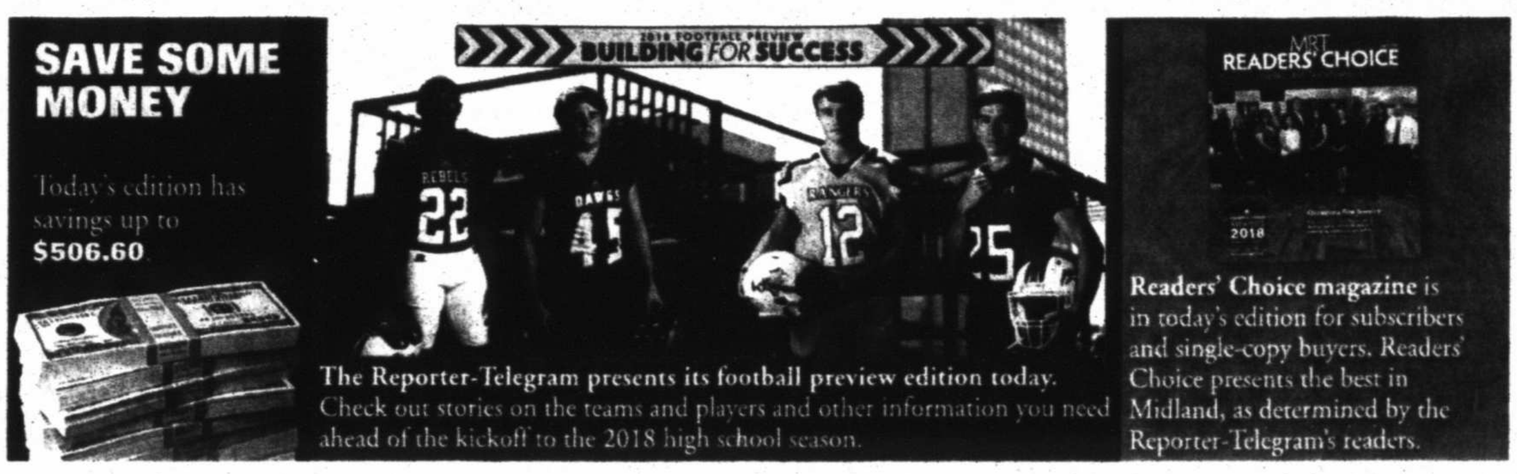

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Lack of child care affects working moms

■ More than 1,000 kids reportedly were on Midland day care wait lists earlier this year

By Rachel Adams-Heard
Bloomberg

The West Texas sun is still hours away from rising, and the line at the First Presbyterian Church in Midland is already forming.

These aren't teens waiting for concert tickets. They're tired moms and dads hoping to get a spot at the church's "Mother's Day Out" program for their children, the babies of the boom.

"It's like you're scalping for tickets to a Rolling Stones concert," said Jessica McCoy, a soon-to-be mother who sells oilfield services equipment for United Safety Ltd. in Midland. McCoy's solution: her mother has moved to Midland from Austin, allowing McCoy to keep her job when her son is born this fall.

Others aren't as lucky. More than 1,400 children were on day care waiting lists in Midland and the surrounding area earlier this year, according to the latest available data. It's a statistic that's keeping both families and communities from taking full financial advantage of the Permian Basin's rise to energy dominance.

Affected the most: moms. With women generally still making less than men, they're more likely to quit work to provide care for their children, said Michelle McCready, chief of policy at Child Care Aware of America, a nonprofit that promotes affordable child care.

Heidi Winkler, married to a petroleum geologist, knows the feeling well.

Winkler's 20-month-old son will attend extended child care at First Presbyterian's child care center for the first time starting next month. Finding child care has allowed her to finally achieve a long-sought goal: starting her own graphic design business.

"It was a huge relief to be able to get into child care," she said. "I know so many other moms who are on the wait list, and they may not make the cut for child care this fall."

In Texas, a family of four that makes less than about $48,000 a year is eligible for government funding for child care, according to Shay Everitt, director for early childhood education initiatives for the nonprofit group Children at Risk. But only about 17 percent of the facilities that serve those children are considered "quality" providers, meaning they're certified by the state's rating system.

At a Bright Horizons' child care center in Midland, monthly rates are subsidized by Concho Resources. That means parents pay between $600 and $700 a month per child, compared with more than $1,000 a month many are forced to shell out without

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SPENCER ROBNETT

Midland City Council

Centennial Park is right project at right time for downtown

Last week, the city of Midland announced an agreement with Concho Resources, the Scharbauer Foundation and The Downtown Midland Management District (DMMD) for an expanded and much improved $15 million Centennial Park on the site of the former Midland County Courthouse.

After more than two years of negotiations and planning, the parties finally came to terms on various agreements that will be taken to the Midland City Council this Tuesday for final consideration. This is the right project at the right time for downtown Midland and the old courthouse block and here is why.

First, this project (including annual maintenance) is funded with agreements materially complete. The former Midland County Courthouse has been the site of various proposals since its purchase and demolition by the city of Midland in 2015, and this community and council are ready to move on from the "hole in downtown" and

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JEFF SPARKS

Midland City Council

Proposed downtown park agreement does not safeguard the city

The renderings on a new downtown open space recreation area is surely something to behold. Midland truly has very generous people that are willing to spend money to make Midland a better place. The city is committing the land that the old county courthouse used to be on, $2 million toward the construction of the project, plus some other monetary consideration for a multi-media screen yet to be determined.

The newly established Midland Downtown Park Conservancy will pay the balance of the costs to put this recreation area in place through the generous donations of The Scharbauer Foundation and Concho Resources Inc. I applaud the effort to put an agreement together that works for all the stakeholders. That being said, I have some major concerns with the agreement that is being proposed.

Going forward after project completion, the city has given all control of the recreation area to the Conservancy. Even though the city

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BRENT HILLIARD

Midland Development Corp. board chair

Centennial Park is 'spark' to transform downtown into vibrantly successful place

There is a pent-up demand (up 13 percent from 1990 to 2000) for urbanized developments nationwide. Millennials, baby boomers and generation Xers are increasingly demanding walkable and vibrant places to live and work. To further highlight this movement Cynthia A. Bowen, AICP, LEED AP, the president of the American Planning Association and the director of Planning for Rundell Ernstberger published an article entitled "The Economic Benefits of Downtown Parks," in which she wrote:

"The 'rebound wave' of Millennials, Baby Boomers and Generation Xers returning to cities from the suburbs are creating unprecedented demand for housing, jobs, educational options, healthy places, mobility options and amenity-rich downtown environments that demand bold, new action when it comes to the design of our parks, public spaces and

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Oil and gas industry expands production as trade concerns loom

Texas exploration and production companies and Chinese refiners shared a collective sigh of relief following a recent decision to remove U.S. crude oil from the list of goods entangled in the ongoing U.S.-China trade war. Nevertheless, though U.S. crude oil appears safe from tariffs for now, China reportedly is still considering a 25 percent levy on imports of U.S. liquefied natural gas (LNG) after officially imposing a 25 percent tariff on U.S. propane, butane, naphtha, jet fuel and coal imports. The escalating trade disputes between the United States and China are putting the success of the American oil and gas sector at risk, and stand to deter investments of long-term energy projects, among other negative implications, if tensions continue.

As domestic oil and natural gas production continues to increase, helping support energy demands and expand our economy, potential shifts in the global market as a result of international trade disputes could stall rising output from the United States. TIPRO is projecting crude oil output from Texas will reach a total of nearly 1.5 billion barrels of oil by the end of 2018, an increase of nearly 200 million barrels compared to the total output last year. The Permian Basin alone is expected to account for 50 percent of all new global oil production over the next five years. However, as the West Texas region continues to face output capacity challenges, the ability to move product will be dependent on having additional infrastructure in place, something that is threatened by the Trump administration's current tariffs on steel and aluminum.

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By 2019, the U.S. is set to become the largest LNG exporter in the world, exceeding exports from our country valued at more than $3 billion in 2017, as well as increasing levels of crude exports, which reached a record 2 million barrels per day in May of this year. However, recent retaliatory rhetoric regarding potential tariffs on LNG and crude oil exports to China could further exasperate negative implications of the ongoing trade war for our country and partners abroad.

China is the largest importer of oil and the second largest importer of LNG in the world. While trade negotiations between U.S. and Chinese officials continue, one recent report stated that not a single tanker has loaded crude oil from the United States bound for China since the start of August, compared with an estimated 300,000 barrels in the months of June and July. China has also abridged its imports of U.S. LNG in recent months.

With LNG demand expected to rise significantly over the next 12 to 18 months, the possibility of China implementing tariffs on U.S. natural gas exports has also caused concern about the construction of several facilities in the United States for LNG exports.

Meanwhile, the fallout of utilizing tariffs to reduce trade deficits and the negative consequences for the oil and natural gas industry continues to unfold. When the initial tariff review process for Section 232 began last year, U.S. operators started to see an increase in the cost of domestic steel. Once the tariffs were officially adopted in March, prices for Oil Country Tubular Goods (OCTG) soared by nearly 30 percent in some cases, while Line Pipe (LP) expenditures jumped by 10-20 percent. These tariffs on imported steel and aluminum have been described by many as effectively a tax against U.S.-based producers, large and small, adding significant cost on a per-well basis and a punitive tax of tens of millions of dollars to some critical infrastructure projects.

Eliminating overly burdensome regulations and supporting pro-American energy policies has allowed the U.S. oil and natural gas industry to increase production, exports, tax revenue and employment, while decreasing our country's dependence on foreign oil. Thanks in part to the improved regulatory climate, Texas – the nation's top producing state of oil and natural gas – has witnessed a revival of E&P activity during the past two years, benefiting our local and state economies. In addition to directly employing over 330,000 workers in the state of Texas and generating billions of dollars in tax revenue annually, last year the Texas oil and gas industry purchased goods and services in the amount of $121 billion from approximately a thousand U.S. business sectors, 84 percent of which came directly from within the Lone Star State. This helps to illustrate how important the oil and natural gas industry is to the broader economy and what's at risk.

While President Trump's commitment to fulfill all campaign promises is admirable, tariffs and trade disputes conflict with his energy dominance agenda, which could have a lasting impact on the U.S. oil and gas industry.

Photos by Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

ABOVE: Clayton Winkler holds Elliott as he and Heidi play catch Friday. BELOW: Clayton and Heidi watch as Elliott plays on a slide.

CHILD CARE

From 1A

employer help.

'KINDER-PREPPERS'

Even with a facility specifically reserved for one company, though, most age groups still have a "pretty good-sized wait list," said Jessi Silva, the center's director.

"Right now, if your infant is already born and you want to get your child in, it'll probably be next summer before you can get them in," she said. There were 18 infants, five toddlers, seven preschoolers and five to six "kinder-preppers" on the waiting list as of early August, according to Silva.

At the same time, the lack of child care is hurting local communities such as Midland and nearby Odessa, where local officials are working hard to increase the number of families that move to the shale patch.

CITIES ASPIRE

While many rig operators and truck drivers leave families back home while they pull two- to three-week shifts, the cities aspire for oilfield workers and white-collar employees alike to come with their spouses and kids. That means more money for area restaurants, movie theaters, grocery stores and shopping malls, according to Mayor Jerry Morales, who also is a restaurateur.

"Families won't move here because they can't get into day care," Morales said in an interview at his Mulberry Cafe. That's why Morales plans to make child care one of his main calls for action in a September "State of the City" address.

Companies desperate to hire are also attempting to tackle the issue. A 200-child facility backed by Anadarko Petroleum Corp., Chevron Corp., Occidental Petroleum Corp. and EOG Resources Inc. just broke ground in Midland. And Pioneer Natural Resources Co., like Concho, already has a partnership with Bright Horizons for a child care center that exclusively serves its employees.

"You're seeing more and more companies coming together to solve the problem around child care," said Katie Mehnert, chief executive officer of Pink Petro, a group that provides resources for women in the oil and gas sector. "It's a topic everyone's talking about."

'MOTIVATED AND SKILLED'

In Monahans, a smaller town in the heart of the frack sand boom, day care is so hard to come by that Mayor David Cutbirth built one himself. The 62-child facility currently serves employees of his recently opened Bennigan's restaurant for a subsidized $1.40 an hour, and he recently opened it up to the general population for around $4 an hour.

"It's a difficult thing to do. It's not one of those things where you go, 'Hey, I'm going to put in a day care,'" said Cutbirth, who spent $150,000 to put in the facility and has about $800 a day in labor costs. But "it really is important if you want to have a workforce that is highly motivated and skilled."

Rod Slaton, business administrator at First Presbyterian, said they're going digital so parents won't have to physically wait in line in the wee hours of the morning. Demand has been outstripping resources on numerous fronts in the region, according to Slaton. "Everything is such a mess out here," he said.

Trump takes aim at Venezuela lifeline, which could raise prices at the pump

By Franco Ordonez
McClatchy Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — The White House is once again considering sanctions that could choke Venezuela's oil production as the Trump administration weighs its next "strong and swift" action to take against Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro, two senior administration officials told McClatchy.

While a full embargo on purchasing Venezuelan oil — the so-called "nuclear option" — is being actively discussed, the administration is zeroing in on more surgical sanctions that block the sale of oil and oil processing products by U.S. companies to Venezuela and hinder Caracas' oil industry without directly impacting the Venezuelan people.

"It's very real," a senior administration official told McClatchy. "It's a matter of considering when doing the next sanction or the next round of sanctions will maximize the pressure."

Specifically, the government is looking at prohibiting the sale by U.S. companies of about 3.5 million barrels of oil and other refined oil products to Venezuela, such as the diluent naphtha, which is used to thin the tarlike heavy oil so that it can flow through more than 60 miles of pipelines from the Orinoco oil belt to the nation's coast, where it can be either upgraded or exported.

It's been months since the United States imposed its last significant set of sanctions against the Caracas

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Texas leads US in wind energy

■ Production expected to grow as industry technology advances

By Rye Druzin
San Antonio Express-News

Texas continues to dominate the nation's wind energy production, adding far more generating capacity than any other state last year and having more installed wind power than all but five countries in the world, the U.S. Energy Department reported Thursday.

While best known for its oil and gas industry, the state has vaulted to the top of wind power by not only exploiting the strong winds of West Texas, but also by building the transmission to move the electricity from remote regions to the state's population areas, analysts said. The state's wind energy production, meanwhile, is only expected to increase and provide a growing share of the state's electricity as advancing technology allows turbines to generate at lower wind speeds and improved weather forecasting makes it easier to integrate it into the grid.

"The average capacity factor for new wind installations has risen above 40 percent," said Alex Fitzsimmons, chief of staff of the Energy Department's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy. "They're getting more output. They're doing a better job of converting the wind into usable energy, so that improves the economics as well."

Texas added more than 2,300 megawatts of wind power last year, nearly three times the amount added by next closest state, Oklahoma, which increased its wind generating capacity by about 850 megawatts. At the end of 2017, Texas had more than 22,000 megawatts of wind power, more than triple Oklahoma's 7,500 megawatts of wind generating capacity, the second highest in the nation.

A megawatt can power roughly 200 homes during periods of peak demand.

Analysts attribute much of the state's success to decisions in the mid 2000s to build transmission lines from wind producing areas in West Texas and the Panhandle to population centers further east. The $7 billion investment built lines with the capacity to move 18,500 megawatts of power to wholesale power markets, according to the Electric Reliability Council of Texas, which operates the state's power grid.

Andy Swift, a professor and associate director at National Wind Institute at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, likened the transmission lines to the farm-to-market roads that crisscross the state and were built to help farmers get produce from the fields to nearby towns and beyond. The development of the transmission made it economically attractive to build projects to tap the vast wind resource in West Texas and the Panhandle, which account for most of the state's wind generating capacity.

"It was an 'if you build it, they will come idea,'" said Joshua Rhodes, a research associate at the Energy Institute at the University of Texas at Austin. "And they sure came."

As wind technology has advanced, the cost of electricity generate by wind turbines has fallen by about one-third since 2010, according to the Energy Department. In Texas, the growth in wind energy has come as coal-fired power plants have shut down, unable to compete with lower-cost wind farms and natural-gas plants. Wind surpassed coal in generating capacity last year, according to ERCOT.

In 2017, wind generated about 15 percent of the electricity in Texas, up from less than 13 percent in 2016, according to the Energy Department. In the United States overall, wind made up 6.3 percent of electricity generation.

Perhaps the greatest hurdle to wind and other renewable energy sources playing a bigger role in the power mix is they are intermittent, creating a challenge to integrate them into the grid. ER-COT, which manages 90 percent of the state's power load for some 24 million customers, is improving its weather forecasting to get the most out of wind power. ER-COT has hired two firms that provide forecasts at five minute intervals to allow the grid operator to better to better predict wind production and adjust accordingly, said Dan Woodfin, the senior manager of system operations.

After Texas and Oklahoma, the states with the most wind generating capacity are Iowa with 7,308 and California with 5,555 megawatts, according to the Energy Department. Only China, the United States, Germany, India and Spain have more wind power capacity than Texas.

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Adulation

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1: excessive or slavish admiration or flattery

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Things to do

Today

- Bridge game play, 1:30 p.m. at Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. $6. For more information call 682-8595.
- Gran Coleadero, 1 p.m. at La Hacienda Event Center, 12610 State Highway 191. $10. haciendamidland.com.
- Family Nite roller skating, 2-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. at KC's Nutty Roller, 1004 Andrews Highway. KCsnuttyroller.com.
- West Texas Legends in Line dance classes. 2-3:30 p.m. at Love to Dance Studio, 2817 JBS Parkway. $5. lovetodancestudio.com.
- Barre30: Triceps and Biceps, 3:15 p.m. at Lacy J Pilates and Fitness Studio, 3211 W. Wadley Ave. $5. lacyjpilates.com.
- Bingo Nights hosted by the American Legion, 4 p.m., 501 Veterans Airpark Lane. 682-5511.
- Kansas, 7:30 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $45-$89.50. wagnernoel.com.

Tuesday

- "Hope-in-One" golf tournament benefiting MARC, 8 a.m., Ranchland Hills Golf Club, 1600 E. Wadley Ave. marctexas.org.

Wednesday

- We Honor Veterans Lunch and Learn with guest speaker Sgt. Joseph Gonzalez of the U.S. Marine Corps, 11:30 a.m., Hospice of Midland, 911 W. Texas Ave. RSVP by emailing rhaberman@hospiceofmidland.org.
- Shot and Chip Clinic by Midland Humane Coalition, 6-8 p.m., Ulmer Park, 2700 W. Kentucky Ave. midlandhumane.org.

Thursday

- Town hall meeting with U.S. Rep. Beto O'Rourke, 5-7 p.m., Grand Texan Hotel and Convention Center, 4300 W. Wall St.
- "The Greatest Love of All: The Whitney Houston Show" with Belinda Davis, 8 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $25- $65. Wagnernoel.com.

Friday through Sept. 9

Permian Basin Fair and Expo at Ector County Coliseum, Odessa. $10 general admission, $8 seniors and children. PBfair.com.

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz speaks at a town hall event Saturday at the South Forty Banquet Hall in Odessa. **Get coverage and more photos in Monday's edition.**

Meetings this week

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

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

Commissioners' Court
on or after 5:30 p.m. Tuesday
Midland County Courthouse auxiliary courtroom.
500 N. Loraine Ave.

Commissioners' Court
on or after 1:30 p.m. Wednesday
Midland County Courthouse auxiliary courtroom.
500 N. Loraine Ave.

State of nonprofits

The State of Nonprofits is set for 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at Petroleum Club.
Contact stateofthenonprofits.org or 685-0404 for tickets or sponsorship opportunities.

This date in Texas history

One year ago: Hurricane Harvey spun into Texas, unloading extraordinary amounts of rain. (The hurricane killed nearly 70 people, damaged more than 300,000 structures and caused an estimated $125 billion in damage.)

Lottery

All or Nothing morning: 1-3-4-6-7-8-10-11-14-18-19-23
All or Nothing day: 1-3-8-10-11-12-14-15-17-19-20-23
All or Nothing evening: 1-5-7-8-13-15-16-19-20-21-22-24
All or Nothing night: 1-3-5-6-8-11-14-15-16-18-22-23
Cash Five: 1-11-25-27-34
Daily 4 morning: 3-3-2-9
Daily 4 day: 8-7-7-4
Daily 4 evening: 1-1-1-4
Daily 4 night: 5-7-7-7
Lotto Texas: 3-10-23-32-36-48
Pick 3 morning: 5-4-3
Pick 3 day: 1-3-5
Pick 3 evening: 0-6-8
Pick 3 night: 0-2-4
Powerball: 20-25-54-57-63
BB: 8 **Power Play:** 2

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Weather

Saturday's temperatures
High ... 99
Low ... 76
Normal high ... 93
Normal low ... 68

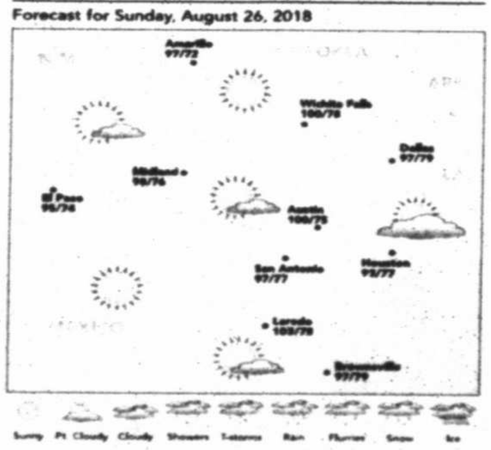
Aug. 25's records
Record high: 103, set in 1936, repeated in 2011
Record low: 58, set in 1970

Precipitation
Saturday ... 0.00 in.
Sunday ... 0.00 in.
Month total ... 2.88 in.
Year total ... 8.14 in.
Normal total (year to date) ... 9.32 in.

Winds
Wind speed: 21 mph
Gust speed: 17 mph

Today's forecast
High: 97

Forecast for Sunday, August 26, 2018



Low: 76
Conditions: Sunny today/mostly clear tonight
Winds: South 10-15 mph today and tonight
Chance of rain: None
Sunrise ... 7:20 a.m.
Sunset ... 8:20 p.m.
Source: National Weather Service

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic; 4-positive; 3-average; 2-so-so; 1-difficult

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

A baby born today has a Sun in Virgo and a Moon in Aquarius if born before 1:32 a.m. (ET). Afterward, the Moon will be in Pisces.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Aug. 26, 2018:
This year you could feel conflicted, as you sometimes want to be intellectual in your responses, yet your feelings run the show. Learning to juggle these seemingly opposite attitudes could be a challenge. If you are single, you might meet a lot of people, but not everyone has the makeup to give you a long-term, committed relationship. Do not settle. If you are attached, the two of you act as if you are on the seesaw of life. You will learn to be in harmony with your significant other, no matter what. PISCES accepts change graciously.

ARIES
(March 21-April 19)
★★★ You slow down quite suddenly, and could find it close to impossible to get going again. Do not fight the inevitable; call today a lazy day. Curl up and take as many naps as you want. Don't fight this side of yourself today. **Tonight:** Do as little as possible.
This Week: Recent frustrations seem to disappear.

TAURUS
(April 20-May 20)
★★★★ You have handled a lot of responsibilities over the past few days. You feel liberated, whether you accept an invitation to a favorite spot or pick up the phone and make plans to take a drive to your favorite summer spot. **Tonight:** Let your hair down.
This Week: Use Monday to the max.

GEMINI
(May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Reach out to a loved one at a distance. This person has quite a lot of authority over you. To many people, he or she seems controlling. Look at your relationship closely; you could feel as if you usually have a fun time with this person. **Tonight:** Be a wild thing.
This Week: Expect to be in the limelight Monday and Tuesday.

CANCER
(June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Opt for a day trip that pulls you out of your environment. The change of landscape does a world of good, and helps change your perspective. As a result, when you look at problems later, they seem to have rolled away. **Tonight:** Just don't be alone, whatever you do.
This Week: Detach and make sure your plan is feasible.

LEO
(July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You and a loved one need to spend some quality time together. You have the best intentions, but an element of the unexpected could change your plans. At a certain point, bucking a trend won't work, especially today. **Tonight:** Avoid a blaming situation.
This Week: You will design a plan that satisfies most people.

VIRGO
(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Defer to others. Not that you don't defer frequently, but it is important for a loved one to feel as if you trust his or her judgment. Unfortunately, a tendency toward surprises and the unexpected marks both of your days. **Tonight:** Maintain a sense of humor.
This Week: If there is a backfire, you will not be held responsible.

LIBRA
(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ You might want to vanish for the day. You could get into a home project that you can do by yourself. You notice that others seem to be going in all directions at once. Don't count on anyone but yourself today. **Tonight:** Be gracious with others.
This Week: Do not push away some menial work.

SCORPIO
(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Honor a fast change, as it is likely to make all the difference in how you deal with a loved one. You might have had plans, but be ready for an adjustment. A younger person could charm his or her way into your plans. **Tonight:** Be as creative as possible.
This Week: Your ingenuity sparks conflict as well as great ideas.

SAGITTARIUS
(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ Reach out to someone who often needs help, no matter what he or she does. Make it your pleasure to pitch in. Emotions run high, and you might want to pull back some if the moment becomes too intense. **Tonight:** Reward yourself, and go where you want to be.
This Week: You might be slow to start, but you'll still accomplish a lot.

CAPRICORN
(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ You can be counted on, despite current trends around you. Don't take it personally when someone cancels your plans together. Take the free time and go off to explore a new store or catch a movie. You will feel renewed as a result. **Tonight:** Get some R and R.
This Week: Lay your cards on the table Monday.

AQUARIUS
(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ You might want to eliminate a problem before it happens. Be aware of the costs of overspending. You might not be conscious of your behavior until you take a hard look at your budget. Fortunately, you have saved for this moment. **Tonight:** Be more upbeat.
This Week: Make sure you have the funds to proceed as you would like.

PISCES
(Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Today's Full Moon gets the best of you, no matter what you do. You can try to buck the trend, but you could end up getting more frustrated. It might be best to accept the circumstances and follow the moment. Move your plans. **Tonight:** Time for fun!
This Week: Ask for what you want on Monday.

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Actor Macaulay Culkin (1980), singer Shirley Manson (1966), actress Melissa McCarthy (1970)

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YMCA Meats Midland

Cooking for a Cause

Midlanders attend the YMCA fundraiser event, which featured a cookoff, entertainment, and family activites Saturday.

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From 2A

government, leading to concerns among Venezuelans in the United States that the Trump administration has eased up on the Maduro government. But administration officials say the Maduro government continues to find excuses to abuse and consolidate its power, such as the arrests of opposition leaders without real evidence for a foiled drone attack against the president.

A full oil embargo would likely starve the desperate Maduro government of much needed capital during a massive economic crisis that is struggling with hyperinflation expected to grow 1 million percent by year's end. But the Trump administration has been resistant to take more drastic measures because of the impacts on the suffering Venezuelan public, potential harm to the U.S. oil industry and the American consumer who is already seeing increasing gas prices.

But the senior administration officials said they're working on a new package of sanctions that would be released in the next three months. Oil industry analysts said they have been brought in by the White House and State Department over the last several weeks to discuss the potential impacts of both a full embargo or, the second, more targeted approach involving oil sales to Venezuela.

"I said the second one is better," said Russ Dallen, a managing partner at the U.S. investment bank Caracas Capital Markets, which tracks Venezuelan oil shipments, who advised U.S. officials on this issue. "I said, 'Look, they're killing themselves anyway. If we get involved right now, they're going to try to blame us. They already are, but when your opponent is shooting themselves in the foot, don't stop them.'"

One third of Venezuelan oil is processed in U.S. refineries. An embargo on oil from Venezuela, the fourth-biggest supplier to the U.S., could force a slowdown in production at Gulf Coast refineries and a temporary spike in gasoline prices.

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Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro delivers a speech during a ceremony May 22 in Caracas, Venezuela. The Trump administration is considering sanctions that would hinder the nation's oil industry without directly impacting the Venezuelan people.

Large U.S. refineries like Valero Energy Corp. and Marathon Petroleum Corp. have already shifted away from processing heavy crude in order to lessen the potential impact from sanctions on their businesses as well as consumers.

Blocking sales to Venezuela of products like naphtha would affect the industry less, but could still hurt refiners who are increasing their sales of refined products to Latin America, said Michael Leger, chief executive officer at refining consultancy Turner, Mason & Co.

"If you reduce that market, that means somebody has to cut back and that could have an impact on the profitability of U.S. refiners and ultimately what U.S. consumers have to pay," Leger said, noting it could also impact gas prices.

In the short term, blocking U.S. oil sales could choke the Caracas regime's production capabilities. In the long term, Venezuela would still be able to produce oil by getting the commodities elsewhere, such as Russia or China, but Dallen said it would cost the state-run company, PDVSA, more because they'd have to find and buy those products for more elsewhere. Venezuela could also get around the sanctions by, for example, buying the U.S. products from a third country.

Venezuela holds the largest oil reserves in the world and PDVSA is the country's primary source of income. Sixty percent of Venezuela's revenue comes from oil. Yet record high inflation, food shortages and deadly protests have gripped the once-mighty oil nation and millions have fled.

PDVSA has been plagued by mismanagement and corruption that has led to historically low production levels. As of July, Venezuela's oil production was 1.3 million barrels per day, according to OPEC.

Upheaval in the global oil markets — and its potential impacts on the U.S. consumer — is serious enough that the Trump administration has begun to tap U.S. oil reserves in the United States, which is now 700 million barrels, to help soften the possible impact

On Monday, the Department of Energy announced it would sell 11 million barrels of the heavy crude oil similar to that produced by Venezuela.

Venezuela could still count on $28 billion in oil revenues if it received full value, or about $60 a barrel, for its 1.3 million barrels a day. Dallen's analysis shows it is really only making about $11 billion a year because half of the oil produced is delivered at a loss or as a loan repayment to China and Russia, several hundred thousand more barrels are delivered to Cuba at no cost and some also is donated domestically for cheap gas programs.

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Crime of the week

Midland Crime Stoppers and the Midland Police Department need help identifying a suspect involved of a fatal hit and run wreck.

A 2009-2014 model dark-colored Ford F150 or possibly a Lincoln Mark LT was driving eastbound in the westbound lane of the 12600 block of State Highway 191 at about 1 a.m. on Aug. 10. The driver crossed the center median with a portion of his vehicle blocking the eastbound lane, and a motorcyclist traveling eastbound struck the truck while attempting to avoid a collision.

The driver of the truck got out of his vehicle to check the damage, noticed the motorcyclist, got back into the truck and left the scene eastbound.

The suspect is described as a heavy-set Hispanic male. At the time of the wreck, he was wearing a bright-colored shirt and blue jeans. The truck should have damage to the rear passenger side tire area.

We need your help solving this Fatal Hit & Run case. If your tip leads to an arrest, you could earn a $1,000 cash reward. Caller ID is never used and you always remain anonymous. Call 694-TIPS (8477) or use mobile app P3 TIPS.

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Crime Stoppers fugitive

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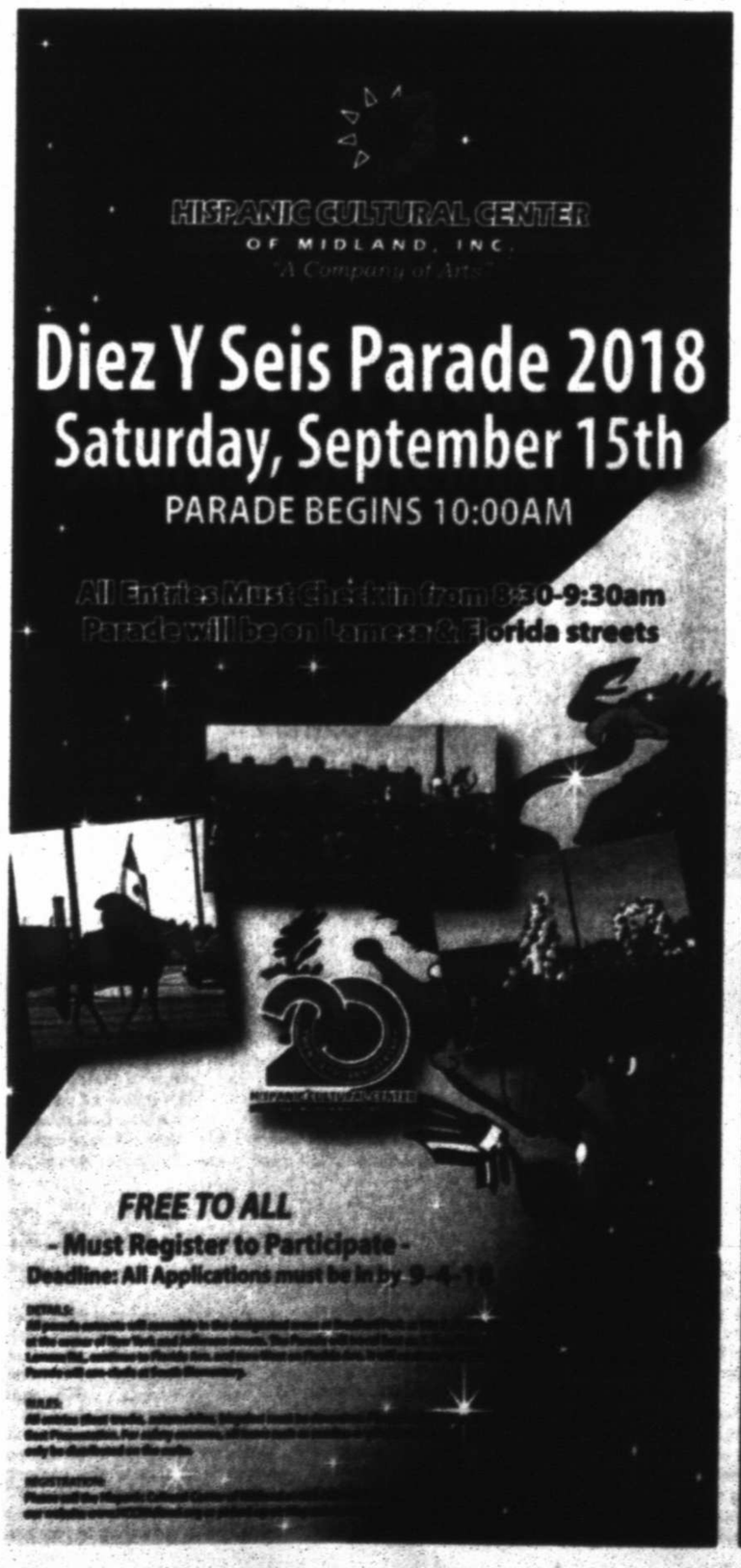

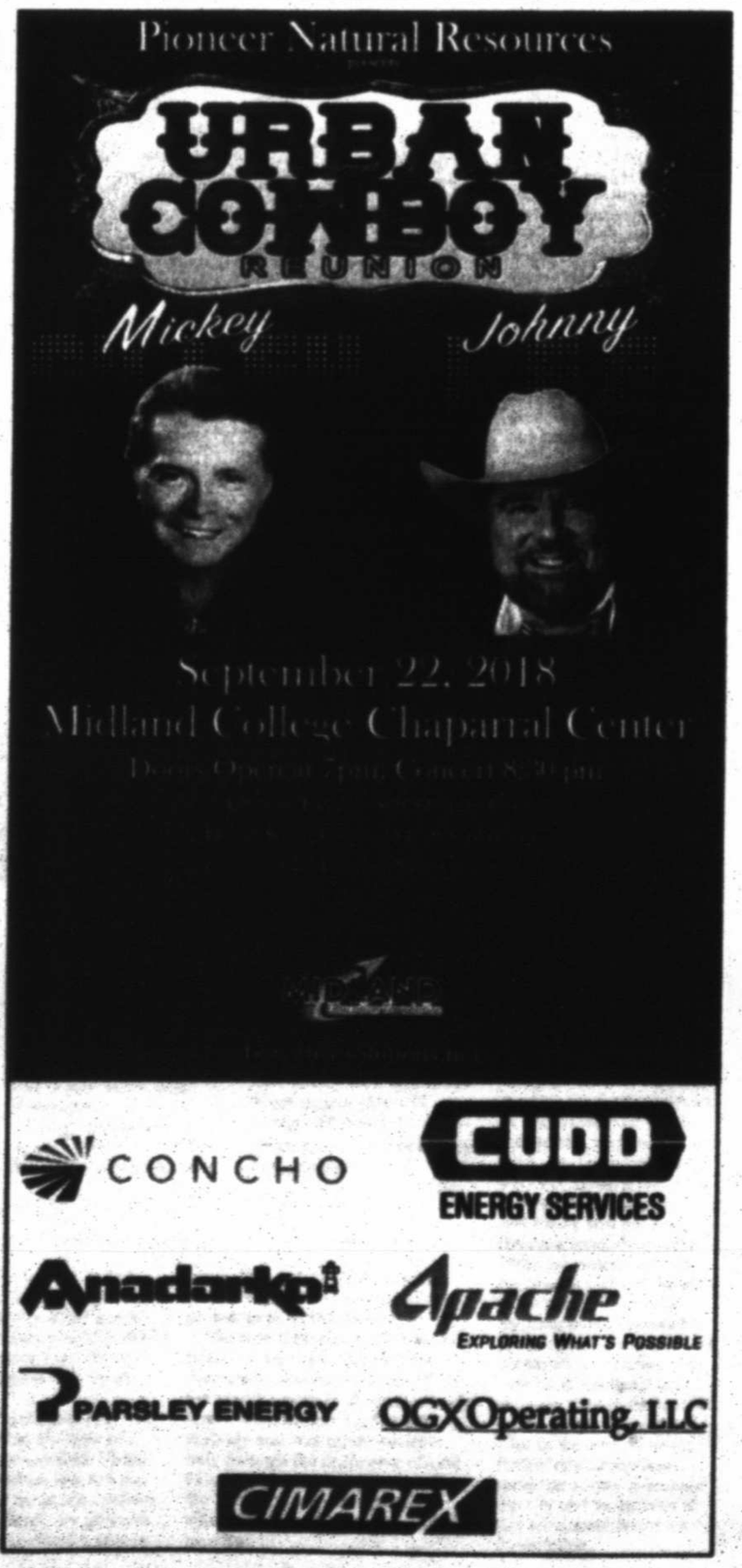

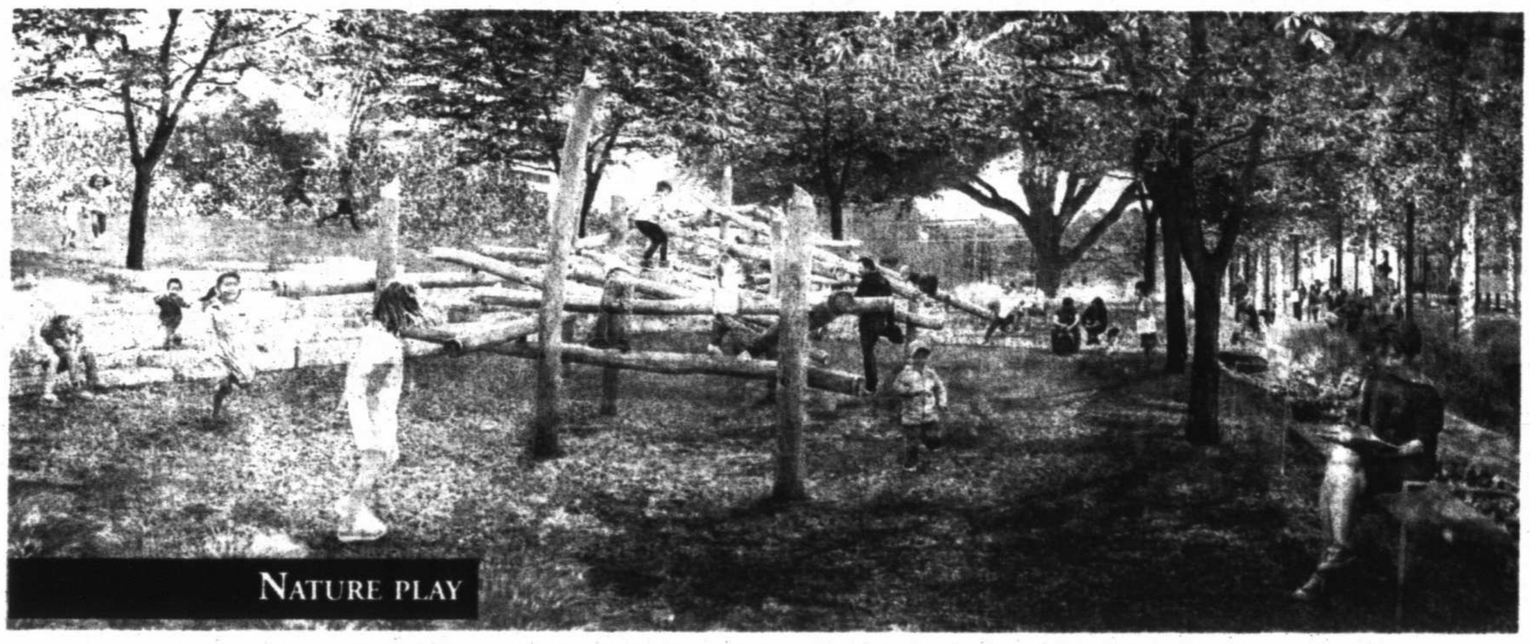

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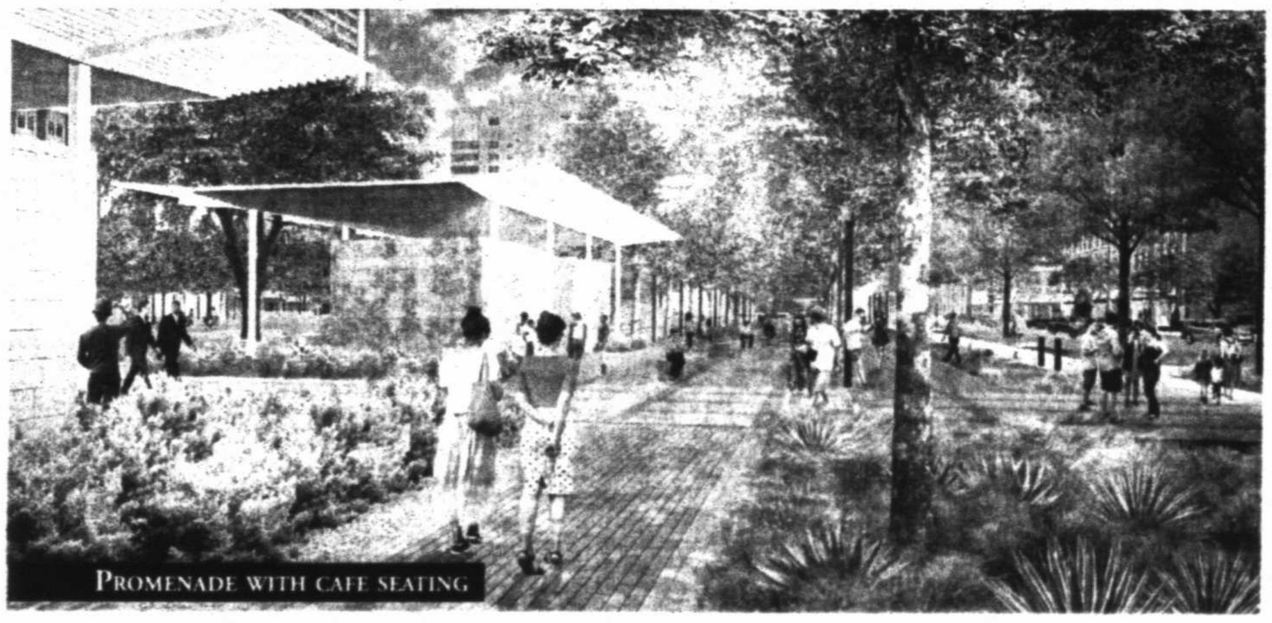

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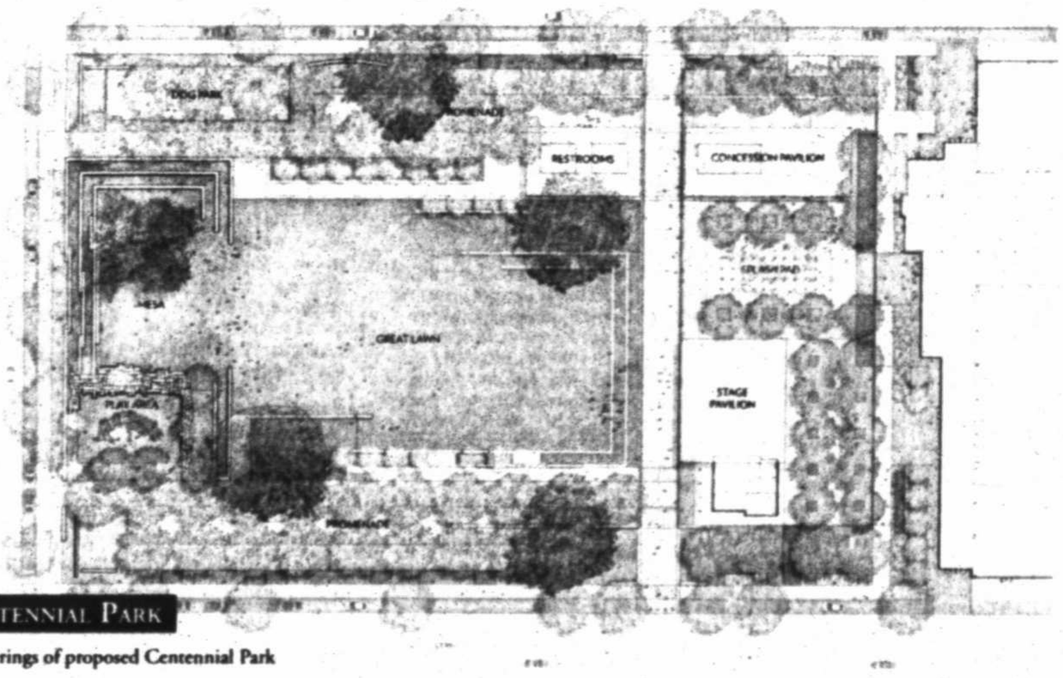

CENTENNIAL PARK

Artist renderings of proposed Centennial Park

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From 1A

streets. America's population is growing older and more diverse. We live in an increasingly connected and competitive world, where resource-intensive lifestyles are not sustainable and the need to get away from technology is increasingly present.

"As the demographics change, planning for an inclusionary and diverse community should be a priority so that all people have access to parks that will increase their overall quality of life. Therefore, the design of our cities must evolve to take advantage of these trends and meet the needs of the changing population."

Studies suggest that humans only want to walk about 1500 feet until they begin looking for an alternative means of transportation: a trolley, a bicycle, or a car. So, roughly 160 acres of land would serve this purpose. (Source: The Brookings Institute, "Turning Around Downtown: Twelve Steps to Revitalization," by Christopher B. Leinberger.) Downtown Midland is the appropriate place to coalesce our efforts to create an urban live, work, play environment.

The public-private partnership between the city of Midland, The Scharbauer Foundation, The Downtown Midland Management District, Concho Resources and other private donors to create, construct and manage (through the Midland Downtown Park Conservancy) Centennial Park is the catalyst needed to transform downtown. Centennial Park is the impetus for people to walk to and spend time enjoying the amenities and social settings that will be created by current and future retail, residential, urban housing, and similar types of complementary development in and around Centennial Park. The new Midland Convention Center provides a reason for others not living or working in the downtown area to join in the "buzz" of downtown.

Centennial Park is the "spark" needed to light up downtown into a vibrantly successful place to live, work and play. Now, it is up to the rest of us to make it easy to finalize downtown development by making the changes and the investments required to transform downtown Midland in to a hallmark urban development that will attract and retain the future generations and work force of Midland.

SPLASH PAD

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finally see a project come to fruition. The new Centennial Park will have a groundbreaking this year and will be completed no later than 2020.

Second, downtown Midland is home to public and privately held companies with values, including pending acquisitions, of more than $70 billion. This includes more than 1 million net Permian acres and tens of thousands of drillable locations that will take decades to develop and explore, all headquartered in downtown Midland. If you look for another town of our size with $70B in value headquartered in their central business district, and multi-billion dollar annual budgets, you won't find one. Midland is unique in this regard, and we should all be proud to have these companies' and community partners headquartered in our downtown.

Third, this park will not require a single property tax dollar from city of Midland taxpayers for funding. The city's initial contribution of $2 million and $500,000 annually will come from hotel/motel tax receipts in the city of Midland.

Finally, the Centennial Park project is a perfect example of a public-private partnership. These kinds of partnerships and leveraging resources at the public, private and foundation level, are going to be essential for Midland's growth going forward. This community should expect to see more of these partnerships in the future.

The new Centennial Park reaffirms the city of Midland's commitment to downtown and will be the premier park in all of Midland. It will have something for everybody and was made possible only through the collective efforts of many. Midland's nickname is the Tall City, and we now have another reason to be proud of that moniker.

SPARKS

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will have no control of the costs to operate or manage the project, the city has obligated itself to pay up to $500,000 a year initially for its 50 percent share of those costs. The other 50 percent will be paid by the Downtown Midland Management District, DMMD. The agreement is for 49 years. The $500,000 cap is also subject to an escalator that begins after the first fiscal year of the Conservancy. This means that the $500,000 cap is subject to increase every year after year one for the entire term of the agreement.

Under the proposed agreement, the Conservancy has exclusive right to plan, design and construct the project. The Conservancy has exclusive right to establish rules and regulations. It has the exclusive right to establish fee structures and/or rate schedules and to obtain corporate sponsorships for events. The Conservancy has the exclusive right to design, construct and install improvements or greenscape after completion of the initial project. It also has the right to subcontract and/or delegate all or any part of its rights and obligations.

By this agreement, the Conservancy will pay the lowest rate tier for water in Midland regardless of usage. It will not pay escalated tiers for high water usage like every other individual, business or nonprofit in Midland. The city will have no control over the water usage. The city has also waived its right to sovereign immunity to the extent allowed by law in this agreement.

This agreement burdens the city with a continuously increasing financial obligation without any rights to control costs or management and no way out for 49 years. This agreement completely protects the Conservancy and its members from a city going rogue but gives the city zero protection. I believe that 49 years is too long of an agreement without the city having some protection during the term. We must face the fact that even though all individuals involved with this agreement are honorable and have good intent, it is not likely any will last the 49-year term. Many may not be available even halfway through the term. Only the written agreement will last, and this agreement leans way too far to one side. This agreement is a good start, but I believe that there should be some safeguards for the city put in this agreement, and this can be done without substantially changing the safeguards that are already in place for the Conservancy and its members. Also, the entire City Council has yet to see the agreement. I only got to see it two days before the announcement, and I have still not seen the completed document. I like the concept of this agreement and will be able to support it if we take the time to put reasonable protections for the city and taxpayers in it before we vote on it. Midland has changed a lot in the last 49 years; it will likely change a lot in the next 49 years. Future city councils deserve the ability to protect the city and its citizens if this agreement becomes unworkable.

Armed 'marshals' and 'guardians' stand ready to protect students

By David Montgomery
Stateline.org

TOP: A school marshal trainee, wearing protective headgear, cautiously approaches a classroom in a simulated search for an armed intruder. School marshals carry concealed weapons, undergo training and psychological evaluations and often work with school resource officers to guard against potential threats. **RIGHT:** Craig Bessent, assistant superintendent of the Wylie Independent School District in Abilene, became part of the Texas School Marshal program in its inaugural class in 2014. Bessent — who has logged more than 500 hours of training and also served as a marshal instructor — is a fervent public ambassador for the effectiveness of the school protection program.

David Montgomery/Pew Charitable Trusts/TNS

ABILENE — Craig Bessent used to be a bull rider. Now he's an assistant superintendent who stays on top of school bus schedules and cafeteria complaints.

But the black bulletproof vest tucked in the corner of Bessent's office is proof that he hasn't left danger behind.

The 60-year-old administrator, who is 6 feet tall and weighs 215 pounds, is a school "marshal," one of about 165 Texas teachers and other school employees expected to be authorized to carry firearms in public schools this fall to fend off armed intruders — a fivefold boost in less than three months.

In addition, there are scores of other gun-toting teachers and school officials in Texas who are known as "guardians." At least 227 school districts, more than 20 percent of the state's 1,031 districts, had authorized the guardian program by mid-August, compared to 170 districts in February, according to the Texas Association of School Boards.

Training programs surged this summer after a gunman killed eight students and two teachers in May at a high school in Santa Febout two-dozen states have considered similar programs in the wake of the Santa Fe massacre and last February's shooting at a high school in Parkland, Florida, which killed 17 students and staff members.

"There's a need out there," says Bessent of the Wylie Independent School District, who, unlike other marshals, has been publicly identified so he can promote the program. "A school marshal's responsibility is to isolate, distract and neutralize the threat. If they're shooting at the school marshal, they're not shooting at the kids and teachers."

Some Texas districts have posted signs on school buildings designed to deter would-be intruders. In the North Texas town of Peaster, for example, signs warn that "the staff at Peaster ISD is armed and may use whatever force necessary to protect our students."

But the "Don't Mess with Texas" style of defense remains controversial. Of all the states mulling such legislation this year, only Florida approved it.

President Donald Trump endorsed the idea, but a well-organized coalition that included educators, law enforcement groups, parents and vocal Parkland students pushed back in a state-by-state counterattack.

"We just absolutely do not agree with gun lobbyists that turning janitors and librarians into sharpshooters is effective," said Shannon Watts, founder of Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America, a nationwide nonprofit that helped block bills in 16 of 17 states. Other bills are pending in at least a half-dozen other states.

After Alabama legislators rejected a bill that would have armed teachers and school administrators, Republican Gov. Kay Ivey created the "Alabama Sentry Program" to arm administrators on campuses. Democratic lawmakers denounced her action.

The issue also flared in California after several school districts began using an exemption in the state's Gun-Free School Zone Act to authorize gun-licensed personnel to carry concealed firearms in schools. A bill signed by Democratic Gov. Jerry Brown in October closed the exemption and halted the practice.

The Florida law, while putting in place some gun control measures, created a $67 million marshal program that allows superintendents and sheriffs to arm designated school personnel, though not full-time classroom teachers.

But the Broward County school board, which oversees the high school where February's shooting occurred, voted unanimously in April against accepting money to arm personnel, and Watts said her volunteer organization is trying to convince other districts to reject marshal funding.

Survivors from the Florida and Texas shootings differ sharply over arming teachers. Parkland survivor Emma Gonzalez called it a "stupid" idea in a "60 Minutes" segment. But Santa Fe survivor Grace Johnson told a roundtable discussion led by Republican Gov. Greg Abbott: "Arming teachers, and not knowing who is armed, that is what we need."

At least nine states permit the arming of school officials, according to the National Conference of State Legislatures. The 2012 shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut, prompted Texas to launch the marshals program.

Several other states also acted in the wake of the Sandy Hook tragedy.

Under the Guardian Plan in Texas, created in 2007 after mass shootings at a Pennsylvania Amish schoolhouse and at Virginia Tech, school districts choose which staff members to arm and what training they will receive. Guardians can constantly carry their weapons, but marshals in direct, regular contact with students must keep theirs in a lock box until needed.

Marshals, most of whom are men, also must hold a concealed handgun license, complete 80 hours of training, undergo a psychological exam and, after two years, complete a 16-hour license renewal course along with another psychological evaluation.

At a recent Austin-area course, 20 prospective marshals got a harrowing preview of what they could face on the job.

Wearing protective headgear that covered their faces and clutching blue Glock training pistols that fired paintball-type markers, two of the school officials — a man and a woman — strode methodically through the halls of Windermere Elementary School in suburban Pflugerville in the hunt for an assailant.

The drill called for a "shoot/don't shoot" decision after the sound of gunfire — blanks from a starter pistol — sent more than a dozen "students" pouring out of a classroom. The gunman, played by a reserve deputy, rounded a corner in the hallway and was shot by the marshals-in-training.

One of them was a 46-year-old father who has two children in his southeast Texas school system. Describing himself only as a school employee, he said his district spent at least a year considering the deployment of marshals before deciding it was needed to "make our district a safe place."

"We hope we never have to use this training," he said. "In an event where something as dire as an active shooter were to happen, then we want to make sure we're prepared."

The marshal candidate said he had no previous law enforcement experience but was familiar with firearms through hunting. He said he felt confident that he could encounter a real-life bad guy after being exposed to a "tremendous amount of techniques" through his training.

Another trainee from the same district, who played a fleeing student, identified himself as one of the school board members who voted to authorize marshals for the district. "I felt like I need to know what level of training these teachers and administrators had before we actually put the guns in the school."

Like his colleague, the board member, 55, said he has no law enforcement experience but has carried a concealed firearm for more than 20 years after Texas authorized concealed carry following a 1991 mass shooting in Killeen. It was the Santa Fe shooting, he said, that led him and fellow board members to approve the marshal program.

To preserve the element of surprise against a potential intruder, the identities of marshals and guardians are kept secret.

Marshals and guardians complement other school security measures, including local law enforcement personnel designated as full- or part-time school resource officers and school district police departments. Texas has 221 school district police departments, with a total of more than 2,750 officers, according to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement.

Although school resource officers work alongside marshals and guardians, the National Association of School Resource Officers has opposed the arming of teachers, warning that they are unprepared for high-stress situations that could end with the taking of a life, "especially the life of a student assailant."

As students prepare to return to Santa Fe, the district is increasing its police department to a staff of 24 full-time and part-time officers and installing metal detectors provided by Republican Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick's office. The district does not use marshals or guardians but might consider it, said school spokeswoman Nancy Porter.

Abbott has signaled his intention to strengthen the marshal program in the 2019 legislative session that starts in January. He has called for repealing the contentious lock box requirement as well as increasing the number of marshals that can be appointed per school, to one for every 100 students, instead of one for every 200. Abbott's office has also directed $115,000 in criminal justice grants to fund this summer's marshal training.

Bessent was in the first class of marshals when the program was launched in July of 2014. He has logged more than 500 hours of law enforcement-based training and often serves as an instructor for other marshals. He also works closely with the governor's office and has testified repeatedly at legislative hearings.

"Really, the school marshal has one purpose and that's to prevent serious bodily injury or death to students, teachers, volunteers, anybody on that campus," he said. "And the rest of the time they just do what they normally do."

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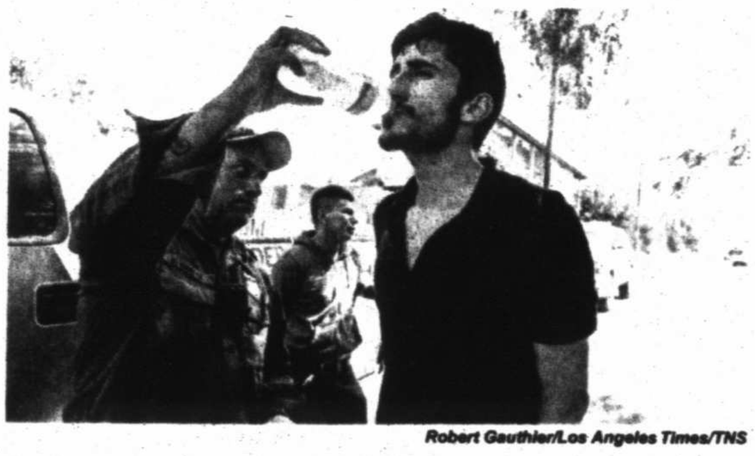
In border town, peak of a deadly summer is surrounded by superstitions

By Molly Hennessy-Fiske
Los Angeles Times



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Border Patrol EMT Roy Ramirez gives water to detainee Juan Carlos Villalobos of Mexico after he, and two others, were found hiding in a residential storage room in Roma following a lengthy pursuit on a hot afternoon.

ROMA — This past week marks the end of the dog days of summer, the 40 hottest days of the year known along the south Texas border as the "canicula."

Canicula is Latin for "dog star," a reference to the Canis Major constellation that appears above the sun during the hottest days of the year.

Even before it started, the term was on residents' minds, in part because of the host of superstitions that surround it: Children should be kept inside during canicula season. It's not good to make big decisions, such as getting an operation, during the canicula. If the canicula starts with rain, the summer will be mild. If it starts out hot and dry, as it did this year, beware.

Temperatures rose to the triple digits last month in every city across the Rio Grande Valley. The canicula was on the lips of waitresses, Rosary Society women and even priests, some of whom mentioned it earlier this month during their homilies. The Rev. Pablo Wilhelm reminded those about to leave the air-conditioned comfort of Our Lady of Refuge Roman Catholic Church that salvation — at least, the earthly variety — was only weeks away.

Customs agents who spent the summer baking on the border, processing immigrant families from Central America, can tell you when the canicula ends. So can Border Patrol agents charged with chasing migrants through miles of overgrown ranch land. And so can the immigrants themselves. Heat here does more than wither cotton crops and fray nerves — it kills.

Noel Benavides, 75, a Roma native and owner of the J.C. Ramirez western wear store, remembers seeing a migrant treated for heat exhaustion at the old hospital in the city plaza in 1959. The town doctor filled a tub with ice to bring the man's temperature down. He died anyway.

Now migrants cross the Rio Grande in numbers greater than on any other stretch of the U.S.-Mexico border. So far this fiscal year, 127,778 have been caught in the Rio Grande Valley.

"They don't realize how hot it gets. They're not used to that," Benavides said.

Border Patrol agents trained as paramedics linger near the riverbank, their green uniforms soaked with sweat. When they detain border crossers, the agents often pause by their vans to hand out cold water before spiriting them away to detention.

From October through the end of June, heat-related deaths on the southern border, the main cause of migrant fatalities, had risen to 48, up from 31 during the same period last year. Agents especially worried about migrants smuggled across the border in tractor trailers, like the one caught in San Antonio in July 2017 containing 31 people and eight bodies (two later died at a hospital).

On July 31 alone, agents responded to three 911 calls, rescuing five immigrants lost on massive ranches a hundred miles northeast of Roma after they were abandoned by smugglers trying to skirt a Border Patrol checkpoint. Later that day, agents patrolling west of Roma found a Honduran woman and son also abandoned by smugglers. The woman began to vomit because of the heat, became unresponsive and had to be hospitalized. By evening, an agent about 55 miles east had discovered the body of an immigrant man in the brush.

From October to the end of July, the Border Patrol in the Rio Grande Valley had reported more than 1,300 immigrant rescues and 80 deaths. And the canicula wasn't done yet.

Agents found 18 migrants packed in a box truck, 16 abandoned in a rural shack and 42 family members on foot — all on one day, Aug. 12. The next day, a Border Patrol paramedic stopped a Mexican woman who had crossed the border illegally and was wandering 50 miles east of Roma. She had a temperature of 105 degrees. This month, agents found at least four dead immigrants in the Rio Grande Valley, one on the riverbank.

The heat isn't guaranteed to end with the canicular, which ended last week, but one can hope. A rainstorm this month encouraged the palm and mesquite trees as well as spirits in Roma.

The high school football team and marching band started practicing weeks ago, limited by the heat to early mornings. School starts Monday, filling the streets with parents' cars and buses that ferry Mexican students daily across the border bridge from Miguel Aleman, Mexico, to attend school legally in Roma.

At J.C. Ramirez, racks filled with back-to-school uniforms, but Benavides kept a cooling towel handy.

Even if the heat wave officially ended Thursday, he explained, some believe a weeklong mini-canicula could follow. He pointed outside to a field of parched buffelgrass, a choice cattle snack, bleached yellow as straw.

"There's something brewing," insisted his wife, Cecilia Benavides, 75.

Storms could bring another Texas extreme: Last Aug. 26, Hurricane Harvey struck Texas, dumping more than 60 inches of rain in places and killing 68 people. Hurricanes have been known to strike along the border too. Benavides remembers when Hurricane Beulah made landfall near the mouth of the Rio Grande in 1967, killing 59 people and causing more than $200 million in damage.

But he believed an extended canicula was more likely than a hurricane.

"Have you looked at the forecast?" he said, shaking his head as the family discussed the long-term implications of climate change for the region.

The high in Roma was 105 degrees Monday. It was not expected to dip below triple digits all week.

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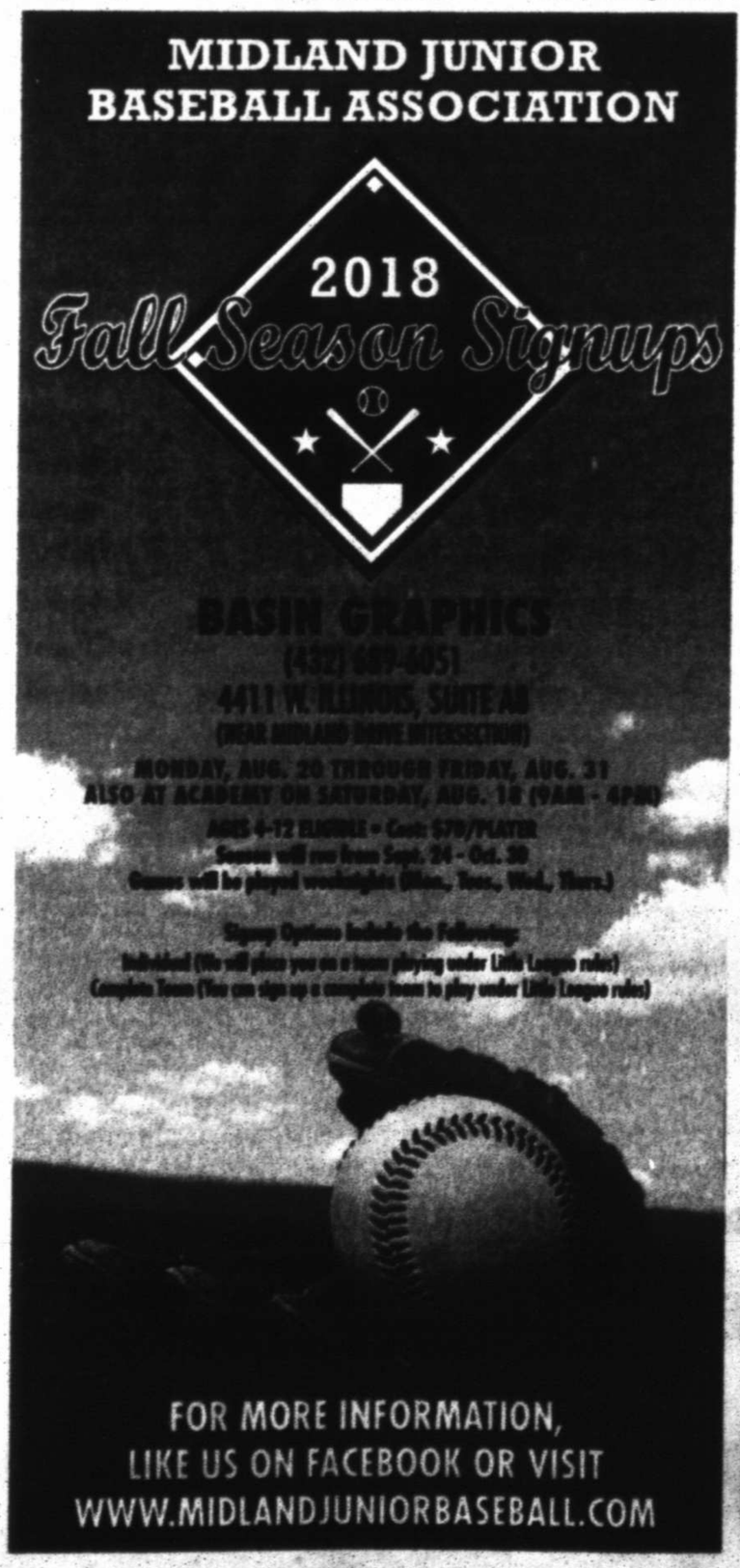

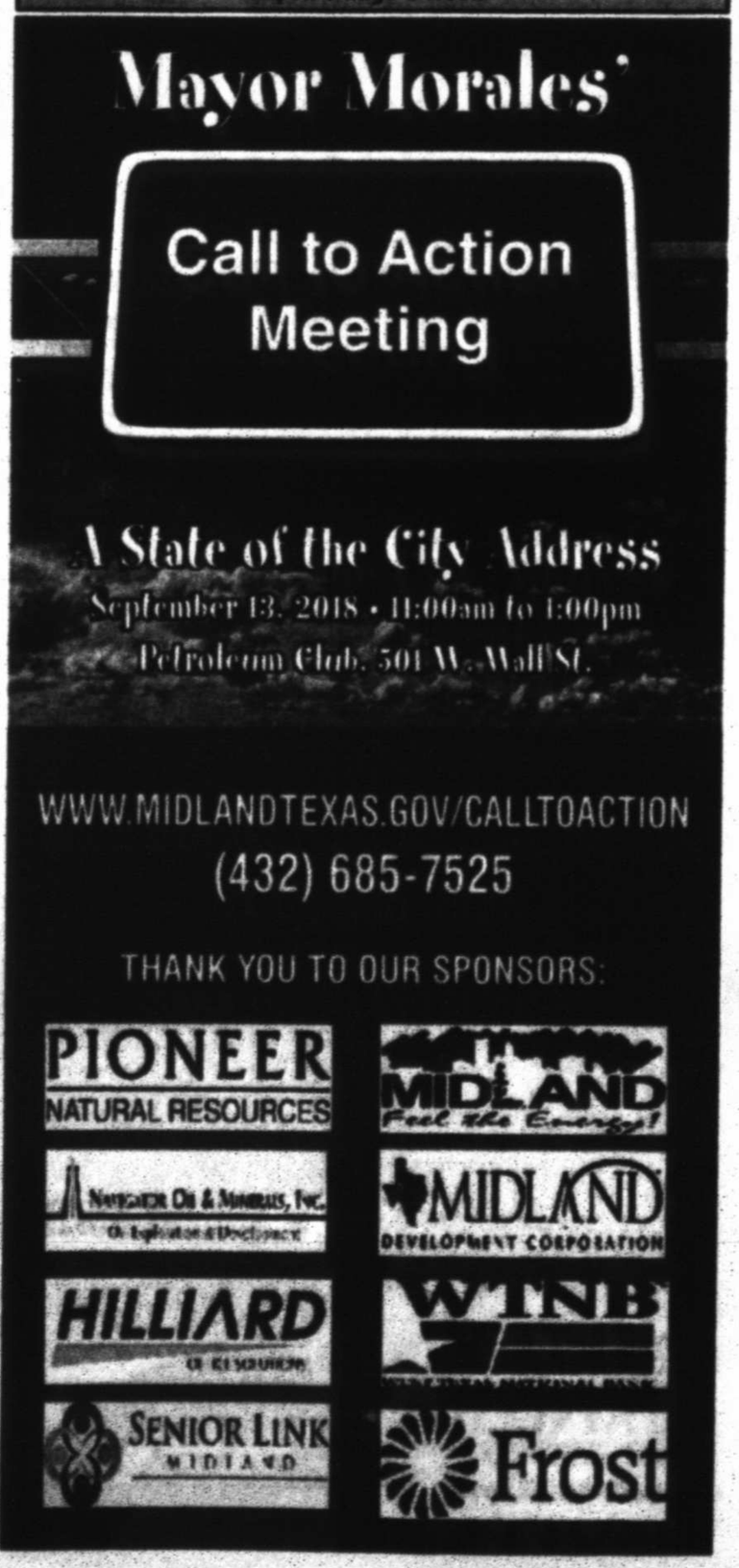

EYE ON **DEVELOPMENT**

Spotlight on housing

The following are July housing activity statistics from the Texas A&M Real Estate Center. Statistics are listed by county. Cities represented include Midland (Midland County), Odessa (Ector County), San Angelo (Tom Green County), Abilene (Taylor County), Lubbock (Lubbock County), Austin (Travis County) Fort Worth (Tarrant County), Dallas (Dallas County), Houston (Harris County) and San Antonio (Bexar County).

Housing units in some Permian Basin cities in 2010 and 2017

	2017		2010
Lubbock	127,393	Lubbock	115,309
Midland	61,132	Taylor	55,780
Ector	58,175	Midland	54,418
Taylor	57,547	Ector	53,083
Tom Green	48,483	Tom Green	46,682

Housing needed for 2017 population

The following indicates the difference from the housing needed for 2017 population.

Midland	-7,070	Howard	-1,704
Ector	-6,737	Andrews	-1,073
Gaines	-2,070	also Taylor	+1,229
Reeves	-1,691	Lubbock	+1,267

Source: Permian Basin Coalition

Sales

Lubbock	457
Midland	250
Taylor	211
Tom Green	158
Ector	151

Total Volume

Lubbock	$92.056 million
Midland	$86.361 million
Ector	$34.527 million
Taylor	$31.959 million
Tom Green	$31.734 million

Inventory

Lubbock	1,127
Taylor	593
Tom Green	420
Midland	401
Ector	188

Average price

Travis	$459,304
Dallas	$359,919
Midland	$345,444
Harris	$317,870
Tarrant	$287,775
Bexar	$248,952
Ector	$228,661
Lubbock	$201,438
Tom Green	$200,853
Taylor	$151,405

Median Price

Travis	$360,999
Midland	$300,000
Dallas	$250,000
Tarrant	$239,270
Harris	$225,501
Ector	$220,000
Bexar	$215,000
Tom Green	$185,000
Lubbock	$171,950
Taylor	$152,000

Months of supply

Harris	3.8	Travis	2.8
Taylor	3.4	Dallas	2.7
Tom Green	3.3	Tarrant	2.5
Lubbock	3.3	Midland	1.8
Bexar	3.2	Ector	1.5

Building permits Aug. 13-17

505 N. Loraine Street	New Commercial	1207 Burgandy Drive	New Residence	1310 Logan Creek Road	New Residence
5115 W. Loop 250 N.	New Commercial	1205 Burgandy Drive	New Residence	2320 Sage Brush Road	New Residence
200 Spring Park Drive	Commercial Alteration	2906 Chelsea Place	New Residence	2326 Shadybrook Road	New Residence
1307 W. Texas Ave.	Commercial-Accessory	2307 Scenic Road	New Residence	2322 Sage Brush Road	New Residence
106 S. A Street	Commercial Alteration	2309 Scenic Road	New Residence	2310 Scenic Road	New Residence
1910 N. Loop 250 W.	Commercial Alteration	2308 Scenic Road	New Residence	2300 W. Loop 250 N.	Sign
3001 W. Loop 250 N.	Commercial Alteration	2320 Scenic Road	New Residence	900 W. Loop 250 N.	Sign
800 N. Big Spring Street	Commercial Addition	312 Woodcrest Drive	Residential Alteration	100 N. Main Street	Sign
505 San Angelo Street	Commercial Alteration	4506 Wildfire Drive	Residential Alteration	1000 N. Midkiff Road	Sign
6301 Holiday Hill Road	Commercial Alteration	3408 Trinity Drive	Residential Addition	4310 W. Illinois Ave.	Sign
701 S. Pecos Street	Commercial Addition	1305 Cowair Court	New Residence		
4511 Corona Court	New Residence	2007 Boyd Ave.	Residential Alteration		
4510 Corona Court	New Residence	1308 Logan Creek Road	New Residence		

Source: City of Midland

Poll: Americans harbor doubts about Trump's tariffs

By Josh Boak and Emily Swanson
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Fewer than half of Americans expect President Donald Trump's tariffs to do much to help the U.S. economy, but their widespread unpopularity hasn't led most Republicans to stray from supporting the president's trade policy as the 2018 midterm elections approach.

Majorities of Americans also doubt the recently announced taxes on imports will increase jobs or wages at home, according to a poll released Friday by The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research.

The survey found that 35 percent of Americans think the tariffs will leave them worse off financially, while only 19 percent expect improvement. Forty percent expect them to help the economy, while 44 percent expect them to hurt and 16 percent expect them to make no difference.

More specifically, about 4 in 10 think the policy will lead to an increase in jobs. Only about 3 in 10 expect wage gains.

Moreover, 72 percent of Americans say the import levies will cause prices for everyday goods to climb. The agreement about tariffs setting off inflation is bipartisan, with Republicans nearly as likely to express concern about rising prices as Democrats.

"Tariffs don't help anybody," said Raymond Brown, 65, a retired truck driver from Rio Grande, New Jersey. "It seems like the tariffs are imposed and the corporations just pass that tax onto the consumer."

A registered Republican, Brown worries that he would need to pay more for a new car because of the steel and aluminum tariffs the Trump administration has added to the cost of importing the metals. He said he fears auto costs could rise even more if tariffs are placed on electronic equipment made abroad that is installed in cars assembled in the United States.

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Yet despite concern about his trade policies, the economy is a relative source of strength for Trump. While only 38 percent of Americans approve of his handling of the presidency, 51 percent approve of his stewardship of the U.S. economy, according to the poll.

The president has benefited from a rising stock market and low 3.9 percent unemployment rate, gains that reflect, in large part, an economic expansion that began during Barack Obama's presidency.

Trump's signature economic achievement is the $1.5 trillion in tax cuts that will take effect over the next decade. While tax cuts provided the economy with a jolt of stimulus, they have garnered lukewarm support from Americans. Forty-five percent of Americans approve of the president's handling of taxes, while 54 percent disapprove.

Michael Schulz, 66, a retired engineer in Alabama, said he has received job offers because of the tight labor market and companies' need for experienced workers. A Trump voter in 2016, Schulz said the president is "doing a pretty fair job." However, he added that he hasn't seen any boost so far from the tax cuts.

"Maybe when it comes to tax time next year," he said. "It appears to have benefited the business sector."

Tariffs — Trump's major economic focus in recent months — could prove to be a risk for the president among the broader public.

Overall, about 6 in 10 Americans disapprove of how the president is handling trade negotiations with other countries. It's something of a rebuke to Trump, a real estate tycoon and celebrity who sold himself to voters as a master negotiator.

Some of the frustration with Trump comes from his eagerness to "carpet-bomb" other countries with tariffs without having a clearly stated strategy for helping workers at home, said Jordan Thompson, 29, who works in information security in Washington state.

"I'm not a great fan of how he interacts with other countries, how he interacts with citizens, how he tries to manipulate everything so that it's what works for him," said Thompson, who said he didn't vote for Trump.

The Trump administration has portrayed the tariffs as a cornerstone of its economic policy, saying these taxes will help extract more favorable terms of trade with China, Canada, Mexico, the European Union and elsewhere.

"Tariffs are the greatest!" the president declared on Twitter last month.

"Either a country which has treated the United States unfairly on Trade negotiates a fair deal, or it gets hit with Tariffs," he continued. "It's as simple as that — and everybody's talking! Remember, we are the 'piggy bank' that's being robbed. All will be Great!"

Trump enjoys a solid base of support among Republicans on his trade negotiation tactics, with 75 percent approving of moves that include a broad showdown with China that threatens tariffs on almost every import from that nation. Only 36 percent of independents and 10 percent of Democrats approve.

Republicans have for decades generally supported free trade and lower tariffs, and the poll found they know there are trade-offs to the president's approach. About three-quarters of Republicans said the tariffs will increase the price of consumer goods, roughly equal to the percentage of Democrats who said the same thing.

Still, the poll also found that two-thirds of Republicans specifically favor Trump's new tariffs. Maxine Sailors, 80, said the public needs to be patient with the president's strategy.

The AP-NORC poll of 1,055 adults was conducted Aug. 16-20 using a sample drawn from NORC's probability-based AmeriSpeak panel, which is designed to be representative of the U.S. population. The margin of sampling error for all respondents is plus or minus 4.2 percentage points.

Poll: Low marks for Trump, except on the economy

By Hannah Fingerhut
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump continues to receive poor marks from a majority of Americans on his overall job performance, even as he enjoys relatively good assessments of his handling of the economy.

A new poll released Friday by The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research finds 60 percent of Americans disapprove of Trump's work as president, compared with 38 percent who approve.

Trump's approval rating has been largely stable over the course of his presidency.

Ratings of Trump among all Americans are equally dim on a host of issues, including immigration and health care, even as the president continues to receive high marks from his base of Republican supporters.

Economy above all

Trump receives his best marks from the public on the economy: 51 percent say they approve of his handling of the economy, more than the share who approve of his performance on any other issue.

Nearly 9 in 10 Republicans approve of the president on economic policy.

And while Democrats are far more likely to express disapproval, 23 percent do approve of the president on the issue. That's a far greater share than the 7 percent of Democrats who approve of the job he's doing overall.

Trump and Russia

About a third of Americans say they approve of the president's handling of special counsel Robert Mueller's investigation into Russian meddling in the 2016 election.

Two-thirds of Republicans approve of Trump on the issue, but that's among the lowest shares of positive views among Republicans of the 10 issues included in the survey.

The poll was conducted before a jury on Tuesday found Paul Manafort, Trump's former campaign chairman, guilty on eight counts of financial crimes and before his former lawyer Michael Cohen pleaded guilty to charges that included campaign finance violations he said he carried out in coordination with Trump.

Low ratings on health care, immigration

Trump continues to receive low approval ratings on both immigration and health care, two issues that Americans tend to name as important to them in the coming midterm elections.

Overall, 38 percent of Americans approve of Trump on immigration, while 36 percent approve of his work on health care.

Democrats are particularly negative toward the president on these issues — just 8 percent say they approve of him on each.

About three-quarters of Republicans approve of Trump on immigration, and a somewhat smaller majority — 7 in 10 — approve of how he's handling health care.

Divided views of North Korea

While Trump's approval rating on foreign policy remains low at 36 percent, Americans are more positive toward the president on his handling of North Korea.

Nearly half of Americans — 47 percent — approve of Trump when it comes to North Korea, while 52 percent disapprove. The share who approve of the president on North Korea spiked to 55 percent following his June summit with North Korean leader Kim Jong Un.

Republicans continue to express support of the president on his handling of North Korea, with 82 percent saying they approve.

About 2 in 10 Democrats approve of his handling of North Korea as well — among the highest Democratic ratings of the issues asked — as do half of independents.

Conservative views

Conservative Republicans are staunchly supportive of the president overall, with 86 percent saying they approve of the president's job performance. This uniform approval carries over to most issues, including the economy (95 percent), taxes (90 percent), trade (87 percent) and North Korea (89 percent).

But when it comes to the budget deficit, conservative Republicans are somewhat less approving — 75 percent say they approve of Trump's handling of the issue.

Conservative Republicans also are somewhat less likely to approve of the president on the Russia investigation (76 percent) and health care policy (77 percent).

National outlook

Most Americans think the country is headed in the wrong direction: 62 percent say the nation is on the wrong track, compared with 38 percent who say the nation is headed the right way.

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Trump ends terrible week at epicenter of GOP civil war

By John T. Bennett
CQ-Roll Call

■ **ANALYSIS**

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump's week was dominated by one plea deal, one conviction and two immunity protections for some of his closest former confidants and aides. The fallout raised questions about the Republican Party, making it fitting he ended the week at the epicenter of the GOP's simmering civil war.

Many senior prominent Ohio Republicans were present in Columbus on Friday evening as the president addressed a party dinner and headlined a fundraiser before. GOP Sen. Rob Portman greeted Trump at the airport, for instance. But the leader of the Buckeye State GOP did not. Nor did Gov. John Kasich make it in time for the fundraiser. And he skipped Trump's dinner remarks.

"I disagree with the president's policies," Kasich said Tuesday, saying he was taking one of his children to college Friday but making his differences with Trump crystal clear: "You've never seen me getting into a vicious attack on his personality. I don't like his leadership style. That's pretty darn clear and I speak out because I think it's really important we become a nation of uniters."

It was only 11 days ago that Trump blasted Kasich for, in the president's eyes, hindering Troy Balderson's bid to capture the state's once-reliably red 12th District House seat. "The very unpopular Governor of Ohio (and failed presidential candidate) @JohnKasich hurt Troy Balderson's recent win by tamping down enthusiasm for an otherwise great candidate," Trump wrote, adding: "Even Kasich's Lt. Governor lost Gov. race because of his unpopularity."

(Balderson was formally declared the winner Friday, though his narrow margin raised anew questions about whether Trump's political appeal applies to congressional races.)

During the dinner, Trump touted his record and predicted it would help the party "do really well" in Senate races. He said Republicans will "surprise people" by winning more Senate races than experts are predicting.

Before Balderson's narrow win became official, Trump spent the week taking fire from not only Kasich, but other Republicans after what could go down as one of the most important weeks of Trump's presidency.

His former attorney and fixer Michael Cohen pleaded guilty to counts that included campaign finance violations stemming from payments to two women in the summer of 2016 that Cohen contends were made at the direction of Trump to influence the presidential race. His onetime campaign chairman, Paul Manafort, was convicted of a slew of charges and could face up to 80 years in prison.

Republican lawmakers urged him to not even consider pardons for either.

Those developments led Democrats to start talking about impeachment.

When Trump again lashed out at Attorney General Jeff Sessions on Thursday, some GOP members, like Sen. Bob Corker of Tennessee, sounded apoplectic and resigned to the president firing his hand-picked AG in a move that they warned could bring backlash from Senate Republicans.

"Bizarrely, there are people in this body now talking like the attorney general will be fired, should be fired. I'm not sure how to interpret the comments of the last couple of hours," Sen. Ben Sasse of Nebraska said on the floor. "I would just like to say, as a member of the Judiciary Committee, and as a member of this body, I find it really difficult to envision any circumstance where I would vote to confirm a successor to Jeff Sessions if he is fired because he is executing his job, rather than choosing to act in a partisan hack."

And with immunity being granted to Allen Weisselberg, a top Trump organization executive, and David Pecker, American Media Inc. CEO, the president's legal and political troubles suddenly have grown — and threaten to throw the Republican Party into chaos.

Ohio's political scene offers telling foreshadowing of trends that could spread into other key states that the president won in 2016 — think Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Michigan, Georgia, North Carolina and Florida — if investigations being led by special counsel Robert S. Mueller and federal investigators in New York state squeeze Trump further.

Rep. Mark Walker of North Carolina, who chairs the Republican Study Committee, acknowledged Friday morning that the Trump and Kasich wings of the party are very much in conflict.

Notably, despite the president's tough week and the growing list of former aides who have pleaded guilty or been convicted, Walker sided with Trump when asked who is winning.

"If you looked at the numbers, you would definitely have to say President Trump," he told CNN when asked if Trump or Kasich is winning the civil war. "The people who elected Trump are not deterred.

In fact ... even with all the Cohen and Manafort — as disgusting as we've seen some of the decisions that these gentlemen have made, it looks like that that core base of Trump supporters is still intact."

Like Trump does so often, Walker focused on the president's base, which has remained consistent at around 40 percent of the overall electorate.

And among Republicans, he often polls well into the 80s.

That means even with the Cohen-Manafort-immunity-Mueller-Russia drama, the Kasich wing has a long way to go to even seriously challenge Trump for control of the party.

Consider that Walker's take comes even as Trump's contention about Kasich appears iffy: A recent Quinnipiac University poll put Kasich's job approval of 52 percent, well above Trump's 43 percent.

But, as Walker noted, that poll showed why, despite his reality television show-like presidency, Trump is winning the party's internal struggle: He remains more popular among Republicans than Kasich.

Some Republicans, like Ohio state GOP Chairwoman Jane Timken, for now, are trying to remain neutral.

Last week, after Trump's twitter strike on Kasich, she used her own humorous tweet to try to remain out of range of the Republican-on-Republican shelling.

"Did you hear the one," she wrote, "about the reporter who asked the Ohio Republican Party Chair to criticize two fellow Republicans who don't always agree with each other?"

That line is good for a time-buying chuckle. But should Democrats take control of the House and the walls continue to creep closer to the president, sides likely will have to be chosen.

The president knows one thing still mostly unites members of his party: attacking Democrats. "Their whole campaign is resist," he said of the opposition party during the event. "They haven't figured out that they lost the election. They're going to figure it out. ... You have left wing haters and radicals."

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CHICAGO

Cities vying for 2020 convention court Democrats

The three cities vying to host the 2020 Democratic convention are courting party leaders and activists at their summer meeting in Chicago.

Houston, Miami and Milwaukee are the finalists. A selection committee has been visiting the potential sites. A decision is expected early next year.

Miami gave people attending the Democratic National Committee meeting a taste of Chicago's waterfront offerings by renting out a boat docked at Navy Pier for its party.

Milwaukee's gathering featured an appearance by onetime Milwaukee Bucks basketball star Kareem Abdul-Jabbar. The city has suggested the Bucks' new arena as the convention's venue.

Gospel singer Yolanda Adams highlighted Houston's party. Houston also scattered promotions throughout the DNC's meeting hotel, including Texas-shaped decals on the carpet and bar tabletops.

CHICAGO

Former pastor claims sex abuse against televangelist

AKRON — A lawsuit filed by a former associate pastor at an Ohio megachurch claims televangelist Ernest Angley sexually abused and harassed him over a 10-year period starting in 2004.

The allegations detailed in a complaint filed Wednesday in Akron by Brock Miller, of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, were previously reported by the Akron Beacon Journal in January.

Miller claims Angley, who recently turned 97, forced him in 2004 to get a vasectomy as a condition of his employment, inspected his genitals and repeatedly asked questions of a sexual nature at Angley's Grace Cathedral in Cuyahoga Falls. The lawsuit alleges Angley made Miller lie on a bed while the televangelist massaged him.

WASHINGTON

Judge deals blow to Trump effort to overhaul bureaucracy

A federal judge dealt a blow Saturday to President Donald Trump's efforts to "promote more efficient" government, ruling that key provisions of three recent executive orders "undermine federal employees' right to bargain collectively" under federal law.

U.S. District Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson also ruled that Trump "exceeded his authority" in issuing the orders.

The White House had no immediate comment on the decision, which was hailed by federal worker unions that had sued to block Trump's use of his executive authority in this area.

"President Trump's illegal action was a direct assault on the legal rights and protections that Congress specifically guaranteed to the public-sector employees across this country who keep our federal government running every single day," said J. David Cox Sr., national president of the American Federation of Government Employees, the largest of the federal worker unions.

Cox's organization, which represents about 700,000 of the approximately 2 million-member federal workforce, was first to challenge the executive orders, filing two lawsuits.

The executive orders, issued by the White House in May, covered collective bargaining rights, grievance procedures and use of "official time."

Andrew Bremberg, the president's domestic policy adviser, said at the time that the orders would "promote more efficient government" by overhauling civil service rules to make it easier to remove poor-performing employees and ensure that taxpayer dollars are used more efficiently.

HONOLULU

Winds die down but rain is still a threat to Hawaii

Strong winds have died down but officials warned Saturday that torrential rains still remained a big threat to Hawaii after once-powerful Hurricane Lane was downgraded to a tropical storm.

Forecasters said as much as 10 more inches of rain could fall on Oahu and Maui as the storm churned about 110 miles south of Honolulu, moving north at 3 mph.

"Don't let your guard down," Brock Long, administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, said during a telephone briefing in Washington. "Tropical storms can be very dangerous and Hawaii is not in the clear."

The storm has dumped nearly four feet of rain in some areas of the Big Island. Maui has seen about 12 inches of rain and wind gusts up to 50 mph in the past 24 hours. Both islands have reported flooding and landslides.

Long said the biggest impact has been on transportation due to debris in roadways, downed power lines and damage to infrastructure, mostly on the Big Island. No storm-related deaths have been reported.

On Saturday, winds on Maui were blowing about 11 mph and the storm was expected to turn west, which would lessen the threat to the islands.

The American Red Cross said more than 1,100 people were staying in shelters, mostly in Oahu. And while the number was down from earlier reports, officials said the figure shows a lot of people are still displaced.

Lane first approached the islands earlier this week as a Category 5 hurricane, meaning it was likely to cause catastrophic damage with winds of 157 mph or above.

NORTH CAROLINA

Social justice movement veterans help Poor People's Campaign

CARTHAGE — As the Poor People's Campaign launches a new initiative, its charismatic leader is working with the generation of civil rights leaders who stood by the Rev. Martin Luther King's side and continued his efforts to stamp out poverty and racism after his assassination.

"The movement for love and justice and truth is always a continuation. It's never completed," said the Rev. William Barber, co-chair of the Poor People's Campaign. "And you never approach any movement for justice as though you were the first one."

Leaders who have battled injustice since the 1960s — the Rev. Jesse Jackson, children's advocate Marian Wright Edelman, and attorney Al McSurely — say the work of the Poor People's Campaign is urgently needed as income and wealth inequality grows.

"Fewer and fewer have more and more, subsidized by the government," Jackson said in an interview at his office in Chicago. "And more and more have less and less."

On Saturday and continuing through October, the campaign will launch a drive to register people for the movement and to vote, piloted by volunteers. Barber said he expects more than 5,000 volunteers to participate in 26 states this weekend.

Volunteers will go beyond merely registering people to vote by emphasizing the connection between joining the movement and casting a ballot and by educating people about the Poor People's Campaign issues, Barber said.

The registration drive is the second phase of action this year. The first, 40 days of activism, ended in June with a rally attended by thousands in Washington, D.C. It was followed by appearances earlier this month by former Vice President Al Gore in North Carolina. Gore spoke at a service at Greenleaf Christian Church in Goldsboro, where Barber is the minister, and at a rally the next day in Greensboro.

King had announced the Poor People's Campaign in December 1967 and planned to hold a massive demonstration on the National Mall in Washington, D.C. But four months later, he was felled by an assassin's bullet. The demonstration that King had planned still took place. Edelman moved to Washington, D.C., to lead the campaign. Protesters set up camp, with Jackson serving as "mayor" of what they called Resurrection City. McSurely brought in busloads of Appalachian residents.

Today, Jackson is president of the Rainbow PUSH Coalition. Edelman is founder and president of the Children's Defense Fund. And McSurely, whose home was firebombed in 1968, is an attorney in Carthage, North Carolina, and serves as adviser to the campaign.

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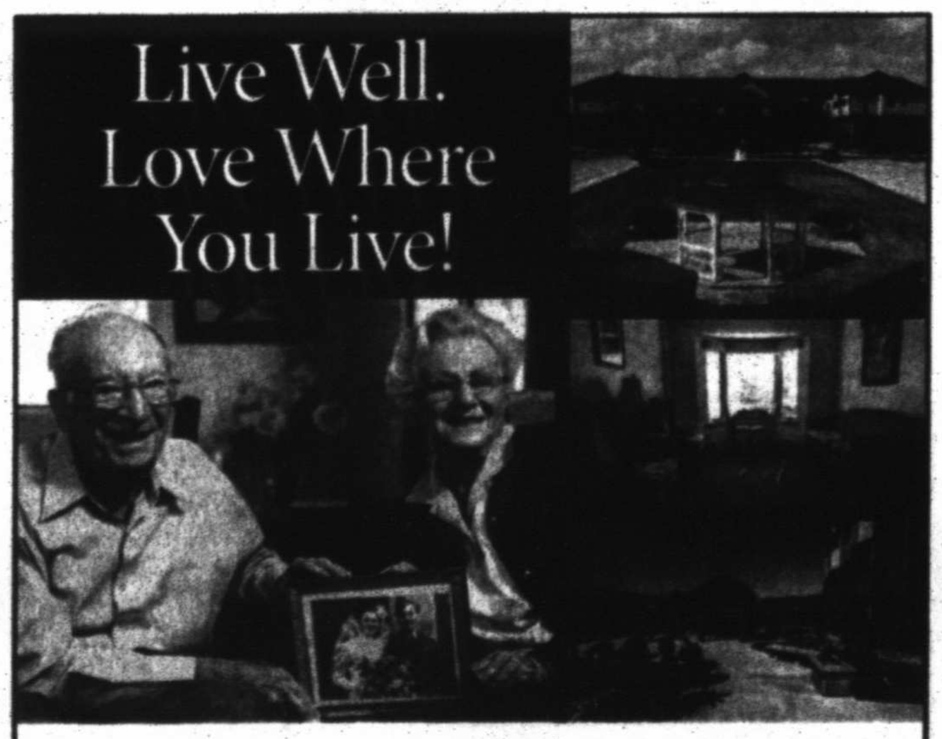

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Walmart, Target showcase retail 'renaissance'

By Matthew Boyle
Bloomberg

Stellar results from bellwethers Walmart and Target have industry analysts asking: Is retail back?

In truth, retail never went away. Sure, troubled chains like Sears Holdings and J.C. Penney are cratering, and icons like Toys "R" Us have disappeared. Sure, Amazon.com is now grabbing about 50 cents of every dollar spent online, leaving traditional retailers to fight over the rest. And of course, President Donald Trump's looming China tariffs could upend finely tuned global supply chains and clobber profits.

But the headwinds battering retailers in recent months have prompted the best of the bunch — a group that also includes Nordstrom, Best Buy and Kohl's — to up their game. They're sprucing up stores, adding more e-commerce delivery options and improving service with better-trained, higher-paid employees. Those efforts have been turbocharged by what Target chief Brian Cornell says is possibly the strongest consumer environment he's seen in his 37-year career. Unemployment is near record lows, consumer confidence is at a 17-year high and shoppers have their wallets out.

"The American retail sector is enjoying a renaissance," Neil Saunders, managing director at GlobalData Retail, said in a note. "Sentiment is upbeat and spending fairly carefree."

The headline numbers are impressive. Walmart, the world's biggest retailer, posted its best quarterly sales gain in a decade this month. Target on Wednesday did Walmart one better with its strongest uptick in 13 years. Nordstrom and Kohl's also outpaced analysts' projections, with all of them benefiting to some degree from the demise of chains like Toys "R" Us and Bon-Ton Stores.

"There are billions of dollars in market share up for grabs and we are positioned to take that," Cornell said on a call Wednesday. "While a lot of boats are rising, we're moving even faster. There are clearly winners and losers and we think we're migrating to the winners' column."

Those winners aren't just picking at the carcasses of rivals — they're spending billions to tailor a better shopping experience and deflect the threat from Amazon, which brought in an estimated $4.2 billion from its 36-hour Prime Day promotion last month. Walmart, Best Buy and Target all held their own competing sales the same week, and Target said its one-day web promotion delivered its best-ever digital revenue performance outside of the holidays.

Target's 41 percent online revenue growth was its highest gain since the retailer started tracking that metric separately four years ago, a spokeswoman said. Walmart saw a similar gain from its e-commerce business, which has been boosted by an online grocery pickup program that's now in 1,800 stores and bringing in new customers.

"Well-run retailers are winning right now," Cornell said. "Others can't afford to invest in the store experience or drive differentiation, and they are giving up share."

The losers include CEO-less J.C. Penney, which saw its stock plunge to historic lows as it put more items on clearance to get rid of excess inventory. The woes of J.C. Penney's and Sears — once solid mall anchors — have created pessimism around the entire department-store sector, hurting rival Macy's, which beat virtually every estimate set by the market but still disappointed investors.

"If you're not doing well now, you'll have a hard time when thing slow down," said Ivan Feinseth, chief investment officer at Tigress Financial Partners.

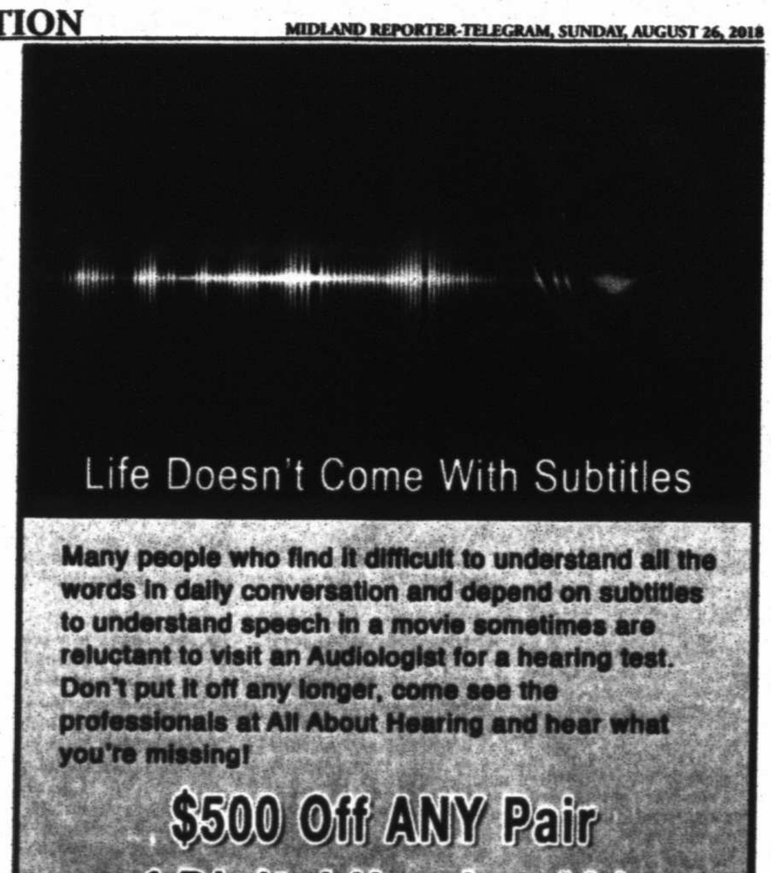
The winners are also willing to place big bets to find new opportunities. Best Buy agreed to spend $800 million this week to purchase GreatCall Inc., which makes smartphones and other networked devices for seniors. Walmart's Jet.com subsidiary has launched a text-based shopping concierge service for time-strapped New Yorkers. Macy's snapped up concept store Story this spring, which rotates out inventory every three months.

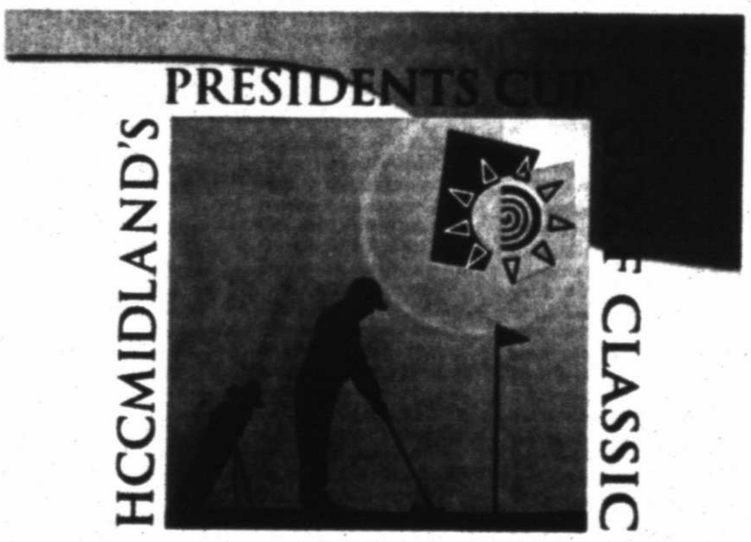
The cost to experiment is high, though. Walmart, Target and others have seen their profitability compress as more of their sales shift to online channels that deliver lower margins, because of the costs of getting the orders to customers.

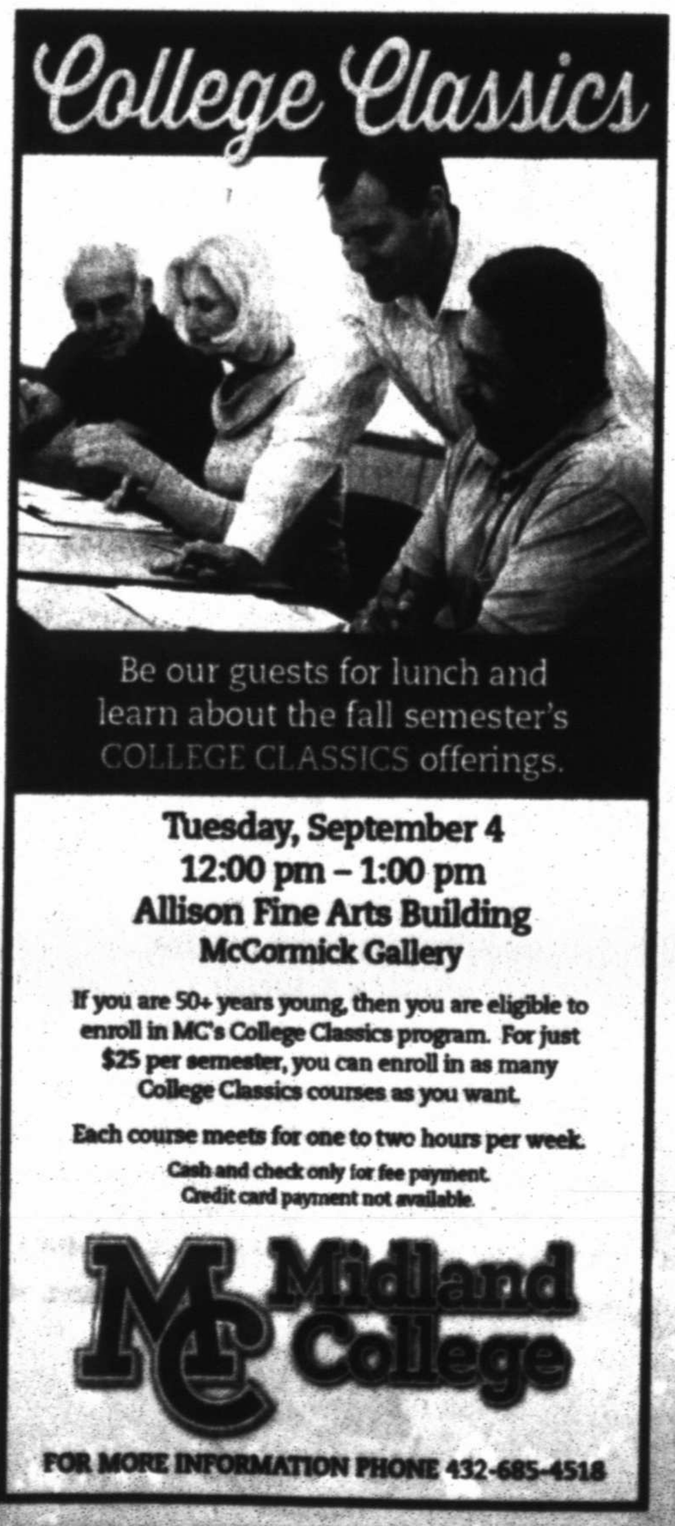
Other warning signs have appeared. Retailers are building up inventory for the holidays and also to get ahead of potential Chinese tariffs, but if they bet on the wrong products or miss a fashion trend, they could end up stuck with products nobody wants. Target's inventory rose 11 percent, which was "one blemish" in the standout quarter, according to Gordon Haskett Research Advisors analyst Chuck Grom.

Still, as long as the economy stays hot, the best retailers will continue to fire on all cylinders.

"The retail environment has changed," said Alasdair McKinnon, fund manager at the U.K.'s Scottish Investment Trust, which holds shares of Target and Macy's. "But that doesn't mean that traditional retailers are dead."







Gorsuch, Kavanaugh have been friends since high school

By Jessica Gresko
Associated Press

LEFT: President Donald Trump's Supreme Court nominee, Judge Brett Kavanaugh, departs after meeting with Sen. Chris Coons, D-Del., a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee on Thursday on Capitol Hill in Washington. ***J. Scott Applewhite/Associated Press;*** **RIGHT:** U.S. Supreme Court Justice Neil Gorsuch speaks at the Eighth Judicial District Conference on Aug. 17 in Des Moines, Iowa. ***Charlie Neibergall/Associated Press***

WASHINGTON — Neil Gorsuch and Brett Kavanaugh first crossed paths over plates of beef stroganoff, shepherd's pie and chicken cubes in a thick, yellow sauce. They weren't business meals. They shared lunch period at their elite, private high school.

Now, the two may dine together for decades, this time at the Supreme Court. If Kavanaugh is confirmed following hearings in September, he will join his fellow Trump nominee at the high court, where tradition is that justices lunch together on days when they hear arguments.

Gorsuch and Kavanaugh's bonds go well beyond a common conservative ideology and their days at the all-boys Georgetown Preparatory School, just 11 miles from the Supreme Court's marble halls. They clerked together at the Supreme Court, became federal appeals court judges the same year, served together on a judicial committee and co-wrote, along with several others, a book about precedent.

When Gorsuch was sworn in last year, Kavanaugh attended a ceremony for him at the Supreme Court. Kavanaugh has said they're friends, noting they've known each other "seemingly forever."

The pair wouldn't be the first friends to serve together on the Supreme Court.

Sometimes those friendships have flourished. Other times, after working together, friends have had fallings-out.

Clare Cushman, the editor of a book of biographies of justices, pointed to several Supreme Court friendships. John Marshall, the court's fourth chief justice, and Bushrod Washington, a nephew of George Washington, studied law under the same man. Sandra Day O'Connor, the court's first female justice, and William Rehnquist dated in law school. Antonin Scalia and Ruth Bader Ginsburg were, in Ginsburg's words, "best buddies" from their years together as appeals court judges in Washington. As colleagues, they attended operas together and had holiday meals together. One picture of them traveling shows them riding an elephant together and waving.

Not all friendships between justices have fared so well. William O. Douglas and Felix Frankfurter were friendly as law professors but became enemies on the court, Cushman said. Warren Burger and Harry Blackmun were childhood friends growing up in St. Paul, and Blackmun served as best man at Burger's wedding. Labeled the "Minnesota twins" early in their time on the court, they grew apart as their votes diverged.

Kavanaugh and Gorsuch seem to be starting out in a good place.

"He is a good friend. He is kind, funny, hardworking and brilliant," Kavanaugh said of Gorsuch in 2017, in a speech just days after Gorsuch's nomination. "With his smarts, his character, and his understanding of life and law, I firmly believe he will be one of the great justices in Supreme Court history, like a Jackson or a Scalia. Watching him the other night, I felt immensely and overwhelmingly proud of him," adding he was also proud of Georgetown Preparatory School, the Jesuit high school outside Washington where they met.

Kavanaugh was a junior when Gorsuch arrived at the school as a freshman. Although they shared a lunch period that year, they didn't run in the same circles. Gorsuch was a boarding student. Kavanaugh was not. Kavanaugh played football and basketball and wrote for the student newspaper. Gorsuch was in student government and the forensics and international relations clubs.

Still, classmates said the school was small enough that Gorsuch and Kavanaugh would have known each other. And because big games tended to bring out the entire school, Gorsuch would have cheered on varsity athlete Kavanaugh in basketball and particularly football, especially against major rivals Landon and Gonzaga, classmates said.

Federal judges appointed by Trump starting to leave their mark

By Matt Pearce
Los Angeles Times

In 2015, Donald Zimmerman, a conservative city councilman in Austin tried a novel strategy to win re-election: suing his own city.

Zimmerman thought the city's $350 limit on municipal campaign donations violated the First Amendment.

A federal judge disagreed. After Zimmerman appealed, the full U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals declined to hear his case, with one judge writing a dissent.

That was James C. Ho, newly appointed to that court by President Donald Trump. He argued that not only did Zimmerman have a case, but also that all donation limits in the U.S. should be abolished.

"The 1st Amendment protects the freedom of speech, and that freedom emphatically includes the right to speak about who our elected leaders should and should not be," he wrote, concluding: "The 1st Amendment therefore protects campaign contributions."

As Washington prepares for a Senate showdown over whether Brett Kavanaugh will join the Supreme Court, Trump has already put his stamp on the judiciary with the lifetime appointments of at least 43 federal judges. Ho was confirmed by the Senate in December by a 53-43 vote.

Trump's total of 22 successfully appointed appeals court judges — as of last month — is more than either of the last two presidents at this point in their terms, according to an analysis last month by the Pew Research Center.

"The real kind of big news is the sheer amount of change that's happening on the court of appeals," said Harsh Voruganti, founder and editor of the Vetting Room, a website that tracks judicial appointments. "I think we're going to see a fair amount of change in jurisprudence."

Trump has reportedly received input in selecting nominees from right-leaning groups such as the Federalist Society. While conservative groups have celebrated his picks, liberal court-watchers are worried.

"What we've seen in only a very limited amount of time is deeply disturbing, and confirms concerns that we had before these individuals were approved by the Senate," said Daniel Goldberg, legal director for the Alliance for Justice, a liberal-leaning, judicial advocacy group.

He singled out Ho and his campaign finance opinion as an example.

During the confirmation process, senators had pressed Ho on a 1997 article in which he supported abolishing "all restrictions on campaign finance."

In a written response, Ho said he had to demur on "stating a personal view on these issues" because he might hear campaign finance cases in the future. But he promised: "If confirmed to be a federal judge, I would respect and enforce the campaign finance laws enacted by Congress, consistent with the precedents of the U.S. Supreme Court."

To Goldberg, it was classic evasion — a judicial nominee trying to present a more politically neutral image in front of skeptical legislators.

"You see nominee after nominee come before the Senate Judiciary Committee, try to run away from their past, and (pretend) the minute they put on their robes, they become a robot and forget all their ideological leanings and everything they've dedicated their lives to over the last 20 or 30 years," Goldberg said.

Another liberal advocacy group, People for the American Way, has launched a blog series called "Confirmed Judges, Confirmed Fears" to track the decisions and votes made by Trump's judicial appointees.

The group cited a recent ruling by a 5th Circuit Court panel, in which Trump appointee Don Willett voted with a 2-to-1 majority to give the presidency broader powers to fire the head of the Federal Housing Finance Agency.

The decision was notable for relying on a theory advanced by Kavanaugh.

The group also flagged another opinion by Ho involving a Texas law that requires abortion clinics to bury or cremate fetal remains rather than disposing of them as medical waste.

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Democrats talk more about missing Kavanaugh documents than abortion

By Sarah D. Wire
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — Senate Democrats' strategy for defeating President Donald Trump's pick for the Supreme Court has so far largely relied on getting the American public to care about a procedural fight over millions of pages of archived documents.

It's a surprising, somewhat arcane topic to zero in on, particularly given the more high-profile issues many predicted would dominate the fight over Judge Brett Kavanaugh's nomination, including abortion, the Affordable Care Act, immigration, executive power and whether a president is subject to a subpoena.

But to the consternation of some Democratic activists, Senate Minority Leader Charles E. Schumer, D-N.Y., and ranking Judiciary Committee member Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., have focused much of their public attention to date on a paperwork battle over how much of Kavanaugh's extensive, archived White House records will be made available for senators to review.

Democrats want to review millions of pages before voting, including documents from Kavanaugh's stint as staff secretary in the George W. Bush White House, and have threatened to sue if they don't get the papers through a Freedom of Information Act request.

Republican leaders are moving ahead with a much more limited release, hoping to seat Kavanaugh in time for the court's opening in October.

Elizabeth Beavers, associate policy director of Indivisible, a liberal anti-Trump group, said Democrats' focus on the bureaucratic process for releasing documents was unlikely to inspire the kind of public backlash needed to block or slow a nomination that she said Republicans are intent on pushing through.

"Chuck Schumer is bringing a FOIA request to a knife fight," Beavers said. "Most ordinary constituents are not enraged and spurred to action by process."

Democrats insist they'll turn their focus to Kavanaugh's judicial record closer to his confirmation hearings — slated to begin Sept. 4 — and activists are gearing up for nationwide protests on social issues like abortion as early as this weekend. But with less than 11 days to go, they haven't pivoted their attention from the document fight.

Feinstein's social media outreach has largely focused on the documents. Of the 59 tweets she's sent about Kavanaugh in August, 49 have been about the fight over his White House records.

Senate Democrats have joined in, using hashtags on Twitter and Facebook like #ReleasetheRecords and #WhataretheyHiding.

Certainly there's been talk by senators about abortion rights, the Affordable Care Act and whether a president under investigation should even get to pick a justice.

That line of argument picked up steam last week with the guilty plea by former Trump attorney Michael Cohen and conviction of his former campaign manager, Paul Manafort.

But Feinstein said the document fight is part of the larger battle.

"It may seem trivial to debate how many pages we can or can't review, or what is public or not public, but withholding even a small number of documents from the Senate or public could prevent key facts from being known," Feinstein said. "This is particularly true because so much is at stake with this nomination ... (including issues that) define who we are as a nation and the extent of the freedoms that we all cherish under our Constitution and laws."

Brian Fallon, a former Schumer aide and Hillary Clinton campaign spokesman who now leads liberal-leaning, judicial advocacy group Demand Justice, said the Democrats' focus on documents may be a deliberate calculation to emphasize a less controversial issue in order to provide political cover for moderates in both parties who are facing a tough vote on Kavanaugh.

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War hero and presidential candidate John McCain has died

By Nancy Benac
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Sen. John McCain, who faced down his captors in a Vietnam prisoner of war camp with jut-jawed defiance and later turned his rebellious streak into a 35-year political career that took him to Congress and the Republican presidential nomination, died Saturday after battling brain cancer for more than a year. He was 81.

McCain, with his irascible grin and fighter-pilot moxie, was a fearless and outspoken voice on policy and politics to the end, unswerving in his defense of democratic values and unflinching in his criticism of his fellow Republican, President Donald Trump. He was elected to the Senate from Arizona six times but twice thwarted in seeking the presidency.

An upstart presidential bid in 2000 didn't last long. Eight years later, he fought back from the brink of defeat to win the GOP nomination, only to be overpowered by Democrat Barack Obama. McCain chose a little-known Alaska governor as his running mate in that race, and turned Sarah Palin into a national political figure.

After losing to Obama in an electoral landslide, McCain returned to the Senate determined not to be defined by a failed presidential campaign in which his reputation as a maverick had faded. In the politics of the moment and in national political debate over the decades, McCain energetically advanced his ideas and punched back hard at critics — Trump not least among them.

The scion of a decorated military family, McCain embraced his role as chairman of the Armed Services Committee, pushing for aggressive U.S. military intervention overseas and eager to contribute to "defeating the forces of radical Islam that want to destroy America."

Asked how he wanted to be remembered, McCain said simply: "That I made a major contribution to the defense of the nation."

One dramatic vote he cast in the twilight of his career in 2017 will not soon be forgotten, either: As the decisive "no" on Senate GOP legislation to repeal the Affordable Care Act, McCain became the unlikely savior of Obama's trademark legislative achievement.

Taking a long look back in his valedictory memoir, "The Restless Wave," McCain wrote of the world he inhabited: "I hate to leave it. But I don't have a complaint. Not one. It's been quite a ride. I've known great passions, seen amazing wonders, fought in a war, and helped make a peace. ... I made a small place for myself in the story of America and the history of my times."

Throughout his long tenure in Congress, McCain played his role with trademark verve, at one hearing dismissing a protester by calling out, "Get out of here, you low-life scum."

But it was just as notable when he held his sharp tongue, in service of a party or political gain.

Most remarkably, he stuck by Trump as the party's 2016 presidential nominee even when Trump questioned his status as a war hero by saying: "I like people who weren't captured." McCain declared the comment offensive to veterans, but urged the men "put it behind us and move forward."

His breaking point with Trump was the release a month before the election of a lewd audio in which Trump said he could kiss and grab women. McCain withdrew his support and said he'd write in "some good conservative Republican who's qualified to be president."

By the time McCain cast his vote against the GOP health bill, six months into Trump's presidency, the two men were openly at odds. Trump railed against McCain publicly over the vote, and McCain remarked that he no longer listened to what Trump had to say because "there's no point in it."

By then, McCain had disclosed his brain cancer diagnosis and returned to Arizona to seek treatment. His vote to kill the GOP's years-long Obamacare repeal drive — an issue McCain himself had campaigned on — came not long after the diagnosis, a surprising capstone to his legislative career.

In his final months, McCain did not go quietly, frequently jabbing at Trump and his policies from the remove of his Hidden Valley family retreat in Arizona. He opposed the president's nominee for CIA director because of her past role in overseeing torture, scolded Trump for alienating U.S. allies at an international summit, labeled the administration's zero-tolerance immigration policy "an affront to the decency of the American people" and denounced the Trump-Putin summit in Helsinki as a "tragic mistake" in which the president put on "one of the most disgraceful performances by an American president in memory."

On Aug. 13, Trump signed into law a $716 billion defense policy bill named in honor of the senator. Trump signed the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act in a ceremony at a military base in New York — without one mention of McCain.

John Sidney McCain III was born in 1936 in the Panama Canal zone, where his father was stationed in the military.

He followed his father and grandfather, the Navy's first father-and-son set of four-star admirals, to the Naval Academy, where he enrolled in what he described a "four-year course of insubordination and rebellion." His family yawned at the performance. A predilection for what McCain described as "quick tempers, adventurous spirits, and love for the country's uniform" was encoded in his family DNA.

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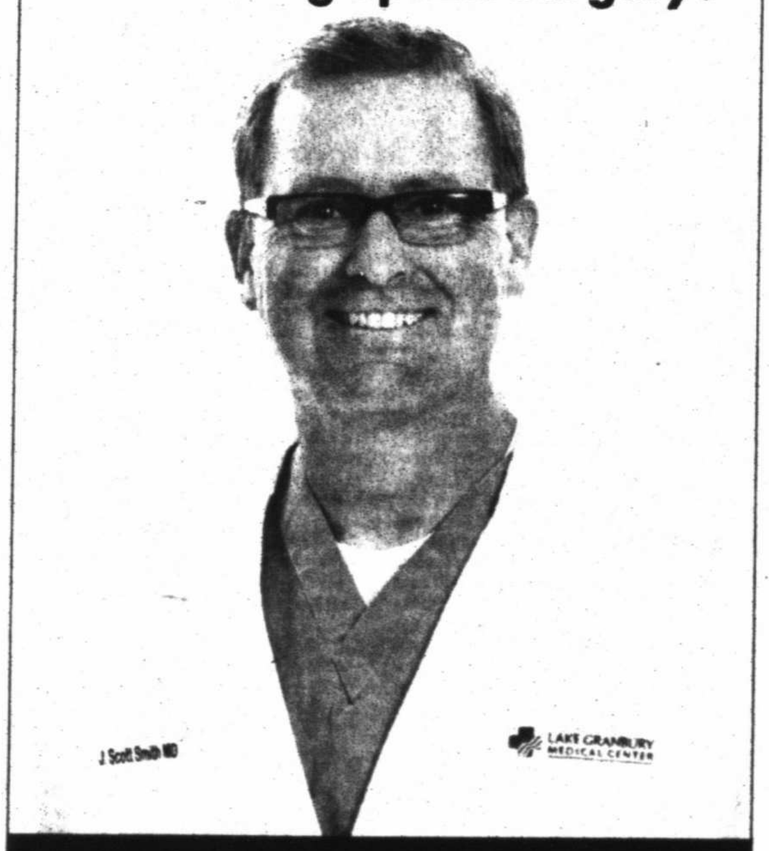

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Horseshoe actions are legitimate, beneficial

STEVEN SCHAFERSMAN
Candidate for county judge

Readers of the Reporter-Telegram will rightly wonder why the Horseshoe — Midland County's admirable and successful trade and stock show venue and event center — has become the foremost issue facing voters when there are so many other county issues that are more important. The Horseshoe is a gem, fully-utilized and well-run that now pays for itself with usage fees and hotel occupancy taxes, but two prominent individuals in our community have criticized it.

MRT Editor Stewart Doreen's editorial terms county money spent on Horseshoe improvements as "monument-building," but he is incorrect. Every addition in the past has led to much greater utilization and higher income for the county, and the new proposed additions are intended to do the same. The Horseshoe was built with the help of certificates of obligation (debt that isn't voter approved) and later it was improved with budgeted money from the general fund, not with higher taxes or a bond election, a tribute to the planning and wisdom of the Commissioners' Court members who rely on the county's excellent credit rating to borrow money. Debt was moderate and quickly paid off, and now Midland County has a state-of-the-art event center that serves the community in remarkable fashion.

If you look at the details of the new $5 million proposal, each item makes sense. The rodeo and horse show arena has only 1,000 seats, so the $900,000 spent on increased seating will bring the arena up to proper capacity and vastly increase ticket sales. The $1 million for RV parking and an event preparation crew house are greatly needed additions that will bring in more people and events. These three improvements were not controversial but the new VIP building and concession stand were, together costing $3 million, but each is also greatly needed. The VIP building will allow promoters to sell more tickets, raise money for charity, and increase the entertainment experience for Amphitheater attendees. The Horseshoe currently cannot meet all the requests for weddings, receptions, and charity banquets it now receives, so the new building will be utilized immediately and become a major revenue source. As for the very large proposed concession stand, projections indicate it will become fully utilized the day it opens, because the current concession area is too limited. All of these improvements will greatly increase the Horseshoe's income for the county and prove the worth of the capital investments.

Terry Johnson also criticized the proposed Horseshoe improvements. In his op-ed, he repeated several mistakes. The county receives 18 percent of the Horseshoe' s gross income, not 10 percent. Horseshoe management believes it will lose only a small number of events to the new downtown Midland Convention Center, not a "substantial percentage, possibly by up to one half." The new convention center is smaller, more limited in the types of events it can handle, and there are substantial parking challenges. Eventually, both venues will be utilized to their capacity as the Permian Basin grows.

As readers know, the contract extension just approved 1 1/2 years before expiration was opposed by Doreen and Johnson, who wanted it put out for public bid. Commissioner Luis Sanchez also asked for this and voted against the extension. Terry and Luis failed to reveal that the original venue management contract was publicly bid around 2003 when the Horseshoe was being planned and built. The bid was won by Dooley Management Company who faced several very inferior bids for management and concessions by entities who had no venue experience and did not prepare adequate bids. No large, qualified, experienced Texas venue management company bid for the Horseshoe contract except DMC, and DMC offered very favorable terms for Midland County, so

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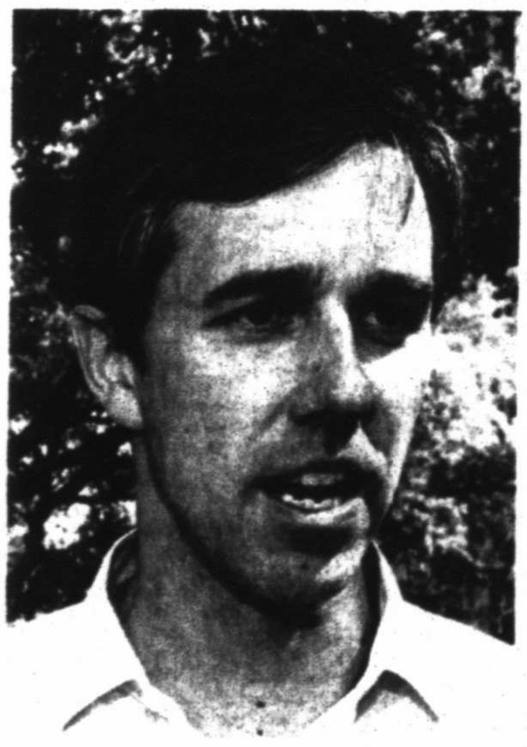

Rep. Beto O'Rourke, D-Texas, left, and U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas.

Houston Chronicle photos by Brett Coomer, left, and Karen Warren.

Close Cruz-O'Rourke race could help Dems

ROSS RAMSEY
Texas Tribune

Editor's note: Check out Monday's Reporter-Telegram and mrt.com for coverage from Ted Cruz's visit to Odessa on Saturday night.

Let us gather together, fellow political buffs, and speculate. You in?

A new poll says Republican Ted Cruz and Democrat Beto O'Rourke are just 4 percentage points apart in the race for U.S. Senate. It follows a slew of polls with single-digit differences between the incumbent and the challenger — an accumulation of flashing yellow lights that has some Republicans spooked and some Democrats dreaming.

The Texas Tribune's Abby Livingston wrote up the details of the new NBC News/Marist Poll, and the Trib's Alex Samuels recently caught a netful of Texas polls and asked some experts what they all mean.

But this isn't about the polls. This is about what a close race might mean.

Texas is set to ditch its straight-ticket voting option in 2020 but it will still be available to voters this November. In the state's ten biggest counties, nearly two-thirds of voters cast their ballots by pulling a party lever instead of working their way down the ballot, race by race.

That means that a close race at the top of the ballot — the so-called marquee race that voters are paying attention to — could produce a different coattail effect than a landslide would.

It's the "rising tide lifts all boats" idea. If one party gets a landslide in a place, like Texas, with straight-party voting, down-ballot candidates can benefit from their marquee candidate's performances.

But even when the top candidates fall short — if their losses are narrow enough — they can make it rain for the candidates downstream.

That happens, to some extent, even in elections when there's no straight-ticket voting; the parties of many past presidents have suffered losses in mid-term elections like this one because voters wanted to send a message to the fellow in the White House.

And gubernatorial races at the top

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Midland PAC plays role in putting students first

MIDLAND STUDENTS FIRST
Political Action Committee

Two years ago, the Midland Students First Political Action Committee was formed with the goal to raise awareness about MISD issues and elect strong members to our local school board. We are a diverse group of individuals from the local community. We are comprised of former educators, mothers, fathers and leaders of the business community. Our common bond is our commitment to ensuring a quality education for every student in Midland, and our belief is that the school board plays a key role. There are many good people working on the many facets involved in improving our schools, and our group is dedicated to the election of strong board members.

Our core principals remain the same:

- We believe in making tough decisions that put students first;
- We believe that all students deserve outstanding teachers;
- We believe that great schools have empowered and accountable leaders;
- We believe in high expectations for everyone involved in education.

We endorsed outstanding candidates in the 2016 election, who were elected and are now sitting members of the school board that hired Orlando Riddick, underwent training and helped MISD garner the designation of a "District of Innovation." We are proud of the impact those new members have made on the board. TEA maintains a "Lone Star Governance Leaderboard" and MISD's school board is currently the No. 1 ranked board in the state.

After that election, we continued our efforts by informing the community of education updates regarding MISD. We attended each MISD board meeting and then condensed and posted the information on our website and social media accounts, shared education events and open meetings information and worked with other education organizations to share their efforts. To date, our social media has more than 1,000 followers and regularly receives messages from people with education questions that aren't sure where to find answers. As we continue to connect people with appropriate resources, we are also continuing to grow our own organization. This year we welcomed three new board members.

The Midland Students First board is made up of Rod Aguilar, Sara Burleson, Christine Foreman, Ernie Garcia, Gary Gray, Alison King, David Lauritzen, Jim Nelson, Jessica Rule and Kate Williamson.

With the filing period closed, we are excited to have so many candidates throwing their hats in the ring. We are grateful for their willingness to serve.

We sent a survey to every candidate, and we will follow up with interviews between our board members and the candidates. We will also seek guidance and input from our members across the

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KARA BELEW
Texas Public Policy Foundation

A-F system is valuable for MISD and Texas schools

The state's A-F School District Accountability Report Card for Midland Independent School District was better than expected — but only just. In the results released on Aug. 15, Midland received a solid C. Superintendent Orlando Riddick didn't make excuses.

"The 2017-18 school year was about kicking up dust ... making difficult changes, setting the stage for transformation, and shifting our culture and expectations to what is best for students," he told the Midland Reporter-Telegram. "We have set the groundwork and are prepared to make gains in academic performance not only at our most vulnerable campuses, but district-wide."

That's the right attitude. Superintendents across Texas are saying the new A-F school accountability system will help school districts, like MISD, improve student results. It also provides parents and communities with better information on whether students are reading and doing math at grade level.

The new A-F school accountability system is a big improvement. It uses familiar and easy-to-understand letter grades, instead of the existing "improvement needed" or "meets standards" designations.

The new system also provides school districts with specific and actionable data explaining how the school district's grade was calculated, where the district did well and what improvements might be needed.

The Midland ISD school board is focused on improving student achievement, and in the past years has even implemented state "best practices" for a Texas school board; specifically, the MISD board has set clear, annual, student achievement goals and is monitoring progress.

Given the MISD board's dedication to improving student achievement, it is sad they have nonetheless passed a resolution asking the Texas legislature to repeal the state's new A-F system, and thereby, deny Midland parent and community members the A-Fs actionable, fair and understandable information about MISD.

The most important obligation of our schools is to ensure our students are reading. In Texas, 58 percent of our third-graders are reading below grade level, and in fourth grade reading skills, we rank 46th nationally. We have an early reading crisis on our hands, and reading success in the early grades strongly correlates with later academic achievement.

The numbers are similar for Midland ISD. According to the new A-F system, a whopping 64 percent of MISD's students read below grade level, while 58 percent are doing math below grade level. MISD results are not much better in writing or science.

Yet we know that the vast majority of Texas children can learn to read, and read well. Texans want and deserve to know if our students are reading at grade level each year. After all, taxpayers are spending more than $60 billion annually on public education.

In the Board's resolution, they say the state's new A-F system should be

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Obituaries

Candyce "Candy" Jane Drummond

Candyce Jane Drummond, (Candy), passed away August 23, 2018 in Midland, Texas.

The Visitation will be August 27, 2018 at Stonegate Fellowship in Midland, TX, from 6:00-8:00 PM in the Prayer Room.

Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 AM on August 28, 2018 at Stonegate Fellowship in Midland, TX, in Building F. Patrick Payton, officiating.

Please wear Bright Colors and Bling in Celebration of a Spectacular Lady!

Candy was born in Colorado City, Texas to Prentice & Joyce Bass of Snyder, Texas on February 12, 1948. She graduated from Snyder High School in 1966. "Go Tigers!!!"

She attended the University of Arkansas, attempting to major in Architectural design. She then became licensed as a Dance Master out of New York City in 1968. She opened and operated 5 separate dance studios in Big Spring, Stanton, Lamesa & 2 in San Angelo, Texas for 13 years. She eventually found her true vocation as a Printer and Graphic Artist, while working in that field from 1984 until her death.

She moved to Midland in 1982 to follow the Oil Boom which then collapsed a year later and went to work for her Stepfather, Herb Feather of Feather Printing. There she found her true calling and met her True Love, Steve Drummond and married him on November 28, 1986, in Midland, Texas.

Her favorite Hobby was the Unofficial Greeter for Stonegate Fellowship. Candy never met a Stranger!!!!

[illegible]dy is preceded in death by her parents; Prentice & Joyce Bass and her Brother Joe Bass of Snyder, Texas. Niece Julie Walton of Midland and Cousin Doug Nolan of Midland.

Candy is survived by her husband, Steve Drummond and daughter, Tiffany Drummond, her brother, Bill Bass of Houston, sister in-law, Carol Bass of Snyder, brother in-law, Don Drummond of San Antonio and former sister in-law, Melissa Bass of Houston; nieces & nephews, Jamie & Cameron Price of Snyder, Jackie Bass of San Angelo, Kate & Marios Parperis of Tulsa OK, Tanner & Reilly Bass of Houston, Cade & Zane Walton of Midland, numerous great nieces and nephews, cousins, JoAnn Nolan of Midland, John & Heather Echols of Midland, Sally & Vernon Itz of Grapevine and their families.

Pallbearers will be John Echols, Joe Robinson, Perfecto Garcia, Patrick Savory, Randy Smith, Rob Bourland and Bill Sneed. Honorary pallbearers will be Mark Mullinix, Mustapha Coesay, & members of Don & Minda Parks Community Group.

Memorials may be given to The Life Center of Midland, Texas.

The family of Candy wishes to extend our sincere gratitude to our Stonegate Family and friends who have been with us in these trying times.

Arrangements are entrusted to Sunset Memorial Gardens and Funeral Home. To send family condolences please sign her guestbook at www.sunsetodessa.com.

SUNSET MEMORIAL GARDENS & FUNERAL HOME

Doak Ivy

Doak Ivy of Midland, Texas passed away in Abilene, Texas on Friday, August 24th, 2018.

A celebration of life memorial service will be held on Monday, August 27, 2018 at 11:00 am in the First Baptist Church Chapel in Midland.

Doak is peacefully with his Lord Jesus. The Ivy family is grateful to the Heavenly Father for gracing this earth with an amazing man to lead, love unconditionally, and demonstrate what it means to seek and follow the Lord with his whole heart. He was an example of humility, integrity, and servanthood with selfless boundaries. He was the rock of his family because he knew that his Rock was Jesus Christ. He was a genuine, hard working, loyal follower of Jesus. He loved his family, his church, his dog, RVing in the mountains, Rockhounds baseball, and his Savior God. He was greatly loved by all his family and friends.

He is preceded in death by his father, Bill Ivy of Midland.

He is survived by his mother, Peggy Ivy, formerly of Midland; his wife of 46 years, Karen Hicks Ivy of Midland; his daughter and son-in-law Trena (Ivy) and Jim Mroczko of Nakuru, Kenya; son and daughter-in-law Kenan and Karen Ivy of Midland, and grandchildren, Will Ivy of Midland, Texas, Julia and Josie Mroczko of Nakuru, Kenya, Jeffrey Mroczko, and Ethan and Kacie Mroczko Andrews of Atlanta, Georgia. He is also survived by his younger sister and brother-in-law Pam and Ron McCormick of Brownwood, Texas; younger brother and sister-in-law Pharris and Nicole Ivy of Midland, and numerous and beloved in-laws, nieces, nephews, cousins and close family friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to His Cherished Ones International Ministry with designation "Papa's Place." Gifts can be given online at www.hischerishedones.org or mailed to HCO Kenya, 11307 Travelers Way Circle, Houston, TX 77065.

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

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James Ezell Dodson

Friday evening, just after he knew the Bulldogs had taken the field, Doc entered heaven to a Homecoming Parade like no other. He now has the best seat in the house to watch his beloved Bulldogs and Horned Frogs.

James Ezell Dodson was born April 22, 1936 in Fort Worth, Texas to Clyde and Beatrice Dodson, "Mom Bee and Pappy." To his Fort Worth friends and family, he was known as Jimmy; His TCU family knew him as Hambone, and his Midland family affectionately called him "Doc."

Dad went to Poly High School in Fort Worth. Because of his small stature, the football coach asked him to be a Student Trainer, a job he fell in love with. After graduating from Poly in 1954, Elmer Brown, Head Trainer at TCU, asked him to be a Student Trainer for the Horned Frogs. Dad balanced his time between TCU and working at an insurance company his freshman year so that he could pay for his tuition. He had to park his 1939 Chevy on a hill on campus because the starter didn't work. By his sophomore year, Elmer was able to give him a scholarship to complete his degree at TCU. During his years at TCU he took care of some of the greatest athletes, Jim Swink, Bob Lilly, Marvin Lasater, and Bob Schieffer. His Senior year he worked with the baseball team when legendary football, basketball and baseball coach Dutch Meyer came out of retirement to coach that year. He and dad roomed together the entire season when they traveled. The team played for the Southwest Conference Championship but dad didn't get to go to the game because he had a final - they lost. Supposedly Dad missed being named Mr. TCU by one vote. When he and his wife Gayle were dating, they ran into a couple from TCU. Gayle mentioned that she voted for them for Mr. & Mrs. TCU. Dad replied, "Thanks - he beat me by one vote." He also had his share of mischief at TCU. One season the Aggie Corps of Cadets made a core trip to TCU for the football game. The TCU Football team managed to steal the senior boots of some of the Corps members. They hid the boots in Dad's closet with the belief that no one would dare look in "Hambone's" room. Fearing expulsion, a team member down below drove a convertible up under the window of Dad's 2nd story dorm room. When the search party arrived at "Hambone's" room, he distracted them with stories about the upcoming game, while the players threw the boots out of the window into the convertible. The boots mysteriously showed up the next day at the hotel where the Corps was staying.

After his graduation from TCU in 1958 he served in the Air Force Reserves. Because Fort Worth only had one Athletic Trainer in the district, Dad volunteered as a trainer for the Carter Riverside Track Team in the Spring of 1959. He took the team to the Texas Relays in Austin. They dropped the baton in the mile relay or they would have won state. A gentleman from Midland, Texas, Audrey Gill watched him take care of the Riverside athletes, and told Dad he had a Head Athletic Trainer's job open at Midland High School. Dad said if Audrey could get him an interview he would be interested. Doc drove to Midland May of 1959 in a 1948 Chevy. He met with Jerry Schneider, the MISD Personnel Director, and he took the job. There was a contract in the mail when dad got back to Ft. Worth for $5000 a year. His first address in Midland was "three trash cans West of the Press Box." Because he was only a few years older than the students he taught and worked with, he was the victim of many jokes and pranks. One prank he mentioned was when a group of girls lit some manure on his back step. They called him to tell him there was a fire in hopes he would stomp out the fire, hence getting manure all over him. Little did they know he had been watching the entire time and jumped out and scared them. His service to our country began in 1958 when he joined the Air Force reserves. He rode the train back to Fort Worth every Friday night after the MHS Football Game to fulfill his commitment. Doc was called back into the service in 1961 for the Berlin Crisis. Although many Fathers of his athletes pleaded with President Kennedy to allow him to stay in Midland, he returned to the service and reported to Fort Polk, Louisiana. In 1962 his younger sister, Margie, the LHS Cheerleading Sponsor at the time, introduced him to Gayle McMullan. She was also a graduate of TCU and remembered meeting Doc at a football event at TCU. They were to have their first date on Saturday night but Dad called Friday night from Amarillo and said he had an athlete hurt in the football game. He had to stay at the hospital in Amarillo with the kid and would miss their date. His schedule delayed their actual first date which was on Sept. 1, 1962. They married November 27,1963 and spent their honeymoon in El Paso, TX at a basketball tournament. They spent summers at Sul Ross in Alpine, and received their Masters in 1967. In April of 1969, Doc began his most treasured assignment, that of a Dad and family man. Kelly was born in 1969 and Jamie was born in 1971. Because he had two girls, he was often asked if he wished he had any boys. He always responded that "he had plenty of boys he called his own."

Doc retired as Head Athletic Trainer for the Midland High Bulldogs in 1990, and began working with Dr. Don Floyd as the Director of Physical Rehabilitation. Doc spent the last 30 years with Dr. Floyd working with the athletes of the Permian Basin, and coordinating school physical days, Saturday morning football clinics, and early morning physical therapy sessions for local athletes. He continued to play an active role in Midland High Football watching from the sidelines with Dr. Floyd as Team Physician. Doc cultivated a valued partnership between our Orthopedic and Sports Medicine specialists and local athletic trainers spanning from Pecos to Big Spring, Fort Stockton to Andrews, and beyond.

Dad was a very humble man but received many accolades for his extraordinary character.

In 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson awarded Doc a certificate of merit for saving a young girls life. He received the Distinguished Service Award as the Outstanding Young Man of Midland, 1972. Outstanding High School Trainer in the United States in 1977 & 1980, City of Midland "Centennial Citizen", 1985, Midland Sports Community Achievement award, 1994. Doc also won the esteemed American Academy of Orthopedics and Sports Medicine's award for Outstanding Athletic Trainer in the U.S. in 1991, and in 1998 was nominated for the prestigious Jefferson Award presented to 15 recipients throughout the United States whose lives, careers, and volunteer activities embody the finest examples of public service. He has earned many awards throughout his decades of service to the Permian Basin including being honored with his own day by the City of Midland three times, and Doc and his family were named Midland's "Family of the Year".

In 1972, Doc had the distinguished honor of being the first High School Trainer selected to be the Athletic Trainer for the World Olympics in Munich Germany. He was assigned to the Kayak Team but had the privilege of working on many athletes as they floated into the Training Room. He had a special connection to the Israeli Athletes preparing them for their events before they were taken hostage. He came home to many accolades including the Outstanding Young Man of Midland in 1972. However, watching his daughter Jamie take her first steps upon his return at the airport was the most thrilling. His other honors included: Outstanding High School Trainer in the United States, 1977 & 1980 City of Midland "Centennial Citizen", 1985 Midland Sports Community Achievement award, 1994 American Academy of Orthopedics and Sports Medicine's Outstanding Athletic Trainer in the U.S., 1991 Champions Award of Excellence, City of Midland, 1999 Midland Independent School District Hall of Honor, 2012. SWATA President, 1965-1966 SWATA District Treasurer, 1966-2001 SWATA Executive Secretary, 1967-1995 SWATA Hall of Fame Charter Member, 1985 NATA Hall of Fame Member, 1985 Athletic Trainer, Texas High School Coaches All-Star Games, 1963, 1968 Athletic Trainer, USA Olympic Team, Munich, Germany, 1972 Cap Harding Award recipient, Eddie Wojecki Award recipient, Frank Medina Award recipient, NATA 25 Year Award recipient, Permian Basin Jefferson Award recipient, Charter Member, NATA Certification Board, NATA Representative to the American College of Health Association, Family of the Year.

In May of 1992 his status as the only male in the family changed when Kelly married Todd Hullender. The male female ration evened out when Jamie married Jeff Brown in 2009. In 1995, Dad began the role he was created to play, that of the incredible Grandfather. He became Daddy Doc in December 1995 when Blair was born to Kelly and Todd, followed by Mills in 1997, Sam in 1999, and Jeffrey in 2011. He treasured taking naps with his Grandbabies, laying them on his chest and rocking them to sleep. He offered valuable advice and encouragement to his four grandchildren, along with the importance of a strong work ethic and positive attitude, but most importantly his love for Jesus. He had the privilege of watching Blair graduate from his beloved TCU, Mills and Sam from Midland High, and Jeffrey from Kindergarten. He never missed the girls soccer basketball and volleyball games and was so proud to watch Sam play in purple and gold as a Bulldog. Doc leaves a beautiful, Godly legacy to the love of his life, Gayle McMullan Dodson, his daughters Kelly Dodson Hullender and husband Todd of Midland; and Jamie Dodson Brown and husband Jeff, of Phoenix. His four grandchildren that he loved more than life, Meredith Blair Hullender, Millicent Brooke Hullender, Sam Henry Hullender, and Jeffrey Reed Brown III, his brother "Bud" Dodson of Hurst, his sister Jane Wilkinson of Bridgeport, his brother in-law Leslie Austin McMullan. His loved ones that welcomed him into heaven Friday night were his parents Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Henderson Dodson, his in-laws Mr. & Mrs. D.K. McMullan, sisters Nancy Dodson Opperman, Margie Dodson Thies, and his brother in-law Leslie Austin McMullan.

Of all that Doc was known for, his most treasured title was that of a Believer. He loved His Lord and wanted to make sure everyone knew what a friend Jesus is to all. He always said it was better to see a sermon than to hear a sermon. He lived every day of his life as a reflection of Christ. No Regrets - All Out. He always had words of wisdom, also known as "Doc-isms," including "If that is the worst thing that happens to us today, we are going to be okay." When we told him to have a great day his response was "We're gonna make it that way." If he could tell everyone one more things, he would tell everyone to live each day glorifying God.

The family will receive friends from 4:00 to 7:00 PM Sunday, August 26, 2018, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. A graveside service will be held at 12:30 PM on Monday at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory of Midland. A funeral service will be held at 2:00 PM Monday, August 27, 2018, at First United Methodist Church, Midland, Texas.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Doc Dodson Memorial Scholarship through the Permian Basin Foundation, the UTPB Doc Dodson Student Athletic Trainer Scholarship, or First Methodist Church Midland Doc Dodson Memorial Fund.

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

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Death Notices

Carl Wesley Calhoun Jr.

Carl Wesley Calhoun Jr., 71 of Midland passed away Thursday August 23, 2018.

Visitation will Monday August 27, 2018 starting a 6:00pm to 8:00pm at the Ellis Funeral Home.

Funeral Services will be held on Tuesday August 28, 2018 at 10:00am in the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel.

Arrangements are by Ellis Funeral Home.

Howard Floyd

Howard Floyd 47, passed away Friday, August 24, 2018 surrounded by loved ones. A celebration of life service will be held Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at Midland Bible Church 5900 Whitman Dr, Midland TX 79705. Funeral arrangements are in the care of American Heritage Funeral Home and Cemetery. 4100 N. FM 1788 Midland, TX. 79707.

Robert Holton Dawson

Robert Holton Dawson, 81 of Midland passed away on August 24, 2018. He was born on January 1, 1937 in Corsicana, Texas.

A memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at Grace Presbyterian Church, 2801 North Garfield Street, Midland, Texas 79705.

He is survived by his wife, Fran; his son, Bob; 2 grandchildren.

Flowers may be delivered to Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

Belew

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scrapped because it relies on STAAR testing. No one likes high-stakes tests, of course — but the STAAR is currently our only way to independently measure if MISD students are learning and growing at grade level each year, make consistent comparisons overtime and ensure MISD has the same high expectations as other school districts — whether in the Panhandle or the Valley.

Furthermore, STAAR questions are written, designed and approved by Texas school teachers, are aligned with the state's curriculum standards.

What's more, parents will be able to log onto the state STAAR website and see exactly how their child did on the STAAR test, down to the individual questions that were asked and what the correct answers were — and why. Never have Texas parents had so much usable information about their children's educational attainment.

Additionally, the new A-F system doesn't simply take the raw STAAR scores and slap on a grade for school districts. It takes other things into account, as well, including how Midland ISD is doing compared to districts with similar levels of poverty, and if students are learning and growing. MISD has room to improve in both areas.

The Midland ISD board also complains that it should be able to develop a local accountability system. Importantly, however, it can develop its own system! For the first time in Texas history, school districts can develop and implement local school accountability grades to reflect community interests.

Midland ISD students are not harmed by an A-F rating. They are harmed if they graduate high school unable to read. It's important that we ensure they are given every opportunity to succeed, and for us to do that, we must have the best data available.

The state's new A-F accountability system will provide that, in a far more comprehensive way than older systems were able to do.

Kara Belew is senior education policy advisor at the Texas Public Policy Foundation. Previously, she was deputy commissioner of finance at the Texas Education Agency, managing the state's $60 billion-per-year school finance system.

Trip to France is painted in lavender

TUMBLEWEED SMITH
Columnist

Years ago, I saw a photograph of lavender in bloom in France. It was a striking photograph that touched me, and I put it at the top of my list of places I wanted to visit. When a river cruise offered a chance to see the lavender fields I persuaded my wife we should go.

We flew to Marseilles where the grounds around the airport were filled with lavender in full bloom, providing an unmistakable fragrance. It is an intoxicating scent. No wonder lavender is the basis for most perfumes. It is also used for medicines, makeup, cookies, ice cream, candy and of course, soap. The name of the plant comes from the French word laver, which means to wash. Sachets made of lavender plants can be placed in closets where bedding is stored. Massage oils and teas are popular items. With lavender syrup, you can make a lavender martini.

The cruise started in Avignon. We arrived on a Sunday, and the trip to the lavender fields was scheduled for Monday. The lavender crop covered a large part of Provence; it was a breathtaking sight.

Fields and fields of deep purple stretched to the horizon. Some of the plants were lavandin, an offshoot of lavender that is lighter in color. The rows were neatly maintained and contained healthy plants ready for harvest.

There is something extremely satisfying about looking at what Mother Nature can provide. It gives a sense of peace and contentment. When I see beautiful flowers in bloom, the earth is in perfect orbit, God is in his heaven and all is right with the world. I'm a sucker for gardens.

I've been to Butchart Gardens in Canada, Keukenhof Gradens in Holland, the flower fields in Carlsbad, California, and gardens in Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas. One of the best photos I've taken was of a large white rose in Butchart Gardens with droplets of water on it from a recent shower.

We visited a lavender farm and distillery that had been in the same family for six generations. The flower is grown and distilled on the premises. As members of our tour walked through the fields there was a hush, as people seemed to think they were in a spiritual place. The only sound was from cameras capturing the beauty. It was surreal. Provence is the gastronomic capital of France, so it is a huge agricultural area. It is beautiful with its medieval cities, narrow cobblestone streets, castles with pointed tops, fields of grapes, scenic rivers and plazas shaded by sycamore trees. I can see why France is considered the No. 1 tourist destination in the world.

Ector County commissioners just don't get it

GUEST VIEW

Odessa American

An almost audible sigh can be heard from voters in Ector County.

We applaud Ector County commissioners for doing the right thing and raising salaries for county workers (especially jail workers and other law enforcement personnel). But voting themselves a whopping 10 percent raise is just ridiculous.

They earn a great salary, and that money could have been put to better use in the county. Shoot, move it over and fix a road or buy a new law enforcement vehicle. But the Commissioners' Court won't do that.

They also won't do what needs to be done to get the proposed sales tax in the county passed by voters. The proposal has already failed once by a wide margin. We are actually in favor of the county getting the sales tax. Many counties do and this does not seem to be an unreasonable request.

The last election had 992 voters shooting down the proposal and just 561 in favor of it.

If the proposal had passed, the county would have established a new 1.25 percent sales tax in unincorporated parts of Ector County, which is everywhere but inside the city limits of Odessa and Goldsmith. That would have brought the total sales tax paid throughout Ector County in-line with the city of Odessa: the maximum rate of 8.25 percent allowed by state law.

The windfall for the county would have been significant.

County officials estimated the new sales tax would have raised about $15 million a year, or more than a fourth of the county's $59 million expenditure budget that today relies mostly on property taxes.

But we believe it will fail again because of a few simple reasons:

1. Voters don't believe the Commissioners' Court will use the funds for things that voters want. They believe the Commissioners' Court wants the sales tax to fund a new courthouse (which they technically can't use it for — but voters believe they will move funds around to make that happen).

Now, we are not saying that something doesn't need to be done about the courthouse, but voters want to feel safe and have better roads *now*.

2. Perception is reality. Voters perceive that sometimes poor decisions are made with tax dollars. The county judge, who, when asked if voting with commissioners to give themselves a raise was appropriate, said that question should be posed to more senior commissioners and that she "took a pay cut to take this job." Well, that's not going to go over well with voters who already believe that the court is overpaid. Again, perception.

The county hosted public meetings last year to see what voters wanted. Voters came out and told them. Guess what? No one (that we know of) said "I really want you guys to find a way to build a courthouse."

Nope. They want (and in this order) more and better-equipped law enforcement. They want the shoddy roads fixed. Other items came up ... like water and parks. But no one wanted a new courthouse.

What can the county do to convince folks? Again, we are in favor of the sales tax and hope that our county gets those much-needed funds. We have suggestions for the court on how to woo voters.

Target the people who voted in the last county sales tax election — only about 1,600. And try doing the following:

- Listen. During last year's "listening tour," voters clearly listed their top concerns as law enforcement, illegal dumping, roads and fire protection.
- After listening, sign a pledge to voters that the money raised from the sales tax will only be used for those two categories for, say, the first five years of receiving the sales tax revenue, should it be approved.
- Use the other half of that money from the first five years to fix roads.

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RAMSEY

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can have a trickle-down. In 1998, George W. Bush buried Democrat Garry Mauro, with 68 percent of the vote to Mauro's 31 percent. That left at least two statewide Democratic candidates — John Sharp and Paul Hobby — wondering what might have been. Sharp finished 68,731 votes — out of 3.7 million votes cast — behind Rick Perry in the race for lieutenant governor. Hobby's miss in his bid for comptroller was even smaller; just 20,223 separated him from the winner, Carole Keeton Rylander.

What if Bush hadn't provided that big cushion?

Four years earlier, Bush defeated incumbent Ann Richards by fewer than 8 percentage points. Democrats won the next five statewide races on the ballot.

Republicans have dominated Texas politics ever since, often by big margins.

But the polling in this year's U.S. Senate race encourages speculation. Even if Republicans continue their winning streak, a 5-point win could play differently down-ballot than a more typical 20-point win.

A Republican congressman in a swing district — Will Hurd of Helotes — or in a district that's hotly contested — a group that includes Pete Sessions of Dallas, John Culberson of Houston and, perhaps, John Carter of Georgetown — could be jeopardized by the thin air cover from the Senate race.

Hurd's is a true swing district, winnable by candidates from either party. Notably, he's alone among Republicans in the Texas congressional delegation in putting some daylight between himself and the Trump Administration. He was also half of that Facebook buddy flick with O'Rourke last year, when the two livestreamed a cross-country road trip, talking about politics. If the Senate race one notch above him on the ballot is tight, all of that could be important insulation against Democrat Gina Ortiz Jones and Libertarian Ruben Corvalan.

Sessions and Culberson are in different territory, defending historically safe Republican districts against vigorous challenges from well-financed Democrats. Sessions' opponents are Democrat Colin Allred and Libertarian Melina Baker; Culberson will face Democrat Lizzie Pannill Fletcher in November. The outcomes depend on many variables: who turns out voters, whose ads are more effective, Trump's popularity and so on. The race above them is another of those.

Democrats want O'Rourke to win the top race, of course — they're Democrats. But if he loses, they at least want a close race. That could create some wins for candidates lower on the ballot — and give political speculators something to talk about.

SCHAFERSMAN

From 1B

its bid was properly chosen. Since 2006, when the Horseshoe started operating, management, scheduling, and concessions have been nothing less than spectacular. If we ignore $1.5 million in capital expenses for the last three years and the newly assumed $5 million capital proposal, the Horseshoe has always operated in the black without general fund payments. It has been heavily utilized, well marketed (all weekends are filled with events this year and planned in 2019), and all evaluations and reports have been excellent. Commissioners have therefore repeatedly renewed the contract because things have been operating so well. Yes, capital expenses come out of budgeted general fund money, but these are one-time expenditures that the county can afford to pay.

Some individuals don't understand that large public venues need to be marketed and scheduled by a knowledgeable, professional and experienced management company. Our esteemed Wagner-Noël Performing Arts Center, by every measure now a tremendous success, was originally managed by a single individual who was unable to perform the job. The venue was not marketed well, it was under-utilized, and it began losing money. That original manager was replaced in six months by a professional theater management company with a national reputation and the skills, contacts, and experience Wagner-Noël needed to be successful.

Terry Johnson has explicitly stated his desire that local people can take over and manage the Horseshoe as successfully as DMC. I seriously disagree. The commissioners did not want the expiring contract to be competitively bid again because everything is working so well. A low-ball bid by unqualified local applicants would be rejected and probably result in recriminations and possible litigation. Why would the county commissioners want that bag of worms? The only reason that Precinct 3 Commissioner Luis Sanchez gave, alone among the commissioners, for wanting a new public bid was that he wanted to see if there was a better management company than the current one, which he acknowledged was very good, but we didn't know if we had the "best one." I learned long ago that the better is the enemy of the good, that is, striving to improve something good often leads to new problems and you sometimes lose the good. In the case of the Horseshoe, the best is the enemy of the excellent.

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community. We will post the answers from our questionnaire on our website. Our goal is to be very open and transparent with the decisions we make. If you have input on any of the candidates please feel free to contact us.

Once we have selected candidates to endorse, our team of dedicated volunteers will get to work. We plan to communicate directly with voters, using a number of tactics including grassroots organization and voter contact.

If you would like to be involved in the process, please join us. To find our more about our PAC please visit midlandstudentsfirst.com, email us at info@midlandstudentsfirst.com, and follow us at https://www.facebook.com/MidlandStudentsFirst/ or https://twitter.com/MStudentsFirst.

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Water	2 families	$1,238.11
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Transportation	1 family	$1,619.78
Medical	2 families	$1,003.04
	TOTAL	$26,252.61

Our thrift store is busier than ever, thanks to the many, many generous donations we receive from all of you in Midland and the increasing number of new shoppers we get each day as word gets out about our store. We cannot get over the outstanding quality of the items we receive, and we are so excited to be able to offer them to our shoppers. Right now we have lots of Harley Davidson shirts, many video game consoles and games, numerous Kindles, and even a few tablets. Our clothes are always of the highest quality and are of quality brand names. We also offer FR clothing and designer jeans (at slightly higher prices). In addition, we are still running our fabulous book sale for $2 per bag and $5 per box. Our prices absolutely cannot be beat in Midland! Please come see us. We always have new items arriving daily.

And please know that each purchase you make at our thrift store goes 100% to helping the poor and disadvantaged of Midland County. As most of you know, we are an all-volunteer organization so every penny you spend in our store goes to help the poor.

On another note, we have not been able to do pickups at our store lately except on Saturday. That is due primarily to the fact that our economy is so crazy busy right now that we have a hard time recruiting volunteers to drive our trucks. They are all busy working (which is a good thing for them and for Midland, but kind of sad for us...). Anyway, keep listening to our helpline, we hope to be up and running again very soon. But always remember, we are committed to being all-volunteer, so we will always be at the mercy of who is able to come and help. In the meantime, we always thank you blessedly for your continued support or Helping Hands and for continuing to allow us to be your arms in reaching out to the poor. God bless you all!

PRO

Will Trump's tariffs create a stronger American economy?

CON

Tariffs even score against predators

WHIT FLORA
Tribune News Service

One only needs to take an Amtrak train bound from Baltimore to Philadelphia to witness scores of abandoned factories — all victims to one-sided U.S. free-trade pacts with cheap labor countries like China.

While there is a valid argument that America's industrial base was overtaken by technological advances, such as automation and robotics, the fact that even modern American manufacturing plants have joined the ranks of the abandoned show how nations like China, Mexico and India are capturing America's techno-industrial base.

Companies like Apple, Carrier, Leviton, Whirlpool, La-Z-Boy and Harley-Davidson were eager to outsource their manufacturing to foreign locations, where cheap labor abounds.

Trump's tariffs leave these and other countries with a simple choice: Either maintain or return manufacturing of their products back to America or face a punitive import tax on goods imported from their factories abroad.

President Donald Trump's imposition of "fair trade" tariffs has worked the way it was intended to — boosting the number of U.S. manufacturing jobs.

Sectors that have benefitted from Trump's protectionist policies include solar panels, washing machines, flat screen television, steel and aluminum manufacturing.

So far, manufacturing jobs are increasing across the nation, especially in distressed cities like Buffalo, N.Y.; Louisville, Ky.; and Huntsville, Ala., where U.S. firms abandoned their plants for the allure of cheap overseas labor but now are "reshoring" jobs lost to foreign outsourcing.

Obviously there remains much more for Trump to do to reverse the labor drain from America that claimed 5 million manufacturing jobs since 2000.

Ratings agencies, like Moody's, have responded to Trump's 25 percent tariff on imported steel by improving the investment picture for the U.S. steel industry.

Similarly, the American aluminum industry is seeing increases in stock valuation because of Trump's 10 percent tariff on imported aluminum.

Tariff protections for U.S. steel and aluminum have not only resulted in an improved outlook for investors in both industries but have translated into more jobs and greater manufacturing capacity in the United States.

Trump, like unsuccessful 2016 Democratic presidential candidate Bernie Sanders, promised to act against countries like China, which had enjoyed an unbalanced trade relationship with the United States that emaciated America's blue-collar labor force and the local economies that were left shattered by job loss.

Since Trump retaliated against America's manufacturing competitors in Asia and Latin America, U.S. companies are thinking twice about off-shoring manufacturing.

Some are opting to assemble products at U.S. factories, using a combination of domestically-made components and those manufactured abroad.

For this "one foot in America, one foot abroad" policy, companies are seeking tariff relief for components that require cost-prohibitive assembly line installation.

These partial U.S. manufacturing firms, while not perfect, are a step in the right direction and help take the sting out of unintended consequences of Trump's tariffs. Some manufacturers of automotive parts have even moved back to Michigan from China.

Overall, Trump's tariffs are having the desired effect in key industries.

One is medical technology, an area in which the United States always excelled. For instance, Insulet Corporation, the manufacturer of insulin delivery systems, is moving its plant from China to Massachusetts. Other bio-industry and pharmaceutical firms are relocating manufacturing from China and Europe to states like New Jersey and Rhode Island.

Level-headed trade policies by Trump have also seen the U.S. semiconductor industry return some of its manufacturing jobs from China, Malaysia and Taiwan to American shores.

Trump's tariffs have come under fire from some traditional economists.

In the long-run, however, America will be better off for adopting a sane trade policy. And polls show that many voters are prepared to endorse when they go vote in the upcoming midterm elections.

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Tariffs are too great a gamble

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After a long, slow climb following the Great Recession, the U.S. economy is finally thriving again.

Thanks largely to tax and regulatory reform, wages and take-home pay are higher, employment has risen and the consumers who drive the economy are confident.

Things are so good that at the National Retail Federation, we have increased our economic forecast for 2018, predicting retail sales will grow at least 4.5 percent over 2017 rather than the range of 3.8 percent to 4.4 percent we predicted earlier this year.

But that revised forecast could have been even higher if not for a number of unknowns — the biggest of which is the growing trade war threatening our nation's economy.

Negotiations to modernize the North American Free Trade Agreement have been going on for a year, accompanied by repeated threats to pull out of the landmark pact between the United States, Canada and Mexico that has created U.S. jobs and lowered prices for U.S. consumers for a quarter century.

Tariffs were imposed on imported steel and aluminum earlier this year, and have already been reflected in higher prices for everything from canned beer and soda to nails and washing machines.

This summer, tariffs on $50 billion in goods from China have taken effect, with the threat of tariffs on an additional $200 billion waiting in the wings.

While the first set of tariffs have affected relatively few consumer goods, that will not be the case with the next round, and retailers have been breaking records at U.S. ports as they bring merchandise into the country before the new import taxes can take effect.

Let's be clear: Tariffs are taxes that are paid by U.S. businesses and, ultimately, hard-working Americans. Almost any economist will say tariffs are bad.

Look at the Smoot-Hawley Tariff Act of 1930, which many historians say contributed to the Great Depression.

With tariffs on most consumer goods yet to take effect and retailers stocking up ahead of that, consumer pain may build slowly at first.

But higher prices are inevitable since retail industry profit margins averaging about 2 percent are far too narrow to absorb tariffs as high as 25 percent.

Retailers cannot quickly or easily restructure complex and sophisticated supply chains. And with many of these products in question no longer made in the United States in mass quantities, sourcing would likely go to other foreign suppliers rather than U.S. companies.

Even if prices don't rise immediately, that doesn't mean the effect of tariffs won't still be felt this fall and winter. Perception can become reality, and the mere talk of tariffs can negatively impact consumer and business confidence, leading to a decline in spending and even job creation.

Furthermore, retaliatory tariffs from China and other countries are already targeting and impacting U.S. exports ranging from agricultural products to manufactured goods. Retailers in farm communities and those in small towns with manufacturing jobs tied to exports will feel the impact of retaliation acutely.

It's time to stop gambling with our nation's economy and make the deal that puts China's abusive trade practices to an end without throwing away the benefits of tax reform and making hard-working Americans pay the price.

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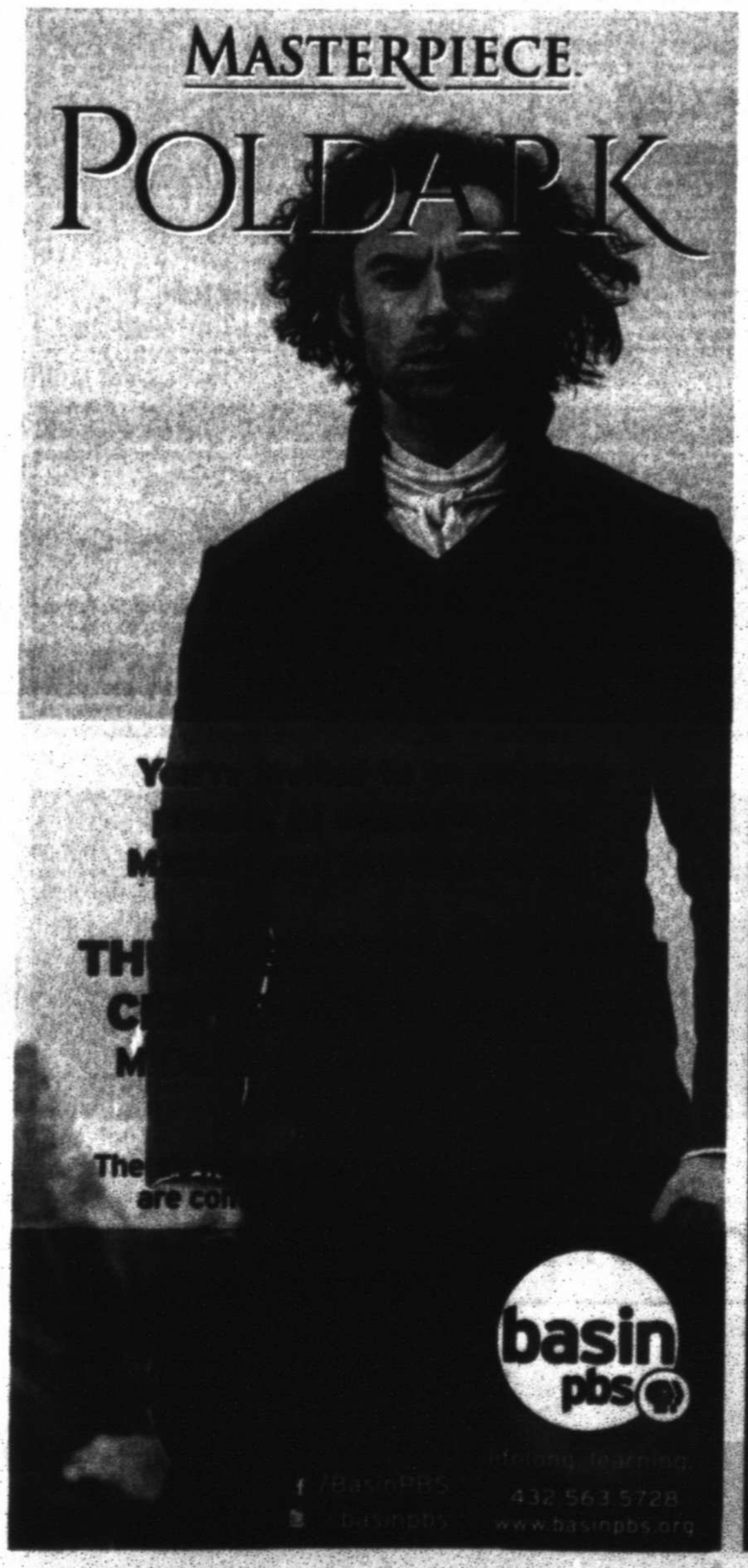

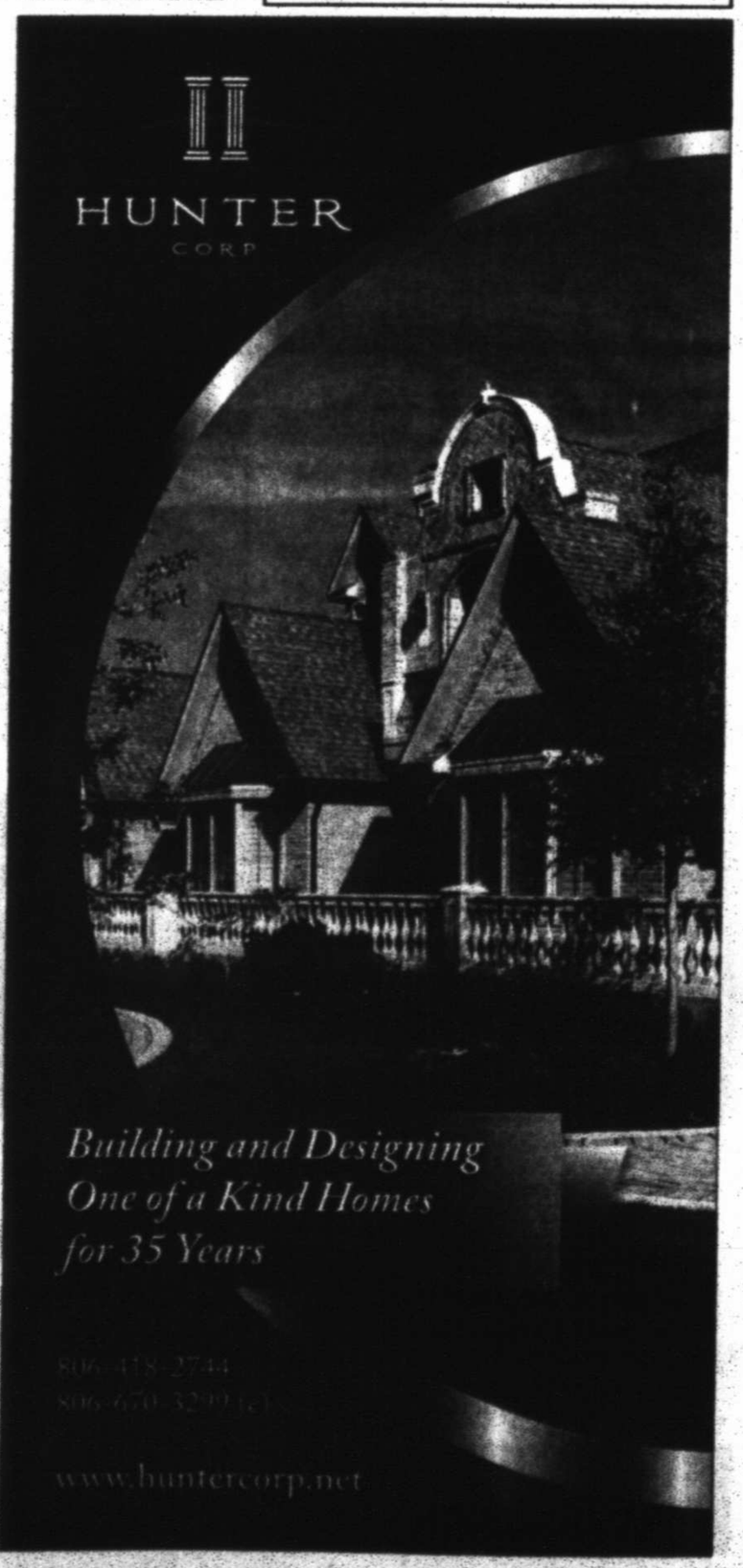

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Trump's testifying is in the public's best interest

■ Giuliani is more concerned with president's self-interest

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The president of the United States will not talk to special counsel Robert Mueller because his lawyers want to prevent him from walking — or, rather, talking — into a perjury trap.

Rudy Giuliani, the president's most visible lawyer, insists that no attorney worth his license would permit a client to testify under such circumstances. For many of Trump's detractors this is tantamount to a confession that the president would lie. Many even insist there is no such thing as a "perjury trap."

That's wrong. Former federal prosecutor Andrew McCarthy, my National Review colleague, notes that "for charging purposes, the witness who answers the questions does not get to decide whether they have been answered truthfully. That is up to the prosecutor who asks the questions."

In other words, if Donald Trump testifies that he didn't murder Col. Mustard in the library with the candlestick, and Michael Cohen says Trump did it, the prosecutor decides who is lying.

Presumably, Mueller would consider other evidence, too. Trump and Cohen are both legendary liars, after all. So, Mueller would surely look to corroborate either's testimony. If the candlestick bore Trump's fingerprints, Mueller might believe Cohen. If Col. Mustard spelled out "It was Cohen" in his own blood, Mueller would probably side with Trump.

But the point remains: When it comes to charging someone, the prosecutor gets to decide who's lying. For a conviction, however, it falls to a jury or judge to decide whether someone is truly guilty.

Now, there are many problems with my analogy. For starters, no one is accusing Trump of murder. Also, as a matter of Justice Department policy and common constitutional interpretation, a sitting president cannot be indicted.

This fact illuminates one of the many flaws with Giuliani's defense. He claims he's protecting Trump from being criminally charged with perjury, while also insisting the president cannot be criminally charged with perjury (or anything else).

If pressed, the former New York City mayor would probably say he's also protecting Trump from criminal prosecution after he leaves office, or from impeachment.

But don't let the phrase "high crimes and misdemeanors" fool you. Impeachment isn't a legal process at all; it's a political one. The impeachment power vested in Congress is for breaches of the public trust, and Congress has the sole power to decide what constitutes such a violation.

While it is possible that a Democrat-controlled House might vote to impeach Trump, it seems incredibly unlikely that a two-thirds majority of the Senate would vote to remove the president based on what we know now.

But my point here isn't really to demonstrate the weaknesses of Giuliani's legal and political arguments. Nor is it to point out that he zigzags between making legal arguments for political purposes and political arguments disguised as legal ones. Rather, it's to illuminate the fact that while Giuliani is right to keep Trump from testifying, he's not making an argument on behalf of the public interest. Like Tom Hagen in "The Godfather," Giuliani has a special practice with only one client.

Giuliani is doing whatever he can to protect that client. Where he draws moral or ethical lines to that end is between him and his conscience. But the rest of us are not obliged to argue like we're Trump's legal water-carriers. Refusing to testify might make total sense as a matter of Trump's personal self-interest — which is Giuliani's concern — but it is not obvious that such a refusal would be in the public interest. We deserve to know all of the relevant facts. If that makes the president's job harder, so be it. The Constitution makes every president's job harder in myriad ways, but we don't say that we should, therefore, get rid of the Constitution.

As Ramesh Ponnuru recently noted at Bloomberg.com, the president has special obligations, including a sworn duty to faithfully execute the laws and safeguard our national security. Denouncing or stymieing investigations into foreign meddling, encouraging convicted criminals not to snitch, opining on active trials and similar conduct are violations of his sworn duties.

Trump's supporters — the ones who aren't on his payroll — are free to make any argument they want in his defense, but they'd probably be more persuasive to the unconverted if they focused on the public interest and not the president's self-interest.

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OPINION EXTRA

Zinke's offshore drilling plan is on point

Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke wants to vastly expand offshore oil and gas production — and politicians from coastal states are livid.

The Senate Energy Committee recently hauled Zinke to Capitol Hill for intense questioning. Lawmakers from Washington, Oregon, and other coastal states demanded he delay his planned expansion. They're concerned that offshore drilling could harm the environment. Some state officials have even threatened to sue the administration to halt the plan.

Zinke shouldn't let this opposition shake his resolve. His offshore drilling plan will create hundreds of thousands of American jobs while safeguarding the environment.

Obama-era regulations banned energy production in 94 percent of the Outer Continental Shelf, which includes acreage off Alaska, the West Coast, the Gulf of Mexico and the Eastern seaboard. Obama administration officials had planned to keep those areas closed to energy exploration through 2022.

Zinke plans to reverse that ban and open more than 90 percent of total OCS acreage to oil and natural gas exploration through 2024. His plan would authorize new leases in 47 shelf areas, some of which have not been explored for a quarter century.

The plan would do wonders for the American economy. Opening the OCS to oil and natural gas development would add nearly $600 billion to the U.S. economy within 20 years. It would also create more than 700,000 jobs.

In the Atlantic region, the plan could boost domestic crude oil production by more than 250,000 barrels per day within three years of the moment when companies drill the first well. Constant production would create 260,000 jobs over 20 years.

Development in the Pacific would generate 300,000 jobs within 20 years. Nearly 58,000 of those jobs would be created in states that don't even border the ocean.

The positions will help tens of thousands of families achieve the American dream. The average annual compensation for workers in the oil and natural gas sector is more than $94,000, significantly more than the $45,000 median wage for American workers in 2017.

Energy production is expensive. Oil and natural gas firms would spend $22 billion per year to develop oil and natural gas resources in Atlantic states and $25 billion per year in Pacific states.

That spending would lead to higher employment in fields ranging from finance to food service. In the Atlantic region, drilling would create 135,000 non-oil and gas jobs within 20 years.

Americans need not worry about sacrificing the environment for these economic gains. Offshore drilling is safer now than it has ever been. Following the 2010 Deepwater Horizon oil spill off the Louisiana coast, technological advances and accident prevention and response strategies have improved safety practices across the board.

Since the spill, leading oil and natural gas companies have started the Center for Offshore Safety, which is responsible for setting new safety standards and compiling necessary performance metrics to identify areas for improvement.

As Scott Angelle, director of the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, has noted, an increase in domestic energy production and safety and environmental protection do not have to be mutually exclusive.

More offshore drilling would boost wages and create jobs with virtually no risk to the environment. There's no reason for politicians in coastal states to fear Zinke's plan.

— Drew Johnson, National Center for Public Policy Research

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Truth is Trump's most powerful tool

■ Despite advantages of admitting his errors, doing so is against the president's natural instincts

RICH LOWRY
King Features Syndicate

If it wasn't obvious before, it should be now: President Donald Trump is in an impeachment fight.

It hasn't fully ripened yet. That won't happen unless Democrats take the House and do so with a healthy margin in the fall. But Michael Cohen's statement that he committed campaign finance violations at the behest of Trump makes it that much more likely Democrats will impeach him once they have the power and the votes to do it.

This means Trump is in a political fight more than a legal one. His concern shouldn't be the Southern District of New York — current Justice Department guidance says a sitting president can't be indicted — but the House Judiciary Committee. His strategy shouldn't be aimed at convincing prosecutors that he stayed on the right side of the law, but the broader public that he deserves to stay in office.

The most powerful tool that he has in that effort is telling the truth, exactly the approach most uncongenial to him.

The American public has a nearly boundless ability to forgive. Wayward politicians have fallen back on it throughout our history, from Alexander Hamilton to John F. Kennedy to Bill Clinton.

It is in this spirit that Donald Trump should confess his affairs with Stormy Daniels and Karen McDougal, admit he wanted to keep them quiet for a variety of reasons (sheer embarrassment, the potential political fallout, and the emotional effect on his wife and youngest son), and apologize to the public for his deception. Then he should say that he's directing his lawyers to approach the Federal Election Commission to negotiate a large payment for any violation of its rules.

There are several advantages to this approach. First, Trump doesn't lose anything in terms of his reputation because literally no one believes his denials of the alleged affairs.

Second, it gets his story on a much more believable footing. The idea is otherworldly that Michael Cohen paid off women who were making up stories, and Trump knew nothing about it in real time — despite a tape suggesting otherwise — and then happily ponied up from his own funds as soon as he learned about it.

Third, it would be a shock to the system like few other things he could do in office. Such is his reflexive aggression that a little contrition would play as big as the firing of James Comey.

Fourth, there's a good chance that Democrats will seem petty and vindictive for impeaching him over the payments if he's really tried to put the underlying conduct behind him (this certainly didn't work out well for Republicans in the Clinton impeachment).

His lawyers might not like his coming clean, but Trump has to decide whether he's going to worry chiefly about fighting off an impeachment push and winning again in 2020 or forestalling the threat of getting indicted sometime in 2021 should he lose his re-election.

There's no guarantee, but if he is seen as dealing with the issue forthrightly now, it makes it harder for prosecutors to go after him in another three years because there's a norm against further pursuing defeated politicians (one that he would be wise to stop eroding, by the way).

Of course, all of this is fantasy, given Trump's natural instincts. A pugilist who never wants to admit error, he surely believes that he can bluff and improvise his way out of the mess and wait to abandon elements of his current version of events until strictly necessary. He thinks that he can continue to make his investigators the issue, and that so long as he has the vast majority of his party with him, he has a brake against a removal vote in the Senate.

He might be right. This is what he's done his entire adult life. But the stakes are larger than ever before, and even a moment's reflection on how he got in this fix would suggest perhaps giving forthrightness a try.

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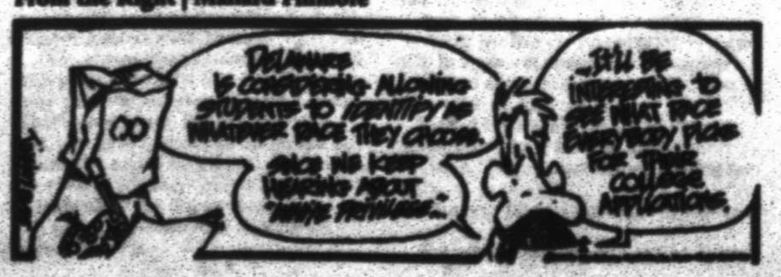
From the Right | Mallard Fillmore



Comments about nuclear waste were incorrect

This is in reference to Spencer Reed's comments about nuclear waste. You have been provided with lots of misinformation.

First of all, the amount of radioactive material contained in a shipping container, should it leak, would not meet the scope of the Chernobyl disaster.

The ROE of a leaking container is not 60 miles. I have handled plutonium wearing only Tyvex (paper) overalls, a pair of gloves, booties and a respirator while working within inches of the source. The only negative thing that happened to me was I am still old and grumpy.

The most vulnerable sites in America are our nuclear power plants, as they have to bury their spent nuclear fuel rods on site. We need to thank former President Obama for this good deed. He killed the funding of the Yucca Mountain nuclear waste site. Yucca Mountain is, to date, the most researched site in the world. There are no negative safety issues with this state-of-the-art site. The site is complete and ready to store ultra-high levels of nuclear waste. But thanks to the Democrats, we now have to store the waste on site at our nuclear power plants. To add salt to our wounds, we paid $25 billion to the nuclear industry to bury it on their sites. Your politicians, such as Sen. Harry Reid (D), headed the successful termination of the opening when he was speaker of the House. I have to add that he sure took in the billions of construction dollars for Nevada's economy. So now it is up to our Andrews cousin to help with this problem.

Whoever told you that our railroads were unable to safely transport nuclear waste is just "full of it." There isn't any information to validate your claim.

Please do not take my word; research this issue at Wikipedia. But please, do continue seeking information in order to protect your family and mine.

Best wishes, Mr. Reed.

Timothy Parker

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

County expenditure was act of irresponsibility

Midland County's decision to give $12 million away to other taxing entities was not an act of goodwill, it was an act of irresponsibility.

The county, thanks to the current high of oilfield activity, collected an insane amount of sales tax. Instead of giving the money to other taxing entities the count should have paid off debt and reduced tax rates.

Many of the voters are very conservative here, but the politicians are not. Mike Bradford's lame duck generosity was actually a back handed way to increase tax revenues for other agencies. Most of these entities — MISD, Midland College, Midland Hospital, city of Midland, Greenwood ISD, etc. — all select their tax rates based on projected revenues, appraisals and voter appetite. They knew that taking more money from voters' pockets would fail in the ballot box or threaten their re-election success.

Now the county, flush with money that was more a figment of geologic good luck than administrative successes, is undermining the political process and taking from Peter to pay Paul, and padding the budgets of other entities who know they are at the end of their leash with taxpayers.

Clifford Sanden

GUEST VIEW

Quality education is more than earning good grades

San Antonio Express-News

The recent release of the new campus and school district report cards by the Texas Education Agency has some administrators across the state calling foul over what they consider the simplification of public education into single letter grades.

You know, the kind of grades that seem to be OK to measure student success.

We get the discomfort that comes with any type of high-stakes accountability when the reputations of campuses and school districts are on the line. And some administrators claim the new system simply does not shed enough light on the good things happening in Texas classrooms and allows some problems to remain below the radar.

Their points are well-taken. But ...

We can use our energies to disparage the system, or we can view it as just one of many tools to ensure students graduate ready to earn a certificate or college diploma.

Nothing less than teaching students to become productive members of the workforce and active taxpayers is at stake. We should want as many tools as possible. For better or worse, this is Texas' accountability plan. And it has some value.

There are three components to the new grading plan for school districts.

Forty percent of the grade comes from STAAR test results, 40 percent is based on college, career and military readiness, and 20 percent is from graduation rates.

The A through F system compares districts and schools with similar student poverty rates to avoid penalizing high-poverty campuses. And in the future, schools could be evaluated on a locally developed rating system.

Overall, Texas schools fared relatively well. Statewide, 12 districts received an A, 334 got a B, 232 received a C, 46 got a D and nine earned an F.

In Bexar County, the three military school districts received an A. The Alamo Heights, North East, Northside and Schertz-Cibolo-Universal City independent school districts earned B's. Edgewood and South San got D's and the rest received C's.

While we recognize how hard some schools and districts worked to get to C, it is hardly something to write home about. Average is, well, average. Is that enough to get students and the state to where they need to be — to excellence?

There is still much room for improvement across the board.

The letter grades offer one way for families to gauge how well their children are being taught, but we acknowledge it isn't the only one. There is the question of workforce and college readiness. The letter grade purports to measure that, but the real measure will be how many students move on to complete a certificate program or enroll in college without having to take remedial classes and then graduate.

And that will take some time to find out. The proof will be in U.S. Census numbers showing how many Texans have earned a college degree.

Today's public school children are tomorrow's workforce. The economic prosperity of the state will be determined by the quality of the education they receive.

No accountability system is perfect, and neither is this one. That, however, does not make it meaningless. It is one way to gauge how hard a school or district is equipping students for the real world. It's just not the only measure.

Legislature does away with Confederate fund

KEN HERMAN
Austin American-Statesman

It's understandable if some of you feel that some of our elected state leaders, wise though they are, sometimes seem hesitant to do anything to put a damper on the notion that the South might rise again.

It's a disturbing concept supported by episodes like the current squabble over whether to remove the Texas Capitol's "Children of the Confederacy Creed" plaque that says slavery was not an underlying cause of the Civil War.

But I'm here today to with some good and uplifting news about something our elected leaders did regarding the Confederacy: In a decisive action, the Legislature has erased the Confederate Pension Fund from state law.

OK, so it took a little while to get it done. The Civil War ended in 1865. The Legislature's action concerning pensions payable to Confederate vets and their surviving spouses came in 2017. Do the math.

It's right there in Senate Bill 1735 from the most recent legislative session.

To be precise, and to quote the Texas Legislative Council analysis of the bill, SB 1735 erased "part of the enabling legislation for state pensions for Confederate veterans and their surviving spouses." The measure — illed as a cleanup bill — also abolished the pension fund for Texas Rangers (and their surviving spouses) who served prior to Sept. 1, 1947, and veterans (and surviving spouses) of the Texas Revolution, which ended in 1836.

In doing away with those pensions, the Legislature did so with a nod of thanks for those who had been eligible for them. Here's state Sen. Bryan Hughes, R-Mineola, explaining his bill to the Senate State Affairs Committee on April 3, 2017: "There's a number of pension-related statutes that just don't apply anymore having to do with veterans from the War Between the States, the Texas Revolution and Texas Rangers serving before 1947 and that sort of thing. We're thankful for these folks' service (but) none of them are around to need the benefits anymore and so this would clean up and make our statutes more accurate."

On the House side, the Pensions Committee heard from Rep. Drew Springer, R-Muenster, the House sponsor of the measure. He fielded one question from the committee: How many Confederate widows are still drawing pension checks in Texas?

"None," Springer replied, with the confidence of a man armed with reliable research. "Absolutely zero."

And Springer said he'd told himself, "You better make sure there's not one single person who's remotely close to being associated with this. Everybody can find out where I live in my district, and they'd come find me."

Committee Chair Dan Flynn, R-Canton, then asked the required: "Is there anyone who would like to testify on, for or against" the measure.

And just then, in one of the legislative session's most dramatic moments, the door at the back of the hearing room opened and in wheeled a very, very old woman with a Confederate flag draped across her lap. She proceeded to protest, in no uncertain terms, against the state of Texas yanking the pension her Yankee-hating husband had earned those many years ago.

Nah. Didn't happen, though it would have been awesome if it had.

The hearing ended, and the bill sailed through the House and Senate on the uncontested calendars that draw little attention from most legislators. It became law without Gov. Greg Abbott's signature. Read into that what you will.

Springer was right. There are no Confederate widows still drawing pension benefits in Texas. But the concept is not quite as outlandish as it sounds, thanks to the fact that some young Southern women (some in their teens) married elderly Confederate vets (some in the their 80s) long after the Civil War. I'm guessing some of those marriages were more for money than love.

Alberta Martin of Alabama died in 2004 at age 97. In 1927, a year after her first husband died, she married Confederate veteran William Martin. He was 81. She was 21 and had a son who could benefit from her husband's the $50-a-month Confederate pension. And she had a second son 10 months after marrying Martin.

I love this quote from a 1998 interview in which Martin was asked if she had loved her elderly husband: "That's a hard question to answer. I cared enough about him to live with him. You know the difference between a young man and an old man."

Alas, William Martin died in 1931. Two months later, Alberta Martin married Charlie Martin, her deceased husband's grandson. Close family, I guess. He died in 1983.

Maudie Hopkins of Arkansas died in 2008 at age 93. In 1934, then 19, she married Confederate vet William Cantrell, who was 86. Several obits credited her with being the last surviving Confederate widow.

The Texas Comptroller's Office was unable to tell me when our state made its last pension payment from the Confederate Pension Fund, which had been amended to include the Ranger pension fund. The fund — officially Confederate Pension Fund 0005 — was "inactivated" in 2003, but it remained on the books until last year's legislative action.

For the record, the last payment from the Ranger pension fund came on Feb. 25, 2010. It was for $200 to the estate of Mrs. Willie M. Koonsman of Columbus. She had been the last living recipient of a pension payment from that fund.

Last thing: If there any Confederate widows out there, please give me a call.

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State confuses residents about cost of their property taxes

THE WATCHDOG
By Dave Lieber Dallas Mrrning News

I'm researching how much you are going to pay in property taxes next year, and I give up. The system is so needlessly confusing.

Cities and counties are required to publish ads in a newspaper this month showing their old tax rate, their proposed rate for the new year and a couple of other important numbers.

I've collected about 100 of these ads, ripping them out of The Dallas Morning News, Fort Worth Star-Telegram and Denton Record-Chronicle with a straight edge ruler every day for weeks.

The plan was to find patterns in the tax notices, then share with you. Are cities and counties raising taxes or lowering them?

It's a simple question, but I don't think I can answer. Why? My head is exploding. These notices are a hot mess.

The most miserable job of the year shows once again why our property tax system is one of the worst in the nation. These notices actually raise more questions than they answer.

Every year, your city, school and county tax rate can change, along with your assessed taxable value. The entire system — from appraisal to tax-rate setting — is purposely confusing. Only a math genius could stay on top of this.

Sales tax is usually 0.0825 percent. Property tax is ... whatever.

Tax cuts or increases?

Remember the formula. You get a property value estimate (they call it an appraisal; I call it a guess) and multiply that by the separate tax rates set by city, county, school district, hospital, community college and other taxing entities. The answer is what you pay in property tax.

I sorted the tax ads into categories — school districts, county, city and other. I began marking them. Who is raising taxes? Who is lowering? Who is freezing them?

More important, which cities are raising taxes more than 8 percent to trigger a "rollback" election that allows voters to vote the proposed tax increase up or down?

But these ads don't announce rollback potential elections. You must study them carefully and do the math yourself. Ridiculous.

I study the ads and become more confused. The city of Bedford — to pick a city at random — is pushing a huge property tax increase. But it's not obvious.

Last year's tax rate was 52 cents per every $100 of property value. (I round the numbers up or down). The proposed tax rate in the ad is 58 cents. But it's not really a 6-cent increase.

Another line in the ad shares the "effective tax rate." That's the rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Bedford as last year. No new taxes in the coming year. A government that votes to approve the effective rate is lowering its tax rate to offset higher property appraisals. A good thing.

In Bedford, the effective rate is 48 cents.

That means Bedford properties were appraised so much higher that if Bedford were to lower its tax rate to 48 cents it would still have as much money this year as it did last year.

But by raising it to 58 cents, Bedford is about to pass a big tax increase. It looks like it's a 6-cent increase but it's actually more like a 10-cent increase.

Where will all this new money go? These ads are not required to provide that information.

Almost every ad I look at confuses me. The city of Denton's ad announces a 64-cent proposed tax rate, rounded up. But a Denton Record-Chronicle report shows the proposed rate is 62 cents. The numbers can change right up until a government's board takes a final vote. What good are the ads?

School district tax notices are even worse. The jumble of numbers looks like Albert Einstein's blackboard.

In Everman, the old rate was 16 cents. The proposed rate is 11 cents. Everman may get a big tax decrease of 4.5 cents. That's great news. But to figure that out, you have to examine the ad and do math. The actual equation looks like this: $1.158630 minus $1.113943 = 0.044687.

It shouldn't be this confusing.

The Texas Association of Realtors agrees.

TAR's legislative affairs director, Daniel Gonzalez, tells The Watchdog: "Until taxpayers are given simple, understandable information about their property tax bills, we will never have an honest conversation about the taxes that are collected at the local level."

State law requires these ads. But elected officials take advantage of the confusion. Some councils and commissions accurately claim that "for the X year in a row, we have lowered your tax rate."

They don't say "lower your taxes." They say "lower your tax rate."

Under our awful property tax system, they can lower the rate, but if the appraisals jump (as they have) then the actual property tax bill jumps ever higher.

Got that? Lower the tax rate — but with higher appraisals the tax bill still goes up.

That's the biggest scam perpetrated by Texas governments — pretending to lower your taxes when they don't.

The ads should announce rollback elections.

Governments should be required to explain briefly why they seek a big increase. What's it for?

The law should be rewritten to make these tax notices understandable.

Remember that every government can lower your tax bill by cutting expenses and keeping costs down. They usually don't, but if you're looking for the evidence in these required ads, good luck finding it.

In the know

Want to check proposals for various tax rates? Visit a government's website where the information is supposed to be posted. Check for coming public hearings where you can speak for or against.

Here are the deadlines:

Aug. 7: Date most taxing units must publicize certain information, including the effective tax and rollback rates.

Sept. 1: Deadline for a county or city to either publish the property tax rate notice in a general circulation newspaper or mail it to each property owner and post the notice on its website.

Sept. 29: Last day for taxing units to adopt tax rate for the new fiscal year.

Oct. 1: Tax assessor begins mailing tax bills.

Source: Texas Association of Realtors

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Chile Verde, Asado,
Caldo de Res & Menudo

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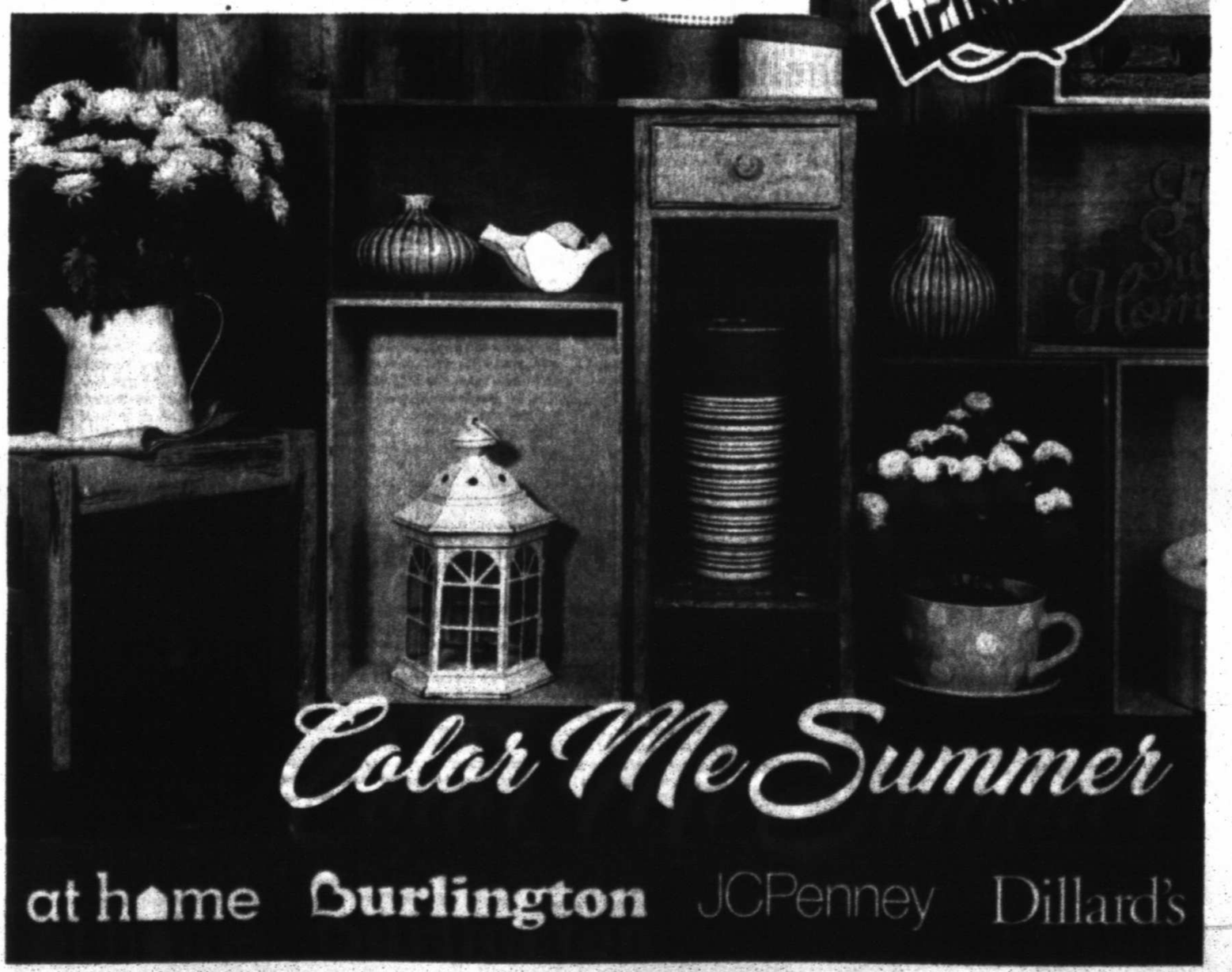

Color Me Summer

at home Burlington JCPenney Dillard's

Dodson, a beacon of the community, impacted many

BELOVED ATHLETIC TRAINER PASSED AWAY ON FRIDAY

By Christopher Hadorn and Oscar LeRoy

James E. "Doc" Dodson was called a "beacon of the community" and one of the most influential citizens in the Tall City's history by the people that knew him best Saturday.

Dodson, who had a distinguished career as an athletic trainer during a 32-year stint with Midland High and another 30 years for Dr. Don Floyd, passed away Friday at age 82.

Dodson was a giant in the field of athletic training, which earned him a 2012 induction to the Midland ISD Athletics Hall of Legends. He was also awarded a certificate of merit in 1965 by President Lyndon B. Johnson for saving a girl's life.

While Dodson earned acclaim in the athletic training field, his impact transcended his profession.

"You knew him when you were 6 years old and that relationship developed as you grew older and went through high school," Midland ISD Executive Director of Athletics and former Midland High football player Blake Feldt said. "Obviously he was very demanding and did a great job of taking care of you as a trainer. But like I said, it was a very unique situation for everybody because he was such a special person and such a huge influence on everybody's life. When you say he was a trainer at Midland High for 30 some odd years, that doesn't do it justice because he was so much more than that."

As a second grader, Feldt and his brother used to attend Dodson's strength and conditioning camps in the summer that he put on for the Tall City's youth. Feldt said he kept in touch with Doc well past grade school.

MHS alum and 1968 Olympic 100-meter butterfly gold medalist Doug Russell told the Reporter-Telegram in June 2017 that Dodson was the father figure he lacked growing up.

"I am kind of a high-strung kind of a person," Russell said. "When I played great, (Dodson) had a way of telling me, 'You're not that great.' When I played bad, he had a way of telling me, 'You know you're not that bad', so I learned a lot about patience. His recipe was always go out there and work, keep your head down and keep grinding."

Dodson had a long list of achievements in the athletic training profession, which included being named outstanding high school trainer twice in 1977 and 1980, the 1991 American Academy of Orthopedics and Sports Medicine's Outstanding Athletic Trainer in the U.S. and an inductee of both the National Athletic Trainers Association Hall of Fame and the Southwest Athletic Trainers Association Hall of Fame. He was the first high school athletic trainer to be selected to serve for the U.S. team in the Olympics, attending the 1972 summer games in Munich.

"He was a mentor to many of us in the athletic training profession," long-time MHS athletic trainer Hondo Schneider said. "There's more athletic trainers that will show up to his service this week

Please see DODSON/4C

Tim Fischer\Reporter-Telegram

Doc Dodson, sitting for the 52 Faces of our Community event on June 24, 2016.

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland High's Kandus Box finishes fifth with a time of 22:05.46 in the Girls Division 1 event of the Tall City Invitational on Saturday at the Rock The Desert grounds.

Andrews teams shine at Tall City Invitational

By Christopher Hadorn
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Andrews has a strong claim on being the top cross-country program in the Permian Basin.

And the Mustangs certainly did their part to validate that status Saturday at the Tall City Invitational at Rock the Desert Festival Park. The Andrews boys and girls swept the Division I team titles at the meet hosted by Midland Classical Academy.

Andrews junior Jasson Marquez won the Division I boys race with a time of 16 minutes, 56.73 seconds, while Andrews senior Elizabeth Garcia claimed first in the girls race with a time of 21:27.75. The Andrews boys have reached the UIL state meet seven consecutive seasons in Round Rock and the Lady Mustangs girls have accomplished the feat three straight times.

Andrews and Kaufman are the only Class 4A programs to send both boys and girls to state from 2015-17.

"This year we added a lot more runners," Marquez said. "It's definitely becoming a tradition to make it back to the state meet. We're trying to make it a tradition to get on the podium. We're going to keep working at it."

In 2016, Marquez won a silver medal when the Andrews boys placed second as a team at state. Two years later, Marquez has emerged as a team leader being a two-time state meet veteran.

"Being that there's only one senior, I feel like it's up to me to lead the team since I've been both my freshman and sophomore year to state," Marquez said. "My freshman year we were lucky enough to get on the podium. I feel like it's up to me to help lead this team."

The girls fared the best out of the Midland ISD contingent Saturday. Lee junior Nayeli Galindo placed third with a time of 21:49.00, the best showing by a Tall City runner.

Galindo improved five spots from her eighth-place showing at the 2017 Tall City Invite.

"Just going through, it was pretty easy," said Galindo, a 2017 Region I-6A qualifier. "I remember the trail really well. I got it down."

The Midland High girls gave Andrews a strong push for first, falling short by

Please see ANDREWS/4C

Watt, Suh back on field in Rams' 21-20 win over Texans

By Greg Beacham
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Rookie John Kelly rushed for 64 yards and two touchdowns, and the Los Angeles Rams briefly debuted their new defensive stars in a 21-20 preseason victory over J.J. Watt and the Houston Texans on Saturday.

Although the Rams rested 10 presumptive offensive starters for the third straight preseason game, the Los Angeles defense's three big offseason acquisitions played at the Coliseum. Ndamukong Suh and cornerbacks Marcus Peters and Aqib Talib got some action early in the first quarter before sitting.

Watt also started and made a tackle in his first on-field action since breaking his leg in the Texans' fifth game last season. The three-time NFL Defensive Player of the Year didn't get to see the current holder of the award, Aaron Donald, who is deep in his second consecutive contract holdout from the Rams.

Alfred Blue rushed for an early score for Houston, and Braxton Miller caught a TD pass from Brandon Weeden, who went 10 of 17 for 108 yards with an interception after Deshaun Watson's brief action. Quan Bray caught a 3-yard touchdown pass from Joe Webb with 5:54 to play for the Texans, but Ejuan Price sacked Webb on the ensuing 2-point conversion attempt.

Nick Rose then missed a 57-yard field goal at the gun. It was the second missed field goal for Rose as the Texans wait for Ka'imi Fairbairn to get healthy.

Kelly, the Rams' sixth-round pick from Tennessee, continued his breakout preseason in Gurley's absence with another impressive game. He finished Los Angeles' 19-play drive that consumed 12:06 of the third quarter with a spinning 15-yard TD run.

Pharoh Cooper caught a TD pass from Sean Mannion, who bounced back from an 0-for-5 start with a bad interception to Kareem Jackson. Mannion finished the first half with 10 consecutive completions, but he has been inconsistent in the

Please see TEXANS/5C

Young Lady Chaps show promise at host tourney

By Oscar LeRoy
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The young Midland College volleyball team showed just what kind of potential it has during the final day of the Midland College Kick-Off Classic on Saturday.

With 12 freshmen on the roster, the Lady Chaps pulled off their first big upset of the season when it swept No. 20-ranked Blinn College, 25-23, 25-15, 25-18.

However, later in the day the Lady Chaps also showed some of their youth when it was pushed by WJCAC foe Western Texas College in a non-conference match before MC prevailed, 25-18, 25-18, 14-25, 16-25, 15-12.

"I'm pleasantly pleased," said MC coach Tammie Jimenez, whose team went 3-1 on the weekend. "I knew we were going to have some roller coaster moments and I knew there were going to be some nerves for these freshmen, playing at home for the first time, collegiate volleyball, and I think that showed in the first match against Trinity Valley (a 3-0 loss on Friday). Once we figured out, hey we're on this floor every day and this is the stuff we do on a regular basis, there's no reason to be uncomfortable, there're no reason to be this nervous. Let's just play volleyball."

Obviously the signature moment of the weekend came in the straight set victory over Blinn. That victory probably opened a lot of people's eyes, especially the players, about the team's potential.

"We had a heck of a match against Blinn," Jimenez said. "We had a strong defensive effort, we were great offensively, and we had some hunger about us to be competitors. That's all we talked about in the locker room. Let's serve well, let's out-hustle, out-work, out-muscle a team. We're not the biggest and so we're going to have to make some hustle plays to win, and I thought they did a great job of doing that."

Freshman outside hitter Hayden Smyers, who had 13 kills and 20 digs on the day, said the Blinn match showed just how good her team can be after going through a few growing pains in practices.

"That was the first time we actu-

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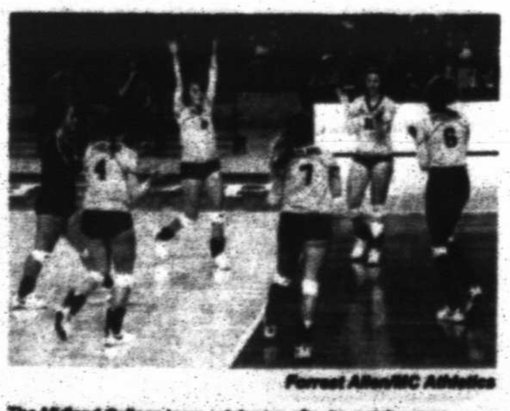

Forrest Allen/MC Athletics

The Midland College team celebrates after its match sweep against No. 20 ranked Blinn College on Saturday at Chaparral Center.

'HOUNDSWATCH

SATURDAY'S SCORE
Midland 2
Frisco 1
10 innings

TODAY'S GAME
Midland at Frisco
7:05 p.m.

INTERNET
www.milb.com

RECORDS
Midland 27-34
Frisco 32-29

Saturday	Today	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Midland 2 Frisco 1 10 innings	Midland at Frisco 7:05 p.m.	Midland at Frisco 7:05 p.m.	Midland vs. San Antonio 6:30 p.m.	Midland vs. San Antonio 6:30 p.m.

DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

TV

Cycling

Vuelta a Espana, Stage 2: Marbella to Caminito del Rey, 9 a.m., OLYHD

Golf

EPGA: D+D Real Czech Masters, Final Round, 6 a.m., GOLF

PGA: The Northern Trust, Final Round, 11 a.m., GOLF

PGA: The Northern Trust, Final Round, 1 p.m., **CBS**

LPGA: CP Women's Open, Final Round, 3 p.m., GOLF

Champions: Boeing Classic, Final Round, 5 p.m., GOLF

Web.com: Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship, Final Round, 7 p.m., GOLf

High School Football

Phillips (IL) vs. Pickerington Central (OH), 11:30 a.m., ESPN

Horse Racing

Saratoga Live: Smart N Fancy, 2 p.m., FS2

Little League World Series

3rd Place Game, 9 a.m., ESPN

Championship, 2 p.m., **ABC**, ESPNDEP

Major League Baseball

Boston at Tampa Bay, Noon, TBS

Texas at San Francisco, 3 p.m., **FSSW**

Houston at LA Angels, 3 p.m., **ATTSW**

NY Yankees at Baltimore, 7 p.m., ESPN, ESPNDEP

Men's Soccer

PL: Watford vs. Crystal Palace, 7:30 a.m., NBCSN

Bundesliga: 1. FSV Mainz 05 vs. VfB Stuttgart, 8:30 a.m., FS1, FXDEP

PL: Newcastle vs. Chelsea, 10 a.m., NBCSN, **TELE**

Bundesliga: Borussia Dortmund vs. RB Leipzig, 11 a.m., **FOX**, UDN

Liga MX: Queretaro FC vs. Lobos BUAP, 11:30 a.m., **UNIV**

MLS: New York Red Bulls vs. D.C. United, 6 p.m., FS1, FXDEP

MLS: Portland Timbers vs. Seattle Sounders FC, 8:30 p.m., FS1, FXDEP

Motorsports

MX2: Sevlievo, Race 1, 8 a.m., CBSSN

F1: Johnnie Walker Belgian Grand Prix, 8:05 a.m., ESPN2, UDN

Camping World Truck Series: Chevrolet Silverado 250, 1:30 p.m., FS1

National Football League

Cincinnati at Buffalo, 3 p.m., **FOX**

Arizona at Dallas, 7 p.m, **NBC**

Triathlon

ITU World Series: Men's Elite, 12:30 p.m,. OLYHD

Women's National Basketball Association

Semifinals, Game 1: TBD (Los Angeles is they defeat Washington Thurs. Otherwise Phoenix/Connecticut winner) at Atlanta, 2 p.m., ESPN2

Semifinals, Game 1: TBD (Washington if they beat LA Thurs. Otherwise Phoenix/Connecticut winner) at Seattle, 4 p.m., ESPN2

Women's Soccer

NCAA: Oklahoma State vs. Florida, 12:30 p.m., **FSSW+**, FCSA

RADIO

Major League Baseball

Texas at San Francisco, 3 p.m., KPET 105.1 FM/690 AM (Lamesa), KBST 1490 AM (Big Spring)

Houston at LA Angels, 3 p.m., KBYG 106.1 FM/1400 AM (Big Spring)

National Football League

Arizona at Dallas, 7 p.m., **KQRX 95.1 FM**, KBST 95.7 FM (Big Spring), **KTXC 104.7 FM (Esp)**

Texas League Baseball

Midland at Frisco, 7 p.m., KCRS 95.5 FM/97.5 FM/550 AM

MC GOLF BRIEF

MC GOLF TEAM RANKED PRESEASON NO. 1

The Midland College men's golf team will open the fall season ranked No. 1 in the Bushnell Golfweek NJCAA Division I Preseason Coaches poll.

The Chaparrals received three first-place votes, while defending national champion Indian Hills Community College got two first place votes and is No. 2 in the poll.

Odessa College was third, followed by Iowa Western, Central Alabama, McLennan Community College, Eastern Florida State, Hutchinson Community College, and Western Texas College. New Mexico Junior College and Wallace State tied at No. 10.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

NEW YORK YANKEES — Recalled RHP Luis Cessa from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL) as their 26th man.

American Association

CHICAGO DOGS — Signed RHP Ben Allison.

CLEBURNE RAILROADERS — Traded OF Trevor Seeley to the St. Paul for cash and a player to be named. Traded OF K.C. Hyth to the Gary for future considerations. Signed INF Dustin Williams.

FARGO-MOORHEAD REDHAWKS — Signed C Chris Costa and INF Jake Voth.

GARY SOUTHSHORE RAILCATS — Released OF Sonny Cortez. Signed C Jeffrey Sneed and 1B Kevin Riley.

KANSAS CITY T-BONES — Signed OF Danny Hayes.

ST. PAUL SAINTS — Signed OF Alex Boswell.

WICHITA WINGNUTS — Signed RHP Steve Pastore.

Can-Am League

NEW JERSEY JACKALS — Signed RHP Cody Strayer.

QUEBEC CAPITALES — Signed RHPs Bobby Stevens and Ark Situla and OF David Salguero.

ROCKLAND BOULDERS — Signed RHPs Max Biedrzycki and Lee Sosa.

TROIS-RIVIERES AIGLES — Signed RHP Matt Ruesch.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

CLEVELAND BROWNS — Activated WR Josh Gordon from the active/NFI list.

DETROIT LIONS — Waived-injured S Stefen McClure.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

LOS ANGELES KINGS — Signed F Dustin Brown to a three-year entry-level contract.

ECHL

MANCHESTER MONARCHS — Signed D Chris Carlisle.

NFL PRESEASON GLANCE

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	2	1	0	.667	77	62
Buffalo	1	1	0	.500	42	45
N.Y. Jets	1	2	0	.333	48	37
Miami	0	3	0	.000	54	89
South	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Houston	2	1	0	.667	58	44
Jacksonville	2	1	0	.667	51	40
Indianapolis	2	1	0	.667	61	54
Tennessee	0	3	0	.000	57	77
North	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Baltimore	4	0	0	1.000	97	52
Cincinnati	2	0	0	1.000	51	40
Pittsburgh	2	1	0	.667	61	71
Cleveland	2	1	0	.667	42	39
West	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Oakland	2	1	0	.667	44	39
Denver	1	2	0	.333	68	69
L.A. Chargers	1	2	0	.333	69	74
Kansas City	1	2	0	.333	68	58

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	2	1	0	.667	62	59
Washington	1	2	0	.333	49	66
Dallas	0	2	0	.000	34	45
Philadelphia	0	3	0	.000	34	73
South	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Carolina	3	0	0	1.000	69	57
New Orleans	2	1	0	.667	75	47
Tampa Bay	2	1	0	.667	65	71
Atlanta	0	3	0	.000	39	62
North	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Minnesota	2	1	0	.667	73	62
Green Bay	2	1	0	.667	68	64
Chicago	2	2	0	.500	94	90
Detroit	1	2	0	.333	80	76
West	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Arizona	2	0	0	1.000	44	32
L.A. Rams	2	1	0	.667	47	48
San Francisco	1	2	0	.333	34	65
Seattle	0	3	0	.000	51	64

Scores & Schedule

Saturday's scores

Chicago 27, Kansas City 20
Pittsburgh 16, Tennessee 6
L.A. Rams 21, Houston 20
Indianapolis 23, San Francisco 17
Jacksonville 17, Atlanta 6
Baltimore 27, Miami 10
New Orleans 35, L.A. Chargers 7

Today's games

Cincinnati at Buffalo, 3 p.m.
Arizona at Dallas, 7 p.m.

MLS GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Atlanta United FC	16	4	6	54	55	30
New York	15	6	4	49	48	28
New York City FC	14	6	6	48	49	34
Columbus	11	8	7	40	39	33
Philadelphia	11	11	3	36	35	39
Montreal	10	14	3	33	34	45
New England	7	10	6	27	28	41
D.C. United	7	9	6	27	29	30
Toronto FC	7	12	4	25	40	44
Chicago	6	15	4	22	27	42
Orlando City	7	18	2	23	35	56

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
FC Dallas	13	5	7	46	40	31
Sporting Kansas City	13	6	6	45	47	33
Los Angeles FC	12	7	7	43	35	40
Real Salt Lake	11	10	5	38	35	44
LA Galaxy	10	9	6	36	40	40
Portland	10	8	7	37	35	34
Seattle	10	9	5	35	31	28
Vancouver	9	9	7	34	40	40
Minnesota United	9	10	2	29	30	32
Houston	7	11	7	28	41	37
Colorado	6	13	6	24	31	42
San Jose	3	13	6	17	24	44

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie.

Scores & Schedule

Saturday's scores

Philadelphia 1, New England 0
Toronto FC 3, Montreal 1
Sporting Kansas City 2, Minnesota United 0
Real Salt Lake at Colorado, late
Vancouver at San Jose, late

Today's games

D.C. United at New York, 6 p.m.
Seattle at Portland, 9:30 p.m.

Start of high school football conjures memories from past

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High school football season is finally here.

For coaches, players and yes, even sports writers, that hard work started weeks ago in preparation for this season, which we hope will be a good one for all.

For those of you who picked up today's edition of the MRT with our annual football preview section, thank you for keeping the print edition alive.

It's hard to believe that I am entering my 22nd high school football season here at the MRT. Some of you are probably wondering, "He's been here that long?" Yes, I have.

Through my time here, I have covered the smaller schools in the MRT coverage area. Nothing against the big schools but I always appreciated the passion and hospitality of the smaller schools. Plus I've always enjoyed covering the kids that don't get as much publicity as those at the big four (Midland High, Lee, Permian, Odessa High) do.

With that in mind, I'll look back at some of the best players and teams I've covered in my time here.

When people ask me, who's the best athlete I've ever seen in person, most people are surprised when I tell them it's Kyle Herm of Stanton.

Standing at 5-feet, 9 inches, Herm was fabulous athlete for the Buffaloes, as not only was he great on the football field but he was a great point guard. In football, Herm could also do it all. He was a great quarterback, great punt returner and great defensive back who led Stanton to the 1996 Class 2A state championship. Herm went on to have a pretty good career at Rice.

Sticking with Herm, the 1997 Stanton team was one of the first teams I covered here. Herm was coming back for another year and he was surrounded by a great cast. If it wasn't for a crazy snow storm and a strong Celina team, this team might have had a chance to go back to back.

Jamie Beeghley was one of the best quarterbacks to ever play for Midland Christian as he led the Mustangs to back-to-back TAPPS state titles in 2000 and 2001. That 2001 team was loaded as it could have beaten many schools, big and small.

I can't ever forget the 2002 Greenwood team that made it to the Class 3A Division II state championship, led by head coach Bob Purser, quarterback Dawson Wilber and linebacker Cody Hollums. All those Rangers were a fun group to be around, they worked hard and stayed humble.

There were also the Tannehill brothers (Ryan, Tyler and Tobyn) playing for Big Spring and the great quarterbacks to come through Andrews, such as Triston Williams and Jase Hammack.

These are just a few of the players, teams and highlights of my time here over the years of covering smaller school football. As you can imagine, 21 years worth of memories could fill a book.

Hopefully this season will provide many good memories for players and coaches alike.

It's good to be playing high school football in Texas. There's nothing like it.

■ My condolences go out to the family and friends of James "Doc" Dodson, who passed away on Friday.

A longtime athletic trainer and orthopedic doctor in Midland, Dodson was beloved and trusted by many, not just here in the Tall City but around the Permian Basin.

I met him years ago when he used to help out with the Midland College athletic teams and he was always cordial and a true gentleman. He was a good soul.

The way he treated people is the way we all like to be treated.

There's no question he left an indelible mark in this community and we were all better for knowing Doc.

Follow Oscar on Twitter: @OLeRoy_MRT

HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL ROUNDUP

MHS PLACES 3RD AT EL PASO TOURNEY

EL PASO – The Midland High volleyball team placed third at the Margaret Hussman Tournament after splitting its two matches on Saturday.

El Paso Chapin defeated MHS, 26-25, 25-18, 25-22, before MHS defeated Las Cruces High in five sets, 25-23, 23-25, 25-19, 23-25, 15-9.

Hayley Branco led MHS (17-9) with 31 kills and 31 digs, Demmi Anders had 37 digs, Macy Kidwell had 43 assists and Kaitlyn Kennedy added seven aces.

EL PASO CHAPIN DEF. MIDLAND HIGH 26-25, 25-18, 25-22
MIDLAND HIGH DEF. LAS CRUCES HIGH 25-23, 23-25, 25-19, 23-25, 15-9
MHS cumulative statistics

Kills – Hayley Branco 31, Maddy Kennedy 11, Kaitlyn Kennedy 10, Macy Kidwell 7, Sydney Crawford 7, Emma Gomez 7, Olivia Hale 3, Demmi Anders 2, Olivia Harper 1

Assists – Kidwell 43, Harper 27, Anders 2, M. Kennedy 2

Digs – Anders 37, Branco 31, Erica Rivera 20, Kidwell 11, Crawford 10, Harper 7, M. Kennedy 5, Hale 3, K. Kennedy 1

Blocks – K. Kennedy 7, M. Kennedy 5, Branco 3, Kidwell 2, Crawford 1

Aces – Harper 3, Kidwell 2, Rivera 2, M. Kennedy 1

Record: MHS 17-9

Next: Midland High at Abilene Wylie, 6 p.m. Friday

LEE DROPS TWO IN TOURNEY

PLANO – The Lee volleyball team lost both matches during championship bracket play of the Lone Star Cityscape Champions Tournament on Saturday.

El Paso Coronado defeated Lee, 25-12, 25-22 before Austin Westlake defeated Lee 25-23, 25-19.

On the day, Kelsey Harrington had 13 kills, Morgan Ironside had 15 assists and Emily Hillman had five aces to lead the Lady Rebels (9-8).

Saturday's scores

EL PASO CORONADO DEF. LEE 25-12, 25-22

AUSTIN WESTLAKE DEF LEE 25-23, 25-19
Lee cumulative stats

Kills – Kelsey Harrington 13, Emily Hillman 7, Yeli Flores 6, McKenzie Gibson 3, Alle Gomez 2, Brooke Payne 1, Chassidee Trimble 1, Morgan Ironside 1

Assists – Ironside 15, Gomez 12, Woods 1, Avea Ryan 1

Digs – Gomez 3, Ironside 4, Woods 1, Ryan 1, Hillman 4, Flores 2, Gibson 1, Harrington 1, Brooke Payne 1

Blocks – Hillman 2, Harrington 1, Trimble 1

Aces – Hillman 5, Harrington 4, Ironside 1, Audra Borrego 1, Flores 1, Gomez 1

Friday's late scores
LEE DEF. ADDISON TRINITY CHRISTIAN 25-16, 25-21
LEE DEF. PLANO PRESTONWOOD 25-13, 25-22, 15-25
PROSPER DEF. LEE 25-14, 25-15
Lee cumulative statistics

Kills – Kelsey Harrington 25, Emily Hillman 21, Yeli Flores 14, McKenzie Gibson 6, Chassidee Trimble 2, Brooke Payne 2, Alle Gomez 1

Digs (Prosper only) – Hillman 7, Flores 6, Brianna Woods 4, Morgan Ironside 4, Gomez 3, Lily Perez 2

Assists – Gomez 25, Ironside 24, Woods 3, Harrington 2, Perez 1

Blocks –Harrington 3, Trimble 3, Hillman 2, Flores 1

Aces –Woods 13, Flores 9, Hillman 4, Ironside 7, Gomez 6, Harrington 3

Record: Lee 9-8

Next: Lee at Monahans, 6 p.m.

MCA SECOND AT DENVER CITY

DENVER CITY – Midland Classical Academy placed second in the gold bracket of the Denver City Tournament.

MCA defeated Plains (25-17, 25-19), Monahans (25-9, 25-17) and Lubbock Christian (25-21, 25-20) before MCA lost to Denver City (25-22, 25-12).

Jenny Coco had 36 kills and 45 digs, Leia Beattie had 31 digs and Kenna Bayley added 74 assists.

MCA DEF. PLAINS, 25-17, 25-19
MCA DEF MONAHANS, 25-9, 25-17
MCA DEF. LUBBOCK CHRISTIAN 25-21, 25-20
DENVER CITY DEF. MCA 25-22, 25-12
MCA statistics

Lizabelle Russell – 29 kills, 10 digs, 5 blocks, 4 aces; Jenny Coco – 36 kills, 45 digs, 4 aces; Lea Beattie – 12 kills, 31 digs, 4 aces, 2 blocks; Kenna Bayley – 7 kills, 42 digs, 74 assists

Record: MCA 15-3-2

Next: Lubbock Titans at MCA, 6 p.m., Sept. 4

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actually came together and executed a match successfully," Smyers said. "We're all learning and in the process of figuring out who we are on the court and how each of us play. As long as we keep doing that, we'll be great."

Jimenez chalked up the inconsistent play in the WTC match to mental and physical fatigue, minor injuries and some bad habits.

"We went over the fact that we're trying to avoid being a roller coaster team," Jimenez said. "We want to be a team that's even keel and fights through the highs and lows."

Added Smyers, "We had our positive moments but we're still on our roller coaster. We need to start focusing on our highs instead of our lows. We need to have a short-term memory. But we have a lot to look forward to this season."

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Midland College Kick-Off Classic

At Chaparral Center
Today

10 a.m., Blinn College def. Western Texas College, 25-19, 25-17, 25-11

Noon, Trinity Valley Community College def. Midland College, 25-20, 25-19, 25-23

2 p.m., Blinn College def. Ranger College, 25-9, 25-19, 25-18

4 p.m., Trinity Valley CC def. Western Texas College, 25-11, 25-13, 25-19

6 p.m., Midland College def. Ranger College, 25-22, 25-15, 25-20

Saturday

8 a.m., Trinity Valley CC def. Ranger College 25-23, 25-22, 25-12, 25-14

10 a.m., Trinity Valley CC def. Blinn College, 25-15, 25-20, 18-25, 25-9, 15-12;

Noon, Midland College def. Blinn College 25-23, 25-15, 25-18

2 p.m., Ranger College def. Western Texas College, 25-20, 25-23, 25-14

4 p.m., Midland College def. Western Texas College, 25-18, 25-16, 14-25, 16-25, 15-12

MIDLAND COLLEGE DEF. NO. 20 BLINN COLLEGE, 25-23, 25-15, 25-18
MIDLAND COLLEGE DEF. WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE, 25-18, 25-19, 14-25, 16-25, 15-12
Midland College cumulative statistics

Kills – Lauren Watanabe 27, Alize Mayen 14,Hayden Smyers 13, Anja Rodic 13, Keisha Hagenburu 9, Lina Espejo 15

Assists – Lina Espejo 39, Desiree Marmolejo 27, Lesly Galarza 17, Pam Sandoval 2, Emily Hanna 1, Watanabe 1

Digs – Sandoval 11, Watanabe 20, Espejo 19, Smyers 20, Emy Espinoza 20, Rodic 4, Galarza 4, Marmolejo 2, Hanna 9, Hagenburu 3, Mayen 2, Rodic 1

Blocks – Mayen 5.5, Hagenburu 4, Rodic 1.5, Espejo 2, Smyers 2.5, Watanabe 1

Aces – Espejo 2, Espinoza 2, Marmolejo 1, Smyers 1, Watanabe 1, Hagenburu 1, Kalina Todorovska 1

Record: Midland College 3-1

Next: Midland College at Blinn College Tournament, Friday

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Midland College's Hayden Smyers goes for the kill versus Blinn College on Saturday afternoon at Chaparral Center.

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FROM STAFF REPORTS

ROCKHOUNDS 2, FRISCO 1, 10 INNINGS
At Dr Pepper Ballpark

TOP HITTERS: Tyler Ramirez went 2-for-4 for the RockHounds. ... Jose Cardona was 2-for-4 for Frisco.

TOP PITCHERS: Midland starter James Naile allowed one earned run on seven hits, one walk and he struck out five over seven innings in a no decision. ... RockHounds reliever Corey Walter picked up his fourth win in relief after he did not allow a hit or a walk over two shutout innings.

HIGHLIGHTS: Frisco had an early 1-0 lead when on a Jose Cardona RBI single in the third inning. ... Midland tied the game in the sixth when Skye Bolt homered to left field. ... Midland got the winning run in the 10th when Eric Marinez scored on a wild pitch.

NOTES: Despite the win, the RockHounds' magic number to be eliminated from Texas League South title and postseason contention is down to 1 after Corpus Christi defeated San Antonio 5-4 in 10 innings. ... Midland and Frisco meet in the second game of a three-game series at 7:05 p.m. today.

TL standings

Second Half

North Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Tulsa (Dodgers)	34	25	.576	—
Arkansas (Mariners)	31	29	.517	3½
NW Arkansas (Royals)	30	30	.500	4½
Springfield (Cardinals)	24	36	.400	10½

South Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Corpus Christi (Astros)	34	25	.576	—
Frisco (Rangers)	32	28	.533	2½
San Antonio (Padres)	27	31	.466	6½
Midland (Athletics)	28	34	.433	8½

Saturday's Scores

NW Arkansas 3, Arkansas 1
Midland 2, Frisco 1
San Antonio at Corpus Christi, 8:05 p.m.
Tulsa 5, Springfield 0

Today's Games

NW Arkansas at Arkansas, 2:10 p.m.
San Antonio at Corpus Christi, 6:05 p.m.
Midland at Frisco, 7:05 p.m.
Springfield at Tulsa, 7:05 p.m.

MLB GLANCE

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Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	90	41	.687	—
New York	82	47	.636	7
Tampa Bay	69	61	.531	20½
Toronto	60	69	.465	29
Baltimore	37	93	.285	52½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	73	56	.566	—
Minnesota	61	68	.473	12
Detroit	53	77	.408	20½
Chicago	50	79	.388	23
Kansas City	40	90	.308	33½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	78	50	.609	—
Oakland	78	52	.600	1
Seattle	74	56	.569	5
Los Angeles	63	66	.488	15½
Texas	58	73	.443	21½

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	72	57	.558	—
Philadelphia	69	60	.535	3
Washington	64	66	.492	8½
New York	58	71	.450	14
Miami	53	78	.405	20

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	75	53	.586	—
St. Louis	72	58	.554	4
Milwaukee	72	59	.550	4½
Pittsburgh	64	66	.492	12
Cincinnati	58	74	.491	20

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	71	58	.550	—
Colorado	71	58	.550	—
Los Angeles	68	61	.527	3
San Francisco	64	67	.489	8
San Diego	50	81	.382	22

Saturday's scores

AMERICAN LEAGUE

N.Y Yankees 10, Baltimore 3, 1st game
San Francisco 5, Texas 3
Toronto 8, Philadelphia 6
Tampa Bay 5, Boston 1
Chicago White Sox 6, Detroit 1
N.Y. Yankees 5, Baltimore 1, 2nd game
Oakland 6, Minnesota 2
Kansas City 7, Cleveland 1
Seattle at Arizona, late
Houston at L.A. Angels, late

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Chicago Cubs 10, Cincinnati 6
San Francisco 5, Texas 3
Toronto 8, Philadelphia 6
N.Y. Mets 3, Washington 0
Miami 3, Atlanta 1
Pittsburgh 9, Milwaukee 1
Colorado 9, St. Louis 1
Seattle at Arizona, late
San Diego at L.A. Dodgers, late

Today's games

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Philadelphia (Velasquez 8-9) at Toronto (Estrada 7-6), 12:07 p.m.
Boston (Eovaldi 5-5) at Tampa Bay (Snell 15-5), 12:10 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Kopech 0-0) at Detroit (Zimmermann 6-5), 12:10 p.m.
Oakland (Anderson 3-3) at Minnesota (Berrios 11-8), 1:10 p.m.
Cleveland (Bieber 7-2) at Kansas City (Lopez 0-3), 1:15 p.m.
Texas (Gallardo 7-2) at San Francisco (Holland 6-8), 3:05 p.m.
Houston (Verlander 1-0) at L.A. Angels (Pena 1-3), 3:07 p.m.
Seattle (Leake 8-7) at Arizona (Gramble 12-8), 3:10 p.m.
N.Y Yankees (Severino 16-6) at Baltimore (Cashner 4-11), 7:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Philadelphia (Velasquez 8-9) at Toronto (Estrada 7-6), 12:07 p.m.
Atlanta (Gausman 8-9) at Miami (Lopez 2-5), 12:10 p.m.
Washington (Rodriguez 1-1) at N.Y Mets (Matz 5-10), 12:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Archer 4-6) at Milwaukee (Anderson 8-7), 1:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Bailey 1-11) at Chicago Cubs (Hendricks 9-10), 1:20 p.m.
St. Louis (Gomber 3-6) at Colorado (Anderson 6-6), 2:10 p.m.
Texas (Gallardo 7-2) at San Francisco (Holland 6-8), 3:05 p.m.
San Diego (Erlin 3-3) at L.A. Dodgers (Wood 7-6), 3:10 p.m.
Seattle (Leake 8-7) at Arizona (Gramble 12-8), 3:10 p.m.

Texas box scores

GIANTS 5, RANGERS 3

Texas	ab	r	h	bi	San Francisco	ab	r	h	bi
Choo lf	3	1	1	0	McCtchn cf	4	1	1	0
Odor 2b	4	1	3	3	Belt 1b	4	1	1	0
Andrus ss	3	0	0	0	Legarre 3b	3	0	0	1
Mazara rf	4	0	1	0	Hundley c	2	1	1	0
Profar 3b	3	0	0	0	Slater lf	4	0	1	0
R.Chrns c	3	0	1	0	B.Crwfrd ss	4	1	1	3
Guzman 1b	3	0	0	0	d'Arnaud 2b	2	0	0	0
Beltre ph	1	0	0	0	Hanson ph-2b	1	0	0	0
Tocci cf	3	0	0	0	Duggar cf	4	0	2	0
Kiner-Fif ph	0	0	0	0	A.Sanez p	2	0	0	0
M.Perez p	1	0	0	0	Pereira ph	1	1	1	1
D.Rsnen ph	1	0	0	0	Strahm p	0	0	0	0
M.Moore p	0	0	0	0	W.Smith p	0	0	0	0
Gallo ph	1	1	0	0	Moronta p	0	0	0	0
C.Mrtn p	0	0	0	0					
C.Perez ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	31	3	6	3	Totals	31	5	8	5

Texas.....000 020 001—3
San Francisco.....020 003 00x—5

E—Slater (1). DP—San Francisco 2. LOB—Texas 5, San Francisco 6. 2B—McCutchen (27). HR—Odor (17), B.Crawford (12), Pence (2). SB—Hundley (1), Slater (6). CS—Odor (11). SF—Longoria (4).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Perez L,2-6	6	5	4	4	1	4
Moore	2	1	1	1	2	3
Martin	1	2	0	0	0	2
San Francisco						
Suarez W,5-9	7	3	0	0	3	5
Strickland	1	2	3	0	0	0
Smith	2/3	1	0	0	2	2
Melancon S,24	1/3	0	0	0	0	0

WP—Smith.
T—3:03. A—40,257 (41,915).

FRIDAY LATE GAME

RANGERS 7, GIANTS 6, 10 INNINGS

Texas	ab	r	h	bi	San Francisco	ab	r	h	bi
Choo lf	6	1	1	2	McCtchn cf	4	2	2	1
Odor 2b	5	1	1	2	Panik 2b	5	1	2	0
Andrus ss	5	0	0	0	Posey c	3	1	1	1
Mazara rf	4	1	1	0	Belt 1b	4	1	1	0
Profar 3b	5	2	3	0	Legarre 3b	5	0	1	1
Gallo pr	0	1	0	0	B.Crwfrd ss	4	0	1	1
Stubbs pr-lf	1	0	1	0	Hosmer lf	1	0	0	1
Kiner-Fif lf	3	1	1	0	G.Brnsn ph-lf	3	0	0	0
Gimenez p	0	0	0	0	S.Dyson p	0	0	0	0
Alberto ph	1	0	0	0	Strahm p	0	0	0	0
Leclerc p	0	0	0	0	Duggar rf	1	0	2	0
Guzman 1b	4	0	0	0	D.Fdrgo p	0	0	0	0
Hutchison p	1	0	0	0	Mlancon p	0	0	0	0
Beltre ph	0	0	0	0	Mlancon p	0	0	0	0
Springs p	0	0	0	0	Pence ph	1	0	0	0
D.Rsnen ph	1	0	0	0	W.Smith p	0	0	0	0
Butler p	0	0	0	0	Slater lf	1	0	0	0
R.Chrns c	1	0	0	1					
Totals	40	7	10	7	Totals	39	6	11	6

Texas.....000 020 112 1—7
San Francisco.....400 200 000 0—6

E—Panik (5). DP—San Francisco 1. LOB—Texas 9, San Francisco 11. HR—Odor (16), Gallo (34), McCutchen (15). SB—McCutchen 2 (13). Longoria (2). SF—B.Crawford (5), Hanson (3).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Hutchison	4	7	6	6	4	2
Springs	2	3	0	0	0	3
Butler	1 1-3	1	0	0	2	0
Gsellm W,2-1	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	4
Leclerc S,7-11	1	0	0	0	0	2
San Francisco						
Rodriguez	6	3	2	2	3	4
Moronta	1	1	1	1	1	1
Melancon	1	3	1	1	0	1
Smith BS,3	1	1	2	0	0	0
Dyson L,3-3	2-3	2	1	1	2	0
Black	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

T—3:48. A—39,845 (41,915).

ASTROS 9, ANGELS 3

Houston	ab	r	h	bi	Los Angeles	ab	r	h	bi
Bregman 3b	4	1	1	0	K.Chun rf	4	0	1	0
Altuve 2b	5	2	2	1	Fletcher 2b	3	1	0	0
Correa ss	4	3	2	1	Trout cf	3	0	2	0
White dh	4	1	2	2	Pujols dh	3	0	0	0
M.Gnzlz lf	5	2	2	4	Simmons ss	4	0	1	1
Gurriel 1b	4	0	1	0	R.Rivera c	3	0	1	0
Reddick rf	3	0	1	0	Ohtani ph	1	0	0	0
Mldnado c	4	0	1	1	F.Arcia c	0	0	0	0
T.Kemp cf	4	0	0	0	J.Marte 1b	4	1	1	0
Ward 3b	4	1	1	2					
Yng.Jr lf	4	0	0	0					
Totals	37	9	12	9	Totals	33	3	7	3

Houston.....001 040 112—9
Los Angeles.....000 000 210—3

E—Bregman (14). DP—Houston 1, Los Angeles 2. LOB—Houston 5, Los Angeles 6. 2B—Altuve (25), White (5), M.Gonzalez (19). 3B—Trout (4). HR—Altuve (10), Correa (14), M.Gonzalez (13), Ward (2). SB—Bregman (10).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Keuchel W,10-10	7	5	2	2	2	6
McHugh	2-3	2	1	1	1	0
Sipp	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Harris	1	0	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles						
Harvey L,7-8	6	8	5	5	1	5
Bedrosian	1	1	1	1	0	2
Ramirez	1	2	1	1	1	0
McCune	1	1	2	2	2	1

WP—Keuchel.
T—3:04. A—42,788 (45,050).

Linescores

AMERICAN LEAGUE

YANKEES 10, ORIOLES 3, 1ST GAME

New York.....104 210 011—10 11 1
Baltimore.....020 000 001—3 8 0

J.Happ, Cessa (7) and Higashioka; Yacabonis, Messinger (4), Gilmartin (6), Wright Jr. (9) and Wynns. W—J.Happ 15-6. L—Yacabonis 0-2. Sv—Cessa (1). HRs—New York, Gardner (11), Hicks (21), Torres (19), Andujar (21).

WHITE SOX 6, TIGERS 1

Chicago.....122 010 000—6 11 0
Detroit.....010 000 000—1 4 0

Giolito, Covey (8) and K.Smith; R.Carpenter, VerHagen (5), Coleman (8) and Greiner. W—Giolito 10-9. L—R.Carpenter 1-2. HRs—Chicago, Smith (1), Detroit, Mahtook (4).

RAYS 5, RED SOX 1

Boston.....010 000 000—1 5 0
Tampa Bay.....000 103 01x—5 9 0

Porcello, Brasier (6), Workman (7), Thornburg (8) and Leon; Yarbrough, Stanek (6), Roe (7), Alvarado (8), Roney (9) and Perez. W—Stanek 3-3. L—Porcello 15-7. HRs—Tampa Bay, Pham (1).

YANKEES 5, ORIOLES 1, 2ND GAME

New York.....120 100 001—5 12 0
Baltimore.....000 000 001—1 7 1

Gray, Holder (7), Kahnle (8), Betances (9) and Romine; Cashner, M.Castro (6) and Joseph. W—Gray 10-8. L—Cashner 4-12. Sv—Betances (1). HRs—New York, Romine (9).

ROYALS 7, INDIANS 1

Cleveland.....010 000 000—1 5 0
Kansas City.....001 300 10x—7 14 0

Kluber, O.Perez (6), Otero (7), Tomlin (8) and Gomes; Fillmyer, Hill (7), Newberry (7), Hammel (8) and S.Perez. W—Fillmyer 2-1. L—Kluber 16-7. HRs—Kansas City, Duda (12).

ATHLETICS 6, TWINS 2

Oakland.....010 300 020—6 12 0
Minnesota.....000 100 100—2 8 0

Fiers, Trivino (6), Buchter (7), Familia (7), Treinen (9) and Lucroy; Gonsolves, Busenitz (6), Moya (8), May (9) and Astudillo. W—Fiers 10-6. L—Gonsolves 0-2. HRs—Oakland, Lucroy (5). Minnesota, Austin (4), Sano (12).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

CUBS 10, REDS 6

Cincinnati.....000 330 000—6 12 2
Chicago.....020 211 30x—10 12 0

Castillo, Garrett (4), Romano (5), Pastilla (8), Hernandez (8) and Barnhart; Quintana, Chavez (5), Wilson (7), Kinsler (8), De La Rosa (8) and Contreras. W—Quintana 11-9. L—Castillo 7-11. HRs—Cincinnati, Suarez (23), Castill (4), Chicago, Baez (28), Schwarber (23), Murphy (2).

N.Y. METS 3, NATIONALS 0

Washington.....000 000 000—0 7 0
New York.....020 001 10x—3 8 0

Roark, Suero (7), Holland (8), Glass (8) and Wieters; Wheeler, Zamora (8), D.Smith (9), Blevins (9) and Plawecki. W—Wheeler 9-6. L—Roark 9-13. HRs—New York, Frazier (15), Rosario (7).

MARLINS 3, BRAVES 1

Atlanta.....000 000 001—1 3 0
Miami.....000 001 20x—3 8 1

An.Sanchez, Sobolfski (8), L.Jackson (9) and Suzuki; Chen, Ruginski (7), Conley (7), Barraclough (8), Steckenrider (9) and Realmuto. W—Chen 5-6. L—An.Sanchez 8-6. Sv—Steckenrider (2). HRs—Atlanta, Swanson (13), Miami, Anderson (10).

PIRATES 9, BREWERS 1

Pittsburgh.....020 100 220—9 14 0
Milwaukee.....001 000 000—1 6 1

Taillon, E.Santana (7), Kela (8) and Cervelli; Chacin, Jennings (7), T.Williams (8), Albers (8) and Pina. W—Taillon 10-9. L—Chacin 13-6. HRs—Pittsburgh, Frazier (9). Milwaukee, Yelich (33).

ROCKIES 9, CARDINALS 1

St. Louis.....000 000 010—1 6 2
Colorado.....200 005 02x—9 13 0

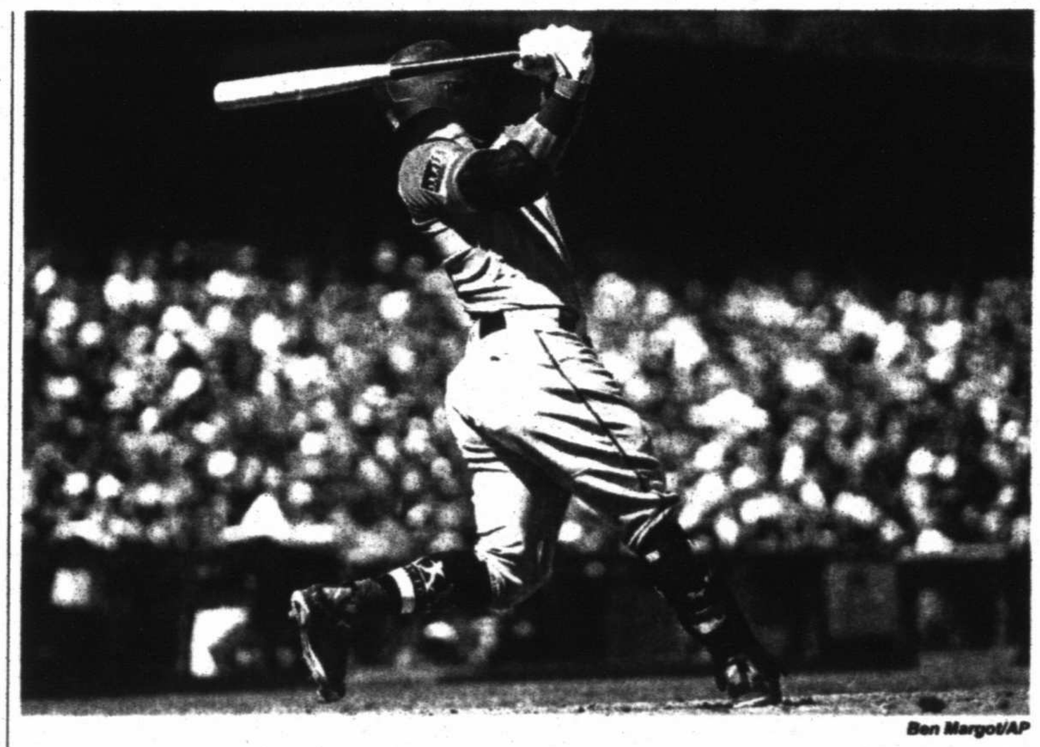
Gant, Hudson (6), Cecil (8), Mayers (8), Wainer (9) and Molina; Marquez, Oberste (6), Oh (8) and Wolters. W—Oberste 5-2. L—Hudson 6-1. HRs—Colorado, Holliday (1).

INTERLEAGUE

BLUE JAYS 8, PHILLIES 6

Philadelphia.....201 012 000—6 12 0
Toronto.....220 200 02x—8 9 0

Pivetta, Cernkovsky (7), Alvarez (8) and Alfaro; Sanchez, Petricka (8), Wagner (8), Biagini (9), Giles (9) and Jansen. W—Biagini 2-2. L—Cernkovsky 1-5. Sv—Giles (19). HRs—Toronto, McKinney (5), Alvarez (28).



Ben Margot/AP

Texas Rangers' Rougned Odor swings for a three-run home run hit off San Francisco Giants' Hunter Strickland in the eighth inning on Saturday in San Francisco.

Giants nearly blow another big lead, hold off Rangers 5-3

By Michael Wagaman
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Less than 24 hours after blowing a six-run lead in an extra-innings loss, Mark Melancon prevented the San Francisco Giants from letting another big advantage slip away.

The former closer did it on a day when the Giants celebrated their 2010 World Series championship, a team that had more than its fair share of tight finishes.

Melancon got pinch-hitter Carlos Perez to fly out with the bases loaded in the ninth inning, preserving a 5-3 win over Texas Rangers on Saturday.

"It's really incredible how similar the two games were but we found a way to get the last out today," San Francisco manager Bruce Bochy said. "Torture was back."

Andrew Suarez pitched seven scoreless innings of three-hit ball to end a four-start winless drought. Brandon Crawford and Hunter Pence homered while Nick Hundley added two walks and scored.

San Francisco began the day nine games behind Milwaukee for the second NL wild card.

"It's very important to continue to send that message of relentless attack," Pence said. "Even where we are and as clouded as it may seem, you still never know. When there's still a chance in this game of baseball, things can get hot in an instant."

Hours after Bochy confirmed that six-time All-Star catcher Buster Posey is headed for season-ending hip surgery, San Francisco did the bulk of its scoring in the first inning then held on behind Suarez and three relievers for a rare win at AT&T Park.

Suarez (5-9) struck out five and walked three to win for the first time since July 29. The left-hander induced 12 groundouts and two double plays.

"This whole week I looked at old video just to see what could get me going again," Suarez said. "Once I know I'm getting a lot of groundballs I know that's when I'm in my game."

The Giants have the fourth-best winning percentage in the NL at home but had lost 10 of the previous 13 at their waterfront ballpark before edging the Rangers.

Rougned Odor homered and had three hits for Texas.

"The difference is we didn't get the big hit when we needed to there late," Rangers manager Jeff Banister said. "We felt good about our situation once we got some baserunners there in the last inning. We were unable to come up with the big hit."

Hunter Strickland and Will Smith combined to retire five batters before Melancon closed the hectic ninth.

Crawford homered off Martin Perez (2-6) in the first, a three-run blast to center. The Giants shortstop entered the day batting .178 since July 1, the lowest average in the majors among players with at least 150 plate appearances.

Pence had a pinch-hit home run off Matt Moore in the seventh.

Odor, who hit a tying two-run home run in the ninth Friday, trimmed the lead to 5-3 with a three-run shot off Hunter Strickland in the eighth. Two batters earlier, a two-out fielding error by left fielder Austin Slater extended the inning.

In a rut

Perez allowed four runs in the first inning then yielded only two hits over the next four innings. The lefty, who missed more than two months on the DL because of pain in his right elbow, is winless since April 22.

"The first inning I threw just one bad pitch," Perez said. "After that I shut it down and just tried to get zeroes."

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American League

N.Y. YANKEES 10, ORIOLES 3, 1ST GAME

BALTIMORE — Andujar homered and had four RBIs, J.A. Happ pitched six sharp innings to win his fifth straight start with the Yankees and New York breezed to a 10-3 rout of the Baltimore Orioles on Saturday in the opener of a split doubleheader.

After driving in a first-inning run with a groundout, Andujar put the Yankees up 5-2 in the third with a three-run shot off Jimmy Yacabonis (0-2).

With his 42nd multihit game, Andujar raised his batting average since the All-Star break to .344. He leads all AL rookies in hitting (.298), RBIs (70) and is second in home runs (21).

Teammate Aaron Judge was a unanimous pick as rookie of the year in 2017, and Andujar just might make it two in a row for New York.

WHITE SOX 6, TIGERS 1

DETROIT — Lucas Giolito (10-9) pitched seven sharp innings in his third straight quality start. He allowed a run and three hits with a walk and six strikeouts.

Mikie Mahtook homered for the Tigers. Ryan Carpenter (1-2) gave up six runs and nine hits in 4 1/3 innings.

Detroit optioned Carpenter to Triple-A Toledo after the game.

RAYS 5, RED SOX 1

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Kevin Kiermaier tripled to key a two-run sixth inning, Tommy Pham homered and the Rays won their seventh straight game by beating the major league-leading Boston Red Sox 5-1 on Saturday night.

The surprising Rays will try to become the first team this season to sweep Boston in a series Sunday when the teams complete a three-game set.

Tampa Bay is a season-high eight games over .500 (69-61). The Rays have allowed three or fewer runs in seven consecutive games.

YANKEES 5, ORIOLES 1, 2ND GAME

BALTIMORE — Gray, making a spot start for the second game of a split doubleheader, limited Baltimore through 61/3 scoreless innings while helping to lead the Yankees to a 5-1 win before 26,236 fans at Camden Yards on Saturday.

The right-hander allowed just three hits with one walk and seven strikeouts in the 79-pitch outing.

Baltimore scored its only run against reliever Tommy Kahnle in the ninth.

ROYALS 7, INDIANS 1

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The number under the Royals' loss column is what fans will use to measure the success of the 2018 season.

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ATHLETICS 6, TWINS 2

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National League

CHICAGO CUBS 10, REDS 6

CHICAGO — Daniel Murphy and Kyle Schwarber each hit a two-run homer, Javier Baez added a solo shot and the Chicago Cubs beat the Cincinnati Reds 10-6 on Saturday for their fourth straight win.

Murphy homered for a second straight day and is batting .407 (48 for 118) with nine homers in 31 career regular-season games at Wrigley Field — all but three of them before he joined the Cubs in a trade this week.

Baez was 2 for 4 with a walk and three RBIs. The homer was his 28th and he leads the NL with 97 RBIs.

NL-Central leading Chicago has gone deep in 10 consecutive games, amassing a total of 17 homers during that stretch.

N.Y. METS 3, NATIONALS 0

Wheels was rolling, despite a few speedbumps.

Zack Wheeler — "Wheels" according to his players' weekend uniform — continued his string of dominant outings, shutting out the Nationals over a gritty seven innings as the Mets turned their old rivals aside, 3-0, at Citi Field.

Amed Rosario hit a solo home run off Tanner Roark, his seventh of the year, in the sixth to give the Mets a one-run lead. Todd Frazier added a solo shot of his own in the seventh. Michael Conforto's run-scoring single drove in Rosario in the eighth.

MARLINS 3, BRAVES 1

MIAMI — On Saturday night, Wei-Yin Chen continued his mastery at Marlins Park, tossing six shutout innings and striking out a season-high 10 batters to help Miami beat Atlanta, 3-0.

The 6-foot left-hander lowered his home ERA to 1.86 on the season, scattering six hits on 109 pitches — also a season-high. Saturday marked the third time in his career he's notched at least 10 strikeouts.

At the plate, JT Realmuto drove in one run and Brian Anderson added a pinch hit two-run homer to give Chen all the run support he'd need.

The lefty starter ran into trouble in the sixth inning with two runners on and the game scoreless, but escaped unharmed after striking out Anibal Sanchez to end the threat.

PIRATES 9, BREWERS 1

MILWAUKEE — Adam Frazier hit a three-run homer and Jameson Taillon pitched six strong innings as the Pittsburgh Pirates defeated the Milwaukee Brewers 9-1 on Saturday night.

Frazier's drive with one out in the eighth off reliever Taylor Williams give the Pirates a five-run cushion after Gregory Polanco broke a seventh-inning tie with a two-run single.

Taillon (10-9) gave up one run and five hits in six innings. He struck out eight and didn't walk a batter.

ROCKIES 9, CARDINALS 1

DENVER — Pinch-hitter Matt Holliday launched his first home run of the season in the seventh inning, Carlos Gonzalez sparked an eight-run eighth with a tiebreaking double and the Colorado Rockies beat the St. Louis Cardinals 9-1 in a matchup of NL playoff contenders Saturday.

The loss snapped St. Louis' nine-game road winning streak. The surging Cardinals had won four straight and eight of 10 overall.

Holliday, out of baseball before signing a minor league contract last month, was called up this week by the Rockies — his original team. His homer broke up a scoreless game and marked his first with Colorado since 2008.

Interleague

BLUE JAYS 8, PHILLIES 6

TORONTO — There was nothing Herrera could do to stop it. And it seems like there is nothing the Phillies can do to stop their spiral. They fell again on Saturday as they blew a five-run lead to the Blue Jays en route to an 8-6 loss. The Phillies have lost six of their last seven games.

Aledyms Diaz blasted a three-run double in the eighth inning off Victor Arano after Seranthony Dominguez loaded the bases with one out. Dominguez entered the game after Nick Pivetta gave up a two-run homer in the seventh to Billy McKinney.

Gabe Kapler left new left-hander Luis Avilan in the bullpen and kept Pivetta on the mound against the left-handed Billy McKinney. Kapler trusted his right-handed starter to retire McKinney, and it was that trust that spoiled what seemed like an easy win.

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Andrews cross country runners from left Samantha Jasso, Elizabeth Garcia, and Jasmine Parker compete in the Girls Division 1 event of the Tall City Invitational on Saturday at the Rock The Desert grounds. Garcia (center) finished first in the event with a time of 21:27.75 and Jasso finished second in the event with a time of 21:33.13.

ANDREWS

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three points with a team score of 41. Midland High seniors Niamaya Cisneros, Kandus Box and Shelby Schmidt claimed the fourth through sixth spots in head coach Desiree Stephenson's debut.

"We have stepped up the intensity of our practices," Stephenson said. "We really practice with a purpose. We pay attention to our mileage and our recovery. We're just very methodical with how we train. I think they've bought in and I think this is a good representation of how they've been working."

Cisneros, who made her MHS cross-country debut after transferring, worked with Stephenson previously when the coach was an assistant at Lee.

"She is the reason why I have gotten faster these past couple of years," Cisneros said. "She's pushed us and she has her workouts and they're really good workouts. I'm happy that she is my coach and that she is willing to push me."

Big Spring senior Cooper Miller placed second in the boys race with a time of 17:32.65. Despite being a seasoned two-time state meet participant, Miller said he had to overcome jitters.

"My mentality is just getting the nerves out of the way for all the rest of (the meets)," Miller said. "I woke up this morning, I felt sick to my stomach, just because I was nervous. I'm just trying to get that out of the way for the rest of the season."

Stotts' dream comes to fruition

The inaugural Camron Stotts Champion Division 5K took place before the varsity races and were open to the public. While cycling, Stotts was tragically killed by an alleged drunk driver in April. Stotts was going to coach the MCA cross-country team this fall.

Stotts was an advocate for exercise and healthy living and Saturday's open 5K was a vision of his.

"He always loved healthy living and getting outdoors, getting outside in God's country and enjoying what he's created," MCA cross-country coach Chris Ginsbach said.

Ginsbach said approximately 140 participated in the inaugural open race.

Follow Christopher on Twitter: @chris_MRTsports

Tall City Cross-Country Invitational
Rock the Desert Festival Park
Saturday
Division I
Boys

Team standings – 1. Andrews 38. 2. Odessa Permian 75. 3. Coahoma 87. 4. Big Spring 111. 5. Midland Christian 121. 6. San Angelo Central 128. 7. Midland High 151. 8. Lee 181. 9. Greenwood 267. 10. Trinity 289

Top 10 individuals – 1. Jasson Marquez, Andrews, 16 minutes, 56.73 seconds. 2. Cooper Miller, Big Spring, 17:32.65. 3. Oscar Solorio Torres, Permian, 17:35.57. 4. Joshua Garcia, Permian, 17:37.82. 5. Derik Lujan, Andrews, 17:46.60. 6. Matthew Villarreal, Andrews, 17:52.62. 7. Jace Mitchell, Midland Christian, 18:00.44. 8. Manuel Marquez, Big Spring, 18:07.48. 9. Christopher Lopez, Lee, 18:08.07. 10. Jovhan Velasco, Crane, 18:11.24

Girls

Team standings – 1. Andrews 38. 2. Midland High 41. 3. Lee 65. 4. San Angelo Central 88. 5. Odessa Permian 125

Top 10 individuals – 1. Elizabeth Garcia, Andrews, 21:27.75. 2. Samantha Jasso, Andrews, 21:33.13. 3. Nayeli Galindo, Lee, 21:49.00. 4. Niamaya Cisneros, Midland High, 22:00.27. 5. Kandus Box, Midland High, 22:05.48. 6. Shelby Schmidt, Midland High, 22:08.86. 7. Sarah Hernandez, Midland High, 22:27.84. 8. Stacey Brunng, Lee, 22:28.33. 9. Grace Sheffer, Andrews, 2:29.02. 10 Bailey Bingham, Lee, 22:35.33

Division II
Boys

Team standings – 1. Odessa Permian 43. 2. Andrews 79. 3. Kermit 85. 4. Denver City Junior High 95. 5. Big Spring 148. 6. Grady 152. 7. Crane 160. 8. Stanton 167. 9. Midland High 225. 10 Coahoma 239. 11. Odessa Compass Academy 286. 12. Midland TLCA 379

Top 10 individuals – 1. Cristian Vasquez, Kermit, 17:15.61. 2. Wyatt Mills, Sanderson, 18:38.92. 3. David Reyna, Alton Pastor Springs, 19:04.99. 4. Andy Solais, Permian, 19:37.27. 5. Jacob Freeman, Denver City Junior High, 19:39.41. 6. Miguel Rodriguez, Permian, 19:44.02. 7. Adriel Hinojos, Permian, 19:44.77. 8. Alijah Ontiveros, Grady, 19:46.71. 9. Javier Lopez, Midland High, 19:49.14. 10. Aden Alberdrez, Permian, 20:07.11

Girls

Team standings – 1. Kermit 54. 2. Crane 62. 3. Greenwood 68. 4. Forsan 158. 5. Big Spring 165. 6. Andrews 177. 7. Midland Christian 180. 9 Denver City Junior High 196. 10. Stanton 209. 11 Midland High 211. 12. Lee 231

Top 10 individuals – 1. Mccarley Hofman, Midland Christian, 14:28.37. 2. Rylee Evans, Forsan, 14:30.80. 3. Bailey Rodriguez, Crane, 14:32.78. 4. Marissa Davila, Kermit, 15:00.95. 5. Aasely Prieto, Kermit, 15:29.80. 7. Waye Savage, Greenwood, 15:23.85. 8. Angelina Perez, Crane, 15:29.71. 9. Jasalyn Kuhlmann, Greenwood, 15:33.59. 10. Natalie Bernard, Crane, 15:42.45

DODSON

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than you've ever seen in your life in one gathering. He's world renowned."

Dodson mentored Sonya Mikeska, the head athletic trainer at Midland College.

"The reason I came to Midland College was because Doc came and got me at (Angelo State)," Mikeska said. "My first year of grad school in '95, he said, 'You're going to be the first athletic trainer Midland College has ever had.' Doc and the head athletic trainer at ASU were friends."

In the spring of '96, he came back and told her that an interview was set up for the summer.

"I came and interviewed and got the job," Mikeska said. "I'm starting my 23rd year. He was a mentor to me, but also a wise counsel and also a sounding board because he had done so much and seen so much as an athletic trainer. He was the same all the way from the beginning until now. He was a great man."

Dodson might be most remembered by some for being a proud Midlander. Feldt said he was heavily involved in prominent social and city events around town, and everybody seemed to know him. And of course, Dodson was known for being perhaps the most diehard supporter of Midland High athletics.

"He would sit at the end of bench at every basketball game," Feldt said. "He had a tape recorder and he would do the play-by-play into that tape recorder at every single basketball game whether it was the first game of the year or the state championship. Doc was sitting at the end of the bench with that tape recorder, talking about every part of the game. He was something else."

Former Midland High head football coach Craig Yenzer and current MHS head football coach Tim Anuszkiewicz said Dodson was a fixture at their booster club meetings, sitting front and center.

"He's been a true Bulldog for a really long time," Anuszkiewicz said. "It doesn't take long to figure that out when you see the amount of purple clothes that guy has, Bulldog shirts that he had. I don't remember ever seeing him much without Bulldog stuff on."

Yenzer said Dodson had countless purple jackets.

"Every Tuesday night, he was always there and always in support," Yenzer said. "He and his wife Gayle are truly two wonderful people that kind of epitomized what teaching, training and coaching is all about."

Schneider said no amount of newspaper print space can truly depict the magnitude of impact that Dodson had on the Tall City.

"He's impacted thousands and thousands of lives," Schneider said. "Doc has a legacy that is beyond measure without a doubt."

Visitation hours will be held from 4-7 p.m. today at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home at 3800 N. Big Spring St. A graveside service will be held at 12:30 p.m. Monday at Resthaven Memorial Park and a funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Monday at First United Methodist Church.

DeChambeau builds 4-shot lead at Northern Trust

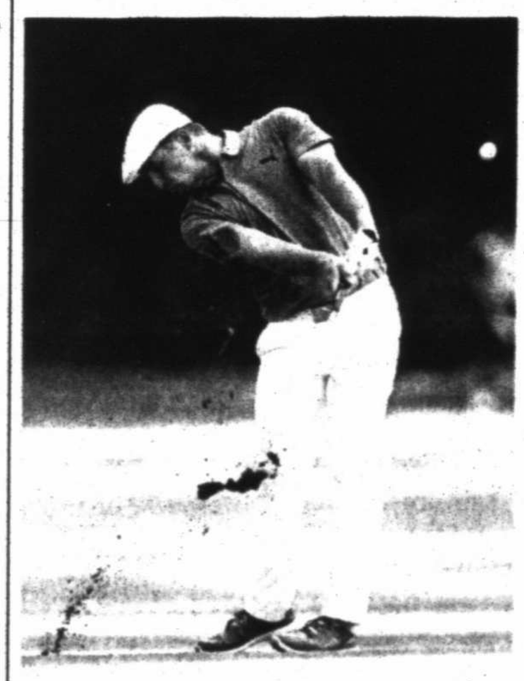
By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

PARAMUS, N.J. — Bryson DeChambeau kept pouring in birdies even as everyone around him went the other direction and wound up with a four-shot lead Saturday in The Northern Trust.

DeChambeau closed with two birdies for an 8-under 63 that gave him firm control of the opening FedEx Cup playoff event. It might even make it hard for Ryder Cup captain Jim Furyk to ignore him when he makes his four wild-card selections a week from Tuesday.

DeChambeau, who earlier this year won the Memorial, was at 16-under 197 and had a four-shot lead over Keegan Bradley, who had a 62. Of the last 10 players to tee off, DeChambeau and Adam Scott were the only players to break par at Ridgewood Country Club.

Scott birdied three of his last four holes to shoot 70.



Mel Evans/AP

Bryson DeChambeau hits a fairway shot on the 18th hole on Saturday during the third round of the Northern Trust tournament in Paramus, N.J.

PRO GOLF SCORES

PGA Tour
Northern Trust Scores
Saturday
At Ridgewood Country Club
Paramus, N.J.
Purse: $9 million
Yardage: 7,280; Par: 71
Third Round

Bryson DeChambeau	68-65-63—197
Keegan Bradley	70-69-62—201
Cameron Smith	68-68-65—202
Tony Finau	69-67-66—202
Billy Horschel	68-69-65—203
Adam Scott	68-64-70—203
Jordan Spieth	70-70-64—204
Beau Hossler	67-71-66—204
Chez Reavie	71-68-67—204
Patrick Cantlay	69-67-68—204
Pat Mickelson	68-68-68—204
Adam Hadwin	71-65-68—204
Brooks Koepka	67-65-72—204
Aaron Wise	70-69-67—205
Nick Watney	69-68-68—205
Louis Oosthuizen	71-66-68—205
Jason Day	71-66-68—205
Justin Thomas	69-67-69—205
Jonas Lovemark	66-65-73—205
Charley Hoffman	69-70-67—206
Scott Stallings	70-69-67—206
Sam Ryder	69-69-68—206
Webb Simpson	71-66-69—206
Kevin Tway	66-69-71—206
Dustin Johnson	67-67-72—206
Kyle Stanley	71-70-65—206
Hideki Matsuyama	67-73-67—207
Patrick Reed	69-71-67—207
Luke List	70-69-68—207
Daniel Berger	69-70-68—207
Brian Stuard	69-71-68—207
Peter Uihlein	68-69-71—207
Ryan Palmer	68-67-72—207
Jhonattan Vegas	67-69-72—207
Sean O'Hair	68-69-72—207
Kevin Na	67-75-65—207
Branden Burgoon	68-73-67—208
Sung Kang	69-72-67—208
Gary Woodland	72-68-68—208
Kevin Streelman	68-69-70—208
Tommy Fleetwood	67-68-73—208
Byeong Hun An	71-71-67—209
Jimmy Walker	69-72-68—209
Paul Casey	67-73-69—209
Ted Potter, Jr.	71-69-69—209
Whee Kim	72-68-69—209
Bubba Watson	71-67-71—209
Harold Varner III	68-69-72—209
Tiger Woods	71-71-68—210
Austin Cook	69-74-68—210
Pat Perez	73-68-69—210
Scott Piercy	67-73-71—210
Brendon Harkins	73-69-68—211
Chesson Hadley	72-69-70—211
Brian Harman	72-69-70—211
Zach Johnson	72-68-71—211
Emiliano Grillo	69-70-72—211
Seamus Power	71-71-70—212
Marc Leishman	73-69-70—212
Ian Poulter	69-73-70—212
Matt Kuchar	72-69-71—212
Danny Lee	67-73-72—212
Brian Gay	71-68-73—212
Tyrell Hatton	69-70-73—212
Sam Saunders	69-70-74—213
Martin Laird	70-72-71—213
Alex Cejka	67-74-72—213
Jason Kokrak	71-69-73—213
Pelle Kizzire	70-70-73—213
Kevin Kisner	68-69-76—213
J.J. Spaun	70-71-73—214
Ryan Armour	69-72-73—214
Trey Mullinax	69-74-73—216
Si Woo Kim	69-72-74—215
Andrew Putnam	67-72-76—215
Rafa Cabrera Bello	67-71-77—215
C.T. Pan	70-72-74—216
Andrew Landry	73-69-74—216
Chris Kirk	70-72-74—216
Anirban Lahiri	71-71-75—217

LPGA
CP Women's Canadian Open Scores
Saturday
At Wascana CC
Saskatchewan
Purse: $2,250,000
Yardage: 6,676; Par: 71
Third Round
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Brooke M. Henderson	68-68-70—206
Nasa Hataoka	64-70-69—203
Angel Yin	65-67-71—203
Sung Hyun Park	70-66-70—204
Su Oh	70-68-69—205
Austin Ernst	68-69-70—205
Minjee Lee	66-73-67—206
Lydia Ko	68-72-66—206
Jennifer Song	71-68-69—208
Mariah Stackhouse	68-69-71—208
Amy Yang	69-65-75—209
Mirim Lee	69-72-68—207
Brooke Lee	69-69-69—207
Jin Young Ko	69-69-69—207
Anna Nordqvist	70-68-71—207
Maria Torres	68-66-73—207
Anya Julsrugarn	64-70-73—207
Thidapa Suwannapura	69-69-70—208
Jaye Marie Green	69-68-71—208
Shanshan Feng	70-69-71—209
Jenny Shin	69-69-72—209
Lindy Duncan	68-69-72—209
Lee-Anne Pace	71-71-68—210
Se Young Kim	68-73-69—210
Ally McDonald	69-70-71—210
Caroline Inglis	68-71-71—210
Georgia Hall	69-70-72—210
Maria Uribe	64-73-73—210
Megan Khang	68-70-69—211
Alena Sharp	71-70-70—211
Katherine Kirk	70-71-70—211
Anne-Catherine Tanguay	70-71-70—211
Jodi Ewart Shadoff	71-69-72—211
Angela Stanford	70-67-74—211
Perrine Delacour	69-68-74—211
Ye Lin	67-69-75—211
Celine Herbin	70-70-72—212
Brittany Lincicome	69-70-73—212
Beatriz Recari	70-68-74—212
Charley Hull	68-70-74—212
Nelly Korda	71-71-71—213
Jackie Stoelting	71-71-71—213
Azahara Munoz	70-72-71—213
Mi Jung Hur	70-72-71—213
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Caroline Masson	71-70-72—213
Anna Park	69-72-72—213
Brittany Lang	67-74-72—213
Madalene Sagstrom	71-69-73—213
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Jane Park	70-69-74—213
Nanna Koerstz Madsen	69-74-74—213
Cindy LaCrosse	69-70-75—213
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Dori Hatsuyama	73-69-76—218
Sandra Changkija	70-73-76—218
Paula Reto	73-69-76—218
Kelly Shon	70-70-82—224

Why some college sports scandals don't draw NCAA penalties

By Ralph D. Russo
Associated Press

The question often comes up when a serious scandal hits college sports: Where is the NCAA? Why isn't the governing body of major college sports, you know, governing?

Ohio State suspended Urban Meyer for three games for mishandling allegations of domestic violence against one of his assistants, but it is doubtful the school, coach or athletic director — also suspended — will face penalties from the NCAA.

Meanwhile, 13 North Carolina football players were suspended by the NCAA earlier this month — some as many as four games — for selling sneakers given to them by the school.

What gives?

"It comes down to purpose and jurisdiction," said Gabe Feldman, director of the sports law program at Tulane University.

The NCAA's primary purpose, Feldman says, is fair competition between the lines and regulating recruiting and amateurism rules.

"It's a governing body over sporting competitions," he said.

Issues outside that — laws and university policies that touch students, employees and others at universities outside of sports — are mostly out of bounds to the NCAA. The 1,100 schools that come together under the NCAA to compete want areas already governed elsewhere to stay governed elsewhere.

Schools don't want the NCAA to expand into investigating to matters such as sexual assault or petty crime. And the NCAA itself couldn't take on more even if it wanted to, given its resources.

Almost nothing about the Meyer scandal clearly falls under NCAA rules. Ohio State's investigators say they told the NCAA that Meyer withheld reporting a potential recruiting violation when wide receivers coach Zach Smith took a high school coach to a strip club — a minor element in a 23-page summary of findings that more precisely examined whether Meyer broke any laws, the terms of his contract or university policies.

"With respect to the NCAA cracking down on either the coach or the institution itself, again it comes down to punishing consistent with their mission and also within their jurisdiction," Feldman said.

That strictly defined jurisdiction has made it difficult — if not impossible — for the NCAA to jump in on other high-profile scandals within college sports.

The NCAA has said it will investigate Michigan State and its role in overseeing Larry Nassar, the former gymnastics doctor who was sentenced to decades in prison after hundreds of girls and women said he sexually abused them under the guise of medical treatment while he worked at the university. But it's unclear what bylaw the NCAA could say Michigan State violated. Perhaps a catch-all, lack of institutional control.

NCAA officials have been looking from afar at Baylor, where outside investigators concluded that former football coach Art Briles and other school employees mishandled sexual assault claims, some against football players. The NCAA is using bylaws regulating extra benefits to athletes as its entry point, investigating whether some might have received special treatment by the athletic department to shield them from discipline.

Some critics believe the NCAA has put limits on its jurisdiction to purposefully avoid more serious issues.

"In terms of big principles, academic fraud, protecting student athletes, issues related to concussion ... It will not get involved in that because of fear of litigation. It wants to pass the liability down to its member institutions," said Donna Lopiano, president of consulting firm Sports Management Resources.

"It issues guidelines, but not rules, and it's afraid if it makes a rule then they're going to have to enforce it, and if they don't enforce it then they're going to be liable," Lopiano said. "That's why they don't do the right thing on the big and important things."

The NCAA is its members. University presidents have the final say over legislation and governance. The NCAA sets academic eligibility standards for athletes, for example. But each school still has the final say over admissions.

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A ball boy stands next to the serve clock during a match between Kei Nishikori, of Japan, and Alexander Zverev, of Germany, on Aug. 3 at the Citi Open tennis tournament in Washington, D.C.

On the clock! 25-second countdown's Slam debut

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press

Any discussion of the serve clocks that will make their Grand Slam debut during the U.S. Open's main draw starting Monday, and could become a regular part of tennis as soon as next year, inevitably turns to Rafael Nadal and Novak Djokovic.

They are two of the greatest players in history — and two of the slowest between points. For one thing, Djokovic's incessant bouncing of the ball before a service toss delays things. So do Nadal's habitual mannerisms: the touching of the nose, the tucking of the hair, the grabbing at the shorts, and on it goes.

And while neither was a big fan of introducing digital readouts on court to show the 25-second countdown before each first serve, the two men with a combined 30 Grand Slam singles titles seem ready to accept that they must abide by a change intended to add uniformity to their sport.

"I just need to go faster," Nadal said, matter-of-factly.

Djokovic's take: "I'm pretty comfortable with it."

Both got a chance to see what this new, stricter world will look like during a test run at a handful of hard-court tuneup tournaments over the past month.

"Some of the guys might think this is targeted to them," said Gayle Bradshaw, the executive vice president for rules and competition on the men's tour.

Referring to Nadal and Djokovic, specifically, Bradshaw added: "They'll adjust. And I think for Rafa, it's going to be a benefit: Him wearing down the other guy."

The U.S. Tennis Association, ATP and WTA are tracking what competitors, spectators and TV broadcasters make of the new system. Reviews from players so far have mostly been positive or indifferent, although Serena Williams said she's "not a fan of it at all."

"You're aware of it. You certainly look at it and notice it. I do think it's a good thing," said Andy Murray, a three-time major champion. "It's one of those things in tennis that is so stupid: The players were sort of expected to sort of be counting to 25 in their head. ... How are you supposed to know how much time you're actually taking?"

Wimbledon semifinalist John Isner and others noted they would step to the line to serve and still have plenty of time — sometimes 10 seconds or more — left, enabling them to catch their breath or think about how to approach the next point.

"I didn't feel rushed at all, by any means," Isner said. "Maybe it can slow you down."

That might have contributed to one unintended consequence during the three men's tournaments where clocks were used for qualifying and main draws: longer matches. It's a small sample size, and, of course, it's dependent on the particulars of individual contests — nearly 30 percent more matches went to 7-5 or a tiebreaker in the third set in 2018 than 2017 at those events. But third sets lasted an average of 5 minutes longer this year than last year. First sets were nearly 1 1/2 minutes longer this year while second sets were a minute shorter.

Servers were warned 74 times and returners received nine warnings at the ATP and WTA tournaments with the clocks.

It's possible this setup will become more widespread as soon as 2019; the ATP Board could consider that for the men's tour during its U.S. Open meeting.

The amount of time taken between points has been a subject of discussion in tennis for quite a while now, just as other sports are concerned about whether events that take too long are losing viewers in this age of short attention spans and competition for eyeballs (take Major League Baseball's limits on mound visits, time between innings and movement toward a pitch clock).

"This just makes it a little more transparent, a little more visible," U.S. Open tournament director David Brewer said. "North American fans are used to shot clocks. They actually expect this sort of thing."

There already was a time limit in tennis, but it was entirely up to a chair umpire's discretion, because no one — most importantly players, but also folks in the stands and TV viewers — knew exactly how many seconds had elapsed. Now it will be apparent to everyone, much like a shot clock in the NBA and college basketball or a play clock in the NFL and college football.

The serve clocks — along with a strict 7-minute period from when players enter a court until a match begins, also shown on digital readouts — were tested during 2017 U.S. Open qualifying.

The basics of the serve clock: After announcing the score, chair umpires start the countdown (they have leeway to wait if a particularly long point merits an extra pause). If the 25 seconds expire before the service motion begins on a first serve, the server will receive a warning, then be assessed a fault for each subsequent violation (second serves are supposed to happen without delay, so clocks won't be used). If the returner isn't ready at the end of 25 seconds, first comes a warning, then the loss of a point with every other violation.

The basics of the pre-match period: Clocks will count a minute from when players step on court until the coin toss, 5 minutes for the warmup, then another minute until the opening point. Delays can result in fines of up to $20,000, according to USTA spokesman Chris Widmaier.

He said players already have been docked as much as $1,500 during recent tournaments.

"The intent is not to fine players. The intent is to get players used to this new procedure and also to truly build consistency," Widmaier said, "so the matches start when they're supposed to start for television and for fans."

Justin Allgaier takes Xfinity race

By Genaro C. Armas
Associated Press

ELKHART LAKE, Wis. — Justin Allgaier won the NASCAR Xfinity Series race at Road America on Saturday, pulling away over the final five laps to pick up his second victory in three weeks.

Allgaier held a 5.4-second advantage over second-place Matt Tifft to take a tense race filled with bumps, scrapes and spinouts around the 14-turn course on Saturday. Daniel Hemric was third.

Allgaier took advantage of late-race commotion to pick up another road course win following a victory two weeks ago at Mid-Ohio.

Second behind points leader Christopher Bell coming into the weekend, Allgaier picked up his fourth victory overall this season.

"I never would have thought we could have a dream season like this one," he said with a smile after wiping sweat off his forehead. "Two road courses ... would you believe that?"

NASCAR Hall of Famer Bill Elliott finished 20th after coming out of retirement to take his first ride Xfinity ride around Road America. The 62-year-old Elliott started 23rd, then climbed up to 17th before spinning out and falling back.

"It was a heck of a lot of fun," Elliott said.

The old-school driver would have loved the racing at the front of the field.

With three laps to go, second-place James Davison and third-place Justin Marks were jockeying for position trying desperately to catch Allgaier when their cars spun out around a tight left turn.

Tifft blew past Davison and Marks. But no one could catch Allgaier, who started 11th and was second to points leader Christopher Bell coming into the weekend.

Allgaier picked up another win on a road course following a victory two weeks ago at Mid-Ohio. Allgaier picked up his fourth victory overall this season.

It was an entertaining race for NASCAR during an off week for the top-level Cup circuit.

Most of the attention coming into the race fell on Road America rookies like Elliott. British racer Katherine Legge, who was driving in her second NASCAR race, finished 14th.

IndyCar driver Conor Daly, who was making his NASCAR debut, finished 31st. A suspension issue forced his No. 6 Ford into the garage after 35 laps.

NASCAR Xfinity

Johnsonville 180 Results

Saturday

At Road America

Elkhart Lake, Wis.

Lap length: 4.048 miles

(Start position in parentheses)

1. (11) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 49 laps, 0 rating, 49 pts.
2. (1) Matt Tifft, Chevrolet, 49, 0, 34.
3. (13) Daniel Hemric, Chevrolet, 49, 0, 44.
4. (2) Cole Custer, Ford, 49, 0, 41.
5. (17) Elliott Sadler, Chevrolet, 49, 0, 40.
6. (4) Justin Marks, Chevrolet, 49, 0, 42.
7. (10) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 49, 0, 32.
8. (3) James Davison, Toyota, 49, 0, 29.
9. (9) Brandon Jones, Toyota, 49, 0, 28.
10. (15) Andy Lally, Chevrolet, 49, 0, 27.
11. (16) Vinnie Miller, Chevrolet, 49, 0, 26.
12. (18) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, 49, 0, 25.
13. (14) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 49, 0, 24.
14. (23) Katherine Legge, Chevrolet, 49, 0, 23.
15. (21) Gerald Downing, Chevrolet, 49, 0, 22.
16. (27) Alex Labbe, Chevrolet, 49, 0, 21.
17. (22) Ryan Ellis, Chevrolet, 49, 0, 20.
18. (20) Brian Henderson, Chevrolet, 49, 0, 19.
19. (25) Joey Gase, Chevrolet, 48, 0, 18.
20. (24) Bill Elliott, Chevrolet, 48, 0, 17.
21. (26) Spencer Boyd, Chevrolet, 48, 0, 16.
22. (28) Chad Finchum, Chevrolet, 48, 0, 15.
23. (5) Christopher Bell, Toyota, 48, 0, 30.
24. (8) Brendan Gaughan, Chevrolet, 48, 0, 21.
25. (7) Ryan Truex, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 20.
26. (29) Ryan Sieg, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 11.
27. (30) Vinnie Miller, Chevrolet, 45, 0, 10.
28. (31) Ty Majeski, Ford, 45, 0, 9.
29. (34) Scott Heckert, Chevrolet, 44, 0, 8.
30. (33) Josh Bilicki, Toyota, accident, 35, 0, 7.
31. (12) Conor Daly, Ford, suspension, 35, 0, 6.
32. (32) Carl Long, Chevrolet, engine, 32, 0, 5.
33. (35) Stephen Leicht, Chevrolet, clutch, 25, 0, 4.
34. (36) Tyler Reddick, Chevrolet, rear gear, 25, 0, 3.
35. (38) Timmy Hill, Dodge, brakes, 24, 0, 2.
36. (37) David Starr, Chevrolet, engine, 17, 0, 1.
37. (6) Austin Cindric, Ford, engine, 15, 0, 1.
38. (24) James Francis, Toyota, brakes, 8, 0, 1.
39. (19) Ryan Reed, Ford, accident, 6, 0, 1.
40. (39) Jeff Green, Chevrolet, suspension, 2, 0, 1.

Race Statistics

Average Speed of Race Winner: 75.609 mph.

Time of Race: 2 hours, 22 minutes, 57 seconds.

Margin of Victory: 5.400 seconds.

Caution Flags: 7 for 11 laps.

Lead Changes: 10 among 7 drivers.

Lap Leaders: M.Tifft 1-10; B.Gaughan 11-12; A.Cindric 13-14; D.Hemric 15-21; J.Allgaier 22; B.Gaughan 23-28; M.Tifft 29-30; R.Sieg 31; J.Allgaier 32-37; J.Davison 38; J.Allgaier 39-49.

Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): J.Allgaier, 3 times for 11 laps; M.Tifft, 2 times for 11 laps; B.Gaughan, 2 times for 6 laps; D.Hemric, 1 time for 6 laps; A.Cindric, 1 time for 1 lap; J.Davison, 1 time for 0 laps; R.Sieg, 1 time for 0 laps.

Wins: J.Allgaier, 4; C.Bell, 3; T.Tifft, 1.

Top 10 in Points: 1. C.Bell, 810; 2. J.Allgaier, 800; 3. E.Sadler, 699; 4. C.Custer, 692; 5. D.Hemric, 672; 6. B.Jones, 666; 7. T.Tifft, 648; 8. R.Truex, 633; 9. M.Tifft, 604; 10. A.Cindric, 548.

NASCAR Driver Rating Formula

A maximum of 150 points can be attained in a race.

The formula combines the following categories: Wins, Finishes, Top-15 Finishes, Average Running Position While on Lead Lap, Average Speed While Green, Fastest Lap, Led Most Laps, Lead Lap Finish.

Offensive line woes continue to pile up for Cowboys with latest setbacks

By Clarence E. Hill Jr.
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

FRISCO — Four of the Cowboys' five starting offensive linemen are dealing with injuries.

Left tackle Tyron Smith missed the last two days of practice while nursing a sore hamstring and right tackle La'el Collins was out Friday with a calf contusion and an illness.

Right guard Zack Martin is out until the start of the regular season with a hyper-extended knee and center Travis Frederick is out indefinitely with Guillain-Barre syndrome.

If there was ever any question about quarterback Dak Prescott and running back Ezekiel Elliott playing in Sunday's preseason game against the Arizona Cardinals, that answers it.

Coach Jason Garrett said no official decision has been made. But owner Jerry Jones was pretty definitive about sitting Prescott and not risking his quarterback to injury. Elliott did not play in the first two preseason games and the Cowboys have long taken a minimalist approach to his reps in the preseason.

"There's a good chance," Jones said of Prescott sitting on his radio show on 105.3 the Fan Friday. "I don't think we've completely decided yet, and that is Jason's (Garrett) call by the way. But I think we'll be pretty conservative here."

The Cowboys don't believe there is any need to use the game to get extra reps with Prescott and center Joe Looney, who is filling in for the Frederick.

Garrett said the team will get enough in practice and Prescott said the two have good chemistry from his rookie season when he played behind Tony Romo in OTAs and minicamp before being named the starter.

The big concern remains the team's ability to handle adversity up front, considering Smith's absence last year proved to be the impetus of a three-game losing streak that derailed the season into a 9-7 finish and out of the playoffs.

It started with a loss to Atlanta when the Cowboys allowed a total of eight sacks, including four by Chaz Green, who replaced Smith in the game.

The Cowboys worked all offseason to improve their depth up front, signing tackle Cam Fleming and guard/center Marcus Martin in free agency.

Martin got hurt in training camp and now Frederick is out indefinitely.

Jones believes the Cowboys are better equipped to handle adversity this year because of changes made on the coaching staff that will allow them to adjust. He said that Atlanta experience is "gone with the wind."

"You do lose people ... you're supposed to make adjustments, we didn't adjust," Jones said of last season. "That really, really was a focal point of our offseason. Just to remember ... We don't want to have another Atlanta happen to us. 'The Burning of Atlanta.' That was called 'the Burning of Atlanta.' Gone with the wind."

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Los Angeles Rams defensive back Sam Shields (37) intercepts a pass intended for Houston Texans wide receiver Sammie Coates (18) on Saturday during the first quarter at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum in Los Angeles.

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preseason, raising some concern about the Rams' backup situation behind Jared Goff.

For the third consecutive game, the Rams didn't play Goff, Todd Gurley, four starting offensive linemen, tight end Tyler Higbee and top receivers Brandin Cooks, Robert Woods and Cooper Kupp. Coach Sean McVay has all but ensured Los Angeles' key offensive skill players will skip the entire preseason, keeping the wraps on the team that led the NFL in scoring last season.

McVay used his entire starting defense except linebacker Mark Barron, but only for about two series. Suh managed to hit Watson as the quarterback uncorked a long throw that was intercepted by Lamarcus Joyner on the Texans' second series.

Watson finished 3 of 6 for 15 yards.

Sam's stops

Sam Shields made an interception in the veteran cornerback's next huge step in his comeback from multiple concussions. Shields missed most of the past two seasons and was dropped by the Green Bay Packers during his laborious return from at least four recorded concussions. He picked off Weeden's pass late in the first quarter and returned it 13 yards before celebrating on the sideline with teammates who understood the importance of the moment.

Anthem update

There were no apparent protests during the national anthem.

Injuries

Texans: WR Will Fuller sat out with a minor hamstring injury. ... LB Ben Heeney left the field on a cart during the first half. Houston didn't immediately provide an update on his condition. He has been fighting injuries in training camp.

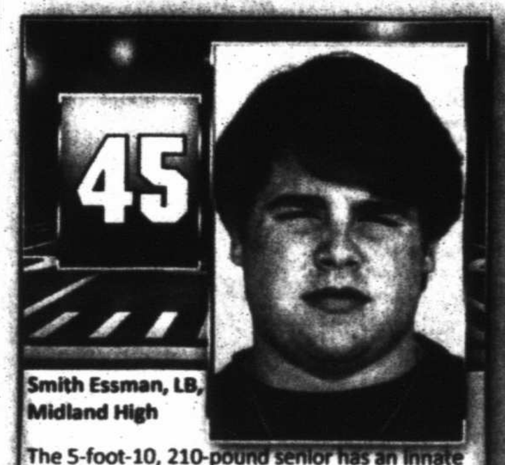
Rams: DL Ethan Westbrooks had a strong first half before getting shaken up on a play shortly before halftime. He went to the locker room early. ... LB Matt Longacre completed his long comeback from injury by starting for Los Angeles. He hurt his back late last season and then struggled with a biceps injury in training camp.

Up next

Texans: Finish the preseason at home against the Dallas Cowboys on Thursday.

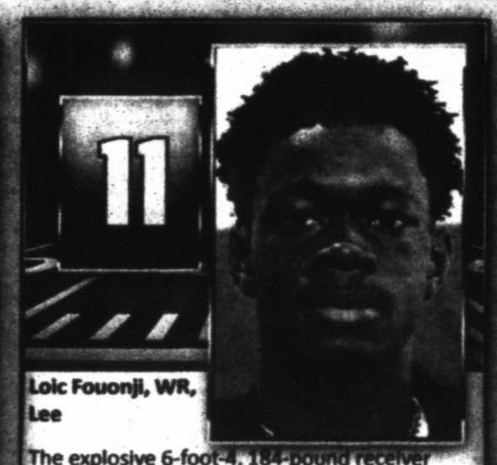
Rams: Finish the preseason at the New Orleans Saints on Thursday.

MRT's Preseason Top 12 Players To Watch in 2018



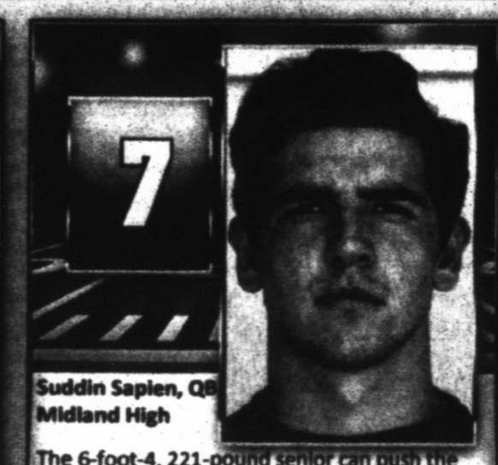
Smith Essman, LB, Midland High

The 5-foot-10, 210-pound senior has an innate ability to tackle. Essman tallied 106 tackles as a sophomore and followed that up with 134 stops and 14 tackles for loss last year. Essman's signature performance was a 29-tackle performance in a win against Amarillo Tascosa in 2017.



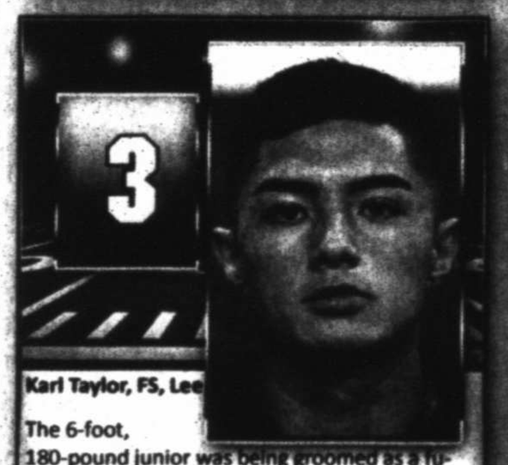
Loic Fouonji, WR, Lee

The explosive 6-foot-4, 184-pound receiver burst on the scene last year by torching defenses for big plays and wound up leading the team with an eye-popping 22.6 yards per catch average and five TDs. The Cameroon native has offers from Arkansas, Kansas, SMU, Texas A&M and Texas Tech.



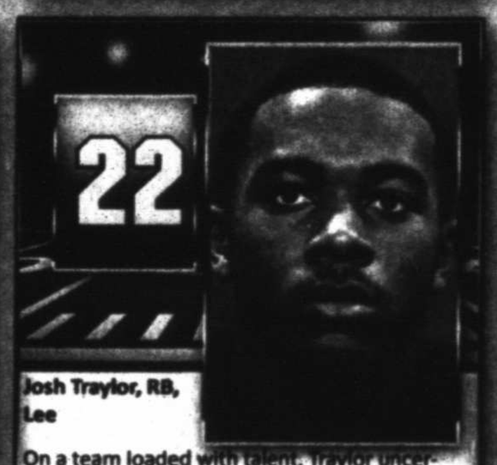
Suddin Sapien, QB Midland High

The 6-foot-4, 221-pound senior can push the ball downfield with his strong arm and beat teams with his mobility and physical running style. NCAA Division I football programs have taken notice, as Sapien verbally committed to U.T.-San Antonio this past summer.



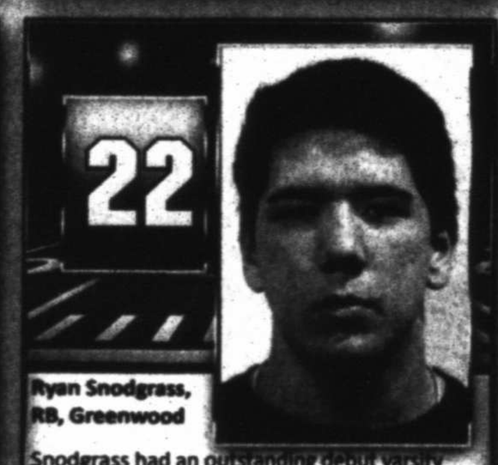
Karl Taylor, FS, Lee

The 6-foot, 180-pound junior was being groomed as a future Lee varsity quarterback, but an eagerness to play led to a position change as a sophomore and he ran with the opportunity. Taylor wound up finishing second on the team with 92 tackles and he's just beginning to tap into his talent.



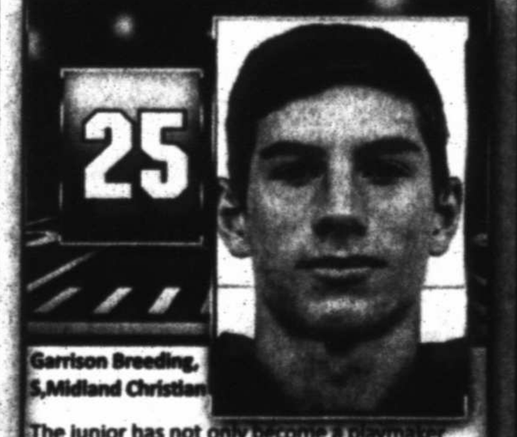
Josh Traylor, RB, Lee

On a team loaded with talent, Traylor unceremoniously rushed for 1,443 yards, 18 TDs and averaged 9.6 yards per carry in 2017. It was certainly a great follow up to his 2016 sophomore season when he claimed District 2-6A Newcomer of the Year honors. He will be back in the spotlight this year as Lee's primary offensive weapon.



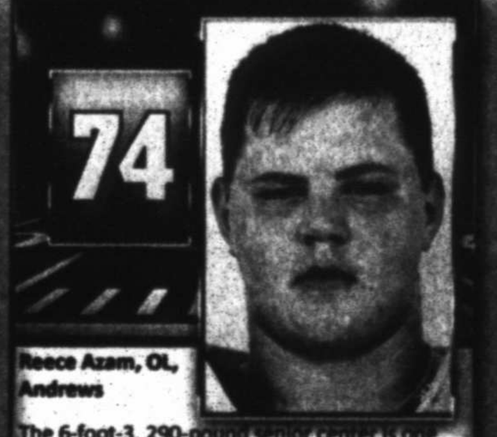
Ryan Snodgrass, RB, Greenwood

Snodgrass had an outstanding debut varsity season for the Rangers as he was a standout at both running back and linebacker en route to earning District 2-4A Division II Newcomer of the Year as a sophomore. At running back, he finished with 1,222 yards and 11 touchdowns on 145 carries.



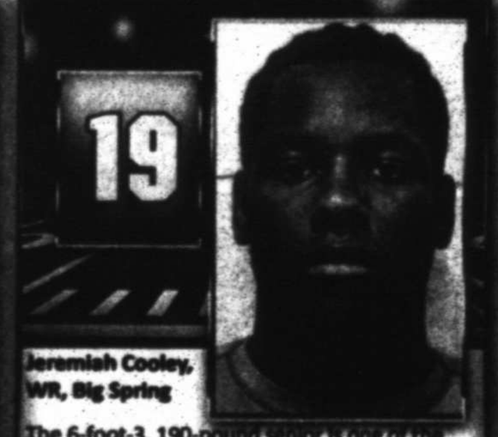
Garrison Breeding, S,Midland Christian

The junior has not only become a playmaker for the Mustangs but also a leader on both sides of the ball. Defensively, Breeding likes to hit and is coming off a second team all-state season with 70 tackles, three tackles for loss, three fumble recoveries and an interception.



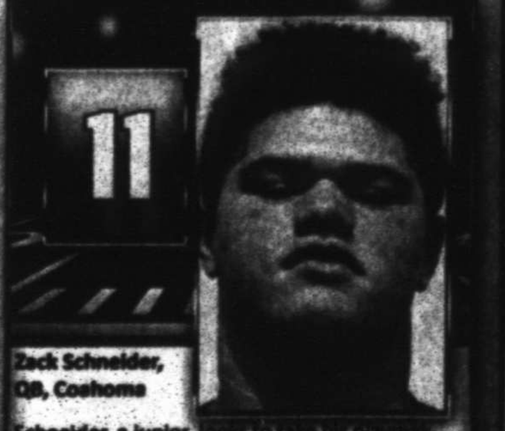
Reece Azam, OL, Andrews

The 6-foot-3. 290-pound senior center is one of the best linemen in the Permian Basin. The Air Force Academy commit graded out at 90 percent last year and had 33 pancake blocks. He is expected to lead a good offensive line for Andrews.



Jeremiah Cooley, WR, Big Spring

The 6-foot-3, 190-pound senior is one of the best athletes to come through Big Spring in recent years and he will counted to make plays on both sides of the ball. At receiver he can make spectacular grabs and be a big target for whoever is playing quarterback for the Steers.

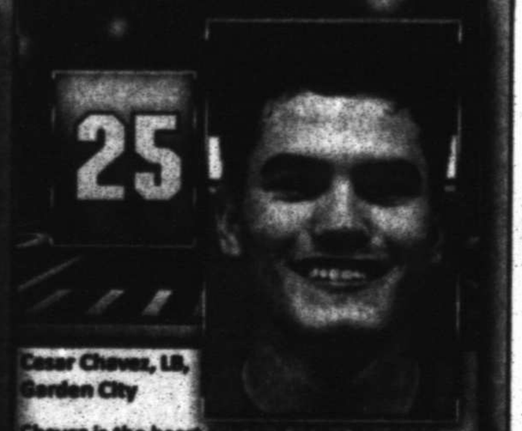


Zack Schneider, QB, Coahoma

Schneider, a junior, looks to take his playmaking abilities to starting quarterback this season under first-year coach Chris Joslin. Last year, Schneider rushed for 1,059 yards and 13 TDs as the team's primary running back.

Kobe Richardson, QB, Forsan

Richardson makes the move from starting wide receiver to starting quarterback and it should be a smooth transition for Richardson, who was the backup last year and was a starting QB throughout junior high. Richardson is also athletic enough to make plays running with the football.



Caesar Chavez, LB, Gardan City

Chavez is the heart and soul of the Bearkats defense. As a junior on a team that made it to the Class 1A Division I state quarterfinals, he earned second team all-state honors after amassing 148 tackles, seven tackles for loss and four interceptions.

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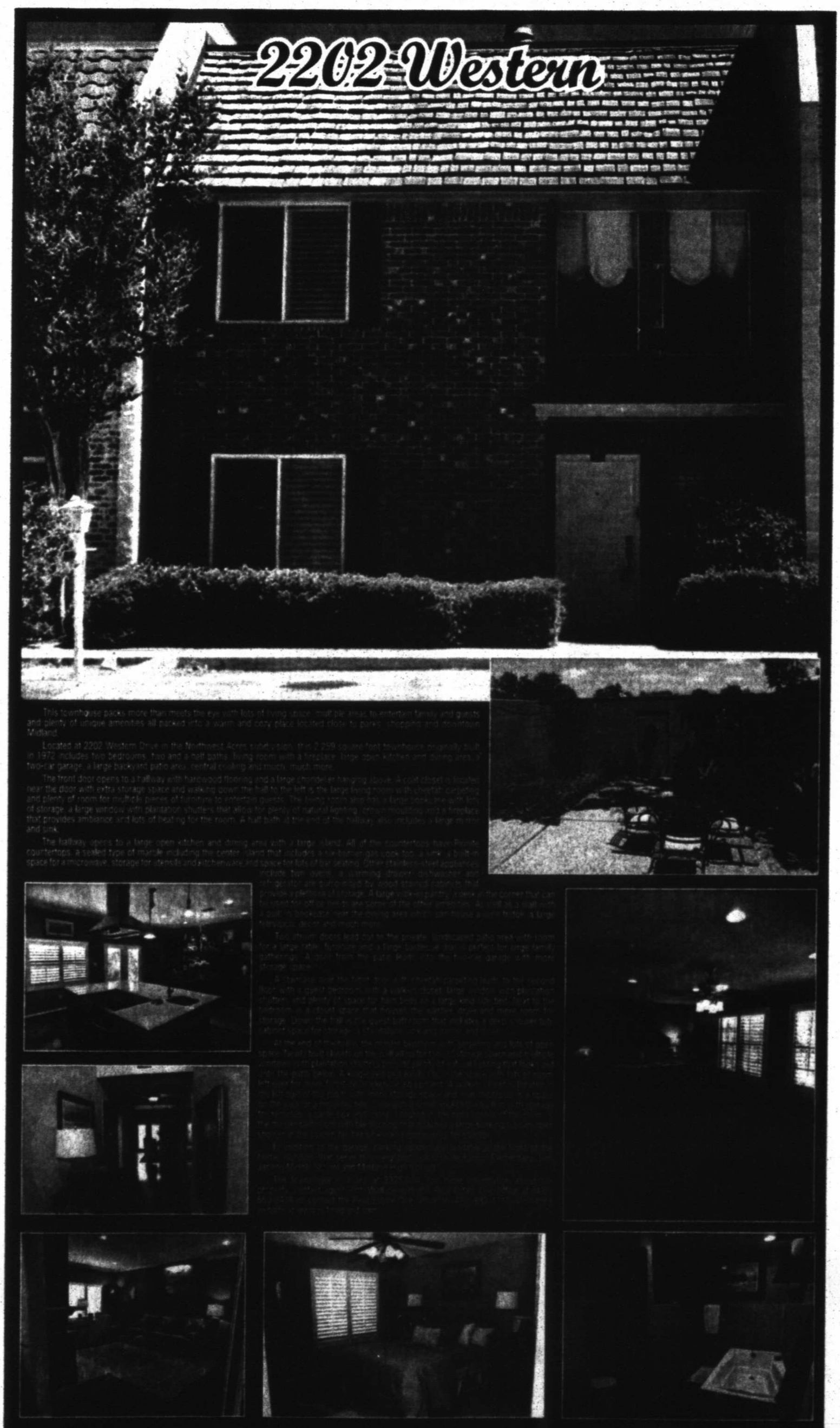

This townhouse packs more than meets the eye with lots of living space, multiple areas to entertain family and guests and plenty of unique amenities all packed into a warm and cozy place located close to parks, shopping and downtown Midland.

Located at 2202 Western Drive in the Northwest Acres subdivision, this 2,259 square foot townhouse originally built in 1972 includes two bedrooms, two and a half baths, living room with a fireplace, large open kitchen and dining area, a two-car garage, a large backyard patio area, central cooling and much, much more.

The front door opens to a hallway with hardwood flooring and a large chandelier hanging above. A coat closet is located near the door with extra storage space and walking down the hall to the left is the large living room with plenty of lighting and plenty of room for multiple pieces of furniture to entertain guests. The living room also has a large bonus area with lots of storage, a large window with plantation shutters that allows for plenty of natural lighting, carpet installation and a fireplace that provides ambiance and lots of heating for the room. A half bath, at the end of the hallway, also includes a large mirror and sink.

The hallway opens to a large, open kitchen and dining area with a large island. All of the countertops have granite countertops, a sealed type of marble including the center island that includes a six burner gas cook top, a sink, a built-in space for a microwave, storage for utensils and kitchenware and space for lots of bar seating. Other stainless steel appliances include, but are not limited to, a dishwasher, refrigerator, oven and microwave. Custom cabinetry throughout the kitchen provide a plethora of storage. A large walk-in pantry, in one of the corners that can [illegible]

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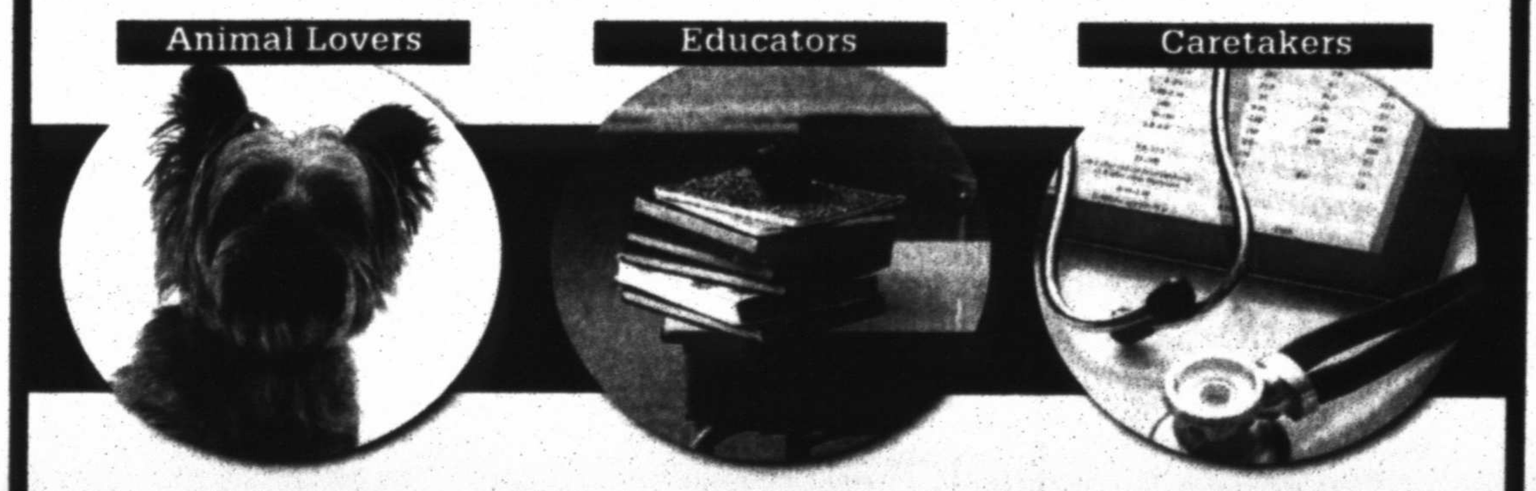

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Digital Media Account Executive

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The Midland Reporter-Telegram, part of Hearst Communications, is excited to announce that due to our continued growth in the Midland, TX market, we are seeking a Digital Media Account Executive just like you to join our team! Our industry is changing into a digital world, and we are looking for experienced professionals who are eager to facilitate our innovative efforts.

Join Midland's leading media company and become part of the winning sales team that offers advertisers a robust suite of digital and print products to help them achieve their business objectives. We are seeking digital savvy, highly motivated sales professionals to sell our marketing solutions to local businesses. Our ideal candidate will be goal oriented, is a relentless hunter, driving to win new businesses, and has a track record of exceeding monthly goals.

As a Digital Media Account Executive, you can expect the following:
- Drive digital product sales.
- Be the Digital Media Guru with a solid understanding of Digital Media, Marketing and Advertising.
- Ability to conduct sales calls with SMB owners.
- Be in the field and on sales calls, leading by example, to sell our various digital products using the current and evolving sales process.
- Consult and educate clients in Digital Advertising and Marketing.
- Assist sales and marketing in promoting the entire line of digital products.
- Develop coaching plans and track results through sales management team.
- Identify trends, quantify impact, and communicate improvement opportunities to the product team
- Primary source of sales pitch and strategy development and implementation for digital products.

Requirements:
- Highly knowledgeable with digital media, SEO, SEM, Digital Advertising.
- Confidence in pitching and closing business.
- Strong focus on teamwork and ability to manage relationships across multiple departments
- Ability to multi-task, meet deadlines, and thrive in a fast-paced, deadline-oriented environment
- Bachelor's Degree preferred
- Valid US driver's license and reliable transportation.

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Reports to VP of Advertising

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Key Responsibilities

- Super User for all digital services and platforms. Key contact with vendors of each digital asset
- Consistently meets/exceeds individual and the market's overall digital revenue targets
- Demonstrates expert knowledge and understanding of all MRT Media sales and marketing assets, including all digital products and digital marketing services and able to transfer the knowledge to clients and the MMSE's they support
- Follows MRT Media's prescribed best practices on Pipeline Management and Gap Analysis and completes all required sales process activities
- Builds monthly reports to show digital activity on MRT.com and eEditions of the newspaper
- Drives customer retention through excellent customer service
- Develops new business by understanding customer needs and selling products and services that provide value to the customer individually and in team support
- Effectively communicates with management to provide accurate revenue forecasts
- Spends significant time with MMSEs visiting customers in the field with the purpose of deepening account relationships, uncovering revenue opportunities and driving revenue
- Works in tandem with the Management team to identify revenue opportunities and in market support
- Help drive consultative, customer-centric selling behaviors
- Develops a strong sales plan with team and assists in the achievement of KPIs and digital revenue goals
- Assist the sales team in achieving their goals in both digital, print and specialty publications.
- Train new sales reps on ordering system and report generation
- Other responsibilities as assigned

Position Requirements
- Digital Sales Experience preferred, or equivalent work experience in media-related business
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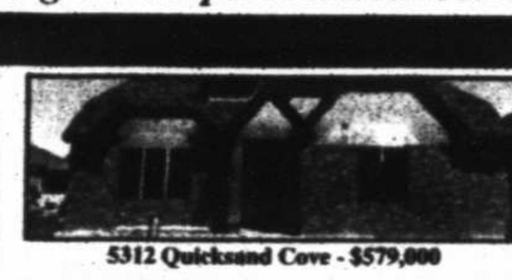
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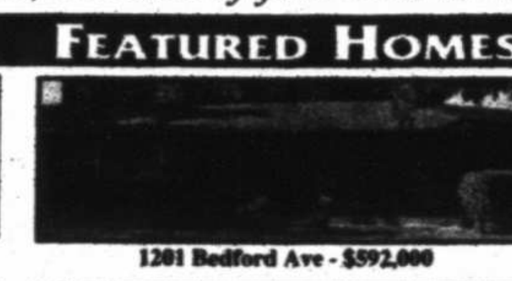
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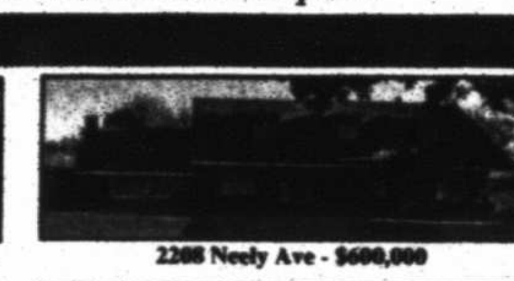
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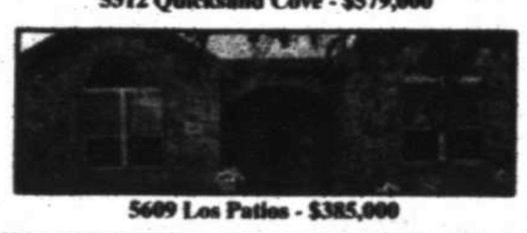
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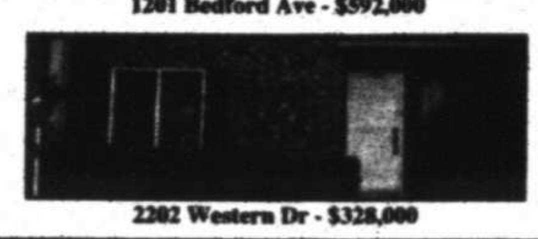
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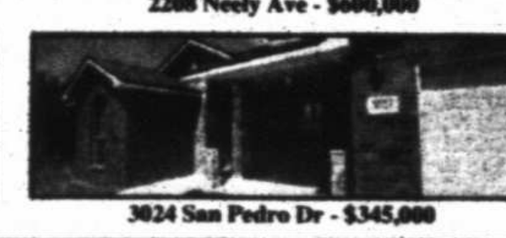
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Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF DONALD EDWARD BABB, DECEASED:

Notice is hereby given that on August 23, 2018 Letters of Administration were issued to Bea Lea Somerville as Independent Administratrix in proceedings in the County Court at Law of Midland County, Texas, in Probate, styled "In the Matter of the Estate of Donald Edward Babb, Deceased," being No. P 19560 in that Court, and which proceedings are still pending. All persons having claims against the Estate are hereby required to present the same to Bea Lea Somerville, in care of A.M. Nunley III, P.O. Box 511, Midland, TX 79702, within the time prescribed by law.

DATED: August 23, 2018.

Bea Lea Somerville,
Independent Administratrix of the Estate of
Donald Edward Babb, Deceased

Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Alford R. Snider, Deceased, were issued on August 21, 2018, in Cause No. P-19500, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to James Avery Snider, whose address is 5108 South Colorado Street, Monahans, Texas 79756 and Margaret Ann Allen, whose address is 3527 Humble Avenue, Midland, Texas 79707, Co-Independent Executors.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being adminis-tered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law, in care of the Executor

DATED the 22nd day of August, 2018.

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ATTORNEYS FOR INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR

Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE TO PATIENTS

To The Patients of Texas Tech Physicians of the Permian Basin School of Medicine, Department of Surgery

Effective September 1,2018, the following physicians will no longer be affiliated with Texas Tech Physicians of the Permian Basin; and thus will no longer be providing patient care through the department of surgery:

Dr. Clyde Ellis
Dr. Valerie Bauer
Dr. Melinda Banister
Dr. T.M. Hughes

All post-operative evaluations and follow-up care will be provided by other department physicians. Alternatively, all patients will have the opportunity to obtain a copy of medical records or have them transferred by request from the clinic office at:

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TO: Mohsin Mazhar Syed, M.D.
P. O. Box 9753
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Midland, TX 79708

The State Medical Board of Ohio
30 E. Broad Street, 3rd Floor
Columbus, OH 43215-6127

In the Matter of:
Mohsin Mazhar Syed, M.D.
Case No. 18-CRF-0066

On June 13, 2018, the Ohio Medical Board mailed a Notice of Automatic Suspension and Opportunity for Hearing to Mohsin Mazhar Syed, M.D., via certified mail, return receipt requested, at his last known address of record, P. O. Box 9753, 4506 Briarwood Avenue, Midland, TX 79708. The Notice was returned to the Board from the postal service marked "Return to Sender. Attempted Not Known". A copy of the Notice is available on the Board's website at www.elicense.ohio.gov.

The notice states that the Ohio Medical Board intends to consider disciplinary action against Dr. Syed's certificate to practice medicine and surgery in Ohio based on his conviction and guilty plea in the District Court of the 238th Judicial District in Midland County, Texas. The foregoing would constitute a violation of Section 4731.22 (B)(9), Ohio Revised Code.

Dr. Syed is entitled to a hearing in this matter if such hearing is requested within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice. Dr. Syed may appear at such hearing in person, by his attorney, or by such other representative permitted to practice before this agency, or he may present his position, arguments or contentions in writing. At the hearing, Dr. Syed may present evidence and examine witnesses appearing for or against him. Please contact the undersigned to ascertain the last date of publication.

Any questions or correspondence should be addressed to:

Jackie Moore
Case Control Office
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The Bottom Line

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

REAL PROPERTY

BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF EXECUTION ISSUED OUT OF THE COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO.2 OF MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS, IN A CERTAIN CAUSE NUMBERED CC19475, ON THE 1sT DAY OF NOVEMBER 2017, STYLED: MARTIN COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL, LLC VS RH TRUCKING LLC, ADELAIDA HUITRON AND RICARDO HUITRON, TO ME, AS SHERIFF GARY PAINTER DIRECTED AND DELIVERED. I HAVE LEVIED UPON THIS 24TH DAY OF JULY, 2018 AND WILL BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 10:00 AM AND 4:00PM AT APPROXIMATELY 10:00 AM ON THE FIRST TUESDAY IN SEPTEMBER, 2018, IT BEING THE 4TH DAY OF SAID MONTH, SEPTEMBER 4, 2018, AT MIDLAND COUNTY COURTHOUSE OF MIDLAND, COUNTY, PROCEED TO SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, FOR CASH IN HAND, ALL RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST, IF ANY, WHICH THE DEFENDANT RH TRUCKING, LLC, ADELAIDA HUITRON AND RICARDO HUITRON, HAD ON THE 4TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2018, OR AT ANY TIME THEREAFTER, OF IN AND TO THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY:

E/2, SEC: 9, BLK: 39-T2S, ABST: 62, 5.182 ACRES
MCAD: PROPERTY ID R000005230
PROPERTY ADDRESS: 3018 SOUTH COUNTY ROAD 1200, MIDLAND, TX. 79706

SAID PROPERTY IS LEVIED ON AS PROPERTY OF RH TRUCKING, ADELAIDA HUITRON AND RICARDO HUITRON AND WILL BE SOLD TO SATISFY THE JUDGMENT, INTEREST, COURT COSTS, FEES AND OTHER COSTS OF SUIT.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND ON THIS THE 8TH DAY OF AUGUST 2018.

GARY PAINTER SHERIFF
MIDLAND, COUNTY, TEXAS

BY INV JOHN MAYNARD

Legal and Public Notices

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REAL PROPERTY

By virtue of Order of Sale issued out of the 385th Judicial District Court of Midland County, Texas, in certain cause numbered CV53730, On the 3rd day of May, 2018, Styled R.D. Todd Real Estate, LLC d/b/a Todd Realty, LLC vs RWI Construction, Inc. v. Lone Star Opportunities Fund V, LP.

WHEREAS, R.D. Todd Real Estate, LLC is the owner of a Final Judgment entered against RWI Construction, Inc. ("RWI") in the 5th Judicial District Court of lea County, New Mexico, Cause No. D-506-CV-2016-00440, styled R.D. Todd Realty, LLC v. RWI Construction, Inc. v. Ronny Dee Todd & Fehr's Industrial Manufacturing, LLC d/b/a FIM Cranes and Service (the "Judgment"), in the principal amount of $392,000.00, plus reasonable attorney's fees and expenses in the amount of $57,747.39, plus costs of court, plus, post-judgment interest at a rate of 15% per annum on all amounts awarded from July 17, 2017 until the Judgment is paid in full. As of May 3, 2018, the amount of $503,312.30 is owed on the Judgment, including principal, attorney's fees awarded, and interest. Interest continues to accrue at $184.82 per diem on all amounts awarded until the Judgment is paid in full.

WHEREAS, on or about August 25, 2017, R.D. Todd Real Estate, LLC domesticated the Judgment by filing an authenticated copy of the Judgment and supporting affidavit with this Court in Cause No. CV53730, now styled R.D. Todd Real Estate, LLC d/b/a R.D. Todd Realty, LLC v. RWI Construction, Inc. v. Lone Star Opportunities Fund V, LP.

WHEREAS, on or about September 18, 2017, the Judgment was abstracted and recorded in the Midland County real property records as Instrument No. 2017-27432, thereby creating a judgment lien ("Judgment Lien") on all non-exempt property RWI Construction, Inc. owns in Midland County, Texas, including against the real property commonly known as 10700 State Highway 191, Midland, Texas 79707.

WHEREAS, on May 3, 2018, R.D. Todd Real Estate, LLC recovered a Final Summary Judgment against RWI Construction, Inc. and intervenor Lone Star Opportunities Fund V, LP ("Lone Star"), in Cause No. CV53730, styled R. D. Todd Real Estate, LLC d/b/a R.D. Todd Realty, LLC v. RWI Construction, Inc. v. Lone Star Opportunities Fund V, LP, in the 385th Judicial District Court, Midland County, Texas, for the foreclosure of R.D. Todd Real Estate, LLC's Judgment lien on the Property; plus post-judgment interest on all amounts previously awarded ($392,000.00 plus $57,747.39 in reasonable and necessary attorneys' fees) at 15% per annum ($184.82 per diem) from the date of Judgment until paid in full; plus additional reasonable and necessary, equitable and just, attorney's fees and expenses relating to the Final Summary Judgment in the amount of $49,552.00; plus post-judgment interest on new attorney's fees awarded at 5% per annum ($6.78 per diem) from the date of the Final Summary Judgment until paid in full; plus all costs of court which total $288.00; plus an order that an order of sale shall issue to any Sheriff or Constable directing him/her to seize and sell the Property as under execution in satisfaction of the Judgment entered in Cause No. D-506-CV-2016-00440 (and domesticated in this action) against RWI Construction, Inc.

To me, as Sheriff Gary Painter directed and delivered. I have levied upon this 8th day August 2018 and will between the hours of 10:00 am and 4:00 pm at approximately 10:00 am on the first Tuesday in September, 2018, it being the 4th day of said month, September 4, 2018, at the Midland County Courthouse of Midland County, proceed to sell at public Auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all right, title and interest, if any, which the Defendant RWI Construction Inc. had on the 4th day of September, 2018 or at any time thereafter, of in and to the following described property:

BEGINNING at *reinf* rod found for the southeast corner of said 11.36-acre tract of land and in the southwest corner of a 60 foot right of way dedicated to the public in Volume 4142, Page 183, Official Public Records of Midland County, Texas and in the south right of way line of State Highway 191 from which the southeast corner of Section 31, Block 40, T-4-S, T&P RR Co. Survey, Midland County, Texas bears N 75° 18' 28" E. a distance of 1239.55 feet, S 14° 06' 30" E for a distance of 209.01 feet;

THENCE, S 75° 18' 28" W with the north right of way line of State Highway 191 for a distance of 399.04 feet to a *reinf* rod set for the southwest corner;

THENCE, N 00° 22- 23" W departing the north right of way line of State Highway 191 for a distance of 391.37 feet to a *reinf* rod set for corner;

THENCE, N 16° 23' 29" W for a distance of 325.43 feet to a *reinf* rod set for the northwest corner and in the south right of way line of a 50-foot private road;

THENCE, N 75° 18' 05" E with the south right of way line of a 50 foot private road for a distance of 192.68 feet to a *reinf* rod set for the northeast corner and in the northwest corner of and in the southwest corner of a 60 foot right of way dedicated to the public in Volume 4142, Page 183, Official Public Records of Midland County, Texas;

THENCE, S 14° 07' 48" E with the southwest corner of a 60 foot right of way dedicated to the public in Volume 4142, Page 183, Official Public Records of Midland County, Texas and being a common line with the east line of said 11.36 acre tract of land for a distance of 705.71 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING and containing 128791 square feet or 2.88 acre of land. (the "Property")

Said property is Levied on as property of RWI Construction Inc. and will be sold to satisfy the Judgment, Interest, Court Cost, Fees and other costs of suit.

Given under my hand on this 8th day of August 2018.

GARY PAINTER SHERIFF
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Sale date is Thursday September 13, 2018 @ 10:20am.

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Notice on Sale of Personal Property to satisfy a landlords lien for CASH ONLY. Sale date is September 13, 2018.

Aztec Storage Center
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Midland TX 79703
Time 10:00am

#175 Jeff Roberts

Aztec Storage Center
1131 E 52nd Street
Odessa TX 79761
Time 11:00am

#O-38 Emily Gomez

HOUSEHOLD GOODS

Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Evanell Truszkowski, Deceased, were issued on August 21, 2018, in Cause No. P19548, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to: Ralph Truszkowski.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o. **Madison M. Rose**
Attorney at Law
300 N. Marienfeld Suite 700
MIDLAND, TX 79701

DATED the 21st day of August, 2018.

/s/ MADISON M. ROSE
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The State of Texas § **MATTHEW FLORES,** Applicant's Attorney
County of Midland § **24165 IH-10 WEST, SUITE 217 #2**
§ **SAN ANTONIO, TX 78257**

To all persons interested in the estate of

CLAYTON JAY SMITH, Deceased
Cause No. P19584
in COUNTY COURT, Midland County, Texas

The alleged heir(s) at law in the above-numbered and entitled estate filed an Application to Determine Heirship in this estate on 8/14/2018, requesting that the Court determine who are the heirs and only heirs of **CLAYTON JAY SMITH**, Deceased, and their respective shares and interests in such estate.

The court may act on this application at any call of the docket on or after 10:00 a.m. **9/27/2018**, which is the first Monday next after the expiration of 10 days from the date of posting this citation, at the Midland County Courthouse, 500 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas 7970:

All persons interested in this case are cited to appear before this Honorable Court **by filing a written contest or answer** to this Application should they desire to do so. To ensure its consideration, you or your attorney must file any objection, intervention, or response **in writing** with the County Clerk of Midland County, Texas on or before the above-noted date and time.

Given under by hand and seal of the COUNTY COURT of Midland County, Texas at the office of the Midland County Clerk in Midland, Texas on August 15th 2018.

Alison Haley
County Clerk, Midland County, Texas
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By: SHON BRENT, Deputy

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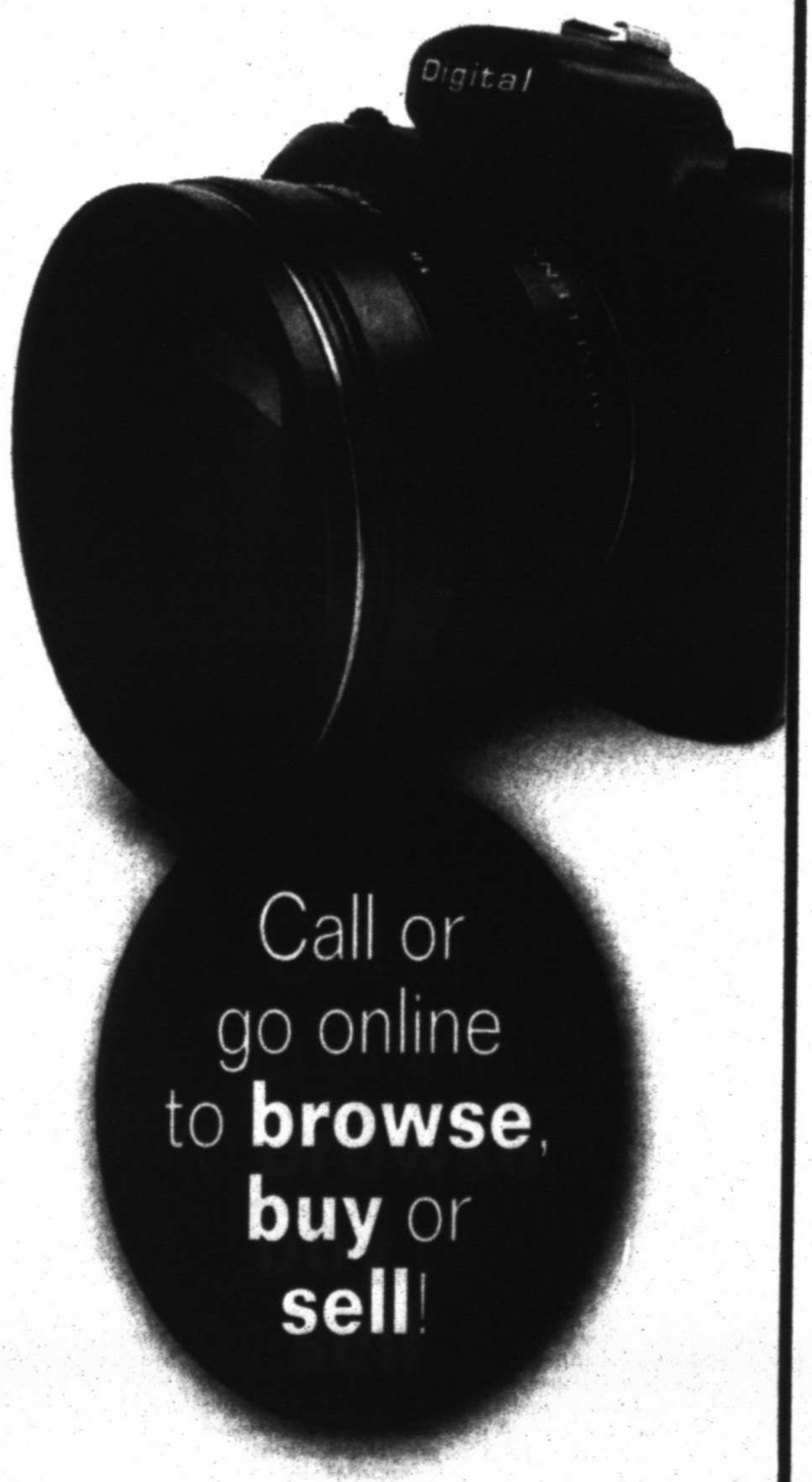

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It also is a smart idea to reach out to a local lawyer, especially if your position with the company is in jeopardy. It's up to you to be knowledgeable about your rights in specific workplace situations, and a legal professional will be able to point you in the right direction.

PROTECTED CLASSES

According to Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, employers are prohibited from discriminating in the hiring, promotion, discharge, pay, fringe benefits, job training, classification, referral and other aspects of employment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

This covers a broad spectrum of the American population, so workers should be confident in voicing their opinions if an employer is failing to live up to its end of the diversity bargain.

WORKERS WITH DISABILITIES

The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 protects qualified applicants and employees with disabilities from discrimination in hiring, promotion, discharge, pay, job training, fringe benefits, classification, referral and other aspects of employment on the basis of disability.

The law also requires that covered entities provide reasonable accommodations to those with disabilities. If you are disabled, be sure to raise any concerns you have about employer shortcomings in this area.

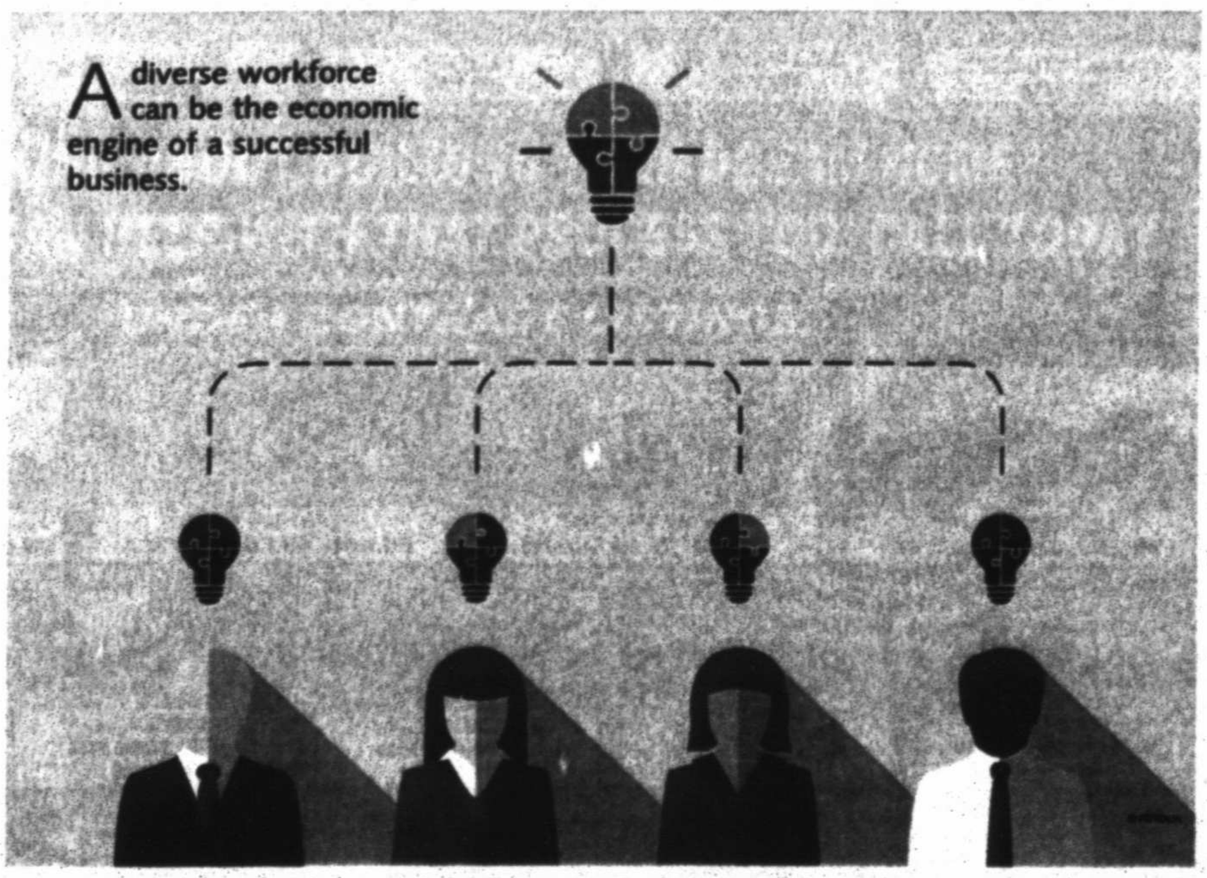
OTHER DISCRIMINATION

Another important discrimination-related law, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, protects applicants and employees 40 years of age or older from discrimination on the basis of age in hiring, promotion, discharge, compensation, terms, conditions or privileges of employment.

Sex discrimination is prohibited by Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Equal Pay Act of 1963. The latter prohibits sex discrimination in payment of wages to women and men performing substantially equal work in the same establishment.

DIVERSITY IN THE WORKPLACE | SMART BUSINESS

Benefits of Diversity



As more women, racial and ethnic minorities, and gay and transgender individuals enter the workforce, it is increasingly important that our employee bases are reflective of such overwhelming diversity.

Failing to do so can make an employer unattractive to top talent, which may stall its growth and limit its company's overall creativity. Conversely, mobilizing a diverse, enriched talent base can help a company stand apart from the competition and position itself for sustainable success.

MARKETING POWER

When you build a diverse staff of professionals, you are able to more effectively target diverse consumer bases. Take marketing for example. A marketing staff that is lacking in diversity may not understand buying behaviors or attitudes of multicultural audiences.

This can leave the company's marketing efforts stale and irrelevant to key demographics that may help take the business' revenue to the next level. More well-rounded, diverse marketing staff may be able to work together to create highly impactful messaging that is in line with that specific population's wants and needs.

TEAM RECRUITMENT

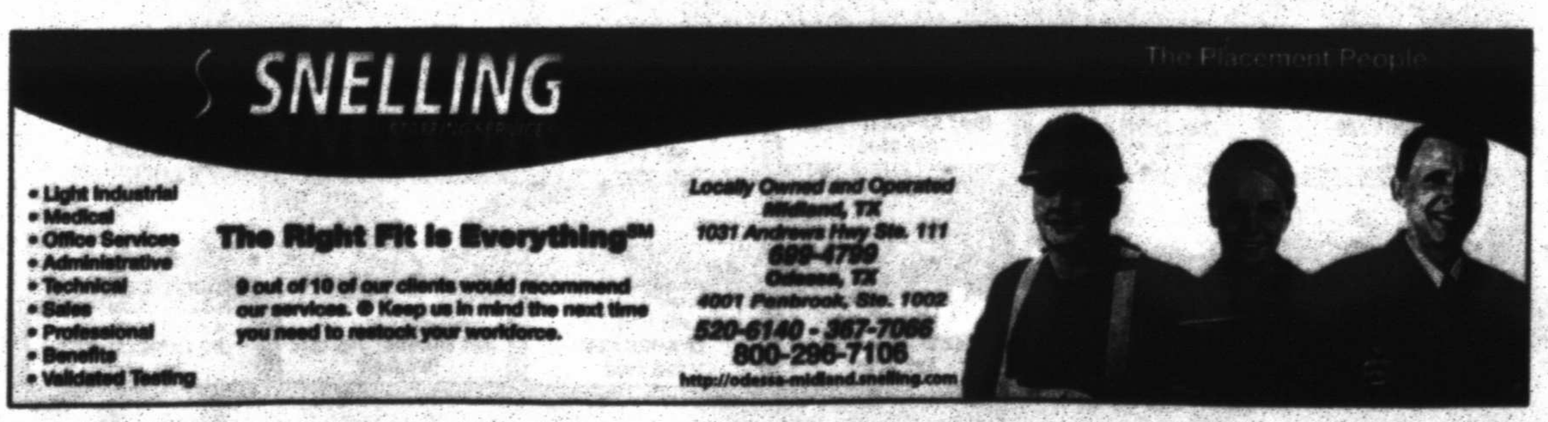
What kind of team do you want to be a part of? One that is vibrantly varied in cultural backgrounds and gender, or one that is lacking in diversity?

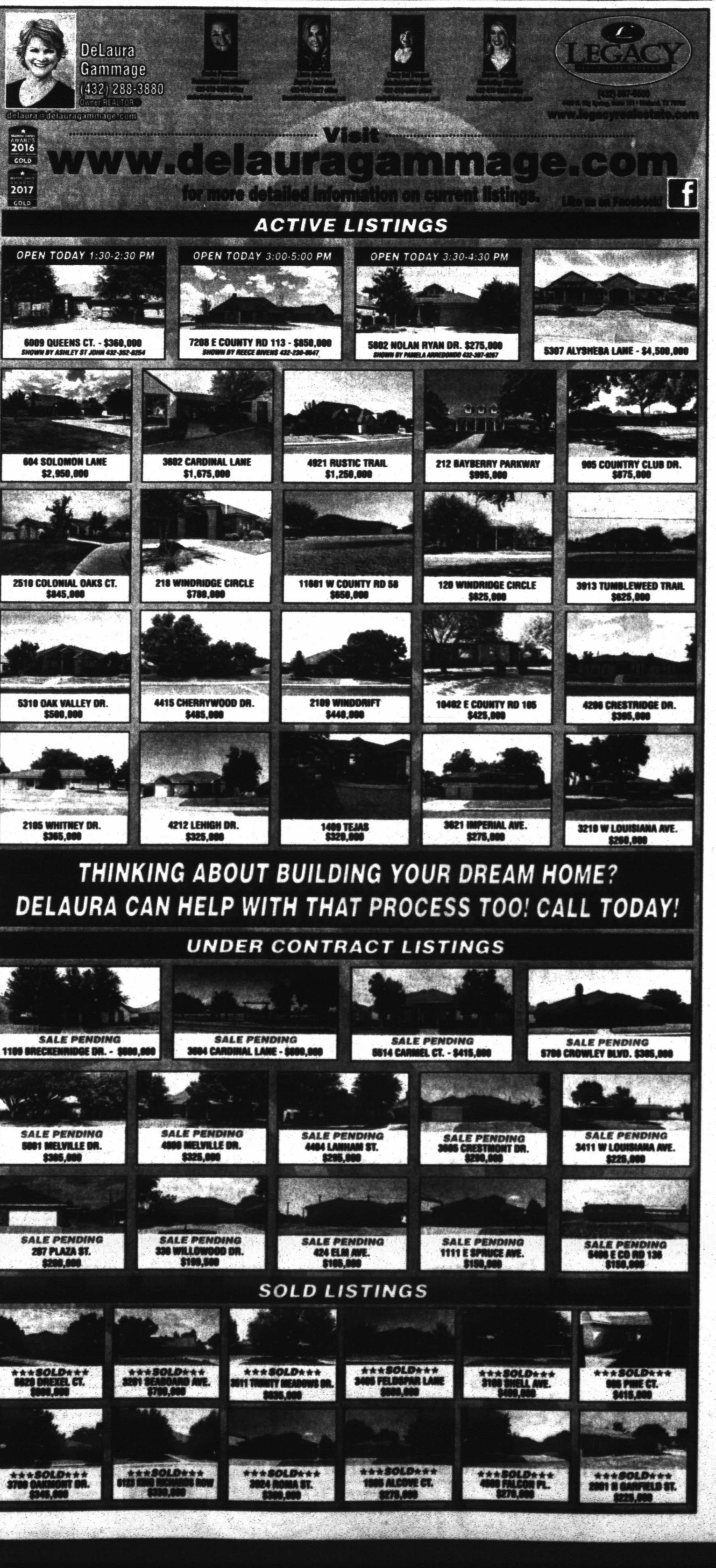
Do you want your company to be known as one that is inclusive for all races, religions and sexualities or one that is closed for business to these groups? Your answer can have a profound effect on your business' ability to recruit top-tier talent from across the world. Employees want to know that they have a chance for steady career growth based on their performance, not on where they come from or what they believe.

COST SAVINGS

A diverse and inclusive workforce not only helps businesses attract top talent but also is vital in them retaining it. Having a diverse and discrimination-free work environment helps businesses avoid costs associated with high turnover and constant hiring.

Businesses that fail to foster inclusive workplaces can see higher turnover rates than businesses that provide diverse workplace cultures. This failure to hold on to key professionals can have a snowball effect on all aspects of the business and customer relationships.

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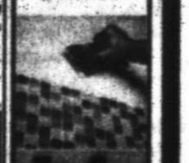

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The First American Homeownership Progress Index (HPRI) measures how a variety of lifestyle, societal, and economic factors influence homeownership rates over time at national, state and market levels. Nationally, potential homeownership demand represented by the HPRI increased 1.1 percent in 2017 compared with 2016, based on changes in the underlying lifestyle, societal and economic data. Factors that increased potential homeownership demand included income growth (+0.30 percent) and rising educational attainment (+0.13 percent), which reflects the influence of millennial behavior on homeownership. The declining unemployment rate also contributed to the rise in homeownership demand (+0.70 percent).

Potential homeownership demand increased from 2016 to 2017 in 46 of the 50 metropolitan areas tracked by First American, as demographic and economic trends in these cities raised the likelihood of homeownership. "Millennials' lifestyle and economic decisions are some of the main reasons we currently have a lower homeownership rate than expected, based on our HPRI," said Mark Fleming, chief economist at First American. "Yet, it is reasonable to expect homeownership rates to grow as millennials continue to make important decisions, including attaining an education and, later in life, getting married and buying a home."

Source: First American

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5 Home Updates to Make Before Fall

While August is still underway, September's cool winds are just around the corner. Below are a few home maintenance tips to smooth your transition from Summer to Fall.

Service your systems. Checking your furnace and changing your furnace filter before the cold creeps in will put you ahead of the game. Make an appointment with a professional to have your heating system tune up.

Freeze-proof your faucets. The mere mention of a busted water pipe is enough to make any homeowner cringe. The pipe that is most likely to freeze is your outdoor faucets for hoses and sprinklers. To avoid cold-weather damage, install a freeze-proof faucet and sleep soundly.

Weather-proof those windows. Solidly sealed windows will help control your home's temperature. When is the last time you checked your window's weathering? Before fall, weatherstrip and caulk your windows to keep the cold air out and the warm air in. As soon as the temperatures begin to drop, replace those breezy summer drapes with heavier versions to keep your living space cozy until spring.

Clear gutters. It's best to clear out your gutters at the change of every season. Before fall begins dropping its leaves, give your gutters a purge.

Sweep that chimney. Do you have a working fireplace? If so, it's best to have a professional chimney sweep come take a look to make sure you don't have any dangerous build up that could cause damage when you strike that first match come fall.

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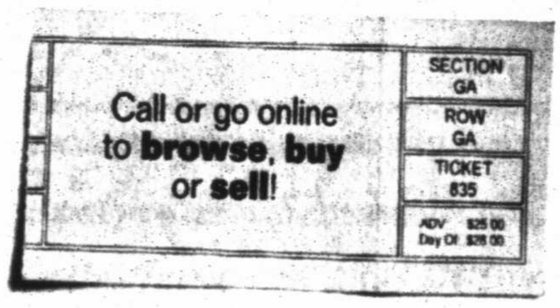

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RESIDENTIAL

1209 S. Fort Worth	4 Bdrm/2 Bath/2 Car Garage	$317,000
2305 Vernon Ave	3 Bdrm/2 Bath/2 Car Garage	$349,000
2309 Ingrahil Ave	4 Bdrm/3.5 Bath/2 Car Garage	$459,000
2309 Hamilton Court	3 Bdrm/2 Bath/2 Car Garage	SOLD
2402 Elgin Drive	3 Bdrm/2 Bath/2 Car Garage	$324,000
4209 Pebble Ridge	4 Bdrm/3.5 Bath/2 Car Garage	$375,000
2311 Colonial Oaks Court	4 Bdrm/4.5 Bath/3 Car Garage	$775,000

NEW CONSTRUCTION

1201 Rhett Dr	Midland Valley Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Bath/2 Car Garage	SOLD
2311 Torrey Vista	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/2 Bath/2 Car Garage	$399,000
2301 Torrey Vista	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3.5 Bath/2 Car Garage	SOLD
1205 Rhett Dr	Diamond Homes/4 Bdrm/3.5 Bath/2 Car Garage	SOLD
2111 Townsend Dr	4 Bdrm/3 Bath/2 Car Garage	$407,000
2115 Townsend Dr	Black Creek Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Bath/2 Car Garage	$408,000
1307 Cascade Dr	Rose Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Bath/2 Car Garage	SOLD
2307 Autumn Brook	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3.5 Bath/2 Car Garage	SOLD
1307 Gallant Dr	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Bath/2 Car Garage	$399,000
5109 Binney Cove	Ashington Homes/4 Bdrm/3.5 Bath/2 Car Garage	SOLD
5305 George Teel Dr	Ashington Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Bath/2 Car Garage	$345,000
7311 E. Co. Rd. 112	Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/4 Bath/2 Car Garage	$749,000
7317 E. CR. RD. 112	Alpha Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Bath/2 Car Garage	$549,000

COMMERCIAL/ACREAGE

2400 S.E. Co. Rd. 2004	Andrews/3 Bdrm/2 Bath/2 Acres	$175,000
7000 E. Co. Rd. 1105	4 Bdrm/3 Bath/2 Car Garage	SOLD
7000 E. Co. Rd. 90	4 Bdrm/3 Bath/Basement	$374,000
4700 E. Co. Rd. 140	3 Bdrm/2 Bath/2 Car Garage	SOLD
1400 W. Co. Rd. 125	4 Bdrm/3.5 Bath/2 Car Garage	SOLD
2000 E. Co. Rd. 1000	4 Bdrm/3 Bath/2 Car Garage	SOLD

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Tract 1 E. Co. Rd. 8 3004	Stanton/14.79 Acres	$148,000
1401 HWY 176	Big Spring/20 Acres	$200,000
0 Co. Rd. 8 4000	Stanton/322 Acres	$225,000

FEATURED PROPERTIES

3911 Colonial Oaks Court
4 bedrooms, 4.5 baths, 4 car garage, priced @ $775,000

3911 Townsend Drive
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 car garage, priced @ $407,000

3000 Tennessee Avenue
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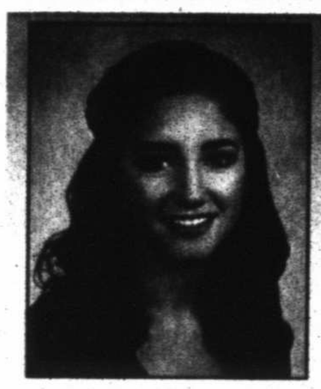

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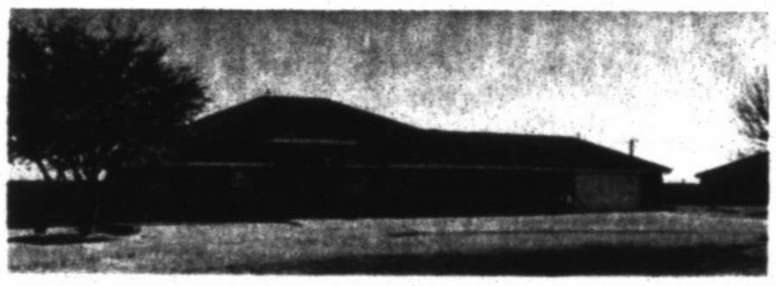
905 Country Club Dr. - $875,000

MLS# R50016478A. Spectacular home in Old Midland with pool! 6 Bedrooms! Beautiful open floor plan in living area & formal dining, double sided fireplace! Wet bar! Stunning modern design with cork flooring in kitchen, marble counter tops & tons of counter space! Sun-room wall of windows from floor to ceiling that offers amazing view of backyard! Spacious master suite has vanity area, separate closets & access to backyard!



11601 W County Rd 58 - 675,000

MLS#R50016312A. *Be prepared to be impressed! The ultimate family home perfect for entertaining + equipped for animals! All in one property! Gorgeous home is updated with amazing granite & wood flooring! Office + bonus room/man cave! Sparkling pool with waterfall! Great outdoor cooking kitchen under large patio! Fully equipped guest house! Stalls, barn, fencing for horses, goats, donkey***

3913 Tumbleweed Trail - $625,000

MLS# R50016491A. Beautiful 4 bedroom home nestled in country estates still close enough to town! Amazing iron front door with brick entry inside! Open floor plan allows abundance of sunlight through! Spacious living area offers gas log fireplace surrounded by beautiful german smear brick & rock! Huge master suite offers wrap around closet, separate walk in shower/tub & double vanities! Great bedrooms! 50X80 workshop! Shed!

10402 E County Rd 105 - $425,000

MLS# R50016024A. Beautiful 4 bed 2 bath with open kitchen & living area! Wood burning fire place! Tray ceilings throughout living & master suite! Spacious master offers jetted tub, walk in shower & double sinks in vanity! Other bedrooms on opposite side of house! Cute office space located between bedrooms! 4Th bedroom could be 2nd living/gameroom! Huge backyard! Nice 24x30 insulated shop****ask about buyers incentive****

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Shown by Reese Sloan

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2707 Calders Dr. - $360,000
3BR/2BA
Listed & Shown by Skye Forte

OPEN 1:30-2:30
2305 Bellechasse - $349,000
3BR/2BA
Listed by Mark Fiddler

OPEN 1:30-2:30
6217 Green Tree Blvd. - $379,000
3BR/2BA
Listed by Stephanie Rogers

OPEN 1:30-2:30
6000 Queens Ct. - $360,000
4BR/3BA
Listed by DeLaura Gammage
Shown by Ashley St John

OPEN 2:00-3:00
2100 Cuthbert - $415,000
3BR/4BA
Listed by Susan Palmer
Shown by Pamela Arredondo

OPEN 2:00-3:00
5014 Oak Creek - $675,000
4BR/4.5BA
Listed by Susan Palmer
Shown by Amanda Gutter

OPEN 3:00-4:00
2309 Boyd - $615,000
3BR/2BA
Listed & Shown by Susan Palmer

OPEN 3:00-5:00
7309 E. Co. Rd. 113
4BR/3BA/2 HALF BA
Listed by DeLaura Gammage
Shown by Reese Sloan

OPEN 3:30-4:30
5902 Helen Ryan Dr. - $275,000
3BR/2BA
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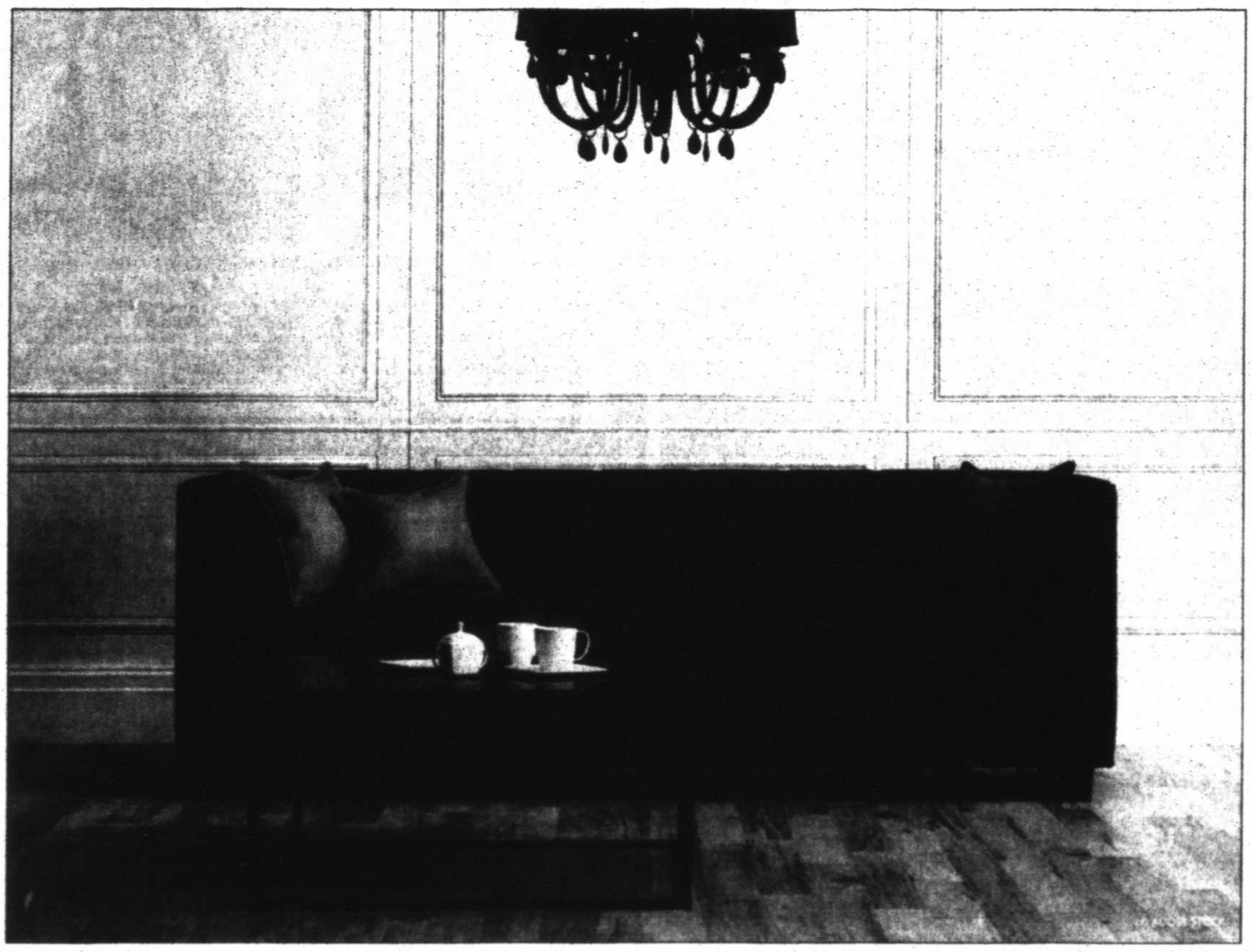


Interiors: What's In, What's Out?

By ANNA CHANG-YEN | Green Shoot Media

We all know the avocado range is several decades out of style, but it's a tall order to keep up to date with modern interior design trends.

It can seem that just as you've added chevron prints here there and everywhere or DIY-ed your sliding barn doors in every room, new trends have arrived. Here's a roundup of what's in and what's out. (Of course rules are meant to be broken, and embracing your rebellious side could prove a worthy aesthetic venture.)

WHAT'S IN?

Textures: Add depth to your designs with unique textures. Concrete accent pieces, velvet upholstery, woven baskets and ramie curtains are just a few examples of the "have-to-touch-it" vibe showing up across the home decor industry.

Colors: Gray has been enjoying its own moment for a while. It can be warmed up or cooled down with various hues, making it a versatile, modern neutral. Taupes and browns, however, are poised for a comeback. House Beautiful predicts newfound popularity for a few shades of purple, from dark plum in the dining room to both dark and light shades of a dustier purple. The magazine also expected big things from Asian-inspired chinoiserie red, deep turquoise, a variety of yellows and emerald green. Pantone's color of the year is Greenery, a bright yellow-green affair that pairs well with cobalt accents.

Juxtaposition: What's old is new when rustic meets modern. Think hand-crafted Moroccan tile paired with sleek slate-gray cabinets, or a hand-hewn timber table with modern industrial chairs. A cowhide rug in front of an uber-modern streamlined sofa. Fractured glass tile beneath chic glass-and-metal lighting. Revived mid-century modern furniture. This is where throwing out the rulebook can pay big dividends and a thrift store find can steal the show.

WHAT'S OUT?

The editors at Elle decor wish Edison bulbs back to the day of their namesake. They also are "so over" everything from nautical themes, Tuscan kitchens and too much granite to Mason jars, vertical blinds, dusty pastels and wicker furniture. Of course, if you can't help yourself, think of ways to bring modern touches to these reportedly outdated elements. For example, if you just can't say no to nautical, try sea glass-inspired tile. Still mad for plaid? Try tartan or shades of gray.

Elle Decor predicts the ouster of the once-ubiquitous chevron pattern. Apartmenttherapy.com wishes people would stop it already with the obsessive matching of every item in a room, while various style watchers opine an overabundance of brass fixtures and all things marble. Realtor.com envisions a world free of sliding "barn door madness."

At the end of the day, your space should reflect your personality. Mix and match, or disregard the "rules" altogether for a style all your own.

REAL ESTATE 101

Pick a Color, Any Color

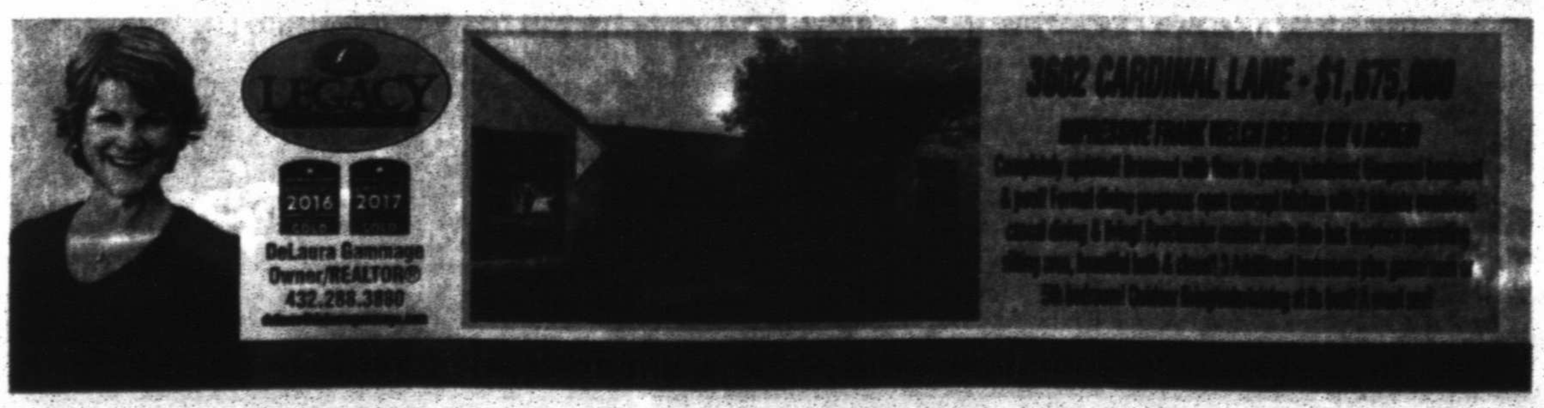
Choosing colors for your home's interior can be a daunting task. With so much to choose from, you could find yourself torn between too many options — or lacking for inspiration. The Internet offers tools to help.

At **degraeve.com/color-palette** and **SnapYourColors.com**, upload a favorite photo and pick colors from the photo to make your own custom palette.

At **paletton.com**, use a color wheel to explore color and find complementary shades.

HOMEWISE GLOSSARY

Soft second loan: A second mortgage whose payment is forgiven or is deferred until resale of the property.
Subordinate financing: Any mortgage or other lien with lower priority than the first mortgage.
SOURCE: Federal Trade Commission



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4425 Verde Glen Court	4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 2 living, pool	MLS #50014448	SOLD	$626,500
5313 Shady Bend Court	4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 3 living	MLS #50014303	SOLD	$549,500
47 Lafayette Place	3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, townhouse & pool	MLS #50016879	NEW LISTING	$497,500
4600 Tanforan	4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 3 living, 3 car garage	MLS #50015831	NEW PRICE	$469,900
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2606 Whittle Way	4 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage	MLS #50017097	UNDER CONTRACT	$254,900
9708-B FM 307	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1 living, 2.23 acres	MLS #50015814	UNDER CONTRACT	$249,900
10804 E. Co. Rd. 104	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 garage	MLS #50016536	SOLD	$189,900
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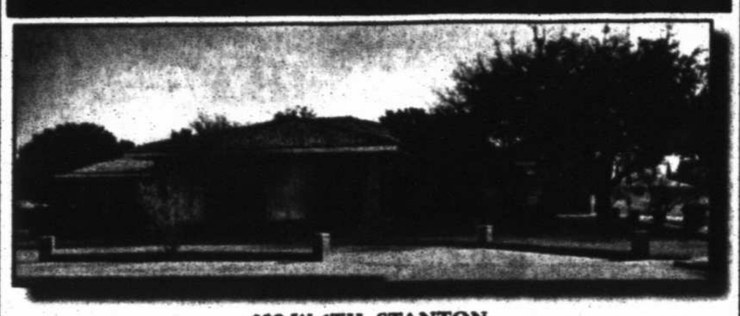

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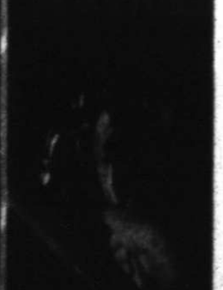

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3377 DENNA LANCE, GRADY ISD...Michelle Leskar 230-3633 ..... $89,400
3370 DENNA LANCE, GRADY ISD...Michelle Leskar 230-3633 ..... $89,300
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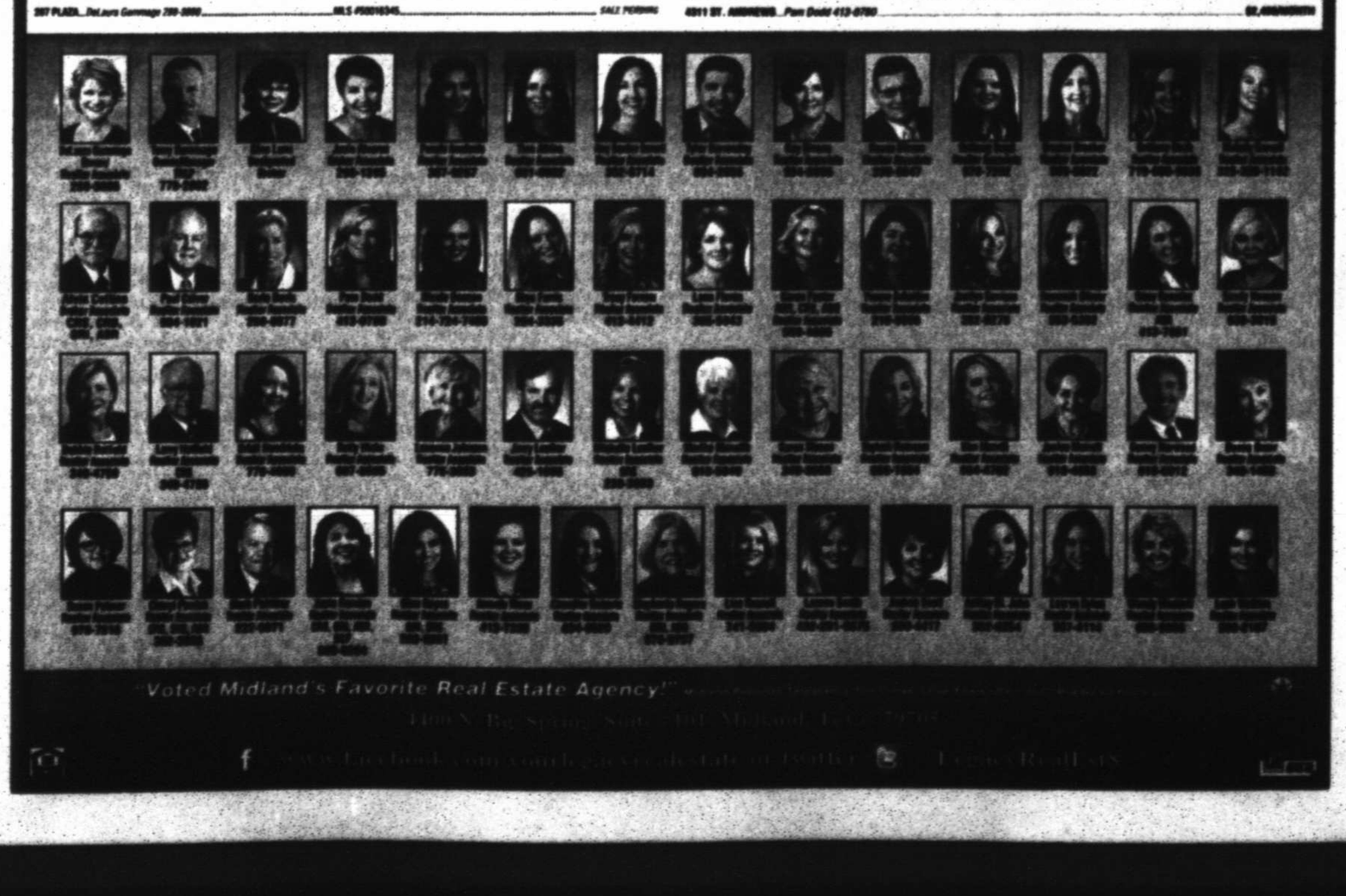

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ABOVE: JK Dance Center owner Kelsey Tanner talks to guests at the Aug. 10 opening of her new studio. After, she and "Dancing with the Stars" dancer and friend Paul Barris led a group for the opening night festivities. BELOW: Tanner leads a dance class with Barris.

STEPPING UP

Local dance teacher goes from pop stars to pumpjacks with new studio

By Rich Lopez
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Kelsey Tanner would say she was born and raised in a dance studio. For the most part, she's not wrong. Growing up in her mother's dance studio in Monroe, Louisiana, dance was most certainly a way of life.

Tanner

"It is all I've ever known," she said.

Tanner is continuing the family tradition with JK Dance Center, which opened on Aug. 10. The road that led her here is a star-studded one that has taken her from a small town to an Oscar-winning movie and "Dancing with the Stars."

Her studio's grand opening featured one of those stars.

"I met Paul Barris doing 'Dancing with the Stars' tour in 2008-09 and we've been friends since," Tanner said. "I was honestly surprised he said 'Yes' to coming to the grand opening."

Growing up in the very rustic Monroe, dancing wasn't as high on the list as hunting and fishing. On weekends, she and her mother would drive to bigger cities for classes and competitions. She began taking dance seriously when she was 14 and temporarily living in New York City.

"We had moved there for the summer to be in front of choreographers, and Brian

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If you go

JK Dance Center is located at 3211 W. Wadley Ave. Classes include ballet, jazz, hip-hop and ballroom for students from toddlers to adults. Private and group lessons are also available.

Visit jkdancetexas.com for more information.

Ashley Landis/The Dallas Morning News

The Latin Boyz Cadets dancers rehearse with Katia Gonzalez, 14, center, for her quinceanera July 24 at Oasis Ballroom in Irving. The all-male dance troupe performs at quinceaneras.

Teens get paid to party, but it takes dedication to be a professional chambelan at quinceañeras

By Cassandra Jaramillo
The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — For the girls, a quinceanera is a once-in-a-lifetime celebration of young womanhood, often extravagant enough to rival weddings.

But for the guys in the Latin Boyz Cadets, quinceaneras are a part-time job.

Instead of working as cashiers at fast food or retail stores, these teenagers make money by dancing in the quinceanera court, all while impressing teenage girls with their cumbia, bachata and salsa moves.

Most of the boys have several thousand followers. Girls comment with heart-eyed emojis when their favorite cake uploads his latest selfie. Barajas, who goes by Pablo Goes, checked. Boasts his nearly 50,000 followers. The Skyline student from Pleasant Grove has fan page, too.

My fans is cause of dancing, Barajas said, with a smile adorned by clear braces.

Barajas has danced since he was 13. His tall and slim feet with perfectly shaped eyebrows and a pompadour fade performed with an amateur group before joining the Latin Boyz Cadets.

The Dallas and Fort Worth-area group provides entertainment for quinceaneras. Barajas is one of the most sought-after dancers in the group, said the group's founder, Jesse Hidalgo. Since I [illegible]

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OUT&ABOUT

by Julie Donnelly

Parties send kids back to school

■ Mario Kart

Bicycles, tricycles, rip-sticks and scooters were driven all over the Palmer Activity Christian Center as part of a back-to-school celebration put on by the center and YNC-Mount Rose Full Gospel Baptist Church. The "Mario Kart"-themed track was lined with tires and featured a wishing well filled with stuffed animals that kids got to take home at the end of the night.

Bumps made out of jump ropes also kept the bike course challenging. The riders could stop along the course and cool off with a serving of vanilla or chocolate ice cream.

Off the track, kids got to test their skills by participating in a Mario Kart tournament on the Nintendo Switch.

■ Skate party

Midland students skated their way into the new school year at K.C. Nutty Roller's annual back-to-school bash. Skaters enjoyed the bunny hop, trio skating, balloon races, the limbo and backward skating. Blackout skating was also a huge hit, as the only way skaters could be on the blacked-out rink was to be wearing a glow stick.

When students wanted a break from skating, they played foosball, Pac-Man and Galaga.

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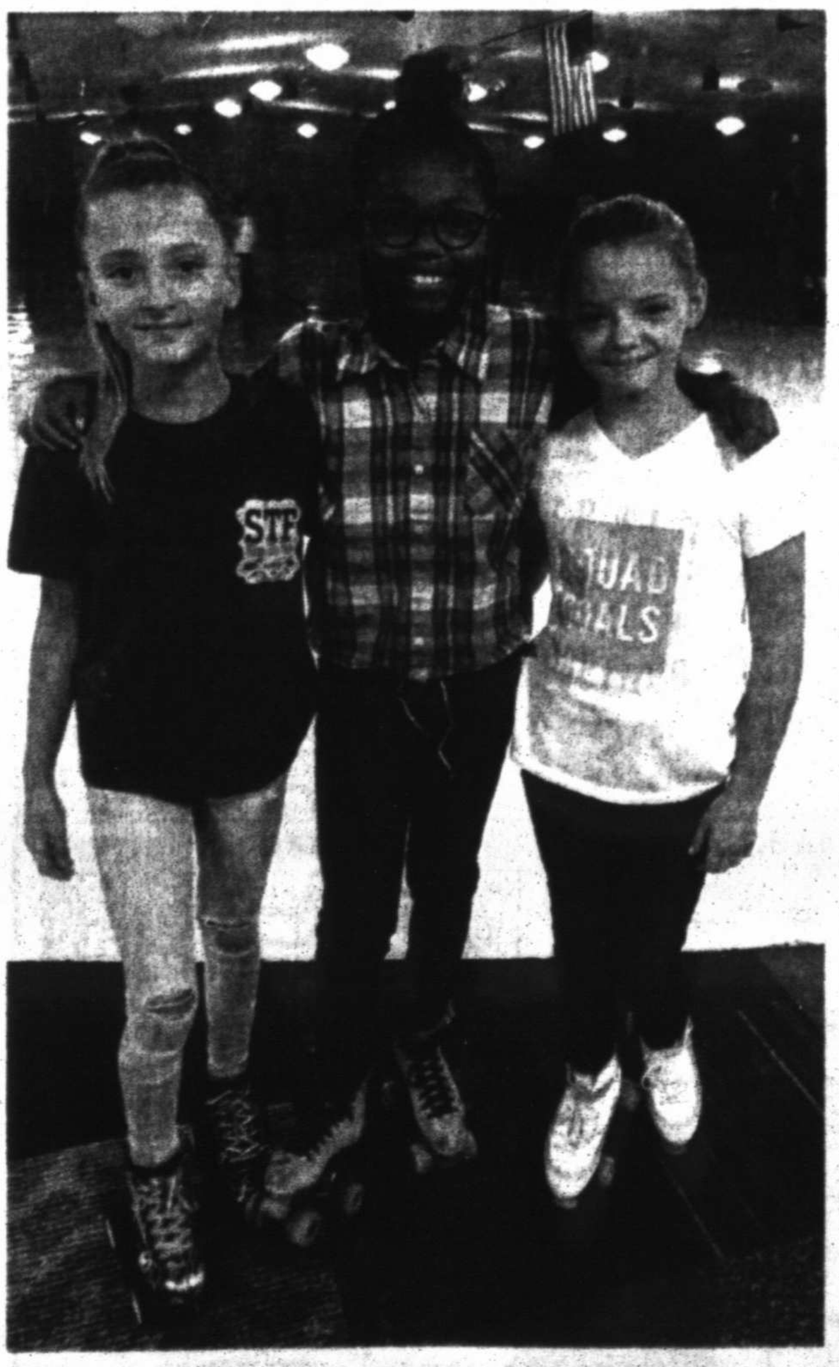
Skate party

Aalyiah Maldonado, from left, Joaslyne Salinas, Mia Munguia, Aliyah Benavidez and Isabella Barrera



Skate party

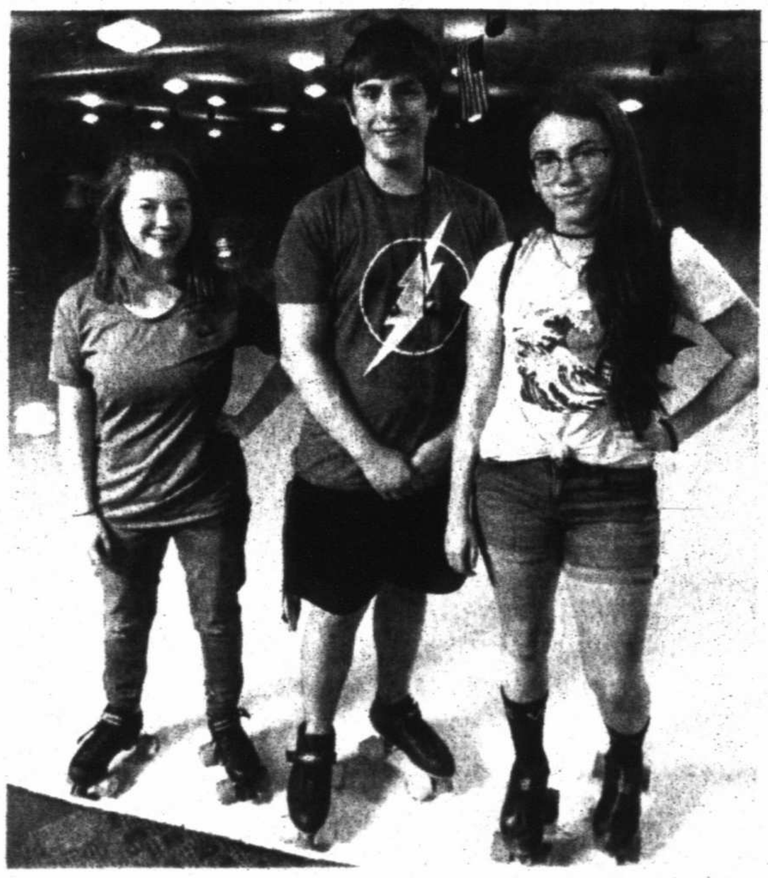
Macey Young, from left, Kayla Barnes and Samantha Lennox

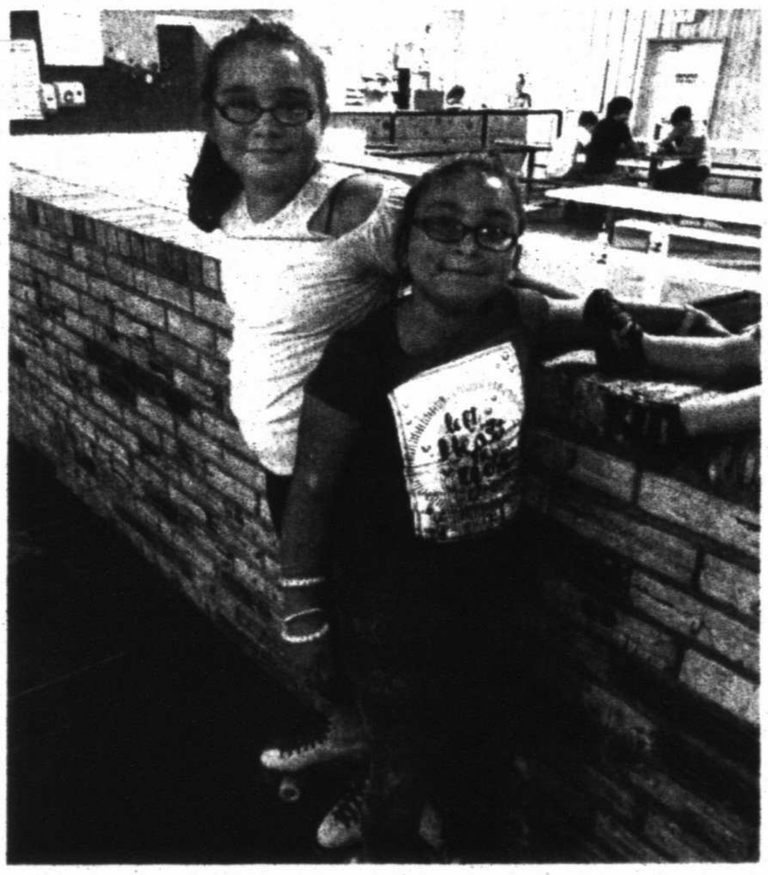
Mario Kart

Zhonte Keets, left, and Kai Keets

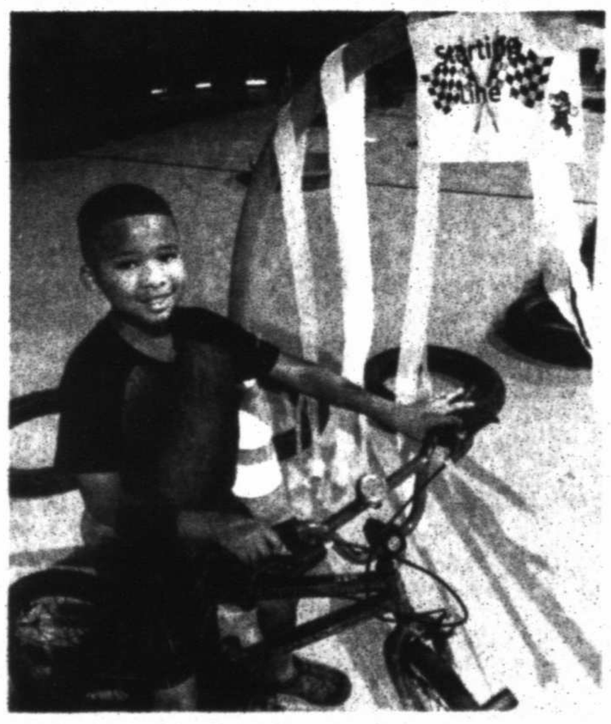
Skate party

Kynlee Tatsch, left, and Joselyn Ortiz





CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: SKATE PARTY: Montana Earl, from left, Alec Fussell and Emily Escobedo; **SKATE PARTY**: Natalie Barrientos, left, and Adavelia Barrientos; **MARIO KART**: Jeremiah Packer; **MARIO KART**: Zarius Jamison



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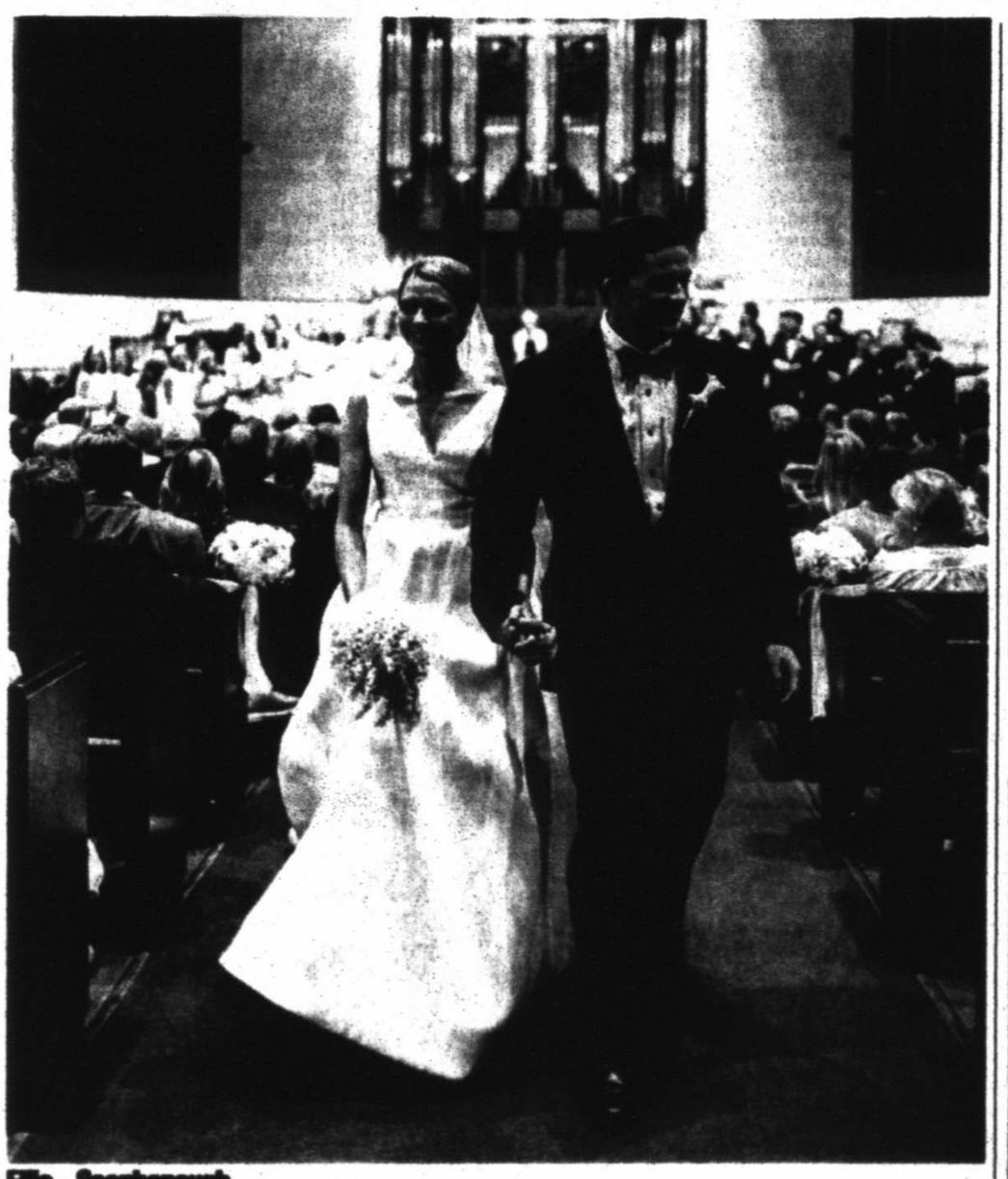

Ellis - Scarborough

Miss Allison Clare Ellis was united in marriage with Mr. Houston Marshall Scarborough on Saturday June 2, 2018 at 6 o'clock in the evening. They were wed by The Reverend Steven Schorr at First Presbyterian Church of Midland, Texas. Following the ceremony, the bride's father hosted a reception at the Racquet Club of Midland. On the eve of the wedding, the groom's parents hosted the rehearsal dinner at the family's Red Star Farm in Greenwood, Texas.

The bride is the daughter of the late Mrs. Clare Tompson Ellis and Mr. Glen James Ellis, Jr. of Midland. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen James Ellis, Sr. of Midland and the late Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Carr Tompson of Midland.

The groom is the son of Ms. Sidney Trobaugh Scarborough of Midland and Mr. Brian Howell Scarborough of Midland. He is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Allen Kieffer Trobaugh of Midland and the late Mr. and Mrs. Moliere Scarborough, Jr. of Tyler, Texas.

The bride was presented in marriage by her father, who walked her down the aisle. She wore the "Raquel" V-neck gown by Anne Barc, with a midriff insert and couture bow on back, and a translucent white cape cut cathedral veil.

Serving as her Matrons of Honor were her cousin, Anna Koch Harris of Alexandria, Virginia, and childhood best friend, Anna McLaughlin Rubalcava of Midland. Miss Mary Francis of Dallas, Texas another childhood best friend, served as her Maid of Honor. Serving as her bridesmaids were Alexandra Paige Besing of New York City, Cynthia Michele Davis of Dallas, Elizabeth Townsend Edwards of New York City, Heather Anne Elias of Austin, Texas, Whitney Savage Ellis of Midland, Grace Fraser Helms of Austin, Claire Elizabeth Logan of New York City, Michelle Tull Ryan of Midland, Claire McLaughlin Statton of Midland, Katharine Zimmerman Turpin of Austin, Casey Gribble Yates of Midland and Margaret Arnot Zimmerman of Fort Worth, Texas. Serving as her House Party were Mills Davis Viehman of Dallas and Ellen Elizabeth Bergman of Houston, Texas.

Serving as the Best Man was the groom's brother, Kieffer Lee Scarborough of Dallas. Serving as his groomsmen were Hunter Brett Bergman of Midland, Bradley Clayton Bledsoe of New York City, Crawford Overton Edwards, Jr. of Midland, Glen James Ellis, III of Midland, Charlie James Ferebee of Denver, Colorado, Turner Moore Hardwick of Dallas, William Travis Helms of Austin, Brogan Wyatt Jayne of Denver, Dylan John McDonald of San Antonio, Texas, Kyle Diamond Peterson of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, William Ryan Reddell of St. Louis, Missouri, George Arthur Smith of Jackson, Tennessee, Justin Benjamin Toon of Dallas, David Barton Travis, Jr. of Paris, Tennessee and Travis Ogden Wagner of Edmond, Oklahoma.

The children of Anna and Nick Harris of Alexandria served as the Flower Girl and Ring Bearers. Clare Chapman Harris served as the Flower Girl, and her three brothers, Carr Anderson Harris, Hayes Prescott Harris and Tompson Alexander Harris served as the Ring Bearers. Long time friends Berkeley Casey Stoltz and William Travis Helms of Austin read during the ceremony.

The bride is a graduate of Midland High School and of the University of Texas at Austin with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Corporate Communications. She is currently employed with Piedra Resources in Midland.

The groom is a graduate of Trinity High School and of Rhodes College with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in International Business. He is currently employed with Caballo Loco Midstream in Midland.

The couple resides in Midland after a honeymoon in Italy.

Crime stoppers member appreciation

Courtesy photo

The Midland Crime Stoppers Board of Directors presented Bill Stovall, CEO of Community National Bank, fourth from left, with a Silver Partner appreciation plaque Tuesday at the group's monthly meeting. The plaque was to recognize the bank's $2,500 donation. Also at the meeting were: board member Jess Malone, from left; Sgt. Jimmy Young, Midland Police Department coordinator; board member Charlie Harris, President Patty Brady; Secretary Rick Lewis, Treasurer Mike Beggs, Vice President Teresa Clingman and member Terry Youngblood.

Timing is everything in family feud over long dinners

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I have a disagreement about when a person should be allowed to get up from the table. We have an 8-month-old son whom we both want to grow up to have good manners. We know he'll soon be out of his high chair and become squirmy and not want to stay seated.

My wife was raised to stay seated and be excused only after everyone is finished eating — holding everyone hostage until the last person is finished and extending dinnertime up to an hour or more. I feel it's excessive, and a child would have a hard time sitting still that long.

When she was little, her parents tied her to her chair so she couldn't get up until everyone finished eating. I was raised to ask to be excused after I was finished but was welcome to stay and socialize if I liked.

In my opinion, dinner should last about 30 minutes so there's time to finish chores around the house. I agree that coming to the table and leaving after 10 minutes is rude because the cook has taken great care to prepare the meal and may feel insulted if the diner gets up too quickly. Long dinners may have been acceptable in Jane Austen's day, but not in today's fast-paced world. — HIGH CHAIR HOSTAGE

DEAR HIGH CHAIR: Your wife appears to be extremely rigid. On the plus side, she appreciates the importance of family dinners in the home. I agree that children should be taught table manners; however, tying a kid to a chair is considered child abuse these

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DEAR ABBY

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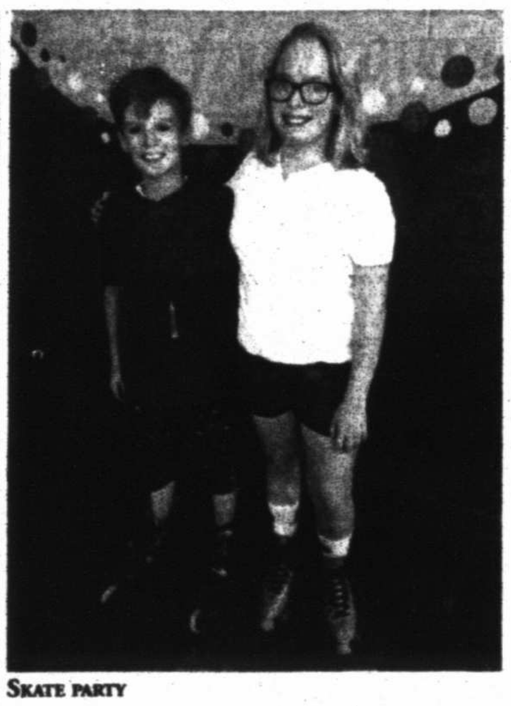

Skate party

Camden Bean, left, and Skyline Bean

Mario Kart

Ryan Phillips

Mario Kart

Eddie Martinez, left, and Christopher Martinez

Mario Kart

Cassandra Diaz

Irish bread is best when it is hot, fresh from oven

HINTS FROM HELOISE

King Features Syndicate

Dear Heloise: You had an Irish bread recipe that my kids just loved. Would you please reprint it? I lost it when we remodeled the kitchen.

It always seemed to taste best when served in the morning, hot and fresh from the oven. — Julie R., Orlando, Fla.

Julie, this recipe is easy and quick to make. You'll need:

- 1 cup prepared biscuit mix
- 1/4 cup raisins
- 1 teaspoon caraway seeds
- 1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons milk
- Butter (for serving)

Preheat the oven to 450 F. Mix all the ingredients together (except the butter) quickly and lightly and put in a well-greased 6-inch baking dish.

Bake for about 12 minutes. Cut into wedges and serve with lots of butter. — Heloise

STICKY DOUGH

Dear Heloise: How can I keep dough from sticking to my rolling pin? — Frances S., Fairview, Tenn.

Frances, try placing your rolling pin in the freezer for about two hours before you start rolling out your dough.

Keep sprinkling flour on your rolling pin as you go, and this should help to keep your dough from sticking. — Heloise

LOOK FISH IN THE EYES

Dear Heloise: My doctor wants me to eat more fish, but I don't know how to tell if the fish at a fish market is fresh or not. How will I know the difference? — Shelley H., Crookston, Minn.

Shelley, it's always in the eyes, which should be bright and clear. A fresh fish also should have red or pink gills, and its scales need to be shiny. Never buy fish that has cloudy or sunken eyes. — Heloise

WAYS TO CUT GROCERY BILLS

Dear Heloise: Working in a grocery store, I see a lot of money thrown away on things that cause people to spend more than they had planned. If you want to stick to your food budget, there are some things to do that will leave money in your pocket:

- Don't buy junk food. It adds cost but not nutrition.
- Do a little meal planning and use ingredients that you already have on hand.
- Avoid impulse buying. Stick to your list. If you can, leave the kids at home. Candy, cookies and other sweets are positioned to attract children. — Shannon L., Jasper, Ind.

FREEZE EXTRA MILK

Dear Heloise: Living alone, it's inconvenient to buy milk so often. I save a few bottles, and now I buy milk a half-gallon at a time, fill and freeze. I take them out as I need them. — Peggy H., via email

Great way to save! And yes, freezing milk is perfectly fine. Don't fill the bottle completely full — the milk will expand when frozen. Caveats? Taste and consistency may change. — Heloise

PAPER CLIPS FOR CHIPS

Dear Heloise: No bag clips? Use a paper clip or a safety pin. — Meghan C., Grants, N.M.

MICHAEL PRICE

Wild About Texas

European starling often forages at gardens and parks

In a country as large and biologically diverse as the United States, even naturalists become accustomed to certain species that are not even native. However, that is not the case with one of the most recognizable and modestly attractive songbirds in North America.

As the name implies, the European starling (*Sturnus vulgaris*) was native to Europe and parts of Asia. It became established in the United States in 1890 when a small flock was purposely released into Central Park in New York City. Over the next century, this species has journeyed westward and southward and has established itself in every state of the Union. Outside of the United States (and obviously its native homeland), this avian species can also be found northward into Canada and southward into northern Mexico. It is not a migratory species, which means that it can be observed here at any time of the year.

Superficially, the starling appears to be just a moderately sized black bird with a colorful bill. However, upon closer inspection, it is quite an attractive bird. The overall coloration is black, but in direct sunlight there is evidence of a distinctive green and purplish sheen.

Looking closer, one can see that there are light-colored dots of various sizes speckled all over the upperparts and wings. The tail is short and colored like the upperparts. The bill, which is long and pointed, is colored bright yellow.

There is no sexual dimorphism; males and females look like one another. The starling has a total body length of just over 8 inches; the wingspan is over 15 inches.

Although it is a monogamous breeder, starlings can be quite gregarious and establish large flocks. Some larger flocks may contain thousands of individuals during the winter months. These large flocks tend to be quite rambunctious and noisy with whistles, chirps, and shrill twitters. When flying, the flight pattern is a straight direct flight with rapidly beating wing beats.

Starlings will live in large social flocks during the non-breeding season, but when it comes time to mate, they are known to pair up and remain monogamous during such time.

The nest is typically found in hollowed-out tree trunks, although they use structures such as the backs of advertising billboards, street signs and bird boxes.

Unfortunately, this invasive critter will often outcompete native species such as bluebirds and flycatchers for suitable nesting sites. The four to eight eggs are small (roughly 1 inch by 3/4 of an inch) and are usually colored a pale blue, although occasionally they will be light green. The eggs are almost always unmarked, although rarely brown dots will decorate the shell. These eggs are incubated by both parents until they hatch in about two weeks, and the female is the primary care-giver to the helpless young until they leave the nest approximately three weeks after hatching. Juveniles have a gray-brown background coloration with pale dots on the underparts. Up to three broods per year have been recorded.

The European starling has a varied diet that consists of insects, grains, and fruits. It has unique in that the muscles that open the bill are considerably stouter than the muscles that close the bill. This allows the bird to stick its bill in the ground and pry it open to expose whatever it is feeding on.

This avian variety is definitely one species of bird that has adapted quite well to human habitation, with many individuals seen foraging in lawns, gardens and city parks.

BARBARA PORSCH

Permian Basin Master Gardeners

Calendula will brighten up herb bed or garden

If you can find calendula (*Calendula officianalis*), now is a good time to plant it in your garden.

A couple of years ago I went to a lovely nursery in Tomball called Arbor Gate and found some. I brought them home and planted them in my garden, even though I had read not to. I discovered why — they reseed.

The calendula is in the *asteraceae* family with sunflowers and daisy. They are also called pot marigold.

The young leaves can be used in salads and soups. The flowers will give a slightly sweet flavor to salads or soup and can be used in rice and fish dishes.

Courtesy photo

Calendula

The petals can be pulled from the blossom and air-dried to be used as a substitute for the more expensive saffron.

A yellow dye can be made by boiling the flowers in water. A strong infusion made from the petals has been shown to kill some bacteria and fungi, which gives some validation to all the folk cures that have been given to calendula — everything from burns, bruises and cuts to measles and chicken pox.

All the flower needs is sun and well-drained soil. Although I started with transplants, it looks like it would be very easy to start from seed in early fall. Try it. One thing for sure: It will brighten up your herb bed or garden.

Effort to help monarch butterflies gets boost in marketplace

Associated Press

MONTREAL — An initiative to market milkweed for the benefit of monarch butterflies — and the farmers in Quebec and Vermont who grow it — is getting a boost from a Canadian parka company that is renewing its commitment to sell coats made with the plant's floss.

It's an experimental manufacturing and retailing effort, which started in 2016 when Quartz Co. made and sold a few hundred coats with milkweed fiber as the insulation. After modest growth of its distribution last year, the company is introducing its third generation in September and additional styles in October.

Having served as a testing ground, said Francois-Xavier Robert, Quartz Co.'s chief operating officer, "We feel like we are close to having a major product."

North America's severely depleted population of monarchs depends for its survival on milkweed, the sole host for the eggs and only food for the caterpillars. Efforts to restore monarchs rest in part on establishing new lands for the plant to grow. Research indicates plots of milkweed in farmers' fields are particularly attractive to the monarchs, perhaps more so than roadside stretches and urban patches that butterflies may or may not find.

Quebec researchers developed a way to transform fiber from the long-undesired weed into a lightweight insulation that can replace down and synthetics. But the effort has been bumpy, with the initial producer of the fiber collapsing last year. Harvesting and production technology is immature; hand-picking the crop is often required to yield the silky fibers needed for high-end clothing. Farmers harvest milkweed in the fall after the migrating monarchs have had their fill and moved south.

More than 100 farmers in Quebec and a half dozen in Vermont are growing milkweed for the Monark cooperative, tapping Quartz Co. as their only market for the clothing insulation. Parkas from Quartz, based outside Montreal, are sold in more than 275 stores in 20 countries as well as online.

Robert and his brother, Jean-Philippe Robert, the Quartz president, are entrepreneurs in their early 30s who bought the company in 2015 and built a leadership team of their own generation.

"When we heard about milkweed we jumped on it," said Francois-Xavier Robert. "It's part of our generation to be a bit more eco-friendly and responsible. The project seemed pretty aligned with our values."

ABBY

From 4E

days, and I don't recommend it.

Modern parents recognize that small children have short attention spans and compensate for it in various ways. When a child is old enough to understand, the rules should be spelled out. If the children are in another person's home or a public place, materials should be provided so the child can entertain him- or herself while the adults make conversation.

If the child needs to get up and move around, he or she should be accompanied by a parent so other diners won't be interrupted.

If a meal at home is going to be a long one, the child should be allowed to be excused from the table as you were. And because you are an adult, you should have the freedom to leave the table if you wish, too.

DEAR ABBY: A woman in my social circle has called me a know-it-all and accused me of making her feel stupid. She has refused to accept my apology, canceled our carpools to events and has started challenging me at every turn of any conversation.

I no longer feel comfortable accepting invitations to gatherings in her home, but frequent encounters with her are unavoidable. How should I handle confrontations with her in the future? — TRAUMATIZED TEXAN

DEAR T.T.: There shouldn't be any "confrontations." When you see the woman, be pleasant and keep your distance. If she tries to start an argument, tell her the problem is hers and you don't intend to make it yours — period. Then, if there are others present, devote your time to them.

BRIDGE

PERMIAN BRIDGE CLUB

AUG. 13

Dorothy Brenneman-Ann Servatius, Linda Scarpelli-Greg Keys, Audie Brooks-Paula Baggett, Sandy Hill-Paula Bayley, Nancy Ward-Linda Buzan

AUG. 14

Sonya Hopkins-Marlene Blumentritt, Bonnie Hubbard-Ricki Perry, James Hawkins-Gloria Jackson, A. Brooks-Bill Brooks, Ann Parish-Buzan

AUG. 15

Marilyn Higgins-Servatius, Brenneman-Baggett, Lonnie Yee-Bayley, Buzan-B. Brooks, Hopkins-Parish

AUG. 16

Baggett-Brenneman, B. Brooks-Dianne Anderson, Georgia Temple-Higgins, Douglas Brown-Phyllis Maxwell, Linda Farrar-Linda McDonald

Bayley-Buzan, Mike Robinson-Servatius, Kay Sewell-Keys, Sandy Hill-Jimmie Jenson, A. Brooks-Betty Moore

Overall: Bayley-Buzan, Baggett-Brenneman, B. Brooks-Anderson, Robinson-Servatius, Higgins-Temple, Brown-Maxwell, Sewell-Keys, Hill-Jensen, A. Brooks-Moore, Farrar-McDonald

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K.C. Evans-Debbie Conly, Hawkins-Buzan, Higgins-Servatius, Baggett-Perry, Hubbard-Hill

AUG. 19

Baggett-Blumentritt, Higgins-Servatius, Buzan-B. Brooks, Evans-Kay Arrell

With Bob Jones

Sure trump trick?

Both vulnerable. North deals

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♣K10754

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♣Q96

SOUTH
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♡K2
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*Positive, 6 or more diamonds with at least 9 points

Opening lead: Ten of ♡

Slam was too ambitious on these cards and would have been defeated on a club lead even if the trumps split normally.

West led a heart, which was a reasonable choice after this auction. East happily grabbed his ace, expecting to defeat the contract with a trump trick still to come. East shifted to a spade, won by dummy's queen.

Declarer thought he was in clover until he cashed the ace of diamonds and got the horrible news. He led a heart to his king and a spade back to dummy's ace. East got a little nervous about his trump trick when dummy's queen of hearts was led.

East chose not to ruff this — ruffing wouldn't have helped him — and discarded a club instead. South discarded one of his clubs on this trick and another on the king of spades, leaving this position:

NORTH
♠6
♡J7
◇Q
♣AJ

WEST
♠J
♡9
◇Void
♣K1075

EAST
♠Void
♡Void
◇10976
♣Q9

SOUTH
♠Void
♡Void
◇KJ854
♣8

South led a spade from dummy and ruffed it when East shed a club. A club to the ace was followed by a heart, and East finally had to ruff high.

South over-ruffed, led a diamond back to dummy's queen, and scored the last two tricks with his king-eight of trumps sitting over East's 10-seven. Well played!

SUDOKU

THE SAMURAI OF PUZZLES By The Mepham Group

Level 1 2 3 4

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, please visit ***sudoku.org.uk***

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SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE

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8	9	4	2	1	3	7	5	6
5	6	1	7	8	9	2	4	3
3	7	2	4	5	6	9	1	8
6	8	9	5	2	7	1	3	4
4	2	5	8	3	1	6	7	9
7	1	3	6	9	4	5	8	2

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JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these six Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form six ordinary words

GUTOHH

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KIOBEO

TATHRW

NIFTIE

MUCSPA

TLANUF

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

PRINT YOUR ANSWER IN THE CIRCLES BELOW

JUMBLE Answer :

THOUGH BOOKIE THWART FINITE CAMPUS FLAUNT

The spear had just been invented, and it would be used —

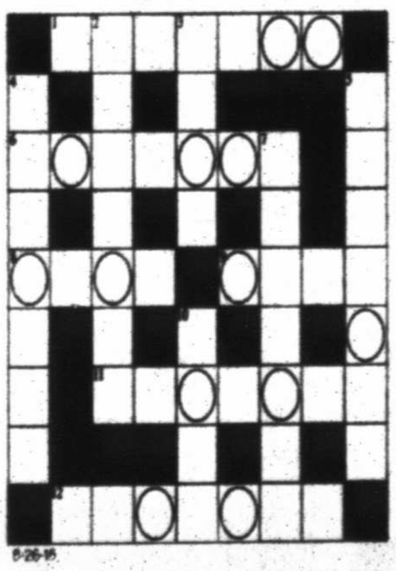
FROM THAT POINT ON

AUGUST 26, 2018

JUMBLE CROSSWORDS

by David L. Hoyt

Sunday Puzzle



ACROSS

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Spot for a type of Cuban	MHIDORU
6. Wise	DUPTERN
8. Tart-tasting	UOSR
9. Lunch, for example	EALM
11. Restricted, finite	DITIELM
12. Chuckled	HEDUGAL

DOWN

CLUE	ANSWER
2. Odd	SLUNUAU
3. Article, thing	EITM
4. TV show installment	DSPIOEE
5. Burst	EEPXDOL
7. Type of beam	SERTLET
10. Air pollution	MGOS

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How to play

Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

BONUS

CLUE: Work on ___ ___ began in 1927.

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Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

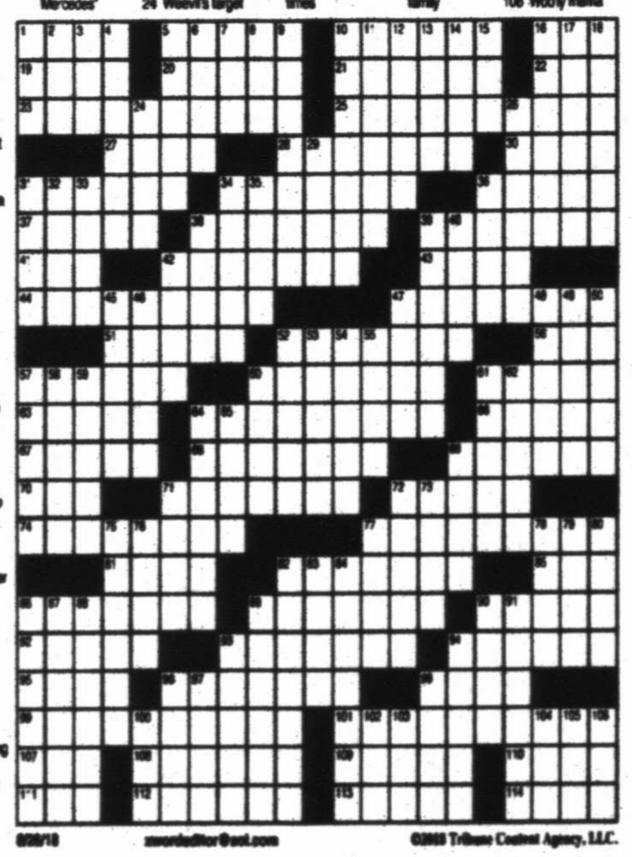
"AMAZEBALLS" By ROBIN STEARS

ACROSS

1 Takes the odds
5 Flop's opposite
10 Anchored
16 Braying beast
19 Audition piece
20 1988 Summer Olympics site
21 From C to C
22 __ Victor
23 "Convenient carrier
25 "Small, flat legume
27 Braille bits
28 Post Pablo Neruda, e.g.
30 "My treat"
31 Distinctive Rolls Royce feature
34 Many a text writer
36 Hikes from the center
37 Wilson of "Pitch Perfect" movies
38 Henry Field player
39 Rapid __
41 Nickname for young Skywalker
42 Ramshackle shelters
43 One way to get you
44 "Octal system
47 "Item found in a parlor
51 Like Fran Drescher's voice
52 Cheerleaders' handfuls
56 Your cousin's 81-Across, maybe
57 Plague critter
60 Pudding starch
61 Carne __
63 Subject of a Dean Martin classic
64 "Pneumatic allo dectogger
66 "Your table's ready" gizmo
67 Chekov on "Star Trek"
68 Directed
69 Last to arrive
70 French article
71 Proclaims
72 Passionate
74 "Fund for fun
77 "Path for a promising young exec
81 See 56-Across
82 Fouls up, as plans
85 "The Crow" actress Ling
86 "The Star-Spangled Banner" quartet
89 "Les Misérables" girl
90 __ Ste. Marie
92 Prefix with centric
93 Barbaric
94 Worrisome engine sound
95 Teatro __ Scala
96 Old copiers
98 Right on the map
99 "It covers the Batmobile
101 "Brie, e.g.
107 Ottoman bigwig
108 Cooling-off period?
109 City of NE Italy
110 Garbage hauler
111 B-day numbers
112 "Full House" surname
113 Award for "Mr. Mercedes"
114 Lill one's spirits?

DOWN

1 "Phooey!"
2 Significant time
3 Bronze component
4 Tack room item
5 Ice
6 Shade of green
7 What Indiana sought
8 "What did I tell you?"
9 Chopper
10 Calder pieces
11 Telescope eyepiece
12 Weasel relative
13 Pro follower
14 102-Down opposite
15 "__ Rosenkavalier"
16 Spots for sports
17 Trattoria entrée
18 Least extreme
24 Weevil's target
26 Tied-under-the-chin topper
29 Prefix with gram
31 Take the wrong way?
32 Softer of soaps
33 Sacred Nile bird
34 Longtime "60 Minutes" reporter
35 Small price to pay
36 Backtalk
38 Sonic the Hedgehog maker
39 "Mr. Citizen" autobiographer
40 Regrets
42 Santa has a famous one
45 Acclimatize
46 Art supporter?
47 Fashion first name
48 Pixel pattern
49 Secret stuff
50 Target rival
52 Worrywart, at times
53 Eye-tooling genre
54 Extraction sites
55 Golden or Walden
57 Drink from a bowl
58 Spender of rials
59 Group of 13, traditionally
60 Genealogy chart
61 Spaced out
62 Lustful deity
64 Portfolio listings
65 Wee
69 Rents
71 "Frozen" princess
72 Conviction
73 "Cast Away" setting
75 Fanatic
76 Anise liqueur
77 Dieter's concern
78 Lie next to
79 Birdsong
80 Toy with a tail
82 Skeptic
83 Italian noble family
84 Budget bin record
86 Ramshackle
87 One taking a lot of notes
88 Soothes
89 React to an awkward moment
90 Military band
91 Bear witness
93 Queen lead guitarist __ May
94 Track figure
96 Animal lovers' org.
97 French city where William the Conqueror is buried
98 Italian smoker
100 Many an IKEA buy
102 14-Down opposite
103 Newton fruit
104 Green prefix
105 Sponge (up)
106 Wooly mama



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3. The Weekly "Brain Breaker"

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Today's Answers are on Page 00

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ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE

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WUZZLES® 1. She's low on food 2. Back room 3. Information center Answers 8-26

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	G	S	R	C	W	6 AM	6:30	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	In Touch Ministries		GMA/Sunday		The Truth	House	Texas	This Week		Church	J.Jones	Paid
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Paid	Homeown.	First Baptist Church		CBS Sunday Morning (N)			Face the Nation		Mission	First Baptist Odessa	
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Hunters	Hunters	Beakman	Beakman	Bill Nye	Bill Nye	Seveball	Seveball	Seveball	Seveball	Bradpt.	Bradpt.
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Paid	W.Minist	Insight	FaithAve	Fox News Sunday		Odessa	Paid	Paid	Matchday	DFL Soccer (L)	
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Light of Southwest		Essentials	Mission	In Touch Ministries		On Wings	Messiah	Shepherd's Heart		Nuevo Vida	
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Minute	Secrets	In Search	Paid	Sunday Today (N)		Meet the Press (N)		Paid	Paid	Good Y.	Paid
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Sesame	D.Tiger	PinkaPot	Splash&	Sid	Cat	Wild Kratts		O. Squad	Arthur	Cyberch.	Tenors
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Pagado	Pagado	Programa	pagado	Dr. Juan		Al gusto		Aqui y ahora		Fútbol	Fútbol
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		LatiNat.	Latino	Spaces	Homes.	Green	Hamilton	PenPenin	Garden	First Baptist Church		P. Blues	P. Blues
FLIX	340	575		185		(119) ★★ A Beautiful Mind ('01, Dra) Russell Crowe.				(445) ★★ Middlehood				(119) ★★ Major League II Charlie Sheen.			
HBO	300	308	14	14		(600) Freaky Friday ('18, Com)		(600) ★ Freaky Friday ('18, Com)		(600) ★★ The Italian Job Mark Wahlberg.		Hard Knocks '18		David Benio			
HBO2	302	591	15	101	23	(5:30) Die Hard II: Die Harder		(5:30) ★ Die Hard II: Die Harder		(445) ★★ Nutty Professor II: The Klumps		Bill Maher		LastWeek	Insecure	Movie	
HBO5	304	592	16	102		(5:30) ★★★★ Adam		Real Sports (N)		★ Murder on the Orient Express				★★★ Kiss Kiss Bang Bang			
MAX	320	557	17	120	24	Movie	(5:55) ★★ Light It Up Vanessa L. Williams.			★★★ Kong: Skull Island Tom Hiddleston.				★★ Presumed Harrison Ford.			
MAX2	322	559	19	122		(5:55) ★★ Romeo Must Die ('00, Act) Jet Li.		(5:55) ★ I Love You, Beth Cooper		(445) ★ Why Him? ('16, Com) James Franco.				Movie			
PLEX			96			Movie	(5:55) ★★★ Stargate: Continuum			★★ Solo Mark Van Peebles.		(5:55) ★★ Gibraltar Peter Lupus.				Starzin.	
SHOW	320	588	19	140	25	(5:30) ★ Confession...		Shameless		Shameless		Shameless		Shameless		Shameless	
TMC	336	573	22	150	26	Movie	★ Crossing Jules Kristy Swanson.			★★ Vantage Point				(5:55) ★★ E-19: The Widowmaker Harrison Ford.			
ABE	27	58	28	35	47	Hoarders "Glen/ Lisa"		Hoarders		Hoarders		Hoarders		Born Behind Bars (N)		Born Behind Bars (N)	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(10) MASH	(10) MASH	(10) MASH	(10) MASH	(10) MASH	(10) MASH	(10) ★ The Godfather: Uncut ('72, Dra) Al Pacino, Marlon Brando.					
BET	58	-		40		Showdown of Faith		Payne	(5:55) Payne	(10) Payne	(10) Payne	(5:55) House of Payne		Browns	Browns	Browns	Browns
BRAVO	65	78		41		Top Chef		(5:55) Top Chef		(5:55) Top Chef		Top Chef "Finale"		To Be Announced		To Be Announced	
CNBC	46	52		39	72	(5:30) Paid Program											
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	New Day Sunday		Inside Politics		State of the Union		Forced Zakaria (EP)		Reliable Sources		State of the Union	
DISC	50	68	31	34	42	Maverick	Angler's	Local	Fishing	Treasure Quest		Treasure Quest		Build Off Grid Wolfe		MontanaEarthHome	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Puppy	Vampirina	Rapunzel	Gravity	Mightiest	BuckTal.	BigCity	BigCity	Raven's.	Raven's.	Andi M.	Andi M.
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		E:60 (N)		Baseball Little League World Series (L)				Baseball	Football
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	Pl Auto Racing Belgian Grand Prix		Pl Grid		(445) Pl Auto Racing Belgian Grand Prix (L)		SportsCenter (N)				SportsCenter (N)	
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	(5:30) FOX & Friends Sunday						Morning Futures		MediaBuzz		America's News HQ	
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Rules	Heart	BBQ	Cooking	Pioneer	Pioneer	Pioneer	Pioneer	Eat (N)	CajunAce	Southern	Bites (N)
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	(445) ★★ What to Expect When You're Expecting					(445) ★★ Monster-in-Law		
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	Paid	OU Ball	OU Spot	Spotlight	Paid	Paid	Texas Live		XPoints	Insider	Focus. (N)	Polaris
FX	31	56	59	64	60	Mike&Mi.	Mike&Mi.	Mike&Mi.	Mike&Mi.	★★★★ Love Survives ('14, Act) Matt Wahlberg.					★ 13 Hours: The Secret Sold...		
HALLMARK	54	71	50		34	The Art of Us ('17, Dra) Taylor Cole.				★ Portrait of Love ('15, Dra) Bree Williamson.				★ Surprised by Love Hilarie Burton.			
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Flippers	Desert Flip	Flippers	Flippers	Flippers	Flippers	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop
HISTORY	71	59	25	50	43	Top Gear		Top Gear		Counting Cars: Drive		"Ailing Point" (N)				Forged Fire "Tahoe"	
LIFETIME	28	30	25	29	48	In Touch	Truths	Amazing	David Jer.	I.Osteen	Paid	★ Under the Bed ('16, Thr) Hannah New.				★ Deadly Lessons	
MSNBC	47	53		49	73	News (N)	Business	Politics&Nation (N)		MSNBC Live		AM Joy				MSNBC Live (N)	
NBCSN	38	43				Matchday	PL Mornings (L)	EPL Soccer Crystal Palace at Watford (L)				PLMing		(5:55) EPL Soccer Chelsea vs. Newcastle (L)			
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	Sponge	Sponge	P Ranger	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	PAW	PAW
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Paid Program		Paid	Paid	E. Fever	Off-Road	Truck Y.	B.Muscle	Bar Res.	(5:55) Bar Rescue		Bar Res.
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	Paid	Paid	Twilight	★ Tomorrowland ('15, Adv) George Clooney, Brit Robertson.						★ This Legend of Hercules		
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Queens	Queens	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Brooklyn	Brooklyn		★★★ O Brother, Where Art Thou?		
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(5:30) Warlock		(:15) ★★★★ The Guns of Navarone ('61, War) Gregory Peck.							★★ The Bluest of the Fishermen		
TELE	20	-	10	20		Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Liga extra	(5:55) EPL Fútbol Chelsea vs Newcastle (L)			
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	My 600-lb Life	
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	LawOrder "Marathon"		Law & Order "Prey"		Law & Order		LawOrder "Sundown"		Law & Order		LawOrder "Collision"	
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	(:15) Chris	(:55) K. Gibb	(:55) The Golden Girls		K. Gibb		(:55) K.Gibb	(:55) K.Gibb	(:55) The Golden Girls		K. Gibb	K. Gibb
USA	26	55	42	27	48	Paid	T.Point	In Touch	J.Osteen	Chrisley	Mlb	Suits		SVU "Scorched Earth"		SVU "Double Strands"	
WGN	19	85				Lord	Creflo	Leading	Beyond	In Host of Night		In Host of Night		Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops

SUNDAY AFTERNOON — AUGUST 26, 2018

For Complete Information

	G	S	R	C	W	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	IZ Games "Real Moto"		Arthur Asks IOA's"		Baseball Little League World Series (L)					Paid	News (N)	Paid
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	NFL Preview (N)		PGA Golf The Northern Trust Site: Ridgewood Country Club -- Paramus, N.J. (L)								NewsFrom.	News (N)
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Bradpt.	Bradpt.	FacioLife	Strokes	Gilligan	Gilligan	Mama'sF.	Mama'sF.	Jeffers.	Jeffers.	The Love Boat	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	(11:00) DFL Soccer (L)		Fall Preview (N)		Football&Kickoff (N)							
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	News	Shelter	Master	Creation	Light of Southwest		Light of Southwest		Heritage	Enlighten	Jerusalem	Housecall
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Paid	Trafficgar	Paid	Paid	Fresh Y.	Paid	Paid	Triathlon			Inside Ed.	News (N)
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	(11:00) Texas Towns		Ethan Berkley			The Texans: Fan Favorites			News		News. (N)	Japan
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	(11:00) DFL Fútbol BUAP at Querétaro (L)				Republica deportiva		Como dice el dicho		Al gusto		Nacional	Sinfonia
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Wonder	Bucket List	Green	Homes	Cars.TV	LAHabits	Entertainment		Mining	Carnaval	Daily	Paid
FLIX	340	575		185		★★★ Charlie Wilson's War		(:45) ★★★ The Wedding Man Kevin Conga.						★★★★ Frost Of Midges.		(:15) ★ Emergency	
HBO	300	308	14	14		(:15) ★ Jackass Presents: 3 (ish) Johnny Knoxville.				(:15) Bill Maher		(:15) VICE		(:45) ★ Father Figures Owen Wilson.		Movie	
HBO2	302	591	15	101	23	(11:00) ★★★★ Atomic Blonde		Movie		(:45) Shameless "Vanish"		(:45) Shameless "Out"		(:45) Shameless "Ego"		(:15) Ramy Objects	
HBO5	304	592	16	102		(:15) ★★★★ The Silence of the Lambs				(:45) ★★★★ Identity				(:45) ★ The Snowman (2017)			
MAX	320	557	17	120	24	(:15) ★★★★ Gleason Pelotas Mook				Outcast	(:45) ★★★ Sacred Weapons Johnny Depp.				★★★★★ Eloquent Vita			
MAX2	322	559	19	122		(11:00) ★★ Volcano	(:55) ★★★ Edge of Darkness Mel Gibson.							(:55) ★★★ Once Upon a Time in Mexico		(:45) ★ Terminator...	
PLEX			96			Shark...	★★★ Rift 2 Bryan Brown.			(:55) ★ Poltergeist II: The Other				(:55) ★★★★ Vampire: Conference			
SHOW	320	588	19	140	25	Shameless		Shameless		Shameless		Shameless		Shameless		Shameless	
TMC	336	573	22	150	26	★★★★ Christmas ('18, Fan) Keith Gordon.				★★★ Christmas				(:55) ★ Rail or High Water		(:55) ★★ Cell	
ABE	27	58	28	35	47	Born Behind Bars (N)		★★★ 12 Rounds ('09, Act) Aiden Gillen, John Cena.						★★★ Limitless ('11, Myst) Bradley Cooper.			Aliens
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(:15) ★ The Godfather: Uncut ('72, Dra) Al Pacino, Marlon Brando.				(:45) ★ The Godfather II: Uncut A Mafia chief's life is contrasted with flashbacks of his father's early days.							FearRead
BET	58	-		40		Movie		(:55) ★★★ What's Love Got to Do With It? Angela Bassett.							(:55) ★★ Diary of a Mad Black Woman		
BRAVO	65	78		41		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		Million Dollar List		Real Wives Dallas		Real Housewives		Real Housewives	
CNBC	46	52		39	72	(5:30) Paid Program						Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank	
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	Fareed Zakaria GPS		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
DISC	50	68	31	34	42	Alaskan Bush		Wilds Island		Off Grid: Full Throttle		Cliff Notes		Alaskan Bush People		Alaskan Bush People	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Shark&Mol.	Shark&Mol.	Shark&Mol.	Shark&Mol.	Raven's.	Raven's.	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	★ Monsters Univ.	
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	(11:00) N.C. Football -- Wentzville, Ohio (L)					Hofstra	College GameDay		Hofstra Pre-game (N)		SportsCenter (N)	
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	Sportscenter (L)	SportsC. "My Web"			WNBA Basketball Playoffs 1 P.M. (L)				WNBA Basketball Playoffs 1 P.M. vs Seattle (L)			
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	America's News HQ		Fox News Sunday		Journal Editorial R.				America's News HQ		Greg Gutfeld Show	FOX Report
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	The Kitchen		Summer Cookoff		Chopped		Worst Cooks		Guy's Games		Guy's Games	
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	Movie	(:55) ★★★ Final Blow: Mall Cop ('16, Com) Kevin James.							★★★ This Weekday Adam Sandler.		(:55) ★ Just Go Wit...	
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	MLB Baseball Texas vs San Francisco				Inside		Pre-game		MLB Baseball Texas Rangers at San Francisco Giants (L)			
FX	31	56	59	64	60	Movie	(:15) ★ 13 Hours: The Secret ...	★★★★★ Captain America: The Winter Soldier Chris ...							★★ Deadpool Ryan Reynolds.		
HALLMARK	54	71	50		34	★ The Sweetest Heart Kim Cattrall.				★ Proof in Pudding ('18, Act) Jill Wagner.					★★ Happily Ever After Terrence Combs.		
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	Sharing	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain
HISTORY	71	59	25	50	43	Forged In Fire		Forged In Fire		Forged In Fire		Forged In Fire		Forged In Fire		Forged "Sico Sword"	A. Pickens "Catch-22"
LIFETIME	28	30	25	29	48	(11:00) ★ Deadly Les...		★ His Second Pond ('16, Thrl) Isabel Bisenaga.				★ The Winning Combo ('18, Dra) Vivica A. Fox.				★ My Husband's S...	
MSNBC	47	53		49	73	MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		Meet the Press	
NBCSN	38	43				Langers Good Zone (L)		Title is Football (N)		AAA Motocross Ironman National						Motors Auto Auctions "Monterey" (N)	
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	PAW	PAW	Level U.	Level U.	Level U.	Level U.	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	(11:00) Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	Movie	★★ Gods of Egypt ('16, Adv) Gerard Butler.							★★★★ Pillars of Perdition: The Sands of Time			Movie
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	MLB Baseball Boston Red Sox at Tampa Bay Rays (L)								★★★★ 300 ('06, Act) Gerard Butler.		★ 21 Jump Street	
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	Movie	(:45) ★★★★ Lust for Life ('56, Bio) Kirk Douglas.							★★★★★ Miss Sophie's Nation Brando.		★ 21 Jump Street	
TELE	20	-	10	20		Liga Premier (L)		★ Operation: El tiempo del olvido						★ The Warrior's Way Dong-gun Jang.		Pagado	Pagado
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	(11:00) My 600-lb Life	My 600-lb Life "Nana and Lori's Story"							Unexpected	Unexpected	90 Day "Reunion"	
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	★★★★ Witch Who Went Shopping				★★★★ Standard Op				(:15) Cold Pursuit Liam Neeson.		★★★★ Bridesmaids	Movie
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	K. Gibb	K. Gibb	K. Gibb	K. Gibb	K. Gibb	K. Gibb	Nicky	Jesse	Jesse 1/2	Nicky 2/2	Nicky	Nicky
USA	26	55	42	27	48	Law & Order: S.V.U.	Law & Order: S.V.U.	Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.	
WGN	19	85				Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Mom Blends "Pilot"	

SUNDAY PRIME TIME — AUGUST 26, 2018

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	G	S	R	C	W	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	America's Funniest Home Videos		Celebrity Family Feud (N)		The 21st ABC Pyramid (N)		To Tell the Truth (N)	Big 2	News (N)	Nightline	Weekend	
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	60 Minutes		Big Brother (N)		Salt "Island for Scandal"		NCIS: Los Angeles "All In Single"	CBS 7	News (N)	Outdoors	Late Night	
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	The Odd Couple	The Odd Couple	Columbo "No Time to Die" Investigating the disappearance of his mechanic's bride.		Family	Family	Hawaii Five-0 "Ua Hoa Ia"		News (N)	Outdoors	Late Night	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Mind... the Universe		The Simpsons		Family Guy		Bless the Harts		News (N)		Family Guy	
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Shepherd's Heart		Essentials		Light of the Southwest		Light of the Southwest					
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9					NFL Football Pre-season Arizona Cardinals at Dallas Cowboys (L)							
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Washington Chronicle		Washington Chronicle		Washington Chronicle		Washington Chronicle					
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Aqui y ahora		Mira quien baila				Children					
FLIX	340	575		185													
HBO	300	308	14	14													
HBO2	302	591	15	101	23												
HBO5	304	592	16	102													
MAX	320	557	17	120	24												
MAX2	322	559	19	122													
PLEX			96														
SHOW	320	588	19	140	25												
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The Latin Boyz Cadets dancing group waits to perform during a quinceanera at the Latino Ballroom on May 19 in Garland.

PARTY

From 1E

I'm able to maintain myself."

A QUINCEANERA BUSINESS

Behind the Latin Boyz Cadets is founder and owner David Hernandez, 29, of Dallas. He started his business after his dancing skills landed him in a dozen quinces as a teenager.

Hernandez saw how rigorous quinceanera planning can be. People underestimate the amount of time and skills it takes to put on a show. The chambelans role of presenting the birthday girl and dancing can be a stressful experience of learning choreographed routines and buying special outfits.

And sometimes, people drop out, adding chaos to the event planning.

That's where Hernandez saw a business opportunity. He could bring the quinceanera her perfect night with professional chambelans who had impeccable dance routines and outfits.

Hernandez was 18 when he suggested the business idea to his parents, and they immediately supported him. His mom sewed the suits for the Latin Boyz Cadets. His dad drove when needed.

For the first three years, Hernandez said he didn't make any money. But later Hernandez became more known in the area and event bookings started to come in.

Now he's scheduled for performances through December 2019.

Hiring the Latin Boyz Cadets comes at a premium price. Quinceanera practices and the dance performance start around $700 and go up to $1,900.

BECOMING A CADET

There's no application process to become a cadet. But it takes dedication.

The guys are required to practice until they're ready to perform in quinceaneras. They aren't paid for practices, but once they start dancing in shows they can make from $50 to $80 an event, depending on experience level.

The more experienced dancers can make about $250 a weekend if they perform at three quinceaneras in a week.

Hernandez said he's seen guys who were impressive dancers from their first practice, but he is especially proud of the once-timid teens who seemed embarrassed that they couldn't dance.

"That's the best," Hernandez said. "They train so hard, and then when they perform, they're pros."

Practices are held in Irving at the Oasis Ballroom. During busy months, there are about three rooms of teens going through dance routines.

"Kids think it's impossible to get in. That's how big Latin Cadets has gotten," manager Carlos Robles said.

THE BIG SHOW

Big performance nights for the cadets usually start in a parking lot, with a cloud of hairspray and bottles of shoe polish.

Barajas and his fellow Latin Boyz Cadets shine their shoes and put on their suit jackets, rushing to get to the party by 7:30 p.m.

"All right, let's go," said Hernandez, who's driving them. He looked down at his watch. The guys, checking on their latest likes, pull out their phones and look at their Instagram profiles one more time.

"Hey, guys! Come on, let's go, let's go!" Hernandez shouts.

The cadets line up in their suits and are assigned to their quinces. Hernandez drives one carload while another person takes the others.

As the night goes on, there's outfit changes and plenty of Instagram and Snapchat videos.

"I don't get nervous," Barajas said of performance nights. "It's not stressful. I'm making money from what I like to do."

"You all look so handsome!" a woman says to the cadets before their performance. On cue, they start marching out to the dance floor, with their hands placed behind their backs.

The teenage girls squeal as the guys come out.

The cadets might not know Heidy Navarro, the girl whose quince they're dancing at. But they perform with her for an hour as if they were longtime friends. They make sure to autograph her guest book, too.

"Un applauso muy fuerte por favor para los Latin Cadets (Please give a big hand for the Latin Cadets)," the madam of ceremonies says at their finale.

The cadets leave the ballroom, jump into their cars and rush to their last Saturday night performance.

Practice for the next quinceanera starts on Sunday.

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Lucky Franco, center, teaches the Latin Boyz Cadets dancers some new moves during a rehearsal July 24 at Oasis Ballroom in Irving. The all-male troupe performs at quinceaneras.

STUDIO

From 1E

Freedman convinced me to move to Los Angeles to dance professionally," she said.

That was not bad advice from a choreographer who's worked with Britney Spears, Beyoncé and Cher. The move to L.A. wasn't immediate, though. On graduation night in 2005, Tanner drove to Dallas for auditions, went to New York and then ended up dancing for the cruise liner Royal Caribbean for two years.

When she was 19, Tanner was chosen for "Dance War: Bruno vs. Carrie Ann," which was filmed in Los Angeles; the show lasted one season. She also had opportunities to dance for Miley Cyrus, Katy Perry, Selena Gomez, Taylor Swift and others.

"It was really about being in the right place at the right time," she said. "I was very lucky, and for six years, kept working and working."

She then stepped in for Julianna Hough on the "DWTS" tour, which brought her to Midland.

"That's so funny to look back on that tour and see that we were here," she said. "Little did I know I'd end up living here."

After the tour, she worked on "Entourage the Movie," with the Pussycat Dolls, appeared on the Grammys and did charity events for Jennifer Lopez. Then a friend asked for some help on the movie "La La Land."

She said her friend needed help with the movie's choreography, but her family was going to come first.

"Mother needed help running the studio because my grandmother was ill, so I was in the process of moving back to Louisiana," she said. "I flew back and forth to help out" on the film.

The movie was an Oscar- and Golden Globe-winner.

"If I had known how good it was going to be, I may not have made such a rash decision, but you have no idea," she said. "It was honestly bittersweet, and I wished I could have invested more time."

She also had her own family to think about: her then-new husband and baby. That would lead to her decision to open a dance studio.

"As a mom, I wanted to share what I know with people and children, but I was waiting for the right time to present itself," she said.

Then her husband was offered an oilfield position in Midland.

"We moved here a year ago. I was in L.A. and told him I'd stop in Midland as a pit stop and really never left," she said. "We knew we'd end up making a life here, so it was now or never."

And with that, she celebrated a soft opening of classes over the summer and then the grand opening earlier this month.

Her goal is to share the thrill of dancing.

"My mother is 66, and she dances all day every day. I inherited that from her, so I plan to keep dancing and teaching until I can't. What a blessing to do what I love."

CALENDAR

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AUG. 26-SEPT. 1

TODAY

CLOSING: The ninth annual Midland County Fair will feature food, live music, carnival and more. New this year is the Lone Star Wars Exhibition and the Midland Farmers Market. Noon-8 p.m. at the Midland County Horseshoe, 2514 Arena Trail. $5. midlandcofair.com.

Gran Coleadero with La Reunion Norteno, Nachito Galindo, Jacob Garcia and the Twisted Texas Band and more. 1 p.m. at La Hacienda Event Center, 12610 State Highway 191. $10. haciendamidland.com.

CLOSING: "Celebrate Texas" features Texas artists. Closes today. Hours are 2-5 p.m. At the Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. Free. noelartmuseum.org.

West Texas Legends in Line dance classes. 2-3:30 p.m. Sundays through Aug. 26 at Love to Dance Studio, 2817 JBS Parkway. $5. Lovetodancestudio.com.

Kansas, 7:30 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $45- $89.50. wagnernoel.com.

MONDAY

Art Smart acrylic painting with Sue Daniel. The project will be Claude Monet's "Bouquet of Sunflowers" painted in 1881. All the materials are provided. 9 a.m. at Midland Senior Center, 3303 W. Illinois Ave. $15. seniorlinkmidland.org.

"Curious George: Let's Get Curious!" is based on the familiar characters in H.A. and Margret Rey's stories and inspired by the animated PBS television series. Free 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Saturday through Sept. 9 at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2511 W. Loop 250 N.

Bridge game play, 6:45 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays; 1 p.m. Tuesdays; 10:30 a.m. Saturdays; 1:30 p.m. Sundays. Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. $6. For more information call 682-8595.

Midland Community Band's weekly meeting and rehearsal at Midland College Fine Arts Building Band Hall. 7-9 p.m. New members welcome and some instruments are available for use at the college. Contact 553-0632 for more information.

TUESDAY

Palette Club Painting, 9 a.m.to noon at the Palette Club, 907 W. Wadley Ave. paletteclubmidland.com.

Writing for Fun 10 a.m. at Midland Senior Center, 3303 W. Illinois Ave. seniorlinkmidland.org.

Watercolor art classes by Sara Drescher. The class is for all levels. 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. at Arts Council of Midland, 1506 W. Illinois Ave. acmidland.org.

Permian Basin Dance Club with live country music, 7:30 p.m. at Midland Downtown Lions Club, 200 Plaza St. $6. For more information, call 432-638-3707.

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, 2511 W. Loop 250 N.

Wednesday Storytime with crafts for preschool children. 11 a.m. weekly at Barnes and Noble, 2617 West Loop 250 N. barnesandnoble.com.

Quilting Bee with the Midland Quilters Guild. Some supplies provided; additional supplies are welcome. Register online. 1-5 p.m.at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250. tinyurl.com/midlandquilters.

THURSDAY

West Texas Dance Club with live country music, 7:30-10 p.m. at 208 W. VFW Way in Odessa. 697-0281 or 631-6125.

"The Greatest Love of All: The Whitney Houston Show" with Belinda Davis. 8 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $25- $65. wagnernoel.com.

FRIDAY

Permian Basin Fair and Expo will feature a petting zoo, carnival rides, farming and ranching exhibits, the Cherreada Rodeo and more. Through Sept. 9 at Ector County Coliseum. $10 general admission, $8 seniors and children. Pbfair.com.

Craig Elliott. 7 p.m. at Mac's Bar-B-Q and Catering, 2400 W. Indiana Ave. macstexasbbq.com.

CLOSING: The 70th Season of Summer Mummers: "Diabolical Deeds on the Diamond or Wait - Was that a Squirrel in the Infield?" 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the Yucca Theatre, 208 N. Colorado St. $12-$25. MCTmidland.org.

SATURDAY

West Texas Talent Search Semi-finals. 8-10:30 p.m. at MCM Grande Hotel and FUNDome, 6201 E. Business 20, Odessa. $10. westexastalent.com.

ON DISPLAY

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Visions 2018: "Places and Things." This exhibit features works by Midland artist Maggie Walker-Nelson. On display through Sept. 9 at Arts Council of Midland, 1506 W. Illinois Ave. acmidland.org.

"Resonance" featuring new artwork by Sara Drescher is the final exhibition of the 2018 Contemporary Series: On display through Nov. 11. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. from Tuesday through Saturday, and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday at Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. museumsw.org.

Artwork by Catherine Allen at The Black Hen Gallery, 2034 W. Cuthbert Ave. mydharmaart.com.

Blakemore Planetarium at the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Dome shows Tuesdays -Saturdays. Closed Sunday and Monday. museumsw.org.

George Bush Childhood Home. Tours and gift shop hours are 2-5 p.m. Sundays and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturdays. Admission charged. 1412 W. Ohio Ave. 685-1112.

Midland Army Airfield Museum. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturdays. 9600 Wright Drive. Free admission. highskywing.org.

Midland County Historical Society's Z. Taylor Brown-Sara Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland. Open by appointment. 213 N. Weatherford St. 682-5447.

Options Gallery, Odessa College, 201 W. University Blvd. Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Friday 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday 2-5 p.m. Free. 335-6640. odessa.edu.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, 1500 Interstate 20 West. Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday 2-5 p.m. 683-4403. pbpetro.org.

Scarborough-Lineberry House, 802 S. Main St. Call for appointment. Available for rental for weddings and special occasions. 685-7368. midlandtexas.gov.

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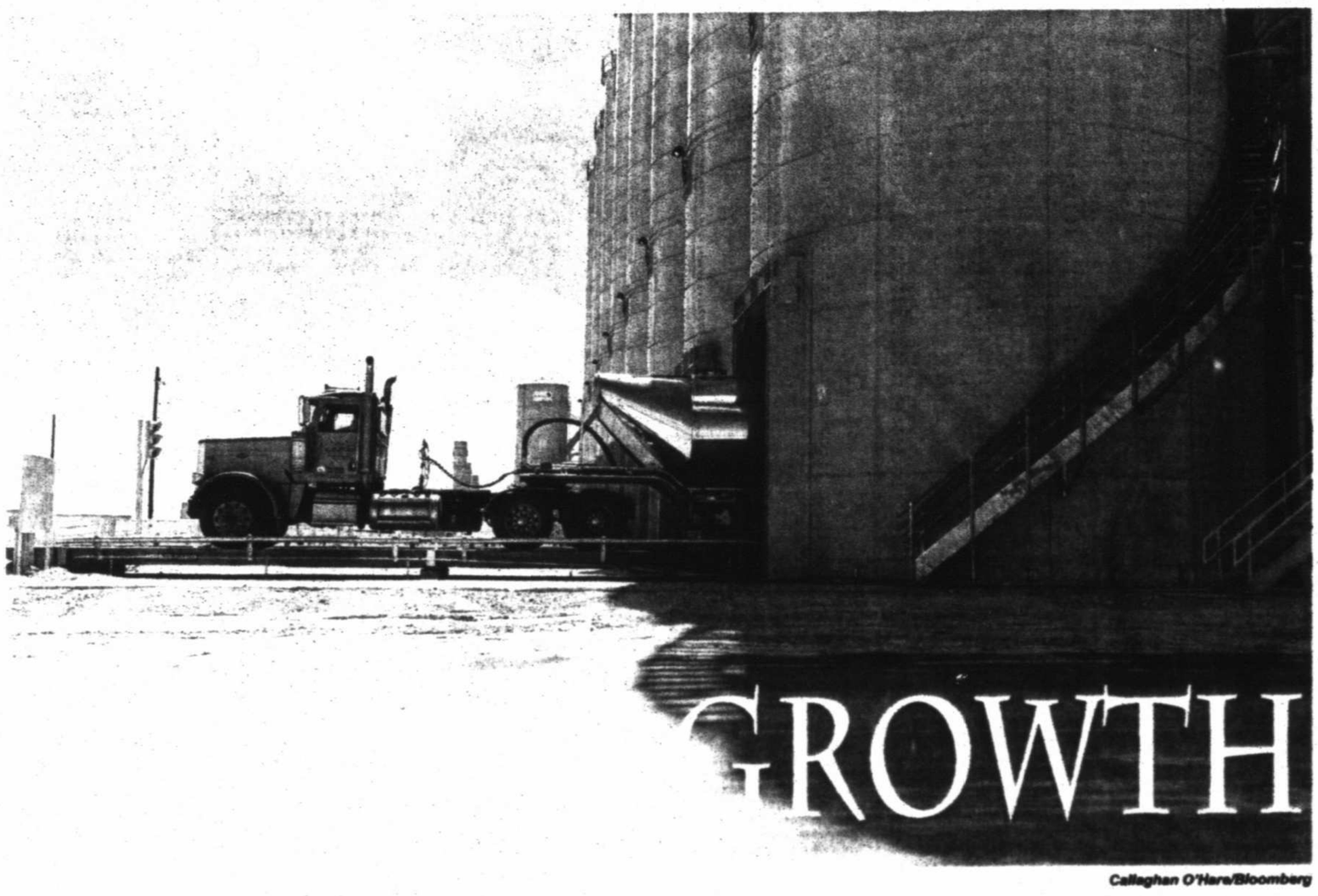

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A semi truck is loaded with sand at the Black Mountain Sand LLC Vest Mine in Winkler County on June 19. In the West Texas plains, frack-sand mines suddenly seem to be popping up everywhere. Twelve months ago, none of them existed — together, these mines will ship some 22 million tons of sand this year to shale drillers in the Permian Basin.

'Extreme' growth in frac sand fueled by activity

Researcher says he was surprised by how quickly mining companies arrived in Texas

By Mella McEwen
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That rising oil and gas exploration and production, more investment and escalating proppant intensity is driving "extreme" growth in demand for proppant sand was no surprise to Brandon Savisky.

Savisky, senior market research analyst, cost and technology at IHS Markit, studied the issue as he worked on a report: IHS Markit ProppantIQ 2Q2018 Analysis. He found that market value for proppant sand has jumped from $1.2 billion in 2016 to more than $4 billion this year and is expected to climb to nearly $6 billion by 2023.

"How quickly players popped up in the Texas market surprised me," he said in a phone interview from his Houston office.

The growth has its roots in the recent oil price downturn, when "everyone was trying to cut spending, cut everything," Savisky said. That led operators to switch from coated or ceramic proppants to cheaper, more abundant plain sand.

That "brown" sand is increasingly being mined within the Permian Basin by companies that have cropped up, significantly reducing transportation costs, delivery times and competition for supply.

"You're seeing a lot of players producing a little more and outstripping demand" as producers temper their output amid concerns about takeaway capacity constraints, Savisky said.

"It's not so much that operators are pulling back. They're still continuing their guidance; they're spending more for big completions. But they want to do it smartly and how to best optimize production," he said.

They may tap the brakes or invest more in the Eagle Ford or other producing basins where there's more takeaway capacity, he said.

"There won't be as much impact as Wall Street fears, or on sand demand," he said.

With the little bit of oversupply in the local and regionally produced sand supply, Savisky predicted there may be a halt in some new-build or expansions of existing facilities. He said he expects mining facilities that have been announced, are under construction or in the process of being permitted will be completed.

Total North American proppant demand is forecast to exceed 168 billion pounds this year, a gain of 27 percent. Of that 168 billion pounds, sand will account for 162 billion pounds, up 29 percent year-over-year. By 2023, sand demand will soar to an estimated 231 billion pounds, an increase of 113 percent over peak demand levels set in 2014 and far higher than 2011, when the market was slightly more than 51 billion pounds. Savisky said the Permian Basin currently accounts for nearly 40 percent of market demand, with that share rising to almost 50 percent by 2023.

"The biggest hurdle now for not only mining and logistics companies but also for operators is infrastructure and trucking that last mile," Savisky said. "You can put all the sand you want in the Permian Basin, but you still have to get it to location. You can't helicopter it in, you can't just snap your fingers."

He noted that operators and vendors across the supply chain are beginning to work together to address infrastructure issues such as roads and the need for more trucks and truck drivers to haul sand and water and crude.

"It will take work on these projects and investing in communities, as they should have long ago," he said.

Houston driller steps into Permian market after 83 years in operation

By Mella McEwen
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It took a while for Houston's Gulf Coast-focused Nicklos Drilling to decide to head west and enter the Permian Basin drilling market.

The eight-decades-old company took about four years to decide to establish a Permian presence.

The original Nicklos Drilling, founded in 1935, had rigs from South Texas to North Dakota when it sold to Nabors in 1996. Jim Nicklos, whose grandfather founded the company, and Jack Blanton immediately started a new Nicklos Drilling with the intent of keeping it small, manageable and focused on the Gulf Coast.

Roland Smith, senior vice president, recently was in Midland to help establish the company's Permian Basin operations. He said he left a division of a large drilling company intending to start a drilling company in the Permian Basin. But after discussing his plans with Jim Nicklos, company president, he decided to join Nicklos and extend the company's footprint into the Permian.

"There's no grand plan for 100 rigs,"

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Nicklos Drilling

Nicklos Drilling's new Rig 6 will be the first of four rigs to be deployed to the Permian Basin. It is currently being assembled in Gillette, Wyo.

Widening price discounts sending Midland crude to export markets

■ Midland's price pain dominates Permian Triangle

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Price pain for Midland oil and gas operators is dominating the Permian Triangle — which is formed by trunk lines from Midland to Cushing, Oklahoma, Midland to the Gulf Coast and Cushing to the Gulf Coast.

The steep discounts Midland operators are having to offer to sell their crude in the face of takeaway capacity constraints are encouraging the flow of crude from Midland to the Gulf Coast and export markets, according to Sandy Fielden, director, oil and products research at Morningstar.

In his second paper on the Permian Triangle,

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Petroleum index continues to climb

■ Price fallout from pipeline constraints beginning to undercut growth

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The three main legs of the Permian Basin regional oil and gas economy — crude prices, rig count and drilling permits — remain well below their highs reached in 2014-2015. But they remain strong enough to propel the Texas Permian Basin Petroleum Index sharply higher.

Karr Ingham, the Amarillo economist who prepares the index, says it jumped 5 percentage points from May to June and is 27 percent higher than the June 2017 index. Still, he said that the index remains about 60 points below its peak set in November 2014 as crude prices were beginning to fall.

Even with the index and its three primary drivers well below their highs,

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Smith said. "We'll start with four rigs and if we go to six, great."

The way Smith sees it, the success of a drilling company rests on three legs.

The first leg is, "you need the right rigs." He said the company is doubling its fleet by purchasing four rigs to deploy in the Permian Basin. The four will be 1500 HP walking rigs with7500 psi capabilities and AC top drives.

The second leg is capital. He said drilling companies come into the region underfunded and quickly fail.

The third is what Smith calls the most important leg of a drilling company's success: people.

"The human resources aspect is so tough to get (out here)," Smith said. "That's what I was the most nervous about. But that's been the easiest piece. But having an 80-year-old reputation behind you helps. People respect it."

He said the company is paying wages that are a little higher than the market rate and paying 100 percent of employees' insurance. The company recently hired Jerry Ware as West Texas drilling superintendent. Ware, who has more than 25 years operational management experience, first came to the Permian in 2010 and managed the start-up of two major drilling contractors in the area.

"That third leg plays such an important role. If crews work together continually, that brings a lot of efficiencies that are not on the spec sheet," Smith said.

It also brings safety, he said. "Senior, tenured employees: You get that when you care for your employees."

"Everyone is talking about the Permian," he said. "They come here, they don't have all three legs, it doesn't work out, they go home. So many companies don't think long-term. It took Nicklos four years to decide to come to Midland."

Drilling companies are challenged because the industry has changed so significantly because od efficiency gains and technological advances.

"You used to drill wells in 30 to 60 days and get a day rate per day," Smith said. "Now it's shrunk to 17 to 19 days."

While those efficiencies are great, they impact the rates drilling companies earn as well as their employees. It is easy to measure the additional stress on equipment; however, keeping up with employees' well-being proves to be more of a challenge, he said.

The answer, he said, is long-term contracts. Drilling contractors seek six-month to three-year contracts with clients to justify the investment required to keep up with the changes.

Yet another challenge is to build the newest in drilling rigs, at a cost of $25 million to $30 million each, or upgrade older rigs, he said.

"There's only so much updating to a rig you can do. At the end of the day it's still a 20- or 30-year-old rig," Smith said. "And a rig that was drilling 5,000-foot vertical wells is now drilling 10,000-foot laterals."

The rigs Nicklos is bringing to the Permian Basin were built to drill in the Bakken. The company that was selling them considered moving to the Permian but decided to stay in the Rocky Mountain region and upgrade its fleet to new AC rigs, Smith said.

"It's hard to work a rig that's more than 10 years old up there, with the emissions regulations and other regulations," he said.

He acknowledged that now may not be the best of times for a drilling company to enter the Permian Basin market as pipeline constraints are prompting oil and gas producers to tamp down on activity.

"We're seeing the drilling rig market lighten a little, which is not great for us," Smith said. "But a little bit of lightening is probably good for the market. I've talked to a few operators who plan to keep drilling, at some level, but not complete all their wells. When the new pipeline capacity comes online, it will be

Israel comes to Houston, seeking partners to develop gas reserves

By Jordan Blum
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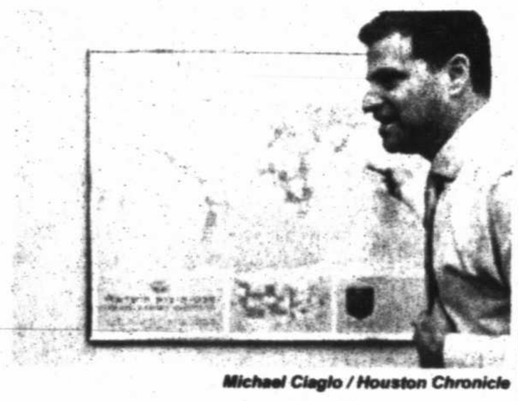

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Israel's first energy and economic consul, Shay Luvshis, points out the country's energy buyers on a map July 25 in Houston. Luvshis has been stationed in Houston to help Israel find their next oil and gas partner from the US.

At a time when energy companies are positioning themselves for a lower-carbon world by investing heavily in natural gas, it would seem relatively easy to sell them on developing huge reserves of the cleaner burning fuel. Unless those reserves are in the territorial waters of Israel.

Nearly a decade after natural gas was discovered off its coast, Israel is still struggling to enlist foreign firms to explore its vast deposits in the Mediterranean Sea, in part because oil and gas companies are wary of alienating Arab countries in which they have long done business. So far only one foreign company, Noble Energy of Houston, is operating there. And last year, when Israel launched its first-ever auction of offshore blocks, it attracted just two bidders — a Greek company and a group from India.

This history is what brought Shay Luvshis to Houston. Luvshis, 38, is Israel's energy consul, sent here to recruit American and international oil and gas firms to explore Israeli waters in the Eastern Mediterranean Sea. About a year after opening an office here, the Energy Ministry's first outside of Israel, Luvshis says he and other officials have held advanced talks with ExxonMobil, the French oil major Total and the Australian oil and gas company Woodside Petroleum, among others.

Exxon and Total declined to comment. Woodside said it regularly reviews opportunities around the world.

"If everything had gone well (in the past) we wouldn't be here," said Luvhsis. "Israel is the new kid on the block as an emerging energy region."

Israel has long been the odd-man out, energy-wise, in the Middle East, home to some of the world's biggest oil producers, and the subject of wisecracks about ending up in one of the few places in the region without oil. All that changed in 2009, when Noble Energy discovered natural gas in the Tamar field about 50 miles off the Israeli coast, in waters more than 5,000 feet deep. Noble followed that in 2010 with another discovery in the Leviathan field, about 30 miles southwest of Tamar.

Israel and Luvshis are now searching for the next Noble or, more precisely, the next several Nobles, a search that runs headlong into geopolitics. One large oil company, which Luvshis declined to name, refused to take a meeting with him out of fear of damaging its relations with Arab countries, most of which don't recognize Israel. At a recent cocktail party in Houston, he said, the company's executives admitted as much to him.

Middle East politics, however, have not been the only hurdle for Israel's efforts to attract international energy companies. Israel's regulatory framework for developing the gas fields is new and untested, as Noble's experience illustrated. Amid public uproar and litigation over who should benefit from Israel's s natural resources, the Israeli government eventually forced Noble to reduce its ownership stake and banned the Houston producer from participating in bidding for more offshore blocks to promote competition.

Noble earlier this year sold 7.5 percent of its holdings in the Tamar project, reducing its stake to 32.5 percent. It holds a 40 percent share in the Leviathan development.

Despite the controversies and shifting regulatory climate, Noble says it is happy working in Israel. But its roller coaster ride has added another level of unease about doing business among energy companies in Israel, analysts said.

"Israel has a pretty tough sell in the current environment," said Jim Krane, a Rice University fellow for energy studies in the Middle East. "It's resolved now, but Noble was pretty unhappy. A lot of companies that might have been attracted to Israel were turned off by that."

A Noble story

Noble, founded more than 85 years ago as Samedan Oil Corp., acquired its first offshore block in the Gulf of Mexico in the late 1960s. As it grew over the years, it sought to extend its success to international waters and found willing partners in Israel, including its partner in the Tamar and Leviathan field, the Delek Group, one of Israel's largest oil and gas companies.

Noble made small natural gas discoveries in 1999 and 2000, but it took 10 more years of advances in seismic imaging technologies before Noble found the vast reserves of the Tamar and Leviathan beneath salt formations. Those finds combine for close to 30 trillion cubic feet of gas, enough to power Israel for decades.

For Noble, the fields will equate to almost 20 percent of its global production after the $4 billion Leviathan project comes online at the end of 2019. Noble's Leviathan platform is under construction near Corpus Christi.

"It's really the emergence of a new deepwater basin," said Keith Efliott, Noble's senior vice president for the Eastern Mediterranean.

But with the big discoveries came a lot of attention from politicians, regulators and the Israeli public. Suddenly, Israel was rich in energy, and for the first time, had to wrestle with how it would develop the resource and who would benefit from it. Noble had the backing of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, but other politicians and citizens criticized the terms of the government's contract with Noble as too generous, arguing that they essentially gave the Houston company a monopoly on the production of natural gas. Some called for the government to nationalize the oil and gas industry.

Ultimately, Noble agreed to less generous terms, divested some of its holdings, and moved forward with its development of Leviathan. Noble can continue to expand within its existing offshore blocks in Israeli waters as well as explore other sections of the Mediterranean under the jurisdiction of other nations, such as Egypt. The region looks promising. In 2015, off the coast of Egypt, the Italian oil and gas company Eni found the Zohr field, which could prove more bountiful than Leviathan.

Elliott said Noble has no hard feelings. Rules, regulations and business practices of the U.S. oil and gas industry have developed over more than 100 years, he noted, while Israel is just getting started.

"It can be kind of frustrating for us," Elliott acknowledged. "But that they were able to get through that whole process in five years is pretty phenomenal."

Looking forward

Luvshis and his team also had a rocky start in Houston. Just two days after arriving, Hurricane Harvey made landfall, forcing their evacuation to Dallas and contributing to delays that kept them from getting their office in Greenway Plaza really running until the beginning of 2018.

Since then, Luvshis, who worked eight years in Economy Ministry before becoming Israel's first energy consul last year, has pushed ahead with efforts to convince oil and gas companies to invest in Israel's nascent industry. Those efforts received a boost in June, when Israel and the U.S. Energy Department agreed to establish a joint Center of Excellence in Energy, Engineering and Water Technology, to develop, share and disseminate technologies in areas important to the energy industry, including fossil fuels, cybersecurity and energy storage and efficiency.

This collaboration with the U.S. industry should be bolstered by a sturdy, certain regulatory regime put in place for the development of Israel's energy resources, Luvshis said. Israeli officials believe another 75 trillion cubic feet of gas is waiting to be discovered in its territorial waters, as well as several billion barrels of crude oil.

Israel plans to put another 20 or so offshore blocks up for auction in November. It has also sweetened the deal for foreign energy companies by allowing them to export more of the natural gas they produce in Israel.

Earlier this year, for example, Delek and Noble signed a $15 billion deal to sell natural gas to Egypt. Noble also has its own eye on two liquefied natural gas processing plants in Egypt, which would allow Noble to export more of the natural gas produced in the region.

In addition, Israel is developing the $7 billion Eastern Mediterranean gas pipeline, nicknamed East Med, that would run to Western Europe through Cyprus and Greece. Ultimately, it could reduce the European dependence on natural gas from Russia, a major concern given the West's tense relations with the government of President Vladmir Putin.

"It's a very ambitious project," Luvshis said. "A couple years ago when we talked about this project, people thought we were hallucinating because it sounds like a dream."

For now, Luvshis faces the reality of selling Israel's energy story. He sees it as a long-term prospect, but added that the time could be ripe for U.S. oil and gas companies to look overseas with commodity markets healthy again. After all, he said, there are more oil and gas fields than just the booming Permian Basin.

"Prices are rising and companies are looking for other opportunities beyond the Permian and the unconventional shale," he said. "Israel is very keen to promote the arrival of new oil and gas companies. We want competition."

Collin Eaton contributed to this report.

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Fielden notes that the West Texas Intermediate-Midland and West Texas Intermediate-Houston differential began the year at about $2.98 a barrel but has widened to average $18.67 in the first half of August. Such a premium has prompted shippers to send crude to the Gulf Coast, but falling capacity is sending crude to Cushing as well, he said. WTI-Cushing began the year at a 77 cent discount to WTI-Midland, but that has flipped to an average $16.03 per barrel premium over WTI-Midland in the first half of the year.

"Differentials could widen if there's no capacity relief," Fielden told the Reporter-Telegram by email. "We've seen discounts for Canadian oil that exceed $30 a barrel, so there's no reason that won't happen from time to time in the Permian Basin."

Fielden said he expects prices will fluctuate amid refinery shutdowns or maintenance reduces demand and as producers build up inventories of wells that were drilled but not completed.

"Given the length of time before full pipeline relief is available, there may be some production shut in, but a slowdown in new output is more likely, since producers are generally reluctant to delay cash flow, and Midland prices are still well above break-even levels that were recently reported at $30-$40/barrel in the Permian by Rystad Energy," he said.

Though higher prices in the export market continue to attract crude flows, low storage levels at Cushing recently pushed up Cushing prices compared to Houston and encouraged more crude to move to Midwest markets, he said.

Replenishing inventories at Cushing "is OK for a while because they are artificially low now," he said. "However, if we get a contango market that encourages storage, that indicates low prompt prices and is bad news for producers."

Exports have helped maintain crude price levels and encouraged drilling, even with discounts, Fielden said. He said the pattern will continue until international markets are oversupplied and overseas prices weaken and collapse.

"When exports retreat, that will signal there is no obvious market for new production and leave storage as the only option for producers, other than deep discounts to compete against heavy crude imports," he said. "So the end of exports will mark the start of the next market 'bust.'"

Once overseas prices weaken, he said domestic crude prices will fall below break-even levels in Midland and bring new drilling to a halt. The timing of such a renewed price collapse depends on declining international demand for U.S. crude exports. A fall in actual consumption or artificial barriers to trade, such as tariffs or sanctions, could drive that decline, Fielden said.

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crude production volumes soared 23.1 percent in June above June 2017 levels, and volumes in the first half of the year climbed 24 percent over the first half of 2017.

Natural gas production volumes, often associated with crude production in the Permian Basin, followed a similar trend, up 21.8 percent in June over last June and up 21.7 percent to date this year over a year earlier.

Crude prices were up sharply over 2017 levels, with the June average of $63.75 a 52.8 percent gain over the $41.71 averaged in June 2017. Prices in the first half of 2018 are averaging $61.86, up 33.3 percent from $46.42 in the same period last year.

The rig count averaged 384 in June, up 24.3 percent from 309 last June and is averaging 358 so far in 2018, up 30.6 percent from 274 a year ago.

There was a slight dip in the number of drilling permits issued in June, with the 747 issued by the Railroad Commission down three from the 750 the commission issued in June 2017. The commission has issued 4,248 so far in 2018, up 15.3 percent from the 3,685 issued last year.

Oil and gas employment continued to rise, with June employment averaging 39,640, up 28.1 percent from 30,955 last June and averaging 37,714 so far in 2018, up 28.6 percent from 29,335 a year ago.

Even so, Ingham said he sees cracks beginning to appear in the Permian Basin's armor, and pipeline constraints are serving as the chisel. He said the regional rig count, primarily in Railroad Commission District 8, was peaking and beginning to decline in June, a trend he said continued into July.

"That's almost certainly tied to growing production relative to takeaway capacity, and the resulting discounts for Permian-produced crude oil and natural gas," Ingham said. "The first casualty of lower prices is the rig count."

He said that crude oil discounts remain at $15 a barrel or higher in some locations. Natural gas prices are off by as much as a third, or more than $1, compared to other pricing locations, he said. June natural gas prices averaged $1.97 per Mcf, down 25.9 percent from $2.66 last June. Prices are averaging $2.29 so far this year, a drop of 17.6 percent from $2.77 last year.

"Rising natural gas production is something producers can't do anything with: They can't market it, they can't get it on the pipeline, they've reached flaring limits. (Their option is) shutting in crude wells," he said.

Ingham said the pipeline constraints and widening price differentials are signals from the markets to producers "to bring us less of that." But there is little evidence so far activity levels have been affected, he said.

Indeed, producers reported 521 oil completions in June, up 71.9 percent from 303 the previous June, and have completed 2,905 oil wells so far in 2018, up 63.3 percent from 1,779 last year. Producers completed 31 natural gas wells in June, up 106.7 percent from 15 last June and have completed 236 gas wells so far this year, up 174.4 percent from 86 in the first half of 2017.

"However, lower prices were almost certain to bring out some observable decline in activity, and it appears as though June is the time in which that became noticeable," Ingham said.

The good news is that the constraints have prompted additional pipeline development that is expected to come online beginning in 2019, Ingham said.

But there are still concerns as pipeline companies rush to expand takeaway capacity, and those are based on the impact of steel tariffs, he said.

"Our concern is on steel tariffs dramatically raising the price of the projects. It may very well change the economics of the pipelines once they're in place. What the pipeline companies would have to recover from producers goes way up. That's the No. 1 leg of concern: the cost to producers. The second leg is retaliation and the potential impact on exports of crude and natural gas. And third, the potential impact on midstream development and development budgets," he said.

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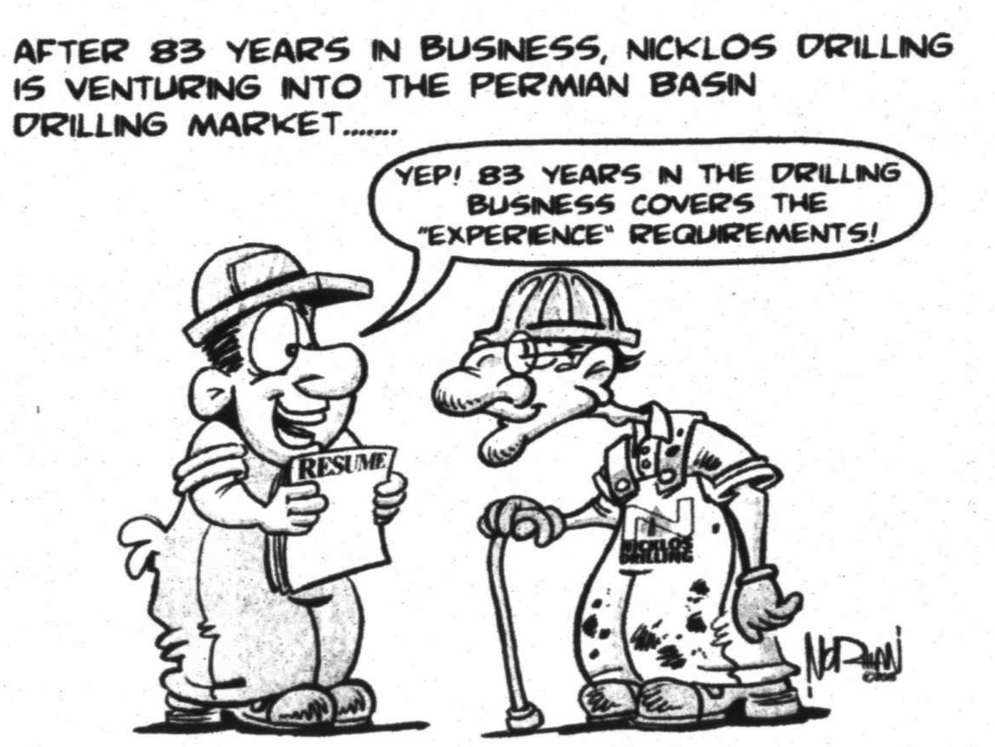

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Energy Transfer Partners*	$64.25	Nymex futures	$66.60*
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Elevation Resources LLC
UL G 1-27N #1H
Emma (Mississippian)-Horizontal; 730 fwl, 505 fsl, Sec 27, Blk 1, Abst. 27U, ULS, 11.3 sw Andrews; TD 15000; API #42-003-47887 Permit issued 8/16

Elevation Resources LLC
UL G 1-27 S #1H
Emma (Mississippian)-Horizontal; 375 fwl, 98 fnl, Sec 27, Blk 1, Abst. 27U, ULS, 11.3 sw Andrews; TD 15000; API #42-003-47888 Permit issued 8/16

Fasken Oil and Ranch Ltd.
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Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 50 fsl, 660 fel, Sec 4, Blk 40, T-3-N, Abst. 109, G&MMB&A, 16.46 ne Andrews; TD 9700; API #42-003-47880 Permit issued 8/15

Lime Rock Resources IV-A LP
UL 14 Oberon #5H
Shafter Lake North (San Andres)-Horizontal; 551 fsl, 1432 fwl, Sec 17, Blk A-33, Abst. 478, PSL, 13.4 nw Andrews; TD 5000; API #42-003-47862 Permit issued 8/15

Mercury Operating LLC
Arco-University "Z" #9
Fullerton (San Andres); 466 fsl, 80 fel, Sec 2, Blk 13, Abst. 394U, ULS, 13.7 nw Andrews; TD 5600; API #42-003-47867 Permit issued 8/13

Mercury Operating LLC
Chevron-Bevo -11- #4
Fullerton (San Andres); 330 fsl, 600 fel, Sec 11, Blk 13, Abst. 403U, ULS, 13.7 nw Andrews; TD 5600; API #42-003-47883 Permit issued 8/15

Mercury Operating LLC
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Fullerton (San Andres); 288 fnl, 331 fel, Sec 11, Blk 13, Abst. 403U, ULS, 13.9 nw Andrews; TD 5600; API #42-003-47884 Permit issued 8/16

Crane County

Blackbeard Operating LLC
6 Pounder SE #7
Running W (Waddell); 990 fsl, 660 fel, Sec 4, Blk B-21, Abst. 1111, PSL, 11.8 se Monahans; TD 7500; API #42-103-36817 Permit issued 8/15

Blackbeard Operating LLC
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Blackbeard Operating LLC
Landlubber #2
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Glasscock County

COG Operating LLC
Woody 4 #3H
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COG Operating LLC
Woody 4 #5H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 340 fnl, 940 fel, Sec 9, Blk 38, T-3-S, Abst. 398, T&P RR, 14.4 s Stanton; TD 12000; API #42-173-37941 Permit issued 8/15

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Furqueron #1DR
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1542 fsl, 500 fel, Sec 2, Blk 35, T-2-S, Abst. 522, Wade RR Co., 9 se Stanton; TD 10000; API #42-173-37952 Permit issued 8/16

Hunt Oil Company
Hutchison-Teele 10 #301HB
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Hunt Oil Company
Hutchison-Teele 20 #102HA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 724 fwl, 411 fsl, Sec 8, Blk 36, T-4-S, Abst. 1077, T&P RR, 16.51 ne Garden City; TD 8610; API #42-173-37948 Permit issued 8/14

Hunt Oil Company
Hutchison-Teele 20 #202HL
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 724 fwl, 380 fsl, Sec 8, Blk 36, T-4-S, Abst. 1077, T&P RR, 16.51 ne Garden City; TD 8260; API #42-173-37950 Permit issued 8/14

Hunt Oil Company
Hutchison-Teele 20 #102HL
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 724 fwl, 350 fsl, Sec 8, Blk 36, T-4-S, Abst. 1077, T&P RR, 16.51 ne Garden City; TD 8030; API #42-173-37951 Permit issued 8/14

Howard County

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Les Paul #1AA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 489 fwl, 2150 fsl, Sec 22, Blk A, Abst. 571, Bauer & Cockrell, 9 nw Big Spring; TD 10000; API #42-227-39735 Permit issued 8/13

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Les Paul #2HA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 519 fwl, 2150 fsl, Sec 22, Blk A, Abst. 571, Bauer & Cockrell, 9 nw Big Spring; TD 10000; API #42-227-39736 Permit issued 8/13

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Les Paul #3HB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 549 fwl, 2150 fsl, Sec 22, Blk A, Abst. 571, Bauer & Cockrell, 9 nw Big Spring; TD 10000; API #42-227-39737 Permit issued 8/13

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Blue Fescue #2AA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 370 fnl, 1980 fel, Sec 3, Blk 34, Abst. 405, T&P RR, 8.9 nw Big Spring; TD 10000; API #42-227-39734 Permit issued 8/14

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Blue Fescue #1HA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 500 fnl, 2189 fel, Sec 3, Blk 34, Abst. 405, T&P RR, 8.9 nw Big Spring; TD 10000; API #42-227-39738 Permit issued 8/14

Surge Operating LLC
Old Tom Unit B 21-28 #8MH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 358 fnl, 330 fel, Sec 21, Blk 32, T-2-N, Abst. 273, T&P RR, 9.12 ne Knott; TD 10000; API #42-227-39727 Permit issued 8/13

Surge Operating LLC
Gardner Unit 15-10 #3SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2227 fsl, 335 fel, Sec 15, Blk 33, T-2-N, Abst. 325, T&P RR, 4 ne Knott; TD 10000; API #42-227-39733 Permit issued 8/13

Martin County

Birch Operations Inc.
Aggie the Bulldog 39-46 #1WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 804 fwl, 832 fsl, Sec 34, Blk 34, T-3-N, Abst. 1105, T&P RR, 23.5 ne Stanton; TD 8800; API #42-317-41611 Permit issued 8/15

Birch Operations Inc.
Aggie the Bulldog 39-46 B #2WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 864 fwl, 832 fsl, Sec 34, Blk 34, T-3-N, Abst. 1105, T&P RR, 23.5 ne Stanton; TD 8800; API #42-317-41614 Permit issued 8/15

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Bevo 28-33-H #4415H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 230 fnl, 1331 fwl, Sec 28, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 777, T&P RR, 7.7 ne Stanton; TD 9275; API #42-317-41697 Permit issued 8/13

Midland County

COG Operating LLC
Spanish Trail 3-10 HZ Unit #3591H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1785 fsl, 501 fel, Sec 3, Blk 40, Abst. 264, T&P RR, 7 se Midland; TD 12000; API #42-329-42676 Permit issued 8/15

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Organic #3HB
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 650 fwl, 310 fsl, Sec 26, Blk 37, T-3-S, Abst. 933, T&P RR, 17.6 se Midland; TD 9900; API #42-329-42651 Permit issued 8/14

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Organic C #5BB
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 1203 fwl, 310 fsl, Sec 26, Blk 37, T-3-S, Abst. 933, T&P RR, 18.41 se Midland; TD 10000; API #42-329-42682 Permit issued 8/16

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Organic D #8BB
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 310 fsl, 983 fel, Sec 26, Blk 37, T-3-S, Abst. 933, T&P RR, 18.47 se Midland; TD 10000; API #42-329-42683 Permit issued 8/16

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Organic I #20BB
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 310 fsl, 675 fel, Sec 26, Blk 37, T-3-S, Abst. 933, T&P RR, 4 s Spraberry; TD 10000; API #42-329-42690 Permit issued 8/16

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Organic I #21HB
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 310 fsl, 645 fel, Sec 26, Blk 37, T-3-S, Abst. 933, T&P RR, 4 s Spraberry; TD 9800; API #42-329-42693 Permit issued 8/17

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Organic J #23BB
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 310 fsl, 380 fel, Sec 26, Blk 37, T-3-S, Abst. 933, T&P RR, 18.9 se Midland; TD 10000; API #42-329-42694 Permit issued 8/17

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Arick-Miles 36M #113H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 663 fsl, 1653 fel, Sec 36, Blk 39, T-2-S, Abst. 1404, T&P RR, 6.9 se Midland; TD 10600; API #42-329-42695 Permit issued 8/16

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Arick-Miles 36N #114H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 663 fsl, 1633 fel, Sec 36, Blk 39, T-2-S, Abst. 1404, T&P RR, 6.9 se Midland; TD 10600; API #42-329-42696 Permit issued 8/14

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Arick-Miles 36O #115H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 663 fsl, 1613 fel, Sec 36, Blk 39, T-2-S, Abst. 1404, T&P RR, 6.9 se Midland; TD 10600; API #42-329-42697 Permit issued 8/14

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Arick-Miles 36P #116H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 663 fsl, 1593 fel, Sec 36, Blk 39, T-2-S, Abst. 1404, T&P RR, 6.9 se Midland; TD 10600; API #42-329-42698 Permit issued 8/14

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Arick-Miles 36Q #117H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 663 fsl, 1573 fel, Sec 36, Blk 39, T-2-S, Abst. 1404, T&P RR, 6.9 se Midland; TD 10600; API #42-329-42699 Permit issued 8/14

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Arick-Miles 36R #118H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 663 fsl, 1553 fel, Sec 36, Blk 39, T-2-S, Abst. 1404, T&P RR, 6.9 se Midland; TD 10600; API #42-329-42700 Permit issued 8/14

XTO Energy Inc.
TXL 33 Unit 1 #3301BH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 497 fsl, 228 fwl, Sec 21, Blk 39, T-4-S, Abst. 228, T&P RR, 20.9 se Midland; TD 9836; API #42-329-42755 Permit issued 8/16

XTO Energy Inc.
TXL 33 Unit 1 #3321SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 498 fsl, 278 fwl, Sec 21, Blk 39, T-4-S, Abst. 228, T&P RR, 20.9 se Midland; TD 9086; API #42-329-42756 Permit issued 8/16

Pecos County

Black Mountain Oil & Gas II LLC
State Scout #1
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp); 330 fnl, 660 fel, Sec 12, Blk 49, T-10, Abst. 8560, T&P RR, 18.39 nw Fort Stockton; TD 11000; API #42-371-39814 Permit issued 8/17

Crimson Exploration Operating Inc.
Ripper State 1924 #2H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 1357 fnl, 129 fel, Sec 19, Blk 49, T-9-S, Abst. 979, T&P RR, 23.84 nw Fort Stockton; TD 10400; API #42-371-39817 Permit issued 8/17

Halcon Operating Co. Inc.
Laura-Mackenzie East #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 475 fnl, 105 fwl, Sec 28, Blk 49, T-9, Abst. 8343, T&P RR, 20.3 nw Fort Stockton; TD 13000; API #42-371-39815 Permit issued 8/17

XTO Energy Inc.
El Kabong Unit 48-17-8 #701H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 1090 fwl, 400 fnl, Sec 20, Blk 48, T-8-S, Abst. 5270, T&P RR, 23.8 nw Fort Stockton; TD 10000; API #42-371-39787 Permit issued 8/13

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Ward County

Four Corners Petroleum II LLC
G.W. O'Brien et al #2041
Wildcat; 1980 fel, 15178 fsl, Sec 18, Blk F, Abst. 4, G&MMB&A, 2.68 ne Wickett; TD 11500; API #42-475-37638 Permit issued 8/13

Four Corners Petroleum II LLC
G.W. O'Brien et al #2034
Wildcat; 660 fel, 12525 fsl, Sec 18, Blk F, Abst. 4, G&MMB&A, 2.27 ne Wickett; TD 11500; API #42-475-37639 Permit issued 8/13

Four Corners Petroleum II LLC
G.W. O'Brien et al #2035
Wildcat-Directional; 715 fsl, 15029 fsl, Sec 18, Blk F, Abst. 4, G&MMB&A, 2.72 ne Wickett; TD 11500; API #42-475-37640 Permit issued 8/13

Four Corners Petroleum II LLC
G.W. O'Brien et al #2042
Wildcat; 1960 fel, 16498 fsl, Sec 17, Blk F, Abst. 3, G&MMB&A, 2.92 n Wickett; TD 11500; API #42-475-37642 Permit issued 8/13

Four Corners Petroleum II LLC
G.W. O'Brien et al #2040
Wildcat-Directional; 1824 fsl, 13927 fsl, Sec 18, Blk F, Abst. 4, G&MMB&A, 2.45 n Wickett; TD 11500; API #42-475-37643 Permit issued 8/13

Four Corners Petroleum II LLC
G.W. O'Brien et al #2039
Wildcat-Directional; 1980 fsl, 11108 fsl, Sec 18, Blk F, Abst. 4, G&MMB&A, 1.94 ne Wickett; TD 11500; API #42-475-37644 Permit issued 8/13

Winkler County

Apache Corporation
Argos #1H
Wildcat; 660 fsl, 1000 fwl, Sec 8, Blk B-5, Abst. 359, PSL; 2.8 s Kermit; TD 16000; API #42-495-34208 Permit issued 8/14

New Mexico

Chaves County

Armstrong Energy Corp.
Huckleberry St #1 Wildcat; Sec 10 T15S R28E; 2402/S & 1610/E; 15 mi NE Lake Arthur; Rot 10000 Devonian; API #30-005-64315

Lea County

Tap Rock Operating LLC
Cosmo K 24S35E3328 #113
Wildcat; Sec 33 T24S R35E; 2306/n & 1877/E; 4 1/2 mi SE Ochoa; Rot 16500 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44969

EOG Resources Inc.
Savage 2 State Com #101 Wildcat; Sec 2 T25S R32E; 616/N & 376/W; 12 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 14169 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44971

EOG Resources Inc.
Savage 2 State Com #201 Wildcat; Sec 2 T25S R32E; 616/N & 406/W; 12 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 14637 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44972

EOG Resources Inc.
Savage 2 State Com #301 Wildcat; Sec 2 T25S R32E; 616/N & 441/W; 12 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 15021 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44973

EOG Resources Inc.
Savage 2 State Com #501 Wildcat; Sec 2 T25S R32E; 316/N & 375/W; 12 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 15615 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44974

EOG Resources Inc.
Savage 2 State Com #701 Wildcat; Sec 2 T25S R32E; 316/N & 406/W; 12 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 17208 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44975

EOG Resources Inc.
Savage 2 St Com #741 Wildcat; Sec 2 T25S R32E; 316/N & 441/W; 12 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 17696 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44976

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XTO Energy Inc.
El Kabong Unit 48-17-8 #702H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 1091 fwl, 430 fnl, Sec 20, Blk 48, T-8-S, Abst. 5270, T&P RR, 23.5 nw Fort Stockton; TD 10830; API #42-371-39789 Permit issued 8/13

XTO Energy Inc.
El Kabong Unit 48-17-8 #703H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 1890 fwl, 400 fnl, Sec 20, Blk 48, T-8-S, Abst. 5270, T&P RR, 23.5 nw Fort Stockton; TD 10450; API #42-371-39788 Permit issued 8/13

XTO Energy Inc.
El Kabong Unit 48-17-8 #704H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 1890 fwl, 430 fnl, Sec 20, Blk 48, T-8-S, Abst. 5270, T&P RR, 23.5 nw Fort Stockton; TD 10575; API #42-371-39790 Permit issued 8/13

Reeves County

Apache Corporation
Blackfoot State Unit #209BH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 773 fsl, 2020 fwl, Sec 14, Blk 57, Abst. 4374, T&P RR, 9.8 sw Toyah; TD 16000; API #42-389-37476 Permit issued 8/14

Apache Corporation
Blackfoot State Unit #210AH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 746 fsl, 2033 fwl, Sec 14, Blk 57, T-7-S, Abst. 4374, T&P RR, 9.8 sw Toyah; TD 16000; API #42-389-37477 Permit issued 8/14

Apache Corporation
Blackfoot State Unit #205CH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 573 fsl, 970 fwl, Sec 14, Blk 57, T-7-S, Abst. 4374, T&P RR, 9.9 sw Toyah; TD 16000; API #42-389-37473 Permit issued 8/14

Apache Corporation
Blackfoot State Unit #206BH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 573 fsl, 1000 fwl, Sec 14, Blk 57, T-7-S, Abst. 4374, T&P RR, 9.9 sw Toyah; TD 16000; API #42-389-37474 Permit issued 8/14

Apache Corporation
Blackfoot State Unit #207AH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 573 fsl, 1030 fwl, Sec 14, Blk 57, T-7-S, Abst. 4374, T&P RR, 9.9 sw Toyah; TD 16000; API #42-389-37475 Permit issued 8/14

Apache Corporation
Blackfoot State Unit #211CH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 719 fsl, 2047 fwl, Sec 14, Blk 57, T-7-S, Abst. 4374, T&P RR, 9.8 sw Toyah; TD 16000; API #42-389-37481 Permit issued 8/15

Apache Corporation
Blackfoot State Unit #212BH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 692 fsl, 2060 fwl, Sec 14, Blk 57, T-7-S, Abst. 4374, T&P RR, 9.8 sw Toyah; TD 16000; API #42-389-37484 Permit issued 8/15

BTA Oil Producers LLC
Flex State 21602 16 #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 500 fsl, 660 fel, Sec 16, Blk 56, T-3, Abst. 5314, T&P RR, 8 se Orla; TD 10950; API #42-389-37462 Permit issued 8/13

BTA Oil Producers LLC
Flex State 21602 16 #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 500 fsl, 690 fel, Sec 16, Blk 56, T-3, Abst. 5314, T&P RR, 8 se Orla; TD 10950; API #42-389-37463 Permit issued 8/15

BTA Oil Producers LLC
Flex State 21602 16 #3H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 250 fsl, 609 fwl, Sec 16, Blk 56, T-3, Abst. 5314, T&P RR, 8 se Orla; TD 10950; API #42-389-37464 Permit issued 8/13

BTA Oil Producers LLC
Flex State 21602 16 #4H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 250 fsl, 579 fwl, Sec 16, Blk 56, T-3, Abst. 5314, T&P RR, 8 se Orla; TD 10950; API #42-389-37486 Permit issued 8/15

BTA Oil Producers LLC
Flex State 21602 16 #5H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 300 fsl, 1289 fel, Sec 16, Blk 56, T-3, Abst. 5314, T&P RR, 8 se Orla; TD 10950; API #42-389-37487 Permit issued 8/15

BTA Oil Producers LLC
Flex State 21602 16 #6H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 300 fsl, 1320 fel, Sec 16, Blk 56, T-3, Abst. 5314, T&P RR, 8 se Orla; TD 10950; API #42-389-37488 Permit issued 8/15

Centennial Resource Production LLC
Dingo State #U 49H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 300 fnl, 330 fel, Sec 8, Blk 55, T-5-S, Abst. 3150, T&P RR, 17.8 nw Pecos; TD 10300; API #42-389-37466 Permit issued 8/14

Centennial Resource Production LLC
Powder Keg C #U 49H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 477 fnl, 374 fwl, Sec 61, Blk 4, Abst. 411, H&GN RR, 6.8 nw Pecos; TD 10300; API #42-389-37489 Permit issued 8/16

EOG Resources Inc.
State Correa Unit #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 468 fsl, 955 fel, Sec 36, Blk 55, Abst. 4432, T&P RR, 13.6 sw Mentone; TD 14000; API #42-389-37465 Permit issued 8/13

EOG Resources Inc.
State Correa Unit #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 468 fsl, 988 fel, Sec 36, Blk 55, Abst. 4432, T&P RR, 13.6 sw Mentone; TD 14000; API #42-389-37467 Permit issued 8/13

EOG Resources Inc.
State Correa Unit #3H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 468 fsl, 1021 fel, Sec 36, Blk 55, Abst. 4432, T&P RR, 13.6 sw Mentone; TD 14000; API #42-389-37468 Permit issued 8/14

EOG Resources Inc.
State Correa Unit #4H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 467 fsl, 2355 fwl, Sec 36, Blk 55, Abst. 4432, T&P RR, 13.6 sw Mentone; TD 14000; API #42-389-37469 Permit issued 8/14

EOG Resources Inc.
State Correa Unit #5H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 467 fsl, 2322 fwl, Sec 36, Blk 55, Abst. 4432, T&P RR, 13.6 sw Mentone; TD 14000; API #42-389-374 /0 Permit issued 8/14

EOG Resources Inc.
State Correa Unit #6H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 467 fsl, 2289 fwl, Sec 36, Blk 55, Abst. 4432, T&P RR, 13.6 sw Mentone; TD 14000; API #42-389-37471 Permit issued 8/14

EOG Resources Inc.
State Correa Unit #7H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 448 fsl, 675 fwl, Sec 36, Blk 55, Abst. 4432, T&P RR, 13.6 sw Mentone; TD 14000; API #42-389-37472 Permit issued 8/14

EOG Resources Inc.
State Correa Unit #8H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 448 fsl, 642 fwl, Sec 36, Blk 55, Abst. 4432, T&P RR, 13.6 sw Mentone; TD 14000; API #42-389-37478 Permit issued 8/14

Noble Energy Inc.
Sam Prewitt 255-256 C-3 #8H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1011 fswl, 596 fsel, Sec 255, Blk 13, Abst. 513, H&GN RR, 6.3 se Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-37492 Permit issued 8/16

Noble Energy Inc.
Sam Prewitt 255-256 C-2 #7HL
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 627 fsel, 1011 fswl, Sec 255, Blk 13, Abst. 513, H&GN RR, 6.3 se Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-37493 Permit issued 8/16

Noble Energy Inc.
Sam Prewitt 255-256 C-1 #6H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 657 fsel, 1011 fswl, Sec 255, Blk 13, Abst. 513, H&GN RR, 6.3 se Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-37494 Permit issued 8/17

Oxy USA Inc.
Keesler 9 #11H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 330 fnl, 290 fwl, Sec 9, Blk C-6, Abst. 1259, PSL, 12.4 se Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-37490 Permit issued 8/16

PCore Exploration & Production II LLC
Grizzly #1HA
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 200 fnl, 2252 fel, Sec 17, Blk C-16, Abst. 4931, PSL, 33.6 s Pecos; TD 12000; API #42-389-37461 Permit issued 8/13

PRI Operating LLC
Redfish Unit 12A1 #1H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 350 fsl, 330 fwl, Sec 12, Blk C-2, Abst. 4551, PSL, 23.4 se Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-37333 Permit issued 8/16

Siltstone Resources Operating II LLC
State-Hayter 15 #1HA
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 280 fnl, 470 fwl, Sec 15, Blk 51, T-10-S, Abst. 4927, T&P RR, 35 w Fort Stockton; TD 10000; API #42-389-37460 Permit issued 8/13

Upcurve Energy LLC
B Hill 18 #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 410 fel, 350 fsl, Sec 18, Blk C-8, Abst. 5723, PSL, 7.62 se Toyah; TD 12000; API #42-389-37480 Permit issued 8/16

WPX Energy PermianLLC
Titan State 16 #411H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 370 fnl, 235 fel, Sec 16, Blk 54, T-4-S, Abst. 5771, T&P RR, 16.9 nw Pecos; TD 16000;

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Exactly what lift system do your wells need? Production Lift's Jay Miller gets it right

Years ago there was a Saturday morning cartoon in which the characters tried to eat peas with a knife. Have you tried it yourself? It's difficult.

It's sort of like producing a sandy, gassy well with an ESP or a rod pump. You can do it, but too often the peas roll off your knife; too much downtime due to workovers and gas locking.

Gas lift expert Jay Miller of Production Lift Companies says that gas lift is also well-specific—and he's only going to recommend it when it's right—such as, in unconventional wells producing lots of frac sand and solids, and with other issues that make ESPs or rod pumps a problem.

Miller's 35 years of experience start with hands-on, in-shop and in-field work, all the way up to planning and management. He's still not afraid to get his hands dirty in the evaluation and installation process.

His experience goes beyond just knowing when to use gas lift—he's learned, through endless trials and experiments, how to boost production to the max in each individual well. "My years of experience allows me to use creative, result-achieving methods that most others wouldn't know to try," he says.

Most gas lift designs today assume constant downhole pressure, but in the Permian today, unconventional wells are anything but constant. "The wells we're working with today, everything changes week-to-week. To get the most out of those wells you have to have a flexible design that will take advantage of those changes," Miller says.

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By the way, this does not include annular lift, which, says Miller, can perforate the casing over a period of time. He notes that too many other gas lift companies are trying to use this method in spite of its pitfalls.

For Production Lift Companies President Mike Swihart, this is part of the company's most basic driving force—doing whatever it takes to serve customers. "We're not here to push a product," Swihart says, "We've expanded our options so we can apply to each client only what works the very best for them."

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WPX Energy PermianLLC
Titan State 16 #421H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 395 fnl, 235 fel, Sec 16, Blk 54, T-4-S, Abst. 5771, T&P RR, 16.9 nw Pecos; TD 16000; API #42-389-37497 Permit issued 8/17

Ward County

Felix Energy Holdings II LLC
Iowa Gulch 9796-F #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 310 fnl, 988 fwl, Sec 98, Blk F, Abst. 52, G&MMB&A, 2.73 n Pyote; TD 12000; API #42-475-37646 Permit issued 8/17

Felix Energy Holdings II LLC
Iowa Gulch 9796-FA #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 290 fnl, 988 fwl, Sec 98, Blk F, Abst. 52, G&MMB&A, 2.73 n Pyote; TD 12000; API #42-475-37647 Permit issued 8/17

Winkler County

Blackbeard Operating LLC
Walk The Plank #7
Monahans North (Clearfork); 860 fnl, 943 fel, Sec 23, Blk B-10, Abst. 1704, PSL, 10.5 n Monahans; TD 7000; API #42-495-34210 Permit issued 8/17

Blackbeard Operating LLC
Captain Morgan #2
Monahans North (Clearfork); 660 fnl, 660 fwl, Sec 73, Blk A, Abst. 58, G&MMB&A, 8.3 nw Monahans; TD 7000; API #42-495-34212 Permit issued 8/17

Blackbeard Operating LLC
Captain Morgan #3
Monahans North (Clearfork); 511 fnl, 660 fwl, Sec 73, Blk A, Abst. 58, G&MMB&A, 7.6 nw Monahans; TD 7000; API #42-495-34213 Permit issued 8/17

Blackbeard Operating LLC
Francis Drake N #6
Monahans North (Clearfork); 360 fsl, 642 fwl, Sec 24, Blk B-10, Abst. 1605, PSL, 10.1 n Monahans; TD 7000; API #42-495-34211 Permit issued 8/17

Champion Lone Star Operating LLC
CLS Walton #1236SE
Kermit; 2009 fel, 9911 fnl, Sec 36, Blk 74, Abst. 1843, PSL, 4 n Kermit; TD 3700; API #42-495-34205 Permit issued 8/13

Texas RRCD 8A

Borden County

Surge Operating LLC
Jotunn Unit B 25-24 #5AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 333 fsl, 547 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 32, T-3-N, Abst. 293, T&P RR, 5.7 e Vealmoor; TD 10000; API #42-033-32487 Permit issued 8/14

Crosby County

Juno Operating Company III LLC
Clark Wood W #988
Hoople (Clearfork); 4985 fnl, 378 fel, Sec 9, Blk D-19, Abst. 380, D&SE RR, 7.4 ne Slaton; TD 5000; API #42-107-32162 Permit issued 8/15

Juno Operating Company III LLC
Sue Hancock #934
Hoople (Clearfork); 1067 fsl, 302 fel, Sec 9, Blk D-19, Abst. 380, D&SE RR, 7.2 ne Slaton; TD 5000; API #42-107-32161 Permit issued 8/16

Hockley County

Occidental Permian Ltd.
Southeast Levelland Unit #385
Levelland; 4173 fwl, 4446 fnl, Sec 43, Abst. 179, Rains CSL, 5.4 sw Levelland; TD 5800; API #42-219-37451 Permit issued 8/16

Occidental Permian Ltd.
Central Levelland Unit #93A
Levelland-Directional; 2156 fel, 7182 fnl, Sec 68, Abst. 196, Hardeman CSL, 5.9 w Levelland; TD 5400; API #42-219-37452 Permit issued 8/16

Yoakum County

Hadaway Consulting and Engineering LLC
Yada Yada 420 #1H
Sable (San Andres)-Horizontal; 250 fnl, 330 fwl, Sec 420, Blk D, Abst. 647, J.H. Gibson, 7.3 w Plains; TD 5341; API #42-501-37028 Permit issued 8/16

Hadaway Consulting and Engineering LLC
Mimbo 419 #5H
Sable (San Andres)-Horizontal; 200 fnl, 1870 fel, Sec 419, Blk D, Abst. 342, J.H. Gibson, 7.8 w Plains; TD 5320; API #42-501-37029 Permit issued 8/16

Steward Energy II LLC
Hercules 466 #4H
Platang (San Andres)-Horizontal; 2401 fwl, 2351 fnl, Sec 455, Blk D, ABst. 603, J.H. Gibson, 13.05 w Plains; TD 5600; API #42-501-37030 Permit issued 8/16

Wishbone Texas Operating Co. Inc.
12th Man 660 #2H
Platang (San Andres)-Horizontal; 200 fnl, 2311 fel, Sec 713, Blk D, Abst. 576, J.H. Gibson, 14.62 nw Denver City; TD 12000; API #42-501-37027 Permit issued 8/13

New Mexico

Eddy County

COG Operating LLC Dodd Federal Unit #924 Dodd; Sec 15 T17S R29E; 170/S & 2195/E; 14 mi E Artesia; Rot 9800 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-45110

COG Operating LLC Dodd Federal Unit #925 Dodd; Sec 15 T17S R29E; 10/S & 1510/E; 14 mi E Artesia; Rot 9892 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-45111

Lime Rock Resources II-A LP Brainard 11 #1 Red Lake; Sec 12 T18S R26E; 460/S & 355/W; 5 1/2 mi SE Artesia; Rot 8000 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-45096

Percussion Petroleum Operating LLC Rose #2 Penasco Draw; Sec 7 T19S R26E; 657/N & 705/W; 4 mi NW Lakewood; Rot 8280 San Andres Yeso; API #30-015-45113

Percussion Petroleum Operating LLC Rose #3 Penasco Draw; Sec 7 T19S R26E; 677/N & 705/W; 4 mi NW Lakewood; Rot 8295 San Andres Yeso; API #30-015-45114

3Bear Field Service LLC Carlsbad 960 SWD #1 SWD; Sec 23 T23S R26E; 2063/S & 519/E; 6 mi N Black River; Rot 13500 Devonian; API #30-015-45033

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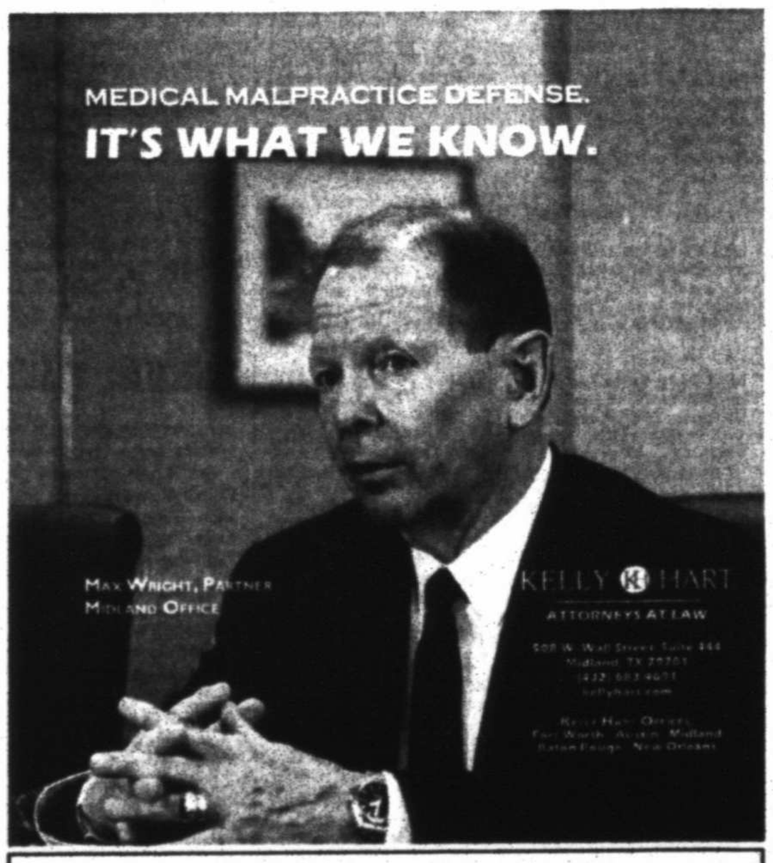

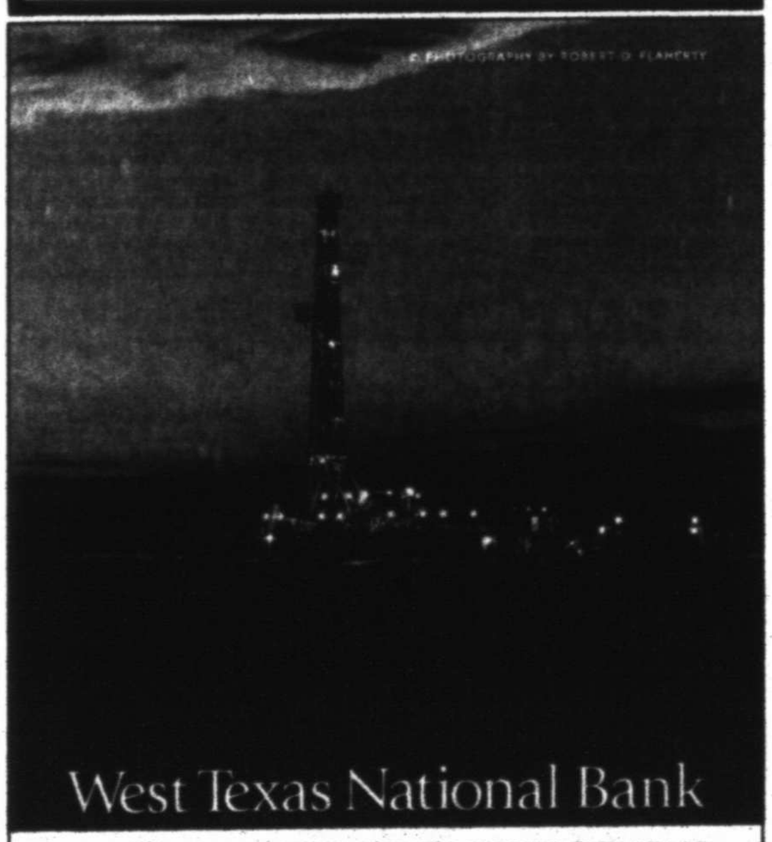

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HOUSTON

Post Oak Energy Capital leads commitment to Saxet III Minerals

Post Oak Energy Capital LP has led a $100 million equity commitment to Saxet III Minerals, LLC ("Saxet III"). The management team will co-invest alongside Post Oak.

Houston-based Saxet Petroleum Inc. focuses on the acquisition and management of mineral and royalty interests in U.S. basins.

Saxet III is the third partnership with Post Oak and will be a continuation of the strategies the Saxet management team has employed in Saxet Minerals LLC ("Saxet I") and Saxet II Minerals LLC ("Saxet II"). Saxet I and Saxet II have aggregated core positions in the SCOOP, Merge and STACK plays in Oklahoma, the Midland Basin and the Bakken and Three Forks plays in North Dakota.

HOUSTON

Magnolia Oil & Gas to acquire Harvest Oil & Gas assets

Magnolia Oil & Gas Corp. has agreed to acquire substantially all of the South Texas assets of Harvest Oil & Gas Corp. for approximately $135 million in cash and 4.2 million newly issued shares of the company's Class A common stock valued at approximately $56 million as of the close of trading on Aug. 20.

The cash consideration will be funded using cash on the balance sheet and borrowing under the company's revolving credit facility. The acquisition is expected to close on Aug. 31 and will have an effective date of July 1.

The acquisition adds an undivided working interest across a portion of Magnolia's existing Karnes County assets and all of its existing Giddings Field assets as well as approximately 15 net locations to the core Karnes County inventory and approximately 114,000 net acres to Magnolia's Giddings Field position.

Harvest South Texas assets produced approximately 4,800 barrels of oil equivalent per day in the first half of 2018, with 1,400 boe/d in Karnes County (69 percent oil, 83 precent liquids) and 3,400 boe/d in Giddings Field (27 percent oil, 53 percent iquids)

In the first half of 2018, Harvest South Texas Assets generated revenues less direct operating expenses of approximately $25 million and incurred approximately $13 million of capital expenditures, which resulted in approximately $12 million of revenues less direct operating expenses after capital expenditures

NORTH DAKOTA

North Dakota oil production drops slightly in June

BISMARCK — North Dakota's oil production in June slid slightly from a record set the previous month because drillers scaled back to keep natural gas flaring from exceeding state limits.

The Bismarck Tribune reports the state produced an average of nearly 1.23 million barrels of oil daily in June, down from the May record of nearly 1.25 million barrels.

Department of Mineral Resources Director Lynn Helms said operators voluntarily restricted oil production to stay in compliance with the gas capture policy, which calls for companies to capture 85 percent of natural gas.

Natural gas production decreased about 1 percent in June to an average of 2.3 billion cubic feet per day.

The June tallies are the latest figures available.

HOUSTON

Goodrich Petroleum announces Haynesville shale well results

Goodrich Petroleum Corp. announced completion results on its Wurtsbaugh 35 No. 1 (71 percent working interest) well that came online in July and achieved a 24-hour peak rate of approximately 22,500 Mcf per day and the Demmon 34 No. 1 (89 percent working interest) well, which came online in August, and also achieved a 24-hour peak rate of approximately 22,500 Mcf per day. Both wells are 4,600-foot laterals in the Bethany-Longstreet field in DeSoto Parish, Louisiana.

Upon completion of the Demmon well, company-wide production hit 90,000 Mcfe per day and is projected to meaningfully increase again with the addition of the Harris 14&23H-1 (98.5 percent working interest) well which is scheduled to commence fracking operations in the next 10 days.

Analysis: What OPEC's good year really means

By Liam Denning
Bloomberg

The latest U.S. assessment of how much money OPEC rakes in from oil exports confirmed one thing: Cutting supplies worked.

In its annual OPEC Revenues Fact Sheet, released Tuesday, the Energy Information Administration estimates OPEC's export revenue was $567 billion in 2017, up 26 percent in real terms. That's despite the group's average crude oil production dropping slightly compared with 2016. Such is the magic of higher prices and collective supply restrictions.

Yet the numbers also show just how big a hole OPEC now finds itself in. Because 26 percent growth is great, obviously, but just how great depends on where you're starting from:

The scale of OPEC's challenge becomes even clearer when you factor in population growth.

The EIA's projection of just over $1,400 of revenue for each person in the OPEC countries this year is similar to what it was in 2004 (just over $1,250 in real terms). Back then, though, Brent crude oil averaged about $50 a barrel in real terms against a projection of almost $72 this year. Of course, having to share the spoils between an extra 140 million people — an increase of 38 percent — will tend to do that to the math. What's more, the equation only gets harder: The World Bank projects OPEC's population to rise by another 129 million by 2030.

Beneath the headline numbers there are vast disparities. Nigeria's per-capita oil-export income last year was just $179 and change, the lowest in the group and a mere 1.5 percent of Qatar's, which led with almost $12,000 per person. What's more, in absolute terms, Nigeria accounts for more than half the expected increase in OPEC's population by 2030.

Let's not forget Venezuela, where revenue per capita has slumped over the past several years on a combination of lower prices and lower production, with the latter making an outsize contribution to the supply cuts that have helped the wider group. The ratio of revenue for those living in OPEC kingpin Saudi Arabia versus those unfortunate enough to be in Venezuela tells that story. And given current production trends, that ratio will almost certainly tick higher this year.

If you're wondering why the likes of Saudi Arabia are attempting to shift their economies away from being overly dependent on oil revenue — and quickly — these charts go a long way to explaining it. Saudi Arabia's per-capita income from oil exports last year of almost $5,100 was less than half the level of five years before. And while it is bound to be higher this year on a combination of rising production and prices, a return to the heady levels of $10,000-plus per man, woman and child is unlikely absent a price-spike. There are, as usual, plenty of potential spike scenarios out there, encompassing everything from Iranian conflict to the effects of tighter regulations on marine fuel, but even today's prices are having an impact on demand. Don't forget, also, that higher prices encourage higher oil production in North America and other non-OPEC regions.

COMPLETIONS

Courtesy DrillingInfo

Texas RRCD 7C

Reagan County

Discovery Natural Resources LLC
Divide Draw Y #1524AN
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 10275 fsl, 3284 fel, Sec 152, Blk 1, Abst. 852, T&P RR, 6.5 ne Big Lake; TD 7060 TVD, 22975 MD; Comp 7/19/2018; producing from 8080-22911, fracture stimulated; gas lift 318 BO, 335 MCF, 1359 BW, FTP 200 psi, 39.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-40058

Discovery Natural Resources LLC
Divide Draw Z #1526NH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 10275 fsl, 3314 fel, Sec 152, Blk 1, Abst. 852, T&P RR, 6.5 ne Big Lake; TD 7401 TVD, 23285 MD; Comp 7/19/2018; producing from 8490-23221, fracture stimulated; gas lift 659 BO, 506 MCF, 754 BW, FTP 350 psi, 39.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-40057

Texas RRCD 8

Mitchell County

Strand Energy LLC
Strain #2V
Garden City South (Wolfcamp); 1070 fsl, 1600 fwl, Sec 17, Blk 26, Abst. 9, H&TC RR, 17.25 nw Colorado City; TD 8366; Comp 8/3/2018; producing from 5362-5481, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; pump 20 BO, 35 MCF, 10 BW, 38 Oil Gravity; API #42-335-35860

Reeves County

Carrizo (Permian) LLC
Thurmond A137 Alloc. A #10H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 309 fsel, 534 fnel, Sec 13, Abst. 7, D.W. Washburn, 8.2 sw Pecos; TD 9640 TVD, 20060 MD; Comp 8/4/2018; producing from 10186-19947, fracture stimulated; flow 645 BO, 4620 MCF, 3850 BW on 42/64 inch choke, 48 Oil Gravity; API #42-389-36525

New Mexico

Eddy County

Matador Production Co.
SST 6 State #124
East Palmillo; Sec 6 T19S R29E; 499/S & 185/E. BHL: 340/S & 248/W; EL 3386 Gr, TD 12250 MD, 7601TVD, EL 3386 GR, PBTD 12239; Spud 2-22-18, Comp 5-13-18; production is through treated perfs: 7907-12118. Treat: Frac w/9,847,420# sd. IP: 5-25-18 Flow 24 hrs 1587 BO, 2355 BW, 2355 MCF, 38/64" Ch, CP 470, GOER 975, Gty 40.9. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 395 w/741 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2416 w/831 sx, 5 ½ @ 12240 w/2186 sx; API #30-015-44324

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Fuller 14 11 W2HA Federal #3
Purple Sage; Sec 14 T26S R29E; 2500/N & 435/E. BHL: Sec 11 333/N & 460/E; EL 2945 GL, TD 18655 MD, 11360 TVD, PBTD 18630 MD, 11360 TVD; Spud 1-6-18, Comp 6-25-18; production is through treated perfs: 11471-18625. Treat: 17,746,596 gals slickwater carrying 15,140,690# local 100 mesh sd. IP: 7-9-18 Flow 24hrs 225 BO, 1844 BW, 5443 MCF, 20/64 Ch, CP 5200, GOR 24191, Gty 49.6. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 672 w/700 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4192 w/1000 sx, 7 @ 11407 w/925 sx, 4 ½ @ 10743-18625 w/450 sx; API #30-015-44601

Lea County

COG Operating LLC
Ringo 32 Federal Com #1
Lusk; Sec 32 T19S R32E; 330/S & 490/E. BHL: Sec 8 T20S R32E 330/S & 490/E; EL 3535 GL, TD 19689 MD, 9578 TVD, PBTD 19775 MD, 9570 TVD; Spud 8-21-17, Comp 5-9-18; production is through treated perfs: 9855-19691, 19740-19750. Treat: Acdz w/198,560 gals 7 ½ %, Frac w/20,000,420# sd & 17,785,236 gal fluid. IP: 5-134-18 Flow 24 hrs 25 BO, 3930 BW, 221 MCF, TP 288, CP 233. Csg: 20 @ 968 w/1735 sx, 13 3/8 @ 2773 w/2050 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4600 w/1330 sx, 5 ½ @ 19689 w/3590 sx, 2 7/8 @ 9597; API #30-025-41411

XTO Energy Inc.
Espejo Federal Com #3
Lea; Sec 23 T19S R34E; 275/S & 1640/E. BHL: Sec 29 194/S & 1899/W; EL 3775 GL, TD 16107 MD, 10926 TVD, PBTD 16008 MD, 10926 TVD; Spud 1-11-18, Comp 5-11-18; production is through treated perfs: 11365-15967. Treat: Frac in 24 stages using 24000 gals acid, 11646789# proppant & 9175084 gals fluid. IP: 6-3-18 Pump 24 hrs 1800 BO, 1432 BW, 2006 MCF, GOR 1055, Gty 36.2. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1897 w/1625 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4000 w/1179 sx, 5 ½ @ 16092 w/2122 sx, 2 7/8@ 10418; API #30-025-43777

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Rebel 16 9 B20J State Com #1
Berry- Re-Entry of Cimarex Energy CO of Co, P&A, Old TD 15309; Sec 16 T21S R34E; 316/S & 2085/E. BHL: Sec 9 2302/S & 2006/E; EL 3730 GL, TD 17970, PBTD 17950; Spud 1-15-18, Comp 5-2-18; production is through treated perfs: 11012-17945. Treat: Frac in 35 stages w/14,249,594 gals slickwater carrying 13,548,878# 100 mesh sd. IP: 5-8-18 Flow 24 hrs 234 BO, 2492 BW, 191 MCF, 64/64 ch, CP 250, GOR 816, Gty 40. Csg: 3 3/8 @ 1840 w/1730 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5703 w/2280 sx, 5 ½ @ 17945 w/1950 sx; API #30-025-40342

EOG Resources Inc.
Convoy 28 State Com #701
Wildcat; Sec 28 T24S R33E; 605/N & 690/E. BHL: Sec 33 230/S & 355/E; EL 3521 Gr, TD 22,445 MD, 12,488 TVD, PBTD 22,334 MD, 12,488 TVD; Spud 12-28-17, Comp 5-19-18; production is through treated perfs: 12,899-22,334. Treat: rec w/23,997,800# proppant, 323,109 bbls load fluid. IP: 5-23-18 Flow 24 hrs 3798 BO, 7198 BW, 7988 MCF, 64 Ch, CP 1800, GOR 2099, Gty 40. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1311 w/1115 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5082 w/1680 sx, 7 5/8 @ 11612 w/845 sx, 5 ½ @ 22435 w/980 sx; API #30-025-44255

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Cotton Draw Unit #506
Wildcat; Sec 18 T25S R32E; 545/S & 980/W. BHL: Sec 7 205/N & 980/W; EL 3408 GL, TD 20,462 MD, 10,400 TVD, PBTD 20,364; Spud 10-23-17, Comp 5-4-18; production is through treated perfs: 10650-20314. Treat: Frac in 50 stages 34,020 gals acid, 15,186,000# prop. IP: 5-26-18 Pump 24 hrs 1589 BO, 2229 BW, 2625 MCF. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 798 w/760 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4377 w/1530 sx, 5 ½ @ 10850, 5 ½ @ 20,445 w/2900 sx; API #30-025-43938

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Cotton Draw Unit #507
Wildcat; Sec 18 T25S R32E; 545/S & 2038/W. BHL: Sec 7 237/N & 2331/W; EL 3408 GL, TD 20,370 MD, 10428 TVD, PBTD 20,268; Spud 9-16-17, Comp 4-16-18; production is through treated perfs: 10428-10432, 10620-20203. Treat: Frac in 49 stages 36,414 bbls acid, 14,838,150# prop. IP: 5-9-18 Flow 24 hrs 4301 BO, 4741 BW, 7059 MCF, CP 933. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 798 w/765 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4374 w/1815 sx, 5 ½ @ 10,784, 5 ½ @ 20,358 w/2798 sx; API #30-025-43914

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Cotton Draw Unit #508
Wildcat; Sec 18 T25S R32E; 540/S & 1670/E. BHL: Sec 7 200/N & 1700/E; EL 3411 GL, TD 20,440 MD, 10,463 TVD; production is through treated perfs: Spud 11-2-17, Comp 5-9-18, , Top Pay (Bone Spring) 10564. Perfs: 10564-20300. IP: 5-26-18 Flow 24 hrs 2368 BO, 3489 BW, 3941 MCF, TP 1380, CP 944. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 794 w/865 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4354 w/1645 sx, 5 ½ @ 10713, 5 ½ @ 20,419 w/2500 sx; API #30-025-43915

EOG Resources Inc.
GEM 36 State Com #707
Wildcat; Sec 36 T25S R32E; 220/S & 1259/W. BHL: 232/N & 1452/W; EL 3349 GR, TD 16,990 MD, 12,132 TVD, PBTD 16,886 MD, 12,132 TVD; Spud 1-18-18, Comp 6-5-18; production is through treated perfs: 12,403-16,886. Treat: Frac w/11,312,632# proppant, 131,422 bbls load fluid. IP: 6-13-18 Flow 24 hrs 1403 BO, 11,094 BW, 3219 MCF, 64 Ch, CP 1300, GOR 2295, Gty 41. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 808 w/795 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4702 w/1180 sx, 7 5/8 @ 11535 w/815 sx, 5 ½ @ 16975 w/545 sx; API #30-025-44265

DEVELOPMENT WELLS

Courtesy DrillingInfo

From 5F

Purple Sage; Sec 17 T24S R31E; 592/N & 1369/E; 16 mi E Malaga; Rot 21872 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45112

Solaris Water Midstream LLC Road Runner SWD #1 SWD; Sec 28 T25S R27E; 902/S & 2404/E; 8 mi SE Black River; Rot 14425 Devonian; API #30-015-45099

Cimarex Energy Co. Riverbend 11 14 Fed #1 Purple Sage; Sec 11 T25S R28E; 390/N & 729/W; 5 mi S Malaga; Rot 20421 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45094

Cimarex Energy Co. Riverbend 11 14 Fed #2 Purple Sage; Sec 11 T25S R28E; 330/N & 709/W; 5 mi S Malaga; Rot 19310 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45095

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Big Sinks Draw 25 24 Federal Com #331 West Jennings; Sec 25 T25S R31E; 2484/N & 925/W; 18 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 18314 Bone Spring; API #30-015-45098

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Big Sinks Draw 25 24 Federal Com #611 Purple Sage; Sec 25 T25S R31E; 2484/N & 955/W; 18 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 18796 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45097

Chevron USA Inc. HH SO 17 20 Fed 001 #2 Purple Sage; Sec 6 T26S R27E; 305/S & 1873/W; 9 mi SE Black River; Rot 20402 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45101

Chevron USA Inc. HH SO 17 20 Fed 001 #1 Purple Sage; Sec 6 T26S R27E; 330/S & 1873/W; 9 mi SE Black River; Rot 20402 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45100

Chevron USA Inc. HH SO 17 20 Fed 001 #5 Purple Sage; Sec 6 T26S R27E; 230/S & 1872/W; 9 mi SE Black River; Rot 20044 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45102

Chevron USA Inc. HH SO 17 20 Fed 001 #6 Purple Sage; Sec 6 T26S R27E; 205/S & 1872/W; 9 mi SE Black River; Rot 20044 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45103

Chevron USA Inc. HH SO 17 20 Fed 002 #1 Purple Sage; Sec 6 T26S R27E; 212/N & 1725/E; 9 mi SE Black River; Rot 20402 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45104

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Chevron USA Inc. HH SO 17 20 Fed 002 #3 Purple Sage; Sec 6 T26S R27E; 212/N & 1675/E; 9 mi SE Black River; Rot 20402 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45106

Chevron USA Inc. HH SO 17 20 Fed 002 #4 Purple Sage; Sec 6 T26S R27E; 212/N & 1650/E; 9 mi SE Black River; Rot 20044 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45107

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Chevron USA Inc. HH SO 17 20 Fed 002 #6 Purple Sage; Sec 17 T26S R27E; 212/N & 1600/E; 9 mi SE Black River; Rot 20044 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45109

Chevron USA Inc. HH SO 8 5 Fed 003 #1 Purple Sage; Sec 17 T26S R27E; 629/N & 2308/W; 9 mi SE Black River; Rot 19549 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45115

Chevron USA Inc. HH SO 8 5 Fed 003 #2 Purple Sage; Sec 17 T26S R27E; 604/N & 2308/W; 9 mi SE Black River; Rot 19417 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45116

Chevron USA Inc. HH SO 8 5 Fed 003 #3 Purple Sage; Sec 17 T26S R27E; 579/N & 2309/W; 9 mi SE Black River; Rot 20044 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45117

Chevron USA Inc. HH SO 8 5 Fed 003 #4 Purple Sage; Sec 17 T26S R27E; 554/N & 2309/W; 9 mi SE Black River; Rot 20154 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45118

Chevron USA Inc. HH SO 8 5 Fed 003 #5 Purple Sage; Sec 17 T26S R27E; 529/N & 2310/W; 9 mi SE Black River; Rot 20336 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45119

Chevron USA Inc. HH SO 8 5 FED 003 #6 Purple Sage; Sec 17 t26S R27E; 504/N & 2310/W; 9 mi SE Black River; Rot 20402 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45120

Lea County

McElvain Energy Inc. EK 31 BS2 Fed Com #2 EK; Sec 30 T18S R34E; 76/S & 817/E; 8 mi SW Buckeye; Rot 14957 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44978

EOG Operating LLC Stratocaster 20 Federal #8 West Antelope Ridge; Sec 20 T23S R34E; 330/N & 1650/E; 7 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 14939 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44977

Roosevelt County

Yates Industries LLC Amigos De Pancho 11 Fee #1 North Chaveroo; Sec 11 T7S R33E; 330/S & 2310/E; 12 1/2 mi NW Milnesand; Rot 8500 Permo Penn; API #30-041-20975

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UT Permian Basin gearing up for 2018 Season

Carrigan looks for experienced team to take next step

BY RYAN HAAGE
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Entering its third season of competition, UT Permian Basin football comes into 2018 with a large number of upperclassmen for the first time in program history. The Falcons feature a junior class of 35 players, joining seven seniors, and head coach Justin Carrigan believes that experience will help the Falcons continue to grow this season.

"It certainly helps the entire team overall that we're getting to a point of more physical maturity," said Carrigan. "We have a better understanding of the game. The junior class will be guys that have been through a lot and have lots of experience. Were at a point now where our roster looks like an actual four-year program."

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> *-- Justin Carrigan*
> *Head Coach, Football*
> *UT Permian Basin*

On the offensive side of the ball, Carrigan takes the play-calling reins for the first time but doesn't expect to see too many changes in what UTPB plans to do when they have the ball.

"We're not going to bang our head against the wall and run the ball into an 11-man box, and we're not going to throw the ball 70 times a game. We're working under the idea that we'll take what the defense gives us, but there will be things that we remain true to as far as running and throwing that show up every week."

The Falcons enter fall camp with three returners from this spring at quarterback. Junior Kameron Mathis has thrown for 27 touchdowns in 21 games in two seasons at UTPB, sophomore Michael Myers tossed a pair of touchdowns in five games of action last season, and newcomer Sam Allen joins UT Permian Basin as a transfer from San Jose State. Carrigan is ready to see one of them take over the offense heading into the season.

"I want to see one of them take the job. I don't want to see a quarterback battle; that happened in the spring. It's time for one of them come in and win the job. From that it's going to be a matter of their command of the offense, is the team going to follow them and can they lead the team to the end zone multiple times a game."

Running back was one of the Falcons strong points last season, averaging 140 yards per game of rushing with a pair of backs averaging five yards a carry.

"We'll have a good stable of backs, and we're going to need it because we're going to run the ball a decent amount," said Carrigan. "They're also going to play an important part in pass protection. I'm excited about the guys we have coming back and the new ones we have coming in."

Wide receiver is a positions where the Falcons both have experience and potential. Senior Mitchell Leonard has caught 10 touchdowns over his first two season while leading the Falcons with over 1,200 yards, and Kristian Brown has nine scores in his first two years at UTPB. They'll be joined by a number of returners and newcomers that has Carrigan excited to see who steps up to earn a role.

UT Permian Basin Junior Kameron Mathis runs the ball during Falcons 2018 Fan Day, held at Grande Stadium on August 18

"We signed six guys out of high school that in time will be great contributors to this program, and there's a couple that I think can come in and step up right away. It's going to be a great overall group for years to come."

The offensive line looks to make big strides this coming season. One of the toughest positions to lock down, UTPB returns its starters from 2017 and brings in a number of players that can make contributions immediately.

"I think we're going to be better than good up front," said Carrigan. "To have two backs average over five yards a carry really speaks to what our offensive line was able to do. Having the experience under their belt now and adding more pieces to that group helps create more competition. Coach Feldt has done a tremendous job of keeping those guys together and working hard and we're going to be better because of that."

The defensive line is an area where the Falcons lost a number of seniors, but the Falcons return a pair of freshmen that made an immediate impact last season, including the Lone Star Conference Freshman of the Year John O'Kelley.

"The defensive line is going to offer opportunity for guys to step up, and we have people that are ready for that chance," said Carrigan. "Getting senior Jared Thames back from injury will be a huge help. La'Daidreain Glasker had a good freshman year and we expect him to continue to grow and get better. John O'Kelley brings a whole different element to the defense and our team. His motor doesn't stop, the passion and aggression he plays with helps set the tone for our team."

The Falcons return one of the best linebacker duos in the Lone Star Conference, and both are just entering their junior seasons. Chris Hoad ranked second in the LSC in tackles both his freshman and sophomore seasons, racking up 236 tackles his first two years, and Keegan Gray ranked seventh in the league last season with 96 tackles. Carrigan expects both to be big leaders on the defensive side of the ball in 2018.

"It's good to know those guys are seasoned and experienced and have performed at a high level in the conference, and still have two years left. I'd like for them to continue what they've done and step up more in a leadership role, and they've done that. Chris Hoad has done a tremendous job taking those reins as being a senior-type of guy from day one in playing tough every day."

The defensive secondary comes into the fall offering some of the most promise and potential on the team. Carrigan noted the group had the best spring of any position in spring camp, and he attributes a lot of that growth to new secondary and defensive passing game coordinator coach Kyle Williams.

"Coach Williams has brought belief and confidence to the secondary, and those are some of the things our guys didn't have. He's done a tremendous job of bringing energy and confidence to that group every day in practice. They made a lot of plays this spring and I'm excited to see how that group performs in Coach Williams' first season."

Falcon Volleyball shows promise heading into 2018 season

2018 Falcon Volleyball team will open up Lone Star Conference play Saturday Sept. 8 at Texas A&M Kingsville.

Heading into the 2018 season with 11 returners and seven newcomers, UT Permian Basin head volleyball coach Tim Loesch is excited with the depth he believes his team has entering a new year. The Falcons return one of their best attackers in Travanna Matthews, Kierra Granado who led the team in assists, and the leading digs leader from 2017 in Sarah Vasquez. But they also have a number of players ready to step in and earn playing time.

"We've upgraded every position for this season," said Loesch. "We have a strong setter and a couple of good liberos coming in, and I think from passing to setting to hitting we'll be better in all of those areas. Specifically, for our hitters, we have a couple of junior college players in Jenna Hampton and Yasmine Atace that we expect to contribute right away. They've played at a high level and have proven that they're solid attackers and we expect them to help with our attack right away. We also have a number of freshman that will end up earning playing time as well."

While the Falcons had a number of players hit by injuries in 2017, Loesch believes their return to the team this season will only help make the team stronger as the year goes on.

"Overall I have high expectations for this year. We have two ways that we're better; first we've gotten a bunch of players back that were out for extended periods last season. They are healthy now and practicing, so we expect to have 3-4 girls back that were on the roster last year at 100 percent and contributing. We also had a great recruiting class, a bunch of players that are going to help us right away and will compete for playing time. With both of those factors I have high expectations for this team and I think we can compete with anyone, it's a question of how hard we work and can overcome adversity as the season goes on."

UTPB will be tested early on in the first two weeks, playing a number of unfamiliar teams in a pair of tournaments. The Falcons face Mississippi College, Southern Arkansas, Union and Quincy the opening weekend in the Dr. Margaret Downing Invitational hosted by Southern Arkansas, and will play Purdue Northwest, St. Edward's, Colorado State – Pueblo the second weekend of the season at the 2018 Hilltopper Classic. Seeing a bunch of different playing styles over such a short period of time will help the Falcons get ready for a changing Lone Star Conference in 2018.

"We made our schedule very diverse because a lot of teams in the Lone Star are reloading. Not that they're going to be weaker than in the past, but they're going to be different because of new personnel. The preseason is going to help us be able to deal with different types of teams and having to face them in a quick turnaround. They're all quality opponents and will help get us ready for conference play."

The Falcons open up Lone Star Conference play Saturday, September 8 at Texas A&M Kingsville. They will then return home for the first time this season to host Eastern New Mexico in a midweek LSC contest Tuesday, Sept. 11 at 6 p.m.

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Midland High's Kaden Kirkland (48) tries to break through to San Angelo Central quarterback Maverick McIvor on Nov. 3, 2017, at Grande Communications Stadium.
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LITTLE ROOM FOR ERROR

New look 2-6A will be as competitive as ever

By Christopher Hadorn
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The Midland ISD and Odessa football programs won't have an old rival to contend with this season.

San Angelo Central, which has claimed at least a share of five straight district titles, was matched with Abilene High and several Metroplex schools in the realigned District 3-6A.

It's the first time since 1951 that either Midland High or Odessa High won't share a football district with either San Angelo or Abilene.

Even with the loss of long-time foe Central, a team that went 11-1 last season, District 2-6A coaches anticipate a competitive league with Lee, Midland High, Odessa Permian, Odessa High, Amarillo Tascosa and Wolfforth Frenship.

The new look District 2-6A is only one of three Class 6A football districts out of 32 with six teams in the state. That means each contest is magnified in the five-game District 2-6A slate.

"With six teams, the margin for error is small," Lee head coach Clint Hartman said. "You lose the wrong games, you can get into trouble real quick. Every game is important and how you prepare for them is important and how your kids perform is important. It's going to be an extremely competitive year."

While coaches anticipate a dogfight for District 2-6A's four postseason berths, there are positives too with the six-team district.

District 2-6A teams now have five non-district games, plus a bye week to get ready for the league games that matter. That extended non-district schedule could benefit a team like Frenship, which is trying to build momentum and chemistry coming off a 0-10 campaign in 2017.

"The good news is that you have five games to get ready and get yourself in playing condition," Tascosa head coach Ken Plunk said. "It works out a little better if you have question marks because you have five games to get them worked out. The bad news is if you start off bad, you lose a couple early in district, you can get sunk."

On the flip side, the extended non-district schedule also increases the risk for a team to suffer injuries to impact players and starters.

"The key is going to be getting through those first five games, getting to the open week healthy and then starting district at full speed," Midland High head coach Tim Anuszkiewicz said. "Who is going to be full speed when they start? Because you have to pick up a couple wins early."

One of the reasons why the league's coaches anticipate a hotly contested season is that all six teams return an ample amount of key players from 2017. And some of the key players are Division I caliber despite the district losing Central quarterback and Texas Tech commit Maverick McIvor.

Permian, which is picked to win 2-6A by Dave Campbell's Texas Football, is led by quarterback Peyton Powell, a transfer from Midland Christian that has offers from at least 19 FBS programs including Ohio State, Oklahoma, Texas, Nebraska, Texas Tech, TCU, Baylor, Arkansas, Ole Miss and Georgia Tech.

In addition to Powell, the Panthers also have offensive tackle Landon Peterson and defensive end/linebacker Matt Jones, both Baylor commits. Furthermore, Permian has plenty of three-year starters such as running back Ed Williams, linebacker Tanner Adams and defensive back Christian Tschauner.

"Permian probably comes in with the best experience," Anuszkiewicz said. "If you're looking at it on paper, they might be the favorite going into it, especially with a kid like Peyton Powell moving into the system. The thing about Odessa Permian is you can't let them eat the clock up. Their offense can eat the clock and they play great defense it seems like every year. We're going to have our hands full with those guys."

Of last year's District 2-6A playoff teams, Lee had the deepest postseason run as it reached the regional round, the third stage. Lee still has plenty of firepower on both sides of the ball with two-time 1,000-yard rusher Josh Traylor, Division I recruit Loic Fouonji at receiver and a number of experienced returners on the defensive side of the ball.

Although Midland High snuck into the playoffs despite its 3-8 overall record, the Bulldogs boast a future FBS quarterback with U.T.-San Antonio commit Suddin Sapien and welcome back seven defensive starters.

"They were good at running the ball downhill last year," Plunk said of MHS. "And I think once they discovered what was their niche was, they were really kind of dangerous."

Although Tascosa returns the fewest starters with eight, the Rebels from the Panhandle bring back a high impact core that includes wide receiver and Baylor commit Brandon White, and running back and three-star recruit King Doerue. Tascosa has big play ability when its playmakers get in space.

Although picked to finish fifth by Dave Campbell's, Odessa High could be poised to reach the playoffs for the first time since 2013 with eight returning offensive starters, which include quarterback Trey Smith, physical running back Senjun McGarity and explosive receiver Tyrone Caufield.

"Danny Servance and his staff do an outstanding job with those guys over there," Permian head coach Jeff Ellison said. "Like always, they're going to play tough, hard-nosed football, so we're expecting a fight from them."

Frenship has reasons to be optimistic too with seven returners on both offense and defense. The Tigers bring back quarterback Austin Phillips, along with three experienced receivers. Coaches believe Frenship will be much better with another season to learn second-year head coach Jay Northcutt's spread offense after being a power run team for the longest time.

"We know they have a storied program," Ellison said. "They have done an outstanding job within that community in that school, so we are expecting them to be much improved."

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REPORTER-TELBGRAM DISTRICT 2-6A STAFF PREDICTIONS

With first-place votes in parentheses, with points based on 6-5-4-3-2-1.

School	Points
1. Odessa Permian (2)	12
2. Lee	10
3. (tie) Midland High	7
3. (tie) Amarillo Tascosa	7
5. Odessa High	4
6. Wolfforth Frenship	2

FROM THE SPORTS EDITOR

Working on a football section usually takes a lot of time. From doing interviews to typing up schedules and rosters in addition to working on putting out a daily paper, there are a lot of long hours and late nights.

This time it was probably more challenging than usual as just before the sports staff was going to work on putting things together, we found out than we were going to be down to just two of us, myself and sports writer Christopher Hadorn.

Thankfully we got help from MRT Business Insider writer Kevin Scannell, who has some background in sports to help us out with a couple of stories.

This year we're also trying something different with one general cover, featuring four of Midland County's top standouts.

This year's theme is "Building for Success," which can mean many different things.

The teams are working hard to build what they hope will be a successful season. The student-athletes are working toward earning that high school degree, before either going to college, joining the military or entering the work force in hopes of becoming productive citizens in our society and not just great football players.

Plus, the theme is perfect to describe what we have seen in recent years and what we continue to see today with the amount of construction going around town, from the new Midland Convention Center in downtown to the new housing developments popping up where there was nothing but desert landscape.

As usual, this section wouldn't have been possible with the work of plenty of folks here at the MRT.

Thanks to my partner in crime Christopher Hadorn for his hard work and encouragement he had to go forward with the section despite the challenges we were facing going forward.

Through most of my time here at the paper, the people who work here do it because they love the job, not because of the accolades, egos and certainly not because of the money. That makes my job so much easier.

Big thank you to MRT photographers Tim Fischer and James Durbin for all the hard work they've put in with photos in the studio and during practices under the hot sun. James has been our go-to guy to help come up with the cover concept and once again he shined. Thanks of course to Lee's Josh Traylor, Midland High's Smith Essman, Greenwood's Jake Somers and Midland Christian's Garison Breeding for taking the time out of their busy schedules to come in and participate in the photo shoots.

We can't put this section together without the work of the advertising and Ad Operations manager Lynn Kmiec, who was the main go-to person to getting a lot of this done.

A big shout out has to go to the MRT graphic department and graphic artist Fabian Molinar for helping put this section together. Fabian also once again designed the cover to fit today's theme. These folks worked hard to make sure we put out a quality product.

I especially don't to forget about those in the back shot, led by John Maddox and Sergio Ramirez, for their hard work to produce this printed product.

I would also like to thank Publisher Jeff Shabram and Editor-in-chief Stewart Doreen for their support in allowing the sports department to put an annual football section for the 17th straight year.

If there is anybody I forgot to mention, I apologize, but know that you are greatly appreciated.

And thank you the reader. In today's world, publications are a dying breed and it is because of you, we do this. Enjoy.

Oscar Leroy, Sports Editor

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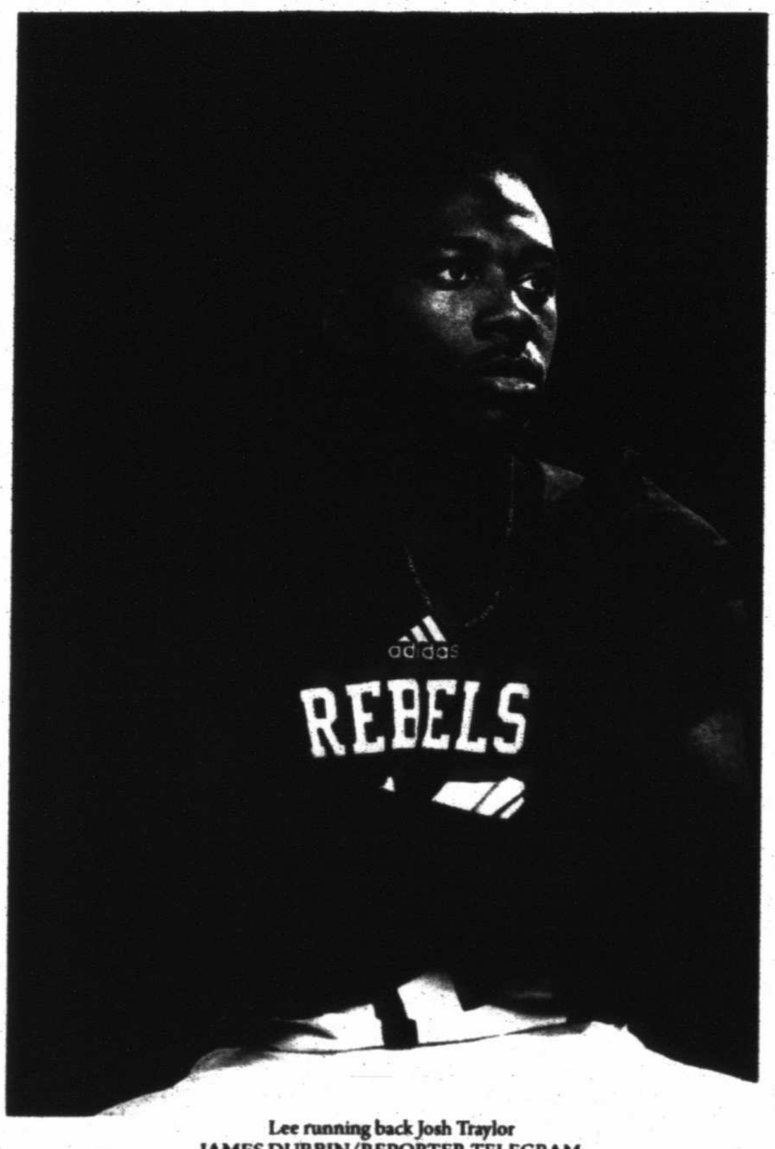
Q&A with Lee standout running back Josh Traylor



Lee running back Josh Traylor
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Josh Traylor has already supplanted himself among the great running backs in Lee history.

And the amazing part is that Traylor still has another season to add to his impressive résumé.

The 2016 District 2-6A Newcomer of the Year burst on the scene by rushing for 1,087 yards as a sophomore.

Last year Traylor followed that up by amassing 1,443 rush yards and scoring 19 total TDs during the Rebels' run to the regional round of the Class 6A Division I playoffs.

This season the 5-foot-8, 180-pound senior will attempt to join former University of Texas great and eight-year NFL pro Cedric Benson as the only Lee running backs to eclipse 1,000 yards in three seasons.

But Traylor's impact has been felt beyond the gridiron too, as he has established himself as a leader in the Team 58 locker room. Traylor has set an example for younger players to follow by being a constant presence in the Rebels' offseason program.

"He's a Division I running back," Lee head coach Clint Hartman said. "We are just waiting for somebody to take him. He's as good as I have ever coached. He was voted as a captain as a junior by his peers and that's hard to do. He's the first junior that I have ever had in my head coaching career that got voted. That says enough about how they feel about him."

Traylor sat down with the Reporter-Telegram to discuss the upcoming 2018 season, his role as a leader and the time he met Benson.

Last year you were voted a team captain as only a junior. Did that surprise you to get that type of respect from your teammates?

It was nice to know that they have much trust in someone that was an underclassman. That's the first time that an underclassman has been voted as a captain in Lee history.

How was your role changed as a senior?

Nothing really because I've always had to pretty much be a captain or step up as a leader ever since my sophomore year. I really don't see being my senior year as being anything different other than this is my last year for me and my class.

You met Cedric Benson earlier this year. Did he know who you were?

I honestly doubt he knew who I was, but I wasn't going to walk up to him and tell him who I was.

What was that experience like for you to meet the guy that did so much for this program?

It was a real cool experience getting to meet him. I never realized how big he was in person though. He was real quiet though. I took a picture with him and I posted it on my social media and I posted it with (a caption) 'The second best running back in Lee history'.

As a running back, do you study what the great ones do?

Honestly, not really. I try to be as original as I can, so I try to make my own type of game.

What are the strengths of your game?

When I play and something is going wrong, I won't get mad or let it get to me or go off. I stay calm throughout everything.

A lot of people focus on the rushing side of being a running back. How much emphasis do you put on the pass blocking and pass catching of your position?

I didn't realize how important it was until (offensive coordinator Frank Maldonado) would make me do this drill called blitz pickup. I hate it because pretty much they just send everybody right at you. But it works because in game situations you're always ready for it. It's pretty big in our program right now.

Is picking up a blitz that ends up in a touchdown pass, is it the same thing as scoring a touchdown?

Yes, for me because I just want to see everybody on my team doing well. And plus I know, if I'm running the ball, my line is going to block for me and my receivers are going to block for me. I need to be able to do the same thing for them if a linebacker comes.

After you got a little taste of the playoffs, do you feel there's a hunger in the locker room to do even better this year, to take it beyond three rounds?

Yes, especially the upcoming varsity players because a lot of them traveled with us last year and they really never got to play. They're trying to see what it feels like to actually get in the game and be around and feel the atmosphere and the excitement of actually playing during the playoffs. It's just a real good experience.

How did you get started in football?

The first time I ever played was in flag and I think was in kindergarten. I was on the same team as my cousin Austin and ever since I have been playing football. I didn't know about football until I was on the team with my cousin.

What position did you play?

I was a receiver, but I barely got in. It was flag football with the YMCA. I had to work for it though. It didn't come naturally though. It's all paid off for me as you can see.

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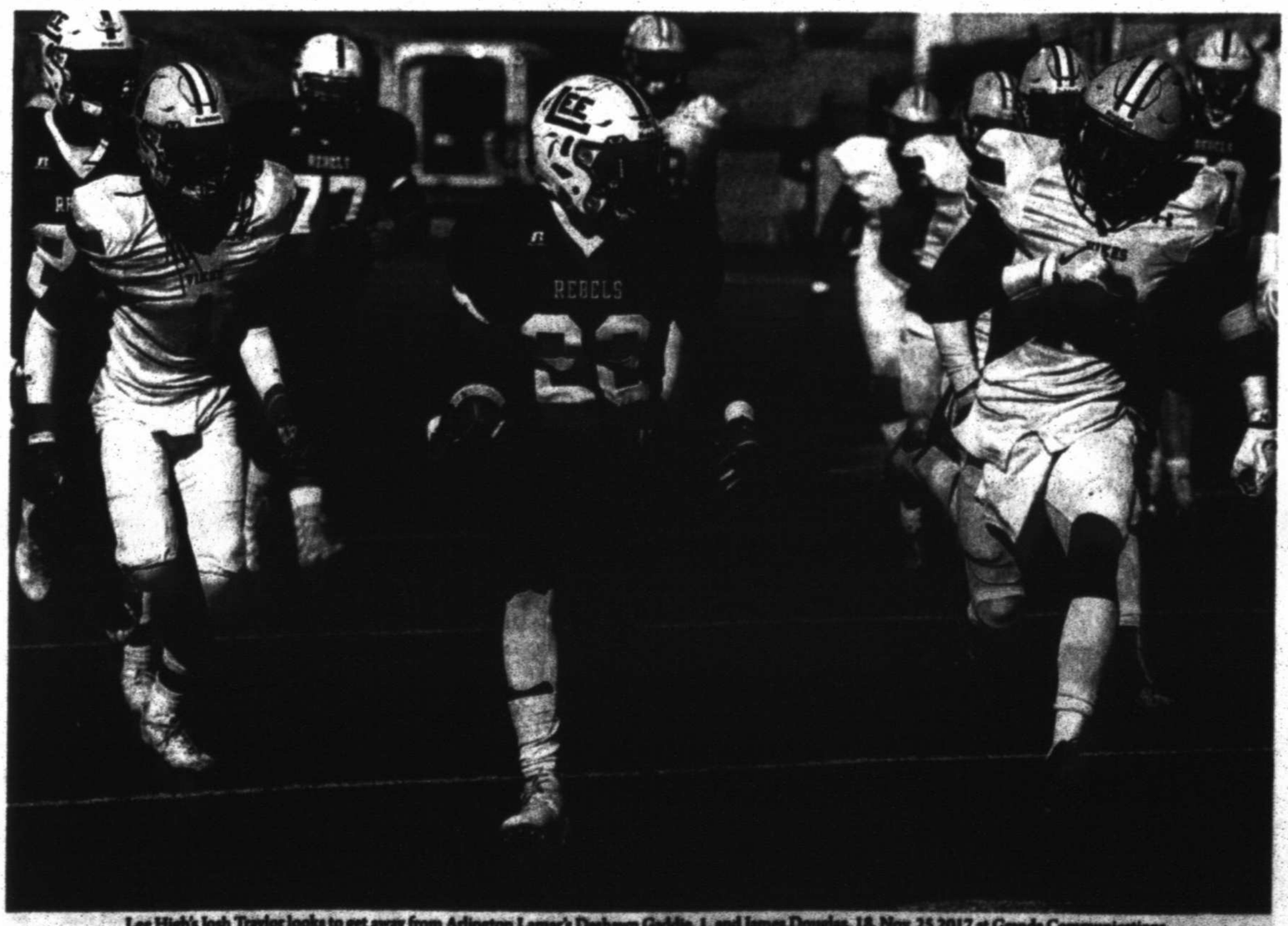


Lee High's Josh Traylor looks to get away from Arlington Lamar's Deshawn Gaddie, 1, and James Douglas, 18, Nov. 25 2017 at Grande Communications Stadium. Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Rebels Fast Facts and Position Breakdowns

Head coach: Clint Hartman, 3rd season at Lee (13-10 at Lee, 70-45 in 10 overall years)
Assistant coaches: Frank Maldonado, Will Murchison, Boe Smith, Brody Smith, Dustin Toscano, Brent Swanson, Floyd White, Scott Hicks, Tip Stephenson, Brandon Allen, Luis Camacho
2017 record: 10-3, 4-2 in District 2-6A (3rd)
Returning starters: 4 offense, 6 defense
Typical offense: Auburn spread
Typical defense: 3-4
Last playoff appearance: 2017, lost to Euless Trinity, 34-23, in Class 6A Division I regional
Enrollment: 3,211
Homecoming: Sept. 21 vs. El Paso Eastwood
Rivalry game: Nov. 2 vs. Midland High
Home stadium: Grande Communications Stadium

2018 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	at Smithson Valley	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	Abilene High	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	at EP Montwood	5 p.m.
Sept. 21	EP Eastwood	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 29	at San Benito	4 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Frenship*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Odessa High*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	Tascosa*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Midland High*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	Permian*	7:30 p.m.

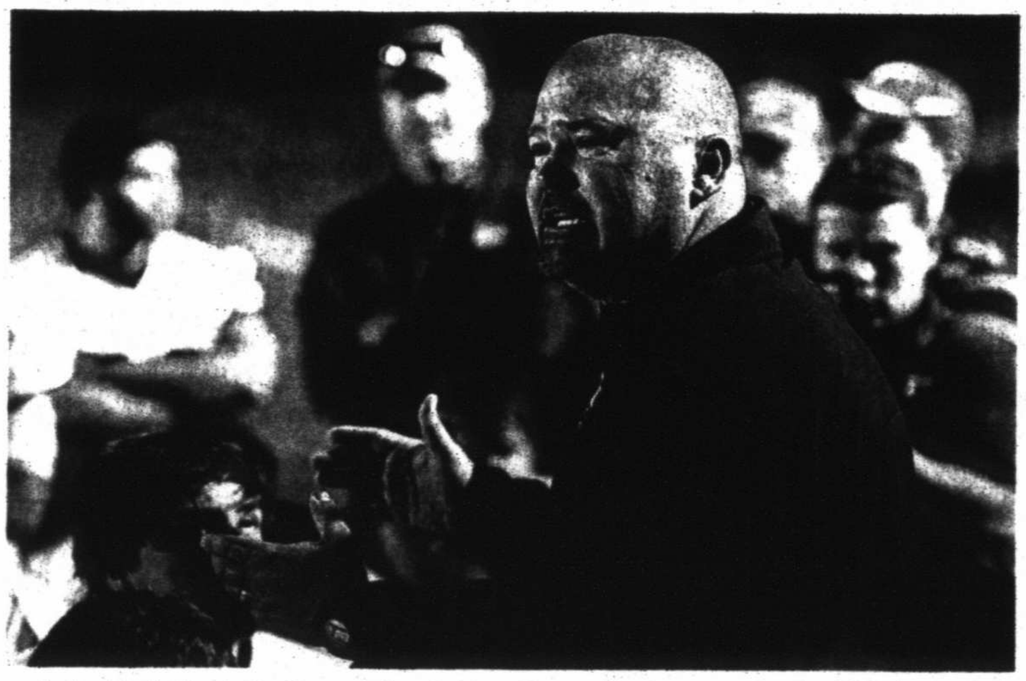
*denotes District 2-6A game

2017 RESULTS

Regular season	
Sept. 1	Lee 58, El Paso Coronado 24
Sept. 8	Lee 49, Abilene High 14
Sept. 15	Lee 48, El Paso El Dorado 34
Sept. 21	Lee 31, Lubbock Monterey 14
Sept. 29	Lee 49, Midland High 14
Oct. 6	Lee 56, Amarillo Tascosa 42
Oct. 13	San Angelo Central 52, Lee 28
Oct. 20	Lee 28, Odessa High 21
Nov. 3	Lee 74, Wolfforth Frenship 35
Nov. 10	Odessa Permian 42, Lee 7
Postseason	
Nov. 17	Bi-district, Lee 63, EP El Dorado 0
Nov. 25	Area, Lee 42, Arlington Lamar 38
Dec. 2	Regional, Euless Trinity 34, Lee 23

2018 ROSTER (Subject to change)

No.	Name	Class	Position
1	Sheldon Bass Jr.	Sr.	WR
2	Rodrigo Urias	Sr.	WR
3	Karl Taylor	Jr.	DB
4	Mikey Serrano	So.	QB
5	Omar Medrano	Sr.	WR
6	Mykai Pertile	Sr.	DB
7	Fernando Hernandez	Sr.	WR
8	Carson Sullivan	Sr.	WR
9	Isaiah Harvey	Sr.	LB/RB
10	Nacomas Sauls	Sr.	WR
11	Loic Fouonji	Jr.	WR
12	Logan Acosta	Sr.	WR
13	Shemar Davis	So.	QB
14	Bruce Franco	Jr.	DB
15	Felix Hinojosa	Sr.	QB
16	Ryan Quiroz	Jr.	LB
17	Jeremy Luis	Sr.	WR
18	Trey Huber	So.	DB
19	Anthony Gonzales	Jr.	DB
20	Edward Lujan	Sr.	RB
21	Oscar Valadez	Sr.	FB
22	Josh Traylor	Sr.	RB
23	Damian Garcia	Jr.	DB
24	Jaydyn Scott-King	Sr.	DB
25	Bryson Abila	Sr.	DB
26	Brian Hicks	Jr.	DB
27	Romeo Martinez	Sr.	DL
28	Braeden Chambers	Sr.	DB
29	Paco Maldonado	Jr.	LB
30	Josue Rubio	Sr.	LB
31	Garrett Fincher	Jr.	LB
32	Alex Martinez	Jr.	DB
33	Hayden Hall	Jr.	FB
36	Charlie Gonzales	Jr.	DL
38	Trent Low	Jr.	LB
40	Joeangel Subia	Sr.	DB
41	Michael Hinojosa	Jr.	LB
43	Perrin Hatcher	Sr.	LB
44	Tracy Mackey	Jr.	DL
45	Jasper Patridge	Jr.	LB
49	Ciro Cardenas	Sr.	OL
50	Charles McDonald	Sr.	LB
51	Jasiah Rodriguez	Sr.	OL
52	Roger Herndon	Sr.	DL
55	Brendon Stuart	Sr.	DL
57	Carson Payne	Sr.	OL
58	Garrett Rosenberry	Sr.	OL
60	Donald Price	Sr.	OL
62	George Romero	Sr.	OL
63	Izack Perez	Sr.	OL
67	Zach Heller	Jr.	OL
70	Carlos Moreno	Jr.	OL
71	Eric Cisneros	Jr.	OL
72	Alex Brown	Jr.	OL
73	Joseph Hart	Sr.	DL
74	Jaiven White	Sr.	DL
75	John Rendon	Sr.	OL
76	Kai DeLeon	Sr.	OL
77	Cody Lyon	Sr.	OL
78	Ian Ordorica	Sr.	OL
79	Ryan Pierce	Jr.	OL
80	Jalen Kemp	Sr.	WR
81	Evan McMaryion	Jr.	WR
82	Amarien Armendariez	Jr.	WR
83	Juan Vera	Sr.	WR
84	Christian Romero	So.	WR
85	Justin Spraglin	Sr.	WR
88	Slade Ebenstein	Jr.	WR
89	John Thompson	Sr.	K
90	Daedrian Madrid	Sr.	DL



Lee head football coach Clint Hartman talks to his team after an emotional loss to Euless Trinity in the 6A Division I regional playoff game Dec. 2, 2017, at Shotwell Stadium in Abilene. James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

BREAKING DOWN THE 2018 REBELS

QUARTERBACK

What to expect in 2018: Lee has big shoes to fill after the graduation of Colby Standard, who set a school record with 3,816 yards of total offense in 2017. Senior Felix Hinojosa is the front runner to start after serving as Rebels' backup last year. Hartman lauds Hinojosa's athleticism, ability to run and throw an accurate deep ball. While Hinojosa has experience on his side, Hartman holds sophomores Shemar Davis and Mikey Serrano in high regard, and both are capable athletes that could help at the skill positions if they don't win the starting quarterback gig.

RUNNING BACK

What to expect in 2018: Senior Josh Traylor will take on an expanded role following the graduation of Avery Akbar (1,249 rush yards in 2017). Traylor is moving up the all-time career statistical charts at Lee, as he has combined to rush for 2,549 yards and score 27 touchdowns in two previous seasons. Hartman says Traylor could get up to 20-25 carries in some games this year, and has worked hard in the weight room to prepare for the workload. Speedster Isaiah Harvey and Davis are among the backs that will spell Traylor.

WIDE RECEIVER

What to expect in 2018: Sheldon Bass Jr. and Loic Fouonji highlight a spectacular receiving corps that might be the best in District 2-6A. Fouonji and Bass both have the ability to turn short passes into big yardage scoring plays. Bass had 39 receptions for 621 yards and six TDs last year, while Fononji scored five TDs and led Lee with a 22.6 yards per catch average. Fouonji has offers from four Power Five college football programs. The Rebels are expecting converted cornerback Logan Acosta to make a big impact in the slot with his blazing speed.

OFFENSIVE LINE

What to expect in 2018: Despite losing five senior starters from a strong unit, the Rebels believe they are reloading here, not rebuilding with a deep group of nine linemen that all could end up contributing. Junior Eric Cisneros will anchor the group, as he was only sophomore to log time on the Rebels o-line in 2017. Cisneros can play all three positions on the line, but will likely be slotted at one of the tackle spots. Praised for his dedication, Cisneros is known for arriving at the fieldhouse one hour early in the morning to watch film. Returning letterman Ian Ordorica will help Lee at right tackle.

DEFENSIVE LINE

What to expect in 2018: Hartman says this might be the biggest and deepest group of defensive linemen he has ever coached. Senior nose guards Jaiven White and Joseph Hart and senior defensive end Daedrian Madrid are back after logging significant playing time last year. White is a handful inside with his 6-foot-4, 285-pound frame. White registered five tackles for loss in 2017. Hartman also has high hopes for reserve defensive end Charlie Gonzales. Romeo Martinez, who contributed for Lee as a sophomore, returns as a defensive end after transferring away as a junior.

LINEBACKER

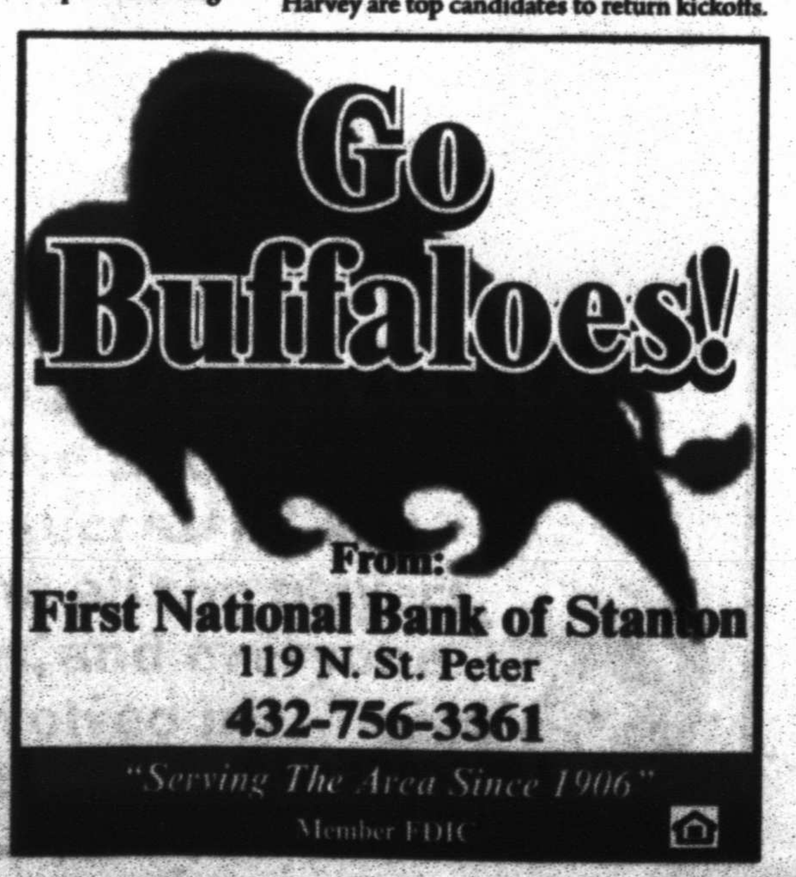
What to expect in 2018: The Rebels still like their talent at this position even with the graduation of Isaiah Nunez, who signed with Air Force after earning APSE Class 6A second team all-state honors. Junior Michael Hinojosa is the one to watch at inside linebacker following a standout sophomore campaign when he tallied 79 tackles and 12 tackles for loss. Hinojosa, the younger brother of Felix, will be accompanied by junior Jasper Partridge at the other inside linebacker spot. Harvey, Trent Low and Ryan Quiroz give Lee three capable outside linebackers. Harvey is a disruptive defender and a leader. Low played as a sophomore before an early season injury ended his season.

SECONDARY

What to expect in 2018: Free safety Karl Taylor burst onto a scene with a super sophomore season in 2017, registering 92 tackles, eight tackles for loss, three passes defended and an interception. Hartman says Taylor is as good of a secondary player he has ever coached. Mykai Pertile, who had 41 tackles at linebacker last season, will man the other safety spot. Juniors Damian Garcia and Bruce Franco have emerged as the two top corners, while sophomore Trey Huber will contribute as a reserve cornerback. Anthony Gonzales has the versatility to play corner and safety. Brian Hicks is the top reserve at safety.

SPECIAL TEAMS

What to expect in 2018: Senior kicker John Thompson made 73 of 76 PATs and hit all three field goal attempts last year. Fouonji returns as the Rebels' punter and kickoff specialist. Taylor is slated to return punts, while Fouonji, Bass, Traylor, Acosta and Harvey are top candidates to return kickoffs.



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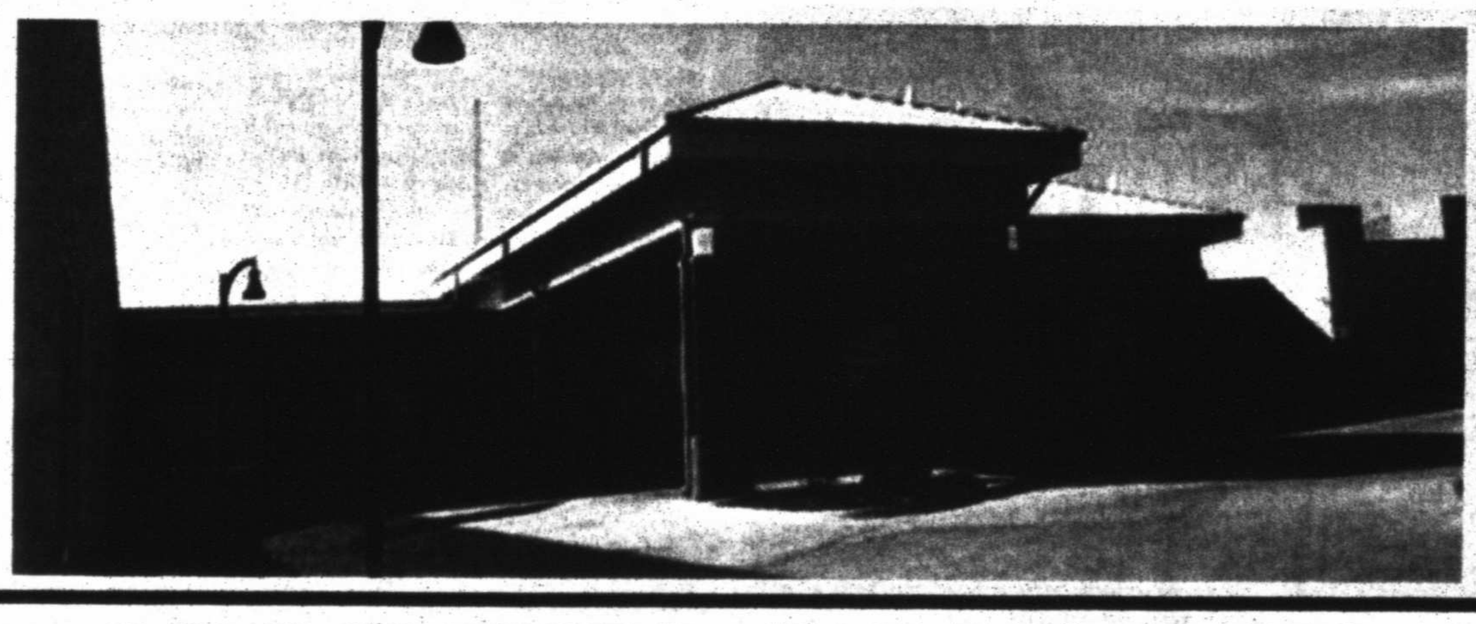

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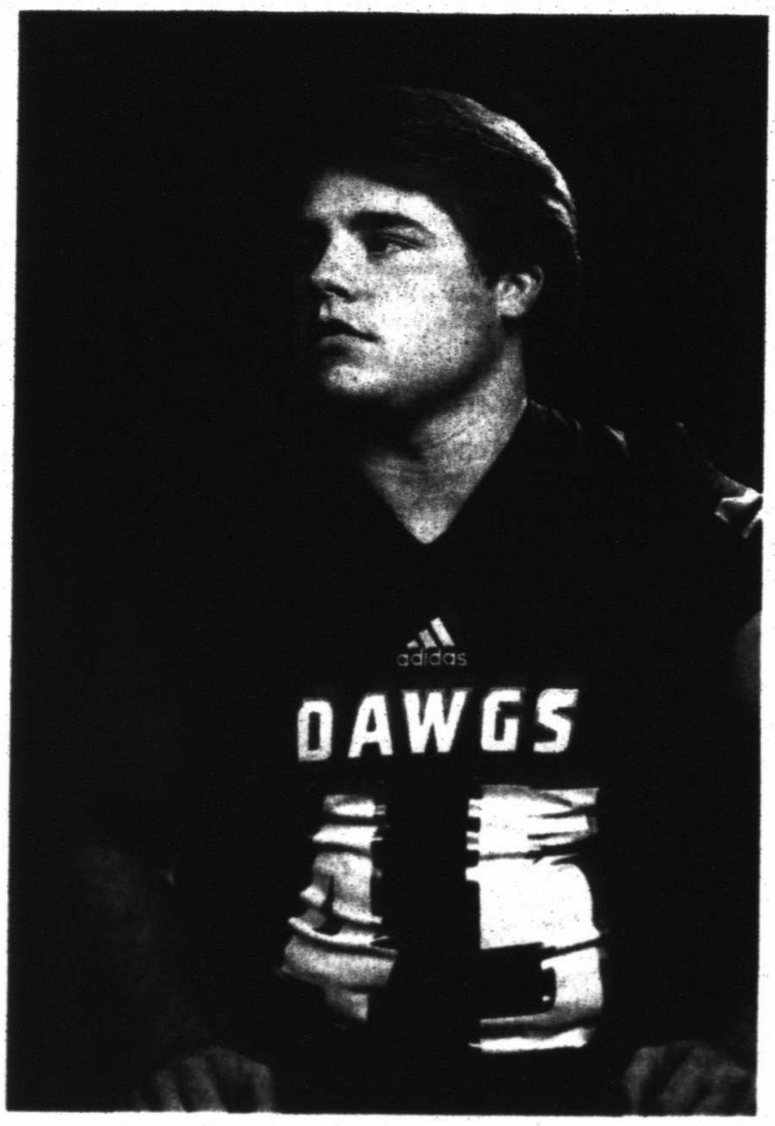
Q&A with MHS' Smith Essman



MHS linebacker Smith Essman
JAMES DURBIN/REPORTER-TELEGRAM

By Christopher Hadorn
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Finding the ball carrier has always come naturally for Midland High senior linebacker Smith Essman.

Essman has a knack for chasing down an opposing runner in traffic and bringing them to the turf.

In his two seasons with the Bulldogs, Essman has racked up an astounding 240 tackles, an average of 11.4 tackles per game.

The three-year starter has been a tackling machine ever since he first stepped foot on the gridiron, accumulating 12 tackles in his varsity debut in 2016 against eventual state champion DeSoto.

At the time, Essman was bumped up from the JV team and weighed around 165 pounds according to MHS head coach Tim Anuszkiewicz. Since then, Essman has matured into a bigger, stronger linebacker that is a constant in the Bulldogs' weight room. The 5-foot-10, 210-pound senior is not much of talker, preferring to lead by example with his actions.

"He's an extension of the coaching staff," Anuszkiewicz said. "He is the kid that I expect like every good linebacker I've been around, he's able to come off the field and say 'Coach, this is what they are trying to do. Here's what they are trying to do, here's how they are blocking the scheme, here's how they are getting to me' and that kid helps you as a coach.

"By taking his information, it helps your adjustments on the sidelines. That's where Smith is at right now. He's a veteran ball player. He's a guy you build the defense around. We are going to try to protect him and give him a chance to make a ton of tackles."

The Reporter-Telegram caught up with Essman to talk about his penchant for making tackles, the 2018 Bulldogs and his goals for the upcoming season.

Coach Anuszkiewicz said you were like a coach on the field. What are things you do on the field to help out the coaching staff during a game?

I think I help players with the play call and take the lead and make sure everyone is doing what they are supposed to and execute.

How has your role changed now in your senior year?

As a sophomore, I just had to sit back and just let the seniors then do their job and just play. And then junior year, I think had to be more of a leader, but not as much because we still had the seniors. As a senior, since I'm captain, I have to be more of a leader and more vocal and just hold everybody accountable.

Being a three-year starter, are there a lot of kids that look up to you because the experience you have and what you've done through the years?

Definitely. I think being on varsity three years. I think kids are like, 'Oh, we kind to have to listen to him. He knows what he is doing.' And stuff like that.

Coach Anuszkiewicz raves about your ability to get to the ball. What do you attribute your high tackle totals to?

I think the high tackles come from going to the ball fast and not really thinking too much, just attacking.

What role does your defensive line play in your tackle numbers?

The guys up front push back the line so they can't really get up to me. They're the reason I have all the tackles. They're doing the dirty work and I just get all the tackles.

The tackle totals, is it something that you ever notice at the end of the game when they show you the stat sheet?

I definitely notice it. Winning is definitely the number one priority, but it's kind of cool just to see how many tackles I have.

What's it like to play for Tim Anuszkiewicz?

He's an awesome coach. I love the dude. He's just high motor. He's an old school guy that puts in the work and wants to win.

What kind of impact did (retired MHS baseball coach) Barry Russell have on your sports career?

He had an impact. He taught me about hard work and the value of sticking to it.

Now that you're a senior, what are your goals for this season?

Definitely win the district and just to go deep in the playoffs because I haven't gone past round two yet, so I want to see what's that like.

As a senior, do you feel the responsibility to pass down what was passed down to you as a younger player?

I feel like that I have to put in the work, show the younger kids the work ethic, so they can keep it going and keep Midland High winning.

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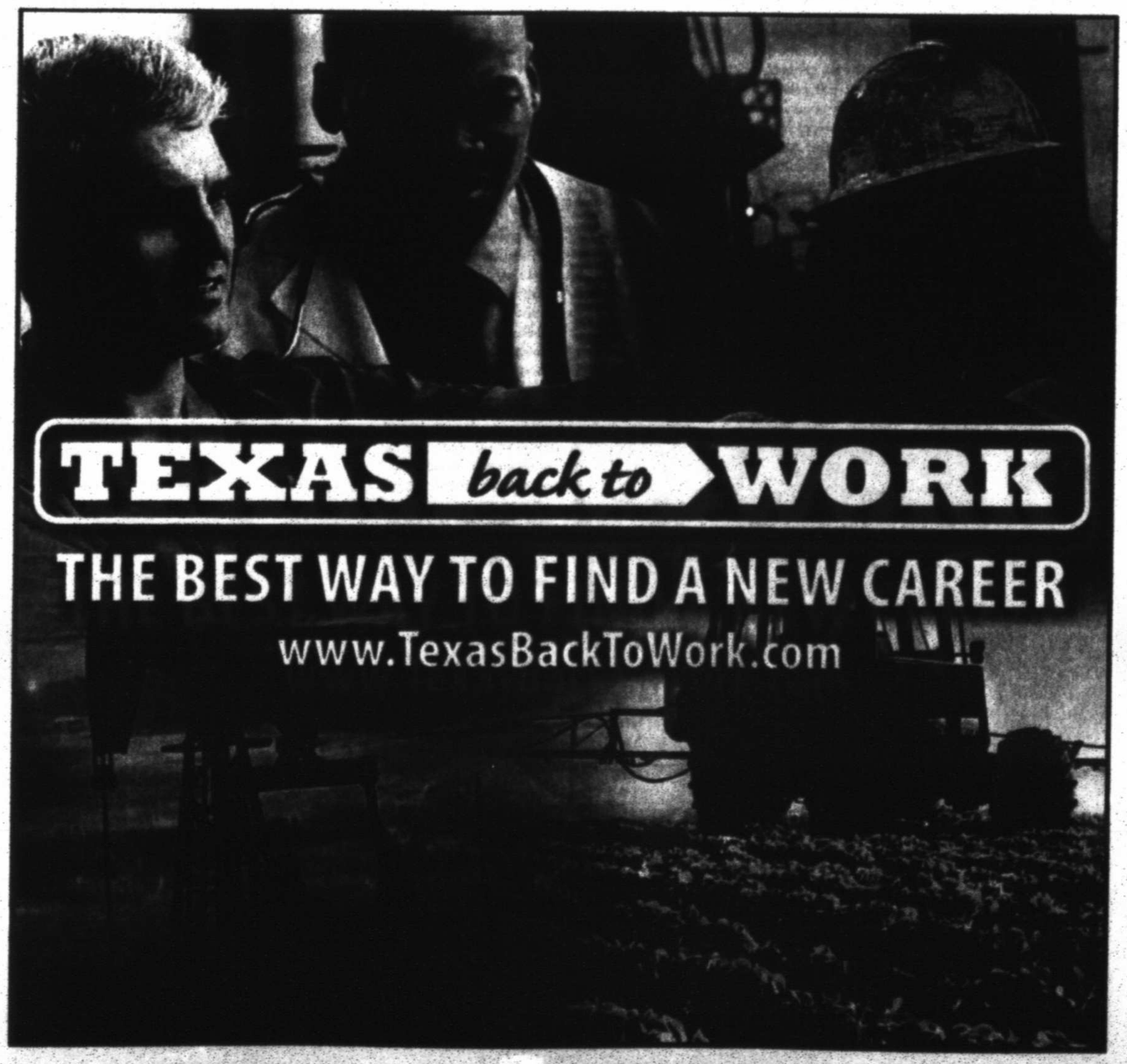


MHS Fast Facts and Position Breakdowns

Head coach: Tim Anuszkiewicz, 2nd season at MHS (3-8 at MHS, 9-31 in four years overall)
Assistant coaches: Ector Lopez, Jeff Streun, Todd Pearson, Adam Honaker, Mason Munguia, Mike Sadler, Mike Bettenhausen, Jarryd Taylor, Danny Neighbors, Nick Hull, Matt Medley, Ryan Holmstrom, Laurence Smith, TJ Turner, Steve Martin
2017 record: 3-8, 3-3 in District 2-6A (4th)
Returning starters: 5 offense, 7 defense
Typical offense: Spread
Typical defense: 4-2-5
Last playoff appearance: 2017, lost to El Paso Montwood, 42-35, in bi-district
Enrollment: 3,417
Homecoming: Sept. 14 vs. El Paso Franklin
Rivalry game: Nov. 2 vs. Lee
Home stadium: Grande Communications Stadium

2018 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Canyon Randall	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 6	at E.P. Pebble Hills	5 p.m. CDT
Sept. 14	E.P. Franklin	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Abilene	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 29	Harlingen	11 a.m.
Oct. 12	Tascosa*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Frenship*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Permian*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Lee*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Odessa High*	7:30 p.m.

*denotes District 2-6A game

2017 RESULTS

	Regular season
Sept. 1	EP Franklin 48, MHS 22
Sept. 7	EP Montwood 58, MHS 53
Sept. 15	DeSoto 41, MHS 14
Sept. 22	Keller 36, MHS 26
Sept. 29	Lee 49, MHS 14
Oct. 6	MHS 21, Frenship 7
Oct. 13	Permian 35, MHS 9
Oct. 27	MHS 49, Tascosa 42
Nov. 3	SA Central 21, MHS 14
Nov. 10	MHS 31, Odessa High 28
	Postseason
Nov. 16	Bi-district, EP Montwood 42, MHS 35

2018 ROSTER

(Subject to change)

No.	Name	Class	Position
1	Jordan Ortega	Sr.	WR
2	Josh Lehrer	Jr.	WR
3	Dez Washington	Sr.	WR
4	Nick Baiano	Jr.	WR
5	Scott Pham	Sr.	RB
6	Tanner King	Sr.	CB
7	Suddin Sapien	Sr.	QB
8	Sean Porter	Sr.	FS
9	Amador Rodriguez	So.	FS/SS
10	Josh Klattenhoff	Sr.	WR
11	Javon Mathews	Sr.	CB
13	Christian Haynie	Sr.	WR
14	John Pacheco	Sr.	SS
15	Josh Garza	So.	CB
16	Issiah Valenzuela	Sr.	CB
17	Josh Acrey	Sr.	CB
19	Nick Peralta	Jr.	QB
20	Jesiah Portillo	Sr.	SS
21	Braeden Horne	Sr.	CB
22	DQ Harris	Sr.	RB
24	Damien Rojas	Sr.	FS
26	Josh Del Bosque	Sr.	RB
28	Ivan Campos	Jr.	K
29	Sebastian Luna	Sr.	CB
30	Sly Galindo	Jr.	SS
31	Preston Brockington	So.	CB/WR
32	Daniel Garcia	So.	WR
33	Jesse Villarreal	Sr.	SS
34	Kevin Martinez	Sr.	LB
35	Sergio Levya	Jr.	SS
40	Yovani Saenz	Sr.	LB
41	Myles Jones	Jr.	LB
42	Kaden Kirkland	Sr.	DE
43	Stephen Riley	Jr.	DE
44	Callan Lancaster	Sr.	TE
45	Smith Essman	Sr.	LB
48	Vidal Saenz	Sr.	DE
50	Isaiah Hernandez	Sr.	DL
52	Ethan Ruiz	Sr.	DL
53	Kole Kirk	Sr.	OL
54	Marshall Mayfield	Sr.	LB
55	Josh Ramos	Sr.	C
56	Aaron Wood	Sr.	OL
58	Ben Browder	Jr.	C
60	Lucas Torres	Jr.	OL
61	Carlos Baiza	Sr.	OL
62	Jeffrey Niedecken	Jr.	DE
64	Adiel Ramon	Sr.	OL
68	Ammar York	Sr.	DL
70	Jacob Herrera	Sr.	C
71	Nate Salazar	Sr.	DL
72	Seth Reed	Sr.	OL
73	Braden Hunt	Sr.	OL
74	Francisco Armendariz	Sr.	OL
75	Spencer Blue	Jr.	OL
76	Brett Canis	So.	OL
77	Roman Natividad	Sr.	DE
80	James Jobe	Sr.	WR
82	Preston Mackey	Sr.	WR
83	Campbell Keithley	Jr.	TE
84	Max Ledbetter	Sr.	WR
85	Jacob Durant	Sr.	DE
89	Kadin Welch	Jr.	DE
91	Karlo Urias	Jr.	DE
95	Xavier Ramirez	Sr.	DL
99	Jaime Salazar	Sr.	DL

BREAKING DOWN THE BULLDOGS

QUARTERBACK

What to expect in 2018: Suddin Sapien cemented himself as the starter during the Bulldogs' late run to the playoffs when they won three of their last five district games. The 6-foot-4, 220-pound dual-threat quarterback threw for 1,461 yards and 14 TDs, while rushing for 641 yards and six scores. The U.T.-San Antonio commit can stretch the field with a strong arm and is a physical, elusive runner. Nick Peralta and Josh Lehrer are candidates to backup Sapien after junior Riggs McDonald transferred to Midland Christian.

RUNNING BACKS

What to expect in 2018: DQ Harris has the speed to break the long rush, and the physicality to run north-south and gain the tough yards. Harris had 97 carries for 603 rush yards and two TDs, while leading the Bulldogs with a 6.2 average yards per carry. Harris' highlight of 2017 was a 216-yard rushing performance against Wolfforth Frenship. The versatile Lehrer is expected to get reps at running back, too. Tim Gates, who rushed for 900 yards and nine TDs last season, is no longer with the program after his family moved to Odessa.

WIDE RECEIVERS/TIGHT ENDS

What to expect in 2018: Anuszkiewicz anticipates the receiver group having the most competition in the preseason. Josh Lehrer was the spring standout of the outside wide receivers. Dez Washington and Nick Baiano impressed the coaching staff with their consistent play in the slot receiver spots during the spring. Anuszkiewicz hasn't ruled out defensive players, such as incumbent cornerback Josh Acrey, helping at receiver. Junior tight end Campbell Keithley brings intrigue to the offense, as he has the versatility to line up outside, be an inline blocker in a three-point stance and play in the backfield as a fullback.

OFFENSIVE LINE

What to expect in 2018: The Bulldogs lost four of their five starters from a splendid 2017 unit that paved the way for a rushing attack that averaged 211.8 yards per game. Center Joshua Ramos is the lone returning starter, and he earned praise last season for his toughness and preparation. Despite the new faces, Anuszkiewicz says junior Spencer Blue, senior Carlos Baiza and junior Ben Browder were capable of contributing for the varsity last season, but the staff felt it was better off developing by playing on JV. Blue is the front runner to start at left tackle. Sophomore tackle Brett Canis is athletic for a 6-foot-8, 275-pound lineman, and has a bright future with the program. Anuszkiewicz anticipates Canis' role will increase as he gets more accustomed to the speed of the varsity level.

DEFENSIVE LINE

What to expect in 2018: This might be the deepest position group on the team. Defensive tackle Isaiah Hernandez had a big impact in district play, finishing the season with 41 tackles and five tackles for loss. Ammar York, who lines up at the other tackle spot, has impressed coaches with his motor and effort in the middle. Nate Salazar and Ethan Ruiz are two returning lettermen that give MHS the depth to run three tackle sets or matchup well in short-yardage. Defensive end Kaden Kirkland was one of the team's stars in spring football. Steven Riley stood out on JV last year and is expected to vie for playing time at one of the end spots.

LINEBACKERS

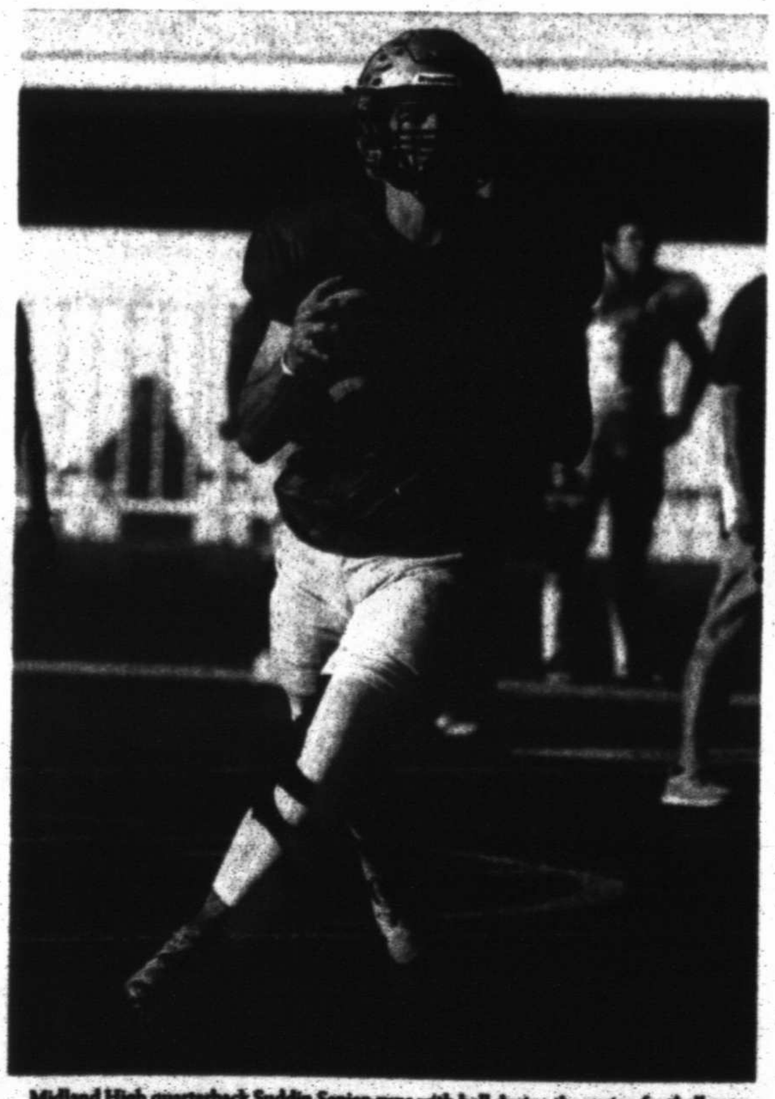
What to expect in 2018: Smith Essman, the 2017 Reporter-Telegram Defensive Player of the Year, is the unquestioned leader of the Bulldogs defense. Essman had 134 total tackles (107 solo), 14 tackles for loss, two sacks, two fumbles caused and one fumble recovery last year. The versatile Marshall Mayfield and Myles Jones will both play at weakside linebacker. Mayfield is lauded for his ability to play in space, while Jones is adept against the run.

SECONDARY

What to expect in 2018: Free safety Sean Porter made an impression during spring football with his physical play and his knack for flowing to the football. Anuszkiewicz says Porter has an attacking style that leads to big plays, and his understanding of the Bulldogs' defensive scheme has grown. Acrey, one of the best athletes on the team, is back as a starting cornerback. Jesiah Portillo and Jessie Villarreal are both returning lettermen that will play at the strong safety spots. Braeden Horne started at corner for the Bulldogs in 2017, but will miss the early part of the season because of an undisclosed injury. Anuszkiewicz says this group is focusing on surrendering fewer big passing plays this season after it was a problem in the early part of 2017.

SPECIAL TEAMS

What to expect in 2018: Junior Ivan Campos was an All-District 2-6A first team kicker after going a perfect 35 for 35 on PAT attempts last year. Anuszkiewicz says Campos has improved his leg strength during the offseason, and believes MHS be capable of scoring when it moves the ball to the 27-yard line and inside. Sapien and Lehrer are both favorites to punt. Sophomore Daniel Garcia has the speed and quickness to help out as a kick returner, along with Lehrer. Acrey is the favorite to return punts. Anuszkiewicz says Acrey has the guts to go catch the ball.



Midland High quarterback Suddin Sapien runs with ball during the spring football game May 17, at Memorial Stadium.

2018 HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SCHEDULES

*Denotes district opponent

District 2-6A

LEE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	at Smithson Valley	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Abilene High	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	at El Paso Montwood	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	El Paso Eastwood	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 29	at San Benito	4 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Wolfforth Frenship*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Odessa High*	7:30 p.m.
Oc. 26	Amarillo Tascosa*	7 p.m.
Nov. 2	Midland High*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	Odessa Permian*	7 p.m.

All home games at Grande Communications Stadium

MIDLAND HIGH

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Canyon Randall	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 6	at El Paso Pebble Hills	6 p.m.(CDT)
Sept. 14	El Paso Franklin	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Abilene High	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 29	Harlingen	11 a.m.
Oct. 12	Amarillo Tascosa*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Wolfforth Frenship*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Odessa Permian	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Lee*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Odessa High*	7:30 p.m.

All home games at Grande Communications Stadium

ODESSA PERMIAN

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	DeSoto	7 p.m.
Sept. 7	at El Paso Franklin	7 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Southlake Carroll	7 p.m.
Sept. 21	International School of Broward (FL)	7 p.m.
Sept. 28	Los Fresnos	7 p.m.
Oct. 12	Odessa High*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 18	at Amarillo Tascosa*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	Midland High*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Wolfforth Frenship*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Lee*	7:30 p.m.

All home games at Ratliff Stadium

ODESSA HIGH

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 30	at Lubbock Monterey	7 p.m.
Sept. 7	Buckeye (Ariz.)	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Lubbock Coronado	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 20	El Paso Montwood	7 p.m.
Sept. 29	at Harlingen South	11 a.m.
Oct. 12	at Odessa Permian*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Lee*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Wolfforth Frenship*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Amarillo Tascosa*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	Midland High*	7:30 p.m.

All home games at Ratliff Stadium

AMARILLO TASCOSA

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Abilene High	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	Amarillo High	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 13	Amarillo Palo Duro	7 p.m.
Sept. 21	El Paso Amaricas	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 29	a-Brownsville Hanna	11 a.m.
Oct. 12	at Midland High*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 18	Odessa Permian*	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Lee*	7 p.m.
Nov. 2	Odessa High*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Wolfforth Frenship*	7:30 p.m.

a-at San Antonio

All home games at Dick Bivins Stadium, Amarillo

WOLFFORTH FRENSHIP

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 30	at Amarillo High	7 p.m.
Sept. 7	Wichita Falls Hirschi	7p.m.
Sept. 14	at Lubbock Cooper	7 p.m.
Sept. 21	a-El Paso Andress	7 p.m.
Sept. 28	Canyon Randall	7 p.m.
Oct. 12	Lee*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Midland High*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	Odessa High*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Odessa Permian*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	Amarillo Tascosa*	7:30 p.m.

a-at Hobbs, N.M.

All home games at Peoples Bank Stadium, Wolfforth

District 2-4A Division I

ANDREWS

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Lubbock Cooper	7 p.m.
Sept. 7	Monahans	7 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Levelland	7 p.m.
Sept. 21	Snyder	7 p.m.
Sept. 28	at El Paso Mountain View	7 p.m.
Oct. 5	Hereford	7 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Canyon	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Big Spring*	7 p.m.
Nov. 2	San Angelo Lake View*	7 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Seminole*	7 p.m.

All home games at the Mustang Bowl, Andrews

BIG SPRING

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Greenwood	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Sweetwater	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Monahans	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Pecos	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Wall	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	Canyon	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Dumas	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	Andrews*	7 p.m.
Nov. 2	Seminole*	7 p.m.
Nov. 8	at San Angelo Lake View*	7 p.m.

All home games at Memorial Stadium, Big Spring

SEMINOLE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Lubbock High	7 p.m.
Sept. 7	Idalou	7 p.m.
Sept. 14	Pecos	7 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Greenwood	7 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Denver City	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	at Levelland	7 p.m.
Oct. 12	Brownfield	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	at San Angelo Lake View*	7 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Big Spring*	7 p.m.
Nov. 9	Andrews*	7 p.m.

All home games at Wigwam Stadium, Seminole

SAN ANGELO LAKE VIEW

Date	Opponent	Time
Sept. 7	Fabens	7 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Snyder	7 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Fort Stockton	7 p.m.
Sept. 28	Llano	7 p.m.
Oct. 4	Brownfield	7 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Hereford	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	Seminole*	7 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Andrews*	7 p.m.
Nov. 8	Big Spring*	7 p.m.

All home games at San Angelo Stadium, San Angelo

District 4-2A Division II

GREENWOOD

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	at Big Spring	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	Hereford	7 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Shallowater	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	Seminole	7 p.m.
Sept. 28	Sweetwater*	7 p.m.
Oct. 5	at Lamesa*	7 p.m.
Oct. 12	Pecos*	7 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Snyder*	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	Fort Stockton*	7 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Monahans*	7 p.m.

All home games at J.M. King Memorial Stadium

LAMESA

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	San Angelo Lake View	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Sonora	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Canyon	7p.m.
Sept. 22	at Lubbock High	2 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Monahans*	7 p.m.
Oct. 5	Greenwood*	7 p.m.
Oct 12	at Sweetwater*	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	Pecos*	7 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Snyder*	7 p.m.

All home games at Tornado Stadium, Lamesa

FORT STOCKTON

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Kermit	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Alpine	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	El Paso Riverside	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	San Angelo Lake View	7 p.m.
Sept. 28	Pecos*	7 p.m.
Oct. 5	at Snyder*	7 p.m.
Oct. 18	Monahans*	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Greenwood*	7 p.m.
Nov. 2	Sweetwater*	7 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Lamesa*	7 p.m.

All home games at Panther Stadium, Fort Stockton

MONAHANS

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Clint	7 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Andrews	7 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Big Spring	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	Midland Christian	7 p.m.
Sept. 28	Lamesa*	7 p.m.
Oct. 5	at Pecos*	7 p.m.
Oct. 12	Snyder*	7 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Fort Stockton*	7 p.m.
Nov. 2	Greenwood*	7 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Sweetwater*	7 p.m.

All homes games at Estes Memorial Stadium, Monahans

PECOS

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Denver City	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Kermit	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Seminole	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	Big Spring	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Fort Stockton*	7 p.m.
Oct. 5	Monahans*	7 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Greenwood*	7 p.m.
Oct. 19	Sweetwater*	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Lamesa*	7 p.m.
Nov. 9	Snyder*	7 p.m.

All home games at Eagle Stadium, Pecos

SNYDER

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	at Littlefield	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	Brownwood	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	San Angelo Lake View	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Andrews	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	Fort Stockton*	7 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Monahans*	7 p.m.
Oct. 19	Greenwood*	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Sweetwater*	7 p.m.
Nov. 2	Lamesa*	7 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Pecos*	7 p.m.

All home games at Tiger Stadium, Snyder

District 3-2A Division II

STANTON

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	at Reagan County	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	Wink	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Forsan	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	New Deal	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	Abernathy*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Lubbock Roosevelt*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	Coahoma*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Idalou*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	Colorado City*	7:30 p.m.

All home games at Buffalo Stadium, Stanton

COAHOMA

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 30	a-Forsan	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	McCamey	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Wink	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Slaton	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	Iraan	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Idalou*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Abernathy*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Stanton*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Colorado City*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	Lubbock Roosevelt*	7:30 p.m.

a-at Big Spring

All home games at Bulldog Stadium, Coahoma

ABERNATHY

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Amarillo River Road	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	Sundown	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Wellington	7 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Post	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	Littlefield	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Stanton*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Coahoma*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	Colorado City*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Lubbock Roosevelt*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	Idalou*	7:30 p.m.

All home games at Antelope Stadium, Abernathy

COLORADO CITY

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	at Albany	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	Crane	7:30 p.m.
Sept 14	at Ballinger	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	Forsan	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	Clyde	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Lubbock Roosevelt*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Idalou*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Abernathy*	7;30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Coahoma*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Stanton*	7:30 p.m.

All home games at Wolf Stadium, Colorado City

IDALOU

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	at Shallowater	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Seminole	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Littlefield	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	Denver City	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	Muleshoe	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	Coahoma*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Colorado City*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	Lubbock Roosevelt*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Stanton*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Abernathy*	7:30 p.m.

All home games at Reddell Field, Idalou

LUBBOCK ROOSEVELT

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	New Deal	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Tahoka	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Post	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Friona	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Floydada	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	Colorado City*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Stanton*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Idalou*	7:30p.m.
Nov. 2	Abernathy*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Cooahoma*	7:30 p.m.

All home games at Eagle Field, Lubbock

District 3-2A Division I
FORSAN

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 30	a-Coahoma	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Post	7:30p.m.
Sept. 14	Stanton	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Colorado City	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Reagan County	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	Wink	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Ozona*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Winters*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Hawley*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Stamford*	7:30 p.m.

a-at Big Spring

All home games at Buffalo Stadium, Forsan

HAWLEY

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Roscoe	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	Bangs	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Hamlin	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	Albany	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Windthorst	7 p.m.
Oct. 5	at Seymour	7 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Winters*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	Stamford*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Forsan*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	Ozona*	7:30 p.m.

All games at Forrest Field, Hawley

OZONA

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Sonora	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	Iraan	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Reagan County	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Harper	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	Junction	7:30 P.M.
Oct 5	at Crane	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	Stamford*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Forsan*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Winters*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Hawley	7:30 p.m.

All home games at Lion Stadium, Ozona

STAMFORD

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	at Merkel	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Roscoe	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Anson	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	Haskell	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	De Leon	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	at Clyde	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Ozona*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Winters*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Hawley*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	Forsan*	7:30 p.m.

All home games at Bill Anderson Stadium, Stamford

WINTERS

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Goldthwaite	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Eldorado	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Bangs	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	Ranger	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Christoval	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	at Iraan	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	Hawley	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Stamford	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	Forsan	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Ozona	7:30 p.m.

All home games at Blizzard Stadium, Winters

District 1-A Division I (Six-Man)
GRADY

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Highland	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Southland	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Silverton	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Grandfalls-Royalty	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Westbrook	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	Robert Lee	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	O'Donnell*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Ackerly Sands*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Klondike*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Borden County*	7:30 p.m.

All home games at Tunnell Field, Lenorah

SANDS

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 30	Balmorhea	8 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Ira	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Whiteface	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	Sterling City	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Wellman-Union	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	Westbrook	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	Klondike*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Borden County*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	Grady*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	at O'Donnell*	7:30 p.m.

At Mustang Field, Ackerly

BORDEN COUNTY

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	a-Union Hill	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Westbook	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Knox City	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	a-Strawn	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	at O'Donnell*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Sands*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Klondike*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	Grady*	7:30 p.m.

a-at Jayton

All home games at Coyote Stadium, Gail

KLONDIKE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 30	a-Westbrook	5 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Rankin	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Wilson	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	Meadow	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Imperial Buena Vista	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Sands*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Loraine	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	Borden County*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Grady*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	O'Donnell*	7:30 p.m.

a-at Garden City

All home games at Cougar Stadium, Klondike

O'DONNELL

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	at Southland	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	Whiteface	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Ropes	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Petersburg	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	Anton	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	Spur	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	Borden County*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Grady*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Sands*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Klondike*	7:30 p.m.

All home games at Johnson Field, O'Donnell

District 8-1A Division I
GARDEN CITY

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Amarillo San Jacinto	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Morton	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Balmorhea	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	Imperial Buena Vista	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Rankin	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	Strawn	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Water Valley*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Westbrook*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Highland*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Sterling City*	7:30 p.m.

All home games at Bearkat Stadium, Garden City

HIGHLAND

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	at Grady	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	Blackwell	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Bronte	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Loraine	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	Robert Lee	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	at Panther Creek	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Westbrook*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	Sterling City*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Garden City*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	Water Valley*	7:30 p.m.

All home games at Hornet Field, Roscoe

STERLING CITY

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Bastrop Tribe	5 p.m.
Sept. 7	Imperial Buena Vista	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Hermleigh	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Sands	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Bronte	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	Rankin	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Water Valley*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Westbrook*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Highland*	7:30 p.m.
Nov, 8	Garden City*	7:30 p.m.

a-at Garden City

All home games at Eagle Stadium, Sterling City

WATER VALLEY

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	at Robert Lee	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	Veribest	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Zephyr	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Ira	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	Eden	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	at Paint Rock	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	Sterling City	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Garden City*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Westrbook*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Highland*	7:30 p.m.

All home games at Wildcat Field, Water Valley

WESTBROOK

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 30	a-Klondike	5 p.m.
Sept. 7	Borden County	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Veribest	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	Rankin	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	Grady	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	at Sands	7;30 p.m.
Oct. 12	Highland*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Sterling City*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	Garden City*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Water Valley*	7:30.p.m.

a-at Garden City

All home games at Wildcat Stadium, Westbrook

PRIVATE SCHOOLS
MIDLAND CHRISTIAN

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	El Paso Chapin	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at El Paso Americas	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Wall	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Monahans	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Fort Worth Christian	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	San Antonio Cornerstone	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Addison Trinity Christian*	7 p.m.
Oct. 19	Denton Liberty Christian*	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Fort Worth Nolan Catholic	7 p.m.
Nov. 9	Fort Worth All Saints*	7 p.m.

*Denotes TAPPS Division I District 1 game

All home games at Gordon Awtry Field

TRINITY

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Compass Academy	7 p.m.
Sept. 14	Kermit	7 p.m.
Sept. 21	Compass Academy	7 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Dallas First Baptist	7 p.m.
Oct. 12	Lubbock Trinity*	7 p.m.
Oct. 19	Lubbock Christian*	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Willow Park Trinity*	7 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Flower Mound Coram Deo*	7 p.m.
Nov. 9	at FW Temple Christian*	7 p.m.

*Denotes TAPPS Division 3 District 1 opponent

All home games at Coombes Field

Other Schools of Interest
RANKIN

Date	Opponent	Time
Sept. 1	a-Lubbock Titans	5 p.m.
Sept. 7	Klondike	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Imperial Buena Vista	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Westbrook	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	Garden City	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	at Sterling City	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Nueces Canyon	
Oct. 26	at Fort Davis*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 1	Marfa*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 8	at Balmorhea*	7:30 p.m.

a-at Garden City

*denotes District 7-A Division I game

All home games at Red Devil Stadium, Rankin

Midland Christian's Ben Gibbs runs against Tyler Grace Community in the TAPPS Division II bi-district game Nov. 18, 2017, at Gordon Awtry Field.
James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Odessa High Preview

BRONCHOS FAST FACTS
District: 2-6A
Head coach: Danny Servance, 3rd season at OHS (3-17 at OHS, 56-65 overall)
Assistant coaches: Dean Garza, Matt Anastasio, Ryan Jackson, Tyler Thompson, Eric Langehenning, Tate Smith, Dex Dennard, Ammad Quigley, Kyle Wolfle, Jared Couch, Ebbie Lisenbe, Brandon Mugrage, Justen Cotton, Cody Hicks, Gerry Lira, David Roberson, Billy Laminack
2017 record: 3-7, 1-5 in District 2-6A (6th)
Returning starters: 8 offense, 5 defense
Typical offense: Pistol
Typical defense: 4-3
Last playoff appearance: 2013, lost to Arlington Martin, 52-2, in the Class 5A area playoffs
Enrollment: 3,992
Homecoming: Sept. 7 vs. Buckeye, Ariz.
Rivalry game: Oct. 12 at Odessa Permian
Home stadium: Ratliff Stadium

2018 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 30	at Lubbock Monterey	7 p.m.
Sept. 7	Buckeye, Ariz.	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Lubbock Coronado	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 20	EP Montwood	7 p.m.
Sept. 29	at Harlingen South	11 a.m.
Oct. 12	at Permian*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Lee*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Frenship*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Tascosa*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	Midland High*	7:30 p.m.

*denotes District 2-6A game

2017 RESULTS

Aug. 31	OHS 28, Lubbock Monterey 24
Sept. 7	OHS 28, Amarillo High 21
Sept. 15	Lubbock Coronado 21, OHS 20
Sept. 21	Abilene High 31, OHS 21
Sept. 29	Tascosa 36, OHS 9
Oct. 6	San Angelo Central 38, OHS 20
Oct. 20	Lee 28, OHS 21
Oct. 27	OHS 28, Frenship 7
Nov. 3	Permian 35, OHS 9
Nov. 10	Midland High 31, OHS 28

2018 ROSTER

No.	Name	Class	Position
1	Davean Hernandez	Jr.	WR/DB
2	Julian Galindo	Sr.	RB/DB
3	Parker Cherry	Sr.	DB
4	Trey Smith	Sr.	QB
5	Auden Almance	Sr.	WR/DB
6	Carlos Jiminez	Sr.	WR/DB
7	Tyrone Caufield	Sr.	WR/DB
8	Kameron Gonzales	Sr.	QB
9	Christian Ochoa	Sr.	DB
10	Zeke Garcia	Sr.	QB/WR
11	Xavier Minjarez	Sr.	WR/DB
12	Edward Jiminez	Sr.	RB/DB
13	Askary Lujan	Sr.	WR/DB
14	Adrian Martinez	Sr.	WR/DB
15	Darrieyon Rangel	Sr.	DB
16	Irving Jurado	Sr.	WR/DB
17	Alex Perales	Sr.	WR/DB
18	Senjun McGarity	Jr.	RB
20	Charles McClure	Sr.	DB
21	Benny Dominguez	Sr.	WR/DB
25	Mike Campos	Sr.	RB/LB
26	Josh Lara	Sr.	K
27	Cain Cordova	Jr.	RB/LB
28	Christin Gamoba	Jr.	RB/LB
29	Anthony Gabilondo	Sr.	LB
31	Joel Flotte	Sr.	LB
32	Alvaro Gabilondo	Sr.	OLB
35	Ian Tavarez	Jr.	DE
40	Kevin Chavez	Sr.	TE/DE
41	Oscar Lucio	Sr.	LB/RB
42	Ramon Rodriguez	Sr.	LB/RB
43	Aaron Montes	Sr.	DE
44	Diego Salgado	Sr.	DE
45	Michael Gonzales	Sr.	ILB
47	Brandton McClendon	Jr.	LB/WR
48	Cade Mendoza	Jr.	LB/RB
50	Francisco Nave	Sr.	OL/DL
53	Keevan Majors	Sr.	DE/OL
54	Alexes Aremendariz	Sr.	OL/DL
55	Joe Balamos	Fr.	DE
57	Julian Adame	So.	OL/DL
63	Louis Wilson	Jr.	OL/DL
65	Joel Rodriguez	Jr.	OL
66	Nathan Medina	Jr.	DE
67	Alberto Valasquez	Sr.	OL/DL
68	Brandon Jones	Sr.	C
72	Justin Aguirre	Sr.	OL
73	Dustin Rivera	Sr.	OL/DL
79	Luis Nunez	Sr.	OL
81	Paulindo Gabaldon	Jr.	WR
82	Austin Aguirre	Jr.	TE/WR
85	Jesse Cervantes	So.	WR/DB
89	Rigoberto Marquez	So.	K

2018 BRONCHOS AT A GLANCE
OFFENSE
Strength: Seasoned depth in the backfield, four returners on o-line
Weakness: New faces in receiving corps outside of Tyrone Caufield
Key players
QB Trey Smith, Sr. – Incumbent signal caller completed 88 of 156 passes for 1,010 yards for 10 touchdowns and one interception.
WR Tyrone Caufield, Sr. – A threat to score every time he touches the football. The 6-foot, 175-pound wideout is clocked at 4.5 seconds in the 40-yard dash.
RB Senjun McGarity, Jr. – Physical 6-foot-1, 215-pound runner emerged as a weapon in district, rushing for 533 yards and four touchdowns.

DEFENSE
Strength: Experience at defensive end and secondary
Weakness: Lack of size
Key players
LB Michael Gonzalez, Sr. – Active 5-foot-10, 190-pound middle linebacker recorded 83 tackles, two sacks, two interceptions and a caused fumble in 2017.
DB Charles McClure, Sr. – Rangy defensive back racked up 70 tackles and has a blazing 4.4 40-yard dash time. He's also a threat in the return game.
DE Oscar Lucio, Sr. – The leader of the Bronchos' front four made his impact felt last year despite playing only five games.

Odessa Permian Preview

PANTHERS FAST FACTS
District: 2-6A
Head coach: Jeff Ellison, 1st season as head coach at Permian
2017 record: 9-2, 5-1 in District 2-6A (2nd)
Returning starters: 6 offense, 6 defense
Typical offense: Veer
Typical defense: 4-3
Last playoff appearance: 2017, lost to Arlington Martin, 41-10, in Class 6A Division I area round
Enrollment: 3,919.5
Homecoming: Sept. 21 vs. International School of Broward (Fla.)
Rivalry game: Nov. 9 at Lee
Home stadium: Ratliff Stadium

2018 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	DeSoto	7 p.m.
Sept. 7	at EP Franklin	7:30 p.m. CDT
Sept. 14	at Southlake Carroll	7 p.m.
Sept. 21	Intl. School of Broward (Fla.)	7 p.m.
Sept. 28	Los Fresnos	7 p.m.
Oct. 12	Odessa High*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 18	at Tascosa*	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	Midland High*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Frenship*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Lee*	7:30 p.m.

*denotes District 2-6A game

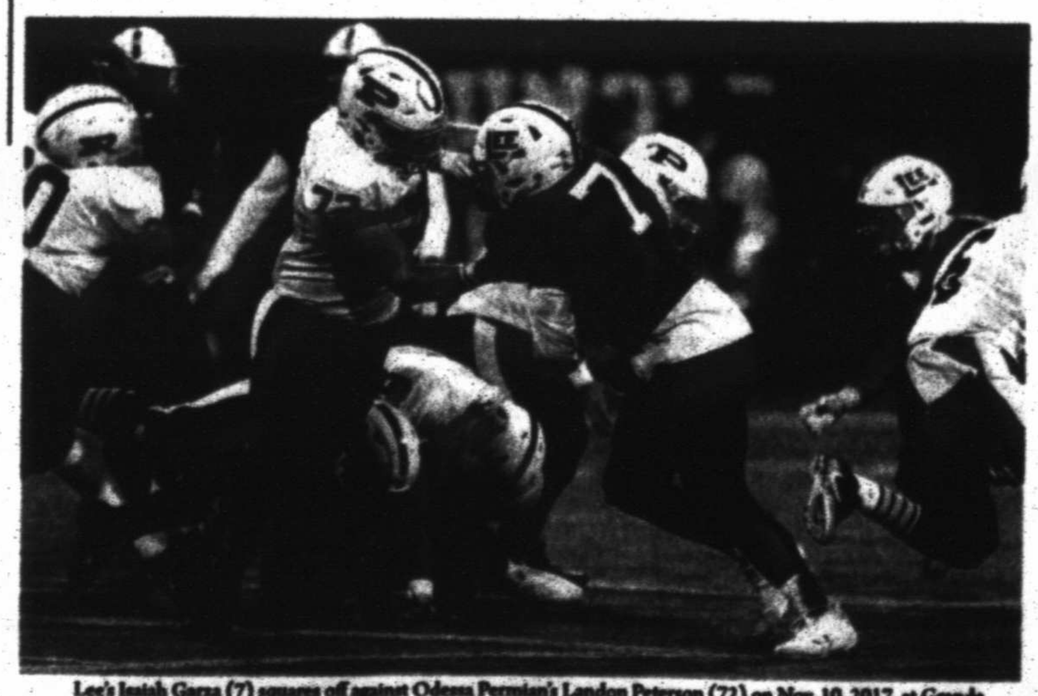
2017 RESULTS

Sept. 1	Permian 28, Austin Vandegrift 24
Sept. 8	Permian 42, El Paso Franklin 14
Sept. 15	Permian 49, El Paso Eastwood 27
Sept. 29	Permian 66, Frenship 14
Oct. 13	Permian 35, Midland High
Oct. 20	Permian 49, Tascosa 7
Oct. 27	San Angelo Central 31, Permian 20
Nov. 3	Permian 35, Odessa High 9
Nov. 10	Permian 42, Lee 7
	Postseason
Nov. 17	Bi-district, Permian 50, EP Coronado 17
Nov. 24	Area, Arlington Martin 41, Permian 10

2018 PANTHERS AT A GLANCE
OFFENSE
Strength: Dynamic backfield, talented o-line
Weakness: Inexperience at receiver
Key players
QB Peyton Powell, Sr. – Midland Christian transfer is the most sought after recruit in the Permian Basin. Powell's breakaway ability is tailor made for Permian's veer after he rushed for 1,014 yards and 12 TDs despite missing five games with a broken rib in 2017.
RB Ed Williams, Sr. – The 5-foot-10, 185-pound back teams with Powell and Justin Hammond to give Permian a potent three-headed rushing attack. Williams rushed for 1,476 yards and 17 TDs in 2017.
OT Landon Peterson, Sr. – The 6-foot-6, 265 pound tackle verbally committed to Baylor over the summer.
OG Dawson Reynolds, Sr. – The 2017 All-District 2-6A selection stands at 6-foot-3, 317 pounds. Reynolds has an offer from Air Force.
Ellison on Powell: "He's a natural leader. He's done a great job fitting in with our program, with our kids. We are extremely excited to see what we can do for us this season."

DEFENSE
Strength: Standouts with three-year experience, deep linebacking corps and secondary
Weakness: New faces on the defensive line
Key players
OLB Matt Jones, Sr. – Baylor commit is disruptive off the edge, registering 60 tackles and 11 sacks last year.
LB Tanner Adams, Sr. – The 5-foot-10, 212 pound middle linebacker roams sideline to sideline. He had 84 tackles, four sacks and two defensive TDs, while earning 2017 All-District 2-6A first team honors.
CB Christian Tschauner, Sr. – The 5-foot-11, 190-pound defensive back is a ball hawk, nabbing four interceptions in 2017 to earn first-team all-district recognition.
Ellison on the defense: "We have a lot of experience back on defense. A bunch of those guys have been starting since they were sophomores, so they're in their third year of starting. We going to lean on them early and throughout the year."

SPECIAL TEAMS
Strength: Seasoned kicker/punter, breakaway ability in return game
Weakness: None
Key player
K/P Carson Roberts, Jr. – Soccer player has been kicking for the Panthers since his freshman year.
Ellison on special teams: "(Roberts) has gotten so much better at kicking and punting, so we are looking for some great things this year."



Lee's Isaiah Garza (7) squares off against Odessa Permian's Landon Peterson (72) on Nov. 10, 2017, at Grande Communications Stadium. James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Amarillo Tascosa Preview

REBELS FAST FACTS
District: 2-6A
Head coach: Ken Plunk, 10th season at Tascosa (50-50 at Tascosa, 67-55 overall)
Assistant coaches: Josh Ritchey, Derek Galt, Dale Davis, Moises Sandoval, Greg Fortner, Christian Calflisch, Brandt Martin, Dane Hamrick, Dustin Bohannon, Jay Belcher, Trey Burleson, Joe Ledoux, Jason Powers, Jason Patrick, Jason Underwood
2017 record: 6-4, 2-4 in District 2-6A (5th)
Returning starters: 3 offense, 5 defense
Typical offense: Flexbone
Typical defense: 4-2-5
Last playoff appearance: 2016, lost to Mansfield, 54-43, in area
Enrollment: 2,281
Homecoming: Sept. 21 vs. El Paso Americas
Rivalry game: Sept. 7 vs. Amarillo High
Home stadium: Dick Bivins Stadium

2018 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Abilene High	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	Amarillo High	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 13	at Palo Duro	7 p.m.
Sept. 21	EP Americas	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 29	a-Brownsville Hanna	11 a.m.
Oct. 12	at Midland High*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 18	Permian*	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Lee*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Odessa High*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Frenship*	7:30 p.m.

*denotes District 2-6A game
a-played in San Antonio

2017 RESULTS

Aug. 31	Tascosa 55, Amarillo Palo Duro 8
Sept. 8	Tascosa 42, Plainview 24
Sept. 14	Tascosa 65, Lawton (Okla.) MacArthur 21
Sept. 22	Tascosa 27, Amarillo High 20
Sept. 29	Tascosa 36, Odessa High 9
Oct. 6	Lee 56, Tascosa 42
Oct. 12	Tascosa 52, Frenship 7
Oct. 20	Permian 49, Tascosa 7
Oct. 27	Midland High 49, Tascosa 42
Nov. 10	San Angelo Central 35, Tascosa 26

2018 ROSTER

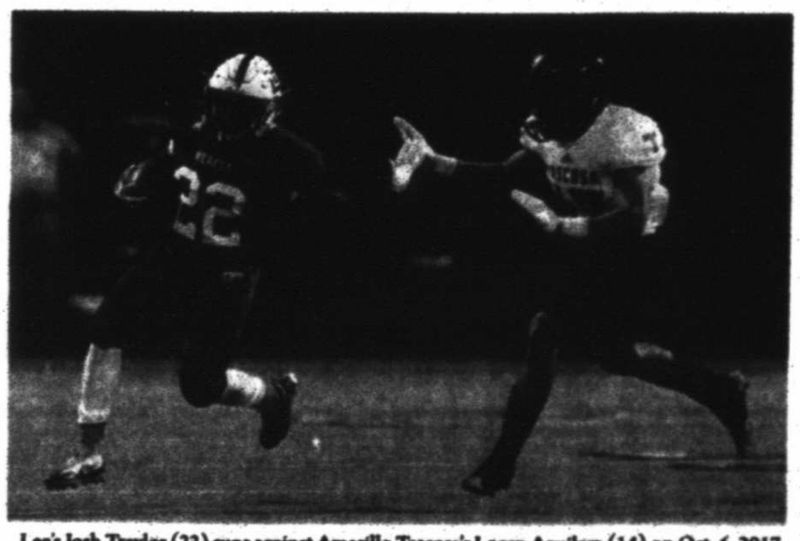
No.	Name	Class	Position
1	Brandon White	Sr.	WR/DB
2	Bailey Woodard	Sr.	WR/DB
3	Kenyon Shaffer	Sr.	WR/DB
4	Taylan McKellar	Sr.	QB/DB
5	Joseph Plunk	Jr.	QB/DB
6	Hunter Oakes	Sr.	QB
7	Daemian Gray	Sr.	RB/LB
8	Evan Enos	Sr.	QB
9	Josue Torres	Sr.	WR/DB
10	Bryce Pearson	Sr.	WR/DB
11	Ayden Noriega	Sr.	RB/DB
12	Jacob Plunk	Sr.	RB/DB
13	Darion Williams	Sr.	WR/DB
14	Logan Aguilera	Sr.	QB/DB
15	Darius Sanders	So.	RB/LB
16	King Doerue	Sr.	RB/DB
17	Chris Sunn-Solis	Jr.	FB/LB
18	Naijee Baldwin	Jr.	QB/DB
19	Andrew Mitchell	Sr.	FB/LB
20	D'Andre Campbell	Sr.	RB/LB
21	Grayson Travis	Sr.	FB/LB
22	Donnie Sutton	Jr.	WR/DB
23	Jaiton McMorris	Jr.	RB/LB
24	Johnathan Trevino	Sr.	WR/DB
25	Lucas Creery	Sr.	WR/DB
26	Kameron Kisselburg	Sr.	WR/DB
27	Jayden Rinehart	Sr.	FB/DB
28	Zechariah Greene	Sr.	FB/LB
29	Lonnell Goins	Jr.	RB/DB
30	Caleb Reynolds	Sr.	WR/DB
31	Jaaron Tillmon	Sr.	RB/DB
32	Max Burleson	Jr.	RB/DB
33	Nathan Schmidt	Sr.	WR/DB
34	Randall Campbell	Sr.	FB/DE
35	Graham Folkner	Jr.	WR/DB
36	Colin Fields	Sr.	FB/LB
37	Parker Settle	Jr.	FB/DE
38	Deontra Gilbreath	Jr.	RB/DB
39	Cesar Rivero-Figueroa	Jr.	RB/DB
40	Eugene Espinosa	Sr.	RB/LB
41	Connor McWhorter	Jr.	FB/LB
42	James Teeple	Jr.	WR/DB
43	Zavian Pinkard	Sr.	FB/LB
44	Mitchell Murray	Jr.	FB/LB
45	Sebastian Urena	Jr.	FB/DE

2018 Roster

No.	Name	Class	Position
46	Jacob Black	Jr.	RB/DB
47	Bowden Jones	Jr.	WR/DB
48	Dantrail Gilbreath	Jr.	RB/DB
49	Blake Anderson	Jr.	FB/LB
50	Sobhan Soleymani	Jr.	OL/DL
51	Anthony Perez	Jr.	OL/DL
52	Ethan Allbee	Jr.	FB/LB
54	Felipe Verde	Sr.	OL/DL
55	Britton Knebusch	Sr.	OL/DL
56	Braden Huyck	Sr.	OL/DL
58	Zane Chavez	Sr.	OL/DL
59	acob Beaty	Jr.	OL/DL
60	Kylan Robinson	Jr	OL/DE
61	Elijah Castro	Jr	OL/DL
62	Jarod Blackwell	Jr	OL/DE
63	Logan Fulton	Jr	OL/DL
64	Brandon Gonzalez	Jr	OL/DL
65	Alex Mincey	Sr	OL/DL
68	Josiah Robles	Jr.	OL/DL
70	Ethan Lawrence	Sr.	OL/DL
71	Isaac Lopez	Jr.	OL/DL
72	Rowdy Walker	Jr.	OL/DL
74	Steven Lam	Jr.	OL/DL
75	Jorge Gonzalez	Sr.	OL/DL
77	Colton Cates	Sr.	OL/DL
79	Josiah Emmitt	Jr.	WR/DL
80	Tayrin Williams	Jr.	WR/DB
81	Cadyn Alexander	Jr.	WR/DB
82	Brandon Sanders	Jr.	WR/DB
84	Brandon Bentley	Jr.	WR/DB
85	Jose Fuentes	Jr.	WR/DB
87	Elijah Gutierrez	Sr.	WR/DB
88	Josiah Saldana	Sr.	WR/DB
89	Demarlone Givens	Sr.	WR/DB
90	Kelton Cosselmon	Jr.	FB/DE
91	Dwight Pressley	Jr.	FB/DL
92	LB Moore	Jr.	WR/DE
93	Darren Allen	Jr.	WR/DE

2018 REBELS AT A GLANCE
OFFENSE
Strength: Speed, Division I caliber playmakers at skill positions
Weakness: Inexperienced offensive line
Key players
RB King Doerue, Sr. – Three-star recruit has 16 Division I offers, which includes Notre Dame, Nebraska, Texas A&M, Texas Tech, TCU, Baylor, Ole Miss, Arkansas and Minnesota.
WR Brandon White, Sr. – Baylor commit stands at 6-foot, 180 pounds and gives Rebels a big play option in their low volume passing game.
QB Joseph Plunk, Jr. – First-year starter, who runs a 4.52 40-yard dash time, will operate the triple option in Tascosa's flexbone offense.
Plunk on the offense: "We have a couple of guys that can really run. We just have to utilize them well."

DEFENSE
Strength: Deep, seasoned secondary
Weakness: Inexperienced defensive line
Key players
DB Daemian Gray, Sr. – The 6-foot, 178-pound playmaker had 71 tackles, seven tackles for loss and two sacks last season.
DE Randall Campbell, Sr. – The 6-foot-1 end brings much needed experience to a green front four. Campbell had 36 tackles and five tackles for loss last season.
DB Taylan McKellar, Sr. – Wishbone quarterback brings athleticism to the Tascosa secondary.



Lee's Josh Traylor (22) runs against Amarillo Tascosa's Logan Aguilera (14) on Oct. 6, 2017, at Grande Communications Stadium. James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Wollforth Frenship Preview

TIGERS FAST FACTS
District 2-6A
Head coach: Jay Northcutt, 2nd season at Frenship (0-10)
2017 record: 0-10, 0-6 in District 2-6A (7th)
Returning starters: 7 offense, 7 defense
Typical offense: Spread
Typical defense: Multiple/even
Last playoff appearance: 2016, lost to El Paso Americas, 30-16, in bi-district
Enrollment: 2,795
Homecoming: Oct. 12 vs. Lee
Rivalry game: Sept. 14 at Lubbock Cooper
Home stadium: Peoples Bank Stadium

2018 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 30	at Amarillo High	7 p.m.
Sept. 7	WF Hirschi	7 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Lubbock Cooper	7 p.m.
Sept. 21	a-EP Andress	7 p.m.
Sept. 28	Canyon Randall	7 p.m.
Oct. 12	Lee*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Midland High*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	Odessa High*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Permian*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	Tascosa*	7:30 p.m.

*denotes District 2-6A game
a-played at Hobbs, N.M.

2017 RESULTS

Sept. 1	El Paso Montwood 70, Frenship 14
Sept. 8	El Paso El Dorado 55, Frenship 48
Sept. 15	Lubbock Cooper 41, Frenship 9
Sept. 22	Abilene Cooper 62, Frenship 3
Sept. 29	Permian 66, Frenship 14
Oct. 6	Midland High 21 Frenship 7
Oct. 12	Tascosa 52, Frenship 7
Oct. 20	San Angelo Central 49, Frenship 14
Oct. 27	Odessa High 28, Frenship 7
Nov. 3	Lee 74, Frenship 35

2018 TIGERS AT A GLANCE
OFFENSE
Strength: Returning skill players, experienced offensive line
Weakness: Youth at running back
Key players
QB Austin Phillips, Sr. – The 6-foot-3, 205-pound signal caller threw for 1,674 yards, 15 touchdowns and seven interceptions, while adjusting to Northcutt's newly installed spread offense.
WR Caeden Jenkins, Sr. – The 5-foot-11, 175-pound receiver is a versatile athlete that can pass, rush and catch.
OT Ethan Filio, Sr. – The leader of a Tigers offensive line that returns both size and experience. Filio stands at 6-foot-4, 305 pounds.

DEFENSE
Strength: Tall, rangy defensive backfield
Weakness: Green defensive line
Key players
FS Colton Anderson, Jr. – The 6-foot, 185-pound defensive back impressed during a four-game stint as a sophomore. He brings a 4.6 40-yard dash time to the Tigers' secondary.
LB Jake Gilbert, So. – He played five games as a freshman in 2017, recording 25 tackles.
CB Colton Brown, Sr. – Cornerback brings height (6-foot-1) and speed (4.5 40-yard dash) to the Tigers' defensive backfield.

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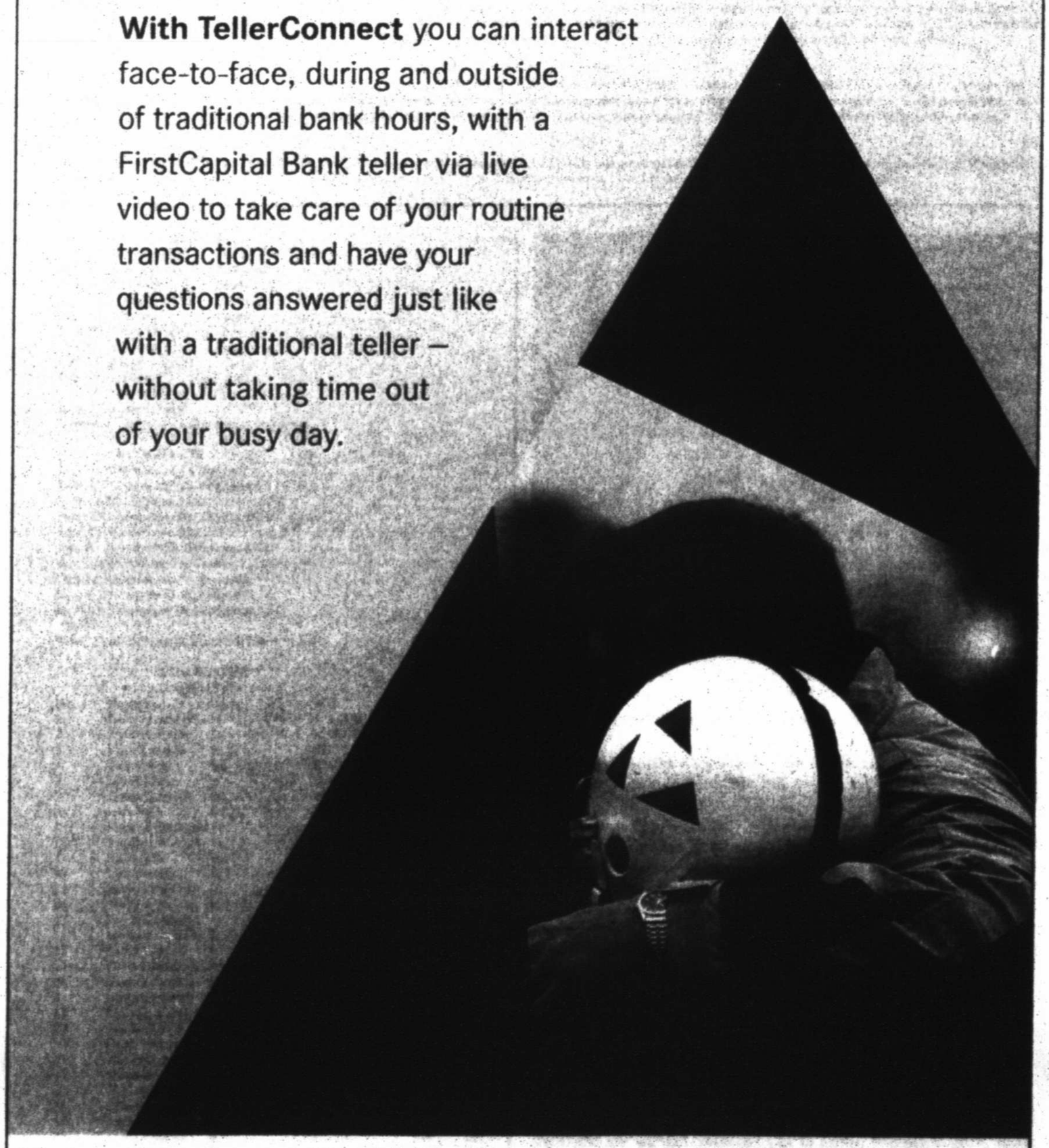

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Greenwood Fast Facts and Position Breakdown

RANGERS FAST FACTS
District: 1-4A Division II
Head Coach: Jared Sanderson, 2nd year (33-26-1 in five years overall)
Assistant coaches: Jhett Norman (OC), Brad Morgan (DC), Pat Liles, Brody Anthony, Stephen Rodriguez, Josh McDonald, Macy Thompson, Lloyd Chisum, Todd Martin, Maison Ragland, Matt Gerber, Kendall Thomas, Larry Galindo, Mark Hand
2017 record: 6-5 overall, 3-3 in District 2-4A Division II
Returning starters: 10 offense, 8 defense
Typical offense: veer
Typical defense: 3-3 stack
Last playoff appearance: 2017, lost to Bushland, 33-14, in bi-district round
Homecoming: Sept. 21 vs. Seminole
Rivalry game: Nov. 2 at Monahans
Home stadium: J.M. King Memorial Stadium

BREAKING DOWN THE 2018 RANGERS

QUARTERBACK
What to expect in 2018: Senior Jake Somers returns after solid 2017 season in which he passed for more than 1,800 yards and 20 touchdowns to go with 1,021 yards rushing and another 13 TDs. Head coach Jared Sanderson said from the work he put in over the spring and summer, he expects Somers to have a pretty good year. Junior Weston Wilber, senior Chris Trevino and sophomore Michael Gutierrez are competing to be the backup.

RUNNING BACK
What to expect in 2018: The Rangers have a nice stable of running backs, which gave the team confidence to base the offense more out of the veer than the spread offense. The unit is buoyed by the return of junior Ryan Snodgrass, who had a big varsity debut in 2017 with 1,300 yards rushing and 11 TDs on 145 carries. Junior Efrain Franco also returns after rushing for 235 yards and a TD on 52 carries. Also look for senior Seth Weatherby and sophomore Trey Cross to get carries in the rotation.

WIDE RECEIVERS
What to expect in 2018: Despite the team going to a more run-oriented offense, look for the Rangers to still pass the ball, especially with the return of junior Brody Ray, who led the team with 28 catches for 535 yards and eight TDs. Sanderson said the unit has some pretty good depth as senior Kobe Jameson also returns after catching 16 passes for 272 yards and a TD last year. Also look for senior Josh Nail and junior Zach Martinez to be in the rotation.

OFFENSIVE LINE
What to expect in 2018: The Rangers have to replace three quality starters from last year but Sanderson likes the potential they have in the unit. "We feel good about what we have up front, we just don't know where it's going to fit," he said. Junior guard Jayden Kitchens, junior guard Tyson Thompson, junior Christian Bell and junior center Jaxson Ransom have starting experience and they can be penciled in to start the season. The other tackle spot looks to be a battle between junior Joe Contreras and senior Edgar Rodriguez.

DEFENSIVE LINE
What to expect in 2018: The Rangers will be anchored by the return of senior nose guard Jerry Vasquez, who had 20 total tackles and five tackles for loss last year. The Rangers will have to replace the loss of standout defensive ends Braden Latham and Brian Ramos but Sanderson said junior Jantzen Baker, who started some when Ramos was battling injuries, will man one end spot. Baker had 32 tackles and seven tackles for loss last season. Senior Carson Carlisle, who played some last year, will look to start at the other end spot. Sanderson said some young players will look to provide quality depth as they look to pressure quarterbacks more.

LINEBACKER
What to expect in 2018: This is the unit that has the least experience for the Rangers on defense and Sanderson said the young players have to mature in a hurry. At outside linebacker, senior Carsten Cook and Jameson move from playing cornerback last year. In the middle, look for sophomore Michael Gutierrez and/or Snodgrass (72 tackles, 6 TFL). Also look for Cross and senior Tristan Ruiz (22 tackles) to be in the rotation and possibly challenge for starting spots. All of the players in this unit will bring more speed to the defense.

SECONDARY
What to expect in 2018: This is the most experienced unit on defense. Weatherby returns at safety after being fourth on the team in tackles with 69 to go with three tackles for loss and two interceptions. Nail also had a good year with 41 tackles and three tackles for loss from the safety spot. Ray is the leading returning tackler among the cornerback with 48, to go with five tackles for loss and four interceptions. Also look for senior Gaige Marquez, senior Cody Gonzales, senior Hayden Littrell, and junior Bailey Casteel to be in the rotation.

SPECIAL TEAMS
What to expect in 2018: The Rangers return junior Derek Rimer, who will be doing both the kicking and punting. Sanderson said Rimer is good at putting the ball in different places on the kickoffs. Last season Rimer connected for four field goals and averaged 36.9 yards on punt attempts. Look for skill position players to handle return duties.

2018 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	at Big Spring	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	Hereford	7 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Shallowater	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	Seminole	7 p.m.
Sept. 28	Sweetwater*	7 p.m.
Oct. 5	at Lamesa*	7 p.m.
Oct. 12	Pecos*	7 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Snyder*	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	Fort Stockton*	7 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Monahans*	7 p.m.

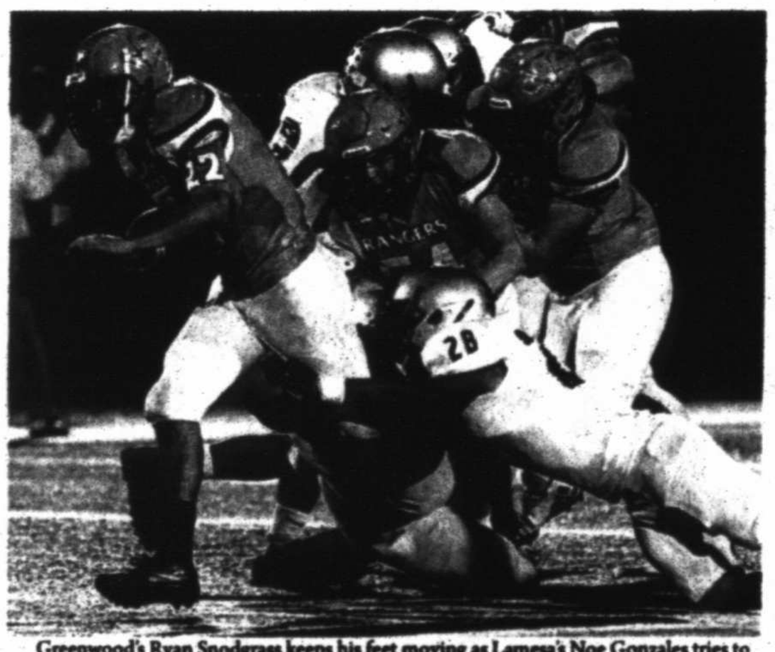
*Denotes District 1-4A Division II opponent

2017 RESULTS

Sept. 1	Greenwood 14, Snyder 7
Sept. 8	Greenwood 49, Brownfield 14
Sept. 15	Shallowater 54, Greenwood 34
Sept. 22	Greenwood 53, San Angelo Lake View 27
Sept. 29	Greenwood 38, Fort Stockton 0
Oct. 6	Seminole 35, Greenwood 32
Oct. 13	Monahans 27, Greenwood 21
Oct. 20	Greenwood 56, Pecos 42
Nov. 3	Greenwood 43, Lamesa 20
Nov. 10	Sweetwater 48, Greenwood 23
Playoffs	
Nov. 17	Bi-district, Bushland 33, Greenwood 14

2018 ROSTER
(subject to change)

No.	Name	Class	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.
1	Cody Gonzales	Sr.	WR/DB	5-9	170
2	Zach Martinez	Jr.	WR/DB	5-9	160
3	Kobe Jameson	Sr.	WR/LB	5-9	165
4	Trey Cross	So.	RB/LB	5-9	165
5	Derek Rimer	Jr.	K/P	5-10	140
7	Colby Curruth	Sr.	WR/DB	5-9	165
8	Josh Nail	Sr.	WR/DB	5-10	145
9	Michael Gutierrez	So.	QB/LB	6-0	175
10	Brayden Wauson	So.	RB/DB	5-7	155
11	Brody Ray	Jr.	RB/DB	6-2	160
12	Jake Somers	Sr.	QB/DB	6-0	175
13	Jantzen Baker	Jr.	TE/DL	6-0	180
14	Weston Wilber	Jr.	QB/LB	6-0	180
15	Hayden Littrell	Jr.	WR/DB	6-3	190
16	Emiliano Estrada	Sr.	WR/DB	5-9	160
17	Bailey Casteel	Jr.	WR/DB	5-8	155
18	Chris Trevino	Sr.	QB/DB	5-8	165
20	Carsten Cook	Sr.	WR/DB	5-8	165
21	Seth Weatherby	Sr.	WR/DB	5-9	155
22	Ryan Snodgrass	Jr.	RB/LB	5-10	165
25	Tristan Ruiz	Sr.	WR/LB	5-10	170
30	Gaige Marquez	Sr.	WR/DB	5-9	160
31	Aliber Garza	Jr.	RB/LB	5-10	185
32	Efrain Franco	Jr.	RB/LB	5-11	200
33	Xavier Porter	Sr.	RB/LB	5-8	165
35	Carson Carlisle	Sr.	OL/DL	6-0	225
41	Justin Bostic	Jr.	TE/LB	5-11	200
42	Andrew James	Jr.	TE/LB	6-1	205
44	Alex Wright	Sr.	OL/DL	5-10	235
50	Tyson Thompson	Jr.	OLDL	6-1	240
51	Joe Contreras	Jr.	OL/DL	6-3	255
52	Christian Bell	Jr.	OL/DL	5-11	215
53	Jaydon Coleman	Sr.	OL/DL	6-5	225
54	Jayden Kitchens	Jr.	OL/DL	6-1	220
55	Jan Urias	Sr.	OL/DL	5-9	210
59	Jesus Natividad	Sr.	OL/DL	5-10	225
60	Mario Alvarez	Sr.	OL/DL	6-1	225
61	Edgar Rodriguez	Sr.	OL/DL	6-1	220
62	Jerry Vasquez	Sr.	OL/DL	5-7	215
64	Robert Manriquez	Sr.	OL/DL	6-1	265
65	Connor McDonald	So.	OL/DL	5-10	215
66	Jaxson Ransom	Jr.	OL/DL	5-10	240



Greenwood's Ryan Snodgrass keeps his feet moving as Lamesa's Noe Gonzales tries to stop him Nov. 3, 2017 at J.M. King Memorial Stadium.
Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

PREDICTED ORDER OF FINISH IN 1-4A DIVISION II

1.Greenwood – The Rangers have a ton of starters returning, especially in key positions on both sides of the ball.

2. Monahans (9-3, 5-1 in 2017) – Just because head coach Mickey Owens retired from coaching, don't expect the Loboes to have much of a drop-off with Mel Maxfield in charge. Maxfield ran the Wing-T offense while at Amarillo High and the Loboes run it better than anybody else. They also know how to win.

3. Sweetwater (10-3, 4-2) – The Mustangs always have a ton of speed and athleticism but they're going to have to replace a lot of experience with 23 players lost to graduation.

4. Snyder (2-9, 1-3 in District 3-4A Division I) – The Tigers make the move from Division I and with 13 starters returning don't be surprised if they make a move to finish in the top 3.

5. Lamesa (4-6, 1-5) – The Golden Tornadoes made strides in Rodney Sims' first year as head coach and look to further improve in 2018, especially with the return of QB Jackson Napper (1,768 yards, 22 TDs passing) and RB Jace Burleson (825 yards, 10 TDs rushing).

6. Pecos (5-5, 1-5) – The Eagles lost a ton from last year's team as well as head coach Chris Henson, who moved into a full-time administrative role. Chris Jones was hired from Giddings to take over a program that returns just three starters from last year and has struggled to make the playoffs against these teams.

Prieto relishes leadership role with Andrews

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ANDREWS -- Vito Prieto remembers what it was like when he was a newcomer on the Andrews varsity football team and how he looked up to the older players.

Now the senior wide receiver and defensive end is a veteran himself as he heads into his third varsity season for the Mustangs. With so many new faces on this team, the younger players will look for Prieto for guidance as Andrews aims to go farther in the playoffs in 2018.

"My expectations are pretty high," he said. "As a team leader, I want to help get things rolling and kick some butt this year. We have a lot of inexperienced players but I know they can get it together and we can really become a great team. We just have to communicate and move the chains.

"Being three years on the varsity is pretty crazy because as a sophomore you realize that you have get (everything you learn) in your head and put in that basket. By the third year you're getting used to things and you already know what's happening, so you're just rolling and trying to keep moving forward and not look back."

Prieto, who is the returning leading receiver after 22 receptions for 286 yards and five touchdowns in 2017, will be counted on to help an offense that is ushering a new starter in junior Brett Leach. From what Prieto and head coach Ralph Mason have seen from Leach, they're confident that he can do a good job of stepping into the spotlight.

Leach is glad to have a veteran presence in the receiving corps like Prieto.

"He's really great," Leach said. "He's one of the main leaders on the team. He's always helping to keep the receivers in check and helps to run everything and makes sure the team runs smoothly."

Prieto is confident in the young quarterback but is also ready to step up and help him succeed.

"He knows a lot because he's talked to a lot of quarterbacks from recent years, which helps him out," Prieto said. "If he gets stuck I'm always there to help him out, get some separation and be where I'm supposed to be."

Look for 6-foot-1, 190-pound Prieto to be a key player at defensive end as well after posting 17 total tackles and two tackles for loss last season.

Mason said having good leaders like Prieto is always important for teams that want to be successful.

"Vito, being a three-year letterman like Reece (Azam) and Jacob (Mechler), those guys who have been here, having those guys on the field with you who's been in the fire, who have been in those situations and know what it's like, it brings security, you might say," Mason said. "It helps to give (younger players) that much more confidence."

Prieto, however, knows that his leadership will only play a small part in the team's success.

"It's not just me but everybody on the team has to be a leader," he said. "Honestly in every type of sport you have to be a leader no matter what. If you're an underclassman or an upperclassman, you always have to be a leader."

With what he's saw in the first few days of practices, he believes that the young players will work hard and help the Mustangs carry on that tradition of success from the past few years.

"We lost a bunch of good receivers, a good quarterback and a bunch of defense, but I feel with the young players, they can fill those spots," he said. "We'll be a young team but we'll be good as a young team."

Prieto will certainly do whatever he can to help the team reach its goals thanks in part to the Mustang pride that is evident in this young man.

"Just playing for your school," said Prieto when asked about his motivation. "You just want to do something positive and makes me get after it even more."

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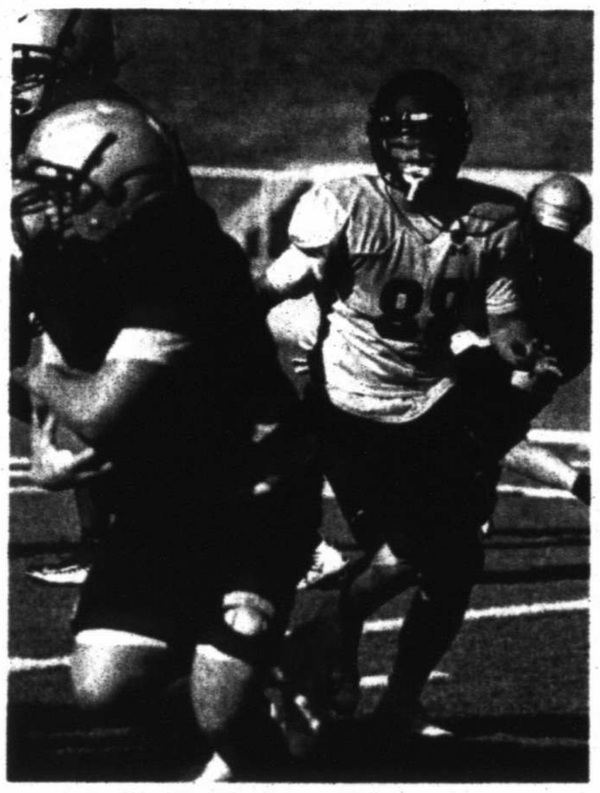

Andrews' Vito Prieto, 88, runs drills during practice.
Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

MUSTANGS FAST FACTS

District: 2-4A Division I
Head Coach: Ralph Mason, 7th year (52-21 at Andrews and overall)
Assistant coaches: Scott Kello, Eric Pierce, Tom Harvey, Stormy Jackson, Lamar Kello, Josh Kelley, Robert Morris, Britt Narrell, Bill Stotts, Jason Richters
2017 record: 9-3 overall, 4-0 in District 2-4A Division I
Returning starters: 3 offense, 3 defense
Typical offense: Spread
Typical defense: Multiple
Last playoff appearance: 2017, lost to Decatur 55-48 in Class 4A Division I area round
Enrollment: 1,099
Homecoming: Sept. 21 vs. Snyder
Rivalry game: Nov. 9 vs. Seminole
Home stadium: Mustang Bowl, Andrews

2018 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Lubbock Cooper	7 p.m.
Sept. 7	Monahans	7 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Levelland	7 p.m.
Sept. 21	Snyder	7 p.m.
Sept. 28	at El Paso Mountain View	7 p.m.
Oct. 5	Hereford	7 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Canyon	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Big Spring*	7 p.m.
Nov. 2	San Angelo Lake View*	7 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Seminole*	7 p.m.

2017 RESULTS

Sept. 1	Andrews 75, San Angelo Lake View 21
Sept. 8	Andrews 59, Lubbock High 28
Sept. 15	Andrews 47, Levelland 21
Sept. 22	Monahans 41, Andrews 37
Sept. 29	Andrews 55, Big Spring 8
Oct. 6	Lubbock Coronado 48, Andrews 21
Oct. 13	Andrews 70, San Elizario 0
Oct. 20	Andrews 56, Fabens 14
Oct. 27	Andrews 65, Clint Mountain View 21
Nov. 3	Andrews 42, Clint 30
	Playoffs
Nov. 16	Bi-district, Andrews 48, Borger 21
Nov. 24	Area, Decatur 55, Andrews 48

Andrews plays run drills during practice.
Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

2018 MUSTANGS AT GLANCE

OFFENSE

Strengths: Experience at offensive line, balanced receiving corps, quarterback tradition

Weakness: Overall experience

KEY PLAYERS

C Reece Azam, Sr. – The Air Force Academy commit anchors the offensive line after grading out at 90 percent to go with 33 pancake blocks last year. He is the strongest player in the program and is considered a great leader.

WR Vito Prieto, Sr. – The most experienced receiver is entering his third year on the varsity and second year as a starter. He caught 22 passes for 286 yards and five touchdowns last year.

QB Brett Leach, Jr. – Leach looks to continue the strong quarterback tradition that Mason has developed in his time with the program. As a backup last year, he completed 63.9 percent of his passes for 305 yards, four touchdowns and no interceptions.

Coach Mason on the offense: "I expect big numbers, a lot of scoring. I think Brett Leach, he's a junior quarterback, but he's got all the tools to be a very, very good one."

DEFENSE

Strength: Experience at defensive line

Weakness: Overall experience

KEY PLAYERS

DL Jacob Mechler, Sr. – At 6-foot-3, 225 pounds, Mechler is a force for the Mustangs as he comes into his third year as a starter. Last season he led the team with 113 tackles, to go with two sacks at linebacker.

DT Jesus Lopez, Jr. – Mason said Lopez has a high motor and a very intense football player. He's also very quick with great agility. He's coming off a year in which he recorded 43 tackles and one sack.

DE Vito Prieto, Sr. – Prieto adds more experience to the defensive line after recording 17 tackles and two tackles for loss last season.

Coach Mason on the defense: "I'm excited about the defense. The thing I really like about them is that they are really flying to the football and play with a lot of excitement. That means the coaches are keeping it simple for them to understand. I don't see a lot of kids with that deer in the headlights look in their eyes."

SPECIAL TEAMS

Strengths: Depth at punt and kick returners

Weakness: No proven kicker

KEY PLAYER

P Vito Prieto, Sr. – Prieto takes over after losing Jaden Brown last year.

Coach Mason on special teams: "We're still trying to identify a lot of things. Who knows, we might have to go for two if we can't find a kicker."

Cooley motivated to change Steers' fortunes

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BIG SPRING -- There's no doubt that when Jeremiah Cooley steps on the field, he is a legitimate offensive weapon for the Big Spring football team.

The 6-foot-3, 190-pound wide receiver and defensive back for the Steers not only has the size but the skills to make things happen when the ball is in his hands. Last year, he accounted for 44 out of the team's 101 points as he caught six touchdown passes, rushed for another TD and added a two-point conversion.

Cooley is now a year older and second-year Big Spring coach Mitch McLemore hopes that the player's maturity and growth can translate into some success for a program that is coming off a winless season.

"I expect big things from Jeremiah," McLemore said. "He's matured a ton over the last year. Of course, he's got an exceptional skill set and he's got the maturity to go with it. And he's got some looks from some (colleges) that are very interested, so I expect a great year on both sides of the ball. He's been through a lot of tribulations and he has now become one of our character leaders, which is a big deal."

Cooley said he's optimistic that the Steers have improved.

"I think we're going to do some good things this year," he said. "We've been working so hard this offseason and summer workouts. Everybody has been up here getting bigger stronger and faster."

If anything, Cooley and the Steers are motivated to erase the memories of last year's 0-10 season as they not only had to adjust to their third coach in three years but compete in one of the tough schedules in the state – a schedule that included six road games.

"It was kind of hard," said Cooley of last season. "We got tired at times and the frustration took over everybody. As everyone knows we haven't won a game, we haven't won in the last couple of years. It's frustrating but we're going to try to come in this year and change that and make a name for ourselves. When people hear about Big Spring, they say 'Oh yeah, they've struggled to win games the last four years.' We're going to change that."

Cooley said he's determined to change the way outsiders think about his program.

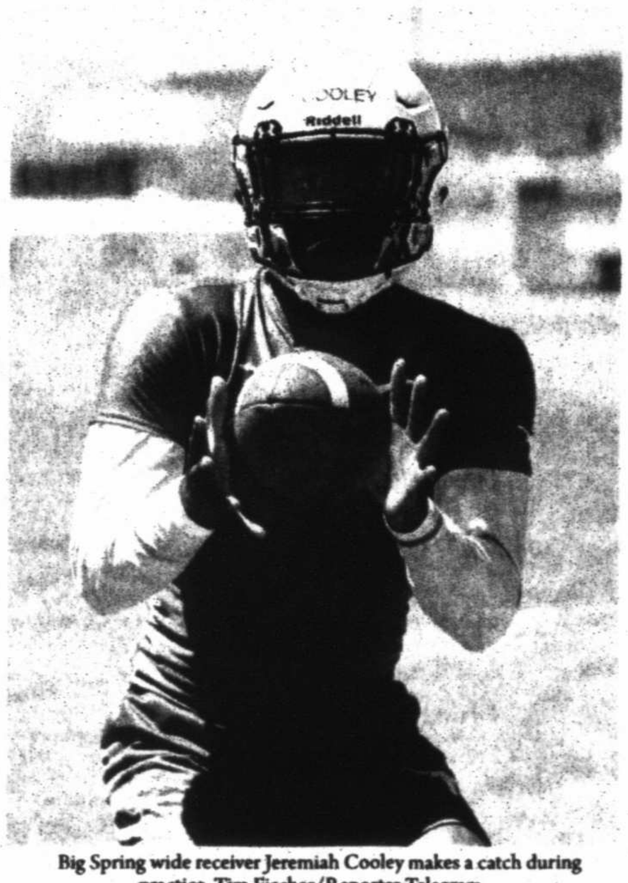
"Personally, it drives me a lot," he said. "I think I'm one of the most competitive guys, I do not like to lose. If we lose, it's going to fuel me to win the next game after that."

Cooley will not only be counted on to make plays for his team but provide leadership for players on an off the field. He admits that when was younger, he was not always the most focused and determined player.

"I think I've grown quite a bit," he said. "Something just switched. I just had to stop playing around and get these guys serious 'cause I know what I want, but do they know what they want? We've got to come together and do this for our community and for our school.

"I see myself as leader. I try to get these guys to do the right thing all the time and stay out of trouble. If these guys do that, we're going to fine."

Cooley said his development wasn't an overnight success either. He said he was a late bloomer athletically but has gotten better with the help of his coaches. He added that he's also been working on his hand and eye coordination to help him become a better player.



Big Spring wide receiver Jeremiah Cooley makes a catch during practice. Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

"When I get out there on the field, it's like a whole other me," he said. "I just want to show what I can do for my school, for my community and I'm representing my family. I just want to show people the talent that God has given me. It's a good opportunity for me to go out and do that."

Cooley is hoping his teammates will take the next step with him as they look for more success.

"The key is trusting each other, be confident and have no doubts," he said.

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BIG SPRING FAST FACTS

District: 2-4A Division I
Head coach: Mitch McLemore, 2nd year (18-27 in four years overall)
2017 Record: 0-10, 0-4 in District 3-4A Division I
Returning starters: 6 offense, 6 defense
Typical offense: Spread
Typical defense: Multiple, odd stack
Last playoff appearance: 2014, lost to Stephenville, 59-42, in Class 4A Division I regional round
Enrollment: 1,093
Homecoming: Oct. 5 vs. Canyon
Rivalry game: Oct. 26 vs. Andrews
Home stadium: Memorial Stadium, Big Spring

2018 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Greenwood	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Sweetwater	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Monahans	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Pecos	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Wall	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	Canyon	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Dumas	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	Andrews*	7 p.m.
Nov. 2	Seminole*	7 p.m.
Nov. 8	at San Angelo Lake View*	7 p.m.

*Denotes District 2-4A Division I opponent

2017 RESULTS

Sept. 1	Amarillo Caprock 38, Big Spring 18
Sept. 8	Sweetwater 56, Big Spring 20
Sept. 15	Monahans 45, Big Spring 20
Sept. 22	Canyon 35, Big Spring 7
Sept. 29	Andrews 55, Big Spring 8
Oct. 6	Graham 54, Big Spring 7
Oct. 13	Snyder 40, Big Spring 13
Oct. 20	Abilene Wylie 42, Big Spring 6
Oct. 27	Stephenville 71, Big Spring 0
Nov. 3	Brownwood 56, Big Spring 2

OFFENSE

Strengths: Speed, wide receivers

Weakness: Youth, depth

KEY PLAYERS

WR Jeremiah Cooley, Sr. – Cooley is the top playmaker and target. Last year he caught 34 passes for 424 yards and six touchdowns. He also rushed for another TD and had a two-point conversion.

WR CJ Harris, Jr. – The 6-foot-3, 190-pound Harris figures to be another weapon for the Steers for whoever is the starting quarterback.

RB Zephaniah Nelson, Jr. – Nelson brings experience to the backfield, which will help transition in a new quarterback.

Coach McLemore on finding a quarterback: "It happens when it happens. It's important but we've got two that both know what they're doing and have a strong skillset."

DEFENSE

Strength: Experience at key positions, speed

Weakness: Depth

KEY PLAYERS

LB Cade Wash, Sr. – Wash was an all-district selection last year and looks to be a leader on the defense.

DT AJ Gonzales, Sr. – Gonzales will be a starter on both sides of the ball and will be looked at to provide leadership on both sides of the ball.

CB Domiono Cole, Sr. – McLemore said Cole is a true shutdown corner and has a skillset that's hard to top.

LB Brett Berringer, Sr. – Berringer is another player with experience, who will also be looked at for leadership and playmaking abilities.

Coach McLemore on defense: "I think we're going to be sound, I would say good. The key is simplicity and have our kids run to the football."

SPECIAL TEAMS

Strengths: Capable players who can both kick and return

Weakness: Lack of a proven kicker

Coach McLemore on special teams: "We've got some good legs. We'll see what we can come up as far as kicker and a punter."

DISTRICT 2-4A DIVISION I PREDICTED ORDER OF FINISH

1. Andrews (9-3, 4-0 in District 2-4A Division I) – The Mustangs change district opponents but the winning mindset will look to transition over to this district. Andrews also has key players on defense returning and look to have a quarterback in junior Brett Leach, who will pick up where past Mustang quarterbacks have left off.

2. Seminole (12-1, 4-0, in District 2-4A Division II) – The Indians lost a ton to graduation, especially on a defense that was dominating at times. The Indians also move up a division but head coach Kent Jackson has the kids in the program believing they could win, and that's half the battle.

3. Big Spring (0-10, 0-4) – The Steers will be in the playoffs again and it's not just because they are in a four-team district. The Steers should be improved in Mitch McLemore's second year as head coach and got some playmakers on both sides of the ball.

4. San Angelo Lake View (0-10, 0-5) – The Chiefs move down from Class 5A where they struggled in recent years. They should be more competitive, and like the Steers they should be improved under second-year coach Hector Guevara.

Coahoma's Schneider ready for QB challenge

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COAHOMA -- Junior quarterback Zack Schneider and first-year Coahoma head coach Chris Joslin have had a connection long before Joslin came to Coahoma.

Back when Joslin coached at Big Spring, Zack's older brother, Nathan, was a standout tight end and defensive end for the Steers and Zack and his brother Jonathan would hang around the team.

"Knowing them since they were younger, they just love sports, they love being around it," Joslin said.

Flash forward a few years and Zack is the team's starting quarterback and Jonathan is starting on the offensive line.

Zack will be counted on this season to lead the team full-time from the quarterback position after playing mostly at running back last year.

Last year, Schneider burst onto the scene with 1,059 yards rushing and 13 touchdowns on 157 carries.

He also got limited time last year at quarterback by completing 3 of his 9 pass attempts for 23 yards as the Bulldogs went 7-4 with a trip to the Class 3A Division II playoffs.

"It's going to definitely be different," Schneider said. "I love running back but I can play quarterback too. I worked with the quarterbacks last year. I just have to improve as an all-around better quarterback."

Joslin said Schneider is already well on his way to being a good quarterback as he's a great athlete and leader.

"Once he picks up that offense I think he'll take off," said Joslin, who came to Coahoma after helping Rockdale win the Class 3A Division I state championship as an offensive assistant. "He runs the ball really well and he's good at getting everybody in the right spot. We're looking for great things from him.

"He's coming along as a passer. He throws it well. It's just moving from running back to quarterback, it takes a little bit of getting used to sitting back there to want to throw it before you can take off running. But he can throw it. He throws a real good ball."

The humble and quiet Schneider said his passing is coming along as he's working on becoming better at the position.

Senior wide receiver Gage Clark said he's not worried about Schneider's passing ability.

"I can tell you it's good," said the 6-foot-3 Clark, who caught 30 passes for 567 yards and eight touchdowns. "Zack is a good athlete and he knows everything he needs to know about the offense. Making the transition from running back to quarterback, not a lot of kids can do that, but he can do that. He can throw, he can run, he can do everything. He's also threat to run the ball and pick apart the defense."

Schneider said having playmakers like Clark will certainly help him in his transition.

"It really helps because we all know each other," he said. "We've all grown with each other. It's just really easy that way."

Joslin said having that team chemistry is going to help the Bulldogs succeed this season.

"We've got a good group coming back and we really like our young kids. Just waiting for some of those young kids to step up," he said. "Their work ethic has been outstanding. We've been talking about as a family that we all have to help each other and they're all taking on that role, which is great."

Added Clark: "We just have to do it together. We can't be selfish, we've got to be selfless."

With players like Schneider and Clark leading the way, the Bulldogs have to like their chances for 2018.

For Schneider, the goal is simple.

"We're going to win together and play hard together," he said.

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Coahoma's Zach Schneider is brought down by Forsan's defence
Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

BULLDOGS FAST FACTS

District: 2-3A Division II
Head coach: Chris Joslin, 1st year (First year as head coach)
2017 record: 7-4 overall, 3-1 in District 2-3A Division II
Returning starters: 5 offense, 8 defense
Typical offense: Spread
Typical defense: 3-3 stack
Last playoff experience: 2017, lost to Spearman, 31-22, in Class 3A Division II bi-district round
Enrollment: 251
Homecoming: Sept. 28 vs. Iraan
Rivalry game: Oct. 26 at Stanton
Home stadium: Bulldog Stadium, Coahoma

2018 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 30	a-Forsan	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	McCamey	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Wink	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Slaton	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	Iraan	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Idalou*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Abernathy*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Stanton*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Colorado City*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	Lubbock Roosevelt*	7:30 p.m.

a-at Big Spring

*Denotes District 2-3A Division II opponent

2017 RESULTS

Sept. 1 Coahoma 24, Forsan 19
Sept. 8 McCamey 46, Coahoma 26
Sept. 15 Reagan County 42, Coahoma 35
Sept. 22 Coahoma 34, Bangs 26
Sept. 29 Coahoma 35, San Angelo Grape Creek 12
Oct. 6 Coahoma 46, San Angelo TLCA 14
Oct. 13 Coahoma 34, Stanton 0
Oct. 20 Coahoma 19, Idalou 18
Oct. 27 Colorado City 46, Coahoma 2
Nov. 10 Coahoma 52, Lubbock Roosevelt 0

Playoffs

Nov. 17 Bi-district, Spearman 31, Coahoma 22

2018 BULLDOGS AT A GLANCE

OFFENSE

Strength: Experience at key positions

Weakness: Overall proven depth

KEY PLAYERS

QB Zack Schneider, Jr. – Schneider makes the move from running back to starting quarterback. He had a big season in 2017 with 1,059 yards rushing and 13 touchdowns and looks to add more of a passing game to his arsenal.

WR Gage Clark, Sr. – The 6-foot-3, 210-pound Clark provides a big target and is coming off a good season in he caught 30 passes for 567 yards and eight touchdowns.

OT Keegan Dobbs, Jr. – The 6-foot, 215-pound Dobbs will anchor the offensive line after grading out at 92 percent last year.

Coach Joslin on the offense: "The kids are working hard and we should do some good things once some of the younger kids pick up the offense."

DEFENSE

Strength: Experience in running the system

Weakness: Overall proven depth

KEY PLAYERS

S Zack Schneider, Jr. – Schneider makes the move to the secondary after playing linebacker last year. He is the leading returning tackler with 79, to go with an interception and seven caused fumbles.

OLB Gage Clark, Sr. – Clark looks to anchor the linebacking corps after totaling 57 tackles and two sacks.

CB Joe Manning, Sr. – Manning will be a key in the secondary as he's proven playmaker. Manning had 35 tackles, three interceptions and five pass breakups last season.

Coach Joslin on defense: "Defense is where we're really going to hang our hat on right now because we've got eight kids coming back that played crucial minutes last year. With them not changing the system, the defense is looking really good right now."

PREDICTED ORDER OF FINISH FOR DISTRICT 2-3A DIVISION II

1.Colorado City (11-2, 4-0) – The Wolves are coming off a great season and look to defend their district title with 13 starters returning, most notably quarterback Markis Monroe, who accounted for 2,291 total yards and 32 total touchdowns.

2. Abernathy (9-2, 4-1 in District 2-2A Division I) – The Antelopes move up a classification after a successful 2017 season. Abernathy has 14 starters returning, including quarterback Bryson Daily, who accounted for 2,214 yards and 36 touchdowns.

3. Coahoma (7-4, 3-1) – Coahoma looks to return to the playoffs with 13 starters returning. The key will be Zack Schneider moving from running back to quarterback and an experienced defense.

4. Idalou (4-7, 2-2) – The Wildcats had a down year by their standards but they might make some noise this year with 14 starters returning from a playoff team. Idalou should be stacked up front as it's expected to have four senior offensive line starters with some size.

5. Stanton (2-9, 1-3) – Jerry Burkhart takes over after a successful tenure at six-man Richland Springs. Burkhart brings a winning mentality to a program that hasn't won much the last four seasons.

6. Lubbock Roosevelt (0-10, 0-4) – The Eagles struggled last year and it will be tough for them to crack into the upper tier of this district.

First-year coach Burkhart instilling winning mentality at Stanton

By Oscar LeRoy
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STANTON – The talk around the Stanton football team is about changing the culture.

The Buffaloes don't want to be known for their recent struggles on the field, where they've gone 7-32 over the past four years. They want to start winning again and new head coach Jerry Burkhart hopes to instill a successful mindset with this year's players.

Burkhart is well known for having a ton of success at the six-man level with Richland Springs, which won eight state championships and rarely lost a game in in 15 seasons under Burkhart's leadership.

"I want to change the culture," Burkhart said. "We want to take full advantage of the things that we can control ourselves. The biggest thing I want to change is the loser's mentality. I strongly believe that whatever we put into it, we're going to get out of it."

In order to change that culture, he's got to have players buy in. That all starts with the team's leadership and it seems like seniors Wes Ulmer, Noe Ureste and Devin Gonzalez are excited about the changes and ready to hop on board.

"My expectation is to form a band of brothers, change the culture, change what has been written about us in the past and open the doors for the younger ones," said Gonzalez, a defensive end and offensive guard. "(The losing) was really challenging mentally but it was also really challenging to all our bodies too. It affected us how we communicated and everything. It damaged chemistry instead of helping us."

Ulmer, a tight end and defensive end, agreed that the change in the team's attitude and culture will certainly begin with the players themselves.

"You've just got to lead by example," he said. "If you get down, you'll bring everybody else down with you. You just have to keep pushing to get better.

"It's really a mental thing. You have to know that there's a chance for every game to get better. We just have to find that at this point."

Ureste, a safety and wide receiver, said part of the way Burkhart is changing things is bringing his faith.

"The biggest example is Coach Burkhart bringing God into the program. That's going to be the biggest key, he said. "Like he says, 'Once you bring God into the program, good things can happen.' We all believe that in our hearts."

Ureste is one player who hopes to have his fortunes turn around this season. Last year he suffered an ankle injury that kept him out most of the season.

"Hopefully this will be my first full season in a couple of years," he said. "I'm ready to get after it. We all are."

Gonzalez will help to anchor the lines on both sides of the ball. Part of the change of culture that Burkhart is bringing is to be tough and physical up front.

"From what I'm hearing, we're getting a lot more guys on the lines," he said. "It's helping us a lot. If someone gets tired, he can take a break. It's good for other people to learn so they step in right away instead of struggling."

He added that if they struggle, they have to be willing to pick each other up.

"We have to work together, we have to love each other," he said. "And if we go through tough and mean times, whether we go down because of injury or whether we're losing, it's the next man up. We have to depend on each other and have great chemistry."

Ulmer is also expecting a better year as last season he had to make the adjustment from playing linebacker and right tackle.

"We have all the experience, a change in culture and we have Coach Burkhart out here teaching us," he said. "Hopefully we can put it all together and have a really good season. We've got be able to repeat ourselves. We can't have a good drive and follow that up with a bad play. We've got to be reliable every single play."

It seems like the Buffaloes are already heading in the right direction.

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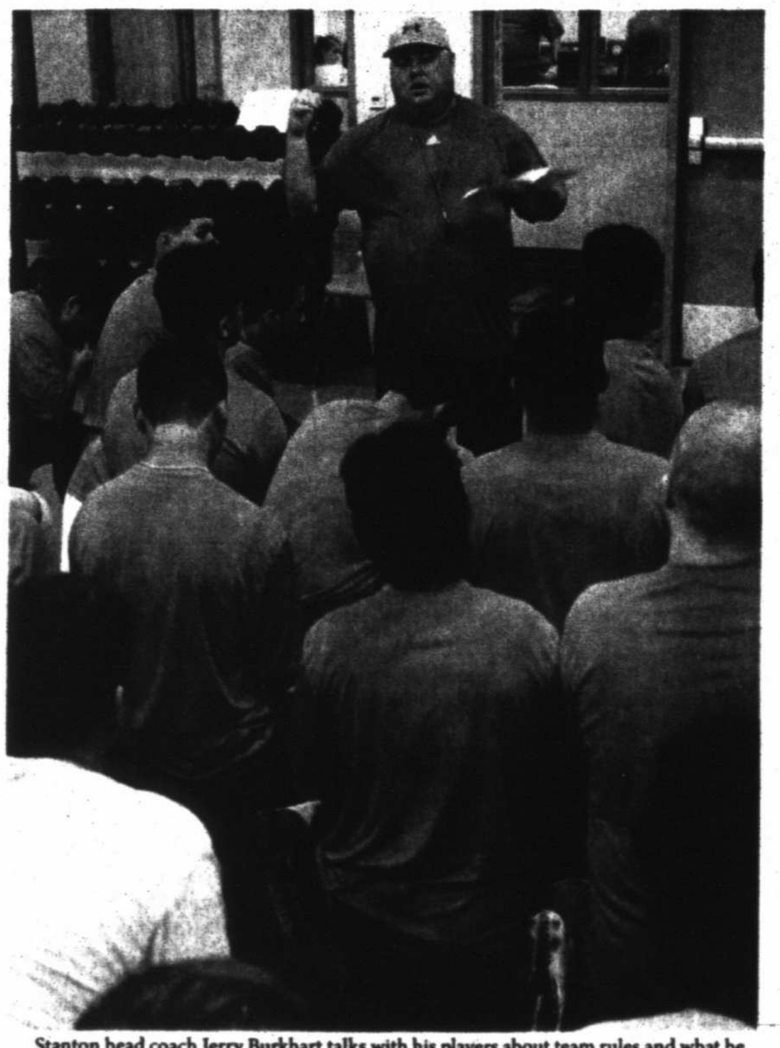


Stanton head coach Jerry Burkhart talks with his players about team rules and what he and his coaching staff expect from the players this season. Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Buffaloes Fast Facts

BUFFALOES FAST FACTS
District: 2-3A Division II
Head coach: Jerry Burkhart, 1st year (195-10 in 15 seasons overall)
2017 record: 2-9 overall, 1-3 in District 2-3A Division II
Returning starters: 7 offense, 7 defense
Typical Offense: Spread
Typical Defense: Multiple
Last playoff appearance: 2017, lost to Canadian, 63-6, in Class 3A Division II bi-district
Enrollment: 272
Homecoming: Sept. 7 vs. Wink
Rivalry game: Oct. 26 vs. Coahoma
Home stadium: Buffalo Stadium, Stanton

2018 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	at Reagan County	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	Wink	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	at Forsan	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	New Deal	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	Abernathy*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	at Lubbock Roosevelt*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	Coahoma*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Idalou*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	Colorado City*	7:30 p.m.

*Denotes District 2-3A Division II opponent

2017 RESULTS

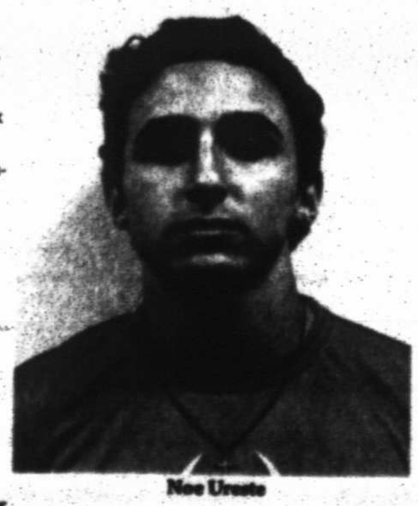
Sept. 1 Seagraves 37, Stanton 20
Sept. 8 Wink 44, Stanton 14
Sept. 15 Forsan 44, Stanton 14
Sept. 22 Stanton 31, Christoval 0
Sept. 29 Merkel 48, Stanton 22
Oct. 6 Alpine 54, Stanton 0
Oct. 13 Coahoma 34, Stanton 0
Oct. 20 Stanton 43, Lubbock Roosevelt 23
Nov. 3 Idalou 44, Stanton 21
Playoffs
Nov. 17 Bi-district, Canadian 63, Stanton 6

2018 BUFFALOES AT A GLANCE
OFFENSE
Strength: Experience at skill positions, speed
Weakness: Proven depth, proven quarterback
KEY PLAYERS
RB Cameron Yarbrough, Jr. – Yarbrough was the team's leading rusher in 2017 with 645 yards and four touchdowns on 125 carries.
QB/RB Devan Simpson, Jr. – Simpson is battling sophomore Landon Burkhart for starting quarterback. Simpson saw limited time at QB last year but he is also the second-leading returning rusher with 406 yards and five TDs on 117 carries.
TE Wes Ulmer, Sr. – At 6-foot-3, 200 pounds, Ulmer provides a big target for whoever wins the starting quarterback job.
Coach Burkhart on the offense: "We're going to run spread but we're also going to whatever we can do to take advantage of the opponent that we're playing."

DEFENSE
Strength: Experience
Weakness: Overall proven depth
KEY PLAYERS
LB Chayanne Aguirre, Sr. – Aguirre is the leading returning tackler after making 63 stops with three sacks and six tackles for loss.
S Noe Ureste, Sr. – When healthy, Ureste can be a playmaker in the secondary. Last year, he was credited with 20 tackles, an interception and a pass breakup in five games played.
DL Cody Hensley, Jr. – Hensley is the leading returning tackler off the defensive line with 42. He was also credited with three sacks.
Coach Burkhart on the defense: "Defensively we're going to try to mix up the front, change it up, try to keep them off balance. It's all about matchups. We're going to move kids around and try to put them in the best spots to be successful"

Devin Gonzalez

Wes Ulmer



Noe Ureste

Richardson ready to lead as Forsan's QB

By Oscar LeRoy
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FORSAN – Kobe Richardson is aware that not many people expect much out of his Forsan football team this season.

The Buffaloes are a young team and lost one of the best quarterbacks to ever play for the program after Bryce Hergert graduated.

But Richardson, who played receiver last year and was one of Hergert's top targets, is taking over at quarterback after being the backup. He said he learned a lot from the two-year starter and is ready to surprise some folks this season.

"I don't think it's going to be that big of change," said Richardson, one of only six seniors on the team. "I would always stay after practice and throw with Hergert and he would always show me things. That's definitely going to help me out. I learned different things, how to grip the ball different, footwork techniques, I learned handoffs and where your feet are supposed to be. He was a great quarterback who wanted everybody to get better."

Forsan coach Jason Phillips not only expects Richardson to step right into the role but also be one of the seniors to provide leadership for a young team.

"Him being around and knowing the offense is going to be instrumental in bringing those younger guys along," Phillips said. "He knows pretty much everything we do."

Being a starting quarterback is nothing new for Richardson, who started all throughout junior high. However, the last time he took snaps as the starter was when he was a freshman on the junior varsity team.

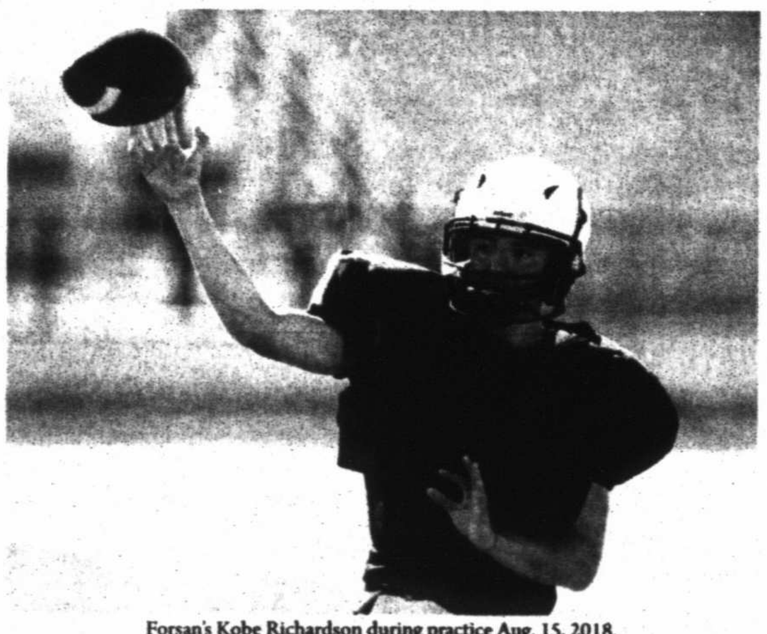
"It'll be a little different but I don't want to put too much stress," he said. "I just want to go out and have fun."

The last two years, the 6-foot, 160-pounder, he's been a receiver and in 2017 he caught 26 passes for 331 yards and five touchdowns. Like other football players who have made the transition from receiver to quarterback, Richardson hopes that will help him become a better quarterback.

"I learned that you can actually help out your quarterback a lot by knowing your position and your routes," he said. "I'm not going to lie, during my freshman year when I started at quarterback there were some routes where I had no idea. But after playing varsity those two years, it definitely helped me learn the offense better and learn what those guys have to do. Now I can help everybody on the team."

Phillips said because Kobe is the son of head men's basketball coach Cory Richardson, the young athlete is extremely coachable as well.

"He knows how to take it when you're getting on him, he knows how to take praise," Phillips said. "Probably the biggest thing about him is that he's a great leader. The kids really follow his lead and that's going to be instrumental for us. I don't know how much we'll throw the ball this year but I think a big part of our offense is our passing game, and he's more than capable of leading that passing game and he's more than capable of leading our offense.



Forsan's Kobe Richardson during practice Aug. 15, 2018.
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Richardson and the Buffaloes are also coming off a big season on the basketball court as the Buffaloes made it to the Region I-2A Tournament for the first time since 2009. They hope that success carries over to the football field.

"When you start winning, you kind of get hungry for it," said Richardson, a starting guard and leading scorer for the Buffaloes on the court. "A bunch of those guys from basketball are going to be out here. I think everybody wants to win and I think that's going to drive us even more because we've had a little taste of it. Anything we do, we're going to try to compete our best and go as far as we can."

Richardson, who also runs track and plays baseball, said the key to the season will be trusting in each other and trusting in the coaches.

He added that he will also do everything he can to make Forsan proud.

"Off the court, on the field, I just want to be that guy that people can go to if they need me and they look up to," Richardson said. "I want to set the best example that I can for everybody, even those younger kids in the stands."

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Buffaloes at a Glance

District: 3-2A Division I
Coach: Jason Phillips, 10th season at Forsan (48-49 in nine seasons)
Assistant coaches: Dave Park, Cory Richardson, Tommy Thompson, Greg Brown, Stephen East, Robert Hillger, Seth Johnson, Shelby Lefever
2017 Record: 3-7 overall, 0-4 in District 4-2A Division I
Returning starters: 5 offense, 6 defense
Typical Offense: Spread
Typical Defense: 4-2-5
Last playoff appearance: 2016, lost to Anson, 43-21, in a Class 2A Division I regional quarterfinal
Enrollment: 193
Rivalry game: Aug. 30 vs. Coahoma in Big Spring
Homecoming: Sept. 14 vs. Stanton
Home stadium: Buffalo Stadium, Forsan

2018 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 30	a-Coahoma	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Post	7:30p.m.
Sept. 14	Stanton	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Colorado City	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Reagan County	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	Wink	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Ozona*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Winters*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Hawley*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Stamford*	7:30 p.m.

a-at Big Spring
*Denotes District 3-2A Division I opponent

2017 RESULTS

Sept. 1 Coahoma 24, Forsan 19
Sept. 8 Forsan 34, Eldorado 6
Sept. 15 Forsan 44, Stanton 14
Sept. 22 Reagan County 42, Forsan 34
Sept. 29 Forsan 28, Amarillo JV 14
Oct. 6 Wink 47, Forsan 31
Oct. 13 Hawley 40, Forsan 21
Oct. 27 Anson 62, Forsan 41
Nov. 3 Post 58, Forsan 21
Nov. 10 Stamford 38, Forsan 27

Forsan football coach Jason Phillips during practice Aug. 15, 2018.
James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

OFFENSE
Strengths: Offensive line size and depth
Weakness: Team speed, lack of experience at skill positions

PLAYERS TO WATCH
QB Kobe Richardson, Sr. – Richardson makes the move from receiver to starting quarterback. He served as a backup the last two seasons and brings varsity experience and leadership.
RB Dylon Kligora, Sr. – Kligora is the leading returning rusher from last season with 328 yards and a TD on 78 carries.
OL Caden Williams, Sr. – The most experienced of the linemen, the team will look for him to provide leadership and guidance to the younger players up front.
Coach Phillips on the offense: "We'll add a little more two back but we like our system. We will probably be a little more running base with the backs we have returning."

DEFENSE
Strengths: Defensive line depth
Weakness: Inexperience in the secondary

KEY PLAYERS
LB Trey Brockman, Sr. – Brockman returns after a very good season. He is the returning leading tackler with 80 and added three tackles for loss.
DT Caden Williams, Sr. – The 6-foot-1, 270-pound Williams was a first-team all-district defensive tackle last season after recording 70 tackles, six tackles for loss and three sacks.
LB Jonathan Gabeheart, Jr. – Gabehart is another experienced linebacker, who had a solid season in 2017 with 52 tackles and a sack.
Coach Phillips on the defense: "The strength of our defense will be up the middle early because we've got the most experience there. We've got some young kids on the back end that we think will be exciting."

PREDICTED ORDER OF FINISH FOR DISTRICT 3-2A DIVISION
1.Stamford (10-3, 4-0) – The Bulldogs made a return to prominence last year by going three rounds deep in the playoffs. They return 10 starters from last season, including QB Peyton Bevel, who accounted for 2,252 yards and 26 touchdowns.
2. Ozona (6-5, 3-1 in District 3-2A Division I) – The Lions will look to get return to the playoffs against new district opponents with the return of 17 starters. They have some playmakers on offense, including QB Alec Lara, who accounted for 1,814 yards and 18 TDs.
3. Hawley (8-4, 3-1) – The Bearcats could challenge for one of the top two spots as they are coming off a season that saw them go two rounds deep in the playoffs. RB/LB Colton Marshall was a standout on both sides of the ball with 830 yards rushing and five TDs on offense, to go with 67 tackles on defense.
4. Winters (5-6, 4-1) – Winters is another playoff team that returns 16 starters, including DL Patrick Reyes, who had 84 tackles in 2017.
5. Forsan (3-7, 0-4) – If the young players develop, the Buffaloes could surprise some people, but it will be tough against more experienced teams in this district.

St. John goes from manager to key player for Trinity

By Kevin Scannell

As a freshman at the Trinity School, Preston St. John never could have imagined he could be running out on the field, in uniform and playing football under the lights for the Chargers in front of the home crowd at Coombes Field.

"I was really small and really scrawny back as a freshman," St. John said with a laugh.

So, he went a different route, joining the squad as a team manager wanting to do whatever he could to help the team. When he wasn't working as a student manager, St. John would also support the Chargers from the stands as part of the school band playing the saxophone.

But last season, a unique opportunity arose. St. John, a 5-foot-10, 180-pound basketball-only athlete for the Chargers, noticed the team struggling with low depth and several injuries after their move from the ranks of six-man back to 11-man football. With the Chargers mired in an 0-4 start at the midway point of the season, St. John joined the team hoping to help out in whatever way he could.

It wasn't always pretty, St. John explained. He had to get his conditioning up to par and learn all of the intricate systems that are a part of football. His joining the team was not to garner statistics or seek out any glory from the spotlight playing out on the field, he said.

"I just felt that it would have been a great calling in my life to join the football team and help them out," St. John said. "It was a tough little adventure for me, but the coaching staff gave me that hard push to get tougher and push through things to stay with the team."

Moving from six-man back to 11-man football was a large leap for the Chargers to take. As expected, there were growing pains and lessons to learn to build on for the future as the Chargers went 0-8 overall including an 0-4 mark in TAPPS Division III District I play.

Prior to last season's winless record, Trinity head coach Antwan Alexander and the Chargers experienced success in six-man football with a 5-5 record in 2013 before posting records of 9-2, 11-3 and 7-4 from 2014-16, highlighted by an appearance in the TAPPS six-man Division I Championship Game in 2015.

The journey last season for the Chargers was a tough one to endure, but Alexander credited with St. John with bringing a positive outlook and a desire to contribute. He is expected to help serve as the team's long snapper as well as play at tight end on offense and a linebacker on defense this season.

"Preston saw we were dealing with injuries to a lot of players and he wanted to be out on the field and help out his fellow students," Alexander said. "That's a very mature thing for a young man to say and then end up following through on. Everything we have asked him to do, he does it and does it well. He's become a quiet leader and that's something that as a coach you want to have on your team."

Trinity's Preston St. John runs drills during practice. Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Now, St. John and the Chargers have a goal to learn from their mistakes from last season to put forth a strong effort this year, while also helping to build up the foundation for the football program for the future.

"We just need to continue to keep working hard in practice and keep getting better as a team," St. John said. "Hopefully we can make some big plays, score some touchdowns, get some wins and just have a great season."

CHARGERS FAST FACTS
District: TAPPS Division III District 1
Head coach: Antwan Alexander, 6th year (32-22 overall)
Assistant coaches: Larry Brown, Michael Midkiff, Josh Norman, Shane Roberts, Orlando Padilla, Kasey Calvery, Tim Norman, Ben Henderson
2017 record: 0-8, 0-4 TAPPS Division III District 1
Returning starters: 9 offense, 9 defense
Typical offense: Pro Style
Typical defense: 33 Stack
Last playoff appearance: 2016, lost to Rockwall Heritage, 66-16, in TAPPS Six-Man Division I semifinal
Homecoming game: Sept. 21 vs Compass Academy
Home stadium: Coombes Field

2018 ROSTER

No.	Name	Class
1	Collin Fisher	Fr.
5	Braden Brown	So.
7	Carlos Carrasco	Fr.
8	Diego Tejada	Jr.
10	Grant Higgins	Fr.
12	Andrew Varner	Fr.
15	Ivan Valles	Fr.
16	Ethan Le	Sr.
17	Brandon Kennedy	Jr.
18	Dawson Butts	Sr
21	Gus Phillips	Jr.
22	Cade Lawson	Sr.
25	Jonathan Duke	Jr.
50	Preston Picciano	Sr.
51	Brice Mark	So.
52	Ethan Lujan	Sr.
62	Emeka Odukwu	Jr.
67	Noah McIntosh	Sr.
72	Barrett Branch	Fr.
74	Justin Chaves	Sr.
82	Preston St. John	Sr.
89	Davis Seybert	So.

2018 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Compass Academy	7 p.m.
Sept. 7	El Paso Cathedral	7 p.m.
Sept. 14	Kermit	7 p.m.
Sept. 21	Compass Academy	7 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Dallas First Baptist	7 p.m.
Oct. 12	Lubbock Trinity*	7 p.m.
Oct. 19	Lubbock Christian*	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Willow Park Trinity*	7 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Flower Mound Coram Deo*	7 p.m.
Nov. 9	at FW Temple Christian*	7 p.m.

*Denotes TAPPS Division 3 District 1 opponent

2017 RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Time
Sept. 1	Denver City 42, Trinity 14	
Sept. 9	Tyler All Saints 22, Trinity 12	
Sept. 29	FW Calvary Christian 18, Trinity 12	
Oct. 6	Blooming Grove 19, Trinity 14	
Oct. 13	Lubbock Trinity 49, Trinity 0	
Oct. 20	Willow Park Trinity 49, Trinity 0	
Nov. 3	FW Lake Country 47, Trinity 0	
Nov. 10	Lubbock Christian 59, Trinity 0	

CHARGERS AT A GLANCE

OFFENSE
Strength: An experienced offensive line
Weakness: Depth
Key players – Offensive linemen Preston Picciano and Emeka Odukwu will look to open holes for the running game, while wide receiver Ethan Le provides the Chargers' top receiving option.

DEFENSE
Strength: Leadership on the defensive line
Weakness: Linebacker play will be needed to help stop the run
Key players – Defensive ends Ethan Le and Davis Seybert will be counted on to help get pressure on the quarterback and help lead the charge with keeping their opponent's ground game in check.

SPECIAL TEAMS
Strength: Having an experienced specialist to handle the kicking, punting
Weakness: Low depth means everyone must know each role on special teams
Key players – Specialist Carlos Carrasco will be able to handle the kickoffs and punting and will be a huge addition to the offense with his ability to kick field goals from distance, Alexander said.

TAPPS DIVISION III DISTRICT 1 PREDICTED ORDER OF FINISH

1.Lubbock Christian (11-2, 6-0) – With 11 starters coming back from a team that went three rounds deep last year, the Eagles will be the favorite to win the district.
2. Lubbock Trinity (7-4, 3-3) – The Lions have the most starters coming back with 19, including some playmakers on both sides of the ball.
3. Willow Park Trinity (8-4, 3-3) – These Eagles have 15 starters coming back and could be a threat to win the district title.
4. Fort Worth Temple Christian (7-5, 3-2 in TAPPS Division III District 2) – The Eagles are new to the district but they could surprise with eight starters back on each side of the ball.
5. Flower Mound Coram Deo (8-4, 4-1 in TAPPS Division III District 2) – The Lions should have a solid defense, thanks in part to the return of LB Max McCalley, who had 110 tackles and 10 tackles for loss.
6. Trinity (0-8, 0-4) – The Chargers' success will depend on how their depth holds up.

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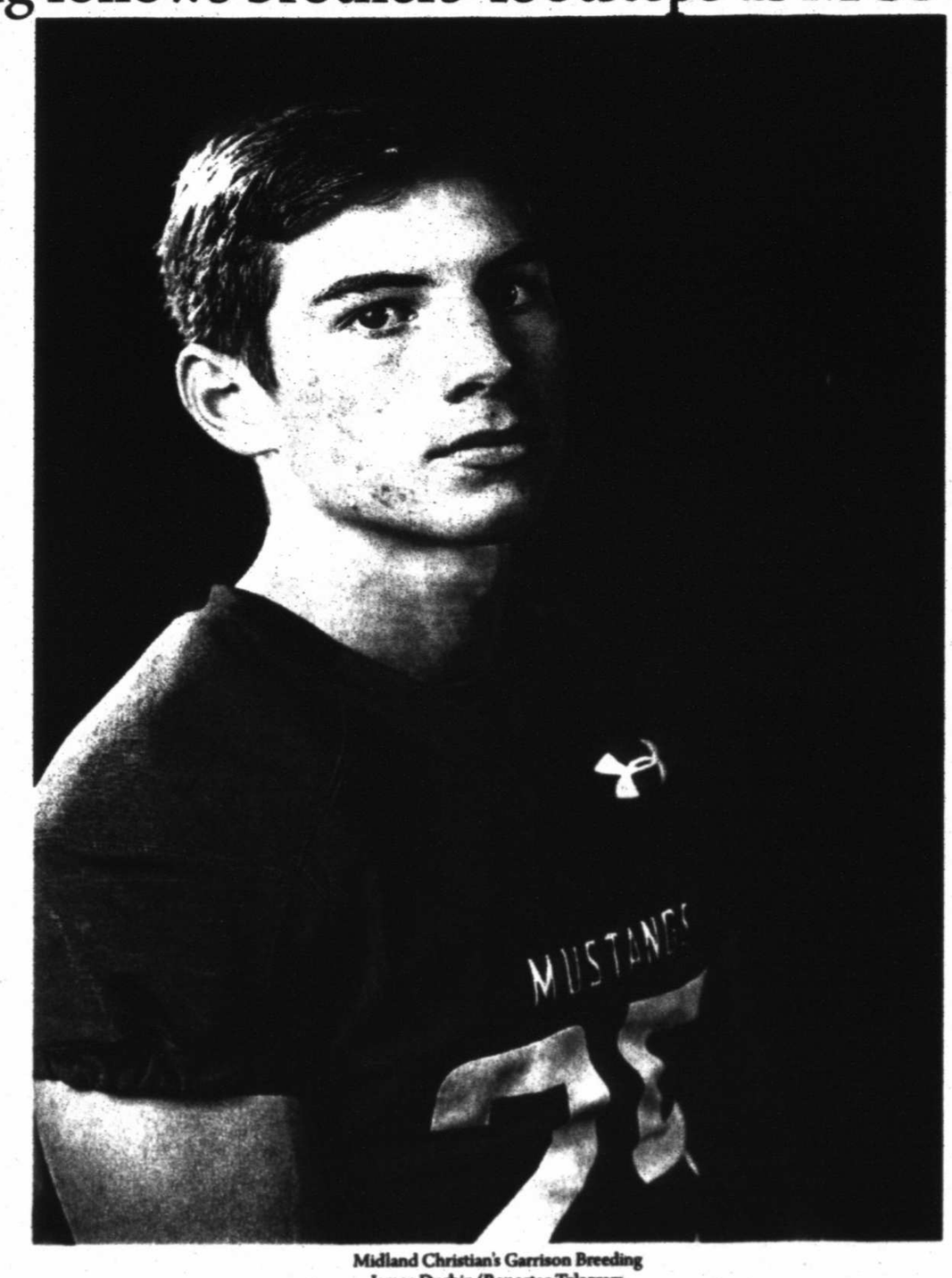
Breeding follows brothers' footsteps as MCS standout



Midland Christian's Garrison Breeding
James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

By Oscar LeRoy
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Garrison Breeding knows what it means to play football at Midland Christian.

The junior safety for the Mustangs grew up watching the team play thanks to his two older brothers playing there and enjoying plenty of success.

Oldest brother Landon was the district's Defensive Player of the Year in 2011, while middle brother Bryson was an all-district offensive lineman in 2015.

Breeding said he learned a lot by watching his brothers play.

"Especially my brother, Bryson, he has really encouraged me throughout the years because he was only four years older than me," he said. "He taught me a lot of stuff, like working hard and whatnot. It's nice to have an idea in your head of what they had because I've been to every game for the past 11 years or so. Just knowing what they've been doing and what works in the program and what doesn't has helped."

Breeding is now making a name for himself as a 5-foot-10, 165-pound safety as he's coming off a year in which he recorded 70 total tackles, three tackles for loss and one interception. He will also look to provide depth at running back after rushing for 197 yards and two touchdowns on 32 carries.

Head coach Greg McClendon, who enters his 21st season at the school, said Breeding is one of the hardest workers on the team, a weight room junkie and paid him the ultimate compliment in calling him a, "football playing dude."

"He runs track but there's no question football is where his heart is," McClendon said. "He started some as a freshman, he put in a full season as a sophomore and now he's like a coach back there in the secondary. He's so hard working and consistent on offense, he does everything right.

"He's just a good kid, a high character kid. A strong leader. We had high expectations from the time he was in junior high. He was probably not big enough to play varsity high school football but he was such a tough kid and a hard working kid, he became a ball player for us."

Breeding admits he's grown up a lot over the past few years.

"I've become a more vocal leader and trusting people a lot more, doing my own job and not worrying about other people's jobs," he said. "Really, it's about having more trust in your teammates than anything. Even if you have a bunch of good players on the field, if you don't trust each other or work together, there will be nothing that will get done."

The Mustangs will look for Breeding to provide some of that leadership as they look to replace key players on both sides of the ball. Plus, Midland Christian will be playing in the more competitive TAPPS Division I, which is usually peppered with college prospects.

Breeding said he kind of likes being in the underdog role going into the season.

"I think we're going to surprise a lot of teams," he said "We've got a lot of guys who may not have played (on varsity) last year who will do really well and make plays for us.

"I don't really have any goals for myself. I'm just going to focus on my team and working all together as a unit."

It's probably not wise to bet against Breeding and the Mustangs this season. He's one of those players who is looking to continue to add to the Midland Christian tradition.

"Just hard work," said Breeding when asked what it means to be a Mustang. "We're not the biggest or the most athletically talented team but we work together as a unit and work hard in every situation we're in."

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Midland Christian's Garison Breeding (25) attempts to intercept a pass for Tyler Grace Community's Alvin Skipworth (24) in the TAPPS Division II bi-district game Nov. 18, 2017, at Gordon Awtry Field. James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland Christian Facts and Position Breakdowns

District: TAPPS Division I District 1
Head coach: Greg McClendon, 21st season (177-71 in 20 years at MCS)
Assistant coaches: Tyler Fleet, Mike Robles, Matt Counts, Ronnie Reeger, Ryan Tucker, Jarrod Koym, Fred Thrweatt, Chris Brazzell, Mann Rodriguez
2017 Record: 8-4, 3-1 in TAPPS Division II District 1
Returning starters: 4 offensive, 6 defensive
Typical offense: Spread/multiple
Typical defense: Multiple 4-3
Last playoff appearance: 2017, lost to Cedar Hill Trinity Christian, 41-7, in TAPPS Division II state quarterfinal
Enrollment: 390
Homecoming: Oct. 5 vs. San Antonio Cornerstone
Rivalry game: Sept. 28 at Fort Worth Christian
Home Stadium: Gordon Awtry Stadium

2018 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	El Paso Chapin	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at El Paso Americas	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Wall	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Monahans	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Fort Worth Christian	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	San Antonio Cornerstone	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	at Addison Trinity Christian*	7 p.m.
Oct. 19	Denton Liberty Christian*	7 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Fort Worth Nolan Catholic	7 p.m.
Nov. 9	Fort Worth All Saints*	7 p.m.

*Denotes TAPPS Division I District 1 game

2017 RESULTS

Sept. 1 Midland Christian 41, El Paso Eastwood 31
Sept. 8 Midland Christian 26, Brock 9
Sept. 15 Midland Christian 54, El Paso Americas 14
Sept. 22 Fort Worth All Saints 35, Midland Christian 21
Sept. 29 Midland Christian 36, Alvin Shadow Creek 24
Oct. 13 Midland Christian 24, Grapevine Faith 14
Oct. 20 Midland Christian 41, Fort Worth Southwest Christian 14
Oct. 27 Wall 40, Midland Christian 21
Nov. 3 Midland Christian 48, Frisco Legacy 19
Nov. 10 Fort Worth Christian 42, Midland Christian 7
Playoffs
Nov. 18 Bi-district, Midland Christian 48, Tyler Grace Community 22
Nov. 25 State quarterfinal, Cedar Hill Trinity Christian 41, Midland Christian 6

2018 ROSTER
(subject to change)

No.	Name	Pos.	Class
1	Brannan Mannix	RB/FS	Fr.
2	Ben Gibbs	RB//LB	Sr.
3	Brandon Fields	WR/SS	Sr.
4	Colton Wolfe	LB/TE	So.
5	Brad Evans	WR/LB	So.
6	Payton Murdock	RB/CB	Sr.
7	Joe Rawicki	WR/K	Sr.
8	Riggs McDonald	QB	Jr.
9	Micah Strahan	LB/WR	Sr.
10	Gavin Owen	QB	Jr.
12	Rhett Clark	WR	So.
13	Mitch McCann	QB	Jr.
16	Nick Foisy	RB/CB	So.
18	JT McCollum	RB/DB	So.
19	Tristan Marsh	RB/CB	So.
20	Cooper Carlisle	WR/CB	Jr.
21	Matthew Madison	WR/CB	Jr.
22	Zach Wells	WR/S	Jr.
24	Jalen Beecroft	WR/DB	Jr.
25	Garison Breeding	S/RB	Jr.
26	Zach Thomas	WR/CB	Sr.
27	Kaden Shoemaker	TE/LB	Sr.
28	Kyle Flatt	WR/CB	Jr.
32	Briggs Alsup	TE/DE	Fr.
33	Ryan Parker	LB	So.
34	Noah Davis	TE/DL	Fr.
35	Kage Gilbreath	TE/DE	Jr.
37	Chris Purdy	WR/S	Jr.
44	Luke Thomason	DE/TE	Sr.
50	Daniel Gower	DE/OL	Sr.
55	Sam Culpepper	OL/DL	Jr.
56	Colin Rogers	OL/DL	Jr.
57	Carter Chandler	DE/OL	Sr.
59	Christian Olivas	OL/DE	So.
61	Todd Gibson	OL/DL	Sr.
63	John Granicny	OL/DL	Sr.
65	Jake Stephen	OL/DL	Sr.
71	Trevor Tucker	OL/DL	Jr.
72	Ben Thompson	OL	Sr.
73	Tyler Wilson	OL/DL	Jr.
79	Michael Madrid	OL/DL	Jr.
86	Josh Keating	OL/DL	So.

BREAKING DOWN THE MUSTANGS
QUARTERBACK

What to expect in 2018: A couple of transfers will look to battle it out for the starting position to replace Peyton Powell, who transferred to Odessa Permian, in junior Riggs McDonald, who transferred from Midland High, and junior Gavin Owen, who transferred from Lee. McDonald had varsity starting experience last year as he completed 51 percent of his passes for 292 yards, three touchdowns and one interception.

RUNNING BACK

What to expect in 2018: McClendon said the team has depth at this position, led by senior Ben Gibbs, who rushed for 350 yards and five touchdowns on 44 carries last season. Also look for junior Garison Breeding, freshman Brannan Mannix and junior Matthew Madison to be in the rotation. Mannix, the younger brother of McLane Mannix, announced on Twitter in May that he got a scholarship offer from the University of Nevada.

WIDE RECEIVERS

What to expect in 2018: This unit is expected to be much improved from a year ago as it not only has experience but depth. Senior Joe Rawicki is the leading returning receiver after he caught 20 passes for 248 yards. Also look for sophomore Colton Wolfe, sophomore Rhett Clark, junior Kage Gilbreath and junior Jalen Beecroft to be in the mix.

OFFENSIVE LINE

What to expect in 2018: McClendon said the key every year for his offense is the work of the offensive line and once again this unit looks to be a physical bunch to not only protect whoever will be the team's starting quarterback but open holes for its running backs. They will be led by senior center John Graniczny and senior left guard Chandler Carter. Senior Ben Thompson will look to start at right tackle, junior Colin Rogers is at right guard and senior Jake Stephen will look to be at left tackle. Look for other offensive linemen to add depth to the rotation.

DEFENSIVE LINE

What to expect in 2018: The Mustangs have some experience with the return of Gilbreath (54 tackles, 8 TFL) and senior Daniel Gower (35 tackles, 8 TFL, team-high six sacks) at defensive end. At defensive tackle, look for senior Jake Stephen and Graniczny (22 tackles, 4 TFL).

LINEBACKERS

What to expect in 2018: The unit will have to replace some experienced players, including one of the most prolific tacklers to come through the program in David Threadgill, but McClendon said he likes what he has seen from this unit. At middle linebacker look for Wolfe and Clark, while senior Micah Strahan and Gibbs are projected to be on the outside.

SECONDARY

What to expect in 2018: The unit is led by junior safety Garison Breeding, who was a second team all-state selection after recording 70 tackles, three tackles for loss, three fumble recoveries and an interception. Senior cornerback Payton Murdock also returns after solid season, in which he had 41 total tackles. The other cornerback is a battle between Madison, Beecroft or sophomore Tristan Marsh. If Madison or Beecroft don't play cornerback, they could see time at the other safety position.

SPECIAL TEAMS

What to expect in 2018: The Mustangs will be solid in the kicking game as Rawicki returns after a good season in 2017 in which he hit three field goals and 34 extra points. He will be adding punting duties this year as well. McClendon said Rawicki is looking stronger than he did last year and expects him to be solid once again.

TAPPS DIVISION I DISTRICT 1 PREDICTED ORDER OF FINISH

1.Fort Worth All Saints (11-1 as independent) – The Saints are usually loaded with talent and they once again look to be a team to beat as they join a district this season. On the offensive line, twins James and Tommy Brockermeyer, sons of former Texas standout Blake Brockermeyer, lead a solid unit.
2. Argyle Liberty Christian (6-5, 4-3) – The Warriors have a new coach in Steven Greek but return 13 starters off a Division I playoff team. The defense should be strong with the return of 6-foot-5, 240-pound DL Israel Isuman-Hundley (56 tackles) and LB Logan Graham (78 tackles).
3. Midland Christian (8-4, 3-1 in TAPPS Division II District 1) – The Mustangs make the move back to Division I. This district will be more of a challenge for the Mustangs, but with their tradition and a competitive non-district schedule, they believe they will be ready.
4. Fort Worth Nolan Catholic (5-6, 4-3 in TAPPS Division I District 1) – The Vikings will be dangerous, especially on defense. DE NaNa Osafo-Mensah is a four-star prospect who's committed to Notre Dame and recorded nine sacks last year. LB Chance Cover is a three-star recruit who had 136 tackles and three sacks.
5. Addison Trinity Christian (2-10, 1-6 TAPPS Division I District 1) – Former Baylor and NFL great Mike Singletary takes over a team that struggled last season. The team returns 17 starters so the Trojans have hope they will be an improved squad.

Rodriquez hopes to make impact for Grady after injuries

By Kevin Scannell

Sitting on the sidelines with an injury can be an excruciating experience for an athlete. Wanting to be out on the football field, the basketball court or on the track competing only to be held back because of a serious injury can be a real test of an athlete, providing motivation to become better on the fields of play while also becoming stronger in body and in mind.

For Grady senior Jordan Rodriquez, that experience is all too familiar.

His year-long ordeal started nearly two years ago when he suffered a dislocated kneecap during his sophomore year. Coaches were able to pop it back into place and Rodriquez continued through the rest of the school year participating in football, basketball and later track without many complications.

However, problems arose again last year while participating in summer football drills in Rankin. Rodriquez said he felt a lot of pain after jumping up and catching a pass and feeling a popping sensation in his knee.

The final diagnosis? To add to his original dislocated kneecap from the year before, he was found to have a torn ACL and a meniscus torn in three places, according to Rodriquez.

Slated to play a big role as a running back and linebacker for the Wildcats as a junior, Rodriquez, was instead left to watch from the sidelines, cheering on and encouraging his teammates. The Wildcats finished the season 2-8 overall, including a 2-2 mark in District 6-1A Division II, missing out on the playoffs for the third straight season.

"It was very hard to watch from the sidelines," Rodriquez said. "The whole situation upset me. I wanted to make an impact and help out the team, but I couldn't do anything."

Rodriquez endured five months of strenuous rehab, strengthening his knee and regaining the speed and pure athletic ability that he became known for. Grady head coach Brent Lucas watched in awe as Rodriquez made his return to the basketball court and later to the track where he and his teammates swept 1,600 relay at the district, area and regional meets before advancing to the Class 1A State meet in Austin and finishing in fourth.

Lucas credited Rodriquez with keeping an upbeat attitude throughout that entire experience and being a positive influence on his teammates.

"He has certainly been through a lot this past year," Lucas said of Rodriquez. "But, Jordan has never complained about it. He's chomping at the bit to get back out on the field. He's still got some work left to do, but he just really wants to get out there and be a solid leader as a senior for this team."

After completing the rehab and making his way back to the court, the track and, very soon, the football field, the 6-foot, 185-pound Rodriquez has vowed to keep his injury ordeal positive, using it as a motivator to make him a stronger person on the field and in life.

"This whole experience has really taught me to be patient with things," Rodriquez said. "I have had to trust in the people around me to help get to where I am now. I've put the injury behind me and I won't let it scare me from doing what I love to do. I'm only looking forward now and I'm hoping to help make a big impact for the team this season."

Grady's Jordan Rodriquez lines up to take the snap as he and the team run plays during practice on Aug. 14. Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

WILDCATS FAST FACTS

District: District 6-1A Division I
Head coach: Brent Lucas, 3rd year (5-15 overall)
2017 record: 2-8 overall, 2-2 1A 6-Man 2 Region II District 6
Returning starters: 3 offense, 3 defense
Typical offense: Jaybird
Typical defense: 3-2
Last playoff appearance: 2014,lost to Happy, 60-36, in Class 1A area round
Enrollment: 68
Homecoming game: Oct. 19 vs O'Donnell
Rivalry game: Oct. 26 at Ackerly Sands
Home stadium: Tunnel Field, Lenorah

WILDCATS AT A GLANCE

OFFENSE

Strength: Depth at all positions

Weakness: Being more consistent, more balanced with run and pass game

Key player

B Jordan Rodriquez, Sr. – Rodriquez is expected to help bolster the backfield after sitting out last season with a knee injury.

DEFENSE

Strength: Senior leadership at multiple positions

Weakness: Getting consistent stops on defense

Key players – In addition to Rodriquez, three other seniors including Marshall Cox (defensive end), Sergio Reyna (nose guard) and Charles Cassell (linebacker) will help lead an experienced defensive unit.

SPECIAL TEAMS

Strength: Converting onside kick attempts

Weakness: Being more consistent on PAT attempts

Key players – Senior kicker Alijah Ontiveros will handle the kicking duties and Coach Lucas believes he can make a big difference on the scoreboard, especially in close games.

PREDICTED ORDER OF FINISH FOR DISTRICT 6-1A DIVISION I

1.Borden County (15-0, 6-0 in District 5-1A Division I) – The defending state champions are the heavy favorites to run the table in this district, especially with the return of playmaking RB Payton Merket, who rushed for 1,010 yards and 18 touchdowns.

2. Klondike (6-5, 2-2 in 5-1A Division I) – Klondike should be dangerous thank to the return of quarterback/S Shay Coleman, who rushed for more than 1,900 yards and picked off six passes on defense.

3. Sands (10-3, 4-0 in 6-1A Division II) – Sands has four starters coming back off a team that went three rounds deep in the playoffs in Division II. The key player is running back Hunter Reese, who rushed for 1,820 yards and 35 TDs.

4. Grady (2-8, 2-2) – Grady could surprise with four starters on each side of the ball coming back from a team that barely missed the playoffs in Division II.

5. O'Donnell (2-8, 0- 4 n 5-1A Division I) – The Eagles have five starters coming back but they're still a very young team with a large sophomore class.

2018 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Highland	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Southland	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Silverton	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	at Grandfalls-Royalty	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Westbrook	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	Robert Lee	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	O'Donnell*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Ackerly Sands*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Klondike*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Borden County*	7:30 p.m.

*Denotes District 1-A Division I opponent

2017 RESULTS

Sept. 1	Highland 70, Grady 24
Sept. 8	Robert Lee 50, Grady 34
Sept. 15	Water Valley 60, Trinity 14
Sept. 22	Rankin 65, Trinity 0
Sept. 29	Westbrook 66, Grady 31
Oct. 6	New Home 54, Grady 0
Oct. 13	Sands 64, Grady 18
Oct. 20	Grady 52, Dawson 6
Nov. 3	Grady 60, Loop 12
Nov. 10	Wellman-Union 65, Grady 30

Garden City's Cesar Chavez during practice Aug. 16, 2018. James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Chavez spearheads Bearkats' D with high hopes

By Oscar LeRoy
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GARDEN CITY – Every high school football team at this time of year sets a goal of making it to Arlington's AT&T Stadium to play in the state championship game.

Garden City would love nothing more than to be one of those teams at the end of the year, but head coach Jeff Jones said the only goal the Bearkats set for themselves is winning that next game. If that next game means a December trip to Adlington, then so be it.

In recent years, the Bearkats have won more than most and that trend will likely continue this season thanks to return of five starters off a formidable defense in 2017.

At the heart of the defense is senior linebacker Cesar Chavez, who racked up 148 tackles, seven tackles for loss and four interceptions (returning one for a touchdown) to earn him the District 6-1A Defensive MVP award, second team all-state honors and various other publication honors along the way.

Jones said Chavez seems to have a knack for playing defense. Chavez was also the district's defensive MVP in boys basketball.

"Cesar is one of the best," Jones said. "He'll read his key and soon as the ball is snapped, it seems that Cesar knows where the ball is going and he's in the hole. His reaction time is impressive and he's not the only one on the team who is that way.

"He's always a hard worker. He told me that basketball has always been his favorite sport. He can anticipate a steal on defense in basketball. His eye coordination to his body is unreal."

Chavez, a quiet, polite and humble kid, said he is excited about the potential of this team.

"I think it's going to be special," he said. "I'm excited about playing again. On defense, I just want to give my best out there and be there for everybody and the team."

Chavez will have some good company on the defensive side of the ball. Raul Almazan was a second-team all-state defensive lineman, Hagan Halfmann was an all-state cornerback, Trae Jost was an all-region defensive lineman, linebacker Hunter McMillan was a second team all-region defensive utility and Zach Burnett was a second team all-region nose guard.

With all those players returning from 10-3 team that made it to Class 1A Division I state quarterfinal round, there's a reason folks are excited about this team.

"We have a lot of defensive players are coming back," Chavez said. "We only lost one (Trent McMillan). He contributed a lot but everybody else is coming back. I've been playing with these guys for three years. I know all of them and just getting to know them more."

Part of Chavez's development on his three years on varsity is that of a leader. He said that is something that he's grown more into as well as being patient and being on time.

"It's important being in front of the lowerclassmen and showing them the work ethic and showing them everything you know," he said. "As a team it's about playing together as a whole, learning together and getting to know each other."

While Chavez is one who leads more by example, Jones said when the lights come on Friday nights, Chavez knows when to change into another gear.

"Cesar is one of those who's pretty loose out there," Jones said. "He cuts it up and jokes around out there. He keeps things loose when he's around his buddies. But when it comes down to it, you can see the look in his eyes where he shuts up and gets focused. I think that rubs off on other kids."

Chavez said if his team puts in the hard work in practice, the Bearkats will achieve their goals this season.

"I just want us to go out there and play the best game," he said. "We want to win a championship but we've just got to go one game at a time."

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BEARKATS FAST FACTS

District: 8-1A Division I
Head coach: Jeff Jones, 4th year (52-38 in nine years overall, 31-8 at Garden City)
2017 record: 10-3 overall, 3-0 in District 6-1A Division I
Returning starters: 3 offense, 5 defense
Typical offense: Jaybird
Typical defense: 2-3
Last playoff appearance: 2017, lost to Borden County, 74-24, in Class 6A Division I state quarterfinal
Enrollment: 92
Homecoming game: Sept. 21 vs. Imperial Buena Vista
Rivalry game: Sept. 28 at Rankin
Home stadium: Bearkat Stadium, Garden City

2018 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 31	Amarillo San Jacinto	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	at Morton	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 14	Balmorhea	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	Imperial Buena Vista	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Rankin	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	Strawn	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19	Water Valley*	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Westbrook*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 2	Highland*	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9	at Sterling City*	7:30 p.m.

*Denotes District 8-1A Division I opponent

2017 SCHEDULE

Sept. 1	Garden City 70, Veritas Academy 26
Sept. 8	Garden City 74, Santa Anna 0
Sept. 22	Balmorhea 69, Garden City 32
Sept. 29	Garden City 50, Rankin 0
Oct. 6	Garden City 52, Buena Vista 36
Oct. 13	Garden City 54, Marfa 6
Oct. 20	Milford 66, Garden City 61
Oct. 27	Garden City 59, Westbrook 14
Nov. 3	Garden City 54, Sterling City 8
Nov. 10	Garden City 73, Robert Lee 14
Playoffs	
Nov. 17	Bi-district, Garden City 68, Klondike 0
Nov. 25	Regional, Garden City 54, Rankin 40
Dec. 1	State quarterfinal, Borden County 74, Garden City 24

2018 BEARKATS AT A GLANCE

OFFENSE

Strength: Tradition
Weakness Size, depth

KEY PLAYERS

QB Trae Jost, Sr. – Jost takes over as starting quarterback with the graduation of Trent McMillan. Jost did play QB in the state quarterfinal game against Borden County when McMillan was injured. He finished with 217 yards passing, six TDs and one interception on 9-of-17 passing.

RB Amando Alegria, Sr. – Alegria is coming off a solid season in which he had 782 yards rushing and 18 touchdowns on 41 carries.

FB Hunter McMillan – McMillan was their offensive utility player last year as he had 320 yards and seven TDs rushing, had 15 catches for 261 yards and five TDs, and was 10 of 14 for 115 yards and two TDs passing.

Coach Jones on the offense: "We're not real big but we can execute with the best of them. We were kind of known for our power running game last year. I think that could still be one of our identities. We're going to spread it out a little more. We want to create another aspect that opponents will have to get ready for."

DEFENSE

Strength: Experience
Weakness: Depth

KEY PLAYERS

LB Cesar Chavez, Sr. – Chavez is the leader of the defense after posting 148 tackles, seven tackles for loss and four interceptions last season.

DL Raul Almazan, Sr. – Almazan was one of the top defensive linemen in six-man last year with 110 tackles, eight tackles for loss, two fumbles caused and five fumble recoveries.

DB Hagan Halfmann, Sr. – Halfmann was a standout cornerback last season with 92 tackles and an interception return for a touchdown. He will anchor the secondary.

Coach Jones on the defense: "They react so well to things. As soon as the ball is snapped, they're so good at reading their keys and seeing quickly how a play develops. They can also open-field tackle really well. Each individual kid is so good at tackling. They spend a lot of time watching video and it's pretty nice to have a bunch of kids that love high football IQs out there."

PREDICTED ORDER OF FINISH FOR DISTRICT 8-1A DIVISION I

1.Garden City (10-3, 3-0) – With what is expected to be one of the better defenses around, and playmakers on both sides of the ball, the Bearkats are the team to beat in this district.

2. Sterling City (6-5, 2-1) – The Eagles would love nothing more than to challenge the Bearkats for the top spot with the return of four starters on offense and five on defense.

3. Highland (7-4, 2-1 in District 7-1A Division II) – Running back Eli Sauer, who rushed for 1,616 yards and 36 touchdowns, could make the Hornets a dangerous bunch after moving up from the Division II level.

4. Water Valley (5-6, 3-0 in 8-1A Division I) – The Wildcats have four starters returning on each side of the ball plus some young promising talent that could surprise some people.

5. Westbrook (6-4, 1-2) – Three Wildcats are coming off a solid season but challenging for a playoff spot will be tough.