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Tea party poised for big wins in GOP runoffs

Millions of dollars in attack ads have given incumbents all they can handle

By Paul J. Weber
Associated Press

FORT WORTH — A tea party leader is favored to become Texas' lieutenant governor. A Ted Cruz-endorsed newcomer is inching closer to replacing Democrat Wendy Davis in the statehouse. On television, millions of dollars in attack ads have given established Republican incumbents all they can handle.

For all the talk of Texas growing competitive for Democrats in 2016 and beyond, GOP voters are poised to make a harder turn right today.

Though the tea party has sputtered this year in elections around the country, Texas' conservative insurgents are the frontrunners in Republican primary runoffs for major statewide offices and positioned to bolster their ranks in the Legislature. Victories now and again in November would signal an aggressive new slate of Republican priorities — from tightened spending to expanded gun rights — after Gov. Rick Perry leaves office in January.

Of the four statewide GOP races, none have been nastier than state Sen. Dan Patrick trying to oust longtime Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst. Republicans are also nominating an attorney general to replace Greg Abbott, who faces Davis in the governor's race, and candidates for nearly a dozen statehouse races.

"We're supposed to be this very conservative state, and the people in Texas are, yet our Legislature doesn't always reflect that," said Republican Konnie Burton, a tea party leader running for Davis' state Senate seat in Fort Worth. "We are going in a different direction than many states, but I don't think we're the only ones. We're probably just louder. We're Texans, right?"

For Democrats, it's a less lively runoff. Their main decision is choosing a U.S. Senate nominee to serve as token opposition to Republican John Cornyn, and Democrats have spent much of the primary trying to dissuade their voters from picking Kesha Rogers, who's called for impeaching President Barack Obama and still forced a runoff against Dallas dental mogul David Alameel.

But the most attention — and money —

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HONORING THOSE WHO GAVE ALL

Photos by Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Above: Midland High JrROTC Air Force Honor Guard members Hannah Issbell and Sloan Kail demonstrate the flag-folding procedure Monday to end the Memorial Day ceremony at the Commemorative Air Force Airpower Museum.

Bottom left: Members of the Midland County Mounted Patrol salute as planes fly overhead in a missing man formation at the Memorial Day ceremony.

Bottom right: Nanette Sever talks with Granville Coggs and Theodore Johnson, both original members of the Tuskegee Airmen, who spoke Monday during the Memorial Day ceremony at the CAF museum.

CAF museum hosts annual Memorial Day celebration

By Tessa Duvall
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John Casey, a retired Korean War Army veteran, and his wife, Annette, have attended the local Memorial Day ceremony at the Commemorative Air Force's Airpower Museum for "a lot" of years.

"We've been coming for so many years we can't remember how long it's been," Annette Casey said, laughing.

The Caseys and other Permian Basin families will continue to be able to attend the Memorial Day ceremony for years to come, according to CAF officials.

Gena Linebarger, AirSho chair and CAF High Sky Wing leader, said the CAF headquarters' move to Dallas will not impact any local events.

The annual Memorial Day ceremony, AirSho, Hops & Props and Mustang Stampede will continue to be in Midland, Linebarger said.

Additionally, the local wing will continue to display, maintain and operate CAF-owned aircraft, as well as planes owned by High Sky members, she said.

The latest CAF plane to be assigned to the High Sky Wing is a Beechcraft Model 18, which was on display throughout the day's events. Similar versions of the World War II-era plane were used to train bombardiers at Midland Army Airfield. Linebarger said the High Sky Wing will be able to sell rides on the new plane, which will generate revenue for the local organization.

John Casey said this year he wanted to see the B-17 bomber "Sentimental Journey," which was on display Monday at the George H.W. and Barbara Bush Commemorative Center.

The Caseys said they have a fondness for planes. Their son was a lieutenant colonel in the Air Force when he retired after 20 years of service. Annette Casey grew up near Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and recalled watching planes take off and soldiers practice parachuting.

"They're the ones that gave us freedom in the sky," John Casey said.

The Memorial Day ceremony began with the national anthem, the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Medal of Honor Memorial Induction. This year's inductees were: Franklin M. McDonald, Indian War; Silvestre

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Petroleum Academy Survey

Petroleum Academy Survey
Midland ISD parents and community members are invited to take a High School Petroleum Energy Academy Survey, available at www.midandied.net.

The survey will be available through today.

Kim Evans, MISD director of Career & Technical Education, said the school district is exploring the possibility of a new offering for the 2015-2016 school year. "MISD is looking into establishing a petroleum energy academy in order to train our students and to meet the needs of the community," she said.

National spelling bee

Alamo Junior High eighth-grader Gabby Rubio is in Washington, D.C., this week to compete in the Scripps National Spelling Bee. The preliminary rounds are Wednesday; the semifinals and finals are Thursday. The event is being aired on ESPN. The schedule is:

■ Wednesday: Preliminary rounds — 7 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. (CDT) live on ESPN3. Rubio is in a group that will appear on stage beginning 9 a.m. and 2:15 p.m. (CDT).

■ Thursday: Semifinals — 9 a.m. (CDT) live on ESPN2; Finals: 7 p.m. (CDT) live on ESPN.

Read more about Rubio in Wednesday's Reporter-Telegram.

Support groups, club meetings today

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

■ Peer to Peer support group for veterans, active duty, guard, reserves and their families, 6 p.m., Permian Basin Community Center, 401 E. Illinois Ave., Suite 403; Wil Hoggard, 213-5342, william.hoggard@wtcmhmr.org.

■ Classic Movie Club, 7 p.m., Cigar Frog's, 216 N. Main St.; 687-1671.

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

■ Midland Optimist Club, noon, Abuelo's, 4610 N. Garfield St.; 685-7486.

Meetings this week

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

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

Hospital District
1:10 p.m. Wednesday
MMH Administration Office boardroom

Talk show schedules

News talk
KCRS (AM 550)
6-9 a.m. The Morning Drive with Robert Hallmark and Kurt Verlei
9-11 a.m. Lynn Woolley
11 a.m.-2 p.m. Rush Limbaugh
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Midnight-6 a.m. Coast to Coast with George Noory
Web: http://www.newstalkkcrs.com/

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6-10 a.m. Morning Show with Craig Anderson
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11 p.m.-6 a.m. The Music of Your Life
Web: http://www.kwel.com

Sport talk
KMND (AM 1510)
6-9 a.m. Mike and Mike in the Morning

Watering schedule

The current outdoor watering schedule allows residents and businesses in the city of Midland to water twice per week.

Even numbered addresses may water outdoors on Saturdays and Wednesdays from 6 p.m. until midnight.

Odd numbered addresses may water outdoors on Fridays and Tuesdays from 6 p.m. until midnight.

Any violation may result in a fine up to $500.

The washing outdoor surfaces ban is still in effect.

Use of water to fill, refill or add to any indoor or outdoor swimming pools, wading pools or Jacuzzi-type pools is prohibited except on designated watering days between the hours of 6 p.m. and midnight beginning on their designated watering days.

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 2-0-1
Pick 3 day: 9-6-5
Pick 3 evening: 3-4-3
Pick 3 night: 7-6-9
Daily 4 morning: 2-2-3-5
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All or Nothing day: 2-4-8-9-11-12-13-14-15-16-20-21
All or Nothing evening: 2-3-4-5-6-7-8-10-12-15-19-21
All or Nothing night: 1-3-4-5-7-11-13-15-20-21-23-24

Oil and gas experience matters a lot in this race

Editor's Note: The following op-ed first appeared on the Texas Tribune web site.

By Ryan Sitton
Railroad Commission candidate

Would you let an untrained layperson perform open-heart surgery on you? Would you fly with someone who had never piloted a plane? The obvious answer is no. So why would Texans trust someone with zero oil and gas experience to oversee that industry?

The experience and technical expertise I've acquired throughout my career in oil and gas make me well suited to serve. I earned an engineering degree from Texas A&M University and have worked in the energy industry my entire professional career. If elected, I'll be the first engineer to serve on the Railroad Commission in more than 50 years.

Oil and gas production is fueling the Texas economy. It's creating jobs, opportunity, wealth and security. Every single Texan is benefiting in some way from the booming industry — and America is benefiting as well. As your next railroad commissioner, I want to ensure that we continue to maximize production and develop strategies to reduce our dependence on foreign oil. For the first time in generations, Texas has the chance to lead America to energy independence, but it's going to take bold leadership. I'm the only person in the race with the experience, vision and passion to make energy independence a reality.

I've lived the Texas dream, and I want every Texan to have that opportunity. In 2006 my wife and I started an energy engineering and technology company out of our house that now employs more than 300 people. We do business in energy markets around the world. My work has taken me to Europe, the Middle East and Asia, and I can tell you that no one does a better job producing energy than folks right here in the great state of Texas.

In spite of a barrage of unfounded personal attacks from my opponent, I've run a positive campaign focused on my qualifications, experience and goals. I've pointed out that my opponent, Wayne Christian, proposed green-energy mandates that would have subsidized a wood-burning power plant and cost every ratepayer more money. In fact, Austin Energy tried Christian's model of energy production, and customers were left with significantly higher rates and an idling plant. That's bad energy policy.

As railroad commissioner, I'll focus every day on solving the big challenges facing our energy industry. We need to figure out how to encourage private investment in transmission and refining facilities. We need to vigilantly and vigorously push back against federal regulators that are interfering with our energy production. We need a long-term energy policy to meet the needs of our rapidly growing population. We need the Railroad Commission to keep up with the technological advances in the industry and revamp rules to ensure that they make sense for our state's most important industry. We need competent and qualified leadership on the Railroad Commission.

I'm not a career politician, and I don't want to be one. I'm not running to boost my retirement or because I need a job. I'm running to make sure that the Railroad Commission has leaders with expertise who will make the right decisions for Texas' energy future.

Let's not hop on the plane with the guy who's never flown before and cross our fingers that we arrive at our destination safely.

This commission needs conservative leadership

Editor's Note: The following op-ed first appeared on the Texas Tribune web site.

By Wayne Christian
Railroad Commission candidate

Texas is on the cusp of energy independence. Now is the time to lead our nation into a new era of American energy.

Oil and gas is truly the engine driving our Texas Miracle: $172 billion in annual economic production and more than $24 billion in tax revenue in the last biennium alone means our energy sector is critical and therefore requires strong, conservative leadership.

Texas needs an experienced conservative fighter who will proactively defend our energy sector from the federal government, protect citizens from bad actors, ensure frivolous regulations are stripped from the books and streamline the permitting process to ensure Texas producers are able to operate at maximum capacity.

The Railroad Commission has for far too long been used as a political stepping-stone for higher office. Texas does not need another smooth talker like Ryan Sitton using the Railroad Commission as collateral damage in his journey up the slippery pole that is Republican politics in Texas.

Sitton has run for office before, using these same negative, Chicago-style campaign tactics against his conservative opponent Greg Bonnen. In the end, the voters of Galveston County saw right through the rhetoric, handing Sitton a whopping 15-point loss. This time my opponent has taken his hyper-negative quest for office statewide, and the conservative grassroots are looking to give him the same results on a larger scale.

Our grassroots support in this race has been unmatched. I am proud to have the endorsement of nearly every conservative leader and organization in the state of Texas. I have won 20 grassroots straw polls conducted statewide, while my opponent has yet to win one. On Election Day in March, I was able to enter the runoff with a solid 12-point lead despite being outspent 4-to-1.

My record as a Texas legislator stands on its own. Conservative watchdog organizations across the state have backed me for my consistently conservative voting record and have rated me as one of the most conservative legislators in the last decade. Members of energy advocacy groups support me because I am a proven leader, with a record of standing up for Texas oil and gas on the House floor.

The chairman of the House Energy Committee has said that the Railroad Commission is headed "right into a buzz saw" if Sitton is elected. His glaring conflict of interest would be catastrophic for the sunset review process at a time when the issue is in desperate need of closure.

For eight months, Sitton denied even having a conflict of interest. Now he claims he will put his company into a blind trust. A blind trust won't rectify the conflict or change this situation for Sitton, who already knows who his clients are and what his company does. This campaign has seen Sitton flip and spin his business practices so often he'd make a dance club DJ dizzy.

I'm not running to be the next member of the Texas Railroad Commission to raise my political profile. I've battled for conservative causes for decades, and I know how to get things done. Permits for drilling need approving. The Railroad Commission needs modernizing to help business continue to grow in our state. Our property rights, now more than ever, need protection from an out-of-control federal government. These are the battles I've fought before in the Legislature. As railroad commissioner I'll have my eyes on the prize, making Texas No. 1 in the world for energy production. My opponent will just have his eyes on the next political office.

5 THINGS TO WATCH

FROM WIRE REPORTS

AUSTIN — The results of Texas' primary runoff elections today could reveal underlying trends ahead of the November general election in the nation's largest conservative state. Here are five things to watch in the Republican and Democratic runoffs:

TEA PARTY TRIUMPH?

Ever since grass-roots firebrand Ted Cruz upset Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst in their 2012 Republican U.S. Senate primary, most top Texas conservatives have scrambled hard to the right. Even though insurgent candidates have struggled this year elsewhere around the country, the Texas GOP's enthusiastic embrace of tea party ideals will continue if two runoff races go as expected.

LAST DAYS OF DEWHURST?

It has been a tough couple of years for a man who was once a powerful force in Texas politics. As recently as 2012, the millionaire energy mogul from Houston had what the mainstream Texas GOP considered a solidly conservative record as head of the state Senate and was the establishment's lock to succeed retiring U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison. Then Cruz sprung his upset. Dewhurst eventually finished a distant second in a four-way race to keep his job in March. He appeared to struggle to make up ground before the runoff — despite pumping $5 million of his own fortune into his campaign. Dewhurst had promised to retire after one more term, but he may be headed home far sooner than that.

DEMOCRATIC DISASTER?

Will a candidate who wants to impeach the sitting Democratic president win the party's U.S. Senate nomination in Texas? Kesha Rogers, who is allied with frequent presidential candidate and conspiracy theorist Lyndon LaRouche, has been so vocal about calling for Barack Obama's impeachment that the Texas Democratic Party has urged its supporters not to vote for her.

DOWN-BALLOT DRAMA?

Though Ken Paxton is favored to beat Dan Branch in the Republican race to succeed Attorney General Greg Abbott, the vote could be closer than expected since state regulators recently fined Paxton $1,000 for failing to disclose his work as an investment adviser.

CAN HALL HANG ON?

At 91, Congressman Ralph Hall is the oldest-ever member of the U.S. House and is seeking what he says will be his final term in his northeast Texas-based seat. But he has been forced into the first runoff of his congressional career by a challenger barely half his age. Former U.S. Attorney John Ratcliffe, 48, is backed by top tea party groups and says Hall has become too cozy with the GOP establishment.

Associated Press

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has been on the Republican ballot.

Dewhurst, who finished a distant second in March, has spent $5 million of his own fortune in trying to mount a comeback and shed accusations that he's become too entrenched and moderate after 11 years in office. But Patrick, founder of the state Senate's tea party caucus, has attracted more outside support — a $4 million haul in the last two months, impressive even by Texas' political fundraising standards.

Candidates have wooed GOP voters by saying Texas can do more to expand gun rights, restrict access to abortions and tackle illegal immigration. Tea party-backed candidates have also admonished the Republican-controlled Legislature as financially reckless and vowed to slash economic incentives they deride as corporate welfare.

That troubles Bill Hammond, a Republican and president of the influential Texas Association of Business, who said he's worried about Texas losing a competitive edge in luring companies and the GOP turning away Hispanic voters.

"It's much more so this cycle than you have in the past. You've seen some very solid conservative candidates defeated in the Texas Republican primary, unfortunately," Hammond said. "It's absolutely a concern more and more for us."

Unlike in 2010 and 2012, tea party-backed candidates are dealing with a disappointing election year, particularly in congressional and U.S. Senate races. But Cruz, who rode the wave to Washington and bolstered Burton's campaign with a rare endorsement, said Texas stands out with March's primary results.

"I think Texans want principled leaders who will listen to the people," Cruz said.

Even a GOP runoff for a seat on the State Board of Education has shades of tea party-versus-establishment. Pat Hardy, a 12-year incumbent on the solidly conservative board that has gained national attention over ideological battles over creationism and magnifying Christianity in history lessons, faces a challenge from Eric Mahroum that puzzles even her critics.

"She was a Texas Republican before being a Texas Republican was cool," said Dan Quinn of the Texas Freedom Network, a liberal-leaning watchdog. "She's been pretty darn conservative, it's sort of remarkable that's where the division is these days."

Election info

Today is Election Day for the statewide primary runoff. Registered voters may cast ballots 7 a.m.-7 p.m. at any one of six voting centers:

■ Midland County Annex, 211 N. "A" St.;

■ Midland County Public Library Centennial Branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N;

■ Cogdell Learning Center, 211 W. Florida Ave.;

■ Fairmont Park Church of Christ, 3813 N. Midland Drive;

■ Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane; and

■ St. Paul's Methodist Church, 4501 Thomason Drive.

Races on the primary ballot are:

■ Republican: lieutenant governor, David Dewhurst vs. Dan Patrick; attorney general, Ken Paxton vs. Dan Branch; agriculture commissioner, Tommy Merritt vs. Sid Miller; and railroad commissioner, Ryan Sitton vs. Wayne Christian.

■ Democratic: U.S. senator, Kesha Rogers vs. David M. Alameel; and agriculture commissioner, Richard "Kinky" Friedman vs. Jim Hogan.

Tuskegee Airmen meet pilot they escorted

Associated Press

BIG FLATS, N.Y. — The last time Bill Strapko and Roscoe C. Brown crossed paths, they were in separate warplanes trying to survive one of the most famous bombing missions in Europe during World War II.

A Memorial Day weekend reunion of some of the last surviving members of the Tuskegee Airmen brought the two New Yorkers together nearly 70 years after their units flew from southern Italy to the heart of Nazi Germany to attack Berlin. Strapko, 95, of North Tonawanda, was invited to Saturday's Return of the Red Tails celebration at the Wings of Eagles Discovery Center in Big Flats, near Elmira, The Buffalo News reported.

Six former Tuskegee Airmen, America's first black military pilots, attended the event. Among them was Roscoe C. Brown Jr., 92, of New York City, commander of the fighter squadron that escorted Strapko's formation of B-17 Flying Fortresses during the mission to Berlin on March 24, 1945.

At about 1,600 miles roundtrip, it was the European Theater's longest mission flown by American bombers while escorted by fighters —in this case, the 100th Fighter Squadron, known as the Red Tails for the color of their planes' tails.

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Santana Herrera, Samuel David Dealey and James E. Robinson Jr., World War II; John Edward Kilmer, Korean War; and Thomas Elbert Creek and Miguel Keith, Vietnam War.

Jack Barnes, Permian Basin Honor Flight director, also gave a presentation about the inaugural Permian Basin Honor Flight coming up in September and asked audience members to consider donating to the cause.

"This is about everybody," he said. "Everybody can do something."

CAF President and CEO Stephan Brown told the crowd that he pledged a personal donation for Honor Flight and promised an additional $5,000 from the CAF itself.

U.S. Rep. Mike Conaway of Texas' District 11, who is an Army veteran, addressed the hundreds of guests in the audience.

"Today, clearly is an important day, but it's not the only day that we should remember the men and women who've made the ultimate sacrifice for our country, for our freedom, and ultimately, for you and me," Conaway said. "Please do not take the thoughts and memories that you have today and lock them away until next year at this time. Think about these folks and their sacrifices — day in and day out — as you live your lives and live them as a result of their sacrifices."

Conaway also paid homage to two of the original Tuskegee Airmen in attendance, as well as a Japanese-American man he recently met who fought in World War II for America, despite his family's relocation to an internment camp in Arkansas.

"It takes a real special brand of patriotism to fight for a country that limits your rights or imprisons your parents," he said.

The two Tuskegee Airmen at the ceremony — Dr. Granville Coggs and Theodore Johnson — spoke to the audience after the ceremony and lunch.

Coggs, who declared himself to be 88-years-young, trained to become a bombardier at Midland Army Airfield in 1944 and graduated in January 1945.

However, Coggs said the Army Air Corps had trained enough black bombardiers and black navigators. What the Army needed, he said, was more black pilots. Coggs jumped at the opportunity to return to Tuskegee for pilot training, as well as return to the woman he was courting.

"This was the real deal for me," he said. "And, this was the one time in my life that being black was to my advantage."

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Chevron responds to op-ed from Ecuador's ambassador

Stephen W. Green
Chevron Corp.

The recent column by Ecuador's Ambassador Nathalie Cely contains several glaring omissions and falsehoods.

Most importantly, she fails to mention that in March a U.S. federal court ruled that the Ecuadorian judgment against Chevron was the product of fraud and racketeering activity, finding it unenforceable in the United States. As presiding Judge Lewis Kaplan stated in the court's ruling: "The wrongful actions of Donziger and his Ecuadorian legal team would be offensive to the laws of any nation that aspires to the rule of law, including Ecuador — and they knew it."

The ruling concluded that Steven Donziger, the lead American lawyer behind the Ecuadorian lawsuit against Chevron, violated the federal Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, committing extortion, money laundering, wire fraud, Foreign Corrupt Practices Act violations, witness tampering and obstruction of justice in obtaining the Ecuadorian judgment and in trying to cover up his and his associates' crimes. The decision confirms that the Ecuadorian judgment against Chevron was the product of a criminal enterprise, and it prevents Mr. Donziger and his collaborators from profiting from their illegal acts. The court also detailed several instances in which Ecuador's government leaders met with Donziger and offered to support and advance his fraudulent case.

The Ambassador also fails to note that Chevron has never operated in Ecuador. Texaco Petroleum (TexPet), which became a subsidiary of Chevron in 2001, was a minority partner in an oil-production consortium in Ecuador along with the state-owned oil company, Petroecuador, from 1964 to 1992. After TexPet ceased operations in Ecuador, pursuant to an agreement with the Republic, it fully remediated its share of production sites. The sites that TexPet was to remediate were negotiated and agreed to by the Republic of Ecuador. After the remediation was complete, it was certified by the government and TexPet exited the country with a full release by the Republic of Ecuador from further environmental liability. Petroecuador, however, has continued to operate many of the sites in the former concession over the last 20 years with a dismal environmental record. Any remaining environmental issues are the sole responsibility of Petroecuador.

It is clear that the ambassador's continued offensive against Chevron is nothing more than an attempt to divert attention from the government's own responsibilities to its people and the environment.

Chevron believes that the people of the Oriente region of Ecuador, who lack basic infrastructure, deserve a better quality of life. It is unfortunate that Ecuador's government leaders and foreign diplomats continue to perpetuate this fraud rather than help the people they claim to represent.

Project aims to restore Galveston Bay oyster reefs

By Christopher Smith-Gonzales
Galveston County Daily News

GALVESTON — Floating just a couple of meters above an oyster reef in Galveston Bay, two scientists working to improve the reef sifted through rock and shell pulled up from the bottom.

"I don't see any spat," said Bryan Legare, a natural resource specialist with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, as he looked for the small, immature oysters.

"It might be a little early for spat since it's been such a cold winter," said colleague Bill Rodney, an oyster restoration biologist, as they looked over the pile of cultch — the hard material including rock, crushed limestone and shell that oysters attach to.

The young oysters, or spat, will develop as the weather warms, but the pressing question is whether the right conditions will exist for them to grow to mature oysters, which then become part of a multimillion business and which fill an important ecological niche.

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is in the midst of the largest oyster reef restoration project it's ever undertaken. It's an effort to provide oysters with a hard surface they can grow on.

The silt deposited in the bay by Hurricane Ike in 2008 and the ongoing drought have damaged oyster reefs in Galveston Bay. Not much can be done about the lack of rain, but the department is trying to do something to deal with the silt by depositing almost 80,000 tons of river rock, ranging from the size of a marble to a small brick, over Middle Reef, Pepper Grove Reef and Hannah's Reef in East Bay and the large Sabine Reef in Sabine Lake.

The $4.2 million project began this month and will likely continue until August. Most of the funds are coming from the federal Coastal Impact Assessment Program, which distributes fees from offshore oil and gas leases to states that have leases off their coasts, Rodney said. Coastal Conservation Association Texas, The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and the foundation's Gulf Environmental Benefit Fund provided additional project funding.

"One thing we are lacking in, especially Texas, is hard substrate for oysters to attach to," Legare said.

While Legare and Rodney looked for healthy oysters in a previously restored section of Hannah's Reef in East Bay just a few hundred yards away, a barge floats low in the water weighed down by tons of river rock.

Workers on an adjoining barge blast the rock into the water with high-pressure water cannons. The rock is distributed this way to help get an even distribution over the reef, Rodney said.

Work has been going on now for at least seven years to map, study and restore oyster reefs along the Texas Coast, he said.

And right now, Rodney and Legare agree oyster reefs in Galveston Bay aren't doing very well.

"Hurricane Ike wiped out a lot of oyster reefs in Galveston Bay," Rodney said. "Most of those oyster reefs are covered with a lot of mud."

Scientists estimate 6,000 acres of oyster reefs were lost in the 2008 hurricane. Since then, the ongoing drought has meant less freshwater has reached the bay, increasing its salinity, which can harm oysters, Rodney said.

This year has been an "absolutely horrible year" for oyster fishing in Galveston Bay, said Clifford Hillman, owner of Hillman Shrimp and Oyster in Dickinson.

His family started working in the seafood businesses in 1921, and Hillman began his own shrimp and oyster fishing business in the late 1970s.

Oysters are a multibillion-dollar business in the United States, and about 75 percent of the nation's oysters come from the Gulf Coast, he said. Of that, about 25 percent comes from Texas, where oysters are a multimillion-dollar industry, he said.

But the harvesting of oysters has become more difficult because of the silt deposited by Ike and because of the drought. More freshwater in the bay would help, but until the drought breaks, the next best thing is to replenish the hard substrate the oysters need to grow, Hillman said.

"The industry has been very proactive in concert with the efforts of Parks and Wildlife Coastal Fisheries and we are making some headway," he said.

Giving oysters something to grab onto will help restore an important part of the fishing economy.

Oysters feed by filtering tiny plants known as phytoplankton from the water, with a single oyster capable of filtering up to 50 gallons a day. This filter feeding also removes silt and contaminants from the water.

And while water filtration is one of the primary ecological functions of an oyster reef, oysters also provide other ecological services, Legare said.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Willy W. Denton, 39, of Midland, was charged Sunday with tampering with or fabricating physical evidence and possession of a controlled substance less than one gram.

Jesus C. Galindo, 52, of Midland, was charged Sunday with tampering with or fabricating physical evidence and possession of a controlled substance less than one gram in a drug-free zone.

Mario R. Machado-Zuniga, 29, of Midland, was charged Sunday with aggravated assault that caused severe bodily injury.

Justin L. Pulliam, 34, of Midland, was charged Sunday with assaulting a family or household member impeding breath and unlicensed possession of a firearm by a felon.

Manuel Sanchez, 17, of Midland, was charged Sunday with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Michael L. Vasquez, 32, of Midland, was charged Sunday with assaulting a public servant.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

STATE BRIEF

FROM WIRE REPORTS

DENTON

2 killed, 5 hurt when car strikes motorcycles

Two people have been killed and five others injured when a vehicle crossed the center line in North Texas and struck two oncoming motorcycles.

Texas Department of Public Safety Sgt. Lonny Haschel said it's not clear what caused the Toyota to veer into the northbound lane late Sunday afternoon northwest of Denton.

The driver of one motorcycle, 53-year-old Thomas Garcia of Ardmore, Oklahoma, died at the scene. His passenger, 33-year-old Cassie Turner, also of Ardmore, died later Sunday at a hospital.

Two people on the second motorcycle suffered serious injuries. A third motorcycle traveling with the others was able to avoid the collision.

The driver of the Toyota and her two passengers — another adult and a 6-year-old child — were in stable condition Monday. The three are from Weatherford, west of Fort Worth.

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In this 2010 photo released by Dominion Resources, a trailer holding a spent fuel storage container is maneuvered into position for offloading into a horizontal storage module at the Millstone Power Station in Waterford, Conn. With the collapse of a proposal for nuclear waste storage at Nevada's Yucca Mountain, Millstone and other plants across the country are building or expanding on-site storage for waste.

US plants prepare nuclear waste storage

By Michael Melia
Associated Press

WATERFORD, Conn. — Nuclear power plants across the United States are building or expanding storage facilities to hold their spent fuel — radioactive waste that by now was supposed to be on its way to a national dump.

The steel and concrete containers used to store the waste on-site were envisioned as only a short-term solution when introduced in the 1980s. Now they are the subject of reviews by industry and government to determine how they might hold up — if needed — for decades or longer.

With nowhere else to put its nuclear waste, the Millstone Power Station overlooking Long Island Sound is sealing it up in massive steel canisters on what used to be a parking lot. The storage pad, first built in 2005, was recently expanded to make room for seven times as many canisters filled with spent fuel.

Dan Steward, the first selectman in Waterford, which hosts Millstone, said he raises the issue every chance he can with Connecticut's congressional members.

"We do not want to become a nuclear waste site as a community," Steward said.

The government is pursuing a new plan for nuclear waste storage, hoping to break an impasse left by the collapse of a proposal for Nevada's Yucca Mountain. The Energy Department said it expects other states will compete for a repository, and the accompanying economic benefits, and it's already heard from potential hosts in New Mexico, Texas and Mississippi. But the plan faces hurdles including a need for new legislation that has stalled in Congress.

So plants are preparing to keep the high-level nuclear waste in their backyards indefinitely. Most of it remains in pools, which cool the spent fuel for several years once it comes out of the reactors. But with the pools at or nearing capacity, the majority is expected within a decade to be held in dry casks, or canisters, which are used in 34 states. Only three of the 62 commercial nuclear sites in the U.S. have yet to announce plans to build their own.

In the past few years since the Yucca Mountain plan was abandoned, the government and industry have opened studies to address unanswered questions about the long-term performance of dry cask storage. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission in 2011 began offering 40-year license renewals for casks, up from 20-year intervals. The tests are focusing on how to monitor degradation inside the canisters, environmental requirements for storage sites, and how well the canisters hold up with "high burnup," or longer-burning fuels that are now widely used by American plants.

"Now that we've shown that the national policy is shifting, we're having to relook at these systems to make sure they still meet the regulations for longer and longer periods of time," said Eric Benner, an NRC official who has served as the inspections branch chief with its spent fuel storage division.

At Millstone, 19 canisters loaded with spent fuel are arrayed on a concrete pad, which was expanded in October to make room for as many as 135 canisters by 2045. The canisters, which are cooled by air circulation, seal the waste with inert gas inside an inner chamber and are loaded into concrete modules. Workers regularly inspect temperature gauges and, during the winter, shovel snow off the vents.

Millstone's low-level nuclear waste is shipped to a disposal facility in Barnwell, South Carolina.

The spent fuel is piling up at a rate of about 2,200 tons a year at U.S. power-plant sites. The industry and government decline to say how much waste is currently stored at individual plants. The U.S. nuclear industry had 69,720 tons of uranium waste as of May 2013, with 49,620 tons in pools and 20,100 in dry storage, according to the Nuclear Energy Institute industry group.

Spent nuclear fuel is about 95 percent uranium. About 1 percent is other heavy elements such as curium, americium and plutonium-239. Each has an extremely long half-life — some take hundreds of thousands of years to lose all of their radioactive potency.

Watchdog groups said the dry storage poses fewer safety concerns than the reactors themselves, and many have pushed for spent fuel to be transferred more quickly from the pools. Heavy security is in place to deter sabotage by terrorists.

The administration's strategy calls for an interim storage facility by 2025 and a geologic repository by 2048.

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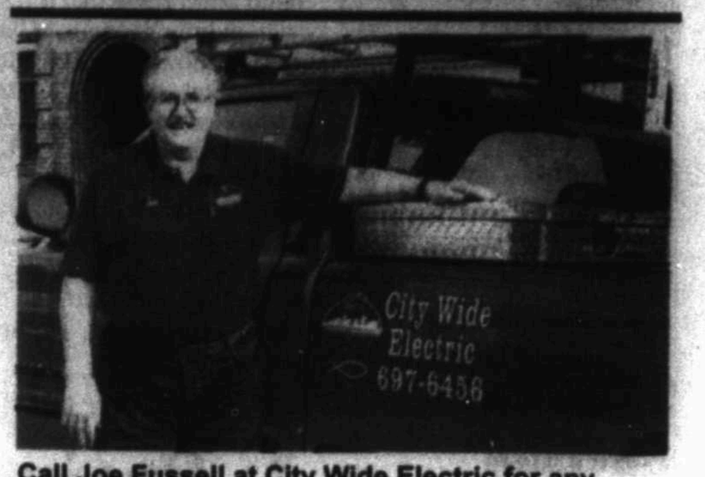

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Protect your hearing while enjoying those summer activities

As summer approaches, Miracle-Ear urges children and adults to protect their hearing, reminding them that noise induced hearing loss cannot be reversed.

Summer brings a chorus of sweet sounds. But it also brings noise that can be harmful to your ears. Prolonged exposure to the roar of lawn mowers, power tools, motorized recreational vehicles, target shooting, concerts, loud sporting events and fireworks can harm your hearing. In fact, the single bang of a firecracker at close range can permanently damage hearing in an instant, making it forever more difficult to hear the subtler sounds of summer.

While many noisy recreational activities are part of summer's fun, it is extremely important to take precautions to ensure that these activities do not damage your hearing.

"Noise is one of the most common causes of hearing loss," says Kay Scroggins, Midland's Miracle-Ear representative. "But by taking some simple precautions, you can protect your hearing and still enjoy summer activities."

The Better Hearing Institute (BHI) recommends the following:

*Use earplugs
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*Keep the volume down and limit the usage of earbuds or headphones
*Limit time spent in noisy environments
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"We often take our hearing for granted," says Scroggins. "But hearing loss affects our quality of life, and we should do all we can to protect our hearing. In addition, an annual hearing test is recommended so that if a loss is detected, it can be addressed."

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Southwest Floors lists 5 reasons to replace old flooring now

Think about it now, how long have you been putting off replacing that worn carpet or that outdated tile? How many times have you promised yourself you would get that done in a few days, only to find months had passed before you thought about it again?

With summer coming right up, this is the time to stop the procrastinating and get that new carpet, ceramic tile, laminate or real wood flooring, say Robert and Jane Burton, owners of Southwest Floors. Here are the top five reasons to do it now.

First, your schedule is more flexible this time of year. Sure, you still have shopping and some events, but the daily routine is looser. That makes it easier to make time to stop by Southwest Floors and make your choices. It's also easier to schedule around the installers.

Second, summer's slower schedule will give you time to think of how you want your furniture arranged after the installation is done. It's all going to be moved anyway, why not take the opportunity to get a fresh, new look? Southwest Floor's installers will move your furniture for you so you don't have to do the lifting, but you can do a little rearranging now.

Third, summer is a popular time to sell a home. If you're moving this summer, installing stylish new flooring could help it sell faster and for more money.

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Holder offers graduates misguided advice

■ Instead of talking about responsibility, the attorney generals offers graduates of historically black college an excuse — subtle racism

RUBEN NAVARRETTE

Washington Post Writers Group

It's graduation time, and public officials are delivering commencement addresses at colleges and universities. That is, if they pass the litmus test. Students and faculty extol the virtues of tolerance and diversity, but often they don't tolerate diverse points of view.

Attorney General Eric Holder recently shared his views with graduates of Morgan State University, a historically black college in Baltimore. Marking the 60th anniversary of the Brown v. Board of Education case, Holder gave a generally upbeat speech that talked about the contributions of earlier generations of African-Americans while lamenting the lack of progress in other areas. Then he veered off course, telling his audience to beware of racial slights that are not always so apparent.

"These outbursts of bigotry, while deplorable, are not the true markers of the struggle that still must be waged, or the work that still needs to be done — because the greatest threats do not announce themselves in screaming headlines," Holder said. "They are more subtle. They cut deeper. And their terrible impact endures long after the headlines have faded and obvious, ignorant expressions of hatred have been marginalized."

Holder must see himself as the nation's racial conscience. He needs to tread more lightly on this subject.

In 2009, the attorney general called the United States a "nation of cowards" who were afraid to talk about race. Of course, we talk about race all the time — in matters big and small, and often without any discernible benefit.

Just a few weeks ago, speaking to a predominantly black audience at Al Sharpton's National Action Network, Holder referred to his treatment by House committees charged with oversight of the Justice Department. The nation's first African-American attorney general implied that Republicans are disrespectful toward him because of his skin color. In coded language, Holder condemned what he sees as "unprecedented, unwarranted, ugly and divisive" attacks. He asked: "What attorney general has ever had to deal with that kind of treatment? What president has ever had to deal with that kind of treatment?"

What a silly statement. Has Holder ever heard of Alberto Gonzales and George W. Bush? "Disrespectful" is a good word to describe how those men were treated by Washington's liberal triad — Democrats, the media, and left-leaning advocacy organizations.

Holder later denied that his remarks had any racial subtext. This took nerve. The attorney general plays the race card, then denies he was even in the game.

Now, in his remarks at Morgan State, Holder gave the young people in the audience an easy out, an excuse for whatever they might not accomplish in life: subtle racism.

In life, most of us will experience failures, setbacks and disappointments. We'll be denied admission to college, struggle to find a job, get laid off, lose homes, fail at business, etc.

The Morgan State graduates are fortunate. Now they have a way to rationalize the bad things that will happen to them. It'll be the fault of "subtle" racism.

That's not the most helpful message to impart to young people — especially on graduation day. Here's what Holder should have told the students:

I want you to succeed. That means I want you to work hard, dream big, challenge yourself, go outside your comfort zone, and sacrifice when necessary to be the absolute best at whatever you choose to do. Follow your passion, and put in the time and effort needed to become excellent at your craft. The rest will take care of itself. When you fail — and, by the way, I hope you learn from each failure because that's how we grow — don't make excuses, or play the victim, or look for villains to blame. Let's not be naive. There will be sinister forces out there. Not everyone will cheer you on, and some folks may even try to drag you down. And guess what? Some of those people will look just like you. When that happens, don't surrender to what you think are all-powerful forces. Instead, make yourself even more powerful by working even harder and taking control of your destiny. The biggest obstacles in life are self-imposed. So don't impose any. Good luck.

Holder had a valuable opportunity to offer guidance to the next generation. Had he given more thought to his remarks and emphasized personal responsibility, this public servant would have done a public service. Instead, he made another public spectacle.

GUEST VIEW

New governor should frequently visit schools across state

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A failure within a public school classroom does not present a public spectacle with the same shocking impact of an oil well blowout such as BP's Macondo. Yet the consequences can have an even more disastrous, long-term impact. If we do not educate the demographic majority of our state — the Latino and African-American kids — in 20 years, the next generation of Texans will struggle to compete in a global economy. And our state's economy, so robust now, will take a different turn, and we'll all pay the price.

If the comparisons seem incongruous, the solutions to preventing future disasters — in the oil industry as well as in public education — are not: Those at the top need to support a culture of excellence with deeds, not just words.

After the Macondo well spill in 2010, Congress created the Center for Offshore Safety. That agency — the "COS" — identified a best practice to improve the safety performance of America's offshore oil and natural gas industry: site visits where senior and mid-level executives go to a job site and talk about the importance of safety. Parents know that children discern their priorities based on their behavior rather than their words. So it should come as no surprise that employees learn what is truly important to an organization by watching the actions, not just listening to the words, of senior management.

Let's apply the COS site-visit standard to our public schools. A principal job of state government, in which the governor is CEO, is to operate an effective system of public education. That should include visiting our public schools often to stress the importance of the work educators do.

Gov. Rick Perry recently returned from a trip to the South Pacific to search for soldiers missing in action from World War II and from another trip to New York, where he talked to business leaders about our economy. According to COS, a drilling company headed by a CEO who has not visited the rig floor is unlikely to have a strong culture of safety. So, too, a state headed by a governor who does not spend significant time in the public schools is unlikely to have a strong culture of education.

But Texas isn't completely without a strong leader on education. H-E-B Grocery Co. Chairman Charles Butt has created an example of what it means to nurture a culture of high performance in public schools. Every year, H-E-B presents the Excellence in Education awards, a highly competitive contest and the state's largest monetary rewards program for educators. Butt personally was on hand this month when more than $430,000 in awards were given to schools and educators across Texas. The awards dinner is a way to show educators that an important state business leader places a high value on education.

We will get a new governor in November. That person needs to understand that it is not enough to give speeches about the importance of schools and accountability. Our new governor should act by making frequent and meaningful visits — not photo ops. Educators (and all of us) will be watching.

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Honor the grads, not the speakers

■ It's time to put an end to the commencement-speech racket

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Enough commencement-speech madness. Enough controversy over who is allowed to speak. Enough with speakers who are simply promoting themselves.

Imagine what it must be like for those who clawed their way into college using grants or scholarships, side jobs and loans, only to have graduation day ruined by a petty political tiff between their campus' self-styled champions of enlightened judgment and an unsuspecting speaker who thought he or she had a shot at making a few bucks by being pithy for 15 minutes.

For a moment, walk in the shoes of those graduates for whom this moment in the sun — in some cases the culmination of an entire family's hopes and dreams that one of their own would be the first to complete this all-important thing called college — was turned into a media circus because the speaker offended the sensibilities of a few of their peers. What was meant to be a celebration — a time to check off one of the items on a list of American dreams — instead becomes overshadowed by controversy.

Envision streams of parents, aunts, uncles, grandparents, godparents traveling sometimes for hours to see their baby walk across the stage, only to find themselves listening to a screed about the lofty ideals of diversity in academic discourse that didn't feel worthy of the investment in their family's collective crowning moment.

The commencement ceremony is not the venue for such academic debates.

Oh, how I would have hated it if a stand-in speaker, in this case William G. Bowen, a former president of Princeton University, had wagged his finger at my class, scolding some of us for being "arrogant" and "immature," when I was focused only on my family's Kodak moment.

This happened recently at Pennsylvania's Haverford College, where Bowen had been tapped to deliver the address after students objected to the original choice of Robert J. Birgeneau, chancellor of the University of California, Berkeley. Birgeneau had been at the helm when campus police cracked down on demonstrators in 2011.

The Wall Street Journal's report of the incident at Haverford quoted Bowen: "If you expect to agree with commencement speakers on everything, then who will you get to speak? Someone totally boring."

Let's hear it for the "boring" speakers, those going before crowds of earnest graduates and their parents to attempt to impart a few short words of encouragement. Not for five-figure speaking fees, not for an honorary degree, or the opportunity to bloviate about his or her latest book, TV show, or heart-wrenching but ultimately self-promoting visit to a Third-World country, but to honor the importance of the achievement.

The only thing less depressing than the thought of every fancy-pants-school graduate feeling entitled to a star-studded commencement speaker they can name-drop for the rest of their lives (and even I'm not that jaundiced) is the thought of avaricious university marketing officers cynically fanning the flames of commencement-speaker intrigue to get their school's name in the news.

More likely, the overabundance of Big Important Commencement Speeches stems from our celebration culture in which every milestone is elevated to the rank of miraculous feat.

We live in a world where children are feted with luxurious parties, bouquets of flowers and balloons, Christmas-like presents, glamorous photo shoots and limo rides at graduations from, in order, preschool, kindergarten, elementary school, middle school and high school. Is it any wonder that colleges feel the need to pull out the star power — tech tycoons, movie stars, past heads of states and late-night comedians — to make the event "memorable"?

It's a cottage industry now, the commencement-speech racket. No longer simply click-bait for websites and YouTube, there are whole tomes being published about commencement-for-future-success.

Internet sensation David McCullough Jr. goes on for 352 pages against our "new cult of exceptionalism" in his commencement speech-inspired book "You Are Not Special ... and Other Encouragements."

I adore this premise. However, our nation's university graduates *are* special. In 2012, The New York Times reported that, at the time, the cost of college had nearly sextupled since 1985. And a Harvard study in 2011 found that only 56 percent of students who entered America's colleges and universities graduated within six years.

Let's honor them — and even more so their families — by ignoring the tiresome trend of commencement-speech controversy in the hope that it will go away.

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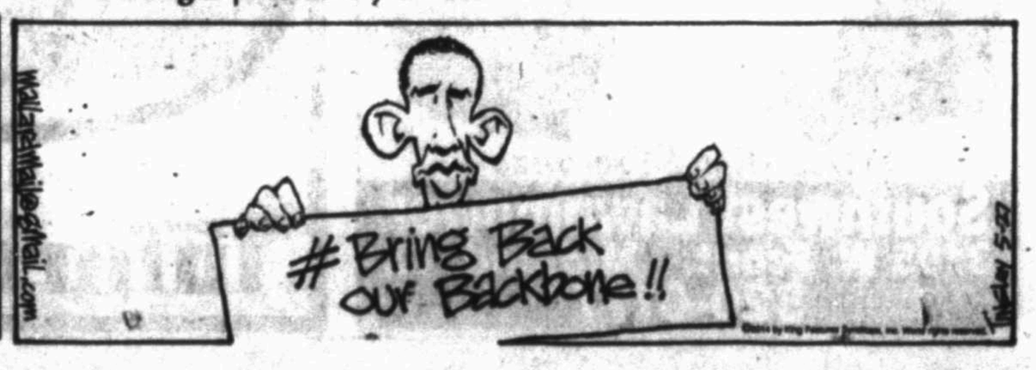

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Kids, parents are embracing the walking school bus

PROVIDENCE — As a group of children walked home together from school in Providence, they held hands and played the "I Spy" guessing game. When they reached a busy intersection, an adult accompanying them prodded, "What's the rule?"

"Behind the line!" they said in unison, as they stepped back from the edge of the curb and waited for the walk signal.

Shortly after, the group stopped in front of 8-year-old Jaiden Guzman's house. He said goodbye to his friends and raced to his front door. His mother waved and the rest of the walking school bus continued on its way.

For a growing number of children in Rhode Island, Iowa and other states, the school day starts and ends in the same way — they walk with their classmates and an adult volunteer to and from school. Walking school buses are catching on in school districts nationwide because they are seen as a way to fight childhood obesity, improve attendance rates and ensure that kids get to school safely.

Ten-year-old Rosanyily Laurenz signed up for the Providence walking school bus this school year. Before, she said, she was sometimes late to school when her grandmother didn't feel well enough to walk with her.

But now, "I get to walk with my friends," Rosanyily said. "Plus, I get snacks."

Many programs across the country are funded by the federal Safe Routes to School program, which pays for infrastructure improvements and initiatives to enable children to walk and bike to school.

Robert Johnson, of the Missouri-based PedNet Coalition, a nonprofit that advocates for transit alternatives, said the success of the programs reflects a growing interest in getting kids more active.

"Every parent is looking for ways to make their child a little healthier, and walking to school is one," he said.

In 2012, about 30 percent of students living within a mile of school walked there in the morning and 35 percent walked home in the afternoon, according to the National Center for Safe Routes to School.

String of legal wins bolsters same-sex marriage

By Mark Sherman and Nicholas Riccardi
Associated Press

AP file photo

Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Corbett speaks during a news conference in 2013 in Harrisburg, Pa. Corbett publicly opposes the legalization of same-sex marriage. One after another and in sometimes evocative language, judges appointed by Republican and Democratic presidents are declaring it's too late to turn back on the topic of same-sex marriage. The latest ruling, in Pennsylvania, was followed quickly by word from the Republican governor that he would not appeal and instead let the decision take effect.

WASHINGTON — One after another and in sometimes evocative language, judges appointed by Republican and Democratic presidents are declaring it's too late to turn back on the topic of same-sex marriage.

The unbroken string of state and federal court rulings in support of gay and lesbian unions takes in every region of the country, including states of the Confederacy, and brings to 26 states where same-sex couples can get married or a judge has ruled they ought to be allowed.

It also may have pushed gay marriage to a legal tipping point, where the cause has won such wide-ranging approval that it will be hard for the Supreme Court to rule against it. The court rulings and the measured response of even elected officials who oppose same-sex marriage may be especially important for justices who have worried about acting too quickly to impose same-sex marriage nationwide.

The latest ruling, in Pennsylvania, was followed quickly by word from Republican Gov. Tom Corbett that he would not appeal and instead let the decision take effect. Corbett, who opposes gay and lesbian marriage, is facing a tough campaign for re-election this year.

"We are a better people than what these laws represent, and it is time to discard them into the ash heap of history," U.S. District Judge John E. Jones III wrote last week about the Pennsylvania marriage law.

Gay marriage opponents say they expect more of a mixed record in the courts by the time the Supreme Court gets involved, and they take issue with the notion that U.S. public opinion has shifted as dramatically as many polls show.

All the rulings came after the Supreme Court decision last June that struck down part of a federal anti-gay marriage law but did not apply to bans that were then in place in roughly three dozen states. Judges, though, have had no trouble extending the high court's ruling in U.S. v. Windsor to prohibit states from discriminating against same-sex couples who want to wed.

"Judges can read the tea leaves," UCLA law professor Adam Winkler said. "They know where the Supreme Court is going. They know where society is going. Do they want their grandkids knowing they wrote an opinion stopping gay marriage?"

In some respects, the series of rulings is just the latest manifestation of the extraordinary change in attitudes about same-sex marriage.

In 1972, it took the Supreme Court one sentence to dispose of an appeal asserting a same-sex couple's constitutional right to marry. In 2003, the Massachusetts Supreme Court declared the state's marriage ban unconstitutional. When President Barack Obama decided that his administration no longer would enforce the federal Defense of Marriage Act in 2011, there were five states that allowed same-sex couples to wed. By late June, the number had jumped to 13, after the high court paved the way for gay and lesbian couples in California to get married.

No appeals court has yet weighed in, although that could change any day, and it is not clear when the high court will jump back into the same-sex marriage debate. Appeals could start arriving at the court by late summer or early fall.

Gay rights advocates argue that the mushrooming list of rulings has created such an air of inevitability that, were the Supreme Court to reverse them, "a majority of the country would find that shocking," said Mary Bonauto, the director of the Civil Rights Project at Gay and Lesbian Advocates and Defenders.

On the other side of the issue, Brian Brown, president of the National Organization for Marriage, said, "You have almost every avenue of elite power saying it's inevitable, might as well give up the fight. Why would you not expect some shift? What I'm surprised by is, given the massive amount of capital and power that's been exerted on this issue, a majority of Americans still support traditional marriage."

Brown pointed to a recent Politico poll of likely voters in hotly contested congressional and Senate races, which are taking place mainly in more conservative states. That survey found 52 percent of respondents opposed to same-sex marriage. The latest Gallup poll says 55 percent of Americans support it.

Ryan Anderson, a Heritage Foundation fellow and co-author of a book defending the definition of marriage as between a man and a woman, said Supreme Court justices ultimately will have to wrestle with whether they want to impose same-sex marriage throughout the country. "Why rush in to put in a 50-state solution, when we can let the laboratories of democracy, the states, work things out?" Anderson said.

But those same arguments have been made in courtrooms across the country, with no success since the Windsor decision.

The run of courtroom victories for same-sex marriage has somewhat obscured other gay rights battles, including efforts to bar employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity.

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Experts: Mass murderers are hard to predict

By Christopher Weber and Alicia Chang
Associated Press

GOLETA, Calif. — Colorado movie theater shooter James Holmes. Sandy Hook school attacker Adam Lanza. And now Elliot Rodger.

All were young loners with no criminal history who went on shooting sprees, leaving devastated families in their wake.

Mass murderers tend to have a history of pent-up frustration and failures, are socially isolated and vengeful, blaming others for their unhappiness, experts say.

"They all display deluded thinking and a lot of rage about feeling so marginalized," James Garbarino, a professor of psychology at Loyola University Chicago, said in an email.

Since mass killings are extremely rare, scholars say there's no way to predict who has deadly intentions, let alone who will reach a breaking point and take action.

Past violence is a clue, but in Rodger's case, police did not see him as a threat to himself or others during a welfare check weeks before Friday night's rampage near the University of California, Santa Barbara that left six victims dead and 13 injured.

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Jose Cardoso pays his respects at a makeshift memorial in front of the IV Deli Mart, where part of Friday night's mass shooting took place by a drive-by shooter Sunday in the Isla Vista area near Goleta, Calif.

Rodger died of an apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head after a shootout with deputies, ending a night of terror in this tight-knit seaside campus community as the semester drew to a close.

Pinpointing a mass killer "is not an exact science. We don't have a foolproof way of predicting" who will turn violent, said Risdon Slate, a professor of criminology at Florida Southern College.

Before Rodger stabbed three male UCSB students in his apartment and cruised around in his black BMW firing at sorority girls and strangers, he left a trail of YouTube videos and a 140-page manifesto ranting against women and couples and lamenting his lack of a sex life.

In his postings, Rodger, a 22-year-old community college student and son of a Hollywood director, said he was a lonely and frustrated virgin.

"I'm sexually attracted to girls. But girls are not sexually attracted to me. And there's a major problem with that — a major problem. That's a problem that I intend to rectify. I in all my magnificence and power, I will not let this fly. It's an injustice that needs to be dealt with," Rodger said in one of the videos.

Recent mass shootings involved young men described as loners who had trouble fitting in.

In July 2012, 24-year-old Holmes opened fire at a midnight screening of a Batman film, killing a dozen movie-goers. Five months later, 20-year-old Lanza shot 20 first-graders and six educators at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Connecticut.

Experts who study mass murderers say most lonely and angry people don't commit violence, which makes it difficult to know who will snap.

"We can point to all the warning signs we missed. But they're yellow flags. They're not red flags until blood is spilled," said James Alan Fox, a criminal justice professor at Northeastern University who has written several books on mass murders.

Before the killings, Rodger's mother and counselor became alarmed about bizarre videos he posted and alerted authorities in April. But Rodger was able to convince deputies that he was not a risk to himself or others — conditions that would have allowed them to take him into custody under California law.

Family friend Simon Astaire said Rodger was "very much a boy of solitude" who spoke few words.

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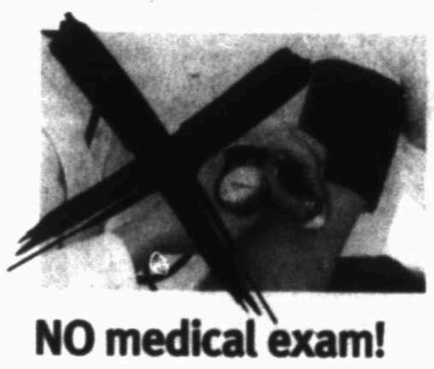

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CULINARY GOODNESS

Chef opens meal delivery, catering biz

■ Former personal chef to Houston Texans also plans to host tasting dinners

By Megan Lea Buck
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Chip Hight spent the last nine years deeply involved in Houston's culinary scene working as a young executive chef at the Alden Hotel, teaching cooking classes, acting as a personal chef to a few of the Houston Texans, serving as a whiskey associate at The Balvenie and even launching his own cigar company. So maybe he took it as a challenge when his Midland-based sister and brother-in-law talked about a lacking food scene in the Permian Basin.

Hight recently moved to the Tall City to offer his services as a personal chef, provide a meal delivery service and organize tasting dinners for Midlanders.

Family and friends in the area helped him set up five consecutive nights of tasting dinners during a January visit to Midland. In less than a week, he had secured enough clients to justify his move across the state.

"Most of my business is meal delivery," said Hight, 29.

He designs menus around his clients' preferences and needs and delivers them in cool-packs. Meal plans are purchased by the month and priced according to the number of people served and number of meals delivered per week. Meals include appetizers and entrees. Dinner for one person, twice a week costs $300 a month and dinner for four, three times a week runs $1,100 per month. Possible menu items include health-conscious options such as roasted salmon with asparagus and lean pork loin with seared Napa cabbage. Hight's list of potential menu items for casual meals includes caramelized rib eye with potato puree served with asparagus with truffle butter, braised pork belly with roasted corn elotes style or shrimp curry with basmati rice and saag paneer.

Next month he'll begin offering pop-up tasting dinners for crowds of 20 to 25. Dinners will include a multiple-course

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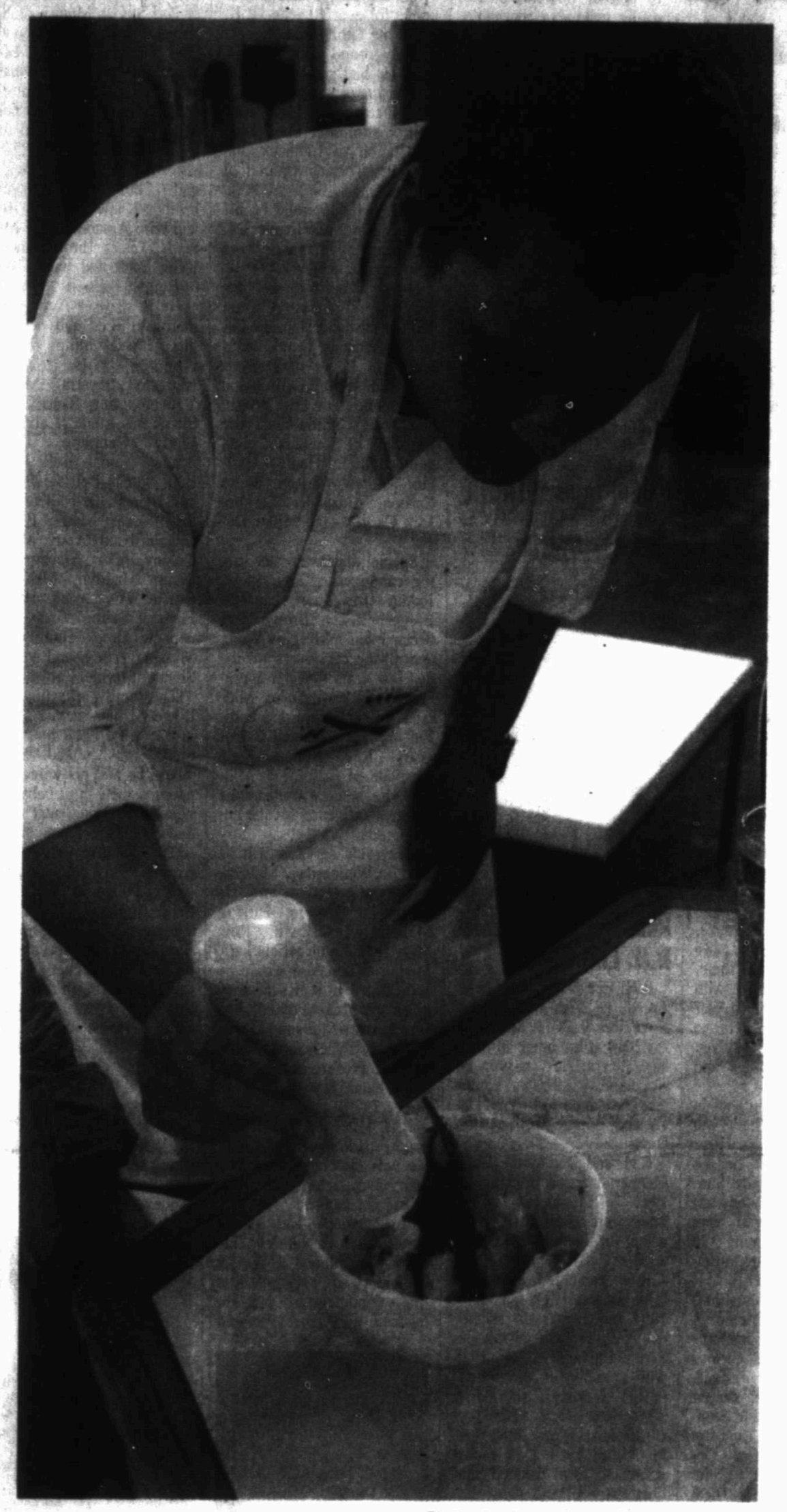

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Chip Hight recently demonstrates a few of his cooking techniques. The Houston chef, who was a personal chef to several players on the Houston Texans football team, recently moved to Midland to launch his own meal delivery and catering business.

KNIFE & FORK

This week's columnist is Mary Dearen.
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Electric steamer is perfect way to cook veggies

June is National Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Month, according to the websites www.thenibble.com and www.gone-ta-pot.com.

But I don't need a "food holiday" to enjoy fresh produce. I used to be a "meat and potatoes" woman (growing up, steak was second only to pasta on the family menu). But now I prefer a meal of just vegetables — in a salad or steamed and often tossed with pasta, olive oil and Parmesan cheese.

Many years ago, my husband bought a steamer for his dad and stepmom. He raved about the steamed cabbage, carrots and potatoes his stepmom had made and insisted that the carrots and potatoes didn't take on the strong flavor of the cabbage. I was skeptical until we bought the same steamer and I prepared the same vegetable combination. The carrots and potatoes tasted like — well, carrots and potatoes, not cabbage. I was hooked.

I steam chunks of fresh green cabbage, half a 16-ounce bag of baby-cut carrots and four or five red potatoes (cut into pieces) for 25 minutes. And the great thing about it, these steamed veggies taste great with no more seasoning than a dash of salt and pepper.

Another vegetable I love steamed is fresh broccoli. I buy a crown, cut it into bite-sized pieces and steam the pieces for 15 minutes. The broccoli is crunchy and retains its bright green color. While it's still hot I toss the pieces with salt, olive oil and lemon pepper. This is one of those vegetables I toss with cooked pasta and Parmesan. Yummy.

The steamed broccoli also is a perfect topping for baked potatoes. I cut open a baked spud, run a knife through the insides and sprinkle salt and pepper. I then top the halves with pieces of steamed broccoli and shredded cheese. I use American or cheddar, depending on what I have on hand. I microwave the spud for a few seconds to melt the cheese. And ta-da — it's a meal.

My son loves fresh corn on the cob, and the steamer is a perfect way to cook it. I steam corn for 20-25 minutes. Most ears are too long to fit in the steamer basket, so I break them in half before cooking them. Wesley and my husband eat their corn without salt or butter. I sprinkle on a dash of salt.

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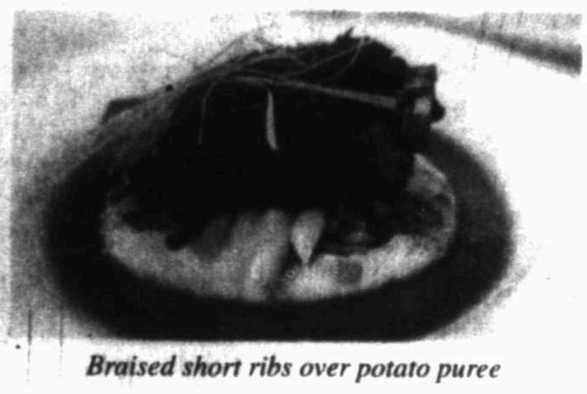

Braised short ribs over potato puree

Eton Mess

Bluth's banana

On the menu: Tasting dinner displays young chef's talent

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When Houston chef Chip Hight invited a few Reporter-Telegram staffers to sample a tasting dinner, we jumped at the opportunity. Walking into the empty dining room at Cafe Unique, entertainment reporter Rich Lopez, online editor James Cannon and myself were unsure exactly what to expect from Hight Foods. What we found is a young chef who is new in town and likely about to shake up Midland's dining scene with enormous talent. Hight presented us with five courses of artfully prepared dishes made with fresh, simple ingredients.

Hight prepared pork potstickers and gyoza sauce — a dish he said was one of his most popular at weddings and parties — for the first appetizer course. Served on cedar planks, the potstickers were adorned with red chili threads and the sauce was served family-style.

Tender wonton wrappers slightly seared on the bottom held more than a bite of lightly seasoned ground pork that was nicely complemented by the salty, tangy sauce.

Hight turned a simple appetizer into an impressive display equally matched by taste.

The second dish to come out of the kitchen was shrimp and grits with red hot sauce and green beans. The shrimp was fresh, simply seasoned with white pepper and salt, lightly roasted and nestled beside crisp, slightly charred green beans. Velvety grits provided a rich base for the dish and the creamy hot sauce tied it all together.

Cannon called it a "perfect blend between the hot sauce, buttery grits and fresh shrimp." Lopez noted this was the first time he had finished an entire serving of green beans. The hot sauce was the star of the dish.

"High marks for the sauce because it gives it a lot of kick without burning you up," Lopez said.

Braised short ribs stood as a monument over a potato puree, mushroom duxelle with white asparagus and fried leeks for the entree course. After comments about the fall-apart tender meat and picture-perfect presentation, the table fell silent as we all savored the food.

The dish was rich and satisfying without being overdone or over seasoned. The potato puree was creamy but substantial enough to stand up to the meat and the asparagus added balance with welcome crunch.

Hight kicked off dessert with deconstructed Bluth's banana, a simpler version of Bananas Foster with a creamy caramel sauce atop a scoop of vanilla ice cream and a banana scallop topped with a caramelized sugar on a bed of graham cracker crumbs. The dessert was simple with buttery caramel sauce dressing up the vanilla ice cream, and the sugar created a nice textural contrast against the banana and ice cream.

For his final dish, Hight sent out small bowls of the traditional English dessert Eton Mess, with fresh strawberries, blueberries, sweet cream and pieces of crisp meringue. The dessert was a fresh and light serving as the perfect ending to an impressive meal.

Hight Foods offers meal delivery, catering and tasting dinners. The chef hopes to offer dishes such as his pork potstickers and shrimp and grits from his food truck at the Midland Downtown Farmers Market soon. When he does, count on the three of us being the first in line.

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set menu and cost will range from $100 to $250 per person, depending on the menu.

He hopes to reach a different clientele with the tasting dinners than his meal delivery.

"I'm looking for completely new people," he said. "I'd like to reach a whole new demographic."

The first tasting dinner is planned for June 19 with another scheduled July 10. Both dinners will be served at Cafe Unique, a Venezuelan lunch spot where Hight cooks during the evenings and off hours.

Hight also offers catering services and recently purchased a mobile kitchen to use when catering at venues with limited kitchen access.

"It's always sort of a pain to take your own oven and makeshift kitchen," he said. "I bought this food truck for smaller catering jobs."

His newly purchased 1967 Chevy Stepvan has no power steering and is currently in the shop after sparks flew while he was driving.

Once the truck is fixed, he'd like to use it — or another food truck — to sell food such as pork potstickers and shrimp and grits at the Midland Downtown Farmers Market.

Though he's looked into the possibility of opening a brick-and-mortar restaurant, rent prices and the labor shortage in Midland are keeping him focused on his other business plans for now.

"It's super difficult to find a space here or staff one," he said. "In order to accommodate a lease like that you have to be able to accommodate a certain amount of business."

Though he noted he's been lucky to find good part-time help, Hight's been surprised by the vast differences in Midland's and Houston's food service industries.

"I'm learning as I go because everything is different than Houston, mainly labor," he said. "Labor is so expensive here and so transient."

Despite the high cost of living, long waits and labor shortage, Hight has discovered some of Midland's gems in his three months here. Hight loves to go out to eat and though he's had memorable meals at finer dining establishments like Garlic Press and Racquet Club, he also spoke fondly of Lori's Cafe, Luigi's and Rosa's.

He should fit in just fine in Midland.

For more information on Hight Foods, visit hightfoods.com or follow Hight Foods on Facebook. Contact Chip Hight at 848-3079.

Crane facility makes list of top hospitals

From staff reports

The National Rural Health Association recently announced the Top 20 Best Practice Critical Access Hospitals in the country. Crane Memorial Hospital in Crane was included on the list of critical access hospitals that scored well on Vantage Health Analytics' Hospital Strength Index for Financial Stability.

"Crane Memorial Hospital is proud of the efforts of its physicians and staff who have contributed to our hospital acheiving this designation," said hospital CEO Dianne Yeager in a press release. "Our results as a top hospital for financial stability means our community can count on us to deliver the services they need now and in the future."

This is the third consecutive year the hospital has received the award.

Obituaries

Helen Elaine Warren Baker

Helen Elaine Warren Baker, 89, passed away peacefully at her home in Midland, Texas, on May 25, 2014. Elaine was born July 17, 1925, in Houston, Texas, and grew up in College Station, where she was chosen Class Favorite her junior year at Texas A&M Consolidated High School. She graduated from Stephen F. Austin High School in Houston, where she played the bugle in the prestigious Scottish Brigade.

Elaine was born into a remarkable family. Her mother, Inez German Warren, (our "Nana"), was orphaned at an early age, lost her husband during the Great Depression when Elaine turned 13, and took on the roles of father, mother, and breadwinner.

Inez reared Elaine and her two brothers without help, and even sent her two sons to college. Elaine's brothers, David Russell "Jack" Warren, and Alton Lionel "Jerry" Warren, subsequently built brilliant careers-- Jack as an engineer/inventor for Welex/Halliburton before he passed away, and Jerry, who is a geophysicist in Houston. Elaine made excellent grades in school, but always was in trouble for talking in class.

In January 1944, Elaine boarded a train to St. Louis, Missouri to wed Lillo Munger Baker. From there, Lillo was sent to Europe with the U.S. Army in World War II, and Elaine returned home to Houston. Lillo survived the Battle of the Bulge and returned to Texas.

They moved to Midland in 1947, and joined the First Presbyterian Church, where she taught President George W. Bush in third-grade Sunday school. In 1968, they left Midland, and moved four times before returning 26 years later, renewing treasured, old friendships.

Elaine served as a volunteer for Midland Memorial Hospital, Midland Community Theatre, and for various organizations in Temple, Texas. She was a charter member of the Midland Symphony Guild, on the Board of Directors for the Abilene Opera Association, and a member of Midland Opera Theatre. In Abilene, she delighted in helping with costume changes and repairs backstage at the Paramount Theatre in Abilene.

Laughing was Elaine's favorite pastime. She was a wonderful, fun-loving mother who kept the family busy with songs, stories, games, contests and wacky experiments. She held turtle races in the sixties, in which snapping turtles Robert Richard, Dumb Ole' Guthrie and others competed for prizes. Once, she greeted formal dinner guests wearing a hillbilly hat and messy wig, and often danced with her chartreuse chicken puppet at parties.

She would laugh and play with her children, and could outsmart them, too. On occasion, her son Greg tried to sneak out of the house, so she nailed the windows shut. Greg said he knew she had done it because of the crooked nails.

Elaine's innocent one-liners were clever, including, "I can't sleep in the car unless I'm driving." On losing loved ones, she said, "I just wish we could all die at once." Recently, she talked about beautiful "G" Street Park, near their home on Storey St., "And it had good tadpoles, too!" After an appendectomy a few years ago, she claimed, "I had everything I was born with till they took out my appendix. I was kind of sorry to lose that. I wanted to be complete."

She worked hard at keeping a beautiful lawn and garden, and sewed curtains and clothes like a professional. She was happiest in the company of her family--Greg, Beth and Charlie, daughter Beverly, who preceded her in death, and the dear friends and hallmates of Manor Park, aka "Mana Parka Epsilon."

She is survived by her son, Greg Baker of Santa Fe, New Mexico; and daughter, Beth Qualia and husband Charlie of Midland, Texas.

The family wishes to thank Brenda Dunn, Maria Adame, Mary Pena and Hospice of Midland for their excellent care.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a charitable donation to Big Brothers / Big Sisters of Midland, 714 W. Louisiana Ave., Midland, Texas 79701, New Direction Ministry, (founded by True-Lite Christian Fellowship), P.O. Box 1541, Midland, Texas 79702, or to The Aphasia Center, 5214 Thomason, Midland, Texas 79703.

Private services will be held at First Presbyterian Church. In memory of Elaine's independent spirit and joyful life, family and friends will gather for a memorial dinner at Midland Country Club in the coming days.

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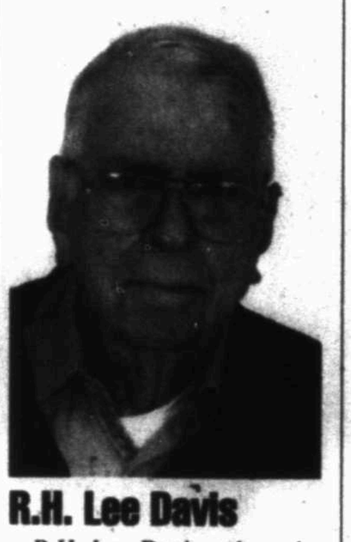

R.H. Lee Davis

R.H. Lee Davis, who celebrated his 97th birthday on November 9, 2013, died May 21, 2014 at his home in Midland, Texas. He was born on November 9, 1916 in Tecumseh, Oklahoma to Roy H. Davis and Bonnie Ruth Alston Davis.

R.H. and Dodie Roe Berta Lambert married on May 17, 1942 in Monahans, Texas. They were married 71 years when she died in December 2013.

R.H. graduated from Oxford, Kansas High School in 1934 and then from Oklahoma A & M (now Oklahoma State University) in 1938 with a major in accounting.

R.H. served in the Army Air Force Air Transport Command from June 30, 1942 until April 1, 1946. RH graduated from Officer Candidate School and Army Exchange School while serving his country during WWII. He was honorably discharged as Captain. He was stationed at Shepherd Field in Wichita Falls, Camp Luna in Las Vegas, New Mexico and Mather Field in Sacramento, California.

R.H. began his employment career with Stanolind Oil on June 2, 1941. He and his wife Roe Berta lived in Hobbs, NM., Grandfalls, Brownfield, Wink, Pampa, and North Cowden, Texas. He was transferred to Lubbock in 1953 and resided there until 1966 when he was transferred to the Midland office and the oil company became Pan American Oil and Gas. He was transferred in 1970 to the office in Fort Worth. R.H. and Roe Berta moved back to Midland in 1971 with the company that became Amoco. His title was Administrative Supervisor.

R.H. moved many times during those years and he had lots of vacation. He did not have many hobbies and spent time at Manning's Nursery talking about yard and landscaping. Mr. Manning thought that R.H. was retired and wanted to know if he was interested in leasing the nursery. R.H. and Roe Berta discussed this and decided that this would be something that they would like to try. The nursery was leased in 1971 with Roe Berta doing the day to day operations and R.H. on weekends and vacation days.

R.H. retired from Amoco in March of 1977. The nursery later moved and became Davis Garden Center on Midkiff and Bluebird. The nursery closed in 1992.

This gave R.H. and Roe Berta the opportunity for travel. His favorite trip was to New Zealand. They traveled many places in the US and enjoyed the visits with family and friends. He liked to keep up with current events and his hobby became watching over his stock investments. He took great joy in seeing his great grandchildren.

R.H. had no intention of staying in West Texas but he loved the people and it was home for over 70 years. R.H. loved his family and was especially proud of his grandsons. He had great grief with the passing of his son, Roy.

R.H. served as Ruling Elder in Westminster Presbyterian Church of Lubbock and First Presbyterian Church of Midland.

R.H. is predeceased by his parents Roy and Bonnie Davis, son Roy J. Davis, and wife Roe Berta Davis.

He is survived by his daughter, Frances Carlton and her husband Don of Midland; grandsons, Derek Davis and wife Leigh of Denver, Colorado, Jeffrey Carlton and wife Jennifer of Fort Worth, and Todd Carlton and wife Elizabeth of Southlake; great grandchildren, Hadley Carlton, Andrew Carlton, Reese Carlton, Alexander Carlton, Jack Carlton, and Miller Davis.

Special thanks to his loving caregivers, Karen Riley, JoAnn Devenport, Juanita Borens, Hellen Brown, Rebecca Johnson, Regina Ware, and all the caregivers for the last few years. Special appreciation to Hospice of Midland for their care and comfort the last one and a half years. Rev. Robert Kirk, Chaplain of Hospice of Midland, has been a tremendous spiritual influence for the entire family.

Graveside services will be held on Wednesday, May 28, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. at Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland, Texas with Rev. Mary Beth Anton officiating. Memorial donation would be appreciated in R.H's memory to Hospice of Midland, 911 W. Texas, Midland, Texas 79701, or the Deacon's Fund of First Presbyterian Church of Midland, 800 West Texas Street, 79701.

R.H. loved his family, his country, and his friends. People will remember him as a man of character, honor, and a "straight shooter."

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

Richard E. (Rick) Mundy

Richard E. (Rick) Mundy, 56, of Midland, Texas went home to be with our Lord and Savior on May 19, 2014. Rick was born on November 28, 1957 in Providence, Rhode Island to Furman (Bob) and Margaret Mundy.

As a part of a military family, Rick lived in various cities and states before moving to Midland in 1972. He attended and graduated from Midland High School in 1976. He worked for Sundown Market in Midland for almost 20 years. He was also employed for several memorable years with Bob Evans in Houston. Rick was currently employed with Derrick Equipment in Odessa, TX.

Rick loved being out on the open road riding his Harley and seeing the sights. His wife, Kathy, was his best friend and the love of his life for 24 years. She was always right there beside him on the motorcycle or relaxing together on the water.

Rick was a great husband and an amazing father. He always said that his two biggest accomplishments were his children. He was sincerely adored by his two granddaughters, and was known as the funny and crazy Pa. His sisters thought he was the best brother ever, and he truly impacted the lives of everyone he met.

Rick was preceded in death by his parents, Bob and Margaret Mundy; brother, Rob Mundy; and nephew Justin Hamilton.

Rick is survived by his loving wife, Mary Kathryn (Kathy) Mundy; his daughter Kristy Lee Mundy of Aurora, Colorado; and his son Harrison, "H-Man", Mundy, daughter-in-law Christy Mundy; and by his two beautiful granddaughters, Summer and Skylar Mundy of San Angelo, Texas; his three sisters, Suzanne Mundy, Lori Hamilton-Smith and husband Frank (Bud) Smith, Patricia Mundy-Nguyen and husband Minh Nguyen all of Midland; his mother-in-law Mary Bell; sister-in-law Mindy Braden and husband Dwayne; brother-in-law Kenneth Bell and wife Amanda all of Midland, Texas; brother-in-law Keith Foxx and wife Tiffani of Belton, Texas.

He is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews that loved him, Michael Hamilton, Mai Mundy-Nguyen, Seyarra Mundy-Nguyen, and fiancé Chris Shynn of Irvine, California, Emily Hamilton, Danne' Braden, Jordan Bell, Hailey Bell, Nathan Bell, Jacob Bell, and Hannah Bell all of Midland, Texas, Marne' Barclay and husband Andy of The Colony, Texas, Maizie Mahlstedt, Madilyn Mahlstedt, Gracie Foxx, and Hudson Foxx of Belton, Texas, great nephew Brock Hamilton of Midland, Texas and Michael Shynn of Irvine, California.

The family asks in lieu of flowers that memorials be given to the Lone Star Sanctuary in Midland, Texas where he and his wife Kathy adopted their third baby, Jax, who loved lying next to her daddy in his recliner.

The family will receive friends for visitation at Nellay-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland on Tuesday, May 27 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Services will be held on Wednesday, May 28 at 1:00 p.m. in the Chapel at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home with a graveside service at Resthaven Memorial Cemetery to follow.

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Louis John Bevacqua

Our beloved Daddy and Grandpa, Louis John Bevacqua, 91, passed away peacefully, surrounded by his children, on May 23, 2014. Our love and admiration of him is everlasting.

He was born July 12, 1922 in Dallas, Texas to Attilio and Lucrezia Perri Bevacqua, immigrants from Calabria, Italy. The youngest of five children, he grew up in Dallas. He attended Texas A&M University, Class of 1944, College Station, Texas from 1940-1943 majoring in Chemical Engineering. His studies were cut short in his senior year, as were most of his classmates, when he was called to service in World War II. His love for A&M, his many experiences and lifelong friendships made there were some of his most precious possessions.

He served in the U.S. Army as Platoon Leader in the 815th Amphibious Truck Co. tasked with ferrying equipment & supplies from ship to shore on D-Day, June 4, 1944. He drove the lead DUKW labeled "The Texas Aggie" onto Utah Beach that morning landing at 10:30 a.m. under German fire. As part of the 1st Engineers Special Brigade, he and his men helped transfer the battle beach into a maintenance area and assisted in moving the wounded from the field to ships. He continued to serve in Marseilles, France until he was sent home in 1946. He achieved the rank of Captain.

After the war, he returned to Dallas and to family and friends. His best and lifelong friend, Jack Hagan, introduced him to Gertrude Bjornson, best friend of Jacks's fiance in Chicago. Lou and Gertrude fell in love and married in 1949. Their incredible love continued for 64 years until her death in 2013.

Postwar, he attended SMU and received a BS in Geology in 1949. He worked as a Petroleum Geologist relocating the family seven times before retiring in Midland in 1985. At the time of his retirement, he was Manager of Exploration Geologists for Oxy Petroleum.

He is survived by his four children: Lucretia of Midland, Louis John, Jr. of Las Cruces, NM, Anna Brewer of Plano and Tony of Austin, as well as grandson Paul of Dallas and granddaughter Claire also of Dallas. In addition he is survived by his sisters Elissa Cevola of Tustin Ranch, CA and Josephine Bevacqua of Dallas, numerous nieces and nephews and countless friends.

He was an avid carpenter and master craftsman capable of fixing just about anything and usually improving upon the original. He build his own workshop in which he spent many happy hours making handcrafted items for family, friends and church. He was an unashamed "dumpster diver" using most anything he found in one creation or other. He was recycling before it was fashionable. A true renaissance man, he could fix or build anything from a delicate carving to the engine of a car. He was the ultimate resource person to both family and friends.

He was a member of St Ann Church and served there as Eucharistic Minister, Usher, and ministering to the home-bound for many years. He also loved to attend mass at St. Stephen's.

He was a proud Italian American, a devote Catholic and very honorable man. He is in our lives and hearts forever.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that you consider a donation to Wounded Warrior Project, Catholic Relief Services or St. Ann's Church.

A rosary has been scheduled for 7:00 p.m., Wednesday May 28, 2014, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral Mass is scheduled for Thursday, May 29, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. at St Ann's Church in Midland. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

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Death Notices

Charles Franklin Thomas Scott

Charles Franklin Thomas Scott, 91, passed away Friday, May 23, 2014.

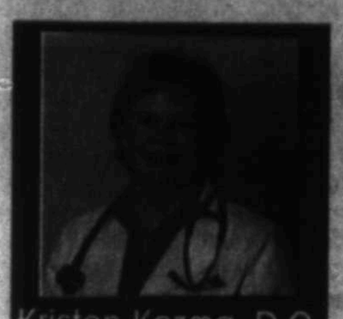
Charles is survived by his wife, Bobbie Scott; daughter, Eleanor Scott Leeper; son, Tommy Scott.

Graveside services are scheduled for 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 27, 2014, at Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland, Texas.

Ruth Thomas Salisbury

Ruth Thomas Salisbury, 92, of Midland, Texas died on May 24, 2014. Interment will be Tuesday, May 27 at 10:00 a.m. at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring. A memorial service will be held at Memorial Christian Church in Midland at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday.

Survivors include her four children and their spouses, Anne and Brian Gilley, Betty and Dan Kithcart, Tom and Susan Salisbury, and Kay and Steve Castle.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Odessa man turns his life around after Vision Quest

TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Big Spring storyteller

Luis Tijerina of Odessa holds an extremely responsible position with an oilfield company in Midland. He takes care of the company's computers and other devices. Away from work, he wears a headdress of eagle feathers. He is a Comanche Chief.

When he was 29 years old, he discovered he was part Comanche. So he started studying the tribe's culture. At the time, Luis needed to change his life. He was broke, addicted to drugs and alcohol, had no car, had one child in diapers and another on the way. His life was a mess and he knew it. He wanted to change. The more he looked into Native American literature and lore, the more he was attracted to it. He decided to immerse himself into the culture. He didn't know how painful it would be.

"There is a ceremony called the Vision Quest where they send teenage boys out into the wilderness for four days without food and water," he said. "Although I was older, I decided to do a Vision Quest to see what my life was all about. I know that when you deprive the body of food and water for a few days the body begins to die. Then I had the vision and got to see what my life was really all about. It was about talking to young people and telling them how messed up my life was because of drugs and alcohol. Since the vision, I have made appearances at schools all over West Texas. When I came back from the vision I was greeted by family and friends and there was a ceremony welcoming me back into my new life. I received the name Watching Wolf. A wolf teaches its young how to live and survive in the wilderness. It's a family-oriented creature. Those are the characteristics I took on. I've been able to help a lot of people in my community."

His Vision Quest took place near the ghost town of Casa Piedra, south of Marfa.

"I was sitting, facing the west, watching the sunset on the third day," he said, describing his vision. "I had seen this rattlesnake earlier in the day and when I sat down it came beside me. I didn't think much of it because it didn't seem to want to harm me. But at this point I'm not in the real world. I'm in a spiritual realm because I had been sitting and meditating. So this is part of the vision that is coming at me. When the snake gets beside me, I pick up the snake by the tail and hold it way up above my head and I eat that snake. A few minutes later I turn into the snake and I crawl off into the west. I took that to understand that I now possess all the attributes of that snake. A rattlesnake can kill you but it can also heal you."

Because of his vision, Luis wears rattlesnake parts on his elaborate regalia. "The snakeskin I wear represents a part of that vision that I got when I was south of Marfa. I also have a medicine staff that has a snakeskin on it along with a snake head and snake tail." He has written a book about his experiences called "The Healer Within." Several years passed between his Vision Quest and his becoming chief. He did a Sundance Ceremony in South Dakota where flesh from his chest was ripped away while he danced.

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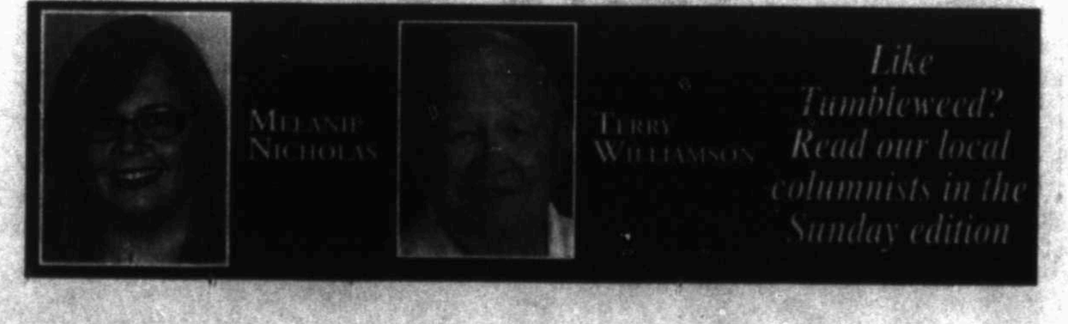

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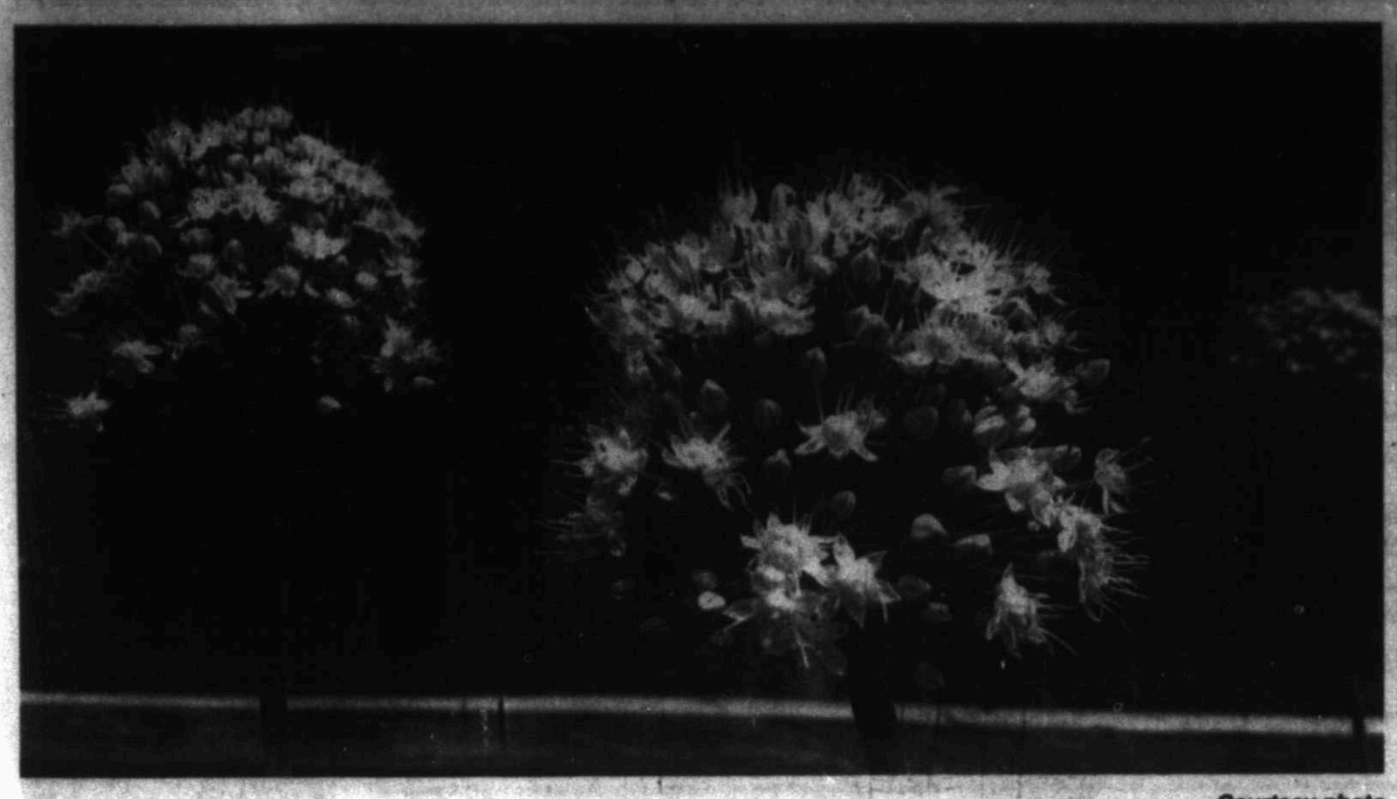

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If you planted onion sets this spring and they shot up a hefty stalk adorning a globe-shaped flower head, they're done.

Crazy spring temperatures curb onion harvest

Jeff Floyd

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If you planted onion sets this spring and they shot up a hefty stalk adorning a globe-shaped flower head, they're done. You can thank the crazy spring temperature swings for curbing this year's onion harvest. All may not be lost; you can collect seed from the charming bloom after it fades. Still, depending upon the variety planted, there is no guarantee that the seed will produce onions next year.

Onions are biennial, meaning they develop vegetative tissues (bulbs) in year one, and reproductive parts (flowers) in year two. Once onions send up a flower, bulb filling stalls severely. Onions are classified according to the optimum number of daylight hours that produce the best bulbs. Long-day onions produce their best bulbs during the longest days of the year while short-day varieties prefer fewer hours of sunlight.

Success with onions is also dependent upon temperature. Onion transplants exposed to fluctuating spring temperatures may be effectively tricked into believing that fall has arrived. Onions exposed to low temperatures following several warm days may begin preparing for year two by naturally redirecting growth into reproduction.

Bolting is not reversible. I've heard people suggest that removing the flower stalk will correct early bolting. This does not work. Once the onions have begun to bolt, the bulbs do not develop further. Although edible, the young bulbs of early-bolting onions do not store well. They should be harvested and used at once.

To prevent early bolting, plant only pencil-sized onion sets. Pencil-sized transplants seem to be optimum for dealing with spring temperature fluctuations. Cover the onions if a late spring frost threatens the garden.

If you want to collect the seeds from bolting onions, wait until the flower heads turn brown. Remove the heads and allow them to completely dry before threshing out the seed. Seed from heirloom varieties (original, open pollinated) will produce onions exactly like the parent. Seed collected from hybrid types are the result of a cross between varieties and may or may not produce a useable onion.

Are you scouting for the pecan nut casebearer?

Reports of both the adult and eggs of the pecan nut casebearer have been below the typical treatment threshold level so far this year in Midland and Odessa. If you are scouting for this harmful pecan pest and would like to report your results, please contact the Midland County Extension office at 686-4700.

What are you going to do with your garden harvest this year? The Texas A&M Extension Service will be hosting a vegetable seminar 6:30-9:30 p.m. June 5 at 1010 E. Eighth St. in Odessa. To register for this free seminar, call 686-4700 or drop me an email at jeff.floyd@ag.tamu.edu.

Re-Leaf by Debbie Frost

The great plant search is an ongoing pursuit for gardeners, and the savvy but more casual weekend gardener is interested in hardy, well-adapted plants. Germander is one such group of plants that deliver good looks, good performance and are easy on water consumption.

Germander (Teucrium sp.) is a large group of plants that range from ground covers, subshrubs to shrubs. They are mostly from Mediterranean climates, but also perform well in West Texas. The following information includes three species that have been used and proven in our area.

Bush germander (T. fruticans) is a twiggy shrub growing about 4 to 6 feet tall and wide. It is a bluish-green, evergreen shrub that has velvety white shoots and small green leaves covered with silvery hairs. Stems are arching, unpredictable and stiff. Use in informal gardens left natural or in formal gardens with hedging. Plants bloom with easily missed lavender-blue flowers, but the fresh silvery foliage helps make up for the bloom. There is a dwarf cultivar called Azureumi that grows 3 to 4 feet tall and wide. Plant in poor soil with good drainage in full to dappled shade.

Wall germander (T. chamaedrys) can be used as a dwarf shrub or ground cover that grows 10 to 15 inches tall and 2 feet wide. The leaves are evergreen, small, dark green and shiny. Plants bloom about this time of year in a rosy, lavender color that should be followed by deadheading. Plant in full sun or part in well-drained soil. Use in raised beds or on slopes for its spreading habit or in a hedged knot or parterre garden. Water every five to seven days in the heat of summer, but once a week or less in the spring and fall.

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Fruity germander (Teucrium cossonii 'Majoricum') is a great ground cover for the edge of garden paths, bed borders and rock gardens especially in full, hot sun.

Fruity germander (T. majoricum) is a low-growing, slowly spreading ground cover. It blooms at this time of year with rose-lavender blooms that look great against gray leaves. The leaves are very small, fine-textured and fragrant. It is great for the front edge of bed borders or for rock gardens. It is harder to find, but worth the search.

Find re-leaf in your search for plants that are tough and well-adapted, by checking out the teucrium genus to expand your plant palette.

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Immature buckeye can't sustain fruit yet

Dear Neil: I have a 5-year-old buckeye that I grew from a seedling. It is now about 6 feet tall. It has bloomed the past several years, and it has produced several small buckeyes, but they have just shriveled up and fallen off. What is wrong?

Answer: It's probably not mature enough. That's not a very old tree, so the odds are that it can't sustain fruit just yet, especially in a dry spring and early summer. Give it another year or two, and it probably will be able to produce mature buckeyes.

Dear Neil: Most of my plums have worm holes. What can I do to stop them?

Answer: You need to follow the Texas A&M Homeowner Fruit and Nut Spray Schedule.

The spray schedule and cultural tips for various fruit crops are normally found online at the TAMU Horticulture website. However, there is nothing you can do at this point. These are plum curculios, and the sprays to prevent them begin while the plants are just starting to bud out. Follow the TAMU spray recommendations carefully. If you don't, the larvae are almost inevitable.

Dear Neil: My sister lives along the Texas Gulf Coast. She has an invasion of insects that may be leafhoppers. When you approach the plant, the brown bugs move around the stems where you can't see them. She tried spraying, but the adults either fly or jump off. Do they damage crape myrtles and lantanas?

Answer: You're correct — those are out of the leafhopper clan. They're probably sharpshooters, and your description of their movement to hide is the one that is most often given for them. Spraying with a general-purpose insecticide will be best, but spray from the top of the plants, down — in a sweeping motion. Sharpshooters are more novelties than threats to our plants. Aphids are more common on crape myrtles, and lace bugs on lantanas.

Dear Neil: We have a St. Augustine lawn, and early each spring a goathead-like weed sprouts and produces white blooms. The burs are awful. How can they be eliminated?

Answer: Use a pre-emergent weedkiller containing Gallery in September. Almost all cool-season weeds sprout going into the fall so they can be well established by springtime. If you still miss some with the pre-emergent, you can control them after they are growing with a broadleafed weedkiller spray containing 2,4-D in early spring. This is the same advice I give for controlling dandelions, clover and other broadleafed winter and early-spring weeds. If you follow the guidelines for them, you'll be on target.

Dear Neil: We bought our house a couple of years ago, and it had a 12-year-old weeping willow growing near it. It budded out early this spring, but a late freeze killed it back and the early leaves were lost. Now it's bare and appears to be dead. The bark has peeled off the trunk 6 inches wide and 18 inches long. Should I take it out? A friend told me they would last a long time.

Answer: Your tree, by willow standards, had a long and rich life. Their average life expectancy, if you consider all the willows that are lost to cottonwood borers at a very early age, is probably eight or 10 years. It's time for a new tree. If you plant anything before fall, you'll have to hand-water it to keep it going all summer. Sprinkler irrigation alone will not be sufficient.

Dear Neil: My zucchini plants produce lots of flowers but no fruit. Why?

Answer: Two possibilities, both involving pollination. When any plant in the cucumber family starts to bloom, it will produce male blooms first (straight stems attaching the flowers to the vines). Only after a couple of weeks will the female flowers (swollen stems that will develop into the fruit) start to develop. It's nature's way of ensuing good pollination. However, if you do see the female flowers and you're still not getting good fruit set, you have sluggish bee activity. Do some pollinating yourself. Pluck a male flower from the plant and strip its petals back to expose the pollen. Carefully daub the pollen onto the female flowers. Presto! You'll be eating zucchinis just a few days later.

Dear Neil: What would cause the leaves of an angel trumpet to cup under? I see no insects. It's almost as if the edges of the leaves have stopped growing, while the centers continue to grow.

Answer: The cause of leaf curl is often hard to pinpoint. The various angel trumpet plants are rank growers, so they can exhibit unusual growth at times. Your plant may have been dealt a glancing blow of broadleafed weedkiller spray from afar, or it might be spring damage left behind by aphids, especially if it's only the old growth that is affected. Moisture stress at a critical time, or even hot, drying winds may have been responsible. I've seen this a few times on the brugmansias, far less often on daturas.

Casa's 50th anniversary

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Jasmin Ronquillo, 5, gets her face painted by Joy to the World on Thursday at the Casa de Amigos open house and 50th anniversary celebration. The event featured outdoor activities for children such as bounce houses, a "Frozen" performance and face painting, as well as live music, a DJ and a Ballet Folkorico performance. There were videos and photos chronicling the history of the nonprofit organization, signs recognizing former board presidents, booths highlighting some of Casa's programs and health agencies offering screenings.

TODAY: Sunny High: 89 Low: 65

WEDNESDAY: Sunny High: 89 Low: 65

THURSDAY: Sunny High: 88 Low: 66

FRIDAY: Sunny High: 86 Low: 64

SATURDAY: Sunny High: 82 Low: 64

SUNDAY: Sunny High: 80 Low: 65

Local forecast

Expect sunny skies today with a high around 89 and south winds between 5 and 10 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for mostly clear conditions with a low around 65 and north winds between 5 and 10 mph.

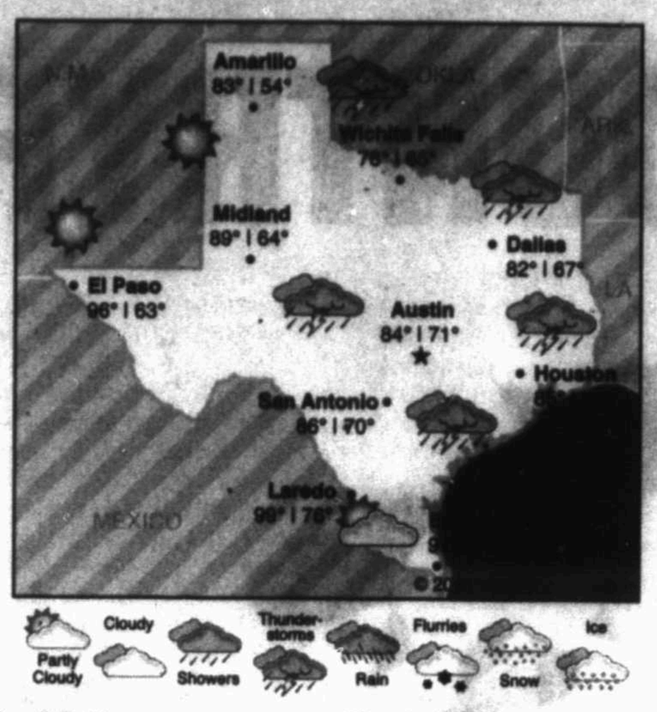
Wednesday, look for sunny skies with a high around 89, a low around 65 and northeast winds between 5 and 10 mph.

Thursday, look for sunny skies with a high around 88 and a low around 66.

The high on Monday reached 84 while the low dropped to 62. The record high for May 26 is 100 set in 1991. The record low is 48 set in 1950.

National forecast

A broad area of showers and thunderstorms will extend from eastern Texas and Louisiana northward to parts of the Midwest and Northeast today. The most concentrated area of heavy rain is forecast to fall on the south-central states and could lead to numerous incidents of flash and urban flooding. A few of the storms over the Midwest, central Appalachians and Plains states can also bring strong wind gusts and hail. The pattern is being produced by a flow of humid air from the Gulf of Mexico and a disturbance in the atmosphere.



Precipitation

Sunday	1.83 in.
Monday	0.00 in.
Month total	2.26 in.
Year total	3.16 in.
Normal total (year to date)	3.88 in.

Monday's temperatures

High	84
Low	62
Normal high	90
Normal low	63
Sunrise	6:45 a.m.
Sunset	8:47 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Tuesday, May 27

Woman's HIV status casts shadow on budding romance

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'm a 32-year-old woman who is HIV-positive. My colleague — who is unaware of my status — recently introduced me to a relative of hers who is also lonely and looking for someone to settle down with. We "clicked" and seem to complement each other in every way, although we haven't had any sexual encounter.

My fear is, how do I disclose my status without being rejected? He seems to have big plans for us, which include settling down and having kids in the future. I am also worried that he might be angry with my colleague and not believe that she is unaware of my status. Please help me get out of this dilemma. — IN A SPOT IN SOUTH AFRICA

DEAR IN A SPOT: I'll try, but there are no guarantees. Much depends upon the strength of this man's feelings for you. It is very important that you have a frank discussion with him before the relationship goes any further.

The fact that you are HIV-positive may be problematic, but it does not mean you cannot have a family together if you wish in the future. Medications and other medical interventions can help keep the virus from being transmitted to your children, and condoms can protect your partner.

If you are upfront about your status, the chances are better that he will believe you when you tell him his relative was not aware that you have HIV when you were introduced. In a case like this, honesty is the best policy.

DEAR ABBY: I have three grown sons, all educated, married and successful. Their wives are the daughters I never had, and I treasure them and their children. I'm blessed with three perfect grandchildren under the age of 5.

The problem is my sons. Although I raised them carefully with love, they are like teenagers. They constantly denigrate and fight with each other, and measure my time with them on a competitive scale. I no longer want to be involved with their bickering. Their dad, from whom I am separated, is not involved.

This has created a sad cloud in my otherwise sunny life. I need some advice. — TIED IN KNOTS IN INDIANAPOLIS

DEAR TIED IN KNOTS: Have you told your sons how uncomfortable their sibling quibbling makes you? If you haven't, you should. And if that doesn't improve the situation, I suggest you see them separately. And if that causes problems, please don't make it YOUR problem.

DEAR ABBY: Over the past 10 years or so, I have noticed a vast increase in people who talk while they are yawning. These "yawn-talkers" are not only rude, but also almost impossible to understand. I wouldn't normally care, except that a lot of people do it where I work.

Is it OK to tell them to stop yawn-talking? Or would I be the rude one in the scenario? — WIDE AWAKE IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR WIDE AWAKE: It wouldn't be rude to ask someone to repeat the statement because you were unable to understand what the person was trying to say. And, by the way, polite folks cover their mouths when they yawn to avoid spraying saliva on the person in front of them.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Bridge or poker?

East-West vulnerable. North deals.

NORTH
♠ Q 2
♡ Void
◇ A J 7 5 3
♣ A 10 7 6 3 2

WEST
♠ 10 7
♡ 9 8 6 4
◇ K 6 4
♣ J 9 8 4

EAST
♠ A J 8 6 5 4 3
♡ 3
◇ Q 9 2
♣ K Q

SOUTH
♠ K 9
♡ A K Q J 10 7 5 2
◇ 10 8
♣ 5

The bidding:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1♣	1♠	3NT	Pass
4♡	Pass	6NT	Pass
Pass	Dbl	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Opening lead: Four of ♠

South was Richie Coren, of Delray Beach, Florida, en route to victory in the prestigious Platinum Pairs at the recent North American Championships. Coren is also an excellent poker player, and it is hard to tell which game he was playing on this hand.

Tournament players, in their search for matchpoints, will sometimes take actions that rubber bridge players would consider comical. Coren's bidding on this hand might qualify him for a stand-up gig on the "Tonight" show, but it somehow failed to amuse his opponents.

In tournament play, the double of a voluntarily bid slam calls for an unusual lead, but any lead should beat this silly contract. West, asked not to lead partner's suit, chose a low diamond. Coren was appalled at the sight of dummy, realizing that he had no chance, but the poker player in him refused to give up.

Coren calmly called for a low diamond from dummy and East had a terrible problem. The winning play of the queen of diamonds did not seem like the right play. Didn't South rate to have the king? East went with the percentages and inserted his nine, hoping partner had led from the 10. It was Coren who held the 10, and he happily won the first trick with it. He had to be careful and cash all eight of his hearts immediately — he had no entry back to his hand — but he claimed his slam shortly thereafter.

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 Tuesday, May 27, 2014:

This year you open up to a lot of new possibilities. You are unusually creative, dynamic and charismatic. As a result, doors open for you. Your sense of humor carries you far. If you are single, you'll meet a lot of special people. You'll want to choose the right person for you. Date until you find Mr. or Ms. Right. If you are attached, the two of you will want to spend more time together. Your popularity will soar, so you will need to make special time for your sweetie and/or involve him or her more in the different elements of your life. A fellow GEMINI encourages rebellion.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You might feel strongly about a financial matter, and you'll want to let everyone else know. No one will question your direction. You will be greeted with a sigh of relief once you explain your logic. A family member is likely to go overboard. Tonight: Order in.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ You'll be flying high and enjoying it. Look around to see if a grouchy friend or loved one is tagging along behind you. Your positive, optimistic smile allows others to relax and become more authentic. Tonight: Hang out with a dear pal, neighbor or relative.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ Your instincts will guide you with spending, price comparison and negotiation. Be sure to keep your budget in mind, even though you won't want to. If you have been feeling unusually tired and withdrawn, you might want to consider scheduling a checkup. Tonight: Pace yourself.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Zero in on what you want and what you feel is most important for the majority. You could overthink an emotional issue or a problem with a child or loved one. Your positive attitude will help you to get past a bump or hassle. Tonight: Enjoy the moment.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ You will have an opportunity to take the lead on an important project that you care a lot about. Your sense of humor allows greater flexibility in what quickly could evolve into a difficult and touchy situation. Your instincts will carry you far. Tonight: In the limelight.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ Keep reaching out to someone at a distance. You could feel intimidated if you don't get a hold of this person within a certain number of phone calls. You might want to try a different approach. A friend will lend a hand and come through for you. Tonight: Find an expert.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Relate to a partner or associate directly about an issue surrounding funds. This person needs to know how you feel; saying nothing or copping an attitude will not be as powerful. He or she needs to know where you are coming from. Tonight: Togetherness works.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ You might want to have a long-overdue conversation with several colleagues. Unless you convene a meeting with the people involved, you will not see this talk happen. Take responsibility for what you desire, and make it so. Tonight: Be entertained. Try a movie.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ You have a lot of ground to cover. You can succeed if you focus on each task at hand. A partner will pitch in and help if you delegate some of your responsibilities. Curb a tendency to be so critical of yourself. Tonight: Head home, but make sure to squeeze in some exercise first.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ You'll put in a major effort at a meeting to present others with the options as you see them. You will anticipate a certain amount of feedback, but what you end up hearing might be totally unexpected. Go with the moment, and know your limits. Tonight: Go for naughty.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ You might want to reconsider an offer involving property. You could feel overburdened by your options and not know which way to go. Lighten up the moment with your sense of humor. A childlike energy will emerge later today, when you finally feel free. Tonight: In the moment.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ You might want to ask more questions about a matter that surrounds your personal life. Let your ingenuity lead the way to the right path for you, and hopefully for others as well. A friend is likely to wonder what is going on with you. Tonight: Express your caring.

BORN TODAY

Former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger (1923), gunfighter James Butler Hickok (1837), actor Vincent Price (1911)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

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6 Gimlet garnish
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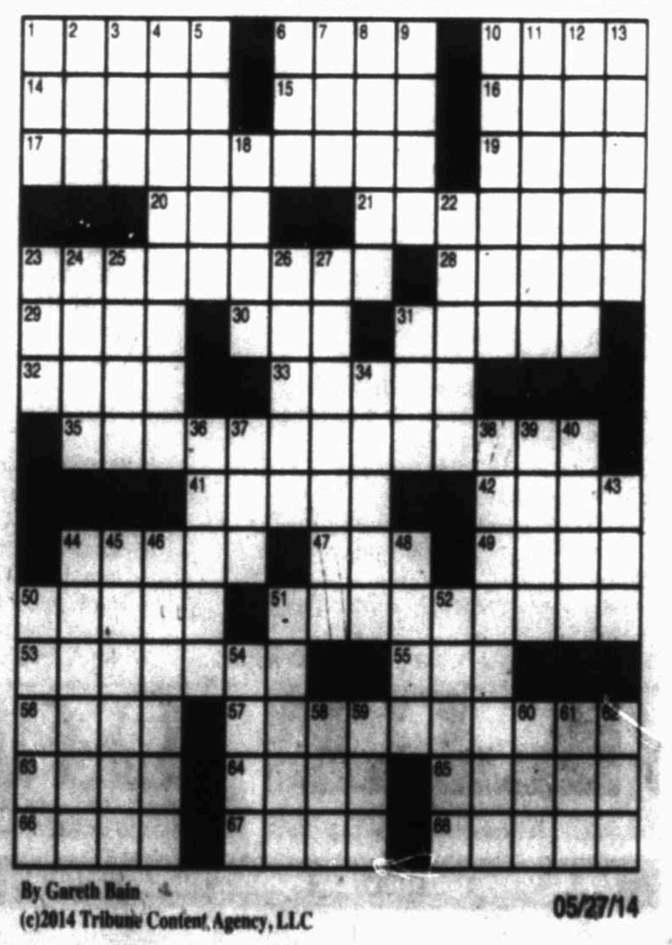

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SOUNDBITE

Reviews of recent release

COLDPLAY
"Ghost Stories"

Chris Martin's breakup album deals with love and loss in generalities rather than specifics. But there's not many words rhyme with "Gwyneth." "I'm ready for the pain," Coldplay's frontman sings on "Oceans." "I'm ready for a change."

Martin and Gwyneth Paltrow announced in March they were uncoupling after more than a decade of marriage, which intensified anticipation Coldplay might stray from its familiar formula on the band's sixth album, "Ghost Stories." The lyrics do suggest Martin's trying to escape ghosts in his past, but he surrounds his singing with the digital drone of synthesizers and never digs too deep to describe his heartache. "Blood on the Tracks" this is not.

Instead, the band's music remains appealing mostly for its surface sheen. Several arrangements on the nine-track set are intimate by arena-band standards, and the best sound like Martin singing in his bedroom.

Most of the album was created with producer Paul Epworth, best known for his Grammy- and Oscar-winning work with Adele, as well as Florence + the Machine and Foster the People. But Epworth doesn't bring out the best version of Coldplay.

On "Ghost Stories," there's little piano, guitar or percussion, and there are few memorable melodies or surprises, which is why a discordant guitar note on "True Love" stands out. The soft focus of the words and music makes for sterile gauze, which is one way to treat a wounded heart.

Steven Wine/AP

CONOR OBERST
"Upside Down Mountain"

"There are hundreds and hundreds and hundreds of ways to get through the day — just find one," Conor Oberst counsels on his new solo album. Oberst may not have hundreds of styles, but he's multifarious enough. His hugely prolific career now extends more than two decades: through solo albums and various bands, including Bright Eyes, the protest-minded Desaparecidos and the songwriters' alliance Monsters of Folk, among others. And his songs have manifested themselves through introspection and noise, acoustic and electronic sounds, folk-rock and punk and an approximation of soul, the unguarded and obscure and artful; there have been brilliant ones, competent ones and throwaways.

All of Oberst's gifts align on "Upside Down Mountain": his empathy, his unassumingly natural melodies, the quavery sincerity in his voice, the plain-spoken but telling lyrics that he's now careful to deliver clearly. His new songs are focused and aphoristic, earnestly reflecting on life without getting too precious. He offers advice: "Freedom"

Jon Pareles/N.Y. Times

Charles Sykes/AP

Dolly Parton performs on NBC's "Today" show on May 13 in New York.

Parton covers a lot of ground on 'Blue Smoke'

By Randy Lewis
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Dolly Parton was a fireball of energy when she called for a quick chat about her new album, "Blue Smoke," and the companion tour that took her to Australia in February and that will take her across Europe this summer, with some U.S. dates along the way.

"I can talk fast, so we can cover a lot of ground," the 68-year-old Tennessee native said out of the gate. Up first, the album, which was released earlier this year in time for the Australia dates, but is just came out May 13 in the U.S. and the rest of the world.

The title reflects the character of the Smoky Mountains in Tennessee where she grew up, and the tone to an extent harks to the rootsy, back-to-basics albums she put out at the turn of the 21st century, "The Grass Is Blue," and its successor, "Little Sparrow." Those albums earned her the two most recent of her seven Grammy Awards, "The Grass Is Blue" for country album and the "Little Sparrow" track "Shine" for female country vocal.

"This album tends to have more of the bluegrass-country flavor," she said. "We used all the bluegrass instruments. One of the reasons I called it 'Blue Smoke' is that it has a tinge of the bluegrass of the Smoky Mountains — a mountain music flavor. The 'Blue Smoke' song is about a heartbreak train called Blue Smoke."

It's built on a spirited shuffle rhythm, rootsy instrumentation including guitar, fiddle and dobro and a sing-along chorus with her message of departure to an unfaithful love: "It hurts to know you cheated and it hurts to know you lied / But it hurts me even worse to know you never even tried."

The majority of the songs are her own, but she's also recorded a sweetly reflective duet with old pal Kenny Rogers on "You Can't Make Old Friends," and she's included her versions of Bon Jovi's "Lay Your Hands on Me" and Bob Dylan's "Don't Think Twice, It's All Right."

Of the Bon Jovi song, she said, "I kinda countrified it, the way I do. I did it with more of a gospel flavor and added some new words. When I first heard that, I thought, 'Man, what a great title.' It has a great feel, gospel sound and that message of 'lay your hands on me' for people who believe in prayer, it's a good uplifting song. It's going to be a nice tune for our concerts. And I did 'Don't Think Twice, It's All Right,' which has always been a favorite of mine. That turned out very nice in a country-bluegrassy way."

The album ends on almost a valedictory note with "Try," a quintessential piece of Parton's homespun philosophizing and empowerment that would become a key part of her music: "Secure yourself for climbing / Make ready for the flight / Don't let your chance go by / You'll make it if you try."

She made a quick jaunt out west in January for dates in Arizona, Nevada and a Southern California casino show in Rancho Mirage. The first leg of her U.S. tour started Thursday in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and includes only a handful of shows in the Midwest and South before she's off to Europe for much of the summer. More U.S. dates are still to be announced.

Besides giving concerts in Australia, she continued rolling out her Dolly Parton Imagination Library program there, funded by her Dollywood Foundation, that puts free books into the hands of preschool children.

United Way has joined with the program to expand it worldwide, and "they're doing amazing things," she said. "Every day something new happens, and they're getting more books into the hands of more children."

She appeared as herself in the Lifetime movie "A Country Christmas Story," which premiered last fall and is likely to be trotted out every holiday season.

After dropping in a good word about her 30-year-old Dollywood Theme Park in Pigeon Forge, Tenn., at which an accompanying resort is being built — "that's new and exciting" — she was ready to move on.

"Mostly, we're promoting the new CD and the world tour, and with the Imagination Library and Dollywood," she said with her signature squeaky laugh. "That oughta be enough for a simple country girl."

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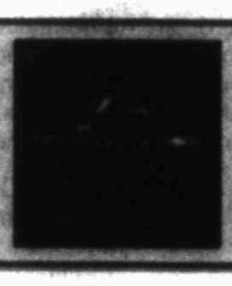
Today's releases

Neil Young 'A Letter Home'

Newsboys 'Restart'

Mariah Carey 'Rio. I Am Mariah ... The Elusive Chanteuse'



Rise '40'

Adam Lambert 'Playlist: The Very Best of Adam Lambert'

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MAY

27 **Tommy, Jean, Jerry & Co.** @ Permian Basin Dance Club
27 **2X4, Iam** @ Pine Box
28 **Jumping Giants Band** @ Shack in the Back
28 **Next 2 the Tracks** @ Riley's
28 **Gemini Syndrome, Eyes Set to Kill, Exotype** @ Blue Max
28 **Justin Langston** @ Saltgrass
29 **Prophets and Outlaws** @ Lone Star Bar
29 **Matt Kimbrow** @ Rockin Rodeo
28 **Cory Yeager** @ Cafe at Alldredge Garden
29 **Tommy, Jean, Jerry & Co.** @ West Texas Dance Club
30 **Primavera, Los Rieleros del Norte, Conjunto Peria del Desierto, Junior Melendez** @ La Hacienda
30 **Satisfaction** @ Grande Stadium
30 **Tech Jazz** @ Music City Mall
30 **Dizzi LaMar and Desert Wind** @ The Detour
30 **Nick Verzosa & the Noble Union** @ Lone Star Bar
30 **Den Patterson and the Dying Lights** @ Redneck's
30 **Filthy Still, Alex Culbreth and the Dead Country Stars** @ Blue Max
30 **TC Fambro & The Copperheads, Joe Teichman** @ Crossroads Saloon (Big Spring)
30 **Amber Rose, Second Harmony** @ Cigar Frog's
30-31 **Grindstone** @ The Bar
30-31 **Bobby Champion New Revolution Band** @ Your Place
30-31 **Grindstone** @ The Bar
31 **Zane Williams, Cody Bryan Band** @ Lone Star Bar
31 **Downfall Rising, Kilter, Rustic Circle** @ Blue Max
31 **Dead Earth Politics** @ VFW
31 **The Band McGraw** @ Redneck's
31 **Mike Leonard, Ty Miller, Richard Acuna, Mary Mitchell, Martha Elliot** @ Music City Mall
31 **Turnpike Troubadors, The Dirty River Boys** @ La Hacienda

JUNE

1 **Weatherstone** @ Museum of the Southwest
1 **Danny Trashville, Hudson Falcons, St. Christopher Webster** @ Blue Max
1 **Goodtimers** @ Music City Mall
3 **Goodtimers** @ Permian Basin Dance Club
4 **The Peculiar Pretzelmen, Gators in the Sawgrass** @ Blue Max
4 **Ullrich Ellison and Tribe** @ Shack in the Back
5 **Hellbilly Homicide** @ Blue Max
5 **Dina & Divo** @ Cafe At Alldredge Gardens
5 **Sweetwater Rain** @ Lone Star Bar
6 **Erick y Grupo Massore, Tropicalisimo Apache, Trope Estrella, La Chuzma** @ Mex-Tex family Fiesta
6 **Next 2 the Tracks** @ Riley's
6 **Goodtimers** @ Music City Mall
6 **Fusion** @ The Roadhouse
6 **White Ghost Shivers** @ Noel Heritage Park
6 **Kyle Park** @ Graham Central Station
6 **Emily Herring and Farm to Market Road** @ Blue Max
6 **No Dry County, The O's** @ Lone Star Bar
6 **The Quebe Sisters Band** @ ArtiZen
6 **Shane Rogers Band** @ The Detour
6 **Austin English Band** @ Redneck's
6-7 **The Electric Cowboys** @ The Bar
6-7 **Who'z Drivin** @ Your Place
7 **Las Fenix** @ Mex-Tex Family Fiesta
7 **Antique Scream** @ Blue Max
7 **Marley Prase** @ Redneck's
8 **Unsweet T's** @ Museum of the Southwest
8 **The Harmaleighs** @ Riley's
8 **The Chop Tops** @ Blue Max
8 **Tommy, Jean, Jerry & Co.** @ Music City Mall
10 **Johnny & Susie Band** @ Permian Basin Dance Club
10 **Pinata Protest, Guetto Justice** @ Blue Max

LUBBOCK

MAY

30 **Jack White, Kelley Stoltz** @ Wild West

JUNE

11 **Secrets, The Wild Life** @ Jake's
14 **Paul McCartney** @ United Spirit Arena
28 **Too $hort, E-40** @ Jake's

JUNE

15 **Chevelle** @ Lone Star Events Center

NEW MEXICO

MAY

31 **Melissa Manchester** @ Spencer Theater (Alto)

DALLAS-FORT WORTH AREA

MAY

27 **Logic, Quest** @ House Of Blues
28 **Peter Murphy** @ Granada Theater
29 **The 1975, Bad Suns** @ House Of Blues
28 **Vanessa Peters** @ AT&T Performing Arts Center

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RockHounds rally from 5-run deficit, but lose in 10 innings

By Len Hayward
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Drillers	6
RockHounds	5 (10)

Tulsa's Harold Riggins and Midland's Josh Whitaker were in similar situations on Monday afternoon at Security Bank Ballpark.

And both came through for their teams when it counted in a game that looked like it was going to be a Drillers romp early.

But it turned out that Riggins' clutch hit was a little bigger than Whitaker's.

Riggins hit a one-out RBI double in the 10th inning to give the Drillers a 6-5 victory against Midland.

But Riggins wouldn't have had the chance to do that had Whitaker not slapped a two-run double to left in the eighth to help the RockHounds (27-23) erase a five-run deficit with a three-run inning and force the extra frame.

Entering their key at-bats on Monday, the two sluggers were a combined 0-for-5 with each drawing a walk.

And even with those struggles early in the game both came through in key times for their teams.

"I think that's the big part of developing as a professional ball player is realizing that every at-bat counts," said Whitaker, who finished the day 1-for-4 with the two RBI. "You come into a game and start off 0-for-3 and not seeing the ball well, but you've got a chance that fourth at-bat to have a big knock. For instance, me today I was 0-for-2 and I had a good swing at a big point in the ballgame."

Riggins was hitting .291 entering the game, and had three strikeouts in his four previous plate appearances on Monday.

But in the 10th, he was following Dustin Garneau who hit a sharp single to center and then hit the game-winning double. Garneau beat a relay throw home, just sliding under the tag of RockHounds catcher Blake Forsythe for the game-winning run.

"My confidence has been the same all year, whether I'm swinging the bat well or not, I believe in my abilities," said Riggins, who has seven doubles this season with 17 RBI. "I take what I can from each at-bat and try to learn form it and then just move on. You can't go back and change the past."

Riggins' chance at being the hero

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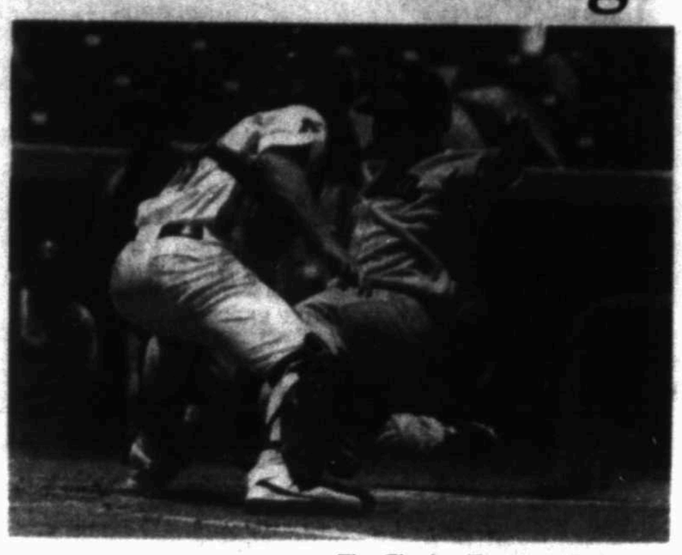

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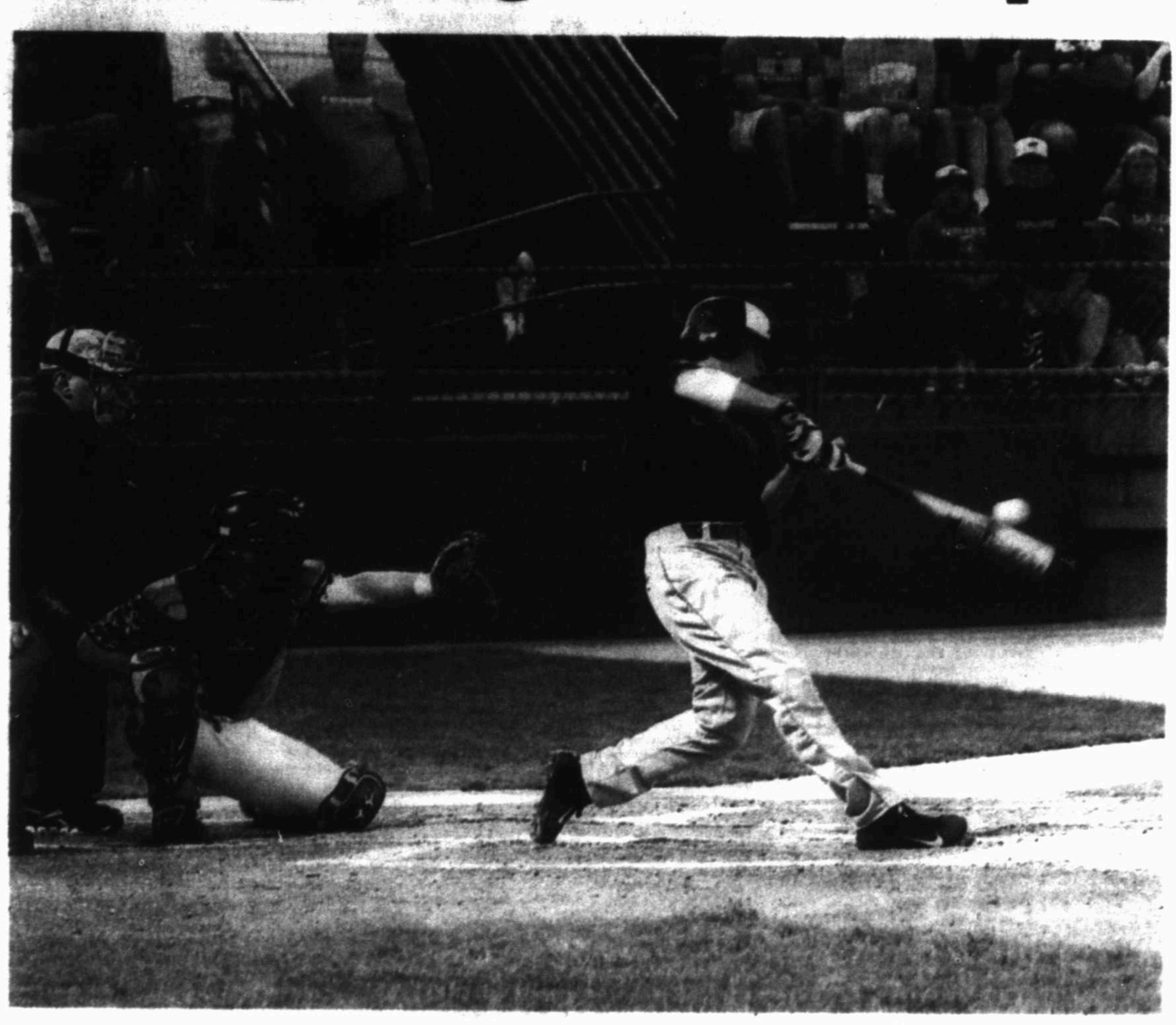
Midland catcher Blake Forsthe tries to make the tag on Tulsa's Jared Simon at home plate Monday at Security Bank Ballpark. Simon was called safe on the play.

Rough night for Chaps



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Midland College's Justin Clarkson swings at a pitch Monday during the Chaparrals' game against Iowa Western during the JUCO World Series at Suplizio Field in Grand Junction, Colorado.

Iowa Western drops Midland College on Monday

By Oscar LeRoy
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Reivers	9
Chaparrals	0

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo. — The Midland College baseball team got into a deep hole during their winner's bracket second round game against Iowa Western Monday night at Suplizio Field.

And the Chaparrals couldn't dig out of it as the Reivers rolled to a 9-0 run-rule victory in seven innings.

Iowa Western will move on to face either Blinn College or Miami Dade at 8:30 p.m. (CDT) Wednesday. Midland College, meanwhile, will play Columbia State (Tenn.) at 4 p.m. today in an elimination game.

It was rough start for Midland pitcher Jayden O'Dell as he struggled with his control from the get-go as the Reivers jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the first inning behind two hits, a walk and a hit-by-pitch. The big blast came from Jason McMurray, who connected for a two-run home run to right-center field.

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O'Dell's troubles continued in the second inning when he allowed the first three runners to reach behind a double single and walk, the last of which came on a wild pitch, which allowed Jake Scudder to score from third for a 4-0 lead.

O'Dell lasted one-plus inning before giving way to right-hander and Lee grad Michael Brosig. The Reivers added two more runs after the pitching change for a 6-0 lead after two innings.

Errors started hurting the Chaps in the third and fourth innings as three miscues in the infield led to three unearned runs and a commanding 9-0 lead for the Reivers.

Meanwhile, Iowa Western starter Erik Swanson was solid as he allowed just three hits through five innings and struck out seven.

The game did not start until 9:24 p.m. (CDT).

The tournament was already set back on Sunday night with the postponement of the game between Spartanburg Methodist College (S.C) and Miami Dade College because of rain. That game was made up at 9 a.m. Monday.

Then in the 1 p.m. (CDT) scheduled game between Cochise College (Ariz.) and Columbia State (Tenn.), the contest went 12 innings and 4 hours, 12 minutes before Columbia State won it, 12-11, with a game-ending home run with no outs in the frame.

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Ibaka expects to play Game 4 vs. Spurs

By Cliff Brunt
Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY — So far, so good for Serge Ibaka's comeback.

The Thunder forward said Monday that his strained left calf is feeling fine, and he expects to be able to play today in Game 4 of the Western Conference finals.

Ibaka came back from what was thought to be a season-ending injury to play 30 minutes in Game 3 against San Antonio. He had 15 points, seven rebounds and four blocks to help Oklahoma City beat the Spurs, 106-97, Sunday night and trim their deficit in the series to 2-1.

Ibaka said he felt no worse on Monday than the night before. He said it was a struggle during the game, but he stayed loose and was able to deal with the pain.

"It was kind of hard a little bit with my feet," he said. "I was using more my right foot than left foot. I could not do too much last night. After we saw the video, I felt like I was slow."

If that was Ibaka's version of not doing much, San Antonio might have a problem. The Spurs won the first two games by a combined 52 points, but with Ibaka, Oklahoma City dominated on Sunday and led by 20 with just over three minutes to go.

"I love what he did," Thunder coach Scott Brooks said. "I love the determination that he played with. That's something that he's done all along. That was a great, great game by him. He impacted the game both ends of the floor."

Ibaka isn't worried about re-injuring the calf or making it worse. His single concern is being on the floor for his team.

"When we sign here in the NBA, we sign on everything, man," he said. "At the end of the day, no matter what happened last night ... I signed for this."

The Spurs said they have more problems than Ibaka. They said to win today, they need to improve their shooting, rebounding and penetration.

"We just need to play better, shoot the ball better," Spurs forward Tim Duncan said. "Just continue to attack and be more aggressive and try to get to the basket, get to the free throw line, just get them on their heels a little bit. I think we got on our heels too much, and the result was what it was."

The Spurs also need to keep Oklahoma City off the free-throw line. The Thunder outscored the Spurs, 26-15, from the line on Sunday as Russell Westbrook and Kevin Durant both went 8-for-8. Westbrook and Durant had combined for just 17 free-throw attempts in the first two games combined.

"The disparity in free throws really shows a sign of aggressiveness," San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich said. "It's about the game. It's about how you play."

Tepesch picks up win as Rangers top Twins

By Aadam Czech
Associated Press

Rangers	7
Tigers	2

MINNEAPOLIS — After a rough first two innings, Nick Tepesch settled down and cruised through another quality outing to help the Texas Rangers stay hot.

Tepesch won his second consecutive start, Elvis Andrus and Chris Gimenez each had two RBI, and the Rangers beat the Minnesota Twins 7-2 on Monday afternoon.

Tepesch (2-0) gave up both his runs in the first two innings before lasting 6 2/3. He struck out four to win consecutive starts for the first time in his career.

"That's one of the things that made me successful today, to be able to put the first two innings behind me," Tepesch said. "Treat each inning as a new inning."

Alex Rios added two more hits and now has six straight multi-hit games. The Rangers have won three straight and five of six after a rough start to the season.

"Early in the season everything didn't go the way we wanted it to," Andrus said. "At the same time, we still trust in each other and we knew there's a lot of baseball left. Everyone is feeling well right now as a team."

Trevor Plouffe homered and Eduardo Escobar had two hits and an RBI for the Twins, who have lost four in a row since climbing two games over .500 on May 21.

After Kevin Correia (2-6) set down nine straight, Roughned Odor and Shin-Soo Choo lined back-to-back two-out singles in the fifth. Andrus followed with a double to the gap in left-center that scored both runners and broke a 2-all tie.

"It's two-out hits. That's been the theme this season," Correia said. "That one pitch or two pitches a game, you make that one pitch and

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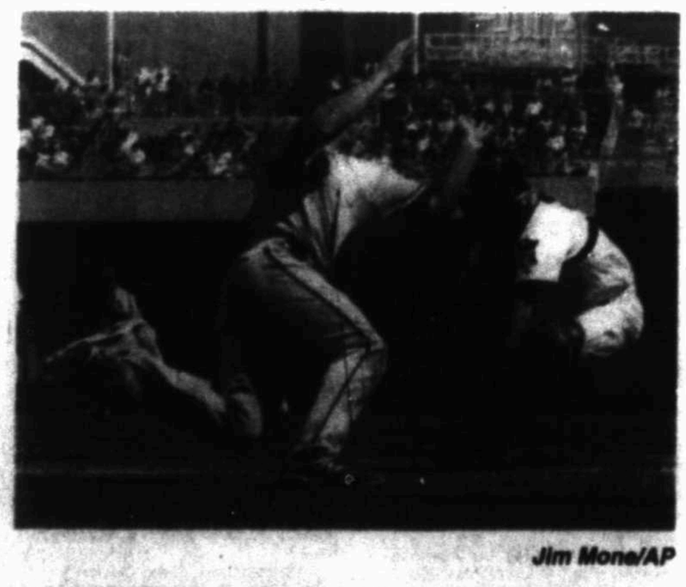

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Texas' Chris Gimenez, left, begins his slide past Minnesota's Kurt Suzuki to score on a Leonys Martin double in the eighth inning Monday in Minneapolis.

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SATURDAY'S SCORE
Tulsa 6, Midland 5, 10 innings

TODAY'S GAME
Midland at Springfield, 7:10 p.m., Hammons Field, Springfield, Missouri

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Sunday	Monday	Today	Wednesday	Thursday
Tulsa 2, Midland 1	Tulsa 6, Midland 5, 10 innings	Midland at Springfield	Midland at Springfield	Midland at Springfield

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ON THE AIR

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NCAA, Division I playoffs, match play semifinals, 4 p.m., TGC
MLB
Boston at Atlanta, 6 p.m., ESPN
Cincinnati at L.A. Dodgers, 9 p.m., ESPN
NBA
Playoffs, conference finals, game 4, San Antonio at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m., TNT
NHL
Playoffs, conference finals, N.Y. Rangers at Montreal, 7 p.m., NBC Sports Network
SOCCER
MLS, New York at Kansas City, 6:45 p.m., ESPN2
Men's national teams, exhibition, United States vs. Azerbaijan, 8:55 p.m., ESPN2
TENNIS
French Open, second round, 4 a.m., ESPN2

WHAT'S ON DECK

TODAY
JUCO WORLD SERIES
Midland College vs. Columbia State, 4 p.m., Grand Junction, Colorado

COLLEGE SOFTBALL

NCAA Division I Softball
At ASA Hall of Fame Stadium
Oklahoma City
Double Elimination; x-if necessary
Thursday, May 29
Game 1 — Florida (50-12) vs. Baylor (47-14) 11 a.m.
Game 2 — Florida State (55-7) vs. Oregon (54-7), 1:30 p.m.
Game 3 — Louisiana-Lafayette (49-8) vs Kentucky (48-14), 6 p.m.
Game 4 — Oklahoma (50-11) vs. Alabama (50-11), 9:30 p.m.
Friday, May 30
Game 5 — Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner, 6 p.m.
Game 6 — Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 winner, 8:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Game 7 — Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser, 11 a.m
Game 8 — Game 3 loser vs. Game 4 loser, 1:30 p.m.
Game 9 — Game 5 loser vs. Game 7 winner, 6 p.m.
Game 10 — Game 6 loser vs. Game 8 winner, 8:30 p.m
Sunday, June 1
Game 11 — Game 5 winner vs. Game 9 winner, Noon
Game 12 — Game 6 winner vs. Game 10 winner, 2:30 p.m.
x-Game 13 — Game 5 winner vs. Game 9 loser, 6 p.m.
x-Game 14 — Game 6 winner vs. Game 10 loser, 8:30 p.m.
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Championship Series
(Best-of-3)
Monday, June 2: Teams TBD, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, June 3: Teams TBD, 7 p.m.
x-Wednesday, June 4: Teams TBD, 7 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
BOSTON RED SOX — Recalled C Ryan Lavarnway from Pawtucket (IL). Optioned RHP Alex Wilson to Pawtucket.
KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Activated 2B Omar Infante off the 15-day DL. Optioned RHP Casey Coleman to Omaha (PCL).
MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Called up INF Irving Falu from Nashville (PCL). Optioned RHP Jimmy Nelson to Nashville.
TAMPA BAY RAYS — Placed OF Brandon Guyer on the 15-day DL. Recalled RHP Alex Colome from Charlotte (FSL).
National League
CHICAGO CUBS — Activated OF Justin Ruggiano from the 15-day DL. Optioned OF Ryan Kalish to Iowa (PCL).
NEW YORK METS — Fired hitting coach Dave Hudgens. Released RHP Jose Valverde. Placed OF Eric Young Jr. on the 15-day DL, retroactive to May 25. Recalled OF Matt den Dekker from Las Vegas (PCL).
American Association
AMARILLO SLX — Traded OF Lyndon Estill to San Angelo (UL) for a player to be named.
GARY SOUTHSHORE RAILCATS — Released RHP Jack Wagoner.
GRAND PRAIRIE AIRHOGS — Released RHP Yhency Brazoban and OF Tommy Barksdale.
WINNIPEG GOLDEYES — Released RHP Chase Johnson.
Atlantic League
LONG ISLAND DUCKS — Announced the contract of RHP Leo Rosales was purchased by Leones de Yucatan (Mexican League).
Can-Am League
QUEBEC CAPITALES — Released RHP Joey Housey.
TROIS-RIVIERES AIGLES — Released RHP William Teal and C Alexandre Beland.
Frontier League
FRONTIER GREYS — Released RHP Ryan Hartman.
GATEWAY GRIZZLIES — Signed RHP Oliver Van Zant.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Promoted Bruce Allen to president and general manager.
Canadian Football League
WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS —Signed LB Jesse Briggs and DB Derek Jones.
Arena Football League
ORLANDO PREDATORS — Acquired DL TJ Fatinikun from Portland to complete an earlier trade.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
BUFFALO SABRES — Signed F Nicolas Deslauriers to a two-year contract.
WASHINGTON CAPITALS — Promoted Brian MacLellan to senior vice president and general manager. Named Barry Trotz coach.

MLS STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
New England	7	3	2	23	21	14
Sporting Kansas City	5	4	3	18	18	12
D.C	5	4	3	18	17	14
Houston	5	7	2	17	16	24
Columbus	4	4	4	16	15	14
New York	3	5	5	14	19	21
Toronto FC	4	4	1	13	11	11
Chicago	2	3	6	12	19	21
Philadelphia	2	7	5	11	16	24
Montreal	1	4	4	7	9	22

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Seattle	8	3	2	26	25	21
Real Salt Lake	6	0	6	24	23	13
Colorado	5	4	3	18	16	15
FC Dallas	5	6	3	18	22	22
Vancouver	4	2	5	17	18	14
Los Angeles	4	3	3	15	14	9
San Jose	3	4	4	13	13	12
Portland	2	3	7	13	18	20
Chivas USA	2	5	4	10	13	20

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie

Saturday's Scores
Vancouver 2, Seattle FC 2; tie
Portland 2, New York 1
Columbus 2, Chicago 0
New England 2, D.C. United 1
Colorado 4, Montreal 1
Real Salt Lake 0, FC Dallas 0; tie
Sunday's Scores
Los Angeles 4, Philadelphia 1
San Jose 3, Houston 0
Tuesday's Game
New York at Sporting Kansas City, 7 p.m
Wednesday's Game
Portland at Chivas USA, 9:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Real Salt Lake at Seattle FC, 3 p.m.
Columbus at Toronto FC, 4 p.m.
Sporting Kansas City at D.C. United, 6 p.m
New England at Montreal, 6 p.m
San Jose at FC Dallas, 7:30 p.m
Philadelphia at Chivas USA, 9:30 p.m
Sunday, June 1
Los Angeles at Chicago, 3 p.m
Houston at Colorado, 7 p.m
Vancouver at Portland, 8 p.m

WNBA STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	4	1	.800	—
Atlanta	2	2	.500	1 1/2
New York	1	2	.333	2
Washington	1	2	.333	2
Connecticut	1	3	.250	2 1/2
Indiana	1	3	.250	2 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	5	0	1.000	—
Los Angeles	2	1	.667	2
Phoenix	2	1	.667	2
San Antonio	2	2	.500	2 1/2
Seattle	1	3	.250	3 1/2
Tulsa	0	2	.000	3 1/2

Sunday's Scores
Los Angeles 83, San Antonio 62
Indiana 82, Atlanta 77, OT
Monday's Score
Minnesota 75, Chicago 72
Today's Games
Seattle at New York, 6 p.m.
Wednesday's Game
Tulsa at San Antonio, 7 p.m

FIGHT SCHEDULE

May 30
At Moscow: Alexander Povetkin vs. Manuel Charr, 12, for the vacant WBC International heavyweight title

May 31
At Macao, Simpiwe Vetyeka vs. Nonito Donaire, 12, for Vetyeka's WBA Super World-IBO featherweight titles; Nicholas Walters vs. Alejandro Perez, 12, for Walters' WBA World featherweight title; Evgeny Gradovich vs. Alexander Mialochkan, 12, for Gradovich's IBF featherweight title; Chris Avelos vs. Yasutaka Ishimoto, 12, IBF junior featherweight eliminator

At Krefeld, Germany, Felix Sturm vs. Sam Soliman, 12, for Sturm's IBF middleweight title

At Wembley Stadium, London (HBO), Carl Froch vs. George Groves, 12, for Froch's IBF-WBA super middleweight title; Jamie McDonnell vs. Tomoki Kameda, 12, featherweight; James DeGale vs. Brandon Gonzales, 12, super middleweight

At Mexico City, Srisaket Sor Rungvisai vs. Carlos Cuadras, 12, for Rungvisai's WBC super flyweight title

At The Tropicana, Las Vegas, Javier Fortuna vs. Juan Antonio Rodriguez, 10, junior lightweights; Luis Rosa vs. Luis Del Valle, 10, junior featherweights

June 1
At Moscow, Dmitry Chudinov vs. Patrick Nielsen, 12, for Chudinov's interim WBA World middleweight title

June 5
At The House of Blues, Boston (FS1), Emmanuel Gonzalez vs. Tevin Farmer, 10, junior lightweights

June 6
At Buenos Aires, Argentina, Juan Carlos Reveco vs. Felix Alvarado, 12, for Reveco's WBA flyweight title

At Verona, N.Y. (ESPNU), Yudel Jhonson vs. Norberto Gonzalez, 10, junior middleweights; Johnny Garcia vs. John Williams, 10, junior welterweights

At Fantasy Springs Resort Casino, Indio, Calif. (SHO), Hugo Centeno Jr. vs. Domonique Dolton, 10, middleweights; Eddie Gomez vs. Francisco Santana, 10, junior middleweights

June 7
At Moscow, Richar Abril vs. Eduard Troyanovsky, 12, for Abril's WBA World lightweight title

At Schwerin, Germany, Juergen Braehmer vs. Roberto Bolonti, 12, for Braehmer's WBA World light heavyweight title

At Newcastle, England, Stuart Hall vs. Paul Buller, 12, for Hall's IBF bantamweight title

At Madison Square Garden, New York (PPV), Sergio Martinez vs. Miguel Cotto, 12, for Martinez's WBC middleweight title; Jorge Melendez vs. Yuri Foreman, 12, light middleweights; Wilfredo Vazquez Jr. vs. Marvin Sonsona, 10, featherweights; Andy Lee vs. John Jackson 10, middleweights

June 14
At Barclays Center, Brooklyn, N.Y. (HBO), Demetrius Andrade vs. Brian Rose, 12, for Andrade's WBO junior middleweight title; Ruslan Provodnikov vs. Chris Algieri, 12, for Provodnikov's WBO junior welterweight title

At Bally's, Atlantic City, N.J., Glen Tapia vs. Keenan Collins, 10, junior middleweights

June 18
At Bayamon, Puerto Rico (FS1), McWilliams Arroyo vs. Froilan Salazar, 12, IBF flyweight eliminator

June 21
At Monte Carlo, Martin Murray vs. Max Bursak, 10, middleweights; Hekkie Budler vs. Pigmy Muangchaiyaphum Kokietgym, 12, for Budler's WBO strawweight title; Mateusz Masternak vs. Ilunga Makabu, 12, for the vacant WBA interim cruiserweight title

At Wilkes-Barre, Pa. (NBCSN), Anatoly Dutchenko vs. Nadjib Mohammedi, 12, IBF light heavyweight eliminator

At Los Angeles, Yenyi Lomachenko vs. Gary Russell Jr., 12, for the vacant WBO featherweight title

At Stubhub Center, Carson, Calif. (SHO), Robert Guerrero vs. Yoshihiro Kamegai, 12, welterweights; Gary Russell Jr. vs. Yenyi Lomachenko, 12, for the WBO world featherweight title; Devon Alexander vs. Jesus Soto Karass, 10, super welterweights

RockHounds

From 1C

didn't look likely because Drillers starter Dan Winkler handcuffed the RockHounds for five innings. Winkler not only threw five scoreless innings but retired the first 10 batters he faced and struck out seven of the 18 total hitters he faced in the game and gave up one hit.

The only trouble he faced was in the fourth when Midland loaded the bases, but he worked out of the two-out jam by inducing Hiroyuki Nakajima to fly out to center.

The Drillers (27-23) staked Winkler to a 3-0 lead in the second inning, taking advantage of a Dusty Coleman error that could've ended the inning with a double play. Instead, the error loaded the bases and Jose Rivera ripped a double to left that scored three runs. Jared Simon scored on a close play at the plate, the first of two close plate plays in the game for the RockHounds.

Tulsa added two more in the fifth for a 5-0 lead.

But once Winkler, who entered the game with an impressive 1.46 earned run average, left the mound, the RockHounds began to chip away at that lead against the Drillers' bullpen.

Midland scored single runs in the sixth and seventh, and then an infield single by Forsythe started the three-run eighth. Whitaker's double drove in Forsythe and Billy Burns, and then Max Muncy scored pinch runner Chad Oberacker on a groundout to tie the game at 5.

The RockHounds lost for the third time in the last four games and all were by one run, but finding a way to have a chance to win provided some positives as they hit the road today for Springfield, Missouri.

"There's something special about this ball team," Midland manager Aaron Nieckula said. "The fact that even though we were down or we get down in ballgames, early, mid or late, we have a propensity to get ourselves back into it. There's a lot of positives to take away from this. I'm not one for moral victories, but in terms of development you look at the some of the positives that we have, and now it's about sustaining. If we can get a little more consistent on the offensive and defensive end, I think if you put it all together we can be a really good team."

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'HOUNDS BITES: The fifth inning featured one of those interesting scoring quirks in baseball. Ryan Casteel was caught stealing twice in the inning. He reached second on what was scored a caught stealing and an error, and then was caught trying to steal third base a few pitches later.... RockHounds first baseman Anthony Aliotti extended his on-base streak to 26 straight games on Monday afternoon after being hit by a pitch in the eighth inning. ... Midland fell to three games behind Frisco in the Texas League South Division standings after Monday's loss. Tulsa, meanwhile, leads the North Division by 2 1/2 games over Arkansas. There are 20 games remaining in the first half. ... Drew Granier will take the mound for the RockHounds today in the first game of a three-game series with Springfield. Granier is 2-1 with a 3.71 earned run average this season. ... The RockHounds boarded a pair of buses shortly after Monday's game for the 12-plus hour trip to Springfield today.

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Midland's Hiro Nakajima makes the tag on Tulsa's Jason Langfeis on a steal attempt Monday at Security Bank Ballpark.

Texas League
First half

North Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Tulsa	27	18	.540	—
Arkansas	24	25	.490	2 1/2
Frisco	23	27	.460	4
NW Arkansas	18	31	.367	8 1/2

South Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Frisco	30	20	.600	—
Midland	27	23	.540	3
Corpus Christi	26	24	.520	4
San Antonio	24	26	.480	6

Monday's Scores
Northwest Arkansas 5, Corpus Christi 3
Tulsa 6, Midland 5, 10 innings
Frisco 6, Springfield 2
San Antonio 8, Arkansas 0
Today's Games
Frisco at Tulsa, 7:05 p.m.
NW Arkansas at San Antonio, 7:05 p.m.
Arkansas at Corpus Christi, 7:10 p.m.
Midland at Springfield, 7:10 p.m.

DRILLERS 6, ROCKHOUNDS 5, 10 INNINGS

Tulsa	ab	r	h	bi	Midland	ab	r	h	bi
Featherston ss	5	0	0	0	Burns	4	2	1	0
Massey cf	4	1	1	1	Crumbliss lf	5	0	2	1
Casteel dh	5	0	2	0	Aliotti 1b	3	0	0	0
Humphries lf	4	0	2	1	Oberacker ph-rf	1	1	0	0
Garneau c	4	2	2	0	Whitaker rf-1b	4	0	1	2
Riggins 1b	4	1	1	1	Muncy dh	3	0	0	1
Langfeld 3b	5	0	3	0	Nakajima 2b	4	0	0	0
Simon rf	5	1	0	0	Head 3b	4	1	1	1
Rivera 2B	5	1	3	3	Coleman ss	4	0	0	0
					Forsythe 2b	4	1	1	0
Totals	41	6	14	6	Totals	36	5	6	5

Tulsa	000	000	000	6—6
Midland	000	001	100	0—5

E — Coleman (8), Aliotti (4), Arrowood (1).
LOB — Tulsa 9, Midland 5. 2B — Rivera 3 (5), Crumbliss (9), Massey (3), Langfeld (3), Whitaker (7), Burns (6), Riggins (7), HR — Head (6). SB — Burns (20), Langfeld (6), CS — Humphries (5), Langfeld (5), Casteel 2 (2). SF — Humphries.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Tulsa						
Winkler	5.0	1	0	0	2	7
Arrowood	2.0	1	2	1	1	1
Roberts	1.0	3	3	3	0	1
White W, 1-1	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Oberg S, 11	1.0	1	0	0	0	1
White Midland						
Werner	5.0	8	5	4	1	3
Dull	2.0	1	0	0	0	3
Hassebrock	1.0	0	0	0	2	0
Healy L, 0-1	2.0	4	1	1	2	0

WP — Winkler HBP — Dull, Hassebrock
(Games), by Roberts (Aliotti).
T — 3:12. A — 3,930.

HSBASEBALL/SOFTBALLPAIRINGS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

BASEBALL
CLASS 5A
*** If necessary**
Regional Semifinals
Southlake Carroll (W4, 30-4) vs. Flower Mound (R5, 26-10)
Game 1: Flower Mound 6, Carroll 4; Game 2: Carroll 4, Flower Mound 2; Game 3: Flower Mound 8, Carroll 7, Flower Mound wins series 2-1
Midland High (W2, 26-9) vs. Flower Mound Marcus (W5, 30-7), Concordia University, Austin
Game 1: FM Marcus 5, MHS 1; Game 2: MHS 5, FM Marcus 4; *Game 3: FM Marcus 11, MHS 0, 5 innings, Marcus wins series 2-1
Regional Final
Flower Mound (R5, 28-11) vs. Flower Mound Marcus (W5, 32-8), McKinney Boyd HS
Game 1: 7:30 p.m. Friday; Game 2: 1 p.m. Saturday; *Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 3

CLASS 4A
*** If necessary**
Regional Semifinals
Lubbock Monterey (W4, 30-8) vs. Cleburne (W4, 28-4)
Game 1: Monterey 5, Cleburne 1; Game 2: Cleburne 5, Monterey 2; *Game 3: Monterey 2, Cleburne 0, 11 innings, Monterey wins series 2-1
Wolfforth Frenship (R4, 31-7) vs. Aledo (T7, 28-6), Driggers Field, Abilene
Game 1: Aledo 5, Frenship 4, 8 innings; Game 2: Aledo 4, Frenship 2; Aledo wins series 2-0

Regional Final
Lubbock Monterey (W4, 32-9) vs. Aledo (T7, 30-6), Hardin-Simmons University's Hunter Field, Abilene
Game 1: 6 p.m. Thursday; Game 2: 7 p.m. Friday; *Game 3: 1 p.m. Saturday

CLASS 3A
*** If necessary**
Regional Semifinals
Lubbock Cooper (R2, 18-17) 8, Liberty Hill 2
Iowa Park (W5, 30-3) 6, Perryton 2
Regional Final
Lubbock Cooper (R2, 18-17) vs. Iowa Park (W5, 30-3), McMurry University's Driggers Field, Abilene
Game 1: 7:30 p.m. Wednesday; Game 2: 5 p.m. Friday; *Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2

CLASS 2A
*** If necessary**
Regional Semifinals
Idalou (W3, 27-3) vs. Holliday (W8, 28-2)
Game 1: Holliday 7, Idalou 3; Game 2: Idalou 9, Holliday 4; *Game 3: Idalou 4, Holliday 1, Idalou wins series 2-0
Bushland (W1, 25-2) vs. Wall (W6, 25-1), Lubbock Cooper HS
Game 1: Wall 8, Bushland 4; Game 2: Noon Saturday; *Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2
Regional Final
Idalou (W3, 29-4) vs. Wall (W6, 27-1), TBA

CLASS A
*** If necessary**

Regional Semifinals
Forsan (W2, 19-9) vs. Stamford (W6, 19-2), Hamlin HS
Game 1: Forsan 7, Stamford 5; Game 2: Stamford 12, Forsan 0; *Game 3: Stamford 18, Forsan 6, Stamford wins series 2-1.
Miles (R2, 21-10) vs. Anson (R8, 20-5)
Game 1: Anson 4, Miles 0; Game 2: Anson 16, Miles 0, Anson wins series 2-0.
Regional Final
Stamford (W6, 20-3) vs. Anson (R8, 22-5), McMurry University's Driggers Field, Abilene
Game 1: 7 p.m. Thursday; Game 2: Noon Saturday; *Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2

SOFTBALL
CLASS 5A
*** If necessary**
Regional Final
Mansfield Timberview (W7, 29-6) vs. Lubbock Coronado (W2, 37-4), ACU's Wells Field, Abilene
Game 1: Coronado 3, Timberview 1; Game 2: 5 p.m. Saturday; *Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2

CLASS 3A
*** If necessary**
Regional Final
Snyder (W4) vs. Pampa (W1, 33-7), Plainview HS
Game 1: Snyder 14, Pampa 2; Game 2: Snyder 14, Pampa 3. Snyder wins series 2-0

CLASS 2A
*** If necessary**
Regional Final
Hawley (W7, 33-0) vs. Bangs (W8)
Game 1: Hawley 7, Bangs 0; Game 2: Hawley 2, Bangs 1, Hawley wins series 2-0.

UIL STATE SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT
Red & Charline McCombs Field
Austin
Wednesday's Games
Class A Semifinals
Hubbard (29-6) vs. Harleton (29-8), 9 a.m.
Petrolia (27-5) vs. Weimar (22-8), Noon
Class 2A Semifinals
Hawley (36-0) vs. East Bernard (25-11), 3 p.m.
Crawford (33-1) vs. Lone Oak (26-5), 6 p.m.
Thursday's Games
Class 3A Semifinals
Snyder (36-5) vs. Van (30-5), 9 a.m.
La Grange (38-2) vs. Huffman Hargrave (30-5), Noon
Class A Final, 3 p.m.
Class 2A Final, 6 p.m.
Friday's Games
Class 4A Semifinals
Barbers Hill (32-0) vs. Ennis (37-5), 9 a.m.
Aledo (31-4) vs. Buda Hays (31-5), Noon
Class 5A Semifinals
Lubbock Coronado (36-4) vs. Deer Park (37-6), 3 p.m.
The Woodlands (38-3) vs. San Antonio Southwest (34-11), 6 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Class 3A Final, 10 a.m.
Class 4A Final, 1 p.m.
Class 5A Final, 4 p.m.

JUCOWORLDSERIES

FROM STAFF REPORTS

2013 ALPINE BANK JUCO WORLD SERIES
At Sam Suplizio Field, Grand Junction, Colo.
May 24-31
All times CDT
Today
First round
Game 1: Iowa Western 6, Columbia State (Tenn.) 5
Game 2: Midland College 10, Johnson County Community College (Kan.) 5
Game 3: Blinn Community College 7, Cochise (Ariz.) College 4
Game 4: Chatahoochee Valley (Ala.) Community College 8, Delgado Community College 6
Sunday
Loser's bracket
Game 5: Columbia State 12, Johnson County CC 2; Johnson County CC eliminated
Game 6: Cochise College 9, Delgado CC 5; Delgado CC eliminated
Second round
Game 7: Miami Dade vs. Spartanburg Methodist College, ppd.
Monday
Second round
Game 7: Miami Dade 8, Spartanburg Methodist College 3
Loser's bracket
Game 8: Columbia Sice 12, Cochise College 11, 12 innings; Cochise College eliminated
Winner's bracket second round
Game 9: Tarrant CC 10, Chatahoochee Valley CC 2, 8 innings
Game 10: Iowa Western 9, Midland College 0, 7 innings
Tuesday
Loser's bracket
Game 11: Spartanburg Methodist College (46-17) vs. Chatahoochee Valley CC (48-10), noon
Game 12: Columbia State (46-12) vs. Midland College (41-24), 4 p.m
Winner's bracket quarterfinal
Game 13: Blinn CC (36-26) vs. Miami Dade (36-25), 8:30 p.m.
Wednesday
Loser's bracket
Game 14: Game 11 winner vs. Game 13 loser, 4 p.m.
Winner's bracket quarterfinal
Game 15: Iowa Western (53-11) vs. Game 13 winner 8:30 p.m.
Thursday
Loser's bracket final
Game 16: Game 14 winner vs. Game 15 loser, 4 p.m.
Winner's bracket semifinal
Game 17: Game 15 winner vs. Game 12 winner, 8:30 p.m.
Friday
Championship
Game 18: Game 17 winner vs. Game 16 winner, 6 p.m.
If necessary game
*Game 19: Game 18 winner vs. bye
If three teams remain at Game 18, the team with most games played receives bye to Game 19. In case of tie for games played, a coin toss will determine the bye

Hunter-Reay gets $2.4 million for winning Indy

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Ryan Hunter-Reay's narrow Indianapolis 500 win brought him a $2.49 million payday.

The overall purse was $14.23 million. The winnings were announced Monday night.

Hunter-Reay edged Helio Castroneves by 0.060 seconds Sunday in the second-closest margin of victory in the history of the race. He became the first American to win the Indy 500 since Sam Hornish Jr. in 2006.

"I'm a proud American boy, that's for sure," he said in Victory Lane after the race.

Hunter-Reay recorded a 220.927 mph final lap to Castroneves' 220.729 mph, preventing the Brazilian from joining A.J. Foyt, Al Unser and Rick Mears as a four-time winner.

Hunter-Reay topped all other drivers by leading nine times for 56 laps after starting 19th. The last time a driver led the most laps in the race from such a low starting position was in 1975, when Wally Dallenbach led 96 laps after starting from the 21st position.

Castroneves earned $785,194 for his runner-up finish.

Marco Andretti finished third, Carlos Munoz was fourth and Kurt Busch was sixth as Andretti Autosports captured four of the top six positions. Andretti earned $585,194 and Munoz won $449,194. Busch's $423,889 paycheck included a $25,000 top-rookie bonus.

Juan Pablo Montoya finished fifth in his return to the Indianapolis 500 for the first time since winning his only other start in 2000. He collected $441,944.

Pole sitter Ed Carpenter, who finished 27th after a crash, received $463,694, including the $100,000 pole award.

INDY 500 RESULTS

Sunday
At Indianapolis Motor Speedway
Indianapolis, Ind.
Lap length: 2.5 miles
(Starting position in parentheses)

1. (19) Ryan Hunter-Reay, Dallara-Honda, 200, Running, $2,491,194.
2. (4) Helio Castroneves, Dallara-Chevrolet, 200, Running, $785,194.
3. (6) Marco Andretti, Dallara-Honda, 200, Running, $585,194.
4. (7) Carlos Munoz, Dallara-Honda, 200, Running, $449,194.
5. (10) Juan Pablo Montoya, Dallara-Chevrolet, 200, Running, $441,944.
6. (12) Kurt Busch, Dallara-Honda, 200, Running, $423,889.
7. (17) Sebastian Bourdais, Dallara-Chevrolet, 200, Running, $384,194.
8. (5) Will Power, Dallara-Chevrolet, 200, Running, $442,194.
9. (31) Sage Karam, Dallara-Chevrolet, 200, Running, $270,305.
10. (9) J.R. Hildebrand, Dallara-Chevrolet, 200, Running, $366,194.
11. (18) Oriol Servia, Dallara-Honda, 200, Running, $247,305.
12. (5) Simon Pagenaud, Dallara-Honda, 200, Running, $374,444.
13. (24) Alex Tagliani, Dallara-Honda, 200, Running, $369,694.
14. (27) Jacques Villeneuve, Dallara-Honda, 200, Running, $354,194.
15. (32) Sebastian Saavedra, Dallara-Chevrolet, 200, Running, $349,194.
16. (28) James Davison, Dallara-Chevrolet, 200, Running, $341,194.
17. (21) Carlos Huertas, Dallara-Honda, 200, Running, $339,694.
18. (30) Ryan Briscoe, Dallara-Chevrolet, 200, Running, $344,444.
19. (23) Takuma Sato, Dallara-Honda, 200, Running, $342,444.
20. (13) Jack Hawksworth, Dallara-Honda, 200, Running, $340,194.
21. (15) Mikhail Aleshin, Dallara-Honda, 199, Running, $340,194.
22. (14) Justin Wilson, Dallara-Honda, 198, Running, $339,194.
23. (29) Martin Plowman, Dallara-Honda, 196, Running, $225,805.
24. (22) Pippa Mann, Dallara-Honda, 193, Running, $228,805.
25. (25) Townsend Bell, Dallara-Chevrolet, *190, Contact, $226,805.
26. (16) Tony Kanaan, Dallara-Chevrolet, 177, Running, $343,194.
27. (1) Ed Carpenter, Dallara-Chevrolet, 175, Contact, $463,694.
28. (2) James Hinchcliffe, Dallara-Honda, 175, Contact, $278,194.
29. (11) Scott Dixon, Dallara-Chevrolet, 167, Contact, $390,694.
30. (8) Josef Newgarden, Dallara-Honda, 156, Contact, $344,194.
31. (26) Charlie Kimball, Dallara-Chevrolet, 149, Contact, $341,194.
32. (33) Buddy Lazier, Dallara-Chevrolet, 87, Mechanical, $225,305.
33. (20) Graham Rahal, Dallara-Honda, 44, Electrical, $341,194.

Race Statistics
Winners average speed: 186.563.
Time of Race: 2:40:48.2305.
Margin of Victory: 0.0600 seconds.
Cautions: 5 for 21 laps.
Lead Changes: 34 among 11 drivers.
Lap Leaders: Hinchcliffe 1-9, Carpenter 10-28, Hinchcliffe 29, Power 30, Kanaan 31, Aleshin 32, Hinchcliffe 33-36, Power 37-57, Andretti 58-61, Castroneves 62, Dixon 63, Montoya 64-68, Castroneves 67-91, Carpenter 92-93, Dixon 94, Montoya 95-99, Hunter-Reay 100-107, Castroneves 108-117, Hunter-Reay 118-123, Dixon 124, Montoya 125-132, Hunter-Reay 133-138, Andretti 139-153, Carpenter 154-157, Hunter-Reay 158-162, Carpenter 163, Hunter-Reay 164-170, Tagliani 171-173, Hunter-Reay 174-181, Andretti 182, Hunter-Reay 183-184, Castroneves 185, Hunter-Reay 186-195, Castroneves 196, Hunter-Reay 197-200.
Points: Hunter-Reay 274, Power 234, Castroneves 203, Pagenaud 211, Andretti 192, Munoz 180, Montoya 173, Bourdais 143, Dixon 132, Wilson 123.

Heat take command of East finals

By Tim Reynolds
Associated Press

Heat 102
Pacers 90
Miami leads series, 3-1

MIAMI — LeBron James had 32 points and 10 rebounds, Chris Bosh added 25 points and the Miami Heat moved one win away from a return trip to the NBA Finals with a 102-90 win over the Indiana Pacers on Monday night.

Dwyane Wade scored 15 points for the Heat, who have won three of the first four games in the Eastern Conference finals. They can win the East for a fourth straight season with a win at Indiana on Wednesday night.

Miami led wire-to-wire, opening up as much as a 23-point lead in the final quarter.

Paul George scored 23 points and David West added 20 points and 12 rebounds for the Pacers, who got 15 points from George Hill. But Lance Stephenson was held to nine and Roy Hibbert was scoreless in 22 minutes for Indiana.

The Pacers won two elimination games in the first round against Atlanta, and need to win three more if their yearlong plan of topping Miami as kings of the East is going to become reality.

The odds are obviously stacked against them. When holding a 3-1 lead, Miami is 8-0 in Game 5s over the past four postseasons.

Much as he did Sunday, Indiana coach Frank Vogel used the big brother-little brother analogy with his team, trying any way to urge the Pacers to break through against the team that has ended their season in each of the past two years.

"He's got to make a decision at some point in his life, that no matter what, we're not going to lose this fight anymore," Vogel said, likening the Pacers to the little brother in that scenario. "We're at that point."

The fight isn't over.

But it was awfully one-sided for long stretches of Game 4.

Miami outscored Indiana 31-20 in the third quarter and increased the lead to 23 in the fourth before the Pacers used a 15-3 run to make things rather interesting. Stephenson had a layup with 3:20 left that would have gotten Indiana within nine — but it was waved off after he was called for fouling Wade on his way to the basket.

Stephenson scored with 1:31 left to make it 99-90, but James snuffed out any comeback hopes right there. His three-point play nine seconds later pushed the lead back to 12, and the Heat were moments away from a 3-1 lead.

Miami was without Chris Andersen, inactive because of a bruised left thigh. The Heat also tweaked their starting lineup, with Rashard Lewis in and Udonis Haslem out.

Bosh scored the game's first eight points, making a pair of 3-pointers and ending a series-long funk. He had scored exactly nine points in each of the first three games of these East finals and was held under 10 points in each of his last seven playoff games against Indiana.

But he came out flying, and probably not coincidentally, the Heat finally had a good start.

They won the first quarter for the first time in the series, going up 27-19 and helped in part by a late 3-pointer from Shane Battier — with replays showing Vogel moved down the sideline toward the Heat forward as he shot from near the Indiana bench.

Nothing was to Indiana's liking. Hibbert and Stephenson combined for zero points and six fouls in the half. The Heat didn't have a turnover until the second quarter. Miami shot 10 more free throws in the half. Bosh and James combined for 32 points.

MLBROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

ASTROS 5
ROYALS 2

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — George Springer homered in his fourth straight game and went 4 for 4 with three RBIs and scored five runs in Houston's victory over Kansas City.

The Astros have won three straight, matching their longest winning streak this season, and snapped a six-game losing streak to the Royals.

Springer led off the eighth with a home run off Louis Coleman, his fifth homer in four games. He is the first Houston rookie to homer in four straight games. Lance Berkman was the last Astro to homer in four straight games, July 4-8, 2010.

Springer also had two doubles and became the first Astro to score five runs in a game since Cody Ransom on Sept. 24, 2007, against St. Louis. Springer extended his hitting streak to eight games, and is 8 for 16 with 11 RBI and 10 runs in the past five games.

Scott Feldman (3-2) held the Royals to two runs and eight hits over six innings.

Royals rookie starter Yordano Ventura was led off the field by a trainer in the third inning after experiencing discomfort in his elbow. The hard-throwing right-hander is scheduled for a MRI on Tuesday.

Ventura (2-5) went 2 2/3 innings, allowing five runs and seven hits and three walks.

BLUE JAYS 10
RAYS 5

TORONTO — Edwin Encarnacion hit his 13th home run in May, Dioner Navarro and Steve Tolleson added back-to-back shots and the Toronto Blue Jays won their seventh straight game Monday, beating the Tampa Bay Rays 10-5.

Melky Cabrera had three hits and three RBI as the AL East-leading Blue Jays won for the 12th time in 14 games.

Toronto has hit at least one home run in nine straight games and leads the majors with 73 this season, including an ML-best 41 in May.

David DeJesus, Desmond Jennings and James Loney all hit solo homers for the Rays, whose season-high four-game winning streak was snapped.

Drew Hutchison wasn't at his best, but benefited from strong run support to win his career-best third straight start.

Hutchison (4-3) allowed five runs and seven hits in five innings, matched a season-worst with four walks and struck out none.

ATHLETICS 10
TIGERS 0

OAKLAND, Calif. — Kyle Blanks homered in his home debut at the Coliseum and Derek Norris capped Oakland's five-homer day with a grand slam and the Athletics snapped a season-long four-game losing streak with a win over Detroit.

Yoenis Cespedes, Brandon Moss and Josh Donaldson also hit homers.

Tommy Milone (3-3) allowed four hits in 6 2-3 scoreless innings. He is 3-0 with a 1.03 ERA in his past four starts.

MARINERS 5
ANGELS 1

SEATTLE — Chris Young pitched shutout ball until Albert Pujols homered in the seventh inning, Robinson Cano had three hits and two RBIs to raise his average to .332, and the Seattle Mariners beat the Los Angeles Angels.

Young (4-2) kept the Angels hitless until Kole Calhoun singled with one out in the sixth. An inning later, Pujols hit his 506th career home run, pulling within three of Gary Sheffield for 24th on baseball's all-time homer list.

WHITE SOX 6
INDIANS 2

CHICAGO — Conor Gillaspie hit three doubles while going 4 for 4, Dayan Viciedo had a three-run homer and the Chicago White Sox beat Cleveland.

Gillaspie scored twice and drove in a run. He became the first White Sox player with three doubles in a game since Paul Konerko on May 26, 2012, against the Indians.

National League

DODGERS 4
REDS 3

LOS ANGELES — Hyun-Jin Ryu took a perfect game into the eighth inning — one day after teammate Josh Beckett threw a no-hitter — and Los Angeles held on to beat Cincinnati.

The Reds hit only three balls out of the infield before Todd Frazier's leadoff double in the eighth. That followed a three-run seventh by the Dodgers in which Ryu ran the bases and scored.

CUBS 8
GIANTS 4

SAN FRANCISCO — Jeff Samardzija struck out a season-high 10 for his first win since last August, snapping a 16-start winless streak for Chicago.

Samardzija (1-4) allowed six hits and walked none in seven-plus innings. He also had an RBI double during a three-run fourth.

PIRATES 5
METS 3

NEW YORK — Gaby Sanchez tagged the Mets again, hitting a tiebreaking single in the ninth inning and a pinch-hit homer in the eighth that sparked Pittsburgh's come-from-behind victory.

The Mets announced after the game that they had fired hitting coach Dave Hudgens. They also cut reliever Jose Valverde, who gave up Sanchez's go-ahead hit.

MARLINS 3
NATIONALS 2

WASHINGTON — Giancarlo Stanton hit his NL-leading 15th home run and also doubled and singled in his latest power performance for Miami at Nationals Park.

Stanton doubled and scored in the first inning, then launched a long two-run homer in the third.

PHILLIES 9
ROCKIES 0

PHILADELPHIA — Ryan Howard had five RBI and Kyle Kendrick pitched into the seventh inning to snap his 10-game losing streak for Philadelphia.

A day after Dodgers right-hander Josh Beckett threw a no-hitter against the Phillies, leadoff man Ben Revere started with a single for the first of Philadelphia's 12 hits.

DIAMONDBACKS 7
PADRES 5

PHOENIX — A.J. Pollock hit a two-run homer on the first pitch he saw with two outs in the ninth inning to give Arizona a victory over San Diego.

Cliff Pennington was hit by a pitch and pinch-hitter Eric Chavez hit into a fielder's choice ahead of Pollock's shot to center off Kevin Quackenbush (0-1).

Interleague

RED SOX 8
BRAVES 6

ATLANTA — David Ortiz homered and drove in four runs as the Boston Red Sox ended their 10-game losing streak, rallying from a five-run deficit to defeat the Atlanta Braves 8-6 Monday.

The defending World Series champions trailed 6-1 after the fourth inning of the interleague matchup, with starter Clay Buchholz walking a career-high eight in only three-plus innings.

YANKEES 6,
CARDINALS 4, 12 INNINGS

ST. LOUIS — Brian Roberts hit a tiebreaking single in a three-run 12th inning after Brett Gardner's leaping catch at the left-field fence kept New York alive in the 11th.

Pinch-hitter Alfonso Soriano and Brendan Ryan each added an RBI for the Yankees, who took the opener of a three-game interleague series for their third straight win. Alfredo Aceves (1-2) worked two scoreless innings and David Robertson earned his 11th save in 12 chances.

ORIOLES 7, BREWERS 6,
10 INNINGS

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Jonathan Schoop hit two home runs and newly acquired Nick Hundley singled in the go-ahead run in the 10th inning to lift Baltimore to victory in the interleague contest.

Down 6-4 with two outs in the ninth, the Orioles rallied off Milwaukee closer Francisco Rodriguez. Schoop's second homer cut it to one. After pinch-hitter Delmon Young singled, Nick Markakis hit a game-tying double

MLB STANDINGS, BOXES AND LINESCORES

STANDINGS
AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	30	22	.577	—
New York	27	23	.540	2
Baltimore	26	23	.531	2 1/2
Tampa Bay	23	29	.442	7
Boston	21	29	.420	8
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	28	19	.596	—
Chicago	26	27	.491	5
Kansas City	24	26	.480	5 1/2
Minnesota	23	25	.479	5 1/2
Cleveland	24	28	.462	6 1/2
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	31	20	.608	—
Los Angeles	28	22	.560	2 1/2
Texas	26	25	.510	5
Seattle	25	25	.500	5 1/2
Houston	20	32	.385	11 1/2

Monday's Scores
Boston 8, Atlanta 6
Baltimore 7, Milwaukee 6, 10 innings
Chicago White Sox 6, Cleveland 2
Texas 7, Minnesota 2
Oakland 10, Detroit 0
Seattle 5, L.A. Angels 1
N.Y. Yankees 6, St. Louis 4, 12 innings
Toronto 10, Tampa Bay 5
Houston 9, Kansas City 2

Today's Games
Tampa Bay (Cobb 1-1) at Toronto (Buehrle 8-1), 6:07 p.m.
Boston (Lester 4-6) at Atlanta (Harang 4-4), 6:10 p.m.
Baltimore (W.Chen 5-2) at Milwaukee (Garza 2-4), 7:10 p.m.
Cleveland (Masterson 2-3) at Chicago White Sox (Sale 4-0), 7:10 p.m.
Houston (McHugh 2-3) at Kansas City (Guthrie 2-3), 7:10 p.m.
Texas (Darvish 4-2) at Minnesota (P.Hughes 5-1), 7:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Phelps 1-1) at St. Louis (Lynn 5-2), 7:15 p.m.
Detroit (Scherzer 6-1) at Oakland (Gray 5-1), 9:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Weaver 5-3) at Seattle (Elias 3-3), 9:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	28	22	.560	—
Miami	27	25	.519	2
Washington	25	26	.490	3 1/2
Philadelphia	22	26	.458	5
New York	22	28	.440	6
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	30	22	.577	—
St. Louis	28	23	.549	1 1/2
Pittsburgh	23	27	.460	6
Cincinnati	22	27	.449	6 1/2
Chicago	19	30	.388	9 1/2
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	32	19	.627	—
Los Angeles	28	24	.538	4 1/2
Colorado	27	24	.529	5
San Diego	23	29	.442	9 1/2
Arizona	21	32	.396	12

Monday's Scores
Boston 8, Atlanta 6
Pittsburgh 5, N.Y. Mets 3
Miami 3, Washington 2
Baltimore 7, Milwaukee 6, 10 innings
Chicago Cubs 8, San Francisco 4
N.Y. Yankees 6, St. Louis 4, 12 innings
Philadelphia 9, Colorado 0
L.A. Dodgers 4, Cincinnati 3
Arizona 7, San Diego 5

Today's Games
Colorado (J.De La Rosa 5-3) at Philadelphia (Hamels 1-2), 6:05 p.m.
Miami (H.Alvarez 2-3) at Washington (Treinen 0-2), 6:05 p.m.
Boston (Lester 4-6) at Atlanta (Harang 4-4), 6:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Vólquez 2-4) at N.Y. Mets (Niese 3-3), 6:10 p.m.
Baltimore (W.Chen 5-2) at Milwaukee (Garza 2-4), 7:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Phelps 1-1) at St. Louis (Lynn 5-2), 7:15 p.m.
San Diego (Stults 2-5) at Arizona (Miley 1-5), 8:40 p.m.
Cincinnati (Simon 6-2) at L.A. Dodgers (Greinke 7-1), 9:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Arrieta 1-0) at San Francisco (Hudson 4-2), 9:15 p.m.

MONDAY'S AL WEST BOXES
RANGERS 7, TWINS 2

Texas	ab	r	h	bi
Choo dh	5	1	1	0
Andrus ss	5	1	3	2
Morlnd 1b	5	0	0	0
ABeltre 3b	4	0	0	0
Rios rf	3	2	2	0
Gimenez c	4	2	2	2
LMartin cf	4	0	1	1
Choice lf	4	0	1	0
Odor 2b	4	1	1	4
Totals	38	7	11	6

Minnesota	ab	r	h	bi
Dozier 2b	4	0	1	0
Mauer 1b	4	0	1	0
Plouffe 3b	4	1	1	0
Arcia rf	4	0	0	0
Wnghr rf	0	0	0	0
Kubel dh	3	0	0	0
Nunez ss	3	0	0	0
KSuzuki c	4	0	1	0
A.Hicks cf	4	0	1	0
EEscorr ss	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	2	6	2

Texas					020	020	030	—	7
Minnesota					110	000	000	—	2

E—Correia (3). LOB—Texas 5, Minnesota 6. 2B—Andrus (13), Rios (12), Gimenez (2), Choice (3). Arcia (1). E.Escobar (15). HR—Plouffe (4). SB—Andrus (13), Rios (9).

Texas	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Tepesch W,2-0	6 2/3	2	0	0	4	
Frasor	1	1	0	0	0	1
Cotts	1 1/3	3	2	2	0	1
Minnesota						
Correia L,2-6	7	7	4	4	3	5
Burton	1	3	3	3	0	0
Duensing	1	1	0	0	0	0

HBP—by Tepesch (Willingham).
T—2:52. A—30,571 (39,021).

ASTROS 9, ROYALS 2

Houston	ab	r	h	bi
Altuve 2b	5	2	1	0
Villar ss	0	0	0	0
Springr rf	4	5	4	3
Fowler cf	2	0	2	1
JCastro c	5	0	2	2
MDmn 3b	4	0	0	1
Krauss 1b	5	0	0	0
Grssmn lf	5	0	0	0
Presley dh	5	1	3	0
MGnzlz ss-2b	5	1	4	1
Totals	40	9	16	8

Houston									
Houston					230	111	010	—	9
Kansas City					000	101	000	—	2

DP—Houston 1, Kansas City 2. LOB—Houston 10, Kansas City 9. 2B—Springer 2 (6), Presley (3), Ma.Gonzalez (3), Infante (4), B.Butler (9). HR—Springer (8). SB—L.Cain (6), SF—M.Dominguez.

Houston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Feldman W,3-2	6	8	2	2	1	0
Sipp	1	0	0	0	0	1
Fields	1	0	0	0	0	1
Williams	1	2	0	0	0	1
Kansas City						
Ventura L,2-5	2 2/3	7	5	5	3	1
Marlot	3 1/3	6	3	3	1	2
L.Coleman	3	3	1	1	1	1

HBP—by Feldman (A.Gordon). Balk—Marlot.

T—3:23. A—32,070 (37,903).

ATHLETICS 10, TIGERS 0

Detroit	ab	r	h	bi
RDavis lf	4	0	0	0
Aurilia ss	4	0	0	0
McCann 1b	4	0	0	0
JWrtmy dh	4	0	0	0
Trahan rf	4	0	0	0
Castins 3b	4	0	0	0
Hicks cf	4	0	0	0
AnRmrez ss	3	0	1	0
Grentry rf	1	0	0	0
Totals	36	0	1	0

Oakland	ab	r	h	bi
Crisp cf	5	1	1	0
Dnldson 3b	5	1	2	1
Cespedes lf	5	1	2	1
Lowrie ss	5	0	1	0
Moss dh	4	1	1	2
Callaspo 2b	4	1	1	0
Norris c	4	1	1	4
Gentry rf	1	0	0	0
Totals	36	10	11	10

Detroit									
Oakland					000	000	000	—	0
Oakland					022	200	04x	—	10

E—An.Romine (4), Hunter (3), Castellanos (1), Lowrie (6). LOB—Detroit 8, Oakland 7. 2B—M.Cabrera (18), An.Romine (2). HR—D.Norris (5), Donaldson (12), Cespedes (1), Moss (1), Barnes (1). SF—Crisp.

Detroit	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Smyly L,2-3	4	8	6	6	1	3
Krehbiel	1	1	0	0	0	1
Coke	1	2	4	4	1	1
Oakland						
Milone W,4-1	6 2/3	4	1	1	4	5
Otero	1	0	0	0	0	1
Doolittle	1	1	0	0	0	2

T—2:53. A—15,063 (35,067).

MARINERS 5, ANGELS 1

Los Angeles	ab	r	h	bi
Hunter cf	4	0	0	0
Trout cf	4	0	1	0
Pujols 1b	4	1	1	1
Trumbo dh	4	0	0	0
Calhoun rf	4	0	1	0
Aybar ss	3	0	0	0
Cron lf	3	0	0	0
Cowgill 3b	3	0	0	0
Lannetta c	3	0	0	0
Totals	31	1	3	1

Seattle	ab	r	h	bi
Ackley 2b	4	0	1	0
Franklin ss	4	0	0	0
Seager 3b	4	0	1	0
Morrison dh	4	0	0	0
Cano 2b	4	1	3	0
Smoak 1b	4	1	1	1
Zunino c	4	1	1	1
Ibanez rf	3	1	1	1
Miller lf	3	0	0	0
Totals	30	5	7	4

Los Angeles									
Los Angeles					000	000	100	—	1
Seattle					230	000	00x	—	5

E—Aybar (4). DP—Los Angeles 1, Seattle 1. LOB—Los Angeles 3, Seattle 5. 3B—M.Saunders (3). HR—Pujols (14), SB—J.Jones (4), Ackley (2).

Los Angeles	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Skaggs L,4-2	4	5	3	3	3	4
Kohn	3	2	2	2	0	3
Seattle						
C.Young W,4-2	6 1/3	2	1	1	1	7
Furbush	1	1	0	0	0	1
Farquhar	1	0	0	0	0	1
Rodney	1	0	0	0	0	1

WP—Kohn.
T—2:40. A—12,110 (47,476).

MONDAY'S LINESCORES
AMERICAN LEAGUE

Cleveland	.001	001	000	—2	8	1
Chicago	.003	002	10x	—6	9	1

Tomlin, Outman (6), Shaw (6), Rzepczynski (7), Carrasco (7) and Y.Gomes; Quintana, Petricka (7), Putnam (8), S.Downs (8) and Flowers. Nerf. W—Quintana 3-4. L—Tomlin 3-2. Sv—S.Downs (1). HRs—Chicago, Viciedo (5).

BLUE JAYS 10, RAYS 5

Tampa Bay	.002	030	000	—5	10	1
Toronto	.200	341	00x	—10	15	0

Bedard, Colome (5) and Hanigan; J.Molina, Hutchison, Loup (6), Redmond (8), Rasmussen (9) and D.Navarro. W—Hutchison 4-3. L—Bedard 2-3. HRs—Tampa Bay, DeJesus (5); DeJennings (5), Loney (2). Toronto, D.Navarro (2), St.Tolleson (2), Encarnacion (15).

INTERLEAGUE
RED SOX 8, BRAVES 6

Boston	.001	050	200	—8	7	0
Atlanta	.000	300	000	—6	8	0

Buchholz, Badenhop (4), Capuano (5), Mujica (8), Tazawa (9), A.Miller (8), Uehara (9) and Pierzynski; E.Santana, A.Wood (6), Thomas (7), Avilan (7), D.Carpenter (8), Haac (9) and Laird. W—Mujica 2-1. L—Thomas 1-2. Sv—Uehara (10). HRs—Boston, D.Ortiz (12).

ORIOLES 7, BREWERS 6, 10 INNINGS

Baltimore	.003	000	102	1	—7	14	1
Milwaukee	101	202	000	0	—6	11	0

Tillman, R.Webb (6), Brach (7), O.Day (9), Z.Britton (10) and Hundley; Lohse, Kintzler (8), K.Rodriguez (9), Wooten (10) and Lucroy. Markkanen. W—O.Day 2-0. L—Wooten 1-2. Sv—Z.Britton (1). HRs—Baltimore, Schoop 2 (5). Milwaukee, K.Davis (7), Overbay (1).

YANKEES 6, CARDINALS 4, 12 INNINGS

New York	.100	020	000	003	—6	7	1
St. Louis	.100	002	000	001	—4	10	0

Whitley, Claiborne (6), Thornton (7), Betancourt (8), Aceves (10), Dav.Robertson (12) and McCann; Wacha, J.Martinez (8), Rosenthal (9), Neshek (10), Choate (11), Motte (12) and J.Molina. W—Aceves 1-2. L—Choate 0-2. Sv—Dav.Robertson (11).

NATIONAL LEAGUE
PIRATES 5, METS 3

Pittsburgh	.000	000	023	—5	12	3
New York	.000	020	001	—3	8	1

Liriano, Hughes (7), Watson (8), Melancon (9) and R.Martin; deGrom, Familia (7), Rice (8), Gilmartin (8), Torres (9) and Centeno. W—Watson 1-0. L—Familia. Sv—Melancon (1). HRs—Pittsburgh, D.Sanchez (1). New York, Duda (1).

MARLINS 3, NATIONALS 2

Miami	.102	000	000	—3	7	1
Washington	.000	002	000	—2	3	0

Fernandez, M.Dunn, A.Ramos (8), Cishek (9) and Saltalamacchia; Roark, Clippard (8), Barrios, R.Soriano, W.Ramos, W.Davis (9), J.Lopez, Roark, Detwiler (10). HRs—Miami, Stanton (15). Washington, Werth (4).

CUBS 8, GIANTS 4

Chicago	.001	032	200	—8	13	1
San Francisco	.100	200	100	—4	6	2

Samardzija, Grimm (8), N.Ramirez (9) and Castillo; Vogelsong, Kontos (7), Lopez (8), Romero (9) and H.Sanchez. W—Samardzija 1-4. L—Romero. HRs—Chicago, Schierholtz (1). San Francisco, Sandoval (7).

PHILLIES 9, ROCKIES 0

Colorado	.000	000	000	—0	7	1
Philadelphia	.000	112	50x	—9	12	0

Chacin, Kahnle (6), Masset (7), Brothers (7), Ottavino (8) and Rosario; K.Kendrick, M.Adams, J.Badenhop (8), De Fratus (9) and Ruiz. W—K.Kendrick 1-5. L—Chacin 0-4. HRs—Philadelphia, Howard (8), Mayberry (2).

DODGERS 4, REDS 3

Cincinnati	.000	000	030	—3	5	2
Los Angeles	.001	000	30x	—4	5	0

Leake, M.Parra (7), Broxton (8) and B.Pena; Maholm, Ryu, B.Wilson (8), Jansen (8) and Butera. W—Ryu 5-2. L—Leake 4-4. Sv—Jansen (15).

DIAMONDBACKS 7, PADRES 5

San Diego	.000	040	100	—5	12	1
Arizona	.020	003	002	—7	10	1

T.Ross, Vincent (6), Thayer (7), Benoit (8), Quackenbush (9) and Rivera; McCarthy, Thatcher (7), Zeigler (8) and M.Montero. W—Zeigler 1-1. L—Quackenbush 0-1. HRs—San Diego, Alonso (3). E.Cabrera (3). Arizona, Pollock (6).

LA Kings beat Chicago to take 3-1 series lead

By Greg Beacham
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Kings 5
Blackhawks 2
Los Angeles leads series, 3-1

LOS ANGELES — Jake Muzzin, Marian Gaborik and captain Dustin Brown scored in a dominant first period, and the Los Angeles Kings beat the Chicago Blackhawks 5-2 Monday night to take a 3-1 lead in the Western Conference final.

Muzzin and Drew Doughty each had a goal and an assist, and Jonathan Quick made 22 saves as the Kings moved to the brink of their second trip to the Stanley Cup Final in three seasons with their third straight win over the defending champion Blackhawks.

Brandon Saad and Bryan Bickell scored and Corey Crawford stopped 16 shots for the Blackhawks, who didn't get rolling until they trailed 4-0 late in the second period.

One year after Los Angeles lost the conference finals in five games to Chicago, the Kings have their own chance to close it out in five.

Game 5 is Wednesday in Chicago.

NHL PLAYOFF GLANCE

CONFERENCE FINALS
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
N.Y. Rangers 3, Montreal 1
Saturday, May 17: N.Y. Rangers 7, Montreal 2
Monday, May 19: NY Rangers 3, Montreal 1
Thursday, May 22: Montreal 3, NY Rangers 2, OT
Sunday, May 25: NY Rangers 3, Montreal 2, OT
Today: NY Rangers at Montreal, 7 p.m.
x-Thursday, May 29: Montreal at NY Rangers, 7 p.m.
x-Saturday, May 31: NY Rangers at Montreal, 7 p.m.

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Los Angeles 3, Chicago 1
Sunday, May 18: Chicago 3, Los Angeles 1
Wednesday, May 21: Los Angeles 6, Chicago 2
Saturday, May 24: Los Angeles 4, Chicago 3
Monday: Los Angeles 5, Chicago 2
Wednesday, May 28: Los Angeles at Chicago, 7 p.m.
x-Friday, May 30: Chicago at Los Angeles, 8 p.m.
x-Sunday, June 1: Los Angeles at Chicago, 7 p.m.

RANGERS

From 1C

it's a world of difference."

Gimenez made it 6-2 with a two-run double down the line in left in the eighth off reliever Jared Burton and Texas was on its way to another win.

"We just got off to a bad start," Texas manager Ron Washington said. "I'm so happy that we're finally putting it together as a group."

Minnesota had its opening day outfield back together for the first time since the first week of the season. Josh Willingham and Oswaldo Arcia were activated from the disabled list after Sunday's game and started alongside center-fielder Aaron Hicks.

But the re-enforcements weren't enough to overcome Tepesch, who didn't allow a runner past second base after the second inning.

Twins manager Ron Gardenhire knows it might take a few more at-bats before Willingham and Arcia are able to help lift Minnesota's struggling offense.

"That can be a huge part of it, driving the baseball and let them get a few at-bats here," Gardenhire said. "It takes a little time, a little different pitching up here than down there."

Tepesch dominated Triple-A Round Rock after getting demoted in spring training and has a 2.95 ERA in three big-league starts since being recalled May 14.

"He's shown these three starts what he's capable of doing," Washington said. "But you can't hang your hat on a couple of outings. If he's around here healthy, he's going to get many outings. I just want him to be consistent."

Hicks, a career switch-hitter, informed manager Ron Gardenhire before the game that he has decided to only hit from the right side. The struggling prospect is hitting .250 right-handed compared to .149 from the left side.

He had two singles Monday.

Two replay reviews went against the Twins. Arcia slided into third after a botched play in the outfield in the first, but a review showed third-baseman Adrian Beltre tagging him before his foot reached the base.

Gardenhire challenged an out call at first on Willingham's dribbler down the line in the sixth, but the call stood.

Oregon St. No. 1 seed for NCAA baseball tournament

By Eric Olson
Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — Oregon State has proved itself as the best in the West. The NCAA Division I Baseball Committee also thinks the Beavers are best in the nation.

The committee on Monday made the Pac-12 champions the top seed for the NCAA tournament over SEC regular-season winner Florida and a Virginia team that's been one of the most consistent in the nation but failed to win an ACC title.

"I thought if you took Florida and Oregon State and Virginia, you could find a reason for any of them to be the (No. 1) seed," Beavers coach Pat Casey said. "When it came down to the fact neither Florida or Virginia were automatic qualifiers, I thought that might swing it our way."

The other five national seeds, in order, are: Indiana, Florida State, Louisiana-Lafayette, TCU and LSU.

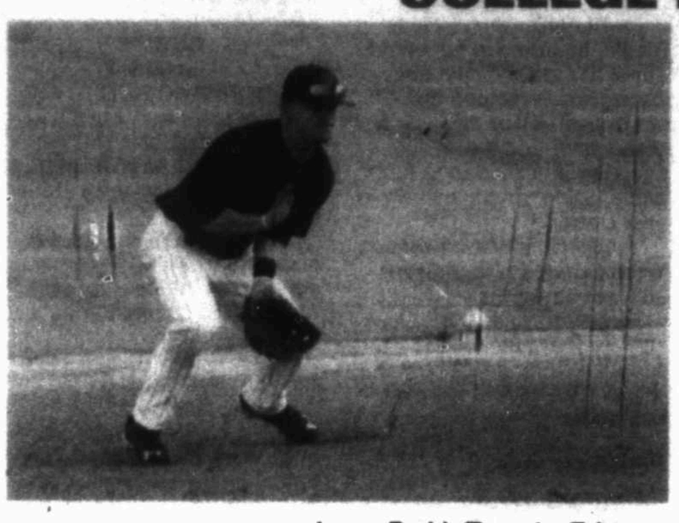
Oregon State (42-12) is the No. 1 seed for the first time after being No. 3 a year ago.

Florida (40-21) won the SEC regular-season title for the third time in five years and reached the conference tournament final.

Virginia (44-13) has the ACC's top pitching staff.

The tournament opens Friday with 16 four-team, double-elimination regionals.

COLLEGE BASEBALL



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Texas Tech second baseman Bryant Burleson, a Midland Christian grad, fields the ball during the game against New Mexico on April 1 at Security Bank Ballpark. The Red Raiders play in the Coral Gables, Florida regional Friday against Columbia.

NCAA Division I Baseball Regionals Glance
Double Elimination; x-if necessary

At Davenport Field
Charlottesville, Va.
Friday, May 30
Game 1 — Virginia (44-13) vs. Bucknell (30-19-1), 1 p.m.
Game 2 — Liberty (41-16) vs. Arkansas (38-23), 6 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Game 3 — Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser
Game 4 — Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner
Sunday, June 1
Game 5 — Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 loser
Game 6 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner
Monday, June 2
x-Game 7 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner

At Carolina Stadium
Columbia, S.C.
Friday, May 30
Game 1 — Old Dominion (36-24) vs. Maryland (36-21), Noon
Game 2 — South Carolina (42-16) vs. Campbell (40-19), 6 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Game 3 — Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser
Game 4 — Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner
Sunday, June 1
Game 5 — Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 loser
Game 6 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner
Monday, June 2
x-Game 7 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner

At Alfred A. McKethan Stadium
Gainesville, Fla.
Friday, May 30
Game 1 — North Carolina (34-25) vs. Long Beach State (32-24), Noon
Game 2 — Florida (40-21) vs. College of Charleston (41-17), 6 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Game 3 — Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser
Game 4 — Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner
Sunday, June 1
Game 5 — Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 loser
Game 6 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner
Monday, June 2
x-Game 7 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner

At A-Rod Park at Mark Light Field
Coral Gables, Fla.
Friday, May 30
Game 1 — Columbia (29-18) vs. Texas Tech (40-18), 1 p.m.
Game 2 — Miami (41-17) vs. Bethune-Cookman (26-31), 6 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Game 3 — Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser
Game 4 — Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner
Sunday, June 1
Game 5 — Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 loser
Game 6 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner
Monday, June 2
x-Game 7 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner

At Dick Howser Stadium
Tallahassee, Fla.
Friday, May 30
Game 1 — Kennesaw State (37-21) vs Alabama (34-22), 11 a.m.
Game 2 — Florida State (43-15) vs. Georgia Southern (39-21), 5 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Game 3 — Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser
Game 4 — Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner
Sunday, June 1
Game 5 — Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 loser
Game 6 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner
Monday, June 2
x-Game 7 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner

At Jim Patterson Stadium
Louisville, Ky.
Friday, May 30
Game 1 — Kansas (34-24) vs. Kentucky (35-23), 1 p.m.
Game 2 — Louisville (45-15) vs. Kent State (36-21), 5 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Game 3 — Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser
Game 4 — Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner
Sunday, June 1
Game 5 — Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 loser
Game 6 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner
Monday, June 2
x-Game 7 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner

At Bart Kaufman Field
Bloomington, Ind.
Friday, May 30
Game 1 — Stanford (30-23) vs. Indiana State (35-16), 1 p.m.
Game 2 — Indiana (42-13) vs. Youngstown State (16-36), 6 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Game 3 — Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser
Game 4 — Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner
Sunday, June 1
Game 5 — Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 loser
Game 6 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner
Monday, June 2
x-Game 7 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner

At Hawkins Field
Nashville, Tenn.
Friday, May 30
Game 1 — Clemson (36-23) vs. Oregon (42-18), Noon
Game 2 — Vanderbilt (41-18) vs. Xavier (29-27), 7 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Game 3 — Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser
Game 4 — Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner
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Monday, June 2
x-Game 7 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner

At Swayze Field
Oxford, Miss.
Friday, May 30
Game 1 — Georgia Tech (36-25) vs. Washington (39-15-1), 3 p.m.
Game 2 — Mississippi (41-18) vs. Jacksonville State (36-25), 7 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Game 3 — Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser
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Sunday, June 1
Game 5 — Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 loser
Game 6 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner
Monday, June 2
x-Game 7 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner

At Alex Box Stadium
Baton Rouge, La.
Friday, May 30
Game 1 — LSU (44-14-1) vs. Southeastern Louisiana (37-23), 2 p.m.
Game 2 — Bryant (42-14) vs. Houston (44-15), 7 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Game 3 — Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser
Game 4 — Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner
Sunday, June 1
Game 5 — Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 loser
Game 6 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner
Monday, June 2
x-Game 7 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner

At Beckham Stadium
Statesboro, Ga.
Friday, May 30
Game 1 — Jacksonville (36-25) vs. Mercer (34-20), 7 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Game 3 — Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser
Game 4 — Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner
Sunday, June 1
Game 5 — Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 loser
Game 6 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner
Monday, June 2
x-Game 7 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner

At Goss Stadium at Coleman Field
Corvallis, Ore.
Friday, May 30
Game 1 — UC Irvine (36-22) vs. UNLV (35-23), 4 p.m.
Game 2 — Oregon State (42-12) vs. North Dakota State (25-24), 10 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Game 3 — Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser
Game 4 — Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner
Sunday, June 1
Game 5 — Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 loser
Game 6 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner
Monday, June 2
x-Game 7 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner

At Baggett Stadium
San Luis Obispo, Calif.
Friday, May 30
Game 1 — Pepperdine (39-16) vs. Arizona State (33-22), 3 p.m.
Game 2 — Cal Poly (45-10) vs. Sacramento State (39-22), 8 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Game 3 — Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser
Game 4 — Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner
Sunday, June 1
Game 5 — Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 loser
Game 6 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner
Monday, June 2
x-Game 7 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner

At M.L. 'Tigue' Moore Field
Lafayette, La.
Friday, May 30
Game 1 — San Diego State (42-19) vs. Mississippi State (37-22), 1 p.m.
Game 2 — Louisiana-Lafayette (53-7) vs. Jackson State (31-23), 6 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Game 3 — Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser
Game 4 — Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner
Sunday, June 1
Game 5 — Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 loser
Game 6 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner
Monday, June 2
x-Game 7 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner

At Allie P. Reynolds Stadium
Stillwater, Okla.
Friday, May 30
Game 1 — Cal State Fullerton (32-22) vs. Nebraska (40-19), Noon
Game 2 — Oklahoma State (45-16) vs. Binghamton (25-25), 6 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Game 3 — Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser
Game 4 — Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner
Sunday, June 1
Game 5 — Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 loser
Game 6 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner
Monday, June 2
x-Game 7 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner

At Charlie and Marie Lupton Stadium
Fort Worth
Friday, May 30
Game 1 — Sam Houston State (41-17) vs. Dallas Baptist (40-19), 2:30 p.m.
Game 2 — TCU (42-15) vs. Siena (26-31), 7 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Game 3 — Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser
Game 4 — Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner
Sunday, June 1
Game 5 — Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 loser
Game 6 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner
Monday, June 2
x-Game 7 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner

At Reckling Park
Houston
Friday, May 30
Game 1 — Texas A&M (33-24) vs. Texas (38-18), 3 p.m.
Game 2 — Rice (41-18) vs. George Mason (34-20), 7 p.m.
Saturday, May 31
Game 3 — Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser
Game 4 — Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner
Sunday, June 1
Game 5 — Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 loser
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Monday, June 2
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POLLS
Baseball America Top 25

	Record	Pvs
1. Louisiana-Lafayette	53-7	2
2. Oregon State	42-12	1
3. Florida	40-21	7
4. Florida State	43-15	4
5. Cal Poly	45-10	5
6. Indiana	42-13	9
7. Louisiana State	44-14	14
8. Virginia	44-13	3
9. Texas Christian	42-15	13
10. Oklahoma State	45-16	11
11. Miami	41-17	6
12. Mississippi	41-18	10
13. Louisville	45-15	12
14. Washington	39-15	8
15. Houston	44-15	16
16. Rice	41-18	17
17. Mississippi State	37-22	18
18. South Carolina	42-16	15
19. Nebraska	40-19	20
20. Vanderbilt	41-18	19
21. Texas	38-18	22
22. Kentucky	35-23	NR
23. Pepperdine	39-16	NR
24. Arkansas	38-23	NR
25. Georgia Tech	36-25	NR

Collegiate Baseball Poll

	Record	Pts	Pv
1. Louisiana-Lafayette	53-7	494	2
2. Oregon St.	42-12	492	1
3. Miami, Fla.	41-17	489	3
4. Virginia	44-13	488	4
5. Cal Poly	45-10	484	5
6. Indiana	42-13	482	9
7. Louisiana St.	44-14-1	480	14
8. Florida St.	43-15	477	6
9. Texas Christian	42-15	475	12
10. Oklahoma St.	45-16	473	7
11. Florida	40-21	471	11
12. Louisville	45-15	468	10
13. Washington	39-15-1	465	8
14. Mississippi	41-18	463	13
15. South Carolina	42-16	461	15
16. Houston	44-15	458	19
17. Rice	41-18	457	20
18. Arizona St.	33-22	454	21
19. Vanderbilt	41-18	452	18
20. Oregon	42-18	449	16
21. Mississippi St.	37-22	445	17
22. Cal St.-Fullerton	32-22	443	—
23. Arkansas	38-23	440	23
24. Nebraska	40-19	437	24
25. Pepperdine	39-16	434	—
26. Kentucky	35-23	431	—
27. Kennesaw St.	37-21	428	—
28. Georgia Tech.	36-25	426	—
29. Texas	38-18	423	28
30. San Diego St.	42-19	420	—

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Australian champ Wawrinka stunned in French opener

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press

PARIS — The positive vibes and big-deal victories began for Stan Wawrinka at last year's U.S. Open, back when he still went by "Stanislas," and picked up steam at this year's Australian Open, where he earned the right to forever be called "major champion."

And yet all of that seemed so far away late Monday at the French Open as dusk approached — and defeat became apparent — in Wawrinka's first Grand Slam match since winning his first major title.

Surprisingly, Wawrinka looked listless. More stunningly, he looked very little like a guy who was seeded No. 3 behind Rafael Nadal and Novak Djokovic and proclaimed himself "one of the favorites" just a few days earlier. In by far the biggest development of the tournament's first two days, Wawrinka bowed out in the first round at Roland Garros with a 6-4, 5-7, 6-2, 6-0 loss to 41st-ranked Guillermo Garcia-Lopez of Spain.

"The match wasn't good at all," Wawrinka said. "I don't have an answer why I didn't play that good."

He is the first Australian Open champ to exit in the first round of that year's French Open since Petr Korda in 1998.

Garcia-Lopez has never been past the third round at a Grand Slam tournament.

During a pre-tournament news conference Friday, Wawrinka spoke about deriving confidence from his recent spate of success, saying: "When I'm here now, I know that I can go far. I have done that before."

Yes, he had. Consider his past eight months.

Wawrinka — long in the shadow of Roger Federer, his Swiss Davis Cup and Olympic teammate, not to mention good friend — reached his first major semifinal in New York last September, beating defending champion Andy Murray before losing a five-setter to Djokovic. Then, at Melbourne in January, Wawrinka topped Nadal in the Australian Open final.

Boosting his clay-court bona fides heading to Paris, Wawrinka defeated Federer in the final at the Monte Carlo Masters.

While he's never been beyond the quarterfinals at the French Open, he seemed primed to perhaps make a run to the semifinals this time, where Nadal might have awaited.

But instead, Wawrinka lost in the first round in Paris for the first time since 2006, when he was only 21.

Wawrinka — who recently told the ATP he'd rather go by the shortened version of his first name — finished with 61 unforced errors, 33 more than Garcia-Lopez.

Wawrinka's loss means that yet another season will pass without one man winning both the Australian Open and French Open; Jim Courier was the last to accomplish that double, in 1992.

Nadal and Djokovic, meanwhile, looked very much like the top two seeds.

When No. 2 Djokovic's first-round victory in the main stadium was interrupted late in the second set by one of the passing showers that made Monday a stop-and-start affair, he pulled a white windbreaker over his head, plopped down on his changeover bench, and invited a ball boy to sit, too. Djokovic lightened the kid's load by offering to hold a green and brown tournament umbrella, exchanging it for a racket. Then Djokovic handed over a Perrier, grabbed his own orange-colored drink, and the pair clinked bottles, sipped, then had a conversation.

"We had a nice chat. He's a tennis player, so I asked him how long he's (been) playing and how he's enjoying his time as a ball kid," Djokovic related with a smile. "Fun time."

Yes, all's fun and games when you're on your way to a 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 victory against 44th-ranked Joao Sousa of Portugal.

Nadal won 6-0, 6-3, 6-0 over American Robby Ginepri.

Michael Euler/AP

Stanislas Wawrinka bows his head after missing a return during the first round match of the French Open on Monday at the Roland Garros stadium in Paris. Wawrinka lost in four sets.

FRENCHOPEN

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Results
Monday
At Stade Roland Garros
Paris
Purse: $34.12 million (Grand Slam)
Surface: Clay-Outdoor
Singles
Men
First Round

Martin Klizan, Slovakia, def. Kei Nishikori (9), Japan, 7-6 (4), 6-1, 6-2.
Kenny de Schepper, France, def. Albert Montanes, Spain, 3-1, retired.
Benoit Paire, France, def. Alejandro Falla, Colombia, 6-3, 6-4, 7-6 (4).
Jiri Vesely, Czech Republic, def. Lukas Rosol, Czech Republic, 6-2, 7-6 (6), 7-5.
Robin Haase, Netherlands, def. Nikolay Davydenko, Russia, 7-5, 6-4, 6-2.
Marin Cilic (25), Croatia, def. Pablo Andujar, Spain, 6-0, 6-3, 7-6 (6).
Marcel Granollers, Spain, def. Ivan Dodig, Croatia, 2-2, retired.
Novak Djokovic (2), Serbia, def. Joao Sousa, Portugal, 6-1, 6-2, 6-4.
Gilles Simon (29), France, def. Ante Pavic, Croatia, 6-1, 6-1, 6-3.
Jurgen Melzer, Austria, def. David Goffin, Belgium, 6-4, 5-7, 7-5, 6-4.
Tommy Robredo (17), Spain, def. James Ward, Britain, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2, 6-4.
Alejandro Gonzalez, Colombia, def. Michael Russell, United States, 6-2, 6-4, 6-7 (6), 6-1.
Roberto Bautista Agut (27), Spain, def. Paolo Lorenzi, Italy, 6-3, 7-5, 6-2.
Feliciano Lopez (28), Spain, def. Damir Dzumhur, Bosnia-Herzegovina, 6-3, 7-6 (8), 6-3.
Rafael Nadal (1), Spain, def. Robby Ginepri, United States, 6-0, 6-3, 6-0.
Teymuraz Gabashvili, Russia, def. Vasek Pospisil (30), Canada, 6-4, 6-2, 6-3.
Thomaz Bellucci, Brazil, def. Benjamin Becker, Germany, 6-2, 6-4, 3-6, 4-6, 6-2.
Fabio Fognini (14), Italy, def. Andreas Beck, Germany, 6-4, 6-4, 6-1.
Adrian Mannarino, France, def. Yen-hsun Lu, Taiwan, 6-2, 6-1, 6-1.
Tobias Kamke, Germany, def. Miloslav Mecir, Slovakia, 7-5, 7-6 (2), 7-6 (1).
Facundo Bagnis, Argentina, def. Julien Benneteau, France, 6-1, 6-2, 1-6, 3-6, 18-16.
Ernests Gulbis (18), Latvia, def. Lukasz Kubot, Poland, 4-6, 6-4, 7-5, 6-1.
Dominic Thiem, Austria, def. Paul-Henri Mathieu, France, 6-4, 7-6 (3), 6-2.
Donald Young, United States, def. Dudi Sela, Israel, 6-1, 2-6, 6-1, 6-0.
Mikhail Kukushkin, Kazakhstan, def. Nicolas Mahut, France, 6-3, 6-7 (4), 6-3, 6-4.
Leonardo Mayer, Argentina, def. James Duckworth, Australia, 5-7, 6-2, 6-4, 7-6 (2).
Guillermo Garcia-Lopez, Spain, def. Stan Wawrinka (3), Switzerland, 6-4, 5-7, 6-2, 6-0.

Women
First Round

Maria Sharapova (7), Russia, def. Ksenia Pervak, Russia, 6-1, 6-2.
Dominika Cibulkova (9), Slovakia, def. Virginie Razzano, France, 7-5, 6-0.
Mona Barthel, Germany, def. Karin Knapp, Italy, 6-4, 6-0.
Sabine Lisicki (16), Germany, def. Fiona Ferro, France, 6-1, 7-5.
Tamira Paszek, Austria, def. Alison Van Uytvanck, Belgium, 6-2, 7-6 (5).
Timea Bacsinszky, Switzerland, def. Maryna Zanevska, Ukraine, 6-1, 6-4.
Flavia Pennetta (12), Italy, def. Patricia Mayr-Achleitner, Austria, 6-2, 6-2.
Yaroslava Shvedova, Kazakhstan, def. Lauren Davis, United States, 3-6, 7-5, 6-4.
Eugenie Bouchard (18), Canada, def. Shahar Peer, Israel, 6-0, 6-2.
Pauline Parmentier, France, def. Roberta Vinci (17), Italy, 3-6, 6-3, 6-2.
Sam Stosur (19), Australia, def. Monica Puig, Puerto Rico, 6-1, 6-1.
Paula Ormaechea, Argentina, def. Romina Oprandi, Switzerland, 7-5, 6-2.
Elena Vesnina (32), Russia, def. Christina McHale, United States, 7-6 (0), 4-6, 6-3.
Stefanie Voegele, Switzerland, def. Anna-Lena Friedsam, Germany, 6-7 (3),
Alize Cornet (20), France, def. Ashleigh Barty, Australia, 6-2, 6-1.
Karolina Pliskova, Czech Republic, def. Mathilde Johansson, France, 6-1, 7-6 (5).
Julia Georges, Germany, def. Michelle Larcher de Brito, Portugal, 6-2, 6-3.
Taylor Townsend, United States, def. Vania King, United States, 7-5, 6-1.
Marina Erakovic, New Zealand, def. Nadiya Kichenok, Ukraine, 6-2, 6-1.
Kurumi Nara, Japan, def. Anna Tatishvili, United States, 6-1, 6-4.
Andrea Petkovic (28), Germany, def. Misaki Doi, Japan, 6-3, 6-3.
Petra Kvitova (5), Czech Republic, def. Zarina Diyas, Kazakhstan, 7-5, 6-2.
Sharon Fichman, Canada, leads Jelena Jankovic (6), Serbia, 7-5, 1-5, susp., darkness.

French Open Show Court Schedules
Today
At Stade Roland Garros
Paris
Play begins on all courts at 4 a.m. EDT
Court Philippe Chatrier

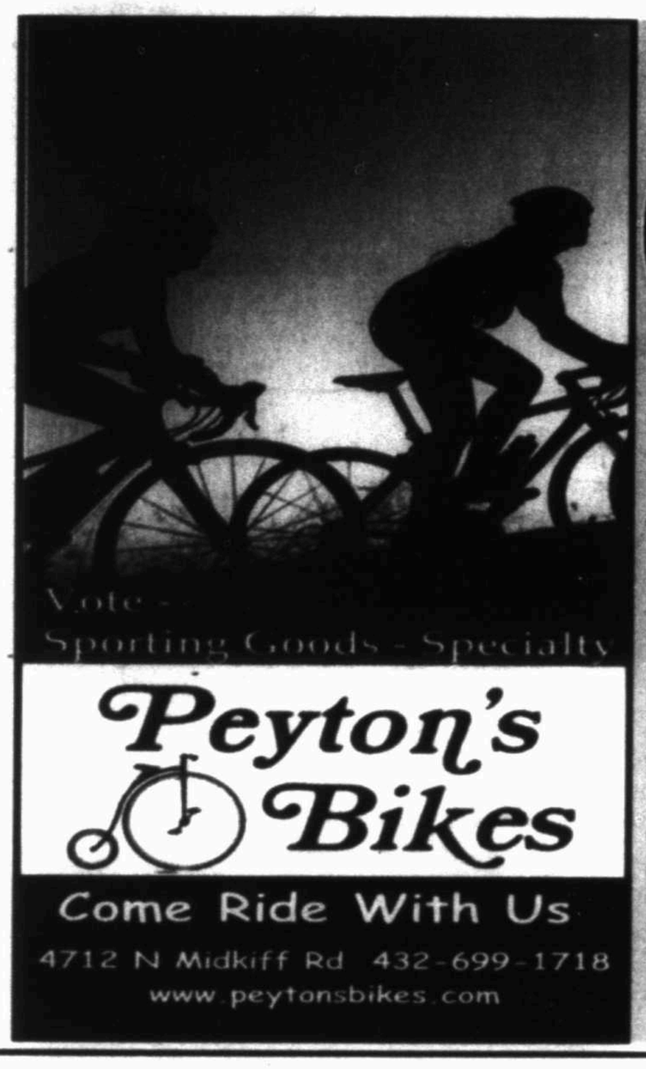
Alisa Kleybanova, Russia, vs. Simona Halep (4), Romania
Igor Sijsling, Netherlands, vs. David Ferrer (5), Spain
Caroline Garcia, France, vs. Ana Ivanovic (11), Serbia
Gael Monfils (23), France, vs. Victor Hanescu, Romania

Court Suzanne Lenglen

Kristina Mladenovic, France, vs. Li Na (2), China
Richard Gasquet (12), France, vs. Bernard Tomic, Australia
Andrey Golubev, Kazakhstan, vs. Andy Murray (7), Britain
Madison Keys, United States, vs. Sara Errani (10), Italy

Court No. 1

Grigor Dimitrov (11), Bulgaria, vs. Ivo Karlovic, Croatia
Sloane Stephens (15), United States, vs. Peng Shuai, China
Michael Llodra, France, vs. Fernando Verdasco (24), Spain
Lucie Safarova (23), Czech Republic, vs. Mandy Minella, Luxembourg



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A-B-C			
ABB Ltd		20.83	-.23
AFLAC Inc		57.22	-.69
AES Corp		20.13	.07
AK Steel		7.50	-.07
AT&T Inc		34.44	-.13
Abbott Lab		40.29	.02
Abbvie		52.37	-.15
AbbVie		50.37	-.14
Accenture		78.64	.04
ACE Ltd		102.04	.02
Aetna		73.16	-.24
Agilent		53.26	-.14
Air Prod		126.87	-.12
Alcoa		13.52	-.05
Allstate		59.06	.02
Alliance		1.80	.02
Allstate		54.44	-.13
Altria		38.05	.02
Ameren		40.39	-.14
Amgen		123.16	-.84
Amphenol		100.97	-.10
Anadarko		84.19	-.09
Apache		100.61	-.12
Apple Inc		588.13	-.36
Applied Mat		20.19	-.02
Archer-Daniels		42.10	-.07
Assurant		62.70	-.10
AutoNation		52.75	-.25
AutoZone		536.00	-.11
Avalonbay		136.00	-.12
Avery Dennison		50.10	-.07
Avnet		41.29	-.10
Avon Prod		14.14	.01
BB&T Corp		38.27	-.29
BP PLC		2.28	-.01
BJ's Rest		1.48	-.02
Baker Hughes		58.74	-.27
Ball Corp		52.74	-.34
Bank of America		15.62	-.04
Bard		136.94	-.02
Baxter Int		72.26	-.09
Bed Bath & Bey		66.27	-.09
Berkshire Hath		134.69	-.12
Best Buy		28.27	-.19
Biogen Idec		317.69	-.19
Boeing		134.51	-.36
Boston Scientific		13.79	-.02
Brown-Forman		90.14	-.02
Bunge		78.79	-.63
Burlington Nor		169.12	-.06
CBS B		68.60	-.75
CenturyLink		34.44	-.13
Cerner		59.47	-.13
Chesapeake		27.19	-.04
Chevron		121.27	-.19
Chubb		92.83	-.14
Cintas		66.27	-.09
Citigroup		49.72	-.19
Clorox		88.14	-.09
Coca-Cola		39.75	-.02
Colgate-Palmolive		64.27	-.09
Comcast		51.97	-.27
Comerica		48.79	-.30
Conagra Foods		29.97	-.02
Concho Res		127.86	-.31
ConocoPhillips		70.47	-.09
Consol Energy		40.27	-.08
Corning		20.11	-.06
Costco Wholesale		115.97	-.19
Crown Castle		73.79	-.12
Cummins		150.00	-.12
CVS Caremark		74.27	-.09
Danaher		78.79	-.09
Darden		54.27	-.09
Deere & Co		90.14	-.09
Dollar Gen		56.27	-.09
Dominion Res		71.27	-.09
Dow Chemical		48.79	-.09
Dr Pepper Snapple		66.27	-.09
Duke Energy		71.27	-.09
Dun & Bradstreet		108.27	-.09
Eastman Chem		87.27	-.09
Eaton		71.27	-.09
Ecolab		108.27	-.09
Edison Int		57.27	-.09
Emerson Elec		66.27	-.09
Entergy		71.27	-.09
Exelon		34.27	-.09
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Express Scripts		70.27	-.09
Exxon Mobil		101.27	-.09
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Ford Motor		16.27	-.09
Fortune Brands		41.27	-.09
Franklin Res		108.27	-.09
Gap		41.27	-.09
General Dynamics		108.27	-.09
General Mills		57.27	-.09
Genuine Parts		71.27	-.09
Gilead Sciences		108.27	-.09
Google		108.27	-.09
Graybar		57.27	-.09
Hartford Fin		41.27	-.09
Hasbro		57.27	-.09
Hess		108.27	-.09
Home Depot		71.27	-.09
Honeywell		108.27	-.09
Hormel Foods		41.27	-.09
Hospira		57.27	-.09
Hudson City		108.27	-.09
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Kraft Foods		108.27	-.09
Kroger		41.27	-.09
L-3 Comm		108.27	-.09
Lab Corp		57.27	-.09
Lilly		108.27	-.09
Lowe's		41.27	-.09
M&T Bank		108.27	-.09
Macy's		57.27	-.09
Marriott Int		108.27	-.09
Mattel		41.27	-.09
McDonald's		108.27	-.09
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Medtronic		108.27	-.09
Merck		41.27	-.09
Microsoft		108.27	-.09
Mondelez Int		57.27	-.09
Monsanto		108.27	-.09
Mosaic		41.27	-.09
Motorola Sol		108.27	-.09
Nabors Ind		57.27	-.09
NYSE Euronext		108.27	-.09
Newmont Min		41.27	-.09
Nextera Energy		108.27	-.09
Nike		57.27	-.09
Norfolk Sth		108.27	-.09
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Occidental Pet		108.27	-.09
Omnicom		57.27	-.09
Oracle		108.27	-.09
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Pfizer		108.27	-.09
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Pitney Bowes		108.27	-.09
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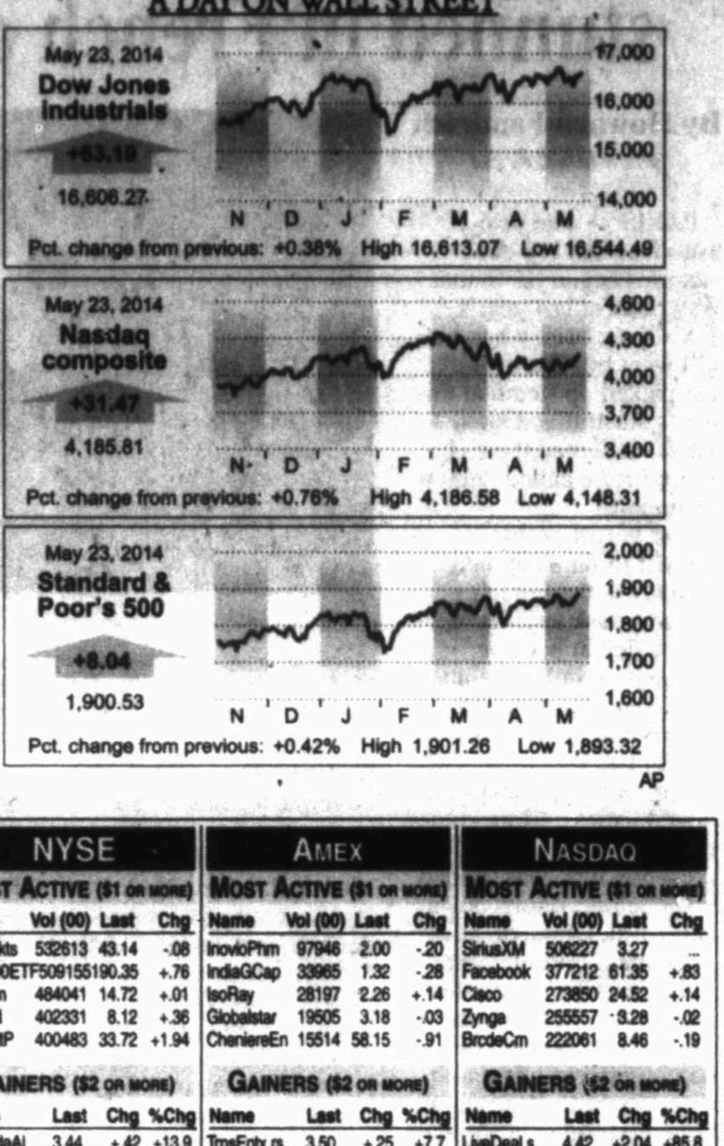

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Adtran		19.55	
AgileTher n		5.54	
AkamaT		53.65	+.17
Alexion		162.30	
+1.82			
AlignTech		54.13	
+1.41			
Allscripts		14.82	-.04
AlmylamP		58.75	
+3.21			
AlteraCp lf		60.33	-.11
AmTrstFin		80.45	-.19
Amazon		312.24	
+7.33			
AmKarr n		39.11	-.36
ACapAgy 3.15e		23.58	-.15
AmCapLtd		14.73	.02
ARCCapP	f	00.12	.30
Amgen		2.44114.33	-.53
AmkorTech		4.48	-.02
AnalogDev	1.48	52.39	-.65
AngiesList		10.36	-.07
Anixter		77.28	-.15
Apollo Inv	80	8.28	-.03
Apple Inc	13	589.61	-4.13
ApidMat	40	20.04	+.15
Approach		18.74	-.32
ArQuie		31.41	.04
ArenaPhm		6.19	.06
AresCap	1.52e	17.06	-.04
AruzP		20.78	-.01
Arrayit	26e	44.88	.09
ArrayBio		4.10	-.20
Arris		32.53	-.06
ArrowHat		71.39	.07
ArubaNet		17.89	-2.17
Atmel		7.14	-.06
Autodesk		52.30	-.49
AutoData	2.92	78.97	-.11
Autozone		536.00	-.11
AvagoTech	1.28	70.54	
AvenePharm		4.84	-.13
AvalonBay		136.00	-.12
AvanirPh		16.42	-.48
B/E Aero		91.25	-.04
Baidu		167.61	
+2.11			
BalantePh		10.26	
BerrBath		71.36	.13
BiogenIdc		317.69	-.19
BioMarin		56.48	-.28
BioScrip		7.42	-.04
BlackHills		57.27	-.09
BloomnBk		3.21	-.03
Broadcom		38.10	-.64
BroderSn		13.44	-.19
CA Inc		30.29	-.19
CDW Corp		28.45	-.34
CME Grp	1.76f	71.38	-.46
CdnNatRes		34.27	
CapitalSrce		14.23	
Capella Ed		60.10	
Cardica		3.02	
CatalystHlth		95.35	-.17
Celgene		156.13	-.13
Celldex Th		13.36	.02
Cerner		53.12	-.13
ChkPoint		65.51	-.07
ChiFnOnl		3.05	-.59
ChinaGenPw		6.66	-.13
Cirrus		22.06	-.57
Cisco	.76f	24.52	-.14
CitrixSys		61.44	-.02
ClearEngy		10.00	-.40
CognizTech		48.62	-.97
Comcast	s0.56	51.97	-.27
Comp. sdk	.9f	11.53	-.36
Compuware	.50	9.92	.17
Conversant		26.41	.63
CorOnDem		43.25	-.46
Costco	.42f	114.94	-.09
Crocker-B		4.37	-99.25
+1.01			
Cree Inc		48.50	-.87
Ctrip.com		56.01	-.62
CypSem		44.10	-.05
D-E-F			
Dataram h		2.69	-.05
Dawson	32	26.77	+.79
Dndreon		2.22	-.03
DirecTv		83.59	.49
DiscCom A		78.26	
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DiscCom C		76.11	
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DishNetwk		59.81	
+1.92			
DollarTree		52.68	.63
DonleyRR	1.04	15.61	-.24
DoorMkt	f	83e	-26.15
DryShips		76	3.08
DuratuTh		**16.89**	**-.88**
E Trade		20.32	-.12
eBay		52.02	-.52
8x8 Inc		87.25	.08
ElectArts		34.88	-.31
Endo Intl		73.94	-.61
EnguyXXI	48	21.42	-.20
Ericsson	46e	12.25	.09
Exelixis		3.44	-.07
Expedia	60	71.39	-.37
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F5 Networks		107.75	-.12
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Fastenal	1.00	48.46	-.34
FirstSolar	1.00	9.33	-.06
FitbkBrl n		28.20	-.14
FitbkHldg		54.27	-.09
Finisar		24.68	-.14
Flextrn		33.39	+1.10
FstNiagara	32	8.63	
FstSolar		60.67	-.04
Flextrn		10.19	+.15
Fortinet		21.93	-.17
FosterWhl	40e	33.50	.01
FreshMkt		29.15	-.45
FrontierCm	40	5.81	-.07
FuelCell		2.13	-.03
FulltonFncl	32	11.97	-.05
G-H-I			
GT AdvTc		**15.95**	**+1.20**
Garmin	1.92f	57.39	+1.56
GenmOil		38.38	-.05
GileadSci		80.94	1.96
GluMobile		3.78	.03
Gogo n		15.38	.06
Goodyear	20	25.64	-.94
Google A		563.80	+8.35
Google C		553.70	+8.25
GreenPms	16	28.10	-.25
Groupon		**6.29**	**-.31**
GrifolsSA		37.12	-.02
HCI Group		25.69	-.01
Haicyang		1.96	-.33
Hasbro	.72	53.85	-.16
HeinzTroy		19.47	-.93
HerbalLife		71.10	-.03
HomeAway		34.90	-.50
HonzPhm		13.46	-.06
HumanGen	16	13.39	.02
HumLife	80	77.22	.26
HumBncsh	20	9.10	-.04
HuntBnk	.96	9.26	-.08
iShNsdqBio	0.7e	234.54	-.49
Illumina		159.20	-.82
Imprivata		17.09	.14
IntgDv		12.73	-.16
Inter	90	**26.29**	**-.14**
InterDig	40	47.30	-.12
InterMune		39.98	-.52
Intersil		13.31	-.24
Intuit	1.80	78.79	-.09
IntuitBrd	80	77.22	.26
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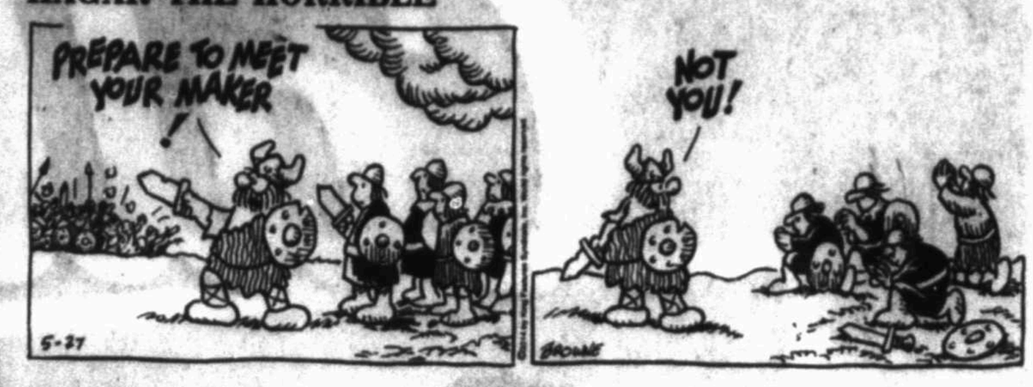

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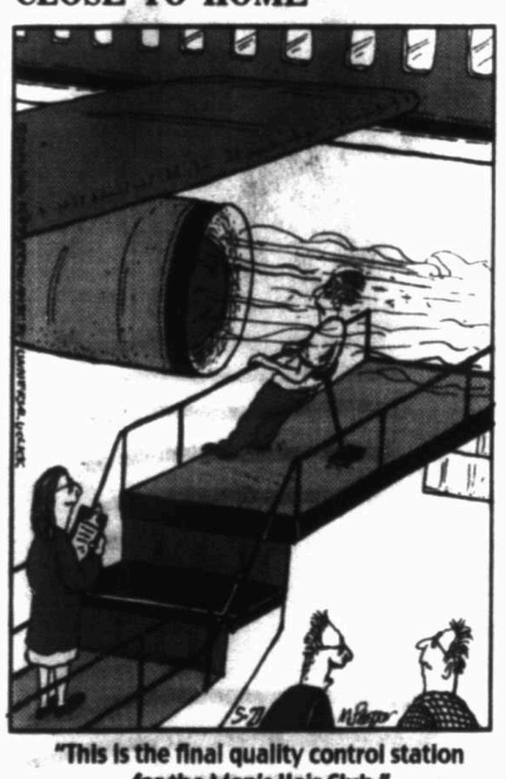

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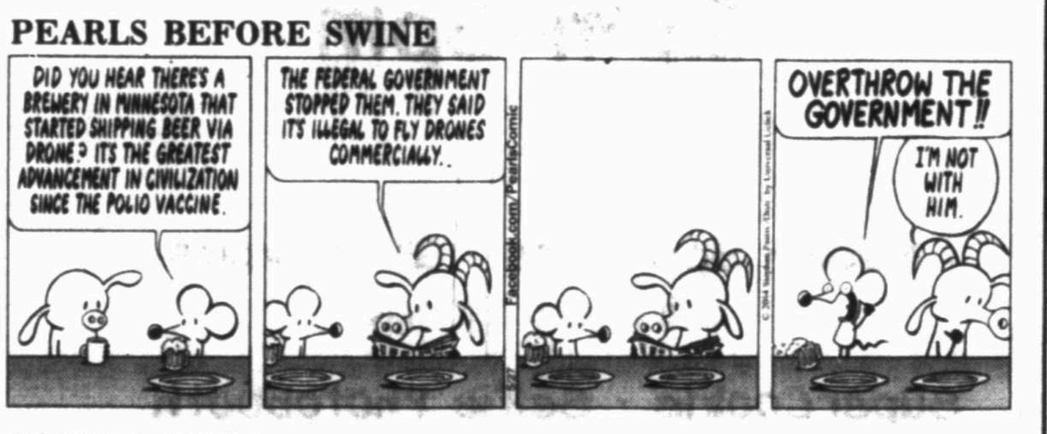

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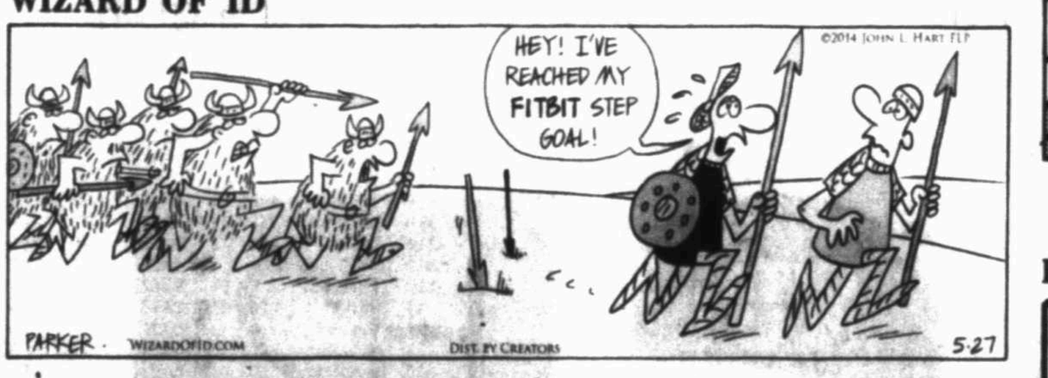

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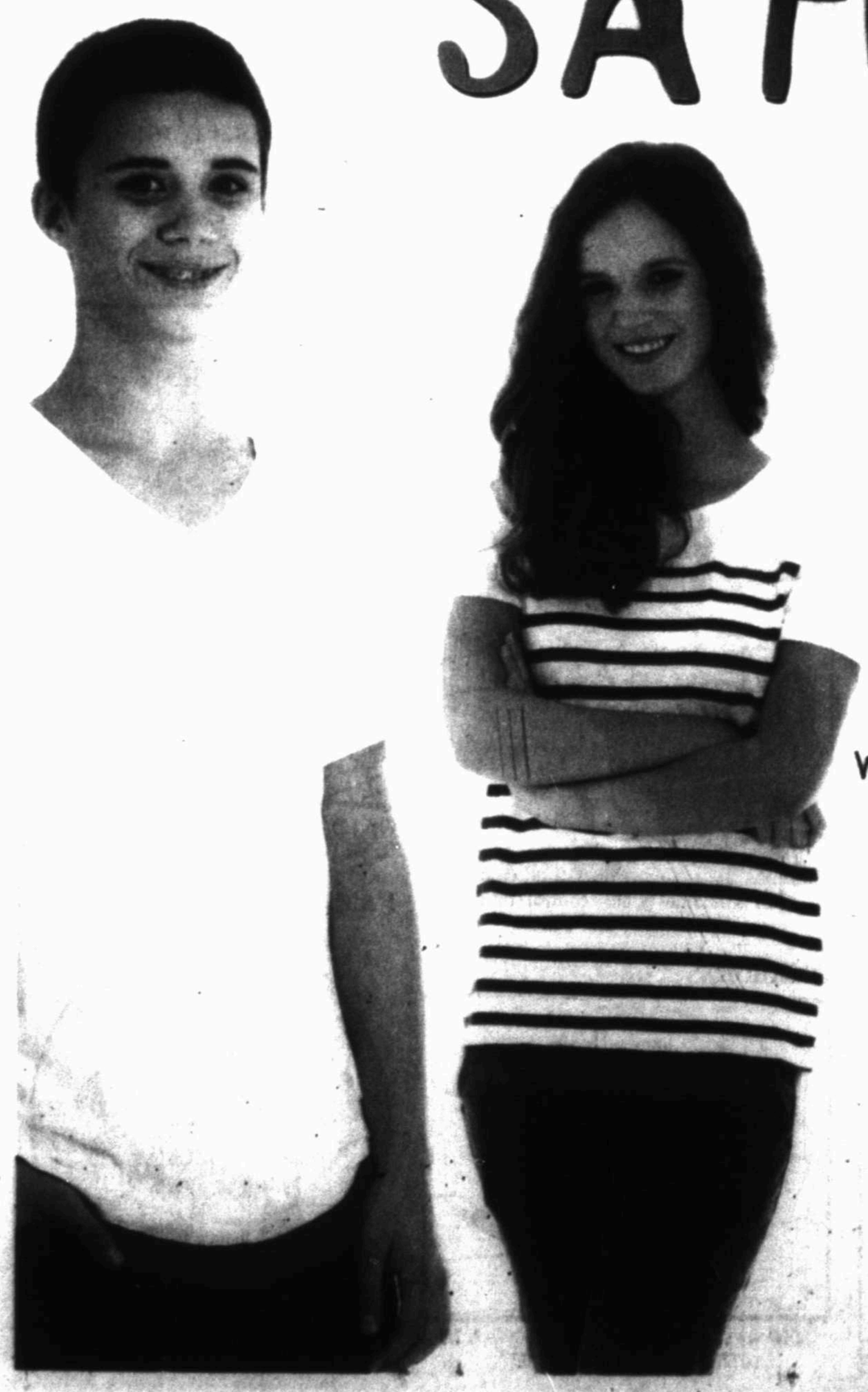

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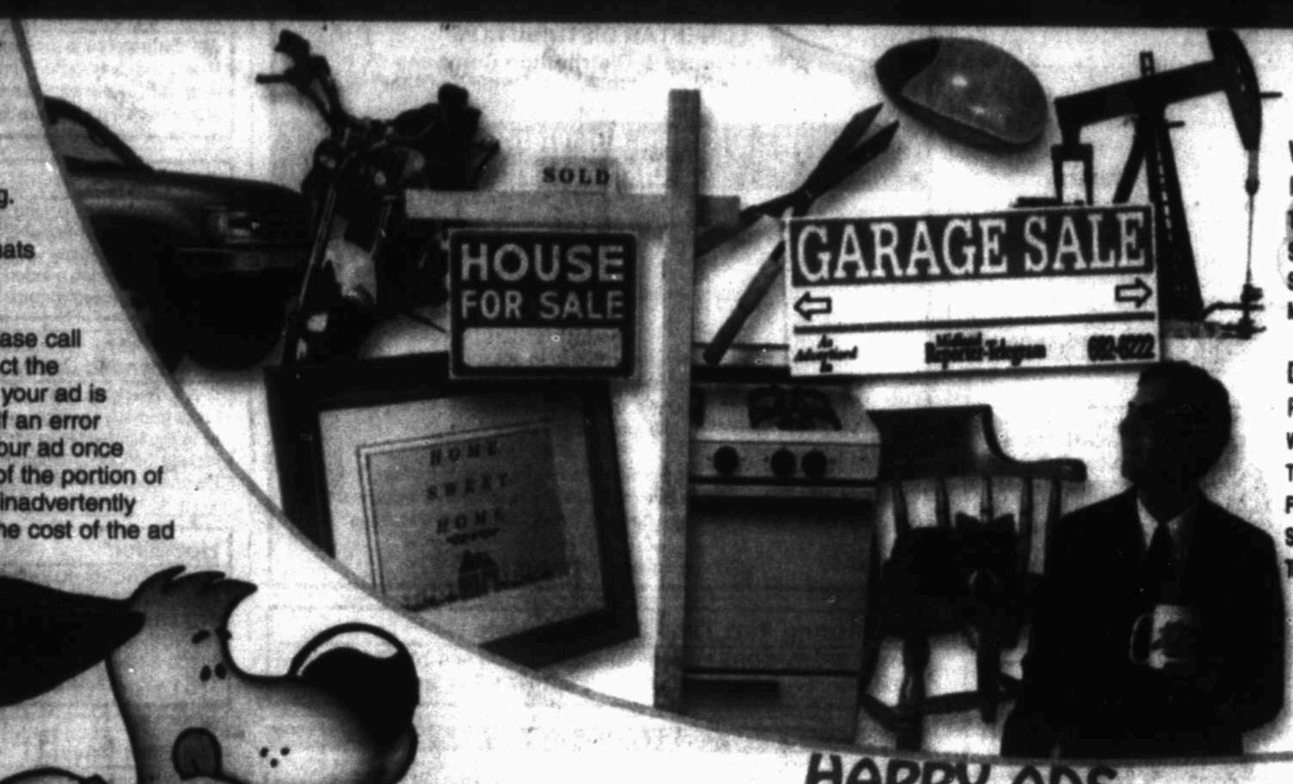

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HEALTHCARE

Admission Clerk
Martin County Hospital District now hiring 1 FT Admission Clerk 8am-5pm M-F. Apply @ 600 E. I-20, Stanton, TX. 79782 Fax 432-607-3265 pdority@martinch.org.

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Full Time, LVN/Medical Assistant and FT or PT Receptionist for a physician's office. Must have good oral/written communication skills, dependable, organized, team player. Computer skills a must, experience in medical office environment is a plus. Competitive salary. Email resume to michiganprofessionals@aol.com

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Martin County Hospital District now hiring FT Insurance Biller w/experience. Medicare, Medicaid, Commercial and Workers Compensation Claims. GREAT BENEFITS. . Apply @ 600 E. I-20, Stanton, TX. 79782 Fax 432-607-3265 pdority@martinch.org.

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Medical Assistant
Medical office hiring certified MA for medical billing and/or nursing must be bilingual, will train. Fax resume to 432-682-6200

MIDLAND SURGICAL ASSOCIATES, P.A.
is seeking **experienced** candidates for the following positions to complement our team. All candidates must be able to work independently and possess excellent communication and patient skills.

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Send resume to: 432-697-7089 or call 432-697-1061 for more information.

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Patient Services Coordinator
Small medical office is seeking a full-time Patient Services Coordinator. The employee will be responsible for gathering all pertinent patient information, data entry for electronic medical records, setting/ rescheduling appointments, providing customer service, taking payments and other duties as assigned. The employer will do a background and reference check. Applicants should be organized, motivated, have a welcoming demeanor, and must have excellent communication and computer skills. Prior experience is very desirable. For more information regarding this position, please contact: Allen Orthotics & Prosthetics by phone 432-683-3788 or Fax 432-683-6470.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Human Resources Director
McCamey County Hospital District is seeking a Human Resources Director. Bachelor's degree in Human Resources or Business preferred. Minimum two years of college required. Candidates must be able to deal with the technical expertise in all key functional HR areas, including policy development, talent acquisition, team building, benefits management, workers' compensation, Employee Health and HR compliance management. We are looking for candidates who are approachable and have strong relationship building skills. Ideal candidates must demonstrate the ability to foster an atmosphere of respect and cooperation. They must have strong computer skills. Candidates must be able to pass background checks. This is a key strategic position with responsibility for all Human Resources functions. This position is an integral member of the hospital's leadership team. Any questions contact Jaime Ramirez 432-652-8626 extension 218. Applications may be completed online at mccameyhospitaldistrict.org. Resumes may be emailed to jguilhur@mchdtx.net. Applications will be accepted until 5 p.m. on Friday, June 3, 2014.

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Security Guard
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Technician Helper
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Job Description
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Children range in age from 0-17. This person should be at least 21 years of age, degreed and non-degreeded people are applicable.
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Marketing Assistant
Computer skills required for creating brochures, photos of properties, good communications skills, professional appearance. Self motivation is critical. Smoke free environment. Please send resume & contact information to P-116 c/o Midland Reporter Telegram, 201 E. Illinois, Midland, Texas 79701

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

Assistant Managers, Crew leaders, General help
Schlotzsky's Deli is looking for hard working individuals. We are currently hiring Assistant managers, Crew leaders & General help. Fun, grease free environment. Apply today at 1109 Andrews Hwy. or 5211 W. Wadley. Contact Kenny @ 432-312-1187

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The Garlic Press is hiring bussers and kitchen staff. Flexible hours. Great work environment and benefits.
Apply in person at The Garlic Press in Oak Ridge Square at Wadley and Garfield. 11-2 and 5:30-6:30

Now Hiring
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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:
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c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram 201 E. Illinois St., Midland, TX 79701. E-mail:jmaddox@hearstnp.com
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Service Tech
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Single hand contract needed. Oil field experience a plus & Drivers License a must. Salary DOE. Please call for application 432-520-3853 or 432-638-8266.

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

CDL Driver
Class A CDL Driver Needed!!!! Great work environment. Qualified Class A CDL driver, must have at least 1 year experience, able to pass pre-employment drug test and good work history. Please contact Tommy Neatherlin at 432-528-3695 for information.

CDL Driver
Horizon Transportation FT
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TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

CDL Drivers and Non CDL Drivers
S & S 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.

Class A CDL Truck Drivers
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 432-563-1594 for interview or online @ www.rockwaterenergy.com

DRIVERS AND SPOOLERS
JW Enterprise is looking for Drivers and Spoolers with Class A CDL. Must have a good driving record. Competitive Wages and a great place to work. On the job training for spooling. Contact 432-664-3408 or 432-458-3675 for more information. Serious applicants only.

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Local company is looking for drivers to transport railroad crews. Must live within 20 miles of Midland, be 21 or older, and pre-employment drug screen required. A company vehicle is provided, paid training, and benefits available. No special license needed. Compensation is $12.00 an hour. Apply at www.renzenberger.com.

Experienced Driver
G & K Trucking, Inc. FT
Local trucking company seeks an experienced Class A CDL HOTSHOT driver in the Midland area for local, regional and out of state deliveries. Benefits include bonuses, scheduled days off, medical insurance and paid vacation. Hazmat preferred. Please call 432-413-2472 Mon-Fri.

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Hot Shot Drivers wanted in the Midland area. Class A CDL, and drug screen required. Call 800-572-6338 or apply at Texas Work Force Commission for more information.

Route Driver Position
Looking for an energetic person for the position of Route Driver for Custom Food Group. $500 bonus after 6 months of employment. Apply in person at 2045 S. Loop 250 West, Midland, TX. Call or Email Today to set up an appointment today. 806-231-0260, justin.littlejohn@customfoodgroup.com.

Supervisor/ Pusher
Supervisor/ Pusher position at Doubletree Energy Services, a vac / kill truck company. Experience preferred. Come by 3008 Elkins Road, Midland (tan metal building) or call Garrett at 432-631-9042) M-F 8-5

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Linda 687-8807

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If interested in starting a newspaper route:
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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 7C
DATE OF ISSUANCE: May 19, 2014
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Jun 23, 2014
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

Rule38 Case No.7C-0289047
Status/Permit No. 783836

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 7, Bk. 1, GC&SF RR CO Survey, A-224, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, UPTON County, being 17.4 miles NW direction from RANKIN, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at **(512) 463-6848.**

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name :	XBC GIDDINGS ESTATE C	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	20H	
Lease/Unit Acres :	606.2	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	100.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	271.0	
Lease Lines :	1728.0 F E off lease L,	50.0 F S off lease L
Survey Lines :	50.0 F SOUTH L,	1728.0 F EAST L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral : TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines : 100.0 F NORTH L
1726.0 F EAST L

Terminus Location
BH County: UPTON
Section: 6 Block: 1 Abstract: 769
Survey: GC&SF RR CO/ SANSOM, M JR
Lease Lines : 100.0 F SOUTH L
1639.0 F EAST L
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SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres.

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If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, LAURA WALLACE, at (972) 969-1742.

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CHEVY 2004 extended cab 1500 pickup, 100k miles. $9,000 432-638-5094

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TOYOTA 2012 Tundra Platinum series, medium gray, 4WD, 22K miles. Leather interior, heat/cool front seats. Good condition. $36,500 Call 432-638-8372

4WD & SUV

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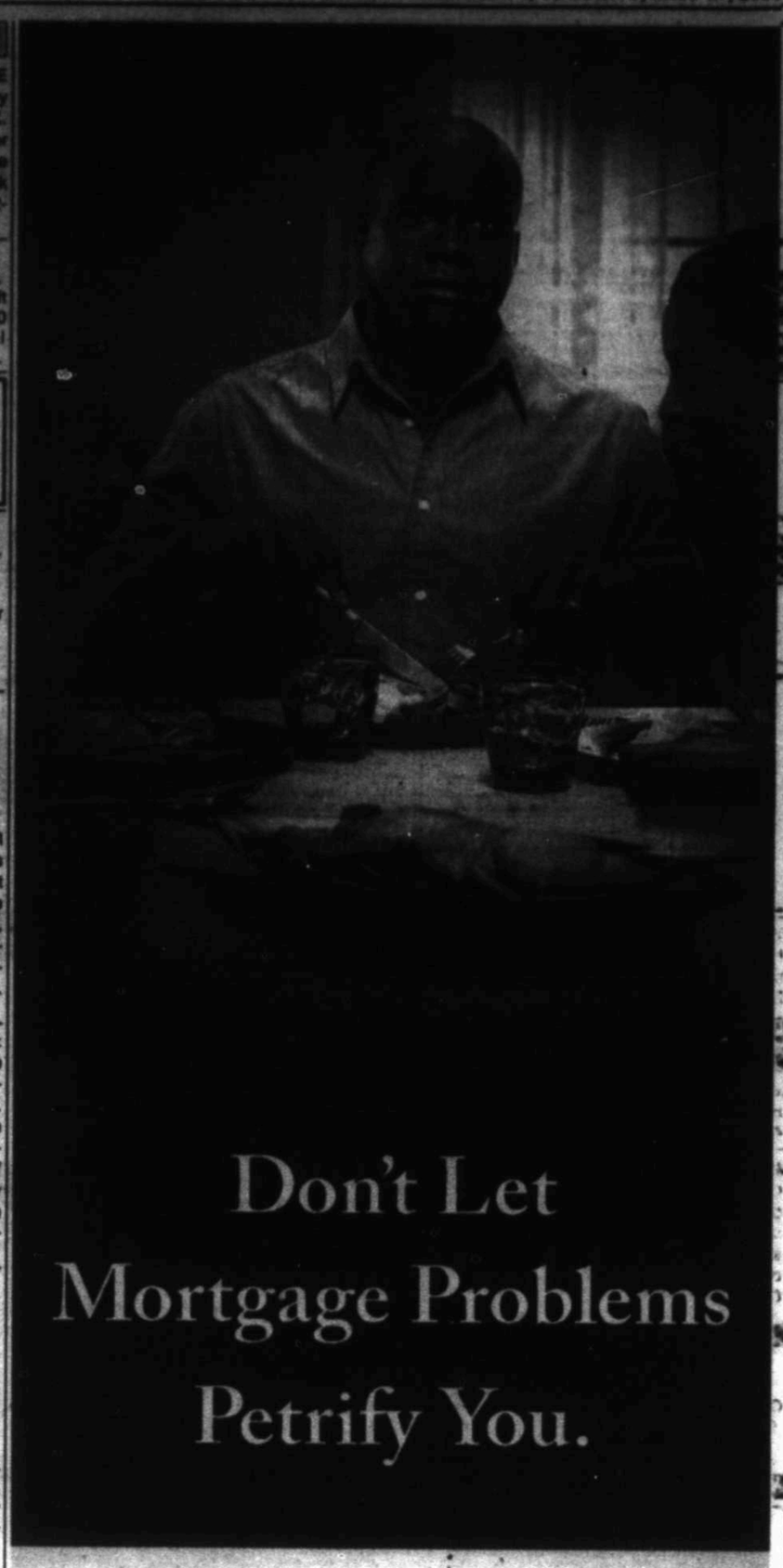

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Study: Tropical cyclones migrating out of tropics

Associated Press

WASHINGTON —

Tropical cyclones worldwide are moving out of the tropics and more toward the poles and generally larger populations, likely because of global warming, a surprising new study finds. Atlantic hurricanes, however, don't follow this trend.

While other studies have looked at the strength and frequency of the storms, which are called hurricanes in North America, this is the first study that looks at where they are geographically when they peak. It found in the last 30 years, tropical cyclones, regardless of their size, are peaking 33 miles farther north each decade in the Northern Hemisphere and 38 miles farther south each decade in the Southern Hemisphere.

That means about 100 miles toward the more populous mid-latitudes since 1982, the starting date for the study released May 14 by the journal Nature.

"The storms en masse are migrating out of the tropics," said study lead author James Kossin of the National Climatic Data Center and the University of Wisconsin. Kossin used historical tracks of storms in the Western Pacific, Eastern Pacific, North Indian Ocean, South Indian Ocean, South Pacific and the Atlantic.

That means more people at risk, especially in the Northern Hemisphere, because "you're going to hit more population areas," said Yale University historian and cartographer Bill Rankin, who wasn't part of the study.

In the region where Japan tracks cyclones, they are peaking 42 miles farther north each decade. That means cyclones that used to hit their strongest around the same latitude as the northern Philippines are now peaking closer to Hong Kong, Taiwan, Shanghai, Japan and South Korea, Kossin said. There are about 60 million people in Taiwan, Hong Kong, Shanghai and Tokyo alone.

The trend, however, is not statistically significant in the Atlantic basin, where storms threaten the U.S. East Coast. In the Atlantic region, the study has seen a northward drift of storms of only 4 miles a decade, which could be random.

Kossin said the Atlantic region is different because of changes in pollution over the United States and other factors.

Kossin and colleagues say the changes start with man-made global warming, which alters air circulation from the tropics to just farther north and south. In the tropics, those changes increase upper atmosphere wind shifts called shear that weaken cyclone development. At higher latitudes the changes decrease the storm-decapitating shear, making those areas more favorable for storm intensification.

"The tropics are becoming less hospitable" for these storms, Kossin said. "The higher latitudes are becoming less hostile."

Past storm studies have been criticized because data doesn't go back many years. But Kossin, his colleagues and outside scientists say by looking at where storms geographically hit their peak, this study avoids problems with haphazard measurements and thus can make a stronger connection to climate change.

"This is an important, very well-researched paper that uncovers something that was unknown previously," said hurricane researcher Chris Landsea, science officer at the National Hurricane Center. Florida International University hurricane professor Hugh Willoughby called this the strongest tropical cyclone and global warming link yet.

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Net neutrality is a complicated issue

Dear PropellerHeads: What's up with the recent court ruling against Net Neutrality? I don't really know what that is — but that sounds crazy. What's up?

A: Crazier than the Supreme Court decision on _____ (fill in the blank)? Court decision after decision may seem crazy, but it may be as much about spin or your particular position.

A Federal Court ruling in January may have dealt a serious blow to Net Neutrality. But what if you heard instead the court had ruled that Internet providers could finally start charging Internet freeloaders for the services they consume? That may have been exactly what they did.

We are not saying the PropHeads are supportive of this recent legal decision. We are also not suggesting our opinions really matter. We are just saying, like so many things, it's complicated.

First, some basics. Net Neutrality ("Internet neutrality") is a term that means the delivery of Internet content and applications should be agnostic. That is, the Internet Service Providers (ISPs) and governments cannot discriminate in quality or speed of service regardless of source, media type, and position or message.

Seems simple…or is it? What about email SPAM? Most are happy to let their ISP screen out the estimated 99 percent of your email traffic that you REALLY don't want to see. To help out, the folks at Common Cause have put together a short primer on this at bit.

Still not sure what the big deal is? Well, consider the local cable or telephone company that provides your Internet signal. They charge you for content (TV shows) and Internet connectivity for emails, browsing, streaming, Skyping, etc. They complain that some of their competitors (Netflix, Amazon Video, Hulu, RedBox Instant, etc.) are using a lot of their bandwidth for streaming and they are in effect subsidizing their competitor's businesses. They are paying to deliver their competitors' content to you. Seems like a fair point.

But as someone who pays a small fortune to your local telco or cable company every month for Internet access, you might think to yourself, "I'm already paying for this connection. Why should I have to pay more just because I want to use my connection to download movies instead of looking at web pages?" Seems like a fair point too.

The current FCC regulations (1996 Telecommunications Act) says that the ISPs can't play favorites. The ISPs want these Internet hogs to pay them. This effectively makes their competitors their business partners. The federal court seems to agree this is OK. Congress is considering acting on this too.

The problem is that this could evolve into a fast and slow Internet. The fast Internet is for the ISPs and their rich partners. The slow Internet is for everyone else: no more neutrality. In fact, Netflix has already struck a deal with Comcast to become a business partner. While this might help assure fast streaming for Netflix customers, it might raise your Netflix fees too.

Folks against these changes are saying that Internet service is a utility, subject to responsibilities and oversight. The current ISPs are operating under agreements with federal, state and local entities that allowed them exclusive rights to the wires coming into your house in exchange for the considerable money they invested in this infrastructure. That's why there is usually only one set of cables or phone lines into your house.

It could be even more important. Let's say your cable company gets to decide who plays on the "fast Internet." What's to stop them from negatively affecting the speed and quality of service for a streaming broadcast of a political convention for a group they don't support? This is the slippery slope argument.

Like I said, this is complicated. One concern is that it may be too complicated for the Supreme Court, Congress and others who may be making the decisions. Mashable has an interesting article ranking our justices based on technical savvy after listening to the oral arguments in a recent hi-tech case.

If this debate has riled you up, get involved, call your representatives, sign a petition and attend a protest. If not...sit back, grab a brewsky, and binge watch House of Cards while it's still streaming relatively cheaply and fast.

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