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US oil gusher blows out past projections

Nation has more active oil and gas rigs than the entire rest of the world

By Simone Sebastian
Houston Chronicle

The United States' rapidly declining crude oil supply has made a stunning about-face, shredding federal oil projections and putting energy independence in sight of some analyst forecasts.

After declining to levels not seen since the 1940s, U.S. crude production began rising again in 2009. Drilling rigs have rushed into the nation's oil fields, suggesting a surge in domestic crude is on the horizon.

The number of rigs in U.S. oil fields has more than quadrupled in the past three years to 1,272, according to the Baker Hughes rig count. Including those in natural gas fields, the United States has more rigs at work than the entire rest of the world.

"It's staggering," said Marshall Adkins, managing director of energy research for financial services firm Raymond James. "If we continue growing anywhere near that pace and keep squeezing demand out of the system, that puts you in a world where we are not importing oil in 10 years."

There are doubts that energy independence is that close. But, many say booming shale oil fields in Texas and North Dakota and the growth of deep-water drilling in the Gulf of Mexico will allow the nation to cut its reliance on oil imports significantly over the next couple of decades.

Last month, the U.S. Energy Information Administration hiked its forecast of crude production in 2025 to 6.4 million barrels per day. That's 1 million barrels more than the nation produced in 2010.

Previously, the EIA projected the U.S. would peak at 6 million barrels in 2022.

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Oil hits $105

Oil prices jumped to a nine-month high above $105 a barrel on Monday after Iran said it halted crude exports to Britain and France in an escalation of a dispute over the Middle Eastern country's nuclear program. Page 2A

Blaze damages hotel

Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

Construction workers watch as Midland Fire Department personnel extinguish hotspots Monday at the construction site of the new TownePlace Suites by Marriott, located on the northeast corner of Westridge Avenue and Deauville Boulevard near the Scharbauer Sports Complex.

Cause of TownePlace Suites fire unknown

By Audrie Palmer
Staff Writer

Midland fire investigators said the cause of a Monday fire that damaged a roof on a new hotel being constructed was undetermined.

Firefighters responded to a structure fire at TownePlace Suites by Marriott, 5508 Deauville Blvd., at 12:28 p.m.

The extended-stay hotel currently is under construction and was expected to open this summer.

Midland Fire Department investigator James Howard said the fire started on the flat portion of the roof and progressed to the exterior roof. There was significant damage to the roof portion but there was no damage to the interior of the hotel.

With high winds throughout the Midland-Odessa region Monday afternoon, fire officials said the fire could have been worse had work crews not notified firefighters as soon as they did.

One man, working construction on another part of the building, tried to stop the fire with a fire extinguisher before fire crews arrived, Howard said. Thirteen units with the MFD responded.

The highest wind gust was recorded at 41 miles per hour Monday by the National Weather Service. The average wind speed was 17.7 mph.

Howard said the cause of the fire is currently ruled as undetermined because officials had not been able to locate an ignition source.

Howard said Monday electricity has been ruled out because the building is not hooked up.

Authorities said they don't believe the fire will halt construction of the hotel but that crews likely will need to readjust their construction time frame.

A spokeswoman with EBCO General Contractors Ltd., which is building the hotel, said a crew was en route Monday to Midland from the company in Cameron to assess the damage and will be on site today.

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MDC president to announce resignation Friday

By Kathleen Petty
Staff Writer

The Midland Development Corp. board on Friday will consider accepting the resignation of its president, Mike Hatley.

Hatley joined the Midland Development Corp. in March of 2007, and board members said he has since worked to make Midland known to people outside the oil and gas industry and the Permian Basin.

Hatley

"The most impressive thing that he's done is, really, we've got a great network of site selectors and people who now know where Midland is," said Robert Rendall, former chairman of the MDC board. "That's really taken a lot of work."

Hatley said Monday he did not want to comment on his move until the Friday board meeting.

Laura Roman, chairwoman of the MDC board, said the board will work with the remaining staff on future plans for the organization after Hatley resigns.

"The board is currently working with the existing staff to formulate the direction for the Midland Develop Corporation over the next 12 months, and even the next five years," Roman said.

She said Hatley has been a key leader during the ups and downs of Midland's economy since 2007.

"He built a fantastic group around him and has been very flexible," Roman said. "We've had a great economy, but we've also had the bust of (2008) and (2009). He's definitely kept a leadership role during that time."

Hatley was hired in 2007 as the vice

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United Way director to leave for Scharbauer Foundation

By Kathleen Petty
Staff Writer

Although it's a bittersweet transition, Cynthia Benson said she's looking forward to the change ahead.

Benson

The executive director of the United Way will resign from her post Feb. 28, following the organization's campaign announcement and celebration. She'll begin March 5 as controller at the Scharbauer Foundation.

"United Way is so important to our community. The impact that's being made out there is vital. I will always support the United Way," Benson said, speaking Monday from her office.

But, she continued, "Change is good. This is an opportunity to be a part of something that will make a difference in the lives of so many people."

Those who have worked with her said Benson's impact has been immeasurable both in the past and for the years to come.

"She's been so great. Obviously, she's been an invaluable part of our organization," said board president

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James Cannon/Reporter-Telegram

Mardi Gras and merriment in Midland

Several people wore Mardi Gras masks to the American Legion Post 19's annual feast in celebration of the holiday Saturday. After the merriment, they enjoyed gumbo and shrimp étouffée. Check out our Mardi Gras slide show at **www.mywesttexas.com**.

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Thing to do

■ The Alaska String Band, 7 p.m., Fellowship Hall, First Baptist Church, 2104 W. Louisiana Ave. Admission: Free to public, sponsored by First Baptist Church. Info: www.alaskastringband.net.

Meetings schedule

Airport board
9 a.m. today
Third floor conference room
Midland International Airport

Permian Basin Community Center for Mental Health and Mental Retardation
3:30 p.m. today
Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission
2910 LaForce Blvd.

Planning and Zoning
3:30 p.m. today
Council Chambers
300 N. Loraine St.

Midland College
4 p.m. today
Gibson Board Room, Administration Building
Midland College campus

Community calendar

■ The inspirations outpatient counseling program at Allegiance Specialty Hospital Permian Basin is marking its second anniversary 4-5 p.m. today at 207 Tradewinds Blvd. Dr. Sergio Silva, medical director, will be available to meet with the public.

For more information, call 699-3215.

■ Humanities Texas is to present a grants and exhibitions workshop for organizations in the Permian Basin 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m. Thursday at the Permian Basin Petroleum Museum.

The workshop, which is free and open to the public, will offer information on the resources that Humanities Texas provides to promote the humanities.

To register for the free workshop, contact Humanities Texas at 512-440-1991 or email rsvp@humanities-texas.org.

■ The 55th annual Pancake Jamboree will take place from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday at the Midland Downtown Lions Club, 200 Plaza.

Tickets are $6 and can be purchased at the door.

■ Shrimpfest, for the benefit of Ellen Noël Art Museum, is planned for 7 p.m. Feb. 27 Ector County Coliseum Building G.

The annual event features an all-you-can-eat shrimp dinner, silent and live auctions and entertainment by Main Stream Jazz Quartet.

General admission tickets are $35 and can be purchased at the museum or online at www.noelartmuseum.org. Sponsor tables are available for $1,200, $3,000 or $5,000. These tables include admission to the sponsor-only cocktail reception beginning at 5:30 p.m.

For more information, call 550-9696.

Calvin Davis to speak at Midland College

The Midland College Business & Economic Development Center (BEDC) will feature Calvin Davis as its speaker at the monthly business networking breakfast at 7:30 a.m. today in Scharbauer Student Center Carrasco Room.

Davis is district director of the Lubbock District Office of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). The Lubbock SBA Office serves 71 West Texas counties, including Midland.

Davis' background includes SBA district counsel, SBA special assistant U. S. attorney, tax attorney for KPMG Peat Marwick in Los Angeles, tax consultant for Arthur Andersen & Co. in Washington, D.C., and a management systems and services administrator for Hertz Corp. in Oklahoma City.

The presentation will include breakfast; cost is $5. For more information, please contact Midland College BEDC Associate Director Betsy Fredericks, 684-4309, bfredericks@midland.edu.

It's your birthday

Haiden Cole Bomar, of Midland, turns 1 today.

Jamie Thomas, of Midland, turns 18 today.

Rene Rodriguez, of Midland, turns 50 today.

It's your anniversary

Andrew and Priscilla Garcia, of Midland, celebrate their eighth anniversary today.

Lottery

Pick 3 day: 5-6-4
Pick 3 night: 7-8-6
Daily 4 day: 4-4-0-3
Daily 4 night: 4-2-6-2
Cash Five: 3-18-25-26-35
Texas Two Step: 3-7-16-33 BB: 17

Today in history

Today is Tuesday, Feb. 21, the 52nd day of 2012. There are 314 days left in the year.

Today's highlight:

On Feb. 21, 1912, a new phrase entered the American political lexicon as former President Theodore Roosevelt, traveling by train to the Ohio Constitutional Convention, told a reporter in Cleveland, "My hat is in the ring," signaling his intent to challenge President William Howard Taft for the Republican nomination.

On this date:

In 1862, Nathaniel Gordon, captured at sea with nearly 900 Africans aboard his ship, the Erie, became the first and only American slave-trader to be executed under the U.S. Piracy Law of 1820 as he was hanged in New York.

In 1885, the Washington Monument was dedicated.

In 1912, the Great Fifth Ward Fire broke out in Houston; no one died in the blaze but property losses topped $3 million.

In 1945, during the World War II Battle of Iwo Jima, the escort carrier USS Bismarck Sea was sunk by kamikazes with the loss of 318 men.

US, Mexico agree to cooperate on energy

Associated Press

Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton shakes hands with Mexico's Foreign Minister Patricia Espinosa, second right, in Los Cabos, Mexico, on Monday during a ceremony where they signed the U.S.-Mexico Agreement Concerning Transboundary Hydrocarbon Reservoirs in the Gulf of Mexico. From left are Clinton, Interior Secretary Ken Salazar, Mexico's President Felipe Calderon and Mexico's Secretary of Energy Jordy Herrera.

Associated Press

LOS CABOS, Mexico — The United States and Mexico agreed Monday to work together when drilling for oil and gas below their maritime border in the Gulf of Mexico.

Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton and Mexico's foreign minister signed the deal at a ceremony in the Mexican resort of Los Cabos as Mexican President Felipe Calderon and U.S. Interior Secretary Ken Salazar looked on.

The cooperation stems from an understanding that President Barack Obama and Calderon reached in 2010 to share in the profits and work together to avoid spills.

Clinton said the deal would "ensure safe, efficient, responsible exploration of the oil and gas reservoirs in the Gulf of Mexico."

"These reservoirs could hold considerable reserves that would benefit the United States and Mexico alike," she said.

But they don't necessarily stop neatly at our maritime boundary," Clinton added. "This could lead to disputes if a company discovers a reservoir that straddles the boundary — disputes, for example, over who should do the extraction and how much they should extract."

Clinton said the agreement will prevent such disputes and create new business opportunities.

Calderon said the deal creates clear rules and should erase any fear among Mexicans that their oil will be appropriated by Americans.

And he stressed that "operations will be done in a safe and responsible manner, with full respect to the environment."

Under the agreement, U.S. companies will now be allowed to partner with Mexico's national oil company in drilling. But neither country is constrained by the other.

If the two governments can't agree on how to exploit a reservoir, either can take its share unilaterally.

The U.S. Interior Department said the agreement makes nearly 1.5 million acres of the U.S. Outer Continental Shelf more accessible for exploration and production activities.

The area could contain 172 million barrels of oil and 304 billion cubic feet of natural gas, it said.

"This is an area larger than the state of Delaware," Salazar said.

Oil

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"The growth that we've seen in shale, that's one of the biggest changes that's contributing to our outlook," said Dana Van-Wagener, a research analyst for the agency. "It's evolving so quickly. We weren't anticipating enough growth."

By the EIA's forecast, the United States will challenge Saudi Arabia as the world's top oil producer, when including crude and other forms of liquid petroleum. But, the U.S. also is the world's top oil consumer, demanding nearly 20 million barrels a day. So, the nation still falls far short of its energy demands, even with an oil boom.

The technology that fueled the national shale gas rush is moving into oil fields. The pairing of fossil fuel production techniques called horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing allowed companies to access previously hard-to-reach natural gas trapped in dense shale rock.

The rush has unleashed a flood of natural gas onto the U.S. market, causing its price to plummet and making some gas wells uneconomical. Companies have started to close natural gas wells and pull rigs out of gas fields.

Meanwhile, crude oil prices have remained high, with the domestic benchmark West Texas Intermediate price rising $2.02 to $105.26 on Monday.

Pumping crude out of shale rock is more expensive and more difficult than getting at natural gas, said Eric Potter, program director for energy research at the University of Texas at Austin's Bureau of Economic Geology.

Oil molecules are larger and harder to squeeze through the cracks created by hydraulic fracturing. But, the high price of crude makes it worthwhile for many companies.

"With natural gas prices being as low as they are, your company could go out of business if you don't manage this carefully," Potter said. "People are moving quickly to get into these oil plays. It's a matter of their existence."

The Eagle Ford Shale in South Texas, the Permian Basin in West Texas and the Bakken Shale in North Dakota have been hubs of the domestic crude boom. They now make up about 40 percent of the nation's land-based oil production, noted Adkins, the Raymond James analyst. He projects that will grow to two-thirds by 2015.

Adkins says the Energy Information Administration is vastly underestimating the rapid growth of those oil fields. He believes that U.S. crude oil production will reach 9.1 million barrels by 2015, about 45 percent more than the EIA's forecast for crude.

The reason for the varying projections about the nation's crude potential is uncertainty about how much oil is underground and whether technological advances will make it reachable.

That also causes debate about future crude oil prices.

Adkins, for example, says the rising production will help reverse the surging price of oil, pushing it down to $90 per barrel next year.

But, others believe oil prices will continue to rise despite the growing supply coming out of U.S. oil fields. Domestic crude prices are closely tied to the world market. That makes domestic prices susceptible to the global Brent crude benchmark price, which is on the rise because of foreign conflicts and rapidly growing energy demands in developing countries.

The EIA projects the average world oil price will reach about $145 per barrel in 2035, in current dollars, compared to the 2011 average of $93 per barrel. Meanwhile, the agency forecasts U.S. gasoline will rise to $4.09 per gallon.

"As far as drilling and production, it is going to be really good and robust," said Michelle Michot Foss, chief energy economist for the University of Texas Bureau of Economic Geology. "But, consumers will be upset because gasoline prices will continue to be high."

URS to acquire Flint Energy for $1.25B

SAN FRANCISCO— Construction giant URS Corp. has offered $1.25 billion in cash to buy the Canadian oil and gas contractor Flint Energy Services Ltd.

URS, based in San Francisco, said Monday that the deal will significantly expand its presence in the oil and gas industry. It will add to URS' earnings this year and boost oil and gas revenue to 22 percent of URS' total annual revenue, the company said.

URS will assume about $225 million in Flint debt. The deal values Flint at $25 per share. That's a 68-percent premium over Flint's Friday closing price of $14.90.

Flint, based in Calgary, Alberta, trades on the Toronto Stock Exchange. The deal will be conducted under Canadian law and in Canadian dollars. Canadian dollars are nearly equal in value to U.S. dollars.

URS also announced its fiscal outlook for the full year 2012. It expects to earn $292 million to $300 million, or $3.95 to $4.05 per share. It expects revenue of $9.9 billion to $10.1 billion.

Analysts polled by FactSet expect earnings of $3.97 per share on revenue of $10.15 billion, on average.

Associated Press

Oil jumps to 9-month high after Iran cuts supply

Associated Press

Oil prices jumped to a nine-month high above $105 a barrel on Monday after Iran said it halted crude exports to Britain and France in an escalation of a dispute over the Middle Eastern country's nuclear program.

By Monday afternoon, benchmark March crude was up $2.02 to $105.26 per barrel in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange, the highest since May. The contract rose 93 cents to settle at $103.24 per barrel in New York on Friday.

Iran's announcement likely will have minimal impact on supplies, analysts said, because only about 3 percent of France's oil consumption is from Iranian sources. Britain had not imported oil from the Islamic republic in six months.

"The price rise is more a reflection of concerns about the further escalation in tensions between Iran and the West," said commodity analyst Caroline Bain of the Economist Intelligence Unit. "Banning the tiny quantities of exports to the U.K. and France involves very little risk for Iran — indeed quite the opposite, it catches the headlines and leads to a higher global oil price, which is something Iran is very keen to encourage."

Markets in the United States were closed Monday for the Presidents Day holiday.

Benson

From 1A

Jayne Krawietz. "She has such a strong staff. Her leadership over her staff has enabled them to continue on with the work we do without any loss of continuity."

Benson joined the United Way of Midland as finance director in November 1996.

It was a move she didn't see herself making because she had been with Safe Place of the Permian Basin for four years. The CPA and mother of two had taken a position with Safe Place after leaving a public accounting firm and was enjoying the hands-on ministry she did in conjunction with her business work.

But, United Way's then-director, Carl Zapora, kept calling, and she eventually agreed to hear him out, she said.

Benson said she had categorized the agency as a "pass-through" funding organization, but after learning about the United Way and its vision for impacting the community as a whole, she agreed to take the job.

"I learned a lot. My eyes were opened, and I knew this was going to be an exciting journey," she said.

Benson was appointed executive director two years into her tenure with the United Way.

She and the board almost immediately began looking at how to change. It was a process being taken on by United Way agencies nationwide and one the organization wanted to undertake in order to remain viable.

"The way we were doing business was not a sustainable model," she said.

Before, the United Way had done community impact assessments like it does now, she said. However, instead of funding specific needs, such as education or health programs, it funded individual nonprofit organizations and whatever programs they were undertaking in any given year.

In an effort to more directly target Midland's specific needs, the board decided to grant money only to specific programs and to open up the funding pool to any nonprofit with programs that could meet the identified needs of the community.

Over the past 12 years, the organization has made several shifts in that direction and continues to change.

"We have been on a transformation journey that has allowed us to put millions of dollars into our community into specific issues and programs that impact our community," Benson said. "You have to continue to be a changing organization because if you don't, you're not going to have an impact."

The United Way also has grown.

When Benson became director, it had just under $100,000 in net assets.

Last year, the United Way of Midland had about $2.7 million in unrestricted assets, Benson said.

The United Way also has raised more than $3 million in all but the first two years Benson was executive director. This year's fundraising total will be announced at the Feb. 28 celebration.

"We have managed our funds and managed our assets to the betterment of the community," she said. "We're investing more in the community because we can."

Part of the growth is attributed to Benson's financial background. She said she approached the United Way like a business and wanted the business side of the nonprofit to run as if it were a private company.

She said much of the expansion can be attributed to the dedication of the staff and volunteers who work with United Way.

"I've been able to work with the best of the best and the brightest of the brightest," she said. "It's just great to do something bigger than yourself along with so many other people ... I'm just really blessed. I guess that's the way to put it."

Resigning to go to the Scharbauer Foundation was what Benson described as a "heart-wrenching" choice.

"It's really difficult to leave something that you love and something you've invested yourself in," Benson said.

Knowing the impact the foundation will have and getting to work for a family that has been so foundational in Midland, though, was an opportunity Benson said she couldn't pass up.

Grant Billingsley, executive director of the Scharbauer Foundation Inc., said the agency is grateful to have her coming on board.

"We are thrilled about Cindy joining the staff of the Scharbauer Foundation. Beyond her finance and accounting credentials, she brings to the foundation a wealth of knowledge about charitable organizations in general and Midland nonprofits specifically," he said. "There is no doubt she will play a major role in the foundation growing and helping this community."

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Houston Chronicle

Austin County Sheriff's Deputy Cpl. Scott Minyard, left, and Dennis King, Austin County Precinct 4 justice of the peace, stand near the grave of recently identified Gloria Stringer on Thursday in Wallis.

COLD CASE WARMS UP

Woman's body identified 37 years later

By Lise Olsen
Houston Chronicle

HOUSTON — The woman's nude body was found floating in the muddy Brazos River in 1975, her features unrecognizable save for her flawlessly painted scarlet fingernails and flowing yellow hair.

But after 37 years, the 22-year-old mother has been identified by Harris County forensics experts as Gloria Faye Stringer, opening an investigation into her possible murder and inflaming the long-held suspicions of Austin County Justice of the Peace Dennis R. King, a man committed to the case for decades.

"The only thing worse than dying in a strange place is being lost at the same time and never finding your way home," King said. "That was always the fear for me — that she had not been able to find her way home."

Stringer recently had relocated to Texas City, leaving her 6-year-old son with grandparents in Tennessee, before vanishing in 1975.

King and Austin County Sheriff's investigators will try to determine how a woman who owned no car and couldn't swim ended up naked and dead in a river 87 miles away from her last known address. Among other theories, officials are looking at if her death is linked to the unsolved serial killings of young women and teens abducted from the Houston and Galveston areas in the 1970s.

King helped recover Stringer's body in 1975 and had her bones exhumed in June 2009, hoping a forensic artist's reconstruction of her face or DNA evidence might result in identification.

"He never gave up," said Scott Minyard, a corporal who got permission from the Austin County sheriff to join the investigation in 2010.

Stringer last phoned home on June 4, 1975, saying only that she planned to travel to Houston. Three days later, boys fishing near their subdivision in Sealy spotted a body afloat in the fast-moving Brazos River, about two miles upstream from where the river crosses Interstate 10, said King, who arrived at the scene as a 29-year-old rookie in his first year as justice of the peace.

Officers found no clothing or a car in searches of the riverbanks. There was no matching missing person's report. Reluctantly, King authorized a county burial in a pauper's grave. It was King's first — and for 37 years remained his only — unidentified death victim as justice of the peace in Austin County.

He never stopped working the case. In 2009, he placed his hopes in forensic science. King successfully petitioned for funds to exhume the body and asked a skilled forensic artist to use the skull to sketch a likeness. Then, he hand-delivered bones from the body to the University of North Texas' DNA Identity Lab in Fort Worth.

Attempts to extract DNA proved unsuccessful. But, an artist for the Texas Rangers, Suzanne Birdwell, produced a portrait of a 19-year-old with a pug nose, large pouting lips and widely-spaced oval eyes whose face was framed by a popular 1970s hairstyle. That image and case summary appeared on websites for missing and unidentified persons in 2010.

On June 7, 2011 — the 37th anniversary of the body's discovery — King, Minyard and others gathered to place a plaque on the still-unmarked grave. King offered a prayer: "I wanted for it to happen before I retired or before I died."

Afterward, Minyard dropped by the sheriff's office to find a telephone message from Tennessee. The caller was Sandy Stringer, whose sister-in-law Gloria disappeared in Texas in July 1975.

All the elements matched: height, weight, age. Both had their spleen surgically removed. Soon, Minyard reached Stringer's only son, Dan E. Moore.

Moore had been only six when his mother disappeared. Their last portrait shows him smiling beside her: They share the same pale hair and oval eyes. In the photo, her long manicured fingernails are painted scarlet — the same shade King spotted on the body in the river.

Moore is now a Tennessee Highway Patrol lieutenant who supervises criminal investigations. Over the years, he combed police reports and countless archives. Then in June 2011, his aunt told him to check the sketch of a woman she found on a Texas Department of Public Safety website.

Finally, a combination of 11 different clues helped convince Jennifer Love and Dwayne Wolf, of the Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences, to positively confirm Stringer's identity earlier this month.

"I don't know how many hundreds or thousands of pictures that I've looked at since the Internet came around — always looking for my mom's face," Moore said. "I sometimes made calls ... But when I clicked on this one that night, I just knew."

HATLEY

From 1A

president of economic development and became president when the MDC split from the Midland Chamber of Commerce.

"Mike was really the first person who came in being a devoted leader for economic development," Roman said. "When Mike was put into that role, we finally had a leader who was devoted 100 percent to the MDC and the type A funds."

During his tenure with the MDC, Hatley has been involved in several projects, including incentive deals with BCCK Engineering, Apache and Baker Hughes; a recruiting program with Midland Memorial Hospital; infrastructure investments on Highway 191 and Garfield Street; and the refurbishing of Permian Plaza.

Deals with companies such as BCCK and Apache brought new employees to Midland's oil and gas industry. Apache was contracted to bring 51 new employees to Midland. Instead, it brought more than 200.

Midland Memorial Hospital recruited 34 doctors over four years with the help of $1.05 million forgivable loan.

Other projects have changed or have been rescinded during Hatley's time at the MDC.

Sentry International was set to receive a $250,000 forgivable loan for adding 50 new employees. It repaid the MDC $100,000 after failing to meet its employment mark.

The Permian Plaza agreement was rescinded after Basic Energy sold its property. Basic repaid the MDC the $1 million it had been provided. Board members said the incentive still was a success because it helped to bring a downtown building back on line.

Hatley also was president when the MDC and council considered a more than $20 million incentive deal with Dean Baldwin Aircraft Painting LP. The council eventually rejected the contract after concerns about the company were raised.

Before coming to Midland, Hatley served from 1999 to March of 2007 as executive director of the Sweetwater Enterprise for Economic Development.

He has bachelor's and master's degrees in education and agricultural economics with emphases on finance and management from Texas Tech University in Lubbock. He is a 1997 graduate of Indiana University's Evan Bayh Center for Economic Development.

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FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Pasquale Gagliardo Jr., 49, of Brooklyn, N.Y., was arrested Sunday by Midland County deputies on a charge of evading arrest and/or detention with a vehicle.

Carlos Aguirre Ochoa Jr., 32, of Midland, was arrested Sunday by Midland police on two charges of driving while intoxicated.

Casey Vincent Powell, 33, of Midland, was arrested Sunday by Midland police on a charge of aggravated assault causes serious bodily injury.

Sergio Villa Ramos, 36, of Midland, was arrested Sunday by Midland police on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

Franklin Lee Ray, 27, of Midland, was arrested Sunday by Midland County deputies on a charge of burglary of a habitation.

Miguel Rivas Jr., 23, of Ozona, was arrested Sunday by Midland police on a charge of possession of a controlled substance in a correctional facility.

Elijah Jerome Sullivan, 20, of Midland, was arrested Sunday by Midland police on a charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

Angelou cancels appearance, cites illness

Associated Press

DENTON — Officials at a North Texas university have canceled a Wednesday appearance by poet Maya Angelou, citing illness.

A spokeswoman for Texas Woman's University said she had no details on Angelou's illness. A statement on the university's website says it hopes to reschedule the appearance for this semester.

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FASTSIGNS® opens new location, named one of nation's top centers

After spending 17 years in the same storefront, the Midland FASTSIGNS® sign and graphics center has moved to a new location. The move did not take Mike Hogue, owner of Fastsigns of Midland, and his team very far, however. The center can now be found in the end unit just a few doors down from its previous location in The Courtyard at Midland Park, located at 4410 N. Midkiff.

"This is a very exciting change for this center. Every day, we read stories about how the economies in other states aren't growing or are even shrinking," explained Hogue. "That's not the case in Midland. Our area is in the middle of a growth spurt and our new location positions us to better help area businesses that are benefiting from our strong local economy get the most from their marketing."

Of course, the increase in business brought about more than just a new location for the Midland Fastsigns center. At the 2012 Fastsigns Convention, held in Nashville, Tenn. in January, Hogue's center was named within the top 125 centers in the country out of more than 440. He was presented with the Pinnacle Club Award to recognize the center's accomplishment of being within the top tier of United States Fastsigns locations.

"It was a great feeling to learn that we were ranked as one of the top centers in the country. My team works diligently to make sure that our customers' projects are effective and eye-catching and winning this award is truly a testament to the team's hard work. I'm glad that our facility can now better accommodate our work so that we can continue to provide the quality products and services that our customers deserve."

The new Midland Fastsigns now boasts a completely updated showroom that features samples of the wide variety of products and capabilities that the center offers. Additionally, the production area features an improved layout with spaces that are built specifically to accommodate some of the center's more specialized equipment. While Hogue admits that moving an entire business was a lot of work, he says that he and his team have already felt the positive effects of the Jan. 30 move.

"My team and I can't wait to show our new location off to the community. We've only been in this new space for a few weeks, but we already feel like our new storefront is home. Not only is their more room in which for us to work, but the updated look and layout in the new center gives our business a fresh, cutting-edge feel for 2012. We want to invite anyone who is interested to stop by, meet the team and take a look around our new center."

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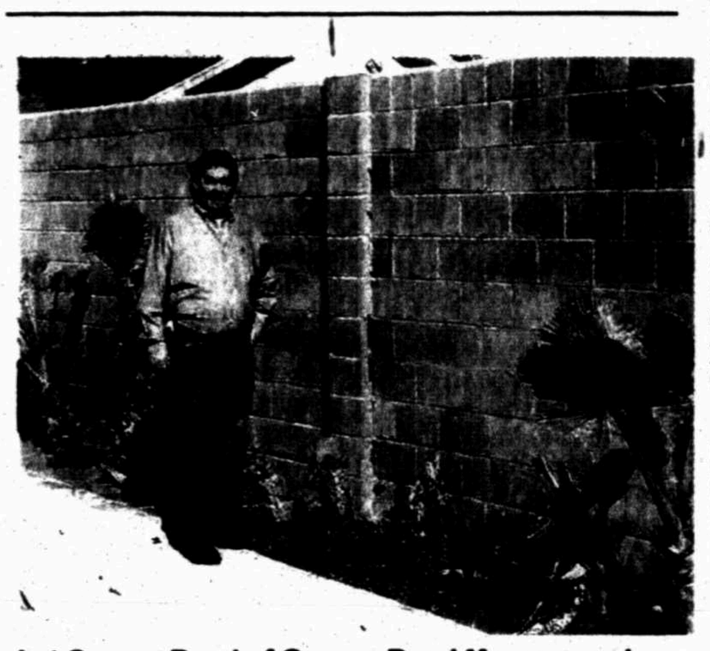

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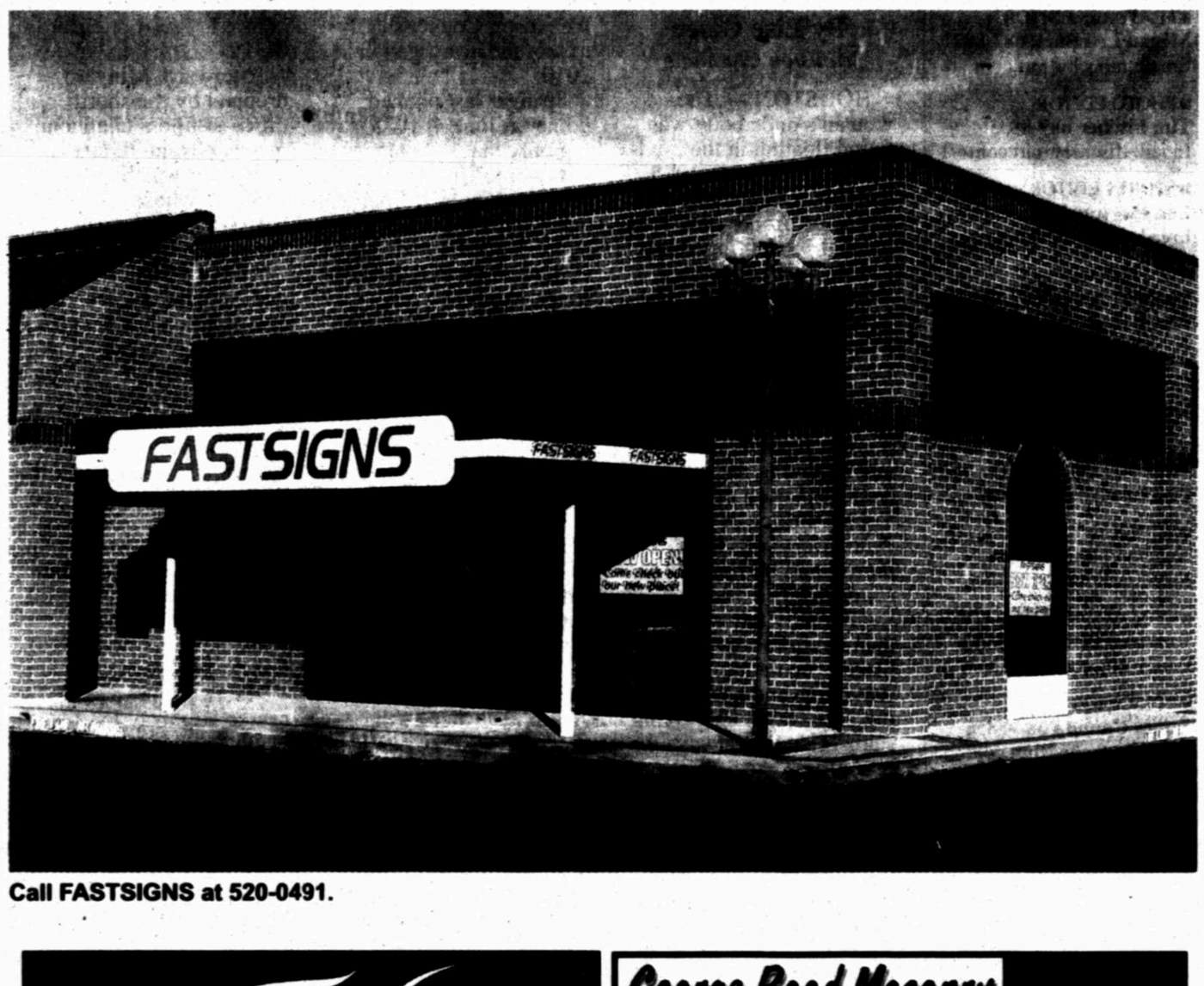

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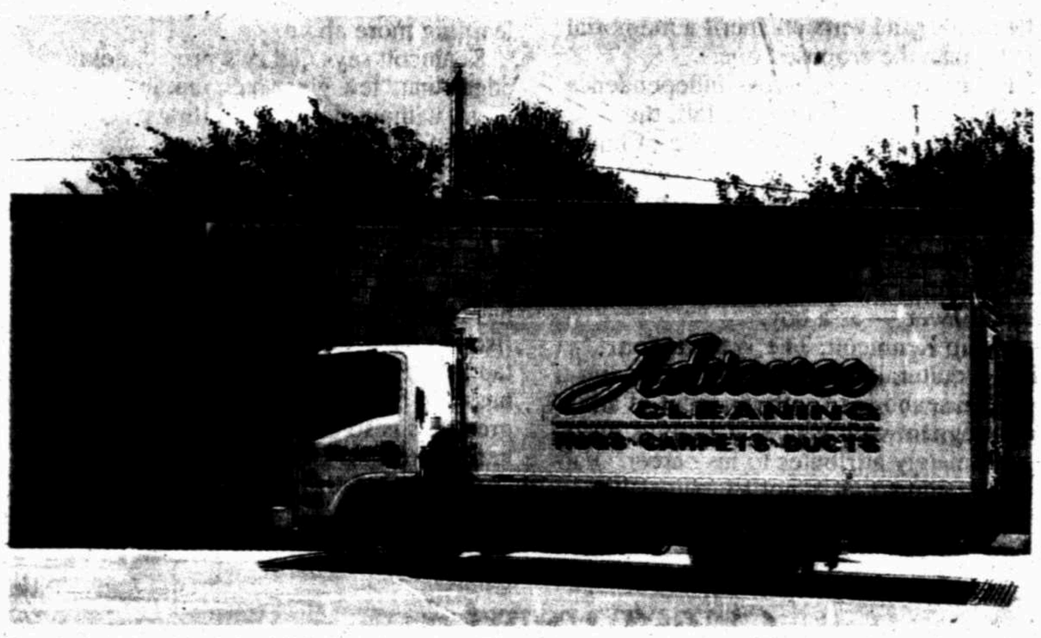

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Opinion

Where are the reasons to like (and honor) Ike?

■ A book, and not a proposed memorial, tells the real story about Dwight Eisenhower.

GEORGE WILL
Washington Post Writers Group

Two coming developments, one dismal and one excellent, pertain to America's memory of a great man. One of several oversight panels soon will consider a proposed memorial to Dwight Eisenhower. The proposal is an exhibitionistic triumph of theory over function — more a monument to its creator Frank Gehry, practitioner of architectural flamboyance, than to the most underrated president. Fortunately, today comes Jean Edward Smith's biography "Eisenhower in War and Peace," which demonstrates why the man's achievements merit a memorial better than the proposed one.

Filling four acres across Independence Avenue from the National Mall, the memorial will have a colonnade of huge limestone-clad columns from which will hang 80-foot stainless-steel mesh "tapestries" depicting images evocative of Eisenhower's Kansas youth. And almost as an afterthought, there will be a statue of Eisenhower — as a boy.

Philip Kennicott, The Washington Post's cultural critic, said the statue suggests Eisenhower "both innocent of and yet pregnant with whatever failings history ultimately attributes to his career." Failings? A memorial is not an exhaustive assessment, it is a celebration of a preponderance of greatness.

Kennicott praises Gehry's project because it allows visitors "space to form their own assessment of Eisenhower's legacy." But memorials are not seminars, they are reminders — that a person esteemed by the nation lived and is worth learning more about.

Kennicott says Gehry's project acknowledges that "few great men are absolutely great, without flaws and failings." Good grief. If Ike, with all his defects, was not great, cancel the memorial.

Kennicott celebrates the "relatively small representation of Eisenhower" because "there were other Eisenhowers right behind him, other men who could have done what he did, who would have risen to the occasion if they had been tapped." How sweetly democratic: Greatness can be tapped hither and yon. But if greatness is so abundant and assured, it is hardly greatness, so cancel *all* memorials.

So far, the best remembrance of Eisenhower is Smith's superb biography of one of three Americans (with Washington and Grant) who were world figures before becoming president. Eisenhower entered the White House having dealt with such demanding military men as John Pershing, Douglas MacArthur and George Marshall, then FDR, Churchill, Stalin (Eisenhower was the only foreigner ever to stand alongside Stalin atop Lenin's tomb), de Gaulle and others in the excruciatingly complex task of conducting coalition warfare with the largest multinational force ever assembled.

Intellectuals and journalists, who are often the last to learn things, regarded Eisenhower as amiable and mediocre. He was neither. He was cold (see Smith on Eisenhower's dismissal of his wartime companion Kay Summersby). He was steely (a three-to-four pack a day smoker, he quit when "I simply gave myself an order"). He was brutal (he used financial pressure to bring Britain to heel during the 1956 Suez crisis). He was subtle (he assisted de Gaulle's seizure of power in France in 1944, contrary to FDR's fervent wishes). He was audacious (he evaded Churchill by dealing directly with Stalin).

After Eisenhower quickly liquidated a stalemated war in Korea, no American died in combat during his presidency. Twice, concerning the French besieged at Dien Bien Phu in Vietnam and during the Formosa Strait crisis, he resisted — a president with less military confidence might not have — his most senior advisers advocating the use of nuclear weapons.

Smith is most mind-opening regarding Eisenhower on race. In February 1953 — 15 months before Brown v. Board of Education — he vowed to use every power of his office to end segregation in the District of Columbia and the armed forces — two-thirds of Army units were still segregated five years after President Truman's integration order. By October 1954, no more segregated units existed.

In 1957, he sent the 101st Airborne to integrate Little Rock's Central High School. In 1958, he told the Red Cross to ignore a Louisiana law requiring that blood from black and white donors be segregated. This was in character: In 1942, when Australia desperately sought U.S. troops but said a law prohibited blacks from entering the country, Gen. Eisenhower said, "All right. No troops." Australia quickly saw the light.

Smith, biographer of Lucius Clay, John Marshall, Grant and FDR, writes: "(Eisenhower) was buried in a government-issue, eighty-dollar pine coffin, wearing his famous Ike jacket with no medals or decorations other than his insignia of rank." His memory should not be buried beneath a grandiose memorial that contributes only to the worsening clutter on and around the Mall.

GUEST VIEW

Time to close loophole on natural gas

San Antonio Express-News

Technological advances have opened up vast new sources of oil and natural gas in Texas. Hydraulic fracturing in the Barnett and Eagle Ford shale formations has created an energy boom that is the target of huge investments and is the source of huge profits.

The ease with which fracking makes it possible to extract these resources also renders obsolete a state tax exemption for high-cost natural gas production. The Legislature enacted the exemption in 1989 as a temporary measure to spur investment in what were then technically difficult wells to drill.

Lawmakers extended the exemption in 1995 and 1999. It was set to expire on 2003.

In a legislative mystery worthy of Sherlock Holmes, however, the exemption was made permanent when some unknown person stealthily inserted a single line into a complex tax bill. Even the authors of the measure claim not to know how the permanent tax break was inserted. No one else in Austin has an answer for how the Legislature approved it with no one noticing.

Natural gas production is normally taxed at 7.5 percent of market value. But the Legislative Budget Board says the effective tax rate is actually 1.1 to 1.9 percent because of this and other exemptions.

The high-cost exemption alone led to the loss of $7.4 billion in revenue from 2004 to 2009. New numbers from the state comptroller's office show the exemption reduced state revenue by $1.3 billion in 2010 and $1 billion in 2011.

The LBB found that in 2009, 55 percent of gas production in Texas qualified for the high-cost exemption. But the production definition is so loose and so antiquated that a $24,000 gas well qualified as a high-cost operation even though the median cost for drilling a well was $2.3 million.

Rep. Mike Villarreal, D-San Antonio, introduced a measure during the last session that would have suspended the exemption during years in which funding for public education declined or the natural gas market was strong. While lawmakers cut spending on public education by $4 billion from the existing funding formula, they rejected Villarreal's measure that would have closed a multi-billion-dollar loophole.

The Legislature should reconsider the high-cost exemption when it resumes next January. At the very least, lawmakers should write tighter standards for so-called difficult wells that take into account two decades worth of drilling innovations.

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Liberals hijack black history

Editor's Note: The following column has been edited for length.

CAL THOMAS
Tribune Media Services

Black History Month honors the achievements of African-Americans throughout history and that is a good thing. Unfortunately, a reliance on family and faith, which allowed many African-Americans to survive the horrors of Reconstruction, racial injustice and violent acts of discrimination, has become a casualty of the modern welfare state, which has contributed to the destruction of family cohesion, supplanted faith in God with faith in government and fashioned many African-Americans into a Democratic voting bloc that has not improved the lot of the impoverished among them.

While African-American history is important, the way it most often is presented through a liberal political lens skews the contributions and examples of African-Americans who do not toe the liberal line. One especially sees this in the civil rights establishment's response to Justice Clarence Thomas and more recently to Rep. Allen West (R-Fla.)

West took to the floor of the House last week to praise what he called the Republican Party's contributions to civil rights. It is a history practically unknown among many African-Americans, who have been taught that Republicans are racist and care nothing about black empowerment. When examples to the contrary are presented, they often call white Republicans disparaging names and vilify black Republicans as insufficiently black.

The Republican Party, not the Democratic Party, West asserted, has consistently fought for individual freedom over the last 150 years. He said Democratic "handouts" to the poor have resulted in a "modern form of slavery." Republicans, he said, "reject the idea of the safety net becoming a hammock."

West noted that following Republican Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation, Republicans supported the 13th, 14th and 15th Amendments to the Constitution, which ended slavery, provided for equal protection under the law and gave voting rights to blacks.

West added, "It was the Republican-controlled 39th Congress that established the Buffalo Soldiers," an African-American regiment of the U.S. Army, and that it was President Ulysses S. Grant who signed into law the Civil Rights Act of 1875. Republican Calvin Coolidge spoke out in favor of civil rights. The late Republican Congressman Jack Kemp promoted "enterprise zones" in depressed urban neighborhoods.

Republican George W. Bush, West said, "signed an omnibus bill that included a voucher program for school children...," establishing school choice in Washington, D.C. President Obama announced there would be no new funding for the program in his current budget, even though it's enormously popular with poor African-American parents, who see school choice as fundamental to their child's success. Apparently, the president favors teachers' unions over poor schoolchildren.

West's point is those Democrats who claim to care so much for African-Americans have done them a disservice by perpetuating the myth of Republican racism and addicting too many of them to a government check instead of liberating them through education and strong families.

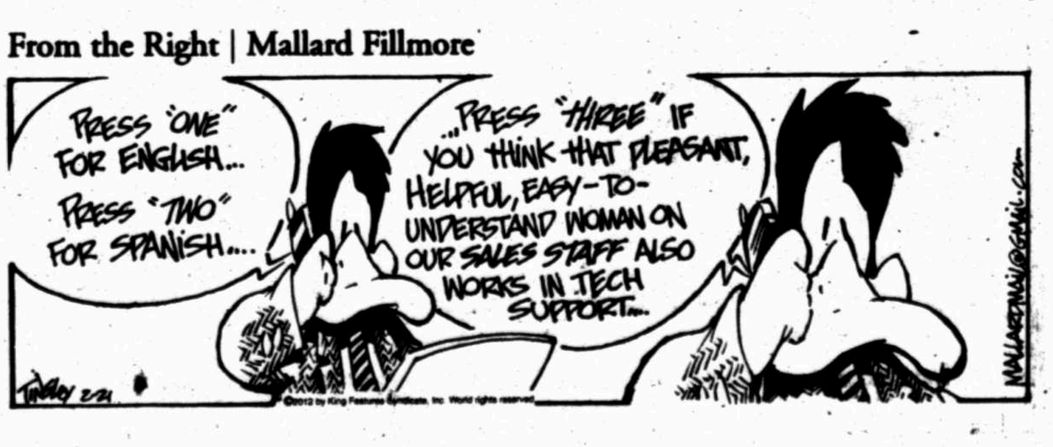
According to a study by The Heritage Foundation, published in Investor's Business Daily, "The American public's dependence on the federal government shot up 23 percent in just two years under President Obama, with 67 million now relying on some federal program." That involves money for housing, health, welfare, education and other programs that were "traditionally provided to needy people by local organizations and families."

Of course, African-Americans are not the only group represented in this number — there are poor Hispanics, poor whites, etc. And certainly not all vote Democratic. The fact is, more and more Americans are finding themselves relying on government. In many cases, they would work if there was work to be had; they would succeed if the road to success were a viable option.

The question for African-Americans, however, particularly during Black History Month, is not about history at all. The question is: "Are you better off than you were 40 years ago?" By any objective measure, the answer for too many is "no." That was West's point. No wonder the liberal establishment wants to redistrict him out of Congress.

From the Left | Doonesbury

From the Right | Mallard Fillmore



Lizard conservation plan approved

By Gabriella Lopez
Odessa American

While it still needs to be signed, the Texas Conservation Plan for the dunes sagebrush lizard has been approved and is in its final stages, U.S. Fish and Wildlife representative Tom Buckley said.

Conservation plans allow landowners to work with the government voluntarily to protect species' habitat while maintaining work on the land, such as ranching or oil and gas production.

In the past, landowners and oil and gas companies in southeastern New Mexico signed candidate conservation agreements or candidate conservation agreements with assurances to coordinate management of the species.

Under such agreements, potential lizard populations are located within the habitat and projects are either moved or not started in that particular area.

Members of the Texas Oil and Gas Association said they viewed the plan as a solution balancing wildlife considerations while maintaining oil and gas production, a news release stated.

It is the first plan in the U.S. to address conservation and recovery measures for the dunes sagebrush lizard, the release stated.

Environmentalists also are pleased with the new measure.

After having been a candidate for the endangered listing since 2001, the Fish and Wildlife Service proposed the lizard's listing in 2007 facing the threat of a lawsuit for inaction from the group WildEarth Guardians. The federal government would have classified the lizard as endangered in December; however, the Fish and Wildlife Service pushed back the final decision till June 2012 to allow for additional submissions of scientific research and more public comments.

The delay was viewed negatively by some environmentalists who saw it as caving to the demands of the oil and gas industry's lobbyists and the Texas and New Mexico politicians who had worked to keep the lizard off the listing. Under the latest version of the Endangered Species Act, economic considerations are not allowed to factor in.

Jay Lininger, a representative of the Center for Biological Diversity, said that while the plan is not a substitute for an endangered species listing, it's still a positive thing.

"This plan is a good step forward, Lininger said.

Members of the Texas Oil and Gas Association hope the plan will lead to a decision to keep the lizard off the endangered species list, the release stated.

However, citing studies of lizard habitat, Lininger said that very little land would be impacted.

"Even if everyone signed up, it would impact a tiny sliver of the oil patch," Lininger said.

NATION BRIEFS

TENNESSEE

Southern Baptist panel recommends add-on to name

NASHVILLE — A panel for the Southern Baptist Convention has recommended that its leadership approve a new, add-on description for the denomination, though it wouldn't be a legal name change.

It would be "Great Commission Baptists."

Officials described it as a way to give an official, sanctioned identity to affiliated churches and believers who don't want to use the term "Southern."

SBC President Bryant Wright, has said he is concerned that the "Southern" name is too regional and hinders the faith's effort to expand.

The panel rejected a complete name change, citing the legal costs and difficulties. They also noted the positive associations many hold with the Southern Baptist name, such as its disaster relief organization.

ATLANTA

Ex-Glock attorney accused of stealing millions

The vice president of firearms manufacturing giant Glock Inc. confessed nine years ago to the company's founder that he and another top officer had been stealing millions from the company, later telling investigators there was so much cash flying around that it seemed like "Monopoly money."

The executive, Peter Manown, was sentenced to 10 years probation after pleading guilty to theft and is now set to be the government's star witness against the man he says was his accomplice, one-time Glock attorney Paul Jannuzzo.

Jannuzzo is set to go to trial Tuesday on theft and racketeering charges.

Jannuzzo's trial threatens to expose new details about the privately held international firearms manufacturer, which bases its U.S. headquarters in a quiet Georgia suburb. In a 2007 interview with investigators, Manown detailed internal tension among executives and claimed he was able to exploit loose financial practices at the gunmaker, which makes millions selling firearms to law enforcement agencies across the globe.

All told, the two are accused of stealing more than $5 million from the company and its holdings, according to court records.

Jannuzzo has pleaded not guilty.

Associated Press

Protesters line 9th St. in front of Capitol Square in In Richmond,Va., on Monday. Hundreds of women locked arms Monday, and stood mute outside the Virginia State Capitol to protest a wave of anti-abortion legislation coursing through the 2012 General Assembly.

Women protest anti-abortion bills

Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. — Hundreds of women locked arms and stood mute outside the Virginia State Capitol on Monday to protest a wave of anti-abortion legislation coursing through the General Assembly.

Capitol and state police officers, there to ensure order, estimated the crowd to be more than 1,000 people — mostly women. The crowd formed a human cordon through which legislators walked before Monday's floor sessions of the Republican-controlled legislature.

The silent protest was over bills that would define embryos as humans and criminalize their destruction, require "transvaginal" ultrasounds of women seeking abortions, and cut state aid to poor women seeking abortions.

Molly Vick, of Richmond, said it was her first time to take part in a protest, but the issue was too infuriating and compelling. On her lavender shirt, she wore a sticker that said "Say No to State-Mandated Rape." Just beneath the beltline of her blue jeans was a strip of yellow tape that read "Private Property: Keep Out."

One organizer said the event took root, was organized and publicized almost wholly through Facebook and other social media after last week's votes on landmark anti-abortion bills racing through a legislature dominated for the first time by conservative Republicans.

"We could feel that there was a lot of outrage and emotion and people talking about these issues," said Sarah Okolita, a Virginia Commonwealth University graduate student who helped arrange the Monday morning event.

The protest also came as Virginia's highly partisan debate over abortion legislation moved into the realm of comedy and national pop culture when a segment on NBC's "Saturday Night Live" lampooned ultrasound bills sponsored by Del. Kathy Byron, R-Campbell County, and Sen. Jill Vogel, R-Fauquier.

Evangelicals want reversal of birth control rule

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — A group of evangelical pastors on Monday joined Roman Catholic clergy who oppose an Obama administration requirement that employees of religiously affiliated businesses receive birth control coverage.

Speaking at the National Religious Broadcasters convention in Nashville, Family Research Council President Tony Perkins said more than 2,500 pastors and evangelical leaders have signed a letter to President Obama asking him to reverse the mandate.

While most Protestants do not oppose contraception per se, the letter calls the mandate a violation of religious freedoms.

"This is not a Catholic issue," Perkins said. "We will not tolerate any denomination having their religious freedom impinged upon by the government."

The signers also object to a requirement that contraceptive coverage include the morning-after pill and other drugs and devices that prevent a fertilized egg from implanting in the uterus to grow.

The mandate does not apply to houses of worship, only religiously affiliated institutions like universities, hospitals and nonprofits.

After an uproar about the birth control rules earlier this year, Obama offered a compromise two weeks ago in which insurers, rather than religious groups, would pay for the contraceptive coverage.

Richard Land, president of the Southern Baptist Convention's Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission, promised to challenge the mandate both in court and in Congress.

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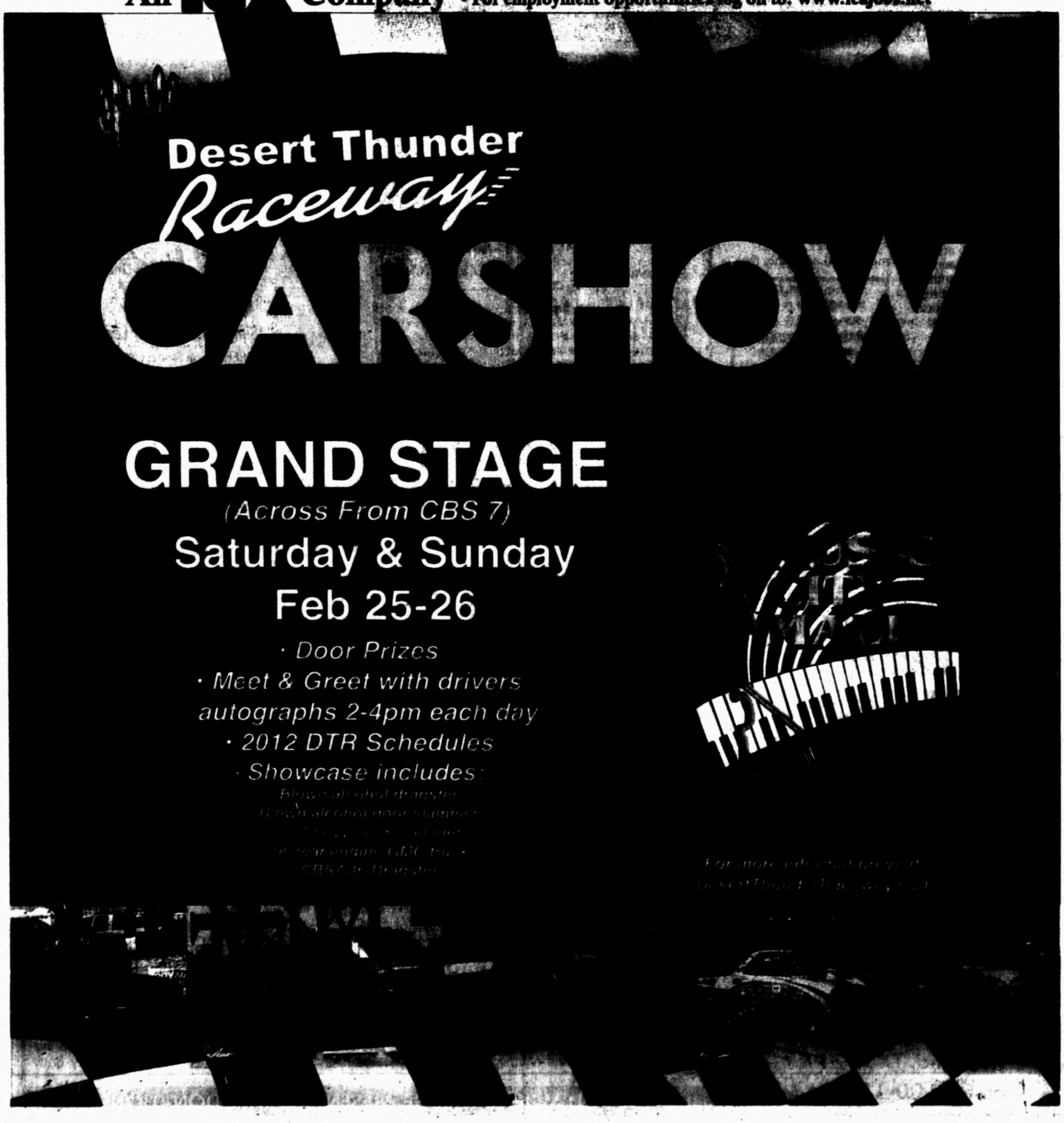

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Education

Magnet school applications available

Students will be admitted through lottery drawings

By Meredith Moriak
Staff Writer

Enrollment applications are now available for Midland ISD's three elementary schools that offer magnet programs in math and science, fine arts, and technology and communication.

Washington Science and Math Institute, Bowie Fine Arts Academy and Pease Communication and Technology Academy offer specialized programs and accept students on an application-only basis.

Though any MISD student can apply for the programs, the number of spots is limited and only a few students are admitted each year after being selected through a lottery, said Bill Maurer, MISD executive director of student services

Magnet applications timeline

Today: Applications available at magnet campuses, MISD Administrative office and at www.midlandisd.net
March 20: Applications due to magnet campuses
April 20: Lottery drawing held at MISD administrative office
May 4: Notices mailed to parents regarding lottery results
May 14: Deadline to accept or decline magnet admission

Last year, Bowie received 450 applications, but only had 58 openings. There were 269 applications and only two seats at Pease, and 328 applications for 60 seats at Washington.

While the majority of applications are for lower grades, Maurer said the most openings are in kindergarten, fifth and sixth grades.

Student retention and enrollment preference are given to siblings contribute to a different number of spots open at each campus each year, Maurer said.

Once a student enrolls at a magnet school, they are able to remain there through sixth grade. Additionally, younger siblings who apply for admission are given preference if they have an older sibling attending, Maurer said.

A re-enrollment form will be sent home to current magnet school students today so they can designate their plans for the 2012-13 school year.

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WORLDTHINKINGDAY

Annual event gives Girl Scouts tour of the world

By Meredith Moriak
Staff Writer

With school out for Presidents Day, more than 100 Girl Scouts "traveled" to countries like Italy, China, Russia and the Philippines on Monday as part of the World Thinking Day celebration.

In addition to learning about Girl Scouts and Girl Guides in other countries, the annual event allows Scouts to learn about different cultures and rituals.

Nine-year-old Madi Lane and her troop from St. Ann's School chose to represent Italy and had a booth at the event.

The 13 troops that participated shared information about their chosen country, most choosing to discuss the flag, food and dress. Girls rotate through different booths, learning about the country and often completing craft projects and playing games.

Madi said her troop chose Italy because they wanted to serve pizza. They also had supplies for mask making, because they had learned about the popularity of masquerades.

"Going to other booths and learning about different places" was one of Madi's favorite things about Thinking Day. She also liked trading pins known as "swaps" with girls from other booths, she said.

Madi's mom, Terry Lane, serves as troop leader, and said she was surprised with how well the turnout was.

"Because it's a holiday, I think a lot of people were ready to come out and participate," said Lane, who remembers Thinking Day from her childhood.

Photos by Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

TOP: Katie Curran, 13, prepares to launch a cardboard cylinder at the caber toss Monday during the annual Thinking Day event at the Girl Scouts of the Desert Southwest. The caber toss, which is a traditional Scottish athletic event, was one of several activities the Girls Scouts did to help them learn about the different countries and cultures of Girl Scouts from around the world. **ABOVE:** Kacey Miles, 10, tries on her mask she made at the booth that represents Italy on Monday during the event.

April Gardner, of Andrews, said she brought her troop of third grade Brownies because it's an educational component of Girl Scouts.

"We're out here in West Texas, but through Thinking Day, they start thinking about girls in different parts of the world and learning how things are different for them," said Gardner, who grew up in a military family and was a Girl Scout in Germany.

Gardner said she remembers participating as a child and learning about all of the different girls living everywhere.

Abby Sanchez, 12, is a member of Troop 177 and found it interesting to learn they don't wear pants in Scotland.

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Area students to compete for spelling title

By Meredith Moriak
Staff Writer

When Sophia Koo stepped up to the podium during the 23rd round of Abell Junior High's spelling bee Jan. 19, she was calm and collected.

Her challenger had just misspelled "droll" and she waited patiently for Abell Librarian Paula Knight to pronounce her word.

She'd won a spelling bee before, as a sixth-grader at Greathouse Elementary and knew if she spelled her last word correctly, she'd go on to the regional bee.

Regional bee

The 25th annual Regional Spelling Bee will be at 9 a.m. Saturday in Midland College's Allison Fine Arts Building.

After Knight said the word "rugged" and read the definition, Koo correctly said R-U-G-G-E-D. Bee judges smiled, and Koo knew she'd clenched her spot in this year's battle of the best spellers.

Koo and 40 other elementary and junior high students from Midland and Big Spring will compete in the regional spelling bee at 9 a.m. Saturday at Midland College's Allison Fine Arts Building.

Sponsored by the Reporter-Telegram, the 25th annual Regional Spelling Bee is a qualifier for the 2012 Scripps National Spelling Bee, which is May 30-31 in Washington, D.C.

Koo said she has looking forward to competing in the regional bee again this year. Last year, she took third place and the seventh-grader said she's been studying more this year to prepare.

"I study the words and then ask someone in my family to test me," she said, noting she likes competing because it's something she's good at.

Koo said she doesn't spend hours studying but does take time each day to review the words in the book and prepare for the bee.

Students placing first through fifth will be awarded prizes at the regional bee.

In addition to an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, the first-place winner will receive a Merriam-Webster's Third New International Dictionary, a $100 savings bond, $125 cash, a one-year subscription to Encyclopedia Britannica Online and a trophy.

The second-place winner will receive a Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary, $75 cash, a one-year subscription to Encyclopedia Britannica Online and a trophy.

The third-place winner will receive a $20 Amazon.com gift certificate, $50 cash, a one-year subscription to Encyclopedia Britannica Online and a trophy.

The fourth-place winner will receive a $20 Amazon.com gift certificate, $25 cash and a trophy. The fifth-place winner will receive $25 cash and a trophy.

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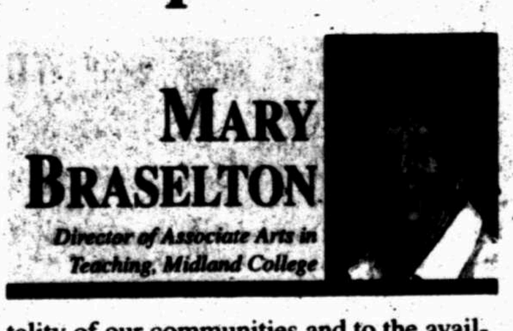
Junior Achievement provides lessons in free enterprise system

A topic running through the Republican presidential debates has been the value of free enterprise and its role in the maintenance of an economically viable United States. It is nice to know that Midland ISD and Midland College are on board with support of the uniquely American concept of free enterprise and are to be commended for endorsing and participating in a program that affects 4 million American students in more than 173,000 kindergarten through 12th-grade classrooms.

The program is Junior Achievement USA and its core purpose is to inspire and prepare young people to succeed in a global economy.

"Knowledge of the free enterprise system, its benefits to citizens and its relationship to job creation is important for young people across the nation, to the vitality of our communities and to the availability of a well-educated workforce," said Jack E. Kosakowski, president and CEO of Junior Achievement.



The basic concept of Junior Achievement emphasizes three pillars of student success: entrepreneurship, work readiness and financial literacy. Lessons are grade- and age-specific and are prepared in great depth and detail. For example, the kindergarten lessons are entitled "Ourselves" and introduces the economic role of each individual. Third-graders learn about "Our City," which focuses on economic development, local businesses and career opportunities. Fifth-graders learn about "Our Nation," which provides practical information about the demands of the job market and how an individual should meet those demands.

All lessons are aligned with the TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills), and beginning with the 2011-12 school year, the TEKS for Economics is now Economics with Emphasis on the Free Enterprise System and Its Benefits.

Junior Achievement can be traced to August 1916 when the Eastern States Agricultural and Industrial Exposition in Springfield, Mass., hosted a conference of 300 agricultural and business leaders, who set the goal of designing general wholesome activities for boys and girls. Theodore Vail, president of American Telephone & Telegraph (AT&T) and co-founder of what eventually became Junior Achievement, said in 1918:

"The future of our country depends upon making every individual fully realize the obligations and responsibilities belonging to citizenship. Habits are formed in youth … what we need in this country now … is to teach the growing generations to realize that thrift and economy, coupled with industry, are necessary now as they were in past generations."

This firm belief in the free enterprise system has caused the CEOs of myriad corporations to financially support JA. They base their continued support on startling statistics regarding students who drop out of school.

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Obituaries

Robert "Bob" Leslie Sebree

Robert "Bob" Leslie Sebree, 71, of Midland, went home to be with our Lord and Savior, on Friday, February 17, 2012. He was born on February 5, 1941, in Georgetown, KY. He was a wonderful man, who truly loved his family with all of his heart. He was a great provider for his family.

Bob served in the United States Air Force from 1962 to May of 1967. He spent the year of 1966 in Vietnam. He worked for Permian Corporation for 31 years and then for Stewart and Stevenson for 10 years.

He is survived by his wife of nearly 50 years, Becky Sebree; two sons, Jerry Sebree and Ronnie Sebree; one daughter, Beth Sebree and life partner Debra Ake, all of Midland, TX. Bob had 5 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. He is also survived by one sister, Christine Guffey of Frankfort, KY, as well as numerous nieces and nephews, cousins, and friends. He will be greatly missed by everyone who knew him.

The family will have visitation tonight from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Wednesday, February 22 at 1:00 p.m., at St. Mark's United Methodist Church, at 1701 N. Main, Midland, TX. with Pastor Gilbert Bela officiating. Interment will follow at Fairview Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Mark's United Methodist Church, or to a charity of your choice.

Funeral services are under the direction of Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home. Family messages and condolences may be emailed to: pipkin@nts-online.net.

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Mary Elizabeth "Ibby" Whitaker Hardie

Mary Elizabeth "Ibby" Whitaker Hardie, went to be with our Lord, Jesus Christ in heaven, on Sunday, February 19, 2012. Ibby was born in El Paso, Texas, on December 7, 1921, and was the only child of Ruby May Harris Whitaker and John William Whitaker. She met the love of her life, Thornton Hardie, Jr, when she was 16 years old, and they married on December 26, 1942, in El Paso. Thornton died on February 25, 1980. She was also preceded in death by her parents; by her precious great grandson, Bowen Daniel Teeple; and by a great-granddaughter, Meredith Leigh Garrett, whom she never met.

Surviving Ibby are her children, Mary Adele Hardie Teeple, Ann Elizabeth Hardie Reed, Thornton Hardie, III and their spouses, Charles Sloan Teeple, IV, William Edward Reed, and Susan Smith Hardie; her seven grandchildren, Charles Sloan Teeple, V and wife, Susan, Bryan Whitaker Teeple and wife, Delaine, Sarah Hardie Davis and husband, Gate, Amy Hardie Peeples and husband, Ray, Elizabeth Hardie Watkins Garrett and husband, Jacob, William Michael Reed, and Rebecca Ann Reed. Ibby was blessed with eleven great grandchildren, all of whom were present at her 90th birthday celebration in December, 2011. They are Charles Sloan Teeple, VI (Chase), James Hudson Teeple, Evelyn Hardie Teeple, Charles Whitaker Teeple (Whit), Adele Chapman Teeple, Eleanor Thornton Davis, Wiley James Davis, Elise Hardie Garrett, Katherine Gillary Garrett, Ada Carolyn Peeples, and Mary Winborne Peeples. In 1967-68, the Hardie family hosted an American Field Service foreign exchange student, Fabio Schiantarelli, from Sondrio, Italy, whom is loved and considered part of the family, and with whom they have maintained contact through the years.

Ibby received her BA degree in English from the University of Texas at El Paso, which was then the Texas College of Mines and Metallurgy. She was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority, receiving her 50 year pin many years ago. She also attended the University of Texas in Austin, for one year prior to World War II.

Ibby moved to Midland in 1947, after her husband, Thornton, graduated from the University of Texas Law School. She became a member of First Presbyterian Church, where she remained the rest of her life. She served as a deacon and an elder, and she and Thornton taught 4th grade Sunday school for many years. She served as a Circle leader and Moderator of Presbyterian Women. Ibby was a founding member of the Midland Service League and a charter member of the Junior League of Midland, where she served as President and Vice President, Secretary and chaired numerous committees. She was a board member of Community Chest and of the Family Counseling Service, as well as the Midland Opera Theater, and Symphony Guild.

For many years, Ibby and Thornton enjoyed their home at Blue Lake Estates on Lake LBJ near Marble Falls. The family gathered there for most holidays, and they enjoyed many vacations and weekends with family and friends. They also loved traveling the world with friends, and Ibby continued her travels for many years after Thornton's death. She felt blessed that she was able to take each of her seven grandchildren on trips to Spain and London.

A memorial service will be held Wednesday, February 22, at 10:00 a.m., at First Presbyterian Church, 800 West Texas Avenue, with Rev. Steve Schorr officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Midland, Texas. Condolences may be made at: www.ellisfunerals.com.

A reception will be held afterward in the Church Parlor. A private burial will be held prior to the memorial service in Resthaven Memorial Park, under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. Honorary pallbearers will be grandsons Sloan Teeple, Bryan Teeple, and Michael Reed, and her granddaughters' spouses, Jacob Garrett, Gate Davis, and Ray Peeples.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to First Presbyterian Church Deacons Fund, Midland Memorial Hospital, and High Sky Children's Ranch, or to a charity of choice.

The family would like to give heartfelt appreciation and thanks to the wonderful team of caregivers Mom has had, and to the beautiful people who worked with her for many years. We are forever thankful for Dr. Summer Merritt, Alice Saenz, Willie B Johnson, Carmen Payan, Telma Ward, Mary Leon, Yolanda Guzman, Sara Herrera, Cecilia Montoya, Anna Diaz, Melissa Cooper, and Lissett Olandez, and, of course, Sixto!

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Death Notices

Billie Darcy

Billie Darcy, 83, of Andrews, past away early Sunday, February 19, 2012, in Andrews.

She is survived by her daughter, Susie Stroud: her son, George Darcy; brother Buster Dover; and sister, Faye Vaught; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

There are no services scheduled at this time.

Gary Shane Ringener

Gary Shane Ringener, 36, of Lubbock, passed away on Saturday, February 18, 2012, in Lubbock.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 22, 2012, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Survivors include his mother, Letha Ringener; brother, Larry Wayne Ringener; and four aunts.

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

Lottie Jo "Sug" Owens Bloxom

RANKIN: Lottie Jo "Sug" Owens Bloxom, 85, of Rankin, passed away on Sunday, February 19, 2012, in Midland.

Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 a.m., on Thursday, February 23, 2012, at the First United Methodist Church in Rankin. Burial will follow in the Rankin Cemetery, with arrangements under the care and direction of Shaffer-Nichols Funeral Home of Crane.

Survivors include her son, Tom Bloxom (Lou); her daughter, Deborah Bloxom; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Ruby McReynolds

Ruby McReynolds, 96, of Andrews, passed away Saturday, February 18, 2012, in Andrews.

Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 21, 2012, at McNett Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will be in Andrews West Cemetery under the direction of McNett Funeral Home.

Ruby is survived by her daughters, Tommie Jean Arnold, Polly Terry, and Betty Sayers; one son, Mack McReynolds (Heather); fifteen grandchildren; twenty-eight great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

BRASELTON

From 1B

"Every day, 7,000 students drop out of high school. Last year, 1.3 million failed to graduate. By 2020, 15 million more will join them," according to JA's website. "Overall, young people who drop out are twice as likely as graduates to be unemployed; three times as likely to live in poverty; eight times as likely to wind up in prison; and twice as likely to become the parent of a child who drops out of school. The impact on the United States economy is tremendous, and one of the major goals of JA is to keep students in school by enticing them to learn about a free economy and the role that education plays in their reaching their potential."

Adults struggling with the realities of economics may overlook the impact that today's uncertain economic environment has on young people. So Junior Achievement USA and the National Chamber Foundation, a non-profit affiliate of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, conducted a national survey during summer 2011 of 2,213 high school juniors to discover what they were thinking about entrepreneurship, free enterprise and capitalism.

The survey's results "confirm the need for and value in providing entrepreneurship education for high school students, through both classroom-based and co-curricular learning opportunities. At least 9 in 10 juniors believe it is important to be taught about entrepreneurship, free enterprise and capitalism, yet less than half (45 percent) have been taught about entrepreneurship in school," according to JA's website.

The survey documents that seven in 10 high school juniors believe the economy either will stay the same or get worse in the coming year, and nine in 10 are concerned about future job prospects after they finish high school.

Future educators studying at MC consistently find the opportunity to teach as volunteers for Junior Achievement and say it is one of the most satisfying and career enhancing opportunities during their studies to become teachers. Not only do students get to test drive the teaching profession with state-of-the art materials, they get to interact with MISD teachers who help them do the best job they can teaching for the first time. It is a win-win situation for MISD students and MC future teachers.

If you are interested in volunteering locally or supporting JA financially, you can contact the educational director for West Texas Junior Achievement USA at dfinch@japermianbasin.org or 682-4966. You do not need a degree in economics to volunteer for JA-- just a willingness to teach youngsters about the uniqueness of American business opportunity and a few hours of time.

MAKINGTHEGRADE

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Midland High School senior **Abbey Grimes** has been honored by the Midland Downtown Lions Club. She is the daughter of Ben and Ashley Grimes.

Grimes

She is a member of the yearbook staff, National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society and homecoming court. She is an academic and volleyball letterman, a member of the All District and Academic All State teams and is a Texas Scholar.

She attends First Presbyterian Church and is involved in Young Life.

Grimes plans to attend University of Texas and major in journalism.

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Greenwood High School senior **Kyle Anthony Rimer** has been honored by the Midland Downtown Lions Club. He is the son of Terri and Charlie Rimer.

Rimer

He is a member of National Honor Society, PALS, Interact Club, football team and All-District team.

He is a member of Greenwood Baptist Church.

Rimer plans to attend McMurry University and major in engineering.

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Midland Christian School senior **Jacob Bradford** has been honored by the Midland Downtown Lions Club. He is the son of Jay and Dana Bradford.

He is a member of National Honor Society.

He is involved in the praise team at Kelview Heights Baptist Church and volunteers with Rock the Desert.

Bradford plans to attend Midland College and transfer to University of Oklahoma or Oklahoma Christian University.

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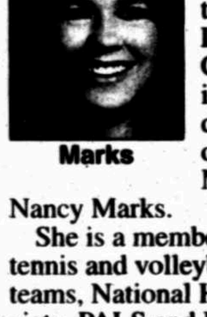
Lee High School senior **Eliza Marks** has been honored by the Midland Downtown Lions Club. She is the daughter of Barry Marks and Nancy Marks.



Marks

She is a member of the tennis and volleyball teams, National Honor Society, PALS and Interact Club. She was homecoming queen, member of the All-District volleyball team and track and volleyball letterman.

She attends Stonegate Fellowship and is involved in the youth group.

Marks plans to major in psychology.

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Midland High School senior **Bethany Pitchford** has been honored by the Midland Downtown Lions Club. She is the daughter of Leaoma Pitchford and Glenn Pitchford.

Pitchford

She is involved in theater and is a member of National Honor Society.

She volunteers at Henderson Elementary School, Hope House and Recording Library of West Texas.

Pitchford plans to attend Midland College and transfer to Texas Tech University.

MAGNET

From 1B

Once the number of open spaces is known, Maurer will hold a lottery on April 20 to fill the remaining positions. Students are divided based on geographic location, grade and campus for which they are applying.

Students who are not drawn in the lottery are placed on a wait list — also drawn from a lottery — and offered a place as openings become available, Maurer said.

Students are admitted to the magnet schools through the end of the first semester, so the school can be at capacity, Maurer said.

All campuses offer an extended day of classes that focusus on the school's specialty. Three open house days will be held, and Maurer said parents can take that time to talk with campus principals about the curriculum and programs.

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Magnet school open houses

Thursday:
9 to 9:45 a.m. at Pease, 10 to 10:45 a.m. at Washington, 11 to 11:45 at Bowie.

Feb. 29:
Noon to 12:45 at Bowie, 1 to 1:45 p.m. at Washington, 2 to 2:45 p.m. at Pease.

March 5:
5 to 5:45 p.m. at Bowie, 6 to 6:45 at Washington, 7 to 7:45 p.m. at Pease.

Grants benefit education consultants

Associated Press

DENVER — An investigation by the Denver Post has found that over the past two years, private education consultants took home 35 percent, or $9.4 million, of the $26.6 million in federal money meant to turn around failing schools in Colorado.

The newspaper reported the money is paying for instructional coaches for teachers, leadership coaches for principals, analysts to pore over test data and pricey three-day professional-development seminars on changing school culture.

Most states don't track how much these failing schools pay private education consultants, but of the dozen or so that do, the Post's analysis found the average is about 25 percent of the grant money.

Fed up with menu, students stage lunchroom boycott

Associated Press

TIVOLI — Macaroni and cheese again? Students at a junior high school near Texas' Gulf Coast staged a four-day boycott of cafeteria food last week to press for more menu choices and healthier alternatives.

About 30 students at Austwell-Tivoli Junior High School in Tivoli shunned the cafeteria's offerings and brought their lunches from home for four days last week, the Victoria Advocate reported over the weekend.

They demanded less menu repetition and more choice in what is served, including salads. President of the seventh-grade class Mckenzi Simmons said "boycott" was a vocabulary word in a recent Texas history class, and that students put what they'd learned into action.

"All we wanted was for our voice to be heard and a chance at change," said Mckenzi, 12.

Superintendent Antonio Aguirre said his Austwell-Tivoli Independent School District offers free lunch to students and staff because a large portion of the district is deemed low-income by the state.

Aguirre defended the school's menus, saying they are based on policy set by the Texas Department of Agriculture — which provide specific nutritional guidelines for foods like fruits and vegetables, portion sizes and fried foods.

But he also saluted the students for harnessing the "power of their own learning."

"Kids will say, 'When am I ever going to use this stuff?"' Aguirre said about some classrooms. "Maybe those girls are our leaders of tomorrow. Somebody has to jump up and do something different."

On Wednesday, Mckenzi and the class vice president sent a letter to their principal, Stephen Maldonado, on behalf of their class, calling for less repetition in lunches and a choice of a salad. That same day, another letter she sent to the principal emphasized their stance.

"We have tried other solutions before," the letter read. "However, seeing as there has been no change or consideration, we have come to this option. Once again, if we have hurt anyone's feelings we are sincerely sorry, as it was unintentional."

The students believe their demands have been heard and plan to now halt the boycott.

Information from: The Victoria Advocate, http://www.victoriaadvocate.com

Chicago school draws scrutiny over student fines

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Students at one charter school network in Chicago know there is a price to pay — literally — for breaking even the smallest rules.

Noble Network of Charter Schools charges students at its 10 high schools $5 for detentions stemming from infractions that include chewing gum and having untied shoelaces. Last school year it collected almost $190,000 in discipline "fees" from detentions and behavior classes.

But that policy drawing fire from some parents, advocacy groups and education experts who said Noble is nickel-and-diming its mostly low-income students over insignificant, made-up infractions that have little bearing on academic success.

Officials at the rapidly expanding network said the fees offset the cost of running the detention program, helping keep small problems from becoming big ones. Others argue the policy amounts to harassment.

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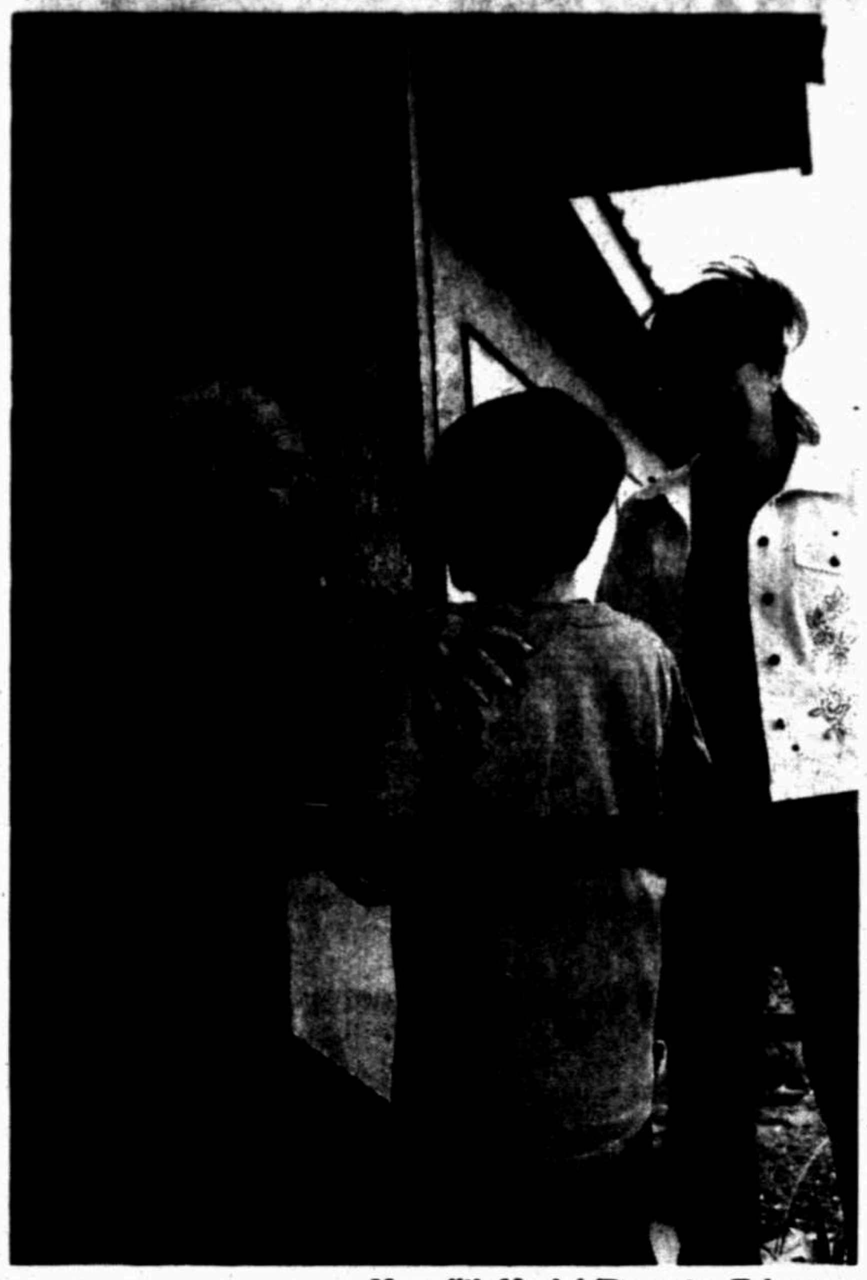

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Meals on Wheels client Tammye Conner talks with Bynum School student Evan McKinney on Thursday morning during a Meals on Wheels delivery. A retired teacher, Conner said she loves visiting with the students.

Meredith Moriak/Reporter-Telegram

Bynum School student Heather Ganaway and teacher Linda Brown count bags to ensure they have a drink and dessert for every client on their Meals on Wheels route Thursday morning at the MOW kitchen. Brown and her seven students deliver meals to about 10 clients a week.

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FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Cupcake Wars		Cupcake Wars		Chopped		Chopped (N)		Chopped		Chopped	
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USA	26	30	42	27	49	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Bang"		Law & Order: S.V.U. "Delinquent"		Law & Order: S.V.U. "Smoked"		White Collar "Stealing Home" (N)		Royal P "Hank and the Deep Blue Sea"		Law & Order: S.V.U. "Penetration"	
VERSUS	38	39				NHL Live! (L)		NHL Hockey Detroit Red Wings vs. Chicago Blackhawks (L)					NHL Live!	NBC Sports Talk		Overtime	Poker
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Florida set for new cuts in spending on colleges

N.Y. Times News Service

MIAMI — Florida lawmakers contend that education is essential to high-wage jobs in the state, but the Legislature is again expected to slash millions of dollars from the budget for higher education and may usher in another round of tuition increases.

A proposal in the House would reduce state financing by nearly $250 million next year and would allow universities to increase tuition by as little as 8 percent and as much as 15 percent. A measure in the Senate would cut more than $500 million and would allow smaller institutions that are defined as colleges to raise tuition by 3 percent (the full-scale universities would not be permitted to raise tuition).

The cuts in Florida began four years ago and have continued unabated. Since 2008, state spending on education has dropped by 24 percent and is now at 2003 levels. Meanwhile, universities have raised tuition every year, putting many students in a financial bind. Florida's 11 public universities have been raising tuition 15 percent a year for the past four years, and some of them for five years, although they still rank among the least expensive in the nation.

Forty-one states cut higher education spending last year, from 1 percent in Indiana and North Carolina to 41 percent in New Hampshire, according to a recent study conducted by the Illinois State University Center for the Study of Higher Education and the State Higher Education Executive Officers group.

Eduardo J. Padron, the president of Miami Dade College, said the cuts in higher education spending in Florida were short-sighted.

"At a time when institutions are growing and trying to serve a lot of students who realized that the only way to become a part of the middle class is by getting a college education, the state continues to disinvest in education," said Padron, whose college has country's largest enrollment (not including online schools) and graduates the most blacks and Hispanics. "There should be no question that at this point in America today, investment in higher education is paramount."

Gov. Rick Scott, who in 2011 sought steep spending cuts to public schools, changed course this year. Calling a good education the "bedrock of any sound, sustainable economy," Scott pushed to increase spending on public elementary, junior high and high schools next year by $1 billion, a move that would come close to making up the $1.3 billion cut last year.

But he did not include additional money for universities and colleges, although he did not advocate any reductions, either.

Obama takes tougher stance on higher education

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Access to college has been the driving force in federal higher education policy for decades. But, the Obama administration is pushing a fundamental agenda shift that aggressively brings a new question into the debate: What are people getting for their money?

Students with loans are graduating on average with more than $25,000 in debt. The federal government pours $140 billion annually into federal grants and loans. Unemployment remains high, yet there are projected shortages in many industries with some high-tech companies already complaining about a lack of highly trained workers.

Meanwhile, literacy among college students has declined in the last decade, according to a commission convened during the George W. Bush administration that said American higher education has become "increasingly risk-averse, at times self-satisfied, and unduly expensive." About 40 percent of college students at four-year schools aren't graduating, and in two-year programs, only about 40 percent of students graduate or transfer, according to the policy and analysis group College Measures.

College drop-outs are expensive, and not just for the individual. About a fifth of full-time students who enroll at a community college do not return for a second year, costing taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars annually, according to an analysis released last fall by the American Institutes for Research.

There's been a growing debate over whether post-secondary schools should be more transparent about the cost of an education and the success of graduates. President Barack Obama has weighed in with a strong "yes."

During his State of the Union address, Obama put the higher education on notice: "If you can't stop tuition from going up, the funding you get from taxpayers will go down," he said. "Higher education can't be a luxury— it's an economic imperative that every family in America should be able to afford."

He wants to slightly reduce federal aid for schools that don't control tuition costs and shift it to those that do. He also has proposed an $8 billion program to train community college students for high-growth industries that would provide financial incentives to programs that ensured their trainees find work. Both proposals need congressional approval.

At the same time, the administration is developing both a "scorecard" for use in comparing school statistics such as graduation rates as well as a "shopping sheet" students would receive from schools they applied to with estimates of how much debt they might graduate with and estimated future payments on student loans.

American's higher education system has long been the backbone of much of the nation's success, and there's no doubt that a college degree is valuable. It's now projected that students with a bachelor's degree will earn a million more dollars over their lifetime than students with only a high school diploma, Education Secretary Arne Duncan says.

But, Obama's statement to Congress jolted the higher education establishment, which believes that college isn't just to create foot soldiers for industry and that the use of measured outcomes would hurt the humanities, meaning fewer students will turn to Shakespeare and instead study engineering, said Anthony Carnevale, director of the Center on Education and the Workforce at Georgetown University.

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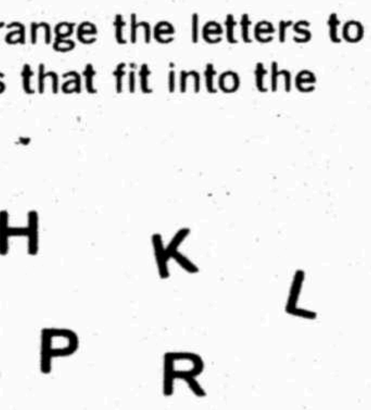

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ABOVE: Sloan Munden, 8, colors an Irish flag as Maddie Lindsey, 9, and Journi Garza, 8, listen to Leisha Munden talk about why Scottish people wear kilts Monday during the annual Thinking Day event at Girl Scouts of the Desert Southwest. **LEFT:** Celtic Heritage Society member Clint Adams leans over to let Hannah Toscano, 6, feel the air as it flows through the bagpipes during the event

Photos by Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

SCOUTS

From 1B

"They wear kilts but also use them as hats and blankets," Abby said.

She also enjoyed getting a fortune cookie from the troop representing China.

"It was my first Thinking Day and (it was) very interesting," Abby said. "I've never done one before, but it was fun to explore different countries."

Danaee Sanchez, 7, of Andrews, ended up trying new foods during the event. Never having had a spring roll before, she didn't know what to expect.

However, Sanchez said she liked the spring roll and chicken from the troop representing China.

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Leaving 'No Child' behind carries a risk

WILLIAM MCKENZIE
Dallas Morning News

Schools across America now have entered a new era. After four years of a stalled debate over renewing the No Child Left Behind Act, the Obama administration has set sail from the accountability law.

The president announced last week that 10 states no longer will be bound by some provisions of the bipartisan measure that was passed under President George W. Bush in 2001. Look for more states to join them.

Will this new course work?

We better hope it does.

The school accountability movement started about 20 years ago because of a growing concern among civil rights leaders and business executives that campuses were leaving behind poor and minority students. If we retreat from the movement's driving force, which resulted in No Child, poor minority kids one day will wonder why the rest of us abandoned them.

But here we are, so what's the best way to look at the administration's moves? Let's start with the positives:

The White House isn't fully cutting loose those 10 states. They still must test their students. They must show whether the students are on a path that prepares them for college or a good career. And they must come up with better ways to evaluate teachers and principals.

Each requirement matters. The rules keep the pressure on those states to know how well their students are achieving. They create expectations for college or a decent job. And, they emphasize quality teaching and school leadership.

That human capital part especially matters. School districts need better ways to assess their principals and teachers other than through cursory reviews. In return, they also must be willing to help teachers develop their skills.

Teachers may not like the emphasis on more precise evaluations. But there's a blessing in disguise for the struggling teacher: Evaluations that better spotlight shortcomings can lead to relevant training.

Here's another part to like: The states must be clear about how they plan to assess students, focus on college-readiness and good jobs, and evaluate teachers. In Colorado's waiver request, for example, the state gets detailed about how and when the state will execute better evaluations.

But here are two parts to worry about, and worry about a lot:

Will the feds enforce these waivers? If a state doesn't comply, will Washington really yank its exemption? To put it another way, what will it take for the Education Department to intervene?

Everyone's saying the right thing now. But what about in a few years, especially if the White House grants more waivers?

And what if the Obama administration isn't around in a year? Will a Republican enforce these? I wouldn't bet on it, because as many Republicans as Democrats are retreating from the federal oversight of No Child.

If you are the parent of a poor and/or minority child in a failing school, you especially should fret about this change: Most states winning the waivers no longer must break apart their testing data to show how well students did according to their race, income and ethnicity. The "disaggregation of data" was one of No Child's beauties because it required states to report how well students in various groups performed.

The waivers would let states lump students together when reporting testing data. The risk is that schools could mask the problems some students are having in learning at grade level.

This revision drew a swift complaint from African-American blogger RiShawn Biddle. On his Dropout Nation blog, he blasted the administration for letting states and districts off the hook for the testing data of poor minority students.

So did the Education Trust, an organization that advocates for low-income children. It liked some parts of the Obama proposal, but questioned dropping the reporting requirement.

No Child undoubtedly needed some reworking. But the White House felt it must go in a different direction. The onus for making sure all kids progress is now upon those who have sailed us into this new era.

Pelosi praises George H.W. Bush at Texas school

By Michael Graczyk
Associated Press

COLLEGE STATION — House Democratic leader Nancy Pelosi praised George H.W. Bush as she spoke Monday evening on potentially hostile turf at the former president's government school at conservative-leaning Texas A&M University.

"It's a great privilege to spend President's Day with President George Bush," Pelosi said to applause. "His name and his presidency are synonymous with the word 'civility.'"

Pelosi called the Republican Bush a "strong president, confident to speak of a kinder, gentler America." And she hailed him for his work with former President Bill Clinton, raising money for disaster recovery in Haiti and in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina and the Pacific tsunami. She also complimented his courage to skydive while in his 80s.

The California liberal was greeted warmly by an overflow crowd of more than 600 people at the College Station school. Her appearance was billed as a conversation, with Andrew Card, acting dean of the George H.W. Bush School of Government and Public Service, as moderator. Card was deputy chief of staff during Bush's White House years and chief of staff when Bush's son, George W. Bush, was president.

The elder Bush, who invited Pelosi, arrived through a side door at the front of the auditorium riding a motorized chair. He did not speak at the event. He and his wife, Barbara, watched from the front row.

Pelosi, 71, lost her post as the nation's first female House speaker when the GOP took over the House in the 2010 elections.

Her first full House term coincided with the elder Bush's election as president in 1988. Beginning 12 years later, when George W. Bush was in the White House, she was in the Democratic leadership during much of his two terms. In 2008 as his second term wound down, Pelosi described the younger Bush as "a total failure" who had lost all credibility with the American people.

No such animosity was expressed during Monday's hourlong event.

Pelosi said during George H.W. Bush's term, she and other House members always believed they were getting a "fair shake."

She said the elder Bush and Card "led with a level of civility that taught us a lot and that we miss."

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Robotics teams advance to Panhandle Championships

The Midland High School and Lee High School First Tech Challenge Robotics teams competed in the Panhandle Plains Regional Qualifier Feb. 4 in Lubbock.

MHS' Junkyard Dogs team received the Inspire Award and members were overall game winners. The Bodacious Dawgs team received the Think Award and members were Alliance winners.

LHS' GearHeads and Robo Junkies teams made it to the Alliance elimination playoff rounds.

Junkyard Dogs, Bodacious Dawgs and and GearHeads will advance to the Panhandle Championships on March 3. Teams that win on March 3 advance to the Worlds FTC competition in St. Louis on April 25, said Curt Cowdrey, MISD junior high school robotics coordinator.

During the competitions, teams use Lego Tetrix and Mindstorm NXT kits to design, build, program and run robots. Students design robots for specific functions that they execute to gain points. Teams also give interviews in order to demonstrate design process, thinking ability, sponsorship and community involvement.

EDUCATIONINBRIEF

FROM STAFF REPORTS

UT system launches online degree program

SAN ANTONIO — The University of Texas System is advancing its efforts to help adults complete their college degrees by launching a new program — Finish@UT.

The program offers students a way to complete undergraduate degrees through three of the UT system's institutions: a bachelor of science in university studies at the University of Texas at Arlington, a bachelor of multidisciplinary studies through the University of Texas at El Paso or a bachelor of arts in humanities through the University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

The program allows students to combine classes from all three institutions to earn accredited four-year bachelor degrees. All coursework is done online.

To encourage potential students statewide to finish their degrees, Finish@UT is conducting a video contest inviting Texas residents to submit a short video showcasing why it is important for them to complete their degree, why they want to return and what a degree from a UT institution would mean to them. Three entrants will win up to $20,000 in scholarship funds to be applied to tuition for the Finish@UT program. The deadline to enter is March 16.

For more information, visit www.FinishAtUT.org.

Sul Ross to unveil official school ring

ALPINE — Sul Ross State University will be unveiling on Thursday the official school ring that will be worn by undergraduate students, graduate students and alumni.

The new ring program is sponsored by the Sul Ross Alumni Association and University Bookstore.

Students and alumni who order their rings Thursday or Friday will receive their rings during a ceremony planned for end of the spring semester.

For more information, call 432-837-8697.

Former major leaguer to speak at dinner

HOBBS, N.M. — Former major league pitcher Jim Abbott is to be the keynote speaker at the University of the Southwest's 2012 Free Enterprise Dinner, set for 6 p.m. April 24 at the Jack & Mabel Maddox Student Life Center.

Jeffrey Zaslow, Wall Steet Journal writer and author, originally was scheduled to speak at the event, but he died Feb. 10 from injuries he sustained in a car crash in Michigan.

Abbott, who was born without a right hand, pitched for the gold medal Olympic team in 1988 and played for 10 seasons on four different big league teams before retiring in 1999.

Tickets are $50. For more information, contact Laurie Dean, director of development operations, at 575-492-2108 or ldean@usw.edu.

Alamo JH to host event for positive peer relationships

Alamo Junior High School will host a "Peace, Love, Scouts" Night at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, at the campus, 3800 W. Storey Ave.

Students in the National Junior Honor Society will perform a skit, and two teachers will give a presentation.

Alamo students and their parents are encouraged to attend to explore strategies for maintaining positive peer relationships, Leslie Truax, Alamo teacher, said. Young people benefit from learning to recognize and encourage constructive interactions, she said.

ESSAYS

From 6B

reimbursement rates from insurance companies are upsettingly different from that of other Caucasian doctors, and just like the African-American doctors in the 1950's hospital privileges are hard to come by. To Dr. Waggoner it was shockingly obvious that boards of major hospitals and physician groups were predominately controlled by white males. Her race was not the only means of discrimination for Dr. Waggoner though. Not only did she receive less respect for being African American, Dr. Waggoner was also given fewer opportunities because she was a woman. Soon after becoming a doctor she realized that to be taken seriously, female physicians were expected to look frumpy and unkempt. For many of her colleagues, it was unfathomable that Dr. Waggoner wore lipstick and could ever have been a Dallas Cowboys Cheerleader. Today Dr. Waggoner tries to actively put an end of the discrimination of minorities and women in the medical world by encouraging these populations to pursue education.

Doctors who are minorities though are not the only people who are the recipients of prejudice in doctor's offices and hospitals, the patients are as well. South Texas Medical center where Dr. Waggoner serves as director, has made it its mission to help solve the problem of minorities not having access to quality healthcare. To Dr. Waggoner it was alarming at how much higher the obesity rates and mortality rates for chronic diseases for minorities were. She makes it her responsibility to take the mystery out of medicine and to provide the best quality of healthcare to people who otherwise would not receive it. ...

One cause that has always been near and dear to Dr. Waggoner's heart is the health of men. After the early death of her grandfather, it became apparent to Dr. Waggoner men weren't getting quality healthcare. This was mostly due to the fact that men are less willing to see a doctor when they're sick to protect their "macho" image. Only three percent of the patients who walk into her office are men. To Dr. Waggoner it's imperative that men understand they don't only need to see a doctor when they're sick, but they need to see a doctor in order to stay well. Between the ages of 18-29 are the critical years when problems with high blood pressure, cholesterol, blood sugar, and testicular cancer can be detected and taken care of to prevent further health problems that can be fatal. The health of women is something we talk about frequently and openly, but men's health issues seem to fall through the cracks. Dr. Waggoner has made it her mission to see that the issue of men's health is made public. ...

Even with her challenging beginnings, Dr. Waggoner never let her circumstances deter her dream of becoming a doctor. Her hard work and perseverance throughout her life has helped alter the opinions of African-American women in the medical community from negative to positive. Her refusal to accept the discrimination she incurred paved the way for future doctors who are minorities or women. She's given not only better health care, time and love to the Dallas, Texas, community but is also leaving behind a powerful legacy. Through her work as a doctor and philanthropist Dr. Waggoner has positively affected the lives of thousands of minorities, health of women, men, and children, and families in the Metroplex.

SCHOOLCALENDAR

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Feb. 18
FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) Workshop, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Midland College ATC, Room 136; open to the public (bring 2011 IRS 1040 and W-2 forms); for more information, contact Latisha Williams director of Financial Aid at MC, 685-5511, lwill@midland.edu.

Feb. 20
Holiday: Midland ISD, Midland Christian School, Trinity School, Midland Academy Charter School, Midland Classical Academy

Bad weather makeup day: Greenwood ISD

Feb. 23
Family Informational Fair: 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Rusk Elementary School — Information will be available from city and county agencies and about MISD programs.

March 12-19, 2012
Spring break

March 22
Cowan Performing Arts Series presents The 5 Browns —"classical music's First Family of Piano Virtuosos" — 7 p.m., Chaparral Center

March 29
UTPB Shepperd Distinguished Lecture Series: Mary Matalin and James Carville Moderated by: Evan Smith, Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center

April 6
Holiday: Midland ISD (bad weather makeup day)

April 6 and 9
Holiday: Midland Christian School, Trinity School, Midland Classical Academy

April 24
Davidson Distinguished Lecture Series presents Fareed Zakaria, foreign policy adviser, columnist and television host, 7 p.m., Chaparral Center

May 28
Memorial Day holiday: Midland ISD

Graduations
- Midland High School and Lee High School, June 2
- Greenwood High School, May 25
- Trinity School, May 25
- Midland Christian School, May 25
- Midland Classical Academy, May 5
- Midland College, May 11
- University of Texas of the Permian Basin, May 12

Meetings schedule
MISD's board of trustees typically meet at 5:30 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month. Meetings take place in the first floor board room at 615 W. Missouri Ave.

Midland College's board of trustees typically meet at 4 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month. Meetings take place in the Gibson Board room in the Administration Building.

Greenwood ISD's board of trustees typically meet at 7:30 p.m. on the second Monday of each month. Meetings take place in the Distance Learning Center at Greenwood High School.

Oklahoma tribe distributes $3 million to schools

Associated Press

TAHLEQUAH, Okla. — The Cherokee Nation has distributed nearly $3 million to public schools in northeastern Oklahoma.

More than $179,000 was given to Tulsa schools, about $175,212 went to schools in Tahlequah and $109,903 went to Muskogee schools on Monday as part of the tribe's annual Public Schools Appreciation Day.

The tribe enacted a law in 2002 mandating that 38 percent of tax revenue from the sale of Cherokee Nation vehicle tags must go to education.

The funding, given as grants, totaled $2.99 million.

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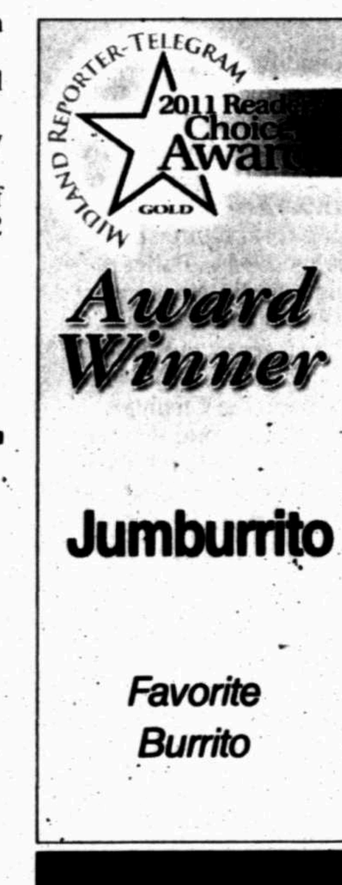
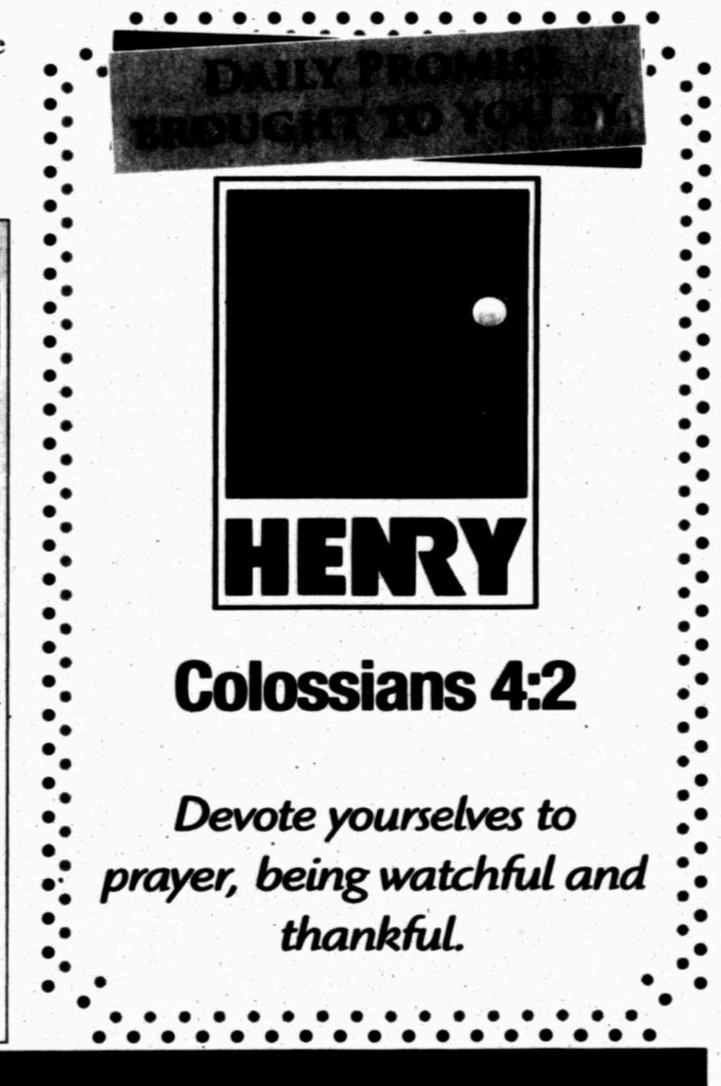




Student essays

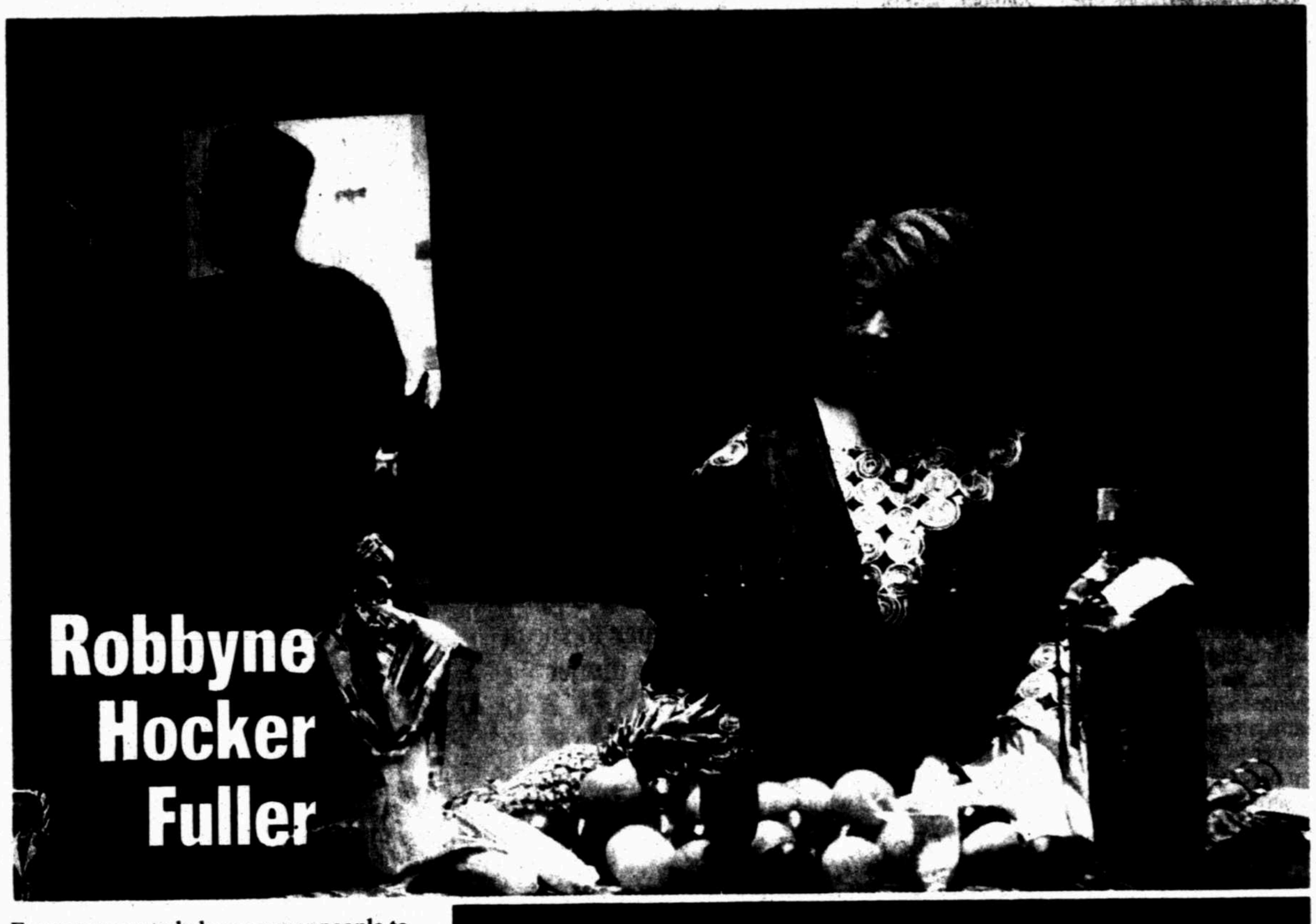
'TIDBITS OF HISTORY'

The following round of student essays was submitted by James Fuller to help the Reporter-Telegram celebrate Black History Month. The essays, like the ones that appeared last week, were entries in the annual Barbara Jordan Historical Essay Competition, which brings attention to notable African-Americans making a difference in Midland, West Texas and the state of Texas.

Fuller said Midland ISD students have seen success in the contest over the years.

"We've had students who've done a good job of unearthing tidbits of history," he said.

We have provided excerpts of three essays that were written before this year. In their original form, they included certain bibliography notes. Those have been taken out for the purpose of this presentation.



Robbyne Hocker Fuller

"Robbyne Hocker Fuller: Visionary in the Hood"

By Cora Drozd

On Thanksgiving morning in 1957, 11-year-old Robbyne Hocker moved to the small community of Midland, Texas, where she has since exemplified the characteristics of a "visionary in the hood." Robbyne Hocker Fuller is most accurately described as a "visionary in the hood" because she has served the African American community in Midland for over half a century, enriching the community with her natural gifts. Perhaps the most important of these gifts is her special ability to see her community's needs through a broad picture of what she believes an ideal community should be. Mrs. Fuller "always dreamed of being a person that could branch out and do something to help the community." Her father noticed her gift as a visionary at a young age. "My father used to say that he'd see me standing outside, and I'd just be looking up. And I guess then, that's what was happening." Through these visions, Robbyne Hocker Fuller has dedicated her life to community service.

Robbyne Hocker Fuller's "vision for the hood" in Midland, Texas, is simply defined as a vibrant African American community, one which is unified through the strengthening of its businesses, cultural arts, and its churches. With tireless energy, Mrs. Fuller has spent decades working to achieve this "ideal" community. Her personal goal for the "hood" is to facilitate an environment where the businesses, arts and churches thrive and mutually support one another. The result is that Midland, Texas, is enriched by her leadership and the cooperation of its residents and their organizations. Robbyne Hocker Fuller is a gifted visionary who sees her community for its possibilities. No one could have predicted on that Thanksgiving morning in 1957 that an optimistic 11-year-old girl with a dream to achieve success would have such a notable affect on the African American community of Midland, Texas in the years to come. ...

Robbyne was educated at Carver Junior Senior High School, the African American junior and senior high created in Midland during the period of segregation. As a proud Carver "Hornet" Robbyne was voted "Miss Homecoming." According to her high school English teacher, Mamie Williams, Robbyne was a very independent thinker. She was very determined, yet very humble and honest. Marcia Cleaver, a family friend, describes Robbyne as very outgoing. These traits prove why Mrs. Fuller has such a strong voice in the community today.

After graduating from high school, Robbyne attended San Angelo College for a short time until leaving due to limited financial support. At that time, many African Americans in Midland worked as domestics; however, Robbyne aspired for a different type of job. "She was always having a vision of being something more than what we grew up to be," claims her sister Rosla. Therefore, Robbyne went to visit a former Carver principal, Mr. Samuel Taylor, who knew of a job opportunity in real estate. He told her, "You know, Hocker, you can do anything you want to do, so why don't you go over there and talk to them? They want a man, but I think you can do the job." Robbyne was interviewed and given the job of showing houses but without a real estate license, her competitors complained, causing her to be removed from that job. She worked as a secretary until she passed the licensing exam to become the first African American female in Midland to sell real estate. Robbyne often faced discrimination because other race and gender; however, she remained persistent. "Do you let that stop you, or do you move forward? You move forward. You don't ever let anybody tell you that you can't do something. If you know you can, you do it." ...

As a visionary, Mrs. Fuller believes that every community requires cooperation between businesses, cultural arts and churches. She finds the needs in each of these areas of a community and builds upon them to bring her vision fan ideal community to reality. For example, Mrs. Fuller believes that small businesses are the backbone of any community, and that African Americans specifically need to start their own businesses. Twenty-five years ago, Mrs. Fuller decided that Midland really needed a way of helping the African American businesses. She wanted people to understand the meaning of entrepreneurialism. Consequently, she founded the Midland Black Chamber of Entrepreneurs to help empower people to start their own businesses. Recently however, Mrs. Fuller changed the name of the original chamber to the Midland African American Entrepreneurs Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Fuller is an inspirational example of an entrepreneur and incorporates entrepreneurialism into everything she does, having started several business ventures. She claims that her father was the primary influence in enabling her to become an entrepreneur, because he was an entrepreneur who led by example. After working long hours as a cook at a local restaurant and hotel, Mr. Hocker would come home to pursue his own business as a television repairman. He was completely self-taught and hardworking; he exemplified all the characteristics of what a successful entrepreneur should be. Mr. Hocker provided the impetus for Robbyne to pursue her entrepreneurial goals: Because of this, Mrs. Fuller has never failed to pursue a new business.

Ten years after founding the Chamber, Mrs. Fuller decided that the needs of the African American Community were still not met. While the Chamber dealt strictly with business, there was not a great representation of the African American culture in Midland. Believing that culture and business go hand in hand, Mrs. Fuller founded the Midland African American Roots Historical/Cultural Arts Council, Inc., in an attempt to preserve and present the African American culture in Midland, Texas. Originally through the Chamber, Mrs. Fuller brought multiple premier performing arts companies to Midland. However, the Chamber was unable to continue to support such cultural ventures. There was a significant need for a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization to receive funding for these special events in the community, and Mrs. Fuller determined that the Cultural Council was the answer.

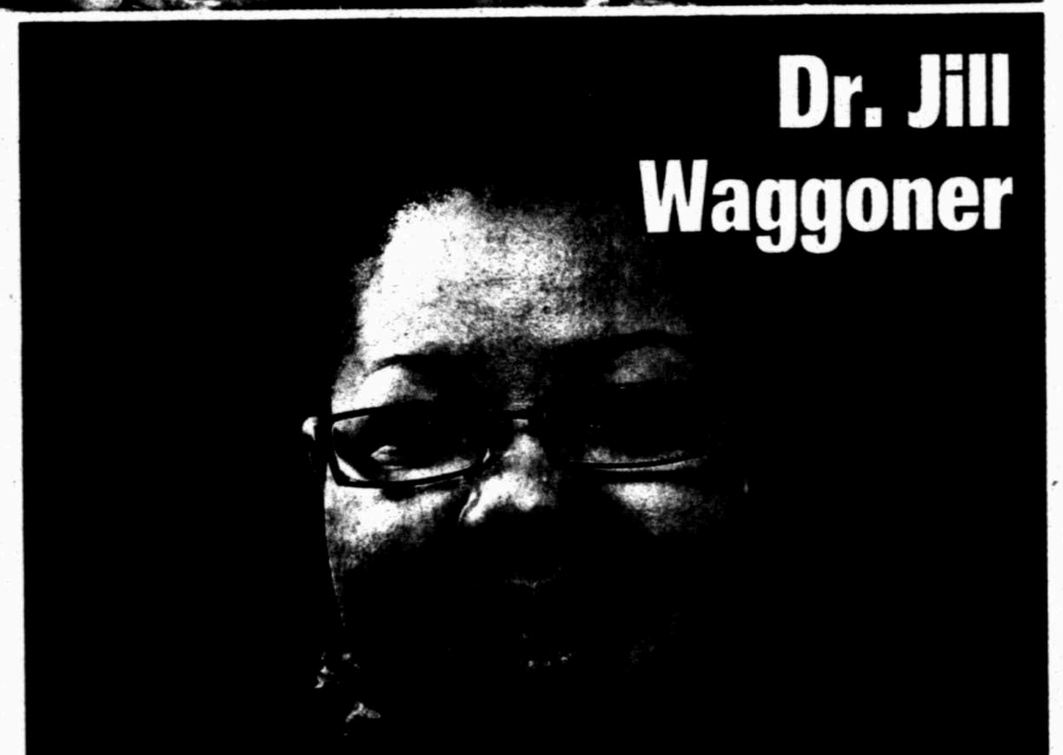
Mrs. Fuller has always had a distinct passion for the performing arts. As a former dancer, she has made a valiant effort to share this passion with her community through presentations of African American dance companies such as Alvin Ailey, Les Ballets Africans, as well as Dayton Contemporary Dance Company. Mrs. Fuller believes that it is cultural events like these that unify a community. In addition to the African Americans who have an appreciation for these performing arts companies, all community members can appreciate these quality performances. "Even though our community did not know who Ailey was and had never seen them, they came out dressed in their best mink coats and shoes." After a sold-out show, Mrs. Fuller realized the impact this simple preservation of culture had on the community.

She has since been able to bring Alvin Ailey three more times, and is preparing to bring Ailey again in the coming year. She has also featured musical artists such as Preservation Hall Jazz Band, as well as the jazz musicians Tom Braxton and Brad Leali.

The third aspect of community that Mrs. Fuller attempts to bridge with business and the arts is its churches. She believes that all of these sectors build upon one another to create a functioning community. "If people don't have money, they can't pay their church dues, or their tithes, and if they don't have a job, or a business, then they can't go to cultural events. So why not try to branch out and have a vision to bring all of these things together?" Mrs. Fuller and her husband James are certified Lay Ministers in the United Methodist Church. Both are heavily involved in their church, developing ministries within the church in hopes to trigger even greater community development. ...

Finally, Mrs. Fuller's community involvement is contagious. She entertains new ideas and always has an eye on educating others, emphasizing cultural arts, as well as entrepreneurialism. According to Marcia Cleaver, a close friend of Mrs. Fuller, "Robbyne has always been a go-getter. It's just gotten better with time!" Mrs. Fuller believes that it is not materialism that makes one happy, it is community outreach. "Because whenever you help people, you can never help anybody without helping yourself."

"It is obvious, based on her track record, that she is looking at not how the community is now, but how it can be improved in the future. We were put here on this earth to help people. We need to leave the community better than we found it."



Dr. Jill Waggoner

"Lipstick and Pom-Poms: Dr. Jill Waggoner's Quest to Change the Texas Medical Community"

By Chloe' Adams

Martin Luther King Jr. once proclaimed, "Human progress is neither automatic nor inevitable. Every step towards the goal of justice requires sacrifice, suffering, and struggle; the tireless exertions and passionate concern of dedicated individuals." Unfortunately, in our society there is proclivity among people to simply give in to societal pressure and not to fight for what they believe is right. It is easier to sit back and accept the injustices of our society than to stand up and fight against them. One person who everyday goes against this established social behavior and resists racism is Dr. Jill Waggoner. Through her work as a doctor and philanthropist, Dr. Waggoner has positively affected the lives of minorities, by advocating better health care for minorities in the Dallas, Texas area. ...

As a young child Dr. Waggoner watched as Dr. King, Rosa Parks and Thurgood Marshall lead the Civil Rights Movement, and she was inspired by their hard work and determination to bring equality to all races. Despite the tumult of this time period and the challenges that faced her as a young African-American girl, Dr. Waggoner displayed a love for medicine. Most children at this time when asked what they wanted to be replied with such responses as a princess, president, or cowboy; when prompted to tell her desired career a young Dr. Waggoner would reply, a doctor. With this response most adults would chuckle and tell her women weren't doctors, they were nurses. One person who did not respond in this way was her grandfather. When most parents in the sixties were buying their little girls nurse's outfits for Christmas, Dr. Waggoner's grandfather showed his support for her dream by buying her a doctor's costume complete with its own doctor bag. When she was 10 years old, her determination to become a doctor and to help other people was intensified with her grandfather's death. Losing her beloved grandfather inspired her to make sure everyone received quality healthcare and that no one had to lose a loved one because of neglect from the medical community.

Upon graduating from high school in 1978, Dr. Waggoner went to Bishop College in Dallas, Texas, and majored in premed studies. Dr. Waggoner was no regular student though. Unlike most of her classmates who went to lectures, hung out with friends, and received most of their notoriety from campus gossip, "Jill Waggoner" was a becoming a household name to Dallas Cowboys football fans. From the years 1977 to 1979 Dr. Waggoner would don the white shorts for the Sunday football games and travel the world as a Dallas Cowboys Cheerleader. To Dr. Waggoner the experience was surreal. One day she'd be in a foreign county with hundreds of people lined up to meet her, receive autograph or even touch her; when she returned home she was just a regular college student. ...

Upon becoming a member of the medical community Dr. Waggoner became increasingly aware of the racism that follows African-American doctors. Hospital privileges were not allowed to African American doctors. Hospital privileges were not allowed to African American doctors until 1954 in Dallas, Texas. Still quality equipment and facilities were hard to come by even in today's society, discrimination towards African American doctors is still there. Although the prejudice against black doctors is subtle, it is there none the less. Physician's groups are neither warm nor welcoming,

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Sports

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Midland College's Alexis Kelley (23) and Western Texas College's Miranda Grier (22) go for a rebound Monday during their game at Chaparral Center.

Lady Chaps roll past Western Texas

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

Alexis Kelley is finally feeling and looking close to her old self again, and that could mean good things for the Midland College women's basketball team going forward.

Kelley was just short of a double-double Monday night with 14 points and nine rebounds to help the Lady Chaparrals overcome some ugly moments in a 75-50 victory over Western Texas College at Chaparral Center.

Lady Chaps	75
Lady Westerners	50

The Lady Chaps (22-6, 8-2 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference) overcame shooting 38 percent and 16 turnovers by holding Western Texas (14-12, 3-6) to just 23 percent shooting and outrebounding a smaller Lady Westerner team 65-30.

"We struggled a little more mentally than I would have liked us to, but we'll keep working," MC coach Ron Jones said. "For about 30 minutes of the game, I thought (the defense) was really good. They weren't getting anything around the basket and all they were scoring were jump shots. That changed a little bit at the end. I think we looked at the scoreboard and got a little bored, and I'm disappointed in that."

Added Kelley, "Going back to (Sunday's) practice I don't think our energy was up and we kind of had an off practice. I thought we did well in the game, but we know that in the next two games we're going to have to get our intensity up and keep that same intensity when we go to regionals."

In addition to Kelley's night, Lindsay Ansley, Nety Sousa and Darnetta Jackson each scored 10 points, while Achiri Ade had a game-high 11 rebounds to go with her six points for the Lady Chaps, who stayed a 1/2 game back of first place New Mexico Junior College and a game ahead of third place Odessa College in the WJCAC standings.

Kelley paced the Lady Chaps with eight points in an ugly first half that saw both teams struggle with their shooting touch and MC taking a 31-16 lead at the break.

Kelley was following up her nice performance in last Thursday's 69-58 overtime victory at Howard College when she scored all 12 of her points in the second half and helped the Lady Chaps overcome a 10-point deficit.

Having Kelley become more of a solid and consistent contributor is nice for Jones and the Lady Chaps to see after watching her sit out last year to recover from a severe right knee injury prior to the season.

"Since she redshirted last year, it had been almost two years since she had played," Jones said. "It's just taken her a little longer to get back and get in a rhythm a little bit. I think she's coming along pretty good."

Kelley, the 6-foot-2 redshirt freshman from Dallas Skyline, said after going through rehabilitation last year, it was a tough road back but is feeling more

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Double-double machine

Johnson's contributions grow throughout the season

By Jordan Mason
Sports Writer

Jarrod Johnson is honest when it comes to being left off the varsity team as a junior last season — the experience was disappointing to say the least.

"Really (disappointing)," Johnson said.

But heading into a bi-district playoff matchup with Arlington Martin at 7:30 today at Tuscola Jim Ned, Johnson has come into his own in his first season at the varsity level.

"I think he's gone from being, first half of district, sort of an average player to stepping out and being one of the best players in the district," Lee coach Mark Coffman said.

For Johnson, this season has been a nice end to his basketball career at Lee, even though he admits he wasn't as happy when nine seniors playing varsity left him on the junior varsity team last season.

"We've got sophomores that are on varsity now that, when they're seniors, they're going to be great," Johnson said. "If we would've played varsity our sophomore and junior year, there's no telling where we'd be at now."

Fellow senior Tavi Hubbard was right there with Johnson on junior varsity, and the two responded to the disappointment by becoming the top two scorers on the team.

But even with Hubbard leading the team in scoring, Coffman said Johnson stood out.

"He's the one that we went to when we needed a basket," Coffman said, "he was the best inside player."

That Johnson was able to become that player at 6-foot-2 was a sign of his potential on the court. And he only got better and better as the season went on.

"From the start of the JV season last year to the end of the JV season," Coffman said, "I think Jarrod

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Lee vs. Arlington Martin

- **What:** Class 5A bi-district playoffs
- **When:** 7:30 p.m. today
- **Where:** Jim Ned HS, Tuscola

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Lee's Jarrod Johnson (11) goes up for a bucket during a Jan. 10 game against San Angelo Central at Chaparral Center. Lee plays Arlington Martin tonight.

Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

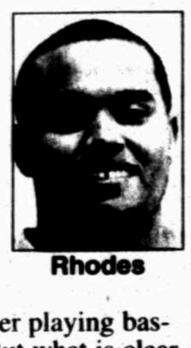
Midland High's Stevie Rhodes, right, attempts to block Lee's Jordan Williams (32) shot on Jan. 24 during their game at Chaparral Center.

Rhodes makes his big body an asset on the hardwood

By Jordan Mason
Sports Writer

Stevie Rhodes understands that a player his size gets painted into a corner on the hardwood.

At 6-foot-3, 299 pounds Rhodes looks like he belongs on a defensive line — largely because he is a defensive tackle on the gridiron.



Rhodes

But Midland High coach Justin Hardin warns not to be fooled by Rhodes' size or his prowess in the trenches.

"He's a basketball player trapped in a defensive tackle's body," Hardin said.

Whether Rhodes is a basketball player playing football or a football player playing basketball is up for debate. But what is clear — as Midland High prepares to take on North Crowley in the bi-distrit round of the Class 5A playoffs — is that the same traits that help Rhodes excel on the gridiron are the same ones that help him on the court.

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Midland High vs. No. 6 North Crowley

- **What:** Class 5A bi-district playoffs
- **When:** 7:30 p.m. today
- **Where:** Clyde High School

Greenwood's Urias wants to 'play like crazy'

By Jonathan Hull
Sports Writer

Just go crazy.

It's a state of mind Greenwood senior Edgar Urias likes to utilize on the basketball floor, and it's a type of focus Urias' coach encourages.

The Rangers (23-10) hope Urias can go crazy enough to help lead them to victory when they open the Class 3A playoffs with a bi-district matchup against Clint Mountain View (14-15) at 7:30 p.m. today at Fort Stockton High School gym.

Urias

But Greenwood coach Jay Ray isn't really too worried about Urias finding a way to contribute on the floor. That's because the senior guard is determined to find a way to chip in no matter what the circumstances may be.

Greenwood vs. Clint Mountain View

- **What:** Class 3A bi-district playoffs
- **When:** 7:30 p.m. today
- **Where:** Fort Stockton High School

"My role is to do what coach tells me and that's play like crazy," Urias said. "Whether that's on defense being everywhere I can or if I'm having a good night on offense then that's where it's going to be. Pretty much where ever I can help out. Where ever coach plugs me I'm going to do my best."

Ray describes Urias — a three-year starter at Greenwood — as a catalyst for what the Rangers do on both ends of the floor. The senior guard is leading the Rangers in scoring this season with 8.7 points per game, but is averaging around 6 points per game over the last couple of weeks. But that hasn't prevented him from continuing to make a huge difference.

"Edgar has been a staple in our program for the last three years," Ray said. "He plays the game the right way. He's a team player who always looks to do whatever he can do to make his teammates successful.

"He's the catalyst defensively and the catalyst offensively. Even when he's not scoring, he's doing other things correctly, getting other players involved. He's one of those guys you have to game plan around, even if he's not scoring."

And while most players want

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Edgar Urias looks to pass the ball during practice earlier this season at Greenwood High School. Greenwood plays Clint Mountain View today in the Class 3A playoffs.

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improved more than any player we had — in the whole program."

Yet Johnson wasn't playing like that at the start of this season, when assistant coach Chris Packer said he had the look of a "deer in the headlights." But Packer, in particular, continued to encourage the senior in practices and in games, trying to bring his potential out of him.

"I hadn't been playing like I can play, and they were just trying to push me to play harder," Johnson said.

"He doesn't realize what all he can do on the court," Packer said. "When he's aggressive and he has that mentality that, 'I'm going to take it upon myself to guard the best player, to attack the glass, to hit the boards…' he can do whatever he wants to do."

That became evident in the second half of district, when Johnson averaged 16.6 points per game — up from 12 points per game on JV — and was a double-double machine, routinely leading the Rebels in scoring and rebounding.

His evolution as a player was on full display in practice Monday, when Packer jumped in on 5-on-5 drills as a defender, looking to slow down Johnson, who seemed to be scoring at will. But the 6-foot-4 Packer, who played at Lee himself, wasn't able to stop Johnson either.

"You saw," Packer said, "he made me look bad."

Hubbard has noticed his teammate's evolution as well.

"(He's) going to the rack more," Hubbard said, "and playing stronger."

And that has helped Lee — a team with only four seniors, all of whom are first-year varsity players — reach the playoffs in a season where they started off 2-11.

Johnson and Hubbard said the success of their first varsity season hasn't sunk in yet. But for Johnson, it's helped the jump from JV to varsity be a welcome one.

"Last year, I didn't really do anything, I wasn't trying to be an offensive weapon," Johnson said. "What's changed this time is (I'm) trying to score, trying to take over."

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TODAY'S HS BASKETBALL

Girls

NO. 9 GARDEN CITY VS. WINK

When/where: 6 p.m. Tuesday, Howard College's Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, Big Spring

Records: Garden City 27-5; Wink 20-7

Last game: Garden City 65, Fort Davis 20; Wink 44, Sterling City 42, OT

Last meeting: Garden City 44, Wink 33 on Dec. 28, 2011.

Notes & Quotes: Garden City has won 15 of its last 18 games, which includes a 44-33 victory against Wink in the Cotton Classic in Lenorah on Dec. 28, 2011. ... Since that loss to Garden City, Wink has won 10 of its last 11 games, including a 44-42 overtime victory against Sterling City on Friday. ... Sterling City is in Garden City's district and the Lady Bearkats swept both of their games against Sterling City this season. First they won, 50-24, on Dec. 16, 2011, but managed a narrow, 40-38, victory in the rematch on Jan. 20. ... Wink is led by senior guard Awbrie Medina, who averages 13.5 points and 4.7 rebounds per game.

Next: Winner plays the winner between Lipan-Throckmorton in a regional semifinals playoff game.

Boys

GREENWOOD VS. CLINT MOUNTAIN VIEW

When/where: 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Fort Stockton High School gym

Records: Greenwood 23-10, Mountain View 14-15

Last game: Odessa Permian 60, Greenwood 56; El Paso Montwood 62, Mountain View 28

Notes & Quotes: Greenwood is making its third straight appearance in the postseason and three players have been around for each season in that span. Senior Edgar Urias and Jacob Armitage and junior Kam Williams bring a wealth of experience to the Rangers. Urias leads the Rangers with 8.9 points, 1.9 assists and 2.7 steals this season. Williams averages 8.7 points and 5.3 rebounds, while Armitage brings in 8.1 points and 6.1 rebounds per game. That experience has Greenwood coach Jay Ray confident in the Rangers' postseason chances. "I feel confident we have the leadership needed to continue to play," Ray said. "We're experienced with the leadership needed to continue a run. Expectations in our locker room are very high. We expect to make a run." ... Mountain View has lost three of its last four games. The Lobos are led by senior Oscar Melendez, who leads them with 9.7 points and 2.9 assists per game. ... Greenwood coach Jay Ray notes both a lack of physical size and a large will to win for Mountain View. "They're not as big as what we've been playing against," Ray said. "They like to put lots of ball pressure on you and they rebound the ball well for a team to not have great size. They play very hard and will run on you if they're able to get turnovers. We have to limit turnovers and keep them from making layups."

Next: Winner plays Dalhart in an area playoff game.

CLASS 3A BI-DISTRICT BIG SPRING VS. NO. 10 BURKBURNETT

When/where: 6 p.m. today, Eastland

Records: Big Spring 15-17; Burkburnett 26-5

Last game: Big Spring 62, Nazareth 61; Burkburnett 80, Vernon 58

Notes: Big Spring gets a tough draw in the 10th-ranked team in the state, after Burkburnett shared a district title with No. 15 Wichita Falls Hirschi but drew the No. 2 seed in the district. Hirschi is the only team to defeat Burkburnett since the Bulldogs lost to No. 7 Dallas Madison on Jan. 6. But the Steers emerged from a competitive district themselves and will be game. .. Big Spring is looking to advance to the area round of the playoffs for the second consecutive year, after defeating Bowie in its playoff opener last season.

Next: Winner will play Mineral Wells in the area round of the Class 3A playoffs; time and date TBD

LEE VS. ARLINGTON MARTIN

When/where: 7:30 p.m. today, Tuscola Jim Ned HS

Records: Lee 13-19, Martin 23-7

Last game: Fabens 52, Lee 51; Martin 56, Fort Worth Paschal 31

Last meeting: Martin 73, Lee 38 on Dec. 9

Notes & Quotes: This game is a rematch of a Dec. 9 meeting in which Martin handed Lee a 35-point defeat in its Tall City Oilman's Tournament. "I hope they're overlooking it," Lee coach Mark Coffman said. This game will be markedly different, however, as Martin will be without Dallas Baptist signee Myles Johnson, who's out for the season with a torn ACL, and Lee is a considerably different team. These Rebels are coming off of a one-point loss to Fabens in a practice game, Lee's first game in over a week. But the Rebels aren't discouraged by the loss, as Fabens is the District 3-3A champion and had won 10 of its last 11 entering the practice game. ... Holding Martin below the 70-point barrier, which Lee didn't do in the first meeting, will be an obvious priority, but the Rebels will have to score better than they did in that first game as well. Scorers Jarrod Johnson and Anthony McCoy will be needed, as will sixth man Tavi Hubbard, who led the Rebels in scoring in their district-finale against Odessa High. ... Lee is looking for its first playoff win since 2008, when it advanced to the Class 5A Region I final before falling to North Crowley.

Next: Winner will play El Paso Hanks or Amarillo Tascosa in the area round of the Class 5A playoffs; time and date TBD

MIDLAND HIGH VS. NO. 6 NORTH CROWLEY

When/where: 7:30 p.m. today, Clyde HS

Records: Midland High 7-23; North Crowley 29-4

Last game: Midland High 74, No. 23 San Angelo Central 73; North Crowley 73, Dallas Jesuit 71, OT

Notes & Quotes: MHS coach Justin Hardin said his team likely won't be awestruck by the No. 6 team in the state. But he did say it'll take a big effort to knock off a second straight state-ranked team after defeating No. 23 Central in its regular-season finale. "But it's not out of the realm of possibility," Hardin said, "if it was, then we wouldn't play the game." ... The Bulldogs generally like to create pressure in the backcourt and trap ball screens, but Hardin said they won't do that against North Crowley. "I think if you let those guys get into an up-and-down game and let it turn into open gym it can get real ugly real fast." ... Midland High will likely try to control the tempo and get North Crowley to play a lower-scoring game than it's used to, as it did in wins against Odessa Permian and Central. ... Braxton Reeves, Jalen McLoud and Calvin Ward each average at least 10 points per game for North Crowley and will need to be contained if Midland High wants to get a win. ... Midland High is looking for its first playoff win since a 70-51 win against Mansfield Timberview in the bi-district round of the playoffs in 2008.

Next: Winner will play El Paso Coronado or Lubbock Monterey in the area round of the Class 5A playoffs; time and date TBD

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"The kid has great feet," Hardin said. "He's got great touch, which we've seen, and he knows how to play basketball."

The same skills helped Rhodes — who can dunk a basketball — become a unanimous selection at defensive tackle on the District 3-5A All-District first team this past season. The honor even surprised the humble Rhodes.

Yet transitioning from football to basketball this season wasn't as easy, as Rhodes suited up for basketball for the first time in nearly a year after basically missing all of last season while recovering from surgery for a torn labrum.

"I didn't shoot a basketball for eight months," Rhodes said. "So, it was hard to get my shot back and my feet under me."

But since Rhodes has gotten his feet under him, he's been a force for the Bulldogs, averaging 12.3 points per game in his last three games and leading Midland High in scoring in two of them.

"Feeding him the ball is actually something we should've done earlier in the season," fellow senior Donavon Lee said. "We probably would've been more successful.

"He gets a lot of rebounds, blocked shots, makes a lot of plays, gets (three-point plays), makes his free throws — that's been really what we needed."

In addition to all of that, Rhodes is an excellent passer, leading Hardin to run his offense through the senior in Midland High's regular season-ending win against San Angelo Central.

Then there's his patented turnaround jump shot, which rarely, if ever, seems to miss the mark.

"That's the only move I have," Rhodes said with a laugh. "If they stop that, that's the end of my game."

But, according to Hardin, no one's going to stop that move, as even Hardin has been a victim.

"He's gotten me in open gym before," Hardin said. "It's the last part, when he gets you with his bicep, and he moves you out of the way — there's nothing you can do about it.

"I thought I broke my back."

Yet, in addition to all of the attributes that make him a special player, Rhodes is one of the team's best leaders.

Lee, who's played football and basektball with him since ninth grade, even said he felt Rhodes should've been a captain on the football team, not just the basketball team.

The humble Rhodes, though, simply tries to lead by example.

"I just try to do my thing and, hopefully, everybody will come along with me," Rhodes said.

Rhodes will try to do that again tonight when Midland High tries to help the Bulldogs defeat a state-ranked team for the second consecutive game. And teammates like Lee are confident in his ability to get it done.

"He's a big factor," Lee said laughing "literally."

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HS BASKETBALL PAIRINGS

Boys

Class 5A
Region I
Bi-District

North Crowley (W4, 28-4) vs. Midland High (F3, 7-23), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Clyde HS
El Paso Coronado (R1, 20-8) vs. Lubbock Monterey (T2, 17-13), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jerry Larned Sports Complex, Monahans
Amarillo (W2, 24-3) vs. El Paso Americas (F1, 17-13), 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Andrews HS
Odessa Permian (R3, 23-6) vs. Arlington Bowie (T4, 14-16), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Tuscola Jim Ned
Flower Mound Marcus (W8, 32-2) vs. Justin Northwest or Keller (F7), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Lewisville HS
Duncanville (R5, 18-14) vs. Irving Nimitz (T6, 15-14), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Arlington Sam Houston
Richland (W6, 27-3) vs. Mansfield Timberview (F5, 18-14), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Arlington HS
Coppell (R7, 24-8) vs. Allen (T8, 20-13), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, The Colony HS
San Angelo Central (W3, 29-5) vs. Arlington Lamar (F4, 12-17), 6 p.m. Tuesday Clyde HS
Lubbock Coronado (R2, 16-11) vs. El Paso Montwood (T1, 21-8), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Pecos HS
El Paso Hanks (W1, 22-8) vs. Amarillo Tascosa (F2, 15-10), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Andrews HS
Arlington Martin (R4, 24-7) vs. Lee (T3, 13-18), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Tuscola Jim Ned
Keller Central (W7, 26-7) vs. Hebron (F8, 21-10), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Trophy Club Byron Nelson
Colleyville Heritage (R6, 24-8) vs. Cedar Hill (T5, 22-11), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Arlington Lamar
South Grand Prairie (W5, 31-2) vs. Irving MacArthur (F8, 16-15), 7 30 p.m. Tuesday, Grand Prairie HS
Plano West (R8, 25-8) vs. Justin Northwest or Keller (T7), 8 p.m. Tuesday, Lewisville HS

Class 4A
Region I
Bi-District

Little Elm (W4, 26-6) vs. Amarillo Palo Duro (F3, 16-13), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Midwestern State University, Wichita Falls
El Paso Andress (R1, 19-11) 52, San Elizario 20
El Paso Riverside (W2, 21-8) vs. El Paso Austin (F1), late
Randall (R3, 19-11) vs. Denton Ryan (T4, 18-11), 5 p.m. Tuesday, Vernon HS
Waco University (W8, 28-6) vs. Everman (F7, 20-8), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Burleson HS
Birdville (R5, 19-9) vs. Fort Worth O.D. Wyatt (T6, 16-9), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Haltom HS
Fort Worth Trimble Tech (W6, 26-4) vs. Aledo (F5, 20-9), 8 p.m. Tuesday, Thomas Coliseum, Birdville
Mansfield Summit (R7, 20-6) vs. Killeen (T8, 17-16), 8 p.m. Tuesday, McLennan Community College, Waco
Wolfforth Frenship (W3, 28-3) vs. Denton (F4, 9-16), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Childress HS
El Paso Bowie (T1, 20-11) 65, El Paso Parkland 51
El Paso Del Valle (F2, 16-15) at El Paso Burges (W1, 17-8), 7 p.m. Tuesday
The Colony (R4, 29-5) vs. Plainview (T3, 19-13), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Vernon HS
Arlington Seguin (W7, 28-5) vs. Waco High (F8, 14-18), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Midlothian HS
Fort Worth Arlington Heights (R6, 20-9) vs. Keller Timber Creek (T5, 21-10), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Thomas Coliseum, Birdville
Trophy Club Byron Nelson (W5, 24-7) vs. Fort Southwest (F8), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Richland HS
Crowley (T7, 18-10) 63, Waco Midway 51

Class 3A
Region I
Bi-District

Seminole (W4, 20-7), bye
Pampa (R1) vs. Lamesa (T2, 18-12), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Hutcherson Center, Wayland Baptist University, Plainview
Lubbock Estacado (W2, 24-7), bye
Clint (R3, 15-13) vs. Fort Stockton (T4, 12-14), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Gallego Center, Alpine
Alvarado (W8, 18-11), bye
Brownwood (R5, 11-19) vs. Graham (T6), 6 p.m. Tuesday, McMurry University, Abilene
Wichita Falls Hirschi (W6, 20-6), bye
Decatur (R7) vs. Glen Rose (T8, 15-13), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Weatherford HS
Fabens (W3, 16-11), bye
Lubbock Cooper (R2, 22-9) vs. Perryton (T1, 21-10), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Canyon HS
Dalhart (W1), bye
Greenwood (R4, 23-10) vs. Clint Mountain View (T3, 14-15), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Fort Stockton HS
Mineral Wells (W7, 18-17), bye
Burkburnett (R6, 25-5) vs. Big Spring (T5, 14-17), 6 p.m., Tuesday, Eastland
Abilene Wylie (W5, 22-7), bye
Kennedale (R8, 22-9) vs. Burleson Centennial (T7), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Mansfield Legacy

Class 2A
Region I
Bi-District

Kermit (W4), bye
Bushland (R1, 18-10) vs. Littlefield (T2, 18-10), 7 p.m. Tuesdasy, Hereford HS
Idalou (W2, 26-4), bye
Denver City (R3, 22-7) vs. Alpine (T4, 12-14), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Jerry Larned Sports Complex, Monahans
Ingram Tom Moore (W8, 20-9), bye
Breckenridge (R5, 20-9) vs. Comanche (T6, 15-12), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Gorman HS
Dublin (W6, 26-4), bye
Ballinger (R7,15-15) vs. Harper (T8), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Brady
Colorado City (W3, 23-8), bye
Friona (R2, 22-8) vs. Highland Park (T1, 12-14), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Randall HS
Childress (W1, 29-3), bye
Stanton (T3, 19-11) 41, Tornillo 39
Wall (W7, 21-6), bye
Bangs (R6, 23-5) vs. Eastland (T5,19-4), 8 p.m. Tuesday, McMurry University, Abilene
Tuscola Jim Ned (W5, 28-6), bye
Grape Creek (R8, 12-14) vs. Blanco (T7, 13-11), 7 p.m. Tuesday, San Saba HS

Class A, Division I
Region I
Bi-District

Hale Center (W4, 22-3), bye
Gruver (R1, 15-15) vs. Boys Ranch (T2, 19-7), 8 p.m. Tuesday, Amarillo High Activity Center
Vega (W2, 23-4), bye
Memphis (R3, 15-12) vs. New Deal (T4, 9-18), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Randall HS
Van Horn (W8, 17-9), bye
Smyer (T6, 17-13) 55, Farwell 43
Seagraves (W6, 17-10) bye
Iraan (R7, 10-10) vs. Fort Hancock (T8), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Fort Stockton HS
Clarendon (W3, 16-10) bye
Panhandle (R2, 18-9) vs. Stratford (T1, 13-11), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Caprock Activity Center
Canadian (W1, 19-8), bye
Crosbyton (R4, 7-6) vs. Wellington (T3, 10-8), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Palo Duro Activity Center
Reagan County (W7, 22-9), bye
Morton (R6, 18-7) vs. Sudan (T5, 13-14), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Muleshoe
Olton (W5, 22-7), bye
Marfa (R8, 22-4) vs. or Irion County (T7, 13-13), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Crane HS

Class A, Division II

Shamrock (W4, 17-9), bye
Hartley (R1, 11-18) vs. Kress (T2, 18-10), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Vega HS
Nazareth (W2, 20-10), bye
Miami (R3, 12-8) vs. McLean (T4, 8-17), late
Grady (W8, 24-3), bye
Petersburg (R5, 11-15) vs. Spur (T6), TBA
Valley (W6), bye
New Home (R7, 18-6) vs. O'Donnell (T8, 20-9), TBA
Darrouzett (W3, 11-12), bye
Happy (R2, 14-8) vs. Channing (T1, 14-7), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Vega HS
Texline (W1, 20-6), bye
Groom (R4, 9-11) vs. Briscoe Fort Elliot (T3, 11-13), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Borger HS
Meadow (W7, 18-5), bye
Paducah (R6) vs. Anton (T5), TBA
Whitharral (W5, 22-6), bye
Sands (R8, 23-6) vs. Ropes (T7, 17-6), TBA

Region II

Water Valley (R12), bye
Valentine (R9) 56, Buena Vista 49, OT
Rankin (W10), bye
Roby (R11, 10-19) vs. Bronte (T12, 17-11), time TBA Tuesday, Anson HS
Lipan (W16), bye
Knox City (R13, 18-8) vs. Woodson (T14, 18-9), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Seymour HS
Throckmorton (W14, 16-3), bye
Gorman (R15, 18-8) vs. Newcastle (T16, 12-8), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Breckenridge HS
Ira (W11, 21-5), bye
Wink (R10, 16-12) 74, Sierra Blanca 49
Fort Davis (W9), bye
Garden City (R12, 21-11) 71, Trent 47
May (W15, 21-5), bye
Aspermont (R14, 20-7) vs. Vernon Northside (T13), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Guthrie HS
Crowell (W13, 20-2), bye
Graford (R16, 22-8) vs. Rising Star (T15, 11-11), 8 p.m. Tuesday, Cisco

Girls

Class 5A
Region I
Regional Quarterfinals

Lubbock Monterey (T2, 23-8) vs. Lubbock Coronado (W2, 26-6), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Rip Griffin Center, Lubbock
Plano West (W8, 33-2) vs. Irving MacArthur (W6, 33-2), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Lewisville Hebron HS
Amarillo High (R2, 27-6) vs. Arlington Lamar (R4, 19-12), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Burkburnett HS
Southlake Carroll (W7, 31-3) vs. Duncanville (W5, 35-1), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Wilkerson-Greines Activity Center, Fort Worth

Class 4A
Region I
Regional Quarterfinals

Amarillo Palo Duro (F3, 17-13) vs. Clint Horizon (W2, 30-2), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Seminole HS
Stephenville (W8, 26-8) vs. Granbury (W3, 28-3), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Gelen Rose HS
Canyon (W3, 28-3) vs. El Paso Chapin (W1, 32-0), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Odessa College Sports Center
Mansfield Summit (W7, 32-3) vs. Arlington Seguin (W5, 30-4), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Mansfield Legacy HS

Class 3A
Region I
Regional Quarterfinals

Dalhart (R1, 20-10) vs. Lubbock Cooper (W2, 27-6), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dimmitt HS
Kennedale (W8, 27-6) vs. Bowie (W6, 25-7), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Mineral Wells HS
Shallowater (W3, 27-5) vs. Perryton (W1, 26-5), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Palo Duro Activity Center, Amarillo
Decatur (W7, 26-5) vs. Abilene Wylie (W5, 30-4), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Tarleton State University, Stephenville

Class 2A
Region I
Regional Quarterfinals

Idalou (T2, 20-12) vs. Tulia (W2, 26-7), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Wayland Baptist University's Hutcherson Center, Plainview
Jim Ned (R5, 27-8) vs. Brady (R7, 27-8), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Abilene Christian University's Moody Coliseum
Lubbock Roosevelt (W3, 24-8) vs. Spearman (W1, 22-6), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Canyon HS
Wall (W7, 25-7) 34, Merkel 30

Class A, Division I
Region I
Regional Quarterfinals

Canadian (R1, 27-7) vs. Panhandle (W2, 27-7), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Pampa HS
Sundown (T6, 22-11) vs. Smyer (W6, 32-2), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Abernathy HS
Claredon (W3, 22-4) vs. Gruver (W1, 31-3), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Amarillo High Activity Center
Plains (R6, 29-5) vs. Sudan (W5, 29-3), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Lubbock Christian University's Rip Griffin Center

Class A, Division II
Region I
Regional Quarterfinals

McLean (W4, 16-13) vs. Follett (R3, 18-10), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Canadian HS
Anton (R5, 17-15) vs. Turkey Valley (W6, 30-0), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Hale Center HS
Nazareth (R2, 24-9) vs. Hartley (W1, 25-8), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Caprock Activity Center, Amarillo
Lorenzo (W7) vs. Whitharral (W5, 25-5), 8 p.m. Tuesday, Abernathy HS

Region II
Regional Quarterfinals

Garden City (W12, 27-5) vs. Wink (W10, 20-7), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Howard College's Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, Big Spring
Lipan (W16, 29-2) vs. Throckmorton (W14, 24-8), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Cisco HS
Roby (W11, 21-11) vs. Bronte (R12, 22-12), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Anson HS
Baird (W15, 21-10) vs. Strawn (R16, 26-5), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dublin HS

HS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Boys

CLASS A DIVISION II BI-DISTRICT
GARDEN CITY 71, TRENT 47

WESTBROOK — Sophomore Corbin Davis scored 26 points and the Bearkats used a big third quarter to take a convincing victory against Trent in a Class A Division II bi-district game at Westbrook High School.

The Bearkats (21-11) had a 31-14 lead after the first half, but then put the game away by outscoring the Gorillas 24-7 in the third quarter.

"The third quarter was huge," Garden City coach Koby Abney said. "We had a lead of 12 or 14 in the first half, and we made some defensive screwups and they would make a run. But in the third quarter we executed the whole quarter on both sides well."

Michael Lopez scored 14 points, and Sam Miller added 13 and Reggie Halfmann 10 in the victory.

The Bearkats will take on Fort Davis in an area round game to be determined.

GARDEN CITY 71, TRENT 47

Garden City (21-11) — Corbin Davis 26, Michael Lopez 14, Sam Miller 13, Reggie Halfmann 10, Dillon Koenning 3, Peyton Schaefer 3, Juan Bustos 2

Trent (16-14) — Darnell 16, Richard 10, Hutcheson 10, Brazleton 3, Bryan 3, Melton 3, Meza 2

Garden City	13	18	24	16 —71
Trent	8	6	7	16 —47

Free throws — GC 9-15, Trent 6-15. 3-point goals — GC 8 (Davis 4, Miller 3, Schaefer), Trent 7 (Darnell 3, Hutcheson 2, Bryan, Brazleton). Total fouls — GC 18, Trent 17. Fouled out — none.

Next: Garden City vs. Fort Davis, TBA, area round

CLASS 2A BI-DISTRICT
STANTON 41 TORNILLO 39

ALPINE — Stanton overcame a third-quarter surge by Tornillo to advance to the area round of the Class 2A playoffs with a 41-39 win for the Buffaloes Monday at the Gallego Center at Sul Ross State University.

Scott Smith led the way for the Buffaloes with 13 points, and Ethan Mauldin chipped in 10 as Stanton had to overcome a 19-point third quarter by Tornillo that left them trailing 31-27 entering the fourth quarter.

But Stanton responded with its best scoring quarter of the game while holding Tornillo to single digits in the fourth quarter to pull out the win.

The Buffaloes will take on District 1-2A champion Childress in the area round this Friday in Lubbock at a time and place to be announced.

STANTON 41, TORNILLO 39

Stanton (20-11) — Scott Smith 13, Ethan Mauldin 10, Nathan Koonce 5, K.J. Gillespie 5, Cole Schoyer 4, Andres Chavez 2, Blake Evans 2

Tornillo — Irvin Bosbuez 13, Ernie Burciaga 12, Sam Sanchez 11, Josh Delgado 2, Victor Garcia 2

Stanton	5	10	12	14 —41
Tornillo	4	8	19	8 —39

Free throws — Stanton 10-16, Tornillo 6-9. 3-point goals — Stanton 1 (Koonce), Tornillo 2 (Bosbuez, Sanchez). Total fouls — Stanton 10, Tornillo 10. Fouled out — none.

Next: Stanton vs. Childress, Class 2A playoffs area round, Friday in Lubbock, place and time TBA.

URIAS

From 1C

nothing more than to put the ball in the bucket, it doesn't bother Urias if he's not scoring in bundles. That is on one condition.

"As long as we keep winning," Urias said with a smile. "I'm not the type of guy who is going to sit there and whine if I'm not doing good on offense. I let my defense turn into my offense most of the time. Scoring isn't my priority."

Urias also leads the Rangers with 2.7 steals and 1.9 assists per game, proving exactly what his priority is for his role on the floor.

"Defense is my priority. I just like the thrill of it," Urias said. "I can go out and just kind of freestyle and make something happen."

The Rangers try to be fast paced on both ends of the floor, hoping their full-court press can force turnovers and lead to easy baskets in fast-break situations. It's a system that fits Urias perfectly.

"Our style of basketball is uptempo and Edgar thrives in it," Ray said. "He loves to run the floor, make the steal or make the dish. We've been pressing all year long and he's able to get up there and make things happen."

It's a style of play Urias plans to keep playing for a few more weeks and the Rangers attempt to prolong their season.

"I expect our hard work to continue to pay off," Urias said. "This team works way harder than any team I've ever been a part of. That's something we always pride ourselves on.

"Having such great teammates, there's not much need for leadership. Everyone knows their roles. As long as we go out on a nightly basis and execute, we should go far."

A deep playoff run could lead Urias to playing at his craziest level yet.

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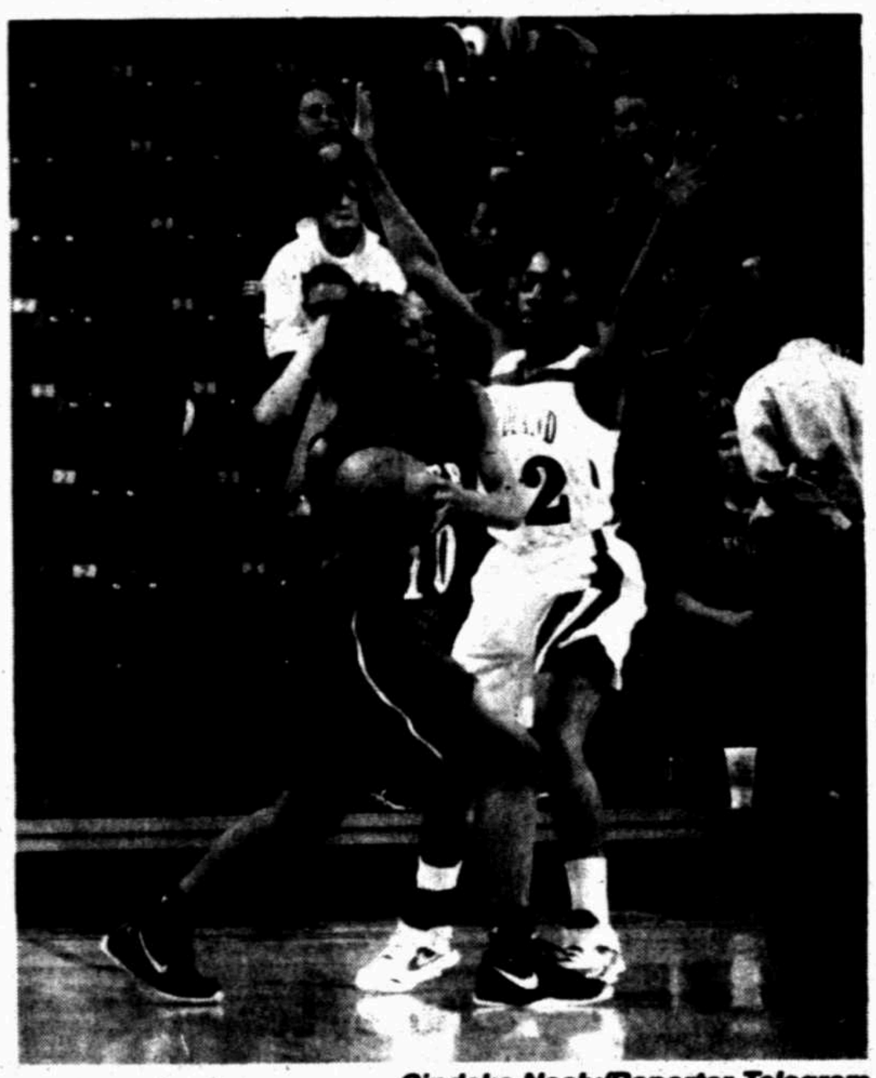

Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

Midland College's Shola Adebayo, right, guards Western Texas College's Brianna Stifford (10) on Monday during their game at Chaparral Center.

LADY CHAPS

From 1C

comfortable in each game.

"Coach Jones talks to me every day about keeping my intensity and staying positive, plus to keep working hard," Kelley said. "I know when we go to regionals, I'm going to be a big part and I want to make sure I keep that intensity up for my team."

Kelley and the Lady Chaps finally put the game away midway through the second half by going on a 14-2 run to take a 53-29 advantage.

The Lady Chaps will have a week off before heading to Frank Phillips College next Monday to begin the final week of the regular season.

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MIDLAND COLLEGE 75, WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE 50

Western Texas (14-12, 3-6) — Breanna Burton 7-14 2-2 16, Presley Gann 1-8 2-2 5, Elissa Betts 3-9 5-5 11, Brianna Sifford 2-9 4-6 9, Liz Sheffey 1-5 1-1 4, Anna Phillips 0-1 1-2 1, Jessica McCarville 0-0 2-2 2, Miranda Grier 0-5 0-0 0, Jacoree Brooks 1-7 0-0 2, Ariel Callis 0-3 0-0 0, Shaylese Shofner 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 15-63 17-20 50

Midland College (22-6, 8-2) — Bernadette Sanchez 0-0 0-0 0, Darnetta Jackson 4-8 0-0 10, Anfisa Shulha 2-4 0-0 5, Curtiesha Woods 1-2 0-1 2, Armani Wiley 2-4 0-0 5, Alexis Kelley 4-8 6-6 14, Lindsay Ansley 3-6 3-4 10, Morgan Schwartz 2-7 0-0 4, Danesha Long 2-7 2-2 6, Ornela Bacchini 3-7 0-0 6, Achiri Ade 2-7 2-2 6, Nely Sousa 4-9 2-5 10. Totals 28-72 15-22 75

Halftime — MC 31, WTC 16. 3-point goals — WTC 3-18 (Gann 1-3, Sifford 1-4, Sheffey 1-1, Burton 0-4, Betts 0-2, Phillips 0-1 Grier 0-2, Callis 0-1), MC 4-17 (Jackson 2-4, Ansley 1-3, Wood 1-3, Wood 0-1, Wiley 0-2, Adebayo 0-1 Long 0-3). Total fouls — WTC 21, MC 15. Fouled out — McCarville. Rebounds — WTC 30 (Shofner 4), MC 65 (Ade 11). Assists — WTC 1 (Sifford), MC 14 (six with 2). Turnovers — WTC 12, MC 16. Steals — WTC 7 (Betts 3), MC 4 (Adebayo 2).

Next game: Midland College at Frank Phillips College, 5:45 p.m. Monday, Feb. 27; Odessa College at Western Texas College, 5:45 p.m. Thursday.

WJCAC Standings

WOMEN

Team	Conf. W	Conf. L	Overall W	Overall L
x-New Mexico JC	8	1	24	3
x-Midland College	8	2	22	6
Odessa College	7	3	18	8
South Plains	5	5	8	18
Western Texas	3	6	14	12
Howard College	2	7	16	11
Frank Phillips	0	9	7	18

x-clinched NJCAA Region V Tournament berth

Monday's Scores

Midland College 75, Western Texas College 50; Odessa College 75, Howard College 59; New Mexico JC 63, South Plains College 44; Frank Phillips College 84, Clarendon College 64 (non conference)

Thursday's Games

Odessa College at Western Texas College; Frank Phillips College at New Mexico JC; South Plains College at Howard College; Midland College is open

MEN

Team	Conf. W	Conf. L	Overall W	Overall L
x-South Plains	11	0	28	0
Howard College	9	2	20	5
New Mexico JC	7	4	18	8
Odessa College	6	5	21	6
Midland College	4	7	16	9
New Mexico Military	3	8	10	15
Frank Phillips	2	9	10	17
Western Texas	2	9	14	12

x-clinched NJCAA Region V Tournament berth

Monday's Scores

Western Texas College [illegible] Midland College (forfeit); NMMI [illegible], Frank Phillips College 88; Howard College [illegible], Odessa College 59; South Plains College [illegible], New Mexico JC 60

Thursday's Games

Midland College [illegible]; Odessa College at Western Texas College; Frank Phillips College at New Mexico JC; South Plains College at Howard College

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H.S. Basketball

Final TABC-Texas High School Boys Basketball rankings

SUGAR LAND — Final high school boys basketball rankings as compiled by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches and Tex Preps Basketball magazine for the week of Feb. 20:

BOYS

Class 5A

1. Lewisville Marcus, 32-2; 2. Fort Bend Travis, 30-3; 3. South Grand Prairie, 31-2; 4. N. Richland Hills Richland, 27-3; 5. SA Churchill, 31-2; 6. North Crowley, 29-4; 7. Houston Strake Jesuit, 25-3; 8. DeSoto, 29-5; 9. Fort Bend Bush, 26-5; 10. Galena Park North Shore, 30-3; 11. Plano West, 25-8; 12. Clear Brook, 29-3; 13. Round Rock McNeil, 31-3; 14. Houston Clear Lake, 29-5; 15. Northside Brandeis, 25-6; 16. Northside Warren, 30-5; 17. The Woodlands, 29-4; 18. The Woodlands College Park, 27-7; 19. Richardson Berkner, 25-7; 20. A&M Consolidated, 29-4; 21. Cypress Falls, 30-4; 22. Fort Bend Elkins, 26-8; 23. San Angelo Central, 29-5; 24. SA Wagner, 21-10; 25. Laredo Martin, 26-7.

Class 4A

1. Houston Yates, 27-5; 2. SA Alamo Heights, 29-2; 3. FW Trimble Tech, 27-4; 4. Wolforth Frenship, 28-3; 5. South Oak Cliff, 26-7; 6. Dallas Kimball, 27-5; 7. Arlington Seguin, 29-5; 8. Dallas Wilson, 25-3; 9. Pearland Dawson, 28-4; 10. Manvel, 29-5; 11. Dallas Hillcrest, 23-5; 12. Dallas Highland Park, 27-2; 13. Little Elm, 26-6; 14. The Colony, 29-5; 15. Austin LBJ, 27-6; 16. Rosenberg Lamar, 24-8; 17. Houston Wheatley, 22-13; 18. Houston Jones, 19-6; 19. Rosenberg Terry, 28-5; 20. Humble, 26-5; 21. Lake Travis, 28-5; 22. Waco University, 28-6; 23. New Braunfels Canyon, 23-9; 24. Lancaster, 20-8; 25. Northside Brennan, 29-5.

Class 3A

1. Waco La Vega, 31-1; 2. Lubbock Estacado, 25-7; 3. SA Houston, 23-3; 4. Sour Lake Hardin-Jefferson, 37-1; 5. Silsbee, 24-6; 6. Wilmer Hutchins, 24-7; 7. Dallas Madison, 20-8; 8. Liberty Hill, 31-3; 9. CC West Oso, 27-5; 10. Burkburnett, 26-5; 11. Argyle, 26-8; 12. Carrollton Ranchview, 18-12; 13. CC Miller, 25-8; 14. Brookshire Royal, 29-4; 15. WF Hirschi, 22-6; 16. Texarkana Pleasant Grove, 27-2; 17. Lucas Lovejoy, 28-7; 18. Frisco Lone Star, 20-8; 19. Princeton, 28-6; 20. Mexia, 25-7; 21. Paris, 24-6; 22. Abilene Wylie, 24-7; 23. Sealy, 22-5; 24. Coldspring-Oakhurst, 17-2; 25. Seminole, 20-8.

Class 2A

1. Idalou, 26-5; 2. White Oak, 30-1; 3. Jarrell, 32-0; 4. Red Oak Life, 30-3; 5. SA Cole, 27-4; 6. Crockett, 15-6; 7. Whitewright, 21-8; 8. Brock, 25-7; 9. Peaster, 25-5; 10. Childress, 29-4; 11. Nacogdoches Central Heights, 27-9; 12. Wall, 22-6; 13. Krum, 29-6; 14. Tatum, 24-9; 15. Trinity, 24-9; 16. Van Vleck, 26-6; 17. Tuscola Jim Ned, 28-7; 18. Marlin, 25-8; 19. Hearne, 27-6; 20. Gunter, 20-6; 21. Edgewood, 29-8; 22. Santa Rosa, 21-7; 23. Hooks, 26-7; 24. Dublin, 26-4; 25. Hallettsville, 23-6.

Class A Division I

1. Clarksville, 25-5; 2. Mumford, 32-0; 3. Cayuga, 32-4; 4. Tenaha, 18-3; 5. Olney, 33-1; 6. Milano, 29-1; 7. Hale Center, 23-3; 8. Grapeland, 26-7; 9. Olton, 22-8; 10. Medina, 28-4; 11. Poolville, 30-3; 12. La Rue La Poynor, 26-8; 13. Albany, 22-3; 14. Vega, 23-4; 15. Lovelady, 16-6; 16. Port Aransas, 21-11; 17. Kerens, 20-8; 18. Hubbard, 20-5; 19. Big Sandy, 21-8; 20. Evadale, 19-10; 21. Boys Ranch, 19-8; 22. Seymour, 18-7; 23. Panhandle, 18-9; 24. Broaddus, 19-15; 25. Stamford, 12-4.

Class A Division II

1. Laneville, 23-6; 2. Roxton, 24-6; 3. Water Valley, 29-1; 4. Throckmorton, 18-2; 5. Grady, 24-4; 6. Sands, 23-6; 7. Douglass, 27-3; 8. Dodd City, 25-5; 9. Calvert, 17-6; 10. Huckabay, 21-7; 11. Martinsville, 26-6; 12. Rankin, 23-6; 13. Nazareth, 21-11; 14. Texline, 20-6; 15. Wells, 22-10; 16. Saltillo, 23-8; 17. Lipan, 22-10; 18. Graford, 22-9; 19. Lingleville, 20-9; 20. Turkey Valley, 19-4; 21. Moulton, 23-9; 22. Fayetteville, 22-8; 23. Meadow, 18-5; 24. Crowell, 19-3; 25. Ira, 22-5.

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	20	12	.625	—
New York	16	17	.485	4 1/2
Boston	15	16	.484	4 1/2
New Jersey	10	24	.294	11
Toronto	9	23	.281	11

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	25	7	.781	—
Orlando	21	12	.636	4 1/2
Atlanta	19	13	.594	6
Washington	7	25	.219	18
Charlotte	4	27	.129	20 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	26	8	.765	—
Indiana	19	12	.613	5 1/2
Cleveland	12	17	.414	11 1/2
Milwaukee	13	19	.406	12
Detroit	11	22	.333	14 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	23	9	.719	—
Dallas	21	12	.636	2 1/2
Houston	19	14	.576	4 1/2
Memphis	18	15	.545	5 1/2
New Orleans	7	24	.226	15 1/2

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	25	7	.781	—
Portland	17	15	.531	8
Denver	17	15	.531	8
Minnesota	16	16	.500	9
Utah	15	16	.484	9 1/2

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Clippers	19	10	.655	—
L.A. Lakers	18	13	.581	2
Phoenix	14	19	.424	7
Golden State	11	17	.393	7 1/2
Sacramento	10	21	.323	10

Monday's Scores

Chicago 90, Atlanta 79
New Jersey 100, New York 92
Dallas 89, Boston 73
Houston 97, Memphis 93
Oklahoma City 101, New Orleans 93
Orlando 93, Milwaukee 90
Phoenix 104, Washington 88
San Antonio 106, Utah 102
Minnesota at Denver, late
L.A. Clippers at Golden State, late
Portland at L.A. Lakers, late

Today's Games

Detroit at Cleveland, 6 p.m.
New Orleans at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Sacramento at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Memphis, 7 p.m.
San Antonio at Portland, 9 p.m.

MONDAY'S BOX SCORES

MAVERICKS 89, CELTICS 73

BOSTON (73): Pierce 7-13 5-7 20, Wilcox 1-3 0-0 2, O'Neal 0-1 0-0 0, Bradley 6-11 0-0 12, Allen 6-15 2-2 15, Stiemsma 0-2 1-2 1, Pietrus 2-8 0-0 6, Dooling 1-3 0-0 3, Johnson 4-7 0-0 8, Daniels 0-2 0-0 0, Pavlovic 0-4 0-0 0, Moore 2-5 0-0 6. Totals 29-74 8-11 73.

DALLAS (89): Marion 5-10 1-2 11, Nowitzki 10-24 5-5 26, Haywood 2-5 1-2 5, Kidd 2-5 0-0 6, Carter 2-7 0-0 4, Terry 6-11 0-0 16, Jones 3-8 1-1 7, Mahinmi 0-1 1-2 1, Odom 2-8 0-0 4, Wright 4-7 1-2 9, Cardinal 0-1 0-0 0, Yi 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 36-89 10-14 89.

Boston	15	19	19	20	— 73
Dallas	20	24	26	19	— 89

3-Point Goals—Boston 7-24 (Moore 2-4, Pietrus 2-6, Dooling 1-2, Pierce 1-3, Allen 1-5, Pavlovic 0-4), Dallas 7-25 (Terry 4-7, Kidd 2-5, Nowitzki 1-3, Yi 0-1, Cardinal 0-1, Carter 0-3, Odom 0-5). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Boston 48 (Pietrus 12), Dallas 57 (Nowitzki 16). Assists—Boston 17 (Pietrus 4), Dallas 26 (Kidd 8). Total Fouls—Boston 18, Dallas 15. A—20,364 (19,200).

ROCKETS 97, GRIZZLIES 93

MEMPHIS (93): Gay 9-22 5-5 23, Speights 6-8 0-0 12, Gasol 3-8 5-6 11, Conley 7-13 0-0 16, Allen 5-11 0-1 10, Mayo 3-12 0-2 6, Cunningham 2-2 2-2 6, Pargo 0-0 0-0 0, Pondexter 3-3 2-2 9. Totals 38-79 14-18 93.

HOUSTON (97): Parsons 4-11 0-0 9, Scola 5-7 0-0 10, Dalembert 4-4 1-2 9, Lowry 7-17 7-7 24, Martin 8-13 4-6 22, Lee 1-6 6-6 9, Patterson 4-10 0-0 8, Dragic 2-6 2-4 6, Smith 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 35-74 20-25 97.

Memphis	28	26	22	17	— 93
Houston	31	27	18	21	— 97

3-Point Goals—Memphis 3-13 (Conley 2-4, Pondexter 1-1, Gay 0-2, Mayo 0-6), Houston 7-22 (Lowry 3-7, Martin 2-3, Parsons 1-4, Lee 1-5, Patterson 0-1, Dragic 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Memphis 45 (Gay, Gasol, Speights 7), Houston 44 (Patterson 9). Assists—Memphis 17 (Gasol 5), Houston 21 (Lowry 9). Total Fouls—Memphis 24, Houston 20. Technicals—Memphis defensive three second, Houston defensive three second. A—12,525 (18,043).

SPURS 106, JAZZ 102

SAN ANTONIO (106): R.Jefferson 2-6 0-0 5, Duncan 7-14 6-6 20, Blair 7-11 1-5 15, Parker 7-16 9-10 23, Green 0-3 0-0 0, Leonard 1-3 2-2 4, Bonner 6-8 3-3 20, Neal 4-13 3-4 14, Joseph 0-1 0-0 0, Anderson 2-3 0-0 5. Totals 36-78 24-30 106.

UTAH (102): Howard 4-8 4-4 12, Millsap 6-17 4-6 16, A.Jefferson 10-19 0-1 20, Harris 6-8 1-1 15, Hayward 3-7 2-2 8, Miles 5-10 2-2 13, Favors 1-3 3-4 5, Watson 0-3 2-2 2, Burks 3-6 1-1 7, Kanter 2-3 0-0 4. Totals 40-84 19-23 102.

San Antonio	26	30	24	26	— 106
Utah	30	23	27	22	— 102

3-Point Goals—San Antonio 10-21 (Bonner 5-6, Neal 3-8, Anderson 1-1, R.Jefferson 1-4, Leonard 0-1, Green 0-1), Utah 3-8 (Harris 2-2, Miles 1-3, A.Jefferson 0-1, Watson 0-1, Millsap 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—San Antonio 41 (Leonard 8), Utah 55 (A.Jefferson, Millsap 11). Assists—San Antonio 22 (Parker 11), Utah 17 (Harris 4). Total Fouls—San Antonio 17, Utah 24. Technicals—Neal. A—19,105 (19,911).

MAGIC 93, BUCKS 90

ORLANDO (93): Turkoglu 5-10 0-0 13, Anderson 3-7 1-2 9, Howard 9-20 10-14 28, Nelson 6-11 2-2 15, Redick 4-9 1-1 11, Davis 5-9 2-2 12, Duhon 0-2 0-0 0, Q.Richardson 0-2 0-0 0, Wafer 1-6 0-0 2, Liggins 0-0 3-4 3. Totals 33-76 19-25 93.

MILWAUKEE (90): Delfino 3-12 0-0 8, Ilyasova 6-15 3-3 15, Leuer 5-11 0-1 10, Jennings 9-19 3-3 22, Livingston 1-7 2-2 4, Sanders 6-12 1-1 13, Dunleavy 7-13 2-3 18, Mbah a Moute 0-2 0-0 0, Udrih 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-91 11-13 90.

Orlando	27	22	18	26	— 93
Milwaukee	29	19	22	20	— 90

3-Point Goals—Orlando 8-22 (Turkoglu 3-4, Anderson 2-4, Redick 2-5, Nelson 1-4, Q.Richardson 0-1, Howard 0-1, Davis 0-1, Wafer 0-2), Milwaukee 5-22 (Dunleavy 2-4, Delfino 2-7, Jennings 1-6, Leuer 0-1, Ilyasova 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Orlando 58 (Howard 16), Milwaukee 47 (Ilyasova 15). Assists—Orlando 18 (Nelson 5), Milwaukee 17 (Delfino 8). Total Fouls—Orlando 18, Milwaukee 19. Technicals—Milwaukee defensive three second. A—13,143 (18,717).

THUNDER 101, HORNETS 93

NEW ORLEANS (93): Ayon 2-5 0-0 4, Ariza 2-7 3-4 7, Kaman 4-17 4-4 12, Vasquez 5-9 3-3 15, Belinelli 4-8 0-0 10, Jack 6-15 4-6 18, Thomas 2-7 1-1 5, Aminu 6-10 1-1 14, Henry 1-6 4-4 6, Jones 1-7 0-0 2. Totals 33-91 20-23 93.

OKLAHOMA CITY (101): Durant 10-19 8-9 31, Ibaka 4-9 1-1 9, Perkins 2-3 1-2 5, Westbrook 10-20 9-10 31, Cook 3-13 0-0 7, Ivey 2-6 0-0 6, Mohammed 1-2 0-0 2, Aldrich 2-3 0-0 4, Jackson 2-5 2-2 6. Totals 36-80 21-24 101.

New Orleans	18	20	31	24	— 93
Oklahoma City	31	29	24	17	— 101

3-Point Goals—New Orleans 7-14 (Belinelli 2-2, Vasquez 2-3, Jack 2-4, Aminu 1-3, Ayon 0-1, Ariza 0-1), Oklahoma City 8-26 (Durant 3-7, Westbrook 2-3, Ivey 2-6, Cook 1-9, Jackson 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New Orleans 56 (Kaman, Thomas 8), Oklahoma City 52 (Ibaka, Perkins 13). Assists—New Orleans 17 (Ariza, Jack 5), Oklahoma City 15 (Durant, Jackson, Westbrook 4). Total Fouls—New Orleans 17, Oklahoma City 19. Technicals—New Orleans defensive three second, Perkins. A—18,203 (18,203).

NETS 100, KNICKS 92

NEW JERSEY (100): Stevenson 4-8 0-0 11, Humphries 5-14 4-7 14, She.Williams 1-4 0-2 2, D.Williams 10-22 10-12 38, Brooks 7-15 2-2 18, Morrow 2-8 4-4 9, Petro 0-3 0-0 0, Gaines 3-8 1-2 8, Emmett 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 32-82 21-29 100.

NEW YORK (92): Anthony 4-11 3-6 11, Stoudemire 7-17 3-3 17, Chandler 4-5 6-6 14, Lin 7-18 5-6 21, Fields 5-10 0-1 10, Jeffries 1-4 2-4 4, Novak 3-10 0-0 8, Smith 2-8 0-0 4, Davis 1-2 0-0 3. Totals 34-85 19-26 92.

New Jersey	18	32	32	18	— 100
New York	21	21	22	28	— 92

3-Point Goals—New Jersey 15-31 (D.Williams 8-14, Stevenson 3-7, Brooks 2-5, Gaines 1-1, Morrow 1-4), New York 5-21 (Lin 2-4, Novak 2-8, Davis 1-1, Stoudemire 0-1, Fields 0-2, Smith 0-5). Fouled Out—D.Williams, Lin. Rebounds—New Jersey 62 (Humphries 14), New York 54 (Fields 11). Assists—New Jersey 19 (D.Williams 6), New York 23 (Lin 9). Total Fouls—New Jersey 25, New York 25. Technicals—New Jersey defensive three second, Anthony, Chandler, New York defensive three second. A—19,763 (19,763).

BULLS 90, HAWKS 79

ATLANTA (79): J.Johnson 5-11 2-2 12, Smith 7-21 3-5 17, Pachulia 2-5 4-8 8, Teague 2-3 0-0 6, Green 3-6 0-0 6, Hinrich 2-8 0-2 5, Pargo 7-12 0-0 19, Radmanovic 0-5 0-0 0, McGrady 2-3 1-4 6, I.Johnson 0-0 0-0 0, Dampier 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 30-74 10-21 79.

CHICAGO (90): Deng 4-15 0-0 10, Boozer 7-13 2-2 16, Noah 2-5 1-2 5, Rose 8-18 5-9 23, Brewer 4-9 4-4 13, Gibson 3-9 0-0 6, James 3-7 0-0 7, Korver 0-4 0-0 0, Asik 0-0 0-0 0, Lucas 3-8 2-2 10. Totals 34-88 14-19 90.

Atlanta	17	20	27	15	— 79
Chicago	35	20	18	17	— 90

3-Point Goals—Atlanta 9-25 (Pargo 5-8, Teague 2-2, McGrady 1-1, Hinrich 1-4, Smith 0-1, Green 0-2, J.Johnson 0-3, Radmanovic 0-4), Chicago 8-20 (Lucas 2-3, Rose 2-4, Deng 2-6, James 1-1, Brewer 1-2, Korver 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Atlanta 51 (Smith 12), Chicago 63 (Noah 16). Assists—Atlanta 19 (Smith 5), Chicago 18 (Rose 6). Total Fouls—Atlanta 17, Chicago 16. Technicals—Atlanta defensive three second. A—22,033 (20,917).

SUNS 104, WIZARDS 88

WASHINGTON (88): Singleton 2-5 0-0 5, Booker 7-12 2-2 16, McGee 5-11 0-3 10, Wall 4-11 2-3 10, Young 3-13 0-0 6, Lewis 1-6 1-2 3, Vesely 0-1 0-0 0, Crawford 7-10 4-5 20, Mason 4-8 0-0 10, Mack 1-4 1-2 3, Seraphin 2-3 1-2 5. Totals 36-84 11-19 88.

PHOENIX (104): Hill 3-12 5-6 11, Frye 6-9 3-4 19, Gortat 9-14 2-4 20, Nash 3-6 6-7 12, Dudley 4-8 0-0 8, Morris 2-8 2-2 6, Brown 2-7 0-0 5, Lopez 0-0 1-2 1, Redd 4-9 4-4 14, Telfair 4-6 0-0 8. Totals 37-79 23-29 104.

Washington	25	23	13	27	— 88
Phoenix	31	22	32	19	— 104

3-Point Goals—Washington 5-20 (Mason 2-4, Crawford 2-5, Singleton 1-2, Wall 0-1, Mack 0-1, Lewis 0-3, Young 0-4), Phoenix 7-21 (Frye 4-7, Redd 2-4, Brown 1-3, Dudley 0-1, Telfair 0-1, Hill 0-1, Nash 0-2, Morris 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Washington 50 (McGee 9), Phoenix 54 (Frye 11). Assists—Washington 16 (Wall 6), Phoenix 20 (Nash 11). Total Fouls—Washington 23, Phoenix 17. Technicals—Washington defensive three second. A—13,921 (18,422).

ON THE AIR

What's on TV

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Illinois at Ohio St., 6 p.m., ESPN

Kansas St. at Missouri, 6 p.m., ESPN2

Kentucky at Mississippi St., 8 p.m., ESPN

NHL

Dallas at Montreal, 6 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest

Detroit at Chicago, 7 p.m., NBC Sports Network

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Texas at Baylor, 6:30 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest Plus

WHAT'S ON DECK

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

Greenwood at Snyder, 7 p.m.

BOYS HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Class 5A bi-district, Lee vs. Arlington Martin, 7:30 p.m., Jim Ned High School, Tuscola

Class 5A bi-district, Midland High vs. North Crowley, 7:30 p.m., Clyde High School

Class 3A bi-district, Greenwood vs. Clint Mountain View, 7:30 p.m., Fort Stockton High School

Class 3A bi-district, Big Spring vs. Burkburnett, 6 p.m., Eastland High School

GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Class A D-II Regional Quarterfinals, Garden City vs. Wink, 6:30 p.m., Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, Big Spring

GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

Midland High at Abilene Cooper, 7:30 p.m., Shotwell Stadium, Abilene

Abilene High at Lee, 7:30 p.m., Shotwell Stadium, Abilene

BOYS HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

Abilene High at Lee, 5:30 p.m., Grande Communications Stadium

Midland High at Abilene Cooper, 5:30 p.m., Grande Communications Stadium

HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL

Midland High at Monahans, 5:30 p.m.

San Angelo Central at Greenwood, 5 p.m.

Reagan County at Midland Christian, 5 p.m.

Lee at Alpine, 5 p.m.

JUNIOR COLLEGE GOLF

Midland at The Wrangler Invitational/Texas State Preview, Splitrail Country Club, Aledo

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Men

The Top Twenty Five

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Feb. 19, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and previous ranking:

Team	Record	Pts	Prv
1. Kentucky (63)	26-1	1,623	1
2. Syracuse (2)	27-1	1,559	2
3. Missouri	25-2	1,498	3
4. Kansas	22-5	1,377	4
5. Duke	23-4	1,359	5
6. Michigan St.	22-5	1,317	7
7. North Carolina	23-4	1,261	8
8. Ohio St.	22-5	1,139	6
9. Georgetown	20-5	1,085	10
10. Marquette	22-5	1,013	12
11. Michigan	20-7	869	17
12. Florida	21-6	860	14
13. Baylor	**22-5**	**859**	**9**
14. Murray St.	26-1	765	16
15. Florida St.	19-7	620	20
16. Wisconsin	20-7	615	15
17. Louisville	21-6	495	19
18. New Mexico	22-4	469	—
19. Wichita St.	24-4	467	24
20. Notre Dame	19-8	457	23
21. UNLV	22-6	325	11
22. Temple	21-5	281	—
23. Indiana	20-7	246	18
24. San Diego St.	20-6	176	13
25. Virginia	20-6	153	22

Others receiving votes: Creighton 76, Gonzaga 47, BYU 29, Saint Louis 25, Drexel 13, Harvard 12, Vanderbilt 12, California 11, Saint Mary's (Cal) 7, Long Beach St. 4, VCU 1.

USA Today/ESPN Top 25 Poll

The top 25 teams in the USA Today-ESPN men's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Feb. 19, points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and previous ranking:

Team	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Kentucky (31)	26-1	775	1
2. Syracuse	27-1	744	2
3. Missouri	25-2	713	3
4. Duke	23-4	662	4
5. Kansas	22-5	644	5
6. Michigan State	22-5	613	8
7. North Carolina	23-4	592	7
8. Georgetown	20-5	539	9
9. Ohio State	22-5	504	6
10. Marquette	22-5	485	13
11. Florida	21-6	454	12
12. Murray State	26-1	416	14
13. Michigan	20-7	377	19
14. Baylor	**22-5**	**374**	**10**
15. Wisconsin	20-7	292	17
16. Florida State	19-7	290	21
17. Louisville	21-6	277	18
18. Notre Dame	19-8	223	25
19. Wichita State	24-4	183	NR
20. UNLV	22-6	174	11
21. New Mexico	22-4	142	NR
22. Temple	21-5	114	NR
23. Saint Mary's	23-5	101	16
24. Indiana	20-7	81	20
25. San Diego State	20-6	76	15

Others receiving votes: Virginia 73; Creighton 51; California 21; Gonzaga 13; Saint Louis 11; Harvard 10; Mississippi State 10; Drexel 9; Vanderbilt 9; Kansas State 8; Middle Tennessee 6; Long Beach State 3; Virginia Commonwealth 2; Weber State 2; Iowa State 1; Nevada 1.

MONDAY'S SCORES

SOUTHWEST

Ark.-Pine Bluff 61, Prairie View 58
Baylor 77, Texas 72

EAST

Fairfield 60, Marist 49
St. John's 79, DePaul 72
UConn 73, Villanova 70, OT

SOUTH

Alabama A&M 81, Alcorn St. 71
Belmont 88, SC-Upstate 79
Delaware St. 74, Hampton 68, 2OT
ETSU 66, Lipscomb 57
Florida A&M 83, SC State 82
Howard 53, Md.-Eastern Shore 51
Jacksonville 73, Kennesaw St. 71
MVSU 56, Texas Southern 53
Norfolk St. 66, Longwood 52
North Florida 75, Mercer 66
Savannah St. 67, Bethune-Cookman 44
Southern U. 55, Alabama St. 53

MONDAY'S TEXAS BOX

NO. 13 BAYLOR 77, TEXAS 72

BAYLOR (23-5): Jones III 3-14 4-6 10, Acy 7-10 8-11 22, Miller 0-4 0-0 0, Heslip 4-5 0-0 12, Jackson 5-14 12-12 25, Franklin 1-2 0-0 3, Bello 0-0 0-0 0, Walton 1-3 0-0 2, Jefferson 0-1 0-0 0, Jones 1-2 0-0 3. Totals 22-55 24-29 77.

TEXAS (17-11): Wangmene 3-5 1-3 7, Chapman 3-4 0-0 6, Lewis 3-7 2-2 9, Kabongo 2-6 8-8 12, Brown 6-14 0-1 18, McClellan 5-9 3-6 13, Bond 0-0 0-0 0, Holmes 3-7 0-0 7, Gibbs 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 25-52 14-20 72.

Halftime—Texas 36-26. 3-Point Goals—Baylor 9-18 (Heslip 4-5, Jackson 3-6, Franklin 1-2, Jones 1-2, Walton 0-1, Miller 0-2), Texas 8-17 (Brown 6-9, Lewis 1-2, Holmes 1-3, McClellan 0-1, Kabongo 0-2). Fouled Out—Wangmene. Rebounds—Baylor 34 (Acy 16), Texas 26 (Wangmene 7). Assists—Baylor 17 (Jackson 6), Texas 14 (Kabongo 5). Total Fouls—Baylor 23, Texas 24. A—14,501.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

EAST

Vermont at Binghamton, 6 p.m.
Stony Brook at Hartford, 6 p.m.
Georgetown at Seton Hall, 6 p.m.
Xavier at UMass, 6 p.m.

SOUTH

Auburn at Florida, 6 p.m.
Clemson at Georgia Tech, 6 p.m.
Wofford at UNC Greensboro, 6 p.m.
Miami at Maryland, 7 p.m.
North Carolina at NC State, 7 p.m.
Kentucky at Mississippi St., 8 p.m.
Virginia at Virginia Tech, 8 p.m.

MIDWEST

Ill.-Chicago at Butler, 6 p.m.
Kent St. at Miami (Ohio), 6 p.m.
Kansas St. at Missouri, 6 p.m.
Illinois at Ohio St., 6 p.m.
Evansville at Creighton, 7 p.m.
Cleveland St. at Green Bay, 7 p.m.
Michigan at Northwestern, 7 p.m.
Loyola of Chicago at Valparaiso, 7:05 p.m.

FAR WEST

New Mexico at Colorado St., 9 p.m.

Women

The Women's Top Twenty Five

The top 25 teams in the The Associated Press' women's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Feb. 19, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and previous ranking:

Team	Record	Pts	Prv
1. Baylor (40)	**27-0**	**1,000**	**1**
2. Stanford	24-1	945	3
3. Notre Dame	25-2	919	4
4. UConn	24-3	885	2
5. Miami	24-3	845	6
6. Maryland	23-4	781	8
7. Duke	22-4	756	5
8. Ohio St.	23-3	709	9
9. Delaware	24-1	655	10
10. Tennessee	20-7	582	13
11. Penn St.	21-5	574	12
12. Green Bay	23-1	562	11
13. Kentucky	21-5	540	7
14. Texas A&M	**19-6**	**486**	**14**
15. Georgetown	21-6	459	15
16. Louisville	19-7	321	19
17. Georgia Tech	20-7	285	20
18. Georgia	20-7	266	18
19. St. Bonaventure	25-2	245	22
20. St. John's	18-8	208	—
21. DePaul	20-7	191	24
22. Purdue	19-8	176	17
23. Nebraska	20-6	147	16
24. Rutgers	18-8	82	21
25. Gonzaga	24-4	75	—

Others receiving votes: West Virginia 65, South Carolina 54, Arkansas 29, Princeton 28, **UTEP 24,** Fresno St. 23, Vanderbilt 16, BYU 15, California 14, Middle Tennessee 13, North Carolina 10, Oklahoma 9, Florida Gulf Coast 6.

MONDAY'S SCORES

SOUTHWEST

Prairie View 72, Ark.-Pine Bluff 52

EAST

Fairleigh Dickinson 66, Wagner 62
LIU 74, Sacred Heart 68
Mount St. Mary's 60, Monmouth (NJ) 56
Penn St. 84, Ohio St. 66
Quinnipiac 64, St. Francis (NY) 41
Robert Morris 72, Bryant 68
St. Francis (Pa.) 86, CCSU 83, 2OT

MIDWEST

IPFW 70, S. Utah 60
Illinois 69, Northwestern 57
South Dakota 62, W. Illinois 47
UMKC 58, IUPUI 56

SOUTH

Alabama A&M 61, Alcorn St. 50
Alabama St. 52, Southern U. 39
Appalachian St. 85, Furman 70
Bethune-Cookman 47, Savannah St. 43
Campbell 76, Charleston Southern 58
Coastal Carolina 59, High Point 58
Davidson 63, Wofford 39
Elon 63, Coll. of Charleston 50
Florida A&M 75, SC State 69
Georgia Southern 59, UNC-Greensboro 47
Hampton 71, Delaware St. 44
Howard 62, Md.-Eastern Shore 49
Liberty 69, Presbyterian 64
Longwood 76, Gardner-Webb 65
Louisiana-Lafayette 62, Nebraska-Omaha 60, OT
MVSU 82, Texas Southern 48
Notre Dame 68, Louisville 52
W. Carolina 52, Samford 44
Winthrop 67, Radford 56

TOP 25 FARED

Monday

1. Baylor (27-0) did not play. Next: vs. Texas, Today.

2. Stanford (24-1) did not play. Next: vs. Colorado, Thursday.

3. Notre Dame (26-2) beat No. 16 Louisville 68-52. Next: vs. South Florida, Saturday.

4. UConn (24-3) did not play. Next: at Pittsburgh, Today.

5. Miami (24-3) did not play. Next: at No. 7 Duke, Friday.

6. Maryland (23-4) did not play. Next: vs. North Carolina, Friday.

7. Duke (22-4) did not play. Next: vs. No. 5 Miami, Friday.

8. Ohio State (23-4) lost to No. 11 Penn State 84-66. Next: vs. Minnesota, Thursday.

9. Delaware (24-1) did not play. Next: vs. George Mason, Thursday.

10. Tennessee (20-7) did not play. Next: vs. Arkansas, Thursday.

11. Penn State (22-5) beat No. 8 Ohio State 84-66. Next: vs. Minnesota, Sunday.

12. Green Bay (23-1) did not play. Next: vs. Valparaiso, Thursday.

13. Kentucky (22-5) beat Vanderbilt 70-61. Next: vs. South Carolina, Thursday.

14. Texas A&M (19-6) did not play. Next: at Oklahoma, Today.

15. Georgetown (21-6) did not play. Next: at Syracuse, Saturday.

16. Louisville (19-8) lost to No. 3 Notre Dame 68-52. Next: vs. No. 21 DePaul, Saturday.

17. Georgia Tech (20-7) did not play. Next: at Virginia Tech, Thursday.

18. Georgia (20-7) did not play. Next: vs. Mississippi, Thursday.

19. St. Bonaventure (25-2) did not play. Next: vs. Fordham, Wednesday.

20. St. John's (18-8) did not play. Next: vs. West Virginia, Today.

21. DePaul (20-7) did not play. Next: vs. Syracuse, Today.

22. Purdue (19-8) did not play. Next: at Michigan, Thursday.

23. Nebraska (20-6) did not play. Next: at Michigan State, Thursday.

24. Rutgers (18-8) did not play. Next: vs. Seton Hall, Today.

25. Gonzaga (24-4) did not play. Next: vs. BYU, Saturday.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

SOUTHWEST

Texas at Baylor, 6:30 p.m.
Texas A&M at Oklahoma, 7 p.m.
Kansas at Texas Tech, 7 p.m.

EAST

Kent St. at Buffalo, 6 p.m.
UConn at Pittsburgh, 6 p.m.
West Virginia at St. John's, 6 p.m.
Seton Hall at Rutgers, 6:30 p.m.

MIDWEST

Marquette at Cincinnati, 6 p.m.
Toledo at E. Michigan, 6 p.m.
Missouri at Iowa St., 7 p.m.
Syracuse at DePaul, 8 p.m.

FAR WEST

San Diego St. at Wyoming, 7 p.m.

Coll. Baseball

MONDAY'S SCORES

SOUTHWEST

St. Edward's 13, Incarnate Word 7
Texas St. 9, Louisiana-Lafayette 5

Collegiate Baseball Poll

TUCSON, Ariz. — The Collegiate Baseball poll with records through Feb. 19, points and previous rank. Voting is done by coaches, sports writers and sports information directors:

Team	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Florida	2-1	495	1
2. South Carolina	3-0	494	2
3. Stanford	3-0	493	3
4. Texas A&M	**3-0**	**490**	**6**
5. Rice	**3-0**	**487**	**7**
6. North Carolina	2-1	485	4
7. Texas	**2-1**	**482**	**5**
8. Arkansas	3-0	480	8
9. Louisiana St.	3-0	479	12
10. Georgia Tech	3-1	477	9
11. Florida St.	3-0	475	13
12. Miami, Fla.	3-0	473	14
13. Arizona St.	3-0	471	17
14. Georgia	3-0	468	18
15. Texas Christian	**1-1**	**467**	**10**
16. Louisville	2-1	464	15
17. Oklahoma	1-2	461	16
18. St. John's	1-2	458	11
19. Cal St. Fullerton	1-2	457	21
20. California	3-0	454	22
21. Oregon St.	3-1	449	24
22. Arizona	2-1	447	20
23. Stetson	3-0	444	26
24. Oregon	2-1	442	27
25. Clemson	2-1	439	25
26. Baylor	**3-0**	**437**	**28**
27. U.C. Irvine	3-0	436	29
28. Southern Miss.	2-1	433	30
29. Coll. of Charleston	3-0	429	—
30. Georgia Southern	3-0	426	—

Baseball America Top 25

DURHAM, N.C. — The top 25 teams in the Baseball America poll with records through Feb. 19 and previous ranking (voting by the staff of Baseball America):

Team	Record	Pvs
1. Florida	2-1	1
2. Stanford	3-0	2
3. South Carolina	3-0	3
4. Arkansas	3-0	4
5. Rice	**3-0**	**6**
6. Texas A&M	**3-0**	**7**
7. Louisiana State	3-0	8
8. Arizona	2-1	5
9. Georgia	3-0	11
10. North Carolina	2-1	9
11. Georgia Tech	3-1	12
12. Texas	**2-1**	**13**
13. Arizona State	3-0	17
14. Miami	3-0	18
15. Texas Christian	**1-1**	**15**
16. Clemson	2-1	16
17. Vanderbilt	0-3	10
18. Florida State	3-0	20
19. Central Florida	3-0	21
20. Mississippi	1-1	22
21. Oregon State	3-1	23
22. UCLA	1-2	14
23. Oklahoma	1-2	19
24. Louisville	2-1	24
25. Baylor	**3-0**	**NR**

Tennis

WTA Whirlpool Monterrey Open Results

Monday

At Sierra Madre Tennis Club

Monterrey, Mexico

Purse: $220,000 (Intl.)

Surface: Hard-Outdoor

Singles

First Round

Nina Bratchikova, Russia, def. Anastasia Pivovarova, Russia, 6-3, 6-1.

Alexandra Cadantu, Romania, def. Jelena Dokic, Australia, 3-6, 6-1, 7-5.

Roberta Vinci (1), Italy, def. CoCo Vandeweghe, United States, 7-5, 7-5.

ATP World Tour Open 13 Results

Monday

At Palais des Sports

Marseille, France

Purse: $761,000 (WT250)

Surface: Hard-Indoor

Singles

First Round

Ivan Ljubicic (7), Croatia, def. Florent Serra, France, 6-4, 6-7 (3), 6-3.

Edouard Roger-Vasselin, France, def. Jarkko Nieminen, Finland, 6-2, 7-6 (4).

Flavio Cipolla, Italy, def. Andreas Seppi (8), Italy, 6-4, 7-6 (4).

RMK Championships & Memphis International Results

Monday

At The Racquet Club of Memphis

Memphis, Tenn.

Purse: Men, $1,281,500 (WT500); Women, $220,000 (Intl.)

Surface: Hard-Indoor

Singles

Men

First Round

Ivan Dodig, Croatia, def. Bernard Tomic (8), Australia, 5-7, 6-4, 7-6 (8).

Donald Young, United States, def. Grigor Dimitrov, Bulgaria, 7-6 (4), 4-6, 7-6 (6).

Women

First Round

Sofia Arvidsson, Sweden, def. Heather Watson, Britain, 6-2, 6-3.

Michaella Krajicek, Netherlands, def. Elena Baltacha (6), Britain, 6-2, 6-1.

Varvara Lepchenko, United States, def. Lauren Davis, United States, 7-5, 6-3.

Vera Dushevina, Russia, def. Madison Keys, United States, 6-2, 7-5.

Lucie Hradecka (3), Czech Republic, def. Anna Tatishvili, Georgia, 6-3, 6-1.

Marina Erakovic (4), New Zealand, def. Sloane Stephens, United States, 4-6, 6-0, 6-1.

Lesia Tsurenko, Ukraine, def. Alexa Glatch, United States, 2-6, 7-6 (5), 6-2.

GOLF

Money Leaders

PGA Tour FedExCup Standings

Through Feb. 19

Rank Name	Points	Bonus Money
1. Kyle Stanley	889	$1,843,515
2. Johnson Wagner	840	$1,636,798
3. Phil Mickelson	807	$1,789,931
4. Bill Haas	729	$1,616,659
5. Brandt Snedeker	648	$1,337,879
6. Mark Wilson	602	$1,168,343
7. Steve Stricker	530	$1,142,000
8. Keegan Bradley	457	$941,217
9. Ben Crane	453	$980,600
10. Martin Laird	364	$770,539
11. Spencer Levin	352	$661,988
12. Harrison Frazar	352	$667,986
13. Charlie Wi	346	$735,616
14. John Rollins	340	$727,668
15. Kevin Na	302	$640,116
16. Sean O'Hair	301	$520,554
17. Aaron Baddeley	296	$599,866
18. Carl Pettersson	278	$444,985
19. Ricky Barnes	271	$505,523
20. Webb Simpson	270	$561,800
21. Jimmy Walker	264	$587,963
22. Charles Howell III	264	$427,087
23. Bubba Watson	264	$534,567
24. Robert Garrigus	257	$490,069
25. D.A. Points	251	$501,043
26. Bryce Molder	248	$485,906
27. Dustin Johnson	247	$534,910
28. Jonathan Byrd	243	$560,400
29. Pat Perez	242	$374,309
30. John Mallinger	234	$447,257
31. Cameron Tringale	211	$359,558
32. Jeff Maggert	208	$364,477
33. John Huh	208	$381,132
34. Brendon de Jonge	203	$327,480
35. Hunter Mahan	192	$360,840
36. Jarrod Lyle	184	$348,515
37. Zach Johnson	183	$296,399
38. Scott Piercy	178	$288,955
39. K.J. Choi	178	$316,940
40. Bo Van Pelt	170	$374,688
41. Brendon Todd	168	$304,207
42. Rory Sabbatini	168	$292,956
43. Bud Cauley	166	$191,470
44. John Senden	166	$262,688
45. Brian Gay	164	$268,511
46. D.J. Trahan	162	$314,650
47. Harris English	161	$225,295
48. Vijay Singh	159	$201,355
49. Jason Dufner	158	$309,477
49. Ken Duke	158	$271,593
51. Michael Thompson	152	$276,916
52. Bobby Gates	150	$228,379
53. Brendan Steele	150	$315,218
54. Chris Kirk	144	$242,392
55. Josh Teater	143	$145,582
56. David Toms	140	$260,600
57. Sang-Moon Bae	135	$170,816
58. Rod Pampling	130	$262,650
59. Nick Watney	129	$196,797
60. Ryan Moore	127	$188,038
61. George McNeill	127	$131,068
62. Matt Kuchar	126	$137,486
63. Martin Flores	125	$243,067
64. Chris Stroud	117	$225,267
65. Marc Leishman	116	$168,994
66. Padraig Harrington	113	$226,913
67. Sergio Garcia	109	$259,875
68. Chris DiMarco	108	$142,809
69. Kevin Chappell	105	$119,687
70. J.B. Holmes	104	$209,261
71. Rickie Fowler	103	$153,969
72. Jason Kokrak	102	$195,868
73. Bob Estes	102	$158,400
74. David Hearn	99	$170,579
75. Camilo Villegas	99	$142,173
76. Ryan Palmer	96	$104,358
77. Stewart Cink	96	$142,952
78. Trevor Immelman	94	$157,200
79. Jim Furyk	94	$180,250
80. James Driscoll	94	$97,095
81. J.J. Killeen	92	$81,438
82. Gary Woodland	91	$137,670
83. Justin Rose	91	$152,850
84. Matt Every	89	$178,063
85. Jonas Blixt	89	$91,990
85. Justin Leonard	89	$185,488
87. Kevin Stadler	88	$113,058
88. Roberto Castro	88	$75,076
89. William McGirt	88	$100,883
90. Kevin Streelman	83	$180,289
91. Greg Chalmers	83	$97,943
92. Robert Allenby	82	$89,146
92. Michael Bradley	82	$103,600
94. Seung-Yul Noh	82	$84,686
95. Greg Owen	78	$177,240
96. Graham DeLaet	77	$79,217
97. Miguel Angel Carballo	77	$84,011
98. Joe Ogilvie	77	$98,601
99. Jhonattan Vegas	76	$91,729
100. Bill Lunde	74	$123,920

Champions Tour Charles Schwab Cup Leaders

Through Feb. 19

Rank Name	Points	Money
1. Dan Forsman	307	$330,893
2. Corey Pavin	270	$299,387
3. Bernhard Langer	259	$291,150
4. Kenny Perry	240	$266,420
5. Michael Allen	239	$263,382
6. Jay Haas	203	$202,750
7. John Cook	200	$217,910
8. Jay Don Blake	186	$231,132
9. Peter Senior	158	$171,360
10. Gary Hallberg	144	$147,737
11. Jeff Sluman	128	$149,200
12. Mark Calcavecchia	118	$149,200
13. Brad Bryant	100	$101,720
14. Tom Lehman	95	$146,220
14. Bill Glasson	95	$124,267
14. Mike Goodes	95	$117,067
17. Russ Cochran	82	$113,560
18. Tom Watson	60	$60,000
19. Nick Price	58	$108,200
19. Larry Mize	58	$98,900
21. David Frost	51	$94,000
22. Rod Spittle	42	$64,200
23. Olin Browne	40	$96,453
23. John Huston	40	$68,660
23. Fred Funk	40	$41,016

LPGA TOUR

Rank Name	Trn	Money
1. Yani Tseng	2	$251,406
2. Jessica Korda	1	$165,000
3. Ai Miyazato	1	$140,688
4. Jiyai Shin	2	$115,992
5. Stacy Lewis	2	$113,081
6. Brittany Lincicome	2	$80,576
7. Amy Yang	1	$78,951
8. Hee Kyung Seo	2	$71,487
9. Julieta Granada	2	$68,291
10. Jenny Shin	2	$64,479
11. So Yeon Ryu	1	$63,784
12. Jimin Kang	2	$53,005
13. Amanda Blumenherst	2	$52,078
14. Shanshan Feng	1	$49,297
15. Anna Nordqvist	2	$41,065
16. Katie Futcher	2	$36,696
17. Mina Harigae	2	$36,029
18. Karrie Webb	2	$35,882
19. Suzann Pettersen	2	$29,040
20. Hee Young Park	2	$28,884
21. Angela Stanford	2	$27,141
22. Cristie Kerr	2	$26,815
23. Beatriz Recari	2	$26,378
24. Kristy McPherson	2	$24,519
25. Eun-Hee Ji	2	$23,630
26. Pornanong Phatlum	2	$23,107
27. Azahara Munoz	2	$22,160
28. Meena Lee	2	$21,862
29. Sophie Gustafson	2	$19,154
30. Chella Choi	2	$18,277
30. Jennifer Johnson	2	$18,277
32. Caroline Hedwall	2	$16,948
32. Sarah Kemp	1	$16,948
34. Mika Miyazato	1	$16,792
35. Na Yeon Choi	1	$14,173
35. Catriona Matthew	1	$14,173
35. Se Ri Pak	1	$14,173
38. Morgan Pressel	2	$13,625
39. Cydney Clanton	1	$13,372
40. Katherine Hull	2	$13,071
41. Ryann O'Toole	2	$12,840
42. Vicky Hurst	2	$12,555
43. Sandra Gal	2	$12,412
44. Lorie Kane	1	$12,248
45. Christel Boeljon	2	$11,862
45. Karen Stupples	1	$11,862
47. Brittany Lang	2	$11,481
48. Kyeong Bae	1	$10,346
48. Meaghan Francella	1	$10,346
48. Mo Martin	1	$10,346
48. Jennifer Song	1	$10,346
48. Lexi Thompson	2	$10,346

Nationwide Tour

Through Feb. 19

Rank Name	Trn	Money
1. Skip Kendall	1	$108,000
2. Andres Gonzales	1	$52,800
2. Andrew Svoboda	1	$52,800
4. James Hahn	1	$26,400
4. Kirk Triplett	1	$26,400
6. Tom Hoge	1	$19,425
6. Kevin Johnson	1	$19,425
6. Bronson La'Cassie	1	$19,425
6. Charles Warren	1	$19,425
10. Michael Connell	1	$16,200
11. Oscar Serna	1	$14,400
11. Brian Smock	1	$14,400
13. Jason Allred	1	$10,286
13. Paul Claxton	1	$10,286
13. Ryan Hietala	1	$10,286
13. Billy Horschel	1	$10,286
13. Peter Lonard	1	$10,286
13. Michael Sim	1	$10,286
13. Tyrone Van Aswegen	1	$10,286
20. Erik Flores	1	$6,291
20. Scott Gardiner	1	$6,291
20. Fabian Gomez	1	$6,291
20. Travis Hampshire	1	$6,291
20. Steve LeBrun	1	$6,291
20. Troy Merritt	1	$6,291
20. Dicky Pride	1	$6,291
27. Andy Bare	1	$4,260
27. Cesar Costilla	1	$4,260
27. Derek Fathauer	1	$4,260
27. Brian Stuard	1	$4,260
27. Hudson Swafford	1	$4,260
27. Will Wilcox	1	$4,260
33. D.J. Brigman	1	$3,480
33. Paul Haley II	1	$3,480
33. Darron Stiles	1	$3,480
33. Manuel Villegas	1	$3,480
33. Lee Williams	1	$3,480
38. Ben Briscoe	1	$2,708
38. Christopher DeForest	1	$2,708
38. Doug LaBelle II	1	$2,708
38. Mike Lavery	1	$2,708
38. Luke List	1	$2,708
38. Scott Parel	1	$2,708
38. Scott Sterling	1	$2,708
38. Jerod Turner	1	$2,708
46. Robert Damron	1	$2,198
46. Steve Friesen	1	$2,198
46. Chris Nallen	1	$2,198
46. Paul Stankowski	1	$2,198
50. Benjamin Alvarado	1	$1,995
50. Andres Echavarria	1	$1,995
50. Brad Fritsch	1	$1,995
50. Won Joon Lee	1	$1,995
50. David Lingmerth	1	$1,995
50. Nate Smith	1	$1,995
50. Roger Tambellini	1	$1,995
50. Tim Wilkinson	1	$1,995

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
N.Y. Rangers	57	38	14	5	81	161	116
New Jersey	58	34	20	4	72	164	159
Philadelphia	58	32	19	7	71	193	177
Pittsburgh	59	33	21	5	71	184	160
N.Y. Islanders	59	25	26	8	58	139	174

Northeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	57	35	20	2	72	190	132
Ottawa	61	31	22	8	70	185	183
Toronto	59	29	24	6	64	178	180
Montreal	60	24	26	10	58	160	164
Buffalo	59	25	27	7	57	148	175

Southeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Florida	58	27	20	11	65	144	162
Winnipeg	61	29	26	6	64	153	170
Washington	59	29	25	5	63	159	168
Tampa Bay	58	26	26	6	58	163	195
Carolina	60	23	26	11	57	158	181

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	60	41	17	2	84	190	139
St. Louis	59	36	16	7	79	150	117
Nashville	59	34	19	6	74	165	154
Chicago	60	32	21	7	71	189	178
Columbus	59	17	35	7	41	136	195

Northwest Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Vancouver	59	38	15	6	82	194	144
Calgary	59	28	22	9	65	142	155
Colorado	60	29	27	4	62	151	168
Minnesota	59	26	24	9	61	131	154
Edmonton	58	22	30	6	50	153	177

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	57	31	19	7	69	167	142
Phoenix	59	29	21	9	67	152	147
Los Angeles	59	27	21	11	65	124	126
Dallas	59	29	26	4	62	152	167
Anaheim	59	25	24	10	60	152	168

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

Monday's Scores

Ottawa 6, N.Y. Islanders 0
Carolina 5, Washington 0

Today's Games

N.Y. Islanders at Buffalo, 6 p.m.
New Jersey at Toronto, 6 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Pittsburgh, 6 p.m.
San Jose at Columbus, 6 p.m.
Philadelphia at Winnipeg, 6 p.m.
Dallas at Montreal, 6:30 p.m.
Anaheim at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Nashville, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago, 7 p.m.
Edmonton at Calgary, 8 p.m.
Los Angeles at Phoenix, 8 p.m.

MONDAY'S SUMMARY

HURRICANES 5, CAPITALS 0

Washington	0	0	0	— 0
Carolina	3	1	1	— 5

First Period—1, Carolina, Faulk 6 (Brent, Tlusty), 3:41 (pp). 2, Carolina, Stewart 7 (E.Staal, Tlusty), 5:09. 3, Carolina, Nodl 3 (Bra.Sutter), 19:30.

Second Period—4, Carolina, E.Staal 17, 5:56 (sh).

Third Period—5, Carolina, E.Staal 18 (Spacek), 5:51.

Shots on Goal—Washington 5-6-6—17. Carolina 16-12-12—40.

Goalies—Washington, Vokoun, Neuvirth. Carolina, Peters. A—16,837 (18,680). T—2:29.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Agreed to terms with OF Manny Ramirez on a minor league contract.

TEXAS RANGERS—Agreed to terms with LHP Neal Cotts on a minor league contract.

National League

COLORADO ROCKIES—Agreed to terms with manager Jim Tracy on a contract extension through the 2013 season.

MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Agreed to terms with RHP Tim Dillard, RHP Marco Estrada, RHP Mike McClendon, RHP Mark Rogers and C Martin Maldonado on one-year contracts.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Placed INF Gustavo Nunez on the 60-day DL.

American Association

EL PASO DIABLOS—Released LHP Adam Rowe.

FARGO-MOORHEAD REDHAWKS—Signed OF Nic Jackson.

Frontier League

LONDON RIPPERS—Signed INF Brad Agustin, INF Josh Federico and INF Rafael Ortega.

LAKE ERIE CRUSHERS—Signed 3B Jason Taylor to a contract extension.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS MINERS—Traded RHP Erik Draxton to Abilene (NAL) for RHP Alex Casillas.

WASHINGTON WILD THINGS—Named Tim Ferguson pitching coach. Traded INF Trevor Bloom, INF Scott Lawson and RHP Ryan Turner to San Angelo (NAL) for RHP Corey Goudeau, SS Clint Stroud and RHP Andy Wells. Signed 1B Michael Bando and RHP Alfredo Caballero.

North American League

SAN ANGELO COLTS—Traded RHP Josh Giles, RHP Alex Casillas, RHP Sean Keeler and INF Brandon Jones to Abilene for future considerations.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

NBA—Suspended Boston G Rajon Rondo two games for throwing a ball at an official and striking him in the chest during a Feb. 19 game at Detroit.

HOUSTON ROCKETS—Recalled F Marcus Morris from Rio Grande Valley (NBADL).

SAN ANTONIO SPURS—Signed F Eric Dawson to a 10-day contract.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS—Agreed to terms with CB Stanford Routt on a three-year contract.

NBA Development League

RIO GRANDE VALLEY VIPERS—Acquired a 2012 third-round draft pick from Canton, sent F Ernest Scott to Reno and Canton received F Terrance Thomas from Reno.

Arena Football League

ARIZONA RATTLERS—Signed QB Nick Davila.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

BOSTON BRUINS—Recalled F Carter Camper from Providence (AHL).

CAROLINA HURRICANES—Recalled G Mike Murphy from Charlotte (AHL).

MINNESOTA WILD—Reassigned F Jeff Taffe to Houston (AHL).

ST. LOUIS BLUES—Assigned G Ben Bishop to Peoria (AHL).

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING—Recalled F Trevor Smith from Norfolk (AHL).

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS—Sent D Keith Aulie to Toronto (AHL).

Central Hockey League

ALLEN AMERICANS—Placed F John May on waivers. Announced D Tyler Ludwig was assigned to the team by San Antonio (AHL).

EVANSVILLE ICEMEN—Announced F Mike Sgroi was activated from league suspension.

SOCCER

Major League Soccer

SOCCER UNITED MARKETING—Named Maribeth Towers senior vice president of consumer products.

DC UNITED—Signed MF Dwayne De Rosario.

COLLEGE

ALABAMA—Suspended junior basketball F Tony Mitchell for the rest of the season. Reinstated senior basketball F JaMychal Green.

HAMLINE—Announced the resignation of athletic director Bob Beeman at the end of the school year.

MISSISSIPPI STATE—Announced the retirement of women's basketball coach Sharon Fanning-Otis, at the end of this season.

AUTO RACING

NHRA

Leaders
Through Feb. 19

Top Fuel

1, Antron Brown, 212. 2, Tony Schumacher, 180. 3, Spencer Massey, 176. 4, Morgan Lucas, 143. 5, Shawn Langdon, 139.6. Clay Millican, 126. 7 (tie), Steve Torrence and Bob Vandergriff, 89. 9 (tie), Brandon Bernstein and Doug Kalitta, 85.

Funny Car

1, Mike Neff, 196. 2, Robert Hight, 154. 3, John Force, 150. 4, Jack Beckman, 137. 5, Ron Capps, 125. 6, Courtney Force, 124. 7, Todd Lesenko, 102. 8, Johnny Gray, 99. 9, Jeff Arend, 84. 10, Gary Densham, 83.

Pro Stock

1, Greg Anderson, 209. 2, Jason Line, 208. 3, Mike Edwards, 147. 4, Rodger Brogdon, 125. 5, Jeg Coughlin, 122. 6, Vincent Nobile, 111. 7, Greg Stanfield, 103. 8, Allen Johnson, 93. 9 (tie), Erica Enders, Shane Gray and Larry Morgan, 84.

Schedules

2012 NASCAR Sprint Cup schedule

x-non-points race

Feb. 18 — x-Budweiser Shootout, Daytona Beach, Fla. (Kyle Busch)

Thursday — x-Gatorade Duel 1, Daytona Beach, Fla.

Thursday — x-Gatorade Duel 2, Daytona Beach, Fla.

Feb. 26 — Daytona 500, Daytona Beach, Fla.

March 4 — Subway Fresh Fit 500, Avondale, Ariz.

March 11 — Kobalt Tools 400, Las Vegas

March 18 — Food City 500, Bristol, Tenn.

March 25 — Auto Club 400, Fontana, Calif.

April 1 — Goody's Fast Relief 500, Ridgeway, Va.

April 14 — Samsung Mobile 500, Fort Worth

April 22 — STP 400, Kansas City, Kan.

April 28 — Richmond 400, Richmond, Va.

May 6 — Aaron's 499, Talladega, Ala.

May 12 — Southern 500, Darlington, S.C.

May 19 — x-Sprint Showdown, Concord, N.C.

May 19 — x-Sprint All-Star, Concord, N.C.

May 27 — Coca-Cola 600, Concord, N.C.

June 3 — Dover 400, Dover, Del.

June 10 — Pocono 400, Long Pond, Pa.

June 17 — Heluva Good! Sour Cream Dips 400, Brooklyn, Mich.

June 24 — Toyota/Save Mart 350, Sonoma, Calif.

June 30 — Quaker State 400, Sparta, Ky.

July 7 — Coke Zero 400, Daytona Beach, Fla.

July 15 — Lenox Industrial Tools 301, Loudon, N.H.

July 29 — "Your Hero's Name Here" 400 at the Brickyard, Indianapolis

Aug. 5 — Pennsylvania 400, Long Pond, Pa.

Aug. 12 — NASCAR Sprint Cup Series at The Glen, Watkins Glen, N.Y.

Aug. 19 — Pure Michigan 400, Brooklyn, Mich.

Aug. 25 — Irwin Tools Night Race, Bristol, Tenn.

Sept. 2 — AdvoCare 500, Hampton, Ga.

Sept. 8 — Wonderful Pistachios 400, Richmond, Va.

Sept. 16 — Geico 400, Joliet, Ill.

Sept. 23 — Sylvania 300, Loudon, N.H.

Sept. 30 — AAA 400, Dover, Del.

Oct. 7 — Good Sam Club 500, Talladega, Ala.

Oct. 13 — Bank of America 500, Concord, N.C.

Oct. 21 — Hollywood Casino 400, Kansas City, Kan.

Oct. 28 — Tums Fast Relief 500, Ridgeway, Va.

Nov. 4 — AAA Texas 500, Fort Worth

Nov. 11 — Kobalt Tools 500, Avondale, Ariz.

Nov. 18 — Ford 400, Homestead, Fla.

2012 NASCAR Nationwide Series schedule

Feb. 25 — DRIVE4COPD 300, Daytona Beach, Fla.

March 3 — Bashas' Supermarkets 200, Avondale, Ariz.

March 10 — Sam's Town 300, Las Vegas

March 17 — St. Patrick's Day 300, Bristol, Tenn.

March 24 — Royal Purple 300, Fontana, Calif.

April 13 — O'Reilly Auto Parts 300, Fort Worth

April 27 — Richmond 250, Richmond, Va.

May 5 — Aaron's 312, Talladega, Ala.

May 11 — Darlington 200, Darlington, S.C.

May 20 — Iowa Spring 250, Newton, Iowa

May 26 — History 300, Concord, N.C.

June 2 — 5-hour Energy 200, Dover, Del.

June 16 — Alliance Auto Parts 250, Brooklyn, Mich.

June 23 — Road America 200, Elkhart Lake, Wis.

June 29 — Feed the Children 300, Sparta, Ky.

July 6 — Subway Jalapeno 250, Daytona Beach, Fla.

July 14 — New England 200, Loudon, N.H.

July 22 — STP 300, Joliet, Ill.

July 28 — Indy 250, Indianapolis

Aug. 4 — Iowa Summer 250, Newton, Iowa

Aug. 11 — Zippo 200 at The Glen, Watkins Glen, N.Y.

Aug. 18 — NAPA Auto Parts 200, Montreal

Aug. 24 — Food City 250, Bristol, Tenn.

Sept. 1 — Atlanta 300, Hampton, Ga.

Sept. 7 — Virginia 529 College Savings 250, Richmond, Va.

Sept. 15 — Dollar General 300, Joliet, Ill.

Sept. 22 — Kentucky 300, Sparta, Ky.

Sept. 29 — Dover 200, Del.

Oct. 12 — Dollar General 300, Concord, N.C.

Oct. 20 — Kansas Lottery 300, Kansas City, Kan.

Nov. 3 — O'Reilly Auto Parts Challenge, Fort Worth

Nov. 10 — Wypall 200, Avondale, Ariz.

Nov. 17 — Ford 300, Homestead, Fla.

2012 NASCAR Camping World schedule

Feb. 24 — NextEra Energy Resources 250, Daytona Beach, Fla.

March 31 — Kroger 250, Ridgeway, Va.

April 15 — Good Sam Roadside Assistance Carolina 200, Rockingham, N.C.

April 21 — SFP 250, Kansas City, Kan.

May 18 — N.C. Education Lottery 200, Concord, N.C.

June 1 — Lucas Oil 200, Dover, Del.

June 8 — WinStar World Casino 400, Fort Worth

June 28 — UNOH 225, Sparta, Ky.

July 14 — Iowa 200, Newton, Iowa

July 21 — NASCAR Camping World Series 250, Joliet, Ill.

2012 Formula One schedule

March 18 — Australian Grand Prix, Melbourne

March 25 — Petronas Malaysia Grand Prix, Kuala Lumpur

April 15 — UBS Chinese Grand Prix, Shanghai

April 22 — Gulf Air Bahrain Grand Prix, Sakhir

May 13 — Gran Premio de Espana Santander, Santander, Spain

May 27 — Grand Prix de Monaco, Monte Carlo

June 10 — Grand Prix du Canada, Montreal

June 24 — Grand Prix of Europe, Valencia, Spain

July 8 — Santander British Grand Prix, Silverstone, England

July 22 — Grosser Preis Santander von Deutschland, Hockenheim, Germany

July 29 — Eni Magyar Nagydij, Budapest, Hungary

Sept. 2 — Shell Belgian Grand Prix, Spa-Francorchamps

Sept. 9 — Gran Premio Santander d'Italia, Monza, Italy

Sept. 23 — Singtel Singapore Grand Prix

Oct. 7 — Japanese Grand Prix, Suzuka

Oct. 14 — Korean Grand Prix, Yeongam

Oct. 28 — Airtel Indian Grand Prix, New Delhi

Nov. 4 — Etihad Airways Abu Dhabi Grand Prix, Yas Marina, United Arab Emirates

Nov. 18 — United States Grand Prix, Austin

Nov. 25 — Grande Premio do Brasil, Sao Paulo

LOCAL SPORTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MCS SOFTBALL TEAM WINS DIVISION, RAINED OUT

SAN ANTONIO — The final two days of the San Angelo Bash It Out softball tournament was rained out, and Midland Christian had the most points in Division II and was awarded the win.

Midland Christian beat Brady, 10-4, and San Angelo Central JV, 12-1, last Thursday and because of those two victories won the division title.

Midland Christian will return to action today with a non-district game against Reagan County before competing in this weekend's West Texas Classic at the Freddie Ezell Softball Complex.

SATURDAY'S LATE HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

BOYS

GRADY 73, VEGA 65

Grady (26-4) — Glaze 2, Clay 24, Richards 26, Jimenez 2, Polson 6, Rodriquez 8, Sanjuan 1
Vega — Rohrbach 27, Morris 10, McKarns 7, Jones 6, Galbraith 5, Fangman 3, Scott 2

Grady	13	21	19	20—73
Vega	18	15	15	17—65

Free throws — Grady 16-22, Vega 21-27. 3-point goals — Grady 7 (Clay 4, Richards 3), Vega 2 (Rohrback, Galbraith). Total fouls — Grady 20, Vega 18. Fouled out — Grady, Polson; Clay; Vega, Galbraith.

UTPB ROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

FALCONS WIN THRILLER OVER DALLAS BAPTIST

DALLAS — The Heartland Conference Tournament is still within the University of Texas of the Permian Bains men's basketball team after taking a 52-51 victory against Dallas Baptist on Monday. UTPB now sits at 7-6 in league play with one regular season game left on the schedule.

UTPB is still fighting for one of the top four spots in the league and is still in a must-win situation in its upcoming game against St. Edward's.

Even with a win Saturday afternoon, the Falcons will still need some help to receive the automatic berth. A loss and the Falcons may have to appear in a play-in game, with the winner advancing to the conference tournament.

UTPB SWIMMERS COMPETE AT CONFERENCE MEET

SAN ANTONIO — University of Texas of the Permian Basin freshman Alesx Ruata was named Freshman of the Year at the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference meet this past weekend.

Ruata set school records in the 100-yard and 200-yard breastroke, and the 400-yard invidiual medley. Ruata had a time of 4:03.76 in the 400 IM,a nd has a chance to qualify for the NCAA meet. Ruata had a time of 2:03.67 in the breastroke, and was the second leg in the 400 medley relay.

Also on the men's side, the 400 freestyle relay team set a school record with a time fo 6:57.54, and also in the 200 freestyle relay at 1:24.24.

For the women, Jennifer Gunderson set a school record in the 100 and 200 backstroke, with a time of 58.46 in the 100 backstroke and 2:08.14 in the 200 backstroke.

Amanda Thompson set a school record in the 1,000 freestyle at 11:07.25, and Hannah Hamilton set a school record in the 100 freestyle at 1:01.63.

Rachel Duhon set school marks in the 200 butterfly (2:13.20), 200 individual medly (2:15.46) and 400 IM (4:46.34).

All five relay teams sent school records in the 200 freestyle relay, 400 freestyle relay, 800 freestyle relay, 200 medley relay and 400 medley relay.

Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Kaegan Davis, right, takes a shot at the goal and scores as he's guarded by San Angelo Central's Ryan Carter, left, on Saturday during their game at Grande Communications Stadium.

HSSOCCERTODAY

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Boys

ABILENE HIGH AT LEE

When/where: 5:30 p.m. today, Grande Communications Stadium

Records: Lee 3-8-2, 2-2-0-1 (7 points) in District 3-5A; Abilene High 4-7-2, 0-5-0-0 (0 points)

Last game: San Angelo Central 4, Lee 2; Odessa Permian 2, Abilene High 0

Notes & Quotes: The Rebels conclude the first half of the district season with a game against an Abilene High team that has yet to win in league play this season. But even with the winless mark in district. Lee coach Scott Hicks said the Eagles are good defensively and have the ability to score. "They are playing really good defense, and they may be in a similar scenario as far as other teams, but they are getting the opportunity to score and not putting the ball in the back of the net, which is our problem," Hicks said. ... The injury bug has hit the Rebels as three key players will either be out or are questionable for today's game. Hicks said that midfielder Trent Johnston has a lower leg injury that will keep him out for at least today, and possibly longer. Jakab Marquez didn't play on Saturday, and Hicks said he is expected to play today. Goalkeeper Juan Baeza suffered hand injury on Saturday, and could be out today as well. If Baeza can't go, backup Zach Munguia will likely play. ... Abilene High has yet to score a point in district play this season, suffering five straight league losses in regulation.

Next: Lee at Odessa High, Noon Saturday, Ratliff Stadium, Odessa; San Angelo Central at Abilene High, Noon Saturday, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene

MIDLAND HIGH AT ABILENE COOPER

When/where: 5:30 p.m. today, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene

Records: Midland High 7-7-2, 2-2-0-1 (7 points) in 3-5A; Abilene Cooper 8-7-0, 3-1-1-0 (11 points)

Last game: Midland High 3, Abilene High 2 on Feb. 14; Abilene Cooper 2, Odessa High 1

Notes & Quotes: The final game of the first half of the 3-5A schedule is big for the Bulldogs, who had last Saturday off after a key victory against Abilene High last week. That victory against the Eagles helped move Midland High to third in the standings as it is now four points behind the Cougars. The Bulldogs are tied with rival Lee, OHS and Central. ... Midland High coach Warren Cottle said that Cooper is playing as well as any team in the district right now, and added that the Cougars' system is similar to what the Bulldogs use. "Defensively, they have been very, very good and they play a lot like us," Cottle said. "Our two systems are pretty much identical in how we play." ... Cooper moved into second place in the district standings with a 2-1 road victory against Odessa High last Saturday at Ratliff Stadium. ... Cottle said he is starting to see more consistency out of his team, and was impressed with how well his team worked out on Thursday. "Our attitude has been phenomenal, and most of the time we are on the same page and focused," Cottle said. "I think the boys are ready to go."

Next: Odessa Permian at Midland High, Noon Saturday, Grande Communications Stadium; Abilene Cooper at Odessa Permian, 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 28, Ratliff Stadium, Odessa

Girls

ABILENE HIGH AT LEE

When/where: 7:30 p.m. today, Grande Communications Stadium

Records: Lee 8-7-0, 1-4-0-0 (3 points) in District 3-5A; Abilene High 11-5-0, 2-2-1-0 (8 points)

Last game: San Angelo Central 3, Lee 0; Odessa Permian 2, Abilene High 1

Notes & Quotes: The Lady Rebels may be ending the first half of the District 3-5A season tonight, but they are likely playing for their playoff lives tonight. Lee is in sixth place in the 3-5A standings, and other than the two goals the Lady Rebels scored in a victory against Abilene Cooper, they have been held without a goal. ... Lee will take on an Abilene High team that is in its own slide recently as the Lady Eagles lost their second straight district game on Saturday, falling to Odessa Permian at home. Abilene High started the season with two regulation wins and a shootout victory before falling to Midland High and Odessa Permian in consecutive games.

Next: Lee at Odessa High, Noon Saturday, Ratliff Stadium, Odessa; San Angelo Central at Abilene High, Noon Saturday, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene

MIDLAND HIGH AT ABILENE COOPER

When/where: 7:30 p.m. today, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene

Records: Midland High 11-5-1, 4-0-1-0 (14 points); Abilene Cooper 3-11-0, 0-5-0-0 (0 points)

Last game: Midland High 3, Abilene High 0 on Feb. 14; Odessa High 1, Abilene Cooper 0

Notes & Quotes: The Lady Bulldogs did not play Saturday, and co-head coach Joe Horn said he and co-head coach Jim Bragg gave the squad Friday off. Midland High has a one-point lead in the district standings on the final day of the first half of the league season. The Lady Bulldogs are nearly perfect in scoring points with 14 and is one point ahead of Odessa High and four ahead of San Angelo Central, who are both tied for second place at 10 points. ... Horn said that McKenzi McAdams will likely miss tonight's game again as she is dealing with a foot injury, which goes along with coming back from off-season knee surgery. Horn said she hasn't been 100 percent for much of the season and was wearing a boot on the sidelines against Abilene High last week. ... The Lady Cougars are winless in district season, but Horn said they have been able to score and are playing better after an 8-1 loss to San Angelo Central a few weeks ago. "We can't take any team for granted," Horn said. "We just have to play hard every game."

Next: Odessa Permian at Midland High, 2 p.m. Saturday, Grande Communications Stadium; Abilene Cooper at Odessa Permian, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 28, Ratliff Stadium, Odessa

Compiled by Len Hayward

3-5A Soccer standings

Boys

	District				Overall		
Team	W	L	SOW	SOL	Pts.	W	L	T
Odessa Permian	6	0	0	0	18	11	5	1
Abilene Cooper	3	1	1	0	11	8	7	0
Midland High	3	2	0	1	7	7	7	2
Lee	2	2	0	1	7	3	8	2
Odessa High	1	3	2	0	7	8	5	4
San Angelo Central	2	3	0	1	7	5	9	0
Abilene High	0	5	0	0	0	4	7	

Note: Three points are awarded for a win, 2 points for a Shootout win (SOW) and 1 point for a Shootout loss (SOL)

Saturday's Scores
San Angelo Central 4, Lee 2; Odessa Permian 2, Abilene High 0; Abilene Cooper 2, Odessa High 1; Midland High was idle.

Monday's Score
Odessa High 2, San Angelo Central 1, SO (4-3)

Today's Games
Abilene High at Lee; Midland High at Abilene Cooper; Odessa Permian is idle. All games at 5:30 p.m.

Girls

	District				Overall		
Team	W	L	SOW	SOL	Pts.	W	L	T
Midland High	4	0	1	0	14	11	5	1
Odessa High	4	1	0	1	13	12	6	0
San Angelo Central	3	2	0	1	10	11	6	0
Odessa Permian	3	3	0	0	9	8	7	1
Abilene High	2	2	1	0	8	11	5	0
Lee	1	4	0	0	3	9	7	0
Abilene Cooper	0	5	0	0	0	3	11	0

Note: Three points are awarded for a win, 2 points for a Shootout win (SOW) and 1 point for a Shootout loss (SOL)

Saturday's Scores
San Angelo Central 3, Lee 0; Odessa Permian 2, Abilene High 1; Abilene Cooper 2, Midland High was idle.

Monday's Score
Odessa High 3, San Angelo Central 2

Tuesday's Games
Abilene High at Lee; Midland High at Abilene Cooper; Odessa Permian is idle. All games at 7:30 p.m.

Chaps open Wrangler Golf Invite in 7th-place tie

From staff reports

ALEDO — The Midland College men's golf team struggled to shoot a 320 and were tied for seventh after the first day of the The Wrangler Golf Invitational at Splitrail Country Club.

Paul Simpson and Sean Lawrie led the Chaps after each fired a 79. Three other players on the Chaparrals team, scored an 80 or above as sophomores Luke Richardson shot an 80 and Richie Farmer an 82. Freshman Tyson Turnbow turned in an 85.

Midland College coach Delnor Poss said the course is tough and that MC players were greeted with high winds and cold weather on Monday morning, but added "We played the same course as everybody else and we didn't perform well."

One of the few bright spots for Midland College on Monday was freshman Blake Brorman, who was tied for fifth with a first-round three-over par 75, playing as an individual.

Brorman

"That was an exceptional round," Poss said of Brorman's round. "To play well under those conditions was really quite an achievement."

The tournament will continue today.

The Wrangler Golf Invitational
Splitrail Golf Club
Aledo
Monday's Scores

Team standings — 1. Odessa College 306; 2. McLennan Community College 309; 3. New Mexico Junior College 310; 4. Odessa College II 311; 5. (tie) Paris JC 314; Western Texas College 314; 7. (tie) Lubbock Christian JV 320; Midland College 320; 9. Ranger College 324; 10. Clarendon College 326; 11. New Mexico Military Institute 336

Medalist standings — 1. (tie) Pontus Gad, TCU 74; Niel DuPreez, LCU JV 74; JT. Taylor, MCC 309; Richard James, NMJC 74; 5. (tie) Stuart McKechnie, OC II 75; Mathias Boesmans , WTC 75; Blake Brorman, MC 75; 8. (tie) Jamie Warman, OC 76; Antonio Morales 76; Greyden Blevins, MCC 76; Ryder Skillern, OC II 76; J.D. Allison, Paris JC 76; Kyle Lucas, WTC 76; Max Bichsel, TCU 76; Thomas Mantovanini, TCU 76

Area team scores
Odessa College (306) — Jamie Warman 76, Antonio Morales 76, True Graves 77, Tad Darland 77, Chris Bell 78
Odessa College II (311) — Stuart McKechnie 75, Ryder Skillern 76, Blayne Street 79, Logan Phillips 81, Collin Ward 80
Midland College (320) — Paul Simpson 79, Sean Lawrie 79, Luke Richardson 80, Richie Farmer 82, Tyson Turnbow 85
Other MC individuals — Blake Brorman 75, David Ryan 79, Stephen Gage 93

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Midland High pitcher Michael Dominguez throws a pitch during Monday's game against Lubbock Monterey at Zachery Field.

HSBASEBALL

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MIDLAND HIGH 5, LUBBOCK MONTEREY 4

Ryan Whittenberg drove in Grant Edmondson in the sixth inning for the go-ahead RBI in a 5-4 victory for the Bulldogs against the Plainsmen at Zachery Field on Monday.

The two teams were tied at 4 entering the sixth. Edmondson led off the inning with a double and moved to third on a ground-out, and then Whittenberg drove him in.

Then Bulldogs reliever Lance White held the Plainsmen scoreless in the seventh to preserve the victory.

"We had some nerves early, and it was obvious," Midland High coach Barry Russell said. "Once we settled down we were fine.

"They did a good job."

MIDLAND HIGH 5, LUBBOCK MONTEREY 4

Monterey	120	010	0	—4	7	0
MHS	013	001	x	—5	10	0

Blake Waldon, Tanner Maloney (4), Luke Bradshaw (6) and Colson Craddick. Alex Mata, Michael Dominguez (3), Lance White (5) and Travis Sims. W — White. L — Bradshaw. 2B — Monterey, Craddick, Archer, Almayor, Sanders, MHS, Jimmy Essman. Sims, White, Grant Edmondson. 3B — MHS, Sims.

Next: Midland High vs. Southlake Carroll, 4 p.m. Thursday, Round Rock Tournament.

MIDLAND CHRISITAN 8, ABILENE HIGH 1

The Mustangs scored seven runs in the first three innings and took an 8-1 victory against Abilene High in a non-district game at Christensen Stadium on Monday.

Midland Christian opened the game with three runs in the first, one in the second and then added three in the third.

Bailey Blain, Nikko Velarde and Colton Chalker each had doubles during the victory. Chalker and Casey King each had two RBI, and Daniel Crooks, Blain and Matt Withrow each drove in a run.

King picked up the pitching victory.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 8, ABILENE HIGH 1

Abilene High	000	100	0	—1	2	3
MCS	313	100	x	—8	9	2

B. Bollinger, W. Pearson (6) and Pearson, Bollinger (6). Casey King, Hayden Wood (7) and Bailey Blain, Nolan Schattel (7). W — King. L — Bollinger. 2B — Bailey Blain, Nikko Velarde, Colton Chalker

Next: Midland Christian at Fredericksburg Tournament, Thursday

Drillers win season opener

From staff reports

West Texas Drillers running back Chad Thompson rushed for 312 yards and five touchdowns as the Drillers rolled to a 48-26 season-opening victory on Saturday night against the Curry County Cats.

Dusty Stapp ran for 121 yards and a touchdown, and Jerry Don Zachery added 80 yards rushing on the night.

The Driller' defense forced six turnovers as Rich Garrett had two interceptions and Tevin Collier added a pick along with Allen Harrison and Devon Zimmerman.

The Drillers will take on the Amarillo Titans on Saturday.

Acy double-double powers Baylor over Texas

By Jim Vertuno
Associated Press

Bears	**77**
Longhorns	72

AUSTIN — Whether rebounding or scoring — or both — Quincy Acy put the No. 13 Baylor Bears on his strong shoulders and carried them to a big victory.

Acy had 22 points and 16 rebounds and provided the key scoring punch down the stretch to push the Bears to a tough 77-72 win over Texas on Monday night.

Baylor rallied from a 12-point deficit early in the second half and Acy scored seven straight points to give the Bears a five-point lead with under 3 minutes to play. Johnathan Holmes made a 3-pointer to pull Texas within 71-70 before Pierre Jackson made six consecutive free throws to put the game away for Baylor (23-5, 10-5 Big 12).

J'Covan Brown, scored 18 to lead the Longhorns (17-11, 7-8), but had a critical turnover with 12 seconds left that prevented Texas from shooting for a tie.

Brady Heslip scored 12 for Baylor and helped spark the Bears' rally with three 3-pointers in the second half.

While Heslip started the rally, it was Acy who refused to let Baylor lose this one. His powerful moves in the post and tough rebounding took over the game while the Bears are still looking for standout forward Perry Jones III to shake off his scoring slump.

Baylor shot just 40 percent but Acy grabbed eight offensive rebounds to keep possessions alive and went 8 of 11 from the free throw line.

"The toughness and leadership he's brought our team is off the charts," Baylor coach Scott Drew said.

Jones scored 10 and gave Baylor its first lead of the second half at 56-55. Acy took over in the final five minutes giving the Bears at 65-63 lead with 4:45 to play.

Jackson put the game away at the free throw line, coolly swishing six straight shots down the stretch. Jackson was 12 of 12 from the line and Baylor was 24 of 29 as a team.

Texas still had a chance to get it to overtime or play for a win in the final seconds. After Jackson made two free throws to make it 73-70 with 28 seconds left, Brown dribbled into a double team on the perimeter, then fired a wild pass that was picked off by Baylor's A.J. Walton.

"They had a good trap on the ball. A.J. read it perfectly," Jackson said.

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Haas starting to get his own attention

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Bill Haas played alongside Phil Mickelson in what seemed like a one-sided affair outside the ropes, where chants of "Phil" chased after them in the cool air of the Pacific Ocean.

This was a year ago at Torrey Pines.

Among those in the gallery that day was Billy Harmon, the swing coach for Haas. The more famous Harmon is his older brother, Butch, though the family often jokes that's only because Butch has better clients.

There was no friendly wager among them, though Billy Harmon said his brother told him, "I have more horses in the race."

Along with Mickelson, Dustin Johnson was in the hunt that day and Nick Watney put together a late rally. Ultimately, Bubba Watson won the tournament.

A year later, Haas is starting to show he belongs in the stable of top American golfers.

Up the California coast, on a Riviera course that played the toughest of any PGA Tour event this year, Haas steadied himself after consecutive bogeys on the back nine with a 3-wood into the par-5 17th that set up a birdie and a par save from the front of the 18th green that gave him a 2-under 69.

Haas kept his wits even after hearing the ground-shaking roar of Mickelson's birdie on the 18th from just off the green, followed by another big cheer when Keegan Bradley made his birdie putt to force a three-man playoff.

The last cheer was for Haas, who rolled in a 45-foot birdie putt across the 10th green to win the Northern Trust Open.

"To beat a guy like Keegan and also Phil — guys of their caliber — in a playoff is amazing, something I'll never forget," Haas said.

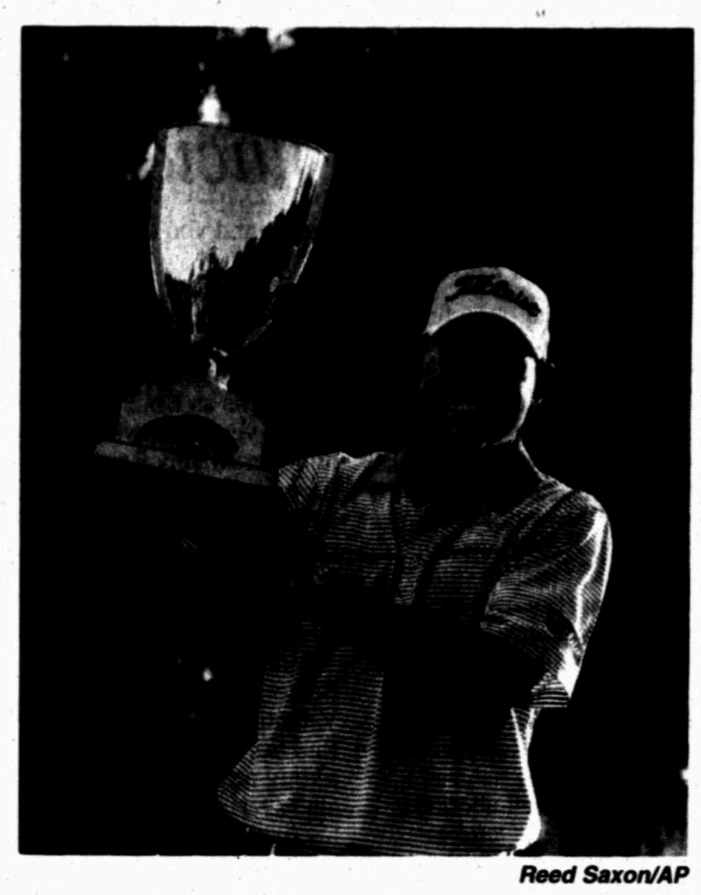
Even as he was walking into the media center late Sunday afternoon, a reporter asked him about his father, Jay Haas, a nine-time winner and Ryder Cup player.

Haas rarely gets through an interview without someone asking about his father, which he doesn't mind, although the 29-year-old clearly is starting to come into his own.

"He's starting to establish himself as a very, very good player," said Billy Harmon, who doesn't throw out compliments easily. "More than anything, he's starting to believe. You don't have to change anything with Bill. He just has to learn from experience, and he's getting that now. He's been in the hunt more often. He's failed in the hunt, he's succeeded in the hunt."

What impressed Harmon about Riviera is that Haas, who fought his swing, came through with his short game. While the 45-foot birdie putt will get the attention, it was made possible by an 80-foot chip from just short of the 18th on the first playoff hole to about 3 feet. It's one of the hardest shots to get to the hole.

"He won with his short game," Harmon said. "And he usually wins with his long game."



Reed Saxon/AP

Bill Haas holds the winner's trophy after his victory in the Northern Trust Open on Sunday at Riviera Country Club in Los Angeles.

MONDAY'S NBA ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

MAVERICKS 89, CELTICS 73

DALLAS — Dirk Nowitzki had 26 points and moved into the top 20 on the NBA career scoring list as Dallas beat short-handed Boston.

Nowitzki, who also had a season-high 16 rebounds, scored all of Dallas' points in a 10-2 run midway through the second quarter that pushed the Mavericks ahead by 14. They led by double digits the rest of the way.

The Celtics were without suspended Rajon Rondo, Kevin Garnett and injured Brandon Bass. They also lost starters Jermaine O'Neal and Chris Wilcox to injuries in the third quarter.

Paul Pierce led the Celtics with 20 points. Ray Allen added 15 and Avery Bradley 12.

ROCKETS 97, GRIZZLIES 93

HOUSTON — Kyle Lowry scored 24 points, Kevin Martin added 22 and Courtney Lee hit four key free throws down the stretch to lead Houston over Memphis.

Houston led by seven before Memphis went on a 5-0 run to pull to 91-89 with 27.4 seconds left. O.J. Mayo got a rebound, took it down the court and finished with a layup to cap the run.

Lee made a pair of free throws before Rudy Gay's layup with 19 seconds remaining got Memphis back within two points. Lee hit two more free throws and Quincy Pondexter's layup cut it to two again before two free throws by Lowry secured the win.

Gay led the Grizzlies with 23 points and Mike Conley had 16.

NETS 100, KNICKS 92

NEW YORK — Linsanity started against the New Jersey Nets.

This time, All-Star guard Deron Williams was determined not to be embarrassed by the Harvard guy again.

Williams scored a season-high 38 points, outplaying Jeremy Lin and leading the Nets to a 100-92 victory over the New York Knicks on Monday night.

Lin began his remarkable run against the Nets about two weeks ago, but Williams and the Nets were ready for him this time.

BULLS 90, HAWKS 79

CHICAGO — Derrick Rose scored 23 points in his return from a five-game absence because of back pain to lead Chicago over struggling Atlanta.

Rose looked sharp to help the Bulls play more like championship contenders after a brutal loss to New Jersey two days earlier. They led by 18 through the first quarter and were up 55-37 at halftime, but found themselves hanging on in the end after a big push by Atlanta.

THUNDER 101, HORNETS 93

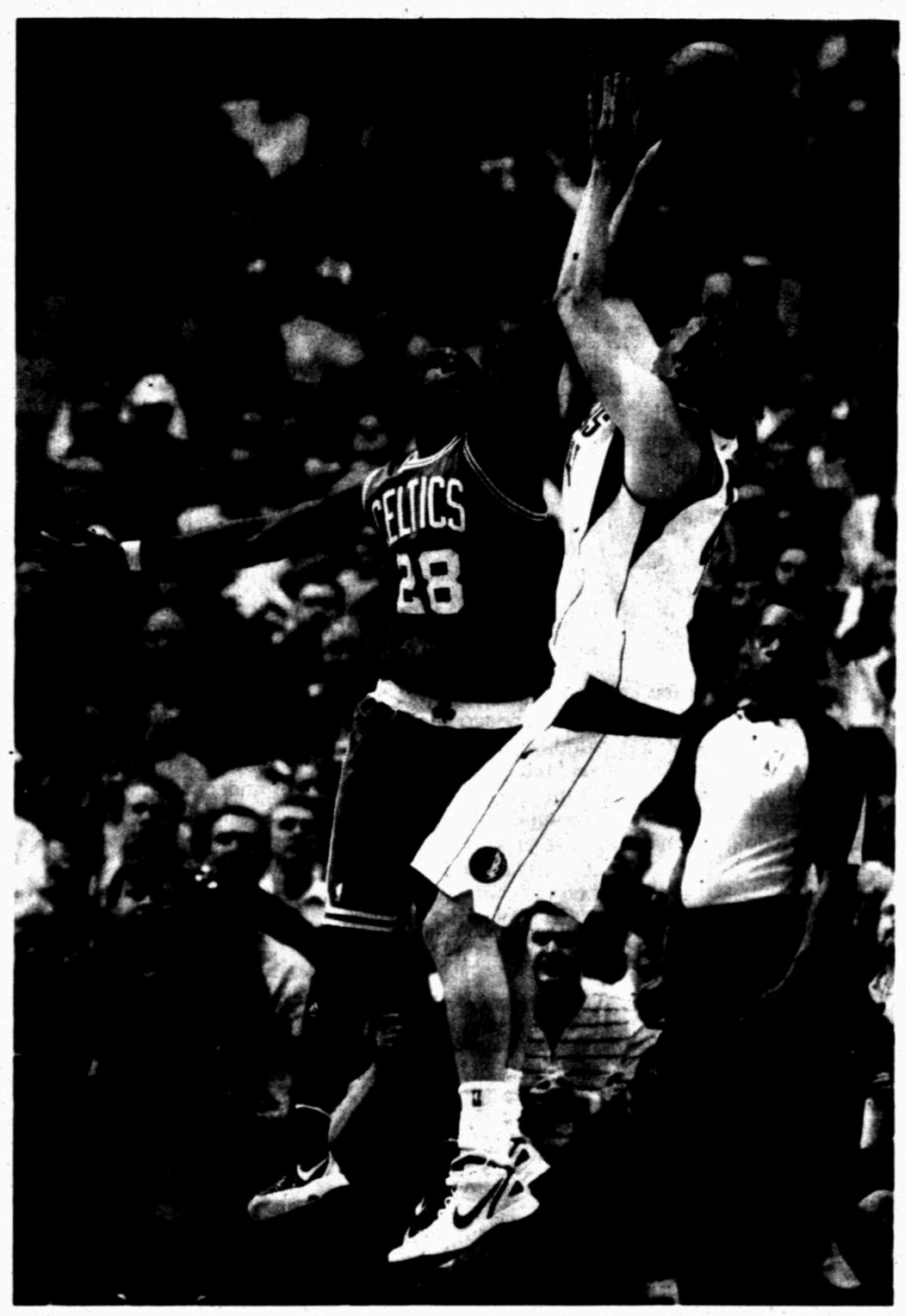
OKLAHOMA CITY — Kevin Durant and Russell Westbrook scored 31 points apiece to lead Oklahoma City over New Orleans for its 10th straight home win.

One night after a historic performance featuring big scoring nights from All-Stars Durant and Westbrook and a triple-double from Serge Ibaka, the Thunder built a 26-point lead and then had to scrap it out at the end.

MAGIC 93, BUCKS 90

MILWAUKEE — Dwight Howard had 28 points and 16 rebounds, and Jameer Nelson added 15 points to lead Orlando to its third win over Milwaukee in 10 days.

Brandon Jennings had 22 points and Mike Dunleavy added 18 for the Bucks. Ersan Ilyasova, coming off 29 points and 25 rebounds Sunday against New Jersey, had 11 points and 10 rebounds.



Tim Sharp/AP

Dallas Mavericks forward Dirk Nowitzki, right shoots over Boston Celtics forward Mickael Pietrus (28) on Monday during the first half in Dallas. Nowitzki reached the top 20 on the NBA scoring list after scoring 26 points against Boston.

Speedweeks open strong for NASCAR at Daytona

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. —

Kyle Busch twice appeared destined to destroy his race car, and twice used breathtaking saves to keep on running around Daytona International Speedway.

He probably shouldn't have been in position to race with the leaders. Yet there he was, bearing down on the finish line with a shot at winning Saturday night's exhibition Budweiser Shootout, and with a slingshot pass on the outside of defending NASCAR champion Tony Stewart, Busch pulled off a miraculous win in the first event of 2012.

Not too shabby of a start to the season.

NASCAR has every right to be giddy about Sunday's season-opening Daytona 500, a pivotal race in sparking interest at the start of a very long season. A rain-shortened event in 2009 set the tone for a rocky year, and two lengthy delays to fix a pesky pothole in the track surface impacted the 2010 season.

Then came Trevor Bayne's upset victory last year, and NASCAR never looked back. The 2011 season ranked among the best in years, and ended with a phenomenal race between Stewart and Carl Edwards for the Sprint Cup championship. The two ended the season tied in the standings, with the title going to Stewart on a tiebreaker.

All that momentum meant NASCAR could tweak very little during the offseason. Why mess with a good thing, right?

Well, not everything was sunshine and roses.

NASCAR officials said earlier this month that more than 80 percent of fans polled "hated" the two-car tandem style of racing that had taken over at Daytona and Talladega. Such a strong opinion forced NASCAR to spend a significant chunk of the offseason tinkering with the rules package in an effort to recreate pack racing before the Feb. 26 opener.

The Shootout proved NASCAR made the right moves, and the drivers seemed overwhelmingly in favor of the racing.

"It's pretty wild and crazy, but, I mean, I like this better than what we had last year, definitely," said four-time champion Jeff Gordon, who rolled his car several times and wound up on his roof for what he said was the first time in his NASCAR career.

Gordon's night ended seconds after he nudged Busch, triggering a chain-reaction crash that also led to Busch's second save of the race. It was one of three multicar crashes — the wrecks collected 23 total cars, set up a green-white-checkered overtime finish and resulted in the closest finish in race history. Busch's margin of victory was a mere 0.013 seconds, and his driving awed his competitors.

"I was right behind him ... and he had to catch it three times before he saved it," Stewart said. "When you get 3,400 pounds moving like that, to catch it one time was pretty big. To get away from him and catch it a second time was big. The third time was big. That's three big moments in one corner. He just never quit driving it.

"There's a lot of guys that wouldn't have caught that. I'm sitting there and the green is still out. I'm going, 'Man, that's the coolest save I've seen in a long time.'"

It was a redemption of sorts for Busch, who had to fight hard to keep his sponsors intact at the end of last season. Suspended by NASCAR for intentionally wrecking Ron Hornaday Jr. in a Truck Series race at Texas, primary sponsor M&M's told Joe Gibbs Racing it didn't want Busch in its car the final two races of the year.

His career was at a crossroads, and Busch worked hard during the offseason to repair his reputation. He referenced M&M's, which was back on his car for the first time since the company pulled itself off the No. 18 Toyota for the final two races of last season, during his Victory Lane celebration.

"First race back in the M&M's car, and we're back in Victory Lane. Pretty cool," Busch said.

There are other feel-good stories heading into NASCAR's biggest race of the year.

■ Danica Patrick will make her Daytona 500 debut, and the series is thrilled she's made the full-time move to NASCAR.

■ Dale Earnhardt Jr., NASCAR's most popular driver, had his best season in five years in 2011 and is excited about his chances in the Daytona 500.

"I like this kind of racing better. At least I know what to expect," Earnhardt said. "I feel like I have a better chance with this style than I did last year for damn sure."

■ Edwards bounced back from his loss to Stewart in the title race by winning the pole for the Daytona 500.

■ There's already some controversy, as the car for five-time series champion Jimmie Johnson failed inspection before it ever got on the track. Crew chief Chad Knaus will likely be penalized after the Daytona 500.

It's all setting the stage for Sunday, which is shaping up to be a strong opener for NASCAR. The race probably won't be 500 miles of three-wide racing, but if it's anything close to the Shootout, it's bound to be entertaining.

■ Commentary

Leparoux lands Derby favorite, and a bride to be

By Richard Rosenblatt
Associated Press

Julien Leparoux is on a winning streak, on and off the racetrack.

Over the past 10 days, the French jockey landed the ride aboard early Kentucky Derby favorite Union Rags, revealed he'll be racing in New York shortly and flew cross-country to win the El Camino Real Derby in California aboard Daddy Nose Best.

And by the way, he also announced his engagement just before Valentine's Day to Shea Mitchell, the daughter of California-based trainer Mike Mitchell. The wedding is set for December.

"I'm engaged to the most wonderful man," Mitchell posted on her Twitter feed Feb. 12.

In his public reply, Leparoux tweeted: "You are the best my love, I'm a very lucky man."

Not to be outdone, Union Rags got a word in, too, via Twitter, of course.

"This fellow Julien is a mighty fine rider, but if I was human, I'd have my eye on his fiance! I wish them the best," read a tweet posted on (at)TheUnionRags.

With three victories and a narrow loss in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile, Union Rags is set to make his 3-year-old debut in the Fountain of Youth Stakes at Gulfstream Park on Sunday.

Union Rags remains No. 1 in the Associated Press' latest Run to the Roses Top 10 list of Derby contenders going into a race that features a slew of Derby hopefuls, including Algorithms, who remains No. 2 this week.

Javier Castellano had been the rider for both colts, but chose to stay with Algorithms, trained by Todd Pletcher. Castellano rides several other Derby contenders for Pletcher; Union Rags is trained by Michael Matz.

On Sunday, Union Rags worked a half-mile in 48.64 seconds at Palm Meadows Training Center in Boynton Beach, Fla.

"He's ready to go," Matz said. "Other than running in a race, he's as ready as he could possibly be."

So is Leparoux, who has been based in Kentucky since his first full riding season in 2006. He's leaving, agent Steve Bass says, because New York has "the better racing dates and better purses."

On Monday, Hall of Fame trainer Bob Baffert pulled off a double in the Southwest Stakes at Oaklawn Park, winning the 11-horse first division with 6-1 choice Castaway and the 10-horse second division with 3-5 favorite Secret Circle. The twin wins give Baffert more Derby hopefuls to go along with No. 4-ranked Liaison and impressive allowance winner Fed Biz.

Over the weekend, there were a pair of photo finishes in California: Daddy Nose Best beat Lucky Chappy by a nose in the 1 1/8-mile El Camino Real Derby at Golden Gate Fields on Saturday, and Baffert's Drill held off American Act by a nose in the seven-furlong San Vicente at Santa Anita on Sunday, a race contested by four horses.

After the San Vicente, Baffert said he's not sure if Drill will remain on the Derby trail.

AP Run to the Roses Top 10 list

1. Union Rags (Michael Matz, trainer; Julien Leparoux, jockey): Leparoux takes over for Javier Castellano. ... Colt worked 4 furlongs in 48.64 seconds Sunday at Palm Meadows. ... Champagne (G1) winner is 3 of 4, lone loss by a head in BC Juvenile (G1). ...Next start: Fountain of Youth (G2), Gulfstream, Sunday. ... Derby future wager odds: 7-1.

2. Algorithms (Todd Pletcher; Castellano): Worked 4 furlongs in 49.00 Monday at Palm Meadows. ...Puts 3-for-3 record on line against Union Rags. ...Defeated 2-year-old champ Hansen in Holy Bull (G3) on Jan. 29. ... Next start: Fountain of Youth. ... Odds: 12-1.

3. Hansen (Mike Maker; Ramon Dominguez): New York stewards denied breeder-owner Dr. Kendall Hansen request to dye mane and tail of nearly white colt for Gotham (G3). ...Two-year-old champion out to rebound after finishing second in Holy Bull. ...Next start: Gotham, Aqueduct, March 3. ... Odds: 26-1.

4. Liaison (Bob Baffert; Rafael Bejarano): Worked half-mile in 47.00 last week at Santa Anita. ...Clipped heels with another horse in stretch and unseated rider in Robert B. Lewis (G2). ...Next start: San Felipe (G2), Santa Anita, March 10. ... Odds: 56-1.

5. Gemologist (Pletcher; Castellano): Worked 5 furlongs in 1:03.88 Sunday at Palm Meadows. ...Unbeaten in three starts, all as 2-year-old. ... Next start: Rebel (G2), Oaklawn Park, March 17. ... Odds: 22-1.

6. Secret Circle (Baffert, Bejarano): Won division of Southwest (G3) by half-length Monday. ...Has won four of five, with only loss coming in Sham (G3) on Jan. 7. ...Next start: Undecided. Odds: 3-2 (mutuel field).

7. Discreet Dancer (Pletcher, John Velazquez): Worked 5 furlongs in 1:00.24 Monday at Palm Meadows. ...Won first two races by combined 15 1/4 lengths at Gulfstream. Next start: Fountain of Youth. ... Odds: 30-1.

8. Alpha (Kiaran McLaughlin, Dominguez): Withers (G3) winner skipping Gotham for one more Derby prep. ...Godolphin-owned colt training at Palm Meadows. ...Next start: Wood Memorial (G1), Aqueduct, April 7. ... Odds: 19-1.

9. Mr. Bowling (Larry Jones, Robby Albarado): Lecomte (G3) winner needs to step up in next prep. ...Colt has three wins in five starts. ...Next start: Risen Star (G3), Fair Grounds, Saturday. ... Odds: 85-1.

10. I'll Have Another (Doug O'Neill, Mario Gutierrez): Robert B. Lewis winner at odds of 43-1, has not worked since. ...Next start: Santa Anita Derby (G1), Santa Anita, April 7. ...Odds: 29-1.

Braun's tale is spring training's juiciest

By Jim Litke
Associated Press

Of all the story lines threading their way across spring training, Ryan Braun's is the most delicate, not to mention the juiciest.

Braun is scheduled to report to Milwaukee Brewers camp Friday, coming off the best season of his career and still awaiting word on whether he'll be suspended for the first 50 games of this one. To say he's had an awkward offseason doesn't tell the half of it.

Braun learned about his positive test in October and, without breathing a word of it, was voted the National League MVP in November.

In December, he confirmed the positive test in response to an ESPN report, maintained his innocence and has done an admirable job of laying low ever since.

Last month alone, Braun filed his appeal, showed up at the baseball writers' dinner in New York to collect his MVP hardware and bowed out of the "Brewers On Deck" fan festival with little more than a peep. All that changes the day he reports to Maryvale Park in Phoenix.

Not surprising, Brewers manager Ron Roenicke was hoping for the best while at the same time bracing for an entirely different outcome.

"He's been doing good all winter through this," Roenicke said Monday. "He's excited to get going in spring training, and hopefully the outcome will be how we all want it.

"I know everybody thinks it's really hard but it's not something that I dwell on," the manager added a moment later. "I know it happens during the course of a season where you lose key players and you have to move on. It's part of baseball. Every year somebody goes down who you're not expecting, you miss them for months or you miss them for an entire season and you deal with it."

If it's any consolation to either man, there will be plenty of distractions available elsewhere. Around the same time as Braun shows up, 40-year-old, two-time offender Manny Ramirez is supposed to report to the A's camp some 10 miles away.

And the soap operas already unfolding on the other side of the country — one featuring new Boston manager Bobby Valentine and his truculent Red Sox team; the other pitting new Marlins manager Ozzie Guillen against his truculent superstar, Hanley Ramirez — are sure to siphon off their fair share of reporters.

Expect plenty of dispatches, too, heralding the American League West as the new center of power, now that Albert Pujols is an Angel and the Rangers handed over nearly $108 million for the right to talk to and then sign Yu Darvish, the latest Japanese import.

Bet Braun goes through the ringer first.

Nearly three dozen major leaguers have been suspended after testing positive since 2005 and not one has overturned the verdict on appeal.

All told, 11 MVPs from the past four decades have been linked to performance enhancers at one time or another during their careers, but only seven-time winner Barry Bonds has shown up at spring training the season after receiving one with a PED cloud hanging over his head.

And you probably remember how that went. One year, he scolded reporters for scaring his kids; another year he dismissed all the investigators from MLB looking into steroid use as Keystone cops.

"Let them investigate. Let them, they've been doing it this long," Bonds said." It doesn't weigh on me at all — at all. It's just you guys talking."

Pujols starts anew with Angels

By Tom Withers
Associated Press

TEMPE, Ariz. — Decked out in Angels' gear from head to toe, Albert Pujols looked like the same slugger whose swing in St. Louis became as symbolic as the Gateway Arch.

With a halo-topped "A" logo on his cap, Pujols, his massive chest and arms filling out every corner of his red shirt, sat behind a microphone and excitedly announced the start of a new stage of his career.

"Here I am," he said. And here he goes.

Arriving just as the morning sun crept above the horizon, and more than a week earlier than required, Pujols reported to training camp Monday with the Los Angeles Angels, who will pay the three-time NL MVP $240 million over the next 10 years to be the face of their franchise — and to hopefully bring them several World Series titles.

"I'm just really excited to be here, it feels good to be outside," Pujols said during a news conference held at a nearby luxury hotel. "I've been training for three months, hitting in a cage in St. Louis, and it feels good to be here for some spring baseball."

Although only the Angels' pitchers and catchers had to be at camp this early, Pujols wanted to be there from Day One as well. That's how the 32-year-old has done it since breaking into the big leagues in 2001 and he wasn't about to change his routine.

He also felt it was important to begin bonding with his new teammates, some of whom were caught staring at him from across the clubhouse.

Driving a black Mercedes still tagged with Missouri license plates, Pujols pulled into the players' parking lot at 7:15 a.m. There were only a handful of fans waiting to catch a glimpse of the nine-time All-Star, who helped lead the Cardinals to a championship last season before leaving the only baseball home he had known.

Pujols stopped in the equipment room and shook a few hands before heading to the clubhouse, where his locker is flanked by veterans Bobby Abreu and Torii Hunter.

"The guys are awesome," Pujols said. "They well-received me as soon as I walked in there."

Shortly after dressing, Pujols made an early request to one of the team's media relations members.

"Let me take a peak of the ballpark," he said before walking out a side door for his first look at Tempe Diablo Stadium, the Angels' spring home, which is sure to be packed with fans throughout March.

Pujols

It didn't take long for Pujols to feel like he was part of the club.

During manager Mike Scioscia's first team meeting, Pujols' cellphone rang, earning the superstar his first petty fine, which according to a team official, will require him to buy his skipper lunch.

No major league manager had a more productive offseason than Scioscia. Angels owner Arte Moreno spent $320 million in signing Pujols, left-hander C.J. Wilson (5 years, $77.5 million) and reliever LaTroy Hawkins (1 year, $3 million).

Scioscia, entering his 13th season with the Angels, will have the luxury every game of penciling Pujols' name onto his lineup card in the No. 3 spot and at first base.

"His whole game, not only being a presence hitting in the middle of the lineup, running the bases. He's an offensive machine," Scioscia said. "He's a special player and special players are usually multidimensional, and Albert is."

Scioscia said unless there's a need because of injury he has no plans to use Pujols at third, where the Cardinals had him for seven games last season.

After taking some swings in an indoor cage, Pujols was driven in a golf cart to one of the back fields on the team's minor league complex. With over 100 fans doing everything possible to get a close look from behind the right-field fence, Pujols fielded some grounders before taking his first outdoor batting-practice cuts of the spring.

With Moreno, trainers, coaches and instructors watching, Pujols ripped a few fastballs from hitting coach Mickey Hatcher for line drives and then launched a deep shot over the fence in left, the ball slicing between two giant palm trees and disappearing into the brush.

New Astros owner makes the big leagues

Associated Press

KISSIMMEE, Fla. — New Astros owner Jim Crane made it clear on the first day of spring training that there is more to his investment than money.

Baseball has been a part of him since he was a pitcher "from (age) seven to 22, non-stop," Crane said Monday while Astros pitchers and catchers participated in their first organized workout of the year.

"It's fun to get back here," he said. "If you've ever played, you hear that ball popping into that glove, as we do now, and it brings back a lot of fond memories."

Crane bought the team from Drayton McLane last fall for $615 million in a transaction that requires the franchise to move from the NL Central to the AL West in 2013. The team finished with the worst record in baseball last season at 56-106.

Manager Brad Mills referred to Monday as "the dawning of a new era" and Crane's visit was viewed as a starting point.

"We started talking about the sale of the team two years ago and that's kind of the way it's been," said pitcher Brandon Lyon. "I think we finally have a resolution where we can move in some direction. There was no direction before."

Crane was a pitcher at Central Missouri, but never made the big leagues. The Houston businessman says it's been a long time since he was in a locker room and it was his first visit to a spring training camp in several years. He couldn't be happier.

He arrived just before 9 a.m., met with Mills and general manager Jeff Luhnow, and then spoke to the team.

"To see all the young faces sitting in that room, probably anxious about making the team, you kind of understand that when you played baseball ... it brought back a lot of memories."

Crane bought a team that has bottomed out and one that has traded away several of their best players. The Astros could start the regular season with a different player at every position from the team that started the 2011 season.

According to Luhnow, who was hired in December after eight years in the St. Louis organization, every season is a new era with new players.

"In this particular case we have a new ownership group and some new executives, but it's up to the players and their mentality," he said. "This is a fresh start for us this year . . . I think the attitude, from everything that I'm feeling and hearing and expressing, is very positive."

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Baseball

GCM Baseball Academy
What: Professional private baseball lessons & clinics covering pitching, fielding, catching and hitting provided by three former professional players.
For: Ages 5 & up.
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For more info: Call (432) 425-6108

Private batting and pitching instruction
For more info: Call Danny Jordan at 230-0096 for instruction on mechanics and pitch selection in a one-on-one setting

Private hitting and catching instruction
For more info: Call Scott Chapman at 967-2364 for instruction in a one-on-one environment

Pitching, hitting and fielding lessons
For more info: Call Midland High baseball coach Barry Russell at 296-2438

Private Baseball Instruction
Where: Next Level Sports Training, 704 W. Scharbauer
For more info: 262-6466 or www.nextlevelsportstraining.org

Private Baseball/Softball lessons
For more info: Contact Extra Innings Midland/Odessa at (432) 617-4487 or visit www.extrainnings-midlandodessa.com

Basketball

Permian Basketball Association needs officials
For more info: Jim Cox, 685-4143 or 553-3714

YMCA needs basketball referees
For more info: 682-2551

Vertical jump, speed and agility training
Where: Next Level Sports Training, 704 W. Scharbauer
For more info: 262-6466, www.nextlevelsportstraining.org

Summer Pro/Am Basketball League
What: Regional Development Basketball League
For: Players 18 and up and teams for summer basketball league to start in June
For more info: Call 866-206-9073, ext. 4399

AAU Basketball Team
When: Starting February 23; meets every Thursday from 5-7 p.m. and Saturdays from 9-11 a.m.
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
Note: Instructor, Mike Sadler
For more info: Call 685-7355

MLK All-Star Weekend
When: Noon-3 p.m., March 3
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
Events: 3-on-3, 3-point contest, free throw contest, hot spot shooting
Note: Signup before Feb. 29
For more info: Call Mike or Jay at 685-7379 or 413-0521

Lunch break Pick-up Basketball
When: Noon-1 p.m., Monday-Friday
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut Lane
For more info: Call 413-0521

6th Annual West Texas High School Summer Shoot Out
When: July 7-8
Where: San Angelo
For: Boys & Girls, A-5A divisions
Deadline: July 1
For more info: Call Chris Cardenas at 325-374-2910 or cardenas_chris@yahoo.com

Booster Clubs

Midland High Softball
When: First Thursday of every month, 7 p.m.
Where: MHS Youth Center
For more info: Call Russell at 561-8687

Bowling

Tuesday Night Petroleum Men's League
When: Meets at 6:45 p.m.
For more info: Melton Post 684-5176 or Cactus Lanes 694-0177

Edith McElmore Three-Person League
When: 10 a.m. Wednesdays
Where: AMF Lanes
For more info: Call AMF Lanes at 689-9725

Camps/Clinics

Ten Star All Star Camp
For whom: Boys and girls ages 10-19
For more info: Call (704) 373-0873 for a brochure

COM Aquatic Camps
What: Swimming, diving, snorkeling
Ages: Preschool and grade school
For more info: Call 684-7755

Beginner tennis clinics
Where: Midland High School tennis courts
When: Monday-Thursday from 8:30 to 10 a.m. or 7 to 8:30 p.m.
For: Kindergarten-12th grade, community-based organizations, parents and adults
Deadline: Two weeks before week wanting to attend
For more info: Call Luis Valdez at 570-6245, Brandi at 687-7059 or Elizabeth at 699-6058

YMCA Basketball Skills Clinic
When: Every Saturday
Times: 1 p.m.-3:45 p.m. for grades 3 through 12
Cost: YMCA Family member, free; YMCA Youth member, $5 and program participant, $10 per visit
For more info: Call Midland YMCA at 682-2551

Cycling

Permian Basin Bicycle Association Meetings
When: 7 p.m., third Monday of every month
Where: Atmos Energy's Fischer Community Room, 2304 Loop 40, Midland International Airport
Dues: $25/$30 for a family
For more info: Peyton's Bikes 699-1718 or go to www.pbbatx.com

Dodgeball

Sticks and Kicks Leagues
Who: Kids, adults, co-ed players
Cost: $35 per player (8 game season)
Where: Register at Sticks and Kicks, 3918 W. Wall
For more info: Call 520-6633

Fitness

P90X Classes
When: 7 p.m. every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 5:30 p.m. every Wednesday and Friday
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
For more info: Call 685-7355

Flag Football

YMCA Officials Needed
What: The YMCA needs officials for Youth Flag Football games Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
For more info: Call 682-2551

Football

Strength, speed, agility and power training
Where: Next Level Sports Training, 704 W. Scharbauer
For more info: 262-6466, www.nextlevelsportstraining.org

Permian Basin Officials Chapter seeks officials
Note: Education and training will be provided
For more info: Call Terrell Pierce at 559-5004 or Don Orren at 631-2395

Golf

Swing Speed Training
For: All ages and handicaps
Where: Next Level Sports Training, 704 W. Scharbauer
For more info: 262-6466 or www.nextlevelsportstraining.org

Swing speed and fitness training
Where: Next Level Sports Training
For more info: 262-6466, www.trippervaccelerotion.com

Hogan Park Golf Course After School Program
When: 5:30-6:30 p.m., Wednesdays in April and May
For: Ages 4-17
Cost: $135 (clinic only), $200 (clinic and eight group practice sessions), $300 (clinic, practice sessions and five private lessons)
For more info: Contact Evan Dunkerson or Thomas Brantley at 685-7360

Gymnastics

Next Level Gymnastics
What: Preschool, Stretch-n-Grow, All-around, T&T, Boys, special sneeds
For more info: Call 262-6466 or www.nextlevelsportstraining.org

Martial Arts

Aikido
When: Monday-Friday, 7 to 9 p.m., Saturdays, 12:30 p.m.
Note: Specializing in traditional Hombu style Aikido
For more info: Call John Riggs. 684-7008 or 770-3155

Cardio Kickboxing Class
When: Tuesdays and Thursdays 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Where: Jimenez Tae Kwon-Do and Fitness Studio, 4400 N. Midland Dr.
Cost: $35 a month
For more info: Call 689-8139

Women's Self Defense Class
When: Monday and Wednesday, 8:30 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Friday, 6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.
Where: Jimenez Tae Kwon-Do Studio, 4400 N. Midland Dr., Suite A
For more info: Call 697-8554

Private Tae Kwon-Do lessons
Where: Jimenez Tae Kwon-Do Studio, 4400 N. Midland Dr.
For more info: Call 697-8554

Brazilian Jiu Jitsu
When: 6-8 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, 2-3 p.m. Saturdays
Where: Perez Martial Arts Academy, 350 N. Midland Dr., Suite A
For more info: Call 634-9621 or (469) 248-8472

Matthews Martial Arts
When: Monday through Thursday, 5-8 p.m.
What: Karate-Judo-Jujitsu-Kempo-KungFu
For: Ages 3 and up
Where: 3205 Cuthbert
For more info: Contact Jason Matthews at 488-7467 or 689-8444

Taekwondo Korean Style
When: 6-9 p.m. Tuesday nights, Saturdays, 10-11 a.m.
Note: Instructors are Kuohui Suchecki and Jim Suchecki
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
For more info: Call 685-7355

Miscellaneous

Student-Athlete Sports Consultant
For: Assisting high school student athletes with academic-athletic scholarships.
For more info: Call Jacob Santillano at (915) 240-1030

Poker

Lone Star Poker League
What: Free to play Texas Hold 'em Poker tournaments
For: Beginners to experienced players. Ages 21 and up.
When/where: 1 p.m. Sunday, Velvet Room (non-smoking); 7 p.m. Sunday, Woofers & Tweeters; 7 p.m. Monday, Woofers & Tweeters (shootout); 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Hog Pit; 7 p.m. Wednesday, Woofers & Tweeters; 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Hog Pit; 1 p.m. Saturday, Velvet Room (non-smoking).
For more info: Go to www.lonestarpokertour.net

Rugby

Mad Dog Rugby Club Practice
When: 7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays
Where: Hogan Park
For more info: 697-6418

Midland Rugby (Bloodhounds) Club
For more info: Call Joshua 661-7147

HHD Dads & Lads Rugby
When: 7-8:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays
Where: Cowden Park
For more info: 212-6088

Running

Permian Basin Running Club
Cost: $20 per year for individual membership; $30 for per year for family membership
For more info: Go to www.pbrunningclub.com or email Shawn Hailey, president at haileyshawn@pbrunningclub.com

Gazelles Training Group
When: 6 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday
For more info: Call Popcorn Leonard at 512-762-1020 or 682-0988

10th Annual Bloodgusher 2012 Road Running Event
When: 9 a.m., March 31
Where: Scharbauer Sports Complex
For more info: Contact race director Lee Hartman at 561-5539 ext. 4146 or go to pbrunningclub.tripod.com

Shooting

Comanche Trail Shootists
What: Single Action Shooting Society affiliated club in Midland
When: Monthly shoots first Saturday and third Sunday of each month, first Saturday beginning at 10 a.m. Third Sunday from 1 p.m. (Mandatory safety meeting at 12:30 p.m.) Also shoot on fifth Sunday on months that have them (begin at 1 p.m. and are no cost to the shooter). Mandatory safety meeting at 9:30 a.m.
Where: Timberline Ranch adjacent to Jake's Clays
For more info: Go to comanchetrailshootists.org or call Hoodoo Brown 682-1422.

Midland Shooters Association
What: All types of shooting practice and competition, featuring archery, benchrest rifle, bulls-eye rifle, high power rifle, pistol silhouette, rimfire silhouette, 3 gun, practical pistol, skeet, trap 5 state and sporting clays.
When: Members can access rifle and pistol ranges from sunrise to sunset seven days a week. Shotgun ranges open 11 a.m. until dusk Wednesday to Sunday.
For more info: Go to www.midlandshooters.com

Soccer

Permian Basin Soccer Association
What: Registration for women's spring/summer season
Where: Dunagan Park, located at corner of Gist and Terrell
When: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 7 to 8:30 p.m.
For more info: Contact Jesus Chavez at 557-7032 anytime or Josh Chavez at 238-6947 after 6:30 p.m.

Speed and Agility Training
Where: Next Level Sports Training, 704 W. Scharbauer
For: All Ages
For more info: 262-6466 or www.nextlevelsportstraining.org

Midland Soccer Association
For: Youth Recreational League Ages 4-18
When: Spring/Fall Games
Note: Also information on becoming a certified referee.
For more info: Register online at www.midlandsoccer.com and go to 432-684-5425.

Softball

Throwing velocity and swing speed training
Where: Next Level Sports Training, 704 W. Scharbauer
For more info: 262-6466, www.nextlevelsportstraining.org

MUGS/ASA Umpires Needed
When: Each Wednesday at 7 p.m.
Where: MUGS umpire building
For more info: Call David Edens at 684-0805 or Mack Gipson at 694-2837

Midland Softball Association Tournament Schedule
Now available at www.midlandsoftball.com.
For more info: call Tommy Hawkins at 520-9100

Midland Men's Woodbat Fastpitch Association
What: Men's fastpitch softball
For more info: Call 413-3173 or visit www.facebook.com/pages/Midland-Texas-Mens-Fastpitch

Team Infinity Tryouts
What: Team Infinity is looking for 8 and under softball players for a travel team
For more info: Please call Bobby Perez at 432-416-6753

Swimming

COM Pre-competitive swimming
Where: Mabee Aquatic Center
Cost: $49 per month
Prerequisite: Must be able to swim 25 yards or freestyle or backstroke
For more info: 684-7755

COM Water Aerobics Classes
When: All times, Monday through Saturday
Who: All skill levels
For more info: Call Tommy McAlister at 684-7755

COM Learn to Swim
Ages: All ages+
Note: Private, semi-private and group lessons are available
For more info: 684-7755

COM Masters Swimming
What: Competitive or non-competitive program for adults of all skill levels
When: 5-6 a.m., 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Cost: $40 per month (includes cardio training)
For more info: Call 684-7755

COM Diving Instruction
Who: All ages and levels invited
For more info: 684-7755

COM Learn to Dive
What: Learn basic skills for beginners then advance to pre-competitive and competitive diving that emphasize skilled diving techniques and participation in diving meets
Ages: 4 and up
For more info: 684-7755

COM Competitive Dive Team
Who: Try out for Bronze, Silver, Gold Prep or Gold levels of COM Dive Team
What: Emphasizes is on diving techniques and participation in local and out of town competitive meets
For more info: 684-7755

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What: Highest level of COM diving. Concentrates on perfecting Olympic level skills, national and international travel
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COM Competitive Swim Team
Who: Try out for COM Swim Team, tryouts available by appointment
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Who: Senior citizens that need help with physical conditions resulting from injury, disease, chronic conditions, advanced age, etc.
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Central YMCA Water Aerobics Classes
When: Early morning, morning and evening
For more info: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Central YMCA Arthritis Water Exercise Classes
When: Monday, Wednesday, Friday
For more info: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Central YMCA Swimming Lessons
Who: All ages and ability
For more info: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Central YMCA Synchronized Swimming
For: Ages 6 and up
For more information: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Tennis

West Texas Tennis Association
What: West Texas Tennis Association, a non-profit community tennis association, promotes and oversees USTA leagues, programs and events in the area.
For more info: Call 432-563-1333 or www.westtexastennis.com for more information.

USTA Team Tennis Adult Leagues
When: Adults 18 & older starting April 1
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
Call: Sherry 620-8610 or Email www.midlandtennis@aol.com

WTTA/USPTA 2012 Junior Circuit
What: Singles Tennis
Who: Boys and girls divisions ages 10, 12, 14, 16 and 18
When: Saturdays, Feb. 25, March 24, April 28, June 23, July 28, Sept. 15
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
Cost: $15 Entry fee paid Wednesday before each tournament
For more info: Call 349-8920 ask for Lance of Kathy

WTTA/USTA Junior Team Tennis Leagues
When: Feb. 26, March 4, 25, April 1, 15
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
For more info: Call Lance or Kathy at 694-6321

WTTA/USTA Quick Start Team Tennis Leagues
Who: Ages 8 and under and 10 and under
When: Starts in March
For more info: Call Brandi at 553-9076

Midland Tennis Club (MTC)
What: MTC is a non-profit public tennis club for all ages, all levels. Tournaments are free for members. Non-members may play by paying a tournament fee.
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
Annual dues: $65 Adults, $30 Youths, $140 Families
Call: 687-4046 or 563-1333 to join

Midland Tennis Club 2012 Tournaments
What: Singles, Doubles or Mixed Doubles
When: March 3-4, 24-25; April 21-22; May 19-20; June 23-24; July 14-15; Aug. 18-19; Sept. 8-9, 29-30; Oct. 13-14; Nov. 17-18; Dec. 1-2
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
Entry info: Entry Thursdays by 1 p.m. prior to each tournament
For more info: Call 687-4046

Midland College tennis classes
When: Tuesdays and Thursdays 12:30 to 1:50 p.m.
Where: Midland College
For more info: Midland College 685-4500 or Lance Armstrong 687-4046

Youth Clinics
When: For children 4-8 years of age (Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:30 to 4 p.m.) and 9-15 years of age (Mondays and Wednesdays, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. and 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
For more info: 687-4046

Midland Women's Tennis Association fall league
For more info: 889-0866

Agility Training & Injury Prevention
Where: Next Level Sports Training, 704 W. Scharbauer
For more info: 262-6466 or www.nextlevelsportstraining.org

Track & Field

Speed and Power Training
Where: Next Level Sports Training, 704 W. Scharbauer
For more info: 262-6466 or www.nextlevelsportstraining.org

Volleyball

Vertical jump, agility training
Where: Next Level Sports Training, 704 W. Scharbauer
For more info: Call 262-6466 or visit www.nextlevelsportstraining.org

Co-Ed Volleyball
When: Monday & Fridays; 12:15-1 p.m.
Where: MLK Community Center, 2500 Butternut
Registration: Begins on Jan. 28, $10 per person & $1 per person to play in gym
For more info: Deborah Morris 528-2051 or morrispaul@suddenlink.net

Walking

Midland Walkabout AVA Club Meetings
When: Fun Walks, 10K, 3rd Saturday morning of the month; Monthly meeting 3rd Sunday at 5 p.m.
Where: Fun Walks, vary; meetings in Room 227, First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas Ave.
Who: All ages
For more info: Call Alex Rose 687-9588 or go to www.midlandwalkabout.org

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Sunny	Sunny	Sunny
High 72	High 75	High 73
Low 36	Low 42	Low 31

LOCAL FORECAST

Expect sunny skies today with a high around 72 and south winds between 5 and 10 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy conditions with a low around 36 and west winds between 5 and 10 mph.

Wednesday, look for sunny skies with a high around 75, a low around 42 and west winds between 5 and 15 mph.

Thursday, look for sunny skies with a high around 73 and a low around 31.

The high on Monday reached 69 while the low dropped to 42. The record high for Feb. 20 is 86 set in 1986. The record low is 18 set in 1955.

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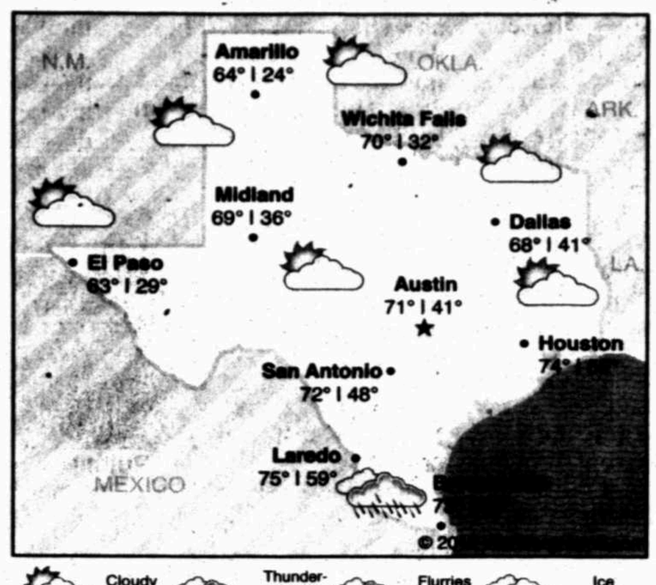
A dry, mild and sunny day is expected for much of the Atlantic seaboard Tuesday. A zone of high pressure extending north-south is moving off the coast but will hold in most areas until evening.

Farther west, as a storm heads toward northwestern Ontario, a zone of snow and snow showers will stretch from the upper Midwest to the eastern Great Lakes. Spotty rain showers will occur in the eastern Ohio Valley.

High pressure over the Four Corners region will bring dry weather to much of the balance of the Midwest, Plains and Southwest. Since this air is of Pacific origin, temperatures will generally be above normal in this swath.



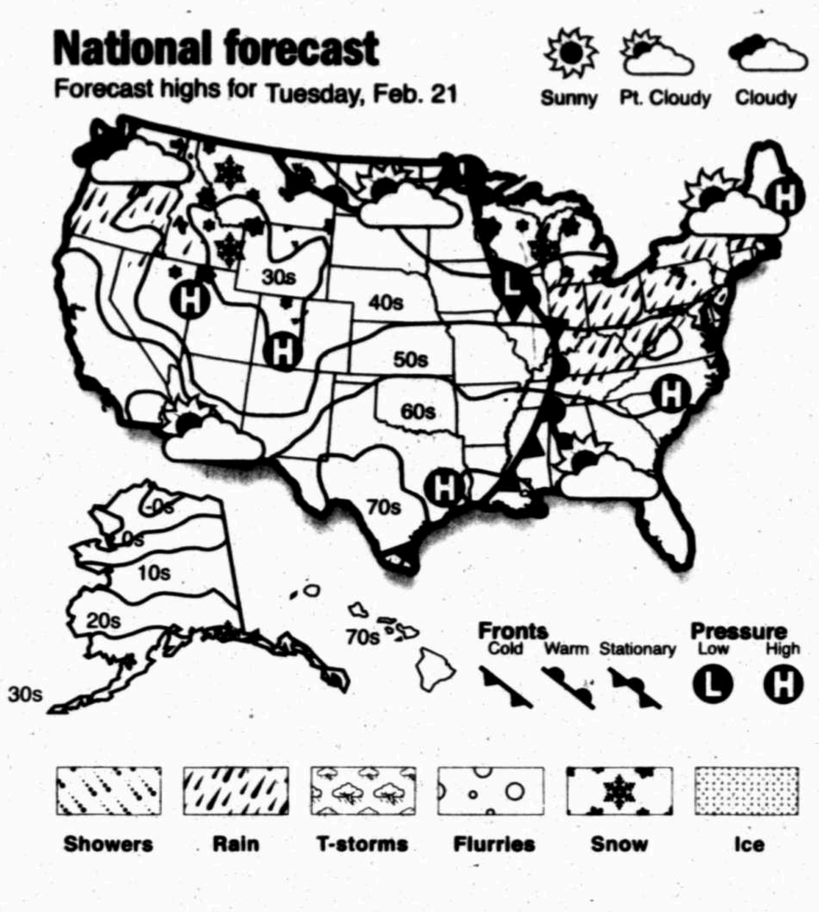
Precipitation

Rainfall Sunday	.0.00 in.
Rainfall Monday	.0.00 in.
Total for month	.0.08 in.
Total for year	.1.18 in.
Normal total (year to date)	.1.08 in.

Monday's temperatures

High	69
Low	42
Normal high	64
Normal low	36

Sunrise ... 7:25 a.m.
Sunset ... 6:40 p.m.



Air Force may be perfect job for teen on the move

DEAR ABBY

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

DEAR ABBY: I respectfully disagree with the advice you gave to "Wants to Enlist" (Dec. 29). She is the 19-year-old woman who burns out of jobs quickly and is thinking about enlisting in the Air Force. You discouraged her.

I served honorably in the U.S. Air Force, Air Force Reserves and the Air National Guard for 14 years. Experience taught me that if I didn't like my current assignment, it was easier to tolerate it for the time being knowing it wasn't a permanent assignment. Eventually, I received orders to go elsewhere.

My military training was the best foundation for me. It taught me discipline, instilled confidence that I could handle any situation, and provided me with skills that enabled me to work with people under various circumstances.

"Wants to Enlist" needs to be honest with the companies/organizations she applies to. During the interview, she should be upfront in saying she is willing to commit to a set period of time and/or to accept a part-time position, lower pay and a flexible schedule. The employers who hired me under these terms have written me letters of recommendation, proving they benefitted from our arrangement. — FORMER FLY GIRL IN NEW MEXICO

DEAR FORMER FLY GIRL: Thank you for offering a solution that worked for you. Responses I received to that letter provided interesting insights that "Wants to Enlist" may wish to consider. My readers comment:

DEAR ABBY: I, too, wasted years of my life job-hopping. It seemed I couldn't stay in a position longer than six months. It wasn't until late in life that I was diagnosed with bipolar disorder. With therapy and medication, my life finally took on some semblance of "normal." For the first time, I finally had purpose and direction. My final job lasted 17 years. I don't mean to suggest "Wants to Enlist" suffers from the same disorder, but it deserves some consideration. — B.P.D. IN TENNESSEE

DEAR ABBY: Once a job became routine, I lost interest. Eventually I found my way to higher education and a position where there are always new challenges. I now have a long-term and successful career. Perhaps this 19-year-old should consider attending college even part-time — to satisfy her intellect while preparing for a more varied and challenging future. — BEEN THERE IN LAS CRUCES, N.M.

DEAR ABBY: "Wants to Enlist" may want to be tested for ADD (Attention Deficit Disorder). For many years, I was misdiagnosed with a variety of mental health issues. Then my husband read an article about adult ADD. After checking with my doctor, I was put on medication to see if it would help. I cannot tell you the difference it has made in my life. I'm calmer, happier and have more confidence than ever. I hope this young lady will look into what might be causing her behavior because she will see how wonderful she is. — HAPPIER NOW IN FLORIDA

DEAR ABBY: I also had difficulty settling down in one place. My solution was to become a traveling health care worker. I work for a contracting agency that sends me on three-month assignments all over the country. If I don't like a facility, I know my time there will end soon. There are local contracting agencies in larger cities if you don't want to pack up and move. This job has been the answer to my dreams! — TRACY IN KINGWOOD, TEXAS

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Count your tricks

North-South vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ K 10
♡ 8 6 3
◇ A 6 4
♣ K 10 9 7 3

WEST
♠ 9 6 5 2
♡ Q 9 2
◇ K 10 5 2
♣ 8 2

EAST
♠ 8 7 4
♡ K 10 5 4
◇ Q 8 3
♣ A 5 4

SOUTH
♠ A Q J 3
♡ A J 7
◇ J 9 7
♣ Q J 6

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1NT	Pass	3NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: Three of ♢

Study the play of this deal. Did someone err? If so, who?

The normal contract of three no-trump was reached in short order. West led his fourth-best diamond, declarer played low from dummy and East's queen won the trick. The eight of diamonds was returned, covered by the nine and 10 and ducked in dummy, and a third round set up the king in West's hand.

Declarer forced out the ace of clubs, East won and shifted to a heart. Declarer won with the ace and cashed his winners for 10 tricks. What's your verdict?

Not one, but two errors were made. East can tell from the opening lead that West has led from a four-card suit. To defeat the contract East must find greener pastures. East must shift to a low heart at trick two and the defense can set up three tricks in the suit and the defenders score three hearts to go with the diamond trick already banked and the ace of clubs.

However, this information is also available to declarer. He can assure the contract by rising with the ace of diamonds at trick one and forcing out the ace of clubs. The defenders can score only four tricks before declarer takes his nine.

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Feb. 21, 2012:

This year you channel your enormous creativity and hefty magnetism into your day-to-day life. Individually, these traits could be hard to resist. Together, they could make you a powerhouse. Eye a new beginning in a key area of your life. Trust in your communication. If you are single, and you would like to change your status, you will have an opportunity to do so. If you are attached, as a couple you can steer your relationship in a new direction, if you so choose. PISCES understands you well.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ Others might not intend to be challenging, but they are. You could be tired of the meetings and from processing information, and want to toss your hands up in the air. However, it would be better to play it low-key, say less and/or vanish. Tonight: Obviously, you need some time to yourself.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ See what a demanding person wants, then decide what you want from the situation. Though your immediate reaction could be that you cannot give this person what he or she wants, you will find a way to do just that. Brainstorm with a trusted friend. Tonight: You have a lot to smile about.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Your mind drifts here, there and everywhere. By midday, you anchor in and handle a demanding project or situation. You are engaged now and not likely to be distracted. Opportunities knock on your door. Make people wait in a manner that shows them they will have your full attention very soon. Tonight: Working late.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ A partner or loved one dumps his or her problems on you. These problems only become yours if you so choose. Detach and imagine what it might be like to be this person. Within this framework, you will come up with a solution that works. Tonight: Treat yourself on the way home.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ You might not have control over others, and worrying will not help. Allow others to run with the ball; you cannot stop them anyway. Discussions come out far better if they occur on a one-on-one level. Tonight: Allow another person to present his or her opinions.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ The best of intentions can fall to the wayside. Complete a project that is likely to bring in money. Allow feedback from others. You will like one person's ideas a lot. Tonight: Accept a dinner invitation.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Your imagination impacts your morning. By afternoon, you will focus on each task, project and interaction. Do not forget to make a call or schedule an important meeting. Seeing this person could be most important. Tonight: As late as you can go.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ Getting going could be difficult, yet by lunch you are a force to be dealt with. Your creativity peaks this afternoon. Attempt to stay grounded, and project some of this positive energy into the matter at hand. Tonight: Have a little fun.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ Make important calls early. You might want to cocoon and do nothing in the afternoon. You will see a situation a lot differently as a result. Take some time to reflect on whether you should close your door at work or go for a brief walk. Tonight: Happily head home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Handle a financial matter immediately in the morning. Phone calls come in from everywhere. Your popularity might interfere with work. Know how to postpone a meeting without hurting others' feelings. Tonight: Join a friend, and catch up on his or her news.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ You start the day as a force to be dealt with. Handle important matters ASAP. By the afternoon, you might find yourself involved in some financial discussions. You will not have time for much else. Tonight: Invite a friend to dinner.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ You wake up on the wrong side of the bed. The contrast between how you feel then and later in the afternoon could be astonishing. There is very little that will stop you. The smart move would be to bring up a situation you were concerned about. Handle it as well. Tonight: Go out of bounds.

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BORN TODAY

Humorist Erma Bombeck (1927), fashion designer Hubert de Givenchy (1927), producer David Geffen (1943)

DAILY CROSSWORD

Edited By Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

ACROSS

1 Baseball's Hammerin' Hank
6 Bad color for ink?
9 Sunlight unit
13 Vegetation
14 Ward of "Sisters"
15 Notion
16 Airport security canine
19 React to a whack
20 "You're not the only one!"
21 Ending for mass or pass
22 Talking bird
23 Thanksgiving serving
31 Agenda details
32 Cool-cucumber link
33 Lake Mich. city
34 Semana septet
35 "Divine Comedy" poet
37 Phlebotomist's target
38 With 48-Across, shout at the station
39 Byrnes of "Grease"
40 Quake site
41 Frothy citrus dessert
46 Pothole's place
47 Jimmy's successor
48 See 38-Across
51 Type of brandy whose name means "water of life"
56 Women's swimsuit size factor
58 Capri, for one
59 Puppy bites
60 Mascara problem
61 Ring decisions, briefly
62 Sample
63 Sample

DOWN

1 Langley and Travis: Abbr.
2 Botanical skin treatment ingredient
3 "Julius Caesar" setting
4 Globes
5 Bad guys
6 Flag throwers
7 Many a "Lord of the Rings" character
8 Dogpatch gal
9 Lion, for one
10 Icelandic poetic work
11 Really long time
12 Star followers
14 Begat
17 It's darker than royal blue
18 Dijon denials
22 Is compelled to
23 __ wave
24 Of practical value
25 Domain
26 Canadian rd. distances
27 "Amazing" paranormal debunker
28 Freeze over
29 Spicy bean dish
30 Kunta __: "Burton's "Roots" role
35 Morally degenerate
36 Condition treated with Ritalin, briefly
37 Car for a large family
40 Most doting
42 Takes the podium
43 Standard
44 Munich matrons
45 Typical barbershop complement
48 Slightly
49 Perform on sidewalks, in London
50 Scandinavian capital
51 Glimpse
52 Austen heroine
53 Victory signs
54 __ the finish
55 To be, in Brittany
57 Balloon contents

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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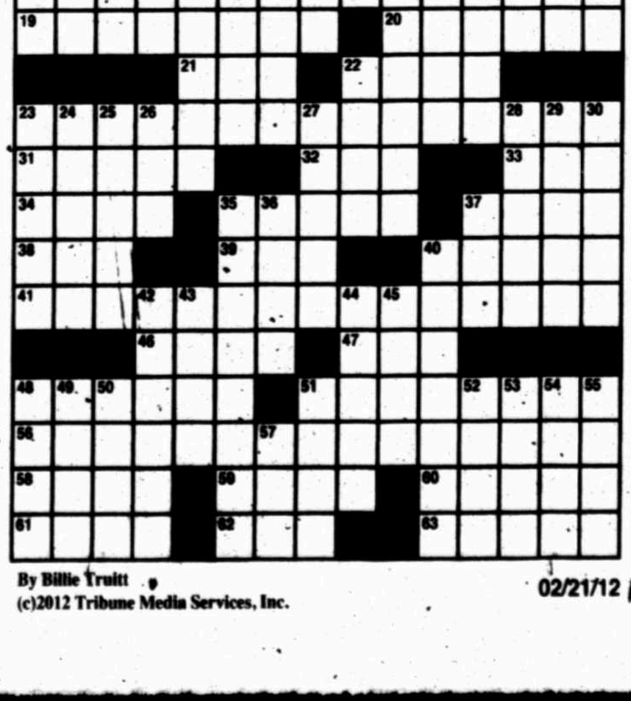

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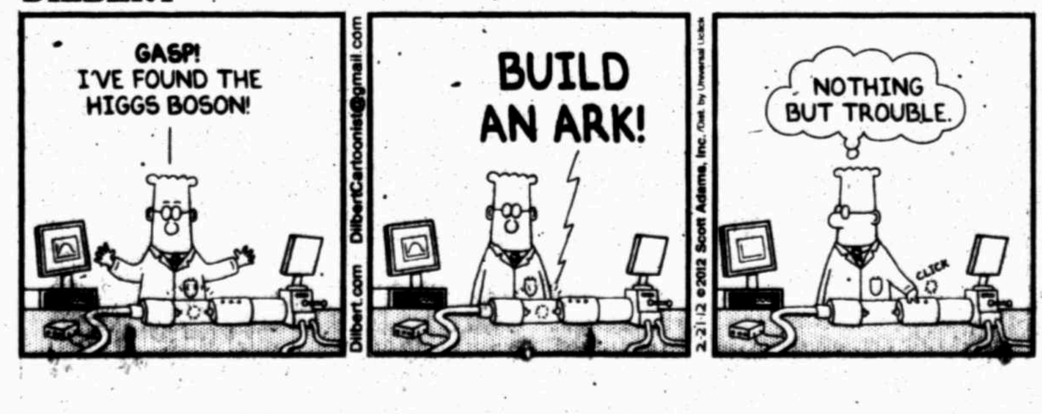

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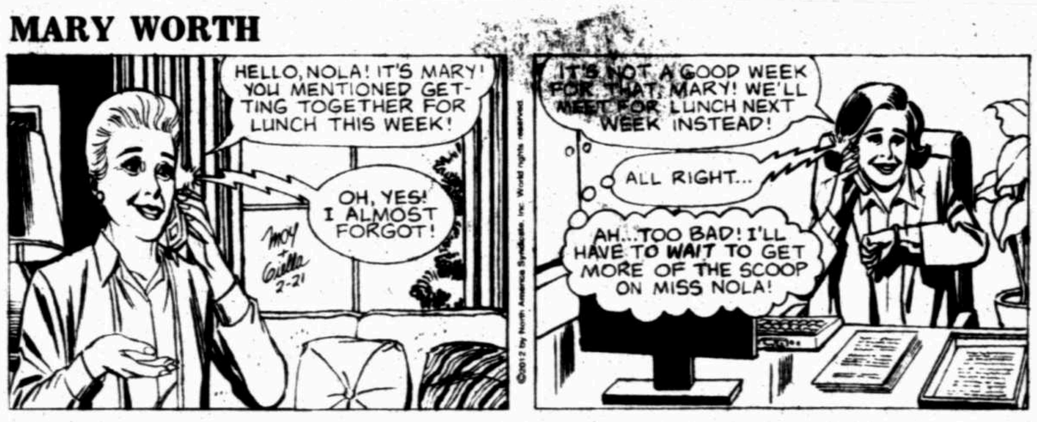

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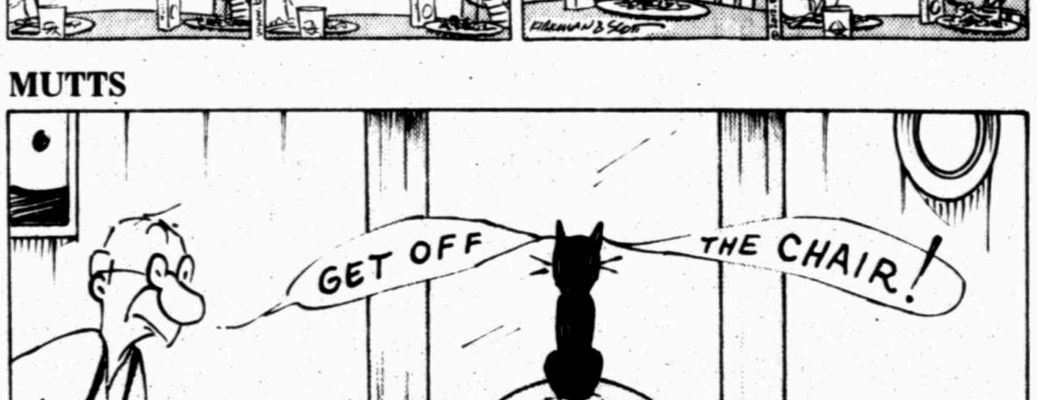

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President Barack Obama pumps up a gun, above, designed by Joey Hudy, left, of Phoenix, to shoot a marshmallow in the State Dining Room of the White House in Washington, Feb. 7, during the White House Science Fair. Obama hosted the second White House Science Fair celebrating the student winners of a broad range of science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) competitions from across the country. LEFT In this Sept. 16, 2011 file photo, Obama, with students Meghan Clark, center, and Nathan Hughes, right, watches as they demonstrate their FIRST Robot, during a visits to a classroom at Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology in Alexandria, Va.

Obama's inner geek: robots to flying marshmallows

By Jim Kuhnhenn
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — For a president who promotes technology at every opportunity, Barack Obama often strikes an awed, self-effacing pose in the presence of technicians, scientists and high tech machinery.

"If I'm nodding, you should just assume that everything you said is going completely over my head," he once told winners of a New York science fair.

Still, he loves the stuff.

At no point has his inner geek been more evident than on Tuesday as he mischievously — "The Secret Service is going to be mad at me about this" — helped fire an eighth-grader's award winning high-speed marshmallow air cannon at the drapes of the White House's elegant State Dining Room.

From factory floors to classrooms, from high-tech centers to the White House residence itself, Obama steeps himself in the innovative, sometimes feigning interest while at others showing genuine delight.

He dons safety goggles to tour manufacturing plants with state of the art equipment. He steps gingerly around scooting robots built by teenage engineers. And, like many a dad, he helps his daughters with their science projects, even dropping eggs from the White House's Truman Balcony to test the optimal soft landing.

To be sure, touring factories and schools is a staple of presidencies. But Obama, a Harvard University-trained lawyer, has placed greater emphasis on technology by making the point that in an era of scarce resources, government still must play a role investing in three key areas: research and development, innovation and education.

On Tuesday, Obama hosted the second White House Science Fair, an exhibit of more than 30 student projects that ranged from a system to detect nuclear threats to a prosthetic hand to portable disaster shelters. For nearly an hour, Obama toured the displays and visited with students, pressing them for details and admiring their work.

At factory or fair, Obama's reaction can range from bemusement to enchantment.

During a recent trip to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Obama examined an enormous conveyor screw used to transport foodstuffs. "What do you do to keep it so shiny?" he finally asked.

At an Alcoa plant in Davenport, Iowa, in June, Obama observed machines that milled aerospace parts. He then approached a handful of reporters who had been watching nearby: "Did you know aluminum is not magnetic? I learned something today."

The incongruity of some such moments is not lost on the president. Aides say he got a kick out of a New York magazine picture essay in 2010 depicting him in various factories, laboratories or workshops. The piece was titled "A History of Obama Feigning Interest in Mundane Things."

But he can also be impressed.

In October, as he saluted winners of the National Medals of Science and the National Medals of Technology and Innovation, Obama said: "It's safe to say that this is a group that makes all of us really embarrassed about our old science projects. You know, the volcano with the stuff coming out with the baking soda inside. Apparently, that was not a cutting-edge achievement even though our parents told us it was really terrific."

Robots figure prominently in Obama's catalog of impressive technological innovations. Over the past year he has been introduced to robots that perform tasks from simple retrieval to telecommunications. They often have names — Skrappy, Derp, Ned.

Ned, a sewer pipe inspection robot, was featured at the National Robotics Engineering Center at Carnegie Mellon University that Obama toured in June. "This is our guy we're gonna send into the sewer?" he asked. "He's sending back data as he's going through?"

"This is pretty cool," he concluded.

Robots were prominent during Tuesday's White House Science Fair too.

But nothing captured Obama's imagination more than Joey Hudy and his "Extreme Marshmallow Cannon."

"Let's try it out!" Obama declared, surprising aides and the handful of reporters who had gathered inside the State Dining Room for the tour. "OK, back up guys," Obama ordered. "This is a little impromptu."

Hudy, a precocious 14-year-old from Phoenix who confidently explained the apparatus to the president, began compressing air into his cannon with a tire pump. "Need some help?" Obama asked. Hudy stepped aside and let the president prime the gun. With two hands, he gave a final push. "That good? All right, OK, here we go."

Hudy explained the trigger mechanism before firing. With a loud air gun whoosh, the marshmallow projectile struck the far upper corner of the room.

"It came out pretty fast!" the president exclaimed. Then, as if to assure everyone, he added: "It was safe."

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Similar to you, I did some looking around and noticed I had about a dozen lists lingering between Outlook's tasks, notes, post-its and paper lists. Despite what looked like serious planning, I never knew what to work on next and my lists continued to grow instead of shrink. Frankly, it was depressing.

Several of your favorite prop-spinning writers have just started using a product called Workflowy (workflowy.com) that might just be your salvation. It worked for me.

Workflowy is a great tool for organizing your thoughts, prioritizing your tasks, and supporting collaboration. Thankfully, it is a breeze to learn and use. That means you won't have to add "learn workflowy" to your soon-to-be-managed to-do list.

I have now combined my tasks and plans into a single Workflowy list that I leave open on my desktop, iPad and Android phone all the time. This allows me to update or add to my lists as the need arises. In fact, I used Workflowy to help organize my notes for this article. Hopefully, you noticed positive results from the awesome planning.

Workflowy is a sibling of the hundreds of Y Combinator (ycombinator.com) venture capital startups. It was founded by Mike Turtzin and Jesse Patel in 2010 as an organizational tool to keep your "brain on a piece of paper."

Workflowy is a browser-based application, so you can easily run it from your office computer and most smart mobile devices. It requires a simple email registration before you start creating your own lists. The site has some very short, well-produced videos to get you going quickly. Because there is nothing to install, it can have advantages over products like Evernote (evernote.com). Because the list "lives in the cloud," it has some advantages over some of the simple task manager and collaborative tools you may be us-ing now.

The interface is so simple it can be intimidating. There are no predefined types, groupings or categories. Instead, you have a blank slate to create hierarchical lists. You simply type and press Enter to create more entries. If an entry belongs to a grouping, you press Tab to reflect the relationship. Common groupings include: Tasks, Goals, Projects, Plans, Clients, Shopping, Follow-up…you get the idea.

You can drag items around to reorganize, and collapse and expand groupings to help navigate through your lists. Items can be marked complete or annotated easily. You can add tags (like #urgent, #today, #Monday, #future) that can be used by the Search function to conveniently cross-categorize items.

Collaboration is pretty neat. You simply hover over a grouping and select share. Workflowy then gives you a link (with a unique URL) that you can send to folks to let them see or update the group. Updates can occur simultaneously, allowing for very efficient collaboration. The sharing function does not require collaborators to register; all they need is a browser to participate. We used this recently to develop a meeting agenda and used Workflowy to record notes from the meeting results.

After using Workflowy for a couple of weeks, I sent some improvement suggestions to their support team and was pleased to find them very receptive to continuing to improve their product.

If nothing else, just combining your various task lists into one and having it so readily available is a step in the right direction. You still might not do your most important task next, but it won't be because the string on your finger fell off.

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