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Judge rules school funding law unconstitutional

Abbott says state will appeal the ruling; case likely headed to Texas Supreme Court

Associated Press

AUSTIN — A judge declared Texas' school finance system unconstitutional for a second time Thursday, finding that even though the Legislature pumped an extra $3 billion-plus into classrooms last summer, the state still fails to provide adequate funding or distribute it fairly among wealthy and poor areas.

State District Judge John Dietz's written ruling reaffirms a verbal decision he issued in February 2013. He found then that the state's so-called "Robin Hood" funding formula fails to meet the Texas Constitution's requirements for a fair and efficient system that provides a "general diffusion of knowledge."

Dietz's final, 21-page opinion took the extra step of blocking Texas from using portions of its current system to pay for schools — but also put that order on hold until next July. That gives the Legislature, which reconvenes in January, an opportunity to "cure the constitutional deficiencies," the ruling says.

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott's office, which had argued that the system was flawed but nonetheless constitutional, said Thursday that the state "will appeal and will defend this law, just as it defends all laws enacted by the Legislature when they are challenged in court." That means the case is likely headed to the Texas Supreme Court.

If the high court upholds the Dietz decision, it will be up to state lawmakers to design a new funding method. Still, all appeals may not conclude until well after the 2015 legislative session is over.

In the meantime, Dietz wrote that the Legislature "has failed to meet its constitutional duty to suitably provide for Texas public schools" because the funding system is "structured, operated and funded so that it cannot provide a constitutionally adequate education for all Texas schoolchildren."

The case grew out of the Legislature's cutting $5.4 billion from public educa-

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FOOTBALL HAS ARRIVED

The electric charge of football was in the air Thursday afternoon, but the weather wasn't exactly ideal, at least in the beginning. Lightning interrupted the game between Lee and Keller even before it started, delaying a 4:30 p.m. kickoff to just past 7 p.m. But Mother Nature dispelled her fury and replaced the turbulent display with a rainbow that stretched across Grande Communications Stadium. Soon after, the thunderous roar of the crowd supplanted the thunderous roar from the clouds, and the only lights in the evening sky were those famously belonging to Friday nights. But coaches, players and fans alike didn't have to wait one more day. Football had arrived.

By Trevor Hawes | Photo by James Durbin
Reporter-Telegram

Seliger talks TxDOT funding, dark money at town hall

■ Senator: TxDOT 'is a bureaucracy, primary job is preservation of bureaucracy'

By Joseph Basco
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State Sen. Kel Seliger, R-District 31, launched his monthlong tour of town hall meetings in Midland on Thursday, meeting and speaking with constituents in preparation for the 84th legislative session.

Seliger's speech before answering questions at Midland College touched on transportation funding — the topic of choice for frustrated politicians who witness firsthand the deterioration of the area's rural road infrastructure. The topic is a timely one, as on the November ballot will be Proposition 1, a constitutional amendment that would put billions of dollars from the state's oil and gas production tax collections into the state highway fund, rather than the state's rainy day fund.

"I wanted it (Proposition 1) to be more targeted, since all of the money from severance tax, obviously, is derived from the oil and gas business," Seliger said. "The first in line should be those counties that produce oil and gas, that produce that income."

After the meeting, Midland Odessa

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STATEBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

HOUSTON

Oil tanker near Texas leaves after legal dispute

A Kurdish oil tanker anchored near Galveston for about a month has finally sailed off, taking its potentially $100 million cargo somewhere else.

A U.S. Coast Guard spokesman told The Houston Chronicle the United Kalavryta has moved from its Gulf of Mexico location where it's been for about a month. A maritime tracking system stopped receiving a signal from the ship Monday.

It's unclear if the oil was sold and where the ship went.

The tanker arrived with 1 million barrels of oil pumped from the Kurdish areas of Iraq in July. Iraq considers the oil stolen and has sued to stop its sale. Iraq has also threatened to sue anyone who helps offload it.

In recent weeks, attacks by the Islamic State militant group have overwhelmed Kurdish forces. An industry expert says oil is Kurdistan's primary source of revenue to arm its soldiers and handle a growing refugee population.

"The Kurds are desperate," said Charlie Ebinger, director of the energy security initiative at the Brookings Institution. "They are very financially strapped for cash and they want to sell any oil they can to whoever will buy it."

The monthlong wait in the Gulf of Mexico was costly. The average daily rate for a crude oil tanker its size ranges from $20,000 to $27,000, according to data from Clarksons, a London-based shipping services provider.

The oil aboard the ship is worth more than $100 million at international prices. However, given Iraq's legal threats, the buyer will likely get a discount.

"It's still a huge legal threat," said Ed Hirs, who teaches energy economics at the University of Houston. "Anybody who would agree to acquire faces the risk of impoundment, loss of cargo and the loss of the proceeds ... and that's a very serious threat for a buyer and a very valid one, too."

AUSTIN

Film official: Incentives keep Texas in picture

The director of the Texas Film Commission says incentives used to reimburse production companies are helping lure them to the Lone Star State.

Director Heather Page told a House panel Wednesday that legislation last year allowed the commission to raise its refund rate for production costs by 5 percent.

The reimbursements go toward entertainment companies that hire Texans and spend money in the state. While the rate isn't as high as other states, Page said it's enough to keep Texas competitive.

She said Texas has provided $128 million in incentives over the past seven years.

But Warner Bros. Entertainment executive Michael Walbrecht testified that Texas will have to boost its incentives to be more competitive. He said Texas is doing "just enough" to get filmmakers to come to the state.

AUSTIN

Highway department backs off billboard proposal

The Texas Department of Transportation is backing off a proposal to raise the height of billboards following hundreds of public comments from people who opposed the plan, an agency spokesman said.

The state department proposed increasing the current height limit by almost 22 feet, which would have allowed billboards to be a maximum 65 feet tall. Advertisers supported the plan, saying taller signs are needed because the speed of travel has increased and highways have expanded.

The transportation department received about 900 public comments asking the department not to raise the height limit.

The proposal is expected to come up for a vote in September, but appears dead, the Austin American-Statesman reported Wednesday.

Anne Culver of environmental group Scenic Texas said she's pleased the state transportation agency dropped its support of the proposal. The organization argued bigger signs would block country views and pose a threat of distraction for drivers.

A transportation department staff memo also said highway officials wanted to pull their support based on conflicting findings from industry and environmental group studies.

This summer, highway officials said findings from industry trade group studies indicate "to have a functional viewing distance at 60 to 70 miles per hour, a sign should have approximately 65 feet of vertical offset."

Scenic Texas paid for a study of its own which said the industry group analyses were flawed.

GALVESTON

Guns found at jail facility

The Galveston County sheriff's office says they discovered two unloaded handguns on top of an 18-foot-tall shed at a facility used for an inmate work program.

Sheriff Henry Trochesset told the Galveston County Daily News that the handguns, which weren't in working condition, were found Aug. 19 after the office got a tip. He said they are looking into the possibility that a deputy was responsible.

Trouchesset said the weapons, which came from the sheriff's office evidence room, were marked in the department's internal records as having been destroyed on July 29.

Trouchesset said inmates routinely destroy confiscated unloaded weapons under the supervision of deputies at the facility, which is used for the jail's continuing skills program.

Policy changes after the incident include preventing inmates from dismantling confiscated weapons.

SAN ANTONIO

Masked gunmen kill 2 in apartment

San Antonio police say two masked gunmen are suspected of kicking in the door of an apartment and then shooting to death two people in their bedroom.

Police said that when officers arrived early Thursday morning they found the man and woman fatally shot in their bedroom.

Police said the masked gunmen fled in a dark sport utility vehicle.

A few minutes after the shooting, police said they got a call that a small SUV had been set on fire. They are trying to determine if the vehicle fire is related to the shootings.

The names and ages of the victims have not yet been released.

TEMPLE

Man indicted in Central Texas police chief's death

A 57-year-old man who formerly worked in law enforcement has been indicted in the fatal shooting of a police chief in the small Central Texas town of Little River-Academy.

The Temple Daily Telegram reported a Bell County grand jury indicted David Gene Risner on Wednesday on one count of capital murder of a peace officer in the June 19 death of Chief Lee Dixon. Risner is being held without bond. Jail records don't list an attorney.

Risner is accused of killing Lee when the chief went to talk to him after a person filed a complaint saying Risner pulled a gun during a dispute.

Risner served in law enforcement for almost 19 years. His most recent position was with Grand Saline police, where his tenure ended in 2005.

AUSTIN

Human skull donated to Goodwill store

Police are scratching their heads trying to work out who donated a human skull to a thrift store in Austin.

Homicide Detective Derek Israel said Wednesday that foul play is not suspected and that he just wants to know how the adult skull came to be left at the Goodwill store.

Goodwill store staff discovered the skull while sifting through donations on July 16. A spokeswoman said it could have been gifted up to a week before its discovery.

Update: Schedule for SeptemberFest 2014

Editor's note: In Aug. 28 edition of The Weekender, we included the schedule for the Museum of the Southwest's annual fundraiser SeptemberFest. However, please note the dates of the event are Sept. 6-7.

From staff reports

SeptemberFest, the annual fundraiser for the Museum of the Southwest, is Sept. 6-7 at 1705 W. Missouri Ave.

Star-Spangled Spectacular begins 7 p.m. Sept. 5 with the Preview Party and 8:30 a.m. Sept. 6 with KinderFest Preview Party.

Activities include nearly 100 artist booths, food and beer booths, live music, entrance to the Fredda Durham Children's Museum and the Blakemore Planetarium exhibition space and dome shows, petting zoo, pony rides, rock climbing and magic shows.

The festival hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday and noon-5 p.m. Sunday.

SeptemberFest tickets are $5 for adults and $3 for children, seniors and active duty military personnel.

Schedule

Sept. 6
11 a.m.: Free Dome Show in the Blakemore Planetarium
Noon: Aloha O Hawaii Polynesian Dance Group
1 p.m.: Free Dome Show in the Blakemore Planetarium
1 p.m.: Unsweet Te
2 p.m.: Bronson Chadwick Magic Show
2 p..m: Waco & Julie
3 p.m.: 3-OGs
3 p.m.: Free Dome Show in the Blakemore Planetarium
4 p.m.: Bronson Chadwick Magic Show
4 p.m.: Corbell Blues Band featuring TJ Ballinger
5 p.m. Josh Tatum Band

Sept. 7
1 p.m.: Ernesto Calderon
1 p.m.: Free Dome Show in the Blakemore Planetarium
2 p.m.:Bronson Chadwick Magic Show
2 p.m.: Adam Rivera
3 p.m.: Alberto Madrid
3 p.m.:| Free Dome Show in the Blakemore Planetarium
4 p.m.: Tru-Lite Choir

County hospital board approves proposed tax rate

By Rachael Gleason
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Midland County Hospital District board of directors unanimously approved a tax rate Thursday that's 5.9 percent lower than the last fiscal year.

Still, tax bills could go up for some Midlanders as home values continue to soar.

The hospital's approved tax rate of 11.83 cents per $100 valuation includes 8.68 cents for maintenance and operations and 3.15 cents for debt service and obligation bonds, according to press summary from Thursday's board meeting.

The ad valorem rate is about a 4 percent increase over the effective rate — or the rate needed to generate the same revenue as last year — according to the summary.

Hospital district valuations are up about 9.85 percent from last year, and Steve Bowerman, Midland Memorial Hospital's chief financial officer, expects total taxable values for fiscal year 2015 to be more than $20.8 billion.

Under the proposed rate, Bowerman said a homeowner with a median-value home of $199,550 would pay $236.07 in total property tax to the hospital district next year. Homeowners paid $222.61 in taxes for a median-value home of $177,095 during fiscal year 2013, he said last month.

Midland Memorial tax rate history

Fiscal year	Maintenence	Debt	Tax rate per $100
2010	0.11530	.06600	0.18130
2011	0.11530	0.05103	0.16633
2012	0.11530	0.04690	0.16220
2013	0.09900	0.04073	0.13973
2014	0.09120	0.03450	0.12570
2015	0.08680	0.03150	0.11830

13-year-old drowns in Laredo lake

Associated Press

LAREDO — Authorities say the body of a 13-year-old boy who drowned while swimming in a Laredo lake has been found.

The Laredo Morning Times reported that the boy's body was found floating in Lake Casa Blanca early Wednesday.

Officials identified the boy as Olvin Ivan Madrid Espana. A school district spokeswoman said Madrid was a new student from Honduras and had enrolled Tuesday as an eighth-grader at Christian Middle School.

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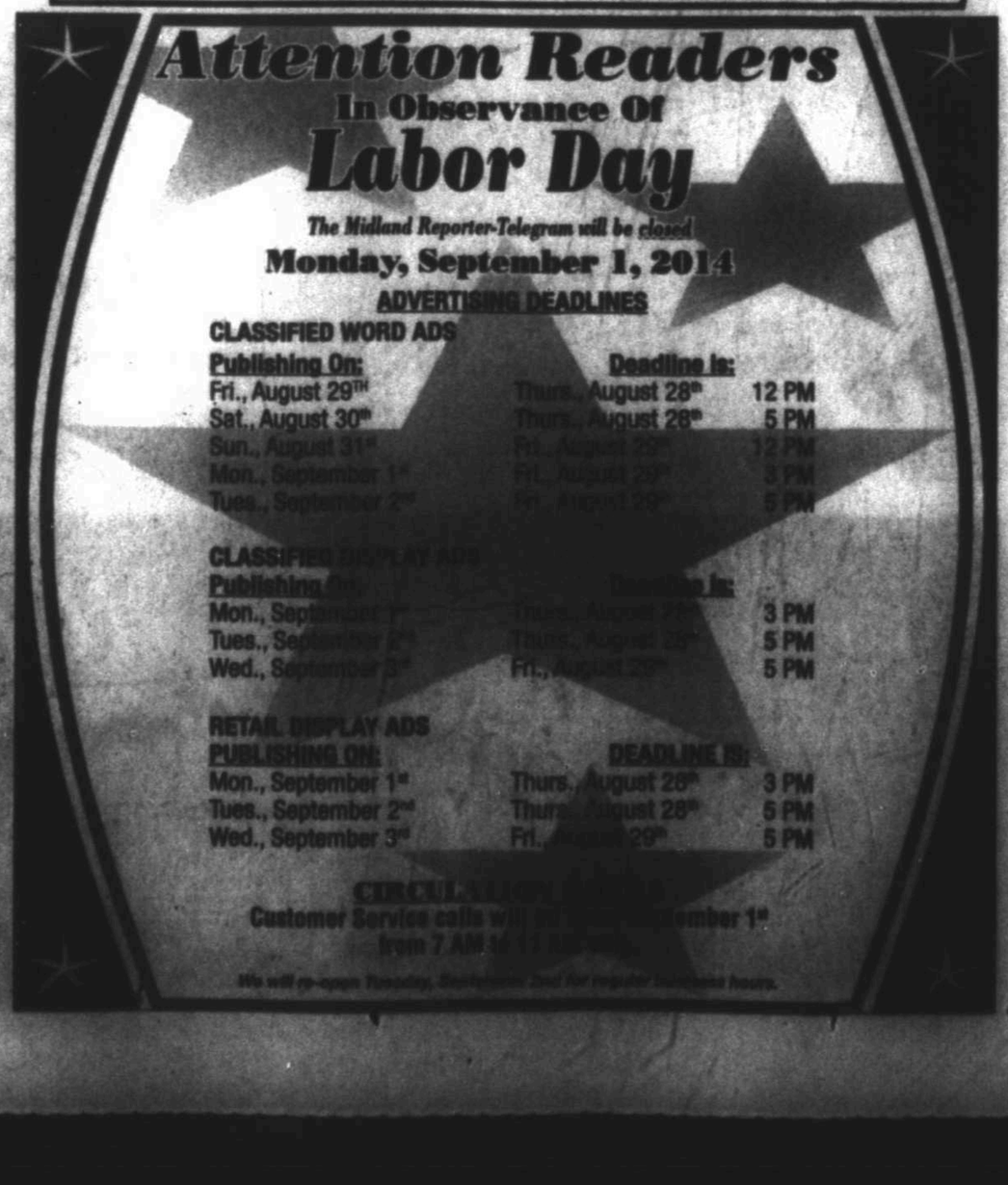

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LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

Leslie Boggs, president of the Texas PTA, left photo, and City Councilman J. Ross Lacy, right photo, speak Thursday about the importance of a strong PTA in schools as Midland and Odessa come together to support the communities with Back the Future PTA campaign. As a part of a statewide Texas PTA initiative, area council PTAs are encouraging Permian Basin residents, whether they are parents or not, to "Back the Future" and join a PTA chapter.

Midland Council PTA partnered with Ector County's council to raise awareness of the membership campaign with a press conference Thursday morning at the Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. PTA membership across Texas is on pace to drop below 500,000 members, while Midland ISD's total membership for all schools is at about 6,000, according to Reporter-Telegram archives.

Texas man gets 20 years in synthetic drug deaths

Associated Press

FARGO, N.D. — A Texas man accused of selling synthetic drugs to customers in every state and distributing the chemicals that resulted in the overdose deaths of two teens in the Grand Forks, North Dakota, area was sentenced Thursday to more than 20 years in prison.

Charles Carlton, 29, of Katy is the 15th and final defendant sentenced in the case that began after 18-year-old Christian Bjerk, of Grand Forks, and 17-year-old Elijah Stai, of Park Rapids, Minnesota, died within a week of each other in June 2012 after ingesting the hallucinogens.

Investigators said that Carlton, a self-described connoisseur of hallucinogens, sold the chemicals to Andrew Spofford of Grand Forks.

Spofford who cooked up the drugs that killed the two teens and sent three other young people to the hospital.

Spofford was sentenced earlier to more than 17 years in prison.

"It all rests on that initial decision to sell drugs for money," U.S. District Judge Ralph Erickson said before sentencing Carlton to 20 years and six months in prison. "It's as bad as it gets."

Carlton pleaded guilty in March to three counts: conspiracy to distribute controlled substances resulting in serious bodily injury and death, introduction and delivery of a misbranded drug and money laundering.

He faced a maximum penalty of life in prison without parole.

SELIGER

From 1A

Transportation Alliance President James Beauchamp reiterated the implications of Proposition 1 for the Midland-Odessa area.

"We need to see that there is a commitment to send a substantial portion back to the areas that generate it," Beauchamp said.

Another issue raised by the audience was the influx of Central American children into the U.S. through the Mexico border. The U.S. Border Patrol has apprehended 62,856 unaccompanied minors in the Southwest in fiscal year 2014 through July. Most of them came from El Salvador.

"Where are they located?" asked one audience member.

Seliger said they are near the border, and then he discussed what the solution should be. He ruled out the possibilities of sending back the children on an airplane or letting them out on the streets and suggested that education should be a priority.

"Because if they're 8 years old or older and not in school, they're going to break into your house and take your stuff," Seliger said. "That's what we know about people who drop out of school and have no access to education in Texas."

He repeated several times during the town hall that border security funding is the federal government's responsibility.

Seliger then claimed public schools need $1,400 per child to teach them a new language but that the federal government funds just $100.

The audience, particularly Beauchamp, switched back to transportation funding by talking about Texas Department of Transportation's budget. Beauchamp noted that 49 percent of TxDOT's budget is set aside for roads and highways and asked Seliger if the Senate Finance Committee will look into the amount the agency allocates. The Amarillo lawmaker is a member of the committee.

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State Sen. Kel Seliger

Seliger said one of the topics the committee will look at is the amount of money TxDOT spends on administration at its Austin headquarters.

"What they do requires a lot of people, and I get that," Seliger said. "Design and construction management of complicated overpasses and things like that are expensive. But keep in mind it's a bureaucracy, and the primary job of any bureaucracy is a preservation of that bureaucracy. And that is what we have to protect against."

Seliger also answered questions from reporters, one of which was about the possibility of a bill coming forward in the 84th Legislature that reforms campaign finance reporting, specifically "dark money," or anonymous campaign contributions to groups that do not report its donors. He said the possibility is "more than likely."

"Let's be honest, dark money, 501(c)(4)s, are a perfect vehicle to allow illegal foreign contributions and permit money laundering," Seliger said.

Empower Texans, a political 501(c)(4) group that does not look favorably at Seliger and vice versa, has been a target of the Texas Ethics Commission. The TEC, which oversees campaign finance reports, is currently drafting rules to require dark money groups, such as Empower Texans, to disclose its donors.

Seliger said he does not know if he will propose campaign finance reporting reform bills in the upcoming session. He said he is not sure if there are enough pro-transparency people in the state Senate. He thinks the next proposal for dark money regulation may be on the federal level.

"Because, you have groups like Empower Texans that are opposed to transparency," Seliger said. "They're getting a lot of people elected, and no one knows where the money comes from because they don't have to report it. It's one thing if you can buy elections, as money has always been important, but when the people don't get to know who's buying the election, then you have a problem."

Seliger's Midland town hall was followed by one in Odessa. The senator has 18 more town hall meetings scheduled through Sept. 30.

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■ Operation HOME Festival at the Horseshoe. thehomefest.com.

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Now movies in Midland

■ At Tall City 14: "How To Train Your Dragon 2"

■ At Big Sky Drive-In: "As Above, So Below"

Club meeting today

Permian Toastmasters 1508, noon, Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, 208 S. Marienfeld; Celeste Perez, 682-2960 or celeste@midlandhcc.com.

Water usage

(Includes deliveries from the Colorado River Municipal Water District, T-Bar Ranch and Paul Davis well fields)

Aug. 20	26,766,000 gallons
Aug. 21	16,079,000 gallons
Aug. 22	23,008,000 gallons
Aug. 23	28,854,000 gallons
Sunday	24,329,000 gallons
Monday	22,817,000 gallons
Tuesday	21,994,000 gallons
Wednesday	29,320,000 gallons

The average CRMWD delivery to the city of Midland for July was 14,901,839 gallons. The current average in August is 16,823,000.

Source: City of Midland

Lake levels

	2012	2013	2014
Ivie	12.87	16.91	17.31
Spence	0.26	5.22	1.56
Thomas	0.73	2.13	1.28

Source: CRMWD

Gas prices

■ **Cheapest gas:** $3.07 (Sam's Club, Tradwinds Boulevard and SH 191)

■ **Most expensive:** $3.45 (Texaco, Florida/Marshall)

■ **Most common price:** $3.29

■ **Cheapest in West Texas:** Lubbock $3.03, Midland $3.07, San Angelo $3.13, Odessa $3.23, Abilene $3.23

	Mid-Od	Texas
Thursday	$3.255	$3.238
Last week	$3.281	$3.262
Last month	$3.458	$3.376
Last year	$3.396	$3.415

Source: TexasGasPrices.com

City auction

Chairs, desks, cabinets and other office furniture are currently for sale in an online auction featuring items currently housed in the previous Midland County Courthouse.

The auction contains items divided into 162 lots and can be found on www.renebates.com until the auction closes on Sept. 8. All items are being sold as-is.

The auction does not include property that will be returned to Midland County or salvaged, as agreed upon by officials at the time of the property's sale to the city. For more information, visit the city of Midland auction online at www.renebates.com.

I-20 resurfacing

A 5.5-mile segment of Interstate 20 in Midland County — between Highway 349 (Big Spring Street) and the Loop 250 east interchange — will get a facelift beginning Tuesday.

This project includes several ramps and has been phased into four sections to minimize impact on traffic and maximize access to frontage roads. Reece Albert will remove the existing pavement surface, make repairs to the driving lane and replace the riding surface. The project is expected to be completed by the first of the year.

During construction, the speed limit will be reduced to 60 miles per hour. Width restrictions of 11 feet will also be in place, which means large loads will have to take alternate routes.

At times, entrance and exit ramps will be closed. Message boards will give advance warning of closures and to offer alternative routes.

Reece Albert won the project with a bid of $8.34 million.

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Pick 3 night: 5-5-5-0
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Daily 4 night: 6-7-7-6
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Today in history

In 1944, 15,000 American troops of the 28th Infantry Division marched down the Champs Elysees in Paris as the French capital continued to celebrate its liberation from the Nazis.

In 1964, Roy Orbison's single "Oh, Pretty Woman" was released on the Monument label.

In 2005, Hurricane Katrina hit the Gulf Coast near Buras, Louisiana, bringing floods that devastated New Orleans. More than 1,800 people in the region died.

Buffett's son buys Rosa Parks archive

Associated Press

DETROIT — Hundreds of items that belonged to civil rights icon Rosa Parks and have been sitting unseen for years in a New York warehouse were sold to a foundation run by the son of billionaire investment guru Warren Buffett, the younger Buffett said Thursday.

Howard G. Buffett told The Associated Press that his foundation plans to give the items, which include Parks' Presidential Medal of Freedom, to an institute or museum he hasn't yet selected. Buffett said the items belong to the American people.

"I'm only trying to do one thing: preserve what's there for the public's benefit," he said. "I thought about doing what Rosa Parks would want. I doubt that she would want to have her stuff sitting in a box with people fighting over them."

A yearslong legal fight between Parks' heirs and her friends led to the memorabilia being removed from her Detroit home and offered up to the highest bidder.

Parks, who died in 2005 at age 92, was one of the most beloved women in U.S. history. She became an enduring symbol of the civil rights movement when she refused to cede her seat on a Montgomery, Alabama, bus to a white man. That triggered a yearlong bus boycott that helped to dismantle officially sanctioned segregation and helped lift the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. to national prominence.

Because of the fight over Parks' will, historians, students of the movement and the general public have had no access to items such as her photographs with presidents, her Congressional Gold Medal, a pillbox hat that she may have worn on the Montgomery bus, a signed postcard from King, decades of documents from civil rights meetings and her ruminations about life in the South as a black woman.

The impetus for the sale came earlier this year when Buffett saw a televised news report about how Guernsey's Auctioneers has kept Parks' valuables in a New York warehouse since 2006.

"I could not imagine having her artifacts sitting in a box in a warehouse somewhere," Buffett said. "It's just not right."

So he directed the Howard G. Buffett Foundation to make an offer, which was accepted. A purchase agreement was signed over the summer, and the transaction was officially closed last week.

Buffett would not disclose the amount he paid for the items, but Steven Cohen, a lawyer for the seller, the Detroit-based Rosa & Raymond Parks Institute for Self Development, said it was "consistent with the intrinsic value of the artifacts and their historical significance."

In addition to medals and letters, the lot includes lamps and clothing. Guernsey's years ago put together a complete inventory, which is 70 pages long and includes more than 1,000 items. Many are in New York, but some remain in Parks' home city of Detroit.

AP file photo

Rosa Parks' Presidential Medal of Freedom, left, and her Congressional Gold Medal are displayed at Guernsey's auction house in New York on March 14. Hundreds of items that belonged to civil rights icon Rosa Parks that have been sitting unseen for years in a New York warehouse have been sold to a foundation run by the son of billionaire investment guru Warren Buffett, the younger Buffett said Thursday. Howard G. Buffett told The Associated Press that his foundation plans to give the items, which include Parks' Presidential Medal of Freedom, to an institute he hasn't yet selected.

RULING

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tion in 2011, prompting more than 600 school districts responsible for educating three-quarters of Texas' 5 million-plus public school students to sue.

They claimed they no longer had sufficient resources to educate students. The lawsuit cited Texas' school enrollment growth of nearly 80,000 students per year due to a booming population and the Legislature's increased demands for standardized testing and lofty curriculum requirements to graduate high school.

Schools in rich and poor areas were on the same side in the case because the Robin Hood system requires districts with high property values to turn over part of what they collect in property taxes to poorer districts. Poor districts said that wasn't enough, while schools in wealthy areas argued that voters often refuse to approve local tax increases they might otherwise support since much of the money would go elsewhere.

Dietz's initial verbal ruling came after 44 days of testimony, but he held off compiling a written ruling, that would start the appeals process. Four months later, lawmakers restored more than $3.4 billion to classrooms and slashed the number of standardized tests required for high school graduation from 15 to five.

Dietz then reopened the case in January, but the new evidence wasn't enough to change his mind.

Rick Gray, an attorney who represented a coalition of 443 suing school districts said he hoped the Legislature will now "once and for all permanently fix the school finance system."

Abbott is running for governor and didn't argue the case, but his Democratic opponent, state Sen. Wendy Davis, has made it a campaign issue.

Davis called the ruling a victory for schools, saying in a statement that, "The reality is clear and indefensible: insiders like Greg Abbott haven't been working for our schools."

Though Abbott's office is appealing, the attorney general himself said Thursday that Texas should "improve education for our children rather than just doubling down on an outdated" funding formula "constructed decades ago." That highlights the difference between Abbott's candidacy and the duties of his job as attorney general.

The issues aren't new. Dietz also found the state school finance system unconstitutional after a lengthy trial in 2004, and similar legal battles have raged for decades.

Education Commissioner Michael Williams said the ruling will have no immediate effect on the way schools statewide are funded, calling it "just a first step on a very familiar path for school finance litigation in Texas."

Reactions to the judge's ruling

Following the news of Judge John Dietz ruling school funding in Texas unconstitutional on Thursday, elected officials and area educators weighed in on the decision. Here are their comments:

Sen. Kel Seliger of District 31 in a press release:

"Today's decision by Judge Dietz comes as no surprise. As a state, we have long struggled with finding the appropriate system to meet our constitutional obligation to fund public education. While increased funding does not necessarily equate to improvements in student performance, the current mechanism by which the funding is distributed clearly needs to be addressed. I will continue to closely monitor the case as it is likely appealed to the Texas Supreme Court and the subsequent decision. In the meantime, I look forward to filing legislation in the next session that will increase district flexibility, reduce the high stakes testing burden on teachers and students, and more precisely align public school curriculum with the expectations of colleges and Texas businesses."

Midland ISD Superintendent Ryder Warren in a press release:

"As the superintendent of MISD, which was a plaintiff against the state regarding our funding system, I applaud the ruling by Judge Dietz. Our funding system has been ruled unconstitutional several times in the last three to four decades, so this ruling will hopefully spur our legislative leaders into action.

As far as the impact for us locally, we will make it a priority to work with our local leaders to develop a system that does not include any type of 'recapture' or 'Robin Hood' provision — thereby allowing local dollars to stay in Midland and help serve our students."

Greenwood ISD Superintendent Ariel Elliott in an interview with the Reporter-Telegram:

"I think it's a step in the right direction. Obviously, it's going to be beneficial to us, both the funding issue and maybe returning to some local control. I'm sure it'll go to the Texas Supreme Court, but it's at least making its way through there, but I don't see (the Legislature) having a plan to fix it really," Elliott said. "I don't think the Legislature has a plan of how to fix school finance. I think that's why it's still in the court. If they knew an answer, they would probably try to fix it."

He continued: "You're kind of at the mercy of whatever the Legislature says, and this lawsuit is trying to help balance some of it out."

Elliott said the Legislature still has a lot of options it can take to help schools in Texas.

"I think the last legislative session tried to be pro-school. They didn't make a lot of decisions on the financial side, but there's been years in the past where I thought, 'Have they ever been to a school?' And so I applaud that they made some changes (like House Bill 5) the last legislative session, so that obviously gives me a little hope that they're making some wise decisions."

Ector County ISD Superintendent Tom Crowe in an emailed statement to the Reporter-Telegram:

"Judge Dietz ruled the school finance system unconstitutional. He has ruled it unconstitutional before. He has now directed the legislature to develop a new system for funding schools, and I hope there will be special consideration for the school districts caught up in the oil boom."

Attorney General and Republican gubernatorial candidate Greg Abbott in a press release:

"Our obligation is to improve education for our children rather than just doubling down on an outdated education system constructed decades ago. In my campaign for governor, I have proposed substantial improvements for our schools that will do a better job of educating Texans while spending tax dollars wisely. My plan will make Texas top-ranked in the nation for education by returning genuine local control to school districts, ensuring all children are reading and doing math at grade level by third grade, and graduating more students from high school than ever before."

State Senator and Democratic gubernatorial candidate Wendy Davis in a press release:

"Today is a victory for our schools, for the future of our state and for the promise of opportunity that's at the core of who we are as Texans. The reality is clear and indefensible: insiders like Greg Abbott haven't been working for our schools; they've been actively working against them. Abbott has been in court for years, defending overcrowded classrooms, teacher layoffs and public-school closings, and today, Judge John Dietz ruled against him. This ruling underscores the crucial need to invest in education and reminds us of just how much our schools, teachers and students have had to sacrifice over the past three years just to get by."

From staff reports

A timeline of Texas school finance court battles

Here's a look at major dates in Texas' school finance debate:

1984: Edgewood Independent School District in San Antonio files a legal challenge arguing Texas' school finance system is inequitable

1989: The Texas Supreme Court throws out the state's school funding law after finding "glaring disparities" between rich and poor school districts.

1993: Days before a court-imposed deadline threatened to close Texas schools, the state Legislature forces school districts in areas with high property values to share their tax collections with poorer districts as a way to fund schools.

1995: The Texas Supreme Court upholds the share-the-wealth system, nicknamed "Robin Hood."

2003: Attorneys for property wealthy school districts argue before the Texas Supreme Court that school funding plan is inefficient and has created an illegal statewide property tax after many districts pushed collections to the legal limit. Nearly 300 other districts eventually join the case and expand its claims against the state to include that the funding system is inequitable and fails to provide sufficient resources.

2004: After a trial involving more than 300 districts, state District Judge John Dietz rules the education funding system unconstitutional and inefficient, and orders the state to halt school spending in October 2005 if problems aren't fixed.

2005: The Texas Supreme Court rules that local property taxes for school funding amount to an unconstitutional statewide tax.

2006: The state Legislature cuts local school property taxes by one-third while allocating more state funding. To ensure no district loses money, lawmakers place minimum funding requirements to districts based on a temporary freeze in the amount of money districts spent per student that year. The temporary freeze is never lifted, however. The Legislature also caps tax rates at $1.17 per $100 of property valuation and lets district choose how much to levy in taxes, giving them "meaningful discretion" over tax rates.

Oct. 11, 2011: More than 360 school districts organized by the Equity Center sue the state, alleging that the school finance system is inequitable because property wealthy school districts often receive more revenue than poorer districts despite levying lower property tax rates. They also allege that school funding is inadequate to meet the state's accountability system.

Dec. 9, 2011: The Texas School Coalition, representing more than 60 property wealthy school districts, files suit charging that state funding is inadequate and that the $1.17-cap on tax rates constitutes an illegal state property tax.

Dec. 13, 2011: The Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund sues, claiming state funding is unfair to districts with a large number of students requiring instruction to learn the English language, and that the system itself is inadequate and inequitable and that the tax rate cap is an illegal state property tax.

Dec. 22, 2011: Sixty-three school districts, including many of the state's largest, file suit claiming state funding is inadequate and the tax rate cap is an illegal state property tax.

Feb. 24, 2012: Texans for Real Efficiency and Equity in Education sues on behalf of five families, asking the courts to address inefficiencies in how state education funding is spent. The influential Texas Association of Business subsequently joins the suit.

June 26, 2012: The Texas Charter Schools Association and six parents file suit, claiming charter schools should have access to public money for facilities and that there should be no limit on the number of charter schools statewide.

Oct. 22, 2012: School finance trial begins in Austin before Judge Dietz.

Feb. 4, 2013: Dietz rules that the school finance system is unconstitutional, finding that it doesn't provide adequate funding and that state funding is not distributed in an equitable way.

Jan. 21, 2014: Dietz convenes second school finance trial to determine whether more money and fewer standardized tests have adequately improved the balance for students in rich and poor areas.

Aug. 28, 2014: Dietz reaffirms school finance system is unconstitutional despite restored funds by the Legislature.

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CRIME BRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Man allegedly tried to steal drill by stuffing it in his pants

A Midland man was arrested Wednesday after he allegedly attempted to steal a drill from Sears by hiding it in his pants.

Clifton B. Curtis, 38, was being held Thursday on a $50,000 bond for the second-degree felony of robbery.

Store security staff observed Curtis on surveillance in the tool department and recognized him from the previous week when he allegedly stole another drill and was able to get away, according to the arrest affidavit.

Security then saw Curtis put the drill in his pants in an attempt to conceal it, according to court documents. Staff made contact with Curtis, who turned over the drill. As they attempted to escort him to the security office, Curtis pushed a security officer, who was injured, according to the affidavit.

Security staff gained control of Curtis, took him to the ground and handcuffed him, according to the affidavit. When police arrived, they arrested Curtis.

If convicted, he faces up to 20 years in prison for the second-degree felony of robbery.

Man allegedly chokes woman

A 24-year-old San Angelo man was arrested in Midland on Wednesday for allegedly assaulting a woman following a verbal confrontation.

David J. DePauw was being held Thursday on a $50,000 bond for the third-degree felony charge of assaulting a family or household member impeding breath.

A Midland Police Department officer was dispatched at about 5:30 p.m. Wednesday to the 2600 block of North Midland Drive in response to a man who had choked a woman, according to the arrest affidavit.

The officer found a woman walking quickly away from a shirtless man, later identified at DePauw, who was yelling and cursing at the woman, court documents state.

DePauw began to approach the officer with his fists balled up in an aggressive manner, at which point the officer ordered DePauw to stop and get on the ground, according to the affidavit. The officer pulled out his pepper spray and again ordered DePauw to stop, but he did not, leading the officer to spray a one-second stream into DePauw's eyes, the affidavit states.

DePauw continued to approach the officer, who took him to the ground using physical strength, according to the affidavit. DePauw was able to stand up, at which point the officer forced him back to the ground, causing a cut on DePauw's chin.

As DePauw and the officer continued the physical altercation, a passerby approached and helped the officer restrain and handcuff DePauw, according to the affidavit. Other officers then arrived on the scene and assisted the officer in getting DePauw into the patrol vehicle.

DePauw continued to resist, and once inside the vehicle had to be placed in foot restraints in order to prevent him from injuring himself or kicking the vehicle, according to the arrest record.

Police transported DePauw to Midland Memorial Hospital where he was sedated and then treated for the pepper spray and cut on his chin.

Following DePauw's arrest officers discovered that DePauw had allegedly choked the woman following a verbal confrontation and then began a physical altercation with two men who tried to intervene.

If convicted of the third-degree felony count of assaulting a family or household member impeding breath, DePauw faces up to 10 years in prison. DePauw was also charged with three misdemeanors stemming from the incident.

Study shows that families' germs travel, move in quickly

By Lauran Neergaard
Associated Press

"Instead of relying on killing bugs to stop the spread of infection, maybe we need to cultivate better bugs."

Dr. Lisa Helbling Chadwick, National Institutes of Health

WASHINGTON — Sorry, clean freaks. No matter how well you scrub your home, it's covered in bacteria from your own body. And if you pack up and move, new research shows, you'll rapidly transfer your unique microbial fingerprint to the doorknobs, countertops and floors in your new house, too.

In fact, researchers who studied seven families in Illinois, Washington and California could easily match up who lived where using their microscopic roommates, almost like CSI for germs.

The study released Thursday is part of an effort to understand how the trillions of mostly beneficial bacteria that live in and on our bodies — what's called the human microbiome — interact with bugs in the environment to affect our health.

"We have so little information about where the microbes come from that shape our microbiome, whether it's for health or disease," said microbiologist Jack Gilbert of the Argonne National Laboratory and University of Chicago.

Where do people spend most of their time? "It's the indoor environment. The best place to look at that was the home," said Gilbert, who led the Home Microbiome Project and included his own family.

Right at birth, babies start picking up microbes on the skin, in the nose, in the gut that eventually make up living communities that will share their bodies throughout life. Many of these bugs play critical roles in digestion, the immune system and other health-inducing factors. Others may make it easier to gain weight or influence disease. What shapes the balance of good bugs and bad is a huge scientific question.

Hospital studies make clear that someone who already is sick can catch a new infection from pathogenic bacteria left behind by a previous patient.

In contrast, the new study examines healthy people, and it marks an important step: beginning to show what's normal in a regular home, said Dr. Lisa Helbling Chadwick of the National Institutes of Health. That's a key question before scientists can explore how to possibly create healthier homes.

"You have to think about the microbiome of your home as part of your home's immune system," said Chadwick, of NIH's National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, who wasn't involved with Gilbert's project. "Instead of relying on killing bugs to stop the spread of infection, maybe we need to cultivate better bugs."

For the study, Gilbert recruited seven households that included 15 adults, three children, three dogs and a cat. For six weeks, participants collected samples of the microscopic bugs living on and around them by swabbing the hands, feet, noses and paws of everyone in the household, plus doorknobs, light switches, floors and countertops.

Back in the laboratory, Gilbert's team identified the bugs by their DNA, and they reported Thursday in the journal Science that people substantially affect the microbial communities in their homes.

Different homes harbored markedly different bacterial populations, but they closely matched the microbiomes of their residents.

The big surprise: how quickly the bugs settled in. Like Pigpen's trailing cloud of dust in the Peanuts comic strip, when three families moved — one of them from a hotel room to a house — it took about a day for the microbes in their new homes to closely resemble those in the old ones.

"The speed at which that colonization happens was quite remarkable," Gilbert said.

Sure, there are some leftover bacteria from previous occupants, he said. But many bacteria die or go dormant after a while on a hard, air-conditioned surface. At the same time, the oil in your skin readily transfers your own bacteria to surfaces. That's not counting all those tiny flakes of dead skin that people constantly shed, microbe-filled dust that probably just blankets the bugs that were there first, Gilbert noted.

"It changed my perspective almost on hotel rooms," he added with a laugh.

In another home, someone went on a three-day trip, and that person's contribution to the usual household microbe mix dropped noticeably.

And dogs moved the bacteria from surface to surface even more rapidly.

As for potentially dangerous bacteria, in one house, the scientists tracked a germ called Enterobacter from one person's hands to the kitchen counter and then to another person's hands. No one got sick, possibly because the residents were healthy and hadn't recently used antibiotics, Gilbert said.

It will take more research to figure out where the different bugs that people and their pets bring into their homes originally come from. And Gilbert pointed to the study's other implication: Maybe people should make sure they're regularly getting outside to expose themselves, and their immune systems, to a wider variety of bugs.

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This undated photo provided by the Gilbert family shows Dylan Gilbert, 7, of Naperville, Ill., demonstrating how he helped collect samples of bacteria from his foot during a 2012 study. Dylan's father, microbiologist Jack Gilbert of Argonne National Laboratory, led the Home Microbiome Project that analyzed bacteria in seven homes around the country, including his own, and found the microbes that normally live in people's bodies quickly move onto their doorknobs, countertops and floors.

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Obama should act on corporate tax rates

■ We know why corporations are moving their headquarters, and the president can do something about it

CHARLES KRAUTHAMMER
Washington Post Writers Group

The Obama administration is highly exercised about "inversion," the practice by which an American corporation acquires a foreign company and moves its headquarters out of the U.S. to benefit from lower tax rates abroad.

Not fair, says Barack Obama. It's taking advantage of an "unpatriotic tax loophole" that hardworking American families have to make up for by the sweat of their brow. His treasury secretary calls such behavior a violation of "economic patriotism."

Nice touch. Democrats used to wax indignant about having one's patriotism questioned. Now they throw around the charge with abandon, tossing it at corporations that refuse to do the economically patriotic thing of paying the highest corporate tax rate in the industrialized world.

Odder still because Democrats routinely ridicule the very notion of corporations as persons. When Mitt Romney suggested this in 2011, Democrats mocked him right through Election Day. In the Hobby Lobby case, they challenged the very idea that corporations can have religious convictions. Now, however, Democrats are demanding that corporations exercise a patriotic conscience. Which is it?

Moreover, corporations have an indisputable fiduciary responsibility to protect their shareholders' interest. Surely Walgreens betrayed this responsibility when it caved to administration pressure and canceled its plans to move its headquarters to Switzerland. The inversion would've saved it billions of dollars. Its cancellation caused an instant 14 percent drop in Walgreens shares.

But the Democrats' problem is deeper. Everyone knows why inversions are happening. America's 35 percent corporate tax rate is absurdly uncompetitive. Companies are doing what they always do: legally lower their tax liabilities.

What is maddening is that the problem is so easily solved: tax reform that lowers the accursed corporate rate. Democrats and Republicans agree on this. After the announcement of the latest inversion, Burger King buying Tim Hortons and then moving to Canada, the president himself issued a statement conceding that corporate tax reform — lower the rates, eliminate loopholes — is the best solution to the inversion problem.

It's also politically doable. Tax reform has unique bipartisan appeal. Conservatives like it because lowering rates stimulates the economy and eliminating loopholes curbs tax-driven economic decisions that grossly misallocate capital.

The appeal to liberals is economic fairness. By eliminating loopholes, tax reform levels the playing field. Today, the more powerful companies can afford the expensive lobbyists who create the loopholes and the expensive lawyers who exploit them. Which is why the nominal corporate tax rate is 35 percent but the effective rate for some of the largest corporations is about 13 percent.

So why not attack the inversion problem with its obvious solution: tax reform? Time is short, says Obama. He can't wait. Instead, he wants legislation to outlaw inversion.

No time? Where has he been? He does nothing about tax reform for six years (during two of which Democrats fully controlled Congress), then claims now to be too impatient to attempt the real solution. Instead he wants to hurry through a punitive anti-inversion law to counterbalance the effects of our already punitive tax rates.

This is nuts. But amusing, given that a major financier of the inversion-celebre of the day, the Whopper-to-Canada deal, is none other than Warren Buffett, Obama's favorite plutocrat.

Buffett's demand that the rich be required to pay more taxes made him a hero to the president. In 2012, Obama repeatedly held up Buffett as a champion of economic justice. What does Obama say today about his 2012 class-war comrade in arms — now become, by Obama's own lights, an economic traitor?

And more such Benedict Arnolds are being minted every week. One of the reasons for the recent acceleration of inversions is that corporations want to move before Obama outlaws it, locking them into America's anti-competitive corporate tax rate.

The Wall Street Journal cited a Buffett confidant as saying he likely wouldn't have backed a deal like Burger King if it were purely for tax reasons. Indeed, there are other considerations that can always be invoked. Which makes some of the contemplated anti-inversion proposals even more absurd: They would outlaw only those mergers done for tax reasons. How do you prove motivation? Lie detectors?

A real political leader would abandon this sideshow and actually address corporate tax reform with a serious revenue-neutral proposal to Congress. There would be hearings, debate, compromises. We might end up with something like the historic bipartisan tax reform of 1986 that helped launch two decades of nearly uninterrupted economic growth.

But for that you need a president.

OPINION EXTRA

Texting-while-driving ban won't affect pedestrians in Austin

KEN HERMAN
Cox Newspapers

Looks like we're headed for an expanded Austin ordinance disconnecting us from our beloved cellphones while driving. Somehow life will go on.

In fact, it might go on longer for some people if this law hits the books.

Council action was possible Thursday on the law requiring hands-free devices in order to use cellphones for pretty much any purpose while driving. As proposed, and after some back and forth, the ordinance would cover drivers and bicyclists but not pedestrians.

Odd, isn't it, that we need laws to tell us not to do stuff we know we shouldn't do. You know you shouldn't text/yak/web surf/email etc. while driving. You do it, however, because of data you've collected, data that show you've done it zillions of times and nothing bad happened. Solid data, bad conclusion.

So we're probably headed for an expanded ban that will cover drivers and bicyclists. An effort to expand the ban, or parts of it, to pedestrians got run over en route to the City Council.

The city's Pedestrian Advisory Council — everyone's got a council — got involved because of the possibility of including pedestrians in the ban. That panel on July 8 issued Pedestrian Advisory Council Recommendation 20140707-6B (Wow, how many recommendations has the council had?) that referred to the city's Distracted Driving Study Group draft recommendations and called for "excluding any language that would apply new regulations to pedestrians."

"The PAC believes the draft language which recommends applying existing ordinances to pedestrians undermines the goal of providing a safe space for pedestrians via the crosswalk," the PAC said in a letter to the Distracted Driving Study Group. "Pedestrians obeying traffic lights at crosswalks have established the right-of-way and our standard as a city must be to protect these vulnerable road users."

In a July 18 memo, Stevie Greenhouse of the city's Comprehensive Planning Division argued against including bicyclists and pedestrians in the new ordinance because that "could deter people from choosing those modes and undermining this vision." The "vision" is the Imagine Austin blueprint that aims to make the city more "walkable and bikeable."

The memo pushed back against those who say cellphone rules should apply to all users of public thoroughfares. Drivers, Greenhouse wrote, "have the greatest capacity to cause injury (and) are least at risk of being injured" and "should bear increased responsibility to ensure the roadway is safe for everyone." Also, according to the memo, concerns about distracted pedestrians wandering into streets where they do not have the right of way are "overstated."

"An ordinance that includes distracted walking obscures the true public safety concern: distracted driving disproportionately affects pedestrians and bicyclists," the memo concluded. "The national data on distracted driving clearly point to drivers as the danger, not people who are distracted while walking or biking."

But bicyclists wound up in the proposed ordinance. In a July 28 memo to the city, Deputy City Manager Michael McDonald said the study group "felt that the city council would be better served by a hands-free ordinance for both motor vehicles and bicycles." The latter was included despite opposition from the city Bicycle Advisory Council.

Though I've seen it as I bike around town, it's hard to believe anybody would bike while talking on a phone or texting. Dumb, right?

And though it looks like we're not going to have a ban on texting while walking, please be careful about that. Let's not give anyone a reason to make another law to ban us from doing something we know we probably shouldn't do.

Ryan puts policy ahead of politics

■ Former GOP vice presidential candidate seems satisfied to produce the blueprint that makes Republicans relevant

CARL LEUBSDORF
Dallas Morning News

Among prospective Republican presidential candidates, Rep. Paul Ryan is unique. He puts policy ahead of politics.

That's not to say the 2012 Republican vice presidential nominee doesn't have a good ear for what plays in GOP politics. But he made clear in a recent breakfast session with reporters sponsored by The Christian Science Monitor and in other interviews that his focus is easing domestic poverty, an issue he has spent weeks, if not years, exploring.

If Ryan becomes chairman next year of the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee as expected, his first priority would be a tax overhaul designed to reshape the pattern of federal spending, while giving the GOP a more positive image heading into 2016.

"We need to define ourselves by what we are in favor of just as much as what we're opposed to," he said Sunday on CBS' "Face the Nation."

Ever since Mitt Romney selected the 44-year-old Wisconsin congressman as his running mate, there has been speculation about a 2016 presidential bid, even though defeated vice presidential nominees have mostly lost subsequent White House bids and no House member has been elected president since 1880.

But at the breakfast, Ryan seemed neither interested in discussing 2016 nor concerned about the possible head-starts of potential rivals.

"I've consciously decided not to think about my personal ambitions or personal career moves," he said. "The fact of it is that I'm focusing on policy right now, the problems we have in front of us. And in 2015, at the appropriate time, (wife) Janna and I will sit down and have the proper deliberations and conversations."

His vehicle is the antipoverty plan he proposed shortly before Congress' August vacation and which he spells out more completely in his new book, "The Way Forward: Renewing the American Idea."

He says his plan does not cut the $800 billion the federal government spends on programs for the poor but that it would consolidate 11 into a single "opportunity grant" that states would decide how to spend, subject to federal approval. The plan also would expand the earned income tax credit, which encourages the poor to work.

But it has encountered some of the same liberal criticism — and even organized protests on his book tour — as his controversial 2011 budget did: It hurts poor people and gives too much say to states that often provide an insufficient social safety net.

Though Ryan's proposals made him a controversial budget chairman, he has reached out to Democrats, notably teaming last year with Sen. Patty Murray, D-Wash., on a two-year budget that ended two years of partisan wrangling.

On most issues, Ryan's views seem similar to potential GOP presidential rivals. Though he has long favored immigration reform, he agreed it can't be done now "because of the demonstrated distrust of the president in enforcing the laws." He joined other Republicans to oppose extending the Export-Import Bank, calling it "representative of some of the crony capitalism we have in Washington."

He denounced White House warnings against a possible impeachment move against President Barack Obama as "a ridiculous gambit by the president and his political team to try and change the narrative, raise money and turn out their base for an upcoming election, which they feel is not going to go their way."

He backed the GOP leadership suit aimed at curbing Obama, but added he did not think the president's alleged misdeeds meet impeachment's "high crimes and misdemeanors level."

And on "Face the Nation," he called Texas Sen. Ted Cruz's 2013 drive to shut down the government over Obamacare "a suicide mission."

Neither there nor elsewhere has Ryan ruled out seeking the presidency.

But he gives the impression that he might be happier drafting a policy agenda for the next Republican administration — and then trying to help it pass.

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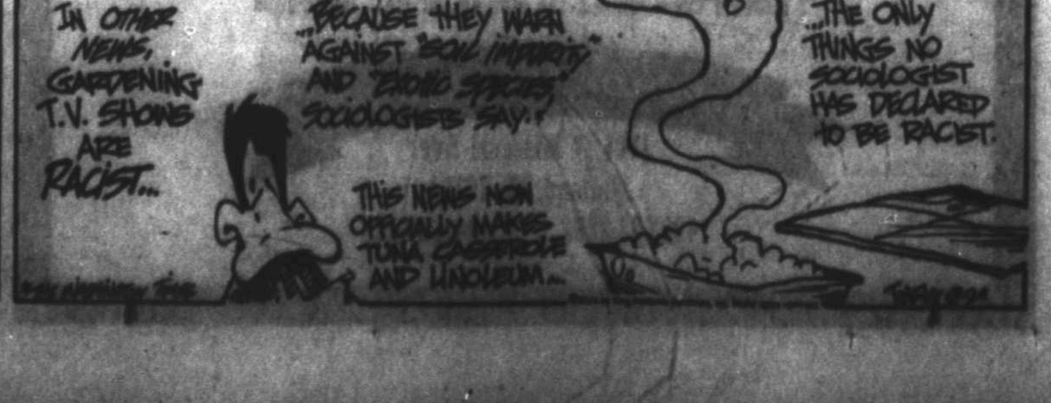

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WASHINGTON

Obama touts revised economic growth numbers

New evidence of economic growth is heartening and underscores that companies are investing and consumers are spending, President Barack Obama said Thursday.

"There are reasons to feel good about the direction we are heading," the president told reporters at the White House.

Obama said he still wanted to push Congress to take more action to move the economy along.

The government on Thursday said the U.S. economy grew at an annual rate of 4.2 percent in the April-June quarter. The figures represented a reversal from the first quarter of the year when the economy shrank at a 2.1 percent annual rate. The growth figure represented an upward revision from earlier estimates.

"Our economy actually grew at a stronger clip in the second quarter than we originally thought," Obama said during an appearance in which he also addressed the conflicts in Iraq, Syria and Ukraine.

LOUISIANA

Gov. Jindal sues feds over Common Core

BATON ROUGE — In a move certain to bolster his national standing with conservatives, Republican Gov. Bobby Jindal sued the Obama administration Wednesday, hoping to strike a blow against the controversial Common Core education standards and raising his profile as he builds a likely presidential campaign.

Jindal's lawsuit accuses the Department of Education of illegally manipulating federal money and regulations to force states to adopt Common Core by dangling $4.3 billion in grants and policy waivers that encouraged them to adopt uniform standards and testing.

"The federal government has hijacked and destroyed the Common Core initiative," Jindal said in a statement. "Common Core is the latest effort by big government disciples to strip away state rights and put Washington, D.C., in control of everything."

While even supporters of the lawsuit question its likelihood for success, the legal challenge represents a new attack on the multi-state standards, with Jindal at the forefront of the dispute between conservatives and President Barack Obama.

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LEFT: U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, delivers a speech Aug. 8 to 2014 Red State Gathering attendees in Fort Worth. RIGHT: In this Aug. 8, 2014 photo Gov. Rick Perry pauses as he addresses attendees Aug. 8 at the convention.

Texas abuzz about possible Perry-Cruz 2016 battle

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Two Texans, one White House. Is the 2016 Republican campaign trail big enough?

After plummeting from prime contender to political punchline three years ago, Gov. Rick Perry has spent months gearing up for a second run. And he's turned his recent indictment on felony abuse-of-power charges into a campaign rallying cry.

But even as Perry works to convince conservatives that he'll be better at coping with the national spotlight this time, he's increasingly bumping up against his state's junior senator, tea party darling Ted Cruz, whose firebomb approach on Capitol Hill has grassroots activists clamoring for him to make a White House run.

The prospect of a two-Texan presidential tilt is dominating political conversation in the state, even outshining a fiercely contested governor's race. Perry's preparations have long been obvious, while Cruz is working to raise his profile beyond just the far-right base and insert himself into the presidential conversation.

Asked about the 2016 prospects of both, Jim DeMint, president of the conservative Heritage Foundation, replied, "I think Cruz even more than Perry right now."

Though he's not endorsing either yet, DeMint added, "Ted has become really the national conservative leader."

Cruz and Perry are addressing this weekend's gathering of Americans for Prosperity, the powerful group backed by the billionaire industrialist Koch brothers. Cruz has made himself the star of such events, sometimes introduced as "our next president."

At a recent national gathering organized by the conservative blog RedState, hundreds of attendees bowed their heads to pray for him, calling Cruz an instrument of God's will.

Cruz says "time will tell" if he joins the presidential race. Perry has made no secret he's seriously considering a run.

Two Texans haven't competed for the presidency since George H.W. Bush and Ross Perot in 1992. Things got testy that time, as the New England-born incumbent had his true-Texas credentials questioned by the billionaire Dallas businessman, with his exaggerated twang and outlandish axioms like, "If someone as blessed as I am is not willing to clean out the barn, who will?"

"I think they're both running. They probably don't like me saying it," said Texas Republican Party chairman Steve Munisteri, who noted that Texas' March 1 presidential primary in 2016 should make it the first to vote among large states, and could leave only one Texan standing.

Both, meanwhile, would be competing at least to start for the same slice of the Republican base, the religious and social conservatives energized by an intense mistrust of President Barack Obama.

Some Texas donors are already bracing for the prospect. "I'd be splitting dollars, no question," said George Strake Jr., a former Texas secretary of state and Perry 2012 donor who also served as Houston finance chairman for Cruz's Senate campaign. "It's going to split up a lot of people who used to give to the same one, or who maybe even used to be friends."

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BOOGIE DOWN Dance for Africa, 7-11 p.m. Sept. 13 at St. Stephen's Catholic Church Gloria Denman Ballroom. africanbridgesofhope.org.

READY TO RACE American Cancer Society Relay for Life, 6 p.m.-midnight Sept. 13 at Midland College. relayforlife.org/midlandtx.

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GOOD NEIGHBORS

GOLFING FOR BUCKNER The ninth annual Buckner Golf Classic, presented by K.C. Pipe, is Sept. 8 at Green Tree Country Club. The event benefits Buckner Children and Family Services in Midland, which is part of Buckner International, a ministry dedicated to children and families.

There will be a raffle and prizes for top teams, hole-in-one, longest drive and closest to the pin. For more information, contact Kendra Lovelady at 214-758-8017 or klovelady@buckner.org.

MDA SUPPORT Albertsons Market locations, run by The United Family, are supporting the Muscular Dystrophy Association during its 16th-annual Aisles of Smiles campaign, in partnership with Acosta Marketing and manufacturers. The stores are donating a portion of guest proceeds through Monday to MDA's research to find treatments and cures for muscular dystrophy and other neuromuscular diseases.

Who do you think is a good neighbor? Do you know of an individual, usiness or organization that recently has made a significant contribution to the community through service, support or kindness? Report good deeds to Megan Buck at mbuck@mrt.com for inclusion in this space.

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CAR ACCIDENT Steven Rojo and his family were involved in a recent accident in Odessa. Friends and family have set up an account for the family accessible at any branch of SouthWest Bank. Donations may be made to Letecia Rojo FBO Steven Rojo.

FOOD BANK CONTEST Alon Brands is donating a total of $100,000 to 10 regional organizations this summer. To help the West Texas Food Bank win up to $30,000 download the new ALON Loud-ths-Code app and vote daily through Sept. 30.

KIDS FIRST Centers for Children and Families is in need of volunteers for its Kids First program, a supervised visitation and exchange program for conflicted families. For more information, call 570-1064 or visit centers4cf.org.

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The Martinez family — from left, Teressa, Madilyn, Meya, Joey, Julian — pose in front of their home, which was built by Habitat for Humanity.

A HOME OF THEIR OWN

Habitat provides kids 'a place where they can grow up'

Editor's note: Midland Habitat for Humanity recently dedicated its 123rd home in the area and broke ground on a new project that is planned to provide 54 new Habitat homes to the community. With the vast amount of work done by the organization and its volunteers, it is easy to lose sight of those individuals whose lives are profoundly impacted. This is the last in a three-part series profiling Habitat homeowners in Midland.

By Steve Kuhlmann
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While it usually means that someone is in trouble, Midlander Teressa Martinez gains a certain sense of joy in telling her kids to go to their rooms.

Teressa and Joey Martinez, who previously had shared one room with three children, refuse to take for granted their home and the luxuries that it affords them.

"Being in one room you realize that you take a lot of things for granted, like having company over or quality time with your significant other," said Joey Martinez. "Having that (ability) in this house is the best memory that I've had personally. Some people get tired of company, but I enjoy it."

When Martinez first met his future wife and her two oldest children nearly five years ago, she had already reached out to Habitat for Humanity about applying for a home, but she didn't have any luck.

"I had applied once on my own," Teressa Martinez said. "It was just me and my two oldest kids, and we were living in a really bad apartment. It was roach-infested; it was awful. When (the Habitat representative) came out and visited with us, they told me that there were people who needed it more than (us)."

When she married Joey Martinez, they moved into a trailer at Airline Mobile Home Park. The arrangement, however, wasn't meant to be, and the family was forced into a difficult situation.

"(The owner) sold it out from under our feet, and she gave us a three-day notice to leave," Joey Martinez said. "This was when the oil really started spiking, so there was nowhere to live. Even if we did find something, we couldn't afford it. I, at the time, didn't work in the oilfields and didn't make oilfield money, so I couldn't afford it. We applied for apartment after apartment after apartment and couldn't get in."

With nowhere else to go, the family moved in with Teressa Martinez's mother. The family of five would spend nearly two years living in that spare bedroom.

During that time, the couple applied for a Habitat home but were rejected again because their combined income barely exceeded the maximum allowed. Martinez persuaded his wife to give the application process one more try, though she was tired of hearing no and hesitant to get up her hopes again.

"(Teressa) didn't want to apply, but I just told her that if they say no, then we're just

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Inaugural HOME Festival raises support, awareness for veterans

By Steve Kuhlmann
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The inaugural HOME Festival will bring performers such as Roger Creager and Reckless Kelly to the Horseshoe this evening and all day Saturday.

The acronym for Honor Our Military Everywhere also represents the festival's focus on veterans who have returned home after serving overseas.

Festival founder Kenneth Gilbreath, a U.S. Army veteran, said the event was created with the main purpose of bringing awareness to the reality of post-traumatic stress disorder.

"Not everyone understands that we're so accustomed to the world over there, wherever we were, that once we come back, the change is so different," Gilbreath said. "We're not used to civilian life, and a lot of soldiers have a real hard time going from not knowing if you're going to make it through the next 30 seconds to going somewhere with large crowds. It can mess with you in a lot of ways and some soldiers aren't ever able to transfer over."

Gilbreath said that he — like many veterans — has felt the impact of PTSD, which inspired him to pursue the festival as an avenue of informing the community and supporting the veterans.

Thankful for the "great support system" of his family, Gilbreath said that not all veterans who have been touched by PTSD are so lucky.

"A lot of times what people don't understand is that it can be hard for a soldier to talk to his family or his friends, but when we come back from combat it's a lot easier for us to talk to soldiers who have been there because we have that common bond," Gilbreath said.

While the proceeds of this year's festival will be going toward the nonprofit veterans support organization BrothersKeepers, future festivals will help to fund the HOME Center, planned for Odessa.

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> **Kenneth Gilbreath,** HOME Festival founder

"Whether it's soldiers or families, they can come in 24 hours a day, no wait," Gilbreath said. "All they (will) have to do is call us and somebody will be there to talk to them, whether it's a soldier or a counselor. We want people to have that access, even if they just want to go and hang out with other soldiers and maybe drink a beer or play pool."

In the meantime, Gilbreath said representatives from the Midland Vet Center will be bringing a trailer to the festival and will be available for anyone who needs to talk.

"If you call the VA hospital and say that you need to see somebody and you have PTSD, you're looking at about two weeks' time before you can see somebody," Gilbreath said. "That's just too long."

In addition to the live music, Gilbreath said that the festival will offer several family-friendly attractions as well such as a "jumper, slides and face painting."

Host Bryan Doty will also be on hand to share the stories of several veterans who will be honored at the festival.

Gilbreath emphasized that everyone involved in the event deeply believes in its cause.

"We're not in this for the money; everybody that's doing this is a volunteer," Gilbreath said. "We just want the guys to come out and enjoy everything."

General admission tickets to the event will be $30 for one day or $50 for two days. There will be half-price admission for veterans and active and reserve military personnel with proper ID.

For more information, visit www.thehomefest.com.

FUMC brings Cuban pastor to establish Hispanic ministry

By Steve Kuhlmann
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First United Methodist Church took a big step toward establishing a Hispanic ministry earlier this month when it brought the Rev. Moisés Isla to Midland from Cuba.

"We started this process almost two years ago and it was only recently that all of the visa and legalities got worked out," said the Rev. Tim Walker, senior pastor at First United Methodist. "We wanted to do this because there is a rapidly growing Spanish-speaking and English-speaking Hispanic population growing in Midland. (The church) felt like there was a pocket of folks that we would like to get to know, enjoy and benefit from the vibrance of their faith. The Cuban church has been through 50 years of revolution and persecution and the intensity of their faith is something that we like."

Isla, a Cuba native, began preaching 44 years ago at the age of 14 and has served as a full-time pastor — for a time leading the nation's largest Methodist church — for the past 30 years.

"When I got saved, I began to preach and to share my testimony and preach the Gospel as an evangelist all over the country," Isla said. "It was the call of God that inspired me to become a minister. I was sharing that I am not a pastor because my

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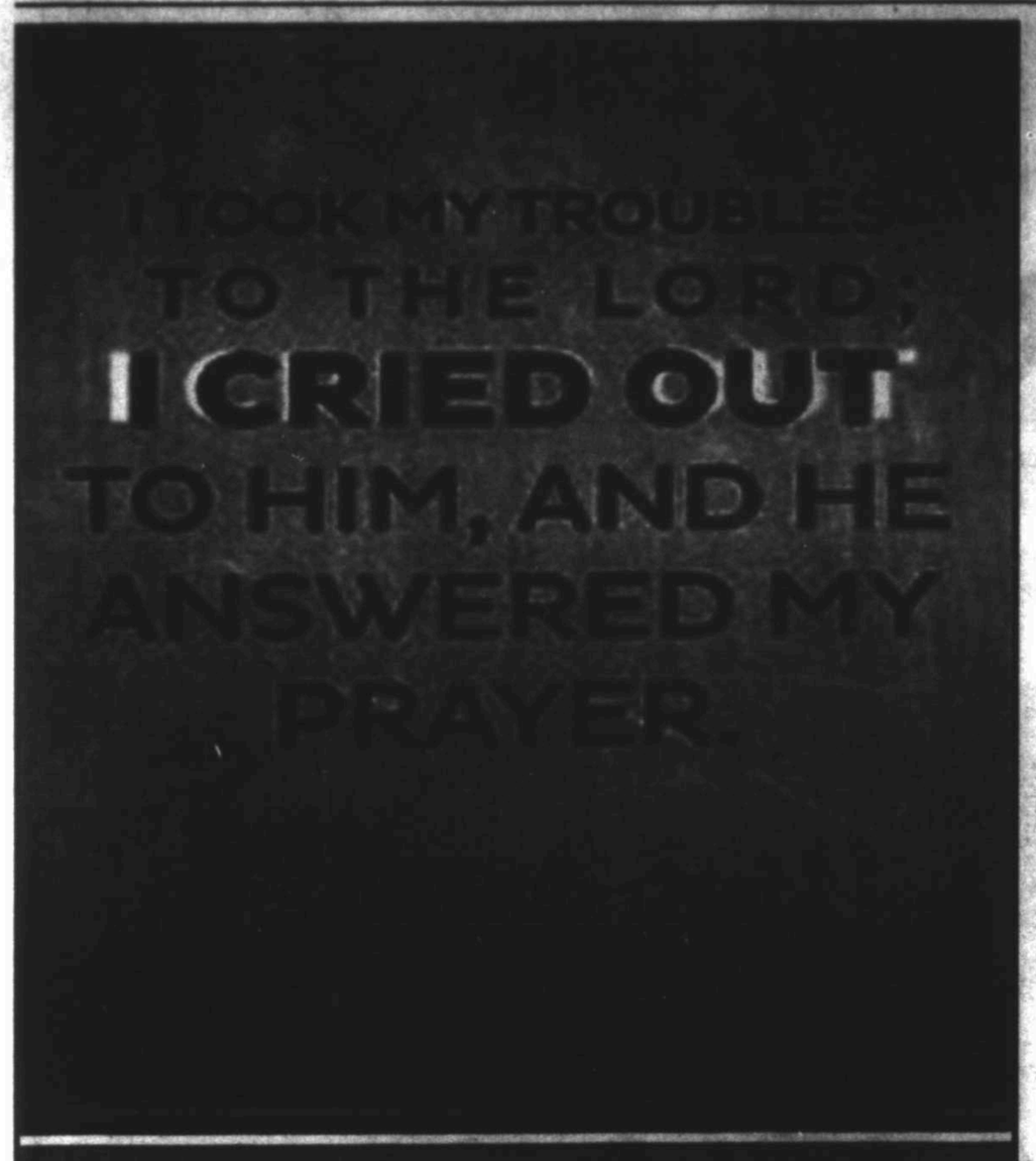

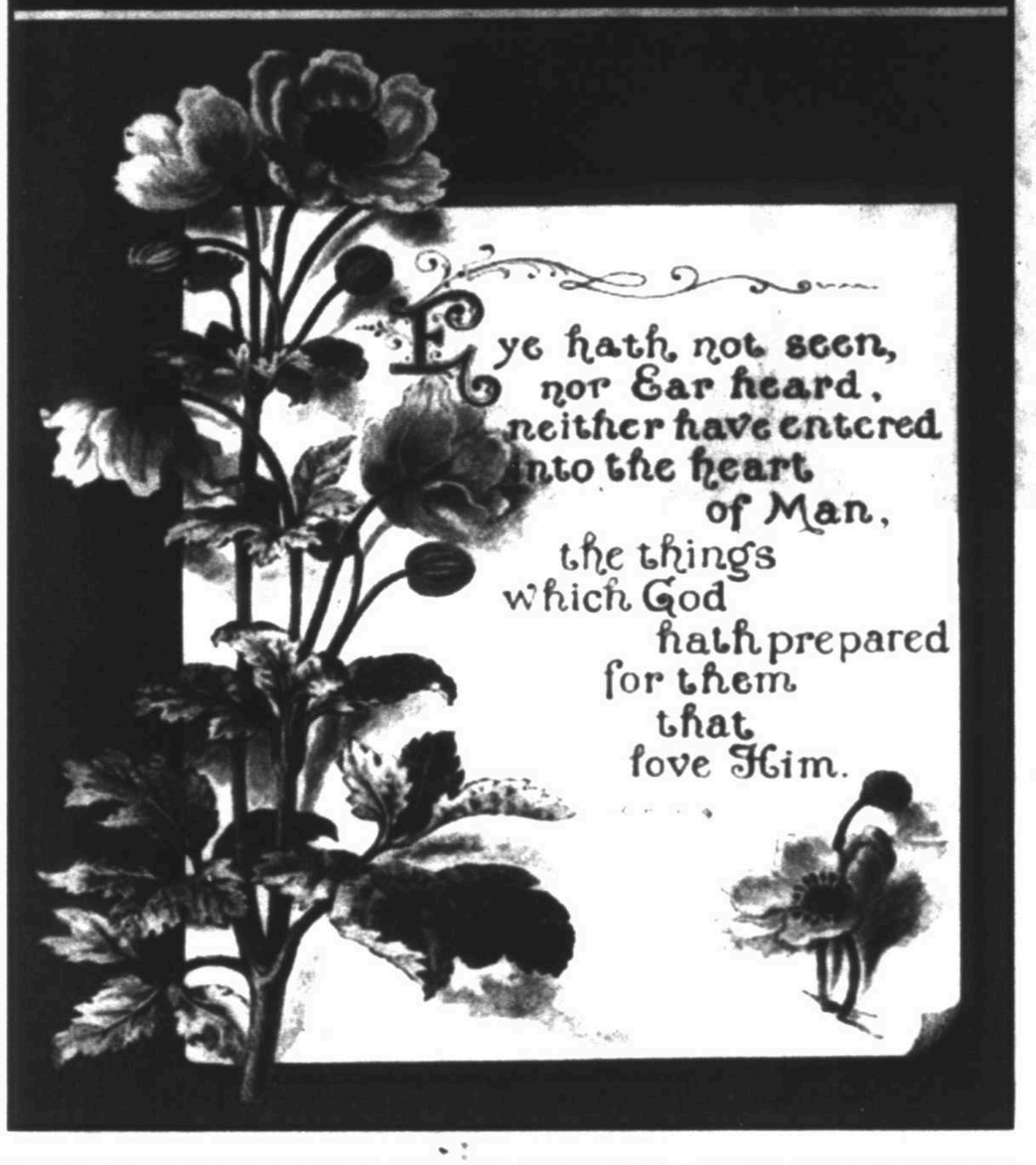

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Midland Christian Fellowship
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Footprints Redemption Church
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New Day Christian Fellowship
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Rock Fellowship Church
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432-684-6542

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Seventh Day Adventist Church
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Midland Spanish Seventh Day Adventist Church
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Iglesia Bautista El Buen Pastor
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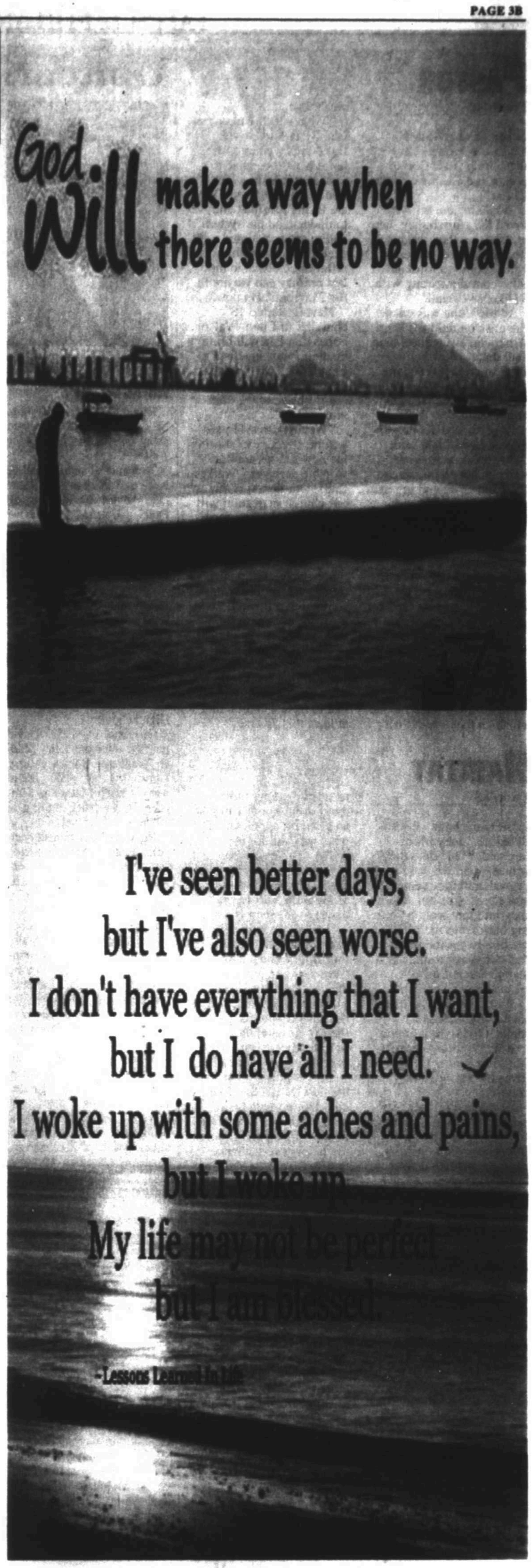

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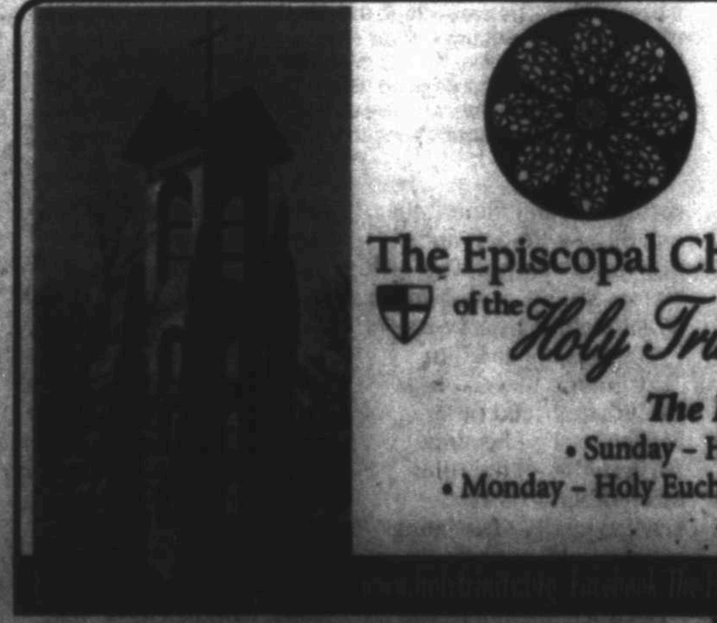

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PASTOR

From 1B

father was a pastor; I'm a pastor because I have the calling from God to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ."

While he and his wife loved the church they were at, Isla said they ultimately decided to accept the call to come to Midland after communicating with Walker via email.

While Cuba was once the mission field for American evangelists, Isla said that he now believes that America has become a mission field itself, particularly among the Hispanic community.

"I'm excited about serving the Lord," Isla said. "That is our main goal, to reach people, to spread the good news and to raise a Hispanic church within this English-speaking church. We are praying and fasting and doing our best, counting on God. Even though here we have so many resources, we continue to rely on God for everything."

A resident of Midland — and the United States — for less than a month, Isla and his wife are still adjusting to life in a nation quite different than the one in which they spent their entire live.

"We are trying to do our best," Isla said. "I visited this country many times, but it is not the same to visit as it is to live. To live is quite different. We are trying to adjust and to understand the system and to get acquainted with everything. Everything is different, Cuba is in the last century and we are in the 21st (century) now."

Having started 18 churches in Cuba, Walker hopes that Isla will bring his flair for evangelism to First United Methodist as the church tries to reach out further into the community.

"We think that Moisés will be effective in starting the new groups and the worship services," Walker said. "Our dream is that our church in general will have more of a presence in the Hispanic community. We know that we'll be worshiping once or twice a week in Spanish (and) we'll probably have something bilingual. Then, also, all of the programs that go with it — in terms of Christian education, discipleship, children and youth. I don't know that it's a unique goal. We'd like to have a church that's at least this diverse."

HABITAT

From 1B

in the same boat we were in before," Joey Martinez said. "This time they actually said we were approved, and they came out and checked us out, and they said that we'd be hearing back from them. When we finally got the letter in the mail, (our youngest) started screaming 'We got a house!' again and again."

When people ask how the family managed to make it for so long living in a single room, Teressa Martinez said she often gives the expected response.

"It made us closer," she said. "You can't go through something like that with someone without getting closer. I feel like it was worth it; everything happens for a reason. It made our family stronger and taught us to lean on each other more."

While transitioning from a single room to a three-bedroom house did take some adjustment, Teressa Martinez said the rewards have made all the difference.

"When we first moved in, I loved to be able to say 'Go to your room!' because we didn't have that for a while," she said. "I don't know where we'd be right now without Habitat. Honestly, I'd hate to say still at my mom's ,but I don't know. I'm just so grateful, appreciative of what they did for us."

The couple said one of their favorite memories was when they first brought the kids to the house to see their rooms.

"I think we enjoyed surprising them because they didn't know that we were going to move in the day we were," Teressa Martinez said. "(Joey) took the day off, and we painted their rooms and then brought them home when everything was done. They were so excited. That was the best thing I feel like we could have given them."

The children take pride in showing off their rooms to visitors every chance they get, Teressa Martinez said.

"Every time someone comes over, even if they've been here three or four times, my son (will) tell them to come and see his room," she said. "He's always showing it off and, of course, by monkey-see, monkey-do, (the girls) drag them to their (room), too."

Joey Martinez said that more than anything, the home has given the family a sense of stability in "knowing that this is where we're going to live for the rest of our lives and that my kids have a place where they can grow up."

Cambrian Management donates to local nonprofits

From staff reports

A local business has shown its support for the work done by nonprofit agencies by making a contribution to three local agencies.

Cambrian Management on Wednesday donated a total of $100,000 to Christmas in Action, Reel Wives and Food 2 Kids. The funds were raised through the company's annual charity golf tournament in June.

"We have been so blessed by the Permian Basin, this is our way of giving back," said Aleesha Morales of Cambrian Management. "Of course, none of this would have been possible without the hard work of the Cambrian staff, and the generous support of the sponsors and players."

This is the fourth year the company has hosted the golf tournament, and Morales said this year's tournament's was the most successful to date.

The previous three tournaments benefited Christmas in Action and Reel Wives, but this year's success allowed the company to bring in a third charity to support, Morales said.

"There are still a lot of kids that need to be fed," Morales said. "With more kids coming into the Permian Basin, we want to be able to help them as much as we can."

Pope removes key Benedict XVI protege

Associated Press

VATICAN CITY — Pope Francis has removed a key protege of Emeritus Pope Benedict XVI from the Vatican's liturgy office and sent him back to his native Spain.

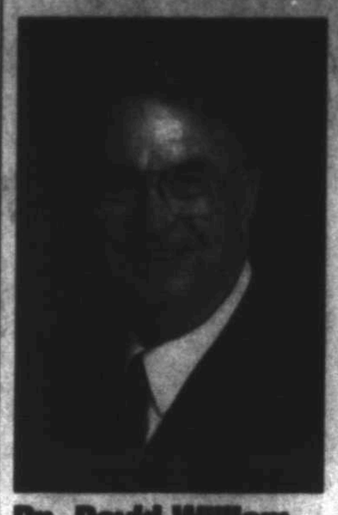
In 2008, Benedict appointed Cardinal Antonio Canizares Llovera as prefect of the Congregation for the Divine Worship and Discipline of the Sacraments.

The office is in charge of regulating how Masses and other sacraments are celebrated, and under Benedict's papacy took on a more conservative and traditional bent.

Francis, who favors a less traditional style and has chafed at some Vatican liturgical rules, on Thursday named Canizares Llovera archbishop of Valencia, Spain.

No replacement was named.

Obituaries



Dr. David William Hamblin, Sr.

David William Hamblin, Sr., 84, of Abilene passed away on August 26, 2014, in Abilene.

A memorial service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 30, 2014, at St. Paul United Methodist Church, Abilene, Texas, with the Rev. Felicia Hopkins, Rev. Ava Berry, and Rev. Bill Libby officiating.

Arrangements are with The Hamil Family Funeral Home, 6449 Buffalo Gap Road, Abilene.

David was born in Paris, Texas, to Emory E. Hamblin and Mable Irene Biffle Hamblin on May 27, 1930. He attended Shallowater High School.

On June 14, 1953, David married Wanda Lee Todd. He graduated from McMurry University in 1953. David was a United Methodist Minister for 44 years, retiring in 1995.

He served his ministry appointments in Shep/Wingate; Eula/Potosi/Rogers; Blackwell; Sunray; Fairpark (Abilene); Trinity (Snyder); O'Donnell; Memphis; Littlefield; Aldersgate (Abilene) and Muleshoe. He also served as District Superintendent of the Big Spring District; and the Lubbock District. From 1986 - 1995 he served as the Senior Pastor of St. Paul United Methodist Church (Abilene).

While a minister in the Northwest Texas Conference, David served many organizations. Among them, he served as the Secretary of the Minimum Salary Commission, Board of Evangelism, Board of Ordained Ministry, Vice Chairman/Conference Relations, Chairperson Board of Ordained Ministry, Board of Managers for Local Pastor's Course of Study at SMU Perkins School of Theology, and South Central Jurisdictional Board of Ordained Ministry.

David was awarded the Texas Methodist College Association named scholarship in 1982, by McMurry University. He also was awarded the Doctor of Divinity Degree in May, 1982, by McMurry University. He was Chairperson of the South Central Jurisdiction Committee for Volunteers in Mission Program. He served as Trustee at McMurry University, and while there he was a member of the Executive Committee and Secretary of the Board.

Other organizations that he served include the Executive Committee of Methodist Hospital (Lubbock), Trustee at Sears Memorial Methodist Center (Abilene), and Chair of Hope Haven (Abilene).

David was also very active in each community in which he lived. Some of those organizations include Lions Club, Volunteer Fire Departments in Sunray & Memphis, Texas. He chaired a housing project in Memphis and was the President of the Littlefield Chamber of Commerce and the President of the Abilene Association of Congregations as well as serving as a Member of the Board of Directors of United Way.

David had a passion for woodworking, playing golf, and his family.

David is preceded in death by his parents; and a brother, Leslie Hamblin.

He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Wanda Lee Todd Hamblin; his children, Bill Hamblin and his wife Sharla of Littlefield, Patty Rogers and her husband Richard of Abilene; a sister, Janie Baldwin and her husband Robert of Kerrville; six grandchildren, Lindsay Hardee and her husband Brent of Waxahachie, Shea Cantu and her husband Abel of Littlefield, Crystal Lightbody and her husband Steve of Dallas, Bradley Hamblin and his wife Lauren of Stanton, Casey Marchbanks and her husband Matt of Abilene, and Todd Rogers of Abilene.

He is also survived by six great-grandchildren: and many nieces and nephews.

David's six grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

The family of David Hamblin wishes to extend our sincere thanks to the Staff at Windcrest Health Care, St. Paul United Methodist Church along with all the friends and family who have helped.

Memorials may be given to St. Paul United Methodist Church, 525 Beech Street, Abilene, Texas, 79601, or McMurry University, McMurry Station, P.O. Box 938, Abilene, Texas, 79697.

Online condolences may be posted at *www.HamilFamilyFuneralHome.com.*

George Laval Umfress, Jr.

George Laval Umfress, Jr. was born in Stanton, Texas, September 22, 1974 and left the confines of this life on earth August 27, 2014. He was a graduate of Lee High School in Midland and was employed by Honda of Midland as a salesman.

He was welcomed into this world by a large close knit family and his parents George Laval (Cotton) Umfress, Sr. and Jeanette Chamness Umfress McGowan.

He was preceded in death by his father, Cotton Umfress of Odessa; his maternal grandfather, Doyce Ray (Ace) Lee of Loraine; and his paternal grandparents, Benjamin and Goldie Umfress.

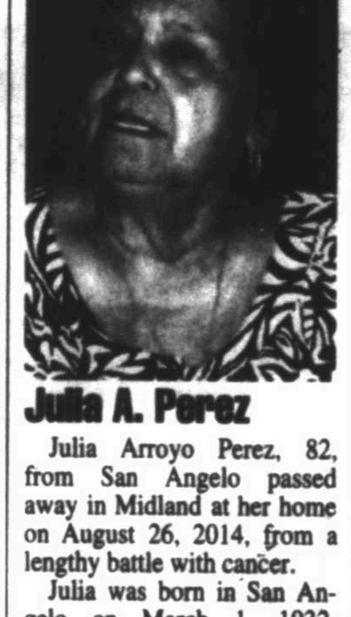
He is survived by his mother of Midland; his grandmother, Mildred Lee of Loraine; his step mother, Joyce Umfress of Odessa; a sister, Mindy of Midland; a brother, Shawn of Ft Stockton; three nephews; and many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends who will miss him every day.

Laval was an outgoing person with a ready smile who never met a stranger. He was generous to a fault as he would do his best to help any lost or hungry soul he encountered. His first love has always been cars but he loved singing and playing Texas Hold 'Em poker and as a result, he was blessed with a large group of friends that he loved dearly.

Funeral services are pending with Kiker-Seale Funeral Home in Colorado City, Texas.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the Midland Food Bank in honor of Laval.

Today there is rejoicing in heaven as he is greeted with open arms by those who have gone before him.



Julia A. Perez

Julia Arroyo Perez, 82, from San Angelo passed away in Midland at her home on August 26, 2014, from a lengthy battle with cancer.

Julia was born in San Angelo on March 1, 1932, where she attended St. Mary's Catholic School and graduated. She met the love of her life Jesse F. Perez and married him on January 31, 1949; they were married sixty-five years.

Julia enjoyed family trips to San Juan National Basilica, cooking, and baking her lemon pies for her family, along with doing her crossword puzzles. She loved her grandchildren dearly and helped raise them along with the great grandchildren, and great great-grandchildren.

She was a devoted catholic and a member of San Miguel Archangel Catholic Church.

Julia is preceded in death by her daughter, Michelle Perez; grandson, Mike Mancha from Midland, Texas; her sisters, Margaret Hernandez and Elena Arroyo; her parents, Juan and Juanita Arroyo of San Angelo, Texas.

Julia is survived by her husband, Jesse F. Perez; daughters, Susan Hignojoz, Mary Ramirez and husband Jesse of Midland, Texas; sons, Richard Perez and wife Carla of Sweetwater, Texas, Brian Perez and wife Cherelle of Midland, Texas; eight grandchildren; twenty-four great grandchildren; seven great great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews whom she adored very much.

Family is welcomed on Friday, August 29, 2014, at Ellis Funeral Home.

A visitation will be held at 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, September 1, 2014, at Ellis Funeral Home, with a rosary beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 2, 2014, at San Miguel Archangel Catholic Church, with Father Bernard officiating. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery.

The family of Julia Perez wishes to thank Hospice of Midland and Meals on Wheels, and everyone who has supported the family at this time.

Pallbearers: Jesse James Perez, Chris Perez, Jacob Perez, Brian Perez, Richard Mancha, and Jason Lewis.

Honorary Pallbearers; Stephanie Mancha and Jackie P. Armenta.

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

Death Notices

Daury Dea Garrison Cockrell Booth

Daury Dea Garrison Cockrell Booth, 78, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, August 26, 2014, at her residence.

Graveside funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, August 30, 2014, at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Friday, August 29, 2014, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Survivors include her husband, Rondy H. Booth; one sister; two brothers; one son, Donnie H. Cockrell; one daughter, Debra Denise Cockrell-Ellis; three stepchildren, Rhonda Dunaway, Jeri Barker, and Sandy Smith.

TV host, filmmaker William Greaves dead at 87

Associated Press

NEW YORK — William Greaves, the Emmy-award winning co-host and executive producer of a groundbreaking television news program and a prolific filmmaker whose subjects ranged from Muhammad Ali to the Harlem Renaissance to the black middle class, has died at age 87.

Greaves died Monday at his Manhattan home after a prolonged illness, according to his granddaughter, Liani Greaves.

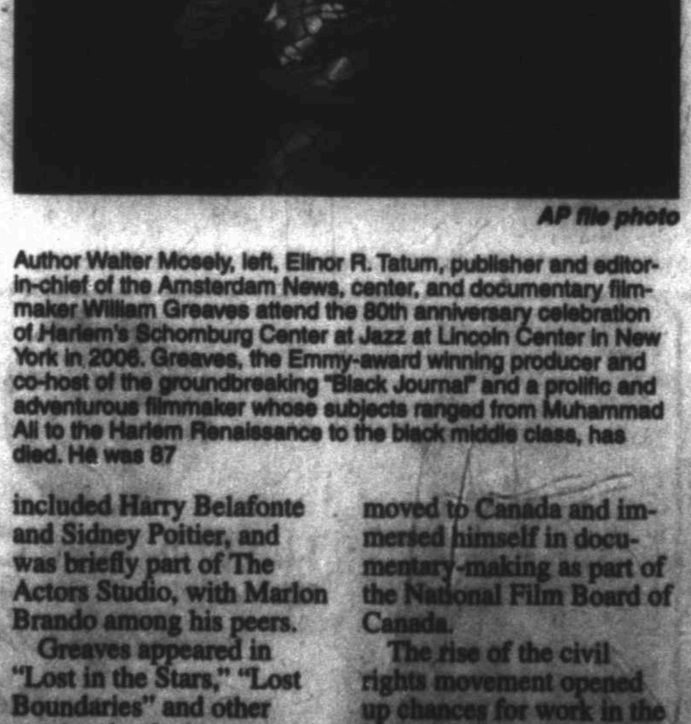
A minister's son born in New York City, Greaves had a diverse background that included drawing, acting, dance and engineering. He leaves behind a vast film archive of black art and culture.

Greaves made hundreds of movies, and in the 1960s, he served as co-host and executive producer of "Black Journal," among the first TV news programs designed for a black audience. "Black Journal" won an Emmy in 1970 for excellence in public affairs.

He studied engineering at City College of New York, but dropped out to pursue a career in the performing arts. He joined the American Negro Theatre, where fellow members included Harry Belafonte and Sidney Poitier, and was briefly part of The Actors Studio, with Marlon Brando among his peers.

Greaves appeared in "Lost in the Stars," "Lost Boundaries" and other movies, but he became frustrated with the roles offered black performers, especially after being asked to play a porter in a Broadway revival of "Twentieth Century." He moved to Canada and immersed himself in documentary-making as part of the National Film Board of Canada.

The rise of the civil rights movement opened up chances for work in the United States, and in the early '60s, he returned and formed William Greaves Productions. His notable documentaries included "Still a Brother: Inside the Black Middle Class" and "From These Roots," about the Harlem Renaissance.



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Author Walter Mosely, left, Elinor R. Tatum, publisher and editor-in-chief of the Amsterdam News, center, and documentary filmmaker William Greaves attend the 80th anniversary celebration of Harlem's Schomburg Center at Jazz at Lincoln Center in New York in 2006. Greaves, the Emmy-award winning producer and co-host of the groundbreaking "Black Journal" and a prolific and adventurous filmmaker whose subjects ranged from Muhammad Ali to the Harlem Renaissance to the black middle class, has died. He was 87.

In 1966, at the request of the United States Information Agency, he traveled to Senegal and filmed the First World Festival of Negro Arts, which featured Duke Ellington and Langston Hughes, among others. He also made the experimental "Symbiopyschotaxiplasm: Take One," what he called a "cosmic comedy" about a director (Greaves) facing a rebellion from his cast and crew. A cult favorite admired by Steven Soderbergh, "Symbiopyschotaxiplasm" was filmed in the late 1960s, but wasn't released until 2005.

One of Greaves' most widely seen productions was "Ali, the Fighter," a documentary about the 1971 championship fight between Ali and Joe Frazier, a 15-round bout won by Frazier. In a 1991 interview with The Associated Press, Greaves recalled that his biggest challenge was getting the boxers to forget he was there.

"When Ali finally caught up with the film, he was amazed," Greaves said. "He said, 'How did you get that?' 'You shot this?' He was involved with his own life, and he didn't know what we were doing."

Teachers union sues over voucher program

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Saying it has reached a "tipping point," Florida's teacher union, along with other groups, filed a lawsuit Thursday aimed at ending one of the nation's largest private school voucher programs.

The lawsuit filed in Leon County contends that a program that serves 60,000 students primarily from low-income families violates the state's constitution by creating a parallel education system and by directing tax money to religious institutions. Most of the schools that utilize the vouchers in the nearly $300 million program are religious.

Those involved in the lawsuit, including the Florida Education Association, the NAACP, and the groups that represent school boards and school association, argued that the program was draining money away from existing public schools and the children that attend them.

"The public school system has been decimated," said Dale Landry, citing cutbacks in the number of hours that children spend inside a classroom. "We need to go back and reinvest in our public school system."

Backers of the popular program, as well as prominent Republicans who have supported its expansion, decried the lawsuit and its potential impact on the families who rely on it.

"It is unconscionable that trial lawyers and unions have ganged up to use these children as a political ploy," said Gov. Rick Scott in a statement. "Quite simply, this careless action could have terrible consequences on the lives of Florida's poorest children, who with the help of this program have a chance to escape poverty."

Then-Gov. Jeb Bush Florida set up the first program that awarded vouchers to children attending low-performing schools. The state Supreme Court ultimately declared it unconstitutional, saying it violated a requirement that the state had a "paramount duty" to have a uniform and high quality system of "free public schools." A lower court had also ruled it unconstitutional on the grounds it violated a provision that says "no aid" may be given by the state to religious institutions.

But Bush and the GOP-controlled Legislature created other voucher programs, including the tax credit scholarship program that is the target of the lawsuit. It allows businesses to get credits on their state tax bills if they donate to an organization that hands out private school vouchers to children in low-income families.

Since 2001, the Legislature has expanded the program several times, including this past year when it expanded the income eligibility standards. Starting in 2016, middle income families may also qualify.

Ron Meyer, a lawyer representing the FEA, said many people were willing to accept the program when it was an "experiment" but its continued expansion has prompted groups to act.

This is the second lawsuit filed by the FEA this year that could impact the program. In July, the teacher's union filed a separate lawsuit challenging the way the latest tax credit expansion became law during the session. It hasn't yet been heard in court.

The FEA and other groups announced their lawsuit from the union's Tallahassee headquarters. Outside, about 50 students attending private schools in the area gathered with pastors and others to criticize the legal challenge. They said the program helps students who needed an alternative to public schools.

CALENDAR

Coming soon

September

DINNER AND GAMES First Wednesday Dinner and Game Night with face painting for the kids, 6 p.m. Wednesday at St. Nicholas' Episcopal Church. www.stnicksmt.org. 694-8856.

CLASS Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University nine-week course, 7 p.m. Wednesday at First Assembly of God Church. 684-4613.

REHEARSALS Choir rehearsals resume Wednesday at The Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity. 683-4207.

MUSIC CLASSES Musikgarten fall semester begins Wednesday at The Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity. holytrinity.org.

FAIR AND EXPO Permian Basin Fair and Exposition, Sept. 5- 13 at the Ector County Coliseum. permianbasinfair.com.

MINISTRY SIGN-UP Rally Day following 9:30 a.m. worship service, Sept. 7 at St. Nicholas' Episcopal Church. www.stnicksmt.org. 694-8856.

CLASSES Sunday morning education hour for children youth, and adults resumes, 9 a.m. Sept. 7 at The Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity. 683-4207.

BANQUET Mission Adult Day Care's Grandparents of the Year banquet, 7:30-9 p.m. Sept. 9 at Midland Center. missionads.com.

BENEFIT Dance for Africa, 7-11 p.m. Sept. 13 at St. Stephen's Catholic Church Gloria Denman Ballroom. africanbridgesofhope.org.

RACE American Cancer Society Relay for Life, 6 p.m.-midnight Sept. 13 at Midland College. relayforlife.org/midlandtx.

FOOTBALL REGISTRATION Stonegate Fellowship Flag Football League registration deadline, Sept. 18. Season begins Oct. 4. 770-2202.

RIDE American Legion Riders Post 119 John G. Hyde Memorial Ride for a Cure for Cancer, 11 a.m. Sept. 20 at DoubleTree by Hilton. 559-8713.

DINNER Murder Mystery Dinner for PDAP, 7 p.m. Sept. 25 at Midland Country Club. 685-3645.

FAIR AND CARNIVAL St. Ann's Family Fair, Sept. 25-28 at St. Ann's Catholic Church and School. stannfamilyfair.org

Race Run to the Fair, 8 a.m. Sept. 27 at St. Ann's Catholic Church and School. stannfamilyfair.org

RACE Runnin' Fur Rescues Fun Run/Walk 5K, 9 a.m. Sept. 27 at Midland College. Benefits Lone Star Sanctuary for Animals. lonestarsanctuary.org.

October

LUNCHEON United Way Women's Leadership Council's "Power of the Purse" with Jenna Bush Hager, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Oct. 2 at Midland Country Club. unitedwaymidland.com.

CLAY SHOOT SHOOT for Great Futures clay shoot to benefit Boys and Girls Club, Oct. 3 at Jake's Clays. basinkids.org.

FUNDRAISER Tour de Vine, 6:30 p.m. Oct. 16 at Midland Center. marchofdimes.com.

LUNCHEON Pink the Basin luncheon, Oct. 30 at the Horseshoe. pinkthebasin.com.

November

ANNIVERSARY Permian Basin Area Foundation 25th Anniversary Reception, 5-7 p.m. Nov. 6 at Petroleum Club. pbaf.org

RACE Kick for Kenya 1K, 5K and 10K, 8:45 a.m. Nov. 8 at Golf Course Road Church of Christ. Benefits Kenya Widows and Orphans ministry. kwoministries.org.

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

Governor: Utah should defend anti-polygamy law

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Utah's governor says the state should appeal a court ruling that favors the family on the TV show "Sister Wives" and strikes down key parts of a law criminalizing polygamy.

Republican Gov. Gary Herbert said Thursday at his monthly televised news conference on KUED that state laws should be defended in court until all appeals are exhausted.

For now, it appears to be legal in Utah for people to legally marry one person and live with others they consider spouses. Though that practice was illegal until a judge's ruling that was finalized Wednesday, police and prosecutors in Utah have long declined to criminally charge consenting adults in plural marriages.

The lack of enforcement may have influenced U.S. District Judge Clark Waddoups' decision, Herbert said, but the law should stay on the books.

"I think it's probably not good policy and good practice for families to have that kind of a situation, so that's my own provincial view of traditional marriage," Herbert said.

A federal judge on Wednesday finalized a ruling in favor of the TLC reality TV stars Kody Brown and his four wives, deciding that the law forbidding cohabitation violates their right to religious freedom.

Utah Attorney General Sean Reyes' office said in a statement Wednesday that attorneys are reviewing the ruling and expect to make a decision on an appeal in the coming weeks.

The Brown family's attorney Jonathan Turley says the state has 30 days to submit a notice of appeal in the case.

There are an estimated 38,000 people who call themselves fundamentalist Mormons and practice or believe in polygamy, according to the polygamy advocacy group Principle Voices. Most of them live in Utah and other Western states.

Utah's bigamy law was stricter than the laws in 49 other states, making it illegal to even purport to be married to multiple partners or live together. Most bigamy laws prohibit people from having multiple legal marriage licenses. The judge left in place that portion of Utah's bigamy law.

The practice of polygamy is a legacy of the early teachings of the Mormon church. The mainstream Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints abandoned polygamy in 1890 as Utah moved toward statehood. Today, it strictly prohibits the practice.

AP file photo

Kody Brown poses with his wives at one of their homes in Las Vegas in 2013. A federal judge in Utah has issued a final ruling that strikes down parts of the state's anti-polygamy law, in a lawsuit filed by a family that appears on the TV show "Sister Wives." Kody Brown and his four wives sued Utah in 2011 after a county prosecutor threatened to charge them under the state's bigamy law.

Pope to honor WWI dead next month

Associated Press

VATICAN CITY — Pope Francis will honor the dead from both sides of World War I during a visit next month to northern Italy that witnessed some of the decisive final battles of the conflict — and where his own grandfather battled.

On Sept. 13, Francis will lay a wreath at the Austro-Hungarian cemetery in Fogliano di Redipuglia, near Gorizia on Italy's border with Slovenia. He will then celebrate Mass at the nearby Fascist-era memorial to 100,000 Italian dead.

The Vatican said Thursday that Francis would pray for the victims of all wars during the visit, his main commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the start of World War I.

While Italy was technically part of the Triple Alliance with Austria-Hungary and Germany at the start of the war, it remained neutral until declaring war on Austria-Hungary in May, 1915 after a series of secret negotiations with Britain and France.

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KMID	ABC	5	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Shark Tank		20/20		KMID News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:05) News Nightline
KOSA	CBS	7	7	7	7	7	7 News	Ent. Tonight	CSI: Crime Scene "The Fallen"		Hawaii Five-0 "Pa'upa'u Kanaka"		Blue Bloods "The Truth About Lying"		CBS 7 News	(:35) David Letterman	(:35) Craig Ferguson
KWWT	CW	5	14		5	14	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Gilligan's Island	Happy Days	Hogan's Heroes	Welcome Kotter	The Odd Couple	The Odd Couple	Twilight Zone	Mason "The Case of the Romantic Rouge"	Dragnet
KPEJ	FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Masterchef "Top Seven Compete"		Bones "The Turn in the Urn"		Modern Family	Modern Family	The Arsenio Hall Show	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother
KMLM	IND	11	11	12	11	11	Biblical Israel	Update News	Shepherd's Heart		Light of the Southwest Best of Week				Upside News	BAS Presents	Walking Dead
KWES	NBC	9	9	9	9	9	News-West 9	NewsWest 9 Now	Running Wild With Bear Grylls		Dateline NBC Featuring quality investigative features and stories.				NewsWest 9 at 10	(:35) Jimmy Fallon	(:35) Seth Meyers
KPBT	PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Wash. Week (N)	Just Seen It (N)	American Masters "Dorothea Lange: Grab a Hunk of Lightning" (N)				Charlie Rose (N)	BBC News	Tavis Smiley
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FLIX		340	65		165		(5:30) The Boys		The Boys		Manchester Vallens L. Peterson.				(:05) The 13th Warrior		Strike Force
HBO		300	68	14	14		(5:00) Veronica ...		Leftovers "Cairo"		The Leftovers		Jonah (N)	Ja'mie	Hard Knocks "14		True Blood
HBO2		302	69	15	101	23	(:20) Knocking to Lose Too Fast...								Beyonca (:05) Williams		Granny
HBOS		304	70	16	102		(:55) Parade's End 5/5		Nome "Death Mask"						Enough Said		Pitch Perfect
MAX		310	71	17	120	24	(4:30) Prisoners		The Knick		The Knick (:50) The Knick				(:50) Hyperdrive (2013, Fabio)		Movie
MAX2		312	72	18	122		(:15) The Faculty	Jordana Brewster			Escape Plan Sylvester Stallone.				We're the Millers		Femme
PLEX				96			(5:10) Clean Slate		American Anthem		(:40) Iron Eagle IV Louis Gossett Jr.				(:20)		Lil Cid's Rules!
SHOW		320	66	19	140	25	(6:15) The Kings o...		Masters "Asterion"		Mean to Brag (N)		Scary Movie Ashley Tisdale.			Masters "Asterion"	Donovan
TMC		336	67	22	155	26	(6:20) Save the Date		Sahara Matthew McConaughey.						(:05) Walking		Alex Cross Matthew Fox.
A&E		27	32	28	35	47	Criminal Minds "God Complex"		Criminal Minds "The Good Earth"		Criminal Minds "The Apprenticeship"		Criminal Minds "The Fallen"		Criminal Minds "The Wheels on the Bus..."		Criminal Minds "The Good Earth"
AMC		40	21	23	42	51	(6:00) Jurassic Park		The Lost Daughter (97, Dra) Susanna Simon, Richard Chamberlain.							Ocean's Eleven George Clooney.	
BET		58	26		40		Apollo Live		Apollo Live		Apollo Live		Apollo Live		Apollo Live		Wendy Williams
BRAVO		65	63		41		(5:00) Scary Movie...		American Pie 2 (2001, Comedy) Shannon Elizabeth, Alyson Hannigan, Jason Biggs.							Scary Movie 2	
CNBC		46	45		39	72	American Greed		Marijuana Inc		Factories "Bacardi"		Factories "Frito Lay"		Restaurant Startup		Restaurant Startup
CNN		43	24	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		Death Row Stories		Death Row Stories		Death Row Stories		Death Row Stories
DISC		50	20	31	24	42	Bering Sea Gold		Dredged Up (N)		Bering Sea Gold (N)		Airplane Repo (N)		Sea Gold "Gold Luck"		Repo "Repo Rat Race"
DISNEY		56	27	36	25	36	Austin	Dog Blog	Girl	Girl	Girl	Girl	I Didn't	Liv/Mad	Dog Blog	Dog Blog	Dog Blog	Dog Blog
ESPN		32	29	48	31	30	NCAA Football BYU vs. Connecticut (L)						Scoreb.		NCAA Football UNLV vs. Arizona (L)		
ESPN2		34	28	49	32	31	ITF Tennis U.S. Open Site: USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center (L)								H.S. Football De La Salle vs. Jesuit (L)		
FAMILY		53	54	34	42	33	(5:30) The Last Song Miley Cyrus.				Ella Enchanted Anne Hathaway.				The 700 Club	Fresh P.	Fresh P.
FNC		45	58	53	23	55	On the Record		The Kelly File				Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor	The Kelly File	
FOOD		64	59	27	68	54	Diners...	Diners, Dr.	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Eat USA	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...
FSSW		37	43	50	45	29	Insider (N)	Pre-game (L)	MLB Baseball Texas Rangers at Houston Astros Site: Minute Maid Park -- Houston, Texas (L)						Rangers Live (L)	Football Friday (L)	SportsDay High School (L)	
FX		31	31	59	64	69	(6:30) 21 Jump St...										Avatar
HALLMARK		54	49	58		34	Waltons "The Pin-Up"		Waltons "The Attack"		Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV		63	50	26	48	44	Love It or List It, Too		Love It or List It, Too		Love It/ List It (N)		HouseH	House	HouseH	House	Love It or List It, Too	
HISTORY		71	62	29	50	43	American Pickers		Pickers "Pinch Picker"		American Pickers		American Pickers		(:05) Pickers		Pickers "Pinch Picker"	
LIFETIME		28	25	25	28	48	(5:00) To Be Announced		The Ugly Truth (2009, Comedy) Gerard Butler, Bree Turner, Katherine Heigl.						Killers (2010, Action) Katherine Heigl, Tom Selleck, Ashton Kutcher.		The Ugly Truth Katherine Heigl.	
MSNBC		47	51		49	73	Hardball		All In With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		MSNBCDocumentary		MSNBCDocumentary		MSNBCDocumentary	
NBCSN		38	39				IndyCar Auto Racing		MLS Soccer Houston Dynamo at Sporting Kansas City (L)				Auctions America "Burbank" (N)					
NICK		55	34	39	34	37	Sam Cat	Sponge	Haunted Hathaways		F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE		30	22	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Birth of a Rivalry		Jail	Jail
SYFY		66	64	41	57	67	(5:00) Mega Pytho...		WWE Smackdown! (N)				Wizard Wars		Almighty (N)		Defiance: Lost Ones	
TBS		25	11	44	66	41	Sein. "The Mom		Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy			The Change-Up (2011, Comedy) Ryan Reynolds, Olivia Wilde, Jason Bateman.		It's Complicated	
TCM		41	61	24	63	66	(5:45) Journey Int...		Portrait of Jennie				(:45) Duel in the Sun ('46, Wes) Gregory Peck.				The Third M...	
TELE		20	8	10	20		Caso cerrado		Reina de Corazones		En otra piel		El señor de los cielos		Al rojo (:35) Titular.		En otra piel	
TLC		51	33	32	38	52	Yes to the Dress	Say Yes to the Dress	Four Weddings "... and a Go-Kart Race"		Four Weddings "... and a Rock Club" (N)		Four Wedding "Bests and Blunders" (N)		Four Weddings "... and a Rock Club"		Four Weddings "Bests and Blunders"	
TNT		24	23	40	26	50	Castle "The Squab and the Quail"		The Last Samurai ('03, Dra) Tom Cruise. An American in 19th-century Japan embraces the samurai culture he was hired to eliminate.						Legends "Lords of War"		Franklin & Bash "Love is the Drug"	
TVLAND		49	48	35	54	35	Griffith	A. Griffith	Griffith	(:28) Griffith	Queens	Queens	(:25) King of Queens		Queens	(:35) Ray	(:10) Ray	(:50) Ray
USA		26	30	42	27	49	NCIS "Brothers in Arms"		NCIS "In the Dark"		Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern "Chirp"	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Covert Affairs "Sensitive Euro Man"	
WGN		19	18				America's Funniest Home Videos		(:10) MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at St. Louis Cardinals Site: Busch Stadium -- St. Louis, Mo. (L)						Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother

Court overturns convictions in Amish hair attacks

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Personal conflict, not religion, was the driving motive behind beard- and hair-cutting attacks targeting Amish, an appeals court panel ruled Wednesday in overturning the hate-crime convictions of 16 men and women.

A 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals panel sided with arguments brought by attorneys for the Amish defendants, who were convicted two years ago in five attacks in 2011. The attacks were in apparent retaliation against Amish who had defied or denounced the authoritarian style of Sam Mullet Sr., leader of the Bergholz community in eastern Ohio.

In a deeply divided decision, two of the three judges on the panel concluded that the jury received incorrect instructions about how to weigh the role of religion in the attacks. They also said prosecutors should have had to prove that the assaults wouldn't have happened but for religious motives.

"When all is said and done, considerable evidence supported the defendants' theory that interpersonal and intra-family disagreements, not the victims' religious beliefs, sparked the attacks," the judges wrote.

They said it was unfair to conclude that "because faith permeates most, if not all, aspects of life in the Amish community, it necessarily permeates the motives for the assaults in this case."

Church leaders, "whether Samuel Mullet or Henry VIII, may do things, including committing crimes or even creating a new religion, for irreligious reasons," they wrote.

Mullet has served nearly three years of his 15-year sentence, while seven other men in the community are serving between five and seven years in prison.

The other eight Amish convicted in the attacks either already served one year in prison and have returned to their communities or are about to be released from two-year sentences.

Defense attorney Wendi Overmyer, who represents the Amish, said she likely would be seeking the release of Mullet and the seven other men as the government considers its appeal options.

"Sam and the rest of the defendants pose no danger to the community, they don't pose a flight risk," she said. "They're needed at their homes."

U.S. Attorney Steven Dettelbach said prosecutors are "reviewing the opinion and considering our options."

"We respectfully disagree with the two judges who reversed the defendants' hate crime convictions based on a jury instruction," he said. "We remain in awe of the courage of the victims in this case, who were subject to violent attacks by the defendants."

Amish, who live in rural communities organized around bishops, dress and live simply and shun many aspects of the modern age such as electricity, refrigeration and computers. They don't drive and often get around in horse-drawn buggies or by paying drivers to shuttle them places.

They believe the Bible instructs women to let their hair grow long and men to grow beards once they marry. Cutting it is considered shameful and doing so forcibly is considered offensive.

In a strong dissenting opinion of the 6th Circuit's Wednesday ruling, Judge Edmund A. Sargus, Jr. wrote that religion was a clear motive for the 2011 attacks and that the hate-crime convictions were appropriate, especially against Mullet.

Sargus quoted several statements made by Mullet acknowledging his religious motivations, including in an interview with The Associated Press in which he said that the goal of the hair-cutting was to send a message to the Amish community and that he should be allowed to punish people who break church laws.

The convictions of members of the Bergholz community marked the first involving religion under a federal hate crime statute enacted in 2009 in response to the murders of Matthew Shepard because he was gay and James Byrd Jr. because he was black.

Attorneys for the Amish defendants have argued that the statute was meant for egregious offenses motivated by race, sexual orientation and religion, not for what their clients did.

"The impetus behind the hate-crime statute, the Matthew Shepard tragedy and James Bird — those are heinous, egregious, tragic crimes, and I think in responding to those crimes, (the statute) is a little overbroad, and I think it can have an effect that perhaps Congress didn't intend," Overmyer said. "This is a really good case that exemplifies where that line can be drawn of what is a hate crime and what is not a hate crime."

The ruling will make it more difficult for federal prosecutors to obtain hate-crime convictions, because the court made it clear evidence must show the crime was based solely on religious hatred, said Ric Simmons, an Ohio State University law professor.

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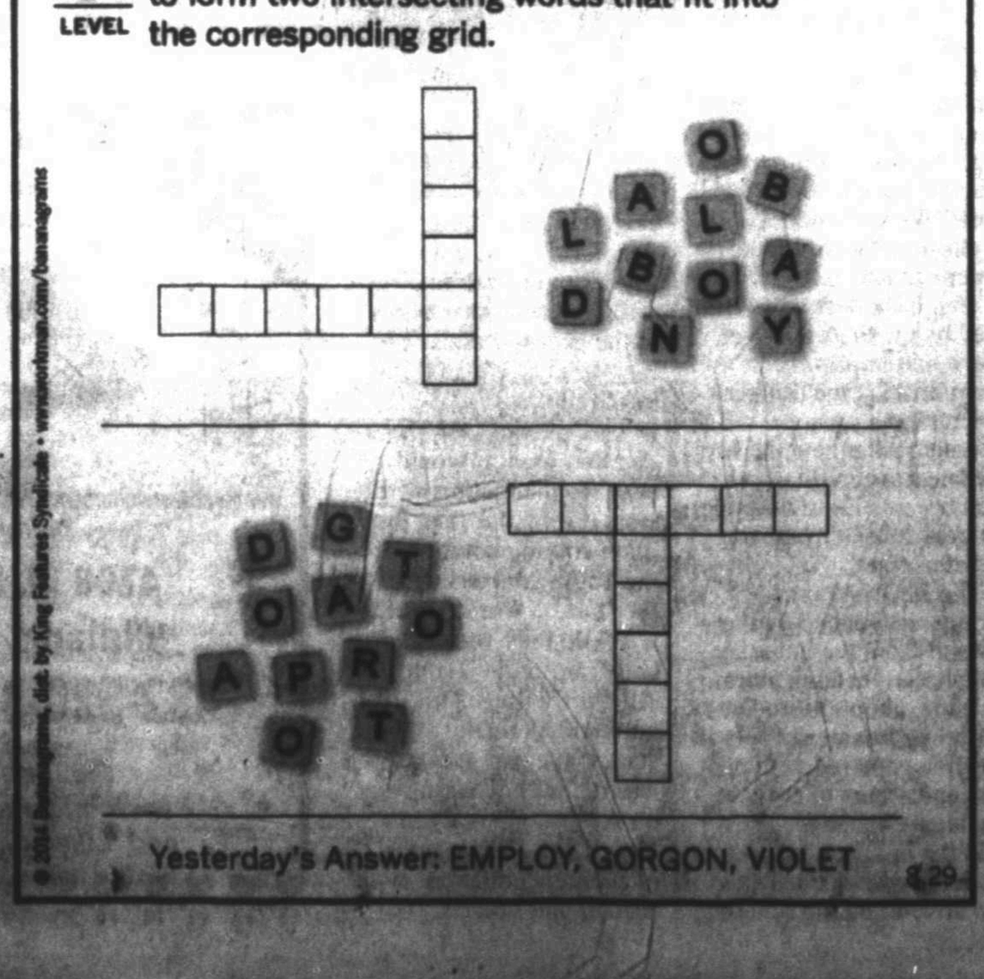

Yesterday's Answer: EMPLOY, GORGON, VIOLET

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Bulldogs facing familiar defense in Smithson Valley

By Chris Hummer
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The stage will be familiar, yet equal parts intimidating and exhilarating for the Midland High players in their season opener against Smithson Valley tonight.

For the defense, other than the added pressure of opening night, it'll be just another game against a new opponent and scheme. But for the offense, seeing the Rangers on the other side of the line could inspire flashes to something they see every day — their own defense.

Both Midland High and Smithson Valley run a 4-2-5 defense, a rare meeting between two teams that employ the scheme. Seeing two teams run the 4-2-5, a variation of the 4-3 defense in which the two outside linebackers are used more as safeties to give the unit more flexibility against the pass, isn't quite as rare as stumbling upon an outdoor hockey game in Texas. Instead, it's more akin to the frequency of the winter storms that would make the activity possible.

It doesn't happen often, but it's quite the benefit for the Bulldogs' offense.

"(It) helps us a lot," said senior quarterback Ryan Goodrum. "We've been going against (the 4-2-5) since spring football and through two-a-days. It's really going to help us offensively."

The 4-2-5 is a flexible hybrid that allows a defense to be multiple while

Please see **BULLDOGS**/4C

The game

ASCO FOOTBALL MADNESS
MIDLAND HIGH
VS. SMITHSON VALLEY

When: 7:30 p.m. today
Location: Grande Communications Stadium
Radio: KNFM (92.3 FM)
For updates: Follow @ChrisHummer_MRT and @MWTsports on Twitter

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Two Midland High football players jump for the ball during practice on Aug. 11 at Memorial Stadium. The Bulldogs open the season tonight against Smithson Valley.

Lee clips Keller

Rebel defense comes up big to beat Indians

Rebels.....28
Indians.....26

By Len Hayward
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Lee tried to rely on a simple formula Thursday night — have Aron Dobbins run the ball and use defense to slow down Keller's offense.

The Rebel defense stopped Keller's offense enough to give its offense a chance to score points, and Dobbins provided the yards when needed to help the Rebels take a 28-26 victory at Grande Communications Stadium in the first game of the ASCO Midland Football Madness.

Dobbins was workhorse Thursday rushing for 119 yards on 35 carries and three touchdowns. But it was his 11-yard carry late in the fourth quarter that sealed the game. The tote was his longest of the night — he had a 40-yard gain that was called back. But even he knew if it wasn't for Lee's defense holding Keller's offense to two touchdowns, stopping a two-point conversion and forcing two turnovers, the Rebels might have lost.

The Indians' other two touchdowns on the night were a fumble return for a touchdown in the first half and then an 87-yard kickoff return to start the third quarter.

"In the first half they came up with some big stops that kept us in the game," Dobbins said. "They were really the reason we won the game because they kept us in the game the first half."

Thursday's game was delayed nearly 2 and a half hours because of lightning, and the delay even forced the postponement to today of the second game of ASCO

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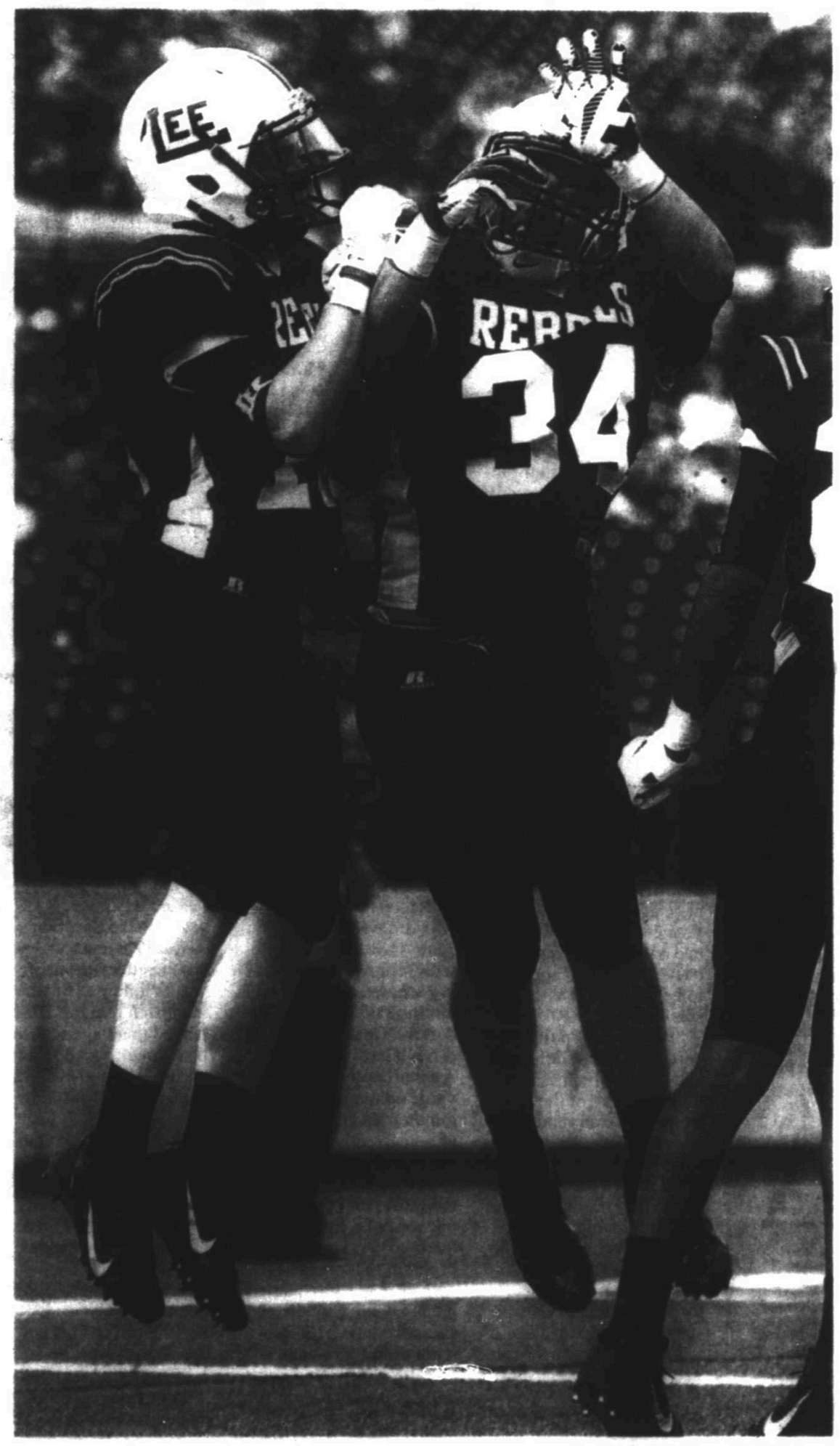
James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Lee defensive back Wesley Hall (15) celebrates with teamate Tyler Thames (34) after breaking up a pass on Thursday at Grande Communications Stadium.

Coahoma, Forsan open season against each other

By Oscar LeRoy
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Coahoma senior Joseph Melendez said it's not uncommon to run into the football players from Forsan outside of school.

Considering that the two Howard County communities are only about 24 miles from each other, it's not surprising to see folks from Coahoma and Forsan gathering halfway in Big Spring to shop and go bowling.

Gardner

So when the athletes from each respective high school run into each other, they are reminded of the rivalry.

Phillips

"We just do some talking and act like butt-heads at times, but it's a respectable rivalry," Melendez said.

That rivalry will kick off the 2014 season for both teams as they face each other at 7:30 p.m. today at Big Spring's Memorial Stadium.

If recent history is any indication, this game could be a nail-biter as the last three meetings have been decided by a combined eight points. Last year Forsan capitalized on Coahoma's mistakes for a 17-14 victory.

"In this game you know you're going to get their best performance."

Please see **RIVALRY**/4C

The game

FORSAN VS. COAHOMA

When: 7:30 p.m. today
Location: Memorial Stadium, Big Spring

Greenwood-Seminole game postponed to today

From staff reports

Thursday's high school football game between Greenwood and Seminole at Grande Communications Stadium was postponed because of weather.

The game will now be played at Seminole's Wig Wam Stadium at 7:30 p.m. Friday and all tickets purchased for the game Thursday will be honored.

Greenwood is installing artificial turf at J.M. King Memorial Stadium and the field is not yet playable.

The game was supposed to be part of the ASCO Midland Football Madness at Grande, but because of lightning delays that pushed back the kickoff of the Lee vs. Keller game by almost 2 1/2 hours, officials from both Greenwood and Seminole decided it was best to postpone the game and move it to Seminole.

Greenwood comes off a 2-8 season, while Seminole was 3-7 last year.

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Big win for A&M

Texas A&M wide receiver Ricky Seals-Jones (9) celebrates after scoring a touchdown against South Carolina during the first half Thursday in Columbia, S.C. See more on Page 2C

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THURSDAY'S SCORE
San Antonio 2, Midland 1

TODAY'S GAME
Midland at San Antonio, 7:05 p.m., Nelson Wolff Stadium, San Antonio

RADIO/INTERNET
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RECORDS
Midland 57-29, San Antonio 31-35

Wednesday	Thursday	Today	Saturday	Sunday
Midland 2, San Antonio 1	San Antonio 2, Midland 1	Midland at San Antonio	Midland at Frisco	Midland at Frisco

DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

TODAY

WHAT'S ON TV

AUTO RACING

NASCAR, Sprint Cup, practice for Oral-B USA 500, 1:30 p.m., Fox Sports 1

NASCAR, Nationwide Series, practice for Great Clips 300, 3 p.m., Fox Sports 1

NASCAR, Nationwide Series, final practice for Great Clips 300, 4:30 p.m., Fox Sports 1

NASCAR, Sprint Cup, pole qualifying for Oral-B USA 500, 6 p.m., Fox Sports 1

NBCSN — IndyCar, qualifying for MAVTV 500 (same-day tape), 6 p.m., NBC Sports Network

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

BYU at UConn, 6 p.m., ESPN

UTSA at Houston, 8 p.m., ESPNU

Colorado St. vs. Colorado, 8 p.m., Fox Sports 1

UNLV at Arizona, 9:30 p.m., ESPN

GOLF

European PGA Tour, Italian Open, second round, part II, 8:30 a.m., TGC

Web.com Tour, Hotel Fitness Championship, second round, 11:30 a.m., TGC

PGA Tour, Deutsche Bank Championship, first round, 1:30 p.m., TGC

LPGA, Portland Classic, second round, 6 p.m., TGC

Champions Tour, Shaw Charity Classic, first round (same-day tape), 8:30-p.m., TGC

MLB

Regional coverage, N.Y. Yankees at Toronto or Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 6 p.m., MLB Network

Texas at Houston, 7 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest

Chicago Cubs at St. Louis, 7:10 p.m., WGN

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

De La Salle (California) vs. Jesuit (California), 10 p.m., ESPN2

SOCCER

MLS, Houston at Kansas City, 7 p.m., NBC Sports Network

TENNIS

U.S. Open, men's second and women's third round, Noon, ESPN

U.S. Open, men's second and women's third round, 5 p.m., ESPN2

SOCCER

MLS, Real Salt Lake at Dallas, 8 p.m., NBC Sports Network

TENNIS

WTA, Connecticut Open, semifinal, Noon, ESPN2

ATP World Tour, Winston-Salem Open, semifinal, 2 p.m., ESPN2

WTA, Connecticut Open, semifinal, 6 p.m., ESPNEWS

WHAT'S ON RADIO

AUTO RACING

Midland High vs. Smithson Valley, 7:30 p.m., KNFM (92.3 FM)

Lubbock Monterey at Odessa High, 7:30 p.m., KICKS (99.1 FM), Odessa

WHAT'S ON DECK

TODAY

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Fort Stockton vs. Brownfield, 4 p.m., Grande Communications Stadium

Smithson Valley at Midland High, 7:30 p.m.

Colleyville Heritage at Abilene High, 7:30 p.m.

Del Rio at San Angelo Central, 7:30 p.m.

Lubbock Monterey at Odessa High, 7:30 p.m.

San Angelo Lake View at Andrews, 7:30 p.m.

Coahoma at Forsan, 7:30 p.m., Big Spring

Stanton at Kermit, 7:30 p.m.

Rankin at Balmorhea, 7:30 p.m.

HS VOLLEYBALL

Midland High at Margaret Hussmann Tournament, El Paso

Lee at Wolforth Frenship Tournament

Midland Classical at Denver City Tournament

Trinity at Lake Country Christian Tournament

JC VOLLEYBALL

Midland College at Temple College Tournament

LOCAL SPORTS

WGA CHALLENGE RESULTS

Here are the results from the WGA Challenge between Ranchland Hills and Green Tree Country Club from earlier this week: Green Tree defeated Ranchland Hills in the team competition with a 73.71 scoring average as opposed to Ranchland Hill's 77.22.

The low gross score from Green Tree came from Trina Albright (84), and the low net was Janet Carlisle's 69. For Ranchland Hills, Barbara Hester had the low gross at 84, and Lois Guthrie had the low net.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Claimed INF Jayson Nix off waivers from Pittsburgh. Activated LHP Scott Downs from the the 15-day DL. Optioned RHP Liam Hendriks. Recalled RHP Michael Mariot from Omaha (PCL) and placed him on the 60-day DL.

NEW YORK YANKEES — Acquired LHP Josh Outman from the Cleveland Indians for a player to be named or cash.

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Claimed OF Nolan Reimold off waivers from Toronto.

CINCINNATI REDS — Recalled RHP Dylan Axelrod from Louisville (IL). Optioned RHP Daniel Corcino to Louisville.

NEW YORK METS — Placed RHP Vic Black on the 15-day DL. Activated RHP Dalsuke Matsuzaka from the 15-day DL.

Renewed their player development contract with Las Vegas (PCL) for two years through the 2016 season.

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES — Announced president and CEO David Montgomery is taking a medical leave of absence.

WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Announced the signing of a two-year player development contract extension with Auburn (NY-Penn) beginning in 2015.

American Association

GRAND PRAIRIE AIR HOGS — Released LHP Thomas Keeling.

LAREDO LEMURS — Exercised the 2015 contract options on RHPs Cesar Carrillo, Caleb Graham, Byron Mensch, Tyler Pearson, Chad Povich, Michael Shreves, Jeremy Strawn, Josh Strawn, Scott Weingarm and Michael Suk; LHP Esteven Urlegas; C Carlos Ramirez, C Danny Taveras; INFs Gerardo Avila, Ike Brandenburg, Travis Danker and Devin Goodwin; OFs Harrison Kain, Denis Phipps, JP Ramirez, Nick Van Stratten and Byron Wiley.

SIOUX CITY EXPLORERS — Exercised the 2015 contract options on RHPs Kyle A.Allen, Chris Bodenhagen, Geoff Broussard, Patrick Johnson, Jimmer Kennedy, John Sinske, Alex Burnett and Alex Calders; LHPs Jesse English, Lars Liguori and Kennu Long; C Clifton Ulrich; INFs Chris Escobar, Riley Kjeldgaard, Tommy Manzoni, Andres Perez and Amos Ramon; OFs Peter Barrows, Tim Colwell, Michael Lang, Oscar Mesa and Rene Tosoni.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

NFL — Suspended Dallas S Jakar Hamilton for the first four regular-season games for violating the league's policy on substance abuse. Fined Denver QB Peyton Manning $8,268 for taunting Houston S D.J. Swearinger in a preseason game last week.

DALLAS COWBOYS — Waived CB B.W. Webb. Signed RB Phillip Tanner. Canadian

Football League

CALGARY STAMPEDERS — Activated DB Quincy Butler from the suspended list. Released RB Tory Harrison.

EDMONTON ESKIMOS — Signed DT Cedric McKinley to the practice roster. HOCKEY

ECHL

IDAHO STEELHEADS — Agreed to terms with F Kyle Gibbons and D Colin Shea.

READING ROYALS — Agreed to terms with F David Marshall.

SOCCER

Major League Soccer

MLS — Suspended Portland D Norberto Paparatto one game and fined him an undisclosed amount for serious foul-play which endangered the safety of an opponent in an Aug. 24 match against Seattle.

COLLEGE

BARUCH — Named KellyAnn Barrett interim women's basketball coach.

BROWN — Named Chris Ip men's swimming & diving coach.

EAST CAROLINA — Named Matt Ator director of athletic equipment.

NEW JERSEY CITY — Named Lorenzo Samih women's assistant volleyball coach.

NEW ROCHELLE — Named Alfredo Ruffano ayatics director and swimming coach.

NORTH CAROLINA — Announced the NCAA cleared senior DT Ethan Farmer to play after resolving an unspecified eligibility issue.

RADFORD — Promoted Aaron Marshall to ram's assistant basketball coach. Named Matthew Futch director of men's basketball operations.

SOUTHERN CAL — Announced senior RB Anthony Brown quit the football team.

THE CITADEL — Named Tucker Lane assistant wrestling coach.

VIRGINIA TECH — Signed football coach Frank Beamer a two-year contract extension through Jan. 1, 2015.

WILLIAM SMITH — Named Jennifer Goodell Cooper women's assistant basketball coach.

YESHIVA — Named Matthew Jasan men's golf coach.

MLS STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
D.C.	13	8	4	43	40	30
Sporting Kansas City	12	7	6	42	35	28
Toronto FC	11	9	6	39	33	30
Columbus	8	5	9	33	25	22
New York	7	7	10	31	30	35
New England	9	12	3	30	31	35
Philadelphia	7	9	7	28	40	41
Chicago	6	8	14	26	31	37
Houston	7	13	4	25	25	45
Montreal	4	10	7	19	25	40

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Seattle	14	7	7	49	45	33
Los Angeles	12	7	7	43	43	27
FC Dallas	12	7	6	42	46	33
Real Salt Lake	11	8	8	41	39	30
Vancouver	7	8	12	33	33	31
Portland	7	9	10	31	41	43
Colorado	8	13	5	29	37	39
San Jose	6	10	7	25	28	32
Chivas USA	6	12	6	24	31	37

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

Wednesday's Games
Los Angeles 4, D.C. United 1
Toronto FC 2, Montreal 1
Houston at Sporting Kansas City 7 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Colorado at Seattle FC, 9 p.m.
New England at Toronto FC, 4 p.m.
Columbus at Montreal, 6:30 p.m.
FC Dallas at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Real Salt Lake at San Jose, 8:30 p.m.
Portland at Vancouver, 8:30 p.m.
Sunday's Games
New York at D.C. United, 5:00 p.m.
Los Angeles at Chivas USA, 9 p.m.

Positions posted for All-American Futurity

From staff reports

RUIDOSO DOWNS, N.M. — The post positions for this weekend's All-American Futurity and All-American Derby were set Thursday.

Thursday's morning line favorite in the All-American Futurity was Bodacious Eagle at 7-2 and will start from the No. 2 position. Jm Miracle came in at 4-1 odds.

The All-American Futurity, which has the largest purse of any two-year-old race in North America, is set for Monday at 2 p.m. (CST) at Ruidoso Downs. The winner will receive $1.3 million.

Houdini was Thursday's morning line favorite at 5-2 in the All-American Derby and will start from the No. 8 position. The All-American Derby is set for 1 p.m. (CST) on Sunday.

All-American Weekend
Ruidoso Downs
Post draws
All-American Futurity
Race: Monday

Pos.	Horse	Jockey	Odds
1	Apolitical Blood	Raul Valenzuela	5-1
2	Bodacious Eagle	Cody Jensen	7-2
3	Jm Miracle	Ramon Sanchez	4-1
4	Tempting Destiny	GR Carter Jr.	6-1
5	Mad About The Moon	Sergio Becerra Jr.	20-1
6	Sam Crow	Ricky Ramirez	15-1
7	This Fire Is Cold	Edgar Ramirez	20-1
8	Exquisite Bride	Jimmy Dean Brooks	10-1
9	Thunderbird	Joe Bettis Jr.	20-1
10	Was A Penny Pyc*	Eduardo Nicasio	5-2

* Will be scratched

All-American Derby
Race: Sunday

Pos.	Horse	Jockey	Odds
1	Five Star Cartel	Raul Ramirez Jr.	12-1
2	Z Bar	Sergio Sergio Valenzuela	3-1
3	Mon Ti Dash	Bentley Poncher	20-1
4	Big Dashing Perry	GR Carter Jr.	3-1
5	Kaiso Dynasty	Larry Payne	4-1
6	Too Flash For You	Larry Gomez	10-1
7	The Ultimate Eagle	Jimmy Dean Brooks	30-1
8	Houdini	Cody Jensen	5-2
9	Down Side Magician	Ramon Sanchez	15-1
10	Primerizo*	Eduardo Nicasio	8-1

* Will be scratched

Missions pitching staff shuts down RockHounds

Staff Reports

SAN ANTONIO — The RockHounds' bats were shut down by a superb performance from the San Antonio Missions pitching staff Thursday evening in a 2-1 loss.

Midland dropped one game behind the Frisco RoughRiders, winners over Corpus Christi, in the second-half Texas South Division standings after the defeat.

The Missions stifled the RockHounds' bats in a full-team effort by the bullpen when starter Troy Patton left after the first inning. From that point on, four pitchers combined for seven innings of one-run ball and only eight hits allowed. This effort was led by Justin Hancock, who threw six innings of long relief, allowing just five hits.

All of San Antonio's runs came in the first inning, when the Missions jumped on Chris Jensen for two quick runs — all he allowed in seven innings pitched.

The RockHounds made a late push in the ninth inning, manufacturing a run. But a Kenny Wilson strikeout ended the rally with a runner on third base.

Midland and San Antonio will finish their four-game series today at 7:05 p.m. in San Antonio.

Jensen named to All-Star team: Midland starting pitcher Chris Jensen was named to the 2014 post-season all-star team Thursday. The right-hander is 12-7 on the year with a 3.17 ERA through 25 starts in his first year at the Double-A level. Jensen was acquired in the offseason by the A's organization from the Colorado Rockies. The post-season all-star team is selected by a group of Texas League managers, coaches, PR directors and beat writers.

Texas League
Second half
North Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Team	38	26	.594	—
y-Arkansas	38	26	.594	—
Springfield	31	34	.477	6 1/2
x-Tulsa	30	35	.462	7 1/2
NW Arkansas	28	35	.444	10

South Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Team	38	26	.594	—
x-Frisco	36	28	.563	2
x-Midland	37	29	.561	—
San Antonio	31	35	.470	7
Corpus Christi	30	36	.455	8

x-clinched first half

Today's Games
Northwest Arkansas 2, Tulsa 1
San Antonio 2, Midland 1
Springfield 5, Arkansas 4
Frisco 6, Corpus Christi 5
Today's Games
Midland at San Antonio, 7:05 p.m.
Northwest Arkansas at Tulsa, 7:05 p.m.
Frisco at Corpus Christi, 7:10 p.m.
Arkansas at Springfield, 7:10 p.m.

MISSIONS 2, ROCKHOUNDS 1

Midland	ab	r	h	bi	San Antonio	ab	r	h	bi
Crumbliss 2b	5	0	0	0	Spangenberg 3b	4	1	1	1
OWilson cf	5	0	1	0	McElroy 2b	4	1	1	0
Muncy 3b	4	0	1	0	Hagerty dh	4	0	2	0
Matthes dh	3	0	0	0	DJenson cf	3	0	1	2
Barfield rf	4	0	0	0	Renfroe rf	2	0	0	0
Coleman ss	3	0	1	0	Hedges c	3	0	0	0
Obersteer 1b	3	1	1	0	Goris ss	3	0	0	0
Myers c	3	0	1	0	Overbeck 1b	3	0	1	0
Nishijima pr	0	0	0	0	Buschini lf	3	0	0	0
Maxwell c	4	0	0	0					
Totals	34	1	6	1	Totals	29	2	6	2

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San Antonio .200 000 00x—2

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	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Midland						
Jensen L,12-8	7	6	2	2	1	6
Duran	1	0	0	0	0	1
San Antonio						
Patton	1	1	0	0	2	
Hancock W,3-2	6	5	0	0	2	3
Garces	1	0	0	0	1	0
Alvarez S,7	1	2	1	1	1	1

T — 2:34. Att. — 4,227

A&M ride roughshod over Gamecocks to open season

By Brent Zwerneman
San Antonio Express-News

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Texas A&M sophomore quarterback Kenny Hill admitted to a bundle of nerves on Thursday night. In the post-game press conference room, in a setting in which he wasn't accustomed. The four previous hours happily spent on the football field?

Apparently they were a piece of cake for the Aggies' new starting quarterback, who had both A&M's opponents and preseason critics eating humble pie.

"I was more excited than nervous," Hill said, smiling. "I was ready to go."

Was he ever. The No. 9 21 Aggies stunned No. 9 South Carolina 52-28 in an oft-hushed Williams-Brice Stadium, in the first live contest on the brand new SEC Network. And once again under third-year coach Kevin Sumlin and a new flashy quarterback, the Aggies appear to be must-see TV this season.

"We were 10-point underdogs," A&M defensive end Julien Obioha said. "By the score of the game, we proved everybody wrong."

Hill, who completed 44 of 60 passes for 511 yards, apparently needs only one thing following his impressive debut as A&M's starting quarterback: A catchy nickname. The former Southlake Carroll standout now owns the school's single-game passing mark, snapping Manziel's 464 from last year in a loss to Alabama. Hill also now owns A&M's single-game completion mark, to boot (previously held by Jerrod Johnson with 40 in 2010).

Rainier Ehrhardt/AP

Texas A&M quarterback Kenny Hill (7) runs as South Carolina linebacker Sharrod Golightly (9) gives chase during the second half Thursday in Columbia, S.C.

No. 21 Aggies	52
No. 9 Gamecocks	28

Perhaps that nickname will come soon, after Kenny Cool (anyone?), with Johnny Football having scooted on to the NFL, torching the Gamecocks defense from the opening drive. That's when the Aggies coolly marched 67 yards on nine plays to begin their all-night process of consistently quieting the crowd.

The Aggies had for the most part put this one away by halftime, in leading 31-14 against a program that debuted its own new starting quarterback, Dylan Thompson. Connor Shaw's replacement didn't fare nearly as well, completing only half his passes (20 of 40), although he managed four touchdown passes in the blowout.

"It was obvious the oddsmakers don't know what they're talking about," a befuddled Gamecocks coach Steve Spurrier said. "That team was so much better than us it wasn't funny. … It was a mismatch tonight. If we played them again, they'd be a three-touchdown favorite. We tried everything we could to slow them down."

The Aggies and Gamecocks, cross-division rivals in the SEC, had met for the first time.

"They were just tired, they weren't saying much," A&M offensive linemen Cedric Ogbuehi said, when asked if the Gamecocks defense had chatted any during the game.

The Aggies snapped an 18-game home winning streak for stunned South Carolina, thanks in large part to Hill's calm and confidence under pressure.

"I've been ready for this my whole life," Hill said. "Everybody was doubting us, and I was just ready to (prove) people wrong."

Hill completed passes to a dozen different receivers, in giving new meaning to the term spreading the ball around.

"That's one of our recruiting tools," Sumlin said. "There's only one football, but we like to get it to a bunch of guys, and don't like to wear one player out."

Sumlin owns a 21-6 record in his third season in the SEC, and Thursday's triumph ranked up there with A&M stunning top-ranked Alabama two years prior behind Manziel. As for the hype — and most prognosticators picking South Carolina to handily prevail — surrounding the ballyhooed game?

"You never know," Sumlin said of how he anticipated his team reacting in that environment. "We've got a bunch of young guys out there. I liked the we prepared, but until you're in that environment … (But) there was a confidence about this team, and quite frankly there was a little chip on their shoulder, because basically nobody even gave us a chance for this to be a close game.

"What we did tonight kind of showed that we're not a one-trick pony. We're not anywhere where we want to be as a team, but we're not going anywhere any time soon."

Stewart returning to competition after fatal crash

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Tony Stewart will return to Sprint Cup competition Sunday night at Atlanta Motor Speedway, ending a three-race hiatus taken after he struck and killed a fellow driver during a dirt-track race.

The three-time NASCAR champion has not raced since his car hit Kevin Ward Jr. at an Aug. 9 sprint car event in upstate New York. Stewart pulled out of the NASCAR race at Watkins Glen the next morning, then skipped races at Michigan and Bristol Motor Speedway.

Stewart, who was described by police as "visibly shaken" the night of Ward's death, has been in seclusion ever since. Stewart-Haas Racing executive vice president Brett Frood has said the emphasis was on giving Stewart time needed to get him "in a better place than he is."

Stewart's only comment since the crash was a statement the day after the crash in which he said "there aren't words to describe the sadness I feel about the accident that took the life of Kevin Ward Jr."

Ward had climbed from his car after it had spun while racing for position with Stewart. The 20-year-old walked down onto the racing surface waving his arms in an apparent attempt to confront Stewart.

Authorities said the first car to pass Ward had to swerve to miss hitting him. The front of Stewart's car then appeared to clear Ward, but Ward was struck by the right rear tire and hurtled through the air. He died of blunt force trauma.

Stewart will return with a decision pending on whether he will be charged in Ward's death. Ontario County Sheriff Philip Povero has said investigators did not have any evidence to support criminal intent by Stewart. Povero said Thursday the investigation is still ongoing.

Meanwhile, the 43-year-old NASCAR superstar will move forward with his career and attempt to salvage his season.

NASCAR released a statement saying that Stewart was eligible to return because he "has received all necessary clearances required to return to all racing activities." NASCAR said it would have no further comment until President Mike Helton speaks Friday afternoon.

Stewart, who has 48 career Cup wins in 542 starts, is one of the biggest stars in the garage. His peers have been protective of him as questions emerged in the aftermath of the crash, and it pained them that Stewart was grieving in private and had cut off communication with so many of them. He will talk to the media for the first time since the fatal crash on Friday.

NASCAR rules state a driver must attempt to either qualify or race the car in every points-paying event to be eligible for Chase for the Sprint Cup championship, unless a waiver is granted. There was no immediate word if NASCAR would grant that waiver.

Since Ward's death, NASCAR has announced a rule that prohibits drivers from exiting from a crashed or disabled vehicle — unless it is on fire — until safety personnel arrive. Last week, Denny Hamlin crashed while leading at Bristol and stayed in his car until safety personnel arrived.

But Hamlin then exited his vehicle and angrily tossed a safety device at Kevin Harvick as he passed by moments later.

Royals claim Jayson Nix off waivers

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — The Kansas City Royals claimed infielder Jayson Nix, a Midland High grad, off waivers Thursday from the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Nix hit .133 in 34 games this season with the Pirates and Philadelphia Phillies. He is a career .214 hitter in seven big league seasons. He's also played for Colorado, New York Yankees, Chicago White Sox, Cleveland and Toronto.

The Royals also activated left-handed pitcher Scott Downs, who had been on the disabled list with a stiff neck. The team also optioned right-handed pitcher Liam Hendriks to Double-A Northwest Arkansas. Hendriks held Minnesota to one run and four hits over seven innings in a no-decision spot start Wednesday in his Kansas City debut.

The Royals recalled right-hander Michael Mariot, who had been on the disabled list at Triple-A Omaha, and put him on the 60-day disabled list to make room for Nix on the 40-man major league roster.

The Royals will have to make a corresponding move to add Nix to the 25-man roster when he reports.

MLB ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

ASTROS 4
RANGERS 2

HOUSTON — Jason Castro hit a grand slam, Collin McHugh threw seven solid innings and the Houston Astros beat the Texas Rangers 4-2 Thursday night.

McHugh (7-9) earned his third straight win, allowing two runs and eight hits while striking out six.

In his six August starts, McHugh gave up eight runs over 37 2/3 innings.

Castro snapped an 0-for-20 slump with a single in the second. In the fifth, he wiped out Texas' 2-0 lead.

Jose Altuve singled in the Houston fifth and Chris Carter walked, finishing starter Nick Tepesch. Dexter Fowler reached on an infield single to set up Castro's second career grand slam, a drive off Ramon Mendez (0-1).

Josh Fields pitched the eighth and Tony Sipp worked the ninth for his second save.

TIGERS 3
YANKEES 2

DETROIT — Alex Avila hit an RBI single off the wall in right field with two out in the bottom of the ninth, giving the Detroit Tigers a 3-2 victory over the New York Yankees on Thursday.

A day after David Price gave up nine straight hits, the Tigers sent Kyle Lobstein to the mound for his first major league start. The rookie performed well, allowing one earned run in six innings.

Then Detroit's bullpen held off New York until the Tigers scored in the ninth off Shawn Kelley (2-5). Victor Martinez led off with a double through a shifted infield, then Kelley walked J.D. Martinez before striking out Nick Castellanos and pinch-hitter Torii Hunter.

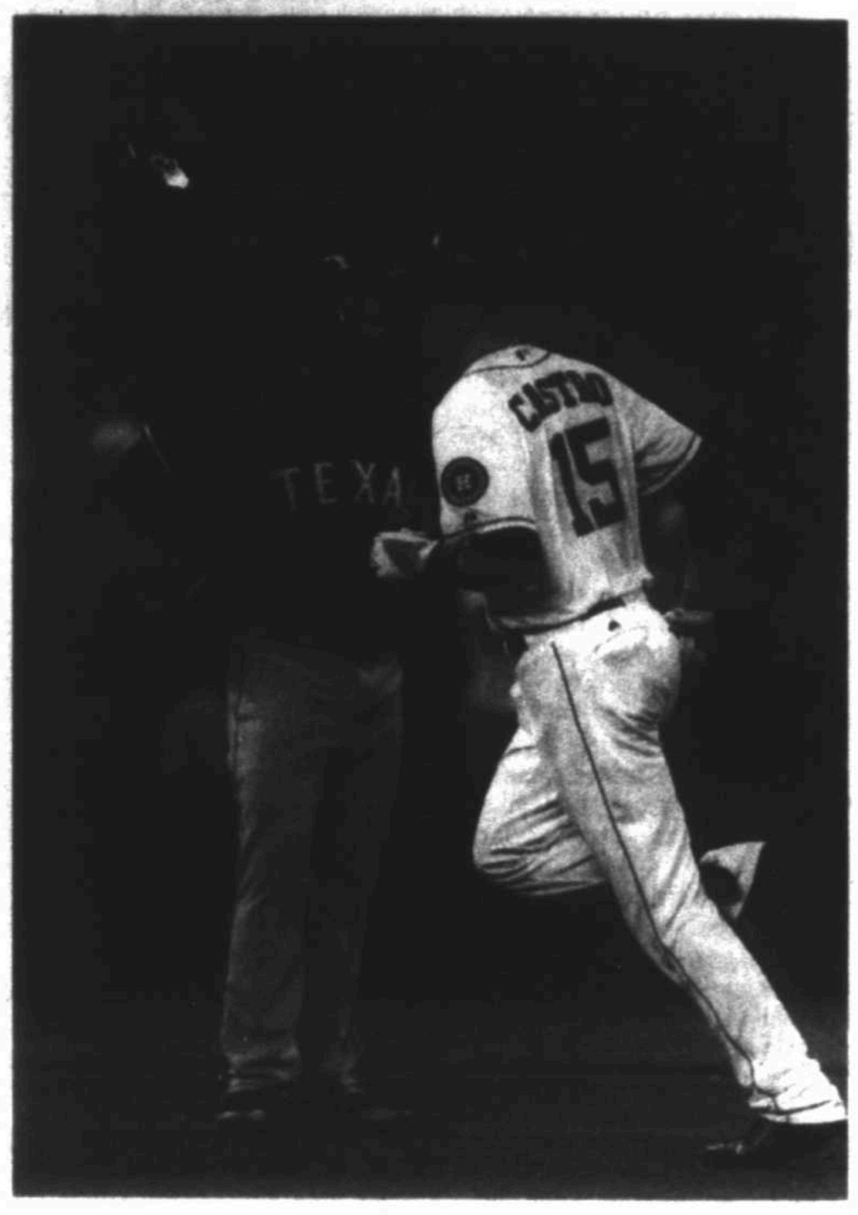
Avila followed with a drive to right that Ichiro Suzuki couldn't quite get to. Kelley flung his glove to the ground as soon as Avila connected.

Phil Coke (2-2) got one out for the win.

ORIOLES 5
RAYS 4

BALTIMORE — J.J. Hardy singled in the tiebreaking run in the seventh inning, and the Baltimore Orioles beat the Tampa Bay Rays 5-4 Thursday night to lengthen their lead in the AL East.

Steve Pearce homered for the Orioles, who took three of four from the sinking Rays. The victory, combined with the Yankees' loss to Detroit, put Baltimore seven games ahead of New York with 30 games remaining.



Pat Sullivan/AP

Houston's Jason Castro (15) passes Texas third baseman Adrian Beltre after hitting a grand slam in the fifth inning Thursday in Houston.

With the score 4-all in the seventh, Nelson Cruz doubled with two outs off Kirby Yates (0-2). After Chris Davis received an intentional walk, Hardy hit an opposite-field bloop to right that gave the Orioles their first lead.

Andrew Miller (4-5) pitched 1 2-3 hitless innings and Zach Britton worked a perfect ninth for his 29th save.

Evan Longoria homered and drove in two runs for the Rays, who lost their second road series in the last 11.

National League

REDS 7
CUBS 2

CINCINNATI — Billy Hamilton stole his 51st base and the Cincinnati Reds swiped six in all, beating the Chicago Cubs 7-2 Thursday.

Zack Cozart and Todd Frazier each stole twice, and Kristopher Negron added one more.

The Reds stole six times in the first four innings, using six hits and four walks to build a 6-0 lead against Jake Arrieta (7-5).

Cincinnati stole three in a three-run second inning and two in a three-run fourth.

Dylan Axelrod (1-0) pitched five scoreless innings of two-hit ball and struck out eight.

GIANTS 4
ROCKIES 1

SAN FRANCISCO — Yusmeiro Petit set a major league record when he retired his 46th batter in a row, and the San Francisco Giants beat the Colorado Rockies 4-1 on Thursday for their third straight win.

Petit (4-3) got the first eight Colorado hitters, and established the mark by striking out Charlie Culberson. That broke Mark Buehrle's record of 45 straight with the Chicago White Sox in 2009.

BRAVES 6
METS 1

NEW YORK — Mike Minor took a two-hit shutout into the eighth inning after hitting a double and single himself, leading the Atlanta Braves over the New York Mets 6-1 Thursday night.

Minor (6-8) had an RBI single in the second for the game's first run, then doubled and scored in the eighth.

Broncos top Cowboys to end preseason

Broncos	27
Cowboys	3

By Schuyler Dixon
Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Brock Osweiler is ready for a third season as Peyton Manning's backup in Denver.

Dallas has to hope Brandon Weeden can be a solid insurance policy with Tony Romo coming off back surgery.

Osweiler led four scoring drives in the final tune-up for another year behind Manning, and the Broncos beat the Cowboys 27-3 Thursday night, sending Dallas to the fifth winless preseason in franchise history.

With Manning and Romo watching in uniform from the sidelines, Osweiler played three efficient quarters, completing nine of 13 for 190 yards without an interception.

Romo's backup, Weeden, came out before halftime of his second ragged game in four preseason outings. He was 6 of 12 for 75 yards with an interception that set up Denver's first touchdown.

The Cowboys (0-4) didn't make the playoffs in three of their other four winless preseasons and are trying to avoid matching a club record with a fifth straight year of missing the postseason.

Kapri Bibbs, a running back on the roster bubble, rushed for two second-half scores for the Broncos (3-1).

As expected, Denver defensive end DeMarcus Ware didn't play in his first trip to Dallas since the Cowboys' franchise sacks leader was released and signed with the Broncos in March.

Ware had a long pregame chat on the field with Jason Witten, the Dallas tight end who interrupted Ware's conference call with reporters this week for some playful trash talk.

The Broncos shared most of their running plays between running backs expected to make the team in C.J. Anderson and Juwan Thompson. The Cowboys sat their top four runners and handed the ball to guys who might not be around after final cuts Saturday.

Anderson got the heaviest load with 14 carries for 33 yards and a 1-yard touchdown set up by Osweiler's longest completion, a 34-yarder to a leaping Andre Caldwell near the goal line.

LM Otero/AP

Denver quarterback Brock Osweiler (17) scrambles out of the pocket and keeps the ball for a long run as Dallas' Caesar Rayford (95) and Kenneth Boatright (91) give chase in the second half of a preseason game Thursday in Arlington, Texas.

One of the Dallas backs was Phillip Tanner, who wasn't re-signed by the Cowboys after spending his first three years with them. Tanner was cut by the Colts last week, so the Cowboys officially added him earlier Thursday just to get through the game. He led Dallas with 26 yards.

Weeden led a 74-yard drive to a field goal, but was off the mark on several throws and had just one first down in three other possessions.

Several Dallas defensive starters got a few snaps, but Henry Melton wasn't one of them.

The Cowboys changed their plan to get their free agent tackle his first preseason action before the opener, taking the safe route instead with his groin injury. Melton hasn't played since a torn knee ligament ended his final season in Chicago in Week 3 last year.

Borland returns pick for TD, 49ers beat Texans

By Chris Duncan
Associated Press

49ers	40
Texans	13

HOUSTON — Chris Borland made one final case to get into the mix of 49ers linebackers needed to replace injured NaVorro Bowman.

Borland, a third-round pick from Wisconsin, returned an interception 34 yards for a touchdown, third-string quarterback Josh Johnson threw three TD passes and San Francisco beat the Houston Texans 40-13 on Thursday night.

Bowman is expected to miss at least half the season as he recovers from a devastating left knee injury sustained in the NFC championship game loss to the rival Seahawks.

Michael Wilhoite is listed as the starter, but defensive coordinator Vic Fangio said younger players would get a "good, healthy dose of snaps" to move up the depth chart.

Colin Kaepernick did not play for the 49ers. Blaine Gabbert played the first half and went 4 for 11 for 60 yards before Johnson took over.

Houston quarterbacks Case Keenum and Tom Savage both threw interceptions as they compete for the backup job behind Ryan Fitzpatrick. Keenum went 8 for 17 for 70 yards and Savage went 8 for 12 for 43 yards.

Keenum got the start and started 2 for 7. He got the Texans moving on his third series, completing three passes to DeVier Posey.

Rookie Chris Boswell finished the drive with a 41-yard field goal. Boswell is competing with Randy Bullock for Houston's kicking duties.

Gabbert started 1 for 4 and was sacked by outside linebacker Whitney Mercilus on the second-to-last play of the first quarter. Mercilus, a late first-round pick in 2012 now backing up Jadeveon Clowney, tackled LaMichael James behind the line on the next play.

Savage started the second quarter for Houston and completed his first six throws. His first miss was a third-down toss to Mike Thomas and Bullock kicked a 52-yard field goal for a 6-0 lead.

Gabbert completed a 32-yard pass to Derek Carrier to finally get the 49ers moving and tossed a 14-yard TD pass to Asante Cleveland with 1:18 left in the half.

Keenum returned with 1:12 left in the half and the ball at the Houston 19. He threw behind Posey and Chris Cook intercepted and returned it to the Houston 13. Johnson threw a touchdown pass to Bruce Ellington on the next play.

Phil Dawson kicked a 28-yard field goal in the third quarter. Borland then picked off Savage's next throw, stepping in front of tight end Ryan Griffin and racing to the end zone.

Texans rookie Andre Hal intercepted Johnson's pass and returned it 77 yards for a touchdown late in the third quarter.

Johnson threw a 5-yard touchdown pass to Kyle Nelson and Kassim Osgood blocked a punt out of the end zone for a safety in the fourth quarter.

Only three first-teamers played for the Texans — right guard Brandon Brooks, nose tackle Jerrell Powe and defensive end Jared Crick.

Nose tackle Ian Williams, center Daniel Kilgore and right guard Joe Looney were the only San Francisco first-teamers to start, and Wilhoite and fullback Bruce Miller were the only other regular starters who played. Wilhoite only played on special teams.

Carrier left the game with a hamstring injury.

MLB STANDINGS, BOX AND LINESCORES

STANDINGS
AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	76	56	.576	—
New York	69	63	.523	7
Toronto	67	66	.504	9 1/2
Tampa Bay	65	69	.485	12
Boston	58	75	.436	18 1/2
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Kansas City	74	58	.561	—
Detroit	72	60	.545	2
Cleveland	67	64	.511	6 1/2
Chicago	60	72	.455	14
Minnesota	58	74	.439	16
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	79	53	.598	—
Oakland	78	54	.591	1
Seattle	72	60	.545	7
Houston	57	78	.422	23 1/2
Texas	52	81	.391	27 1/2

Thursday's Scores
Detroit 3, N.Y. Yankees 2
Baltimore 5, Tampa Bay 4
Houston 4, Texas 2
Cleveland at Chicago White Sox, late
Minnesota at Kansas City, late
Oakland at L.A. Angels, late

Today's Games
Minnesota (May 0-3) at Baltimore (Mi. Gonzalez 6-7), 6:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Capuano 1-3) at Toronto (Buehrle 11-8), 6:07 p.m.
Boston (Ranaudo 2-0) at Tampa Bay (Archer 8-6), 6:10 p.m.
Cleveland (Salazar 4-6) at Kansas City (J.Vargas 10-6), 7:10 p.m.
Detroit (Verlander 11-11) at Chicago White Sox (Carroll 5-8), 7:10 p.m.
Texas (Undecided) at Houston (Oberholtzer 4-9), 7:10 p.m.
Oakland (Lester 13-8) at L.A. Angels (Weaver 14-7), 9:05 p.m.
Washington (Zimmermann 9-5) at Seattle (F.Hernandez 13-4), 9:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	75	57	.568	—
Atlanta	70	64	.522	6
Miami	65	67	.492	10
New York	62	72	.463	14
Philadelphia	61	72	.459	14 1/2
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	73	60	.549	—
St. Louis	71	61	.538	1 1/2
Pittsburgh	69	64	.519	4
Cincinnati	65	69	.485	8 1/2
Chicago	59	74	.444	14
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	76	58	.567	—
San Francisco	71	62	.534	4 1/2
San Diego	62	70	.470	13
Arizona	55	78	.414	20 1/2
Colorado	53	80	.398	22 1/2

Thursday's Scores
Cincinnati 7, Chicago Cubs 2
San Francisco 4, Colorado 1
Atlanta 6, N.Y. Mets 1

Today's Games
Cincinnati (Leake 10-11) at Pittsburgh (Volquez 11-7), 6:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (D.Buchanan 6-7) at N.Y. Mets (deGrom 6-6), 6:10 p.m.
Miami (Koehler 9-9) at Atlanta (E.Santana 13-7), 6:35 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Hendricks 5-1) at St. Louis (S.Miller 8-9), 7:15 p.m.
Colorado (Bergman 1-2) at Arizona (Collmenter 9-7), 8:40 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Haren 11-10) at San Diego (Cashner 2-6), 9:10 p.m.
Washington (Zimmermann 9-5) at Seattle (F.Hernandez 13-4), 9:10 p.m.
Milwaukee (W.Peralta 15-8) at San Francisco (Vogelsong 7-9), 9:15 p.m.

THURSDAY'S AL WEST BOX
ASTROS 4, RANGERS 2

Texas	ab	r	h	bi	Houston	ab	r	h	bi
LMartn cf	4	1	2	0	MGnzlz ss	3	0	1	0
Andrus ss	4	0	2	0	Altuve 2b	4	1	1	0
Carp 1b	3	0	0	1	Carter dh	3	1	1	0
ABeltre 3b	4	0	1	0	Fowler cf	4	1	1	0
Adduci rf	2	0	0	0	JCastro c	3	1	2	4
DnRrts rf	2	0	1	0	Krauss lf	3	0	0	0
Arencii dh	4	0	0	0	Singltn 1b	4	0	0	0
Odor 2b	4	0	0	0	MDmn 3b	3	0	1	0
Choice lf	3	0	0	0	Mrsnck rf	2	0	0	0
Chirins c	3	1	2	0					
Totals	33	2	8	1	Totals	29	4	7	4

Texas .... 101 000 000 —2
Houston .... 000 040 00x —4

DP—Texas 2, Houston 1. LOB—Texas 6, Houston 7. 2B—Chirinos (14). HR—J.Castro (13). SF—Carp.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Tepesch	4 1-3	5	2	2	3	1
Mendez L,0-1	1 2-3	2	2	2	1	2
Klein	1	0	0	0	0	1
Sh.Tolleson	1	0	0	0	0	0
Houston						
McHugh W,7-9	7	8	2	2	0	6
Fields H,8	1	0	0	0	0	0
Sipp S,2-3	1	0	0	0	0	2

HBP—by Tepesch (M.Dominguez), by Mendez (Marisnick), by McHugh (Choice). WP—McHugh.
T—3:04. A—16,399 (42,060).

AMERICAN LEAGUE
TIGERS 3, YANKEES 2

New York .... 001 100 000 —2 5 0
Detroit .... 010 010 001 —3 6 1

Kuroda, Betances (8), Kelley (9) and McCann; Lobstein, B.Hardy (7), Chamberlain (8), Coke (9) and Avila. W—Coke 2-2. L—Kelley 2-5.

ORIOLES 5, RAYS 4

Tampa Bay .... 200 020 000 —4 7 2
Baltimore .... 200 020 10x —5 11 0

Hellickson, Beliveau (5), Yates (7), Jo.Peralta (7) and J.Molina; B.Norris, Brach (7), A.Miller (7), Z.Britton (9) and C.Joseph. W—A.Miller 4-5. L—Yates 0-2. Sv—Z.Britton (29). HRs—Tampa Bay, Longoria (17). Baltimore, Pearce (16).

NATIONAL LEAGUE
REDS 7, CUBS 2

Chicago .... 000 000 002 —2 5 2
Cincinnati .... 030 301 00x —7 11 0

Arrieta, W.Wright (5), Rosscup (7), Fujikawa (8) and Jo.Baker; Axelrod, Villarreal (6), Ondrusek (8), Ju.Diaz (9) and Mesoraco. W—Axelrod 1-0. L—Arrieta 7-5.

GIANTS 4, ROCKIES 1

Colorado .... 001 000 000 —1 4 0
San Francisco .... 020 001 01x —4 8 0

Lyles, Belisle (7), Nicasio (8) and Ja.Williams; Y.Petit, Machi (7), Romo (8), Casilla (9) and Susac. W—Y.Petit 4-3. L—Lyles 6-2. Sv—Casilla (12). HRs—San Francisco, G.Blanco (3).

BRAVES 6, METS 1

Atlanta .... 010 000 023 —6 13 0
New York .... 000 000 010 —1 4 1

Minor, D.Carpenter (8), Varvaro (9) and Laird; Niese, C.Torres (8), Matsuzaka (9), Eveland (9) and d'Arnaud. W—Minor 6-8. L—Niese 7-10. HRs—Atlanta, Doumit (4).

WEDNESDAY'S LATE AL WEST BOX
ANGELS 6, MARLINS 1

Miami	ab	r	h	bi	Los Angeles	ab	r	h	bi
Yelich lf	4	0	1	0	Calhon rf	5	1	1	0
JeBakr 1b	4	0	2	0	Trout cf	3	2	2	2
Stanton rf	3	0	0	0	Pujols 1b	3	0	0	1
Ozuna cf	4	0	0	0	ENavrr pr-1b	1	0	0	0
McGeh 3b	4	0	1	0	JHmltn lf	4	0	2	1
RJhnsn dh	4	0	0	0	Cowgill lf	0	0	0	0
Hchvrr ss	3	1	3	1	HKndrc dh	4	0	0	0
Solano 2b	4	0	0	0	Aybar ss	3	0	1	0
Mathis c	3	0	0	0	Freese 3b	3	0	0	0
					JMcDnl 3b	1	1	0	0
					Iannett c	4	0	0	0
					GBckh 2b	4	2	2	2
Totals	33	1	7	1	Totals	35	6	8	6

Miami .... 001 000 000—1
Los Angeles .... 003 100 11x—6

E—McGehee (6), Cishek (2). LOB—Miami 7, Los Angeles 9. 2B—J.Hamilton (20). 3B—Je.Baker (4). HR—Hechavarria (1), Trout (30), G.Beckham (8). CS—Yelich (5).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Miami						
H.Alvarez L,10-6	6 1-3	8	5	5	1	3
A.Ramos	2-3	0	0	0	1	1
Cishek	1	0	1	0	1	0
Los Angeles						
H.Santiago W,4-7	5 2-3	3	1	1	2	6
Jepsen	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Salas	1	1	0	0	0	2
Street	1	2	0	0	0	2

HBP—by H.Alvarez (Aybar). WP—A.Ramos, H.Santiago.
T—2:51. A—34,657 (45,483).

WEDNESDAY'S LATE LINESCORES
PADRES 3, BREWERS 2, 10 INNINGS

Milwaukee .... 000 000 200 0 —2 8 2
San Diego .... 000 000 101 1 —3 11 0

Gallardo, Jeffress (7), W.Smith (8), Fr.Rodriguez (9), Duke (10) and Lucroy; Despaigne, Vincent (8), Quackenbush (9), Thayer (10) and Rivera. W—Thayer 4-3. L—Duke 4-1. HRs—San Diego, Rivera (9).

DODGERS 3, DIAMONDBACKS 1

Los Angeles .... 003 000 000 —3 8 1
Arizona .... 000 100 000 —1 6 0

Kershaw, Jansen (9) and A.Ellis; Miley, O.Perez (7), E.Marshall (7), Ziegler (8) and Gosewisch. W—Kershaw 16-3. L—Miley 7-10. Sv—Jansen (38). HRs—Los Angeles, Van Slyke (10).

GIANTS 4, ROCKIES 2

Colorado .... 000 010 001 —2 5 1
San Francisco .... 000 100 102 —4 10 2

F.Morales, Masset (7), B.Brown (7), Friedrich (8), Nicasio (9) and McKenry, Ja.Williams; T.Hudson, Casilla (9) and Posey. W—Casilla 2-3. L—Nicasio 5-6. HRs—Colorado, Co.Dickerson (20). San Francisco, Posey (16).

NFL PRESEASON

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	3	1	0	.750	69	63
New England	2	2	0	.500	91	81
N.Y. Jets	2	2	0	.500	69	99
Buffalo	1	4	0	.200	63	104
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	2	2	0	.500	63	96
Tennessee	2	2	0	.500	71	83
Jacksonville	1	3	0	.250	61	67
Indianapolis	0	4	0	.000	60	98
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	4	0	0	1.000	105	63
Cincinnati	2	2	0	.500	110	86
Pittsburgh	1	3	0	.250	56	77
Cleveland	1	3	0	.250	82	83
West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	3	1	0	.750	99	37
Oakland	1	2	0	.333	54	67
San Diego	1	2	0	.333	48	69
Kansas City	1	3	0	.250	83	131

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	5	0	0	1.000	115	92
Washington	3	1	0	.750	88	62
Philadelphia	2	2	0	.500	131	104
Dallas	0	4	0	.000	60	116
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	3	1	0	.750	93	87
Atlanta	2	2	0	.500	64	80
Carolina	2	2	0	.500	63	66
Tampa Bay	1	3	0	.250	61	74
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Minnesota	4	0	0	1.000	89	49
Detroit	3	1	0	.750	75	51
Green Bay	3	1	0	.750	102	62
Chicago	2	2	0	.500	73	114
West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Seattle	2	1	0	.667	91	41
San Francisco	2	2	0	.500	64	77
Arizona	1	2	0	.333	73	49
St. Louis	1	3	0	.250	77	75

Thursday's Scores
Atlanta 24, Jacksonville 14
Green Bay 34, Kansas City 14
Detroit 23, Buffalo 0
Cincinnati 35, Indianapolis 7
Philadelphia 37, N.Y. Jets 7
Miami 14, St. Louis 13
N.Y. Giants 16, New England 13
Carolina 10, Pittsburgh 0
Washington 24, Tampa Bay 10
San Francisco 40, Houston 13
Baltimore 22, New Orleans 13
Denver 27, Dallas 3
Minnesota 19, Tennessee 3
Cleveland 33, Chicago 13
Arizona at San Diego, late
Seattle at Oakland, late

TEXAS BOXES
BRONCOS 27, COWBOYS 3

Denver	7	3	14	3—27
Dallas	0	3	0	0—3

First Quarter
Den—Anderson 1 run (McManus kick), 2:06.
Second Quarter
Dal—FG Bailey 24, 10:45.
Den—FG McManus 20, :00.
Third Quarter
Den—Bibbs 3 run (McManus kick), 11:21.
Den—Bibbs 9 run (McManus kick), 3:18.
Fourth Quarter
Den—FG McManus 40, :34.
A—77,922.

	Den	Dal
First downs	19	12
Total Net Yards	357	165
Rushes-yards	39-130	19-47
Passing	227	118
Comp-Att-Int	13-20-0	17-29-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-6	4-43
Punts	4-49.3	7-46.9
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	6-40	10-80
Time of Possession	31:36	28:24

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Denver, Thompson 13-41, Anderson 14-33, Bibbs 7-32, Osweiler 2-29, Dysert 3-(minus 5). Dallas, Tanner 8-26, Weeden 3-13, Adams 7-10, Vaughan 1-(minus 2).
PASSING—Denver, Osweiler 9-13-0-190, Dysert 4-7-0-43. Dallas, Vaughan 11-17-0-86, Weeden 6-12-1-75.
RECEIVING—Denver, Burse 4-65, Latimer 3-66, Moreah 3-52, Caldwell 1-34, Tamme 1-12, Thompson 1-4. Dallas, Adams 5-35, Byrd 4-56, Hanna 3-20, Newsome 2-26, Briscoe 2-13, Street 1-11.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—Denver, McManus 52 (WR), 54 (WR).

49ERS 40, TEXANS 13

San Francisco	0	14	10	16—40
Houston	3	3	7	0—13

First Quarter
Hou—FG Boswell 41, 2:20.
Second Quarter
Hou—FG Bullock 52, 6:46.
SF—Cleveland 14 pass from Gabbert (Dawson kick), 1:18.
SF—Ellington 13 pass from J.Johnson (Dawson kick), :34.
Third Quarter
SF—FG Dawson 28, 9:04.
SF—Borland 34 interception return (Dawson kick), 8:45.
Hou—Hal 77 interception return (Bullock kick), 2:19.
Fourth Quarter
SF—Nelson 5 pass from J.Johnson (Dawson kick), 10:14.
SF—Osgood safety, 8:52.
SF—Nelson 2 pass from J.Johnson (Dawson kick), 6:20.
A—71,408.

	SF	Hou
First downs	21	10
Total Net Yards	377	155
Rushes-yards	39-191	19-44
Passing	186	111
Comp-Att-Int	18-28-1	16-29-2
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-9	1-2
Punts	5-44.0	6-38.3
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	6-54	3-30
Time of Possession	36:17	23:43

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—San Francisco, Winston 11-55, Al.Smith 12-44, James 6-39, J.Johnson 6-34, Gabbert 2-11, Hyde 2-8. Houston, Grimes 8-33, Opurum 3-9, Savage 1-4, R.Brown 3-1, Blue 4-(minus 3).
PASSING—San Francisco, J.Johnson 14-17-1-135, Gabbert 4-11-0-60. Houston, Keenum 8-17-1-70, Savage 8-12-1-43.
RECEIVING—San Francisco, Nelson 5-15, Al.Smith 4-27, Lewis 3-61, Ellington 3-35, Carrier 1-32, Cleveland 1-14, Patton 1-11. Houston, Posey 4-24, Martin 3-24, Blue 2-26, Nwachukwu 2-6, Grimes 1-11, Labhart 1-9, Fiedorowicz 1-5, R.Brown 1-4, Griffin 1-4.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.

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FROM STAFF REPORTS

NON-DISTRICT COLLEYVILLE HERITAGE VS. ABILENE HIGH

When/Where: 7:30 p.m. Shotwell Stadium, Abilene
On the air: KZQQ (AM 1560), Abilene
2013 Records: Abilene High 3-7, Colleyville Heritage 8-3
Weather Forecast: High of 94 with a 40 percent chance of thunderstorms

Three things you need to know

■ The Eagles had a tough time finding consistent production at running back last season until Abram Smith moved up to varsity for the final two games of the season. He rushed for 287 yards and six touchdowns in that stretch, igniting a spark in the backfield in what was an otherwise poor season. But can he do it over a full varsity season? The game with a potent Colleyville Heritage team is his first chance to show it.

■ Last year Abilene was efficient on offense, posting 38 points per game. But the defense left much to be desired, and the secondary was its biggest issue. Colleyville is a stout offensive team, and it will be interesting to see how a revamped secondary will perform.

■ With head coach Mike Fuller moving to Decatur, the Panthers brought in former Austin Westlake and Odessa Permian coach Darren Allman as his replacement. It's a strong move to snag him from the 5A power that is Westlake, and it will be interesting to see how the Panthers perform under a new head man. They have a new QB under center after Griffin Pickler moved on to Southeast Missouri, which will be the team's biggest obstacle to early-season success.

Next: Abilene High at San Antonio Warren, 7:30 p.m., Sept. 5; Colleyville Heritage vs. Grapevine, 7:30 p.m., Sept. 5

DEL RIO AT SAN ANGELO CENTRAL

When/Where: 7:30 p.m. San Angelo Stadium
On the air: KIXY (94.7 FM) San Angelo
2013 Records: San Angelo Central 10-2, Del Rio 3-8
Weather Forecast: High of 94 with a 20 percent chance of showers

Three things you need to know

■ The Bobcats were strong defensively last season, and that should only continue in 2014 with seven starters back on that side of the ball. The unit is led by first-team all-district linebacker Lance Ward and Eli Howard at defensive end. Expect the group to be stingy for most of the year.

■ The Bobcats have a lot of returning experience at their skill positions, but the lines on both sides of the ball are a little green. In order for quarterback Braden Hucks to spread the ball to a talented set of receivers, his o-line needs to give him time. The defense is expected to carry the team in 2014, and the line needs to be the unit's foundation.

■ San Angelo Central surprised many last season with a 10-2 record and a share of the district 2-5A championship. Now the hard part begins, not only meeting the elevated expectations once again, but exceeding them. Today's test against Del Rio will be the first chance to show last year wasn't a fluke.

Next: San Angelo Central vs. Byron Nelson at AT&T Stadium in Arlington, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 5; Del Rio at Winn, 7 p.m. Sept. 5

LUBBOCK MONTEREY AT ODESSA HIGH

When/Where: 7:30 p.m. Ratliff Stadium, Odessa
On the air: KICKS (99.1 FM) Odessa
2013 Records: Odessa High 6-6, Lubbock Monterey 3-8
Weather Forecast: High of 92 with a 20 percent chance of rain

Three things you need to know

■ The backup is now the starter for Odessa High as Nick Adams takes over for the graduated Ryan Martinez at quarterback. The junior threw for 149 yards last year, but now it's up to him to lead an offense with just six starters returning.

■ Defense was the Bronchos strength last season, and with an inexperienced offense, it's expected to be so again this year. Their front seven is experienced and their secondary fast, with the only element lacking size. But can the group be great? It may have to be for the Bronchos to return to the playoffs this season.

■ Things are looking up for the Plainsmen in 2014, in large part thanks to new coach Wayne Hutchinson. The former Stamford head coach has won two straight Class A Division I state titles, and he's looking to bring the same success to the 6A level. Will the small-school success translate to wins in 6A? The first indication will come tonight.

Next: Odessa High at El Paso Montwood, 7:30 p.m, Sept. 5; Lubbock Montery at Herford, 7:30 p.m., Sept. 5

SAN ANGELO LAKE VIEW VS. ANDREWS

When/where: 7:30 p.m., Mustang Bowl, Andrews
On the air: KACT FM (105.5), KACT AM (1360), Andrews
2013 Records: Andrews 5-7; Lake View 4-7
Last meeting: Andrews def. Lake View, 32-30, last year
Weather forecast: High of 92 with a 20 percent chance of rain

Three things you need to know

■ Third-year Andrews coach Ralph Mason said he saw some good things from his team during scrimmages against Greenwood and Denver City. He said offensively, he liked the way they were able to drive the ball, move the chains and overcome penalties. On defense, he said the kids look to have a better understanding of the system in their second year of running it.

■ Mason said the Chiefs look much improved from last year, and they will be led by senior dual-threat QB Nick Martinez, who rushed for 741 yards, passed for 439 yards and accounted for 16 total touchdowns out of the Chiefs' spread offense.

■ Mason said the keys for his team are to move the chains and avoid turnovers on offense, while on defense he said his team must stay consistent and make sure they take care of their individual responsibilities.

Next: Andrews at Lubbock High, 2 p.m. Sept. 6; Fort Stockton at San Angelo Lake View, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 5

STANTON VS. KERMIT

When/where: 7:30 p.m., Walton Field, Kermit
2013 Records: Stanton 5-6; Kermit 3-6
Last meeting: Kermit defeated Stanton, 20-0, in 1941
Weather forecast: High of 96 with a 20 percent chance of rain

Three things you need to know

■ Stanton coach John Peterson said he's excited to see how his team performs for four full quarters in real-game action compared to scrimmages and practices. Peterson said the team used its only scrimmage against Forsan to get used to the game speed. Peterson said the scrimmage against Reagan County got canceled because of lightning.

■ Peterson said the Yellow Jackets have some speed and like to spread the ball all over the place on offense, while they swarm to the football out of their 3-3 Stack defense.

■ Peterson said OT/DT Donovan Armendariz has been lost for a few weeks with a hand injury.

Next: Stanton at Wink, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 5; Pecos at Kermit, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 5

NO. 14 RANKIN AT NO. 11 BALMORHEA

When/where: 7:30 p.m. Bear Stadium, Balmorhea
2013 Records: Rankin 9-2, Balmorhea 8-3
Last meeting: Rankin 66, Balmorhea 32 in 2013
Weather forecast: Mostly sunny with a high around 94 degrees and a temperature around 85 expected at game time. There is a 10 percent chance of rain.

Three things you need to know

■ Rankin coach Kevin Ray said he was pleased with his team's final scrimmage against Water Valley last week, especially in how the team brought some emotion to the game. "I think that one big difference that we made was that we brought some emotion and some excitement to that second scrimmage," Ray said. "That's what we've got to have, we've got to play with emotion."

■ Ray said Balmorhea brings some speed to the game as RB Isaiah Mendoza (5-9, 160, Sr.) and QB/S P.J. Iniguez (6-0, 155, Sr.) lead the team's offense. "They are not going to be very deep, but they've got some young, talented kids and they've got a running back that's very dangerous," Ray said.

■ Ray said that they will continue to run the ball, but said they are working on throwing the ball a little more with quarterback K.O. Ray (6-1, 165, Sr.)

Next: Trinity at Rankin, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 5; Balmorhea at Fort Davis, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 5

BROWNFIELD VS. FORT STOCKTON

When/where: 4 p.m. Grande Communications Stadium
2013 Records: Brownfield 5-6, Fort Stockton 3-8
Last meeting: Brownfield def. Fort Stockton, 34-14, in 1995
Weather forecast: Scattered thunderstorms expected with a game time temperature around 4 p.m.

Three things you need to know

■ This game is the first of two on Friday at the ASCO Midland Football Madness and the third game overall in the football festival. It's also the first year that either team has played in the event.

■ Fort Stockton brings an experienced team back for this season and will drop to Division II in what is now Class 4A. QB Luke Singh and S Ernesto Oyervidez are two of 19 returning lettermen overall this season. Fort Stockton will compete in District 2-4A Division II.

■ Brownfield returns 10 starters on offense and nine on defense from a team that lost in the first round of the Class 2A Division I playoffs in 2013. Among the players to watch this year are WR Jordan Demps (5-9, 155, Sr.) and LB Michael Alexander (6-0, 191, Sr.)

Next: Fort Stockton at San Angelo Lake View, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 5; Greenwood at Brownfield, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 5

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REBELS

From 1C

Football Madness between Greenwood and Seminole.

Defense ruled the first half with the score tied at 7; the two touchdowns for the squads came after turnovers. Lee's came after a Dedrick Strambler interception on Keller's first possession, while Keller's came on the 11-yard fumble return by Garrett Blubaugh in the second quarter.

But in the second half the game started to open up.

Keller's Cameron Johnson returned the opening kickoff of the second half 87 yards for a touchdown to give Keller its first and only lead of the game. But Lee's offense responded with a five-play, 44-yard drive that ended with a 5-yard run by Dobbins to tie it at 14.

Dobbins gave Lee a lead with his third touchdown of the game at the 5:11 mark of the third quarter for a 21-14 lead.

Keller (0-1), though, responded by scoring on a four-play drive after a Lee fumble, which ended with an 8-yard TD run by Tyler Tutt. But the Indians missed the extra point, and Lee held a 21-20 lead and led for the rest of the game.

Keller had 231 total yards, including 57 on the ground and 174 through the air.

"I think what the defense did was give us a chance," Lee head coach James Morton said. "We had some miscues offensively, but to get the big turnover from Strambler to start it ... that gave us a little bit of a shot for us to score. They just kept hanging in there."

The two teams traded fourth-quarter touchdowns as Lee (1-0) took a 28-20 lead on a Juwan Lee 16-yard touchdown catch from Jon Schwalbach. Keller responded with a quick-strike drive as Johnson caught a 36-yard pass from Griffin, who completed 19-of-33 passes for 131 yards. But the two-point conversion pass was intercepted, denying the Indians the two points.

Then Dobbins rushed for 40 yards on the next drive with his 11-yard carry on third-and-10 icing the game in the final seconds.

"Our offensive line had been laying great the whole night, and the coaches said, 'Dobbins you got to get it for us.'" Dobbins said. "Our offensive line was amazing the whole game."

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LEE 28, KELLER 26

Keller	0	7	13	6 —26
Lee	7	0	14	7 —28

First Quarter
LEE — Aron Dobbins 1 run (Mac Barden kick)
Second Quarter
KEL — Garrett Blubaugh 11 fumble return (Ryan Harris kick)
Third Quarter
KEL — Cameron Johnson 87 kickoff return (Harris kick)
LEE — Dobbins 5 run (Barden kick)
LEE — Dobbins 2 run (Barden kick), 5:11
KEL — Tyler Tutt 8 run (kick failed), 1:45
Fourth Quarter
LEE — Juwan Lee 16 pass from Jon Schwalbach (Barden kick), 5:31
KEL — Johnson 36 pass from Caleb Griffin (pass failed), 2:59

	KHS	LEE
First Downs	15	15
Rushes-Yards	27-57	51-120
Passing Yards	174	113
Comp.-Att.-Int.	21-33-1	9-19-2
Punts-Avg.	4-28.8	5-35.4
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-1
Penalties-Yds.	10-77	5-39

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING - Keller, Tyler Tutt 19-59, Caleb Griffin 6-18, Cameron Jones 1-(-2), Dillon Smith 1-1, Tanni 1-(-16); Lee, Jon Schwalbach 11-9, Aron Dobbins 35-119, Terry Sims 2-6, Juwan Lee 1-19, Team 3-(-25).
PASSING - Keller, Griffin 19-33-1—131, Logan Mitchell 2-2-0-43; Lee, Schwalbach 9-19-2-113.
RECEIVING - Keller, Dillon Smith 10-91, Cameron Johnson 2-37, Connor Kibbe 2-18, Tutt 5-15, Griffin 1-21, Phil Young 1-22; Lee, Christian Rodriguez 1-14, Juwan Lee 4-58, Dobbins 1-2, Kaleb Nunez 2-28.
MISSED FIELD GOALS - Keller, 36 (Luke Hogan short).
INTERCEPTIONS - Keller, Garrett Blubaugh, 1-0; Mason Ohendalski 1-0; Lee, Dedrick Strambler 1-10.

BULLDOGS

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keeping the same personnel on the field. It permits a team to still defend opponents at the point of attack with a strong front four, but have extra defenders on the field capable of covering receivers in the passing game.

Each 4-2-5 scheme features different looks, so the MHS offense won't see an exact replica of the defense they face each day. But, the basic ideas are the same, which has helped the Midland High coaches in preparation for the contest.

Lopez

"I feel pretty confident as far as the game plan," MHS head coach Craig Yenzer said. "We've been able to coordinate that, and working against our defense has really helped. We've really had an extended time to be able to show our players how we want to handle things."

The plan, at least to start, is to stay balanced against the Rangers' defensive fronts. Smithson Valley is sound in staying in its gaps and lanes in zone coverage, so the Bulldogs will probe against Smithson Valley's formations early to get a feel for the way the Rangers are defending.

The most important piece of information for the Bulldogs to pick up on each play is which side of the field has the third defensive back. That way Midland High can attack the secondary on the side with just two defenders.

To date, the Bulldog offense has had 35 to 40 practices to see and find ways to combat the 4-2-5 defense.

"It's nothing they haven't seen before," said Midland High running backs coach Ector Lopez. "As far as the defense, they should feel real comfortable seeing it."

This won't be the last time the Bulldogs face a 4-2-5 defense this year. Yenzer said both L.D. Bell and San Angelo Central run a variation of the scheme. But with a first game defined by nerves and bright lights, the familiarity against it is sure to help the offense.

"(Facing that defense) gets us better and ready more than any other game would," Goodrum said.

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MIDLAND HIGH VS. SMITHSON VALLEY

When/where: 7:30 p.m. at Grande Communications Stadium
On the air: KNFM (92.3 FM)
2013 Records: Midland High 5-5, Smithson Valley 10-1
Last Meeting/Series: This is the first meeting between the two schools.
Weather Forecast: High of 92 with a 20 percent chance of showers.

Five things you need to know

■ There was a quarterback battle for the starting job throughout spring and fall camp between senior Ryan Goodrum and junior Brady Bolger. Entering the Bulldogs' first game of the year, it's totally settled with Goodrum emerging as the clear starter. That's a good thing for Midland High, as the senior is well in control of the offense and in his leadership of the team. He's a potentially potent passer with a strong arm and good all-around knowledge of the offense. Notably, Goodrum set single-game passing records last season against Lubbock Coronado, when he threw for 418 yards and five touchdowns.

■ MHS head coach Craig Yenzer did not schedule a cupcake game for the Bulldogs' opener. Smithson Valley is consistently among the best teams in the San Antonio area. They went undefeated in the regular season last year before being upset in a close contest in the first round of the playoffs. Yenzer said the Rangers are well coached, and are just made up of "a lot of really good football players." It's the type of team that won't beat itself, so MHS will have to be at its best to earn a victory in its season opener.

■ There are a number of starting positions not yet settled for MHS entering the regular-season opener. Cornerback, defensive end, the team's dwag safety spot and kick returner are still spots potentially up in the air. Some positions have one guaranteed starter, such as Britt Boler at dwag and Jeremiah Sullivan at corner. Expect a lot of these questions from the coaching staff to be answered tonight.

■ As expected from one of the most consistent teams in the state, Smithson Valley can, and will, run the ball often for effective yardage. Its top two rushers from last year are gone, but Cord Given (489 yards, 4 TDs) is expected to pick up the slack at running back. The Rangers run a lot of power sets, including an effective set of option plays, which will test the Bulldogs' aggressive front seven to remain in their gaps.

■ Combined, Yenzer and Smithson Valley head coach Larry Hill have served at their respective schools as head coach for 35 years, with each finding high levels of success. Under Hill, the Rangers have reached the state finals three times (2001, 2002, 2004) and have won 12 district championships. Yenzer led the Bulldogs to the state title game in 2002 along with seven career playoff appearances. Yenzer and Hill know each other well, and this game will be a matchup of two of the most tenured coaches in the state.

Next: Midland High at El Paso Montwood, 5 p.m., Sept. 5; Smithson Valley at Brennan, 7 p.m., Sept. 4.

RIVALRY

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said Coahoma's fifth-year coach Trey Gardner. "It's not about who's better or who's worst before you step on that field. It's a rivalry game and these kids know each other well."

So well, in fact, that Gardner said even when they've watched game film on Forsan without the players displaying numbers on their jerseys, his players can identify the Buffaloes without hesitation.

Forsan's fifth-year coach Jason Phillips said the kids knowing each other so well is a reason why this rivalry is special.

"Number one, our kids and their kids and our fans and their fans grow up together and play little league sports together," Phillips said. "They go to church together, and in the past we've had cousins playing each other."

With such a rivalry, it must be intense on the sidelines, right?

"It's intense and Coach Gardner and I have a good working relationship," Phillips said. "But for a couple of hours, they're throwing their best at us and we're throwing our best at them to beat them. If each team goes 9-1 the rest of the season, we'll be rooting for each other. But we just want that one loss to be against us."

For the last two seasons, Forsan has been on the winning end of this rivalry, and the loss last year still has Coahoma kicking itself.

"We felt like we were our own worst enemy," Gardner said. "Mistakes hurt us bad, and part of the issue is that we had some young kids on the field. We had six or seven guys that had never played on a Friday night. We've got a lot of returning players this year, so we won't have that same issue this week."

Forsan went on to make the playoffs in Class A Division I, while Coahoma stumbled to a 1-9 record last season.

Coahoma will look to not only break its two-game slide against the Buffaloes, but hopes it can get some confidence for the rest of the season.

"We're starving for this win," Melendez said. "To be successful, we need to work on our special teams and not worry about shooting ourselves in the foot. We need to make everything count in this game."

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COAHOMA VS. FORSAN

When/where: 7:30 p.m., Memorial Stadium, Big Spring
On the air: KBEST (95.7 FM), Big Spring
2013 Records: Coahoma 1-9; Forsan 4-7
Last meeting/series: Coahoma owns a 15-12 record in the all-time series, but Forsan won last year, 17-14, at Grande Communications Stadium
Weather forecast: Temperature of 89 with a 10 percent chance of rain

Five things you need to know

■ Forsan will be the designated home team.

■ Coahoma coach Trey Gardner said that junior WB/DB Paul Cortez has been lost for the season with a knee injury and is expected to have surgery sometime next week. Cortez was expected to play a big role on both sides of the ball for the Bulldogs.

"Even with that injury, he hasn't missed a practice, and he will try to use him as motivational leader as much as we can," said Gardner of Cortez.

■ Forsan coach Jason Phillips said he expects Coahoma to be its same physical self tonight, as the Bulldogs will look to run the football "down your throat."

■ Gardner said the Buffaloes will counter with speed and it will be important for his team to hang on to the football and not let the Buffaloes get to the edge.

■ This game will feature a Class 3A vs. Class 2A matchup as Coahoma is in District 3-3A Division II this year, while Forsan is in 3-2A Division I.

Next: McCamey at Coahoma, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 5; Forsan at Plains, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 5

HS FOOTBALL

THURSDAY'S SCORES
CLASS 6A
Katy Seven Lakes 27, Fort Bend Travis 16
Laredo United South 20, Laredo Nixon 0
PSJA Memorial 35, La Joya Juarez-Lincoln 0
Wolfforth Frenship 59, EP Burges 7
CLASS 5A
Canyon Randall 21, Plainview 0
Carrollton Turner 61, Dallas Moline 0
Dallas Adams 41, Dallas Roosevelt 7
Frisco Lone Star 83, Sherman 0
McKinney North 45, Carrollton Smith 16
Rosenberg Terry 35, College Station 19
SA Harlandale 17, Deatre 7
CLASS 3A
Mart 41, Goldthwaite 14
CLASS A
Lefors 63, Happy JV 34
PRIVATE SCHOOLS
Dallas Bishop Lynch 55, Dallas Carter 8
SA Central Catholic 35, SA Lanier 0
WF Christian 47, Alton Patton Springs 0
OTHER
Gholson,41, Penelope 12

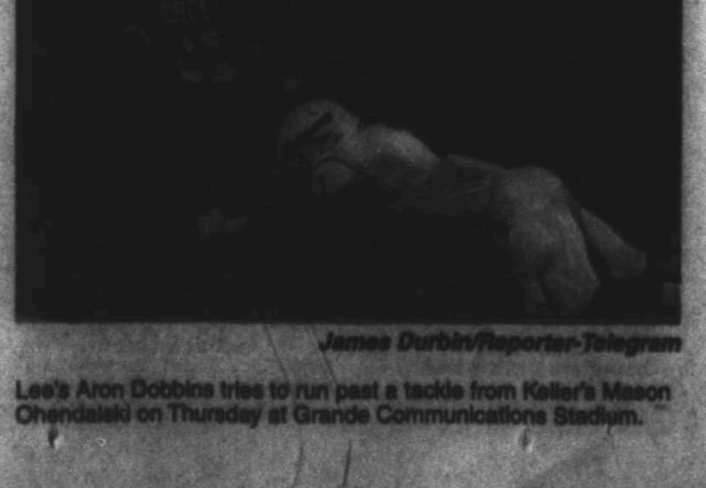
AP TOP 10 HS FOOTBALL
Class 6A
1. Allen (0-0) at Denton Guyer, today.
2. Katy (0-0) at Humble Kingwood, today.
3. Cedar Hill (0-0) at Dallas South Oak Cliff, today.
4. DeSoto (0-0) vs. Arlington Martin, today.
5. Euless Trinity (0-0) vs. Eastern Christian, Md., today.
6. Southlake Carroll (0-0) vs. Austin Westlake, today.
7. Denton Guyer (0-0) vs. Allen, today.
8. Cibolo Steele (0-0) at SA Madison, today.
9. Lake Travis (0-0) vs. Hewitt Midway (Waco), today.
10. Pearland (0-0) at The Woodlands College Park, today.

Class 5A
1. Aledo (0-0) vs. Cedar Park, today.
2. Ennis (0-0) at Mansfield Timberview, today.
3. Longview (0-0) at Lufkin, today.
4. ABM Consolidated (0-0) at Copperas Cove, today.
5. Cedar Park (0-0) at Aledo, today.
6. Brenham (0-0) at Houston Lamar, today.
7. Temple (0-0) vs. Round Rock, today.
8. Tyler (0-0) vs. Plano, today.
9. Richmond George Ranch (0-0) at Pearland Dawson, today.
10. Mansfield Timberview (0-0) vs. Ennis, today.

Class 4A
1. Stephenville (0-0) vs. South Anchorage., today.
2. Navasota (0-0) vs. Nuevo Leon, Mexico, Saturday.
3. Graham (0-0) vs. Vernon, today.
4. Carthage (0-0) at Hallsville, today.
5. La Marque (0-0) vs. Galveston Ball, Thursday.
6. Argyle (0-0) vs. Abilene Wylie, today.
7. West Orange-Stark (0-0) at Little Cypress-Mauriceville, today.
8. Gilmer (0-0) vs. Texarkana Liberty-Eylau, Thursday.
9. Kilgore (0-0) at Nacogdoches, today.
10. Celina (0-0) vs. Argyle Liberty Christian, today.

Class 3A
1. Cisco (0-0) vs. Breckenridge, today.
2. Hallsville (0-0) at West Columbia, today.
3. Cameron Yoe (0-0) at Waco Connally, today.
4. Weslaco (0-0) vs. Center, today.
5. Newton (0-0) at Tatum, today.
6. Wall (0-0) at Llano, today.
7. New Boston (0-0) at Atlanta, today.
8. Daingerfield (0-0) vs. Gladewater, today.
9. Franklin (0-0) vs. Rogers, today.
10. Rockdale (0-0) vs. Smithville, today.

Class 2A
1. Refugio (0-0) at Hebbronville, today.
2. Mart (1-0) beat Goldthwaite 41-14.
3. Tenaha (0-0) at Joaquin, today.
4. Albany (0-0) vs. Colorado City, today.
5. Hico (0-0) vs. Dublin, Thursday.
6. Canadian (0-0) at Bushland, today.
7. Bremond (0-0) vs. Hearne, today.
8. Centerville (0-0) at Corrigan-Camden, today.
9. Stinnett (0-0) at Vanderbilt Industrial, today.
10. Falls City (0-0) vs. D'Hanis, today.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Lee's Aron Dobbins tries to run past a tackle from Keller's Mason Ohendalski on Thursday at Grande Communications Stadium.

Williams overcomes 3 early double-faults to win

By Howard Fendrich
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NEW YORK — Good as she is, even Serena Williams can find it tough to deal with swirling wind, so much so that she double-faulted three times in her first service game Thursday at the U.S. Open.

And, yes, even a 17-time major champion such as Williams can lose in the early going at the sport's biggest tournaments, as she has repeatedly in 2014.

Quickly putting behind a poor-serving start, and showing absolutely no other signs of the type of up-and-down play that has plagued her at Grand Slams this season, Williams dismissed 81st-ranked American Vania King 6-1, 6-0 in 56 minutes to reach the third round.

"She never let me in," said King, who is 25. "She's played at such a high level for so long, and I used to watch when I was a kid, growing up. So it's kind of surreal to see the person that you've been watching on TV in front of you and playing. It was difficult."

While buzz around the tournament grounds built all day waiting for 15-year-old CiCi Bellis to play her second-round match at night — she wound up losing — Williams ran her U.S. Open winning streak to 16 matches as she tries to become the first woman to win three consecutive titles at Flushing Meadows since Chris Evert took four in a row from 1975-78.

For the moment, the 32-year-old Williams wants to stay focused on avoiding the sort of problems she had at the Australian Open (where she lost in the fourth round), French Open (second round) and Wimbledon (third round). Not since 2006 has she failed to reach at least one major final in a year — and she only entered two Slams that season.

So far this week, she's left the trouble to others, and Williams could wind up being the beneficiary. A pair of other past major champions, No. 8 Ana Ivanovic and No. 24 Sam Stosur, lost Thursday, as did No. 23 Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova and No. 27 Madison Keys, bringing the total to 11 seeded women gone after only two rounds.

That included No. 12 Dominika Cibulkova, the Australian Open runner-up who was surprisingly defeated Tuesday by Bellis, the youngest player to win a match at the U.S. Open since Anna Kournikova in 1996. Bellis, a Californian ranked 1,208th and playing in her first tour-level event, lost Thursday in three sets to 48th-ranked Zarina Diyas of Kazakhstan.

In other action under the lights, 2012 U.S. Open champion Andy Murray won in straight sets, before Wimbledon finalist Eugenie Bouchard faced Sorana Cirstea in the day's last match.

Williams could have faced Stosur — the woman who beat her in the 2011 U.S. Open final — in the fourth round, and 2008 French Open winner Ivanovic in the quarterfinals.

"You always hear about who is winning, who is losing. You hear about upsets. But for me, especially lately, I have to worry about my first round, my second round, and my third round. I can't get too far ahead of myself," Williams said.

"I was a casualty before, so ... I can't make anything of it," she said of the rash of seeded losers. "At this point, I'm trying to stay alive."

After her singles victory, Williams went out and paired with older sister Venus for a first-round win in doubles. She last time Serena was seen competing in doubles at a major, last month at Wimbledon, she looked disoriented in warmups, then served four consecutive double-faults and quit after three games, saying she was ill.

Ivanovic had seven double-faults among her whopping 29 unforced errors in a 7-5, 6-4 loss to 42nd-ranked Karolina Pliskova of the Czech Republic, who occasionally plays doubles with her twin sister and never had been to the third round at a major.

Ivanovic, a former No. 1, wraps up 2014 with only one major quarterfinal to her credit, at the Australian Open.

"I had great lead-ups to every Grand Slam. I played a lot of matches and won lot of matches," she said. "At the Grand Slams I just haven't performed that well."

Stosur, meanwhile, was edged 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 (8) by 50th-ranked Kaia Kanepi of Estonia.

There have been fewer surprises among the men so far, and only one seeded player was sent packing Thursday afternoon, when No. 28 Guillermo Garcia-Lopez of Spain was defeated by Sam Querrey of the United States 6-3, 6-4, 6-4.

Querrey now faces an even tougher task: He takes on No. 1-ranked and No. 1-seeded Novak Djokovic.

Among the noteworthy results Thursday was the 7-6 (2), 4-6, 6-4, 6-2 win by Victor Estrella Burgos of the Dominican Republic against Borna Coric of Croatia. Playing in the U.S. Open for the first time at age 34, Estrella Burgos eliminated a player half his age in the 17-year-old Coric.

FedEx Cup: Where a week can change everything

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

NORTON, Mass. — Stuart Appleby knows how one week can change everything during the FedEx Cup playoffs.

Geoff Ogilvy can only hope he's next.

Ogilvy was the 100th and final player to get into the Deutsche Bank Championship, the second of four playoff events. He's a long shot to get to the next tournament, and the odds are even longer for him to reach the Tour Championship in Atlanta for a shot at the $10 million. But at least he's playing.

"I can still win the FedEx Cup sitting here right now," Ogilvy said Thursday. "I'm sure I'm the longest shot there is in the field — statistically — but everyone still can. You've just got get to that last one. So I'm still in it."

Appleby had not come close to winning all year. He had two top 10s, but never started the final round closer than five shots at any tournament. He was No. 98 when the FedEx Cup playoffs began last week at The Barclays. He opened with a 73 and was outside the cut line, one round away from the end of his season.

He strung together three good rounds, closed with a 65 to tie for second and look him at now. Because the points are worth five times the value as the regular season, Appleby vaulted 79 spots to No. 19. If he can stay in the top 30 the next two weeks — and the odds are in his favor — he will be at East Lake for the Tour Championship and get into all four majors for the first time in five years.

"If I could play well whenever I wanted, last week would have been good timing," Appleby said. "And last week, that's how it panned out. It's certainly given me a large spike in ranking, and it's given me much more of a dream to get back to Atlanta to play the Tour Championship, which enables a lot more golf events to select from. And that's been a plan of mine — to get back into the cool crowd.

"I still have a bit of work to do yet."

That's what these playoffs are all about. Golf typically has only one winner each week. The FedEx Cup can make the losers feel like winners.

The Deutsche Bank Championship begins today and ends on Labor Day, with the top 70 advancing to the third playoff event next week in Denver. This the shortest field ever with only 93 players. Four players are taking the week off for various reasons, two are injured (Jason Dufner and Tim Clark) and Dustin Johnson is on "voluntary leave."

Except for having his name called for random drug testing on Thursday, Ogilvy was simply happy to be at the TPC Boston.

He started the playoffs at No. 90 and missed the cut at The Barclays. Ogilvy figured his season was over when he flew home to Arizona, except that when he woke up Saturday morning, he saw his name bouncing from No. 98 to No. 103 in the projected standings.

And then, everything fell his way. Troy Merritt missed a 10-foot par putt on the final hole Sunday to fall into a tie for 47th at 2-under 282. Jerry Kelly looked like he might finish at 282 (that would have given Merritt a few more points), except that he got up-and-down for par on the last hole. Brendon Todd was at 2 under and headed for a bogey that would have helped Merritt, only to make a 15-foot par putt.

All that allowed activity allowed Ogilvy to end the week at No. 100, and he was still in the game.

"You can't get to Atlanta without getting here," he said. "If I can have a really good week, and move the right direction in the points, you never know what might happen."

Hunter Mahan is coming off a win at The Barclays that moved him from No. 62 to No. 1 in the standings, and might have made it impossible for Tom Watson to ignore him when he selects his three picks for the Ryder Cup on Tuesday.

Rory McIlroy, who won two majors and a World Golf Championship in the last two months, is No. 1 in the world and No. 2 in the FedEx Cup. He's used to that. Two years ago, McIlroy won a major and two FedEx Cup playoff events and still didn't win the $10 million prize.

That can be the maddening part of the FedEx Cup playoffs. But that was the whole idea. This is a free-for-all at the end of the year, weighted toward the best and offering hope to those hanging on a thread — Appleby last week, Ogilvy now.

"If you want these tournaments to be bigger than just the normal tour event, it has to carry some sort of weight like that," Ogilvy said. "If you ask the guy wins the FedEx Cup at the end of the year would he rather have that year or Rory's, I'm sure he would say he'd rather have Rory's. You take two majors over winning the FedEx Cup. You take one major over winning the FedEx Cup."

US OPEN RESULTS

Thursday
At The USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center
New York
Purse: $38.3 million (Grand Slam)
Surface: Hard-Outdoor

Singles

Men

Second Round

Kei Nishikori (10), Japan, def. Pablo Andujar, Spain, 6-4, 6-1, retired.
Philipp Kohlschreiber (22), Germany, def. Michael Llodra, France, 6-2, retired.
Sam Querrey, United States, def. Guillermo Garcia-Lopez (28), Spain, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4.
John Isner (13), United States, def. Jan-Lennard Struff, Germany, 7-6 (5), 6-4, 6-2.
Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (9), France, def. Aleksandr Nedovyesov, Kazakhstan, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4.
Pablo Carreno Busta, Spain, def. Benoit Paire, France, 6-1, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.
Novak Djokovic (1), Serbia, def. Paul-Henri Mathieu, France, 6-1, 6-3, 6-0.
Leonardo Mayer (23), Argentina, def. Matthew Ebden, Australia, 6-1, 6-3, 6-4.
Victor Estrella Burgos, Dominican Republic, def. Borna Coric, Croatia, 7-6 (2), 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.
Milos Raonic (8), Canada, def. Peter Gojowczyk, Germany, 7-6 (4), 5-7, 6-4, 7-6 (3).
Tommy Robredo (16), Spain, def. Simone Bolelli, Italy, 5-7, 6-7 (5), 6-4, 6-3, 6-2.
Nick Kyrgios, Australia, def. Andreas Seppi, Italy, 6-4, 7-6 (2), 6-4.
Andrey Kuznetsov, Russia, def. Fernando Verdasco (31), Spain, 6-3, 6-8, 4-6, 7-5, 6-3.
Andy Murray (6), Britain, def. Matthias Bachinger, Germany, 6-3, 6-3, 6-4.

Women

Second Round

Flavia Pennetta (11), Italy, def. Shelby Rogers, United States, 6-4, 6-3.
Karolina Pliskova, Czech Republic, def. Ana Ivanovic (8), Serbia, 7-5, 6-4.
Casey Dellacqua (29), Australia, def. Wang Qiang, China, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.
Victoria Azarenka (16), Belarus, def. Christina McHale, United States, 6-3, 6-2.
Serena Williams (1), United States, def. Vania King, United States, 6-1, 6-0.
Varvara Lepchenko, United States, def. Mona Barthel, Germany, 6-4, 6-0.
Elena Vesnina, Russia, def. Marina Erakovic, New Zealand, 7-6, 2-6, 6-4.
Barbora Zahlavova Strycova (30), Czech Republic, def. Monica Niculescu, Romania, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.
Nicole Gibbs, United States, def. Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova (23), Russia, 6-4, 6-7 (6), 6-3.
Petra Kvitova (3), Czech Republic, def. Petra Cetkovska, Czech Republic, 6-4, 6-4.
Carla Suarez Navarro (15), Spain, def. CiCi Vandeweghe, United States, 6-3, 6-3.
Aleksandra Krunic, Serbia, def. Madison Keys (27), United States, 7-6 (4), 2-6, 7-5.
Kaia Kanepi, Estonia, def. Sam Stosur (24), Australia, 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 (8).
Ekaterina Makarova (17), Russia, def. Polona Hercog, Slovenia, 6-1, 6-2.
Zarina Diyas, Kazakhstan, def. CiCi Bellis, United States, 6-3, 0-6, 6-2.
Eugenie Bouchard (7), Canada, def. Sorana Cirstea, Romania, 6-2, 6-7 (4), 6-4.

Doubles

Men

First Round

Vasek Pospisil, Canada, and Jack Sock (8), United States, def. Henri Kontinen and Jarkko Nieminen, Finland, 6-4, 6-4.
Jean-Julien Rojer, Netherlands, and Horia Tecau (9), Romania, def. Jesse Huta Galung, Netherlands, and Rameez Junaid, Australia, 6-4, 6-4.
Marin Draganja, Croatia, and Florin Mergea, Romania, def. Frantisek Cermak and Jaroslav Levinsky, Czech Republic, 2-6, 6-4, 6-0.
Bradley Klahn and Tim Smyczek, United States, def. Austin Krajicek, United States, and John-Patrick Smith, Australia, 2-6, 7-6, 6-4.
Jared Donaldson and Michael Russell, United States, def. Stefan Kozlov and Noah Rubin, United States, 2-6, 7-6 (6), 6-4.
Scott Lipsky and Rajeev Ram, United States, def. Jamie Murray, Britain, and John Peers (15), Australia, 4-6, 7-6 (6), 7-6 (4).
Mikhail Kukushkin, Kazakhstan, and Michael Venus, New Zealand, def. Feliciano Lopez, Spain, and Juan Monaco, Argentina, 6-2, 3-0, retired.
Nicolas Barrientos and Santiago Giraldo, Colombia, def. Andrey Golubev, Kazakhstan, and Denis Istomin, Uzbekistan, 6-4, 7-6 (3).
Alexander Peya, Austria, and Bruno Soares (3), Brazil, def. Massimo Gonzalez and Diego Schwartzman, Argentina, 6-3, 5-7, 6-1.
Dusan Lajovic, Serbia, and Joao Sousa, Portugal, def. Marcos Giron and Kevin King, United States, 6-4, 7-5.
Ivan Dodig, Croatia, and Marcelo Melo (4), Brazil, def. Steve Johnson and Sam Querrey, United States, 7-5, 4-6, 7-6 (5).
Jan-Lennard Struff, Germany, and Dominic Thiem, Austria, def. Lukas Dlouhy, Czech Republic, and Martin Klizan, Slovakia, 7-6, 7-5.

Women

First Round

Darija Jurak, Croatia, and Megan Moulton-Levy, United States, def. Yuliya Beygelzimer, Ukraine, and Yvonne Meusburger, Austria, 6-4, 6-3.
Jelena Jankovic, Serbia, and Klara Koukalova, Czech Republic, def. Shuko Aoyama and Kurumi Nara, Japan, 6-2, 6-1.
Lucie Hradecka, Czech Republic, and Michaella Krajicek, Netherlands (11), def. Teresa Smitkova, Czech Republic, and Stephanie Vogt, Liechtenstein, 6-4, 7-6 (4).
Anabel Medina Garrigues, Spain, and Yaroslava Shvedova (13), Kazakhstan, def. Asia Muhammad and Taylor Townsend, United States, 6-3, 6-1.
Janette Husarova, Slovakia, and Paula Kania, Poland, def. Bojana Jovanovski, Serbia, and Monica Puig, Puerto Rico, 6-4, 6-4.
Hsieh Su-wei, Taiwan, and Peng Shuai (2), China, def. Irina-Camelia Begu, Romania, and Karin Knapp, Italy, 4-6, 7-5, 6-3.
Andrea Hlavackova, Czech Republic, and Zheng Jie (8), China, def. Kiki Bertens, Netherlands, and Shahar Peer, Israel, 6-0, 6-1.
Sara Errani and Roberta Vinci (1), Italy, def. Andreja Klepac, Slovenia, and Marie-Teresa Torro-Flor, Spain, 6-2, 2-6, 6-0.
Alla Kudryavtseva, Russia, and Anastasia Rodionova (9), Australia, def. Raluca Olaru, Romania, and Stefanie Voegele, Switzerland, 6-1, 6-4.
Chan Hao-ching and Chan Yung-jan (14), Taiwan, def. Timea Bacsinszky, Switzerland, and Donna Vekic, Croatia, 6-1, 6-1.
Martina Hingis, Switzerland, and Flavia Pennetta, Italy, def. Andrea Petkovic, Germany, and Magdalena Rybarikova, Slovakia, 6-1, 3-0, retired.
Varvara Lepchenko, United States, and Zheng Saisai, China, def. Jennifer Brady and Samantha Crawford, United States, 6-4, 6-2.
Carolina Garcia, France, and Monica Niculescu, Romania, def. Dominika Cibulkova, Slovakia, and Mirjana Lucic-Baroni, Croatia, 4-3, retired.
Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova, Russia, and Lucie Safarova (15), Czech Republic, def. Belinda Bencic, Switzerland, and Jana Cepelova, Slovakia, 3-6, 7-6 (3), 6-3.
Venus and Serena Williams, United States, def. Timea Babos, Hungary, and Kristina Mladenovic (7), France, 7-6 (8), 6-7 (4), 6-1

Mixed

First Round

Cara Black, Zimbabwe, and Leander Paes (3), India, def. Anna-Lena Grosnefeld, Germany, and Jean-Julien Rojer, Netherlands, 6-3, 4-6, 10-8.
Melanie Oudin and Rajeev Ram, United States, def. Alize Cornet, France, and Treat Huey, Philippines, 6-1, 6-4.
Christina McHale and Stefan Kozlov, United States, def. Julia Georges, Germany, and Nenad Zimonjic (7), Serbia, 7-5, 2-6, 10-10.
Katarina Srebotnik, Slovenia, and Rohan Bopanna (6), India, def. Lauran Davis and Nicholas Monroe, United States, 3-6, 6-2, 10-6.
Casey Dellacqua, Australia, and Jamie Murray, Britain, def. Elina Svitolina, Ukraine, and Florin Mergea, Romania, 3-6, 6-1, 13-11.

After Rice, NFL increases domestic violence bans

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Acknowledging he "didn't get it right" with a two-game suspension for Ravens running back Ray Rice, NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell announced tougher penalties for players accused of domestic violence, including six weeks for a first offense and at least a year for a second.

In a letter sent to all 32 team owners Thursday and obtained by The Associated Press, Goodell never mentions Rice by name but makes clear references to the Baltimore player who was charged with assault after being caught on video dragging his then-fiancee off a casino elevator.

"My disciplinary decision led the public to question our sincerity, our commitment, and whether we understood the toll that domestic violence inflicts on so many families. I take responsibility both for the decision and for ensuring that our actions in the future properly reflect our values," Goodell wrote. "I didn't get it right. Simply put, we have to do better. And we will."

Since January 2000, 77 players have been involved in 85 domestic violence incidents with six being cut by their teams, according to USA Today's NFL Arrests Database. The NFL suspended six players for one game each, and Rice was the second player to be suspended for two games.

Carolina Panthers defensive end Greg Hardy was convicted in July of assaulting his ex-girlfriend and has appealed for a jury trial set for November. His league punishment has not been announced. Goodell's letter doesn't state clearly how the league will handle pending cases and NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said in an email, "Each case will be addressed individually on its merits."

Outrage over Rice's punishment prompted three members of Congress to write to the commissioner asking him to reconsider Rice's suspension; the governor of Maine also threatened to boycott the league, and numerous groups that advocate for women and families condemned the penalty as too lenient.

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TODAY: Partly sunny — High: 90, Low: 74

SATURDAY: Mostly sunny — High: 89, Low: 73

SUNDAY: Sunny — High: 93, Low: 74

MONDAY: Sunny — High: 89, Low: 74

TUESDAY: Sunny — High: 89, Low: 73

WEDNESDAY: Sunny — High: 89, Low: 70

Local forecast

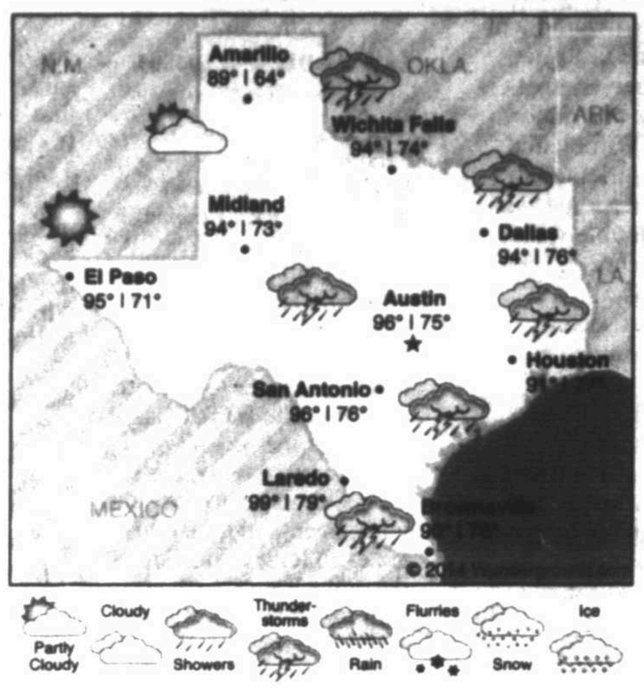
Expect isolated thunderstorms today. The chance for rain is 20 percent throughout the day. On Saturday a 10 percent chance of rain is in the forecast. Beginning Sunday, expect sunny conditions to prevail.

The high on Thursday reached 97, while the low dropped to 73. The record high for Aug. 28 is 103 set in 2002 and 2011. The record low is 59 set in 1992.

Weather Why

Q: Does the West Coast ever get hit by strong wind storms?

A: Yes, but not that often, said Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "What's generally considered to be the worst storm to hit the West Coast was the Columbus Day Storm of 1962," he said. "It's believed to be the strongest storm to hit the area since the 1880s. The storm — and it was a storm, not a hurricane — hit Oregon with 130-mile-per-hour winds, with gusts over 160. Western Washington state also had winds over 90 miles per hour, and Seattle had gusts clocked at over 80 miles per hour. Even in San Francisco, gusts were reported at 60 miles per hour."



Precipitation

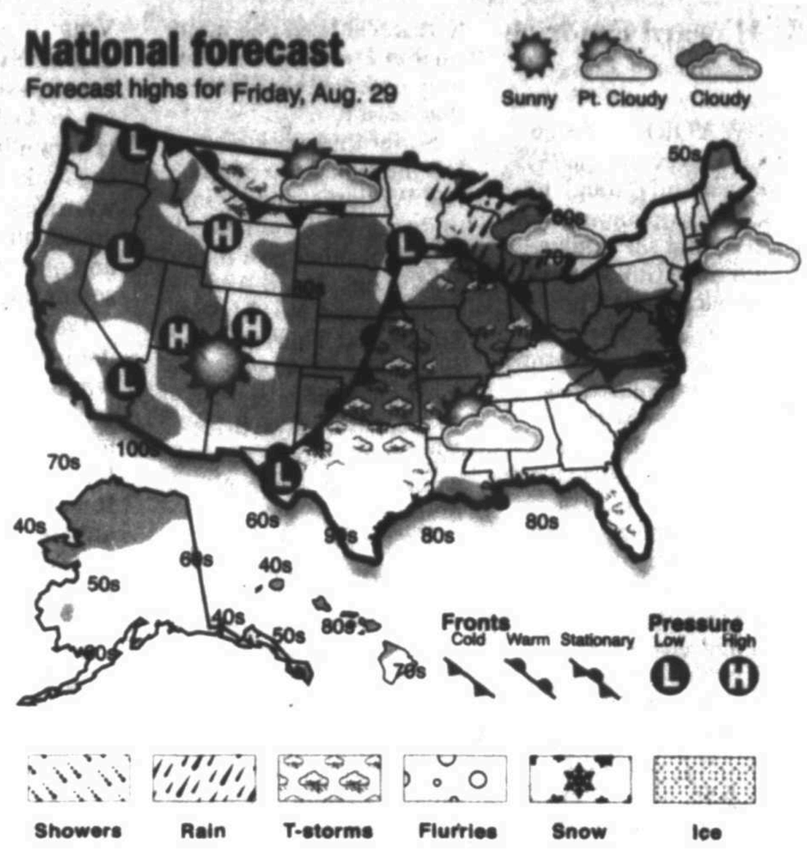
Wednesday	0.00 in.
Thursday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.77 in.
Year total	4.74 in.
Normal total (year to date)	9.52 in.

Thursday's temperatures

High	97
Low	73
Normal high	91
Normal low	69
Sunrise	7:22 a.m.
Sunset	8:16 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Friday, Aug. 29



Responsibility for birth control falls on both men and women

DEAR ABBY

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

DEAR ABBY: I am sick to death of hearing about people who have too many kids and the hardship it imposes. Common sense for the women is to use birth control, but why don't men step up to the plate and have a vasectomy? I had one years ago and it has worked well for me.

I never hear it mentioned on talk shows or read it in any advice columns, including yours. Men of America, wake up! — JOSEPH IN LAS VEGAS

DEAR JOSEPH: I'm sure the word "vasectomy" has been used in previous Dear Abby columns, but I'm glad to remind my male readers. While I have never taken a poll on this subject, I'll hazard a guess or two about why men are reluctant to have them:

One, they equate it with castration; two, they think at some point they might change their mind or their partner; and three, they're afraid it will be painful. Drumroll: For any men out there who are worried that some tragedy might wipe out your family and you will have to start over, sperm can be banked for up to 20 years and used should the need arise.

P.S. There are also more options open to women than the pill. These include IUDs and, if they're sure they want to be finished with childbearing, tubal ligation.

DEAR ABBY: I raised three kids in a normal household, putting them to bed between two sheets. Now my two younger ones no longer sleep between sheets, but wrapped up in a blanket on a sheetless mattress. One of them has children, and is passing the habit on to them.

The only thing I can conclude is that it's laziness, and I'm wondering where I went wrong. Has anyone else encountered this? — TAKEN ABACK IN MISSOURI

DEAR TAKEN ABACK: People have varying sleep "styles." If, when your children lived with you, you taught them to launder their sheets and make their beds, then you didn't go wrong. (One can only hope they wash those blankets regularly.)

If possible, invite your grandchildren for sleepovers so they can experience how the "other half" lives. You would be doing them a favor because children can't learn what a parent hasn't taught them.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 25-year-old woman and lonely. I'm interested in a guy I have known for years. He's my older brother's friend, and we're only six years apart. When I expressed my interest in him, he politely let me know that he would not date me because of my brother.

Is there a secret code that I'm missing? Is it taboo for a man who is your older brother's friend to date the younger sibling? I am confused as to why it would matter since we are both adults. — LONELY IN WISCONSIN

DEAR LONELY: While it isn't "taboo" to date the sibling of a close friend, it can lead to complications if the relationship doesn't work out. Friendships have become strained or ended because of it.

Not knowing the man you have your sights set on, I can't speculate whether the reason he gave you was the truth. It could also be that the feelings you have for him are not reciprocated, but regardless — now that you know he isn't interested, it's time to look elsewhere for someone to assuage your loneliness.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Aug. 29, 2014:

This year you head in a new direction with the support of a loved one. You have a way of juggling a lot of concerns at once. Remain stable and forthright with others. If you are single, you could be delighted by someone who enters your life unexpectedly. Spending time together and getting to know each other well will allow you to have a more secure perspective. If you are attached, your sweetie often wants to confide in you and spend time with you. Schedule a special vacation together, and take more trips as a couple. LIBRA can be pushy. Step back.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ Get past any interference quickly in the morning. Others admire your versatility and quick responses. An imaginative friend could spark your ingenuity. You'll become more aware of the possibilities, especially with others involved. Tonight: Out among the crowds.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ You'll gain insight into a certain person in your life. Several friends or associates might inspire you to take a leap of faith. Follow their advice, and you finally will be able to clear up a restriction. A loved one will be delighted. Tonight: Enjoy some alone time.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ Reach out to someone at a distance. Express your caring in a way that is meaningful to this person. Tap into your verbal skills, your innate wit and your strong ability to visualize. You'll be able to cruise through nearly any issue with ease. Tonight: Celebrate the weekend.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Make an extra effort regarding a personal matter. You'll receive good news that might seem almost magical. Invite several friends over for a Labor Day weekend get-together. Tonight: Home is where the heart is.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Touch base with someone at a distance. You are in the mood to start this Labor Day weekend in style. Make an important call early on to make plans. Be careful with your money. Your good humor will help others move forward. Tonight: Celebrate friends and the summer.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ You might want to open up more to someone you really care about. Take your time so that you can discuss any reaction this person might have to what you say. Be careful with funds, as you could be subject to overspending on indulgences. Tonight: Your treat.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ You'll smile at the thought of what lies ahead, yet you might be confused about which direction you should head in. Some of you might not know what you want to do about a relationship. Choose to stay present in the moment. Tonight: Time to join others.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ You might opt for a slow night, as you know what lies ahead. No matter what you end up doing, play it low-key. You might have something planned for the long weekend. Be more present in the moment. Tonight: Surround yourself with friends and loved ones.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ You might want to juggle your plans some at the last minute. You will enjoy yourself more if you do. Don't worry about completely clearing out your desk. Leave what can wait until next week. Stop on the way home to visit with some friends. Tonight: Let the party begin.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Take a stand and honor a change in someone's mood. You might be inspired and finally decide to make a change you have wanted to make for a long time. A partner or loved one is likely to have a fun invitation just for you. Tonight: A must appearance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Even if an invitation comes to you suddenly, there is no reason to say "no." If you can take off at the last minute, by all means, do. Understand what is happening in a special relationship. Tonight: Let the good times in.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ You tend to enjoy life more when you are on an individual basis with one person. Your imagination sometimes goes beyond the call of duty, and today might be a good example. Confirm what you are hearing. Tonight: Out for dinner with a loved one.

BORN TODAY

Singer/songwriter Michael Jackson (1958), actress Ingrid Bergman (1915), philosopher John Locke (1632)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Easy one for Tommy

Neither vulnerable. East deals.

NORTH
♠ 9 4 2
♥ Q J 10 9 6 3
♦ A 4
♣ K 5

WEST
♠ J 8 6 5 3
♥ 8 7 4
♦ 9 2
♣ J 10 7

EAST
♠ Void
♥ A K 5 2
♦ K 8 7
♣ A 9 8 6 4 2

SOUTH
♠ A K Q 10 7
♥ Void
♦ Q J 10 6 5 3
♣ Q 3

The bidding:

EAST	SOUTH	WEST	NORTH
1♣	1♠	Pass	1♥
2♣	2♠	Pass	4♣
Pass	3♣	Pass	
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead: Jack of ♣

Trump Coup Tommy was bored. It had been a slow summer, with trumps breaking evenly on almost every hand, and very few chances to show off his special skill — handling a bad break in the trump suit.

East won the club opening lead and continued the suit, dummy winning. Tommy led a trump to his ace and perked up immediately when East showed out on the first round. After a moment's thought, he knew just what to do. He led a diamond to dummy's ace and then led another diamond. East won his king and tried a top heart, Tommy ruffing.

West now had more trumps than South, but Tommy was in control. He began to run his good diamonds and West had no answer. Should West ruff high and return a heart, again leaving South with fewer trumps, Tommy would continue to run diamonds until West ruffed again. Dummy would over-ruff and Tommy would be able to draw the outstanding trumps and claim. If, instead, West ruffed low, dummy would over-ruff and play back a trump. Tommy would cash both of his high trumps and resume running diamonds, allowing West to ruff with his remaining jack of trumps whenever he liked, but still coming to 10 tricks. Well done!

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Herding dog name
5 Pledge of Allegiance ender
8 Red Cross red cross, e.g.
14 Ember, perhaps
15 Cattle call
16 Diatribe
17 Valedictorian, typically
19 Duplicates
20 Muskrat relatives
21 Company with a bull in its logo
22 Highly skilled
23 When Juliet asks "wherefore art thou Romeo?"
25 Ici __: French "here and there"
28 First female Supreme Court justice
32 "Consider it done!"
36 "__ say more?"
37 Yeats' land: Abbr.
38 Green gemstones
40 Get a move on
41 Walking aid
44 Currier of Currier & Ives
47 Netanyahu, for one
49 River to the Elbe
50 Boorish
52 Clay being of Jewish lore
56 King's "__ Lot"
59 Picnic serving, and when divided properly, a hint to a hidden feature of six pairs of puzzle answers
62 Dodges
63 West Germany's first chancellor
64 Musical Dion
65 Quarterback Tebow
66 100 C-notes
67 Big name in lawn care
68 1940s mil. zone
69 Language that gave us "clan"

DOWN

1 Italy's La __
2 Bamboozled
3 Invitation on a fictional cake
4 More roly-poly
5 "You're so right!"
6 Extended
7 "__ luck!"
8 "Blah, blah, blah," briefly
9 Great number of
10 Element #35
11 Path in a pool
12 River of central Germany
13 Boot camp meal
18 Word of agreement
24 Awaken
26 Great Society monogram
27 Self-titled 1991 debut album
29 Classic beverage brand
30 Cartoon canine
31 Cambodian cash
32 Not yet final, legally
33 Scraps
34 High-fiber fruit
35 Educator LeShan
39 "Zip it!"
42 Met the challenge
43 Agitate
45 One of the noble gases
46 Nursery arrival
48 Girls
51 Schedule
53 Gumbel's "Today" successor
54 Idyllic places
55 Sign on an on-ramp
56 Brief moments
57 "__ plaisir!"
58 Composer of the opera "Le Roi d'Ys"
60 Adjust to fit, perhaps
61 One in an office exchange

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

A	J	A	X		T	W	A	S		C	O	T	T	A
L	U	K	E		H	A	T	H		A	P	A	R	T
O	D	I	N		E	R	M	A		M	E	L	E	E
T	O	N	A	L	F	R	E	Q	U	E	N	C	Y	
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O	N	I		D	E	S	I			A	S	N	E	W
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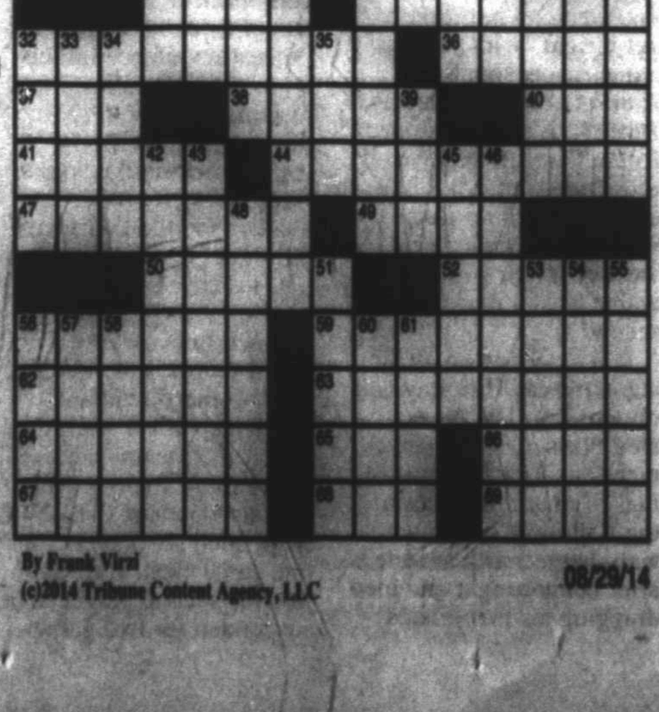

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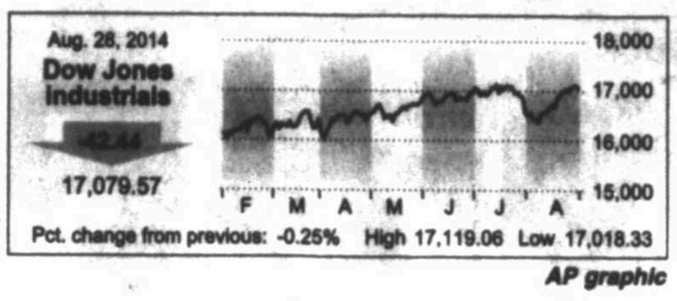

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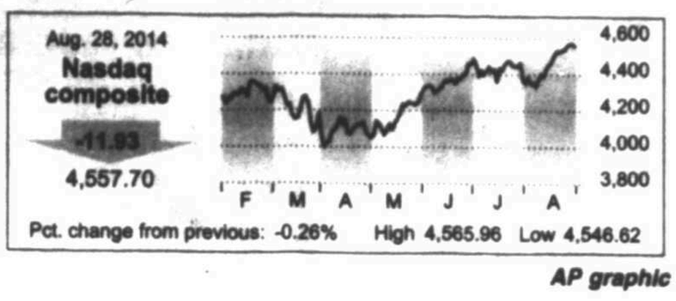

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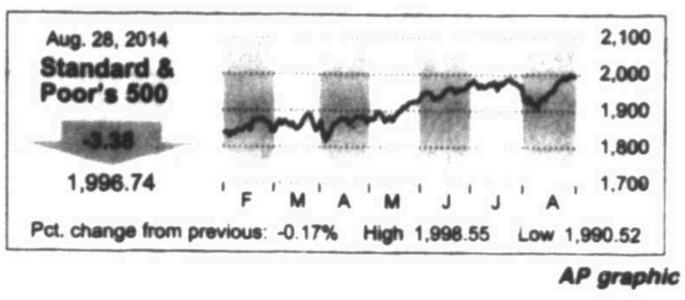

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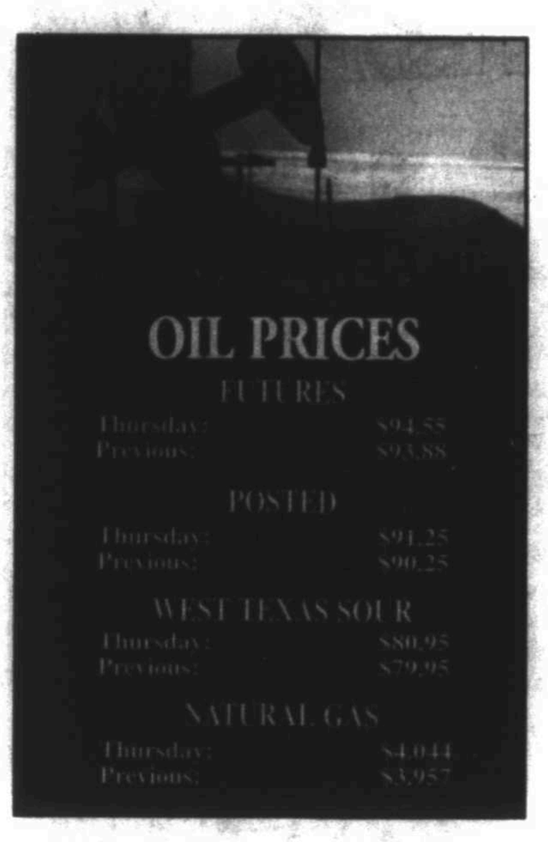

Apple to unveil its next products at Sept. 9 event

By Michael Liedtke
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Apple's latest product launch will be in a setting that holds a special place in its history, signaling how big this event is for the company.

The Sept. 9 launch, which is expected to feature a larger iPhone and possibly a computerized watch, will be in the same Silicon Valley venue where Apple's late co-founder, Steve Jobs, took the wraps off the original Mac computer 30 years ago. That machine was hailed as a major breakthrough that helped bring personal computing to the masses.

These events have become an annual rite since the 2007 release of the iPhone, but this year's may be the most highly anticipated since the iPad came out in 2010.

A "smartwatch" or other wearable technology would mark the company's first foray into a new product category since the iPad came out.

True to its secretive nature, Apple Inc. isn't giving any clues about what's on the Sept. 9 agenda. "Wish we could say more," Apple said in a succinct white invitation mailed Thursday to reporters and others.

The company scheduled the event at an auditorium about 3 miles from its Cupertino, California, headquarters. It seats about 2,300 people, a far larger capacity than the places that Apple usually uses to show off its new products.

Apple watchers expect an iPhone with a larger screen than the 4-inch display on the previous two generations of the device. The iPhone 6 is expected to feature a 4.7-inch screen to make it more competitive with larger smartphones made by Samsung Electronics and other rivals relying on Google Inc.'s free Android software. There also has been speculation that Apple may release another iPhone model with a 5.5-inch screen.

A bigger-screen iPhone could unleash a surge of sales among Apple fans who own iPhones with smaller displays. Some analysts think Apple could sell at least 70 million units of the iPhone 6 within the first few months after the device hits the market.

Although the iPhone is Apple's biggest moneymaker, much of the intrigue around this year's event surrounds the possibility that the company may release a long-awaited smartwatch that could help monitor people's health and serve as control center for Internet-connected appliances and electronics in the home.

Apple CEO Tim Cook has indicated that he is intrigued with wearable technology devices, but hasn't provided any concrete clues about what the company is working on. Cook has only said he is excited about what Apple's latest inventions, a sentiment echoed by one of his top lieutenants, Eddy Cue, who earlier this year hailed the company's product pipeline as its best in 25 years.

Apple has just been redesigning and adding features to its iPhones, iPads, iPods and Mac since the release of the iPad, raising concerns among investors that the company had run out of new ideas after the October 2011 death of Jobs, who served as its chief visionary.

Those worries have subsided during the past four months as the excitement has built for Apple's new products. Apple's stock hit a new high of $102.78 in Thursday morning's trading before falling back to close at $102.25, up 12 cents for the session. The shares have risen 25 percent in 2014.

NYSE

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
BkofAm	802968	16.01	-.19
RadioShk	501662	1.43	+.34
S&P500ETF470840200	14.		-.11
Vale SA	456565	13.11	-.57
Twitter n	347609	49.43	+1.37

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
BcoBrades	17.89	+1.39	+8.4
SignetJwlrs	116.37	+8.34	+7.7
ResAmRes	108.16	+7.61	+7.6
VTTI En n	27.20	+1.82	+7.2
NAtlDril n	10.99	+.67	+6.5

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
FrontBne	2.26	-.33	-12.8
WmsSon	65.83	-8.96	-12.0
ViolinM n	3.76	-.43	-10.3
DsRssaBuld	15.17	-1.51	-9.1
Guess	23.38	-2.26	-8.8

Diary

Advanced	1,316
Declined	1,777
Unchanged	146
Total issues	3,239
New Highs	136
New Lows	9
Volume	2,230,358,296

Amex

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
ChenIereEn	34360	76.80	+.77
AltdNevG	21636	3.71	+.11
IGI Labs	20774	6.79	+.37
NwGold g	20650	6.46	+.02
22ndCentry	15361	3.03	+.34

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SwedLC22	20.73	+3.93	+23.4
22ndCentry	3.03	+.34	+12.6
Protalix	2.61	+.20	+8.3
TriTch	5.34	+.40	+8.1
CnsTom	58.95	+4.36	+8.0

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
InsigniaMD	2.31	-.17	-6.9
AmShrd	2.23	-.12	-5.2
ERBA Diag	3.61	-.19	-5.0
AlphaPro	2.77	-.14	-4.8
Servotr	7.19	-.34	-4.5

Diary

Advanced	192
Declined	206
Unchanged	30
Total issues	428
New Highs	10
New Lows	4
Volume	64,230,728

Nasdaq

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Apple Inc s	658787	102.25	+.12
SiriusXM	346685	3.60	+.01
Facebook	213445	75.86	-.78
Intel	187553	34.65	-.14
PwShs QQQ	166507	99.41	-.11

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SGOCO	2.84	+1.23	+76.4
DigitalAly	15.68	+4.19	+36.5
CSR plc	51.45	+13.41	+35.3
OnTrack	2.85	+.54	+23.4
TrovaGn wt	3.54	+.65	+22.5

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Sungy Mo n	8.44	-1.96	-18.8
WashFd wt	5.22	-.79	-13.1
Kose	2.35	-.27	-10.4
NetSolTch	3.48	-.40	-10.3
UBIC	22.64	-2.49	-9.9

Diary

Advanced	900
Declined	1,753
Unchanged	161
Total issues	2,814
New Highs	46
New Lows	40
Volume	1,272,095,505

JPMorgan investigating possible cyberattack

Associated Press

NEW YORK — JPMorgan Chase, the nation's biggest bank by assets, is working with law enforcement officials to investigate a possible cyberattack, said a person familiar with the situation who spoke on condition of anonymity, though the bank isn't currently seeing any unusual fraud activity at the time.

Jamie Dimon, the bank's CEO, said in this year's annual report to shareholders that despite spending millions on cybersecurity, JPMorgan remained worried about the threat of attacks. By the end of this year, the bank estimates that it will be spending about $250 million annually on cybersecurity and employing 1,000 people in the area.

The FBI said in a statement Wednesday that it was working with the Secret Service to determine the scope of recent cyberattacks against "several American financial institutions." The agency did not name the companies that had been targeted.

Major U.S. banks said that they had been unaffected by the attacks.

Bank of America spokesman Dan Frahm said the bank had not seen any unusual activity regarding cyberattacks. Citigroup had no information to suggest that it was the victim of an attack, said a person familiar with the situation who spoke on condition of anonymity. Banks face "thousands" of attempted attacks on their computer systems every day, though the majority of incidents remain unreported, said Avivah Litan, a cyber security expert at Gartner.

"There are lots of bad guys out there, continually probing bank networks, trying to get in," Litan said.

The perpetrators of the attacks range from financial hackers to "hactivist" groups such as Anonymous, who are trying to make social and political statements, she said.

Retailers fall

U.S. financial markets ended slightly lower Thursday, marking their first loss in a week of record highs.

The escalating conflict in Ukraine, disappointing retail earnings and profit outlooks combined to weigh down the market, eclipsing some good news on the U.S. economy and labor market.

"The key driver was largely the Ukraine news and the uncertainty of what that means," said Erik Davidson, deputy chief investment officer at Wells Fargo Private Bank.

U.S. stock index futures pointed to a lower opening in premarket trading Thursday, following a downward turn in global stock markets as traders reacted to the developments in Ukraine.

Ukraine President Petro Poroshenko said Russian forces had entered his country. He called an emergency meeting of the nation's security council.

A string of disappointing earnings and profit outlooks late Wednesday and early Thursday also weighed on the market early on.

Not all the news was discouraging.

The Commerce Department estimated that the U.S. economy grew at an annual rate of 4.2 percent in the April-June quarter.

Gold climbs

In metals trading, gold climbed $7 to $1,290.40 an ounce, silver rose 13 cents to $19.53 an ounce and copper fell 5 cents to $3.13 a pound.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $113.71 Down 2.21

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $139.00 Up 1.50

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $22.64 Down 0.20

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $83.20 Up 0.60

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $30.74 Down 0.01

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $6.85 Unchanged

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $29.45 Down 0.21

RSP Permian (RSPP)
Closing Price $27.86 Up 0.63

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $17.05 Down 0.25

Viper Energy Partners (VNOM)
Closing Price $31.85 Down 0.47

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.84	10	34.74	-.01	-1.2
Abraxas	...	73	5.83	+.09	+76.8
AdamsEx	.84e	...	14.14	-.02	+8.2
AMD	...	41	4.14	-.02	+7.0
AlonUSA	.40	...	16.60	+.30	+.4
Ambev n	.09e	...	7.26	-.07	-1.2
ARCapPr	1.00	...	13.13	-.02	+2.2
Amgen	2.44	21	136.69	+.86	+21.6
Anadarko	1.08	...	111.06	+.58	+40.8
Apache	1.00	33	101.37	-.16	+18.0
Apple Inc s	1.88	17	102.25	+.12	+27.6
ApldMatl	.40	28	22.80	+.17	+29.0
ATMOS	1.48	18	50.50	+.32	+10.7
AutoData	1.92	27	83.50	-.17	+3.9
BP PLC	2.24f	7	47.92	-.44	-1.4
BakerCOlov	1.20	...	15.52	+.08	+3.9
BallHrly	.68f	23	69.21	-.24	+25.2
BcoBrad pf	.44e	...	17.80	+.06	+42.1
BkofAm	.20f	19	16.01	-.19	+2.8
B PVPx rs	...	...	28.27	+.44	-33.8
BasicEnSv	...	...	23.62	-.41	+51.0
BerkHa A	...	16	1624040.00	-701.00	+14.7
BkHillsCp	1.56	22	53.36	-.06	+1.8
BrkfldIg	1.44	31	39.54	+.29	-4.9
BrownFA	1.16	31	39.84	-.89	+33.1
BrownFB	1.16	30	91.52	-.83	+21.1
CVS Care	1.10	19	79.43	...	+11.0
Cameron	...	62	74.99	+.49	+24.0
Caterpillar	2.80f	16	108.65	+.10	+19.8
Celestic g	...	14	10.92	-.04	+5.0
CntryLink	2.16	...	40.86	+.10	+28.3
ChseEng	.35	30	28.99	+.55	+5.1
Chevron	4.28	12	128.78	+.11	+3.1
Chicos	.30	24	16.00	+.71	-15.1
Cimarex	.84	28	142.97	+1.52	+36.3
Cisco	.76	17	24.85	+.05	+11.8
Citigroup	.04	12	51.39	-.47	-1.4
ClayBig	...	36	110.71	-2.21	+36.8
CliffsNR	.60	...	16.06	-.97	-12.5
CocaCola	1.28	23	41.69	+.09	+.8
ColgPalm	1.44	27	64.61	+.02	+1.7
ConAgra	1.00	44	32.13	...	+8.3
ConchoRes	...	62	139.00	+1.50	+29.7
ConocoPhil	2.68f	18	80.68	-.27	+14.2

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
CrackerB	4.00f	19	100.19	+.35	-9.0
CSVInvNG	...	...	3.86	-.12	-56.3
CSVxSht rs	...	...	2.77	+.09	-63.1
CrosTim	2.73e	12	31.62	+.41	+7.5
DCP Mid	3.03f	...	56.23	+.18	+11.7
DTE	2.76f	18	77.91	+.98	+17.4
Datasrm h	...	...	2.89	-.01	+11.2
Dawson	.32	...	22.64	-.20	-33.1
DevonE	.96	19	74.63	+.35	+20.6
DigitalAly	...	...	15.68	+4.19	+70.6
DrxSCBear	...	...	14.52	+.22	-14.4
Disney	.88f	22	90.23	-.14	+19.1
DowChm	1.48	19	53.84	...	+20.8
eBay	...	...	55.43	-.49	+1.0
EOG Res s	.57f	25	108.39	-.22	+29.2
EmpDist	1.02	16	28.88	+.11	+13.0
Energen	.60	46	78.72	+.48	+11.3
EngyTsfr	3.52f	...	57.47	-.39	+.4
EnPro	.64	...	67.57	-.11	+17.2
EntPrdPt s	1.44f	28	40.38	+.13	+21.8
Ericsson	.46e	...	12.48	-.07	+2.0
EsterenR	.60	28	44.89	+.28	+31.3
ExxonMbl	2.76	13	96.57	+.04	-1.8
Facebook	...	79	73.86	-.78	+35.1
FireEye n	...	...	30.00	+.55	-31.2
FordM	.50	11	17.42	+.06	+12.6
ForestOil	...	...	1.59	-.01	-56.0
GATX	1.32	15	60.39	-.04	+27.3
GeoMetPT	.69	...	5.05	-.01	+19.0
GAInv	2.10e	...	38.13	+.12	+8.3
GenMtrs	.88	19	35.01	+.12	-7.8
Gerdau	.15e	...	5.77	-.25	-26.4
GlaxoSkl	...	24	107.51	+.10	+43.2
GoPro n	...	...	48.90	+3.40	+56.0
GPPalmSh	.92	17	25.85	+.30	+5.4
Groupon	...	...	6.64	+.11	+43.6
HalconRes	...	...	5.54	-.06	+43.5
Halliburtn	.80	21	67.39	-1.10	+32.8
Hillshire	.70	37	62.95	...	+68.3
HmBrasil	1.55e	...	52.73	+.49	+18.1
HmDpSpa	.77e	...	11.82	+.09	-2.6
HmChinaLG	.71e	...	40.52	-.50	+5.8
HmMkts	.71e	...	45.13	-.45	+8.0
iShGr yrT	3.46e	...	118.97	+.02	+16.8

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
iS Eafe	2.23e	...	66.74	-.30	-.5
iShR2K	1.46e	...	115.91	-.60	+.5
IntegrysE	2.72	20	67.47	+.73	+24.0
Intel	.90	17	34.65	-.14	+33.5
InterDig	.80f	...	43.93	+.24	+49.0
ItauUnibH	.54e	...	17.52	-.12	+42.1
JPMorgCh	1.60f	15	59.16	-.43	+1.8
JohnJn	2.80	19	102.95	-.27	+12.4
KimbCllk	3.36	19	108.14	-.76	+3.5
KindME	5.56f	39	95.09	-.32	+17.9
KindMorg	1.72f	34	39.77	-.16	+10.5
KindMM	5.56f	78	96.55	-.53	+27.6
Kinross g	...	...	3.90	-.04	-11.0
LegacyRes	2.44f	...	30.74	-.01	+9.2
Lubys	...	...	5.90	+.08	-28.8
MKT/Gold	.19e	...	26.48	+.35	+25.2
MktVRus	.74e	...	24.34	-.78	-15.7
McDnlds	3.24	17	94.14	+.30	-3.0
Merck	1.76	32	60.00	-.28	+19.9
Meritage	...	28	12.34	-.10	-21.8
MescoEn	...	46	...	...	-.7
MicronT	...	11	32.81	-.19	+50.9
Microsoft	1.12	17	44.88	+.01	+20.0
Nabors	.24f	51	26.26	-.16	+54.6
NatGrid	3.49e	...	74.84	+.88	+14.3
NOilVarco	1.84	14	85.42	-.20	+19.2
NobleCp	.51e	...	8.13	-.01	+2
NwMdxd	.80a	...	13.52	+.09	+14.6
NvPtrlI	.88	...	13.81	+.01	+16.0
NvaPtrl	.88	...	13.80	+.02	+16.3
NBTPfB	.80a	...	13.89	-.04	+7.8
NTXOil	.70a	...	14.49	-.01	+12.8
OasisPet	2.86	16	104.01	+.83	+8.4
OI SA	.14e	...	.64	+.01	-60.0
Oracle	.48	17	41.27	-.37	+7.9
PanTech	...	...	4.89	+.05	-21.5
PatrDrl	...	19	9.22	-.12	-23.5
PetMxEt	.40	27	33.64	-.28	+33.3
Penney	...	...	10.85	-.35	+18.6
PetroArb	.88	...	28.91	-.33	+8.4
Petrobras	.15e	14	14.25	+.21	+10.8
PetroleA	.85e	...	20.32	...	+38.3
Petrobras	.45e	...	19.12	-.09	+38.8
Pfizer	1.04	17	28.98	-.11	-4.1
PhilMrl	.00	...	205.14	+.81	+11.4

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
PlainsAAP	2.58f	26	59.50	-.06	+14.9
PlugPowr h	...	...	5.55	-.21	+258.1
PwShs QQQ	1.34e	...	99.41	-.11	+13.0
Praxair	2.60	22	131.44	+.30	+1.1
PrmEgy	...	21	65.59	...	+29.9
ProctGam	2.57	21	83.03	-.28	+2.0
RF MicD	...	41	11.76	+.26	+127.9
RadioShk	...	...	1.43	+.34	-45.0
RangeRs	.16	51	78.25	+.23	-7.2
RiteAid	...	37	6.32	-.02	+24.9
Rowan	.40	20	29.87	+.02	-15.5
RoyDShllA	3.76	16	81.19	+.45	+13.9
SGOCO	...	6	2.84	+1.23	-16.2
SpdrDJIA	3.47e	...	170.77	-.24	+3.2
S&P500ETF	3.58e	...	200.14	-.11	+8.4
SabnR	3.99e	14	55.88	+1.18	+10.5
SanderPm	.80	11	93.84	+1.29	+29.7
SandRidge	...	...	5.24	+.02	-13.7
Sapient	...	21	14.31	-.05	-17.6
Schlmbrg	1.60	22	110.16	-.88	+22.3
SigmaAld	.92	25	103.74	+.46	+10.3
SiriusXM	...	60	3.60	+.01	+3.2
Smucker	2.56f	18	102.36	-.06	-1.2
Sprint	...	...	5.66	-.03	-47.3
SPDR Fncl	.35e	...	23.25	-.07	+6.4
SP Util	1.47e	...	43.00	+.31	+13.2

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
Staples	.48	14	11.66	+.18	-26.6
SunocoL s	1.46f	35	48.96	+.37	+29.7
T-MobileUS	...	...	29.84	+.40	-11.3
TalismE g	.27	37	10.05	-.19	-13.7
TeleFEsp	1.69e	...	15.84	-.14	-3.1
Tesoro	1.20f	20	64.48	+.77	+10.2
3M Co	3.42	20	143.98	+.04	+2.7
Torchmrk s	.51	14	54.93	+.07	+5.4
TriCentl	.68e	...	21.36	-.03	+6.9
Twitter n	...	...	49.43	+1.37	-22.3
TylerTech	...	65	88.71	-.75	-13.1
USWV	1.28	18	32.81	-.39	+4.3
Vale SA	.84e	...	13.11	-.57	-14.0
Vale SA pf	.72e	...	11.67	-.44	-16.7
ValeroE	1.10f	10	54.16	-.09	+7.5
VulcanM	.24f	55	63.22	-.20	+6.4
Walgrn	1.38f	21	80.47	-.06	+5.3
WashREst	1.04	19	46.11	+.11	+8.7
WhitngPet	...	19	90.26	-.87	+45.9
WmsCos	2.24f	76	58.77	-.35	+52.4
WmsSon	1.32	23	65.93	-8.96	+13.1
XcelEngy	1.20	16	31.84	+.22	+14.0
Xerox	.25	14	13.76	+.05	+13.1
Yahoo	...	33	38.31	+.13	-5.3
Zynga	...	...	2.88	...	-24.2

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17,153.80	14,719.43	Dow Jones Industrials	17,079.57	-42.44	-.25	+3.03	+15.06
6,515.04	5,237.14	Dow Jones Transportation	6,405.39	-22.66	-.27	+13.59	+32.95
576.98	467.93	Dow Jones Utilities	560.11	+2.98	+.53	+14.18	+17.22
11,334.65	9,240.89	NYSE Composite	11,009.70	-28.19	-.26	+5.88	+16.18
4,575.52	3,573.57	Nasdaq Composite	4,557.70	-11.92	-.26	+8.12	+26.80
2,005.04	1,627.47	S&P 500	1,996.74	-3.39	-.17	+6.03	+21.89
1,452.01	1,170.82	S&P Midcap	1,430.21	-3.09	-.21	+8.53	+19.05
21,206.75	17,305.21	Wilshire 5000	21,150.55	-41.93	-.20	+7.25	+21.29
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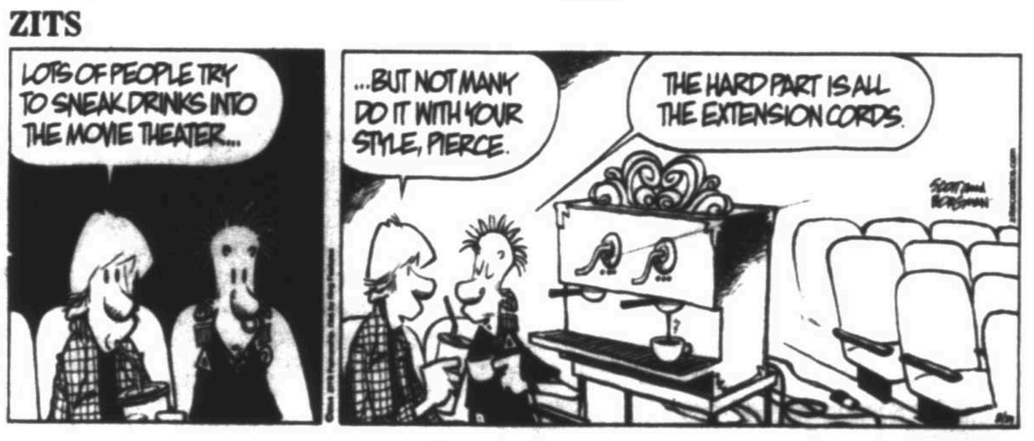

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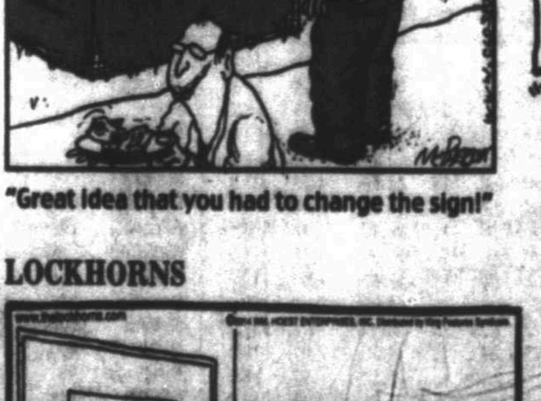

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ORDINANCE 9310
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING AND ADOPTING A DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN FOR THE CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, IN ORDER TO CONSERVE THE AVAILABLE WATER SUPPLY AND PROTECT THE INTEGRITY OF WATER SUPPLY FACILITIES; AND TO PROTECT AND PRESERVE PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE, AND SAFETY AND MINIMIZE THE ADVERSE IMPACT OF WATER SUPPLY SHORTAGES OR OTHER WATER SUPPLY EMERGENCY CONDITIONS; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($500.00); AND NEGATING A MENTAL STATE; AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

City of Midland

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City Secretary

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ORDINANCE NO. 9305
AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION BY AMENDING CHAPTER ONE, TITLE XI, OF THE CITY CODE OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, BY PERMITTING LOT 33B, BLOCK 3, BRIARWOOD ADDITION, SECTION 16, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED PD, PLANNED DISTRICT FOR A SHOPPING CENTER, TO BE USED AS AN AMENDED PLANNED DISTRICT (GENERALLY LOCATED 250 FEET WEST OF NORTH MIDLAND DRIVE AND 300 FEET NORTH OF BRIARWOOD AVENUE); PROVIDING FOR SUCH USE TO BE SUBJECT TO CERTAIN SPECIAL CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS AS SET OUT HEREIN; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS ($2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

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Legal & Public Notices

Notice of Application for Oil and Gas Waste Disposal Well Permit

Reliance Energy, Inc. 500 W. Illinois, Suite 1200, Midland, Texas 79701 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced salt water by well injection into a porous formation productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the Russelman and Ellenburger formation on the Mabee 240 #3SBW. The proposed well is 17.58 miles SE of Andrews, Texas in the Mabee Nova (Fullelman) Field in Andrews County, Texas. The waste water will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 12,000 to 15,000.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792).

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High Sky Partners LLC is hereby providing notice of intent to move-in equipment and spud the labell No. 107D well, whose surface location is located 2,416. FNL and 1,622. FWL Section 1, Block X, H.P. Hilliard Survey, Midland County, Texas, within the city limits of Midland. This notice is given pursuant to a requirement of the City of Midland under Title VI, Chapter 1, Section 23, labeled Ordinance No. 8769, more particularly found under Section L (7), effective January 1, 2010.

Legal & Public Notices

H.S. of Midland, Inc. DBA Midland Home2 Suites is making application to the T.A.B.C. for a BQ Permit, located at 1401 Catalina Drive Midland, Texas 79706 Midland County. Owner / Officers are TMI Hospitality, Inc. (100% owner), Richard H. Larson (President), Lisa M. Anderson-Heibling (Treasurer), and Lori J. Kasowski (Secretary).

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ORDINANCE NO. 9306
AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A SPECIAL EXCEPTION FOR LOTS 6 AND 7, BLOCK 7, UNIVERSITY PARK, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED NORTHEAST OF THE INTERSECTION OF "N" STREET AND HARVARD AVENUE), BY PERMITTING AN ENCROACHMENT INTO THE REQUIRED SIDE YARD SETBACK FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ACCESSORY STRUCTURES; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS ($2,000.00); ORDERING RECORDATION BY THE CITY SECRETARY IN THE DEED RECORDS OF MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS; AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

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ORDINANCE NO. 9307
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE XI, "PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT", CHAPTER 2, "PLATS AND SUBDIVISIONS", SECTION 5, "REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, RESERVATION AND DESIGN", SUBSECTION (C), "STREETS AND ALLEYS", PARAGRAPH 3, "DESIGN AND IMPROVEMENT STANDARDS", SUBPARAGRAPH (S), "ALLEYS", SUBPART 6, OF THE CITY CODE OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, SO AS TO PROHIBIT ANY RESIDENTIAL LOT FINAL PLATTED AFTER JUNE 30, 1994, OR ANY COMMERCIAL LOT TO HAVE ACCESS FROM AN UNPAVED ALLEY THAT DOES NOT CONFORM TO CITY OF MIDLAND STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS TO A VEHICLE GARAGE, CARPORT, OR PARKING AREA OR BUSINESS LOADING AREA; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS ($2000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

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Martin County Hospital now hiring Admissions Clerk • Full Time • Bilingual strongly preferred • Previous experience with insurance eligibility preferred • Non-clinical position Contact: Amber Langford Admissions Supervisor Fax: 432-607-3265, email: alangford@martinch.org or Paula Dority, Director of HR Fax: 432.607.3227 email pauladority@martinch.org.

CNA's & Caregivers
Legacy Ranch
Midland, TX
Now Hiring experienced CNA's & Caregivers .(pay rate for CNAs is $14.00), for all shifts to work with elderly clients in a professional environment. Apply in person at: **4800 Briarwood Ave., Midland, Tx 79707.**

Dental Assistant
West Texas Endodontics, PC
Seeking Full time and/or Part Time Dental Assistant. Great salary and benefits. Fax resume to 806-788-8502

Dietary Aide
Legacy Ranch FT
Midland, TX
Now Hiring FT Dietary Aide to work with elderly clients in a professional environment. Apply in person at: 4800 Briarwood Ave., Midland, Tx 79707

FT/PT Medical Receptionist
Full Time/Part Time Experienced Medical Office Receptionist needed for a busy clinic. Must be willing to travel between Midland and Odessa. Attractive salary and benefits. Please fax resumes to **432-522-2990.**

MEDICAL ASSISTANT
Full time MA position available for busy clinic. M-F 10:00 am - 8:00pm and every other weekend. Full benefit package including incentive holiday pay, 401K, medical and vision insurance also. Please fax resume with references to 432-221-3369 or email staci@txplan.com.
PO#UC8076

PT Weekend Activities Assistant
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Midland, TX
Now Hiring PT Weekend Activities Assistant to work with elderly clients in a professional environment. Apply in person at: 4800 Briarwood Ave., Midland, Tx. 79707

Registered Dental Assistant
Permian Basin Oral Surgery is looking for a responsible & dependable assistant who is a certified RDA for our Midland location. 4 1/2 days a wk. Excellent opportunity to join our practice. Please send resume: lisa@pboms.com

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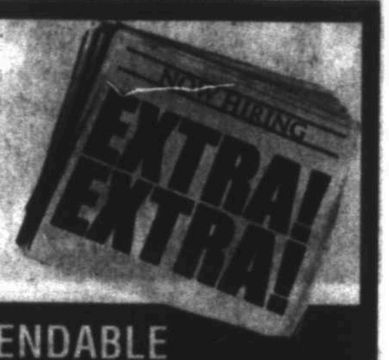
HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

DIRECTOR OF SALES
Experience preferred. Apply in person at 700 Jbs Parkway, Odessa, TX.

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR PART TIME DAY ASSOCIATE



Part Time Day Associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to work Monday thru Saturday from 8am-6pm. Tuesday will be here later till about 8 or 9 pm. Need to be able to work on your feet thru 6-8 hour shift. Will work at night occasionally. We will train the right person.

Pay $10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required; we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and Social Security card with dependable transportation.

Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois Lobby Information Desk • Martin County Courthouse Information Desk • Ector County Courthouse Information Desk
NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR NIGHT TIME ASSOCIATE

Night time associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to count at a fast pace. Be able to work between the hours of 12-6 am Sunday night thru Friday night and be able to work Saturday night 8pm -4am. Will be working inside and outside depending on the job you are doing that night. Will be 5-6 nights per week. We will train the right person.

Pay $10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required; we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and Social Security card with dependable transportation.

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HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

Hospitality Positions
Plaza Inn Midland has immediate openings for: • Front Desk • Room Attendants. Must pass drug test. Apply in person at 4108 N. Big Spring St., Midland, Texas 79705

HUMAN RESOURCES

HR Generalist
Provides support in functional areas of human resources including but not limited to recruitment and employment, personnel records, employee relations, job evaluation, compensation management, benefits administration, organization development, training, and special projects. Assist with the development/implementation of human resources policies and procedures. Prepare reports in conformance with legislated requirements or organization needs. The HR Generalist works closely with the Regional HR Manager to develop and implement business aligned HR programs and initiatives that promote effective business management and employee relations. Please view job description and requirements online at www.celestenergyservices.com. Apply today!

INTERNET

IT ADMINISTRATOR and CUSTOMER SUPPORT
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BASIN ELECTRIC TECHNOLOGY

OTHER JOBS

Meet the Recruiting Team
Wednesday, September 3rd
11am — 3pm at 2530 S. Midkiff

We are now hiring Broadband Technicians.
We value strong teams built on caring relationships. All employees make a unique and positive contribution towards our company. Suddenlink is searching for individuals with a caring attitude and enjoy helping customers.

Suddenlink offers advancement opportunities, BBT Progression Program, competitive pay & benefit package including 401k, medical, dental, vision, generous discounts on services & more!

Assistant Manager
Aus-Mex Tortilleria now hiring an Assistant Manager. Must have good driving record, bilingual a plus. Salary negotiable. Send resume to brianschaetz@hotmail.com, fax 432-561-5349 or call Jose at 432-561-5069

Book Fair Merchandiser
Scholastic Book Fairs: We're seeking a Book Fair Merchandiser to work with the schools in the Midland/ Odessa area. this is a Part Time seasonal position work schedule varies depending on business needs, primarily Monday thru Friday during day to late afternoon hours. You can also learn more about careers with Scholastic Book Faris by visiting our web site www.scholastic.com/sbfjobs. Or Call Odell Jones at 440-876-2208 Scholastic Book Fairs believes diversity leads to strength. EOE/AA/H/V/DFWP

CDL Bus Driver, Kitchen Help
Seeking CDL bus driver, part time Monday through Friday 2:45 to 4:45 $25.00 hour. Also looking kitchen help. Call Michael 432-663-0050.

Drywall & Acoustical Journeymen & Laborers
Need experienced Drywall and Acoustical Journeymen and Laborers. Competitive wages paid. Must be able to pass background check and drug test. Call 432-683-1618 to schedule an appointment.

General Labor/Welder Helper
Starting Pay: $14.00/hourly Hours: 45+/weekly. Requirements: Work to be performed inside and outside year round. Physical ability to lift 75 lbs. Must report to work on time and perform job responsibilities in a timely manner in order to meet scheduled deadlines. General working knowledge of torches, grinders, and use of other hand tools. Must be 18 years of age. All applicants will be subject to a pre-employment background check. Must reside in the area, Midland/Odessa. Call to schedule an appointment between 8:30-4:00 M-F. 432-697-7400.

House Cleaner/Helper
House cleaner/helper needed! Will be responsible for house work, laundry, windows, and possible errands, three days a week. Start ASAP! Pay DOE! Please call 432-520-3853 or 638-8267.

Janitorial & Custodial Positions
Part-time positions needed 7pm - 10pm, Monday - Friday. Pay DOE. Background check required. Call 432-413-3969

JANITOR
Needed from 8am-3pm, Monday thru Friday. Need dependable and energetic person. Apply at 1307 N Big Spring. 8:30am-5:30pm.

JOB FAIR
September 30
10am - 3pm
Midland Center, 105 N Main St

Over 60 businesses from all industries will be interviewing and hiring job seekers.

Call 687-8814 for more information.
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OTHER JOBS

Structural Welder Needed
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Warehouse/Delivery
Warehouse/delivery help needed for local wholesale business. Monday-Friday, possible for some half days on Saturday. Experience a plus, but not necessary. Call 432-520-9571 for more details.

Warehouse Worker
Corley Paper & Box FT
Warehouse worker must be able to lift 50 lbs. and have Texas driver's license. 8am-5pm, Monday-Friday. Please apply at: 5120 Andrews Highway.

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

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Domino's Pizza

Domino's Pizza is the number one food delivery company in the Basin. Full time drivers needed. Earn $35,000 to $70,000 a year in wages and tips. We are busy, busy, busy! Your earning power delivering pizzas is amazing! Great customer service = great tips! Part timers needed too! Earn up to $100 a shift in as little as 4 hour shifts!

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RETAIL JOBS

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Westlake ACE Hardware, has immediate opening for a Floor Manager and Hourly Key Holder. The Floor Manager plays an important role in all aspects of store management. Previous retail management preferred. Salary and Bonus eligible. Please submit your resume and salary requirements for consideration to loastro@westlakehardware.com or fax to 866-490-0460. The Hourly key holder will be responsible for opening/closing store in the absence of a manager including security procedures. Position pays $14-$15 an hour, incentive eligible. Apply at the store at 1004 Andrews Highway, Midland TX. We offer competitive pay, bonus eligibility, paid vacations and holidays, a liberal employee discount and other benefits.

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SKILLED LABOR

Excellent Opportunity!
H&E Equipment Services has an immediate opening for a Shop Mechanic for our Midland, TX location. Our ideal mechanic has a minimum of 2-3 years' experience in mechanically diagnosing, repairing and maintaining various types of construction equipment. Apply today at: https://hehiring.com/JobDesc.asp?JobID=1366

EXPERIENCED ELECTRICIANS
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Mechanics needed for Industrial Oilfield Shop. Must be experienced working on centrifugal & positive displacement pumps. Furnish your own tools. Uniforms provided. Benefits package includes vacation, health insurance and retirement match savings. Salary depends on experience. Please submit resume by fax to 432-570-1115 or email toshawn@basinengine.com. Applications can be filled out at 1914 S. County Rd. 1083, Midland, TX.

Journeyman & Apprentice Plumbers
Plumbing Contractor seeking licensed Journeymen & Apprentice plumbers with experience in commercial plumbing. Must have active license or apprentice card. Benefits: health insurance, participation in 401k, optional life insurance, vacation. Pay according to experience. Please call: 972-436-4010.

MACHINIST NEEDED
Pumping Unit Service Company has an immediate opening for an experienced manual machinist, CNC is a plus but not required. Excellent benefits, 401k plus company match, medical/dental paid by company, uniforms provided all after 90 days. Experienced applicants please call Terry @ 432-563-7185. Salary DOE.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

Supplement your income by delivering newspapers for a few hours in the early mornings between 12:00am - 6:00am. The Midland Reporter-Telegram is currently seeking individuals who are interested in delivering newspapers in the residential areas in and around the City of Midland. If interested, MUST have a reliable vehicle, proof of automobile insurance in your name, a valid driver's license, must understand that this is a 7 day a week delivery commitment as an Independent Contractor.

THE PROFIT FOR THESE ROUTES IS ABOUT $650-$1,000 a month, depending on the size of the route. This is a perfect way to generate the extra money you need.

If interested in starting a newspaper route:
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MRT Media Group
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jhouston@mrt.com

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PRESSMAN
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This 5-6 day per week, fast paced, deadline oriented position, requires: night shift/weekend work, with a strong emphasis on safety. The Midland Reporter-Telegram offers a full package of company benefits including 401K program. Salary DOE.
Send resume and salary requirements to:
John Maddox, Director of Production/Facilities
c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram 201 E. Illinois St., Midland, TX 79701. E-mail:jmaddox@hearstnp.com
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Shipping Coordinator
IMMEDIATE POSITION AVAILABLE! SHIPPING COORDINATOR Teledrift Inc. is looking for a highly motivated, self-driven individual to fill this full time position. Benefits include: 401K, Insurance, and Vacation time. Applicants must have: High School Diploma or GED, excellent communication and time management skills, basic knowledge of Excel, Word, and Outlook, and be available to work all shifts including weekends when necessary. Forklift experience is a plus. Contact Thomas (405) 631-4882.

TECHNOLOGY

System Support Technician
Resolute Energy has an immediate opening for a System Support Technician located in Midland, TX. This position monitors and enhances the network and conducts user support. Also addresses the information systems needs of users. Must have ability to:
- Troubleshoot user problems and maintaining local area infrastructure
- Handle the day-to-day needs of the LAN environment
- Install and configure hardware, software, servers, switches, etc.
- Occasional travel-to other offices would be required

Associate's degree (Bachelor preferred) in Computer Science or equivalent. Please visit www.ResoluteEnergy.com to apply.

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

CDL and non-CDL Drivers
Total Logistics/Lone Star Delivery is hiring drivers. CDL and non-CDL positions available. Weekly pay, home every night, paid health insurance, competitive wages. Please call 432-561-8650 for more info and address to apply.

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B & B Wrecker Service is looking to hire CDL Drivers and Non CDL Drivers. Must be 21 years or older. Good driving record. Paid every Friday. Health Insurance provided. Please come by 2823 S. Rankin Hwy.

CDL Drivers
Bad Boy Express LLC is looking for motivated CDL Drivers. At least 3 years experience and a clean driving record required. Great pay and assigned trucks. For more information please call 432-230-5297 or email bad.boyexpress@yahoo.com

CDL Drivers
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TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

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Prefer drivers with Pneumatic Tanker experience. Benefits include: medical, life and dental insurance, and paid vacation. Applicants having experience hauling sand and/or dry cement helpful. Good driving record, DOT, drug & alcohol testing required. Apply in person, call 432-563-1894 for interview or online @ www.rockwaterenergy.com

DRIVERS NEEDED IMMEDIATELY
Regional Ice Manufacturer Seeking FULL-TIME Route Delivery Drivers for the Midland, TX. area. Home Every Night Class A or B CDL Required Pre-Employment Drug Screen and Clean Driving Record a Must Able to lift minimum a of 50 lbs. Pays an excellent hourly wage and commission Full Benefits Package Available. Call 1-800-321-5556 or apply online at arcticglacier.com

Owner / Operators Drivers
Ricky Shuler Trucking is looking for Drivers who are wanting to become Owner/ Operators. Equipment: single cab tractor leased to own purchase, trailer furnished but will remain property of Ricky Shuler Trucking. Must have CDL- A with Tanker/ HazMat endorsements, strong work history, crude oil hauling experience & must pass DOT, drug/ alcohol requirements. Owner/ Operators willing to relocate or currently residing in the following areas, Odessa, TX., Midland, TX., Big Spring, TX., Andrews, TX., Pecos, TX. & Carlsbad, N.M. Contact Phyllis @ 432-923-1064 between 9am & 4pm for additional information & application.

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Contact John Burdett for more details 432-488-6430 or 432-661-5577

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6 MONTH old Chocolate Lab mix puppies. Need room to run. Free to good home. 432-559-6874

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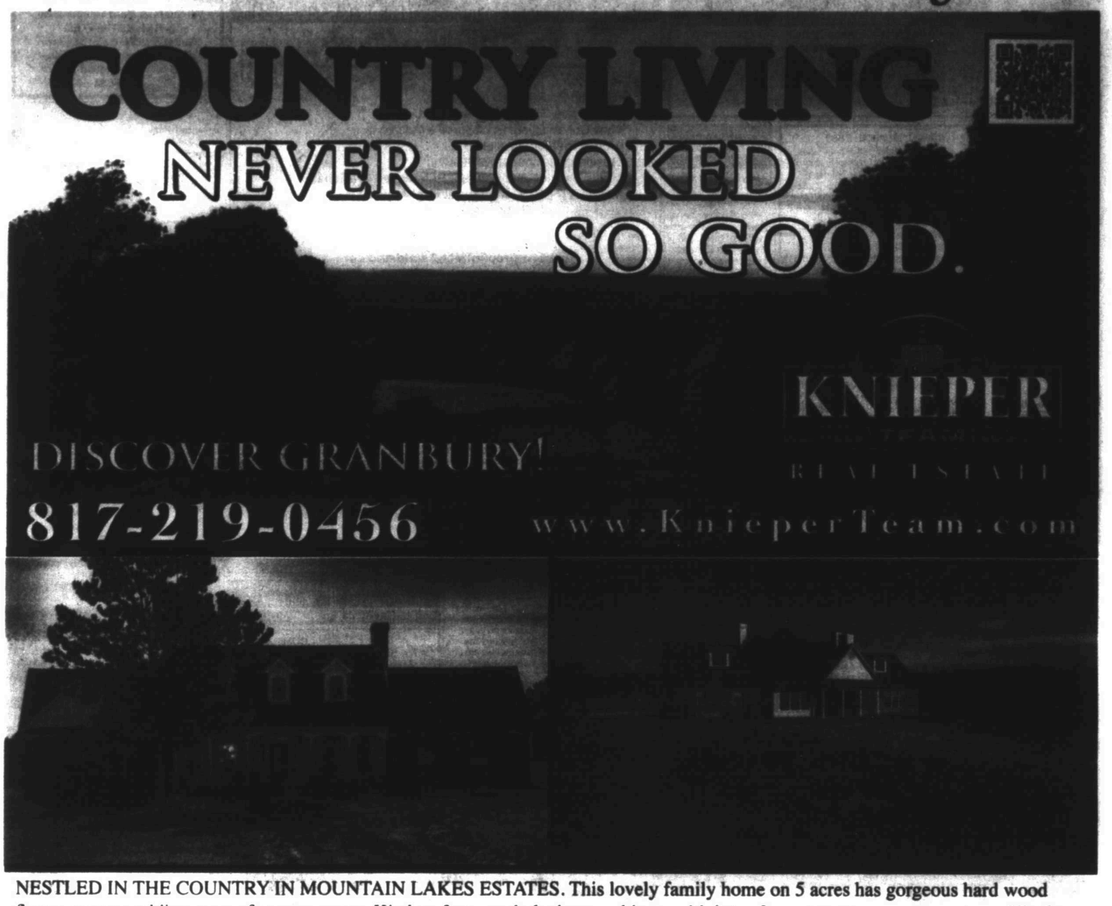

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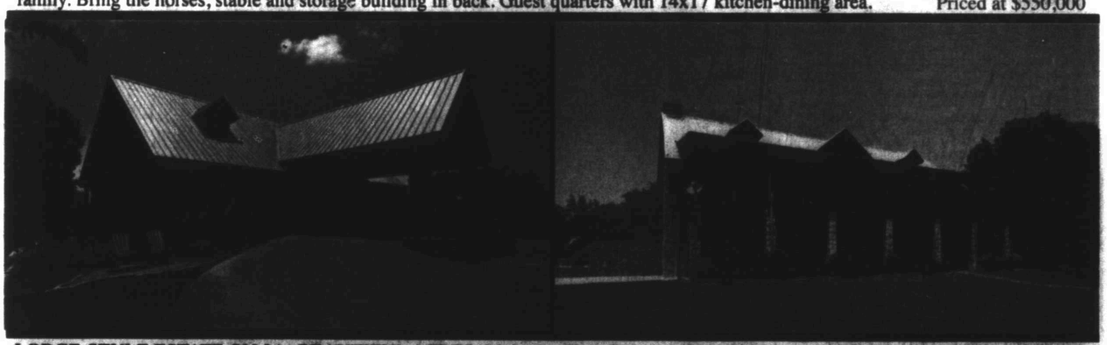

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