, TX-Fabulous waterfront home including furnishings! $3,150,000
3625 Country Club/San Angelo-Fabulous! Lake Front home, Southwestern life $850,000
64 Lincoln Park-San Angelo, lot & boat house, Lake Nasworthy $179,000



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WHAT'S THE HOLDUP?

QUESTION:

My son bid on a short sale over six months ago for a house with the right price, location and size. The lender has a lien on the property that was supposed to be addressed within the first two months of the bid. It hasn't happened. Is there anyplace we can get a positive answer and not a total runaround?

ANSWER:

The owners want to sell. Since short sale owners owe more than the house is worth they need the lender's agreement to let them out of the mortgage without demanding cash at closing.

Your son – the buyer – has found a great house at a good price. The reason the price is so good is the assumption that the lender will accept a loss.

Now imagine that you are the lender. Would you rush to say yes? Only if you could assure that you were getting the highest possible price and the smallest loss. As a lender you would want to check the market value and you might also want to see what other assets the seller has that might be used to satisfy the debt.

Demanding an instant answer from the lender may not help your son. The lender can just say no and allow the property to foreclose.

Logically, the lender should choose the option that yields the best financial result. The catch is that what seems like the best financial option is not a sure thing – real estate brokers report situations where lenders turned down short sale offers only to foreclose and later sell the property at a severe discount.

The right alternative for the seller and your son is to show the lender that the offered price is the best available, that a short sale is a better option for the lender when compared with a foreclosure and that delaying the sale could result in the lender owning the property – something it does not want.

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AGENTS



HELPING WITH THE HUNT

NEW HOMEBUYERS AREN'T THE ONLY ONES WHO NEED A HELPING HAND. RENTER'S CAN BENEFIT FROM AGENTS, TOO

By MARILYN KENNEDY MELIA
CTW FEATURES

Maybe you need to relocate for a job right away. Perhaps your current lease will expire soon and you hope to find a quieter building. Maybe you're thinking of renting instead of buying if there's a family-friendly place.

Whatever the reason, it can be a daunting task to find an appropriate rental.

Today, increasingly sophisticated technological tools can help, as well as professionals who are well-versed in a particular market.

But the help available can depend on where you're looking and the type of place you're looking to rent.

Here, a guide to finding rental guidance:

AGENT ASSISTANCE

In larger cities like New York and Boston, agents, who are paid by the renter, are sometimes used.

This approach is probably most common in Manhattan, where agents know the tight market well, explains Gary Malin, president of Citi Habitats in New York.

In New York, the average fee for this help is about 15 percent of the first year's rent, says Malin. An agent should be able to help you find listings as they pop up, and find places that match your priorities, he adds.

A possible downside is that an agent may show only inventory he has a representing relationship with, says Margette Getto of Apartment Guide, an apartment-search service.

How will you know if agents who specialize in apartment rentals are active in a certain area? Simply entering "apartment rental" and an area in an Internet search engine will lead to leasing agents' ads. Given the cost to renters, agents tend to be in popular or pricey neighborhoods.

EMERGING MARKETS

Many realty firms may have handled home sales, but now some sellers have decided to rent out their home or condo rather than continue selling in this tough market, notes Jim Gramata, a broker with @Properties, Chicago.

Agents who also list homes for sale will then include the property as a rental in the multiple listing service, Gramata adds.

For rental shoppers, particularly those who may be interested in a single family home, asking a real estate agent for help might yield properties you can't find on free sites, like Realtor.com, Gramata adds. And, the real estate agent is paid by the owner through the brokerage, not the renter, he says.

More rental shoppers start on the Web – although printed ads and rental magazines are still actively read, says Bollinger.

Craigslist.org is a popular site, although not the only one for comprehensive listings. Simply entering terms like "one-bedroom apartment" and a locale into a search engine will usually yield many sites.

Apartment listings sites then offer click-throughs to sites run by individual apartment complexes, where you can find floor plans, explains Marcia Bollinger of ApartmentFinder.com.

Often sites link to Facebook, where renters can find information from current residents, Bollinger adds. Sites like Yelp.com also offer opinions by residents.

Don't rely on online photos to select a rental; make a visit [ideally at different times of day], caution experts. Now, many sites offer apps whereby you can walk street and rental availabilities pop up as you pass.

WHAT RENTERS NEED TO KNOW

When you rent without an agent, ask as many questions as possible – about fees, move-in policies, living rules, etc., and read before signing the lease.

"It's amazing how people don't read the lease and don't pay attention to the apartment staff when they review the lease during a walk-through and then are surprised by rules, like if you don't give notice by a certain date your lease will automatically renew," Gwyn warns.

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GREEN WORK GROWING

Survey shows big numbers for green building and remodeling in 2011 – with even bigger numbers on the horizon



Going green is a growing trend in homebuilding that doesn't show any sign of wilting.

Green homes accounted for 17 percent of the overall residential construction market in 2011, according to a new Green Home Builders and Remodelers Study released by McGraw-Hill Construction. The study also predicts green construction to grow to between 29 percent and 38 percent of the residential-construction market by 2016. By value, this would be a five-fold increase from $17 billion in 2011 to between $87 billion and $114 billion.

According to he study, construction-industry pros report an even larger increase in green remodeling. Remodelers expect to be doing mostly green work by 2016, a 150-percent increase over 2011.

Due to the huge drop in home construction during the Great Recession many homebuilders have segued into the remodeling market. Of the builders who do both new and remodeling work, 62 percent say the economy has increased the amount of work they're doing.

The study shows construction pros are seeing the benefit in green building. Forty-six percent of remodelers and builders say "building green" makes it easier to market themselves in a stagnant economy; 61 percent of builders and 66 percent of remodelers also say buyers will pay more for green homes.

By 2016, builders anticipate they will be dedicated to green-building work on more than 90 percent of projects; 33 percent expect to be dedicated to green work in 2016, up from 17 percent in 2011. As for remodeling growth, 22 percent of remodelers say they will be dedicated to green work in 2016, nearly triple the 8 percent who report being dedicated to green jobs in 2011.

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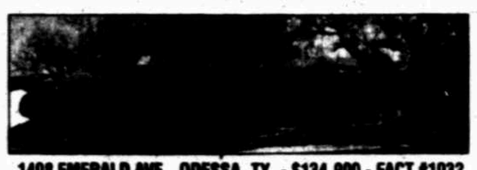
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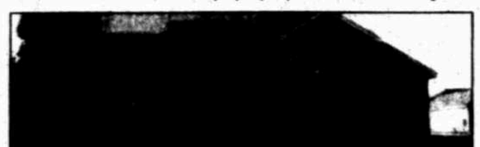
1408 EMERALD AVE., ODESSA, TX. - $134,900 - FACT #1032
Very well maintained home w/beautiful landscaped yard perfect for cooking out & enjoying the tranquil backyard setting.



7400 W I-20, MIDLAND, TX. - $3,970,000
LOCATION!!! Prime Commercial property located in Midland County off I-20 and CR 1250. Mos of property is paved with sec. fencing.



1606 N J ST. - $155,000
Charming Old Midland home! 2 bedrooms, 3 baths & 3 living areas. Wonderful den with fireplace!



6917 ROBBIE RD., ODESSA, TX. - $275,000 - FACT #1019
4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. Fireplace in living area. Master bedroom has dual sinks, separate tub.



2609 W. CUTHBERT AVE. - $128,500 - FACT #1026
Wonderful home in central location! This cute little cottage has three bedrooms, one and a half baths and a nice large living & dining area.



808 #52 LIDDON - $49,000 - FACT #2364
Perfect for your returning college students. A great rental property for investors, perfect for small family or single person.



1703 DOUGLAS AVE. - $375,000 - FACT #1024
WOW! Stunning contemporary, vaulted beamed ceilings, clear-story lighting, two fireplace, brick walls, walk-in wet bar.



13613 W. CO. RD. 123 - $132,000 - FACT #1027
Nice home in great area. Roof is 3 years old, recent fold out windows. Woodburning FP in living area & FP in master uses propane.



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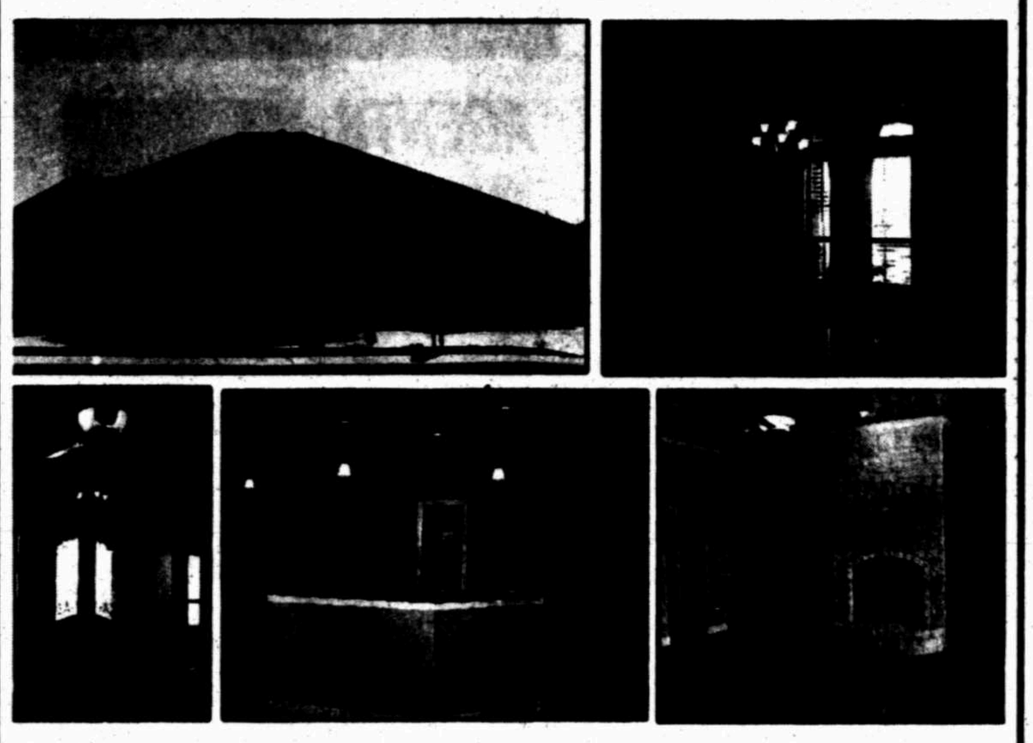


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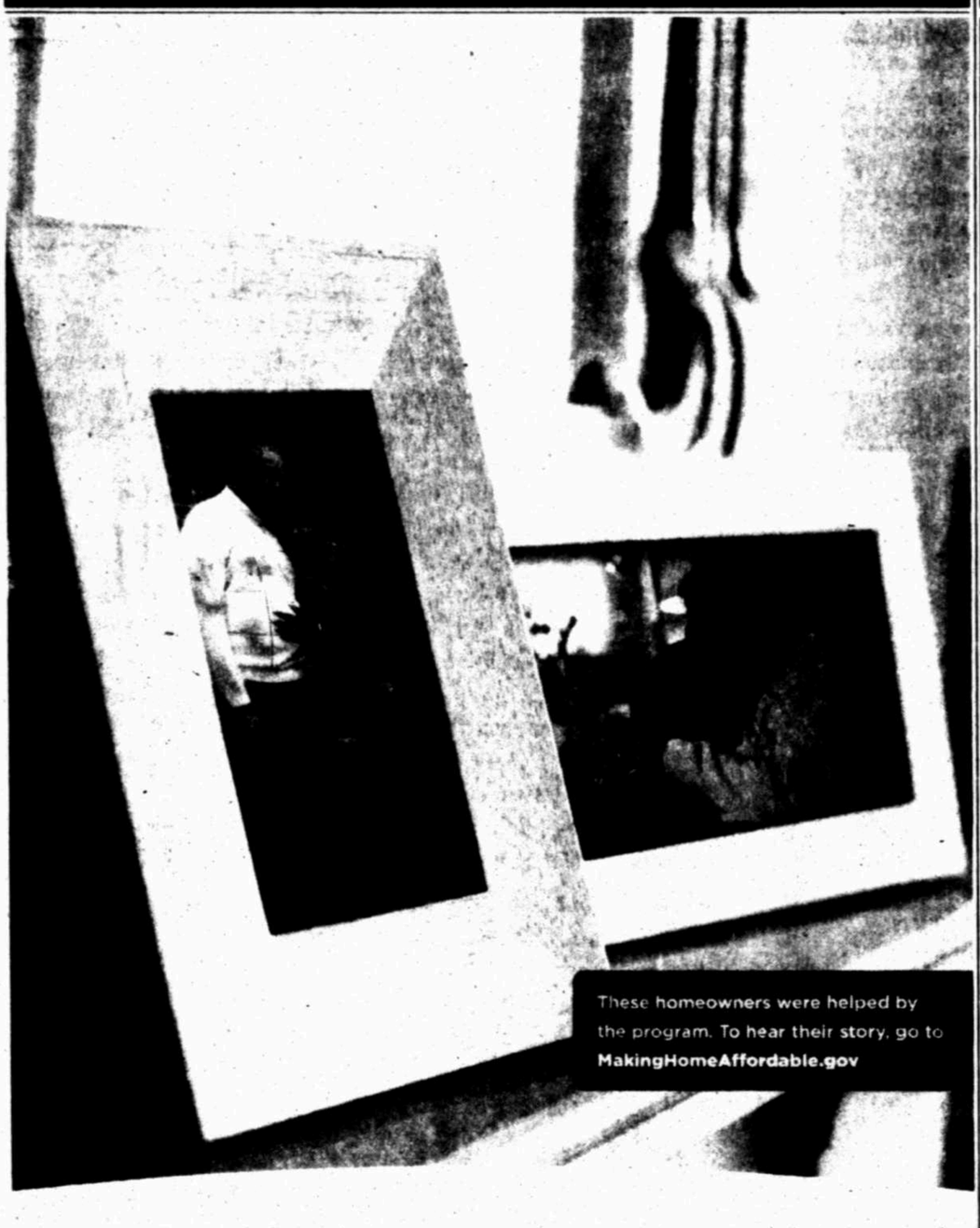


1103 Castle Rock-Breathtaking New Construction offers 4 Bdrms, 3 1/2 Bths, Open Living, Kitchen and Breakfast Nook, plus Gameroom & Formal Dining. 10' Double Iron Doors, Hand Textured Walls with Rounded Corners, Austin Stone Fireplace, Gourmet Kitchen w/Granite, Center Island, Stainless Appliances! Circle Drive & 3 Car Garage 3,309 sq ft...**$469,900**



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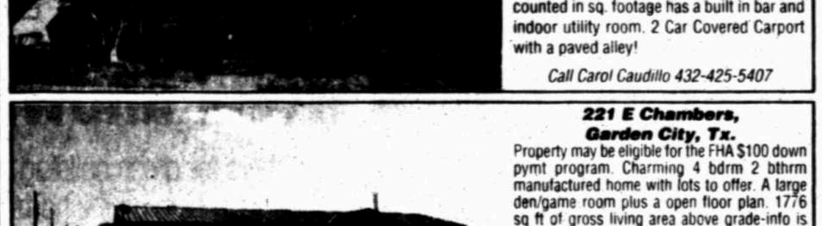
1415 Pacific Avenue, Midland, Tx.
Come home to this Texas sized Living Room with corner fireplace. Great porch entrance plus tiled floor that leads you into the inviting Living Room. Four bedrooms with Master sequestered side. His and Hers closets, garden tub and shower complete the Master Bath. Open Kitchen with tiled breakfast bar and area. Indoor utility room and good size fenced backyard for privacy. This community has homes all built around the same time from 2008-2010
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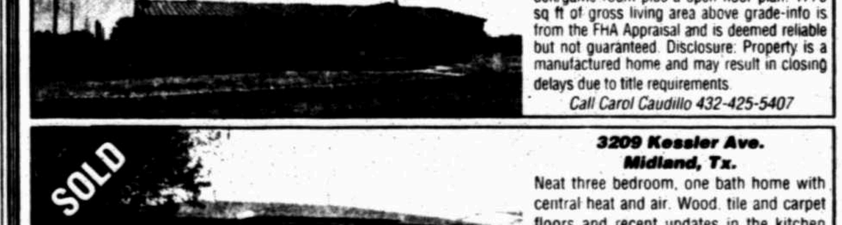
302 Oxford Dr., Midland, Tx.
Spacious open living room with fireplace. Kitchen has breakfast area plus bar. Very clean home, mostly tiled through out and all new interior paint. Garage is converted and counted in sq. footage has a built in bar and indoor utility room. 2 Car Covered Carport with a paved alley!
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221 E Chambers, Garden City, Tx.
Property may be eligible for the FHA $100 down pymt program. Charming 4 bdrm 2 bthrm manufactured home with lots to offer. A large den/game room plus a open floor plan. 1776 sq ft of gross living area above grade-info is from the FHA Appraisal and is deemed reliable but not guaranteed. Disclosure: Property is a manufactured home and may result in closing delays due to title requirements.
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3209 Kessler Ave. Midland, Tx.
Neat three bedroom, one bath home with central heat and air. Wood, tile and carpet floors and recent updates in the kitchen and bath. Features a large backyard, wood fence and storage building. 1,071 square feet-information is from the FHA Appraisal and is deemed reliable but not guaranteed.
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5509 Los Patios Midland, Tx.
Beautiful home in Los Patios, 4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, living room with fireplace. Formal dining and breakfast area. 3 car attached garages with third car garage insulated so may be made into play or game room.
Call Andy Shipman 432-638-7760

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3002 Vermont Midland, Tx.
Cul-de-sac street! Single story beauty with a very spacious open all tiled kitchen with easy access to the backyard. Neutral colors thru-out, open living room, utility room and sequestered Master bedroom with double closet. A MUST SEE!
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4604 ILLINOIS
3 bedrooms 1 and a half baths in Wilshire park. 2 living areas. 1 car garage. Recent paint, carpet and tile. $127,500. Call Carol.

2510 FRONTIER
Absolutely stunning home in Fannin district - 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 car garage. Custom ash cabinets along with granite countertops and stainless appliances in kitchen. Oak hand floors and Settles tile. $380,000. Please call Kerri at 553-2443.

2307 METZ
Absolutely fabulous 4 bedroom/2.5 Bath home in Goddard Heights. Very nicely updated. 16x34 workshop/garage/544 sqft bottom floor with 544 sqft top floor. Roomy storage shed. $295,000. Call Kerri.

WORKSHOP

6.71 Acres
Boal Park Road
$876,864
CALL DEBORAH

UNDER CONTRACT

228 E. CIRCLE
3 bedroom 2 bath 2 car garage built in 2006. What a find for $149,000. Please call Carol

4201 NELSON
A great roomy patio home in the just right location! Shady trees in back to put a chill on summer and a cozy fireplace in the den/On the go?...Low maintenance. Lots of potential! Carport around back pull on in and your home! $128,000. Call James.

UNDER CONTRACT

1010 MARIETTA
Stunning custom built home with four bedrooms three full baths and a three car garage. Tile throughout the entire house. $248,000. Please call Cindy.

UNDER CONTRACT

6404 CARNATION
Incredible home on 2 acres - granite kitchen - 2 greenspaces plus indoor pool with living area and pool pool - unquestioned master suite with separate office - large family room with office plus living room - this is truly spectacular - dont miss it. $695,000. Please call James.

SOLD

4510 FAIRBANKS
Charming 4bed/2 bath/1 living/2 dining/2 car garage home in fairmont park! features soaring ceilings,crown molding,bright windows,incredible built-ins, hardwood floors, tile & carpet & tons of closet space thru-out! $215,000. Please call Kerri at 553-7443.

SOLD

5209 OAK VALLEY DR.
Absolutely fabulous 4 bedroom 3 bath home in greathouse addition. Beautiful open floor plan with high ceilings, crown molding and rounded corners. 3 Car garage. Call Cindy. $312,000.

SOLD

3313 STANOLIND AVE.
Cul-de-sac location on beautiful tree lined street in mur ter brook. Tons of space and storage. 2 Living areas one with wood burning fireplace. 2 dining areas, big kitchen with lots of cabinets, 4 large bedrooms with lots of closet space, 2 full size bathrooms and a large patio room. $302,000. Owner Agent. Call Cindy at 413-8494.

3101 THOMAS
Lot of house for the money - 4 bedrooms, bath and a half - huge corner lot - new carpet in bedrooms and new vinyl in kitchen - hardwood floors in living area - lots of room for the money. $94,500. Call Kerri

NEW LISTING

510 MADISON
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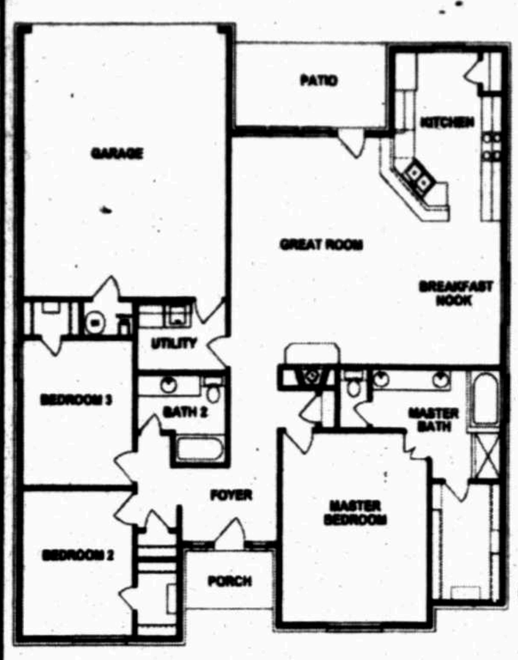
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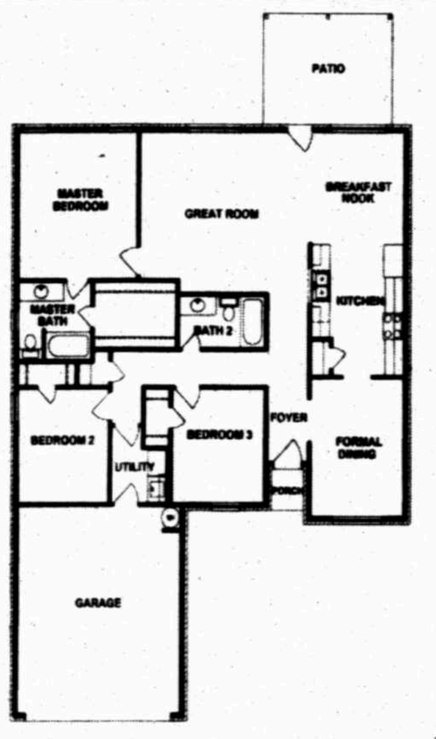
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2 BEDROOMS

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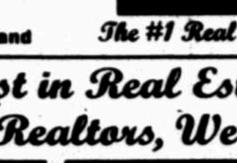
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3616 Bassman-4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 Living Areas, Recent heating & cooling (2 units) recent dishwasher & microwave! Charming home in Great Shape!!! ..... **New Listing! $199,900**

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1100 S Dewberry-4 Bedroom, 1.5 Bath. Many Updates, recent kitchen cabinetry, dishwasher, carpet, lighting, cermaic tile, furnace ..... **New Listing! $122,000**

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808 Palomino-3 Huge Bedrooms, 2 Bath, 4 Living Areas!!! Gorgeous gated community in Saddle Club! Totally no maintenance home. Sequestered master w/Luxurious European shower! Fantastic entertaining home! ..... **New Price! $549,900**

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10700 E Cr Rd 186-3 Bedroom, 2 Bath in Greenwood! Charming Country Life on Half an Acre. Lots of Updates! ..... **New Listing! $169,900**

3600 Permian Ct-3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Corner Lot. So many updates!!! Granite throughout, tile backsplash, stainless appliances, hardwood flooring, new fixtures! Too To Much To List! ..... **Sold! $160,000**

1005 Ward-3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2 Living Areas in Fannin District! Open Concept. Large workshop w/electricity! ..... **New Listing! $169,900**

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1705 N Garfield-3 Bedroom, 1 Bath Cottage, Large Living Area, Circle Drive, 1,852 sqft. ..... **New Price! $118,500**

1309 W. Michigan Ave-2 Bedroom, 1 Bath, Totally redone! Fresh paint throughout, new cabinets in kitchen, stainless appliances including refrigerator! ..... **Sale Pending! $114,000**

4613 Mercedes-3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2 Car Garage, 1,331 sqft. Some Interior Updating! ..... **Sale Pending! $114,000**

3500 Post Up-3 Bedroom, 1.5 Bath, 1 Car Garage. Big open kitchen & living room! Perfect Starter Home! ..... **Sale Pending! $114,000**

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6501 Hwy 158-Great Multiple Use Commercial Property! Total 1,500 sqft. 3 Bathrooms, three 12' overhead doors. Currently used as a feed store. Call Sabrina for more info! ..... **New Price! $350,000**

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5101 San Antonio-NEW-great 3 bed/2 bath/2 garage on corner lot in northgate. Tiled entry leads to large living area w/beamed ceiling & fireplace. Spacious kitchen w/recent appliances & lots of cabinets. Oversized utility room w/lots of storage & desk area. Recent paint, wood-look flooring (no carpet) spacious master w/dual sinks & closets! Backyard has mature trees, patio area & tranquil pond **$195,000**

4+ BEDROOMS

5303 Greathouse-New construction in greathouse boasts 4 bed/3 bath/1 living/2 dining & 3 car gar! 4th bed is larger & opens to patio making a great media/gameroom! Spacious living w/brick fireplace & crown moulding. Gourmet kitchen opens to living and offers granite countertops, island, skylight, stone backsplash & stainless appliances. Sequestered master suite with wrap around closet. Beautiful iron front door ..... **&MD...$344,000**

5307 Greathouse-New in greathouse! 4 bed/3 ba/1 living /2 dining + 3 car gar! (4th bed is larger & opens to patio, it could be media/game room) spacious living w/fireplace & crown molding. Gourmet kitchen is open to living area & has granite island, skylight, stainless appliances. 2 ovens, gas cooktop & stone backsplash. Sequestered master suite w/vaulted bath ceiling, jetted tub, 2 vanities & wrap around closet ..... **&MD...$339,000**

2507 Keswick-Absolutely fabulous 3 bed/2.5 Bath/2 gar. On corner lot! Large living area w/beamed ceiling, tile, stone fireplace (2 sides w/gas logs) spacious den w/ba that overlooks patio & yard. Sep. Master w/slate floors, jetted tub, dual sinks & walk-in closets. Formal dining w/hardwood floors, open kitchen w/recent cabinets, ct, stainless & 2 ovens. Recent windows, hvac ('09). Circle drive w/mature trees ..... **&MD...$259,000**

2007 Durant-Beautiful 4 bed/3.5 Bath home in kimberlea! Formal living/dining w/neutral paint, crown molding, big window w/park like view. Den boasts wall of windows, fireplace, wood floors & built-ins. Spacious kitchen w/lots of cabinets ..... **&MD...$249,900**

1311 Missouri-NEW-situated on a large corner lot! blocks from the museum of the southwest. 5 Bed/4 bath/2 living/2 dining (could be 4 bed w/private master office & his/her baths) so much space for the money. needs updating! Priced for as- is sale (sq. Footage includes 351 ft. Guest quarters over gar) kitchen offers abundant cabinets, formal la & sunroom w/walls of windows overlook open brick patio. Separate yard too **$245,000**

2 & 3 BEDROOMS

5101 San Antonio-NEW-great 3 bed/2 bath/2 garage on corner lot in northgate. Tiled entry leads to large living area w/beamed ceiling & fireplace. Spacious kitchen w/recent appliances & lots of cabinets. Oversized utility room w/lots of storage & desk area. Recent paint, wood-look flooring (no carpet) spacious master w/dual sinks & closets! Backyard has mature trees, patio area & tranquil pond **$195,000**

64 Linda Court-Nicely maintained 3 bed/2 bath home on quiet cul-de-sac! Separate formal living & formal dining. Spacious living w/brick fireplace & beamed ceiling. Sep. Master w/2 closets, dual sinks & shower- Study office w/ 2 purtries! This home has great storage & built-ins! Recent carpet & paint. Sunroom, large backyard w/mature trees, storage building & extra parking! Water well for the yard ..... **&MD...$194,900**

5207 Agarose-wonderful 3 bedroom/2 bath home in kimber lea with lovely curb appeal! 2 Living areas with walls of windows. neutral paint and brick fireplace (wood burning). Great kitchen offers double oven, abundant cabinets (some display), breakfast bar & r/o. Master suite with private bath and his & her closets. Spacious inside utility room. Park like backyard with mature landscaping and large covered patio ..... **&MD...$164,900**

5307 Douglas-NEW-fabulous updated home w/circle drive nicely landscaped! 2 Bed/1 bath/1 garage. Spacious living w/wall of windows & nuetral paint. Hardwood floors throughout! (Except ba & utility) open kitchen w/stainless appliances (gas ct) recent cabinets & counter tops. Big utility/office room. Huge backyard (40 Acre) has covered patio & is perfect for entertaining. Water well for yard & cinderblock fence ..... **&MD W/ 1 DWFT...$135,000**

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LAND

900 E. Marigold 2.18 Acres - build your dream home! Large lot with pecan trees and 2 water wells. Needs septic, gas for area is butane. Buyer to verify gardendale water tap is available and extends to lot. Per deed restrictions - 1600 sq ft 60% masonry, no swine, no pre fab homes **$30,000**

NEW CONSTRUCTION

GALLERY


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5304 Hilltop Drive
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $369,900
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5001 Coquina Court
4 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage, priced @ $289,000

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5903 Llano Court
3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $285,000

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2412 Dartmouth Drive
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 car garage, priced @ $325,000



3121 Patrick Place
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $324,900

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~ Robert Brault

NEW CONSTRUCTION

VEATCH CONSTRUCTION


U/C

5514 Carmel Court
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $285,000

Saenz Signature Homes


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3201 Patrick Place
4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $295,500

Carrasco Homes


U/C

6500 Los Conchos Lane
4 bedrooms, 4.5 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $669,000

RESIDENTIAL LISTINGS/HOME SITES/ACREAGE

RESIDENTIAL

1159 Register Rd	Colorado City/Lake View/2 Bdrm/2 Ba/Workshop	$74,900
5605 Kermit Ave	Odessa/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	Under Contract
2809 Moss Ave	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	Under Contract
2205 Medford Ct	Odessa/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	Under Contract
240 Main St	Garden City/4 Bdrm/3 Ba	$275,000
4813 Spring Meadow Lane #7	3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	Under Contract
5311 Castle Pine Rd	4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	Under Contract
2412 Dartmouth Dr	4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	$325,000

NEW CONSTRUCTION

4300 Wood Dr	Midland Gallery Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	Under Contract
4714 Yearwood	Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	Under Contract
5510 Carmel Ct	Veatch Construction/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	Under Contract
409 E. Pecan Ave	Midland Gallery Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/1 Car Garage	Under Contract
4808 Yearwood	Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	Under Contract
5702 Los Patios	Dozier Custom Homes/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	SOLD
5908 Oak Creek	Ashingdon Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	SOLD
4806 Yearwood	Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	Under Contract
5514 Carmel Ct	Veatch Construction/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	Under Contract
3201 Patrick Pl	Saenz Signature Homes/4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	Under Contract
5902 Oak Creek	Ashingdon Hgmes/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	SOLD
5713 Los Patios	Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	SOLD
5314 Mathis St	Branson Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	SOLD
3121 Patrick Pl	Henson Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$324,900
403 Pinewood	Diamond Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	Under Contract
408 Pinewood	Diamond Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	Under Contract
6500 Los Conchos	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/4.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	Under Contract

SUBURBAN/ACREAGE

Luna Rosa Estates	Gardendale/New Homes	Call Gary
14819 N. Chinaberry	Gardendale/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/0.914 Acres	$112,000
5617 E. Goldenrod	2 Bdrm/2 Ba/1 Car Garage/1 Acre	$125,000
7981 E. Goldenrod	4 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage/Gardendale/17.056 Acres	Under Contract
1905 S. Co. Rd. 1138	Greenwood, 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	Under Contract
5634 E. Marigold Dr	3 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage/Gardendale/9.86 Acres	Under Contract

RESIDENTIAL HOME SITES

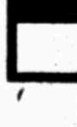
706 S. Lincoln Ave	0.161 Acres	$3,500

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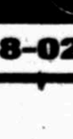
Luna Rosa Estates	W. Co. Rd. 30/1.5-2 Acre Lots	Call Gary
7409 N. Co. Rd. 1297	1.82 Acres	$39,000
7502 N. Co. Rd. 1297	1.022 Acres with barn	$80,000
6400 Mockingbird Lane	Los Conchos Estates/0.934 Acres	$85,500
County Rd. 310	70.53 Acres	$110,000
3905 Tumbleweed Trail	2.5 Acres/Horse Barn	$125,000

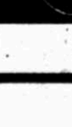
COMMERCIAL

2000 Rankin Hwy	6.7 Acres/LR2 Zoning	$925,000

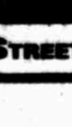

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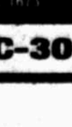

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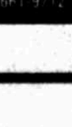

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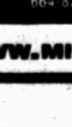

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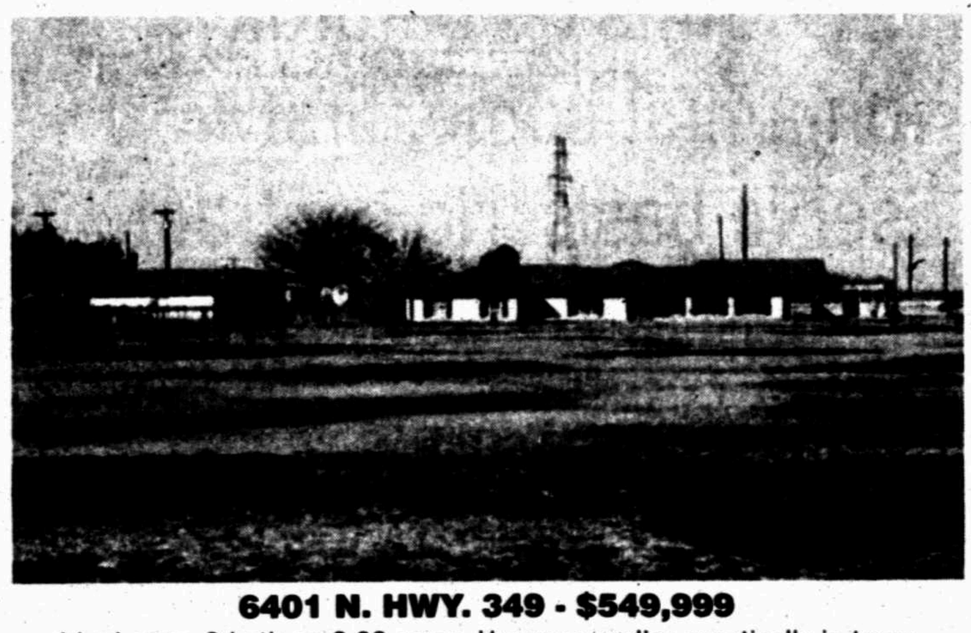
3203 S. CO. RD. 1068 - $125,000 REDUCED
Adorable 3/2 with hardwood floors, high ceilings & updates thru-out!
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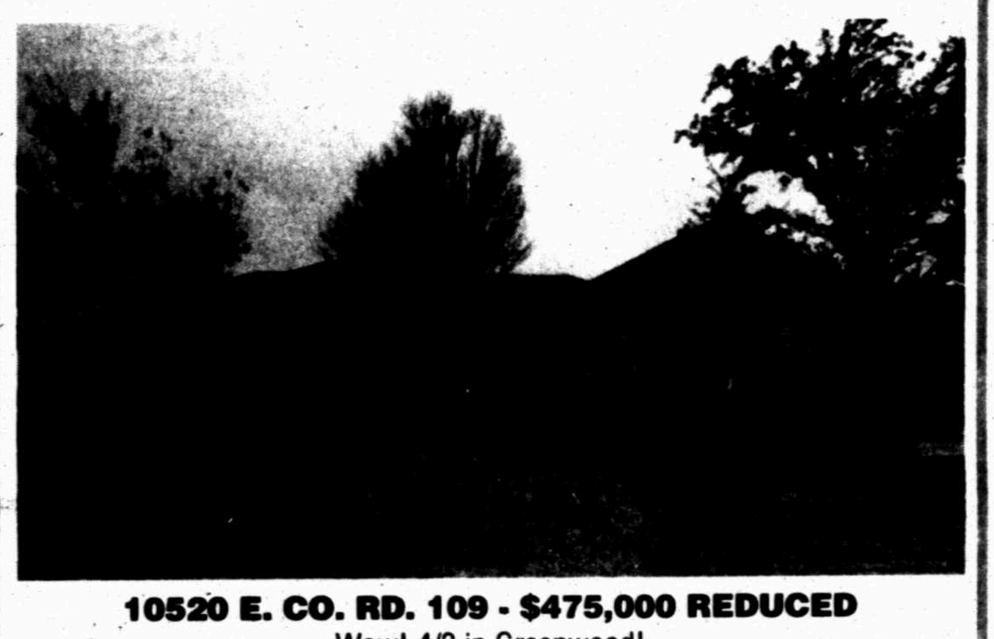
7707 TRENTON - $645,000
Luxury on acreage close to the city!
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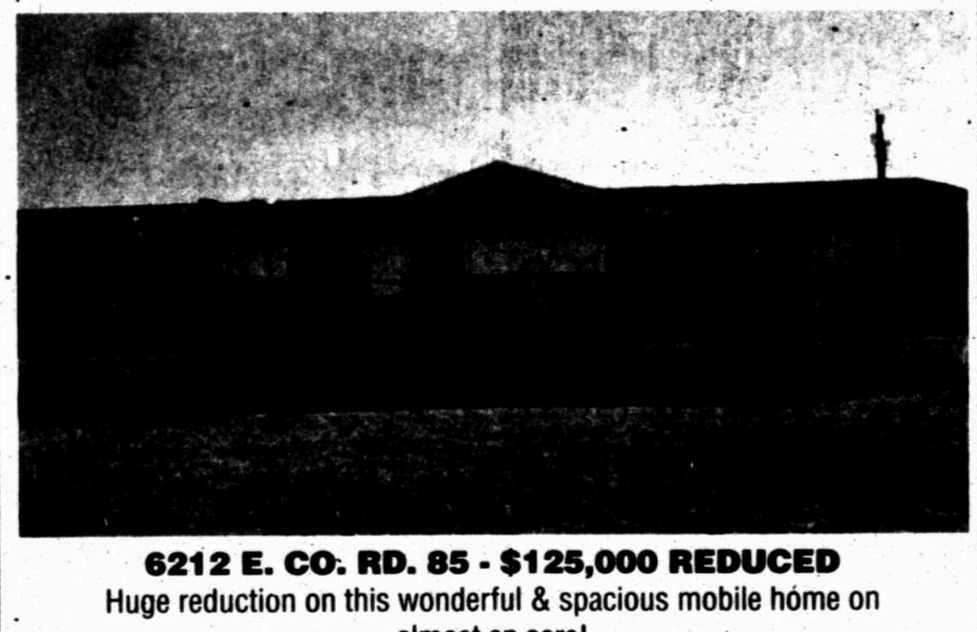
6401 N. HWY. 349 - $549,999
4 bedroom, 3 bath on 9.92 acres. Horses paradise practically in town.
Shown by Samantha McCrary

OPEN 3:30-4:30



10520 E. CO. RD. 109 - $475,000 REDUCED
Wow! 4/3 in Greenwood!
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6212 E. CO. RD. 85 - $125,000 REDUCED
Huge reduction on this wonderful & spacious mobile home on almost an acre!
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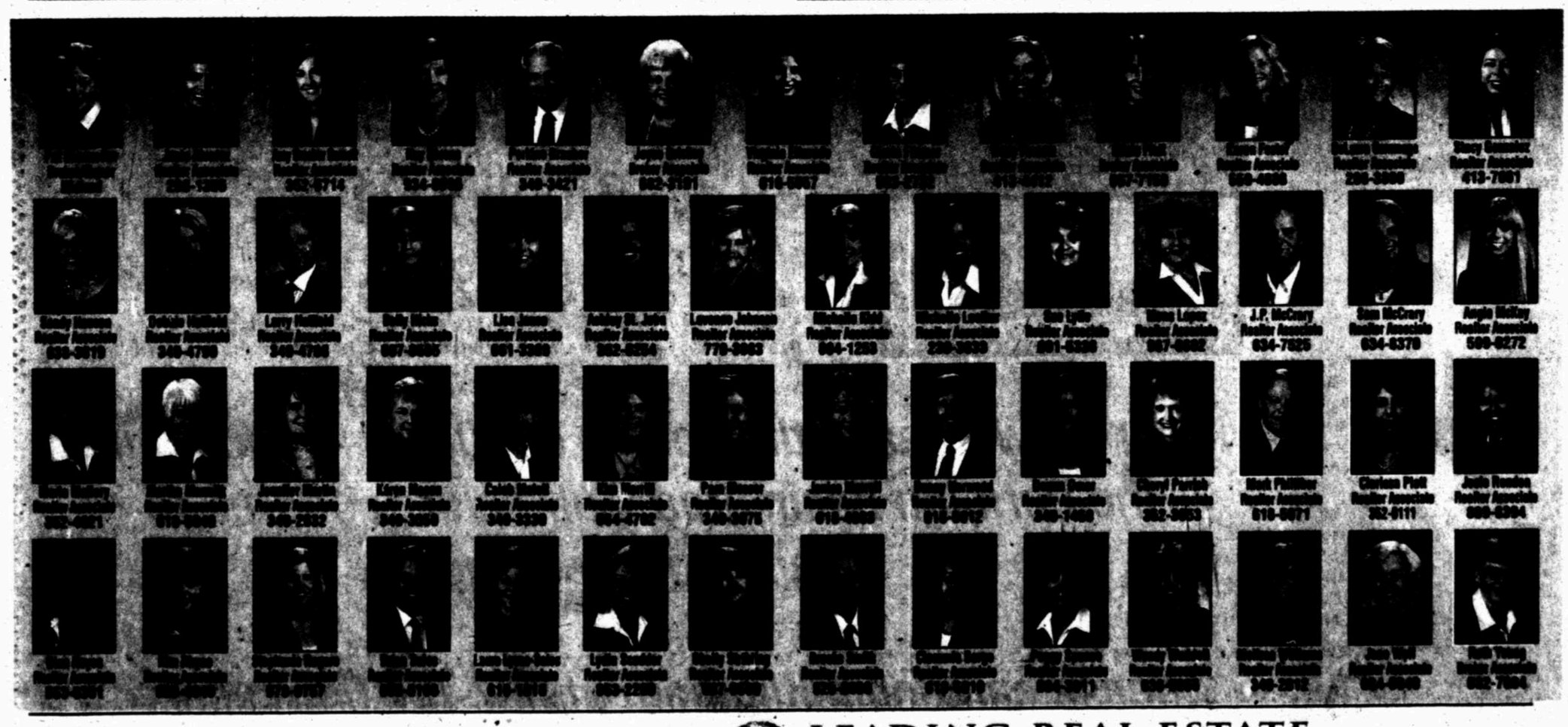
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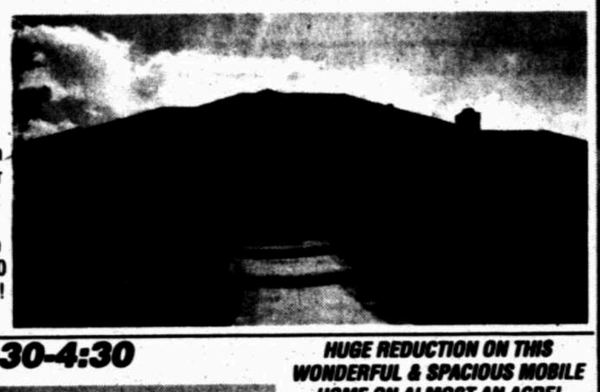
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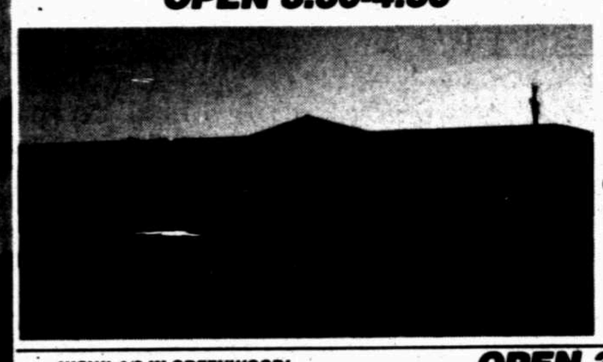
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3203 SCR 1088
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This one has it all! 4 Bedrms/3.5 Baths! Formal dining! Formal living! Study! Kitchen with granite, island & breakfast bar! Open to nook & den with fireplace! Spacious sequestered master with gorgeous bath! In-law plan! Jack & jill bath between other 2 roomy bedrooms! Covered patios! Vinyl fence just installed! Every man's dream-40x40 shop/man cave with full bath & wet bar! Rv garage & tons of storage!

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HUGE REDUCTION ON THIS WONDERFUL & SPACIOUS MOBILE HOME ON ALMOST AN ACRE!
6212 ECR 85
$125,000 REDUCED
4 Bedrooms! 3 Full baths! 2 Living areas-family room plus den with fireplace! Kitchen with breakfast nook is open to the den! Spacious sequestered master suite with two closets + master bath offers garden tub, separate shower & dual sinks! Roomy bedrooms with great closets! In-law plan with private bath! Above ground pool stays! Double lot! 2 Water wells!

WOW! 4/3 IN GREENWOOD!
10520 ECR 109
REDUCED $475,000
Updates thru-out! High ceilings! Great floorplan! Living with huge fireplace! Office (could be formal dining)! Spacious master with great bath! Shower has steamer! Wood flooring! Recent carpet! Rv parking! Inground pool with hot tub plus 2 firepits outside, outdoor fireplace & kitchen! 2000 Sq ft heated/cooled shop with half bath is perfect man cave/media room! Artificial grass in back yard! Go look!

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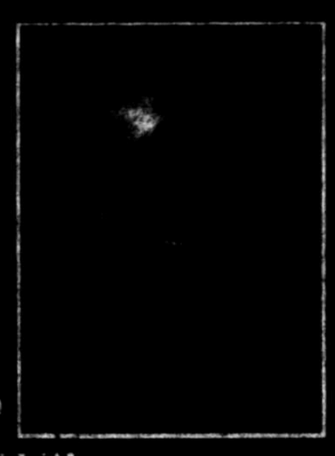




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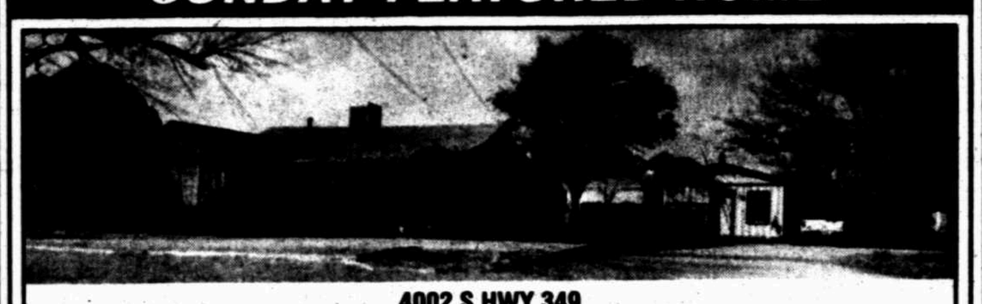
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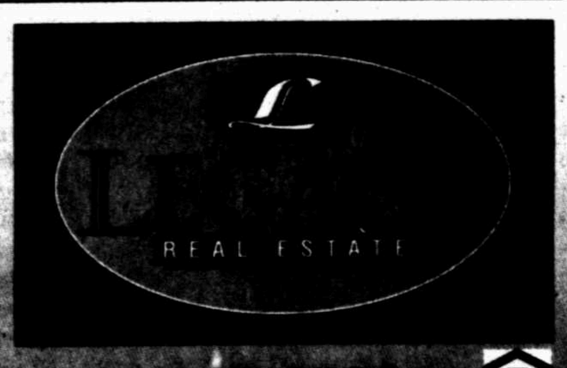


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4002 S. Hwy 349		MLS# 88957	$149,500
2600 Spartan	UNDER CONTRACT OPTIONED	MLS# 88931	$169,900
13300 FM 307	UNDER CONTRACT	MLS# 88955	$204,900
4900 S. Co. Rd. 1140-306 + plus acres barns, shops & pens			$ 1,500,000
5901 N. Midland Dr.	SOLD	MLS #88753	$695,000
3314 W. Co. Rd. 185		MLS #88559	$370,000
10515 E. Co. Rd. 109	UNDER CONTRACT OPTIONED	MLS #88359	$475,000
2208 Sinclair	UNDER CONTRACT	MLS #88691	$295,000
3155 Danley Drive (Lake Colorado City)		MLS #85245	$90,000
9177 Cevalia Drive (Odessa, Tx)	UNDER CONTRACT	MLS #84152	$369,900
Sunridge Ranch Estates 3+acres lotsPer Lot			$75,000
Oakridge Development 1.59 acre lots to 3.25 acre lots			$38,250 to $81,250
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19104 E. CO. RD. 183...*Clemmie Sorge 618-5019*... MLS #86409 ... ***SALE PENDING***

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7107 FM 307...*Caleb Matott 349-3330*... MLS #88827 ... **$1,200,000**

98 LAKES DR...*Martha Manulik 557-8744*... MLS #88917 ... **$789,000**

6309 DUNBLANE...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88681 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4905 RUSTIC TRAIL...*Danny Norwood 618-5012*... MLS #87549 ... ***SALE PENDING***

6309 HOMESTEAD...*Peggy Spence 618-5047*... MLS #88768 ... **$679,900**

7707 TRENTON DR...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #89031 ... **$645,000**

5207 POLO CLUB ROAD...*Perkins Brasher 349-3421*... MLS #88927 ... **$599,000**

7005 CALEN CT...*Amy Barnett 352-6714*... MLS #87540 ... ***SALE PENDING***

6616 FERN...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #86947 ... **$575,000**

6401 HWY. 349...*Sam McCrary 634-8370*... MLS #88912 ... **$549,999**

2400 SINCLAIR AVE...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88819 ... **$535,000**

1209 CASTLE ROCK CT...*Stephanie Rogers 978-9757*... MLS #81489 ... **$530,000**

7000 ALMEY CT...*Donna Omar 349-1458*... MLS #88716 ... ***SALE PENDING***

2900 JADEWOOD...*Maria Mallory 352-4021*... MLS #88567 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4100 FAIRWOOD DR...*Michelle Lesikar 230-3633*... MLS #87362 ... **$449,000**

1202 COUNTRY CLUB DR...*Karen Mason 349-3550*... MLS #88908 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4901 OAKWOOD CT...*Jane Wolf 684-6040*... MLS #88751 ... ***SALE PENDING***

6321 PRAIRIE RIDGE...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88677 ... **$399,900**

4600 GREEN TREE...*Laura Lyons Sales 618-1818*... MLS #89054 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4405 IRVIN DR...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88391 ... ***SALE PENDING***

909 ALMONT PLACE...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88475 ... **$370,000**

4300 SKYLINE DR...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88682 ... **$365,000**

10510 E. CO. RD. 109...*Maria Mallory 352-4021*... MLS #88487 ... **$354,900**

2101 S. CO. RD. 1087...*Clemmie Sorge 618-5019*... MLS #86406 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4806 CHERRYWOOD...*Kim Merrill 664-4702*... MLS #88267 ... **$335,000**

2701 W. CO. RD. 140...*Lavonne Johnson 770-3883*... MLS #89079 ... **$330,000**

3108 GULF AVE...*Cheryl Parrish 618-5014*... MLS #88761 ... ***SOLD***

5208 OAK VALLEY DR...*Peggy Spence 664-3011*... MLS #88302 ... ***SALE PENDING***

5811 GRASSLAND BLVD...*Angie McKay 599-0272*... MLS #86967 ... ***SALE PENDING***

10104 E. CO. RD. 183...*Clemmie Sorge 618-5019*... MLS #86409 ... ***SALE PENDING***

5504 RIDGEMONT...*Kim Merrill 664-4702*... MLS #88207 ... ***SALE PENDING***

2201 PRINCETON AVE...*Pam Messer 349-3075*... MLS #87778 ... **$325,000**

4620 ROSEWOOD...*Deborah Stewart 934-3881*... MLS #88935 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4506 GREEN TREE BLVD...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88808 ... ***SALE PENDING***

2907 SAVOY PL...*Larry Hatfield 349-4788*... MLS #88825 ... ***SALE PENDING***

2219 SOUTHAMPTON LANE...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88657 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4902 YEARWOOD DR...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88597 ... ***SALE PENDING***

5008 RUSTIC TR...*Gina Reyes 618-5061*... MLS #88750 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4824 TIMBER LN...*Deborah Stewart 934-3881*... MLS #88739 ... ***SOLD***

2206 SINCLAIR AVE...*Sandy Hanson 638-3819*... MLS #88691 ... ***SALE PENDING***

5412 BASSWOOD CIRCLE...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88678 ... ***SALE PENDING***

5001 CASTLEFORD...*Gina Reyes 553-6381*... MLS #86647 ... **$260,000**

1216 CO. RD 1120...*Mark Phillbier 618-5071*... MLS #86976 ... **$259,500**

1209 GARFIELD ST...*Jane Wolf 684-6040*... MLS #89050 ... **$242,900**

3206 MAXWELL...*Gina Reyes 553-6381*... MLS #88982 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4297 LYNBROOK, ODESSA, TX...*Maria Mallory 352-4021*... MLS #89066 ... **$230,000**

6004 YORKSHIRE...*Laura Lyons Sales 618-1818*... MLS #89040 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4206 CO. RD. 1130...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88999 ... **$225,000**

2402 CULPEPPER DR...*Ruth Young 682-7884*... MLS #87946 ... ***SALE PENDING***

5207 SHERWOOD...*Laura Lyons Sales 618-1818*... MLS #88870 ... ***SALE PENDING***

2817 CALDERA BLVD...*DebDrah Stewart 934-3881*... MLS #88336 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4107 GODFREY ST...*Perkins Brasher 349-3421*... MLS #88056 ... ***SALE PENDING***

3004 NORTHTOWN PL...*Maria Mallory 352-4021*... MLS #88659 ... ***SALE PENDING***

3212 FRONTIER DR...*Maria Mallory 352-4021*... MLS #88575 ... **$224,000**

2203 GULF...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #89057 ... **$200,000**

5403 ANETTA...*Clarissa Platt 352-6111*... MLS #89047 ... ***SALE PENDING***

6212 CO. RD. 85...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88994 ... **$125,000**

1404 TEJAS...*Josie Rendon 889-8394*... MLS #88896 ... ***SALE PENDING***

5108 E. CO. RD. 59...*Ashely St John 352-6254*... MLS #86672 ... ***SALE PENDING***

3520 IMPERIAL AVE...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88949 ... **$185,000**

6839 ISLAND CIRCLE...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #89052 ... **$105,000**

3103 AUBURN...*Karen Foster 559-4086*... MLS #88894 ... ***SALE PENDING***

1204 KANSAS AVE...*Brooks Smith 528-2980*... MLS #88461 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4605 CRENSHAW...*Brooks Smith 528-2980*... MLS #88702 ... ***SALE PENDING***

6001 CO. RD. 85...*Brian Sales 618-1818*... MLS #88968 ... **$67,500**

LOOKING FOR THREE BEDROOMS?

8201 DUNBLANE DR...*Larry Hatfield 349-4788*... MLS #89011 ... **$875,000**

804 CANONERO...*Larry Hatfield 684-0369*... MLS #87724 ... ***SALE PENDING***

2101 S. CO. RD. 1089...*Clemmie Sorge 618-5019*... MLS #88906 ... **$399,900**

2902 MARIE DR...*Samantha McCrary 634-8370*... MLS #88587 ... **$323,500**

4625 ROSEWOOD DR...*Josie Alvarez 618-5013*... MLS #88746 ... **$309,900**

4809 YEARWOOD...*Clemmie Sorge 618-5019*... MLS #86991 ... ***SALE PENDING***

5400 LA JOLLA COVE...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88683 ... ***SALE PENDING***

5605 LOS PATIOS...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #89029 ... ***SALE PENDING***

2911 CALDERA BLVD...*Ruth Young 682-7884*... MLS #88272 ... **$269,900**

4807 PINE MEADOW DR...*Tracy Farrow 413-4412*... MLS #88733 ... **$265,000**

1301 MISSOURI AVE...*Brooks Smith 528-2980*... MLS #87699 ... ***SALE PENDING***

5105 BRIGHTON PLACE...*Josie Alvarez 618-5013*... MLS #88634 ... **$259,900**

1611 WALL ST...*Ruth Young 682-7884*... MLS #88128 ... ***SALE PENDING***

2510 SEABOARD...*Jane Wolf 684-6040*... MLS #88987 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4406 S. CO. RD. 1184...*Laura Lyons Sales 618-1818*... MLS #88980 ... ***SALE PENDING***

1101 S. CO. RD. 1129...*Joyce Brickey 352-4127*... MLS #87706 ... ***SALE PENDING***

5102 CASTLEFORD...*Donna Omar 349-1458*... MLS #88722 ... ***SOLD***

4309 TUMBLEWEED...*Josie Alvarez 618-5013*... MLS #87679 ... ***SALE PENDING***

2503 BELLECHASSE CT...*Stephanie Rogers 978-9757*... MLS #88930 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4509 ST. ANDREWS...*Angie McKay 599-0272*... MLS #88741 ... ***SALE PENDING***

1416 FRENCH AVE., **ODESSA**...*Janice Murrell 349-7242*... MLS #88804 ... **$215,000**

3 VISTA CREST CT., **ODESSA**...*Lisa Jansa 661-3389*... MLS #88887 ... **$211,000**

1603 WASHITA...*Josie Rendon 889-8394*... MLS #87138 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4308 KNIFFEN...*Karen Foster 559-4086*... MLS #86828 ... **$209,999**

13300 FM 307...*Sandy Hanson 638-3819*... MLS #88955 ... ***SALE PENDING***

5325 SE CO. RD. 1800, ANDREWS, TX...*Cynthia Blocker 266-1448*... MLS #87329 ... **$199,000**

804 BOYD AVE...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88964 ... **$185,000**

3407 STANOLIND AVE...*Kay Bivens 618-5018*... MLS #88428 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4509 MATHIS ST...*Martha Manulik 618-5049*... MLS #88873 ... ***SALE PENDING***

2301 REGAL PL...*Lavonne Johnson 618-5002*... MLS #88755 ... ***SOLD***

3231 SHANDON AVE...*Karen Mason 349-3550*... MLS #86637 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4904 SUNDOWN CIRCLE...*Kim Rhyne 528-4646*... MLS #88583 ... ***SOLD***

3316 WEDGEWOOD ST...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88414 ... ***SOLD***

801 SHELL AVE...*Maria Mallory 352-4021*... MLS #88737 ... **$174,900**

3206 LOUISIANA DR...*Mark Phillbier 618-5017*... MLS #88565 ... **$174,000**

6815 N. CO. RD. 1298...*Larry Hatfield 684-0369*... MLS #88880 ... ***SALE PENDING***

10300 CO. RD. 85...*Pam Messer 349-3075*... MLS #87074 ... **$165,000**

2403 EMERSON CT...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88688 ... ***SOLD***

2413 GODDARD...*Josie Alvarez 618-5013*... MLS #88624 ... ***SALE PENDING***

413 NEELY...*Gina Reyes 553-6381*... MLS #88364 ... **$160,000**

3000 VIRGINIA...*Josie Alvarez 618-5013*... MLS #88745 ... ***SALE PENDING***

2000 N. D STREET...*Jane Wolf 684-6040*... MLS #87407 ... **$159,500**

307 JEFFERSON ST...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88948 ... ***SALE PENDING***

3622 BOYD AVE...*Clemmie Sorge 618-5019*... MLS #88762 ... **$149,900**

3329 DENGAR AVE...*Martha Manulik 557-8744*... MLS #88406 ... ***SOLD***

3507 IMPERIAL AVE...*Lydia Scudder 853-2200*... MLS #87300 ... ***SALE PENDING***

410 E. SPRUCE...*Josie Rendon 889-8394*... MLS #86383 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4002 HWY. 349...*Sandy Hanson 638-3819*... MLS #88957 ... **$149,500**

409 PLAYER CT...*Clarissa Platt 352-6111*... MLS #89001 ... ***SALE PENDING***

3705 STANOLIND...*Jane Wolf 684-6040*... MLS #87016 ... **$142,500**

2603 MARIANA...*Clarissa Platt 352-6111*... MLS #88926 ... **$139,900**

1501 DELMAR DR...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88439 ... ***SALE PENDING***

5109 CONCHO...*Karen Foster 559-4086*... MLS #88619 ... ***SOLD***

2516 CO. RD. 1058...*Sandy Hanson 638-3819*... MLS #88933 ... **$139,500**

3515 JORDAN...*Jane Wolf 684-6040*... MLS #88975 ... ***SALE PENDING***

1703 W. CO. RD. 134...*Josie Rendon 889-8394*... MLS #88399 ... **$135,000**

1400 BAIRD STREET...*Josie Rendon 889-8394*... MLS #88631 ... **$135,000**

4723 RIC DR...*Laura Lyons Sales 681-1818*... MLS #89004 ... ***SALE PENDING***

3216 W. LOUISIANA...*Clemmie Sorge 618-5019*... MLS #87004 ... **$129,900**

12309 CO. RD. 120...*Brooks Smith 528-2980*... MLS #86979 ... **$127,000**

3519 THOMAS AVE...*Clemmie Sorge 618-5019*... MLS #88963 ... **$118,500**

705 LANHAM ST...*Pamela Messer 349-3075*... MLS #88588 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4721 TRENTON DR...*Shelly Stribling 770-5828*... MLS #89034 ... ***SALE PENDING***

3300 HILL AVE...*Laura Lyons Sales 618-1818*... MLS #89042 ... **$109,900**

2808 ROOSEVELT AVE...*Josie Rendon 889-8394*... MLS #89052 ... **$105,000**

1311 WASHINGTON AVE...*Mark Phillbier 618-5071*... MLS #88844 ... ***SALE PENDING***

301 S. MADISON...*Virginia Elizondo 349-7782*... MLS #88509 ... **$104,000**

305 CUTHBERT AVE...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88717 ... ***SALE PENDING***

215 N. DEWBERRY...*Martha Manulik 618-5049*... MLS #88916 ... **$98,500**

3297 ILLINOIS AVE...*Gina Reyes 618-5061*... MLS #86630 ... **$93,000**

4724 CROCKETT...*Danny Norwood 618-5012*... MLS #87242 ... ***SOLD***

1500 WEATHERFORD ST...*Brooks Smith 528-2980*... MLS #87950 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4318 MONTY...*Ruth Young 682-7884*... MLS #87726 ... ***SALE PENDING***

209 E. PECK...*Karen Foster 559-4086*... MLS #87474 ... ***SALE PENDING***

1405 MICHIGAN...*Danny Norwood 618-5012*... MLS #88453 ... **$79,000**

3913 AVONDALE...*Lavonne Johnson 770-3883*... MLS #88921 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4203 PLEASANT DR...*Michelle Kidd 894-1253*... MLS #88770 ... **$75,000**

1702 E. OAK AVE...*Josie Rendon 889-8394*... MLS #88330 ... **$70,000**

1611 WASHINGTON AVE...*Lydia Scudder 853-2200*... MLS #89041 ... **$60,000**

4604 CHEROKEE DR...*Josie Rendon 889-8394*... MLS #88329 ... ***SALE PENDING***

2409 KENTUCKY...*Danny Norwood 618-5012*... MLS #88646 ... ***SALE PENDING***

MIDLAND'S BEST 2 BEDROOM & 1 BEDROOM HOMES

4900 & 4902 ANDREWS HWY...*Ruth Young 682-7884*... MLS #88081 & #88082 ... **$425,000**

3546 SHELL...*Lisa Jansa 661-3389*... MLS #89075 ... ***SALE PENDING***

2204 CIMMARON...*Betty Hicks 553-8194*... MLS #88599 ... ***SOLD***

1402 TENNESSEE AVE...*Ashley St. John 352-6254*... MLS #89090 ... **$110,000**

3710 OHIO AVE...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88965 ... ***SALE PENDING***

3538 SHELL AVE...*Martha Manulik 557-8744*... MLS #88833 ... ***SALE PENDING***

600 400 LIDDON...*Brooks Smith 528-2980*... MLS #88801 ... **$80,000**

501 SCHARBAUER DR...*Jane Wolf 684-6040*... MLS #89070 ... **$67,500**

3008 CO. RD. 1220...*Gloria Farmer 563-2732*... MLS #89096 ... **$45,000**

3319 PINEMONT DR...*Martha Manulik 618-5049*... MLS #88590 ... ***SALE PENDING***

3506 GASTON...*Karen Foster 559-4086*... MLS #88065 ... ***SOLD***

MIDLAND'S LARGEST SELECTION OF COUNTRY PROPERTY

7107 FM 307...*Caleb Matott 349-3330*... MLS #88827 ... **$1,200,000**

6401 HWY. 349...*Sam McCrary 634-8370*... MLS #88912 ... **$549,999**

10520 CO. RD. 109...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88891 ... **$475,000**

10515 CO. RD. 109...*Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819*... MLS #88359 ... ***SALE PENDING***

2101 S. CO. RD. 1089...*Clemmie Sorge 618-5019*... MLS #88906 ... **$399,900**

3314 W. CO. RD. 185...*Sandy Hanson 638-3819*... MLS #88559 ... **$370,000**

2406 CO. RD. 1121...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88075 ... ***SALE PENDING***

10510 E. CO. RD. 109...*Maria Mallory 352-4021*... MLS #88487 ... **$354,900**

2701 W. CO. RD. 140...*Lavonne Johnson 770-3883*... MLS #89079 ... **$330,000**

2101 SCR 1087...*Clemmie Sorge 618-5019*... MLS #86406 ... ***SALE PENDING***

10104 E. CO. RD. 183...*Clemmie Sorge 618-5019*... MLS #86409 ... ***SALE PENDING***

3187 C 2150 STANTON...*Caleb Matott 349-3330*... MLS #88177 ... **15 Acres/$319,500**

1216 S. CO. RD. 1120...*Mark Phillbier 618-5071*... MLS #86976 ... **$259,500**

4113 CO. RD. 1185...*Ashley St. John 352-6254*... MLS #88697 ... **$254,900**

4206 CO. RD. 1130...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88999 ... **$225,000**

4406 S. CO. RD. 1184...*Laura Lyons Sales 618-1818*... MLS #88980 ... ***SALE PENDING***

13300 FM 307...*Sandy Hanson 638-3819*... MLS #88955 ... ***SALE PENDING***

1101 S. CO. RD. 1129...*Joyce Brickey 352-4127*... MLS #87706 ... ***SALE PENDING***

5325 CO. RD. 1800, ANDREWS...*Cynthia Blocker 266-1448*... MLS #87329 ... **$199,000**

5108 E. CO. RD. 59...*Ashely St John 352-6254*... MLS #88672 ... ***SALE PENDING***

3409 W. CO. RD. 181...*Sandy Hanson 638-3819*... MLS #88101 ... ***SALE PENDING***

6815 N. CO. RD. 1298...*Larry Hatfield 684-0369*... MLS #88880 ... ***SALE PENDING***

10300 CO. RD. 85...*Pam Messer 349-3075*... MLS #87074 ... **$165,000**

4808 CO. RD. 71...*Ruth Young 682-7884*... MLS #86886 ... **$165,000**

6502 W. FM 846 KNOTT...*Caleb Matott 349-3330*... MLS #88060 ... **$150,000**

4002 HWY. 349...*Sandy Hanson 638-3819*... MLS #88957 ... **$149,500**

2516 CO. RD. 1058...*Sandy Hanson 638-3819*... MLS #88933 ... **$139,500**

1703 W. CO. RD. 134...*Josie Rendon 889-8394*... MLS #88399 ... **$135,000**

12309 CO. RD. 120...*Brooks Smith 528-2980*... MLS #86979 ... **$127,000**

6212 CO. RD. 85...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88994 ... **$125,000**

3203 CO. RD. 1068...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88654 ... **$125,000**

SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES...*Caleb Matott 349-3330*... **5 Lots Left. 3.5 Acre Lots/$95,000**

9206 CO. RD. 162...*Brooks Smith 528-2980*... MLS #88655 ... ***SALE PENDING***

1008 HWY. 137...*Caleb Matott 349-3330*... MLS #88477 ... ***SALE PENDING***

2006 FM 307...*Lisa Jansa 661-3389*... MLS #89078 ... **5 Acres/$75,000**

SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES...*Sandy J. Hanson-638-3819*... **3+ Acre Lots/Lots $75,000/EA.**

6001 CO. RD. 85...*Brian Sales 618-1818*... MLS #88968 ... **$67,500**

3008 CO. RD. 1220...*Gloria Farmer 563-2732*... MLS #89096 ... **$45,000**

FM 2632, BROWNWOOD LAKE...*Caleb Matott 349-3330*... **$44,000**

CO. RD. 85...*Lavonne Johnson 770-3883*... MLS #88189 ... **2.605 Acres/$35,000**

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7900 CO. RD. 110, GREENWOOD...*Michelle Kidd 894-1253*... MLS #87829 ... **$389,900**

2206 WESTSIDE DR., STANTON...*Michelle Kidd 894-1253*... MLS #87159 ... ***SALE PENDING***

9177 CEVALIA DR., ODESSA, TX...*Sandy Hanson 638-3819*... MLS #84152 ... ***SALE PENDING***

3187 C 2150, STANTON...*Caleb Matott 349-3330*... MLS #88177 ... **$319,500**

4297 LYNBROOK, ODESSA, TX...*Maria Mallory 352-4021*... MLS #89066 ... **$230,000**

1416 FRENCH AVE., ODESSA...*Janice Murrell 349-7242*... MLS #88804 ... **$215,000**

3 VISTA CREST CT., ODESSA...*Lisa Jansa 661-3389*... MLS #88887 ... **$211,000**

704 NW 8TH ST., ANDREWS...*Cynthia Blocker 266-1448*... MLS #85205 ... **$189,900**

9301 CEVALLIA, ODESSA, TX...*Danny Norwood 618-5012*... MLS #84955 ... ***SALE PENDING***

5325 SE CO. RD. 1800, ANDREWS, TX...*Cynthia Blocker 266-1448*... MLS #87329 ... **$199,000**

401 DEALY, BIG SPRING...*Michelle Kidd 894-1253*... MLS #88040 ... **$179,000**

14030 LARIAT TR., GARDENDALE...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88684 ... ***SALE PENDING***

710 BURLESON, STANTON, TX...*Michelle Kidd 894-1253*... MLS #84741 ... **$154,000**

7030 24TH ST., ODESSA, TX...*Brian Sales 618-1818*... MLS #88458 ... ***SALE PENDING***

1700 E. 21ST., ODESSA, TX...*Gloria Valdez Farmer 563-2732*... MLS #83237 ... ***SALE PENDING***

702 NW 8TH ST., ANDREWS, TX...*Cynthia Blocker 266-1448*... MLS #85018 ... ***SOLD***

6502 W. FM 846 KNOTT...*Caleb Matott 349-3330*... MLS #88060 ... **$150,000**

15398 GARDENDALE RD., GARDENDALE...*Ashely St John 352-6254*... MLS #88178 ... ***SALE PENDING***

504 BROADWAY, STANTON, TX...*Michelle Kidd 894-1253*... MLS #88271 ... **$129,500**

2431 CO. RD. 1050, STANTON, TX...*Kay Bivens 618-5018*... MLS #88653 ... ***SALE PENDING***

1317 ALPINE ST., ANDREWS...*Cynthia Blocker 266-1448*... MLS #85206 ... **$115,500**

1907 JOHNSON AVE., BIG SPRING, TX...*Michelle Kidd 894-1253*... MLS #88348 ... **$110,000**

217 HENDRICKSON ST., GOLDSMITH...*Mark Phillbier 618-5071*... MLS #88123 ... ***SALE PENDING***

6601 HARVARD AVE., ODESSA, TX...*Danny Norwood 682-5544*... MLS #84156 ... ***SALE PENDING***

1601 OCOTILLO AVE...*Kim Rhyne 528-4646*... MLS #88959 ... **$99,000**

1000 NW 6TH ST., ANDREWS...*Danny Norwood 618-5012*... MLS #85011 ... **$79,900**

505 ST. PETER, STANTON...*Michelle Kidd 894-1253*... MLS #88553 ... **$75,000**

2181 LIVE OAK LANE, BROWNWOOD...*Michelle Kidd 894-1253*... MLS #84003 ... **$70,000**

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL

2700 RANKIN HWY...*Amy Barnett 349-3421*... MLS #88603 ... **$2,000,000**

3600 ANDREWS HWY., ODESSA, TX...*Maria Mallory 352-4021*... MLS #87818 ... **$1,200,000**

11911 CO. RD. 125, ODESSA, TX...*Ashley St John 352-6254*... MLS #86474 ... **$850,000**

2112 E. I-20 SERVICE ROAD...*Clemmie Sorge 618-5019*... MLS #74975 ... **$550,000**

350 MIDLAND DR...*Brooks Smith 528-2980*... MLS #89013 ... **$400,000**

1611 WALL ST...*Ruth Young 682-7884*... MLS #88128 ... ***SALE PENDING***

4301 W. ILLINOIS...*Mark Phillbier 618-5071*... MLS #86388 ... **$229,900**

1600 FRONT ST...*Clemmie Sorge 618-5019*... MLS 86585 ... **$210,000**

1800 N. CO. RD. W., **ODESSA, TX**...*Brooks Smith 528-2980*... MLS #83958 ... **$180,000**

406 WAKEFIELD...*Brooks Smith 528-2980*... MLS #84320 ... **$155,000**

607-609 COLORADO...*Jane Wolf 684-6040*... MLS #87483 ... ***SALE PENDING***

608 E. BROADWAY, ANDREWS...*Cynthia Blocker 266-1448*... MLS#79313 ... **$100,000**

6707 FM 307...*Clemmie Sorge 618-5019*... MLS #87671 ... ***SALE PENDING***

206 S. BURLESON, McCAMEY...*Brooks Smith 528-2980*... MLS #87603 ... **$85,000**

LANDS AND LOTS

CO. RD. 60...*Brooks Smith 528-2980*... MLS #88932 ... **$1,742,400**

4900 CO. RD. 1140...*Sandy Hanson 638-3819*... MLS #88899 ... **$1,500,000**

LOOP 250N...*Brooks Smith 528-2980*... MLS #88576 ... ***SALE PENDING***

CO. RD. 1120 S...*Brooks Smith 528-2980*... MLS #78101 ... ***SALE PENDING***

S. FM 1788...*Brooks Smith 528-2980*... MLS #82050 **94.4 Acres/$944,400**

5115 POLO CLUB RD...*DeLaura Gammage 288-3880*... MLS #88831 ... ***SALE PENDING***

HIGHWAY 191...*Brooks Smith 528-2980*... MLS #87988 ... **$437,500**

SINCLAIR...*Ruth Young 682-7884*... **5 Acres/$425,000**

CR 1120...*Brooks Smith 618-5035*... MLS #88627 ... **$365,200**

FM 1213...*Caleb Matott 687-6500*... MLS #88415 ... ***SALE PENDING***

9 W. CO. RD. 150...*Caleb Matott 349-3330*... MLS #85592 ... **$249,900**

10700 CO. RD. 120...*Brooks Smith 618-5035*... MLS #86600 ... **$203,126**

1135 JOHNSTON RD...*Lisa Jansa 661-3389*... MLS #87751 ... **$149,900**

ELKINS RD...*Caleb Matott 349-3330*... MLS #82558 ... **20 Acres/$132,526**

7200 W. CO. RD. 44, SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES...*Caleb Matott 349-3330*... MLS #86618 ... **$100,000**

7210 W. CO. RD. 44, SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES...*Caleb Matott 349-3330*... MLS #86619 ... **$100,000**

SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES...*Caleb Matott 349-3330*... **3 Lots Left...3.5 Acre Lots/$95,000**

6707 FM 307...*Clemmie Sorge 618-5019*... MLS #87671 ... ***SALE PENDING***

2006 FM 307...*Lisa Jansa 661-3389*... MLS #89078 ... **5 Acres/$75,000**

SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES...*Sandy Hanson 638-3819*... **$70,000**

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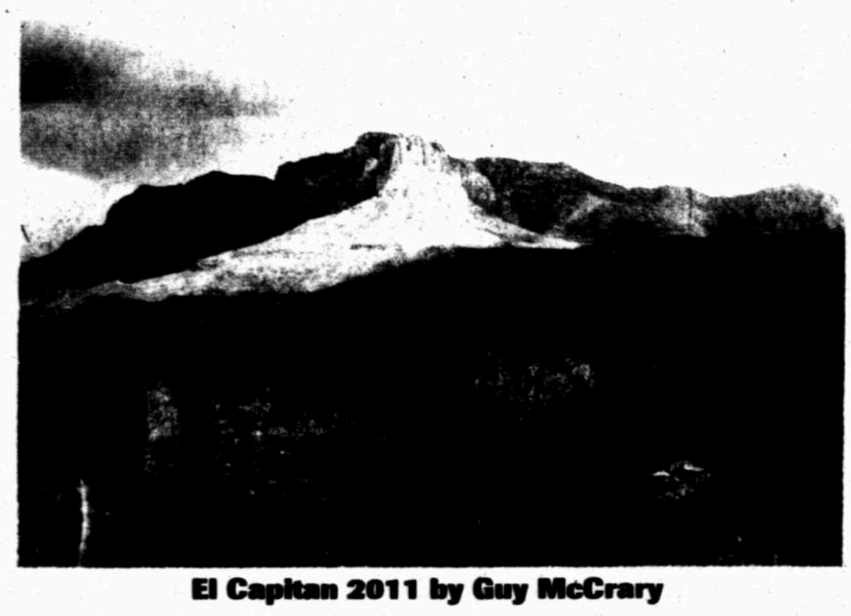


Nov Duck Pond by Sean Patty

WEST TEXAS *in photos*



Tourists and locals chat over cigarettes in Terlingua by Lawrence Lander



El Capitan 2011 by Guy McCrary

Photographers inspired by extreme environment

By Sara Higgins
Staff Writer

Much is absent in some of the most remote parts of West Texas — cell phone service and paved roads, to name a few. For what it lacks in luxury, though, it makes up for by the inspiration it provides. Artists of all media and backgrounds travel to the Trans-Pecos and beyond to try to capture the vast West Texas sky on canvas, paper or film.



Ranch House Porch by Sean Patty

Lawrence Lander, of Austin, set out west at the start 2011 to a place he'd been many times before. His parents used to take him and his brother to Brewster County, and the Houston native even returned for projects as a photojournalism student at The University of Texas at Austin. As a freelancer with newfound spare time on his hands, he was intrigued by what he had yet to discover about the region.

"You go out there and you have this incredible feeling of being a smaller part of something big," said Lander, 25. "It makes you feel a lot less significant; it kind of puts you in your place."

It wasn't the lure of breath-taking sunsets and sunrises that brought Lander to the largest county in the state, but the stories he found in an abandoned structures or in the body language of strangers chatting over cigarettes. He returned on a monthly basis until a project was born: "To Live or Die in Brewster County." The set of photos tells a story of a harsh, unforgiving environment, but Lander said he wanted to convey the way people in that region live and flourish despite their struggles.

"Growing up in Texas, you have this feeling that people are a special bunch," he said. "When you're traveling in West Texas, it goes to another level. It doesn't make sense how kind and friendly everyone is."

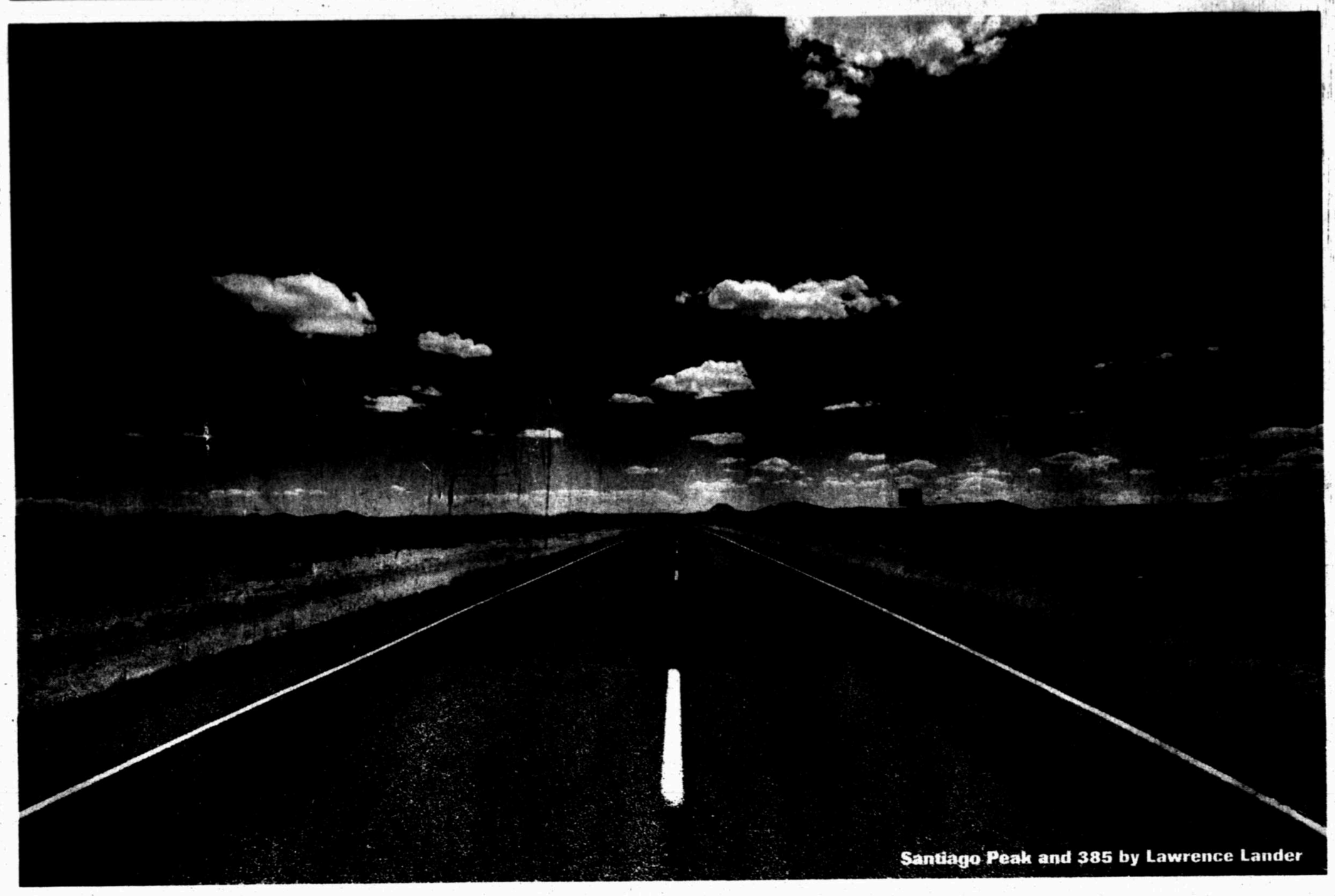
For Lander, the long, flat road of West Texas provided inspiration for song lyrics — even the name for his latest artistic venture, Roadrunner Thunderbird Design Studio. A pad of paper containing scribbled ideas is stuffed in the center console of his truck.

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White-wing couple in Winter by Guy McCrary

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Santiago Peak and 385 by Lawrence Lander

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"I kind of am taking parts of this place and bringing it back with me," he said. "It becomes part of who I am."

Photography was born out of another hobby for Midlander Sean Patty, an avid hiker. He bought his first professional-grade camera in 2008 to take with him whenever he backpacked around southeast New Mexico and West Texas.

"Photography was kind of a natural progression for me," he said. "I think West Texas has a really unique beauty; it's just such a wide open place."

To intensify the dramatic shots he takes, Patty employs an imaging technique called high dynamic range, which allows for a greater spectrum of contrast in a picture.

"I'm not just taking a photograph as a documentary, so to speak," he said. "To me, it is art."

Patty adds a West Texas twist to his portfolio with "energyscapes." His customized photos of oil wells and tank batteries can be found in offices of oil companies around the Permian Basin.

Patty's unique techniques and subject matter have garnered the attention of more than 500 fans on his Facebook page, "West Texas Photo." Some commenters post nostalgic memories conjured up by the pictures Patty posts; others try to guess what local landmarks are featured in the photos.

"It's nice to be able to put images on Facebook and see what they really like," Patty said.

As time progressed, Patty's passion for photography became his main reason for hiking the Guadalupe Mountains and other adventures he takes in the area. Rather than taking pictures of the views he encounters, he stakes out the perfect view, waiting for the sun to hit just right.

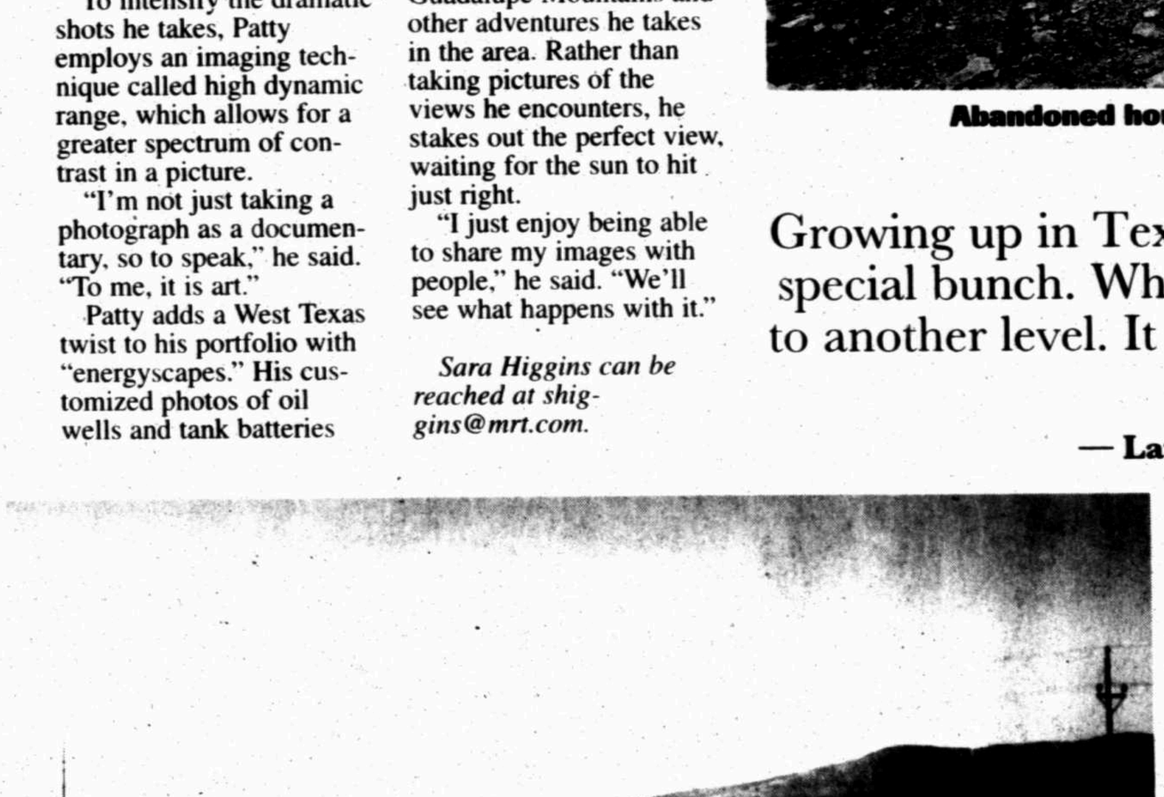
"I just enjoy being able to share my images with people," he said. "We'll see what happens with it."

Sara Higgins can be reached at shiggins@mrt.com.



Abandoned house in Terlingua's ghost town by Lawrence Lander

> "Growing up in Texas, you have this feeling that people are a special bunch. When you're traveling in West Texas, it goes to another level. It doesn't make sense how kind and friendly everyone is.
>
> — **Lawrence P. Lander,** Austin photographer



Horse, Alpine by Lawrence Lander

At a gallery near you

Photos by Guy McCrary, executive director of Permian Basin Area Foundation, currently are featured at the Haggard Gallery in the Martin County Library in Stanton. The collection includes photographs from McCrary's travels around the U.S., though the photos were taken primarily in West Texas.

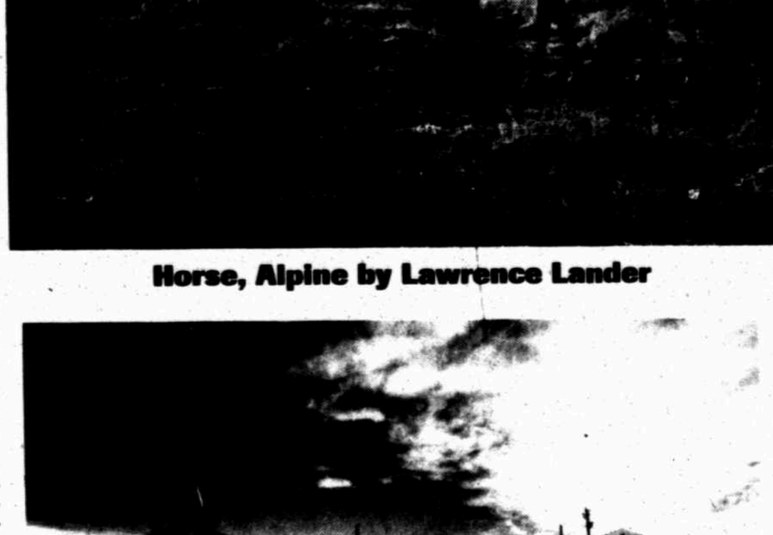
"I find a great deal of beauty in the desert," said McCrary, whose kids call their father's hobby "Dad's camera habit." McCrary recalls taking his Kodak Instagram with him as a child on family vacation or Boy Scout trips.

"I take a camera any time I travel," he said.

His favorite region to explore behind the lens is the Alpine, Marfa and Fort Davis triangle in the Trans-Pecos area. McCrary's portfolio focuses on architecture, landscapes, desert plants and wildlife — that is, when it lets him close enough.

McCrary's exhibit will run through April 30; all of his photos are for sale, with 25 percent of the sales benefitting the Friends of the Martin County Library.

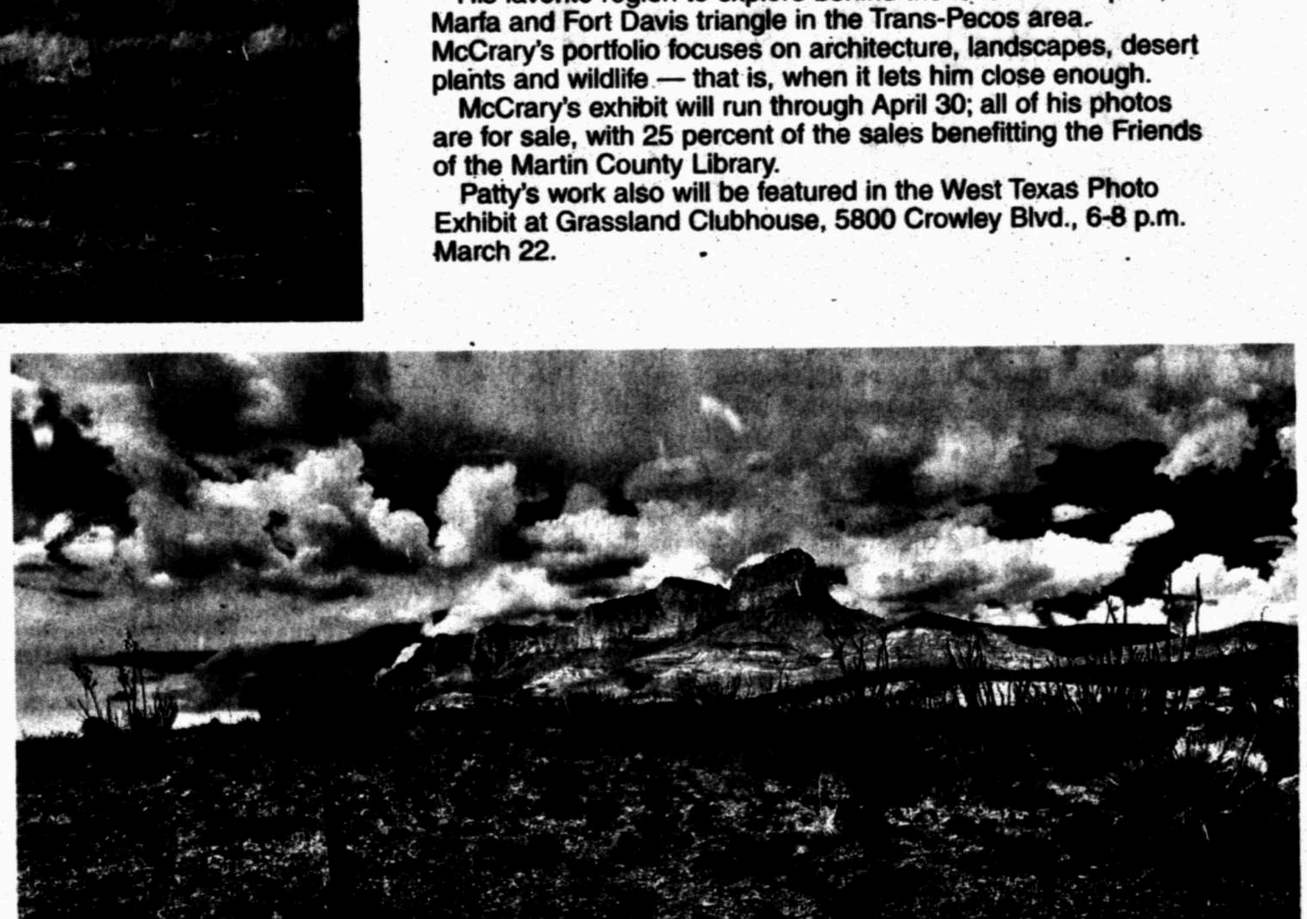
Patty's work also will be featured in the West Texas Photo Exhibit at Grassland Clubhouse, 5800 Crowley Blvd., 6-8 p.m. March 22.



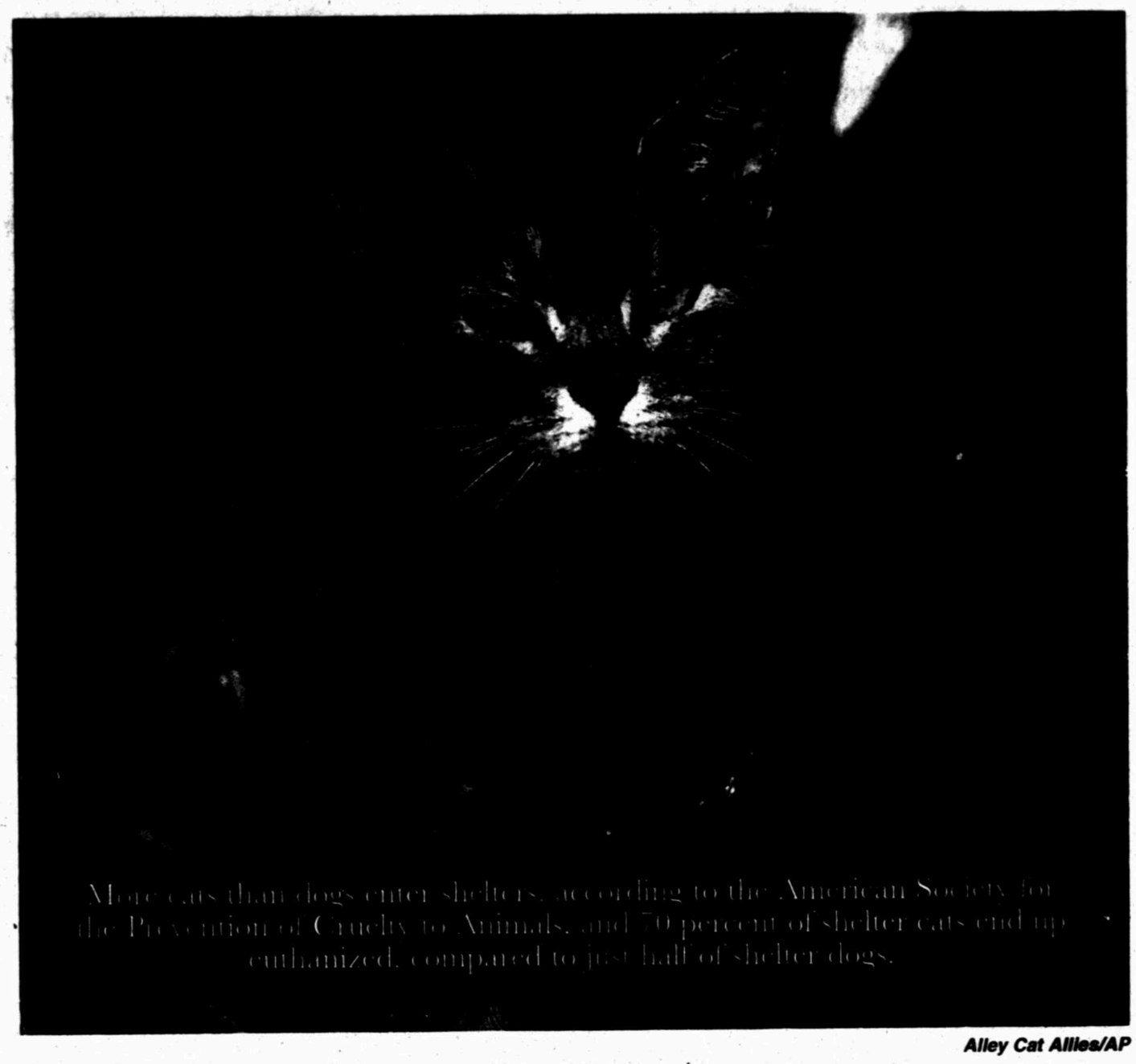
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Butterfield Route at Williams by Sean Patty



Alley Cat Allies/AP

This undated photo made available by Alley Cat Allies shows a cat with a "tipped" ear, indicating it has been spayed or neutered.

Animal groups target feral cats for sterilization

By Sue Manning
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Cat owners have done a good job spaying and neutering their pets. The big issue now when it comes to felines is population control of feral cats, and that's led to a movement by animal welfare groups to trap colonies of these wild cats for sterilization.

A study conducted for Alley Cat Allies in 2007 and published in the Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association in 2009 showed Americans owned about 82 million cats and 80 percent of them had been spayed or neutered.

But there may be just as many feral cats in the country and fewer than 3 percent of them are sterilized, said Becky Robinson, president of Alley Cat Allies in Bethesda, Md.

Feral cats are born on the streets. They struggle to survive and end up too wild to be handled. They often form colonies or communities, feed on rodents and garbage, and breed without restraint. It's almost impossible to tame an adult feral cat and most shelters won't accept them except to euthanize them.

Stray cats — cats that run away from home or get dumped or lost — may be tame and comfortable around people, but they often fall in with feral colonies.

Feral cats tend to mate and reproduce in warmer weather. Millions of feral kittens will be born over the next few months and taken to animal shelters across the country. "Unfortunately, few of these kittens find adoptive homes. Many, if not most, are killed in shelters," Robinson said.

More cats than dogs enter shelters, according to the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and 70 percent of shelter cats end up euthanized, compared to just half of shelter dogs.

Feral cats are one of the reasons World Spay Day exists. The Humane Society of the United States started Spay Day USA in 1995. It's now held the last Tuesday of every February and observed in 46 countries. Hundreds of events are scheduled, and many of them offer free or low-cost sterilization for pets as well as for street cats and dogs.

PetSmart Charities Inc. has awarded $26.3 million in grants since 2007 to subsidize nearly 1 million spay and neuter surgeries in the United States. A new $1 million grant will help sterilize thousands of cats in February and pit bull terriers in August. Nationwide, 65 nonprofit clinics will get grant money, said executive director Susana Della Maddalena.

The spay and neuter center run by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Los Angeles will use the money to spay all female cats for $20, said spcaLA president Madeline Bernstein.

Spaying or neutering is safe for kittens as young as 8 weeks old, Bernstein said.

Los Angeles-based Stray Cat Alliance has sterilized more than 75,000 cats in the last decade. Now, through its "I Spayed LA" program, the charity is working with residents in the poorest parts of Los Angeles to provide education and spay and neuter services.

The 90037 zip code covers only three square miles but is home to 50,000 residents and 10,000 cats, said Stray Cat Alliance executive director Christi Metropole.

ISLA lends cages to residents and teaches them to trap feral cats. The animals are sterilized free of charge and returned to the neighborhoods.

If 70 percent of the feral cats in the zip code can be sterilized over the next three years, Metropole predicts it will nearly eliminate the homeless cat population at the South Los Angeles shelter, where the kill rate for cats now is over 80 percent.

Not every agency believes in trap, neuter and release (TNR) but groups like Alley Cat Allies, HSUS and ASPCA say it's the best way.

When a feral cat is spayed or neutered, the top quarter-inch of its left ear is cut off. Called ear-tipping, the ASPCA says it is safe and the best way to easily identify which cats have been sterilized.

FixNation in Los Angeles offers free spay and neuter service to cat colony caregivers. They sterilize more than 70 cats a day and have trapped, neutered and returned nearly 80,000 cats since 2007, said co-founder Karn Myers. But the organization's five-year grant has now run out and if FixNation can't raise $500,000 by March, its free feral sterilization program will be in jeopardy, Myers said.

GetYourFix.org is a Virginia group that matches sponsors with pet owners who can't afford surgery. In nine months, they've matched more than 200 owners with donors, said Stephanie Downs, co-founder of parent FiXiT Foundation.

California is even tapping its car culture. The Department of Motor Vehicles is taking orders for a pet lover's license plate that sponsors say will generate a steady stream of money for free and low-cost spay and neuter programs. The state needs 7,500 orders before the plates can be made. The campaign is five months in and halfway there.

The plate says "Spay & Neuter Saves Lives" and features a drawing by actor-artist Pierce Brosnan.

FAMILY MATTERS



Jim May, Ph.D., is the director of the Family Wellness Center. Write him at P.O. Box 51638, Midland 79710-1638; drjimmay@sbcglobal.net

Parents concerned about teen daughter's relationship

DEAR FAMILY: We can't figure out what to do about our daughter and her boyfriend. It is a little different because she is a senior and he is a sophomore. I never thought this would be a problem, I was always worried about her dating older boys. She actually hasn't ever dated until now. She's always gone out with a group and we thought that was great. I think she's completely naïve about intimate relationships.

They have been together for two months and it seems like an eternity. She always wants to go over to his house to hang out and both his parents work. We have told her in no uncertain terms she is not allowed to be there when his parents aren't there and she says she just picks him up and they go hang out with other friends. We have talked to his parents and they have told them the same thing, but none of us are checking.

We don't know what we should do. My husband doesn't really want to go check on her because that will just start a giant battle. I am torn, I want to know but I am afraid to know. What should we do about this? We talked about making them stop hanging out for awhile but then she probably just would sneak around and do it. She has been accepted at (a university) and we have paid her dorm fees and everything else, now I'm worried she may want to stay here to go to college to be with him. I feel so helpless. — LOST

DEAR LOST: You and your husband have every right to be concerned about this situation. This sounds like it could be teenagers in love and without supervision that is a major concern. Generally speaking without some form of supervision hormones win the battle over rational thinking most every time. Have either or both of them been through a sex education course like the CLER Ministry? If not I certainly would encourage you to contact CLER at 684-8600 and get information on the programs offered. That might help her get a handle on the sexual implications of a relationship. Just to worry you even more, depending on their age differences, there could be the possibility of sexual criminal charges against her if sexual contacts are occurring.

In terms of trying to prohibit them from seeing each other for awhile, unfortunately Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" still applies today. Teenagers use notoriously poor judgment when they are in love. Their feelings are so strong it compromises their thinking. They tend to project the way they feel in the present moment is the way they will feel the rest of their lives; hence, the sense of "I can't live without you" and "I won't."

You and your husband have done about all I think you can do relative to talking. Each situation is different so I would encourage you and your husband to use your judgment; however because you asked, I would suggest checking up on her at his house — but respectfully. By that I mean something like drive by, if her car is there just take a cell photo. Do nothing then, however that night you and your husband meet with her and calmly discuss your concerns. Tell her — do not ask — you know she was at his house and if it occurs again she will be allowed to see him only at your home when you are there. Stay calm even if she gets dramatic, you can show her the photo if you want to but the photo is really for you and your husband.

I generally count on a basic truth of adolescence: most relationships will fail under their own weight. Males in particular tend to grow weary of all the confinements of a romantic relationship in due time and break up. Unfortunately, this does not always happen in time to prevent a tragedy such as pregnancy. I prefer to keep an eye on them, which means keeping them around your home and involved in group activities such as church youth groups, Teen CBS and Young Life.

Burns prove smoker hasn't cleaned up his act

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: "Dwayne," my boyfriend of eight years, insists on smoking in his bedroom. In our last apartment he'd fall asleep with a lit cigarette and ended up burning holes in our couch, numerous blankets and pillows as well as the carpet. When we moved, Dwayne assured me he had stopped, but a month ago I noticed his blanket and mattress have burn holes and so does the carpet by his bed.

We live together with our 6-year-old son and, needless to say, I'm scared to death Dwayne will burn this place down. I have talked to him about it numerous times. All he does is yell and say it won't happen because cigarettes are "safer now."

I have discussed this with our landlord to no avail. I thought about calling social services, but I don't want to get him in trouble. I could really use some good advice. — SCARED FOR MY LIFE IN MILWAUKEE

DEAR SCARED: Because Dwayne is unwilling to be more responsible, it's time to consider your son's safety and your own. Your boyfriend not only is addicted to tobacco, he also is misguided. If cigarettes were "safer now" there wouldn't be burn holes in his bedding and the area surrounding where he sleeps. If moving isn't feasible, at least make sure there are working smoke detectors in your apartment and an extra one outside Dwayne's bedroom door.

Frankly, it would be healthier for you and the boy if Dwayne didn't smoke at all in your apartment because the Environmental Protection Agency has classified secondhand smoke as a Group A carcinogen. To verify this, and get further information, contact the American Cancer Society (800-227-2345) or the American Heart Association (800-242-8721).

DEAR ABBY: My husband died 13 years ago. Since then I pretty much have lost everything, except the grief. Recently it occurred to me I have some photographs his siblings and nieces might like copies of.

I don't want them to know where I live — in a battered old trailer — because I'm ashamed. They are all well-to-do and never seemed to like me. No one has spoken to me since my husband's death.

I don't want it to seem like I'm expecting anything in return because I'm not, nor do I want to see them socially. I know I don't fit in with them. I'd just like to do something nice because we all loved him. From experience I think they'll find some way to misinterpret or misunderstand the gesture. I'll be hurt and, added to the depression and grief, I don't think I could handle it. What do you advise? — MISSING MY MAN IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR MISSING YOUR MAN: Please accept my sympathy for the loss of your husband. You have given me four valid reasons not to reach out to your husband's family, the most important of which is if you get another round of rejection from them it will crush you. That's why I advise against it.

Because they haven't spoken to you or included you in 13 years, on top of the fact you never felt accepted in the first place (your words) — the healthy thing for you to do is to keep your distance. However, because in all this time you have been unable to finish your grieving process, I urge you to consider grief counseling.

DEAR ABBY: We recently celebrated the milestone birthday of a dear friend with a party. In honor of the occasion we presented her with a very nice bracelet with various fabricated gemstones set in a nice silver setting. As she was identifying the names of the stones, I blurted out they "weren't real" because I didn't want her thinking we were trying to pass them off as the real thing.

Now I'm afraid I might have cheapened our gift — although believe me, her bracelet was not cheap. I feel like an idiot. Should I try to fix this mess or just let it be? — FOOT IN MOUTH IN THE SOUTHWEST

DEAR FOOT IN MOUTH: I think enough has been said already. Whether the stones in the bracelet were natural or man-made, the thought behind the gift was genuine.

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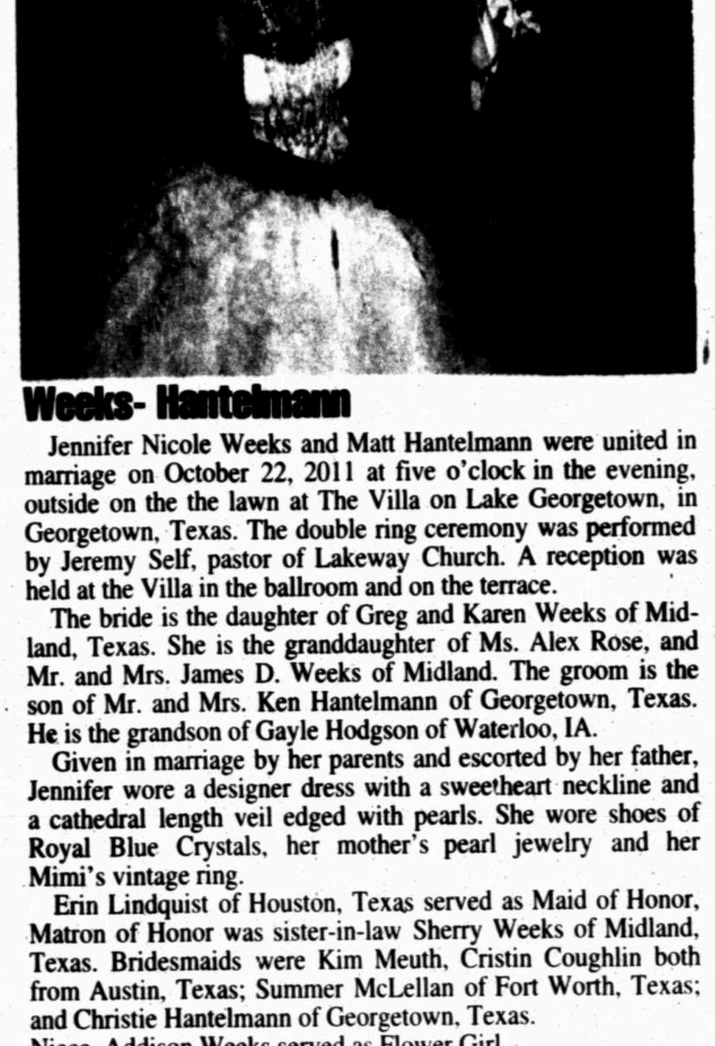
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WEDDINGS



Weeks- Hantelmann

Jennifer Nicole Weeks and Matt Hantelmann were united in marriage on October 22, 2011 at five o'clock in the evening, outside on the the lawn at The Villa on Lake Georgetown, in Georgetown, Texas. The double ring ceremony was performed by Jeremy Self, pastor of Lakeway Church. A reception was held at the Villa in the ballroom and on the terrace.

The bride is the daughter of Greg and Karen Weeks of Midland, Texas. She is the granddaughter of Ms. Alex Rose, and Mr. and Mrs. James D. Weeks of Midland. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Hantelmann of Georgetown, Texas. He is the grandson of Gayle Hodgson of Waterloo, IA.

Given in marriage by her parents and escorted by her father, Jennifer wore a designer dress with a sweetheart neckline and a cathedral length veil edged with pearls. She wore shoes of Royal Blue Crystals, her mother's pearl jewelry and her Mimi's vintage ring.

Erin Lindquist of Houston, Texas served as Maid of Honor, Matron of Honor was sister-in-law Sherry Weeks of Midland, Texas. Bridesmaids were Kim Meuth, Cristin Coughlin both from Austin, Texas; Summer McLellan of Fort Worth, Texas; and Christie Hantelmann of Georgetown, Texas.
Niece, Addison Weeks served as Flower Girl.

The groom's Best Men were Lee Lundin and Bradley Katt both of Round Rock, Texas. Groomsmen included Brian Sandel of Houston, Texas; Yamil de la Torre of Austin, Texas; and Branden Weeks of Midland, Texas. Nephews, Benjamin Porter and Kaleb Weeks served as Ring Bearers.

The beautiful evening was a night to remember. Family and friends enjoyed incredible food provided by Bittersweet Bakery of Georgetown, Texas. Under the starlight night on the Villa terrace everyone enjoyed music provided by First Class Entertainment of Austin, Texas.

The couple spent their honeymoon on the Dutch/French island of St. Maarten.

The couple now resides in Austin, Texas.



Brown-Hayes

Charlotte Elizabeth Brown and John Bettis Hayes were united in marriage Saturday, January 14, 2012 at Christ the King Catholic Church in Dallas, Texas. Reverend Monsignor Donald Zimmerman and Reverend William Culpeper Davis officiated in the double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Robert Hall Brown and the late Mr. Robert Hall Brown of Dallas. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Moran Hickey of Midland, Texas and the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hall Brown of Richmond, Virginia.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Scone Hayes of Dallas. He is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. James F. Hayes of Houston, Texas and the late Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Bettis of Graham, Texas.

The bride was given away in marriage by her brothers, Coleman Randolph Brown, Robert Wilson Brown and Jeffrey Leary Brown.

The bride wore a gown designed by Alvina Valenta. The floor length soft fluted gown featured a covering of ivory Alencon lace over taupe satin faced taffeta. It had a V neck front and back with an Ivory satin ribbon detail at the natural waist and a three tiered hem with a sweep train. Her train-length veil of illusion was edged with antique Pointe d'Angleterre lace, which is a family heirloom. It was worn recently by the bride's cousin and sister-in-law and also by the bride's mother, grandmother and many family members of the bride for four generations.

Attending the bride were her sister, Adele Brown as maid of honor; her cousin, Carrie Arnot, as maid of honor; and her sister-in-law, Rachel Brown as matron of honor. The bridesmaids included Mimi Hayes, sister of the groom; Andree Halpin, cousin of the bride; Caroline Baum; Anne Louise Conway; Kate Chapman; Caroline Davis; Carolyn Davis; Natalie Ginsburg; Hadyn Hicks; Lou Mercer; Megan Michelson; Lauren Moncrief and Abby Peck. Serving the bride in her house party were, Rachael Berry, Christy Brown, Diana Dunlap, Julie Musselman, Mandy Osterhoust and Mary Clay Saucier. Also attending the bride were her flower girls, Josie Davis, Kate Davis and Shelby Sorgenfrei. and the ring bearers, Jack Davis and Pruet James, cousin of the bride.

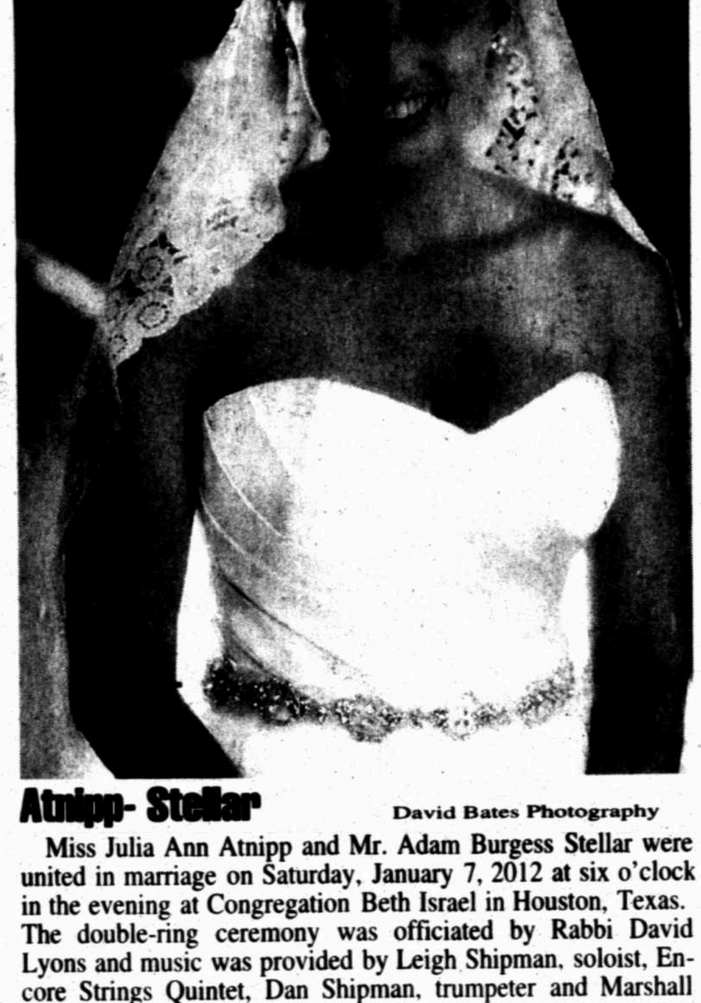
Serving the groom were the best men, Bill Hayes, father of the groom; and William and Rob Hayes, brothers of the groom. The groomsmen were Austin Berry, Michael Bilger, Will Brockman, Coleman Brown, Wilson Brown and Jeffrey Brown, brothers of the bride; Andrew Cooper; Wells Crawford; Andrew Peeples; Drew Perrin; and Matt Rider. Serving as ushers were Chip Hankey, Nick Horne, Matt Moncrief, Robert Plumb, Ryan Soroka and Chris Wallace.

Following the ceremony, the reception was held at Union Station in Dallas.

The bride is a graduate of Highland Park High School in Dallas and the University of Texas-Austin where she was a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority. In Washington, D.C. she is employed by the DC Public School System as a kindergarten teacher.

The groom is a graduate of St. John's Episcopal School in Houston and the University of Texas-Austin, where he was a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. He is currently in his second year Georgetown Law School in Washington, D. C.

The couple resides in Washington, D. C.



Atnipp- Stellar

David Bates Photography

Miss Julia Ann Atnipp and Mr. Adam Burgess Stellar were united in marriage on Saturday, January 7, 2012 at six o'clock in the evening at Congregation Beth Israel in Houston, Texas. The double-ring ceremony was officiated by Rabbi David Lyons and music was provided by Leigh Shipman, soloist, Encore Strings Quintet, Dan Shipman, trumpeter and Marshall Maxwell, music coordinator. A reception immediately followed in the Phantom Ballroom at the Hotel ZaZa with music provided by Doppelganger. On the eve of the wedding, a rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents at Saint Arnold Brewery. The bride's grandparents hosted a wedding day brunch at Brennan's.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Clay Atnipp of Houston. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Joseph Obermayer of Arlington, Virginia and Mr. and Mrs. H.L. Atnipp of Midland, Texas. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Christy Stellar of Fort Worth, Texas. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Wayman Burgess of Weatherford, Texas and the late Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stellar of Fort Worth.

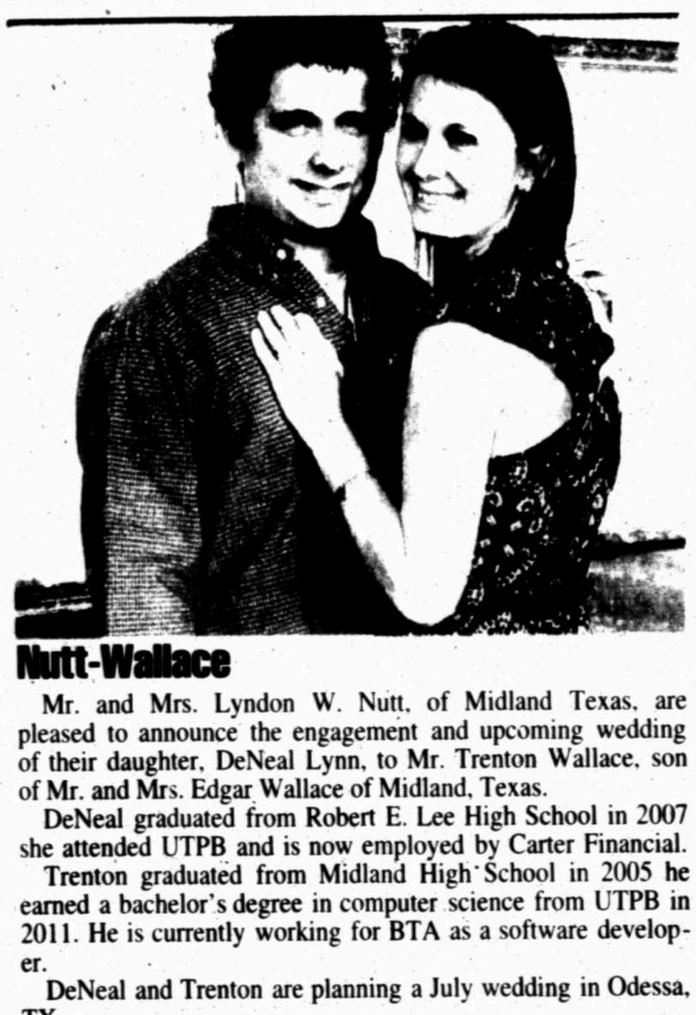
Escorted by her father and given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore a couture gown designed by Caroline Castigliano of London, England. The ivory strapless gown of duchess satin silk features a sweetheart neckline with gentle pleats sweeping across the front, an embroidered belt of heirloom crystals and a full skirt with an elegant train. To complement the gown, the bride wore a veil of Brussels lace designed by Jenny Kim Couture of Houston. The lace used is more than 100 years old and was worn by her mother as well as several generations of brides from her mother's side of the family. The bride wore earrings of pearls and diamonds from her late great-grandmother, Mrs. Julia S. Obermayer, and a pearl bracelet from her grandmother, Mrs. Sally M. Atnipp. She carried a delicate handkerchief embroidered with the names of 11 brides from the Obermayer family who carried it with them during their weddings. The couple were married under a chuppah created by renowned artist Reeva Shaffer of Oakton, Virginia made from the exquisite wedding train of Mrs. Julia S. Obermayer's dress from 1923.

Serving her sister as maid of honor was Sarah Adele Atnipp. Bridesmaids were Laura Michele Hamilton, Meredith Claire Markham, Ashley Callais Marshall, Lauren Collins Pitts, Jacqueline Layne Vahrenhamp and Bailey Marie Woodson. Julia Alice Malpass and Addison Grace Blackburn served as flower girls. Members of the house party included Grace Prudence Lee, Emily Rose Malpass and Sydney Ann Burgess.

Serving as the best man was brother of the groom Kyle Alan Stellar. Groomsmen included brothers of the Bride Benjamin Clay Atnipp and William Douglas Atnipp as well as Brett Patrick Helweg, Russell Blake Hill, Jason Tyler Jones, Robert Kameron Kneisley and Dr. Gregory Thomas Lawler. Serving as the ushers were Emil Anthony Boehm, John Parker Hamilton, Robert Bowen Hannis and Thomas Neil McDaniel. Benjamin Michael Blackburn served as the couple's ring bearer.

Julia is a 2005 graduate from The Kinkaid School in Houston, and a 2009 graduate of Texas Christian University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Advertising/Public Relations. She is a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority. She is currently employed as a sales representative with Clarity Homes in Fort Worth. Adam graduated from Arlington Heights High School in 2002 in Fort Worth. He is a 2006 graduate from Southwestern University in Georgetown, Texas with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business. He is a member of Kappa Alpha fraternity. Adam is employed as a Regional Land Manager at Jetta Operating Company, Inc. in Fort Worth. Following their honeymoon in Belize, the couple will reside in Fort Worth.

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Nutt-Wallace

Mr. and Mrs. Lyndon W. Nutt, of Midland Texas, are pleased to announce the engagement and upcoming wedding of their daughter, DeNeal Lynn, to Mr. Trenton Wallace, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Wallace of Midland, Texas.

DeNeal graduated from Robert E. Lee High School in 2007 she attended UTPB and is now employed by Carter Financial.

Trenton graduated from Midland High School in 2005 he earned a bachelor's degree in computer science from UTPB in 2011. He is currently working for BTA as a software developer.

DeNeal and Trenton are planning a July wedding in Odessa, TX.

fashion

Stylists, buyers say fashion is all about statement shoes

By Jocelyn Noveck
Associated Press

NEW YORK — It's a blustery day — February tends to be that way in New York — and Marian Kihogo, a fashion stylist and blogger from London, is dashing from one runway show to another, from the tents at Lincoln Center to studios and galleries scattered around Manhattan.

As she strides by on her "architectural heels" by Nicholas Kirkwood for Peter Pilotto, the heels hollowed out for artistic effect, this reporter dares to suggest she might be more comfortable in running shoes.

She laughs. "Running shoes! That would be fashion suicide. I think the fashion powers-that-be would stone me!"

An exaggeration? Maybe just a bit. Kihogo is merely giving a colorful rendition of an unspoken rule at Fashion Week: It's all about the shoes. And we're not talking about the models. We're talking about the audience.

Never mind the snow, rain or sleet. Never mind the subway steps or those dashes for a cab. Never mind the long hours on one's feet. Most Fashion Week regulars wouldn't be caught dead without a pair of statement heels.

It's all a little intimidating for the uninitiated, who may find themselves panicking the first time they sit in the front row of a runway show. For us, the command, "Uncross your legs!" induces something akin to terror.

That's what the pack of photographers at the foot of the runway calls out to ensure their camera shots won't be ruined by a dangling foot. But it's also the moment all eyes shift downward, and suddenly one's feet feel naked.

Scratch that. Bare feet actually would be better than a scruffy pair of booties with worn-down heels and cracked toes. (Sorry Aerosoles, they were lovely six years ago when I bought them.) Or, the Land's End children's rain boots your 11-year-old has grown out of, but still fit you.

Now, we don't mean to exaggerate. Sometimes you can find a pair of sneakers in the front row. Usually they're studded, perhaps part of an overall grunge look belonging to some handsome and hip young man, or to a woman on crutches. Although, last year, this reporter witnessed a woman on crutches at a fashion show, the injured foot in an orthopedic boot, the other in ... wait for it ... a stiletto.

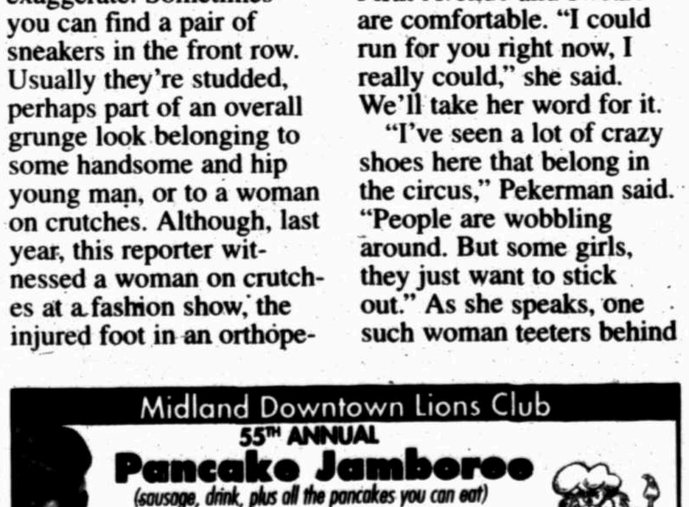
"Wow," said an admiring Pamela Pekerman, who's covering fashion for After-Buzz TV, hearing the anecdote. "That's going for it."

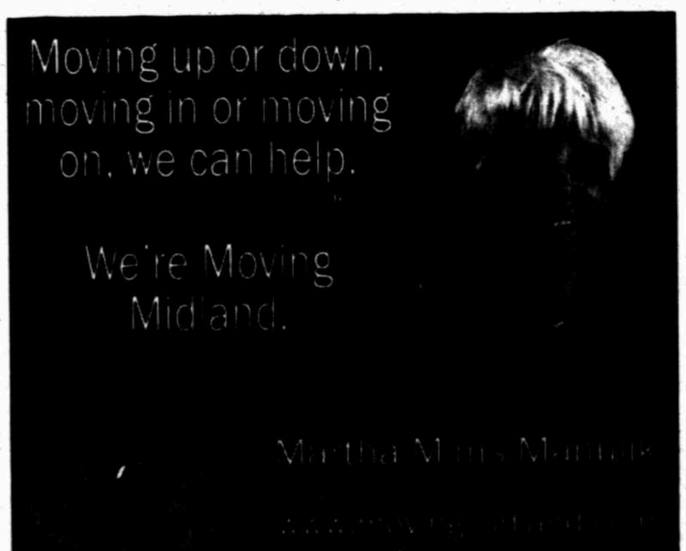
Pekerman thinks she's found a happy medium — a pair of Brian Atwood heels in lavender that she bought on sale at Saks Fifth Avenue and swears are comfortable. "I could run for you right now, I really could," she said. We'll take her word for it.

"I've seen a lot of crazy shoes here that belong in the circus," Pekerman said. "People are wobbling around. But some girls, they just want to stick out." As she speaks, one such woman teeters behind her, stepping rhythmically but gingerly across Lincoln Center Plaza and over to 65th Street, where we pray the traffic light gives her enough time to cross.

Pekerman does have one little secret — foot petals, basically soft pads you sneak into your shoes to provide a little cushioning. But some women, says one fashion insider, have another, darker secret.

"I know from experience that there are plenty of flats tucked away in tote bags," said Ken Downing, fashion director for Neiman Marcus, with a wink. "And sitting in the back seats of sedans."





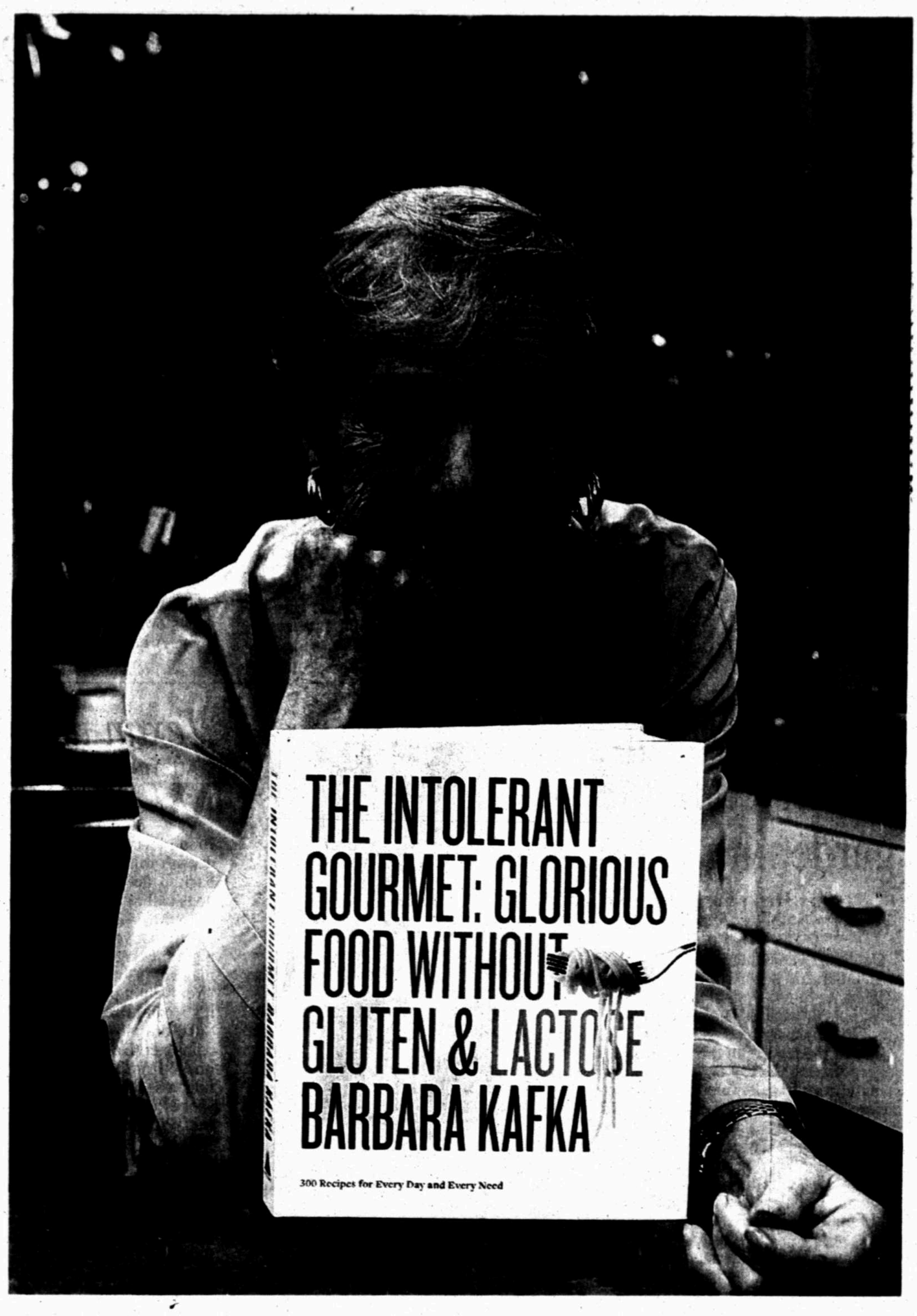
Author tackles gluten-, lactose-free food in cookbook

Associated Press

During the many decades of her career, Barbara Kafka has worked hard to bring to home cooks recipes that are delicious, approachable and ahead of the culinary curve.

This time she has tackled gluten- and lactose-free cooking, drawing on a wide vocabulary of ingredients and techniques to create richly flavored dishes that seem lacking in nothing.

This fragrant tandoori chicken hits the mark in both authenticity and dietary restrictions. Make an extra portion of the sauce to use on salmon, which takes to it especially well.



Tandoori Chicken Breasts

Start to finish: 1 hour 10 minutes (15 minutes active)
Servings: 4

1 1/2 tablespoons safflower oil, divided
1 medium yellow onion, cut into 1/4-inch dice (1 1/2 cups)
3 cloves garlic, thinly sliced
1/2 teaspoon ground cardamom
1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper
1/3 teaspoon turmeric
1/4 teaspoon ground cumin
1/4 teaspoon ground mace
1/8 teaspoon dry mustard
1/8 teaspoon cinnamon
1/8 teaspoon nutmeg
1/8 teaspoon ground black pepper
1 teaspoon kosher salt
1 1/2 teaspoons lime juice
1 1/2 tablespoons coconut milk
4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts (9 to 10 ounces each)

In a large saute pan over medium, heat 1 tablespoon of the oil. When the oil shimmers, reduce the heat to low and add the onion, garlic, cardamom, cayenne, turmeric, cumin, mace, mustard, cinnamon, nutmeg, pepper and salt. Cook until the onions begin to turn translucent, about 10 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Transfer the contents of the pan, scraping with a silicon spatula, to a blender. Add the lime juice and coconut milk. Blend well, about 1 minute.

Coat both sides of each chicken breast with the spice mixture. Place the chicken breasts flat on a plate, cover with plastic wrap, then refrigerate for 30 minutes.

Heat the broiler with a rack set in the middle of the oven.

Use the remaining 1/2 tablespoon of oil to lightly coat a 10-by-8-inch baking or roasting pan. Place the chicken breasts in an even layer in the pan. Broil for 10 minutes, then turn the chicken pieces over. Broil for 8 to 10 minutes longer. Remove from the oven and serve immediately.

Nutrition information per serving (values are rounded to the nearest whole number): 360 calories; 90 calories from fat (26 percent of total calories); 10 g fat (3 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 150 mg cholesterol; 4 g carbohydrate; 60 g protein; 1 g fiber; 650 mg sodium.

(Recipe from Barbara Kafka's "The Intolerant Gourmet," Artisan, 2011)

Researchers look at portion sizes, plate colors

By Lauran Neergaard
Associated Press

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> **—Janet Schwatz**
> marketing professor at Tulane University

WASHINGTON — Call it the alter-ego of super-sizing.

Researchers infiltrated a fast-food Chinese restaurant and found up to a third of diners jumped at the offer of a half-size of the usual heaping pile of rice or noodles — even when the smaller amount cost the same.

Giant portion sizes are one of the culprits behind the epidemic of bulging waistlines, and nowhere is the portion-creep more evident than in restaurants with French fry-heavy meal deals or plates overflowing with pasta. Now scientists are tapping into the psychology of eating to find ways to trim portions without people feeling cheated — focusing on everything from the starchy sides to the color of the plates.

"The small Coke now is what used to be a large 15 years ago," laments psychologist Janet Schwartz, a marketing professor at Tulane University who led the Chinese food study. "We should ask people what portion size they want," instead of large being the default.

Restaurants are paying close attention, said prominent food-science researcher Brian Wansink of Cornell University. His own tests found children were satisfied with about half the fries in their Happy Meal long before McDonald's cut back the size, and the calories, last year.

"We'll be seeing some very creative ways of down-sizing in the next couple of years," predicted Wansink, author of "Mindless Eating: Why We Eat More Than We Think."

But let's call it "right-sizing," said Duke University behavioral economist Dan Ariely. Right-size suggests it's a good portion, not a cut, he says.

Couldn't you just get a doggie bag? Sure, if you've got the willpower to stop before your plate is mostly clean. Lots of research shows Americans don't. We tend to rely on visual cues about how much food is left, shoveling it in before the stomach-to-brain signal of "hey wait, I'm getting full" can arrive.

So Schwartz and Ariely tested a different approach: Could we limit our own temptation if we focus not on the tastiest reason we visited a restaurant — the entree — but on the side dishes? After all, restaurants can pile on calorie-dense starches like rice or pasta or fries because they're very inexpensive, filling the plate so it looks like a good deal, Schwartz said.

A popular Chinese franchise at Duke University, with a mix of students, staff and visitors to the campus hospital, allowed the researchers in at lunchtime.

In the serving line, customers pick the rice or noodles first. The standard serving is a whopping 10 ounces, about 400 calories even before ordering the entree, says Schwartz. There was no half-size option on the menu board.

In a series of experiments, servers asked 970 customers after their initial rice or noodle order: "Would you like a half-order to save 200 calories?" Those who said yes didn't order a higher-calorie entree to compensate. Weighing leftovers showed they threw away the same amount of food as customers who refused or weren't offered the option.

A 25-cent discount didn't spur more takers. Nor did adding calorie labels so people could calculate for themselves, the researchers report in this month's journal Health Affairs — concluding the up-front offer made the difference.

Anywhere from 14 percent to 33 percent chose the reduced portions, depending on the day and the mix of customers.

Even 200 fewer calories can add up over time. And other tricks can trim portions without people noticing, whether dining out or at home. Cornell's Wansink found people served 18 percent more pasta with marinara sauce onto a red plate than a white one — and 18 percent more pasta alfredo onto a white plate.

A stark contrast "makes you think twice before you throw on another scoop," said Wansink. His own family bought some dark dinner plates to supplement their white ones, because people tend to overeat white starches more than veggies.

Wansink's other research has found:

- Switching from 11-inch plates to 10-inch plates makes people take less food, and waste less food. The slightly smaller plate makes a normal serving look more satisfying.
- People think they're drinking more from a tall skinny glass than a short wide one even if both hold the same volume, a finding Wansink says was widely adopted by bars.
- Beware if kids eat from the adult bowls. He found 6-year-olds serve themselves 44 percent more food in an 18-ounce bowl than a 12-ounce bowl.

Restaurants are starting to get the message that at least some customers want to eat more sensibly. Applebees, for example, has introduced a line of meals under 550 calories, including such things as steak.

And a National Restaurant Association survey found smaller-portion entrees, "mini-meals" for adults and kids, and bite-size desserts made a new trend list.

It's all consumer demand, says association nutrition director Joy Dubost: More diners now are "requesting the healthier options and paying attention to their calories."

Healthy family unit helps in chronic disease management

Dr. Stephen Ponder



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At the risk of over-simplifying a very complex topic, let's say there are two broad categories of health care delivery in the United States: urgent or acute care and long-term or chronic disease management. The former is what we hope always is there for us or our children in times of need, but the latter is sometimes more elusive and challenging to obtain. Persons with chronic disorders certainly need access to acute care. The best way to look at this is the latter is built upon the former.

But in contrast to acute care, the patient or family play a pivotal role in the outcomes of many chronic disorders, such as diabetes or asthma. As a provider of chronic care to children, I've been impressed with the positive role a patient's home environment and family functioning plays in his or her health outcomes. A healthy family unit is an asset in combating a chronic health threat.

So just how healthy are American families today? Based on a recent report from the Centers for Disease Control, we should be very concerned. A survey of more than 26,000 adults revealed practically 6 out of 10 had difficult childhoods which included abusive family members and absent parents because of separation and divorce.

About 1 American in 11 has had "adverse childhood experiences", which include physical, verbal or sexual abuse and/or dysfunctional families because of substance abuse, domestic violence or absentee parent. Sadly, 1 in 9 American adults was sexually abused as a child. And because these data were self-reported, it's believed this is an underestimate of the overall problem.

One of my guiding principles of high-quality chronic health care delivery states an intact, functioning family environment is associated with better health outcomes than a broken or dysfunctional home. Before I ever can prescribe a course of treatment for a diabetic, I explore the social and family background of my patient and family. It should come as no surprise the more decision points in the management of a chronic health condition, like diabetes or asthma, the greater the chances family or social problems will prevent good outcomes.

It seems we often tend to focus more on the latest new diabetes technology or the latest diabetes drug as somehow transcendent of the stressors and challenges of everyday life. An insulin pump won't protect a child from an abusive or neglectful caregiver. An impaired or absent parent can't deliver timely therapy to avert a catastrophic asthma attack in their child.

Good things would result immediately from greater attention to the seemingly more mundane needs of our chronically ill children, than from creating more expensive and complex new therapies. One of my greatest secret weapons against diabetes is my social worker; a professional who identifies many of these life problems and offers reasonable and affordable solutions to remedy some of them. But as a doctor, the awareness of these problems allows me the opportunity to shape a diabetes treatment plan that takes the shaky family situation into consideration. Did it work? I only can say at my most recent place of employment, we had one of the lowest rates of uncontrolled diabetes in the United States.

The implications of a poor childhood are long-lasting and include both mental and physical health risks. Adults abused as children have been shown to suffer greater rates of diabetes, cancer, heart disease, depression, substance abuse and early death. But this in turn gets passed on to future generations in other ways, both directly in the form of abusive parenting behaviors and indirectly by less involvement in the health and well being of a chronically ill child.

Barn owls have become more common over the years



BURR WILLIAMS

Burr Williams is executive director of Sibley Nature Center.

The barn owl lives in nearly every land except the polar regions, New Zealand and Oceania. It is scarce in southwestern U.S. and there were few records in Midland County until the late 1960s. In spring of 1967 the late Ted Jones reported in "The Phalarope," the Midland Naturalists newsletter, "on April 23 two medium sized shadows were seen in a hackberry at the Boone ranch, but escaped without identification, as they did the next week also. On May 7, MIDNATS recognized two barn owls circling above the grove of soapberry west of the ranch house. The owls have been seen at Boone at intervals since then, and one was spotted in the clump of elms at Rose Acres — Midland's original sewage ponds — last fall. MIDNATS later found another on the Houston ranch in western Glasscock County. How many owls this adds up to is uncertain."

Owls are birds of prey like hawks, which they resemble in having hooked beaks and powerful feet and talons. They differ in having large, seemingly neckless heads with forward-facing eyes set in disks of radiating feathers. Owls have soft fluffy plumage (the feather has a short shaft) even on their feet, which muffles the sound of their flight. Whereas hawks tear at a carcass, swallowing bits of flesh, owls have no crop and swallow prey whole if possible. Later they regurgitate the bones, fur and feathers in pellets that can be seen beneath their perches. An examination of 454 skulls found in the pellets under one owl nest revealed all but one of the skulls were rodents. Except for parrots, owls are the only birds that transfer food to their mouths with their feet.

The prey of the barn owl has no warning, because the owl strikes swiftly, silently and accurately in the darkness. It can see in the dark much better than a human. Because the eyes are set directly in front, the owl can judge distance to a certain extent by triangulation. This power is improved if the prey moves, and if it does not, the owl moves its head from side to side. Even in absolute darkness the barn owl can catch its prey by the sound of a squeak or a rustle of leaves. Owls are almost the only birds with external ears — not to be confused with tufts of feathers — approaching those of mammals. The eardrums are large and the ears differ in placement, so the owl can better judge the direction of the sound.

Many stories have been told of the appetite of barn owls. A fledgling owl can eat its own weight every night. A half-grown owl, given all it could eat, swallowed eight mice in rapid succession and a ninth all but the tail, which hung out for some time. Three hours later the owl ate four more mice. The parents are efficient hunters; in one case 16 mice were carried to the nest in 25 minutes, in addition to three gophers, a squirrel and a rat. In other places barn owls eat creatures that are not available in dry West Texas, but never any vegetable matter. The hawks and owls at Boone are really the friends of the farmers and ranchers because they destroy vast numbers of grass and grain-eating animals. They also help the hunter by catching the rodents that eat the eggs of scaled quail and bobwhite.

Barn owls do not go to much trouble in building a nest. Any box or corner of a building will do, but abandoned hawks' nests, hollow trees, abandoned wells and burrows also are used. In a small cavity no lining is necessary. On a flat place a crude nest of sticks and trash is constructed. The nest is quite untidy, with pellets all around.

Barn owls breed early, starting in February. They lay five to seven, or even 11, pointed white eggs. The eggs are laid at intervals of two or three days and are incubated immediately, so there are young birds of different sizes in the nest. At six weeks the young weigh more than the adults, and must lose weight before they can become swift hunters. Fledglings are pugnacious and hiss when disturbed. If you find a nest, leave it alone, but call me at 684-6827 so we can map the location.

Downsizing makes container gardening easier

By Dean Fosdick
Associated Press



Container gardening is growing smaller.

Suppliers are downsizing this season with easier-to-use trough planters, raised beds, pots or bags. It's an effective way to produce edibles or blooms in tight spaces.

One of the leaders in this less-is-better concept is EarthBox, a Scranton, Pa., manufacturer of self-watering plant containers. A half-size version designed for growing herbs and salad greens outdoors on deck railings, patios, rooftops and fire escapes, or indoors from kitchen windowsills, was introduced in January.

"It was a consumer-driven product," said Frank DiPaolo, EarthBox's general manager. "People told us they were interested in using self-watering technology for leafy greens and herbs and for growing them inside. For that purpose, the original EarthBox might have been too big."

Like the EarthBox original, the compact "Junior" has a water reservoir that wicks moisture to plant roots, reducing the need for daily watering while boosting yields. Junior measures just 23 by 7.25 by 9.5 inches, compared to the original's 29 by 14 by 11 inches.

An estimated 17 percent of gardeners — or about 20 million households — do their growing in containers, often in restricted spaces, said Bruce Butterfield, market research director for the National Gardening Association.

Many people don't have the need or the urge to grow eight or 10 herb plants, DiPaolo said. "Going downsized gives them a chance to grow just a couple of things they desire. Then they can free up their standard-size boxes for tomatoes and larger plants like that."

Containers come in all shapes and sizes and are particularly popular with urban gardeners. They are portable, easy to reach across, and absorb more of the sun's heat for faster plant growth than in-ground gardens do.

"They're also good season extenders," DiPaolo said. "I have mine sitting on the edge of the driveway. If I have tomatoes that are still bearing in late fall, I simply roll them into the garage overnight to protect them from frost, and then roll them back out again in the morning for some sun."

Tiered planters, window boxes, hanging baskets and grow bags also qualify as small space planters.

"Bags can easily be stored from season to season if you live in an urban area," said Maree Gaetani, a spokeswoman for Gardener's Supply Co., in Burlington, Vt. "We have raised beds (kits) now that you can set right on your patio."

Most common garden vegetables can be container-grown, although plant breeders have developed some new dwarf varieties that produce uncommonly high yields. Shallow-root edibles that perform well in pots include lettuces, peppers, onions, carrots, radishes and herbs.

"What really matters when you're growing vegetables in containers is making sure you fertilize," Gaetani said. "It also matters what kinds of soils you use so they aerate properly. Growing the right kinds of plants, giving them the right amount of water and finding locations that provide at least five hours of sun per day also are important."

Using the smaller, lighter containers makes it a great deal easier to move them there.

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Texan uses invention to capture hogs



MIKE LEGGETT

Mike Leggett writes for the Austin American-Statesman.

AUSTIN — When he gets a text or email message during the night, Brandon Tilford usually doesn't roll over and go back to sleep. It could be hogs calling.

To the 34-year-old Austin native, that midnight message — that magical "Ding!" — says: "You've got pigs." And, it's a call to action.

Tilford moves to his computer. He summons an image from a remote location, a security camera shot of a steel cage hog trap. Pictured are some wild hogs that have wandered inside the trap in search of food. Tilford has a decision to make. He sends a signal, tripping a remote switch, and the vertical gate on the trap slams down, trapping the pigs inside.

"Pigs are smart," Tilford said. "If you shoot them, they move. But if you catch the whole sounder (an old collective noun meaning a group of hogs), then you can control them." And remove them.

Tilford has become so efficient and non-intrusive with his high-tech trapping method he's doing a brisk business working with subdivisions and golf courses to get rid of their hogs. He has a patent pending on the contraption.

"I'm not a big hunter, or even a hog hunter," said Tilford. "We have this huge population, and they do a lot of damage. I just thought I could make this work."

Tilford designed a round trap with 5-foot sides and a guillotine-style gate, then installed cameras and remote sensors he learned about through his wife's security work. The electronics allow him to monitor and activate the trap remotely, and selectively.

"I get an email when something is in my trap," Tilford said. On one single night recently, he saw raccoons, possums, a ringtail, a fox and hogs hoovering up the cheap dog food he uses to bait his traps. "I can trip the switch for the game, and it closes within five seconds."

The trick is to activate the trap at the best time, catching a maximum number of hogs and no other animals.

"I watch the computer for a couple of nights usually. More (hogs) will come almost every night," Tilford said. Hogs are smart enough to know a free meal when they see it, and they'll keep coming back as long as the food is there.

"I can count the hogs and when I get the same number two nights in a row, I'll usually know I have the whole sounder and then I can spring the gate."

During the past nine to 10 months, he has caught between 400 and 500 hogs.

"The largest number I've caught has been 52 in one spot. One sounder with 32 and another with 20," he said.

From the traps, the hogs are taken to a processing facility, where Tilford trades them in for 30-45 cents per pound on the hoof. The larger the pig, the more money it brings. The processed meat, especially the larger animals, is usually bound for Europe and China, he said.

Tilford says he generally sets his traps on a Sunday or Monday, then returns to the family advertising business Tuesday through Thursday. He'll spring the trap Thursday night or on the weekend, pick up his hogs the following day and move on to his next trapping site.

"I try to put as little stress on the hogs as I can, to be as safe and humane as possible," he said. He moves them quietly into a trailer for transport to the processing facility. "My goal when I started was to trap at least 200 a month," he said. He's nearing that goal now as he becomes more proficient with his trapping method and the three traps that he has put into service.

Because he never hunted hogs, Tilford got the idea for his trapping service, www.gothogs.net, while watching a PBS show on the creatures. He's seen the damage that hogs do to crops, golf courses and lawns in suburban areas. And he knows that, with as many as 4 million feral hogs living in Texas today, their numbers probably aren't going to decrease any time soon.

One thing he's learned starting from scratch is feral hogs aren't nearly the behemoths most people think of when they think hogs. Hogzilla is more legend that legendary.

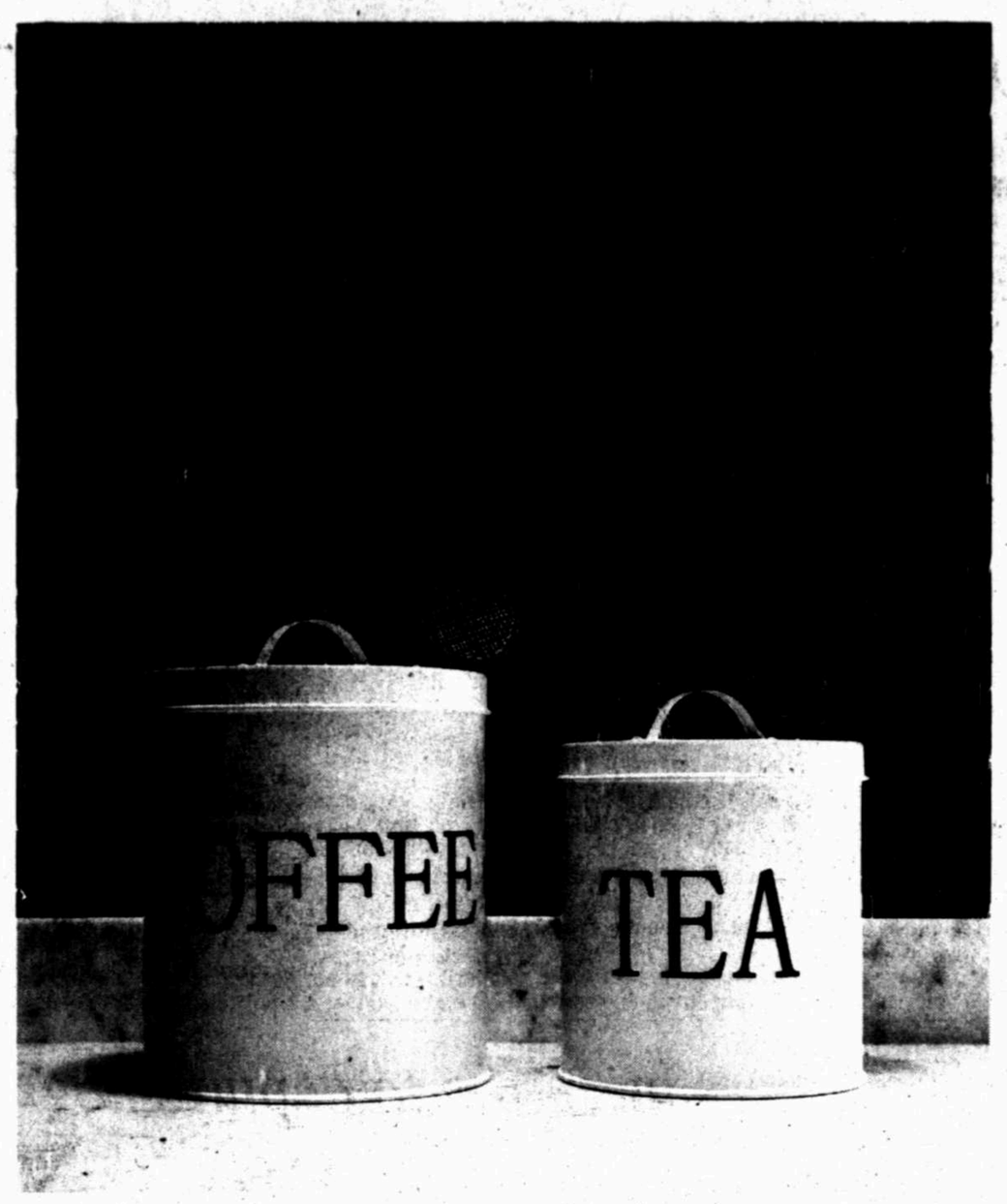
"Most big pigs will weigh less than 200 pounds," Tilford said. They only look like 400-pounders. "The largest I've ever caught was 275 pounds. I caught him on a golf course."

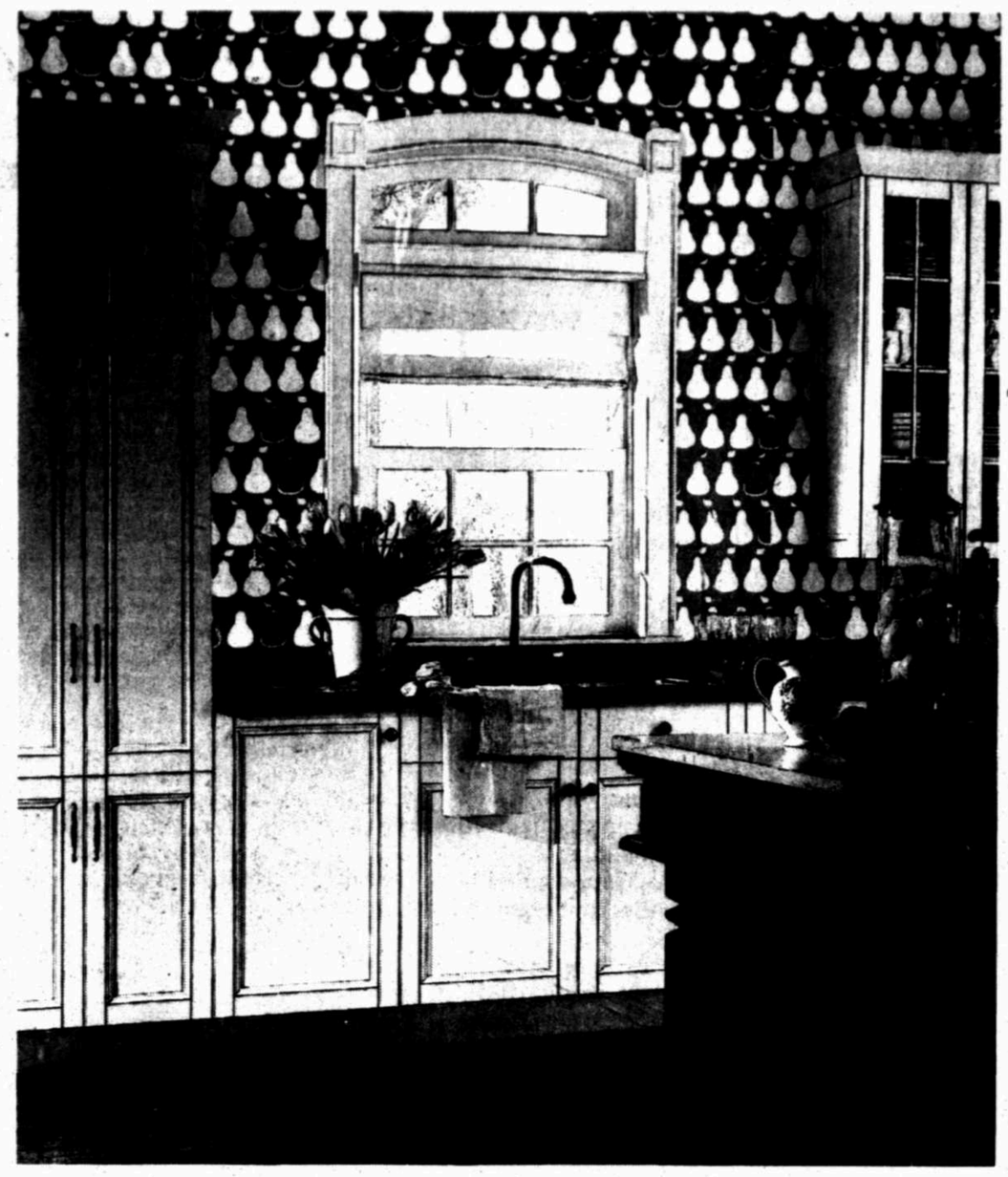
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Designers putting the 'kitsch' back in American kitchens

By Sarah Wolfe
Associated Press

Kitchens have become so serious.

All that granite, dark wood and stainless steel. The heart of the home these days is more like a sleek and severe shrine to haute cuisine.

But kitchens don't have to be as stressful as an episode of "Top Chef." Designers are increasingly turning to retro, whimsical touches like coffee cup wallpaper, bright vintage dishware patterns, and colorful appliances and electronics to bring the fun back into this increasingly streamlined room.

"I think we're reaching back to simpler times, when America was kind of on track and things were looking up. ... It's something that hits an emotional chord," said Rosanna Bowles, founder and owner of the Seattle-based Rosanna Inc. tableware line.

Here are some fun and simple ways to put the "kitsch" back into your kitchen.

Wallpaper and wallcoverings

Ditch the staid neutrals in favor of a fun wallpaper, said Gina Shaw, a designer with Pennsylvania-based York Wallcoverings.

The company's new Bistro 750 collection features a savory mix of fanciful fruit, cutlery, kitchen utensils and coffee cups in cheery colors like teal, salmon and lime.

"We really wanted to create wallpapers that would work in today's kitchens, where families gather, eat, drink and socialize — a fun, bistro atmosphere," Shaw said.

Anthony Carrino and John Colaneri, hosts of HGTV's "Kitchen Cousins," introduced a retro feel in one of their recent kitchen makeovers by attaching paneling from Inhabit Living in a basket-weave pattern to the walls.

"After you install the panels, you can caulk the seams, sand them down a bit, put some primer on and add a big pop of color," Carrino said.

Appliances

Also big in kitchens right now are retro appliances that look like they belong in grandma's 1950s kitchen but run like their modern-day cousins.

Carrino and Colaneri brought some quirk to a country kitchen by installing a retro range and hood set from Colorado-based Big Chill, which offers fridges, stoves and even dishwashers in any color but stainless steel, accented by chrome trim.

"It looks like a classic car. ... It's like having a Bosch or Frigidaire with that kind of dependability but you've got that cool, retro feel to the whole thing," Carrino said.

Kitchenaid and some small manufacturers also now make blenders, mixers and other appliances in funky colors like pistachio and tangerine to add panache to countertops.

Countertops

Speaking of counters, don't think you're relegated to granite, solid surface or laminate choices.

Try something fresh and unique like the Motivo embossed collection by California-based Caesarstone, which is primarily advertised as a wall treatment but which Carrino used as a surface for kitchen countertops.

"We saw it and bought it on the spot," he said. "We designed it into the first kitchen we could find. It is absolutely gorgeous."

The collection comes in lace and crocodile patterns, and adds texture to a space by combining matte and glossy finishes in an unusual way, Carrino said.

Dishware

Carry the kitschy feel to your cupboards and display shelves with dishes bedecked in whimsical floral or bird patterns, and glassware in Depression-era hobnail or Mid-century Modern lines, said Bowles.

Even a quirky red polka-dotted cookie tray or serving piece, as featured in Bowles' new Flea Market Chic collection for spring, can dress up an otherwise traditional all-white table.

Those looking to save money can look to family heirlooms, Bowles says. "Shop either your mother's closet or your grandmother's closet and you'll find amazing things," she said.

Accents

Atlanta-based artist Jordan Sandlin and her husband, Jeff, have embraced the kitchen in their mid-century, split-level home by doing away with its old "buyer-friendly" neutral color scheme in favor of robin's-egg-blue cabinets, red Formica countertops, vintage light fixtures, and plenty of thrift store and estate sale finds.

A collection of screen-printed serving trays dating to the 1950s line the wall above the kitchen cabinets, while a recent find — an original, signed Charlie Harper print of two white eagles set against a light gray background — dresses up a barren wall.

A red-and-white, 1950s formica table, vinyl chairs, old bourbon bottles and vintage plates further separate their kitchen from today's pack of "granite-covered kitchen monstrosities," the couple says.

Jeff Sandlin said they hoped to transform the room "from a bland space with no identity to one we hoped would be better called a 'kitsch-en.' We feel that our kitchen is a space that defines our home and design style, while declaring our enjoyment and respect for the past."

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Modern botanicals feel like spring

By Kim Cook
Associated Press

If you followed the spring fashion shows, you noticed floral motifs blooming all over the place.

Diane Von Furstenberg used feminine pastels. Peter Som used digital florals in over-saturated, intense pigments. Timo Weiland created watery digital prints that floated down the catwalk.

And inspiration from the runway often finds its way into our rooms.

So it's no surprise that in home decor this spring, botanicals are big. You'll find everything from restrained nature motifs to saucy florals, executed in painterly hues, photo prints and pop art graphics.

And while soft goods — bedding, pillows and so on — are where some of the best examples can be found, watch too for upholstered furniture, wallcoverings and tabletop items featuring botanical prints.

San Francisco interior designer Jennifer Bishop loves incorporating botanical patterns, and likes all the modern options.

"This isn't like the past where a botanical garden exploded on your bedspread, drapery and wallpaper," she said. "Used as accents, botanicals can become so striking."

Bishop often uses a multicolored print as a launch point for a room's palette. She's a fan of needlework, mentioning Anthropologie's line of sewn lampshades.

She also likes the work of Florida artist Mindy Lighthipe, who makes watercolor, pencil, and pen and ink illustrations of unusual flora, such as exotic plants, insect-nibbled oak leaves and flowering kale. Lighthipe sells on Etsy.com.

Shrewsbury, Mass., designers Mitali Seth and Lovisa Shergill showed several interesting botanical print pillows at the recent New York International Gift Fair, including an evocative tree graphic.

"Before going to design school, my college major was botany, so nature always creeps into our collection," said Shergill. The "Trees" pillow was inspired by a scene outside their studio window. "The starkness of the branches against gray skies looked almost poetic," Shergill said.

There's a bolster in the line with a pretty oak leaf repeat, and several other pieces with unusual stylized prints.

Fans of contemporary style will also like the work of Chicago designers Robert Segal and Alicia Rosauer, who returned from four years in Finland with a decidedly Scandinavian aesthetic. For their Unison label, they've designed the Larch bedding set, with tree branches draped across duvets and pillowcases in either a rich bold plum or a subtle yet striking ash gray.

Pottery Barn offers several feminine options in a spring bedding collection that's marked by restful patterns and calming hues. Cherry blossoms bloom on a set by British artist Rosamund James. The Ravenna line is an Art Nouveau-inspired pattern, Giselle draws from an 18th century English print, and Alessandra was inspired by a 250-year-old, hand-blocked French textile.

If you like your bouquets bold, Annie Selke's vibrant, imaginative designs for soft goods retailer Pine Cone Hill include the Erika bedding collection, which features a broad leafy vine in hot-house hues of fuchsia or persimmon on crisp white.



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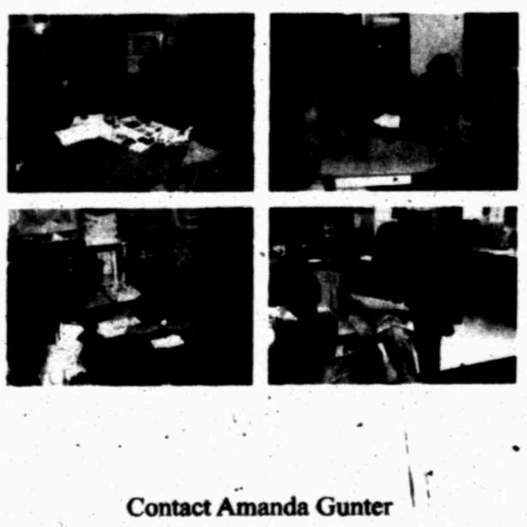
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Marcona almonds: What they are and how to use them

Editor's note: Off the Beaten Aisle is a weekly column by AP Food Editor J.M. Hirsch that also appears at FoodNetwork.com. It explores lesser known but widely available ingredients.

By J.M. Hirsch
AP Food Editor

Five years can make a world of difference for an almond.

That's about how long it took for Spain's addictively good marcona almond to go from obscure gourmet goodie to a Trader Joe's staple with serious culinary cred.

Why do you care? Because marconas are not your average almond. These wide, teardrop shaped treats are the filet mignon of the nut world.

Almost literally.

The flavor and texture of marcona almonds are entirely different than the more common California almond. A higher fat content helps explain the textural difference — tender-crunchy and moist. As for flavor, think uber savory and steak-like. And it doesn't hurt that they typically are processed by being fried in olive oil, then sprinkled with salt.

Once only a limited import, marcona almonds now are widely available, often sold near the cheese, olives and other so-called gourmet items.

As marconas have become more popular, new varieties are appearing, including some seasoned with rosemary and others with their brown skins intact.

But the best variant yet is marcona almond butter. Similar in texture to peanut butter, this spreadable treat is dangerously good.

In Spain, marcona almonds show up with savory and sweet companions. They pair nicely with cheeses, often are crushed and mixed into ground figs, and are added liberally to turron, a sweet honey-based Spanish nougat.

Tomato Sweet Potato Soup with Rosemary Marcona Almonds



This soup is great whatever the weather. When it's cool, serve it hot. When it's hot, serve it cool (and topped with a spoonful of sour cream).

Start to finish: 30 minutes
Servings: 8

2 tablespoons olive oil
1 medium yellow onion, finely diced
1 clove garlic, minced
2 cups peeled, diced sweet potato (1 large)
28-ounce can diced tomatoes
15-ounce can tomato sauce
2 cups chicken broth
1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar
Salt and ground black pepper
1/2 cup chopped marcona almonds
1 tablespoon finely chopped fresh rosemary

In a large saucepan over medium-high, heat the olive oil. Add the onion, garlic and sweet potato. Saute until the sweet potatoes start to brown, about 10 minutes.

Add the diced tomatoes, tomato sauce and chicken broth. Bring to a simmer, then cook until the potatoes are very tender, about 20 minutes.

Working in batches if needed, transfer the soup to a blender and puree until smooth. Return the soup to the pan, stir in the vinegar, then season with salt and pepper.

In a small bowl, mix together the almonds and rosemary. Ladle the soup into serving bowls, then sprinkle the almond mixture over each serving.

Nutrition information per serving (values are rounded to the nearest whole number): 149 calories; 73 calories from fat (49 percent of total calories); 8 g fat (1 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 0 mg cholesterol; 16 g carbohydrate; 4 g protein; 3 g fiber; 820 mg sodium.

Chef puts sweet potato take on classic Mardi Gras king cake

By Elizabeth Karmel
Associated Press

When I moved to New Orleans, I discovered that this was a city that — at least in terms of food — was a world to itself.

Many of its foods had little in common with those of the South I grew up in. Nearly everything was new and exciting and exotic. Some things, like the sherry-rich turtle soup and the spillway crayfish, I loved. Others, like the alligator sausage, I could never quite get used to.

But the thing I loved best was the Mardi Gras king cake. The original puff pastry version of "la galette des rois" was made by the occasional "French" bakery and was a simple, yet sophisticated affair with a beautiful flaky dough powdered with sugar. And, of course, a ceramic "baby" baked into it.

But the modern day king cake is a sweet Louisiana extravaganza and comes in more than 60 different "coffee-cake" like flavors, including king Creole pecan, apple, strawberry cream cheese, Bavarian cream and pina colada.

It is shaped like a great big baked donut and has a plastic baby stuck into the cake before it is decorated in purple (representing justice), green (representing faith) and gold (representing power) icing or sugar. The king cake party tradition dictates that the person who gets the baby in his or her slice must host the next king cake party during Mardi Gras season.

During Mardi Gras, I would have a king cake party almost every day, and over the course of a few years I tried almost every flavor made.

My favorite bakery boasted a "queen cake" made with Louisiana sweet potatoes. It was my favorite. And every year since moving away, I crave it.

It didn't take long for me to figure out that I could take all the rich flavors of my favorite "queen cake" and make a sweet potato bread pudding (also very popular in New Orleans). I use stale raisin bread to achieve the cinnamon coffee-cake like flavor and texture of king cake, and baked garnet sweet potato puree to make the bread pudding custard rich and moist.

I also honor the revelry of Mardi Gras by topping it with whiskey hard sauce while it is still warm.

Whiskey hard sauce is one of my favorite secrets to dressing up almost any warm cake, pie or pudding. Contrary to what it sounds like, it's not actually a sauce. It's more like a spread, until you put it on a hot dessert and the butter and sugar and whiskey melt and become a heady "sauce" that is truly the icing on the cake.

Hide a "baby" in the bread pudding once it comes out of the oven and before you ice it with the hard sauce, then carry on the Mardi Gras tradition.

Sweet Potato Bread Pudding with Whiskey Hard Sauce

Start to finish: 1 hour 15 minutes (20 minutes active)
Servings: 10

For the sauce:
1/2 cup unsalted butter, softened
1 cup sifted powdered sugar
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 tablespoon best-quality bourbon or rye
Pinch of salt

For the bread pudding:
8 cups torn or cubed stale raisin bread (about 1 large loaf)
1 cup coarsely chopped pecans
1/4 cup granulated sugar
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon mace
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup unsalted butter, melted
2 cups half-and-half
1 cup heavy cream
4 large eggs
1 cup packed light brown sugar
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
1 cup mashed baked garnet sweet potatoes

To make the sauce, in a large bowl use an electric mixer to cream together the butter and powdered sugar until light and fluffy. Mix in the vanilla, liquor and salt. Continue mixing until smooth and creamy. Cover and set aside. Also can be stored, covered, in the refrigerator for up to a month.

For the bread pudding, heat the oven to 350 F. Coat a 2-quart baking dish or individual ramekins with cooking spray.

In a large bowl toss together the raisin bread with the pecans, then set aside.

In a small bowl, mix together the granulated sugar, cinnamon, mace, nutmeg and salt. Toss the sugar mixture over the bread and pecans, then stir well. Drizzle everything with the melted butter, then toss to evenly distribute.

In a medium bowl, whisk together the half-and-half, cream, eggs and brown sugar. Add the vanilla and sweet potatoes, then mix well. Pour the sweet potato-cream mixture over the bread mixture and stir until well blended. Let stand for about 5 minutes, then spoon into the prepared baking dish or ramekins.

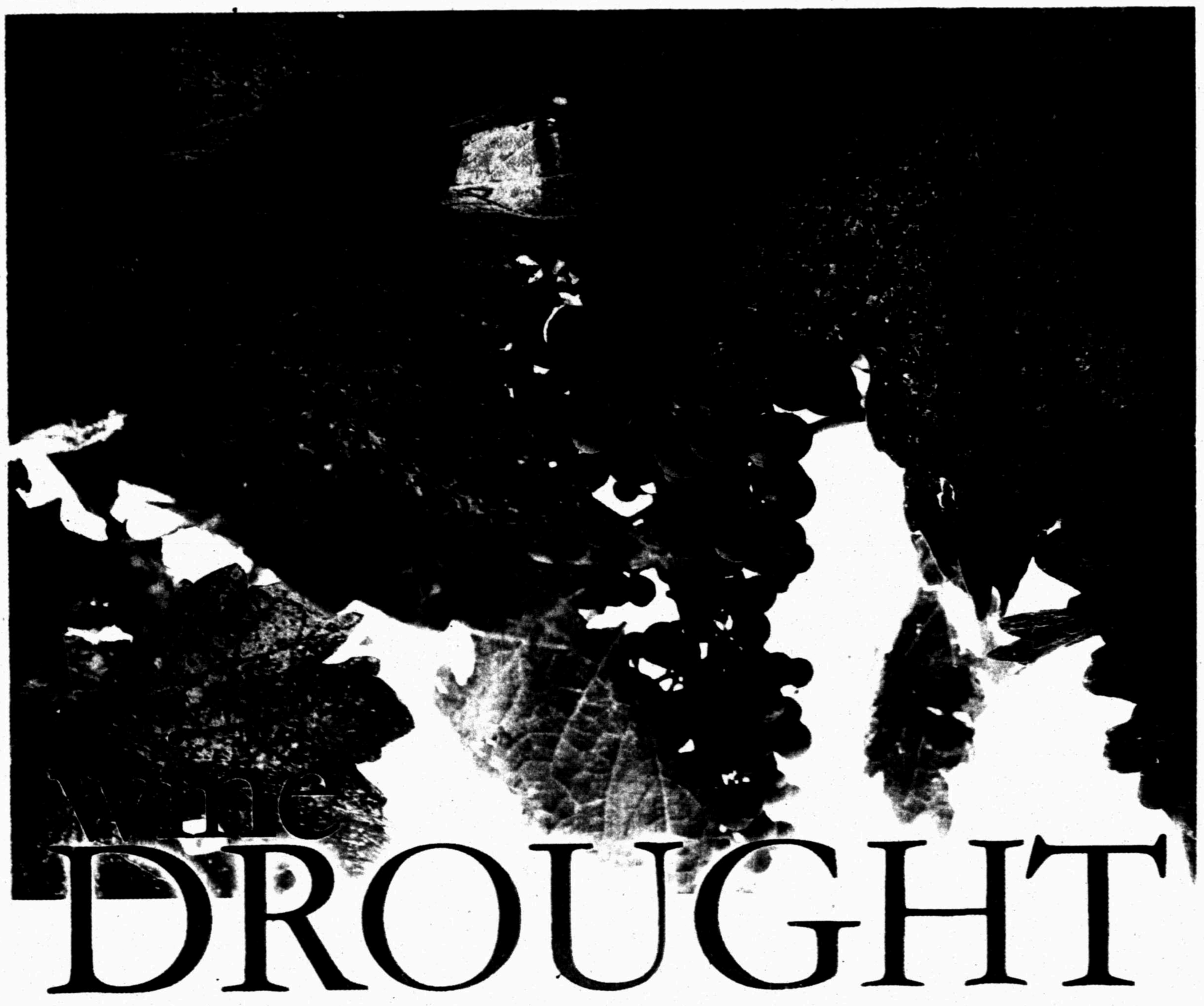
Bake for 45 to 55 minutes (bake ramekins for just 15 to 20 minutes), or until set.

As soon as the bread pudding comes out of the oven, top with hard sauce so that it melts into the crevices. Serve warm.





Basin Business



DROUGHT

NAMES *in the news*

DOSS ROGERS of Rogers Ford Sales in Midland has been re-elected as District #29 Director on the Texas Automobile Dealers Association Board.

Rogers will continue to serve as one of 39 Directors on the state-wide board which governs the franchised new car and truck dealers of Texas.

The Texas Automobile Dealers Association represents 1,200 franchised dealers who provide over 70,000 jobs throughout the state, and who generate $3 billion in taxes and fees to support state and local agencies.

FORT WORTH — Tailwind Oil & Gas announces the addition of **E.J. NADER** as chief financial officer.

Prior to joining Tailwind, Nader served as senior manager at KPMG LLP. During his 10 years at KPMG, he specialized in providing attestation and advisory services to investment advisors and funds, including private equity funds, hedge funds, credit funds, registered investment advisors, and broker-dealers. Prior to that, he was audit senior associate at Arthur Andersen LLP, where he worked with a number of public and private clients in the energy and technology industries.

The Small Business Development Center of the University of Texas of the Permian Basin will host two educational events for small businesses.

The U.S. Small Business Administration is sponsoring a workshop on the SBA Surety Bond Guarantee Program at the Center for Energy and Economic Diversification, FM 1788 and Highway 191, from 11 a.m. to noon on Thursday, February 23.

Also on February 23 is a discussion on living and working overseas. This will be held in the Mac Boring Room on the UTPB campus from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

Moderators are Tony Love, director of the UTPB Career Center and Enrique Romero, director of the Small Business Development Center. The program is free, includes lunch and is open to UTPB students and the general public.

Extreme weather in 2011 affects bottling of wines in 2012, 2013

By Kathleen Petty
Staff Writer

West Texas wineries are approaching the 2012 bottling process with fewer grapes than is typical after their vines were battered by the frigid temperatures, record drought and extreme heat of 2011.

"It was definitely, definitely smaller partially because of the long freezes and partially because of the extreme drought," said Phillip Anderson, general manager at Cap Rock Winery, speaking of the harvest. "The grapes we got were really good. The downside was we didn't get as many grapes."

Cap Rock is one of a handful of West Texas wineries that have begun the bottling process after seeing lower yields of grapes during the 2011 fall harvest.

As is the case with any crop, winery managers said the drought was tough on their plants.

But, said Greg Bruni, vice president executive wine maker at Llano Estacado, wineries are able to irrigate amid the drought so it was the extreme heat and cold that caused the most damage. When those harsh temperatures were combined with high winds, it made it difficult for grapes to pollinize as is needed to produce an abundant crop, he said.

"The drought is always going to be a problem with any agricultural crop," Bruni said. "The drought wasn't as bad as the windy weather that we had in June and the cold that we had in February ... When there's a lot of disturbance in the atmosphere it's hard for the little grapes to pollinize."

Grapes grown in Texas' High Plains region don't need a significant amount of water to succeed, which helped many of the plants live through the drought, winery managers said.

Still, even though the grapes grown in West Texas are conditioned for the unique climate found in this area, 2011 brought wackier weather than was normal.

Anderson said they're purchasing grapes from growers in Brownfield and other surrounding vineyards to help make up for the shortfall. In some cases, he said, they had contracted to produce 20 tons of a certain grape and only produced four or five tons, which is why they've had to reach out and partner with others.

The upside, he added, was that because there were fewer grapes, the quality was better than is normal. When vines are stressed by the weather, the grape clusters that do survive are provided more nutrients, he said.

"You get tasty grapes, which hopefully makes tasty wine," Anderson said.

Wineries in West Texas often bottle white wines and lighter red varieties during the end and beginning months of a year.

Other red wines are barreled and left to age. At some wineries they'll be bottled in early summer and at others not bottled for another 18 to 24 months, staff said.

Bruni said they're in the middle of bottling the 2011 vintage white wine and will simply make less because the crop yields were smaller.

Despite issues with crops during the last year, though, winery staff said regional sales are up, a trend occurring nationwide.

And, with the light snows that have occurred during the early part of 2012, vines are looking good so far. It's only when the cold temperatures come without moisture that they can wreak havoc, Bruni said.

"The dry cold is much more hard on the grapes than moist cold," he said.

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BUSINESS SCENE

Orange Leaf Yogurt hopes to satisfy Midland's sweet tooth

Now satisfying Midlanders' sweet tooth is ORANGE LEAF YOGURT, just open in the old Blockbuster Video location at 4400 N. Midkiff Road. Orange Leaf is located between Subway and Bliss Dental.

Manager Jaride Kanene said the shop currently has 16 machines dispensing frozen yogurt, but "many more" flavors are available. Some flavors, like vanilla and chocolate, are always available but Orange Leaf also has promotional flavors. For Valentines Day, for example, she said the special flavor was white chocolate strawberry.

Orange Leaf also has 32 toppings and customers are encouraged to request toppings not on the list. If there are enough requests, she said, it will be offered. The same goes for frozen yogurt flavors, she noted. Yogurt comes in 16 or 24 ounce cups and lids are available if customers want to take them home to enjoy later.



MELLA MCEWEN
Reporter-Telegram oil editor

"We want to offer the best customer service and be a family friendly store," Kanene said.

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The former staff of Expert Detail has moved to a new business, FIRST CLASS DETAIL, at 3201Franklin Avenue behind Ray's Auto Sales.

Owner Mario Espinoza, who managed Expert before it closed, said he and his staff offer complete detail work on cars, trucks, semis and boats. "We shampoo carpets and seats, clean headliners, consoles, cupholders, dashboards," he said. Different detail packages are available and prices depend on what the customer wants. For a car, prices range from $75 for a simple car wash to $140 for a complete detail, including the engine. For Suburbans, prices range from $125 to $185 and prices for dual-wheel trucks can go to $205.

The shop opens at 7:45 weekdays. More information is available or appointments made by calling 520-3877.

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Don't rush into marriage until boyfriend shows financial responsibility/**2F**

Opinions mixed on think tank's ranking of Texans' financial security/**2F**

DAVE SAYS

Don't rush into marriage until boyfriend shows more financial responsibility



DAVE RAMSEY

Dear Dave,

My boyfriend has a lot of debt. The other day a creditor called, and he wouldn't answer the phone. Then, he told me it would be easier for him to pay off his debts if we were married because I could act as his accountability partner. I don't want to be the money cop, and I wonder if he would truly be more motivated. What do you think?

Janine

Dear Janine,

Someone who isn't making any headway in getting out of debt while they're single probably isn't going to do a complete turnaround just because they get married. You can act as his accountability partner if you want, but you don't have to get married to help him. In fact, dating is probably a better way to do this, because you can determine whether he's really changing, or if he's just trying to get you on board to help pay the bills!

Don't misunderstand, Janine. Debt, in itself, doesn't keep someone from being marriage material. But you're definitely not marriage material if you don't work, you're irresponsible, you haven't taken control of your life, have no character or can't manage your own behaviors. These kinds of people are going to stay in debt and not be able to pay their bills for the rest of their lives.

I'd say date this guy a little longer, just to see if he's serious about changing. But don't get engaged yet, and don't pay one penny of his bills for him!

—Dave

Dear Dave,

My son is a sophomore at a local college, and he wants to transfer to a very prestigious university. If he did this he would incur more than $100,000 in student loan debt, and that's with us picking up half of the cost. What do you think I should tell him?

Will

Dear Will,

I'd have a hard time telling anybody that one school is $100,000 more valuable than another one. The fact is unless he has $100,000 lying around somewhere, he shouldn't go to that other school for one very simple reason – he can't afford it!

We hire people every week at my company, and where they attended college is a very minor deal. There will always be a few corporate types out there who play games and try to turn the office into some kind of snooty country club, but the fact is most employers don't care where you went to college.

It's what you learn and being able to use that knowledge in the marketplace that's really valuable, Will. Knowledge is king, and we live in a knowledge-based economy. If you can't retain and apply what they're teaching, then the only thing more worthless than a college degree is a college pedigree!

—Dave



Midland Chamber of Commerce forms a league of their own

The Midland Chamber of Commerce has enlisted the assistance of eight key community leaders to serve as General Managers of its new 2012 Spring Membership League. General Managers are, from left to right, Ken Marks, Lesley Donnell, Shafik Tejani, Charlie Spence, Jane Wolf (standing in for Joe Milam), Dr. Steve Thomas, Dr. Ryder Warren and Paul Cain. Each General Manager has agreed to recruit six team managers who will in turn recruit six players. All 344 League Members are asked to engage in a nine-week membership "Season." The team with the highest "batting average (most new members drafted)" will be honored along with an individual MVP at the end-of-season World Series to be held at Citibank Ballpark on May 10.

THE ECONOMIST

Opinion mixed on think tank's ranking of Texans' financial security



RAY PERRYMAN

The Perryman Group

Another flurry of headlines and reports caught my eye over the past few days, as they placed Texans among the worst off. The basis was a recent study by the Corporation for Enterprise Development (CFED), which ranked Texas 41st among all states in terms of the financial security of residents. Without a doubt, there are families struggling, and the recent recession has taken a toll on many households' savings and other money assets. However, Texas has avoided some major national problems (such as the severe housing market weakness in many areas), and the state economy continues to outperform most others. The reasons for the apparent disparity are somewhat subtle.

The CFED is a Washington, DC-based think tank. It espouses ideals such as "expanding economic opportunity" and fostering "social innovations that build wealth in low-income families and communities." Its priorities include savings and financial security, affordable housing, entrepreneurship and economic development. The CFED recently released its "Assets & Opportunity Scorecard," billed as a "comprehensive look at wealth, poverty and the financial security of families in the United States." By financial security, the report refers to having the assets (such as cash, a house, a car, etc.) to deal with emergencies or longer-term needs. All states (and the District of Columbia) are ranked along a spectrum of parameters and, as noted, Texas comes in at 41.

Among the five areas of interest where the CFED assigns grades, the worst was health care, which essentially boils down to the proportion of people who are uninsured. I couldn't agree more with this one; underinsurance has long been a problem in Texas. I've analyzed the situation a number of times from multiple perspectives: Medicaid, CHIP (the Children's Health Insurance Program), private insurance, indigent care, public hospitals, and many others. I serve on the board of one of the largest health insurance providers in the nation, and I am a small business owner. No matter how you slice it, insufficient insurance is a big problem in the state. It strains the entire system of health care provision and leads to a host of inefficiencies and higher costs. The difficulty, of course, is how to solve the underinsurance problem, particularly given tight budget conditions and current and evolving demographics. It will require a combination of regulatory reform, innovative procedures to improve efficiencies, and intelligent use of resources.

Texas also didn't compare well in the area of education (largely due to our low scores in the areas of high school graduation and 8th-grade reading proficiency). The "high school degree" statistic used in the study was 80.7 percent compared to 85.6 percent for the U.S., which puts the state dead last. Clearly, this situation is troubling, both now and in the future, and keeping kids in school and preparing them for life (and the workforce) should be a primary goal. We rank 42nd for 8th grade reading, something we should also work to improve. Good signs are the relatively high rankings in early childhood education enrollment (12th), 8th grade math proficiency (14th), and the fact that the average college graduate debt is lower ($20,919 in Texas compared to $25,250 nationally).

Texas' best score was in the area of housing and homeownership. While the rate of homeownership is slightly lower than the national average, we score very well in terms of affordability, the low percentage of foreclosures, and the relatively small differences in ownership levels among races. The Lone Star State didn't escape the downturn entirely, but we dodged the worst of it.

The CFED ranked Texas low (34 of 51) for the "businesses & jobs" category. I respectfully disagree. It looked at a variety of measures and found that the state doesn't compare well for some (such as small business ownership rate, business creation rate, and retirement plan participation). Certainly, we would like to see improvement, but the bottom line is that Texas businesses added some 260,000 net new jobs in 2011, and there have been job gains for the past 20 months. A host of publications and other studies rank the state among the best for small business and finding a job in the decades to come, and I fall squarely in this camp (though we do face some challenges).

In terms of the "financial assets & income" section of the CFED analysis, Texas ranked 37th based on poverty rates and various banking measures. As I've discussed in prior columns, measuring poverty is a difficult task. The number reported for income poverty by CFED for Texas households (15.7 percent) is significantly higher than that reported for by the Census Bureau report, which CFED itself calls the preferred source (Texas at 13.8 percent for families). Subtle differences in definitions aside, it is important to note that of the 10 urban areas found to be least expensive according to the widely used ACCRA Cost of Living Index, five of them are in Texas. To the extent that this fact is not fully incorporated, the results are skewed.

Any ranking is, by definition, shaped by the analysts' particular areas of interest and the weights assigned to various attributes. I agree that there are some significant problems facing Texas, particularly with regard to health insurance and educational attainment. However, I would argue that the one of the most important aspects of financial security is the ability to get a job, and few states can top Texas in that all-important category.

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Scammers target investors through social media sites

The anonymity of social media sites makes it easy for scammers

I thought I had made the perfect friend on Facebook. She liked all the same books and movies I did and we had some really entertaining exchanges over email.

Then she revealed her true purpose, a "can't miss" investment opportunity. If I would just give her $1,000, she could make me rich. Disappointed, I stopped responding to her emails.

This scam is all too common. Scammers use the anonymity of these social media sites to build relationships with potential investors. My "friend" used the information on my profile to build a relationship. And it worked.

Despite my knowledge of this type of scam, I felt a little guilty cutting her off. Part of me thought maybe I was being too harsh, that she really believed in the investment. Those feelings are what she was relying on to get my money.

Remember that investors are not the only target for scammers. Promoters of these investment scams also use online pitches to recruit people to sell illegal or inappropriate investments as well as spread misleading and untrue information to falsely inflate the value of a stock.

Better Business Bureau has these tips to protect you from unscrupulous social media investment opportunities:

■ Be wary of unknown "friends." If approached with an investment opportunity on a social media site, be cautious and ask questions. Don't make any quick decisions or rush to judgment just because you are "friends" with or follow someone on a social media site.

■ Protect your personal information. Check your privacy settings so you can control who can see your profile and exercise good judgment when posting personal information.

■ Avoid high-pressured pitches. Do not feel pressured to "act now." Take time to research any possible investment yourself. Any legitimate company will give you the time you need to make the decision best for you.

■ Beware of testimonials from other investors. Scam artists will frequently pay out high returns to early investors using money from later investors, otherwise known as a Ponzi scheme. Fraud aimed at groups of people with similar interests is called affinity fraud.

■ Confirm registration and licensing. Before investing any money, make sure the investment advisor or representative is registered and licensed. You can reference the Central Registration Depository through the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission or the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority.

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For each of the three words below, change one letter to a T and then rearrange the letters to spell a condition or disease.

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RESOAK

SLICKER

Yesterday's Answer: 1-4; 2-7; 3-6; 5-8

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BUILDING PERMITS

Building Permits February 6 to February 10

4523 N. Midland Drive	Commercial Addition	$80,000
1114 E. Dormard Ave	New Residence	$134,160
1205 Country Club Drive	Residential Addition	$50,000
108 Cottonwood Ave	New Residence	$121,000
5913 Llano Court	New Residence	$173,120
4309 Parkdale Drive	Residential Addition	$13,500
5809 Pedernales Drive	New Residence	$147,360
1900 McDonald Street	Residential Addition	$92,800
5917 Pedernales Drive	New Residence	$163,440
2419 E. California Ave	New Residencd	$95,120
1510 Belmont Street	MH-Single Lot	$50,000
2705 Parton Way	New Residence	$216,160
2101 W. Wadley Ave	Sign	$1,500
4100 W. Wall Street	Sign	$3,600
2300 W. Wadley Ave	Sign	$3,850
804 N. Dallas Street	New Residence	$123,200
5219 Canadian Avenue	New Residence	$188,480
5511 Carmel Court	New Residence	$170,080
5312 Wimberly Spring	New Residence	$182,160
4400 N. Midkiff Road	Sign	$5,400
1601 N. Midkiff Road	Sign	$15,000
703 E. Front Street	Sign	$2,000
4511 N. Midkiff Road	Sign	$3,000
1809 W. Illinois Avenue	Commercial Alteration	$2,500
1913 Heritage Boulevard	Commercial Alteration	$5,000
1110 Porterfield Road	New Residence	$128,640
1112 Porterfield Road	New Residence	$129,360
601 Sprayberry Drive	Residential Alteration	$4,000
1608 McClintic Street	Residence-Detached	$6,000
2610 Lockheed Drive	Residence-Detached	$9,600
418 E. Oak Avenue	New Residence	$112,000
602 Nolan Ryan Drive	Residence-Detached	$7,250
405 Pinewood Court	New Residence	$253,600
2112 Ironwood Drive	New Residence	$436,720
2121 Blackwood Drive	New Residence	$309,840
606 DiMaggio Court	New Residence	$206,000
802 DiMaggio Court	New Residence	$131,000
902 W. Montgomery Ave	MH-Single Lot	$25,000
710 DiMaggio Court	New Residence	$141,000
800 DiMaggio Court	New Residence	$129,000
804 DiMaggio Court	New Residence	$122,000
4803 Yearwood Drive	New Residence	$162,720
4300 W. Wall Street	Sign	$85,000
200 W. Loop 250 North	Sign	$2,000
1804 Belmont Street	Residential Alteration	$2,300
1705 S. Loraine Street	MH-Single Lot	$17,000
1208 Century Drive	Residential Addition	$66,560
1605 English Drive	Residential Alteration	$5,000
2305 Holloway Avenue	Residential Addition	$2,000

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KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	In Touch Ministries		GMA/Sunday		The Truth	House	Paid	This Week		B. Church	Paid	Count
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Paid	Paid	Paid	Search	CBS Sunday Morning			FaceNat.	First Baptist Church		First Baptist Odessa	
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Sexier	Paid	Tomorr.	In Touch Ministries	Key David	Paid	Paid	Wild Ltd.	Hollywd.	Live Life	On Spot	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	C'nsumer	Believers	Cornerstone		Fox News Sunday		Odessa	FaithAve	F.Hardin	C'nsumer	C'nsumer	WideLife
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	(5:00) Light of south		Dr. Will	Morris..	In Touch Ministries		Sal.	Schwarz	Heart of the City		Nueva Vida	
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	W.Texas	Secrets	Paid	Paid	Sunday Today (N)		Meet the Press		Edition	Garrett	NHL Hockey (L)	
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	C.George	Cat/ Hat	SuperWI	DinoTrain	Sid	Speaks	Arthur	WordGirl	Company	Wild K.	Blue	Travel
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Concha	Concha	Vecinos	Agenda	Muchachitas		Al punto		Republica deportiva			
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		JTV	JTV Direct	Homes	Homeown.	Faith	Hazelton	O.House	HomeT.	Methodis	CARS.TV	Latino	B.ball
FLIX	340	65		165		Movie	★★ Terminal Velocity Charlie Sheen.				(:25)	★★ Rocket Man			★★★ The Doctor ('91, Dra) William Hurt.		
HBO	300	68	14	14		(6:20)	★★★ Who Am I?		Watch (N)	★★ Sister Act				F. Roach	★★ Little Fockers Ben Stiller.		Bill Maher
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	Movie	(:35) Koran by Heart					★ Rio ('11, Ani) Jesse Eisenberg.		(:35) Too Big to Fail		(:20) The Loving Story	
HBO5	304	70	16	102		Movie	(:40) ★★ Company Business					Crush (N:40)	★ When a Man Loves a Wom...		(:50) ★★ The American		
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	Movie	(:40) ★ How to Train Your Drag...			(:20) ★★★ For Love of the Game Kevin Costner.					(:40) ★★ Sucker Punch		
MAX2	382	72	18	122		★★★★ Terms of Endearment				(:15) ★★ Days of Thunder Tom Cruise.				(:05) ★ Terminator 2: Judgement Day			
PLEX			96			(:10) Industry Session		(:15) ★★★ Eight Men Out John Cusack.				(:20) ★★★ Dragonheart Dennis Quaid.		(:05) ★ The World ...			
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	Movie	(:40) ★ Bratz ('07, Com) Logan Browning.					Boxing Showtime Championship			(:15) ★★ Speak.		
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	Movie	★ Air Bud 2: Golden Receiver			★ Junior Detective Agency		★ The Times of Harvey Milk			★ Harlem Nights		
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Most Wanted		Most Wanted		Most Wanted		The Sopranos		The Sopranos		Billy	Billy
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	Mad Men		★★★ At Close Range ('86, Dra) Sean Penn.							★★ Eraser ('96, Act) Arnold Schwarzenegger.		
BET	58	26		40		(5:00) BET Inspiration				Bobby Jones Gospel		Chris		★★ Preacher's Kid ('10, Dra) Letoya Luckett.			
BRAVO	65	63		41		Chef "Culinary Games"	It's a Brad World			It's a Brad World		It's a Brad World		Brad "Ciao, Brad!"		Bethenny Ever After	
CNBC	46	45		39	72	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	CNNSun	Sanjay	CNN Sunday		State of the Union		Fareed Zakaria GPS		Reliable Sources		State of the Union	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Rush "Slippery Slope"		Bering Sea Gold		Rush "Drill or Die"		Rush "Lovestruck"	
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	Mickey's Advent...		Jake and the Never L		Phineas	Phineas	GoodLuck	Shake Up	A.N.T.	Austin	Wizards	
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	SportsCenter		SportsCenter		Out. Lines	Report (N)	SportsCenter					
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	SEC Storied		SEC Storied		SportsCenter		OLines	Report	NHRA Drag Race (L)		NASCAR Now (L)	
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	Home Videos		★★ Casper ('95, Com) Christina Ricci.				★★ Legally Blonde Reese Witherspoon.				★ Mr. Magorium's...	
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	(5:00) FOX & Friends Sunday						News HQ	Housecall	America's News HQ		America's News HQ	
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Mex.Easy	5 Fix	Meals	Hungry	Week In a Day (N)		Dinners	Big Bite	Cing (N)	Chef (N)	Paula	Ma' Meal
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Champio. "Football"		Signing	Horse	OceanRace	Garage
FX	31	31	59	64	69	★★★ The Express ('08, Dra) Rob Brown, Dennis Quaid.									★★ Invincible ('06, Dra) Mark Wahlberg, Greg Kinnear.	Movie	
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	Lucy	I Love Lucy	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls				★★★ The Parent Trap ('61, Com) Maureen O'Hara, Hayley Mills.		
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	Holmes	Pro Grade	Home	Income	Property Brothers		Disaster	Disaster	Crashers	Room Cr	Love It or List It	
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Modern Marvels		Modern Marvels		The Lincoln Assassination					The Hunt for John Wilkes Booth		
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	In Touch Ministries		The Hour of Power		J.Osteen	Paid	Christine	Supernanny		Supernanny		Super
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Hardball	Business	Up With Chris Hayes				Melissa Harris-Perry				Weekends-Alex Witt	
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Barny'd	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Kung Fu	Kung Fu	T.U.F.F.	Penguins
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Auction	Auction	Auction	Auction	Xtr. 4x4	Horsep.	Trucks!	Muscle..
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Twilight	Twilight	★★★ The Invisible Justin Chatwin.				★★ Powder	
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Browns	Browns	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	★★ My Baby's Daddy			(:45) ★★ Breakin' All the Rules		
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	Movie	(:45) ★★★ Marie Antoinette ('38, Rom) Norma Shearer.							★ The Story of Louis Pasteur		★ The Life of Emil...	
TELE	20	8	10	20		Paid	Paid	Shelldon	Willa	Pearlie	Wimzie's	Paid	Paid	Paid	Camara	Enfoque	Deportivo
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	Law & Order "Punk"		LawOrder "Deceit"		Law & Order		LawOrder "Stalker"		Law & Order			
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	Nanny	The Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Hot In	Hot In	Hot In	Hot In	Makeover: Home		Makeover: Home	
USA	26	30	42	27	49	Paid Program		Paid Program		★★★ Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End ('07, Adv) Johnny Depp.						Movie	
VERSUS	38	39				Outdoors	MartinC.	HOutdoors	Outdoor	Hot Shots	RealHunt	Quest (N)	Alaska	Fishing	Hunter	Bass Pros	Bill Dance
WGN	19	18				Paid	Facts	Key David	Beyond	★★★ The Love Letter Kate Capshaw.				★★ The Family Stone			

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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
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	NBA Basketball Dallas Mavericks vs. New York Knicks (L)				NBA Basketball Orlando Magic vs. Miami Heat (L)						News	Paid
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	NCAA Basketball Big-10 Wild Card (L)				PGA Golf Northern Trust Open Site: Riviera Country Club (L)							News
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Hollywd.	★★★ Fatal Attraction ('87, Thril) Michael Douglas.					★★★ Top Gun ('86, Act) Tom Cruise.				Queens	Queens
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	NASCAR Auto Racing Daytona 500 (L)						★★ Chicken Run ('00, Ani) Mel Gibson.				C'nsumer	C'nsumer
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Laurie	Enarson	Alewine	T.Scrivner	Light of the Southwest				Bible	Super.	Calls	Denis O
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	(11:00) NHL Hockey San Jose vs Detroit (L)				NHL Hockey Boston Bruins vs. Minnesota Wild (L)						Inside Ed.	News
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Idea/Act	Contrary	Sew It All	Sewing	Knitting	F&Porter	Sewing	Crafting	L. Welk "Love Songs"		Nature	
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	MFL Fútbol Chiapas Jaguares vs. Toluca (L)				Como dice el dicho		F. Diez	Noticiero	MFL Fútbol Pachuca vs. America (L)			
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		★★ Just the Ticket ('99, Dra) Andy Garcia.				Stars on Ice		AmAthlete	Insider	Access Hollywood		Stargate Universe	
FLIX	340	65		165		(:05) ★★★★ Courtship				★★★★ Evelyn Pierce Brosnan.		(:05) ★★ A Simple Twist of Fate				(:55) The Preac...	
HBO	300	68	14	14		Bill Maher	(:45) 1stLook	★ Exporting Raymond				★★ Something Borrowed				★ Lottery Ticket Bow Wow.	
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	Loving	(:40) Luck "Pilot"		(:40) Luck			(:40) Luck		(:35) ★★★ Robin Hood ('10, Adv) Russell Crowe.			
HBO5	304	70	16	102		Movie	(:40) ★★★ American Splendor					(:25) ★ Win A Date With Tad...		(:05) ★ It's Kind of a Funny S...		Movie	
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	Movie	★★ The Saint ('97, Susp) Val Kilmer.					★ Charlie St. Cloud Zac Efron.		(:15) ★★★ Ruthless People		Movie	
MAX2	382	72	18	122		Movie	★★★ X2: X-Men United Patrick Stewart.					(:45) ★★ RoboCop Kurtwood Smith.				★★ Cradle 2 the Grave	
PLEX			96			Movie	(:40) ★★★ First Knight ('95, Act) Sean Connery.							★ Second Sight		★ Playing for Keeps	
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	Movie	(:50) ★ The Extra Man Katie Holmes.					(:40) ★ The Scenesters Sherilyn Fenn.				The Ride	
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	Movie	(:25) ★★ The Back-Up Plan					(:10) ★★ Spy Hard		(:35) ★★ Billy Bathgate Dustin Hoffman.		Movie	
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Billy	Billy	Billy	Billy	Billy	Billy	Flip This House				Flip This House	
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	★★★ Pet Sematary ('89, Hor) Dale Midkiff.						★★ Pet Semetary II Anthony Edwards.				★★★ V for Vendetta Natalie Portman.	
BET	58	26		40		★★ Love and Basketball ('00, Rom) Sanaa Lathan.						★ Video Girl ('11, Dra) Ruby Dee, LisaRaye, Meagan Good.				BET Awards	
BRAVO	65	63		41		Bethenny Ever After		The Ring Leader				Millionaire		Beverly Hills		Real Housewives	
CNBC	46	45		39	72	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	Fareed Zakaria GPS		The Next List				Your Money		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Rush "Gold at Last"		Rush "On the Gold"				Gold Rush		Gold Rush		Rush "Rock Bottom"	
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	GoodLuck	GoodLuck	Shake Up	Shake Up	Jessie	Austin	Phineas	Phineas	GoodLuck	A.N.T.	(:55) SoRandom (:20)...	
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	NCAA Basketball Syracuse vs. Rutgers (L)				PBA Bowling 2011 Scorpion Open		Fitness		Fitness	Fitness	SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	Fitness	NCAA Gymnastics LSU vs Florida			NCAA Basketball Duke vs. Maryland (L)				NCAA Basketball Purdue vs Michigan State (L)			
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	(11:00) Mr. Magori...		★★★ Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire ('05, Adv) Daniel Radcliffe.								★ Harry Potter & the Order of...	
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	(11:00) News HQ		Fox News		Justice Judge Jeanine		America's News HQ				Fox News	
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Restaurant		Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	BestAte	BestAte	Diners	Diners
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	NCAA Basketball Rice vs S. Methodist (L)				NCAA Basketball UCLA vs. USC (L)				Sports Unlimited		Game365	Pre-game
FX	31	31	59	64	69	(11:30) ★ X-Men: The Last Stand		★★ Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen Shia LaBeouf.								★★ Ghost Rider	
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	★★★ The Parent Trap ('61, Com) Maureen O'Hara, Hayley Mills.										★★★ The Parent Trap ('98, Fam) Dennis Quaid, Lindsay Lohan.	
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	My Place	My Place	Property	Property	Property	Property	HouseH	House	For Rent	For Rent	HouseH	House
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	The President's Book of Secrets				Pwn Star	Pwn Star	Pwn Star	Pwn Star	Marvels "Saws"		Modern Marvels	
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	Super	★ The Fantasia Barrino Story: Life Is Not ...					★★ Their Eyes Were Watching God				★ The Secret Life of Bees	
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	(11:00) Alex Witt		Meet the Press		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		CaughtCam "Boom!"		Caught on Camera	
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	iCarly (N)	Big Time	Victori.	iCarly	Big Time	Big Time	iCarly	iCarly	Victori.	Victori.	Sponge	Sponge
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Ink Mstr "Fresh Meat"		Ink Master		Ink Master		Ink Master		Ink Mstr "Game On"		★★ Rambo	
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	(11:00) ★★ Powder				★★ The Rocketeer ('91, Fant) Bill Campbell.						★★ Prey ('07, Adv) Bridget Moynahan.	
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Movie	★★ Code Name: The Cleaner					★★ Last Holiday Queen Latifah.				(:40) ★ Madea's Family Reunion	
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(11:00) ★ The Life of ...		★★★★ Lili Leslie Caron.				★★★★ An American in Paris				★★★★ Joan of Arc	
TELE	20	8	10	20		★ Blood Diamond (2006, Drama)						★★★★ National Treasure ('04, Act) Nicolas Cage.				Camara	Confes.
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Hoarding		Hoarding		Hoarding		Hoarding		Little People	Big	Little People	
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	LawOrder "All New"		★★ The Librarian: Quest for the Spear						★ The Librarian: Return to King Solomon...		★ The Librarian: ...	
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	★★ Miss Congeniality ('00, Com) Sandra Bullock.						★★★ Groundhog Day ('93, Com) Bill Murray.				MASH	MASH
USA	26	30	42	27	49	(11:30) ★★★ The Mummy Brendan Fraser.								SVU "Streetwise"		SVU "Damaged"	
VERSUS	38	39				FLW Outdoors		NCAA Lacrosse Sunshine Classic Georgetown vs. Jacksonville Site: EverBank Field (L)								NHL Hockey (L)	
WGN	19	18				★★ Serendipity ('01, Rom) John Cusack.				★★★ I, Robot ('04, Sci-Fi) Will Smith.				Home Videos		Christine	Christine

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KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	America's Funniest Home Videos (N)		Once Upon a Time (N)		Housewives "Get Out of My Life" (N)		Pan Am "1964" (SF) (N)		KMID News	(:35) Ugly Betty	(:35) Sports	
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	60 Minutes		The Amazing Race (SP) (N)		The Good Wife "Live From Damascus" (N)		CSI: Miami "Last Straw" (N)		CBS 7 News	(:35) The Wire	(:05) The Closer	
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Heartland "Catch and Release"		★★ The Golden Child (1986, Comedy) Charles Dance, Victor Wong, Eddie Murphy.				Meet the Browns	Meet the Browns	Troubadour, TX		True Story "American Idol: Girls Rule"	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Bob's Burgers	Cleveland Show (N)	TheSim-psons (N)	Napoleo-nDyn. (N)	Family Guy (N)	American Dad (N)	Three Wide Life	Tx.Roa-dhouse	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Consum-er Corner	Consum-er Corner
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Doorways to Wisdom		Marvin Wilson	Dr. R.Booker	Light of the Southwest					Alan Lee	Jack Van Impe	For the Heart of the City
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Dateline NBC				The Celebrity Apprentice A tragic accident leaves them men down a player. (SP) (N)				TBA	News-West 9	Cowboys Post	Red Raider
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Masterpiece Classic "Downton Abbey, Series II"				Masterpiece "Downton Abbey, Series II" The family gathers at Downton Abbey for Christmas.				Austin City "Steve Martin/ Sarah Jarosz"		Backstage Pass	
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Dale con Ganas		Parodiando				Sal y pimienta					
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Without a Trace		Cold Case		The Closer		Law & Order		30 Rock	Sunny	Aggies	Office
FLIX	340	65		165		(4:55) ★ The Preache...		★★★★ Ed Wood	Johnny Depp.			(:10) ★★ Cecil B. Demented			(:40) ★★ Dirty Deeds		
HBO	300	68	14	14		(:15) ★★ Little Fockers Ben Stiller.				Luck (N)		Down (N)	Life (P) (N)	Luck		Down	Life Short
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	Bill Maher		Game of Thrones		★ Rio ('11, Ani) Jesse Eisenberg.		1stLook		F. Roach	★★★ Bound Gina Gershon.		
HBO5	304	70	16	102		(5:50) ★★★ Runaway Jury John Cusack.				★★ The American		Making		★★★ Dead Man Walking			
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	(5:50) ★ House of th...		(:20) ★★ Due Date Zach Galifianakis.						★★★ Boogie Nights ('97, Dra) Mark Wahlberg.		(:40) Co-Ed	
MAX2	382	72	18	122		(:15) ★★ Going the Distance						★★★ Big Fish ('03, Fant) Ewan McGregor.		(:05) ★ Sexy Assassins (Adult)		Movie	
PLEX			96			(:15) ★★★ Dragonheart Dennis Quaid.						★★★ First Knight Sean Connery.			(:15) ★★★ Eight Men Out John Cusack.		
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	Shameless		Lies	Califor.	Shameless		Lies	Califor.	Shameless		Lies	Califor.
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(5:30) ★ Love's Kitch...		★ The Other Woman Natalie Portman.				★ Wake ('09, Dra) Bijou Phillips.		(:40) ★ Bitten Jason Momoa.			
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Flip This House		Flipping Boston		Flipping Boston		Flipping Boston		Flipping Boston		Flipping Boston	
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	(4:00) ★ V for Vend...		Dead "Nebraska"		Walking Dead (N)		Comic Book Men (N)		Dead "Triggerfinger"		Talking Dead	
BET	58	26		40		(5:00) BET Awards						Game	Together	BET Hollywood		BET Inspiration	
BRAVO	65	63		41		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atl. (N)		Housewives Atlanta		Watch (N)	Housewives Atlanta	Atlanta	
CNBC	46	45		39	72	Diabetes	Wall Street	Selling Cars		Bio. "Henry Ford"		FastBuck	Baghdad	Cruise Inc.		American Greed	
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	CNN Newsroom		CNN Presents		Piers Morgan		CNN Newsroom		CNN Presents		Piers Morgan	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Bering Sea Gold		Sea Gold "Suction"		Bering Sea Gold		Cruise Ship Disaster		Cruise Ship Disaster		Bering Sea Gold	
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	(5:20) Radio Rebel		Austin (N)	Shake (N)	A.N.T.	Jessie	SoRandom	A.N.T.	Austin	Shake Up	Wizards	Wizards
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	(5:00) SportsCenter		NBA Basketball Denver vs Oklahoma (L)						SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	NCAA Basketball S. Florida vs Pittsburgh (L)				NHRA Drag Racing Arizona Nationals						Poker '11 World Series	
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	(6:30) ★ Harry Potter & the Or...				★★★ Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince ('09, Adv) Daniel Radcliffe.						J.Osteen	Ed Young
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	Fox Report Weekend		Huckabee		Stossel		Geraldo at Large		Huckabee		Stossel	
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	WorstCooks		Cupcake Wars (N)		WorstCooks (N)		Iron Chef USA (N)		Chopped		WorstCooks	
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	NHL Hockey Nashville Predators vs. Dallas Stars (L)						Stars Live		Mavricks	Best of Pride Fight.	Spotlight	WPT Poker
FX	31	31	59	64	69	(6:30) ★ Ghost Rider		★★ Star Trek ('09, Sci-Fi) Zachary Quinto, Eric Bana, Chris Pine.								★★ Star Trek ('09, Sci-Fi) Chris Pine.	
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	★★ The Parent Trap ('98, Fam) Dennis Quaid, Lindsay Lohan.						Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	Holmes on Homes		Holmes on Homes		Holmes Inspection		Holmes Inspection		Property Brothers		Holmes Inspection	
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Ax Men "Hell Hole"		Ax Men		Ax Men		MetalJousting (N)		Mudcats "Hot Spots"		Ax Men	
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	(6:30) ★ The Secret ...		★★ Obsessed Beyoncé Knowles.				The Killing Game		★ Taken From Me: The Tiffany Rubin Sto...		★★ Obsessed	
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		Wife Kids	Wife Kids	G. Lopez	G. Lopez	Friends	Friends
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Sponge	Sponge	70s	70s					★★★ Walking Tall		Ink Master	
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	(6:00) ★ Rambo		★★★ Walking Tall									
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	(6:45) ★ Land of the Lost ('09, Adv) Will Ferrell.				★★★ Signs ('02, Thril) Joaquin Phoenix, Mel Gibson.						★★★ The Razor's Edge Tyrone Power.	
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	(6:05) ★ Madea's Fa...		★ Madea Goes to Jail Tyler Perry.				(:15) ★ Madea Goes to Jail ('09, Com) Tyler Perry.				Movie	
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(6:30) ★ Joan of Arc		★★★★ The Song of Bernadette ('43, Rel) Jennifer Jones.								(:30) Yo Fuera Di...	
TELE	20	8	10	20		Pa'Lante con Cristina				★ Monsters, Inc. (2001)				Hoarders	Camara	Titulares	
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Little People		Little People		Hoarding		Addiction	Addiction	Hoarding		Addiction	Addiction
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	(6:00) ★ The Librari...		★★ War of the Worlds ('05, Act) Tom Cruise.				Falling Skies				★★ War of the Worlds	
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	MASH	M*A*S*H	MASH	MASH	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens
USA	26	30	42	27	49	Law&O..SVU "Pure"		SVU "Tangled"		Law&O..SVU "Honor"		SVU "Slaves"				★★★ The Mummy Brendan Fraser.	
VERSUS	38	39				(5:00) NHL Hockey N.J./Mtl. (L)		NHL Live!		Overtime		★★★ Wildcats ('86, Com) Goldie Hawn.				★★★ Wildcats Goldie Hawn.	
WGN	19	18				30 Rock	M-Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	News	(:40) Replay	The Unit "Security"		Monk	

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From Around the World to Midland College

By Lesley Isaacs

For the average person, Midland, Texas doesn't seem like an exciting locale, but over 60 international students now call Midland, Texas, and Midland College (MC) their temporary home. Most people wouldn't think that there would be many international students attending MC. However, there are currently 24 nations being represented by the international students who are enrolled at MC with student visas.



Amadomo Saye, MC International Student Club president

Throughout the years, Africa has consistently led all regions in sending international students to MC. In fact, the current International Student Club (ISC) President, Amadomo Saye, is from Mali in West Africa.

Saye said, "When I graduated from high school, I went to the university in my country to learn languages. That's where I learned English and French, I took some classes in German, too. In 2001, which was my first year of university, I met a missionary named Bill Johnson at my church. He was from First Baptist Church, Midland and was looking for somebody to interpret for him in the mission field in my country. I served as an interpreter for him and others for 9 years. It is through being an interpreter that I met this missionary and learned about Midland College."

Amadomo Saye is studying Business Administration at MC and plans to stay for two more years to get a bachelor's degree in Organizational Management and Applied Technology.

"After getting my bachelor's degree, I plan to go home and open an electrical company to help develop my country and help other young people who went to school like me but did not get the chance to be employed. In other words, open job opportunities and help decrease the unemployment rate," said Saye.

The International Student Club was founded in 2002 by faculty members Michael Makowsky and Lynda Webb. Many of the international students are required to take a college level English as a Second Language (ESL) class, which is where Makowsky and Webb got the idea to form a club for these students. They started with a food fair and used the proceeds to pay for a field trip for the students. Now the food fair and field trip are annual events.

"We want to show them a part of West Texas they haven't seen," said Makowsky.

Saye said, "The ISC makes me feel at home, in a family, and makes me strong to see that I have other people from Africa and other countries I can hang out with. We can share our problems and help each other as international students. The most important part is that we learn from each other. I learned different cultures, traditions, backgrounds, perceptions, visions, lifestyles and beliefs that I was not aware of before I came here. Being in the club allowed me to get connected and meet many people."



Fall 2011 International Student Club Food Fair

Membership in the ISC is open to any Midland College student, staff, family member or friend who has an interest in the student life issues of international students.



From left to right: international student Victor Effendi from Indonesia, ISC faculty advisor Mike Makowsky, international student Rebecca Kyei from Ghana, ISC faculty advisor C. Kyle Kundomal and ISD faculty advisor Sondra Richards

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Making Dreams Come True

By Rebecca Bell

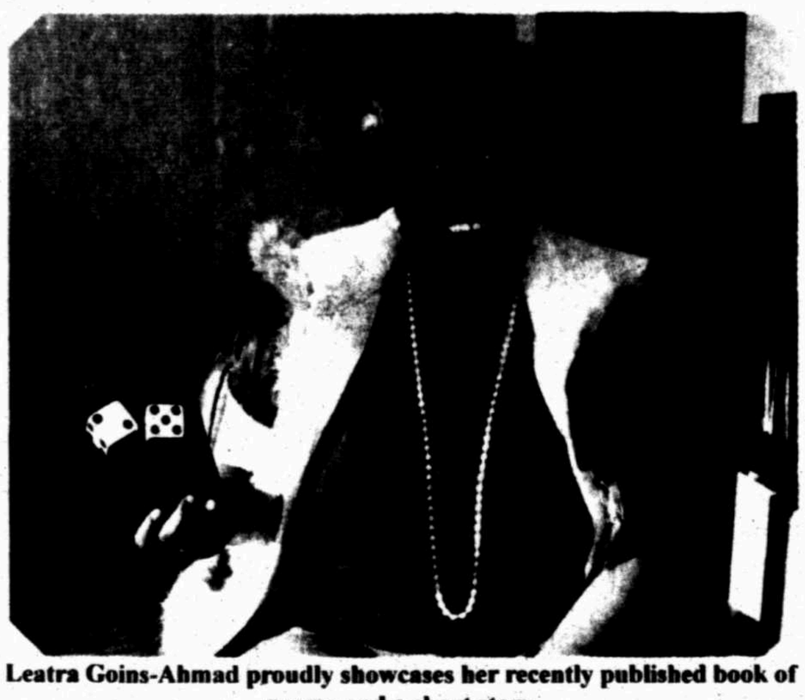
"I wanted to be a writer since I was in high school; however, it wasn't until I got to Midland College that I was able to see this dream come to fruition," states Leatra Goins-Ahmad. "I love Midland and Midland College. I'm so glad that I came here. Midland has really opened a lot of doors for me."

Thirty-one-year-old Goins-Ahmad, who is a native of St. Louis, Missouri, moved to Midland approximately four years ago when her boyfriend, Andrew Hernandez, was offered a job as a truck driver in the oil industry. Goins-Ahmad says that after graduating from McCluer Senior High School in St. Louis, she attended a couple of community colleges in the St. Louis area, but she explains that those schools didn't give her the passion to succeed like Midland College did. After high school, she also worked for a manufacturing company in the St. Louis area, but always had the desire to write.

"One of the classes I took at Midland College was creative writing with Dr. Glenda Lindsey-Hicks," says Goins-Ahmad. "Dr. Lindsey-Hicks is a wonderful instructor, and she critiqued the poems I wrote in a way that taught me how to improve as a writer. She also helped me to learn how to edit my work."

In fact, the creative writing class at Midland College helped Goins-Ahmad to enhance her writing so much, that this past fall she was able to publish her first book entitled *Flirt* which is a collection of poems and a short story. Most of the poems in the book describe romantic and family relationships from an urban perspective. The book's short story "Addicted" is also an urban tale of drug addiction and its impact on several lives. Goins-Ahmad self-published the book and has had several book signings both in Midland and Odessa. It is available at Hastings, Barnes & Noble and online at Amazon.com.

"I enjoy writing urban fiction about people of color," says Goins-Ahmad. "The books I read by other authors fall along those same lines. The subject matter for most of my poems and stories will come from ideas that I get while reading or watching television and movies."



Leatra Goins-Ahmad proudly showcases her recently published book of poems and a short story

The oldest of 12 children, Goins-Ahmad says that it is important for her to be a role model to her younger siblings. She is a first-generation-to-college student and says that she is proud to have led the way into higher education for her family. She is also proud of the fact that her family has a tradition of U. S. military service and public service. Two of her siblings are currently serving in the military, and a younger brother is getting ready to attend college and major in criminal justice.

Goins-Ahmad is now taking classes online from Grand Canyon University where she hopes to earn a baccalaureate degree in English. She is employed as a floor director and editor for KMID TV and is working on her next collection of poems and short stories. Her ultimate ambition is to get a doctorate degree and publish a novel.

She says, "It's important to have a goal and work toward it. Don't let people stop you. Stick with it, and your dreams really will come true."

"All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them."
~Walt Disney

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Oil Report

Your guide to the Permian Basin oil & gas industry

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Oil investments seen as effective inflation hedge

■ 'Student of investing' says cash flow is most important.

By Mella McEwen
Oil Editor

Triple digit crude oil prices, drilling rigs at work throughout the Permian Basin and the jobs created by those high oil prices and drilling activity are not the only reason to be in the oil and gas industry.

In fact, says Midlander Mickey Cargile, founder and managing partner, WNB Private Client Services and Cargile Investments, one doesn't have to be directly involved in the oil and gas industry to benefit from its strength.

"I've always been a proponent of using oil company stock as a hedge against inflation as opposed to something like gold or silver," he said. Oil companies not only receive cash flow from their operations, but those revenues benefit stockholders through the payment of dividends, he said.

"Cash flow is more important than collectibles sitting in my vault," Cargile stated. "It certainly has less risk."

Oil investments, he continued, can serve as a hedge against inflation because investors are actually seeking to even out the ups and downs in the purchasing value of the U.S. dollar. As the value of the dollar fluctuates, he said, so will the price of oil. As the value of the dollar declines, oil prices, which are priced in the dollar, will rise, "which is where you get the hedge against inflation."

As the economy strengthens, he added, energy demand will rise and "that will drive prices higher."

Cargile said his views have been shaped over 31 years industry experience. A native of Odessa, he is a certified financial planner with experience in financial planning, investment management and insurance and estate planning.

"Being a student of investing, I've learned cash flow is the most important thing, whether it's personal or corporate. Collectibles don't produce cash flow," he said.

"As I look at the price of gold, I don't know how to value it," he said. "The only way I can derive value is for someone to pay me more for my gold than I paid."

Anyone, he said, can purchase stock in oil companies. "Even someone with $1,000 in an IRA can buy oil stocks. Even without inflation, oil companies produce cash flow."

Another way to look at it, he said, is that oil has intrinsic value.

"If gold disappeared completely tomorrow, how would that impact your life?" he asked. "If oil disappeared completely tomorrow, how would that impact your life?"

Mella McEwen can be reached at mmcewen@mrt.com.

> "Cash flow is more important than collectibles sitting in my vault.
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> —MICKEY CARGILE

University of Tulsa offers Masters of Energy Business degree program

By Mella McEwen
Oil Editor

New college graduates are coming to Midland to start their careers, whether in engineering or the geosciences, in the Permian Basin oil fields.

The problem is the education those students received, said Tim Coburn, professor of energy and operations manager at the Collins College of Business at the University of Tulsa, focused on those disciplines, leaving an experience gap for professionals moving from entry-level to mid-level management positions.

Coburn visited Midland recently to visit with local operating companies and distribute information about a new Masters of Energy Business program the university is offering. The program follows the university's undergraduate degree in energy management begun seven years ago.

The two-year program, offered only online, is designed to give participants a range of skills beyond engineering or geology, including accounting and personnel management.

"Our goal is to target that workforce gap in experience," said Coburn, who also serves as director of the program. And because it's online, "it's particularly useful for people like in Midland where (advanced education) opportunities aren't as plentiful."

Gladney Darroh, a founder of and managing partner in Piper-Morgan Recruiting in Houston, said the program gives professionals access to greater career opportunities.

"For those who want to remain on the technical ladder, this is a good thing because it gives them a broader understanding and makes them better engineers," Darroh said. "For those who want to jump from the technical ladder to the management ladder, this enhances their opportunity to move up the food chain."

He sees the course benefiting professionals with two to 10 years experience, though really, he said, it could be helpful to just about anyone at any time.

Hiring professionals who are forward-thinking and creative will be interested in professionals who have shown their willingness "to stretch themselves in different ways outside their specific technical areas," who display a love of learning, Darroh

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Pooling and Unitization in Texas
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March 19-30, Mon-Fri, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
To register and see additional information for this class, please contact PetroSkills www.petroskills.com or call (800) 821-5933. Fee is paid directly to PetroSkills
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Unconventional Resource Assessment - Register by March 9th
Instructor: Mark McLane, Rose & Associates
March 19-22, Mon-Thu, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
$2,600; Out of State, $2,625
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SQL - Application to Oil/Gas Relational Databases
Instructor: Celia Payne
March 20, Tue, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
$195; Out of State, $220
Midland College PPDC Building, 105 W. Illinois

PETRA
Instructor: Greg Hinterlong
March 22-23, Thu-Fri, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. (Class closed - call to be put on the waiting list)
$625; Out of State, $650
Midland College PPDC Building, 105 W. Illinois

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Instructor: Larry Chapman
March 26-29, Mon-Wed, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.; Thu, 8 a.m. - Noon
$700; Out of State, $725
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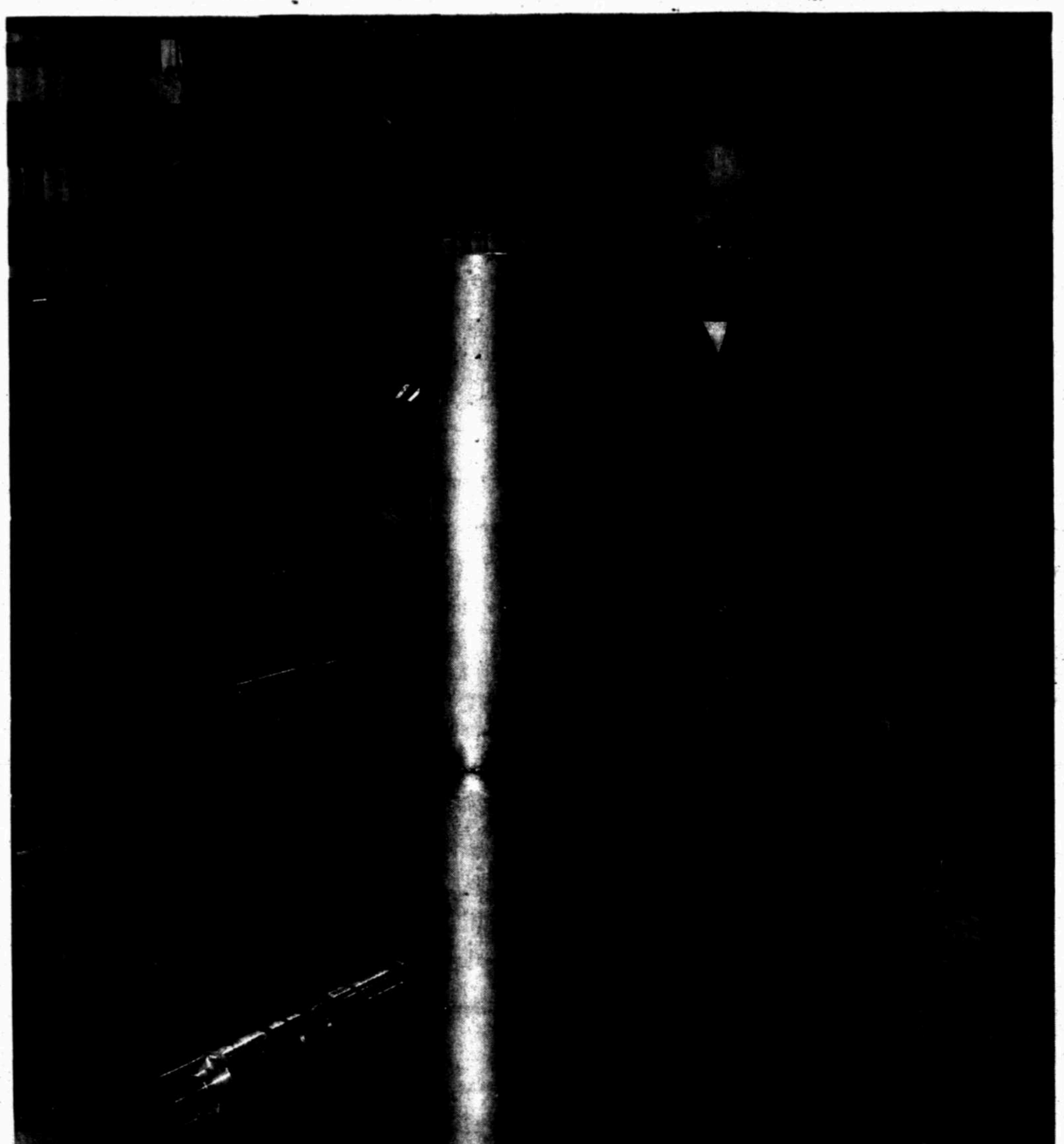
PETRA Training Class - Working with Horizontal Wells
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Environmental Study Group to meet

The Dockum Group will be the focus of the Thursday meeting of the Society of Petroleum Engineers' Environmental Study Group. The luncheon will be at the PPDC building, 105 W. Illinois, beginning at 11:30 a.m.

Consulting Geologist Dennis Powers will speak on "The Dockum Group (and Santa Rosa) Geology and Hydrology."

Cost is $20. Reservations should be made by Tuesday, February 21 and can be made by calling 683-1100.



Randy McDonald, Permian Basin manager for Rennes, France based Saltel Industries, says the company's expandable stainless steel patch quickly and economically repairs holes in a variety of pipe and tubing. This patch has been expanded at the bottom, but not at the top, accounting for its variation in diameter.

Paul Wiseman

France's Saltel Industries introduces expandable steel patch to Basin

By Paul Wiseman
Special to the Oil Report

Unwanted holes in tubing or casing create problems, whether the holes are the result of corrosion and wear or the result of incorrectly placed perforations. Repairing those holes using injected cement can be costly and time consuming.

French engineer Jean-Louis Saltel founded Saltel Industries in Rennes, France in 2004 for the purpose of developing reliable packers for a multinational corporation. Along the way he also developed an expandable stainless steel patch designed to repair those holes in tubing and casing.

After installing more than 100 patches worldwide, 70 of which have been in Canada over the last year or so, Saltel decided to open a U.S. office on Highway 191 just west of FM 1788. Randy McDonald manages that office, which opened in the summer of last year.

"Our product is needed when a well develops a casing leak, collar leak, when there is a section of corroded casing or when perforations need to be closed off," said McDonald. After the producer determines the size and location of the leak, Saltel gets into action. Using a downhole tool or a running tool — whichever the producer prefers — McDonald's crew sends to that location a patch of the proper length. Before it is inflated, the patch is slightly smaller than the pipe's inside diameter.

The outside of the patch is coated with an elastomer with a profiled sealing system. As the patch is inflated using a high pressure inflatable packer, the pressure pushes the patch against the casing. The elastomer, positioned at the top and bottom of the patch, provides a tight seal at pressures up to 15,000 pounds. As soon as the packer is removed from the hole, the patch is complete and the well is ready to resume production, assuming there are no other problems.

Patches are designed to work with casing ranging from 4.5 inches to 13-3/8 inches ID or for open hole from 4 inches to 12-1/2 inches ID. The length of the patch is limited only by the height of the workover rig, which is usually 60 feet or so, McDonald explained.

McDonald pointed out that the Saltel patches work in pipe or tubing that has become ovalized over time, giving it an advantage over patches that only work in round conditions. Because it is a relatively new procedure, McDonald said there is not a firm estimate on the expected life span of the patch, but he said, "We've never had any problem with one," adding that it should have the same life span as the pipe in which it is installed.

Although the company has done more than a hundred jobs worldwide, their first work in the U.S. and the Permian Basin will come in the next few weeks. "We have several jobs lined up in Utah over the next two to three weeks," McDonald said, "and six jobs in the Permian Basin over the next few weeks."

That lead time is required for producers to determine the location of leaks, not because of delays for Saltel. McDonald said his crew could be onsite with relatively short notice.

Right now the company has one unit in the area and two employees. McDonald expects the company to add one to two more units as business increases.

Because the product is new to this area, McDonald said Saltel engineers were exposed to some new issues, which they quickly addressed with product updates. The company spends a significant amount of money on research and development. "I've never worked for a company with this level of commitment to solutions," McDonald said. "It's nice to not have to worry about this product working."

Although the patch works in most circumstances, McDonald noted that a producer first fills out a questionnaire designed to help Saltel engineers determine whether an individual well is indeed a candidate.

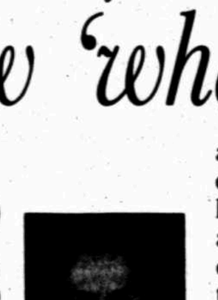
With the word starting to get out around the Basin, McDonald expects work to pick up and to require more crews. With oil prices strong and Basin production on the increase for the first time since the early 1970s, he agreed that this is a good time to introduce a new company and a new product.

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On the Web: The website for Saltel Industries is www.saltel-industries.com.

Veteran rig hand knew 'what to look at'

ARMANDO ARENIVAS



Hello. Hope your kelly is high!

Today I'm going to share another oilfield story. I'm going to call today's oilfield story, "What Time Is It?" This Ain't No Bull!

Another day out on the rig, the rain was falling and the wind was blowing. The driller was a worm and short handed a lot of the time. He had just hired two new hands; one was a young man about 18, the other an older man in his mid-50s. The young hand had no experience, but the older man was a veteran. The older man took the youngster under his wing and introduced him to the workings of the rig, showing him how things worked and what was expected of him while always reminding him of safety.

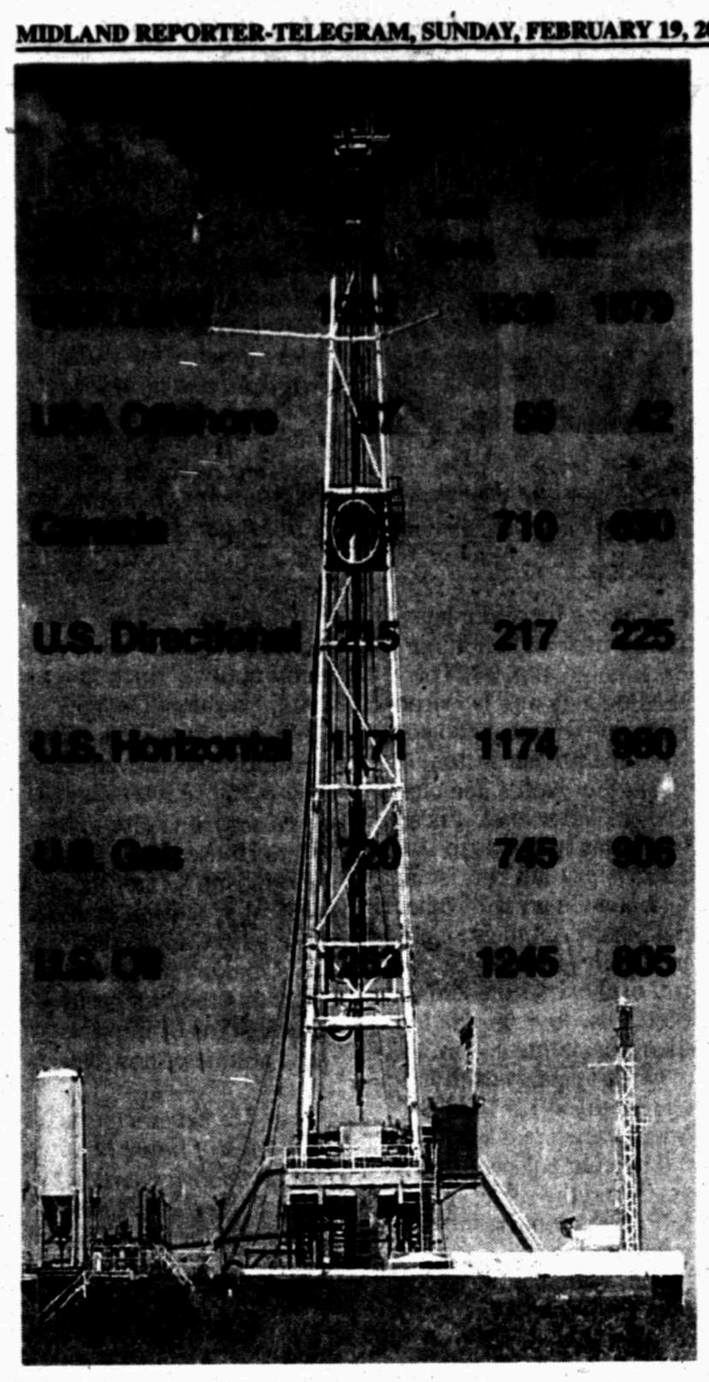
During connections, the boy asked the driller, "What time is it?" The driller said, "I have, about 3:30." The boy looked at his own watch and said, "I have 3:35." They were working evening tour, and on every other connection the boy would ask the driller for the time, and again, he would inform the driller of the time on his own watch. This went on a few times, and then the driller asked the boy why he kept asking him for the time if he had his own watch. The boy said, "To see how close our watches are." Then the driller told the boy to stop asking him what time it is. "You're wearing out my watch! If you want to know what time it is, ask the older man." On the next connection, the kid asked the older man, "What time is it?" Without hesitation, the older man took off his hard hat, held it up to the sun and told the boy what time it was; he was right on the money! The young kid was very impressed and said he had heard of people who could tell time by the sun but had never met someone who could.

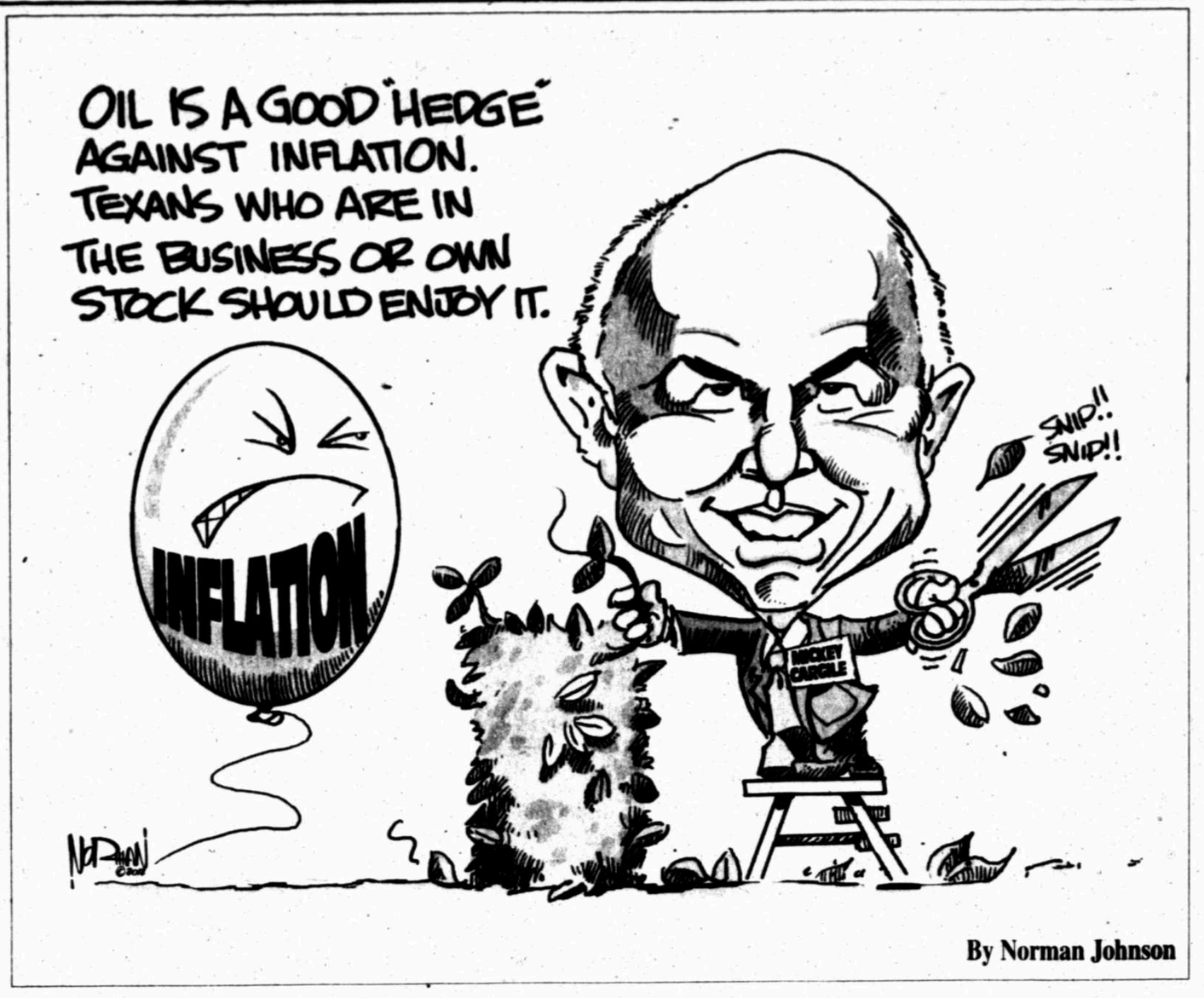
Every time someone new would come around, the kid would tell them of the older man and how he could look over his hard hat to tell the time. The boy would always want the newcomer to ask for a demonstration and the older man would take off his hard hat, hold it up, and tell them what time it was, always RIGHT ON THE MONEY!

One day while the older man was in the doghouse and the kid was downstairs washing the pumps, the tool pusher came in and asked the older man how he was doing that. The older man told the pusher, "You have to know what to look at." The pusher took the old man's hard hat outside and while holding it up to the sun, noticed a small watch glued to the inside of the hard hat and started laughing! The pusher said, "Your secret is safe with me." The pusher and the older hand had many laughs while continuing to amaze the young boy!

The Permian Basin hand of the week is Joel Dossey from Odessa. He is a Drilling Superintendent for Lariat Services. Keep up the good work Joel.

Keep it safe. Talk at you next time.





By Norman Johnson

DEGREE

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said. Hiring managers who aren't forward thinking won't understand why individuals would have interests outside their specific technical areas won't be impressed with those holding the master's of energy business degree, he said, adding that "those kind of people are dinosaurs, really."

Noting that the university has a long affiliation with the oil and gas industry, having one of the oldest petroleum engineering departments in the country, Coburn said a lot of work went into preparing the program. It was decided that it needed to be online because professionals won't want to quit good jobs to return to school. Besides, he added, companies are willing to pay young professionals to come to Midland and want to keep them here.

He described it as similar to a master's degree in business administration but energy-focused. "It's purely energy and every program is related to energy. It creates a stronger community right off the bat."

There are two courses per year — fall, spring and summer — with no thesis or special capstone required. Students are expected to make two to three trips to Tulsa — or "places where people focused on energy," Coburn said — for residency seminars or, as he put it, "face to face time."

While the program is heavily oriented towards oil and gas, he said it includes courses on alternative fuels. "We want to present a complete picture and include wind and solar," he explained. "Natural gas will be a focus, too."

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Low natural gas prices push companies to oil-rich Basin

By Paul Wiseman
Special to the Oil Report

The fact that the Permian Basin is rich in oil is pushing companies this direction as they flee low gas prices, said Ward Polzin, Managing Director, Head of A & D for Houston-based Tudor, Pickering and Holt Co. The company is one of the sponsors of the 18th annual Executive Oil Conference, to be held April 2-3 at the Midland Center. The conference theme is "Navigating the Hurdles." Polzin will speak at the conference.

"You see many companies that might have, two years ago, had 100 percent of their capital going to gas, now have 80 percent going to oil and they need more oil properties," he noted. "There are very few places in the United States, at least onshore, that are known to be great oily places — the Permian, Bakken, parts of Wyoming — there just aren't that many places to go, where you know there's plenty of oil. The Permian is at the top of that list."

Polzin sees the Basin in two parts, both of which are seeing increased activity. The "old Permian," in which he included San Andres and Clear Fork waterfloods, parts of the Central Basin Platform, are areas that are still performing well after decades of production.

"Then there's the 'new' Permian," he said, "which is generally more to the south. That would include the Wolfberry, but as you go either to the southern Midland Basin towards Irion and Crockett counties or to the southern Delaware Basin of Ward and Reeves counties and on into New Mexico, there are new things happening."



Polzin

He credited horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing with opening up shale plays, including the Wolfcamp, to the production of oil that had not been deemed reachable with older technology and at lower prices.

Several months of relative price stability have contributed to investment in both older fields and newer plays, with an expectation that those prices will remain stable. "I think the consensus in the industry, including with our company, is that $90-100 per barrel oil is the foreseeable future, for the next 4-5 years," said Polzin. New methods that made gas much easier to find, creating a glut and resultant lower prices, are not expected to create the same glut for oil. This is partly because worldwide oil consumption has continued to rise faster than new production can come online.

Tudor, Pickering and Holt has been involved in a number of asset sales in the Permian Basin, most recently OGX Resources LLC and Dallas-based Eagle Oil & Gas Co. Polzin stated that Eagle's assets were all in the Delaware Basin in Reeves County.

Concentrating solely on energy, Tudor, Pickering and Holt is a privately-held oil and gas investment bank with two major divisions. One does research on approximately 140 energy companies for investment purposes. The other, to which Polzin is attached, is involved in investment banking, helping companies with mergers and acquisitions, raising capital through IPOs or secondary stock offerings.

While this is the company's first year as a sponsor of the Executive Oil Conference it has been on Tudor, Pickering & Holt's radar for awhile. "We consider it the premier oil and gas conference for the Permian Basin," said Polzin. "To us, it is the one to go to." With so many energy-related conferences on the calendar, he noted, one must choose which ones to attend, and this one is high on their list.

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MEETINGS

SEPM hosts Canadian executive

The Permian Basin section, SEPM (Society for Sedimentary Geology) will meet Tuesday at Midland Center beginning at 11:30 a.m.

David W. Hume, Multi-Client Studies Director, Canadian Discovery Ltd. in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, will present "Facies, Environments, Diagenesis, Sequence Stratigraphy and An Oil Migration Model for the Bakken Petroleum System of the Williston Basin."

Reservations can be obtained by calling 683-1573 or e-mail at wtgs@wtgs.org.

Petroleum accountants set February meeting

The Petroleum Accountants Society of the Permian Basin will meet Tuesday at Midland Country Club.

The meeting will begin with a technical session at 11 a.m. with Barbara Slaton of Concho Resources presenting "Beginners Guide to Economic Software."

Lunch will be served at noon and the speaker will be Cory Edmondson, vice president of support services at Midland Memorial Hospital.

Texas power grid topic for NGPA

Members of the Natural Gas Producer's Association will hold their regular monthly meeting for February on Thursday, beginning at 11:45 a.m.

Guest speaker Pat Ennis, managing partner and founder of Priority Power Management, will provide a current and future look at the Texas ERCOT power grid.

There is no charge for members, $20 for guests. Reservations should be made by noon Monday, February 20 by calling 688-2068 or by email at d:nipe@gwdc.com.

WILDCATS

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Irion County

TXP, Inc.
Sugg Farmar '5' #3
Wildcat-D; H & TC RR Co.; A-314, Blk 6, Sec 5; 660 FSL 1855 FEL of lse; 660 FSL 1855 FEL of survey; 13 miles NW of Mertzon; obj: 7500; permit #731991; API #235-34959

Three Rivers Oper. Co. LLC
Wardlaw 1156 #2
Wildcat-D; GC & SF RR Co./Allen, H; A-1064, Blk 1, Sec 1156; 660 FEL 1975 FNL of lse; 1975 FNL 660 FEL of survey; 9.6 miles SE of Mertzon; obj: 7500; permit #732019; API #235-34966

Runnels County

Sha-Jam Oper. Corp.
Addy #1
Wildcat-D; CT RR Co.; A-106, Blk 63, Sec 69; 740 FWL 330 FNL of lse; 740 FWL 330 FNL of survey; 5 miles W of Winters; obj: 5000; permit #731883; API #399-35314

Spence Energy Co.
Cervenka #1
Wildcat-D; TC RR Co.; A-1139, Blk N/A, Sec 1; 474 FSL 2728 FEL of lse; 474 FSL 2728 FEL of survey; 1.7 miles SW of Rowena; obj: 3000; permit #732052; API #399-35315

Schleicher County

Daesung Energy Res., Inc.
A.M. Murphy #8
Wildcat-D; TC RR Co.; A-592, Blk LL, Sec 21; 860 FS'LY NL 1740 FE'LY EL of lse; 2180 FNL 1740 FEL of survey; 8 miles NW of Eldorado; obj: 5600; permit #731856; API #413-32810

Highmount Expl. & Prod. TX LLC
Hollenbeck A #5601
Wildcat-D; GC & SF RR Co./Sewell, P W; A-1679, Blk D, Sec 56; 625 FNL 4476 FWL of lse; 575 FNL 1835 FWL of survey; 15 miles SW of Eldorado; obj: 8300; permit #731463; API #413-32808

Texas RRCD 8

Crane County

CML Expl., LLC
EE '12' #1
Wildcat-D; PSL/Curtis, W K; A-859, Blk B23, Sec 12; 475 FEL 753 FNL of lse; 475 FEL 1875 FSL of survey; 16 miles NW of Crane; obj: 8200; permit #731306; API #103-35946

Bright & Co.
Cowden 58 #3
Wildcat-D; CCSD & RGNG RR Co./McGee, J D; A-817, Blk X, Sec 58; 560 FWL 1700 FNL of lse; 560 FWL 1700 FNL of survey; 7.6 miles W of Crane; obj: 8000; permit #731845; API #103-35950

Glasscock County

Apache Corp.
E D Books 11 #11
Wildcat-D; T & P RR Co.; A-246, Blk 34, T4S, Sec 11; 1980 FSL 799 FEL of lse; 1980 FSL 799 FEL of survey; 0.7 miles SW of Garden City; obj: 11000; permit #728370; API #173-34609

Reeves County

Thompson, J. Cleo
Perry State D #9
Wildcat-D; T & P RR Co./Newman, A H; A-5079, Blk 51, T7S, Sec 20; 660 FSL 660 FEL of lse; 660 FSL 660 FEL of survey; 12.6 miles S of Pecos; obj: 13500; permit #731571; API #389-33164

Thompson, J. Cleo
Chevron Minerals 29 #12
Wildcat-D; T & P RR Co.; A-745, Blk 51, T7S, Sec 29; 1320 FNL 660 FWL of lse; 1320 FNL 660 FWL of survey; 12.8 miles S of Pecos; obj: 8000; permit #732112; API #389-33172

Sterling County

Strand Energy, L.C.
McEntire '6' #1
Wildcat-D; SP RR Co./Mc Entire, W R; A-901, Blk 14, Sec 6; 960 FEL 5981 FSL of lse; 960 FEL 660 FSL of survey; 8 miles NW of Sterling City; obj: 9000; permit #731791; API #431-33346

Ward County

Sundown Energy LP
Hutchings Stock Assn. #3044
Wildcat-D; G & MMB &A; A-127, Blk O, Sec 9; 4722 FWL 8321 FSL of lse; 558 FEL 2239 FNL of survey; 6 miles S of Monahans; obj: 11000; permit #727382; API #475-35923

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Dawson County

Big Star Oil & Gas, LLC
Archer 16 #1
Wildcat-D; Loving CSL/Labor 16; A-411, Blk N/A, Sec 271; 467 FSL 467 FWL of lse; 467 FSL 467 FWL of survey; 15.6 miles SW of Lamesa; obj: 13000; permit #731987; API #115-33477

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Current Natural Gas Prices *Price per MMBtu*	First of the Month Price	Closing Prices 2/16/12	Same Period One Year Ago
New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX) future price:	$3.084	$2.425	$3.925
Composite Field Prices For Waha Hub:	$3.040	$2.451	$3.770
Composite Field Prices For Rocky Mountains:	$2.550	$2.472	$3.680
Composite Field Prices For Permian Basin:	$2.530	$2.464	$3.743
Composite Field Prices For San Juan Basin:	$3.080	$2.480	$3.695
Composite Field Prices For Midcontinent:	$2.555	$2.460	$3.738
Composite Field Prices For Gulf Coast:	$2.666	$2.477	$3.846

PERMIAN BASIN

TEXAS

DIST. #7C

Coke	2
Concho	0
Crockett	8
Irion	9
Kimble	0
McCulloch	0
Menard	0
Reagan	17
Runnels	1
Schleicher	6
Sutton	0
Terrell	0
Tom Green	0
Upton	33

DIST. #8

Andrews	39
Brewster	0
Crane	4
Culberson	3
Ector	22
Glasscock	34
Howard	20
Hudspeth	0
Jeff Davis	0
Loving	10
Martin	47
Midland	31
Mitchell	2
Pecos	4
Presidio	0
Reeves	39
Sterling	3
Ward	25
Winkler	3

DIST. #8A

Bailey	0
Borden	4
Cochran	0
Cottle	0
Crosby	3
Dawson	1
Dickens	0
Floyd	0
Gaines	10
Garza	1
Hale	0
Hockley	4
Kent	1
King	0
Lamb	0
Lubbock	0
Lynn	2
Motley	0
Scurry	3
Terry	2
Yoakum	3

TEXAS TOTAL 396

NEW MEXICO

Chaves	3
Eddy	45
Lea	22
Roosevelt	0

N.M. TOTAL 70

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Politics may be driving disbelief over economic recovery



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The U.S. economy is far from perfect. Economic growth has been positive, but mediocre over the past year and a half. The unemployment rate, at 8.3 percent, is still elevated, higher than it ever was from 1984 through 2008.

As we have said many times before, a better policy mix — including less government spending, less political allocation of capital, fewer regulations and better Fed policy — would have created a more robust recovery, lower unemployment and higher stock prices. When it comes to bashing government policies, from either party, we do not take a back seat to anyone.

What we can't do, because it makes no sense, is allow our dislike of current government policy to influence our view of the actual economic data. There really is a recovery underway. If it quacks like a duck…it must be a duck.

Real GDP has accelerated in each of the past three quarters, private sector jobs have expanded for 23 consecutive months, industrial production is up, durable goods orders are up, car sales are up, and profits at S&P 500 companies are at record highs.

Despite all this positive news, some analysts dig deeper and deeper into the data to find some nugget to justify doom and gloom. Lately, these analysts have focused on the labor force participation rate. They claim government is manipulating the labor force data to show a lower unemployment rate. They say unemployment is really 11 percent.

Think about this for a moment. At the bottom of the brutal 1981-82 recession, in late 1982, the unemployment rate peaked at 10.8 percent. To go along with this 10.8 percent unemployment rate, real GDP was down 2.2 percent from where it was in early 1981; manufacturing production was down 8.2 percent, the ISM Manufacturing index finished 1982 at 42.8 (a sign of steep contraction at U.S. factories), and S&P 500 earnings were down 20 percent from the start of the recession.

The economy today looks way better than that. Real GDP has grown for 10 consecutive quarters, while the Fed's measure of manufacturing output is up 15 percent. The ISM index is at 54.1 and S&P 500 earnings are up 67 percent since mid-2009.

It's important to recognize that these data are mostly from sources not controlled by the executive branch of the federal government. The figures on manufacturing production come from the Federal Reserve, which right now is pre-disposed to loosen policy and therefore has a policy interest in holding back on good news. The ISM data as well as corporate profit numbers come from the private sector.

In other words, the claim that the labor market is as bad today as it was in late 1982 is just not consistent with a wide array of other data that's out there, including figures outside the control of those who could theoretically be manipulating them for political gain.

Once again, we fully recognize this is no 1983-84 boom, when real GDP grew 6.6 percent per year for two years and the jobless rate fell 3.5 percent in only 21 months.

But, with one big exception, the economy is increasingly clicking on all cylinders. Adjusted for inflation, personal spending is up, business investment is up, and — finally — home building is growing as well.

January data from automakers show sales are up 53 percent from the bottom in early 2009. If the economy is so bad and credit is impossible to get, how is it possible for Americans to be driving so many cars and trucks off dealer lots?

And notice that the recent improvement in job creation comes several months after we hit an upward inflection point in home building, which is a labor-intensive industry.

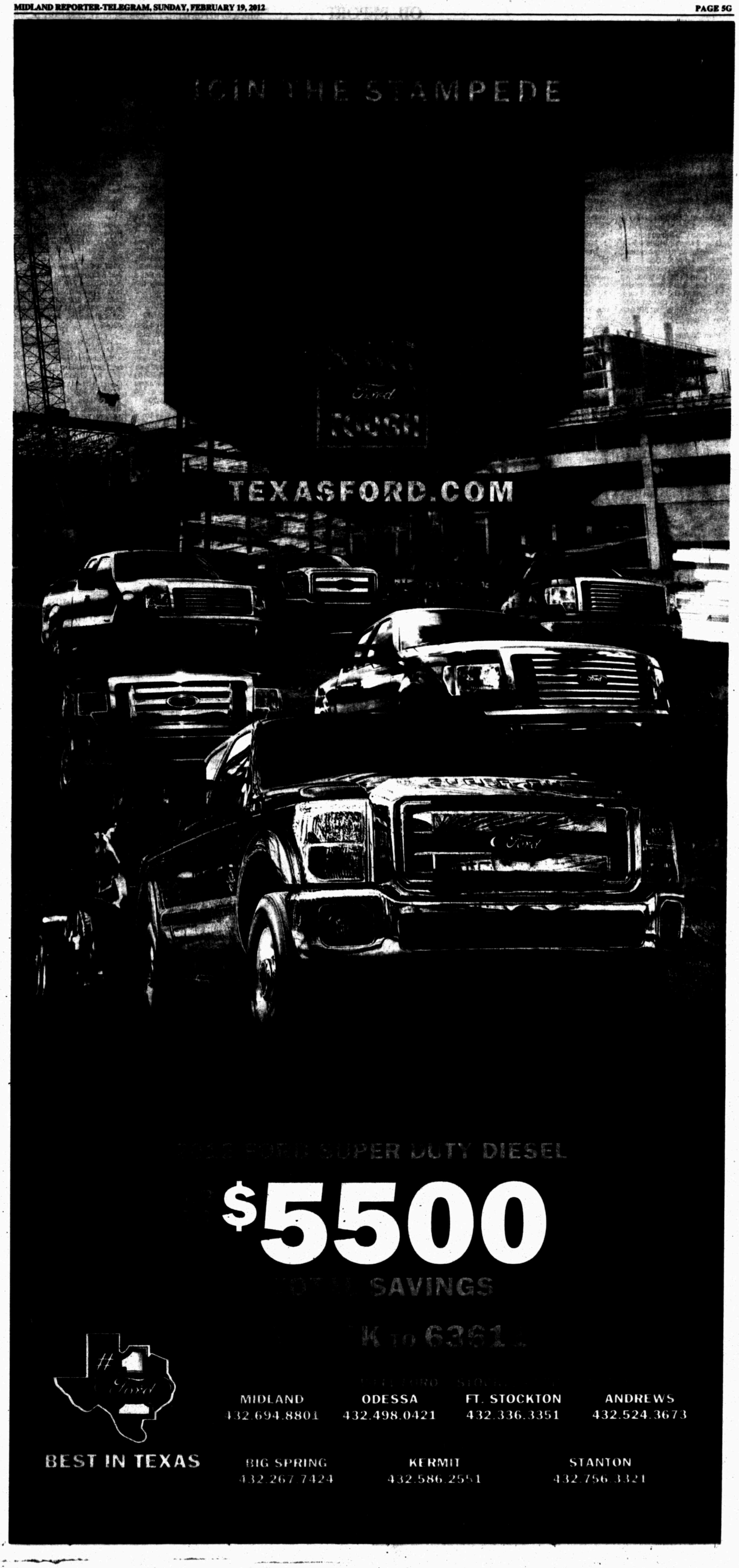
The major outlier is government, where purchases in 2011 were down the most in more than 40 years. (For GDP purposes, transfer payments are not counted as government spending.)

Ultimately, we believe most of the disbelief is driven by politics. Back in 1992, President George H.W. Bush was never given credit for a recovering economy by those who wanted to see someone else in the White House. Now, from the opposite side of the political spectrum, there are those who want to see President Obama replaced so badly that they refuse to believe signs of improvement no matter how clear.

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Coke County

Sheridan Production Company LLC
Jameson Reef Unit #2309
Jameson-Directional; 1,839 fnl, 1,112 fel, Sec 5, Abst. 644, D.H. Snyder, 15.6 nw Robert Lee; TD 6,632; Comp 10-13-11; producing from 6,247-6,462, treated with 12,300 gals. 15 percent NeFe-HCL; pump 334 BO, 876 MCF, 3,816 BW, 44 Oil Gravity; API #42-081-32006

Crockett County

Approach Operating LLC
Cinco Terry "B" #1308
Holt Ranch (Consolidated); 1,980 fnl, 1,980 fel, Sec 1, Blk CD, Abst., 2616, 9 ne Ozona; TD 6,850; Comp 9-18-11; producing from 5,683-6,346, treated with 27,757 bbls. fluid, 844,700# sand; flow 134 MCF, 4 BW on 18/64 inch choke, FTP 350 psi; API #42-105-41298

Irion County

Exco Resources Inc.
Sheen "8B " #1
Sugg Ranch (Canyon); 875 fnl, 875 fel, Sec 8, Blk 6, Abst. 1007, H&TC RR, 15 nw Mertzon; TD 7,306; Comp 11-3-11; producing from 6,760-6,906, treated with 1,000 gals. NeFeHCL, 69,937 gals. gel/foam, 99,000# sand; flow 104 BO, 400 MCF, 6 BW on 10/64 inch choke, FTP 1,120 psi, 46.6 Oil Gravity; API #42-235-34845

Exco Resources Inc.
Sugg-Jane Taylor "1" #29
Sugg Ranch (Canyon); 1,575 fnl, 2,760 fwl, Sec 1, Abst. 759, J. taylor, 22 nw Mertzon; TD 7,615; Comp 11-7-11; producing from 7,324-7,428, treated with 1,000 gals. NeFeHCL, 70,304 gals. crosslink gel, 99,000# sand; pump 45 BO, 34 MCF, 32 BW, 38 Oil Gravity; API #42-235-34809

FIML Natural Resources LLC
Rock Hollow #186G
Spraberry (Trend Area); 2,117 fnl, 1,687 fel, Sec 186, Blk 1, Abst. 994, T&P RR, 28.46 sw Mertzon; TD 8,854; Comp 11-4-11; producing from 4,835-8,463, treated with 9,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 926,856 gals. gel fluid, 1,036,252# sand; pump 138 BO, 70 MCF, 108 BW, 37.9 Oil Gravity; API #42-235-34813

FIML Natural Resources LLC
Salt House "A" #3047G
Spraberry (Trend Area); 2,334 fnl, 2,165 fel, Sec 3047, Blk 24, Abst. 215, H&TC RR, 27 nw Mertzon; TD 8,910; Comp 11-11-11; producing from 5,062-8,567, treated with 2,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 1,190,910 gals. gel fluid, 1,239,21# sand; pump 95 BO, 120 MCF, 63 BW, 37 Oil Gravity; API #42-235-34712

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Rocker B -E- #15
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,980 fsl, 467 fel, Sec 3050, Blk 24, Abst. 1185, H&TC RR, 28.3 nw Mertzon; TD 9,184; Comp 9-13-11; producing from 5,090-8,704, treated with 912,482 gals. gel, 1,197,102# sand; pump 90 BO, 82 MCF, 91 BW, 41.2 Oil Gravity; API #42-235-34695

TXP Inc.
Sugg Farmar "6" #1
Andrews A (Canyon); 660 fsl, 517 fel, Sec 6, Blk 6, Abst. 916, H&TC RR, 14 nw Mertzon; TD 7,009; Comp 11-17-11; producing from 6,678-6,763, treated with 1,000 gals. 15 percent NeFeHCL, 35,000 gals gel/foam, 61,250# sand; flow 95 BO, 250 MCF, 42 BW on 20/64 inch choke, FTP 0 psi, 42 Oil Gravity; API #42-235-34864

Menard County

LeClair Operating Co. Inc.
Clark Ranch South #22A
Celery (Cook Sand); 1,552 fwl, 2,621 fsl, Sec 3, Blk 4, Abst. 25, AB&M, 7 nw Menard; TD 1,328; Comp 4-4-11; producing from 1,319-1,321; pump 10 BO, 60 BW, 30 Oil Gravity; API #42-327-31110

Paint Rock Operating LLC
Espy "A" #5
Danny Mae (Lower Cisco "A"); 269 fel, 1,656 fnl, Sec 1469, Abst. 378, J. Herberg, 10 nw Menard; TD 2,035; Comp 11-14-11; producing from 1,878-1,883; pump 52 BO, 6 MCF, 21.6 Oil Gravity; API #$2-327-31136

Reagan County

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
University "9-31" #1H
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 1,270 fnl, 620 fel, Sec 31, Blk 9, ULS, 6.9 w Big Lake; TD 8,298 TVD; Comp 10-28-11; producing from 8,440-9,893 MD, treated with 65,623 bbls. fluid, 2,168,810# proppant; flow 104 BO, 68 MCF, 497 BW on 48/64 inch choke, FTP 100 psi, 39 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-37374

El Paso E&P Company LP
University "11-18" #1H
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 200 fnl, 1,800 fel, Sec 18, Blk 11, ULS, 0.9 sw Big Lake; TD 7,282; Comp 8-3-11; producing from 8,064-14,850 MD, fracture stimulated; pump 50 BO, 300 MCF, 250 BW, 37.1 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-37137

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
Hunt -D- #7
Spraberry (Trend Area); 467 fwl, 467 fnl, Sec 17, Blk L, Abst. 113, D&P RR, 17 nnw Big Lake; TD 10,420; Comp 8-17-11; producing from 7,925-10,315, treated with 21,551 bbls. fluid, 565,330# sand; flow 10 BO, 70 MCF, 80 BW on 10/64 inch choke, FTP 400 psi, 37.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-37184

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
Hunt -D- #8
Spraberry (Trend Area); 467 fwl, 2,436 fnl, Sec 17, Blk L, Abst. 113, D&P RR, 16.6 nnw Big Lake; TD 10,465; Comp 8-20-11; producing from 7,685-10,316, treated with 21,196 bbls. fluid, 470,100# sand; flow 15 BO, 30 MCF, 20 BW on 10/64 inch choke, FTP 600 psi, 34.6 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-37185

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
Ricker -F- #2
Spraberry (Trend Area); 2,030 fel, 2,180 fnl, Sec 38, Blk A, Abst. 124, L&SV RR, 11.7 s St. Lawrence, TD 10,144; Comp 10-28-11; producing from 7,173-9,711, treated with 19,916 bbls. fluid, 727,700# sand; pump 28 BO, 42 MCF, 155 BW, 39.6 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-37350

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
Johnny Pat Watkins "1230" #6
Spraberry (Trend Area); 467 fnl, 2,192 fel, Sec 1230, Abst. 24, GC&SF RR, 15 nw Big Lake; TD 10,597; Comp 8-8-11; producing from 7,975-10,340, treated with 20,182 bbls. fluid, 841,240# sand; flow 10 BO, 20 MCF, 40 BW on 10/64 inch choke, FTP 0 psi, 37.6 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-37186

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
Johnny Pat Watkins "1230" #9
Spraberry (Trend Area); 467 fsl, 2,205 fwl, Sec 1230, Abst. 24, GC&SF RR, 14.5 nw Big Lake; TD 10,585; Comp 8-18-11; producing from 8,053-10,441, treated with 240 bbls. 18 percent HCL, 20,148 bbls. fluid, 561,340# sand; flow 30 BO, 100 MCF, 88 BW on 10/64 inch choke, FTp 800 psi, 39.6 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-37188

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
Ricker -F2-Enron #3
Spraberry (Trend Area); 467 fwl, 1,982 fsl, Sec 38, Blk A, Abst. 124, L&SVRR, 11.9 s St. Lawrence; TD 9,958; Comp 11-5-11; producing from 7,644-9,840, treated with 21,726 bbls. fluid, 682,210# sand; pump 17 BO, 184 BW, 39.6 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-37349

Laredo Petroleum-Dallas Inc.
SRH -B- #6P
Spraberry (Trend Area); 660 fsl, 660 fel, Sec 6, Blk 1, Abst. 253, T&P RR, 18 ne Big Lake; TD 8,230; Comp 9-5-11; producing from 5,444-7,966, treated with HCL and proppant; pump 105 B O, 267 MCF, 190 BW, 41 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-37325

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
University "2-29A" #4
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,980 fnl, 467 fwl, Sec 29, Blk 2, ULS, 17.7 nw Big Lake; TD 10,387; Comp 9-14-11; producing from 6,490-10,237, treated with 1,185,846 gals. gel, 1,444,739# sand; pump 100 BO, 102 MCF, 96 BW, 43.8 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-37216

Schleicher County

Approach Operating LLC
University "54-15" #2
Holt Ranch (Consolidated); 1,980 fnl, 660 fel, Sec 15, Blk 54, ULS, 21 nw Eldorado; TD 7,750; Comp 10-23-11; producing from 4,696-7,222, treated with 33,185 bbls. fluid, 1,482# sand; flow 537 MCF, 159 BW on 24/64 inch choke, FTP 680 psi; API #42-413-32761

Sutton County

Mextex Operating Company
Fort Terrett Ranch Canyon Lime Unit #316
Fort Terrett (Canyon 2800); 4,942 fnl, 732 fel, Sec 532, Abst. 21, A. Bilo, 30 se Sonora; TD 3,067; Comp 11-15-11; producing from 2,730-2,740, treated with 3,000 gals. NeFe; pump 73 BO, 49 BW, 34 Oil Gravity; API #42-435-39366

Upton County

Callon Petroleum Operating Co.
Neal "100" #108
Spraberry (Trend Area); 756 fwl, 2,210 fsl, Sec 1, Blk BG, Abst. 178, GC&SF RR< 4.3 n Rankin; TD 10,513; Comp 11-1-11; producing from 7,552-10,354, treated with 22,341 bbls. acid/gel, 887,220# proppant; pump 11 BO, 8 MCF, 26 BW on 6/64 inch choke, 45.8 Oil Gravity; API #42-461-37472

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Caza "158" #3
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,980 fsl, 970 fwl, Sec 158, Blk E, Abst. 1291, CCSD&RGNG, 8.7 se Crane; TD 9,824; Comp 7-30-11; producing from 6,876-8,804, treated with 16,612 bbls. fluid, 271,000# proppant; pump 8 BO, 57 MCF, 39 Oil Gravity; API #42-461-37373

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
XBC Giddings Estate #2048
Spraberry (Trend Area); 2,600 fnl, 1,900 fel, League 2, Abst. 543, Throckmorton CSL, 18.8 nw Rankin; TD 10,900; Comp 8-18-11; producing from 7,651-10,690, treated with 13,500 gals. 15 percent HCL, 569,688 gals. linear, 287,424 gals. crosslink, GC&SF RR, 14.5 nw Big Lake; TD 10,585; Comp 8-18-11; producing from 8,053-10,441, treated with 240 bbls. 18 percent HCL, 20,148 bbls. fluid, 561,340# sand; flow 30 BO, 100 MCF, 88 BW on 10/64 inch choke, FTp 800 psi, 39.6 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-37188

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
University "3-2" #3
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,980 fnl, 637 fel, Sec 2, Blk 3, ULS, 7.2 ne Rankin; TD 10,340; Comp 9-13-11; producing from 6,684-10,239, treated with 15,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 855,090 gals. crosslink assist, 174,614 gals. crosslink, 1,114,491# sand; pump 40 BO, 87 MCF, 107 BW, 43.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-461-37287

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Owens #3
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,320 fel, 1,142 fsl, Sec 10, Abst. 1573, GC&SF RR, 8.7 ne Rankin; TD 10,375; Comp 9-22-11; producing from 6,908-10,288, treated with 18,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 1,002,646 gals. linear gel, 272,478 gals. crosslink, 1,439,063# sand; pump 66 BO, 57 MCF, 122 BW, 43.2 Oil Gravity; API #42-461-37453

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
XBC Giddings Estate #2057
Spraberry (Trend Area); 692 fnl, 6,730 fwl, Sec 2, Abst. 543, Throckmorton CSL, 20.7 nw Rankin; TD 10,889; Comp 8-28-11; producing from 7,594-10,830, treated with 13,500 gals. 15 percent HCL, 565,972 gals. crosslink assist, 275,746 gals. crosslink, 1,133,771# sand; pump 55 BO, 70 MCF, 165 BW, 44.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-461-36983

SM Energy Company
Katie #4432
Spraberry (Trend Area); 330 fel, 2,824 fsl, Sec 44, Blk 41, T-4-S, Abst. 1431, T&P RR, 30.7 nw Rankin; TD 10,672; Comp 10-14-11; producing from 7,918-10,250, treated with 37,078 bbls. fluid, 1,501,650# sand; pump 115 BO, 116 MCF, 447 BW, 37 Oil Gravity; API #42-461-37290

Summit Petroleum LLC
Kaleigh Dawn "A" #4215
Spraberry (Trend Area); 467 fwl, 467 fsl, Sec 42, Blk 42, T-5-S, Abst. 693, T&P RR, 23.1 nw Rankin; TD 10,469; Comp 9-10-11; producing from 7,807-10,300, treated with 32,868 bbls. fluid, 714,752# sand; flow 55 BO, 49 MCF, 181 BW on 24/64 inch choke, FTP 120 psi, 38 Oil Gravity; API #42-461-37459

Summit Petroleum LLC
Tina Marie #4214
Spraberry (Trend Area); 467 fwl, 1,980 fnl, Sec 42, Blk 41, T-5-S, Abst. 692, T&P RR, 24.3 nw Rankin; TD 10,480; Comp 9-14-11; producing from 7,723-10,230, treated with 27,847 bbls. fluid, 814,595# sand; pump 68 BO, 49 MCF, 126 BW, 38 Oil Gravity; API #42-461-37460

Summit Petroleum LLC
Terri #4409
Spraberry (Trend Area); 467 fnl, 467 fel, Sec 44, Blk 41, T-5-S, Abst. 694, T&P RR, 22.8 nw Rankin; TD 10,350; Comp 10-8-11; producing from 7,962-10,044, treated with 28,684 bbls. fluid, 745,682# sand; pump 285 BO, 267 MCF, 95 BW, 38 Oil Gravity; API #42-461-37461

Summit Petroleum LLC
Cindy #2411
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,980 fwl, 1,980 fsl, Sec 24, Blk 42, T-5-S, Abst. 1479, T&P RR, 27.3 nw Rankin; TD 10,623; Comp 8-17-11; producing from 7,779-10,470, treated with 32,824 bbls. fluid, 1,010,076# sand; pump 337 BO, 466 MCF, 251 BW, 38 Oil Gravity; API #42-461-37380

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Andrews County

Chesapeake Operating Inc.
Mabee "W" #4
Spraberry (Trend Area); 765 fwl, 467 fnl, Sec 17, Blk 39, T-3-N, Abst. 99, G&MMB&A, 18.6 se Andrews; TD 10,250; Comp 10-3-11; producing from 7,824-10,027, treated with 18,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 1,413,855# sand; pump 173 BO, 93 MCF, 213 BW, 40.8 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-43000

COG Operating LLC
M.R. Lowe "15" #8
Fullerton; 200 fwl, 1,320 fnl, Sec 15, Blk A-33, Abst. 2033, PSL, 14.7 nw Andrews; TD 7,258; Comp 10-25-11; producing from 6,234-7,149, treated with 68,375 gals. gel, 75,000# sand; pump 12 BO, 8 MCF, 84 BW, 31.6 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-43275

Energen Resources Corp.
Block 10 Fuhrman-Mascho Unit #209
Fuhrman-Mascho; 75 fsl, 1,367 fel, Sec 2, Blk 10, ULS, 11.3 sw Andrews; TD 4,875; Comp 10-27-11; producing from 4,382-4,660, treated with 6,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 136,397# sand, 50,818 gals. fluid, 924,000 SCF N2; pump 38 BO, 38 MCF, 363 BW, 34.2 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-42424

Energen Resources Corp.
Thornberry -F- #7
Fuhrman-Mascho; 2,308 fnl, 363 fwl, Sec 13, Blk A-42, Abst. 2212, PSL, 10 sw Andrews; TD 4,885; Comp 4-5-11; producing from 4,440-4,636, treated with 8,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 144,246# sand, 50,135 gals. fluid, 902,000 SCF N2; pump 8 BO, 8 MCF, 14 BW, 34.2 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-42465

Energen Resources Corp.
Thornberry -F- #6
Fuhrman-Mascho; 2,307 fsl, 2,116 fwl, Sec 13, Blk A-42, Abst. 2212, PSL, 10 sw Andrews; TD 4,880; Comp 4-30-11; producing from 4,212-4,655, treated with 12,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 67,566# sand, 28,003 gals. fluid, 532,000 SCF N2; pump 8 BO, 8 MCF, 43 BW, 34.2 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-42464

Myco Industries Inc.
Unversity "5-40" #4
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,650 fsl, 1,650 fel, Sec 40, Blk 5, ULS, 13.4 ne Andrews; TD 11,990; Comp 10-20-11; producing from 8,614-11,888, treated with 49,567 gals. acid, 1,773,492 gals. fluid, 1,698,881# sand; flow 103 BO, 112 MCF, 159 BW on 44/64 inch choke, FTP 45 psi, 41 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-42479

Parallel Petroleum LLC
Shortes #10
Harris (San Andres); 2,275 fnl, 330 fel, Sec 25, Blk A-22, Abst. 507, PSL, 12 s Seminole; TD 5,004; Comp 4-28-11; producing from 4,560-4,981, treated with 2,200 gals. 15 percent acid, 25,000 gals. PE, 73,454# sand; pump 58.7 BO, 28 MCF, 17 BW, 31.5 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-42650

SandRidge Exploration and Production LLC
Limpia "14A" #13
Fuhrman-Mascho; 600 fsl, 1,653 fwl, Sec 14, Blk A-47, Abst. 1996, PSL, 12 nw Andrews; TD 4,917; Comp 10-10-11; producing from 4,572-4,810, treated with 48 bbls. NeFeHCL, 1,949 bbls. fluid, 211,656# proppant; pump 11 BO, 1 MCF, 73 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-43277

SandRidge Exploration and Production LLC
Thornberry "4W" #18
Fuhrman-Mascho; 1,200 fnl, 1,630 fwl, Sec 4, Blk A-42, Abst. 2208, PSL, 10 sw Andrews; TD 4,965; Comp 5-1-11; producing from 4,580-4,792, treated with 48 bbls. 15 percent acid, 2,173 bbls. fluid, 201,440# proppant; pump 35 BO, 3 MCF, 41 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-42745

SandRidge Exploration and Production LLC
Munger Nix "A" LZS #78
Fuhrman-Mascho; 1,370 fel, 2,260 fnl, Sec 19, Blk A-47, Abst. 1998, PSL, 10 sw Andrews; TD 4,859; Comp 10-1-11; producing from 4,551-4,774, treated with 48 bbls. 15 percent acid, 2,003 bbls. fluid, 201,480# proppant; pump 27 BO, 10 MCF, 220 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-43222

SandRidge Exploration and Production LLC
Boyd #14
Fuhrman-Mascho; 1,150 fwl, 1,250 fsl, Sec 7, Blk A-42, Abst. 2210, PSL, 11 sw Andrews; TD 4,780; Comp 10-10-11; producing from 4,429-4,695, treated with 48 bbls. 15 percent NeFe, 2,049 bbls. fluid, 201,306# proppant; pump 56 BO, 19 MCF, 68 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-43200

SandRidge Exploration and Production LLC
University "14-16" #29C
Shafter Lake North (San Andres); 560 fnl, 1,980 fel, Sec 42, Blk 4, ULS, 11 nw Andrews; TD 4,890; Comp 9-4-11; producing from 4,474-4,784, treated with 48 bbls. 15 percent acid, 2,144 bbls. fluid, 201,274# proppant; pump 90 BO,24 MCF, 108 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-43162

SandRidge Exploration and Production LLC
Munger Nix "A" LZS #75
Fuhrman-Mascho; 1,230 fnl, 660 fel, Sec 19, Blk A-47, Abst. 1998, PSL, 10 sw Andrews; TD 4,887; Comp 9-24-11; producing from 4,560-4,750, treated with 48 bbls. 15 percent acid, 2,143 bbls. fluid, 201,953# proppant; pump 63 BO, 12 MCF, 121 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-43220

SandRidge Exploration and Production LLC
Munger Nix "A" LZS #73
Fuhrman-Mascho; 275 fnl, 600 fwl, Sec 18, Blk A-47, Abst. 1997, PSL, 10 sw Andrews; TD 4,856; Comp 9-25-11; producing from 4,579-4,779, treated with 48 bbls. 15 percent NeFeHCL, 2,072 bbls. fluid, 202,600# proppant; pump 72 BO, 41 MCF, 131 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-43098

W&T Offshore Inc.
University "7-3" #7
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,975 fsl, 1,990 fwl, Sec 3, Blk 7, ULS, 21.5 nw Lenorah; TD 11,166; Comp 8-31-11; producing from 7,240-10,969, treated with 17,929 bbls. fluid, 1,546,241# sand; pump 62.3 BO, 183 MCF, 157 BW on one-inch choke, 43 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-43089

Crane County

SandRidge Exploration and Production LLC
University"30-42" #5H
Dune-Horizontal; 2,447 fsel, 990 fnel, Sec 31, Blk 30, ULS, 4.5 nw Dune; TD 3,071 TVD; Comp 10-28-11; producing from 3,770-7,530 MD, treated with 349,109# and, 19,258 bbls. fluid; pump 73 BO, 15 MCF, 348 BW, 36 Oil Gravity; API #42-103-35860

Ector County

BC Operating Inc.
Henry #2
Goldsmith (Clearfork); 983 fsl, 2,025 fwl, Sec 31, Blk 43, T-1-N, Abst. 174, T&P RR, 2.4 ne Goldsmith; TD 7,170; Comp 10-19-11; producing from 6,092-7,048, treated with 5,147 bbls. gel, 244,000# sand; flow 159 BO, 260 MCF, 930 BW on one-inch choke, FTP 50 psi, 39 Oil Gravity; API #42-135-40724

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Millie B #1
Sallie Ann (Spraberry-Wolfcamp); 660 fnl, 660 fel, Sec 8, Blk 42, T-4-S, Abst. 1272, T&P RR, 13.6 se Odessa; TD 10,123; Comp 9-12-11; producing from 7,940-9,962, treated with 95,598 bbls. fluid, 534,325# proppant; flow 11 BO, 5 MCF, 35 BW on 20/64 inch choke, FTP 0 psi, 39 Oil Gravity; API #42-135-40624

Reliance Energy Inc.
Ratliff "A" #1804
Spraberry (Trend Area); 660 fsl, 660 fwl, Sec 18, Blk 41, T-1-S, Abst. 550, T&P RR, 10 ne Odessa; TD 11,215; Comp 5-26-11; producing from 7,406-10,932, treated with 28,500 gals. 15 percent NeHCL, 1,092,000# sand; pump 111 BO, 243 MCF, 47 BW, 44 Oil Gravity; API #42-135-40836

SandRidge Exploration and Production LLC
Douglass Parker #4310
Monahans Draw (Canyon 8388); 1,980 fel, 660 fsl, Sec 43, Blk 44, T-1-S, Abst. 291, T&P RR, 8 n Penwell; TD 9,124; Comp 11-2-11; producing from 8,503-8,914, treated with 194,000# sand, 5,544 bbls. fluid; pump 131 BO, 171 MCF, 148 BW, 36 Oil Gravity; API #42-135-41260

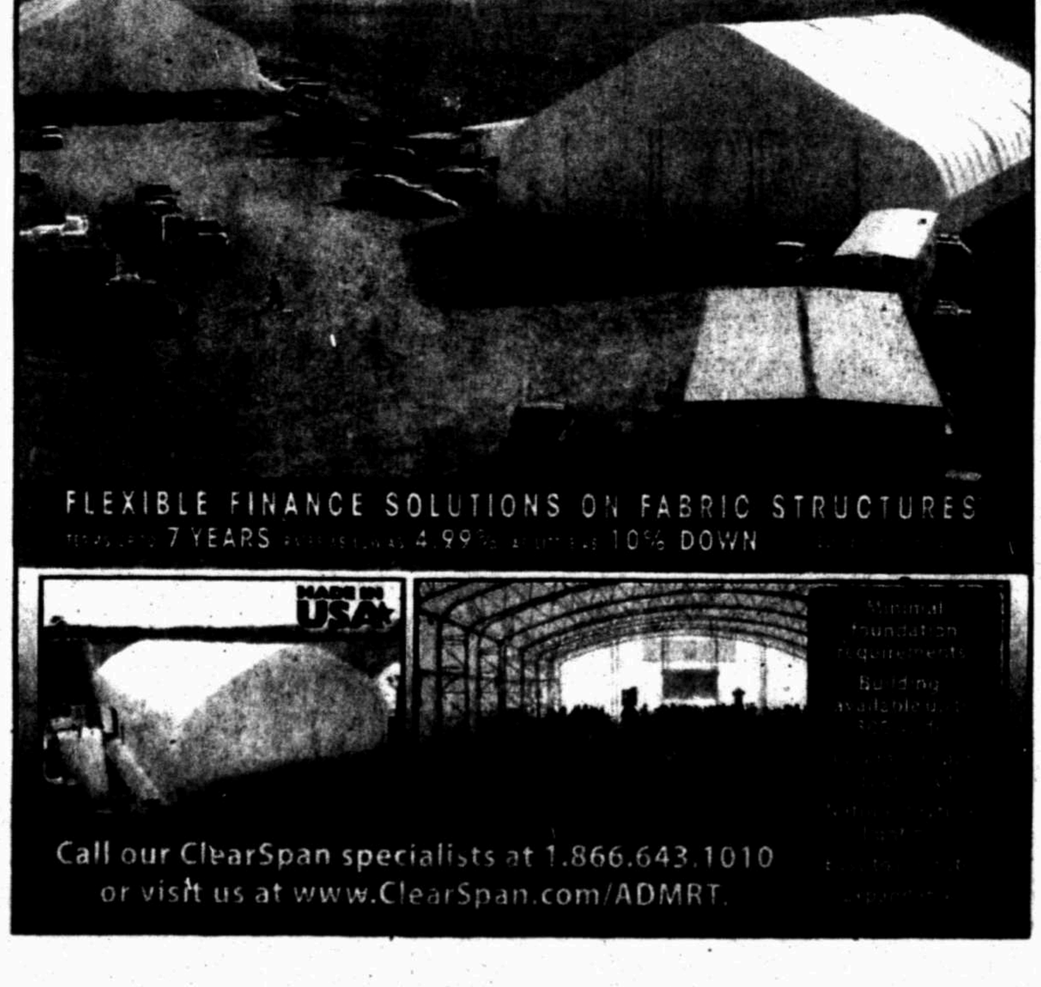
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SandRidge Exploration and Production LLC
Goldsmith Adobe Unit #2711
Goldsmith (Clearfork); 330 fnwl, 330 fnel, Sec 32, Blk 44, T-1-S, Abst. 1184, T&P RR, 9 nw Penwell; TD 6,048; Comp 11-7-11; producing from 5,524-5,810, treated with 4,177 bbls. fluid, 151,000# sand; pump 59 BO, 70 MCF, 307 BW, 36 Oil Gravity; API #42-135-41248

SandRidge Exploration and Production LLC
Vee Bar "14" #3
Goldsmith-Directional; 1,980 fnl; 2,310 fwl, Sec 14, Blk 45, T-1-S, Abst. 796, T&P RR, 18 nw Odessa; TD 4,726 MD; Comp 10-25-11; producing from 4,290-4,491, treated with 5,000 gals. 15 percent NeFe; pump 78 BO, 15 MCF, 58 BW, 36 Oil Gravity; API #42-135-41318

Glasscock County

Apache Corp.
Cook "21" #3
Spraberry (Trend Area); 850 fsl, 660 fel, Sec 21, Blk 34, T-4-S, Abst. 251, T&P RR, 3.8 sw Garden City; TD 10,787; Comp 9-16-11; producing from 7,522-10,290, treated with 1,320,326# sand, 25,011 bbls. acid/gel/slick water; flow 202 BO,265 MCF, 528 BW on 18/64 inch choke, FTP 600 psi, 37 Oil Gravity; API #42-173-33684

Apache Corp.
Glass "3" #1
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,941 fwl, 1,980 fsl, Sec 3, Blk 34, T-4-S, Abst. 242, T&P RR, 2 nw Garden City; TD 10,681; Comp 8-31-11; producing from 7,350-10,226, treated with 1,339,494# sand, 39,517 bbls. acid/gel/slick water; flow 191 BO, 145 MCF, 444 BW on 30/64 inch choke, FTP 125 psi, 37 Oil Gravity; API #42-173-34314

Apache Corp.
Adams "26" #2
Spraberry (Trend Area); 990 fsl, 660 fel, Sec 26, Blk 34, T-4-S, Abst. 747, T&P RR, 3.7 s Garden City; TD 10,510; Comp 8-3-11; producing from 7,461-10,039, treated with 1,195,143# sand, 34,929 bbls. acid/gel/slick water; flow 78 BO, 50 MCF, 195 BW on 18/64 inch choke, FTP 575 psi, 37 Oil Gravity; API #42-173-34090

Apache Corp.
Wahoo "20" #5
Spraberry (Trend Area); 660 fnl, 1,035 fel, Sec 20, Blk 34, T-4-S, ABst. 1135, T&P RR, 4.2 sw Garden City; TD 10,829; Comp 8-23-11; producing from 8,003-10,336, treated with 24,796 bbls. acid/gel/slick water, 761,618# sand; pump 55 BO, 69 MCF, 210 BW, 38 Oil Gravity; API #42-173-34155

Apache Corp.
Mack "6" #1
Spraberry (Trend Area); 659 fsl, 267 fwl, Sec 6, Blk 33, T-3-S, Abst. 706, T&P RR, 8.4 w Garden City; TD 10,500; Comp 8-25-11; producing from 7,426-10,090, treated with 34,079 bbls. acid/gel/slick water, 1,320,854# sand; pump 155 BO, 25 MCF, 69 BW, 37 Oil Gravity; API #42-173-34134

Apache Corp.
Weaver "23" #5
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,331 fnl, 1,650 fwl, Sec 23, Blk 34, T-4-S, Abst. 252, T&P RR, 2.3 sw Garden City; TD 10,550; Comp 7-15-11; producing from 7,600-10,212, treated with 31,857 bbls. acid/gel/slick water, 1,111,251# sand; flow 135 BO, 428 MCF, 460 BW on 24/64 inch choke, FTP 500 psi, 37 Oil Gravity; API #42-173-34132

Energen Resources Corp.
Cole Ranch -35- #4103
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,830 fsl, 510 fwl, Sec 41, Blk 35, T-4-S, Abst. 356, T&P RR, 12 sw Garden City; TD 10,820; Comp 11-15-11; producing from 6,524-10,421, treated with acid and fractured; pump 88 BO, 242 MCF, 242 BW, 60 Oil Gravity; API #42-173-33857

Nadel and Gussman Permian LLC
Vaqueros "26" #1
Wildcat; 467 fnl, 660 fel, Sec 26, Blk 32, T-4-S, Abst. 742, T&P RR, 6 e Garden City; TD 9,570; Comp 5-15-11; producing from 7,450-9,417, treated with 6,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 655,200 gals. Ambormax, 601,000# sand; pump 38 BO, 117 BW, 64 Oil Gravity; API #42-173-33990

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Weyman "23A" #1
Spraberry (Trend Area); 2,173 fnl, 1,980 fwl, Sec 23, Blk 36,T-3-S, Abst. 402, T&P RR, 14 nw Garden City; TD 10,451; Comp 6,895-10,240, treated with 15,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 320,539 gals. crosslink gel, 1,062,517 gals. crosslink assist gel,1,390,858# sand; pump 31 BO, 30 MCF, 560 BW, 46 Oil Gravity; API #42-173-34274

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
McDaniel "33" #4
Spraberry (Trend Area); 677 fsl, 1,731 fwl, Sec 33, Blk 35, T-4-S, Abst. 252, T&P RR, 10 nw Garden City; TD 10,345; Comp 9-29-11; producing from 6,597-10,129 MD, treated with 16,500 gals. 15 percent HCL, 815,940 gals. linear gel, 165,012 gals. crosslink assist gel, 276,854 gals. crosslink gel, 1,485,003# sand; pump 90 BO, 50 MCF, 150 BW, 41.3 Oil Gravity; API #42-173-34067

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Joost "28" #3
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,980 fnl, 660 fwl, Sec 28, Blk 35, T-2-S, Abst. 1093, T&P RR, 13.2 nw Garden City; TD 10,187; Comp 9-18-11; producing from 6,314-9,918, treated with 1,291,704 gals. gel, 1,452,522# sand; pump 41 BO, 51 MCF, 280 BW, 45 Oil Gravity; API #42-173-33919

Howard County

Finley Resources Inc.
Jessie Neal #1
Yealmoor; 1,055 fwl, 1,592 fsl, Sec 34, Blk 32, T-3-N, Abst. 1360, T&P RR, 10 w Orla; TD 7,896; Comp 7,896-7,906, treated with 500 gals. 15 percent NeFe; pump 53 BO, 57 MCF, 489 BW, 44 Oil Gravity; API #42-227-36226

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Miller "6" #1
Spraberry (Trend Area); 467 fsl, 1,980 fwl, Sec 6, Blk 34, T-1-S, Abst. 1528, T&P RR, 12.2 sw Big Spring; TD 9,975; Comp 10-11-11; producing from 6,467-9,740, treated with 16,500 gals. 15 percent HCL, 358,692 gals. crosslink gel, 1,014,412 gals. crosslink assist gel, 1,386,772# sand; pump 20 BO, 12 MCF, 321 BW, 42.8 Oil Gravity; API #42-227-36669

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Kraetz #1
Spraberry (Trend Area); 2,168 fsl, 467 fel, Sec 6, Blk 34, T-1-S, Abst. 1428, T&P RR, 12.2 sw Big Spring; TD 9,876; Comp 10-12-11; producing from 6,720-9,700, treated with 13,500 gals. 15 percent HCL, 148,800 gals. linear gel, 644,778 gals. crosslink assist, 108,807 gals. crosslink gel, 1,252,409# sand; pump 40 BO, 95 MCF, 300 BW, 43 Oil Gravity; API #42-227-36668

Martin County

Chesapeake Operating Inc.
University "7-28" #6
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,980 fnl, 660 fwl, Sec 28, Blk 7, ULS, 18 nw Lenorah; TD 11,260; Comp 10-8-11; producing from 7,952-10,968, treated with 17,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 1,655,268# sand; pump 132 BO, 134 MCF, 225 BW, 39.7 Oil Gravity; API #42-317-36954

Chesapeake Operating Inc.
University "7-26B" #6
Spraberry (Trend Area); 660 fsl, 1,980 fwl, Sec 26, Blk 7, ULS, 13.4 nw Tarzan; TD 11,160; Comp 10-21-11; producing from 8,050-10,902, treated with 23,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 1,429,796# sand; pump 72 BO, 66 MCF, 258 BW, 42.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-317-36784

Linn Operating Inc.
Davis "2" #2
Spraberry (Trend Area); 467 fnl, 467 fel, Sec 2, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 745, T&P RR, 8.3 e Lenorah; TD 10,600; Comp 9-10-11; producing from 7,810-10,335, treated with 667 bbls. 15 percent HCL, 24,849 bbls. gel water, 950,000# proppant; pump 60 BO, 46 MCF, 200 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-317-36807

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Chandler "36A" #1
Spraberry (Trend Area); 2,173 fel, 467 fnl, Sec 38, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 1170, T&P RR, 7.1 ne Stanton; TD 9,950; Comp 10-4-11; producing from 6,625-9,843, treated with 16,500 gals. 15 percent HCL, 978,192 gals. crosslink assist gel, 351,164 gals. crosslink gel, 1,510,200# sand; pump 40 BO, 286 BW, 43.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-317-36965

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Chandler "38" #1
Spraberry (Trend Area); 2,173 fnl, 660 fel, Sec 38, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 1170, T&P RR, 7.1 ne Stanton; TD 9,850; Comp 10-4-11; producing from 6,595-9,804, treated with 15,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 694,434 gals. crosslink assist gel, 346,966 gals. crosslink gel, 1,295,949# sand; pump 27 BO, 319 BW, 43.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-317-36914

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Elrod #4
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,980 fsl, 2,173 fel, Sec 46, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 633, T&P RR, 5.7 ne Stanton; TD 10,012; Comp 9-16-11; producing from 6,850-9,885, treated with 16,500 gals. 15 percent HCL, 314,254 gals. crosslink gel, 1,027,444 gals. linear gel, 1,894,528# sand; pump 40 BO, 13 MCF, 302 BW, 40.8 Oil Gravity; API #42-317-36683

Midland County

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Mabee #4
Spraberry (Trend Area); 467 fnl, 467 fwl, Sec 12, Blk 39, T-1-S, Abst. 1020, T&P RR, 5.9 nw Midland; TD 10,554; Comp 9-18-11; producing from 8,395-10,424, treated with 840,232 gals. gel, 1,092,729# sand; pump 62 BO, 71 MCF, 240 BW, 42.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-329-36674

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
O'Brien 313
Spraberry (Trend Area); 2,072 fsl, 1,861 fwl, Sec 6, Blk 36, T-3-S, Abst. 945, T&P RR, 17.2 se Midland; TD 10,314; Comp 10-26-11; producing from 7,240-10,280, treated with 12,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 213,483 gals. crosslink gel, 901,440 gals. crosslink assist gel, 1,115,898# sand; pump 110 BO, 135 MCF, 262 BW, 43 Oil Gravity; API #42-329-37374

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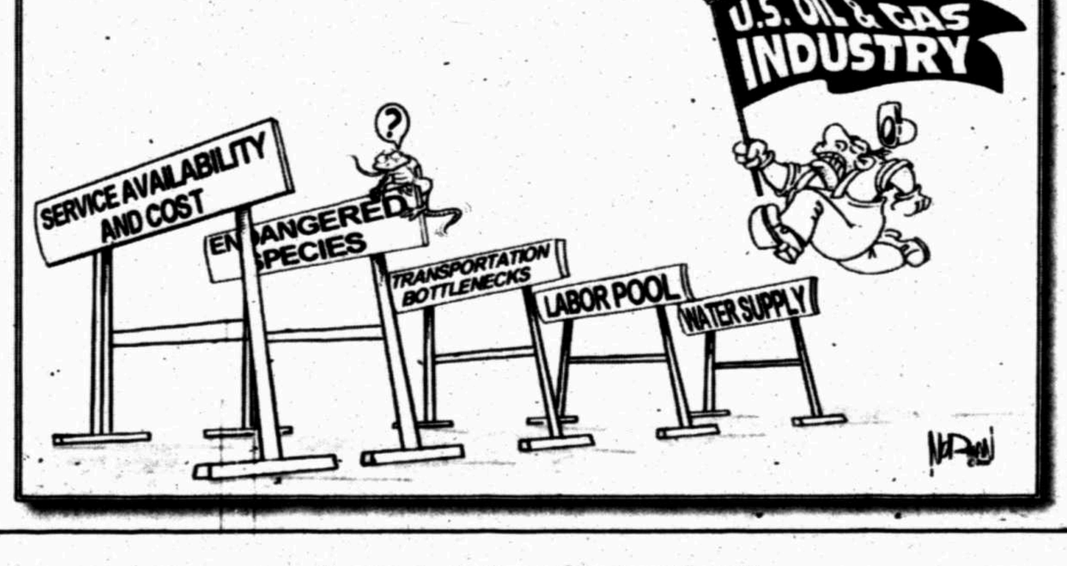
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Boaz Energy, LLC
Bronte Cambrian Unit #400
Bronte (Cambrian)-D; C & M RR Co.; A-62, Blk N/A, Sec 5; 1373 FNL 683 FEL of lse; 1347 FNL 671 FWL of survey; 1.3 miles SW of Bronte; obj: 5500; permit #731122; API #081-32013

Sheridan Prod. Co., LLC
Jameson Reef Unit #209
Jameson-D; Snyder, D H/Rosenberg, J W & W V; A-644, Blk N/A, Sec 5; 4257 FWL 5273 FSEL of lse; 2672 FEL 1936 FNL of survey; 15.8 miles NW of Robert Lee; obj: 6800; permit #732069; API #081-32016

Concho County

Guffey, WM. R.
Pfluger #1
Dare I (Hope)-D; Merkle, P; A-650, Blk 72, Sec 2028; 796 FNL 330 FWL of lse; 796 FNL 804 FWL of survey; 2 miles S of Eden; obj: 2100; permit #732090; API #095-32374

Crockett County

Devon Energy Prod. Co., L.P.
University 46-03 #1H
Lin (Wolfcamp)-D; UL; A-N/A, Blk 46, Sec 3; 753 FSL 2486 FWL of lse; 1940 FNL 2486 FWL of survey; 13.9 miles SW of Barnhart; obj: 6500; permit #731732; API #105-41388

El Paso E & P Co., L.P.
University 44-2 SWD #1
Lin (Wolfcamp)-D; UL; A-N/A, Blk 44, Sec 2; 6757 FWL 12429 FNL of lse; 1200 FWL 1910 FNL of survey; 25.3 miles NE of Ozona; obj: 7500; permit #731613; API #105-41387

EOG Res., Inc.
University 40-B #1601H
Lin (Wolfcamp)-D; University Land; A-N/A, Blk 40, Sec 21; 2070 FE (Off Lse) 350 FNL (Off Lse); 350 FNL 2070 FEL of survey; 27.3 miles N of Ozona; obj: 6500; permit #731931; API #105-41389

EOG Res., Inc.
University 38 #0606H
Lin (Wolfcamp)-D; University Land; A-N/A, Blk 38, Sec 6; 250 FSL 337 FWL of lse; 250 FSL 337 FWL of survey; 26 miles NE of Ozona; obj: 6150; permit #731955; API #105-41394

Irion County

EOG Res., Inc.
Mayer 49 #1WD
Lin (Wolfcamp)-D; WC RR Co.; A-688, Blk N/A, Sec 49; 750 FWL 3460 FSL of lse; 1876 FNL 750 FWL of survey; 2.2 miles NW of Barnhart; obj: 9800; permit #731735; API #235-34958

MTN Energy Inc.
Venado Grande #1
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; Koonco, M C/Pittman, J P; A-860, Blk N/A, Sec 4; 104.35 FSL 104.36 FWL of lse; 219 FSL 5144 FWL of survey; 11 miles E of Big Lake; obj: 10000; permit #725602; API #235-34873

Reagan County

Endeavor Energy Res., L.P.
Ricker, Rupert P. "HB" #4
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; L & SV RR Co./Earnest, H B; A-124, Blk A, Sec 38; 467 FWL 742 FNL of lse; 467 FWL 742 FNL of survey; 11.5 miles S of St. Lawrence; obj: 12000; permit #731090; API #383-37638

Apache Corp.
SRH 11 #1104
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; C & M RR Co.; A-77, Blk F, Sec 11; 467 FSL 645 FWL of lse; 467 FSL 1991 FEL of survey; 19.4 miles NW of Big Lake; obj: 10100; permit #730625; API #383-37612

Petrohawk Oper. Co.
University 12-18 #1H
Lin (Wolfcamp)-D; University Lands; A-N/A, Blk 12, Sec 18; 7267 FNL 2981 FWL of lse; 1990 FNL 2297 FEL of survey; 8.4 miles SW of Big Lake; obj: 8500; permit #731925; API #383-37639

Schleicher County

Aries Oper., LP
Camar, SW (Strawn) Unit #12
Camar, SW. (Strawn)-D; TWNG RR Co./Smith, W B; A-1685, Blk 8, Sec 28; 2032 FSL 3300 FEL of lse; 640 FNL 661 FEL of survey; 24 miles E of Eldorado; obj: 4650; permit #731609; API #413-32809

Upton County

Parsley Energy Operations, LLC
Dusek 45 #4
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Blue Danube (Devonian)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-422, Blk 39, T4S, Sec 45; 474 FSEL 2310 FNL of lse; 2310 FWL 2310 FNL of survey; 30 miles SE of Midland; obj: 13000; permit #731287; API #461-37849

COG Oper. LLC
TXL '45' #3
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Davis (Pennsylvanian)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-508, Blk 41, T5S, Sec 45; 1916 FSL 467 FWL of lse; 1916 FSL 467 FWL of survey; 22.5 miles NW of Rankin; obj: 12000; permit #731610; API #461-37854

Pioneer Nat. Res. USA, Inc.
Robbins 3 #2
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Highline Roost (Strawn)-D; EL & RR RR. Co.; A-136, Blk N/A, Sec 3; 1980 FSL 1880 FEL of lse; 1980 FSL 1880 FEL of survey; 2 miles SE of Rankin; obj: 10500; permit #732194; API #461-37857

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Andrews County

Texland Pet., L.P.
Logsdon 'C' #65
Fullerton-D; PSL/Logsdon, C W; A-1976, Blk A37, Sec 1; 1465 FNL 722 FWL of lse; 1465 FNL 722 FWL of survey; 21 miles NW of Andrews; obj: 7500; permit #730555; API #003-43835

Texland Pet., L.P.
Scarborough (San Andres) Unit #1190
Fullerton-D; PSL/Scarborough, W F; A-2129, Blk A31, Sec 11; 533 FWL 5014 FNL of lse; 286 FSL 533 FWL of survey; 23 miles NW of Andrews; obj: 7600; permit #731173; API #003-43879

Sandridge Expl. & Prod., LLC
Thornberry-LZS #23
Fuhrman-Mascho-D; PSL/Thornberry, M A; A-2209, Blk A42, Sec 5; 240 FNL 1301 FWL of lse; 240 FNL 1301 FWL of survey; 10 miles SW of Andrews; obj: 4900; permit #731782; API #003-43881

Crane County

Chevron U.S.A. Inc.
Tubb, J.B. -B-TR-A #70
Sand Hills (Judkins)-D; PSL/Tubb, J B; A-1133, Blk B27, Sec 28; 1305 FNL 2587.9 FEL of lse; 1305 FNL 2587.9 FEL of survey; 16.8 miles W of Crane; obj: 4900; permit #731786; API #103-35948

Culberson County

Petrohawk Oper. Co.
Cottonwood 52-11 #1H
Ford, West (Wolfcamp)-D; PSL/Hill, E W; A-1274, Blk 52, Sec 14; 195 FNL 1173 FEL of lse; 195 FNL 1173 FEL of survey; 20 miles SW of Orla; obj: 10000; permit #732033; API #109-32464

Ector County

Sandridge Expl. & Prod., LLC
TXL 44-43 #12
Goldsmith (Clear Fork)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-291, Blk 44, T1S, Sec 43; 990 FNL 940 FEL of lse; 990 FNL 940 FEL of survey; 16 miles W of Odessa; obj: 6100; permit #720050; API #135-41262

Henry Res. LLC
Jordan #3410
Mash (Devonian) & G&W (Wolfcamp)-D; T & P RR Co./Cochran, H N; A-1080, Blk 46, T1N, Sec 34; 1980 FWL 660 FNL of lse; 1980 FWL 660 FNL of survey; 18.4 miles NE of Kermit; obj: 9500; permit #731697; API #135-41499

RSP Permian, LLC
Parks Bell #3908
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-65, Blk 41, T1S, Sec 39; 2005.8 FNL 1980 FEL of lse; 660 FSL 1980 FEL of survey; 8.6 miles NE of Odessa; obj: 12000; permit #731709; API #135-41498

Windsor Permian LLC
Hurt #1304
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Lowe, West (Strawn)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-90, Blk 42, T1S, Sec 13; 1215 FNL 830 FWL of lse; 1215 FNL 830 FWL of survey; 7.9 miles N of Odessa; obj: 10910; permit #697442; API #135-40398

Glasscock County

Apache Corp.
Kingcrab 20 #1
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Garden City, NW (Strawn)-D; T & P RR Co./Mathews, F P; A-715, Blk 34, T3S, Sec 20; 2230 FSL 660 FEL of lse; 2230 FSL 660 FEL of survey; 6.7 miles NW of Garden City; obj: 11000; permit #731587; API #173-34724

Energen Res. Corp.
Glass 'A' #2
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Books (Strawn)-D; T & P RR Co./Westerman, R L; A-1063, Blk 33, T5S, Sec 40; 2177 FNL 2175 FWL of lse; 2177 FNL 2175 FWL of survey; 20 miles SE of Garden City; obj: 9600; permit #719928; API #173-34352

Laredo Pet., Inc.
Yellow Rose 40 #6H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; T & P RR Co./Cole, A B; A-955, Blk 34, T5S, Sec 40; 360 FNL 1478 FWL of lse; 360 FNL 1476 FWL of survey; 14 miles S of Garden City; obj: 11000; permit #730758; API #173-34694

Howard County

Crownquest Oper., LLC
Gorman 48 #1
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Cedar Flats (Miss.)-D; Bauer & Cockrell; A-592, Blk A, Sec 48; 467 FSL 536 FEL of lse; 467 FSL 536 FEL of survey; 6 miles SW of Knott; obj: 11900; permit #730145; API #227-36857

Meritage Energy Co., LLC
Connally #2822
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Moore (Miss.)-D; T & P RR Co./Walthall, G W; A-694, Blk 33, T1S, Sec 28; 1980 FNL 1980 FWL of lse; 1980 FNL 1980 FWL of survey; 0.9 miles NW of Elbow; obj: 10500; permit #731875; API #227-36872

Loving County

Anadarko Pet. Corp.
Sevengills 55-2-1 #3H
Sandbar (Bone Spring)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-116, Blk 55, T2, Sec 1; 350 FNL 1570 FWL of lse; 350 FNL 1570 FWL of survey; 14 miles NE of Mentone; obj: 16000; permit #731584; API #301-31695

RKI Expl. & Prod. LLC
CBR 4 #11
Red Bluff (Brushy Canyon)&(Lower Brushy Canyon)-D; T & P RR Co./Johnson, W D; A-1125, Blk 56, T1, Sec 4; 437 FNL 990 FWL of lse; 437 FNL 990 FWL of survey; 12.5 miles S of Orla; obj: 7500; permit #731374; API #301-31692

Propel Energy, LLC
Johnson 2 #7
Dimmitt (Delaware Cons.)-Recompletion; T & P RR Co./Johnson, W D; A-1069, Blk 53, T2, Sec 2; 660 FNL 660 FEL of lse; 660 FNL 660 FEL of survey; 14 miles NE of Mentone; obj: 6724; permit #731529; API #301-30924

Martin County

Merit Energy Co.
McKaskle, M. #12
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; T & P RR Co./Wilson, D J; A-977, Blk 35, Sec 12; 470 FNL 2570 FEL of lse; 470 FNL 2570 FEL of survey; 11.3 miles NE of Stanton; obj: 10000; permit #731592; API #317-37462

Crownquest Oper., LLC
Wolcott 253 #2
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Petty 48 (Upper Strawn)-D; Ward CSL LGE 253; A-608, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 1950 FWL 1984 FNL of lse; 5075 FSL 5000 FEL of survey; 6.9 miles W of Flower Grove; obj: 11900; permit #731756; API #317-37468

Crownquest Oper., LLC
Duke 40 #1
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Paul Page (Atoka)-D; T & P RR Co./Nichols, C; A-786, Blk 37, T1N, Sec 40; 360 FWL 406 FNL of lse; 2403 FEL 2243 FSL of survey; 8.7 miles W of Stanton; obj: 11900; permit #730314; API #317-37435

Midland County

Pioneer Nat. Res. USA, Inc.
Donald L Hutt 'Fee' #106
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Azalea (Strawn)-D; Shackelford, Mrs. S E; A-1049, Blk 38, Sec 45; 3302 FSL 488 FEL of lse; 660 FSL 1830 FEL of survey; 13.1 miles SE of Midland; obj: 11050; permit #728738; API #329-37756

COG Oper. LLC
Parks Field Unit 2 #1839
Parks (Consolidated)-D; O'Neal, C F/Collom, J P; A-873, Blk N/A, Sec 12; 1246 FNL 2006 FEL of lse; 660 FWL 1246 FNL of survey; 10.7 miles SW of Midland; obj: 12000; permit #731686; API #329-37875

RSP Permian, LLC
Sarah Ann #3805
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; T & P RR. Co./Mc Kinney, S R; A-1045, Blk 41, T1S, Sec 38; 990 FSL 660 FWL of lse; 990 FSL 660 FWL of survey; 12.3 miles SW of Midland; obj: 12000; permit #731705; API #329-37878

COG Oper. LLC
Parks Field Unit 2 #2627A
Parks (Consolidated)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-279, Blk 40, T3S, Sec 13; 660 FEL 3512 FSL of lse; 660 FEL 860 FSL of survey; 14.2 miles SW of Midland; obj: 12000; permit #731723; API #329-37880

Parsley Energy Operations, LLC
Dusek 45 #5
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Blue Danube (Devonian)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-240, Blk 39, T4S, Sec 45; 467 FNL 2310 FEL of lse; 467 FNL 2310 FEL of survey; 30 miles SE of Midland; obj: 13000; permit #731294; API #329-37870

Three Rivers Oper. Co. LLC
Hill 30 #301
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Parks, N. (Penn.)-D; T & P RR Co/Bosher, J W; A-764, Blk 39, T2S, Sec 30; 660 FWL 810 FSL of lse; 810 FSL 660 FWL of survey; 6 miles SW of Midland; obj: 11300; permit #731301; API #329-37873

Summit Pet., LLC
Abbie Laine #3004
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; T & P RR Co./Anderson, E; A-1296, Blk 40, T3S, Sec 30; 480 FNL 508 FWL of lse; 2173 FSL 2173 FEL of survey; 17.5 miles SW of Midland; obj: 11025, permit #731489; API #329-37885

Pioneer Nat. Res. USA, Inc.
Music 'A' #2
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Betty Sue Strawn-D; Anderews, J M; A-563, Blk N/A, Sec 2; 660 FNL 660 FEL of lse; 660 FNL 660 FEL of survey; 6.1 miles SE of Midland; obj: 11310; permit #729382; API #329-37780

Mitchell County

Energen Res. Corp.
Poor Farm #5
Turner-Gregory (Clear Fork)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-565, Blk 28, T1N, Sec 17; 330 FSL 330 FEL of lse; 330 FSL 330 FEL of survey; 12 miles NW of Colorado City; obj: 4000; permit #731564; API #335-35631

Energen Res. Corp.
North Westbrook Unit #2919W
Westbrook-D; T & P RR Co.; A-562, Blk 28, T1N, Sec 11; 5835 FNL 6687 FEL of lse; 500 FNL 335 FEL of survey; 10 miles NW of Colorado City; obj: 4000; permit #731440; API #335-35634

Pecos County

Rabalais, F.W. Inc.
Monroe 'A' #32W
Toborg-D; GC & SF RR Co.; A-4931, Blk 194, Sec 39; 1398 FNL 783 FWL of lse; 1398 FNL 783 FWL of survey; 8 miles NW of Iraan; obj: 500; permit #731535; API #371-38885

Reeves County

Williams, Clayton Energy, Inc.
CWEI-CHK 1-54-7 #1H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-210, Blk 54, T7S, Sec 1; 468 FNL 500 FEL of lse; 500 FEL 1849 FSL of survey; 13.2 miles SW of Pecos; obj: 10800; permit #732043; API #389-33169

Ward County

Anadarko Pet. Corp.
Wheat Trust 1-36 #3H
Two Georges (Bone Spring)-D; W & NW RR Co./Stiles, B L; A-882, Blk 1, Sec 36; 600 FSWL 1980 FSEL of lse; 600 FSWL 1980 FSEL of survey; 15 miles NE of Pecos; obj: 16000; permit #728725; API #475-35941

Devon Energy Prod. Co., L.P.
Wilson Cross 168 #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-D; H & TC RR Co./Wilson, P; A-1274, Blk 34, Sec 168; 200 FNEL 467 FSE of lse; 200 FNEL 467 FSEL of survey; 10.8 miles W of Pyote; obj: 11500; permit #731714; API #475-35984

Winkler County

Sandridge Expl. & Prod., LLC
Vest Ranch 20 #1
Arenoso (Strawn Detritus)-D; PSL/Cowden, E P; A-1405, Blk B9, Sec 20; 660 FWL 662 FNL of lse; 660 FWL 1980 FSL of survey; 18 miles SE of Kermit; obj: 9000; permit #732005; API #495-33402

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Gaines County

Energen Res. Corp.
North Robertson Unit #1891
Robertson, N. (Clear Fork 7100)-D; PSL/Eubank, C H; A-1050, Blk AX, Sec 8; 404 FSL 4834 FWL of lse; 528 FNL 2047 FEL of survey; 10.6 miles SW of Seminole; obj: 7500; permit #728554; API #165-37499

XTO Energy Inc.
Russell Clearfork Unit #481
Russell (Clearfork Consolidated)-D; CCSD & RGNG RR Co./Ross, T; A-628, Blk G, Sec 454; 2369 FNWL 6605 FNL of lse; 1300 FNL 1980 FWL of survey; 9 miles SW of Denver City; obj: 8100; permit #731658; API #165-37534

Parallel Pet. LLC
Carm-Ann San Andres Unit #1320
Carm-Ann (San Andres)-D; PSL/Crews, E R; A-426, Blk A22, Sec 21; 1710 FSL 1243 FEL of lse; 1710 FSL 1243 FEL of survey; 12 miles S of Seminole; obj: 5500; permit #732107; API #165-37538

Parallel Pet. LLC
Thompson 'B' #19
Carm-Ann (San Andres)-D; PSL/Shelton, G M; A-2179, Blk A22, Sec 21; 1690 FNL 293 FWL of lse; 1690 FNL 1615 FWL of survey; 12 miles S of Seminole; obj: 5500; permit #715477; API #165-37397

Hockley County

Canan Mowrey Oper., LLC
Spade B #1R
Smyer & Hamilton (Clearfork)-D; Howard County School Land; A-13, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 885 FNL 2317 FEL of lse; 2975 FNL 6005 FEL of survey; 2.2 miles SW of Smyer; obj: 12000; permit #731646; API #219-37231

Walsh Pet., Inc.
Glimp Unit #12R
Slaughter-Re-Enter; PSL/Frazier, L; A-274, Blk X, Sec 8; 1250 FSL 1741 FEL of lse; 1250 FSL 1741 FEL of survey; 4.4 miles SW of Sundown; obj: 5600; permit #690497; API #219-32941

Rocker A Oper. Co.
Young-Pace A #204
Leeper (Glorieta)-Recompletion; Baylor CSL/League 33/Labor 19; A-5, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 660 FNL 665 FEL of lse; 660 FNL 665 FEL of survey; 12 miles S of Levelland; obj: 6610; permit #731676; API #219-31402

King County

Kinder Morgan Prod. Co. LLC
Katz (Strawn) Unit #112
Katz (Strawn)-D; Boren, E; A-957, Blk N/A, Sec 51; 1345 FNWL 4050 FEL of lse; 3117 FSL 19692 FEL of survey; 23.3 miles NE of Aspermont; obj: 6500; permit #731494; API #269-32831

Cholla Pet., Inc.
Pitchfork North #1
Pitchfork (Tannehill)-D; SFIW Co.; A-281, Blk N/A, Sec 1; 4165 FEL 3276 FSL of lse; 500 FNL 421 FEL of survey; 5 miles NW of Guthrie; obj: 4999; permit #732143; API #269-32832

Lubbock County

Texon Oil Co., Inc.
Lindsey #3
Smyer, SE. (Clear Fork)-D; ACH & B; A-293, Blk P, Sec 47; 467 FWL 1667 FNL of lse; 1254 FEL 1667 FNL of survey; 12 miles NW of Lubbock; obj: 5900; permit #731863; API #303-31566

Lynn County

Raw Oil & Gas, Inc.
Zero #1
Mound Lake, E (Fusselman)-D; Forrester, L L; A-893, Blk E Sec N/A; 1021 FWL 978 FNL of lse; 1021 FWL 1660 FSL of survey; 17 miles NW of Tahoka; obj: 11500; permit #731509; API #305-30520

Scurry County

Unitex Oil & Gas, LLC
Ms. Ruth #1
Revilo (Clear Fork)-D; H & TC RR Co./Eastman, G H; A-1971, Blk 97, Sec 301; 350 FSL 990 FEL of lse; 2279 FNL 990 FEL of survey; 10 miles W of Snyder; obj: 3800; permit #732524; API #415-34765

Terry County

Merit Energy Co.
Muldrow Unit #6H
Prentice, NW. (San Andres)-Recompletion; C & M RR. Co./Mc Donald, M C; A-1179, Blk D-14, Sec 26; 1991 FWL 2199 FSL of lse; 1991 FWL 2199 FSL of survey; 16.3 miles NW of Brownfield; obj: 5368; permit #731265; API #445-31072

Walsh Pet., Inc
Glimp Unit #14R
Slaughter-Re-Enter; PSL/Frazier, L; A-459, Blk X, Sec 8; 440 FSL 1770 FWL of lse; 440 FSL 1770 FWL of survey; 2.5 miles S of Sundown; obj: 5600; permit #731880; API #445-30961

Yoakum County

Apache Corp.
Roberts Unit #3768W
Wasson-D; J.H. Gibson Survey; A-N/A, Blk D, Sec 798; 810 FSL 4102 FEL of lse; 810 FSL 1200 FWL of survey; 4.8 miles NW of Denver City; obj: 5500; permit #731367; API #501-35909

Apache Corp.
Roberts Unit #3769W
Wasson-D; Gibson, J H/Lynn, J H; A-1816, Blk D, Sec 798; 730 FSL 2640 FEL of lse; 730 FSL 2640 FEL of survey; 4.5 miles NW of Denver City; obj: 5500; permit #731380; API #501-35910

OXY USA WTP LP
Willard Unit #37F
Wasson-D; Gibson, J H/Roberts, M; A-1702, Blk D, Sec 802; 4408 FEL 956 FSL of lse; 1686 FNL 877 FWL of survey; 3.4 miles N of Denver City; obj: 5800; permit #727546; API #501-35895

OXY USA WTP LP
Willard Unit #34B
Wasson-D; Gibson, J H; A-16, Blk D, Sec 801; 1327 FNL 1965 FWL of lse; 1208 FNL 1965 FWL of survey; 3.4 miles N of Denver City; obj: 5900; permit #724775; API #501-35865

Walsh Pet., Inc.
Boyd 'B' #2
Brahaney-Re-Enter; Gibson, J H; A-262, Blk D, Sec 517; 654 FWL 673 FSL of lse; 654 FWL 673 FSL of survey; 7.8 miles SW of Plains; obj: 5300; permit #731882; API #501-01526

Merit Energy Co.
Wayne #1
Platang (San Andres)-Recompletion; Gibson, J H/Cleveland, G; A-513, Blk D, Sec 665; 660 FNL 2100 FWL of lse; 1980 FNL 2100 FWL of survey; 11 miles SW of Plains; obj: 9050; permit #732000; API #501-34355

New Mexico

Eddy County

Apache Corp.
N B Tween State #26
Artesia; T17S, R28E, Sec 25; 1650 FSL 2100 FWL; 9 miles SW of Loco Hills; Rot 5700 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-39744

COG Oper. LLC
Gissler Fed #24
Mar Loco; T17S, R30E, Sec 5; 330 FNL 2310 FWL; 3 miles N of Loco Hills; Rot 5900 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-39757

Apache Corp.
N B Tween State #27
Artesia; T17S, R28E, Sec 25; 2310 FSL 190 FWL; 9 miles SW of Loco Hills; Rot 5700 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-39745

COG Oper. LLC
Burch Keely Unit #554
GB-Jackson; T17S, R30E, Sec 18; 260 FNL 1108 FEL; 2 miles NW of Loco Hills; Rot 4804 SR/Qu/GB/SA; API #30-015-39755

Apache Corp.
N B Tween State #28
Artesia; T17S, R28E, Sec 25; 330 FSL 2310 FWL; 9 miles SW of Loco Hills; Rot 5700 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-39746

COG Oper. LLC
Burch Keely Unit #717
GB-Jackson; T17S, R30E, Sec 30; 1270 FNL 1390 FWL; 2 miles SW of Loco Hills; Rot 4800 SR/Qu/GB/SA; API #30-015-39756

COG Oper. LLC
Dogwood Fed #3
NE Red Lake; T17S, R27E, Sec 25; 1650 FNL 1410 FWL; 10 miles SE of Artesia; Rot 4762 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-39763

Nadel & Gussman Heyco LLC
Taylor Deep 12 Fed #9
Tamano; T18S, R31E, Sec 12; 2540 FNL 660 FEL; 7 miles SW of Maljamar; Rot 9375 Bone Spring; API #30-015-39764

COG Oper. LLC
Redbud Fed #3
NE Red Lake; T17S, R27E, Sec 25; 715 FNL 1633 FWL; 10 miles SE of Artesia; Rot 4760 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-39759

Nearburg Prod. Co.
Huber Fed #6
North Seven Rivers; T20S, R25E, Sec 3; 180 FSL 330 FWL; 6 miles SW of Lakewood; Rot 7243 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-39765

COG Oper. LLC
Redbud Fed #4
NE Red Lake; T17S, R27E, Sec 25; 1012 FNL 2268 FWL; 10 miles SE of Artesia; Rot 4700 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-39762

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Derringer 18 Fed #2
Russell; T20S, R29E, Sec 18; 2150 FNL 330 FWL; 11.5 miles NE of Carlsbad; Rot 11909 Bone Spring; API #30-015-39758

Lime Rock Res II-A, LP
Eagle 34 P Fed #59
NE Red Lake; T17S, R27E, Sec 34; 900 FSL 900 FEL; 8 miles SE of Artesia; Rot 4500 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-39767

BOPCO, LP
James Ranch Unit #138
SE Quahada; T22S, R30E, Sec 25; 2365 FSL 1980 FWL; 13 miles SW of Halfway; Rot 19531 Delaware; API #30-015-39765

LRE Oper. LLC
Arco State #1
Empire; T17S, R28E, Sec 24; 1650 FSL 530 FWL; 8 miles W of Loco Hills; Rot 5377 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-39635

LRE Oper. LLC
Marathon 25 State #31
Red Lake; T17S, R28E, Sec 25; 990 FNL 2310 FWL; 8.5 miles SW of Loco Hills; Rot 3600 Qu/GB/SA; API #30-015-38509

COG Oper. LLC
Stonewall 9 Fee #2
Atoka; T19S, R26E, Sec 9; 150 FNL 1700 FWL; 3 miles NW of Lakewood; Rot 7416 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-39778

COG Oper. LLC
State S-19 #36
Empire; T17S, R29E, Sec 19; 1123 FSL 676 FWL; 8 miles W of Loco Hills; Rot 5550 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-39775

COG Oper. LLC
Stonewall 9 Fee #4
Atoka; T19S, R26E, Sec 9; 150 FNL 1040 FEL; 3 miles NW of Lakewood; Rot 7431 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-39779

COG Oper. LLC
Continental A State #22
Empire; T17S, R29E, Sec 30; 1650 FNL 660 FWL; 8 miles SW of Loco Hills; Rot 5550 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-39776

COG Oper. LLC
Palomino 12 Fee #1
Atoka; T19S, R26E, Sec 12; 150 FNL 380 FWL; 4 miles NE of Lakewood; Rot 7379 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-39780

Burnett Oil Co. Inc.
Stevens B #7
Mar Loco; T17S, R30E, Sec 13; 150 FNL 90 FWL; 3 miles NE of Loco Hills; Rot 6428 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-39777

Devon Energy Prod. Co. LP
Beryl 33 Fed #1
Parkway; T19S, R29E, Sec 33; 50 FSL 400 FWL; 15 miles NE of Carlsbad; Rot 7970 Bone Spring; API #30-015-39790

OGX Res. LLC
Cottonwood 23 Fed #1
Hay Hollow; T26S, R28E, Sec 23; 35 FNL 2310 FWL; 13 miles S of Malaga; Rot 7050 Bone Spring; API #30-015-39784

Lea County

Yates Pet. Corp.
Vince BGH #2
Jenkins; T9S, R35E, Sec 30; 1980 FNL 1650 FEL; 4 miles SW of Crossroads; Rot 12660 Devonian; API #30-025-40385

Mack Energy Corp.
Diamond Rock #3
Mid Vacuum; T18S, R35E, Sec 4; 990 FNL 1420 FEL; 3 miles SE of Buckeye; Rot 7510 Bone Spring; API #30-025-40378

Texland Pet.-Hobbs LLC
RLF Trust 25 Fed #1
East Garrett; T16S, R38E, Sec 25; 660 FNL 330 FEL; 3.5 miles NE of Knowles; Rot 12759 Drinkard; API #30-025-40380

Mack Energy Corp.
Diamond Rock #4
Mid Vacuum; T18S, R35E, Sec 4; 990 FNL 330 FEL; 3 miles SE of Buckeye; Rot 7510 Bone Spring; API #30-025-40379

Mack Energy Corp.
Brook Fed #6
West Maljamar; T17S, R32E, Sec 30; 1800 FNL 600 FEL; 4 miles SW of Maljamar; Rot 7083 Yeso; API #30-025-40387

Devon Energy Prod. Co. LP
Malachite 22 Fed #2
Tonto; T19S, R33E, Sec 22; 330 FNL 1465 FWL; 8 miles NE of Halfway; Rot 13647 Bone Spring; API #30-025-40389

Yates Pet. Corp.
Mattea BFA State #2
Sand Spring; T10S, R34E, Sec 35; 330 FSL 330 FWL; 9 miles SW of Crossroads; Rot 10500 Permo U/Penn Re-Entry of Manzano Oil Corp., Sand Springs; Old TD 3640; API #30-025-34777

Resaca Oper. Co.
Cooper Jal Unit #108
Jalmat; T24S, R37E, Sec 18; 2001 FSL 676 FWL; 5 miles N of Jal; Rot 3750 Tansill Yates Seven Rivers; Re-Entry of Texaco E&P Inc., P&A, State Unit #1, P&A, Old TD 9222; API #30-025-11142

Resaca Oper. Co.
Cooper Jal Unit #213
Jalmat; T24S, R36E, Sec 24; 1974 FSL 662 FEL; 4 miles NW of Jal; Rot 3730 Tansill/Yates/Seven Rivers; Re-Entry of Texaco E&P Inc., P&A, Old TD 3220; API #30-025-09623

Manzano LLC
Gambling State #1
South Shoe Bar; T16S, R35E, Sec 34; 660 FNL 660 FEL; 6 miles NE of Buckeye; Rot 12360 Morrow; Re-Entry of Atlantic Richfield, Gambling WN Old TD 3167 St #1, P&A, Old TD 12775; API #30-025-02807

Resaca Oper. Co.
Cooper Jal Unit #147
Jalmat; T24S, R37E, Sec 19; 2313 FNL 326 FWL; 4 miles N of Jal; Rot 3730 Seven Rivers Queen Grayburg; Re-Entry of Texaco E&P Inc., P&A, Old TD 3167; API #30-025-11166

Resaca Oper. Co.
Cooper Jal Unit #129
Jalmat; T24S, R37E, Sec 19; 1653 FNL 1583 FWL; 4 miles N of Jal; Rot 3730 Seven Rivers Queen Grayburg; Re-Entry of Texaco E&P Inc., P&A, Old TD 3535; API #30-025-11152

ConocoPhillips Co.
Ruby Fed #6
West Maljamar; T17S, R32E, Sec 17; 994 FSL 236 FWL; 2 miles SW of Maljamar; Rot 6953 Yeso; API #30-025-40395

CML Expl. LLC
Beams 15 State #2
Sanmal; T17S, R33E, Sec 15; 450 FNL 885 FWL; 7 miles SE of Maljamar; Rot 11600 Penn; API #30-025-40392

The Arts

ON STAGE



Once Upon a MATTRESS





Trinity students to present musical comedy

By Georgia Temple
Entertainment Editor

A fictional medieval kingdom ruled by the devious Queen Aggravain and the mute, King Sextimus the Silent, who suffers from a curse that can only be reversed "when the mouse devours the hawk," provides the setting for the musical comedy "Once Upon a Mattress," being presented today through Saturday at the Yucca Theatre by Trinity School's music department.

"It's a comedic love story with a twist off of (Hans Christian Anderson's) 'Princess and the Pea' and every other mystical fairy tale there kind of is," said Corey Allcorn, who plays the jester.

No princess will satisfy Queen Aggravain, whose son, Prince Dauntless, is definitely in need of some backbone when it comes to his mother.

"He's very, very immature, very childish," said Sam Hart, who plays the prince. "A mama's boy, and he really doesn't do anything unless his mama tells him he can."

Playing Prince Dauntless is, Hart said, "Actually a lot of fun because I can really access my inner child."

Audrey Grimes as the Queen is also pleased with the role she received.

"I really enjoy it because I get to be something I'm not usually," Grimes said. "And I like just working on the voice and making it really powerful and commanding, overbearing. It's kind of challenging, but it's really fun to do."

The populace of the castle

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Winnifred (Carly Baker), at top, demonstrates to Prince Dauntless (Sam Hart) how strong she is during Trinity School's "Once Upon a Mattress." ABOVE LEFT In this scene from Trinity School's upcoming production, Lady Larkin (Isabel Nosek) is distraught over Sir Harry's (Paul Dingus) departure. ABOVE RIGHT Prince Dauntless (Sam Hart), from left, tells his mother the Queen (Audrey Grimes) how much he likes Winnifred (Carley Baker) in a scene from "Once Upon a Mattress."

Photos by
Cindeka Nealy

RED, WHITE and TUNA

MCT heads back to 'Tuna' for latest offering

By Georgia Temple
Entertainment Editor

Arles Struvie. Thurston Wheelis. Elmer Watkins. Petey Fisk. Charlene Bumiller. Pearl Burras. Vera Carp. R.R. Snavely and a dozen more welcome visitors to Tuna, Texas, Friday when the curtain goes up at Cole Theatre on "Red, White and Tuna."

"We've never done this one before," said Tim Jebsen, executive director of Midland Community Theatre and director for the comedy. "It's the third in the series, and it's been three years since we did 'Christmas.' And we've been sort of waiting for the right time to do the next one. We are real excited to have the same team together to do 'Red, White and Tuna' that did 'Tuna Christmas.'"

Those familiar with the "Tuna" series know two actors perform up

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Didi (David Odom), left, accuses her husband R.R. (Mike Harrell) of cheating when he returns from his travels in a flying saucer to pick up some fiddle string.

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SUNDAY

Basin PBS: LAWRENCE WELK: From 1980: "L-O-V-E," "Secret Love," "Love Me Tender," "Why Do I Love You?" "Amor" and "Love Makes the World Go Round." 4 p.m. PBS TV Channel For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

Basin PBS: MASTERPIECE CLASSIC: "Downton Abbey" Series II (Episode 6) continues with the Spanish flu sweeping through the household and infecting Cora, Lavinia and Mr. Carson, among others. Mary, Sybil and Robert, meanwhile, each face a moment of truth.. 7 pm PBS TV Channel. For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

Basin PBS: MASTERPIECE CLASSIC: "Downton Abbey" Season II (Episode 7)concludes with the family gathering at Downton for Christmas and the New Year; and Bates on trial for the murder of Vera. 8 pm PBS TV Channel. For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

Basin PBS: AUSTIN CITY LIMITS: Bluegrass performances from Steve Martin and the Steep Canyon Rangers, and singer-songwriter Sarah Jarosz. 10 pm PBS TV Channel. For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

Basin PBS: BACKSTAGE PASS: 11 pm PBS TV Channel. For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

Ellen Noël Art Museum: EXHIBIT: The Mike and Linda Tilton Collection of contemporary art, through April 8. EXHIBIT: Downstream: Paintings by Joyce Howell, through March 11. Regular museum gallery hours are Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m., 4909 East University, Odessa, 432-550-9696 or noelartmuseum.org.

George W. Bush Childhood Home: HISTORIC HOME: Come tour this unique landmark which was home to two Presidents, two Governors, and a First Lady. Listed on the National Register of Historic Sites and restored to the 1950s period when the Bush family lived in the home, this home is truly a unique landmark in the history of Midland and of the country. You'll see a 1950s restoration with period furnishings, learn a little more about Midland in the 1950s and a great deal more about the Bush family and their impact on Midland and the country. You can also visit our gift shop for interesting souvenirs, Christmas ornaments, gifts, 1950s toys, books, clothing, patriotic items and much more. 1412 West Ohio, 685-1112. Tours and gift shop hours are 2-5 p.m. Sundays and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturdays. Admission charged.

Midland College: McCormick Gallery: EXHIBIT: "He Got Marks" featuring the works of Gordon and Dagan Sherman, through March 30. Gallery hours are: Monday through Thursday 8 a.m.-10 p.m., Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information call 685-4770 or visit www.midland.edu/mccormick. No admission charged.

Midland County Historical Society: HISTORIC HOME: Z. Taylor Brown-Sara Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland, 213 North Weatherford, 682-5447. Open by appointment.

The Museum of the Southwest: EXHIBIT: Audubon's Animals of North America, through Feb. 26 in the Turner-Thomas Galleries. EXHIBIT: Contemporary Artist Series 2012: "Tribal Stories": Linda Vallejo Opening, through March 18 in the Here and Now Gallery. EXHIBIT: Taos Master: Taos Society of Artists collection on view all year, Hogan Gallery. EXHIBIT: The Sculpture Park has 14 sculptures on display. Pick up a walking guide with descriptions of all sculptures. 1705 West Missouri, 683-2882. Gallery Hours are Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m. Donations Welcome.

Odessa College LRC: 201 West University. Call 432-335-6640 for Options Gallery schedule. Free.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, Library and Hall of Fame: Museum hours are Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m., 1500 Interstate 20 West, 683-4403. Admission charged.

Scarborough-Linebery House: HISTORIC HOME: 802 South Main St., 685-7368. Open by appointment and available for rental for weddings and other special occasions.

Sibley Nature Center: Center for learning about the flora, fauna, and natural and human history of the Southern Llano Estacado, 1307 East Wadley. Office hours are 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday. Volunteers keep the center open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday. Call 684-6827 for information on art and photography classes.

University of Texas of the Permian Basin: Nancy Fyfe Cardozier Gallery: EXHIBIT: Formed and Fused by Tommy Gregory and Leslie Slaughter, through March 4. 4901 East University, Odessa. Regular hours are Monday- Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday-Sunday 2-5 p.m. Call 432-552-2806. Free and open to the public.

White-Pool House Museum: National Register of Historical Places. Texas Historical Landmark Texas Archaeological Landmark. Museum hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 112 East Murphy St., Odessa, 432-333-4072. Free.

MONDAY

Casa de Amigos: PROGRAM: "After School Fine Arts Program" A free Fine Arts program for 1st – 7th graders. Students will learn basic rhythm, musical chords, instruments, and construct musical equipment, instructor, Mary Lou McDonald. 1101 East Garden Lane. For enrollment, contact Youth Education Coordinator Chris Stonedale at 682-9701.

Midland Arts Association: EXHIBIT: Works of J. Mark Cox, artist for the month of February, Community National Bank lobby, 401 West Texas. Regular hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday.

Midland County Public Library: Circulating art prints: hundreds of art prints are available for circulation. 301 West Missouri Avenue. For more information call Diana at 688-4334.

Midland County Historical Museum: EXHIBIT: An exhibit honoring World War II veterans is now in place, in cooperation with the Texas Historical Commission's three-year program. Permanent exhibits: Native American artifacts; early Midland photos and relics; replica of Midland Man discovery; early obituary files available for research, 301 West Missouri. Open Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 2-5 p.m. Call 682-2931 or 688-8947. Free.

Midland Palette Club: EXHIBIT: Works of Dee Kemp, artist for the month of February, Chase Bank lobby, 2301 West Wall. Monday-Friday, banking hours.

TUESDAY

Blakemore Planetarium: Permanent exhibits are open Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. with admission charged. Closed Sunday and Monday. A Sky Show is playing every Tuesday through Friday at 4:15 p.m. and Friday evenings at 7:15 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. with two shows on Saturdays at 1:15 p.m. and 3:45 p.m. with admission charged. 1705 West Missouri Ave. For more information call 683-2882.

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum: EXHIBIT: Putt-Putt Around the World: Nine-hole game of miniature golf. Each hole represents a different culture and provides fun facts about each country. Permanent exhibits include "My Town", "Beach Babies" and "Touch of Sound". Regular museum hours are Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m., 1705 West Missouri, 683-2882. Admission charged.

Midland Palette Club: PAINT TIME: Join us for painting time each Tuesday from 9 a.m.-12 noon, 907 West Wadley. For more information call 432-352-8297.

WEDNESDAY

Casa de Amigos: PROGRAM: "After School Fine Arts Program" A free Fine Arts program for 1st – 7th graders. Students will learn basic rhythm, musical chords, instruments, and construct musical equipment, instructor, Mary Lou McDonald. 1101 East Garden Lane. For enrollment, contact Youth Education Coordinator Chris Stonedale at 682-9701.

The Haley Library and History Center: EXHIBIT: Contemporary Texas Regionalists: 15 premier artists working in Texas today, conveying traditional Texas subject matter in a twenty-first century style. Participating artists are: Randy Bacon, Margie Crisp, Keith Davis, Jon Flaming, Pat Gabriel, Robert Harrison, Lee Jamison, Robb Kendrick, Laura Lewis, William Montgomery, Noe Perez, Jeri Salter, Debbie Stevens, Bob Stuth and William Young, through March 2. Afternoon visit with the artists today 1-4 p.m. Permanent collections including paintings, bronzes, firearms and artifacts that exhibit pioneer settlement of the Great Southwest and the cattle industry, 1805 West Indiana. 682-5785. Regular hours are Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Free.

Parker House Ranching Museum: Permanent collection of Tom Lea and his work, also featuring area local history exhibits. Museum hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 1118 Maple, Odessa, 432-335-9918. Free.

THURSDAY

Basin PBS: SPECIAL: Growing Hope Against Hunger: A Sesame Street Primetime Special: Brad Paisley and Kimberly Williams Paisley join the "Sesame Street" Muppets to help explain to children about the widespread problem of hunger in the U.S. In the special, the "Sesame" pals meet Lily, whose family is dealing with the issue. 7 pm PBS TV Channel For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

Basin PBS: SPECIAL: Feeding Minds: Texas Takes on Hunger & Obesity. An examination of hunger and obesity in Texas includes a look at challenges communities face and possible solutions. 8 pm PBS TV Channel. For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

Basin PBS: SPECIAL: Thank You I'm Not Hungry Anymore: An examination of child-hunger issues in the Permian Basin. 9 pm PBS TV Channel. For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

The Haggard Gallery: EXHIBITION: Photography Exhibition by Guy McCrary, through April 30. The Martin County Library, 110 West School Street at St. Mary Street, Stanton, Texas. For information call 432-756-2472.

FRIDAY

Basin PBS: GREAT PERFORMANCES: A performance of the Tony Award-winning musical "Memphis," about a white high-school dropout in 1950s Tennessee who becomes a disc jockey in order to promote the music of a black singer he's fallen for. 8 pm PBS TV Channel For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

Midland Community Theatre: MUSICAL: "Guys and Dolls". 8 p.m. Cole Theatre, 2000 West Wadley, for more information call 570-4111. Admission charged.

SATURDAY

Basin PBS: LAWRENCE WELK: A 1966 Mardi Gras celebration features "Come to the Mardi Gras," "I Dreamed," "Mr. Wonderful," "Shrimp Boats," "Jambalaya" and "South Rampart Street Parade." 6 pm PBS TV Channel For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

Basin PBS: GREAT PERFORMANCES: A performance of the Tony Award-winning musical "Memphis," about a white high-school dropout in 1950s Tennessee who becomes a disc jockey in order to promote the music of a black singer he's fallen for. 7 pm PBS TV Channel For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

Basin PBS: AUSTIN CITY LIMITS: Texas singer-songwriters Robert Earl Keen and Hayes Carll perform. 10 pm PBS TV Channel. For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

Basin PBS: WOODSONGS: 11 pm PBS TV Channel For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

Midland Community Theatre: MUSICAL: "Guys and Dolls". 8 p.m. Cole Theatre, 2000 West Wadley, for more information call 570-4111. Admission charged.

Arts Council of Midland maintains a calendar of all known arts-related activities. To avoid conflicts with other organizations, please call 432-687-1149, P.O. Box 3494, Midland, TX 79702; or email lorri@acmidland.org.

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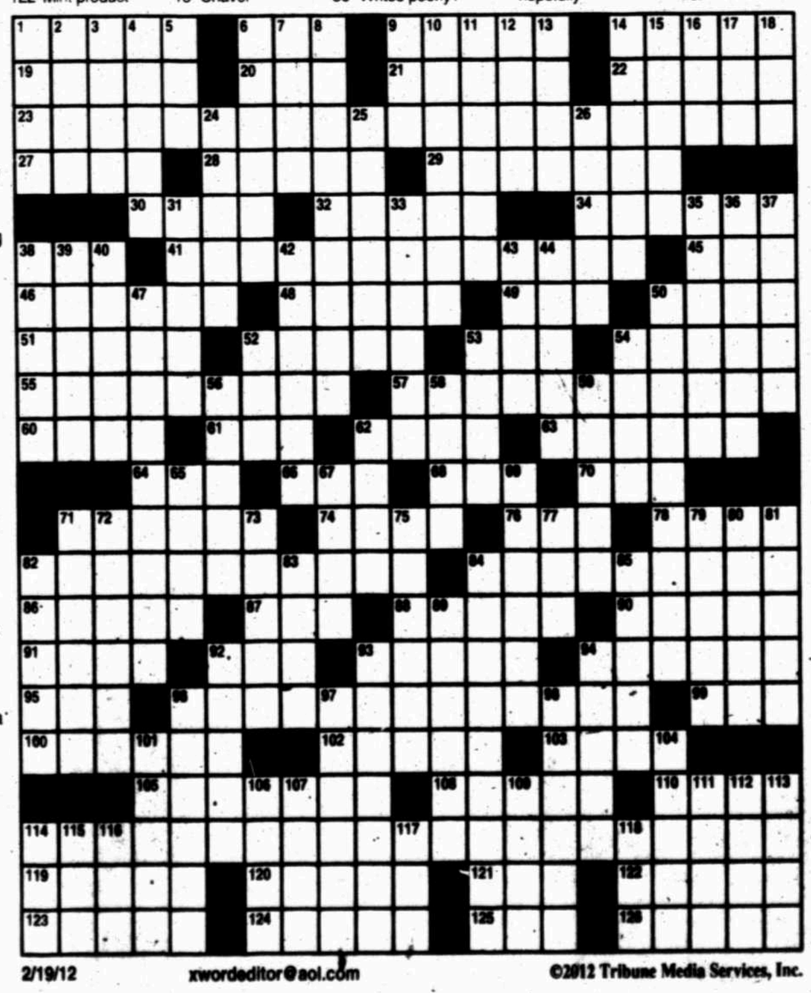
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"WHITE HOUSE COUNSEL" By JOHN LAMPKIN

ACROSS
1 Freeway entrances
6 High flier
9 Sour
14 Unexpected victory
19 "__ the news today, oh boy" Beatles lyric
20 Percent add-on
21 Give it a shot
22 Vertical
23 BILLY Hockey Hall of Famer Gordie
25 Banded quartz
29 Where the Piper piped
30 Comical Martha
32 Pockets picked at a deli?
34 Gathers bit by bit
38 Play a part
41 OLD WHISKERS
45 "Hmm ..."
46 Certain Tibetan
48 Choir section
49 L.A.'s Getty __ Center, e.g.
50 Whimper
51 Action film heroes are often in it
52 "It's __ Unusual Day" 1948 song
53 Posed
54 "__ a stinker?" Bugs Bunny line
55 Impetuously
57 FIDO
60 Choir section
61 Design deg.
62 Designer Saarinen
63 Speak against
64 Place to hear a cowbell
66 Fashion monogram
68 Lat neighbors
70 Poor writing
71 Fox sci-fi series
74 Word in an ultimatum
76 Strikers' org.?
78 Sister of Lusitica in "Born Free"
82 SOCKS
84 Two-event events
86 Puts away cargo
87 Put away dishes?
88 Legend automaker
90 "Good Eats" series creator __ Brown
91 Many MIT grads
92 Address for a bride, often
93 Address the throng
94 Leave no doubt about
95 Historical period
96 MAUDE
99 Orch. section
100 On a streak
102 Longtime sportscaster Harmon
103 __ buco
105 "Hmm ..."
108 Air conditioner brand that's "hard to stop"
110 Table d'__: fixed menu
114 DICK
119 Once more
120 Came to a close
121 One-eighty
122 Mint product
123 "Blame It on the __": Nova" 1963 hit
124 Docket load
125 Some govt. heads
126 Small fry

DOWN
1 Too amusing for words
2 Suffix for stink
3 Advice from 82-Across?
4 Less ruddy
5 Star Wars letters
6 Shot glass
7 Home of Zeno
8 Neil Armstrong, e.g., before becoming an astronaut
9 Sporty VW
10 "Oliver!" chorus members
11 Go around
12 Physics subject
13 Chucklehead
14 Angle toward the sky
15 Shaver
16 Bottom line amount
17 It'll never fly
18 USA rival
24 Six-Day War hero
25 Bank jobs
26 Korbut and others
31 Time and __
33 Play the fife
35 It may be hidden
36 Gift to play with
37 Baseball commissioner since the '90s
38 A, as in Athens
39 Advice from 114-Across?
40 "__ Bubba"
42 "Kitchen Nightmares" host Gordon
43 Auto financing org.
44 __ a limb
47 Whence some moms are greeted
50 Writes poorly?
52 Advice from 57-Across?
53 Holy-lolly sort
54 Novelist Seton
56 Insect stage
58 "Dies __"
59 Caress, wave-style
62 First name in scat
65 Forest friends of Frodo
67 Chip off the old flock?
69 Cathedral toppers
71 Pipe collar
72 Like some chips
73 Calendario start
75 Glassy-eyed one
77 Advice from 41-Across?
79 Yoga position
80 Advice from 23-Across?
81 Longtime Moore co-star
82 Like one's conscience, hopefully
83 Get fresh with
84 Flower toxic to cows, ironically
85 Suspends
89 Beckon from afar
92 Small engine
93 Command
94 Innsbruck iron
96 Ivanhoe's beloved
97 Edits
98 Racehorses
101 Vintage stereos
104 "Not again"
106 Minute minute pt
107 Portuguese lady
109 Tamroff of "Touch of Evil"
111 Advice from 96-Across?
112 Genealogist's handiwork
113 Slow Churned ice cream
114 Fast punch
115 Big head
116 Scale fourths
117 OR figures
118 Prime meridian hrs.



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GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

More than one road leads to Rome

Both vulnerable. East deals.

NORTH
♠ 9 7 6 4
♡ K 5
◇ K 6 5 4 3
♣ Q 2

WEST
♠ J
♡ 10 9 8 2
◇ Q J 10 9 8 7
♣ 8 7

EAST
♠ A 10 8 5
♡ Q J 3
◇ 2
♣ J 10 9 6 3

SOUTH
♠ K Q 3 2
♡ A 7 6 4
◇ A
♣ A K 5 4

The bidding:

EAST	SOUTH	WEST	NORTH
Pass	1♠	Pass	1♡
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead: Ten of ♡

This deal is from a qualifying session of the Reisinger Teams at the recent ACBL Fall North American Championships held in Seattle. At both tables South became declarer at three no-trump, and with North responding one diamond to partner's opening bid, at both tables West elected to attack with the 10 of hearts.

Declarer ducked the first trick and won the continuation with the king. Both declarers led a spade from the table and, having no reason to suspect that declarer had an eight-card spade fit, both East's shot up with the ace, dropping partner's knave, and continued with the queen of hearts. Declarer won with the ace of hearts, cashed the ace of diamonds, and exited with a heart, squeezing East out of a club. West wins and gets out with a club, won with dummy's queen. On the king of diamonds, East was forced to keep two spades, so he surrendered his club stopper and declarer had his overtrick.

The play to the early tricks at the other table followed the same path. However, instead of playing the fourth heart to squeeze South, declarer simply cashed his minor-suit winners and then exited with a club. East won, but was forced to lead away from the 10 of spades at trick 12.

No swing!

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Feb. 19, 2012:
You have a tendency to keep many of your opinions to yourself. You also might want a lot of time alone. You see situations in a far more dynamic manner than many people. During these periods, you become extroverted. AQUARIUS understands much more than you realize.
ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ Surround yourself with friends. Be direct in how you deal with a particularly difficult person. Tonight: Going to the wee hours.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ You might desire to play it low-key, but somehow you get tossed into the spotlight. Responsibilities call. Tonight: Surrounded by caring people.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Reach out for someone at a distance. If this person isn't too far, you might opt to meet each other halfway. Tonight: Opt for a different invitation.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Deal with someone directly who you care about. You might be surprised by how responsive he or she might be. Tonight: Dinner for two.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Others come forward. Whether by phone, text or in person, you seem to receive invitation after invitation. Whatever you choose, you naturally radiate and remain content. Tonight: The only answer is yes.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ You might want to slow down in the afternoon, after a morning of touching base with those at a distance. Tonight: Think "Monday."
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ You might think you are too tired, but events prove otherwise. Whether you are enjoying a child or off with a new friend, you re-energize and are all smiles. Tonight: So what if it is Sunday?
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★ You might want some time off from your routine, work and friends. Take today and make it yours. Tonight: Be a couch potato.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ Saying what you mean does not necessarily cause hurt feelings. Be responsible, claim your side of an issue and judge others less. Tonight: Hanging out.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Sometimes you get quite possessive over a loved one. Follow your intuition in a conversation. Tonight: Dinner for two.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ You wake up wondering why you have made such a big deal about getting together with a friend. Tonight: Whatever knocks your socks off.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ You might surprise yourself by what you say or by a gesture you make. You seem to be picking up on a new inner sense. Tonight: Not far.

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BORN TODAY
Singer Smokey Robinson (1940), actor Lee Marvin (1924), singer Seal (1963)

ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE

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IN THE LIMELIGHT

GRAHAM DIXON



Standing at least a foot shorter than anyone else in the choir, he looked almost too vulnerable to be standing on stage before an audience of several hundred people. Yet watching him closer, you could see he was in fact holding back when singing along with the other 23 boys. As he stepped forward for the solo in "Omnes de Saba venient," Phillip Schiretz, who must be only 7 years old, filled the church with a most beautiful, soulful soprano voice.

Thus the Vienna Boys Choir introduced a packed house to a heavenly musical talent last Saturday night at First Presbyterian Church .

But their first number was the gritty, passionate "O Fortuna" from Carl Orff's Carmina Burana. Here the power of their voices was rather jolting — an anthem to the power of Luck that has smiled so much on each member of this choir.

They are led by the delightfully animated Italian conductor and pianist Manolo Cagnin. He conducts his choir with his whole body. His face might be seen as a multifaceted baton that changes expression — it is so elastic it almost changes shape — according to the mood he is instilling. But behind his infectious vivacity lies the stern discipline so characteristic of Austrian culture — as Dr. Tom Hyde said to me at dinner afterward, it was quite remarkable to see the self-control and maturity of these boys as they stood with such poise throughout their two-hour concert.

Ne'er a fidgeting leg or a hand out of place for the whole evening.

While it is an ensemble of the first degree, the Vienna Boys Choir also highlights its soloists. In the first half we were stunned by Schiretz, but in the second it was Edis Levent's voice that dominated, with its ethereal, haunted quality. A boy soprano is one of the purest sounds in existence, and with Levent it is at its most pristine.

While the audience experienced what it had probably expected — perfect boys voices — the sheer joy and vibrant fun that exuded from the stage was the most exhilarating aspect of this show. Michael Owu, originally from the Republic of Congo, was quietly expressive in Elton John's classic "Can You Feel the Love Tonight?," while in "Widerspruch" the choir's voices took on a quadrophonic quality.

The highlight of the evening came in "Miniwanka" or "Moments of Water." The voices embodied the multiple characters and moods of water. From a dripping tap to a rushing river to waves crashing and on to indecipherable but undeniably watery sounds, the choir illustrated what modern music can be at its best. The lack of formal structure allows for a flowing imagination and sheer inventiveness.

"Moments of Water" was hypnotic. Best of all, the smiles being exchanged between the boys showed their delight, even while they sang with a consummate accuracy.

Near the end a series of Strauss pieces evoked the more humorous side of Germanic culture. If there are German Beer Festivals in heaven, this is how their drinking songs will sound. The boys captured the rowdy, vaguely out-of-control atmosphere of those gatherings while also creating visions of waltzing, elegant couples.

A beautiful and yet earthy end to a wonderful evening's entertainment.

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MCT

From 1H

to 10 characters of both sexes and varying ages during the show.

"Not all the characters are the same," said Jebsen. "There are some new characters, but yes there are some same characters. The idea of creating eight to 10 characters — you have to create different voices and mannerisms for each of the characters. That's a challenge they have already been through."

For Mike Harrell, "Red, White and Tuna" is a change from his last performance at MCT.

"I go from being Captain Von Trapp to being 10 different characters, including a catering truck cook and a mother of three,' Harrell said. "I did the first two ('Tuna' shows). It was almost required for me to come audition for this one."

The characters are "fun," Harrell said. "There isn't a character that's foreign to me. I've played them all. There is one new character — Star Birdfeather. She's like cosmically totally cool."

David Odom is the other actor taking on 10 roles.

"I think I play out of the whole thing three male characters," said Odom, adding that the first "Tuna" show MCT presented featured Harrell and Drew Anderson. "This is my second 'Tuna,' my second helping if you will."

He plays seven women and three men, said Odom, adding, "So it's challenging."

His approach to creating characters is to select characteristics he's seen in others.

"Honestly, they are all people from my past, I guess you would say," said Odom. He laughed. "Hopefully, not all of them will recognize themselves."

Created by Jaston Williams, Joe Sears and Ed Howard, the Tuna stories take place in the fictional town of Tuna, the third smallest town in the state. The first play "Greater Tuna," debuted in 1981 in Austin. "Red White and Tuna" debuted in 1998. Williams and Sears regularly tour the country to perform all four "Tuna" shows. Howard directs their shows.

"I think they are probably just trying to initiate people to the South, introduce them to a wide variety of culture in Texas," Odom said of the show and its creators. He laughed.

"Red, White and Tuna" begins with two new-age hippies, Star Birdfeather and Amber Windchime driving back to Tuna for the July 4th homecoming reunion and fireworks display.

"The people of Tuna cover the whole spectrum of personality," said Odom. "I think the shows have a lot to do with love and relationships between small town people."

ALL THE DETAILS

"RED, WHITE AND TUNA"

When: Friday through March 17. Evening performances at 8 p.m. Matinees at 2 p.m.

Where: Mabee Theatre II, Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave.

Tickets: $18 for adults, $15 for seniors, $12 for children. Additional ticket processing fees applied for all non-member ticket purchases. Reach Out and Pay What You Can performance: 2 p.m. Feb. 26

Call: 570-4111.

Info: Recommended for those age 12 and older due to adult language and situations.

Cast: Mike Harrell and David Odom. Each plays multiple characters.

Production crew: Director: Timothy Jebsen; Stage Manager: Doug Hart; Scenic Designer: Lou Gerstle; Resident Scenic Designer: Brian J. Baillif; Costume Designer: Micheal H. Waid; Sound Designer: Carrie Scott; and Lighting Designer: Edward W. Taylor.

Info: Both actors portrayed a number of the same characters in MCT's 2009 production of "A Tuna Christmas" The play is a comedy by Jaston Williams, Joe Sears and Ed Howard. Co-produced by Concho Resources.

TRINITY

From 1H

complains about an unjust law levied by Queen Aggravain: "Throughout the land no one may wed, 'till Dauntless shares his wedding bed." However, every petitioning princess is sent away after failing an unfair test devised by the Queen. It seems no one is good enough to marry Prince Dauntless.

Enter the 13th princess to try and secure his hand in marriage — Winnefred.

"She is a very outspoken person," said Carly Baker, who plays the princess. "Someone who's not afraid to be herself. She's a little rough around the edges — a tomboy."

The musical comedy features music by Mary Rodgers, lyrics by Marshall Barer and book by Jay Thompson, Dean Fuller and Marshall Barer. It opened off-Broadway in May 1959, and then moved to Broadway.

"It's actually all very funny, and there are some parts you wouldn't expect to be funny that actually end up being funny anyway," Allcorn said. "It's a very comedic play."

ALL THE DETAILS

"ONCE UPON A MATTRESS"

When: 7:30 p.m. Thursday through Saturday

Where: Yucca Theatre, 208 N. Colorado Ave.

Tickets: $15. On sale in the Trinity Commons 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Sponsor Tables: $300

Call: 681-3334

Cast: Minstrel: Stone Fuglaar; Wizard: Austin Green; Princess Number Twelve: Holland Hardie; Lady Rowena: Chloe Kennedy; Lady Merrill: Morgan Lane; Lady Lucille: Emily Christensen; Prince Dauntless: Sam Hart; Queen Aggravain: Audrey Grimes; Lady Larken: Isabel Nosek; Sir Studley: Jason Hilgemeier; King Sextimus the Silent: Skyler Rittenberry; Jester: Corey Allcorn; Sir Harry: Paul Dingus; Princess Winnifred: Carly Baker; Kitchen Wench: Ba'Leigh Burns; and The Nightingale of Samarkand: Olivia Lerwick.

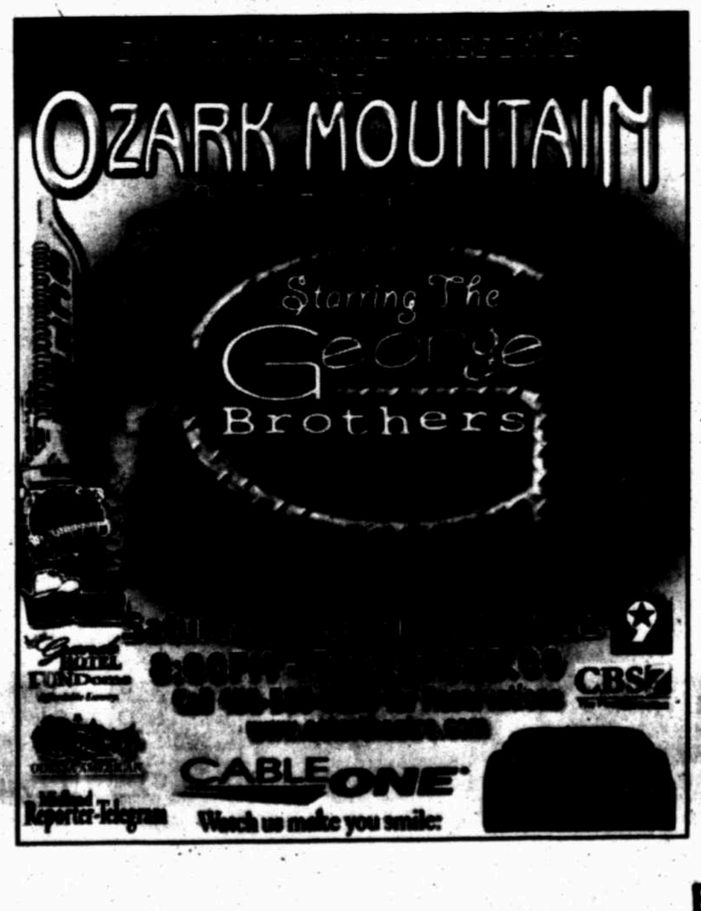
Chorus members: Ba'Leigh Burns, Chris Cooper, Priyanka Guru, Holland Hardie, Emily Lee, Olivia Lerwick, Raquelle Reeves, Zureyma Thompson and Lauren Wagner.

Production crew members include: Stage Manager: Hutton Person; Musical Director/Show Coordinator: Vivian Moss; Acting Director: Bill Williams; Choreographer: Chuck Novotka; Light/Sound/Scenic Designer: Edward Taylor; and Parent Volunteer Liaisons: Mary Anne and Bill Dingus.

Tickets still available

Tickets are still available for Hal Holbrook's Mark Twain Tonight on Friday, April 13, and The Rat Pack is Back on Friday, May 4. Both are part of the Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center inaugural Broadway in the Basin Series.

The center is located off of Highway 191 and FM 1788. For ticket information, contact the Wagner Noël staff at 432.552.4430 or order online at www.wagner-noel.com.



THE WEEK AHEAD

Arts and Entertainment opportunities in the Basin Feb. 19-25

TODAY

Performance

ODESSA — The West Texas Jazz Society presents Sunday Afternoon Jazz featuring Jazz Cafe today at Zucchi's Ristorante, 1541 JBS Parkway.

The music begins at 2 p.m. Doors open at 1 p.m. A limited lunch menu will be available.

Jazz Cafe features Pano Mata, sax; Eric Baker, trumpet and vocals; Robert Claiborne, trombone; Dan Ferguson, piano; Mark Lowe, bass; Ricky Puga, drums; and Emily Baker, vocals.

Members are free. Tickets for non-members are $10 and $2 for students with an ID. For more information, call 683-2026 or 552-8962.

TUESDAY

Concert

The Alaska String Band performs a free concert at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Fellowship Hall at First Baptist Church, 2104 W. Louisiana Ave.

The Alaska String Band is a concert group comprised of members of a single family performing with guitar, twin violin-fiddles, bass, mandolin, ukulele, percussion and vocals.

"Our band provides a singular Alaskan color, being a multi-generational family having resided in Juneau since 1968," said Paul Zahasky, noting that the repertoire consists of a lively collection of bluegrass, old time, gospel, swing, blues, Celtic and original music.

FRIDAY

Musical

Midland Community Theatre's production of the musical "Guys and Dolls" is on-stage in Davis Theatre I, Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave., through March 3.

Co-produced by Wagner & Brown, Ltd., "Guys and Dolls" is MCT's opening musical of the season.

Curtain is at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday and 7:30 p.m. Thursday. The Reach Out and Pay What You Can performance is set for Feb. 12.

For tickets call MCT's box office, 570-4111.

Musical

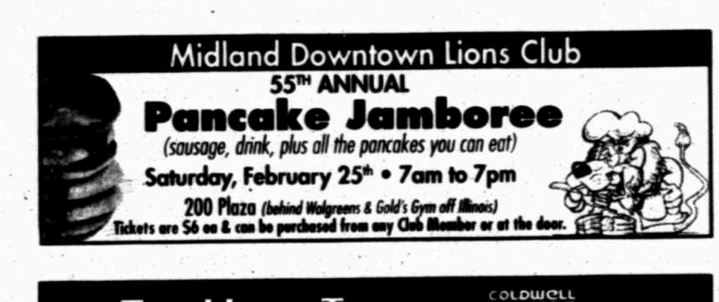
ODESSA —The Kaleidoscope Company of Permian Playhouse is presenting "Beauty and the Beast Jr." through March 4.

Shows are set for 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2:30 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are $14 for adults, $12 for seniors and students and $7 for ages 12 and younger. There will be no show on March 2.

For reservations, call 550-5456 or go to permianplayhouse.com.



STARSHIP, starring Mickey Thomas, with special guest Bobby Kimball, former lead singer of the band Toto, comes to the Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center Saturday. Show time is 8 p.m. Thomas made his mark in 1976 as lead vocalist on the mega-hit "Fooled Around and Fell in Love" with The Elvin Bishop Band. Thomas joined Jefferson Starship in the late '70s. The band scored a No. 1 hit with "Jane." With this new sound and new vocals, the group was renamed Starship and continued to record a string of hits including "No Way Out," "We Built This City," "Sara" and received an Oscar Nomination for the No. 1 hit "Nothing's Gonna Stop Us Now" from the movie "Mannequin." Other top hits include "Find Your Way Back," "Stranger," "Laying it on the Line" and "It's Not Over 'Til it's Over." Every Starship album released has gone Gold, Platinum or Multi-Platinum. While Kimball was with Toto, the band won six Grammy Awards for such hits as "Hold the Line," "Rosanna" and "Africa" to name a few. Tickets are available at the Wagner Noel box office or online at www.wagnernoel.com.







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Reviews of recent CDs

PAUL McCARTNEY
"Kisses on the bottom"



Those of a certain age might remember the "Is Paul Dead?" rumor that swirled around the Beatles at the peak of their career. Fans played Beatles tracks backward and carefully examined photographs for "evidence" of Paul McCartney's supposed demise.

After listening to McCartney's new quaint little dalliance with the Great American Songbook, "Kisses on the Bottom," the question that occurred to me was "Is Paul retired?"

"Kisses on the Bottom" features music McCartney used to sing around the piano with his family as a tyke in the 1940s and '50s, along with other period pieces selected by the singer and producer Tommy LiPuma, plus two new McCartney songs. The evidence is legion that Sir James Paul McCartney, 69, longtime songwriting powerhouse, may have indeed punched his final time clock.

There's the gold (retirement?) watch he's wearing on his left arm in many of the photos within the CD package. His last solo studio album, in 2007, was called "Memory Almost Full" and was followed by what could be considered a retirement party: "Good Evening New York City," a 2009 two CD/DVD package that featured the veteran reliving the glory years.

More explicit confirmation comes via the album's booklet, in which McCartney explains the process of working with LiPuma and a crack group of players — including Diana Krall and her band, Stevie Wonder, Eric Clapton and the remarkable father-son jazz guitar team of Bucky and John Pizzarelli.

The record features songs from the 1930s and 1940s by some of America's great early 20th century songwriters. It comes dangerously close to breaching the property-line that early retiree Rod Stewart has drawn in his wildly successful, and treacly, series of "Great American Songbook" titles, though McCartney's song choices are less predictable.

More to the point, like Stewart's blockbuster series of classics, "Kisses" is perhaps an acknowledgment by an artist that the pop and rock rat race — i.e. the backbreaking work of keeping relevant in an ever-evolving musical landscape — is no longer worth the effort. Thus: It's time to retire.

Gentle on the ears and soft on the heart, "Kisses" might be of no greater or lesser consequence than an easygoing golf outing among friends or a weekend spent digging a garden near the back fence, but its pleasures, though small and sleepy, can be gratifying. It is a more satisfying listen if treated as a footnote in McCartney's repertoire, in the best sense of the term: a record to cite when discussing the influences of some of the writer's more Songbook-referential ditties of his own, like "Martha My Dear," "Honey Pie" and that part in "Uncle Albert/Admiral Halsey" about "a cup of tea and butter pie."

Like a great chip shot seen only by the rest of your foursome or a fresh new row of daisies sprouting in the spring, its influence is minimal in the scheme of things but not without its own kind of joy. It's a charming offering realized without the pressures of sales or reputation to worry about, and a reminder this McCartney guy once was a true force.

— Randall Roberts
Los Angeles Times



New music on the way from late Waylon Jennings

By Chris Talbott
Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The family of Waylon Jennings soon will release songs the country music icon recorded shortly before his death 10 years ago.

At least eight of the 12 songs on the tentatively titled "Goin' Down Rockin': The Final Recordings" were written by Jennings, and eight have not been released in any version before. The simple vocal and guitar tracks were cut at steel guitarist Robby Turner's studio before Jennings' death in 2002, and musicians who worked with Jennings have gathered to finish the tracks.

The release later this year is part of a new effort by Jennings' family to establish a Waylon business brand similar to the booming estates of artists such as Johnny Cash, Elvis Presley and Hank Williams.

Jennings was born in Littlefield and spent several years as a radio DJ and musician in Lubbock. As a member of Buddy Holly's band, he narrowly escaped death on Feb. 3, 1959, when he gave up his seat on a small charter flight to J.P. "The Big Bopper" Richardson during a tour and the plane crashed, killing Holly, Richardson and Ritchie Valens.

His son, Shooter Jennings, also plans to launch a clothing line, a redesigned community-based website and finalize plans for a biopic. All that also coincides with the second installment of the three-part tribute "Waylon: The Music Inside," released recently and featuring songs from Hank Williams Jr., Dierks Bentley and Jewel.

"Feb. 13 (was) 10 years since he died, and I do feel like it's time for him to have a presence," Shooter Jennings said. "It should have been before, but I don't think anybody was ready to take it on. I certainly wasn't. I know this year we're about to bring him back, you know what I mean?"

Jennings died from complications of diabetes at 64.

He left behind one of country music's most important legacies. He fiercely fought for his artistic freedom, creating the so-called "outlaw" movement — a term he chafed under — that would eventually envelop artists like Willie Nelson, Johnny Cash and Kris Kristofferson. The four toured together as "The Highwaymen."

Just as importantly for modern country music, however, he was a voracious listener who wasn't afraid to incorporate folk or rock or pop into his voluminous repertoire. He had many different sides and many different kinds of artists claim him as an inspiration.

His unwillingness to bend to the will of record labels in Nashville was country music's highest-paying gamble. He held out for a better contract, then turned around and released "Wanted: The Outlaws," the first platinum-selling country album. Albums like "Honky Tonk Heroes" and "Lonesome, On'ry and Mean" helped redefine country music, moving it from regional art form to pop culture phenomenon.

It was never easy, though.

As his widow, Jessi Colter, noted: "It's the curse of the trailblazer to have the highest walls, the hardest knocks. ... His choices were different. His offers were different. His story is yet to be told. And I actually have confidence that it will be."

New music will surely spur a little buzz for one of the most name-checked artists by modern country musicians. After making his guide recordings, Jennings discussed how to flesh out the songs on "The Final Recordings" with Turner before his death. Turner called in Jennings friends like guitarist Reggie Young and songwriter Tony Joe White to finish off the tracks.

The album will include White's "Goin' Down Rockin'" and Willie Nelson's "Sad Songs & Waltzes" and is described by Turner as similar in spirit to the work Cash did with Rick Rubin during the American Recordings sessions at the end of his life.



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19 **Technical Jazz, Justin Langston, Ann Russell, Alan Childs, Richard Jaquez** @ Music City Mall
20 **Victorian Halls, The Mighty Classic, Divided by Friday, I the Mighty** @ Pine Box
20 **Zydeco Dots** @ The Bar
21 **Alaska String Band** @ First Baptist
23 **Fred Andrews and Honeybrowne** @ Rockin' Rodeo
24 **Jerry Jeff Walker** @ CAF
24 **Robert Claiborne** @ Cigar Frog's
24 **Run Home Jack** @ The Detour
24 **Technical Jazz, Ashley Smith, Dene Redmon** @ Music City Mall
24-25 **Mystery Stain** @ The Bar
24-25 **Kevin Ochs** @ Riley's
24-25 **3 Lit Pigz** @ Your Place
24-25 **Loudfinger** @ Hot Shots
25 **Starship featuring Mickey Thomas** @ Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center
25 **Jason Tarleton & Unsweet T's** @ Cigar Frog's
25 **Bred For War, Sindrone, Eternal Mosh, I Am Divine** @ Fast Freddy's
25 **Allstars, Jeff Williams, Ann Russell, Lois Stone, Ernesto Calderon, Jessie Thomas** @ Music City Mall
25 **Cory Yeager** @ Zucchi's
25 **Stampede** @ Gritos
25 **Brian Keane** @ Lone Star Bar
25 **A Formal Affair** @ The Ground Floor
25 **Boys No Good, Day Trader, Latin for Truth, ThirtySeven, Archimedes, Watch Out!, Run for Cover** @ Pine Box
25-26 **Creed Fisher** @ Flash's Cantina
26 **Man Overboard, Handguns, Seahaven, Candy Hearts, Ivy League, Moving Forward** @ Pine Box
26 **Permian Basin String Quartet** @ Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center (2 p.m.)
26 **Stomp** @ Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center (7 p.m.)
26 **Goodtimers, Samuel Zachary, Tucker Binkley, Luis Ramirez, Ty Miller, Mary Mitchell** @ Music City Mall
27 **Broken Jaw Philosophy, Dead City Whores, Voodoo Glow Skulls** @ New Blue Max
28 **Elitist, Bermuda, We Still Dream, Erra** @ Pine Box
29 **Creed Fisher** @ Rockin Rodeo

March

2 **Tex Railer's Doomtown, Negative Offset, Outlash, Waiting For Sunday, Broken Jaw Philosophy** @ New Blue Max
2 **Aaron Watson** @ Graham's
2-3 **Leigh Cates** @ Riley's
2-3 **Grindstone** @ The Bar
3 **Jeans n Classics — Madmen Across the Water: Elton John Tribute featuring the Midland/Odessa Symphony and Choir** @ Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center
3 **Kevin Ochs Band** @ New Blue Max
3 **Buckshot Bradley** @ Rockin Rodeo
3 **David Hobbs** @ Gritos
3 **Cory Yeager** @ Cigar Frog's
6 **The Water Coolers** @ MHS auditorium
8 **Jason Boland and the Stragglers** @ Rockin Rodeo
8 **Junius** @ Pine Box
9 **3 Lit Pigz** @ Fast Freddy's
9-10 **Black Eye Shiner** @ Hot Shots
9-10 **Darren Welch Group** @ The Bar
10 **Juggernaut, Murder the Stout, Jed Marum, Don Gabbert, Red McWilliams, Hugh Morrison, Kelley Kingston, Thorn and Thistle Pipe and Drums, Empyre Pipe and Drums, Mark Gunn** @ Horseshoe (Scottish-Irish Faire)
10 **The Fab Five** @ Ector Theatre
10 **Texas Latino** @ Gritos
10 **3 Lit Pigz** @ Corky's
10 **Lord of the Dance** @ Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center
12 **Trivium** @ Dos Amigos
13 **Big John Bates** @ New Blue Max
16 **Redeemed Chaos** @ Fast Freddy's
16 **Glen Campbell** @ Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center
16 **Johnny Outlaw and the Johnson Creek Stranglers** @ New Blue Max
16 **Diamond Dust** @ The Detour
16 **3 Lit Pigz** @ Fast Freddy's
16-17 **Freeride** @ The Bar
17 **Joe Ely** @ Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center
17 **Chill Factor** @ Boomerz
17 **Filthy Still, The Johnson Creek Stranglers** @ New Blue Max

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February

19 **Children of Bodom, Eluveitie, Revocation, Threat Signal** @ Lone Star Pavillion

March

3 **Willie Nelson** @ City Bank Auditorium
5 **Gungor** @ City Bank Auditorium

April

21 **Godsmack, Staind, HaleStorm** @

NEW MEXICO

February

17 **Joe Nichols** @ Inn of the Mountain Gods

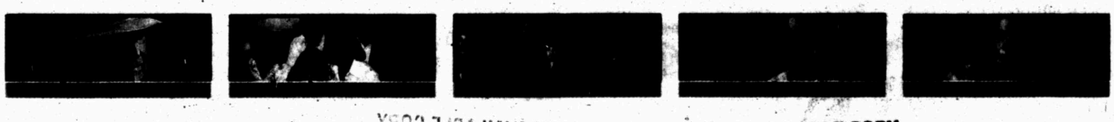
March

29 **LeAnn Rimes** @ IOMG
31 **REO Speedwagon** @ IOMG

DALLAS-FORT WORTH

February

22 **Lenny Kravitz** @ Verizon Theatre At Grand Prairie
24 **Musiq Soulchild** @ Verizon Theatre At Grand Prairie
25 **BB King** @ Billy Bob's Texas
27 **Dropkick Murphys, Frank Turner** @ House of Blues



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