PATRICK PEYTON

For many years, wise leaders have often reminded us that the most important decision we make when facing any challenge is the choice of our attitude.

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Permian road projects receive $50 million in federal grants.

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'THE LOVE ORCHARD'

Midlander Ty Roberts' film 'The Love Orchard" will open in theaters starting Feb. 22 with exclusive engagements in Dallas-Fort Worth and Midland-Odessa.

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USGS: Wolfcamp's 46.3B barrels shatters records

■ Operators active in play agree it has long-term potential

By Mella McEwen
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The potential of the Permian Basin's oil and gas resources continues to storm past any limits experts try to set.

Two years ago, the U.S. Geological Survey's updated assessment of the Wolfcamp shale in the Midland Basin broke records when it came in at 20 billion barrels of recoverable oil and 16 trillion cubic feet of natural gas, three times the 2013 assessment of the Bakken-Three Forks resources.

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Now, the Delaware Basin portion of the Wolfcamp shale is shattering that record. The USGS, part of the U.S. Department of the Interior, last week released its latest assessment of the Wolfcamp Shale and Bone Spring formations in the Delaware Basin, finding 46.3 billion barrels of oil, 281 trillion cubic feet of natural gas and 20 billion barrels of natural gas liquids.

This estimate is for continuous unconventional oil and consists of undiscovered, technically recoverable resources.

"Cimarex shares the USGS's optimism regarding the long-term potential of the Wolfcamp and Bone Spring formations," Thomas E. Jordan, president and CEO of Cimarex Energy, told the Reporter-Telegram in an email. "Like all resource plays, it will require smart and prudent development to make the promise a reality."

Anadarko Petroleum has been active in the Wolfcamp formation in Loving and Reeves counties.

"The vast majority of our development activity in the Delaware Basin is focused on the Wolfcamp-A formation, where we estimate we have more than 3 billion barrels of oil equivalent of recoverable resource on our acreage position," Chad McAllaster, Anadarko's vice president, Delaware Basin Development, told the Reporter-Telegram in an email. "We plan to invest about $1.4 billion in the Delaware Basin in 2019 and drill between 150 and 175 horizontal wells. The Wolfcamp is an incredibly exciting opportunity for us and a tremendous resource for U.S. energy supply and security."

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ROBERT'S ROUGH DAY



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Robert Wingfield, 15 months, is introduced to Santa Claus during the Christmas at the Mansion Open House on Saturday at the Museum of the Southwest. **More photos from the event appear on Page 2A.**

MFD experiencing increased call volumes this year

■ Booming economy related to more runs, chief says

By Simone Jasper
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Facing an increased call volume, the Midland Fire Department is making adjustments to continue serving the public. Chief Charles Blumenauer on Friday said his department is being creative in the midst of runs that are expected to reach a total of 18,000.

"I think it's a direct correlation to the boom our economy's experiencing," Blumenauer said. "The boom has definitely affected the streets. It's affected the water department. It's affected all of the departments in the city."

At MFD, the number of runs is up 13 percent after a dip in 2016. This year, the department is sending personnel in ambulances or fire trucks about 50 times each day.

"Out of those 50 runs, 45 of those runs are multi-unit runs," Blumenauer said. "That means I've got more than one vehicle going."

With that volume, Blumenauer said the department also is trying to catch up on personnel needs. New recruits could start working MFD shifts in about one or two months.

"We're cross-manning a couple of vehicles that we didn't normally cross man until we get this group," Blumenauer said. "We have 16 guys that are going through training right now."

Please see **MFD/6A**

Realtor.com: Midland is nation's hottest housing market

By Stewart Doreen
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There was no hotter housing market in the United States during the month of November than Midland.

Realtor.com reports Midland was No. 1 and that the Tall City and its neighbor to the west, Odessa, were the only two markets in Texas to be among the top 20 during the month.

Odessa finished fourth, behind Midland, Fort Wayne, Indiana, and Columbus, Ohio. In fifth was the Boston-Cambridge-Newton, Massachusetts-New Hampshire metropolitan statistical area, according to the website.

Realtor.com reports the hottest markets receive 1.4 to 2.4 times

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November's top 10 housing markets

1. Midland
2. Fort Wayne, Indiana
3. Columbus, Ohio
4. Odessa
5. Boston-Cambridge-Newton, Massachusetts-New Hampshire
6. Colorado Springs, Colorado
7. Sacramento-Roseville-Arden-Arcade, California
8. San Francisco-Oakland-Hayward, California
9. Detroit-Warren-Dearborn, Michigan
10. Boise City, Idaho

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Watching the George H.W Bush funeral train roll by **Page 1B**

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Iraan residents are using **Alley Oop** connection to try to energize the town. **Page 7A**

Word of the Day: unbeknown
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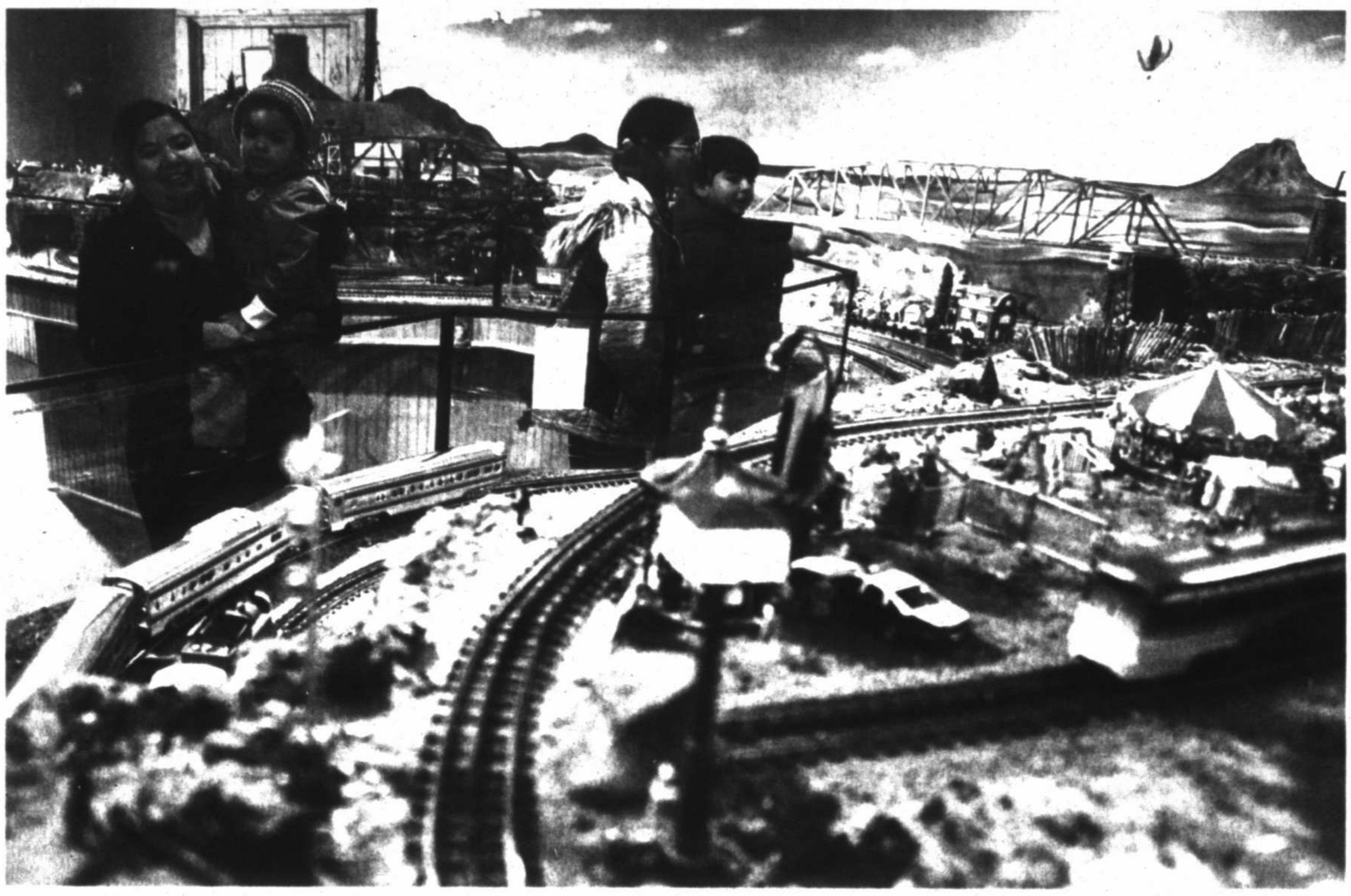
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CHRISTMAS AT THE MANSION

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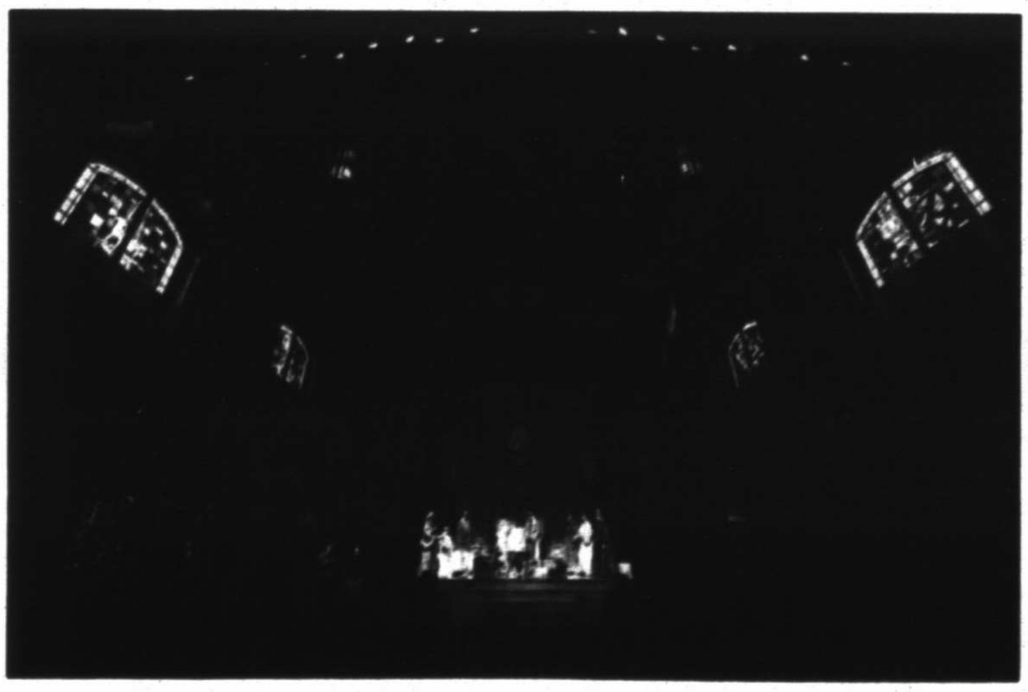
Visitors to Museum of the Southwest could view a model train display, listen to musical performances and tour the decorated facility Saturday during the Christmas at the Mansion Open House.



FBC'S LIVING NATIVITY

First Baptist Church presented its Living Nativity on Saturday morning. The annual program was changed this year to put the Christmas story into context for event attendees. Previously, the performers remained still and quiet while they played the roles of Mary, Joseph, shepherds and wise men on the night of Jesus' birth. This year, the Living Nativity actors describe the first Christmas from their characters' perspectives.

Photos by James Durbin | Reporter-Telegram







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adjective
1. unknown; unperceived; without one's knowledge.

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TODAYINMIDLAND

This date in Midland

On Dec. 9, 2013, The Midland Christian football team defeated Katy Pope John Paul XXIII, 28-20, to capture the program's third consecutive TAPPS title (and seventh overall). The Mustangs finished with its first undefeated season under head coach Greg McClendon.

Things to do

Today

■ Caring Santa features private photo sessions for families of children with special needs, 9:30-10:30 a.m., Midland Park Mall, 4511 N. Midkiff Road, simon.com.

■ Urban Brunch Market with local vendors and brunch menu from Bus 22, 10 a.m., 300 N. Colorado St.

■ Christmas Market with local vendors, free pictures with Santa Claus, appearances by Christmas Mickey and Minnie and more, noon-5 p.m., La Hacienda Event Center, 12610 State Highway 191. $3 admission.

■ Peppa Pig Live: "Peppa Pig's Surprise!" noon and 4 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $49.50-$99.50. wagnernoel.com.

■ Sunday Bounty Tournament, 1 p.m., KoJack's Poker Club, 3205 W. Cuthbert Ave. Membership required.

■ Bridge game play, 1:30 p.m., Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. $6. For more information call 682-8595.

■ "Junie B. Jones Jingle Bells, Batman Smells," 2:30 p.m., Permian Playhouse, 310 W. 42nd St., Odessa. $10. permianplayhouse.com.

■ "Elf," 2:30 p.m., Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. $28. mctmidland.org.

■ Piloxing: Glute Sculpt, 3:15 p.m., Lacy J. Pilates and Fitness Studio, 3211 W. Wadley Ave. $5. lacyjpilates.com.

■ Bingo Nights, 4 p.m., American Legion, 501 Veterans Airpark Lane. 682-5511.

■ "The King is Here: A Christmas Worship Musical," 6-8:30 p.m., First Baptist Church, 2104 W. Louisiana Ave. Free.

Monday

Christmas Wonderland Holiday Spectacular, 7:30 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $47-$90. broadwayinthebasin.com.

Tuesday

GINGERBREAD HAVEN



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Gingerbread Haven event benefitting Midland Fair Havens was Tuesday at Horseshoe Pavilion.

■ Christmas at the Mansion: A White Christmas luncheon, noon, Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. $50 individual, $375 table of eight. museumsw.org.

■ Winter Concert 2018: An Abell and Carver Orchestra Celebration, 7 p.m., Abell Junior High, 3201 Heritage Blvd.

Thursday

■ Pancakes and Pajamas: Don your pajama apparel for pancakes, live music and caroling. The event benefits MARC's Spectrum Solutions and is presented with Arts Council of Midland and Cliff's Food Wagon, 5:30 p.m., Miss Cayce's Christmas Store, 1012 Andrews Highway. misscayce.schristmas.com.

■ Christmas Rocks with the Brian Setzer Orchestra, 8 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $39.75-$89.75. wagnernoel.com.

Friday

Midland Community Band Christmas Concert, 7 p.m., Wagner Brown Auditorium at Midland College, 3600 N. Garfield St. Free.

Saturday

Pancakes with Santa by the Knights of Columbus, 6-8 p.m., St. Ann's Catholic Church, 1906 W. Texas Ave. Guests can listen to the story of St. Lucy, make an ornament for the church and have a picture taken with Santa.

Meetings this week

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

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

Today in history

Today is Sunday, Dec. 9, the 343rd day of 2018. There are 22 days left in the year.

On this date:

In 1935, the Downtown Athletic Club of New York honored college football player Jay Berwanger of the University of Chicago with the DAC Trophy, which later became known as the Heisman Trophy.

Source: Associated Press

Lottery

All or Nothing morning: 1-2-3-4-6-7-9-10-12-13-17-24
All or Nothing day: 2-3-4-6-8-9-13-14-19-22-23-24
All or Nothing evening: 1-2-6-8-9-11-15-17-21-22-23-24
Daily 4 morning: 5-5-6-7
Daily 4 day: 3-9-2-3
Daily 4 evening: 8-2-1-6
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Pick 3 day: 8-5-7
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Because of an earlier deadline, the night drawings were unavailable.

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Weather

Sunday's temperatures

High	41
Low	35
Normal high	59
Normal low	32

Dec. 8 records

High	83, set in 1977
Low	6, set in 2005

Precipitation

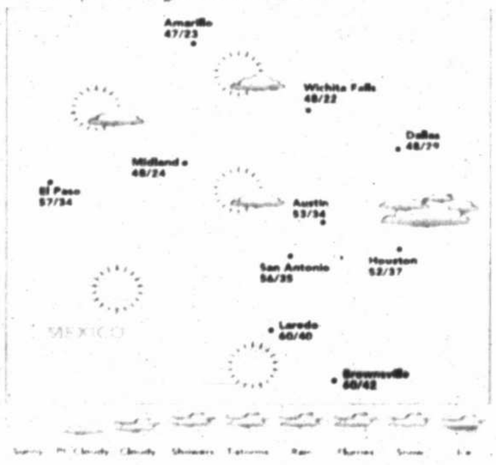
Saturday	0.19 inch
Friday	0.31 inch
Month total	0.05 inch
Year total	17.17 inches
Normal total (year to date)	14.16 inches

Winds

Wind speed	21 mph
Gust speed	25 mph

Today's forecast
High: 49
Low: 29

Forecast for Sunday, December 9, 2018



Conditions: Mostly sunny today/mostly clear tonight
Winds: Calm
Chance of rain: None
Sunrise: 7:38 a.m.
Sunset: 5:45 p.m.

Source: National Weather Service

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

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

A baby born today has a Sun in Sagittarius and a Moon in Capricorn.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Dec. 9, 2018: This year, you might be working through some issues involving self-discipline and organization. Understand that you can't help but lag at times. If you are single, someone you care about could find you to be a little crazy as you attempt to work through these issues. Someone you choose to be with now might not be the person you want to be with a year from now. If you are attached, your sweetie will support you in whatever you want to do. Know that you need to be just as nurturing with him or her. CAPRICORN has a lot of opinions.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ What is great about you is the way in which you accept and execute responsibility. Suddenly, you might find yourself in charge of a holiday gathering or event. Use your energy and imagination to ensure that a good time is had by all. **Tonight:** Let your hair down.
This Week: Friends and meetings dominate your days.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ You could be unaware of how demanding you are. You also might be somewhat remote and distant. Do not be surprised if a loved one tries to provoke an argument in order to encourage you to focus on him or her. Consider scheduling a getaway. **Tonight:** Where your mind can drift.
This Week: Others count on you to "keep it together."

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ One-on-one relating seems to be extremely gratifying to you at the present moment. Whether you are wrapping presents with someone, watching a holiday movie or even just enjoying a glass of eggnog, you radiate contentment. **Tonight:** Togetherness is the theme.
This Week: Your mind wanders to taking off on a spontaneous trip.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You could be close to your limit with handling holiday errands and to-dos. Distract yourself for the day and grab your favorite person. Go off to the movies together. Indulge in a non-holiday activity. Once more, you will feel renewed. **Tonight:** Did you hang the mistletoe?
This Week: You work best with individuals, not groups.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Dive into the day with the intention of clearing out as much as you possibly can. Your pace could be unusually hectic, leaving you with little time to just gaze at holiday decorations. What you complete could free you up for more time to enjoy the holiday. **Tonight:** Relax at home.
This Week: Others seek you out.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ You could be trying to lift someone's spirits, but be careful, as you might drain yourself in the process. Take better care of yourself in general. Go off and take a brisk walk with the dog or go skating. You will feel much better. **Tonight:** Let the other party make the first move.
This Week: Wrap up as much as you can by Thursday, when a distraction appears.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ You might be more anchored than you realize. When someone encourages you to try something totally new, your answer easily could be "no." Your routine and habits stabilize you, but you also love adventure. Go for it, even if it is not on your terms. **Tonight:** Order in.
This Week: You feel like a kid again.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ Your intensity melts others' resistance quickly. The question remains: Do you want to charm them into being more responsive? You like intensity. You understand that to feel good, you sometimes need to feel bad. Let a friend have some space. **Tonight:** Off with a loved one.
This Week: Get involved in a domestic matter.

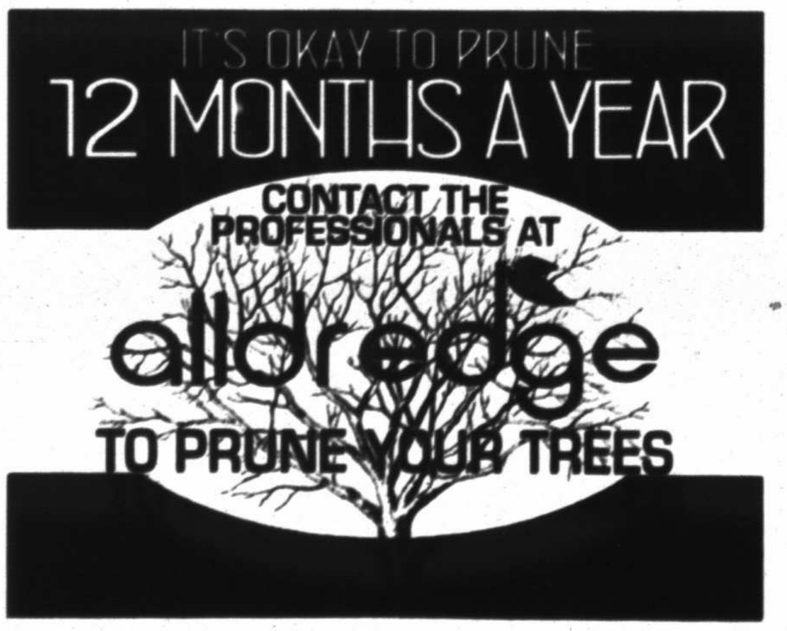
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ Be aware of your discipline when it comes to indulgences. You could discover that making something a habit might take some time. As long as you are willing to go overboard, go for it. A family member actually could decide to join you. **Tonight:** No regrets — just do what you must.
This Week: You do not want to be accused of gossiping.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ Wherever you are, others wish they were too. You seem to let go of the seriousness you are usually associated with. Confusion surrounds your plans or a conversation. For some reason, the situation suddenly hits you as hysterical. **Tonight:** Out on the town.
This Week: Keep a close eye on your spending.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ Vanish for a day. Do not be findable. With the holidays approaching, you have a built-in excuse. You might need some downtime alone or with one special person. Keep a lid on your spending, and you will be a lot happier in the long run. **Tonight:** Mystery becomes you.
This Week: You are the cat's meow through Wednesday.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★★ A particular group of friends is serious-minded, but they are fun to be with. Get together with this particular circle and toss yourself into what is happening. You might want to hear some holiday music, so make it a possibility. **Tonight:** Forget self-discipline, and go for the moment.
This Week: Not being available will make you more desired.

BORN TODAY
Actor Kirk Douglas (1916), actress Judi Dench (1934), actor John Malkovich (1953)



RRC considers restrictions on wastewater disposal

By Ryan Collins and David Wethe
Bloomberg

Texas is considering new restrictions on how shale explorers dispose of wastewater from oil drilling as earthquakes rattle the largest oil-producing American state.

The new rules would target how much and at what pressure briny water that emerges from oil wells is injected back into the ground, Jared Craighead, chief of staff for the Texas Railroad Commission, said by telephone Wednesday. The rules haven't been finalized amid ongoing talks that include representatives from academia and the shale industry.

The restrictions may be released within weeks, Craighead said. A negative side effect of the shale boom has been a huge increase in volumes of contaminated water that are typically disposed of in so-called injection wells. In cases where those wells touch fault lines, earthquakes have flourished. Neighboring Oklahoma began clamping down on injection wells in recent years after a massive increase in the number and intensity of quakes.

"We're being very diligent and sensitive to concerns regarding seismicity," Craighead said. "We are definitely doing things to provide more scientific basis for our decisions as it relates to permitting saltwater disposal."

Oklahoma forced oil explorers to throttle back the speed and volume of their wastewater disposal after earthquakes measuring at least 3.0 surged from two in 2008 to about 900 seven years later. In some cases, state regulators ordered disposal wells there to shut completely.

Quakes triple

In the Permian Basin, where America's busiest oil patch produces enough dirty water in a year to cover Rhode Island nearly a foot deep, the costly treatment and disposal has given rise to a more specialized water-handling industry.

At the same time, earthquakes measuring at least 2.5 in the Permian region of West Texas and New Mexico have tripled to more than 60 in a year, according to the U.S. Geological Survey. The Permian hosts more than half of all the rigs drilling for crude in the U.S., according to Baker Hughes.

"The Texas Oil & Gas Association continues to be supportive of research and actions that are rooted in sound methodology, which is essential to understanding natural and induced seismicity and to inform science-based policy," Todd Staples, president of the association, said in an emailed statement. "Use of existing tax revenue for important research on issues such as this is a worthwhile and warranted investment."

The commission is particularly interested in Reeves County in the epicenter of Permian shale, Craighead said. The county is home to wells drilled by marquee explorers such as EOG Resources Inc., Concho Resources Inc. and Occidental Petroleum Corp.

Representatives of EOG, Concho and Occidental didn't respond to messages seeking comment.

WOLFCAMP

From 1A

Stephen Robertson, executive vice president of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association, said the signs for the basin's potential have been there for a long time.

"The fact is that Reeves County, which in the heart of that play, is running more rigs than any other county in the nation and has been doing that for quite a while," he said. "The people out here know that it's there and it really is that improvement of the technologies and the increased efficiencies allowing people the ability to actually be able to access it and produce it."

Producers throughout the Permian were closely watching Friday's developments and there were no indications of things slowing down in the oilfields. Still, a main factor is price.

"If the price drops to a point where it's not economical, then it doesn't matter if it's there. It's not going to be produced," Robertson said.

This assessment was the survey's first of continuous resources in the Delaware's Wolfcamp and Bone Spring formations. In 2016, when the USGS conducted its assessment in the Midland Basin portion, it was the largest such assessment the survey had conducted. This Delaware Basin assessment is more than double the Midland Basin.

In May 2017, the USGS released an updated assessment of the Spraberry formation in the Midland Basin, finding it has 4.2 billion barrels of technically recoverable oil and 3.1 trillion cubic feet of natural gas.

In a statement releasing the results of the Delaware Basin survey, Walter Guidroz, program coordinator of the USGS Energy Resources Program, said, "The results we've released today demonstrate the impact that improved technologies such as hydraulic fracturing and directional drilling have had on increasing the estimates of undiscovered, technically recoverable continuous (i.e., unconventional) resources."

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

Law firm archives capture George H.W. Bush's oil industry career

By John Roper
Houston Chronicle

Never-before published personal correspondence from George H.W. Bush in the archives of Houston law firm Baker Botts capture a period in the late president's life that is often overshadowed by his political accomplishments: his career as a risk-taking entrepreneur who helped revolutionize the offshore oil and gas industry in the Gulf of Mexico.

Baker Botts represented Bush and his company from his days as a young wildcatter in West Texas through their expansion into offshore drilling to Bush's entry into public life. The more than 100 letters and other correspondence from roughly the early 1950s into the mid-'60s underscore Bush's reputation as a prolific letter writer who used his flair for writing, sense of humor and ability to empathize to forge connections that lasted a lifetime.

Even routine legal work — for which Bush was paying, of course — would prompt a thank-you note.

An Oct. 10, 1955, letter to Baine Kerr, a partner at the firm who, with his wife, Mildred, would become close friends of the Bushes, was sent ostensibly as a thank-you to acknowledge the receipt of some legal documents. But the letter soon shifts to the personal, showing graciousness with a bit of lighthearted banter.

"The Bushes agree that Saturday's trip to Galveston was good fun, so pump a few Dramamine pills into Mildred and we will take out for the good ship Nola I on our next visit," Bush wrote in the signed note.

The Nola I was a drill-ship used in the Gulf of Mexico by Bush's company, Zapata Corp., which was created in 1953 to explore for oil in the Permian Basin and named after the movie, "Viva Zapata!" starring Marlon Brando.

Shortly after the company was formed, Bush and his business partner, J. Hugh Liedtke, created an offshore arm. Liedtke ran the onshore business, which later became Pennzoil; Bush operated the offshore where he employed the newest technology to explore the Gulf of Mexico.

Legal documents in the Baker Botts archive outline Bush's adoption of what were then the latest innovations, such as jack-up rigs, which have legs lowered to the ocean floor from the platform, and floating rigs, which are sometimes tethered to the seafloor.

"This mobile drilling platform is designed to permit operation in waters as deep as 80 feet and constitutes a complete self-contained unit capable of moving from one location to another when drilling is completed," according to documents on March 31, 1955, related to Zapata's first stock offering.

The 1950s were pivotal for Bush, who had turned his back on a potential career on Wall Street that could have been bolstered by his wealthy and well-connected family on the East Coast. Instead, he sought to make it on his own in the oil business.

Daniel Yergin, the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of "The Prize: The Epic Quest for Oil, Money, and Power (1991)," said Bush was a risk-taker at the forefront of the post-World War II energy boom, helping to invent the offshore industry, which began around 1947.

"He was kind of a frontiersman when it came to America's booming oil industry after World War II and he was willing to take chances," Yergin said. "He wasn't playing for safety."

Bush, in addition to his charm, could be very businesslike, the Baker Botts letters show. Following a lawsuit in 1957, Bush sent Kerr a letter on Zapata stationery reminding him to discuss a small settlement with the firm Andrews Kurth:

"Dear Blaine: Just a reminder to ask you to call Andrews Kurth and try to settle the bill. Anything you work out will be satisfactory. My frank feeling is that the $1500 is too high, but if we can do no better I guess we had better pay for it."

But Bush never seemed to miss an occasion to say thank you — or needle a friend. He sent this letter to Kerr on Dec. 17, 1956:

"We Zapatas have been tremendously dependent upon your good advice during the past year and it is sufficient to say that Liedtke and I ... are tremendously appreciative of the good counsel you have given the company," Bush wrote. "I plan to be in Houston this week. Wayne (Dean) tells me there is to be an office party Friday afternoon and I will stay over for that. Please plan to attend if you are still sober."

Bill Kroger, who leads the Baker Botts' energy practice and acts as the firm's historian, said this period was crucial to forming the political leader that history will remember. Bush's letters show that he remained kind, gentle polite and caring even as he dove into the fiercely competitive oil business, where fortunes could be lost as easily as won.

"He had so much experience running a company and dealing with all the issues you have in oil and gas exploration, with new technology, working with people, working with the bankers and the lawyers," said Kroger. "That time of his life is underappreciated as his business acumen and business skill."

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Heidi Kirk and John Trischitti discuss education topics during an MRT Facebook live forum at Brew St. Bakery on Nov. 26. They are in a run-off for the Midland ISD District 5 seat. The election is Tuesday.

Tuesday is decision day for MISD District 5

■ Kirk, Trischitti compete in runoff election

From staff reports

The 2018 election season comes to an end Tuesday when Midland ISD District 5 voters elect their representative to the school board.

Heidi Kirk and John Trischitti are on the ballot for the runoff after the Nov. 6 general election. Kirk received 2,551 votes and Trischitti was second with 2,053. Kirk didn't receive more than 50 percent of the total, forcing the runoff.

Kirk is a former school teacher and is endorsed by the conservative Empower Texans organization and by Thomas Wolfmueller, who finished third in District 5 in the general election. Trischitti is the director of the Midland County Public Library. He is endorsed by Midland Students First.

The Midland County Elections Office reports 641 people voted during the two weeks of early voting. Another 141 ballots were mailed in as of Friday.

Editor's Note: Readers can go to mrt.com to see op-eds from the candidates on teacher retention, academic performance, perceptions of the district and comments about the current superintendent. A runoff forum between the two candidates also took place Nov. 26 and is posted at mrt.com

MISD runoff election

Time & date: 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday

Locations: Midland County Annex Courtroom, 2110 N. "A" St.; Fellowship Community Church, 5206 N. Midland Drive; and Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 5110 N. Garfield St.

What is MISD District 5?

District 5 is located in central and north Midland and includes Early College High School, Goddard Junior High, San Jacinto Junior High, Emerson Elementary and Santa Rita Elementary. Some prominent areas/developments include Midland College, Racquet Club, the heavy growth area east and west of State Highway 191, north of Loop 250 and Saddle Club and the Midland Polo Fields.

Former educator would bring unique perspective to board



HEIDI KIRK
District 5 candidate

Three months ago, running for an elected office was not in my sights. It was not something I ever really wanted to do. As a matter of fact, I have been known to say that the people who we want to run would never really do so because of what they would subject themselves and their families to.

Nevertheless, here we are now. I am running for school board to represent the constituents in District 5, the teachers and staff in our schools, the students and the parents, and to help heal a broken district.

What changed? I spoke at a board meeting and a parent heard me speak positively about the desperate need for change and the positive approach I believe we should take to fix it. I offered myself up as a willing participant to work for that change. I spoke of the need to partner with the district as we call for changes to the system.

Even at that time, I spoke of the need for the community to rise up and participate in the transformation we are calling for. Now, at this time, I speak to the community about the need for the village to rise up and help bring change. As a parent of six ve different children, I understand, very deeply, parents' concerns about their children's needs not being met in school.

As a former teacher, I understand the need for a cultural transformation within our schools and district to create a place where teachers, students, and staff feel safe, valued, and empowered to be the best versions of themselves.

As a lifelong learner who is not a traditional student, I understand the need for academic accountability and balance in meeting the needs of a diverse student population and a changing 21st century world.

And, as a community member and businesswoman, I understand the need for fiscal accountability to build trust with the taxpayers and create a fiscally responsible bond to meet the growing district's needs.

I am a parent. I am an educator. I am a community member. I am committed to education. When I speak of education, I don't speak of my passion for it, although I am passionate about it. Instead, I speak of my commitment to it. I speak of my family's roots in education and its importance. I speak of my experience as a university enrollment and finance advisor, as a high school English teacher, as a non-traditional lifelong student, as a special-needs and gifted and talented parent, and as a community volunteer who spends time and money in our schools.

I have a unique perspective to bring to the board. I truly am MISD, not because of the school board election, but because it's what I do. We spend our time doing the things we value. I value MISD. I spend my time in MISD.

And, I believe in the power our community has to bring change to MISD. I am known to ask the tough questions because I asked them as a teacher, as a community member, and as a parent.

Now, you have the power to help me ask those questions as a member of the school board. #ItsTimeWeHadATeacher

And, to be honest, it's time we had so much more. Vote for me, Heidi Kirk, if you are ready for change.

We need leaders who understand role, produces positive results



JOHN TRISCHITTI
District 5 candidate

I am seeking to serve the community in the capacity of MISD Trustee District 5 because I am a believer in the power that education can have on a student's life and I want that opportunity for all students in our community. I see our best years are ahead of us for public education in Midland.

As the Director of the Midland County Public Libraries and a father of five public school children, I have seen the impact education can have on a life. I am the only candidate with extensive experience working for and with a taxing entity and understand government budgeting and board governance. I have served on boards for local and state nonprofits, including Midland Need to Read and the Salvation Army and currently serving on the Midland Airport Board, and I am also a Texas PTA Life member.

All of these experiences have prepared me to serve the community in the role of school board member. As the district and community move forward, we face challenges from facilities and how to handle larger-than-average growth, to the recruitment and retention of talented people to be teachers and leaders for the next generation of Midland community members.

The next few years are going to be vital as we face the potential of a school bond to deal with long-term infrastructure and capacity issues, continue to work toward a being a "System of Great Schools" and have accountability to the community. The Midland community is known for its "Midland Spirit" using hard work, honesty and collaboration to address issues, no matter how daunting they appear to be. A quality public education is something that we can provide to every student, and should. We will need leaders that understand their role and can immediately affect positive results. Understanding the role of the school board is vital to the success of the district. Allowing teachers to teach, supporting decisions made at the campus level and belief in the bottom up model of education are going to be key in the coming years as this district continues to evolve to meet the demands of this generation of students.

I envision a public education system in Midland that is meeting the needs of every student and equipping them for all avenues of life. Whether that be higher education, career, vocational training, military service or another path, we need to be giving students the best possible opportunities and supporting educators by providing the tool necessary to make that a reality.

I respectfully ask for your vote this Tuesday.

Houston ISD trustee thinks incentives should be evaluated

By Jacob Carpenter
Houston Chronicle

Houston ISD has spent millions of dollars on incentive pay and bonuses during the last two years to recruit and retain more high-quality teachers at it longest-struggling campuses.



Adams

It has not worked.

The salary incentives have had virtually no impact on shifting highly-rated teachers to schools covered under HISD's Achieve 180 campus turnaround initiative, where students historically have performed worse academically under the tutelage of lower-scoring educators, according to staffing data provided by HISD.

As a result, students in HISD's 40-plus Achieve 180 schools remain twice as likely as peers in non-Achieve 180 campuses to have teachers rated "ineffective" or "needs improvement." They also are half as likely to have a teacher rated "highly effective."

HISD spent $6.87 million on teacher incentives tied to Achieve 180 in 2017-18, and it is expected to spend a similar amount this year.

Big bonuses, no change

"Whatever we're doing, teachers are not biting," said HISD Trustee Wanda Adams, one of six school board members who has approved budgets with dedicated funding for Achieve 180. "I think we need to revisit those incentives. Just like any evaluation, if I want to give you a bonus, there needs to be a reason why we give that bonus."

Even with little change in the distribution of teachers by rating, Achieve 180 received mostly positive reviews after its first year. Seven campuses earned a "B"-level grade from the state, and 15 met Texas academic standards after missing the mark last year. At the same time, 10 of the 42 fell short of state standards, and many posted progress scores well below state averages.

In an effort to improve academic performance at the district's lowest-performing campuses, former HISD superintendent Richard Carranza pitched Achieve 180 as his signature campus turnaround plan in the spring of 2017, asking trustees for $22 million in dedicated funding. Board members ultimately approved $16 million for the initiative.

Achieve 180 encompassed many reforms designed to raise student achievement, including replacing several campus principals, implementing more professional development opportunities for teachers and hiring dozens more staff focused on students' social welfare and emotional needs.

A key pillar of Achieve 180 also involved "selective hiring, development, compensation and strategic assignment of talented teachers" to those campuses, which traditionally have been staffed with less experienced and lower-rated educators. To entice higher-rated educators to work in Achieve 180 schools, HISD offered $5,000 bonuses to all nearly all teachers employed at those campuses. District officials did not tie the incentive to any performance metrics.

Headed into 2017-18, the first year of implementation, HISD saw dramatic staffing turnover in Achieve 180 campuses through a combination of attrition and strategic staffing moves. Twenty-five of the 42 schools covered under Achieve 180 in its first year replaced at least 40 percent of their employees. Several campuses saw turnover exceeding 60 percent.

However, HISD officials did not require new teachers to possess a "highly effective" rating before moving into an Achieve 180 campus.

"That was the intent at first, but when it really got down to it, it was difficult to hire at Achieve 180 campuses," said HISD Area Superintendent Felicia Adams, who assumed oversight of the initiative this school year. "Many of the teachers that needed to be attracted to those schools, that ($5,000) amount was not attractive."

A request to interview Interim Superintendent Grenita Lathan, who served as HISD's chief academic officer during the initial implementation of Achieve 180, was not granted.

In a written statement, HISD officials noted some highly effective teachers were promoted to administrative positions, and fears of campus closures tied to chronically low performance may have exacerbated turnover at the Achieve 180 schools.

INEQUITY IN THE CLASSROOM

Instead of filling positions with high-scoring teachers, HISD replaced outgoing educators with others possessing virtually identical ratings under the district's Teacher Appraisal and Development System. The evaluation tool assigns teachers one of four ratings — "highly effective," "effective," "needs improvement" or "ineffective" — based on administrators' observations of performance and student academic growth. The growth component has not been factored in for the past two years as the district crafts a new evaluation system.

From the year before Achieve 180 through the second year of the initiative, there has been virtually no change in the percentage of teachers rated "highly effective" at Achieve 180 campuses.

In 2016-17, about 12.7 percent of teachers employed at those schools were rated "highly effective" based on their performance in 2015-16. The following year, when HISD started offering the $5,000 bonuses, 13.5 percent of teachers working at Achieve 180 schools were deemed "highly effective" based on their performance in 2016-17. This year, 12.8 percent of educators in Achieve 180 were rated "highly effective" under the evaluation system.

By contrast, roughly 28 percent to 31 percent of teachers in non-Achieve 180 schools have been rated "highly effective" during the past three years.

The same stagnation is found in the share of teachers at Achieve 180 schools rated "needs improvement" or "ineffective" over that stretch: 16.4 percent in 2016-17; 14.2 percent in 2017-18; 15.5 percent in 2017-18. In non-Achieve 180 schools, roughly 7 percent to 11 percent of teachers have been rated "needs improvement" or "ineffective" during that time.

Large, urban school districts typically struggle to entice higher-quality teachers to work in their highest-poverty schools, where students typically present greater academic and behavioral challenges. As a result, many of the students with the greatest academic needs are taught by educators with less experience and natural ability, exacerbating long-standing achievement gaps.

Despite this widely known phenomenon, only a third of 123 large school districts surveyed by the National Council on Teacher Quality offer salary bonuses to educators working in high-need schools. Even fewer have successfully implemented incentive structures that move the needle, said Hannah Putman, the council's managing director of research.

"I think you're starting to hear more and more about equitable access to teachers," Putman said. "I don't think there's enough research to say which types of incentives are most effective or, with monetary incentives, how much they have to be. That being said, there's a lot of research supporting the idea that incentives do work."

A few districts have received praise in recent years for moving more highly-rated teachers into high-need schools, proving the effort can work. In Dallas ISD, for example, the district made several major changes at six of its longest-struggling campuses to entice highly-rated teachers, while also offering incentives ranging from $6,000 to $12,000. In 2014-15, the year before instituting the reforms, 25 percent of teachers at those schools were rated "proficient" or better. This year, it is 75 percent.

MPD chief finalists to meet with members of public

From staff report

Anyone wanting to hear from the three finalists for Midland Police Department chief will have a chance this week.


Herman

The city of Midland and MPD will host a community reception 5:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Midland Municipal Courthouse. Members of the public will have the opportunity to ask questions of each candidate, according to a press release from the city.

Before the reception, the finalists will participate in three rounds of interviews with members of law enforcement, city management and others, according to the city.

The three finalists for police chief are:

- Seth Herman, current interim police chief for the Midland Police Department;
- Jimmie Sevey, chief for the Nacogdoches Police department;
- Phillip Smith Jr., chief of the Roswell Police Department.

Herman, Sevey, and Smith were selected as finalists from more than 34 applicants for the position.

The department has been without a permanent chief since April, when the city fired then-chief Steve Henry after learning of the results of an investigation by Cotton Bledsoe Tighe & Dawson. City spokeswoman Elana Ladd told the Reporter-Telegram at the time that the investigation found Henry violated personnel policies, specifically those dealing with harassment.

Henry was on the job less than three months before being placed on administrative leave due to the investigation.

Herman will continue leading the police department until a new chief is selected.

Crime of the week

Midland Crime Stoppers and the Midland Police Department need help solving a burglary.

Two people broke into the Security Bank Ballpark on Dec. 1. They caused damage to the baseball field, several gates, a golf cart and attempted to steal the cash register. The suspects appear to be in their late teens or early 20s, one of them is sporting a "pineapple" man bun.

If you have any information on these suspects and your tip leads to an arrest, you could earn a $1,000 cash reward. Caller ID is never used, and you always remain anonymous. Call 694-TIPS (8477) or use mobile app P3 TIPS.

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Ramirez

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Virginia city seeks healing after man's murder conviction

By Denise LaVoie
Associated Press

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — Civil rights activists in this Virginia city say they hope the first-degree-murder conviction of a man who drove into a group of counterprotesters at a white nationalist rally in 2017 will help with healing their violence-scarred community.

In convicting James Alex Fields Jr. of first-degree murder, a state jury on Friday rejected defense arguments that the 21-year-old defendant had acted in self-defense during a "Unite the Right" rally in Charlottesville on Aug. 12, 2017. Jurors also convicted Fields of eight other charges, including aggravated malicious wounding and hit and run.

The jury will reconvene Monday to recommend a sentence. Under Virginia law, jurors can recommend from 20 years to life in prison on the first-degree murder charge.

Fields is eligible for the death penalty if convicted of separate federal hate crime charges. No trial has been scheduled yet.

During trial, jurors heard that Fields drove to Virginia from his home in Maumee, Ohio, to support the white nationalists. As a large group of counter-protesters marched through Charlottesville singing and laughing, he stopped his car, backed up, then sped into the crowd, according to testimony from witnesses and video surveillance shown to jurors.

Prosecutors said Fields was angry after witnessing violent clashes between the two sides earlier in the day. The violence prompted police to shut down the rally before it even officially began.

Heather Heyer, a 32-year-old paralegal, was killed, and nearly three dozen others were injured. The trial featured emotional testimony from survivors who described devastating injuries and long, complicated recoveries.

After the verdict was read, some of those who had been injured embraced Heyer's mother, Susan Bro. She left the courthouse without commenting.

Charlottesville City Councilor Wes Bellamy said he hopes the verdict "allows our community to take another step toward healing and moving forward."

Charlottesville civil rights activist Tanesha Hudson said she sees the guilty verdict as the city's way of saying, "We will not tolerate this in our city."

"We don't stand for this type of hate," she said.

White nationalist Richard Spencer, who had been scheduled to speak at the Unite the Right rally, described the verdict as a "miscarriage of justice."

"I am sadly not shocked, but I am appalled by this," he told The Associated Press of Field's conviction. "He was treated as a terrorist from the get-go."

Spencer popularized the term "alt-right" to describe a fringe movement loosely mixing white nationalism, anti-Semitism and other far-right extremist views. He said he doesn't feel any personal responsibility for the violence.

"Absolutely not," he said. "As a citizen, I have a right to protest. I have a right to speak. That is what I came to Charlottesville to do."

The far-right rally had been organized in part to protest the planned removal of a statue of Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee. Hundreds of Ku Klux Klan members, neo-Nazis and other white nationalists — emboldened by the election of President Donald Trump — streamed into the college town for one of the largest gatherings of white supremacists in a decade.

According to one of his former teachers, Fields was known in high school for being fascinated with Nazism and idolizing Adolf Hitler. Jurors were shown a text message he sent to his mother days before the rally that included an image of the notorious German dictator.

During one of two recorded phone calls Fields made to his mother from jail in the months after he was arrested, he told her he had been mobbed "by a violent group of terrorists" at the rally. In another, Fields referred to the mother of the woman who was killed as a "communist" and "one of those anti-white supremacists."

Prosecutors also showed jurors a meme Fields posted on Instagram three months before the rally in which bodies are shown being thrown into the air after a car hits a crowd of people identified as protesters. He posted the meme publicly to his Instagram page.

But Fields' lawyers told the jury that he drove into the crowd on the day of the rally because he feared for his life and was "scared to death" by earlier violence he had witnessed. A video of Fields being interrogated after the crash showed him sobbing and hyperventilating after he was told a woman had died and others were seriously injured.

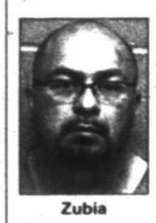
Wednesday Bowie, who was struck by Fields' car and suffered a broken pelvis and other injuries, said she was gratified by the guilty verdict.

"This is the best I've been in a year and a half," Bowie said.

Midlander sentenced to 30 years in child enticement case

From staff reports

A 44-year-old Midland man was sentenced Thursday to 30 years in prison, followed by five years of supervised release, for attempting to entice a minor into engaging in sexual activity, according to a press release from the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Western District of Texas.


Zubia

U.S. District Judge David Counts also ordered that Jose Alonso Zubia pay a $10,000 special assessment to the Crime Victims Fund.

Zubia pleaded guilty on July 23 to one count of attempted enticement of a minor, one count of distribution of child pornography and one count of possession with intent to distribute cocaine.

Federal and local law enforcement authorities arrested Zubia on May 1, when he arrived for a sexual encounter with a 14-year-old he met online and the minor's 12-year-old friend, according to court records.

Zubia was in possession of cocaine, which he told law enforcement officers he intended to provide to the children. Zubia also said he had previously sent videos depicting child pornography to the 14-year-old, according to the release.

FBI: Man charged in kidnapping, death of teen

LUMBERTON, N.C. (AP) — Police have arrested and charged a man with killing a 13-year-old girl who was kidnapped last month from a North Carolina mobile home park.

The FBI said early Saturday that Michael Ray McLellan has been charged in connection with the kidnapping and murder of Hania Noelia Aguilar. The announcement comes the same day that a memorial service for Aguilar is set to take place at a local high school.

Housing

From 1A

the number of views per property compared to the national average. Also, in terms of supply, these markets are seeing inventory move 12 to 33 days more quickly than the rest of the U.S. Lastly, the median time spent on the market is four days less for the hottest markets on average from last November, according to the website.

The rankings show that for homes sold in November, the median number of days on the market was 44, which was 16 fewer days than November 2017. The website also shows that views on properties increased 9 percent year-over-year and that the median listing price in Midland was $358,450 – a 20 percent increase year-over-year.

Odessa appeared to match Midland across the board. Realtor.com reports a home sold in November stayed on the market 42 days, which was 29 fewer days than November 2017. The website also showed views on properties increased 39 percent year-over-year, and the $266,450 median listing price was an increase of 26 percent year-over-year.

Odessa and Midland were the only MSAs in Realtor.com's top 20 to post listing price percentage increases of 20 percent or more. The rankings also show Midland's year-over-year rankings changed by 20 spots. Odessa's changed by 111.

November figures from the Texas A&M Real Estate Center and Permian Basin Board of Realtors have not been released. In October, the PBBOR reported the average days on the market was 22 and a median listing price of $299,900. Nearly all PBBOR statistics for October showed Midland's housing market favoring the seller year-over-year.

MFD

From 1A

Typically, the hiring process involved bringing in people who had certification, according to Blumenauer. The chief said the department is behind this year and reached out to non-certified personnel.

"We're doing all the .. training — from coming off the street knowing nothing to getting the fire certification and EMT," he said.

Another effort is helping address EMS-related call volumes, which make up about 84 percent of total runs. Blumenauer said the community health program helps people navigate the health care system and has decreased call volume for enrolled patients.

"(It) keeps that flow out of the ER — puts my ambulance back in service faster so it can be ready for the heart attack or the car wreck, those things," Blumenauer said.

Though not directly addressed Friday, the MFD's adjustments come as the Texas Workforce Commission reports the Midland metropolitan statistical area has the lowest unemployment rate in the state.

Another factor during this economic period is a jump in building activity, according to Fire Marshal James Howard. He said his office becomes busy with reviewing plans and inspecting.

"With more activity, we have more businesses opening and more volume of stuff out there," Howard said. "It definitely increases our workload."

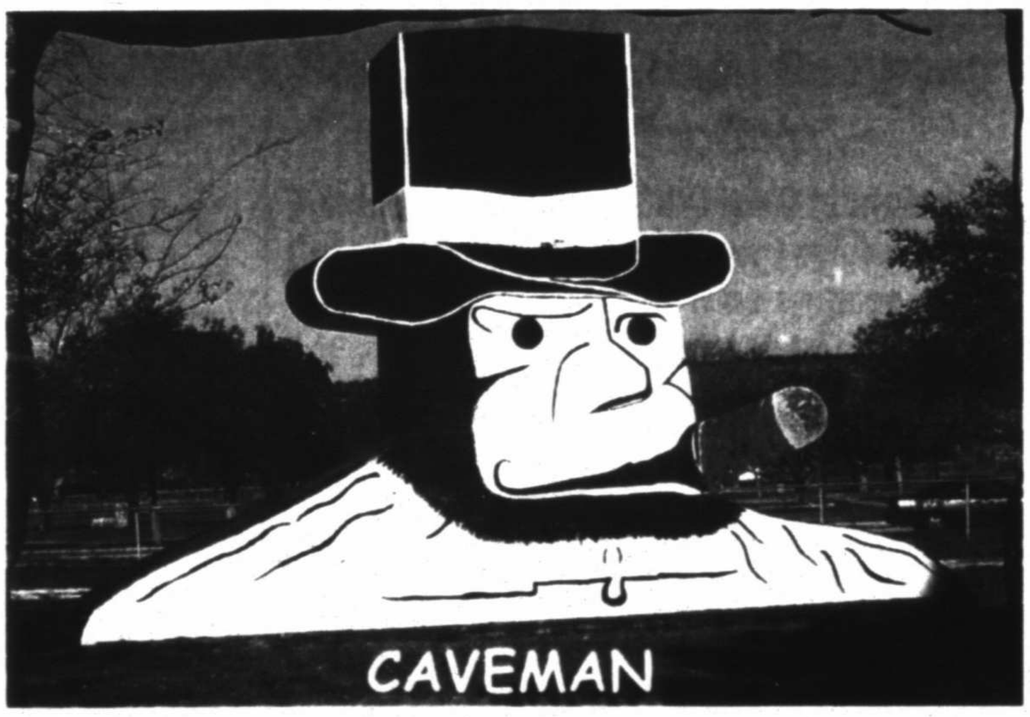
He and Blumenauer shared comments during presentations and interviews on MFD Media Day. The event offered opportunities for reporters to put on firefighting gear and participate in a training exercise. Visit mrt.com to watch video coverage.





Alley Oop was still a popular comic-strip character when the little West Texas town of Iraan inaugurated its city park in 1965.

Photos by Joe Holley



Iraan residents tried to energize town with Alley Oop connection



NATIVE TEXAN
By Joe Holley

IRAAN —

Two signs along the road of life that you've been left on the shoulder: 1) The furniture you grew up with is now ensconced in museums under the catch-phrase midcentury modern; 2) A passing remark about "Alley Oop" is met with a blank stare.

I suppose a museum is as good a place as any for a Formica kitchen table, circa 1956 — we had a pink one, with gray swirls — but anyone who ever sprawled across the living-room floor perusing the Sunday comic-strip adventures of the loincloth-wearing caveman from the Kingdom of Moo knows that he deserves a new generation of fans.

Two points of fact before we get into why this little West Texas town off the beaten track, in the middle of nowhere — whatever isolation cliché you want to use — has ties to a cigar-smoking, top hat-wearing troglodyte:

First, it's pronounced Ira-Ann, not Iran (as in the nation President Donald Trump loves to hate). The Texas town, population about 1,200, is named after Ira and Ann Yates, who became instant millionaires in 1926 when their hardscrabble ranch became the most prolific oil field in America, perhaps the world.

Second, mention Alley Oop to anyone under, say, 40, and only basketball fans will presume to know what you're talking about. They'll know that an "alley oop" is a looping pass, usually from a point guard out front, in the general direction of a big man near the basket who leaps, catches and dunks in one motion. That's not Iraan's alley oop connection.

That connection dates to the late 1920s when Iowa native Victor Trout Hamlin was working as a young oil-company cartographer around Iraan, the newly sprouted boomtown. Hamlin's day job was to make terrain sketches for well locations, but what struck his fancy were fossils being dug up before drilling, fossils that were simply trucked away and dumped somewhere.

As a kid he'd drawn cavemen and dinosaurs, but as an adult he filled in the details with Alley Oop and his pals, including a winsome girlfriend named Miss Moola and a loyal pet dinosaur named Dinny. Hamlin — who studied journalism at Drake University and had worked briefly as a Houston Press photographer — managed to get "Alley Oop" syndicated. The comic strip made its newspaper debut on Dec. 5, 1932, and would soon be a funny-paper staple, appearing at its peak in some 800 newspapers around the country. (Alley Oop is an English variation on the French phrase for "Let's go!")

Oop making a comeback

Hamlin produced the strip until his retirement in 1971. A series of artists continued his work until earlier this year, when it went on hiatus. Alley Oop fans worried that their beetle-browed buddy was gone forever, lost to pre-history, so to speak, but the New York Times reported recently that he'll be back after the first of the year. A new creative team will tell the tale of Oop and friends six days a week and on Sundays will shift to the story of Li'l Oop, a new, pre-teen version set in Alley Oop's middle-school years.

"I definitely don't want to alienate the old readers, but I want to create a starting point for new readers," writer Joey Allison Sayers told the Times.

Evans Turpin, a retired petroleum engineer who spent most of his career with Marathon Oil Co., recalled (last) week how he and his fellow Iraanians in the early 1960s tried to use their community's Alley Oop connection to energize their little town.

"A local preacher got us all excited" about creating a city park with an Alley Oop theme, he recalled.

Opening in 1965, the shady seven-acre park included picnic tables, a concrete Dinny the Dinosaur for kids to climb on, a giant rendering of a cigar-chomping Alley Oop and a tall observation tower. The town was hoping that Alley Oop fans from around the country would make the trek to Iraan.

"The big plan didn't materialize the way we thought," Turpin said.

The park still exists, although Alley Oop and pals are showing their age. The little museum inside the park, focused on archaeology and local history, is closed temporarily while the city replaces '60s-era electrical wiring and waits for its volunteer director to get back on her feet. Ninety-two-year-old Edna Snooks Collett — everybody calls her Snooks — was on an Indian petroglyph hike not long ago when she fell and hit her head. She's out of the hospital, Turpin said, and should be back on her feet soon.

Town is dwindling

Turpin, 80, lived in Houston, Austin, Midland and elsewhere when he was working for Marathon but drifted back to Iraan years ago. "I just liked the small town," he said.

He was living in Houston when he retired early, during the 1986 bust. "I was thinking that if I retired, maybe I could save someone else's job," he said.

He worked as a consultant for 20 years, then retired for real. For the next 20 years, he and his late wife wore out three RVs traveling the country. These days he's deeply involved with the Lions Club, the local archaeological society and other civic endeavors.

He worries about the little town's boom-and-bust susceptibility. Iraan is just outside the shale boom and, although a vast wind farm and a pipeline are going in nearby, neither requires many employees after they're up and running. A superb school system is losing students.

"We're sinking down as low as it's been since I've been here," Turpin said. "I'm hoping there's a bottom, but I've got a fear in the back of my mind there isn't."

Nancy Beck is hoping too. For the past 19 years, she's been the proprietor of Mesquite Wood Bar-B-Q, a meat-lover's mecca where Alley Oop himself would show up if he rode Dinny into town. If he happened to amble in on Thursdays, he might meet half the town, lured by the Thursday-special giant baked potato piled high with brisket.

"This town is the greatest town I've ever lived in," Beck, a Midland native, told me. "It's clean, there's no violence, the schools are great. Everyone is so nice here."

She said she's known four or five people over the years who broke down in Iraan and stayed. She also mentioned "a nice, little airport" outside town. If Houstonians want to fly in for barbecue, she said, she'd be happy to drive out to the airport and pick them up.

You never can tell. There's no Katy Freeway traffic, no hurricanes, no crowds except at Iraan Braves football games on fall Friday nights and Mesquite Wood Bar-B-Q on Thursdays at noon. Like Alley Oop, those flying Houstonians might just end up staying.

Big states missing out on online sales taxes for holidays

By Elaine S. Povich
Stateline.org

WASHINGTON — Big states such as California, New York and Texas likely will miss out on millions in sales tax revenue this holiday shopping season because they have failed to implement laws and regulations for collecting state sales tax from online purchases.

While the U.S. Supreme Court gave states the go-ahead in June to begin collecting sales taxes from all online purchases, it was up to the states to write and put into effect the statutes and rules to make that happen. A host of states have done so, but disputes about how to carry out the court ruling, including a clash over how much business an online seller has to do in a state to get tagged with collecting and remitting taxes, has stalled implementation in some big states.

The high court vote was 5 to 4 in the South Dakota v. Wayfair Inc. case, in which the state set the threshold for online sellers at $100,000 annually or 200 transactions in the state to be required to collect and remit sales taxes. Most states that have implemented online tax collections have followed the South Dakota model.

But experts and some lawmakers who worry about small sellers having to deal with sales tax paperwork when their sales are relatively limited argue that the South Dakota threshold is too low for a large state like California, for example.

"I think there ought to be a different threshold depending on the size of the state," said Eric Miethke, a tax attorney and former member of the California Board of Equalization, which administers tax law. "The whole premise of the Supreme Court is that you have a big enough footprint in the state for nexus.

"The court said '$100,000 or 200 transactions sounds OK to us.' That's in a state with a population of one California city," he said in an interview.

Miethke was among those who testified at a Oct. 24 hearing by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration, which is charged with promulgating rules to carry out tax law, or in this case, the ruling of the high court. During the discussion, several witnesses brought up the threshold issue.

Board members indicated that if the state sticks to the South Dakota threshold no new legislation is needed, but that might not be the case if the state sets a new threshold. The board members did not reach a conclusion.

Richard Cram, director of the National Nexus Program at the Multistate Tax Commission, an intergovernmental state tax agency that supervises and promotes uniformity in state taxes, said larger states feel pressure to set a higher threshold: "It's a tug and push between the state revenue departments and the state legislatures on what kind of regulations they want to enact."

If a state legislature wants to act, at this point it probably won't be until 2019 at the earliest, as most have adjourned and those that are in session year-round generally don't deal with big issues in the last weeks of the year, meaning the state is missing out on the 2018 holiday shopping season.

The U.S. Government Accountability Office in 2017 reported that state and local governments last year could have collected $8.5 billion to $13.4 billion if they could have taxed remote retailers the way they can now. The National Governors Association put the number higher, saying states with sales taxes could collect $26 billion annually from online and mail order purchases.

The Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts has proposed a rule that would establish a threshold of $500,000 annually in online sales in Texas for a business to be required to collect sales taxes, said Kevin Lyons, spokesman for the Texas agency.

The rule, which has just gone through a public comment period, would take effect in October 2019. "If you are not doing $500,000 worth of business, you won't have to collect,"

Collecting online sales tax

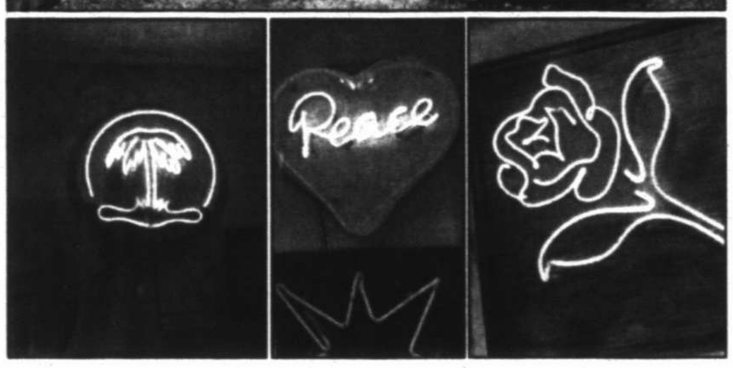
Several states have not yet promulgated regulations or written laws for online sales tax.



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EYE ON DEVELOPMENT

RRC: 7 of top 10 oil-producing counties in Texas are in the Permian

From staff reports

Another month, another 10 million barrels of oil were produced in Midland is what is indicated by the preliminary September figures from the Railroad Commission of Texas.

The RRC reported 10.07 million barrels were produced in Midland. This total is 3 million barrels more than the next most prolific county — Karnes. Midland's production total was 12.6 percent of the total in the state, according to the RRC.

The Permian Basin again dominated the list with seven of the top 10 producing counties — Midland, Reeves, Martin, Loving, Upton, Howard and Andrews. Production in those seven counties reached 31.35 million barrels during the month — nearly 37 percent of the total in the state.

Production for the state, according to the RRC, reached 85.096 million barrels. That number will be updated as late and corrected production reports are received. Preliminary production reported to the RRC for September 2017 was 69,238 million barrels. The updated total was 91.898 million barrels.

Midland County again ranked fourth when it came to the preliminary production numbers of natural gas in September.

The RRC reported 24.7739 million mcf (thousand cubic feet) in September, which meant Midland trailed Webb (54.581 million mcf), Reeves (37.207 million) and Tarrant (33.973 million). When it came to preliminary production of gas, five of the top 10 counties were in the Permian — Reeves, Midland, Loving, Culberson and Upton.

The RRC also reported 591.183 million MCF of gas was produced during the entire month. In September 2017, the preliminary number was 519.180 million mcf. The updated total was 666.600 million mcf.

Texas production in September came from 179,138 oil wells and 90,974 gas wells, according to the RRC.



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Lightning strikes over a pumpjack near Fairgrounds Road on May 7, 2016, in Midland.

By the numbers

September 2018 Texas top 10 crude oil producing counties ranked by preliminary production

County	Barrels
Midland	**10,077,280**
Karnes	7,060,471
Reeves	5,423,248
Martin	5,247,375
DeWitt	4,669,275
Upton	4,637,689
La Salle	4,136,941
Loving	4,109,511
Howard	3,055,610
Andrews	2,917,154

September 2018 Texas top 10 total gas (gas well gas and casinghead) producing counties ranked by preliminary production

County	Total Gas (MCF)
Webb	54,581,000
Reeves	37,207,229
Tarrant	33,973,352
Midland	**24,773,580**
Karnes	23,506,945
DeWitt	22,473,705
Loving	18,782,361
Panola	18,494,210
Culberson	18,482,233
Reagan	15,282,914

September 2018 Texas top 10 total condensate producing counties ranked by preliminary production

County	Condensate (BBLS)
Reeves	2,646,016
Culberson	1,668,349
Loving	1,246,882
Karnes	1,131,755
DeWitt	961,761
Webb	749,692
Dimmit	369,789
Live Oak	266,479
La Salle	137,944
Hemphill	110,298

Source: Texas Railroad Commission

Permian road projects receive $50M in federal grants

PSP reports playing role in helping secure funding

From staff reports

Two Permian Basin road improvement projects each will receive $25 million in grants from the U.S. Department of Transportation, according to a press release from the office of U.S. Sen. John Cornyn.

The Glasscock County and Reagan County Improvement Project and the Winkler County Improvement Project each received the funds "to replace existing at-grade stop-condition intersections with a grade separation," according to the release. The Glasscock and Reagan project is for work at the intersection of State Highway 158 and State Highway 137, west of Garden City. The Winkler project is for work at the intersection of State Highway 302 and State Highway 115 in Kermit.

The funding comes through the U.S. Department of Transportation's Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) grant program. Cornyn wrote letters of support for both grant applications.

"With more people coming to Texas each day, we must ensure our infrastructure can meet increasing demands," Cornyn said in a statement.

"Thanks to these grants, the roads in the Permian Basin will be safer and immediate needs will be addressed. I'm proud to have supported both grant applications, and I'm grateful to the Trump administration for supporting Texans in the Permian Basin."

The Permian Strategic Partnership, a group that includes energy-industry leaders from the area said last week it has been meeting with the Texas Department of Transportation and the U.S. Department of Transportation to facilitate a focus on Permian roads and recently hosted federal representatives to the region for an aerial tour. Officials told the Reporter-Telegram this is an example of how the PSP hopes to convene agencies and groups and identify solutions.

"This is a wonderful achievement for our TxDOT district," said Don Evans, former secretary of commerce and representative of the Permian Strategic Partnership. "The PSP leaders worked closely with the Texas and U.S. Departments of Transportation to highlight the need for additional investment in infrastructure for Permian roads. The safety, quality, and capacity of our Permian Basin roadway infrastructure is a top priority for local residents and businesses, and a key enabler of our country's strategic energy objectives."

Texas will receive a total of $104.05 million in USDOT BUILD grants for five projects. The other three projects are:

- The Port of Port Arthur, $20 million to construct 1,000 feet of wharf and related infrastructure.
- The North Central Texas Council of Governments will receive $20 million for the Alliance Texas/Haslet Accessibility Improvement Project to construct Haslet Parkway as a new four-lane divided thoroughfare.
- The Brazos Transit District will receive $14.05 million to replace more than 32 buses.

Analyst: Permian hotels dominate in terms of revenue

From staff reports

Growth in Texas lodging industry revenues are slowing as the effects of last year's hurricane-induced spike wear off.

Source Strategies Inc., the Texas hotel consulting company, said revenues gained 4.7 percent in the third quarter over the third quarter of 2017, slowing after a year of double-digit revenue growth. Company analysts say the state's oil- and gas-producing areas are experiencing a cooling in demand as drastically lower oil prices in October and November signal a possible retreat from the current boom.

Still, Permian Basin hotels dominated the state's top 10 list in terms of revenue per available room, with one in Midland and three in Pecos making the list: Baymont Inn Midland Center in Midland, Best Western Plus Swiss Chalet, Holiday Inn Express and Hampton Inn, all in Pecos.

Midland had 15 hotels in the top 100, second only to Austin, and Odessa placed third with 12, Pecos coming in fifth with eight and Monahans placing four on the list.

Midland and Odessa had the top two occupancies in the third quarter, with Midland at 75.9 percent and Odessa at 74.9 percent.

San Angelo reported the largest occupancy point increases of the third quarter, rising 9.7 points to 57.1 percent occupancy. Substantial gains were also noted in Odessa, up 7.2 points, and Midland, up 6.6 points.

According to Source Strategies, Midland and Odessa have 3.5 percent of the Texas market. Total revenues jumped from $57,345,000 in 2017 to $102,185,000 in 2018, a gain of 78.2 percent. Occupancy in hotels in the two towns averaged 75.4 percent with the daily rate averaging $154.58.

With sustained high crude oil prices through the third quarter, revenues in the top 100 oil and gas producing counties rose 3.3 percent compared to the third quarter last year, as demand slipped 0.8 percent as measured by room nights sold. This follows four quarters in a row averaging demand gains over 15 percent in these areas of the state.

Survey: Housing affordability trends slightly toward buying

From staff reports

The average price of a home increased in the past year, but a website reported that market conditions in Midland actually trended toward the city being more affordable for residents to buy (compared to renting).

Homearea.com reported this past week that Midland is ranked 42nd of 59 communities in a survey of "cities in Texas that are Better to Buy than Rent." Last year, Midland's ranking was 45th, meaning it was less affordable to buy one year ago.

The survey shows a "price-to-rent ratio" ratio in Midland of 18.0, just 1 point higher than the state average of 17.0. From October 2017 to October 2018, the average price of a home in Midland rose from $260,691 to $311,250, according to the Texas A&M Real Estate Center.

The price-to-rent ratio is the median home value divided by the median annual rent. At its most basic level, according to the survey, the ratio is a benchmark for understanding whether it is better to rent or buy in an area. When home prices rise significantly faster than the local rents, the ratio will rise -- indicating a possible housing bubble where it may be better to rent. Anything under 15 indicates that it is likely more affordable to buy, and in areas where it's higher than 20 it's likely better to rent.

The cities of Pharr, Beaumont and Missouri City had the three lowest price-to-rent ratios (each less than 13). Austin, College Station and Frisco had the three highest (each 24.9 and above).

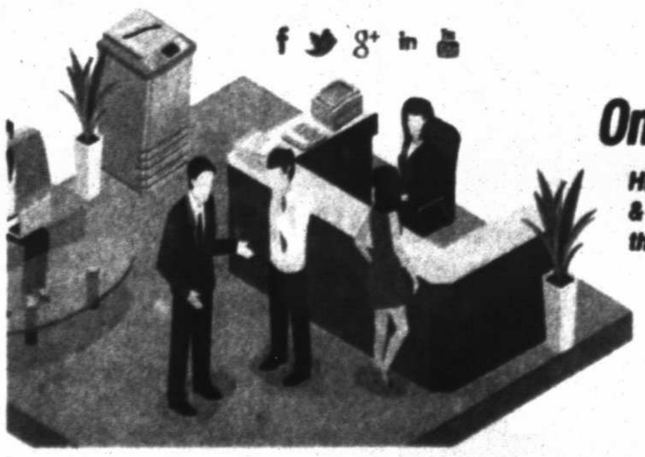
Odessa ranked 33rd, up seven spots from a 26th ranking last year. Its ratio, according to the survey was 16.8. Texas A&M Real Estate Center reports the average price of a home in Odessa in October 2018 was $220,819

The survey lists cities with a population of 60,000 or more with sufficient data to estimate the price-to-rent ratio. The Texas price-to-rent ratio from the latest estimates is 17.0 and has risen 2.3 percent from 16.6.

Rankings

Pharr 11.7
Beaumont 12.8
Missouri City 12.9
Baytown 13.2
Mesquite 13.5
Pasadena 13.6
Wichita Falls 13.7
Waco 14.0
Abilene 14.2
Atascocita 14.4
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23. San Angelo 15.9
24. Amarillo 16.1
26. Lubbock 16.2
30. Houston 16.7
33. Odessa 16.8
42. Midland 18.0
43. Dallas 18.4
57. Austin 24.9
58. College Station 25.4
59. Frisco 27.0

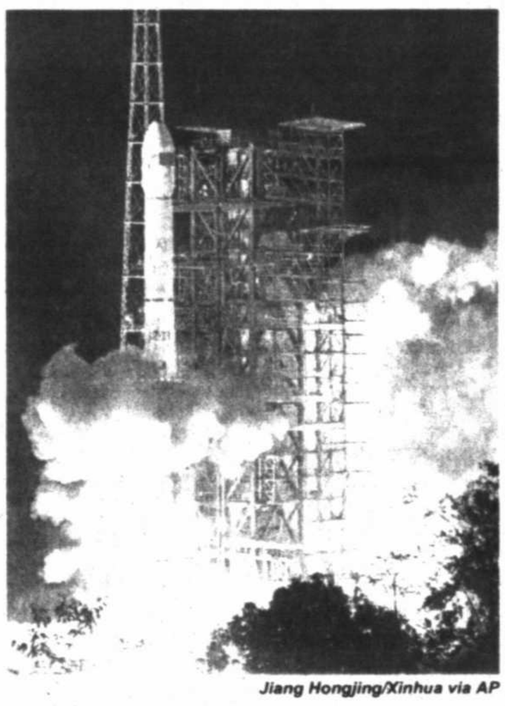
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China launches pioneering mission to far side of moon

By Christopher Bodeen
Associated Press



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The Chang'e 4 lunar probe launches Saturday from the Xichang Satellite Launch Center in southwest China's Sichuan Province. China launched a ground-breaking mission Saturday to soft-land a spacecraft on the largely unexplored far side of the moon, demonstrating its growing ambitions as a space power to rival Russia, the European Union and U.S.

BEIJING — China launched a ground-breaking mission Saturday to land a spacecraft on the largely unexplored far side of the moon, demonstrating its growing ambitions as a space power to rival Russia, the European Union and the U.S.

A Long March 3B rocket carrying a lunar probe blasted off at 2:23 a.m. from the Xichang Satellite Launch Center in Sichuan Province in southwestern China, the official Xinhua News Agency said.

With its Chang'e 4 mission, China hopes to be the first country to make a soft landing, which is a landing of a spacecraft during which no serious damage is incurred. The moon's far side is also known as the dark side because it faces away from Earth and remains comparatively unknown. It has a different composition than sites on the near side, where previous missions have landed.

If successful, the mission would propel the Chinese space program to a leading position in one of the most important areas of lunar exploration.

China landed its Yutu, or "Jade Rabbit," rover on the moon five years ago and plans to send its Chang'e 5 probe there next year and have it return to Earth with samples — the first time that will have been done since 1976. A crewed lunar mission is also under consideration.

Chang'e 4 is also a lander-rover combination and will explore both above and below the lunar surface after arriving at the South Pole-Aitken basin's Von Karman crater following a 27-day journey.

It will also perform radio-astronomical studies that, because the far side always faces away from Earth, will be "free from interference from our planet's ionosphere, human-made radio frequencies and auroral radiation noise," space industry expert Leonard David wrote on the website Space.com.

It may also carry plant seeds and silkworm eggs, according to Xinhua.

Chang'e is the goddess of the moon in Chinese mythology.

China conducted its first crewed space mission in 2003, making it only the third country after Russia and the U.S. to do so. It has put a pair of space stations into orbit, one of which is still operating as a precursor to a more than 60-ton station that is due to come online in 2022. The launch of a Mars rover is planned for the mid-2020s.

To facilitate communication between controllers on Earth and the Chang'e 4 mission, China in May launched a relay satellite named Queqiao, or "Magpie Bridge," after an ancient Chinese folk tale.

China's space program has benefited from cooperation with Russia and European nations, although it was excluded from the 420-ton International Space Station, mainly due to U.S. legislation barring such cooperation amid concerns over its strong military connections. Its program also suffered a rare setback last year with the failed launch of its Long March 5 rocket.



NASA/JPL-Caltech via AP

This photo made available by NASA on Friday shows a view from the arm-mounted camera on the InSight Mars lander. The spacecraft arrived on the planet on Nov. 26.

New NASA lander captures 1st sounds of Martian wind

By Marcia Dunn
Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — NASA's new Mars lander has captured the first sounds of the "really unworldly" Martian wind.

The Jet Propulsion Laboratory released audio clips of the alien wind Friday. The low-frequency rumblings were collected by the InSight lander during its first week of operations at Mars.

The wind is estimated to be blowing 10 mph to 15 mph. These are the first sounds from Mars that are detectible by human ears, according to the researchers.

"Reminds me of sitting outside on a windy summer afternoon ... In some sense, this is what it would sound like if you were sitting on the InSight lander on Mars," Cornell University's Don Banfield told reporters.

Scientists involved in the project agree the sound has an otherworldly quality to it.

Thomas Pike of Imperial College London said the rumbling is "rather different to anything that we've experienced on Earth, and I think it just gives us another way of thinking about how far away we are getting these signals."

The noise is of the wind blowing against InSight's solar panels and the resulting vibration of the entire spacecraft. The sounds were recorded by an air pressure sensor inside the lander that's part of a weather station, as well as the seismometer on the deck of the spacecraft.

The low frequencies are a result of Mars' thin air density and even more so the seismometer itself — it's meant to detect underground seismic waves, well below the threshold of human hearing. The seismometer will be moved to the Martian surface in the coming weeks, until then, the team plans to record more wind noise.

The 1976 Viking landers on Mars picked up spacecraft shaking caused by wind, but it would be a stretch to consider it sound, said InSight's lead scientist, Bruce Banerdt, of JPL in Pasadena, California.

The "really unworldly" sounds from InSight, meanwhile, have Banerdt imaging he's "on a planet that's in some ways like the Earth, but in some ways really alien."

InSight landed on Mars on Nov. 26.

"We're all still on a high from the landing last week ... and here we are less than two weeks after landing, and we've already got some amazing new science," said NASA's Lori Glaze, acting director of planetary science. "It's cool, it's fun."

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Analysis: Legal clouds over Trump grow with new disclosures

By Julie Pace
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The more that special counsel Robert Mueller and federal prosecutors reveal, the darker grow the legal clouds over President Donald Trump.

Trump's own Justice Department has now implicated him in a crime, accusing him of directing illegal hush-money payments to women during his 2016 presidential campaign. Mueller keeps finding new instances of Trump associates lying about their contacts with Russia during an election the Kremlin worked to sway in the Republican's favor.

The president hasn't been charged with any crimes. He may never be. Whether a president can be prosecuted while in office remains a matter of legal dispute.

But Trump also hasn't been cleared of wrongdoing. Each new legal filing underscores that the president is a central figure in investigations that already have brought down several people who worked closely with him and remain a threat to others in Trump's orbit.

Even if the president is never charged with illegal activity, the months of investigations and legal wrangling have cast a pall over his administration and exposed the culture of lying that has surrounded Trump, both in and out of office.

Trump's moniker in some of the filings: "Individual-1".

Trump allies argue that if Mueller had information that Trump broke the law, the special counsel would have made his case against him by now. To the president and his supporters, the fact that the special counsel has been working for well over a year without making a direct accusation against Trump means the investigation is simply an effort to damage the president politically.

"AFTER TWO YEARS AND MILLIONS OF PAGES OF DOCUMENTS (and a cost of over $30,000,000), NO COLLUSION!" Trump tweeted early Saturday morning.

Despite Trump's declarations, Mueller hasn't ruled out that the prospect of election season coordination between Moscow and the Trump campaign, and only recently received written answers from the president about possible Russian interference. Mueller also is still pursuing whether Trump obstructed justice while in office.

Yet the most precarious legal situation for Trump appears to be separate from Mueller's inquiry: an assertion by federal prosecutors in New York that Trump directed his former lawyer, Michael Cohen, to make illegal payments during the campaign to silence women alleging extramarital affairs.

Rep. Adam Schiff, D-Calif., who will oversee the House intelligence committee next year, said that a new court filing on Friday "implicates the president very directly" in a crime.

"It puts the issue squarely before the Justice Department whether a sitting president should be indicted or whether the Justice Department has to wait until he's out of office," Schiff said in an interview.

Federal law requires that any payments made "for the purposes of influencing" an election must be reported in campaign finance disclosures. The court filing Friday makes clear that the payments to porn actress Stormy Daniels and Playboy model Karen McDougal were made to benefit Trump politically.

Trump's only defense? Cohen, he says, is a liar.

The simultaneous investigations have infuriated Trump. Democrats, and some Republicans, fear Trump may ultimately try to silence Mueller or halt his investigation, though proposed legislation protecting the special counsel has stalled in Congress.

After going publicly silent in the run-up to the midterm elections, Mueller has roared back with a series of legal moves that suggest he is actively pursuing the central question of whether Trump's campaign illegally coordinated with Russia during the election.

In a filing released on Friday, Mueller revealed that a Russian national claiming close ties to the Kremlin reached out to Cohen to propose government-level "political synergy" during the election. The November 2015 outreach — which Mueller says Cohen did not pursue — appears to be the earliest known effort by Russia to build ties with the Trump campaign.

Cohen has admitted to lying to Congress about efforts by Trump's real estate company to build a project in Moscow as late as the summer of 2016, after Trump became the Republican nominee for president.

Mueller has not alleged that the president knew about these interactions with Russia.

Even so, some Trump supporters now believe the president is unlikely to emerge from the investigations unscathed.

Alan Dershowitz, a Harvard law professor and frequent defender of Trump, said Mueller appears poised to issue a report that will be highly critical of the president, though Dershowitz believes it will deal "more with political sin than a federal crime."

"It will be a very serious accusation of the president, but it will be more political," Dershowitz said.

Of course, political sin could still put Trump in a dangerous position, particularly now that Democrats are within weeks of taking over the House. The new Democratic majority will have broad subpoena power. Party leaders will be under pressure from some members to pursue impeachment, particularly if Mueller's report makes direct accusations of the president.

Schiff, who will oversee some of the congressional probes into Trump, said the swirl of investigations "tests the proposition that no one is above the law."

Comey: Russia investigation initially looked at 4 Americans

By Eric Tucker, Chad Day and Mary Claire Jalonick
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The FBI's counterintelligence investigation into potential ties between the Trump campaign and Russia initially focused on four Americans and whether they were connected to Russian efforts to interfere in the 2016 presidential election, former FBI Director James Comey told lawmakers during hours of closed-door questioning.

Comey did not identify the Americans but said President Donald Trump, then the Republican candidate, was not among them.

The House Judiciary Committee released a transcript of the interview on Saturday, just 24 hours after privately grilling the fired FBI chief about investigative decisions related to Hillary Clinton's email server and Trump's campaign and potential ties to Russia. The Russia investigation is now being run by special counsel Robert Mueller, and Comey largely dodged questions connected to that probe — including whether his May 2017 firing by Trump constituted obstruction of justice.

The Republican-led committee interviewed Comey as part of its investigation into FBI actions in 2016, a year when the bureau — in the heat of the presidential campaign — recommended against charges for Clinton and opened an investigation into Russian interference in the election.

The questioning largely centered on well-covered territory from a Justice Department inspector general report, Comey's own book and interviews and hours of public testimony on Capitol Hill. But Comey also used the occasion to take aim at Trump's public barbs at the criminal justice system, saying "we have become numb to lying and attacks on the rule of law by the president," and Trump's suggestion that it should be a crime for subjects to "flip" and cooperate with investigators.

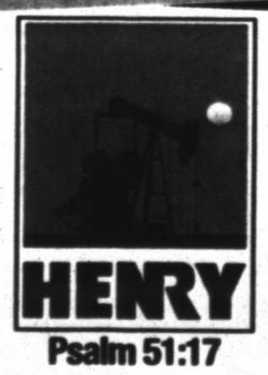
"It's a shocking suggestion coming from any senior official, no less the president. It's a critical and legitimate part of the entire justice system in the United States," Comey said.

In offering some details of the investigation's origins, Comey said it had started in July 2016 with a look at "four Americans who had some connection to Mr. Trump during the summer of 2016" and whether they were tied to "the Russian interference effort."

He reiterated that the investigation was not prompted by a Democratically funded opposition research — often referred to as the "Steele dossier" — but rather contacts former Trump foreign policy adviser George Papadopoulos had with an intermediary during the campaign, a finding confirmed by House Republicans.

The investigation was prompted by "information we'd received about a conversation that a Trump foreign — campaign foreign policy adviser had with an individual in London about stolen emails that the Russians had that would be harmful to Hillary Clinton," Comey said.

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Can a sitting president be indicted while in office?

By Michael Balsamo
Associated Press



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President Donald Trump talks to media Saturday before boarding Marine One on the South Lawn of the White House in Washington for the short trip to Andrews Air Force Base en route to Philadelphia to attend the Army-Navy Football Game.

WASHINGTON — For the first time, prosecutors have tied President Donald Trump to a federal crime, accusing him of directing illegal hush-money payments to women during his presidential campaign in 2016.

The Justice Department stopped short of accusing Trump of directly committing a crime. Instead, they said in a court filing Friday night that Trump told his former personal lawyer, Michael Cohen, to make illegal payments to buy the silence of two women — porn actress Stormy Daniels and former Playboy model Karen McDougal — who claimed to have had affairs with Trump and threatened his White House bid. Trump has denied having an affair.

Cohen has pleaded guilty to several charges, including campaign finance violations, and is awaiting sentencing.

Although Trump hasn't been charged with any crimes, the question of whether a president can even be prosecuted while in office is a matter of legal dispute.

Here's a look at that long-running legal ambiguity and a few of the main issues at play:

Did the President commit a crime?

That isn't completely clear. But federal prosecutors didn't accuse Trump in Friday night's court filing of violating the law.

However, there was no ambiguity in the court documents that prosecutors believe Cohen's actions were criminal and Trump was directly involved. Prosecutors charged that Cohen arranged the secret payments at the height of the 2016 campaign "in coordination with and at the direction of" Trump. They also alleged Cohen made the payment in order to fend off potential damage to Trump's presidential bid.

Federal law requires that any payments that are made "for the purpose of influencing" an election must be reported in campaign finance disclosures.

"There is a plausible case against the president," said Rick Hasen, a professor who specializes in election and campaign finance law at the University of California at Irvine.

In order to bring charges, prosecutors would have to prove Trump had criminal intent and "willfully violated the law," said Josh Blackman, a professor at South Texas College of Law Houston. Something that would be perfectly legal to do as a businessman could take on a different standard as a candidate and campaign finance laws are "very open-ended," he said.

Hasen said Trump's lawyers could argue Trump didn't have willfulness to break the law if the payments were completely personal and not connected to the campaign, despite their timing. Some legal experts have also argued that hush-money payments to keep people silent about their affairs are inherently personal, though Hasen said he didn't agree with that argument.

Can a sitting President be indicted?

Legal experts are divided on that question. The Supreme Court has never ruled on whether the president can be indicted or whether the president can be subpoenaed for testimony.

The Justice Department's Office of Legal Counsel, which provides legal advice and guidance to executive branch agencies, has maintained that a sitting president cannot be indicted. Two Justice Department reports, one in 1973 and one in 2000, came to the same conclusion.

Those reports essentially concluded that the president's responsibilities are so important that an indictment would pose too many risks for the government to function properly.

Trump's lawyers have said that special counsel Robert Mueller plans to adhere to that guidance, though Mueller's office has never independently confirmed that. Trump's personal attorney, Rudy Giuliani, has also said that a president cannot be indicted.

Could Trump be indicted once he leaves office?

There would presumably be no bar against charging a president after he leaves the White House.

Legal scholars have said that based on the Justice Department's guidance, it would appear that Trump could be charged for wrongdoing during the campaign or as president once he leaves office, but likely not before that.

Blackman said the statute of limitations for a campaign finance law violation — like the one Cohen pleaded guilty to — would be five years. The payments to Daniels and McDougal were made in 2016, meaning the statute of limitations would run out in 2021.

Could Trump pardon himself?

Trump has already shown he's not afraid to use his pardon power, particularly for those he has viewed as unfair victims of partisanship. He's pardoned Joe Arpaio, the former Arizona sheriff who was convicted of criminal contempt for disobeying a judge's order, and I. Lewis "Scooter" Libby, a Bush administration official convicted of perjury and obstruction of justice in a leak case.

Courts have never had to answer the question of whether the president can pardon himself. In June, Giuliani told NBC's "Meet the Press" that while Trump "probably does" have the power, "pardoning himself would be unthinkable and probably lead to immediate impeachment."

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Trump picks Army chief of staff as next top military adviser

By Deb Reichmann
Associated Press



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Army Gen. Mark A. Milley, chief of staff of the Army, listens as President Donald J. Trump makes a statement to the media as he prepares to receive a briefing from senior military leaders Oct. 23 in the Cabinet Room of the White House in Washington, D.C.

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump announced Saturday that he wants a battle-hardened commander who oversaw troops in Iraq and Afghanistan to be the nation's next top military adviser.

If confirmed by the Senate, Gen. Mark Milley, who has been chief of the Army since August 2015, would succeed Marine Gen. Joseph Dunford as chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Dunford's term doesn't end until Oct. 1. Trump said the date of transition is "to be determined."

Trump used an early morning tweet to reveal his choice. "I am thankful to both of these incredible men for their service to our Country!" he said. Later Saturday, as the president left the White House for the Army-Navy football game in Philadelphia, he called Milley "a great gentleman and a great patriot."

Dunford is a former commandant of the Marine Corps and commander of coalition troops in Afghanistan. Milley commanded troops during several tours in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Dunford's spokesman, Col. Patrick Ryder, said all indications are that Dunford will serve his full term. Ryder referred other questions to the White House. He said Dunford congratulated Milley on his nomination. "He has served with Gen. Milley in peacetime and in combat and has the highest regard for his leadership."

Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said in a statement that Milley was "a battle-tested commander and Pentagon reformer who will be a worthy successor" to Dunford. That committee would consider a Joint Chiefs nomination.

The chairman of the House Armed Services Committee praised Milley for his "direct, insightful military assessments based upon his intellect and years of experience." Rep. Mac Thornberry, R-Texas, also noted that the Joint Chiefs chairman serves Congress as well as the president and defense secretary.

Trump's decision, announced before leaving Washington for the annual Army-Navy football game in Philadelphia, had caught some in the Pentagon by surprise when unofficial word spread Friday after he had tweeted that a succession announcement was coming.

Normally an announcement on a new chairman wouldn't be expected until early next year. Officials had said the Air Force chief, Gen. David Goldfein, was also a strong contender for the job.

Milley is known as a charismatic, outgoing leader who has not been afraid to offer candid and sometimes blunt assessments to Congress. Last year he admonished the House Armed Services Committee for its inability to approve a defense budget, slamming it as "professional malpractice." In 2016, he told lawmakers, in answer to a direct question, that women should also have to register for the draft now that they are allowed to serve in all combat jobs.

As the Army's top leader, he helped shepherd the groundbreaking move of women into front-line infantry and other combat positions, while warning that it would take time to do it right. More recently, he has worked with his senior officers to reverse a shortfall in Army recruiting when the service fell far short of its annual goal this year.

He also played a role in one of the Army's more contentious criminal cases. While serving as head of U.S. Army Forces Command at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, Milley was assigned to review the case of former Army Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl, who abandoned his post in Afghanistan and was held captive by the Taliban for five years.

Milley made the early decision to charge Bergdahl with desertion and misbehavior before the enemy. Bergdahl was eventually found guilty, reduced in rank to private, dishonorably discharged and fined $10,000, but was spared any additional prison time.

A native of Winchester, Massachusetts, and a fervent supporter of the Boston Red Sox and other city teams, Milley received his Army commission from Princeton University in 1980. An infantry officer by training, he also commanded Special Forces units in a career that included deployments in the invasion of Panama in 1989, the multinational mission in Bosnia-Herzegovina to implement the Dayton Peace Accords, and the Iraq war.

The Milley move starts a series of military leadership changes in coming months, including successors in 2019 for Adm. John Richardson as the chief of Naval Operations, Gen. Robert Neller as commandant of the Marine Corps, and Air Force Gen. Paul Selva as vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs. Trump also will pick a replacement for Milley as Army chief.

Tillerson: Trump is 'pretty undisciplined'

■ Former secretary of state speaks out at MD Anderson fundraiser

By Tom Benning
The Dallas Morning News

WASHINGTON — Former Secretary of State Rex Tillerson on Thursday described former boss President Donald Trump as someone who is "pretty undisciplined," "doesn't like to read," and "doesn't like to get into the details of a lot of things."

The Texas native and former ExxonMobil CEO didn't stop there.

"So often, the president would say, 'Here's what I want to do, and here's how I want to do it,' and I would have to say to him, 'Mr. President, I understand what you want to do, but you can't do it that way. It violates the law,'" he said at a rare public appearance in Houston.

That less-than-stellar job review, first reported by the Houston Chronicle, earned a quick rebuke on Friday from Trump.

Tillerson "didn't have the mental capacity needed," the president wrote on Twitter, saying Tillerson didn't measure up to current Secretary of State Mike Pompeo. "He was dumb as a rock and I couldn't get rid of him fast enough. He was lazy as hell."

The exchange is another bizarre chapter in the duo's relationship, one that started with great promise over the meeting of two famous business minds, then soured when Tillerson reportedly called Trump a "moron" and ended when the president fired Tillerson by tweet.

Tillerson, speaking at a fundraiser for the MD Anderson Cancer Center, said on Thursday that Trump had a much different style than his own.

"He acts on his instincts and, in some respects, that looks like impulsiveness," Tillerson told the moderator, CBS News' Bob Schieffer, according to The Washington Post. "But it's not his intent to act on impulse. I think he's trying to act on his instincts."

That approach was world's away from Tillerson's standard — the "disciplined, highly process-oriented ExxonMobil corporation," he said.

"I didn't know how to conduct my affairs with him any other way than in a very straightforward fashion," he said, according to Politico. "And I think he grew tired of me being the guy every day that told him 'You can't do that, and let's talk about what we can do.'"

Tillerson also lamented the effectiveness of Trump's bombastic Twitter account.

"I will be honest with you," he said, according to the Chronicle. "It troubles me that the American people seem to want to know so little about issues, that they are satisfied with 128 characters."

Trump response to Tillerson's critique was true to form.

The president didn't hold back last year when the reports emerged that his secretary of state called him a "moron." Even as he dismissed Tillerson's alleged insult as "fake news," he said at the time that if the diplomat "did that, I guess we'll have to compare IQ tests."

"I can tell you who is going to win," Trump said then.

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Trump says chief of staff John Kelly to leave at year's end

By Zeke Miller and Jill Colvin
Associated Press



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Chief of staff John Kelly, right, holds the door for President Donald Trump during an event on illegal immigration and border security Nov. 1 in the Roosevelt Room at the White House in Washington, D.C. Trump said Saturday that Kelly will leave his position at the end of the year.

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump said Saturday that chief of staff John Kelly will leave his job by year's end amid an expected West Wing reshuffling reflecting a focus on the 2020 re-election campaign and the challenge of governing with Democrats reclaiming control of the House.

Nick Ayers, Vice President Mike Pence's chief of staff, is Trump's top choice to replace Kelly, and the two have held discussions for months about the job, a White House official said. An announcement was expected in the coming days, the president told reporters as he left the White House for the Army-Navy football game in Philadelphia.

Kelly had been credited with imposing order on a chaotic West Wing after his arrival in June 2017 from his post as homeland security secretary. But his iron first also alienated some longtime Trump allies, and he grew increasingly isolated, with an increasingly diminished role.

Known through the West Wing as "the chief" or "the general," the retired Marine Corps four-star general was tapped by Trump via tweet in July 2017 from his perch atop the Homeland Security Department to try to normalize a White House riven by infighting and competing power bases.

"John Kelly will leaving — I don't know if I can say retiring — but he's a great guy," Trump said. "John Kelly will be leaving at the end of the year. We'll be announcing who will be taking John's place — it might be on an interim basis. I'll be announcing that over the next day or two, but John will be leaving at the end of the year. ... I appreciate his service very much."

Kelly had early successes, including ending an open-door Oval Office policy that that had been compared to New York's Grand Central Station and instituting a more rigorous policy process to try to prevent staffers from going directly to Trump.

But those efforts also miffed the president and some of his most influential outside allies, who had grown accustomed to unimpeded access. Kelly's handling of domestic violence accusations against the former White House staff secretary also caused consternation, especially among lower-level White House staffers, who believed Kelly had lied to them about when he found out about the allegations.

Lauding Kelly, House Speaker Paul Ryan, R-Wis., said the country was "better for his duty at the White House." He called Kelly "a force for order, clarity and good sense."

Trump and Ayers were working out terms under which Ayers would fill the role and the time commitment he would make, the White House official said. Trump wants his next chief of staff to agree to hold the job through the 2020 election. Ayers, who has young triplets, had long planned to leave the administration at the end of the year, but he has agreed to serve in an interim basis through the spring of 2019.

The official spoke on the condition of anonymity to discuss sensitive personnel matters.

Word of Kelly's impending departure comes a day after Trump named his picks for attorney general and ambassador to the United Nations, and two senior aides shifted from the White House to Trump's campaign.

In any administration, the role of White House chief of staff is split between the responsibilities of supervising the White House and managing the man sitting in the Oval Office. Striking that balance in the turbulent times of Trump has bedeviled both Kelly and his predecessor, Reince Priebus.

White House aides say Trump has developed confidence in Ayers, in part by watching the effectiveness of Pence's largely independent political operation. Ayers also earned the backing of Ivanka Trump and Jared Kushner, the president's daughter and son-in-law and senior advisers, for taking on the new role, White House officials said.

The Georgia native's meteoric rise in GOP politics included a successful stint at the Republican Governors Association, time as campaign manager for former Minnesota Gov. Tim Pawlenty's failed White House bid and consultant work for dozens of high-profile Republicans, including Pence.

Ayers, 36, would be the youngest chief of staff since 34-year-old Hamilton Jordan served under Jimmy Carter. Kelly is 68.

Trump had discussed replacing Kelly on multiple occasions, including following the negative publicity surrounding Kelly's handling of domestic violence accusations against then-White House staff secretary Rob Porter. Some lower-level White House staffers believed Kelly had lied to them about when he knew of the allegations and when he made clear to Porter that he'd have to leave.

Trump had often tossed around potential replacements, but sensitive to charges that his administration has been marked by record turnover, he said in July that he would keep Kelly in the job through 2020.

But inside the White House, it was viewed largely as an attempt to clamp down on speculation about Kelly's fate during the midterm elections, rather than a true vote of confidence.

Kelly, too, made no secret of the trials of his job, and often joked about how working for Trump was harder than anything he'd done before, including on the battlefield. In private, Kelly, whom friends said took the job out of a sense of duty to his country, cast himself as safeguarding the public from an impulsive and mercurial president. Reports of those conversations infuriated the president, who is especially sensitive of attacks on his competence and perceptions he is being managed.

At an event celebrating the 15th anniversary of the Department of Homeland Security, Kelly joked that he missed everyone in the department "every day," offering a deadpan eye roll and smile that drew laughs and applause.

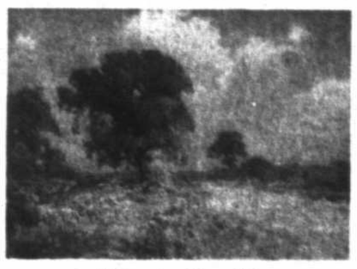
"At six months, the last thing I wanted to do was walk away from one of the great honors of my life, being the secretary of Homeland Security, but I did something wrong and God punished me, I guess," he joked.

Kelly, who had threatened to quit on several occasions, told friends he would be happy if he lasted until his one-year anniversary: July 28.





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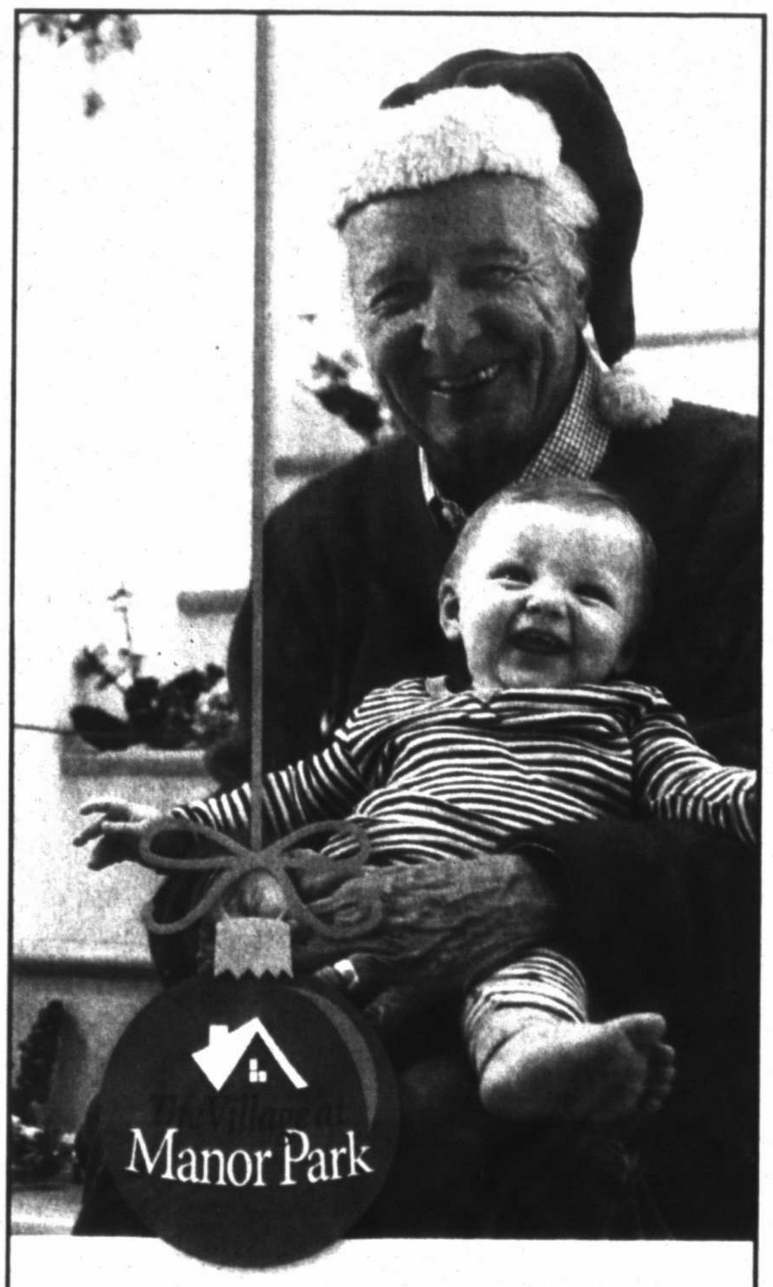


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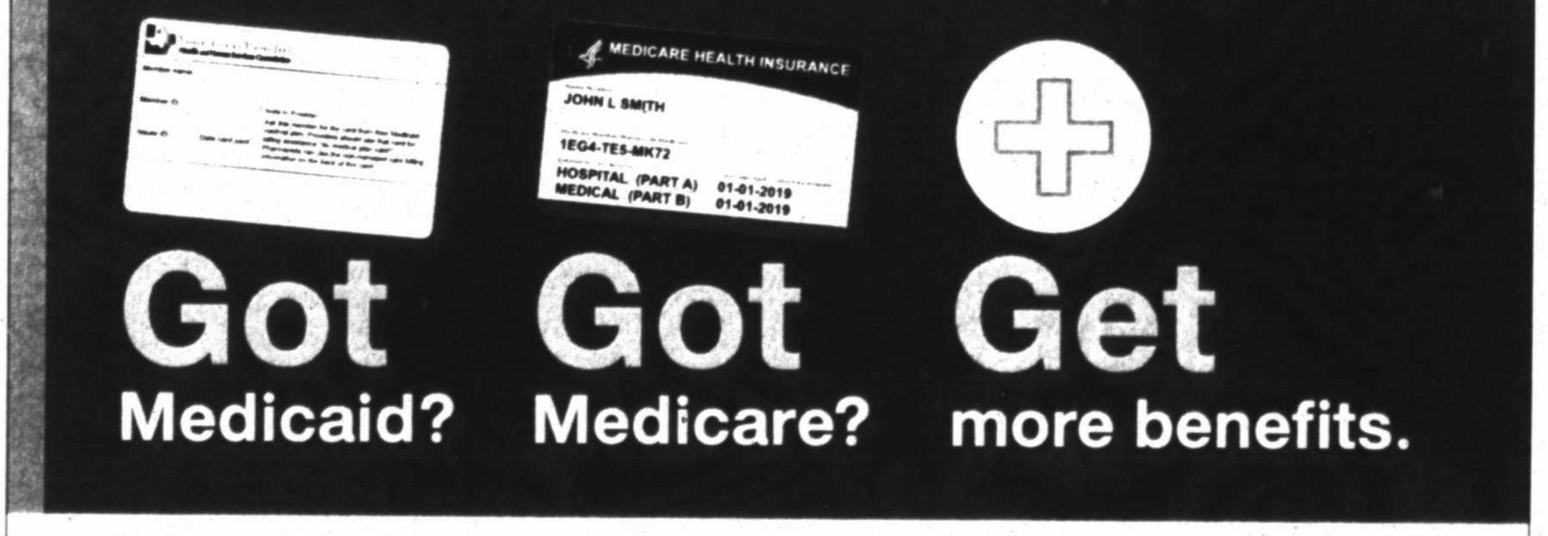
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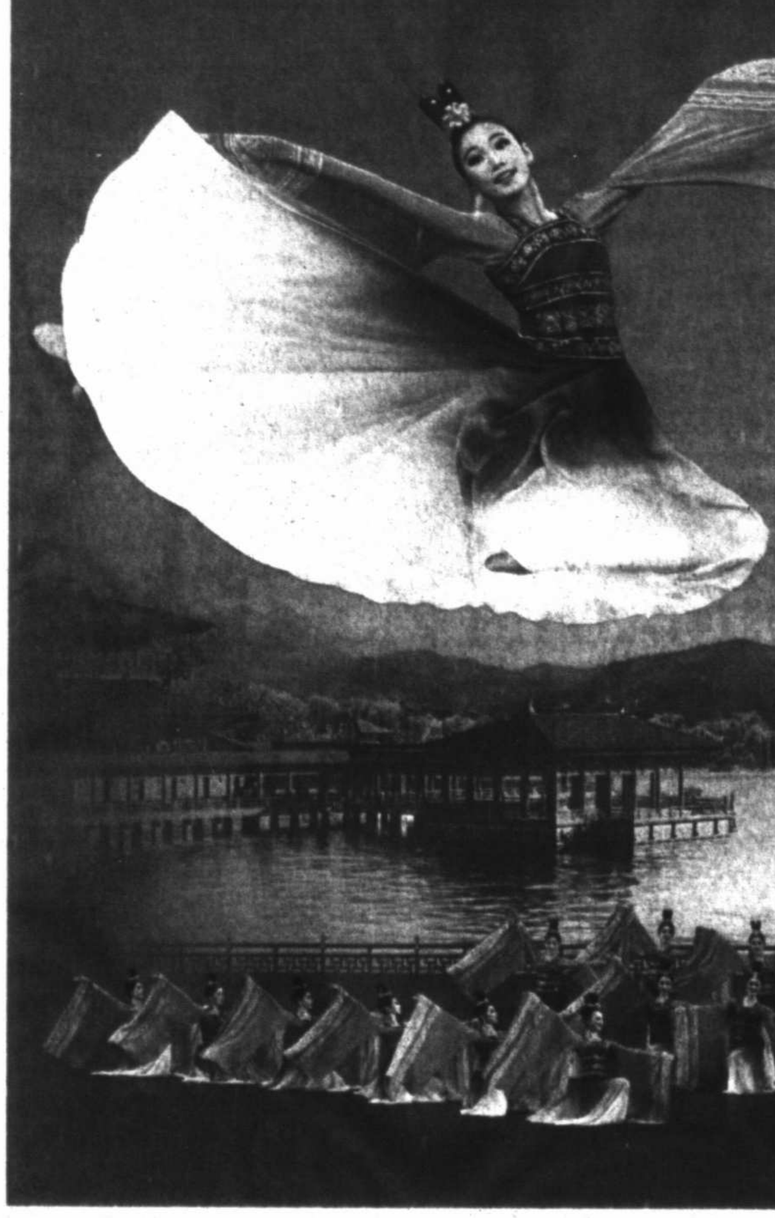
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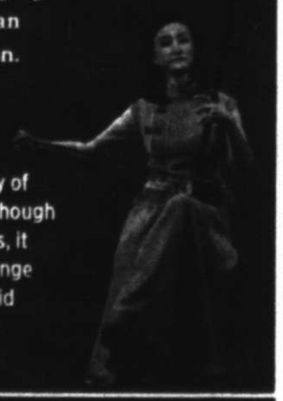


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Permian exports have made US energy superpower

STEVE EVERLEY AND BEN SHEPPERD
Petroleum experts

Domestic oil and natural gas production has soared to record levels, thanks in large part to the Permian Basin. But what's happening in West Texas and southeast New Mexico is about much more than petroleum: it's spurring billions of dollars in new manufacturing investment along the Gulf Coast, it's reducing the trade deficit, and it's solidifying the United States as a global energy powerhouse.

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The boom in shale gas production has been a major factor in billions of dollars in new Texas manufacturing investments. Chemical manufacturer LyondellBasell recently announced it was moving forward on more than $3 billion in projects along the Gulf Coast, including a $2.4 billion petrochemical project in Channelview, that broke ground in August.

Since 2010, about $69 billion in new chemical manufacturing investments have been announced for Texas. Companies are investing here because they know they have abundant and low-cost supplies of shale gas, which is used as a feedstock in their operations.

In fact, the energy coming out of places like the Permian Basin is so abundant that we are quickly becoming a major exporter.

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PRESIDENTIAL SEND-OFF



Jerry Baker/Houston Chronicle

Union Pacific Locomotive No. 4141, carrying the body of former president George H.W. Bush, approaches the intersection of Main St. and West Hardy Road on Friday in Old Town Spring. People line both sides of the track to catch a glimpse of the train while it makes its way to College Station for President Bush's burial on the site of his presidential library.

Watching George H.W. Bush's funeral train roll by

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A day earlier, in the majesty of the U.S. Capitol Rotunda and the magnificence of the Washington National Cathedral, the scene was the practiced precision of thousands, many in uniform, as a mourning nation paid its very formal farewell to a president.

America does that very well.

On Thursday, it was the spontaneous efforts of individuals doing their individual thing in their individual ways as that president's funeral train rolled through small town after smaller town en route to his burial.

Americans do that very well.

Some waved flags. Others saluted. Some stood in silence. Many cheered.

"I have seen Halley's comet in my lifetime," Mark Levasseur, 63, told me as hundreds of people awaited the train. "I've seen some fabulous things. The Statue of Liberty. I've seen the memorial out at Mount Rushmore. But seeing this tops them all."

And then he put four dimes and one penny — 41 cents — on the rails where the body of the 41st president soon would pass.

For some, standing trackside was about honoring a president whose service they remember. For kids, it was a teaching moment about a president who, for them, already is the stuff of history books and homework.

Because it made sense to put a railroad track through here in a century gone by, tiny Todd Mission, population 100ish, had the honor of having the Bush family pass through Thursday as it took its patriarch to his final resting place at Texas A&M University.

Some brought chairs. Some waved sparklers. Others watched from the back of their pickups parked in a muddy field across FM 1774. That's where Ginny Sommerville was. She's 89. So is her

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Over the last week, people from all walks of life, from all around the world, have been expressing their deep admiration and gratitude for the last of the "Greatest Generation" presidents, George H.W. Bush.

Those that knew him well have reflected on his gentle nature, his thoughtful consideration, his pride in serving our country as the youngest naval aviator, his love of God, country and family. Those that did not know him well have heard of his tireless service to our country as Congressman, head of the Republican National Committee, director of the CIA, U.N. ambassador, envoy to the People's Republic of China, vice president and president. They have heard countless stories of his sense of humor, his thousands of letters written to staffers, family members, co-workers and nearly everyone who took time to write to him.

George H.W. Bush exemplified the attributes of a generation where people respected each other, negotiated deals to get things done, helped each other in times of need, believed in God, surrounded themselves with family and served others. He and Barbara's community service in Midland is one of the greatest gifts we share with visitors to the George W. Bush Childhood Home.

The George W. Bush Childhood Home is committed to continuing to tell the story of George H.W. Bush, his remarkable family and their time here in Midland.

Over a period of four days we collected several hundred written condolence messages from people throughout the community on a large banner that will be sent to the Bush family. We thank everyone who took the time to share their love. We hope that the passing of President Bush will have people reflecting on how their own actions may help lead us back to what he strived to build — a "kinder and gentler nation."

PATRICK PEYTON
Start the Conversation blog



There's no more room for doubt about what region can be

It continues to be somewhat of a long stretch between posts, and for that I ask for your indulgence. I will not try to cram everything into one post but will simply submit one significant thought for your consideration and action.

For many years, in one form or another, wise leaders have often reminded us that the most important decision we make when facing any challenge is the choice of our attitude. The more I have thought about this true and tried exhortation the more I have come to believe it has great application and implication for all of us living and working in the Permian Basin.

When the odds seem to be stacked against you, a positive attitude keeps you fighting and pushing for a little bit better every day. History is replete with examples of those who chose a positive attitude because the cause was worth the fight. One such glaring and obvious example was the founding of this great country we call home. When the odds were certainly against a band of committed revolutionaries in the face of great threats and seemingly insurmountable odds, the spirit of Liberty forced an attitude of possibility and we remain the beneficiaries of that values based choice.

When there seemed to be no great future for the oil and gas industry in the United States, an attitude of relentless discovery — against the odds — paved the way for what we now call an historical revival of energy independence for the United States. As a matter of fact, in a recent op-ed in the Wall Street Journal I read the following quote, "Roughnecks in the American Southwest are doing more than most foreign ministers to change the world." Who would have ever thought of this reality just a few short years ago? But it is our reality.

Now, when our world changing region is stressed beyond its limits and in need of great change — even reformation — we find ourselves with a choice; a choice of historically significant action inducing attitude based in the value that what we do with what we have matters for the world.

Allow me to express a few attitude choices...

- We must choose a positive and optimistic outlook for public education. An attitude that rejects pessimism rooted in the past, and chooses optimism for a brighter future in public education in the Permian Basin.
- We must choose an attitude of trust toward one another as many different individuals and organizations work for reform and progress in multiple sectors spanning from education, to health care, to infrastructure and more.
- We must choose an attitude of being for the region as a great place to live and

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China strikes at Trump, misses mark entirely

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"When you strike at a king you must kill him," Ralph Waldo Emerson once said. Well, this year China tried to strike at President Trump for daring to launch a trade war with Beijing — and missed the mark.

After Trump imposed massive tariffs on Chinese goods earlier this year, Beijing responded in June with what appeared to be a clever strategy: targeting retaliatory tariffs against Trump voters in rural farming communities across the United States. China is the largest importer of U.S. soybeans, buying $14 billion of them in 2017. Three of the biggest soybean-producing states, Indiana, Missouri and North Dakota, not only voted for Trump, but also in the 2018 midterms had Democratic senators, Joe Donnell, Indiana; Claire McCaskill, Missouri; and Heidi Heitkamp, North Dakota, who were up for re-election. If Beijing imposed painful tariffs on soybeans, Chinese leaders likely calculated, they could create a rift between Trump and rural voters who put him in the White House, give Senate Democrats a boost and force Trump to back down.

But Trump did not back down. He countered by announcing $12 billion in aid for farmers, threatened to increase his tariffs on Chinese goods and asked his rural base to stick with him while he faced down the economic predators in Beijing. That is exactly what they did. Far from abandoning the president, rural voters hurt by Chinese tariffs rallied around Trump and the GOP. They threw Donnelly, Heitkamp and McCaskill out of office, allowing Republicans to expand their Senate majority. And while Republicans lost control of the House, few of the GOP losses came from rural districts. Competitive rural districts mostly ended up staying Republican; it was the urban-suburban districts that flipped to the Democrats.

China's tariff ploy didn't just fail to sway the 2018 midterms; it actually backfired. The tariffs made the U.S. soybeans that China depends on more expensive, and Beijing soon found that alternative suppliers in South America could not produce enough to meet Chinese demand, leading to shortfalls.

In other words, China went for a kill shot — and ended up shooting itself in the foot.

That has emboldened Trump in his negotiations with Chinese President Xi Jinping — as shown by news last week that a senior executive of Chinese telecommunications giant Huawei had been arrested in Vancouver, at the request of the United States, on charges of violating sanctions on Iran. China demanded her release but nonetheless affirmed that it will still observe the 90-day tariff cease-fire Trump and Xi reached during their meeting last week in Buenos Aires — putting off a scheduled Jan. 1 escalation of U.S. tariffs from 10 percent to 25 percent on $200 billion of Chinese goods while the two sides negotiate a deal.

Trump has leverage going into those talks. The U.S. economy is booming, while China has just posted its weakest growth in nearly a decade. Moreover, during the Group of 20 meeting in Argentina, Xi saw how Trump has been able to bend his trade rivals to his will, and deliver trade victories for his working-class political base, when he held an elaborate signing ceremony for the new U.S.-Mexico-Canada trade agreement.

China will of course be a much tougher adversary than Mexico or Canada. As my American Enterprise Institute colleague Derek Scissors points out, the Chinese Communist Party controls the economy through state ownership and massive subsidies in dozens of sectors where U.S. goods and services can't compete fairly. Lifting tariffs is easy. Getting China to change its entire industrial policy will be hard — as will stopping China's theft of U.S. intellectual property.

But Trump knows that he has no chance of doing so by filing complaints with the World Trade Organization. So Trump is playing a game of chicken with Xi, appearing to calculate that the United States is in a better position to survive an all-out trade war. The markets panicked (last) week over Trump's recent pronouncement that he would be just as happy imposing tariffs as cutting a deal with China, but getting this message through to Xi is the only way to force his hand. As Trump tweeted (last) week, "We are either going to have a REAL DEAL with China, or no deal at all — at which point we will be charging major Tariffs against Chinese product being shipped into the United States," adding, "remember … I am a Tariff Man."

He means it. Trump actually believes that tariffs are good for the U.S. economy. The question is whether Xi believes he believes it. The answer may determine whether we get a deal or a trade war.

OUR VIEW

Many people deserve thanks for grants for Permian roads

If you want to know how big a deal something is, just wait to see how many people want to connect themselves to the issue of the day.

We see this in the news business. In fact, last week there was a perfect example.

As we reported in today's edition, the Texas Department of Transportation was awarded $50 million in federal grants to pay for critical improvements needed to address safety and connectivity in the booming Permian Basin.

According to TxDOT — through its Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Transportation grants — the U.S. Department of Transportation is helping pave the way for Texans and the rest of the nation to have safe and improved access to oil and gas.

One project in Winkler County will replace an existing four-way stop with an overpass at State Highways 302 and 115 (including over a railroad) in Kermit.

The other will replace an existing four-way stop with an overpass at State Highway 158 and State Highway 137 and improve SH 137 west of Garden City.

Both projects each carry a price tag of $25 million, so we are not talking about an insignificant amount of money. However, it will be hard to find anyone who doesn't see the need in both projects. And, judging by the response, there are quite a few people who want to comment on them.

The Reporter-Telegram received the first press release on the infrastructure money from U.S. Sen. John Cornyn's office. Next, was the Permian Strategic Partnership, then the Texas Department of Transportation, and finally U.S. Rep. Will Hurd.

In these press releases, the following are quoted: Cornyn; Don Evans, former commerce secretary and PSP official; TxDOT Chairman J. Bruce Bugg Jr.; U.S. Rep. Mike Conaway; and Hurd. We also saw that Gov. Greg Abbott has asked that infrastructure needs in the Permian Basin be made a "state priority," so we will add his name to the list.

The point is that the federal funds are welcomed, and if it requires so many people to get the point across, so be it. It is a huge deal when someone recognizes the deficiencies in the Permian Basin and then takes action to improve the situation.

We don't know who deserves the most credit, so we say "thank you" to them all. We hope these are the first of many grants and investments made in the Permian Basin moving forward. Proper infrastructure investment usually comes with an eyebrow-raising price tag. That is the nature of the beast.

There is nothing sexy about roads and other underground investments. But the ability of this region to manage the day-to-day requirements that come with the expected production of oil depends — first and foremost — on roads, water, pipelines, housing, etc. We hope that 2019 is a transformational year in Midland and across the Permian Basin, and we hope that transformation begins with more announcements of investment.

Sure, there are other needs, and they will have their place in the community's conversation, but first, we have to get infrastructure right.

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Ocasio-Cortez borrows from Trump

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One of the most comforting talking points in politics is to claim that your political opponents are irrationally obsessed. I'm sure this is as old as time, but I first noticed it in the late 1990s. Many of Bill Clinton's most ardent supporters responded to every new criticism by claiming the president's enemies were twisted by hate for the man. During the George W. Bush administration, thanks in part to a phrase coined by my late friend Charles Krauthammer, conservatives deflected criticism of the president by claiming his foes suffered from "Bush derangement syndrome."

The term caught on, and Obama supporters hurled charges of "Obama derangement syndrome" (along with charges of "racism" — a secular term for a kind of derangement) at Obama's opposition. Today, it's not hard to find people claiming that Donald Trump's adversaries are obsessed, deranged, or conspiracy-obsessed witch hunters. A search of Twitter finds an infinitely long stream of references to "Trump derangement syndrome."

Now, here's the thing: Sometimes it's true. Clinton, Bush, Obama and Trump all had — and have — their haters. And some people do lose their bearings and immediately leap to the most outlandish interpretation of the facts (or rumors disguised as facts). The paranoid style is a bipartisan phenomenon in American life.

But sometimes the people making the "derangement syndrome" or "hater" charge are the ones who refuse to see the facts, taking comfort in the fallacy that the motives, real or imagined, of a critic automatically disqualify the criticism.

Anyway, you get the point.

What interests me is how this psychological phenomenon has become professionalized, particularly in the digital age.

As Emory University political scientists Alan Abramowitz and Steven Webster have documented, we live in a moment of extreme negative partisanship: Millions of Americans are driven more by the dislike of the other party than by attachment to their own.

In this kind of climate, being hated by the right people is the best way to get not just a big following but an intensely loyal one. I've written about this before, but I think it's worth revisiting in the context of Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, the "it girl" (sorry, "it person") of the left these days.

The head of the DNC not long ago referred to her as "the future of the Democratic Party." She's received fawning, glowing-to-the-point-of-incandescent coverage from the mainstream media and outsized critical attention from Fox News and other right-leaning outlets.

AOC, as many call her, is attractive, young, Hispanic and almost eloquent in her passion for some ill-defined notion of socialism or social democracy. She also says many untrue and silly things. Just (last) week she suggested in a tweet that the Pentagon misplaced some $21 trillion in funding that could have paid for most of a $32 trillion "Medicare for All" scheme. A Defense Department spokesman told the Washington Post's Fact Checker column: "DoD hasn't received $21 trillion in (nominal) appropriated funding across the entirety of American history."

In recent months, she said unemployment was low because so many people are working two jobs (that's not how it works), that the "upper-middle class doesn't exist anymore" (it does), and that we'd save money on funeral expenses if we had "Medicare for All."

If you point out the absurdity of these things, the almost instantaneous defense is that her critics are obsessed with an incoming-freshman congresswoman. In some cases, they're right. The fixation some conservatives have with her clothes is over the top (though I did love one wag's phrase, "Neiman Marxist").

But what her defenders leave out is their own obsession with the woman.

In other words, AOC is quite brilliantly playing a lot of people for suckers. She already has more Twitter followers than the other 60 incoming freshman Democrats combined.

Ocasio-Cortez, wittingly or not, has appropriated a technique mastered by President Trump.

Trump prefers positive attention, but he'll take negative attention over no attention every time, in part because he knows his supporters will intensify their dedication to him in response to allegedly unfair attacks. AOC is doing the same thing. By forcing partisans to take sides, she generates controversy. Controversy attracts media attention. Media attention generates even more controversy. And so on.

As with Trump, sometimes she clearly knows what she's doing, and other times she simply displays her ignorance. But at this stage, it doesn't matter. The more right-wing partisans attack her, the more left-wing partisans rally to her. The more left-wingers rally to her, the more justified the right feels in paying attention to her.

I suspect this will be new model for years to come.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

IAEA has guidelines for nuclear-storage facilities

When I saw (the Nov. 28) front page story discussing the upcoming rebuttal from WCS of the arguments against storing high-level nuclear waste in West Texas, it piqued my interest. Nuclear energy has been used worldwide for many decades. In fact, growing up in Denver, Colorado, my father worked for Cyprus Minerals and was responsible for the uranium mine outside Canon City. I grew up a fan of nuclear energy.

The question I asked myself when the WCS rebuttal was queued up was simple: Is there a guidebook — call it a "best practices manual" — on how to locate, build, and operate a nuclear storage facility that isn't adjacent to a nuclear power plant? The answer to that question is a resounding "yes."

In September 2007 the International Atomic Energy Agency, which was set up in 1957 by the United Nations, published a report titled "Selection of Away from Reactor Facilities for Spent Fuel Storage — A Guidebook." The guidebook discusses regulatory, environmental and technical recommendations and also provides recommendations regarding facility locations. Section 3.2.2 — titled location and infrastructure — states: "The AFR implementing organization would also be advised to avoid land with exploitable mineral and energy resources, land adjacent to airports, toxic chemical facilities, facilities manufacturing or using explosives, and refineries."

The IAEA is the world's central intergovernmental forum for scientific and technical cooperation in the nuclear field. It has provided a guidebook, call them best practices, for establishing an away-from-reactor facility for storage of spent fuel. And the IAEA guidebook clearly states that it's not a good idea to locate a facility near exploitable minerals and energy sources. So why are we even having a discussion about placing a storage facility anywhere in or near the greater Permian Basin?

Sean McDaniel

More than 36K pounds collected at recycling event

Texas Recycles Day 2018 in Midland was a big success, and we would like to thank everyone who brought electronics, tires, items for reuse, papers for shredding, etc. Electronics recycling was by far the most popular service the day of as two semi-trucks were filled in just four hours with a total of 36,709 pounds collected.

Keep Midland Beautiful will pay $10,580 for this electronics recycling, a service that is free to the community during this one-day annual event. 10,000 pounds of confidential documents for shredding by Secured Document Shredding were received. Their donation of services meant $6,500 of shredding didn't cost our participants a dime. Bill Williams Tire Centers took 150 tires, and also collected were reusable items for the Salvation Army Thrift Store and tons of cardboard.

The city's Solid Waste Division is disposing anything that is brought to the event that can't be recycled, and the Transportation Division set up the cones and barricades that made the route safe for hundreds of vehicles to drive through.

This huge recycling event would not happen if not for the generosity of Midland College allowing the use of the Chaparral Center parking lot and the coordination with the MC facilities employees. A big thank you to our volunteers from Early College High School, University of Texas of the Permian Basin softball team, Lee Freshman High School Student Council, Midland High ROTC, Citizens on Patrol, KMB board members and friends and family who helped direct traffic, unload items from vehicles and then load then on to a semi or recycling container, greet people and basically do anything they were asked.

And we appreciate our sponsors Midland County, Walmart, and Secured Document Shredding. Their contributions help to bring Texas Recycles Day to the community at no charge.

We will be there again next year, so save up your recyclables and we will see you then.

Doreen Womack, executive director of Keep Midland Beautiful

ELECTION LETTERS

Trischitti meets criteria to serve on board

Voting is one of the highest duties we have. In an election that involves our children's future, we should pay close attention.

My family and I live in District 5; my oldest child will attend San Jacinto next year. The District 5 race is one of the most important recent elections I have voted in.

I support John Trischitti because I believe he will immediately have a positive and collaborative effect on our schools. Many have pointed to his successes at the Midland County library, a large, formerly failing entity. The library is now one of the first stops for our family when we have visitors in town. Their reaction to this space is always, "wow!"

I want to be able to say "wow" about MISD; my sense is that everyone in our community wants that, too.

We want innovation at MISD and someone who will ask tough questions. We want someone with skin in the game. We want someone who is a proven leader and will lead by example. We want someone who is able to work with the current board, teachers, local leaders and members of the community who are moving quickly to make MISD great.

John Trischitti meets that criteria. He has my vote.

Clint Williamson

Trischitti has perspective, knowledge to be trustee

John Trischitti for school board is an easy choice. He is energetic, smart and deeply committed to the children, parents and educators in Midland ISD.

Beyond several years of experience partnering with parents and schools on literacy programs through the Midland County Public Library, he has a long history of board work and collaboration at a community level. Trischitti is a team player and will follow through with tasks. He will be able to jump in and get right to work.

Finally, with four children attending MISD schools, John has the buy-in and perspective to help him serve MISD students, parents and educators from a knowledgeable platform.

Vote John Trischitti for MISD District 5 trustee.

Gary Gray

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Worry less about inflation and more about recession



RAMESH PONNURU
Bloomberg

Any move by the Federal Reserve is the subject of concern and debate, as it should be. President Donald Trump has gotten involved in that debate, breaking a tradition of recent decades of presidential silence about Fed policy. He is "not even a little bit happy" about higher interest rates.

Some economists join Trump in thinking that the Fed is raising them too quickly. Others side with the Fed: Harvard professor Martin Feldstein, a longtime adviser to Republican presidents, argues that we need interest rates to be high enough that they can be brought down to stimulate the economy in the event of a recession.

On the question of whether the Fed is being too aggressive, some agnosticism and equanimity are called for. If the Fed has erred in either a hawkish or a dovish direction, it has erred only slightly.

(Fed Chairman Jay Powell's comment that interest rates are now "just below" a neutral level suggests as much.)

Both unemployment and inflation remain significantly below the average of the last 50 years. Expected inflation is running near the Fed's 2 percent target. You can't reasonably ask for a much better performance, especially if you accept that inflation target.

We should use this moment of relative monetary calm to consider deeper questions, such as whether that target is the right one. Former Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker thinks it is too high and allows too much debasement of the currency over time, pointing out that "a 2 percent inflation rate, successfully maintained, would mean the price level doubles in little more than a generation."

If Volcker is right, we should move the target from the 2 percent target to something closer to 0. He argues that lower inflation would not risk raising unemployment or turning into a dangerous deflation. But if he casts doubt on the costs of reducing the inflation target, he does not establish that this course would have large benefits. He does not, that is, establish that persistent 2 percent inflation is worth worrying about.

A high and highly variable inflation rate adds uncertainty to the economy, frustrating households and businesses as they try to make their economic plans. But if the Fed keeps inflation moving in a narrow band around a low average, that problem dwindles. Whether that average is 0 or 2 matters less than that it's predictable.

The real failing of the current monetary regime is not that it generates too much inflation. We haven't had ruinous levels of inflation since the early 1980s (something for which Volcker's own chairmanship deserves great credit).

We have, however, had a severe recession and a weak recovery, beginning a decade ago, and it is not at all clear the Fed is well-equipped to prevent a recurrence.

There are several reasons for concern about how the Fed will respond to the next downturn. Because it targets inflation, it may be tempted to tighten money inappropriately after a negative supply shock. In 2008, for example, higher oil prices seem to have led to a more restrictive Fed policy than warranted.

Stabilizing the business cycle requires treating increases in inflation differently if they are caused by a lower money supply or increased public demand for money balances, on the one hand, or a reduction in the availability of a key resource on the other. The stricter the inflation-targeting regime, the less likely the Fed will be to make those distinctions.

Another possible complication during the next downturn: Because interest rates have been generally declining for a generation and the Fed typically relies on reductions in interest rates to boost the economy, it may find itself with little ability to help in the next recession.

This is why Feldstein wants higher rates now. That solution, though, creates problems of its own. It requires a more restrictive policy, and thus higher unemployment and lower economic output, than economic circumstances themselves would dictate, just to preserve the central bank's room to maneuver. It risks starting recessions in the cause of being able to fight them.

Since 2008, the Fed has taken to paying banks interest on their excess reserves. This policy allowed it to recapitalize the banks during the financial crisis without creating runaway inflation. But it also, as a new book and study explain, undermined the Fed's efforts to promote recovery.

The Federal Reserve may be tempted to dismiss Trump's criticisms as off base and politically motivated, especially since it seems to be steering monetary policy pretty well at the moment. But it should not be complacent about how prepared it is in case it hits a rock.

You can debunk Confederate plaque in minutes

■ ANALYSIS

By Ross Ramsey
Texas Tribune



This Aug. 17, 2017 file photo shows, The Children of the Confederacy Creed plaque at the Capitol in Austin. State Rep. Eric Johnson of Dallas, a black Democratic lawmaker, is renewing calls to immediately remove the Confederate plaque after the state's attorney general said that doing so doesn't require a legislative vote.

Jay Janner/Austin American-Statesman via AP, File

State government acts quickly when it needs to. That's why you can tell when state officials don't think they need to act quickly.

To be clear, this is not about faceless bureaucrats bogging things down. It's about elected state leaders with faces too politically cautious to make easy decisions.

The governor, the attorney general and presumptive speaker of the Texas House have lately turned their attention to a controversial and false plaque in the Texas Capitol that commemorates the Civil War.

It's been a long time coming.

Credit state Rep. Eric Johnson, D-Dallas, for raising a stink about this, and for showing all of us just how slowly state government can move, even when presented with what looks like a simple problem. Johnson pointed out well over a year ago that the memorial was an embarrassment, calling for the immediate removal of the plaque on August 17, 2017, in a letter to Rod Welsh, executive director of the State Preservation Board. He copied Gov. Greg Abbott, Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, Speaker Joe Straus and House Administration Committee Chairman Charlie Geren, R-Fort Worth.

A month later, Straus agreed that it should come down. Nothing happened.

The brass plate remains screwed to the wall in the Texas Capitol and also screwed up in its version of Texas and American history. Its second paragraph: "We, therefore, pledge ourselves to preserve pure ideals; to honor our veterans; to study and teach the truths of history (one of the most important of which is, that the war between the states was not a rebellion, nor was its underlying cause to sustain slavery), and to always act in a manner that will reflect honor upon our noble and patriotic ancestors."

There is an impressive amount of malarkey packed inside those parentheses.

Here's a "truth of history" that every Texas student should have learned in school: The state seceded from the Union — that is, bailed out of the United States — after adopting "A declaration of the causes which impel the State of Texas to secede from the Federal Union" on February 2, 1861.

That document referred to Texas' admission to the Union as a state just 16 years earlier, and it were pretty clear about where Texans thought the U.S. had run afoul of the original deal:

"She (Texas) was received as a commonwealth holding, maintaining and protecting the institution known as negro slavery — the servitude of the African to the white race within her limits — a relation that had existed from the first settlement of her wilderness by the white race, and which her people intended should exist in all future time. Her institutions and geographical position established the strongest ties between her and other slave-holding States of the confederacy. Those ties have been strengthened by association. But what has been the course of the government of the United States, and of the people and authorities of the non-slave-holding States, since our connection with them?

"The controlling majority of the Federal Government, under various pretences and disguises, has so administered the same as to exclude the citizens of the Southern States, unless under odious and unconstitutional restrictions, from all the immense territory owned in common by all the States on the Pacific Ocean, for the avowed purpose of acquiring sufficient power in the common government to use it as a means of destroying the institutions of Texas and her sister slave-holding States."

That's not all. They got even more specific a little further on in the document:

"In all the non-slave-holding States, in violation of that good faith and comity which should exist between entirely distinct nations, the people have formed themselves into a great sectional party, now strong enough in numbers to control the affairs of each of those States, based upon the unnatural feeling of hostility to these Southern States and their beneficent and patriarchal system of African slavery, proclaiming the debasing doctrine of the equality of all men, irrespective of race or color — a doctrine at war with nature, in opposition to the experience of mankind, and in violation of the plainest revelations of the Divine Law. They demand the abolition of negro slavery throughout the confederacy, the recognition of political equality between the white and the negro races, and avow their determination to press on their crusade against us, so long as a negro slave remains in these States."

That "truth of history" promise carries some real baggage, doesn't it? Wonder why anyone said the Civil War was about slavery.

It wasn't only slavery, but that was the recurring subject in the secession document. The Confederate Texans also said the federal government had done too little to protect the state from "Indian savages" and "the murderous forays of banditti from the neighboring territory of Mexico; and when our state government has expended large amounts for such purpose, the Federal Government has refused reimbursement therefor."

That last bit could have been written last month, come to think of it.

Toward the end, that document contains another historical gem:

"And, finally, by the combined sectional vote of the seventeen non-slave-holding States, they have elected as president and vice-president of the whole confederacy two men whose chief claims to such high positions are their approval of these long continued wrongs, and their pledges to continue them to the final consummation of these schemes for the ruin of the slave-holding States."

The bad hombres in that paragraph were Abraham Lincoln and Hannibal Hamlin. Perhaps there's a plaque somewhere commemorating those guys.

So much for fact-checking the Texas plaque. With its content so easily debunked, the real question is why it's still there for all the citizens and their kids to see.

A related tidbit: The plaque dates to 1959, but survived a renovation of the Capitol that was completed in 1995. The Confederacy apparently lasted longer than one might have thought.

It lingers in spirit, still. The plaque is still in place. But the elections are behind us all. The attorney general says the Preservation Board has the power to remove it and so does the Legislature. Straus is about to retire but his apparent replacement, state Rep. Dennis Bonnen, R-Angleton, agrees the plaque should go. Abbott, who earlier promised to "look into" the issue, also said earlier this year that the Legislature should take it down. Meanwhile, the Preservation Board will meet next month; the governor chairs that panel, and the lieutenant governor and speaker are co-vice chairs.

Maybe they'll do something. It's no model of efficiency, but sometimes it takes months, years or even decades of legal opinions, committee meetings, political spats and thumb-sucking to accomplish what could have been done by a single Texan with a crowbar and the tacit backing of a high state official or two.

EXPORTS

From 1B

From 2008 to 2017, Texas natural gas exports increased from 209 billion cubic feet to nearly 1.3 trillion cubic feet.

The Texas Gulf Coast is now home to the latest liquefied natural gas (LNG) export facility: Cheniere's $15 billion Corpus Christi Liquefication. Six other LNG exports facilities are planned or under construction in the region. The Cheniere facility alone generated an estimated $17 billion in economic contributions for Texas over the previous nine years of construction, providing 4,000 jobs at its peak.

Meanwhile, another planned LNG export facility in Port Arthur is expected to reduce the U.S. trade deficit by $5.3 billion per year.

The International Energy Agency recently predicted that natural gas will overtake coal as the second largest energy source in the world, behind only oil. At the opening of the Corpus Christi LNG facility, U.S. Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross said of natural gas that "demand everywhere is getting to be insatiable."

According to some analysts, the United States will become the world's third lvargest exporter of natural gas by the end of 2019, and the growing global appetite for LNG means Texas — and specifically the Permian Basin — will become an even more significant world player.

This means more economic benefits for Texas, as well as enhanced energy security for our allies. Port Arthur LNG's recently announced partnership with Poland could result in the delivery of over 100 billion cubic feet of U.S. natural gas per year. These new supplies of stable American LNG will help Poland reduce its reliance on Russia, which currently provides two-thirds of Poland's natural gas.

But it's not just American natural gas that trading partners around the world are demanding. A recent IHS report estimates that between 2007 and 2017, U.S. petroleum exports helped cut the trade deficit by nearly $250 billion. Soaring production from Texas shale plays has bolstered U.S. petroleum exports so much that the United States is projected to be a net exporter of petroleum — for the first time since 1949 — in the next few years.

Crude oil exports from the Houston-Galveston Port District accounted for 70 percent of the 2 million b/d of oil exported from the United States in May. The Houston-Galveston port district this year became a net exporter of crude oil for the first time ever, coinciding with the United States overtaking Russia and Saudi Arabia as the world's largest oil producer.

This is a massive leap, considering the ban on American crude oil exports was lifted fewer than three years ago.

The Permian Basin has helped the United States reverse its position as a country overly dependent on imported energy to a nation that is now driving global markets. Oil production in the Permian is projected to double by 2023, and pipeline constraints are set to ease by the end of next year, which means as great as the numbers are today, we're just getting started.

Steve Everley is spokesman for Texans for Natural Gas, and Ben Shepperd is president of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association.

Obituaries



Atlee Edmund Taylor Jr.

Atlee Edmund Taylor, Jr., of Midland, Texas, passed away November 14, 2018, at the age of 91 at Midland Memorial Hospital after a brief illness. Atlee was born on October 30, 1927, to Atlee Edmund and Nora (Snoddy) Taylor, Sr. in Cordell, Oklahoma. He graduated from Cordell High School and was married to Billie Harvey in Sentinel, Oklahoma, in July, 1950. He served in the Army in Korea and graduated from Southwestern University with a degree in education. He earned the distinction of never missing a day of school during his entire education, grades 1 through college graduation.

After teaching for five years, he began his career as land man with Citgo Oil Company which later became Occidental Petroleum Corporation. He was a lifelong member of First Baptist Church Midland and an avid hunter and fisherman.

Atlee was preceded in death by his parents, Ed and Nora Taylor. He is survived by his wife of 68 years, Billie (Harvey) Taylor; daughter, Carol (Buddy) Ellis; son, Stephen (Diane) Taylor; granddaughters, Teri Ellis, Ginger (Mitchell) Rider, and Brittany (Brian) Hochradel; grandson Jay (Jennifer) Ellis; and three great granddaughters.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements were under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland. Online condolences may be made at *www.npwelch.com*.

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Edith May McFarland

Edith May McFarland, 93 of Midland, passed away on December 7, 2018 at her home in Midland, TX.

Memorial service will be at 10:00a.m. Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at Sunset Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Clark Rocca, officiating.

Burial will be in Stroud, OK at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of Sunset Memorial Gardens & Funeral Home.

Edith May McFarland was born to Charles & Virgie Melton on March 10, 1925. She went to school at Kendrick, OK. First, she worked as a painter for Beech Aircraft in Wichita, KS during WWII. The stars on many WWII aircrafts were hand painted by her. She married the love of her life, Jess E. McFarland on December 29, 1945 in Stroud, OK. As her family grew she took in ironing (by the piece) at her home. After her children were all enrolled in school, she spent many years in the grocery business.

Everyone in her home was welcomed with open arms and loved through her kitchen delicacies. Only God knows the number of souls blessed around her table. She was an avid gardener of both vegetables and flowers, seamstress, wonderful wife, mother and homemaker and she made countless afghans for her family. Her life was a labor of love caring for her family. In later life her home making skills were used as caregiver in the homes of elderly people whose lives were blessed and enriched by her skills.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church of Alva Oklahoma prior to her retirement in Midland. After a setback in health, she continued to enjoy weekly Christian programs from her home.

Edith is preceded in death by her husband, Jess E. McFarland, parents, Charles & Virgie Melton, brothers, Hubert Melton, Otis Melton, Kenneth Melton, Junior Melton, sisters Lela Melton Henley, Opal Melton Sill, and several nieces and nephews.

Edith is survived by four children, daughter Carolyn J. Wilson and husband Allen Wilson of Alva, OK, son Gary D. McFarland of Odessa, TX, daughter Martha A. McFarland of Midland, TX, daughter Kathy McFarland Spoon of Athens, TX, eight grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, sister and brother-in-laws, and multiple nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be given to New Mexico Christian Children Home, 1356 New Mexico, Portales, NM 88130-9411.

The family of Mrs. McFarland wishes to extend our sincere thanks to Emcompass Rehab and Dr. Shayeb.

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Essie Mae Lee Smith

Essie Mae Lee Smith, passed away peacefully at home on December 2, 2018, at the age of 65. She was born November 9, 1953, in Midland, Texas to MacDonald Kelley and Mary Lou Lee Brown. She met and married the love of her life Leroy Smith Sr. in 1976.

She was one to support her family and a mother to all. She was known as Mac Mac, Sweetie, Aunt Essie and Mama to all her nieces, nephews and close friends. Her quick and savvy sense of humor were present until the day she departed her life.

She was preceded in death by her parents MacDonald Kelley and Mary Lou Lee Brown. She leaves behind to cherish her sweet memories her husband, Leroy Smith Sr.; son, Leroy Smith Jr.; daughter, Tazer Hall (Sammy) all of Midland, Texas; brothers, Calvin Lee (Beverly) and James Lee both of Midland, Texas; sisters, Wanda Lee Younger (Donnie) and Lula Lee both of Midland, Texas and Tammy Lee Holloway (Gayley Beal) of Tyler, Texas; granddaughter, Za'Niya Hall of Midland, Texas; and, a host of nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends. Visitation will be Sunday, December 9, 2018 at Avalos-Sanchez and Thomas Funeral Home from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The family will receive friends from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Funeral services will be held on Monday, December 10, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church, 2400 N. Tyler, Midland, Texas 79705, with Rev. Curtis Joiner officiating. Burial will follow at Serenity Memorial Gardens Cemetery, 6800 S. Hwy. 349, Midland, Texas 79706. Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Avalos-Sanchez & Thomas Funeral Home.

Holli Dian Jones

Holli Dian Jones, age 65, passed away of natural causes on December 4, 2018 at Midland Memorial Hospital. A visitation will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 pm Monday, December 10, 2018 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory. A funeral service will be held at 2:00 pm Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home Chapel in Midland, Texas.

Holli was born in Post, Texas on November 12, 1953 to Hal and Jean Jones. She grew up in Post and Jal, New Mexico when her family moved there in 1969. She was briefly married to Steven Hammond when she was 17. That marriage didn't work out so she chose to be a Jones again. She lived in Houston for three years. There she started working in the title and abstract business. She worked in that business for thirty years in Houston and in Midland when she moved there in 1977. Her last employment was with Plains Marketing in Midland where she worked as a dispatcher.

Holli loved her family, all of her family, more than anything. She was kind and generous (sometimes to a fault) to her family and friends. You could always count on Holli to provide entertainment with her "duck talk" and many other accents. She loved to read and watch movies. She loved history, languages, and was always eager to delve into peoples' last names and their histories. Holli was a memorable person to everyone she met. She lived life on her own terms and will be terribly missed.

Holli is survived by her sister, Mara Jones Rundell of Glassboro, New Jersey; her brother, Johny Jones and his wife Leslie of Jal, New Mexico; her nephews Hal Jacob Jones of Midland, Ethan Rundell of Glassboro, New Jersey; her nephew Owain Rundell of Glassboro, New Jersey; her niece, Holly Jade Jones Aguirre of Jal, New Mexico; her great niece Emma Aguirre; her adopted nephew Bernie Black; and her beloved six cats and two dogs.

She is preceded in death by her father, Hal Jones; her mother, Jean Jones; and her best friend of forty five years, Nancy Knight.

The family would like to express their gratitude towards Nelly Burgos, Melissa Barnard, and Cynthia Johnson.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Midland Humane Coalition.

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

All Obituaries must be submitted by 3:30 P.M. prior to next publication day.

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Nancy Joanna White Perry (Jo)

Nancy Joanna White Perry (Jo) passed away on November 12, 2018. She was born to Thomas Bronson and Doris Bacon White on December 12, 1931 in Olean, New York. The family moved to East Orange, New Jersey for a few years before finally moving to South St. Paul, Minnesota where she grew up, graduated from high school and earned her Associate Degree in Nursing from the Bethesda Hospital School of Nursing in St. Paul, Minnesota in 1952.

She was looking for adventure so she moved to Denver, Colorado and started her nursing career at the Colorado General Hospital when she met Charles R. Perry on a blind date. When Charles completed his service in the U.S. Army they decided to move to Odessa, Texas.

Jo spent a large part of her adult life working with drug and alcohol addicts, and on programs to prevent alcohol and drug abuse. Her efforts were recognized by Texas Governor Mark White in 1985 when he appointed her to a term as a Commissioner on the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (TCADA).

Jo also served as an ordained Elder in the Presbyterian Church, in the Junior Service League in various officer, board and committee chair capacities.

As the years went by she began to slowly lose her memory and was diagnosed with dementia in 2008. Generally, people with this affliction do not live very long.

She maintained a fairly active life with the help of new medications until the last three years, when the decline became so significant that in-home care was required and later a memory care facility in Odessa. She then moved to another home closer to her daughter's home in Salado, Texas.

Jo was preceded in death by her husband Charles, her daughter Diane, her parents Tom and Doris White and her grandson David Perry Rowe. She is survived by her brother Robert Thomas White (Kaye White), 3 children and their spouses, Elizabeth Ann Perry Sewell (Richard W. Sewell), Charles Thomas Perry (Ruth Deal Perry) and Nancy Marie Perry Eaton (Peter Eaton) and 5 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren.

The family is very thankful for the staff's outstanding care they gave Jo at Arbor House in Temple, where she lived until the end. They treated her as if she were their own mom. Many thanks to Kindred Hospice for the wonderful care they provided to Jo during the last months of her life.

Memorial services will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Monday Dec 10th, 2018 at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 4901 Maple Avenue in Odessa, Texas. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to Alcoholics Anonymous - Basin Group, Alzheimer's Association, the Salvation Army or the charity of your choice.

Service are in the care of Broecker Funeral Home, Salado.



Sue Bullard Hicks Shoesmith

Sue Bullard Hicks Shoesmith left this world to be with her Lord and Savior on December 3, 2018 after a short battle with cancer.

Sue was born on October 28, 1935 in Olney, Illinois to Gerald and Nellie Bullard. She attended Richland County High School in Olney.

Sue met and married her first husband Charles Vernon Hicks with whom she had five children, all who reside in Texas.

Surviving her are children Michael and wife Katie of Bastrop, Mark and wife Christy of Highland Village, Larry and wife Susan of Lubbock, Gary and wife Lynn of Weatherford, her only and very special daughter Valerie of Denton, and stepson Shawn Shoesmith and wife Katie of Hubbard.

Sue and the family lived in Lakewood, Colorado from 1960-1971, and also in Midland, Texas where all her children graduated from Robert E. Lee High School.

Mamma Sue as she was affectionately known to many, was a kind, funny, playful and caring second mother to many of her children's friends.

Sue worked for the Midland Reporter-Telegram for many years.

Sue later married Ivan "Shu" Shoesmith and relocated to Medford, Oregon. Sue and Shu, as they were know, were a musical duo, bringing joy and happiness with their big band, jazz and swing sound to all in the Medford, Oregon area. After retiring in 2004, they moved to Denton, Texas and closer to her children and grandchildren. Sue was blessed with her first great grandchild this past summer.

Sue is preceded in death by her husband of 35 years, Ivan in 2016, and her brother Jerry in 2009.

She leaves behind 9 grandchildren, 1 great granddaughter, and many half brothers and sisters, nieces, nephews and cousins.

A celebration of life will be held at Shepherd of Life Lutheran Church in Arlington, TX on Wednesday, December 12th at 2:00pm.

Death Notices

Steven Culpepper

Steven Culpepper, 57, of Midland, passed away on Thursday, December 6, 2018 in Midland. Memorial services will be held on Saturday, December 15, 2018 at 11:00AM at Christ Church Anglican in Midland.

He is survived by his wife, Sherry Culpepper; children, Charissa Culpepper; Cassie Culpepper; Steven Culpepper, Jr.; and Cynthia Culpepper; father, Harold Culpepper; two sisters, Terry Foster and Christi Culpepper.

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friend Yvonne York, who sat with her on a trailer, each with an American flag in hand.

"He was a good president," Sommerville said of Bush, "a good man. He wasn't a snob like most people with money."

Also, because this is America, there was diversity of thought about this president. As the crowd left after the train had passed through (biggest traffic jam ever in Todd Mission?), I caught a glimpse of a pickup bearing a large, handmade sign expressing continuing concern about the savings-and-loan crisis of the 1980s.

But, for almost all, this was a day to show respect.

Larry Leggett's real estate business is in a metal building just feet from the tracks. So are facilities where, hours before the train came through, there was a sound beloved by the late Bush — a bat making firm contact with ball.

Leggett coaches a local youth baseball organization, the Texas Seminoles, and has a batting cage in the metal building near the tracks.

"I want to pay my respects to one of our presidents," he said of why it was important for him to be there.

"He's not only a president. He's a war hero for us."

Kathy Procenkodrove from her Conroe home to stand trackside in Todd Mission.

"This is history," she said, "something we'll never see again."

She respected Bush as a "kind, kind president. He didn't have any bad words to say about anybody."

So I had to ask Procenko if she supports our current president. She does, seeing no dichotomy in supporting presidents of such differing approaches to life in general.

"It's a different style," she said. "Two different ways. But it's a different world, too."

I left it at that.

Not far away, in the muddy field, Larry Fielder, 72, from "right down at the end of that road" and American Legion Post 459, handed out small American flags.

"That's just what we do," he said of why he felt it was important to be there. "That's Texas."

For these Texans at this unremarkable intersection, it was about being there, even for a fleeting moment, for a man they thought had been there for them.

Seconds after the train had gone by, Levasseur and others scrambled to retrieve coins they'd placed on the rails.

"This is four dimes and a penny together right here," he said, holding the five coins now fused together by a rolling piece of history.

"These coins will go to my grandchildren," he said.

A few minutes earlier, from on board the train down the track, longtime Bush spokesman Jim McGrath took to Twitter to report what he was seeing as he watched people watching a train roll by: "America at its best."

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Everyone could a lesson or two from President Bush

JAY AMBROSE
Tribune News Service



Oh, cut it out, some leftist critics have said of the adulation now being visited on the late President George H.W. Bush.

But what they might want to do is learn from him. They might want to reflect on his courtesy, his kindness, his honesty, his forgiving nature, his courage, his strength of personality, his sense of what is right and wrong at a given time, his love of country, his overall character.

We could most of us take a lesson or two or maybe a hundred from him, and then there's his presidency. Disabled folks, listen, he made life a lot better for you with a law addressing all kinds of ways in which you could be aided when necessary and made equal with everyone else when applying for jobs. He took on economic mishaps and got the better of them. He helped reunite East and West Germany.

The list goes on and on, but a real biggie is the way he followed up on his predecessor's work on ending the Cold War and facilitating the dismemberment of the Soviet Union. While rearrangements were tough and perilous, Bush pulled it off with calm, cool decorum that avoided the worst possibilities and abetted the best. Critics often say Bush and President Ronald Reagan were not prime players in what happened, and obviously, as in any major historic event, myriad forces were at play. But these two took charge and made choices in a manner crucial to things unfolding the way they did, and to say otherwise is just politics.

So why didn't he win re-election? Well, he had said no new taxes in his campaign and he helped produce new taxes and this was a killer, as he knew it would be even though he had decided to put his view of what was right over his political future. Then there was Ross Perot taking votes from him as a third-party candidate — he would almost surely have won otherwise — and a politically brilliant opponent in Bill Clinton, someone happily indulging in trash talk for the sake of victory.

The interesting thing here, of course, is that the endlessly, recklessly bashed Bush was as good-hearted and helpful to Clinton after the votes were counted as anyone could be. Clinton grew to love him. The two were like father and son. This says so much about the man, as does his graduating from Yale in two and a half years, his 73-year marriage to the great Barbara Bush, the way he raised his sons, his heroism as a Navy aviator, his enormous success as a businessman and his respected service as a member of the House, as CIA chief and as an ambassador.

As a journalist for more than a half century, I've known lots of politicians on the local, state and national level. There are those I admire and too many who have done damage to my hopes and expectations. A chief fault is ego and self-interest, of putting one's own political success above the common good, if with a ready means of justification. What is sometimes said behind closed doors is that they have to do this to win, but that their victory will produce more good than a trivial misstep. No, not if it becomes a way of things.

I only met Bush once. He was vice president then, and it was just a brief press conference in which he outlined his precise, detailed understanding of an issue. I was impressed but I have been far more impressed by all the testimony about his exceptionalism, private as well as public. Obviously, he made mistakes as president and he's as vulnerable as any leader to questions about decisions interpreted by some as dreadful or worse. But his overriding decency, his focus on serving his country above any personal consideration, make me salute him with all my heart.

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George H.W. Bush: distinguished public servant, loyal friend

RUBEN NAVARRETTE JR.
Washington Post Writers Group



I never had the honor of meeting George H.W. Bush, but I was lucky enough to meet one of his oldest and dearest friends.

That man's name was Don Gaylien.

Bush was a businessman, congressman, CIA director, U.S. ambassador to China, vice president, and the 41st president of the United States. When I met Gaylien, he was a 75-year-old Mexican-American retired postal worker in Phoenix living on a pension and Social Security.

Bush grew up in Connecticut as the son of a U.S. senator and attended the prestigious Phillips Academy. Gaylien started high school in bare feet, because his family couldn't afford shoes. He remembered that movie theaters in Phoenix had signs in the front window that read: "Absolutely no Mexicans or Negroes."

We already know part of the story. Bush enlisted and became one of the youngest bomber pilots in the Navy. He was assigned to the USS San Jacinto, and completed about 50 successful bombing missions before he was shot down over the Pacific Ocean in September 1944. He parachuted into the water, and he made his way to a life raft. He drifted for hours, and he wasn't sure if he'd survive.

Indeed, his two crew members did not.

At this point in his life, Bush was just 20.

Fast forward 55 years. It's April 1999, and I'm a metro columnist working at the Arizona Republic in Phoenix. In the world of politics, two things seemed certain at the time: Texas Gov. George W. Bush was going to run for the Republican nomination for president the following year; and Arizona Sen. John McCain was going to be running right alongside him.

My editor sent me to follow up on a rumor that George Bush had quietly crept into town, into McCain territory, for a high-priced fundraiser at a swanky hotel.

I got to the hotel and tried to enter the building for a closer look. But I was turned away by Secret Service agents.

Secret Service? For the governor of Texas?

George Bush was in town alright — but it was George H.W. Bush. A proud father, and former president, had come to the desert to raise money for his son's upcoming presidential bid.

Gaylien was there that day, too. He had been invited to the fundraiser by an old war buddy who had left a comped ticket with his name on it. I noticed him as he came out of the hotel, this dark-skinned elderly man in a simple suit. I approached him and asked if he had been at the fundraiser. He smiled and said yes. I asked how he had found himself there, and he explained that former President Bush was his friend and that, in fact, the two had been friends for more than a half-century.

I had to hear more. So I invited the man to lunch. There, he told me his story.

Gaylien was in Bush's life, and vice versa, because the Phoenix native was also present that fateful day during World War II.

Like Bush, Gaylien served aboard the USS San Jacinto from 1943 to 1944. And like Bush, Gaylien flew bombing missions as part of the VT-51 torpedo squadron. Bush was a pilot; Gaylien was a radio man and gunner who received the Distinguished Flying Cross.

When Bush was shot down, Gaylien was one of the radio operators who called in a submarine rescue. The two had been friends ever since. After World War II ended, Bush came home and started his climb. Gaylien came home and confronted a familiar mountain.

"Here we were, coming back from the war, and we were still discriminated against," Gaylien told me with tears in his eyes.

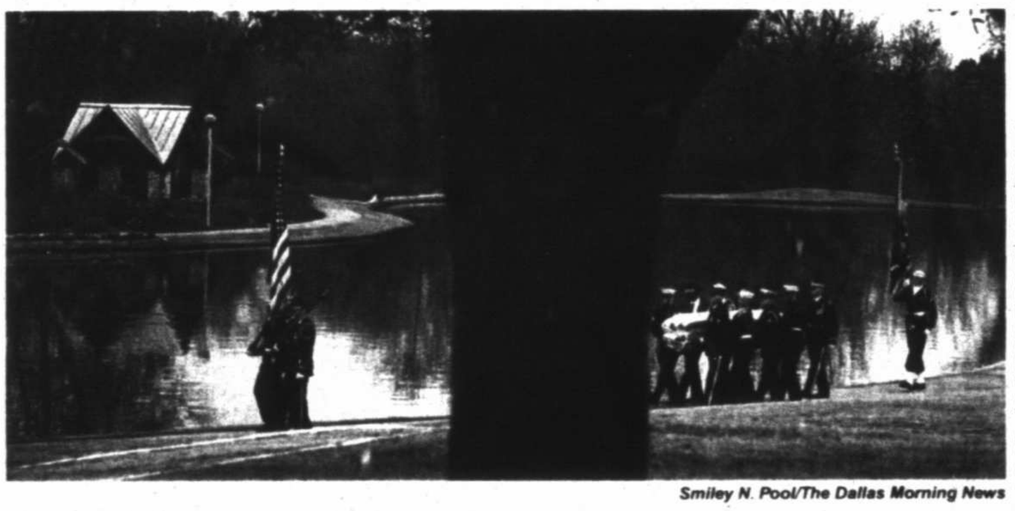
He and other Latino veterans set out to change that, and they did.

For Latinos, that's our version of the Greatest Generation — defeating evil in Asia and Europe, then doing the same here at home.

Bush never forgot about Gaylien. Over the years, he invited his old friend to special events like the 1988 presidential inauguration and reunions of the VT-51.

It's a great story. To back it all up, Gaylien brought to our lunch a scrapbook full of photos. I'll never forget the one of a couple of baby-faced Navy flyers, grinning aboard an aircraft carrier in the Pacific with no clue about what the future held for either of them.

It has been noted that George H.W. Bush cherished his friends. You had better believe it.



The flag-draped casket of President George H.W. Bush is carried to a burial plot close to his presidential library for internment Thursday in College Station.

Smiley N. Pool/The Dallas Morning News

Bush's legacy of service stands out

HILLARY SCHAFER
Jefferson Awards Foundation



It was during his acceptance speech for the Presidential nomination that George H.W. Bush first referred to a "thousand points of light. "His language spoke to "a brilliant diversity spread like stars, like a thousand points of light in a broad and peaceful sky." The conclusion was that, in service to others, "the old ideas are new again because they are not old, they are timeless: duty, sacrifice, commitment, and a patriotism that finds its expression in taking part and pitching in." President George H.W. Bush helped institutionalize service as one of our nation's strongest interventions unleashing the potential in the individual and in turn building stronger communities. He lived the core tenets of service throughout his public and private life. Today, we are a nation in need of recommitting to serving the other and to building community — to bringing back the old ideas that are, indeed, the best ideas.

Today, 30 years later, I have the privilege of leading an organization, the Jefferson Awards Foundation, whose mission is to multiply good through service — to unleash the potential in thousands of individuals through service to others. Core to that mission is celebration as inspiration — telling the very best stories of notable individuals and grassroots unsung heroes alike to create a ripple effect for positive solutions.

Through the years, the Bush family has stood strong in our mission, with our founder, Sam Beard working with President Bush to realize his service vision and with Barbara Bush receiving a Jefferson Award in 1995 for her extraordinary efforts benefitting our nation's most disadvantaged. Most recently, Lauren Bush Lauren, a granddaughter of President Bush, received the 2016 Jefferson Award for Outstanding Service by an Individual 35 and Under for her work with FEED, FEED Projects, and the FEED Foundation which has provided over 100 Million meals to students facing severe hunger.

President George H.W. Bush put nation and community before self — and believed that, in service to one another, we needed to become a kinder, gentler nation.

As we collectively mourn the loss of President George H.W. Bush, may each of us, in our own communities find a way to be a point of light in the lives of others. That would be a fitting tribute to his legacy.

Since 1972, the Jefferson Awards Foundation has given more than 70,000 awards to diverse individuals nationwide and through newspapers like the Midland Reporter-Telegram that today help reach over 100 million Americans each year.

Hillary Schafer is the CEO of the Jefferson Awards Foundation

GUEST VIEW

There's a reason George H.W. Bush's conservatism wasn't a fit in Texas

The Dallas Morning News

Elections are about the future, and voters — particularly upwardly mobile, middle-class voters who reside in the suburbs — want to feel good about their future.

If this is an insight that animated the Republicanism of George H.W. Bush, it is also an approach to politics that created tension between that form of Republicanism and a more cynical wing of the GOP with deep roots in Texas.

Intellectual, aristocratic and internationalist, Bush drew his sense of American governance from a different philosophical root than the populist, isolationist, and anti-government conservatism that is touted by many of the leaders of today's Texas GOP.

For generations this struggle has pulled at the GOP — with the path for Republicans like Bush becoming narrower in Texas and across the country even as the party has ceded ground, first in cities, now in suburbs and down the road, perhaps, in power altogether.

As the elder President Bush is laid to rest, Texas Republicans would do well to reflect on the sort of party he represented and why he represented it. They would do even better to understand how these two strains of the party have come into conflict in the state and what is lost when those in the mold of George H.W. Bush are pushed out.

The road of Bush's conservatism and that of the current party forked generations ago, if it was ever one path to begin with. It's interesting, though, to follow the road's history through the history of Dallas itself — a sort of ground zero in the fight for modern conservatism.

It was here in the 1950s that the country's richest man, H.L. Hunt, funded the radio broadcasts of Dan Smoot's Facts Forum — the original Rush Limbaugh-style talk radio show where almost any government action suggested communism, where conspiracy theories were freely peddled and where a populist message pitted the little man against shadowy rulers and even an "invisible government."

This was a far cry from the conservatism Bush shared with his father, Sen. Prescott Bush, and with his predecessors at Yale, people like Time Magazine founder Henry Luce. Theirs was a conservatism of internationalist engagement, of effective and nimble governance, of the sense that American democracy and American free markets are a force for good in the world, elevating people out of the bonds of tyranny and poverty. People like Luce and the Bushes didn't dabble in conspiracies about the ruling class. They were the ruling class, and they wore the distinction with a sense of noblesse oblige, seeking not to undermine the existing order but to use it as a stabilizing force. They didn't share the sense that freedom was somehow tainted by the act of governance itself.

Bush offered lip-service often enough to that side of the GOP during his political ascendance — no more famously than when he declared "Read my lips, no new taxes." But political platitudes weren't at the heart of his policy practices. So when the time came to do the truly conservative thing — control deficit spending — Bush made the right choice, very possibly destroying his hopes of a second term in the process.

Today, the Texas GOP appears to be leaving behind the lessons Bush offered. A far-right talk show host is the state's lieutenant governor. In the last primary in northern Dallas, an anti-vaccination candidate displaced a moderate state representative only to lose the seat altogether in the general election.

Key legislation from the state Capitol has focused not on resolving pressing policy problems but on stirring social division over straw-man political problems like the bathroom bill.

The current Texas GOP is too often a party of emotional, not intellectual, argument. Its leaders know the pressure points of the populace, and they push them for political gain, to the diminishment of governance rather than its improvement.

There is a reason for that. It has been, for a long time, a winning formula. But the old playbook is tattered now, and the cost the party is paying for its embrace of this sort of Republicanism is becoming clear.

There are plenty of Republican votes to be had in the cities and suburbs of our ever more urban state. But they won't be won with anti-intellectual, anti-government, faux-populist messages that have drifted down from the past.

Those votes can be won, perhaps, with a reconsideration of the sort of Republicanism George H.W. Bush represented.

He seeded trust, not distrust, in American government, because he believed it was the foundation to protect our free society. He believed in our country's ability to make not only the lives of its citizens better but the lives of people all over the world better. He saw America as a great good in the world, not as a nation whose greatness has slipped away.

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Media-to-politics revolving door is spinning faster

MARGARET SULLIVAN
The Washington Post



When former Washington Post executive editor Leonard Downie Jr. mentioned in an online chat in 2004 that he no longer voted, some observers rolled their eyes.

Wasn't this taking impartiality a little too far?

But Downie had his reasons. He decided to stop voting, he said, when he became "the ultimate gatekeeper" for what the newspaper published, a job he held from 1991 to 2008.

"I wanted to keep a completely open mind about everything we covered," he said, "and not make a decision, even in my own mind or the privacy of the voting booth, about who should be president or mayor, for example."

We could use some of that scrupulous thinking right now, as the lines between journalism and politics - never all that clear to begin with - get blurrier by the day.

Consider:

■ Billionaire businessman Michael Bloomberg — who founded Bloomberg News, a global news operation — is showing every sign of running for president. If he became president, he said in a radio interview, he'd either sell the news organization or put it in a blind trust.

But until then, his crack cadre of political reporters might have to just ignore his campaign.

"Quite honestly, I don't want all the reporters I'm paying to write a bad story about me," Bloomberg joked.

Another possibility would be to "not cover politics at all," and use wire service copy instead.

As BuzzFeed News's Steven Perlberg reported, this sent a certain chill down the spine of the editorial staff, with one source describing the atmosphere as "semi- but not acutely anxious."

■ CNN's chief executive, Jeff Zucker, recently said that he still sees the possibility of a run for office in his future.

"I still harbor somewhere in my gut that I'm still very interested in politics," Zucker said in a podcast interview with David Axelrod of CNN. Axelrod, a one-time reporter, helped run Barack Obama's 2008 campaign and later held a White House post.

He didn't say exactly what he had in mind but some have speculated that his aspirations are to be the mayor of New York City (a post once held by Bloomberg).

And then, of course, there's the relationship between Fox News and the White House, two entities as intertwined as conjoined twins.

The most recent example: President Donald Trump plans to nominate a former Fox News host - Heather Nauert, the chief State Department spokeswoman — to become his next ambassador to the United Nations.

Within hours, former top Trump aide Hope Hicks, now in charge of public relations at Fox (the news outlet's parent company), issued her first news release in that role. It endorsed a prison-reform act supported by Trump.

Now add to the mix the unethical appearances by Sean Hannity and Jeanine Pirro at a Trump campaign rally in Missouri last month. That event featured a happy high-five between Hannity and former Fox executive Bill Shine, now Trump's communications czar.

Granted, there's always been a revolving door from politics to punditry. Decades ago, as just one example, William Safire, a former Richard Nixon aide, became a New York Times columnist.

And sometimes it spins the other way, with journalists tapped to become political spokespeople.

But this new round is more extreme. The connection between Fox News and the White House is like nothing we've ever seen before.

And the idea that major media figures — with huge influence over coverage decisions — are pondering political posts brings real questions.

Will the estimable political reporters at CNN or Bloomberg, and their editors, find themselves tiptoeing around some issues, or engaged in self-censorship?

Given their bosses' aspirations, is their journalism potentially compromised?

There is, after all, a good reason that news and politics should maintain an appropriate distance from each other: The former is supposed to hold the latter accountable.

These campaigns may never come to pass, of course — although Bloomberg certainly seems serious about a 2020 presidential run.

Zucker's idea, by contrast, may be little more than a passing fancy. In the same interview, the native Floridian also tossed out that he'd like to own a certain NFL team: "If the Miami Dolphins call, that's where I'll be."

Still, no employee wants to risk ticking off the big boss.

And, at the same time, no journalist wants to pull her punches.

Wouldn't it be nice to know that their news organization's "ultimate gatekeeper" — like Downie — would never dream of putting them in that position?

Partisan media doesn't understand Trump Country

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When Donald Trump won the presidency in November 2016, it was a shock to pollsters and most of the media. Many of the nation's most influential news outlets quickly acknowledged they had missed something and pledged to reconfigure their approach.

Some newspapers, such as The Washington Post, expanded the voices on their editorial pages (thank you) and, for a while, cable news producers were regularly scouring the heartland for a different point of view. But by and large, the self-reflection and middle America outreach from a reporting standpoint diminished, often reverting to occasional drop-ins and special assignments.

Two years into Trump's presidency, the standard operating procedure of most of the media has represented a retreat to pre-2016 bubbles. Reporting and analysis continue to reflect the limited perspective of the left while the other half of America is ignored or, worse, subjected to ridicule and lecturing. Americans - left, right and middle - remain in desperate need of a more comprehensive and balanced informational narrative across the media spectrum.

Before the sad passing of former president George H.W. Bush last week, the probe of special counsel Robert Mueller — ostensibly into alleged Trump-Russian collusion — again dominated the headlines. A flurry of activity and smoke signals from the Mueller camp led to cries in the media that the Trump presidency was about to receive a devastating, possibly ruinous, blow.

In Trump strongholds across the nation, however, the latest developments were regarded with no more alarm than the first allegations of collusion more than two years ago. As far as the president's millions of supporters are concerned, allegations of collusion with Russia began as political revenge by the left for Trump's impolite interruption of the ascension of the first female president, and will end as political revenge. They will see whatever Mueller alleges and documents through the prism of the suspect way it began.

The media, outside of Fox News, gives short shrift to Americans who hold such views, or focus their stories on what they see as the ongoing ignorance of Trump voters, such as examinations of how the president's policies are harmful to the parts of the country that support him.

It's another way of calling them stupid, such as the frequent reminders that voters with college degrees supported Hillary Clinton, while the less educated voted for Trump.

Meanwhile, over the weekend in southern Ohio, one of Trump's strongest regions, his supposedly duped supporters have noticed that gas prices hover just north of $2 a gallon (and, in my town, dipping a few cents south of that benchmark), the unemployment rate remains historically low, and economic forecasters "expect Ohio shoppers to increase holiday spending by 3.2 percent over last year, as consumer confidence continues to soar," according to a University of Cincinnati Economics Center forecast.

The simple inhabitants of Trump Country see a president who keeps campaign promises on court appointments, trade renegotiations, illegal immigration and deregulation. But they don't know what's good for them, according to many reporters and pundits. They even vote against their own interests, the media critics claim, as though they can understand the interests of Trump voters from afar.

It is likely the media disconnect is about to get worse, with breathless wall-to-wall coverage of Mueller's final report and Democrats taking control of the House of Representatives in January, replete with endless hearings and even moves toward impeachment. Editorials and columns will suggest or demand that Trump resign. But the attacks will merely solidify the president's base against common, long-standing opponents, and our political gulf will grow.

For his part, Trump is conducting a unique experiment in national politics, not necessarily a healthy one, but one that worked in 2016 and was arguably effective in his first midterm, when a president's party typically gets pummeled.

Earlier this year, some analysts said a "blue wave" could result in Democrats not only capturing the House, but possibly the Senate, too. Indeed, Democrats picked up 40 seats to gain control in the House, but the GOP actually gained two seats to expand its Senate majority. Compare this to a real "red wave" in President Barack Obama's first midterm in 2010, when the GOP picked up 63 seats in the House and six in the Senate, and it's hard to argue Trump's 2018 strategy wasn't effective - aided by negative media coverage that unwittingly helped Trump achieve his objective.

In a more perfect media world, straight reporting from our most esteemed news outlets wouldn't — couldn't — be used to energize anyone's base, Republican or Democrat. Today, the media too often becomes the story instead of merely reporting the story. A less partisan news media could do much to help unify and heal America.

Journalists would be well-served to re-engage over the next two years on the mission they briefly pursued after the 2016 election, discovering and covering all of America — every day, every week, without bias or judgment.

If nothing else, such an endeavor might help mitigate in November 2020 the shock that was on display from reporters and commentators when the results trickled in on Nov. 8, 2016 - an outcome they couldn't comprehend, and still, for the most part, don't.

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'60 Minutes,' king of accountability for others, operated without it

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Lance Armstrong, the prosecutor in the Duke lacrosse case, President Donald Trump, credit reporting agencies, scammers, babbling politicians - they've all withered under the lights of searing "60 Minutes" interviews.

"America is hungry for real reporting on important subject matter," former top producer Jeff Fager said upon receiving a First Amendment award from Quinnipiac University in June. "That is what we strive for every single Sunday. '60 Minutes' has really evolved over the years, but we have kept our standards and our values the same. We still think of our role the way that it was thought of when '60 Minutes' was created - news is a public service."

Quinnipiac University later rescinded that award after charges of sexual misconduct and plain bad management surfaced over the summer. Fager was fired in September after he sent a misguided text message to a colleague at CBS News who was reporting on in-house controversies - an action viewed by colleagues as a pretext firing to avoid dealing with the bigger issues in Fager's past.

Well, the reckoning is now upon "60 Minutes" and the CBS Corp. thanks to a draft report from lawyers hired by the company's board of directors to investigate the workplace. As reported by the New York Times, the draft report flags Fager for "certain acts of sexual misconduct," bolstering reporting over the summer by the New Yorker's Ronan Farrow. It also found that Fager had failed to block others from behaving poorly.

Not a surprising conclusion. As reported by The Washington Post and by Farrow in his New Yorker piece, Fager for years supervised producer Michael Radutzky, a hard-driving journalist who tormented his colleagues with screaming fits and other antics, such as throwing objects in meetings. One staffer kept a spreadsheet of Radutzky's eruptions. In one episode, Radutzky was alleged to have threatened to throw furniture at a female "60 Minutes" executive, and grabbed her arm and twisted it behind her back. He denied the allegations, and he quietly left "60 Minutes" earlier this year. At the time of this newspaper's report, Radutzky said:

"Thank you for your interest in my years at 60 Minutes. I understand that you have questions about my career as well as the recent New Yorker story's description of the intense environment in which we worked. I remain proud of the groundbreaking stories we produced.

"As you know, there are multiple investigations ongoing at CBS which I welcome and must honor.

"When the investigations are concluded, we can have a conversation if you're still interested. For now, I will not be able to answer any questions or submit to an interview, given the pending CBS investigations."

The Radutzky situation secured mention in the draft report, according to the New York Times:

"Mr. Radutzky, they wrote, was 'abusive, screamed and threw objects at other "60 Minutes" staff.' The lawyers noted that while many people at '60 Minutes' were aware of the conduct, Mr. Fager tolerated it because he viewed Mr. Radutzky as an 'extraordinarily talented' producer.

"In a statement, Mr. Radutzky said: 'Some people may have found me difficult, but I was committed not only to getting the story but getting it first and getting it right. In that intense environment, I'm sure I said things that may have been hurtful to my colleagues. Now, with some distance, I regret the toll that it took on all of us.'"

The report also addresses allegations against producer Ira Rosen, who "occasionally made inappropriate sexual comments to his female subordinates, such as asking them to twirl and encouraging them to use their sex appeal to secure information from sources," according to the report. As the New York Times reported earlier this week, former CBS CEO Leslie Moonves also obstructed efforts to investigate the allegations of sexual misconduct against him, according to the investigations; he resigned in September.

The report attributes the misconduct at "60 Minutes" to an organizational dynamic. "60 Minutes" has long been its own fiefdom, a place where investigative journalists, aggressive producers, outstanding writers and, yes, harassers did their thing with minimal interference from anyone in the upper reaches of the company.

"(T)he physical, administrative and cultural separation between '60 Minutes' and the rest of CBS News permitted misconduct by some '60 Minutes' employees," says the report, according to the New York Times. Those who see themselves as forces for accountability need people to hold them accountable.

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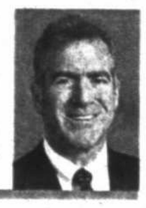
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Airbnb unfairly sides with Palestinians in West Bank

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COLUMBUS, Ohio —

Airbnb, the company that connects travelers with temporary housing, has announced that it will no longer list housing in Israeli settlements in the Palestinian West Bank.

In a press statement, Airbnb explained that it had studied carefully the status of the West Bank, which is territory of Palestine occupied by Israel.

"We concluded," states the company, "that we should remove listings in Israeli settlements in the occupied West Bank that are at the core of the dispute between Israelis and Palestinians."

Airbnb had 200 listings of available temporary housing in the West Bank.

The company's concern that it was taking a side in a dispute of international significance is based on a long-standing view of the United States and other countries.

A commission appointed to study the matter and chaired by former U.S. Sen. George Mitchell, D-Maine, concluded in 2001 that "the freezing of Israeli settlement activity" was necessary if there was to be a hope of a negotiated Israel-Palestine peace. The settlements, moreover, are considered illegal by the international community.

The Fourth Geneva Convention of 1949 forbids a state that takes territory in warfare to plant its own people there. Israel took the West Bank in warfare in 1967.

At that time, Israel's government consulted its own legal adviser, Theodor Meron, to see whether it would be legal to set up settlements in the West Bank. In a formal opinion letter, Meron replied that civilian settlement "contravenes explicit provisions of the Fourth Geneva Convention."

Ignoring Meron, Israel helped thousands of Israelis settle in the West Bank.

That posed a problem for the United States, which gives Israel aid. Were we helping Israel do something illegal?

In 1978, members of Congress asked the White House if the settlements were legal. Herbert Hansell, legal adviser to the Department of State, wrote back that "the establishment of the civilian settlements in those territories is inconsistent with international law."

Hansell explained, "Territory coming under the control of a belligerent occupant does not thereby become its sovereign territory."

That is the consistent view internationally. In 2004, the International Court of Justice said the settlements are illegal.

In 2016 the United Nations Security Council said they are "a flagrant violation under international law and a major obstacle" to peace.

U.S. companies such as Airbnb that operate internationally are sensitive to being on the wrong side of the law.

The settlements would not be so harmful if they were small. But more than three quarters of a million Israelis have been settled. They take up territory that Palestine needs to be viable as a state.

That is why, as Airbnb says, the settlements are central to the overall Palestinian-Israeli dispute.

As a violation of laws of warfare, the establishment of settlements in occupied territory is not only illegal for governments, it is a crime for individual persons.

The treaty establishing the International Criminal Court at the Hague lists various acts that constitute war crimes. The act of transferring civilians into occupied territory is on the list.

The International Criminal Court's prosecutor in fact is currently collecting evidence with a view to leveling indictments against persons, presumably Israeli officials, for the West Bank settlements.

At the Hague court, criminal liability falls not only on direct perpetrators of war crimes, but on accomplices as well.

This meant that Airbnb executives were in jeopardy for being complicit with the Israeli officials who promote settlements.

Airbnb, by listing settlement properties as sites for housing, was benefiting financially and was helping Israel's settlers financially, thereby solidifying the settlements. Airbnb understandably does not want its executives to have to worry about going to jail.

Israel has responded to Airbnb with threats to hurt its business elsewhere. Israel would do better to take a hard look at its own behavior.

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Airbnb has no choice but to comply with international law

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WASHINGTON —

"We are most certainly not the experts when it comes to the historical disputes in this region," Airbnb stated in announcing that it would no longer list rentals by Israeli citizens in the West Bank. Airbnb's modesty is commendable, but its ignorance is insidious.

Its policy for the West Bank subjects Israel to a singular global standard and reflects an all-too-common narrative about the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. By empowering one-sided Israel-haters, it also makes peace less likely, not more.

The West Bank is obviously disputed territory, but Airbnb sees the dispute only through Palestinian eyes.

After all, it isn't leaving the West Bank. If you want a place to rent there, you can use Airbnb to find one that's owned by a Christian or a Muslim. You just can't find any of the 200 or so owned by an Israeli Jew.

Airbnb concluded that "Israeli settlements in the occupied West Bank" are "at the core of the dispute between Israelis and Palestinians."

So, Airbnb believes, what's not "at the core of the dispute" is the rejection of Israel's right to exist that's broadly shared among Palestinians and their leaders; or the incitement to violence against Jews on Palestinian TV and social media; or textbooks that teach Palestinian school children that a future Palestine should encompass all of what's now Israel; or Palestinian claims that Jews have no historical ties to key religious sites in Jerusalem.

Interesting. So, too, is Airbnb's apparent ignorance that Palestinians have rejected numerous offers of a state, including Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert's offer of 2008 that would have given the Palestinians about 97 percent of the West Bank and divided Jerusalem between the two sides.

Airbnb isn't offended by territorial disputes per se. It operates in such disputed lands as the Western Sahara, Northern Cyprus, Kashmir and Tibet.

Nor is it concerned about the issue that lies behind such disputes, which is the human rights of those involved. That's true for two reasons.

First, while Israel occupies the West Bank, the Palestinian Authority runs it.

The successor to Yasser Arafat's Palestinian Liberation Organization, the PA is headed by President Mahmoud Abbas, who was elected to a four-year term in 2005 and has prevented elections to his office ever since.

Though the PA routinely abuses the human rights of Palestinians, Airbnb has nothing to say.

Nor — while blaming the conflict on Israeli settlement policy — does it seem to care that, under Palestinian law, a Palestinian can face the death penalty for selling real estate to a Jew or that two Palestinians were sentenced last month to 15 years of hard labor for doing so.

Second, Airbnb has business in some of the world's worst human rights-abusing countries.

In its 2018 "Freedom in the World" report, Freedom House lists 88 countries as "free" -- that is based on their political rights and civil liberties.

Fifty-eight nations are considered "partly free" and 49 as "not free." Airbnb conducts business in more than 190 countries so, by definition, it offers rentals in some of the world's most abusive places.

Want to work for Airbnb? Check out its office in Beijing, the capital of China, where Xi Jinping is brutally "re-educating" Uighur Muslims in concentration camps.

Want a rental in one of Airbnb's busier cities? Try Istanbul, showcase city of Turkey, where Recep Erdogan jails opponents and journalists under an increasingly autocratic rule.

What's Airbnb's real motive?

Well, the company announced its policy a day before Human Rights Watch was to report on its West Bank listings.

It also was reportedly on a blacklist of companies operating in Israeli settlements that the U.N. Human Rights Council plans to issue.

So, to protect its brand, Airbnb is imposing a singular and wholly baseless standard on Israeli settlements in the West Bank. How inspiring.

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Hispanic families face higher hurdles at school

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CHICAGO —

It's tough being a teacher — the unrealistic expectations, the high stakes, the low pay and the lack of respect for the profession. But, trust me, it's even harder being a teacher of color in a profession that is 80 percent non-Hispanic white nationally, and over 90 percent in most school districts outside of major urban centers.

It's not as though white teachers aren't professional, nice or supportive. It's more that, outside of the classroom, they often forget that not everyone in the room is white, and they let fly how they really feel about their students of color.

Over the years, I've heard some teachers talk serious trash about their students — including cracks about who would land in jail or end up a lawn maintenance laborer. But even teachers who wouldn't dare let something so crass about a student leave their lips falter when it comes to complaining about parents.

Now, I'll be the first person to point out that teachers deal with flighty, rude, demanding and overly involved parents, as well as uncooperative and totally absent mothers and fathers.

But even though parents of all races and ethnicities fall short of the optimal amount of engagement with the school community, it always seems like teachers get extra irked when Hispanic students' parents fall short.

Unfortunately, what often looks like parental disengagement is actually family hardship.

"Most working low-income [Hispanic] parents have jobs with characteristics that can present challenges to raising children, such as low monthly earnings, nonstandard work schedules (i.e., work schedules outside of daytime hours during Monday through Friday), and limited access to employer-sponsored health insurance," according to a new report from the National Research Center on Hispanic Children and Families. "This is true across race, Hispanic ethnicity, and nativity status."

The authors, Elizabeth Wildsmith, María A. Ramos-Olazagasti and Marta Alvira-Hammond, go on to say that "job characteristics, such as number of hours worked, work schedules, commute time, and paid time off, can shape the amount of time and energy parents are able to invest in their children. For example, parents who work long or nonstandard schedules may spend less time with their children and have difficulties establishing and maintaining family routines."

(And the commute time mentioned above doesn't even take into account the phenomenon of immigrant and Latino families fleeing urban crime and poor schools for suburbs where there are often few public transportation options to get to and from work. But anyone who spends much time in outer-ring suburbs of major metropolitan areas can attest that despite rain, snow or sub-zero temperatures, Hispanic men and women can be seen riding bikes to work on major county roads that were not meant for bicycle traffic.)

The authors continue, "Research finds that nonstandard work schedules may reduce time spent with children and closeness between parent and child. Low wages, unstable jobs and variable or nonstandard work schedules can increase stress and take a toll on parental psychological well-being, increasing family conflict and harsh parenting."

I once had a heart-wrenching conversation with a Latina mom who worked as the night custodian at one of the schools where I taught. Her daughter was struggling in fourth grade, complaining of stomachaches and exhibiting signs of anxiety. Mom was deeply sad and worried that she wasn't available at night to go over homework or read bedtime stories because she was out working to ensure everyone at home was fed.

She wasn't alone. Among low-income Hispanic parents, nearly one-third of foreign-born fathers and one-quarter of U.S.-born fathers had three or more job stressors like irregular work hours, a long or difficult commute or multiple jobs. Roughly one-quarter of low-income Hispanic mothers (U.S.- and foreign-born) had three or more stressors. And yes, as the number of work stressors increases, so does the likelihood of adverse outcomes for the kids.

Policy fixes include incentives for more employers to provide full-time jobs and more flexible and reliable work hours. And for communities to offer more access to affordable, high-quality child care, with more weekend and evening coverage. Also, expanded access to non-employer health insurance or health care services and a transportation infrastructure that makes it possible for families to get to jobs, to midday or evening parent-teacher conferences, and to health services when needed.

Empathy, too, will help.

Many times teachers get very frustrated when our young students come to school lacking focus for their learning. But, too often, people jump to conclusions without taking the difficult work lives of low-income parents and families into account.

Magazine's anti-Trumpism is model of holding to principle

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■ COMMENTARY

The future of the Weekly Standard, one of the nation's leading conservative publications, suddenly looks shaky. On Tuesday, CNN reported that the magazine's publisher, MediaDC, had summoned editor Stephen F. Hayes for a meeting this week and instructed him to make the entire staff of the magazine available afterward.

There have been reports of conflict between the editors and the publisher over the magazine's generally anti-Trump stance. Online traffic also declined substantially after Trump's inauguration (it has since rebounded), and subscriptions to the print magazine dropped by 10 percent. That doesn't mean that there's no support for the Standard in conservative circles — Vox reported that after conflict with the publisher, the magazine's leadership had found a backer for a management buyout but was mysteriously rebuffed by MediaDC. In recent days, Standard co-founder William Kristol has hinted at interest from potential buyers since the magazine's troubles became public. But it's clear that Trump's election has placed the magazine in a difficult position. That has led some on the left to suggest, with perhaps a wee bit of schadenfreude, that the conservative movement never really cared about the hawkish free-marketry of conservative intellectuals.

In fact, ideological magazines always do better when their party is out of power and readers are fired up with outrage. But even if it's true that the Weekly Standard's troubles reflect the way Trump has divided the movement, there's a more appropriate reaction than solemn finger-wagging about the true nature of conservatism. Instead, spare a moment to admire how many of the movement's leading intellectuals held their ground, even as a substantial portion of the conservative base moved away.

Those conservatives opposed Trump early and often — earlier, in fact, than many liberals. When the Republican nomination was still contested, plenty of left-leaning public intellectuals argued that he was preferable to supposedly more extreme candidates such as Sens. Marco Rubio (R-Florida) or Ted Cruz (R-Texas). In fairness, many of those people later admitted that they'd been wrong, although many also implausibly tried to suggest that they'd been unaware of Trump's character flaws when they praised him.

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work and not just a place for a "tour of duty" or a place that has become too hard to live in.

■ We must choose an attitude of love for one another. An attitude that chooses to believe the best in one another and for one another rather than skepticism, and even pessimism, that hinders our unified progress.

There will be hard and frank conversations but anything worth having is worth fighting together for.

■ We must choose an attitude of adventure that will allow us to be open to new ways of thinking and new ways of doing things that might even sound crazy.

This whole line of thought might sound a bit wishful. But I would submit to you that our choice of attitude — a positive attitude — is a choice between the stimulus of challenge and the response of action that will lead us to do more than we could have imagined in the first place.

There is no more room for attitudes of pessimism and doubt about what this region can be and should be.

In short, we must start with a choice to believe that together we live in unprecedented times that will require a unique people to do great things. I believe we can; and alongside one another let's choose an attitude that keeps on saying, "Yes, we can!" Even when many might say, "Get real."

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Lee goes 0-5 but Rebels growing as a team

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Lee boys basketball coach Doug Gordon knew it wasn't going to be easy.

Gordon, who is in his first year as Rebels' coach, is trying to turn around a program who had just 23 total wins in the four seasons before he arrived. A little more than a month into the 2018-19 campaign, Lee is still going through growing pains with its 2-12 start.

On Saturday, the Rebels fell 67-56 to El Paso Eastlake at Chaparral Center, finishing their host Tall City Oilman's Invitational with a 0-5 record. Lee hung tough in Saturday's loss to the Falcons despite playing without two starters, as forward Loic Fouonji sat out with a minor knee injury and guard Jaythan Jones didn't play because of a minor ankle injury. Zhuric Phelps led Lee with 13 points, Kyler Pettus had 10 points and Brian Leyva added nine points.

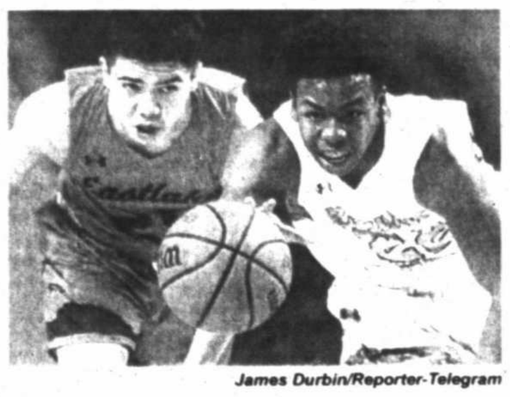
Even though the won-loss record doesn't reflect it, Gordon likes the direction his Rebels are heading in.

"We got better every game," Gordon said. "We played four good games and we had one mulligan (with Lee's 47-28 loss to El Paso Americas Friday). We didn't play well one morning, but the key is to get better. We are fighting for January and February, that's been our theme. Everybody wants to win games, I understand that. But it's going to be 0-0 come January 11th, and those are the games that we've got to be ready for. And that's what we are going to try to do."

The Rebels recently added football players Mykai Pertile, Tre Hubert, Trent Low, Shemar Davis, Mikey Serrano and Fouonji to their basketball roster. Gordon said the football players haven't been able to learn all of the team's new schemes because of last weekend's trip to San Angelo for the Doug McCutchen Memorial Tournament and this week's Tall City Oilman's Invitational. Gordon believes a normal week of practice this coming week will help the football players become more assimilated with Lee's schemes.

Leyva says the biggest adjustment has been running the floor more

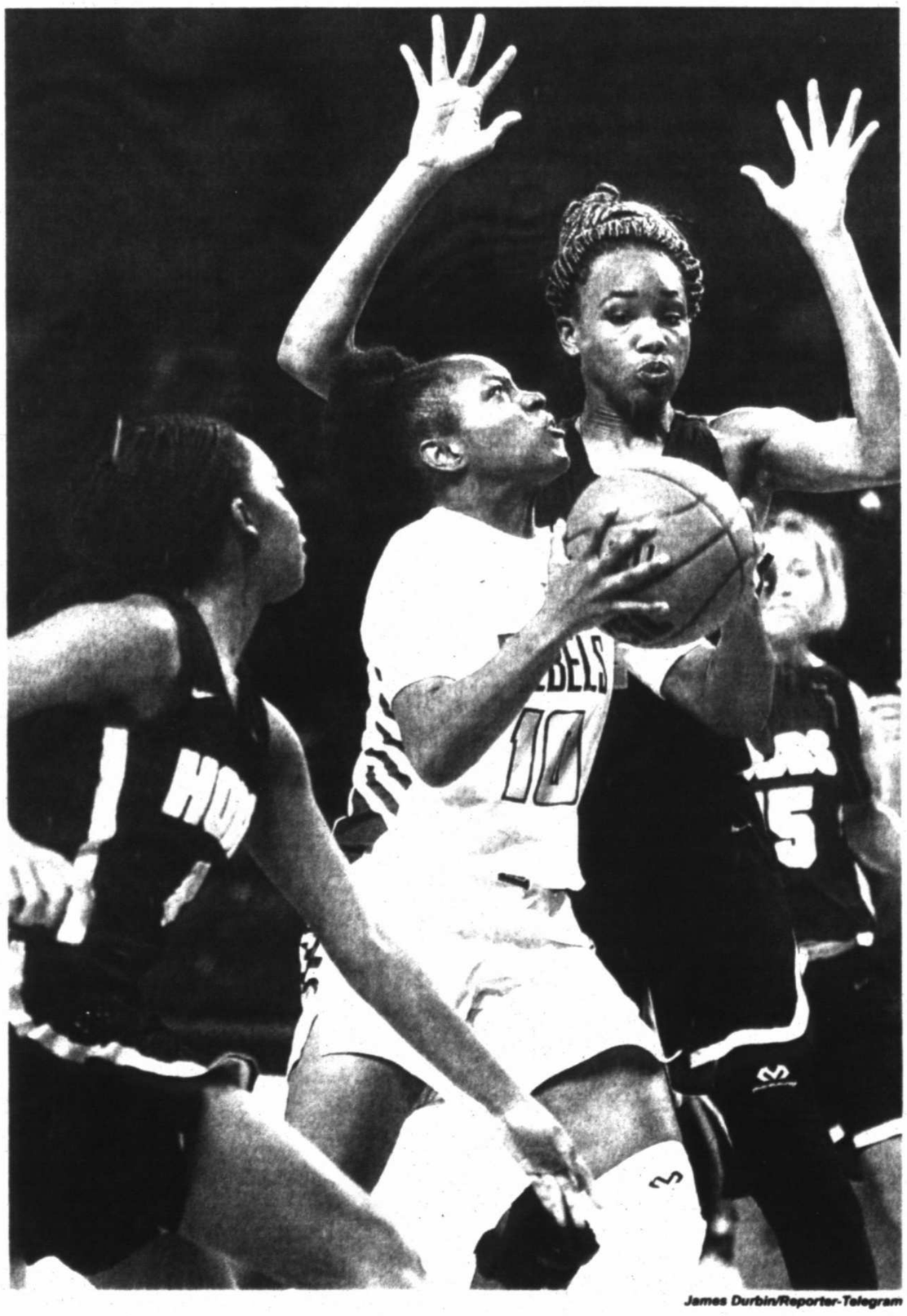
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James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Shemar Davis (22) chases down a loose ball against El Paso Eastlake's Matthew Jones (25) in the Tall City Oilman's Invitational on Saturday at Chaparral Center.

Lady Eagles deflect Lee



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Braydyn Hill attempts to score against Amiah Smith (Hobbs 4) and Ayanna Smith (Hobbs 24) in the Tall City Oilman's Invitational on Saturday at Chaparral Center.

Hobbs holds off Lady Rebels for Oilman's title

By Christopher Hadorn
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Lee girls basketball coach Alfred Acosta wanted his team to see and play against different styles of basketball at his host Tall City Oilman's Invitational.

Acosta got that wish Saturday when the Lady Rebels faced defending New Mexico state champion Hobbs in the girls championship game of the tournament at Chaparral Center. Lee, the runner-up in Pool A, was a late addition Saturday morning to the championship game after pool winner Idalou opted against making the trip to the Tall City due to wintry conditions in the Lubbock area.

The Lady Rebels impressed with their ball movement against the Lady Eagles' full-court press, which gave three previous opponents trouble until Saturday's title game.

Lee hung tough until the final buzzer, as Salma Trejo shot a go-ahead 3-point attempt that bounced in and out of the hoop under a minute remaining. Amiah Smith sank four free throws in the final 46 seconds to help Hobbs hold off the Lady Rebels with a 52-48 victory.

However, the Lady Eagles (6-0), the No. 1-ranked team in New Mexico, got all they could handle from Lee, which took a 28-25 halftime lead behind a fast break attack that was able to move the ball beyond Hobbs' defensive pressure.

"We were being more patient with the ball," Lee veteran point guard Braydyn Hill said. "We were taking our time and seeing the floor better instead of just dribbling and just rushing."

The Lady Rebels (9-7) got a team-high 15 points from Paige Low, 12 points from Trejo and 11 points from Hill. Low and Hill both were named to the all-tournament team after the game.

"I think they handled our pressure really well," Lady Eagles head coach Joe Carpenter said. "We didn't turn them over like we did all the other teams in the tournament. They took care of the ball and they have a good point guard (Braydyn Hill). She's real quick. (Acosta) does a great job of spacing the floor. He's a good X's and O's guy. He put his kids in positions that made us difficult for us to turn them over."

In the second half, Hobbs prevailed as it converted defensive stops into transition baskets on the fast break. Lady Eagles guard Wisdom Anthony, only an eighth grader, scored 10 of her 13 points in the second half to spearhead the

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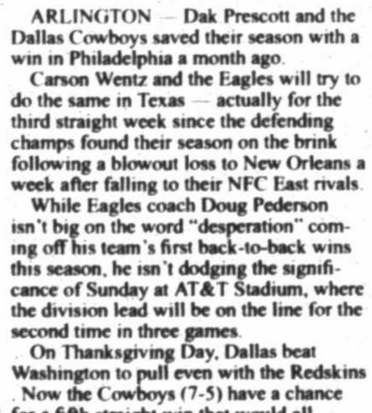
Garden City-McLean game postponed until Monday

The Class 1A Division II state semifinal game between No. 1 McLean and No. 2 Garden City has been postponed until 6 p.m. Monday at Levelland because of snow and hazardous driving conditions.

The game was scheduled for 2 p.m. Saturday but overnight snowfall in the Lubbock area forced the postponement.

Both teams come into the game with 13-0 records. Garden City is making its first state semifinal appearance since 2010.

—Staff reports



AP file photo

Dallas Cowboys wide receiver Amari Cooper (19) looks back as he runs in for a touchdown during the second half of a game against the Washington Redskins on Nov. 22 in Arlington.

Eagles try to stay afloat at Cowboys, who did same in Philly

By Schuyler Dixon
Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Dak Prescott and the Dallas Cowboys saved their season with a win in Philadelphia a month ago.

Carson Wentz and the Eagles will try to do the same in Texas — actually for the third straight week since the defending champs found their season on the brink following a blowout loss to New Orleans a week after falling to their NFC East rivals.

While Eagles coach Doug Pederson isn't big on the word "desperation" coming off his team's first back-to-back wins this season, he isn't dodging the significance of Sunday at AT&T Stadium, where the division lead will be on the line for the second time in three games.

On Thanksgiving Day, Dallas beat Washington to pull even with the Redskins. Now the Cowboys (7-5) have a chance for a fifth straight win that would all but eliminate the Eagles (6-6) and make things difficult for the Redskins as well.

"Every game for us is definitely a must win," Pederson said. "I think every game for them is a must win. Both of us are trying to accomplish the same goal. We've just got to get ourselves ready to go."

The Cowboys were in danger of losing touch with the playoff race when they visited the Eagles in early November.

The debut of new No. 1 receiver Amari Cooper, acquired in a trade, had been ruined in a loss to Tennessee. The offense had been struggling for the equivalent of a full season going back to 2017.

Including that 27-20 win to start a four-game surge , the offensive average is up almost 50 yards per game, Prescott's efficiency at quarterback is significantly improved and there's little doubt that Cooper's impact has influenced both of those developments.

While the scoring hasn't spiked as much because of the surprising defensive struggle against the high-scoring Saints, the 13-10 win that ended New Orleans'

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DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

TV Listings
Basketball
Liga ACB: Real Madrid vs. CB Gran Canaria, 10 a.m., ELVN
College Basketball
Columbia vs. Iona, 10 a.m., FS1
Arizona at Alabama, Noon, ESPN
Princeton at St. John's, Noon, FS1
VCU at Virginia, 12:30 p.m., FSSW+
Incarnate Word at LSU, 1 p.m., SEC
Gonzaga vs. Tennessee, 2 p.m., ESPN
Oregon State at St. Louis, 2:30 p.m., ESPNU
Milwaukee at North Dakota, 3 p.m., FCSP
Nevada vs. Grand Canyon, 4:30 p.m., ESPNU
Purdue at Texas, 5 p.m., ESPN2
College Wrestling
Oklahoma at Oklahoma State, 12:30 p.m., ESPNU
Wisconsin at Ohio State, 3 p.m., BTN
Curling
Mixed Doubles: Gold Medal Game, 8:30 a.m., OLYHD
Women's: Gold Medal Game, Noon, OLYHD
Men's: Gold Medal Game, 4 p.m., OLYHD
Figure Skating
ISU Grand Prix: Junior & Senior Finals, 3 p.m., NBC
Golf
PGA: QBE Shootout, Final Round, 11 a.m., GOLF
PGA: QBE Shootout, Final Round, 1 p.m., NBC
Men's Soccer
Bundesliga: 1. FSV Mainz 05 vs. Hannover 96, 8:30 a.m., FS2, UDN
PL: Newcastle United FC vs. Wolverhampton Wanderers FC, 10 a.m., NBCSN
Bundesliga: Borussia Mönchengladbach vs. VfB Stuttgart, 11 a.m., FS2
CONMEBOL Libertadores: River Plate vs. Boca Juniors, 1:30 p.m., TELE, FXDEP
Liga MX Semifinal, Leg 2: Club America vs. Pumas de la U.N.A.M., 6:30 p.m., UNIV, UDN
NCAA College Cup: Michigan State/Akron winner vs. Maryland/Indiana winner, 7 p.m., ESPNU
National Basketball Association
Milwaukee at Toronto, 5 p.m., NBAtv
Utah at San Antonio, 6 p.m., FSSW+
National Football League
Indianapolis at Houston, Noon, CBS
NY Giants at Washington, Noon, FOX
Philadelphia at Dallas, 3:25 p.m., FOX
LA Rams at Chicago, 7:20 p.m., NBC
National Hockey League
Montreal at Chicago, 5 p.m., NHL
Dallas at Vegas, 8 p.m., FSSW
Rodeo
National Finals, Day 4, 9 p.m., CBSSN
Women's College Basketball
Missouri State at Indiana, 11 a.m., BTN
Tennessee at Texas, Noon, ESPN2
Marquette at Northwestern, 1 p.m., BTN
Oregon at Michigan State, 2 p.m., ESPN2
DePaul at Oklahoma, 2 p.m., FSSW, FCSCs
RADIO
National Basketball Association
Utah at San Antonio, 6 p.m., KBYG 106.1 FM/1400 AM (Big Spring)
National Football League
Indianapolis at Houston, Noon, KBYG 106.1 FM/1400 AM (Big Spring)
Philadelphia at Dallas, 3:25 p.m., KQRX 95.1 FM, KBEST 95.7 FM (Big Spring), KTXC 104.7 FM (Esp)

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
National League
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES — Signed C Adony Mesa to a minor league contract.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
CLEVELAND BROWNS — Placed TE Pharaoh Brown on injured reserve. Activated DB Terrance Mitchell from injured reserve.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
ANAHEIM DUCKS — Signed general manager Bob Murray to a two-year contract extension through the 2021-22 season.
CALGARY FLAMES — Recalled F Alan Quine from Stockton (AHL).
OTTAWA SENATORS — Placed F Bobby Ryan on injured reserve.
SOCCER
Major League Soccer
NEW YORK CITY FC — Signed D Maxime Chanot to a multi-year contract.

NBA GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	21	6	.778	—
Philadelphia	18	9	.667	3
Boston	14	10	.583	5½
Brooklyn	9	18	.333	12
New York	8	18	.308	12½

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Charlotte	12	13	.480	—
Orlando	12	14	.462	½
Washington	11	14	.440	1
Miami	10	14	.417	1½
Atlanta	5	20	.200	7

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	16	8	.667	—
Indiana	15	10	.600	1½
Detroit	13	10	.565	2½
Chicago	6	20	.231	11
Cleveland	5	20	.200	11½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Memphis	15	9	.625	—
Dallas	12	11	.522	2½
New Orleans	13	14	.481	3½
San Antonio	12	14	.462	4
Houston	11	13	.458	4

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	17	8	.680	—
Oklahoma City	16	8	.667	½
Portland	14	11	.560	3
Minnesota	13	12	.520	4
Utah	13	13	.500	4½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Golden State	18	9	.667	—
L.A. Clippers	16	8	.667	½
L.A. Lakers	15	10	.600	2
Sacramento	13	11	.542	3½
Phoenix	4	22	.154	13½

Friday's Scores
Charlotte 113, Denver 107
Indiana 112, Orlando 90
Philadelphia 117, Detroit 111
Brooklyn 106, Toronto 105, OT
Sacramento 129, Cleveland 110
Chicago 114, Oklahoma City 112
Memphis 107, New Orleans 103
San Antonio 133, L.A. Lakers 120
Miami 115, Phoenix 98
Golden State 105, Milwaukee 95

Saturday's Scores
Houston at Dallas, late
Sacramento at Indiana, late
Brooklyn at New York, late
Denver at Atlanta, late
Washington at Cleveland, late
Boston at Chicago, late
L.A. Lakers at Memphis, late
Minnesota at Portland, late
Miami at L.A. Clippers, late

Today's Games
New Orleans at Detroit, 2:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Toronto, 5 p.m.
Utah at San Antonio, 6 p.m.
Charlotte at New York, 6:30 p.m.

NHL GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	30	22	7	1	45	117	87
Toronto	29	20	8	1	41	106	78
Buffalo	30	17	9	4	38	91	88
Montreal	29	14	10	5	33	93	92
Boston	28	14	10	4	32	73	72
Detroit	29	13	12	4	30	86	97
Florida	27	11	11	5	27	89	96
Ottawa	29	12	14	3	27	102	119

Metropolitan Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	28	16	9	3	35	102	90
Columbus	28	16	10	2	34	100	95
Carolina	28	13	11	4	30	71	77
N.Y. Islanders	27	13	11	3	29	79	81
Pittsburgh	27	12	10	5	29	95	89
N.Y. Rangers	28	13	12	3	29	80	88
Philadelphia	27	12	12	3	27	85	94
New Jersey	27	10	12	5	25	81	94

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Nashville	29	19	9	1	39	93	72
Colorado	29	17	7	5	39	107	81
Winnipeg	28	17	9	2	36	94	79
Dallas	29	16	10	3	35	81	74
Minnesota	29	15	12	2	32	88	87
St. Louis	27	10	13	4	24	77	88
Chicago	30	9	16	5	23	82	112

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Calgary	29	18	9	2	38	102	82
Anaheim	31	15	11	5	35	75	89
San Jose	30	14	11	5	33	92	93
Vegas	31	16	14	1	33	92	89
Edmonton	29	15	12	2	32	81	87
Arizona	27	13	12	2	28	70	71
Vancouver	31	12	16	3	27	89	108
Los Angeles	30	11	18	1	23	67	91

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss. Top three teams in each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs.

Friday's Games
St. Louis 1, Winnipeg 0
Dallas 3, San Jose 2
Edmonton 7, Minnesota 2
Carolina 4, Anaheim 1

Saturday's Games
Philadelphia 6, Buffalo 2
Los Angeles 5, Vegas 1
N.Y. Islanders at Detroit, late
Colorado at Tampa Bay, late
Pittsburgh at Ottawa, late
N.Y. Rangers at Florida, late
Washington at Columbus, late
Toronto at Boston, late
San Jose at Arizona, late
Nashville at Calgary, late

Today's Games
Vancouver at St. Louis, 2 p.m.
Philadelphia at Winnipeg, 2 p.m.
Boston at Ottawa, 4 p.m.
Montreal at Chicago, 5 p.m.
New Jersey at Anaheim, 7 p.m.
Calgary at Edmonton, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Vegas, 8 p.m.

FIGHT SCHEDULE

Dec. 8
At Madison Square Garden Theater, New York (ESPN), Vasyl Lomachenko vs. Jose Pedraza, 12, for Lomachenko's WBA lightweight title and Pedraza's WBO lightweight title; Isaac Dogboe vs. Emanuel Navarrete, 12, for Dogboe's WBO junior featherweight title; Teofimo Lopez vs. Mason Menard, 10, lightweights.

Dec. 14
At The American Bank Center, Corpus Christi, Texas, Gilberto Ramirez vs. Jesse Hart, 12, for Ramirez's WBO super middleweight title.

Dec. 15
At Madison Square Garden, New York, Rocky Fielding vs. Canelo Alvarez, 12, for Fielding's WBA regular super middleweight title; David Lemieux vs. Tureano Johnson, 12, middleweights; Tevin Farmer vs. Francisco Fonseca, 12, for Farmer's IBF junior lightweight title; Sadam Ali vs. Mauricio Herrera, 10, welterweights.

Dec. 22
At Manchester (England) Arena, Josh Warrington vs. Carl Frampton, 12, for Warrington's IBF featherweight title; Liam Williams vs. Mark Heffron, 12, middleweights; Nathan Gorman vs. Alex Leapai, 10, heavyweights.
At O2 Arena, London, Dillian Whyte vs. Derek Chisora, 12, heavyweights; Cristofer Rosales vs. Charlie Edwards, 12, for Rosales' WBC flyweight title; Ryan Walsh vs. Reece Bellotti, 12, for Walsh's BBBofC British featherweight title.
At Barclays Center, New York (FOX), Jermall Charlo vs. Willie Monroe Jr., 12, for Charlo's WBC interim middleweight title; Jermall Charlo vs. Tony Harrison, 12, for Charlo's WBC junior middleweight title; Dominic Breazeale vs. Carlos Negron, 10, heavyweights.

Dec. 30
At Tokyo, Masayuki Ito vs. Evgeny Chuprakov, 12, for Ito's WBO junior lightweight title; Ken Shiro vs. Saul Juarez, 12, for Shiro's WBC World junior flyweight title; Tsuma Inoue vs. Petch Sor Chitpattana, 12, for the vacant interim WBC bantamweight title.

Jan. 13
At the Microsoft Theater, Los Angeles (FS1), Jose Uzcategui vs. Caleb Plant, 12, for Uzcategui's IBF super middleweight title.

Jan. 19
At MGM Grand, Las Vegas (SHO), Manny Pacquiao vs. Adrien Broner, 12, for Pacquiao's WBA welterweight title.

Jan. 26
At Barclays Center, New York (FOX), Keith Thurman vs. Josesito Lopez, 12, for Thurman's WBA Super World welterweight title; Adam Kownacki vs. Gerald Washington, 10, heavyweights.

UTPB BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

UTPB MEN CRUSH WNMU

ODESSA – The UTPB men's basketball team crushed Western New Mexico, 101-77, to kick off Lone Star Conference play at the Falcon Dome on Saturday.

UTPB (7-1, 1-0) shot 70 percent for the game and took a 49-31 lead at the half.

Seven Falcons scored in double figures, led by Jacob Ledoux with a co-game-high 14 points. Miles Washington and Jamani Glover each had 12 points, while Adam Ribera, Xavier Ledet, Isaác Hernandez and Maurice Walton each added 11 points. Every Falcon that got in the game scored.

For WNMU (3-3, 0-1), Willie McCray had 14 points, Amarion Cash added 12 and Eddie Giron had 10.

LADY FALCONS FALL IN LSC OPENER

ODESSA – Western New Mexico used a strong second half to defeat the UTPB women's basketball team, 61-41, in the Lone Star Conference opener at the Falcon Dome.

UTPB (1-7, 0-1) led 27-24 at the half before WNMU (3-3, 1-0) held the Lady Falcons to 14 points in the second half. WNMU also went on a 22-6 run in the fourth quarter.

Midland High grad Alexandrea Washington led UTPB with 12 points and Khali Pippins-Tryon added 11.

For WNMU, Sara Lopez had 16 points, Ciara Fields had 14, Paulina Rodriguez had 13 and Tatyanna McFarland chipped in with 10.

MEN'S TOP 25 BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

NO. 5 MICHIGAN 89 SOUTH CAROLINA 78

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Jordan Poole scored 19 of his 26 points in the second half, and No. 5 Michigan remained unbeaten with an 89-78 victory over South Carolina on Saturday.

The Gamecocks (4-5) scored more points than any team all season against Michigan. But the Wolverines (10-0) were ahead by six at halftime, and they led comfortably for most of the second half.

Iggy Brazdeikis scored 17 points and Jon Teske added 15 for Michigan. Chris Silva led South Carolina with 18.

Poole went to work in the second half with a pair of 3-pointers and a dunk, putting the Wolverines up 56-45. The sophomore guard scored 15 points in the first 10 minutes of the half.

SETON HALL 84 NO. 9 KENTUCKY 83, OT

NEW YORK — Myles Cale hit a go-ahead 3-pointer with 9.5 seconds left in overtime and Seton Hall overcame Keldon Johnson's half-court heave that tied the score at the regulation buzzer.

In one of the most exciting finishes of the season, Johnson had a chance to win it for the Wildcats (7-2), but his 3-point try with a second remaining was blocked by Quincy McKnight.

Myles Powell scored 25 of his 28 points after halftime for Seton Hall (6-3), including a tiebreaking 3 in the final seconds of the second half at Madison Square Garden.

The clock showed 1.1 seconds after Powell's jumper went through, but officials put 1.5 on the clock after a replay review. PJ Washington inbounded from the baseline and threw a long pass to an open Johnson. He caught the ball near half court, turned over his left shoulder and hurled a right-handed shot that went in as the buzzer sounded, tying it at 70.

Washington had 29 points and 13 rebounds for Kentucky.

NO. 10 MICHIGAN STATE 63 FLORIDA 59

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Kyle Ahrens scored Michigan State's final seven points, including a two-handed jam with 8.7 seconds remaining.

Ahrens barely beat the shot clock with his baseline slam, giving the Spartans the final points in a game the Gators made close thanks mostly to freshman Andrew Nembhard late.

Florida (5-4) cut Michigan State's lead to 56-53 on KeVaughn Allen's 3-pointer with 3:24 to play, but Ahrens answered from the corner on the other end. Ahrens added a reverse layup on the Spartans' next possession.

Xavier Tillman led the Spartans (8-2) with 14 points and nine rebounds.

Nembhard and Allen led the Gators with 13 points apiece.

NO. 21 VILLANOVA 70 SAINT JOSEPH'S 58

VILLANOVA, Pa. — Eric Paschall had 14 points and nine rebounds, and Villanova earned its 25th straight Big 5 victory.

Joe Cremo and Phil Booth scored 12 points apiece as the Wildcats (8-2) continued their dominance of the long-standing city series with Philadelphia rivals Saint Joseph's, Penn, La Salle and Temple. Jermaine Samuels added 11 points.

Lamarr Kimble led Saint Joseph's with 22 points. The Hawks (5-5) were missing Charlie Brown, the top scorer in the Atlantic 10. He sprained his ankle in a win at Princeton on Wednesday.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL SCORES

FROM WIRE REPORTS

MEN
College Basketball Scores
Saturday
EAST
Brown 71, Stony Brook 69
Buffalo 80, St. Bonaventure 62
CCSU 79, Penn State Wilkes-Barre 58
Dartmouth 78, Maine 52
Fordham 78, Rutgers 70
Hofstra 89, Rider 73
LIU Brooklyn 74, St. Peter's 58
Lehigh 85, Mount St. Mary's 78
Loyola (Md.) 83, Binghamton 65
Morgan St. 74, Towson 69
NJIT 82, St. Francis Brooklyn 60
Northeastern 92, Oakland 83
Penn 83, La Salle 65
Penn St. 76, Colgate 65
Quinnipiac 88, Lafayette 77
Rhode Island 79, Holy Cross 63
Siena 74, Robert Morris 71
Syracuse 72, Georgetown 71
UMBC 91, Drexel 76
Valparaiso 82, George Washington 79
Villanova 70, Saint Joseph's 58
West Virginia 69, Pittsburgh 59
SOUTH
Appalachian St. 82, NC Central 73
Austin Peay 116, Calvary University 33
ETSU 80, UT Martin 62
Furman 74, SC-Upstate 60
Gardner-Webb 102, Johnson & Wales (NC) 55
Georgia Southern 89, Mercer 74
Howard 85, American U. 83
Marist 79, Stetson 75
Maryland 55, Loyola of Chicago 41
Memphis 94, UAB 76
Michigan St. 63, Florida 59
Mississippi St. 82, Clemson 71
NC A&T 92, Greensboro 67
Seton Hall 84, Kentucky 83, OT
South Alabama 81, Tulane 80
Toledo 75, Marshall 74, OT
UCF 70, Gramblng St. 45
W. Carolina 71, UNC-Asheville 59
William & Mary 76, Hampton 71
MIDWEST
Butler 95, N. Illinois 68
Cent. Michigan 95, S. Utah 86
Cincinnati 62, Xavier 47
E. Michigan 105, Central State 53
Illinois 77, UNLV 74
Indiana 68, Louisville 67
Indiana St. 77, Truman State 69
Kent St. 83, Wright St. 76
Miami (Ohio) 85, Purdue Fort Wayne 79
Michigan 89, South Carolina 78
Minnesota 72, Arkansas St. 56
N. Iowa 75, Dubuque 67
Northwestern 75, DePaul 68
Ohio 78, Radford 69
SIU-Edwardsville 92, Harris-Stowe State 87
UMKC 65, South Dakota 63
W. Michigan 88, Youngstown St. 77
SOUTHWEST
Abilene Christian 93, Schreiner 53
Houston 63, Oklahoma St. 53
Oklahoma 80, Wichita St. 48
Tulsa 47, Kansas St. 46
UTSA 104, Mid-America Christian 74
W. Kentucky 78, Arkansas 77
FAR WEST
Army 66, Air Force 61
BYU 74, Utah 59
Boise St. 82, Central Washington 62
Colorado St. 71, Sam Houston St. 65
Nevada 72, Arizona St. 66
Utah St. 76, Weber St. 67

TOP 25 FARED
Saturday
1. Gonzaga (9-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 7 Tennessee, Sunday.
2. Kansas (7-0) vs. New Mexico State. Next: vs. No. 21 Villanova, Saturday.
3. Duke (9-1) beat Yale 91-58. Next: vs. Princeton, Tuesday, Dec. 18.
4. Virginia (8-0) did not play. Next: vs. VCU, Sunday.
5. Michigan (10-0) beat South Carolina 89-78. Next: vs. Western Michigan, Saturday.
6. Nevada (9-0) did not play. Next: vs. Grand Canyon, Sunday.
7. Tennessee (6-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 1 Gonzaga, Sunday.
8. Auburn (7-1) vs. Dayton. Next: vs. UAB, Saturday.
9. Kentucky (7-2) lost to Seton Hall 84-83, OT. Next: vs. Utah, Saturday.
10. Michigan State (8-2) beat Florida 63-59. Next: vs. Green Bay, Sunday, Dec. 16.
11. Florida State (7-1) vs. UConn. Next: vs. Southeast Missouri State, Monday, Dec. 17.
12. Wisconsin (8-2) lost to Marquette 74-69 OT. Next: vs. Savannah State, Thursday.
13. Texas Tech (8-0) did not play. Next: vs. Northwestern State, Wednesday.
14. North Carolina (7-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 1 Gonzaga, Saturday.
15. Virginia Tech (7-1) did not play. Next: vs. S.C. State, Sunday.
16. Kansas State (6-2) lost to Tulsa 47-46. Next: vs. Georgia State, Saturday.
17. Buffalo (9-0) beat St. Bonaventure 80-62. Next: vs. Southern Illinois, Saturday.
18. Iowa (7-2) did not play. Next: vs. Northern Iowa, Saturday.
19. Ohio State (8-1) did not play. Next: vs. Bucknell, Saturday.
20. Arizona State (7-1) did not play. Next: at Georgia, Saturday.
21. Villanova (8-2) beat Saint Joseph's 70-58. Next: vs. Pennsylvania, Tuesday.
22. Mississippi State (8-1) beat Clemson 82-71. Next: vs. Cincinnati, Saturday.
23. Maryland (8-2) beat Loyola of Chicago 55-41. Next: vs. Loyola (Md.), Tuesday.
24. Nebraska (7-2) vs. Creighton. Next: vs. Oklahoma State, Sunday, Dec. 16.
25. Furman (10-0) beat South Carolina Upstate 74-60. Next: vs. Charleston Southern, Tuesday.

WOMEN
College Basketball Scores
Saturday
EAST
Army 61, Wagner 46
Bowling Green 74, Canisius 53
Lafayette 73, Monmouth (NJ) 69
Lehigh 70, Sacred Heart 64
Maine 102, Brown 96
Marist 74, Albany (NY) 56
NC State 76, Georgetown 65
Penn 66, Iona 43
Providence 71, Mass.-Lowell 47
Rider 62, Binghamton 57
Rutgers 60, Harvard 49
Stony Brook 63, Fairleigh Dickinson 49
UConn 99, Seton Hall 61
West Virginia 77, Pittsburgh 43
Wright St. 71, Drexel 63
Yale 58, Vermont 55
SOUTH
Alabama 69, Tulane 58
Alcorn St. 67, Fisk 64
Clemson 80, Rhode Island 67
Coastal Carolina 126, NC Wesleyan 65
Furman 70, Gardner-Webb 57
Marshall 86, Cleveland St. 64
Maryland 87, James Madison 63
Mercer 57, Charlotte 40
Mississippi 74, Savannah St. 51
Northwestern St. 94, Centenary College of Louisiana 51
Old Dominion 83, William & Mary 69
Radford 57, Virginia 44
Richmond 67, Howard 60
SC State 58, UNLV 49
SC-Upstate 101, Bob Jones 53
Sam Houston St. 68, Louisiana-Lafayette 62
UAB 91, McNeese St. 48
W. Kentucky 95, Bellarmine 57
Wake Forest 78, Md.-Eastern Shore 67
Wofford 101, Longwood 72
MIDWEST
Butler 63, Akron 47
Creighton 83, Wichita St. 71
E. Michigan 87, Purdue Fort Wayne 72
Green Bay 55, Wisconsin 46
Indiana St. 60, N.-Chicago 53
Iowa 72, IUPUI 58
Miami (Ohio) 68, Valparaiso 47
N. Illinois 86, W. Illinois 61
Nebraska 96, San Jose St. 63
Notre Dame 72, Toledo 56
Ohio 87, Coppin St. 62
S. Dakota St. 80, Drake 71
S. Illinois 73, E. Illinois 59
SE Missouri 54, Evansville 50
SIU-Edwardsville 81, Chicago St. 66
Texas Southern 69, Rio Grande 55
Youngstown St. 80, St. Francis (Pa.) 56
SOUTHWEST
Arkansas 80, Abilene Christian 68
Kansas St. 53, UALR 47
Rice 68, Prairie View 58
TCU 71, Montana St. 49
Texas A&M 84, Cent. Arkansas 27
Texas A&M-CC 84, Texas A&M International 36
Utah St. 57, North Texas 41
FAR WEST
California Baptist 93, Fresno Pacific 71
Denver 71, S. Utah 70
Idaho St. 65, Pepperdine 63
New Mexico 84, N. Arizona 55
Pacific 69, UC Santa Barbara 53
Wyoming 64, Idaho 61

TOP 25 FARED
Saturday
1. UConn (9-0) beat Seton Hall 99-61. Next: at Oklahoma, Wednesday, Dec. 19.
2. Notre Dame (8-1) beat Toledo 72-56. Next: vs. Binghamton, Sunday, Dec. 16.
3. Oregon (7-0) did not play. Next: at Michigan State, Sunday.
4. Baylor (7-0) did not play. Next: vs. Morehead State, Wednesday.
5. Louisville (9-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 19 Kentucky, Sunday.
6. Mississippi State (9-0) did not play. Next: at Southern Mississippi, Friday.
7. Maryland (9-0) beat James Madison 87-63. Next: vs. Loyola (Md.), Monday.
8. Oregon State (6-1) did not play. Next: vs. Santa Clara, Sunday.
9. Tennessee (7-0) did not play. Next: at No. 12 Texas, Sunday.
10. N.C. State (10-0) beat Georgetown 76-65. Next: vs. Maine, Saturday.
11. Stanford (6-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 4 Baylor, Saturday.
12. Texas (7-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 9 Tennessee, Sunday.
13. California (8-0) beat Saint Mary's 81-78, OT. Next: vs. UC Santa Barbara, Sunday, Dec. 16.
14. Minnesota (8-0) did not play. Next: at Boston College, Sunday.
15. Syracuse (8-2) did not play. Next: vs. Niagara, Monday, Dec. 17.
16. Iowa (8-2) beat IUPUI 72-58. Next: vs. Northern Iowa, Sunday, Dec. 16.
17. Arizona State (6-2) did not play. Next: at Colorado State, Sunday.
18. Marquette (6-2) did not play. Next: at Northwestern, Sunday.
19. Kentucky (9-0) did not play. Next: at No. 5 Louisville, Sunday.
20. DePaul (6-3) did not play. Next: at Oklahoma, Sunday.
21. Drake (8-2) lost to South Dakota State 80-71. Next: at Iowa State, Sunday, Dec. 16.
22. South Carolina (5-4) did not play. Next: at Duke, Sunday.
23. Missouri (7-2) did not play. Next: at Saint Louis, Sunday.
24. Gonzaga (8-1) did not play. Next: vs. Washington State, Sunday.
25. Miami (7-2) did not play. Next: vs. New Orleans, Sunday.

HS FOOTBALL PLAYOFF SCORES

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Saturday's Scores
PREP FOOTBALL
Class 6A Division I
Region II Quarterfinal
Allen 51, Hewitt-Midway 7
Region IV Quarterfinal
Lake Travis 38, Converse Judson 21
Class 6A Division II
Region I Quarterfinal
Amarillo Tascosa 48, Haltom 27
Region II Quarterfinal
Longview 14, Spring Westfield 0
Region III Quarterfinal
Beaumont West Brook 31, Cypress Creek 21
Class 5A Division I
Region II Quarterfinal
Dallas Highland Park 42, Tyler 35
Region III Quarterfinal
Alvin Shadow Creek 25, Richmond Foster 21
Region IV Quarterfinal
SA Wagner 54, Mission Memorial 21
Class 4A Division I
Region IV Quarterfinal
Liberty Hill 35, La Vernia 17
Class 3A Division I
Region II Quarterfinal
Mabank 37, Atlanta 22
Region III Quarterfinal
Grandview 36, East Chambers 35, OT
Region IV Quarterfinal
Yoakum 42, Edna 6
TAPPS 11-Man Div IV Championship
Shiner St. Paul 29, FW Lake Country 21

Friday's Scores
PREP FOOTBALL
Class 6A Division II
Region IV Quarterfinal
CC Calallen 48, Port Lavaca Calhoun 17
Class 4A Division I
Region II Quarterfinal
Waco La Vega 31, Argyle 14
Region III Quarterfinal
Carthage 28, Henderson 7
Class 4A Division II
Region I Quarterfinal
Iowa Park 31, Glen Rose 28
Region II Quarterfinal
Texarkana Pleasant Grove 44, Pittsburg 41
Region III Quarterfinal
Silsbee 19, West Orange-Stark 9
Class 3A Division I
Region IV Quarterfinal
Mason 28, Refugio 14
Class 3A Division II
Region II Quarterfinal
Gunter 27, Holliday 6
Class 1A Six-Man Division I Semifinal
Milford 71, Lazbuddie 26
TAPPS 11-Man Div I Championship
Dallas Bishop Dunne 13, Dallas Bishop Lynch 9
TAPPS 11-Man Div III Championship
Willow Park Trinity Christian 15, Boerne Geneva 14

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MIDLAND HUMANE COALITION

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Saturday, December 8th
Shot & Chip Clinic
10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish
1401 Garden Lane

Monday, December 10th
Volunteer Orientation
6:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Enhanced Adoption Center
Inside PetSmart in Midland

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Happy Holidays!



Cora is a 4 month old female Domestic Short Hair black tabby and white. Cora is a smaller sweet kitten from Midland Animal Services. She is here with her sister Cara. Cora and Cara would be great as a pair to keep each other company. They are playful and affectionate

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OILMAN

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second-half rally.

But in the end, Acosta was proud of how his Lee players responded considering they also had to play a 9 a.m. game against El Paso Montwood on short notice because of Idalou's exit. The Lady Rebels beat the Lady Rams, 34-18, after holding a 28-5 lead through three quarters.

"I sent them a text last night when I knew with this weather that there was a situation brewing," Acosta said. "I said, 'Hey, you need to now mentally prepare yourselves. We're probably going to play two games and one of them is going to be against Hobbs High School. You have to mentally prepare yourself now and be tough enough.' We preach it all the time. We talk about mental toughness. We talk about physical toughness. We talk about all those things."

The Lady Eagles faced their share of adversity too, as key defender and rebounder Elise Turrubiates sat out with a walking boot on her foot after getting injured Friday against Midland High. Hobbs was able to overcome her loss, as point guard Amiah Smith stepped up with a game-high 17 points and post player Ayanna Smith registered a double-double with 12 points and 12 rebounds. Ayanna Smith was named tournament MVP.

"Their length," Hill said of what makes the Lady Eagles a tough matchup. "They're pretty tall. Their arms are pretty wide. But they are a good basketball team and they will make it far."

The Lady Rebels had to feel good about their future prospects too, as Hill and fellow guard Destiny Stanford dribbled the ball well against Hobbs' relentless pressure. Stanford and Haley Perkins shined with their hustle as well, both grabbing a team-high seven rebounds.

"We talk about it all the time," Acosta said. "We are a very capable basketball team. We give ourselves opportunities to win basketball games as long as we defend and when we're on the offensive end, we just got to value the basketball and be patient, be strong. Hobbs, we know, they are what they are. They're going to pressure you. They're going to create turnovers. They are going to score buckets that way. They made a couple more plays than we did (Saturday)."

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Lee's Myleah Young (23) guards Hobbs' MacKenzye Gibson (14) in the Tall City Oilman's Invitational on Saturday at Chaparral Center.

HOBBS 52, LEE 48

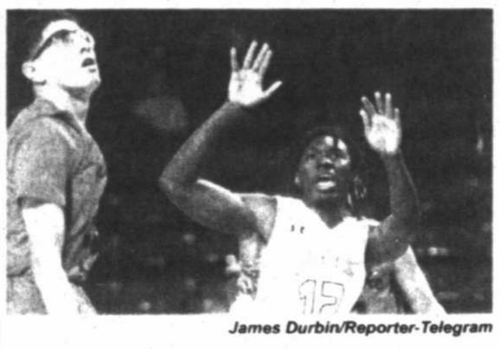
Hobbs (6-0) – Amiah Smith 17, Wisdom Anthony 13, MacKenzye Gibson 2, Andrea Evans 4, Ayanna Smith 12, Mariah Jennings 4

Lee (9-7) – Salma Treio 12, Braydyn Hill 11, Destiny Stanford 4, Haley Perkins 6, Paige Low 15

Hobbs	9	16	15	12 —52
Lee	16	12	10	10 —48

3-point goals – Hobbs 1 (Amiah Smith), Lee 3 (Treio 2, Hill). Free throws – Hobbs 14-22, Lee 9-13. Total fouls – Hobbs 15, Lee 14. Fouled out – None. Technical fouls – Hobbs bench.

Next: Lee vs. Canyon, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lubbock Christian University.



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Josiah Chambers (12) prepares for a rebound against El Paso Eastlake in the Tall City Oilman's Invitational on Saturday at Chaparral Center.

REBELS

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often under Gordon. Levya believes the Rebels are on the right path.

"I think we're coming along really well because we're starting to bond more as a team," Levya said. "We're moving the ball and playing defense together and just talking more.

"I feel like our coach has our back and we all have each other's back. We're not arguing anymore."

Gordon believes team chemistry has been a plus so far. He says the players are on the same page in terms of improving together as a team.

"There are three things that are occurring that I'm very happy with: The kids are conducting themselves on the court in a positive manner," Gordon said. "Secondly, they're trying to work together. There's a couple of cases where we make a mistake and try to go too much individually. But they're trying to work together.

"And third, they're trying to learn to like each other. That sounds silly, but it's true. You've got to like to play together. And we're going to get to where we like to play together and then it's going to get a lot of fun."

Lee hits the hardwood again when it visits Lamesa at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

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EL PASO EASTLAKE 67, LEE 56

El Paso Eastlake (8-5) – Orion Olivas 25, Jacob Aguirre 3, Alex Pina 7, Jeremy Vasquez 8, Mando Sarmiento 12, Blas Compean 2, Brandon Rios 4, Matt Jones 4, Noah Guerrero 2

Lee (2-12) – Brian Leyva 9, Zhunc Phelps 13, Jordan Lopez 3, Tre Hubert 4, Shemar Davis 9, Noah Valdez 8, Kyler Pettus 10

Eastlake	26	7	17	17 —67
Lee	20	10	11	15 —56

3-point goals – Eastlake 6 (Sarmiento 2, Vasquez 2, Aguirre, Pina); Lee 7 (Leyva 2, Phelps 2, Lopez, Davis, Valdez). Free throws – Eastlake 5-7, Lee 3-5. Total fouls – Eastlake 13, Lee 7. Fouled out – None.

Next: Lee at Lamesa, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Lee's Hill, Low lead all-tourney selections

By Christopher Hadorn
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The Lee girls basketball team landed senior point guard Braydyn Hill and junior forward Paige Low on the Tall City Oilman's Invitational All-Tournament Saturday.

Low and Hill led the Lady Rebels to a 3-2 record in the tournament, a runner-up finish in Pool A and nearly helped Lee beat New Mexico defending state champion Hobbs in a 52-48 loss in the tournament championship game. Low's highlight of the tournament was a 20-point effort in the Lady Rebels' 59-45 win Saturday.

On the boys' side, Midland High senior small forward Rahkiem Petterson and sophomore center Brett Canis were recognized on the all-tournament team.

Canis eclipsed the 20-point mark twice in the tournament, with a 21-point effort against Amarillo Caprock and a 20-point game versus Abilene Cooper.

Petterson led the Bulldogs with 16 points in their 61-58 win over El Paso Americas Thursday.

Senior guard Chris Wilson earned the boys tournament MVP honors for leading Amarillo Caprock to a perfect 5-0 record and the boys team title.

The girls tournament MVP was awarded to Hobbs post Aryanna Smith, who had 12 points and 12 rebounds in the girls championship game.

MHS boys finish with 3-2 record

The Midland High boys basketball team still had a chance to win the Tall City Oilman's Invitational heading into Saturday with a 3-1 record, a half game back of tournament leader Amarillo Caprock at 3-0.

The Bulldogs didn't get the finish to the tournament they wanted as they had a lackluster second half in a 64-54 loss to El Paso Eastlake at Chaparral Center. Leading 37-30 at halftime, MHS (6-8) scored just 17 points in the second half.

Three Bulldogs scored in double figures, as Rahkiem Petterson led with 13 points, Brett Canis had 12 points and Adrian Lozano added 10.

Midland High, Lubbock Cooper and El Paso Eastlake shared tournament second-place honors at 3-2.

Lady Dawgs close out with win

The Midland High girls basketball team defeated San Elizario, 50-38, at the Lee gymnasium to finish the Tall City Oilman's Invitational with a 2-3 record.

Taysha Rushton led MHS with 13 points. The Lady Bulldogs (9-7) host Abilene Wylie at 6 p.m. Tuesday.



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Braydyn Hill dribbles while being guarded by Hobbs' Wisdom Anthony in the Tall City Oilman's Invitational on Saturday at Chaparral Center.

Boys

EL PASO EASTLAKE 64, MIDLAND HIGH 54

Midland High (6-8) – Damion Williams 6, Adrian Lozano 10, Gage Warren 2, Rahkiem Petterson 13, Kadrian Van Buren 6, Nicholas Terrazas 5, Brett Canis 12

El Paso Eastlake – Orion Olivas 11, Jacob Aguirre 17, Alex Pina 6, Jeremy Vasquez 3, Mando Sarmiento 17, Brandon Rios 6, Matthew Jones 4

Midland	17	20	8	9 —54
Eastlake	18	12	15	19 —64

3-point goals – Midland 8 (Petterson 3, Williams 2, Lozano 2, Terrazas), Eastlake 7 (Sarmiento 5, Aguirre, Vasquez). Free throws – Midland 2-6, Eastlake 5-12. Total fouls – Midland 12, Eastlake 9. Fouled out – None.

Friday's late boxes

Boys

ODESSA PERMIAN 54, LEE 44

Permian (9-4) – Cedric Baty 5, Jonathan Anaya 20, Keyonta Johnson 4, Shy Stephens-Deary 11, J.J. Vizcarra 8, Jase Taylor 2, Calvione Calicutt 4

Lee (2-11) – Zhunc Phelps 17, Jaythan Jones 8, Tre Hubert 6, Trent Low 2, Shemar Davis 7, Loic Fouono 2, Kyler Pettus 2

Permian	9	15	12	18 —54
Lee	14	9	9	12 —44

3-point goals – Permian 1 (Anaya); Lee 3 (Phelps, Jones, Davis). Free throws – Permian 14-20, Lee 3-6. Total fouls – Permian 7, Lee 17. Fouled out – None.

MIDLAND HIGH 77, LUBBOCK COOPER 63

Lubbock Cooper – Kade Spears 5, Tyshaun Huey 10, Carson Hill 10, Ethan Alvarado 2, Will Doherty 24, Patrick Irish II 3, Miller 6, Johnny Rodriguez 2, Tate Truby 3, Beadon Brown 4

Midland High (6-7) – Damion Williams 3, Adrian Lozano 14, Gage Warren 11, Rahkiem Petterson 13, Nathaniel Rodriguez 2, Kadrian Van Buren 2, Nicholas Terrazas 12, Brett Canis 20

Cooper	9	20	14	20 —63
Midland	16	16	25	20 —77

3-point goals – Cooper 8 (Doherty 5, Truby, Irish, Huey), Midland 10 (Terrazas 4, Lozano 3, Williams, Warren, Petterson). Free throws – Midland 5-9, Cooper 15-20. Total fouls – Midland 15, Cooper 11. Fouled out – None.

TALL CITY OILMAN'S BASKETBALL INVITATIONAL

Boys

Round Robin Tournament

Thursday

At Chaparral Center

Odessa Permian 60, El Paso Americas 40
El Paso Eastlake 57, Lubbock Cooper 45
Amarillo Caprock 67, Midland High 66
Lubbock Cooper 52, Lee 47

At Lee

Amarillo Caprock 61, Lee 42
Odessa Permian 56, El Paso Eastlake 48, O.T.
Midland High 61, El Paso Americas 58

Friday

At Chaparral Center

Amarillo Caprock 52, El Paso Eastlake 46
Midland High 77, Lubbock Cooper 63

At Lee

El Paso Americas 47, Lee 28
Lubbock Cooper 63, El Paso Americas 53
Odessa Permian 54, Lee 44

At Midland High

Midland High 46, Odessa Permian 41

Saturday

At Chaparral Center

Amarillo Caprock 59, Odessa Permian 42
El Paso Eastlake 64, Midland High 54
El Paso Eastlake vs. Lee, p.m.

At Lee

Amarillo Caprock def. El Paso Americas
Lubbock Cooper def. Odessa Permian in overtime

Final standings

First place: Amarillo Caprock

Second place: Midland High, Lubbock Cooper, El Paso Eastlake

Girls

Pool A: Lee, El Paso El Dorado, Idalou, San Elizario

Pool B: Midland High, El Paso Montwood, Hobbs, N.M., Lubbock Monterey

Thursday

At Chaparral Center

Hobbs, N.M. 65, Lubbock Monterey 47
Midland High 60, El Paso Montwood 35
Lee 59, San Elizario 45

At Lee

Idalou 38, Lee 31
Idalou 45, El Paso El Dorado 37

Friday

At Chaparral Center

Idalou 49, San Elizario 37
Hobbs, N.M. 63, El Paso Montwood 27
San Elizario 35, El Paso El Dorado 32
Hobbs, N.M. 61, Midland High 37

At Lee

Lee 31, El Paso El Dorado 23
Lubbock Monterey 64, El Paso Montwood 49

At Midland High

Lubbock Monterey 70, Midland High 52

Saturday

At Chaparral Center

Championship: Hobbs, N.M. 52, Lee 48
Lubbock Monterey 38, El Paso El Dorado 24

At Lee

Midland High 50, San Elizario 38
Lee 34, El Paso Montwood 18

Final standings

First place: Hobbs
Second place: Idalou
Third place: Lubbock Monterey

TALL CITY OILMAN'S INVITATIONAL ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAMS

Boys

MVP – Chris Wilson, Amarillo Caprock

All-tournament

Toon Gatlek, Amarillo Caprock
Christian Uremda, Amarillo Caprock
Rahkiem Petterson, Midland High
Brett Canis, Midland High
Will Doherty, Lubbock Cooper
Eric Castaneda, El Paso Americas
Orion Olivas, El Paso Eastlake
Shy Stephens-Deary, Odessa Permian

Girls

MVP – Aaryna Smith, Hobbs

All-tournament

Amiah Smith, Hobbs
Wisdom Anthony, Hobbs
Ashlyn Shelley, Idalou
Shaylee Stovall, Idalou
Sydni Wagoner, Lubbock Monterey
Trayn Jackson, Lubbock Monterey
Braydyn Hill, Lee
Paige Low, Lee

JC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

FROM WIRE REPORTS

LADY CHAPS COMPLETED 3-0 WEEKEND WITH BLOWOUT WIN

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. – The Midland College women's basketball team completed a successful weekend at the Air Force Prep Classic with an 89-44 rout of Colorado Northwestern on Saturday afternoon.

The Lady Chaparrals (12-3) went 3-0 over the weekend and have won four straight heading into the winter break that goes until Jan. 4 when MC travels to Connors State.

Four Lady Chaps were in double figures, led by Edreana Jackson with 14 points, Lana Marov and Grace Beasley each had 13 and Bethany Theodore added 12.

MC also had 11 3-pointers in the game and every Lady Chap scored.

MIDLAND COLLEGE 89, COLORADO NORTHWESTERN 44

Midland College (12-3) – Bethany Theodore 3 5-7 12, Annita Dixon 2 0-0 4, Lana Marov 5 0-0 13, Grace Beasley 6 0-0 13, Edreana Jackson 5 0-0 14, Abbi Hatton 2 2-4 7, Johanna Kampp 3 1-2 8, Ogochi Nwodo 2 2-2 6, Kiara Bush 3 0-0 6, Erica James 1 0-0 2, Webbie Schwartau 2 0-0 4. Totals 34 10-17 89

Colorado Northwestern – Parobe 3 0-0 6, Lanyon 0 1-2 1, Roza 1 0-0 2, Mack 3 4-7 10, Ortibez 1 0-0 2, Cox 1 0-0 2, Bannister 5 4-5 17, McCormack 1 0-0 2, Freeland 1 0-0 2. Totals 15 9-14 44

Midland College	14	16	39	31 —89
Colo. Northwestern	11	6	10	17 —44

3-point goals – MC 11 (Jackson 4, Marov 3, Theodore, Beasley, Hatton, Kampp), CNC 3 (Bannister). Total fouls – MC 18, CNC 17. Fouled out – None.

Next: Midland College at Connors State, 5:30 p.m. Jan. 4

—From staff reports

HS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Boys

MCS WINS CATCLAW CLASSIC

ABILENE – Midland Christian sank 14 3-pointers to beat Abilene Wylie, 68-42, in Saturday's Catclaw Classic championship game.

Joseph Venzant (17 points) was the tournament MVP, while Daniel Elliott (13 points) and Caden Norris (5 points) were named to the all-tournament team. Porter Gotovac had 15 points and Mitch McCann added 12 points.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 68, ABILENE WYLIE 42

MCS (18-4) – Chris Brazzell 3, Caden Norris 5, Mitch McCann 12, Porter Gotovac 15, Daniel Elliott 13, Joseph Venzant 17, David Beebe 3

Wylie – Brewer 7, Watts 2, Payne 7, Bacon 10, Brooks 6, Piland 1, Blair 6, Cann 3

MCS	19	21	18	10 —68
Wylie	12	12	13	5 —42

3-point goals – MCS 14 (Norris, McCann 4, Gotovac 5, Elliott 3, Venzant), Wylie 4 (Bacon 2, Brooks, Cann). Free throws – MCS 6-11, Wylie 8-12. Total fouls – MCS 13, Wylie 13. Fouled out – None.

Next: MCS at San Angelo Central, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

GREENWOOD TAKES THIRD

GLEN ROSE – Greenwood captured third place at the Glen Rose Tournament with a win over Life Oak on Saturday.

Jordan Riley led the Rangers (9-2) with 19 points and Brody Ray had 12.

GREENWOOD 55, LIFE OAK 51

Greenwood (9-2) – Brody Ray 12, Cameron Jones 2, Max Montes 8, Cade Luebbke 3, Jordan Riley 19, Omarion Jameson 4, Logan Jarvis 7

Life Oak – Lacy 28, Young 6, Alexander 10, Bryant 2, Jackson 3

Greenwood	13	12	10	20 —55
Life Oak	5	13	10	23 —51

Free throws – GHS 11-17, LO 5-10. 3-point goals – GHS 2 (Ray, Luebbke), LO 9 (Lacy 6, Alexander 2, Jackson). Total fouls – GHS 16, LO 17. Fouled out – None.

Next: Fort Stockton at Greenwood, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday.

CRANE 74 MCA 63

CRANE – Cort Miller scored a game-high 25 points but MCA fell to host Crane in the championship of the El Ave Shootout.

Cole Miller added 14 for the Knights (9-2), who again play Crane at the MCA gym at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Jorhan Velasco had 23 points for the Golden Cranes.

CRANE 74, MCA 63

MCA (9-2) – Conrey Echols 5, Cort Miller 25, Josiah McDougall 6, Aaron Giffin 2, Cole Miller 14, Gabe Beattie 5, Caden Corzine 6

Crane – Jordan Rhyne 10, Caleb Keppard 8, Brandon Cerna 12, Jorhan Velasco 23, Aryan Hartman 16, Jason Willis 2, Andy Valles 1, Angel Barrera 2

MCA	10	14	15	24 —63
Crane	14	19	22	19 —74

Free throws – MCA 11-15, Crane 5-7. 3-point goals – MCA 6 (Cort Miller 4, McDougall 2, Cole Miller, Beattie), Crane 11 (Cerna 4, Velasco 7). Total fouls – MCA 11, Crane 15. Fouled out – None.

Next: Crane at MCA, 5:30 p.m.

FORSAN 51 BETHESDA 39

MESQUITE – The Forsan boys basketball team won its last game at the Mesquite Pit Classic over TAPPS opponent Bethesda.

Kobe Richardson had 25 points and Cayden Morgan added 11 for Forsan.

REAGAN CO. 47 COAHOMA 42

STANTON – Pablo Hernandez scored a game-high 30 points to lead Reagan County to a victory over Coahoma at the Pinky Jones Hooptown Classic.

Joe Manning led Coahoma with 16 points, while Brice Martin and Bryson Cline added 11 for the Bulldogs.

REAGAN COUNTY 47, COAHOMA 42

Coahoma – Brice Martin 11, Joe Manning 16, Zach Schneider 3, Gaige Hill 1, Bryson Cline 11

Reagan County – Jaden Gonzalez 6, Seth Hernandez 3, Pablo Hernandez 30, Jacob Gallegos 1, Justin Chavez 3, Skyler Smith 4

Coahoma	10	18	10	4 —42
Reagan County	5	16	15	11 —47

Bearkat Booster Club Klassic results

At Garden City

Boys

Thursday

First round

Game 1: Midland High JV 56, Imperial Buena Vista 40

Game 2: San Angelo Grape Creek 45, Sterling City 38

Game 3: Christoval 55, Robert Lee 33

Game 4: Grady 60, Water Valley 27

Consolation bracket

Semifinals

Game 5: Sterling City 55, Buena Vista 40

Game 6: Robert Lee 41, Water Valley 27

Friday

Championship bracket

Semifinals

Game 7: Midland High JV 37, Grape Creek 31

Game 8: Grady 43, Christoval 29

Third-place

Game 11: Christoval 34, Grape Creek 33

Consolation bracket

Final

Game 10: Robert Lee 42, Sterling City 37

Seventh-place

Game 9: Buena Vista 42, Water Valley 25

Saturday

Championship bracket

Final

Game 12: Grady 61, Midland High JV 49

GIRLS MCA 53 ANDREWS 31

ANDREWS – Leila Beattie scored a game-high 28 points to lead MCA to a blowout win over Andrews at the Kristen Corbin Classic.

Lizabelle Russell added 17 points for the Lady Knights (5-3).

Mikayla Ross had 15 points to lead Andrews.

MCA 53, ANDREWS 31

MCA (5-3) – Kori Kirk 1, Laura Kate Sparks 2, Lela Beattie 28, Lizabelle Russell 17, Kenna Bayley 3, Jenny Coco 2

Andrews – Macee Mack 7, Paige Ortiz 2, Samantha Jasso 2, Hannah Renteria 4, Mikayla Ross 15, Emily Burgen 1

MCA	12	12	9	20 —53
Andrews	3	7	8	13 —31

Free throws – MCA 21-30, Andrews 5-10. 3-point goals – MCA 2 (Beattie 2), Andrews (Mack, Ross). Total fouls – MCA 13, Andrews 20. Fouled out – Andrews: Infante.

Next: Garden City at MCA, 7 p.m. Tuesday.

GARDEN CITY WINS HOST TOURNAMENT

GARDEN CITY – No 4-ranked Garden City beat San Angelo Grape Creek 47-9 and defeated Robert Lee 50-35 in the girls championship game to win the Bearkat Booster Club Klassic Friday.

Garden City's Lyndee Walker was named tournament MVP, while Lady Kat teammates Ixchel Sotelo and Jordan Driver garnered all-tournament honors.

GARDEN CITY 47, SAN ANGELO GRAPE CREEK 9

Garden City (14-0) – Lyndee Walker 14, Jordan Driver 11, Ixchel Sotelo 8, Angelica Munguia 5, Rita Flores 4, Jaedon Gass 3, Allison Hallmann 2

Grape Creek – Porter 2, Walker 2, Spiteberg 2, Vigil 3

Garden City	19	13	10	5 —47
Grape Creek	0	2	3	4 —9

GARDEN CITY 50, ROBERT LEE 35

Garden City (15-0) – Angelica Munguia 13, Lyndee Walker 12, Ixchel Sotelo 12, Jaedon Gass 6, Allison Hallmann 4, Jordan Driver 3

Robert Lee – A. Thomas 1, B. Hood 11, D. Brown 2, K. Puentes 10, M. Grantham 7, K. Clawson 4

Garden City	10	17	18	5 —50
Robert Lee	8	4	11	14 —35

Bearkat Booster Club Klassic results

First place: Garden City 50, Robert Lee 35
Third place: Sterling City 65, Grady 46
Consolation: Christoval 50, Grape Creek 13
Water Valley 38, Imperial Buena Vista 22
Grape Creek 33, Imperial Buena Vista 29
Robert Lee 49, Grady 39
Garden City 57, Sterling City 21
Christoval 54, Water Valley 48
Garden City 65, Buena Vista 8
Robert Lee 54, Water Valley 33
Sterling City 48, Grape Creek 24
Grady 41, Christoval 20
Sterling City 48, Buena Vista 25
Christoval 54, Robert Lee 52
Garden City 47, Grape Creek 9
Grady 40, Water Valley 38



Matt Slocum/AP

Army's Jordan Asberry, left, is tackled by Navy's Sean Williams during the first half Saturday in Philadelphia

Army beats Navy for 3rd straight time and Trump at game

By Dan Gelston
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Army had the corps bouncing in front of the president and kept the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy.

The No. 22 Black Knights recovered two fumbles in the fourth quarter, Kelvin Hopkins Jr. had two rushing touchdowns and Army beat Navy 17-10 on Saturday to win its third straight game in the series.

President Donald Trump attended the 119th game between the rivals and flipped the coin before spending a half on each side in a show of impartiality. No matter his view, Army (10-2) always had the edge.

Army retained the CIC Trophy — awarded to the team with the best record in games among the three service academies — after winning it for the first time in 22 years last season and snuffed a late Navy (3-10) rally to retain possession of the patriotic prize.

With Navy down 10-7, quarterback Zach Abey lost a fumble on fourth-and-12 deep in its own territory. Hopkins would score on a 1-yard run to make it 17-7 and give Army the cushion it needed to win in front of 66,729 fans at Lincoln Financial Field.

Army hopped and waved hands in celebration during a replay timeout and got the cadets in the stands to bounce along. They had good reason to celebrate: Army has regained its grip in a series that had gotten out of hand. Navy had a series-best 14-game winning streak from 2002-2015 and leads the series leads 60-52-7.

Trump sat on the Army side in the first half and crossed the field to the Navy side at halftime. Trump officiated the coin toss and was introduced by public address announcer Dan Baker to a cheering crowd. Navy called "tails," and that's what it was when Trump's flipped coin landed on the turf. Navy elected to kick off.

That was a mistake.

Kell Walker ran 51 yards to the 10 on the fourth play from scrimmage and Hopkins dashed in for the TD on the next play for a 7-0 lead.

In a series steeped in tradition — the "March On" and drumline battles, among them — perhaps none is more engrained than the running game. Last year's game had a combined three pass attempts and quarterbacks for each team are usually the leading rushers. But Army and Navy passed on the rush and tried to throw, with mixed results. Army safety Jaylon McClinton had an interception in the first half. Army also dropped a key third-down pass that led to John Abercrombie's missed 33-yard field goal in the second quarter.

Abercrombie rebounded to kick a 33-yarder in the third for a 10-0 lead.

Last season's game was an instant classic and was decided by a field goal: Bennett Moehring narrowly missed a 48-yarder in the snow on the final play and Army held off Navy 14-13.

Moehring made the extra point on Lewis' score and he kicked a 45-yard field goal with 29 seconds left. Malcom Perry's 43-yard run to the 5 set up Garret Lewis' 1-yard rushing TD with 7:10 left in the game that pulled Navy to 10-7.

There were reminders all around the Linc, home of the Super Bowl champion Eagles, that this was no ordinary game. The Navy "Leap Frogs" parachute team earned a roar from the crowd with each safe landing on the field. Bill the Goat, Navy's mascot, was safely leashed and secured from a possible abduction attempt from overzealous cadets. And each side safely returned "captives" in the Prisoner Exchange — when seven midshipmen and seven cadets swap service academies for a semester. The Army prisoners spelled out "3-PEAT on the back of their uniforms.



Susan Walsh/AP

President Donald Trump attends the Army-Navy football game Saturday in Philadelphia

The takeaway

Army: Got to sing second as the winner.

Navy: Had 0 yards passing and 64 yards rushing through three quarters. ... Lost a key fumble inside the 10 in the fourth when it was still 10-0.

Mr. President

Trump was the 10th sitting president to attend Army-Navy, a tradition that began with Theodore Roosevelt in 1901. Barack Obama was the most recent president to attend the game, in 2011 at FedEx Field in Landover, Maryland. Trump also went to the 2016 game when he was president-elect.

Trump and Defense Secretary James Mattis stood silent during an invocation and a moment of silence for former President George H.W. Bush, who died recently died at age 94.

Up next

Army: Armed Forces Bowl vs. Houston (8-4) on Dec. 22 in Fort Worth, Texas.

Navy: Season is over, but 34 seniors recently received their service assignments.

COLLEGE BOWL GLANCE

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Saturday, Dec. 15
Celebration Bowl
At Atlanta
NC A&T (9-2) vs. Alcorn State (9-3), Noon (ABC)

Cure Bowl
Orlando, Fla.
Tulane (6-6) vs. Louisiana-Lafayette (7-6), 1:30 p.m. (CBSSN)

New Mexico Bowl
Albuquerque
North Texas (9-3) vs. Utah State (10-2), 2 p.m. (ESPN)

Las Vegas Bowl
Fresno State (11-2) vs. Arizona State (7-5), 3:30 p.m. (ABC)

Camellia Bowl
Montgomery, Ala.
Georgia Southern (9-3) vs. Eastern Michigan (7-5), 5:30 p.m. (ESPN)

New Orleans Bowl
Middle Tennessee (8-5) vs. Appalachian State (10-2), 9 p.m. (ESPN)

Tuesday, Dec. 18
Boca Raton (Fla.) Bowl
UAB (10-3) vs. North Illinois (8-5), 7 p.m. (ESPN)

Wednesday, Dec. 19
Frisco (Texas) Bowl
San Diego State (7-5) vs. Ohio (8-4), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Thursday, Dec. 20
Gasparilla Bowl
At St. Petersburg, Fla.
Marshall (8-4) vs. South Florida (7-5), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Friday, Dec. 21
Bahamas Bowl
Nassau
Toledo (7-5) vs. FIU (8-4), 12:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Famous Idaho Potato Bowl
Boise
Western Michigan (7-5) vs. BYU (6-6), 4 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Dec. 22
Birmingham (Ala.) Bowl
Memphis (8-5) vs. Wake Forest (6-6), Noon (ESPN)

Armed Forces Bowl
Fort Worth, Texas
Houston (8-4) vs. Army (9-2), 3:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Dollar General Bowl
Mobile, Ala.
Buffalo (10-3) vs. Troy (9-3), 7 p.m. (ESPN)

Hawaii Bowl
Honolulu
Louisiana Tech (7-5) vs. Hawaii (8-5), 10:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Wednesday, Dec. 26
SERVPRO First Responder Bowl
Dallas
Boston College (7-5) vs. Boise State (10-3), 1:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Quick Lane Bowl
Detroit
Minnesota (6-6) vs. Georgia Tech (7-5), 5:15 p.m. (ESPN)

Cheez-It Bowl
Phoenix
California (7-5) vs. TCU (8-4), 9 p.m. (ESPN)

Thursday, Dec. 27
Independence Bowl
Shreveport, La.
Temple (8-4) vs. Duke (7-5), 1:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Pinstripe Bowl
Bronx, N.Y.
Miami (7-5) vs. Wisconsin (7-5), 5:15 p.m. (ESPN)

Texas Bowl
Houston
Baylor (6-6) vs. Vanderbilt (6-6), 9 p.m. (ESPN)

Friday, Dec. 28
Music City Bowl
Nashville, Tenn.
Purdue (6-6) vs. Auburn (7-5), 1:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Camping World Bowl
Orlando, Fla.
West Virginia (8-3) vs. Syracuse (9-3), 5:15 p.m. (ESPN)

Alamo Bowl
San Antonio
Iowa State (8-4) vs. Washington State (10-2), 9 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Dec. 29
Peach Bowl
Atlanta
Florida (9-3) vs. Michigan (10-2), Noon (ESPN)

Belk Bowl
Charlotte, N.C.
South Carolina (7-5) vs. Virginia (7-5), Noon (ABC)

Arizona Bowl
Tucson, Ariz.
Arkansas State (8-4) vs. Nevada (7-5), 1:15 p.m. (CBSSN)

Cotton Bowl Classic
Arlington, Texas
CFP Semifinal, Notre Dame (12-0) vs. Clemson (13-0), 4 p.m. (ESPN)

Orange Bowl
Miami Gardens, Fla.
CFP Semifinal, Oklahoma (12-1) vs. Alabama (13-0), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Monday, Dec. 31
Military Bowl
Annapolis, Md.
Cincinnati (10-2) vs. Virginia Tech (6-6), Noon (ESPN)

Sun Bowl
El Paso, Texas
Stanford (8-4) vs. Pittsburgh (7-6), 2 p.m. (CBS)

Redbox Bowl
Santa Clara, Calif.
Michigan State (7-5) vs. Oregon (8-4), 3 p.m. (FOX)

Liberty Bowl
Memphis, Tenn.
Missouri (8-4) vs. Oklahoma State (6-6), 3:45 p.m. (ESPN)

Holiday Bowl
San Diego
Northwestern (8-5) vs. Utah (9-4), 7 p.m. (FS1)

Gator Bowl
Jacksonville, Fla.
NC State (9-3) vs. Texas A&M (8-4), 7:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Tuesday, Jan. 1
Outback Bowl
Tampa, Fla.
Mississippi State (8-4) vs. Iowa (8-4), Noon (ESPN2)

Citrus Bowl
Orlando, Fla.
Kentucky (9-3) vs. Penn State (9-3), 1 p.m. (ABC)

Fiesta Bowl
Glendale, Ariz.
LSU (9-3) vs. UCF (12-0), 1 p.m. (ESPN)

Rose Bowl
Pasadena, Calif.
Washington (10-3) vs. Ohio State (12-1), 5 p.m. (ESPN)

Sugar Bowl
New Orleans
Texas (9-4) vs. Georgia (11-2), 8:45 p.m. (ESPN)

Monday, Jan. 7
College Football Championship
Santa Clara, Calif.
Cotton Bowl winner vs. Orange Bowl winner, 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Jan. 19
East-West Shrine Classic
At St. Petersburg, Fla.
East vs. West, 3 p.m. (NFLN)

NFLPA Collegiate Bowl
At Pasadena, Calif.
American vs. National, TBA (NFLN)

Saturday, Jan. 26
Senior Bowl
At Mobile, Ala.
North vs. South, 2:30 p.m. (NFLN)

COLLEGE FOOTBALL BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

LITTRELL TO REMAIN NORTH TEXAS COACH AMID K-STATE INTEREST

DENTON — Seth Littrell has decided to remain at North Texas after Kansas State had expressed interest in one of the nation's up-and-coming coaches to replace Hall of Famer Bill Snyder.

Littrell told the Mean Green in a meeting Friday that he would not be leaving for the Wildcats. It ended a courtship in which Littrell met with Kansas State officials several times this week. North Texas will face Utah State in the New Mexico Bowl next week.

North Dakota State coach Chris Klieman is among the front-runners for the Kansas State job given his close relationship with Wildcats athletic director Gene Taylor. Memphis coach Mike Norvell and Troy coach Neal Brown are also considered candidates.

Snyder retired last weekend after 27 seasons with the Wildcats.

WEST VIRGINIA QB GRIER TO SKIP BOWL, PREPARE FOR NFL DRAFT

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. — West Virginia quarterback Will Grier won't play for the 15th-ranked Mountaineers in the Camping World Bowl against No. 17 Syracuse, instead focusing on preparation for the NFL draft.

Grier announced his decision Saturday in a statement released by West Virginia.

The senior joins about a dozen high-profile college players who already have announced they will skip their team's bowl games. The list includes Houston defensive tackle Ed Oliver, LSU cornerback Greedy Williams, Arizona State receiver N'Keal Harry and Michigan defensive tackle Rashan Gary. On Friday, West Virginia senior offensive tackle Yodny Cajuste announced he would not play in the bowl game.

Grier was a Heisman contender this season and a finalist for the Maxwell Award as player of the year. He averaged 351 yards passing and threw 37 touchdown passes.

Coahoma's Clark, Dobbs honored as first team all-district

From staff reports

Coahoma's Gage Clark and Keegan Dobbs made both the first team offense and first team defense on the 2018 District 2-3A Division II All-District Football Team just released.



Clark



Dobbs

Clark, a senior, was named a first team receiver and a first team outside linebacker. Dobbs, a junior, was named as a first team offensive lineman and first team defensive end.

Stanton did not a have a first team selection.

Abernathy swept the superlative awards in District MVP (Bryson Daily), Offensive MVP (Cole Carlisle) and Defensive MVP (Thomas Rodriguez).

2018 District 2-3A Division II All-District Football Team

District MVP — Bryson Daily, Jr. Abernathy
Offensive MVP — Kole Carlisle, Sr. Abernathy
Defensive MVP — Thomas Rodriguez, Sr. Abernathy

First Team Offense

Quarterback — Marlos Monroe, Sr. Colorado City
Running back — Jacob Torrez, So. Lubbock Roosevelt; Bubba Williams, Sr. Colorado City
Fullback — Adrian Macias, Sr. Abernathy
Wide receivers — Ryan Sandoval, Sr. Abernathy; Gage Clark, Sr. Coahoma; Tracy Smith, Sr. Colorado City; Joseph Sanchez, Sr. Abernathy
Offensive line — David Ornelas, Sr. Colorado City; Drew McGehee, Sr. Idalou; Miles Keith, Jr. Abernathy; Keegan Dobbs, Jr. Coahoma
Center — Nathan Sullivan, Sr. Abernathy
Tight end — Easton Clarkson, Sr. Abernathy
Kicker — Landon Reeves, Sr. Idalou

First Team Defense

Defensive tackle — Nathan Sullivan, Sr. Abernathy; Ryan Willborn, Sr. Idalou
Defensive end — Miles Keith, Jr. Abernathy; Keegan Dobbs, Jr. Coahoma
Outside linebacker — Ryan Sandoval, Sr. Abernathy; Gage Clark, Sr. Coahoma
Inside linebacker — Adrian Macias, Sr. Abernathy; Everett Hemington, Sr. Idalou; Jacob Munoz, Sr. Colorado City
Secondary — Matt Adams, Sr. Idalou; Tracy Smith, Jr. Colorado City; Joseph Sanchez, Sr. Abernathy; Jacob Torrez, So. Roosevelt
Punter — Landon Reeves, Sr. Idalou

Second Team Offense

Quarterback — Zack Schneider, Jr. Coahoma
Running back — Tim Avila, So. Stanton; Akimas Clarrell, Jr. Colorado City
Fullback — Seth Johnson, Sr. Roosevelt
Wide receivers — Bubba Duenes, Sr. Coahoma; Reid Harris, Sr. Colorado City; Cody Beasley, Jr. Stanton; Nicholas Deanda, Jr. Abernathy
Offensive line — Aiden Jumper, Sr. Abernathy; Jonathon Schneider, Jr. Coahoma; Omar Carrillo, Sr. Colorado City; Ryan Willborn, Sr. Idalou
Center — Cooper Flanagan, Sr. Idalou
Tight end — McKade Merrell, Sr. Idalou

Second Team Defense

Defensive tackle — David Ornelas, Sr. Colorado City; Aiden Jumper, Sr. Abernathy; Alejandro Gonzales, Jr. Coahoma
Defensive end — Drew McGehee, Sr. Idalou; Christian Hart, Jr. Colorado City
Outside linebacker — Jaxson Lindell, Jr. Stanton; Alex Thompson, Jr. Colorado City
Inside linebacker — Matthew Deanda, So. Abernathy; Bubba Williams, Sr. Colorado City
Secondary — Easton Clarkson, Sr. Abernathy; Zack Schneider, Jr. Coahoma; Reid Harris, Sr. Colorado City; Pierce Clary, Sr. Idalou
Punter — Bracken Hargrave, Sr. Colorado City

Coahoma Honorable Mention

Offense: WR Braxton Chandler, OL Chris Castillo, OL Garrett Anderson, OL Cutter Atkins, RB Isaac Murillo. Defense: LB Gauge Hill, LB Avry Burgans, DB Brice Martin, DB Joe Manning, DB Brant Gartman

US draws Sweden again for 2019 Women's World Cup

By Jerome Pugmire and Anne M. Peterson
Associated Press

PARIS — The defending champion United States is grouped with Sweden again for the Women's World Cup next summer in France.

The draw, which determined the group stage for the 24 teams set to play in soccer's premier tournament, was held Saturday at a gala event in Paris amid a backdrop of unrest in the country.

Host France will open the World Cup on June 7 with a match against South Korea in Paris.

The Americans defeated Japan 5-2 — highlighted by Carli Lloyd's hat trick — in Canada in 2015. The U.S. has played in every World Cup since the competition started in 1991, winning the inaugural event and also in 1999.

The No. 1-ranked U.S. team landed in the same group with Sweden for the fifth straight World Cup and the sixth time overall. Also in Group F are Thailand and Chile, which is making its World Cup debut.

The United States will open the tournament against Thailand in Reims on June 11.

Sweden, ranked No. 9 in the world in the latest FIFA rankings, will face its American foes on June 20 in Le Havre. It will be the final group match for both teams.

"This is the first time for me (against the U.S.) but I know about the history, tough games during many years. We feel that we have a chance and that's the most important thing," said coach Peter Gerhardsson, who took over the team after Pia Sundhage's retirement in 2017.

The game will be a rematch of the Olympic quarterfinal in Brazil, where Sweden advanced on penalties after a 1-1 draw. Afterward, U.S. goalkeeper Hope Solo famously called the Swedes "cowards" for bunkering on defense.

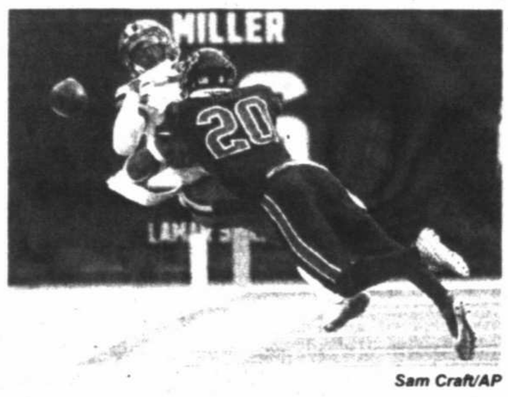
"It's a good draw for us, it pits against a couple of teams we're not that familiar with, which I like and then obviously Sweden. I like having Sweden in the third game because it allows us to settle into the tournament," said U.S. coach Jill Ellis, who was in Paris for the draw.

The pots for the draw were based on the world ranking, except that No. 3 France, as host, was atop the first pot, followed by the top-ranked U.S., Germany, England, Canada and Australia. The updated FIFA rankings were released on Friday.

France has gone 7-1-2 this year, with the loss coming against England in the SheBelieves Cup in the United States. This will be the fourth World Cup for Les Bleues.

Texans, once 0-3, could sneak past Pats, Chiefs to top AFC

By Barry Wilner
Associated Press



Sam Craft/AP

Houston Texans strong safety Justin Reid (20) breaks up a pass intended for Cleveland Browns wide receiver Jarvis Landry during the second half Dec. 2 in Houston.

Here's a crazy thought: The Houston Texans with home-field advantage throughout the AFC playoffs.

Yep, the team that began the season 0-3 just might sneak past the Chiefs and Patriots and claim that coveted spot.

The Texans have won nine in a row. They've done so in all sorts of ways, from strong defense to opportunistic offense to solid special teams to superb coaching.

On Sunday, they face Indianapolis (6-6) and can pretty much knock the Colts out of postseason contention with a win.

Indianapolis has won three of the past four against the Texans in a series in which the past eight games were decided by seven or fewer points.

Should Houston get by the Colts, the remainder of the schedule has visits to the Jets and Eagles and a home finale against Jacksonville. Considering that two-month string of wins, why can't the Texans run the table?

"It's a small accomplishment," says defensive end Jadeveon Clowney, who has justified being the top overall pick in the 2014 draft. "We still haven't even won the division with winning nine in a row, we have no playoff spot, nothing right now locked up.

"So, it's a small accomplishment, but hopefully it will lead to bigger things for us. We're playing for much more than just the division right now. We're trying to play for first, second, third seed, whoever is ahead of us right now."

That would be Kansas City (10-2) and New England (also 9-3). Both have a more testing December.

"I think it's when you start to look ahead, or you start to get overly excited about accomplishments that, not don't mean anything, but winning nine in a row, winning a division, you take things one day at a time," J.J. Watt adds.

"I think that's the biggest mentality I've taken away from it all is just control what you can control. If you try to start controlling things that you can't control, then you can get in trouble.

The weekend began with Thursday night with Tennessee's 30-9 home victory over Jacksonville.

Derrick Henry sped and stiff-armed his way to a record-tying 99-yard touchdown run for Tennessee (7-6). Henry tied Tony Dorsett's 99-yarder on Jan. 3, 1983, for Dallas against Minnesota for the longest TD run in NFL history. Henry set a franchise record with 238 yards on just 16 carries, topping the previous mark of 228 yards set by Chris Johnson in 2009 against yes, the Jaguars. Henry finished with a career-high four TDs, tying Lorenzo White and Hall of Fame running back Earl Campbell for most rushing TDs in a single game in franchise history.

Jacksonville dropped to 4-9.

New Orleans (10-2) at Tampa Bay (5-7)

The Saints take the NFC South with a win or a Carolina loss. They're eager to get back on the field after their worst performance of 2018, a Thursday night loss at Dallas in which they were overwhelmed by the Cowboys' defense.

Tampa Bay, which has gained more yards on offense than anyone — yes, even New Orleans — won the first meeting to open the season. Then the Saints won their next 10 games.

Bucs quarterback Jameis Winston has not turned over the ball since regaining the starting job two weeks ago. In the past three games, one in relief, Winston has completed 61 of 84 (72.6 percent) with six touchdowns and one interception for a 119.1 rating.

Los Angeles Rams (11-1) at Chicago (8-4)

The Rams already own the NFC West title. They earn a first-round playoff bye by beating the Bears.

This is an intriguing matchup, LA's second-ranked offense against Chicago's No. 4 defense. The Bears are second stingiest against the run, and the Rams' Todd Gurley leads the NFL in both yards rushing (1,175) and yards from scrimmage (1,649). Chicago's defense leads the NFL with 21 interceptions and will test Jared Goff.

Chicago hopes to have regular quarterback Mitchell Trubisky back from a shoulder injury that cost him two games. He'll need to watch for Rams DT Aaron Donald, making a strong statement for a second straight NFL Defensive Player of the Year award. He tops the NFL with 16½ sacks, has at least two in three straight games.

New England (9-3) at Miami (6-6)

A Patriots win — this is one place they don't like, having lost four of the past five at Miami — means yet another AFC East crown, 10 in a row. Tom Brady has won 12 of his past 13 starts within the division. He's also ready to establish another NFL record: Brady has 579 career TD passes, including postseason, tied with Peyton Manning for the most.

New England also has found a rushing defense, not allowing a 100-yard gainer since Week 3.

Miami has been outgained by 1,168 yards and is on pace to break the 1967 team record yet is in wild-card contention. The Dolphins do rank third with 25 takeaways.

Baltimore (7-5) at Kansas City (10-2)

Cincinnati (5-7) at Los Angeles Chargers (9-3)

Pittsburgh (7-4-1) at Oakland (2-10)

Two AFC division races involved here.

The Ravens have crept within a half-game of the Steelers in the North, but they have a massive challenge at KC while Pittsburgh shouldn't struggle much at lowly Oakland.

Beating the high-powered Chiefs at Arrowhead calls for a monstrous defensive showing, and Baltimore has the top-ranked D. It also has a clock-killing run game with rookie Lamar Jackson at QB: The Ravens have had at least 200 yards rushing in three straight weeks.

Still, Kansas City is 5-0 at home and leads the league in scoring at 37 points a game. Patrick Mahomes has a league-leading 41 TD passes and 43 throws of 25-plus yards.

Kansas City, which gets a playoff berth with a win, can't afford a stumble with the Chargers one game back; they meet next Thursday night. With Cincinnati in a rugged, injury-caused slump, LA could romp Sunday.

The Chargers have a few complicated ways of getting at least a wild card this week. Philip Rivers has thrown two or more TDs in each of his first 12 games, tied for the third-longest streak to begin a season in NFL history.

Rivers has 10 TDs and six INTs in six games against the Bengals, who have won four straight meetings in the regular season.

The Raiders have won the past three home games in this series since losing in 1995 and the Steelers are 3-8 all time in Oakland. Still, unless they hand things to the Raiders, they should win even without standout RB James Conner (ankle).

Minnesota (6-5-1) at Seattle (7-5), Monday night

Whoever emerges here has an inside track to a wild-card berth, though the Vikings still think they can grab the NFC North title.

Seattle is exceptional in prime time: 24-5-1 since 2010. Russell Wilson has 29 touchdown passes and five interceptions through 12 games. He has thrown at least two touchdowns in eight straight outings and has 16 touchdowns and two interceptions in Monday night games. Plus, the Seahawks are leading the NFL averaging 148.8 yards per game rushing.

But Seattle has been inconsistent defending the pass, and Kirk Cousins tops the league with 350 completions. Adam Thielen leads the NFL with 98 catches, is second in yards with 1,166, and tied for fifth in TDs with nine. Thielen and Stefon Diggs are the only pair of teammates in the NFC with 80 or more receptions.

Philadelphia (6-6) at Dallas (7-5)

A Cowboys victory gives them control of the NFC East; they won at Philly earlier this season. Dallas has won four straight and comes off that impressive victory against the Saints, followed by a nice rest.

Eagles TE Zach Ertz has already established a single-season franchise record with 93 receptions He's 18 away from breaking Jason Witten's NFL record for TEs.

New York Giants (4-8) at Washington (6-6)

Remember Mark Sanchez? He's now the Redskins' starter with both Alex Smith and Colt McCoy out with broken legs. It's his first start since 2015, and the Redskins are a banged-up bunch everywhere.

New York, which lost star safety Landon Collins (shoulder) for the rest of the season, has won three of four since its bye. RB Saquon Barkley and WR Odell Beckham Jr., are having big years despite a leaky offensive line.

Atlanta (4-8) at Green Bay (4-7-1)

Most interesting storyline is Joe Philbin taking over as Packers coach and calling plays for the first time in his pro career. Aaron Rodgers has thrown a franchise-record 336 attempts without an interception, trailing only Brady (358 in 2010-11) for the longest such stretch in league history.

Linebacker Deion Jones had a career-high 15 tackles and one sack last week, returning after missing 10 games while injured. But the Atlanta defense is 31st against third downs (51 percent).

Denver (6-6) at San Francisco (2-10)

The Broncos have awakened with three consecutive victories. But they have one road win in the past 30 seasons vs. the 49ers. They lost top wideout Emmanuel Sanders in practice this week with a torn Achilles tendon.

San Francisco's five takeaways are the fewest through 12 games since at least 1940. The previous low was seven for Jacksonville in 2016.

Carolina (6-6) at Cleveland (4-7-1)

A four-game slide has seriously endangered the Panthers' playoff chances. Their passing game has struggled and now Cam Newton has a sore right shoulder. He was picked off four times last week.

But they're averaging 140.8 rushing yards per game, only behind Seattle's 148.8.

Coach Ron Rivera fired D-line coach Brady Hoke and assistant secondary/cornerbacks coach Jeff Imamura.

Top overall draft pick Baker Mayfield threw three interceptions in the first half in a loss at Houston to dampen some of the enthusiasm in Cleveland. The Browns lead the AFC with 27 takeaways.

New York Jets (3-9) at Buffalo (4-8)

It looks as if Sam Darnold is recovered from his strained right foot, setting up a matchup with fellow first-round selection Josh Allen among rookie QB prospects.

Darnold has a 3-6 record and has thrown a league-high 14 interceptions. Allen has 391 yards passing, three TDs and two interceptions, and 234 yards rushing and a TD in his past two games since missing four with a sprained right throwing elbow.

Detroit (4-8) at Arizona (3-9)

The Lions have lost eight straight at Arizona, their last win coming in 1993. Plus, Detroit is 0-3 against the NFC West this season.

Cardinals WR Larry Fitzgerald needs one catch to move ahead of Jerry Rice for the most receptions for one team in NFL history. Fitzgerald needs one TD catch to match Antonio Gates for sixth on the career list.

Texans look for 10th straight win as they host Colts

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

HOUSTON — The Houston Texans are in a much different place now than the first time they faced the Indianapolis Colts this season when they were 0-3 and desperate for a win.

Ka'imi Fairbairn made a field goal as time expired in overtime to lead the Texans to a 37-34 victory in that game and they haven't lost since, reeling off a franchise-record nine straight wins entering Sunday's rematch.

Houston (9-3) led 28-10 in the third quarter in that first meeting before Andrew Luck threw three second-half touchdowns to rally the Colts (6-6) and set up the wild finish.

The Colts failed to convert a fourth-and-4 with 24 seconds left in overtime to give Fairbairn a chance to win it.

"Being up 28-10 ... and then letting them come back and being down in overtime and pulling through the adversity it kind of slingshot us to where we are now," Houston quarterback Deshaun Watson said.

"That was one game where we went through all types of phases and situations that put us through this nine-game win streak. It was the start of everything."

Defensive end J.J. Watt said that Sept. 30 game seems as if it was a long time ago and noted how difficult it has been for the Texans to win in Indy, a place where they're just 3-14 all time.

"We needed one to get started. That was the one to get us started on this streak," Watt said. "Bit of an unorthodox way to get it, but we got it. So, here we are."

The Texans are coming off a 29-13 win over the Cleveland Browns while the Colts were shut out 6-0 by the Jaguars last week to end a five-game winning streak.

"The Jacksonville game was tough," Luck said. "They outplayed us. There's not much else to say about it. As a defense against our offense, they just flat outplayed us ... we took a good look at it and we'll improve. I know we will."

Some things to know about Sunday's game between the Colts and Texans:

Touchdown Thomas

Houston rookie tight end Jordan Thomas has a knack for scoring with four touchdown catches despite having just 14 receptions this season. His four touchdown receptions are tied with Andre Johnson for second-most TD receptions by a rookie in franchise history. The 6-foot-6, 277-pound Thomas has been a favorite target of Watson's in the red zone with all his scores coming on catches of 13 yards or less.

New balance

Coach Frank Reich has stressed the need to find balance since he took the Colts' job in February.

When these teams met previously, Luck set single-game franchise records with 40 completions and 62 attempts and became the 11th player in league history to throw for 450 yards and four TDs. He wound up with 464 yards, second in franchise history, and four scores.

Since then, an improved ground game helped lessen the burden on Luck's arm — until last week when he threw 52 passes, including 14 straight during one stretch, in the loss to Jacksonville. Don't expect the Colts to be so one-dimensional in Houston.

"You never want to have to drop back and pass it 52 times," offensive coordinator Nick Sirianni said. "We always want to run it more. Just in that scenario, the way we were running it, we had some plays on our call sheet that we felt were going to be good to hit, some chunks in the pass game and that's the way we went."

The big D

Houston also will see a different defense.

After allowing an average of 30 points over their first six games, the Colts cut that number to 16.8 points over the past six. Indy is the only team to have forced at least one turnover in every game this season, is second in the league in tackles for loss (71.0) and rookie linebacker Darius Leonard leads the league in tackles (122) and is tied for fourth in forced fumbles (four).

First-year defensive coordinator Matt Eberflus sees it as a good start.

"We feel we have set the standard of how we want to play in terms of the style. Now we just need to execute on a consistent basis and just keep doing that week in and week out," he said. "There are a lot of things that we have to improve on, but we have come a long way."

DeAndre's art

On a TV show this week, Hall of Fame linebacker Ray Lewis said the way DeAndre Hopkins catches a football "is an art" and the Houston star agrees.

"There's more to it than just going out and catching a football," he said. "There's a lot of factors that go on before that. It's for sure an art and repetition makes perfect."

Hopkins routinely makes nearly impossible catches look run of the mill and Watson has said that he believes Hopkins will catch anything he throws his way. His latest nifty catch came last week against the Browns on a 24-yard reception near the sideline that came after T.J. Carrie grabbed his dreadlocks to try and slow him down.

Hopkins knows that he makes it look easy, but wanted to make clear that it is not.

"It's harder than people think," he said. "Especially like me I usually have a defender on me or close to me so catching the football isn't easy for me like it is for some people who are wide open. It's a challenge for me to play through that and still catch it."

COWBOYS

From 1C

10-game winning streak was the signature moment for a defense that's been carrying the Cowboys all season.

"Honestly we have been the same team," Prescott said. "We knew the team that we had in some of the games that we lost. And it was just about making those few plays here and there. I just think sitting here at 7-5 now four games later, we have been able to make those plays."

Things to consider with the Cowboys going for a season sweep of the Eagles for the first time since 2012:

Balanced attack

The Eagles are running more effectively and more frequently than they have all season. Running backs have 56 carries for 263 yards the past two games. Undrafted rookie Josh Adams has emerged as the lead back and has 169 yards on 42 rushes. Corey Clement has been productive and Darren Sproles scored on a 14-yard run in his first game since the season opener.

"We've been persistent with the run game," offensive coordinator Mike Groh said. "Guys are doing a heck of a job of creating lanes, and if there is not a lane there, there have been enough times where the backs have done a good job creating on their own."

Rested, recharged

Running back Ezekiel Elliott had 90 touches (72 carries, 18 catches) for 479 yards in the annual busy stretch of the season for the Cowboys — three games in 12 days around Thanksgiving. The 2016 NFL rushing champion welcomed four days off.

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East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	9	3	0	.750	331	259
Miami	6	6	0	.500	244	300
Buffalo	4	8	0	.333	178	293
N.Y. Jets	3	9	0	.250	243	307

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	9	3	0	.750	302	235
Tennessee	7	6	0	.538	251	254
Indianapolis	6	6	0	.500	325	279
Jacksonville	4	9	0	.308	212	273

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	7	4	1	.625	346	282
Baltimore	7	5	0	.583	297	214
Cincinnati	5	7	0	.417	286	371
Cleveland	4	7	1	.375	268	312

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Kansas City	10	2	0	.833	444	327
L.A. Chargers	9	3	0	.750	340	249
Denver	6	6	0	.500	276	282
Oakland	2	10	0	.167	220	367

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	7	5	0	.583	247	223
Philadelphia	6	6	0	.500	258	266
Washington	6	6	0	.500	233	257
N.Y. Giants	4	8	0	.333	267	315

South

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	10	2	0	.833	419	269
Carolina	6	6	0	.500	304	306
Tampa Bay	5	7	0	.417	318	355
Atlanta	4	8	0	.333	296	333

North

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Chicago	8	4	0	.667	344	241
Minnesota	6	5	1	.542	275	270
Green Bay	4	7	1	.375	281	287
Detroit	4	8	0	.333	254	316

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-L.A. Rams	11	1	0	.917	419	268
Seattle	7	5	0	.583	319	259
Arizona	3	9	0	.250	175	310
San Francisco	2	10	0	.167	255	336

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Thursday's Score

Tennessee 30, Jacksonville 9

Today's Games

New Orleans at Tampa Bay, Noon
N.Y. Giants at Washington, Noon
Atlanta at Green Bay, Noon
Indianapolis at Houston, Noon
N.Y. Jets at Buffalo, Noon
Carolina at Cleveland, Noon
New England at Miami, Noon
Baltimore at Kansas City, Noon
Cincinnati at L.A. Chargers, 3:05 p.m.
Denver at San Francisco, 3:05 p.m.
Detroit at Arizona, 3:25 p.m.
Philadelphia at Dallas, 3:25 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Oakland, 3:25 p.m.
L.A. Rams at Chicago, 7:20 p.m.

Monday's Game

Minnesota at Seattle, 7:15 p.m.

Kluber, Bauer, Greinke could be dangled at winter meetings

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Corey Kluber, Trevor Bauer, Zack Greinke and Madison Bumgarner appear to be available for teams looking to bolster starting rotations.

Hometown star Bryce Harper and Manny Machado, the two top free agents, remain unsigned heading into the traditional high-point of the offseason.

Catcher J.T. Realmuto, third baseman Kyle Seager could be among the position players dangled as trade bait in the suites of Las Vegas' Mandalay Bay, where executives and agents gather next week for the annual swap session, which in an age of complicated finances and medical records serves as a midpoint for talks as much as a place to finish deals.

Chicago Cubs president of baseball operations Theo Epstein predicted the week will be "really active."

"It seems like there is plenty of trade talk, and there are still a lot of good free agents out there," he said. "A couple of moves have already occurred that sort of always set the stage for increased activity in the next week or so."

First baseman Paul Goldschmidt (Arizona to St. Louis) and second baseman Robinson Cano (Seattle to New York Mets) are among the All-Stars already traded since the end of the World Series.

Pitchers Patrick Corbin ($140 million for six years with Washington) and Nathan Eovaldi ($68 million for four years with Boston) already struck big deals in a free-agent market moving more swiftly than last offseason's, and third baseman Josh Donaldson took a $23 million, one-year agreement with Atlanta.

Nineteen of 164 players who exercised major league free agent rights have announced deals, up from eight heading into the meetings last year.

And with A.J. Pollock, Dallas Keuchel and Craig Kimbrel still unsigned, there's plenty more holiday shopping. And for the bottom of the market, there is sale time in January, February and even March.

It's not like the old days when teams made deals as soon as the market opened and tried to fill all their needs by the end of the winter meetings.

"Things are slow," Oakland general manager Dave Forst said. "I don't think it's that different from last year. Maybe the winter meetings will kind of jumpstart things."

Also on-deck at the meetings:

Hall or nothing

Orel Hershiser, Albert Belle and George Steinbrenner will be considered for the Hall of Fame when a 16-member panel votes this weekend in Las Vegas. Results will be announced Sunday at 8 p.m. EST.

Harold Baines, Joe Carter, Will Clark, Lee Smith, Davey Johnson, Charlie Manuel and Lou Piniella are included on the ballot. The Hall of Fame board-appointed Today's Game Era Committee includes Hall members Greg Maddux, Roberto Alomar, Joe Morgan, Bert Blyleven, Pat Gillick, Tony La Russa, John Schuerholz, Ozzie Smith and Joe Torre.

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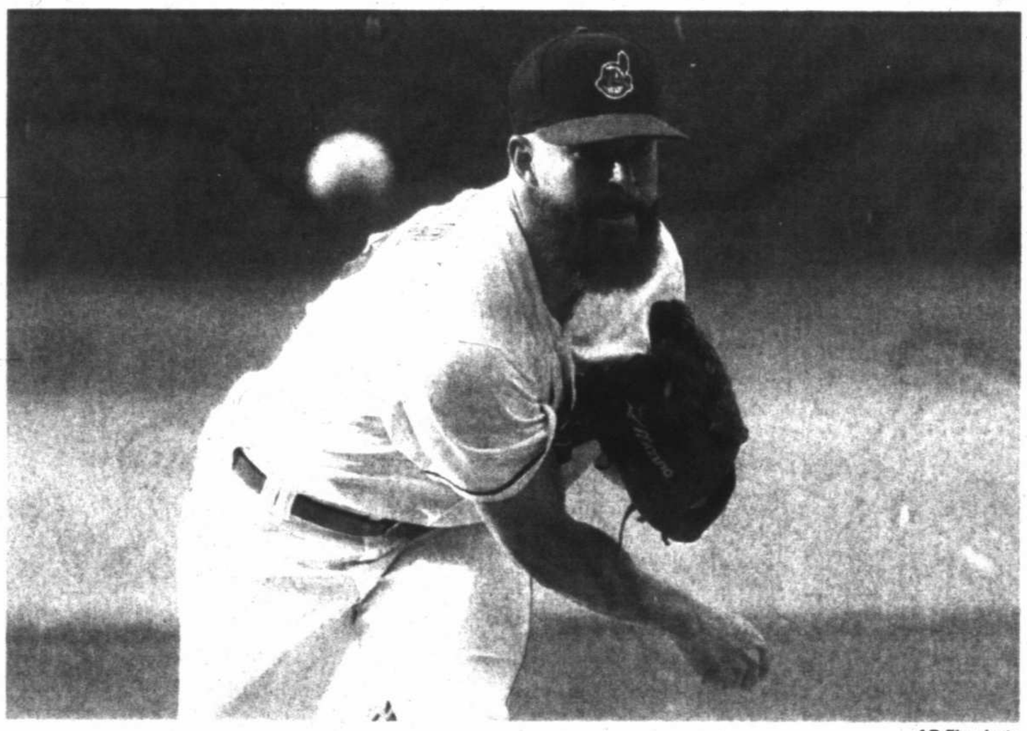
The Rule 5 draft is the last item of business at the winter meetings, held Thursday morning before clubs clear out of town. Teams scour each other's 40-man rosters, looking for players left off. Royals pitchers Brad Keller and Burch Smith, Tigers outfielder Victor Reyes and Texas outfielder Carlos Tocci were among those picked last December in the Rule 5.

Hear this

Eight announcers who called games in the early days of radio are candidates for the Hall's Ford C. Frick Award that honors broadcasting excellence. Waite Hoyt, Harry Heilmann, Connie Desmond, Pat Flanagan, Jack Graney, Al Helfer, Rosey Rowswell and Ty Tyson are all deceased.

Hoyt and Heilmann already are in the Hall as players — Hoyt was the top pitcher on the famed 1927 Yankees, Heilmann played alongside Ty Cobb in the Detroit outfield and hit .403 in 1923. No player in the Hall has also won the Frick award.

The prize will be announced Wednesday.



AP file photo

Cleveland Indians starting pitcher Corey Kluber delivers in the first inning of a game against the New York Yankees July 12 in Cleveland.

FREE AGENTS

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NEW YORK — The 145 remaining free agents (q-rejected $17.9 million qualifying offer)

AMERICAN LEAGUE

BALTIMORE (2) — Adam Jones, of; Colby Rasmus, of.

BOSTON (5) — Joe Kelly, rhp; q-Craig Kimbrel, rhp; Ian Kinsler, 2b; Brandon Phillips, 2b; Drew Pomeranz, lhp.

CHICAGO (4) — Jeanmar Gomez, rhp; Miguel Gonzalez, rhp; Hector Santiago, lhp; James Shields, rhp.

CLEVELAND (9) — Cody Allen, rhp; Michael Brantley, of; Melky Cabrera, of; Rajai Davis, of; Brandon Guyer, of; Andrew Miller, lhp; Oliver Perez, lhp; Adam Rosales, inf; Josh Tomlin, rhp.

DETROIT (4) — Jose Iglesias, ss; Francisco Liriano, lhp; Victor Martinez, dh; Jarrod Saltalamacchia, c.

HOUSTON (6) — Evan Gattis, of; Marwin Gonzalez, inf-of; q-Dallas Keuchel, lhp; Martin Maldonado, c; Charlie Morton, rhp; Tony Sipp, lhp.

KANSAS CITY (2) — Alcides Escobar, ss; Jason Hammel, rhp.

LOS ANGELES (5) — Jim Johnson, rhp; Blake Wood, rhp; Junichi Tazawa, rhp; Chris Young, of; Eric Young Jr., of.

MINNESOTA (6) — Matt Belisle, rhp; Logan Forsythe, 2b; Chris Gimenez, c; Joe Mauer, 1b; Logan Morrison, 1b; Ervin Santana, rhp.

NEW YORK (7) — Zach Britton, lhp; J.A. Happ, lhp; Adeiny Hechavarria, ss; Lance Lynn, rhp; Andrew McCutchen, of; David Robertson, rhp; Neil Walker, inf.

OAKLAND (8) — Brett Anderson, lhp; Trevor Cahill, rhp; Jaurys Familia, rhp; Edwin Jackson, rhp; Matt Joyce, of; Shawn Kelley, rhp; Jed Lowrie, 2b; Jonathan Lucroy, c.

SEATTLE (8) — Gordon Beckham, 2b; Nelson Cruz, dh; Zach Duke, lhp; Cameron Maybin, of; David Phelps, rhp; Andrew Romine, inf-of; Denard Span, of; Adam Warren, rhp.

TAMPA BAY (2) — Carlos Gomez, of; Sergio Romo, rhp.

TEXAS (6) — Tony Barnette, rhp; Adrian Beltre, 3b; Bartolo Colon, rhp; Doug Fister, rhp; Yovani Gallardo, rhp; c; Martin Perez, lhp.

TORONTO (2) —Tyler Clippard, rhp; Marco Estrada, rhp.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

ARIZONA (8) — Clay Buchholz, rhp; Randall Delgado, rhp; Daniel Descalso, inf; Jake Diekman, lhp; Jon Jay, of; q-A.J. Pollock, of; Chris Stewart, c; Brad Ziegler, rhp.

ATLANTA (8) — Brad Brach, rhp; Lucas Duda, 1b; Ryan Flaherty, inf; Nick Markakis, of; Brandon McCarthy, rhp; Peter Moylan, rhp; Rene Rivera, c; Anibal Sanchez, rhp.

CHICAGO (5) — Jorge De La Rosa, lhp; Jaime Garcia, lhp; Daniel Murphy, 2b; Bobby Wilson, c; Justin Wilson, lhp.

CINCINNATI (1) — Matt Harvey, rhp.

COLORADO (6) — Drew Butera, c; Carlos Gonzalez, of; Matt Holliday, of; DJ LeMahieu, 2b; Adam Ottavino, rhp; Gerardo Parra, of.

LOS ANGELES (6) — John Axford, rhp; Brian Dozier, 2b; q-Yasmani Grandal, c; Daniel Hudson, rhp; Manny Machado, ss; Ryan Madson, rhp.

MILWAUKEE (6) — Gio Gonzalez, lhp; Curtis Granderson, of; Jordan Lyles, rhp; Wade Miley, lhp; Mike Moustakas, 3b; Joaquin Soria, rhp.

NEW YORK (6) — Jerry Blevins, lhp; Austin Jackson, of; Jose Lobaton, c; Devin Mesoraco, c; A.J. Ramos, rhp; Jose Reyes, inf.

PHILADELPHIA (4) — Jose Bautista, of; Asdrubal Cabrera, 2b; Aaron Loup, lhp; Wilson Ramos, c.

PITTSBURGH (2) — Josh Harrison, 2b; Jordy Mercer, ss.

ST. LOUIS (3) — Matt Adams, 1b; Bud Norris, rhp; Tyson Ross, rhp.

SAN DIEGO (2) — A.J. Ellis, c; Freddy Galvis, ss.

SAN FRANCISCO (4) — Gregor Blanco, of; Derek Holland, lhp; Nick Hundley, c; Hunter Pence, of.

WASHINGTON (8) — Joaquin Benoit, rhp; Tim Collins, lhp; q-Bryce Harper, of; Jeremy Hellickson, rhp; Kelvin Herrera, rhp; Greg Holland, rhp; Mark Reynolds, 1b; Matt Wieters, c.

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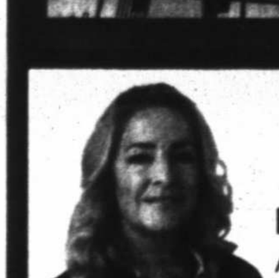
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5310 Oak Valley Dr - Wonderful in Greathouse! Spacious kitchen w/plenty of storage, granite, double ovens, office nook, beautiful wood burning fireplace, Gorgeous Pergola! $450,000
1211 Godfrey St - Fully furnished super cute & spacious home on quiet street. Small backyard w/a patio and grill. Spacious rooms, stainless appliances & tons of storage. For lease monthly $2,000
1625 Florida Ave - Great access to I-20/Bus. 80/Front St. 3 private offices, lobby/office, kitchen & bath. Warehouse w/two overhead doors- heated & insulated-not cooled; additional storage in loft area plus a private office $399,900

Two Bedrooms

4700 Deakter #607 - Updated bright kitchen with appliances included, updated bathrooms, fresh paint, downstairs corner unit w/fenced in yard ..... W/C...$87,000
4700 Deakter #1111 - Bottom floor 2 bedroom condo w/fenced yard area w/ great updates!! Sequestered master and inside connections for washer and dryer $84,000

Three Bedrooms

1611 Seaboard Ave- Luxurious traditional southern beauty in heart of Old Midland. Custom built in 2010 on a lot w/mature trees! Open plan, gourmet kitchen and each bedroom has private bath. Just spectacular! Move in condition!! $999,000
1608 W Ohio - Unique Old Midland English Tudor style home w/3 Bedrooms/3 Full baths and 2 half baths. Must see to appreciate! $799,500
3 Lobos Dr - Charming two story 3/3.5 with many updates and charm in this Frank Welch design $795,000
221 Windridge Circle - Wonderful custom Patio Home in coveted location. Perfect kitchen, sequestered master, sparkling pool, 3 LA. 2 offices/hobby room, Grand attached workshop w/multiple uses $695,000
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800 Canonero - Saddle Club Townhouse! Outdoor kitchen, fire pit, 3 car carport pergola. New windows in 2013 HVAC is high efficiency with Space guard filters. One outdoor unit replaced in 2016 ..... $810,000
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5310 Oak Valley Dr - Wonderful in Greathouse! Spacious kitchen w/plenty of storage, granite, double ovens, office nook, beautiful wood burning fireplace. Gorgeous Pergola! $450,000
612 E County Rd 130 - Well maintained home,w/Workshop/3rd car garage/RV carport behind main house. Lovely detached guest house in rear of the 2 acre tract with 3 BR's & 2 baths ..... SOLD...$360,500
5711 Los Patios - Beautiful Carrasco resale in Los Patios! This home offers so much-high ceilings, oversized bedrooms, & HUGE great room. Great kitchen and wonderful landscaped backyard w/plush grass, covered back patio and plenty of space for kiddos or pets ..... W/C...$385,000
3005 Seattle St - Top quality workmanship! Custom finishes! Beautiful granite selection, chef's kitchen w/great work space & pantry. Extra storage! Plus so much more! ..Odessa ..... W/C...$389,000
1008 Boyd Ave - Fantastic and updated Ranch style home in Old Midland. Open floor plan w/wood and tile flooring throughout, Backyard has turf and lots of space for entertaining $379,500
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2005 Rhea- Beautifully updated home that offers best of both worlds-low maintenance in front w/a lg. courtyard & grassed yard in back. Lg. rooms, Huge living w/lovely wood floors, Must see! ..... SOLD...$365,000
3700 County Rd 1200- AS IS WHERE IS SALE. CASH ONLY. Investor special. 2.5 acres to do what you want with. house needs TLC. Garage apartment with kitchen and bath has income potential too. 4 car garage $295,000
2911 Sunbeard Dr - Fabulous 3 Bedroom/2 Bath home in Wydewood Estates $299,000
1008 Ennese-Great old Midland location on the corner! Wonderful mid century architecture, Needs some TLC $275,000
3001 Pointer Ln.--(Bldg. 8 Unit A) LOW MAINTENANCE, quality constructed homes with sky high ceilings, granite, hardwood floors, downstairs master with dual sinks and a HUGE 2 car garage. Two story townhomes available, both pre 1900 sq ft., perfect for retail or office use. Recently remodeled w/fresh paint and carpet. Each w/over (1) AA Tyrrific high traffic location on Garden City Hwy in SE Midland. Convenient to downtown, Kansas Hwy and Interstate 20 and many restaurant and retail businesses ..... $2,500 each monthly...Call BIG Sunil or Brandee Hall 682-1111
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Three Bedrooms

3512 Garfield St-Low maintenance 3 Bedroom/2.5 Bath Town Home with nice courtyard. Many possibilities! ..W/C...$215,000
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5310 Lenora Ave- Beautifully updated 3 Bedrooms/2 Bath home w/very possible amenity! Wood-look tile floors, Wooster kitchen! Fabulous Master Bath redo! Gorgeous tile! Huge Outdoor patio w/covered concrete flooring! Beautiful tree in front! So so much newness & awesomeness!! ..W/C...$205,000
3211 Marissa Ave - Darling house in great condition, 3 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, large living and dining area, Kitchen Stove and refrigerator stay. Large yard and brea-tiful front yard. ..SOLD...$199,000

Four Bedrooms

907 Citation - Beautiful in Saddle Club Townhomes! Many updates throughout. Lots of light! Wood and tile flooring, Bathrooms updated with travertine tile and new fixtures. Fantastic Chef's kitchen w/double ovens, updated counter tops and lots of storage! ..$768,500
4505 Shady Oak - Lovely 4 or 5 bedroom on the Gold Course in Green Tree, Gorgeous pool w/pool house, Beautiful bamboo floors, completely updated kitchen w/new appliances, Wonderful trees in front and back. Squeaky clean all beautifully maintained! ..SOLD...$690,000
2911 Sunbeard Dr - Updated family home w/so much character- space to entertain and pool. White kitchen is obviously the hub of home. Bar, built-in desk and workstop. New windows, steel doors! ..$635,000
810 Marshall - One of the best views of the Ranch pond in Midland! Renovated in 2017. Beautiful 4/3, 3 car garage on corner lot in coveted Old Midland. Gourmet kitchen, Separate mother-in-law suite and tons of storage ..$576,000
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5007 Castleford Rd.-Like New with so many beautiful updates throughout this premier home in coveted location! Improved pool and spa w/large covered and open patio spaces, secondary gathering patio, Living /family room w/blonde FP, Wow! ..$535,000
2705 Bonly Ave- LOTS OF EXTRAS! 4BR, 2 1/2BA in main house and 1 1/2BA in pool house, .47 acre lot w/patio, cabana, pool, hot tub and yard, a "old Midland". Great for family or entertaining ..W/C...$499,000
4707 Cherrywood Dr- Briarwood Beauty! 4 Bedrooms/3 Baths on cul-de-sac. Move in ready with great yard and community POOL! ..$492,000
3008 Dearing Dr--Beautiful 4BR/3.5BA home in Country Club North in Odessa. Open floor plan, recely updated, all with a gated private drive on 1/2 acre. Sun Room, patio and Sparkling POOL! ..$490,000
1422 Rendon Dr - Terrific 4BR/4BA, 2 living area, 2 dining area home in central Midland! Low maintenance exterior, but tons of space inside! Updated kitchen,spa covered patio in back, storm cellar!! hardwood and tile floors, you'll love this versatile plan! ..$415,000
2107 Franklin Ave - Lovely spacious 4 Bedroom/2.5 Bath home in Big Man Terrace! ..$360,000
2910 W Sheridan Ave- MUST SEE 'OLD MIDLAND' HOME! Amazing family home w/traditional charm. Perfect 4BR/3BA, great floors, fabulous trees, updated kitchen, covered outdoor patio w/ lots of grass ..W/C...$379,000
9919 Hall Of Fame Blvd - Lovely, 4 Bedroom w/2 Living areas, and tons of upgrades!! ..SOLD...$299,000
3024 San Pedro Dr- Located in Mission Estates, Wonderful 4BR/3BA home w/open floor plan,lots of windows,natural light,& hardwood floors! Huge Family Room w/wood burning fireplace! Large & open kitchen, Formal Dining! Both covered and open patio! Midland or Odessa schools! ..W/C...$340,000
500 Ellis St - Beautifully maintained 4BR/2BA home in Stanton on one of the prettiest tree shaded streets!! Large living open to kitchen/dining area, Covered back patio w/big yard. ..SOLD...$260,000

Five or More Bedrooms

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2908 Sentinel Dr - Spectacular family home! 6BD/4BA, Sequestered master and sequestered guests, ton's of storage, Negative pergola patio and fabulous pool! ..$599,500
3400 Brentwood Dr - ODESSA-Multi use property! Zoned commercial but can be residential. Currently, is office but could be 6 or 7 BR/5BA so many possibilities! ..$399,000

For Lease

1323 NE Conrad Dr- Brand new, never lived in, 4BR/2BA on large corner lot. For lease ..Monthly ..$2,200
1211 Godfrey St - Fully furnished super cute & spacious home on quiet street. Small backyard w/a patio and grill. Spacious rooms, stainless appliances & tons of storage ..For lease monthly ..$2,000
1201 Garden City Hwy- Two spacious penthouse, both pre 1900 sq ft., perfect retail or office use. Recently remodeled w/fresh paint and carpet. Each w/over (1) AA Tyrrific high traffic location on Garden City Hwy in SE Midland. Convenient to downtown, Kansas Hwy and Interstate 20 and many restaurant and retail businesses ..$2,500 each monthly...Call BIG Sunil or Brandee Hall 682-1111
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5700 E. Co. Rd. 80-2784 sq. ft. w/in-law plan ..$399,900
1600 E Taylor Ave., Midland - 5.440 acres of vacant land zoned commercial ..$100,000
2701 S. County Rd. 1170-Prime location 1.336 acres, to build a home that could face either South County Road 1170 or East County Road 90 ..$87,000

Commercial Investment Property

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2600 W Louisiana Ave-Location, Location...Location this 45 room facility originally built in 1954 w/new additions since. ..W/C...$2,900,000
3501 Lamesa Rd-4550sf. 50X75 @3750 of main floor w/lobby and 2 bathrooms. 900 sf. is being used as apartment w/1 bath. Kitchen, living and BR space. Currently Midland Gymnastics center ..$700,000
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10601 W CR 72, Midland- 5.020 acres. 4,200 sq. ft. office built in 2015. 2 modular buildings to house overnight drivers. Perfect truck yard ..$750,000
1700 Fort Worth- Commercial building w/4027 Sq. ft. Previously used as St. Andrews Presbyterian Mission ..$595,000
11525 W Hwy 158, Garden City- 25 acres of Ranch/Pasture land w/a 2,300 sq. ft. home; 4 bed, 3 bath, whole house generator ..$400,000
1625 Florida Ave - Great access to I-20/Bus. 80/Front St. 3 private offices, lobby/office, kitchen & bath. Warehouse w/two overhead doors - heated & insulated-not cooled; additional storage in loft area plus a private office ..$399,900
600 Broadway St- Light Industrial facility located on the South service road of Interstate 20 at the intersection of First Street or FM 820, Coahoma, TX. FM 820 connects to the Snyder Hwy on the north side of Coahoma ..$399,000
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3400 Brentwood Dr- ODESSA-Multi use property! Zoned for commercial but can be residential, Currently, is office w/at least 6 offices-Storage area, kitchen, dining & 4 restrooms, 7 utility rooms and BONUS 432 sf, upstairs studio apartment w/bedroom, bathroom & separate outside entrance. Parking pad, courtyard, sunroom & enclosed patio! ..$285,000
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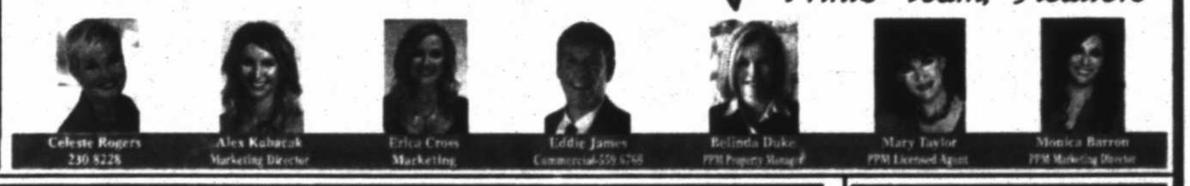
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3410 Bluebird Ln - Absolutely spectacular updated 5 bed/4.5 bath/1 living (great room, formal, study)/2 dining/6 car garage estate on 4 fenced acres in prime location! Dazzling Pool! Outdoor shop/6th car garage/RV parking! Water well+city water/septic!..$1,995,000
1901 Humble - Absolutely Spectacular 5 Bed/5 Bath+4-Flex Living/2 Dining/4 Car Gar On Landscaped Corner Lot In Heart Of Desirable Old Midland! Unbelievable Re-Model From Ground Up! Gleaming Hardwood, Slate & Marble Flooring Thru-Out! ..$1,500,000
401 Sir Barton Pkwy.- Stunning custom (by Woodruff)- to be completed 5/18! 6-7 bed/4-5 living/2 dining/5.5 bath+ guesthouse w/kitchen & bath! Top appliances, all hardwood floors, upstairs game room & plumbed for pool/water well! ..$1,500,000
5901 E Midland Dr - Amazing location on a midland dr near glasc! home and barn sit on 8 acres. 2 other tracts available to purchase equaling 14.87 acres! 4 bed/3.5 bath/2 liv(basement+sunroom)/2dining updated top-to-bottom! ..$1,500,000
4524 Corsair Ct - Sweeping golf course views with 5 bed/4 full bath/2 half bath/4 living/2 dining! Gleaming hardwood floors, soaring ceilings, gourmet kitchen w/large island! All tile bath and whirlpool! Extra long pool in backyard complete with a cabana, outdoor kitchen and fireplace! ..$1,495,000
8200 Dunblane - Spectacular private Mediterranean home on 2.5 acres! 4 bed/3 bath/4 living (finished 140 sq.ft. basement)/2 dining/oversized 3 car garage w/fabulous patio & beautiful lush landscaping! Large patio w/pergola & outdoor kitchen & living! ..$995,000
5804 Drexel Ct - Fabulous 4 bed/3.5 bath/3+living (study, great room, formal, huge game room, sitting area-master, 2 more office areas)/2 dining/3 gar home on lushly landscaped (lg) lot on cul-de-sac! Many updates! ..$750,000
1605 Country Club Dr - Spectacular find in the heart of Old Midland! Very spacious (4451 sq.ft.) 5 bed/3 bath/3 living/4 dining home on a lovely (huge) landscaped lot! Two fireplaces and large closets! ..$749,000
2109 Dossona Ln.-Dramatic one-of-a kind 6 bed/6 bath+ 2 1/2 bath/2 dining/9 living (studies, theater, formals, great room, game room, gym)/2 kitchens! Soaring ceilings, lovely marble flooring, theater w/equipment! In-ground pool! ..$715,000
4212 Timberglen Pl - Absolutely Spectacular & Updated-To-The-Minute! Very Recent "Hardwood" (tile) Flooring! 5 Bed/3.5 Bath/2 Living /2 Dining/3 Car Home On Lovely Lush Landscaped Lot--Fantastic Patio & 7-Ft+ High Privacy Fence! ..$680,000
16210 SCR 1210 - Fantastic unique property! 1.2 acres w/runway, hanger, office & living accommodations! 50x76 hanger w/retractable door! 2-story w/5 bedrooms/6 full baths/3 living/3 dining/2 car garage w/workshop! ..$640,000
5010 S County Rd 1213 - Fabulous Country Property 4bed/3bath/Dining*/Living/2 Oversized Garage/Plus A 1920' Workshop. Miles Of Tile & Walls Of Windows! High Ceilings Throughout Home, Gourmet Kitchen Has Gas Cooktop & Granite Counters ..$499,000
3303 Feldspar Ln - Fantastic 4 bed/3 bath/2 dining/3 car gar home on landscaped lot w/circle drive! Gourmet kitchen w/granite (thru-out) & stainless appliances! Lg lovely covered front patio & lg low maint. back patio w/palm trees! ..$459,000
5700 San Miguel Ave.-Rare gem in Adobe Meadows! One of the largest & most incredible landscaped backyard! Stunning 4 bed/2.5 bath/3 living (great room, game room,media room)/2 dining home w/open living concept! Granite thru-out! ..$380,000
2911 Culpepper - Centrally located on quiet cul-de-sac, this home is perfect for large families w/ plenty of room for all! 5 BR/3 baths w/ 2 living areas (3,267sq ft) featuring, stroke to the heart of the house, light & bright living room, cozy den w/ wood-burning fireplace! ..$350,000
3011 Bermuda Ct - Absolutely fabulous 4 bedroom/2.5 Bath 2 living areas and 2 dining/ 2 car gar! Gorgeous kitchen w/granite countertops! Soaring ceilings, walls of windows, crown molding, lovely tile and stained concrete flooring! ..$345,000
3216 SCR 1050 - Gorgeous home on 1 acre in highly desired greenwood school district perfect for large family w/ room for animals & play! 4 bed/2 bath (2018) home offers a modern contemporary style, open living-kitchen-dining concept light & bright w/ vaulted ceilings! ..$307,000
913 W Golf Course Rd - Ranch style home great for entertaining! 4 bed/3 bath/2 living/2 dining/2 car gar home on landscaped lot! Huge kitchen! Recent updates: interior paint, new pergola, new roof, a/c's, water heaters, windows & new insulation! ..$285,000
3222 Camarie - Move in ready 4 bed/2 living/2 dining home with neutral paint and flooring throughout! den living is open to breakfast dining and kitchen so you won't miss a thing! master bedroom is large and sequestered! ..$229,000

1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS

11602 W County Rd 90 - Fabulous spacious home in the country w/gigantic shop. 3 bd/3 bath 3140 sq ft home w/attached 3-car gar includes 2 living areas, 2 dining areas, huge sequestered master bed & suite, & office on 2.45 Acres ..$489,000
1005 Whitfield Rd - Unbelievable remodel inside this 3 bed / 2.5 bath home! From the spectacular brevda gas lanterns on the porch, freshly painted walls w/crown molding to the marble countertops & gourmet kitchen! ..$440,000
5212 Ellen Joyce Way - Spectacular Lance Friday home! 3 bed/2 bath/2 car garage home w/large open living/kitchen, professional grade appliances, buyers still have time to pick finishes! Completion date August 2018! ..$425,000
9111 Ashdown Pl - Fantastic & spacious 3 bed / 2.5 bath in a great, quiet neighborhood! Wood flooring and soaring ceilings with a cozy brick fireplace in living! Kitchen has fabulous backsplash with updated cabinets! Master bath has been redone w/granite countertops! ..$360,000
3216 Sentinel Dr - Cute 3 bed/1 full bath on low maint. corner lot w/circle drive! Front courtyard w/covered patio & lg back covered/open patio! Great room w/floor-to-ceiling brick fireplace, tile flooring & walls of windows! New carpet, interior paint, metal roof! ..$315,000
414 E Oak - Fantastic 3 bed / 2 bath completely updated with custom finishes! Move in ready! Great kitchen with granite and large island! Hardwood / tile flooring throughout! Great fenced backyard with large concrete patio! ..$300,000
2701 SCR 1223 - Great property! this land includes 2701 & 2703 for a total of 2.109 acres! mobile home (3 bed / 2 bath -approx 2100 sqft) pass with sale of the property! home has great stone fireplace! ..$255,000
109 Dallas St (Coleman) - Quaint 2 bed/2 bath home nicely maintained (age unknown) in fabulous location in coleman! Easy access to downtown! Located on quiet cul-de-sac! Large living & dining area w/ nice-size kitchen! Central heat & cooling system, gas range, & dishwasher! ..$48,000
1010 W Cedar (Coleman) - 2 bed/1 full bath and 1 three quarter bath/2 living/2 dining/one car-carport home on large lot in Coleman, TX! Huge back & front yards w/lots of trees for shade, covered patio & chain-link fenced yard! ..$30,000

COMMERCIAL, LAND AND LOTS

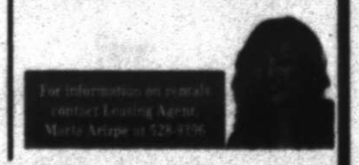
5201 E Midland Dr - 3.55 acres on green hill terrace! Private entrance lot includes cedar home (1700 sqft) w/overhead electricity, pipe fencing, concrete floors, tack room, feed room, etc. Also has 6 stalls in stable with loading chute! ..$220,000
5605 E Midland Dr. - Landscaped 3.34 Acres in green hill terrace! Own a piece of country right in the middle of the city! 1 of 3 tracts that can be sold individually. Water well available, private sewer as well as overhead electricity ..$201,200
0000 SCR 1150 - Acreage minutes away from Midland! 12.28 acre tract located in the city limits of Midland on SCR 1150! Residential development or building your dream home in the country! 2 water wells & overhead electricity lines on three sides! ..$200,000
1004 W Front - Absolutely great business opportunity with office space included. Fully functional laundry mat with all equipment less than 3 years old. 6 Offices up front can be used for separate company or convert the whole building to a full service laundry facility ..$200,000
4002 Spring Meadow Ln - In town residential development opportunity! Four lots to be sold as one package! See Westbrook covenants & restrictions for building requirements for single family residences. Located in center of the subdivision! ..$200,000
1414 Tejas - Development potential- can be subdivided! 7.9 acres in 349 Ranch Estates on W Big Spring across from Midland Country Club! ..$192,000
2701 SCR 1223 - Great property! Land includes 2701 & 2703 for a total of 2.109 acres! AG-45 3 bed/2 bath mobile home pass with sale of property! 30 mature trees, 2 trailer hook ups, boat/RV parking, 2 storage bldgs w/electrical! 2 water wells & 2 septic tanks! ..$255,000
2722 S Commercial Dr (Coleman) - Fantastic commercial building multi-purpose! Over 3100 sq.ft.- fabulous space & rooms on huge corner landscaped lot! w/large paved parking lot! 3 dining areas/2 baths & bright front entry! ..$150,000
3013 Judson Gate Rd - Located in Timber Wolf Estates, this residential lot is 0.8 acres in Martin County. Buyer must use Anderson Construction as builder, Sharpland Electric, Septic with Graham K and Marks Water Well. Deeds and Restrictions available ..$132,000
Timber Wolf Estates, North - Brand new subdivision, approx. 2-3 acre lots, plat available. Water/septic/fence can all be added at buyer's expense. Sharpland electric company. Builder specific: Robert Anderson. Minimum size home 2,500 square ft. ..$70,000 - $120,000
1201 Dunn Way, Snyder, TX 79549 - 6 Acres perfect for industrial use located in industrial park southeast snyder! Approximately 1 acre yard fenced with caliche pad. Includes a metal office building 200 sq.ft. and small storage building! ..$65,000
0001 Elkins Rd - 5 acre residential lot in fast growing subdivision in Timber Wolf Estates. Builder Exclusive with Anderson Construction, minimum 2000 sq.ft. home. Must use Graham K for septic and Marks Water Well Service. Deeds and Restrictions apply ..$55,000
0011 Elkins Rd - 5 acre residential lot in fast growing subdivision in Timber Wolf Estates. Builder Exclusive with Anderson Construction, minimum 2000 sq.ft. home. Must use Graham K for septic and Marks Water Well Service. Deeds and Restrictions apply ..$55,000
2001 Timber Wolf Trail - 4.3 acre residential lot in fast growing subdivision in Timber Wolf Estates. Builder Exclusive with Anderson Construction, minimum 2000 sq.ft. home. Must use Graham K for septic and Marks Water Well Service. Deeds and Restrictions apply ..$72,000
715 W Hanlon St.- Great location on the north side of Coleman! 1271 sq.ft. brick building can be used for a variety of purposes & businesses! Larger cooler, two storage rooms, an office & build! Fabulous visibility! ..$55,000
Cutter Estates - Fabulous subdivision conveniently located in gatewood-water w/sider-10 lots (appr .75 Acre) plat available. Roads will be paved by developer. Water well/septic system can be added to sales price bid @ buyers exp, min home 2000 sq.ft. buyer has choice of builder, plans approved by developer ..$30,000

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6912 Prairie Ridge ..UNDER CONTRACT!
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9409 Cayuse Ct ..UNDER CONTRACT!
44 Lafayette Place ..UNDER CONTRACT!
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3206 Alford ..UNDER CONTRACT!
725 Pinehurst Dr ..UNDER CONTRACT!
3000 SCR 1150 ..UNDER CONTRACT!
705 Dimaggio ..UNDER CONTRACT!
2401 Arbor Circle ..UNDER CONTRACT!
1405 Lamina Ct ..UNDER CONTRACT!
5200 Castle Pine Rd ..UNDER CONTRACT!
3109 Rio Mar Ct ..UNDER CONTRACT!
2314 Stonewall Dr ..UNDER CONTRACT!
0000 E 00th Ct ..UNDER CONTRACT!
4705 Cindy Pl ..UNDER CONTRACT!
7002 Sienna Dr ..UNDER CONTRACT!
5709 San Saba ..UNDER CONTRACT!
3205 Alford ..UNDER CONTRACT!
7401 Briarwood ..UNDER CONTRACT!
5115 Ravens Cir ..SOLD!
1210 Lyndale ..SOLD!
5215 Ellen Joyce Way ..SOLD!

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NOTICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF TEXAS

To DAVID CHAN, Respondent: AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 A.M. on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you. The petition of San San Thwe, Petitioner, was filed in the 318th District Court of Midland County, Texas on November 28, 2018 against David Chan, Respondent, numbered FM65375 and entitled "In The Matter Of San San Thwe and David Chan. The suit requests a divorce between the parties.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment in the Petitioner's interest which will be binding upon you.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Midland, Texas, this 6th day of December, 2018.

Alex Archuleta
Clerk of the 318th Court of MIDLAND County, Texas

By Gilda Morales, Deputy Clerk

Legal and Public Notices

THE STATE OF TEXAS
NOTICE TO RESPONDENT:

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 O' Clock on the Monday following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you.

TO: EDGAR LARA:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable District Court 318th Judicial District Court, Midland County, Texas at the Courthouse of said County in Midland, Texas, at or before 10:00 A.M. after the expiration of 20 days from the date of service of this citation, then and there to answer the petition of **LUIS F. LAGUNA AND LILIA LAGUNA,** Petitioners, filed in said Court on the 14th day of November 2018 against **EDGAR LARA,** Respondent and said suit being Number AD33322 on the docket of said Court and entitled "In The Interest of Edgar Darey Lara, A Minor Child," the nature of which suit is a request for adoption of the minor child, that Petitioners be granted the adoption and for general relief.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the parties interest and in the interest of the child which will be binding upon you.

ISSUED AND GIVEN UNDER My hand and seal of said Court on this the 6th day of December, 2018.

Gilda Morales
CLERK OF THE COURT

Legal and Public Notices

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
CAUSE NO. CV54107

TO ANY SHERIFF OR ANY CONSTABLE WITH THE STATE OF TEXAS: YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks in a newspaper printed in Midland County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.

TO: The Unknown Heirs at Law of Kenneth M. Blaylock, Deceased, Defendants, GREETINGS:

YOU AND EACH OF YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 385th Judicial District Court of Midland County, described below, at the Courthouse being located at 500 N. Loraine St., Suite Number 801, in the City of Midland, Midland County, Texas, by filing a written answer with the Clerk of the Court at or before 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of issuance of this citation, the same being filed in said court, on the docket of said court and styled,

LIVE WELL FINANCIAL, INC.
Plaintiff,
v.
WILINDA M. BLAYLOCK, KENNETH JAMES BLAYLOCK, AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF KENNETH M. BLAYLOCK, DECEASED,
Defendants
Cause No: **CV541076**
Court: **385th Judicial District Court, Midland County, Texas**
Pleading: **Plaintiff's Original Petition**
Date of Filing: **December 22, 2017**
Nature of Suit: **Suit involving land: Plaintiff, Live Well Financial, Inc., its successors in interest and assigns, by and through its attorney of record, Thuy Frazier of McCarthy Holthus, LLP, 1255 West 15th Street, Suite 1060, Plano, Texas 75075, brought suit against Defendants Wilinda M. Blaylock, Kenneth James Blaylock, the Unknown Heirs at Law of Kenneth M. Blaylock, and any other person claiming any subordinate right, title, interest in 217 N. Eisenhower Drive, Midland, Texas 79703 and legally described to wit: LOT THIRTEEN (13), REPLAT OF BLOCKS 122,123 & 125, BLOCK ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE (125), WILSHIRE PARK, AN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF MIDLAND, MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF OF RECORD IN CABINET B, PAGE 179, PLAT RECORDS OF MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS.**

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any Judgment or Decree which will be binding upon you.
The officer executing this citation shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.
ISSUED AND GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE, at Midland, Midland County, Texas.

Issue Date: November 8, 2018
ATTEST: Alex Archuleta, District Clerk
500 N. Loraine St.
Suite Number 300
Midland, Midland County, Texas 79701

(SEAL) By _____
Angela L. Gardea

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Thuy Frazier
McCarthy & Holthus, LLP
1255 West 15th Street, Suite 1060
Plano, Texas 75075
Plaintiff's Attorney

Legal and Public Notices

Notice of Application for Fluid Injection Well Permit

Wasser Operating, LLC 6 Desta Drive Suite 5850 Midland, Texas 79705 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Ellenburger, Mabee 12 SWD Lease, Well Number 1. The proposed injection well is located 17.2 miles southeast of Andrews, in the Lowe (Ellenburger) Field, in Andrews County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 12,900 to 15,500 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792)

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HIGHLIGHTS: 6-Rubber Tired Loaders: 2018 Cat 966M, 2015 Cat 950M, 2016 Cat 938M, 2014 Cat 938K, 2017 Case 621F, Komatsu WA120. **5-Crawler Tractors:** (3)2015-2011 Cat D6KLGP, 2012 Cat D6NLGP, 2016 Cat D5K2LGP(cab), 2008 Cat D5KLGP, 2012 JD 750JLGP, 2010 JD 700JLGP. **11-Excavators:** 2018 Cat 320FL, 2015 Cat 320E, 2015 Cat 314ELCR, 2014 Cat 314ECR, 2016 Cat 313FL, 2017 Cat 313F, (2)2016 Linkbelt LB145X3LC, 2016 Linkbelt LB130X3LC, (2)2016 NH E330B. **7-Backhoes:** (4)Unused Terex 840R(4x4), (2)2012 JD 310J(4x4), 2013 NH B95C. **Vibratory Roller:** 2013 Dynapac CA150D(cab). **Asphalt Roller:** 2007 Dynapac CC900. **Trench Roller:** 2014 Wacker RTX-SC2. **15-Rubber Tracked Skid Steers:** 2017-2014-2013 Cat 299D, 2009 Cat 299C, (3)2015 Cat 289D, (2)2016 JD 323E, (2)2015 Gehl RT250, (2)2016 Gehl RT210, 2016-2015 Gehl RT175, 2011 Case TR320. 2016 Takeuchi TL8. **8-Skid Steers:** 2015 Cat 246D, 2013 Bobcat S530, 2013 JD 315, Case 60XT, Case 1840, 2017 NH L218, 2013 NH L220, 2017 NH C227. **8-Trenchers:** 2006 Ditch Witch T95, 2012 Ditch Witch RT80, (6)2014 Ditch Witch RT16. **2-Scissor Lifts:** (2)2007 Skyjack SJ3219. **Welding Accessory:** 2008 Miller Wire Feed Attachment. **3-Trk Tractors:** (2)2013 IH 8600(Wa), 2011 Kenworth T800(Wa). **Pickup Trk:** 2007 Ford F150(4x4). **9-Detachables:** (9)New 2019 Witzco RG50. **Heating Equip.:** 2008 Heatstar HS170. **16-Pressure Washers:** (16)New Easy Kleen Magnum Gold. **4-Attachments, 22-Support Equip.**

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

REAL PROPERTY

WHEREAS, BY VIRTUE OF A WRIT OF EXECUTION ISSUES BY THE DISTRICT CLERK OF MIDLAND COUNTY TEXAS, ON THE 4TH DAY OF AUGUST 2017, IN A CERTAIN CAUSE NUMBERED CC19507 OUT OF THE COUNTY COURT AT LAW #2 OF MIDLAND COUNTY TEXAS, STYLED LINE QUEST, LLC VS RWI CONSTRUCTION INC. RECOVERED A JUDGEMENT AGAINST RWI CONSTRUCTION INC. FOR THE ACTUAL DAMAGES IN THE AMOUNT OF $25,650.00, PRE-JUDGEMENT INTEREST AT THE CONTRACT RATE OF 5% IN THE AMOUNT OF $175.68, REASONABLE AND NECESSARY ATTORNEY'S FEES IN THE AMOUNT OF $2,000.00 FOR THE PROSECUTION OF THIS CASE THROUGH JUDGEMENT, POST JUDGEMENT INTEREST ON ALL THE ABOVE AT THE RATE OF 5%, COMPOUNDED ANNUALLY FROM THE DATE THIS JUDGEMEMT IS ENTERED UNTIL ALL AMOUNTS ARE PAID IN FULL.

TO ME, AS SHERRIF GARY PAINTER DIRECTED AND DELIVERED, I HAVE LEVIED UPON THIS 6TH DAY DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2018 AND WILL BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 10:00 AM AND 4:00 PM AT APPROXIMATELY 10:00 AM ON THE FIRST WEDNESDAY IN JANUARY, 2019, IT BEING THE 2ND DAY OF SAID MONTH, JANUARY 2ND 2019, AT MIDLAND COUNTY COURTHOUSE OF MIDLAND, COUNTY, PROCEED TO SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, FOR CASH IN HAND, ALL RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST, IF ANY, WHICH THE DEFENDANT RWI CONSTRUCTION HAD ON THE 2ND DAY OF JANUARY, 2019, OR AT ANY TIME THEREAFTER, OF IN AND TO THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY.

BEGINNING at reinf rod found for the southeast corner of said 11.36-acre tract of land and in the southwest corner of a 60 foot right of way dedicated to the public in Volume 4142, Page 183, Official Public Records of Midland County, Texas and in the south right of way line of State Highway 191 from which the southeast corner of Section 31, Block 40, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey, Midland County, Texas bears N 75° 18' 28" E. a distance of 1230.55 feet, S 14° 06' 35" E. for a distance of 200.01 feet;

THENCE, S 75° 18' 28" W with the north right of way line of State Highway 191 for a distance of 200.04 feet to a reinf rod set for the southwest corner;

THENCE, N 09 22- 23" W departing north right of way line of State Highway 191 for a distance of 381.42 feet to a reinf rod set for corner;

THENCE, N 18° 23' 29" W for a distance of 326.43 feet to a reinf rod set for the northwest corner and in the south right of way line of a 50-foot private road;

THENCE, N 75° 15' 03" E with the south right of way line of a 50 foot private road for a distance of 192.68 feet to a reinf rod set for the northeast corner and in the northwest corner of and in the southwest corner of a 60 foot right of way dedicated to the public in Volume 4142, Page 183, Official Public Records of Midland County, Texas;

THENCE, S 14° 07' 46" E with the southwest corner of a 60 foot right of way dedicated to the public in Volume 4142, Page 183, Official Public Records of Midland County, Texas and being a common line with the east line of said 11.36 acre tract of land for a distance of 705.71 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING and containing 128791 square feet or 2.96 acre of land. (the "Property")

SAID PROPERTY IS LEVIED ON AS PROPERTY OF RWI CONSTRUCTION INC AND WILL BE SOLD TO SATISFY THE JUDGMENT, INTEREST, COURT COST, FEES AND OTHER COSTS OF SUIT.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND ON THIS 4TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2018

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Legal and Public Notices

Notice of Application for Oil & Gas Waste Disposal Well Permit

Wasser Operating, LLC 6 Desta Drive Suite 5850 Midland, Texas 79705 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation not productive of oil or gas. The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the Ellenburger, Mabee 13 SWD Lease, Well Number 1. The proposed disposal well is located 19.2 miles southeast of Andrews, in the Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, in Andrews County. The waste water will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 12,900 to 15,500 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to Technical Permitting, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792)

Legal and Public Notices

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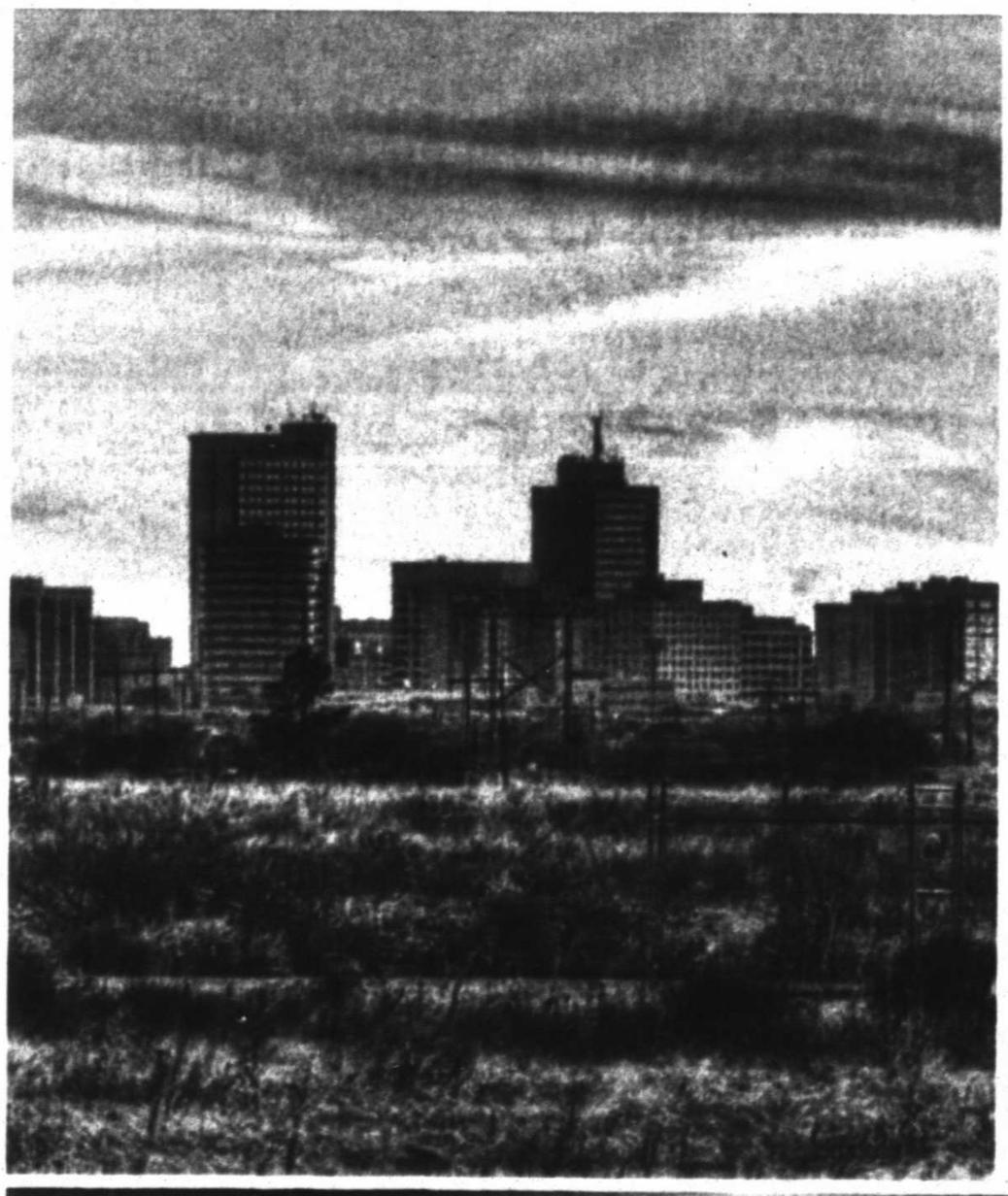
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ACE A 30-MINUTE INTERVIEW



By Kim Thompson

It's no surprise that preparing for an interview combined with your desire to be the best candidate can be somewhat stressful. The pressure builds when your interview is scheduled to last 30 minutes and you need to make a lasting impression.

Recently a friend of mine was invited for an interview, and even though he was excited about the opportunity, he had concerns over the amount time to discuss his background and skills. The 30-minute time slot seemed to create more angst for him than a half-day of interviews.

We discussed a new strategy he could use to help him focus on the questions being asked rather than the clock ticking behind him. The pressure he was feeling was getting him off-focus. Instead of ramping up his answers he was worried about trying to cram his whole career history into 30 minutes.

He is not alone in admitting the same dilemma that other candidates face – "How do you make a good impression in 30 minutes or less?" The biggest mistake job candidates make during short, structured interviews is failing to prepare and overwhelming the interviewer(s) with too many details.

Here are some tips we discussed that could help you feel less anxious and more confident the next time you are invited for a 30-minute interview.

- Answer questions in terms of broad strokes, overarching contributions that lend credibility to your skills. Stay away from getting too involved with details. When every accomplishment is explained word-by-word you run the risk of losing the interviewer's attention and the momentum.
- Break your career into themes, look for the common problems you solved throughout your career. Identify the skills you used and make sure they relate to the job description.
- List your accomplishments on a sheet of paper and use the job position as a guide to address the employer's needs. Since you only have 30-minutes each answer counts.
- Listen to the questions asked. If you aren't sure you understand, ask for clarification before answering. Mistakes happen when candidates ramble.
- Highlight your contributions. It's better to leave the interviewer(s) with a handful of significant skills than to overwhelm them with everything you can do.
- Prepare and practice with your introduction. Don't memorize it, just be comfortable in talking about your background with the emphasis on matching the skills/requirements the employer is looking for.
- Know why you want the job and what interests you in working for the employer.
- Have at least three or four questions to ask that pertain to the job and employer's needs. Time is valuable and the questions you ask need to send a perception that you have researched the company and are interested in contributing.
- Take some deep breaths before the interview and smile. Non-verbal language always speaks louder than words. Even if your interview is over the phone, people can sense smiling versus being uptight and anxious. Your goal is to make yourself distinguishable from other candidates by having clear answers that convey you are the right candidate for the job. Always inquire about the next steps.

How do you prepare for 30-minute interviews? What have you learned from your past/recent experiences?

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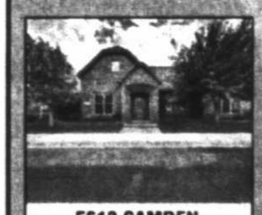
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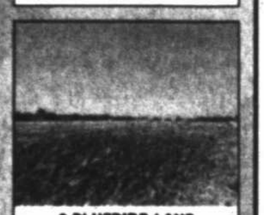
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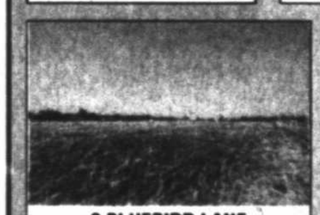
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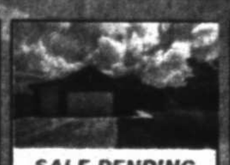
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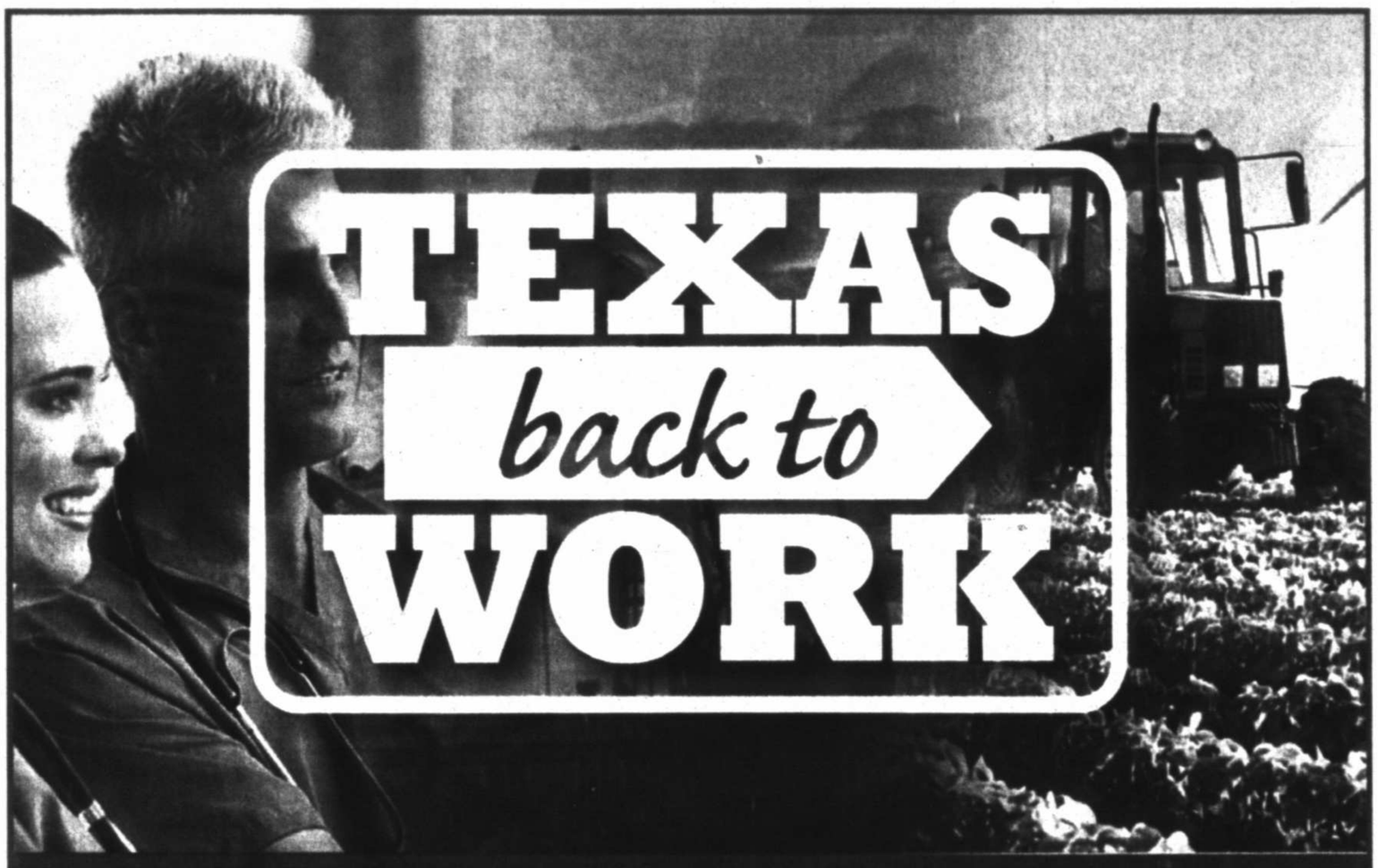
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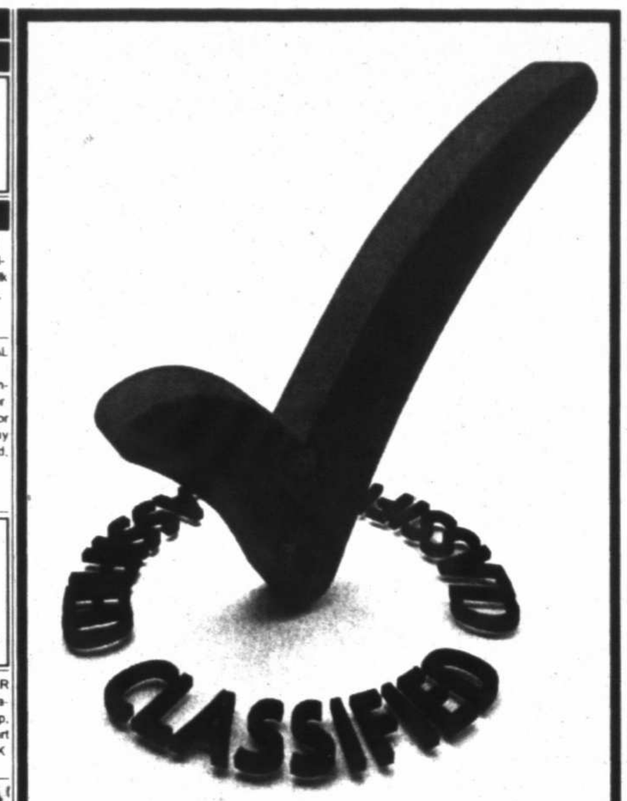
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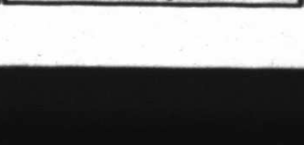
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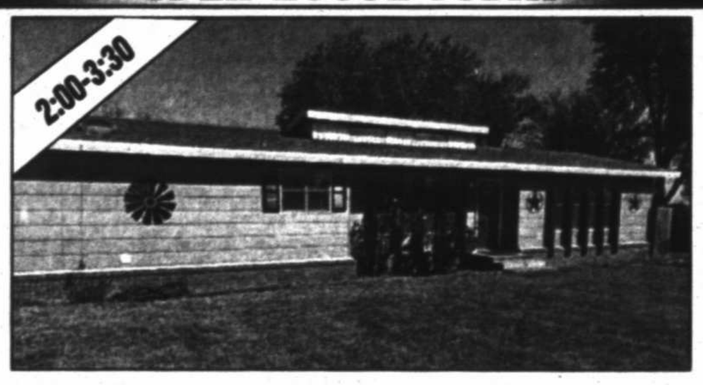
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RESIDENTIAL LISTINGS/HOME SITES/ACREAGE

RESIDENTIAL

3608 Imperial Ave	4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	SOLD
600 Duke Ave	Odessa/3Bdrm/2Ba	U/C
3301 Stewart Ave	3Bdrm/2Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
2905 Sand Hill Circle	3Bdrm/2Ba/2Car Garage	U/C
1704 English Drive	3 Bdrm/ 2 Ba	$269,900
2307 Durant Drive	3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	$319,900
1908 Frisgmwood Drive	4 Bdrm/ 3 Ba/ 3 Car Garage	U/C
2109 Haynes Dr	3Bdrm/2Ba/2Car Garage	SOLD
2511 Colonial Oaks Court	4 Bdrm/4.5 Ba/4 Car Garage	$775,000
9417 Secretariat Street	5 Bdrm/4 Ba/4 Car Garage	$1,375,000

NEW CONSTRUCTION

9113 Transwood Dr	Black Brush Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	SOLD
1203 Rhett Dr	Midland Gallery Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
5207 Balfour Ct	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
5303 George Yard Ct	Ashingdon Homes/3 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	SOLD
7311 E. Co. Rd. 113	Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/4 Ba/3 Car Garage	$750,500

SUBURBAN/ACREAGE

12644 E. Goldenrod	Gardendale/Beautiful 14 Acre Home Site	U/C
2000 S. Co. Rd. 1089	6.679 Acres	$80,000
2372 Co. Rd. 3631	Stanton/3Bdrm/2Ba	$143,500
14021 N. Loyola	Gardendale/4 Bdrm/2 Ba	U/C
7005 E. Co. Rd. 90	Greenwood/4Bdrm/3Ba	$259,900
7000 S. Co. Rd 1105	3Bdrm/3Ba/2 Car Garage	$329,000
426 E. Co. Rd 139	2Bdrm/2Ba/4 Car Garage	$349,000
12215 E. Co. Rd. 101	Greenwood/4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$540,000
Co.Rd. 190	160 Acres	$800,000
10715 FM 307	Greenwood/4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	$695,000
10 FM 307	12.17 Acres	$695,000

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

110 E 29th St	Odessa/7420 Sq.Ft/3 Unit Strip	$695,000
302 S. Marienfeld	11,880 Sq. Ft.	$750,000
3400 Thomason Dr	6,512 Sq. Ft./2 Buildings	$1,000,000

OUT OF TOWN PROPERTIES

Lot 22 C 2380	Stanton/1.16 Acres	$66,500
Lot 23 C 2380	Stanton/1.16 Acres	$66,500
Lot 24 C 2380	Stanton/1.16 Acres	$66,500
Lot 25 C 2380	Stanton/1.16 Acres	$66,500
Tract C E. Co. Rd. 3501	Stanton/8.75 Acres	$84,000
Tract 5 E. Co. Rd. B 3501	Stanton/8.75 Acres	$87,500
4112 LCR 254	Colorado City Lake/3Bdrm/3Ba/1Car Garage	$145,000
Tract 1 E. Co. Rd. B 3501	Stanton/74.76 Acres	$149,500
0 Co. Rd. B 4101	Stanton/322 Acres	$800,000
Co. Rd. A 4301	Ackerly/320 Acres	$1,280,000
I-20 Service Rd	Stanton/66.26 Acres	$1,300,000
0 FM 3501	Lamesa/531 Acres	$2,650,000

FEATURED PROPERTIES



12215 E. CO. RD. 101
Greenwood/ 4Bdrm/2.5 Ba/ 0 Car Garage, Priced @ $540,000



2511 COLONIAL OAKS COURT
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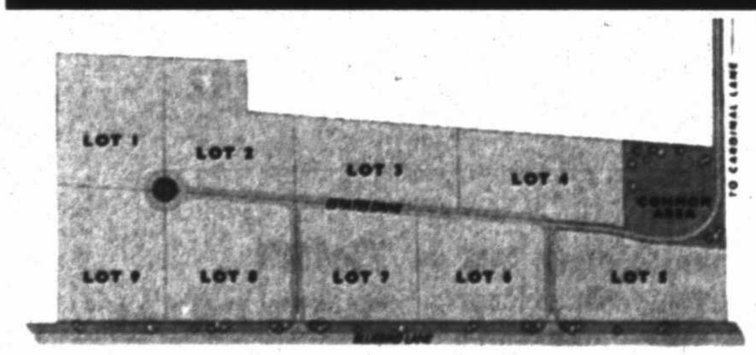
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6345 PRAIRIE RIDGE....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... $735,000

3917 FAIRWOOD COURT....Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50014785 ..... SALE PENDING

218 WINDRIDGE CIRCLE....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS 50016318A $679,000

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2402 BELLECHASSE CT....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... SALE PENDING

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9708- A FM 307....Sandy Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50017805 ..... SALE PENDING

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7208 E. CO. RD. 113....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #R50016064A ..... SALE PENDING

2108 SCR 1118..Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ..... MLS #5017702 ..... SALE PENDING

9706 FM 307, GREENWOOD....Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50016993 ..... 31 Acres & 2 Houses/$650,000

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2707 MARIE DR....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50018018 ..... SALE PENDING

5701 S. CO. RD. 1295....Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ..... MLS #S50017078 ..... $450,000

12290 E. CO. RD. 89, GREENWOOD....Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50016831 ..... $445,900

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9706 FM 307....Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50016099 ..... 31 Acres & 2 Houses/$650,000

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9706 FM 307, GREENWOOD....Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50016993 ..... 17+ Acres/$599,000

9708 FM 307....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50005743 ..... $438,500

4220 BLACKBIRD DR....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #R50017998 ..... $375,000

4221 BLACKBIRD DR....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50017910 ..... $375,000

4211 BLACKBIRD DR....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50017911 ..... $375,000

4100 BLACKBIRD DR....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #R50018001 ..... $350,000

4000 BLACKBIRD DR....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #R50018002 ..... $350,000

4011 BLACKBIRD DR....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #R50018003 ..... $350,000

4115 BLACKBIRD DR....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #R50018004 ..... $350,000

4210 BLACKBIRD DR....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #R50018000 ..... $325,000

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1010 SCR 1086....Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50017685 ..... $77,900

1008 SCR 1086....Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50017686 ..... $77,900

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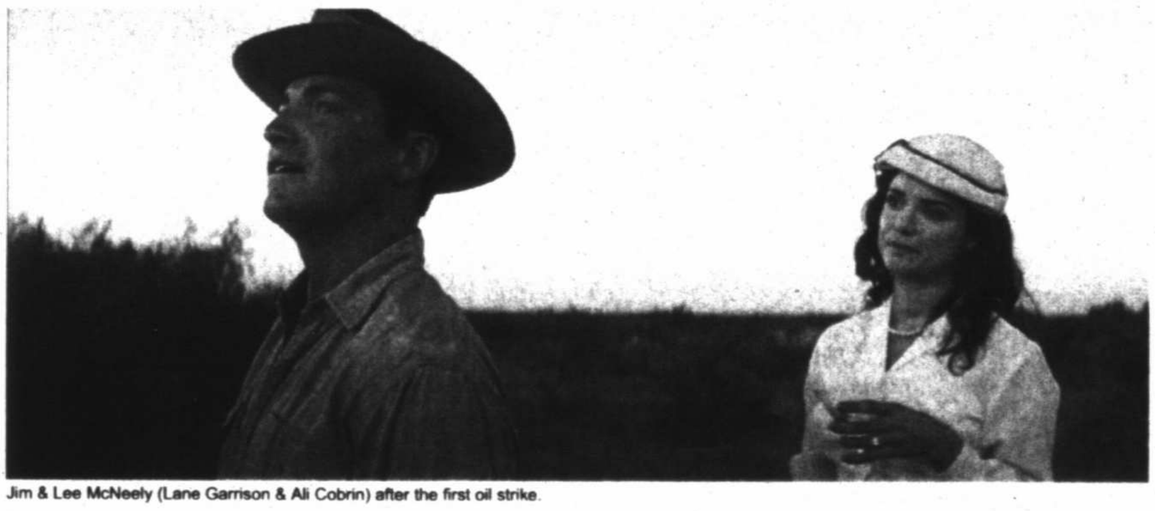
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Left to right, Lane Garrison, Ali Cobrin, Lew Temple and Austin Nichols celebrate another hit.

'The Iron Orchard' to be released in February

■ Film about energy industry will open in Dallas-Fort Worth, Midland-Odessa

From staff reports



Jim & Lee McNeely (Lane Garrison & Ali Cobrin) after the first oil strike.

With a focus on Texas before expanding to national markets, Santa Rita Film Co. announced in late November that native Midlander Ty Roberts' film "The Iron Orchard" will open in theaters starting on Feb. 22 with exclusive engagements in the Dallas-Fort Worth and Midland-Odessa areas. The drama about ambitious oil magnate Jim McNeely, based on Tom Pendleton's 1966 novel of the same name, will then open March 1 in New York, Los Angeles and additional markets across Texas.

"Iron Orchard," starring Lane Garrison, Ali Cobrin and Austin Nichols, will be the first official production and theatrical release from Santa Rita. The film company plans to release at least five titles a year by 2020, according to a press release.

"In the spirit of 'The Last Picture Show' and 'Giant,' I'm excited to bring a piece of mythic Texas to the big screen," Roberts said in a press release. "'The Iron Orchard' is not only a love letter to West Texas but a cautionary tale about ambition and enterprise which feels as pertinent today as it was in post-WWII America."

"Iron Orchard" is the story of Jim McNeely (Lane Garrison), a driller in post-Depression West Texas who longs to conquer the "brave new world of influence and wealth," according to the release.

During shooting, the cast and crew stayed at the Hotel Settles in Big Spring. Some scenes were shot at and near the Petroleum Museum.

"Doing a period film was an exciting and challenging experience," producer and native Midlander Van Scott Folger told the Reporter-Telegram last year during filming. "The locations in the scripts were only here. We don't think it could have been done anywhere else. And the Settles' art deco was perfect for the time."

The distributor plans to focus on the film's target audience in Texas before going to wider national markets.

"Starting in Texas, where the oil business is built into the fabric of almost every community there, just makes the most sense for us," producer Houston Hill said in the release.

"Our goal is to follow the successful model created by faith-based films but instead of churches, we're focusing on the support from the other religion in Texas: petroleum companies."

Executive producer Greg McCabe is excited to see Pendleton's novel brought to the big screen.

"The Texas oil community has been waiting a long time for this iconic book to make its way to the big screen," he said in the release. "I couldn't pass up an opportunity to work with a passionate filmmaker like Ty Roberts, who did an absolute superb job of capturing on film the heartache and the exhilaration of our industry."

Car parts Christmas tree in downtown Dallas grabs attention

By Elvia Limón
The Dallas Morning News

Richard Todd first saw the Pegasus Plaza Christmas tree when he was visiting downtown Dallas in late 2017.

The tree caught his eye because rather than having traditional round Christmas ornaments, it was adorned with a red vintage car-themed bumper, a few fenders and a handful of car lights. He took a few photos of the vintage car-themed tree and uploaded them to his social media accounts, he said.

"I posted it to Facebook, and someone asked me how many different cars were involved," he said. "I spent about an hour trying to dig that info up, but I was never able to find that out."

Since he couldn't find any information online about the tree, Todd decided to ask Curious Texas: How many tails, fins and grills are in the red junkyard car tree in Pegasus Plaza?

The car tree was designed by Lonnie Hanzon, a Denver-based artist, as a holiday window display for Neiman Marcus in 2003. Hanzon said he was commissioned to create the tree by Ignaz Gorischek, the former vice president of store development for the Dallas-based luxury retailer.

"He was the mastermind behind all of the wonderful visuals you use to see at Neiman," Hanzon said about Gorischek

After taking on the project, Hanzon said he began scouting for the tree's car parts at a nearby junkyard in Denver. He would put on his boots and other protective gear and mark each part he liked by spray painting "Lonnie" on it for a welder to take apart.

He also bought some parts from some vintage car owners, although not everyone was supportive of his project.

"There were some car collectors who weren't very happy," Hanzon said of the tree, laughing. "There were some people who refused to sell me parts when they found out what it was for."

But Hanzon said he doesn't really know the exact number of each car part he used to create the Christmas tree. The parts were taken from one to two dozen cars made between 1949 and 1962, he said. Some of the lights are also from a vintage school bus he found in the junkyard.

The fins are from Cadillacs, Chevrolet Bel Airs and Impalas. The tree weighs several thousand pounds, was originally 16 feet tall with car parts painted in five different shades of red, he said.

Hanzon said it was also difficult to keep track of the pieces, because just when he thought he had completed the project, Gorischek would suggest adding more items to the tree.

"He was quite the task master," he said, laughing. "Whenever you thought you were finished, he would walk in and go, 'yeah, that's really beautiful, but wouldn't it be more beautiful if you added 45 more hubcaps by tomorrow?'

"And I would say, 'OK, yeah.'"

Hanzon said Neiman Marcus liked the tree so much they kept it in storage for several years.

Neiman Marcus donated the tree to the economic development group Downtown Dallas Inc., and it debuted at Pegasus Plaza in Christmas 2012, said Matt Thomas, the group's spokesman.

Thomas said via email Gorischek was inspired to commission the tree after being mesmerized by the "beautiful glow the various brake lights created" while sitting in traffic on rainy evenings on his way home.

When the tree was donated to Downtown Dallas, Hanzon helped restore it at the plaza. The tree was placed on a large base, which increased its height to 23 feet, to prevent people from climbing it, Hanzon said.

He said he hasn't seen the tree in roughly six years, but he's happy it's become part of Dallas' holiday scene.

"I'm glad the car tree continues on," Hanzon said.

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Shaban Athuman/Dallas Morning News/TNS

The car Christmas tree as seen at Pegasus Plaza in Dallas on Nov. 29. The tree originally was commissioned by Neiman Marcus in the early 2000s. It was used in a window display for a year and placed into storage. The tree was donated by Neiman to Downtown Dallas Inc. in 2012 and has been displayed at the plaza since.

OUT&ABOUT

by Julie Donnelly





MIDLANDERS TROT FOR BENEFIT OF MCGW

Midland families were up and running Thanksgiving morning for the seventh annual Midland County Greater Works Turkey Trot. The theme of the race was "Have Fun and Feed Someone." Runners gathered at Memorial Stadium before the run began and some had their pictures taken with Tom the Turkey.

Participants ran a 10K or a 5K, and kids ran the Fun Run for free with a canned food donation. After departing from the stadium and running through the nearby residential neighborhood, those crossing the finish line were greeted with water, hot chocolate, Gatorade, fruit and granola bars. MCGW feeds more than 250 local families every month, according to its website.

TURKEY TROT

Crystal Doerr, from left, Madi Leach, Patricia Catlett, Whitney Hill and Bria Shoemaker



TURKEY TROT

Blakely Gonzales, from left, Mark Gonzales, Braden Gonzales and Dana Gonzales



TURKEY TROT

David and Emily Martin



TURKEY TROT

Rick Padgett, from left, Stephanie Reid, Tyler Reid, Lily Zhang, Matt Padgett and Tucker Reid, front



TURKEY TROT

Dal Watson, back row from left, Will Watson, Melanie Julian, Connie Watson, McKaleigh Watson, Zane Waton and Landry Watson; and Nolan Watson, front row left, and Lucy Watson



TURKEY TROT

Patrick Dietzel, from left, Todd Richardson, Jaime Anguila and Lauren Dietzel



COTERIE CLUB

Preston Grambling, back row from left, Scott Stephens and Dustin Petraitis; and Brittany Grambling, front row from left, Natalie Stephens and Caroline Petraitis



COTERIE CLUB

Joe and Jessica Lindemood

COTERIE CLUB CELEBRATES 72ND ANNIVERSARY

The Coterie Club of Midland recently celebrated its 72nd year with an event at the Petroleum Club. Embellished gold table cloths with fall-flower centerpieces surrounded by votive canles set the tone for the black-tie dance.

Members and their guests dined on a buffet of fried quail with habanero gravy, beef tenderloin, stuffed mushrooms, grilled veggies sprinkled with feta cheese, bacon-wrapped shrimp with jalapenos on a bed of beurre blanc, eggrolls, kahlua-baked brie, shrimp cocktail on ice and a variety of desserts. A make-your-own wedge salad buffet with an optional topping of sliced salmon was also available.

Current Nine provided music for dancing. During the band's first intermission, Breanne and Wes Reeves and Amy and Tyler Yenzer, the couples who are serving as the club's president and vice president, respectively, introduced 80 new members. Completing the organization's board for 2018 are Julie and James Griffis, secretary; Mary and Joseph Baker, treasurer; and Brooke and Spencer Robnett, social chair.



COTERIE CLUB

Debbie and David Byrd, from left, and Kim and Mike Whittenberg



COTERIE CLUB

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Amaryllis bulbs produce long-lasting flowers

CAROL SIDDALL
Permian Basin Master Gardener

One of my favorite flowers around Christmas is the showy amaryllis. Amaryllis bulbs are easy to grow indoors, and they produce impressive, long-lasting flowers. You may find them in nurseries, grocery stores, big box stores, or you can order from mail-order nurseries. They range in color from white to pink, salmon, orange, variegated and the ever-popular red, which are ideal for this Christmas season. These bulbs are tropical in nature and are native to Peru and South Africa.

Horticulturist Neil Sperry recommends buying top-quality bulbs. Most will come pre-potted, but if they don't and potting material is not enclosed, use loose, organic potting soil.

One-third of the bulb should extend out of the soil. You will need to water the soil thoroughly. If the bulb is near a window, it may need to be turned a quarter every day. Keep the soil moist, but not wet.

When the flower finishes blooming, cut the stalk to within 1 inch from the top of the bulb. I have seen them make seeds if the stalk is not cut back.

The food source needs to stay in the foliage to help form next year's flower buds. Continue to water and feed the plant regularly with a liquid houseplant fertilizer. They will grow many leaves during the spring and summer. This will help the plant produce energy for the following year's bloom.

If you have set your plant outdoors after all danger of frost is gone, you will need to fertilize your plant once or twice a month through July. Bring your plant indoors in mid-September. Plants left indoors should be kept in a sunny window. To bloom again, the bulbs must be exposed to temperatures of 50 to 55 degrees for a minimum of eight to 10 weeks.

I usually plant my bulb outside in a flower bed after all danger of frost is gone. They may not bloom the first year, but the following spring they will be a showy flower in your garden. They will die back when it freezes but come back in the spring for several years.

For 'weedless gardening' next spring, begin now

LEE REICH
Associated Press

I take a four-pronged approach to keeping my vegetable and flower gardens free of weed problems, and suggest you try it.

First, keep dormant weed seeds asleep by not tilling or otherwise churning the soil. (All soils contain many weed seeds that lie dormant until they are exposed to light, which happens when soils are tilled.)

Second, avoid soil compaction by using beds and paths, or stepping stones, to make permanent areas for planting and for walking.

Third, lay down a thin, weed-free, organic mulch to snuff out weeds that wind or birds carry into your garden.

And fourth, wherever regular watering is needed, use drip irrigation so that weeds are not encouraged in paths or between widely spaced plants.

Of course, the "weedless" garden that results is not totally maintenance-free. What fun would a garden be, anyway, with nothing to do in it? So some maintenance is required, and now is a good time to begin.

Apply organic fertilizer now

Perhaps your garden will need fertilizer in spring. Apply an organic fertilizer such as soybean meal now and it won't wash away. In contrast to most "chemical" fertilizers, which can leach away as they wash down through the soil, organic fertilizers remain in place until spring's warmth and moisture start their decomposition and release of nutrients. This works out nicely because this same warmth and moisture also get plants growing — and hungry — in spring.

Most gardening books tell you to dig or at least scratch fertilizer into the soil. Forget about it: Do as Mother Nature does and sprinkle it on the surface of the soil. Water and time will work it down.

More mulch

The next thing to do for your weedless garden is to replenish mulches. The inch of compost with which I blanket planting beds in my vegetable garden quells weeds at the same time it fertilizes my garden, so I apply it yearly.

Wood chips in the paths are there only to quell weeds, so I replenish them only as needed to keep bare soil from peeking through.

The same holds true for the leaf mold or wood chip mulch on my flowerbeds.

Clean up

Now is also a good time to thoroughly clean up spent garden plants. I minimize soil disruption in removing such plants as old marigolds and cabbages by giving each plant a quick twist, leaving me with stems, leaves and coarse roots in hand. The fine roots remain in the soil to decompose and naturally break it up.

To clean up more robust plants such as corn or cosmos without discombobulating the soil, I cut straight down with a garden knife all around them, give a quick twist, and out they come.

And . . . Weed

My final bit of autumnal maintenance is — dare I say it? — weeding. I remove larger weeds in the same way that I remove larger vegetable or flower plants, yanking them out after severing the larger roots with a twist or a knife. I might take a hoe, one with a sharp blade that runs parallel to and just a hair below the ground, to do in colonies of small weeds. Or I might drop to my knees and rip back clumps of ground ivy trying to creep in from the garden's edges.

There. The garden is right and ready for spring. Charles Dudley Warner suggested in his 1870 classic "My Summer in the Garden" that we put "the garden in complete order before the snow comes, so that its last days shall not present a scene of melancholy ruin and decay." Besides the garden looking nice with few weed problems, there'll be no delays to spring planting.



Shannon Tompkins/ Houston Chronicle

A largemouth bass is caught.

Largemouth bass is goal for many fishermen

MICHAEL PRICE
Wild About Texas



Fishing is a huge industry, not only here in Texas, but nationwide. Some people are interested in sport-fishing, while others may just be casual participants engaged in a hobby. And of course, everyone has his or her own personal favorites that are just as varied as the fishermen themselves. But there is one thing that the average fisherman and the resolute fisherman will agree upon: the thrill of "hooking" the largest member of the bass family, the largemouth bass.

The largemouth bass (*Micropterus salmoides*) is one of four species of the genus found in Texas and is by far the one with the largest distribution. It is a moderate to large-sized species of freshwater fish that occurs in just about every lake, pond, creek and river in the state. It has been introduced in many areas of the western United States and Canada, as well as regions on the opposite side of the planet.

This practice is becoming increasingly frowned upon, however, because of the negative impacts that these introductions have on the native fish.

This commonly seen member of the black bass and sunfish family can be mellifluously attractive in coloration. Most specimens are two-toned; in the upper area, known as the dorsal region, it is olive to dark green with numerous murky blotches, while the lower area, known as the lateral region, tends to be lighter. These two areas are usually separated by a black stripe that may or may not be complete. Some adult specimens don't have a stripe, and the entire side may be completely uniform olive to olive green. As the common name implies, its most distinguishing morphological characteristic is the large mouth, which actually extends behind the edge of the eyes.

Built like other members of this genus, the largemouth bass is substantially larger than its closest relatives. Adults may reach up to 38 inches in total length, although most average about a foot or so. The world-record specimen was just over 22 pounds. Juveniles have a more streamlined outline and begin their aquatic life at one-eighth of an inch in length.

Largemouth bass are extremely opportunistic carnivores, feeding on a variety of small invertebrate as well as vertebrate prey. Smaller specimens obviously prefer to feed on smaller items such as microscopic organisms such as water fleas, while the adults will not hesitate to feed on much larger prey such as smaller fish, frogs, aquatic snakes and turtles. Some adults have been known to feed upon waterfowl, small mammals and even baby alligators.

The adult largemouth bass is typically the apex predator of the freshwater habitat in which it occurs. It is a swift hunter and relies on a suction style of acquiring its food. It will rapidly suck up a large amount of water, and in doing so, its prey will be pulled in. The water goes harmlessly through the gills, while the prey item will be swallowed and digested.

The species of fish is acutely sought after by both professional and amateur fishermen, primarily because of its propensity of leaping vigorously out of the water once hooked. The notion of "catch-and-release" has become quite popular, and this species appears to thrive even after such an encounter.

BRIDGERESULTS

Permian Bridge Club

Nov. 19
Dorothy Brenneman-Linda Buzan/Lonnie Yee-Linda Scarpelli/Sonja Hopkins-Kay Sewell

Nov. 20
Kawther Romanos-Marlene Blumentritt/Ann Servatius-Patti Heard/Paula Bayley-Brenda Brauner

Nov. 25
Romanos-Heard/Kay Arellano-Marlene Blumentritt/Debbie Conly-K.C. Evans/Yee-Scarpelli

Nov. 26
Charles Grimes-Servatius/Brenneman-Sonya Hopkins/Betty Moore-Linda Buzan

Nov. 27
Heard-Kay Arrell/Ann Parish-Buzan/Tommie Strack-Servatius

Nov. 28
Servatius-Grimes/Flo Curry-Blumentritt/Bill Brooks-Buzan/Sewell-Greg Keys

Nov. 29
Jimmie Jensen-Belle Harris/Brenneman-Paula Baggett/Georgia Temple-Marilyn Higgins/Hopkins-Buzan

Nov. 30
Conly-Kathryn Evans/Curry-Blumentritt/Jim Hawkins-Betty Dickerson/Strack-Heard

Dec. 2
Conly-Evans/Curry-Blumentritt/Shyla McGill-Shirley Davenport

Cohen Bridge

With Bob Jones

Psychic bids

North-South vulnerable. South's deals.

NORTH
♠ A K 8 6 5
♡ A K 10 2
♢ 9
♣ 8 6 5

WEST
♠ J 10 2
♡ 9 5
♢ Q 10 8 7 6 4 2
♣ Q 9

EAST
♠ Q 3
♡ 8 4 3
♢ K J 8
♣ J 7 4 3 2

SOUTH
♠ 9 7 4
♡ Q J 7 6
♢ A 5 3
♣ A K 10

The bidding				
SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST	
1♡	Pass	4♡*	Pass	
4♠	Pass	6♠	Pass	
6NT	Pass	7♡	Pass	
7NT	Pass	8♡	All pass	

*Splinter bid, game-forcing heart raise with shortness in diamonds

Opening lead: Six of ♢

A psychic bid is one that grossly distorts the strength or distribution of your hand. Its intent is purely deceptive and runs the risk of deceiving partner as well as the opponents. We never make a psychic bid because it always makes someone at the table angry — your opponents when it works or your partner when it doesn't. Why make a bid that is sure to make someone angry?

Today's deal is from a tournament in England, where opening the bidding with a four-card major is far more common than in the USA. West threw in a psychic one-spade overcall, which didn't disturb North-South very much as they bid to their best contract. In fact, the bid might have kept North-South out of a spade contract, where only 11 tricks are available.

South won the opening diamond lead with the ace and drew three rounds of trumps, ending in the dummy. He then led a low spade from the dummy. This was the technically correct play, as it would allow him to take four spade tricks even if West held Q♠10x, or all five of them. He did overcall in spades, didn't he? Had East followed with his low spade, there might have been a great story to tell about how he scored his doubleton queen on the second round of the suit. Luckily for South, East rose with his queen and the slam sailed home. At least no one was angry.

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Nonstick pans will be ruined if put in dishwasher

Dear Heloise: My son put three of my nonstick pans in the dishwasher three or four times while my husband and I were on a cruise. Needless to say, they're ruined! Can these pans be re-coated to make them nonstick pans again? -- Susan M., Jonesboro, Ark.

Susan, I checked with a few manufacturers, who said placing a nonstick pan in the dishwasher is a "no-no."

Once you do that (especially if you do it more than a couple of times), the pan is ruined and cannot be re-coated again. Nonstick pans need to be washed by hand with a gentle soap and a soft sponge. Don't use abrasive or caustic cleaners. -- Heloise

Crack open a bottle

Dear Heloise: One of my favorite hints is very simple: When trying to open a bottle that's hard to open, I use a nutcracker to grip the cap and twist it off. Most grocery stores sell metal nutcrackers. — Shirley L., Locust Grove, Va.

Hints from Heloise



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Baked Italian chicken

Dear Heloise: Please reprint your recipe for baked Italian chicken. My husband had this recipe before we married last year, but now he can't find it. I want to surprise him on his birthday by making this dish. — Carmela E., Wolcott, Conn.

Carmela, this is an easy and tasty recipe for any occasion:

Baked Italian Chicken

- 1 chicken, cut up or equivalent in parts
- 1 (8-ounce) bottle nonfat (or regular) Italian salad dressing
- 1 medium onion, peeled and sliced
- 4 medium potatoes, sliced (peeled or not) into bite-size pieces

Preheat the oven to 350 F. Spray a casserole dish with nonstick spray. Place the chicken in the dish and cover with Italian dressing. Top with onions and potatoes. Bake for about 1 hour or until done.

If you like this easy dish, you can enjoy more tasty and simple recipes in my pamphlet Heloise's All-Time Favorite Recipes. Order it online at Heloise.com.

FYI: Too often, new cooks are afraid to adjust recipes. Playing with the recipe often yields something better than the original, so be creative! — Heloise

Crushed fruit

Dear Heloise: I discovered that when I buy soft fruit (such as berries or fresh peaches), if I put it in a plastic bag and trap as much air in the bag as possible before closing it, I can cushion the fruit to prevent it from being damaged. — Georgia J., Casselberry, Fla.

Refrigerate or not?

Dear Heloise: I was recently married, and in the household I came from, we always refrigerated ketchup after it was opened. My new husband came from a household where they didn't like anything cold, so they did not refrigerate ketchup. So, my question is: Should we refrigerate ketchup or not? — Stella V., Napa, Calif.

Stella, all ketchup and mustard should be refrigerated after opening to retain flavor and freshness. — Heloise

Soft and sweet

Dear Heloise: When I buy a new bag of brown sugar, I need to place the sugar in a glass jar. After that, I put half a slice of bread in there with the sugar and put the lid on the jar.

Even when the bread dries out, it still keeps the brown sugar soft and easy to use. — Colette W., Sedalia, Mo.

Wedding kept under wraps may come to light during divorce

DEAR ABBY: I'm hoping you can help me with this situation. I have been married for 13 years but never told my family that I got married. I now want to divorce my husband, but I don't know how to approach it because he holds it over my head. Please help. I have fallen in love with someone else, and I need to divorce my current husband and move on, but I don't know how to tell my family. — STUCK IN THE MIDWEST

DEAR STUCK: Obviously, you and your family aren't close. What is he holding over your head? The fact that you were married? Your family can't miss something they have never had — in this instance, a relationship with the spouse you hid from them. So although they may be disappointed that you withheld the information, don't expect them to grieve his "loss."

You didn't mention how long you've been involved with this other man, but you should not rush into another marriage. Perhaps this mess will teach you how important it is to live openly and honestly and not sweep things — like a husband — under the rug.

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: Crazy question, but a serious one. Christmas is coming, so please answer quickly. When carolers come to the door, what's the polite response to them? Where we live it's usually bitter cold and snowy. Do you stand out there on your porch, just keep the door ajar, invite them inside, serve them hot chocolate, coffee?

I've been ill at ease for years, and although it's a tradition that seems to be falling by the wayside, I'd like to know what you should say about it. Thank you so much. I enjoy reading your column. — MARCIA IN EASTERN WASHINGTON

DEAR MARCIA: All you need to do is give the carolers a heartfelt thank you for their efforts. While one might be tempted to offer them a hot beverage — coffee or tea — a milky drink is not good for a performer's throat, and it also might cause them to have to make frequent pit stops on their route, which would be counterproductive.

DEAR ABBY: Recently a family member, an ex-sister-in-law, sent out invitations on Facebook for her retirement party. A week after everyone had accepted, she posted that to attend, guests would have to buy a ticket for $50. I find this very tacky.

It's not so much the $50, but the way it was presented. This woman was a professional with a great job. She has a large home and drives a luxury car. When I asked other family members and friends how they felt, for the most part they agreed with me. Needless to say, I will not be going. What do you think? — APPALLED OUT WEST

DEAR APPALLED: I think that, under the circumstances, you should inform your former sister-in-law that since you received the invitation your plans have changed, so you will be unable to attend after all. And when you do, don't forget to wish her well in her retirement.



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This undated photo provided by America's Test Kitchen in November shows classic chicken noodle soup.

For a classic rendition of chicken soup, go for the thighs

By America's Test Kitchen

This classic rendition of chicken soup starts the old-fashioned way, by making a from-scratch broth. But instead of using a whole chicken we turned to meaty chicken thighs, which kept things easier; they also added intense, meaty flavor to the broth.

To cut down on greasiness, we removed the skin after browning and before letting the thighs simmer along with the chopped and sauteed onion and bay leaves. Since most people prefer white meat in their chicken soup, we simply poached two boneless, skinless chicken breasts in the simmering broth, removing them when tender to add to the soup at the end.

With the broth and the meat taken care of, we turned our attention to the soup with an eye toward keeping things simple and traditional. Onion, carrot, and celery and some fresh thyme fit the bill. As for the noodles, cooking them right in the broth intensified their flavor.

Note that the thighs are used to flavor the broth, but once the broth is strained, the meat can be shredded and used for chicken salad or a pot pie. If you prefer dark meat in your soup, you can omit the chicken breasts and add the shredded thigh meat to the soup instead.

America's Test Kitchen provided this article to The Associated Press.

Classic Chicken Noodle Soup

Servings: 8-10
Start to finish: 1 hour
Broth:
- 4 pounds bone-in, skin-on chicken thighs, trimmed
- Salt and pepper
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1 onion, chopped
- 12 cups water
- 2 bay leaves
- 1 pound boneless, skinless chicken breasts, trimmed

Soup:
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1 onion, chopped fine
- 1 carrot, peeled and sliced thin
- 1 celery rib, halved lengthwise and sliced thin
- 2 teaspoons minced fresh thyme
- 6 ounces wide egg noodles
- 1/4 cup minced fresh parsley
- Salt and pepper

For the broth Pat thighs dry with paper towels and season with salt and pepper. Heat oil in Dutch oven over medium-high heat until smoking. Cook half of thighs skin side down until deep golden brown, about 6 minutes. Turn thighs and lightly brown second side, about 2 minutes. Transfer to strainer set in large bowl. Repeat with remaining thighs and transfer to strainer; discard fat in bowl. Pour off fat from pot, add onion, and cook over medium heat until just softened, about 3 minutes. Meanwhile, remove and discard skin from thighs. Add thighs, water, bay leaves, and 1 tablespoon salt to pot. Cover and simmer for 30 minutes. Add chicken breasts and continue simmering until broth is rich and flavorful, about 15 minutes.

Strain broth into large container, let stand for at least 10 minutes, then remove fat from surface. Meanwhile, transfer chicken to cutting board to cool. Once cooled, remove thigh meat from bones, shred, and reserve for another use (can refrigerate for up to 2 days or freeze for up to 1 month). Shred breast meat and reserve for soup.

For the soup: Heat oil in now-empty Dutch oven over medium-high heat until shimmering. Add onion, carrot, and celery and cook until onion has softened, 3 to 4 minutes. Stir in thyme and broth and simmer until vegetables are tender, about 15 minutes. Add noodles and shredded breast meat and simmer until noodles are just tender, about 5 minutes. Off heat, stir in parsley and season with salt and pepper. Serve.

Nutrition information per serving: 170 calories; 68 calories from fat; 8 g fat (2 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 29 mg cholesterol; 234 mg sodium; 18 g carbohydrate; 1 g fiber; 2 g sugar; 6 g protein.

Make a sweet bread that requires you eat it with your hands

By America's Test Kitchen

Monkey bread is a knotty-looking loaf of sweet bread made from balls of dough coated with cinnamon, sugar and melted butter. It's traditionally served warm so that the sticky baked pieces can be pulled apart. The name "monkey" refers to how you eat this sweet treat with your hands. Follow this recipe with your kids.

For more recipes, cooking tips and ingredient and product reviews, visit https://www.americastestkitchen.com. Find more recipes like Monkey Bread in "The Complete Cookbook for Young Chefs."

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This undated photo provided by America's Test Kitchen in November shows monkey bread in Boston.

Monkey Bread

Servings: 8
Start to finish: 2 to 3 hours (Active time: 10 minutes)
Prepare Ingredients:
- 1/2 cup packed light brown sugar
- 1 1/2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- 1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 6 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted and cooled
- Vegetable oil spray
- 1 pound pizza dough, room temperature
- 1/3 cup confectioners' sugar
- 2 teaspoons milk

Gather Cooking Equipment:
- 3 small bowls
- 8-inch round cake pan
- Ruler
- Kitchen shears
- Plastic wrap
- Oven mitts
- Cooling rack
- Large plate
- Spoon

Start Cooking!

In small bowl, stir together brown sugar, cinnamon, and nutmeg. Place melted butter in second small bowl. Spray 8-inch round cake pan with vegetable oil spray.

Spray counter lightly with vegetable oil spray. Place dough on greased counter and pat into 6-inch square. Use kitchen shears to cut dough into 36 pieces.

Roll each piece of dough into ball. Dip each ball in melted butter to coat, roll in brown sugar mixture, then place in greased pan. Cover bottom of pan with dough balls in single layer.

Cover pan tightly with plastic wrap and leave in warm place until dough balls are puffy and have risen slightly (about 1/2 inch), 1 to 2 hours.

Adjust oven rack to middle position and heat oven to 350 F. Discard plastic. Place pan in oven and bake until top of monkey bread is light golden brown, 20 to 25 minutes.

Use oven mitts to remove monkey bread from oven (ask an adult to help). Place pan on cooling rack and let monkey bread cool for 5 minutes (no longer).

Place large plate on top of pan. Ask an adult to carefully flip out monkey bread onto plate. Remove pan. Let cool for 10 minutes before glazing.

In third small bowl, stir confectioners' sugar and milk until smooth. Use spoon to drizzle glaze over monkey bread. Serve warm.

Nutrition information per serving: 280 calories; 90 calories from fat; 10 g fat (6 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 23 mg cholesterol; 443 mg sodium; 43 g carbohydrate; 1 g fiber; 18 g sugar; 3 g protein.

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Solution to Last Weeks puzzle

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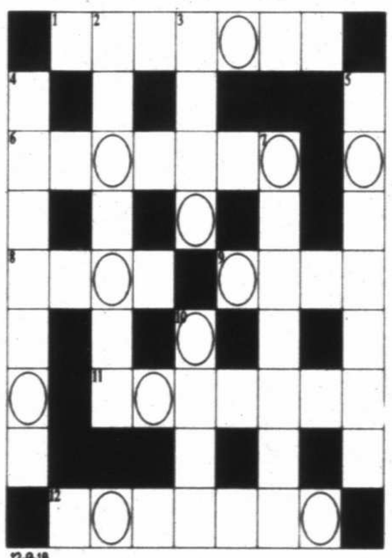
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Sunday Puzzle



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ACROSS

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1. Bloated	LWENSOL
6. Romania neighbor	YURGNHA
8. Small branch	WITG
9. Be in possession of	AHEV
11. Smiled	DENIRGN
12. Be composed of	NIDECUL

DOWN

CLUE	ANSWER
2. Desiring	NAWGINT
3. Let slip, spill the beans	ELKA
4. William ___	HETASRN
5. Buds	FIDSREN
7. Had a yen for	DENRAYE
10. "Good ___ Hunting"	LIWL

BONUS

CLUE: Before achieving stardom, this actor had small roles on "The Mary Tyler Moore Show," "Rhoda" and "The Bob Newhart Show."

How to play

Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

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Answer:

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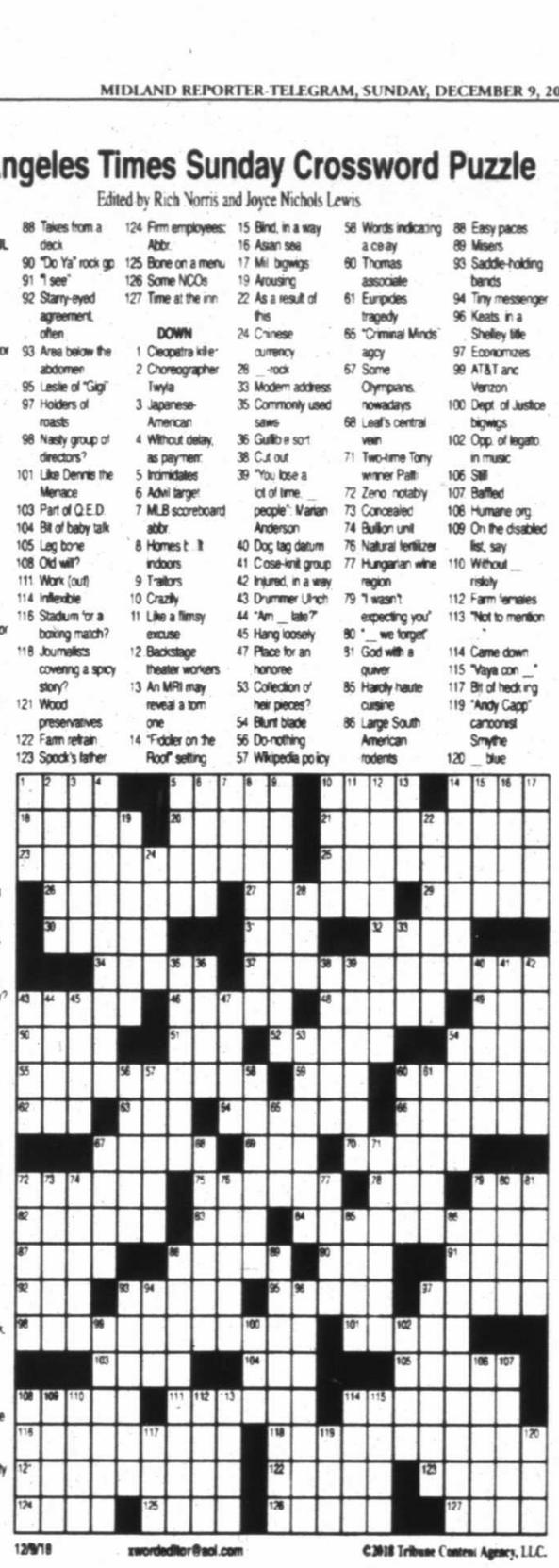
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ACROSS

1 8 for O, e.g.
5 Quibbles
10 "M*A*S*H" actor
14 Like bachelor parties
18 Excel
20 Autumn color
21 Tea party host
23 Pie company exec?
25 Bad brunch review?
26 Find new quarters for
27 Winter 'all
29 Film units
30 Michelangelo masterpiece
31 MSN competitor
32 Cooking fat
34 Guadalajara girls
37 Neighborhood with meat purveyors?
43 Air freshener scent
46 Performed, in Shakespeare
48 How surprise party guests should arrive
49 Banchec
50 Yours, in Tours
51 Doc bloc
52 Keisters
54 "Momo" author Michael
55 ATM code you rotate regularly?
59 FICA benefit
60 Unit in Ohm's Law
62 Costa del _
63 Female antelope
64 Mellow
66 Looked lecherously
67 Suffix meaning "living substance"
69 Not yet on the sched
70 Coast
72 Like many churches
75 Light
78 Adaptable truck, for short
79 "Bravo!"
82 Barbershop parts
83 Batman and the Boy Wonder, e.g.
84 Thief at a fertility clinic?
87 AA and AAA, e.g.
88 Takes from a deck
90 "Do Ya" rock gp.
91 "I see"
92 Starry-eyed agreement, often
93 Area below the abdomen
95 Leslie of "Gigi"
97 Holders of roasts
98 Nasty group of directors?
101 Like Dennis the Menace
103 Part of Q.E.D.
104 Bit of baby talk
105 Leg bone
108 Old will?
111 Work (out)
114 Inflexible
115 Stadium 'or a boxing match?
118 Journalists covering a spicy story?
121 Wood preservatives
122 Farm refrain
123 Spock's father
124 Firm employees: Abbr.
125 Bone on a menu
126 Some NCOs
127 Time at the inn

DOWN

1 Cleopatra killer
2 Choreographer Twyla
3 Japanese-American
4 Without delay, as payment
5 Intimidates
6 Advil target
7 MLB scoreboard abbr.
8 Homes in: It indoors
9 Traitors
10 Crazily
11 Like a flimsy excuse
12 Backstage theater workers
13 An MRI may reveal a torn one
14 "Fiddler on the Roof" setting
15 Blind, in a way
16 Asian sea
17 Mil. bigwigs
19 Arousing
22 As a result of this
24 Chinese currency
28 _-rock
33 Modern address
35 Commonly used saws
36 Guillotine sort
38 Cut out
39 "You lose a lot of time. _ people": Marian Anderson
40 Dog tag datum
41 Close-knit group
42 Injured, in a way
43 Drummer Ulrich
44 "Am _ late?"
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53 Collection of hair pieces?
54 Blunt blade
56 Do-nothing
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61 Euripides tragedy
65 "Criminal Minds" agcy.
67 Some Olympians, nowadays
68 Leaf's central vein
71 Two-time Tony winner Patti
72 Zeno, notably
73 Concealed
74 Bullion unit
76 Natural fertilizer
77 Hungarian wine region
79 "I wasn't expecting you"
80 "_ we forget"
81 God with a quiver
85 Hardly haute cuisine
86 Large South American rodents
88 Easy paces
89 Misers
93 Saddle-holding bands
94 Tiny messenger
96 Keats, in a Shelley title
97 Economizes
99 AT&T and Verizon
100 Dept. of Justice bigwigs
102 Opp. of legato, in music
106 Still
107 Baffled
108 Humane org.
109 On the disabled list, say
110 Without _ risk/ly
112 Farm females
113 "Not to mention"
114 Came down
115 "Vaya con _"
117 Bit of heckling
119 "Andy Capp" cartoonist Smythe
120 _ blue



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3. The Weekly "Brain Breaker"

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WUZZLES

1. Knows it by heart
2. His behavior is out of line
3. Raisin Bran

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	BET	58	-		40		BET Rejokes		Payne	Payne	Payne	Payne	Fresh P.	Fresh P.	Fresh P.	Fresh P.	Fresh P.	Movie
	BRAVO	65	76		41		Below Deck		(:55) Below Deck		(:55) Below Deck		Real Housewives		Real Housewives		Real Wives Dallas	
	CNBC	46	52		39	72	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
	CNN	43	50	51	30	56	New Day Sunday		Inside Politics		State of the Union		Fareed Zakaria GPS		Reliable Sources		State of the Union	
	DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Redfish	Angler's	Fishing	Water	OffGridVanLogCabin		Off Grid Maine		Cliff House		SpearfishCanyon	
	DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Milo Law	DuckTales	BigCity	Gravity	Logo (N)	Blazard.	CoopCami	Raven's.	★★★ Cinderella ('15, Fam) Lily James.			
	ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		Sunday NFL Countdown (L)					
	ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	(5:30) NFL's Greatest		Heisman Trophy		E:60 (N)		Fantasy Football Now (L)					
	FNC	45	48	53	23	55	(5:00) FOX & Friends Sunday						Morning Futures		MediaBuzz		America's News HQ	
	FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Heart	Bob./Da.	Cooking	Holiday	Pioneer	Pioneer	Pioneer	Pioneer	GirlFarm	Holiday	Martina	Barefoot
	FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	Winnie	★★ Deck the Halls Danny de Vito.				Santa Claus		(:25) ★★ Life Size ('00, Fam) Tyra Banks.				Movie
	FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	Paid	Football	Cowboys	Thunder	Paid	Paid	H.S. Scoreboard		XPoints	Texans	Focus. (N)	Xterra (N)
	FX	31	56	59	64	69	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Mother	Mother	Mother	★★ Click ('06, Com) Kate Beckinsale, Adam Sandler.				
	HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	(5:00) Enchanted...		Christmas at Holly Lodge Alison Sweeney.				Christmas at Graceland Wes Brown.				Christmas Next ...	
	HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	FleaFlip	FleaFlip	FleaFlip	FleaFlip	FleaFlip	FleaFlip	Dream H.	Dream H.	Dream H.	Dream H.	Dream H.	Dream H.
	HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Top Gear "One Tank"		Get There	Get There	Counting Cars: Drive		"Quadzilla"				Counting	Counting
	LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	In Touch	Transfor	Amazing	David Jay.	J.Osteen	Paid	All About Christmas Eve Haylie Duff.				Christmas in th...	
	MSNBC	47	53		49	73	News (N)	Business	Up w/David Gura (N)		Up w/David Gura (N)		AM Joy (N)				MSNBC Live (N)	
	NBCSN	38	43				(5:00) Match of Week		Match of the Week				PL Mornings (L)		(:55) EPL Soccer Wol./NEW (L)			
	NICK	55	-	39	34	37	PAW	PAW	P Ranger	TMNT	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	The SpongeBob ...	
	SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Paid Program		Paid	Paid	E. Power	Off-Road	Truck T.	D.Muscle	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
	SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	Paid	Paid	Twilight	★★ Knock Knock ('15, Hor) Keanu Reeves.				(:40) Leatherface ('17, Hor) Stephen Dorff.			Movie	
	TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	★★ My Best Friend's Wedding				★★★ Father of the Bride		
	TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(5:00) Little Women	(:15) ★★ Christmas in Connecticut					★★ Too Late for Tears Lizabeth Scott.			Out of the Past		
	TELE	20	-	10	20		Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Natural	El Viaje	El Viajero
	TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings	
	TNT	24	34	40	26	50	NCIS: New Orleans		NCIS: New Orleans		NCIS: New Orleans		★★ Terminator Salvation Christian Bale.				★★ Sky High	
	TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	(:10) Chris	(:50) G. Gibs	(:25) The Golden Girls	G. Girls	(:20) G.Gibs		(:50) G.Gibs	(:50) G.Gibs	(:25) The Golden Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	
	USA	26	55	42	27	49	Paid	T.Point	In Touch	J.Osteen	Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.	
	WGN	19	85				Lord	Creflo	Leading	Beyond	Last Man	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops

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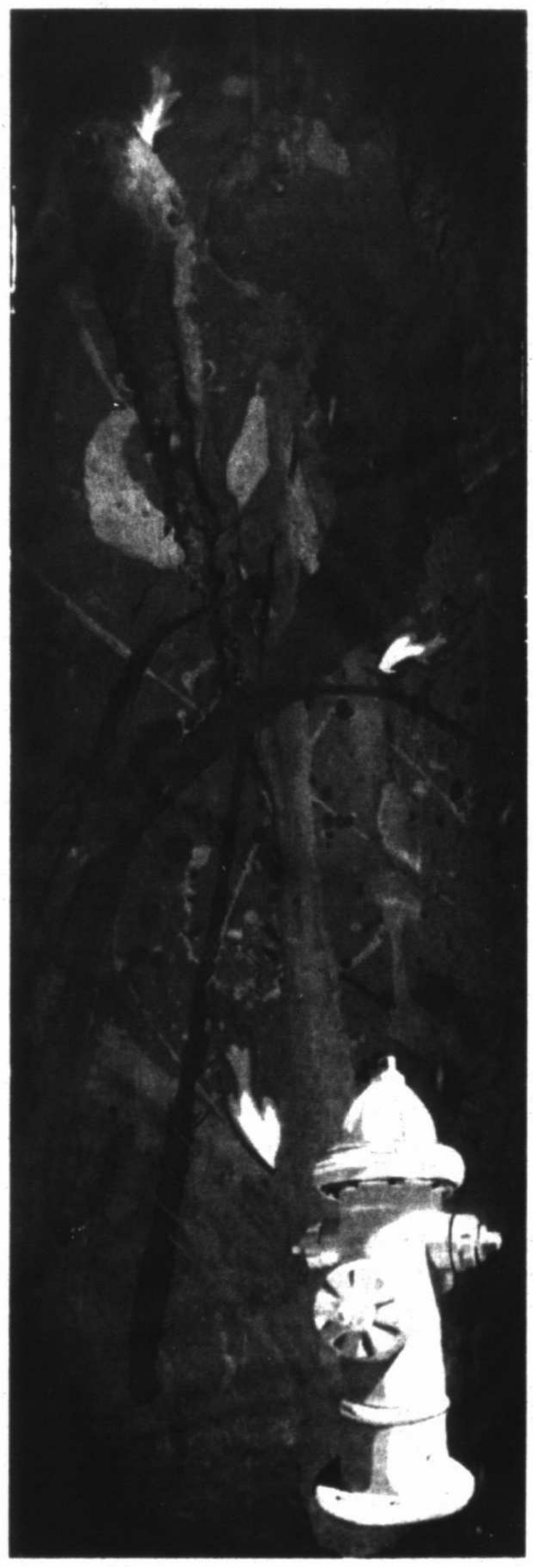
		G	S	R	C	W	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
BROADCAST	KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	20/20		Staffins	Mickey	American Ninja War.		News (N)	Paid
	KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	NFL Football Indianapolis Colts at Houston Texans Site: NRG Stadium -- Houston, Texas (L)								Gamer's Awards		Marketg	News (N)
	KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Brady8.	Brady8.	Gilligan	Gilligan	Gilligan	Gilligan	Gilligan	Gilligan	ALF 1/2	ALF 2/2	The Love Boat	
	KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	NFL Football New York Giants at Washington Redskins (L)						NFL Football Philadelphia Eagles at Dallas Cowboys (L)					
	KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	News	Shofar	Master	Creation	Light of Southwest		Light of Southwest	Heritage	BeingBest		Isaiah P	Mission
	KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	(11:30) FIS Snowboard		PGA Golf QBE Shootout (L)				ISU Figure Skating				Inside Ed.	News (N)
	KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	W.L.Yoga	Wilderness	Cook's	Martha	Martha	Chef's	Great British Baking	Nova			News. (N)	Japan
	KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	(11:30) MFL Fútbol (L)				Republica deportiva		La rosa de Guadalupe				Politica	Noticiero
	KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Grill	Bucket List	Green	Homes	Cars.TV	A.Athlete	Entertainers		Missing	Carrasco	Alaska	ChaoSun
PREMIUM	FLIX	340	575		165		Jimmy Glick in La La Wood		★★★ Equilibrium Christian Bale.						★★ First Sunday Ice Cube.		(:15) Soul Man	
	HBO	300	590	14	14		Movie	VICE	Say Her Name: Sandra				(:40) Brilliant Friend		(:40) ★★ Rampage Dwayne Johnson.			Movie
	HBO2	302	591	15	101	23	Justice League ('17, Act) Gal Gadot.				Room104		The Snowman Michael Fassbender.			Icebox Genesis Rodriguez.		
	HBO5	304	592	16	102		(:55) ★★ A Perfect Getaway		(:55) ★★★ The Cooler				(:20) ★★ U.S. Marshals ('98, Act) Wesley Snipes.					Movie
	MAX	380	597	17	120	24	Movie	(:25) Tourbus	(:55) Thoroughbreds				★★ Collateral ('04, Thril) Tom Cruise.		Trouble No More			Movie
	MAX2	382	598	18	122		(11:20) ★★★ Predator		(:25) ★★ The Fate of the Furious				(:40) ★★ Rush Hour 2				(:20) Jupiter Asc...	
	PLEX			96			(:55) Open Road Camila Belle.		★★★ Chato's Land				(:15) ★★★ Lone Wolf McQuade				(:05) Invasion of ...	
	SHOW	320	585	19	140	25	(11:25) 48 Hours		Ray Donovan		Enemies: President		Escape "Part One"		(:05) Dunnemora		Escape "Part Three"	
	TMC	336	579	22	155	26	(11:30) ★★★ Changeling Angelina Jolie.				The Tribes of Palos Verdes		(:45) ★★★ Bridge to Terabithia					Movie
CABLE	A&E	27	58	28	35	47	★★ The Transporter Refueled Ed Skrein.				★★★★ Faster ('10, Act) Dwayne Johnson.				★★★★ John Wick Keanu Reeves.			
	AMC	40	74	23	42	51	Movie	★★★ Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory					★★ Jingle All the Way				The Santa Clau...	
	BET	58	-		40		(11:30) ★★★ The Wiz ('78, Mus) Diana Ross, Thelma Carpenter.						★★★ The Color Purple ('85, Dra) Oprah Winfrey.					
	BRAVO	65	76		41		Vanderpump Rules		Married to Medicine		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta	
	CNBC	46	52		39	72	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank	
	CNN	43	50	51	30	56	Fareed Zakaria GPS		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
	DISC	50	60	31	24	42	OffGridDesertD.		The Last Alaskans		The Last Alaskans		Alaska/Frontier		Alaska/Frontier		Alaska/Frontier	
	DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Under	Call Style	Blazard.	Blazard.	CoopCami	CoopCami	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Raven's.	Raven's.	Stuck in the Middle	
	ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	NCAA Basketball Arizona at Alabama (L)				NCAA Basketball Jerry Colangelo Classic (L)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)	
	ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	NCAA Basketball Tennessee at Texas (L)				NCAA Basketball Ore./Mich. St. (L)		Heisman Trophy				NCAA Basketball (L)	
	FNC	45	48	53	23	55	America's News HQ		Fox News Sunday		Journal Editorial R.		America's News HQ		Greg Gutfeld Show		FOX Report Sunday	
	FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	The Kitchen		Gingerbread "Elf"		Cake Wars		Cake Wars		Cake Wars		Cake Wars	
	FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	(11:40) Life-Size 2: A Christm...		(:40) ★★ Christmas With the Kranks					(:50) ★★★ The Santa Clause ('94, Com) Tim Allen.				
	FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	NCAA Basketball Houston at Oklahoma State				NCAA Basketball DePaul vs. Oklahoma (L)			DFL Soccer Nurnberg at Bayern Munich				
	FX	31	56	59	64	69	★★★★ Let's Be Cops Jake Johnson.				★★★ Ghostbusters ('16, Act) Kristen Wiig, Melissa McCarthy.						The Secret Life...	
	HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	(11:00) Christmas...		★★ Mingle All the Way Jesse Arthur Carroll.				★ A Shoe Addict's Christmas				Homegrown Chr...	
	HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		White House (N)	
	HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Counting	Drive	Counting	Counting	Counting	Counting	American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers	
	LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	(11:00) Christmas I...		★ Christmas Harmony Kelley Jakle.				★ A Country Christmas Story Desiree Ross.				★ The Christmas ...	
	MSNBC	47	53		49	73	MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		PoliticsNation (N)		Meet the Press	
	NBCSN	38	43				League Goal Zone (L)		EPCR Rugby Leicester vs Racing Métro				Motorsport Hour (N)		FIS Alpine Skiing		PFL Lugo	
	NICK	55	-	39	34	37	(11:00) The Spon...		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Sponge	Sponge
	SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		★★ The Hangover Part II Bradley Cooper.			
	SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	(11:20) ★★ Jeepers Creepers		(:20) ★★ The Mechanic Jason Statham.				(:20) ★★ Need for Speed ('14, Act) Aaron Paul.					
	TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Movie	★★★ Father of the Bride: Part II					★★★★ Love Actually ('03, Rom) Hugh Grant, Emma Thompson.				Save	
	TCM	41	75	24	63	66	Movie	(:45) ★★★ Young Man With a Horn					(:45) ★★★★ Last for Life ('56, Bio) Kirk Douglas.				Top Secret Affair	
	TELE	20	-	10	20		La Liga Premier		★ Cirque Du Soleil: Worlds ...				★ The Incredibles (2004, Animated)				Decision	Noticias
	TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Return to Amish		Return to Amish		90 Day Fiancé (N)	
	TNT	24	34	40	26	50	(11:00) Sky High		(:15) ★★★ X-Men: First Class ('11, Act) James McAvoy.						★ Captain America: Civil War Chris Evans.			
	TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	Raba	Raba	Raba	Raba	Raba	Raba
	USA	26	55	42	27	49	Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.	
	WGN	19	85				Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops

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		G	S	R	C	W	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
BROADCAST	KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	America's Funniest Home Videos		Dancing With-Stars "The Finale" (SF) (N)		Shark Tank (N)		Shark Tank		Big 2 News (N)	(:35) Madam "The Rusalka"		(:35) Extra Weekend
	KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	60 Minutes		God Friended "Coney Island Cyclone" (N)		NCIS: Los Angeles "Heist" (N)		Madam Secretary "Winter Garden" (N)		News (N)	Last Man Standing	(:05) Castle "A Murder Is Forever"	
	KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	MASH "Dear Sis"	M*A*S*H	Columbo "Columbo Cries Wolf" A magazine co-owner mysteriously disappears.				Touched by An Angel "Godspeed"		Night Gallery	Night Gallery	The Twilight Zone "Mute"	
	KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	(5:00) NFL Football	The OT (L)	The Slin-gsons (N)	Bob'sB-urgers (N)	Family Guy (N)	Bal (N)	Big Bang Theory	Mom	2 Broke Girls	NFL Game Day Prime		Inside the Game
	KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	David Barton: Wallbuilders		Walls of Jerusalem	The Essentials	Light of the Southwest		Light of the Southwest		Update News	Cowgirl Logic	Building on the	Hope Today
	KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Football Night in America (L)		(:20) NFL Football Los Angeles Rams at Chicago Bears Site: Soldier Field -- Chicago. (L)						NewsW-est 9 (N)		Texas-Reporter	Film Flickers
	KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Masterp. "Downton Abbey" Season Six"		Secrets of Scotland Yard		HomeFront A serial killer is found disguised under the Blitz.		Secrets Underground		Ribbon of Sand		Jamestown	
	KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Aqui y ahora		★ The Book of Life (2014, Animated) Zoe Saldana, Channing Tatum, Diego Luna.				Crónicas		Mario de Todos	Noticiero Univision	Republica deportiva	
	KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Mother	Mother	Rizzoli & Isles		Bones		Major Crimes		Leverage		Wipeout	
PREMIUM	FLIX	340	575		165		(5:15) Soul Man		★★★ Breakdown			(:05) ★★★ Backdraft ('91, Act) Kurt Russell.					★ Jackass: The M...	
	HBO	300	590	14	14		(5:20) ★★★ Ready Player One Tye Sheridan.				Brilliant Friend (N)		Sally4E	(:20) Sally4E	(:10) Brilliant Friend		Sally4E	(:40) Brilliant
	HBO2	302	591	15	101	23	My Brilliant Friend	My Brilliant Friend			★ Anchorman: The Legend o...			(:20) ★ Plot Fight Ice Cube.			(:15) ★ American ...	
	HBO5	304	592	16	102		(5:50) ★★ Public Enemies Johnny Depp.				★★★ Dangerous Minds			(:40) ★★★ A Perfect World ('93, Dra) Kevin Costner.				
	MAX	380	597	17	120	24	(5:20) ★ Jonah Hex		★★ Repo Man ('10, Sci-Fi) Jude Law.				(:05) ★ Geostorm Gerard Butler.		(:40) ★ Legend Tom Hardy.			
	MAX2	382	598	18	122		(5:20) ★★★ Jupiter Ascending		Tour Bus		★★★ Conspiracy Theory Mel Gibson.			(:50) ★★ Funny Games Naomi Watts.				
	PLEX			96			(5:40) Invasion of ...		★★ Ride in the Whirlwind				(:20) ★★★ Chato's Land		(:10) ★★★ Lone Wolf McQuade			
	SHOW	320	585	19	140	25	Ensenias: President	"You're Fired" (N)			Ray Donovan (N)		Dunnemora (N)		Escape "Part Four"		Donovan "The 1-3-2"	
	TMC	336	579	22	155	26	(5:00) The House...		★★★ The Bone Collector				★★★ Changeling ('09, Dra) Angelina Jolie.					Movie
CABLE	A&E	27	58	28	35	47	★ Triple 9 ('16, Cri) Chiwetel Ejiofor, Casey Affleck.						★★★★ Con Air ('97, Act) John Cusack, Nicolas Cage.				(:08) ★ Con Air	
	AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(5:00) ★★ The Santa Clause 2		★★★ The Polar Express Tom Hanks.						★★★ Miracle ('04, True) Kurt Russell.			
	BET	58	-		40		(5:00) ★ The Color ...		Q 85:A Musical (N)				Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin
	BRAVO	65	76		41		Atlanta "Tatted Tales"		Housewives Atl. (N)		Real Housewives (N)		Dirty John		(:40) Watch	(:10) Housewives Atl.	(:10) Medic.	
	CNBC	46	52		39	72	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Deal or No Deal		Deal or No Deal		The Profit		The Profit	
	CNN	43	50	51	30	56	CNN Newsroom		CNN Heroes: An All Star Tribute (N)				CNN Heroes: An All Star Tribute				United Shades	
	DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Alaska/Frontier		Alaska: Exposed		Alaska/Frontier (N)		Alaskans "Two Kills"		Bush People (N)		Alaska: Exposed	
	DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	★ Good Luck Charlie, It's Chri...		Blazard.		CoopCami	CoopCami	StarWars	Raven's.	Raven's.	Blazard.	Blazard.	Blazard.
	ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	SportsCenter (N)		College Football Bowl Special (L)						SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)	
	ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	(5:00) NCAA Basket. (L)		Bowling Top Rank				Kickboxing Glory 62					
	FNC	45	48	53	23	55	Fox News Sunday		OBJECTified		The Next Revolution		Life, Liberty & Levin		OBJECTified		The Next Revolution	
	FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Cake Wars: Christmas		Guy's Game		Gingerbread (N)		Holiday Baking		Cookie Challenge		Gingerbread	
	FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	(5:00) The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Cl...						★★★ Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas				(:20) Love the Coopers	
	FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	UFC Unleashed (N)		Stars	Pre-game	NHL Hockey Dallas Stars at Vegas Golden Knights (L)						Pregame	Cowboys	School (N)
	FX	31	56	59	64	69	(5:00) ★ The Secret ...		★ Trolls ('16, Ani) Anna Kendrick.				★ Trolls ('16, Ani) Anna Kendrick.				★ Let's Be Cops	
	HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	(5:00) ★ Homegrown...		★ Welcome to Christmas Eric Mabius.				★ Christmas at Graceland Wes Brown.				★ Merry Me at C...	
	HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Fixer Upper		Hawaii	Hawaii	Bahamas	Bahamas	Windfall	Windfall	Bargain	Bargain	Bahamas	Bahamas
	HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	American Pickers		American Pickers "What's in the Garage?" A look at the best picks done in garages. (N)								(:40) Pickers	
	LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	(5:00) ★ The Christ...		★ A Christmas in Tennessee Rachel Boston.					(:05) ★ Christmas Lost and Found			★ A Christmas In...	
	MSNBC	47	53		49	73	Rosie DC (N)						Headliners (N)		Deadline		Lockup	
	NBCSN	38	43				(5:00) PFL Lugo		Curling World Cup -- Omaha, Neb.						IIHF Bobsleigh		Match of the Day	
	NICK	55	-	39	34	37	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	★ The SpongeBob Movie: Sponge Out of...			Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	(:40) Mom	
	SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Movie	★★ Billy Grandpa ('16, Com) Robert De Niro.					★★ The Hangover Part II ('11, Com) Bradley Cooper.				Movie	
	SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	Movie	★★★ Stir Andreas ('15, Act) Dwayne Johnson.					Flyers (N)	(:20) Z Nation		(:20) Poltergeist	(:20) Polte...	
	TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Seinfeld	Grinch	Bigbang	Bigbang	Bigbang	Bigbang	Bigbang	Bigbang	Thirdwheel	★ My Best Friend's Wedding		
	TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(5:00) ★ Top Secret ...		★★★★ It Happened on Fifth Avenue				(:15) ★★★★ O' Henry's Full House Fred Allen.				Movie	
	TELE	20	-	10	20		★ Selena ('97, Drama) Edward James Olmos, Jon Seda, Jennifer Lopez.						Don Francisco		Titulares	Decision	De Verdad	
	TLC	51	61	32	38	52	(5:00) 90Day Fiancé (N)	90 Day Fiancé "No Way Out" (N)					Return to Amish (N)		Amor, Gypsy Weddi		90 Day "No Way Out"	
	TNT	24	34	40	26	50	(5:00) ★ Captain Am...		★ Doctor Strange ('16, Act) Benedict Cumberbatch.						★★★ X-Men: First Class ('11, Act) James McAvoy.			
	TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	Raba	Raba	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	2 Mikes	2 Mikes	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
	USA	26	55	42	27	49	Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Modern	Modern	Modern	Modern
	WGN	19	85				★★★ Full Metal Jacket ('87, War) Matthew Modine.						★★★ Full Metal Jacket ('87, War) Matthew Modine.				Person of Interest	





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The Gallery at Midland Shared Spaces opened it Winter Art Exhibit this month. The show features art and photography by area groups such as the Palette Club, Midland Arts Association and the Sibley Camera Club. The show is on display during business hours.

CALENDAR

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DEC. 9-15

TODAY

Parks Legado Christmas Tree Market. Through Dec. 16 at Parks Legado Town Center, 7260 E. Highway 191, Odessa.

Urban Brunch Market with local vendors and brunch menu from Bus 22. 10 a.m. at 300 N. Colorado St.

Peppa Pig Live: "Peppa Pig's Surprise!" Noon and 4 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $49.50-$99.50. Wagnernoel.com.

Hand-lettered Christmas Ornament Workshop by Cristina Joy Creations. 3-5 p.m. at Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane. $45. cristinajoycreations.com.

"Elf the Musical" 2:30 p.m. today, 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday at Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. $28. mctmidland.org.

"The King is Here: A Christmas Worship Musical." 6-8:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Midland, 2104 W. Louisiana Ave. Free.

West Texas North Pole Village will feature Santa's House, reindeer barn, Santa's workshop, the North Pole Post Office, hayrides, live music and more. Through Dec. 23 at Ector County Coliseum, 4201 Andrews Highway, Odessa. $20. wtxnorthpolevillage.com.

MONDAY

Open Shop Nights are hosted by the Midland Gem and Mineral Society and open to the public. Visitors can watch members cut rock and work on lapidary projects. 6:30-9 p.m. at 602 S. Main St. midlandgemandmineral.org.

Bridge game play, 6:45 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Thursday; 1 p.m. Tuesday; 10:30 a.m. Saturday; 1:30 p.m. Sundays. Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. $6. For more information call 682-8595.

Midland Community Band's weekly meeting and rehearsal at Midland College Fine Arts Building Band Hall. 7-9 p.m. New members welcome and some instruments are available for use at the college. Contact 553-0632 for more information.

Christmas Wonderland Holiday Spectacular. 7:30 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $47-$90. broadwayinthebasin.com.

TUESDAY

Palette Club Painting, 9 a.m. to noon at the Palette Club, 907 W. Wadley Ave. palletteclubmidland.com.

Tales and Trails: How Animals Stay Warm. This program is for children ages 2-4. 10-11 a.m. at Sibley Nature Center, 1307 E. Wadley Ave. $2.

Christmas at the Mansion: A White Christmas luncheon. Noon at Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. $50 individual, $375 table of eight. museumsw.org.

Adult Coloring Group. Participants can take their pencils, markers and books for a relaxing session among those with similar interests. 3:30 p.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.

Knit a Bit Club. Meet up with fellow knitters or join to learn how. 4:30-6 p.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.

Christmas Party. 6-9 p.m. at Kelly Kennedy Fine Art, 100 N. Main St.

Wood and Wine: "Pallet Trees." 6:30 p.m. at Kidd's Art and Canvas, 3300 N. Midkiff Road. $60-$70. kiddsart.com.

Winter Concert 2018: An Abell and Carver Orchestra Celebration. 7 p.m. at Abell Junior High, 3201 Heritage Blvd.

Permian Basin Dance Club with live country music, 7:30 p.m. at Midland Downtown Lions Club, 200 Plaza St. $8. For more information, call 432-638-3707.

Crossing the Line: West Texas Line Dancing weekly meetup. 7:30-9 p.m. at MLK Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane. Classes are free but there is a $1 center entry fee. 713-876-9097. bbberesik@gmail.com. meetup.com/Crossing-TheLineWestTexas.

WEDNESDAY

Story Time, 9:30 a.m. for ages up to 2 years; 10:30 a.m. for ages 2-6 at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2511 W. Loop 250 N.

Wednesday Storytime with crafts for preschool children. 11 a.m. weekly at Barnes and Noble, 2617 West Loop 250 N. barnesandnoble.com.

Voices Dei. Noon at Mac's Bar-B-Q and Catering, 2400 W. Indiana Ave. Free.

West Texas Dance Club with live country music, 7:30-10 p.m. at 208 W. VFW Way in Odessa. 218-8322.

THURSDAY

Pancakes and Pajamas. Don your pajama apparel for pancakes, live music, caroling. The event benefits MARC's Spectrum Solutions and presented with Arts Council of Midland and Cliff's Food Wagon. 5:30 p.m. at Miss Cayce's Christmas Store, 1012 Andrews Highway. misscayceschristmas.com.

Christmas Rocks with the Brian Setzer Orchestra. 8 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $39.75-$89.75. wagnernoel.com.

FRIDAY

Christmas at the Mansion: A White Christmas holiday tea party. Enjoy hot tea, finger sandwiches and treats before exploring the museum's holiday decorations and galleries. 3-4:15 p.m. at Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. museumsw.org.

Midland Community Band Christmas Concert, 7 p.m. in the Wagner Brown Auditorium at Midland College, 3600 N. Garfield St. Free.

SATURDAY

Winter Market by the Midland Downtown Farmers Market. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave.

Very Merry Christmas shopping event with more than 80 local and national vendors. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at Ector County Coliseum, 4201 Andrews Highway, Odessa. Free. upevents.org.

Pancakes with Santa by the Knights of Columbus. Guests can listen to the story of St. Lucy, make an ornament for the church and have a picture taken with Santa. 6-8 p.m. at St. Ann's Catholic Church, 1906 W. Texas Ave.

Field Office Christmas Party. Guests are encouraged to take a wrapped white elephant gift and snacks. 7 p.m.-1 a.m. at The Field Office, 3205 W. Industrial Ave.

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"Golden Age of Hollywood: Costumes from the Gene London Cinema Collection." This exhibition features more than 50 costumes and personal effects of vintage movie stars such as Bette Davis, Joan Crawford, Doris Day, Tallulah Bankhead, Greta Garbo, Judy Garland, Katharine Hepburn, Grace Kelly, John Wayne, Tyrone Power, Elizabeth Taylor and Marilyn Monroe. Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursday, 2-5 p.m. Sunday. Runs through March 10 at the Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. noelartmuseum.org.

"A Legacy of Leadership: Winston Churchill" through Jan. 19. 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Saturday at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.

"Into the Great White Sands: Photographs by Craig Varjabedian. On display through Jan. 29. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. from Tuesday through Saturday, and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday at Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. museumsw.org.

Freshmen and Sophomore Juried Exhibition on display through Jan. 11. Hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday and 2-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the Nancy Fyfe Cardozier Gallery at UTPB, 4901 E. University Blvd. Odessa.

Blakemore Planetarium at the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Dome shows Tuesdays-Saturdays. Closed Sunday and Monday. museumsw.org.

George Bush Childhood Home. Tours and gift shop hours are 2-5 p.m. Sundays and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturdays. Admission charged. 1412 W. Ohio Ave. 685-1112.

Midland Army Airfield Museum. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturdays. 9600 Wright Drive. Free admission. highskywing.org.

Midland County Historical Society's Z. Taylor Brown-Sara Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland. Open by appointment. 213 N. Weatherford St. 682-5447.

Options Gallery, Odessa College, 201 W. University Blvd. Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Friday 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday 2-5 p.m. Free. 432-335-6640. odessa.edu.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, 1500 Interstate 20 West. Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday 2-5 p.m. 683-4403. pbpetro.org.

Scarborough-Linebery House, 802 S. Main St. Call for appointment. Available for rental for weddings and special occasions. 685-7368. midlandtexas.gov.

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TENARIS' NEXT PHASE



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The Tenaris pipe yard, shown here Tuesday, has expanded.

Tenaris working on Phase II expansion of service center

By Mella McEwen
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Tenaris' Midland Service Center, which has been open two years, is undergoing expansion as the company works on the second phase of its facility.



Zanotti

"We've expanded the size of the yard, adding land to store pipe," said Luca Zanotti, president of the European company's U.S. operations, while visiting the Midland facility.

When Tenaris opened in Midland in 2016, it was on land leased from Pioneer Natural Resources, and Zanotti said the company has leased more land from Pioneer.

With the additional 30 acres, Tenaris now has total pipe storage capacity of 90 acres. Beyond the additional storage capacity, the $18 million expansion includes enlarging the site's warehouse and truck parking lot. The company also has built a warehouse and maintenance shop and is completing the installation of a buck-on unit to assemble pipe accessories. Three new Hyster fork lifts have been purchased to move and load pipe.

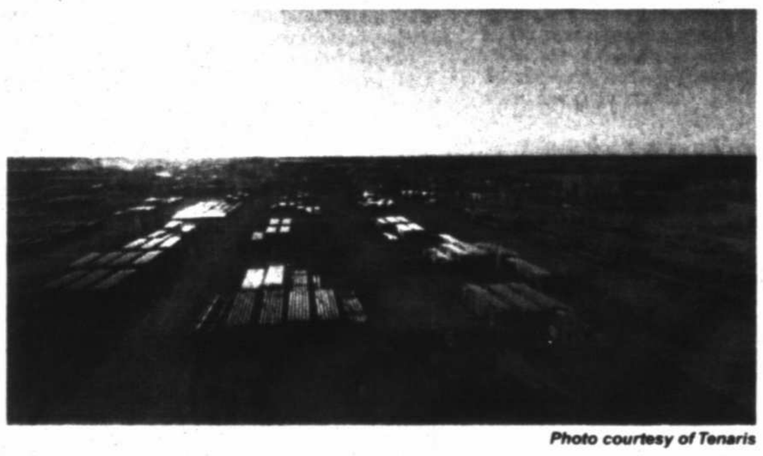


Photo courtesy of Tenaris

The Tenaris yard.

Zanotti said the company is also expanding to provide coiled tubing services, with installs and string swaps performed at the center.

Additionally, Tenaris is expanding the infrastructure for the company's sucker rods service center. The $6 million project will provide an equivalent storage capacity of 100,000 pieces of sucker rods and accessories, an industrial building housing equipment such as a machine to inject guides of various sizes onto the rods and offering Tenaris' new product lines, TenFlow and Helix guiding solutions. Tenaris will also be adding a buck-on machine to offer its customers in-house rods and coupling make-up services.

"We are thinking of expanding even more," said Zanotti, listing plans to construct a new office building for the center's 60 employees. "We believe we can do more. The Permian Basin is the region in which we sell the most. It's the most important place" for Tenaris, he said.

Even so, he predicts activity will for the next year as Permian Basin operators cope with a pipeline capacity bottleneck that is expected to be eased beginning the end of next year. Then, Zanotti said, activity will ramp back up. The expansion is part of Tenaris' $45 million investment, of which about $22 million already has been spent.

"We have different initiatives; the next will be the office building," he said.

"We're not only investing in our facilities, but in the community," Zanotti said. "We're active with the school district, we sponsor scholarships, we provide support for after-school programs at DeZavala Elementary."

The 16-year veteran of Tenaris, who moved to the United States in 2015, said the company appreciates the welcome it has received from the community.

He said he never expected to work in the oilfield pipe industry but "I am enjoying this."

Carbon management poised to make great strides

By Mella McEwen
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Carbon management is set to make significant advances, and the energy industry is poised to go along for the ride.

"With 45Q federal tax credits and advances in technology that improves efficiency, we've entered a new, more dynamic era for carbon management and CO2-EOR," Vello Kuuskraa, chief executive officer of Advanced Resources International, told attendees at the annual CO2 Conference last week at the Horseshoe.

Amid the push to reduce the global carbon footprint, reduce carbon dioxide and methane emissions and improve the environment, he said utilizing CO2 in enhanced oil and enhanced natural gas recovery operations also delivers negative CO2 emissions.

Also delivering negative CO2 emissions will be the development of residual oil zones — pockets of oil found in "fairways" below known oil reservoirs. Currently, 30 operators are active in the Horizontal San Andres in six counties working to develop the zones in that region.

After studying 384 logs, cores from 10 locations and establishing 73 cross sections, Kuuskraa said the San Andres fairway has 238 billion barrels of oil in place — 194 billion barrels in West Texas and 44 billion barrels in southeastern New Mexico. Of that, he said 30 percent of the resource is technically recoverable and 44 billion barrels are economically recoverable. Recovering that 44 billion barrels would create 4400 million tons of negative

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Says Railroad Commission's 'Pending' file offers more accurate count

■ CO2 Conference speaker has new way to count DUCs

By Mella McEwen
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The opening topic for Wednesday's session of the annual CO2 Conference at the Horseshoe was to be the Horizontal San Andres play that is developing in the Central Basin Platform and Northwestern Shelf.

But the first speaker, Russell K. Hall of R.K. Hall and Associates, thought it was important to correct what said was an incorrect assumption about the number of drilled, uncompleted wells in the Permian Basin.

Hall cited a report that stated that between September and October, the biggest increase in DUCs was in the Permian Basin. According to the report, the basin added 249 DUCs for a total of 3,866 — a 6.9 percent gain.

Those numbers are wrong, he told the audience, saying the figure of Permian Basin DUCs is about 1,603.

Hall said a well could be stimulated and producing but the operator has not yet filed an initial production report with the Railroad Commission.

He said the DUC count is wrong because of the "pending" category in the commission's online production report queries system.

"If an operator is producing a well, he has to report it to the Railroad Commission," Hall said. "Some operators postpone reporting production for a month, two months, for a period of time. One reason could be they've found something and don't want anyone to know about it. They're actively leasing and don't want to let the cat out of the bag. Another reason may be the commission is bogged down — a lot of reports come in and it takes time to complete the paperwork."



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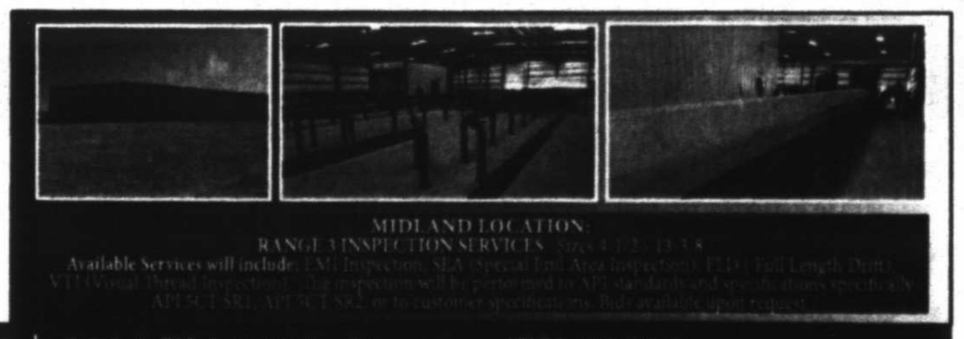
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He urged those in the audience to test his theory by checking out the "pending" category on the commission's online system and entering the drilling permit number. He showed a slide of one such search result that showed a Surge Operating well that had produced 80 barrels by the end of September. He said only the

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Petroleum Professional Development Center

All classes will be held at the Midland College PPDC building, 221 N. Main St.

To register, go to Midland College PPDC's Website: https://mcce.midland.edu

Midland College will close for Christmas break on Tuesday, December 18, 2018 and will re-open Tuesday, Jan 2, 2019.

Fundamentals of Well Log Interpretation
Instructor: Dr. George Asquith
Start Date: December 10-12 – Monday – Wednesday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $775; Out of State $800

Division Orders 101
Instructor: Sherry Robinson
Start Date: December 11, 2018 – Tuesday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $400; Out of State: $425

Well Service and Workover Pressure Control
Instructor: Mike Cure
Start Date: December 12, 2018 – Wednesday - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $375, Out of State $400

On-Line Division Order Certificate Program: Module 4 of 6: Oil & Gas Calculations
Instructor: Sherry Robinson
Start Date: January 3, 2019, End Date: January 30, 2019, Registration Deadline: 11:59 p.m., January 2, 2019
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50 - the required text is the NADOA Study Guide, which is $75 (one-time charge). Students need to join NADOA for $75 to download the "no cost" manual only available to members.

On-Line Land Management Certificate Program: Module 4 of 6: Oil & Gas Law and Its Impacts on Land Practices
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: January 3, 2019, End Date: January 30, 2019, Registration Deadline: 11:59 p.m., January 2, 2019
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50

Petra Fundamentals
Instructor: Greg Hinterlong
Start Date: January 8-9, 2019 – Tuesday - Wednesday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $625; Out of State $650

Sucker Rod Pumps: From the Basics to Troubleshooting Sand and Gas Interference
Instructor: Rodney Sands
Start Date: January 9, 2019 – Wednesday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $150; Out of State - $175

Production Operations
Instructor: Rolph A. Sankar
Start Date: January 14-18, 2019 – Monday – Friday - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $2,750; Out of State $2,775

Petroleum Geology for Non-Geologists
Instructor: Paul Pausé
Start Date: January 21-24, 2019 – Monday – Thursday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $1835; Out of State $1860

Introduction to Log Interpretation and Quality
Instructor: Gary Batcheller
Start Date: January 21-23, 2019 – Monday – Wednesday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1,095; Out of State $1,120

Oilfield Terminology
Instructor: Tommy Lent
Start Date: January 22-23, 2019 – Tuesday – Wednesday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $430; Out of State $455

IHS: Enerdeq Browser Training
Instructor: Keith Ina
Start Date: Wednesday, January 23, 2019 - 9 a.m. to Noon
Cost: Complimentary

Introduction to Well Completion Design
Instructor: Gary Batcheller
Start Date: January 24-25, 2019 – Thursday – Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, 8 a.m. to Noon, Friday
Cost: $695; Out of State $720

Well Control Drilling/ Workover (WellSharp)
Instructor: Larry Chapman
Start Date: January 28 – Feb 1, 2019 – Monday – Friday – 8 a.m. to 5 pm.
Cost: $1200; Out of State $1225

IHS: Kingdom Geology – Getting Started
Instructor: Amber King
Start Date: Wednesday, January 29, 2019 – 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Cost: Complimentary

4 Day CO2 EOR and ROZ School – Includes Field Visit
Day 1 of 4: Residual Oil Zones and Commercial Exploitation
Day 2 of 4: Horizontal Well Reservoir Depressuring of the ROZ
Day 3 of 4: Field Visit plus CO2 Recycle Processing for CO2 Flooding
Day 4 of 4: CO2 EOR Fundamentals
Instructors: Steve Melzer, Dr. Robert C. Trentham, Ron Wackowski, David Vance, Mark Nicholas, Russell K. Hall, Bryan Hargrove
Start Date: January 29, 2019 – February 1, 2019 – Tuesday – Friday – see website for times and instructors
Cost: $2000; Out of State $2025

CO2 EOR and ROZ School – Day 1 of 4 Only
Day 1: Residual Oil Zones and Commercial Exploitation
Instructors: Steve Melzer, Dr. Robert C. Trentham, David Vance
Start Date: January 29, 2019 – Tuesday – 8:15 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $550; Out of State $575

CO2 EOR and ROZ School – Day 2 of 4 Only
Day 2: Horizontal Well Reservoir Depressuring of the ROZ
Instructors: Steve Melzer, Dr. Robert C. Trentham, Russell K. Hall
Start Date: January 30, 2019 – Wednesday – 8:15 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $550; Out of State $575

CO2 EOR and ROZ School – Day 3 of 4 Only (Field Visit Included)
Day 3: Field Visit plus CO2 Recycle Processing for CO2 Flooding
Instructors: Steve Melzer, Dr. Robert C. Trentham, Mark Nicholas
Start Date: January 31, 2019 – Thursday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $575; Out of State $600

CO2 EOR and ROZ School – Day 4 of 4 Only
Day 4: CO2 EOR Fundamentals
Instructors: Steve Melzer, Bryan Hargrove, Dr. Robert C. Trentham, David Vance, Ron Wackowski
Start Date: February 1, 2019 – Friday – 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $550; Out of State $575

Marathon in 'exploratory' talks with Exxon, Plains on Permian pipeline

By Marissa Luck
Houston Chronicle

As companies race to develop pipelines from the booming Permian Basin, two competing pipeline developers could join efforts.

Marathon Petroleum executives said Tuesday they've initiated exploratory talks with Exxon Mobil and Plains All American Pipeline of Houston to combine efforts on a Permian-to-Gulf Coast pipeline to maximize capital efficiency.

If it proceeds with Exxon and Plains, Marathon Petroleum would leave another pipeline project it's involved in called the PGC Pipeline.

That's a 600-mile pipeline that will take Permian oil to Gulf Coast, including to its refineries in Galveston Bay and Texas City.

The pipeline arm of Marathon is partnering with the Dallas pipeline company Energy Transfer, Magellan Midstream Partners of Oklahoma and the Israeli company Delek Group on multibillion pipeline project expected to start in the fourth quarter of 2020.

Marathon, of Findlay, Ohio, would still pursue [illegible]t PGC Pipeline as it continues discussions with Exxon and Plains on potentially joining efforts, said Don Sorensen, Marathon's head of Andeavor Logistics in an investor's day webcast.

In June, Exxon said it plans to create a joint venture with Plains All American to construct a multibillion-dollar pipeline stretching from west of Midland to the Houston and Beaumont areas. The 1 million barrel-a-day, oil-and-condensate pipeline is expected to be operating in late 2020 or early 2021.

It follows a similar route to the pipeline Marathon is developing with Energy Transfer, Magellan and Delek.

Despite record production from the Permian Basin, there aren't enough pipelines to carry the crude to the market. Energy companies are pushing to fix the problem with new pipeline proposals.

Until those projects start coming online in mid-2019, companies are relying more on trucks and trains to move the crude. Permian crude is selling at a discount in Midland because of the difficulty getting it to Gulf Coast markets.

Collectively companies in Texas are planning to spend more than $40 billion to build or expand almost 10,000 miles of pipelines — long enough to stretch from West Texas to China.

ENERGYBRIEFS

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Research firm: Permian gas flaring nearly doubled in a year

Record-high oil and gas production from the Permian Basin also has led to record-high waste and pollution in the form of gas flaring.

As companies drill for oil, they're also pumping out large volumes of associated natural gas that frequently has nowhere to go because of temporary pipeline shortages in the region. So they're opting to simply waste the gas by burning it off in a practice known as flaring until new outlets can carry their energy products to market.

Norwegian research firm Rystad Energy estimates that Permian flaring averaged a record of 407 million cubic feet per day in the third quarter of this year and will keep rising next year up to at least 600 million cubic feet a day. The current flared gas amounts are worth more than $1 million per day.

For context, flaring in the Permian was less than 200 million cubic feet a day in mid-2017 and was less than 20 million cubic feet daily at the beginning of 2011 before the recent Permian boom took off.

Much more gas pipeline capacity in the Permian won't come online until late 2019, which is why the situation is expected to worsen before it improves.

Flaring permits for each well are for 45 days at a time, but they're being routinely extended by state regulators for the maximum of six months.

Rystad observed that many new Permian wells are flaring gas for periods of four to six months.

Anadarko to map oil, gas under Colorado city

LOVELAND, Colo. — Houston-based Anadarko Petroleum plans to search for oil and gas deposits underneath a Colorado city.

Crews plan to place seismic sensors in areas around the east side of Loveland.

Trucks belonging to the company will then vibrate the ground. Vibrations picked up by the sensors will help to create maps of the underlying geology.

Anadarko last surveyed the geology of the Loveland area in 2013. The study prompted the company to drill 13 oil wells south and east of town.

Nine Energy announces promotion

HOUSTON – Nine Energy Service, Inc. has promoted David Crombie to chief operating officer and executive vice president effective Jan. 1.

In his new role, Crombie will be responsible for overseeing operations across all of Nine's service lines and geographies.

Crombie currently serves as Nine's president, completion solutions, and executive vice president, and is responsible for overseeing operations for Nine's completion solutions segment. Before joining Nine, Crombie founded Crest Pumping Technologies and served as president.

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drilling permit number results in a successful search. Entering the API number for example, will bring the response "no packet found."

"If you get the response 'no packet found,' that means no completion report has been filed. If you go by that, you're only getting part of the story," he said.

In any given month, there are 1,000 to 1,000 Permian Basin wells in that pending category, he said.

"Why do DUCs exist? First, what's happening in the Permian Basin. Two or three years ago, wells were being drilled to hold acreage. That's not really the most efficient way to develop acreage. Today, most acreage has been defended, and operators are transitioning to pad drilling, drilling three or four wells on the same pad. When you fracture a well, you will see frac hits in offset wells up to a half-mile away. The best way to avoid frac hits is to drill a number of wells together and frac them at the same time."

Operators are not drilling wells and letting them sit idle while waiting for better oil prices, Hall said. "They're waiting for the offset wells to be completed at the same time."

Having clarified an accurate DUC count, Hall then turned to his topic, the Horizontal San Andres play.

Since the early days of oil and gas activity in the Permian Basin, there have been 49,000 San Andres wells drilled and 3 million acres have been covered, said Hall, who said an estimated 6.5 billion barrels of oil have been produced from those San Andres wells. It's estimated the horizontal San Andres wells that have been drilled are producing about 35,000 barrels per day.

"The reservoir is complex," Hall told his audience. "When you think you've got it figured out, something happens that we have to figure out."

The residual oil zone concept operators are working with is strongly supported by the data, he said. But diagenetic changes in those zones may be more important than the depositional environment.

"Controlling the frac growth is paramount for successful oil production," Hall said.

He said gas content also strongly influences recovery efficiency.

"If you don't have dissolved gas in the reservoir, you can't produce the oil."

And, he said, "not all areas are the same."

Carbon

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CO_2 emissions, he said.

"Pursuing other ROZs would increase negative emissions," Kuuskraa said.

Not only are operators active in developing the San Andres ROZ, but there is also work beginning in the Grayburg and the Glorieta formations, as well as the Cypress Sandstone in the Illinois Basin, the Tensley and Big Horn formations in the Powder River Basin and Mission Canyon in the Williston Basin. Even Australia and Norway are looking at residual oil zones, he said.

The weak link in this effort is transportation between the CO_2 source and the oil fields, according to Kuuskraa. To address this shortage, he cited one proposal of a comprehensive national CO_2 pipeline system. A comprehensive system of 200 miles to 1,000 miles, plus smaller regional pipelines with a total capacity to transport 950 million metric tons of CO_2 by 2050, "would enable 8,200 million metric tons of CO_2 to be captured and stored, he said.

As beneficial as the changes to the 45Q federal tax credits regarding carbon capture and storage projects will be, he suggested some further improvements. These would include extending the time period for breaking ground on such projects to 2030 instead of 2024 and increasing to 20 the number of years of eligibility for the tax credit.

Closing the cost-revenue gap also will spur carbon capture activity because industries are allowed to sell their captured CO_2 to oil and gas companies for enhanced recovery projects, and improved efficiencies in those enhanced recovery projects reduce costs, Kuuskraa said.

New legislative environment

With Democrats taking control of the House of Representatives next year, their priorities could affect oil and gas, Fred Eames, partner in Hunton Andrews Kerth, told his audience.

"The biggest issue is infrastructure. It's a priority for both parties, and there are opportunities for victory if they want one," he said. "The key issues are how to pay for it, and does it include energy infrastructure."

Climate change will also be an issue, he said. More than 20 Democrats support legislation requiring the use of 100 percent renewable energy by 2050 and cutting methane leaks 50 percent by 2025. There is also a push to establish a new climate change committee with legislative jurisdiction, Eames said.

In the meantime, Eames said, the Trump administration is proceeding with efforts to boost development of the nation's energy resources, beginning with implementation of the revamped 45Q federal tax credits. Key issues there include defining "secure geological storage," establishing the beginning of construction, establishing transferability rules and analysis of recapture life cycle.

There are also "continuing efforts to contain regulation within the rule of law," he said, citing as examples:

- a revised proposed rule for Waters of the US (WOTUS) is expected this week;
- a replacement for the Clean Power Plant act is expected, with a final rule expected in the first quarter of 2019;
- expected soon is a proposed replacement of the greenhouse gas emissions limits rule for new power plants; and
- streamlining the permitting process, including potentially establishing a process of one federal decision to speed the implementation of proposed facilities.

45Q tax credit

The revamped 45Q federal tax credit for carbon capture, utilization and storage is a significant tax credit, Keith Tracy, president and principal of Cornerpost CO_2 LLC, said.

Looking at the projected new tax credit values, he said a minimum-sized facility making about 100,000 metric tons of CO_2 a year with 12 years of credit available and full-year operations beginning the first day of 2021 could see credits of up to $40 million for EOR injection and $57 million for non-EOR injection.

Using those same assumptions for a facility making 50 million cubic feet of CO_2 per day or a million metric tons a year, tax credits could be up to $460 million for EOR injection, $665 million for non-EOR injection.

That means "industrial-sourced CO_2 volumes can now be more economically delivered to EOR projects," Tracy said.

Noting that there are those who want greenhouse gas emissions regulations and there are those who want more CO_2 for enhanced recovery projects, "this satisfies both. This creates an incentive for CO_2 EOR operators to find more sources of CO_2."

But each project will need a separate valuation to determine its qualification for the credits, Tracy said. Those considering seeking the credits must carefully analyze all aspects of the statute and guidance, and the deal structure and ownership decisions will be important. He said maximizing credit values "critically depends on commercial terms and investors who have substantial tax liabilities. Working with knowledgeable individuals or teams is essential."

The Internal Revenue Service's interpretations of the statutes and guidance also will be crucial on certain issues, he said.

COMPLETIONS

Courtesy Drilling Info

Texas RRCD 8

Ward County

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Queso 34-153 Unit #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-
Horizontal; 250 fsel, 2155 fnel, Sec 153, Blk 34, Abst. 254, H&TC RR, 4.6 e Barstow; TD 11119 TVD, 19265 MD; Comp 11/11/2018; producing from 11645-19045, fracture stimulated; flow 1115 BO, 2746 MCF, 4637 BW on 30/64 inch choke, FTP 2850 psi, 44 Oil Gravity; API #42-475-37436

New Mexico

Eddy County

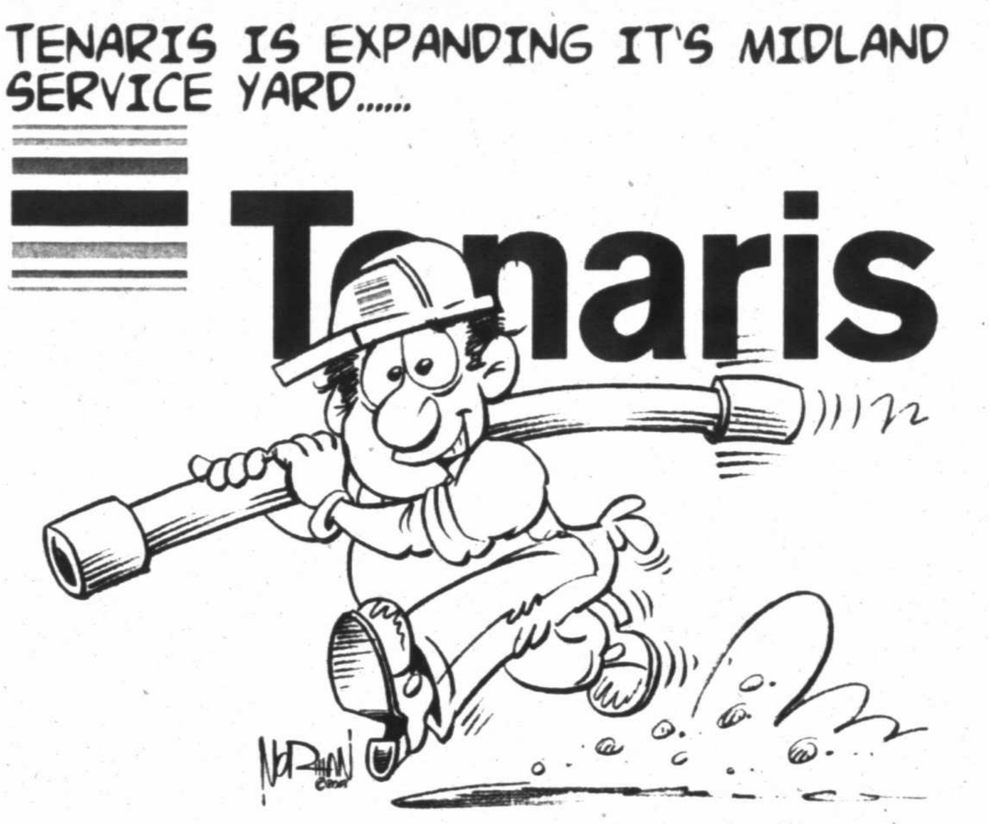
Matador Production Co.
Lost River Fee #2
South Carlsbad; Sec 23 T23S R27E; 2110/S & 990/E; EL 3135 GR, TD 12961 MD, 12700 TVD, PBTD 12,600; Spud 1-9-18, Comp 3-3-18; production is through treated perfs: 12080-12297. Treat: 3 stages each 1500 gals 15% NEFE. IP: 3-11-18 Flow 24 hrs 5 BO, 11 BW, 4206 MCF, 32/64" Ch, TP 3100, CP 3000, GOR 641,200. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 422 w/470 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2133 w/750 sx, 7 @ 7772 w/840 sx, 7 @ 9483 w/610 sx, 4 ½ @ 9250-12695 w/439 sx. 2 3/8 @ 12070; API #30-015-42700

Cimarex Energy Co.
Bonnie 35 Federal Com #4
Wildcat; Sec 35 T25S R26E; 330/S & 2190/E. BHL 331/N & 1707/E; EL 3356 GL, TD 11991 MD, 7432 TVD, PBTD 11989; Spud 6-15-17, Comp 8-23-17; production is through treated perfs: 7719-11989. Treat: 219533 bbls total fluid, 11689831# sd. IP: 9-10-17 Flow 24 hrs 414 BO, 1740 BW, 680 MCF, 64/64 Ch, TP 500, GOR 1643, Gty 44. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 454 w/575 sx, 9 5/8 @ 1920 w/825 sx, 5 ½ @ 11991 w/2120 sx. 2 7/8 @ 6782; API #30-015-43619

Cimarex Energy Co.
Hornsby 35 Federal Com #7
Wildcat; Sec 35 T26S R27E; 2110/S & 2020/E. BHL Sec 26 330/N & 2594/W; EL 32240 GL, TD 1441 MD, 7710 TVD, PBTD 14379; Spud 8-10-17, Comp 10-11-17; production is through treated perfs: 7833-14354. Treat: 290639 bbls total fluid, 15667530# sd. IP: 11-7-17 Flow 24 hrs 591 BO, 1388 BW, 1012 MCF, 34/64 Ch, TP 690, GOR 1712, Gty 39.4. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 405 w/515 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2223 w/905 sx, 5 ½ @ 14403 w/2665 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7124; API #30-015-42168

Cimarex Energy Co.
Hornsby 35 Federal Com #8
Hay Hollow; Sec 35 T26S R27E; 210/S & 1980/E. BHL Sec 26 330/N & 1699/E; EL 3240 GL, TD 14465 MD, 7635 TVD, PBTD 14429; Spud 7-18-17, Comp 10-7-17; production is through treated perfs: 7909-14414. Treat: 286604 bbls total fluid, 15654850# sd. IP: 5-17

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MID-WEEK WTI AVERAGE PRICES

Posted	$48.70	Shell Trading	$49.50
Energy Transfer Partners*	$49.50	Nymex futures	$52.29*
Flint Hills Resources*	$49.25	*Net price without transportation charge	
Phillips 66	$49.51		
Plains*	$49.25	Note: Posted prices as of December 5	

WILDCATS

Courtesy Drilling Info

Texas RRCD 8

Ector County

Fasken Oil and Ranch Ltd.
Fee "BK" #1802
Wildcat; 467 fnl, 880 fwl, Sec 18, Blk 41, T-1-N, Abst. 8, G&MMB&A, 3.8 ne Gardendale; TD 14000; API #42-135-43651 Permit issued 11/30

Ward County

Four Corners Petroleum II LLC
Lucy Adams #0106
Wildcat; 2046 fswl, 660 fnwl, Sec 39, Blk 34, Abst. 194, H&TC RR, 6.69 sw Thorntonville; TD 11500; API #42-475-37750 Permit issued 11/30

Four Corners Petroleum II LLC
Lucy Adams #0105
Wildcat; 660 fnwl, 1956 fnel, Sec 39, Blk 34, Abst. 194, H&TC RR, 6.48 sw Thorntonville; TD 11500; API #42-475-37749 Permit issued 11/30

Four Corners Petroleum II LLC
Lucy Adams #0110
Wildcat; 660 fnel, 1980 fnwl, Sec 39, Blk 34, Abst. 194, H&TC RR, 6.4 sw Thorntonville; TD 11500; API #42-475-37751 Permit issued 11/30

Four Corners Petroleum II LLC
Lucy Adams #0108
Wildcat; 1980 fnel, 1980 fsel, Sec 39, Blk 34, Abst. 194, H&TC RR, 6.75 sw Thorntonville, TD 11500; API #42-475-37752 Permit issued 11/30

Four Corners Petroleum II LLC
Lucy Adams #0103
Wildcat; 1939 fnel, 660 fsel, Sec 39, Blk 34, Abst. 194, H&TC RR, 6.88 sw Thorntonville, TD 11500; API #42-475-37753 Permit issued 11/30

New Mexico

Lea County

EOG Resources Inc.
Cobalt 32 State #709
Wildcat; Sec 32 T24 R34E, 200/S & 622/W, 3 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 17313 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-45245

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Flagger 8 Fed #3
Wildcat; Sec 8 T25S R33E, 180/S & 2540/W, 9 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 17143 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-45257

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Flagger 8 Fed #4
Wildcat; Sec 8 T25S R33E, 180/S & 1740/E, 9 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 17109 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-45258

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Red Hills West 21 W1AP Federal Com #2
Wildcat; Sec 21 T26S R32E, 185/N & 620/E, 17 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 16897 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-45247

COMPLETIONS

Courtesy Drilling Info

From 2F

Flow 24 hrs 644 BO, 1374 BW, 1082 MCF, 34/64" Ch, TP 680, GOR 1680, Gty 39.2. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 412 w/515 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2221 w/905 sx, 5 ½ @ 14465 w/2665 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7234, API #30-015-42169

Lea County

Legacy Reserves Operating LP
Lea Unit #42
Lea, Sec 24 T20S R34E, 2270/S & 1430/E. Sec 13 332/N & 1752/E; EL 3674 GL, TD 17291 MD, 9585 TVD, PBTD 17241 MD, 9585 TVD; Spud 3-23-18, Comp 7-20-18; production is through treated perfs: 10082-17211. Treat: 2565 bbls acid, 10,293,880# sd & 243,142 bbls wtr. IP: 7-20-18 Pump 24hrs 1006 BO, 2176 BW, 1126 MCF, GOR 1119, Gty 38. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1807 w/1500 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5585 w/2050 sx, 5 ½ @ 17291 w/2900 sx, 2 7/8 @ 9009; API #30-025-44354

Legacy Reserves Operating LP
Lea Unit #43
Lea, Sec 24 T20S R34E, 2770/S & 560/E. Sec 13 330/N & 425/E; EL 3677 GL, TD 17373 MD, 9590 TVD, PBTD 17344 MD, 9590 TVD; Spud 4-13-18, Comp 7-3-18; production is through treated perfs: 10138-17314. Treat: 2,504 bbls acid, 10,070,998# sd & 246,270 bbls wtr. IP: 7-18-18 Pump 24 hrs 1399 BO, 1109 BW, 1388 MCF, GOR 991, Gty 38. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1834 w/1500 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5590 w/3450 sx, 5 ½ @ 17373 w/2900 x, 2 7/8 @ 8899, API #30-025-44329

EOG Resources Inc.
Hemlock 32 State #701
Wildcat; Sec 32 T23S R33E, 364/S & 627/W. BHL: 100/N & 373/W; EL 3660 GR, TD 17,540 MD, 12,491 TVD, PBTD 17,505 MD, 12,491 TVD; Spud 5-15-18, Comp 8-21-18; production is through treated perfs: 12780-17505. Treat: Frac w/11,564,847# proppant, 145,483 bbls load fluid. IP: Flow 24 hrs 4608 BO, 488 BW, 9561 MCF, 91 Ch, CP 1028. GOR 2075, Gty 41. Csg:13 3/8 @ 1347 w/340 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5012 w/1420 sx, 7 5/8 @ 11831 w/519 sx, 5 ½ @ 17529 w/550 sx; API #30-025-44343

EOG Resources Inc.
Hemlock 32 State #702
Wildcat; Sec 32 T23S R33E, 364/S & 660/W. BHL: 100/N & 800/W; EL 3660 GR, TD 17,526 MD, 12,482 TVD, PBTD 17,483 MD, 12,482 TVD; Spud 5-16-18, Comp 8-21-18; production is through treated perfs: 12715-17484. Treat: Frac w/11,524,200# proppant, 144,884 bbls load fluid. IP: 8-24-18 Flow 24 hrs 5806 BO, 5256 BW, 11,438 MCF, 24 Ch, CP 1981, GOR 1970, Gty 44. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1373 w/1340 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5012 w/1420 s, 7 5/8 @ 11875 w/670 sx, 5 ½ @ 17507 w/580 sx, API #30-025-44344

EOG Resources Inc.
Streetcar 15 Federal #601
Draper Mill; Sec 15 T25S R33E, 249/S & 358/E. BHL: 228/N & 451/E; EL 3350 GL, TD 15610 MD, 10819 TVD, PBTD 15581 MD, 10820 TVD; Spud 5-19-18, Comp 8-14-18; production is through treated perfs: 10910 – 15581. Treat: 12,116,880# proppant, 192,505 bbls load fluid. IP: 8-22-18 Flow 24 hrs 1745 BO, 5467 BW, 2327 MCF, 64 Ch, GOR 1332, Gty 39. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1220 w/260 s, 9 5/8 @ 4948 w/1620 sx, 5 ½ @ 15590 w/1980 sx; API #30-025-44536

EOG Resources Inc.
Streetcar 15 Federal #701
Wildcat; Sec 15 T25S R33E, 249/S & 323/E. BHL: 229/N & 367/E; EL 3349 Gl, TD 17242 MD, 2404 TVD, PBTD 17200 MD, 12404 TVD; Spud 5-20-18, Comp 8-14-18; production is through treated perfs: 12521-17200. Treat: 12,805,440# proppant, 180,482 bbls load fluid. IP: 8-17-18 Flow 24 hrs 2337 Bo, 8382 BW, 3926 MCF, 64 Ch, CP 1496. GOR 1680, Gty 41. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1215 w/1260 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4043 w/1620 sx, 7 5/8 @ 11668 /515 sx, 5 ½ @ 17223 w/540 sx; API #30-025-44537

COG Operating LLC
White Falcon 16 State Com #23
Dogie Draw; Sec 16 T25 R35E, 226/N & 812/W. Sec 21 201/S & 1080/W; EL 3257 Gr, TD 22410, PBTD 22295; Spud 11-10-17, Comp 7-21-18; production is through treated perfs: 12714-22270. Treat: Acdz w/97,944 gals 7.5%, Frac w/20,048,755# sd & 17,836,728 gals fluid. IP: 7-22-18 Flow 24 hrs 372 BO, 2287 BW, 236 MCF, 15/64" Ch, TP 3850, CP 3900. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1110 w/1050 sx, 9 5/8 @ 11710 w/2775 sx, 5 ½ @ 22380 w/4325 sx, 2 7/8 @ 11903; API # 30-025-43699

COG Operating LLC
White Falcon 16 State Com #24
Dogie Draw; Sec 16 T25S R35E, 226/N & 732/W. BHL: Sec 21 200/S & 358/W; EL 3255 GR, TD 22388, PBTD 22021; Spud 9-22-17, Comp 7-17-18; production is through treated perfs: 12793-22000. Treat: Acdz w/92,400 gals 71/2%, Frac w/19,425,927# sd & 18,035,935 gals fluid. IP: 7-17-18 Flow 24 hrs 550 BO, 2275 BW, 648 MCF, 15/64" Ch, TP 3600. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1132 w/1000 sx, 9 5/8 @ 11712 w/3060 sx, 5 ½ @ 22388 w/4350 sx, 2 7/8 @ 11952; API #30-025-43700

DEVELOPMENT WELLS

Courtesy Drilling Info

Texas RRCD 7C

Irion County

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
Woods 213-216 Alloc 14 #06HS
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 523 fnl, 4701 fel, Sec 213, Blk 1, Abst. 632, T&P RR, 7.15 nw Barnhart; TD 9000; API #42-235-36346 Permit issued 11/30

Tracker Resource Development III LLC
Barnhart 2N98 #7UM
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 3517 fwl, 570 fsl, Sec 2, Abst. 1196, M.J. Norrell, 22 sw Mertzon; TD 9500; API #42-235-36345 Permit issued 11/29

Reagan County

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Bates 43B-31-D #4407H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 479 fnl, 1709 fwl, Sec 6, Blk E, Abst. 820, L&SV RR, 23.1 nw Big Lake; TD 9148; API #42-383-40459 Permit issued 11/26

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Bates 43B-31-D #4307H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 449 fnl, 1709 fwl, Sec 6, Blk E, Abst. 820, L&SV RR, 23.1 nw Big Lake; TD 8890; API #42-383-40460 Permit issued 11/26

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Bates 43B-31-B #4404H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 433 fnl, 1169 fwl, Sec 6, Blk E, Abst. 820, L&SV RR, 23.1 nw Big Lake; TD 9148; API #42-383-40461 Permit issued 11/26

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Bates 43B-31-B #4304H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 403 fnl, 1169 fwl, Sec 6, Blk E, Abst. 820, L&SV RR, 23.1 nw Big Lake; TD 8890; API #42-383-40462 Permit issued 11/27

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
University 10 #2506HS
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 10883 fsl, 1323 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 10, Abst. 231U, ULS, 6.7 ne Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-40457 Permit issued 11/26

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
University 10 #2502HA
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 10884 fsl, 1303 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 10, Abst. 231U, ULS, 6.7 ne Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-40458 Permit issued 11/26

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
University 10 #2501HS
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 10884 fsl, 1283 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 10, Abst. 231U, ULS, 6.7 ne Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-40463 Permit issued 11/27

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
University 10 #2503HK
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 10883 fsl, 1363 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 10, Abst. 231U, ULS, 6.7 ne Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-40464 Permit issued 11/27

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
University 10 #2508HK
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 10883 fsl, 1383 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 10, Abst. 231U, ULS, 6.7 ne Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-40465 Permit issued 11/27

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
Boothe 236-6 Alloc 05 #12HA
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 683 fnl, 1396 fwl, Sec 236, Blk 1, Abst. 66, T&P RR, 8.05 nw Barnhart; TD 9000; API #42-383-40467 Permit issued 11/28

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
Boothe 236-6 Alloc 05 #13HK
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 688 fnl, 1376 fwl, Sec 236, Blk 1, Abst. 66, T&P RR, 8.05 nw Barnhart; TD 9000; API #42-383-40469 Permit issued 11/28

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
Boothe 236-6 Alloc 06 #15HC
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 678 fnl, 1415 fwl, Sec 236, Blk 1, Abst. 66, T&P RR, 8.05 nw Barnhart; TD 9000; API #42-383-40468 Permit issued 11/30

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
Boothe 236-6 Alloc 03 #08HK
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 692 fnl, 1357 fwl, Sec 236, Blk 1, Abst. 66, T&P RR, 8.05 nw Barnhart; TD 9000; API #42-383-40470 Permit issued 11/30

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
Boothe 236-6 Alloc 07 #18HK
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 674 fnl, 1435 fwl, Sec 236, Blk 1, Abst. 66, T&P RR, 8.05 nw Barnhart; TD 9000; API #42-383-40471 Permit issued 11/30

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
Boothe 236-6 Alloc 05 #11HS
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 976 fnl, 1461 fwl, Sec 236, Blk 1, Abst. 66, T&P RR, 8.05 nw Barnhart; TD 9000; API #42-383-40473 Permit issued 11/30

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
Boothe 236-6 Alloc 04 #10HC
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 980 fnl, 1442 fwl, Sec 236, Blk 1, Abst. 66, T&P RR, 8.05 nw Barnhart; TD 9000; API #42-383-40472 Permit issued 11/30

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
Boothe 236-6 Alloc 07 #17HA
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 971 fnl, 1481 fwl, Sec 236, Blk 1, Abst. 66, T&P RR, 8.05 nw Barnhart; TD 9000; API #42-383-40474 Permit issued 11/30

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
Boothe 236-6 Alloc 07 #16HS
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 967 fnl, 1500 fwl, Sec 236, Blk 1, Abst. 66, T&P RR, 8.05 nw Barnhart; TD 9000; API #42-383-40475 Permit issued 11/30

Tom Green County

Banner Operating LLC
Turner Ranch West #4102
June Ann (Pennsylvanian); 5415 fsl, 9590 fwl, Sec 41, Blk 5, Abst. 922, H&TC RR, 21 nw San Angelo; TD 9000; API #42-451-32886 Permit issued 11/30

Upton County

DE3 Operating LLC
Grimes B 19-18 #4302H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 415 fnl, 833 fwl, Sec 19, Blk D, Abst. 141, EL&RR, 23.1 ne Rankin; TD 9800; API #42-461-41038 Permit issued 11/28

XTO Energy Inc.
Aegis 1918-02 #1912AH
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 1476 fwl, 273 fnl, Sec 30, Blk C, Abst. 699, L&SV RR, 9.3 se Midkiff; TD 9000; API #42-461-41036 Permit issued 11/29

Texas RRCD 8

Andrews County

COG Operating LLC
J.E. Mabee "A" NCT-1 #2927H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2329 fnl, 1595 fel, Sec 28, Blk 39, T-2-N, Abst. 91, G&MMB&A, 19.7 se Andrews; TD 10100; API #42-003-47943 Permit issued 11/28

Mercury Operating LLC
Texaco University "10" #9
Fullerton (San Andres); 392 fwl, 433 fsl, Sec 10, Blk 13, Abst. 402U, ULS, 13.9 nw Andrews; TD 6000; API #42-003-47952 Permit issued 11/29

Mercury Operating LLC
Texaco University "10" #10
Fullerton (San Andres); 438 fsl, 1293 fwl, Sec 10, Blk 13, Abst. 402U, ULS, 13.9 nw Andrews; TD 6000; API #42-003-47953 Permit issued 11/29

Culberson County

Chevron USA Inc.
DR State Wise Unit 1 #0061WA
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 10530 fsl, 6722 fel, Sec 28, Blk 60, T-1, Abst. 4756, T&P RR, 22.63 nw Orla; TD 9000; API #42-109-33429 Permit issued 11/27

Chevron USA Inc.
DR State Wise Unit 1 #0062WA
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 10530 fsl, 6697 fel, Sec 28, Blk 60, T-1, Abst. 4756, T&P RR, 22.63 nw Orla; TD 9000; API #42-109-33430 Permit issued 11/27

Chevron USA Inc.
DR State Wise Unit 1 #0063WA
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 10530 fsl, 6672 fel, Sec 28, Blk 60, T-1, Abst. 4756, T&P RR, 22.63 nw Orla; TD 9000; API #42-109-33431 Permit issued 11/27

Chevron USA Inc.
DR State Wise Unit 1 #0064WA
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 10530 fsl, 6647 fsl, Sec 28, Blk 60, T-1, Abst. 4756, T&P RR, 22.63 nw Orla; TD 9000; API #42-109-33432 Permit issued 11/27

Cimarex Energy Co.
Big Brown 30 Fee B #2H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 50 fsl, 1400 fwl, Sec 30, Blk 59, T-2, Abst. 5553, T&P RR, 17.8 sw Orla; TD 12000; API #42-109-33428 Permit issued 11/26

Ector County

Fasken Oil and Ranch Ltd.
Fee "BK" #1808
Lowe West (Strawn); 2310 fnl, 4404 fwl, Sec 18, Blk 41, T-1-N, Abst. 8, G&MMB&A, 4.2 ne Gardendale; TD 13500; API #42-135-43647 Permit issued 11/27

Fasken Oil and Ranch Ltd.
Fee "BK" #1809
Lowe West (Strawn); 3009 fnl, 3304 fwl, Sec 18, Blk 41, T-1-N, Abst. 8, G&MMB&A, 4 ne Gardendale; TD 13500; API #42-135-43648 Permit issued 11/27

Fasken Oil and Ranch Ltd.
Fee "BK" #1801
Lowe West (Strawn); 467 fnl, 3304 fwl, Sec 18, Blk 41, T-1-N, Abst. 8, G&MMB&A, 4.2 ne Gardendale; TD 13500; API #42-135-43649 Permit issued 11/27

Hadaway Consulting and Engineering LLC
Conrad #291H
Jordan-Horizontal; 5102 fsl, 2177 fwl, Sec 29, Blk B-16, Abst. 869, PSL, 5 sw Penwell; TD 3650; API #42-135-43650 Permit issued 11/28

Texland Petroleum LP
Holt #3
Cowden North (Deep); 444 fsl, 476 fsl, Sec 13, Blk 43, T-1-N, Abst. 1339, T&P RR, 6 ne Goldsmith; TD 5400; API #42-135-43652 Permit issued 11/30

Glasscock County

Diamondback E&P LLC
Ray 3427 C #1WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 960 fwl, 4515 fsl, Sec 39, Blk 36, T-3-S, Abst. 410, T&P RR, 14.67 w Garden City; TD 9520; API #42-173-38042 Permit issued 11/28

Diamondback E&P LLC
Ray 3427 D #2WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 990 fwl, 4516 fsl, Sec 39, Blk 36, T-3-S, Abst. 410, T&P RR, 14.67 w Garden City; TD 9520; API #42-173-38043 Permit issued 11/28

XTO Energy Inc.
Zant-Hurt-Blalock Unit 1 0105 #0125SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2446 fel, 600 fsl, Sec 36, Blk 36, T-2-S, Abst. 1095, T&P RR, 16.9 nw Garden City; TD 8150; API #42-173-38013 Permit issued 11/27

Howard County

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
Black Pearl "B" 11-14 #221
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 262 fnl, 553 fel, Sec 11, Blk 34, T-2-N, Abst. 397, T&P RR, 16 nw Big Spring; TD 11000; API #42-227-39877 Permit issued 11/30

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
Black Pearl "B" 11-14 #122
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 262 fnl, 578 fel, Sec 11, Blk 34, T-2-N, Abst. 397, T&P RR, 16 nw Big Spring; TD 11000; API #42-227-39878 Permit issued 11/30

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
Black Pearl "B" 11-14 #223
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 262 fnl, 603 fel, Sec 11, Blk 34, T-2-N, Abst. 397, T&P RR, 16 nw Big Spring; TD 11000; API #42-227-39879 Permit issued 11/30

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
Black Pearl "D1" 11-14 #243
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 265 fnl, 1140 fwl, Sec 11, Blk 34, T-2-N, Abst. 397, T&P RR, 16 nw Big Spring; TD 11000; API #42-227-39885 Permit issued 11/30

Surge Operating LLC
Ammit Unit 23-14 #5AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 611 fsl, 603 fwl, Sec 23, Blk 33, T-3-N, Abst. 345, T&P RR, 1.2 w Vealmoor; TD 9000; API #42-227-39874 Permit issued 11/26

Loving County

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Cottonwood 55-1-14 Unit #4H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 400 fsl, 370 fwl, Sec 14, Blk 55, T-1, Abst. 1156, T&P RR, 19.08 nw Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-34227 Permit issued 11/30

Shell Western E&P
Kudu 53-2-6 LOV E Unit #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 330 fnl, 953 fwl, Sec 6, Blk 53, T-2, Abst. 1049, T&P RR, 12.1 ne Mentone; TD 11800; API #42-301-34218 Permit issued 11/27

Shell Western E&P
Kudu 53-2-6 LOV E Unit #3H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 330 fnl, 923 fwl, Sec 6, Blk 53, T-2, Abst. 1049, T&P RR, 12.1 ne Mentone; TD 12000; API #42-301-34219 Permit issued 11/27

Shell Western E&P
Lindley 55-2-42 LOV Unit #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 388 fnl, 2111 fel, Sec 43, Blk 55, T-2, Abst. 137, T&P RR, 12.7 nw Mentone; TD 11000; API #42-301-34214 Permit issued 11/27

Shell Western E&P

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Kudu 53-2-6 LOV E Unit #4H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 330 fnl, 893 fwl, Sec 6, Blk 53, T-2, Abst. 1049, T&P RR, 12.1 ne Mentone, TD 12000; API #42-301-34220 Permit issued 11/27

Shell Western E&P
Kudu 53-2-6 LOV E Unit #5H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 330 fnl, 863 fwl, Sec 6, Blk 53, T-2, Abst. 1049, T&P RR, 12.1 ne Mentone, TD 12000; API #42-301-34220 Permit issued 11/27

Shell Western E&P
Kudu 53-2-6 LOV E Unit #6H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 382 fnl, 131 fwl, Sec 6, Blk 53, T-2, Abst. 1049, T&P RR, 12.1 ne Mentone, TD 11900; API #42-301-34223 Permit issued 11/27

Shell Western E&P
Kudu 53-2-6 LOV E Unit #7H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 373 fnl, 100 fwl, Sec 6, Blk 53, T-2, Abst. 1049, T&P RR, 12.1 ne Mentone, TD 12000; API #42-301-34224 Permit issued 11/27

Shell Western E&P
Kudu 53-2-6 LOV W Unit #9H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 354 fnl, 2616 fel, Sec 6, Blk 53, T-2, Abst. 1049, T&P RR, 12.1 ne Mentone, TD 12300; API #42-301-34225 Permit issued 11/27

Shell Western E&P
Kudu 53-2-6 LOV W Unit #8H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 364 fnl, 2587 fel, Sec 6, Blk 53, T-2, Abst. 1049, T&P RR, 12.1 ne Mentone, TD 12000; API #42-301-34226 Permit issued 11/27

WPX Energy Permian LLC
Checkers 14 #411H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 400 fel, 448 fsl, Sec 14, Blk 29, Abst. 988, PSL, 12 ne Mentone; TD 16000; API #42-301-34221 Permit issued 11/26

WPX Energy Permian LLC
Blue 34 #412H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 251 fnl, 465 fel, Sec 34, Blk 28, Abst. 965, PSL, 16.6 ne Mentone; TD 16000; API #42-301-34217 Permit issued 11/26

WPX Energy Permian LLC
CBR 11-2B-56-1 #332H
Sandbar (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 583 fnl, 2281 fel, Sec 14, Blk 56, T-1, Abst. 1130, T&P RR, 22.6 nw Mentone; TD 16000; API #42-301-34213 Permit issued 11/27

WPX Energy Permian LLC
CBR 11-2C-56-1 #333H
Sandbar (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 608 fnl, 2281 fel, Sec 14, Blk 56, T-1, Abst. 1130, T&P RR, 22.6 nw Mentone; TD 16000; API #42-301-34215 Permit issued 11/27

WPX Energy Permian LLC
CBR 11-2D-56-1 #334H
Sandbar (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 633 fnl, 2281 fel, Sec 14, Blk 56, T-1, Abst. 1130, T&P RR, 22.6 nw Mentone; TD 16000; API #42-301-34216 Permit issued 11/27

Martin County

Lario Oil & Gas Company
Lafayette 2 #102X
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 189 fsl, 575 fel, Sec 29, Blk 36, T-1-S, Abst. 209, T&P RR, 3 sw Stanton; TD 10200; API #42-317-41832 Permit issued 11/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Woody W36A #1H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 56 fnl, 1788 fwl, Sec 36, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 911, T&P RR, 3.8 sw Tarzan; TD 11020; API #42-317-41863 Permit issued 11/26

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Woody W36B #2H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 56 fnl, 1833 fwl, Sec 36, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 911, T&P RR, 3.8 sw Tarzan; TD 9286; API #42-317-41864 Permit issued 11/26

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Woody W36C#3H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 56 fnl, 1878 fwl, Sec 36, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 911, T&P RR, 3.8 sw Tarzan; TD 11020; API #42-317-41865 Permit issued 11/26

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Woody E36A #201H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 85 fnl, 1239 fel, Sec 36, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 911, T&P RR, 3.8 sw Tarzan; TD 11020; API #42-317-41866 Permit issued 11/26

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Woody E36B #202H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 85 fnl, 1194 fel, Sec 36, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 911, T&P RR, 3.8 sw Tarzan; TD 9239; API #42-317-41867 Permit issued 11/26

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Woody E36C #203H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 85 fnl, 1149 fel, Sec 36, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 911, T&P RR, 3.6 sw Tarzan; TD 11020; API #42-317-41868 Permit issued 11/26

SM Energy Company
Blissard 20-29 #2028LS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 220 fnl, 1183 fwl, Sec 20, Blk 35, T-1-S, Abst. 652, T&P RR, 17.1 sw Big Spring; TD 10900; API #42-317-41935 Permit issued 11/30

SM Energy Company
Blissard 20-29 #2047WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 219 fnl, 1153 fwl, Sec 20, Blk 35, T-1-S, Abst. 652, T&P RR, 17.1 sw Big Spring; TD 11000; API #42-317-419365 Permit issued 11/30

XTO Energy Inc.
Strain 20 Unit 1 #2024SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1999 fwl, 1050 fsl, Sec 8, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 621, T&P RR, 6.3 se Lenorah; TD 8315; API #42-317-41926 Permit issued 11/27

XTO Energy Inc.
Strain 20 Unit 1 #2013AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1949 fwl, 1050 fsl, Sec 8, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 621, T&P RR, 6.3 se Lenorah, TD 8797; API #42-317-41927 Permit issued 11/28

XTO Energy Inc.
Strain 20 Unit 1 #2004BH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2049 fwl, 1050 fsl, Sec 8, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 621, T&P RR, 6.3 se Lenorah, TD 8915; API #42-317-41928 Permit issued 11/28

XTO Energy Inc.
Strain 20 Unit 1 #2003BH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1430 fwl, 1213 fsl, Sec 8, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 621, T&P RR, 6.3 se Lenorah, TD 8915; API #42-317-41929 Permit issued 11/28

XTO Energy Inc.
Strain 20 Unit 1 #2023SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1380 fwl, 1213 fsl, Sec 8, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 621, T&P RR, 6.3 se Lenorah, TD 8315; API #42-317-41930 Permit issued 11/28

XTO Energy Inc.
Strain 20 Unit 1 #2042SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1330 fwl, 1213 fsl, Sec 8, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 621, T&P RR, 6.3 se Lenorah, TD 8318; API #42-317-41931 Permit issued 11/28

XTO Energy Inc.
Strain 20 Unit 1 #2012AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 910 fwl, 1215 fsl, Sec 8, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 621, T&P RR, 6.3 se Lenorah; TD 8915; API #42-317-41932 Permit issued 11/29

XTO Energy Inc.
Strain 20 Unit 1 #2022SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 860 fwl, 1215 fsl, Sec 8, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 621, T&P RR, 6.3 se Lenorah; TD 8315; API #42-317-41934 Permit issued 11/29

XTO Energy Inc.
Strain 20 Unit 1 #2001BH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 810 fwl, 1215 fsl, Sec 8, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 621, T&P RR, 6.3 se Lenorah; TD 8915; API #42-317-41933 Permit issued 11/29

Midland County

Chevron USA Inc.
SOA Scharbauer SE #0121LS
Parks (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 577 fnl, 2530 fel, Sec 28, Blk 40, Abst. 753, T&P RR, 9 sw Midland; TD 9800; API #42-329-42974 Permit issued 11/29

Chevron USA Inc.
SOA Scharbauer SE #0122LS
Parks (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 577 fnl, 2510 fel, Sec 28, Blk 40, Abst. 753, T&P RR, 9 sw Midland, TD 9800; API #42-329-42975 Permit issued 11/30

Chevron USA Inc.
SOA Scharbauer SE #0123LS
Parks (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 577 fnl, 2490 fel, Sec 28, Blk 40, Abst. 753, T&P RR, 9 sw Midland, TD 9800, API #42-329-42976 Permit issued 11/30

Chevron USA Inc.
SOA Scharbauer SE #0124LS
Parks (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 577 fnl, 2470 fel, Sec 28, Blk 40, Abst. 753, T&P RR, 9 sw Midland, TD 9800, API #42-329-42977 Permit issued 11/30

COG Operating LLC
JF Haley M1 #1003LH
Parks (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 340 fsl, 335 fwl; Sec 7, Abst. 1448, M. Daugherty, 11.5 sw Midland, TD 12000; API #42-329-42869 Permit issued 11/27

COG Operating LLC
JF Haley M7 #1003MH
Parks (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 340 fsl, 290 fwl, Sec 7, Abst. 1448, M. Daugherty, 11.5 sw Midland; TD 12000; API #42-329-42870 Permit issued 11/27

DE3 Operating LLC
Bryant-Whitefield A 42-43 #2401H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 525 fsl, 730 fwl, Sec 31, Blk 37, T-1-S, Abst. 19, T&P RR, 8.1 ne Midland, TD 9000, API #42-329-42986 Permit issued 11/30

DE3 Operating LLC
Bryant-Whitefield B 42-43 #2602H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 550 fsl, 730 fwl, Sec 31, Blk 37, T-1-S, Abst. 19, T&P RR, 8.1 ne Midland, TD 9000, API #42-329-42987 Permit issued 11/30

Diamondback E&P LLC
Warfield East L #101WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2429 fel, 779 fsl, Sec 7, Blk 40, T-2-S, Abst. 50, T&P RR, 10.6 sw Midland, TD 10480; API #42-329-42909 Permit issued 11/26

Diamondback E&P LLC
Warfield East M #102WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2399 fel, 778 fsl, Sec 7, Blk 40, T-2-S, Abst. 50, T&P RR, 10.6 sw Midland, TD 10480; API #42-329-42910 Permit issued 11/26

Earthstone Operating LLC
Mid-States Unit 37-5 #2A
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal, 896 fsl, 688 fel, Sec 37, Abst. 936, H.M. Horton, 7.7 se Midland, TD 10000; API #42-329-42982 Permit issued 11/30

Earthstone Operating LLC
Mid-States Unit 37-5 #3BU
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 260 fsl, 986 fwl, Sec 37, Abst. 936, H.M. Horton, 7.7 se Midland, TD 10000; API #42-329-42983 Permit issued 11/30

Earthstone Operating LLC
Mid-States Unit 37-5 #4A
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 260 fsl, 961 fwl, Sec 37, Abst. 936, H.M. Horton, 7.7 se Midland, TD 10000; API #42-329-42984 Permit issued 11/30

Earthstone Operating LLC
Mid-States Unit 37-5 #5BU
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal, 260 fsl, 936 fwl, Sec 37, Abst. 936, H.M. Horton, 7.7 se Midland, TD 10000; API #42-329-42985 Permit issued 11/30

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Beal-Snyder W35J #10H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal, 955 fsl, 1525 fwl, Sec 35, Blk 37, T-1-S, Abst. 189, T&P RR, 12.2 ne Midland, TD 8950; API #42-329-42901 Permit issued 11/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Beal-Snyder W35G #7H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal, 955 fsl, 1465 fwl, Sec 35, Blk 37, T-1-S, Abst. 189, T&P RR, 12.2 ne Midland, TD 9350; API #42-329-42988 Permit issued 11/30

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Beal-Snyder W35I #9H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 955 fsl, 1505 fwl, Sec 35, Blk 37, T-1-S, Abst. 189, T&P RR, 12.2 ne Midland, TD 9350; API #42-329-42990 Permit issued 11/30

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Beal-Snyder W35K #11H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal, 955 fsl, 1545 fwl, Sec 35, Blk 37, T-1-S, Abst. 189, T&P RR, 12.2 ne Midland, TD 8950; API #42-329-42991 Permit issued 11/30

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Beal-Snyder W35L #12H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 955 fsl, 1565 fwl, Sec 35, Blk 37, T-1-S, Abst. 189, T&P RR, 12.2 ne Midland, TD 8950; API #42-329-42992 Permit issued 11/30

Summit Petroleum LLC
Banay #28WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 510 fwl, 250 fsl, Sec 7, Blk 41, T-4-S, Abst. 394, T&P RR, 24.8 sw Midland, TD 9700, API #42-329-42962 Permit issued 11/28

XTO Energy Inc.
Bradford Trust B Unit 1 #1221SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal, 256 fwl, 515 fnl, Sec 24, Blk 39, T-4-S, Abst. 1109, T&P RR, 20 se Midland; TD 9015, API #42-329-42961 Permit issued 11/28

XTO Energy Inc.
Bradford Trust B Unit 1 #1211AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal, 286 fwl, 515 fnl, Sec 24, Blk 39, T-4-S, Abst. 1109, T&P RR, 20 se Midland, TD 9560, API #42-329-42964 Permit issued 11/28

XTO Energy Inc.
Bradford Trust B Unit 1 #1202BH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal, 1133 fwl, 376 fnl, Sec 24, Blk 39, T-4-S, Abst. 1109, T&P RR, 20 se Midland, TD 9900; API #42-329-42965 Permit issued 11/29

XTO Energy Inc.
Bradford Trust B Unit 1 #1242SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal, 1073 fwl, 378 fnl, Sec 24, Blk 39, T-4-S, Abst. 1109, T&P RR, 20 se Midland, TD 9015, API #42-329-42966 Permit issued 11/29

XTO Energy Inc.
Bradford Trust B Unit 1 #1212AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal, 1103 fwl, 377 fnl, Sec 24, Blk 39, T-4-S, Abst. 1109, T&P RR, 20 se Midland, TD 9560, API #42-329-42967 Permit issued 11/29

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around the oil patch

To appear in *Around the Oil Patch* call Paul Wiseman at 697-7468 or your Oil Report account executive at 682-5311.

Buchanan Disposal's solid waste facility drying pad opens January 1, 2019

The Midland Basin's most centrally located energy waste disposal facility will add Class One non-hazardous oilfield solid waste to its disposal capabilities in January of 2019.

To their existing state-of-the-art SWD facility Buchanan Disposal Solutions will add a 300' by 300' solid waste drying pad that will give them tremendous capacity to accept your Class One non-hazardous waste while minimizing wait times. Here's what they'll be accepting:

- Expended Frac Sand
- Oil and Water Based Drill Mud
- Drill Cuttings
- Tank Bottoms and BS&W
- Gel Material

They'll also be washing out sand boxes.

This pad is basically two football fields, just over two acres, and it's the biggest pad of its kind in the area. This gives Buchanan plenty of capacity to accept massive amounts of energy waste also known as "solids" so your trucks can get back on the road as quickly as possible.

They're already offering quick turnaround in salt water disposal, vacuum truck washouts and reloading with fresh or brine water for the return trip. For drivers in both SWD and solids disposal, Buchanan staff does all the work, allowing those drivers to call their dispatcher, complete reports and grab a quick snack while stretching their legs.

Buchanan's goal is to get this done in 15 minutes so drivers can get back on the road refreshed and ready for their next trip. This is truly a "One Stop Shot" out of the cannon.

Here's the efficiency—if drivers get one more trip per day with shorter drive times to the facility (at 5118 FM 1379, three miles south of Greenwood) and with shorter turnaround times once they get there, a mid-to-large size company can save hundreds of thousands of dollars per year—and help solve the Permian Basin's critical shortage of drivers.

Buchanan's staff would love to give you a tour. They've opened their doors to people from the largest to the smallest companies, with the cleanliness of this waste facility. It's not often one can use "clean" and "waste facility" in the same sentence—but Buchanan customers can. That's the Buchanan standard.

With all this elite-level service, it's no surprise that Buchanan's motto is, "We Love Our Truckers." Your company will love Buchanan's fast, clean service as well.



ALMOST READY This two-acre, two-football-field size drying pad will be ready to accept your Class One non-hazardous oilfield solid waste in January. Buchanan Disposal Solutions J. P. Boisse, 325-716-7701, can arrange a free tour of their facility in the heart of the Midland Basin at 5118 FM 1379 (map that on your smart phone to make it easy).

Buchanan Disposal Solutions' One Stop Shot is located at 5118 FM 1379, three miles south of Greenwood High School. Their web address is www.buchanandisposal.com. Call 432-203-0384 to arrange a tour.

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XTO Energy Inc.
Bradford Trust B Unit 1 #1203BH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1592 fwl, 358 fnl, Sec 24, Blk 39, T-4-S, Abst. 1109, T&P RR, 20 se Midland, TD 9900; API #42-329-42968 Permit issued 11/29

XTO Energy Inc.
Bradford Trust B Unit 1 #1223SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1532 fwl, 360 fnl, Sec 24, Blk 39, T-4-S, Abst. 1109, T&P RR, 20 se Midland, TD 9015; API #42-329-42969 Permit issued 11/29

XTO Energy Inc.
Bradford Trust B Unit 1 #1213AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 15623 fwl, 359 fnl, Sec 24, Blk 39, T-4-S, Abst. 1109, T&P RR, 20 se Midland, TD 9560; API #42-329-42970 Permit issued 11/29

Pecos County

Diamondback E&P LLC
McIntyre State 34-35 Unit #4WA
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 251 fwl, 861 fnl, Sec 34, Blk 48, T-8, Abst. 8329, T&P RR, 9.s sw Coyanosa; TD 11465; API #42-371-39896 Permit issued 11/28

Diamondback E&P LLC
Neal Lethco 39-40 A #1WA
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 3060 fel, 805 fsl, Sec 39, Blk OW, Abst. 4909, TT RR, 7.8 s Coyanosa; TD 11311; API #42-371-39914 Permit issued 11/28

Diamondback E&P LLC
Neal Lethco 39-40 B #2WA
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 3060 fel, 835 fsl, Sec 39, Blk OW, Abst. 4909, TT RR, 7.8 s Coyanosa; TD 11311; API #42-371-39915 Permit issued 11/28

Diamondback E&P LLC
State Neal Lethco 36-32 Unit #7BS
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 237 fel, 626 fnl, Sec 36, Blk OW, Abst. 9476, TC RR, 8 s Coyanosa; TD 10405; API #42-371-39888 Permit issued 11/30

Diamondback E&P LLC
State Neal Lethco 36-32 Unit #8BS
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 237 fel, 656 fnl, Sec 36, Blk OW, Abst. 9476, TC RR, 8 s Coyanosa; TD 10405; API #42-371-39889 Permit issued 11/30

Reeves County

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Sundance State 56-3-13 Unit #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 340 fsl, 1840 fwl, Sec 13, Blk 56, T-3, Abst. 883, T&P RR, 6.96 sw Orla; TD 14000; API #42-389-37824 Permit issued 11/30

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Sundance State 56-3-13 Unit #3H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 340 fsl, 1870 fwl, Sec 13, Blk 56, T-3, Abst. 883, T&P RR, 6.97 sw Orla; TD 14000; API #42-389-37826 Permit issued 11/30

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Sundance State 56-3-13 Unit #4H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 340 fsl, 1900 fwl, Sec 13, Blk 56, T-3, Abst. 883, T&P RR, 6.97 sw Orla; TD 14000; API #42-389-37827 Permit issued 11/30

Apache Corporation
Alta #102BH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 244 fsl, 4533 fel, Sec 40, Blk 13, Abst. 4574, H&GN RR, 1.9 n Balmorhea; TD 16000; API #42-389-37804 Permit issued 11/27

Apache Corporation
Alta #104AH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 244 fsl, 4563 fwl, Sec 40, Blk 13, Abst. 4574, H&GN RR, 1.9 n Balmorhea; TD 16000; API #42-389-37805 Permit issued 11/27

Apache Corporation
Alta #105BH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 244 fsl, 4593 fel, Sec 40, Blk 13, Abst. 4574, H&GN RR, 1.9 n Balmorhea; TD 16000; API #42-389-37806 Permit issued 11/28

Apache Corporation
Alta #106AH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 325 fnl, 1152 fel, Sec 34, Blk 13, Abst. 4572, H&GN RR, 3.5 n Balmorhea; TD 16000; API #42-389-37808 Permit issued 11/27

Apache Corporation
Alta #107AH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 325 fnl, 1182 fel, Sec 34, Blk 13, Abst. 4572, H&GN RR, 3.5 n Balmorhea; TD 16000; API #42-389-37809 Permit issued 11/27

Apache Corporation
Alta #108AH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 325 fnl, 1212 fel, Sec 34, Blk 13, Abst. 4572, H&GN RR, 3.5 n Balmorhea; TD 16000; API #42-389-37811 Permit issued 11/27

Apache Corporation
Alta #109AH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 325 fnl, 1242 fel, Sec 34, Blk 13, Abst. 4572, H&GN RR, 3.5 n Balmorhea; TD 16000; API #42-389-37812 Permit issued 11/27

Apache Corporation
Alta #110AH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 325 fnl, 1272 fel, Sec 34, Blk 13, Abst. 4572, H&GN RR, 3.5 n Balmorhea; TD 16000; API #42-389-37813 Permit issued 11/27

Apache Corporation
Alta #111BH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 360 fnl, 2296 fwl, Sec 34, Blk 13, Abst. 4572, H&GN RR, 3.7 n Balmorhea; TD 16000; API #42-389-37814 Permit issued 11/27

Apache Corporation
Alta #112AH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 360 fnl, 2266 fwl, Sec 34, Blk 13, Abst. 4572, H&GN RR, 3.7 n Balmorhea; TD 16000; API #42-389-37815 Permit issued 11/27

Apache Corporation
Alta #113BH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 360 fnl, 2236 fwl, Sec 34, Blk 13, Abst. 4572, H&GN RR, 3.7 n Balmorhea; TD 16000; API #42-389-37816 Permit issued 11/27

Apache Corporation
Alta #114AH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 360 fnl, 2206 fwl, Sec 34, Blk 13, Abst. 4572, H&GN RR, 3.7 n Balmorhea; TD 16000; API #42-389-37818 Permit issued 11/27

APR Operating LLC
Orange Crush Unit #908WA
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 2240 fsl, 330 fel, Sec 16, Blk 53, Abst. 2650, PSL, 18.27 sw Orla; TD 20500; API #42-389-37825 Permit issued 11/30

Centennial Resource Production LLC
Red Rock F #U 13H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 946 fsl, 2306 fel, Sec 19, Blk C-7, Abst. 4654, PSL, 5.5 se Pecos; TD 10900; API #42-389-37807 Permit issued 11/28

Centennial Resource Production LLC
Red Rock G #T 17H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 947 fsl, 2276 fel, Sec 19, Blk C-7, Abst. 4654, PSL, 5.5 se Pecos; TD 10600; API #42-389-37810 Permit issued 11/28

Centennial Resource Production LLC
Sunny D State Unit #U 23H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 2240 fsl, 1460 fwl, Sec 295, Blk 13, Abst. 336, H&GN RR, 23.6 sw Pecos; TD 10400; API #42-389-37820 Permit issued 11/29

Centennial Resource Production LLC
Sunny D State Unit #U 05H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 2240 fsl, 1400 fwl, Sec 295, Blk 13, Abst. 336, H&GN RR, 23.6 sw Pecos; TD 10400; API #42-389-37817 Permit issued 11/30

Centennial Resource Production LLC
Sunny D State Unit #U 14H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 2240 fsl, 1430 fwl, Sec 295, Blk 13, Abst. 336, H&GN RR, 23.6 sw Pecos; TD 10400; API #42-389-37819 Permit issued 11/30

Cimarex Energy Co.
Saddleback State 57-30 #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 281 fsl, 510 fel, Sec 30, Blk 57, T-2, Abst. 3620, T&P RR, 5.1 sw Orla; TD 12000; API #42-389-37803 Permit issued 11/26

Cimarex Energy Co.
Boulder State 57-32 #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 329 fsl, 358 fel, Sec 32, Blk 57, T-2, T&P RR, 4.49 sw Orla; TD 15000; API #42-389-37802 Permit issued 11/26

ConocoPhillips Company
Diva #2H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 183 fnl, 1327 fwl, Sec 17, Blk 57, T-1, Abst. 603, T&P RR, 11 nw Orla; TD 10500; API #42-389-37799 Permit issued 11/26

ConocoPhillips Company
Diva #3H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 183 fnl, 1360 fwl, Sec 17, Blk 57, T-1, Abst. 603, T&P RR, 11 nw Orla; TD 10500; API #42-389-37800 Permit issued 11/26

ConocoPhillips Company
Diva #4H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 183 fnl, 1393 fwl, Sec 17, Blk 57, T-1, Abst. 603, T&P RR, 11 nw Orla; TD 10500; API #42-389-37801 Permit issued 11/26

Oxy USA Inc.
State Llama 48-1-1S #25H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal, 700 fnl, 696 fel, Sec 48, Blk 50, T-7-S, Abst. 2015, T&P RR, 20.4 se Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-37743 Permit issued 11/28

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Here's how Orion's people work with you to treat your water right

"I want to meet your people first—before I decide if you're the company to treat my produced water." That's the most common response Orion Water Solutions President Warren Sumner hears when speaking with a potential client. He explains, "Too many producers have been burned by water treatment companies that take shortcuts, don't communicate, and whose people are mostly there to make a buck."

On the other hand, Orion's people are on your site because they want to work with you to get the best results in your water treatment. Communication is one key element.

Field Supervisor Omar Hinojos says he's happy to help with "customer education, so they understand, when we show them the numbers (from QA testing), what exactly it's telling them" about the results of Orion's treatment.

In produced water, for example, there are total suspended solids (TSS), bacteria, iron and other contaminants, which do give the water a murky look. But Orion's dissolved air floatation (DAF) units do a good job of removing those things, so the work they've done is obvious. Treating fresh water, on the other hand, usually focuses on killing bacteria, so it's harder to judge the results until later. Orion's system operators show clients before-and-after test results so they understand what effect the treatment had.

Hinojos's dedication to customer happiness starts at the very beginning. "I like to show up early, so I can get with the previous shift. If there's anything that's outstanding, anything that needs to be addressed we can know how to handle them beforehand. Plus, simply communicating numbers and anything I'll need to know for my shift to be successful."

Another thing that separates Orion from the pack, says Hinojos, is the feeling of cooperation. This spirit is not just among coworkers, it spills over into their interaction with clients. "We're not just here (on site) to sample water and run chemicals," he continues. "We're there to provide service to the client." Clients have told Hinojos that Orion's customer service surpasses that of most of its competitors.

Orion technicians also have each others' backs. "If you have something come up that can't be missed, then you can work with the office and they can make it happen." That makes quality of life good for techs and their families as well.

Sumner points out that close vigilance is the price of clean water—and that's what customer service is all about. Most systems collect produced water from a number of wells, and the contaminant levels are changing all the time. The only way for Omar and his team to meet the goal of providing consistent water quality is to constantly test the water and adjust the treatment as needed.

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Oxy USA WTP LP
Janey State 24-25-5N Unit #81H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 653 fnl, 267 fwl, Sec 36, Blk 51, T-7-S, Abst. 2281, T&P RR, 15.1 s Pecos; TD 12000; API #42-389-37828 Permit issued 11/30

Oxy USA WTP LP
Janey State 24-25-3N Unit #11H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 653 fnl, 307 fwl, Sec 36, Blk 51, T-7-S, Abst. 2281, T&P RR, 15.1 s Pecos; TD 12000; API #42-389-37829 Permit issued 11/30

Oxy USA WTP LP
Janey State 24-25-6N Unit #82H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 445 fnl, 2709 fel, Sec 36, Blk 51, T-7-S, Abst. 2281, T&P RR, 15.2 s Pecos; TD 12000; API #42-389-37830 Permit issued 11/30

Oxy USA WTP LP
Janey State 24-25-4N Unit #12H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 445 fnl, 2670 fel, Sec 36, Blk 51, T-7-S, Abst. 2281, T&P RR, 15.2 s Pecos; TD 12000; API #42-389-37831 Permit issued 11/30

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Janey State 24-25 Unit #83H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 445 fnl, 2629 fel, Sec 36, Blk 51, T-7-S, Abst. 2281, T&P RR, 15.2 s Pecos; TD 12000; API #42-389-37832 Permit issued 11/30

Winkler County

COG Operating LLC
Mulligan Unit #1001H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 400 fsl, 640 fwl, Sec 10, Blk 27, Abst. 1756, PSL, 10 w Kermit; TD 14000; API #42-495-34255 Permit issued 11/28

Impetro Operating LLC
Grizzly #4H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 660 fel, 100 fnl, Sec 22, Blk C-23, Abst. 1414, PSL, 14 nw Kermit; TD 13500; API #42-495-34256 Permit issued 11/28

Oasis Petroleum Permian LLC
UL Bighorn C 21-30-19 #5103H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 884 fwl, 380 fsl, Sec 30, Blk 21, Abst. 70U, ULS, 7 sw Wink; TD 13500; API #42-495-34257 Permit issued 11/28

Oasis Petroleum Permian LLC
UL Bighorn B 21-30-19 #6202H
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Borden County

Surge Operating LLC
Nessie Unit B 34-46 #7AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2644 fnl, 660 fel, Sec 34, Blk 31, T-3-N, Abst. 829, T&P RR, 9.9 e Vealmoor; TD 9500; API #42-033-32501 Permit issued 11/29

Cochran County

Silver Creek Permian Operating Co. LLC
Butch Cassidy #3H
Cochran (San Andres)-Horizontal; 500 fnl, 1560 fel, Sec 155, Abst. 128, Sherman CSL, 14.26 sw Morton; TD 6000; API #42-079-33402 Permit issued 11/29

Gaines County

Joint Resources Company
Patriot #3H
Carter-New Mexico (San Andres)-Horizontal; 2090 fel, 595 fsl, Sec 6, Blk A-9, Abst. 590, PSL, 24.7 w Seminole; TD 5900; API #42-165-38739 Permit issued 11/30

Yoakum County

Occidental Permian Ltd.
Wasson ODC Unit #828
Wasson-Directional; 5070 fsl, 1881 fwl, Sec 824, Blk D, Abst. 656, J.H. Gibson, 4.9 ne Denver City; TD 5800; API #42-501-37065 Permit issued 11/27

Occidental Permian Ltd.
Wasson ODC Unit #856
Wasson-Directional; 7472 fnl, 163 fwl, Sec 761, Blk D, Abst. 99, J.H. Gibson, 5.1 ne Denver City; TD 5800; API #42-501-37071 Permit issued 11/30

New Mexico

Eddy County

EOG Resources Inc.
Boyd X State Com #18
North Seven Rivers; Sec 17 T19S R25E; 330/S & 500/E; 8 mi NW Lakewood; Rot 7965 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-45320

OWL SWD Operating LLC
I'M Your Hackberry St SWD #1
SWD; Sec 16 T19S R31E; 320/N & 210/E; 11 mi NW Halfway; Rot 14300 Devonian; API #30-015-45321

Chisholm Energy Operating LLC
Spitfire 16 State Com WCB #1
Purple Sage; Sec 16 T22S R26E; 120/N & 665/E; 2 mi SW Carlsbad; Rot 14700 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45318

Ridge Runner Resources Operating LLC
Viking Fee SWD #1
SWD; Sec 20 T22S R28E; 660/N & 2325/E; 4 mi NE Otis; Rot 15040 Devonian; API #30-015-45309

BOPCO LP
James Ranch Unit D1 2 BS2A 1W #224
Los Medanos; Sec 25 T22S R30E; 2600/N & 1850/W; 14 mi SW Halfway; Rot 23366 Bone Spring; API #30-015-45326

BOPCO LP
James Ranch Unit D1 2 BS2A 3W #225
Los Medanos; Sec 25 T22S R30E; 2630/N & 1850/W; 14 mi SW Halfway; Rot 23156 Bone Spring; API #30-015-45327

COG Operating LLC
Roadster State Com #808
Purple Sage; Sec 4 T24S R27E; 210/N & 330/W; 4 1/2 mi NE Black River; Rot 19652 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45319

XTO Energy Inc.
Shanghan Rooster 36 St SWD #1
SWD; Sec 36 T25S R29E; 1913/S & 2052/W; 12 mi SW Malaga; Rot 16930 Devonian; API #30-015-45308

EOG Resources Inc.
Golden Graham 1 St #701
Purple Sage; Sec 1 T26S R28E; 218/S & 699/W; 10 1/2 mi S Malaga; Rot 19803 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45322

EOG Resources Inc.
Golden Graham 1 St #702
Purple Sage; Sec 1 T26S R28E; 202/S & 1229/W; 10 1/2 mi S Malaga; Rot 19805 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45323

EOG Resources Inc.
Golden Graham 1 St #7211
Purple Sage; Sec 1 T26S R28E; 221/S & 732/W; 10 1/2 mi S Malaga; Rot 20048 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45324

EOG Resources Inc.
Golden Graham 1 St #722
Purple Sage; Sec 1 T26S R28E; 202/S & 1262/W; 10 1/2 mi S Malaga; Rot 20057 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45325

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Fuller 13 24 W2JO Fed #1
Purple Sage; Sec 13 T26S R29E; 2500/N & 1950/E; 15 mi SE Malaga; Rot 19069 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45328

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Fuller 13 24 W1JO Fed #2
Purple Sage; Sec 13 T26S R29E; 2500/N & 1910/E; 15 mi SE Malaga; Rot 18172 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45329

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Fuller 13 12 W2GB Fed #3
Purple Sage; Sec 13 T26S R29E; 2500/N & 1870/E; 15 mi SE Malaga; Rot 18706 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-45330

Lea County

EOG Resources Inc.
Berry 8 State Com #201
North Berry; Sec 8 T21S R34E; 2129/N & 816/E; 13 mi W Oil Center; Rot 19723 Bone Spring; API #30-025-45253

Matador Production Co.
Dee Osborne 19 State #121
Wilson; Sec 19 T21S R35E; 362/S & 180/W; 8 1/2 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 9868 Bone Spring; API #30-025-45249

Matador Production Co.
Dee Osborne 19 State #122
Wilson; Sec 19 T21S R35E; 275/S & 1982/W; 8 1/2 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 10131 Bone Spring; API #30-025-45250

Matador Production Co.
Dee Osborne 19 State #123
Wilson; Sec 19 T21S R35E; 615/S & 1524/E; 8 1/2 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 9862 Bone Spring; API #30-025-45251

Matador Production Co.
Dee Osborne 19 State #124
Wilson; Sec 19 T21S R35E; 195/S & 550/E; 8 1/2 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 10076 Bone Spring; API #30-025-45252

COG Operating LLC
Van Gogh Fee #101
North Red Hills; Sec 11 T24S R34E; 210/N & 2630/E; 3 mi N Ochoa; Rot 13863 Bone Spring; API #30-025-45255

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Flagler 8 Fed #26
Red Hills; Sec 8 T25S R33E; 380/S & 2630/E; 9 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 14309 Bone Spring; API #30-025-45259

Ameredev Operating LLC
Nandina 25 36 31 Federal Com #115
West Jal; Sec 31 T25S R36E; 200/S & 2290/E; 6 mi SW Jal; Rot 22274 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-45246

Ameredev Operating LLC
Nandina 25 36 31 Federal Com #125
West Jal; Sec 31 T25S R36E; 200/S & 2270/E; 6 mi SW Jal; Rot 22396 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-45244

EOG Resources Inc.
Rattlesnake 28 Fed #712
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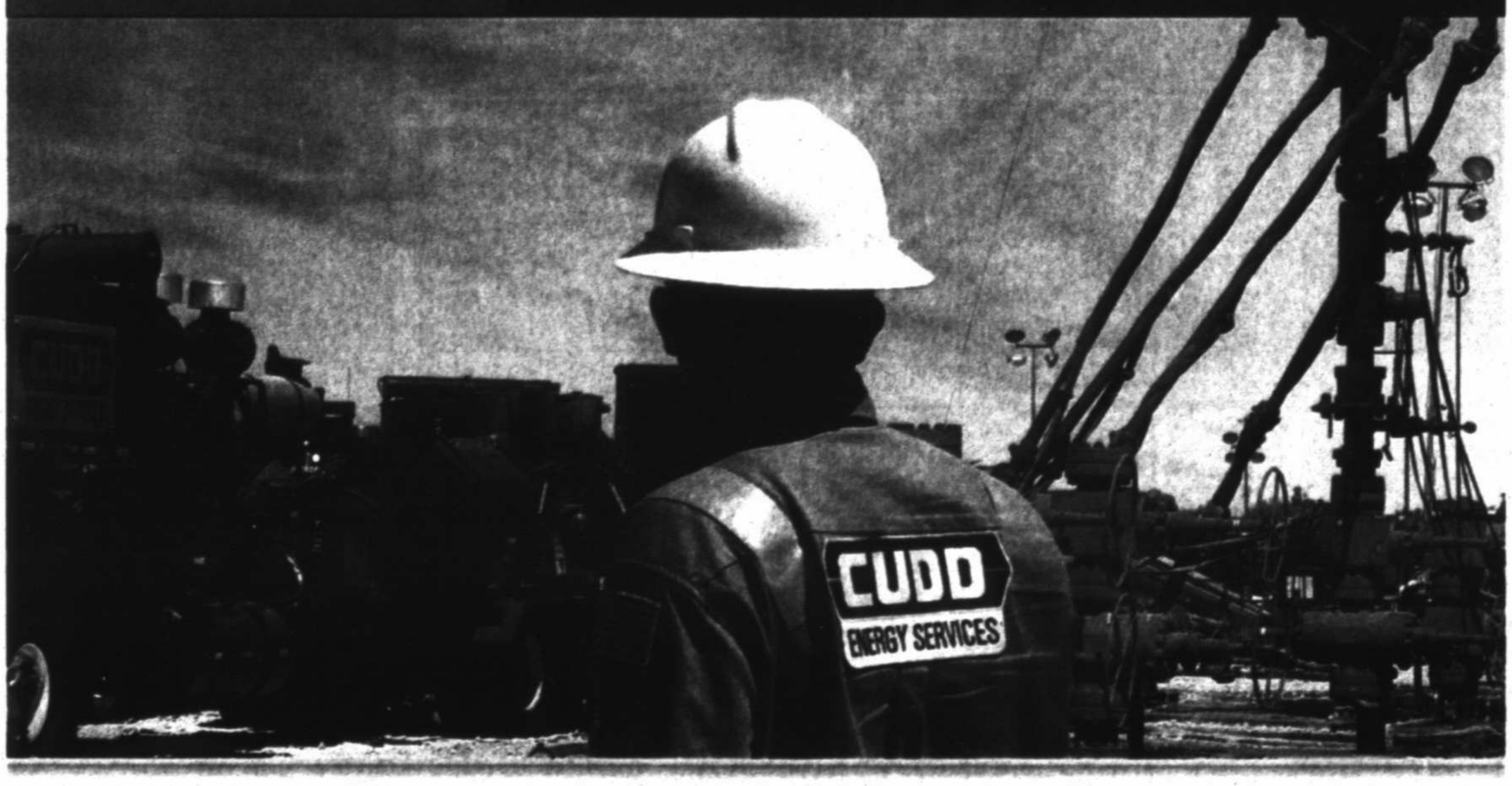
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