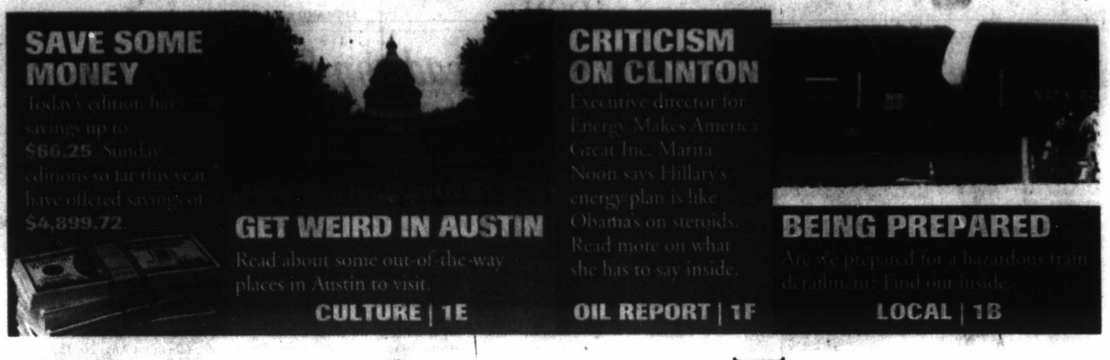


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MISD: School transfer requests are on delay

Delay will continue until enrollment numbers are known, is 'one-year anomaly'

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In two weeks, some Midland ISD students might walk into the wrong school on the first day of classes.

Because of attendance zone changes redrawn last spring, MISD is still processing transfer requests submitted by parents, who may not receive an answer until after the start of school, according to a press release from the district.

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The district cannot process the transfer requests because officials are still solidifying enrollment numbers for each campus. Because MISD has additional zones because of the three new elementary schools, the district cannot estimate — as in past years — how many students will be in each class, according to Superintendent Ryder Warren.

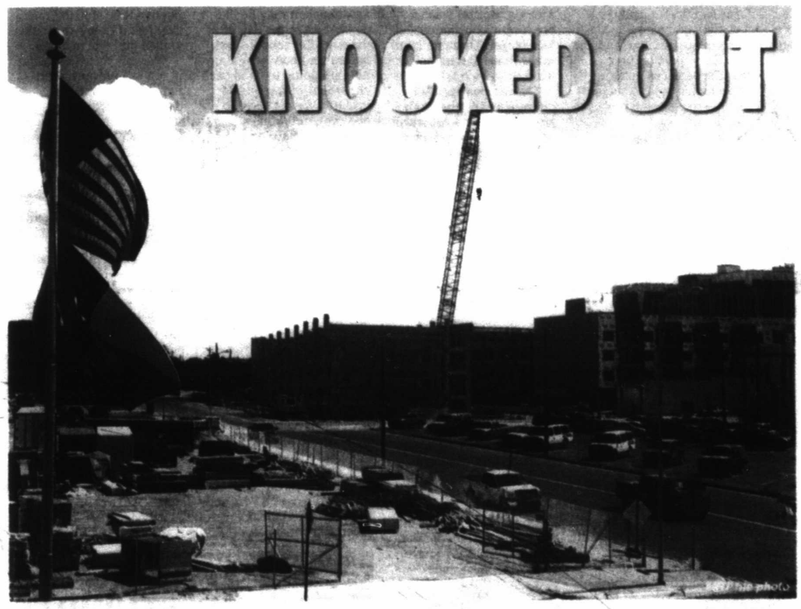
Because of the delay in granting transfer requests, uniform requirements at applicable MISD elementary schools are suspended for the first six weeks of the school year, according to a separate press release from the district.

The MISD dress code continues to apply and the exception does not extend to secondary students, who should wear their assigned uniforms, according to the release.

Parents do not have to re-enroll their child but must submit proof of residence to determine the school their student will attend.

Because of this requirement, the district might not know how many students are in each school until classes start, according

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Midland knocked out of top 10 in Texas for high rents

By Rye Druzin
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Midland has been knocked out of the top 10 for highest rents in the Lone Star State just eight months after posting Texas' highest rent, according to a recent report by Apartment List.

Midland fell to No. 13 for the average price of a one-bedroom apartment with a price of $1,000. That is significantly lower than the December peak of $1,340 for a one-bedroom apartment, according to Apartment List data, and tied with other cities like Katy. The recent report also puts Midland at No. 12 in the state for highest two-bedroom rent at $1,280. Odessa was tied at No. 14 with price of $1,250 for a two-bedroom.

The report stated that Odessa's average two-bedroom rent has declined by 8.9 percent in the last year, the largest drop of any city in the state.

In January, Apartment List had Midland at the top of the list for most expensive rents

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By the numbers

Top 10 one-bedroom rents in Texas (according to Apartment List):

1. Pearland	$1,230
2. Addison	$1,180
3. Baytown, Dallas	$1,150
4. Flower Mound	$1,130
5. Houston	$1,080
6. Conroe	$1,070
7. Stafford	$1,060
8. Austin	$1,050
9. Frisco	$1,040
10. Coppell, Farmers Branch, Pasadena, Tomball	$1,030

Note: Midland's reported average price was $1,000.

Mexican oil company visits Permian Basin for expertise

■ Low oil prices have not tamped interest in onshore shale

By Rye Druzin
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A group of three men — two Mexican, and one American — sat in a room in the 10th floor office of Elevation Resources overlooking Midland.

The men were in Midland looking for the experience and know-how that has made the Permian Basin famous: oil companies that have used horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing to their advantage to create the most prolific play overall in the United States.

Now, these men are hoping to take that expertise south for a new venture that is looking to get off the ground not in New Mexico or Texas, but across the border: the southern part of Mexico, to be precise.

"The technical competencies of the people (in Midland) is needed because, in Mexico, all the experience is and was focused on conventional fields, and now a lot of what is being opened is in unconventional plays," said Jose Rinkenbach, chief financial officer for Mexico Petroleum Company. "This is exactly the type of experience that people here in the Permian have."

The historic opening up of Mexico's oil industry by the country in 2013 turned the focus away from Pemex, the Mexican national oil company that had dominated the industry since 1938, to allowing foreign investment in Mexico's oil and gas industry — an attempt to boost the country's declining production. Mexico's

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Three new schools wil be ready on first day of school



RYDER-WARREN
Midland ISD superintendent

As I stated in last week's article, we are barreling toward the beginning of our new school year, and everyone with Midland ISD is very excited about getting our kids back from summer break.

In my article last week, I gave an account of our current budget challenges. This week, I would like to update everyone on other important issues relevant not only to our parents and caregivers, but to all MISD community stakeholders.

Last week, the school district issued a press release to local media teams announcing the need for all elementary parents of the district to provide MISD a proof of residence. As was reported last spring, the district has redrawn elementary attendance zones for first time in 22 years. Because of the growth Midland has experienced over the last several years, and because of the changes in Midland over the last 20 years, these adjustments to attendance zones will affect thousands of students.

There are two ongoing issues in the district at this time in relation to our new elementary attendance zones. As a school district, we need to make very precise decisions on appropriate staffing numbers for each of the elementary schools. In addition, because of a variety of family circumstances, we have some parents seeking transfers from their newly zoned schools to other schools in the district. To understand the building capacities of all 27 elementary schools and to make appropriate staffing and student-transfer decisions, MISD must know for certain where our children are living. By requiring all elementary school parents to provide a copy of proof of residence, we are able to ensure our records are correct.

One major improvement to our schools this year is that we are getting rid of almost all of the portable classrooms elementary students have been in for the last several years, so we must know how many students will be in our main buildings for the start of school. Getting proofs of residence will allow us to make data-driven decisions for all of our families and our staff as we start the new school year.

As we move closer to the beginning of the new school year, I am very excited and honored to report that the three new elementary schools that were approved by voters in the 2012 bond election will open their doors to more than 2,000 students. Ralph Bunche Elementary School, Barbara Yarbrough Elementary School and Barbara Fasken Elementary School are scheduled to open for the first day of school on Aug. 26, and all three will be completed underbudget.

There have been many challenges during the build phase of these three new elementary schools, but all of the hard work has produced buildings that will serve Midland children for decades. We are going to have formal ribbon-cutting ceremonies for each of the three buildings, and I know parents, caregivers, students and community members are very excited to see the new campuses.

For that reason, let me give everyone a rundown on the progress we've made as we get ready for the beginning of school. In relation to the new Bunche Elementary School, the building is practically ready for move in. We have already placed most of the furniture in the building, and our contractors are finishing cleanup activities this week. We are working with the city to obtain final occupancy permits, and we should be certified to staff the school this week. The school district owes a large amount of gratitude to the city leaders for their cooperation and work to make sure our buildings are safe and ready for children and adults alike.

All parts of the building will be fully functional and ready for students to attend on Aug. 26. Our staff members, parents and caregivers, and our students will see workers still on campus over the next several weeks completing landscaping activities, but work inside the building should be negligible.

The work has been slower at the new westside campuses, but we are equally excited about the start of the school year for both Yarbrough Elementary and Fasken Elementary. The buildings are about two weeks behind Bunche in terms of being ready for the beginning of school. Working with Lee Lewis Builders and Parkhill, Smith and Cooper Architectural Firm, we estimate having the buildings ready for the certificate of occupancy and move-in on Aug. 18.

As with Bunche, we will still have workers on campus for several weeks to finish all of the work, but the buildings will be ready to begin school on Aug. 26. The principals of Bunche, Yarbrough and Fasken — Sha Burdsal, Jill Arthur and Lina Baiza, respectively — will be communicating with staff and parents of the new schools over the next two weeks, and we will make adjustments if need be if any other challenges arise.

Another important press release MISD issued last week regarded the district and campus ratings from the state. As I have reported before, all Texas school district and campuses must comply with literally dozens of different accountability systems from the state and from the federal government. The main academic accountability system in Texas at this time is a part of the new Texas Academic Performance Reports (TAPR) system.

All Texas public school students in grades three through 11 are required to take STAAR exams (State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness). The ratings school

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production has fallen from a peak of about 3.3 million barrels of oil per day in 2005 to less than 2.5 million barrels of oil per day in 2013, according to the International Energy Outlook 2014 released in September 2014. Forward-looking projections by the IEO show Mexico's oil production continuing to decline to about 1.8 million barrels of oil per day in 2025.

But people like Rinkenbach, President and CEO William Waggoner, and Chief Economic Analyst Gerardo Takiguchi are trying to be at the forefront of that foreign private investment push into previously untapped conventional and unconventional fields. The U.S. Energy Information Agency has estimated that Mexico could hold up to 13 billion barrels of shale oil resources.

Waggoner said Pemex has moved its operations primarily to shallow and mid-level offshore oil fields in the Gulf of Mexico, neglecting the onshore fields that his company now hopes to tap. Although he would not identify the fields by name, Waggoner said that they are located in the south of Mexico, which contains the Tampico-Misantla and Veracruz shale oil plays along the southern Gulf coast.

"We're talking to different operators, we're meeting with them, we're opening our doors to whomever might be interested in coming down to Mexico with us," Waggoner said. "These are really, really large lease plays, hundreds of thousands of acres that are available for these production plays."

The plunge in oil prices, which a year ago were more than double current prices of $44 a barrel for West Texas Intermediate, has forced many oil and gas exploration and production companies to slash capital expenditure budgets by 25 percent or more.

The Mexican government attempted to auction off 14 exploration blocks in the Gulf of Mexico in what was hailed by some as a historic milestone in the history of Mexico's oil industry. But the mid-July auction only awarded two contracts in what a Financial Times story described as having "fallen well short of expectations."

While some have seen the low commodity prices as a curse, Waggoner sees them as an opportunity to capitalize on Mexico's oil.

"When prices started to drop, a lot of people went, 'Oh no.' We went, 'That's fine for us,'" Waggoner said. "We're well-situated for making a healthy profit margin at low oil prices. It does give us lower service costs, a better labor pool both from management all the way to a roustabout. We really do get a bunch of folks who are unemployed looking for something to do, and Mexico is now opened up for those people."

Rinkenbach added that, compared to American oil production, which has tapped out most of its conventional oil plays, Mexico's onshore production has been left alone for the most part by Pemex. This gives Mexican fields a price advantage over American regions.

"Here in the States during the last 50 years you have been depleting conventional, and right now you're in unconventional plays," he said.

"That's exactly what is not happening in Mexico. In Mexico, you have both of them. Even though a price of $45, it's a business in Mexico because we can produce in conventional at $6 a barrel. That's an issue in the States but not in Mexico."

The company is also pulling in expertise from around the Latin American oil industry. Waggoner, who is a third-generation oilman himself from New Mexico, is on the executive side along with Luis Vielma Lobo, the chairman of the board and former general director of the E&P business of PDVSA, Venezuela's National Oil Company. Waggoner also hopes to pull in expertise from the ground in Mexico, where Pemex's withdraw to mainly offshore work has left a lot of people looking for a job.

"Those people who were working for PEMEX onshore, a lot of them are without jobs. A lot of those guys are really well-qualified, hardworking folks. So we've got a labor force down there, as well," he said.

Rinkenbach believes that these harder times are the right moment for Mexico to revolutionize shale plays.

"You don't make breakthroughs when the prices are high," he said. "You make it when they are low. If you look at the history of the U.S. when they did this miracle about shale, it wasn't during the last 10 years. They started doing it in the 80s and the 90s when the price of oil was at the lowest point, and that's why it became so successful for the exploitation of shale 10 years later."

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to Warren.

"Because we have to have verification about the new zones, it may be the day before or the day of or the day after school starts before we know how many kids are going to be in each classroom," Warren said Friday. "We just have to be very careful this year because we have to make sure all of our buildings are staffed appropriately and we don't overpopulate kids because of transfers."

Parents usually receive an answer to their transfer request in late July or early August.

Warren described this predicament as a "one-year anomaly" because, after this year, the school district should have an accurate estimation for how many students each school will have per classroom.

"This is a one-year issue because of the attendance zone changes," Warren said. "Hopefully we will go back to the normal process of OK'ing transfers after everyone has been in these new zones a year and have solidified them."

State law mandates that the teacher-to-student ratio cannot be more than 1:22 or the district must file a waiver request with the state. Warren said that he might not be able to grant transfers if doing so would violate the state mandate.

"We can place (students) in schools we have room for," Warren said. "We did a lot of demographic studies to draw these (new attendance zone) lines, but we have to see in writing where the parents live and how they apply to these new zones."

Parents can submit a transfer request if their child attended a Public Education Grant Program Campus — a school that has passing rates on the State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness, less than or equal to 50 percent in any two of the three preceding years. The school also is a PEG Program campus if it received an "improvement required" rating in 2013 or 2014 under the state accountability system.

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Survey finds Americans work longer but still find time to play

THE ECONOMIST



By M. Ray Perryman

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics recently released its annual American Time Use Survey, which looks at how Americans spend their time. On average, the civilian population spends 8.8 hours sleeping, 2.8 hours watching TV and 1.8 hours on household activities such as cooking, cleaning and yardwork. Of course, a large chunk of time for employed persons was work, with an average of 7.8 hours spent on the job on workdays.

BLS data also indicates that Americans are working from home more frequently. From 2003 to 2014, BLS data indicates that the proportion of employed persons who did some or all of their work at home (on days they worked) increased from 19 percent to 23 percent. The amount of time spent working at home is also increasing, up by 37 minutes since 2003 to reach 3.2 hours.

Men tend to work longer hours than women. In fact, on days they worked, employed men worked 52 minutes more than employed women. Part of the difference is due to the higher proportion of women choosing to work part time. However, even if you look at full-time workers only, men still tend to work longer than women, with 8.4 hours compared to 7.8 hours. (This is part of the explanation for the gender wage gap.)

Looking at work hours by occupation, farming, fishing and forestry involved the longest hours by a wide margin with 9.9 per day. Installation, maintenance, and repair; production, construction and extraction; and transportation and material moving all involved typical workdays in excess of eight hours. The shortest typical workdays were in service, professional and related and sales and related occupational groups.

Educational attainment also plays a role in typical hours. The longest average hours of work was 8.24 for people with some college or an associate degree, followed by high school graduates with no college at 8.08. Those with less than a high school diploma averaged 7.84 hours, while individuals with a bachelor's degree and higher came in at 7.50 hours. (Note that these averages from the BLS are for employed persons for working days.)

While more education is generally linked to fewer hours, higher wages are linked to longer hours. Peter Kuhn and Fernando Lozano looked at connections between hours worked, education and income in a National Bureau of Economic Research working paper (The Expanding Workweek: Understanding Trends in Long Work Hours Among U.S. Men, 1979-2004 Working Paper No. 11895). They found that for college-educated men, the proportion working 50 hours or more climbed from 22.2 percent in 1979 to 30.5 percent in 2002. The frequency of long work hours increased among the top quintile of wage earners, but fell in the lowest quintile. In addition, Kuhn and Lozano found that there has been a reversal in the relationship between wages and hours. In 1983, the lowest earning 20 percent of workers were more likely to put in long work hours than the top paid 20 percent. However, in 2002, the best-paid 20 percent were twice as likely to work long hours as the bottom 20 percent.

When comparing U.S. patterns to other countries, data from the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) shows that working Americans tend to work more hours than people in many other highly industrialized countries. Moreover, while some nations have seen hours worked per year trending sharply downward (due to both shorter workdays and more vacation time), the U.S. has been fairly flat.

Although work naturally takes up a large segment of time for employed persons, the BLS time-use survey found that on an average day, nearly everyone age 15 and over (a full 96 percent) did find time to engage in some sort of leisure activity such as watching TV, socializing, or exercising.

The American workday is changing, with more time spent working at home and high-income jobs increasingly more likely to require longer hours. Even so, we find time to play, or at least watch a little television.

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Income from side job could help bridge financial gap

ASK DAVE



Dave Ramsey, financial expert

DEAR DAVE: My wife and I are thinking about selling our home. I was recently let go from the military due to downsizing, and I've begun a job in real estate, but things are starting slowly. My wife brings home about $3,500 a month as a teacher, and the only debt we have is our house payment of $1,616 a month. I was given a $35,000 severance package, but we need some advice to help bridge the financial gap. Any ideas? — Erik

DEAR ERIK: Having little or no income is a lot harder than a variable income situation. Your wife is bringing home good money, but at the moment your house payment is almost half that amount. Are there some things you can do on the side while you're getting your real estate business going that will create income? If you could make even $1,000 to $2,000 a month, it would change the picture entirely. You guys would be able to keep your home and have a little breathing room while you get your real estate career off the ground.

Looking at it from a long-term perspective, if you're selling a bunch of houses a year or two from now, you're in the clear. You could easily stay in the house. But if you don't find extra income while you build your business, if you're not willing to work extra hard and sacrifice in the meantime — even if it means just delivering pizzas — then you probably need to sell the house.

It takes about six to nine months to start making a living in the residential real estate business. So look at it this way: the more houses you sell, the less time you spend delivering pizzas. All this really hinges on is how badly you want a career in real estate and how much you guys want to keep your home. If you want it enough, you'll do what it takes to get there. And for the time being that's going to mean supplementing your income with something on the side while you grow your real estate business.

DEAR DAVE: We've made an offer on a house we really like through a first-time buyers program. Now, after looking over our budget and debts again, my wife and I are having second thoughts. We haven't signed or turned in any paperwork yet. What do you think we should do? — Craig

DEAR CRAIG: I wouldn't go through with the deal. I advise people to be debt-free before buying a home, because you want a home to be a blessing, not a curse.

Homeownership when you're broke is never a good idea. And basically, that's the situation you're describing. You have debt, and you're trying to squeak into something with a first-time buyers plan. The translation? You have no money. Everything that can go wrong will go wrong. That's Murphy's Law, and he'll move into your spare bedroom along with his three cousins — Broke, Desperate and Stupid.

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US economy adds 215K jobs and moves Fed closer to rate hike

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The U.S. job market just demonstrated that it may be nearing full health more than six years after the Great Recession — and showed why the Federal Reserve may be about to raise interest rates from record lows.

July marked the latest month in a streak of solid hiring, with employers adding 215,000 jobs and the unemployment rate holding at a relatively low 5.3 percent, the government said Friday.

Monthly job growth has averaged 211,286 so far this year, a level suggesting that employers are confident the economy will continue to expand and require more workers in the coming months and years. The government also said employers added a total of 14,000 more jobs in May and June than previously estimated.

"Another solid jobs report suggests the economy is gaining strength and keeps the Fed on track to raise rates as early as the next meeting," in September, Sal Guatieri, a senior economist at BMO Capital Markets, said in a research note.

The Fed has held its key short-term rate near zero since the financial crisis of 2008 to try to energize borrowing, investing and spending. But now the Fed is close to concluding that the economy is strong enough to withstand higher rates.

Still, many Americans remain anxious about the modest recovery. The economy's overall growth rate has remained lackluster at an annualized pace of 1.5 percent in the first half of the year, and pay raises have been sluggish, with average hourly earnings in July up just 2.1 percent from a year earlier.

Some of those misgivings were on display Thursday night at the first Republican presidential debate, where the candidates talked of simplifying the tax code, slashing regulations and easing the pressures on American workers resulting from immigration and global trade.

"The jobs that once sustained our middle class — they either don't pay enough or they are gone," said Florida Sen. Marco Rubio, offering a perspective shared by many Democrats as well.

Companies are laying off fewer and fewer workers, with the monthly average of people seeking unemployment benefits near a 15-year low. At the same time, roughly 8.3 million Americans are looking for work, and many others have given up.

Since the recession began in late 2007, 14.5 million people have left the job market, either abandoning their search for work, choosing to retire or staying in school longer. The result is that the share of adults working has fallen to 59.3 percent, the lowest level in 31 years.

KNOCKOUT

From 1A

in Texas when it posted average rents of $1,310 and $1,520 for one- and two-bedroom apartments respectively, according to a previous article. However, even in January, rents had already begun declining month-to-month by upwards of 2 percent.

The rental market in Midland has been affected by low oil prices, with many people in the oilfield leaving the area or moving into houses. Apartments are now offering move-in specials such as free first month's rent and have lowered rents significantly, some by as much as $400, according to a previous report.

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WARREN

From 2A

districts and individual campuses receive are driven by the scores students earn on these exams. The system mandates districts and campuses receive one of two different ratings. If all mandated academic indicators are met, the district/campus receives the rating of "met standard." If all mandated academic indicators are not met, the district/campus receives the rating of "improvement required."

The required academic indicators students, campuses, and districts must meet are spread over four different areas, or indexes. The Texas academic indexes are as follows:

■ **Index 1 is student achievement**

This means that a prescribed number of students for the campuses and for the district as a whole must pass the STAAR tests based on a predetermined score.

■ **Index 2 is student progress**

This means that all students, no matter if they passed or failed the STAAR tests in any given year, must meet or exceed progress based on previous year performance.

■ **Index 3 is closing achievement gaps**

This means the district and the campuses must show that groups of students that represent the largest minority groups and/or low-socioeconomic groups must show greater improvement than our white and/or non low-socioeconomic students

■ **Index 4 is postsecondary readiness**

This means students must answer correctly certain questions embedded in the STAAR tests (beginning with third-grade exams) that gauge a student's ability to be successful in a postsecondary setting, whether that be college or workforce. In addition to Postsecondary Readiness, our high schools are also measured on graduation rates and diploma types.

To obtain a satisfactory rating this year, Texas public school district and campuses had to meet the minimum point requirements in either Index 1 or 2, and districts and campuses had to meet minimum point requirements in both Index 3 and 4.

As a school district, MISD saw the following in relation to the Texas academic ratings system:

■ Midland ISD received the district rating of "met standard." We met all of the index requirements this year.

■ Twenty-four schools received the campus rating of "met standard."

■ Eleven schools received the campus rating of "improvement required."

■ Of these 11 schools, one campus was a secondary school (Alamo Junior High School), and 10 were elementary campuses (Bonham, Burnet, Crockett, DeZavala, Lamar, Long, Milam, Rusk, South and Travis)

The press release issued by the district went on to explain that very specific academic interventions are already in place for the schools rated as IR. In the coming weeks, I am going to go into more detail about MISD's academic challenges in relation to both the state's accountability requirements, but more so about the expectations of our district's parents, caregivers and community members. There are going to be several exciting changes and initiatives in our district, and some of these have already begun.

I am very proud of this district and every campus within it, but we are nowhere near the standards that pervades our community as a whole. Learning is taking place on every one of our campuses, but all of our students are not being successful on our state assessment, and this has been the case for a very long time in Midland. And in addition to that, most parents do not gauge total success on just the state's definition, so we must also come up to those standards as well. I look forward to having this conversation with the community in the coming weeks to report on the initiatives and our progress.

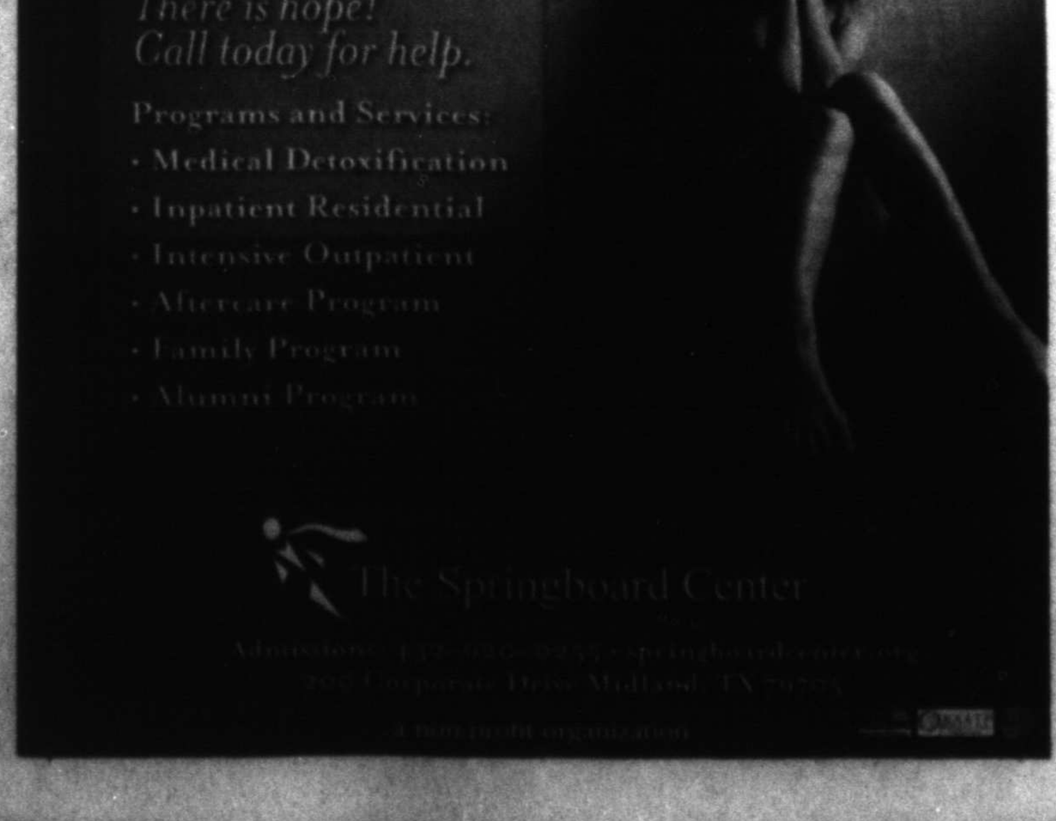
Thank you for the support of our schools and our children. If anyone has questions regarding anything in this week's article, please do not hesitate to contact me at ryder.warren@midlandisd.net. I will do my best to reply back in a timely manner.

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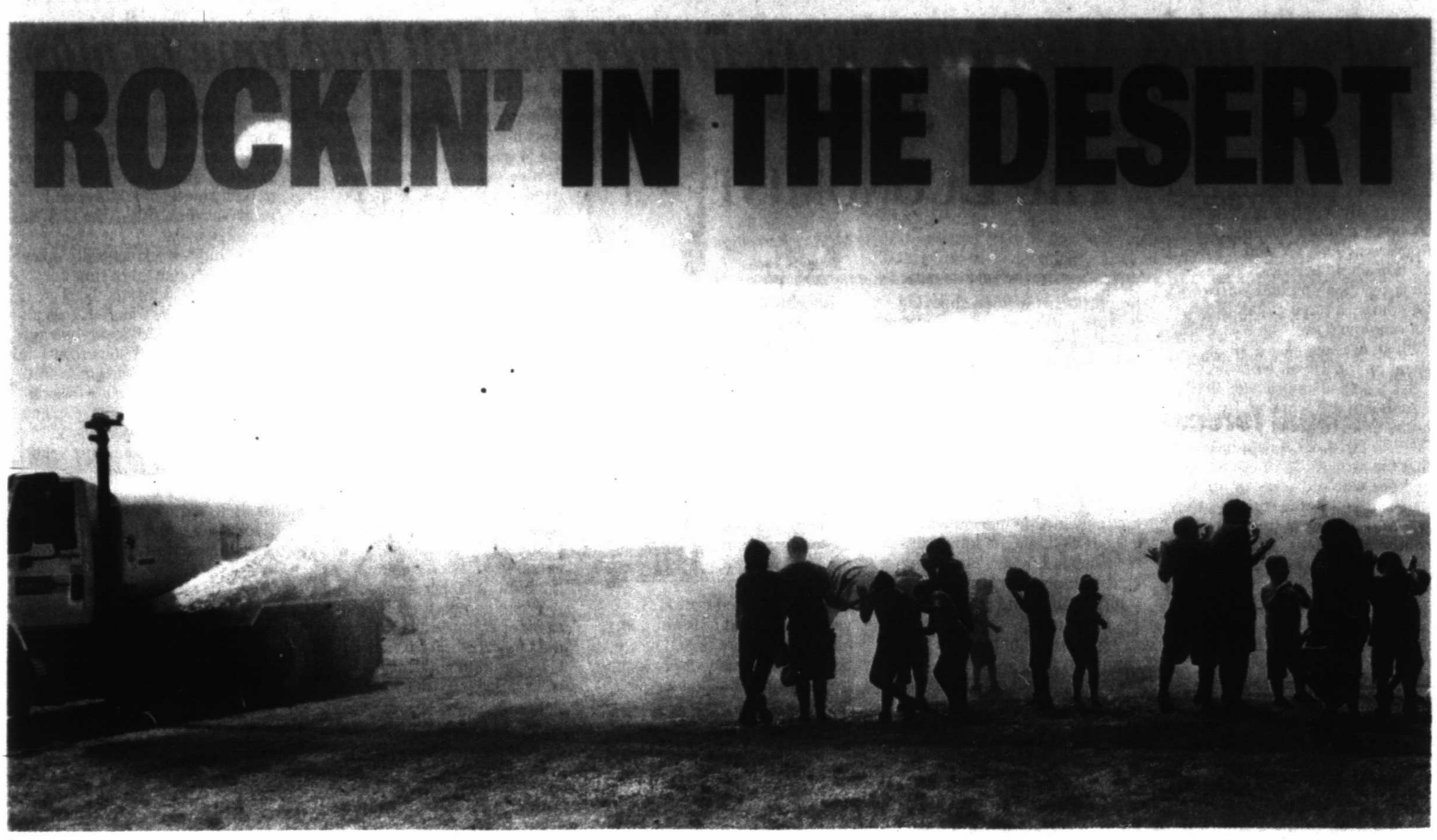
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1607 N. FM 1788	Commercial Alteration
1811 E. I-20	Commercial Alteration
4315 Neely Ave.	Commercial Alteration
410 E. Gist Ave.	MH-Single Lot
7001 Ridgeboro Court	Swimming Pool
4116 Timberglen Circle	Swimming Pool
4008 Edgebrook Drive	Swimming Pool
2505 Homeland Drive	New Residence
4006 Heritage Oaks Drive	New Residence
5400 Secretariat St.	New Residence
7005 Chadwick Court	Residential Alteration
912 Carbondale Court	Residential Addition
2810 Boardwalk Ave.	New Residence
2808 Boardwalk Ave.	New Residence
2900 Boardwalk Ave.	New Residence
6000 Frio Drive	New Residence
1501 Washita	Residential Addition
1802 W. Ohio Ave.	New Residence
5707 San Miguel Ave.	New Residence
1605 San Francisco Ave.	New Residence
6407 Vanguard Road	New Residence
6508 Hall of Fame Blvd.	New Residence
1604 W. Texas Ave.	Residential Alteration
4405 Llano Court	New Residence
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6716 Cowboy Drive	New Residence
6704 Cowboy Drive	New Residence
6722 Cowboy Drive	New Residence
1115 Andrews Highway	Sign
3800 Norwood	Sign
4410 N. Midkiff Road A-10	Sign

Source: City of Midland



ROCKIN' IN THE DESERT



A water truck from Warren CAT of Odessa was on grounds to cool off attendees during Rock The Desert on Saturday. Eventgoers also took part in various activities and were treated to a performance by Christian musician OBB. Representatives from China Aid also spoke during the festival, and skaters got a chance to show their moves in the Rock The Desert skatepark.

Photos by James Durbin | Reporter-Telegram













TODAYINMIDLAND

Things to do

Today

■ Old Miners Maze family amusement park, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. and 5 p.m.-10 p.m. oldminersmaze.com.

■ Camila, 7 p.m. at Hacienda Event Center. haciendamidland.com.

■ Jumping Giants at Summer Sunday Lawn Concerts, 7:30 p.m. at Museum of the Southwest. museumsw.org.

■ Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey's Built To Amaze at Ector County Coliseum. ringling.com.

Tuesday

■ Whitesnake, 8 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

Thursday

■ Improv at the Yucca, 8 p.m., Yucca Theatre. mclmidland.org.

Friday

■ Summer Science Class "Splash Into Science," 9 a.m.-noon, Petroleum Museum. petroleummuseum.org.

■ BJ Thomas, 8 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

Meetings this week

■ **Commissioners' Court**
9 a.m. Monday
Midland County Courthouse auxiliary courtroom.
500 N. Loraine Ave.

■ **MISD board**
5:30 p.m. Monday
First floor boardroom
615 W. Missouri Ave.

■ **City Council**
10 a.m. Tuesday
Council Chambers City Hall
300 N. Loraine Ave.

Building demolition

Demolition will start Monday on vacant, city-owned properties. The Mid-America Building, 310 W. Illinois Ave., Midland Executive Center, 301 N. Colorado St., and the old county courthouse on Wall Street will be demolished one at a time. The Mid-America Building demolition will start Monday, Midland Executive Center on Aug. 21 and the old courthouse in mid- to late September.

To allow for demolition of the Midland Executive Center, multiple lanes will be closed, and traffic will be restricted on northbound Big Spring Street from 9 p.m. Aug. 21 through 5 a.m. Aug. 24, according to a press release from the city.

MCRW to meet

Midland County Republican Women will meet 11:15 a.m. Wednesday at Midland Country Club. Speakers are to be Heidi Cruz, wife of U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz, and state Rep. Tom Craddick.

Luncheon tickets are $20 in advance and $25 at the door. To RSVP, call 520-3500 or email mcrwmom@mcrw.us. For more information, visit www.mcrw.us.

Support group and club meetings today

■ ODESSA — Tourettes syndrome support group, 2 p.m., Neuroscience Institute, 3810 22nd St.; Pam Weeks, 806-638-6801, pzweeks@yahoo.com, or Rene Howell, 806-549-7788.

■ Overeaters Anonymous, 4:30 p.m., B&J Plaza, 208 N. Midkiff Road, Suite 1-D; 553-1031.

Pools hours today

■ Doug Russell Aquatic Center, 900 N. Midland Drive, 1-7 p.m.

■ Washington Aquatic Center, 1601 E. Indiana Ave., 1-7 p.m.

■ Pools' last day for the season is Aug. 16.

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 7-5-4
Pick 3 day: 5-0-9
Pick 3 evening: 9-9-2
Pick 3 night: 1-9-0
Daily 4 morning: 8-8-7-9
Daily 4 day: 1-5-9-8
Daily 4 evening: 8-1-2-4
Daily 4 night: 7-0-5-4
Cash Five: 6-24-25-32-35
Lotto Texas: 8-21-33-37-42-49
Powerball: 9-34-48-52-54 PB: 15
Power Play: 4
All or Nothing morning: 1-5-6-8-9-10-13-15-16-19-20-23
All or Nothing day: 1-2-3-4-7-11-14-15-16-18-21-22
All or Nothing evening: 1-2-5-7-9-11-16-17-19-20-21-24
All or Nothing night: 3-7-9-11-12-14-15-16-17-20-21-24

Today in history

Today is Sunday, August 9, the 221st day of 2015. There are 144 days left in the year.

Today's highlight

On August 9, 1945, three days after the atomic bombing of Hiroshima, Japan, the United States exploded a nuclear device over Nagasaki, killing an estimated 74,000 people.

On this date:

In 1936, Jesse Owens won his fourth gold medal at the Berlin Olympics as the United States took first place in the 400-meter relay.

In 1969, actress Sharon Tate and four other people were found brutally slain at Tate's Los Angeles home; cult leader Charles Manson and a group of his followers were later convicted of the crime.

In 1982, a federal judge in Washington ordered John W. Hinckley Jr., who'd been acquitted of shooting President Ronald Reagan and three others by reason of insanity, committed to a mental hospital.

One year ago: Michael Brown Jr., an unarmed 18-year-old black man, was shot to death by a police officer following an altercation in Ferguson, Missouri; Brown's death led to sometimes-violent protests in Ferguson and other U.S. cities.

Today's birthdays: College Football Hall of Famer and former NFL player Doug Williams is 60. Hockey Hall of Famer Brett Hull is 51.

TODAY: Sunny	MONDAY: Sunny	TUESDAY: Sunny	WEDNESDAY: Mostly sunny	THURSDAY: Mostly sunny	FRIDAY: Mostly sunny
High: 103 Low: 75	High: 103 Low: 74	High: 100 Low: 75	High: 99 Low: 74	High: 100 Low: 75	High: 100 Low: 75

Local forecast

The National Weather Service is calling for the run of 100-degree days to continue until at least Wednesday. This is no rain in the NWS' seven-day forecast.

The record high for Aug. 8 is 105 set in 2011. The record low is 54 set in 1989. On Aug. 8 of last year, the high was 100 and the low was 75.

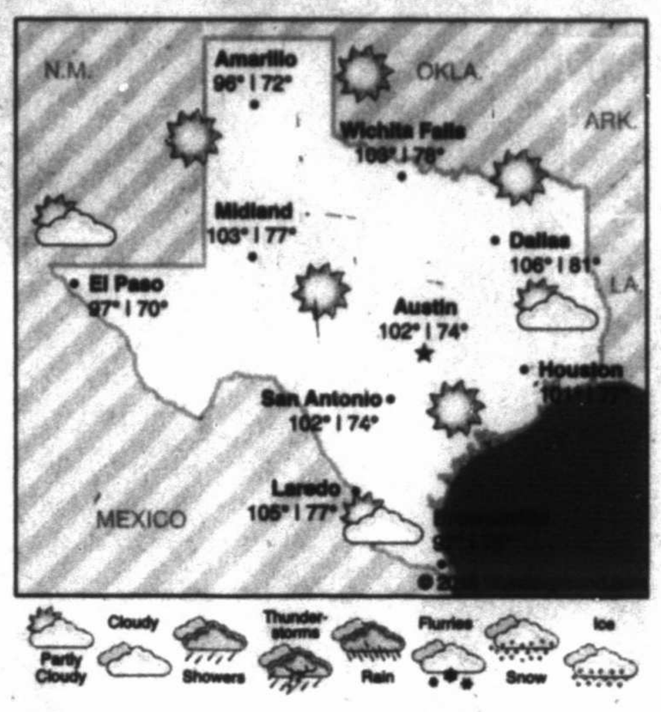
National forecast

FROM WIRE REPORTS

The U.S. West was once again a land of extremes in July. From Alaska to the Pacific Northwest, July was unusually hot, with some spots recording daily and monthly heat records, while other parts of California got a rare deluge.

The heat across much of the West has done no favors for the deep drought and has helped to fuel a surge in wildfires, which have raged across Alaska, the Pacific Northwest and Northern California in recent weeks.

A deeper dive into data released Friday by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration showed that both Oregon and Washington were record warm from January through July, while Alaska and California have had their second-warmest year to date.



Precipitation

Friday	0.00 in.
Saturday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.05 in.
Year total	13.05 in.
Normal total (year to date)	8.35 in.

Saturday's temperatures

High	103
Low	76
Normal high	95
Normal low	70
Sunrise	7:09 a.m.
Sunset	8:39 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Sunday, Aug. 9



China hit by typhoon after 10 dead or missing in Taiwan

Associated Press

BEIJING — A typhoon was pounding southeast China late Saturday, leaving more than a million homes without power after lashing Taiwan, where it downed trees, traffic lights and power lines, and left six people dead and four missing.

Typhoon Soudelor hit the city of Putian in Fujian province late Saturday night and was expected to move across the region, China's official Xinhua News Agency reported.

The storm earlier caused more than 3 million households in Taiwan to lose electricity, with streets strewn with fallen trees. All 279 domestic flights on the island were canceled Saturday, as well as at least 37 international flights. At least 101 people were injured in the storm.

An 8-year-old girl and her mother died when they were swept out to sea Thursday from a beach on the east coast, Taiwan's official Central News Agency reported. The girl's twin sister remains missing.

Other casualties included a firefighter who was killed and another injured after being hit by a drunken driver as they attempted to move a fallen tree in the island's south.

The center of the storm made landfall in eastern Taiwan before daybreak Saturday. By mid-morning, Soudelor was packing maximum sustained winds of 100 miles per hour, Taiwan's Central Weather Bureau said.

The typhoon weakened later Saturday with top winds of up to 89 mph while moving away from the island in a northwesterly direction.

Strong winds and heavy rains were expected to continue in Taiwan.

Authorities in southeast China evacuated about 163,000 people and ordered around 32,000 ships back to port ahead of the typhoon, Xinhua reported. More than 7,000 soldiers and police were on standby, provincial authorities said.

The provincial capital of Fuzhou was being battered by heavy rain and strong winds, and all flights to the city were canceled, Xinhua said. The neighboring province of Jiangxi also issued a typhoon alert.

Heavy rains were forecast through Sunday morning in the northern part of Fujian.

Even before the storm made landfall, strong winds caused power outages to more than 1.41 million household in the province, Xinhua said.



In this image released by the New Taipei Fire Department, emergency rescue personnel carry a child through a flash mudslide caused by Typhoon Soudelor in Xindian, New Taipei City, northern Taiwan on Saturday. At least four people were killed and four were missing when powerful Typhoon Soudelor slammed into Taiwan, authorities said Saturday. ***New Taipei Fire Department via AP***

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Sisters Jill Totenberg, left, Nina Totenberg, center, and Amy Totenberg pose for pictures with the recovered Ames Stradivarius violin during a news conference in New York on Thursday. The instrument was stolen from their father, renowned violinist Roman Totenberg, 35 years ago when he left his beloved Stradivarius in his office while greeting well-wishers after a concert in 1980. According to court documents, a woman voluntarily returned the violin to the Totenberg family and told investigators she did not know it was stolen.

Stolen Stradivarius violin is recovered after 35 years

By Ben Nuckols
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Renowned violinist Roman Totenberg left his beloved Stradivarius in his office while greeting well-wishers after a concert in 1980. When he returned, it was gone.

Its case was later found in the basement of the Longy School of Music in Cambridge, Massachusetts, where he taught. But Totenberg, who died three years ago at age 101, never saw the instrument again.

Totenberg thought he knew who stole the violin, but there was never enough evidence to pursue a suspect.

The trail went cold until this June, when his eldest daughter, Nina Totenberg, got a phone call from an FBI agent.

The agent said he was looking at the violin, which was in federal custody.

"I really could hardly believe it at the time," Nina Totenberg, the legal affairs correspondent for NPR, told The Associated Press in an interview Wednesday. "I said, 'I have to call my sisters. I'll tell them not to get their hopes up,' but he said, 'You don't have to do that. This is the violin.'"

The violin, known as the Ames Stradivarius, was made in Italy in 1734 by Antonio Stradivari and is one of roughly 550 Stradivarius instruments known to exist. They can fetch millions of dollars at auction, including a record $15.9 million in 2011.

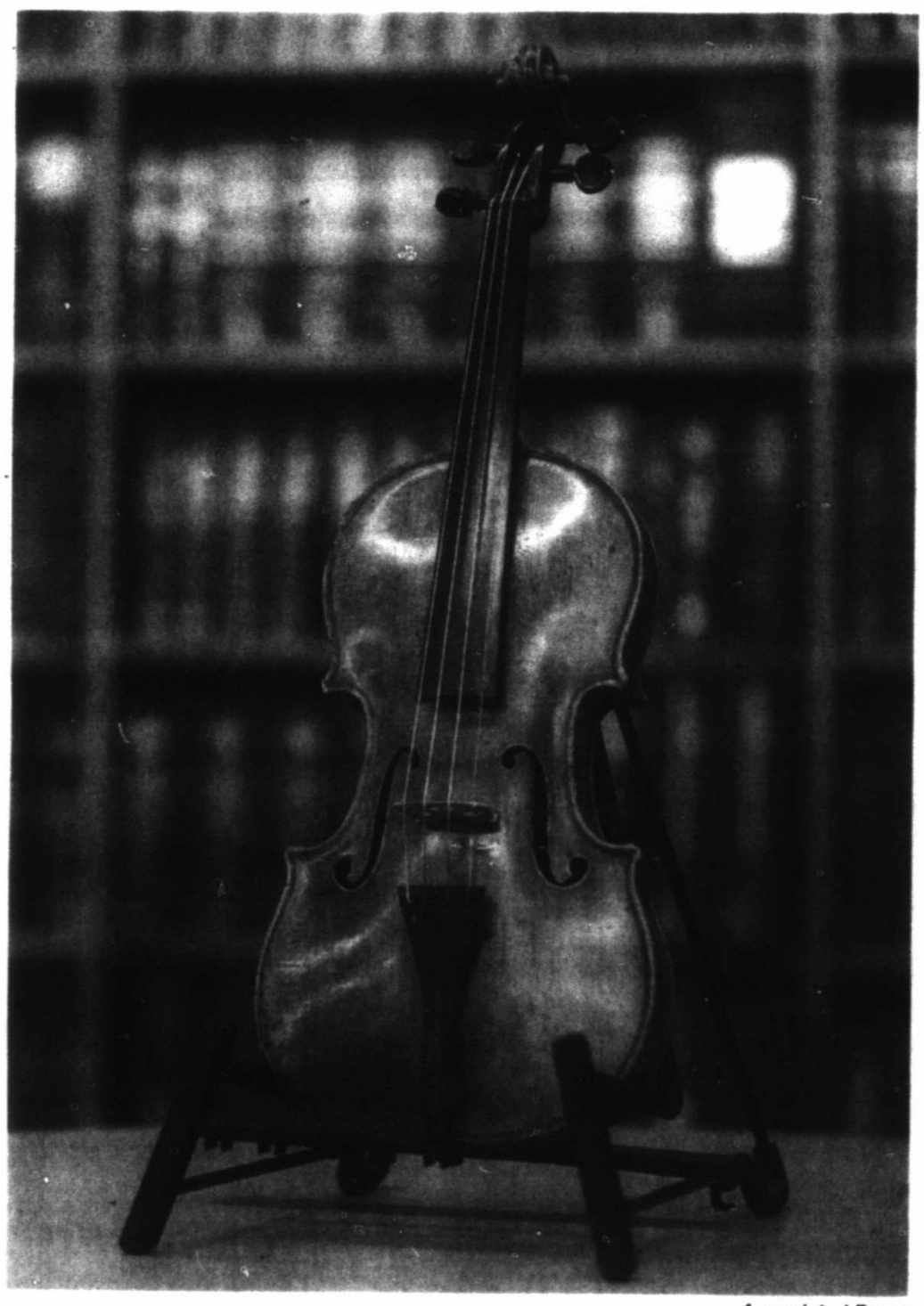
The violin surfaced in June when a woman brought it to New York to have it appraised. The appraiser, Phillip Injeian, immediately contacted authorities. He said the violin has characteristic markings on the wood grain that are "like a fingerprint."

"It's really one of a kind," Injeian said Thursday at a news conference in Manhattan, where authorities announced the recovery of the violin. "When I saw this one, it was a Eureka moment."

The woman who sought the appraisal is the former wife of Philip S. Johnson, who died in California in 2011. She declined to comment to The Associated Press and asked that her name not be published. She has not been accused of any wrongdoing.

According to court documents, the woman voluntarily returned the violin to the Totenberg family and told investigators she did not know it was stolen. It had been stored for many years in a case with a combination lock. U.S. Attorney Preet Bharara said Thursday that there was "no open investigation" related to the violin's disappearance.

Johnson's obituary described him as "a noted violinist of 40 years" but did not detail where or for whom he played. Totenberg said he was an aspiring violinist seen around her father's office at the time of the theft.



Associated Press

An Ames Stradivarius violin is displayed during a news conference in New York, Thursday.

Totenberg said that, lacking evidence, police weren't able to obtain a warrant to search for the Stradivarius.

"There was nothing to be done, and eventually he just moved on and bought another violin and lived the rest of his life," she said.

A child prodigy in his native Poland, Roman Totenberg bought the Stradivarius in 1943 for $15,000 — more than $200,000 in today's dollars — and it was the only instrument he performed with until it was stolen. He kept performing into his 90s and taught at Boston University until he died.

"This loss for my father was, as he said when it happened, it was like losing an arm," said daughter Jill Totenberg, a public relations executive in New York. "To have it come back, three years after he died, to us, it's like having him come alive again."

The story of its theft and recovery is not uncommon for Stradivarius instruments, which are virtually impossible to sell on the black market. Injeian said there are about 20 Stradivarius instruments currently known to be stolen.

"The things are very valuable, they're very portable and they are appealing, tempting to steal, and there are famous cases of violins that were stolen and remained stolen for many years," said David Schoenbaum, a retired history professor and author of a book on the violin. "It's terribly hard to get rid of one."

Another famous Stradivarius, the Gibson, was stolen in 1936, and the thief, a journeyman violinist, confessed on his deathbed in 1985. It's now owned by violinist Joshua Bell.

A Stradivarius violin belonging to Erika Morini was stolen from her New York apartment in 1995 by someone who had a key to the locked bedroom closet where she kept it. Morini wasn't told about the theft before she died weeks later. The instrument has never been found.

The Ames Stradivarius had wear-and-tear that indicated it hadn't been professionally maintained, but it was in pretty good shape overall, suggesting it hadn t been played much, Nina Totenberg said.

She said the family plans to sell the violin, but not to a collector.

"I'm just glad that the violin, once it's restored to its full potential again, will eventually be in the hands of another great artist," she said, "and its gorgeous voice will be heard in concert halls around the country."

With Boston heist suspects dead, FBI focuses on finding art

By Rodrique Ngowi and William J. Kole
Associated Press

BOSTON — With the two men suspected of robbing a museum of $500 million worth of artwork in 1990 now dead, investigators say they are focused on one thing — finding the missing masterpieces.

Peter Kowenhoven, the FBI's assistant special agent in charge in Boston, said "all our investigative efforts are being guided toward the recovery" of the 13 works stolen from Boston's Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, including paintings by Rembrandt, Vermeer and Degas.

"The focus of the investigation for many years was: Who did this heist? And we have through the great investigative work identified who did this heist, and both those individuals are deceased," Kowenhoven told The Associated Press. "So now the focus of the investigation is the recovery of the art."

He declined to identify the men.

On Thursday, authorities released grainy surveillance video from the eve of the heist and appealed anew to the public for help in finding the artworks.

The low-resolution video — captured by museum security cameras — shows a security guard appearing to hit an intercom button, then to grant access to a man who can be seen in the museum's reception area at about 12:49 a.m. on March 17, 1990, almost exactly 24 hours before the heist.

The man is also seen getting out of a car matching the general description of one reported to be parked outside the museum minutes before the theft.

A $5 million reward has been offered by the museum for information that leads to the recovery of the stolen artwork in good condition.

"Every lead, every tip, everything that comes in, we're tracking down, no matter where it is in the area, in the country or overseas," Kowenhoven said. "These are cultural masterpieces that we are trying to recover."

Authorities have said that, on March 18, 1990, two men dressed in Boston police uniforms gained entrance to the museum by telling the security guard at the watch desk that they were responding to a report of a disturbance.

In 2013, authorities said the robbers belonged to a criminal organization based in New England and the mid-Atlantic states and took the art to Connecticut and the Philadelphia region in the years after the theft. They were offered for sale in Philadelphia about a decade ago and have not been seen since, the FBI said at the time.

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2 iconic New England lighthouses are back in the spotlight

By Philip Marcelo
Associated Press

BOSTON — Two beacons that guided New England mariners past treacherous shoals for generations are back in the spotlight.

The Nantucket Lightship, billed as America's oldest and largest floating lighthouse, switches on its powerful beacon for the first time in 40 years in Boston Harbor on Friday evening.

Iconic Gay Head Light on Martha's Vineyard is expected to follow suit Tuesday, with supporters holding a ceremony after the 160-year-old light completed its painstaking move from the edge of eroding cliff on May 30.

"It's always exciting to hear about the relighting of a lighthouse," said James Hyland, president of the New Hampshire-based advocacy group the Lighthouse Preservation Society. "To relight a darkened lighthouse tower is rather like breathing life into a human body that needs to be resuscitated. The glow comes back, and once again, all is well."

Friday's lighting in Boston Harbor is expected to be brief. The beacon is to be lit for about two minutes and the foghorn sounded before it's all powered down again. The ship's 500,000-candlepower main beam is designed to be seen for 23 miles and affects nearby Logan International Airport.

Robert Mannino Jr., head of the nonprofit that's restoring the Nantucket Lightship, says the lightship, which is no longer a navigational aid and operates as a museum, received special permission for the one-time event, which marks a $250,000 investment by American Express to bring the ship's light, foghorn and radio beacon back to working order.



AP file photo

Workers move the Gay Head Light from its original footing (at center between the rails) in Aquinnah, Mass., on the island of Martha's Vineyard in this May 28 file photo. The 160-year-old lighthouse was slowly moved on rails to a new home about 135 feet further inland, away from a rapidly-eroding cliffside. A relighting ceremony is scheduled for Tuesday after lighthouse was anchored at its new location.

Built in 1936 and decommissioned in 1975, the Nantucket Lightship stood sentry about 100 miles off mainland Massachusetts, warning ships of the treacherous shoals off Nantucket island.

Mannino said the lightship, which was one of a dozen that served along Nantucket Shoals over the years, was nicknamed the "Statue of Liberty of the Sea" because it was the first landmark seen by ships coming from Europe to the east coast of the United States.

It was one of 179 lightships the U.S. Coast Guard stationed in places it was impractical or infeasible to build a permanent beacon. Lightships operated from 1820 to 1983 and were eventually replaced by more basic navigational aids as onboard ship technology improved. Just 17 remain in existence; nine of them operate as museums, like the Nantucket Lightship.

Mannino's all-volunteer nonprofit took ownership in 2009 and has been restoring the over 1,000-ton ship since. The restoration is about 50 percent done, he said, but will require another $1.2 million to complete.

In contrast to Friday's brief illumination, Tuesday's lighting on Martha's Vineyard is hoped to be permanent.

The Gay Head lighthouse, which remains an important navigational tool along the resort island's famous coastline, had been considered one of the most endangered historic sites in the country because it sat just 46 feet from the cliff's edge.

Local advocates raised over $3 million to move the 52-foot-high, 400-ton structure, about 135 feet (41 meters) back. The process involved raising the structure a few feet off the ground and pushing it along steel rails using powerful hydraulic pistons. The inch-by-inch move took three days.

Tuesday's celebration features live music and speeches from local dignitaries. Organizers are even hoping to invite President Barack Obama, who arrives with his family on the island for their annual summer vacation Friday. They're staying the next town over, in Chilmark.

"It'll be a fun night, a much anticipated moment," said Len Butler, who headed the town committee overseeing the lighthouse move. "I'll feel like my job is complete when I see that light sweeping again."

NATIONBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

TENNESSEE

Dollywood theme park adding wood coaster said to be fastest

PIGEON FORGE— Dollywood has announced a new $22 million ride that the theme park says will be the world's fastest wooden roller coaster.

The eastern Tennessee park said the Lightning Rod, themed after a 1950s-era hot rod, should be ready for visitors in March 2016.

The Lighting Rod will launch riders up 20 stories from a standstill to 45 mph and riders will get 20 seconds of airtime along the 3,800-foot track. The park says the coaster will hit a top speed of 73 mph on a 165-foot drop.

The $22 million price tag marks the largest single investment in the Dollywood Co.'s history.

Entertainer Dolly Parton opened Dollywood in 1986 in Pigeon Forge near the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

NORTH CAROLINA

Fatally injured sea turtle may have been attacked by human

RALEIGH — An endangered loggerhead sea turtle that died after being found with a crushing head wound at a North Carolina national park may have been attacked by a person, authorities said Friday.

The young turtle was found alive by a park ranger at the Outer Banks' Cape Lookout National Seashore in late July, and was handed over to veterinarians from North Carolina State University to receive treatment.

But the turtle was later found unresponsive at the rehabilitation facility at the North Carolina Aquarium on Roanoke Island, and was given pain medication and allowed to die, according to a report by the Coastal Conservation Association.

The release said a veterinarian determined after the turtle's death the wound was likely caused by a hammer-like object while the 70-pound turtle was out of water.

Allyson Rogers, a spokeswoman for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, confirmed that authorities with the National Marine Fisheries Service are investigating the circumstances of the turtle's death.

Killing a species protected under the Endangered Species Act is punishable by fine up to $50,000 and a year in prison.

A $7,500 reward is being offered by the coastal association and other groups for information leading to an arrest.

PENNSYLVANIA

Dead Poets Society founder wraps up tour, visits 500th grave

YORK — A Maine man who travels the nation to document the final resting places of poets has completed a summer tour in which he visited his 500th grave.

Dead Poets Society of America founder Walter Skold wrapped up Friday at the graves of Philip Pendleton Cooke in Millwood, Virginia, and Marianne Moore in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. He visited his father's grave in York, Pennsylvania. He's heading back home to Freeport, Maine.

Most of his time was in the Deep South. He said he visited 97 graves over 70 days, bringing his total to 530.

He said the most memorable event was a memorial to four girls killed in a church bombing in 1963 in Birmingham, Alabama, where he read Dudley Randall's "Ballad of Birmingham."

The society's name was partly inspired by the 1989 Robin Williams movie "Dead Poets Society."

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This undated artist rendering provided by European Southern Observatory shows European Extremely Large Telescope in its enclosure on Cerro Armazones, a mountaintop in Chile's Atacama Desert. Astronomers carefully select locations to build these instruments, usually on remote mountaintops, so they can fully utilize the technology being used. There are currently three extremely large telescopes being planned, two in Chile and one on Hawaii's Mauna Kea, a dormant volcano where some Native Hawaiians have protested the project because it's being built on what they consider sacred land.

Q&A: A look at the science on Hawaii's Mauna Kea

By Caleb Jones
Associated Press

HONOLULU — Atop Hawaii's Mauna Kea, where some Native Hawaiians have protested peacefully the construction of what would be one of the world's largest telescopes, astronomers have spent the past 40 years observing our universe and helping make some of the most significant discoveries in their field.

If the highly contested Thirty Meter Telescope is constructed on the site, scientists say they will be able to explore more of the universe's unsolved mysteries.

Many Native Hawaiians, however, consider the land sacred.

Astronomers on Mauna Kea continue to peer into the most distant reaches of our early universe, allowing them to see the time immediately following the cosmic dark ages and the big bang.

Here's a look at what makes Mauna Kea such a valuable place for both science and the Hawaiian culture.

What kind of science is being done on Mauna Kea?

The 13 telescopes already in place on the summit of Mauna Kea, Hawaii's highest point, have played major roles in discoveries considered among the most significant to astronomy.

Astronomers often use many different telescopes in locations around the world to draw their conclusions. But Guenther Hasinger, director of the Institute for Astronomy at the University of Hawaii, said "there is almost no major astronomical discovery where there was not very important input from the telescopes on Mauna Kea."

Scientists at Mauna Kea have helped identify the presence of dark energy, discover a black hole in our galaxy and learn about potentially habitable planets in other solar systems, to name a few.

"The fact that there are other planets out there at some point will change our perspective in a similar way as the first picture of the Earth taken from the moon did," Hasinger said. "We might be able to fly to them at some point."

Mike Brown, an astronomer and professor at the California Institute of Technology, used Mauna Kea telescopes to help reclassify Pluto as a dwarf planet.

Why is Mauna Kea so perfect?

To tap the full potential of the kind of telescopes being used on Mauna Kea and other similar sites, scientists say a number of conditions must be present.

First, the summit of Mauna Kea, on the Big Island, is nearly 14,000 feet above sea level, above 50 percent of the Earth's atmosphere. It is very dark, nestled in the crater of a dormant volcano far from any large cities that would create light pollution. The consistently warm ocean water that surrounds the island helps keep the atmosphere stable.

According to award-winning astronomer Andrea Ghez, a professor at the University of California Los Angeles who has published the most compelling proof of black holes to date, Mauna Kea is the "best place in the world to do astronomy."

"Being in the middle of the ocean is geographically perfect," she said.

It also helps to be located somewhere with easy access to technology.

"Places that are not developed tend not to be near places that can support technological endeavors," she said. "Hawaii is one of the few places where you hit all three, which is why everybody in the world wants to build their telescopes there."

Are there other similar locations?

Yes. Besides the Thirty Meter Telescope on Mauna Kea, two very large land-based telescopes are planned.

The Thirty Meter Telescope is on course to be the first to be operational. The other two will be built in the remote Atacama Desert in Chile, where astronomers say conditions are comparable to Mauna Kea. All three are similar in both size and function.

An important difference between the telescopes in Hawaii and Chile is that they will observe different parts of the sky, Tim de Zeeuw, director of the European Southern Observatory, said in an email to The Associated Press.

"In that sense, the sites are very complementary and both important to the astronomical community," he said.

Dr. Patrick McCarthy, interim president of Giant Magellan Telescope Organization, said the three projects have similar scientific goals.

"They are all intended to address fundamental questions that both push back the frontier of science and go to the core of who we are: Where did we come from? Where are we going? And are we alone?" he said.

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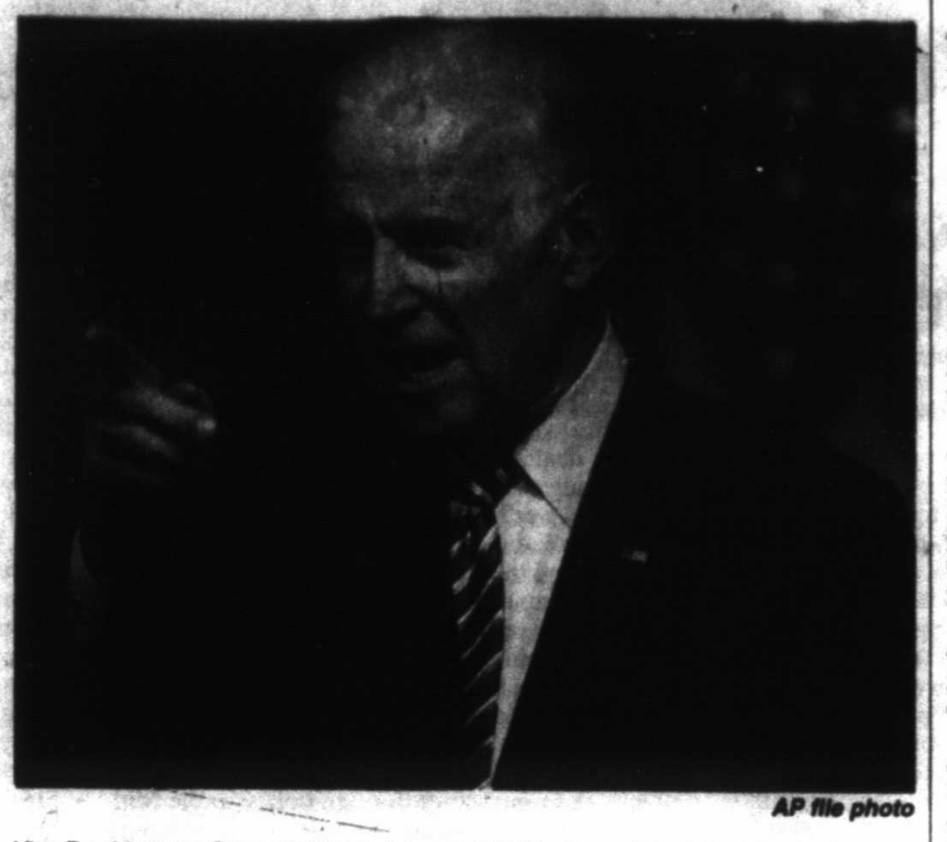
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In SC, Biden seeks quiet respite as he mulls 2016 decision

■ Vice President has said he will decide wheather to run for president by end of summer; the filling deadlines for key primary states of New Hampshire and South Carolina are in November

By Josh Lederman
Associated Press



AP file photo

Vice President Joe Biden speaks during a roundtable discussion at the Advanced Manufacturing Center at Community College of Denveron July 21. Biden and his wife are retreating from Washington for a week in South Carolina with little on their schedule but a momentous decision to make: whether he should run for president.

WASHINGTON — Vice President Joe Biden and his wife will retreat from Washington for a week in South Carolina with little on their schedule but a momentous decision to make: whether he should run for president.

Biden's advisers say he hasn't indicated which way he's leaning. The vice president is still mourning the death of his son barely two months ago. But since reports surfaced saying he was taking a fresh look at running, potential campaign staffers have begun sending in their resumes, aides said, and longtime Biden donors have offered to help if he gets in the race.

And while Biden has yet to ask staff to organize on his behalf, he has started showing interest in details like filing deadlines and what it would take for him to raise enough money to build a campaign structure in the limited time left, said the aides, who spoke on condition of anonymity because they weren't authorized to comment publicly.

So shortly after Biden returns from his vacation, his aides and supporters are expecting a decision about his political plans.

A Biden candidacy is still believed by his associates to be unlikely. It would dramatically reshape the Democratic race and undercut the sense of inevitability surrounding Hillary Rodham Clinton. Although still the clear front-runner, Clinton has seen declines in her favorability ratings just as Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders has been drawing large crowds, demonstrating the appetite in the party for a Clinton alternative.

In the few months left before the primaries begin, it would be tough for Biden to put together a viable operation — but not impossible, said Hank Sheinkopf, a New York-based Democratic strategist.

"You supercharge the money collection by putting together significantly rich people or those with extraordinary fundraising capacity," Sheinkopf said. "There has always been a certain dislike and jealousy of the Clintons. He's got to be able to tap into that."

There are practical reasons that Biden will have to make a decision soon. The first filing deadlines for key primary states like New Hampshire and South Carolina are in November, and Biden would need some type of operation up and running to get on the ballot. He has said he'll decide by end of summer.

Biden is a frequent visitor to South Carolina. He spends most Easters on Kiawah Island and was in the state last June, surprising churchgoers by showing up at the historic African-American church in Charleston where nine people had been gunned down just days before.

After leaving Washington on Friday, Biden was to spend the night at his family home in Delaware before flying to South Carolina on Saturday for a nearly weeklong trip with his wife, Jill Biden.

Over the years, Biden has often spoken about the central role his family's needs play in his political decisions. In recent weeks, nothing has done more to drive speculation about a Biden campaign than reports that Beau Biden, before his death, urged his father to run.

The vice president's wife and his sister, Valerie Biden Owens, are expected to play a key role in his decision.

Owens has run all of Biden's previous campaigns, including his two unsuccessful bids for president, and individuals close to Biden described her as playing devil's advocate, raising questions about the struggles he would face securing funds and Democratic institutional support despite her support for his ambition. Jill Biden, who teaches at a community college, has made no secret of her reluctance to be in the spotlight, once calling the White House "kind of confining."

For his part, the vice president has been coy. Asked by a reporter in the Oval Office this week about whether he would run, Biden quipped, "Only if you're my running mate."

Fiorina looks to capitalize on undercard debate performance

By Bill Barrow
Associated Press

ATLANTA — As Carly Fiorina stood at the back of a packed hotel ballroom Friday to give a television interview, a gaggle of conservative activists watched, chattered and snapped pictures as if she were a Hollywood celebrity.

Minutes later, more than 1,000 people at the annual political confab RedState Gathering stood and roared as the former Hewlett-Packard chief executive took the stage and delivered an impassioned speech on the virtues of conservatism.



Fiorina

"Well, I don't know. I think we kind of rumbled last night. What do you think?" Fiorina said. "I had a lot of fun last night."

The night might turn out to be the one that changes her place in the 2016 race for president.

A day after a strong performance in the pre-debate debate for those relegated to second-tier status by Fox News' assessment of the national polls, Fiorina was reveling in rave reviews for her aggressive approach.

In her first campaign stop since, the admitted longshot candidate — she has never held public office — embraced the prospect of new momentum for her underfunded campaign. She told the crowd at RedState that Jimmy Carter, Ronald Reagan, Bill Clinton and Barack Obama all were once regarded as quixotic candidates.

"You know why all of those men served as president?" she asked. "Because people decided they wanted them to win."

Fiorina told the crowd that her experience in the private sector and ability to sell conservatism without the baggage of being a long-serving politician set her apart in a field replete with current and former senators and governors.

"People get captured by a system they've been in for too long," she said, adding that "people who protect the status quo most aggressively are people who have benefited most from it."

The best hope, she said, is someone who is not from the status quo "but who can see it, who understands it and who has the courage to change it."

While Fiorina, 60, doesn't always mention that she's the only woman running for the Republican nomination, she has built her early campaign around broadsides against Hillary Rodham Clinton — even going so far as to shadow the Democrats' 2016 favorite at campaign stops around the country.

She also said Republicans must steel themselves for a bruising campaign against Democratic Party policies that are "crushing the potential of this nation" and "entangle people's lives in a web of dependency."

Democrats play "identity politics," Fiorina said, promising she would counter with "the truth that Democrats are bad for women, bad for African-Americans, bad for Hispanics, bad for economic growth."

Fiorina lost her only other bid for public office, a 2010 effort to unseat Democratic Sen. Barbara Boxer in California. Before that, she rose from a job as a secretary to become the first female chief executive of a Fortune 20 company before the Hewlett-Packard board of directors forced her out in 2005.

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OPINION

Obama heads to bitter endgame on Iran deal

■ The Iranians are taking full advantage of this shift to fill the vacuum left by a retreating America



MICHAEL GERSON
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President Obama's closing argument in favor of the Iran nuclear deal has become so exaggerated, so bitter, so simplified, that it risks parody.

He accuses his opponents of wanting another war — like the last one they caused in Iraq — and "making common cause" with Iranian hard-liners who chant "Death to America." This goes beyond the questioning of patriotism. Critics of the agreement are, in Obama's depiction, the bloodthirsty allies of theocratic butchers. Thanks so much, Mr. President, for your fair-minded words.

In the meantime, the Iranian regime has celebrated the nuclear agreement by defying it — blatantly sanitizing (with bulldozers) its military research site at Parchin and denying promised access to key scientists and military officials.

So: While Iran tests the limits of the deal -- rubbing Obama's face in the weakness of his enforcement position — he turns his anger on critics of the deal.

What to make of this strategy?

First, exercising the rhetorical version of the nuclear option has an obvious political benefit. It is now evident that the Obama administration reached its agreement in a march of ever-more-humiliating concessions: on anytime, anywhere inspections, on accounting for past nuclear activities, on lifting the conventional arms embargo. Better to have a referendum on the Iraq War than serious congressional scrutiny of the embarrassing manner in which the Iran agreement was secured.

If Obama can make support for the deal a partisan, ideological cause, he can bring along enough liberals in Congress to save it. So break out the Iraq comparisons. Adopting the tone, language and reasoning of your average MSNBC panelist has some cost to the institution of the presidency. But in the age of Trump, who will notice?

This rhetorical strategy, by the way, is not just directed at Republicans. Obama won the presidency by attacking Hillary Clinton from the left for her vote in favor of the Iraq War. Now he is reminding moderate Democrats in Congress: The liberal base will not be happy if you defy me.

Second, we are seeing dramatic evidence of the incentive structure that is now in place. The deal must be preserved, according to the president, because the stark choice is "diplomacy or some form of war." But does Obama not think that the Iranians can also tune into C-SPAN? He has granted them a tremendous advantage. They know that Obama's argument will always be: How can we blow up the Iran deal over this or that violation if the only alternative to maintaining this agreement is war? Nearly any concession, any humiliation, is presumably better than that. And the Iranians seem content to cause Obama considerable humiliation, presumably reflecting their own internal, political dynamic. If you can't destroy the Great Satan, make it look pathetic.

Third, I am willing to grant that Obama's partisan attack is also a sincere expression of his policy views. Obama administration foreign policy in the Middle East has always been, at least in part, a reaction against the George W. Bush years. Bush had policies that involved coercion if certain conditions were not met. Obama authentically believes this approach was mistaken. While occasionally making vague statements that "everything is on the table," Obama has effectively removed the threat of force from American nonproliferation policy in the Middle East. He has argued, again and again, that Americans are tired of conflict, tired of war, and that he personally shares this sentiment.

This belief has informed years of inaction in the Syrian crisis, even as 200,000 people died and chemical weapons were employed against civilians. It informed the precipitous American retreat from Iraq, which has required a partial return. And it informs Obama's approach to Iran. In recent times, America had an Iran policy, particularly an anti-proliferation policy, which involved economic sanctions and the credible threat of force. Obama has an Iran policy that involves diplomatic engagement and the threat of an (unlikely) snapback of economic sanctions. The Iranians are taking full advantage of this shift to fill the vacuum left by a retreating America.

By all means let's recall a little history. In 2009, in the aftermath of a disputed presidential election, a Green Revolution raised the possibility of regime change — by popular uprising — in Iran. Obama did nothing to encourage it, for fear of undermining a nuclear deal. He effectively made common cause with Iranian hard-liners because they were at the negotiation table. And they are now rewarded with money, arms and global legitimacy. Who would they regard as their real benefactor?

OPINION EXTRA

Fiorina makes good first impression at GOP debate

CLEVELAND —



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Not to diminish the importance of the first Republican debate, but it felt like the first in a political survivor series.

The question wasn't so much who won the prime-time skirmish but who eliminated himself to make room for Carly Fiorina — the hands-down winner of the "Happy Hour Debate," as she dubbed it, and maybe of the larger debate as well.

The deck definitely got shuffled. And, depending on one's chosen vernacular, Fiorina rocked. She killed. She made a stunning debut.

I had spoken with Fiorina earlier in the day Thursday and asked what her goal was for the evening. Principally, she said she wanted to introduce herself to her party, only 40 percent of whom knew who she was.

She can check that off her list. If people didn't see the second-tier debate, they heard about Fiorina in the later debate when she was quoted. Even as commentators were evaluating the main event, Fiorina's name kept coming up as the wow-candidate. In the ensuing months, she's bound to enjoy a full-press courtship.

The truth is, Fiorina didn't break new ground in her responses. To those who have followed her campaign thus far, she was on-message, characteristically concise and precise. Perhaps practice makes perfect, and to that point, she'll need to refresh her script to hold her wow-appeal, as well as the media's interest.

For Republicans, Fiorina offers some of what they say they like about Trump. A businesswoman rather than a career politician, she tends to offer her appraisals in no-nonsense terms. She has called Hillary Clinton a liar, which, though many Republicans may agree with her, is harsh language to stand by — especially should you become the nominee and have to face Clinton. In my daydreams, I try to imagine a Hillary Clinton/Carly Fiorina debate and it's a stirring thought. Two smart, tough, dynamic women going toe-to-toe on the nation's future leadership? Be still my racing heart.

Thursday's main debate, which looked like a police lineup after a "Mad Men" bachelor party, offered little opportunity for particulars. But oftentimes, a debate performance, like a speech, is mostly about making an impression. People rarely remember what you say, but they do remember how you made them feel.

As impressions go, a few stood out. Donald Trump failed to be charming. He was churlish, insulting and petulant. Unfortunately, many find those qualities endearing. But the audience booed him more than once.

In a particularly ugly moment, he lashed out at Fox News' Megyn Kelly when she asked whether, given disparaging remarks he has made about women he dislikes (fat pigs, dogs, slobs and disgusting animals), he has the temperament to be president.

Trump tried to dismiss the question first by saying, unfortunately to much audience appreciation, that he was only talking about Rosie O'Donnell. How could someone think that saying degrading things about any woman is acceptable, much less one who isn't present to defend herself? Trump is a bully who makes the former leading Republican bully, Chris Christie, seem cherubic by comparison.

Other impressions: Rand Paul is irritable and irascible. Christie, argumentative. The two, who got into a spat about who cares most about civil liberties, either should be separated for future debates or consider becoming a comedy duo. Jeb Bush is a sincere guy who can't quite find his light switch. He fumbled once again on the most predictable question — whether he would have invaded Iraq. Scott Walker, who distinguished himself as more pro-life than God (no exception even for the life of the mother), uttered perhaps the most irrefutable statement of the evening: "I'm a guy with a wife, two kids and a Harley."

Mike Huckabee is quick with a quip, but he, too, wants to double-down on abortion. John Kasich is a good guy whose life is defined by family, faith and friends. Ted Cruz is really, really smart.

Ben Carson is a superb neurosurgeon and, frankly, adorable. Who did I leave out? Ah, the winner, Marco Rubio. He's the young Republican of the future, the first-generation son of immigrants with a quintessential American story. Like Fiorina, he's fluent in policy, and he even looked like a grown-up Thursday night despite his cursedly boyish looks.

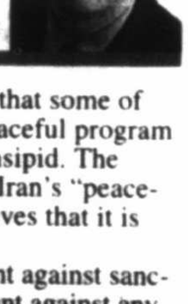
When I asked Fiorina what impression she hoped to make, she said she'd like people to think: "She can win this; she can do this job; and I like her." And now a lot more Republicans — and Democrats — know her name.

Mission accomplished.



Coercive diplomacy behind bad deal

■ Agreement will be disgrace to Obama's presidency



RICH LOWRY
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We've been here before.

Deputy National Security Adviser Ben Rhodes said a while ago that an Iran deal would be the health-care bill of President Barack Obama's second term, and he was right.

Like Obamacare, the Iran deal represents an ideological fixation of the president's; it is unpopular; and it will get through Congress — or to be more exact, avoid disapproval by Congress — by sheer partisan force.

When Obama mounted a defense of the deal in a speech at American University, it was aimed less at public persuasion — never a strength of his during the Obamacare debate — than base mobilization as he seeks to hold the Democrats he will need to sustain a veto of a resolution of disapproval.

How else to explain a speech that chastised opponents for their "strident" rhetoric at the same time it contended that Iranian hard-liners "are making common cause with the Republican caucus," a juvenile little jab worthy of a Daily Kos diarist?

For years, we've heard Obama say that all options are on the table in forcing the Iranians to "end their nuclear program." But he believed in having all options on the table about as much as he opposed gay marriage. Saying that he didn't rule out military options was all about buying time until he could turn around and say, in effect, that a bad deal is better than all military options.

Not that anyone, especially the Iranians, ever took him very seriously. This deal is the result of coercive diplomacy absent coercion. In essence, it allows Iran to become a threshold nuclear power (preserving much of its nuclear infrastructure and continuing to enrich) in exchange for us not having to do anything to try to stop Iran from becoming a threshold nuclear power.

The president's rebuttals of the critics of the agreement are wan and unpersuasive.

On inspections: "This access can be with as little as 24 hours' notice." Underline the word "can" in that sentence. As the president later acknowledged, if Iran wants to block inspectors from a suspicious site, the question goes to a dispute-resolution process that takes up to 24 days.

On the deal expiring: "It is true that some of the limitations regarding Iran's peaceful program last only 15 years." This is truly insipid. The whole point of the deal is to limit Iran's "peaceful program" because no one believes that it is peaceful.

On sanctions relief: "An argument against sanctions relief is effectively an argument against any diplomatic resolution of this issue." No. It's an argument against sanctions relief that provides a huge windfall to the regime in exchange for an inadequate deal.

The president concedes that perhaps some of the tens of billions of dollars will go to military activities, but says Iran has "engaged in these activities for decades" — which isn't much of a case for giving it the resources to fund them more lavishly.

The crux of the president's case is that there is no alternative to his path except war. But the sanctions regime was biting. It could have been preserved and even tightened, and coupled with a credible threat of force, could have produced a much better agreement.

Instead, Obama has been palpably desperate for a deal, and desperate to bypass Congress. There will be a congressional vote, but on terms exactly reversed from what it takes to approve a treaty (it will take a two-thirds supermajority to block rather than approve). Even so, Obama went to the United Nations Security Council before Congress, and the international-sanctions regime has already effectively been unraveled.

This means that like Obamacare, the Iran deal, too, will carry a taint of illegitimacy. It, too, will become something that Republicans pledge to reverse. It, too, will have its ultimate standing decided by the 2016 election.

It, too, in sum, is supposed to be a great credit to the president's legacy, when it is really a disgrace.

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A new law isn't the answer to texting-and-driving problem



NELSON SPEAR
Former assistant United States Attorney

There are several good reasons why Rep. Tom Craddick's texting bill has failed three times in the state Legislature. By being a personal witness to the debate in the most recent session, I have been able to articulate some of those reasons over the last month. What was not a matter for debate was whether or not texting and driving was a good idea. What was a matter for debate is how we as a society most effectively eliminate distracted driving.

New laws are not the answer. The city leaders have led us to believe that the current public outcry is so great that they feel they have to do something right now. I shared with city leaders my dismay at this "microwave generation" mindset, which presupposes that once there is a specific law in place, there will be an automatic or measurable decrease in a prohibited activity. As a lawyer with 12 years of prosecution experience, I can say that motorists' reactions to traffic laws just don't work that way.

Take Texas' DWI problem for example. I cannot think of a more targeted prohibited activity than drinking and driving. Texas has a well-deserved reputation as one of the most aggressive states when it comes to DWI enforcement. Further, some of the nation's best criminal deterrence programs focus on DWI prevention. However, despite enforcement and educational deterrence efforts, the numbers of DWI offenses has not diminished. Texas led the nation in DWI deaths in 2013, according to MADD.

More government is not the answer. President Reagan once said, "government is not the solution to our problem, government is the problem." A city leader at the July 14 City Council meeting stated that "(T)he $500 fine will sure stop me from texting while driving." At last week's forum, another city leader stated that the increasing number of tickets issued under the new law will be a positive sign that the texting problem is getting better. These comments reflect the microwave generation mentality; they reflect the "government is the only solution" mentality; and, they reflect the idea that more known texting violators equates to fewer texting violators. Not once has any city leader mentioned anything about any nongovernment solutions to go in concert with their new law.

But, here is the real head-scratcher. The government is about to create a new revenue stream and there is no accountability for what might be done with that new revenue. Will it go to reducing the taxpayers' burden? Nah, that is too obvious.

Solutions: The first step in solving any problem is to take assessment if you are a part of the problem. Some people can't get past the fact that they may be a part of the problem. In the present case, the city leader mentioned above indicated that the $500 fine is what would stop him from texting and driving. I guess he will keep doing any activity so long as it is legal. Unfortunately, it is this

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Strong ordinance could reduce No. 1 distraction



KENT CROWELL
Permian Basin Bicycle Association

Thank you Councilmen J.Ross Lacy and Scott Dufford, the mayor and all th rest of our council team for their efforts to inform the public and collect feedback to craft the best ordinance in the state for texting and driving.

What is safety in two words? This question was asked on LinkedIn's Safety OHS EHS HSE. Some of the answers were: "staying alive," "controlling hazards," "good judgment," "think first," "people first" and "identify hazards."

What is you answer to "What is safety in two words?"

Midland is using Rep. Tom Craddick's HB 80 as a guide to make streets safer.

Distracted driving has become a hot topic of conversation, debate and policy making these days. Cellphones are a major target, but distractions are anything that take your mind and attention away from your main task — driving, in this case.

There are three main types of distraction according to distraction.gov:

- Visual: taking your eyes off the road
- Manual: taking your hands off the wheel
- Cognitive: taking your mind off what you're doing

The Midland texting and driving ordinance would help reduce all three types of distractions.

In a national survey by Liberty Mutual of more than 900 teens with driver's licenses from 26 high schools, teens rated the following behaviors or activities as "extremely" or "very" distracting:

- Instant or text messaging while driving — 37 percent
- The teen driver's emotional state — 20 percent
- Having several friends in the car — 19 percent
- Talking on a cellphone — 14 percent
- Eating or drinking — 7 percent
- Having a friend in the car — 5 percent
- Listening to music — 4 percent

A strong ordinance in Midland could effectively reduce the No. 1 distraction: instant or text messaging while driving.

The under-20 age group represents the greatest proportion of distracted drivers, and 16 percent of all drivers younger than 20 involved in fatal crashes were reported to have been distracted while driving. (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration)

Texting and driving causes reaction time to double and those drivers have a harder time staying in their lane and maintaining a consistent speed. (Texas A&M Transportation Institute.)

Drivers who use hand-held devices are four times as likely to get into crashes serious enough to injure themselves. (Insurance Institute for Highway Safety)

Hand-held cellphone use while driving continues to be highest among female drivers and drivers age 16-24. (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration)

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Committed unions warrant secular protection

The Supreme Court on June 26 ruled in favor of same-sex civil marriage equality. The decision has been both celebrated and condemned.

Celebrated after decades of struggle to gain secular marriage equality. The ruling ensures secular protections guaranteed to opposite-sex marriages. Secular same-sex marriage does not diminish church or religious marriage internal policy and practice. The ruling secures secular marriage based on individual civic freedoms and equal access for all.

Condemned because some feel the ruling opposes the expression of individual religious freedom and church doctrine. The ruling guarantees freedom and equal access to civil marriage for all persons. Civil marriage is a government-instituted function, supporting and guaranteeing a stable, secular foundation of an increasingly plural society. Civil laws and their governing principles provide equal protection of common rights for all persons.

For example, Texas recognizes secular marriage by codifying common-law marriage, even though no marriage license was issued or ceremony took place. Another example, a Supreme Court ruling nearly 50 years ago ruled hat laws prohibiting interracial marriage in multiple states were illegal. This decision, likewise, was met with furor about religious infringement. The ruling guaranteed interracial couples equal access to civil marriage, as well as adoption guarantees. The right of a church or clergy to decline to marry an interracial couple was not struck down, nor curbed. Presently, civil licenses and civil marriage ceremonies are issued to heterosexual couples who are divorced, formerly adulterers or cohabitating, despite being considered "sinful" by some religious groups.

The ruling requires government offices and their agents to grant requests for marriage licenses and to provide civil marriage services for all, including same-sex couples. Therefore, county clerks and justices have no legal basis to refuse same sex couples' requests for marriage licenses or a civil marriage. To do otherwise government offices and their agents are liable to legal and civil recourse.

The point is, same sex civil licensing and civil marriage provides the same guarantees that have been assured to heterosexual couples. Committed loving unions warrant secular protections.

Fred H. Behnken

Saltgrass takes care of its customers

Midland has always been known for its "unsung heroes," and the restaurant industry is no exception.

Recently, my daughter and her dad had dinner at Saltgrass, where they discussed her plans to move to Lubbock and attend Texas Tech. She brought a folder that included financial aid applications, scholarship information, bank account numbers, income verification and Social Security statements that could have become an identity thief's dream. My daughter accidentally left the folder at the restaurant.

As she was frantically retracing her steps, management and servers found the folder and locked it in the restaurant's safe, and management only released the information after a very thorough interview.

Thank you, to each and every employee at Saltgrass, who take care of their customers with great service, honesty and integrity.

Mary Dowdle

Dog's treatment 'shocks' bystanders

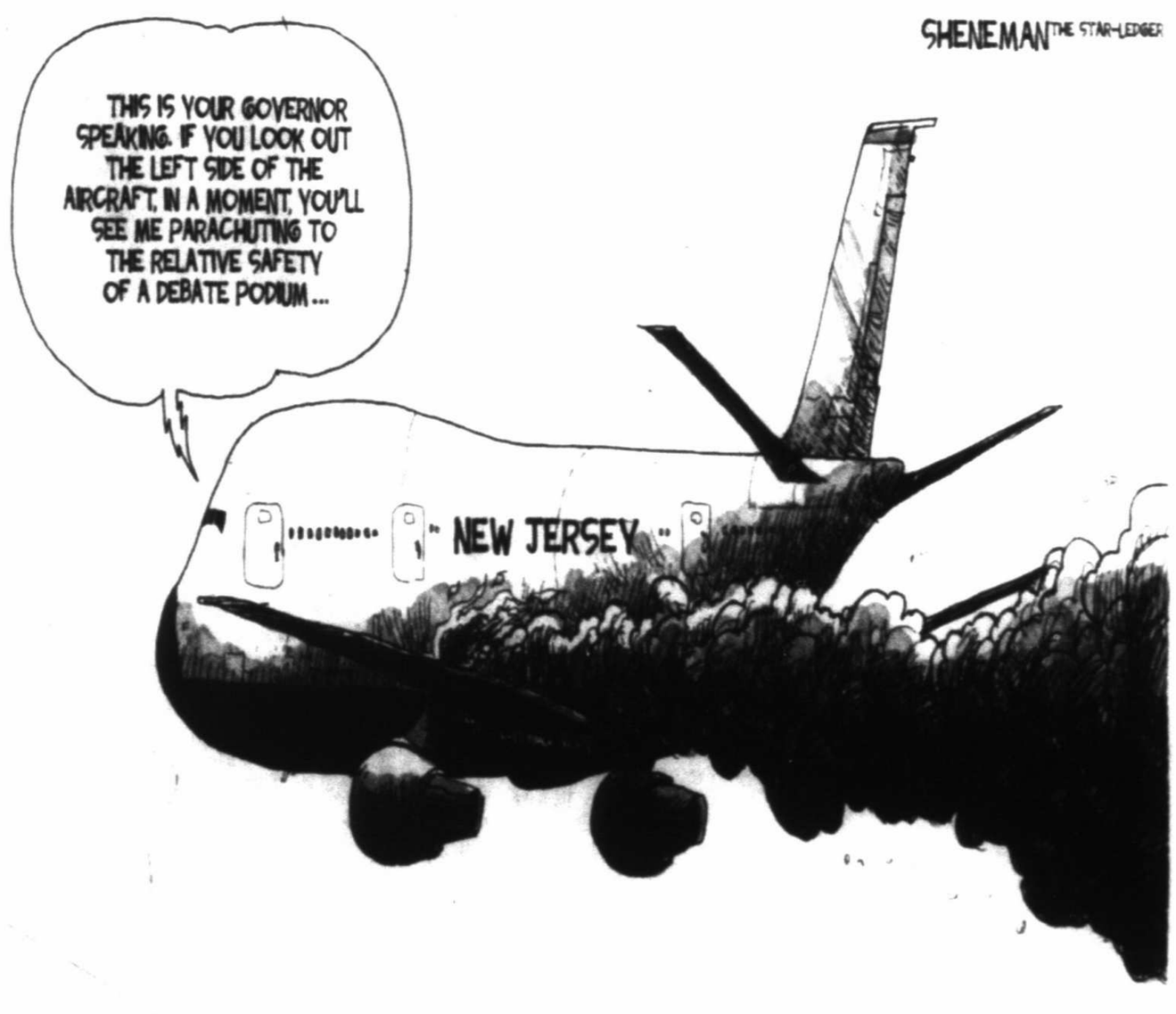
Very recently in Santa Fe, a dark gray Ford pickup was parked near my gallery on San Francisco Street in downtown. There was an older beagle in the back in a pet crate that was very unhappy being left alone in the hot afternoon sun with no water for more than one hour. I heard it baying piteously and looked for it once, but couldn't find it. After another half hour in the sun, I did find it and called animal control to come and rescue this poor animal. In Santa Fe, we take such things very seriously, and the fine for doing what they did is a minimum of $500.

Animal control officers tried to come right away, but got stuck in traffic, and one minute before they showed up, the owners came back. The truck had a Midland Montessori School decal behind the driver's seat on the back window; the lady had extensive tattoos, and asked "What was I supposed to do, leave the dog in the truck?"

I replied that it would have been better to take the dog with them as they went shopping in dog-friendly downtown Santa Fe. They drove away quickly, to avoid apprehension by law enforcement officers on duty at that time who were alerted by the animal control office dispatcher.

I am deeply concerned for this animal, and bring this situation to the attention of readers in Midland, especially civic authorities and officers in the Midland animal control office, because I feel certain these animal cruelty offenders will do this again, on even hotter afternoons in Midland, and the old

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It's time to tell Trump: 'You're fired'

- Billionaire is Republican Party's worst presidential candidate in modern history



RYAN SITTON
Railroad Commissioner

To my fellow Republican primary voters, I feel compelled to share my thoughts with you. Please stop giving Donald Trump any credibility, credence as a political candidate, or your support in any poll you may participate in. Trump is a bad joke when it comes to the distinguished office of the president of the United States, and this joke has run its course. It is time to focus on legitimate candidates and leave Trump to the liberal media that are salivating at the fact that his antics have propelled him to the top of some early Republican primary polls.

I have watched as other presidential candidates have questioned Trump's candidacy, as well as a few others involved in politics, but this is apparently having no affect. I can only assume that Trump's poll numbers are due to Americans' dissatisfaction with politicians. He is holding himself out as an "anti-establishment" candidate. I understand that appeal, believe me. I am serving in elective office for the first time in my life, with my resume before office being that I was a successful businessman, engineer and leader. I ran for office because I believe that we need new faces in politics. We need fresh ideas coming from people who genuinely do not need the job to make a living. I get the appeal of a candidate who is not interested in politics for fame, fortune, respect, or influence — but for service. Heck, I believe that describes me, as well as many other people serving in elective office.

However, that does not describe Trump. He is not a man with a career of service under his belt. He has not led other people to make their lives better. His past is littered with bad relationships, bad business deals and bad quotes. His persona is not that of a servant leader, but of a self-absorbed showman. His announcement speech could only be described as narcissistic and braggadocios. I know that he is a rich man, and kudos to him for his business success. However, I don't care how much his Gucci store is worth, I want to know what ideas he has for helping people and strengthening America. I don't care if he knows the CEO of Ford, I want to know if he understands the role of government in protecting liberty, free enterprise and personal property.

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Texas' brewing public pension mess will only get worse

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Newly released figures from the Pension Review Board (PRB), the state agency charged with overseeing state and local retirement systems, are raising serious questions about the sustainability of Texas' defined benefit pension plans. In short, many of these plans simply don't have the money to keep all of the promises that have been made, at least not without massive future tax increases or benefit decreases or some combination of both.

According to the PRB's analysis, 59 of the 93 pension plans monitored by the agency have amortization periods that are outside its "recommended" range of between 15 to 25 years. Worse yet, 24 plans feature amortization periods beyond the agency's "maximum" guideline of 40 years, suggesting that these systems have either failed to plan or are failing on their plans to fulfill their public promises.

The PRB considers a plan's amortization period, which measures the length of time needed to pay for a system's unfunded liability, to be "the most appropriate [or best] measure" of financial health.

Delving into the agency's analysis further, total unfunded liabilities, or the difference between what's been promised to future retirees and what's actually on hand to provide those benefits, has grown to a staggering $57.5 billion as of June 2015. That's a whopping $4.3 billion increase since May 2014.

What's more, the average funded ratio across all state and local retire-

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Trump is asking us to vote for him without demonstrating the slightest commitment to service, ability to do the job, knowledge of important issues or advancing principles that make this county great. He is asking — or maybe telling — us to admire and vote for him because he is rich, and therefore — in his mind — successful. But he has flipped-flopped on important issues many times over the years. He has had four of his major businesses declare bankruptcy. He's praised President Obama and Hillary Clinton in the past and contributed to Clinton and other high-profile Democrats (according to Trump because he might have needed something from them). Do we really want someone who has a track record of major failings like this at the helm of our nation?

Don't get me wrong. I am happy for Trump's business success and congratulate him on it. However, he is the worst candidate for president that the Republican Party has had in modern history. I think that almost anyone around politics knows that, but they are reluctant to speak out aggressively because of Trump's money. Well, I am not impressed or intimidated by Donald Trump. Perhaps it is because I have been blessed in my own right when it comes to business, and therefore do not see politics as Trump does — another stage to perform on. Or maybe it is because I have had the good fortune to get to know other billionaires around Texas who spend much more time thinking about how to positively affect the state and country versus their own self-interest and image. Regardless, I do not believe this sideshow will last much longer but it is disappointing that other much more qualified and viable candidates were left out of Thursday's debate because of Donald Trump. It is time to tell Trump thanks, but no thanks. Or better yet — "You're fired."

Crowell

From 11A

as reaching for a phone, dialing and texting) associated with the use of handheld phones and other portable devices increased the risk of getting into a crash by three times. (VTTI)

Two out of four teen passengers who died were in vehicles driven by other teens. (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration)

Ten percent of drivers under 20 involved in fatal crashes were reported as distracted at the time of the crash. This age group has the largest proportion of drivers who were distracted. (NHTSA, Distraction.gov)

What to do about distracted driving:

- Focus on the road
- Keep distractions out of the car
- Ask passengers to obey your rules while they are in the car, meaning buckle up and don't distract you
- Designate a texter. If you have a passenger, hand over your phone so they can do your texting or talking for you.
- Be a good passenger by not distracting the driver.
- Know that as a driver, you have responsibility for yourself and others.
- Never use headphones while driving.
- Keep passengers to a minimum. If every person doesn't have a seat belt, you have too many passengers.
- Know your limitations. Driving experience comes with time. It's OK to not be ready for certain driving conditions. Never feel pressured to drive dangerously or beyond your experience.
- Ask civic leaders to pass laws that will protect us from the irresponsible use of technology.

For more information, go to www.t-driver.com for more tips on keeping kids safe behind the wheel and www.biketexas.org/ Advancing Bicycle Access, Safety and Education.

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beagle won't make it. As it was, his howls were piteous indeed, and attracted quite a large number of concerned animal lovers as both Santa Feans and tourists were shocked at the inhumane treatment of this beagle.

All of your readers should be aware that dogs can die of heat stroke and organ failure if they are left in animal crates or in a truck in the hot sun.

Stephen Fox
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Council plays shell game with tax rate, appraisals

Once again, we see obfuscation and rhetoric from our highly Republican City Council. While claiming to lower taxes, we still have a projected increase of $1.2 million in city tax revenue. The shell game that is played between the tax rate and appraisals is one that allows each entity to deny culpability as 90 percent of Midland homeowners watch their tax bills rise.

As we saw a new mayor and City Council members sworn in, we could have hoped that the city would have a smaller financial footprint. After all, they all pronounce themselves as conservative Republicans. And don't Republicans want to lower taxes?

Don't be fooled again.

David Rosen

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ment systems is pegged by the PRB at 80.5 percent, just 0.5 percent above the 80 percent threshold that is often cited as the minimum needed to be considered fiscally sound.

No matter the measure — be it amortization periods, unfunded liabilities or funded ratios — Texas' public pension systems are flirting with trouble. But, in some sense, that's not surprising.

Texas' state and local retirement systems are of the defined benefit variety, which guarantees beneficiaries a lifetime of monthly income irrespective of the system's financial well-being. This type of system, akin to an entitlement program, was long ago abandoned by a majority of the private sector due to its high costs and long-term unsustainability.

But while the private sector learned long ago that defined benefit systems were unworkable, the public sector has not, an unfortunate misstep that's putting at risk both taxpayers who foot the bill and beneficiaries that are counting on retirement security.

The public sector's reluctance to let go of a broken system shouldn't be taken to mean that there isn't a better way though. There most certainly is.

A good alternative to Texas' defined benefit setup is a defined contribution system, which is similarly structured to 401(k) plans and allows employees and employers to regularly contribute to individual investment accounts. This kind of system, which has been widely embraced by the private sector, offers beneficiaries more control in managing their own retirement since it is both portable, meaning that it follows the individual and sustainable, meaning that promises aren't made that can't be kept.

So as to keep our word to current state and local employees, defined contribution plans should, ideally, only be offered to new public sector employees or as an option to existing employees desiring greater retirement security. The old, unworkable system ought to be kept in place for current employees because a promise made ought to be a promise kept.

If Texas is to live up to the promise of public retirement, without going broke or going back on its word, then it's time to break from defined benefit plans and adopt an alternative that offers a better, more sustainable path forward, like defined contribution plans. Because, as all the evidence suggests, the status quo simply isn't workable.

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Those who take issue with this op-ed and want to submit their own take on public pension plans can contact Editor Stewart Doreen at 687-8856 or sdoreen@mrt.com.

SPEAR

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unaccountable attitude that is part of the problem. People's behavior will change only when they take ownership of their contribution to this problem.

I would also like to suggest an additional solution. For certain traffic law violations, I would require mandatory, in-person court appearances for the violator. Additionally, I would give the judge discretion to order those found guilty of those offenses to do three hours of trash pickup detail.

I add these suggestions because in my experience people value their time more than money. Some will do anything and everything possible to get out of a government function that requires their physical presence (like jury duty), but they will pay a fine. The advantage to giving a judge this sentencing option is that everyone who is charged and found guilty of these kinds of offenses will be equally impacted — rich or poor.

My frustrations about this big rush to pass anew law are multifaceted. I am frustrated that some believe government can instantly or effectively solve certain problems in the community just by passing a new law. I am frustrated with city leaders who are only focusing on one part of the distracted-driving problem. I am also frustrated when city leaders make great fanfare of all that they have done for a very specific problem by only creating a new law. And, I am frustrated when I see the many expressions of hypocrisy by the city leaders who promised smaller government in their campaigns, yet they pass revenue-making laws without accountability for spending.

I urge you to call your city leaders and tell them to fight all forms of distracted driving but to not do it by passing the proposed law.

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Bronze — Best Obstetrician/Gynecologist Dr. Ronica McBrayer

Three physicians take a bow from Readers' Choice voters for the quality and compassion they practice daily at Midland Women's Clinic.

Dr. Gary Madden earned the Gold Award, Dr. Ben Doke took Silver and Dr. Ronica McBrayer captured the Bronze Award for best obstetricians and gynecologists in the field.

"We at Midland Women's Clinic can't say 'Thank you' enough to the readers who voted for us. Providing the best care for every woman who walks through our doors is our goal and has been since we opened more than 60 years ago," said Joni Hires, office manager.

Midland Women's Clinic opened in 1951 and has since provided top notch care for Basin women who've sought out its physicians for prenatal care and gynecologic care.

"Through a patient-centered philosophy, the clinic has established itself as a premier clinic for obstetrical and gynecological care," Hires said. "The clinic has grown over the years and there are now six, soon to be seven, doctors along with two physician assistants who provide care for between 180 and 200 patients a day. The fact that the patient is able to have their lab services, ultrasounds and bone density all in the same location allows for a greater convenience and better flow of care."

While Midland is fortunate to have a strong medical community, physicians who focus solely on advances in gynecological care are most able to stay up-to-date with the cutting edge research and treatment for women, she said.

Forty-five people including nurses, lab technicians, sonographers, laser technicians, bone density technicians and business office personnel, form the team of care givers who serve patients with kindness and efficiency.

"The doctors and the rest of the clinic staff work very well together as a team which is what makes everything work so well. The staff is a family with many of them having been part of the clinic for close to or more than 10 years," Hires said.



In addition to the MWC's place in city history, it also stakes a place in modern medical practice.

"Advances in technology and medical treatment have resulted in more options for women in all aspects of their gynecological health," Hires said. "From birth control to robotic surgery to childbirth, the options women have now are amazing and the doctors at Midland Women's Clinic are on the forefront of working with and offering the many options to their patients while also sharing the pros and cons of each option so the patient can best evaluate her care."

Midland Women's Clinic is also one of the few offices in the area that offers the newest genetic testing that provides the earliest prenatal detection of some chromosomal birth defects.

The office covers all aspect of primary medical care for adult women plus treatment for infertility, pelvic pain, hormone imbalance, urinary issues, sexuality and mood disorders. MWC has multiple equipment technologies designed for women's particular needs.

The patient portal is another step that revolutionizes patient care allowing women to use a secure log-in to view test results and other relevant medical information.

"The advances in this area continue and soon the patients will be able to get even more information on the portal," Hires said.

The Permian Basin's population explosion created demand for doctors in all specialties and the clinic has risen to the challenge.

"There has been a need for more obstetricians for a couple of years and Midland Women's Clinic is excited to announce another obstetrician will begin in September. At that time, we will have five doctors who practice obstetrics and gynecology, two doctors who practice gynecology only and two physician assistants who practice gynecology and primary care," Hires said.

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Railroads, emergency responders prepared for spill

By Brandon Mulder
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Each day, freight trains slice through the center of the city at a swift 70 miles an hour, carrying industry goods eastward and westward. With the explosion of heavy train traffic stemming from the Permian Basin oil boom, the threat of rail-related accidents looms larger.

Earlier this summer, a freight train slipped off its tracks in Odessa. Ten rail cars carrying hydraulic fracturing sand derailed and fell sideways along the track. About a week ago, Midland County Fire Marshal Dale Little saw the derailed cars still belly-up, causing him to ask the critical question: "What if that had been oil or a chemical?"

Throughout the past 10 years, 109 hazmat-carrying train cars have been involved in accidents, according to data rail lines report to the Federal Railroad Administration. In that same period, five instances of derailments have been reported inside Ector County. To the east, in Howard County, 54 cars carrying hazardous materials have been involved in accidents with six instances of derailments in the last decade, according to federal data.

But in Midland County, not a single derailment episode has been reported.

"With all the hazard disaster training, we teach that you always have to plan on the worst-case scenario," Little said. "Anything can happen. When you deal with disaster work, every day you go without a disaster is one day closer to one."

By that logic, if Midland's vehicle traffic continues to thicken, causing an uptick in vehicle-train related accidents that are known to cause derailments, that day might be fast approaching. In the last five years, the stretch of railway between Sweetwater and Pecos led the nation in vehicle-train collisions in 2013, according to Union Pacific.

Last spring, a string of derailed trains carrying crude oil from North Dakota's Bakken Shale caused explosions and prompted national scrutiny over whether safety regulations are adequate as rail continues to be a more popular vehicle for oil.

"If they do turn over, first thing they're going to do is burn. You've got that big plume of smoke going someplace," Little said. "If it's crude oil, then you can have a gas buildup in one of the tanks and that can make it explode."

In such a situation, Midland emergency responders have tools to determine how they would respond, including software that considers several variables -- including wind direction, load contents and humidity -- for determining an evacuation radius. Union Pacific also released a smart phone app earlier this year for first responders that shows load contents of each train car using the car's identification

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NO BONES ABOUT IT



Erin Stone/Reporter-Telegram

An example of the Mexican culture exhibit created by El Paso artist Wayne Hilton at the professional development day put together by Midland ISD and Midland County Library Centennial branch Thursday.

Professional development day with teachers and El Paso artist combines art and education

By Erin Stone
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Crafts aren't just for kids, and MISD teachers came together Thursday for a day of art with El Paso-based artist Wayne Hilton. The six-hour event was part of Midland ISD's and the Midland County Library's partnership with the artist, whose artwork will be displayed at the Centennial branch in February.

Though the school district and the library have worked together on many occasions, this is the first time they've partnered to provide learning opportunities inside and outside of the classroom for students based on a specific exhibit: in this case, Hilton's Mexican culture inspired works.

This particular professional development day for MISD teachers was originally geared toward fine arts educators and Spanish teachers. However, teachers with all different backgrounds showed up to learn about how art and hands-on projects could be incorporated into their curriculums.

"We had lots of interested people who were science teachers, math teachers, special-ed teachers, social studies ... it was really a surprising diversity that showed up," MISD Fine Arts Coordinator Deb Shaw said.

"I got an email that said, 'Thank you so much for the amazing (professionaldevelopment) session today. I am an English teacher, but I truly enjoyed the session and see many ways that I could use what I learned in my classroom,'" Shaw said. "That made me feel pretty good. That was really positive feedback. It seemed like everybody jumped in with a strong sense of willingness and enthusiasm."

About 25 teachers showed up, said Annie Tillmann, Exhibit and Learning Experiences Coordinator at the Library. Hilton began the day with an overview of his work and the historical background to it. He then led the teachers through a workshop where each made a miniature La Catrina, a colorful skeleton figure from Dia de Los Muertos.

"Our goal meeting with (the teachers) was to engage them in the work, give them some background on my work and the thematic references of my work, and then give them ideas on how they could

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Celebrities waste their political capital on Cecil



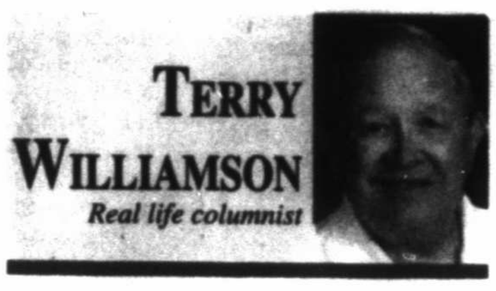
For lack of anything else to do last week, I decided to stir the proverbial pot a bit. Poke around and see what poked back, so to speak. And with a few thoughtless key strokes, I said what needed to be said about the celebrity outrage surrounding the death of Cecil the lion who was shot under dubious circumstances by dentist Walter Palmer.

"Am I the only one who wants to say sod off to Jane Goodall and Jimmy Fallon and Jimmy Kimmel and whomever else wants to jump on the bandwagon?" I asked Facebook. "Where are you with your celebrity and sway and platform and outrage when children are raped and murdered and tortured EVERY FREAKING DAY in this country? Worse things happen to actual human beings all the time, but no one says a damn thing until they can milk the publicity and ride the bandwagon."

I watch four days of outrage and tweets and statements to the media, then read Goodall's op-ed in the New York Times, and I was finally pushed over the edge. A lot of ink has been spilled over a lion. Yes, Cecil's death was sad. I do not care for sport trophy hunting of endangered animals. I was sorry to see an animal of such majesty killed and then stripped of its dignity. It was like losing the real Mufasa. But, seriously, I am over the hoopla. And according to my Facebook page, I am not the only one. But there were a few people who didn't like what I had to say at all. Two days of arguing with and amongst friends has resolved little. I have been called "judgmental" and a "character assassin." Well call me what you want, but I'm still right.

There was just something about several statements from the cause celebre that rubbed me the wrong way.

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When on vacation, imagine the little details to make history come alive

The wife and I recently took a road trip to San Antonio and Houston with our daughter, son-in-law and two granddaughters.

The purpose of the trip was for me to get my annual Houston Astros fix. We saw three games, got a free Craig Biggio bobble-head doll just for standing in line a couple of hours and going to the game three hours before first pitch.

We repeated the same action the next two days, getting a Biggio jersey and a replica Biggio Hall of Fame plaque. We came home with all the goodies. The daughter, the son-in-law and the wife didn't get a jersey. Only the grandkids and I got in the right line. The jersey didn't fit me, naturally, so the wife did get a jersey.

Along the way, we endured Sea World at 100 degrees. I don't even remember Vietnam being that hot.

But when I go on vacation, I like to immerse myself in the local culture and reflect on the history surrounding the area. Naturally, our conversation drifted to the Alamo while we were in San Antonio.

I tried to envision what it was like for the 180-plus defenders of the Alamo when they saw the marching hordes of Gen. Antonio de Padua María Severino López de Santa Anna y Pérez de Lebrón approach the beleaguered fortress.

It must have been an awesome and fearful sight. What did it feel like to know you are going to die for your cause? And if Lt. Col. William Barret "Buck" Travis really did draw a line in the sand with his sword, would I have crossed over?

Those were big questions in my mind, but, to tell you the truth, there were a few things that were keeping me from getting the full picture.

My mind just couldn't seem to get past how Santa Anna was able to maneuver his troops through that I-10 freeway maze. Now that must have been a true military marvel.

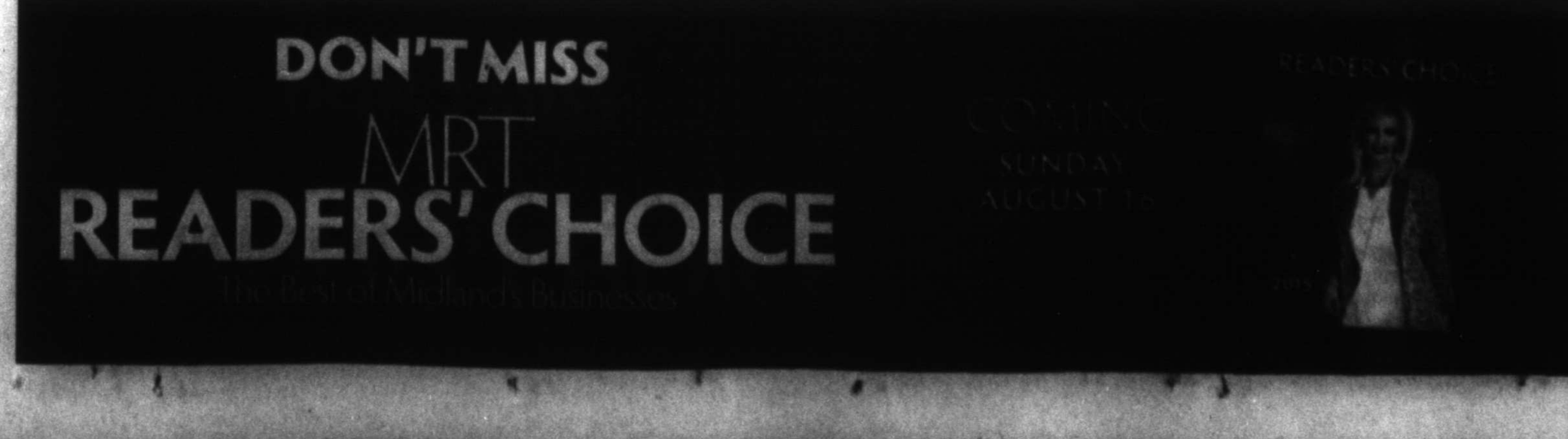
If Santa Anna marched his troops into town around 8 a.m. or 5 p.m., I just don't see the attack on the Alamo ever happening.

As we made our way to Houston, the son-in-law asked how Santa Anna got his troops through all those trees. I told him that was easy as long as you kept to the I-10 corridor. In my way of thinking, that four-lane divided highway is of ample width to take on cavalry, foot soldiers, wagons and cannon artillery without any trouble at all.

I did recognize, however, that traffic was high density in this area, and Santa Anna would have to be careful with his slower-moving army armada.

We quickly discovered that Santa Anna had ample opportunity for resupply on his march to San Jacinto. Buck-ees truck stop alone could handle Santa Anna's estimated 3,000. And I could see in my

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FROM WIRE REPORTS

DALLAS

Uber admits mistake in accepting sex assault suspect

Uber said an internal investigation found it mistakenly granted driver status to a man now accused of sexually assaulting a female passenger.

WFAA-TV of Dallas-Fort Worth reported Uber Dallas General Manager Leandre Johns revealed the problem in a letter to Dallas code compliance officials.

Johns said Talal Ali Chammout presented a fake city permit to obtain Uber approval as a driver. He said, because the permit was accepted as genuine, Uber thought he had already passed a city background check, so the company did not perform one of its own.

Officials said Chammout, because of a felony on his record, would have failed the Dallas background check.

AUSTIN

Arson suspected in car fire outside Capitol

State investigators are seeking a "person of interest" for questioning in a car fire outside the Capitol suspected to have been deliberately set.

The 2 p.m. Friday fire involved a car parked inside a secure lot on the Capitol's south side. Austin Fire Department units extinguished the fire, which the State Fire Marshal's Office is investigating as arson.

The Texas Department of Public Safety, which is in charge of Capitol security, said in a statement that it's seeking clues to the identity and whereabouts of a man said to be a "person of interest." An image from a security camera shows a white man with a light beard dressed in a black T-shirt, purple shorts and a camouflage baseball cap.

NEW MEXICO

Ultralight aircraft crashes in remote area near Albuquerque

ALBUQUERQUE — An ultralight aircraft crashed Saturday morning in a remote area west of Albuquerque.

The New Mexico Department of Public Safety said one of the two people aboard the aircraft was brought to a hospital for medical treatment.

The extent of that person's injuries is unknown.

Obituaries



Jack R. "Rusty" Vincent

Jack R. Vincent "Rusty", 64, of Midland, passed away August 6, 2015. Family visitation will be held Saturday, August 15, 2015 at 1:00 pm at Mineral Wells Highway in Weatherford, TX at the "The Vincent House".

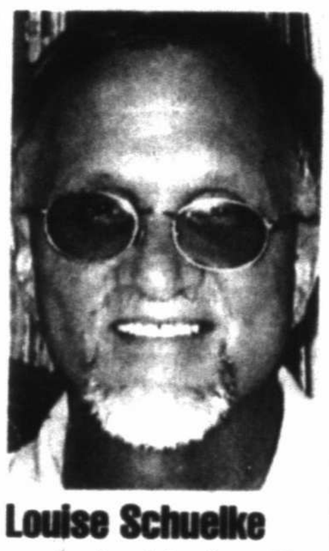
Rusty was born November 4, 1950 in Weatherford, TX. to Jack and Bobbye Vincent. Rusty loved his mother, his daughters, his family, his dog "Bo", his horse "Bell", western movies and books, bull riding, and good whiskey. He sought every day to go to work with some good men and two good women.

He is survived by his wife, Pam, daughters, Shella and Lori, brother; Steve, and many aunts, uncles, cousins, stepchildren, grandchildren, and a few good friends.

Rusty was preceded in death by his father, Jack Vincent, mother, Bobbye Vincent, and daughter, Amy Kay Vincent.

Special thanks go out to Dr. Bala, her staff and Dr. Case and her staff for 6 years of exceptional, professional and personal care for which we could never pay enough.

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



Louise Schuelke

Louise Schuelke: The memorial celebration for Louise Schuelke along with the graveside service for Louise and Cecil Schuelke (husband & wife) will be held at 3:00 P.M. on August 15, 2015 at Westhaven Cemetery in Midland.

Call for more info, Eloise Schuelke 432-634-7372.

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Norma Olive Kenyon

Norma O. Kenyon was born on May 24, 1933 in Eagleton, Arkansas to Mitchell and Opal Eidson. They moved to Hobbs, New Mexico in 1935 where she attended school until her senior year. Norma graduated from Snyder High School in 1951 where her family lived for a short time before moving back to Hobbs.

Norma married Aubrey Kenyon in Hobbs on October 8, 1952 and they had one daughter, Patrice. They lived in Hobbs the majority of their married life, moving to Midland, Texas in 2001 to be near their daughter and her family. They were married for 55 years. She worked for the Motor Vehicle Department in Hobbs for many years. She was a member of Taylor Street Church of Christ in Hobbs before moving to Midland.

Norma was feisty, witty, fun loving, and very competitive when it came to cards and dominoes. She enjoyed life and never met a stranger. She became a member of Greenwood Church of Christ and enjoyed many wonderful gatherings with their 39ers church group. While she was able to travel about, Norma loved going to Ruidoso and Sedona to see friends and family. Most of all, she enjoyed being near her family, especially her great-grandchildren who brought her great joy.

Norma is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Patrice and Charlie Jones of Midland; three grandchildren, Chris Jones and his wife Patricia of Midland, Dustin Jones and his wife Traci of Midland, and Sydney Knight and her husband Will of Plano.

She has five beloved great-grandchildren, Veronica, Samantha, Clayton, Lauren, and Aubrey Ann Jones, all of Midland. She is also survived by her brother, Ronald Eidson and his wife Shirley of Alto, New Mexico, and by many loving nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Aubrey Kenyon; parents, Mitch and Opal Eidson; sister, Bobba Jackson; and precious niece, Lisa Neuman.

A funeral is scheduled for 10:00 a.m., August 10, 2015 at Fairmont Park Church of Christ, where Norma was a member at the time of her death. Daniel McCord and Don Mitchell will officiate the ceremony and a graveside service will be held in Hobbs at 2:00 p.m. (MST).

A visitation is scheduled for Sunday, August 9, 2015 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Norma was an advocate of several charities including American Heart Association, Battered Women's Shelter, and Lubbock Children's Home.

The family would like to thank Dr. PJ Patel, Dr. Ansari, Dr. McKenna, and the many caregivers who lovingly helped her through this long battle with heart disease.

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Oma "Dutchie" Johnson

Oma "Dutchie" Johnson passed away August 7, 2015, into the arms of her Savior with her family by her side.

Graveside services will be held at 10:00 A.M., Monday, August 10, 2015 at the Evergreen Cemetery Chapel in Stanton.

The family will receive friends from 3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M., Sunday, August 9, 2015 at Gilbreath Funeral Home in Stanton.

Dutchie was born January 18, 1922 in Collin County, Texas to N.G. and Lillian Haggard. She attended schools in Loyola, now Flower Grove, Lenorah and Stanton.

She married David "Dee" Saunders September 26, 1940. To this marriage two daughters, Linda and Sarah, were born. Dee passed away February 16, 1953. She married Albert Johnson August 11, 1961.

She moved to Martin County in the 1920's settling on a farm in north Martin County, across the road from the Slaughter Ranch Headquarters, where she witnessed the last cattle drive to the pens in Stanton.

After Dee passed away she went to work for the post office. In 1957 she was appointed carrier for Route 1, retiring in 1985. On this job she drove 113 miles 6 days a week making about 165 stops. She quickly became very good at changing flats, usually carrying three to four spare tires and often coming back to town to get them repaired so that she could finish her route. Drivers driving Martin County roads now think the roads are bad, they should have been around in the 1950's, 60's and 70's. Sand dunes were 3-4 feet high, mile long mud holes and tumbleweeds stacked to the roof. Thanks to Alsup's, Blocker's, Franklin's and Wheeler's for keeping her vehicles up and running.

She is survived by her husband, Albert of Stanton, two daughters, Linda Petree of Comfort, and Sarah Graves and husband, Bobby Hogue of Voss; grandchildren, Corey Petree and wife, Kirsten and their daughter, Ella of Washington, D.C., Todd Petree and wife, Cindy and their children, Carrie and Jude Clay of Indianapolis, Indiana and Ashley Reimer and husband, Tim and their children, Ethan Ducote and Dawson of Abilene and a host of nephews, nieces and countless friends.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; five brothers; James, Jerry, Rob, Tommy Alex and Buster and 4 sisters; Elizabeth, Willie May, Helene and Jean.

The family suggests that memorials be made to Martin County Senior Citizens, P.O. Box 1233, Stanton, Texas 79782, Martin County Historical Museum, P.O. Box 929, Stanton, Texas 79782, Martin County Library, P.O. Box 1187, Stanton, Texas 79782 or Home Hospice, 111 E. 7th Street, Suite A, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home in Stanton. Online condolences may be made at www.npwelch.com.

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Wendell Neil Harkey

Wendell Neil Harkey, 64, of Monahans, passed away Thursday, August 6, 2015 in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He was born September 3, 1950 in Monahans to Ira Delmon and Evelyn Faye (Billie) Harkey. He owned Chemical Tech Specialties since 1981.

He is survived by his son, Billy Beard of Round Rock; daughter, Peyton Ashley of San Angelo; parents, Evelyn "Billie" Harkey Peden and Thomas K. Peden of Tulsa, Oklahoma; brothers, Delmon L. Harkey of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and Jackie J. Harkey of Monahans; a sister, Darla Harkey Presley of Tulsa, Oklahoma; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services are scheduled for Tuesday, August 11, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at Immanuel Baptist Church, with Dr. Charles Inman officiating.

Harkey Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements. Please visit *www.harkeyfunerals.com* to leave online condolences.

Death Notices

Jason Cole Montgomery

Jason Cole Montgomery, 33, of Midland, died on Thursday, August 6, 2015 in Midland. Jason was born on June 24, 1982 in Midland.

A Memorial Service will be held on Monday, August 10, 2015 at 3:00 PM at Crestview Baptist Church in Midland. Online Condolences can be made at www.ellisfunerals.com.

Jewell Collins

Jewell Collins, 91, of Big Spring, passed away on August 5, 2015.

Visitation was held Friday, August 7, 2015 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Ellis Funeral Home. Graveside service was on Saturday, August 8, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Jon Sandel

Jon Sandel, 51, of Midland, passed away Friday, August 7, 2015. Private services are being held.

Survivors include mother; Betty, sister; Mary, and brothers; Joe, Robert and David.

Susan J. Holtkamp

Susan J. Holtkamp, 72, of Midland passed away on Tuesday, August 4, 2015. Viewing will be on Tuesday from 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland. Graveside services will be held on Saturday, August 29, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church Chapel in Midland. She is survived by her stepdaughters, Susan Holtkamp and Karen Wallace.

NICHOLAS

From 1B

Goodall wrote, "Only one good thing comes out of this -- thousands of people have read the story and have also been shocked. Their eyes opened to the dark side of human nature. Surely they will now be more prepared to fight for the protection of wild animals and the wild places where they live. Therein lies the hope." I think we all know there is a dark side to human nature. We live with it and in it, and it flashes across our screens every single day. Now, what are we going to do to help change that?

From the fingers of Sharon Osbourne came this bit of cheer. "I hope that #WalterPalmer loses his home, his practice & his money. He has already lost his soul." Which is funny, considering she is married to a man who made a lot of money after biting heads off live doves and a live bat.

And let's not forget Piers Morgan, whose singular talent is his rudeness, "I'd love to go hunting for killer dentist Dr. Walter Palmer, so I can stuff & mount him for MY office wall."

This? This is what celebrities have used their political capital for? Not the fact that Zimbabwe's living conditions are so deplorable, so hopeless, that government officials there are willing to use the blood of their big game animals to create a big revenue stream to help support their country?

Entire families, many of them headed up by children, are starving to death in Zimbabwe. Regardless of whether they live in villages or cities, many children there do not get to go to school and few have decent homes to live in. Women and their young children are imprisoned together, their children tortured to obtain forced confessions from their mothers. Zimbabwe hospitals often don't have medicine to help the sick. AIDS is a sweeping epidemic affecting adults and children and many people don't even have access to clean water or toilets.

What a wasted opportunity to make a real difference in human suffering. Because, yes, animals should be protected, but human lives are more important, and failure to discuss, recognize and address human need only further separates us from our humanity.

Where is the celebrity outrage when women are raped or beaten, where are the most listened-to people in America when children die from lack of mental health care or food? Because, let's face it, celebrities matter to society. They hold so much political capital that the Obama administration even has former "House" hearthrob Kal Penn working as its official Hollywood liaison. There are a lot more under 30's listening to the politics of actors and rock stars than the world views of their parents, communities or churches.

These Cecil-outraged celebs have inflamed their fans to a fever pitch, and more than 400,000 people have even signed a petition demanding justice for Cecil. And now, that dumb hunting dentist is receiving death threats. How does that even make sense, Mr. Morgan? People justifying one murder with another? Actress Mia Farrow apparently tweeted his address so people would know where to find him. Why on earth does Ms. I-Will-Let-Woody-Allen-Molest-Our-Children Farrow think she has any moral high ground to claim here?

Do you know how many people signed a petition demanding justice for Sandra Bland? Oh, you haven't heard of her? She is the woman who was jailed after a traffic stop and was later found dead in her cell. According to USA Today, only 6,000 people have signed a petition seeking answers on her behalf.

And maybe because I worked in and with the media for so long I am cynical. It certainly seems like a lot of folks were hopping on the Cecil bandwagon to get some easy publicity. What better way to up your followers and clicks and ad revenue than joining in on the outrage?

And again, cynical me, thinks many celebrities only champion feel-good causes instead of controversial ones. Their agents and managers and public relations teams steer them away from issues that have the potential to become divisive. Because sometimes, we show our support — or lack thereof — with our wallets. Just ask Jane Fonda and Bill Cosby.

The way we treat our children, our aged, our sick and our weak is what really defines our human nature. And celebrities have real power to impact the way society perceives the value of human life. I think that a lot of them missed the point with Cecil.

You can learn more about living conditions in Zimbabwe at SaveThe-Children.org.

Melanie Nicholas is a full-time momma, writer and mommy blogger. She and The Hubs have two uh-mazing children, Parksalot, 6, and Bodacious, 4. You can find her here, on Facebook, Twitter and at TheBathwaterBlogs.com. Her column appears in the Midland Reporter-Telegram every other week.

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number.

"We work very closely with the emergency responders in just about all of the communities we go through," said UP spokesperson Jeff DeGraff. "We have regular communications with them advising them of the different products that may be rolling through their area so that they can be prepared should something happen."

However, information on load contents and routes is considered proprietary, and rail lines are not required to divulge the contents the are transporting. Yet, if the amount of material passing through meets a federally mandated threshold, rail lines are required to give notification to local authorities, DeGraff said.

Despite the national attention that railroad safety has drawn, DeGraff said derailments like the recent one in Odessa are uncommon.

"We've done a lot in the way of strengthening our infrastructure to prevent derailments, and our derailments have gone down over the last several years," he said. And with the emergence of oil and gas pipelines that criss-cross the Basin, rail has momentarily become a less popular mode of transportation for crude.

The contents aboard many of the freight trains these days are the goods for industries supporting drilling activity -- pipe, frac sand and gravel, along with commercial products, chemicals and plastic.

"We have a wide variety of items that are moving through the area. As far as hazardous materials go, it's actually a small portion of what we move," DeGraff said.

At any rate, the Midland Fire Department's Hazmat team has had training in the area of volatile spill-ages under what Little calls the All-Hazard Approach to Emergency Management.

"If a tank did blow, and we had an explosion on it, then I have no doubt that the fire department could handle it," he said. "We've got some really good departments around this area."

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develop curriculum in their classrooms," Hilton said. "This way they could get their kids excited about the material and then bring them to the exhibit and give a deeper perspective to those students on what they're seeing. I really tried to emphasize teachers stepping out of their comfort zone and developing something new with their classes."

Educators are always looking to find better ways to engage their students and keep them excited about learning, said Lee High Spanish teacher Lilia Romero. She has found that hands-on projects are one of the best ways to do that. In fact, she displays student work in a yearly "mock museum" based on Dia de Los Muertos in her classroom. She looks forward to working with an artist of Hilton's caliber this year.

"Hands on — that's the big thing," said Romero. "These kids go all day long from class to class, and it's in the art classes or in the band classes — in the fine arts — where they can just let loose and let their creative juices flow. It brings up their self-confidence. They love when people come in and see what they've created. So it gives them that sense of ownership. It's their education; it's not just them regurgitating information."

Hilton's work is all about layers and connections, creating original ideas based on history and culture. For example, another important aspect of Hilton's art is that he works with recycled materials. Not only does this encourage a foundation of not being wasteful, but it also opens up thinking about all kinds of innovative pathways for learning and teaching.

"This workshop forced people to do something they haven't done and maybe take a new avenue of exploration into the classroom," said Kimberly Vanecek, who represents Hilton's artwork. "Maybe what the science teacher does has nothing to do with La Catrina, but he can apply the mentality of the process of what we were doing into something directly related to his science."

"There's multiple connections you can make, and that's one of the things I really like about doing stuff at the library is that we don't need to stay within one subject area," Tillmann added. "I think when you can draw art into any sort of education, and make a hands-on project, it really helps enhance the experience for the kids. And for adults, as you can see from (the event)."

The challenge for educators is often getting their kids to understand the connections between what one learns in life and what one learns in school. In his presentation, Hilton was able to illustrate a way of finding those connections in a less traditional way.

"As teachers, we talk about kids making connections all the time," Shaw said. "You have to get them to understand how math and science and reading and writing -- it's all connected. (Hilton) talked about how the Mexican Revolution was influenced by and connected to the printmaking industry and artistry in Mexico and, in his showing his work, I understood that connection. Just crazy things like that -- connections that maybe we wouldn't automatically put together. You can do that in the classroom with lots of subjects, and I think that gives kids a different way of looking at things.

"Some of the teachers are talking about how they use art in their classroom to show that there's different paths you can take to get to the same conclusions or the same information," Shaw went on. "And some kiddos are taking a path that goes in the opposite direction of everyone else, and that's OK, and I think sometimes we forget that, so it was nice to be reminded."

Hilton is certainly an artist, as well as an educator, but what he really emphasizes is the importance of lifelong learning -- something Romero particularly appreciated.

"That's one of the things we really try to instill in our kids, just the love of learning, lifetime learning," Romero said. "They need to know the community and why in their community this is important. Now we're getting to see that with what Mr. Hilton is going to be bringing. So I'm really excited for them to get the opportunity to see his exhibit. They can see that what we're learning in the classroom is real world. I mean, here's an artist in El Paso who's learning what they are and creating from it. He's been through all his schooling, and still he's learning a lot."

The exhibit will open at the Centennial Library on Feb. 18. There will be 14 La Catrina pieces based on Hilton's work called "Hermosos Huesos" ("Beautiful Bones"), five pieces inspired by the theatrical Mexican wrestling tradition of Lucha Libre and nine pinata pieces.

Sycamore Inn once held an 'idyllic spot' on river

By Brad Agnew
Tahlequah Daily Press

TAHLEQUAH, Okla. — The Sycamore Inn's first season generated enough business that its owner, James P. Thompson, constructed a double-tract, inclined railroad with four passenger cars to take guests from the lodge to the river, 300 feet below; built six cottages upstream from the lodge; and added a billiard hall during the winter of 1921-22.

During the off-season, Thompson had been busy promoting the recreational potential of the Cherokee Hills and his resort. Newspaper articles and ads characterized Sycamore Inn as "the Playground of eastern Oklahoma" and the nearby valley carved by the Illinois River as the Grand Canyon of the Sooner state. Even before the official opening of the lodge's second season, newspaper advertisements advised the public the Inn was "now open for outing parties."

The lodge formally opened for the 1922 summer season on Saturday, April 29. Activities included a dance with music provided by "a famous orchestra from Wichita, Kansas." Thompson hired Cale Thorne to supervise operations of the resort.

The resort's owner had negotiated with Oklahoma Baptists to host an eight-day "Northeastern Assembly" in which members of area churches leased the entire resort — including the lodge and cabins — for their annual youth assembly July 14-21. Two large tents were erected to provide additional accommodations for 500 participants from eastern Oklahoma. It was such a success the Baptists decided to make it an annual event, the Tahlequah Daily Press reported.

Although most Americans worked a six-day week, federal officials in Muskogee gave employees Saturday afternoons off during summer months. The Muskogee Times-Democrat noted many who had been granted the "half holiday" had "left this afternoon for Sycamore Inn and other resorts over in the Cherokee hills, which are rapidly becoming the playground of Muskogeeans who must answer the call of the wild by getting close to nature."

The newspaper also published a detailed strip map of the route from the Federal Building on Okmulgee Avenue to the Sycamore Inn. The article accompanying it promised the improved roads to Tahlequah "will lead to worlds of pleasure for the city-worn man and his family."

Thompson worked with the Cherokee County agent who coordinated with the county's six agricultural clubs to hold a joint meeting at Sycamore Inn. He also persuaded William T. Ford, president of Northeastern State Teachers College, to entertain members of the State Board of Education at Sycamore Inn when they met in Tahlequah.

Difficulty in obtaining high-quality chickens and cream for his guests prompted Thompson to purchase a flock of 500 chickens and Jersey cows. In addition to managing reservations and cooking, Mrs. Thorne's duties included tending the chickens and cows.

As the pleasant days of fall shortened and grew cool, activity at Sycamore Inn was scaled back, but did not end entirely. Thompson entertained any proposal that meant income from his enterprise. On Christmas night 1922, the Sycamore Inn became "the scene of one of the largest celebrations in eastern Oklahoma."

The abundance of the wildlife near Sycamore Inn was one of the resort's attractions, and many sportsmen headquartered there during hunting and fishing outings. In 1923, the region's wildlife attracted Margaret Morse Nice, an ornithologist more interested in observing birds than shooting them.

About a month before the formal opening of the resort, Nice, whose influential "The Birds of Oklahoma" was published the next year, traveled from Norman, where her husband taught physiology at The University of Oklahoma. She took the sleeper from Norman to Muskogee and continued to Tahlequah on the Prisco.

After a breakfast of T-bone steak, hot cakes and coffee for 40 cents, she walked from the Tahlequah depot to the Sycamore Inn on Sunday morning, May 6. En route, she passed flowering dogwoods, hackberry, bird's-foot violets, wild geranium, wind anemones, and bloodroot, all in bloom.

Of greater interest were the birds she observed: "66 species in one day — my best record for Oklahoma." They included rose-breasted grosbeaks, which she had not seen since Massachusetts; a singing Solitary Vireo, the first she had identified in Oklahoma; and 14 species of warblers. She listed many other unusual species and called the day one long to be remembered.

After a day of birding around the Sycamore Inn, she commented, "How I grieve that the University had been established on the prairie in Norman instead of in this idyllic spot, with its hills, its clear streams and oak woods on every side."

A month later, Saturday, June 2, the Sycamore Inn formally opened for its third year under the management of Mr. and Mrs. W.P. Clemmer. An orchestra from San Antonio had been contracted to play for the entire summer.

The day of the opening, the Muskogee Times-Democrat praised the Sycamore Inn as the forerunner of the type of resort that would enable eastern Oklahoma to compete with establishments in northwest Arkansas and southwest Missouri for the growing tourist market.

The editor noted success and burgeoning popularity of 20 outing clubs in eastern Oklahoma demonstrated the scenic appeal of the region, but he pointed out, "The great mass of the people cannot belong to these clubs. They need hotels and camping accommodations. They need good roads to get to them."

Citizens of Cherokee County continued to work on improving roads and bridging streams. By 1927, State Highway 10 from Muskogee to Jay had been graveled, and graded dirt roads connected Tahlequah with Westville and Stilwell to the east.

Thompson continued to expand business at the Sycamore Inn. Civic clubs from the region took advantage of the resort for their activities, and a person was guaranteed to impress by mentioning a vacation there.

Northeastern's administration, students, and faculty were particularly good customers, frequently using its facilities for official occasions, such as banquets, initiations, and dances. The college's Greek organizations found the resort ideal for their social events. Northeastern officials used it for their annual meetings with the County school superintendents and found it an attractive location to entertain visiting state legislators.

Northeastern summer school students even formed a club, the Sycamore Inn Broadcasters, composed of members of the resort's orchestra, who "enabled themselves to make more than expenses of attending college while playing." In addition to providing music for dances every Saturday night at the resort, the six students also played nightly at Thompson's Sequoyah Theater in Tahlequah.

Within a few years, Thompson's resort had established a reputation that extended beyond the borders of Oklahoma. A 1926 issue of Harlow's Weekly, an influential state literary digest, referred to the Sycamore Inn as "the famous summer resort near Tahlequah on the Illinois River."

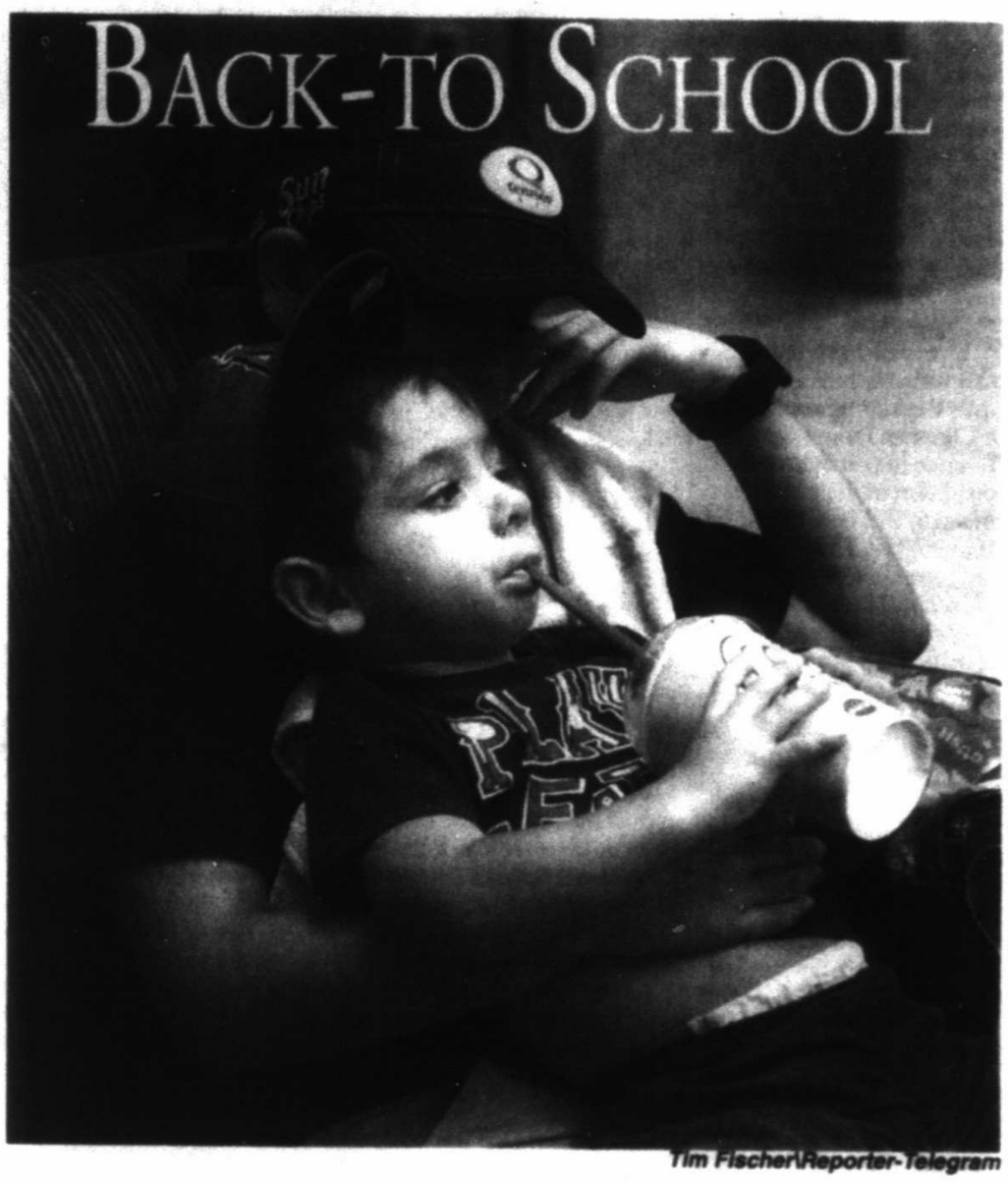
The continuing prosperity of the Roaring 20s and Thompson's effective promotion promised another successful season in 1927, but early Sunday morning, Jan. 9, fire believed to have originated in a defective flue consumed the Sycamore Inn within an hour.

The resort's custodians, Mr. and Mrs. Cale Thorne, who discovered the fire about 6 a.m., could not contain the flames, and by the time firefighters arrived, the lodge was beyond help. Although the cabins and other outbuildings were saved, Thompson estimated his loss at $20,000.

The owner's other commercial interests may have persuaded him to concentrate on them and not rebuild. For whatever reason, Thompson did not reconstruct his resort, but he had demonstrated the recreational potential of the Illinois River and the Cherokee Hills.

By the end of the 20th century, the Illinois River had become a major source of tourism in the Tahlequah area.

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Gabby Martinez and her brother Alex relax as they take a break from shopping Friday at the Midland Park Mall at the start of tax free weekend of shopping.

Can George P. make Jeb the 3rd Bush to win the White House?

By Will Weissert
Associated Press

LEXINGTON, S.C. — George P. Bush is talking up his dad — White House hopeful Jeb Bush — but knows some gentle ribbing awaits about his grandfather and uncle, two former Republican presidents also named George.

"We are lucky to have George Bush here. That's George P. Bush," said state Sen. Katrina Shealy, introducing the Texas land commissioner to the crowd at the Lizard's Thicket restaurant.

The out-of-town guest grins, but kept silent. "Yeah," he later told a reporter, "I've heard just about every George Bush joke that there possibly is."

The next-generation bearer of the powerful political name has been helping relatives run since age 3, when he clutched a balloon and sported a campaign T-shirt as grandfather George H.W. Bush launched his first presidential bid from a Houston park in 1979.

But never has George P.'s role as a political surrogate been as important as it is in the 2016 campaign. The 39-year-old is traveling the country — and flexing his muscle as a rising political star in Texas — and trying to help his father become the third Bush to sit in the White House.

"It's definitely more emotional," George P. Bush said of campaigning for his dad, rather than his grandfather or uncle, former President George W. Bush. "It's just a little closer to home."

George P. Bush suggested that doing so might be even more draining than running for the little-known but powerful job of Texas land commissioner, which he won in a landslide last fall.

"When you're a candidate, you know the criticism is going to come," he said in an interview. "But when it's a relative, and it's a man who you admire who's your father, it changes things."

Father and son have not campaigned together yet, though they talk frequently by telephone. Bush spoke at his father's campaign kickoff in June, but Jeb was in Florida while his son made a recent, one-day swing through South Carolina, home to the South's first presidential primary.

The younger Bush was in Columbia, the capital, to file paperwork putting his father's name on the state ballot, then traveled to Lexington for the event with Shealy.

"George P. Bush knows Jeb Bush better than anyone in the country. That's a strong surrogate," said Matt Moore, the state party chairman.

The younger Bush said he is focused on his "day job" in Texas, which he took over in January, when Republican Greg Abbott took office as governor. Bush he manages 13 million acres of state public land and mineral rights for activities such as oil and natural gas drilling.

Campaigning comes naturally to him.

He was 12 when he led the 1988 Republican National Convention in the Pledge of Allegiance. His mother, Columba, is from Mexico and George P., like his dad, speaks fluent Spanish. In 1992, he concluded a brief floor address at the party convention by screaming "Viva Bush!"

He sprinkled Spanish into his speeches during the 2000 and 2004 Republican national conventions and campaigned for his uncle, reaching out to Hispanic voters.

George P. Bush also campaigned for his dad in Florida, where Jeb Bush served two terms as governor.

"I almost think it's more difficult now given the position he's in, since I think he's more conservative than his dad," said Eric Opiela a former executive director of the Texas Republican Party and a University of Texas law school classmate who remembers Bush being gone a lot during the 2000 presidential campaign.

"He has a very difficult line to toe now," Opiela said, "given that he's a statewide elected official in a state as conservative as Texas."

The younger Bush describes himself as a "movement conservative" and was an early endorser of long-shot Senate candidate Ted Cruz, now a senator and one of his father's primary race rivals.

But George P. also has struck a more moderate tone on immigration and environmental issues, and says his dad can unite the often feuding factions of the Republican Party by using his conservative credentials to stand up to tea party activists.

Regardless of whether he helps his father win the presidency, Bush's political prospects look bright to many observers, including Moore, the South Carolina GOP chairman.

"I was thinking, Gov. Abbott in Texas now, so maybe the 2022 campaign for you?" Moore joked with Bush.

Like the George Bush jokes, that's something he's heard before, too.

Mobile home park offers residence for sex offenders

By Graham Lee Brewer
The Oklahoman

OKLAHOMA CITY — David Nichols drives through his trailer park on the southeast side of Oklahoma City surveying the seemingly constant buzz of activity. Men toil under the blazing summer sun, patching the leaky roofs of trailers, while others try to fix an old car parked in a makeshift garage.

Several of the trailers were donated to the park after they were beaten by tornadoes in Moore, and it shows. Broken windows and siding that bears the scars of extreme weather dot the park. Not only do many of the trailers look ramshackle, they are crammed together. Like tents in a refugee camp, there is hardly more than a few feet separating many of them, The Oklahoman reported.

The park wasn't always this way, Nichols explained over the blaring sounds of a Christian radio station. Despite the dilapidated condition of the park, demand to live here has never been higher. The challenges are compounded by a law passed in 2012.

Nichols' park houses a specific type of resident — one that law enforcement and lawmakers alike keep a watchful eye on: sex offenders.

That 2012 law, authored by Sen. Clark Jolley, R-Edmond, added manufactured homes to the list of living quarters where two or more sex offenders could not live together. After the law passed, Nichols was forced to evict more than 100 men living in the park.

"I had a guy calling me last week. His friend hung himself in these trees back here," he said in his usual monotone as he pointed to the area immediately west of the park. "He used to live here, and then he went somewhere else and ended up homeless."

Two other men forced out of the park and onto the streets took their lives by stepping in front of a train, he said.

An older man with thinning hair and wire-rimmed glasses, Nichols' casual manner belies his enthusiasm for helping sex offenders re-enter society through his nonprofit agency, Hand Up Ministries. Sometimes, he feels alone on that mission.

"They put us bankrupt with that law. I had to borrow a million and a half dollars to break even," he said. "But, at least we didn't have to put every single guy out."

Nichols has about 150 residents, nearly half of what it was before the law's passage. Everyone who works at the park, whether as a mechanic or a carpenter, is a sex offender. Even the men who work in administration.

Everyone is required to attend weekly ministry services and seek counseling. Those who can work are encouraged to do so. A monthly rate of $125 is charged to everyone living at the park. Nichols boasts that, in 2009, an in-house study of the residents found a less than 1 percent recidivism rate on sexual crimes. A sign out front states no women or children are allowed inside, an effort to lower the risk for temptation.

Grapevine remembers Bonnie and Clyde

By Marty Sabota
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

GRAPEVINE — The legend of Bonnie and Clyde and the time they spent in Grapevine was revisited through a front page of a Dec. 31, 1932, edition of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram recently donated to City Hall.

The banner headline on the front page reads, "Robber tricks farmers into helping in escape," referring to the 1932 robbery of the Grapevine Home Bank by two Dallas crooks who were known associates of Bonnie and Clyde.

Although Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow were not involved in the robbery, Grapevine history aficionados have long had an interest in the couple because of their connection to the city, said Grapevine Mayor William D. Tate.

"Bonnie and Clyde spent a lot of time here," Tate said at the presentation of a framed copy of the original newspaper at a recent City Council meeting. "Their parents lived not far from here for a while. There are a lot of stories. They had a lot of friends here. They never did rob the bank here because they had a lot of friends that had money in it. But the gang did."

The gangsters, however, did have a hand in the killing of three Texas lawmen, including Tarrant County Deputy Sheriff Malcolm Davis of Grapevine — a close friend of William Tate's father, Gordon. Davis was killed by Clyde Barrow "with a sawed-off shotgun with buckshot," the mayor said, adding that Davis is buried in Grapevine Cemetery near the archway entrance.

"I think the (1933) killing of Malcolm Davis and then shortly thereafter the two Texas highway patrolmen was the beginning of the end of Bonnie and Clyde," Tate told the Star-Telegram.

"In fact, probably the killing of Malcolm Davis brought the end to Bonnie and Clyde because Texas law started taking it pretty seriously when they started killing Texas lawmen, especially highway patrolmen, who had never been killed in the line of duty before."


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ROBBER TRICKS FARMERS INTO HELPING IN ESCAPE
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In this photo taken July 27, business owner Debi Meek displays a newspaper a customer found on eBay with a story about by two Dallas crooks who were known associates of Bonnie and Clyde that robbed the bank where her Grapevine, business is now located. Although Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow were not involved in the robbery, Grapevine history aficionados have long had an interest in the couple because of their connection to the city, said Grapevine Mayor William D. Tate.

On May 23, 1934, Bonnie and Clyde — who were responsible for a Depression-era robbery and murder spree across Texas and the Midwest — were shot to death in a police ambush in Louisiana.

The Grapevine bank their gang robbed is long gone. Today, it is the site of Bermuda Gold & Silver, a family-owned custom design jewelry store at 404 S. Main St.

Owners Debi and Mike Meek know well their location's place in Texas folklore and are always on the lookout for new information. So when a customer told them a copy of a 1932 Star-Telegram chronicling a bank robbery at that location was for sale, they were intrigued.

The customer, Mark Upchurch, found it on eBay for $14.95, and the Meeks quickly asked him to get the paper that sold in 1932 for five cents.

"Grapevine is a city rich in history, and we love sharing our history and preserving it," said Debi Meek, who with her husband are members of the Grapevine Historical Society.

The Meeks presented Tate and the city with a framed front page of the 1932 article about the Grapevine bank holdup in which the two robbers took $2,500 and locked the employees and customers in the vault.

One went to the door of a farmer and knocked, saying he was "with the posse and needed a ride to Dallas," Debi Meek said in her presentation. "The farmer gave him a ride to Dallas, where he dropped him off and the robber gave him $5 for gas money."

According to the article, the escaping robber who duped the farmer into thinking he was a member of the posse who got "lost from his group" and needed a ride, pulled a pistol on the 37-year-old good Samaritan during the ride.

"I have 58 shells in my pocket, and I intend to use them before they get me," the robber told the farmer, who was interviewed by the Star-Telegram.

Gordon Tate, a grocery store clerk who later would become mayor, heard the news about the bank robbery on Main Street and wanted to help. Grocery store owner Kirby Buckner handed Tate a new .35-caliber Remington rifle.

"Go get 'em," Mayor Tate said Buckner told his father.

The Star-Telegram followed the crime for several days, in part because the robbers reportedly had associated with Parker and Barrow.

Gordon Tate and another clerk quickly found the robbers' car near where Harwood Road now intersects Texas 121, according to a Star-Telegram article. They pursued one of the robbers on foot. Gordon Tate leveled his rifle on him, and the robber was searched and taken into custody.

The rifle was donated to the city in 2006 and is displayed on the second floor of City Hall on Main Street. Meek said the rifle had to be restored because Gordon Tate "went through a lot of brush. He tore his clothes and the gun was scratched up quite a bit."

Rumor has it, she said, that one of the robbers provided information about Bonnie and Clyde's Dallas hideout that led to Clyde Barrow shooting Davis as he and other deputies were staking out a house waiting for members of the outlaw gang.

One history buff has gathered a wealth of information over the years. Tarrant County Commissioner Gary Fickes, who was Southlake mayor from 1989 to 1996, was a major contributor to a Southlake Historical Society article.

At a location that later became Southlake, Fort Worth-based state troopers H.D. Murphy and Edward Wheeler were killed on April 1, 1934, when, thinking a motorist needed assistance, they surprised Bonnie, Clyde and gang member Henry Methvin, who were waiting for an Easter Sunday meeting with family members.

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Members of the Midland Fire Department battle a structure fire at a trailer home south of town near the intersection of F.M. 715 and East County Road 146 on Saturday. One individual was seen being treated by medical personnel but a Midland County Sheriff's Department deputy at the scene stated that was no loss of life as a result of the blaze.

Justices speak out about Texas death penalty, but executions go on

By Mark Sherman
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Wherever their summer travels have taken them, Supreme Court justices will probably weigh in over the next few days on Texas' plans to execute two death row inmates in the week ahead.

If past practice is any guide, the court is much more likely to allow the lethal-injection executions to proceed than to halt them.

Opponents of the death penalty took heart when Justices Stephen Breyer and Ruth Bader Ginsburg made the case against capital punishment in late June as arbitrary, prone to mistakes and time-consuming. Even if death penalty opponents eventually succeed, the timeline for abolition probably will be measured in years, not months.

That's because Breyer, joined by Ginsburg, was writing in dissent in a case involving death row inmates in Oklahoma, and five sitting justices, a majority of the court, believe "it is settled that capital punishment is constitutional," as Justice Samuel Alito wrote in his opinion for the court in that same case.

Texas has scheduled back-to-back executions Wednesday and Thursday for Daniel Lee Lopez and Tracy Lane Beatty.

Lopez was convicted of running over a Texas police officer with his car during a high-speed chase. Lopez' lawyer already has asked the court to stop the execution.

Beatty strangled his 62-year-old mother then stole her car and drained her bank accounts. He has an appeal pending in lower courts and could also end up at the Supreme Court.

The justices rarely issue last-minute reprieves to death-row inmates. Even after Breyer's opinion calling for a re-examination of capital punishment by the Supreme Court, no justice publicly backed a Missouri inmate's plea to halt his execution to allow the court to take up the constitutionality of the death penalty.

Similarly, the three Oklahoma inmates who lost their high court case now face execution in September and October and want the justices to reconsider the decision from June in light of Breyer's dissent. The court almost never does that.

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FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Jessie J. Johnson, 25, of Midland was charged July 31 for possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram and tampering with or fabricating physical evidence.

Tyler P. Anderson, 25, of Midland was charged Aug. 1 with criminal mischief under $20,000.

Jonathan R. Arredondo, 18, of Midland was charged Aug. 1 with tampering with or fabricating physical evidence with intent to impair.

Delilah A. Chavez, 34, of Midland was charged Aug. 1 with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram.

Leander L. Hicks, 38, of Midland was charged Aug. 1 with evading arrest or detention with vehicle.

Alejandro A. Loredo, 26, of Midland was charged Aug. 1 with possession of a controlled substance under 4 grams.

David Loredo, 24, of Midland was charged Aug. 1 with possession of a controlled substance under 4 grams.

Jose M. Pompa Jr., 29, of Midland was charged Aug. 1 with obstruction or retaliation.

Jacob R. Rubio, 28, of Midland was charged Aug. 1 with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram.

Michael Tijerina, 44, of Odessa was charged Aug. 1 with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram.

Auden Urias, 24, of Midland was charged Aug. 1 with possession of a controlled substance under 4 grams.

Freeman Young, 31, was charged Aug. 1 with two counts of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Seth D. Caples, 27, of Midland was charged Aug. 2 with abandonment/endangerment of a child.

Justin Favale, 17, was charged Aug. 2 with manufacturing/delivery of a controlled substance under 28 grams.

Samuel O. Gardea, 42, of Midland was charged Aug. 2 with evading arrest.

Mathew R. Nietert, 21, of Midland was charged Aug. 2 with burglary.

Juan R. Gallegos, 34, of Edinburg was charged Monday with assault of a public servant.

Stancel B. Gibbs, 50, of Midland was charged Monday with criminal mischief under $20,000.

Jarlo A. Morales, 32, of Midland was charged Monday with forgery.

Rita Moreno, 34, of Midland was charged Monday with forgery.

Sarah C. Robbins, 33, of Midland was charged Monday with abandoning/endangering a child.

Alexis R. Rodriguez, 19, of Midland was charged Monday with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Abel Velasquez, 21, of Midland was charged Midland with assault of a family/house member.

Dewight J Wilkins II, 38, of Midland was charged Monday with failure to register as a sex offender.

Terry L Zylstra Jr., 45, of Midland was charged Monday with assault of a family/house member.

Vicki L. Bradley, 42, of Midland was charged Wednesday with aggravated assault of a family or house member with a weapon.

John D. Clegg, 36, of Midland was charged Wednesday with failing to register as a sex offender.

Robert D. Hale, 31, of Odessa was charged Thursday with manufacturing/delivery of a controlled substance under 200 grams.

Jarrod E. Johnson, 45, of Midland was charged Thursday with assault of a family/house member.

Roland B. Navarro, 55, of Midland was charged Thursday with an accident involving injury.

Lilly A. Rodriguez, 35, of Midland was charged Thursday with injury to a child/elderly person/disabled person.

Carl K. Young, 44, of Odessa was charged Thursday with manufacturing/delivery of a controlled substance under 200 grams.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

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Ex-champ's life experiences shave sermons

By Allan Turner
Houston Chronicle

HOUSTON — The Rev. George Foreman flipped his Bible open to the Book of Genesis, let fly with a left hook for Jesus and sent Satan sprawling into the ropes.

"You've got to learn how to fight!" he exhorted. "If you believe in God, you've got to fight for him."

The Sunday morning faithful, warmed by a hand-clapping round of gospel singing, rocked on their hard wooden pews with the verbal punch.

At 66, Foreman — two-time world heavyweight champion and veteran of more than 80 scarring professional boxing bouts — might be graying, his card-topping pugilistic battles long over. But in his bout against sin as pastor of north Houston's Church of the Lord Jesus Christ, he's still a powerhouse slugger.

In a 60-minute exposition on God's creation of the world, the boxer-turned-preacher touched on false philosophers, biology, Pluto, marijuana, boxing punches, getting lost in traffic, the morals of dogs, the morals of women who buy booze by the gallon, people who wallow, crops and weeds and, of course, Adam, Eve, the Garden of Eden, a treacherous serpent and an angry God.

When it comes to good and evil, there's no question where Foreman stands. He's seen his share of both.

Born in poverty, his boxing prowess and a lucrative career as pitchman for backyard grills, automobile mufflers and sports clothing have made Foreman a millionaire a hundred times over. He lives on a 45-acre Lake Houston estate, collects luxurious cars and thoroughbred horses and, between pulpit duties and appearances at his George Foreman Youth and Community Center, knocks down sizable honoraria for speaking engagements across the nation.

Earlier this year, the retired champ again gained the nation's media spotlight as he launched a new business enterprise, George Foreman's Butcher Shop, an online purveyor of grass-finished beef and free-range chickens.

Though Foreman has lived a life filled with fame and fortune, he confessed, much of it was spent without God. No one was more surprised by the boxer's embrace of religion than Foreman himself.

Foreman's mother, working three jobs to single-handedly support seven children, had no time for church, he said. And although the adolescent Foreman sometimes went to church at his sisters' urging, it was only to take advantage of a free lunch.

The pugilist's ultimate reckoning with religion came in 1977, minutes after he was pummeled into defeat by heavyweight Jimmy Young, and it came in the most frightening way.

"In the dressing room I was walking back and forth to cool off," he told the Houston Chronicle. "Then in a split second, I was fighting for my life."

Foreman's mind filled with battling thoughts: preening pride vs. death, panic.

"I kept thinking, 'You believe in God; why are you afraid to die?'" Foreman said. "But I really didn't believe."

Foreman bargained, offering to devote his boxing prize money to charity.

"I don't want your money," Foreman heard a voice say. "I want you."

Instantly the boxer found himself cast into the bleakest darkness he had experienced.

"It was the saddest, most horrible place I had ever seen," he said.

Then a "giant hand" plucked him into consciousness. Foreman found himself on a locker room table, surrounded by friends and staff. He felt as if he were physically filled with the presence of a dying Christ. He felt his forehead bleed, punctured by a crown of thorns; his wrists, he believed, had been pierced by nails of the cross.

"I knew that Jesus Christ was coming alive in me," Foreman said. "I ran into the shower and turned on the water and — hallelujah! — I was born again. I kissed everybody in the dressing room and told them I loved them. That happened in March 1977, and I never have been the same again."

The change immediately was noticed by the boxing world.

"There was a transformation from a young, hard character who felt a heavyweight champion should carry himself with menace (to) a very affectionate personality," said HBO boxing commentator Larry Merchant. "I would say this was a sincere evolution of a human being maturing and it suggests real effort."

Foreman's roots were in Houston's toughest neighborhoods.

Big, muscular, truculent, the future champ began his fighting career as a schoolyard bully.

"There were a lot of fights," he said. "My mother had a lot of trouble out of me."

At 16, Foreman was a school dropout on his way to a West Coast Job Corps camp, where he would be trained in carpentry and other manual skills. He took his bad attitude with him, and fistfights weren't uncommon. But — in what might have been the luckiest break of his life — Foreman's rowdiness caught the eye of camp boxing coach Charles "Doc" Broadus, who challenged the teen to take his fighting to the ring.

The gambit paid off with Foreman claiming a gold medal in heavyweight boxing in the 1968 Mexico City Olympics. The win propelled Foreman to a pro career and heavyweight championship victories over Joe Frazier in 1973 and Michael Moorer in 1994.

"He is an iconic figure in boxing history," said Edward Brophy, executive director of the International Boxing Hall of Fame.

Eventually, the boxer's quest brought him to the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ on Lone Oak Road. Foreman felt welcomed. At the urging of church members, he joined a corps of curbside proselytizers, honing his pulpit skills with sidewalk harangues from Houston to Shreveport, La.

When the Pentecostal congregation dissolved, Foreman was there to reassemble the pieces. The church reopened in 1980, with the brash heavyweight champ in the pulpit.

Always philanthropic, Foreman pushed his ministry into social realm three years later with the opening of the George Foreman Youth and Community Center, a cluster of gymnasiums just blocks from his church.

Dr. Adan Rios, an oncology professor at the University of Texas Health Science Center's Houston medical school, began working out at Foreman's gym shortly after it opened.

"When I went to the gym and found out he was a minister, I decided to hear one of his sermons," Rios said. "I remember very vividly. I was sitting close to the door. I thought this was just a courtesy visit, but he stopped preaching and walked over to me to whisper in my ear, 'Be very careful. This is the real gymnasium, and here's where things really happen.' I was enthralled by his sermon and started coming back. Now, I'm just another member of his church."

Rios recalled Foreman's 1987 decision to return to the ring, a move motivated by the need for money to keep the youth center open. Saturday nights of trading punches with often younger heavyweight foes invariably were followed by rushed flights to Houston so Foreman could praise God on Sundays.

Rios was with the middle-age pugilist when he faced Moorer in the 1994 Las Vegas heavyweight title bout.

For most of the fight, Moorer — 19 years Foreman's junior — seemed destined to win. Then, rebounding in the 10th round, Foreman connected a short right-hand punch to Moorer's chin, and he slapped to the canvas.

"I saw it all at close range," Rios said, "and I can tell you with certainty that the man I saw in the ring is the same man you see in church on Sundays."

Foreman hung up his boxing gloves for keeps five years later, and though he launched a career as a television boxing analyst, his heart had its home in the church.

"I'm always studying the Bible," Foreman said. "It's all about studying and learning, and here's the scary thing: The more you learn, the more you realize how much you don't know."

Preaching three weekly sermons, keeping an eye on the operations of the youth center and managing his meat business make for a demanding routine.

"On Saturday evenings and Sunday mornings, I try to reveal something about the Bible that they didn't know," Foreman said of his pastoral strategy. "On Sunday evenings, I understand that people need something to help them all through the week. I have the New Testament to draw on. It's 2,000 years old. I can't run out of ideas."

Often, he said, he recycles themes, seeking new depths in Scripture he has explored.

He preaches a creation sermon at least twice a year.

"Let's think a little bit," he told his Sunday morning congregation. "We come to church to learn how to think about God. Ignorance can get everyone in trouble. Ignorance is thrown into a lake of fire — hell itself. The best way to learn the truth is to start at the beginning. 'In the beginning . ' read with me now.

"Maybe we'll leave out of church thinking about how we can save our souls."

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mind that Buck-ees must have had rows and rows of watering troughs back in those days instead of gas pumps. My car even gave out a big neigh as we filled up.

Of course, Sam Houston's victory over Santa Anna in 18 minutes at San Jacinto is one of the great military victories of all time. The valiant cry of "Remember the Alamo" reverberated across that battlefield.

But the way I saw it in my mind was, we really didn't need the stand at the Alamo to give time to Sam Houston to pick the right spot or to get his Texan troops ready to fight. I figure the Houston traffic alone would have delayed Santa Anna for days.

Unless Santa Anna had one of those express passes, his army was going nowhere fast. It just goes to show you that Houston had Santa Anna right where he wanted him.

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Thought for the Week: "History is the version of past events that people have decided to agree upon." — Napoleon Bonaparte

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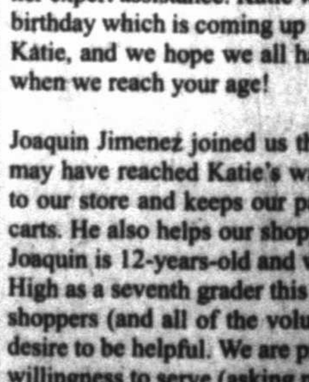
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Meet Katie and Joaquin... Our oldest and our youngest volunteers!



Katie Miller joined our family almost seven years ago and has worked since then in our housewares department. She and her husband, Buck, have been invaluable to us. Buck has proven to be a treasure in his ability to repair items that we receive that could use some fixing up. He is particular skilled in the repair of lamps. She works in our store every Tuesday, Friday and Saturday and she is a favorite among our shoppers who rely on her for her expert assistance. Katie will be 88-years-old on her next birthday which is coming up on August 24. Happy birthday, Katie, and we hope we all have as much energy as you do when we reach your age!

Joaquin Jimenez joined us three years ago (at that time he may have reached Katie's waist). Each Saturday he comes to our store and keeps our parking lot cleared of shopping carts. He also helps our shoppers load items into their cars. Joaquin is 12-years-old and will be attending Alamo Junior High as a seventh grader this year. He is much loved by our shoppers (and all of the volunteers as well) because of his desire to be helpful. We are proud of Joaquin because of his willingness to serve (asking nothing in return), especially at his young age. Joaquin is the son of Jose and Maria Jimenez and we know they are as proud of him as we are. Good job, Joaquin!

In between Katie and Joaquin are many, many volunteers who come together whenever their schedules permit to make Helping Hands the special organization that it is. If you are interested in spending and hour, a day or even more in service to the poor of Midland through Helping Hands, we would love to have you join our family! For more information call Mary at (432) 528-6265 anytime. God bless!

Wastewater from Colorado mine reaches New Mexico

By Ivan Moreno and Jacques Billeaud
Associated Press

Mustard-colored wastewater laced with heavy metals continues to drain into a river from an abandoned mine in southwestern Colorado at a rate of about 550 gallons per minute, according to the Environmental Protection Agency, which caused the spill.

The rate of discharge Saturday was down from about 740 gallons per minute on Friday. But three days after the massive spill, the agency said it still didn't know what the possible environmental and health impacts are.

The agency said it hoped to have a thorough lab analysis of the contaminants — which include lead and arsenic — as soon as Saturday evening or Sunday morning.

"We're busting our tails to get that out," Environmental Protection Agency Regional Director Shaun McGrath said. "We know the importance to people to have this information."

In the meantime, the EPA said it had finished building two containment ponds to treat the yellow sludge. However, the ponds are meant to immediately address the spill and cleanup efforts will likely take a long time. McGrath could not say whether that means days or weeks.

"This is a long-term impact. The sediment, the metals that are in that sediment are going to settle out to the stream bottom," he said. "As we have storm surges, as we have flooding events, that sediment can and likely will get kicked back up into the water. We're going to have to do ongoing monitoring."

About 1 million gallons of wastewater from Colorado's Gold King Mine began spilling into the Animas River on Wednesday when an EPA-supervised cleanup crew accidentally breached a debris dam that had formed inside the mine.

The mine has been inactive since 1923.

The plume reached the northern New Mexico cities of Aztec on Friday night, and Farmington on Saturday morning. Local government officials in New Mexico and Colorado have blasted the EPA, saying they didn't alert communities soon after the spill and that answers have been slow in coming.

"There's not a lot we can do. We can keep people away (from the river) and keep testing. We still don't know how bad it is," San Juan County Emergency Management Director Don Cooper said.

Officials in both cities shut down the river's access to water treatment plants and say the communities have a 90-day supply of water and other water sources to draw from.

No health hazard has been detected yet.

In addition to lead and arsenic, federal officials say the spill contains cadmium, aluminum, copper and calcium, but the concentrations were not yet known.

Water samples were also tested in New Mexico, but no results have been released.

In addition to New Mexico, wastewater from the mine was also inching toward Utah.

The Animas flows into the San Juan River in New Mexico, and the San Juan flows into Utah, where it joins the Colorado River in Lake Powell.







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- Being in RCIA has helped me understand the Bible and the Gospel.

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- The RCIA classes have helped me abundantly and I have learned so much. I want to join RCIA next year. I feel like I can't get enough of God.

- This RCIA class has helped me open my mind to the truth about God, Jesus Christ, and the cross. It has inspired my mind and heart. Nothing is more important than the truth.

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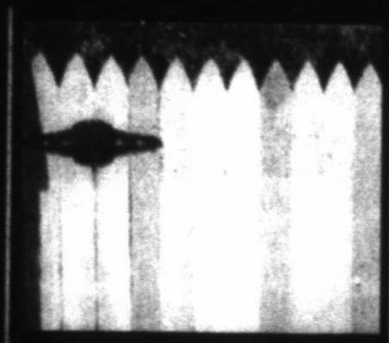
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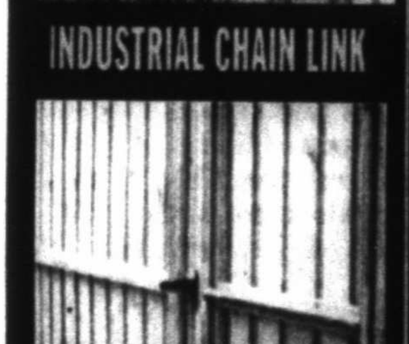
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Cowboys' Tony Romo still mindful of back

By Schuyler Dixon
Associated Press

OXNARD, Calif. — Tony Romo still takes it easy on his surgically repaired back even though he had a normal offseason for the first time in three years.

The Dallas quarterback probably always will.

Stretching exercises here, a day off there — it's all part of the routine for the 35-year-old Romo coming off one of the best seasons of his career. And one thing about this routine, he's always prepared to change it.

"We're fluid each week," Romo said. "It's training camp. So you're going to throw a lot of balls. And you're going to be out doing a lot of stuff. You've got a morning thing you throw at and then you have meetings all day. It adds up each day over and over again."

A younger Romo — and the one before two back surgeries in eight months in 2013 — didn't have to worry quite so much about which way his body should turn for certain throws.

He was so far behind after missing his second straight offseason last year that Romo actually had to be mindful of plays he might not be ready to make several games into the regular season. He's that much further ahead a year later, but will still skip plenty of practices at camp.

Romo had his first planned day off Wednesday — five days after an unscheduled break because of a sty in his left eye. He'll probably take another one before the preseason opener at San Diego on Thursday night.

Last year, he generally never went more than two days without a break at camp.

"We're not going to have this 'Look at the calendar. You're on, you're on, you're off,'" coach Jason Garrett said. "We're not going to do that in advance, and to be honest with you, we didn't do that completely last year. It was a little bit of feel."

Romo had a procedure to remove a cyst just before offseason workouts started in 2013. When a herniated disk knocked him out of the season finale against Philadelphia that season, Romo was merely an offseason observer as he recovered from the second surgery.

Despite how far behind he was going into

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Associated Press

Dallas Cowboys quarterback Tony Romo (9) reacts after a botched play during the team's NFL football training camp July 30 in Oxnard, Calif.

Return to form

Midland's Young returns to course for the PGA Championship

By Oscar LeRoy
oleroy@mrt.com



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Steven Young, assistant golf professional is photographed at the pro shop at Midland Country Club on July 30.

Steven Young has played on golf's biggest stage before and has done just about everything he could have asked for during his golf career.

But this week at the PGA Championship at Whistling Straits in Kohler, Wisconsin, the nine-year assistant golf pro at Midland Country Club will experience it a little differently than his days as a touring professional.

"The biggest thing is having the kids and wife go with me," Young said. "The first majors I played in I was a single guy and not yet married. To have the family go with me is going to be special. I'm excited for them, more than anything. And then my parents are flying over from Scotland too."

The PGA Championship is the first major for the 38-year-old Young since playing in the British Open in 1998, which was his second straight appearance in the tournament.

Young admits he didn't play very well as he missed the cut both times. But just the experience of playing on golf's biggest stage proved to be enough for the young man from Iverallochy, Scotland, who was ranked as the No. 1 junior college golfer during his sophomore year at Midland College in 1996-97.

Young also played in the Walker Cup, representing Great Britain and Ireland, he played on the Nationwide, Hooters and Tight Lies tours and just missed gaining his PGA Tour card by one shot at the final stage of Qualifying School.

But after getting a taste of the professional golfer's life, Young decided he had enough and wanted to settle down and marry Joni, who he met while at MC.

When asked if he missed being a professional golfer, without hesitation he said he didn't.

"I work up here a lot. We're open seven days a week now, but I get to go home and see my kids," said Young who has a son Alec (11), Ava (7) and Maddi (2). "That to me, you can't put a price on that. The tour life is not as glamorous as you think. There are guys, who even on the PGA Tour are traveling and eating by themselves, and checking into these fantastic hotels, by themselves. How good is something if you can't enjoy it with someone you love? At times I think I could beat some of those guys but I know what they're going through."

While Young may be done with the professional touring life, he still has that competitor's itch. When he qualified to play in the PGA Professional National Championship at the Philadelphia Cricket Club in late June, Young said he set a goal to finish in the top 20, which would also qualify him for this week's tournament.

Young finished with a 69-71-72-73—285 total and placed 16th in a tournament that featured 312 golf professionals — including fellow MCC assistant pro Lee Rhind — from around the country.

Mission accomplished.

Young said the key to his play in that tournament was his attitude, which was bolstered by his good friend and caddy James Gripp.

"We kept it light," Young said. "We didn't get ahead of ourselves. When we left the golf course, we left golf on the course. We went and ate, hung out and watched TV shows. We didn't talk golf, rounds, shots. Sometimes you just need to switch off. You can't dwell on shots that you could have pulled off, should have pulled off. That was the biggest thing, we relaxed. Theses days I'm going to hit enough bad shots. I don't play enough golf to worry about it. (I) take the good and the bad."

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Rose with a 63 to tie Furyk at Firestone

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

AKRON, Ohio — Justin Rose went 30 straight holes without making a birdie. He made up for it in a big way Saturday at the Bridgestone Invitational with a 7-under 63 that gave him a share of the lead with Jim Furyk going into the final round.



Rose



Furyk

The last bunch of birdies made for a quick change on the leaderboard. Rose was four shots behind with four holes to play when he made a 10-foot birdie putt on the 15th, hit wedge into 3 feet for birdie on the par-5 16th and closed out his best round ever at Firestone with a 40-foot birdie on the 18th.

Furyk finished with six straight pars, and he had to work for the last one. His tee shot landed in a sand-filled divot, and he punched it short of the green in the rough and then chipped long onto the fringe behind the flag. But he rolled in that 12-foot putt for par and a 69 to join Rose at 9-under 201.

They were two shots ahead of Shane Lowry of Ireland, who had a 67.

Steve Bowditch also had a 63 and was in a group four shots behind that included Ian Poulter (65), Henrik Stenson (68) and Bubba Watson (69). Watson had a chance to get closer to the lead until he missed a short birdie putt on the 16th and dropped a shot on the next hole.

Still, what Rose did Saturday was enough evidence for any number of players to have a chance.

That most likely does not include Masters and U.S. Open champion Jordan Spieth, whose putting kept his 72 from being worse. Spieth finished with a double bogey to fall nine shots behind, all but assuring that Rory McIlroy will remain No. 1 going into the PGA Championship next week at Whistling Straits.

Rose had no such problems.

He made a pair of key par saves on the front nine that kept the momentum from his birdie-birdie start, and he didn't come seriously close to a bogey the rest of the way. As for the birdies? They were overdue.

Rose made birdie on the sixth hole of the opening round, went the last 12 holes without another, and then made 17 pars and one bogey on Friday. He started fast Saturday, and finished even better.

"I guess that shows it just evens out, really, if you can stay the course and stay patient, kind of believe that you're going to get your run eventually," Rose said. "Yesterday, I actually played really well. ... It just didn't happen yesterday. But came into today with a belief that I was still playing well."

He also decided he was showing Firestone too much respect with all the talk about firm conditions. Rose had been playing short of the flag and expected a bounce toward the hole. On Saturday, he decided to attack more often and was rewarded.

Now he's in position to capture his second World Golf Championship — Rose also won the WGC at Doral.

Furyk remains in position for his first, and it could happen at no better place than Firestone, the course where he was denied victory in 2001 after a seven-hole playoff with Tiger Woods and in 2012 when Furyk made double bogey on the last hole.

The slight pump of the fist when he made par on the last — a lot of emotion for Furyk — had nothing to do with staying tied for the lead. Furyk simply knows that every little shot can make a difference, and he had made bogey on his final hole the previous two days.

It wasn't easy. Furyk played out of the rough for so much of the back nine that when he finally piped one down the middle on the 18th, he was eager to get a short iron in his hand for a shot at birdie. Instead, he saw his ball sitting in so much sand in the divot that he had no choice but to punch an 8-iron.

Steelers great Bettis leads eclectic Hall of Fame Class

By Will Graves
Associated Press

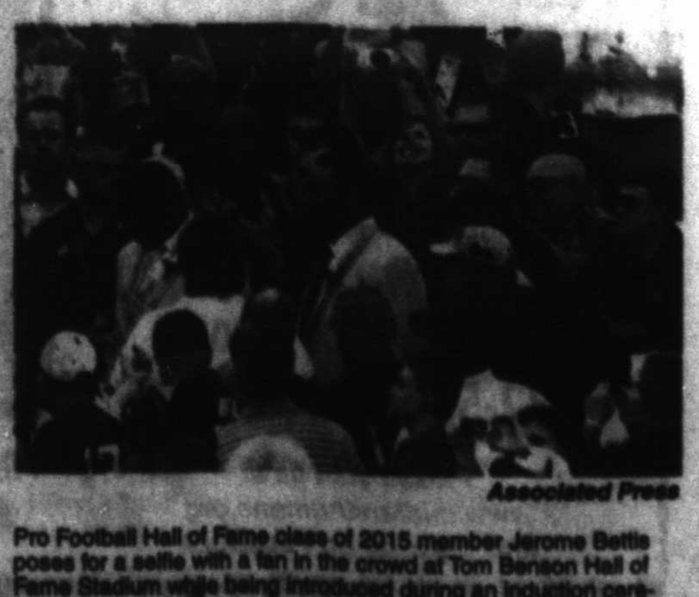
CANTON, Ohio — The humbled men in gold jackets were unmistakable.

So were the unending seas of yellow Terrible Towels there to greet them.

Pittsburgh Steelers running back Jerome Bettis headlined the Pro Football Hall of Fame Class of 2015 on Saturday night, the sixth-leading rusher in NFL history greeted by thousands of fans who made the short trip to Canton and gave the final stop of his singular career a decided western Pennsylvania flavor.

The capacity crowd at Tom Benson Stadium — most of them clad in some version of black-and-gold — roared as Bettis made his way down the red carpet, his enshrinement serving as the final destination for a player who embodied the blue-collar mentality of the city and the franchise he

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Associated Press

Pro Football Hall of Fame class of 2015 member Jerome Bettis poses for a selfie with a fan in the crowd at Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium while being introduced during an induction ceremony at the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio, Saturday.

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ON TV

Beach Volleyball
AVP: Seattle Open, 3:30 p.m., NBC

Canadian Football League
Winnipeg at Hamilton, 4 p.m., ESPNews

Cycling
Tour of Utah, Stage 7: Park City, 3 p.m., FS2

Little League World Series
Louisiana/Texas West winner vs Oklahoma/Colorado winner, 5 p.m., LHN
Arkansas/Texas East winner vs Mississippi/New Mexico winner, 8:30 p.m., LHN

Major League Baseball
San Francisco at Chic. Cubs, 1 p.m., TBS
Texas at Seattle, 3 p.m., FSSW
Houston at Oakland, 3 p.m., ROOT
LA Dodgers at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m., ESPN/ESPNDEP

Men's Soccer
English Championship: Preston North End FC vs Middlesborough FC, 5:55 a.m., beIN/beIN2
English Premier: Arsenal vs West Ham, 7:30 a.m., NBCSN/NBCU
English Premier: Newcastle vs West Hampton, 7:30 a.m., NBCET
DFB Pokal: FC Nottingen vs Bayern Munich, 8:55 a.m., ESPNDEP
Eredivisie: AZ Alkmaar vs AFC Ajax, 9 a.m., UDN
French Ligue 1: Toulouse FC vs AS Saint-Etienne, 9:55 a.m., beIN
French Ligue 1: FC Girondins de Bordeaux vs Stade Reims, 9:55 a.m., beIN2
English Premier: Stoke City vs Liverpool, 10 a.m., NBCSN/TELE
Liga MX: Toluca vs Morelia, Noon, UNIV/UDN
French Ligue 1: Olympique Lyonnais vs FC Lorient, 1:55 p.m., beIN/beIN2
Brazil: Sao Paulo vs Corinthians, 2 p.m., GolTV
MLS: Seattle at Los Angeles, 3 p.m., ESPN/ESPNDEP
Swiss Super League: BSC Young Boys vs FC Thun 1898, 4 p.m., beIN
Liga MX: Puebla vs Cougars, 5 p.m., UDN
MLS: New York City at New York Red Bulls, 6 p.m., FS1/FOXDEP
Liga MX: Tigers vs Guadalajara, 7 p.m., UDN

Motorsports
MotoGP: Moto3 Indianapolis, 11 a.m., FS1
MotoGP: Indianapolis, Noon, FS1
MotoGP: Indianapolis World Championship, 1 p.m., FS1
Sprint Cup: Cheez-It 355 at the Glen, 1 p.m., NBCSN
United Sportscar: Road America, 2 p.m., FS1
National Football League Hall of Fame Game: Minnesota vs Pittsburgh, 7 p.m., NBC

Softball
Big League World Series: Final, 11 a.m., ESPN

Tennis
ATP: Citi Open, Doubles Final, 11:30 a.m., TENNIS
ATP: Citi Open, Final, 2 p.m., TENNIS
WTA: Bank of the West Classic, Final, 4 p.m., ESPN2
WTA: Citi Open, Final, 4 p.m., TENNIS

WNBA
Phoenix at Chicago, 1 p.m., ESPN
Connecticut at Washington, 3 p.m., NBAtv
Los Angeles at Minnesota, 6 p.m., NBAtv

Women's Soccer
Portland at Chicago, 8:30 p.m., FS1

RADIO

Major League Baseball
Texas at Seattle, 3 p.m., KBST 1490 AM (Big Spring)
Texas League Baseball
Midland at Corpus Chirsti, 6 p.m., KCRS 550 AM

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Agreed to terms with OF John Mayberry Jr. on a minor league contract.
CLEVELAND INDIANS — Assigned LHP Michael Roth outright to Columbus (IL). Placed RHP Cody Anderson on the 15-day DL. Optioned OF Tyler Holt to Columbus. Recalled OF Abraham Almonte and RHP Shawn Armstrong from Columbus.
HOUSTON ASTROS — Transferred RHP Samuel Deduno to the 60-day DL.
MINNESOTA TWINS — Designated C Eric Fryer for assignment. Optioned RHP Tyler Duffey to Rochester (IL). Recalled C Chris Herrmann and RHP Jul Achter from Rochester. Sent OF Byron Buxton to Rochester for a rehab assignment. Agreed to terms with RHPs Omar Bencomo and Nick Anderson on minor league contracts.
OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Sent LHP Sean Doolittle to Stockton (Cal) for a rehab assignment.
TEXAS RANGERS — Optioned OF Ryan Rua to Round Rock (PCL). Agreed to terms with RHP Ross Ohlendorf on a minor league contract.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Traded SS Dawel Lugo to Arizona for INF Cliff Pennington and cash.
National League
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Optioned RHP Allen Webster to Reno (PCL). Selected the contract of LHP Keith Hessler from Reno.
ATLANTA BRAVES — Recalled OF Todd Cunningham from Gwinnett (IL).
CHICAGO CUBS — Optioned OF Matt Szczur to Iowa (PCL). Reinstated C Miguel Montero from the 15-day DL.
MIAMI MARLINS — Placed RHPs Andre Rienzo and Jose Urena on the 15-day DL. Rienzo retroactive to Tuesday. Selected the contract of RHP Kyle Barraclough from Jacksonville (SL). Recalled RHP Kendrys Flores from New Orleans (PCL).
NEW YORK METS — Sent OF Michael Cuddyer to St. Lucie (FSL) for a rehab assignment.
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES — Optioned RHP Dalier Hinojosa and OF Jordan Danks to Lehigh Valley (IL).
PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Assigned RHP Vance Worley outright to Indianapolis (IL).
WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Placed 2B Dan Uggla on the 15-day DL. Reinstated RHP Stephen Strasburg from the 15-day DL.
American Association
FARGO-MOORHEAD REDHAWKS — Released OF Tyler Peterson.
GARY SOUTHSHORE RAILCATS — Released RHP Ryan Quigley.
JOPLIN BLASTERS — Released OF Gabe Suarez and LHP Gabe Garcia.
SIOUX FALLS CANARIES — Traded RHP Tyler Pearson to Amarillo to complete an earlier trade.
ST. PAUL SAINTS — Signed C Aaron Gretz.
Can-Am League
NEW JERSEY JACKALS — Traded OF Jamel Austin, RHP Julio Rodriguez and cash to Sussex County for RHP Shawn Sanford.
OTTAWA CHAMPIONS — Signed C Nick Lecompte and INF Kevin Carr.
ROCKLAND BOULDERS — Signed RHP Pat Butler.
SUSSEX COUNTY MINERS — Released 1B Brett Zazulski and RHP Matt Branham.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
DETROIT LIONS — Waived CB Ethan Davis.
PITTSBURGH STEELERS — Waived/injured S Isaiah Lewis. Signed S Jordan Dangerfield.
LACROSSE
National Lacrosse League
BUFFALO BANDITS — Agreed to terms with F Daryl Veltman on a two-year copntract. Re-signed T Mitch Wilde and G Rance Vigneux to one-year contracts.
COLLEGE
PENN STATE — Dismissed LB Darquan Kelly from the football team.

MLS STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
D.C. United	13	7	5	44	34	26
New York	9	6	6	33	33	25
Toronto FC	9	9	4	31	37	38
Columbus	8	8	7	31	36	36
New England	8	9	7	31	32	36
Montreal	8	9	4	28	29	31
Orlando City	7	10	7	28	32	37
New York City FC	6	10	6	24	31	34
Philadelphia	6	13	5	23	29	40
Chicago	6	12	4	22	24	31

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Vancouver	12	8	3	39	30	22
FC Dallas	11	8	5	38	32	27
Sporting Kansas City	10	7	7	37	33	22
Los Angeles	10	7	7	37	39	29
Portland	10	8	6	36	25	28
Seattle	10	11	2	32	25	24
Real Salt Lake	7	8	8	29	27	33
Houston	7	7	7	28	28	27
San Jose	7	9	5	26	22	27
Colorado	5	7	9	24	19	22

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie

SATURDAY'S GAMES
Sporting Kansas City 3, Toronto FC 1
Orlando City 0, Philadelphia 0, tie
D.C. United 1, Montreal 0
San Jose at Houston, late
Columbus at Colorado, late
Real Salt Lake at Vancouver, late

SUNDAY'S GAMES
Seattle at Los Angeles, 3 p.m.
New York City FC at New York, 6 p.m.

WNBA STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	14	6	.700	—
Washington	12	8	.600	2
Chicago	13	9	.591	2
Indiana	12	9	.571	2½
Connecticut	11	9	.550	3
Atlanta	7	14	.333	7½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	15	6	.714	—
Phoenix	14	7	.667	1
Tulsa	10	12	.455	5½
Los Angeles	7	14	.333	8
San Antonio	7	16	.304	9
Seattle	5	17	.227	10½

SUNDAY'S GAMES
Phoenix at Chicago, 1 p.m.
Connecticut at Washington, 3 p.m.
Atlanta at Tulsa, 3:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at Minnesota, 6 p.m.

FISHING REPORT

ALAN HENRY: Water stained; 79-86 degrees; 0.01 feet low. Black bass are fair on topwaters early, spinnerbaits, Texas rigs and weightless flukes. Crappie are fair to good on jigs and minnows. Catfish are fair on chartreuse (use Worm-Glo) nightcrawlers.

ARROWHEAD: Water off color; 78-87 degrees; 0.04 feet low. No report available.

COLORADO CITY: 18.32 feet low. No report available.

FORT PHANTOM HILL: Water clear; 80-88 degrees; 6.83 feet low. Black bass are fair on Texas rigs, shakyheads and medium running crankbaits. Crappie are fair to good on jigs and minnows. Catfish are fair on nightcrawlers.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water off color; 81-89 degrees; 17.75 feet low. Black bass are fair to good on Yellow Magics early, later switching to chatterbaits, Texas rigs and jigs. Crappie are fair to good on jigs and minnows. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers and live shad.

OAK CREEK: Water stained; 79-87 degrees; 17.78 feet low. Black bass are fair to good on topwaters early, later switching to Carolina rigs, spinnerbaits, Texas rigs and crankbaits. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs under a slip cork. Catfish are fair on chartreuse (use Worn-Glo) nightcrawlers.

O.H. IVIE: Water stained; 79-86 degrees; 41.29 feet low. Black bass are good on Yellow Magics early, later switching to shakyheads, Texas rigs, split shot rigged flukes and crankbaits. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs fished shallow. Catfish are fair to good on live bait.

Excitement in the air as football season approaches



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It's easy to tell that football season is around the corner when the temperatures reach the triple digits.

For high school programs that didn't have spring practices, workouts began this past week.

As always, when visiting these teams for the first time, players and coaches are optimistic about the upcoming season.

And they should be. You want a team with some confidence going into the season, otherwise the season is lost before it gets started.

Now I don't know if we're going to see a team make a long run to the playoffs, let alone make a trip to Houston for a state championship, but there are plenty of interesting story lines to go around.

Every program lost several key players from last year to graduation, but maybe none was bigger than Big Spring losing quarterback Tobyn Tannehill to graduation.

Tannehill accounted for a large chunk of the Steers' offense thanks to his arm and his feet. Now Garrett Wigington, a senior, makes the move from playing tight end and linebacker to playing quarterback, as well as linebacker. If there's any player on that team that's ready to step up to the challenge, it is Wigington, thanks to his leadership and willingness to learn.

Andrews has high hopes this season thanks in part to an offense that looks as explosive as ever with junior Triston Williams taking over at quarterback. While the Mustangs only have three returning starters from last year's 10-2 team, they believe they will be just fine with plenty of experienced players taking over starting roles.

I'll be interested to see how far the Mustangs can go this season.

Speaking of Andrews, former offensive coordinator Fred Dietz brings the spread offense to Coahoma this year after the Bulldogs ran the Wing-T for the last five years under Trey Gardner.

After visiting with the Bulldogs on Wednesday, Dietz and the players seem excited about what they can do with the offense. They just need to get used to running a more uptempo offense.

Sounds like Midland Christian has plenty of talent lined up this year to battle in the ultra-competitive TAPPS Division I District 1. That district has to be among the toughest among either private or public schools in the state. And believe me, every team has talent. Last year's state champion, Dallas Bishop Dunne, had four players sign with FBS programs, including wide receiver A.D. Miller with Oklahoma and defensive lineman Darron Daniels with Oklahoma State.

This week, the Class 6A football programs begin two-a-days in preparation for the upcoming season. Both Midland High and Lee are looking to improve after finishing fourth and sixth respectively in District 3-6A. They both seem like they have a chance to do so, but we'll just have to see when their respective seasons kick off than three weeks from today.

For an in depth look at the high school football season, be sure to check out our annual football section, which comes out in the Aug. 23 edition.

■ And finally, best of luck to Midland Country Club assistant professional Steven Young, who competes in the PGA Championship this week in Wisconsin.

Young is playing in his first major since the 1998 British Open and the Scotland native appears to be taking it all in stride.

I covered Young during his sophomore season at Midland College back in 1997 and he always came across as even keel and focused.

Not much has changed since those days at Midland College. Young is just older and a devoted family man, who is relishing this moment he will get to spend with his family at Whistling Straits.

By the way, Young is the sixth former Chap to play in the PGA Championship, joining current PGA Tour professional Chad Campbell, Andrew Coltart, Kenneth Ferrie, Jeff Cranford and current MCC assistant professional Lee Rhind.

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Back to you, MP: Phelps looks to answer Le Clos in 100 fly

By Paul Newberry
Associated Press



Associated Press

Michael Phelps competes in the preliminary round of the men's 100-meter butterfly at the the U.S. swimming nationals, Saturday in San Antonio.

SAN ANTONIO — Get ready for the Thrilla in Rio.

A tantalizing rivalry at pool is unfolding with the 2016 Summer Games just a year away as Michael Phelps and Chad le Clos duel from afar, spiced up by the South African's willingness to send a few verbal jabs at the winningest athlete in Olympic history.

Apparently, Le Clos is a bit miffed that Phelps jumped back into the 200-meter butterfly earlier this year with some pointed comments about the times not improving all that much while he was in retirement.

Le Clos has made it clear that he's not intimidated by Phelps — especially after pulling off a stunning upset in that event in the 2012 London Games.

After Phelps turned in a stunning time in the 200 fly at the U.S. national championship Friday evening — the fastest by any swimmer since he set the world record in a high-tech suit in 2009 — Le Clos responded Saturday with a dazzling performance to win the 100 fly at the world championships in Kazan, Russia.

"I'm just very happy that he's back to his good form, so he can't come out and say, 'Oh, I haven't been training' or all that rubbish that he's been talking," said Le Clos, who won with a time of 50.56 seconds — faster than Phelps' gold medal-winning performance in 2012.

"Next year is going to be Muhammad Ali-Joe Frazier."

Phelps hasn't called out Le Clos by name but made it clear that he wants to go faster in the secondary meet at San Antonio than the winning times in Kazan in his three main races: the 100 and 200 fly, as well as the 200 individual medley. He had to settle for competing in the U.S. nationals after being removed for the U.S. world championship team as part of his punishment for a second drunken-driving arrest.

Phelps won with a time of 1:52.94 — faster than Le Clos' winning time at the last Summer Olympics or Laszlo Cseh's performance in Kazan, where Le Clos was the runner-up.

"I think we're in a pretty good place right now," Phelps said. "I'm just going to let that" — taking a quick glance toward the scoreboard — "keep doing the talking."

Le Clos was more outspoken. He said it's easier for Phelps to put up good times in San Antonio because he's not racing the best swimmers in the world.

"Look, I don't want to say it's easy to swim by yourself, but it's a lot harder when you know Chad le Clos is coming back at you the last 50 meters," Le Clos said. "That's what he's got to think about really."

Phelps' coach, Bob Bowman, said his swimmer will undoubtedly take note of everything Le Clos says.

"He's a motivation machine," Bowman said of Phelps. "He can turn anything into motivation."

Phelps was looking to best Le Clos' time when he competing in the final of the 100 fly on a sweltering Saturday evening in south Texas. He was a bit sluggish in the morning preliminaries, posting the second-fastest time of 52.12. Jack Conger was the top qualifier in 51.97.

"I was a little slow getting up this morning. I hurt a little bit," Phelps said, describing his race as "blah."

"Nothing really exciting about it," he added.

Phelps started slowly and reached the midway point in the middle of the pack, though he did power through the final lap to touch ahead of everyone in his heat.

"I guess I was out a little slow," Phelps said. "That's something I've got to fix for tonight. I need to be about a second faster."

Since coming out of retirement in early 2014, Phelps had struggled to get back to where he was at the height of his career. Also, he took a break from training after his DUI arrest, going through six weeks of inpatient therapy in Arizona.

His performance in the 200 fly showed that he's capable of reclaiming his dominance in the pool. But the emotions of the swim — and what he's been through over the past year — were a bit overwhelming.

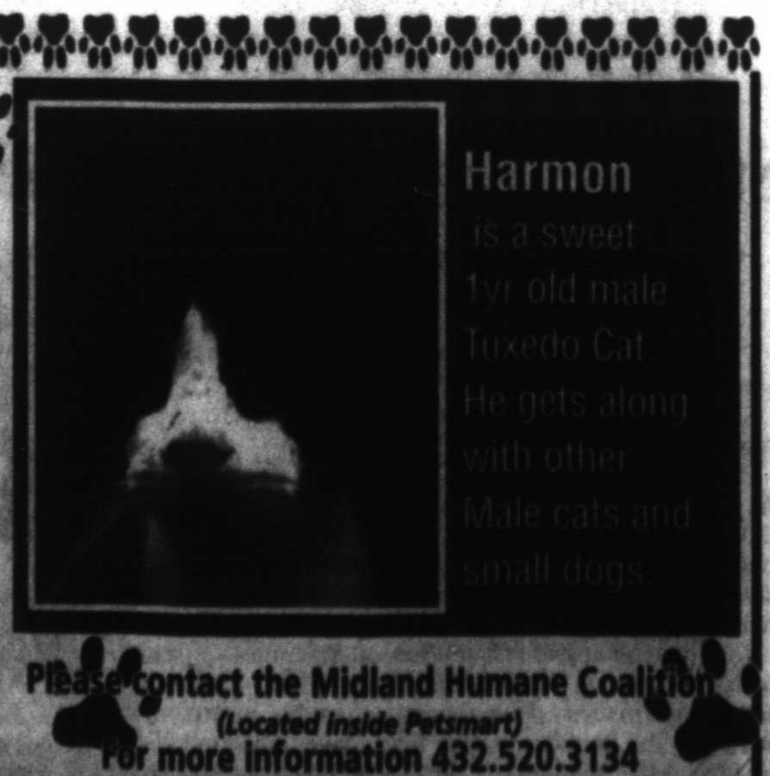
"I think a big thing I really have to focus on over the next year is being able to control the physical and emotional energy," Phelps said. "It's been a long time since I've done a swim like that. That was close to probably my best 200 fly ever. I have to be able to balance the energy a little bit better than I did."

Asked his goal for the 100 fly final, he pointed to Le Clos' winning time in Kazan.

"Faster than them," Phelps said, smiling.

Bring it on, said Le Clos' father.

"However fast Michael goes, we go faster. I'm serious," Bert Le Clos told The Associated Press in Kazan, adding that he wasn't even bothering to check Phelps' times anymore. "I don't care about his times, because I know my son is going to beat him."

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Associated Press

Texas Rangers third baseman Adrian Beltre throws to first on an RBI single by Seattle Mariners' Brad Miller during the fourth inning of a baseball game Saturday in Seattle.

MLBROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

RANGERS 11
MARINERS 3, 11 INNINGS

SEATTLE — The Texas Rangers scored eight runs in the 11th inning, including a two-run homer by Prince Fielder, to pull away from Seattle.

Texas opened the inning with seven straight hits, the first six off Rob Rasmussen (1-1). Fielder's homer was the eighth hit of the frame for the Rangers and marked the third time this year the Mariners have given up eight runs in an inning.

The offensive outburst came after the Mariners were unable to drive home a run in the bottom of the 10th. Shawn Tolleson (4-2) intentionally walked Nelson Cruz and Robinson Cano to load the bases with two outs. The move worked, as Tolleson struck out Jesus Montero to end the inning.

Texas has won five of six and snapped a six-game losing streak against the Mariners.

The Rangers scored three times in the fourth on a run-scoring double by Fielder, an RBI single by Josh Hamilton and a bases-loaded walk to Chris Gimenez.

ATHLETICS 2
ASTROS 1

OAKLAND, Calif. — Danny Valencia delivered an early two-run double and right-hander Jesse Chavez went seven impressive innings to lead Oakland to a victory over Houston.

Valencia produced in his second straight game as Oakland's new cleanup hitter, ripping a two-run double to the gap in right field in the bottom of the first. He finished 2 for 4 and is 5 for 12 with three RBIs in three games since the A's acquired him off waivers from the Toronto Blue Jays on Monday.

Chavez (6-11) allowed an earned run, six hits and four walks while striking out four to record his first victory since July 19. Chavez completed at least seven innings for the first time since June 17, a span of nine outings. He rebounded nicely from a bad start on Monday when he gave up six earned runs in 3 2/3 innings in a 9-2 loss to the Baltimore Orioles.

BLUE JAYS 6
YANKEES 0

NEW YORK — David Price pitched three-hit ball for seven innings, Justin Smoak lined Toronto's first grand slam in the Bronx and the Blue Jays beat the New York Yankees 6-0 Saturday for their seventh straight win.

Newcomer Troy Tulowitzki also homered as Toronto closed within 2 1/2 games of the AL East leaders.

With two wins in a row, the Blue Jays became the first team to take a set against the Yankees since early July. On Sunday, Toronto will try to sweep them in a series of at least three games for the first time since May 2003.

INDIANS 17
TWINS 4

CLEVELAND — Jerry Sands had a pinch-hit grand slam and Abraham Almonte, called up from the minors before the game, was 4 for 5 with a two-run homer, leading Cleveland to a victory over Minnesota.

Trevor Bauer (9-8) won for the first time since July 8, allowing four runs in 6 1/3 innings. He gave up solo homers to Joe Mauer and Eddie Rosario and a two-run homer to Kurt Suzuki.

TIGERS 7
RED SOX 6

DETROIT — Victor Martinez hit a two-run homer in the seventh inning and Detroit Tigers held off David Ortiz and Boston for the win.

Ortiz had three hits, including a home run in the sixth. His two-run single in the seventh gave Boston a 6-5 lead, but Martinez answered with a long drive down the right-field line off reliever Junichi Tazawa (2-5).

Rajai Davis also homered for the Tigers, and Ian Kinsler and James McCann had three hits apiece. Blaine Hardy (4-2) won in relief.

ROYALS 7
WHITE SOX 6

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Kendrys Morales and Salvador Perez each drove in two runs and Kansas City overcame Jose Abreu's two home runs to beat Chicago.

Perez, who had been in a 6-for-32 skid, had a two-out single in the three-run fourth. Morales and Perez picked up back-to-back run-producing doubles with two out in a four-run fifth.

White Sox right-hander Jeff Samardzija (8-6) failed to make it out of the fifth, giving up seven runs on six hits.

Interleague

RAYS 5
METS 4

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Grady Sizemore and Kevin Kiermaier each drove in two runs to erase an early deficit as Tampa Bay stopped NL East-leading New York's seven-game winning streak.

Tampa Bay relievers Xavier Cedeno, Steve Geltz, Jake McGee and Brad Boxberger, who pitched the ninth for his 28th save, combined for four hitless innings. Rays starter Nathan Karns (7-5) allowed four runs and eight hits in five innings.

Curtis Granderson homered twice for the Mets, who blew a 3-0 first-inning lead.

National League

PIRATES 6
DODGERS 5

PITTSBURGH — Left-hander Francisco Liriano hit the first home run of his 10-year career and Andrew McCutchen went 3 for 3 as Pittsburgh held on to beat Los Angeles.

Liriano hit a three-run shot in the second inning in his 160th career at-bat to put the Pirates ahead 4-2. However, he could not hold the lead as he wound up allowing four runs in three innings.

CARDINALS 3
BREWERS 0

MILWAUKEE — Matt Carpenter hit a leadoff home run, Jaime Garcia pitched two-hit ball for seven innings and St. Louis made it three straight shutout victories with a win over Milwaukee.

The Cardinals have thrown 36 consecutive scoreless innings since the fourth inning of Wednesday's 13-inning 4-3 win. Michael Wacha won his team-leading 13th game, stopping Cincinnati 3-0 on Thursday. Lance Lynn beat Milwaukee 6-0 Friday night in the opener of the three-game series.

On Saturday, Garcia (4-4) walked four, struck out five and allowed Jean Segura's hit in the first and Elian Herrera's in the third. The left-hander won for the first time in three starts since coming off the 15-day disabled list on July 28 with a strained left groin.

NATIONALS 6
ROCKIES 1

WASHINGTON — Stephen Strasburg returned to Washington's rotation with a bang, striking out 12 in seven innings and contributing three hits as the Nationals beat Colorado.

The right-hander had been on the disabled list since a left oblique strain forced him out after 3 2-3 innings against the San Francisco Giants on July 4. He went to the disabled list for the second time this season before being reinstated Saturday. He allowed one run and three hits.

CUBS 8
GIANTS 6

CHICAGO — Kris Bryant homered and drove in three runs to help surging Chicago beat San Francisco.

Bryant's big day powered Chicago to its third straight win and ninth in 10 games. He also walked and scored on Miguel Montero's tiebreaking single in the fifth inning as the Cubs opened a 2 1/2-game lead over San Francisco in the race for the second NL wild card.

BRAVES 7
MARLINS 2

ATLANTA — Rookie Mike Foltynewicz won for the first time in three starts since returning to the Braves rotation as Atlanta downed slumping Miami.

Nick Markakis had three hits and an RBI to extend his hitting streak to 15 games, the National League's longest active streak. His run-scoring single in the fifth inning gave the Braves the lead for good.

Foltynewicz (4-3) allowed two runs and five hits in 5 2/3 innings, walking four and hitting a batter while striking out three. The Braves have won five of seven.

'HOUNDSREPORT

FROM STAFF REPORTS

ROCKHOUNDS 5, HOOKS 4
at Whataburger Field, Corpus Christi

TOP HITTERS: Rock-Hounds third baseman Ryon Healy went 2-for-4 with a pair of RBI to lead Midland. ... Second baseman Colin Walsh finished 3-for-5 with an RBI and two runs scored. ...Corpus Christi third baseman Colin Moran collected two hits — both home runs — in four at-bats. He also drove in three runs and scored two.

TOP PITCHERS: Midland starter Jake Sanchez got his 10th win as he tossed seven innings, allowing two runs on six hits, while striking out six and walking three. ... Hooks starter Brian Holmes pitched 6 2/3 innings and gave up two runs on four hits. He fanned eight RockHounds batters, walked two and didn't get a decision.

HIGHLIGHTS: Midland grabbed a 1-0 lead in the top of the first on Chad Pinder's RBI double that scored Walsh. ... Olson followed with an RBI single to make it 2-0. ...In the bottom of the sixth, Moran clubbed a two-run homer to left center field to tie the game at 2-2. ... Healy knocked a two-RBI single in the top of the eighth, scoring Walsh and Pinder. ... Moran hit his second homer of the game — his sixth of the season — in the bottom of the frame to make it 4-3 Midland. ... Walsh plated the RockHounds' fifth run of the night with a single in the ninth.

NOTES: Healy extended his hitting streak to nine games following his 2-for-4 outing on Saturday. His season average is now up to .298. ... Midland's Matt Olson is on an extended hot streak, as he's hitting .303 (41-135) over his last 37 games. ...The RockHounds will look for the series win against Corpus Christi, at 6:05 p.m. today.

TODAY'S PROBABLES:
Midland — LHP Dillon Overton (3-2, 4.63); Corpus Christi — RHP Michael Feliz (5-2, 2.63)

ROCKHOUNDS 5, HOOKS 4

Midland	ab	r	h	bi	Corpus Christi	ab	r	h	bi
Brugman cf	4	0	1	0	Vasquez lf	4	0	2	0
Walsh 2b	5	2	3	1	Hernandez cf	5	1	2	1
Pinder ss	4	2	1	1	Moran 3b	5	2	2	3
Olson rf	4	0	1	1	Reed dh	4	0	1	0
R. Healy 3b	4	0	2	2	Kemmer rf	4	0	1	0
Alioto 1b	4	0	0	0	Mayfield 2b	3	0	0	0
Whitaker lf	3	0	0	0	Gregor 1b	4	0	1	0
Maxwell c	3	1	1	0	Pena c	3	1	1	0
Rickles dh	3	0	0	0	Mier ss	4	0	0	0
Totals	34	5	9	5	Totals	36	4	10	4

Midland ..... 200 000 021 — 5
Hooks ..... 000 002 011 — 4

E — Mier (18). DP — Midland 1, Corpus Christi 2. LOB — Midland 7, Corpus Christi 8. 2B — Pinder (24), Vasquez (4), Hernandez (11). HR — Moran 2 (6). CS — Brugman (8).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Midland						
Sanchez W, 10-7	7.0	6	2	2	3	6
Joseph	1.0	2	1	1	0	1
McCurry S, 1	1.0	2	1	1	0	1
Corpus Christi						
Holmes	6.2	4	2	2	2	8
Alaniz L, 4-3	1.1	3	2	2	1	1
Baltes	1.0	1	0	0	1	0

HBP — by Alaniz (Pinder).
T — 2:41. A — 7,686.

TL standings

Second Half
North Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Amarillo	33	23	.589	—
Arkansas	32	25	.561	1½
Tulsa	31	25	.554	2
Northwest Arkansas	15	37	.352	17½

South Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Midland	39	19	.672	—
Corpus Christi	34	19	.642	4
Frisco	28	22	.479	7½
San Antonio	17	33	.340	17

x-clinched first half

Saturday's Scores
Springfield 5, Arkansas 4
Frisco 5, San Antonio 3
Midland 5, Corpus Christi 4
Tulsa 5, Northwest Arkansas 2, 12 innings

Today's Games
Midland at Corpus Christi, 6:05 p.m.
San Antonio at Frisco, 6:05 p.m.
Amarillo at Springfield, 6:10 p.m.
Northwest Arkansas at Tulsa, 7:05 p.m.

MIDLAND PLAYERS IN PRO LEAGUES

Here is an update through August 9 of baseball players from Midland or players with a Midland connection who are active and playing professional baseball.

Pitchers

Carson Smith (Midland Christian), RHP, Seattle Mariners

G	W-L	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
49	44-2	11	31	14	13	9	8	38	2.82

Jim Henderson (Midland College), RHP, Colorado Springs Sky Sox (Milwaukee Brewers Triple-A)

G	IP	W-L	SV	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
20	21.1	1-1	1	22	10	10	16	20	4.22

Logan Bawcom (Greenwood, Midland College), RHP, Tacoma Rainiers (Seattle Mariners Triple-A)

G	IP	W-L	SV	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
35	60.0	2-2	1	67	36	31	25	45	4.65

Reid Redman (Midland Christian, Midland College), RHP, Northwest Arkansas (Kansas City Royals Double-A), 7-day disabled list

G	IP	W-L	SV	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
9	17.1	0-0	1	17	8	7	1	14	3.63

Jason Zgardzinski (Midland College), RHP
Lakewood BlueClaws (Philadelphia Phillies Single A)

G	IP	W-L	SV	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
19	32.0	1-1	0	22	14	14	14	25	3.94

Williamsport Crosscutters (Philadelphia Phillies Short-A)

G	IP	W-L	SV	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
6	3.0	1-0	2	5	2	2	4	9	2.25

Matt Withrow (Midland Christian), RHP, Danville Braves (Atlanta Braves Rookie)

G	IP	W-L	SV	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
8	28.1	0-1	0	29	14	13	10	19	4.13

Thomas McIlraith (Midland College), RHP Kingsport Mets (New York Mets Rookie)

G	IP	W-L	SV	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
7	24.2	3-0	0	19	6	5	15	20	1.82

Position Players

Hunter Redman (Midland Christian, Midland College), C, Oklahoma City Dodgers (L.A. Dodgers Triple-A)

AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SB	Avg.
3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	9	.667

Ogden Raptors (L.A. Dodgers Rookie), 7 day disabled list

AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SB	Avg.
6	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	.333

Blair Beck (Midland High, Midland College), OF, Princeton Rays (Tampa Bay Rays Rookie)

AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SB	Avg.
45	10	13	3	0	2	7	11	1	.289

GCL Rays (Tampa Bay Rays Rookie)

AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SB	Avg.
47	4	7	2	0	0	5	6	1	.149

Chris Shaw (Midland College), C, Aberdeen IronBirds (Baltimore Orioles Single-A Short Season)

AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SB	Avg.
31	5	8	4	0	0	3	3	0	.258

GCL Orioles (Baltimore Orioles Rookie)

AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SB	Avg.
17	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	.059

MLB GLANCE

Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	61	48	.560	—
Toronto	60	52	.536	2½
Baltimore	55	53	.509	5½
Tampa Bay	55	56	.495	7
Boston	49	62	.441	13

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Kansas City	65	44	.596	—
Minnesota	55	55	.500	10½
Detroit	54	56	.491	11½
Chicago	51	57	.472	13½
Cleveland	50	59	.459	15

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	61	51	.545	—
Los Angeles	59	50	.537	1
Texas	55	54	.505	4½
Seattle	51	60	.459	9½
Oakland	50	62	.446	11

NATIONAL LEAGUE
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	59	51	.536	—
Washington	57	52	.523	1½
Atlanta	51	60	.459	8½
Philadelphia	43	67	.391	16
Miami	43	68	.387	16½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	71	39	.645	—
Pittsburgh	64	44	.593	6
Chicago	61	49	.555	9½
Cincinnati	48	61	.440	21½
Milwaukee	47	63	.427	23

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	62	49	.594	—
San Francisco	59	51	.536	3
Arizona	53	56	.486	8
San Diego	52	59	.468	10
Colorado	46	62	.426	15

Saturday's scores

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Toronto 6, N.Y. Yankees 0
Oakland 2, Houston 1
Texas 11, Seattle 3, 11 innings
Detroit 7, Boston 6
Kansas City 7, Chicago White Sox 6
Cleveland 17, Minnesota 4
Baltimore at L.A. Angels, late

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Pittsburgh 6, L.A. Dodgers 5
Chicago Cubs 8, San Francisco 6
Washington 6, Colorado 1
Miami 7, Atlanta 2
St. Louis 3, Milwaukee 0
Cincinnati at Arizona, ppd.
Philadelphia at San Diego, late

INTERLEAGUE
Tampa Bay 5, N.Y. Mets 4

Today's games

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Toronto (Estrada 9-8) at N.Y. Yankees (Tanaka 9-4), 12:05 p.m.
Boston (Owens 0-1) at Detroit (Verlander 1-4), 12:08 p.m.
Minnesota (Pelfrey 10-7) at Cleveland (Kluber 9-12), 12:10 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Quintana 6-9) at Kansas City (G.Duffy 5-5), 1:10 p.m.
Baltimore (Gausman 9-8) at L.A. Angels (Weaver 4-8), 2:37 p.m.
Houston (Fiers 0-0) at Oakland (Bassitt 1-4), 3:05 p.m.
Texas (Lewis 12-4) at Seattle (F.Hernandez 13-6), 3:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
N.Y. Mets (B.Colon 10-10) at Tampa Bay (Archer 10-8), 12:10 p.m.
Colorado (Flande 2-1) at Washington (Scherzer 11-6), 12:35 p.m.
St. Louis (Lackey 9-7) at Milwaukee (Nelson 9-9), 1:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Peavy 2-4) at Chicago Cubs (Arrieta 12-6), 1:20 p.m.
Cincinnati (DeSclafani 7-7) at Arizona (Corbin 2-3), 3:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (J.Williams 3-8) at San Diego (Cashner 4-11), 3:10 p.m.
Miami (E.Hand 1-2) at Atlanta (S.Miller 5-8), 4:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (A.Wood 7-7) at Pittsburgh (Morton 7-4), 7:05 p.m.

INTERLEAGUE
N.Y. Mets (B.Colon 10-10) at Tampa Bay (Archer 10-8), 12:10 p.m.

Monday's games

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Detroit at Kansas City, 7:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels at Chicago White Sox, 7:10 p.m.
Baltimore at Seattle, 9:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Colorado at N.Y. Mets, 6:10 p.m.
Philadelphia at Arizona, 6:40 p.m.
Cincinnati at San Diego, 9:10 p.m.
Washington at L.A. Dodgers, 9:10 p.m.

Texas box scores

ATHLETICS 2, ASTROS 1

Houston	ab	r	h	bi	Oakland	ab	r	h	bi
Altuve 2b	4	0	2	0	Burns cf	3	1	0	0
Gattis dh	3	0	0	0	Crisp lf	4	0	1	0
Correa ss	3	0	0	0	Fuld lf	1	0	0	0
C.Pinto rf	4	0	1	0	Reddick rf	4	0	1	0
Carter dh	4	0	1	0	Valencia dh	4	0	2	2
Fuld lf	3	1	1	0	Vogt c	4	0	1	0
Wong 2b	4	0	1	0	Lowrie 3b	3	0	0	0
Valaika 3b	3	0	1	0	Davis 1b	3	0	1	0
Castro c	3	0	0	0	Punto ss	3	0	0	0
Marisnick cf	3	0	0	0	Barton 2b	3	0	0	0
Totals	32	1	6	0	Totals	31	1	5	1

Houston ..... 000 000 100 — 1
Oakland ..... 200 000 00x — 2

DP — Houston 1, Oakland 1. LOB — Houston 6, Oakland 6. 2B — Valencia (12). HR — Valencia (15). SB — Burns (23).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
McHugh L, 13-6	6	5	2	2	3	8
Sipp	1-3	0	0	0	0	2
Qualls	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Oakland						
Chavez W, 6-11	7	6	1	1	4	4
Pomeranz H, 10	1	0	0	0	1	1
Mujica S, 1-3	1	0	0	0	0	0

Pomeranz pitched to 1 batter in the 9th.
Balk — Mujica.
T — 2:51. A — 25,091 (35,067).

RANGERS 11, MARINERS 3, 11 INNINGS

Texas	ab	r	h	bi	Seattle	ab	r	h	bi
DSmith cf	6	1	3	2	Kivlehn ss	5	0	0	0
Stroop lf	4	1	1	0	Zunino c	5	0	1	0
Fielder dh	6	2	2	3	Seager 3b	5	0	1	0
Beltre 3b	5	1	1	0	N.Cruz dh	4	1	2	0
Napoli 1b	3	2	1	0	Cano 2b	4	1	1	0
Mehrtd ph-1b	2	0	2	0	Jbtnr lf	4	1	1	0
Rosales pr-1b	1	0	0	0	A.Jcksn cf	5	0	0	0
Hmltn rf	5	1	2	2	Trumo rf	1	0	0	1
Andrus ss	5	1	1	0	Morsn pr-rf	2	0	0	0
Odor 2b	5	1	3	1	SMiller 3-ss	4	0	2	1
Grsmn c	4	1	2	3	Bucnr c	3	0	1	0
S.Smith ph-lf	3	0	0	0					
Totals	45	11	17	11	Totals	40	3	9	3

Texas ..... 000 000 600 05 — 11
Seattle ..... 000 000 030 00 — 3

E — Brasobrger (1), Odor (10). DP — Texas 2, Seattle 1. LOB — Texas 6, Seattle 5. 2B — Fielder (23), Grsmnn 2 (5), N.Cruz (16), S.Miller (17). HR — Fielder (17), Cs — Odor (6), SF — Trumbo.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
M.Perez	6	7	3	2	1	5
S.Dyson	1	0	0	0	0	1
Diekman	2	0	0	0	0	2
Th.Gibson W,4-2	2	1	0	0	2	5
Seattle						
Montgomery	4	5	3	3	4	4
D.Rollins	2	1	1	0	0	1
Farquhar	1	1	0	0	0	1
Pazos	1	1	0	0	0	1
Wilhelmsen	1	1	0	0	1	2
Rasmussen L,1-1	1	2	1	1	0	1
Beimel	1	0	2	2	0	0

Rasmussen pitched to 0 batters in the 11th.
PB — Grsmnn.
T — 4:11. A — 20,132 (47,574).

Friday's late Texas box scores

ATHLETICS 5, ASTROS 1

Houston	ab	r	h	bi	Oakland	ab	r	h	bi
Altuve 2b	4	0	1	0	Burns cf	3	0	2	1
Gattis dh	4	0	1	0	Crisp lf	3	0	0	0
Correa ss	4	0	0	0	Fuld lf	1	0	0	0
C.Pinto rf	4	0	0	0	Reddick rf	4	0	0	0
Carter 1b	4	0	1	0	Valencia dh	4	1	1	0
Wong 2b	4	0	1	0	Vogt c	4	1	1	1
Valaika 3b	3	0	1	0	Lowrie 3b	3	1	1	0
Marisnick cf	3	0	0	0	Davis 1b	3	0	1	1
Castro c	3	0	0	0	Punto ss	3	0	0	0
Totals	33	1	5	0	Totals	31	3	6	3

Houston ..... 000 000 100 — 1
Oakland ..... 000 000 03x — 3

DP — Houston 1, Oakland 1. LOB — Houston 5, Oakland 6. 2B — Valencia (12). HR — Valbuena (21), Valencia (8). SF — Burns.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Keuchel L, 13-6	7.2-3	10	3	3	2	3
Wojciechowski	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Oakland						
S.Gray W, 12-4	9	5	1	1	0	5

HBP — by Keuchel (Lowrie).
T — 2:30. A — 18,908 (35,067).

MARINERS 4, RANGERS 3

Texas	ab	r	h	bi	Seattle	ab	r	h	bi
DSmith dh	4	0	0	0	Kivlehn ss	3	0	1	0
Odor 2b	4	0	2	0	Seager 3b	3	0	1	0
Beltre 3b	4	0	0	0	N.Cruz dh	4	1	1	0
Hmltn rf	4	1	2	0	Cano 2b	4	1	2	1
Mdlbrgr lf	4	1	2	0	Jbtnr rf	4	0	2	0
Napoli 1b	4	0	0	0	SMiller pr-dh	0	0	0	0
A.Jcksn cf	4	0	1	0	Trumo lf	3	1	1	0
Choo rf	4	1	1	0	S.Smith lf	1	0	0	0
Andrus ss	3	1	0	0	Morsn 1b	3	1	1	0
Grsmnn c	3	0	0	0					
Zunino c	1	0	0	0					
Totals	34	3	8	2	Totals	32	4	10	3

Texas ..... 000 100 020 — 3
Seattle ..... 001 010 02x — 4

DP — Texas 1. LOB — Texas 6, Seattle 6. 2B — Choo (21), B.Wilson (2), J.Montero (4), Morrison (8). HR — N.Cruz (32), Cano (12), Trumbo (4). SB — Seager (4), A.Jackson (13). CS — Odor (4).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Hamels L,9-1	6	8	4	4	2	7
Rosin	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
S.Perkins	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Scheppers	1	0	0	0	0	1
Seattle						
Iwakuma W,3-2	7	6	3	3	0	6
Rodney H,3	1	0	0	0	0	1
Beimel H,5	0-0	0	0	0	1	0
Cs.Smith S,11-13	1	1	0	0	0	1

HBP — by Iwakuma (Andrus). WP — Iwakuma, Rosin.
T — 2:55. A — 29,320 (47,574).

Linescores

AMERICAN LEAGUE
BLUE JAYS 6, YANKEES 0

Toronto ..... 000 020 110 — 6 7 0
New York ..... 000 000 000 — 0 3 1

Price, Aa.Sanchez (8), Loup (8) and Ru.Martin; Eiland, Warren (6), Mitchell (7) and Au.Romine. HR — Price 11-0, Smoak 6-6, Tulowitzki (2), Encarnacion (22).

TIGERS 7, RED SOX 6

Boston ..... 011 001 300 — 6 11 0
Detroit ..... 000 003 22x — 7 11 0

Miley, Tazawa (7), Ogando (8) and Swihart; Simon, B.Hardy (7), B.Rondon (9) and J.McCann. W — B.Hardy 4-2. L — Tazawa 2-5. Sv — B.Rondon (1). HRs — Boston, Ortiz (23). Detroit, R.Davis (3), V.Martinez (9).

ROYALS 7, CUBS 6

Chicago ..... 000 204 000 — 6 11 0
Kansas City ..... 000 340 00x — 7 9 0

Samardzija, De.Jennings (5), Petricka (8) and Soto; Guthrie, Hochevar (6), Madson (7), K.Herrera (8), G.Holland (9) and S.Perez. W — Guthrie 8-7. L — Samardzija 8-7. Sv — G.Holland (25). HRs — Chicago, Abreu 2 (21).

INDIANS 17, TWINS 4

Minnesota ..... 100 201 000 — 4 9 0
Cleveland ..... 224 006 20x — 17 18 0

E. Santana, Graham (3), O'Rourke (5), Boyer (5), Jepsen (7), Achter (8), S.Robinson (8) and K.Suzuki; Kluber, Bauer, R.Webb (7), Crocker (8), Armstrong (9) and R.Perez. W — Bauer 9-8. L — E. Santana 2-3. HRs — Minnesota, Mauer (7), K.Suzuki (6), E.Rosario (8). Cleveland, Sands (2), Almonte (1).

INTERLEAGUE
RAYS 5, METS 4

New York ..... 310 000 000 — 4 8 0
Tampa Bay ..... 400 100 00x — 5 10 1

Niese, Rutledge (6), Gilmartin (8), C.Torres (9) and d'Arnaud; Karns, Cedeno (6), Geltz (7), Boxberger (8) and Casali, Rivera. W — Karns 7-5. L — Gilmartin 0-1. Sv — Boxberger (28). HRs — New York, Granderson 2 (19). Tampa Bay, Sizemore (5).

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CARDINALS 3, BREWERS 0

St. Louis ..... 110 000 100 — 3 5 0
Milwaukee ..... 000 000 000 — 0 2 0

Ja.Garcia, Siegrist (6), Rosenthal (9) and Molina; W.Peralta, Cotts (6), Knebel (8) and Lucroy. W — Ja.Garcia 4-4. L — M.Peralta 2-7. Sv — Rosenthal (33). HRs — St. Louis, M.Carpenter (16).

REDS 4, DIAMONDBACKS 1

Cincinnati ..... 000 210 001 — 4 8 2
Arizona ..... 100 000 000 — 1 9 0

Sampson, Ju.Diaz (7), Hoover (8) and A.Chapman (9) and Bernhart; Ray, A.Reed (7), Hessler (8), D.Hernandez (9) and W.Castillo. W — Sampson 1-1. L — Ray 5-7. Sv — A.Chapman (24). HRs — Cincinnati, Suarez-6, Phillips (8). Byrd (19).

PHILLIES 4, PADRES 2

Philadelphia ..... 201 000 010 — 4 7 1
San Diego ..

YOUNG

From 1C

Because of his responsibilities as an assistant golf pro, Young doesn't work on his golf game as much. He said he'll only increase his practice time if he is playing in a big tournament. He'll sometimes sneak out at night, hit golf balls at Hogan Park Golf Course with head pro Greg Sikes or go to hit some balls at Masters Golf when he has the time. Just this past week, Young spent 16 hours working at a kids camp at MCC.

Those that know Young around Midland know how much he's dedicated to being a golf pro and what kind of family man he is, which is also why he's been flooded with congratulations from many people, not only from the membership at Midland Country Club, but from people around town.

"The overwhelming support has been fantastic," he said. "It's pretty cool to have that many people support you."

And for the first time in 17 years, Young will once again step on golf's biggest stage.

Considering that Young has played in two British Opens, he'll be used to the grandstands full of people, the TV cameras and the hoopla that comes with it.

"Playing in front of people is something I've done before," Young said. "I haven't done it in a while. I hope I'm nervous. If I'm not then it doesn't mean as much."

Young added that he's going to try to embrace the experience, just like he did 17 years ago.

"I've got a responsibility to go up there and represent as a PGA member," he said. "I've got some giveaways to throw out into the crowd, just to show that PGA pros are just like any other pro, we just work a lot more. Hopefully the game shows up. If it doesn't it's not the end of the world."

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PGA CHAMPIONSHIP

PGA Championship/Tee Times
At Whistling Straits
Sheboygan, Wis.
Purse: $10 million
Yardage: 7,801; Par: 72
Thursday-Friday
First hole-10th hole

6:45 a.m.-noon — Ryan Helminen, United States; Rory Sabbatini, South Africa; Cheeson Hadley, United States.

6:55 a.m.-12:10 p.m. — David Howell, England; Grant Sturgeon, United States; Boo Weekley, United States.

7:05 a.m.-12:20 p.m. — Charles Howell III, United States; Austin Peters, United States; Thomas Bjorn, Denmark.

7:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. — Byeong Hun An, South Korea; Russell Henley, United States; Robert Streb, United States.

7:25 a.m.-12:40 p.m. — James Morrison, England; Ryan Palmer, United States; Charley Hoffman, United States.

7:35 a.m.-12:50 p.m. — Stephen Gallacher, Scotland; Ryan Moore, United States; Thongchai Jaidee, Thailand.

7:45 a.m.-1 p.m. — Vijay Singh, Fiji; David Toms, United States; Mark Brooks, United States.

7:55 a.m.-1:10 p.m. — James Hahn, United States; Jamie Donaldson, Wales; Harris English, United States.

8:05 a.m.-1:20 p.m. — Ross Fisher, England; J.B. Holmes, United States; Mikko Ilonen, Finland.

8:15 a.m.-1:30 p.m. — Tony Finau, United States; Branden Grace, South Africa; Danny Lee, New Zealand.

8:25 a.m.-1:40 p.m. — Steve Young, United States; Morgan Hoffmann, United States; Anirban Lahiri, India.

8:35 a.m.-1:50 p.m. — Brian Cairns, United States; Matt Every, United States; Matt Jones, Australia.

8:45 a.m.-2 p.m. — Adam Rainaud, United States; Brian Harman, United States; Barracuda Championship winner.

9 a.m.-3 p.m. — Michael Putnam, United States; Marcus Fraser, Australia; Steve Marino, United States.

noon-6:45 a.m. — Bob Sowards, United States; Koumei Oda, Japan; Alex Cejka, Germany.

12:10 p.m.-6:55 a.m. — Ryan Kennedy, United States; Kevin Chappell, United States; Brendon de Jonge, Zimbabwe.

12:20 p.m.-7:05 a.m. — Davis Love III, United States; Darren Clarke, Northern Ireland; Steve Stricker, United States.

12:30 p.m.-7:15 a.m. — Jimmy Walker, United States; Tommy Fleetwood, England; Justin Thomas, United States.

1:40 p.m.-8:25 a.m. — Webb Simpson, United States; Bernd Wiesberger, Austria; Shane Lowry, Ireland.

12:50 p.m.-7:35 a.m. — Nick Watney, United States; Ian Poulter, England; Joost Luiten, The Netherlands.

1 p.m.-7:45 a.m. — Luke Donald, England; Graeme McDowell, Northern Ireland; Patrick Reed, United States.

1:10 p.m.-7:55 a.m. — Adam Scott, Australia; Henrik Stenson, Sweden; Brooks Koepka, United States.

1:20 p.m.-8:05 a.m. — Rory McIlroy, Northern Ireland; Jordan Spieth, United States; Zach Johnson, United States.

1:30 p.m.-8:15 a.m. — Jason Dufner, United States; Phil Mickelson, United States; Padraig Harrington, Ireland.

1:40 p.m.-8:25 a.m. — Cameron Tringale, United States; Danny Willett, England; John Senden, Australia.

1:50 p.m.-8:35 a.m. — Jason Bohn, United States; Marcel Siem, Germany; Omar Uresti, United States.

2 p.m.-8:45 a.m. — Richie Ramsay, Scotland; Dan Venezio, United States; Nick Taylor, Canada.

Thursday-Friday
10th hole-First hole

6:45 a.m.-noon — Pat Perez, United States; Brian Gaffney, United States; David Hearn, Canada.

6:55 a.m.-12:10 p.m. — Hideki Matsuyama, Japan; Johan Kok, United States; Brendan Steele, United States.

7:05 a.m.-12:20 p.m. — Matt Dobyns, United States; Colin Montgomerie, Scotland; John Daly, United States.

7:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. — Victor Dubuisson, France; Matt Kuchar, United States; Charl Schwartzel, South Africa.

7:25 a.m.-12:40 p.m. — Sergio Garcia, Spain; Bill Haas, United States; Louis Oosthuizen, South Africa.

7:35 a.m.-12:50 p.m. — Justin Rose, England; Brandt Snedeker, United States; Geoff Ogilvy, Australia.

7:45 a.m.-1 p.m. — Bubba Watson, United States; Paul Casey, England; Jim Furyk, United States.

7:55 a.m.-1:10 p.m. — Hunter Mahan, United States; Lee Westwood, England; Ernie Els, South Africa.

8:05 a.m.-1:20 p.m. — Jason Day, Australia; Dustin Johnson, United States; Rickie Fowler, United States.

8:15 a.m.-1:30 p.m. — Tiger Woods, United States; Martin Kaymer, Germany; Keegan Bradley, United States.

8:25 a.m.-1:40 p.m. — Gary Woodland, United States; Francesco Molinari, Italy; Marc Warren, Scotland.

8:35 a.m.-1:50 p.m. — Brent Snyder, United States; Tyrrell Hatton, England; Brendon Todd, United States.

8:45 a.m.-2 p.m. — Jeff Olson, United States; Fabian Gomez, Argentina; Bridgestone Invitational winner.

Noon-6:45 a.m. — George McNeill, United States; Charles Frost, United States; Emiliano Grillo, Argentina.

12:10 p.m.-6:55 a.m. — Chris Wood, England; Brett Jones, United States; Graham DeLaet, Canada.

12:20 p.m.-7:05 a.m. — George Coetzee, South Africa; Ben Martin, United States; Soren Kjeldsen, Denmark.

12:30 p.m.-7:15 a.m. — Rich Beem, United States; Shaun Micheel, United States; Y.E. Yang, South Korea.

12:40 p.m.-7:25 a.m. — Rafa Cabrera-Bello, Spain; Steve Bowditch, Australia; Daniel Berger, United States.

12:50 p.m.-7:35 a.m. — Camilo Villegas, Colombia; Kiradech Aphibarnrat, Thailand; Pablo Larrazabal, Spain.

1 p.m.-7:45 a.m. — Cameron Smith, Australia; Shawn Stefani, United States; Hiroshi Iwata, Japan.

1:10 p.m.-7:55 a.m. — Kevin Streelman, United States; Sang-Moon Bae, South Korea; David Lingmerth, Sweden.

1:20 p.m.-8:05 a.m. — Troy Merritt, United States; Alexander Levy, France; Russell Knox, Scotland.

1:30 p.m.-8:15 a.m. — Tim Clark, South Africa; Billy Horschel, United States; Miguel Angel Jimenez, Spain.

1:40 p.m.-8:25 a.m. — Eddie Pepperell, England; Sean Dougherty, United States; Kevin Na, United States.

1:50 p.m.-8:35 a.m. — Marc Leishman, Australia; Ben Polland, United States; Kevin Kisner, United States.

2 p.m.-8:45 a.m. — Scott Piercy, United States; Alan Morin, United States; Andy Sullivan, England.

GOLF GLANCE

Bridgestone Invitational

Saturday
At Firestone Country Club (South Course)
Akron, Ohio
Purse: $8.25 million
Yardage: 7,400; Par: 70
Third Round

Justin Rose	67-71-63—201
Jim Furyk	66-66-69—201
Shane Lowry	70-66-67—203
Steven Bowditch	73-69-63—205
Ian Poulter	68-72-65—205
Henrik Stenson	68-69-68—205
Bubba Watson	70-66-69—205
Robert Streb	68-70-68—206
Brooks Koepka	69-69-68—206
Graeme McDowell	66-71-69—206
David Lingmerth	70-71-66—207
Danny Lee	65-72-70—207
Keegan Bradley	69-70-69—208
Jason Day	69-69-70—208
Branden Grace	73-68-67—208
Rickie Fowler	67-72-70—209
Bill Haas	74-68-67—210
Marc Warren	71-70-69—210
Danny Willett	70-71-69—210
Russell Henley	70-70-70—210
Kevin Na	69-70-71—210
Patrick Reed	71-67-72—210
Sergio Garcia	71-67-72—210
Webb Simpson	68-70-72—210
Jordan Spieth	70-68-72—210
Bernd Wiesberger	71-74-66—211
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Joey Logano wins Xfinity race at Watkins Glen

By John Kekis
Associated Press

WATKINS GLEN, N.Y. — After a poor qualifying effort in Sprint Cup, Joey Logano shook off his frustration and won the NASCAR Xfinity race at Watkins Glen International on Saturday, outdueling Penske Racing teammate Brad Keselowski.

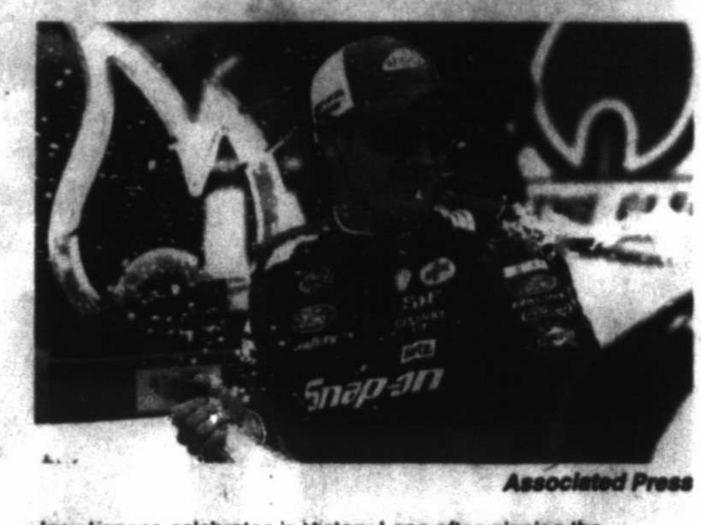
Logano, who started from pole, overcame a stop-and-go penalty early in the caution-filled race, drove back to the front, and kept Keselowski at bay after a restart with four laps to go in the 82-lap race. It's the first road course win of his career, 25th in NASCAR's second-tier series, and fourth win of the year.

The Penske duo led all but three laps in a race on the 2.45-mile layout that was delayed by seven cautions for 20 laps.

Series points leader Chris Buescher was third, followed by Boris Said and Ty Dillon, and leads Chase Elliott by 24 points. Elliott was seventh.

Regan Smith, fourth in points, finished 20th after running in the top 10 early in the race. Smith rallied from early troubles but was doomed to a bad finish after being taken out by Dillon, and the two nearly came to blows after the race.

Cup regular Kyle Larson was running third early in the race and poised to challenge the Penske duo, but he suddenly made a beeline for the pits on the eighth lap with a broken axle on his No. 42 Chevy. He finished 28th, seven laps behind.



Associated Press

Joey Logano celebrates in Victory Lane after winning the NASCAR Xfinity Series auto race at Watkins Glen International, Saturday in Watkins Glen, N.Y.

It was a challenging day for Elliott. Running fifth early, he skidded off course trying to pass Smith as the cars banged sides in the Inner Loop on lap 15. That dropped Elliott to 25th and his troubles weren't over. He also was penalized sent to the back of the field for pitting too soon when a caution flag flew eight laps later.

For Smith, the day turned much worse. He was spun out by Dillon on a restart midway through the race and with 16 laps to go skidded into the Armco barrier that lines the track after tight racing with Brendan Gaughan.

Logano and Keselowski took turns leading, and when the race went green after a caution with 20 laps to go Logano was ahead. Back in fifth, Keselowski quickly passed Paul Menard, Buescher and Said to move to second.

Smith then brought out the caution with his spin, leaving the Penske teammates right where they were when the race started — up front.

"These cars can't seem to get away from each other the past three years," said Greg Erwin, crew chief for Keselowski. "I think they'll treat each other with respect. They do a good job."

That's exactly what happened on the restart, but right behind them Dillon dived to the inside of the first turn and slammed Menard out of the way as the race stayed green.

Logano gained a lead of over a half-second, but that was negated when Gaughan and Kenny Habul clashed on the final turn with six laps left. Habul spun back across the track and was hit hard by Ryan Reed, bringing out a 10-minute red flag and ending the day for Habul.

RACING GLANCE

Xfinity Series

Zippo 200 Lineup
After Saturday qualifying; race Saturday
At Watkins Glen International
Watkins Glen, N.Y.
Lap length: 2.45 miles
(Car number in parentheses)

1. (12) Joey Logano, Ford, 124.308 mph
2. (22) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 123.607
3. (9) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 123.521
4. (42) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 123.145
5. (60) Chris Buescher, Ford, 122.8
6. (3) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 122.79
7. (54) Boris Said, Toyota, 122.781
8. (7) Regan Smith, Chevrolet, 122.781
9. (2) Brian Scott, Chevrolet, 122.71
10. (33) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 122.57
11. (1) Elliott Sadler, Ford, 121.468
12. (18) Daniel Suarez, Toyota, 121.001
13. (62) Brendan Gaughan, Chevrolet, 121.756
14. (88) Ben Rhodes, Chevrolet, 121.749
15. (51) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 121.175
16. (6) Darrell Wallace Jr., Ford, 121.097
17. (28) J.J. Yeley, Toyota, 120.966
18. (20) Kenny Habul, Toyota, 120.367
19. (55) Brandon Gdovic, Chevrolet, 119.949
20. (4) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 119.486
21. (0) Michael Self, Chevrolet, 119.186
22. (39) Ryan Sieg, Chevrolet, 119.122
23. (16) Ryan Reed, Ford, 118.881
24. (43) Daikota Armstrong, Ford, 118.878
25. (14) Cale Conley, Toyota, 118.548
26. (01) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 118.536
27. (24) Eric McClure, Toyota, 118.202
28. (97) Peyton Sellers, Chevrolet, 118.087
29. (8) Blake Koch, Toyota, 117.935
30. (19) Jeff Green, Toyota, 117.597
31. (90) Todd Bodine, Chevrolet, 117.259
32. (26) Tomy Drissi, Toyota, 116.718
33. (13) Kevin O'Connell, Dodge, 116.599
34. (44) David Starr Toyota, owner points.
35. (40) T.J. Bell, Toyota, owner points
36. (15) Ryan Ellis, Chevrolet, owner points
37. (52) Joey Gase, Chevrolet, owner points
38. (70) Derrike Cope, Chevrolet, owner points
39. (74) Bobby Reuse, Chevrolet, owner points
40. (25) John Wes Townley, Chevrolet, owner points.x
Failed to Qualify
41. (89) Morgan Shepherd, Chevrolet, 115.83.

Zippo 200 Results
Saturday
At Watkins Glen International
Watkins Glen, N.Y.
Lap length: 2.45 miles
(Start position in parentheses)

1. (1) Joey Logano, Ford, 82 laps, 0 points.
2. (2) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 82, 0
3. (5) Chris Buescher, Ford, 82, 42
4. (7) Boris Said, Toyota, 82, 40
5. (6) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 82, 39
6. (9) Brian Scott, Chevrolet, 82, 38
7. (3) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 82, 36
8. (11) Elliott Sadler, Ford, 82, 36
9. (10) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 82, 0
10. (13) Brendan Gaughan, Chevrolet, 82, 34
11. (15) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 82, 33
12. (17) J.J. Yeley, Toyota, 82, 32
13. (19) Brandon Gdovic, Chevrolet, 82, 31
14. (22) Ryan Sieg, Chevrolet, 82, 30
15. (12) Daniel Suarez, Toyota, 82, 29
16. (16) Darrell Wallace Jr., Ford, 82, 28
17. (20) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 82, 27
18. (29) Blake Koch, Toyota, 82, 26
19. (31) Todd Bodine, Chevrolet, 82, 25
20. (8) Regan Smith, Chevrolet, 82, 24
21. (25) Cale Conley, Toyota, 82, 23
22. (36) Ryan Ellis, Chevrolet, 82, 0
23. (24) Daikota Armstrong, Ford, 82, 21
24. (27) Eric McClure, Toyota, 82, 20
25. (32) Tomy Drissi, Toyota, 81, 19
26. (34) David Starr, Toyota, 81, 18
27. (38) Derrike Cope, Chevrolet, 81, 17
28. (4) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 75, 0.
29. (18) Kenny Habul, Toyota, accident, 74, 15
30. (23) Ryan Reed, Ford, accident, 74, 14
31. (37) Joey Gase, Chevrolet, transmission, 68, 13
32. (39) Bobby Reuse, Chevrolet, 64, 12
33. (33) Kevin O'Connell, Dodge, transmission, 57, 11
34. (26) Peyton Sellers, Chevrolet, suspension, 50, 10
35. (14) Ben Rhodes, Chevrolet, engine, 35, 9
36. (26) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, engine, 34, 8
37. (21) Michael Self, Chevrolet, transmission, 33, 7
38. (35) Morgan Shepherd, Chevrolet, brakes, 13, 6
39. (40) John Wes Townley, Chevrolet, electrical, 8, 0
40. (30) Jeff Green, Toyota, vibration, 3, 4

Race Statistics
Average Speed of Race Winner: 84.059 mph
Time of Race: 2 hours, 23 minutes, 31 seconds.
Margin of Victory: 1.066 seconds.
Caution Flags: 7 for 20 laps.
Lead Changes: 9 among 4 drivers.
Lap Leaders: J.Logano 1-4; B.Keselowski 5-15; J.Logano 16-19; B.Keselowski 20; C.Buescher 21-22; B.Keselowski 23-48; J.Logano 49-50; B.Keselowski 51-52; C.Elliott 53; J.Logano 54-82.

Leaders Standings (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): B.Keselowski, 4 times for 40 laps; J.Logano, 4 times for 39 laps; C.Buescher, 1 time for 2 laps; C.Elliott, 1 time for 1 lap.

Top 10 in Points: 1. C.Buescher, 724; 2. C.Elliott, 700; 3. T.Dillon, 700; 4. R.Smith, 667; 5. E.Sadler, 666; 6. D.Wallace Jr., 629; 7. D.Suarez, 625; 8. B.Gaughan, 610; 9. B.Scott, 606; 10. R.Reed, 565.

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Cowboys' Carr breaks hand, Bryant out with hamstring strain

Associated Press

OXNARD, Calif. — Dallas Cowboys cornerback Brandon Carr is returning to Texas for surgery on a broken right hand, and All-Pro receiver Dez Bryant missed practice Saturday because of a strained hamstring.

Coach Jason Garrett said defensive end Kenneth Boatright remained hospitalized two days after injuring his neck in practice but that all tests had come back normal.

Carr, who is set for surgery Monday in the Dallas area, was hurt engaging a receiver during practice Thursday. Bryant tweaked his hamstring the same day, but Garrett said the injury isn't serious.

At running back, Darren McFadden (hamstring) won't get his first practice at camp until after the Cowboys' preseason opener at San Diego on Thursday, and Lance Dunbar (ankle) is still out.

Backups to see plenty of action in Hall of Fame game

By Will Graves
Associated Press

CANTON, Ohio — The guys in the freshly minted gold jackets roaming the sideline during Sunday night's Hall of Fame game will be the latest member of the NFL's Who's Who.

The guys on the field for the Pittsburgh Steelers and Minnesota Vikings will be more Who's That?

Adrian Peterson? Nope, not this week. Ben Roethlisberger? Antonio Brown? Probably not. James Harrison's 37-year-old legs will get the night off, too.

The marquee names the Steelers and Vikings hope will carry them into a promising 2015 get the night off, along with Jerome Bettis and the rest of the Hall of Fame class enshrined on Saturday night.

Given an extra exhibition game to prepare for what awaits in September, Minnesota coach Mike Zimmer and Pittsburgh's Mike Tomlin will use it to get extended looks at the reserves on their 90-man rosters.

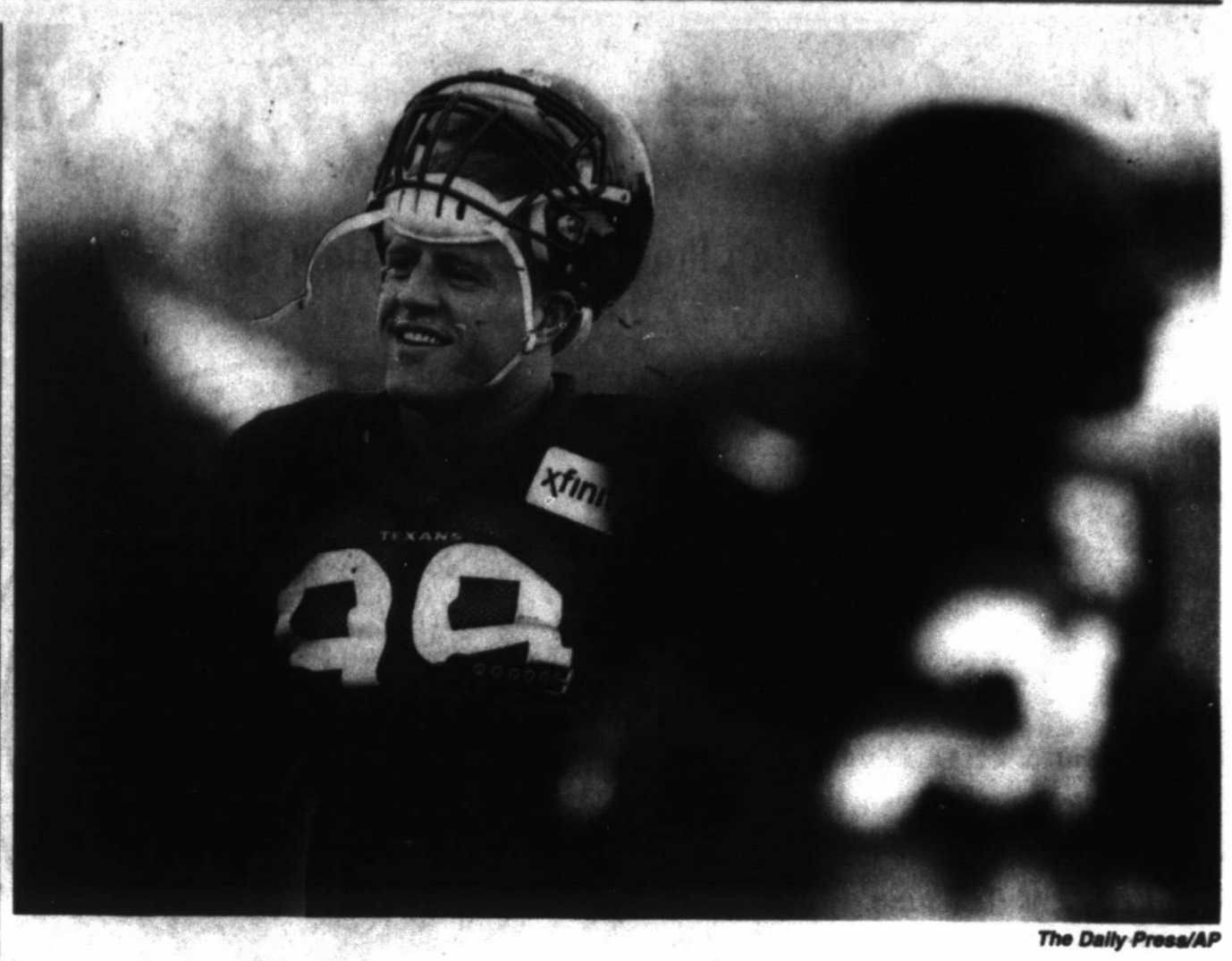
No pressure Landry Jones.

The all-time leading passer in Oklahoma history spent the first two years on the inactive list behind Roethlisberger and Bruce Gradkowski. With Roethlisberger signed up through the rest of the decade and Gradkowski locked in as the primary backup, Jones will try to convince the coaching staff he's work keeping for at least one more season. Failing that, Jones hopes to do enough to impress someone else should he need a landing spot when camp ends.

Jones' preference would be to stick around, and Pittsburgh likes to keep three quarterbacks on the roster. Still, there is plenty of competition. Tajh Boyd is hoping to catch on after spending last year playing for a minor league while quarterbacks/wide receivers Tyler Murphy and Devin Gardner have allowed Tomlin to experiment with different formations and packages during camp.

While Tomlin believes Jones is on a "steady incline" he's holding off on making any real endorsements until he sees how Jones performs with the lights on. That's fine by Jones.

Some other things to look for ahead of the long road to the Super Bowl in California.



The Daily Press/AP

Houston Texans' J.J. Watt gets ready for practice at an NFL training camp Thursday in Richmond, Va. The Washington Redskins and Houston Texans begin three days of joint workouts at the Redskins' training complex.

Joint practice ends after Redskins, Texans start brawling

By Hank Kurz Jr.
Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. — The joint portion of the final practice involving the Washington Redskins and Houston Texans came to an end Saturday when a series of fights broke out.

The teams had just started working against each other when the first skirmish occurred. When more followed on subsequent plays, and on both fields, the coaches decided to break the teams apart and each team worked on its own field for the rest of the session.

The change in plans caused Redskins coach Jay Gruden to agree the day was somewhat wasted.

"Initially we had a couple on our field on the offensive field, and I was just going to cut that period out and have everybody go to the side, let everybody cool down and finish practice," Gruden said, "but then the other one broke out on the other field and it wasn't worth it. Injuries take place.

"Obviously, it wasn't a good situation, but we missed an opportunity to get better today against a good team."

Gruden and Texans coach Bill O'Brien initially tried to let their teams know the fighting wasn't acceptable, but Gruden added: "Unfortunately, it wasn't two people. It was a group of men" and "For whatever reason, it escalated into a nasty brawl."

O'Brien said the Texans benefited from "two and a half" of their three days practicing against the Redskins. And both coaches agreed that joint workouts hold great value in helping to prepare a team for the start of the season.

"Other than having to separate today, we still got work done," O'Brien said. "But the two days that we were together there, we got a lot of situational work. It was good to work against them. Being in the hotel as a team, there's some bonding that goes on there, too."

Gruden's team worked for three days against the New England Patriots last year, spending the last day in shorts before meeting the Patriots in their preseason opener. The coach, in his second season, said expecting teams to battle for three days in full pads might be asking too much.

The fights came early in the joint portion of the workouts as a heavy rain fell.

Redskins defensive lineman Chris Baker said one of the fights started when a Houston offensive lineman tried to "clean him off the pocket." Baker says when he removed his helmet and confronted the player, the player hit him with a right hook and a brawl ensued.

Baker says the Texans were angry because the Redskins got the best of them in their joint workout on Friday.

"I guess we kicked their butt yesterday so they came out here trying to be tough guys today," Baker said, "but it really didn't work. They had a rough day yesterday so they wanted to try to set the tone, but that's not going to happen here."

Texans linebacker Whitney Mercilus agreed that his team struggled on Friday, but chalked the fights up to "Just a whole lot of intensity on both sides of the ball."

Teammate Cecil Shorts III added that the Texans expected the skirmishes and were prepared for it.

"It just happens," he said. "When two teams have been practicing for a while against each other, tempers flare. ... We kind of figured something was going to happen and we prepared for it. We did a good job staying together. Nobody got hurt. It's over with. Let's move on."

HALL

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helped lead to a fifth Super Bowl title in 2006.

The adulation surrounding Bettis' induction proved fitting on a night so many saw their lengthy waits to join football's most exclusive club come to an end.

Only linebacker Junior Seau was elected in his first year on the ballot. For the rest, Saturday night was a mixture of relief, joy and wonder.

Defensive end Charles Haley cracked jokes between heartfelt disclosures of his battle with depression. Minnesota Vikings center Mick Tingelhoff didn't say a word, instead letting Hall of Fame teammate Fran Tarkenton speak for him shortly after Tingelhoff's bust was unveiled.

"He's waited 37 years to get to the Hall of Fame," Tarkenton said as thousands rose to their feet in appreciation.

Kansas City guard Will Shields spoke with the same thoughtfulness that made him one of the best linemen of his generation during a standout career with the Chiefs.

Contributors Bill Polian and Ron Wolf paid tribute to the icons who paved the way for their success. Wide receiver Tim Brown led chants of "Rai-ders! Rai-ders!" in a joyous moment more than a decade after the last of his 1,094 receptions.

Haley, the only player in NFL history with five Super Bowl rings, gave a rousing, freewheeling speech that included a good-natured jabs at everyone from former San Francisco owner Eddie DeBartolo Jr. to Cowboys owner Jerry Jones. DeBartolo called the decision to trade Haley to Dallas in 1992 his biggest mistake during his tenure.

Haley didn't disagree, though he also made sure to pay emotional tribute to the men who signed his paychecks. That included a touching nod to Jones, who organized a bone marrow drive when Haley's daughter Brianna was diagnosed with leukemia.

ROMO

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training camp, Romo still had the most efficient season of his career, thanks in part to NFL rushing champion DeMarco Murray easing the load on him. He had a career-best 113.2 passer rating with 34 touchdowns and nine interceptions.

Murray left for the NFC East rival Eagles in free agency, but owner Jerry Jones says Romo's threat as a passer is one of the reasons he believes the Cowboys can keep the running game going.

"What I'm seeing out here is Tony Romo at his best," said Jones, who made Romo the first $100 million player in franchise history with a six-year extension at $108 million in 2012.

"I can't remember a time when I thought he was playing any better, looked any better, made me feel any better, made our coaches feel any better as far as his execution and what he needs to do for us to win."

Romo matched his career low for a full season with nine interceptions last year, and he's never protected the ball better over two seasons than he did in 2013-14.

While he says experience matters most, Romo doesn't dismiss the notion that injuries made him more of a thinker and less of a gambler, which was his reputation early in his career.

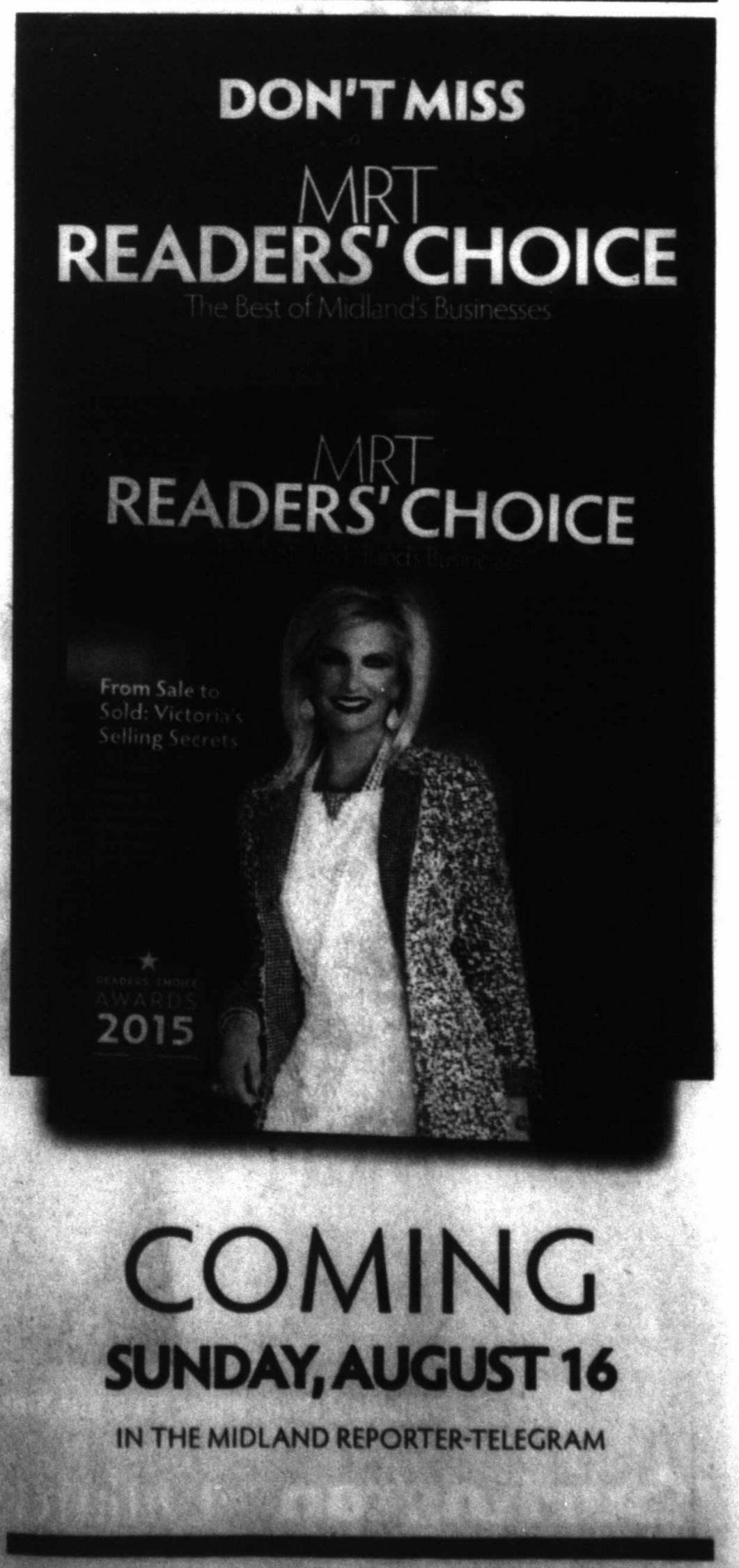
"I may have still ended up at the same point that I am right now," Romo said. "But I've also analyzed a few things I may not have with the technique of throwing in some capacity because I had just a lot of time to study it and then some, so that helps."

Garrett isn't sure there's much difference in Romo once the regular season rolls around.

"It's not like he's ever been a runner," the coach said. "He's always been someone who can have a great feel in the pocket, can move around and find some space.

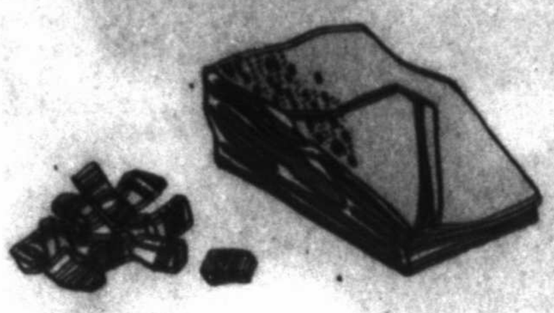
"Every so often you'd see him run and make a play with his feet. But it was more about his ability to extend plays, keep his eyes up and throw the ball down the field."

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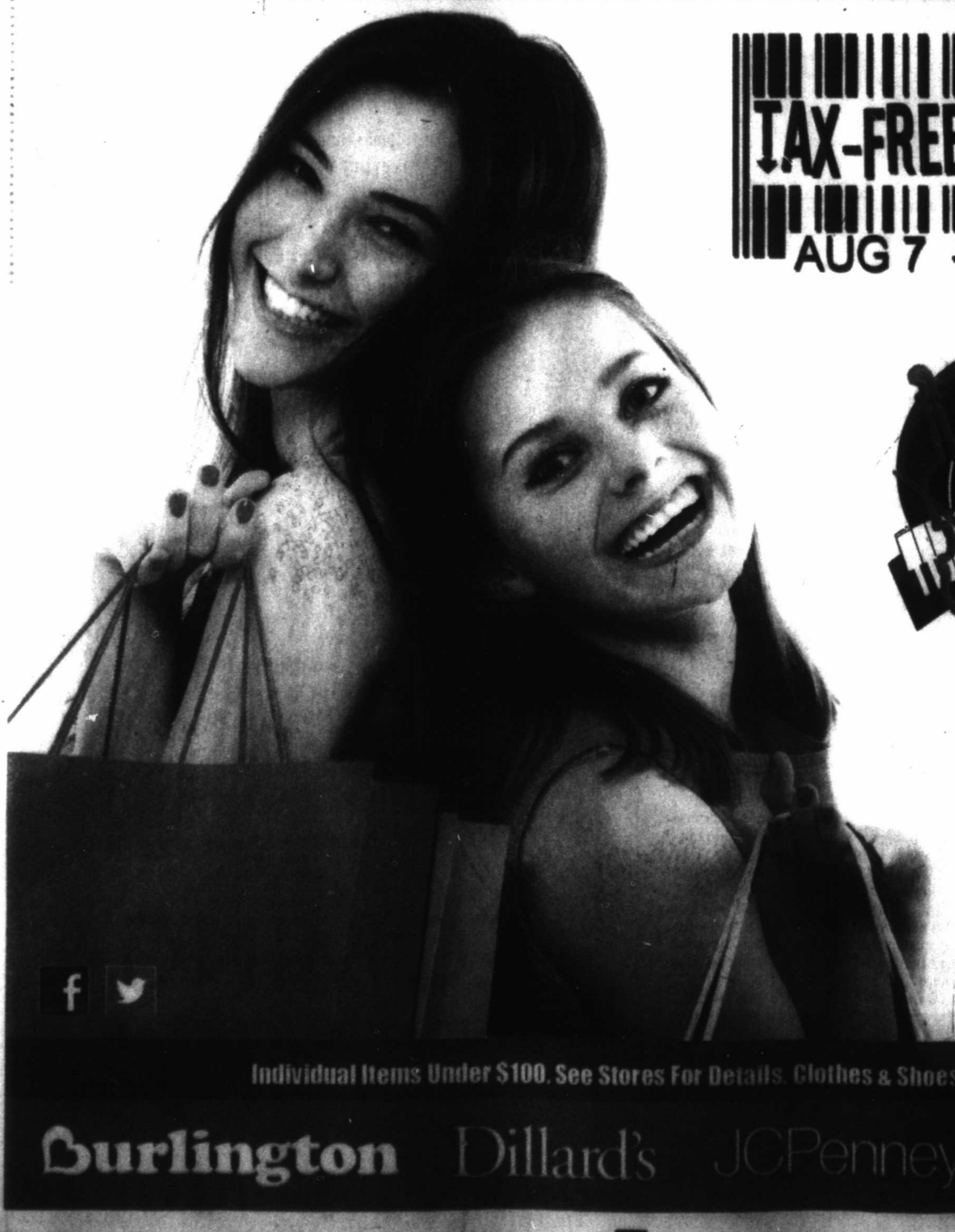
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MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY, an independent oil and gas exploration and production company since 1965, is seeking an experienced individual with an engineering degree and/or 5+ years technical & operations experience for our corporate office in Tyler, Texas.

Interested parties must be highly motivated, with good organizational skills, detail oriented and reliable. The position will report to the Manager of Oil and Gas Marketing. Accountabilities will include: gas contract negotiations for new well connections, project economic evaluation, gas allocation & nominations, auditing, coordination with field operations and construction groups. A working knowledge of pipeline design, compression, gas processing, production operations and gas measurement is desirable. Proficient in Microsoft Office especially Excel and Word. Strong interpersonal abilities along with excellent written and verbal communication aptitudes.

The full-time position includes a salary based on the level of experience, opportunity for career advancement and growth. A comprehensive benefit package is provided by the company including health insurance and a highly competitive 401(k) retirement plan. Relocation assistance available. Please send detailed resume including salary history to:

MEWBOURNE OIL COMPANY
Human Resources
P.O. Box 7698, Tyler, Texas 75711
Fax: (903) 561-1045
E-mail: mocjobs@mewbourne.com
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OTHER JOBS

Advertising Operations Support

Are you detail oriented? Do you have a positive attitude? Are you a self-starter?
If so, come join our TEAM!

The MRT Media Group, a Hearst Corporation company, is looking for full-time creative, energetic person to join our Advertising Operations Team. Duties include providing support to the Advertising team, expediting print and online ad creation, page planning/pagination of daily newspaper and special publications.

QUALIFICATIONS AND SKILLS:

- Proficient with Adobe software suites - particularly Indesign, Photoshop and Illustrator.
- Experience with MAC OS 10, Explorer and Windows software.
- Knowledge of advertising design, layout and typography preferred but not required.
- Ability to interpret a variety of instructions furnished in written, oral, diagram, or schedule form.
- Ability to work in a fast-paced, deadline oriented environment.
- Excellent organization skills and ability to work independently with minimal supervision required.

The Hearst Corporation is one of the largest, diversified media communications companies, with major interests in magazine, newspaper and business publishing, cable networks, television and radio broadcasting, internet business and more.

Please send resume to:
Adrianne Ramirez, Advertising Operations Manager
MRT Media Group - 201 E. Illinois, Midland, TX 79701
aramirez@mrt.com

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Midland Reporter-Telegram
mrt.com

ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT
IMPACT! Chemical Technologies is seeking an Accounting Assistant to provide support with the daily accounting functions. The Accounting Assistant will be responsible for assisting in accounts payables. Candidates should display strong attention to detail and Excel skills are required. Excellent benefits. Please send resumes to tbehannon@impactchemtech.com or PO Box 10687, Midland, TX 79702.

Accounting Assistant
Standard Sales Company, L.P., the Anheuser-Busch distributor located in Odessa, TX is looking for an experienced Accounting Assistant for its corporate offices. Duties include assisting accounting dept with daily and monthly processes, sales tax returns, bank reconciliations, verifying daily deposits, cross-training with Accounts Payable position, occasional phone duty, and other duties as determined. Requirements: 2+ years accounting/bookkeeping experience, high school diploma, proficiency with Microsoft Excel. Preferred but not required: Sage 500 software experience, Associates degree or higher in accounting. Benefits: 401k plan with employer match, paid vacation and sick leave, health, vision, and dental insurance. Must pass drug screen and submit to background check. Please apply on-line using the following link: http://esa.standardsales.com/careers/careers.aspx?req=2015-40-001 or visit the website at www.standardsalescompanylp.com and click on the Careers tab. No phone calls please.

Bookkeeper
Local chemical company looking for experienced bookkeeper. Pay depending on experience. Company offers 401K after one year. Paid medical, dental, and life insurance. Send resume to P.O. Box 13166, Odessa, TX. 79768.

Bookkeeping
Citizens Federal Credit Union is seeking the following full time position: Bookkeeping. Position is well paying, with excellent benefits. Please send a resume to: Citizens Federal Credit Union, ATTN: HR, P.O. Box 51070, Midland, TX. 79705

The University of Texas System
is currently recruiting for the following position in Odessa, Texas:

Senior Auditor I, Posting ID: 2089
Monthly Salary: $4,862

To view requirements, salary and apply, go to the UT System Careers website: http://www.utsystem.edu/careers

The University of Texas System Administration is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer.
Conviction verification conducted on applicant selected.

AUTOMOTIVE

FT Body Men
Body shop looking for experienced full time body man. Come in and apply. 3221 W Industrial Midland, TX 79701

CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

Office Technician
"HELP WANTED -NEED IMMEDIATELY- OFFICE TECHNICIAN: WTG-JLD Benedum Plant is hiring an Office Clerk for our site out of Iraan, TX. M-F 8-5, some overtime could be possible. Duties include but are not limited to handling correspondence, answering phone, creating and maintaining spreadsheets/databases, end of the month reports and general office duties. Individual must be proficient in Word, PowerPoint, Excel and phone systems. The ability to multi-task in a fast-paced environment is needed. Fax your resume to 432-685-2132.

EDUCATION & TRAINING

Teachers
Part-time, enthusiastic Preschool and Children's Day Out teachers are needed (ages 6mo-4yr old preschool)
Tuesday and Thursdays, 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Please apply in person at:
First United Methodist Church
300 N Main Street

ENERGY & UTILITIES

Frac Operator
Looking for a frac operator for chemical treating in the field. Requires operator to be away from home for 1-2 weeks at a time. No training required but must have experience with operating a computer. Hourly wages based on experience level. Interested applicant to apply in person.
11999 E. Hwy. 158, Gardendale, TX, 79758.

Journeyman or Tradesman
Wanted: Journeyman or Tradesman Lic. Plumber with AC tech knowledge in current equipment. Wage based on experience. Retirement benefits.
Send Resume to: A-Terry's Plumbing, PO Box 8714, Midland TX, 79708.

Fax Your Ad 682-6999



You Can Email your Classified Ad to: mrtclassified@mrt.com



AUTOMOTIVE

TEXAS FORD DEALERS

Rogers Ford Career Opportunities

Available positions: Porters, Drivers, Service Writer, Service Cashier, and a Suspension Technician.

Porter Requirements: Include sweeping, mopping, cleaning technician stalls, cleaning main service drive, parking vehicles, and bringing around vehicles for customers. Help with other misc. task around shop. Clean driving record and valid drivers license.

Driver Requirements: Include delivery, pickup and handling of vehicle parts to/from surrounding areas. Requires ability to secure parts in a timely manner, work efficiently and maintain a friendly attitude at all times. Must have a valid drivers license and clean driving record. Previous parts or delivery experience preferred. Dealership experience preferred. And Excellent customer service skills and multitasking ability.

Service Writer Requirements: Including customer-focused, well organized person, service reception, providing repair estimates, obtaining approvals, keeping your clients updated on service status, invoicing, and service delivery. Must be professional in appearance, have excellent written and verbal communications skills, and have a positive, customer service, team-oriented attitude. Prior dealership, automotive, or other retail experience would be helpful.

Service Cashier Requirements: Includes to greet customer on main service drive, cash customers out, answer phone calls, cover fast lube cashier, and help with other misc. work task.

Suspension Technician Requirements: Must be able to follow work directions, pay attention to detail and diagnose problems and make the necessary repair. Duties include, but are not limited to the following: Verify complaints, follow diagnostic procedures, perform checks and make the necessary repair to vehicles. Identify potential problems, and perform preventative maintenance. Obtain information and keep accurate records. Obtain authorization and perform repair. Must have own tools. Must be able to be on your feet for long periods of time. Call for more details.

****Must pass drug test for all job positions.**

Come fill out a job application at Rogers Ford.

HEALTHCARE

West Texas Centers

MH RN: Under the direct supervision and administration of the Director of Nursing. The nurse in the position performs responsible nursing duties in the assigned outpatient centers. The nurse is responsible for the care and treatment of individuals in accordance with the accepted nursing standards of West Texas Centers. Consultation and in-service training related to nursing duties are provided by the Direct Supervisor. Due to travel requirements, a personal automobile is required. Must be licensed in the state of Texas. $24.12 hr $1929.23 bi weekly and $50,160 annually Housed in Big Spring

MH LVN.: under this position performs nursing duties in the assigned outpatient center. The nurse is responsible for the care and treatment of individuals in accordance with the accepted nursing standards or West Texas Centers. Consultation and in -service training related to nursing duties are provided by the Direct Supervisor. Due to travel requirements, a personal automobile is required with mileage reimbursement. The nurse will provide coverage for Lamesa, Brownfield, Seminole, Denver City. Licensed to practice as a licensed vocational nurse in the State of Texas. $16.79 hr $1343.54 bi weekly $34,932 annually Part time $20.45 hr

Applications available at www.wtcmhmr.org or by calling JOBLINE 800-687-2789. EOE

Now Hiring - Home Health Agency

Come join a fast growing HHA in Midland and surrounding areas as a full/part time nurse. Positions Available: Staff Nurses (RN/LVN)

*****Sign-on bonus of $1,000!!!!!!!!!

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Seeking caring and dependable people to work in the homes of elderly and disabled clients. Will assist with preparing meals, shopping, personal care, errands, light housekeeping, and other assigned duties. We offer flexible day, evening, and weekend shifts. Must be at least 18 years of age with a clean criminal background. MUST have reliable transportation. No certifications or prior experience required. Fax Resume referencing **Ad#16428** to **432-332-1640.** For an application, call **432-332-4025.** Apply online at **www.gentiva.com/careers.** Or apply in-person at **619 N. Grant Avenue, Suite 110, Odessa, Texas 79761.** E.O.E / M.F.D.V.

GENTIVA HEALTH CARE

HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

Corp Sales Manager

Wyndham Garden Midland looking for the following position: Corp Sales Manager. Hotel experience preferred. Will train the right candidate. Must be Microsoft office proficient. Salary based on experience. Send all resumes to gposmantur@jyihotels.com

Maintenance & Housekeeping

Holiday Inn Express, I-20 now hiring Maintenance & Housekeeping. Apply in person 900 Crump Street, Midland. 432-695-9020.

JOB SEARCH AIDS

Sales Reps

ClearTalk is currently hiring sales reps for its retail locations in Midland. Pay averages 30K+ a year for F.T sales reps. Benefits include employee paid medical, life insurance, dental, vision and 401K. Retail experience preferred but not required. Send your resume to: kburrus@flatwireless.com

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WTNB

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MORTGAGE LOAN ORIGINATOR

The Mortgage Loan Originator supports and drives the overall mortgage banking relationships of WTNB through its mortgage-related products from the initial mortgage program through closing. Must have a current NMLS License. 5-10 years meaningful mortgage lending experience in a community bank environment and a strong grasp of mortgage regulatory requirements

To encourage stability, this is a 100% salaried position; the highs and lows of local real estate will not impact pay. Relocation assistance available. Benefits include health insurance, matching 401k, sick, vacation and holiday leave.

Please send resume and cover letter to: JHebberd@WTNB.com.

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CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

LAMESA TEXAS

TRADE CORRIDOR CERTIFIED

The City of Lamesa is accepting applications for a position of City Secretary. Duties and responsibilities include the following: Manages all official records and documents; Manages proceedings of City Council meetings; Directs and coordinates municipal elections. Provides assistance and information to staff and citizens regarding City ordinances and regulations; Provides administrative services to the City Council and the City Manager; City's media and community relations.

Applicant requirements include the following: Minimum of an Associates Degree or higher. Valid Texas Class C driver's license with acceptable record. Knowledge of Federal, State, and Municipal laws and procedures. Knowledge of election laws and procedures; Three (3) years public relation experience; Proficiency in Microsoft Word; Texas Registered Municipal Clerks certification preferred; Bilingual in Spanish (spoken/written) preferred; Excellent written/verbal communication skills; Outgoing/friendly personality; Interest to learn; Abilities to multi-task, be well-organized, detail-oriented, and deal with pressure/deadline situations. Acceptable skills/abilities related to other managerial, interpersonal, mathematical, reasoning aspects of the position.

Applications can be downloaded from City website ci.lamesa.tx.us. Personnel Director (806) 872-4326, or email iramirez@ci.lamesa.tx.us

The City of Lamesa provides excellent benefits and is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

HEALTHCARE

Health Care Professionals

Come JOIN OUR TEAM! NEW WAGES!

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HEALTHCARE

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Full-time with benefits

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Available Positions

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Contact our Job Center for Job Descriptions or to Arrange a Campus Tour
432-816-3383
Or
Complete an application online at https://jobshrportal.cpa.texas.gov/ENG/careerportal/
Big Spring State Hospital
1901 North Highway 87
Big Spring, TX 79720

TEXAS ONCOLOGY

Texas Oncology, P.A., an affiliate of US Oncology, the largest oncology network in the nation, has the following openings at Allison Cancer Center in Midland:

MT / MLT

Qualification: Associates or Bachelor's Degree
ASCP certification a plus

US Oncology offers competitive salaries and an excellent benefits package, including 401(k) and tuition reimbursement. Interested candidates should forward resume to:

Attn: Carmen Cross, Allison Cancer Center,
400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Pkwy, Suite 100,
Midland, TX 79701, fax (432) 687-4251
or email Carmen.cross@usoncology.com.
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OTHER JOBS

Ag. Equipment Operator

5 temp positions: Ag. Equipment Operator, 10/01/15 to 01/31/16. Offering $10.35 p/hr at time work is performed. Housing provided, 48 hrs p/wk. 3/4 guarantee, transportation, & subsistence expenses to worksite paid after 50% completion of contract. Tools, equipment provided at no cost. Duties: Operate and assist servicing trucks for hauling cotton, operate heavy transport trucks, pickup parts and supplies, maintenance and repairs, perform safety checks. Must be able to obtain a driver's license within 30-90 days of hire. Ten Hi Gin, Inc., Loop, TX. Interested? Apply at nearest Texas Workforce Commission, or call 512-475-2571, job order #TX7037888.

CHEMIST

CHEMIST Environmental Laboratory. BS or better.
Email: lab@traceanalysis.com

Concrete Workers & Heavy Equipment Operators

CONCRETE WORKERS & EXPERIENCED HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATORS NEEDED in local area. Concrete Finisher, Form Setter and Labor positions available. Call Brent @ 830-221-8665 or 830-837-0902 M-F, 8 to 5 ONLY. Acme Bridge Co. is EOE

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Now hiring counter help. We have excellent benefits including: paid vacation, 401K and health insurance. Opportunity for advancement. Starting at $11/hr. 40-45 hours per week. Apply in person.

Drafting Position

Oil and gas business seeking drafting/CAD technition. Must have knowledge of AutoCAD 15, CADWorx, pipe drafting. This is a full time position. Please provide resume to blind79705@gmail.com

FIELD APPS ENG PRIN I

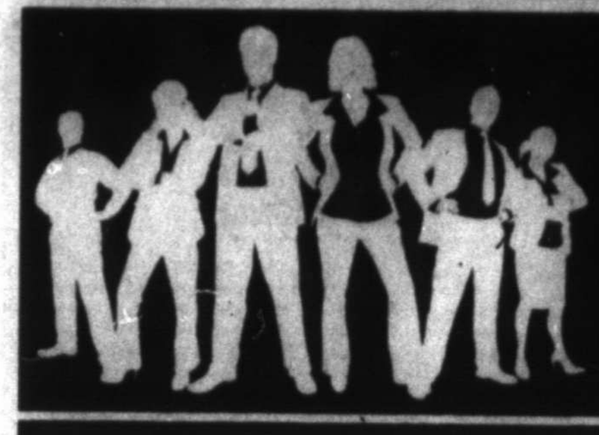
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HEALTHCARE

Martin County Hospital

Martin County Hospital District is looking for energetic people to help us deliver the best patient care possible.

Certified Provider Credentialing Specialist (CPCS) Requirements: High school diploma, plus specialized schooling and/or on the job education and two or more years experience with all aspects of the credentialing, recredentialing and privileging processes in compliance with state and federal standards.

Human Resources Director Requirements: HR certification, advanced degree in related area or equivalent professional experience in Business Administration or Human Resources. 10+ years' progressive experience and documented success in managing HR practices, staff, and objectives. Experience leading process improvement initiatives in HR. Broad knowledge and experience in employment law, compensation, organizational planning, employee relations, training and development.

Phlebotomist - Full Time Requirements: High school diploma or equivalent, Phlebotomy certification from an accredited agency - 1 year experience. Day Shift with varied schedule weekly.

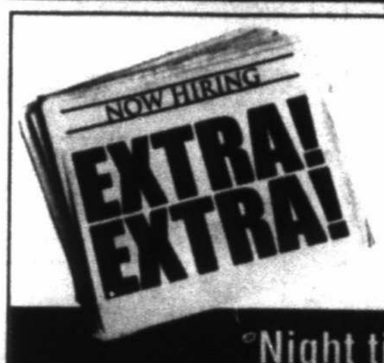
Night Shift Charge RN - Full Time Requirements: RN License through the State of Texas, CPR certification, prefer ACLS, PALS and TNNC certifications. Charge nurse or previous management experience preferred.

EMT-Paramedic and EMT-B - Requirements: EMT certification, prefer BLS, ACLS certification. FT and PRN positions

*All positions with Martin County Hospital District require a valid drivers license.

Please send all resumes to mmoncada@martinch.org or apply in person at Martin County Hospital 600 East I-20 Stanton TX 79720 432-607-3251

OTHER JOBS



Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR NIGHT TIME ASSOCIATE

Night time associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to count at a fast pace. Be able to work between the hours of 12-6 am Sunday night thru Friday night and be able to work Saturday night 8pm -4am. Will be working inside and outside depending on the job you are doing that night. Will be 5-6 nights per week. We will train the right person

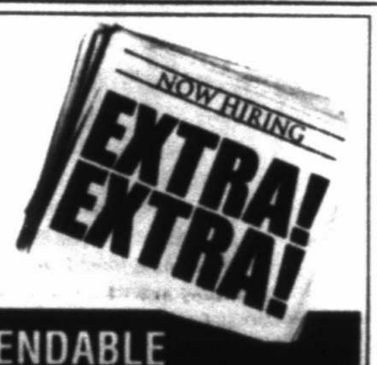
$10.00 per hour

These positions require some physical lifting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and social security card with dependable transportation.

Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois, Lobby Information Desk • Monday-Friday 8-5 or email: jmaddox@shearstop.com

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Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR PART TIME DAY ASSOCIATE



Part Time Day Associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to work Monday thru Saturday from 8am-6pm. Tuesday will be here later till about 8 or 9 pm. Need to be able to work on your feet thru 6-8 hour shift. Will work at night occasionally. We will train the right person

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Multiple Positions Available

Midland County has the following positions available:

* Network Administrator * Maintenance Assistant * Investigator * Substance Abuse Counselor * Agency Director * Bailiff

Please see our website:

www.co.midland.tx.us/departments/hr/pages/Employment for more details and applications. To be consider you must send a completed application with job reference numbers to Midland County Human Resources Office. 500 N. Loraine St., Ste. 100 Midland, TX 79701 or hr@co.midland.tx.us.

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Need part-time help cleaning horse stables. 10am-12pm. $12/hour. Call 432-413-4662

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Exploration Geologist

Independent exploration and production company seeks an exploration geologist to identify and generate oil and gas drilling opportunities in the Permian Basin. Please send resume c/o P-118 to Midland Reporter Telegram, 201 E. Illinois, Midland, TX. 79705

Fax Your Ad 682-6999

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Land Administration Consultant

Land Administration Consultant needed for part-time project work for an independent exploration & production company. Responsibilities include preparation of land agreements, exhibits, leases/lease schedules, assignments and coordination with outside landmen in acquisition of oil and gas interests. Good land administration and word processing experience necessary. Non-smoker. Send resume to P-130 c/o Midland Reporter Telegram, 201 E. Illinois, Midland, TX. 79701

REAL ESTATE

Property Manager

Fill vacancies, schedule maintenance requests, coordinate move-outs, make-ready, and move-ins. Fast paced environment. Real Estate license/experience a plus. Salary DOE. Send resume, salary requirements, and references to propmgtappl@gmail.com

SALES JOBS

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Salesperson

Basin Engine and Pump

Experienced pump salesperson needed. Excellent compensation and benefit plans provided. Email resume to Todd@basinengine.com.

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LABORATORY TECHNICIAN

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SKILLED LABOR

Cathodic Protection Technicians

Cathodic Protection Technicians needed. Some experience is preferred. Salary DOE. Locations near Big Lake TX. & Midland TX. Fax resume to 325-473-7881 or mail to West Texas Gas P.O. Drawer S. 209 N.E. Railroad, Bronte Tx. 76933.

Diesel Mechanics

Experienced Diesel Mechanics. must have own tools. Benefits provided. Apply at 3000 Garden City Hwy, Midland TX. Fax resume to: 432-686-0820, or email: mastertruckrailer@sbcglobal.net. Pay depends on Experience.

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Basin Engine and Pump

Field Mechanic needed for Industrial Oilfield Shop. Uniforms provided. Experience is required. Benefits package includes vacation, health insurance and retirement match savings. Salary depends on experience. Please submit resume by fax to 432-570-1115 or email to Todd@basinengine.com. Applications may be filled out at 1914 South County Rd 1083-Midland.

SKILLED LABOR

Project Manager

Mid-Tex of Midland, Inc.

Now hiring a commercial construction project expeditor/project manager. Competitive pay plus excellent benefits. Experience in commercial construction a must. Please send resumes to 5206 W. Wadley Ave.; Midland, Texas 79707, or you may email your resume to Alan White at alan@midtexofmidland.com

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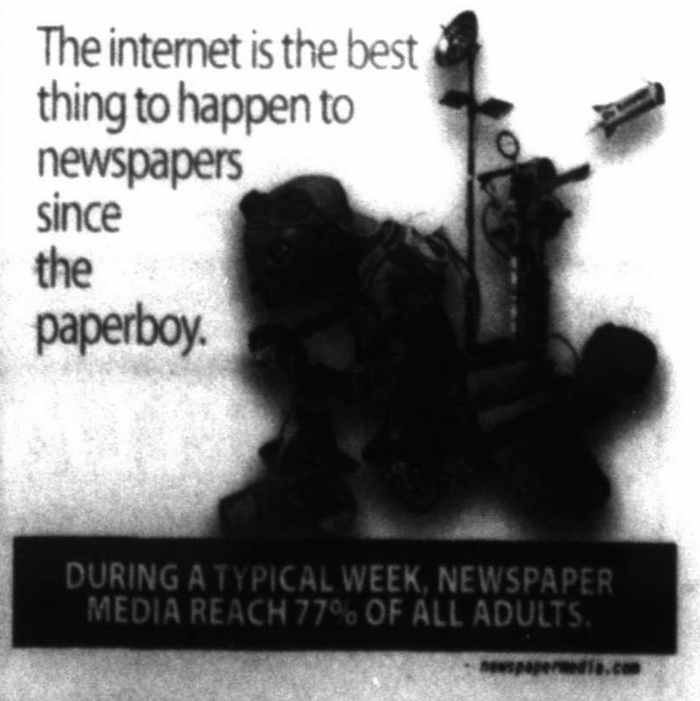
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PRETEND YOUR WAY TO POWER

TO BE A MOVER AND SHAKER, FIRST BE A FAKER

By PATRICIA V. RIVERA
CTW FEATURES

It's not necessary to think like a leader to become one — at least not at first.

But it is necessary to act like one because leaders are made from the outside in, writes Herminia Ibarra in her book, "Act Like a Leader, Think Like a Leader" (Harvard Business Review Press, 2015).

It's not about raiding retirement savings in order to sport a Rolex like the big boss. Rather, "in order to act your way to becoming a more effective leader, you need to make three important changes in what you do and how you do it," Ibarra says.

For starters, change what you do in your day-to-day work. "Most people allocate too much time to routine operations, solving today's problem and executing on immediate directives," Ibarra says. "None of this will give you the more strategic perspective you need to contribute at a higher level."

You can't get a strategic perspective by sitting around the office, staying in your assigned silo or sticking with your skill set. You need to get perspective, on the big picture.

Her advice: "Sign up for a new project, task force, professional association or extracurricular professional activity to learn new skills and broaden your horizons."

While you're at it, look for opportunities to diversify your network. Even established leaders can be guilty of consulting a "mostly internal network of usual suspects" for information, advice and ideas, Ibarra says, which limits their capacity to think broadly and strategically about their business.

"You need to diversify your network so that you connect to and learn from a bigger range of people," she adds.

Act now: "As a first step, start reaching out to people in different parts of your company or industry. Go for coffee or lunch, learn what they do, how they contribute to their organization, and how it may apply to your work," Ibarra says.

Lastly, transform your leadership style and identity. "To influence and inspire a broader array of people you have to do things that don't come naturally," says Ibarra.

Become an understudy and identify people whose leadership you admire and imitate it. "What do they do especially well? Try to adopt some of what they do," Ibarra says.

Inconsistency is to be expected at first and does mean you're being fake, says Ibarra. "The trick is to work toward a future version of your authentic self by stretching way outside the boundaries of who you are today," she says.

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THE PERILS OF EMPLOYMENT CREDIT CHECKS

CREDIT CHECKS TO SCREEN JOB CANDIDATES? HERE'S WHY IT MAY BE HARMFUL

By CHRIS GELBACH
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You applied, aced the interview and received a contingent job offer. But then the company pulled it after checking your credit. It's a scenario that happens often across much of America.

Forty-seven percent of organizations polled in a 2012 survey by the Society for Human Resource Management said they conduct credit checks as part of the employment-screening process. Of those that do, 58 percent do it after a contingent job offer, and 33 percent after the interview.

But Susan Shin, a senior staff attorney for the New Economy Project in New York, says that the credit checks sometimes don't even stop there. "Employers are also running these credit check on their current employees," Shin says. "So it's not just job applicants, but also their current employees who are suffering from this."

The top reasons companies gave for conducting credit background checks on job candidates in the SHRM study were to reduce/prevent theft and embezzlement (45 percent), reduce legal liability for negligent hiring (22 percent) and to assess the overall trustworthiness of the candidate (19 percent). Unfortunately, there's not much evidence to support credit checks' effectiveness in getting at these qualities.

"There's an assumption that if you have certain things in your credit report, then that says something bad about you, but there's no evidence to actually suggest that," says Jeremy Bernerth, an assistant professor in the E.J. Ourso College of Business at Louisiana State University, who co-authored a 2011 empirical study investigating the topic.

In the study, the researchers had about 200 people fill out a personality survey, ran their credit score, and then had their boss fill out a performance evaluation on them. "The credit score was not related to counterproductive or deviant aspects of performance," Bernerth says. "I think there's an assumption that if you're in debt you might steal or embezzle from your company. But our study didn't find that at all."

Credit scores are traditionally used by lenders, insurers and landlords. But by marketing to employers, the major credit bureaus were able to successfully develop another customer category, Bernerth and his colleagues launched their study after hearing radio and television ads touting credit checks as a legitimate tool to screen job candidates. "And we're looking at each other as people who study this for a living and said 'What? Where's the evidence to back up that claim?'"

While the study was published in 2011, Bernerth is unaware of additional research published since that confirm the merits of credit checks as an employee selection tool. Instead, what a credit check may reveal better are unfortunate life circumstances. A 2013 study by the think tank Demos found that poor credit is associated with factors such as household unemployment, lack of health coverage and medical debt. A 2012 study by the Federal Trade Commission revealed that 20 percent of consumers had errors in their credit reports. And a 2014 report from the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau found that consumers' credit scores may be overly penalized for medical debt.

The practice also may raise privacy concerns. "Why should a person have to share with an employer that he or she may have had some serious medical issues? Or that they had to file for divorce? Or that they have a lot of student loans? Sharing that level of personal info vers into areas that employers already cannot ask about under a lot of human rights discrimination laws," Shin says.

To check your own credit, you can request a free credit report from each of the major national credit agencies once every 12 months; visit annualcreditreport.com to request a report. You can request an additional free report if you are denied a job because of bad credit or if you are unemployed and intend to apply for employment within 60 days of the request.

While credit checks remain a potential hazard for many workers, 10 states now limit employers' use of credit reports in making hiring or other job decisions. Cities such as Chicago and New York also have passed restrictions on the practice.

Shin notes that the practice may actually hurt employers by causing them to lose out on good applicants and employees. And given the question marks that surround the validity of credit checks as an assessment tool, Bernerth recommends that employers temper their reliance on them.

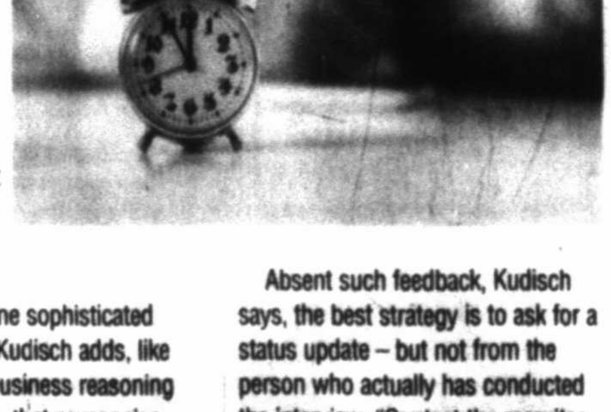
"What we do know is that there are other options that show extremely high validity in predicting who's going to be successful in a job, or who's not going to be stealing from the company," Bernerth says. These include tried-and-true tools like IQ tests, structured interviews and biographical data.

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JOB HUNT

WORTH THE WAIT

Finding the right candidate takes time. Here's why today's hiring process may take a bit longer than you'd like



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In May, it took an average of 27.8 days for employers to fill open positions, the longest it has taken since University of Chicago economist Steven Davis co-developed a "DHI-DFH Mean Vacancy Duration Measure" in 2001.

The May figure is a four-day jump from April's 23.7 average and significantly up from 15 days in mid-2009.

Longer stretches from job posting to a hire typically mean that there are fewer job seekers overall, and/or fewer candidates with specialized skills needed by employers, says Davis.

Jeff Kudisch, managing director of the Office of Career Services at the University of Maryland Robert H. Smith School of Business, says that although he frequently hears from anxious candidates waiting for feedback after an interview or other initial assessment, long intervals are a positive because employers are more painstakingly selecting the right person for the job.

Davis agrees: "If an employer screens out all but the most highly qualified applicants, or deliberately restricts attention to persons who already have strong track records and good positions, it is likely to fill the position more slowly," he says.

"There are some sophisticated tools out there," Kudisch adds, like personality and business reasoning assessment tests, that companies are using to ensure a hire is a good fit."

Still, Kudisch wishes companies simply would tell candidates, "Here's where we are at in the process."

Absent such feedback, Kudisch says, the best strategy is to ask for a status update – but not from the person who actually has conducted the interview. "Contact the recruiter or the lead HR person who initially contacted you for the position," he suggests.

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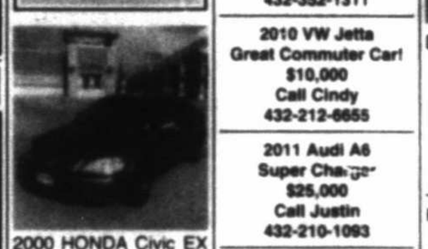
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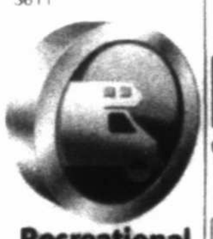
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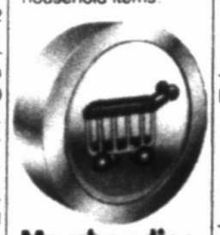
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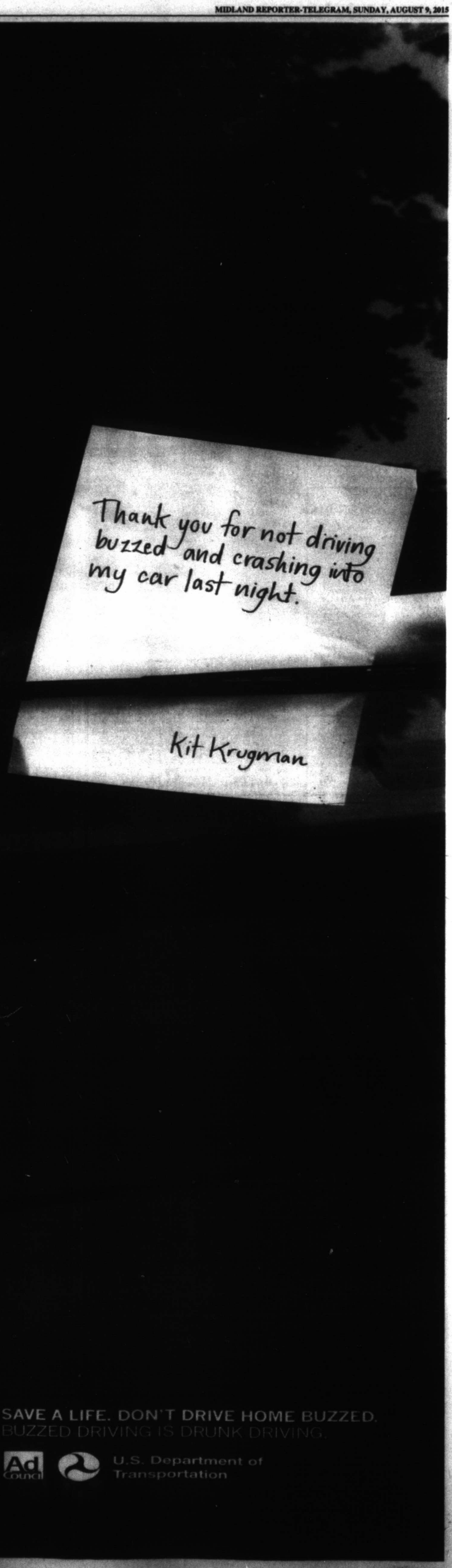
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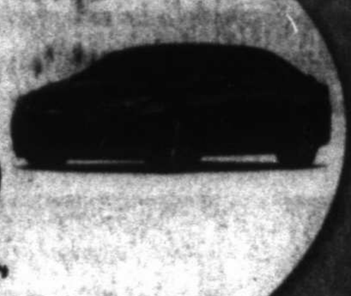
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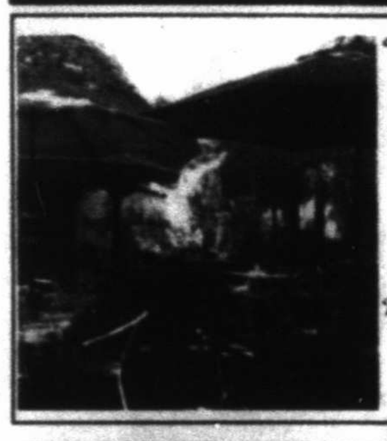
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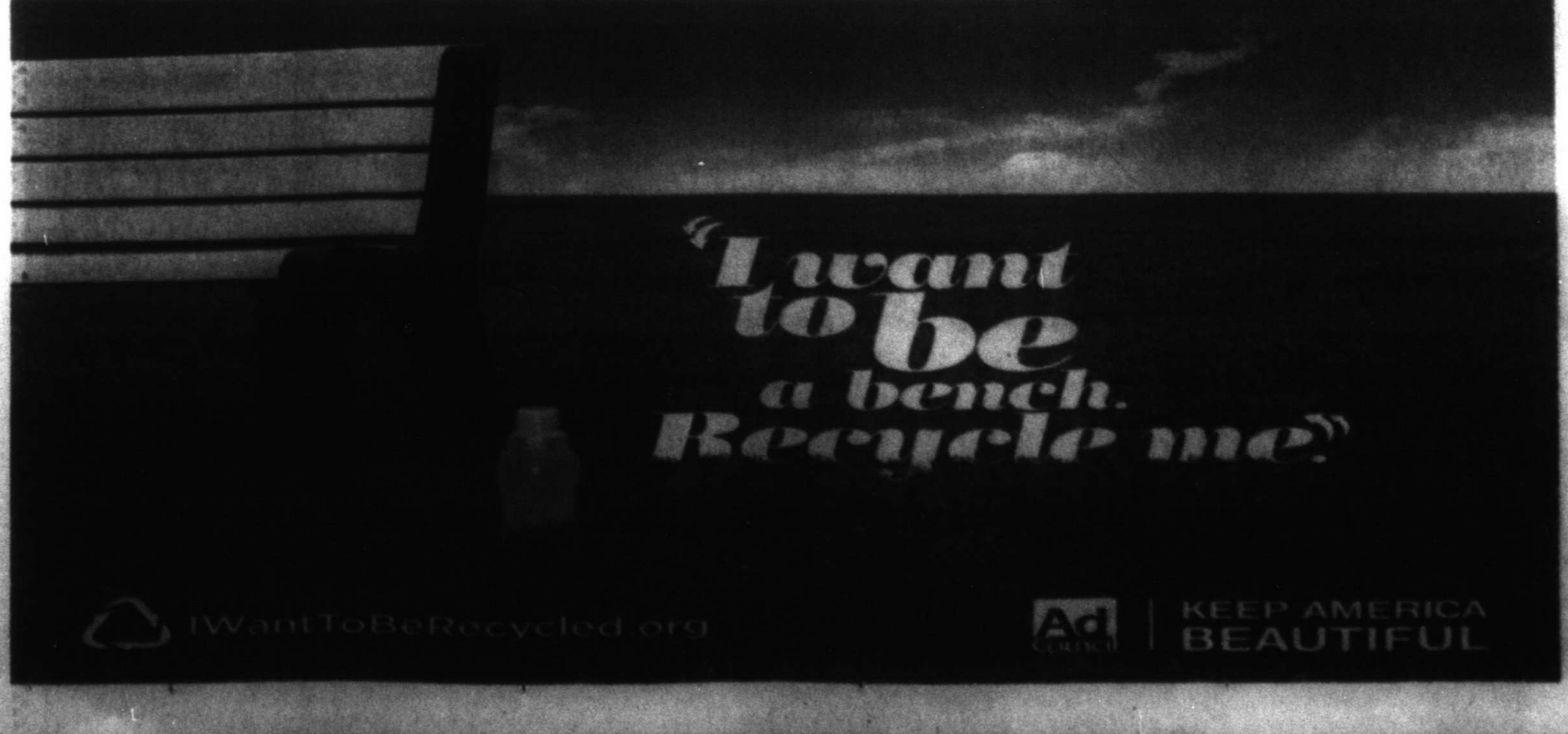
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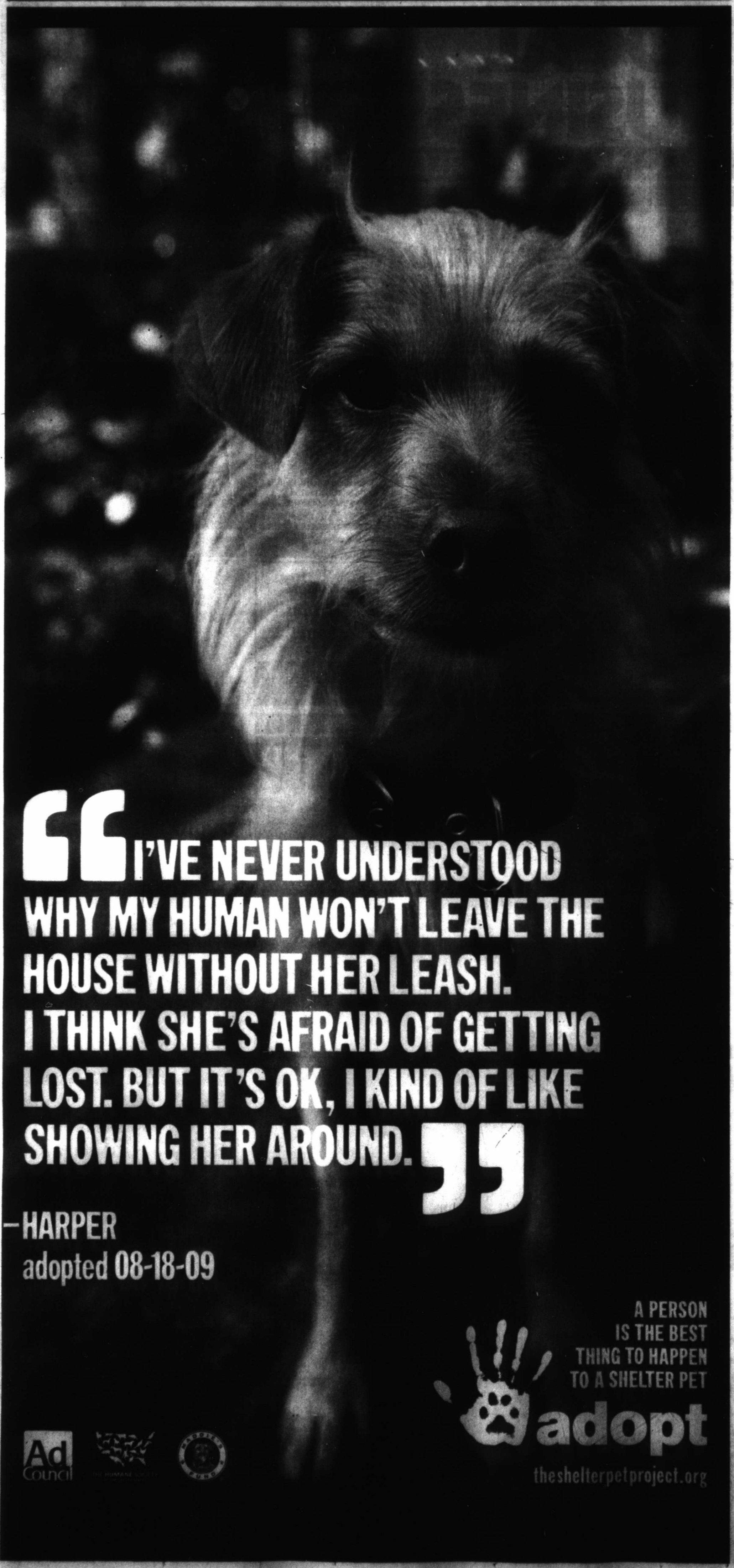
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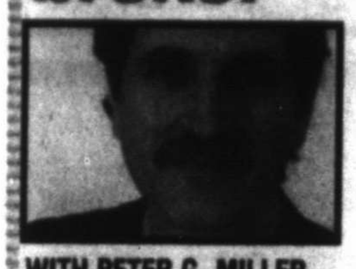
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ANSWER:

Home values have risen substantially in the past few years, but they have not risen everywhere. The National Association of Realtors reports that in the first quarter home values rose in 148 metro areas when compared with a year earlier – but also fell in 25 areas during the same period. The Federal Housing Finance Agency reports that as of February, the latest month available, home values were up 5.4 percent when compared with February 2014. However – and this is a very big deal – home prices nationwide remained 2.9 percent below their 2007 peak.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development says that to qualify for an Federal Housing Administration-backed reverse mortgage, "the FHA requires that you be a homeowner 62 years of age or older, own your home outright, or have a low mortgage balance that can be paid off at closing with proceeds from the reverse loan, have the financial resources to pay ongoing property charges including taxes and insurance, and you must live in the home."

One idea with reverse mortgage financing is to pay off a small existing loan with a reverse mortgage. If you can do this then you can go from having monthly payments for principal and interest to no required payments for such costs. You still remain responsible for such expenses as property taxes and insurance.

In your situation you have a property worth $180,000 with $165,000 in current financing. In the best case this means you have $15,000 in equity, not nearly enough to benefit from an FHA-insured reverse mortgage, according to the online calculator provided by the National Reverse Mortgage Lenders Association.

However, you might still be able to refinance if you're looking for a lower rate. The government's Home Affordable Refinance Program may enable you to refinance to a lower rate if, among other requirements, you have a good payment history during the past year, your loan was originated prior to May 31, 2009, and it's now owned or guaranteed by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac. With HARP, qualified borrowers can refinance even if their property has no equity. For specifics, speak with local lenders.

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By ERIK MARTIN
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Think you have a good idea of the price your home can fetch today? It's likely you could be putting a higher value on your residence than the market will bear, according to a new data.

On average, homeowners overestimate the value of their properties by approximately 8 percent, according to a study recently published in the Journal of Housing Economics. Researchers involved indicate that this phenomenon is probably due to incorrect estimations by owners of the potential capital gains they've amassed in the property.

Lending weight to this evidence of overvaluation are the results of a separate survey conducted by Quicken Loans. Its most recent monthly survey revealed a growing gap nationally, on average, between appraiser valuations and what owners believe their homes are worth. Currently, homeowners are overestimating the worth of their homes by 0.69 percent (up from 0.40 percent a month earlier).

If you're preparing to sell your house, setting the right price can quickly make or break a sale. But even if you don't plan to sell your digs anytime soon, it's important to accurately gauge its worth.

"This is especially true if you're considering a refinance or home equity loan. Going into the process with an accurate understanding of your home's value will help you understand how much money you qualify for," says Christine Lutz, director of residential brokerage for Kinzie Real Estate Group in Chicago.

Additionally, it's smart to determine correct value to keep pace with your local market.

"Maybe the neighborhood is changing or improving and you need to keep with the times by renovating or improving your landscaping, as the neighbors might have done, to increase your value even more if it's going up," says Bill Mulholland, broker/owner of Real Living Reserve Realtors in Fairfax, Virginia. "But if your value is going down, maybe it's due to dated features or neglect in your neighborhood."

In the latter scenario, it's a good idea to know what renovation projects will provide a better return on your investment, based on what your home's current value and nearby home values.

Several free online resources can help you ascertain residential worth, such as Realtor.com, Redfin and Zillow. Additionally, you can search area newspapers for published lists of recently sold properties and browse through local county records for comparable homes that have recently sold.

However, many experts recommend enlisting the help of a professional to obtain a truer valuation for your local market.

"Online tools are great, but the algorithms that these home calculators use do not and cannot account for the home's interior and other important factors that affect value," Mulholland says. "[An agent] can tour your home, consider all the factors and provide a written comparative market analysis report that indicates an accurate value. Most [agents] will do this at no cost to earn your future business."

You also may want to consider hiring a local appraiser, who can provide a professional estimate of your home's worth – although this can cost $300 or more.

Whatever method you employ, be sure to put the results in proper context, as many factors can affect a home's value.

"Value can quickly increase if supply becomes tight in your market, a major job creator moves into the area, or new retail or service amenities open nearby," says Lutz. "Values can be negatively affected if nearby retail becomes vacant for a long time, if a large employer closes or moves, or if zoning changes affect your property."

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TRENDS

EVERYBODY'S WALKIN'

Young Americans, who would much rather walk than drive, are leading an increasing preference for walkable communities



Thirty years ago, "Back to the Future" predicted that in 2015 we wouldn't need roads.

While roads obviously remain a necessity in 2015, for millennials, a roadless society would be most welcome – even without the flying DeLoreans.

Millennials — the young demographic of 18- to 34-year-olds – prefer walking as a mode of transportation over driving by 12 percentage points, according to the 2015 National Community and Transportation Preference Survey conducted by the National Association of Realtors and the Transportation Research Center at Portland State University. Further, they show a preference for attached housing, walkable communities and short commutes, and they are the group most likely to use public transportation.

The transportation survey showed millennials have a stronger preference over other generational groups when it comes to expanding public transportation and providing transportation alternatives to driving, such as biking and walking.

Overall, the survey found Americans are increasingly showing a preference for walkable communities, where they do not need to drive long distances to go to work or shop. Nearly half (48 percent) of the survey respondents say they would prefer to live in communities with houses with small yards but within close walking distance of local amenities versus larger-yarded areas where amenities have to be driven to. More than half (60 percent) of those surveyed said they currently live in detached, single-family homes, but a quarter of the respondents said they would rather live in an attached home and have greater walkability within their neighborhood.

Among another walk-friendly preferences in the survey:

- 85 percent of participants said sidewalks are a positive factor when purchasing a home.
- 79 percent place importance on being within easy walking distance of places.
- Women in particular – 81 percent – indicate having sidewalks and nearby stores and restaurants are very important.

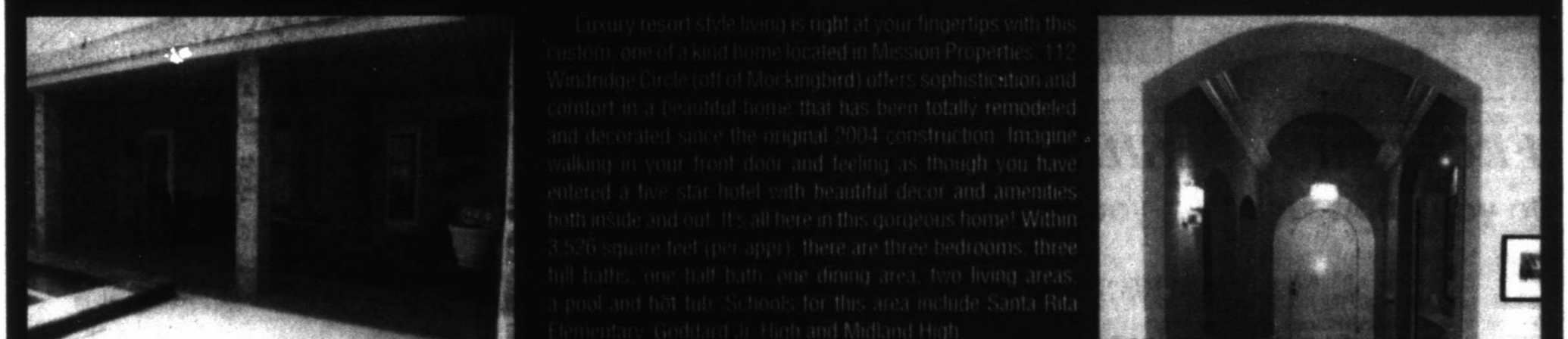
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112 Windridge Circle



Luxury resort style living is right at your fingertips with this custom, one of a kind home located in Mission Properties. 112 Windridge Circle (off of Mockingbird) offers sophistication and comfort in a beautiful home that has been totally remodeled and decorated since the original 2004 construction. Imagine walking in your front door and feeling as though you have entered a five star hotel with beautiful decor and amenities both inside and out. It's all here in this gorgeous home! Within 3,526 square feet (per appr), there are three bedrooms, three full baths, one half bath, one dining area, two living areas, a pool, and hot tub. Schools for this area include Santa Rita Elementary, Goddard Jr. High and Midland High.

The architectural styling of this house is unique and includes a barrel ceiling on a long entrance hallway, arched doorways, various ceiling styles, tall ceilings, eight foot doors, inserts on the walls for artwork and more!

As you enter, you will notice beautiful tile flooring flowing throughout main areas of the home. To the right is the living area with a fireplace and wet bar. This is a perfect room for entertaining as guests can easily move to other areas such as the media room which is on the left. As you walk through the impressive entry, a wet bar also has an exterior door to the backyard and covered patio.

A hallway to the left leads to two spacious bedrooms. All bedrooms have plush carpeting, walk-in closets and beautifully custom decorated bathrooms. Everything is new!

The kitchen is new as well with walls of cabinets for storage, stainless appliances including a professional size Kitchenaid refrigerator, double ovens, warming oven, gas stovetop and granite countertops with bar seating. Nearby, you will appreciate the round cutout ceiling and contemporary chandelier over the eating area. A walk-in pantry is down a hallway as well as the laundry room and access to the three car garage. Also in the hallway is a half bath, which is convenient for those at the pool.

The sequestered master continues the atmosphere of a luxury getaway. Spacious and inviting, you have a view of the porch and relaxing pool. Inside the master bath, a walk-in double rain shower and a separate shear shower will provide a spa-like environment. Dual sinks and dressing areas in addition to a large walk-in closet with a built-in dresser, shelves and island will keep you organized.

Outside, you and your guests will enjoy dining under the covered porch or relaxing by the stone fireplace in cooler weather. The pool and hot tub add to the beauty of the low maintenance backyard. All of this is enclosed by a brick fence for privacy.

Additional amenities include alley entrance, satellite system, wet bar, surround sound, sequestered rear lot, tankless water heater and automatic sprinkler.

If you want a home that has been totally remodeled and is one of a kind, this is the house for you!

Listed at $625,000, contact Jon Short, Real Estate One Midland, (432) 528-4390 or (432) 682-1111 ext. 3018 for more information. MLS#105636



A Good Time to Buy

More Americans believe that now is a good time to buy a home and the sentiment has pushed a key indicator to a record high. Fannie Mae's National Housing Survey for last month sees the index move higher than 50 for the first time as optimism increased 3 percentage points. The 52 percent score for the index reflects better housing supply together with more favorable data on employment and the economy as a whole. Fannie's survey of rent expectations has also hit a new high of 59 percent expecting rents to rise in the next 12 months. Doug Duncan, senior vice president and chief economist at Fannie Mae noted: "Together, these results point to a healthier home purchase market, with more renters likely to find owning to be more cost-effective than renting and more sellers likely to put their homes on the market." Half of respondents believe that interest rates will increase over the next 12 months, a slightly higher percentage than the previously month. *Source: Fannie Mae*



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5 Upgrades for Your Outdoor Eating Space

Summer is a time when the days are long, and the nights are warm. This means you're most likely spending more time eating al fresco. No longer does your outdoor eating area need to contain merely a grill and a picnic table. Whether you're prepping your home for sale, or simply looking to make the most out of your property, the following tips will give your home that high-end outdoor-kitchen feel.

1. Add a prep space. When manning the grill, it's important to have an area to rest your grilling accoutrement, and a space for doing prep work – skewering veggies or stacking burgers waiting to hit the flame. This extra space will lend your stand-alone grill a real outdoor kitchen feel. Make space by finding a small, outdoor-friendly table that matches the height of your grill. Something with storage space for keeping utensils and grill-ware is an added bonus.

2. Add a roof. While most dining tables come with an umbrella, it's important to remember to shade the grill-master, too. If your grill is in an open area, consider adding a roof or simple overhead structure to provide shade and offer reprieve from any sudden summer showers. Just be sure the roof is a safe distance from the flame range to negate any risk of fire, and remember not to edge your grill up to your house, which is a fire hazard on it's own.

3. Add a window bar. While it's not a good idea to sidle up your grill to your house, consider renovating a window to create a window bar. If your kitchen is adjacent to your outdoor dining space, expand the window and add a bar top for a very cool retreat-like experience. Not only can you serve drinks and appetizers on the bar top, but you now have easy grill-to-kitchen access. Throw in a couple of outdoor bar stools and you have a new entertaining station.

4. Set in a sink. While many people have sinks in their laundry or mud rooms, a sink in your outdoor kitchen makes dish-washing and cleanup a cinch. Adding a sink really lends that "outdoor-kitchen" feel to your grill station.

5. Add a mini-fridge. If you have a nearby power outlet, consider housing a mini fridge near your outdoor cooking spot to keep drinks, meats and dairy cool and ready for serving.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

Do you know what's in your credit report?

If you're buying a home, it's likely that you'll be applying for a mortgage. But before lenders decide what they're willing to offer you, they will want information about your employment history, salary, bank-account balances and your credit history.

Now you know that lenders will request your credit history, but are you aware of what they will find?

You can't afford not to get your credit report

The Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions (FACT) Act of 2003 made it possible for consumers to access free copies of credit reports (also called credit-file disclosures). The free reports list key aspects of your financial history.

Before you apply for a loan, you should request a free credit report to get an idea of what a lender would see. If the report has errors, you can correct them before they affect your ability to qualify for a mortgage loan. And if you find legitimate flaws, you might be able to take steps to improve your credit standing before purchasing a property. Your REALTOR® may be able to help you find resources to repair your credit.

How many credit reports can you request?

You can request one free credit report every 12 months from each of the three major consumer credit-reporting agencies: Equifax, Experian and TransUnion. But you don't have to get all three reports at once. How many you request and when is up to you. If you know you will be applying for a loan soon, you might choose to receive all three at the same time to look for errors or legitimate problems that only appear on one or two of your reports. You can also directly compare all three reports at the same point in time.

Or, you can space out the reports to receive one on a quarterly basis or one each month for three months in a row. Getting the reports periodically can help you monitor changes and is a good way to find out whether you have fallen victim to identity theft.

What's in the report?

A credit report lists how much you borrow, whether you pay on time, if you've been sued or have declared bankruptcy. The disclosure includes some information that a third party would not receive, such as medical-account info.

It's important to note that a credit report is not the same as a credit score. If you want your credit score, you typically have to purchase that information.

How do I get my reports?

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Once your information is verified, your report will appear on the screen and is usually available to download onto your computer. If you find errors, you should work directly with the credit-reporting agencies by submitting written documentation of the mistakes. Their sites are www.equifax.com, www.experian.com and www.transunion.com.

If you do not want to use the Internet to access your reports, you can request them by phone at (877) 322-8228. You can also mail a request to Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, Ga., 30348-5281.

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A legitimate report, though, that you request through the Web site, by phone or by mail can help you make sure your credit is in good shape to pursue your dream of buying a home.

Find more advice on buying real estate at www.pbbor.org.



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The Bottom Line

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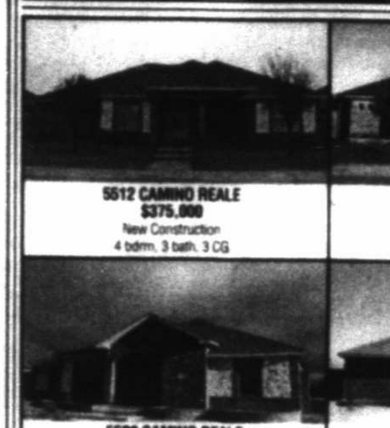
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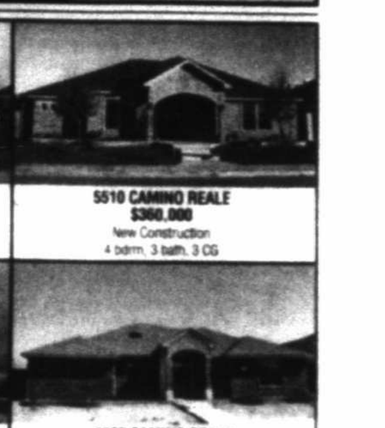
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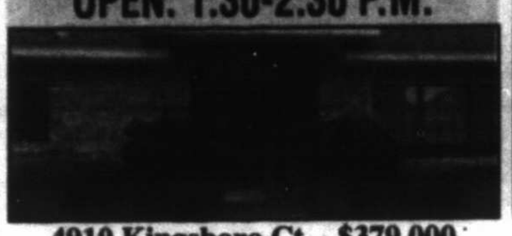
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Featured Homes



519 Sir Barton Pkwy. - $1,200,000



2001 Sinclair Ave. - $2,250,000

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New and Reduced Listings

3901 Sinclair Ave.-Best of the best in Warwick! $2,250,000
519 Sir Barton Pkwy-Custom built home in Solomon Estates. Open spacious plan $1,200,000
112 Woodridge Circle-Truly beautiful 3 bdrm/3.5 bth home w/pool & hot tub $625,000
3810 Jasmine-Oasis on the interstate! $549,900
5186 Brighton Place-Beautiful 3 bedrooms, 2 bath home in Saddle Club South $525,000
2100 Wadley #88-Large spacious Chandelle Condo w/3 bdrms/3bths $180,000
4014 Richmond-3BR, 2.5 bath, updated kitchen & baths $3,000/Month

Two Bedrooms

2501 E FM 1379-Fabulous home on 5+- ac. 1/2 ac. Long list of amenities! $500,000
4107 G. County Rd. 184-Ishler built 2 bdrm/2 bth home on 10.5 acres with restrictions, and is a very nice neighborhood $245,000
2200 North H St.-Spacious 2br, 2 bath, neutral decor open kitchen/dining area, large utility room and pantry $219,900
4723 45 Spring Meadow Lk.-Spacious 2br/ 2 1/2 bath, gorgeous fireplace, walls of windows, great kitchen! $215,000
2 Oak Lawn Park-2 bdrms/2 bths Low Maintenance townhouse in Oaklawn Park! $209,000
3624 Lonaks Ave.-Beautiful spacious townhome with 2 bedrooms-each a suite $209,900
412 E. Wadley Ave.-Very well taken care of and is lovely and comfortable as can be! ..... U/C- $149,900
600 Liddon-Charming, updated, affordable classy 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath condo ..... U/C- $115,000

Three Bedrooms

1209 W. Cuthbert-Updated in the heart of Old Midland, wonderful pool! ..... U/C- $685,000
112 Woodridge Circle-Truly beautiful 3 bdrm/3.5 bth home w/pool & hot tub $625,000
10000 S. Co. Rd. 1210-Great country property! Nice appliances, granite, wood shutters and more! $525,000
2007 Seaboard Ave.-Wonderful 3 bdr/3.5 bth home in the heart of Warwick! Master bedroom has his and her baths! ..... U/C- $500,000
4410 Tonlaroa Ave.-Best acreage in city limits! Wonderful 3 bdrm/2 bath home on 2.75 acres with room to roam! $499,000
3810 Coyote-Spacious quiet country living! Perfect for entertaining inside and out! You will never need to leave home! $460,000
4403 Green Tree-Contemporary 3bdrm/3.5 bath home in Green Tree $425,000
1700 Mahony-Simply gorgeous, 3-2.5, formals, w/fab gates, many new upgrades, lovely Huntington Place $329,900
4910 Kingsboro Ct.-Meadow Park jewel! Lots of new in this spacious 3 bedroom 3.5 bath home! Walk to Pool and Clubhouse! $379,000
Lot1/BlkO E. County Rd. 129-New construction 3 bedroom/2.5 bath home in The Meadows $369,000
2102 Rowly Ave.-Many updates in this 3 bdrm/2.5bth townhouse in Old Midland ..... U/C- $149,900
3225 Patricia-Lovely 3br/2bth with many extras. Open,floor plan, lovely kitchen w/granite & spacious rooms ..... U/C- $322,500
5185 Brighton Place-Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath home in Saddle Club South $327,000
5808 San Saba-Wonderful 3/2.5/2/2 Mark Payne one owner home. A must see! $314,900
13304 FM 307- Wonderful 3Bdrm/2Bth home with great additions $299,000
3900 S. County Rd. 1184-Spacious 3BR, great country property $298,000
4304 Guadalupe-3BR/2BA/2 gar patio home ..... SOLD- $210,000
4305 Guadalupe-3BR/2BA/2 gar patio home $288,000
2513 Stanolind Ave.- Spacious and charming home in Fannin district! Great kitchen ..... U/C- $284,900
5400 Rio Grande Ave.- Beautiful spacious, 3 bedroom/3 bath home with open floor plan and tons of light! ..... U/C- $279,900
2805 Exeter Ave.-Lovely patio home with updated kitchen. Centrally located to everything $274,900
4205 Nelson-Spacious 3bdr/2.5bth home with many updates. Spectacular back patio w/gorgeous ..... U/C- $259,900
2304 Stanolind Ave.3 bedroom/2 bath home. Great block in Old Midland \ ..... U/C- $259,900
1700 Huntington St.- Lots of new in this charming 3 bedroom, 2 bath home!-with 2 living areas and 2 dining ..... U/C- $250,000
51 Ward Rd.-Fabulous Lake Henry get-away. This 3 bdrms/2bth home is located within HOA gated community $249,900
34 E. Harvard Circle, Odessa-Upgraded in a grand way. this 3 bdrm/2 bth home is a must see! ..... SOLD- $239,000
3103 Elma Dr.- Spacious 3 bdrm/2 bth home in lovely quiet neighborhood with mature trees $238,000
3800 Idlewilde Dr.- immaculate, well cared for home w/3BR/2 baths and many updates ..... SOLD- $229,500
3605 Princeton Ave.- 3 bedroom home - move right in! Good plan, pretty kitchen, no yard in back $229,000
1100 Alaska St.-Lovely 3 bdrm/2.5 bth home on quiet tree lined street in established neighborhood with nice updates $219,900
3810 Fredna Pl.-Gently lived in 3bdrm/2bth home with excellent floorplan $219,900
2003 W. Golf Course Rd.- Spacious 3BR/2BA home w/neutral paint throughout/ some updates/ abundant storage $219,900

Three Bedrooms

2100 Wadley #85-Large spacious Chandelle Condo w/3 bdrms/3bths $199,900
2217 Lockheed Dr.-Charming 3 bdrm/2bth home with great floor plan & location! Investors welcome! $175,000
3010 Beaumont Ave.-Can you say right place at right time? Open kitchen/den concept and ..... U/C- $125,000

Four Bedrooms

510 Sir Barton Pkwy-Custom built home in Solomon Estates. Open spacious plan $1,200,000
6926 Inland Circle-6/5.5-Exquisite Greentree jewel. Fabulous master suite. ESTATE on the LAKE!! $999,900
6418 Diablo Horn Ln.-Gorgeous 2012 Parade of Homes on .556 acres. 4Br. 3.5 ba, 2 living, 2 dining, 4 garage $825,000
2002 Stanolind-Coveted Warwick - 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, move in ready! $795,000
3900 Fairwood Ct.-Updated in Mockingbird Heights. 2 story, granite, and full guest house! $749,500
2105 Co. Rd. 1060-Beautiful custom 4bdr/3bth Tom Woodruff resale on 5 acres/ wrap the bells and whistles! ..... SOLD- $459,000
7913 Ridgehorn Ct.-Gently lived in one owner McPherson resale w/updates, lovely mature landscaping ..... SOLD- $459,000
Lot1/Blk3 E. County Rd. 129-home in The Meadows. Call Holly to make selections now such as granite, brick, etc $449,000
6607 E. Co. Rd. 110-Beautiful 4 bdr/3bth Ashington home offers quiet spacious country living wall the bells & whistles! $446,000
1707 Cuthbert Ave.- Great 4 bedroom/3 bath home for entertaining and family living, grand pool and patio! ..... U/C- $439,000
2405 Humble- Absolutely stunning 4 bedroom/3bath home with major renovations throughout! ..... SOLD- $435,000
7200 E. Co. Rd. 113-Beautiful Chaney Ranch Horny while you can still choose your selection today $409,320
3600 Westwood-Gorgeous 4bdrm/2bth w/perfect kitchen, large living areas $399,900
7200 E. County Rd. 112-Chaney Ranch is finally ready for you! Dream Home! You can make all your selections now $386,460
5713 Camino Reale-Beautiful high quality spacious 4 bedroom/2 bath Carrasco home with attention to details and amenities! $379,900
4305 Llano Ct.-Beautiful custom 4br/2bth - priced below most comps in the neighborhood! Don't miss the 4 car garage! $375,000
4307 Llano Ct.-Custom 4br/2bth with oversized kitchen with wonderful island is also plumbed for a gas cooktop. Beautiful! $375,000
4401 Llano Ct.-Beautiful 4br/2bth Custom home ..... SOLD- $370,000
Lot2/Blk3 E. County Rd. 129-New construction in The Meadows. Call Holly to make selections now $363,700
5404 San Saba Ct.-Beautifully laid out 4bdrm/2bth home w/oversized rooms, high ceilings, open kitchen. $344,500
2701 S. Co. Rd. 1080-Better than new! 4 bdrm/3 bth with lots of amenities, good plan, great fenced yard on 1.2 acres! $339,500
903 Boyd Ave.-Large, wonderful 4 bedroom, 4 full bath home, under 300k on oversized lot, great for large family $299,000
7 Bristol Court-Move-in ready! Spacious updated home on quiet cul-de-sac! ..... U/C- $298,750
2021 West Dr.-Great storage throughout this 4bdrm/2.5 bath home with attractive backyard and spa! $298,500
0111 Sun Tee-The Mirella plan by Perman Homes in Daybreak Estates ..... U/C- $279,900
2302 Stanolind-Stainless appliances!!! Fridge, washer & dryer stay with this 4/2/2 living in Fannin School area $269,000
5201 Co. Rd. 1167-4 bedroom/3 bath home on 3.76 acres. A perfect little oasis in the country $239,900
3906 Fannin Ave.-Open living and dining, great location! $207,900
5000 S. Co. Rd. 1136-Large, spacious 4 bdrm/2 bth manufactured home on 1 acre. $129,000

Five or More Bedrooms

2001 Sinclair Ave.-Best of the best in Warwick! 7bdrms/6fbths/4hbths. WOW! $2,250,000
6926 Inland Circle-6/5.5-Exquisite Greentree jewel. Fabulous master suite. ESTATE on the LAKE!! $999,900
2903 Sinclair Ave.-Fabulous 5 bedroom in Warwick. 4LA, pool, spa, game room, beautifully updated ..... U/C- $649,900
2902 Lockheed Ave.-Well maintained 5 bdrm/4.5 baths, great block in Old Midland ..... U/C- $369,500
6010 W. County Rd. 41-Charming country home in Sunridge Ranch Estates. Gorgeous kitchen and tile wood floors! ..... U/C- $359,900

New Construction

4305 Llano Ct.-Beautiful custom 4br/2bth - priced below most comps in the neighborhood! Don't miss the 4 car garage! $375,000
4307 Llano Ct.-Custom 4br/2bth with oversized kitchen with wonderful island is also plumbed for a gas cooktop. Beautiful! $375,000
Chaney Ranch-Call Holly Cohen to build your dream home Greenwood subdivision w/acreage $30-300/

Town Houses and Patio Homes

4302 Guadalupe-3BR/2BA/2 gar. patio home ..... U/C- $299,900
4306 Guadalupe-3BR/2BA/2 gar patio home $299,900
900 Liddon-Charming, updated, affordable classy 2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath townhome under $120,000 ..... U/C- $119,500

For Lease

4014 Richmond-3BR, 2.5 bath, updated kitchen & baths $3,000/Month
1503 Club-One yr. old beautiful open floorplan townhome with 2 bdrms/2 baths $2,200/Month
2100 Wadley Ave. #74-Completely gutted and remodeled 2 bdrm/2bth chandelle condo $2,200/Month
4500-D LaSalle Circle-Well cared for 2bdrm/2bth duplex for lease $1,100/Month
1400 Connell St.-4,000 sq. ft. industrial/white w/2 restrooms, paved and fenced yard. Perfect for light duty manufacturing, warehouse or storage ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Noll 682-1111
16001-A W. Murphy, Odessa-For sublease, 7,750 shop & 1,500 sq. ft. of office, on I-20 Service Rd ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Noll 682-1111

Lots, Land and Acreage

Chaney Ranch-Call Holly Cohen to build you dream home $30-300/
S. Co. Rd. 1120-Could be a great location for cattle and livestock, truck yard, pipe yard, etc. on 160 acres in Greenwood $2,000,000
I-20, West Bluejay & Loop 338 in West Odessa-1116.26 acres, terrific frontage. Call Bill Scott or Brandee Noll 682-1111 ..... $1,800,000
S. Co. Rd. 1040-Perfect area for subdivision development - 325.8 acres in Greenwood $1,302,200
3810 Jasmine-Oasis on the interstate! $549,900
1100 E. Co. Rd. 150-56.39 acres with a 4,500 sf quonset barn. mobile home can stay for $50,000. Perfect for oil field business or pipe yard. Call Bill Scott or Brandee Noll 682-1111 ..... $401,129
800 Rowly Ave.-Eight (8) townhome lots sold as a whole ONLY - No individual lots sales $300,000
5703 E. Co. Rd. 80-2784 sq. ft. w/in-law plan $300,000
6703 Desert Wind-10 acres - Perfect for one home w/lots of land or nice location to develop a small community $300,000
W. County Rd. 129-Ready to develop! $250,000
#4 Lincoln Park-San Angelo lot & boat house. Lake Nasworthy $179,000
4405 Cross Tree Blvd.-Lot in Green Tree North 0.18 acres $125,000
11010 W. County Rd. 58 1/2 W- 6 acres. in a great residential neighborhood $114,500
2500 Regency Oaks Ct.-0.224 acre lot in Mockingbird Oaks. $67,500
E. Co. Rd. 129-Four 1 acre lots in new subdivision in Greenwood - The Meadows ..... U/C- $60,000

Commercial Investment Property

1400 Connell St.-4,000 sq. ft. industrial/white w/2 restrooms, paved and fenced yard. Perfect for light duty manufacturing, warehouse or storage ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Noll 682-1111
10 Dusty Drive-For Sublease, approx. 13,599 sq. ft. of Class A office space - entire floor Call Bill Scott or Brandee Noll 682-1111
3415 Calders-For Lease, beautiful custom office building, approx. 2,132 sq. ft. ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Noll 682-1111
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Centennial Tower-Downtown Sublease, approx. 3,729 sq. ft., Class A Bldg. with covered parking. ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Noll 682-1111
4000 N. Big Spring-Sublease in Class A Bldg., approx. 10,507 sq. ft. ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Noll 682-1111
3000 S. Co. Rd. 1270-2,336 acres with a 10,792 sf industrial warehouse/distribution center. Fenced, gated and secured facility located conveniently just south of Midland International Airport. Grade level access and dock high loading. Call Bill Scott or Brandee Noll 682-1111 ..... U/C- $900,000
901 S. Garfield St.-Wonderful money making commercial building! $850,000
5000 Block of E. Wadley-2.84+- acres for development, great for office complex Call Bill Scott $575,000
3407 Calders-Approximately 2,478 sq. ft. of custom office space in the Caldera Plaza Complex. Convenient access to Midkiff & Loop 250. ..... U/C- $389,000
0 Colten Flint Rd.-Zoned Industrial Park $185,000
12020 West I-20-For Lease. Approx. 4,080 sq. ft. light or medium duty manufacturing or as warehouse space. Call Bill or Brandee @ 682-1111 ..... $4,000/Month

Out of Town Properties

51 Ward Rd.-fabulous Lake Henry get-away. This 3 bdrms/2bth home is located within HOA gated community in Oak Canyon Estates. Public dock for residents only $249,900



NEW CONSTRUCTION

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4304 Saltillo Court
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5309 Brown Heart Lane
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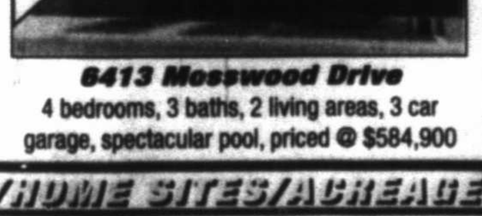
5112 Brighton Place
3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 3 car garage,
priced @ $294,000

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5313 Half Moon Circle
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage,
priced @ $499,000

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6413 Meeswood Drive
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 living areas, 3 car garage, spectacular pool, priced @ $584,900

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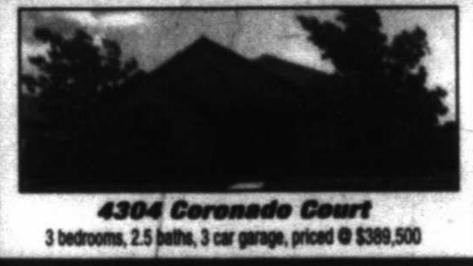
Midland Gallery Homes

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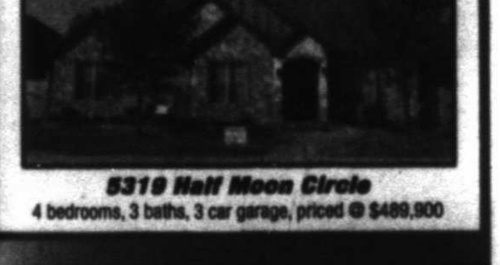
5304 George Yard Court
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $498,000

Saenz Signature Homes



4304 Coronado Court
3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $389,500

Carrasco Homes



5319 Half Moon Circle
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $489,900

RESIDENTIAL LISTINGS/HOME SITES/ACREAGE

RESIDENTIAL

301 Schulhaver Dr. ..... 1 Bdrm/1 Ba $94,000
607 E. Jackson ..... 2 Bdrm/1 Ba ..... SOLD
159 N. Madison ..... 2 Bdrm/1 Ba $97,000
2007 W. Cuthbert Ave. ..... 2 Bdrm/2 Ba/1 Carport $159,000
3009 Candy Lane ..... Odessa/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Living Areas/2 Car Garage $204,000
4705 Whitney ..... 3 Bdrm/1 Ba/2 Car Garage ..... SOLD
5004 Rainbow Road ..... 3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage ..... SOLD
2005 Sand Hill Circle ..... 3 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage ..... SOLD
4405 Stillmeadow ..... 3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage ..... SOLD
3109 Haynes Drive ..... 3 Bdrm/1 Ba/2 Car Garage ..... SOLD
4409 Huntchinson Dr. ..... 3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage $260,000
5112 Brighton Place ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage $294,000
5717 Highland Blvd. ..... 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage ..... SOLD
5021 Los Patios ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage $334,900
4201 Huntchinson Ln. ..... 4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage, Outbuildings & Acreage $495,000
4001 Rosewood Drive ..... 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage ..... SOLD
1501 Fitzgerald Dr. ..... 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Living Areas/3 Car Garage $477,700
5313 Half Moon Circle ..... 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $499,000
6413 Meeswood Drive ..... 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Living Areas/3 Car Garage/Spectacular Pool $584,900
6405 Los Conchos Ln. ..... 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage, in-ground pool $799,000

NEW CONSTRUCTION

917 N. Weatherford ..... Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage $199,000
3414B S. Co. Rd. 1080 ..... Building a New Tomorrow/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage $375,000
5007 Cuesta Rock ..... Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage $376,000
4304 Saltillo Ct. ..... Chalmers Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $388,500
4304 Coronado Ct. ..... Saenz Signature Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage $389,500
4304 Cedar Verde Ct. ..... Ashington Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage $418,500
4309 Brown Heart Ln. ..... Ashington Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $429,900
7407 E. Co. Rd. 80 ..... Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $441,500
4309 San Pedro ..... Texas Classic Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $448,900
5313 Brown Heart Ln. ..... Dlux Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage $469,000
5304 Brown Heart Ln. ..... Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $479,900
5309 George Yard Ct. ..... Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage $482,500
6310 Half Moon Circle ..... Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $489,900
5317 Dunraven Ct. ..... Diamond Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $510,000
5313 Legacy Oaks ..... Ashington Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage ..... SOLD
5417 Barnstable St. ..... Diamond Homes/4 Bdrm/4.5 Ba/3 Car Garage $1,275,000

SUBURBAN/ACREAGE

7200 Co.Rd. 60 ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/ Mobile Home/1.1 acres $110,000
3400 S. Co. Rd. 1071 ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Mobile Home/1.1 acres $197,000
2170 Bedrock St. ..... Stanton/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Mobile Home ..... SOLD
4309 W. Co. Rd. 116 ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Mobile Home ..... SOLD
6514 Hockingford Ln. ..... 1,007 Acres $149,000
4010 N. Co. Rd. 1123 ..... Greenwood/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/Mobile Home/2.2 Acres $269,000
Luna Rose Estates ..... Gardendale/New Homes ..... Call Gary
3809 S. Co. Rd. 1107 ..... 4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage $299,000
3414B S. Co. Rd. 1080 ..... Building a New Tomorrow/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage $375,000
6405 Los Conchos Ln. ..... 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $799,000
Highway 87 ..... Big Spring/RV Park ..... SOLD
7800 E. Co. Rd. 110 ..... 5 Bdrm/4 Ba/3 Car Garage/8.18 Acres $1,199,000

SUBURBAN HOME SITES

Luna Rose Estates ..... W. Co. Rd. 30/1.5-2 Acre Lots ..... Call Gary

OUT OF TOWN PROPERTIES

408 Duck Puddle Road ..... Colorado City/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/Guest House $199,000

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

E. Co. Rd. 140 ..... 10.2 Acres $479,000
3100 W. Co. Rd. 1200 ..... Office building/5 offices/meeting room/3 acres $575,000
3009 Elaine Rd. ..... 3.25 Acres/Office/Warehouse $1,499,000

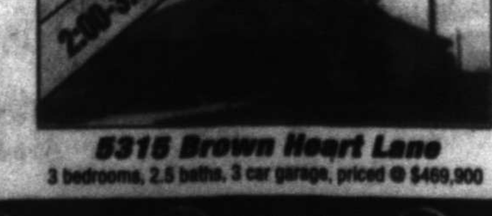
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5309 Brown Heart Lane
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $429,500

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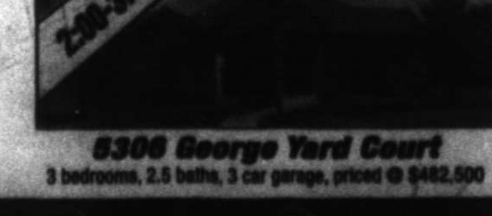
5316 Brown Heart Lane
3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $409,900

2:00-3:00



5307 Dunraven Court
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $518,000

2:00-3:00



5306 George Yard Court
3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $482,500

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6701 E. COUNTY RD. 112
The best of country living.Beautiful house, plenty of land, great neighborhood. 4 Bedrooms, 3 bath. One bedroom and bath above the garage. Large formal dining room, bedrooms, laundry room and breakfast area with office off master. Also a mud bench by garage entrance. This beautiful unique home is a must see!!! **$489,500**
Cindy Colley 432-413-8494.

NEW LISTING
2603 KESSLER
Charming Older Home with 3 bedroom and 2 bathrooms. Huge backyard with above ground pool. $144,900. Call Cindy Colley (432) 413-8494.

NEW LISTING
1505 ELKINS RD.
Super nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath home - country living @ the in-the-town - corner fireplace - no carpet anywhere, room off of den is partially finished. This is a delight to see. $405,000 Call Kay McDonald (432) 689-0021

NEW LISTING
4300 CLOVECROFT COURT
Absolutely Beautiful! This property has been completely remodeled & enhanced with new stone accents featuring the kitchen dining & bonus area all in one room. The possibilities are endless. All flooring, windows, bathrooms, cabinets and appliances replaced as well as flooring throughout. Have to see to believe. $227,000. Carol Fuller.

NEW LISTING
104 E EISENHOWER DR.
Affordable family home that will go FHA. New windows, tankless water heater, and new heat and cooling has been added since they purchased it in 2005. Go and see if it fits your family. Has a small above ground out water pool. Comfortable living for small family. $143,000
Listed by Carol Fuller (432) 528-1632

2313 DONAH AVE.
Beautifully updated & well maintained home in very desirable neighborhood with Beautiful landscaping, large back yard with covered patio and in ground pool. Perfect for entertaining. 4 bedrooms, 2½ baths, 2 Large living areas and 2 dining areas. $304,000. Call Cindy Colley 432-413-8494.

NEW LISTING
2917 GODDARD PLACE
Wonderful 4 bedroom 2 bath home located on a low maintenance corner lot. Great floorplan - Lots of nice updates here.o. Large living area with corner fireplace. Sequestered master. Cinder block fence. $240,000
Call Kay McDonald (432) 689-0021

LAND
12205 W. CO. RD. 56
Land in well developed Gardendale area. Great country property with 2 water wells.
$121,076. Please contact Elvia.

NEW LISTING
3311 BAUMANN AVE.
Spacious family home with newish carpet that was installed over existing tile. The whole house has white tile like is in the kitchen under the carpet. Big lot nice area. see to appreciate. $185,000 Call Carol Fuller (432) 528-1632.

RENTALS

4708 Boston #1384 2/2	$1,350 totally redone	2105 Washington 3/2/2	$1,750
438 Chandelle Lynda A Top	$1,400	2114 Lockhart A 2/2 Pool	$7,500
4505 Cloudcroft 3/2/2	$1,700	4107 Pasadena 3/2/2	$1,750
3305 W. Dengar 3/2/2	$2,100	1901 Ohio 2/2/2 cp	$1,750
4041 Pine 3/2/1	$1,075	410 Wadsworth 3/2	$1,500
2501 A Hapes 3/2/2	$1,350		

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Call Genie McMahan 432-664-0813



5111 Austin Dr., Midland, TX
Wonderful home close to Bael Park and access to Loop 250. Large open living/dining area with additional breakfast area off the kitchen. Beautiful fireplace with cedar accents, nice laminate flooring and high ceiling in living area. Sequestered master bedroom suite offers walk-in closet and luxurious bath with jetted tub and separate shower.
Call Shelly Miller 432-741-2290



1403 Mogford, Midland, TX
CUTE! CUTE! CUTE! 3 bedroom home with TONS of space! Very SPACIOUS kitchen! Very quiet and NICE neighborhood!! Call TODAY!!!
Call Genie McMahan 432-664-0813



3808 Lehigh Dr., Midland, TX
FABULOUS 4 bedroom, 3 bath home. Spacious Living Area with wood burning fireplace and hardwood floors. Formal Dining Area and Large Kitchen. Master Suite has Separate Closets and Separate Vanities!! CONVENIENT to Lee Elem!! INCREDIBLE 918 sq. ft., insulated Workshop. CALL to see this TERRIFIC home.
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718 Raymond Rd., Midland, TX
Charming 3 Bedroom, 1 Bath Home, on a Corner Lot. Close to Elementary School. Stunning from throughout, separate Utility Room. 2nd Living Area may be used as family room or a bedroom. Landscaped front yard and fenced backyard. CALL TO SEE!!!
Call Rosalee Burrola 432-208-9040



1414 N County Rd. 1081, Midland, TX
Outstanding Country Home with open floor plan and lots of built ins! Fireplace in living area, built-in cabinet in dining area, large kitchen with island, 4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms. Sequestered Master with large walk in closet. A MUST SEE! There is no public access from the Southern Route. Do not attempt to enter the property from the Southern Route
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OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 1:30 TO 2:30 — 3606 BERMUDA CT
OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 1:30 TO 3:30 — 6301 TROBAUGH
OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 3:00 TO 4:00 — 4413 VERDE GLEN
OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 3:00 TO 4:00 — 415 NOLAN RYAN

4+ BEDROOMS

2700 Deseree Ln. - Spectacular & totally updated! 6 bed/6 full bath+3 half bath/10 living — $999,900
3301 Elkins - Want something unique & wonderful? Unbelievable showplace on almost 20 acres with guest house! — $695,000
4916 Tallahoma Corner - Absolutely spectacular santa fe style dream home on 3.43 Acres — $699,900
3600 Trinity: 4 Bed/3 Full/2 Half Bath Home in Trinity Estates Bright & Dramatic-Beautiful Museum Lighting! $749,900
5000 E County Rd 97 - Unbelievable forever property! Gorgeous 4bed/3bath/2liv/3car home! — $729,000
8 Hialeah: Absolutely lovely home in saddle club estates-4 bed/3.5 Bath/4 living/2 dining areas — $650,000
300 GLADIOLUS - Absolutely Stunning 4 Enormous Bed/3.5 Bath/3 Living Great Room, Formal, Media/Game Room/2 Storage/1 Car Gar Home in Crossland Well — $599,900
2102 Deseree Ln. - Fabulous home in Grassland Estates. 4 Bed /3.5 Baths/3 living areas /2 dining areas & gourmet kitchen — $535,000
4402 Teakwood - Fantastic 4 bed/4 bath/2 gar. Custom on 2 irrigated acres with Workshop and Barn! — $499,900
4413 Verde Glen Ct: Absolutely spectacular 5 bed/3.5 Bath/2 living area/2 dining area/4 car gar home on quiet street in glor — $479,900
9101 Castleford - Spacious & open floor plan! 4 Bed/2.5 Bath/ 3 Car garage! Wonderful outdoor living area! — $449,900
5501 DIESEL - Master Bath Remodel Underway!! Fabulous 4Bed/2.5Bath/3Gar. W/Separate Liv Qtrs! — $399,900
2503 Shell Avenue - Absolutely lovely & totally updated (since 2012) 5 bed/3 bath/2 living/2 car gar wal hard-surface flooring — $349,900
3605 Bermuda Court: Bet Custom Kitchen in Town!! This 4Bed/2.5 Bath Home Boasts Tons Of Built-Ins, Granite, Graphite Sinks & Much More! — $314,900
2800 BCR 1120 - investment property - 4 bedroom home and collect $1,900 per month from 8 lease spaces for mobile homes! — $295,000
415 Nolan Ryan: Awesome spacious 4 bedroom/2 bathroom/2 car home on curvy street in legends park on super large lot! — $264,900
1603 Mogford St. - Fabulous 4 bedroom 2 bath 2 living home in wonderful old midland area! Total remodel in process! — $258,000

4+ BEDROOMS

5003 Mile High - Absolutely darling-better than new 4 bed/2 bath/formal dining or breakfast room/2 car gar home built in 2014! — $249,900
2602 Camarie - fantastic 4 bed/2.5 Bath/2 garage with curb appeal!! Gated front courtyard! — $229,000
5216 Blue Heron Drive - Spectacular 4bed,gayne model 4 bedroom/2 bath home w/ 2 car garage located on a large corner lot! — $209,900

1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS

5301 Trobaugh: Fabulous custom hill country 4gone on 4.550 Acres! 5,219 Sq. ft. workshop w/kitchen, bath & hookup! — $795,000
5700 Wyoming - Beautiful & spacious home w/4 car garage. New gorgeous wood-like tile (carpet in bedrooms)! — $360,500
6000 S E FM 1788 - Beautiful like new home on acreage with 2 large bedrooms, 2 baths and large shop (40x40)/2 car garage! — $275,000
2800 S CR 1120 - Great investment property - live in the 4 bedroom brick family home and collect $1,800 per month from 8 lease spaces for mobile homes! — $265,000
4513 Rowdy Ct - This beautifully updated home has a remodeled kitchen with french country cabinets, stainless appliances & granite counters! — $257,500
4102 Dyer Circle: Super potential in this 3 bedroom/2.5 Bath/2 living area (great room, formal living + 11'6" study)/2 dining areas & 2 car garage home! — $199,900
2300 Regal - Darling home on quiet cul-de-sac in great location! 3 bed/2 bath/2 car garage. Spacious living area w/vaulted ceiling & fireplace! — $199,900
2105 Hughes St - Cute & Spacious 3 Bedroom/2 Bath/2 Car Garage — $195,000
455 S Colleen St. - Absolutely spectacular new construction from g. D. Homes! Very large backyard with cinder brick fence and oversized covered patio! — $195,000
701 S. Lincoln - Absolutely spectacular new construction from g. D. Homes! Fabulous kitchen with granite, tons of cabinetry! — $195,000
942 E Winkler, Kermit - Best yard in town. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living area home with huge backyard! — $154,900
4311-A BCR 1172 - gorgeous 3 bed/2 bath manufactured home on 1 acre of land! — $139,000
603 W Hudson: Super cute cottage like 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom, 1 living area and 1 dining area home! Recently remodeled inside and outside! — $139,000
609 Lidden #60 - Super cute and updated 2 story 1bdrm townhome in sutton place! — $115,000
1315 East 30th - Charming brick/siding house w/wall/spout gas range & frigerator! Spacious den open to dining area & kitchen! In Odessa — $67,500

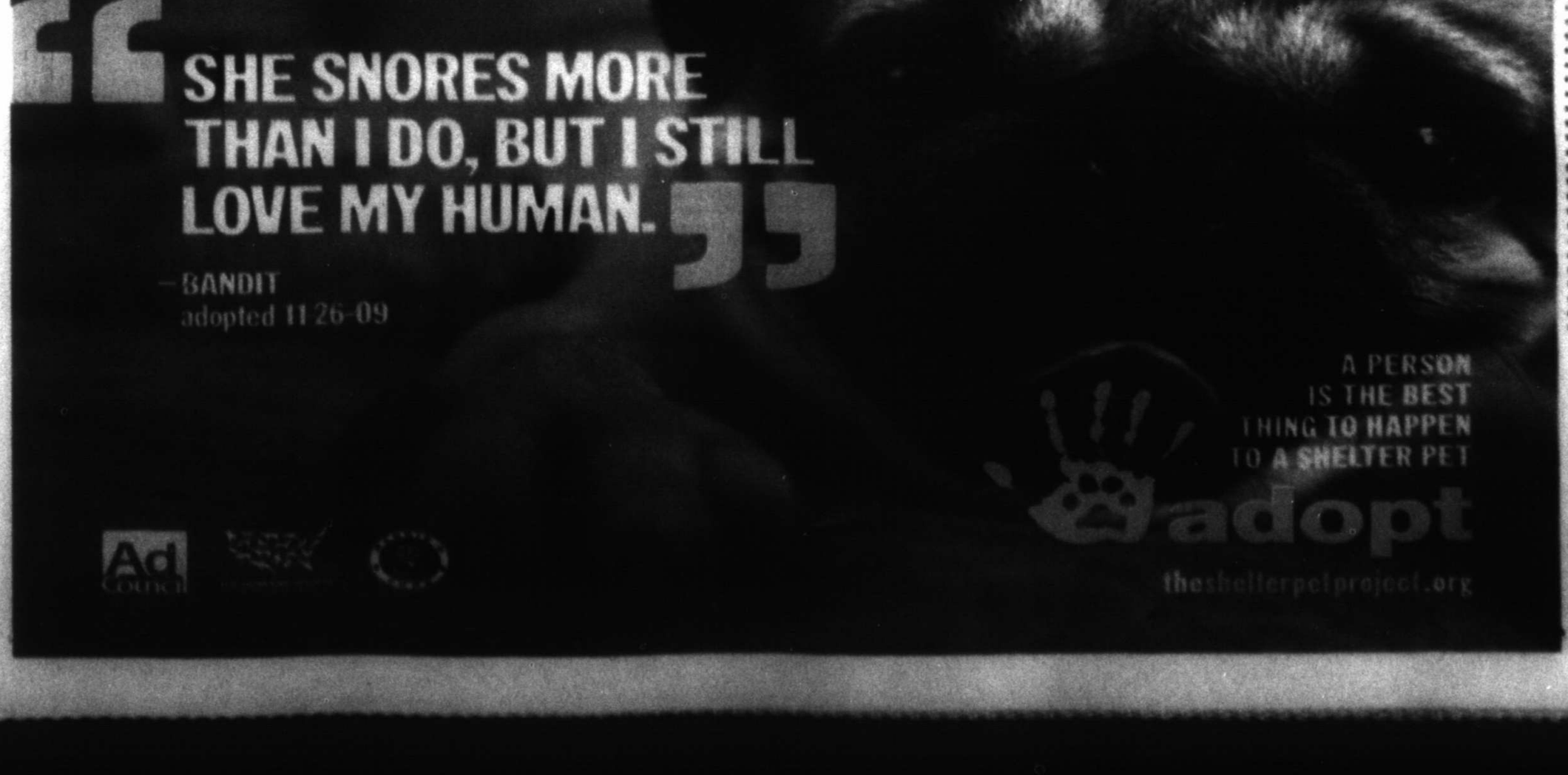
COMMERCIAL, LAND AND LOTS

4107 E County Rd. 1267 - RV PARK with clubhouse and 2 cabins! 26 RV spots rent for $575 a month! 2 cabins rent for a $1,000 a month! — $1,000,000
2900 BCR 1120 - Great investment property - live in the 4 bedroom brick family home and collect $1,800 per month from 8 lease spaces for mobile homes! — $295,000
2016 E FM 1212 - Fabulous country property on 12.669 Acres, all fenced with 2 water wells, 60x25 workshop, 3 storage buildings, over 100 trees — $225,000
7012 CR 82 - Ideal 4.81 acre investment property for building a spectacular home with a grand southern view of downtown Midland! — $139,900
6102 S County Road 1780 - TERRIFIC LOT! Approx 4 acres! Water well, septic tank and electric on site! — $64,900
4100 County Rd. 01 - 2 acre building site in established north east Midland residential subdivision! — $59,900
2221 Timber Wolf Lane - Build in Midland's newest subdivisions. Timber Wolf Estates! Roads will be paved by developer! 25 ;.(75') — $75,000
1575 Timber Wolf Lane - Build in Midland's newest subdivisions. Timber Wolf Estates! Roads will be paved by developer! 25 ;.(75') — $62,400
Colter Estates - Build in Gardendale's newest subdivision. Colter Estates! Approximately .75 acre lots! $25,000 per lot! 16 ;.(75') — $25,000

UNDER CONTRACTS & SOLDS!

4520 Bent Tree Trail	UNDER CONTRACT!	1009 La Caverna Vaa Horn	SOLD!
3501 S County Road 1057	UNDER CONTRACT!	4000 AVONDALE	SOLD!
1604 Castleford	UNDER CONTRACT!	5200 Green Tree	SOLD!
3600 Gillespie	UNDER CONTRACT!	5711 Hartford	SOLD!
3602 Trinity	UNDER CONTRACT!	4403 Verde Glen	SOLD!
3512 W Michigan	SOLD!	5210 Quicksand	SOLD!
6501 Highland	SOLD!	5422 Dogwood	SOLD!
2502 W DENDAR	SOLD!	4410 Humble	SOLD!
3200 Rex	SOLD!	4420 Gheorghe	SOLD!

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SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES



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3405 TRINITY MEADOWS - $484,900
Shown by Deborah Pierce 889-2469



OPEN 1:30-2:30
2912 SHANKS - $335,000
Shown by Skeet Doss 352-4826

NEW & ACTIVE LISTINGS

4005 Cardinal-Amazing property w/3.997 acres, 4 bd, 4 1/2 ba home w/guest house. RV storage, pool, huge outdoor kitchen $2,500,000
30 Ac. Mockingbird Lane-11 platted lots, 2+ acres each $1,900,000
4200 ECR 63-New construction in Bonito Estates. 4bd, 3 ba, 3 car gar, 2 AC $737,900
Dove Acres FM 1213-115 acres see details/pix at fm1213.ePropertySites.com $599,000
4209 Wood-Gorgeous like new 4bd, 3.5ba, 2la, 3 car in Mockingbird Hts $519,000
South CR 1140 - 24 Acres more or less $496,000
6704 Mosswood-4br, 3 ba, new construction $486,458
3405 Trinity Meadows 4200 Feet $454,900
6409 Sequoia-4bd, 31/2 ba w/Pool -Green Tree low maint. Updated throughout $450,000
906 Sorrell-Low maint. detached townhome Saddle Club - 2 bd, 2 ba, sunroom, atrium $375,000
6707 ECR 110-Greenwood 3/2/2, built 2010, pasture for horses, vinyl fencing, wind generator $360,000
2912 Shanks-3bd, 2½ ba on 1.3 acres, 2 water wells. Nicely updated $335,000
4801 Knights Pl.-Polo Park Estates! Updated 3 bed, 2.5 bath, 2 living, 2 garage $315,000
2804 Caldera Blvd - 4bd, 3ba, in law plan $299,900
4209 Irvin Dr.-3 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 living, 2 dining, pipe fence for horses $279,900
3206 Haynes-3 br, 2.5 ba, indoor pool $265,000
1802 E. Pecan St.-New construction, 3 or 4bd, 2ba, 2car, 2 story $259,000
#2 Linda Ct.-Wow! 3 bed, 2 bath, 2 living, 2 dining $250,000
1303 McDonald-Attractive & spacious 3bd, 2 ba, 2LA, 2 car gar $242,900
4310 ECR 63-New Construction 4 Bedroom 3 bath 3 car garage 2 acres $239,900
2301 Regal Place - 3bd, 2ba, in cul-de-sac $229,900
12608 Alcario, Odessa-5/3, 1 living, 1 dining, 3 car garage $215,000
3336 Providence-Nicely updated 3br, 2ba, 2 car garage ..... REDUCED...$212,000
4702 Bedford St.-Pretty home, updated! 3 bed, 2 ba, 2LA's, 2 car carport. Move-in Ready! $199,900
Commerical Lots - 10 Lots on Front St $199,000
2004 Bedford-Great location Old Midland, 3 bed, 2 bath $190,000
709 Mogford-Adorable 3bd, 2ba, 2 living, 2 garage w/water well, wood floors, high ceiling $189,900
12700 ECR 81- 3 bedroom 2 bath 2013 Mobile Home w/ 8.53 acres 2 convex storage buildings & 2 water wells $189,000
1428 Westbrook, Odessa-Looks like new 3 bed, 2 bath $185,000
5304 Canadian-3 bed, 2 ba, 2 car, FP $184,900
4808 Shady Lane-3 Bedrooms 1.5 baths $164,900
805 Storey Ave.-2 bd, 1 bath, 1 car garage $149,900
2405 City View Rd.-3 bdrm, 1 bath, efficiency apartment in back $135,000
503 Brooks Dr.-3 bed, 1 ba, 2 LA, recent windows $135,000
111 Blue Dr., Odessa-4 bed, 2 ba $129,900
4501 Roadrunner – Zac $120,000
4503 Roadrunner – Zac $120,000
4209 ECR 61-2.34 AC, Bonito Estates $104,130
4001 ECR 61-2.34 AC, Bonito Estates $104,130
4201 ECR 61-2 AC, Bonito Estates $89,000
2605 W. Washington-Cute 2/1, hardwood floors, neutral paints, large utility room $84,900
3215 Hill Ave.-2 bd, 1 bath in Crestview Heights addition $69,000
Bonito Estates - MISD New Home Lots ..... $89,000-$104,000
Champion's Run - GISD - New home lots, gated community, 1.5-2 AC ..... $61,750-$95,000

SUNDAY FEATURED HOMES



4209 WOOD
$519,000
Wow! 2011 Gem w/4 bed, 3.5 baths, 2LA, 3 car in Mockingbird Heights!



#2 LINDA CT.
$250,000
Wonderful 3/2, BIG kitchen, convenient location!

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5917 Mira Vista - $695,000
This Gorgeous Home Features Open Plan, 4BD/4.5BA/3 Car Garage, Custom Cherry Wood Luxurious Appointed, Master Suite, LOADED with French Doors, Vented 4 Quilted Recliners, Sparkling Pool, Outdoor Kitchen! Oversized 3 Car Garage, Approximately 3,000 sqft. Bonus Study! Perfect for Guests!
Shown By Dakota Boulevard 380-8340



OPEN TODAY 1:00 - 2:00

4300 Merrill Dr. - $385,000
Beautifully maintained house with many updates. Large living area with granite in kitchen. Backyard features a gas fire pit and beautiful low maintenance landscaping!
Shown By Ron Crow 349-6140



OPEN TODAY 2:30 - 3:30

4307 Saltillo - $349,000
Beautiful new AGA home in coveted Lot Premium. Superb quality throughout! Open floor plan & high ceilings! Quiet living at the end of the Cul-de-sac.
Shown By Ron Crow 349-6140



OPEN TODAY 2:30 - 3:30

5514 Casa Grande Trail- $427,000
Stunning Very home features Solid Exterior with Austin Stone Accents, Beautiful Crown Molding, Security, Gourmet Kitchen & Huge Game Room! Will Consider your real estate choices in the Midland area, West Texas, across the nation, or around the world, he is excited to serve you every step of the way!



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A little about Dakota.....
Jumping into real estate as a licensed agent this year was the culmination of a dream for Dakota. Searching for practicality, helping people achieve their own goals, or meeting the broad variety of great people in the Midland area, the future and local business is a love for him. Leading his family in Midland is a time he spends with his free time with his lovely wife, family and three wonderful children. Close friends and family call him Cookie. Aside from having an avid plant conservationist, Dakota also enjoys golfing (short of it by his golf games and consistently losing with the rest of his church. Although not a Midland native, the last 13 years have been taught him it is a great place to live his city bustle, small town values. Looking forward to a bright future, Dakota brings warmth and an easy going demeanor coupled with an intense work ethic to every opportunity he has. When considering your real estate choices in the Midland area, West Texas, across the nation, or around the world, he is excited to serve you every step of the way!

4+ BEDROOMS

5 La Promesa, Odessa - 4 Bedroom, 4.5 Bath. Super Floor Plan w/Double Master Bedrooms, Full Outdoor Kitchen & Fireplace!	New Construction! $1,100,000
6400 Rockingbird - 5 Bedroom, 5 Bath, 2 Story Home in Los Conchos! Brand New Plan by Summit Homes!	New Construction! $1,000,000
5908 Dunbrae - 5 bed 4 bath. Incredible price on this luxurious estate, perfect for entertaining	New Price! $999,000
5917 Mira Vista - 4 Bedroom 3.5 Bath, Designer's Choice Here! Outdoor Kitchen, Guest House, Pool, & More!	New Price! $695,000
201 Ridge Line, Alpine - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Large enough to be corporate retreat? 77+ Acres in the Mountains!, Guest House, Barn!	New Price! $695,000
2501 Homeland - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath in Coveted Grassland West! This Does LOADED! Still Time to Make Selections! Est. Completion July 201	SALE PENDING! $617,000
4701 E Cr Rd. 45 - 4 Bedroom, 3.5 Bath Country Living w/MISD Schools! Stone Floors, Cedar Beams!	New Listing! $594,200
6503 Rosewood - 4 Bed, 2 Bath Fabulous Almand Home, Soaring 16 Ft ceilings w Living area, Plantation shutters throughout, Loads of space with extra game/Media room	New Listing! $499,900
1700 Trail Dr - Odessa Gorgeous Country Living! Sec Master w/Decadent Master Bath, Large Living area, elegant double entry foyer, Gourmet kitchen off dam, all on 2.5 Acres!	New Listing $499,900
3103 Shell Ave. - 5 bd, 4.5 Bath w Old Midland Entertainer's Dream house! Gigantic living areas, gourmet kitchen, quartz counters, wet bar, vaulted ceilings, 2 fireplaces, Texas sized house with trees galore!	New Listing $427,500
5014 Casa Grande - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Shamrock New AGA Home! Energy Efficient, High End Finishes!	New Price! $427,000
3205 Fairfield - Builder's personal home w lots of high end upgrades	New Listing! $399,900
4403 Dandelion - 4 Bedroom 2.5 Bath, Brand NEW Construction in Los Patios! Still Time to Make Selections, Est. Completion May 2015	SALE PENDING! $379,900
5405 Ridgemont Ct - 4 bed, 3 bath, sequestered master, updated kitchen, brazillian hardwood floors	SOLD! $359,000
12701 E Cr Rd. 81 - Tons of upgrades, 2 living areas, sequestered master, spa room w/hot tub, On 5 Acres!	New Price! $299,900
1410 Tejas - 4 Bed, 2 Bath on over a half acre, wrap around porch, open living area, country kitchen, re-done Master Bath w/Japanese soaking tub,huge bonus room upstairs,	New Price! $285,000
18 Cambridge Court - Great floor plan w/2 living areas, large detached guest quarters has full kitchen and bath on large landscaped yard	New Listing $279,900
4208 Merrill Dr. - 4 Bed 2.5 Bath, Beautifully landscaped w/many updates, Large living area, granite in kitchen, Backyard features a gas fire pit and beautiful low maintenance landscaping!! Well maintained	New Listing $275,000
3302 E Cr Rd. 144 - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 Story Home on 3 Acres! Main House 3BR 2BA, Guest House 1BR 1BA, Great investment Home!	New Price! $247,500
1703 N. Garfield - Great Stucco home with circular drive on large lot	SALE PENDING! $156,500

2 & 3 BEDROOMS

1800 Shirley - 3 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Fantastic Low Maintenance Town Home! ALL REDONE! Very Tasteful Trendy & Fun!	New Price! $374,900
4307 Saltillo - 3 Bedroom 2.5 Bath, Beautiful New AGA Home, Huge Open Plan w/High Ceilings! Located on a Quiet Cul-de-sac in Los Patios	New Price! $369,000
3303 Haynes - Only best gorgeous, fresh home. Outside party perfection, trim-pt covered porches and trellis. Fully updated inside, including granite, shutters and Master shower. This is like buying a brand new home!	New Listing $345,000
3400 W. Golf Course Rd - 3 Bed 2.5 Bath, Built in the 40's, wood moldings, enormous windows, updated kitchen & baths, unfinished guest quarters, on a HUGE lot	SALE PENDING! $298,000
2505 Hays Dr - Immaculate with wood floors through-out, cozy fireplace and Tray ceiling, Large open kitchen with breakfast Bar, Beautiful neighborhood close to shopping	New Listing $272,000
4624 Leisure Dr - Updated top to bottom. Nothing left to do!	SALE PENDING! $214,000
511 Nolan Ryan - Immaculate Betenbough home in Lagends Park! Great mix of carpet and tile, high ceilings and a huge, open kitchen & Dining area. Completely Move-in Ready	SALE PENDING - $200,000
600 W. Michigan - 3 Bedroom 2 Bath, Spacious 2 Living, 2 Dining, over 2,300 sq ft ! Close to Downtown! AS IS SALE, Renovation Ready!	New Price! $189,000
104 S Tyler - Outstanding Marquez Home! Spacious living w/time to select your colors. Granite in kitchen and rock accents on roof	$185,000
1400 W. Kentucky - 3 Bed, 2 Bath, Completely remodeled	New Listing $179,900
5203 Leisure Drive - Immaculately maintained 3 bed, 2 bath home with fresh exterior paint and lovely landscaping	$164,900
3411 FM 715 - 1 Bedroom, 1 Bath, Clean Country Property w/Horse Stalls!	New Listing! $150,000
4700 Boulder #307 - 1 Bedroom, 1 Bath Fairmont Condominium, Ground Level w/Enclosed Patio!	SALE PENDING! $62,500

LOTS & ACREAGE

Hwy 158, Ozona - 300 Acres in Deer Canyon Ranch	$300,000
2501 Eastridge, Odessa - 10 Acre Seller will finance, appraised @ $500,000	Hot New Prices! $375,000
100 Solomon - Build Your Dream Home! 2.02 Acres	$300,000
6409 N Hwy. 349 - Urgent! 84 Acre Great investment opportunity here on this High Traffic area	$74,900
1301 H Cr Rd. 1081, Greenwood - 3.8 Acres to Build a Dream Home!	$70,000
1201-1207 Scarbrough Dr. - 4 Commercial Lots	$65,000
1103 E Golf Course - Commercial Lot, Zoned LA-2	$60,000
3204 E Lamesa - Residential Lot, Build to Suite!	$40,000
405 & 407 Watley - Prime Spot to Build! Residential Lots!	New Price! $30,000/each
E Cr Rd. 60 - Mobil & Modular Homes Allowed	Call Reed 349-6140

FOR LEASE

310 Cimarron Ave. - 3 Bed, 2Bath, studio or 2nd living area, Huge home in a beautiful neighborhood	New Price! $1,200

COMMERCIAL

1001 Big Springs St - Building on .29 Acre in High traffic area. Turn-key operation	$995,000
3200 Wall Street - Day care building for sale!	$850,000
202 W Industrial - 4 Buildings on 1.5 Acres. Negotiable!	$595,000

HOT NEW PRICES

6300 Dunbrae	New Price! $899,000
5917 Mira Vista	$695,000
201 Ridge Line, Alpine	$695,000
5514 Casa Grande	$427,000
Hwy 158, Ozona-300 Acres in Deer Canyon Ranch	$300,000
16 Marcella Odessa 79	$300,000
1806 Shirley	$374,900
4307 Saltillo	$369,000
12701 ECR 81	$299,900
1415 Tejas	$285,000
3302 ECR 144	$250,000
800 W Michigan	$189,000
1211 E Lamesa - Commercial Building, Zoned LA-2	$79,000
4700 Boulder #307	$62,500
405 & 407 Watley	$30,000/Each

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FEATURED LISTINGS



3622 OHIO
$154,900
Spotless 2 bed/2 ba townhome



3610 WALL ST.
$850,000
High visibility commercial property !!! TRI WAREHOUSE SF W/9' STAGE, APPROX 13,000 +/- PARKING, LOT currently a car lot



5311 HALF MOON CIRCLE
$479,900
Gorgeous new construction
4 bed/3 bath/ 3 car by greg lacy homes
in greathouse!



5205 HILLTOP
$615,000
Spacious 4,000 sq. ft. home w/
giant gourmet kitchen.



4514 PARKDALE
$169,900
4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, natural light. Covered patio.



4429 ROOSEVELT
$198,000
Spacious 3 bedroom home on
corner lot w/carport, workshop &
water well!



1210 E. CO. RD. 102
$449,000
Fabulous 4 bed, 2 ba, 2 car on
1.15 acres w/a dazzling pool, pergola,
workshop & storage bldg.



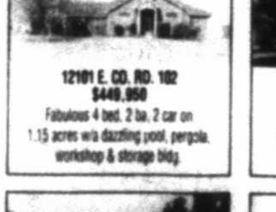
4509 WOODHOLLOW
$595,000
Fabulous move in ready
3 bed/2 bath/2 car house in
Greathouse!



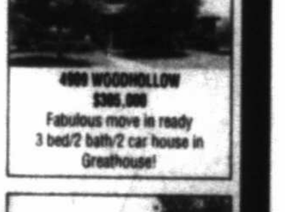
717 SINCLAIR
$295,000
Super cute 3 bedroom,
2.5 Bath with updates plus large
game room!



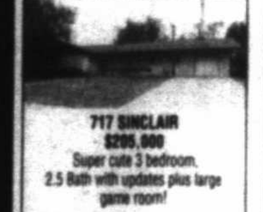
4411 CARDINAL
$1,300,000
Gorgeous oasis on
2 acres w/guest house & pool
in town!



776 NE 1000, ANDREWS, TX
$1,300,000
Beautiful country estate on
1 acre w/pool, hot tub & full outdoor
kitchen!



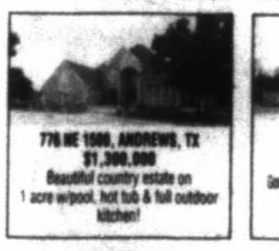
5101 TEAKWOOD TRACE
$430,000
Gorgeous 4 bed/3.5 bath/2 car w/ game room/ Gourmet kitchen w/pantry,
3 patios perfect for entertaining!



5713 HIGHLAND BLVD.
$360,000
Pride of ownership shows!
3 bed/2.5 bath/2 garage
in grassland!



5408 MECCA
$299,900
Lovely home on quiet
cul-de-sac with inground
pool + separate yard!



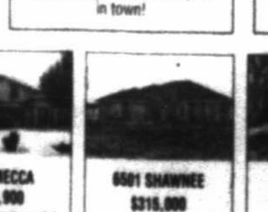
6501 SHAWNEE
$315,000
Wonderful 4 bed/2 bath
home on 0.68 acres in
349 ranch estates



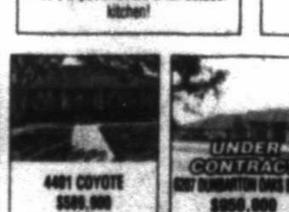
4401 COYOTE
$685,000
Beautifully updated
home in northwest
midland on 3.25 acres!



UNDER CONTRACT
2924 MOSSWOOD
$710,000
Fabulous Robert Graham
beauty, 5 bed/4.5 Bath/
4 car!



UNDER CONTRACT
5107 ANETTA
$219,900
Well maintained 3 bed
2 bath home w/easy access
to Basil Park & Loop 250!



UNDER CONTRACT
6008 QUEENS CT.
$290,000
Lovely 4 bed/3 bath on
cul-de-sac. Updated
kitchen w/granite!



UNDER CONTRACT
3910 NIKKI DR.
$219,900
Well maintained
4 bed/2 ba/2 car garage
on cul-de-sac!



UNDER CONTRACT
3910 ABBY PL.
$245,000
Nice 4 bed/2 bath/2 car on
a quite cul-de-sac



UNDER CONTRACT
3500 HAYNES
$260,000
Well kept 3 bed/2 living +
study/ 2 bath/2 car garage
on corner lot!



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SUNDAY FEATURED HOMES



307 SKYWOOD CIRCLE
$369,900

Gorgeous Diamond Construction. Beautiful details & finish work. Immaculate, better-than-new, move-in condition, granite (thruout) & stainless kitchen w/continuous grate gas cook top. Soaring ceilings. 4 bed/3 bath PLUS study. So much TLC & pride of ownership. Lovely oversized outdoor living area w/amazing views (backs to golf range). Includes hoa w/Clubhouse, Pool, tennis courts.
Call Suzi Knight, 432-559-5036



13 CORONA CIRCLE, ODESSA, TX.
$183,000

Nice home with nice yard in a nice neighborhood! Close to shopping and schools. Pride of ownership seen in this home! Sequestered master bedroom. High ceilings in living area with fireplace. Good size back yard with covered patio! FLOOD INSUR. will be required.
Call Susan Copero, 432-570-8200



2516 SEABOARD AVE.
$340,000

Very nicely updated home!! This home has wonderfully updated baths and kitchen! Stained concrete floor in formal living & dining. Terrazzo and newer tile rest of home. Large master w/walk-in closet and two vanities. Two large bedrooms share fab bath! Large formals and nice large family room with fireplace and built-in bookcase. Tons of great storage! Nice workshop w/garage door opening to alley.
Shown by Kelvie Cleverdon, 432-559-1488

4 - BEDROOM

1205 TELLURIDE DR		$540,000
2701 PARTON WAY	FACT ID #1005	U/C
5302 HILLTOP DR	FACT ID #1077	U/C
6009 OAK CREEK DR		$395,500
307 SKYWOOD CIRCLE	FACT ID #1721	$369,900
5307 OAK VALLEY DR	FACT ID #1056	U/C
5006 APPLE CREEK ROAD		U/C
4307 VALLEY DR	FACT ID #1036	$339,000
3204 BLOSSOM	FACT ID #1080	U/C
6002 RIO GRANDE AVE	FACT ID #1033	U/C
506 NOLAN RYAN	FACT ID #1089	$299,999
5908 RIO GRANDE	FACT ID #1025	SOLD
4732 COUNTRY CLUB DR	FACT ID #1038	SOLD
4801 YEARWOOD	FACT ID# 1024	SOLD
6201 OLYMPIC CT		U/C
2307 HERMITAGE COURT		$284,900

3 BEDROOM

9040 W VALLEY MEADOW	FACT ID #1082	$378,500
2516 SEABOARD AVE	FACT ID #1033	$340,000

3 BEDROOM

4821 ROSEWOOD		$339,500
4705 #6 SPRING MEADOW LANE	FACT ID #1038	$326,900
504 S. CO. RD. 1085	FACT ID #1085	$314,900
1210 W MISSOURI	FACT ID #1082	$299,500
2307 HERMITAGE CT	FACT ID #1057	U/C
3704 BERMUDA CT	FACT ID #1039	$279,000
4823 SPRING MEADOW	FACT ID #1025	$278,000
6006 FRIO DR		$276,500
3508 IMPERIAL AVE		U/C
4003 COUNTY RD. 1247		$235,000
715 NOLAN RYAN DR	FACT ID #1067	U/C
2603 NORTHRUP	FACT ID # 1088	$220,000
4703 NEELY AVE	FACT ID #0851	$215,000
717 W. PINE	FACT ID #1096	$205,000
3215 ORIENTAL	FACT ID #3215	U/C
3809 FANNIN AVE	FACT ID #1006	U/C
2508 COUNTRY CLUB DR	FACT ID #1056	U/C
1305 PACIFIC AVE	FACT ID #1094	SOLD
107 N BENTWOOD	FACT ID #1089	SOLD

3 BEDROOM

211 WALKER CT	FACT ID #1097	$179,000
424 ELM AVE	FACT ID #1090	$175,200
511 BROWNWOOD	FACT ID #1038	SOLD
712 PINE AVE	FACT ID #1069	U/C
2702 MICHIGAN AVE	FACT ID #1078	SOLD
1320 N. FAIRGROUNDS RD		$69,900
7100 AIRLINE	FACT ID #1088	SOLD

2 BEDROOM

1501 E. 17TH		$135,000
3307 HILL AVE	FACT ID #0851	SOLD

COMMERCIAL

6203 E. CO. RD. 67	FACT ID #1029	$300,000

LAND

13416 W COUNTY RD. 100		$200,000

ODESSA

13 CORONA CIRCLE	FACT ID #1086	$183,000
1708 E 53RD ST. ODESSA	FACT ID #1068	$230,000
2443 W. 15TH ST.	FACT ID #1081 RESIDENTIAL LOT 0.19 ACRES	PRICE REDUCTION $27,000

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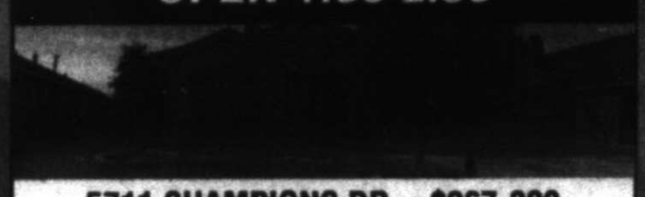
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SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES

OPEN 1:30-2:30



5711 CHAMPIONS DR. - $267,000
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OPEN 1:30-2:30



6506 MOCKINGBIRD LN. - $640,000

OPEN 1:30-2:30



4101 TIMBERGLEN CIRCLE - $1,000,000
Shown by Lana Flores 432-385-5843

OPEN 3:30-4:30



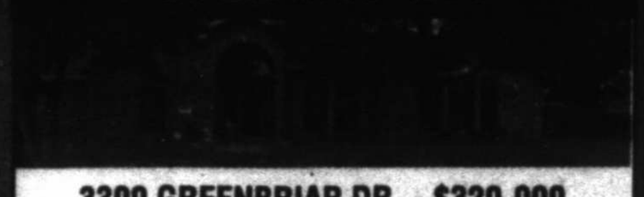
6225 PRAIRIE RIDGE - $450,000
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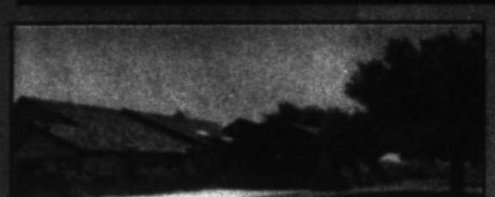
2024 PCR 2240 - $250,000

OPEN 3:30-4:30



3300 GREENBRIAR DR. - $320,000
Shown by Lana Flores 432-385-5843

ACTIVE LISTINGS



349 BARTLETT RD., CRANE
$747,000



5624 HATHAWAY CT.
$675,000



4013 BAYBROOK CT.
$600,000



219 WINDRIDGE CIRCLE
$525,000



11509 W. CO. RD. 58
$575,000



58 LAFAYETTE PLACE
$520,000



2104 N. I ST.
$425,000



3809 TODD
$410,000



503 SOLOMON LANE
$385,000



6118 CANDLESTICK
$340,000



1201 OVERSHINE LN.
$315,000



2107 WESTERN DR.
$290,000



2604 ADONIA ST.
$275,900



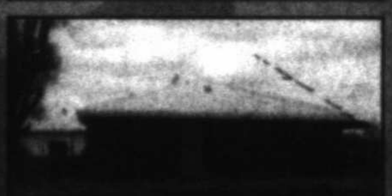
3600 STANOLIND AVE.
$275,000



2804 CIMMARON AVE.
$275,000



901 CHEYENNE ST.
$274,500



1400 N. CO. RD. 1110
.$259,900



3528 STANOLIND AVE.
$250,000



305 S. JEFFERSON ST.
$250,000



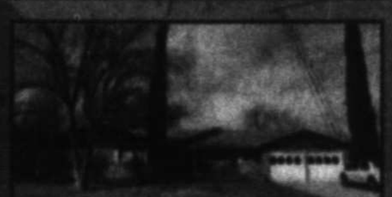
4103 DYER CIRCLE
$250,000



3223 CAMARIE
$225,000



2609 SPARTAN DR.
$200,000



1401 MURRAY ST.
$200,000



800 GULF AVE.
$185,000



313 20TH ST., CRANE
$155,000



1221 S. MARY ST.
$140,000

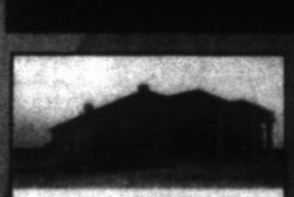


4700 BOULDER DR. #101
$90,000



211 E. 6TH ST., CRANE
$85,000

UNDER CONTRACT LISTINGS



SALE PENDING
515 MOCKINGBIRD LN.
$1,500,000



SALE PENDING
6000 SABINE
$465,000



SALE PENDING
6001 OAK CREEK
$400,000



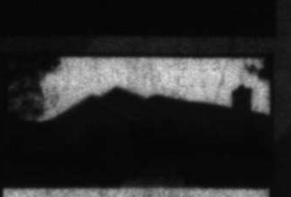
SALE PENDING
14045 W. CO. RD. 124
$385,000



SALE PENDING
4901 LANCASHIRE
$365,0000



SALE PENDING
4003 NAVASOTA
$344,500



SALE PENDING
3403 LIMESTONE LANE
$319,000



SALE PENDING
2613 CAMARIE AVE.
$270,000



SALE PENDING
3805 DOUGLAS AVE.
$250,000



SALE PENDING
1121 PORTERFIELD RD.
$240,000



SALE PENDING
807 CHEYENNE ST.
$239,000



SALE PENDING
4506 TREVINO ST.
$225,000



SALE PENDING
3709 NEELY
$210,000



SALE PENDING
1306 VENTNOR
$200,000



SALE PENDING
4002 W. ILLINOIS AVE.
$170,000



SALE PENDING
202 E. 19TH ST., CRANE
$167,000



SALE PENDING
4412 STOREY AVE.
$160,000

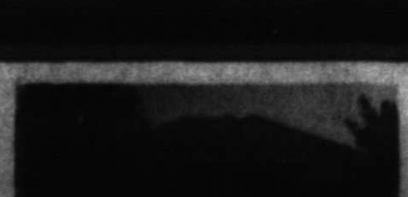


SALE PENDING
4613 PLEASANT DR.
$150,000



SALE PENDING
2309 STOREY AVE.
$140,000

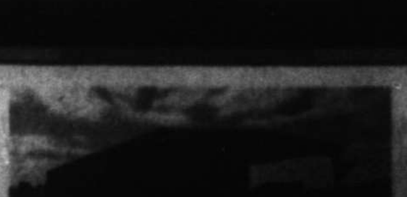
SOLD LISTINGS



★★SOLD★★
4521 CORSAIR CT.
$850,000



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3011 S. CO. RD. 1105
$275,000



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3419 S. CO. RD. 1130
$165,000

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Sunday Featured Homes!



Open Sunday 1-2
407 Skywood - $494,500

Gorgeous open 3 Bedroom (sequestered master) 3 full bath, 2 living or a office that could be used as a 4th bedroom. Totally updated kitchen, all new appliances, gas cook-top, granite and plantation shutters. Jack and Jill bathroom with two sinks. Tons of storage all rooms have large closest! New AC unit and a wonderful patio. Wont last long!

Ashley St. John
Realtor Associate
352-6254
"Follow up is Key, that's why you need me!"















Open Sunday 3-4
5007 Gateway - $360,000

Beautiful Carrasco resale with over 2400 sf, 3 bedroom, 2 baths, 3 car garage on quiet cul-de-sac! Priced at $360,000, this 2011 built home boasts granite in kitchen and bathrooms, large guest rooms, open design kitchen and dining, beautiful sequestered master and elegant master bath!
Shown by Maria Mallory



Maria Mallory
Realtor Associate
ABR, ASR
352-4021

2911 Caldera - $305,000

Beautiful spacious open floor plan w/3 BR 2.5 BA 3 car garage, formal DR & LR, den, tall ceilings, open kitchen w/wraparound 2-level breakfast bar, granite countertops & backsplash!Solid surface electric cooktop, builtin electric oven and microwave, new Delta faucet & RO spigot, recessed lighting, beautiful custom pendant lights. Huge walk in pantry, new hwh & hw circulating pump!Enclosed sunroom!

SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES

OPEN 1:00-2:00
407 SKYWOOD - $395,000
Gorgeous open 3 Bedroom (sequestered master) 3 full bath, 2 living or a office that could be used as a 4th bedroom.
Listed by Ashley St John, Shown by Nathan Pinkerton

OPEN 1:00-2:00
311 S. BENTON - $115,000
Large corner lot!
Shown by Susan Palmer

OPEN 1:00-2:00
1113 GULF - $174,900
Wonderful property in quiet neighborhood.
Shown by Reece Bivens

OPEN 1:00-2:30
1800 WASHITA
Super better than new 4/2 with lots of elbow room! All the great stuff--granite, large sequestered master. Don't miss!
Shown by Tina Atkins

OPEN 1:00-4:00
6903 RANCHLAND DRIVE - $263,900
Shown by Lisa Russell

OPEN 1:30-2:30
5711 CHAMPIONS
Listed by DeLaura Gammage, Shown by Kate Christian

OPEN 1:30-2:30
6506 MOCKINGBIRD
Listed by DeLaura Gammage

OPEN 1:30-2:30
4101 TIMBERGLEN
Listed by DeLaura Gammage, Shown by Lana Flores

OPEN 2:30-3:30
1610 W. INDIANA - $255,000
Prime Museum District location!
Shown by Susan Palmer

OPEN 2:30-3:30
4610 ST. ANDREWS - $289,900
Come and see this wonderful 4 bedroom 2 1/2 baths. Kitchen has been updated with granite and a new back-splash.
Listed by Ashley St John, Shown by Nathan Pinkerton

OPEN 2:30-3:30
5600 DREXEL COURT - $574,900
Stunning home in Grassland Estates! 4200+ sq ft w/ 4 bed, 3 1/2 bath, 3 lvg, & 2 dining areas w/ fabulous floor plan!!
Shown by Angie McKay

OPEN 3:00-4:00
3407 PRINCETON - $225,000
Low-maintenance patio home!
Shown by Susan Palmer

OPEN 3:00-4:00
5007 GATEWAY
Beautiful Carrasco resale with over 2400 sf, 3 bedroom, 2 baths, 3 car garage on quiet cul-de-sac! Priced at $360,000!
Shown by Maria Mallory

OPEN 3:00-4:00
4012 TRINITY COURT
Fabulous custom 3-2-1/2-3 house loaded with high end details!
Shown by Reece Bivens

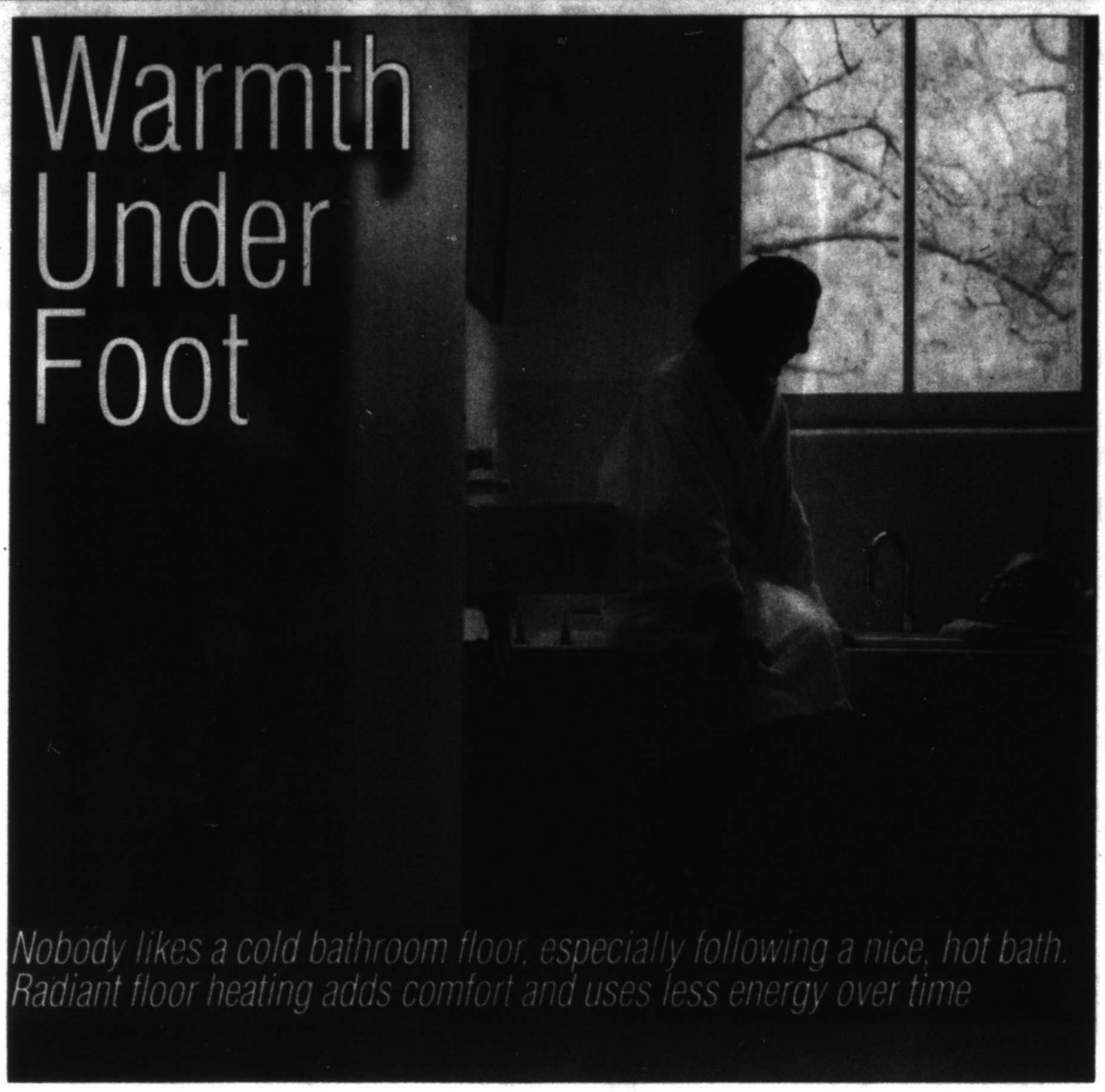
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2024 PCR 2240
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OPEN 3:30-4:30
3300 GREENBRIAR
Listed by DeLaura Gammage, Shown by Lana Flores

HOMESTYLE
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Sunday, August 9, 2015

Warmth Under Foot



Nobody likes a cold bathroom floor, especially following a nice, hot bath. Radiant floor heating adds comfort and uses less energy over time

By Dan Rafter, | CTW Features

WDo you immediately slip on a pair of thick socks each morning because your tile or stone floors are too cold? If so, it might be time to invest in a radiant floor-heating system, either of the hot water or electric variety.

Homeowners like these systems because they tend to provide more comfort than standard forced-air heating systems. In standard heating systems, hot air rises, often making the top floors of a home too hot and the bottom floors too cold. That doesn't happen with a radiant floor-heating system, where the hot air starts at the floor level and provides a more even heating system throughout a room.

"We've termed it the 'ahhh' factor, and it's the feeling that you get when you step onto a heated floor, especially in the morning or on a cold day," says Wally Lo, product manager with Nuheat Industries in Richmond, B.C.

Floor-heating systems are also more energy efficient than forced-air systems, though they cost more upfront. Ross McCord, brand manager at Santa Cruz, California-based Warmboard, says that radiant floor-heating systems consume 30 percent less energy than do forced-air systems.

"You get more bang for your buck with a radiant floor system," McCord says. "With the typical forced-air system, you're sending out all that heat but it's not going where you want it to go. Radiant heat is right on the floor beneath you. Wherever you go, it's following you."

Radiant floor heating is more costly upfront. McCord says that it can cost homeowners $12 a square foot or more to have a radiant heating system installed in their homes.

Whole-house radiant heating systems tend to be of the hot-water variety, in which hot water runs through tubes under the floor of a home.

For smaller areas, homeowners turn to electric floor heating that is designed to heat, for instance, the bathroom floor.

It is possible for homeowners to install floor-heating systems on their own, and several companies sell both hot-water and electric kits. This is no small project, though.

If you want to install heated floors in an existing home, you'll first have to rip up the current flooring, a daunting task. If you're new to renovation, it could be best to call a contractor.

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Pick the Best of the Midcentury

Here's how to choose the sturdiest antique pieces to ensure an easy restoration



By Dan Rafter | CTW Features

Adrienne Faulkner knew that the set of three midcentury-style wooden Asian doors would be perfect for the entrance to her master bedroom. She knew, too, that they needed work.

As with most midcentury modern furniture - furniture that first hit American homes in the 1950s and is known for its clean lines, light colors and simplicity - the wooden doors needed some TLC.

Midcentury modern furniture has become so popular in recent years that most major furniture-makers are creating brand new pieces that echo the style.

Still, many furniture buyers want original pieces. And while it's easy to find old chairs, sofas and tables dating from the 1950s and 1960s, it's harder to determine which pieces are worth buying and restoring.

Faulkner, CEO of interior and architectural design firm Faulkner Design Group in Dallas, decided the doors were worth it. Even then, rescuing them wasn't an easy task. It took two months, 11 sandings and four coats of stain.

Daniel Braskie, manager of Quaboag Antiques in Palmer, Massachusetts, says that learning which pieces are better than others takes time and research.

"If you look at enough, you can [determine the] quality," Braski says. "You might not know the designer, but if you are looking at two lounge chairs side by side, you can take an educated guess as to which one is higher quality."

Chairs or tables made out of solid teak wood, walnut or rosewood are of a higher quality than those made out of birch. Leather upholstery is better than fabric, he says.

Then there's the construction of the piece. Look for cushions on sofas that are still springy, Braski recommends. Make sure the arms or legs of chairs don't wobble. If the piece feels sturdy, that's a sign that care went into its construction.

Braski says that the best way to restore these pieces is to use vinegar and oil to remove dirt, grime and build-up. But for some tasks - Braski points to damaged Danish cord seats - it's best to hire a professional.

Some people may be tempted to sand the flat surfaces of furniture down to bare wood. This can be a challenge: Many pieces of midcentury modern furniture are made out of birch with color added to make the wood look like walnut or some other more expensive material. After it's sanded down, it's hard to match the color of the wood, Braski says.

Braski expects the popularity of midcentury modern furniture to stay strong. "People want what their grandparents had," he says. "This era is antique to today's young buying market."

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Homes for Sale

Sandy J. Hanson

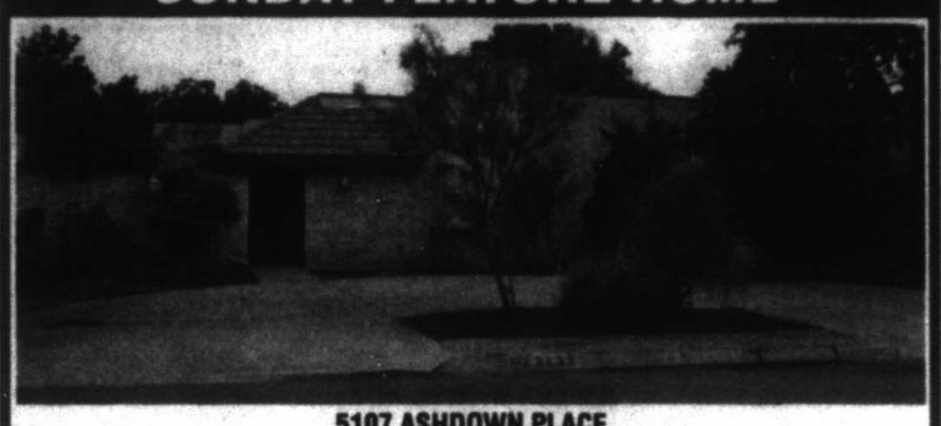
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SUNDAY FEATURE HOME



5107 ASHDOWN PLACE

3 bedrooms and 2 baths • Large remodeled kitchen • 12' ceilings, built-in bookcases, Dining area with large window, fireplace in living and master • laminate wood in hall and 2 bedrooms • 2 car-garage, circle drive, large entertaining patio Master with beautiful roman style tub/shower, dry sauna

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7417 ECR 93	4 Bed, 2 Bath, 2 Car Garage, New Construction		MLS#105214	$374,900
5701 Llano Ct.	-3 Bed, 2.5 Bath, 2DA, 1LA, 2 Car	UNDER CONTRACT	MLS #105695	$299,900
4809 Richmond Dr.	-4 Bed, 2.5Baths, 2 Story		MLS #104925	$299,900
2605 Sunburst Dr.	-3 Bed, 2 Bath	UNDER CONTRACT	MLS#104829	$232,000
4512 Gleneagles Dr.	3 Bed, 2 Bath, 2 Car Garage	UNDER CONTRACT	MLS#105258	$225,800
5107 Ashdown Place	-3 Bed, 2 Bath, 2 Car		MLS#104887	$185,000
1307 Godfrey St.	-2 Bed, 2 Bath, 2 Car, 4 Carport or RV		MLS#104883	$169,000
4508 Thompson Dr.	-3 bed, 2 bath, 2-car garage on a corner lot	UNDER CONTRACT	MLS#105479	$133,500
6213 Dunbarton Oaks Blvd.	.97 acres	RESIDENTIAL LOT	MLS #102676	$140,000
6714 FM 715	-22 Acres		MLS #96888	$444,000
Sundridge Ranch Estate -New Homesites (Only 4 Lots)				3+ acre lots $135,000



Barbara Bates
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Residential Sales

Mark Payne Homes





5909 Frio Drive
$322,500

This home in Heritage Oaks has 4 bedrooms, 2 baths and a flex room to be used as a study or formal dining. You will love the open kitchen with custom cabinets, a gas cooktop and granite countertops.





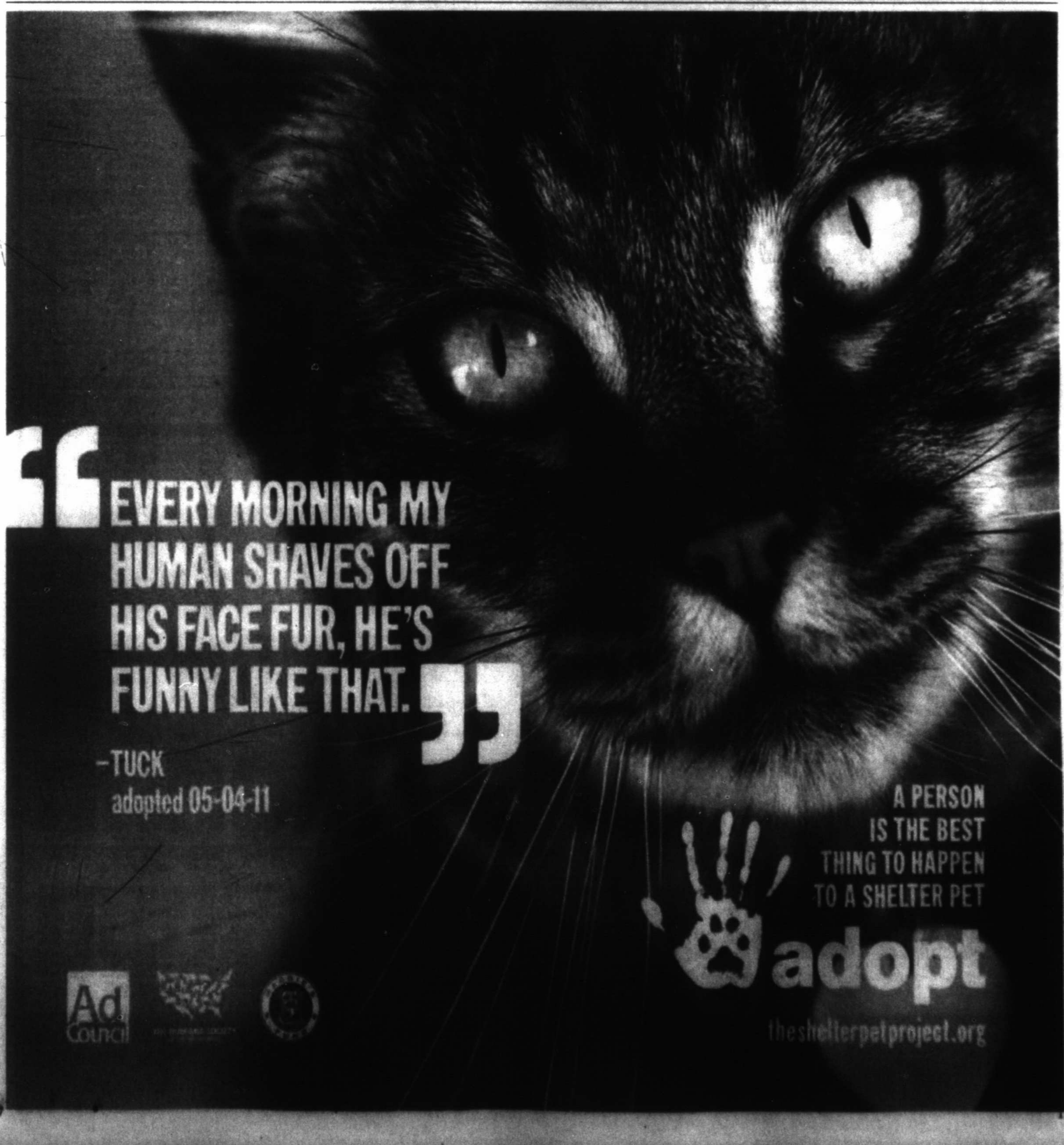
4011 Heritage Oaks
$421,500

This home features 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, a formal dining and a game room. The open kitchen features double ovens, a large bar with plenty of seating, granite countertops and custom cabinets.

Mark Payne Homes Available Homes

5913 Frio Drive- 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Study, 2 Car Garage	UC
6010 Frio Drive- 3 Bed, 2 Bath, 2 Car Garage	UC
6012 Frio Drive- 4 Bed, 2 Bath, 2 Car Garage	$298,500
6014 Frio Drive- 3 Bed, 2 Bath, 2 Car Garage	$273,500
6013 Rio Grande- 4 Bed, 2 Bath, Formal Dining, 2 Car Garage	$326,500

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RAMROD HOMES

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2007 W. DENGAR AVE...Jo Keller 269-8319 ... MLS #103625 ... $254,000
3620 STANOLIND AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #105191 ... $250,000
4100 DYER...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #105238 ... $250,000
4300 RUSSELL CT...Amanda Gunter 413-7330 ... MLS #105064 ... $249,900
3600 MISSION CT...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #105741 ... $249,500
400 HOGAN...Peggy Spence 664-3011 ... MLS #103702 ... $234,500
3005 SUNBURST DR...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #104829 ... $232,000
2602 ARROWHEAD TRAIL...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS #105223 ... SALE PENDING
2008 BEDFORD AVE...Kim Merrill 664-4702 ... MLS #105216 ... $229,900
2410 DENGAR AVE...Ashley St. John ... MLS #105458 ... $229,900
2505 NEELY...Danny Norwood 413-2764 ... $229,000
3804 GULF...Virginia Elizondo 349-7782 ... MLS #103933 ... $229,000
4012 GLENEAGLES DR...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #105258 ... SALE PENDING
3007 PRINCETON...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #105648 ... $225,000
3223 CAMARIE AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #105555 ... $225,000
4008 CLOUDCROFT...Cheryl Parrish 352-3053 ... MLS #105581 ... $219,500
5213 ANETTA DR...Kay Bivens 934-5986 ... MLS #105622 ... $217,000
1121 CHERRY LN...Samantha Smith 978-3588 ... MLS #105649 ... $215,000
1402 VENTHON AVE...Nathan Pinkerton 638-2121 ... MLS #105734 ... $213,000
3114 PRESTON...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #105461 ... $212,000
1610 NEELY...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #104708 ... $210,000
3700 NEELY...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #103402 ... $210,000
3217 W. SHANDON AVE...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ... MLS #105352 ... $209,900
2105 MARCIE CT...Kim Merrill 664-4702 ... MLS #102852 ... $209,900
602 WAGNER...Peggy Spence 664-3011 ... MLS #103716 ... $209,000
5105 LAVACA AVE...Lisa Russell 741-5964 ... MLS #103282 ... $208,500
1203 HOBLES AVE...Josie Rendon 689-8394 ... MLS #105412 ... $202,625
2909 SPARTAN DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #105173 ... $200,000
811 SHEA LANE...Elisa Flatt 557-7159 ... MLS #105121 ... SALE PENDING
1401 MURRAY ST...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #103786 ... $200,000
1305 VENTHON...Josie Rendon 689-8394 ... MLS #104092 ... SALE PENDING
3606 SINCLAIR AVE...Darla Davis 260-8077 ... MLS #104517 ... SALE PENDING
2105 NORTHRUP DR...Nathan Pinkerton 638-2121 ... MLS #105357 ... $199,500
5903 SHEA LANE...Peggy Spence 664-3011 ... MLS #102644 ... $199,000
3005 SHELL AVE...Leah Watkins 599-2187 ... MLS #104653 ... $199,000
5105 LAVACA AVE...Lisa Russell 741-5964 ... MLS #103282 ... $194,900
4021 ANGELINA DR...Maria Mallory 352-4021 ... MLS #105247 ... SALE PENDING
2217 CIMMARON...Amanda Gunter 413-7330 ... MLS #104273 ... $185,000
800 GULF AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #104341 ... $185,000
907 SINCLAIR...Martha Manulik 557-8744 ... MLS #105485 ... $185,000
3800 HOLT...Stacy Gonzalez 413-7061 ... MLS #105611 ... $185,000
1113 GULF AVE...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #105199 ... $174,900
313 ROCKY LANE...Lavonne Johnson ... MLS #104500 ... SALE PENDING
4404 FAIRGATE...Donna Omar 349-1458 ... MLS #105359 ... SALE PENDING
813 W SPRUCE...Karen Foster 559-4086 ... MLS #105065 ... SALE PENDING
705 ALPINE ST...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ... MLS #101390 ... SALE PENDING
221 N. EISENHOWER...Virginia Elizondo 349-7782 ... MLS #103982 ... $167,000
3314 KANSAS...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #105102 ... SALE PENDING
3317 W. DENGAR AVE...Lisa Russell 741-5964 ... MLS #104154 ... $165,000
4412 STOREY AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #104392 ... SALE PENDING
4010 BOWIE DR...Maria Mallory 352-4021 ... MLS #104713 ... $155,000
4013 PLEASANT DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #105354 ... SALE PENDING
4305 HARVARD...Martha Manulik 557-8744 ... MLS #104563 ... SALE PENDING
4006 RIO DR...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #105169 ... $142,000
101 CANYON DR...Angie McKay 432-599-0272 ... MLS #105283 ... SALE PENDING
2705 DELANO AVE...Stacy Gonzalez 413-7061 ... MLS #105100 ... $135,000
403 SPRABERRY DR...Samantha Smith 978-3588 ... MLS #105232 ... $127,000
1003 DELANEY...Lisa Janса 618-3389 ... MLS #103001 ... $125,000
1617 A NAVAJO...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #103997 ... SALE PENDING
1901 N. BENTON...Jennifer Martin 349-2632 ... MLS #104699 ... SALE PENDING
4327 CEDAR SPRING...Janice Murrell 349-7242 ... MLS #104233 ... $119,000
4304 THOMASON...Danny Norwood 618-5012 ... MLS #103796 ... $108,700
1004 W. WASHINGTON...Darla Davis 432-260-8077 ... MLS #100398 ... $100,000

ONE/TWO BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

3525 SHELL AVE...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ... MLS #105022 ... SALE PENDING
1102 LANHAM ST...Kim Merrill 664-4702 ... MLS #102359 ... $163,000
4021 LIVINGSTON ST...Darla Davis 260-8077 ... MLS #103302 ... $149,900
5206 RIO DR...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #105088 ... $141,900
2309 STOREY AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #105238 ... SALE PENDING
3806 W. OHIO AVE...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ... MLS #105143 ... $139,900
4203 PLEASANT DR...Reannah Wyatt 210-775-9015 ... MLS #105487 ... $129,000
330 E. CLOUD...Jennifer Martin 349-2632 ... MLS #102286 ... $128,900
311 S. BENTON...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #105052 ... $115,000
606 LIDDON AVE. #02...Darla Davis 260-8077 ... MLS #105729 ... $108,000
3305 TRAVIS AVE...Jo Keller 269-8319 ... MLS #105495 ... $102,000
1315 E. COWDEN...Joeli Alvarez 296-1305 ... MLS #105398 ... $94,000
607 HOWARD...Jo Keller 269-8319 ... $77,000

HOMES IN MIDLAND COUNTY

1300 S. CO. RD. 1138...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS# 102406 ... 72 Acres/$2,850,000
5015 E. CO. RD. 109...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #104230 ... 155.7 Acres/$1,350,000
1001 S. CO. RD. 1140...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS #105368 ... 6.5 Acres/$999,000
4303 N. CO. RD. 1294...Lisa Janса 618-3389 ... MLS #104991 ... $625,000
4111 E. CO. RD. 120...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3818 ... MLS #104808 ... $599,000
11509 W. CO. RD. 56...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ... MLS #104296 ... $575,000
2600 E. CO. RD. 140...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #105341 ... 70 Acres/$525,000
200 E. CO. RD. 120 ... MLS #105293 ... $479,000
2907 E. CO. RD. 1060...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS #105715 ... $449,500
2300 E. CO. RD. 100, GREENWOOD...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... SALE PENDING
2112 S. CO. RD. 1129...Lisa Russell 741-5964 ... MLS #104872 ... $419,000
7100 FM 307, GREENWOOD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ... MLS #105207 ... 5 Acres/$375,000
14045 W. CO. RD. 124...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #103709 ... $369,000
000 E. CO. RD. 140...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS #104750 ... $339,500
1811 CO. RD. 1095...Virginia Elizondo 349-7782 ... MLS #104243 ... $329,000
4201 E. CO. RD. 1195...Reannah Wyatt 210-775-9015 ... MLS #100444 ... $325,000
6300 S. CO. RD. 1200...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ... SALE PENDING
10230 CO. RD. 86, GREENWOOD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ... MLS #104688 ... 10 Acres/$290,000
1400 N. CO. RD. 1110...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #103113 ... $259,900
10902 FM 307, GREENWOOD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ... SALE PENDING
5007 E. CO. RD. 130...Reannah Wyatt 275-9015 ... MLS #103511 ... $245,000
9307 S. CO. RD. 1269...Jo Keller 269-8319 ... MLS #104643 ... $230,000
1300 W. CO. RD. 89...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ... MLS #104026 ... $215,000
7209 E. CO. RD. 90...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633. ... MLS# 102274 ... SALE PENDING
10907 E. CO. RD. 104, GREENWOOD...Tracy Farrow 432-413-4412 ... MLS #105294 SALE PENDING
1210 N. CO. RD. 1081...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ... MLS# 101074 ... 2RD/$174,900
3004 E. CO. RD. 141...Samantha Smith 978-3588 ... MLS #105043 ... SALE PENDING
1716 A NAVAJO...Caleb Matott 349-3330. ... MLS #103997 ... SALE PENDING
2811 W. CO. RD. 116...Mark Philiber ... MLS #93898 ... SALE PENDING
10900 ECR 108...Tracy Farrow 432-413-4412 ... MLS# 105544 ... SALE PENDING

HOMES OUTSIDE OF MIDLAND COUNTY

340 BARLETT RD, CRANE, TX...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #104091 ... $747,000
0 WARWICK, ODESSA...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #104802 ... $575,000
907 E 2ND ST., ODESSA, TX...Sue Lytle 432-661-5338 ... MLS#105511 ... $570,000
4405 SE 10th, GARDENDALE...Caleb Matott 349-3330. MLS #104548 ... 5 Acres/$367,000
11402 W. CO. RD. 40, GARDENDALE...Ashley St. John 352-6254 MLS #104636 ... 3 Acres/ $355,000
2108 WESTSIDE, STANTON...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #105699 ... $321,000
2024 PCR 2124, Stanton...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #105600 ... 2 acres/$299,000
325 PECAN, GARDEN CITY...Lisa Janса 618-3389 ... MLS#104505... 6.4 Acres/$230,000
1400 S.C.R 1081, Ashley St. John 455-3529 ... MLS #105512 ... $219,000
202 E. 19TH ST., CRANE, TX...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880. ... MLS #105137 ... SALE PENDING
400 1ST, STANTON...Michelle Kidd ... MLS #101475 ... $168,000
313 20TH ST., CRANE, TX...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #105709 ... $150,000
19077 DRAKE, GARDENDALE...Lisa Janса ... MLS #105721 ... $140,000
1003 3RD, ANDREWS...Cynthia Blocker ... MLS #101790 ... $143,500
1221 S. MARY ST...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #102029 ... $140,000
211 E. 8TH ST. CRANE , TX...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #104054 ... $85,000

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL

10204 FM 307...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #1030036 18.11 Ac/$2,100,000
3114 SUNBURST...Wendy Waddell 638-9955 ... MLS #102751 ... $1,000,000
5300 WALL ST...Gina Reyes 553-6381 ... MLS #99121 ... $700,000
1002 MARKSFIELD...Josie Rendon 689-8394 ... MLS #101869 ... $500,000
802 E. 2nd Street, Odessa...Sue Lytle ... MLS 105511 ... $570,000
910 W. KENTUCKY...Maria Mallory 352-4021 ... MLS #104257 ... $450,000
FM 715...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... 25+ Acres/$375,000
S. HWY. 137-TRACT 4, MARTIN CO...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #102474 ... 7.917 Ac/$337,500
E. HWY. 137-TRACT 3, MARTIN CO...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #102474 ... 11.252 Ac/$337,500
CO. RD. 140-LOT 11...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102740 ... 9 Acres/$315,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 2...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102240 ... 9.7 Acres/$291,000
S. HWY. 137-TRACT 1, MARTIN CO...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #102472 ... 8.478 Ac/$294,375
1011 ORCHARD DR...Maria Mallory 352-4021 ... MLS #104252 ... $250,000
S. HWY. 137-TRACT 2, MARTIN CO...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #102473 ... 8.296 Ac/$289,100
CO. RD. 140-LOT 8...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102244 ... 5.7 Acres/$171,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 7...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102245 ... 5.7 Acres/$171,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 6...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102246 ... 5.7 Acres/$171,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 4...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102243 ... 5.8 Acres/$171,000
700 S. BIG SPRING...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #101687 ... $162,500
CO. RD. 140-LOT 13...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102251 ... 5.3 Acres/$159,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 12...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102250 ... 5.3 Acres/$159,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 10...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102249 ... 5.3 Acres/$159,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 15...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102253 ... 5.1 Acres/$153,000
S. LAMESA RD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #103877 ... 5 Acre Tract/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 9...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102257 ... 5 Acres/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 18...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102256 ... 5 Acres/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 17...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102255 ... 5 Acres/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 16...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102254 ... 5 Acres/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 14...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102252 ... 5 Acres/$150,000
701 & 703 S. BIG SPRING...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #100230 ... 2 Lots/$120,000
401 MIDLAND DR...Lydia Scudder 853-2200 ... MLS #103687 ... $90,000

LAND AND LOTS

CO. RD. 55...Jennifer Martin 349-2632 ... MLS #102675 ... 5 Acres/
W. CO. RD. 116...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... 12.54 Acres/$4,000,000
LAKE ALAN HENRY...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... North Ridge Dev., RV Park,
Storage Complex ... $20,000,000
CO. RD. 1080...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97403 ... 52.4 Acres/$2,000,000
CLEAN Land; Will Split, 505+ Acres/$2,340,000
CO. RD. 160...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97408 ... IDEAL Land, 982.20 Acres/$2,000,000
IDEAL Land, 982.20 Acres/$2,000,000
3202 S. CO. RD. 1050...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #101019 ... 99.81 Acres/$1,543,955
5015 E. Co. Rd. 190 Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #104230 ... 155.7 Acres/$1,350,000
000 FM 1213...Kim Merrill 664-4702 ... MLS #101072 ... $1,302,975
N. Co. Rd. 1150...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #104231 ... Quiet area; will split $1,200,000
S. CO. RD. 1050, GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... 99.85 Acres/$900,000
CO. RD. 3100, STANTON...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #94070 ... 160 Acres/$825,000
CO. RD. 100 & CO. RD. 1065...Caleb Matott 349-3330 Superb Land; Caliche Pit. ... 109 Acres/$676,000
FM 715...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ..No Restriction or Zoning ... 25+Acres/$300,000
3415 IDLEWILDE DR...Leah Watkins 599-2187 ... MLS #102445 ... $535,700
1200 STOKES...Jane Wolf 352-4808 ... MLS #100781 ... 10+ Acres/$475,000
FM 715...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #96888 ... 22 Acres/$444,000
CO. RD. 1130...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #99518 ... 29.1 Acres/$274,000
N. CO. RD. 1150/ELKINS RD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #95384 ... 39 Acres/$250,000
6605 ECR 112, COWBOY ESTATES, GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330. MLS #102119 ... 5+ Acres/$164,500
5057 ALYSHEBA LANE...Danny Norwood 413-2764/1.1 acre lot in coveted Belaman Estates! ... $159,000
HWY. 80...Josie Rendon 689-8394 ... MLS #101936 ... $150,000
6213 DUNBARTON OAKS BLVD...Sandy Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #102676 ... $140,000
SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES...Sandy Hanson 638-3819 ... 3+ Acre Lots/$135,000
6601 CO. RD. 41...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #103862 ... $135,000
7299 E. CO. RD. 111...Josie Rendon 689-8394 ... MLS #103299 ... $122,600
2600 SCR 1124, COWBOY ESTATES, GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330...MLS #102126 ... 3+ Acres/$110,000
CO. RD. 54...Pam Messer 349-3075 ... MLS #100052 ... 10 Acres/$100,000
6710 ECR 112, COWBOY ESTATES, GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102121 ... 3+ Acres/$100,000
6508 ECR 112, COWBOY ESTATES, GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330...MLS #102121 ... 3+ Acres/$100,000
6600 ECR 112, COWBOY ESTATES, GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330...MLS #102120 ... 3+ Acres/$100,000
7498 E. CO. RD. 90...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #100047 ... 4.58 Acres/$90,100
2515 SCR 1121, COWBOY ESTATES, GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330...MLS #102120 ... 3+ Acres/$97,500
2501 SCR 1121, COWBOY ESTATES, GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330...MLS #102125 ... 3+ Acres/$97,500
CO. RD. 75 ENTRADA ESTATES...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS #104283 ... 2.047 Acres/$82,000
7411 E. CO. RD. 90...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #100044 ... 1.488 Acres/$84,564
7299 E. CO. RD. 112...Josie Rendon 689-8394 ... MLS #103298 ... $82,500
1292 S. CO. RD. 117...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #100043 ... 1.488 Acres/$81,564
7316 E. CO. RD. 90...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #100046 ... 1.017 Acres/$58,500
CO. RD. 55...Jennifer Martin 349-2632 ... MLS #102675 ... $50,000
1103 CARPENTER, STANTON...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #103605 ... $45,000
QUAIL RIDGE SUBDIVISION...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... 64 Lots Available/Starting At $43,900
CO. RD. 1250...Kim Merrill 664-4702 ... MLS #102642 ... 6.982 Acres/$42,000
S. CO. RD. 1050, GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... 99.85 Acres/$10,000/Acre
CO. RD. 100 & CO. RD. 1065...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97405 ... GREAT Land, 109 Acres/$4,000/Acre

FARMS AND RANCHES

LAKE ALAN HENRY...Caleb Matott - 432-349-3330...HUGE OPPORTUNITY! Water Rights ... $20,000,000
2900 E. CO. RD. 1140...Caleb Matott 349-3330...Ranchette Close to Downtown ... 70 Acres/$525,000
THE FLYING 7 QUAIL RANCH, STONEWALL COUNTY...Caleb Matott 349-3330...Exotic Wildlife, Brazos River ... 1397 Acres/$4,500,000
THE LAZY L RANCH, ECTOR COUNTY...Caleb Matott 349-3330. Rare Find, Exceptional ... 2566 Acres/$2,200,000
CO. RD. 160...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97408 ... IDEAL Land, 982.20 Acres/$2,000,000
SHANNON RANCH, VAL VERDE CO....Caleb Matott 349-3330. EXCEPTIONAL Part of the Pecos River ... 1597.27 Acres/$1,102,500
KIMARD RANCH, MIDLAND COUNTY...Caleb Matott 349-3330...Pond, Shop & Man Cave ... 155+ ACRES/$1,550,000
S. CO. RD. 1050, GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 GREENWOOD-Great Subdivision Potential ... 99.85 Acres/$900,000
CO. RD. 100 & CO. RD. 1065...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97408.....SUPERB Land - Will



ROAD TRIP: GET WEIRD IN AUSTIN

Austin: booming with new hot spots

By Jody Schmal
Houston Chronicle

AUSTIN — Call it capital gains. The city formerly known as a town is all grown up, with swanky new high-rise hotels and hot spots galore, along with festivals (SXSW, Austin City Limits) that some say have grown too big for their britches. But Austin's mainstays — live music, the outdoors and food — continue to entice visitors to its hills.

What To Do

■ **Dive-in movies at Deep Eddy**

Texas' oldest swimming pool hosts weekly movie nights throughout the summer, during which locals congregate in the water or settle on the adjoining grassy slopes to watch family friendly films on a large inflatable screen. Entry is only a few dollars; bring your own inner tube if you want to float — but be warned the spring-fed water stays a consistent 70 degrees, which is chillier than it seems.

Vitals: 401 Deep Eddy Ave., 512-472-8546; austintexas.gov/department/deep-eddy-pool.

■ **Chicken S—— Bingo**

Ginny's Little Longhorn Saloon rustles up a good time with live honky-tonk music throughout the week. But Sunday afternoons at this unique dive bar is the biggest draw. There are free hot dogs, a band playing in the corner and cheap bottles beer. But the star of the show is "bingo." Patrons pay a few bucks for a number, and octogenarian owner Ginny Kalmbach delivers a live chicken into a cage atop the pool table. The cage's plywood floor is a bingo-card-recalling grid with numbers. Bargoers then gather 'round and wait for the bird to drop ... well, you know. Winning number takes home cash.

Vitals: 5434 Burnet, 512-524-1291; thelittlelonghornsaloon.com.

Where to eat

■ **Franklin's Barbecue**

Pitmaster and owner Aaron Franklin was named Best Chef: Southwest at this year's James Beard Awards — an accolade typically reserved for chefs at more traditional fine-dining restaurants. But the buzz about Franklin's is no joke. People arrive at dawn to get in line for Franklin's epic brisket, decadent beef ribs and a honker of a barbecue sandwich called the Tipsy Texan (a giant pile of brisket, sausage, slaw and sauce on a bun). Come ready to make friends and find smoked-meat nirvana.

Vitals: 900 E. 11th, 512-653-1187; franklinbarbecue.com.



Chicken S—— Bingo

■ **Food trucks**

Food trucks are everywhere you can find them in Austin. The nightlife-savvy Rainey Street District is home to a court of trailers, serving everything from Chinese cuisine and Spanish tapas to tacos. Across the highway in burgeoning foodie heaven East Austin, restaurateur and "Top Chef" winner Paul Qui along with chef Thai Changthong are winning raves for the imaginative Thai dishes at their new East Side King Thai-Kun (parked at Whistler's bar). Another neighborhood newbie: Toaster (at the bar Stay Gold), which has Southern-style food such as a sun-dried-tomato-zapped grilled cheese.

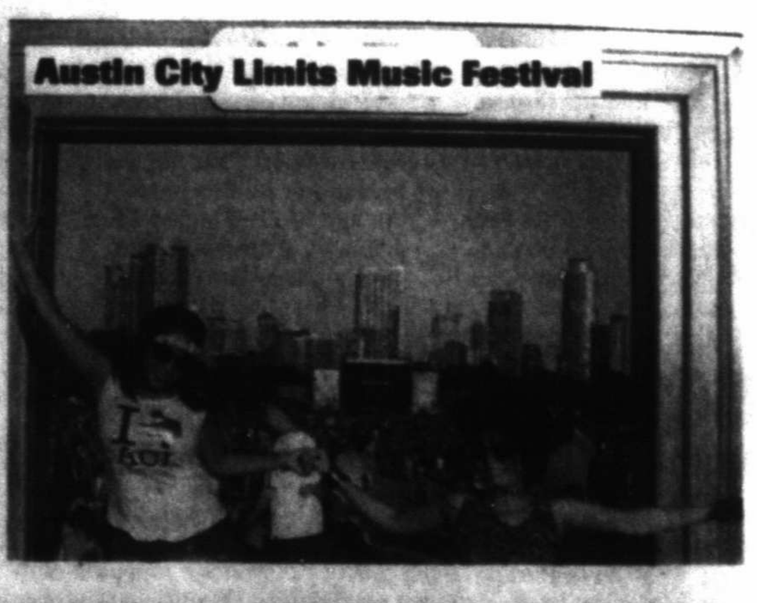
Vitals: eskaustin.com and toasterfoodtruck.wix.com/toastertrailer.

Inn coming

Austin's hotel scene is booming with a slew of new and soon-to-open lodging options. The $300 million JW Marriott (11. E. 2nd St.) opened in February; with 1,012-plus rooms, it's the city's largest hotel. Meanwhile, three other new hotels are set to debut this summer: Hotel Van Zandt, a 16-story, 320-room Kimpton property in the Rainey Street District; the 20-story, 366-room Westin Austin Downtown; and the 195-room Sonesta Bee Cave, west of Austin at the Hill Country Galleria. The more boutique-y South Congress Hotel (1603 S. Congress), whose owners also revamped Hotel Ella in 2013, bows in August and will have 83 rooms and suites as well as a 12-seat Japanese restaurant by Paul Qui. Further down the line, Houston-owned Hotel Granduca will open its luxurious Italian-style doors in Westlake Hills in fall 2016, and Hotel ZaZa is opening a 24-story outpost downtown at the start of 2017. And in the summer of that year, the $370 million Fairmont Austin is poised to take JW Marriott's top spot with 1,066 rooms.



Dive-in movies at Deep Eddy



Austin City Limits Music Festival

5 QUESTIONS

Joneva Kaylen | opera singer

What's inside



Associated Press

NJ teen to star as Dorothy in NBC's 'The Wiz Live!'

By Lauri Neff
Associated Press

NEW YORK — NBC has found the young woman who will ease on down the yellow brick road.

The network Wednesday unveiled newcomer Shanice Williams from New Jersey as its Dorothy for the Dec. 3 live production of "The Wiz Live!" She later told The Associated Press that she's ready for the challenge.

"Right now I'm just ready to jump in and show the world what I have to offer because I've been waiting for the moment — it feels like forever. I'm only 19 but it feels like so long just asking, 'How is this going to happen for me?' So now that it's finally here, I'm just happy to have this opportunity."

Williams joins a cast that includes Queen Latifah as The Wiz, Mary J. Blige as the Wicked Witch of the West and David Alan Grier as the Cowardly Lion.

The show is adapted from "The Wonderful Wizard of Oz" by L. Frank Baum, with a book by William F. Brown, and music and lyrics by Charlie Smalls. The production opened on Broadway in 1975 and won seven Tonys, including best musical.

The original Broadway production featured Stephanie Mills as Dorothy, Dee Dee Bridgewater as good witch Glinda and Andre De Shields as the Wiz. Mills returned as Dorothy in a 1984 revival.

A 1978 movie version of "The Wiz" starred Diana Ross, Lena Horne and Richard Pryor in those respective roles. Michael Jackson co-starred as the Scarecrow, with Nipsey Russell as the Tinman and Ted Ross as the Lion.

Williams said she idolized Mills and said Ross was amazing in the film, but she wants to make Dorothy her own. "I will always remember how iconic they made the role but I also want to bring myself into it and give Dorothy a little bit of Shanice, you know?"

TV stocks fall sharply on worries over future

By Emily Steel and Brooks Barnes
N.Y. Times News Service

If ESPN is having trouble, is the rest of television burnt toast?

Late on Tuesday, Disney reduced growth expectations for its vast cable network division, which contributes roughly half of its annual operating income and is anchored by what is considered the strongest channel around: ESPN.

Never mind that Disney's chief executive, Robert A. Iger, aggressively defended ESPN's overall health. By the end of trading on Wednesday, Disney shares had tumbled 9 percent, alarming the entire entertainment industry.

Along with Disney's decline were sharp drops in the stocks of other large media companies. Shares in Comcast, Time Warner, 21st Century Fox, CBS, Viacom, Discovery Communications and AMC Networks all were down on Wednesday. Discovery plunged 12 percent.

Some analysts cautioned that investors had mistakenly entered panic mode and that the companies largely delivered solid business results. Others said that the industrywide sell-off illuminated long-term fears about the fate of traditional media companies in a new digital world, where viewers are canceling their cable and satellite subscriptions as they spend more time watching on-demand streaming television that doesn't include advertising.

"There is almost an eeriness to this; it doesn't seem fundamentally driven," said David Bank, an analyst with RBC Capital Markets. "The concern is when you look at five to 10 years out, you become less certain about the ecosystem."

Not only has subscriber and distribution revenue come under pressure as viewers choose not to pay for traditional cable and satellite service, but so, too, has advertising revenue in the face of huge declines in TV ratings.

"You have both legs of the media stool being kicked," said Richard Greenfield, a media analyst with BTIG Research. "The consumer is shifting, and these media companies are not built to take advantage of technological disruption."

Fueling investor anxiety, some analysts said, is the fast rise of digital rivals like Netflix, which some analysts said was cutting into the time people spend watching traditional television, and Facebook, which is capturing a larger share of advertising dollars.

In the second quarter this year, Netflix surpassed expectations, adding a record 3.3 million global streaming members, bringing its total memberships to 65.6 million. Its stock registered another record high on Wednesday. And at Facebook, whose shares are also near a benchmark high, advertising revenue surged 43 percent to $3.8 billion during the second quarter.

Netflix and Facebook "are at a scale that we really haven't seen historically in media in terms of the number of subscribers and the number of users," said Anthony DiClemente, a media and Web analyst at Nomura Securities.

Charles W. Ergen, chairman of the Dish Network, acknowledged Netflix's ascendance.

"It's totally, totally shifted to Netflix," he said. "Netflix is the most powerful content aggregator in the world today, and there's nobody that's even close."

Ergen also outlined the challenges traditional television companies are facing. "Viewership is going down, advertising rates are going down, and everybody wants to go to the Street and say they're still making the same amount of money," he said.

But as the large media conglomerates reported earnings on Wednesday, their executives insisted they were not worried.

Time Warner, the home of HBO, the Turner cable networks and the Warner Bros. film studios, beat second-quarter expectations for profit and revenue. Total revenue increased 8 percent to $7.3 billion during the quarter, all divisions of the company showed growth.

Nevertheless, shares in the company closed down 9 percent, at $79.80.

"We recognize the pace of change in our industry is accelerating, and that means we're going to have to move even faster," Jeffrey L. Bewkes, chief executive of Time Warner, said in a conference call.

Time Warner has tried to position itself to take advantage of the fast rise in streaming by licensing programming to digital outlets and starting its own streaming offering for HBO, which does not require a traditional cable subscription.

At 21st Century Fox, the company reported a 9.3 percent decline to $6.2 billion in adjusted revenue during the quarter ended June 30 because of declining advertising sales in its TV business and a lack of theatrical releases in its filmed entertainment business.

Executives said that while the company had no plans to create an independent streaming service, it was benefiting from making its programming available to streaming services.

Shares in Fox closed down 7 percent on Wednesday, and declined an additional 4 percent in after-hours trading.

"Our industry has always been evolving and innovating," Lachlan Murdoch, executive chairman of 21st Century Fox, said in a conference call. "The scale and speed of this change will, to some, be overwhelming."

The market woes also affected CBS Corp., whose shares dropped more than 4 percent. On Wednesday, the company reported that net earnings from continuing operations declined 20 percent during the second quarter to $332 million, in part because of a $55 million restructuring charge related to its radio and TV station operations.

Leslie Moonves, chief executive at CBS, promised that his company was well positioned for a digital future, highlighting the introduction of stand-alone streaming services for its CBS and Showtime networks.

"The future is now and we are part of it across the board," he said.

At Discovery, which also reported earnings on Wednesday, profits tumbled 25 percent during the second quarter in large part because of foreign currency losses.

Despite the weak results, David M. Zaslav, chief executive of Discovery Communications, was also optimistic.

"We could be on every SVOD platform if we wanted to," he said, referring to the streaming video on demand services. "But since we own all of our content, we could also go directly to consumer, which is very possible."

Of all the media companies, Disney was perhaps the loudest in insisting that there was no cause for concern.

In a lengthy interview on CNBC, Iger said, "We are very bullish about our cable business, and we are very bullish about ESPN." He added, "The bundle is not going away. Not only is it not going away, it is going to continue to grow."

Disney unnerved the market for reasons beyond ESPN, starting with expectations. Analysts, investors and the news media have become used to quarter after quarter (after quarter) of blockbuster Disney results — what Michael Nathanson, an analyst at MoffettNathanson has termed "the earnings beating machine."

So Disney "hitting a pothole," as Nathanson put it, was startling.

Santa Fe Opera to commission production on Steve Jobs

By Russell Contreras
Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Since his death in 2011, Apple co-founder Steve Jobs has been the subject of documentaries, books, a film and even a graphic novel.

Now the technology pioneer will be the focus of an upcoming opera.

In front of the Sangre de Cristo mountains in northern New Mexico, the Santa Fe Opera announced Wednesday that its latest commission will be based on the man who helped revolutionize personal computers, the music business and, of course, brought the world the iPhone.

"The Revolution of Steve Jobs" will premiere during the company's 2017 season and will be written by composer Mason Bates and librettist Mark Campbell, opera leadership said. According to the opera, the production will examine Jobs facing his own mortality and circles back to the events and people in his past that shaped and inspired him.

The move comes as New Mexico in recent years has worked to honor it connections to technology innovators like Jobs and Microsoft founder Bill Gates. For example, a Route 66 motor lodge in Albuquerque where Bill Gates and Paul Allen lived while launching Midrosoft Corp. is being redeveloped into apartments as part of a neighborhood revival project.

While Gates worked on his project, Jobs operated from in his garage in Los Altos, California, and with partner Steve Wozniak released the compact Apple II at the time Albuquerque was a technology hub.

He was fired from Apple in 1985 in a board coup but came back 11 years later. On his second tour, he introduced the iMac, the iPod and the iPhone.

That journey is the perfect story for an opera, General Director Charles MacKay said. "We are delighted to take this journey into the life and legacy of a distinctly American figure through the creative genius of Mason Bates and Mark Campbell," MacKay said.

Bates said the story of Jobs is a great intersection of creativity, innovation and human communication. His relationship with those who helped him along that journey also will help tell the story in the opera, Bates said.

"Each character will have (his or her) own music," Bates said. "When they collide, that's when it gets interesting."

This will be the first opera produced by Bates, who has gained national attention during the past decade by fusing traditional symphonic resources with electronic sounds. Armed with a laptop computer, he often performs in the presentation of his compositions.

Campbell has authored 15 librettos since the mid-1990s, including the opera "Silent Night."

Apple company spokeswoman Kristin Huguet did not immediately respond to an email from The Associated Press.

The 56-year-old Jobs died in 2011 after a long fight with cancer.



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where so many great composers, conductors, singers and other musicians had stood over the centuries) or the most natural (like the outdoor theater on Corfu, Greece with the turquoise sea as our backdrop). Any place can be fantastic when the music unites audience and performers and carries them all away.

MRT: Which arias/songs will you perform and do those have particular meaning to you?

Kaylen: My choice for the concert had to be something by Puccini. If it weren't for him, I'd never have become an opera singer. My first recording was "La Boheme," and as a teenager I used to spend hours listening to it and acting out the different parts. My first aria (coached by Hank Sellers and performed in Vienna when the Lee choir was there) was from Puccini's "Gianni Schicchi" and my first role was Suor Angelica, from his opera of the same name. I have sung "Tosca" in more productions than any other role in my repertoire and still haven't quite given up on hoping for an opportunity to sing "The Girl of the Golden West" - even though I should be a logical choice, coming from Texas, right? They say Puccini fell in love with each of the strong, multi-facetted heroines of his operas, and of the 7 out of 12 I have been honored to embody, all will ever remain a part of me, especially the quiet strength and faith of "Madame Butterfly," whose aria "Un bel dì vedremo" I'll be singing at the concert.

MRT: How different is it to perform in front of your home crowd?

Kaylen: It's going to be hard to keep calm, cool and collected when returning to the place it all began. I am so thankful for the early guidance, inspiration and support we received in the music programs of the Midland schools. If it weren't for the fabulous musical experiences afforded by the Robert E. Lee Chorale, how very different my life path would surely have been.

MRT: What is your ideal meal?

Kaylen: One shared with great friends and family!

Support local writers with the upcoming Author Day



GLEN AARON
Columnist

Summer is a great time for reading. Does it really matter who published the book if it is a good story that you can enjoy?

Until the 21st century, the three main publishing companies (Simon & Schuster of CBS, HarperCollins of News Corp. or Penguin Random House) controlled the availability of what you could read. However, as the information age developed through the Internet, readers found a broader offering of books online through Amazon, Ingram, Smashword's, GoodReads and many other sources. With this evolution came the independent author who did not seek out the big three publishers or were rejected by them, perhaps because the writer did not have the necessary New York City connection.

In the publishing industry, there was a certain snobbery that independent authors were not "real authors." Of course, nothing could be further from the truth, but as long as those major three traditional publishers could make people believe that or intimidate brick-and-mortar stores and libraries from carrying what are called "indies," they had a corner on the market — indeed a monopoly. People had to read what the big three, or their imprints, produced, and, therefore, they controlled reader recommended lists like the New York Times or magazine book lists.

Today, the monopoly of the big three traditional publishers is rapidly changing. Nationwide bookstore chains still shelve only traditional published books, but they will likely order an indie book for a customer upon request. Of greater effect, however, are the tens of thousands of independent bookstores throughout North America, Great Britain and Europe that shelve primarily indie authors and books. There, you have a marriage of independence.

In Great Britain, the Guardian newspaper has now embraced indie authors and carries a recommended book list of their titles. This is not to say that traditional publishers do not produce good books. Of course they do. They also produce bad reads. The problem for the writer seeking to be published, however, is that first she must acquire an agent before a traditional publisher will look at her manuscript, and the agent takes a cut. There are more than 100,000 agents, and only a few are good and connected with the traditional publishers. The author has no way of knowing who those few agents are and the publishing company doesn't release that information.

If an author is published by a traditional publisher, when all is said and done, she will net about 15 percent of sales before taxes. That doesn't work unless you are a Grisham or a Harry Potter series and sell millions of copies. The statistics of traditional publishers are that 90 percent of their profit comes from 10 percent of their books. Not only that but the author has to give up her copyright under a traditional publishing contract.

Independent authors retain closer to 50 percent of the income from the sale of their books. That is quite a difference. The uphill climb, however, is that the indie has to do her own marketing. But on the other hand, had the indie gone with a traditional house, there is no guarantee that they would aggressively market her book, plus the cost of marketing and bookstore returns would be taken out of her sales.

There is a misconception within the earlier mentioned snobbery that if it is an indie book, it is probably not well-written. Of course, that is just bumper sticker mentality. It is likely that there are as many poorly written books produced by traditional publishers as there are by indies. I know that some of the same author names you keep seeing repeated on the New York Times list is not what you would call good writing. There are some that I have to put down the book before finishing it, either because it is just like the last one the author wrote, and I know what is going to happen in this formula, or it is so disjointed, I can't keep up with it.

Last weekend, my wife and I visited Hastings in Odessa. I was delighted to see that they have a shelf section for local authors featuring the many writers in the Basin. Libraries are beginning to have indie-published sections, and for brick-and-mortar chains like Hastings, the tide is turning to offering those writers exposure in their stores. Of course, the thousands of independent brick-and-mortar stores across the nation (mom-and-pop store owners who love books and sell them) already do.

So, the next time there is a gathering of local book authors, like Author Day at the Farmers Market on the Museum of the Southwest grounds on September 19, go by and take a look. Support independence. You will be glad you did.

New Dr. Seuss book 'Pet' runs afoul of PETA

By Rene Lynch
Los Angeles Times

The new Dr. Seuss book, "What Pet Should I Get?," is about two children who go to a pet store to buy a pet.

That was a commonplace event in the 1950s or early 1960s, when Dr. Seuss is believed to have written the long-lost book, but it's discouraged today. Which is why the new book comes with a remarkable addendum: A publisher's note urges children to walk on by the pet store and adopt from an animal shelter.

But animal rights activist Ingrid Newkirk, the president of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, said it's not enough and expressed concerns that it could set back the movement to encourage shelters over pet shops. Up to 4million shelter animals are euthanized each year.

Newkirk said she can envision parents and children settling down to enjoy the new book together — followed by the inevitable "Mommy, let's go to the pet store and get a pet!"

"The Seuss books are beloved, and rightly beloved, but I'm concerned that this will do much more harm than good unless parents and teachers and adults are careful to use it as a learning exercise and a teaching exercise" against buying pets, she said. "But not everyone will hear it."

She said that after the children's classic "101 Dalmatians" was published in 1956, kids everywhere wanted a speckled pup of their own. And then there was a flood of unwanted Dalmatians after the novelty had worn off.

Although Newkirk appreciates the publisher's note at the end of the book, she says she wishes it had more prominent positioning at the front.

Random House did not respond to a request for comment.

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1. "Go Set a Watchman" by Harper Lee (HarperCollins)
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4. "The English Spy" by Daniel Silva (Harper)
5. "Truth or Die" by Patterson/Roughan (Little, Brown)
6. "Nemesis" by Catherine Coulter (G.P. Putnam's Sons)
7. "Naked Greed" by Stuart Woods (G.P. Putnam's Sons)
8. "Speaking in Bones" by Kathy Reichs (Bantam)
9. "The Melody Lingers On" by Mary Higgins Clark (Simon & Schuster)
10. "Finders Keepers" by Stephen King (Scribner)
11. "Country" by Danielle Steel (Delacorte)
12. "Armada" by Ernest Cline (Crown Publishing)
13. "The Nightingale" by Kristin Hannah (St. Martin's)
14. "The Rumor"" by Elin Hilderbrand (Little, Brown)
15. "Tom Clancy: Under Fire" by Grant Blackwood (Putnam)

Hardcover nonfiction

1. "Selp-Helf" by Miranda Sings (Gallery Books)
2. "The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying Up" by Marie Kondo (Ten Speed)
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4. "The Wright Brothers by David McCullough (Simon & Schuster)
5. "Modern Romance" by Aziz Ansari (Penguin Press)
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8. "A Time for Truth" by Ted Cruz (HarperCollins/ Broadside)
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10. "Being Mortal" by Atul Gawande (Metropolitan)
11. "Barbarian Days" by William Finnegan (Penguin Press)
12. "The Whole 30" by Melissa Hartwig and Dallas Hartwig (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt)
13. "Adios, America" by Ann Coulter (Regenry Publishing)
14. "Sick in the Head" by Judd Apatow (Random)
15. "Dead Wake" by Erik Larson (Crown Publishing)

Mass market paperbacks

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3. "A Perfect Life" by Danielle Steel (Dell)
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6. "Zoo" (TV Tie-in) by Patterson/Ledwidge (Grand Central)
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14. "The Art of Sinning" by Sabrina Jeffries (S&S/ Pocket)
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8. "The 5 Love Languages" by Gary Chapman (Moody/Northfield)
9. "The Official SAT Study Guide (2016)" (College Board)
10. "The Vacationers" by Emma Straub (Riverhead)
11. "Everything I Never Told You" by Celeste Ng (Penguin Press)
12. "The Goldfinch" by Donna Tartt (LB/Back Bay)
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WEDDING & ANNIVERSARY



Lockwood - Petraitis

Caroline Claire Lockwood and Dustin Michael Petraitis of Midland were united in marriage at six o'clock in the evening on January 17, 2015 at the First United Methodist Church of Brownwood. The double ring ceremony was officiated by Dr. Don Scroggs of Brownwood.

The prelude to the ceremony was played by Dr. Allen Reed on the organ and Mr. Eric Evans on piano. As the bride entered the sanctuary on the arm of her father, the Howard Payne University Concert Choir, directed by Dr. Monte Garrett, sang "Praise the Lord" by Franz Joseph Haydn.

Given in marriage by her parents and presented by her father, the bride wore a formal wedding gown by Vera Wang. The strapless ballgown was made with layers of tulle and organza with gatherings of bustled crinoline. The front of the gown featured beautiful blooms hand rolled out of eyelash organza. The gown's natural waist was veiled with horsehair and drew to an hourglass silhouette. Her cathedral length veil and blusher was of silk illusion and trimmed in horsehair. The bride wore the same sixpence in her shoe that was worn by her mother and both of her sisters on their wedding days. She wore pearl and diamond earrings that were a gift from her father, along with a sapphire and diamond ring and bracelet that belonged to her maternal grandmother. She carried a hand-tied bouquet of white roses, hydrangeas, and assorted white blooms.

Hillary Lockwood Morefield of Houston and Ashley Lockwood Chilcote of Brownwood, sisters of the bride, served as the Matrons of Honor. Also attending the bride were Megan Oliver Jacobson of Kingwood, Kelcey May Johnson of Fort Worth, Millie Norris Mertz of Houston, Amber Elizabeth Perley of Austin, Ashton Anne Perley of Dallas, Blair Culwell Staky of Chicago, and Erin Gray Thomas of Frisco.

Nathan Allen Petraitis, the groom's brother of Breckenridge, Colorado, served as Best Man. Groomsmen included Matthew Tyler Dunnam, Paul Grant Huckabay, Erik Michael Paulson, Derrick Rowdy Slentz, and Clayton Elliott Winkler, all of Midland, Stephen Alexander Hedrick of Austin, Kirk James Logan of New York City, and Mortimer Lawson Mertz of Houston. David Alan Chilcote of Brownwood and William Brown Morefield, IV of Houston served as ushers.

The reception, dinner, and dance were held immediately following the ceremony at the Brownwood Coliseum, which had been transformed into a "Winter Wonderland." Music was provided by The Think Big Party Band of Dallas.

The bride's cake was a five layer traditional all white wedding cake, decorated with large sugar peonies and orchids. The groom's cake was a three layer chocolate cake with a chocolate crème brulee and chocolate bourbon pecan filling.

The couple left the reception escorted by a jazz ensemble and flanked by guests celebrating with lighted sparklers.

The wedding coordinator was Garry Eoff of Brownwood.

The groom's parents hosted a rehearsal dinner for the bridal party and out of town guests the evening before the wedding at the Brownwood Country Club.

Caroline is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Leonard Lockwood of Brownwood. She is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Coleman Bartley of New Orleans, Louisiana, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thomas Lockwood of Brownwood. She is a 2005 graduate of Brownwood High School and a 2009 graduate of TCU with a degree in Broadcast Journalism. Caroline is a landman for Doug Ferguson, Landman, Inc.

Dustin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael John Petraitis of Midland. He is the grandson of Margaret Ann Minter and the late Earl Allen Minter of Joshua, Texas, and the late Mr. and Mrs. John Petraitis of Houston, Texas. He is a 2004 graduate of Midland High School and a 2008 graduate of SMU with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. Dustin works with Custer and Wright Operating, Inc.

Following their week-long honeymoon to Carmelo, Uraguay, the couple now reside at their home in Midland.



Fergeson's Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Ted and Donna Fergeson of Midland celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 7, 2015.

The couple met in Roswell NM and dated for one and one half years. They were married at First United Methodist Church in Roswell, NM on August 7, 1965. They moved to Midland in 1966, then to Shreveport, LA in 1968, and then to back to Midland in 1969. Ted and Donna have been longtime Midland residents since and attend First United Methodist Church in Midland.

They have 3 children: Ted Fergeson of Midland, Shannon Graff and husband Curtis of Marshall, TX and Heather Conklin and husband Todd of Tulsa, OK. They have 7 grandchildren: Paige Fergeson of Bulverde, TX and Claire Fergeson of Coppell, TX, Olivia and Darby Graff of Marshall, TX and Jack, Gracie and Emma Conklin of Tulsa, OK.

Ted is a landman and has worked at several oil companies since 1962. Donna has been a Doncaster Sales Representative for 25 years. She has also been a docent for the George W Bush home for nine years.

Your children, friends and family celebrate with you! Your love, dedication and commitment to one another is truly and inspiration to all who know you.

Food industry asks for exemptions to trans fat phase-out

By Mary Clare Jalonick
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Shortening, pie crusts, brownies and microwave popcorn could be partially exempt from a government phase out of artificial trans fats — if the food industry gets its way.

The Food and Drug Administration announced in June that it is requiring food companies to largely rid their foods of the artery-clogging fats over the next three years, calling them a threat to public health. But food companies can still petition to use them sparingly.

The Grocery Manufacturers Association, the leading industry group for the food industry, said Wednesday that it is petitioning the FDA to continue the use of artificial trans fats in hundreds of foods, from tiny amounts in breakfast cereals to larger amounts in shortening and pie crusts.

The food industry argues that the levels would not increase heart disease risk any more than naturally occurring trans fats from meat and dairy products.

Food companies "have already voluntarily lowered the amount of trans fat added to food products by more than 86 percent and will continue lowering (partially hydrogenated oil) use to levels similar to naturally occurring trans fat found in the diet," said Leon Bruner of the Grocery Manufacturers Association.

The fats are created when hydrogen is added to vegetable oil to make it more solid, which is why they are often called partially hydrogenated oils. Scientists say there are no health benefits to the fats, which are used in processing food and in restaurants, usually to improve texture, shelf life or flavor. They can raise levels of "bad" cholesterol and lower "good" cholesterol, increasing the risk of heart disease, the leading cause of death in the United States.

Many of the amounts requested in the group's petition would be less than a gram of trans fat per serving — a move that public health groups see as positive.

Can opener cuts risk of injury by sharp pull-up top

HINTS FROM HELOISE

King Features Syndicate

Dear Heloise: The pull-up top on pineapple cans is very sharp. I use a can opener on the underside of the can to open it. — Marty in Warren, Ohio

Good hint. Some cans can be opened this way, but some cans can have a rounded bottom that cannot be cut off with a can opener.

Can you say can the can with a round bottom so you can open the can with a can opener as quickly as a cancan dancer can kick the can? — Heloise

Organic carrots

Dear Heloise: I buy a lot of organic carrots with the beautiful leafy greens on top. Are they safe to eat? — G.W., via email

They are safe to eat; however, they have a unique flavor and can be a bit bitter. Chop them up and add to a green salad, or use a pinch or two the same way you use parsley in a dish.

Be adventurous and try them sauteed with a little oil, maybe some garlic or onion, salt and pepper, and do try a dash of red-wine vinegar or lemon juice to add flavor. — Heloise

Stuck raisins

Dear Heloise: I seldom use raisins, but when I do, they are all stuck together. Any hints for making them easier to remove from the container? — Judy C., via email

This can happen over time, especially if the box or bag has been opened. To unstick the stuck raisins, dampen your hands just a little, then sort of massage the clump, and the raisins will separate.

Keep them in the refrigerator, and be sure to first put them in a food-storage bag, remove air, then into another bag. — Heloise

Cutting watermelon

Dear Readers: Here are two hints for cutting up watermelon:

Joy A. in Shortsville, N.Y., wrote: "I love watermelon and like to keep it cut up in the refrigerator ready to eat. The rind is extremely difficult to slice through. Recently, my husband suggested I use the electric meat-carving knife. This worked so quickly and smoothly, I will use it for watermelon, squash and pumpkin rind."

Bruce L. in Bozeman, Mont., wrote: "Before applying that intense downward knife pressure to cut off a round slice, take a horizontal cut off the outer rind. This provides a stable base for the fruit to rest while cutting. For years, I tried to cut melon slices from a rocking melon. I recommend the horizontal cut to your readers."

Delicious hints for a wonderful summertime treat! Chilled watermelon on a hot day is heaven. Yummy! — Heloise

Last drop

Dear Heloise: My frugal mother taught me this hint growing up: Use a rubber spatula to clean out the remains of a mayo, peanut butter or jam jar, or even food in a dish. You will be amazed how much would have been wasted. In addition, the spatula makes for easy spreading. This also makes for easier cleanup when recycling the jar. — Kay in Port Charlotte, Fla.

Send a hint to Heloise, P.O. Box 795000, San Antonio, TX 78279-5000; Fax: 210-HELOISE; Email: Heloise@Heloise.com.

Finally! A US-made hard cider that's worth drinking

By J.M. Hirsch
Associated Press

BOSTON — There was a day not so long ago when this country had squat to offer as far as hard ciders. And for those of us who came of age on this deliciously dryly-sweet boozy beverage, it kind of sucked.

Having spent my university years in Scotland, I took advantage of many a pint of hard cider to warm my soul during the bitter, damp seasons (11 months of the year) and make studying metaphysics more tolerable. But when I graduated and returned to the U.S., I was dismayed to discover so few choices on our shelves and in our bars. And what few there were rarely were worth drinking.

That was more than a few years ago. Today, we are awash in hard cider choices, a trend that has piggybacked on the craft beer wave. Sadly, most of them still aren't worth drinking, tending to be either stupidly sweet or breathtakingly dry. After a while, I simply shrugged and chalked it up to the U.S. not having a strong cider culture, nor much history making it (at least compared to Europe).

Then I spent this summer living (and drinking) in Boston, where Downeast Cider House ciders flow something akin to water. I first encountered the cider at a Cambridge bar, where the waitress told me it was produced in Maine. That turns out to be true mostly in spirit, despite the name. It's a solidly Boston-based company (that started in Maine in 2012, but moved for reasons amusingly told via cartoons on the company's website — http://downeastcider.com/history/).



AP file photo

Original Downeast Cider is poured into a glass at the home office of the Downeast Cider House on July 24 in Boston. The company expects to produce 17,000 barrels of cider this year, more than doubling overall production compared to last year.

And the company produces a deliciously murky cider. Wait... Murky?

Murky isn't often a term associated with delicious. But roll with this one. The ciders I enjoyed as a too-young man were crisply, transparently amber. Downeast Cider House ciders are cloudy. I balked when my first pint was poured. But then I tasted. Clean and crisp, a little sweet, a little dry. Which is to say, a balanced cider. The sort of drink Americans have shown themselves not particularly adept at producing.

The company was started by Ross Brockman and Tyler Mosher during their final year at Bates College in Maine. Brockman's brother, Matt, also joined the troupe. Why is their cider different? They'll tell you it's because they do everything from scratch. They'll also mention that their ciders aren't filtered, hence the murkiness. They are right, of course, but their motivation matters, too.

When Mosher and Brockman started playing around with making cider during college, they had a simple goal. They wanted to do something that stood out from other ciders being produced.

"There were two different types. The melted Jolly Ranchers, mass produced ciders," Mosher said recently of ciders that tend to be candy sweet. "On the other side were small craft producers emulating old English ciders, dry ciders. So we decided to make a hard cider that tasted like fresh apples."

The resulting ciders are refreshing and lightly sweet, but not cloying. My favorite is their "original," which accounts for nearly three-quarters of the 17,000 barrels they expect to produce this year, a more than doubling of overall production over last year. So it would seem I'm not the only one impressed by their ciders.

Distribution of Downeast Cider House ciders is mostly at bars and by the can in New England, New York and New Jersey. They are worth hunting for.

Get to know buckwheat, a flavorful grain perfect for summer

By Aarti Sequeira
Associated Press

It's high time we jumped on the buckwheat bandwagon.

The nutty pyramid-shaped grain has been around for about 8,000 years, popular in part for its high protein and mineral content. Thought to have been first cultivated in Southeast Asia, the grain quickly picked up fans around the world from Japan (soba noodles and tea) to India (kuttu ki puri: buckwheat bread) to France (galettes or buckwheat crepes).

But it's probably the Eastern Europeans and Russians who fell hardest for buckwheat, becoming the world's largest growers, and using the toasted form (kasha) in everything from porridge and stuffed cabbage to a Jewish comfort food dish, kasha varnishekes (toasted buckwheat, schmaltz-soaked caramelized onions and bow-tie pasta).

These days, buckwheat is gaining new fans in the gluten-free community. Despite the word "wheat" in its name, buckwheat is actually a seed, not a grain. Hence, you'll find buckwheat in everything from gluten-free beer to noodles, even whiskey!

And I love it as a change from the usual grains in my pantry. Kasha cooks up in just about 10 minutes. Tossed with butter, it easily accompanies nearly anything you might be serving for dinner. It also makes a great bowl with leftover vegetables, some quick pickled cucumbers, an egg and some hot sauce.

Take it from a gardener: Keep composting simple

By Lee Reich
Associated Press



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No special activators other than the element of time are needed to turn "garbage" into rich, brown compost in New Paltz, N.Y.

Look on the shelves of almost any store or in any catalog selling plants and gardening equipment and you'll find "compost activators" offered. These mixtures contain beneficial microorganisms, nutrients, and/or more esoteric substances meant to speed composting or improve the quality of the finished compost.

Despite the beneficial organisms and nutrients they contain, however, compost activators are generally neither needed nor cost-effective. If you could take a microscope to the pea vines, old delphinium stalks and lettuce plants tossed onto a compost pile, you'd see they are already seething with microorganisms, just what's needed to get decomposition underway. As raw materials are piled together, these microorganisms get to work and rapidly multiply, as long as they also have sufficient moisture and air.

What does a compost pile need?

Composting microorganisms are most hungry for the elements carbon and nitrogen, the ideal being a ratio of about 15 parts carbon to 1 part of nitrogen. (This need is analogous to our own caloric needs mostly for carbohydrates, which are high in carbon, and protein, which is high in nitrogen.)

Carbon as a compost food comes from bulky, old plant material, such as straw, hay, autumn leaves, wood chips, and old weeds and garden plants. It would be impossible to stuff suitable quantities of any of these materials in a box of "compost activator."

Nitrogen could be squeezed into a box but could also be added by sprinkling nitrogen fertilizer or layers of manure on the pile as it grows. Young, succulent weeds and garden plants (such as thinnings of excess carrot seedlings) and kitchen scraps are also high in nitrogen. Sprinkling the contents of a box of compost activator on a compost pile is an expensive way to supply nitrogen, and brings no special benefits beyond what the above-mentioned materials would bring.

No need to get too exacting about ratios of nitrogen and carbon because they are influenced by such things as the form of the nutrients and the particle sizes of the materials that carry them.

Keep tabs on progress

Monitor the progress and health of your compost pile with your eyes and your nose — your eyes preferably on a thermometer. As long as the materials are moist, a pile that doesn't heat up indicates insufficient nitrogen or excess carbon. A pile that smells bad signals the opposite. Either condition can be corrected by adding the needed nitrogen or carbon materials.

Or by giving it time. A pile deficient in nitrogen, or built slowly over a long period, may never get hot but, in time, will turn to rich, brown compost. Be patient.

The only compost piles that might be candidates for compost activators would be those oddball piles built almost exclusively of offbeat materials, such as sawdust, or with a lot of plant debris that had been heavily sprayed with pesticides. Such piles could lack the necessary organisms, temporarily at least (sawdust alone is severely deficient in nitrogen). Even then, some soil and fertilizer would likely serve just as well.

So pay attention to the ratio of the various things you add to your compost pile, and then watch and smell what happens. Whatever you do, don't fret too much over details. Any pile of organic materials, kept moist, will eventually turn to compost.



Gold Star Esperanza

Re-Leaf by Debbie Frost

The heat of August can be oppressive to all living things, but some handle it better than others. Take Yellow Bells, for instance, they thrive in the in this summer heat.

A common name for Yellow Bells is Esperanza, which is Spanish for "hope." Isn't that appropriate for this colorful, vigorous plant that defies the overbearing heat of summer?

Yellow Bells (Tecoma stans) is a subtropical shrub that blooms on current seasons' growth at the tips of the bright, green leafy branches. It has two-inch long, tubular, bright yellow flowers that catch the attention of the least observant. Plants grow from 3- to 6-feet tall and wide with an upright flaring growth habit. Yellow Bells thrive in full sun and well-drained soil. The hotter and sunnier, the better.

There are actually two types of Yellow Bells native to Texas. The main differences have to do with winter hardiness and flower and foliage size. The tropical form, Tecoma stans, is winter hardy to USDA Zone 8b with its larger flowers and leaves. Gold Star Esparanza was selected from this form and it is a beautifully preforming plant, but not dependably winter hardy in our area. It also needs a little more water and nitrogen to keep it looking its best.

The Trans-Pecos form, commonly called Narrow Leaf Yellow Bells (Tecoma stans angustata), generally survives our winters, has great heat and drought tolerance and still delivers killer color in the heat of summer. Yellow Bells acts like a root hardy perennial in our area, so it can be cut down to the ground in February and will send out new growth in mid to late spring. Narrow Leaf Yellow Bells is a little harder to find, but is definitely worth the search.

Yellow Bells produces a long seed pod after flowering from which new plants can be propagated from these seeds, but seed pods also suppress more flowering. Keep plants blooming longer by deadheading them and a 3-4" layer of mulch is always a good idea for conserving soil moisture.

If you choose the more tender forms of Yellow Bells such as the Texas Superstar, Gold Star Esparanza, plant in a hot sunny spot surrounded by brick, cement, asphalt or other heat absorbing surfaces. Or try planting in granite or surrounding the plant base in flagstone to create a Zone 8b microclimate for overwintering the specimen.

Even if you grow Yellow Bells as an annual, you will be pleased with the summer color they deliver.

Find August re-leaf with Yellow Bells.

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Narrow Leaf Yellow Bells

Isolating tree, applying collar to trunk will help protect peaches from squirrels

Neil Sperry



Neil Sperry can be heard on radio stations across the state. Email him at mailbag@sperrygardens.com.

Dear Neil: Squirrels got all of our peaches this summer. What can I do in future years to keep them away?

Answer: That's no small challenge. Your best bet will be to make sure the tree is isolated, that is, not touching any other trees. Trim the lowest branches up high enough that squirrels can't reach them to climb. Have a sheet metal shop cut and crimp a "collar" that is almost as tall as the lowest limb is from the ground, then wrap it loosely around the trunk while the tree has fruit. You can probably hold it temporarily in a cylinder form using duct tape. Remove it and store it away once harvest is finished.

Dear Neil: We have had a bois d'arc tree cut down and ground out, but we are still getting sprouts. I'd like to plant grass in the area, and our son-in-law has offered to bring in a front-end loader to dig out the remaining parts of the stump, also to bring in new topsoil. Will we continue to have sprouts?

Answer: Yes, likely. Short of digging out the roots that are producing them, about the only other option is to apply a broadleafed weedkiller spray. I've had them come up in my yard, and one or two years of mowing did eventually get rid of them.

Dear Neil: I want to plant two new trees, but I don't want anything that is messy like sweet gum balls, acorns or pecans. I've lost Japanese maples and dogwoods. I'm considering planting another type of maple. What would you suggest?

Answer: You might consider a cedar elm. Their leaves are small, and they disintegrate quickly after they fall. Their seeds are also small. While they may come up in beds, they are easily discouraged by using a layer of mulch. Don't rule oaks out just because they produce acorns, however. That only happens to any large degree once every few years, and the trees are very dependable otherwise.

Dear Neil: How can I tell the difference between black spot and rose rosette disease on our roses? My roses aren't doing well, and they are producing far fewer flowers.

Answer: Black spot causes large brown patches on the leaves, usually surrounded by yellow haloes. It causes the plants to shed many of their leaves. Rose rosette, by comparison, stunts the plants badly. Stems may be extremely thorny, and growth is very erratic. Some of the stalks initially will be very strong "bull canes." Flowers will fail to open, and within a few months the plants will be mostly brown. This disease is spread by a microscopic wind-borne mite, and it has become horrific in big parts of Texas. Black spot weakens the plants, but fungicides will usually help alleviate it.

Dear Neil: I have two Japanese aralias (fatsias) in my front flowerbed. They were shaded by a huge oak tree, but unfortunately, we had to have the oak taken out. Now the aralias are looking terrible. Will they gradually acclimate, or should I move them? If so, when?

Answer: Fatsias are actually closely related to English ivy, and like their cousin, they must have shade. I would suggest mowing them late this coming winter. Hopefully they can survive until then.

Dear Neil: This is our 20-year-old Shumard red oak. Its leaves have been turning brown, then falling off. Could this be oak wilt?

Answer: Perhaps. You need to contact a certified arborist immediately. If you don't know one already, talk to your local independent retail garden center operator for a referral, or call your local county Extension office. There is more information at texasoakwilt.org.

Dear Neil: How can I keep my crape myrtles blooming all summer? I see some that look terrific, but others that fade quickly.

Answer: Relative to the ones you describe as "terrific," it's possible you're seeing a different batch every week or two. Any given round of crape myrtle blooms will last 10 to 14 days, at which point the petals will be shed. If the plants are left to grow on their own without being topped in the winter (never a good plan), it's nothing uncommon for them to phase back into bloom two or three more times per summer. Keep them growing vigorously by watering deeply and by applying a high-nitrogen fertilizer.

Dear Neil: How can I kill nutgrass? I have it in my lawn, and sprays haven't done any good.

Answer: The products Image and Sedgehammer are both quite effective, even if they're slow to show results. They enter the nutsedge (not a true grass) through its roots and kill it out gradually. Treatment must be made in the summer, and you must follow the application with a thorough watering.

Dear Neil: My St. Augustine produces seed heads each summer. I do not mow for several weeks during that time, leaving them in place to produce seeds for my lawn. Is there a trick to getting the seeds to sprout?

Answer: I've never seen St. Augustine seeds germinate. Even if they did, you wouldn't want them. You need to propagate St. Augustine by sprigs or sod.

Dear Neil: My vitex tree has deformed leaves, and it only produced five percent of its normal flower count. Could leafhoppers be the cause?

Answer: Perhaps, but it could also be because of a broadleafed weedkiller sprayed nearby or a weed-and-feed fertilizer applied too close to it. It's hard to know how to advise you without seeing it.

DEAR ABBY



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Sharing house with ex-wife is bad news for man's date

DEAR ABBY: I am recently divorced. For financial reasons, as well as to be nice, I have allowed my ex-wife, "Cathy, " and her daughter to live in our home with me and my kids. Cathy has her own bedroom and bathroom.

The subject of my living arrangements came up recently while I was on a date, and the woman immediately freaked out. She angrily informed me that I should have told her my ex-wife was living with me when we started talking. I felt it was something that could wait, at least past the first date. Despite the fact that we were married, Cathy and I are nothing more than roommates now.

When is it too late in a new relationship to divulge this arrangement? — JOHN IN KENTUCKY

DEAR JOHN: You did nothing wrong. It is not unheard of for divorced couples to continue living together for financial reasons or to assist in co-parenting. If you told the woman about your living arrangement before becoming intimate with her, she had no reason to freak out.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 54-year-old woman with three adult children and three grandchildren. I lost my mother 34 years ago, and my baby sister died 20 years ago.

My dad is 84 and lives alone. Although he was a good provider, he was abusive toward my mother and occasionally toward me and my siblings. Dad and my younger brother do not communicate, period. However, my older sister is a daddy's girl.

I have been married three times, and each man was in some way abusive — physically, mentally or both. When I reached out to my dad for help, he would respond by telling me, "You're just like your mother, which is why I can't stand being around you sometimes. I wasn't responsible for her feelings, and I'm not responsible for yours. "

I live in a three-bedroom bungalow and I tried to help relocate Dad closer. He refused, saying, "If I don't hear from you tomorrow or you die, I'll be OK. I was when your mother died and I will be after you. " He has said that and worse to me throughout my life, and I'm afraid to continue contact with him for fear one day his words will break my spirit.

When I have shared this with family, I've been told, "He's all the father you have, " or, "You have to pray for him. " Please help me. I don't want to pray for him — I want to stay far away from him. — CONFLICTED IN OHIO

DEAR CONFLICTED: If you need my permission to move on and have a happy life, you have it, and no one should try to make you feel guilty for your decision. Your father has done enough damage to your soul. You do not have to allow him to hurt or disappoint you again.

Wanting to keep your distance from an abuser is both healthy and understandable. He may be "all the father you have, " but the person you have described is a sorry excuse for a human being and not much of a man. You do not have to pray for him, nor do you have to have anything further to do with him.

Use conflict-solving for maintaining functional family

MARY BIGGS



Centers for Children and Families

Ways to teach children conflict resolution skills

- Help your child to find several possible solutions to the problem.
- Encourage your child to choose one of these solutions.
- Support your child's solution by encouraging them to try the solution they chose.
- Praise your child for thinking the problem through, coming up with several possible solutions and for choosing a way to solve the problem.

Functional families are successful when they do not avoid conflicts but work together to resolve disagreements and conflicts within the family unit. Strong families overcome differences and view these situations as an opportunity to grow together to build stronger family bonds.

It is important for parents to lead the way in providing problem-solving skills for conflict resolution so that the issue does not grow into a battlefield for ongoing anger or a family member withdrawing from the situation. Families that come together to address challenges and disagreements are positive problem solvers and strong families.

Positive decision-making by parents builds strong families. Despite outside obligations, successful parents take the time to teach positive problem solving to their children so the children can learn and practice making good decisions. It is important that parents demonstrate positive problem-solving techniques to help their children gain the ability to think and solve conflicts through choices offered to them. Parents can empower children in decision-making by giving children choices that they must choose from, therefore helping their child to accept responsibility for their own actions. This empowers children to decide for themselves what actions they should take in situations and gives the child the responsibility to problem solve the conflict with the support of their parent. Children who come up with their own solutions to problems and put the solution into successful action are children who are well-adjusted.

When parents always tell their children how they have to do things, they take away the child's self-confidence and self- esteem. Successful parents tell their child that they appreciate their child's thinking and reasoning abilities and assist them in finding solutions to the problem they are facing.

Parents must exercise trust in their children to allow them to grow self-reliance and independence. Parents, who provide guidance, support and encouragement, can feel reasonably confident that their children will grow and learn to make positive choices when they are away from home and away from the family. Remember to maintain a sense of confidence and a sense of humor as you help your child learn and practice problem solving skills.

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Invite young people into the Cecil conversation with books

By Leanne Italie
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The death of Cecil the lion in Zimbabwe at the hands of an American bow hunter continues to generate outrage around the world, but bringing kids into the conversation may require some finesse.

That's where books come in. Many exist to feed the imagination of young readers, teach respect for the majestic beasts and urge them to pitch in and help exotic animals the world over.

Here's a sampling of books for all ages with lion themes or nonfiction facts, figures and photographs.

■ **"Counting Lions"**

Charcoal drawings of 10 endangered animals in an oversize format, with a majestic lion as the cover boy. In addition to simple counting on a level worthy of very young children, text covers the qualities and behavior of each animal, including elephants, giraffes, pandas, turtles and macaws. Creators Katie Cotton and Stephen Walton urge children to care about protection and preservation. Walton's drawings are meticulously lifelike. October release, Candlewick.

■ **"Lafcadio, The Lion Who Shot Back"**

Published in 1963, this was Shel Silverstein's first children's book. A 50th anniversary edition was released in 2013. The fable goes like this: A lion eats a hunter in Africa, taking his gun and becoming a crack shot himself. A circus man names him Lafcadio the Great and brings him to New York City, where he grows more humanlike, dressing in starched collars and fancy suits. Soon, he grows despondent and returns to the jungle to ponder whether he's more man or beast. Anniversary edition, HarperCollins.

■ **"The Lion and the Mouse"**

The African Serengeti comes alive in Jerry Pinkney's nearly wordless retelling of the beloved Aesop fable. The lion spares the mouse from becoming a meal. The mouse returns the deed by freeing the lion from a poacher's trap. Appropriate for children 1 and up. Vivid illustrations in watercolor and colored pencil. Close-ups of the main players are juxtaposed by endpapers showing off vast landscapes. Little, Brown Books for Young Readers.

■ **"The Lion and the Bird"**

A sweet look at friendship, for kids 4 and up, between a lion who finds an injured bird in his garden one autumn day. The bird is left behind by his flock and the lion nurses his damaged wing back to health, only to have him rejoin his flock the following year. Creator Marianne Dubuc makes use of wordless pages to portray the passage of time through the seasons, as the two friends share a meal and sit together by the fire of the lion's cozy cottage. Enchanted Lion Books.

■ **"Face to Face with Lions"**

Part of National Geographic's "Face to Face With Animals" series, this offering is full of detail and close-up photography to satisfy young buffs in classrooms or at home. The book covers diet, life expectancy, reproduction and how prides function. The authors, husband-and-wife team Dereck and Beverly Joubert, urge young readers to help save the vanishing lions of Africa. Intended for kids 7 and up. National Geographic Children's Books.

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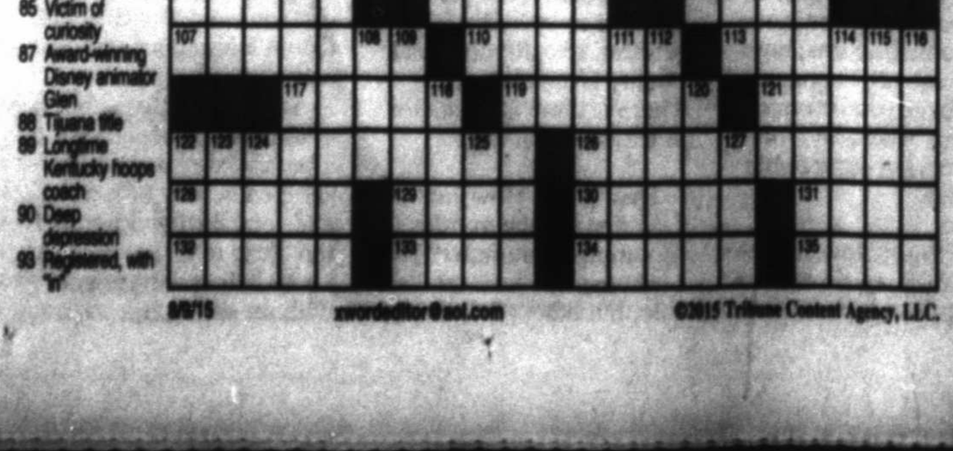
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110 Potpourri pieces
113 Fragrant resin
117 Modern storage area, with "the"
119 Sacred structure
121 Choose to play for pay
122 Snake looking scared?
126 Sales pitch for an Austrian pistol?
128 A lot
129 Wasatch Mountains resort
130 __ shirt
131 Sight from Tacoma
132 Bond player before Dalton
133 Level
134 "Dragonwyck" author
135 Cherished

DOWN

1 Civilian attire
2 Thing to set
3 Thing of the past
4 Ensemble of eight in the score of Villa-Lobos' "Bachianas Brasileiras No. 5"
5 Cabinet dept.
6 Brief times
7 "Expect great things" retailer
8 Perfect
9 Brand that includes Taster's Choice
10 Often-exaggerated tale
11 Calcutta Tech grad on "The Simpsons"
12 Kay of "Rich Man, Poor Man"
13 Belgian painter James
14 Longtime New Yorker cartoonist James
15 Establish a fresh toothold
16 Hankering
17 Key for Sale?
18 Original D&D co.
24 During
26 Dude
29 Granny __
32 Aerial stunt
34 Poor, chance-wise
36 Gals' gathering before the flick?
37 Advent
38 Does some bartending
40 Big blowout
42 The Amish, e.g.
44 Mild smoke
45 Mystery middle name
46 Allergen survey?
48 React to humidity, in a way
49 Close again
50 Ineffectual
51 "Me Talk Pretty One Day" piece
54 Pet parasite treatment
57 Artist's studio
59 Throws wildly, say
61 River of Tuscany
62 Was fairly successful
67 Narrow margin
68 "Summer Nights" musical
70 Weather reporters
72 Tourist attraction
74 Year's record
76 Money-saving, commercially
77 Sorrells
79 "I (Only Had the Nerve)" singer
81 French governing group
83 Fury
84 Speaker's output
86 Islands staple
91 Kids' baseball card deal
92 Matches the scorecard, so to speak
94 A lock may be in one
97 No-nonsense route
98 "Dark side" sci-fi group
99 SWAT team supply
100 Fast races
103 Haggle
106 Took off to learn up
108 Hamlet, to Gertrude
109 Pull with effort
111 De Gaulle's birth city
112 Supercilious sort
114 It will
115 "The Hunger Games" setting
116 Back biter?
118 "Lobster Telephone" artist
120 Lovelorn nymph
122 Iranian pilgrimage site
123 Tabloid pic subject
124 From __ Z
125 Fr. holy woman
127 Leavenworth locale: Abbr.



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BRIDGE

With Bob Jones

As they appear to be

Both vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ K Q 10 8
♡ K 10 7 6
9
♣ J 10 7 4

WEST
♠ J
♡ J
♢ J 10 8 5 4 3
♣ Q 9 8 3 2

EAST
♠ 9 5 4 2
♡ Q 9 4 3 2
♢ K Q 7
♣ K

SOUTH
♠ A 7 6 3
♡ A 8 5
♢ A 6 2
♣ A 6 5

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1NT	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♠	Pass	4♠	All pass

Opening lead: Jack of ♡

There is an old saying in bridge: "More often than not, things are as they appear to be." An opponent will sometimes do something deceptive, but an opponent is usually acting in his own best interests and his actions are straightforward, not deceptive. .

Declarer won the jack of hearts lead with the king in dummy. He led a diamond to the ace, ruffed a diamond in dummy, and then cashed the king of spades, noting the fall of the jack. West appeared to be short in both majors, and South played him to be exactly that.

Declarer led the 10 of hearts from the dummy to the queen and ace and ruffed another diamond before leading the six of hearts to East's nine. East shifted to the king of clubs, won by South with the ace. Dummy was re-entered with a spade to the queen and the established seven of hearts was cashed, shedding a club from declarer's hand. Dummy exited with a club. East discarded his last heart as West won the trick, but in the two-card ending, South sat with the ace-seven of trumps over East's nine-five and took the last two tricks. Declarer emerged with eleven tricks on a deal that would see many fail to take 10. Well played!

ASTROLOGY STARS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Aug. 9, 2015:

This year you see at least one of your long-term desires become a reality. Understand what is happening within your immediate circle.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You make a point of explaining recent events in a way that others can identify with. You bring good news wherever you go.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ You could make a difference when dealing with a friend who can be extremely flaky. Your caring seems to reach this person.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ You flourish in nearly every way possible, at the moment. Communication seems to carry a wealth of information.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ Take your time, and don't allow others to even think of pushing you. You need to establish stronger boundaries.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Zero in on what you want to accomplish. Make sure you do what you want right now, as today could set the tone for the next several days.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ You seem to draw in much more of what you want. Initiate a long-overdue chat with a friend that you have been putting off.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Your mind seems to drift to different vistas and people. You could discover that your feelings toward a new friend have become quite intense.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ You like one-on-one relating. Today is the perfect day to isolate the apple of your eye and initiate a long-overdue conversation. Try not to be distracted by others.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ Listen to what others are sharing. If you decide to put in your two cents, hope that you will be heard. Others seem a bit self-involved. Feel free to go off on your own.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ You could be very preoccupied with thinking of someone you care about. You might be too concerned or obsessed with a certain matter. Clear your mind.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ You finally have the time you desire with a loved one. The unexpected will mark your communication, so be ready.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Tension builds because of your expectations. You might not realize how critical you are of your actions and thoughts. Be more aware of this tendency to self-doubt.

BORN TODAY

Singer Whitney Houston (1963), actress Jessica Capshaw (1976), actress Melanie Griffith (1957)

ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE

M	A	R	C		A	S	K	I	N		S	A	L	E
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52 FACES OF COMMUNITY

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SUNDAY MORNING — AUGUST 9, 2015

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	6 AM	6:30	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30
KMID ABC	In Touch Ministries		GMA/Sunday		The Truth	House	J.Jones -	She Wore		Church	Paid	Paid
KOSA CBS	Paid	Hunt	Paid	M. Lyon	CBS Sunday Morning			Facelift	First Baptist Church		First Baptist Odessa	
KWWT CW	5 14	5 14	Abbott	Abbott	Backstrom	Gilligan	Gilligan	Seve Bell	Seve Bell	Seve Bell	Brady8.	Brady8.
KPEJ FOX	8 5	5 8	Consume	W.Minist	Insight	Consum	Fox News Sunday		Odessa	Faithlive	Rein	Consum	Consum	Consum
KMLM IND	11 12	12 11	Walking	Stringer	In Touch Ministries		Zion	Day Disc.	R/Manusc	HaYesod	Nueva Vida	
KWES NBC	9 9	9 9	Morning	Secrets	Meet the Press		Dateline	Sunday	Meet the Press (N)		First Baptist Church	W.America	Paid	
KPBT PBS	13 13	13 8	C.Conspr	C.Conspr	W.World	D.Tiger	Sesame	DinoTrain	Dino Train	Peg + Cat	Cat! Hat	Odd Squ	Wild K.	Arthur
KUPB UNI	4 4	4 16	Pasado	Pasado	Programa popular		Purmimodo mi jefe		Al punto		Tres Is Verdad		Fútbol Central	
KOSA MNT	16 16	16	JTV	JTV Direct	Syncro	Hermosas	Green	Hazelton	O.House	Home!	Bucket	Trobador	Paid	Paid
FLIX	340 575	165										
HBO	300 550	14 14	(5:00)	Scooby-Doo	(10)			(45) Back on Board			(5:15)	Man of the ...
HBO2	302 551	15 101	23 (5:00)	Dolphin Tale	(55)			(40)			(20)	Horrible Bosses 2
HBO3	304 552	16 102	(5:30)	Your Highness	(5:30)			(15) True Detective			(20) Last Week	
MAX	380 557	17 120	24 (5:00)	Somewhere	(10)			(15) The Secret Life of Walt...				
MAX2	382 558	18 122	(5:25)	Chasing Ice	(20)			(5:55) Smudge Match Schemer Stars				
PLEX		96		Movie								
SHOW	320 565	19 140	25 (10)									
TMC	336 573	22 155	26 (5:00)									
ABE	27 58	28 35	47	Dog Bounty Hunter	Dog Bounty Hunter	Dog Bounty Hunter	Dog Bounty Hunter	Behind Bars: Rookie	Beyond Scared Stra.			
AMC	40 74	23 42	51 (5:00)	Dead	(:55)	Walking Dead						
BET	58 -	40	(5:00)	BET Inspiration								
BRAVO	65 76	41		Wedding	Wedding	Wedding	Wedding	Tardy for Wedding	8Dec8 (N)	Real Housewives	Real Housewives	
CNBC	46 52	39 72		Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
CNN	43 50	51 30	56	New Day Sunday		New Day	Politics	State of the Union	Fareed Zakaria GPS	Reliable Sources	State of the Union	
DISC	50 60	31 24	42	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Treasure Quest		Treasure Quest	Epic Yachts	Ultimate Homes
DISNEY	56 64	36 25	36	Stuffins	Sofia 1st	M.Mouse	Miles	Star Wars		Despicable Me	Friends	(:50) Dog With a Blog	DogBlog
ESPN	32 35	48 31	30	SportsCenter		SportsCenter		OLines	Report (N)	SportsCenter		Softball
ESPN2	34 36	49 32	31 (5:00)	30 for 30		World of X Games		SportsCenter		OLines	Report	Rookie	30 for 30	Rookie
FAMILY	53 63	34 42	33									
FNC	45 48	53 23	55 (5:00)	FOX & Friends Sunday					Morning Futures		Media Buzz	News HQ	Housecall
FOOD	64 70	27 68	54	Rachel Ray's Week in		Barefoot	Giada	Pioneer	Southern	Barefoot Contessa	Giada (N)	Daphne	Heart	Southern
FSSW	37 38	50 45	29	Outdoors	Paid	18 Holes	Swing	Paid	Paid	Training	Golf Life	The Current	Game365	Polaris
FX	31 56	59 64	69	Buffy Vampire Slayer		M&M	M&M	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother			
HALLMARK	54 71	58 34		Lucy	I Love Lucy	Middle	Middle	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls			
HGTV	63 69	26 48	44	FlexFlip	FlexFlip	FlexFlip	FlexFlip	FlexFlip	FlexFlip	FlexFlip	FlexFlip	FlexFlip	FlexFlip	Free Vacation (N)
HISTORY	71 59	29 50	43	The Woodsmen		The Woodsmen								Vietnam in HD
LIFETIME	28 30	25 28	48	In Touch Ministries		Amazing	David Jer.	J.Osteen	Paid		Bring It!		Atlanta Plastic	Atlanta Plastic
MSNBC	47 53	49 73		LeeLou	Business	Up With Steve Kornacki					Melissa Harris-Perry			Weekends-Alex Witt
NBCSN	38 43			MatchDay	League Live (L)		EPL Soccer	West Ham United at Arsenal (L)		Bridge	EPL Soccer Liverpool at Stoke City (L)			
NICK	55 -	39 34	37	Parents	Parents	Dino	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Ninja (N)	Pig Goat	Sponge	Parents
SPIKE	30 -	55 53	58	Paid Program		Paid Program		Power	Power	Power	Power		Bar Rescue	Bar Rescue
SYFY	66 82	41 57	67	(5:00)	Paid Program	Reactor		Sharktopus vs. Whalezilla			Picanhaconda (12, Sci-Fi)	Michael Madsen		Movie
TBS	25 33	44 66	41	Married	Married	Married	Friends	Friends		Ghosts of Girlfriends Past			Definitely, Maybe	
TCM	41 75	24 63	66	(5:00)	Bataan		Vengeance Valley		(:45)	The Skipper Surprised His Wife			Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo	
TELE	20 -	10 20		Pagado	Pagado	Raggs	Noodle	De chica	LazyTown	Pagado	Pagado	EPL Fútbol Liverpool at Stoke City (L)		
TLC	51 61	32 38	52	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	I Am Jazz
TNT	24 34	40 26	50	Law&O.	"Misbegotten"	Law&O.	"Bottomless"	Law&Order	"Driven"	Law & Order		Law&O.	"Quit Claim"	Law & Order	"Illegal"
TVLAND	49 -	35 54	35 (:10)	Chris	(:50) G. Girls	(:25) The Golden Girls		G. Girls	(:20) G.Girls	(:50) G.Girls	(:50) G.Girls	(:25) The Golden Girls		G. Girls	G. Girls
USA	26 55	42 27	49	Paid Program		Paid Program		Graceland		Complications		Suits "Hitting Home"		Mr. Robot	
WGN	19 85			Lord	Creflo	Key David	Paid	Law&O.	"Good Girl"	LawOrder	"Survivor"	In Heat of Night		In Heat of Night	

SUNDAY AFTERNOON — AUGUST 9, 2015

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	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	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	News	Paid
KOSA CBS	7 7	7 7	7	PGA Championship		PGA Golf Bridgestone Invitational Site: Firestone Country Club -- Akron, Ohio (L)						FaceNat.	News
KWWT CW	5 14	5 14		Brady8.	Brady8.	The Love Boat		Remington Steele		St. Frisco "Deadline"	The Mod Squad		Hawaii Five-O	
KPEJ FOX	8 5	5 8	3	To Be Announced					To Be Announced			Consumr	Consumr
KMLM IND	11 12	12 11	11	S. Baras	Mani Erfan	Biblical	Sal.	Light of the Southwest		Best of Week	J.McGee	Dollars	House	Dr. R.B.
KWES NBC	9 9	9 9	9	Paid	USA Swimming (N)		Swimming	World Championship		AVP Volleyball			Inside Ed.	News
KPBT PBS	13 13	13	8	Cyberch.	Maya&M.	Sit Fit	W.L.Yoga	Knitting	Reads	Sewing	Africa	Family	Global	News. (N)	Ireland
KUPB UNI	4 4	4	16	MFL Fútbol Monarcas Morelia vs. Toluca (L)				Republica deportiva		Rosa Guadalupe		Como dice el dicho		Nacional	Noticiero
KOSA MNT	16 16	16		Paid	Paid	Green	Homes	CARS.TV	AmAthlete	Entertainers		Flipside	Insider	Access Hollywood	
FLIX	340 575	165										
HBO	300 550	14 14										
HBO2	302 551	15 101	23									
HBO3	304 552	16 102										
MAX	380 557	17 120	24									
MAX2	382 558	18 122										
PLEX		96										
SHOW	320 565	19 140	25									
TMC	336 573	22 155	26									
ABE	27 58	28 35	47	Beyond Scared Stra.		Beyond Scared Stra.		The First 48		The First 48		First 48 "Blood Feud"		Intervention	
AMC	40 74	23 42	51	Dead	(:45) Dead "Home"		(:45) Dead	(:55) Dead	"Clear"	(:55) The Walking Dead			(:55) Dead "Prey"	
BET	58 -	40		(:55)	Johnson Family Vacation	Cedric the Entertainer									
BRAVO	65 76	41		The Real Housewives		Manzo'd	Manzo'd	Manzo'd	Manzo'd	Married to Medicine		Married to Medicine		Married to Medicine	
CNBC	46 52	39 72		Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
CNN	43 50	51 30	56	Fareed Zakaria GPS		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
DISC	50 60	31 24	42	Ultimate Homes		Homes "Tiny Houses"		Homes "Escapes"		Naked and Afraid		Naked and Afraid		Naked and Afraid XL	
DISNEY	56 64	36 25	36	Dog Blog	Jessie	Jessie	Jessie	I Didn't	I Didn't	I Didn't	Girl	Girl	Girl	KC Under	KC Under
ESPN	32 35	48 31	30	(11:00)	Softball	WNBA Basketball	Phoenix vs Chicago (L)			MLS Soccer Seattle vs Los Angeles (L)				SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34 36	49 32	31	Poker 2014 World Series				Streetball City Slam		Streetball City Slam		WTA Tennis Bank of the West Classic (L)			
FAMILY	53 63	34 42	33												
FNC	45 48	53 23	55	America's News HQ		Fox News Sunday		Journal E.	Housecall	America's News HQ		Media Buzz		Fox News Sunday	
FOOD	64 70	27 68	54	Kitchen "Brunch It Up"		Diners...	Diners...	Cutthroat Kitchen		Cutthroat Kitchen		Cutthroat Kitchen		Food Star "Live TV"	
FSSW	37 38	50 45	29	Lunch Rangers (N)		Sooners	Bears	Insider	Pre-game	MLB Baseball Texas Rangers at Seattle Mariners Site: Safeco Field (L)					
FX	31 56	59 64	69												
HALLMARK	54 71	58 34		The Makeover (13, Fol) Julie Stiles.				When Sparks Fly Meghan Markle.				Lucky in Love (14, Dra) Jessica Szohr.			
HGTV	63 69	26 48	44	Island	Island	Island	Island	Island	Island	Island	Island	Island	Island	Island	Island
HISTORY	71 59	29 50	43	(11:00)	Vietnam in HD		Vietnam in HD			American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers	
LIFETIME	28 30	25 28	48	Fatal Acquittal (2014, Thriller)				Dark Desire (12, Dra) Michael Nouri.				I Killed My BFF (15, Thril) Katrina Bowden.			
MSNBC	47 53	49 73		(11:00)	Alex Witt	Meet the Press		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera	
NBCSN	38 43			GoalZone	Count.	NASCAR Auto Racing		Cheez-It 355 Site: Watkins Glen International (L)				Post-Race	/Drive	Mecum "Houston"	
NICK	55 -	39 34	37	Parents	Parents	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Thunder	Nicky	One Crazy Cruise	
SPIKE	30 -	55 53	58	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Res. "Big Bite"	
SYFY	66 82	41 57	67	(11:00)	Piranha 3DD	(1:35)	Shark Night 3D (13, Hor) Sara Reid.			Sharknado 2: The Second One				Sharknado 3: O...	
TBS	25 33	44 66	41	Friends	Friends	MLB Baseball San Francisco Giants at Chicago Cubs (L)						Friends	Friends	The 40-Year-Ol...	
TCM	41 75	24 63	66	(11:30)	Thirty Seco...		Her Highness and the Bellboy					Song of Love	Catherine Hepburn	The Clock	
TELE	20 -	10 20		Deportivo	Enfoque	Corazón valiente ('05, Act) Brian Cox, Mel Gibson.						Noticiero	Videos	Reparatodas	
TLC	51 61	32 38	52	I Am Jazz	I Am Jazz	I Am Jazz	I Am Jazz	I Am Jazz	I Am Jazz	Marry	Marry	Marry	Marry	Marry	Marry
TNT	24 34	40 26	50	Law&O.	"Executioner"		John Carter (12, Act) Taylor Kitsch.					Cowtowns and Aliens (11) Daniel Craig.			
TVLAND	49 -	35 54	35	G. Girls	G. Girls	Christine	Christine	Christine	Christine	Christine	Christine	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba
USA	26 55	42 27	49	SVU	"Closure, Part I"	SVU	"Legacy"	SVU	"Silence"	SVU	"Tortured"	SVU	"Poison"	SVU	"Conscience"
WGN	19 85			In Heat of Night		In Heat of Night		SVU	"Sacrifice"	SVU	"Solace"	SVU	"Shadow"	SVU	"Betrayal"

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KMID ABC	3 3	4 3	2	America's Funniest Home Videos		Bachelor in Paradise (N)			Castle "Resurrection" 1/2 cont'd Aug 16		KMID News	(:35) Monopoly Millionaires' Club	(:35)	W. Collar
KOSA CBS	7 7	7 7	7	60 Minutes		Big Brother		Madam Secretary "Chains of Command"	CSI: Cyber "URL Interrupted"		CBS 7 News	(:35) The Wire	(:05)	The Good Wife
KWWT CW	5 14	5 14		Rick Sheep Squadron "Love and War"		Columbo "Now You See Him" associate.		Illusionist kills	Man U.N.C.L.E. "The Waverly Ring Affair"		Mission: Impossible "The Freeze"		Get Smart	Get Smart
KPEJ FOX	8 5	5 8	3	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	The Simpsons	Brooklyn "AC/DC"	Family Guy	Last Man on Earth	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Modern Family	Modern Family	Cleveland	Fam. Guy	Consum-er Corner
KMLM IND	11 12	12 11	11	Shepherd's Heart		Walking Us	All About	Light of the Southwest				Zola Levitt	Update. News	Day of Discovery	Sense	Dollars &
KWES NBC	9 9	9 9	9	Robinson "Pilot"	Mr. Robinson	NFL Football Hall of Fame Pittsburgh Steelers at Minnesota Vikings Site: TCF Bank Stadium -- Minneapolis, Minn. (L)						Nightly-ut 9 at 10	Country Reporter	Mission Impossible	Whacked Out	
KPBT PBS	13 13		13	8	Globo Trekker "Eastern Canada"	Secrets of the Tower of London		The Making of a Lady		Vicious		Theater On Stage	Talk	Front and Center	"Richard Thompson"	
KUPB UNI	4 4		4	16	Aquí y Ahora		Gran Estreno "Rudo y Cursi"				Sal y pimienta	Familia P. Luche	Noticiero Univision	República deportiva		
KOSA MNT	16 16		16		Ent. Tonight		Castle		Scandal		The Closer		Anger M.	MBM	Office	NamoG.
FLIX	340 575	165										
HBO	300 550	14 14										
HBO2	302 551	15 101	23									
HBO3	304 552	16 102										
MAX	380 557	17 120	24									
MAX2	382 558	18 122										
PLEX		96										
SHOW	320 565	19 140	25									
TMC	336 573	22 155	26									
ABE	27 58	28 35	47	Dog Bounty Hunter		Dog Bounty Hunter		Dog Bounty Hunter		Dog Bounty Hunter	Behind Bars: Rookie		Beyond Scared Stra.	
AMC	40 74	23 42	51	(5:55)	Walking Dead									
BET	58 -	40		(5:00)	BET Inspiration									
BRAVO	65 76	41		Married to Medicine		Bravo First Looks (N)		Married Medicine (N)		Mother Funders (N)	Watch (N)	Married to Medicine (N)		Wives	
CNBC	46 52	39 72		Money	Blue Collar	Blue		Blue		Blue	Wall Texas		American Greed		American Greed	
CNN	43 50	51 30	56	CNN Special Report		The Hunt		The Hunt (N)		Death Row (N)		The Hunt		The Hunt	
DISC	50 60	31 24	42	Naked and Afraid XL		Naked and Afraid XL		Naked and Afraid (N)		Naked and Afraid XL (N)		Treasure Quest		Naked and Afraid XL	
DISNEY	56 64	36 25	36	KC Under	Bunk'd	KC Under	Friends	Austin (N)	Sel!OR	Girl	Dog Blog	KC Under	Friends	Austin	GoodLuck	
ESPN	32 35	48 31	30	Baseball Tonight		MLB Baseball Los Angeles Dodgers at Pittsburgh Pirates (L)						SportsCenter			Sportsc.	
ESPN2	34 36	49 32	31	SportsCenter		Arm Wrestling		NHRA Drag Racing		Northwest Nationals Site: Pacific Raceways				ESPN FC		
FAMILY	53 63	34 42	33													
FNC	45 48	53 23	55	FOX Report Sunday		Legends & Lies		Stossel		Greg Gutfeld Show		Legends & Lies		Stossel		
FOOD	64 70	27 68	54	Guy's Grocery Games		Guy's Game (N)		Food Star (N)		Cutthroat Kitchen		Cutthroat Kitchen		Food Network Star		
FSSW	37 38	50 45	29	Rangers	Headon	MLB Baseball Texas Rangers at Seattle Mariners Site: Safeco Field						CB Camp	School (N)	WPI Poker		
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ArtQuest Studios "A Look Through Time" by Diane K. Browne through Aug. 28. Reserved Studio Time is $35 per month. 700 Andrews Highway. 664-3197. www.dkbrowne.com. www.artquestx.com.

Blakemore Planetarium's permanent exhibits are open 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Closed Sunday and Monday. Sky shows throughout the week.1705 W. Missouri Ave. 683-2882.

The Ellen Noel Art Museum "Mediterranes: American Art from the Graham D. Williford Collection" through Aug. 23. Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free. noelartmuseum.org. 550-9696.

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum. "Permian Monsters: Life Before the Dinosaurs" through Aug. 21. Permanent exhibits include "My Town," "Beach Babies" and "Touch of Sound." Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m., Admission charged. 1705 W. Missouri Ave., 683-2882.

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Haley Library and History Center. Hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Free. 1805 W. Indiana Ave. 682-5785

Kamiposi Gallery. 510 S. Big Spring St. 230-0256. Facebook.com/kamiposi.

McCormick Gallery at Midland College. Texas Photographic Society International Competition exhibit through Aug. 13. 3600 N. Garfield St. midland.edu.

Midland Arts Association presents work by Sean Patty in the Community National Bank lobby, 401 W. Texas Ave., during August.

Midland County Historical Museum's permanent exhibits include artifacts from the Scharbauer Hotel, Midland school memorabilia, the door from the Pliska Blacksmith shop containing many historic brands and First National and Midland National bank items. Archives include photographs, documents, newspapers and extensive obituary files. 301 W. Missouri Ave. 2-5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Free. 688-8947.

Midland County Historical Society's Z. Taylor Brown-Sara Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland. Open by appointment. 213 N. Weatherford St., 682-5447.

Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. "Permian Monsters: Life Before the Dinosaurs" through Aug. 21. co.midland.tx.us. midlandcountypubliclibraryfoundation.org.

Midland Shared Spaces Gallery Summer Exhibit with featured artists from ArtQuest, Artizen Outlet, Midland Arts Association and Palette Club of Midland through Sept. 10. 685-0400. sharedspaces.org.

Museum of the Southwest. Turner Memorial Art Gallery closed for renovations through 2015. MSW Sculpture Park has 14 sculptures on display. Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. $5 adults, $3 children. 1705 W. Missouri Ave., 683-2882. museumsw.org.

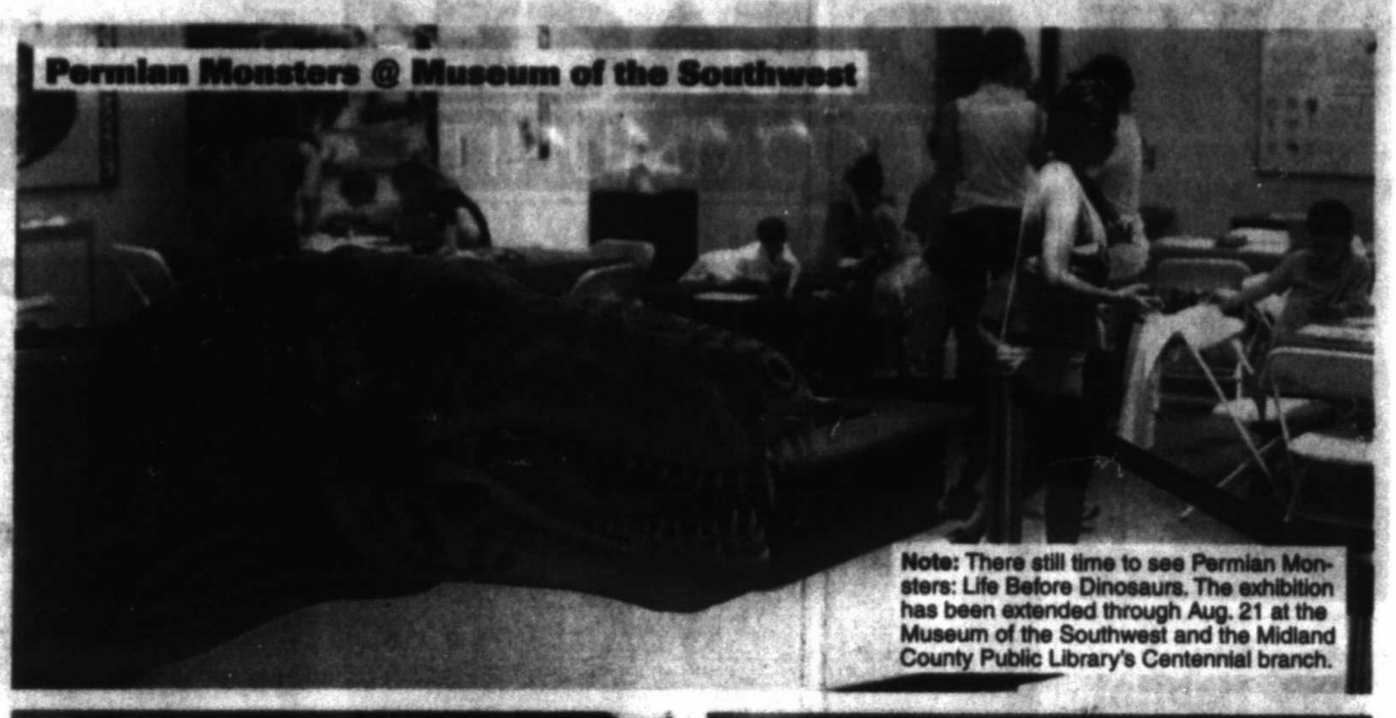
Nancy Fyfe Cardozier Gallery, UTPB. Free and open to the public. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 2-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Options Gallery, Odessa College, 201 W. University Blvd. Free. 335-6640.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, Library and Hall of Fame is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 2-5 p.m. Sunday. 1500 Interstate 20 West, 683-4403.

Scarborough-Linebery House is open by appointment and available for rental for weddings and other special occasions. 802 S. Main St. 685-7368.

Sibley Nature Center, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday. 1307 E. Wadley Ave. 684-6827. sibleynaturecenter.org.







CALENDAR

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TODAY

Christian Rave featuring V.Rose, SPEC and A Life Set Apart at Old Miner's Maze. oldminersmaze.com.

TUESDAY

"Love It, Hang It, Skate It" through today. RTD Skatepark at Rock the Desert grounds. rtdskatepark.com.

Whitesnake, The Dead Daisies, 8 p.m. at the Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

Midland Community Band's weekly meeting from 7-9 p.m. at Midland College Fine Arts Building Band Hall. 260-7136.

Permian Basin Dance Club with live country-western band, 7:30-10 p.m. at St. Stephen's Catholic Church ballroom, 4601 Neely Ave. 520-4343.

"Nature Notes" on Marfa Public Radio Tuesdays -Thursdays at 8:35 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. KXWT-Midland/Odessa-91.3 FM.

Palette Club Painting meeting and demos, 9 a.m.-noon, at the Palette Club. Open to the public. paletteclubmidland.com.

WEDNESDAY

Story Time, 9:30 a.m. for ages up to 2 years; 10:30 a.m. for ages 2-6 at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch.

THURSDAY

Improv at the Yucca, 8 p.m. at the Yucca Theatre. mctmidland.org.

Bri Bagwell, 7:30-10 p.m. at Basin Burger House. basinburgerhouse.com.

West Texas Dance Club with live country music, 7:30-10 p.m. at 301 E. 61st St. in Odessa. 697-0281 or 631-6125.

FRIDAY

Splash into Science class, 9 a.m.-noon at Petroleum Museum for 2nd-4th grades, $20-$25. Pre-registration required. petroleummuseum.org.

Summer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon for ages 5-7, 2-5 p.m. for ages 8-12 at Sibley Nature Center. 432-684-6827. sibleynaturecenter.org.

Summer Mummers "Masked Mummers in Midtropolis ... or No News is Good News" Fridays and Saturdays through Sept. 5 at the Yucca Theatre. summermummers.com.

SATURDAY

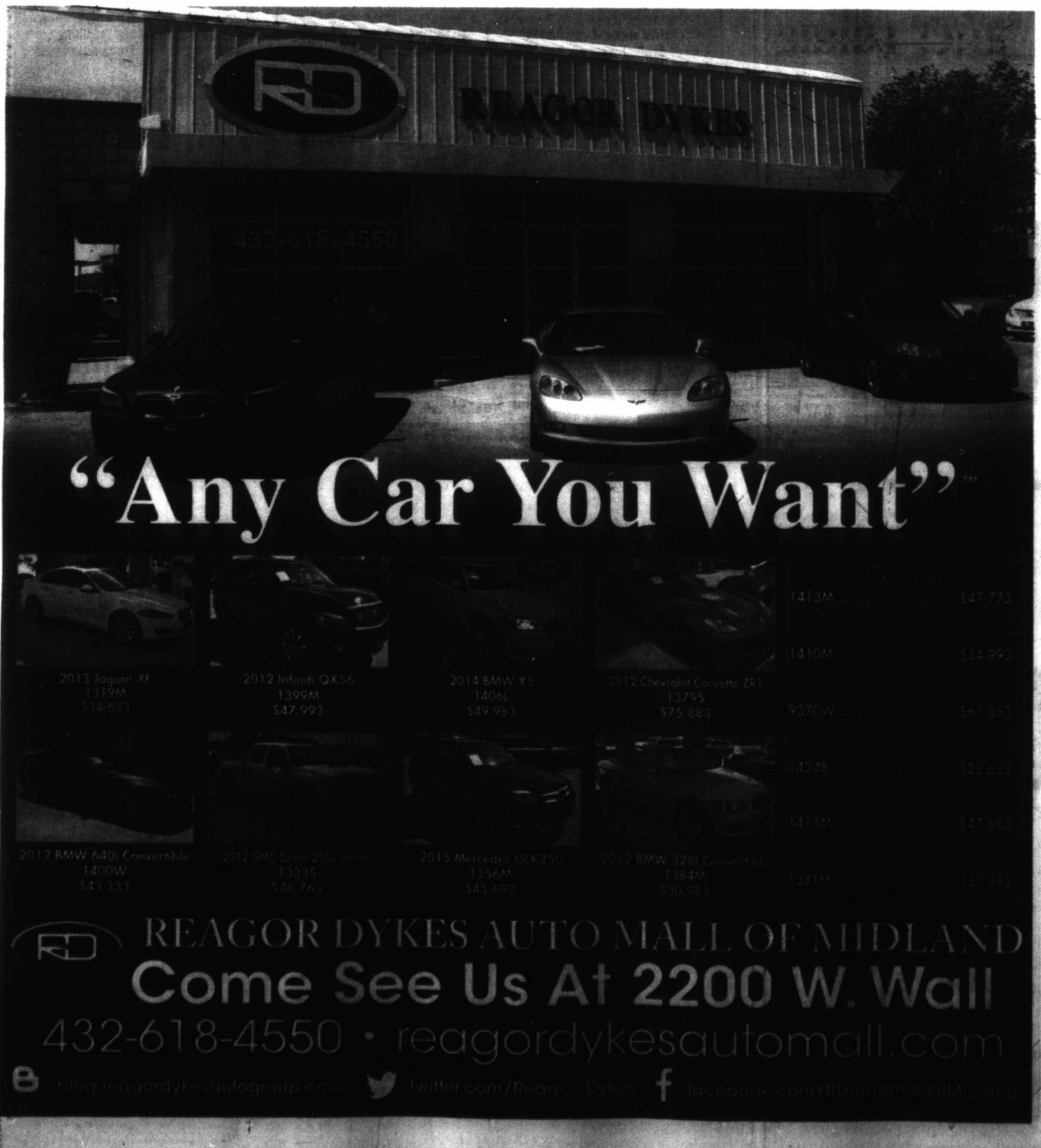
Midland Downtown Farmers Market, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Museum of the Southwest. midlanddowntownfarmersmarket.com.

Tall City Treasure Market presented by Lee High School cheerleaders and booster club, 11:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. at Midland Center. 661-7527.

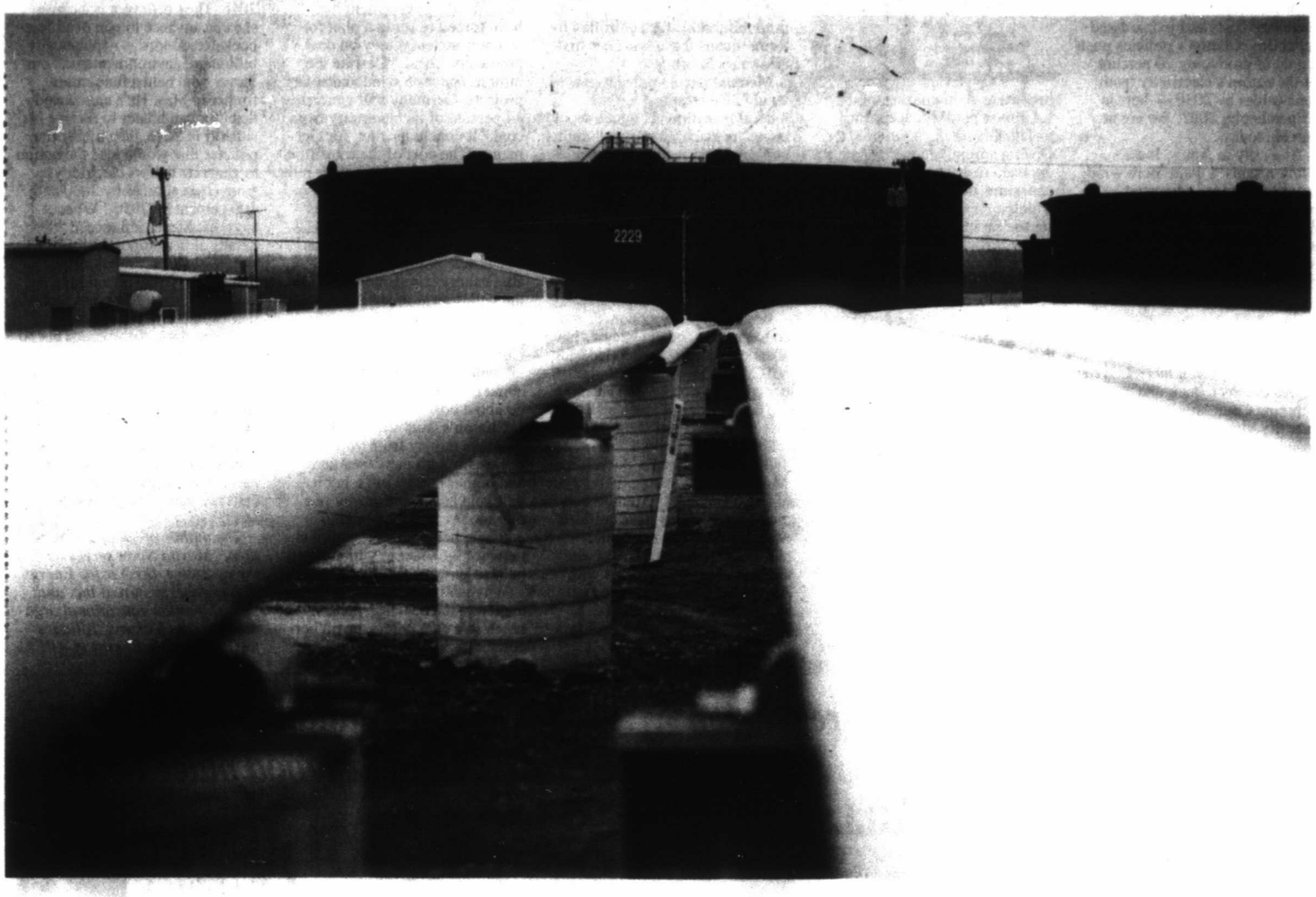
West Texas Roundup skateboard finals, noon at RTD Skatepark. rtdskatepark.com.

Unabashedly Bookish Club, 2-4 p.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. 698-0158.

Matt Stell, 7:30-10 p.m. at Basin Burger House. basinburgerhouse.com.



OIL REPORT



Industry takes close look at safety of tank gauging after ruling

By Mella McEwen
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A recent ruling by a Colorado judge could have implications for the nation's oil and gas industry.

The Denver Post reported in late July that Administrative Law Judge Peter Cannici ruled the death of a Weld County oil and gas worker was caused by exposure to hydrocarbons. The ruling comes as federal health officials take a closer look at "tank gauging," or measuring oil levels after opening a tank hatch — commonly known as a thief hatch.

In the Weld County case, the Post reported, Jim Freemyer, a 59-year-old truck driver, died after he inhaled a mix of deadly hydrocarbon chemicals. He was among nine oil field workers who died in the past five years while working at crude oil production tanks and measuring the level of oil or other byproducts in tanks.

Cannici ruled that Freemyer's widow is owed full workman's compensation benefits. Connie Freemyer will receive nearly $530 per week until she dies. She will also get $7,000 to defray the cost of her husband's funeral.

Lenard Garrett, general manager, LoneStar USA Safety & Training in Midland said the trend he has observed throughout the Permian Basin is that most operators are turning to electronic gauging so employees don't have to climb the stairs to the storage tank and open the thief hatch.

He said the employees' health and safety is one reason. Electronic gauging prevents them from being hit in the face with a sudden rush of potentially fatal amounts of hydrocarbons, particularly hydrogen sulfide, when they open the hatch.

A second reason is that electronic gauging can more accurately detail what and how much is in the storage tank, Garrett said.

"They can get it down to the gallon," he said.

He said there still are some storage tanks around the Permian Basin that aren't electronically gauged. For the employees who have to manually gauge those tanks, operators are installing air tanks and breathing masks at the foot of the stairs.

Expanding and growing







Rangeland Energy gets funding for third company

■ RIO Hub, serving Delaware Basin, surpasses expectations

By Mella McEwen
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Even as the oil and gas industry contracts, some companies are finding, and seizing, opportunities.

One such company is Sugar Land-based Rangeland Energy, which has just announced its third equity commitment from EnCap Flatrock Midstream. This new $300 million from EnCap Flatrock and Rangeland management will fund the formation of a new entity: Rangeland Energy III LLC. The new company will pursue new midstream opportunities in resource plays across North America.

It will operate alongside but separately from Rangeland Energy II, which will continue to focus on the development of its RIO System, serving the Delaware Basin, according to Chris Keene, president and CEO.

The new entity will build on the core competencies the previous two entities have developed in gathering, pipeline and rail transportation and terminal logistics but will add new employees with diverse skill sets that offer the possibility of projects to serve producers and marketers as well as refiners, according to spokeswoman Casey Nikoloric.

Rangeland's RIO System, a multi-part system supporting Delaware Basin operators, began construction last year, and the company reports commissioning of its RIO Hub in Loving, New Mexico. The hub is a 300-acre rail facility that provides fracturing sand suppliers with unit train unloading, silo storage and truck-loading facilities. Initial rail-to-truck transload service began in November and, to date, Rangeland has received

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Hillary's energy plan is like Obama's Clean Power Plan on steroids

MARITA NOON
Executive director for Energy Makes America Great Inc.



The Clinton campaign's newly announced "ambitious renewable energy plans" move far beyond Obama's highly criticized efforts that have increased costs and jeopardized reliability. Obama's policies push a goal of producing 20 percent of the nation's electricity from renewables by 2030 — hers is 33 percent by 2027. We are at 7 percent today.

At a rally in Ames, Iowa, Clinton said, "I want more wind, more solar, more advanced biofuels, more energy efficiency. And, I've got to tell you, people who argue against this are just not paying attention."

I've got to tell you, the Clinton campaign isn't paying attention — or, rather, it is paying attention to the demands of wealthy campaign donors.

The White House has received aggressive push back and a Supreme Court smack down over the administration's policies designed to cut carbon dioxide emissions by requiring renewables.

A growing list of governors refuses to comply with Obama's Clean Power Plan (CPP) — the cornerstone of his climate agenda — and Congress has pending legislation giving the governors the authority to "just say no" if such plans would negatively affect electricity rates, reliability or important economic sectors. *

Clinton pledged, according to The Guardian, "to uphold the Obama administration's heavily opposed restrictions on carbon emissions of power stations, which are expected to accelerate the rapid shutdown of coal plants across the country." Don't worry, though, if you are one of thousands of employees put out of work, because of these policies. According to the New York Times, "Mrs. Clinton promised that in coming months she would unwrap additional climate policies, including aid to workers in coal-producing regions who suffer economic harm." So, now, instead of having a good-paying job, those who used to work in the coal industry will become wards of the state — while those of us who still have jobs pay for the "aid" through our taxes.

To meet her goals, "Congress would have to mandate production of renewable power, or to tax greenhouse gas pollution — both proposals that have floundered on Capitol Hill," according to the NYT. If she's paying attention, Clinton would acknowledge that she'll have virtually no chance of that succeeding as she'll likely have one house, and probably both, still controlled by Republicans for at least her first two years in office.

Meeting her 33 percent goal would also require "further federal investment," which would mean "resuscitation of tax credits and some innovation and regulatory incentives" — all of which add up to more government spending of tax-payers dollars.

Leading climate alarmist James Hansen, formerly with NASA, surprisingly, announced that Clinton's plan "is going to make energy more expensive."

Because of dire economic consequences, other countries have abandoned or, at least, dialed back on, CO2 reduction plans — but, perhaps, she isn't paying attention.

The Australian, in an article titled "Renewable energy: Hopes scaled back in Britain, Germany and US," starts out saying, "Ambitious plans to greatly boost renewable energy to cut carbon dioxide emissions have collided with political and economic reality in Britain, Germany and the US." The story begins with Australia's own experience with its now-defunct carbon tax, which caused a "strong backlash to rising electricity costs." It chronicles Britain's "determination to stop runaway electricity prices and check green energy spending." For Germany, it states "the Merkel government has been forced to scrap a plan for an environmental levy on coal produers." And, "Despite the billions spent on wind and solar projects, Germany still generates 44 percent of its electricity from coal." It concludes that, for Germany, "The cost of the transition in terms of household power bills and industry competitiveness is proving difficult." It also cites several difficulties for "The U.S. President's green energy plans." The article points out "Renewable energy companies have said the withdrawal of subsidies will cripple the industry."

The Guardian coverage of Clinton's climate plan warns, "People in the U.S. may care less about climate change than they do about cost."

Clinton's "ambitious" plans will take money from your pocket through increased taxes and higher energy bills, but it will help her ambitions by putting money in her campaign and help her expansive political network — a fact to which voters need to pay attention.

Why isn't Clinton paying attention to the backlash against renewable energy and the higher costs it imposes on consumers and industry? The answer is clearly laid out in the NYT: "Mrs. Clinton's strategists see climate change as a winning issue for 2016. They believe it is a cause she can advance to win over deep-pocketed donors" — specifically billionaire environmentalist Tom Steyer who held a fund raiser for her in May. He's announced that "for candidates to receive his support in 2016, they must offer policies that would lead the nation to generate half its electricity from clean sources by 2030 and 100 percent by 2050." When it says that Steyer influenced "the details of her proposal," the NYT is, in essence, acknowledging that she is paying attention to her wealthy donors. Her press secretary tweeted: "Counting nuclear, as Steyer does, she exceeds his 50 percent goal."

If you pay attention, you'll realize that the priority of Clinton's ambitious plan is to further her ambitions, putting money in her pocket, while taking it from the average American. For once, I agree with James Hansen who calls her plan "just plain silly."

The author of "Energy Freedom," Marita Noon serves as the executive director for Energy Makes America Great Inc. and the companion educational organization, the Citizens' Alliance for Responsible Energy (CARE).

EPA issues another complicated regulation

ALEX MILLS
President of the Texas Alliance of Energy Producers



The Environmental Protection Agency announced on Monday its final regulations on greenhouse gas emissions from power plants in each state. Called the Clean Power Plan, EPA, once again, has issued far-reaching regulations that are impossible to achieve in the real world.

This is not the first time EPA has issued unreasonable regulations. Just several weeks ago, EPA issued its "Waters of the U.S." (WOTUS) regulations, which are just as complicated and confusing as its Clean Power Plan.

Both regulations have been met with strong opposition from industry and state officials. Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, speaking at a conference in Houston on Tuesday, said that the new regulation should be ignored and to let the courts decide its legality.

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality said concerns remain over legal and practical aspects of the Clean Power Plan, while the state has questions on issues regarding EPA usurping their authority.

The Electric Reliability Council of Texas, the state's main grid operator, has said that EPA regulations, including the Clean Power Plan, could lead to the retirement of thousands of megawatts of coal-fired generation plants, raise the price of electricity and impact reliability of electric generation.

The Clean Power Plan sets ambitious limits on greenhouse gas emissions in each state. It also creates additional incentives for nuclear plants to stay online and bolsters prospect for renewable energy. Once thought to be a boost for natural gas usage, the revised plan is not as gas-friendly as the original plan. The new regulation creates a program to incentivize deployment of renewables and energy efficiency programs in 2020 and 2021.

Many experts have questioned the reliability of EPA's Clean Power Plan. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission questioned EPA's original plan regarding reliability of service. EPA "solved" that problem by simply requiring states to show that they considered reliability in drafting their future plans.

EPA took a similar position when it approved its regulation on WOTUS. The final rule is so massive and complicated that industry experts are still trying to figure out when people need to apply for a permit, what should be included in a review of a facility, and how will EPA enforce and manage regulation of all the new facilities.

Even though the WOTUS regulations become effective Aug. 28, no one knows what they need to do to be in compliance.

Meanwhile, expect more lawsuits to be filed.

Alex Mills is President of the Texas Alliance of Energy Producers. The opinions expressed are

The US needs a national energy plan, and Texas Model is good place to start

CHRISTI CRADDICK
Railroad Commissioner



The energy industry employs nearly 10 million Americans. In states like Texas, oil and gas is a vital source of surplus revenue. And with the advent of hydraulic fracturing, many energy leaders can foresee a day when the United States is no longer dependent on energy imports from nations hostile to our interests. Achieving that goal will require vision — and a national energy plan.

Texas' energy plan is replicable across the country

As presidential candidates kickoff the debate season, voters have a right to ask: What is your plan to responsibly develop America's energy potential? Texas provides a good model. As one of three elected Railroad Commissioners, I oversee an agency that regulates more than 265,000 active oil and gas wells, 270,000 pipeline miles and hydraulic fracturing. Through our day-to-day, on-the-ground regulation of the industry, the successful and safe production of oil and gas is achieved, allowing Texas to drive the American energy industry's leading role in world markets. Texas' energy success shines bright in the overall picture of our state's strong economy.

Energy companies can conduct exploration and production anywhere in the world, but many choose Texas because we strike the balance between sensible, science-based regulation and basic, free-market principles. What some refer to as the "Texas miracle" is actually the result of a deliberate framework built over decades to allow business to thrive within a strong, yet sound, regulatory structure.

Texas is also home to an educated, trained and highly skilled workforce, as well as growing infrastructure that safely transport our minerals, all of which provide greater support to our overall economy. And, instead of picking winners and losers, Texas leverages a wide variety of energy sources whose availability and cost are determined by the free market, providing the lowest cost of energy to our consumers. Employed beyond Texas, this same combination of entrepreneurship unleashed in a pro-jobs climate would not only transform the nation's energy industry, but our country's entire economy and global position.

Federal policies have limited Texas' success

Our state has chosen to tap the potential of shale fields, similar to North Dakota and Pennsylvania. Yet, despite our accomplishments, federal policies are hindering not only our individual success, but our overall national success. That needs to change.

Our president says he is for the development of American energy. He just doesn't want to drill for it, transport it or export it. Energy development is on the rise in spite of this administration, not because of it. In fact, development on federal lands has decreased by 6 percent.

Candidates should be asked to weigh in on drilling on federal lands and water, ending the export ban on American energy, and converting liquefied natural gas (LNG) terminals to export facilities that can ship LNG to our allies in Europe and Asia being squeezed by the Russian government. We have a right to know whether a candidate will support projects like the Keystone Pipeline before he or she assume the presidency.

The Obama administration has hurt American energy production

The current administration is the most hostile regime in decades when it comes to energy production. If pricing pressures from OPEC were not enough, the pain felt in the oil field today is the direct result of political decisions and bureaucratic policies made in places like the Environmental Protection Agency, Bureau of Land Management and Fish and Wildlife Service. Unfortunately, our federal government seeks to restrict the industry rather than unleash its full potential.

Over-regulation by the federal government strangles the energy industry's global competitiveness resulting in storage tanks full of product companies cannot sell to the global market. As a result of the federal government's failure to act, the American energy industry is virtually controlled by unfriendly nations seeking our reliance on their energy exports instead of our own reserves.

Meanwhile, we have the means to be both energy-independent and a net-exporter to friendly nations that need our help. Lifting the ban on oil exports would allow domestic producers to be competitive in international markets. In Texas, we ask this of Obama: You have recently approved Iran's ability to export oil; why then, shouldn't the U.S. have the same ability to succeed in a world market?

For far too long we have let others determine our energy fate. If our nation is going to make measurable strides toward energy independence, now is the time to act. Texas has developed a globally renowned model that allows industry to flourish in an environmentally responsible way. We know this model works and it can work for America. It is worthy of a good debate.

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White paper: To boost the safety of moving oil by rail, focus on the tracks

By Jennifer A. Dlouhy
Houston Chronicle

WASHINGTON — More can be done to boost the safety of moving oil by rail by focusing on the tracks themselves, according to a white paper released Thursday by a group promoting infrastructure investments.

New rules requiring more resilient tank cars are an important step, said the Alliance for Innovation and Infrastructure, but regulators, railroads and shippers now need to more aggressively combat the leading cause of derailments, including broken rail and human error.

From integrity sensors to measurement systems, an array of technologies can help ensure tracks are sound, said Brigham McCown, chairman of the alliance and a former head of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration.

"We tend to be reactionary. Something happened, so what are we going to do to fix it?" McCown told reporters Thursday. "We focus on the accident, rather than focusing on a long-term proactive engagement of reducing the potential for accidents to begin with."

The issue has drawn attention amid a surge in oil-by-rail traffic, as trains heave crude across the United States to refineries and ports, and following a series of fiery derailments involving tank cars carrying that hazardous material.

Over 22 pages, the alliance's white paper makes the case that railroads and regulators can leverage technology to make existing inspection programs more efficient and effective.

Existing regulations, updated in 2014, already mandate both track and rail inspections; the former often entails workers examining the physical conditions of track structures and the roadbed by foot or by vehicle, with that monitoring required as frequently as weekly in some cases. Rail inspections use ultrasonic or induction testing to identify hidden internal defects, with their timing generally pegged to the amount of traffic on rail segments.

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Instructor: Tommy Lent
August 25-26, Tue-Wed, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
$430; Out of State, $455
Midland College PPDC Building, 105 W. Illinois

SQL: Application to Oil/Gas Relational Database
Instructor: Celia Payne
August 25, Tue, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
$350; Out of State, $375
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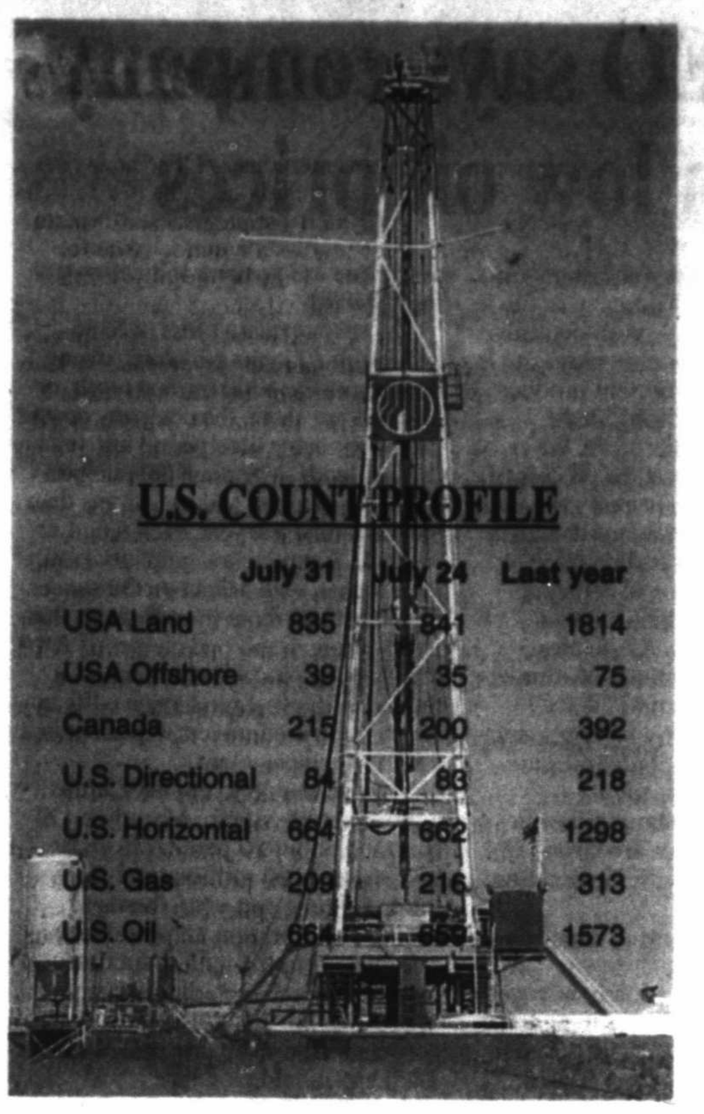
On-Line Land Management Certificate Program - Module 6 of 6
Modules:
Title: Federal Laws that Impact the Oil and Gas Industry
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: August 31; End Date: September 26- Registration Deadline: Noon, August 31st
Returning Registrants: $599; Out of State, $624 (purchased book for previous modules)
New Registrants: $649; Out of State, $674; (includes $50 manual (AAPL Land Reference Guide).
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PetroSkills: Advanced Hydraulic Fracturing
Alfred Jennings
August 31-September 4, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
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PETRA (Fundamentals)
Instructor: Greg Hinterlong
September 10-11, Thu-Fri, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
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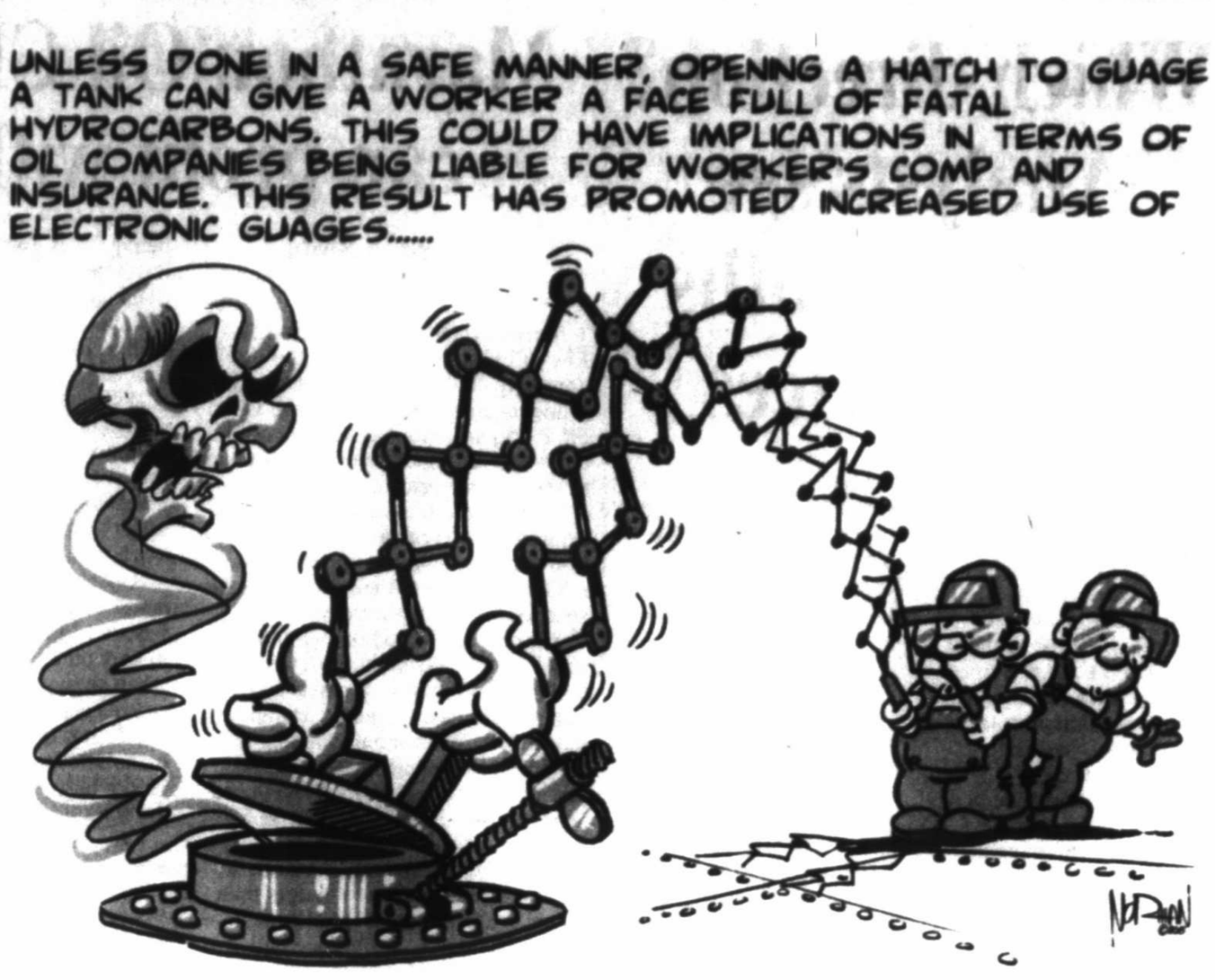
Managing Sucker Rod Lift Well Failures
Instructor: Kent Gantz
September 15, Tue, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
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Land and Leasing - Oil and Gas
Instructor: Ernie Gilkerson
September 16, Wed, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Lunch 1-1/2 hours)
$350; Out of State, $375
Midland College PPDC Building, 105 W. Illinois



U.S. COUNT PROFILE

	July 31	July 24	Last year
USA Land	835	841	1814
USA Offshore	39	35	75
Canada	215	200	392
U.S. Directional	84	83	218
U.S. Horizontal	664	662	1298
U.S. Gas	209	216	313
U.S. Oil	664	655	1573



PERMIAN BASIN RIG COUNTS

Texas

DISTRICT 7B

Coleman	0
Fisher	0
Jones	0
Nolan	1
Taylor	0

DISTRICT 7C

Coke	0
Concho	0
Crockett	2
Irion	3
Kimble	0
McCulloch	0
Menard	0
Reagan	15
Runnels	0
Schleicher	0
Sutton	0
Terrell	0
Tom Green	1
Upton	12

DISTRICT 8

Andrews	8
Brewster	0
Crane	2
Culberson	5
Ector	3
Glasscock	9
Howard	8
Hudspeth	0
Jeff Davis	0
Loving	21
Martin	19
Midland	37
Mitchell	1
Pecos	4
Presidio	0
Reeves	25
Sterling	1
Ward	3
Winkler	2

DISTRICT 8A

Bailey	0
Borden	0
Cochran	0
Cottle	0
Crosby	0
Dawson	2
Dickens	0
Floyd	0
Gaines	2
Garza	1
Hale	0
Hockley	0
Kent	0
King	0
Lamb	1
Lubbock	0
Lynn	1
Motley	1
Scurry	4
Terry	0
Yoakum	3
TEXAS TOTAL	**197**

New Mexico

Chaves	0
Eddy	18
Lea	33
Roosevelt	0
NEW MEXICO TOTAL	**51**



MID-WEEK WTI AVERAGE PRICES

Posted	**$44.55**
Flint Hills Resources*	**$45.25**
Phillips 66	**$45.41**
Plains*	**$45.25**
Shell Trading	**$45.40**
Sun*	**$45.25**
Nymex futures	**$48.15***

Net price without transportation charge
Note: Posted prices as of July 29

SPOT NATURAL GAS PRICE PROFILE

Current natural gas prices (price per MMBtu)

	First of the month price	Closing price August 5	Same period one year ago
Nymex future price	$2.773	$2.798	$3.897
Composite Field Prices For Waha Hub	$2.640	$2.740	$3.760
Composite Field Prices For Rocky Mountains	$2.590	$2.698	$3.750
Composite Field Prices For Permian Basin	$2.637	$2.770	$3.768
Composite Field Prices For San Juan Basin	$2.650	$2.765	$3.815
CompositeField Prices For Midcontinent	$2.570	$2.730	$3.703
Composite Field Prices For Gulf Coast	$2.721	$2.766	$3.766

ENERGYBRIEFS

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

WTGS to host Tulsa executive

Members of the West Texas Geological Society will meet Aug. 11 in the upstairs ballroom of Midland Country Club beginning at 11:30 a.m.

Speaker John Mitchell, Exploration Vice President for Tecolote Energy LLC in Tulsa, will present "Economic Development of Pennsylvanian Age Granite Wash Reservoirs with Horizontal Wells in the Anadarko Basin."

Cost is $20, including lunch. Additional information may be found at www.wtgs.org under 'Upcoming Events.' Reservations are encouraged and may be obtained by calling 683-1573 or by email at wtgs@wtgs.org.

HOUSTON

Exxon secures more Permian Basin fields

ExxonMobil said Thursday it had finalized two deals to buy drilling rights to 48,000 acres in the heart of the Permian Basin.

The Irving, Texas-based oil and gas giant said the two deals include a farm-in agreement and an acquisition adjacent to XTO's existing acreage in Martin and Midland Counties. ExxonMobil subsidiary XTO Energy, which focuses mainly on unconventional production, will operate the acreage.

"We are continuing to grow our position in a prolific area of the Permian Basin," said Randy Cleveland, president at XTO Energy, in a written statement. "The recent emergence of strong Lower Spraberry results, combined with the established Wolfcamp intervals, demonstrates the significant potential of the stacked pays in the Midland Basin core."

ExxonMobil said that, since January 2014, it has executed five agreements in the Midland Basin formation that sits in the Permian, providing the company with the rights to more than 135,000 net acres. XTO is now running 11 horizontal and four vertical rigs across the 1.5 million net acres it has the rights to in the Permian, with net oil-equivalent production exceeding 115,000 barrels per day.

Exxon Mobil's company-wide production in the second quarter of 2015 averaged about 4 million oil-equivalent barrels per day.

DALLAS

New Delaware Basin pipeline open season set

Energy Transfer Partners L.P. announces that its affiliate, ETP Crude LLC will commence a binding Open Season for a new pipeline, the Delaware Basin Crude Gathering Pipeline.

The new pipeline will have the capacity to accept approximately 120,000 barrels per day of crude oil from receipt points located in Reeves County, Texas and Lea County, New Mexico for transportation to delivery points in Loving County, Texas and Lea County, New Mexico. Interstate service on the Delaware Pipeline will be subject to the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

This project, when completed, will consist of three separate gathering systems with an aggregate of approximately 130 miles of pipe. The gathering systems will deliver crude oil into the Sunoco Logistics Partners L.P. Delaware Basin Extension. The pipeline is projected to be in service in the first half of 2016.

The Open Season will end on Sept. 4. All bids must be submitted to ETP Crude by 5 p.m. Central Time on that date. Additional information regarding the pipeline and the Open Season can be found on ETP's website at http://www.energytransfer.com/ops—etp—crude.aspx.

RANGELAND

From 1F

14 unit trains and additional railcars and distributed about 175,000 tons of sand to the region.

"Demand from those operating in the Delaware Basin remains strong, in part because the region is one of the most economic producing basins in the nation and continues to support aggressive drilling activity," Keene said. He said a second reason Delaware Basin demand remains strong is that some companies are refracturing old wells instead of new wells, supporting demand for fracturing sand. Finally, Keene said larger facilities such as the RIO Hub are being used instead of smaller, less-efficient facilities.

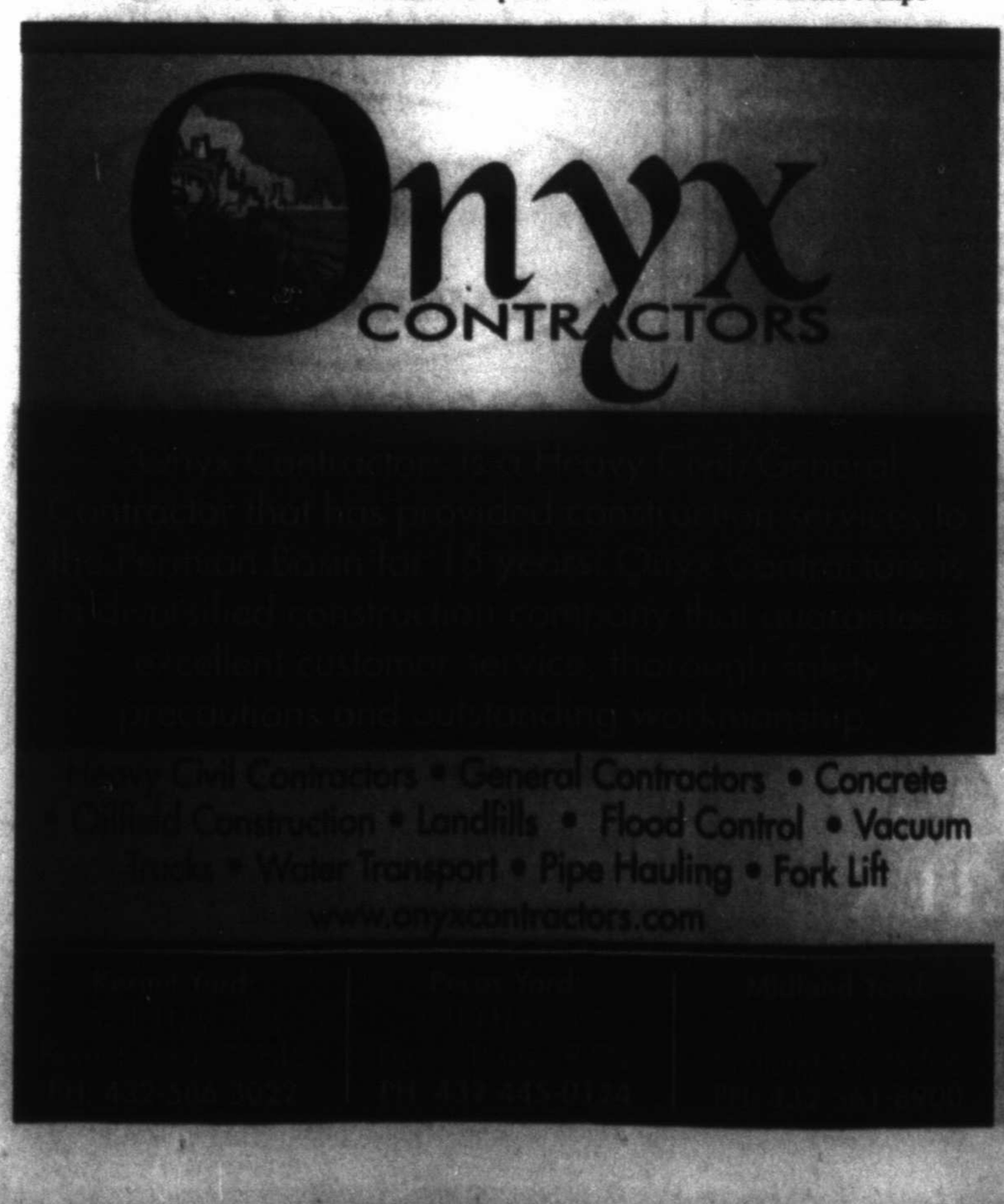
The larger facilities, with their ability to accommodate unit trains and storage capacity, create economies of scale and price efficiencies, resulting in lower completion costs, Nikoloric said.

The company anticipates expanding the hub to accommodate more than 1 million tons of fracturing sand per day. Talks are also underway with crude oil and condensate customers regarding the installation of truck unloading facilities, tankage and storage services and rail and pipeline connectivity.

The second component of Rangeland's RIO System, the RIO Pipeline, is now under construction. Originating at the RIO State Line Terminal near Mentone — which will offer storage tank and truck unloading facilities — the pipeline will end at the RIO Midland Terminal, which will provide tankage and connections to various terminals and interstate pipelines serving Cushing and Gulf Coast markets. The company has purchased acreage in the heart of Midland's tank farm area for its Midland Terminal. Four shippers have executed contracts with the company. The pipeline and two terminals are expected to come online in May with a capacity of more than 85,000 barrels per day.

The just-announced equity commitment is EnCap Flatrock's third commitment to Rangeland and brings its total to more than $600 million since Rangeland was formed in 2009. Rangeland I established the COLT System of crude oil terminals and pipeline in the Bakken and was sold to Inergy Midstream LP, now Crestwood Midstream Partners, in late 2012.

Rangeland II was formed in early 2013 with an initial $200 million commitment from EnCap Flatrock and Rangeland's founders.





Which direction? Analysts see different paths for oil prices

By Mella McEwen
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The third time might be the charm for crude oil prices. But the outlook for prices is as varied as those who analyze them. Some expect a recovery later this year, while others expect even lower prices before recovery begins.

"The oil markets are in the process of testing the low for the third time this year. I believe this is a repeat of the 2008-09 oil price cycle," said Dan Steffens, president of Houston-based Energy Prospectus Group. "If so, this should be the third and final dip before oil prices start their climb back to the historical trend line. In 2009, West Texas Intermediate took 12 months to go from $35 a barrel to $80 a barrel. If we can repeat that, we'll all be fine."

His expectation, supported by a report from RBC Capital Markets, is that crude prices will begin recovering in the second half of this year into next year. RBC forecasts prices to average $56 a barrel the remainder of the year, rising to $72 next year and $84 long-term.

Steffens and RBC's outlook differs from others, such as IHS Energy, where analysts recently issued a report saying prices are poised to drop further because of the growing glut of oil supplies.

In their report, "Swinging Lower," James Burkhard, vice president, and Jamie Webster and Bhushan Bahree, senior directors at IHS, write that, for U.S. production to fall enough to significantly impact the global oil surplus, prices will have to be in the low $40s or even $30s for a time.

"Such price levels would reduce cash flow even further, forcing an additional reduction in capital expenditures, and likely diminish even further the willingness of the capital markets to fund U.S. upstream companies," they wrote.

The report indicates that domestic production would have to fall from the 9.7 million barrels a day recorded in April to 9 million barrels a day "to even begin an erosion in the global supply glut."

With lower prices, U.S. crude oil production in the second half of 2015 would record its first significant decline in more than seven years. A severe drop in prices, lasting several months, would then increase the likelihood of a significant price increase in 2016–17. Production growth from the rest of the world, including Saudi Arabia and Iraq, is unlikely to keep pace with demand growth if U.S. production falls appreciably, according to the report.

The IHS authors cite a 2 million barrel increase in output, most notably from the U.S. Saudi Arabia and Iraq, since November 2014.

Steffens disputed those figures, saying the production and demand figures reported by the U.S. Energy Information Administration and the International Energy Agency are derived from flawed formulas.

"Those formulas are trend-driven. Periods of significant change in oil prices or a significant change in outlook are not reflected in their figures for months. They're just now starting to report production declines," he said.

He predicted the agencies will soon play "catch-up" by reporting massive declines in production through the remainder of the year.

He also points to what he calls the simple math of the impact of the steep decline in drilling activity on production.

"You can't drop 1,000 rigs and not see a drop in production," he said.

The unconventional shale oil wells that have been driving the nation's growth in production typically decline 50 percent or more in the first year, Steffens said. Combine that with the sharp drop in drilling and the fact that well completions are down 60 percent from a year ago and "the math does not work," he said.

"We may be oversupplied with cheap oil, but we're not oversupplied with oil," Steffens said. "The agencies don't understand that when oil prices fall, people use more oil."

In its report, IHS said a decline in output to 9 million barrels a day would mean the U.S. rig count would fall to about 600 by the fourth quarter of this year and then to between 400 and 450 rigs next year before "the great revival of American oil production."

The recent agreement between Iran and six world powers, including the United States, for oversight of its nuclear activities in return for removal of economic sanctions, is actually another reason Steffens is bullish on prices.

Though some are concerned about the return of Iranian oil to an already-glutted market, Steffens said any agreement will not take effect until the International Atomic Energy Agency inspects Iran's nuclear sites and agrees the country is complying with the agreement. He said that Iran has refused to let the agency inspect its sites for more than a decade. Any such inspections and report of compliance won't occur until next year at the earliest, he said.

In addition, Steffens said much of the Iranian crude being stored in tankers off that nation's shores is of such poor quality that almost no one will want to buy it.

The analysts agree on one thing: The U.S. oil industry may be facing some significant bumps ahead, but a bright future because only the U.S. has the capacity to increase production enough to meet future world demand.

Marathon Oil CEO says company can profit with low oil prices

By Jordan Blum
Houston Chronicle

Marathon Oil President and CEO Lee Tillman said Thursday the company could sell 70 percent of its crude inventory at a profit with U.S. oil at $50 a barrel, but that the company will still operate with discipline in this low oil price environment.

While Marathon still has plenty of liquidity, the Houston-based exploration and production company posted a $386 million net income loss in the second quarter of the year.

Tillman said Marathon will maintain its 4.2 percent dividend yield while looking to sell non-core assets and continuing to reduce spending. Marathon reduced its 2015 capital spending to $3.3 billion, from about $3.5 billion, and he said it could be further reduced later this year. Marathon spent $5.5 billion in capital last year.

"We would anticipate certainly a materially lower (2016) budget than where we're at with $3.3 billion," Tillman said in a conference call.

Tillman said Marathon is putting a heavy focus going forward on its undeveloped Oklahoma acreage in the Stack and SCOOP — south-central Oklahoma oil province — plays, as well as its ongoing efficient production in Texas' Eagle Ford Shale.

Without giving details on the buyer or buyers, Marathon is in the process of selling $100 million in natural gas assets in east Texas, north Louisiana and Oklahoma. Tillman said Marathon plans to sell at least $500 million in non-core assets with no set deadline in mind.

Raymond James & Associates analyst Pavel Molchanov questioned whether Marathon would "leave money on the table" by selling assets when so many other companies are putting acreage up for sale.

Tillman said Marathon will only make sales when there are strong offers to buy, such as with the pending $100 million deal.

"We don't view these as distressed assets," Tillman said.

In an analyst note, Molchanov said Marathon's earnings came in near expectations and that its dividend yield and historical track record of capital discipline are positive indicators going forward.

The second quarter loss of $386 million, or 57 cents per share, swung down from the $360 million profit, or 53 cents per share, the company posted during the same time period last year.

Worldwide, Marathon Oil pumped 6 percent more oil and natural gas than the same time last year, excluding Libya. Its U.S. production numbers were even higher, with Marathon Oil squeezing 30 percent more from its fields than it did during the second quarter of 2014. The swell in production happened at the same time that production costs in North America tumbled 30 percent in a year, the company said.

In its scramble to cut back amid a global crude slump, Marathon Oil trimmed about 20 percent from its budget, or $100 million total from the same time last year, through reduced exploration and production expenses coupled with reductions in overall general and administrative costs. Capital spending plunged 40 percent as the company pulled back from U.S. shale plays.

Nabors CEO: Expect flat oil rig counts in the second half

By Collin Eaton
Houston Chronicle

HOUSTON — The CEO of rig contractor Nabors Industries told investors Wednesday most oil companies are talking about keeping their fleets of drilling rigs flat because of the recent slump in oil prices, and some are bringing rigs down.

Nabors CEO Anthony Petrello said the tone of conversations with oil companies has changed since mid-May, when customers were talking about plans to steadily roll out drilling rigs in the second half of the year as the U.S. crude price had come up to about $57 a barrel at the time.

"Those people who had told us about plans to increase are now going back and saying we need to reconfirm given oil prices," Petrello said. "We haven't heard yet a dramatic drop in rigs but people are fine-tuning now in light of oil prices and I think it's a function of how long we stay in this $40 range."

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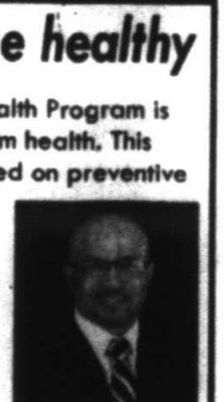


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Upton County

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
XBC Giddings Estate #1172H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 7471 fnl, 3321 fel, Sec 1, Abst. 542, Throckmorton CSL, 19.5 n Rankin; TD 9468 TVD, 16565 MD; Comp 7/7/2015; producing from 9439-16341, fracture stimulated; flow 911 BO, 1029 MCF, 2293 BW, FTP 593 psi, 42.7 Oil Gravity; API #42-461-39623

Texas RRCD 8

Andrews County

Ring Energy Inc.
12th Man State #1
Block A-34 (San Andres); 467 fnl, 467 fel, Sec 8, Blk A-34, Abst. 1676, PSL, 14 nnw Andrews; TD 6178; Comp 7/3/2015; producing from 4634-4762, fracture stimulated; pump 145 BO, 34 MCF, 359 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-46290

Crane County

Henry Resources LLC
Univhope #1815
University 31 West (Upper Devonian); 660 fsl, 660 fwl, Sec 18, Blk 31, Abst. 66U, ULS, 10.3 nw Crane; TD 10300; Comp 7/21/2015; producing from 7634-10134, fracture stimulated; pump 22 BO, 6 MCF, 99 BW, 41 Oil Gravity; API #42-103-36434

Ector County

XTO Energy Inc.
C.A. Goldsmith et al #2501
Goldsmith (Clearfork); 1270 fnl, 9179 fel, Sec 3, Blk 44, Abst. 271, T&P RR, 0.8 sw Goldsmith; TD 6694; Comp 7/7/2015; producing from 5510-5828, fracture stimulated; pump 115 BO, 112 MCF, 5709 BW, 38 Oil Gravity; API #42-135-43332

Texas RRCD 8A

Gaines County

XTO Energy Inc.
Russell Clearfork Unit #584
Russell (Clearfork Consolidated); 1982 fwl, 1374 fnl, Sec 457, Blk G, Abst. 38,CCSD&RGNG, 7.3 sw Denver City; TD 7910; Comp 7/7/2015; producing from 7411-7714, treated with 5,000 gals. acid and fracture stimulated; pump 102 BO, 10 MCF, 330 BW, 33.6 Oil Gravity; API #42-165-38308

New Mexico

Eddy County

COG Operating LLC
Burch Keely Unit #935
Burch Keely; Sec 13 T17S R29E; 1650/S & 200/W. BHL: 1668/S & 341/W; EL 3619 GL, TD 10123 MD, 4868 TVD, PBTD 9982; Spud 12-24-14, Comp 2-9-15; production is through treated perfs: 5148-9967. Treat; Acdz w/60,621 gals 15% acid, Frac w/1,810,682 gals gel, 284,733 gals trt wtr, 209,526 gasl wtr frac, 3,698,008# 20/40 brown, 668,220# 20/40 CRC. IP: 2-14-15 Pump 24 hrs 900 BO, 1101 BW, 557 MCF, GOR 619, Gty 40.4. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 337 w/400 sx, 9 5/8 @ 1082 w/550 sx, 7 @ 4296, 5 1/2 @ 4296-10120 w/1750 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4219; API #30-015-42748

Apache Corp.
Lee Federal #79
Cedar Lake; Sec 20 T17S R31E; 1710/S & 330/W; EL 3619 GL, TD 6400, PBTD 6380; Spud 5-8-14, Comp 8-23-14; production is through treated perfs: 4718-4777, 4797-5296, 5417-6206. Treat: 4746 gals 15% HCL, 483,674# total proppant. IP: 7031014 Pump 24 hrs 91 BO, 274 BW, 274 MCF, GOR 1813, Gty 39. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 302 w/380 sx, 8 5/8 @ 3500 w/1200 sx, 5 1/2 @ 6400 w/1020 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6313; API #30-015-42190

Yates Petroleum Corp.
BENSON Deep BDX Federal #2
South Leo; Sec 33 T18S R30E; 360/N & 560/W. BHL: 665/S & 278/E; EL 3454 GL, TD 12753, PBTD 12696; Spud 5-29-14, Comp 1-20-15; production is through treated perfs: 8548-12578. Treat: Acdz w/47,000 gals 15% HCL acid, Frac w/5,998,152# 18/30 super LC & 20/40 white sd. IP: 3-9-15 Pump 24 hrs 440 BO, 1376 BW, 520 MCF. Csg: 20 @ 80 w/12 sx, 13 3/8 @ 461 w/778 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2065 w/670 sx, 5 1/2 @ 12743 w/2215 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7939; API #30-015-41966

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Mirage 30 B2HE State Com #1
Parkway; Sec 30 T19S R29E; 1700/N & 150/E. BHL: 1746/N & 334/W; EL 3310 GL, TD 12010, PBTD 12000; Spud 11-13-14, Comp 3-21-15; production is through perfs: 8222-12000. IP: 3-23-15 Pump 24 hrs 158 BO, 3110 BW, 41 MCF. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 305 w/530 sx, 9 5/8 @ 1262 w/400 sx, 6 @ 8135 w/1000 sx, 4 1/2 @ 7869-12005, 2 7/8 @ 7540; API #30-015-42131

Emkey Companies LLC
Stiletto 16 State #7
North Seven Rivers; Sec 16 T20S R25E; 330/N & 355/W. BHL: 349/S & 2227/W; EL 3463 GL, TD 7210; Spud 11-1-14, Comp 2-25-15; production is through perfs: 2750-6777. IP: 2-26-15 Pump 24 hrs 1571 BO, 1571 BW, 0 MCF. Csg: 9 5/8 @ 924 w/530 sx, 5 1/2 @ 7200 w/1955 sx; API #30-015-40194

Emkey Companies LLC
Stiletto 16 State #8
North Seven Rivers; Sec 16 T20S R25E; 331/N & 355/W. BHL: 369/S & 368/W; EL 3463 GL, TD 7137; Spud 11-25-14, Comp 3-1-15; production is through perfs: 2750-6852. IP: 3-2-15 Pump 24 hrs 943.3 BO, 941.9 BW, 0 MCF. Csg: 9 5/8 @ 923 w/330 sx, 5 1/2 @ 7127 w/1467 sx; API #30-015-42661

Emkey Companies LLC
Stiletto 16 State #9
North Seven Rivers; Sec 16 T20S R25E; 330/N & 1265/W. BHL: 358/S & 1293/W; EL 3465 GL, TD 7108; Spud 12-15-14, Comp 3-4-15; production is through perfs: 2750-6627. IP: 3-5-15 Pump 24 hrs 806.4 BO, 806.4 BW, 0 MCF. Csg: 9 5/8 @ 920 w/550 sx, 5 1/2 @ 7108 w/1405 sx; API #30-015-42807

Oxy USA Inc.
Federal 23 #13
Livingston Ridge; Sec 26 T22S R31E; 610/N & 2277/W. BHL: 371/N & 1888/W; EL 3569 GL, TD 13301 MD, 8256 TVD, PBTD 13296 MD, 8256 TVD; Spud 10-31-14, Comp 1-31-15; production is through treated perfs: 8866-13242. Treat: 166241 gals trt wtr + 71700 gals 15% HCL acid + 2113198 gals linear gel w/3726767# sd. IP: 3-8-15 Pump 24 hrs 740 BO, 823 BW, 87 MCF, GOR 118. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 900 w/860 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4467 w/2060 sx, 7 @ 8735 w/740 sx, 4 1/2 @ 7645-13296, 2 7/8 @ 7581; API #30-015-41636

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Spud 16 State #12
Laguna Salado; Sec 16 T23S R29E; 1980/S & 660/E. BHL: 647/S & 371/W; EL 2960 GL, TD 12898, PBTD 12840.2; Spud 5-20-14, Comp 2-13-15; production is through perfs: 8086-12766. IP: 3-4-15 Pump 24 hrs 552 BO, 781 BW, 843 MCF, Csg: 13 3/8 @ 382 w/490 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2991 w/955 sx, 5 1/2 @ 12891 w/2693 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7300.4; API #30-015-41150

Occidental Permian Ltd.
Devon 8 Fee #4
Hay Hollow; Sec 8 T25S R28E; 1980/N & 370/E. BHL: 2021/N & 96/W; EL 3020 GL, TD 12655 MD, 7986 TVD, PBTD 12560 MD, 7986 TVD; Spud 11-14-14, Comp 1-29-15; production is through perfs: 8281-12380. IP: 3-9-15 Pump 24 hrs 383 BO, 767 BW, 644 MCF. Csg: 11 1/2 @ 445 w/450 sx, 8 5/8 @ 2468 w/710 sx, 5 1/2 @ 12655 w/1435 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7365; API #30-015-42642

COG Operating LLC
Horned Owl Federal #1
Wildcat; Sec 25 T26S R26E; 20/N & 330/W BHL: 349/S & 479/W; EL 3415.1 GL, TD 11930 MD, 7318 TVD, PBTD 11880 MD, 7318 TVD; Spud 1-23-15, Comp 3-5-15; production is through treated perfs: 7595-11781, 11830-11840. Treat: Acdz w/85169 gals 7 1/2%, Frac w/8263993#-sd & 5157527 gals fluid. IP: 3-24-15 Flow 24 hrs 590 BO, 2549 BW, 640 MCF, 46/64" Ch, TP 570. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 295 w/350 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2012 w/800 sx, 5 1/2 @ 11930 w/2300 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7563; APH#30-015-42484

Lea County

Linn Operating Inc.
Phillips Lea #104
Vacuum; Sec 31 T17S R34E; 942/S & 443/W. EL 4096 GL, TD 5011, PBTD 4959; Spud 10-1-14, Comp 11-7-14; production is through treated perfs: 4465-4644, 4711-4742. Treat: 161153# 20/40 white sd, 46359# 20/40 SLC sd. IP: 11-19-14 Pump 24 hrs 23 BO, 211 BW, 20 MCF. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 1580 w/572 sx, 5 1/2 @ 5009 w/925 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4792; API #30-025-42003

COG Operating LLC
King Air 8 Federal #4
Lusk; Sec 8 T19S R32E; 58/S & 982/W, BHL: 342/N & 650/W; EL 3611 GL, TD 13834 MD, 9234 TVD, PBTD 13780 MD, 9234 TVD; Spud 1-16-15, Comp 3-12-15; production is through treated perfs: 9410-13680, 13720-13740. Treat: Acdz w/93870 gals 7 1/2% acid, Frac w/6792881# sd & 5607756 gals fluid. IP: 3-29-15 Pump 24 hrs 488 BO, 1184 BW, 316 MCF Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1000 w/775 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4482 w/1900 sx, 5 1/2 @ 13834 w/2800 sx, 2 7/8 @ 8749; API #30-025-42200

Nadel & Gussman Permian LLC
Raptor West 3 State #4
Scharb; Sec 3 T19S R34E; 250/S & 330/E. BHL: 330/N & 330/E; EL 3988 GL, TD 15,212, PBTD 15,133; Spud 10-20-14, Comp 2-1-15; production is through treated perfs: 10924-14995. Treat: 14,922 bbls slick wtr, 61,809 bbls frac fluid, 625,730 mesh, 4,508,070 sd. IP: 2-9-15 Flow 24 hrs 378 BO, 386 BW, 198 MCF, 26/64" Ch, CP 300. Csg; 13 3/8 @ 3838 w/1103 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3527 w/1000 sx, 5 1/2 @ 15232 w/2365 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10379; API #30-025-42173

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Marathon Road 15 NC Federal #1
Lea; Sec 15 T20S R34E; 180/S & 1800/W BHL: 333/S & 1643/W; EL 3646 GL, TD 15515 MD, 10914 TVD, PBTD 15490 MD, 10916 TVD; Spud 1-10-15, Comp 3-15-15; production is through treated perfs: 11383-15490. Treat: Frac in 25 stages w/503,496 gals SW, 251,956# gals 20# linear gel, 1,092,924 gals 20# XL. IP: 3-18-15 Flow 24 hrs 565 BO, 1020 BW, 422 MCF, 19/64" Ch, CP 1465, GOR 747, Gty 42.6. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1023 w/1150 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2946 w/3100 sx, 4 1/2 @ 11070-15495; API #30-025-42201

ConocoPhillips Co.
SEMU #245
Skaggs; Sec 19 T20S R38E; 1528/S & 2204/E; EL 3536 GL, TD 4262; Spud 8-18-14, Comp 11-17-14; production is through treated perfs: 3880-4020. Treat: 2000 gals 15% acid, 42,000# proppants. IP: 11-23-14 Flow 24 hrs 50 BO, 424 BW, 86 MCF, TP 200, CP 100, GOR 1720, Gty 36.1. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 1403 w/1222 sx, 5 1/2 @ 4219 w/814 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4107; API #30-025-42017

Oxy USA WTP LP
Anderson 35 #5
Red Tank; Sec 35 T21S R32E; 960/S & 100/W. BHL: 901/S & 182/E; EL 3685 GL, TD 14581 MD, 9897 TVD, PBTD 14550 MD, 9897 TVD; Spud 12-4-14, Comp 2-6-15; production is through treated perfs: 10004-14514. Treat: 202280 gals slick wtr + 41425 gals 15% HCL acid + 2114280 gals 15# linear gel w/6862340# sd. IP: 3-17-15 Flow 24 hrs 109 BO, 391 BW, 232 MCF, 20/64" ch, TP 420, CP 100, GOR 2128. Csg: 11 1/2 @ 1005 w/780 sx, 8 5/8 @ 4766 w/1530 sx, 5 1/2 @ 14653 w/1930 sx, 2 7/8 @ 9250; API #30-025-42123

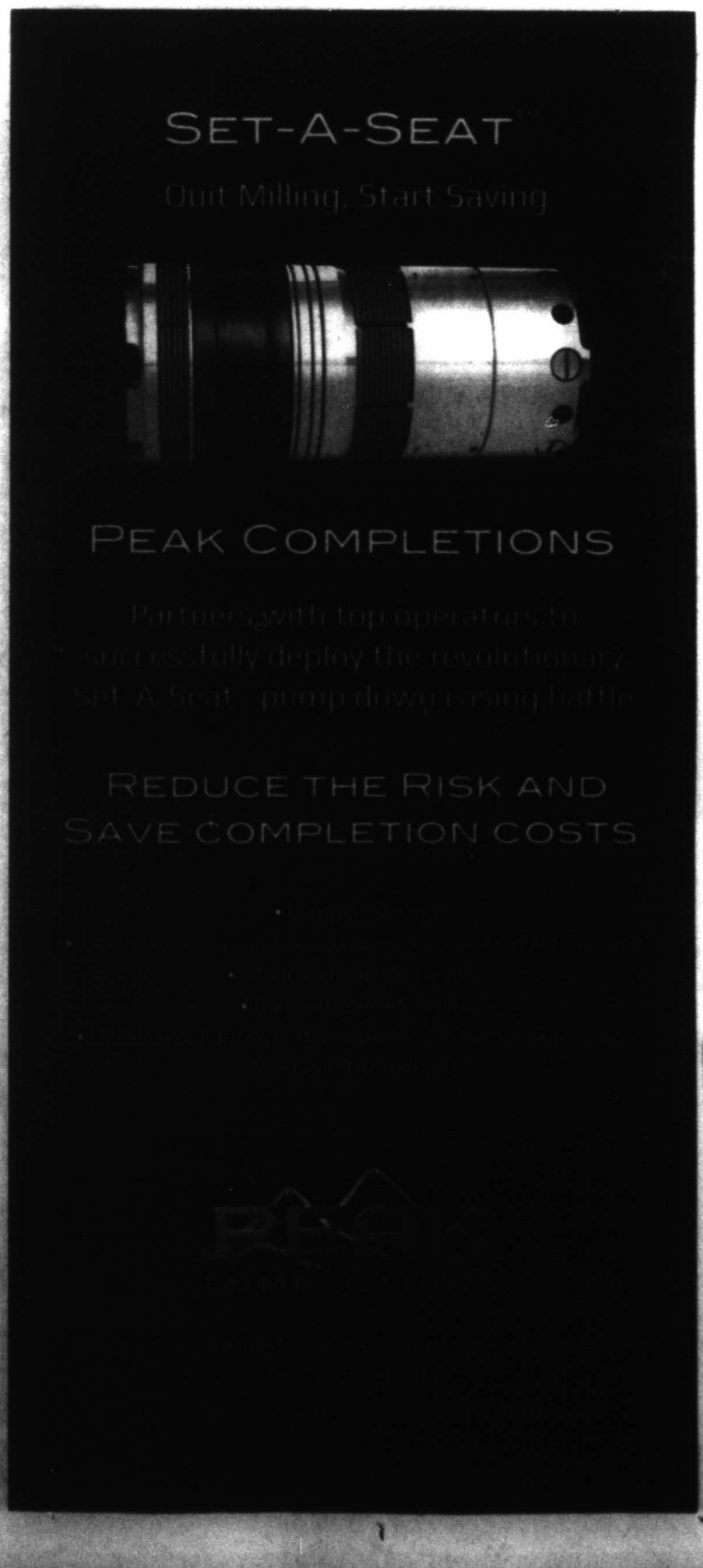
Mack Energy Corp.
Norway State #2
Drinkard; Sec 36 T21S R36E; 1140/S & 2290/E. BHL: 938/S & 2254/E; EL 3501 GL, TD 7212, PBTD 7137; Spud 12-28-14, Comp 1-30-15; production is through treated perfs: 6691-6910. Treat: Acdz w/2500 gals 15% HCL acid, Frac w/25059.5 bbls slickwater, 83,669# 100 mesh, 326,588# white sd 40/70. IP: 3-2-15 Pump 24 hrs 47 BO, 250 BW, 90 MCF, GOR 604, Gty 37.6. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 1221 w/805 sx, 5 1/2 @ 7185 w/1900 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6926; API #30-025-42313

Regeneration Energy Corp.
E Livingston 31 Federal #6
Sand Dunes; Sec 31 T22S R32E; 190/S & 330/W; EL 3490 Gl, TD 14802 MD, 10274 TVD, PBTD 14800 MD, 10274 TVD; Spud 11-29-14 Comp 1-12-15; production is through treated perfs: 11010-14640. Treat: 71,500 gasl 7.5% acid, 5,841,850# sd, 4,656,422 gals fluid. IP 1-21-15 Flow 24 hrs 213 BO, 2160 BW, 200 MCF, 20/64" Ch, CP 2100. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 840 w/650 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5085 w/1350 sx, 5 1/2 @ 13021 w/2400 sx; API #30-025-41926

COG Operating LLC
Queso State #5
Triste Draw; Sec 36 T23S R32E, 400/S & 1160/E. BHL: 366/N & 1024/E; EL 3643 Gl, TD 14134, PBTD 14080; Spud 12-18-14, Comp 3-14-15; production is through treated perfs: 10021-13980. Treat: Acdz w/85601 gals 7 1/2%, Frac w/6660148# sd & 6816049 gals fluid. IP: 4-5-15 Flow 24 hrs 691 BO, 1135 BW, 1260 MCF, 30/64" Ch, TP 500. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1202 w/1050 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4984 w/1350 sx, 5 1/2 @ 14134 w/2100 sx, 2 7/8 @ 9268; API #30-025-41800

Yates Petroleum Corp.
Caravan State Unit #6
East Triste Draw; Sec 33 T24S R33E; 50/N & 1980/W. BHL: 330/N & 1976/W; EL 3469 GL, TD 15,872, PBTD 15,867; Spud 10-17-14, Comp 2-23-15; production is through treated perfs 11373-15853. Treat: Acdz w/209,000 gals 15% HCL acid, Frac w/4,824,640# 20/40 & 30/50 prop master sd. IP: 3-4-15 Flow 24 hrs 664 BO, 2282 BW, 221 MCF, 30/64" Ch, TP 650. Csg: 20 @ 120 w/351 sx, 13 3/8 @ 1214 w/710 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5218 w/1435 sx, 5 1/2 @ 15870 w/2382 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10492; API #30-025-41610

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Which direction? Analysts see different paths for oil prices

By Mella McEwen
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The third time might be the charm for crude oil prices. But the outlook for prices is as varied as those who analyze them. Some expect a recovery later this year, while others expect even lower prices before recovery begins.

"The oil markets are in the process of testing the low for the third time this year. I believe this is a repeat of the 2008-09 oil price cycle," said Dan Steffens, president of Houston-based Energy Prospectus Group. "If so, this should be the third and final dip before oil prices start their climb back to the historical trend line. In 2009, West Texas Intermediate took 12 months to go from $35 a barrel to $80 a barrel. If we can repeat that, we'll all be fine."

His expectation, supported by a report from RBC Capital Markets, is that crude prices will begin recovering in the second half of this year into next year. RBC forecasts prices to average $56 a barrel the remainder of the year, rising to $72 next year and $84 long-term.

Steffens and RBC's outlook differs from others, such as IHS Energy, where analysts recently issued a report saying prices are poised to drop further because of the growing glut of oil supplies.

In their report, "Swinging Lower," James Burkhard, vice president, and Jamie Webster and Bhushan Bahree, senior directors at IHS, write that, for U.S. production to fall enough to significantly impact the global oil surplus, prices will have to be in the low $40s or even $30s for a time.

"Such price levels would reduce cash flow even further, forcing an additional reduction in capital expenditures, and likely diminish even further the willingness of the capital markets to fund U.S. upstream companies," they wrote.

The report indicates that domestic production would have to fall from the 9.7 million barrels a day recorded in April to 9 million barrels a day "to even begin an erosion in the global supply glut."

With lower prices, U.S. crude oil production in the second half of 2015 would record its first significant decline in more than seven years. A severe drop in prices, lasting several months, would then increase the likelihood of a significant price increase in 2016–17. Production growth from the rest of the world, including Saudi Arabia and Iraq, is unlikely to keep pace with demand growth if U.S. production falls appreciably, according to the report.

The IHS authors cite a 2 million barrel increase in output, most notably from the U.S. Saudi Arabia and Iraq, since November 2014.

Steffens disputed those figures, saying the production and demand figures reported by the U.S. Energy Information Administration and the International Energy Agency are derived from flawed formulas.

"Those formulas are trend-driven. Periods of significant change in oil prices or a significant change in outlook are not reflected in their figures for months. They're just now starting to report production declines," he said.

He predicted the agencies will soon play "catch-up" by reporting massive declines in production through the remainder of the year.

He also points to what he calls the simple math of the impact of the steep decline in drilling activity on production.

"You can't drop 1,000 rigs and not see a drop in production," he said.

The unconventional shale oil wells that have been driving the nation's growth in production typically decline 50 percent or more in the first year, Steffens said. Combine that with the sharp drop in drilling and the fact that well completions are down 60 percent from a year ago and "the math does not work," he said.

"We may be oversupplied with cheap oil, but we're not oversupplied with oil," Steffens said. "The agencies don't understand that when oil prices fall, people use more oil."

In its report, IHS said a decline in output to 9 million barrels a day would mean the U.S. rig count would fall to about 600 by the fourth quarter of this year and then to between 400 and 450 rigs next year before "the great revival of American oil production."

The recent agreement between Iran and six world powers, including the United States, for oversight of its nuclear activities in return for removal of economic sanctions, is actually another reason Steffens is bullish on prices.

Though some are concerned about the return of Iranian oil to an already-glutted market, Steffens said any agreement will not take effect until the International Atomic Energy Agency inspects Iran's nuclear sites and agrees the country is complying with the agreement. He said that Iran has refused to let the agency inspect its sites for more than a decade. Any such inspections and report of compliance won't occur until next year at the earliest, he said.

In addition, Steffens said much of the Iranian crude being stored in tankers off that nation's shores is of such poor quality that almost no one will want to buy it.

The analysts agree on one thing: The U.S. oil industry may be facing some significant bumps ahead, but a bright future because only the U.S. has the capacity to increase production enough to meet future world demand.

Marathon Oil CEO says company can profit with low oil prices

By Jordan Blum
Houston Chronicle

Marathon Oil President and CEO Lee Tillman said Thursday the company could sell 70 percent of its crude inventory at a profit with U.S. oil at $50 a barrel, but that the company will still operate with discipline in this low oil price environment.

While Marathon still has plenty of liquidity, the Houston-based exploration and production company posted a $386 million net income loss in the second quarter of the year.

Tillman said Marathon will maintain its 4.2 percent dividend yield while looking to sell non-core assets and continuing to reduce spending. Marathon reduced its 2015 capital spending to $3.3 billion, from about $3.5 billion, and he said it could be further reduced later this year. Marathon spent $5.5 billion in capital last year.

"We would anticipate certainly a materially lower (2016) budget than where we're at with $3.3 billion," Tillman said in a conference call.

Tillman said Marathon is putting a heavy focus going forward on its undeveloped Oklahoma acreage in the Stack and SCOOP — south-central Oklahoma oil province — plays, as well as its ongoing efficient production in Texas' Eagle Ford Shale.

Without giving details on the buyer or buyers, Marathon is in the process of selling $100 million in natural gas assets in east Texas, north Louisiana and Oklahoma. Tillman said Marathon plans to sell at least $500 million in non-core assets with no set deadline in mind.

Raymond James & Associates analyst Pavel Molchanov questioned whether Marathon would "leave money on the table" by selling assets when so many other companies are putting acreage up for sale.

Tillman said Marathon will only make sales when there are strong offers to buy, such as with the pending $100 million deal.

"We don't view these as distressed assets," Tillman said.

In an analyst note, Molchanov said Marathon's earnings came in near expectations and that its dividend yield and historical track record of capital discipline are positive indicators going forward.

The second quarter loss of $386 million, or 57 cents per share, swung down from the $360 million profit, or 53 cents per share, the company posted during the same time period last year.

Worldwide, Marathon Oil pumped 6 percent more oil and natural gas than the same time last year, excluding Libya. Its U.S. production numbers were even higher, with Marathon Oil squeezing 30 percent more from its fields than it did during the second quarter of 2014. The swell in production happened at the same time that production costs in North America tumbled 30 percent in a year, the company said.

In its scramble to cut back amid a global crude slump, Marathon Oil trimmed about 20 percent from its budget, or $100 million total from the same time last year, through reduced exploration and production expenses coupled with reductions in overall general and administrative costs. Capital spending plunged 40 percent as the company pulled back from U.S. shale plays.

Nabors CEO: Expect flat oil rig counts in the second half

By Collin Eaton
Houston Chronicle

HOUSTON — The CEO of rig contractor Nabors Industries told investors Wednesday most oil companies are talking about keeping their fleets of drilling rigs flat because of the recent slump in oil prices, and some are bringing rigs down.

Nabors CEO Anthony Petrello said the tone of conversations with oil companies has changed since mid-May, when customers were talking about plans to steadily roll out drilling rigs in the second half of the year as the U.S. crude price had come up to about $57 a barrel at the time.

"Those people who had told us about plans to increase are now going back and saying we need to reconfirm given oil prices," Petrello said. "We haven't heard yet a dramatic drop in rigs but people are fine-tuning now in light of oil prices and I think it's a function of how long we stay in this $40 range."

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Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
XBC Giddings Estate #1172H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 7471 fnl, 3321 fel, Sec 1, Abst. 542, Throckmorton CSL, 19.5 n Rankin; TD 9468 TVD, 16665 MD; Comp 7/7/2015; producing from 9439-16341, fracture stimulated; flow 911 BO, 1029 MCF, 2293 BW, FTP 593 psi, 42.7 Oil Gravity; API #42-461-39623

Texas RRCD 8

Andrews County

Ring Energy Inc.
12th Man State #1
Block A-34 (San Andres); 467 fnl, 467 fel, Sec 8, Blk A-34, Abst. 1676, PSL, 14 nnw Andrews; TD 6176; Comp 7/3/2015; producing from 4634-4762, fracture stimulated; pump 145 BO, 34 MCF, 359 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-46290

Crane County

Henry Resources LLC
Univhope #1615
University 31 West (Upper Devonian); 660 fsl, 660 fel, Sec 16, Blk 31, Abst. 66U, ULS, 10.3 nw Crane; TD 10300; Comp 7/21/2015; producing from 7834-10134, fracture stimulated; pump 22 BO, 6 MCF, 99 BW, 41 Oil Gravity; API #42-103-36434

Ector County

XTO Energy Inc.
C.A. Goldsmith et al #2501
Goldsmith (Clearfork); 1270 fnl, 9179 fel, Sec 3, Blk 44, Abst. 271, T&P RR, 0.8 sw Goldsmith; TD 6694; Comp 7/7/2015; producing from 5510-5828, fracture stimulated; pump 116 BO, 112 MCF, 5709 BW, 38 Oil Gravity; API #42-135-43332

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Gaines County

XTO Energy Inc.
Russell Clearfork Unit #584
Russell (Clearfork Consolidated);
1982 fwl, 1374 fnl, Sec 457, Blk G, Abst. 38,CCSD&RGNG, 7.3 sw Denver City; TD 7910; Comp 7/7/2015; producing from 7411-7714, treated with 5,000 gals. acid and fracture stimulated; pump 102 BO, 10 MCF, 330 BW, 33.6 Oil Gravity; API #42-165-38308

New Mexico

Eddy County

COG Operating LLC
Burch Keely Unit #935
Burch Keely; Sec 13 T17S R29E; 1650/S & 200/W. BHL: 1668/S & 341/W; EL 3619 GL, TD 10123 MD, 4868 TVD, PBTD 9982; Spud 12-24-14, Comp 2-9-15; production is through treated perfs: 5148-9967. Treat; Acdz w/60,621 gals 15% acid, Frac w/1,810,682 gals gel, 284,733 gals trl wtr, 209,526 gasl wtr frac, 3,698,008# 20/40 brown, 688,220# 20/40 CRC. IP: 2-14-15 Pump 24 hrs 900 BO, 1101 BW, 557 MCF, GOR 619, Gty 40.4. Cog: 13 3/8 @ 337 w/400 sx, 9 5/8 @ 1082 w/550 sx, 7 @ 4296, 5 1/2 @ 4296-10120 w/1750 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4219; API #30-015-42748

Apache Corp.
Lee Federal #79
Cedar Lake; Sec 20 T17S R31E; 1710/S & 330/W; EL 3619 GL, TD 6400, PBTD 6380; Spud 5-8-14, Comp 8-23-14; production is through treated perfs: 4718-4777, 4797-5296, 5417-6206. Treat: 4748 gals 15% HCL, 483,6748 total proppant. IP: 7031014 Pump 24 hrs/91 BO, 274 BW, 274 MCF, GOR 1813, Gty 39. Cog: 13 3/8 @ 302 w/380 sx, 8 5/8 @ 3500 w/1200 sx, 5 1/2 @ 6400 w/1020 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6313; API #30-015-42190

Yates Petroleum Corp.
BENSON Deep BDX Federal #2
South Leo; Sec 33 T18S R30E; 380/N & 560/W. BHL: 665/S & 278/E; EL 3454 GL, TD 12753, PBTD 12696; Spud 5-29-14, Comp 1-20-15; production is through treated perfs: 8548-12576. Treat: Acdz w/47,000 gals 15% HCL acid, Frac w/5,996,162# 16/30 super LC & 20/40 white sd. IP: 3-9-15 Pump 24 hrs 440 BO, 1376 BW, 520 MCF. Cag: 20 @ 80 w/12 sx, 13 3/8 @ 461 w/778 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2065 w/670 sx, 5 1/2 @ 12743 w/2215 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7939; API #30-015-41966

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Mirage 30 B2HE State Com #1
Parkway; Sec 30 T19S R29E; 1700/N & 150/E. BHL: 1746/N & 334/W; EL 3310 Gl, TD 12010, PBTD 12000; Spud 11-13-14, Comp 3-21-15; production is through perfs: 8222-12000. IP: 3-23-15 Pump 24 hrs 158 BO, 3110 BW, 41 MCF. Cag: 13 3/8 @ 305 w/530 sx, 9 5/8 @ 1262 w/400 sx, 6 @ 8136 w/1000 sx, 4 1/2 @ 7889-12005, 2 7/8 @ 7540; API #30-015-42131

Emkay Companies LLC
Stiletto 16 State #7
North Seven Rivers; Sec 16 T20S R25E; 330/n & 355/W. BHL: 349/S & 2227/W; EL 3463 GL, TD 7210; Spud 11-1-14, Comp 2-25-15; production is through perfs: 2750-6777. IP: 2-26-15 Pump 24 hrs 1571 BO, 1571 BW, 0 MCF. Cag: 9 5/8 @ 924 w/530 sx, 5 1/2 @ 7200 w/1955 sx; API #30-015-40194

Emkay Companies LLC
Stiletto 16 State #8
North Seven Rivers; Sec 16 T20S R25E; 331/N & 355/W. BHL: 369/S & 388/W; EL 3463 GL, TD 7137; Spud 11-25-14, Comp 3-1-15; production is through perfs: 2750-6652. IP: 3-2-15 Pump 24 hrs 943.3 BO, 941.9 BW, 0 MCF. Cag: 9 5/8 @ 923 w/330 sx, 5 1/2 @ 7127 w/1467 sx; API #30-015-42661

Emkay Companies LLC
Stiletto 16 State #9
North Seven Rivers; Sec 16 T20S R25E; 330/N & 1265/W. BHL: 358/S & 1293/W; EL 3465 GL, TD 7108; Spud 12-15-14, Comp 3-4-15; production is through perfs: 2750-6627. IP: 3-5-15 Pump 24 hrs 806.4 BO, 806.4 BW, 0 MCF. Cag: 9 5/8 @ 920 w/550 sx, 5 1/2 @ 7106 w/1405 sx; API #30-015-42807

Oxy USA Inc.
Federal 23 #13
Livingston Ridge; Sec 26 T22S R31E; 610/N & 2277/W. BHL: 371/N & 1888/W; EL 3569 GL, TD 13301 MD, 8256 TVD, PBTD 13296 MD, 8256 TVD; Spud 10-31-14, Comp 1-31-15; production is through treated perfs: 8866-13242. Treat: 166241 gals trt wtr + 71700 gals 15% HCL acid + 2113196 gals linear gel w/3726767# sd. IP: 3-8-15 Pump 24 hrs 740 BO, 623 BW, 87 MCF, GOR 118. Cag: 13 3/8 @ 900 w/650 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4467 w/2060 sx, 7 @ 8735 w/740 sx, 4 1/2 @ 7645-13296, 2 7/8 @ 7581; API #30-015-41636

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Spud 16 State #12
Laguna Salado; Sec 16 T23S R29E; 1980/S & 660/E. BHL: 647/S & 371/W; EL 2960 GL, TD 12898. PBTD 12840.2; Spud 5-20-14, Comp 2-13-15; production is through perfs: 8086-12766. IP: 3-4-15 Pump 24 hrs 552 BO, 781 BW, 843 MCF, Cag: 13 3/8 @ 362 w/490 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2991 w/955 sx, 5 1/2 @ 12891 w/2693 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7300.4; API #30-015-41150

Occidental Permian Ltd.
Devon 8 Fee #4
Hay Hollow; Sec 8 T25S R28E; 1980/N & 370/E. BHL: 2021/N & 96/W; EL 3020 GL, TD 12655 MD, 7986 TVD, PBTD 12560 MD, 7986 TVD; Spud 11-14-14, Comp 1-29-15; production is through perfs: 8281-12380. IP: 3-9-15 Pump 24 hrs 383 BO, 767 BW, 644 MCF. Cag: 11 1/2 @ 445 w/450 sx, 8 5/8 @ 2468 w/710 sx, 5 1/2 @ 12655 w/1435 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7365; API #30-015-42642

COG Operating LLC
Horned Owl Federal #1
Wildcat; Sec 25 T26S R26E; 20/N & 330/W BHL: 349/S & 479/W; EL 3415.1 GL, TD 11930 MD, 7318 TVD, PBTD 11880 MD, 7318 TVD; Spud 1-23-15, Comp 3-5-15; production is through treated perfs: 7595-11781, 11830-11840. Treat: Acdz w/85169 gals 7 1/2%, Frac w/6263993#-sd & 5157527 gals fluid. IP: 3-24-15 Flow 24 hrs 590 BO, 2549 BW, 640 MCF, 46/64" Ch, TP 570. Cag: 13 3/8 @ 295 w/350 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2012 w/800 sx, 5 1/2 @ 11930 w/2300 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7563; API #30-015-42484

Lea County

Linn Operating Inc.
Phillips Lea #104
Vacuum; Sec 31 T17S R34E; 942/S & 443/W; EL 4096 GL, TD 5011, PBTD 4959; Spud 10-1-14, Comp 11-7-14; production is through treated perfs: 4465-4644, 4711-4742. Treat: 1611153# 20/40 white sd, 46359# 20/40 SLC sd. IP: 11-19-14 Pump 24 hrs 23 BO, 211 BW, 20 MCF. Cag: 8 5/8 @ 1580 w/572 sx, 5 1/2 @ 5009 w/925 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4792; API #30-025-42003

COG Operating LLC
King Air 8 Federal #4
Lusk; Sec 8 T19S R32E; 58/S & 982/W, BHL: 342/N & 650/W; EL 3611 GL, TD 13834 MD, 9234 TVD, PBTD 13780 MD, 9234 TVD; Spud 1-16-15, Comp 3-12-15; production is through treated perfs: 9410-13680, 13720-13740. Treat: Acdz w/93870 gals 7 1/2% acid, Frac w/6792881# sd & 5607756 gals fluid. IP: 3-29-15 Pump 24 hrs 488 BO, 1184 BW, 316 MCF. Cag: 13 3/8 @ 1000 w/775 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4482 w/1900 sx, 5 1/2 @ 13834 w/2800 sx, 2 7/8 @ 8749; API #30-025-42200

Nadel & Gussman Permian LLC
Raptor West 3 State #4
Scharb; Sec 3 T19S R34E; 250/S & 330/E. BHL: 330/N & 330/E; EL 3988 GL, TD 15,212, PBTD 15,133; Spud 10-20-14, Comp 2-1-15; production is through treated perfs: 10924-14995. Treat: 14,922 bbls slick wtr, 61,809 bbls frac fluid, 625,730 mesh, 4,508,070 sd. IP: 2-9-15 Flow 24 hrs 378 BO, 386 BW, 198 MCF, 26/64" Ch, CP 300. Cag: 13 3/8 @ 3838 w/1103 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3527 w/1000 sx, 5 1/2 @ 15232 w/2365 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10379; API #30-025-42173

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Marathon Road 15 NC Federal #1
Lea; Sec 15 T20S R34E; 180/S & 1800/W. BHL: 333/S & 1643/W; EL 3646 GL, TD 15515 MD, 10914 TVD, PBTD 15490 MD, 10916 TVD; Spud 1-10-15, Comp 3-15-15; production is through treated perfs: 11383-15490. Treat: Frac in 25 stages w/503,496 gals SW, 251,958# gals 20# linear gel, 1,092,924 gals 20# XL. IP: 3-18-15 Flow 24 hrs 565 BO, 1020 BW, 422 MCF, 19/64" Ch, CP 1465, GOR 747, Gty 42.6. Cag: 13 3/8 @ 1023 w/1150 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2946 w/3100 sx, 4 1/2 @ 11070-15495; API #30-025-42201

ConocoPhillips Co.
SEMU #245
Skaggs; Sec 19 T20S R38E; 1528/S & 2204/E; EL 3536 GL, TD 4262; Spud 8-18-14, Comp 11-17-14; production is through treated perfs: 3880-4020. Treat: 2000 gals 15% acid, 42,000# proppanis. IP: 11-23-14 Flow 24 hrs 50 BO, 424 BW, 86 MCF, TP 200, CP 100, GOR 1720, Gty 36.1. Cag: 8 5/8 @ 1403 w/1222 sx, 5 1/2 @ 4219 w/814 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4107; API #30-025-42017

Oxy USA WTP LP
Anderson 35 #5
Red Tank; Sec 35 T21S R32E; 980/S & 100/W. BHL: 901/S & 18[illegible] E; EL 3685 GL, TD 14581 MD, 9897 TVD, PBTD 14550 MD, 9897 TVD; Spud 12-4-14, Comp 2-6-15; production is through treated perfs: 10004-14514. Treat: 202280 gals slick wtr + 41425 gals 15% HCL acid + 2114280 gals 15# linear gel w/6862340# sd. IP: 3-17-15 Flow 24 hrs 109 BO, 391 BW, 232 MCF, 20/64" ch, TP 420, CP 100, GOR 2128. Cag: 11 1/2 @ 1005 w/780 sx, 8 5/8 @ 4766 w/1530 sx, 5 1/2 @ 14653 w/1930 sx, 2 7/8 @ 9250; API #30-025-42123

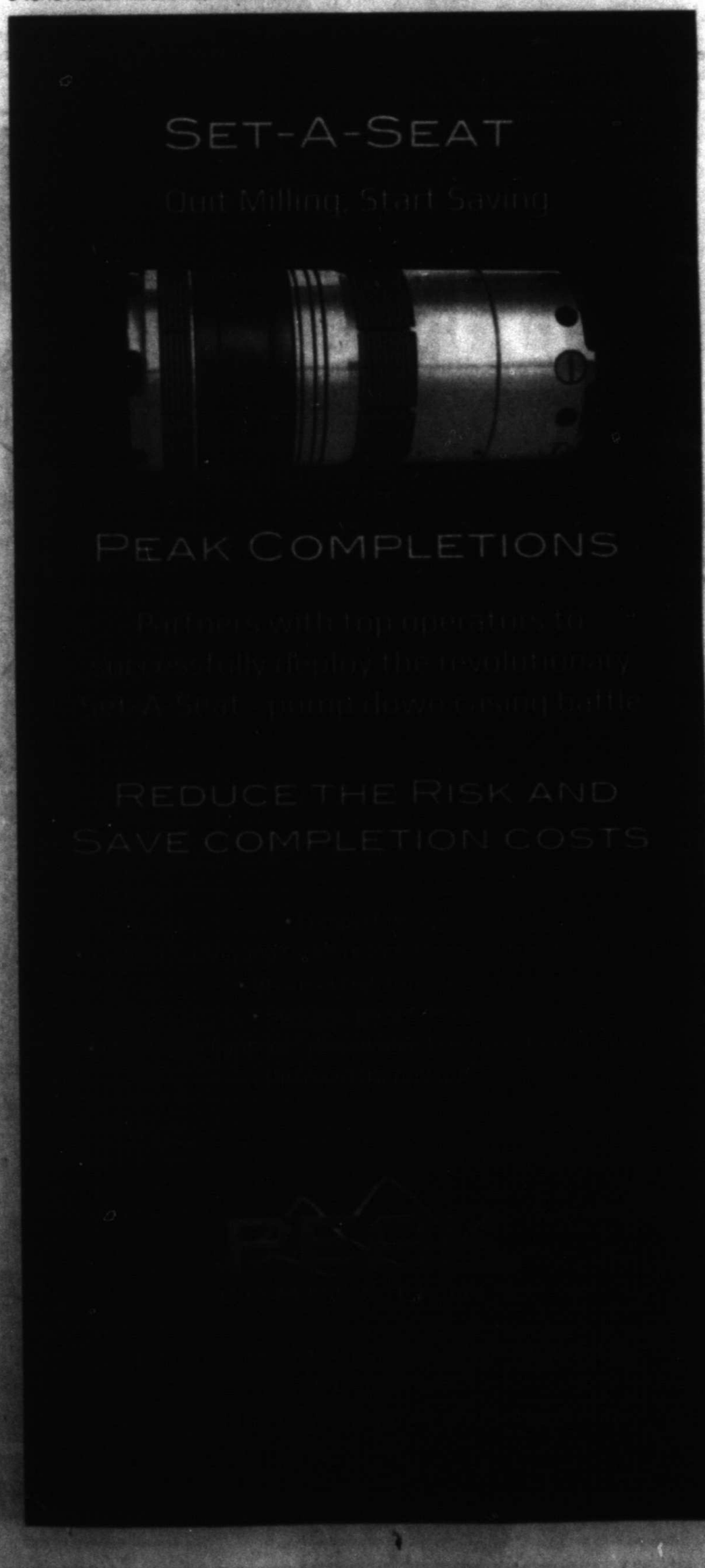
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Regeneration Energy Corp.
E Livingston 31 Federal #6
Sand Dunes; Sec 31 T22S R32E: 190/S & 330/W; EL 3490 Gl, TD 14802 MD, 10274 TVD, PBTD 14800 MD, 10274 TVD; Spud 11-29-14, Comp 1-12-15; production is through treated perfs: 11010-14640. Treat: 71,500 gasl 7.5% acid, 5,841,850# sd, 4,656,422 gals fluid. IP: 1-21-15 Flow 24 hrs 213 BO, 2160 BW, 200 MCF, 20/64" Ch, CP 2100. Cag: 13 3/8 @ 840 w/650 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5085 w/1350 sx, 5 1/2 @ 13021 w/2400 sx; API #30-025-41926

COG Operating LLC
Queso State #5
Triste Draw; Sec 36 T23S R32E: 400/S & 1160/E. BHL: 366/N & 1024/E; EL 3643 Gl, TD 14134, PBTD 14080; Spud 12-18-14, Comp 3-14-15; production is through treated perfs: 10021-13960. Treat: Acdz w/85601 gals 7 1/2%, Frac w/6660148# sd & 6816049 gals fluid. IP: 4-5-15 Flow 24 hrs 691 BO, 1135 BW, 1260 MCF, 30/64" Ch, TP 500. Cag: 13 3/8 @ 1202 w/1050 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4984 w/1350 sx, 5 1/2 @ 14134 w/2100 sx, 2 7/8 @ 9268; API #30-025-41800

Yates Petroleum Corp.
Caravan State Unit #6
East Triste Draw; Sec 33 T24S R33E; 50/N & 1980/W. BHL: 330/N & 1978/W; EL 3469 GL, TD 15,872, PBTD 15,867; Spud 10-17-14, Comp 2-23-15; production is through treated perfs: 11373-15853. Treat: Acdz w/209,000 gals 15% HCL acid, Frac w/4,824,640# 20/40 & 30/50 prop master sd. IP: 3-4-15 Flow 24 hrs 664 BO, 2282 BW, 221 MCF, 30/64" Ch, TP 650. Cag: 20 @ 120 w/351 sx, 13 3/8 @ 1214 w/710 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5218 w/1435 sx, 5 1/2 @ 15870 w/2382 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10492; API #30-025-41610

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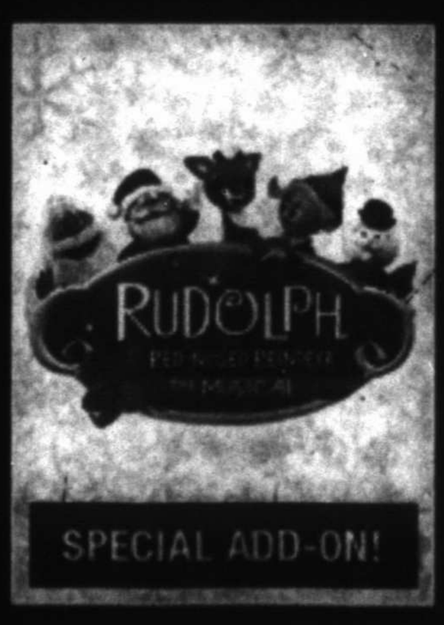
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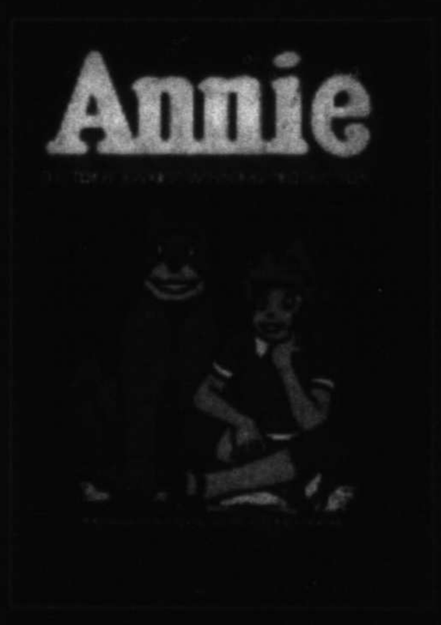
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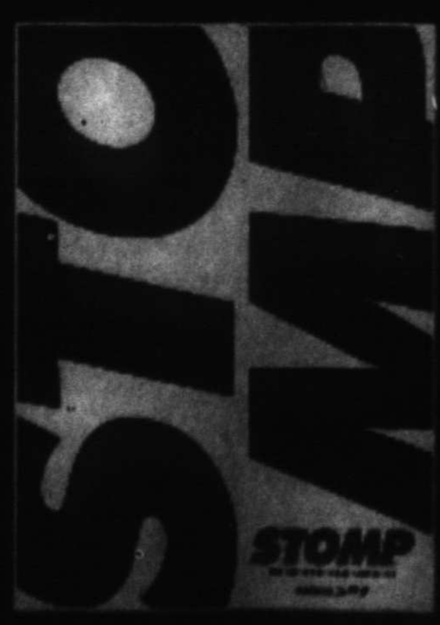
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Howard County

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, ROSE PETAL (LO MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 1 THOMPSON 48, 475 FWL 475 FNL, SEC 48 BLK 33 T1S, T&P/ S BALLARD SUR., A-1460 12000', 4 SE ELBOW API# 42-227-38501

HANNATHON PETROLEUM, LLC, PETEY (FUSSELMAN) (O) DRILL Well# 1 ABILENE 43, 467 FNL 467 FWL, SEC 43 BLK 31 T1N, T&P SUR., A-101 11000', 2 SW SAND SPRINGS API# 42-227-38503

HANNATHON PETROLEUM, LLC, PETEY (FUSSLEMAN) (O) DRILL Well# 2 ALLAR 19B, 467 FSL 467 FEL, SEC 19 BLK 31 T1S, T&P SUR., A-113 10000', 5 SW SAND SPRINGS API# 42-227-38502

Loving County

APACHE CORPORATION, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 210H CONDOR, 369 FNEL 1323 FNWL, SEC 87 BLK 33, H&TC SUR., A-11 12000', 3 NW MENTONE API# 42-301-32549

EOG RESOURCES, INC., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H STATE VIKING E 7, 228 FSL 1280 FEL, SEC 16 BLK 54 T1, T&P/W HAGEN SUR., A-942 13000', 18 NW MENTONE API# 42-301-32550

EOG RESOURCES, INC., SANDBAR (BONE SPRING) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4H ORIÓN MID, 200 FNL 2258 FWL, SEC 24 BLK 54 T1, T&P/ CF CARMINE SUR., A-1265 11000', 17 N MENTONE API# 42-301-32547

EOG RESOURCES, INC., SANDBAR (BONE SPRING) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3H STATE VIKING E, 229 FSL 1250 FEL, SEC 16 BLK 54 T1, T&P/W HAGEN SUR., A-942 11000', 18 NW MENTONE API# 42-301-32551

EOG RESOURCES, INC., SANDBAR (BONE SPRING) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4H STATE VIKING E, 229 FSL 1310 FEL, SEC 16 BLK 54 T1, T&P/W HAGEN SUR., A-942 11000', 18 NW MENTONE API# 42-301-32552

MATADOR PROD. CO., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 207H JOHNSON 44-02S-B53 WF, 80 FNL 80 FSEL, SEC 6 BLK 2, W&NW/WD JOHNSON SUR., A-1108 12060', 5 NE MENTONE API# 42-301-32511

XTO ENERGY INC., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H JIN 54-10, 400 FSL 600 FEL, SEC 3 BLK 54 T1, T&P SUR., A-45 12500', 19 NW MENTONE API# 42-301-32546

XTO ENERGY INC., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H SUN 54-2, 250 FNL 460 FEL, SEC 2 BLK 54 T1, T&P/EF CAMERON SUR., A-1260 12500', 20 NW MENTONE API# 42-301-32541

Martin County

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORP., SPRABERRY (TREND) (IN,I) (RECLASS) Well# 25D JONES-HOLTON, 764 FNL 4751 FEL, SEC 321, RUSK CSL SUR., A-605 12000', 21 NW STANTON API# 42-317-36826

Midland County

COG OPERATING, LLC, PEGASUS (CONS) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 911LH PEGASUS FIELD UNIT 3, 2530 FSL 1320 FEL, SEC 29 BLK 40 T4S, T&P SUR., A-307 12000', 23 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-40146

COG OPERATING, LLC, PEGASUS (CONS) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1007LH PEGASUS FIELD UNIT 3, 2395 FSL 1320 FEL, SEC 29 BLK 40 T4S, T&P SUR., A-307 12000', 26 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-40148

COG OPERATING, LLC, PEGASUS (CONS) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1007BH PEGASUS FIELD UNIT 3, 2440 FSL 1320 FEL, SEC 29 BLK 40 T4S, T&P SUR., A-307 12000', 26 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-40147

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, ROSE PETAL (LO MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 1 BURLESON 12, 475 FSL 2165 FWL, SEC 12 BLK 36 T2S, T&P/ WD WATTS SUR., A-731 12000', 4 SW GREENWOOD API# 42-329-40171

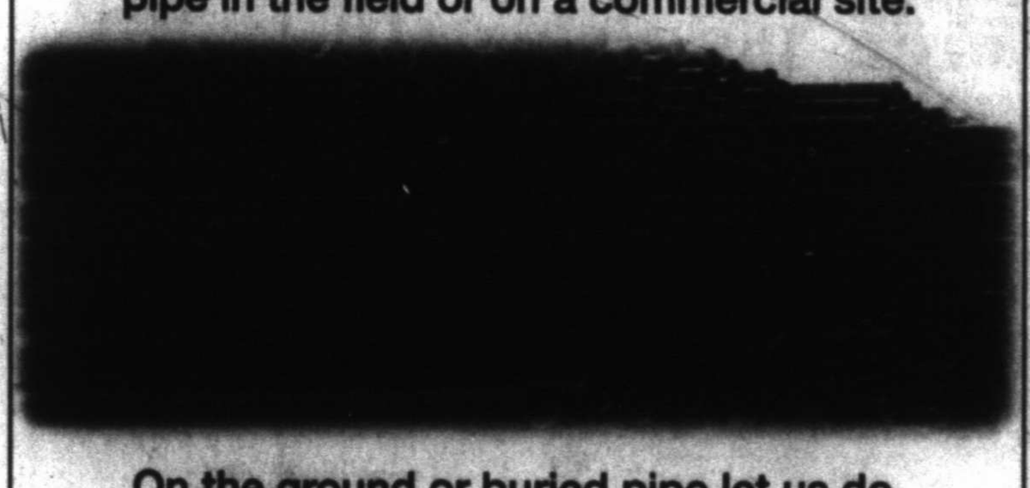
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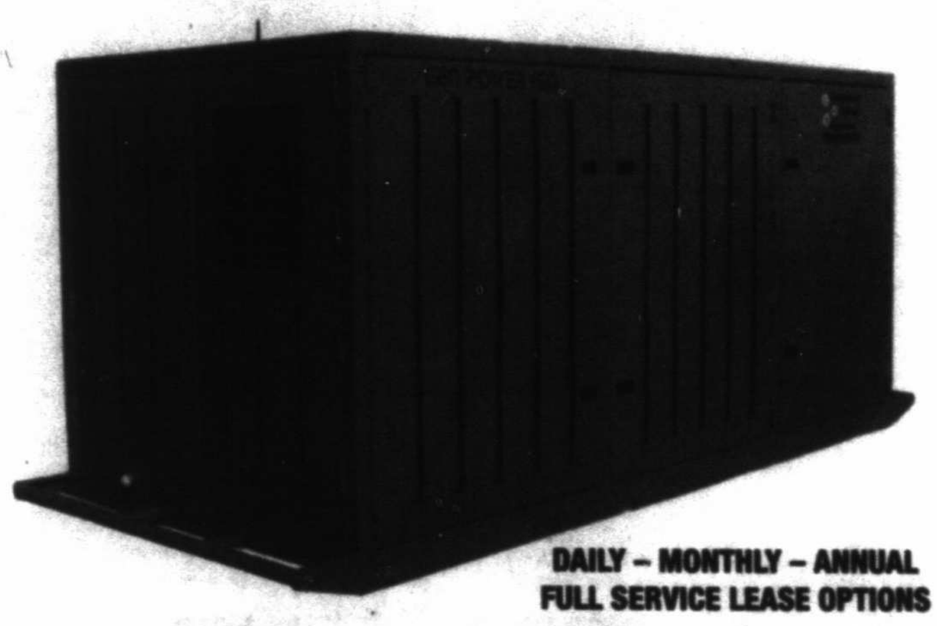
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DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2505LS ST NW, 2038 FEL 260 FNL, SEC 25 BLK 41, T&P SUR., A-337 11000', 5 W MIDLAND API# 42-329-40152

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4406LS ST-ST S F, 2412 FWL 666 FSL, SEC 41 BLK 40, T&P SUR., A-260 11000', 5 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-40145

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4405LS ST-ST S E, 2410 FWL 636 FSL, SEC 41 BLK 40, T&P SUR., A-260 11000', 5 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-40144

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 705MS ST W, 1815 FWL 293 FSL, SEC 7 BLK 40 T2S, T&P SUR., A-50 10000', 6 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-40173

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 705LS ST W, 1785 FWL 293 FSL, SEC 7 BLK 40 T2S, T&P SUR., A-50 10000', 6 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-40172

HIGH SKY PARTNERS LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 111WA ISBELL HORIZONTAL UNIT, 2416 FNL 1943 FWL, SEC 1 BLK X, HP HILLIARD SUR., A-11 12000', 4 N MIDLAND API# 42-329-40110

HIGH SKY PARTNERS LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 109LS ISBELL HORIZONTAL UNIT, 2416 FNL 1843 FWL, SEC 1 BLK X, HP HILLIARD SUR., A-11 12000', 4 N MIDLAND API# 42-329-40000

HIGH SKY PARTNERS LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 110WB ISBELL HORIZONTAL UNIT, 2416 FNL 1893 FWL, SEC 1 BLK X, HP HILLIARD SUR., A-11 12000', 4 N MIDLAND API# 42-329-40090

LARIO OIL & GAS COMPANY, SPRA (TREND) R 40.EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 101WB PEGGY, 225 FNL 845 FEL, SEC 8 BLK 37 T3S, T&P/FA FOWLER SUR., A-905 11503', 14 SE MIDLAND API# 42-329-40169

LARIO OIL & GAS COMPANY, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 102WA PEGGY, 250 FNL 845 FEL, SEC 8 BLK 37 T3S, T&P/FA FOWLER SUR., A-905 11503', 14 SE MIDLAND API# 42-329-40162

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H MCCLINTIC E, 294 FSL 685 FWL, SEC 10, J LACY SUR., A-1085 10300', 15 E MIDLAND API# 42-329-40166

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H MCCLINTIC E, 640 FWL 295 FSL, SEC 10, J LACY SUR., A-1085 10300', 15 E MIDLAND API# 42-329-40165

RSP PERMIAN, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4821MS SPANISH TRAIL 48-08C, 2486 FSL 1360 FWL, SEC 48 BLK 40 T1S, T&P/J SCHARBAUER SUR., A-830 12000', 5 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-40149

RSP PERMIAN, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4823WD SPANISH TRAIL 48-05J, 2486 FSL 2000 FWL, SEC 48 BLK 40 T1S, T&P/J SCHARBAUER SUR., A-830 12000', 5 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-40153

RSP PERMIAN, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4825LS SPANISH TRAIL 48-05E, 2485 FSL 2644 FEL, SEC 48 BLK 40, T&P SUR. 12000', 5 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-40155

RSP PERMIAN, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4823MS SPANISH TRAIL 48-06C, 2486 FSL 1960 FWL, SEC 48 BLK 40 T1S, T&P/J SCHARBAUER SUR., A-830 12000', 5 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-40154

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RSP PERMIAN, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4826WB SPANISH TRAIL 48-05H, 2485 FSL 2560 FWL, SEC 48 BLK 40 T1S, T&P/J SCHARBAUER SUR., A-830 12000', 5 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-40168

RSP PERMIAN, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4828LS SPANISH TRAIL 48-04E, 2485 FSL 2600 FWL, SEC 48 BLK 40 T1S, T&P/J SCHARBAUER SUR., A-830 12000', 5 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-40167

Reeves County

BHP BILLITON PET (TXLA OP) CO., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H STATE SCOOTER 56-T2-33X28, 2561 FNL 630 FWL, SEC 33 BLK 56 T2, T&P SUR., A-592 14000', 3 SE ORLA API# 42-389-34803

CAIRD OPER., LLC, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) (HORZ) (PCMP) Well# 9H R CLEVELAND ET AL, 1321 FNL 1594 FEL, SEC 50 BLK 6, H&GN SUR., A-1785 11000', 13 SE PECOS API# 42-389-33923

OXY USA WTP LP, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 11H LEIGH STATE 40, 300 FNL 467 FWL, SEC 40 BLK 51 T7S, T&P/MC FORD SUR., A-2813 13500', 15 S PECOS API# 42-389-34805

XTO ENERGY INC., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 5H HURLEY 56-18, 200 FNL 1963 FEL, SEC 18 BLK 56 T2, T&P/LT COX SUR., A-2024 10300', 2 N ORLA API# 42-389-34812

XTO ENERGY INC., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 7H HURLEY 56-18, 349 FNL 448 FEL, SEC 18 BLK 56 T2, T&P/LT COX SUR., A-2024 10300', 2 N ORLA API# 42-389-34813

XTO ENERGY INC., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H HURLEY 56-18, 200 FNL 517 FWL, SEC 18 BLK 56 T2, T&P/LT COX SUR., A-2024 10300', 2 N ORLA API# 42-389-34810

XTO ENERGY INC., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3H HURLEY 56-18, 200 FNL 1930 FWL, SEC 18 BLK 56 T2, T&P/LT COX SUR., A-2024 10300', 2 N ORLA API# 42-389-34811

Ward County

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) (HORZ) (RE-ENTER) Well# 1H MARROW STATE 86, 2314 FNWL 1791 FNEL, SEC 86 BLK 34, H&TC/ ER MCLEAN/GH TUCKER SUR., A-1296 13000', 6 S PYOTE API# 42-475-30688

SAGA PETRO. LLC OF COLORADO, SHIPLEY (QUEEN SAND) (O) DRILL Well# 1509 SHIPLEY QUEEN SAND UNIT, 1339 FNEL 1961 FSEL, SEC 16 BLK 5, H&TC/ HW HINKLE SUR., A-1253 3200', 3 N GRANDFALLS API# 42-475-36992

SAGA PETRO. LLC OF COLORADO, SHIPLEY (QUEEN SAND) (O) DRILL Well# 1511 SHIPLEY QUEEN SAND UNIT, 85 FSWL 2535 FNWL, SEC 17 BLK 5, H&TC SUR., A-313 3200', 3 N GRANDFALLS API# 42-475-36993

SAGA PETRO. LLC OF COLORADO, SHIPLEY (QUEEN SAND) (O) DRILL Well# 1512 SHIPLEY QUEEN SAND UNIT, 56 FSWL 2002 FSEL, SEC 17 BLK 5, H&TC SUR., A-313 3200', 3 N GRANDFALLS API# 42-475-36994

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Gaines County

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., JENKINS (SAN ANDRES) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 1 TALIAFERRO UNIT, 311 FSL 199 FEL, SEC 5 BLK A25, PSL/FE BECKWITH SUR., A-906 9074', 14 NE SEMINOLE API# 42-165-36832

XTO ENERGY INC., RUSSELL (CLEARFORK) (O) DRILL Well# 330 RUSSELL CLEARFORK UNIT, 1175 FNL 2491 FEL, SEC 454 BLK G, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-628 8100', 7 SW DENVER CITY API# 42-165-38306

Yoakum County

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD., WASSON (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 3120 DENVER UNIT, 1296 FNL 1343 FEL, SEC 660 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ JC KELLER SUR., A-1533 5800', 5 W DENVER CITY API# 42-501-30928

New Mexico

Eddy County

COG Operating LLC Burch Keely Unit #510 Burch Keely; Sec 13 T17S R29E; 715/N & 2229/W; 3 mi NW Loco Hills; Rot 4677 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-43107

COG Operating LLC Burch Keely Unit #655 Burch Keely; Sec 19 T17S R29E; 115/S & 2150/W; 2 mi W Loco Hills; Rot 4950 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-43102

COG Operating LLC Burch Keely Unit #904 Burch Keely; Sec 13 T17S R29E; 1425/N & 2310/E; 3 mi NW Loco Hills; Rot 4680 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-43104

Lime Rock Resources II-A LP Leavitt 13E #6 Atoka; Sec 6 T18S R26E; 2180/N & 495/W; 3 1/2 mi S Artesia; Rot 4940 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-43111

Lime Rock Resources II-A LP Leavitt 13F #5 Atoka; Sec 13 T18S R26E; 2160/N & 1700/W; 6 1/2 mi SE Artesia; Rot 5042 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-43110

Lime Rock Resources II-A LP Higgens Cahoon 11A #1 Atoka; Sec 11 T18S R26E; 990/N & 330/E; 5 mi SE Artesia; Rot 4750 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-43117

Lime Rock Resources II-A LP Higgens Cahoon 12A #3 Atoka; Sec 12 T18S R26E; 990/N & 990/W; 6 mi SE Artesia; Rot 4603 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-43116

Lime Rock Resources II-A LP Vandergriff 13 M #2 Atoka; Sec 13 T18S R26E; 330/S & 330/W; 6 1/2 mi SE Artesia; Rot 4750 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-43109

Lime Rock Resources II-A LP Kaiser 7L #16 Red Lake; Sec 7 T18S R27W; 2220/S & 330/W; 7 mi SE Artesia; Rot 4530 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-43115

Lime Rock Resources II-A LP Kaiser 7N #5 Red Lake; Sec 7 T18S R27E; 990/S & 1650/W; 7 mi SE Artesia; Rot 4550 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-43114

Lime Rock Resources II-A LP Kaiser 7N #6 Red Lake; Sec 7 T18S R27E; 330/S & 2280/W; 7 mi SE Artesia; Rot 4550 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-4113

Lime Rock Resources II-A LP Kaiser 7M #14 Red Lake; Sec 7 T18S R27E; 990/S & 330/W; 7 mi SE Artesia; Rot 4693 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-43112

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Ghost Pepper 14-23 Federal Com #1 Getty; Sec 11 T20S R29E; 1665/S & 1620/W; 15 mi NE Carlsbad; Rot 19182 Bone Spring; API #30-015-43105

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Ghost Pepper 14-23 Federal Com #2 Getty; Sec 11 T20S R29E; 1350/S & 966/W; 15 mi NE Carlsbad; Rot 19497 Bone Spring; API #30-015-43101

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Devon Energy Production Co. LP Ghost Pepper 14-23 Federal Com #4 Getty; Sec 11 T20S R29E; 1262/S & 1013/W; 15 mi NE Carlsbad; Rot 18541 Bone Spring; API #30-015-43100

Mewbourne Oil Co. Rio Bravo 8 B3MD Fed #1 Deadman Draw; Sec 17 T21S R25E; 400/N & 790/W; 9 mi NW Carlsbad; Rot 12450 Bone Spring; API #30-015-43108

Yates Petroleum Corp. Sheep BTS State Com #1 West Lost Tank; Sec 36 T21S R31E; 1810/S & 2005/W; 8 mi S Halfway; Rot 16403 Delaware; API #30-015-43098

Oxy USA Inc. Sundance 4 Federal #1 Ingle Wells; Sec 33 T23S R31E; 235/S & 500/E; 17 mi NE Malaga; Rot 14830 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42368

Lea County

Occidental Permian Ltd. South Hobbs G/SA Unit #251 Hobbs; Sec 5 T19S R38E; 320/S & 1181/W; 1/2 mi SW Hobbs; Rot 4610 Grayburg San Andres; API #30-025-42592

Occidental Permian Ltd. South Hobbs G/SA Unit #252 Hobbs; Sec 4 T19S R38E; 2400/S & 681/W; Hobbs; Rot 5625 Grayburg San Andres; API #30-025-42593

Occidental Permian Ltd. South Hobbs G/SA Unit #253 Hobbs; Sec 4 T19S R38E; 2400/S & 731/W; Hobbs; Rot 4980 Grayburg San Andres; API #30-025-42594

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Cotton Draw Unit #250 North Paduca; Sec 7 T25S R32E; 100/N & 460/W; 16 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 12831 Delaware; API #30-025-42589

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Cotton Draw Unit #251 North Paduca; Sec 7 T25S R32E; 125/N & 1650/W; 16 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 12822 Delaware; API #30-025-42590

EOG Resources Inc. Almost Eddy 31 Fed #1 Jennings; Sec 31 T25S R32E; 220/S & 380/E; 17 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 16030 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42584

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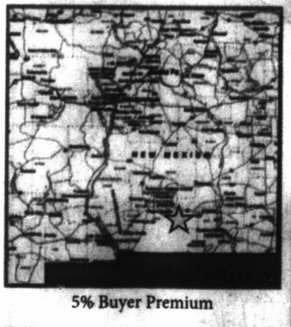
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