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Former President George H.W. Bush celebrated his 90th birthday on Thursday by making a tandem parachute jump near his summer home in coastal Maine, fulfilling a goal he made five years ago.

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City to put extra revenue into rainy day fund

Sales tax revenue used for city operations; excess stored in fund balance

By Joseph Basco
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For the first time in Midland's history, the city's monthly sales tax revenue stream has yet to dip below \$3 million since the start of the fiscal year in October.

If trends continue, the city will once again have a record-setting sales tax year. The city forecasts \$40 million by the end of the fiscal year on Sept. 30, \$2.6 million more than fiscal year 2013.

"We're already at \$32 million, and we have three more months to get it," said Pam Simecka, the city's finance director.

The city's collection from the State Comptroller's Office for June came out to \$3.6 million. The lowest amount so far this year was \$3.1 million in April; the highest was \$4.3 million in February.

Upon receipt of sales tax revenue, the money goes into the general fund with all other revenue sources to pay for all the operations of the city. Any extra money not budgeted will go into the unappropriated fund balance.

For fiscal year 2013, the city had \$38.7 million in its fund balance.

Any fund balance expenditure has to be approved by City Council. Several recent examples of fund balance expenditures include \$200,000 for a hike and bike trail and \$841,287 for construction of the new Municipal Court, estimated to cost \$10.2 million.

The other option, if the city manager and Midland City Council choose not to spend from the fund balance, is to issue bonds. The city has a total debt principal of \$120.4 million, according to the Texas Bond Review Board.

"In my past experience, usually you look at the bigger items for bonding," Simecka said. "The things that are going to have a longer life span. That way they will last past

the 20 years (the final debt payment)."

The city issued certificates of obligation worth \$28 million in November to be used for infrastructure projects, information systems projects and parks and recreation expenditures.

And to keep bond ratings high, the city maintains its fund balance equal to at least 25 percent of each fiscal year's budgeted expenditures, according to the city budget.

But Simecka did not know the precise amounts of sales tax revenue that are divided between the general fund and unappropriated fund balance.

"I suspect that it's been mostly the extra sales tax money that has flown down to the bottom (unappropriated fund balance)," Simecka said. "In the past, property taxes is usually pretty predictable within a short span. Sales tax, especially here, has been ... you guys have been going crazy."

POOLS SAFETY TRAINING



Photos by Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

ABOVE: Midland Fire Department firefighter Rusty Welch works with recruits on safety measures during water rescues Thursday at Washington Pool. BELOW: MFD training recruit London Webb throws a safety line as he and others practice water rescue techniques.

MFD warns families of drowning dangers

By Rachael Gleason
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With an average of two child drowning deaths in Midland each summer, officials are urging families to take proper precautions at the pool.

Drowning is the top cause of accidental deaths for young children nationwide, according to the city. And the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services has reported more than 20 drowning deaths statewide this year.

A training session held Thursday gave local firefighter-paramedics the chance to brush up their CPR skills. But Midland Fire Department Capt. Aaron Cox said drowning deaths are 100 percent preventable if swimmers are trained, pools have the right enclosures and parents provide proper supervision.

"It's not just in the pool," said Cox, warning parents to closely watch top-heavy toddlers around bathtubs, toilets and buckets of water. "Once they are in there, they can't get out."



If kids do go under, he said secondary drowning can occur — causing delayed drowning symptoms that can lead to death.

"Anyone that has any type of drowning episode should be evaluated by a

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HUD offers public servants 50 percent discount on Midland home

By Cale Ottens
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Most Midlanders could only dream about purchasing a three-bedroom house for less than \$100,000 in today's market, but a government program may make it a reality.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, through its "Good Neighbor Next Door" program, offers a 50 percent discount to law enforcement officers, teachers, firefighters and emergency medical technicians who are in the market for a home.

The house, however, must be HUD-owned and located within a region designated by the department as a "revitalization area."

HUD deems revitalization areas after it reviews household income, homeownership rate and foreclosure activity among mortgages insured by the Federal Housing Administration.

Midland has two revitalization areas — one near the southwest corner of Wadley Avenue and Midland Drive. The other is between Big Spring Street and Lamesa Road, south of Scharbauer Drive. The number of houses in each area is not specified.

Warren Ivey, a local real estate agent, said the areas are relatively small and it's rare to find a HUD-owned property inside Midland's designated regions.

But one qualifying house finally became available Wednesday, the first to do so since 2011, Ivey said. The window for public servants to take advantage of the discount is limited.

The house, at 405 Elm Ave., is listed for \$190,000 and HUD will offer the discount until 11:59 p.m. Tuesday, Ivey said. If no one submits a bid, the property will be listed on the market at full price Wednesday.

The program requires applicants to be approved for a mortgage equal to the full listing amount, which cannot be negotiated. Additionally, the home must be the applicant's "primary residence" for three years, meaning it cannot be an investment property used to earn rent.

If HUD receives multiple offers, it will select a winning bid at random, Ivey said. Each offer is essentially identical because each bid must be for the exact listing price.

Once an offer is accepted, the new homeowner will sign two mortgage notes. HUD holds the note for one of the mortgage notes, valued at the discount amount. Homeowners will not have to make payments or pay interest on the "silent second" mortgage as long as they

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Ruby Dee's legacy of activism, acting remembered

Associated Press

NEW YORK — For Ruby Dee, acting and activism were not contradictory things. They were inseparable and they were intertwined.

The African-American actress who earned lead roles in movies and on Broadway also spent her entire life fighting against injustice, even emceeing the 1963 March on Washington and protesting apartheid in South Africa.

"We are image makers. Why can't we image makers become peacemakers, too?" she asked after she and her husband, Ossie Davis, accepted the Screen Actors Guild Award for Lifetime Achievement in 2000.

That legacy of entertaining and pushing for change — in addition to her epic love affair with Davis — made Dee, who died at age 91 in her New Rochelle, New York, home on Wednesday night, a beloved figure in America and beyond. Broadway theaters will dim their lights in her honor tonight.

As a sign of how influential Dee has been to generations of performers, she was thanked twice from the podium at this Sunday's Tony Awards — by six-time winner Audra McDonald and new Tony winner director Kenny Leon.

"She will be missed but never forgotten as she lives on in many of us," Leon said in a statement Thursday, noting that Dee's passing came just weeks after the death of Maya Angelou. "Maya and Ruby leave us only days apart — those two women with four letter names instructed us on how to live."

Dee's long career earned her an Emmy, a Grammy, two Screen Actors Guild awards, the NAACP Image Award, Kennedy Center Honors, the National Medal of Art, and the National Civil Rights Museum's Lifetime Achievement Award. She got an Oscar nomination at age 83 for best supporting actress for her role in the 2007 film "American Gangster."

Spike Lee, who directed Dee and her husband in "Do the Right Thing," took to Instagram to say he was "crushed." He said it was one of his "great blessings in life to work with two of the finest artists and activists — Ruby and Ossie."

Dee made her Broadway debut in the original production of "South Pacific" and in 1959 starred in the Broadway premiere of "A Raisin in the Sun," Lorraine Hansberry's landmark play about black frustration amid racial discrimination, opposite Sidney Poitier. Both reprised that role in the film two years later.

Davis and Dee, who met in 1945 when she auditioned for the Broadway play "Jeb," and married on a day off from another play in 1948, shared billing in 11 stage productions and five movies during long parallel careers.

But they were more than a performing couple. They were also activists who fought for civil rights, particularly for blacks. "We used the arts as part of our struggle," she said in 2006.

Along with film, stage and television, their richly honored careers extended to a radio show, "The Ossie Davis and Ruby Dee Story Hour," that featured a mix of black themes. Davis directed one of their joint film appearances, "Countdown at Kusini" (1976).

As young performers, they participated in the growing movement for social and racial justice in the United States. They were friends with barrier-breaking baseball star Jackie Robinson and his wife, Rachel — Dee played her, opposite Robinson himself, in the 1950 movie, "The Jackie Robinson Story" — and with the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. and Malcolm X. Both spoke at both the funerals for King and Malcolm X.

Obituaries



Rosaura Rivas (Rosie)

Rosaura Rivas (Rosie), beloved wife, mother and grandmother, went to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on June 11, 2014.

Rosie was born in Durango, Mexico to David Meraz Veloz and Concepcion Delgado Meraz. After the death of her father, her family moved to Texas.

She attended Midland schools and Childers Cosmetology College. Rosie married Julian David Rivas (J.D.) of Midland, Texas in December of 1960. Together they raised three children in Midland and enjoyed 54 years of marriage.

In 1963, she opened two beauty salons, Modern Miss, later re-named New Image Beauty Salon, and Silver Shears Beauty Salon. She worked for 50 years as a hair dresser where she met many wonderful friends.

Rosie is survived by her husband, Julian David Rivas (J.D.); daughter, Lety Pina (husband Eddie) from San Antonio, Texas; son, David Rivas (wife Susan) from Midland, Texas; son, Donny

Rivas from Midland, Texas; seven grandchildren; Marcus Pina and Andrew Pina from San Antonio, Texas; Trey Rivas, Lauren Rivas, and Lane Rivas from Midland, Texas; Jordan Rivas and Reagan Rivas from Midland, Texas; four sisters, Beatriz Carrasco from Irving, Texas, Sylvia Sanchez from Midland, Texas, Oralia (Lala) Hernandez from Midland, Texas, Norma de Luna from Midland, Texas; one brother, Cruz Montanez, Jr. from Denver, Colorado; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents; step-father Cruz Montanez, Sr.; and a niece Carmen Urias.

Rosie loved the Lord, her family, and her church family. Her grandchildren were the light of her life. Known only as "Mimi," she was a great "Mimi," always ready to spoil, help and take care of them. Rosie loved to travel and go on vacation with them as well.

Mimi loved to cook carnitas and fideos for her family and grandchildren. In addition, she had many sweet friends and enjoyed the friendships over the years at "Gigi's" and "Mimi's" house.

On February 3, 1969, Rosie accepted the Lord Jesus as her Lord and Savior. She became an active member of Kelview Heights Baptist Church. She volunteered to work in the nursery taking care of infants in the late 1960's. Then, together with her husband J.D., Rosie taught Sunday school to first and second grade children for many years. She loved to go to summer camps as a sponsor and ski trips to Colorado with church groups. She used to say, "Those were the good old days of my life." She loved and appreciated her home church family, her Harvest Sunday school class, and the staff including Pastors Jeff Franklin, Jerry Berry, and Frank Johnson.

The family would like to acknowledge the care given by Midland Memorial Hospital doctors, nurses, and staff.

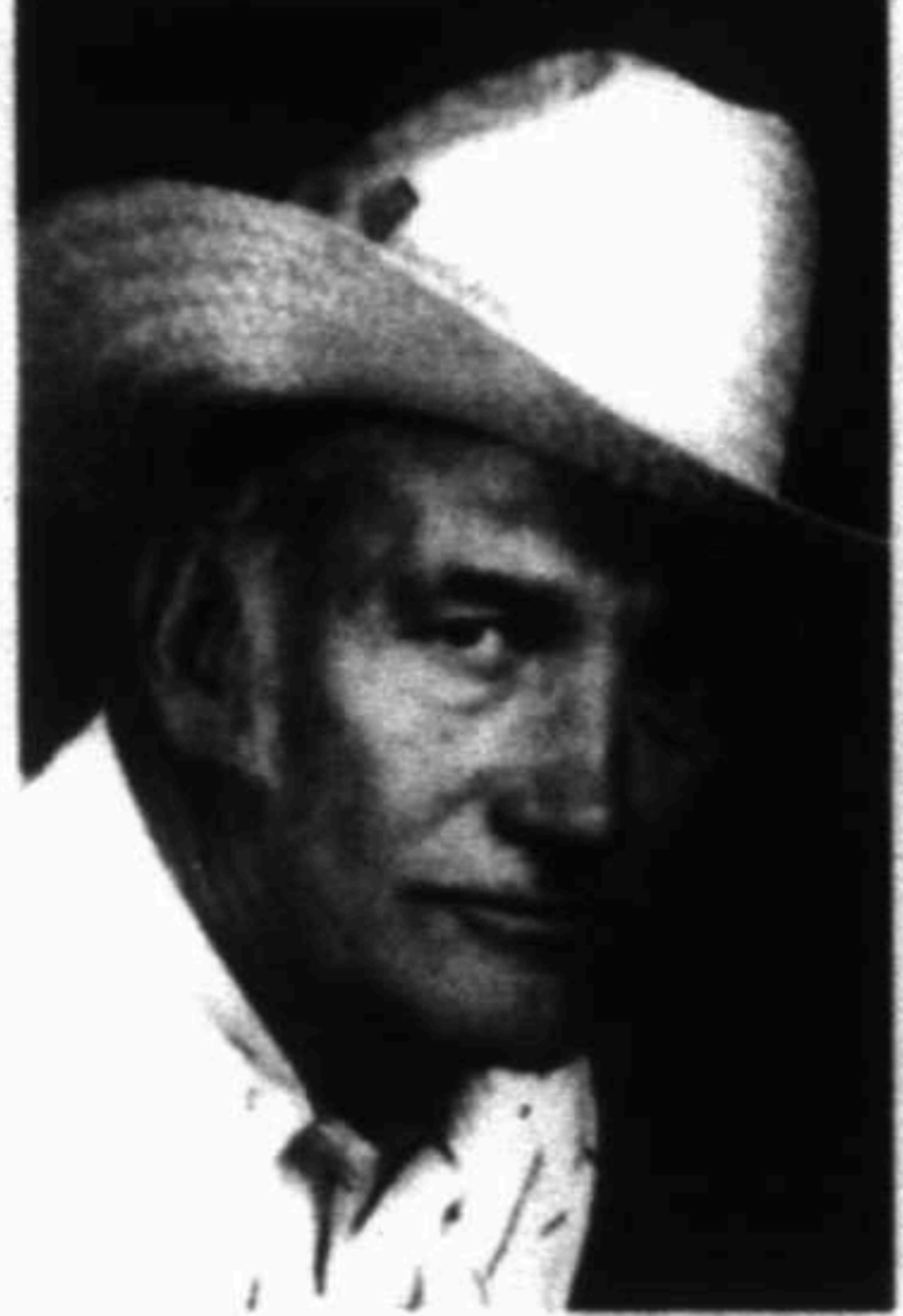
A Wake service will be held on Friday, June 13, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. with a visitation to follow from 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral

Home. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, June 14, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. at Kelview Heights Baptist Church at 402 W. Scharbauer Drive with Pastor Jeff Franklin officiating. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park, 4616 N. Big Spring St.

Pallbearers are Scott Kenney, Jim Dillow, Cruz Montanez, Mark Jones, David Wassenberg, Charlie Adams, Paul Fino, Jerry Dunn. Honorary Pallbearers are Marcus Pina, Trey Rivas, Lauren Rivas, Jordan Rivas, Andrew Pina, Lane Rivas, Reagan Rivas, Karissa Montanez, and Robyn Montanez.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to the Special Olympics, Chapter 20, Delegation: Four Stars.

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



William Earl Rickey

William Earl Rickey, 79, of Midland, passed away Wednesday, June 11, 2014.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Friday, June 13, 2014, at the funeral home. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, June 14, 2014, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel in Midland with Rev. Bob Porterfield, officiating. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

William was born in Shidler, Oklahoma, on September 19, 1934. Bill served in the United States Army from 1952 to September

1955 overseas in Korea. In 1953, he met and married Wynell Stephens. They have been married 61 years on May 19, 2014. He attended college after getting out of the service. He then went to work for Humble Oil in 1962 in Durango, Colorado. He moved to St. Elmo, Illinois, in 1963, and to Midland in 1970. He retired in 1986 from Exxon.

The last few years, Bill had worked part time for the post office. He hauled the mail from Claydesta to the Midland air terminal three times a day. Bill was a member of the VFW, American Legion, D.A.V. and Elks Lodge.

He is survived by his wife, Wynell of Midland; sons, Steve Rickey and Glen Rickey, both of Midland; grandchildren, Shaun Hollums and wife Bridgett of Houston, Texas, Stephanie and husband Jimmie Williams of Greenville, South Carolina, Elizabeth Rickey of Austin, Texas, Rachel Rickey of Denver, Colorado, and Will Rickey of Midland; great grandchildren, Christopher and Sloane Williams; sister, Madonna Smith of Amarillo, Texas; and brother, David Rickey of Phoenix, Arizona.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Rickey; his sister, Marjorie Griffin; and his daughter, Karen W. Rickey.

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

Death Notices

Bascom Loran Mitchell

Bascom Loran Mitchell passed away peacefully at his home with his family surrounding him on June 9, 2014.

Bascom is survived by his loving wife, Margaret Anne, and their four children, Leonard Mitchell, Melissa Rogers, David Mitchell, and Beverly Mitchell; and one brother.

A memorial service will be held at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 3011 Kansas, on Friday, June 13, 2014, at 1:30 p.m.



Linda Herren, Republican National Committeewoman from Georgia, holds an elephant's trunk in front of the American Airlines Center during a visit by members of the Republican National Committee scouting a 2016 Convention host site in Dallas on Thursday. American Airlines Center would serve as the convention site if Dallas' bid is successful. Dallas is competing with Denver, Cleveland and Kansas City.

Dallas uses elephants to woo officials for 2016 Republican convention

By Nomaan Merchant
Associated Press

DALLAS — Two elephants waving their trunks, cheerleaders and indoor fireworks greeted Republican National Committee members on Thursday as they visited Dallas during the last of four trips to cities competing to host the 2016 Republican convention.

Dallas officials touted the city's experience with major events, ties to the GOP and \$45 million in pledges and state funding so far. But they also added several flourishes to the presentation.

The biggest was the elephants, the symbol of the Republican Party. Under a light rain, the pachyderms stood at the end of a red carpet leading into the American Airlines Center, the downtown Dallas arena that would host a convention.

"I didn't wake up this morning thinking I was going to pet a couple of elephants on the way into the arena, but that was certainly a nice

touch," RNC Chairman Reince Priebus laughed later. "Only in Dallas would something like that happen."

Priebus and other committee members were shown a video of President Ronald Reagan telling the 1984 GOP convention in Dallas that he wished for a victory "the size of the heart of Texas." That followed with singing and a balloon drop as fireworks went off above the arena's court.

Priebus stressed that while he enjoyed the show, the party would eventually have to make "a business decision."

Dallas is competing with Denver, Cleveland and Kansas City.

Bid officials here have a \$25 million guarantee from Texas' major events fund, which issues loans repaid through local sales taxes and other levies. They also have obtained \$20 million in private donor pledges, and predict they can reach a \$60 million target for local funding.

City officials think the convention would be a boon to hotels and local business as well as Dallas' national reputation.

that is going to be tiebreaker, but you've got to make sure you get the tie, and I think we're explaining it well," Dallas Mayor Mike Rawlings said.

One potential hurdle is that Dallas likely could not host the convention starting on June 27, 2016, one of two potential dates Priebus mentioned Thursday. The Dallas Mavericks and Dallas Stars want to hold the arena through late June in case either team advances deep into the playoffs.

AT&T Stadium, the behemoth 5-year-old home of the Dallas Cowboys, could host one of the convention's four days or other events, but RNC officials have ruled it out as a site for the entire convention.

Priebus acknowledged the issue but said there were several factors that would determine the ultimate winner.

"If I could pick the same place and the same venue for the winning city, I would choose the June date, if everything was equal," Priebus said. "But it's not equal."

The RNC is expected to make its selection in August.

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Gov. Perry proposes plan to ease VA backlog

By Juan A. Lozano and Paul J. Weber
Associated Press

FORT HOOD — Gov. Rick Perry on Thursday proposed a partnership between Texas health care providers and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs that would help reduce backlogs at VA facilities by expanding health care options for veterans in the state.

During an appearance at Fort Hood, Perry announced efforts to identify Texas hospitals willing to take more patients from backlogged VA facilities. "There is no greater charge than taking care of those who have served in our nation's Armed Forces, which is why we are working to offer alternatives for veterans who have found their federal options lacking, or worse, nonexistent," Perry said at a ground-

breaking for a new medical facility specializing in mental health treatment.

Perry also proposed reimbursement for participating Texas hospitals through Medicare so providers are paid more quickly.

Several of the largest health systems in Texas — some of which already accept VA patients — have signed onto the idea, according to Perry aides. Perry's plans would require the federal government's approval.

Also Thursday, officials with the Texas Veterans Commission announced they are looking at setting up "state strike force teams" that would help with delays in access to health care. These teams of counselors would work with veterans on getting them quicker access to health care.

The U.S. Senate and House this week have

passed bills making it easier for veterans who have encountered delays getting initial visits to receive VA-paid treatment from local doctors instead. Perry spokeswoman Lucy Nashed said Perry's proposal to the Veteran Affairs Department builds on those measures by identifying hospitals "willing to step up" and offering a solution to slow reimbursements for providers.

Federal data released this week showed that VA facilities in Texas have some of the longest wait times for veterans trying to see a doctor for the first time. The FBI has launched an investigation into the Veteran Affairs Department amid allegations of falsified records and inappropriate scheduling practices.

Veterans aren't supposed to wait more than 14 days for an appointment,

but a national audit this week stated that's "not attainable," given growing demand for VA services and poor planning.

Among providers that have bought into the plan proposed by Perry are Baylor Scott and White, Christus Health and hospitals and clinics operated by the University of North Texas and University of Texas systems, Nashed said.

Christus Health spokeswoman Abby McNeil said their system that operates more than 40 hospitals and facilities in Texas and beyond has difficulties getting reimbursed for VA patients. Christus now has a backlog of 1,500 claims

across Texas that are more than 30 days late in being paid, she said, adding that the system has sought help from Texas' congressional delegation.

The idea for the "strike force teams" was discussed during a meeting in Houston Thursday of the state Senate Veteran Affairs and Military Installations Committee.

The teams would be similar to ones set up in 2012 to deal with disability claims backlogs at VA facilities in the state.

State Sen. Leticia Van de Putte, D-San Antonio, who chairs the committee, said she has asked the Texas Veterans Commission to

create a plan within the next two weeks for the new teams.

At Thursday's hearing, Georgia Barraza, told committee members about delays her father, George Barraza, 59, encountered in trying to get medical care at a VA facility in Houston. She said her father died in April as he waited for a June appointment to get treatment for liver cancer.

"I just feel if my dad had money, private insurance, maybe he would have been diagnosed. Maybe he would be here today. I don't feel he was taken care of in the way he should have been," Barraza said.

Front-runner emerges for Cantor's post

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — California Republican Kevin McCarthy quickly amassed support to become House majority leader on Thursday, but his likely ascent shut conservatives out of the chamber's top leadership jobs, leaving them fuming and exposing deep fissures within the GOP.

Within 48 hours of Rep. Eric Cantor's lightning primary-election downfall, McCarthy and his deputies aggressively rounded up votes with a pitch to Southern Republicans and pointed private conversations on the House floor in a race that occasionally had the markings of a personality-driven contest for class president.

Republicans sought to project an aura of unity but failed to quiet conservative complaints that such quick party elections after Cantor's defeat gave them little time to rally around an alternative who better reflects the right's ideology and the emboldened tea party. Votes are scheduled for next Thursday for majority leader, the No. 2 job behind Speaker John Boehner, and for majority whip, the No. 3 party post.

But that may well not be the end of it. Several Republicans asserted that next week's action won't quiet ambitious lawmakers or factions in the GOP caucus, and leadership contests after November's national midterm elections

could produce a brand new lineup.

Despite conservative discontent, Boehner's job does not appear to be in serious jeopardy for now. But some lawmakers noted there was a limit to his security.

"The speaker is speaker in 24-hour increments. Literally 50 guys can call a revolt," said Rep. Tom Cole of Oklahoma, a Boehner ally.

Cantor suffered a stunning defeat to little-known college professor Dave Brat in Tuesday's Virginia Republican primary, a race that underscored the rift within the GOP between pragmatic, establishment conservatives and farther-right contenders pressing for no-compromise ideological stances. Brat cast Cantor's past positive comments on possible immigration changes as amnesty for those here illegally — a characterization Cantor heatedly rejected — and turned it into a defining issue in the race.

Cantor is the first House majority leader to lose his seat by being defeated in a party primary election since the post was created in 1899, according to Eric Ostermeier, research associate at the University of Minnesota's Center for the Study of Politics and Governance.

Cantor announced on Wednesday that he would step down as majority leader at the end of July. He endorsed McCarthy as his successor and the House whip moved swiftly to

secure the votes.

"I don't think anyone counts votes better around here, and I think he has a very, very commanding lead," said Rep. Cole.

McCarthy, the four-term congressman from Bakersfield, California, will face Texas Rep. Pete Sessions, the chairman of the Rules Committee, in the contest for majority leader. Another Texan with stronger bona fides in the conservative ranks, Rep. Jeb Hensarling, passed on the race on Thursday, saying, "After prayerful reflection, I have come to the conclusion that this is not the right office at the right time for me and my family."

If conservatives were powerless to put the brakes on McCarthy's quick rise they weren't keeping quiet about their frustration.

Rep. Steve King, R-Iowa, was among several lawmakers calling on GOP leaders to put off the election, suggesting it was rigged.

"Leadership's tactic has always been call the election as fast as you can, don't let anybody have time to organize except those who had the heads-up and the head start," King said. Hensarling had been the conservatives' choice, and King and others had no one else to get behind.

"I'm looking for a candidate that has not supported some form of amnesty, and Jeb fit that, and now we don't have an announced candidate that fits that and I'm very troubled by that," King said.

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Today in Midland history

On June 13, 2012, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service ended an 18-month process when it announced that it would not place the dunes sagebrush lizard on the Endangered Species List. Officials believe a listing would have negatively affected the region's oil and ranching economy.

It's Friday the 13th

Friday the 13th is believed to be a day of bad luck. The fear of Friday the 13th is called friggatriskaidekaphobia — "Frigg" is the Norse goddess whose Friday is named after and "triskaidekaphobia" means the fear of "13." Note: This is the only Friday the 13th in 2014. There will be three in 2015.

Source: www.timeanddate.com

Things to do

- Pedals, Pipes and Pizza: An introduction to the pipe organ for elementary students. 10 a.m.-1 p.m., First Presbyterian Church in Midland, 684-7821.
- Family Friday, Mystery Mayhem and Science with Basin PBS, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Museum of the Southwest, museumsww.org.
- Storytime for children age 3 to 5, 10:30 a.m., Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, 685-7376.
- The Geezers, 8 p.m. at Noel Plaza in Odessa, mainstreetodessa.com/hotsummer.
- Ernesto Calderon at Abuelos.
- West Texas Tejano Blowout at Star of Texas Ranch, tejanoblowlout.com.
- Chris Tucker, 8 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, wagnernoel.com.
- Summer Mummer's "Desert of the Dead" at Yucca Theatre, summermummers.com.
- "Alone Yet Not Alone" film opening at Regal Tall City 14, aloneyetnotalone.com.
- Movie in the Park, "Frozen," 9-11 p.m., Grata Park, midlandtexas.gov.

Club meetings today

■ Permian Toastmasters 1509 noon, Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, 206 S. Marnefeld St. Celeste Perez, 682-2960 or celeste@midlandhcc.com

New movies in Midland

- At Tall City 14: "How to Train Your Dragon 2," "22 Jump Street"
- At Cinergy Cinemas: "How to Train Your Dragon 2," "22 Jump Street"
- At Big Sky Drive-in: "How to Train Your Dragon 2," "22 Jump Street"

City pool hours today

Doug Russell Pool, 900 N. Midland Drive, noon-7 p.m.
Washington Pool, 1601 E. Indiana Ave., noon-7 p.m.
Admission cost
Entry fee is \$2, kids under 2 are free

Gas prices in Midland

Cheapest gas: \$3.35 (five locations in northwest and central Midland)
Most expensive gas: \$3.59 (Fina, Loop 250/North County Road 1140)
Most common price: \$3.49
Cheapest prices in West Texas:
Lubbock \$3.23, San Angelo \$3.34, Midland \$3.35, Odessa \$3.39, Abilene \$3.43

	Midland	Odessa	Texas
Thursday	\$3.470	\$3.470	\$3.430
Last week	\$3.488	\$3.488	\$3.442
Last month	\$3.548	\$3.548	\$3.415
Last year	\$3.406	\$3.406	\$3.388

Source: TexasGasPrices.com

'Frozen' at Grata Park

The city of Midland's Parks and Recreation Department will host a free showing of "Frozen" today at Grata Park, 3201 Ma Mar Ave., as part of its ongoing Movies in the Parks series. Bring your kids, lawn chairs and blankets for this family friendly event, which will begin at 9 p.m. For more information, please call 685-7355.

Source: City of Midland

Community calendar

■ My Community Federal Credit Union, 4001 N. Big Spring St., will host a Bicycle Rodeo and Operation I.D. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.
The Midland Police Department will be on hand to help teach children how to safely ride bikes, and McGruff the Police Dog will be at the event.
Children wishing to participate in the Bicycle Rodeo need to bring their own bikes.
■ Shooting for Hope Sporting Clays Shoot for the benefit of Hope House is June 27 at Jake's Clays. Fee is \$175 per shooter and sponsorships are available. The event, sponsored by the Midland RockHounds, begins at 9 a.m.; lunch will be served at noon.
For more information, call 570-0290.

Correction

Matt Maher is performing July 13 at Cimarex Energy Pavilion. A list in The Weekender had the wrong date.
The Reporter-Telegram regrets the error.

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 6-7-5
Pick 3 day: 7-8-8
Pick 3 evening: 6-3-1
Pick 3 night: 2-0-0
Daily 4 morning: 4-7-0-4
Daily 4 day: 3-7-0-4
Daily 4 evening: 6-1-3-1
Daily 4 night: 6-3-1-9
Cash Five: 5-9-29-32-33
Texas Two Step: 3-4-11-13 BB: 15
All or Nothing morning: 7-8-9-12-14-15-18-19-20-21-23-24
All or Nothing day: 1-3-5-8-10-11-15-18-19-21-23-24
All or Nothing evening: 3-4-9-11-12-14-15-16-17-19-20-23
All or Nothing night: 1-2-5-9-11-13-14-18-19-22-23-24

Iraq violence threatens OPEC's precarious balance

By Jonathan Fahey
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The upheaval in Iraq could throw the world's remarkably stable oil market out of balance, threatening a delicate equilibrium that has kept prices steady for much of the last four years.

Iraqi oil production is at risk because of the outbreak of violence involving militant groups who seized two cities this week and have pledged to march on Baghdad.

For now, the fighting is mostly in Iraq's north, away from important oil-producing regions in the south. But the turmoil sent the price of Brent crude, the key international benchmark, up 2.8 percent Thursday to \$113.02, its biggest gain since August.

More important, it raised questions about Iraq's ability to continue to rebuild its oil infrastructure and increase production to meet rising global demand.

Global oil markets have been unusually steady since mid-2011. Dramatic changes in oil production around the globe have offset each other instead of wreaking havoc. That has helped keep world oil prices high enough to provide OPEC countries with robust income, but not so high that they scare customers away from buying more oil.

"Everybody's happy," Secretary General Abdullah Al-Badry said Wednesday in Vienna after the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries concluded a semiannual meeting.

Brent has hovered in the range of \$110 per barrel over much of the last four years, with only occasional volatility. That has also led to stable gasoline prices for U.S. drivers, who have been paying in the neighborhood of \$3.50 per gallon.

"It's comfortable for everyone," said Judith Dworkin, chief energy economist at ITG Investment Research. "The global economy has recovered, oil demand is growing at trend, and prices are high and stable."

But the comfortable market masks some difficult realities that OPEC has so far been lucky to avoid. There have been production booms in some areas of the world that could have sent prices plummeting. And there have been shortages in other areas, including in OPEC countries, that could have sent prices rocketing higher.

OPEC has been fortunate, experts say, because the organization would be hard-pressed to adjust if this precarious balance were upended. OPEC members have a limited ability to either raise or lower production to steady the market, they say.

Instead, "OPEC hasn't had to make difficult decisions," said Michael Levi, Director of the Program on Energy Security at the Council on Foreign Relations.

Production from non-OPEC countries, driven especially by a boom in U.S. shale oil, has risen by 4 million barrels per day over the last four years. That's more than the entire output of Canada, the world's fifth-largest producer, and more than enough to push oil prices lower.

At the same time, Iraqi output has risen 22 percent since 2011 to 3.3 million barrels per day, further adding to supplies. That too could have pushed oil prices lower.

But prices haven't fallen, in part because production from other OPEC members has fallen — though not because of a concerted effort by OPEC. Libyan production has been almost completely held out of

What is going on in Iraq and why?

An al-Qaida breakaway group, apparently backed by other Sunni groups and fighters, has seized a large section of northern Iraq after previously taking much of northeastern Syria with an eye toward establishing an Islamic state straddling the two countries. The situation on the ground is changing rapidly, but some patterns and explanations are now emerging:

Q: Why is this happening now?
A: The group, the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant, is taking advantage of two trends: growing discontent among Iraq's minority Sunnis toward Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki's Shiite-led government, which they accuse of discrimination; and the increasingly sectarian dimension of the Syrian civil war, as mostly Sunni rebels fight to oust a regime dominated by members of a Shiite sect. Taking advantage of the breakdown of state authority, militant fighters easily cross the border. The Iraqi territory recently seized by militants is populated overwhelmingly by Sunnis, many of whom, at least for now, may see al-Maliki as more of a threat than the Islamic State. Signs are also emerging that the Islamic State is backed in its current campaign by former military officers and other members of ousted dictator Saddam Hussein's regime.

Q: Will Iraq be a divided state?
A: The recent developments have renewed the possibility, much discussed during the war a decade ago, that Iraq be divided into three separate regions or even nations — the mostly Shiite section, made up of Baghdad and much of the south and east bordering Iran; a Sunni area, comprised of western Iraq and parts of the north; and a Kurdish zone, also in the north and including the cities of Irbil and Kirkuk, which Saddam tried to populate with Arabs.

Q: What happened to the Iraqi security forces? Why won't they fight?
A: Corruption and sectarianism are widespread problems in the security forces, with little sense of professionalism or loyalty to the Baghdad government — even though Sunnis make up most of the army. Also, Islamic militants are terrorizing Sunni soldiers and police, in at least one case beheading an officer and then distributing a video of the attack.

Q: How have the rebels been able to move so quickly?
A: The Islamic State commands between 7,000 and 10,000 fighters, according to U.S. intelligence officials. The group's military strategy is still somewhat of a mystery, but the extremists have cunningly crafted their tactics and message to meet local considerations. In Syria, they are quite open about their ideology and goals, imposing their strict brand of Islamic law, banning music and executing people in the main square of the city of Raqqa, which they control. In Iraq, they focus on portraying themselves as the protectors of the Sunni community from al-Maliki's government and have at least so far overlooked some practices they consider forbidden.

Q: What role are the Kurds playing?
A: Kurdish fighters from the ethnic group's autonomous enclave in the north are showing signs of taking a greater role in fighting back against the Islamic State. Their role is a potential point of friction because both Sunni and Shiite Arabs are wary over Kurdish claims on territory outside their enclave.

Q: What is Iran's position?
A: Iran's president has blasted the Islamic State as "barbaric" and its foreign minister offered his country's support to Iraq in its "fight against terrorism." Iran has halted flights to Baghdad and is beefing up border security. As a Shiite country, Iran shares an affinity with the current governments of Iraq and Syria.

Q: Why do I see different names for the group?
A: The Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant is a literal translation. It's also sometimes called other names including the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria. The name refers to the group's stated goal of restoring a medieval Islamic state, or caliphate, in Iraq and Greater Syria, also known as the Levant — traditional names for a region stretching from southern Turkey to Egypt on the eastern Mediterranean.

Associated Press

the market due to political and labor unrest. Western sanctions against Iran, once the world's second-largest exporter, have reduced Iranian output by about one-fifth. And production from Venezuela and Nigeria has slipped because of economic and political difficulties.

The rise in production in the U.S. and elsewhere has matched almost exactly the rise in world demand, from 88.5 million barrels a day in 2010 to an estimated 92.8 million barrels a day this year. It also helped cushion the market somewhat from unexpected disruptions.

In early 2011, when Libya descended into violence, Brent crude experienced the kind of spike that has become rare, to nearly \$126 per barrel. While Iraq's violence this week isn't as widespread, the oil market's reaction — a rise of 2 percent — is probably much more modest than it would have been years earlier.

Changes to this scenario would put OPEC in a difficult spot. Analysts believe OPEC nations, other than Saudi Arabia, are producing as much as they possibly can, so they aren't in a position to boost output substantially to meet a spike in demand or avert another unexpected production outage.

Nor would OPEC member countries be likely to make production cuts because they are especially desperate for cash to run social programs and fund national defense.

"OPEC rarely if ever constrains or influences the oil production rate of its member states," writes

Jeff Colgan, a professor at the School of International Service at American University in a study soon to be published in the journal International Organization. "A cartel needs to set tough goals and meet them; OPEC sets easy goals and fails to meet even those."

Recently, the little balancing act the market has needed has come from Saudi Arabia, the world's largest exporter. As the one OPEC nation with a healthy oil industry, enormous reserves and a relatively stable economy, it has acted on its own to keep the market in balance despite official OPEC production levels.

For example, forecasters expect OPEC production to rise later this year by about 500,000 barrels per day over the official quota of 30 million barrels per day it set at the meeting in Vienna. Nearly all of that will likely come from Saudi Arabia.

And while experts don't expect much disruption of Iraqi oil, if any, from the recent violence, they say if output is slowed, Saudi Arabia will step in with even more crude to keep the market in balance.

The question, they say, is whether Saudi Arabia can continue, by itself, to do what OPEC as a whole was organized to do. Iraq's insurgency may make that more difficult.

"The most significant impact from the insurgency is likely to be the disruption to Iraq's already ambitious targets for oil production," wrote Tom Pugh, a commodities economist at Capital Economics.

Safety tips, drowning statistics

- Drowning prevention**
- Supervise children in bathtubs and pools (especially younger than 15 months old when children cannot get up on their own)
 - Eliminate buckets of water in the house or yard
 - Build barriers such as self-closing fences and latch gates around pools
 - Drain covers pools and hot tubs to prevent entrapment
 - Have a buddy system
 - Train family members in CPR
 - Teach children to swim. Contact local YMCA or Fitness Club
 - Use flotation devices
 - Avoid alcohol
 - Avoid high-risk behaviors
 - Do not dive after hyperventilation
 - Some victims will try to breathe instead of yell for help
 - Some victims will wade in the water trying to swim instead of waving hands in the air for help

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Source: Midland Fire Department

Statewide drownings

County	Drownings
Angelina	1
Bel	1
Bexar	1
Caldwell	1
Cameron	1
Dallas	2
Denton	2
Gregg	1
Harris	4
Jones	1
Tyler	1
Hidalgo	1
Hopkins	1
Shelby	1
Tarrant	1
Young	1
Total	21

Source: Texas Department of Family and Protective Services
https://www.dfps.state.tx.us/Watch_Kids_Around_Water/drownings.asp

- Drowning types**
- Dry: When water or foreign bodies are inhaled.
 - Wet: When water enters the lungs.
 - Delayed or secondary: When water enters the lungs but does not cause immediate death.

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DANGERS

From 1A

medical professional and observed for eight hours," he said.

Children under the age of 5, teenage boys and young men have the highest risk for drowning, with males making up 80 percent of deaths, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Cox warned swimmers

to avoid high-risk behaviors and alcohol — the effects of which are heightened by sun exposure and heat.

He also asked Midlanders to be prepared for summer swimming troubles by becoming certified CPR providers.

"That's the biggest thing anybody could do for their family or community," Cox said.

HOMES

From 1A

live in the home for three years.

In the case of Midland's one qualifying house, HUD would forgive the \$95,000 secondary mortgage after three years and the homeowner would pay the other \$95,000.

The Elm Avenue home has three bedrooms, two bathrooms and a two-car garage. Excluding the garage, the house is 1,639 square-feet and was built in 2006, according to the Midland Central Appraisal District.

If the homeowner moves out of the house before three years have passed, he or she would be responsible for paying the full listing price. That's why the applicants must qualify to borrow the full listing price, Ivey said.

The biggest issue, however, is most people don't know when these properties come on the market, and when they do, they're only available at the discounted price for seven to 10 days, Ivey said, noting these properties are not listed on the Multiple Listing Service.

Visit www.sfgis.hud.gov/index.html to search for qualifying properties nationwide.

"I see the prices of our houses here in Midland and I see the rental prices here in Midland," Ivey said. "I know the teachers are hurting for housing [but] I don't know how they would know about this property."

Any qualifying public servant interested in this house should contact a local Realtor, Ivey said. The majority of Midland's real estate agents are registered to conduct business with HUD.

"Time is very critical in this," Ivey said. "If you think you're going to make an offer, let's get you started now. These people need to contact a lender and see if they're even qualified to borrow the money but that's going to take time."

There's no timeline for when the next home will be available through the Good Neighbor Next Door program. It always depends on when a HUD-owned house comes on the market in a designated revitalization area.



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Customers enjoy the convenience of Powermat wireless charging in a Starbucks store. Starbucks and Duracell said they are rolling out Powermat wireless charging devices in stores in San Francisco. The chain will expand into other markets in 2015.

Starbucks to offer wireless charging pads

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Soon you may not have to fumble or fight for a power outlet to charge your phone at your neighborhood Starbucks.

Starbucks and Duracell said they are rolling out Powermat wireless charging devices in stores in San Francisco.

The charging spots will expand into other major markets in 2015, and the companies plan to put the devices in all Starbucks and Teavana locations over time.

The companies said stores will have "Powermat Spots," designated areas on tables and counters where

customers can put their compatible smartphones and charge them wirelessly.

Most smart phones and devices on the market now are not compatible with the Powermat stations, although some with the built-in capability are starting to emerge, according to IHS, a market researcher. People can also buy Powermat accessories to charge devices that aren't compatible, Starbucks noted.

Some Starbucks Corp. locations in Boston and San Jose already have Powermat devices.

Powermat formed a joint venture with Duracell in 2011. Duracell is a unit of Procter & Gamble Co.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Terrance L. Jackson, 30, of Odessa was charged Wednesday with possession of a controlled substance.
Melissa A. Joseph, 40, of Midland was charged Wednesday with possession of a controlled substance.
Michael E. Lafroy, 43, of Midland was charged Wednesday with writ of habeas corpus and three counts of theft

valued between \$20,000 and \$100,000.
Oscar M. Natividad, 27, of Stanton was charged Wednesday with violation of parole.
Vicente M. Ryan, 43, of Midland was charged Wednesday with fugitive from justice.
Isaac M. Uresti, 24, of Midland was charged Wednesday with unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon.

Romero Villarreal Jr., 29, of Odessa was charged Wednesday with unauthorized use of a vehicle.
Jon A. Zuniga, 23, of Hobbs, New Mexico, was charged Wednesday with failure to register as a sex offender.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

90-year-old former President Bush parachutes from helicopter

By David Espo
Associated Press

KENNEBUNKPORT, Maine — Former President George H.W. Bush celebrated his 90th birthday Thursday by making a tandem parachute jump near his summer home in coastal Maine, fulfilling a goal he made five years ago after a similar jump even though he can no longer use his legs.

The nation's 41st president jumped from a helicopter at about 6,000 feet while harnessed to retired Sgt. 1st Class Mike Elliott, a former member of the Golden Knights, the Army's parachute team. Elliott guided Bush to a safe landing on his 85th birthday.

"That's what he wanted for his 90th birthday and that's what he got," Elliott said. "It's a very good feeling to be involved and be able to turn back time."

The helicopter picked up Bush outside his Kennebunkport home. His family transported him from his wheelchair to the chopper, singing "Happy Birthday" before it took off.

Bush floated to the ground under a red, white and blue parachute and landed on the lawn of St. Ann's Episcopal Church, where several hundred friends and family had gathered.

Elliott said Bush's foot got tangled up underneath him during the landing, causing him to tumble forward onto the ground. A spokesman later said the former president was feeling "fine."

"He had a big smile for the crowd. You could tell he was exhilarated," said Diana Untermeyer, a family friend from Houston. "He's an amazing man. This is just another sign of that. I think that like most of America, our family loves him to pieces. It was just a real thrill to do this again."

Bush was greeted with a kiss from his wife, Barbara, and a hug from his son, former President George W. Bush. The family left without talking to reporters.

Outside the grounds, several hundred people gathered on the rocky shore to get a glimpse of the jump.

"He has a lot of courage. We need more like him," said David Morris, 79, of Melrose, Massachusetts.

Said Carol Schierl, 75, of Green Bay, Wisconsin: "I think it's wonderful. I hope I can jump out of a plane at 90."

The jump was kept secret until Thursday morning partly to give Bush the option of bagging it because of less-than-ideal weather, including a low ceiling of clouds.

"It's vintage George Bush," spokesman Jim McGrath said. "It's that passion for life. It's wanting to set a goal, wanting to achieve it. I'm sure part of it is sending a message to others that even in your retirement years you can still find challenges."

Bush had to overcome the objections of his doctor, Barbara and the rest of the family before making the latest jump, Elliott said. Eventually, he won them over.

"He's smiling like a kid in kindergarten," Elliott said following the jump.

Bush's jump was indicative of a trend among people of advanced age, said Lenard Kaye, director of the Maine Center on Aging at the University of Maine. More and more seniors are participating in extreme physical activities deep into their golden years, a trend that will pick up steam as more baby boomers retire, he said.

Such "extreme acts of adventure" are becoming a part of many seniors' lives but they need to be mindful that their bones are more fragile than when they were younger, he said.

During his years in the White House, Bush was known for jogging, tennis and fast-paced golf. The former president, who signed the landmark Americans with Disabilities Act in 1990, now uses a wheelchair or scooter because of a form of par-



Robert Bukaty/AP

Former President George H.W. Bush, strapped to Sgt. 1st Class Mike Elliott, a retired member of the Army's Golden Knights parachute team, prepares to land on the lawn at St. Anne's Episcopal Church while celebrating Bush's 90th birthday in Kennebunkport, Maine, on Thursday.

kinsonism that has robbed him of use of his legs.

The first time Bush jumped from an airplane was when his plane was shot down in World War II over the Pacific.

He marked his 75th, 80th and 85th birthdays by skydiving. Thursday was his eighth jump.

Other birthday festivities included a private dinner with more than 200 relatives and friends, including some from his White House days: press secretary Marlin Fitzwa-

ter, White House counsel Boyden Gray and political director Ron Kaufman, McGrath said. His children, including George W. Bush and former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, will be there, McGrath said.

Kennebunkport is a special place for the president. As a boy, he visited the family home at Walker's Point every summer, except during World War II.

The retreat was later dubbed his "summer White House."

Bush turns 90: The 10 longest-lived US presidents

KENNEBUNKPORT, Maine — Former President George H.W. Bush celebrates his 90th birthday Thursday.

A list of the 10 longest-lived U.S. presidents, their age and the day they died, if applicable:

1. Gerald Ford; 93 years, 165 days; died Dec. 26, 2006.
2. Ronald Reagan; 93 years, 120 days; died June 5, 2004.
3. John Adams; 90 years, 247 days; died July 4, 1826.
4. Herbert Hoover; 90 years, 71 days; died

Oct. 20, 1964.

5. George H.W. Bush; 90 years, 0 days.
6. Jimmy Carter; 89 years, 254 days.
7. Harry Truman; 88 years, 232 days; died Dec. 26, 1972.
8. James Madison; 85 years, 104 days; died June 28, 1836.
9. Thomas Jefferson; 83 years, 82 days; died July 4, 1826.
10. Richard Nixon; 81 years, 103 days; died April 22, 1994.

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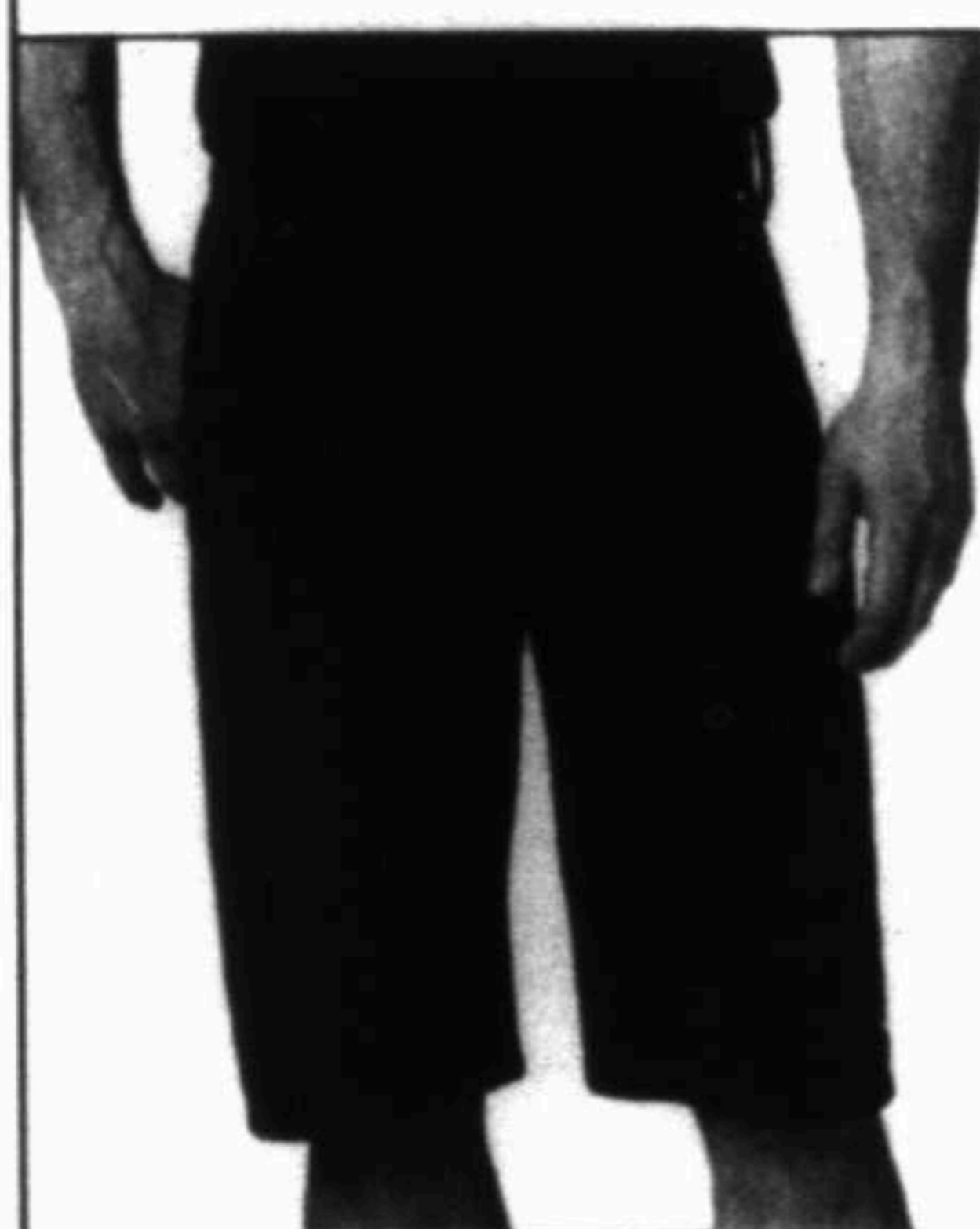
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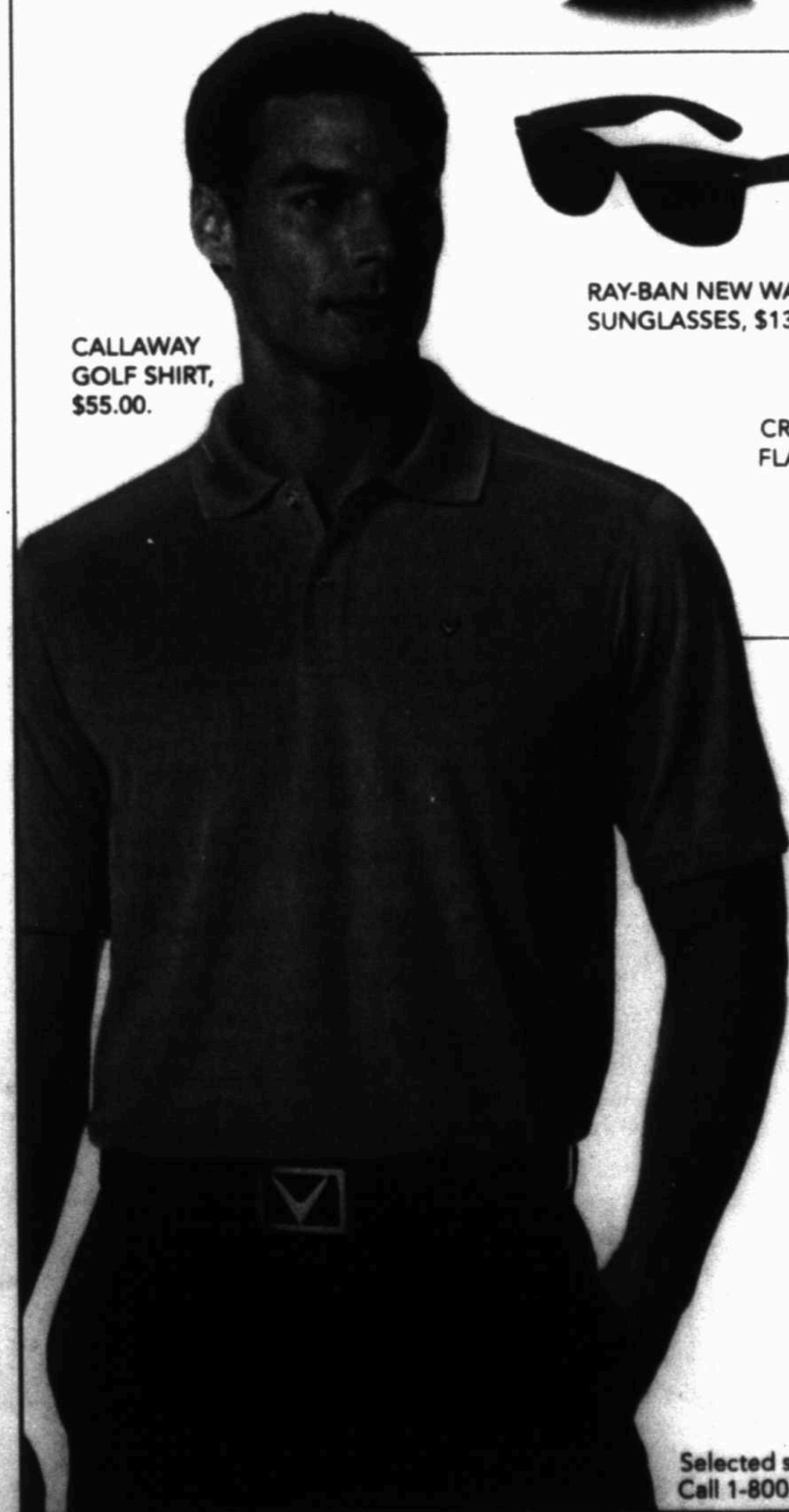


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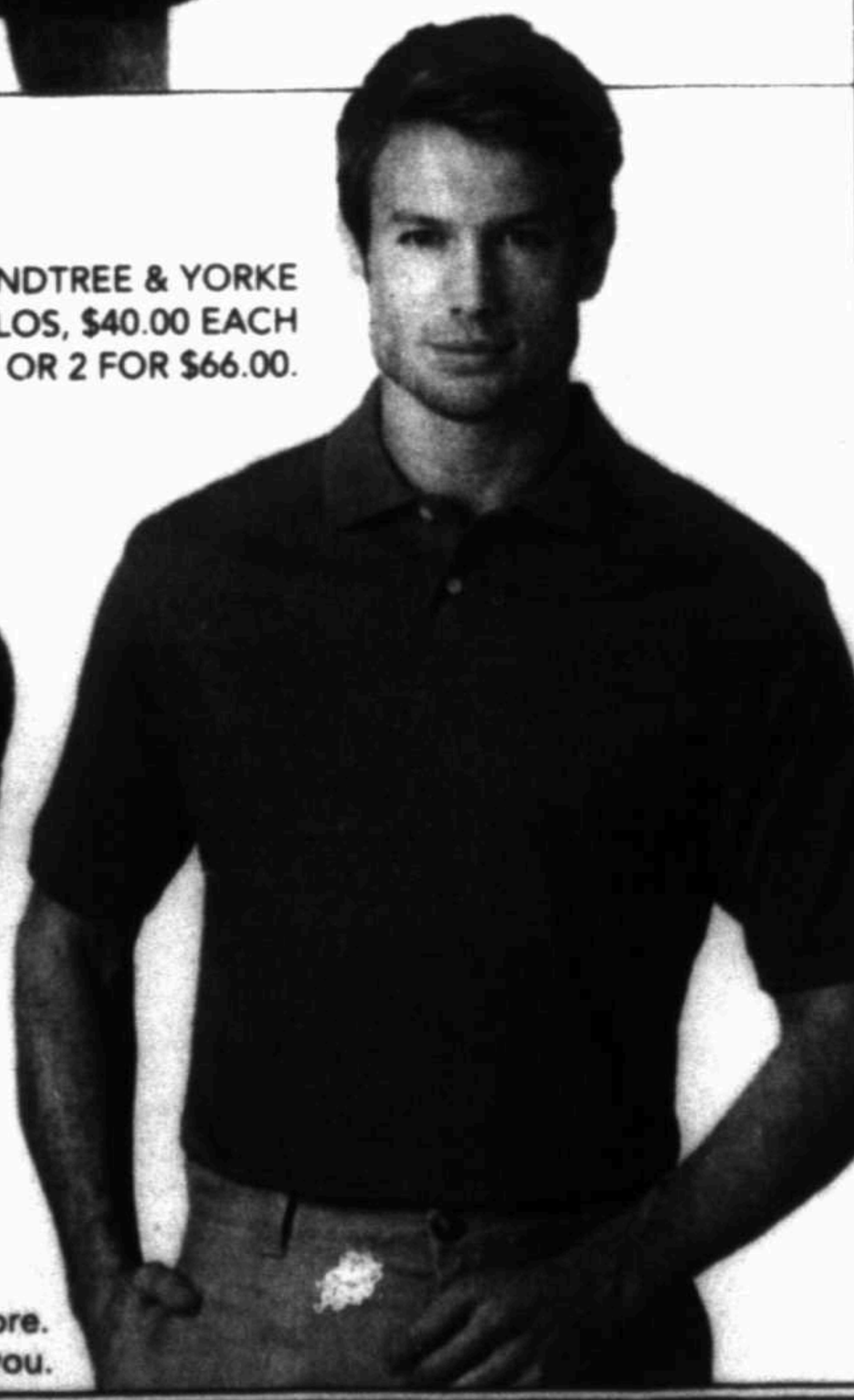
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OPINION

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End of illusions in Middle East has arrived

■ It's time for the president to act in Iraq, Syria

On June 10, 2014, President Obama said that the greatest frustration of his presidency was the failure to pass gun control legislation. It was the same day that Mosul, the second largest city in Iraq, fell to the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS), a radical splinter of al-Qaida. The next day, Tikrit was taken by the militants, who are now preparing for the battle of Baghdad. These gains followed months of ISIS conquests in western Syria, lending reality to the previously absurd pretensions of the group's name.

For an American president, the world is a banquet of frustrations. But the collapse of much of the Middle East into civil war, sectarian conflict, war crimes and terrorist-exploited chaos should rank higher on the list. In Syria, 6.5 million are internally displaced by a multilateral war that has featured civilian bombings, torture, forced hunger and poison gas attacks; more than 2.8 million have fled the country; more than 9 million are in need of humanitarian aid. Perhaps a third of Lebanon's population consists of refugees. And Syria's Sunni insurgency has spilled into Iraq, gaining momentum by exploiting local grievances.

In this light, it is worth rereading

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Obama's May 28 West Point commencement address. America's departure from Iraq without a status-of-forces agreement was offered as an (attempted) applause line. On Syria, Obama claimed credit for refusing to "put American troops into the middle of this increasingly sectarian war" — resisting a blunder that no one had recommended. He talked of decimating "core al-Qaida," while non-core al-Qaida was taking cities in Syria. He vaguely promised to "ramp up" support for the Syrian opposition, which has come to regard such promises as worthless. He proposed a new "Counterterrorism Partnerships Fund" — an executive action in the category of bringing a knife to a regional conflagration.

As for his West Point speech, Obama believed he had gotten his Middle Eastern policy just about right. He employed it as a model of restraint. "The president has tended to see Syria as a beckoning morass, the bottom of the proverbial slippery

slope," says Ambassador Frederic Hof of the Atlantic Council. "He has thought that by holding Syria at arm's length he could avoid being drawn into something difficult and complicated."

But risk aversion, it turns out, can multiply complication. Because America refused to coordinate an effort to arm the responsible opposition in Syria, there has been no pressure for the regime to engage in serious peace negotiations. Bashar al-Assad has found barrel bombs more effective. In Geneva talks last November, American officials were left with no plan except to (pathetically) hope for Russian and Iranian diplomatic favors, which never came. Countries such as Turkey and the Gulf states, left leaderless in the region, have often funneled support to radicals. America has supplied weapons to the Iraqi government to fight militants in western Iraq while (incoherently) refusing to arm people fighting the same enemy 100 miles to the west in Syria. Now a few thousand militants, with roots in the Syrian conflict, threaten to destroy the Iraqi government, along with the remnants of American credibility in the region.

This should be the end of illusions. Sometimes risk aversion can be a very risky option. The mere containment of Syrian chaos would have required a more activist American policy — coordinating

Middle Eastern and European powers to create a balance of forces on the ground that might have encouraged a power-sharing agreement between less horrible regime elements and less horrible opposition groups. Some variant is still Syria's best (but fading) hope.

Outside the administration, the unsentimental have sometimes argued that it is not a bad outcome for Assad's forces and the Sunni Islamists to kill each other in a stalemate. Apart from being immoral — content with the slaughter of civilians — this also turns out to be stupid. It is only a stalemate until a new crop of battle-hardened extremists are produced who unravel neighboring countries or board planes to destinations unknown.

Within the administration, Hof suspects that "a major course correction is under consideration now, although I worry whether or not it would result in an effort sizable enough to make a difference on the ground." After years of defining staying out of the Middle East as success, this may now involve saving the Iraqi government, actively coordinating support to the Syrian opposition and bolstering state institutions in Lebanon and other highly stressed countries.

President Obama has shown no appetite or aptitude for this role — but refusing it now would be a massive failure.

OUR VIEW

Improvements at Midland International may just be beginning

Midland International Airport is a booming place. Anyone looking for a parking spot can tell you that. Mary Esterly, director of airports, has a lot of reasons to be optimistic. Enplanements (boardings) are at a post-9/11 high; monthly parking revenues consistently surpass \$200,000; Midland International is closing in on a coveted spaceport license.

As we look at the hustle and bustle at the airport, we can't help but think about the Midland Assessment and Action Plan, created more than a decade ago, that called Midland International Airport the city's crown jewel of economic development. It couldn't have been more on target. XCOR is proof of that, as is Orbital Outfitters.

The airport has created a quality-of-life asset that you don't see in communities like San Angelo or Abilene. Flying non-stop to Dallas, Houston, Las Vegas and Denver has become essential for many residents. Being able to then connect to the rest of the nation is priceless.

A few weeks ago, we responded to a proposed increase in parking rates at the airport. We heard about the need to raise the rates to help pay for a new covered lot. Again, anyone who has been to Midland International understands why additional parking is needed.

As reporter Joe Basco offered in Wednesday's Reporter-Telegram, the need for parking likely will go beyond one lot. Boardings have increased beyond the seven-year average. Midland, Odessa and the rest of the region are not getting any smaller. While there is nearly \$3 billion in the Airport Operations Fund and \$4.7 million in the Passenger Facility Charge Fund, it is easy to envision the needs that will follow once that parking lot is complete.

We have seen that the average of increased parking rates will be comparable to other areas. That's nice to hear, but as we said previously, our goal isn't about being comparable, it's about taking care of what is in front of this community. This week's Airport Board meeting showed us that improvements and needs go beyond one parking lot. And parking rates, in this case, serve as a user fee. In our view, there is no fairer way to fund development than user fees. It may be appropriate for local government to implement user fees in other areas.

But as far as Midland International is concerned, we look forward to what the future brings. Sure there are issues likely to come up, but we are optimistic about what the airport will mean to our future just like we were more than a decade ago.

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GOP colleagues bury Cantor

■ It didn't take long for Republicans to start politicking to replace the House majority leader

DANA MILBANK
Washington Post Writers Group



Eric Cantor, announcing to his House Republican colleagues Wednesday afternoon that he will resign as majority leader, recalled some wisdom given him recently by a Holocaust survivor: "Suffering is a part of life. Misery is a choice."

It was typical of Cantor, the only Jewish Republican in Congress, to wear his faith on his sleeve as he grappled with his unimaginable loss in Tuesday's primary. Minutes after his closed-door remarks to colleagues, the Virginian greeted reporters with thoughts about how, "in the Jewish faith, you know, I grew up, went to Hebrew school, read a lot in the Old Testament, and you learn a lot about individual setbacks."

Cantor, who had been on course to be the first Jewish speaker of the House, was an important symbol in a party dominated by evangelical Christians. The ouster of the only non-Christian Republican in Congress by a primary challenger running as an immigration hard-liner is a crucial moment for the GOP because it risks cementing the party's demographic troubles.

Yet House Republicans dispatched Cantor on Wednesday with unseemly haste. In the Jewish tradition, burial generally occurs within a day of death. Cantor's GOP colleagues took that further, dumping him instantaneously — and unceremoniously — after his unexpected political demise.

Without a decent interval, Republicans hoping to secure a place in the leadership because of Cantor's misfortune already were calling supporters and putting out feelers Tuesday night and Wednesday morning. Rep. Jeb Hensarling of Texas said he was "prayerfully" contemplating running for GOP leadership and was "humbled by the many people who have approached me" about doing so. Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers of Washington said she was "assessing" her options. Reps. Pete Sessions of Texas, Peter Roskam of Illinois and Steve Scalise of Louisiana talked up their candidacies. Those who are not running beat the drums for personal or regional favorites.

Sessions, asked about Cantor's loss, blamed the victim for not asking for help from his colleagues. "We were all listening to Eric, and he said he was fine," Sessions told reporters. "You tend to trust what you're hearing. These are kinds of things that must not be left to guess."

At 1 p.m. Wednesday, The Washington Post broke the story that the beleaguered leader had agreed to step down as majority leader at the end of July. (A snap election for his successor will

be next week.) Fifteen minutes later, would-be candidates were on the House floor, buttonholing colleagues.

Roskam sat down with Mike Rogers of Michigan, then cornered Pat Meehan of Pennsylvania. Kevin McCarthy of California, pen and pad in hand, sidled up to Chris Smith of New Jersey, then whispered with Tom Marino of Pennsylvania and conferred with Dana Rohrabacher of California. McMorris Rodgers, in the well, had pulled aside Kristi Noem of South Dakota, then Diane Black of Tennessee.

Four rows behind them, Hensarling was conferring with Tom Price of Georgia and Paul Ryan of Wisconsin. An aisle over, Scalise had sat down with Steve Womack of Arkansas.

This went on for more than 20 minutes, and back slaps, smiles and laughs punctuated the conversations.

It was a bit distasteful that Republicans had come to replace their leader, not to praise him. More troubling still was that Cantor's colleagues didn't even pause to contemplate the significance of Cantor's fall before pursuing their ambitions.

A grim-faced Cantor, arriving at the Capitol after his trip from the Richmond suburbs, kept out of sight Wednesday until late afternoon in the suite of offices near the Rotunda he shares with House Speaker John Boehner of Ohio.

Just before noon, Boehner emerged, but only to begin the day's session on the House floor. There, he listened to the opening prayer from a guest chaplain, a rabbi who asked God to inspire "the many races, colors and ancestries that make up our blessed country."

Cantor's ancestry probably wasn't an asset Tuesday among some of the voters who had been added to his district because of Republican-led gerrymandering. His (modest) support for immigration reform also hurt him in the low-turnout primary. Cantor's biggest problem, though, may have been his national ambition: He spent too much time on the road collecting chits for an eventual bid for speaker.

If Cantor's unbridled ambition was what brought him down, his colleagues weren't getting the message. They saw his fall only as a means to another's rise.

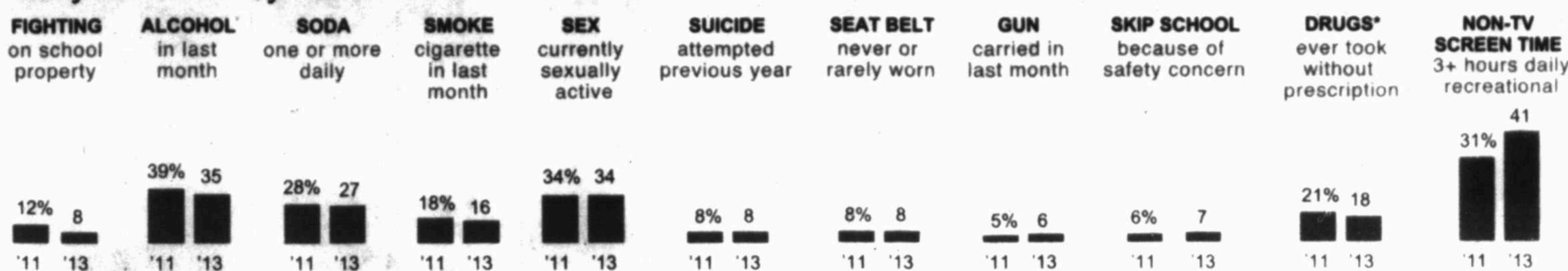
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Risky behavior by teens The results come from a study of 13,000 U.S. high school students completed last year.



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Study: Teens are drinking less, texting more

By Mile Stobbe
Associated Press

NEW YORK — American teens are smoking less, drinking less and fighting less. But they're texting behind the wheel and spending a lot of time on video games and computers, according to the government's latest study of worrisome behavior.

Generally speaking, the news is good. Most forms of drug use, weapons use and risky sex have been going down since the government started doing the survey every two years in 1991. Teens are wearing bicycle helmets and seat belts more, too.

"Overall, young people have more healthy behaviors than they did 20 years ago," said Dr. Stephanie Zaza, who oversees the study at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The results come from a study of 13,000 U.S. high school students last spring. Participation was voluntary and required parental permission, but responses were anonymous.

Highlights of the study,

released Thursday:

SMOKING

Fewer than 16 percent of the teens smoked a cigarette in the previous month — the lowest level since the government started doing the survey, when the rate was more than 27 percent. Another CDC study had already put the teen smoking rate below 16 percent, but experts tend to treat this survey's result as the official number. It's "terrific news for America's health," said Matt Myers, president of the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids. Even so, there are still about 2.7 million teens smoking, he said.

The survey did not ask about electronic cigarettes, which have exploded in popularity in the past few years.

Meanwhile, more than 23 percent of teens said they used marijuana in the previous month — up from 15 percent in 1991. CDC officials said they could not tell whether marijuana or e-cigarettes have replaced traditional cigarettes among teens.

TEXTING

Among teen drivers, 41 percent had texted or emailed behind the wheel in the previous month. That figure can't be compared to the 2011 survey, though, because the CDC changed the question this time. The latest survey gives texting-while-driving figures for 37 states — ranging from 32 percent in Massachusetts to 61 percent in South Dakota.

DRINKING

Fewer teens said they drank alcohol. Drinking of soda was down, too. About 35 percent said they had had booze in the previous month, down from 39 percent in 2011. About 27 percent said they drank soda each day. That was only a slight change from 2011 but a sizable drop from 34 percent in 2007.

SEX

The proportion of teens who had sex in the previous three months held steady at about 34 percent from 2011. Among

them, condom use was unchanged at about 60 percent.

SUICIDE

The percentage who attempted suicide in the previous year held steady at about 8 percent.

MEDIA USE

TV viewing for three or more hours a day has stalled at around 32 percent since 2011. But in one of the largest jumps seen in the survey, there was a surge in the proportion of kids who spent three or more hours on an average school day on other kinds of recreational screen time, such as playing video or computer games or using a computer or smartphone for something other than schoolwork. That number rose to 41 percent, from 31 percent in 2011.

Health experts advise that teens get no more than two hours of recreational screen time a day, and that includes all screens — including Xboxes, smartphones and televisions. Although video-gaming

is up, particularly among teen boys, some researchers believe most of the screen-time increase is due to social media use. And it's probably not a good thing, they say.

Through texts and social media, young people are doing more communicating and living in an online world in which it's easier to think they're the center of the universe, said Marina Krcmar, a Wake Forest University professor who studies teen screen time. That can lead to a form of extended adolescence, she said.

It can also distract youngsters from schoolwork, exercise and other healthy activities, she said.

FIGHTING

Fights at school fell by half in the past 20 years. And there was a dramatic drop in kids reporting they had been in a fight anywhere in the preceding

year — about 25 percent, down from 33 percent two years earlier. The addition of more guards and other security measures may be a factor, said school violence expert Todd DeMitchell of the University of New Hampshire.

Fighting may be down, but it's not uncommon, according to some teens at the High School of Fashion Industries in lower Manhattan. Two students said they saw roughly one fight a week.

"It's like 'The Hunger Games,'" said 14-year-old Maya Scott. She said she had been in a fight during the current school year.

A few minutes later, as if to prove her point, three girls exchanged words and nearly came to blows outside the front entrance before a school lunch worker stepped in and separated them.

Online:
CDC study: <http://www.cdc.gov/HealthyYouth/yrs/index>

Bergdahl scheduled to arrive in Texas today

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl, who has been recovering in Germany after five years as a Taliban captive, is returning to the United States today, but he will not receive the promotion that would have been automatic had he still been held prisoner.

Rear Adm. John Kirby, the Pentagon press secretary, said Thursday that Bergdahl had left Germany on board a U.S. military aircraft and was expected to arrive at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio early today.

A U.S. official, meanwhile, said the promotion list, which would have boosted Bergdahl to staff sergeant, was expected to be released this week and he would not be on it.

Army Gen. Martin Dempsey, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, told The Associated Press last week that the promotion would no longer be automatic because Bergdahl is now free and any promotion would be based on routine duty requirements, such as proper levels of training and education, as well as job performance.

The U.S. official said medical personnel had determined that Bergdahl was ready to move on to the third phase of his reintegra-

tion process, which would happen at Brooke. The official was not authorized to provide details about Bergdahl's promotion by name and spoke Thursday on condition of anonymity.

Officials had previously said the intention was for Bergdahl to be reunited with his family at Brooke and to spend an undetermined period there in further recuperation.

Officials have kept a lid on details of Bergdahl's condition and his travel plans out of concern that he not be rushed back into the public spotlight after a lengthy period in captivity and amid a public uproar over the circumstances of his capture and release.

Officials also said Thursday that the Army has not yet formally begun a new review into the circumstances of Bergdahl's capture and whether he walked away without leave or was deserting the Army when he was found and taken by insurgents.

The answers to those questions will be key to whether Bergdahl will receive more than \$300,000 in back pay that is owed to him since he disappeared in June 2009 from his post in eastern Afghanistan. If he was determined to be a prisoner of war, he also could receive roughly another \$300,000 or more, if

recommended and approved by Army leaders, according to a U.S. official.

Bergdahl was released from Taliban captivity on May 31 and has been at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany since June 1.

Many have criticized the Obama administration for agreeing to release five Taliban prisoners from detention at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, in exchange for Bergdahl. Some of Bergdahl's former Army colleagues have accused him of deserting his post.

Republicans and Democrats questioned the wisdom of releasing the five Taliban members, saying they could return to the battlefield. Administration officials have told Congress that four of the five Taliban officials will likely rejoin the fight.

In congressional testimony Wednesday, Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel

called the former Taliban government officials "enemy belligerents" but said they hadn't been implicated in any attacks against the United States. He said Qatar, which has promised to keep the five inside the country for a year, promised sufficient security measures to warrant making the swap for Bergdahl.

Hagel also said Bergdahl was early in the process of recovering from the trauma of captivity. He said that process began with his arrival at Landstuhl on June 1.

"He's being held there because our medical professionals don't believe he's ready. ... This isn't just about a physical situation," Hagel said.

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CNN looks for a substitute when news can't deliver

Associated Press

NEW YORK — When CNN first signed on, it was greeted by a chorus of skeptics.

Not just doubt about Ted Turner's vow that his all-news network would be there long enough to cover the end of the world. A bigger question resonated: Was there really enough news to fill 24 hours of airtime, day after day?

As CNN marks its 34th birthday this month, a harsh truth endures: No, there really isn't, at least not enough to get viewers to stick around awhile. The flow of news doesn't conform to the needs of TV programmers, and there are irksome stretches when nothing much is going on that can satisfy TV's visual demands and keep viewers glued to the screen.

CNN was able to finesse

this in its early years since it had no cable-news competitors. Then new arrivals MSNBC and Fox News Channel faced the same dilemma. But each packed its schedule with hosts who could fashion news into opinion, opinion that would guarantee its like-minded audience a reassuring hour-after-hour TV refuge.

Meanwhile, CNN clung to Turner's mission statement that the news, not any news presenter, was the star. It really had no choice. Sandwiched between right-wing Fox News and left-wing MSNBC, CNN was forced to occupy impartial middle ground, even as it often sank to third place in the ratings.

The current: goose the schedule with so-called "original series" from such promotable names as Anthony Bourdain, Morgan Spurlock, Lisa Ling and the

Bible, and hope to make some noise and audience inroads.

In the midst of that sizzle offensive, however, CNN got a lucky break: a gift of news-as-breakout-star in the form of the tragic March 8 disappearance of Malaysia Airlines Flight 370.

CNN crafted an obsessive narrative of missing-airplane coverage — breathless "Still Missing" news alerts, rounds of analysis and rank speculation, and any other flight-related filler it could think of. This made CNN a laughingstock in some quarters (fueling a "Saturday Night Live" spoof that billed CNN as the network to watch "When you want to know that they don't know"). Never mind. Lots of viewers binged.

At the same time, CNN continues its crusade to gin up must-see program "events."

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THIS WEEK



LONE SURVIVOR Marcus Luttrell will speak Saturday in Lubbock for Southwest Christian School benefit.



BENEFIT CONCERT John Fogerty will perform Wednesday at Ector County Coliseum to benefit the Education Foundation of Odessa.

COMING SOON



ALL THE PEOPLE SAID AMEN Matt Maher performs July 13 at Cimarex Energy Pavilion.



LIVING PROOF Beth Moore will speak next month in Lubbock.

See more calendar items on page 4B.

GOOD NEIGHBORS

SHOE DRIVE Run This Way has donated more than 1,800 pairs of shoes to support families in Ghana West Africa through its charity shoe drive. Anyone who donates a pair of shoes receives a \$10 credit toward a new regularly priced pair at the store.

GIVEAWAY The ABLE Center for Independent Living is giving away a 1989 wheelchair accessible van to someone in the Permian Basin. Applications may be emailed to venessia@ablecenterpb.org or mailed to ABLE Center for Independent Living, 1931 E. 37th St. Suite 1, Odessa, TX 79762 through July 18. The winner will be announced Aug. 2.

IN NEED

SUMMER VOLUNTEERS With summer here, students needing service hours can earn them Monday through Friday helping package and/or deliver Meals On Wheels. Contact Alan Barkley, volunteer coordinator, at 689-6693 or email mowvol@cssmidland.org to learn more.

KIDS FIRST Centers for Children and Families is in need of volunteers for its Kids First program, a supervised visitation and exchange program for conflicted families. For more information, call 570-1084 or visit centerstx.org.



BIBLE FUN



ABOVE Children build sweet snacks during St. Luke's United Methodist Church vacation Bible school June 3. See calendar on 4B for more vacation Bible schools.

Photos by James Durbin

Young foster parents credit faith, family support

By Megan Lea Buck
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The Ochoa family spent much of their Monday afternoon looking at cars for their 17-year-old foster daughter. The teen got her driver's license and her first car on the same day. Beaming from the excitement, she talked about how "blessed" she is to be part of the family after spending 10 months at a local shelter for displaced youth. She will be aging out of the

foster system at 18, but the Ochoas said she's welcome to stay with the family as long as she continues in school.

"She's not going anywhere," said Arnold Ochoa, smiling.

That evening the family planned to pick up their ninth foster placement in less than two years. The 15-year-old girl would join their 17-year-old foster daughter and the couple's

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Arnold and Crystal Ochoa are foster parents.

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

West Texas Food Bank breaks ground on Odessa facility

■ Construction on Midland facility to begin this fall

By Steve Kuhlmann
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The West Texas Food Bank broke ground Wednesday on a 56,000-square-foot distribution center in Odessa, the first of two new facilities focused on increasing the organization's capabilities and services.

Funded by the WTFB's capital

campaign, \$12.1 million already has been raised, falling just short of the required \$12.7 million needed to reach the food bank's goals.

Once completed, the food bank hopes that the new facilities will contribute to a 6 percent growth in the goods and services that it currently is able to provide to the 19 counties and 34,000 square miles it serves.

"We get in 30,000-pound trucks worth of food at a time and we have to have a place to store


that product," said Libby Campbell, executive director of the West Texas Food Bank. "Even though we can move that product out within a week or two to our nonprofits that need that food that has come in, we still have to have a place to store it through those times. The problem is currently we're in a 28,000-square-foot facility. We're running out of space."

The new facility in Odessa will serve as the primary distribution center for the food bank's opera-

tions in the area and is expected to more than double the food bank's storage capacity, allowing it to store more perishable foods than was previously possible.

The second, smaller facility — on land donated by Michael and Cindy Black — will be located in Midland, with plans for it to serve as a community center, an overflow warehouse for the Odessa facility and a support center for partner nonprofits such as


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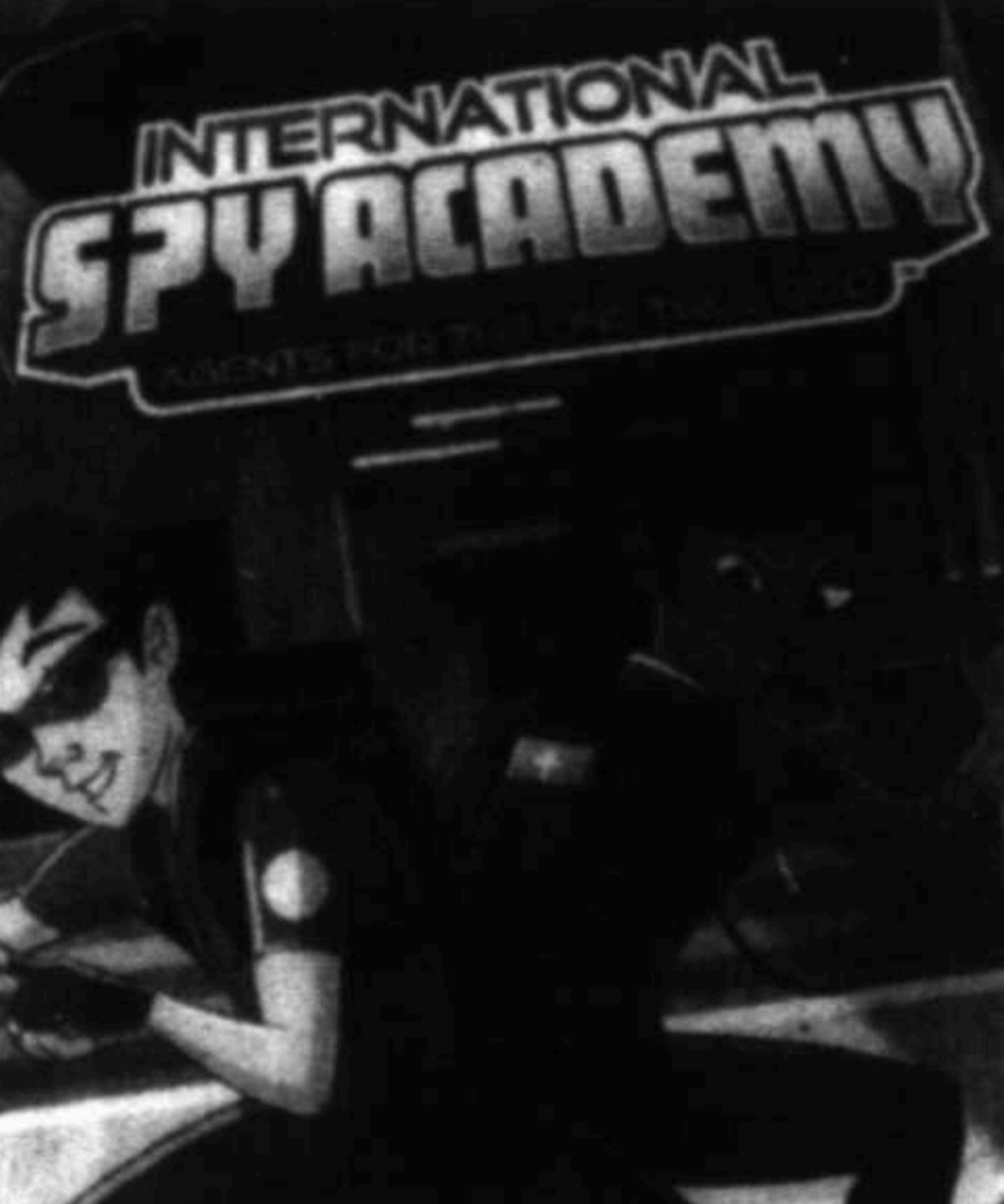
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CALENDAR

THIS WEEK

TODAY

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM
Pedals, Pipes and Pizza: An introduction to the pipe organ for elementary students, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church in Midland. 684-7821

GOLF TOURNAMENT Oxy Golf Tournament at Hogan Park Golf Course. Benefits American Cancer Society. cancer.org

CAMP REGISTRATION
Summer Art & Music Camps, Fine Arts School, register now for July 14-17 and Aug. 11-14 at First Presbyterian Church. 684-7821

SATURDAY

GIVEAWAY Faith Temple Big Giveaway, 9 a.m. at Faith Temple Fellowship Hall. 684-5253

SPEAKER Marcus Luttrell, inspiration for "Lone Survivor" film, 4:30-8 p.m. at City Bank Coliseum in Lubbock. Benefits Southwest Christian School. ionessurvivorlubbock.com

SUNDAY

BASEBALL GAME
RockHounds game Faith and Family Night, 6 p.m. at Security Bank Ballpark. mlb.com.

MONDAY

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "Cross Canyon Trails," 9 a.m.-noon through June 20 at Southwest Baptist Church. 212-3882

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "Weird Animals — Jesus' love is one of a kind," 5:30-8:30 p.m. through June 20 at First Christian Church. 682-2541.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "Weird Animals VBS," through June 20 at St. Stephen's Catholic Church. 520-7394.

WEDNESDAY

CONCERT John Fogerty benefiting Education Foundation of Odessa, at Ector County Coliseum. ectortcounty-coliseum.org.

COMING SOON

JUNE

MASS Diocese of San Angelo Mass to celebrate Lady in Blue Day, 8:30 a.m. June 20 at Holy Angels Church in San Angelo and 7 p.m. at Ivie Reservoir near Millersview. 325-651-7500

BENEFIT Old School Wrestling International Midget Wrestling Superstar: Short Sleeve Sampson benefit for Amy Mundy of Odessa, 7 p.m. June 21 at Hood Junior High School in Odessa. 770-7001

CHILDREN'S CLASSES
Social Skills Help classes for children for ages 9-12 on bullying, anger management, responsibility and more, 1-3 p.m. June 23-26 at Centers for Children and Families. 570-1084

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "Praise Break Celebrating the Works of God," 6:30-8:30 p.m. June 23-27 at Faith Temple Church of God in Christ. ftc-midland.org

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "Agency D3 - Discover, Decide and Defend," 6:30-8:30 p.m. June 23-27 at Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist Church. 684-4672

BASEBALL GAME
RockHounds game Faith and Family Night, 6 p.m. June 29 at Security Bank Ballpark. mlb.com.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL June 30-July 1 at Christ Church Anglican. ccan-glican.com

JULY

CLAY SHOOT Shooters That SHARE 3rd Annual Clay Shoot, 9 a.m. July 11 at Windwalkers Sporting Clays in Stanton. Benefits SHARE. spcconvio.net/shootersthatshare

SPEAKER Beth Moore Living Proof event, July 11-12 at United Spirit Arena in Lubbock. lifeway.com/events

CONCERT Matt Maher, July 13 at Cimarex Energy Pavilion. mlb.com

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Second Baptist Church and The North Church VBS, 6:30-8:30 p.m. July 21-24 at Second Baptist Church Activities Building. mychurch-midland.com

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "Gangway to Galilee," July 21-25 at Grace Lutheran Church. gracelutheranmidland.org

CAMP Fellowship Christian Church Soccer Camp, 9 a.m.-noon July 22-26 at Butler Sports Complex. midlandfellowshipchurch.org

AUGUST

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL "Shine," 9 a.m.-noon Aug. 11-15 at Midland Bible Church. midlandbible.org

FUNDRAISER An Evening with Legendary Football Hero Archie Manning, Aug. 14 at the Horseshoe. Benefits Centers for Children and Families. centerstx.org

GOLF TOURNAMENT Golf to Honor tournament benefiting Patrick Wayland Memorial Scholarship Fund, Aug. 23 at Hogan Park Golf Course. pbat.com

FUNDRAISER Ponderosa with Panache, 6 p.m. Aug. 26 at Odessa Country Club. Benefits Safe Place of the Permian Basin. safeplaceonow.com

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



Courtesy photo

The West Texas Food Bank breaks ground for its new distribution facility Wednesday.

FOOD

From 1B

Breaking Bread, Catholic Charities and the Boys & Girls Club.

"I felt like it was important for (Midland) to have a demonstration kitchen that our nonprofits could use, either to do a brown bag breakfast program for the homeless in Midland without having to drive to Odessa, or having a place where local Boy Scouts can do a food drive and

then come to that location in Midland and sort and process (the items)," said Campbell.

In addition, the facility will house a community garden, host trainings and work to organize volunteers in ways that will best serve the community.

Food bank staff hope the choice to split their operations between Midland and Odessa will increase efficiency and help to streamline the distribution

process. They also hope the facility will give them a stronger presence in Midland, making them more attractive to volunteers and allowing them to better serve those in need.

"Midland financially supports the West Texas Food Bank, and we serve a lot of people in Midland," Campbell said. "It only made sense for us to have a place in Midland, in that community, that we could use as a food bank

and be able to support the nonprofits that we partner with there."

Campbell also expressed the community center would be an opportunity to "help teach and pass on the importance of philanthropy and giving back to the community."

The ground breaking for the Midland facility is expected to occur this fall, sometime in September or October.

PARENTS

From 1B

four biological children, ranging in age from 3 months to 13.

Crystal and Arnold Ochoa, both 29, started as foster parents in November 2012 after hearing a sermon on the One More Home initiative at Mid-Cities Community Church. The church is one of several congregations to promote foster care after 2011 statistics revealed a great demand for homes in the Permian Basin. More than half of children removed from their homes in the area were being sent out of the county because of a lack of local available foster homes.

"We sort of felt like they were talking to us," Crystal Ochoa said about the sermon, noting the couple had talked about fostering before but never acted on it.

The Ochoas were married in 2006 but have been a couple since 1999, their freshman year of high school. Crystal became pregnant at 15 with their oldest daughter.

"With my parents' support we both graduated high school and stayed together," she said. The couple hopes they can pay that love and support forward to other kids, and maybe help them avoid some of the obstacles they faced as teenagers.

"My parents divorced when I was 7," Arnold Ochoa said. "My mom was

pretty much always working. I was raised by my older sister. We pretty much had to fend for ourselves."

Noting it's unusual for couples in their 20s to commit to fostering, and especially to fostering teenagers, Alejandra Smith, foster care case management supervisor with Buckner Children and Family Services of Midland, said the Ochoas are an inspiration for other families.

"They have become not only mentors to that child they have in their home, but another one of our young families who has taken on that same scenario, they were very instrumental in that family as well, helping them out and keeping them going," Smith said.

Crystal Ochoa credits her husband with giving her the push to take the final steps in opening their home to their first placements.

They had started filling out the paperwork when a family member died in a car accident.

"I kind of got scared and thought we just weren't ready. When we lost our nephew he was 19, and I just felt like we weren't ready to help someone else when we just lost one of our own," Crystal Ochoa said. "(Arnold) said, who are we to say we aren't ready? Just hearing his heart made me want to go through with it."

They both say their faith and their family make

fostering possible.

"They realize that without those two they wouldn't have been able to be so successful," Smith said of the couple.

The Ochoas keep in contact with many of their former foster kids and are even planning a trip to California in August to visit some of them. Arnold Ochoa works as a wireline engineer for Allied Wireline and Crystal Ochoa co-owns Kid Town Day Care with her sister.

"The girls play softball (and) two of our girls just made all stars, so we'll be going to Amarillo for a tournament," Crystal Ochoa said. "We stay busy. We wouldn't have it any other way, though."

Though they had planned to take a break after the birth of their now 3-month-old son, Crystal Ochoa said the fam-

ily couldn't wait to bring home their new foster daughter.

"Life is too easy now; we've got our routine down," she said. "At church (Sunday) the sermon was about taking a leap of faith. I just felt like it was talking to me."

Though the One More Home initiative has made an impact on the foster care system in the Permian Basin, Smith said there are still children who have been removed from their homes, sent to other counties and are waiting to return for placement in the area.

"There's still a very, very great need for foster families in this area for sure," she said. "We continue with our recruitment efforts, but it really takes that special family to say yes."

RELIGION BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Arkansas pastor is new Southern Baptist president

BALTIMORE — An Arkansas megachurch pastor is the new president of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The Rev. Ronnie Floyd received 52 percent of votes Tuesday from delegates to the annual meeting of the nation's largest Protestant denomination. Floyd beat out the Rev. Dennis Kim, the Korean-American pastor of a bilingual Maryland church, who received 41 percent of the vote.

Floyd has been the pastor at Cross Church in northwest Arkansas for 27 years. About 8,500 people worship each week at one of the church's several locations.

He was nominated by the powerful head of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, the Rev. Albert Mohler.

Mohler told the crowd of 5,000 meeting in Baltimore that Floyd is person who can lead the denomination at a time of "horrifying moral rebellion" in the nation.

Southern Baptists oppose gender reassignment

BALTIMORE — Delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention's annual meeting have passed a resolution declaring that gender identity is determined by biological sex and not by self-perception.

The resolution approved Tuesday states that the denomination opposes hormone therapy, gender reassignment surgery and other efforts to "alter one's bodily identity."

According to the resolution, "God's design was the creation of two distinct and complementary sexes, male and female."

The resolution expresses opposition to government efforts to "validate transgender identity as morally praiseworthy."

The resolution also condemns the bullying and abuse of transgender people and expresses love and compassion for "those whose sexual self-understanding is shaped by a distressing conflict between their biological sex and their gender identity."

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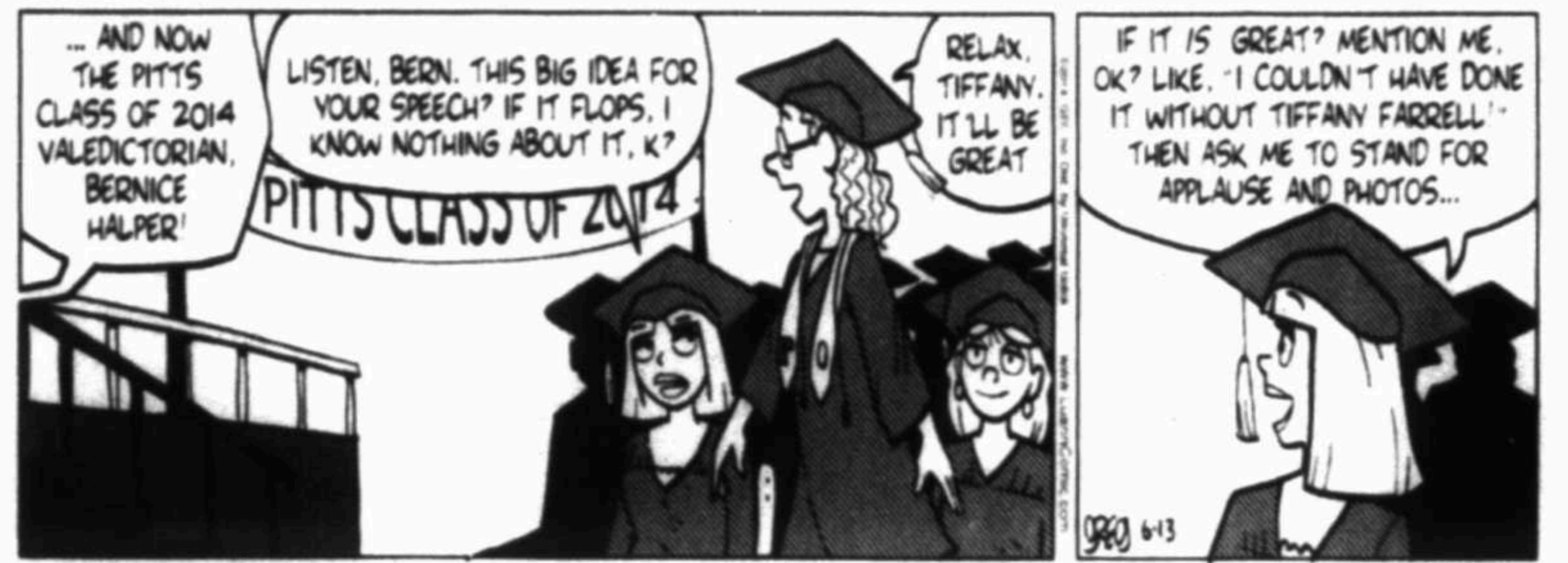
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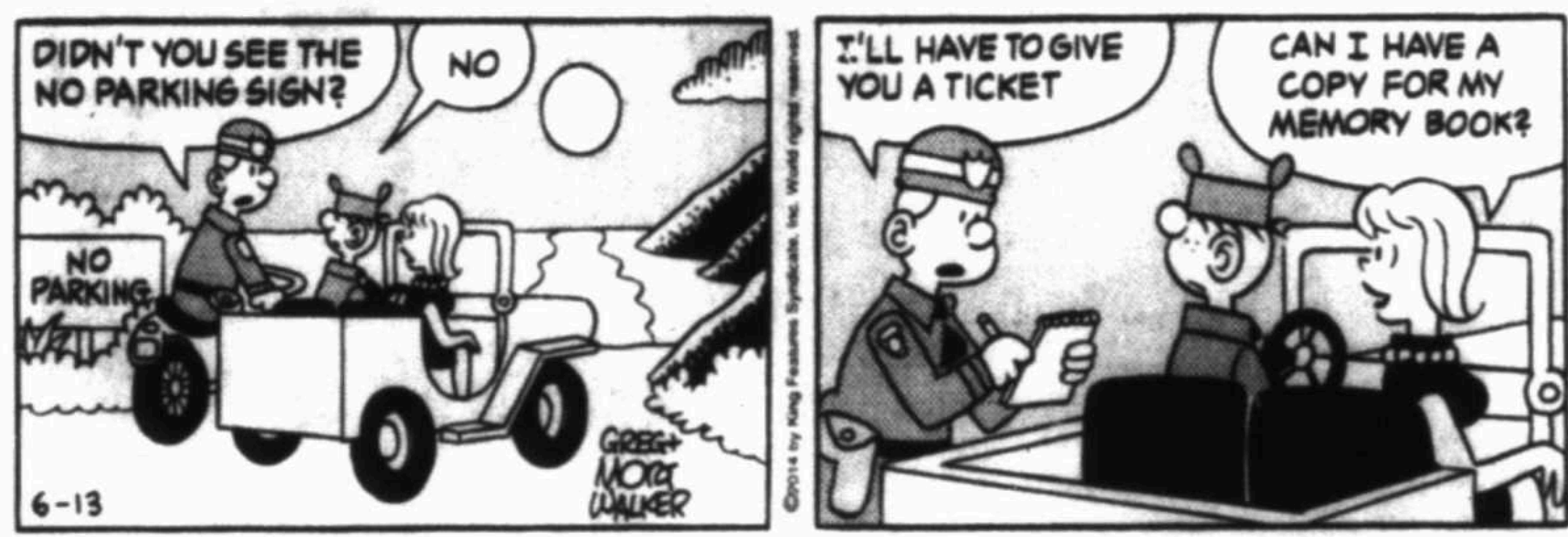
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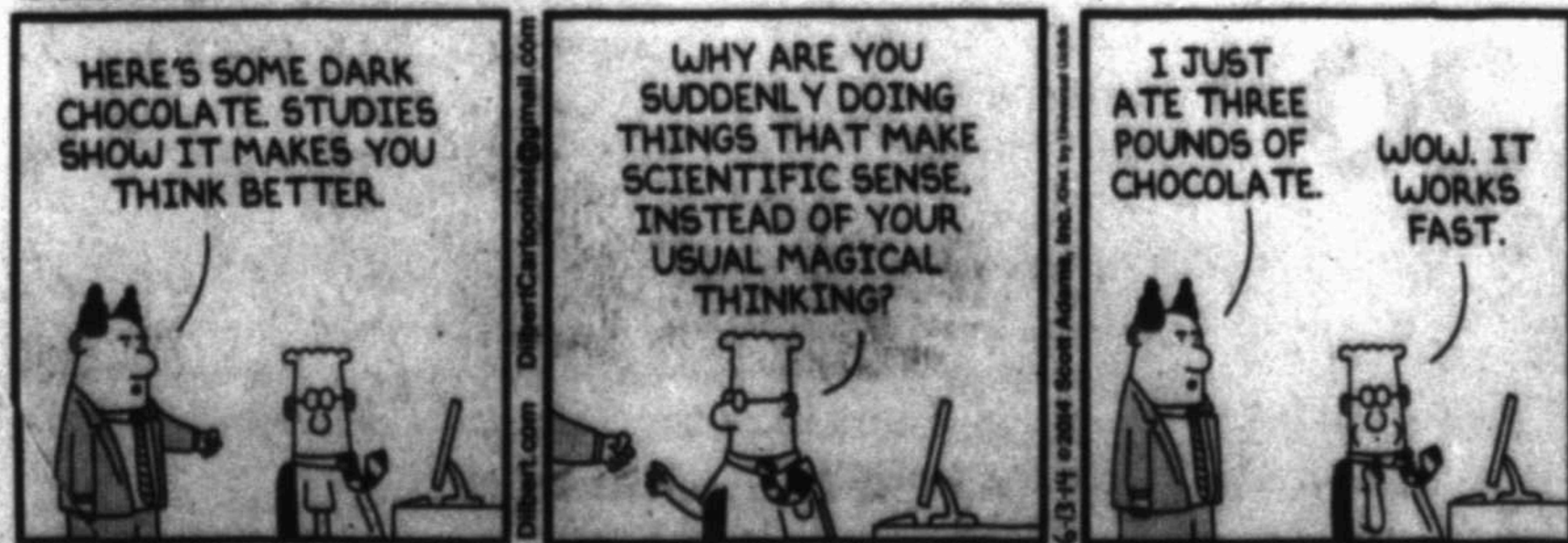
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God calls us to trust him, love others

Years ago, in the early days of our marital restoration, someone asked Stephanie how she could trust me after what I had done to her. She responded with a statement that has always resonated with me. She said, "I couldn't trust Mike, but I could trust God with Mike." I always felt like that was a powerful statement, and often I utilized the concept of trusting God with people I wasn't sure I could trust.

But the hidden idea in Stephanie's comment was that she would trust God with me until I earned her trust back. And that is often how I have thought about trust, as well. In relationships we work to a place of mutual trust. Right? We trust God with people until we are confident we can trust them. Right?

False sources of trust and security are never more evident than when they are taken from you, and the past year has been one of God untethering me from many people, places and things in which I had unconsciously found security. I realized I had developed an unhealthy security in certain people and institutions when I found myself not grieving the loss of things I loved as much as feeling great fear at the loss of things I loved. Fear revealed my misplaced trust.

As my false sources of trust were exposed, I began to look at trust in a new way. While my heart has always deeply desired true, trust-based relationships with people, I have realized God never calls, encourages or challenges us to trust each other — or our pastors, our churches, Christian leaders or even our spouses. And that realization has not made me a cynic. It has, in many ways, liberated me.

I dug into the Bible to see what God said about our call to trust each other and I found ... nothing. As I studied, I realized God does not call us to trust each other. He simply calls us to love each other. He says "love one another, but trust me." He calls us to act and to engage certain people in certain ways, but to trust him. In fact, he tells us hundreds of times to trust him only. And he warns us hundreds of times against trusting in anything but him.

Jeremiah 17:5-8 speaks so richly to this idea. In those passages it says "blessed is the man whose trust is the Lord." That word "is" is like an "equals" sign. Blessed is the man whose trust = the Lord. It says in Jeremiah 17 that when our trust is in man, we are like a shrub in the desert and we will live in the parched places of the wilderness. But when our trust is the Lord, we do not fear when the heat comes, and we are not anxious in the time of drought. Imagine your life like a tree with roots to various sources of nourishment and security. How many sources of security do you have? For me, I realized the Lord was one of several underground pools of security for me. When the others dried up, I was impacted with fear. I was like a shrub in the wilderness. For those who have only one pool from which to draw their security, and that one pool never dries up, they are constantly nourished, never afraid and always bear fruit — even in times of great heat and great drought. Jesus is to be our



MIKE GEOKE former Stonegate pastor

sole source of security. To live this way, we must build our trust in God. And to build our trust in God, we must understand and believe his character and claim his promises for our lives. And to do those things, we must grow in relationship with him. And to grow in relationship with him, we must be in his perfect word — the most reliable revelation of God to us. In his word, we discover that he is all we truly need.

While he is all we need, we also discover in his word that he calls us to relate to one another. We are called to love, serve, care for, accept, honor, forgive, be kind to, encourage, fellowship with and prefer one another. If we enter relationships with others tentatively, with conditions on the way we love based on whether we trust each other, then we are really more focused on ourselves than the other person. We cannot love purely when our love is conditioned on trust. But when we trust God with the people we love, we are free to love from a pure and beautiful place.

As I think about my wife, my call is not to trust her. My call is to love her sacrificially. To love her sacrificially is vulnerable. If my focus is on trusting her, I will, at some point, be disappointed and likely pull back on the love I am called to show her. But if my focus is on trusting God to meet my needs, and on loving her from my heart as an act of sacrifice, I am never disappointed, because God is always faithful. As I work to trust God with the people I love, I find I am not focused on whether I can trust my boss or my friends or my church leadership or any institution. And in so living, I am releasing all of those people from the pressure of being the source of my trust, and I am experiencing something liberating in my relationships. I love without expectation, and I grow daily in relational intimacy with God that is really sweet and ultimately satisfying and secure.

This is not an idea born out of hurt and cynicism. It is an idea born out of a weariness of demanding people to be what God never intended them to be. And it is not a call to isolationism. God commands us to connect in relationship and community, but his commands are only possible if our trust = him. Trusting him with the people we are called to engage empowers the engagement he commands us to make. The world and all your relationships may collapse around you, but you are safe in the Lord. He smiles on you, he exults over you, and his favor is on you. He is trustworthy. Blessed are you when your trust = the Lord.

Mike Goeke is a former pastor at Stonegate Fellowship Church.

RELIGION BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Prayers, precautions in W. Africa amid Ebola threat

CONAKRY, Guinea — One African preacher advocates fasting and prayer to spare people from a virus that usually leads to a horrible death. Some people pray that the Ebola outbreaks, which are hitting three countries in West Africa, stay away from their home areas. Others seem unruffled and say it will blow over.

But more than a month after Guinea President Alpha Conde told reporters the Ebola outbreak that originated in his country

was under control, the death toll continues to climb in his country as well as in Sierra Leone and Liberia.

At least 231 people have died since the outbreak of the fearsome disease.

Inspectors criticize schools over Islamist 'plot'

LONDON — The British government has announced that schools will be required to teach "British values" after inspectors found school board members with hard-line Muslim views had intimidated teachers and

imposed religiously motivated restrictions at several institutions.

Inspectors were called in after an anonymous letter alleged a plot called "Operation Trojan Horse" by Muslim fundamentalists to infiltrate schools in Birmingham. Authorities believe the letter was a hoax, but the alleged plot triggered inquiries and inflamed tensions in Britain's second-largest city, which has a large Muslim population.

The Office for Standards in Education said five of 21 schools it inspected had failed to protect students from extremism.

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Former Red Raiders fly high about CWS trip

By Oscar LeRoy
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While many former Texas Tech baseball players have enjoyed this great run by the Red Raiders to get to their first ever College World Series, Dale Redman has had a different perspective.

Redman, an infielder at Tech from 1981 to 1984, has had two sons play for the program: Reid, a former infielder who is now a pitcher with the Miami Marlins organization, and Hunter, the junior starting catcher for the Red Raiders.

"For both of my boys to be part of the Tech program, get an education there and have the success they have had has been a real blessing," Dale

Redman said. "As for Hunter, to have the opportunity to play in the College World Series is just special."

For other West Texans who played at Texas Tech, they don't need to have kids who play there to enjoy and take pride in the Red Raiders' success this season.

"I think we're all walking a little taller and with our chest out," said Lee baseball coach Brian Roper, a catcher for the Red Raiders from 1986 to 1989. "It's just wonderful for the university and wonderful for college baseball. It just shows parity in college baseball, and I think it's a positive for a school like Texas Tech."

Midlander Jimmy Zachry, who played third base at Tech from 1980 to 1983 and was an All-American in

1983, said this year has been a dream come true.

"For many of us who have been through the system, all of us have dreamed about this happening for a long time," Zachry said. "To see this team come along to make the trip to Omaha is incredible. It means a lot to me and all the people who have been involved with Texas Tech."

Added Midlander Danny Jordan, an outfielder at Tech in 1990, "It's fantastic. I couldn't be more proud."

Like many former Red Raider baseball players, these men never got to experience the kind of success the program is enjoying this season. The Red Raiders came close to making it to Omaha in the mid 1990s under head coach Larry Hays, but until this

year most were wondering if it would ever be possible.

"When we were there, it wasn't even something that we considered. It never crossed our minds," said Midland ISD's Executive Director of Athletics Todd Howey, who was an outfielder for the Red Raiders from 1983 to 1985. "It was a different environment back then, and it's like a different school now. Back then a lot of the guys were walk-ons and a lot of them were from the Panhandle or surrounding communities like Monahans and places like that. I don't know if any of us could play for them today other than Jimmy Zachry."

For many, credit goes to the hiring



Howey



Roper

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Spurs take another win



Associated Press

Miami Heat forward LeBron James, left, and San Antonio Spurs forward Kawhi Leonard go after a loose ball Thursday during the first half in Game 4 of the NBA Finals in Miami. The Spurs won 107-86 and lead the series 3-1.

San Antonio routs Miami, leads series 3-1

Spurs 107
Heat 86

Associated Press

MIAMI — The Spurs have three more chances to grab the championship trophy that slipped away last year.

The way they're dominating the Miami Heat, they might need just one.

Kawhi Leonard had 20 points and 14 rebounds, and the Spurs routed the Heat again, winning 107-86 on Thursday night to open a commanding 3-1 lead in the NBA Finals.

The Spurs can win their fifth NBA championship with a victory at home in Game 5 on Sunday and avenge their seven-game loss to Miami last year. And if the Heat are going to deny them again, it will take the biggest comeback in NBA Finals history.

LeBron James tried to keep the Heat in it with 28 points and eight rebounds, but Dwyane Wade was just 1 of 10 through three quarters and finished with

Finals at a glance

SAN ANTONIO 3, MIAMI 1 (BEST-OF-7; X-IF NECESSARY)

June 5: San Antonio 110, Miami 95
June 8: Miami 98, San Antonio 96
Tuesday: San Antonio 111, Miami 92
Thursday: San Antonio 107, Miami 86
Sunday: Miami at San Antonio, 8 p.m.
x-June 17: San Antonio at Miami, 8 p.m.
x-June 20: Miami at San Antonio, 8 p.m.

10 points.

No team has overcome a 3-1 deficit in the finals, and the way they were outclassed twice on their home floor makes it hard to imagine the two-time champions being the first.

Tony Parker added 19 points, and Tim Duncan had 10 points and 11 rebounds for the Spurs, who shot 57 percent from the field.

The Spurs lost twice in Miami to end last year's finals, their only defeat in the championship round. They won their

two games in South Florida this time by a combined 40 points.

If this was the last home game of the season in Miami, it looked and sounded nothing like the ones to end the last two years, which featured confetti falling and trophies raised. This one had the unfamiliar sound of boos late in the first half and a chant of "Go Spurs Go!" with under 3 minutes left from the San Antonio fans who remained long after many of Miami's had bolted.

If the Heat force a Game 6, it would be in Miami Tuesday.

The Heat had followed their last 13 postseason losses with a victory, but at the end of a fourth straight season that went the distance, they might be out of gas. Miami seemed to lack the energy — or maybe effort — to defend San Antonio's precision ball movement for the full 24 seconds, and time after time the Spurs ended up with a shot from somebody who didn't have a defender nearby.

Sockers FC net five goals in victory over Brilla

Sockers FC 5
Mississippi Brilla 1

By Chris Hummer
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Sockers FC pressed offensively early and often against the Mississippi Brilla, and the goals seemed to come at the same rapid rate of the attack.

Controlling the pace of the contest and taking advantage of a one-man edge for most of the night, the Sockers knocked off the visiting Mississippi Brilla 5-1 on Thursday evening at Grande Communications Stadium. The Sockers out-shot Mississippi 22-7 on the night.

The five goals represent the Sockers' highest total of the season, and their nine combined goals the past two games are four more than the team scored overall in its first five games.

"We've been working really hard in getting the ball forward and creating chances," Sockers FC head coach Matt Barnes said. "We've just been really unlucky this year; we create chances like that all the time."

"But now it's all just really all coming together."

The Sockers (3-3-1) attacked the Brilla's 4-3-3 formation with a steady diet of attacking runs, and it paid off quickly in the 17th minute after an acrobatic goal from defender Xavier Fuerte. Rory Knibbs headed a pass across the box, and with the ball still in the air, Fuerte, who had streaked in from behind the play, got a leg on it and deposited it into the top left corner of the net.

"I was in the back, and somehow I made it to the front," Fuerte said. "I was just thinking, make contact."

Three minutes later, Knibbs was on the other end of a scoring play. The striker from London, England, made a nice run up the middle and took advantage of a pretty pass from fellow forward Tucker Hume.

Play was calm for the majority of the first half following the goal spurt, but the game turned testy in the final five minutes of the frame. Mississippi (2-3-2) was dealt a huge blow when forward Len Smith drew a red card after he dove into Sockers' goalie Clint Long on a challenge in the box.

This forced the Brilla to play a man down, but they did not allow the blow to fester. A mere two minutes later in the 43rd minute, forward Lucas Almeida took a deep shot from 24 yards out that found the back of the net, cutting the defi-

Please see SOCKERS/2C

Martin Kaymer's 65 leads the pack after first day at Open

Associated Press

PINEHURST, N.C. — Much to his delight, Martin Kaymer discovered that Pinehurst No. 2 was even more different than he imagined in the U.S. Open.

This wasn't the beast of a course that Kaymer and so many other players were expecting.

This was a day for scoring. Kaymer made six birdies Thursday afternoon, three on the final five holes, that sent the 29-year-old German to the lowest score in three Opens held at Pinehurst No. 2. He made a 6-foot par putt on the 18th hole for a 5-under 65 and a three-shot lead.

"It was more playable than I thought," he said. "I think that made a big difference mentally, that you feel like there are actually some birdies out there, not only bogeys."

So much was made of the new

look at No. 2, which was restored to its old look from more than a half-century ago. There also was plenty of talk that this U.S. Open would be as tough as any U.S. Open.

When he finished his final day of practice Wednesday under a broiling sun, Kaymer was asked what it would take to win.

"I said plus 8 because the way the golf course played on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday," he said. "But, obviously, they softened the conditions a little bit so it was more playable. So hopefully I'm not right with the plus 8. I would be disappointed."

Former U.S. Open champion Graeme McDowell took the conservative route on his way to a 68 that featured 15 pars, one bogey, one birdie and one eagle. He was joined by Kevin Na, Brendon de Jonge and Fran Quinn, a 49-year-old who last played a U.S. Open in 1996, when

Tiger Woods was still an amateur.

"This was a golf course where I spent the last few days just preparing myself mentally for the challenge, really, knowing that this golf course wasn't going to give much and it was only going to take," McDowell said. "I'm assuming they put some water on this place this morning. And we were able to take advantage of that a little bit early on and actually think about getting at some of those flags."

Brandt Snedeker, who had a chance at 30 on his front nine, had to settle for being part of a large group at 69 that included 20-year-old Jordan Spieth, Henrik Stenson, Matt Kuchar and Dustin Johnson.

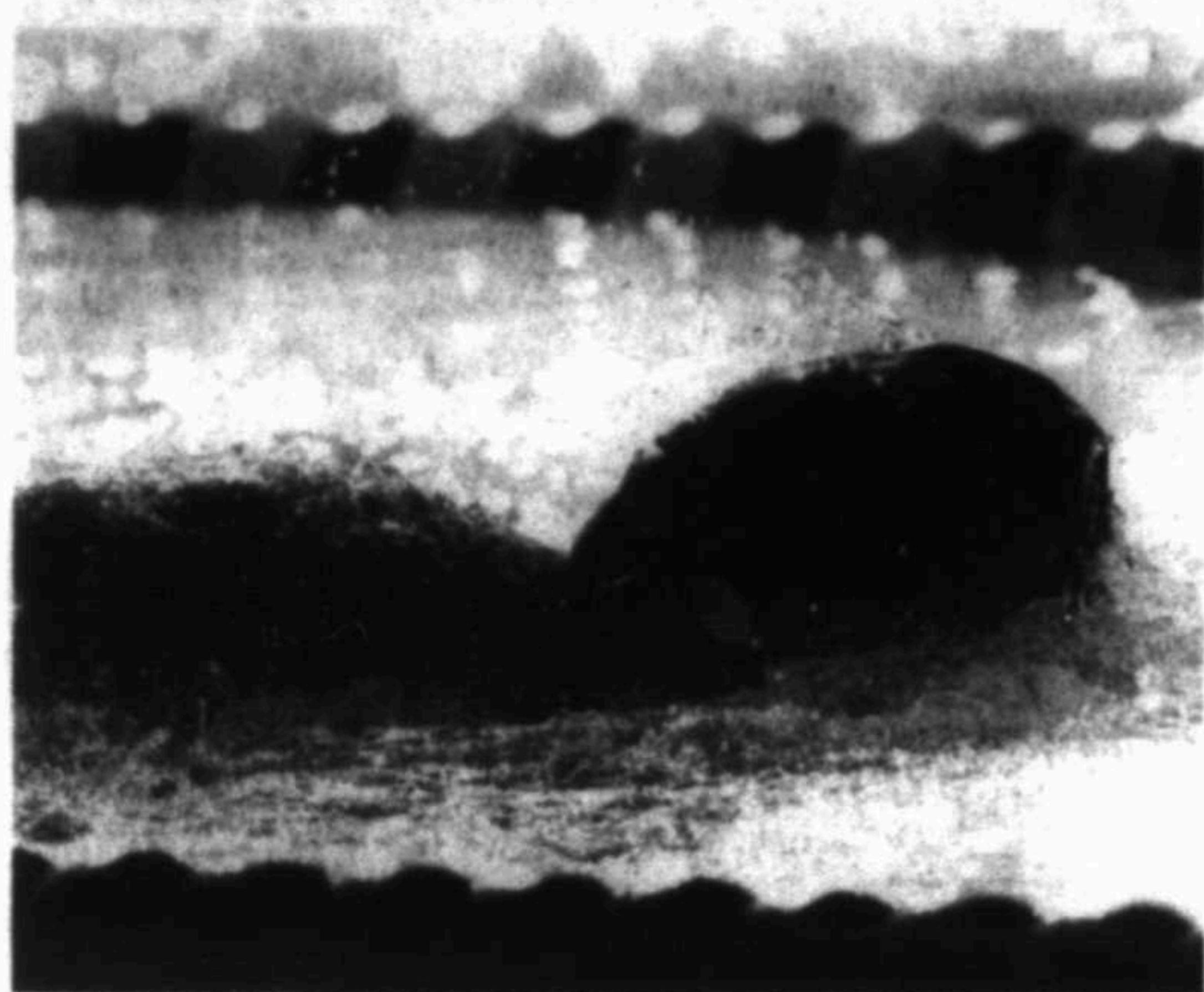
The 15 players to shoot in the 60s were the most for an opening round at the U.S. Open since 24 players did it at rain-softened Olympia



Martin Kaymer, of Germany, hits from the fairway on the 18th hole Thursday during the first round of the U.S. Open in Pinehurst, N.C. Kaymer shot a 65 and heads into today's second round as the leader. Fifteen players shot in the 60s on Thursday, the most for an opening round at the U.S. Open since 24 players did it at Olympia Fields in 2003.

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Associated Press



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Jocelin Drennan of COM Aquatics competes in the girls 15-and-over 1,500-meter freestyle event during the 69th annual Frost Bank Invitational on Thursday at Doug Russell Pool.

COM Aquatics wins pair of relays at invitational

From staff reports

The City of Midland Aquatics Team won a pair of relays Thursday for a strong start to the 69th Frost Bank West Texas Invitational at Doug Russell Pool.

COM Aquatics relay teams won the girls 15-and-over 800-meter freestyle relay and the boys 13-14 year old 800 freestyle relay.

The girls team of Jocelin Drennan, who will be a senior at the University of Nevada next fall, teamed with Kile Carriger, Cassidy Hale and Lindsay Helderich for a time of 9 minutes, 35.13 seconds.

On the boys side, the COM Aquatics team of Collin Ruff, Braden Vines, Nathan Keller and Martin Knorr had a time of 10:05.11 to win that division's relay.

D'Avante Polk, Mollie Wright and Braden Vines also won individual events for COM Aquatics on Thursday. Polk won the boys 11-12 year old

400-meter freestyle with a time of 5:17.13, and Vines took the boys 13-14 1,500-meter freestyle at 17:43.72.

Wright won the girls 13-14 1,500 freestyle with a time of 19:50.99.

The four-day meet will continue today with events beginning at 9 a.m. at Doug Russell Pool.

69TH ANNUAL FROST BANK WEST TEXAS INVITATIONAL Thursday-Sunday Doug Russell Pool Thursday's Results Note: Only winners listed

Girls

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400 freestyle: Abigail Hardy, ATAC, 5:59.58
11-12
400 freestyle: Sarah Gormley, Las Cruces Aquatic Team, 5:17.03

13-14
800 relay: Las Cruces Aquatic Team, 11:15.93
1,500 freestyle: Mollie Wright, COM Aquatics, 19:50.99

15-and-over
800 relay: COM Aquatics, 9:35.13
1,500 freestyle: Victoria Ely, Las Cruces Aquatic Team, 19:06.78

Boys

8-10
400 freestyle: Davis Byrd, Fins, 5:49.24
11-12
400 freestyle: D'Avante Polk, COM Aquatics, 5:17.13

13-14
800 relay: COM Aquatics, 10:05.11
1,500 relay: Braden Vines, COM Aquatics, 17:43.72

15 and over
800 relay: Las Cruces Aquatic Team, 9:06.86
1,500 relay: Noah Lambert, Las Cruces Aquatic Team, 17:59.76

RAIDERS

From IC

of Tim Tadlock, a former Red Raider baseball player himself, as head coach. In just two years, Tadlock has transformed a program that was struggling to even make the Big 12 Tournament to one that is going to Omaha with bigger goals in mind.

"I think they found the secret sauce with Tim and his staff," Redman said.

Jordan and Mike Adams, an infielder for the Red Raiders from 1990 to 1991, both played alongside Tadlock and knew back then that the Denton native had what it took to be a successful coach some day.

"He was our leader, and he was real relaxed," Jordan said about his playing days with Tadlock. "He kind of led by example and he would always pick you up as a player. Without a doubt, the coaches treated him like he was a coach on the field. He was on a different level than most of us."

Adams, an Odessa Permian grad who still lives in Odessa but works in Midland, was Tadlock's roommate during their two years at Tech. He said they first met when he was still playing at Frank Phillips College and Tadlock was playing at Hill College. They first started rooming together when they played summer ball at Amarillo, and they have continued their friendship ever since.

"We had been texting back and forth when they were playing the series with Miami (in the Coral Gables Regional), and after they won that I texted him that night, and we both said that this was a dream come true," Adams said. "I couldn't go up to Lubbock for the Super Regionals because I was playing

the Quarter Century Golf Tournament, but that Sunday, I was watching the game with some buddies at Ratliff (Ranch), and when they started dogpiling, I just started crying. My buddies asked me, 'What's wrong with you?' I just told them that we had been through a lot together."

Zachry said Tadlock should be a hot coaching commodity after this season.

"Tech is going to have to do whatever they can to keep him around," he said. "Tadlock has been successful wherever he's been, and his pitching coach (Ray Hayward) is one of the best in the country."

Unlike these current Red Raider players, the ones who played at Texas Tech during the 1980s and early '90s didn't have the facilities that these players have now.

Howey said when he was a freshman he didn't even have a locker, only a nail to hang his clothes. Looking at the facilities now at Rip Griffin Park, it's safe to say the Red Raiders have more than just a nail.

"They've got the facilities now, and you can recruit a little bit. And when you can recruit, anything can happen," Howey said. "I think they've got the right guy in Tadlock, and they've have invested in the facilities."

Added Adams, "The overall support has grown. We were there during the first year of the turf infield. You walk in there now and you see that the place has come a long way."

If the Red Raiders make a successful run in Omaha over the next week, who knows how far the program will go next.

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Saturday

Game 1 — UC Irvine (40-23) vs. Texas (43-19), 2 p.m.
Game 2 — Louisville (50-15) vs. Vanderbilt (46-19), 7 p.m.

Sunday

Game 3 — Texas Tech (45-19) vs. TCU (47-18), 2 p.m.
Game 4 — Virginia (49-14) vs. Mississippi (46-19), 7 p.m.

June 16

Game 5 — Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser, 2 p.m.
Game 6 — Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner, 7 p.m.

June 17

Game 7 — Game 3 loser vs. Game 4 loser, 2 p.m.
Game 8 — Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 winner, 7 p.m.

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Monday, June 23: Pairings TBA, 7 p.m.
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Wednesday, June 25: Pairings TBA, 7 p.m.

Interleague

ASTROS 5 DIAMONDBACKS 4, 10 INNINGS

HOUSTON — Chris Carter homered leading off the bottom of the 10th inning to give the Houston Astros a 5-4 victory over the Arizona Diamondbacks on Thursday night.

Carter, who homered twice on Wednesday, hit his 13th homer of the season into the Crawford Boxes in left field off J.J. Putz (1-1).

Miguel Montero tied it at 4-4 in the ninth with a home run to left field on the first pitch by closer Chad Qualls.

Carlos Corporan had a two-run home run and Jon Singleton homered and drove in two runs for the Astros, who have won six of their last eight games.

Tony Sipp (1-0) struck out one in a scoreless 10th for the win.

Chris Owings hit a solo homer to get Arizona within 4-3 in the seventh inning.

American League

ORIOLES 4 BLUE JAYS 2

BALTIMORE — Kevin Gausman gave up one run over six innings and Delmon Young homered as the Baltimore Orioles beat Mark Buehrle and the Toronto Blue Jays 4-2 on Thursday night.

Nick Markakis had two hits and an RBI for the Orioles, who moved within 3 1-2 games of first-place Toronto in the AL East.

Gausman (2-1) allowed five hits, walked three and struck out three in his second consecutive solid outing. The 2012 first-round draft pick stymied Oakland on June 7 after being recalled from Triple-A Norfolk and now appears to be a fixture in the starting rotation.

Zach Britton worked the ninth for his sixth save. The victory wasn't secured, however, until a replay review confirmed the final out on a double-play grounder.

Buehrle (10-3) yielded four runs and eight hits in 6 1-3 innings to lose his second straight start following a six-game winning streak.

RED SOX 5 INDIANS 2

BOSTON — Jon Lester worked into the eighth inning and David Ortiz hit a two-run homer to lead the struggling Boston Red Sox to a 5-2 win over the Cleveland Indians on Thursday night.

Brock Holt hit a two-run double and Daniel Nava had three hits as the Red Sox won for just the third time in their last 10 games, a dismal stretch that began with a three-game sweep by the Indians last week.

TIGERS 4 WHITE SOX 0

CHICAGO — Max Scherzer tossed a three-hitter in his first career complete game, and Victor Martinez hit his 16th homer to lead the Detroit Tigers a 4-0 win over the Chicago White Sox on Thursday night.

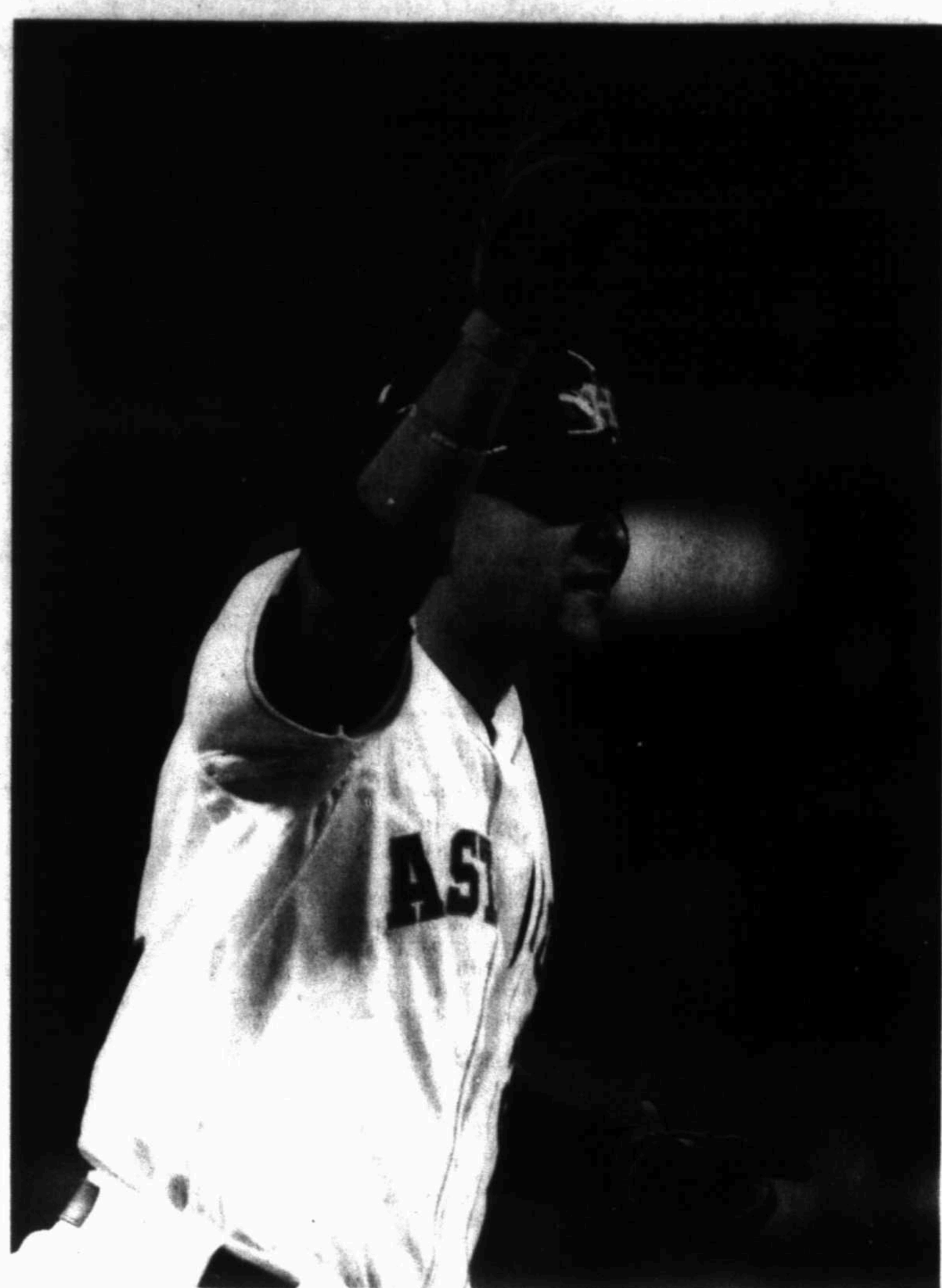
Scherzer (8-2) was back in his 2013 Cy Young form, striking out eight and walking three while outdueling Chicago starter Chris Sale (5-1). Only three times did the White Sox have men in scoring position.

Sale was nearly as sharp as Scherzer. He struck out 10 — all swinging — to match a season high and allowed five hits in seven innings.

Martinez hit a solo shot into the left field bullpen to lead off the fifth and Miguel Cabrera

MLB ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS



Associated Press

The Houston Astros' Carlos Corporan waves as he hits a home run to left field Thursday during the fourth inning against the Arizona Diamondbacks in Houston. Robbie Grossman also scored.

drove in two runs for Detroit. Bryan Holiday drove in an insurance run in the ninth.

He got his second win in 20 starts, dating to last year.

Giants, who had a five-game winning streak before Washington came to town.

National League

ROCKIES 10 BRAVES 3

DENVER — Corey Dickerson hit Atlanta catcher Gerald Laird with his backswing and tempers quickly flared, setting off a tense sequence and leading to several ejections Thursday as the Colorado Rockies beat the Braves 10-3.

The Rockies led 8-3 in the eighth when Dickerson knocked off Laird's facemask with his swing — it appeared accidental. Laird was down for several minutes before walking off the field on his own and being replaced by Evan Gattis.

With his next pitch, Atlanta reliever David Carpenter hit Dickerson in the thigh and was ejected.

Rockies manager Walt Weiss bolted from the dugout and yelled at Carpenter, as well as in the general direction of Braves manager Fredi Gonzalez. Weiss was held back by plate umpire Jordan Baker before being ejected.

In the ninth, Rockies reliever Nick Masset hit Gattis in the hip with a pitch. Both Masset and Rockies bench coach Tom Runnels were tossed.

GIANTS 7 NATIONALS 1

SAN FRANCISCO — Tim Lincecum threw seven strong innings and left with a major league-best 1.81 ERA as the San Francisco Giants avoided a four-game sweep, beating the Washington Nationals 7-1 on Thursday.

Michael Morse got three hits and scored twice for the

PIRATES 4 CUBS 0

PITTSBURGH — Andrew McCutchen had two doubles and two RBIs to lift the Pittsburgh Pirates to a 4-0 victory over the Chicago Cubs on Thursday night.

Russell Martin also doubled twice for the Pirates and rookie Gregory Polanco got a hit in the third straight game since his call-up. Edinson Volquez (4-5) pitched seven effective innings to win for the third time in his last five starts.

McCutchen, the reigning National League MVP, broke it open with a two-run double in the fifth off Jeff Samardzija (2-6). McCutchen is batting .428 (18 of 42) with 15 extra-base hits in June. The Pirates had seven doubles in all, their highest total since a win over Houston in July 2010.

BREWERS 5, METS 1, 13 INNINGS

NEW YORK — Jonathan Lucroy hit a tiebreaking homer in a four-run 13th inning and the Milwaukee Brewers outlasted the New York Mets 5-1 on Thursday night after an unusual rain delay that lasted all of 3 minutes.

Aramis Ramirez homered early to end a Brewers' power drought and finished with three hits, helping the NL Central leaders take two of three in the series. Milwaukee (40-27) completed a 5-3 road trip with its 10th victory in 15 games overall, matching a season high at 13 games above .500.

MLB AT A GLANCE

6:10 p.m.
San Diego (Cashner 2-5) at N.Y. Mets (Cotton 5-1), 6:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels (C. Wilson 7-5) at Atlanta (Harang 4-5), 6:35 p.m.
Cincinnati (Baird 7-3) at Milwaukee (Garza 4-4), 7:10 p.m.
Washington (Zimmerman 5-2) at St. Louis (Lynn 6-4), 7:15 p.m.
Hill dr. 4:30 p.m. MGRN 3b, 5:00 p.m.
Kershaw 5-2; 9:10 p.m.
Colorado (J. De La Rosa 6-5) at San Francisco (Lincolnson 5-4), 9:15 p.m.

AL West box scores

ASTROS 5, DIAMONDBACKS 4, 10 INNINGS

ASTROS	AB	R	H	BI
Greggs 2b	3	1	0	1
GParras rf	5	0	0	0
Gidycz 1b	4	0	2	0
Prado 3b	5	0	1	0
Milner c	4	1	1	1
Hill dr	4	0	0	0
Owings ss	4	1	1	1
DPerrin lf	4	1	3	0
incant cf	2	0	0	0
Cross rf	2	0	0	0
Totals	37	4	8	3

Arizona — .001 .001 .001 .001
Houston — .101 .200 .000 1-5

No outs when winning run scored

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KWWT CW	5	14	5	14	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Gilligan's Island	Happy Days	Hogan's Heroes	Welcome Kottler	The Odd Couple	
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CNBC	46	45	39	72	Remington Under Fire	Car	Car	Car	Car	Car	Car	Car
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	OutFront	A. Cooper 360	The Sixties	Spotlight	Guard	Anthony "Thailand"	Anthony Bourdain
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Deadliest Catch	Siberian Cut	Siberian Cut (N)	Chrome Undergr. (N)	Siberian Cut: Frozen	Chrome "Blind Sided"	Chrome "Blind Sided"
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	(5:20) 16 Wishes	Jessie (N) "Dog Blog"	I Didn't	Liv/Mad	Austin	Liv/Mad	GoodLuck
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	SportsCenter	USGA Best of the U.S. Open U.S. Open			SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	(5:00) FIFA Soccer	SportsCenter	World Cup Tonight (L)		Olbermann (L)	ESPN FC	ESPN FC
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	(5:30) Jumanji	(5:30) Jumanji	(5:30) Jumanji	(5:30) Jumanji	(5:30) Jumanji	(5:30) Jumanji	(5:30) Jumanji
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	On the Record	The O'Reilly Factor	The Kelly File	Hannity	The O'Reilly Factor	The Kelly File	The Kelly File
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Diners... Diners, Dr. Diners...	Diners... Diners, Dr. Diners...	Diners... Diners, Dr. Diners...	Diners... Diners, Dr. Diners...	Diners... Diners, Dr. Diners...	Diners... Diners, Dr. Diners...	Diners... Diners, Dr. Diners...
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	SportsD...y OnAir	Rangers Insider	WNBA Basketball Seattle Storm at San Antonio Silver Stars Site: SBC Center (L)	Bull Riding Championship	Words "Jim Hill"	Rangers Insider	Icons of Coaching
FX	31	31	59	64	69	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother
HALLMARK	54	49	58	34	The Waltons	The Waltons	The Waltons	The Waltons	The Waltons	The Waltons	The Waltons	The Waltons
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	House	HouseH	Love It or List It	HouseH	House	House	House
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	Celeb Wife "Rick Flair/Roddy Piper"	Celeb Wife "Rick Flair/Roddy Piper"	Celeb Wife "Rick Flair/Roddy Piper"	Celeb Wife "Rick Flair/Roddy Piper"	Celeb Wife "Rick Flair/Roddy Piper"	Celeb Wife "Rick Flair/Roddy Piper"	Celeb Wife "Rick Flair/Roddy Piper"
MSNBC	47	51	49	73	Hardball	All in With C. Hayes	Rachel Maddow	MSNBCDocumentary	MSNBCDocumentary	MSNBCDocumentary	MSNBCDocumentary	MSNBCDocumentary
NBCSN	38	39				NHL Live! (L)	NHL Live! (L)	NHL Live! (L)	NHL Live! (L)	NHL Live! (L)	NHL Live! (L)	NHL Live! (L)
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	(5:30) Rookie of the Year Ian Nicholas	(5:30) Rookie of the Year Ian Nicholas	(5:30) Rookie of the Year Ian Nicholas	(5:30) Rookie of the Year Ian Nicholas	(5:30) Rookie of the Year Ian Nicholas	(5:30) Rookie of the Year Ian Nicholas	(5:30) Rookie of the Year Ian Nicholas
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SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	(5:00) The Invasion	(5:00) The Invasion	(5:00) The Invasion	(5:00) The Invasion	(5:00) The Invasion	(5:00) The Invasion	(5:00) The Invasion
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld
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TELE	20	8	10	20		Caso cerrado	La impostora	En otra piel	El señor de los cielos (Al rojo)	(5:30) Titular	En otra piel	En otra piel
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Something Borrowed	Something Borrowed	Yes to the Dress	Yes to the Dress	I Found the Gown	I Found the Gown	I Found the Gown
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	Supernatural "Scarce"	Supernatural "Scarce"	Supernatural "Scarce"	Supernatural "Scarce"	Supernatural "Scarce"	Supernatural "Scarce"	Supernatural "Scarce"
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	Gilligan (5:30) Gilligan	Gilligan	Who's the Boss?	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens
USA	26	30	42	27	49	Law & Order: S.V.U. "Birthright"	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family
WGN	19	18				MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at Philadelphia Phillies Site: Citizens Bank Park - Philadelphia, Pa. (L)	MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at Philadelphia Phillies Site: Citizens Bank Park - Philadelphia, Pa. (L)	MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at Philadelphia Phillies Site: Citizens Bank Park - Philadelphia, Pa. (L)	MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at Philadelphia Phillies Site: Citizens Bank Park - Philadelphia, Pa. (L)	MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at Philadelphia Phillies Site: Citizens Bank Park - Philadelphia, Pa. (L)	MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at Philadelphia Phillies Site: Citizens Bank Park - Philadelphia, Pa. (L)	MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs at Philadelphia Phillies Site: Citizens Bank Park - Philadelphia, Pa. (L)

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Fields in 2003.

Phil Mickelson, in his latest quest to win the one major keeping him from the career Grand Slam, shot a 70. He was among the early starters, who received additional help by cloud cover that kept moisture in the greens. Mickelson doesn't expect Pinehurst to be any easier the rest of the week.

"There was some low scoring out there — some good scoring, I should say," he said. "Anything around par, it's usually a good score."

Masters champion Bubba Watson was among the exceptions. He shot a 76 and said, "This course is better than me right now."

The sun broke through shortly before noon and began to bake the course, though not enough to stop Kaymer. He watched some of the tournament on television in the morning, and he was particularly struck by the sight of Stenson's 6-iron into the par-3 15th only rolling out a few feet. Kaymer expected it to roll off the green.

"Last night I thought that it's going to be very, very firm in the afternoon," he said. "But actually, it was more playable than I thought."

Not everyone was able to take advantage.

Defending champion Justin Rose had a 72, making his bid a little tougher to become the first repeat winner in 25 years. Adam Scott, the world No. 1 who has been formidable

in every major the last two years except the U.S. Open, had a 73.

Scott wasn't about to panic. Pinehurst only figures to get more difficult. "You know how it's going to be at the end of the week," Scott said. "We're going to be looking at even par, or something around that."

Kaymer picked up four birdies with relative ease — three wedges to inside 3 feet, and a high draw with a 3-wood to about 20 feet on the par-5 fifth for a two-putt birdie. A few longer putts at the end really dressed up the score.

He hit a 6-iron at the flag on the 16th hole and made a 12-foot birdie putt, and then hit another 6-iron at the par-3 17th to about 10 feet for birdie.

Kaymer tied the course record with a 63 in the opening round when he won The Players Championship last month, ending a drought of 18 months. That only boosted his confidence, and the 65 on Thursday only adds to it.

Even so, he realizes it's only one round, and that the course probably won't be so kind or gentle the rest of the way.

"I would have never expected myself to shoot such a low round at Pinehurst ... but it's a good round of golf," he said. "I wasn't expecting it. I'm not freaking out about it. It's the first round of a very, very important tournament. I put myself so far in a good position, but we have three rounds to go. The golf course can change a lot."

THURSDAY'S US OPEN SCORES

Player	Score	Player	Score	Player	Score
Martin Kaymer	34-31-65	Kevin Kisner	36-37-75	a-Sam Love	35-41-76
Kevin Na	34-34-68	Lee Westwood	37-38-75	Brett Stegmaier	39-38-77
Graeme McDowell	34-34-68	Billy Horschel	37-38-75	D.A. Points	39-38-77
Brendon De Jonghe	34-34-68	Kevin Sutherland	39-36-75	Jonas Blom	39-36-77
Fran Quinn	34-34-68	Justin Thomas	37-38-75	Brady Hall	39-36-77
Brandt Snedeker	31-38-69	David Oh	36-37-75	a-Wil Griermer	35-43-77
Henrik Stenson	35-34-69	Ken Duke	41-34-75	Kevin Stadler	39-38-77
Matt Kuchar	32-37-69	Justin Leonard	36-39-75	Luke Donald	37-40-77
Brendon Todd	34-35-69	Kenny Perry	35-40-75	a-Cory Whitsett	40-37-77
Jordan Spieth	34-35-69	Craig Barlow	35-39-74	Azuma Hino	39-38-77
Hideki Matsuyama	34-35-69	Wen-Chang Liang	35-39-74	a-Cameron Wilson	40-38-78
Dustin Johnson	34-35-69	Matt Dobyns	37-37-74	Aron Price	39-40-78
Harris English	34-35-69	a-Maverick McNeely	38-36-74	a-Robby Shelton	39-38-78
Keegan Bradley	33-36-69	Oliver Fisher	37-37-74	Nick Mason	39-40-78
Francisco Molinari	35-35-69	Casey Wittenberg	36-38-74	Anthony Broussard	40-38-78
Henrik Norlander	35-35-70	Andres Echavarria	37-37-74	Robert Allenby	42-37-79
Lucas Bjerggaard	35-35-70	Ernie Els	37-37-74	Tom Lewis	39-40-78
Marcel Siem	37-33-70	Ryan Mahan	37-37-74	a-Brian Campbell	40-39-78
Ian Poulter	35-35-70	Hunter Palmer	35-39-74	Steven Alier	38-38-78
Phil Mickelson	36-34-70	Jim Renner	35-39-74	Niclas Fasth	36-40-76
Joel Luiten	35-34-70	Chris Doak	40-34-74	Hudson Swafford	35-41-76
Russell Henley	34-36-70	Rob Oppenheimer	39-36-75	Bubba Watson	36-38-76
Rickie Fowler	35-35-70	Brian Shaud	38-37-75	Gonzalo Fdez-Castano	38-38-76
Aaron Baddeley	38-32-70	Andria Pevan	36-39-75	David Gossett	39-37-76
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Patrick Reed	35-36-71				
Boo Weekley	35-35-71				
Webb Simpson	35-36-71				
Rory McIlroy	36-35-71				
Zach Johnson	33-38-71				
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Justin Rose	33-39-72				
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TODAY: Mostly sunny High: 89 Low: 74	SATURDAY: Mostly sunny High: 95 Low: 73	SUNDAY: Mostly sunny High: 97 Low: 73	MONDAY: Mostly sunny High: 96 Low: 72	TUESDAY: Sunny High: 96 Low: 71	WEDNESDAY: Sunny High: 96 Low: 71
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Local forecast

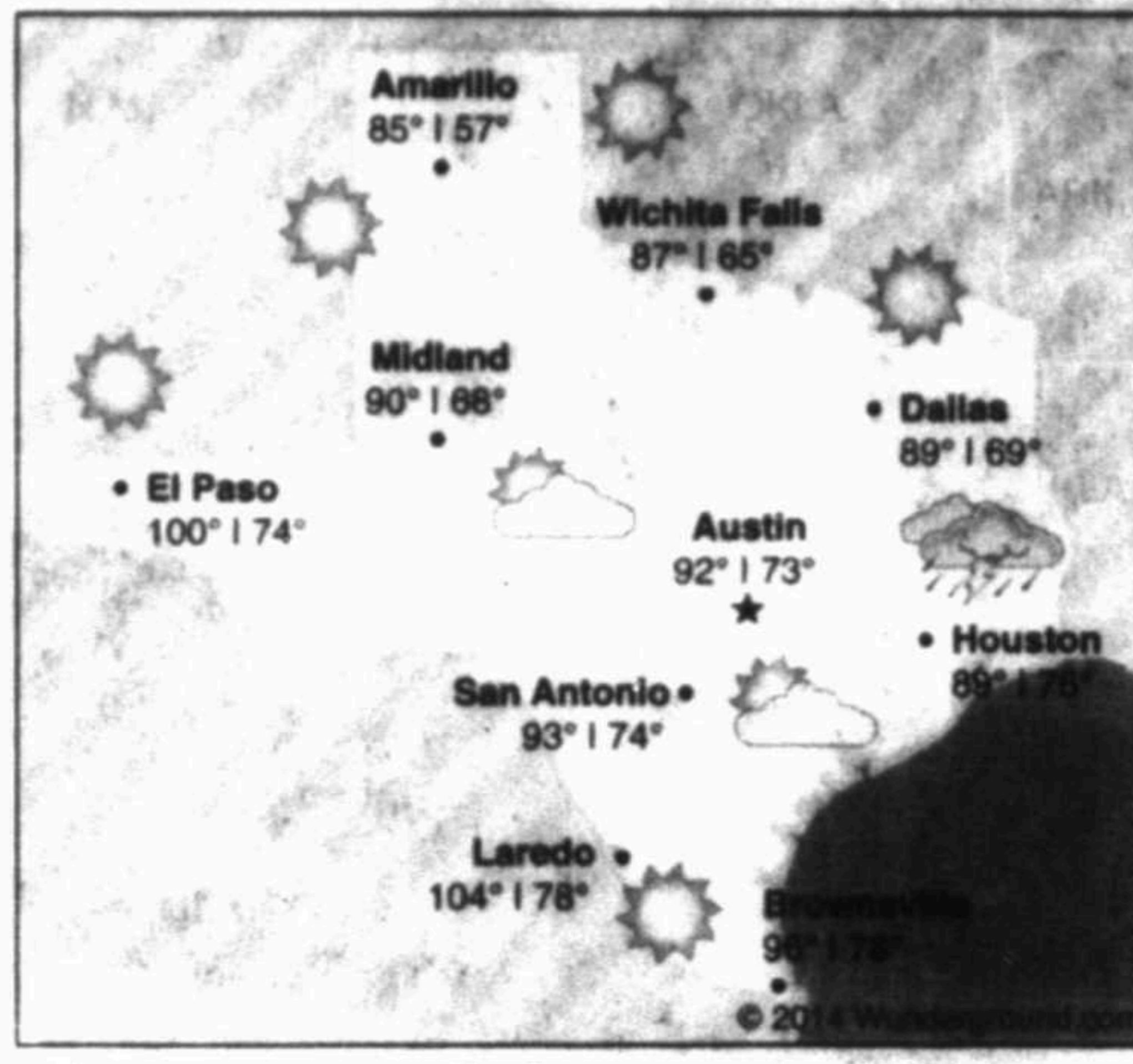
Expect sunny skies today with a high around 89 and a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly after 2 p.m. The chance of rain continues Saturday and Sunday. High temperatures those days could reach the mid-to-upper 90s.

The high on Thursday reached 96, while the low dropped to 72. The record high for June 12 is 105 set in 2001. The record low is 55 set in 1979.

Weather Whys

Q: Do tornadoes ever change direction?
They can move in any direction, said Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University, but most have a common path. "Most tornadoes move from the southwest to the northeast, but not all do," he added. "It used to be thought that all tornadoes moved to the northeast, but now we know that they can move in any direction. Tornadoes develop from severe thunderstorms, and they generally move in whatever direction that particular thunderstorm is moving."

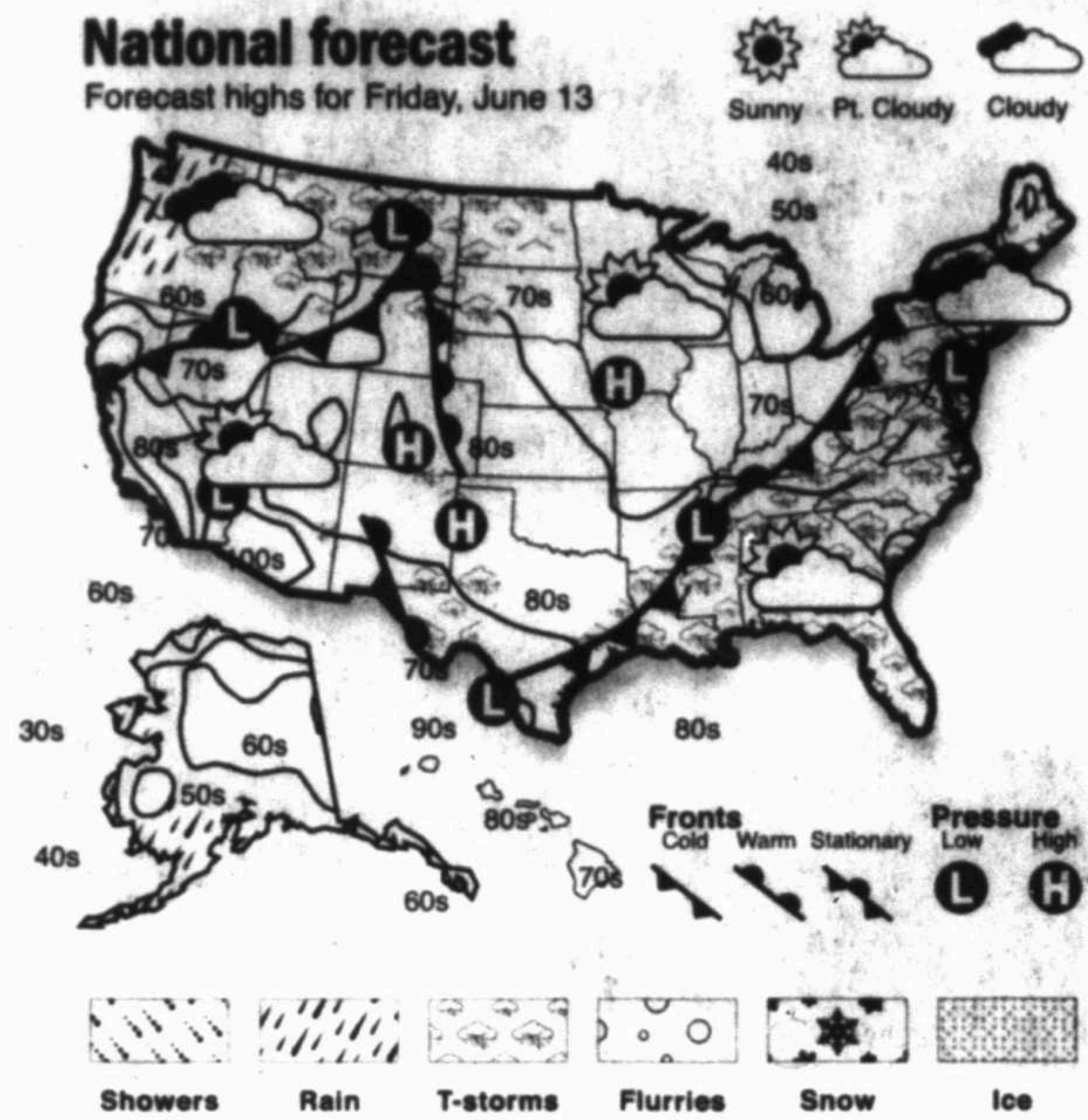
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Precipitation	Thursday's temperatures
Wednesday.....0.01 in.	High.....96
Thursday.....0.00 in.	Low.....72
Month total.....0.01 in.	Normal high.....93
Year total.....3.17 in.	Normal low.....67
Normal total	Sunrise6:42 a.m.
(year to date).....5.03 in.	Sunset8:55 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Friday, June 13



Dad is eager to do everything right for his baby daughter

DEAR ABBY: I'm a married father with a son 19 months old, and a baby girl on the way. While I couldn't be more excited about my daughter's impending arrival, I'm unsure about whether there is a right time to stop doing things like changing a diaper or seeing my daughter unclothed because she's a girl and I'm not.

I come from a conservative family, but because this is a new experience for me, I'm not sure how to go about it. I know this dynamic changes when these roles are occupied by a mother and her son, and that a little boy is probably older by the time the transition occurs. I don't want to end up in a position where my wife or daughter regrets my involvement in some aspects of my daughter's life. Any thoughts?

DEAR ABBY

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emotionally. In fact, the opposite is true. Discuss this with your wife and your daughter's pediatrician, and I'm sure they will allay your fears.

As to when you should stop seeing your daughter unclothed, you have years before that may become necessary. As she becomes aware of her changing body, she will probably let you know, or her mother will. This is a cultural thing. Some families practice a naturist lifestyle without anyone being "damaged" by it.

of the accommodations on the interstate can be fully booked due to weather or local events, and travelers are sometimes forced to drive several hundred miles to find a room for the night. You can help your readers by reminding them that they should start checking on motel occupancy early in the day, or even the day before, if they know where they would like to stop for the night. That way, situations like this can be avoided, and they will have a more enjoyable and relaxing trip. — **ON THE ROAD AGAIN**

DEAR ABBY: I have been working as a desk clerk at a motel in Montana for several years. With travel season here, I was hoping you could help your readers who find themselves on the road to avoid sleepless nights and headaches.

Several times a year many

DEAR ON THE ROAD: Thank you for the suggestion. Many of my readers take road trips during the summer months, and I hope they'll remember your letter before they start the ignition and head for the highways.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

The cards forgive

East-West vulnerable. West deals.

NORTH
♠ J 8 5
♥ J 8
♦ A Q 10 9 6
♣ 5 4 3

WEST
♠ Q 9 4 3 2
♥ A K 9
♦ 2
♣ Q J 8 7

EAST
♠ 10 7
♥ 7 6 5 4 3
♦ J 4 3
♣ A 9 2

SOUTH
♠ A K 6
♥ Q 10 2
♦ K 8 7 5
♣ K 10 6

The bidding:
WEST 1♠ Pass
NORTH 2♣ Pass
EAST Pass
SOUTH 3NT Pass

Opening lead: Seven of ♠

hearts before clearing the club suit. He sat back with two seemingly certain tricks in his hand, expecting to defeat the contract.

South began running dummy's diamonds and reached this position with one diamond left to cash:

NORTH
♠ J 8 5
♥ J
♦ 6

WEST
♠ Q 9 4
♥ K
♦ Q

EAST
♠ 10 7
♥ 7 6 5

SOUTH
♠ A K 6
♥ Q 10

Anyone who overcalls at the two-level on the North hand should not play bridge for money. Fortunately for North, there is no automatic penalty for a bad bid — sometimes the cards forgive.

East won the opening club lead with the ace and returned the nine, ducked to West's jack. West cashed the ace of

On the last diamond, declarer shed a heart, but West was skewered. He had to discard his queen of clubs to protect the majors. South now led his remaining heart and West was forced to win his king and lead away from his queen of spades. Three no-trump, bid and made!

"We never would have reached game without my overcall," said North.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

- HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Friday, June 13, 2014:
- This year you display good sense mixed with a love of adventure. This combination points to living your life more intensely and experiencing greater success. Prioritize. If you are single, you will meet several potential sweeties. Choose someone who has a similar energy level to yours. If you are attached, your significant other might be amazed at the newfound you. Give this person some time to adjust, and he or she will learn to live more intensely as well. **CAPRICORN** can be a stick in the mud.
- ARIES** (March 21-April 19) ★★★ Be more forthcoming and direct in your dealings with someone at a distance. You could be overwhelmed by the sense of pressure you feel. Forget about second-guessing what others are thinking; follow through on what is right for you. Tonight, in the limelight.
- TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ You might want to approach a situation in a novel way. What will become clear is that your path prior to this moment has been unsuccessful. Detach. Hold a light to the problem. Study your options and test them out. Tonight: Where great music is played.
- GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ A lot of people could be acting in odd ways. Perhaps you are more off base than you realize. Let bygones be bygones, and open up more to a partner or trusted loved one. Get this person's perspective. Tonight: Don't try to fight the inevitable.
- CANCER** (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ You might see life from a new perspective. How you handle a personal matter could be subject to change because of recent events. Listen carefully to feedback. You will find a better way to move this issue along. Tonight: So many friends, so many possibilities.
- LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ Your ideas this morning could interfere with set plans. Go with the flow. Later today you might be thinking that it is too late to begin a new project or too late to finish one. Consider taking off early. Tonight: Walk to your favorite haunt or head to the gym.
- VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ Motivating yourself could take a lot of effort. A child or loved one might appear with a wonderful suggestion.

- Note how quickly your tune changes. Use the remainder of the day for more pleasurable pursuits, and set the stage for a fun few days. Tonight: TGIF calls.
- LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ You could be taken aback by what you hear. Whether it is gossip or fact might be irrelevant. Understand that you have an innate quality of openness that makes people feel that they can share with you. Finish up your errands quickly. Tonight: Happiest at home.
- SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ You would be wise to balance your checkbook before the end of the day. You might be making a major purchase or heading into a period of not wanting to worry about your budget. Be realistic, and you will have a great time. Tonight: Meet up with some friends.
- SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ You'll feel empowered in the morning. An awkward but necessary discussion could occur with a partner who is out of sorts. Spending could evolve to become a crucial issue. You might not like what you hear, but you'll see the other party's perspective. Tonight: Your treat.
- CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Honor your feelings. You might not want to act on them immediately, but be careful not to disregard them, either. Your ability to float past problems could emerge. Your view might change, but your emotions will remain the same. Tonight: Let the party begin.
- AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ You might want to see a loved one in a new light, but you could have a difficult time letting your guard down. Detach, and pretend that you don't know this person. As a result, you will gain a more positive outlook. Tonight: Skip out early. TGIF!
- PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ Respond to demands, even if you question your ability to meet them. In the evening, a meeting will open up others to a discussion. Note that you'll have more support than you originally might have thought. Learn what others want in exchange. Tonight: Out on the town.
- BORN TODAY**
Poet William Butler Yeats (1865), actor Chris Evans (1981), actor Tim Allen (1953)

DAILY CROSSWORD

- ACROSS**
- Album with the hit "Mamma Mia"
 - They won't last
 - Little bits
 - Combat with seconds
 - Sashimi fish
 - Shinto temple gateway
 - Look like a wolf
 - Roadside sign for sticklers?
 - Bar round
 - One may be restricted
 - Bar staple
 - Blood-typing letters
 - Prest in 1 Samuel
 - Yacht club hanging
 - Homer's father, on "The Simpsons"
 - Lower-class bovine?
 - Blue stuff
 - Church cheers
 - "Respect" songwriter
 - Redding
 - "Tarzan" character at an Imax?
 - Jazzy style
 - "The Return of the Native" heroine — Vye
 - Comparative word
 - Coat
 - waterproofing application?
 - Macklemore's genre
 - Bemina Range peak
 - Bojangles' art
 - Jeanne d'Arc, e.g.: Abbr.
 - Blotter letters
 - Boxy transports
 - Fix permanently
 - Spiders' talent show?
 - Mata —
 - Lollapaloozas
 - Present day, for short
 - Land west of Nod, in Genesis
 - Tuckered out
 - Vacation sub
 - Like a doornail
- DOWN**
- Fuss
 - Cause of worry
 - Air delivery method?
 - On the quieter side
 - Fashion plate
 - Mimic
 - Opening word?
 - Rose of —
 - Rose oil
 - screen: medical test
 - Art requiring a folder
 - Airport transport
 - Ring seal
 - Unlike Oscar Madison
 - "Already caught that film!"
 - Weimar word of woe
 - Turner on a screen
 - "Winning ... all-the-time thing": Lombardi
 - Missionary's concern
 - Starlike flower
 - Bargain
 - Recorded, in a way
 - A moment ago

- Like Phileas Fogg during much of his journey
- Overhaul method?
- Fit
- Dishwasher brand
- Trisected
- Bolted
- Fishes, in a way
- A ref may throw one
- "Right after this show ..."
- Captain's order
- Classic 1954 horror film whose title creatures have invaded this puzzle
- Many a bon mot
- '60s arena
- 1/48 cup. Abbr.
- Cartridge contents

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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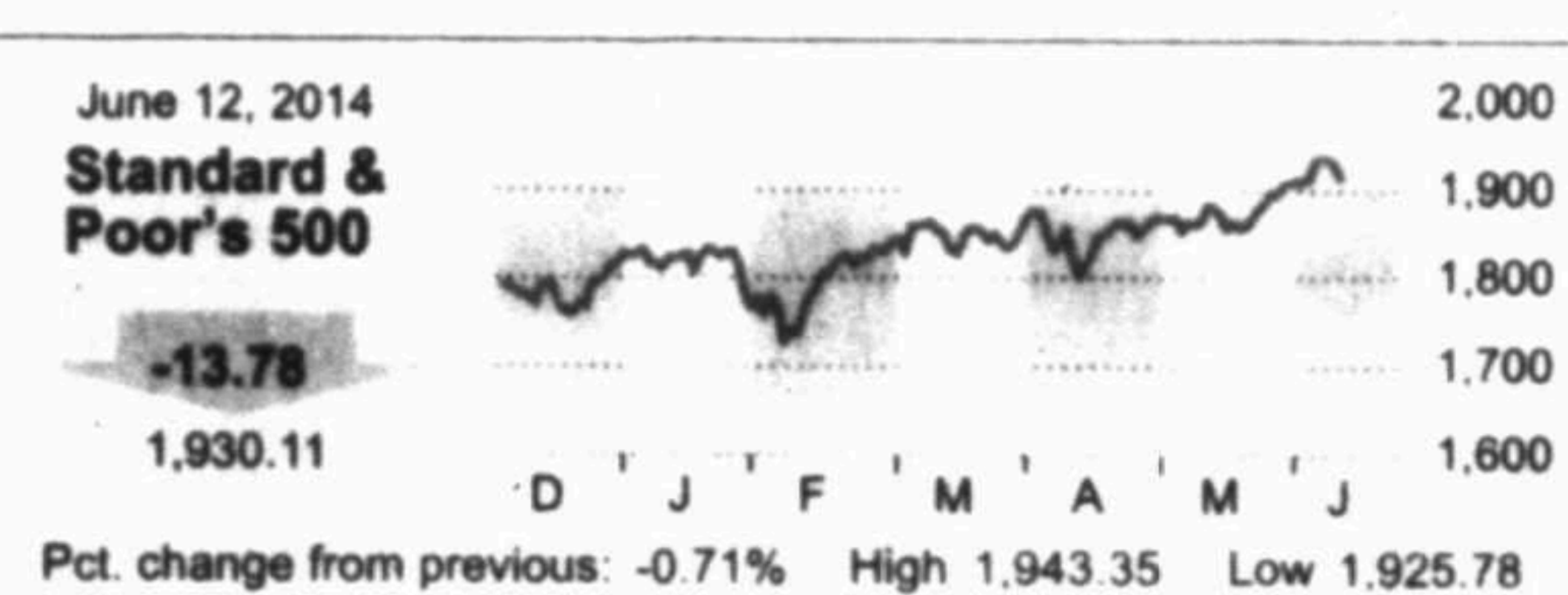
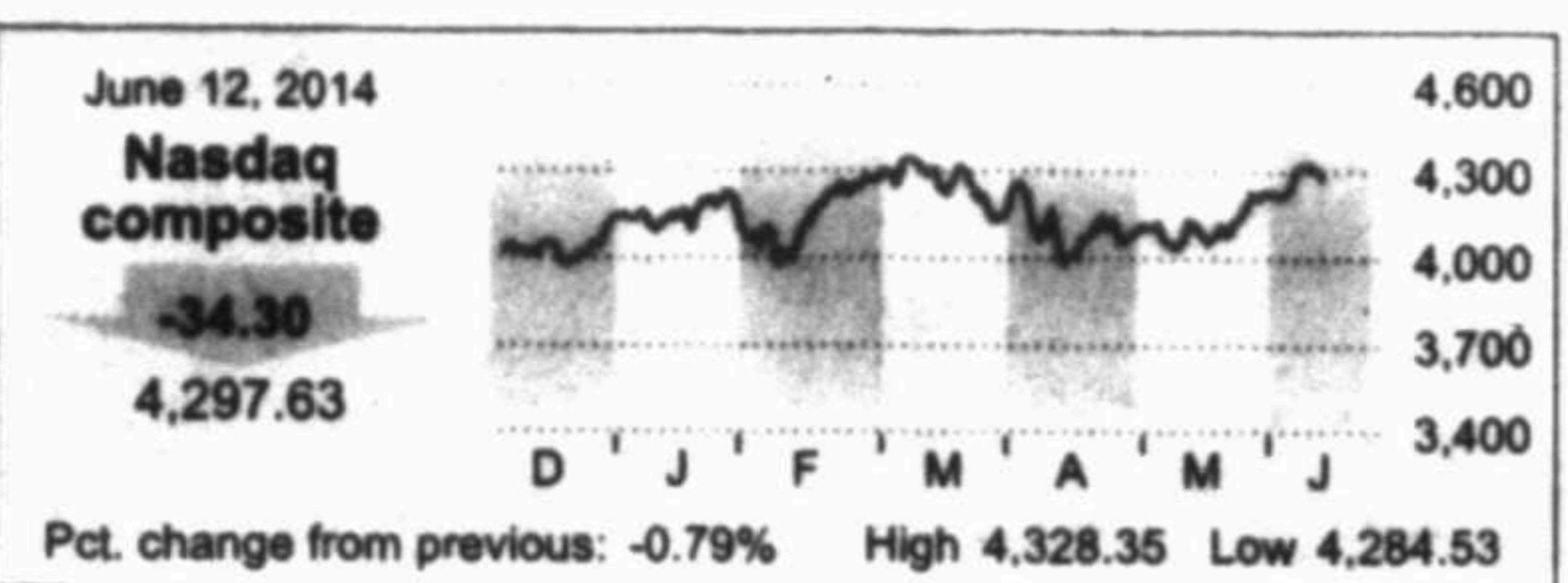
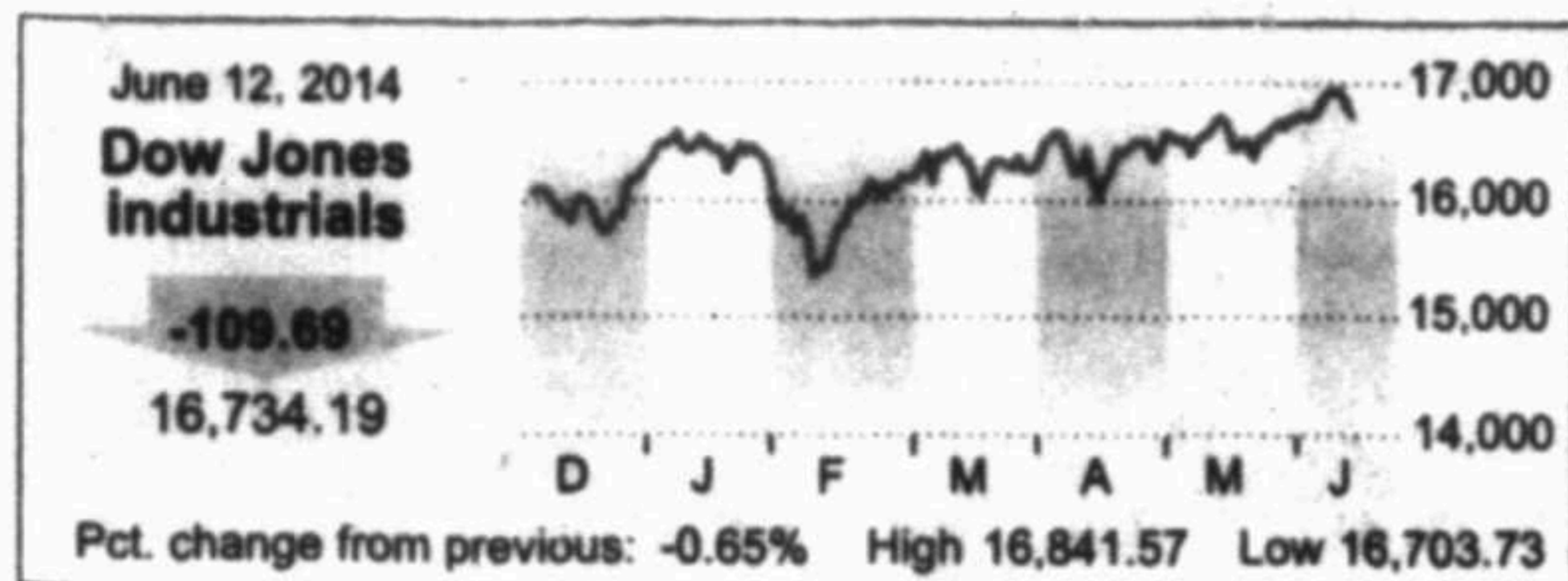
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A DAY ON WALL STREET



Court rules for Pom in dispute with Coca-Cola over labeling

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Coca Cola's version of pomegranate juice is not quite the real thing, and a competitor has another chance to prove it in court.

The Supreme Court on Thursday sided with juice maker Pom Wonderful in its long-running false advertising dispute with the Coca-Cola Co., a decision that could open the door to more litigation against food makers for deceptive labeling.

The justices ruled 8-0 that Pom can go forward with a lawsuit alleging the label on a "Pomegranate Blueberry" beverage offered by Coke's Minute Maid unit is misleading because 99 percent of the drink is apple and grape juice.

Lower courts had ruled in favor of Coke because the label conformed to the law and to Food and Drug Administration rules. But the Supreme Court reversed, finding that the juice label may technically comply with FDA rules but may still mislead consumers for different reasons.

Justice Anthony Kennedy, who wrote the court's opinion, appeared to have telegraphed his position back in April when he said at oral argument that the label even misled him into thinking the drink was mostly pomegranate juice. His opinion Thursday focused on the juice's details, noting that the product contained only 0.3 percent pomegranate juice, 0.2 percent blueberry juice and 0.1 percent raspberry juice.

Kennedy said the law governing regulation of food and drug labels does not preclude a competitor from suing under a different law — the Lanham Act — for unfair competition based on false or misleading claims. He said federal food and trademark laws complement each other in the regulation of misleading labels.

Justice Stephen Breyer took no part in

the case.

The court also rejected Coke's argument that allowing a deceptive labeling claim would interfere with national uniformity under FDA laws. Kennedy said Congress chose to allow challenges under trademark law "to enforce a national policy to ensure fair competition."

Pom, which faces deceptive advertising claims of its own, filed its lawsuit against Coke in 2008 after it began losing market share to Minute Maid's "Pomegranate Blueberry Flavored Blend of 5 Juices" drink. The drink's label shows the words "Pomegranate Blueberry" in much larger type than the rest of the phrase and includes a prominent picture of large pomegranate set among other fruits.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled in favor of Coke, finding that food labeling laws preclude private lawsuits under trademark law.

The food and beverage industry had expressed concerns that a ruling by Pom would lead to greater uncertainty about labeling requirements and lead to a flurry of new lawsuits.

Coke's lawyer claimed during oral arguments that it would be a "logistical nightmare" for food companies to have to change labels in response to every private lawsuit. The beverage giant says the federal government, not competitors, should be enforcing uniform label requirements.

In a statement, Pom's parent company Roll Global said the decision "will translate into higher assurance for consumers that the labels on beverage and food are accurate."

Coke released a statement saying it is "committed to clear labeling that fully complies with FDA regulations." The company said it would defend against Pom's lawsuit and show "that our product was not the cause of Pom's poor sales."

Oil jumps on Iraq fears

The price of oil jumped Thursday as an insurgency in Iraq raised the risk of disruptions to supplies at a time when other major oil-producing countries are already pumping near capacity.

The al-Qaida-inspired group that captured two key cities in Iraq earlier this week vowed Thursday to march on to Baghdad.

West Texas Intermediate, the benchmark U.S. oil, rose \$2.13, or 2 percent, to close at \$106.53 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Brent crude, a benchmark for international oils, rose more sharply, gaining \$3.07, or 2.8 percent, to \$113.02 a barrel on the ICE Futures exchange in London.

Platinum, palladium lower

Platinum and palladium prices slumped on Thursday on news of a deal to end South Africa's long-running mining strike.

The price of platinum for delivery in July fell \$39.80, or 2.7 percent, to \$1,441.30 an ounce. September palladium fell \$40.75, or 4.7 percent, to \$819.40.

In other metals trading, gold and silver rose, but copper edged lower.

The price of gold for delivery in August rose \$12.80, or 1 percent, to \$1,274. Silver for July gained 36.1 cents, or 1.9 percent, to \$19.53 an ounce. Copper for the same month fell 2.5 cents, or 0.8 percent, to \$3.02 per pound.

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Closing Price \$29.77 Up 0.91

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price \$84.69 Up 0.85

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price \$29.86 Up 0.44

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price \$8.72 Down 0.51

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price \$32.84 Up 0.36

Parsley Energy (PE)
Closing Price \$24.99 Up 0.03

RSP Permian (RSP)
Closing Price \$28.08 Up 0.54

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price \$18.93 Up 0.07

OIL PRICES

FUTURES

Thursday: \$106.53
Previous: \$104.40

POSTED

Thursday: \$103.00
Previous: \$101.00

WEST TEXAS SOUR

Thursday: \$94.40
Previous: \$92.40

NATURAL GAS

Thursday: \$4.762
Previous: \$4.508

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE (\$1 on stock)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg	%Chg
S&P500ETF	183,531,954	-1.38		
BioAm	64,085,152	-17		
Twitter	56,843,367	+125		
ISHMIX	38,265,435	-21		
ISH2K	37,513,115	-71		

GAINERS (\$2 on stock)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Amrep	6.61	+1.43	+27.6
DirGMBull	23.74	+3.54	+17.5
CSVLGN	28.02	+3.62	+14.8
Strosco	21.16	+2.80	+14.0
RestorHw	80.40	+9.05	+12.7

LOSERS (\$2 on stock)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
DirGMBear	16.25	-3.97	-24.4
SouFin	8.83	-1.81	-20.5
CSVLN	2.59	-0.46	-15.1
Jamei	26.33	-3.59	-13.6
Vah	5.27	-0.66	-12.5

DIARY

Advanced	Volume
1,293	2,988,754,427
Declined	1,797
Unchanged	118
Total issues	3,208
New Highs	107
New Lows	12

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE (\$1 on stock)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg	%Chg
Globalstar	10,681,424	+14		
Proctus	7,078,119	-04		
NwGold	5,756,608	+32		
Bzgold	3,984,267	+16		
AldivG	3,685,351	+06		

GAINERS (\$2 on stock)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
TanzRy	2.18	+18	+9.0
Fibrocat	3.75	+30	+8.7
SandstG	6.12	+49	+8.7
AlMag	2.44	+17	+7.5
InspireMD	3.11	+21	+7.2

LOSERS (\$2 on stock)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Organov	6.78	-50	-7.3
InstFmMts	2.03	-15	-7.4
StrPathC	9.26	-58	-6.3
MexcoEn	8.72	-51	-5.9
TherapMD	4.53	-25	-5.5

DIARY

Advanced	Volume
220	125,851,771
Declined	172
Unchanged	22
Total issues	414
New Highs	10
New Lows	2

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE (\$1 on stock)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg	%Chg
Facebook	54,697,842	-1.49		
Apple Inc	53,295,922	-1.57		
GeronCp	44,370,315	+5.5		
AmAir n	37,136,402	-2.09		
SirusXM	34,827,334	-01		

GAINERS (\$2 on stock)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
MerusLb	2.00	+37	+22.7
GeronCp	3.15	+55	+21.2
TG Ther	8.82	+152	+20.8
XTL Bioph	3.75	+63	+20.2
GeorgeB	18.21	+2.71	+17.5

LOSERS (\$2 on stock)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ConsulP	7.71	-1.77	-23.0
LabuInt	37.25	-7.05	-18.9
ChXDPas	9.66	-1.36	-14.1
VireosS	3.39	-0.43	-12.7
Inventry	3.42	-0.40	-11.7

DIARY

Advanced	Volume
920	1,836,872,418
Declined	1,679
Unchanged	167
Total issues	2,766
New Highs	67
New Lows	14

GM CEO to testify in front of Congress

Associated Press

NEW YORK — A combination of so-so economic news and violence in Iraq helped push the stock market sharply lower Thursday.

Stocks fell from the start of trading on a government report that retail sales for May came in slightly lower than expected. A separate report on jobs was weak, too. A surge in oil prices as violence flared in Iraq also weighed on the market, and hammered airline stocks.

For the Standard and Poor's 500, it was the third day down in a row, a reversal of sorts from steady, if unremarkable, rises for much of the year. The index is heading for its first weekly loss in four weeks.

Uri Landesman, president of hedge fund Platinum Partners, said investors had gotten

too complacent after a strong run in stocks, and the pullback wasn't surprising.

"It's time for profit-taking, taking risk off the table," he said. "It's very rare that markets move up in a straight line."

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 109.69 points, or 0.7 percent, to 16,734.19. The Nasdaq shed 34.30 points, or 0.8 percent, to 4,297.63. The S&P 500 was down 13.78 points, or 0.7 percent, to 1,930.11.

The S&P 500 is up 4.4 percent this year following an impressive 30 percent rise in 2013.

In the retail report, the Commerce Department said U.S. sales rose 0.3 percent last month, helped by a surge in auto demand. That was the fourth straight month of gains, but shy of the 0.4 percent increase that economists expected.

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg	Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg	Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg	Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg							
AT&T Inc	1.84	10	34.83	+0.2	-9	ColgPalm	1.44	29	67.84	-78	+4.0	ISHJapan	13e		11.77	+0.4	-3.0	PlainsAAP	2.521	24	57.01	-38	+10.1	SunocoLog	2.781	32	90.76	-82	+20.2	
Abraxas	40	5.17	+0.3	+58.5	ConAgra	1.00	17	32.23		-4.4	ISHChinaLC	1.02e		37.52	-10	-2.2	PwShs	0.00	130e	92.05	-84	+4.6	TeleEsp	47e		16.83	+10	+3.0		
Achillion		8.83	-46	+105.8	ConchoRes	47	138.77	+1.31	+28.5	ISHMits	86e		43.59	-21	+4.3	Praxair	2.80	22	130.99	-149	+7	Tesoro	1.00	18	57.54	+62	-1.6			
AdamsEx	84e		13.55	-0.7	+3.7	ConocoPhill	2.78	13	82.86	+9.1	+17.3	ISH2K	1.45e		115.39	-71		PrrnEgy	15	60.88		+20.6	Torchmark	781	14	81.27	-73	+4.0		
AMID		86	4.29		+10.9	Cosco	4.00	19	101.13	-68	-8.1	IntegrgrE	2.72	18	57.53	+37	+5.7	ProctGam	2.571	21	79.76	-30	-2.0	Trichem	68e		20.96	-0.7	+3.4	
AlonUSA	24		13.92	+0.4	-15.8	CrackerB	4.00	19	101.13	-68	-8.1	Intel	90	15	27.96	+0.3	+7.7	RangeRs	16	64	87.73	-1.63	+4.1	21stCofxA	25	21	35.41	-71	+7	
AmAir n		40.20	-2.09	-59.2	CSVLN		40.08	-2.03	+16.6	InterDig	801	42	48.24	+34	+63.6	RegionsF	20f	14	10.61	-12	+7.3	Twitter	n		36.79	+1.25	-42.2			
ARPCapPr	1.00		11.95	+0.1	-7.0	CSVLN		3.88	+37	-48.3	JetBlue		21	9.94	-49	+16.4	RiteAid		33	7.34	-22	+45.1	TylerTech		67	80.61	-96	-21.1		
Amgen	2.44	19	116.20	-1.4	+1.9	CroTim	2.71e	14	36.40	+19	+23.8	JohnJn	2.80f	20	102.53	-79	+11.9	Rowan	40	17	32.15	+35	-9.1	UBWV	1.28	18	31.59	+12	+4	
Andarito	1.08f		107.73	-59	+35.8	DCP Mid	2.98f	41	55.37	-30	+10.0	KimClk	3.36	20	110.13	-96	+5.4	RoyDShIA	3.78f	10	79.78	+94	+11.9	UdContl	41	42	60.20	-2.66	+12.6	
Apache	1.00	22	96.31	+90	+12.1	Dataram		2.62	17	74.18	+63	+11.7	KindME	5.52f	29	79.05	-23	-2.0	S&P500ETF	3.48e		193.54	-1.38	+4.8	USNGas		26	23	+1.25	+26.8
Apple Inc	1.88f	15	92.29	-1.57	+15.2	Dawson	32	43	29.77	+91	-12.0	KindMM	5.52f	48	75.39	+14	-4	SabrN	4.11e	15	60.05	+48	+18.8	Vale SA	84e		12.71	-48	-16.7	
AutoData	1.32	26	78.25	-29	-3.2	DCP Mid	2.98f	41	55.37	-30	+10.0	LloydBkg		5.41	+0.3	+1.7	SouFin	20e	12	8.83	-1.81	-46.4	ValeroE	1.00	10	53.81	+62	+6.8		
BP PLC	2.28	12	51.34	+48	+5.8	DevconE	86	19	77.00	+58	+24.5	Lubys		5.20	+15	-32.6	SweetAir	24f	24	25.72	-1.22	+36.5	VulcanM	20	61	63.94	-15	+7.6		
BabeCCInv	1.20		15.27	-0.1	+2.3	DrScBear		15.30	+27	-8.8	Lukalerm	gs	20	37.25	-7.05	-36.9	SP Enrg	1.59e		97.49	+32	+10.1	Waltsr	1.26	26	72.47	-2.20	+26.2		
BakrHu	88f	26	70.46	-48	-27.5	Disney	86f	21	82.80	-1.51	+8.4	McDnlds	19																	

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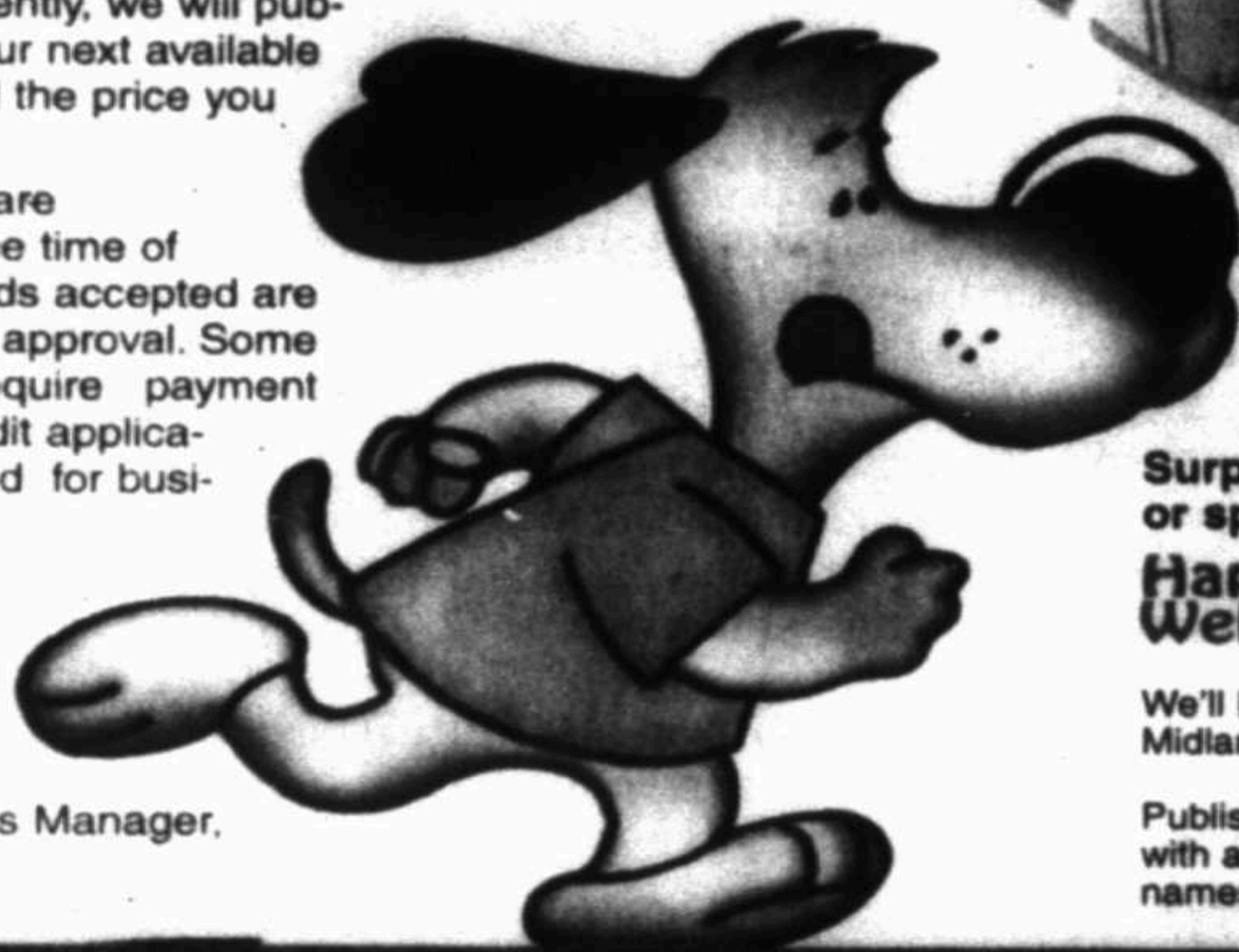
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Unit 664: Christopher Richard - Christmas decor, ladder, tool box, bed, boxes, etc.

Legal & Public Notices

INVITATION FOR SEALED BIDS
The Roman Catholic Diocese of San Angelo (Seller) invites Sealed Bids to purchase the SURFACE ESTATE ONLY of a tract of approximately 17 acres of vacant land on the West Side of South U.S. Hwy 385 approximately 0.86 miles South of U.S. Interstate Highway 20 in Odessa, Ector County, Texas. This tract is described as being a total of 17.0 acres of land and being Lot 2 of Sec 39-40 & 46 Block 42 T-2-S 7&8 Rwy Co. Survey Ector County, Texas.

For Terms and Procedure For Bidding, please send written request addressed to: Mr. Max Wise, Chancellor, Roman Catholic Diocese of San Angelo, P.O. Box 1829, San Angelo, TX 76903.

All inquiries must be accompanied by a Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope.

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Rule 38 Case No 7C-0289051
Status/Permit No 783912

NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Jun 26, 2014
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ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P.O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Tel: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR3@RRCO.STATE.TX.US

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 6, Bk. 1, GC&SF RR CO. SANSOM, M. JR. Survey, A-769, SPRABERRY (TRENDAREA) Field, UPTON County, being 17.4 miles NW direction from RANKIN, Texas.

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

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Jun 26, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO FILE A PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

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

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TRENDAREA)

Lease Unit Name	XBC GIDDINGS ESTATE C	
Lease Unit Well No	17H	
Lease Unit Acres	606.2	
Nearest Lease Line (ft)	100.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft)	30.0	
Lease Lines	215.0 F North L	997.0 F west L
Survey Lines	215.0 F North L	997.0 F west L

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 215.0 F NORTH L
997.0 F WEST L

Terminus Location:
BH County UPTON
Section: 6 Block 1 Abstract: 769
Survey: M. SANSOM, JR.
Lease Lines: 100.0 F SOUTH L
997.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines: 100.0 F SOUTH L
997.0 F WEST L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TRENDAREA): Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10500 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, DAVID VINCENTI, at (972) 969-3935.

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Request for Proposals for an Animal Services Management System

The RFPs will be available on or about 07/16/14. To receive a copy of the RFP, please contact the Purchasing Office at 432-685-7234 or purchasing@midlandtexas.gov. Proposals must be submitted by no later than 07/21/14 at 11:00 AM to the City Secretary's Office, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Suite 330, Midland, Texas.

If the Contract is awarded it will be awarded to either the lowest responsible bidder, or to the bidder who provides goods or services at the best value for the City of Midland. In determining the best value for the City of Midland, the City of Midland may consider the criteria enumerated in Section 252.043 of the Texas Local Government Code.

City of Midland, Texas

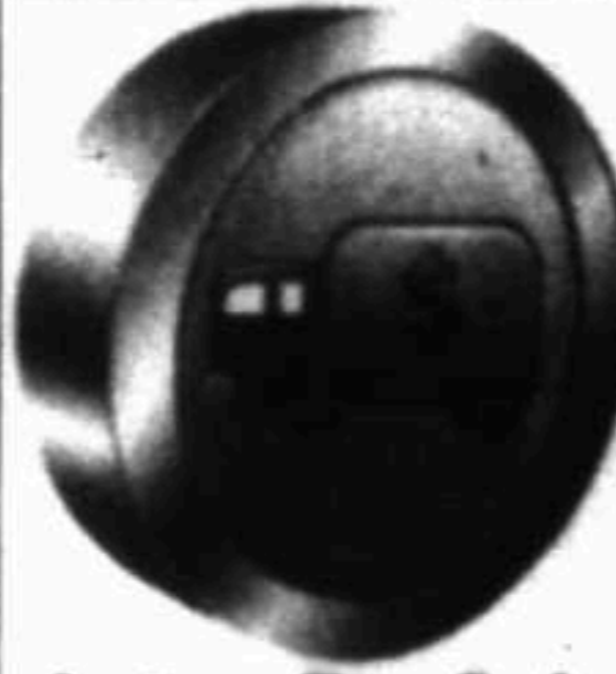
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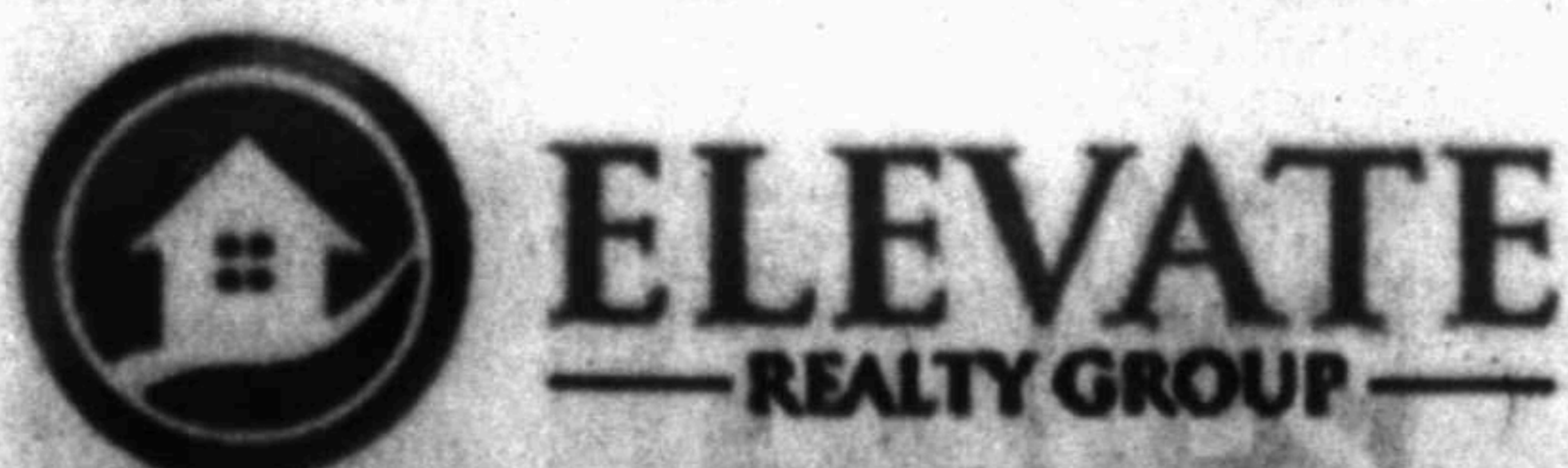
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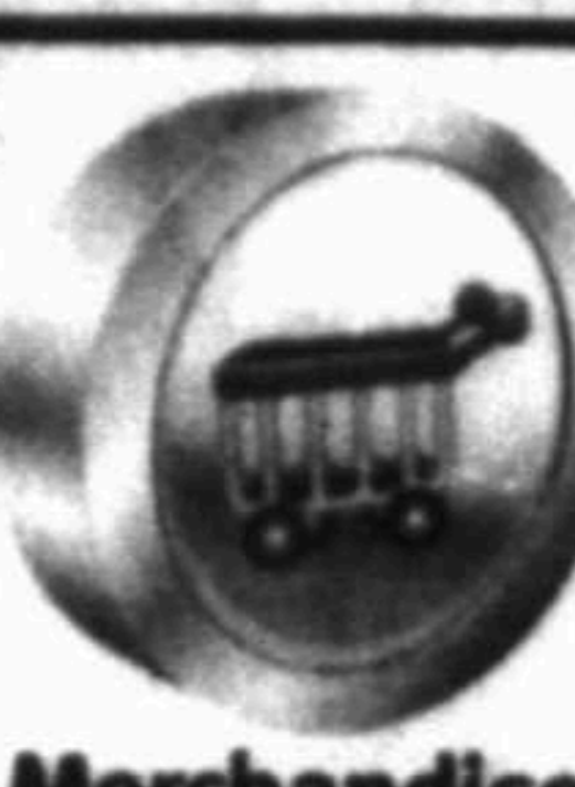
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 Position available for an experienced Customer Service Representative with excellent communication skills who's enthusiastic and organized with a great personality. This position requires an individual who is bilingual with basic computer skills and who will be assisting current customers with their policies. Complete training is provided with the necessary materials to obtain your Texas Insurance license Certification. A guaranteed salary plus bonus is provided. Please e-mail resumes to rcrivers@allstate.com

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Hiring All Positions

For our New Holiday Inn Express I-20, Midland, TX: Assistant General Manager, Front Desk Manager, Front Desk Agents, Executive Housekeeping Manager, Night Auditors, Housekeeping, Houseman, Breakfast Host/Hostess, Maintenance. Please E-Mail resumes to careers@insigniamgmt.com. FAX resumes to 432 699 0979 or stop by 4410 N. Midkiff RD Suite D-212 to pick up application.

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Golf Course Maintenance

GOLF COURSE MAINTENANCE LABOR NEEDED Pay DOE Ranchland Hills Golf Club Call Eric Johnson 432-214-7990

Maintenance

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Currently seeking full time property manager and leasing agent for local apartment community. Experience preferred. Please email resumes to humanresources@fmcrcity.com or fax to (806) 358-2170.

OTHER JOBS

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RETAIL JOBS

Retail Manager

Wally's Party Factory is looking for a fun, energetic assistant retail manager. At least one year of retail management experience is required. Must love parties, Halloween, and helping customers. Email resume to HRGroup@erwindistributing.com

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Locally owned furniture store seeking Bookkeeper/ Sales, bilingual & furniture store experience helpful. Great work environment. Send resume to burt@ufurn.org or fax to 432-694-3757

Sales Associates

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OTHER JOBS

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR PART TIME DAY ASSOCIATE



Part Time Day Associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to work Monday thru Saturday from 8am-6pm. Tuesday will be here later till about 8 or 9 pm. Need to be able to work on your feet thru 6-8 hour shift.

Will work at night occasionally. We will train the right person

Pay \$10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required; we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and Social Security card with dependable transportation.

Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois, Lobby Information Desk • Monday-Friday 8-5 or email: jmaddox@hearstnp.com
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Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR NIGHT TIME ASSOCIATE



Night time associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

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Will be 5-6 nights per week. We will train the right person

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John Maddox, Director of Production/Facilities
c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram 201 E. Illinois St., Midland, TX 79701. E-mail: jmaddox@hearstnp.com
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Rocker A Cementers

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