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Immigration bill knot: 'Special' citizenship path

Congress debates what to do with the millions of immigrants already in the US

By Erica Werner
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — As Congress wrestles with immigration legislation, a central question is whether the 11 million immigrants already in the United States illegally should get a path to citizenship.

The answer from a small but growing number of House Republicans is "yes," just as long as it's not the "special" path advocated by Democrats and passed by the Senate.

"There should be a pathway to citizenship — not a special pathway and not no pathway," Rep. Jason Chaffetz, R-Utah, told ABC 4 Utah after speaking at a recent town hall meeting in his district. "But there has to be a legal, lawful way to go through this process that works, and right now it doesn't."

Many House Republicans say people who illegally crossed the border or overstayed their visas should not be rewarded with a special, tailor-made solution that awards them a prize of American citizenship, especially when millions are waiting in line to attempt the process through current legal channels.

It's far from clear, however, what a path to citizenship that's not a special path to citizenship might look like, or how many people it might help.

The phrase means different things to different people, and a large number of House Republicans oppose any approach that results in citizenship for people now in the country illegally. Some lawmakers say such immigrants should be permitted to attain legal worker status, but stop there and never progress to citizenship. That's a solution Democrats reject.

Nonetheless, advocates searching for a way ahead on one of President Barack Obama's second-term priorities see in the "no special path to citizenship" formulation the potential for compromise.

"I think there's a lot of space there," said Clarissa Martinez, director of civic engagement and immigration at the National Council of La Raza. "And that's why I'm optimistic that once they start grappling more with details, that's when things start getting more real."

Once Congress returns from its summer break on Monday, the focus will be on the GOP-led House. The Democratic-controlled Senate in June passed a far-reaching bill that includes a big, new investment in border security and remakes the system for legal immigration system, in

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Food for service

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Midland Fire Department Capt. Robert Wade, center, talks with Joe Bishop, Olive Garden general manager, after he and Melinda Wade drop off lasagna meals at Central Fire Station. Bishop and a restaurant employee served firefighters at all of the city's stations on Labor Day.

Olive Garden treats MFD to lasagna dinner

By Tyler White
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Midland firefighters were treated to free lasagna, salad and breadsticks on Labor Day after Olive Garden representatives delivered meals to the nine Midland fire stations.

Midland Olive Garden's general manager, Joe Bishop, accompanied a server to visit the stations and deliver the food. He said the free lunches allowed him and his employees — who started cooking the food at 7 a.m. Monday — the chance to give thanks to the Fire Department.

More than 800 Olive Garden restaurants nationwide delivered and served "Hospitaliano!" lunches to honor firefighters, police officers or hospital staff working on Labor Day. This is the 12th consecutive year that the restaurant chain has delivered lunches on Labor Day, according to a press release from the restaurant.

Bishop said the restaurant decided to serve the firefighters this year because they work long hours.

"They're always giving back to the community," he said. "It was a really cool thing to actually give back to them."

Bishop said the Midland restaurant will serve free food to the Midland Police Department during next year's Labor Day weekend.

Midland Olive Garden's service manager, Ricky Campbell, said Hospitaliano provides an opportunity to let emergency personnel and law enforcement officers know that their work is appreciated by the public.

"It's exciting to see those guys' faces when you're coming with all that food," Campbell said.

MFD Capt. Robert Wade, at Central Station, said it was wonderful to receive appreciation while working the holidays and it was really nice for the restaurant employees to go out of their way to thank them.

Nathaniel Joy, probationary firefighter at Station 4, said the food delivery was an awesome gesture by the restaurant chain. He said it's nice to feel appreciated when working on the holidays.

"It was a really nice surprise and we couldn't thank Olive Garden enough."

Congress considers bills targeting 'notarios'

By Uriel J. Garcia
Associated Press

DALLAS — Tatiana Jimenez left her native Guatemala seven years ago to escape an abusive relationship and begin a new life in America.

But she endured a different kind of abuse after she arrived in Washington, D.C., and sought legal help on her immigration status. With little knowledge of the system, she turned to an unscrupulous lawyer who had her sign a contract to pay $2,800 and charged her hundreds of dollars for immigration documents the federal government provides for free.

Several months later — after a series of canceled appointments from her lawyer — Jimenez sought help from an immigrant advocacy group that reviewed the matter and confirmed her suspicions: She had been duped. She discovered a front-desk receptionist had been left in charge of her paperwork and little if any progress had been made on her case.

"They assured me this wasn't the way

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Conaway town hall

U.S. Rep. Mike Conaway is planning a town hall meeting 5:30 p.m. today at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.

The meeting is open to the public.

Meetings today

Planning and Zoning Commission
3:30 p.m.
City Council Chambers, City Hall
300 N. Loraine St.

Midland College trustees
Public tax rate hearing
4 p.m.
Gibson Board room

Friends of MCT

Friends of MCT is hosting a training session for prospective members at 5 p.m. Thursday at the theater. Those who attend may visit with box office and audience services staffs and attend final dress rehearsal for "Three Murders and It's Only Monday."

For information, call Laura Abbott at 570-4111 or boxoffice@mctmidland.org

August weather report

Average high: 96.4
Average low: 72.1
Average temperature: 84.2
Typical average for August: 81.2 degrees (August 2013 was the 10th warmest August on record)
100-degree days: 7
Warmest day: Aug. 3 (102 degrees)

Precipitation in August: 1.18 inches
Average precipitation in August: 1.83 inches

Warmest Augusts on record
1. 2011 87.8
2. 1964 87.2
3. 1952 85.6
4. 1977 85.4
5. 2002 85.3
6. 1943 85.2
7. 1946 84.3
7. 1999 84.3
7. 2012 84.3
10. 2013 84.2

Source: National Weather Service

Today's support groups and clubs

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

■ Midland Chapter of NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness), 7 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church (Koinonoa Room); Judith Craig, 683-3648.

■ A confidential peer-to-peer support gathering for combat veterans, at Midland College Cogdell Center, 201 Florida Ave.; Steve Cree, 770-7469.

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

■ Parent Quest, for parents of special-needs children, meets 6-8 p.m., First Christian Church. For more information, contact Malissa Roach, SHARE program coordinator, at 349-1069.

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

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

Talk show schedules

News talk
KCRS (AM 550)
6-9 a.m. The Morning Drive with Robert Hallmark and Kurt Verlei
9-11 a.m. Lynn Woolley
11 a.m.-2 p.m. Rush Limbaugh
2-5 p.m. Dave Ramsey
5-6 p.m. Local news reports
6-9 p.m. Roger Hedgecock
9-midnight Hugh Hewitt
Midnight-6 a.m. Coast to Coast with George Noory
Web: http://www.newstalkkcrs.com/

KWEL (AM 1070, FM 107.1)
6-10 a.m. Morning Show with Craig Anderson
10 a.m.-noon, Herman Cain
Noon-2 p.m. Glenn Beck
2-5 p.m. Sean Hannity
5-7 p.m. Jason Moore
Web: http://www.kwel.com

Sport talk
KMND (AM 1510)
6-9 a.m. Mike and Mike in the Morning
9 a.m.-noon The Herd with Colin Cowherd
Noon-3 p.m. The Dan Patrick Show

Other options
Contemporary Christian: KFRI (FM 88.7), KLVW (FM 90.5)
NPR: KOCV (FM 91.3)

Today in history

Today is Tuesday, Sept. 3, the 246th day of 2013. There are 119 days left in the year.

Today's highlight
On Sept. 3, 1943, Allied forces invaded Italy during World War II; the same day Italian officials signed a secret armistice with the Allies.

On this date:
In 1923, the United States and Mexico resumed diplomatic relations.

Lottery

Pick 3 day: 6-7-9
Pick 3 night: 0-3-7
Daily 4 day: 8-1-4-2
Daily 4 night: 8-3-1-8
Cash Five: 10-19-20-33-36
Texas Two Step: 15-24-25-33
SB: 9

Associated Press

Fourth-grade students at Washington Elementary School in Monticello, Ill., on Aug. 28 eat popsicles to stay cool as their teacher reads to them.

'Heat days' become more common for sweaty schools

Associated Press

CHICAGO — When city students arrived for the first day of school under the blazing temperatures of a Midwest heat wave, staff greeted them with some unusual school supplies: water bottles, fans and wet towels to drape around their necks.

What they couldn't always offer was air conditioning.

"It's kind of hard to focus because everyone was sweating," said Deniyah Jones, a 12-year-old seventh-grader at Nash Elementary School on Chicago's West Side, which has just a few window units for the entire fortress-like brick and stone building.

This year's late August heat exposed a tug-of-war in school districts that are under pressure to start school earlier than ever but are unable to pay to equip aging buildings with air conditioning. Parents who worry hot classrooms are a disadvantage for their kids are issuing an ultimatum: Make classes cooler or start the year later.

"Thinking about air conditioning — we can't even afford new textbooks," said Bement Community Unit School District Superintendent Sheila Greenwood, who oversees a tiny district of 380 students about 20 miles southwest of Champaign, Ill.

Many people can recall school days spent inside ancient, brick-construction buildings that on sweltering days seemed as hot as pizza ovens. But hot classrooms are becoming a bigger problem for schools than in years past, and increasingly, getting a "heat day" is as common for students as a "snow day."

As temperatures soared past 90 last week, some Midwest schools gave students extra water and bathroom breaks or canceled after-school activities. Districts from St. Joseph, Mo., and Frankfort, Ind., sent kids home early. In Fargo, N.D., five schools got the week off, and schools in Minneapolis closed down, too.

"I was up on the third floor and it was 93.8 degrees in the classroom and the kids hadn't been there in hours," said Matt Patton, superintendent of a one-school district in Baxter, Iowa. "You put 20 bodies in there and it will go up to at least 95 and you can imagine all the sweat on the desks and textbooks."

For years, schools have been moving to start the year in late or mid-August rather than just after Labor Day, when it is typically cooler. Part of the reason is that schools need more training days for standardized testing and new academic standards. Holiday breaks have also grown longer, and administrators say the only direction they can go is back into August.

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things are, that I wasn't filling out the right documents and the amount of money (I paid) wasn't right, either," Jimenez said, breaking down in tears.

Such deception has long existed in the U.S. and often flies under the radar of authorities targeting higher-value fraud cases. Congress may address the issue as part of proposed immigration reforms that could expand protections against con-artists offering help to those seeking citizenship.

"This is a foreseeable problem," said Rep. Bill Foster, D-Illinois, who introduced a House bill that calls for a fine and up to 10 to 15 years in federal prison for fraudulently offering immigration legal services.

There is no federal statute that specifically addresses the unauthorized practice of immigration law, though the U.S. Department of Justice said federal authorities are able to prosecute using other statutes. The DOJ would not address whether Foster's legislation as well as a related Senate-approved bill would spur it to pursue more cases — many of which don't involve more than a few hundred dollars.

Experts say putting a specific federal law on the books would be an effective deterrent in places where local authorities don't have the resources to handle the extra workload. They say these non-lawyers who attempt to handle complex cases can consequently ruin the singular opportunity an immigrant has for immigration benefits, and in worst cases can get their clients deported.

"Every time we have (debates) on immigration reform we have those individuals who try to prey on the disadvantaged," said Doug Stump, president of the American Immigration Lawyers Association. "And many of these people are non-lawyers — or notaries — who just kind of come out of the woodwork at a time when it seems convenient."

A federal database alerts state authorities about crooked attorneys or non-lawyers who advertise themselves as "notarios" — the Spanish word for notary public that in Latin America implies authorization to practice law. Some states go after the lawyers using consumer laws.

The Federal Trade Commission started keeping track of such complaints in 2006 and gradually saw an increase of annual cases reported by private consumers and the Department of Justice. The FTC's database has nearly 3,000 complaints — but experts and federal officials agree the scope of the problem is much bigger.

FTC lawyer Michael Waller said many cases go unreported because immigrants living illegally in the U.S. fear legal repercussions if they report the fraud to authorities.

"If I could have one thing, it would be for people to complain," he said. "It's one of the most important things they can do to help stop this kind of fraud."

Since 2002, the Texas attorney general's office has used state consumer laws to shut down more than 75 businesses that unlawfully provided immigration services. Other border states such as California, Arizona and New Mexico have similar laws that allow them to crack down.

One of their targets was Elias Bermudez, a tax preparer who has been ordered at least twice to stop offering immigration services to clients because he was not certified to do so.

In 2009 a county judge in Arizona ordered him to halt the practice after clients alleged they paid thousands of dollars for services they never received. He moved to New Mexico last year but was soon shut down by the state attorney general because he was not authorized to provide immigration consulting services.

Bermudez defended the services he provided his clients and said the proposal to expand the federal government's enforcement role would be a "disservice" to the immigrant community.

"There are a lot of people out there who can do good (immigration) work and are able to do it at a very reasonable price," he said. "And do you think the community is against saving money?"

Besides criminalizing notario fraud, Foster's bill would allow immigrants who were deported because of unscrupulous lawyers to re-file their immigration cases. It also calls for U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services to create grants for reputable organizations to provide legal services to immigrants.

A section within the Senate's immigration bill, which passed in June, would require anyone assisting an immigrant with legal documents to identify themselves on the paperwork. It would also allow the U.S. attorney general to create more specific regulations to sue immigration service providers.

Some states such as Arizona and Texas say they have no objection to having the federal government offer more help in a crackdown on notario fraud. But it remains unclear how relevant the proposal will be after lawmakers return this month to Washington.

Both chambers appear at odds over specific immigration reform proposals, including a Senate-approved bill that would offer a 13-year path to citizenship for the 11 million immigrants in the country illegally. A majority of House Republicans oppose a pathway to citizenship. Congress also faces looming deadlines on the debt ceiling and spending bills to keep the government running.

Meanwhile, nonprofit groups across the country that help immigrants find legal help are paying close attention to the debate. They say the problem of notario fraud is made worse because they don't have the resources to serve everyone. And those who are turned away because they don't qualify for certain programs often find notarios willing to offer promises they can't keep.

"Sometimes they don't like what they hear from (immigration lawyers) so they turn to someone who tells them what they want to hear," said Manuel Robles, a coordinator with Catholic Charities of Dallas, which has immigration attorneys who help with social services. "I tell people who come here that they have to be honest because we can't help them if they lie about their status."

Child endangerment charges dropped against Midland couple

From staff reports

Charges of endangering a child brought against a Midland man and woman in August have been dismissed, according to court documents.

Carol Ann Clegg, 26, and Walter James Petronella Jr., 34, had two second-degree felony charges of abandoning or endangering a child with imminent danger of bodily injury dismissed because of insufficient evidence in the case, according to a motion to dismiss document.

However, Petronella still faces prosecution for one count of that same charge. If convicted, he faces up to 20 years in prison.

Midland County investigators responded to an incident the afternoon of July 31 in the area of North County Road 1140 and East Highway 80.

They received reports that two children, ages 3 and 6, were walking on the side of the road while the temperature outside was 100 degrees. The investigators found the children, who said their mother spanked them, told them to get out of the house, and then told them she didn't want them and to "find a new family and not to come back," according to the arrest report.

Their mother, Clegg, drove by the investigators and her children, and when she saw them, she got out of the vehicle. She told investigators she was looking for the children. When they returned to Clegg's home, she ran inside and came out with a baby girl.

Meanwhile, a man, identified as Petronella, arrived at the home on foot, which led investigators to believe the baby was left home alone, according to the report. The document didn't indicate where Petronella had gone when he left the house.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Jose R. Espinosa, 43, of Plano, was arrested Sunday on a charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Johnny Garza, 47, of Midland, was arrested Sunday on a third or more charge of driving while intoxicated with an open alcohol container.

Robert J. Lynch, 21, of Midland, was arrested Sunday on a charge of evading arrest or detention with a vehicle.

Manuel Marmolejo Jr., 31, of Midland, was arrested Sunday on a charge of burglary of a habitation.

Michael Martinez, 29, of Midland, was arrested Sunday on charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and violation of probation.

Travorsey T. Polk, 33, of Midland, was arrested Sunday on a charge of obstruction or retaliation.

Erik Silva, 20, of Fabens, was arrested Sunday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Corey D. Underhill, 38, of Midland, was arrested Sunday on a charge of violation of probation.

Jimarr L. Whitaker, 27, of Victorville, Calif., was arrested Sunday on charges of aggravated assault against a public servant, obstruction or retaliation and assault on a public servant.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

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addition to creating a 13-year path to citizenship for those already here illegally.

House Republicans have rejected the Senate approach, promising to proceed instead with narrowly focused bills, starting with border security. No action is expected on the House floor until late fall, at earliest, because of pressing fiscal deadlines that must be dealt with first.

The timing crunch, along with the significant policy and process disagreements, has left some supporters pessimistic about the future of immigration legislation. They find hope, however, in some recent comments from House Republicans around the country suggesting they could support a solution that ends in citizenship at least for some who now lack legal status.

Democrats, some Republicans and most outside immigration advocates are pushing for a relatively straightforward path to citizenship like the one in the Senate.

It imposes certain restrictions, seeks payment of fees, fines and taxes, and requires that prospective immigrants attempting the process legally are dealt with first. Once those criteria are met, most people here illegally could get permanent resident green cards in 10 years, and citizenship in three more. Agriculture workers and immigrants brought to this country as children would have a quicker path.

That approach is rejected by most House Republicans as a "special" path to citizenship.

"It's not a bill I can support," House Judiciary Committee Chairman Bob Goodlatte, R-Va., said at a Verona, Va., town hall meeting recently. "We think a legal status in the United States, but not a special pathway to citizenship, might be appropriate."

Goodlatte has said that after attaining legal status, immigrants could potentially use the existing avenues toward naturalization, such as family or employment ties.

He and others also argue that many immigrants would be satisfied with legalization alone, without getting citizenship. That's something many advocates dispute, though studies show that a significant number of immigrants who are eligible for citizenship haven't taken that step — about 40 percent in a Pew Hispanic Center study in February.

Goodlatte has not provided much detail on how he foresees immigrants moving through existing channels from legalization to citizenship. Depending on its design, such an approach could touch anywhere from hundreds of thousands to many millions of the 11 million people here illegally. So if House Republicans end up taking that approach, how they craft it would help determine whether Democrats and the advocacy groups could go along.

For now, advocates say that making immigrants here illegally go through the existing system would help relatively few of them.

Current law says that someone who has been in the country illegally for more than a year has to return to their home country for 10 years before re-entering legally, which would likely dissuade many people.

Moreover, existing family sponsorship channels are badly backlogged, and many are capped. People applying for citizenship through their siblings face waits of more than 20 years in some cases, for example. On the employment side, existing visa programs are difficult to use and inadequate to meet demand, and also face long backlogs.

NATION BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

NEW ORLEANS

11-year-old girl dies after shooting at home

Gunmen opened fire on a New Orleans home early Monday, fatally wounding an 11-year-old girl and injuring another child and a man, police said.

Arabian Gayles was shot in the head just after midnight and died at an area hospital later in the morning, according to New Orleans Police Department spokesman Garry Flot. Her name was released by a spokesman for the city coroner's office.

Two other people — an 11-year-old girl who is Arabian's cousin and an unidentified 38-year-old man — also were wounded in the shooting. Police said their injuries weren't considered life-threatening.

New Orleans Mayor Mitch Landrieu said the police department is "working around the clock" to identify suspects in the shooting and appealed for the public's help.

"The violence in New Orleans won't be stopped unless everyone gets involved," he said in a statement.

Flot said a family was inside a home on General Ogden Street when shots were fired into the house around 12:15 a.m. Two other adults and several other children ranging from 4 to 9 years old were sleeping at the residence at the time of the shooting but weren't injured.

NEW YORK

Dad of tot shot in stroller likely target

Police investigating the death of a 1-year-old boy shot in the head in his stroller said Monday they believe his father was the target.

Authorities have some leads in the killing of Antiq Hennis on a Brooklyn street on Sunday night and believe his death may be gang-related, police Commissioner Raymond Kelly said. Antiq's father, Anthony Hennis, has a criminal record and wasn't cooperating with police in their investigation, said Kelly, who didn't elaborate.

Hennis, 21, had just gone to pick up Antiq at the home of the baby's mother, Cherise Miller, and take him to visit Hennis' grandmother, police said. Hennis put the boy in the stroller and was pushing him across a street in the Brownsville neighborhood when shots rang out, police said.

Hennis' grandmother, Lenore Steele, said she heard shots before Hennis ran up to her.

"And he fell on the ground and said, 'Grandma, my baby got shot! My baby got shot, Grandma!'" said Steele, flanked by community group leaders and mayoral candidate Bill Thompson. "He was such a beautiful little baby, smiling and talking to everybody."

Grief and outrage over Antiq's shooting loomed over the annual West Indian Day Parade about a mile and a half away, where Mayor Michael Bloomberg called the killing "a tragedy for his family, for this community, for the entire city" and political candidates talked about gun violence.

Unlikely Salinger detective spent decade on trail

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Shane Salerno's phone never stops ringing.

Known until now as a screenwriter for "Armageddon" and "Savages," working by day on a sequel to "Avatar," he has taken on a surprising and news-making identity: the latest, and, apparently, greatest seeker of clues about J.D. Salinger.

Salerno is finally opening up about a private quest he worked on for a decade, spending $2 million of his own money. Stating that he has found more than even he had imagined, including what the author might have written over the last half century of his life, Salerno is presenting his case in "Salinger," a unique, three-way project: A 700-page book, co-authored with David Shields; a theatrical release distributed by the Weinstein Co.; and a TV documentary that will air on PBS in January as the 200th installment of "American Masters."

Earnest and energetic with sharp, narrow blue eyes and dark, brushed-back hair that could qualify him as an honorary Baldwin brother, the 40-year-old Salerno seems an unlikely candidate for breaking Salinger ground. He is not an experienced biographer, a trained academic or investigative journalist. He is, instead, a lifelong Salinger fan, a believer and a go-getter who has often succeeded simply by refusing to quit.

"When I get something in my head, I go after it with extreme passion and I went after this for a decade with extreme passion," said Salerno, who reportedly negotiated seven-figure deals for each edition of "Salinger."

Salerno has come as close as anyone to giving the public a peek into the safe in Cornish, N.H., where Salinger allegedly stashed his unreleased manuscripts. Citing two independent sources, he has alleged that several more Salinger books are on the way, including new material on Holden Caulfield and on the Glass family that Salinger featured in "Franny and Zooey" and other books. No one, so far, has disputed Salerno. Salinger's longtime publisher, Little, Brown and Co., has declined comment. So has Salinger's son, Matthew.

The results of his work can be found, in part, in a four-room office suite in Brentwood. There are rare editions of Salinger books, including a reviewer's copy of "Franny and Zooey" that includes the critic's handwritten notes ("Owes a lot to Faulkner," reads one comment). He has a rejection slip The New Yorker sent to Salinger, informing him they were not interested in "The Catcher In the Rye." He has folders marked "Personal Letters," "Divorce Papers" and "The Vault/The Safe."

Salerno interviewed hundreds of people and has amassed hundreds of documents, letters and photographs. For a time, he had an agreement with a Salinger family member — Salerno won't say who — to cooperate on the project, but the deal fell through. But "Salinger," the book and movie, still features notable new material:

■ Photographs, letters and other materials from Salinger friend Paul Fitzgerald, whose close bond with the author lasted from World War II to 2010, the year Salinger died. (Paul Fitzgerald died just months later.) Fitzgerald's son, John, said in an email that his father had always respected Salinger's privacy, but that the family also believed it was time to "shed light" on misinformation. "After many lengthy conversations with Mr. Salerno, I knew that this would be the very vehicle to do so," he said.

The great prize was a World War II snapshot so tiny that no one at first could make out what it contained. "He (John Fitzgerald) called up and he said, 'I don't know what it is. It looks like he's at a table,'" Salerno said. "I remember sending out my assistant to run out and buy a magnifying glass."

There was indeed a table, with an open notebook or journal on top, in or near a forest. A mustachioed Salinger looks up with a warm but careful smile, a cigarette in hand. Salerno verified that the snapshot was the only known photo of Salinger working on "The Catcher in the Rye." (A caption on the back reads: "The writer in our outfit, Jerry Salinger, taking time out to pose").

■ The end of a decades-long silence by a woman who as a teen in the 1950s formed an intense bond with Salinger and was a model for the title character in his story "For Esme — With Love and Squalor." Jean Miller spoke at length about their relationship and provided letters Salinger sent to her.

"I felt now I was in a position to tell my side of the story without, as Salinger was dead, betraying him," Miller said in an email. "I trusted Shane to tell my story. He had worked on this for so many years. He had Salinger's best interest at heart. He was not one of these parasites chasing down Salinger."

■ Unprecedented detail about his war years and brief, first marriage.

■ The discovery, based on an interview with the widow of TV and movie director Peter Tewksbury, that Salinger strongly considered allowing Tewksbury to adapt "Esme" into a feature film.

Salerno was born in Memphis, Tenn., in 1972, and was raised primarily by his mother as the family moved from Memphis to Washington, D.C. to San Diego. He went to the movies all the time — "theaters were kind of like a babysitter" — and cites two films as fundamental — the blockbuster "The Empire Strikes Back" and a cult thriller, "Thief," Michael Mann's feature debut.

"Basically, my career has lived in those two worlds," he said during a recent interview.

By high school, he was serious enough about movies to make one himself, an anti-drug documentary, "Sundown," that attracted national attention after Larry King aired it on CNN and interviewed the baby-faced filmmaker. Salerno was in such a hurry to get to Hollywood that he didn't bother with college or even attend his high school graduation. Instead, he found work as an apprentice on the crew for "NYPD Blue" and by age 30 had worked on projects with Winslow, Michael Bay and Steven Spielberg.

The idea for the Salinger project came about a decade ago. Salerno was in a Burbank bookstore and picked up a copy of Paul Alexander's 1999 biography, "Salinger." Anxious to be his own boss, fascinated both by what he knew and didn't know about Salinger, Salerno acquired film rights to Alexander's book. His original plan: Make a narrative feature and get Daniel Day-Lewis to star.

"I thought Daniel Day-Lewis not only perfectly encapsulated Salinger, but when Daniel Day-Lewis is made up for events he can look strikingly like Salinger at certain angles," Salerno said.

"But I knew that ... he would want to know so much, there was so much research and diligence. So I really began preparing the research in order to prepare for a meeting that I hoped would happen with Daniel Day-Lewis. Then I did a couple of interviews (about Salinger) over the phone and interviews in person and it became clear to me that this was a documentary."

The "Salinger" movie and book have a diverse, unpredictable cast. There are authors (Gore Vidal, Tom Wolfe), biographers (Paul Alexander, A. Scott Berg), friends and former lovers, an unnamed man that former Salinger lover Joyce Maynard once dated and such film stars as John Cusack, Philip Seymour Hoffman and Edward Norton. Salerno said he wasn't trading in on Hollywood connections or simply trying to add brand names for box office appeal. The actors he chose were dedicated fans.

"My belief is that there are people that have pieces of this story, or perspectives on this story, that are valid without them being Harvard or Princeton professors of literature," Salerno said.

"Ed Norton's point of view on certain things can be looked at one or two ways. You can look at it as, 'Ugh, some actor's talking about J.D. Salinger.' Or you can say, 'You ever listen to that guy? He really has an extraordinary perspective on Salinger.'"

Salerno, like any top Hollywood writer, is an old hand at never asking for something just once. He was willing to work for years to get contributors. He remembers calling Berg so many times that the Pulitzer Prize-winning biographer, whose subjects have ranged from Hollywood mogul Samuel Goldwyn to President Woodrow Wilson, lectured him on protocol: Be persistent, but don't nag. Call every few weeks, not a few times a week.

"In my memory, I told him the story of a cat that once went under my house and how at first I kept trying to shout at it to get out," said Berg, whose comments are used in both the film and the book. "And then I realized that I should just pour a dish of milk and place that a few feet from the house and leave the cat alone. I recall telling him to 'Let the cats come to the dish, even if it takes days, months, or years.'"

Salerno didn't get everyone he wanted. He wrote to director John Hughes, a Salinger obsessive whose "The Breakfast Club" was influenced by the author. But Hughes, a Salinger-like figure within Hollywood who left town in the 1990s, declined. John Updike also turned him down.

The book and film feature the famous and the infamous, like old TV footage of John Lennon's killer, Mark David Chapman, who has often cited "Catcher" and its condemning of "phonies" as a reason he shot the ex-Beatle. Salerno even considered speaking with Chapman, currently an inmate at the Wende Correctional Facility in Alden, N.Y.

"We started to go down that road, and felt it was such a slippery slope," he said.

Salerno doubts that the film and book will stand as final statements; the recent publicity has brought in a wave of new materials. Sorting through his papers, Salerno shows a Salinger letter from 1967 he just received in which the author disputes his image of being a man who dislikes movies. A recent tip Salerno could lead to "global news," he said with characteristic enthusiasm.

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In this undated image provided by The Story Factory, "Catcher in the Rye" author, J.D. Salinger plays with his dog, Benny. Shane Salerno, a screenwriter, has taken on a surprising and news-making identity: the latest, and, apparently, greatest seeker of clues about J.D. Salinger.

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Southern Baptist Theological Seminary President Albert Mohler speaks at the school's convocation ceremony to open another academic year, in Louisville, Ky., on Aug. 20. Mohler has led the seminary for 20 years.

Head of Southern Baptist school marks 20 years

Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — For the last 20 years, Albert Mohler has led the flagship school of the Southern Baptist Convention, restoring it to more conservative principals even though it meant purging faculty who were out of step with his beliefs.

He expressed satisfaction with the transformation as he recently welcomed a new crop of students to the Louisville campus of stately brick buildings and perfectly manicured lawns. Donations, enrollment and the school's budget have grown dramatically since Mohler took the helm, and there's no sign of him leaving.

"I'm going to do it until they pry my cold, dead fingers," he said, making light of his two decades at the school. "There's a right time for everything. But I'm 53 and I fully intend to be here for my adult life. I'm not going anywhere else. This is where the Lord's called me and planted me."

Mohler took over as president of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1993, when he was just 33. He is married and has two children.

When he speaks, it's often rapid fire, with vigor and emotion. He talks about the seminary's current prosperity as a sign of God's blessing on the institution because it rejected liberal trends in society. He returned it to more conservative social ideas, such as the submission of women to their husbands, and a more strict interpretation of the Bible, such as the literal belief in Adam and Eve.

Mohler has risen to become an intellectual leader among conservative evangelicals and a well-known personality through his blog, books and television appearances.

But his personal growth and the seminary's is in contrast to the Southern Baptist denomination as a whole. Although still the nation's largest Protestant denomination, with a declared membership of 16 million people, the SBC does not wield the same political influence it did when President George W. Bush addressed the group's annual meetings.

And while the SBC's return to a conservative theology at first coincided with growth, in 2012 the denomination saw its sixth straight year of declining membership.

When Mohler took over as president, the massive upheaval known as the conservative resurgence was well under way in the SBC, but even 14 years later, Southern still employed professors who held theological positions Mohler and others considered to be wrong.

For instance, some professors believed parts of the Bible were metaphorical, according to Nancy Ammerman, professor of sociology of religion at Boston University and author of "Baptist Battles." They might believe that God created the Earth but used evolutionary mechanisms to explain it. They didn't believe the six-day creation in Genesis literally referred to six, 24-hour days, she said.

One of the biggest conflicts was the role of women, both in the church and at home. The conservatives believe women should submit to their husbands and not teach men in the church or become pastors.

Bill Leonard, a professor of church history and Baptist studies at Wake Forest University, taught at Southern until 1992. He was Mohler's church history teacher at Southern.

Leonard said he knew he would be forced out after conservatives became a majority of the board of trustees in 1991, so he left on his own accord.

"It's less painful now," he said. "I would never have gotten to Wake Forest, which is the joy of my life, if I hadn't been forced to leave. But it was painful at the time, extremely painful, because we loved that place."

Leonard said Southern is doing quite well, but he attributes much of the success to Mohler's strong personality and ability to recruit students and donors.

"While Southern Seminary seems healthy and thriving, the denomination that supports it is not," he said. "That's the gorilla in the sanctuary."

During Mohler's tenure, enrollment has grown to 4,366 last year from less than 3,000. The seminary's budget has more than doubled, from $16 million when he took over to $38 million. The seminary's endowment has risen from $50 million to $83 million. New buildings have been built on campus and others have been renovated.

Mohler recognizes both the SBC and the seminary are no longer within the mainstream on many issues, perhaps most notably on gay rights. While not addressing any one issue directly, Mohler called on students to stand for what they believe is right.

The temptation is to stay silent, to avoid offending some in society, he said.

"To fail to say something, or to be silent in a time of trouble, is sin," he said at a recent convocation on campus.

In an interview, Mohler acknowledged the personal toll that accompanied the seminary's transformation. Professors had to find new jobs and families had to move, but he's at peace with the overhaul.

"I know that it was right, and there's no regret in doing what I know was right," he said. "But there is a sober reality and recognition that the personal costs were very high."

No free lunch, maybe, but a free Mass. prep school

Associated Press

BOSTON — It's big, beautiful and free, but a 217-acre former prep school campus in the hills of northern Massachusetts has also proved tough to give away.

Last year, an extensive effort to donate the Northfield campus by the billionaire family that owned it collapsed when the recipient unexpectedly backed out.

Its current owner, the National Christian Foundation, said it has narrowed its search down to five potential recipients as they consider suitors that aren't exclusively Christian, dropping a condition of the previous search.

The top two or three candidates could be announced within a month and definitely will be by Christmas, said Aimee Minnich, president of the foundation's Heartland office in Kansas.

Meanwhile, residents and business owners in the town of about 3,000 are ready to see new life at a campus that has been vacant for eight years, leaving a hole in the town's social and economic life. Joan Stoia, co-owner of The Centennial House bed and breakfast on Main Street, said residents have learned to be patient.

"Quick doesn't happen with this kind of decision, and that's what we're all learning," she said.

"What can we say?" she said. "We can't make it any faster than it is. (The campus is) not ours; we don't control it. So we're here to be helpful in any way possible."

The campus is the former home of the Northfield Mount Hermon school, which was founded by 19th-century evangelist D.L. Moody.

The school moved out in 2005 to consolidate at another campus, but the property is still heavy with the aura of the exclusive New England prep school it once hosted. Its 43 buildings fill a rich, rolling stretch of the Connecticut River Valley with a stately mix of granite and brick.

The campus' religious history lingers, as well. At Moody's hilltop grave, pilgrims meet to join hands and pray.

The Green family, which founded and owns the Oklahoma-based Hobby Lobby craft store chain, bought the campus in 2009 intending to give it to a new college named after Christian apologist and writer C.S. Lewis.

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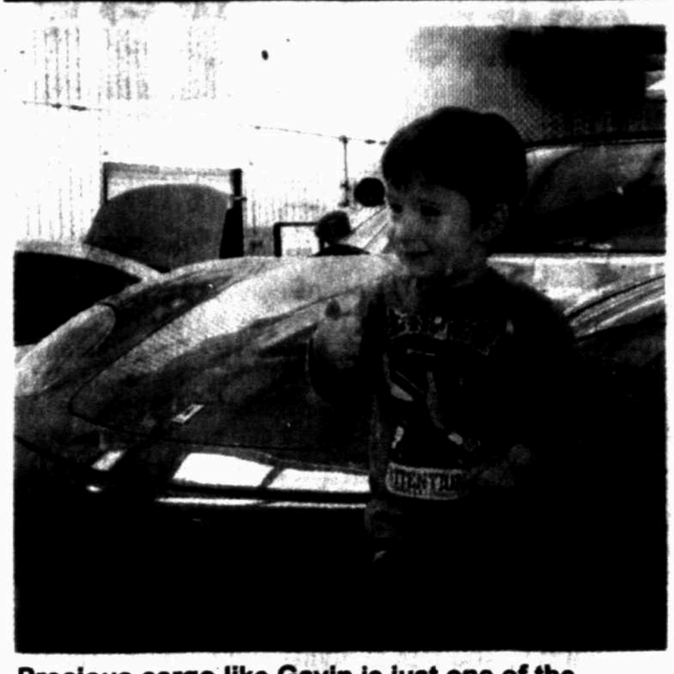

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School's back in session—Allstar says 'Drive safely'

With school back in session, Allstar Refinishing and Collision owner Allen Frasier has a simple message for everyone: Drive safely!!

Oh, yes, part of that message is for school zones. They're back in operation and those 20-mile-per-hour zones are there to protect the kids, no matter what kind of hurry you're in. Please remember to slow down!

And there is another aspect to Allen's reminder, and that goes to the new drivers in high school. After all, this is the age group Allen sees a lot of at Allstar! "If you're a new driver, especially if you just got your license over the summer, be sure and remember that driving to and from school is probably a lot more hectic than anything you saw this summer," Allen notes. "Pay attention to what's around you, don't show off and use that blinker! You don't want your very first stop as a new driver to be at the body shop. And you sure don't want to hurt anyone."

For all drivers, school zones are among the most challenging places to drive, especially at school start times, at lunch, and at the end of the school day. So if you are not involved in school dropoff and pickup, it's a good idea to try to get your driving done at other times, whenever possible.

If you do need body work, be sure and see Allen at Allstar—his friendly staff will make sure your vehicle is brought back to the highest standards of repair. But he sees the results of so many accidents that could have been prevented by the driver slowing down a bit, being alert to what's around him, realizing that there are other people on the road—and by not being distracted by cell phones, music devices or other in-vehicle distractions.

A little more alertness and a little courtesy can go a long way toward making things safer on the streets in general and in school zones in particular, says Allen.

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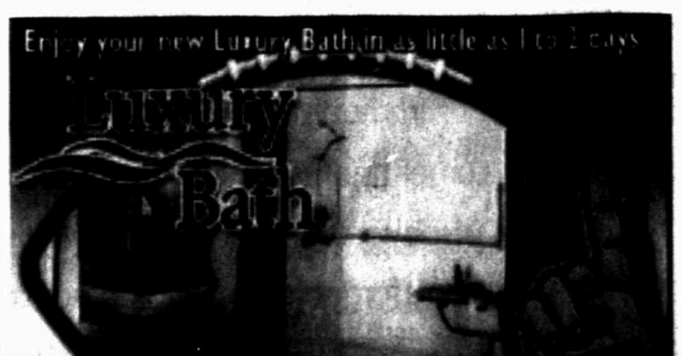

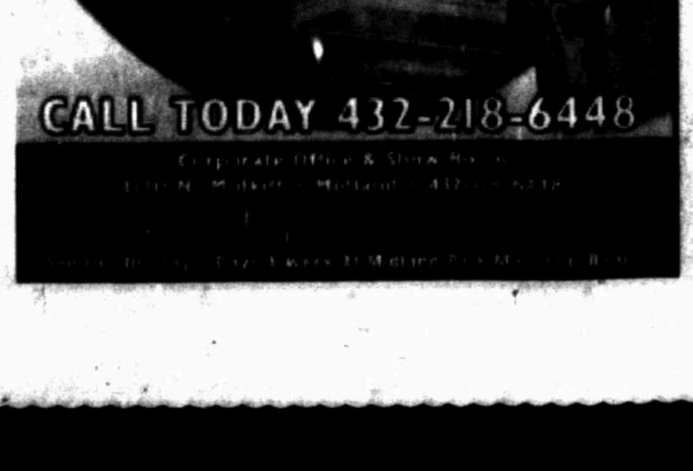

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Trending now—flooring tile with warm wood tones

Southwest Floors' Travis Kendrick is seeing a new flooring trend rising in this area: ceramic tile with the warm earth tones of wood.

"People are putting this in pretty much every room in the house except the bedroom—and occasionally even there," Travis reports. It's in the usual places, the kitchen and bath, but this tile is also going into hallways, living rooms, dens and game rooms, too.

If you are trying to imagine square tiles looking like wood, you'll be pleased to know that these "wood" tiles come in 4"x24" and 8"x48" sizes, among others, that look like wood planks.

"Everybody loves the warm look of a wood floor, but wood is a fairly soft material that shows wear over time—especially dents and scratches," Travis points out. Wood and tile both have the advantage of being easy to clean and not trapping dust and allergens. But tile, both ceramic and porcelain, lasts and lasts.

There are lots of patterns, based on real wood grains. You can choose a light, cheery color for the kitchen and den, and a darker, more formal type for the living room or formal dining room. Or you can pick your favorite look and spread the joy all through your home. There are shades of natural brown, of course, but there are also hints of red, blond, tan and others that give a richer flavor to your flooring. Tile maker Interceramic has been making these tiles for years, and now they're joined by some other well-known flooring names, including Mohawk and Shaw.

"People in this area are really going for the wood look with the durability of tile," Travis says. He and Tebo Vaughn can help you get just what you're looking for.

You're bound to have questions about installation schedules, care and cleaning and other things, so go by Southwest Floors and ask away. Travis and Tebo will be happy to give you all the information you need, then let you make the decision you'll be happy with for years to come.

As popular as wood-looking tile is, Travis adds that people still put carpeting in most bedrooms because that's where those bare toes hit the floor to start the day. Those toes are asking for a soft, warm wakeup call, so carpet is still the flooring of choice there, and Southwest has a wide selection of choices to match your décor.

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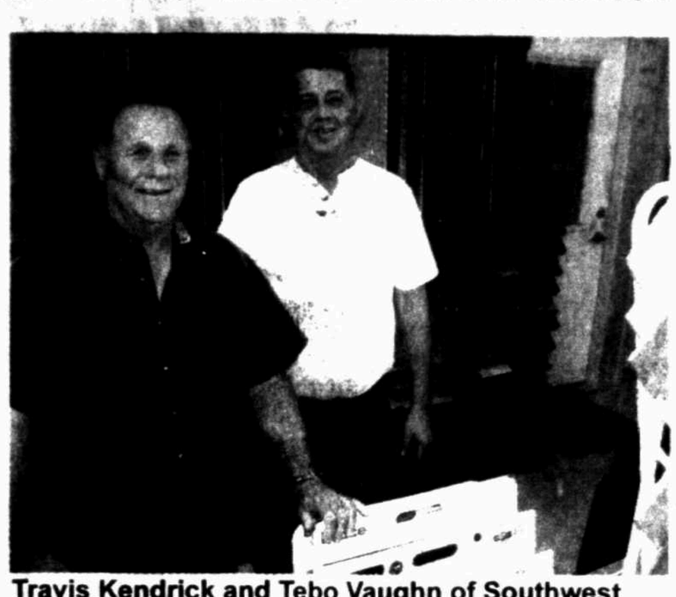

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Obama: Good grief, I look old. So much gray.

Mirror: *Aw, lighten up, Bo, it makes you look distinguished. You can't wage war without a few streaks of worry showing in your face and hair.*

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Buddy was also a dog. What's your problem?

Nothing, just trying to keep you grounded. So what's it going to be, Mr. Red Line? You going to go it alone?

What the hell?! What is wrong with David Cameron? I can't count on anybody! (Obama nicks his chin.) First, John Boehner can't get those tea party nitwits to do anything — *anything!* — and now the Brits won't go with me to Syria. Where's Tony Blair when you need him?! Probably making a pilgrimage someplace. Maybe I should become a Catholic, too. Then I can say, oops, I guess I was wrong, but, you know, I did what I thought was best.

I'm not sure Cardinal Dolan would go for that after you, ahem, misled him on the whole religious liberty thing. But, hey, at least you've got the French.

Ah *oui*. Assad must be terrified.

But, yeah, Blair and Bush didn't even have WMD. We at least know that Assad has chemical weapons and used them against his own people. You're stuck with those images, buddy. Oh, sorry. Have you heard from Colin?

Noooooooooo. (Chuckles.)

Maybe he could help.

I must be sick. Suddenly I want to talk to W, the poor slob. He got saddled with yellowcake. I'm yoked to red line. Why are we always talking in primary colors? I feel like an idiot. I'm not a war president! I'm an end-the-war guy. I'm a drone striker, not a missile cruiser. I just wanted to heal the sick, help the poor and maybe shift a tide here and there. I feel like I'm going to throw up. All those kids. Oh my god.

(A woman's voice penetrates the closed bathroom door.)

Michelle Obama: Barack, what are you doing in there? Your steel-cut oatmeal is getting cold. Did you want some fair-trade organic blackstrap molasses on that? Barack? Barack? OK then, I've got a mani in five. I'll just leave it on your dresser. Don't forget to take your Male Supreme tonic. And your bloodroot and burdock root. Oh, hey, Dawn! I didn't hear you come in. So I'm thinking blue shellac. Crazy, right?

President: MehmehMEHmehmehmehmeh.

Mirror: *Look, Mr. President, you're much too hard on yourself. Read your own lips: No good options. You probably shouldn't have drawn the red line, sure, but who knew Assad would go there? And by the way, let's enjoy a moment of irony, shall we?*

*Your Republican pals? You know, the ones who were in a swoon over shock and awe, suddenly they're the ones urging caution? Now they're the ones who want U.N. approval? Suddenly **THEY** need absolute proof that Assad used chemical weapons. Where was this skepticism when we invaded Iraq? Rich.*

Well, if we learned anything from that fiasco, it's that no matter how noble our intentions going in, we can't control what happens the day after. And whatever worse is, worse will happen. It's that damned red line. Why can't I just say, look, all I said was there would be consequences and that Assad would be held accountable?

That doesn't mean I have to bomb Syria and possibly ignite a global war. Russia, Iran, Hezbollah — they'd love it. Better that I overstated a bluff than that I spill more blood and possibly enter into yet another endless war with people who will hate us no matter what. Without international support. ... Who knows where it will end?

But the children, Mr. President. Those images. The suffering. 100,000 dead. Your credibility.

I know, I know.

(Obama presses a towel to his chin and reaches for his cell, punching 1 on speed dial.)

Hello, George? Got a minute?

OUR VIEW

Next council should vote on future of Energy Tower

The races for the city council have been finalized. The candidates even have drawn their ballot positions. There's not much left to do but the campaigning. We have already said we want the issues to be the topic du jour. However, we are a bit surprised that with everything facing Midland — the roads, housing, infrastructure, water, etc. — one issue has more Midlanders' attention than any other, and that is Energy Tower at City Center.

The problem is that technically Energy Tower really shouldn't be an issue. As we have learned, the Midland City Council could vote on an incentive and transfer of property before the end of the calendar year. The new council wouldn't meet for the first time until January.

Therein lies a big problem. The one topic Midland voters will want candidates to address more than any other during the campaign will be yesterday's news.

So, in our view, the right move is for the votes related to Energy Tower — incentives and transfer of property — to not take place until there is a new mayor and new council.

There are reasons for this.

First, the original plan was to vote next spring on the transfer of property to Energy Tower developers.

Second, the current mayor rightfully will be abstaining from the vote. The mayor, the leader of the city, needs to be on the record when a vote takes place. Mayor Wes Perry is a downtown property owner, and to avoid the appearance of conflict of interest, he has abstained from voting on Energy Tower issues.

Third, two other councilmen could be lame ducks when a vote takes place. So when groundbreaking takes place, three members of the council at that time won't have had a say on what happens. We are sure that the current scenario is not part of someone's master plan for Midland domination, but we believe it just doesn't feel right. Those participating in the pomp and circumstance of the groundbreaking — if the vote takes place — should be required to own that vote.

Lastly and most importantly, the project — which could transform downtown unlike any other and could require an incentive that is larger than the current record holder ($12 million) by a factor of five or six — should be a campaign issue. There are people in this community who have called for this transfer of wealth, no matter how it happens, to require a vote of the people. We are not going there, although we will remind those in favor of the project that the current incentive request would be more than the amount of all but two voter-approved bonds.

We hope there is more community discussion on this, because that discussion is good for the process. And it will be better for Midland moving forward.

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Questions linger after Hasan court martial comes to a close

KEN HERMAN
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FORT HOOD —

For several weeks, I watched a fanatic plot his suicide as he proved that you can lead a defendant to trial but you can't make him defend himself.

Maj. Nidal Hasan — barred by military law from pleading guilty as he preferred — wanted, deserved and got the ultimate punishment for his rampage at Fort Hood back in November 2009. The death sentence was returned Wednesday.

I leave the post with lingering questions about the court-martial in which his fate, pending mandatory appeal, was decided by 13 soldiers of Hasan's rank or higher. Seems fair, jury of your peers and all that. But let's think about this.

The Army is an employer that teaches intense loyalty to colleagues. We who have never served can't understand the bond among warriors. Multiply that loyalty by a soldier's responsibility to a fallen comrade.

Now think about letting career soldiers sit in judgment of a traitor accused of killing 12 soldiers and one retired soldier.

Those are the rules. Here is the question, one posed without questioning the integrity of the soldier jurors in this case: Is this like letting IBM employees sit in judgment of somebody accused of a massacre of IBM employees at an IBM facility?

My next question percolated Tuesday as I sat in the courtroom about 12 feet behind Hasan, who earlier told the court that as a U.S. solider he was "on the wrong side of the war against Islam." He acted on that twisted epiphany by going to Guns Galore to arm up for a one-man jihad — and, in his mind, a one-way ticket to paradise — against GIs coming home from or heading to Afghanistan or Iraq.

Fight them here, he thought, so allies on his new team won't have to fight them there.

Where have I heard that strategy before? I know. It was at the White House when I covered President George W. Bush.

"It's better to fight them there than here," Bush often would say. It made sense then. It makes sense now, which leads to two troubling questions that in no way justify Hasan's actions.

If the strategy of killing enemy combatants on their home turf makes sense for us, doesn't it also make sense for the other side? (Remember, U.S. soldiers became Hasan's perceived enemy.) And don't many of us hope that the CIA or military or whoever handles such missions tries to get folks on the other side to switch teams and kill folks in training over there, so we don't have to fight them here? Or, put another way, to do what Hasan did at Fort Hood.

And if we are doing it, doesn't that mean the other side also has widows and parents and kids enduring the horrific grief we heard on the Fort Hood witness stand last week from survivors of those killed by Hasan?

Again, nothing herein is offered as any kind of justification for Hasan's unjustifiable acts. It's an attempt, meager perhaps, to figure out how a soldier psychiatrist gets crazy enough to open fire on fellow soldiers.

War, somebody once sort of said, is something other than heaven.

In the end, the soldier jurors chose death as the proper punishment for the man who killed and injured their colleagues. But what are we to make of the fact that that's what Hasan — hell-bent on martyrdom but more likely hell bound — wanted?

This crime warranted the most severe penalty. This criminal covets the most severe penalty.

Is a punishment supposed to fit the crime or the criminal?

Sometimes, as in this case, the two are not the same.

My last lingering question stems from a quote from Mark Todd, the then-Fort Hood policeman whose shots downed Hasan and ended the horror.

Todd, now disabled by a medical condition unrelated to the shootings, offered a statement that was read into the record. He said this about what he did after he shot Hasan:

"I started checking his vitals, you know, trying to save his life," he said.

My question, and perhaps yours, is this: Why?

In that answer lies the difference between us and them.

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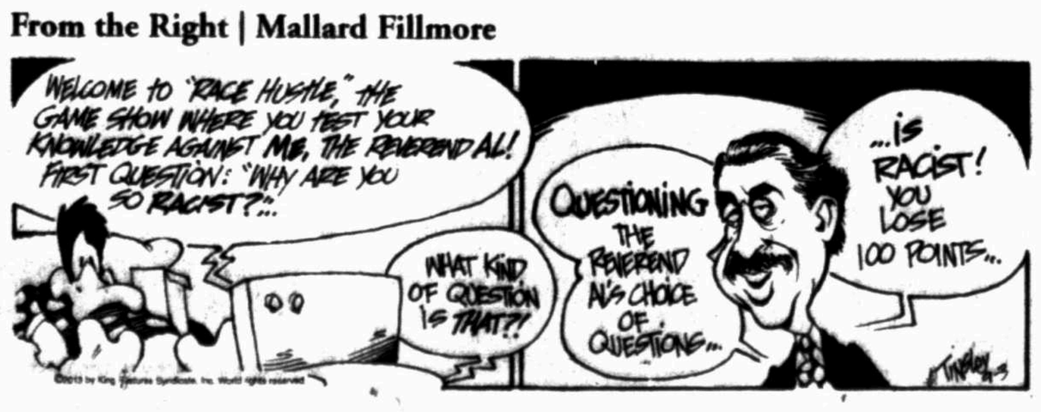

SYRIA BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

WASHINGTON

In first major test, Obama overrules new team

For President Barack Obama's new foreign policy advisers, the first test of their willingness to undertake military action wound up being a stark lesson in the president's ability to overrule them all.

Obama's abrupt decision to seek congressional approval before striking Syria also overshadowed what had been a surprising level of consensus among the second-term team members about how to respond to a deadly chemical weapons attack against civilians in Syria.

People close to the deliberations say Secretary of State John Kerry, Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel, national security adviser Susan Rice and U.N. Ambassador Samantha Power largely agreed about the need to use force to punish Syrian President Bashar Assad. While there were some differing views about the speed and the scope of an attack, there were no splintered factions the way there had been during first-term debates over taking action in Libya or launching the raid that killed Osama bin Laden.

The advisers, two of whom are former senators, were also willing to proceed without congressional authorization. But on Friday night, after a week spent speeding toward military action, the president made a stunning turnabout and decided he wanted approval from lawmakers before carrying out an attack.

"While I believe I have the authority to carry out this military action without specific congressional authorization, I know that the country will be stronger if we take this course, and our actions will be even more effective," Obama said as he announced the decision Saturday. "We should have this debate."

WASHINGTON

Obama tries persuading the skeptics on Syria

President Barack Obama worked on Monday to persuade skeptical lawmakers to endorse a U.S. military intervention in civil war-wracked Syria, winning conditional support from two leading Senate foreign policy hawks even as he encountered resistance from members of his own party after two days of a determined push to sell the plan.

Sens. John McCain, of Arizona, and Lindsey Graham, of South Carolina, said Obama still needs to make a strong case for attacking the regime of President Bashar Assad, but they toned down past criticism that the president's plan was too weak to change the course of the fighting in Syria in favor of the opposition.

"We have to make it clear that a vote against this would be catastrophic in its consequences," now and in future international crises, McCain told reporters outside the White House following an hour-long private meeting that he and Graham had with Obama.

But the outcome of any vote remained in doubt amid continued skepticism in a war-weary Congress. Several Democrats in a conference call with administration officials pushed back against military action, questioning both the intelligence about a chemical attack last month outside Damascus and the value of an intervention to United States interests, according to aides on the call. Others demanded narrower authorization than that requested by the administration.

"The White House has put forward a proposed bill authorizing the use of force that, as drafted, is far too broad and open-ended, and could be used to justify everything from a limited cruise missile strike to a no fly zone and the introduction of American ground troops," said Rep. Adam Schiff, D-Calif., a member of the House intelligence committee.

Strike against Syria could spark regional war

Associated Press

PARIS — France released an intelligence report on Monday alleging chemical weapons use by Syria's regime that dovetailed with similar U.S. claims, as President Bashar Assad warned that any military strike against his country would spark an uncontrollable regional war and spread "chaos and extremism."

The verbal crossfire, including a rejection of the West's allegations by longtime Syrian ally Russia, was part of frenzied efforts on both sides to court international public opinion after President Barack Obama said he would seek authorization from Congress before launching any military action against Assad's regime.

In an interview with French newspaper Le Figaro, Assad was quoted as saying that Syria has challenged the U.S. and France to provide proof to support their allegations, but that their leaders "have been incapable of doing that, including before their own peoples.

"If the Americans, the French or the British had a shred of proof, they would have shown it beginning on the first day," he said, deriding Obama as "weak" and having buckled to U.S. domestic political pressure.

"We believe that a strong man is one who prevents war, not one who inflames it," Assad said.

French President Francois Hollande and Obama have been the two world leaders most vocally calling for action against Assad's regime, accusing it of carrying out a deadly chemical attack against rebel-held suburbs of Damascus on Aug. 21.

The U.S. said it has proof that the Assad regime is behind attacks that Washington claims killed at least 1,429 people, including more than 400 children. Those numbers are significantly higher than the death toll of 355 provided by the aid group Doctors Without Borders.

It has marked an intolerable escalation in a two-year civil war in Syria that has left some 100,000 people dead.

The Syrian government denies the allegations, and blames opposition fighters. In the Figaro interview, Assad questioned whether an attack took place at all and refused to say whether his forces have chemical weapons, as is widely believed.

If the U.S. and France strike, "Everyone will lose control of the situation ... Chaos and extremism will spread. The risk of a regional war exists," he added.

To back up its case, the French government published a nine-page intelligence synopsis Monday that concluded Assad's regime had launched an attack on Aug. 21 involving a "massive use of chemical agents," and could carry out similar strikes in the future.

In all, though, the French report provided little new concrete evidence beyond what U.S. officials provided over the weekend in Washington. Along with it, the French Defense Ministry posted on its website six clips of amateur video showing victims, some of which has already been widely available online and in the international media.

In the Figaro interview, Assad said "all the accusations are based on allegations of the terrorists and on arbitrary videos posted on the Internet."

The French report made no specific reference to the agencies involved or how the intelligence was collected about the attack, aside from referring to videos of the injured or killed, doctors' accounts, and "independent evaluations" such as one from Paris-based humanitarian aid group Doctors Without Borders three days after the attack.

A French government official, speaking on condition of anonymity because he wasn't authorized to speak about the matter because of its sensitivity, said the analysis was written by the spy agency DGSE and the military intelligence unit, DRM, and was based on satellite imagery, video images, and on-the-ground sources — plus samples collected from the alleged chemical attacks in April.

The assessment said it was "very unlikely" that Syria's opposition had falsified images of suffering children that turned up online. It also said intelligence indicated the opposition "does not have the means to conduct such a large attack with chemical agents."

Around the time of the attack, Assad's regime feared a possible opposition strike on Damascus: "Our evaluation is that the regime was looking to loosen the vice and secure the strategic sites for the control of the capital," the report said.

The synopsis also said French intelligence services had collected urine, blood, soil and munitions samples from two attacks in April — in Saraqeb and Jobar — that confirmed the use of sarin gas.

France is "determined to take action against the use of chemical weapons by the regime of Bashar Assad, and to dissuade it from doing so again," Prime Minister Jean-Marc Ayrault said after hosting lawmakers to discuss the intelligence on Syria. "This act cannot go without a response."

France won't act alone and Hollande was "continuing his work of persuasion to bring together a coalition," Ayrault said. French parliament will debate the Syria issue Wednesday, but a vote is not scheduled. The French constitution doesn't require such a vote for Hollande, though he could decide to call for one.

Russia, which along with Iran has been a staunch supporter of Assad through the conflict, brushed aside Western evidence of an alleged Syrian regime role.

"What our American, British and French partners showed us in the past and have showed just recently is absolutely unconvincing," Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov said Monday before the French report was released. "And when you ask for more detailed proof they say all of this is classified, so we cannot show this to you."

"There was nothing specific there, no geographic coordinates, no names, no proof that the tests were carried out by the professionals," he said, without identifying which tests.

Russian President Vladimir Putin proposed to send a delegation of Russian lawmakers to the U.S. to discuss the situation in Syria with members of Congress. Two top Russian legislators suggested that to Putin, pointing to polls that have shown little support among Americans for armed intervention in Syria.

On Sunday, U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry said Washington received new physical evidence in the form of blood and hair samples that show sarin gas was used in the attack. It wasn't immediately clear whether that evidence had been shared with Russia.

U.N. chemical inspectors toured the stricken areas last week, collecting biological and soil samples, but it is not clear when they will present their findings.

The Obama administration has failed to bring together a broad international coalition in support of military action, having so far only secured the support of France.

Britain's Parliament last week narrowly voted against the country's participation in any military strike, despite appeals by Prime Minister David Cameron. The Arab League has stopped short of endorsing a Western strike against Syria.

In an emergency meeting Sunday, the 22-state League urged the United Nations and the international community to take "deterrent" measures under international law to stop the Syrian regime's crimes. Russia or China would likely veto any U.N. Security Council resolution sanctioning a Western strike against Syria.

Associated Press

Syrian refugees arrive at the Turkish Cilvegozu gate border on Monday. Routine prevailed at a U.S.-Turkish airbase in southern Turkey on Monday, a day after the U.S. alleged that sarin gas was used in an August chemical weapons attack in Syria.

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U.S. endurance swimmer Diana Nyad walks on to the Key West, Fla., shore Monday as team members form a wall to protect her, as she becomes the first person to swim from Cuba to Florida without the help of a shark cage. Nyad arrived at the beach just before 2 p.m. EDT, about 53 hours after she began her swim in Havana on Saturday.

Nyad 1st to swim to Florida from Cuba without cage

Associated Press

KEY WEST, Fla. — Looking dazed and sunburned, U.S. endurance swimmer Diana Nyad walked ashore Monday, becoming the first person to swim from Cuba to Florida without the help of a shark cage.

The 64-year-old Nyad swam up to the beach just before 2 p.m. EDT, about 53 hours after starting her journey from Havana on Saturday. As she approached, spectators waded into waist-high water and surrounded her, taking pictures and cheering her on.

"I have three messages. One is, we should never, ever give up. Two is, you're never too old to chase your dream. Three is, it looks like a solitary sport, but it is a team," she said on the beach.

"I have to say, I'm a little bit out of it right now," Nyad said. She gestured toward her swollen lips, and simply said "seawater."

Her team said she had been slurring her words while out in the water. She was placed on a stretcher on the beach and received an IV before she was taken by ambulance to a hospital. But her doctor later declared her essentially healthy and expected her to recover quickly from dehydration, swelling and sunburn.

"I just wanted to get out of the sun," she said after coming ashore on a scorching, sunny day amid calm seas.

It was Nyad's fifth attempt and what she had said would be her last try to complete the approximately 110-mile swim. She tried three times in 2011 and 2012. Her first attempt was in 1978.

"It's historic, marvelous," said Jose Miguel Diaz Escrich, the Hemingway Marina commodore who helped organize the Cuba side of Nyad's multiple attempts.

"I always thought she could do it given her internal energy, her mental and physical strength, her will of iron," said Diaz Escrich, whom Nyad has called a longtime friend.

"More than the athletic feat, she wants to send a message of peace, love, friendship and happiness ... between the people of the United States and Cuba," he said.

President Barack Obama was among a flurry of public officials and celebrities who tweeted congratulations. The president's tweet read: "Never give up on your dreams."

Nyad's previous try was cut short amid boat trouble, storms, unfavorable currents and jellyfish stings that left her face puffy and swollen.

This time, she wore a full bodysuit, gloves, booties and a mask at night, when jellyfish rise to the surface. The new silicone mask caused bruises inside her mouth, making it difficult for her to speak, she told her team as she neared land.

Doctors traveling with Nyad had been worried about her slurred speech and her breathing, but didn't intervene, according to Nyad's website.

"She was incredible to watch the whole way through," said one of her doctors, Derek Covington, speaking with The Associated Press afterward.

Covington said Nyad was given IV fluids on her arrival to combat dehydration and was resting and being checked out at a medical center as a precaution.

Although she had some swelling of the lips, tongue and the airway near the mouth, Nyad wouldn't need a long recovery, the doctor said, calling her stable and "very healthy."

Nyad jumped from the seawall of the Hemingway Marina into the warm waters off Havana Saturday morning to begin swimming. She paused occasionally for nourishment, but never left the water.

The support team accompanying her had equipment that generated a faint electrical field around her, designed to keep sharks at bay. A boat also dragged a line in the water to help keep her on course.

Sumaya Haddin, of Miami, had been tracking Nyad's swim before her family's weekend trip to Key West. She was surprised to see Nyad's flotilla from a parasail off Smather's Beach on Monday morning, thinking she wouldn't arrive for another day.

"You couldn't see her, you could just see the boats. It was very exciting," she said.

Haddin said Nyad still had her fighting spirit when she arrived: "Getting into the ambulance, she had her peace sign up, her fist up. She was still fired up."

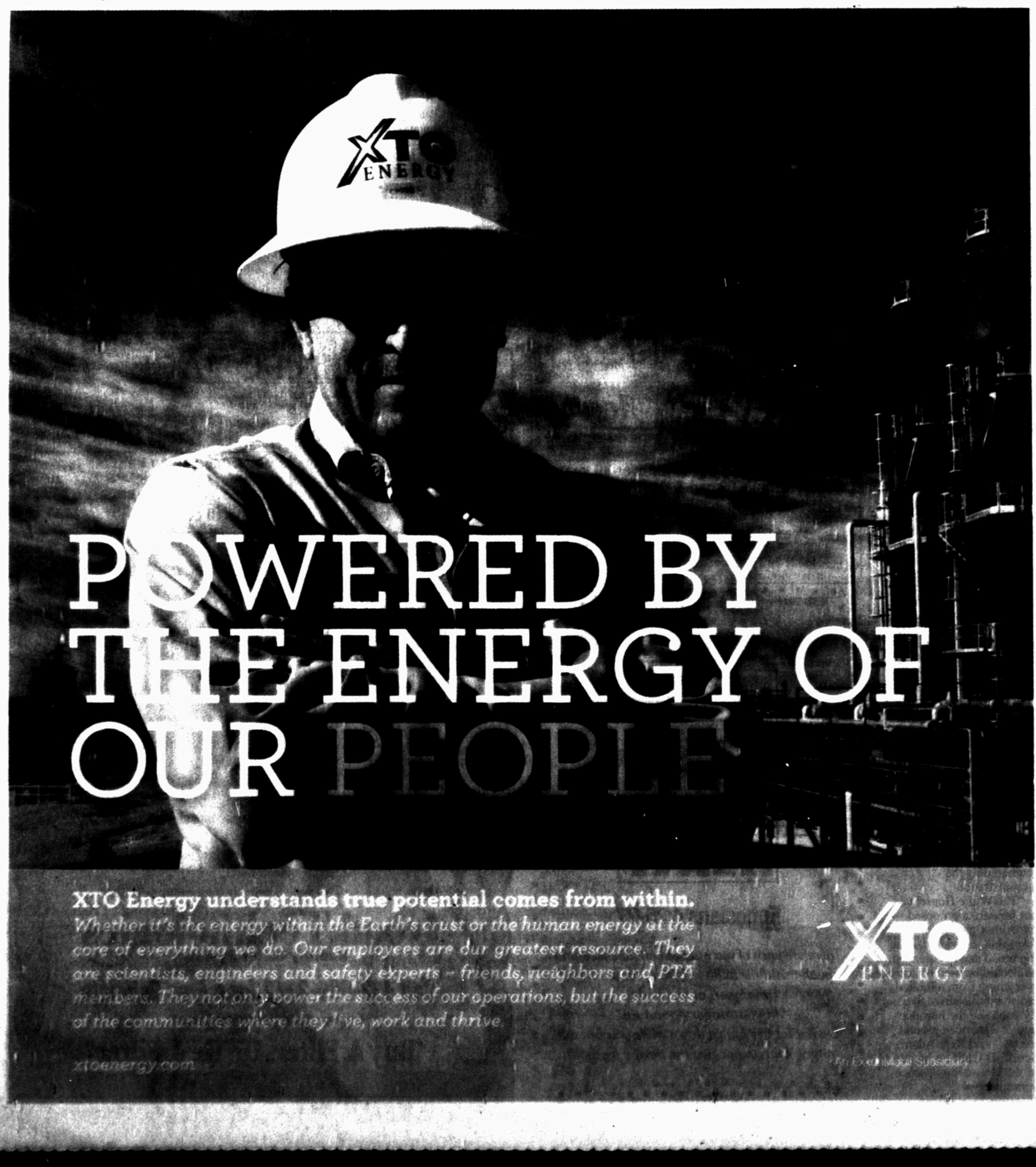
Australian Susie Maroney successfully swam the Strait in 1997 with a shark cage, which besides protection from the predators, has a drafting effect that pulls a swimmer along.

In 2012, Australian Penny Palfrey swam 79 miles toward Florida without a cage before strong currents forced her to stop. This June, her countrywoman Chloe McCardel made it 11 hours and 14 miles before jellyfish stings ended her bid.

In 1978, Walter Poenisch, an Ohio baker, claimed to have made the swim using flippers and a snorkel. Critics say there was insufficient independent documentation to verify his claim.

Nyad frist garnered national attention in 1975 when she swam the 28 miles around the island of Manhattan in just under eight hours. In 1979 she swam the 102 miles from North Bimini, Bahamas, to Juno Beach, Fla., in 27.5 hours.

Nyad is also an author of three books, a motivational speaker and has been a reporter and commentator for NPR.



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Dove season arrives with welcome new rule

MIKE LEGGETT
Austin American-Statesman

AUSTIN — Sunday — with hope in their hearts and shotguns in their hands — hundreds of thousands of camouflaged dove hunters dropped the hammer on the 2013 hunting season in more than 200 north and central Texas counties.

Everybody is predicting an outstanding season, and who am I to argue?

We've already had one little cold spell that motivated some birds to begin moving south. But a new set of doves slid in to replace those that left early and everything seems to be good again in the bird world.

About the only thing that could mess things up for Central Texas hunters is a massive dose of rain, but then we'd be getting some drought relief so that would be a mixed blessing.

From the Panhandle to South Texas, dove hunters and landowners are excited about the upcoming season. Among the reasons for that excitement is one rule change that's going to make a difference in the hunting experience for some people.

For the first time, hunters are now able to have in their possession three daily limits of migratory birds. We've always allowed that with quail in Texas but for ducks and geese and doves, federal rules set the possession limit at two times the daily bag.

Now to some folks, this might seem like greed on the part of hunters, but honestly it's not. It's more a reflection of reality and reason, a glimpse of how and when people go hunting.

Especially in South Texas, where hunting tends to be a long-weekend event Friday through Sunday, hunters will now be able to keep and bring home three limits of doves from the three-day weekend.

In the past, those same hunters could kill a limit each day — that's what a daily bag limit is — but they couldn't possess three limits in the ice chest on their way home.

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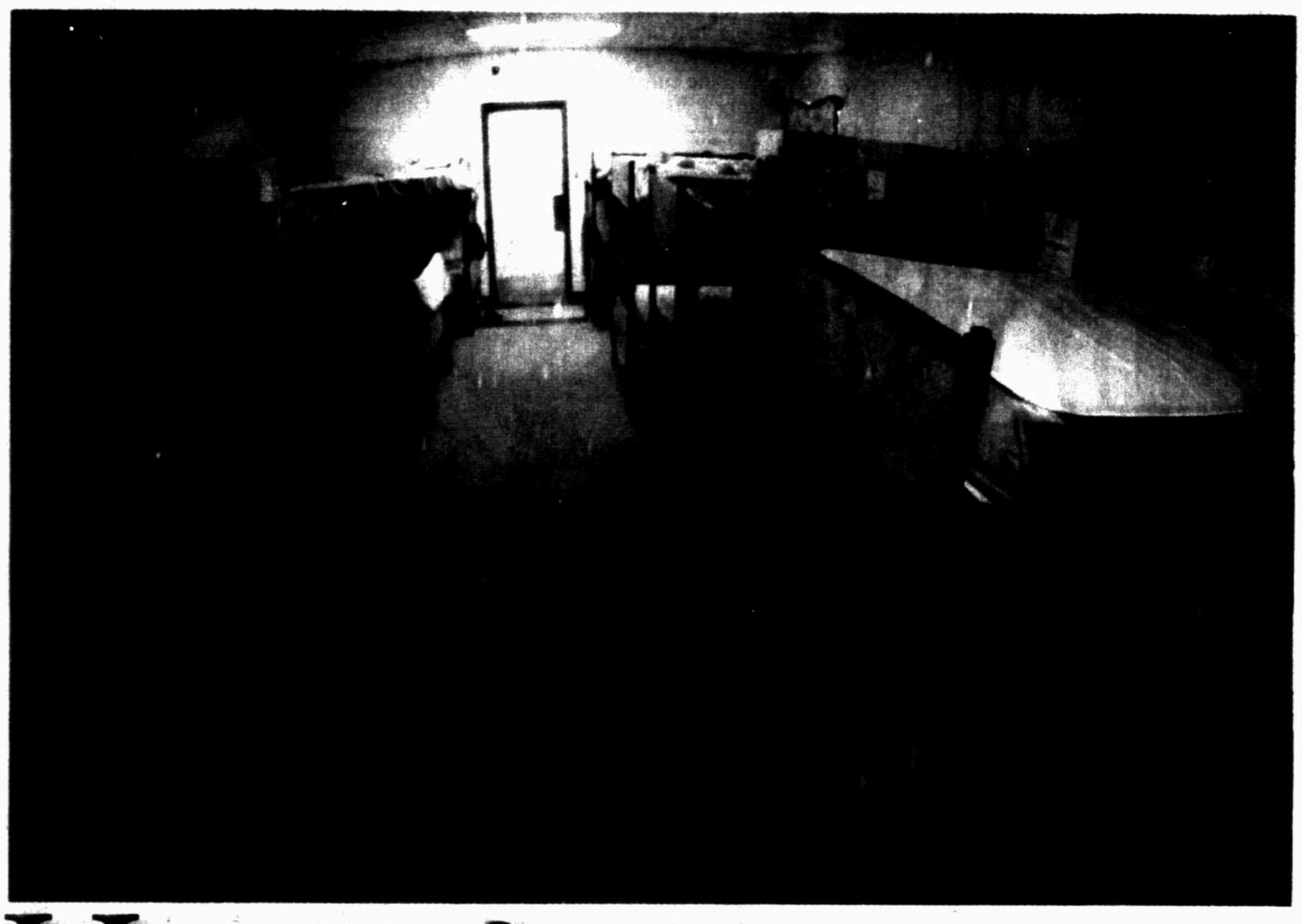

HOPE & SAVATION

Salvation Army searches for location for new homeless shelter

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The Salvation Army of Midland is beginning the process of building a new homeless shelter.

The current shelter, located at 300 S. Baird St., is the only emergency walk-in shelter for men, women and children in Midland, said Capt. Tex Ellis of The Salvation Army. It was acquired in the 1960s and does not have enough space for its residents, he said.

"Not only have we outgrown this facility, it is in disrepair," Ellis said. "It's just too small to accommodate the programs we have now."

The shelter currently has 26 beds and two "family rooms" for single mothers and children. The new shelter will hopefully have about 40 beds for men, 10 to15 beds for women and separate transitional housing units for families and single women with children, Ellis said.

The Salvation Army is trying to find a location for the new shelter. The current shelter is landlocked, so it cannot be expanded, Ellis said. The new property needs to be on the southeast side of Midland, where the majority of clients are located.

Ellis urged anyone who has suggestions on property that could be donated or purchased to contact The Salvation Army at 683-3614.

After a location has been determined, The Salvation Army will announce its campaign to raise funds for the new shelter. They have begun work with an architect to design the space and will hopefully announce the campaign by spring, Ellis said.

The current shelter will most likely be sold, depending on how big the new shelter will be, said Barbara Mamoulides, chairman of the local advisory board for The Salvation Army of Midland. The current shelter is attached to the thrift store, which will be retained unless the new shelter is big enough to house both the shelter and thrift store.

The Salvation Army had 95 shelter clients in July, Mamoulides said. Clients stay anywhere from one night to a few weeks.

"In the winter, when it's really cold, we can double that," she said. "And we don't have enough beds."

MRT file photos

TOP: The men's domitory area for clients at the Midland Salvation Army is shown in this Jan. 13 photo. **ABOVE:** One of the women's rooms. The organization is searching for property to build a new shelter.

Salvation Army annual fundraiser dinner to feature author Ron Hall

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One morning in the late 1990s, Ron Hall's wife, Deborah, woke up and told him about a dream she'd had.

Her dream was about a homeless man who she believed would change their lives and the city where they lived, Fort Worth.

"She asked me to go into the city and find this man," Hall said. "Her dream was so real that she believed if we found this man, our lives would be changed."

Hall reluctantly began a search for the homeless man from his wife's dream. He started working at a homeless shelter, and within two weeks, a man came in and "tried to kill everyone," Hall said.

His wife told him, "That's the man. I believe I heard it from God that you have to be his friend."

Thus sparked a friendship between Hall, an Army veteran, cowboy and artist, and Denver Moore, a homeless man from the streets of Fort Worth. Hall chronicles the friendship in his book, "Same Kind of Different As Me," which is also the inspiration for an upcoming movie.

Hall will speak at 6:45 p.m. Thursday at The Salvation Army of Midland's annual dinner at Midland Country Club.

The Midland chapter provides the only emergency homeless shelter for men, women and children in Midland, said Capt. Tex Ellis, of The Salvation Army. Hall's continued work with homeless people sparked the local chapter of the International faith-based group to invite him to speak at its annual dinner.

"It's a real tremendous book, and it's a great story that fits nicely with the mission of The Salvation Army," Ellis said. This will be Hall's third visit to Midland.

Tickets for the dinner are $50 per person and $500 to sponsor a table and can be reserved at 432-683-3614. Today is the deadline to make reservations

A silent auction will also be held at the event. Table sponsors will be invited to a private reception with Hall before the dinner.

Please see DINNER/2B

FOOD ETC.

Email Joan Huff at foodetcmrt@aol.com. See more recipes at mywesttexas.com.

Welcome fall with versatile apple

September is finally here and as the colors of the season change, I start thinking about fall recipes. Some of my favorite dishes to make during this time of year include apples. The delicious aroma that apples and cinnamon make while baking in the oven is hard to beat.

Your help wanted

What is your favorite recipe to make for Halloween? Send your recipe to foodetcmrt@aol.com or mail to the Reporter-Telegram, 201 East Illinois Ave., Midland, TX 79701, attention: Food Etc./Joan Huff or fax to 570-7650. Please include your name, phone number and source of the recipe. Deadline is Sept. 25.

This month, readers of Food Etc. were asked to share their favorite recipes that used apples in some way. They came up with a variety of foods such as cakes, muffins, salads and pie fillings. Apples are a very versatile fruit.

If you love apples or want an outdoor activity to do with your kids, take your family to the Apple Butter Festival on Sept. 14-15 at the Apple Country Orchards in Idalou, located at 12206 E. Highway 62. It is about a two-hour drive, but once you arrive, you will find pre-picks of apples, orchard hayrides, live music, space slide, craft booths, a petting zoo for the kids, a chance to meet Johnny Appleseed and Snow White, face painting, release of lady bugs in the orchard, green chili roasting, a rock climbing wall in the trees, barbecue lunch, fresh apple turnovers and ice cream, kettle corn and cotton candy. Sounds like a great start to fall! It is open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. both days. Cost is $3 per person and children under 5 are free. For more information call 806-781-1753 or 806-892-2961 or visit www.applecountryorchards.com.

Country Apple Coffee Cake
Submitted by Judy Daily

2 Tablespoons butter, softened, divided
1 1/2 cups cored, peeled and chopped Golden Delicious apples, divided
1 (10-ounce) can refrigerated flaky biscuits
1/3 cup brown sugar
1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
1/3 cup light corn syrup
1 egg
1/2 cup pecans, chopped

Glaze:
1/3 cup powdered sugar
1/4 teaspoon vanilla
1-2 Tablespoons milk

Heat oven to 350. Grease bottom and sides of a 9-inch cake pan with 1 tablespoon butter. Spread 1 cup apples in pan. Separate dough into 10 biscuits, cut each into 4 pieces. Arrange biscuits point side up over apples. Top with remaining apples. In a small bowl, combine 1 tablespoon butter, brown sugar, cinnamon, corn syrup, egg. Beat 2-3 minutes. Stir in pecans. Spoon over biscuits. Bake 35-45 minutes or until deep golden brown. Cool 5 minutes. For glaze, mix ingredients in a small bowl, blending until smooth. Drizzle glaze over warm cake. Store in refrigerator.

Mom's No-Fail Apple Pie Filling
Submitted by Beth Hickey

8 medium large apples (McIntosh, Rome or Granny Smith)
1/4 cup flour
3/4 cup sugar
2 Tablespoons butter
Cinnamon as desired
Pie crust for pie (double crust or one crust

Please see FOOD/2B

Obituaries

Clyde Gibson

Clyde Gibson was called home on August 30, 2013. He was born on July 29, 1939 to John D and Jessie Mae Gibson, as the 2nd of 4 children.

Services will be held at 10 am at Mt. Rose Baptist Church in Midland, Texas, 211 N. Tyler, with Rev. William Palmer officiating. Burial with Military Honors will be at Ector County Cemetery.

The family came to Odessa in 1952, joining St. John Baptist Church. Clyde later joined Mt. Rose Baptist Church in Midland.

He attended and graduated from Blackshear High School in 1958, served in the United States Army Reserves as a Medical Specialist. Clyde worked many years in the hotel business and was employed by the Doubletree Hotel in Midland, TX.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, John B Gibson.

He is survived by his son-Edward D Gibson Sr. and his wife Denna of Cypress, TX; sister - Celestine and her husband, Riley Rand of Odessa, TX; brother - Herbert Gibson of Odessa, TX; grandchildren - Edward D. Gibson Jr. and his wife Toni of McKinney, TX, Andrae Gibson Sr., and his wife Melony of McKinney, TX and Javian Gibson of Cypress, TX; seven great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews other relatives and friends.

To sign the guestbook please go our website martinezfuneralhome.com

Services are under the direction of Martinez Funeral Home.

Earl McLaughlin

Earl McLaughlin, 55, of Midland, departed this life Friday, august 30, 2013. Services will be at 10:00 am. Thursday Sept 5, 2013 At the Thomas Funeral Home Chapel.

Earl was preceded in death by his parents, Rafus McLaughlin Sr., and Willie Mae McLaughlin.

Survivors include, his brothers, Rayfus McLaughlin Jr. and (wife Ruby), Albert McLaughlin of Alajon,Ca., Joe Edward McLaughlin (wife Ernestine), and, Carl Moss of Arizona. Sisters Jane Louise Hayes of Monroe La., Doris Lowery, of Midland, Ella Moss and Evelyn Robinson of Mesa, Ca., Vicky Lynn Moss of Arizona, Darlene Sims of Las Vegas, Nevada, and Yvone Hams of Lubbock. Many Aunts, Uncles, nieces, cousins, and a host of Friends.

The family will receive friends Wednesday night 6-8 pm at the Thomas Chapel.

Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

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Death Notices

Josie Villanueva Vasquez

Josie Villanueva Vasquez, 83, of Odessa, passed away September 1, 2013.

Visitation will be 6-8 PM, Tuesday, September 3, 2013 at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Funeral services Wednesday, September 4, 2013 at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Josie is survived by her children: Lee Vasquez (Cynthia), Lisa Anchondo (Roman), Johnny Vasquez (Yolanda), Roger Vasquez (Rosie), Robert Vasquez (Mary Ann), and David Vasquez, two brothers, 18 grandchildren, 30 great grandchildren and three great great grandchildren.

To Submit Obituaries:

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G.J. McCarthy/The Dallas Morning News

The deep fried C uban roll by Isaac Rousso, winner of the Big Tex Choice Awards Best Taste dish, photographed Sept. 2 at Fair Park in Dallas.

Texas fair names winners of fried-food contest

By Jamie Stengle
Associated Press

DALLAS — A deep-fried Cuban roll filled with chopped ham, pork shoulder, cheese and pickles drew "Best Taste" honors at the State Fair of Texas' fried-food contest Monday.

Meanwhile, the three-judge panel for the Big Tex Choice Awards chose for "Most Creative" honors a Thanksgiving dinner of stuffing, turkey and cream corn rolled into a ball and deep fried.

At the Labor Day event, the judges tasted the culinary creations from eight fair food vendors before picking the winners. A committee had selected the finalists from among 54 entries.

All eight finalists' dishes will be for sale during the State Fair of Texas, which runs Sept. 27 through Oct. 20, fair spokeswoman Sue Gooding said.

As the judges tucked into the fried Thanksgiving dinner, emcee Brad Sham, the longtime Dallas Cowboys broadcaster, quipped, "By the way, there are two balls of Thanksgiving dinner — after they finish the first one they take a nap and a football game comes on."

"Best Taste" winner Isaac Rousso said he spent about two years perfecting the deep-fried Cuban roll. He said they took all the ingredients, wrapped them in a pastry shell and deep fried it.

Other entries included whipped Nutella wrapped around dough and deep fried with toppings including strawberries and bananas; a fried millionaire pie made of cream cheese filling, pineapple and pecans with toppings including whipped cream and coconut; fried spinach artichoke dip bites; chicken-fried meatloaf; a fried fireball of pimento cheese, pickles, cayenne pepper and bacon; and a deep-fried King Ranch casserole.

Cleaning up one's clutter can be profitable

TUMBLEWEED SMITH
Big Spring storyteller

I noticed our office had one too many stacks of stuff on file cabinets and tables, giving the place a cluttered look. I decided it was time to do something about it. Fortunately, our secondhand store downtown had just started accepting magazines. I took two stacks of them down. It was just the beginning of a purge of unused and unwanted items. Usually when people start a big cleaning job, they start with an area that no visitor ever sees, like a closet. I started with a desk drawer. I emptied it into a plastic storage box. I discovered I had at least two dozen pens and that many pencils. Plus candy, gum, rulers, scissors, magnifying glasses, scratch pads, business cards, paper clips, rubber bands and other stuff. I started taking things out of the storage box and putting the essential things back in the drawer. I threw away more than half the items that were in the drawer originally.

My wife was in the process of organizing some of our family photos. For some reason I went to an old file cabinet in a seldom used closet and pulled out an old briefcase. I thought I might find some old photos in it, because that's where I had put some of my parents' legal papers. I didn't find any photos, but I found a little sandwich bag that had some old coins and bills in it. I took the bag to my wife and we started looking at its contents. We were surprised to find silver dollars, half dollars, some Indian head pennies, V nickels and some coins that dated back to 1866. The more we looked, the more curious we became.

I have never collected coins, but I may start now. When I was growing up, every time we'd visit my grandparents, my grandfather would give me either a silver dollar or a 50-cent piece. Of course I don't know where those coins are today. My grandfather had a meat market and grocery store and handled a lot of coins. So did my father, who was also in the grocery business. When we got married, my dad gave us a bag of silver coins, the real stuff. Rather than put them up for safekeeping, we put them in a bowl in a living room bookcase and used the coins to buy incidentals. Not too smart.

Some of the dollar bills in the bag have an interesting history, like the 1928 funnyback dollar, the first effort by the U.S. treasury to standardize design and size of dollar bills. The treasury wanted to streamline currency for the Roaring Twenties. The 1928 series red seal dollar bill was not printed until 1933 and didn't get released for circulation until 1948. To make things even stranger, when the bills were finally released into circulation, Puerto Rico was chosen as the location of distribution. Research indicated 1.8 million of the one-year design notes were printed and the first 4,000 were snatched up by collectors, many buying packs of 100 consecutive notes. Some of those packs are occasionally still available fully intact. An uncirculated 1928 series funnyback red seal dollar bill can bring more than $1,000. It is a relic of the Jazz Age and is popular with collectors.

Interesting stuff. I may have to do some more cleaning up around the place.

Tumbleweed Smith lives in Big Spring and is a folklorist, after dinner speaker and producer of "The Sound of Texas" syndicated radio show. Contact him at tumbleweedsmith.com.

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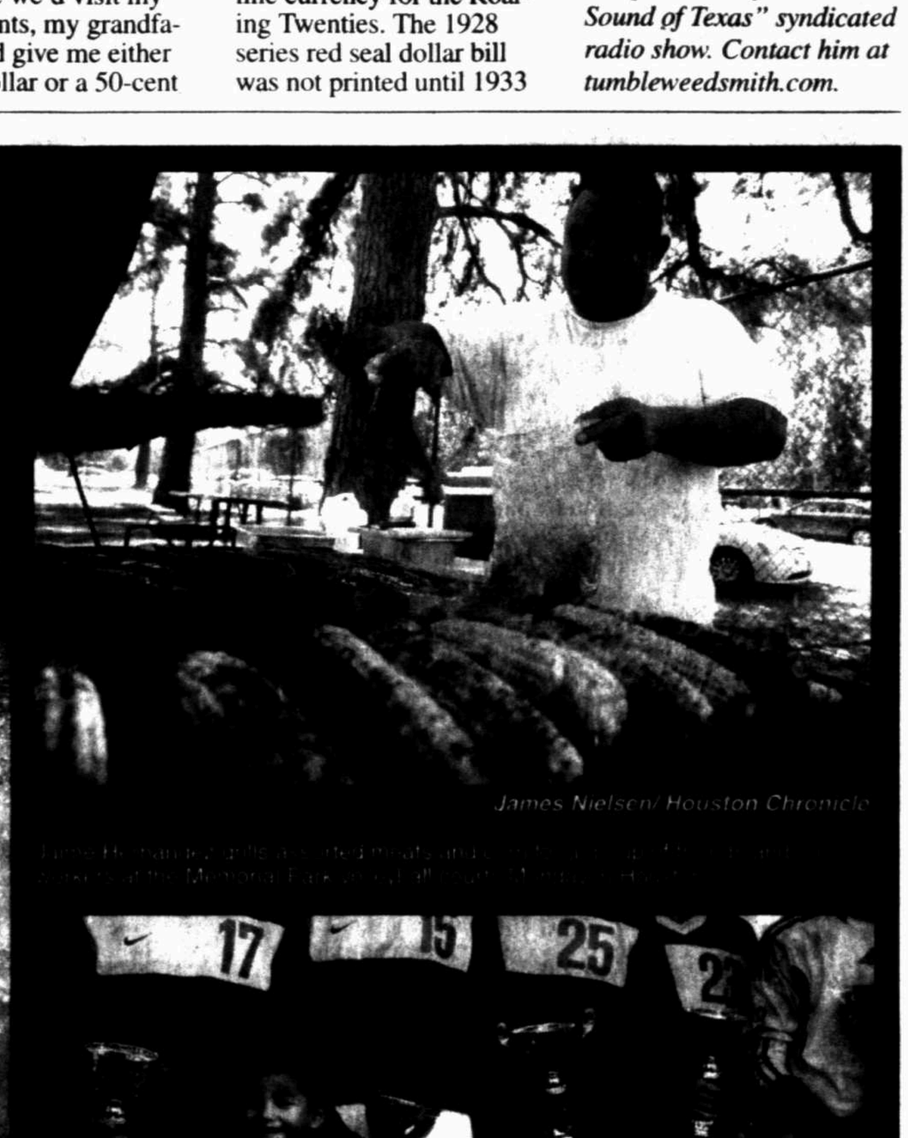

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Food

From 1B

and crumb topping)

Peel, core and slice apples into 1/4-1/2-inch slices. Mix flour and sugar together and set aside. Put 1/3 of the apples in an unbaked pie crust and top with 1/3 of the flour and sugar mixture. Sprinkle with desired amount of cinnamon. Continue layering until apples and flour and sugar mixture is used. Place pieces of butter on top before covering with a pie crust (make 3-4 slits in top crust to vent) or crumb topping. Bake at 425 degrees for 10-15 minutes and then turn oven down to 350 degrees and bake an additional 35-45 minutes. Apples are done when a knife inserted shows they are no longer firm.

Apple-Walnut Salad
Submitted by Beverly McClatchy

1/2 cup plain low-fat yogurt
2 Tablespoons light mayonnaise
1 Tablespoon lemon juice
2 teaspoons honey, optional
2 apples, cored and diced
1 cup seedless grapes, cut in half
1 large carrot, shredded
1/2 cup toasted walnut pieces

Lettuce leaves, optional

In a large bowl, whisk the yogurt, mayonnaise, lemon juice and honey until smooth. Stir in remaining ingredients until well mixed. Serve immediately on a lettuce lined platter, or cover, chill and refrigerate up to 2 days. Toss just before serving. Makes 5 cups. Per serving: 176 calories, 3g pro, 20g carb, 3g fiber, 10g fat (1g sat fat, 3mg chol, 71mg sodium)

Apple Muffins
By Joan Huff

3 1/2 cups flour
3 1/2 cups apples, diced
2 cups sugar
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon baking soda
2 teaspoons cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon allspice
1 teaspoon nutmeg
3/4 cup applesauce
1/2 cup canola oil
2 eggs
3/4 cup pecans, chopped and toasted
2 teaspoons vanilla

Preheat oven to 350. Combine flour, apples, sugar, salt, baking soda and spices. Stir in applesauce, oil, eggs, pecans and vanilla. It will be very thick dough. Fill muffin cups to top. Bake for 30-35 minutes. Cool for 5-10 minutes before removing from pan. Serve warm.

Spiced Apples
Submitted by Judy Daily

1/2 cup butter or margarine
8 large Granny Smith apples, peeled, cored and sliced
1 1/2 cups sugar (can adjust the amount)
1 1/2 teaspoons cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg

Melt butter in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add apples and remaining ingredients. Sauté 15-20 minutes or until apples are tender. Serves 8.

Apple Cranberry Salad
Submitted by Beverly McClatchy

1/4 cup mayonnaise
1/4 cup sour cream
1 Tablespoon sugar
3 apples (preferably 2 red and 1 green), chopped
1/2 cup chopped walnuts
1/4 cup dried cranberries
1 stalk celery, thinly sliced
6 leaf lettuce leaves (preferably Boston lettuce)

Mix mayonnaise, sour cream and sugar in a medium bowl. Stir in remaining ingredients except lettuce. Refrigerate 2 hours. Serve over lettuce.

Taffy Apple Salad
Submitted by Judy Daily

1 (20-ounce) can crushed pineapple, drained (save juice)
2 cups miniature marshmallows
1/2 cup sugar
1 Tablespoon flour
1 egg, beaten
1 Tablespoon white vinegar
1 (12-ounce) container whipped topping
2 cups diced apples, unpeeled
1 1/2 cups cocktail peanuts or pecans

Mix pineapple and marshmallows. Refrigerate overnight. combine pineapple juice, flour, sugar, vinegar, egg. Cook over medium heat until thick, stirring constantly. Refrigerate overnight. Next day, mix whipped topping with both of the above mixtures. Stir in apples and nuts. Chill until ready to serve.

Dinner

From 1B

The money raised will support The Salvation Army's local programs, including the homeless shelter, meals, energy assistance and clothing and furniture vouchers for people in need. The shelter serves around 3,000 meals every month, said Barbara Mamoulides, chairman of the local advisory board for the Midland chapter.

Hall's book appeared on The New York Times Best Sellers list and will be released as a movie within the next year. His children's book, "Everybody Can Help Somebody," which teaches children about helping those in need, will be released Sept. 10.

Hall's wife Deborah died in 2000. After her death, Moore moved in with Hall and lived there for the next nine and a half years. Moore died in 2012.

"After we became friends ... He would stay up all night praying and talking to God," Hall said. "He would knock on our door the next morning and bring us messages that he heard from God. This poor, illiterate man was the one God chose to be the most encouragement to us.

"In the end, you find out even though he's different, he said that we were the 'same kind of different as him.' We all had the same feelings; we all were much more alike than we actually thought."

WESTTEXASBRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Yoga class held at Grafa park

Each Saturday Vertex Complete offers Yoga in Grafa Park 9 a.m. Saturday. Cost is $10. The class meets on the north side of Ma Mar Court. Participants should bring a mat or blanket.

Upcoming races/runs

■ H2Oh! Family Fun Run hosted by Lemi Shine, Saturday @ Scharbauer Sports Complex. Registration at 8:30 a.m. Benefits Living Water International. Register at runthirsty.com.

■ Noggin Roundup 5K, Saturday @ Midland College. Race starts at 9 a.m. Benefits Plagiocephaly Awareness and Support.

■ Lone Star Sanctuary for Animals' Runnin' Fur Rescues Run/Walk 5K, Sept. 14 @ Midland College. Registration at 8 a.m., run/walk at 9 a.m.

Kids calendar

■ Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 2617 W. Loop 250 N., offers storytime 10:30 a.m. Wednesday for preschoolers and 10:30 a.m. Saturday. For more information, call 682-8880.

■ Midland County Public Library will offer storytime Monday at the Centennial branch, room 113, at 9:30 a.m. for newborn through 2-year-olds and 10:30 a.m. for children ages 2 through 6. Storytime at the downtown branch will is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Sept. 10.

■ Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane, offers parent's night out 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursdays, Little Chef Basics class 5:30-7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and storytime for children ages 3 to 5 from 10:30 a.m. to noon Tuesdays and Fridays. For more information, call 685-7376.

■ The Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave., will host Kinderfest on Saturday and Sunday as part of its annual Septemberfest. Children's activities include a petting zoo, pony rides, rock climbing, jumpers and crafts. Admission also includes entrance to the Marian Blakemore Planetarium and the Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum. Admission is $5 for ages 12 and older, $3 for ages 3 to 11 and free for ages 2 and younger.

■ Permian Basin Fair and Expo kicks off Thursday at the Ector County Coliseum. Children's entertainment includes carnvival rides, a petting zoo, Kachunga and the Alligator Show, Extreme Raptors Show, All Things Wild - White Tiger Exhibit, Cool Dogs Thrill Show and Ham Bone Express 3. For more infomation, go to www.permianbasinfair.com.

To include information in this calendar, email Megan Buck at mbuck@mrt.com.

LEGGETT

From 1B

To deal with that, people would eat that extra limit in camp or give some birds to a friend or — and this happened more than we want to admit — they'd just take their chances and drive home with more than the two-day possession limit of birds. After all, it was legal to kill them, just not to possess them.

The rule didn't change the number of birds that were being killed, just the number of hunters who could comply with the strict language of the law. Now that won't be an issue.

Now, all that said, hunters still must pay close attention to the rules so they don't violate some other part of the possession limit regulations.

There are more than 500 game wardens in Texas, and many of them will be paying close attention to hunters as the season gets underway. It's possible to hunt all year without seeing a warden. Texas is big, and wardens have many responsibilities.

But if and when you are approached by a warden it's best to be prepared.

One thing I do to avoid potential problems with a warden is immediately clean and wash my doves when I finish a hunt. You can do that in the field.

I carry plastic bags in the truck, and I use a permanent marker to write down the day and month those birds were taken, and the total number of doves taken on that hunt.

I even write down the number of mourning doves and whitewings, even though that's no longer required. Just one precaution that makes sense, and it's easy to do.

Eurasian collared doves bring an interesting twist to hunt logistics. There's no limit on collared doves, so you can kill a pot full even while you're hunting regulated birds.

To keep from having to explain why you have more than 15 birds in one bag, I recommend you put collared doves, which are noticeably larger than either mourning doves or whitewings, in a separate bag.

Nothing in the rules says you have to do that, but it just helps eliminate any questions a warden might have and that's going to make your life easier in the long run.

One final thought. Follow the gun and hunting safety rules. All of them. This is the most dangerous of hunting seasons in terms of accidents in the field.

Davis Mountains State Park closed for renovations

From staff reports

FORT DAVIS — Davis Mountains State Park in far West Texas shut its gates in late August and will remain closed through March 1, 2014. Texas Parks and Wildlife staff are working on renovations and upgrades to the park's utility system. Renovations also include the addition of six miles of new trail system in the Limpia Canyon primitive area. Work will be completed on the bird viewing area.

The park's closure will include campgrounds, trails, Interpretive Center and other amenities will be closed to visitors.

Indian Lodge and Black Bear Restaurant will remain open. The Indian Lodge office is open 24 hours a day and the Black Bear Restaurant is open 7 a.m.-8 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday and remains open until 9 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

For reservations at Indian Lodge, call 512-389-8900.

Río Grande Valley farmers lose crops

Associated Press

HARLINGEN — The worst growing season in the drought-plagued Río Grande Valley since 2006 is ending, marking yet another tough harvest for South Texas farmers, including some who lost up to 88 percent of their crop last year.

The Natural Resources Defense Council ranked Texas No. 10 in the country for drought losses, the McAllen Monitor reported Sunday.

"It's really bad," said Luis Ribera, an agricultural economist at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Weslaco.

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MSNBC		47	51		49	73	Hardball		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow	
NBCSN		38	39				Fight	CFL Football	Montreal Alouettes vs. Toronto Argonauts (L)					Auctions America		Auctions	EPL Soccer	
NICK		55	34	39	34	37	Drake	Sponge	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Nanny	Nanny	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE		30	22	55	53	58	Ink Master		Ink Master		Ink Master		Ink Master		Tattoo	Tattoo	Ink Master	
SYFY		66	64	41	57	67	Face Off		Face Off		Face Off (N)		Heroes Cosplay (N)		Face Off		Heroes of Cosplay	
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TVLAND		49	48	35	54	35	MASH	M*A*S*H	MASH	MASH	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
USA		26	30	42	27	49	Law & Order: S.V.U. "Resilience"		Law & Order: S.V.U. "Transitions"		Covert A. "I've Been Waiting for You" (N)		Suits "Endgame" (N)		Graceland "King's Castle"	(:05) Covert A. "I've Been Waiting for You"		
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CABLE

Once-notorious casino now teaches the Bible

By Joy Tipping
The Dallas Morning News

ARLINGTON — Tucked behind gorgeous stone-and-iron gates on a nondescript stretch of Division Street (Texas 180) in Arlington sits the landscaped, peaceful campus of Arlington Baptist College. Bibles? Yes. Booze? No. Preachers? Certainly. Prostitution? Heaven forbid!

You'd never know it from the façade, but the liquor and licentiousness once flowed freely on these grounds, in the 1930s and '40s, when it was known as Top O' Hill Terrace and was one of the most notorious gambling dens and brothels in the area. Vickie Bryant, wife of a former college president, is happy to tell you all about it, in her fascinating information sessions and tours.

It wasn't always so. When the property was first bought by Bible Baptist Seminary of Fort Worth and for years after, the powers that be stayed hush-hush on the property's tarnished past.

"They didn't think it was quite appropriate," Bryant tells The Dallas Morning News with a chuckle. But when she arrived in 1993 with her husband, David — who has since resumed pastoring — and started putting together a history of the college, she spotted a loophole: If they could show how J. Frank Norris, longtime pastor at First Baptist Church in Fort Worth and a co-founder of the seminary-college, had taken sin and turned it into salvation, why not tell the story?

Turns out Norris had railed against Top O' Hill in his sermons, and Bryant has recordings of them.

Norris even vowed that the Baptist seminary would own the property one day, taking it back from the devil and his underlings. That promise was fulfilled, and a bronze statue of Norris now gazes out over the grounds. The property, incidentally, is so named because of its spectacular views as one of the highest points in Tarrant County; it began its existence as an innocent tearoom along what was then known as the Bankhead Highway.

Top O' Hill began its seedy downfall when it was purchased by Fred Browning, who turned it into a casino and added escape tunnels, secret rooms for hiding paraphernalia and gamblers during raids, and cozy dens where ladies of the evening could ply their trade. Those rooms, by the way, later served for a time as the women's dormitory. Louise Oldham, wife of Earl K. Oldham, who was president of the seminary at the time of the property's purchase, actually found a black velvet cape there that she kept and wore to church. "We figure it's been sanctified by now," Bryant said.

On the tour, depending on time of day, visitors may get to see the main escape tunnel, a 50-foot-long route leading off from what is now the cafeteria kitchen, as well as a recently discovered underground room. "We think there are two or three more (tunnels) under here," Bryant said, but of course it costs a lot to excavate, so those secrets may remain buried.

The cross-country Bankhead Highway (from Washington, D.C., to San Diego, Calif.) was named for Alabama senator John Hollis Bankhead, whose niece was sultry actress Tallulah.

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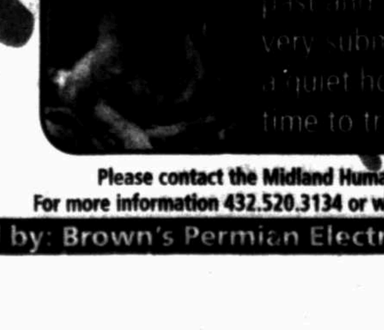

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Antique wares sold from long-closed Cisco drugstore

By Ronald W. Erdrich
Abilene Reporter-News

CISCO — When the price of coffee at Dean Rexall Drug doubled, it hit like a bolt from the blue. Literally.

D.D. Lowe has a chunk of masonry mounted on a board with an inscribed plaque attached. It reads, "This is the brick that was knocked from the top corner of the Dean Drug Building by lightning when the price of a cup of coffee went from 5 cents to 10 cents in January 1974."

The plaque goes on to note that when a cup of Joe later doubled again, to 20 cents, everyone held their breath hoping nothing worse was coming. It just goes to show, you don't mess with somebody before they get their coffee, especially the Almighty.

If you strain, this weekend you might have seen the spot where the brick was blasted away. Although the store closed in 1999, you would have been able to see decades' worth of patent medicines, old cameras and an X-ray machine straight out of Dr. Frankenstein's lab.

After nearly a century in business, the store locally known as Dean Drug has been selling it all at the store on the corner of West Seventh Street and Conrad Hilton Boulevard in Cisco.

The store began in 1909 when Lowe's great-grandfather, Thomas J. Dean, bought out Floyd Jones' partner, changing the name of the store to Dean and Jones Drug. A few years later, Dean became sole owner after Jones opened a new store in Moran.

The three-story building featured the drugstore on the bottom floor, with dentist and doctor offices above it. After seeing their patients, the doctors would call down their prescriptions to the pharmacist through a brass tube.

Dean and his wife, who had the misfortune to be named Ralph, welcomed Ernest Lennon into the family when he married their daughter Elizabeth in 1930. He joined the store as a full-time employee and part-owner and eventually the couple had a daughter, as well. Betty Dean Lennon was Lowe's mother.

Lloyd McGrew was introduced to Betty by her then-boyfriend at what was then called Ranger Junior College. Eventually, they both matriculated to the University of Texas' College of Pharmacy and married. In 1971, they took over the store.

McGrew ran Dean Drug until the family closed it. He died last year; his wife died in 2008.

Joe Pete Forcher is handling the estate sale — it's taken him and his partners two months to catalog, clean and arrange the items. Through it all, it's been apparent to him just how much of an influence the drugstore had on the community during the 20th century.

"Evidently, the McGrews were really good to the people in this town," Forcher told the Abilene Reporter-News. "We've had people come in here saying, 'Oh I worked here in the summer of 1956, we all loved them and we want to buy something from here so we can remember them.'"

That respect shown to her parents is what convinced Lowe to be a pharmacist and carry on the family tradition.

"At first, I decided I wouldn't because everybody kept asking, 'Are you going to be the fourth generation?' I didn't want to be told what I was going to do," she recalled. "But I had worked there since I was about 9 or 10 and liked how the people who came in respected my family and respected their opinions about things."

Lowe graduated in 1988 from the same pharmacy school her parents did and now works at a drugstore in Kennedale. After she entered the field, it opened up new world of conversation between her and her parents.

Unfortunately, not so much for her sister Mary, who went on to become an image consultant.

"Both of my parents and I would talk about all kinds of disease states and how to treat them," she said, laughing. "My sister would look at us and say, 'Really? We are trying to eat, there's food on the table!'"

By the time her father was pharmacist, the floors above the store were mostly used for storage. Her grandfather used to buy the inventories of old drugstores in the 1940s, acquiring medicines for perhaps a quarter of what they would cost otherwise.

"Back in the '40s, they didn't put expiration dates on medicine," she said. "That's probably how we got so much. We have some things that are older than what we believe the drugstore would have been, prior to 1900."

It was like a museum upstairs. But among the relics, one proved to be a little unnerving as she got older — a quart-size bottle of liquid labeled "Heroin."

"Heroin became illegal in 1924, so it was there prior to that," Lowe said. "I guess they gave you three years to use it up. And when they didn't use it up, they just forgot about it."

It sat forgotten in the back of the store's 4,000-pound safe, until one day she noticed it and realized that something would need to be done about it someday. But unfortunately, her father accidentally jammed the safe shut in 1984 while trying to close it.

"It wasn't a matter of finding a locksmith to get it opened, it was a matter of getting it unjammed," she recalled. "Well, then we got it unjammed, but in beating on it to get it unjammed, the combination was reactivated."

Once it was opened, she probably could have destroyed the drug herself but figured it was better to call the experts.

"I thought I better do the legal route, so I called the DEA, who called the Cisco police, and then we arranged to have it destroyed," she said.

But that's not the only thing to raise eyebrows in the store. Among the hundreds of containers for "man or beast" sit at least 12 bottles of Dead-Line, guaranteed to protect men and women from "the horrors" of gleet caused by gonorrhea.

"They might have had some astringent ability to them, like alcohol, but they didn't have antibiotics until really the '40s, before they came out with penicillin," Lowe said. "So ... yeah."

Didn't they ever think to have a garage sale at one time? Apparently not.

"My dad always said, 'You girls get to handle this one when I'm gone,'" Lowe said with a laugh. "Dadgum if he wasn't right."

Ronald W. Erdrich/Abile Reporter-News

Bottles of medicine sit on a shelf at Dean Rexall Drug store in Cisco on Aug. 20. Although the store closed in 1999, an estate sale during the last weekend of August allowed the public to see decades worth of patent medicines, old cameras and an X-ray machine.

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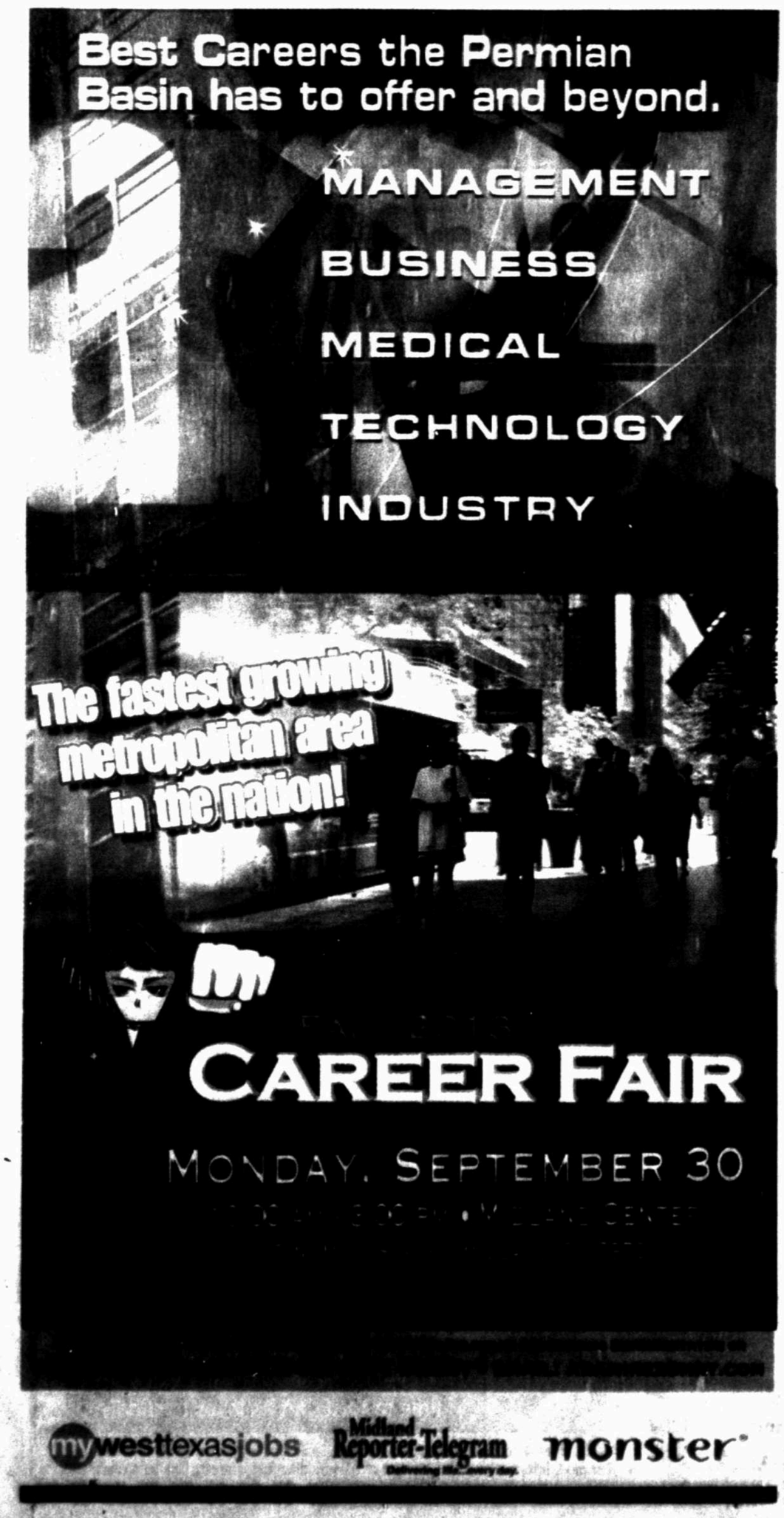

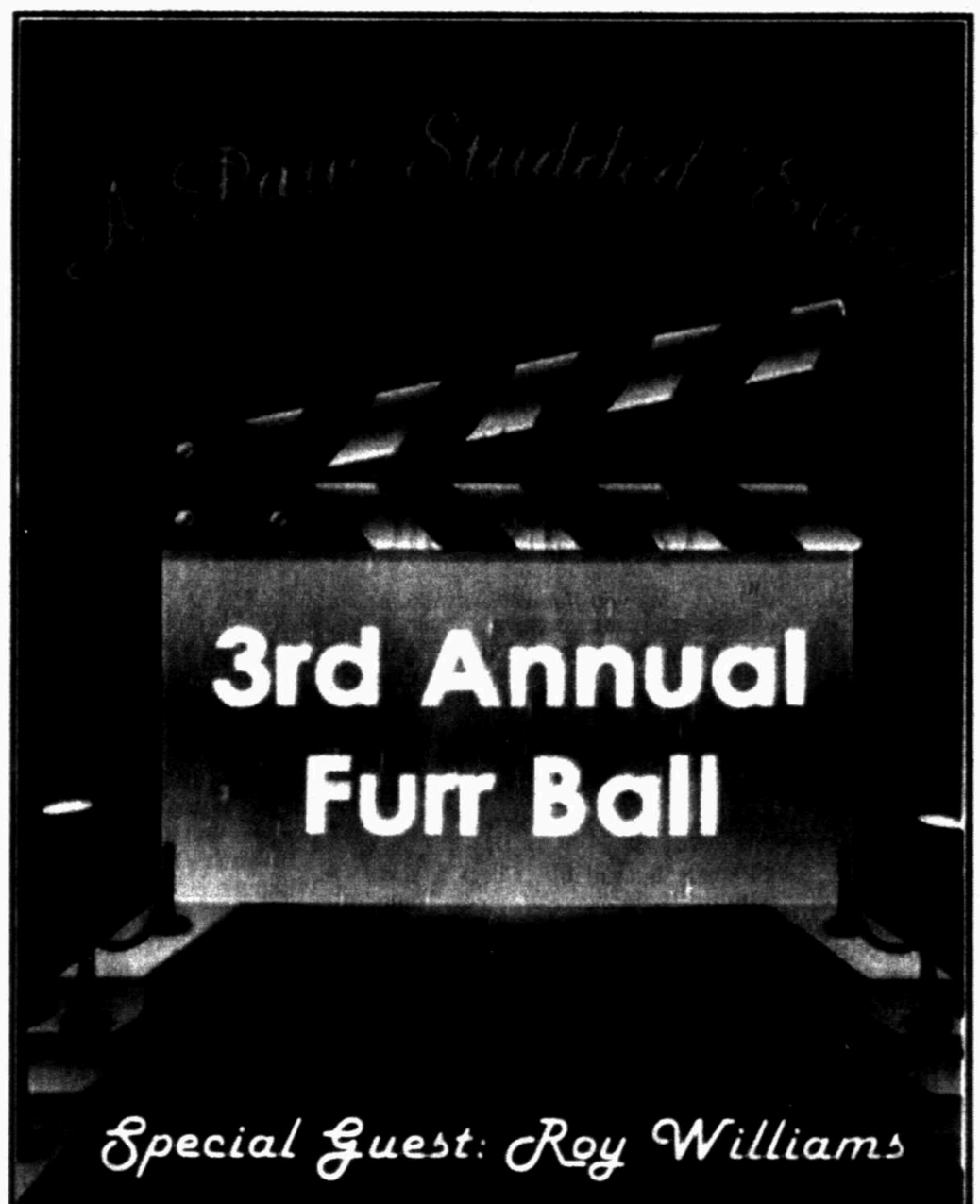

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WEDNESDAY: Sunny High: 97 Low: 71

THURSDAY: Mostly sunny High: 94 Low: 70

Local forecast

Expect sunny skies today with a high around 97, a low around 72 and mostly clear conditions.

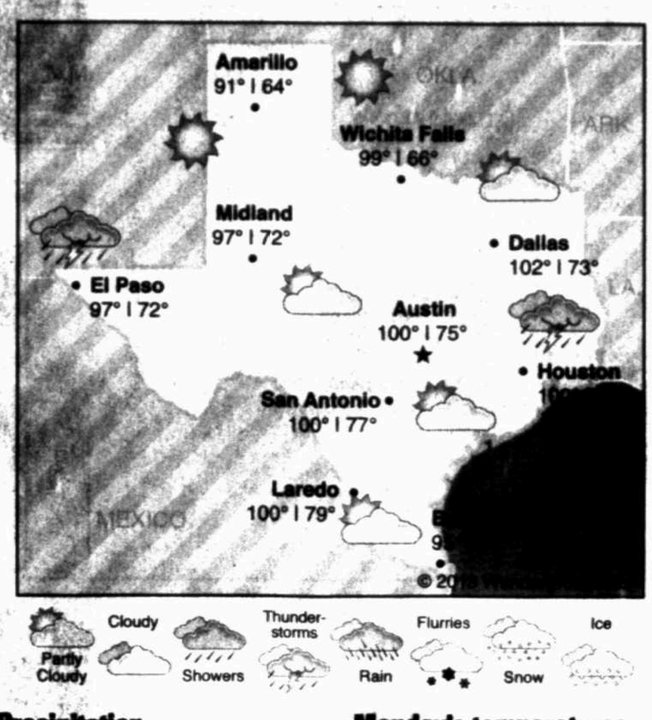
Wednesday and Thursday, expect highs in the mid-90s and lows in the lower 70s. There is no rain in the seven-day forecast.

The high on Monday reached 96, while the low dropped to 76. The record high for Sept. 2 is 103 set in 1937. The record low is 56 set in 1950 and 1968.

Weather why

Q: How often does lightning hit airplanes?

A: Often, said Brent McRoberts, of Texas A&M University. "The best government estimates are that lightning strikes commercial airplanes several times a year," McRoberts said. "Most pilots are told to avoid thunderstorms but lightning still hits planes often. In the early 1980s, NASA equipped a jet and intentionally flew it into more than 1,000 thunderstorms over a period of several months. It was hit at least 700 times by lightning. A few years ago, the plane carrying the president of France was hit by lightning, and the same thing occurred to former British Prime Minister Tony Blair's plane.



Precipitation

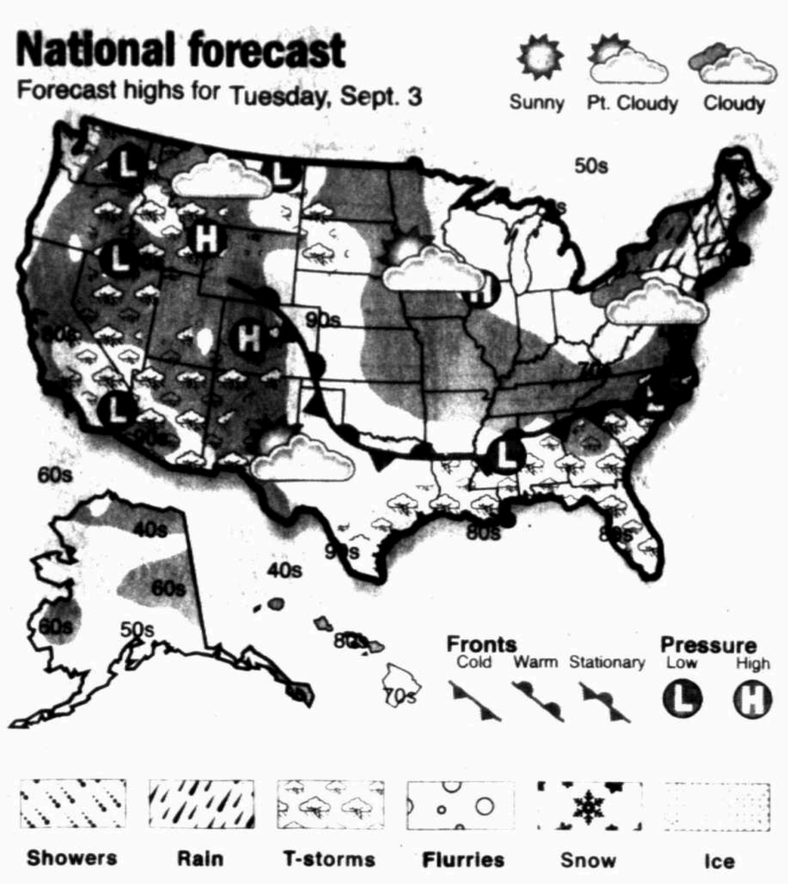
Sunday	0.00 in.
Monday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.00 in.
Year total	4.57 in.
Normal total (year to date)	9.84 in.

Monday's temperatures

High	96
Low	76
Normal high	91
Normal low	66
Sunrise	7:25 a.m.
Sunset	8:10 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Tuesday, Sept. 3



Opportunities for kindness are waiting all around

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: Congratulations to "Trying to Be Nice" (June 6) for her random acts of kindness. The world needs more of it. Let me point out, however, that being nice isn't just about doing specific charitable tasks. It is something that applies every moment of every day, and as the axiom says, "Charity begins at home."

It can mean paying a compliment to a family member or friend, refraining from a hurtful comment at work or in school, smiling to a stranger on the street, willingly doing a chore at home (even if it's "not my job"), or something as simple as cleaning up one's own mess after lunch. To quote another axiom: Little things mean a lot. — RHEAL IN OTTAWA, CANADA

DEAR RHEAL: I agree. Sometimes they can be the simplest things, opportunities we take for granted that are right in front of us. I was touched by the responses I received from readers suggesting other acts of kindness:

DEAR ABBY: Animal shelters often need volunteers to walk dogs. Rescue organizations could use foster families for pets, or even pet food donations or supplies. Veterans organizations such as the Wounded Warrior Project welcome volunteers to help with events, or mentor or assist vets in writing a resume.

If you sign up with Volunteers of America, they can match you with organizations that suit your skills — reading to the elderly in nursing homes, etc. Youth shelters can sometimes use volunteers to help teens learn basic life skills such as balancing a checkbook, smart grocery shopping or meal planning.

Around the holidays, my husband and I visit the cemetery and clean/maintain headstones that look neglected, especially those of veterans. — LYNN IN BOTHELL, WASH.

DEAR ABBY: As an avid teenage volunteer, I have some suggestions! Donating your hair to Locks of Love is one of my favorite acts of kindness. Your hair will help make wigs for women with cancer. Donating blood is another great way to help strangers.

If you prefer to give your time instead, nursing homes are always looking for people to play bingo with patients. Shelters for women and children need volunteers to come and play with the children, so the moms have time to talk with counselors. — SARA IN SUGAR LAND

DEAR ABBY: "Trying" could join a neighborhood watch or help with Meals on Wheels, take the newspaper to an elderly person's front porch, or start a recycling program in her neighborhood. — LUCY IN ST. LOUIS

DEAR ABBY: I decided, after a self-imposed seclusion (my daughter passed away at a young age), to go back out in the world and spread the joy of flowers. I contacted a local supermarket and asked them to save me their wilting flowers that would have been thrown out. I took the best, arranged them in vases, and distributed them to local nursing homes, memory-care facilities and hospice. In this way I have brightened people's last days on Earth with something that would have otherwise been discarded.

My "mission" has expanded now and includes another store and a shelter for abused women and children. — KATHY IN NAPLES, FLA.

DEAR ABBY: Volunteer to drive people to vote on Election Day. And the easiest — call the aging members of your family regularly and let them talk your ear off! — MARY IN EAST HARTFORD, CONN.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

An extra chance

Both vulnerable. North deals.

NORTH
♠ 7 3
♡ K
♢ A K 7 5 4 2
♣ 9 4 3 2

WEST
♠ K 10 8
♡ Q J 9 8 4
♢ 10
♣ J 8 7 5

EAST
♠ J 9 6
♡ 10 6 3 2
♢ J 9 8 3
♣ Q 10

SOUTH
♠ A Q 5 4 2
♡ A 7 5
♢ Q 6
♣ A K 6

The bidding:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
Pass	Pass	1♠	Pass
2	Pass	3NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: Queen of

Pessimism pays! No matter how simple a contract seems, imagine the worst that can happen and see if there is a way to counter it.

Three no-trump was the universal contract on this deal from a multiple team event. A heart was led at every table, and at several the contract was defeated one trick.

The heart lead removed the only side entry to dummy's diamonds. That did not seem to faze many declarers, who blithely led a diamond to the queen and continued the suit. West's club discard brought them up short. After clearing the high diamonds, West discarding another club on the last of these when South also parted with a club. Declarer tried the spade finesse, but justice was served when West produced the king. The ace of hearts was forced out and declarer had to settle for eight tricks.

The less sanguine South's were not prepared to rely on either the diamond break or the spade finesse. It was not too difficult to find an additional line that could be tested before either of the other two. At trick two a low club was led from the table and, when East produced the 10, declarer won with the king, cashed the ace, dropping the queen, and continued with a third club. That guaranteed another club trick since the nine becomes established on this lie of the cards. In all, declarer scored one spade, two hearts, and three in each minor — just enough!

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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, Sept. 3, 2013:

This year you might internalize more, yet you will be less critical. Others easily pick up on your compassion, which is clear and expressive. Be careful about how you handle your internalized feelings; they need to be released in some form for your own sake. If you are single, you will attract several people. The person who comes forward might be emotionally unavailable. Check him or her out carefully. If you are attached, schedule several weekends away as a couple and see what that does for your relationship. Have more old-fashioned dates together. LEO understands you very well and tends to look at you in a positive light.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You will find that a sense of calmness takes over. Getting a project off the ground will be a snap compared to your other recent efforts. Others might be more willing to express their feelings. Don't forget to buy a card for a loved one! Tonight: Don't feel restricted by the day.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ Pressure has been high, and it will continue to be so. Someone's efforts might touch you so deeply that you will want to express your appreciation. Choose an action rather than a thank-you card to get your message across. Touch base with a family member. Tonight: Relax.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ You tend to be very playful in general, and today it might be difficult to contain yourself. Use some of your spontaneity and creativity in a brainstorming session. A loved one will let you know how much he or she appreciates your efforts. Tonight: So what if it is Tuesday night?

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ Curb a tendency to be possessive. It seems as if you will do everything you can in order to draw someone toward you. In a sense, that person might feel manipulated by you. Recognize that you can't control anyone. Perhaps the best bet is to let go. Tonight: Happiest at home.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ You might want to try a new approach or do something differently. You might be able to make a difference, as you feel much better about yourself than you have in a while. Lighten up. A gesture will mean a lot, both to the receiver and to the giver. Tonight: All smiles.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★ You might want to pull back and take a closer look at what is going on with your feelings and with someone else's response. You could discover that a situation is far more intense than you originally might have thought. Take on the role of the observer. Tonight: Kick back.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ You can't help but smile as you observe friends and loved ones, and see how committed and concerned they are about someone's problem. You recognize and appreciate that quality in others. Make an effort to let them know how you feel. Tonight: Make it your treat.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ You know what you want, and you know what you need. At this point, you might be holding a lot back. Someone's cold response could justify your reservations. Keep in mind that you were the one who initiated the interaction. Tonight: In the limelight. Others will follow!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ Reach out for more information. If need be, find an expert to clear up some confusion that surrounds a professional matter. Remember that this person's opinion is just that — an opinion. It would be wise to get feedback from others, too. Tonight: Hang with your friends.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ You make a good impression, no matter where you are. Others admire your dignity and strong sense of direction. A partner might share much more than he or she normally does. Encourage this type of vulnerability, and listen to what he or she says. Tonight: Dinner out.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ You might want to listen to the feedback you'll be getting from loved ones. You could be more involved than you realize. Others demand center stage. While your opinions are valued, it might not be to the extent that you would like. Tonight: Go along with someone's plans.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ Continue the intense schedule you have created for yourself, and complete as much as you can — you will be a lot happier as a result. Weigh the pros and cons of a situation. A partner or an associate might try to distract you. Give in. Tonight: Stay calm.

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BORN TODAY

Actor Charlie Sheen (1965), automotive engineer Ferdinand Porsche (1875), guitarist Steve Jones (1955)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Take off politely, as one's hat
5 Small silvery fish
10 Ogden's state
14 "The African Queen" co-screenwriter
15 Apple drink
16 Golfer Ballesteros
17 1976 debut single for Heart
19 Yoked bovines
20 The Beatles' "And I Love __"
21 Metal-yielding rocks
22 Practices in a ring
23 21-Across tester
25 Chasing
27 Stable warmer
31 Hiding places in walls
34 Wild pig
35 "We __ the Champions"
36 Jack of old Westerns
37 Nationality of the two leaders suggested by the starts of 17-, 27-, 43- and 57-Across
39 Not left out of
40 Pallid
41 Latvian capital
42 Move with ease
43 Biding one's time
47 Like pretentious gallery-goers
48 Crime against one's country
52 Follow
54 Carson's predecessor
55 Mary's little lamb, perhaps
56 Cabernet containers
57 Informal name for the double bass
60 Correct copy
61 Native Alaskan
62 Got long in the tooth
63 A bit blue
64 Garb at the Forum
65 Raises, say

DOWN

1 Russian cottage
2 Hideous giants
3 Shaking causes
4 Brimless cap
5 Cricket official
6 Ones who dig 21-Across
7 Outshine fruit bars brand
8 Regulus's constellation
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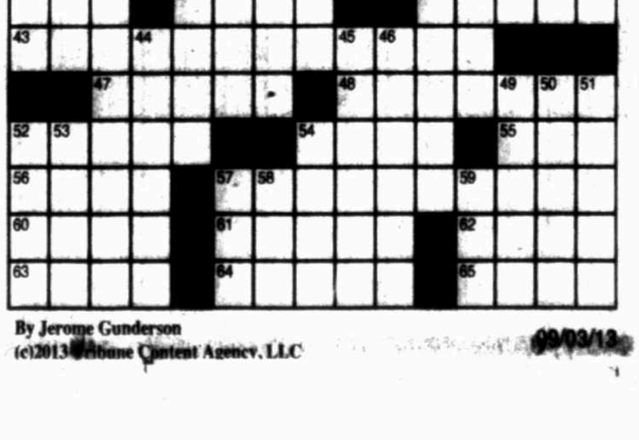

By Jerome Gunderson
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OFF THE GRID

Scenes from the weekend's high school football games

Members of the Lee High student section enjoy the game against El Paso Coronado on Friday at Grande Communications Stadium.

The Midland High marching band plays during the game against El Paso Americas on Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium.

Band members congregate in the stands at the Greenwood vs. Karnit game Thursday at Grande Communications Stadium.

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NEIL SPERRY

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New tree with brown leaves likely dead

Dear Neil: Is a new tree dead when its leaves are all brown and the trunk wood is still green?

Answer: Probably so, especially at this time of the growing season. The green chlorophyll that is within the wood of the trunk is the last tissue to turn brown. You can also tell by bending the small twigs. If they're green and supple, there still is hope. If they're brown and crisp, it's time to replant. Try a different species on the chance that it was a soil-borne disease.

Dear Neil: I'm fairly new to Texas, and I've just discovered how intense the Texas summer sun can be. What are some really good plants that will grow well in my landscape? They will get six or more hours of direct sunlight each day. I want to have a sustainable landscape.

Answer: If you drive around any city in Texas, even in the most challenging of regions, you'll find there are many plants that can handle the Texas weather. However, the specific plants will vary from one part of the state to another. What thrives in a dry area may rot in wet soils, and of course, not all plants share the same winter hardiness rankings. Some of the best groups of plants for large parts of the state include hollies that are adapted to your needs, nandinas, junipers, crape myrtles, abelias, oaks, pecans, cedar elms, Chinese pistachios, Madame Galen trumpetcreeper, purple wintercreeper euonymus and, in most of Texas, Asian jasmine. If it's an extremely dry area that you're landscaping, add in red yucca, agarita, Texas sage and Texas mountain laurel. There are hundreds of other options. Work with your local Texas Master Certified Nursery Professional.

Dear Neil: After visiting several public gardens in South Texas, I'm wondering if I dare plant philodendrons in the ground like they have done. They were about 4 feet tall and wide.

Answer: There are a good many Philodendron selloum plants actually growing in the ground in protected locations in San Antonio, Houston and along the Gulf Coast. That one species of splitleaf shrub-like philodendron will withstand a very few degrees of sub-freezing weather for short periods of time, especially if it's in a protected location. Even in those areas, however, there are ample examples of the plants being lost in extreme winters. To be absolutely sure, you might want to leave the plants in large plastic pots that you sink flush with the soil surface. That would allow you to lift them up as cold approached and get them into protection. I now use a smaller, more compact variety called Xanadu in that way. It's just easier to handle, especially as it gets years of growing under its belt.

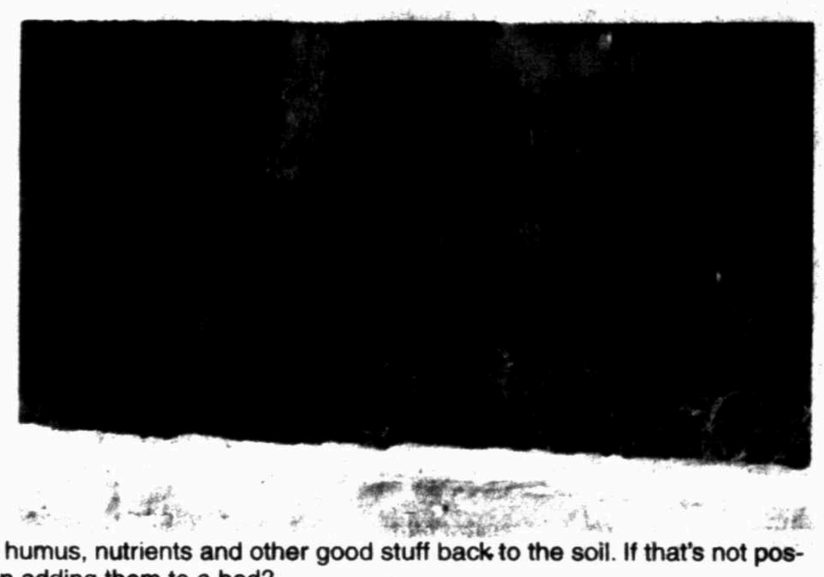
Dear Neil: We moved into a new home this spring. Crape myrtles had been planted a couple of weeks earlier. They have not bloomed all summer. Could winter planting be the reason? Could there be something wrong with them?

Answer: Many young shrubs, trees and vines are reluctant to bloom their first year or two in a new landscape. In some cases they produce their floral buds on new growth. That's true with spring-flowering woody plants such as azaleas, dogwoods and wisteria. However, crape myrtles bloom on their current season's growth so it may be that your plants didn't get off to a good start. They require full sunlight, and they do best where they receive ongoing moisture and a fairly constant supply of a quality, slow-release form of nitrogen lawn food. They should have added many inches, perhaps even feet, of new growth this season. If they did not, their failure to bloom would probably be from a lack of vigor. Meet their basic needs and next year should be better.

Dear Neil: Can I use condensate from my air conditioner to water plants around my patio? It amounts to several gallons per day.

Answer: In theory, condensate water should be fine for your plants, but, from a gardener's perspective, you might not want to use it on your most valuable plantings, especially those confined to containers. If there were any oily residues or other extraneous materials in it, you could do damage to expensive plants. It would be better to use it on larger, more durable plants such as shrubs and trees where adverse impacts would be more widely distributed.

RE-LEAF BY DEBBIE FROST



Who doesn't want low-maintenance landscapes? But even simple landscapes are composed largely of living entities that attract other living creatures. Plants grow, bloom, reproduce and shed. Even if the landscape is composed of concrete, plastic and rock it still requires maintenance. Which would you rather live with — something that attracts butterflies, birds and kids or dust?

Leaves create a terrible issue for some homeowners. Capturing and bagging them seem to be elusive and frustrating activities. Raking or blowing them out of ground cover, beds or rock mulch seems to be especially annoying. How about letting them do what they were designed to do? Fallen leaves provide a layer of mulch that will slowly decompose and add humus, nutrients and other good stuff back to the soil. If that's not possible, how about composting them and then adding them to a bed?

If leaves, seeds, catkins and other leaf litter are bugging you, how about choosing a tree species that has small leaves? Trees with small leaves have several advantages such as, less perceived mess because leaves drop and disappear, leaves that decompose faster and don't shade out grass and other plants growing under the tree canopy.

Fall is a great time to plant new trees,and here are a few good trees that have smaller leaves:

- Lacebark elm (Ulmus parvifolia)
- Cedar elm (Ulmus crassifolia)
- Mesquite (Prosopis glandulosa)
- Chinese pistache (Pistacia chinensis)
- Desert willow (Chilopsis linearis)
- Texas persimmon (Diospyros texana)
- Texas mountain laurel (Sophora secundiflora)
- Yaupon holly (Illex vomitoria
- Possumhaw holly (Illex decidua)
- Vitex (Vitex agnus-castus)

All trees produce some litter, but some shed more. This doesn't rule out their usefulness.

Find re-leaf by planning before planting. Avoid planting problematic litter trees near the porch, patio, driveway or courtyard.

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Whiteflies can do serious damage to plants unless caught early

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Whiteflies are small garden pests that extract juices from tomatoes, peppers, squash and many other plants. Adult whiteflies have yellow bodies with a white waxy coat over their two sets of wings. Nymphal (young) forms do not have wings. Whiteflies can surge to destructive numbers in hot weather if few natural enemies are available to keep them in check.

Each female whitefly may lay up to 500 eggs in her lifetime. The yellowish oval-shaped eggs, laid in a circular pattern on the sheltered undersides of leaves, may hatch in about a week. Each egg is attached by a single tiny stalk.

Nymphs may be less than two-tenths of an inch long, but they are the most plant-damaging forms in the pest's life cycle. Once nymphs hatch, they will move a short distance and insert their sucking mouth parts into the phloem (nutrient rich vascular tissue) of the plant. There the crawlers lose their legs and remain feeding through several nymphal stages. As they feed, nymphs secrete a tacky fluid that often makes leaves appear shiny. Unless one is carefully monitoring the garden, whiteflies may not be noticed until large numbers of adults are seen buzzing around plants. Too frequently, control measures are not taken until populations reach damaging levels. Heavy infestations of whiteflies may cause plants to turn yellow and wilt, often creating an appearance of water stress.

Overuse of any pesticide may cause whiteflies to build up a resistance and become unaffected by the chemical. When applied improperly populations may swell since many pesticides labeled for whitefly management will also destroy their natural predators. Commercially produced pesticides should only be used as a last resort.

How are whiteflies controlled? I recommend an integrated approach using the least aggressive methods first. Begin by monitoring your plants regularly. When eggs or nymphs are first spotted on the undersides of leaves, attempt to blast them off with a garden hose. If only a few leaves are heavily infested, they can be pruned off. Whiteflies may also feed on weeds so keep your garden tidy.

Traps can be set in the garden to lure pests away from plants. These traps may be purchased at local nurseries or through Internet garden supply warehouses. Make an effort to support local garden centers first.

Insecticidal soaps may provide some control but will need to be repeated often. While homemade soap solutions may be effective, insecticidal soaps specifically labeled for pest control have been carefully tested to provide the greatest effect on the pest with the least amount of injury to beneficial insects and plant tissues. On some occasions, it may be wise to remove a heavily infested plant from the garden.

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A two-part compost class is planned for 6:30-8:30 p.m. today at the Midland County Extension office, 2445 E. Highway 80 and 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday at the Time Machine, 816 W. 42nd St. in Odessa. Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and the Permian Master Gardeners will host the free classes that are sponsored by the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission, Keep Midland Beautiful, Keep Odessa Beautiful, the cities of Midland and Odessa and Midland and Ector counties.

Participants will receive free instruction on composting, one free composting bin per family and, if desired, some composting worms to take home.

Texas A&M AgriLife and the Permian Basin Master Gardeners will be hosting the annual Earth-Kind Home Landscape School at 6:30 p.m. Sept. 16,17, 25, 26 at the Commemorative Air Force Museum Classroom at 9600 Wright Drive. The fee is $150 for the course that covers basic landscape design principles. Registrants will receive one-on-one consultation with a landscape designer.

RockHounds end season with win over RoughRiders

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The confines of Citibank Ballpark weren't always comfortable for the Midland RockHounds in 2013, but on Monday, Midland closed out its season in style, rallying for a 5-3 win at home against the Frisco RoughRiders.

"It makes it easier to go home," Midland outfielder Conner Crumbliss said after his team snapped a two-game skid against the RoughRiders.

Midland ended the season with a losing record at home but evened its home and away record (31-39) after beginning the season with a better record on the road.

Frisco got on the board first Monday in the top of the third thanks to a two-out, two-run single by Chih-Hsien Chiang.

Yet after losing by 10 runs Sunday, Midland didn't flinch when it found itself behind early again.

"This is still our career, and we take it very seriously when we're up there in the box," RockHounds outfielder Whitaker said, "so, there's not letting it off or taking it easy when we're down or up."

Midland responded emphatically in the bottom of the inning, starting with a one-out solo home run to left that Vinne Catricala launched right into the wind blowing in off Frisco starter Jerad Eickhoff.

Eickhoff promptly walked the next two batters, and two batters later, Jefry Marte made him pay with a two-run single to left for a 3-2 lead.

Frisco, however, came right back to tie the game at 3 in the next inning on an RBI groundout by Luis Sardinas that was nearly a double play. But first baseman Max Muncy threw high to home after retiring Sardinas at first unassisted, allowing Teodoro Martinez to barely beat out the throw and score.

The teams remained deadlocked at 3 for an inning before Midland came alive again in the sixth.

The RockHounds again made Frisco pay for its miscues as RoughRiders reliever Alex Claudio sandwiched a flyout between two walks to start the inning.

The next batter, Beau Taylor, engaged Claudio in a seven-pitch at-bat that ended with Claudio striking out Taylor, but Whitaker and Catricala were safe at third and second on a double steal. Compounding the issue, Frisco catcher Tomas Telis was charged with an error as his throw to third got away from Ryan Rua, allowing Whitaker to score the go-ahead run.

For Whitaker, whose first steal of the season came earlier in the

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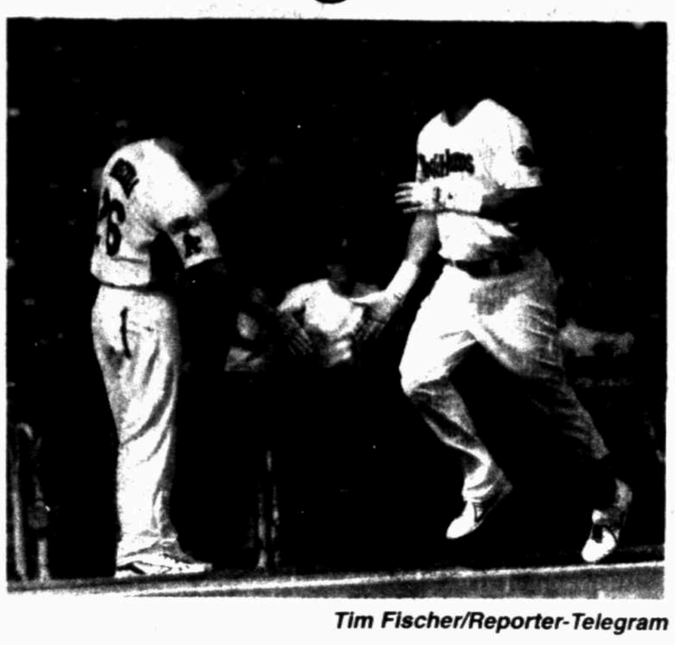

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Midland manager Aaron Nieckula, left, congratulates Vinnie Catricala as he rounds third on a home run Monday afternoon at Citibank Ballpark.

SMALL/PRIVATE SCHOOL REPORT

Top tackler

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

The Midland Christian defense swarms to stop Monahans' Nicko Jasso (44) on Friday during the Mustangs' season opener at Mustanf Field.

Baquirin leads MCS defensive line vs. Monahans

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It's a good day for a defense when the leading tackler is on the defensive line.

That's what happened Friday night for the Midland Christian defense as senior defensive lineman Erwin Baquirin lead the team with 13 total tackles against Monahans.

Baquirin is listed at 5-foot, 7-inches, 165 pounds and he along with players such as Brandon Glossop, Johnny Wilson and Reid Talley constantly found ways into the Loboes backfield to disrupt their Wing-T offense.

"Our linebackers had a hard time getting any tackles because (Baquirin) was getting them," Midland Christian coach Greg McClendon said.

In Midland Christian's defensive statistical system, Baquirin not only had 10 solo tackles and three assisted tackles, but he also scored 59 points. The system accounts not only for tackles but for categories such as quarterback hurries, fumbles caused, and other defensive stats not seen in a stat sheet.

That was the highest on the team from Friday, but McClendon was quick to point out it was a team effort.

Baquirin

The Mustangs defense held Monahans to 204 total yards, and 111 of that came on the ground. The Loboes had trouble sustaining drives much of the night, and much of that was due to the Mustangs' front seven.

McClendon said those quick possessions were key for the offense to maintain its rhythm and produce the type of numbers that it did.

"We didn't really get short fields and we put some long drives together, and if our offense has to sit on the sideline for very long it gets really impatient," McClendon said. "It's a hungry offense and the way our defense is playing right now is huge."

TRINITY GETS BACK TO WORK

Trinity returned to work on Monday after a tough season opener against Loraine on Saturday night, and coach Antwan Alexander said it was a learning experience for both he and the team.

Now Trinity has a game under its belt, and will refocus on this week's matchup with area six-man power Rankin.

"Not having a scrimmage, and this was our first game, and after watching film, the kids were able to see what we've been talking about and asking them to do all along," Alexander said. "The more we get into it, the easier the reads will be for them to make."

Alexander said they will continue to run out of the spread primarily, and also work on alignment this week in practice.

"Really a lot of times misalignment hurt us," Alexander said. "We need to get everybody to know what each other is supposed to do. If one person is misaligned he needs to tell them to scoot over or what not."

QUICK HITS

■ McClendon said that senior T.D. Reeger-North will be out for at least another three weeks after suffering a fracture in a non-weight bearing bone in his leg in a scrimmage against Wall.

■ Mason McClendon's seven touchdown passes on Friday night put him at 65 for his career at MCS, and he is now four behind Jamie Beeghley for first in that category. McClendon is also less than 1,000 yards behind Beeghley for career passing yards. After Friday, McClendon has 5,549 for his career, and Beeghley has 6,361.

■ Alexander said that Trinity

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MRT AREA PLAYER OF THE WEEK

McClendon carves up Monahans defense

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Going into Friday's game against Monahans, the plan for Midland Christian quarterback Mason McClendon and his teammates was to take what the Loboes gave them. From McClendon's vantage point, he liked what they were giving his team.

McClendon and the Mustangs carved up the Loboes' defense by completing 22 of 27 passes for 327 yards and seven touchdowns in a dominating 47-7 victory over the Loboes. The completions and touchdown passes were single-game school records.

McClendon

Thanks to that impressive performance, McClendon is the Reporter-Telegram's Area Player of the Week.

"Going into the game, we didn't execute very well against Wall (in a scrimmage) so we were a little hungry to get back on the field," McClendon said. "I think that the game plan was to take what they give us. If they give us the pass, then we'll throw it. If they give us the run, we'll run it. I think the offensive line and the receivers executed very well."

McClendon said his team got into an offensive rhythm early and it showed as the senior completed the first 13 passes he attempted.

"We came out and we saw they were going to basically man us up on the outside," McClendon said. "I think we have advantages out there. We just took what they gave us and the receivers made the plays. I don't know if it really surprised us. I think we all knew we were capable of doing that. We just had to go out there and work as a team. We're such a confident bunch that anytime we go to work, we attack it and work extremely hard."

Receivers Elias Aguirre, McClane Mannix and Jerrod Koym all had good nights for the Mustangs as well. Aguirre caught eight passes for 134 yards and two touchdowns, Mannix had six receptions for 60 yards and three TDs and Koym added four catches for 84 yards and a TD.

Mustangs coach Greg McClendon said his quarterback son was consistent on Friday night and added that he

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Midland-owned horse wins All-American Derby

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Gary McKinney had an idea that if Feature Hero could find away to break clean of the gate and get out front he had a chance to win the All-American Derby at Ruidoso Downs (N.M.) on Saturday.

Feature Hero did exactly that, and in the process gave McKinney, his son Micah, and their Reliance Ranch stables the biggest victory of their career owning race horses. Feature Hero, a 24-1 longshot, outran the race's fastest qualifier Bon Accord for the upset victory. The All-American Derby is for 3-year old quarter horses.

"This horse is tough, and he got away clean, got out in front of them and they couldn't catch him. It was just his day," said McKinney, a native of Corpus Christi who has lived in Midland since 1977. "You know it's unbelievable. We felt like he had a chance, but there were some really good horses in the Derby."

It was also a big payday for the owners as they won more than $1.18 million of the more than $2.8 million purse. The purse was the richest in the history of quarter horse racing. Not a bad investment for a horse that the family bought for $40,000 at the Ruidoso Select sale in September of 2011.

"I've never seen this much money anywhere, anytime," said McKinney, who is a petroleum engineer and owns Reliance Energy in Midland.

But earning that money almost didn't happen. Feature Hero was the final horse to qualify for the 10-horse field.

"It's about 100 horses running for 10 spots in the Derby this year," McKinney said. "He squeaked in."

The victory was also the first

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Courtesy Photo

Feature Hero, 7, rode by jockey Jimmy Brooks crosses the finish line at the All-American Derby at Ruidoso Downs in Ruidoso, N.M. The horse is owned by owned by Midlander Gary McKinney.

RockHounds

From 1C

frame, it was a memorable sequence in his final game of the season.

"I was actually happy to see (manager Aaron Nieckula) give me the steal sign," Whitaker said. "So, to sneak out two in the last game was pretty sweet, especially that (last) one being the go-ahead run."

"The big man (Whitaker) played for me over in Burlington in 2011 and won the batting title," Nieckula said of the 6-foot-3, 225-pound Whitaker, "and the big man can run a little bit; (we can) utilize some of that speed that he has in certain situations and get him a few bags.

"So, he got himself a (stolen base) and he got himself a run scored out of it."

Crumbliss then drove in Catricala on the next at-bat with a two-out RBI single to left for a 5-3 lead.

"It took a lot of pressure off because we got the run in so we were already ahead, so it makes it a little bit more easier to hit because you've got the lead," Crumbliss said.

The RockHounds' bullpen took it from there, shutting out Frisco to preserve the win for starter Drew Granier (3-6), who allowed three runs on eight hits while striking out three and walking two.

Reliever Jesus Castillo picked up his first save of the season as Midland closed out what Whitaker called a "long season" on a positive note.

And for Nieckula, who said the players have done everything he and his coaching staff have asked of them, it was a well-deserved finish to the season.

"They've put in a great effort," Nieckula said, "so to win the last game of the season is nice — it's a good feeling."

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Midland's starting pitcher Drew Granier delivers a pitch Monday afternoon at Citibank Ballpark.

'HOUND BITES: With his walk in the bottom of the third, Conner Crumbliss finished the season having reached base in 47 of his last 51 games. Crumbliss was 1 for 2 in the game with an RBI single in the sixth and two walks. ... Jefry Marte reached for the 19th straight game Monday and finished his season having hit in 17 of 19 ballgames. Marte was 1 for 4 Monday with two RBI. ... The 2013 attendance at Citibank Ballpark was 319,233, which is an all-time franchise record.

ROCKHOUNDS 5, ROUGHRIDERS 3

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Odor 2b	5	1	2	0	Myers cf	4	1	0	0
Nicholas 1b	3	0	1	0	Marte 3b	4	0	1	2
Sams DH	3	0	0	0	Ladendorf ss	3	0	2	0
Chang rf	4	0	1	2	Muncy 1b	4	0	0	0
Rua 3b	4	0	0	0	Whitaker rf	3	1	1	0
Martinez lf	4	1	1	0	Oberacker lf	4	0	0	0
Telis	4	0	3	0	Catricala dh	3	2	2	1
Strausborger	3	0	0	0	Taylor c	2	1	0	0
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Texas League

Second half
North Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
yz-Arkansas	40	30	.571	—
NW Arkansas	34	36	.486	6
x-Tulsa	34	36	.486	6
Springfield	31	39	.443	9

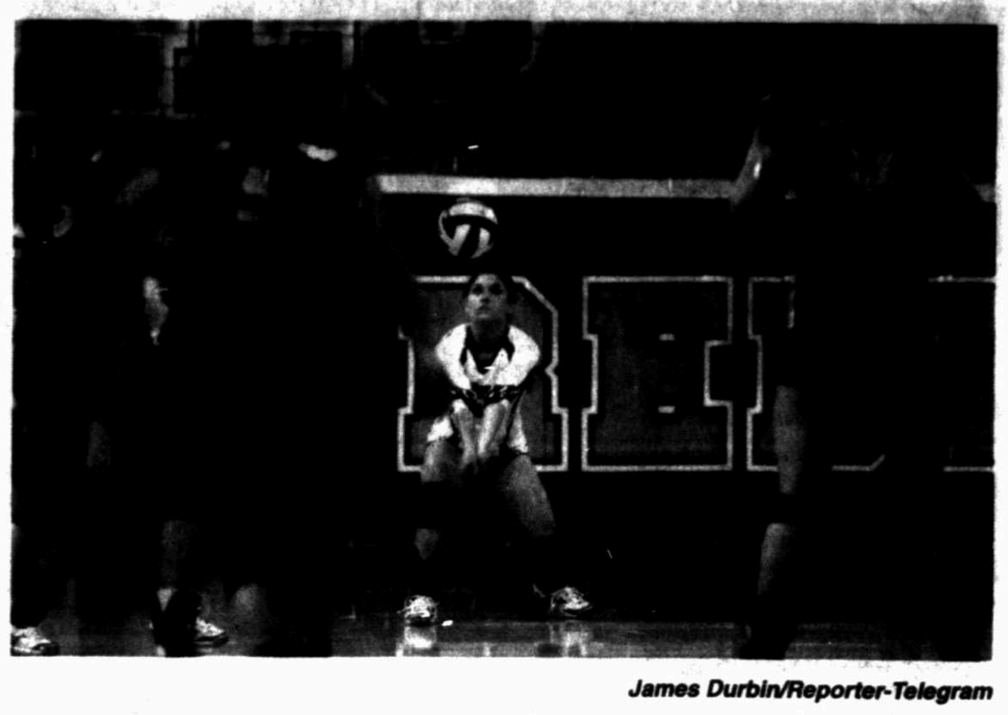
South Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
xy-Corpus Christi	41	29	.586	—
z-San Antonio	40	30	.571	1
Frisco	31	39	.443	10
Midland	29	41	.414	12

x-clinched first half
y-clinched division (refers to second half)
z-clinched playoff spot

Monday's Scores

Tulsa 8, Springfield 4
Arkansas 5, Northwest Arkansas 0
Midland 5, Frisco 3
Corpus Christi 7, San Antonio 6
End of regular season



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Lee's Justus Tarin, center, gets ready to bump the ball during an Aug. 27 game against Abilene High at Lee High School.

HSVOLLEYBALLCAPSULES

BY LEN HAYWARD

TODAY'S MISD MATCHES
ODESSA PERMIAN AT LEE

When/where: 6 p.m. today, Lee HS gymnasium

Records: Lee 13-9, 1-0 in District 2-5A; Odessa Permian 15-7, 0-0

Last district match: Lee def. Abilene High, 25-17, 20-25, 25-16, 25-15 on Aug. 27; Odessa Permian has not played a district match

The scoop: The Lady Rebels return to district play after an up and down weekend at the Frenship Tournament. Lee finished in fourth in the silver bracket at the tournament, notching a victory against Lubbock High on Saturday. ... The Lady Panthers finished 2-2 at the Texas Showdown in Spring Branch last weekend. ... Tonight's match is the district opener for Permian.

Next: Lee at San Angelo Central, 5 p.m. Friday; Lubbock Coronado at Odessa Permian, 5 p.m. Friday

District 2-5A volleyball

Team	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
Midland High	1	0	19	7
Lubbock Coronado	1	0	16	9
Lee	1	0	13	9
Amarillo Tascosa	1	0	11	13
Odessa Permian	0	0	15	7
Abilene High	0	1	16	6
San Angelo Central	0	1	17	7
Abilene Cooper	0	1	10	15
Odessa High	0	1	2	9

Tuesday, Aug. 27
Midland High def. Abilene Cooper, 24-26, 25-20, 25-16, 25-22; Lee def. Abilene High, 25-17, 20-25, 25-16, 25-15; Lubbock Coronado def. Odessa High, 25-5, 25-10, 25-6

Today's Matches
Midland High at Odessa High, 6 p.m.; Odessa Permian at Lee, 6 p.m.; San Angelo Central at Abilene Cooper, 6 p.m.; Lubbock Coronado at Amarillo Tascosa, 7 p.m.

MIDLAND HIGH AT ODESSA HIGH

When/where: 6 p.m. today, OHS Fieldhouse, Odessa

Records: Midland High 19-7, 1-0 in District 2-5A; Odessa High 2-9, 0-1

Last district match: Midland High def. Abilene Cooper, 24-26, 25-20, 25-16, 25-22 on Aug. 27; Lubbock Coronado def. Odessa High, 25-5, 25-10, 25-6

The scoop: Midland High won the consolation match of the Gold bracket in its first trip to the Margaret Hussman Tournament in El Paso last weekend. The Lady Bulldogs beat El Paso Eastwood in five sets to win that match. ... Jenna Gillean was named to the all-tournament team, while Channing Burleson had 69 kills in two days of matches. ... Midland High beat Odessa High twice in 2012. ... Odessa High has been idle since last Tuesday's 2-5A loss to Lubbock Coroando.

Next: Abilene High at Midland High, 5 p.m. Friday; Odessa High at Amarillo Tascosa, 5 p.m. Friday

Derby

From 1C

Grade 1 race victory for the horse's trainer Eddie Willis at Ruidoso Downs.

Feature Hero earned an invitation to the Champion of Champions event with the victory. The event is scheduled for Dec. 14 at the Los Alamitos Race Course in Los Alamitos, Calif.

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Texas loses opener to A's as AL West is tied up

By Janie McCauley
Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Lance Berkman has returned to the Texas Rangers for a stretch run he knows will be wild. Consider the pesky opponent: Defending division champion Oakland.

Coco Crisp hit a tie-breaking two-run homer in the fifth inning that was confirmed by a video review, and Texas fell into a first-place tie atop the AL West with 4-2 loss to the Athletics on Monday.

"I don't think either of us is going to run away with it over the last 25 games," Berkman said. "It's going to go down to the wire."

Athletics	4
Rangers	2

Berkman started at DH and went 0 for 4 one day after Texas activated him from the disabled list. He had been out since July 7 with left hip inflammation and a sore surgically repaired right knee.

Unlike early September last year, the Rangers and A's are neck and neck.

Yoenis Cespedes homered leading off the second inning and Chris Young added an RBI single in Oakland's fourth straight win. David Murphy hit a tying two-run shot in the Texas fifth for his first homer since Aug. 1. But the Rangers loaded the bases against Dan Otero with one out in the sixth and couldn't deliver.

They missed chances in the seventh, eighth and ninth, too.

"We gave ourselves opportunities and we didn't take advantage of them at all. It's a game of opportunities and we need to take advantage of ours. One hit at the right time today would have made a difference," manager Ron Washington said. "We're not going anywhere. We're right here in Oakland and we'll show up and play."

Crisp set a career high with his 17th homer that stayed just fair of the left-field foul pole, topping his 16 for Cleveland in 2005. He homered for the third straight game to help the A's (79-58) move a season-best 21 games over .500.

Rejuvenated Donovan readies for qualifiers

Associated Press

MIAMI — Landon Donovan is rested and ready for the United States' return to World Cup qualifying.

The USA's career leading goal scorer didn't play in the first six matches of the CONCACAF final qualifying phase, taking time off from soccer to clear his head. When he returned to the US team, he looked as good as he ever has.

"I feel like a youngster," Donovan said before a team practice Monday morning at FIU Stadium. "Mentally, I can do things I couldn't do in the past."

The 31-year-old Donovan scored five tournament goals and created others to help lead the United States to the Gold Cup title after coach Jurgen Klinsmann recalled Donovan in July.

"It's great to see Landon back in this group," Klinsmann said. "That gives us as coaches another option and a very good option."

Friday's game at National Stadium in San Jose will be the second of the teams' home-and-home qualifying set. Clint Dempsey's goal gave the United States a 1-0 win in the first game played under an intense snow storm March 22 in Commerce City, Colo.

"I want to be a part of the team going forward," Donovan said. "I want to be part of the team that has a chance to qualify for the World Cup and eventually play in a World Cup and this is the next step for me. I am very excited to be here and I want to try to contribute."

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Costa Rica appealed for a replay of that game, but was denied. Now the United States has to go into a hostile environment with a 12-game winning streak on the line.

"In my opinion, playing in Costa Rica specifically at Saprissa, it's the hardest place to play in CONCACAF," Donovan said. "We get a little bit of a break in that we're playing in the national stadium. It looks like the weather will be very bearable. Those factors come into play when you play there."

MLBROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

TWINS 10
ASTROS 6

HOUSTON — Rookie Chris Colabello homered twice for Minnesota, including a tiebreaking grand slam in the ninth inning.

It was 6-all before Chia-Jen Lo (0-3) allowed a single to Brian Dozier with one out in the ninth. Doug Bernier and Chris Herrmann drew two-out walks on full-count pitches before Colabello hit the next pitch into the bullpen in right-center.

TIGERS 3
RED SOX 0

BOSTON — Doug Fister rebounded from a miserable start with seven sharp innings, helping Detroit beat Boston in a matchup of teams with the ALs best records.

The Tigers won despite missing Miguel Cabrera for the third straight game. He has been sidelined by a strained abdomen, though general manager Dave Dombrowski said the Triple Crown winner has been more hampered by a groin problem.

ORIOLES 7
INDIANS 2

CLEVELAND — Bud Norris stayed unbeaten as a starter with Baltimore and Nate McLouth homered and had three RBI.

Norris (10-10) allowed one run — a homer to Jason Kipnis — and four hits in seven innings. The right-hander improved to 4-0 as a starter with the Orioles, who acquired him at the July 31 trading deadline from Houston. He lost once in relief.

YANKEES 9
WHITE SOX 1

NEW YORK — Derek Jeter ended a slump with two hits and two RBI, Alex Rodriguez reached base twice in an eight-run fourth inning and the Yankees beat the White Sox in a game interrupted for nearly two hours by rain.

A day after giving up seven runs in the seventh inning in a loss to wild card-rival Baltimore, the Yankees rocked reliever Dylan Axelrod and took advantage of the sloppy White Sox for their most productive inning since Oct. 1.

ROYALS 3
MARINERS 1

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Will Smith had a career-high eight strikeouts in a dominant relief performance, helping Kansas City get the win.

Smith (2-1) allowed one hit in 4 1-3 innings. He finished with the most strikeouts by a Royals reliever since Tom Gordon struck out eight over 4 2-3 innings against Detroit on July 9, 1993.

National League

DODGERS 10
ROCKIES 8

DENVER — Clayton Kershaw surrendered a career-high 11 hits in five shaky innings and got the win and Yasiel Puig scored the go-ahead run before leaving with a strained right knee as the surging Los Angeles Dodgers beat the Colorado Rockies 10-8 on Monday.

Puig was called out for interference on the bases in the first inning. He then hurt his knee on an awkward slide into third base and gingerly jogged home on Hanley Ramirez's sacrifice fly in the sixth, before being replaced in right field.

PIRATES 5
BREWERS 2

MILWAUKEE — Neil Walker hit a three-run homer, Charlie Morton pitched seven strong innings and the Pittsburgh Pirates beat Milwaukee to retake the NL Central lead.

The Pirates moved one game ahead of St. Louis, Pittsburgh won the opener of a nine-game road trip.

REDS 7
CARDINALS 2

CINCINNATI — Shin-Soo Choo and Joey Votto homered as Cincinnati roughed up Adam Wainwright for the second start in a row, leading Mat Latos and the Reds over the St. Louis Cardinals in the opener of a four-game series between the NL Central rivals.

Latos (14-5) gave up four hits in his first complete game of the year.

PHILLIES 3
NATIONALS 2

PHILADELPHIA — Carlos Ruiz hit a tiebreaking RBI single in Philadelphia's two-run eighth inning, helping the Phillies get the victory.

Cesar Hernandez started the winning rally with a two-out walk against Tyler Clippard (6-3). He came around to score on Jimmy Rollins' double. After Chase Utley was walked intentionally, Ruiz drove in Rollins with a single to left.

BRAVES 13
METS 5

ATLANTA — Freddie Freeman homered, doubled and tied a career high with five RBIs, powering the Atlanta Braves past the New York Mets.

PADRES 4
GIANTS 1

SAN DIEGO — Ian Kennedy beat an NL West opponent for the first time in 12 starts this season, pitching the San Diego Padres past the San Francisco Giants.

MARLINS 4
CUBS 3

CHICAGO — Henderson Alvarez hit his first career home run and pitched six innings before exiting with a hamstring injury, and the Miami Marlins beat the Chicago Cubs.

Interleague

BLUE JAYS 4
DIAMONDBACKS 1

PHOENIX — Esmil Rogers pitched 6 1/3 innings of one-hit ball and Edwin Encarnacion hit his 35th home run to lead the Toronto Blue Jays over Arizona.

US women's soccer team preps for Mexico friendly

By Kevin Dunleavy
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — With the inaugural season of the new women's soccer league complete, the U.S. national team is back together.

The Americans face Mexico today in a friendly at RFK Stadium.

Coach Tom Sermanni's 18-player roster includes three players who could make their national team debuts. Defender Leigh Ann Robinson and midfielder Erika Tymrak were called up from FC Kansas City, and University of Illinois midfielder Vanessa DiBernardo was chosen as a replacement for Megan Rapinoe, who has a sore heel.

Sermanni said his aim is to give all three some playing time.

Forward Alex Morgan might have to sit this one out. She's been bothered by a sore knee, although she did play as a substitute in the National Women's Soccer League title game Saturday.

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College Football

The AP Top 25 Fared

No. 1 Alabama (1-0) beat Virginia Tech 35-10. Next: at No. 7 Texas A&M, Sept. 14.

No. 2 Ohio St. (1-0) beat Buffalo 40-20. Next: vs. San Diego State, Saturday.

No. 3 Oregon (1-0) beat Nicholls State 66-3. Next: at Virginia, Saturday.

No. 4 Stanford (0-0) did not play. Next: vs. San Jose State, Saturday.

No. 5 Georgia (0-1) lost to No. 8 Clemson 38-35. Next: vs. No. 6 South Carolina, Saturday.

No. 6 South Carolina (1-0) beat North Carolina 27-10, Thursday. Next: at No. 5 Georgia, Saturday.

No. 7 Texas A&M (1-0) beat Rice 52-31. Next: vs. Sam Houston State, Saturday.

No. 8 Clemson (1-0) beat No. 5 Georgia 38-35. Next: vs. South Carolina State, Saturday.

No. 9 Louisville (1-0) beat Ohio 49-7, Sunday. Next: vs. Eastern Kentucky, Saturday.

No. 10 Florida (1-0) beat Toledo 24-6. Next: at Miami, Saturday.

No. 11 Florida State (1-0) def. Pittsburgh 41-13, Monday. Next: vs. Nevada, Sept. 14.

No. 12 LSU (1-0) beat No. 20 TCU 37-27. Next: vs. UAB, Saturday.

No. 13 Oklahoma St. (1-0) beat Mississippi State 21-3. Next: at UTSA, Saturday.

No. 14 Notre Dame (1-0) beat Temple 28-6. Next: at No. 17 Michigan, Saturday.

No. 15 Texas (1-0) beat New Mexico State 56-7. Next: at BYU, Saturday.

No. 16 Oklahoma (1-0) beat Louisiana-Monroe 34-0. Next: vs. West Virginia, Saturday.

No. 17 Michigan (1-0) beat Central Michigan 59-9. Next: vs. No. 14 Notre Dame, Saturday.

No. 18 Nebraska (1-0) beat Wyoming 37-34. Next: vs. Southern Miss., Saturday.

No. 19 Boise State (0-1) lost to Washington 38-6. Next: vs. UT-Martin, Saturday.

No. 20 TCU (0-1) lost to No. 12 LSU 37-27. Next: vs. SE Louisiana, Saturday.

No. 21 UCLA (1-0) beat Nevada 58-20. Next: at No. 18 Nebraska, Saturday, Sept. 14.

No. 22 Northwestern (1-0) beat California 44-30. Next: vs. Syracuse, Saturday.

No. 23 Wisconsin (1-0) beat UMass 45-0. Next: vs. Tennessee Tech, Saturday.

No. 24 Southern Cal (1-0) beat Hawaii 30-13, Thursday. Next: vs. Washington State, Saturday.

No. 25 Oregon State (0-1) lost to Eastern Washington 49-46. Next: vs. Hawaii, Saturday.

FCS Coaches Poll

SPARTANBURG, S.C. — The top 25 teams in the Coaches Football Championship Subdivision poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Sept. 1 and previous ranking:

Rank Team	Record	Pts	Pv
1. North Dakota St. (26)	1-0	650	1
2. Eastern Washington	1-0	616	3
3. Montana St.	1-0	587	2
4. Sam Houston St.	**1-0**	**570**	**4**
5. Central Arkansas	1-0	508	6
6. Towson	1-0	490	12
7. South Dakota St.	1-0	486	7
8. New Hampshire	0-0	430	8
9. Northern Iowa	1-0	424	16
10. Cal Poly	1-0	376	11
11. Villanova	0-1	360	9
12. Richmond	1-0	311	14
13. Stony Brook	0-0	298	13
14. Wofford	0-1	279	5
15. James Madison	1-0	270	15
16. Eastern Illinois	1-0	256	23
17. Illinois St.	0-1	255	10
18. Montana	1-0	239	22
19. Lehigh	0-0	203	17
20. McNeese St.	1-0	186	NR
21. Eastern Kentucky	1-0	144	19
22. Coastal Carolina	1-0	117	21
23. Bethune-Cookman	1-0	98	20
24. Northern Arizona	0-1	76	18
25. Youngstown St.	1-0	73	24

TSN FCS Poll

PHILADELPHIA — The top 25 teams in the Sports Network Football Championship Subdivision poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Sept. 1, points and previous ranking:

Rank Team	Record	Pts	Pv
1. North Dakota St. (145)	1-0	3793	1
2. Eastern Washington (7)	1-0	3564	4
3. Montana St.	1-0	3319	2
4. Sam Houston St.	**1-0**	**3267**	**3**
5. Towson	1-0	2874	11
6. South Dakota St.	1-0	2744	6
7. Central Arkansas	1-0	2557	7
8. Villanova	0-1	2470	5
9. Northern Iowa	1-0	2357	17
10. Georgia Southern	1-0	2191	9
11. New Hampshire	0-0	2112	10
12. Cal Poly	1-0	1857	14
13. Montana	1-0	1842	20
14. Eastern Illinois	1-0	1717	21
15. Richmond	1-0	1690	15
16. Wofford	0-1	1527	8
17. Stony Brook	0-0	1235	16
18. McNeese St.	1-0	1213	NR
19. Illinois St.	0-1	1164	13
20. James Madison	1-0	1147	19
21. Appalachian St.	0-1	841	12
22. Northern Arizona	0-1	583	18
23. Lehigh	0-0	557	22
24. Coastal Carolina	1-0	484	25
25. Bethune-Cookman	1-0	420	23

NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Buffalo	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Miami	0	0	0	.000	0	0
New England	0	0	0	.000	0	0
N.Y. Jets	0	0	0	.000	0	0
South	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Houston	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Indianapolis	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Jacksonville	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Tennessee	0	0	0	.000	0	0
North	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Baltimore	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Cincinnati	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Cleveland	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Pittsburgh	0	0	0	.000	0	0
West	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Denver	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Kansas City	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Oakland	0	0	0	.000	0	0
San Diego	0	0	0	.000	0	0

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	0	0	0	.000	0	0
N.Y. Giants	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Philadelphia	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Washington	0	0	0	.000	0	0
South	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Atlanta	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Carolina	0	0	0	.000	0	0
New Orleans	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Tampa Bay	0	0	0	.000	0	0
North	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Chicago	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Detroit	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Green Bay	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Minnesota	0	0	0	.000	0	0
West	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Arizona	0	0	0	.000	0	0
San Francisco	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Seattle	0	0	0	.000	0	0
St. Louis	0	0	0	.000	0	0

Thursday's Game
Baltimore at Denver, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Atlanta at New Orleans, noon
Cincinnati at Chicago, noon
New England at Buffalo, noon
Tennessee at Pittsburgh, noon
Tampa Bay at N.Y. Jets, noon
Kansas City at Jacksonville, noon
Seattle at Carolina, noon
Miami at Cleveland, noon
Minnesota at Detroit, noon
Oakland at Indianapolis, noon
Green Bay at San Francisco, 3:25 p.m.
Arizona at St. Louis, 3:25 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.

Monday's Games
Philadelphia at Washington, 6:10 p.m.
Houston at San Diego, 9:20 p.m.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	82	57	.590	—
Tampa Bay	75	60	.556	5
Baltimore	73	63	.537	7 1/2
New York	73	64	.533	8
Toronto	63	75	.457	18 1/2
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Detroit	81	57	.587	—
Cleveland	72	65	.526	8 1/2
Kansas City	71	66	.518	9 1/2
Minnesota	60	76	.441	20
Chicago	56	80	.412	24
West Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Oakland	79	58	.577	—
Texas	79	58	.577	—
Los Angeles	63	72	.467	15
Seattle	62	75	.453	17
Houston	45	92	.328	34

Monday's Scores
N.Y. Yankees 9, Chicago White Sox 1
Detroit 3, Boston 0
Minnesota 10, Houston 6
Kansas City 3, Seattle 1
Baltimore 7, Cleveland 2
Oakland 4, Texas 2
Toronto 4, Arizona 1
Tampa Bay at L.A. Angels, late

Today's Games
Baltimore (Tillman 15-4) at Cleveland (U.Jimenez 9-9), 6:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Sale 10-12) at N.Y. Yankees (Kuroda 11-10), 6:05 p.m.
Detroit (Scherzer 19-1) at Boston (Lester 12-8), 6:10 p.m.
Minnesota (P.Hernandez 3-1) at Houston (Cosart 1-1), 7:10 p.m.
Seattle (E.Ramirez 5-1) at Kansas City (B.Chen 6-2), 7:10 p.m.
Toronto (Redmond 2-2) at Arizona (Miley 9-9), 8:40 p.m.
Tampa Bay (M.Moore 14-3) at L.A. Angels (Vargas 8-5), 9:05 p.m.
Texas (M.Perez 8-3) at Oakland (Colon 14-5), 9:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	84	53	.613	—
Washington	69	68	.504	15
Philadelphia	63	75	.457	21 1/2
New York	62	74	.456	21 1/2
Miami	51	85	.375	32 1/2
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Pittsburgh	80	57	.584	—
St. Louis	79	58	.577	1
Cincinnati	77	61	.558	3 1/2
Milwaukee	59	78	.431	21
Chicago	58	79	.423	22
West Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Los Angeles	82	55	.599	—
Arizona	69	67	.507	12 1/2
Colorado	65	74	.468	18
San Diego	61	76	.445	21
San Francisco	61	76	.445	21

Monday's Scores
Atlanta 13, N.Y. Mets 5
Cincinnati 7, St. Louis 2
Pittsburgh 5, Milwaukee 2
Miami 4, Chicago Cubs 3
San Diego 4, San Francisco 1
L.A. Dodgers 10, Colorado 8
Toronto 4, Arizona 1
Philadelphia 3, Washington 2

Today's Games
Washington (G.Gonzalez 8-6) at Philadelphia (E.Martin 2-3), 6:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (C.Torres 3-2) at Atlanta (Medlen 11-12), 6:10 p.m.
St. Louis (Wacha 2-0) at Cincinnati (H.Bailey 9-10), 6:10 p.m.
Miami (Koehler 3-9) at Chicago Cubs (E.Jackson 7-14), 7:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Cole 6-7) at Milwaukee (Gallardo 10-9), 7:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Nolasco 11-9) at Colorado (Chacin 13-7), 7:40 p.m.
Toronto (Redmond 2-2) at Arizona (Miley 9-9), 8:40 p.m.
San Francisco (Bumgarner 11-9) at San Diego (Erlin 2-2), 9:10 p.m.

MONDAY'S AL WEST BOXES

ATHLETICS 4, RANGERS 2

Texas	ab	r	h	bi	Oakland	ab	r	h	bi
LMartn cf	5	0	1	0	Crisp cf	4	1	1	2
Profar ss	4	0	1	0	Moss rf	0	0	0	0
Kinsler 2b	5	0	0	0	Dnldsn 3b	3	0	0	0
ABeltre 3b	4	0	2	0	Lowrie ss	4	0	0	0
Przyns c	4	0	0	0	Cespds lf	4	1	2	1
Rios rf	4	0	3	0	Freimn 1b	2	0	0	0
Morlnd 1b	1	1	0	0	Barton 1b	1	0	0	0
Brkmn dh	4	0	0	0	Callasp 2b	3	1	1	0
DvMrp lf	3	1	1	2	CYoung rf-cf	3	0	1	1
					KSuzuk c	3	0	1	0
					Choice dh	2	1	0	0
Totals	34	2	8	2	Totals	29	4	6	4

Texas ......000 020 000 — 2
Oakland ......020 020 00x — 4

E—A.Beltre (12), L.Martin (5). DP—Texas 1, Oakland 1. LOB—Texas 11, Oakland 6. 2B—Rios (27), Callaspo (20). HR—Dav.Murphy (13), Crisp (17), Cespedes (21).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
D.Holland L,9-7	4 2-3	5	4	3	5	1
Tepesch	3 1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Oakland						
Straily W,8-7	5	3	2	2	3	4
Otero	1	2	0	0	1	0
Bre.Anderson	1	1	0	0	1	2
Cook	2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Balfour S,36-38	1	1	0	0	1	0

T—2:48. A—23,495 (35,067).

TWINS 10, ASTROS 6

Minnesota	ab	r	h	bi	Houston	ab	r	h	bi
Presley cf	3	1	0	0	Grssmn lf	4	2	2	0
Mstrnn rf-lf	5	0	1	1	Altuve 2b	5	2	4	1
Dozier 2b	4	2	2	1	JCastro c	2	1	2	2
Wlngh dh	4	0	0	0	C.Clark pr-c	3	0	0	0
Plouffe 3b	3	1	3	1	MDmn 3b	5	0	0	0
Bernier pr-3b	0	2	0	0	Carter 1b	4	0	2	2
CHrmn c	3	1	2	0	Crowe rf	4	0	1	1
Colaell 1b	5	2	2	5	BBarns cf	4	0	1	0
Thoms lf	2	1	1	0	Hoes dh	4	0	0	0
Doumit ph-rf	1	0	0	0	Villar ss	2	1	1	0
Flormn ss	4	0	2	2					
Totals	34	10	13	10	Totals	37	6	13	6

Minnesota ......011 210 014 — 10
Houston ......321 000 000 — 6

E—B.Barnes (3), Villar (7). DP—Houston 3. LOB—Minnesota 7, Houston 7. 2B—Mastroianni (1), Grossman (14), Carter (19), Villar (6). HR—Dozier (16), Plouffe (13), Colabello 2 (6). SB—Florimon (13), Altuve (31), Villar (12). CS—Plouffe (1), B.Barnes (8), Villar (6). S—C.Herrmann.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
A.Albers	1 2-3	9	5	5	0	2
Swarzak	4 1-3	3	1	1	2	5
Roenicke W,3-1	2	0	0	0	1	2
Fien	1	1	0	0	0	1
Houston						
Clemens	3 2-3	7	4	3	3	0
Harrell	1 1-3	3	1	1	1	1
Fields	2	0	1	1	2	2
K.Chapman	1	1	0	0	1	2
Lo L,0-3	1	2	4	4	2	2

Fields pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.
T—3:32. A—14,287 (42,060).

ROYALS 3, MARINERS 1

Seattle	ab	r	h	bi	Kansas City	ab	r	h	bi
BMiller ss	5	0	2	1	AGordn lf	3	0	0	0
Frnkln 2b	2	0	0	0	Bonifac 2b	3	0	0	1
Seager 3b	4	0	3	0	Hosmer 1b	4	1	1	0
KMorls dh	4	0	0	0	BButler dh	4	0	1	0
Smoak 1b	4	0	0	0	Mostks 3b	3	0	1	1
MSndrs rf	4	0	1	0	S.Perez c	3	0	0	0
Zunino c	3	0	0	0	Lough rf	3	0	1	0
Ackley lf	4	0	0	0	JDyson cf	2	1	1	0
AAlmnt cf	4	1	1	0	AEscor ss	3	1	1	0
Totals	34	1	7	1	Totals	28	3	6	2

Seattle ......000 100 000 — 1
Kansas City ......000 120 00x — 3

E—Zunino (1), B.Miller (7). DP—Seattle 1. LOB—Seattle 10, Kansas City 4. 2B—Seager (29), A.Almonte (1). 3B—B.Miller (6). SB—A.Escobar 2 (18). S—J.Dyson. SF—Bonifacio.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
F.Hernandez L,12-9	6 2-3	6	3	3	1	6
O.Perez	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	2
Kansas City						
Duffy	3 2-3	5	1	1	4	4
W.Smith W,2-1	4 1-3	1	0	0	0	8
G.Holland S,37-39	1	1	0	0	0	1

WP—F.Hernandez. PB—S.Perez.
T—2:45. A—20,063 (37,903).

MONDAY'S LINESCORES

AMERICAN LEAGUE

YANKEES 9, WHITE SOX 1
Chicago ......000 000 100 — 1 7 3
New York ......100 800 00x — 9 11 0
Quintana, Axelrod (2), Petricka (4), Purcey (7) and Phegley; Bry.Anderson, P.Hughes, Huff (2), Cabral (8), Warren (9) and Au.Romine. W—Huff 2-0. L—Quintana 7-5. HRs—Chicago, Konerko (10).

TIGERS 3, RED SOX 0
Detroit ......000 000 210 — 3 8 0
Boston ......000 000 000 — 0 6 1
Fister, Coke (8), B.Rondon (8), Veras (9) and Avila; Lackey, Thornton (8) and Saltalamacchia. W—Fister 12-7. L—Lackey 8-12. Sv—Veras (21).

ORIOLES 7, INDIANS 2
Baltimore ......030 200 002 — 7 11 0
Cleveland ......000 000 110 — 2 6 0
B.Norris, Tom.Hunter (8), Matusz (9) and Wieters, Masterson, Guilmet (2), Hagadone (3), Shaw (5), B.Wood (6), Rapada (7), M.Albers (7), Rzepczynski (9) and C.Santana. W—B.Norris 10-10. L—Masterson 14-10. HRs—Baltimore, McLouth (10), Wieters (20). Cleveland, Kipnis (17), Chisenhall (9).

INTERLEAGUE

BLUE JAYS 4, DIAMONDBACKS 1
Toronto ......020 000 002 — 4 5 0
Arizona ......000 000 001 — 1 4 0
E.Rogers, S.Santos (7), Delabar (8), Loup (9), Janssen (9) and Thole; McCarthy and Nieves. W—E.Rogers 4-7. L—McCarthy 3-9. Sv—Janssen (27). HRs—Toronto, Encarnacion (35).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

BRAVES 13, METS 5
New York ......010 200 200 — 5 10 1
Atlanta ......240 022 03x — 13 17 1
Matsuzaka, Byrdak (4), Germen (5), Feliciano (6), Black (6), Aardsma (7), Hawkins (8) and Recker; Maholm, Ayala (6), S.Downs (7), D.Carpenter (7), Avilan (9) and McCann. W—Maholm 10-10. L—Matsuzaka 0-3. HRs—Atlanta, F.Freeman (18).

REDS 7, CARDINALS 2
St. Louis ......002 000 000 — 2 4 0
Cincinnati ......131 100 01x — 7 12 0
Wainwright, S.Freeman (7), Axford (8), Choate (8), Salas (8) and Y.Molina, Ro.Johnson; Latos and Mesoraco. W—Latos 14-5. L—Wainwright 15-9. HRs—Cincinnati, Choo (19), Votto (21).

PIRATES 5, BREWERS 2
Pittsburgh ......001 010 300 — 5 11 2
Milwaukee ......010 000 100 — 2 8 0
Morton, Watson (8), Melancon (9) and R.Martin; Thornburg, Gorzelanny (7), Figaro (7), Blazek (8), Wooten (9), Mic.Gonzalez (9) and Lucroy. W—Morton 7-3. L—Thornburg 1-1. Sv—Melancon (10). HRs—Pittsburgh, N.Walker (10).

MARLINS 4, CUBS 3
Miami ......130 000 000 — 4 9 1
Chicago ......300 000 000 — 3 8 0
H.Alvarez, M.Dunn (7), Qualls (8), Cishek (9) and Mathis; Tr.Wood, Villanueva (8) and D.Navarro. W—H.Alvarez 3-3. L—Tr.Wood 8-11. Sv—Cishek (29). HRs—Miami, Yelich (3), H.Alvarez (1).

PADRES 4, GIANTS 1
San Francisco ......000 010 000 — 1 8 0
San Diego ......030 100 00x — 4 4 0
Zito, Moscoso (5), Machi (7) and Posey; Kennedy, Vincent (7), Layne (8), Gregerson (8), Street (9) and Hundley. W—Kennedy 6-9. L—Zito 4-11. Sv—Street (26). HRs—San Diego, Hundley (11).

DODGERS 10, ROCKIES 8
Los Angeles ......101 033 002 — 10 15 0
Colorado ......300 020 021 — 8 18 2
Kershaw, League (6), B.Wilson (7), Belisario (8), Jansen (9) and A.Ellis; Bettis, Manship (5), Francis (7), Belisle (9) and W.Rosario. W—Kershaw 14-8. L—Manship 0-5. Sv—Jansen (25). HRs—Los Angeles, Ethier (11). Colorado, W.Rosario (21).

PHILLIES 3, NATIONALS 2
Washington ......100 000 010 — 2 5 1
Philadelphia ......000 100 02x — 3 4 1
Strasburg, Storen (7), Clippard (8), Stammen (8) and W.Ramos; Hamels, De Fratus (8), C.Jimenez (8), Rosenberg (8), Papelbon (9) and Ruiz. W—Rosenberg 2-0. L—Clippard 6-3. Sv—Papelbon (24). HRs—Washington, Zimmerman (16).

Leaders

AMERICAN LEAGUE

BATTING—MiCabrera, Detroit, .358; Trout, Los Angeles, .334; ABeltre, Texas, .327; Mauer, Minnesota, .324; DOrtiz, Boston, .312; Cano, New York, .305; Loney, Tampa Bay, .305; JhPeralta, Detroit, .305.

RUNS—MiCabrera, Detroit, 95; CDavis, Baltimore, 95; Trout, Los Angeles, 93; AJones, Baltimore, 90; AJackson, Detroit, 89; Ellsbury, Boston, 87; Encarnacion, Toronto, 83.

RBI—MiCabrera, Detroit, 130; CDavis, Baltimore, 122; Encarnacion, Toronto, 101; AJones, Baltimore, 98; Fielder, Detroit, 93; Cano, New York, 89; DOrtiz, Boston, 85.

HITS—ABeltre, Texas, 174; MiCabrera, Detroit, 173; Machado, Baltimore, 172; Trout, Los Angeles, 168; Ellsbury, Boston, 165; AJones, Baltimore, 164; Pedroia, Boston, 164.

DOUBLES—Machado, Baltimore, 46; Lowrie, Oakland, 41; CDavis, Baltimore, 38; Pedroia, Boston, 36; AlRamirez, Chicago, 36; JCastro, Houston, 35; Mauer, Minnesota, 35; Saltalamacchia, Boston, 35; Trout, Los Angeles, 35.

TRIPLES—Trout, Los Angeles, 9; Ellsbury, Boston, 8; Gardner, New York, 8; Drew, Boston, 6; AGordon, Kansas City, 6; BMiller, Seattle, 6; AJackson, Detroit, 5; DeJennings, Tampa Bay, 5; Kawasaki, Toronto, 5; LMartin, Texas, 5.

HOME RUNS—CDavis, Baltimore, 47; MiCabrera, Detroit, 43; Encarnacion, Toronto, 35; ADunn, Chicago, 30; Trumbo, Los Angeles, 29; Bautista, Toronto, 28; ABeltre, Texas, 28; AJones, Baltimore, 28; Longoria, Tampa Bay, 28.

STOLEN BASES—Ellsbury, Boston, 51; RDavis, Toronto, 40; Andrus, Texas, 35; Rios, Texas, 33; Altuve, Houston, 31; LMartin, Texas, 30; JDyson, Kansas City, 29; McLouth, Baltimore, 29; AlRamirez, Chicago, 29; Trout, Los Angeles, 29.

PITCHING—Scherzer, Detroit, 19-1; Tillman, Baltimore, 15-4; MMoore, Tampa Bay, 14-3; Colon, Oakland, 14-5; CWilson, Los Angeles, 14-6; Masterson, Cleveland, 14-10; Guthrie, Kansas City, 13-10.

ERA—AniSanchez, Detroit, 2.68; Darvish, Texas, 2.73; Kuroda, New York, 2.89; Scherzer, Detroit, 2.90; Iwakuma, Seattle, 2.92; Colon, Oakland, 2.94; Sale, Chicago, 2.99.

STRIKEOUTS—Darvish, Texas, 236; Scherzer, Detroit, 201; FHernandez, Seattle, 200; Sale, Chicago, 193; Masterson, Cleveland, 188; Verlander, Detroit, 175; DHolland, Texas, 168.

SAVES—JiJohnson, Baltimore, 41; MRivera, New York, 39; Nathan, Texas, 38; GHolland, Kansas City, 37; AReed, Chicago, 36; Balfour, Oakland, 36; Perkins, Minnesota, 32.

PRO RODEO

Through Aug. 25

All-around
1. Trevor Brazile, Decatur, $165,321
2. Tuf Cooper, Decatur, $106,920
3. Rhen Richard, Roosevelt, Utah $86,495
4. Shane Proctor, Grand Coulee, Wash $85,384
5. Caleb Smidt, Yorktown, $73,840
6. Landon McClaugherty, Tilden, $69,734
7. Steven Dent, Mullen, Neb. $68,636
8. Ryan Jarrett, Comanche, Okla. $60,366
9. Stetson Vest, Childress, $59,443
10. Jake Cooper, Monument, N.M. $53,016
11. Josh Peek, Pueblo, Colo. $52,388
12. JoJo LeMond, Andrews, $50,964
13. Morgan Grant, New Waverly, $48,222
14. Clayton Hass, Terrell, $45,652
15. Paul David Tierney, Oral, S.D. $41,334
16. Curtis Cassidy, Donalda, Alberta $41,259
17. Ryle Smith, Oakdale, Calif. $40,463
18. Chad Johnson, Cut Bank, Mont. $37,409
19. Trell Etbauer, Goodwell, Okla. $35,878
20. Blake Hirdes, Turlock, Calif. $32,354

Bareback Riding
1. Kaycee Feild, Payson, Utah $97,853
2. Ryan Gray, Cheney, Wash. $92,969
3. Bobby Mote, Stephenville, $89,922
4. Will Lowe, Canyon, $83,432
5. Wes Stevenson, Lubbock, $82,933
6. J.R. Vezain, Cowley, Wyo. $81,692
7. Ty Breuer, Mandan, N.D. $74,337
8. Jared Smith, Cross Plains, $67,223
9. Clint Cannon, Waller, $62,864
10. Austin Foss, Terrebonne, Ore. $59,273
11. Jessy Davis, Power, Mont. $57,481
12. R.C. Landingham, Pendleton, Ore. $55,945
13. Steven Dent, Mullen, Neb. $54,172
14. Steven Peebles, Redmond, Ore. $53,418
15. Seth Hardwick, Laramie, Wyo. $52,695
16. Casey Colletti, Pueblo, Colo. $52,249
17. Caleb Bennett, Morgan, Utah $50,692
18. Clint Laye, Cadogan, Alberta $50,119
19. Tim O'Connell, Zwingle, Iowa $47,843
20. George Gillespie IV, Placerville, Calif. $46,593

Steer Wrestling
1. Casey Martin, Sulphur, La. $85,574
2. Matt Reeves, Cross Plains, 66,457
3. Trevor Knowles, Mount Vernon, Ore $64,784
4. Jule Hazen, Ashland, Kan. $59,027
5. Hunter Cure, Holliday, $58,329
6. Dean Gorsuch, Gering, Neb. $58,098
7. Straws Milan, Cochrane, Alberta $57,341
8. K.C. Jones, Decatur, $57,291
9. Jason Miller, Lance Creek, Wyo. $54,254
10. Stan Branco, Chowchilla, Calif. $54,120
11. Luke Branquinho, Los Alamos, Calif. $52,242
12. Wade Sumpter, Fowler, Colo. $44,854
13. Clayton Moore, Pouce Coupe, British Columbia $44,414
14. Bray Armes, Ponder, $43,205
15. Sean Santucci, Prineville, Ore. $43,171
16. Seth Brockman, Wheatland, Wyo. $43,052
17. Dakota Eldridge, Elko, Nev. $40,623
18. Tyler Pearson, Louisville, Miss. $40,529
19. Dru Melvin, Hebron, Neb. $37,199
20. Blake Knowles, Heppner, Ore. $34,901

Team Roping (header)
1. Clay Tryan, Billings, Mont. $96,650
2. Kaleb Driggers, Albany, Ga. $91,894
3. Erich Rogers, Round Rock, Ariz. $87,018
4. Luke Brown, Stephenville, $67,629
5. Brandon Beers, Powell Butte, Ore. $63,593
6. Dustin Bird, Cut Bank, Mont. $63,568
7. Drew Horner, Plano, $63,090
8. Turtle Powell, Stephenville, $58,500
9. Charly Crawford, Prineville, Ore. $57,812
10. Nick Sartain, Dover, Okla. $57,409
11. Trevor Brazile, Decatur, $54,189
12. Justin Van Davis, Madisonville, $53,068
13. Travis Tryan, Billings, Mont. $51,337
14. Arky Rogers, Lipan, $49,262
15. Colby Lovell, Madisonville, $49,185
16. Spencer Mitchell, Colusa, Calif. $48,729
17. Keven Daniel, Franklin, Tenn. $46,024
18. Aaron Tsinigine, Tuba City, Ariz. $46,008
19. Chad Masters, Cedar Hill, Tenn. $45,756
20. Derrick Begay, Seba Dalkai, Ariz. $44,254

Team Roping (heeler)
1. Jade Corkill, Fallon, Nev. $96,730
2. Travis Graves, Jay, Okla. $95,002
3. Cory Petska, Marana, Ariz. $86,917
4. Jim Ross Cooper, Monument, N.M. $71,415
5. Kollin VonAhn, Blanchard, Okla. $64,353
6. Paul Eaves, Lonedell, Mo. $62,745
7. Buddy Hawkins II, Columbus, Kan. $62,129
8. Ryan Motes, Weatherford, $61,093
9. Rich Skelton, Llano, $58,977
10. Tommy Zuniga, Centerville, $58,328
11. Dugan Kelly, Paso Robles, Calif. $56,806
12. Patrick Smith, Lipan, $54,189
13. Clay O'Brien Cooper, Gardnerville, Nev. $53,649
14. Martin Lucero, Stephenville, $52,788
15. Jake Long, Coffeyville, Kan. $51,337
16. Kory Koontz, Sudan, $46,071
17. Chase Tryan, Helena, Mont. $46,024
18. Walt Woodard, Stephenville, $45,556
19. Dakota Kirchenschlager, Morgan Mill, $43,808
20. Brady Minor, Ellensburg, Wash. $43,670

Saddle Bronc Riding
1. Cody Wright, Milford, Utah $103,877
2. Tyler Corrington, Hastings, Minn. $88,359
3. Jesse Wright, Milford, Utah $82,281
4. Chad Ferley, Oelrichs, S.D. $80,838
5. Cort Scheer, Elsmere, Neb. $75,856
6. Jacobs Crawley, Stephenville, $69,415
7. Cole Elshere, Faith, S.D. $67,142
8. Taos Muncy, Corona, N.M. $60,742
9. Wade Sundell, Boxholm, Iowa $59,926
10. Isaac Diaz, Desdemona, $55,118
11. Bradley Harter, Weatherford, $54,640
12. Jake Wright, Milford, Utah $54,371
13. Sterling Crawley, Stephenville, $53,585
14. Chet Johnson, Sheridan, Wyo. $50,040
15. Tyrel Larsen, Inglis, Manitoba $45,264
16. Chuck Schmidt, Keldron, S.D. $44,896
17. Heith DeMoss, Heflin, La. $39,637
18. Dustin Flundra, Pincher Creek, Alberta $38,540
19. Jesse Bail, Camp Crook, S.D. $37,073
20. Luke Butterfield, Ponoka, Alberta $35,880

Tie-down Roping
1. Tuf Cooper, Decatur, $103,181
2. Tyson Durfey, Colbert, Wash. $87,288
3. Scott Kormos, Teague, $78,684
4. Sterling Smith, Stephenville, $73,914
5. Justin Maass, Giddings, $70,533
6. Cody Ohl, Hico, $66,447
7. Trevor Brazile, Decatur, $63,005
8. Caleb Smidt, Yorktown, $62,535
9. Timber Moore, Aubrey, $56,600
10. Stetson Vest, Childress, $56,409
11. Shane Slack, Idabel, Okla. $54,855
12. Randall Carlisle, Castor, La. $52,705
13. Clint Robinson, Spanish Fork, Utah $52,412
14. Adam Gray, Seymour, $51,736
15. Ryan Jarrett, Comanche, Okla. $50,874
16. Clif Cooper, Decatur, $49,098
17. Blair Burk, Durant, Okla. $49,035
18. Cory Solomon, Prairie View, $47,776
19. Rhen Richard, Roosevelt, Utah $46,106
20. Shane Hanchey, Sulphur, La. $45,628

Steer Roping
1. Rocky Patterson, Pratt, Kan. $62,933
2. Chet Herren, Pawhuska, Okla. $52,022
3. Trevor Brazile, Decatur, $49,021
4. Cody Lee, Gatesville, $47,988
5. Dan Fisher, Andrews, $42,439
6. JoJo LeMond, Andrews, $41,948
7. Vin Fisher Jr., Andrews, $40,075
8. J. Tom Fisher, Andrews, $36,100
9. Joe Wells, Cisco, $31,838
10. Tony Reina, Wharton, $31,642
11. J.P. Wickett, Sallisaw, Okla. $30,992
12. Scott Snedecor, Fredericksburg, $29,892
13. Mike Chase, McAlester, Okla. $27,029
14. Bryce Davis, Ovalo, $26,997
15. Jess Tierney, Hermosa, S.D. $26,302
16. Brad Prather, Skiatook, Okla. $23,356
17. Rod Hartness, Pawhuska, Okla. $22,056
18. Jarrett Blessing, Paradise, $21,761
19. Brent Lewis, Piñon, N.M. $20,547
20. Jason Evans, Huntsville, Texas $19,966

Bull Riding
1. J.W. Harris, Mullin, $99,847
2. Tyler Smith, Fruita, Colo. $85,556
3. Cody Teel, Kountze, $83,060
4. Trevor Kastner, Ardmore, Okla. $81,207
5. Cody Campbell, Summerville, Ore. $74,475
6. Shane Proctor, Grand Coulee, Wash. $74,227
7. Josh Koschel, Nunn, Colo. $71,809
8. Elliot Jacoby, Fredricksburg, $68,899
9. Cole Echols, Elm Grove, La. $64,212
10. Cooper Davis, Jasper, $61,899
11. Parker Breding, Edgar, Mont. $61,873
12. Chandler Bownds, Lubbock, $61,359
13. Bobby Welsh, Gillette, Wyo. $59,594
14. Steve Woolsey, Payson, Utah $58,271
15. Tyler Willis, Wheatland, Wyo. $56,178
16. Trey Benton III, Rock Island, $55,913
17. Chris Roundy, Spanish Fork, Utah $54,324
18. Scottie Knapp, Albuquerque, N.M. $50,719
19. Jeff Askey, Martin, Tenn. $50,144
20. Wesley Silcox, Santaquin, Utah $42,849

Barrel Racing
1. Sherry Cervi, Marana, Ariz. $136,743
2. Mary Walker, Ennis, $118,261
3. Fallon Taylor, Whitesboro, $98,087
4. Michele McLeod, Whitesboro, $97,369
5. Sabrina Ketcham, Yeso, N.M. $95,141
6. Brittany Pozzi, Victoria, $88,995
7. Lisa Lockhart, Oelrichs, S.D. $81,293
8. Christy Loflin, Franktown, Colo. $78,174
9. Kaley Bass, Kissimmee, Fla. $77,355
10. Taylor Jacob, Carmine, $71,347
11. Jean Winters, Texline, $68,176
12. Trula Churchill, Valentine, Neb. $59,040
13. Sydni Blanchard, Albuquerque, N.M. $58,831
14. Jane Melby, Burneyville, Okla. $56,756
15. Brenda Mays, Terrebonne, Ore. $54,967
16. Kim Schulze, Larkspur, Colo. $54,785
17. Shada Brazile, Decatur, $52,981
18. Kelli Tolbert, Hooper, Utah $52,293
19. Natalie Foutch, Eldora, Iowa $51,947
20. Carlee Pierce, Stephenville, $51,553

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ON THE AIR

WHAT'S ON TV

CANADIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE
Montreal at Toronto, 6:30 p.m., NBC Sports Network

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
Regional coverage, Detroit at Boston or St. Louis at Cincinnati, 6 p.m., MLB
Chicago White Sox at N.Y. Yankees, 6 p.m., WGN
Texas at Oakland, 9 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest

SOCCER
Women's national teams, exhibition, United States vs. Mexico, at Washington, 7 p.m., Fox Sports 1

TENNIS
U.S. Open, men's round of 16 and women's quarterfinals, at New York, 10 a.m., ESPN2
U.S. Open, men's round of 16 and women's quarterfinals, at New York, 6 p.m., ESPN

WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
Arkansas at Oklahoma, 7 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest Plus

WHAT'S ON DECK

HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL
Odessa Permian at Lee, 6 p.m.
Midland High at Odessa High, 6 p.m.
Alpine at Trinity, 6 p.m.
Midland Classical at Wink, 6 p.m.

LOCAL SPORTS

MCS TENNIS TEAM SPLITS DUAL MATCHES ON SATURDAY

The Midland Christian tennis team split a pair of dual matches with two Class 3A opponents on Saturday at the Midland College Tennis Center.

Midland Christian beat Snyder 12-7, and then fell to Andrews 16-3.

Midland Christian winners

vs. Snyder

Boys Singles — Tristan Tannich, Preston Clements

Boys Doubles — Brady Johnson-Ryan Adams, Tristan Tannich-Ethan Lewis, Preston Clements-Bryan Brunson

Girls Singles — Mckenzie Stubbs, Ashley Hednck, Caitlin Bell, Natalie Keesee, Faith McKinney, Kristal Wight

Girls Doubles — Natalie Keesee-Faith Mckinney, Mckenzie Stubbs-Caitlin Bell

vs. Andrews

Girls Singles — Mckenzie Stubbs, Natalie Keesee

Girls Doubles — Caitlin Bell-Mckenzie Stubbs

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

National League

ATLANTA BRAVES—Recalled RHP Kameron Loe from Gwinnett (IL).

CINCINNATI REDS—Reinstated C Corky Miller from the 15-day DL. Recalled INF Neftali Soto from Louisville (IL). Selected the contract of OF Billy Hamilton from Louisville. Sent RHP Pedro Villarreal outright to Louisville.

SAN DIEGO PADRES—Recalled RHP Burch Smith from Tucson (PCL).

Can-Am League

QUEBEC CAPITALES—Exercised the 2014 contract options on RHP Chris Cox, RHP Dustin Crenshaw, RHP Jeff Duda, RHP Karl Gelinas, LHP Casey Harman, RHP Chad Jones, LHP Kyle Regnault, RHP Bryan Rembisz, LHP Ryan Rogers, RHP Charlie Rosario, RHP Dan Sausville, RHP Shawn Smith, C Jose Peley, INF Jeff Helps, INF Maxime Lefevre, INF Rene Leveret, INF Jonathan Malo, OF Sebastien Boucher, OF Royce Consigli, OF Josh Garton and OF Asif Shah.

ROCKLAND BOULDERS—Released LHP Bobby Jones.

BOWLING

PROFESSIONAL BOWLERS ASSOCIATION—Announced chief executive officer Geoff Reiss will join the board of directors, effective Sept. 9 and commissioner Tom Clark will assume day-to-day management responsibility for the PBA.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

ARIZONA CARDINALS—Re-signed LB Kenny Rowe, S Curtis Taylor and WR Kerry Taylor to the practice squad. Signed C-G Philip Blake and LB Dontay Moch to the practice squad.

BUFFALO BILLS—Signed S Jim Leonhard. Signed CB Johnny Adams, OT Edawn Coughman and RB Ronnie Wingo to the practice squad.

CAROLINA PANTHERS—Signed S Quintin Mikell. Placed S Haruki Nakamura on injured reserve.

CHICAGO BEARS—Signed OT Jamaal Johnson-Webb to the practice squad. Acquired TE Dante Rosario from Dallas for a 2014 seventh-round draft pick. Waived TE Kyle Adams.

CINCINNATI BENGALS—Signed DT Geno Atkins to a five-year contract extension through 2018.

CLEVELAND BROWNS—Signed WR Jasper Collins, DB Kip Edwards, DB Darius Eubanks, DB Terrence Frederick, WR Tori Gurley, DB Julian Posey and DB Jamoris Slaughter to the practice squad.

GREEN BAY PACKERS—Signed QB Seneca Wallace. Released QB B.J. Coleman. Signed G Bryan Collins, WR Charles Johnson, CB James Nixon, TE Jake Stoneburner, QB Scott Tolzien, WR Myles White, OT Aaron Adams and RB Michael Hill to the practice squad.

HOUSTON TEXANS—Signed FB Zach Boren, DE Keith Browner, CB Roc Carmichael, WR Andy Cruse, RB Ray Graham, G-C Alex Kupper, LB Mike Mohamed and WR EZ Nwachukwu to the practice squad.

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS—Signed WR Da'Rick Rogers to the practice squad. Waived WR Nathan Palmer from injured reserve with an injury settlement.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Signed RB Lonnie Pryor to the practice squad.

MIAMI DOLPHINS—Signed DB De'Andre Presley, S Jordan Kovacs, C Sam Brenner, OT Jason Weaver, DT Al Lapuaho, WR Brian Tyms, TE Kyle Miller and WR Marvin McNutt to the practice squad.

MINNESOTA VIKINGS—Signed DE Tristan Okpalaugo to the practice squad.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Re-signed CB Marquice Cole. Released FB James Develin and OL Josh Kline. Re-signed WR Quentin Sims to the practice squad.

NEW YORK GIANTS—Signed S Jawanza Starling to the practice squad.

NEW YORK JETS—Signed QB Brady Quinn. Released QB Graham Harrell.

OAKLAND RAIDERS—Signed OT Tony Pashos. Signed CB Chance Casey, WR Greg Jenkins, S Shelton Johnson, TE Brian Leonhardt, G Lamar Mady, OT Matt McCants, QB Tyler Wilson and LB Marshall McFadden to the practice squad.

PITTSBURGH STEELERS—Signed P Zoltan Mesko. Claimed CB Antwon Blake off waivers from Jacksonville. Released P Drew Butler and CB Isaiah Green.

SAN DIEGO CHARGERS—Released KR Richard Goodman. Signed TE Jake Byrne, WR Toney Clemons, DE Will Pericak and OT Kenny Wigginsfour to the practice squad.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS—Signed WR Chris Harper to a three-year contract. Traded LB Cam Johnson to Indianapolis for an undisclosed conditional draft pick. Signed OT Carter Bykowski, RB Jewel Hampton, WR Chuck Jacobs, CB Darryl Morris, G Patrick Omameh, NT Mike Purcell and S Mike Thomas to the practice squad.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Signed DT Michael Brooks, TE Cooper Helfet, LB Ty Powell, G Ryan Seymour, DB DeShawn Shead, DT Sealver Siliga, G Jared Smith and WR Bryan Walters to the practice squad.

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS—Signed CB Marc Anthony to the practice squad.

TENNESSEE TITANS—Signed QB Rusty Smith, TE Adam Schiltz and G Al Netter to the practice squad.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS—Agreed to terms with G Corey Crawford on a six-year contract extension, through the 2019-20 season.

SOCCER

Major League Soccer

COLUMBUS CREW—Fired coach Robert Warzycha and assistant coaches Ricardo Iribarren and Vojislav Stanisic. Named Brian Bliss interim coach.

SPORTING KANSAS CITY—Transferred F Kei Kamara to Middlesbrough FC (Football League Championship) for allocation money.

COLLEGE

CHOWAN—Named Shamika Kentish director of compliance.

COLORADO—Named Sean Kearney director of player development for men's basketball.

GUILFORD—Named Carly Hess assistant volleyball coach and Drew Scott men's assistant basketball coach.

KANSAS STATE—Named Matt McCumber men's basketball director of student-athlete development.

RAMAPO—Named Justina Cassavell women's and men's cross country coach.

FISHING REPORT

WEST

ALAN HENRY: Water lightly stained; 87-92 degrees; 12.78' low. Black bass are fair to good on Zara Spooks early, later switching to Carolina rigs, drop shot rigs and Texas rigs. Crappie are fair to good on jigs and minnows over brush piles. Catfish are good on nightcrawlers and prepared bait.

ARROWHEAD: Water off color; 86-89 degrees; 14.9' low. Black bass are good on topwaters early, later switching to weightless Senkos, Texas rigs and medium running crankbaits. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs. White bass are good on slabs. Catfish are good on prepared bait.

FORT PHANTOM HILL: Water clear; 87-89 degrees; 10.09' low. Black bass are fair to good on Texas rigs, spinnerbaits, shakyheads and drop shot rigs. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs over structure. White bass are fair to good on slabs. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water off color; 87-92 degrees; 20.24' low. Black bass are fair to good on DD22s, Texas rigs, shakyheads and split shot rigged flukes. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs around deep water structure. Catfish are fair on nightcrawlers.

OAK CREEK: Water stained; 86-92 degrees; 20.18' low. Black bass are fair to good on jigs, Texas rigs and shakyheads. Crappie are good on jigs and live minnows. Catfish are good on prepared bait.

O.H. IVIE: Water stained; 87-92 degrees; 39.79' low. Black bass are good on topwaters early, later switching to Rat-L-Traps, Texas rigs and shakyheads. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs around deep water structure. White bass are fair on topwaters and Rooster Tails. Catfish are fair to good on prepared bait.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water fairly clear; 86-91 degrees; 11.06' low. Black bass are good on drop shot rigs, Texas rigs, jigs and Carolina rigs. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs over brush piles. White bass are fair to good on tail spinners. Striped bass are fair on live shad and Sassy Shad. Catfish are fair to good on cut bait and nightcrawlers.

SWEETWATER: Water murky; 86-90 degrees; 21.67' low. Black bass are fair to good on Texas rigs and jigs. Crappie are fair on live minnows. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers.

SOUTH

AMISTAD: Water murky; 83-87 degrees; 47.80' low. Black bass are good on watermelon soft plastic worms with chartreuse tails, jigs, crankbaits, and spinnerbaits. Striped bass are slow. White bass are slow. Crappie are slow. Catfish are fair on cheesebait, shrimp, chicken livers, and nightcrawlers over baited holes. Yellow catfish are good on trotlines, juglines, and droplines around rockslides baited with live perch. Everyone in a boat must have a Mexico fishing license (if fishing the Mexico side) whether fishing or not.

AREAHSFOOTBALLSTANDINGS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

District 2-3A
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Shallowater	1	0	61	14	1.000
Andrews	1	0	32	30	1.000
Estacado	1	0	27	14	1.000
Levelland	0	0	26	24	1.000
Seminole	1	0	14	07	1.000
Lub. Cooper	0	1	20	21	.000

Last week's scores
Andrews 32, San Angelo Lake View 30; Shallowater 61, Muleshoe 14; Idalou 21, Lubbock Cooper 20; Lubbock Estacado 27, Hereford 14; Levelland 26, Lubbock Roosevelt 24; Seminole 14, Merkel 7

This week's games
Sweetwater at Andrews; Snyder at Lubbock Cooper; Levelland at Denver City; Seminole at Idalou; Littlefield at Shallowater. Lubbock Estacado is open

District 4-3A
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Big Spring	1	0	49	00	1.000
Greenwood	1	0	26	00	1.000
Monahans	0	1	07	47	.000
Sweetwater	0	1	30	36	.000
Snyder	0	1	27	28	.000
Wylie	0	1	00	38	.000

Last week's scores
Greenwood 26, Kermit 0; Big Spring 49, Fort Stockton 0; Midland Christian 47, Monahans 7; Eastland 36, Sweetwater 30; Argyle 38, Abilene Wylie 0; Amarillo Caprock 28, Snyder 27

This week's games
Brownfield at Greenwood; Big Spring at Midland Christian; Abilene Wylie at Bridgeport; Sweetwater at Andrews; Snyder at Lubbock Cooper; Monahans is open

District 3-2A Division II

Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Sonora	1	0	32	30	1.000
Reagan Co.	1	0	20	- 07	1.000
Abilene	0	1	06	34	.000
Coahoma	0	1	14	17	.000
Stanton	0	1	07	33	.000

Last week's scores
Denver City 33, Stanton 7; Crane 41, Van Horn 0; Forsan 17, Coahoma 14; Pecos 24, Alpine 6; Sonora 32, Comfort 30; Reagan County 20, Miles 7

This week's games
Coleman at Coahoma; Morton at Stanton; Junction at Reagan County; Post at Lamesa; Munday at Stamford; Plains at Forsan

District 4-A Division I
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Anson	1	0	50	20	1.000
Stamford	1	0	40	13	1.000
Forsan	1	0	17	14	1.000
Haskell	0	1	14	24	.000
Winters	0	1	06	34	.000

Last week's scores
Forsan 17, Coahoma 14; Stamford 40, McCamey 13; Mason 85, Winters 6; Anson 50, Hamlin 20; Archer City 24, Haskell 14

This week's games
Plains at Forsan; Munday at Stamford; Anson at Olney; Haskell at Seymour; Ballinger at Winters

District 5-A Division II
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Iraan	1	0	27	23	1.000
McCamey	0	1	13	40	.000
Wink	0	1	20	42	.000
Van Horn	0	1	00	41	.000

Last week's scores
Stamford 40, McCamey 13; Iraan 27, Seagraves 23; Crane 41, Van Horn 0; Slaton 42, Wink 20

This week's games
Iraan at Ozona; McCamey at Sundown; Alpine at Wink; Van Horn vs. Slaton at Wink (Saturday)

District 4 Six-man Division I
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Grady	1	0	42	28	1.000
Klondike	1	0	45	00	1.000
O'Donnell	1	0	50	36	1.000
Borden Co.	0	1	28	42	.000

Last week's scores
Grady 42, Ropes 28; Newcastle 42, Borden County 28; Klondike 45, Marfa 0; O'Donnell 50, Southland 36

This week's games
Garden City at Borden County; Water Valley at Klondike; Grady at Ira; Dawson at O'Donnell

District 5 Six-man Division I
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Garden City	1	0	57	00	1.000
Rankin	1	0	66	32	1.000
Fort Davis	0	0	00	00	.000
Marfa	0	1	00	45	.000

Last week's scores
Rankin 66, Balmorhea 32; Garden City 57, Tioga 0; Klondike 45, Marfa 0; Fort Davis was open

This week's games
Garden City at Borden County; Rankin at Trinity; Loraine vs. Fort Davis at Imperial; Marfa at Sanderson

TAPPS Division II District 1
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Mid. Christ.	1	0	47	07	1.000
Waco Reicher	1	0	19	08	1.000
RWBW Christian	1	0	15	14	1.000
FW Christian	1	0	14	47	.000
Grace Prep	0	1	17	42	.000
Grapevine Faith	0	1	12	27	.000
Pantego Christ.	0	1	14	20	.000

Last week's scores
Midland Christian 47, Monahans 7; Whitesboro 47, Fort Worth Christian 14; Arlington Oakridge 42, Arlington Grace Prep 17; Cistercian 27, Grapevine Faith Christian 12; Trinity Christian-Cedar Hill 20, Arlington Pantego Christian 14; Waco Reicher 19, Gatesville 8; Fort Worth Southwest Christian 15, Fort Worth Trinity Valley 14

This week's games
Big Spring at Midland Christian; Dallas Christian at Arlington Grace Prep; College Station at Waco Reicher; Godley at Grapevine Faith Christian; Cistercian at Arlington Pantego Christian; Fort Worth Country Day at Fort Worth Southwest Christian; Fort Worth Christian is open

TAPPS Six-man Division I District 1
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Abilene Christ.	1	0	72	58	1.000
Canyon Creek	1	0	47	00	1.000
Holy Cross	0	0	00	00	.000
Dal. Lakehill	0	0	00	00	.000
Trinity	1	1	14	62	.000

Last week's scores
Loraine 62, Trinity 14; Abilene Christian 72, Azle Christian 58; Richardson Canyon Creek 47, McKinney Cornerstone 0; Dallas Lakehill Prep and Amarillo Holy Cross were open

This week's games
Rankin at Trinity; Abilene Christian at Newcastle; Irving Universal at Dallas Lakehill Prep; Melissa Chant at Richardson Canyon Creek; Amarillo Holy Cross is open

TEXASHSFOOTBALLPOLLS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Class 5A

School	Total Points	Prv
1 Allen (18)	(1-0) 241	1
2 Katy (7)	(1-0) 230	2
3 DeSoto	(1-0) 194	4
4 Euless Trinity	(0-0) 142	6
5 Galena Park North Shore	(1-0) 123	t6
6 Houston Lamar	(1-0) 97	9
7 Cedar Hill	(1-0) 82	NR
8 Coppell	(1-0) 77	10
9 Dallas Skyline	(1-0) 38	NR
10 SA Madison	(1-0) 33	NR

Others receiving votes: 11. Cibolo Steele 24; 11. Converse Judson 24; 13. Southlake Carroll 23; 14. Austin Westlake 14; 15. Arlington Bowie 10; 16. Lufkin 7; 17. Lewisville Hebron 6; 18. SA Northside O'Connor 5; 19. Arlington Martin 4; 20. Pearland 1

Class 4A

School	Total Points	Prv
1 Cedar Park (21)	(1-0) 237	2
2 Aledo (1)	(1-0) 197	3
3 Denton Guyer (2)	(0-1) 141	1
4 SA Northside Brennan	(1-0) 136	4
5 Whitehouse	(1-0) 103	6
6 Humble Summer Creek	(1-0) 98	7
7 Georgetown	(1-0) 85	9
8 WF Rider	(1-0) 83	10
9 Texas City	(1-0) 56	10
10 Leander	(1-0) 36	NR

Others receiving votes: 11. Fairland Dawson 27; 12. Mesquite Poteet 23; 13. Elgin 20; 14. Lancaster 19; 15. Manor 18; 16. CC Calallen 9; 17. Ennis 7; 17. Tyler 7; 19. Fort Bend Marshall 5; 20. Amarillo 4; 21. N. Richland Hills Birdville 3; 22. Dallas South Oak Cliff 2; 22. Wolfforth Frenship 2; 24. Kerrville Tivy 1; 24. Beaumont Central 1

Class 3A

School	Total Points	Prv
1 Carthage (8)	(1-0) 207	2
2 Stephenville (9)	(1-0) 200	1
3 Gilmer (5)	(1-0) 195	3
4 Navasota	(1-0) 166	4
5 Argyle (2)	(1-0) 155	5
6 Kilgore	(1-0) 120	6
7 La Marque	(1-0) 88	7
8 Graham	(1-0) 59	8
9 Bellville	(1-0) 44	9
10 West Orange-Stark	(1-0) 21	NR

Others receiving votes: 11. Celina 13; 12. Port Isabel 10; 12. Shallowater 10; 14. El Campo 9; 15. Jasper 7; 16. Wimberley 4; 16. Tyler Chapel Hill 4; 18. Coldspring-Oakhurst 3; 19. Gainesville 2; 19. Silsbee 2; 21. Gladewater 1

Class 2A

School	Total Points	Prv
1 Newton (13)	(1-0) 219	1
2 Cameron Yoe (6)	(1-0) 197	2
3 East Bernard (3)	(1-0) 191	3
4 Refugio (1)	(1-0) 145	4
5 Canadian (1)	(1-0) 129	5
6 New Boston	(1-0) 110	6
7 Wall	(1-0) 90	8
8 Tatum	(1-0) 83	9
9 Cisco	(1-0) 46	10
10 Franklin	(1-0) 22	NR

Others receiving votes: 11. Daingerfield 17; 12. Hallettsville 11; 13. Sonora 10; 14. White Oak 8; 14. Corsicana Mildred 8; 16. Rogers 7; 17. Grandview 5; 17. Lago Vista 5; 19. Hempstead 4; 19. Hughes Springs 4; 21. Centerville 3; 22. Childress 2; 23. Deweyville 1; 23. Corrigan-Camden 1; 23. Idalou 1; 23. Littlefield 1.

Class 1A

School	Total Points	Prv
1 Marfa (12)	(1-0) 224	1
2 Tenaha (8)	(1-0) 219	2
3 Mason (1)	(1-0) 178	4
4 Stamford (2)	(1-0) 157	5
5 Wellington (1)	(1-0) 129	6
6 Shiner	(1-0) 118	7
7 Bartlett	(1-0) 62	8
8 Alto	(0-1) 43	3
9 Chilton	(1-0) 40	NR
10 Anson	(1-0) 37	10

Others receiving votes: 11. Falls City 23; 12. Bosqueville 15; 12. Pineland West Sabine 15; 14. Albany 14; 15. Muenster 13; 16. Munday 11; 17. Bremond 6; 18. Hubbard 5; 19. Italy 4; 19. Windthorst 4; 21. New Deal 3.

McCLENDON

From 1C

had plenty of help around him.

"There's no secret he operates the steering wheel on the offense, but there are a lot of high-powered engines in that offense with our receivers and our linemen being equally important in what we do," Greg McClendon said. "I thought he played well, I thought our receivers played well, I thought our offensive line protected awfully well. It was just a really good team effort. And I thought our defense played phenomenal."

As for the single-game records, Mason McClendon said they were a product of the hard work he and his team put in every day.

"Certainly (the records were) special but just the win, a 47-7 win, meant a lot to me to beat Monahans by that much," he said. "In my opinion, if you take care of your job, your records will take care of yourself.

"I think it's about going out and working hard every day," Mason McClendon added. "When you're on top of the mountain, the fastest way to go is down. When you're talking about breaking records, when you're talking about going undefeated, you could be going down that mountain when you're saying it. The biggest part is called the process, what Coach (McClendon) likes to say, and that's working every day and every down as hard as you can and have focus the whole time."

The McClendons' and the team's focus will now turn to Big Spring, which handed the Mustangs their only loss (17-12) during a run to the TAPPS Division II state championship last season. Like last year, the Mustangs were coming off a high from beating Monahans, and Mason McClendon said his team learned a hard lesson from that game.

"Certainly, we can have all the excuses we want, but the fact of the matter is we weren't ready to play," he recalled. "I think last year was a learning experience. We'll definitely capitalize and have more experience going into that game."

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Other notable performances from last week

■ Rankin senior FB Aaron Castillo led the Red Devils to a 66-32 victory over Balmorhea by rushing for 234 yards and three touchdowns on 15 carries.

■ In Big Spring's 49-0 victory over Fort Stockton, junior QB Tobyn Tannehill was 6-for-15 passing for 117 yards and one touchdown to go with 62 yards rushing and two TDs. Freshman RB Preston Alexander added 96 yards rushing and two TDs on seven carries.

■ In his first game back from last season's knee injury, Andrews senior QB Shane Dolgener completed 13 of 26 passes with three touchdowns and two interceptions and also rushed for a team-high 85 yards and two touchdowns on 14 carries in the Mustangs' 32-30 victory over San Angelo Lake View.

■ Grady junior E.J. Rodriguez led the Wildcats to a 42-28 victory over Ropes by rushing for 151 yards and two touchdowns on nine carries and also returned a fumble 55 yards for a score.

■ Greenwood junior QB Alex Jacobs-Montes had a solid debut as a starter as he completed 12 of 24 passes for 111 yards with one touchdown and no interceptions, and also rushed for a team-high 109 yards on 15 carries with one TD.

■ Midland Christian senior defensive tackle Erwin Baquirin recorded a team-high 13 total tackles in Friday's 47-7 victory against Monahans. Baquirin had 10 solo tackles, and also had two tackles for loss.

Compiled by Oscar LeRoy

STATISTICS

Midland Christian statistics

	(1-0)	
Midland Christian	12	19
Opponent	0	7

Team Statistics

	MCHS	Opponent
First Downs	20	10
Rushes-Yards	36-143	34-119
Passing Yards	222	92
Comp-Att-Int	23-25-1	5-11-2
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	3-25	3-20

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING

Player	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
J. Fender	15	77	5.1	0
Gilbert	9	39	13.0	0
Aguirre	1	14	14.0	0
McClendon	2	3	1.5	0
D. Fender	3	10	3.3	0
Totals	24	143	8.8	

PASSING

Player	Comp.	Att.	Int.	Yds.	TD
McClendon	22	27	1	327	7
Little	1	1	0	2	0
Totals	23	28	7	329	7

RECEIVING

Player	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Aguirre	9	154	17.1	2
Koym	6	60	10.0	3
Brown	2	25	12.5	1
Mannix	4	84	21.0	1
Jones	1	4	4.0	0
McClendon	1	2	2.0	0
Totals	23	329	14.3	7

KICKOFF RETURNS

Player	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Little	1	40	40.0	0
Aguirre	1	32	32.0	0
Totals	2	72	36.0	0

PUNT RETURNS

Player	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Little	2	0	0.0	0
Totals	2	0	0.0	0

INTERCEPTIONS

Player	No.	Yds	Avg.	TD
Koym	1	24	24.0	0
Mannix	1	5	5.0	0
Totals	2	29	14.5	0

SCORING

Player	TD	PAT	FG	2PT	TP
Koym	3	0	0	0	18
Aguirre	2	0	0	2	14
Brown	1	0	0	0	6
Mannix	1	0	0	0	6
Shiner	1	0	0	0	6
J. Fender	0	0	0	1	2
Totals	7	1	0	1	47

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Player	T	S	TFL	FC	PA	PBU
Baldwin	13	9	2	0	0	0
Warren	10	5	0	0	0	0
Sanford	9	3	0	0	0	0
J. Fender	8	0	0	0	0	0
Gilbert	7	0	0	0	0	0
Brown	4	0	0	0	0	0
D. Nguyen	4	0	0	0	0	0
Mannix	4	0	0	0	0	0
Talley	4	0	0	0	0	0
Koym	3	0	0	0	0	1
Wolfe	3	0	0	0	0	0
D. Fender	2	0	0	1	0	0
B. Hooper	2	0	0	0	0	0
Gilbert	2	0	0	0	0	0
Mungula	2	0	0	0	0	0
Aguirre	2	0	0	0	0	0
Jones	2	0	0	0	0	0
B. Thomason	2	0	0	0	0	0
Gallindo	1	0	0	0	0	0
Wilson	1	0	0	0	0	0

Note: Tackle total includes solo and assisted tackle

Trinity (0-1)

Trinity	6	6	0	0—14
Opponent	24	24	14	0—62

Team Statistics

	Trinity	Opponent
First Downs	7	12
Rushes-Yards	15-28	25-341
Passing yards	131	51
Comp-Att-Int	13-33-5	4-11-1
Punts-Avg	0-0	1-17
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	1-5	8-80

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING

Player	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Player	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Ramsey	2	18	9.0	0
Samuels	2	8	4.0	0
Harrington	1	3	3.0	0
Balano	10	-1	-0.1	0

PASSING

Player	Comp.	Att.	Int.	Yds.	TD
Balano	7	20	2	55	1
Selvera	4	7	1	53	0
Samuels	1	4	1	36	0
Harrington	1	1	0	-13	0

RECEIVING

Player	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Starck	4	42	10.5	0
Harrington	2	42	21.0	1
Pagsdale	1	21	21.0	0
Brown	2	14	7.0	0
Selvera	4	12	3.0	0

REPORT

From 1C

quarterbacks Ethan Samuels and Vincent Baiano will be back this week for Rankin. Both players left the game on Saturday, but both will be expected to play on Friday.

■ Iraan was the lone District 5-A Division I team to win a game in last week's season openers. Iraan beat Seagraves in a thriller, 27-23, while Slaton beat Wink, Stamford beat McCamey and Crane beat Van Horn.

BY THE NUMBERS

44 — Second-half points scored by Rankin in its 66-32 victory against Balmorhea on Saturday in McCamey. The Red Devils outscored the Bears, 44-19 in the second half.

1 — The number of quarters played by Garden City's starters in Saturday's 57-0 victory against Tioga. Coach Matt Odom said he played mainly reserves in the second quarter of the mercy-rule win.

260 — Rushing yards by Loraine's Patrick Tillis in its 62-14 win against Trinity on Saturday night.

28 — Rushing yards by Trinity in Saturday's 62-14 loss to Loraine on Saturday.

6 — Number of different receivers that Mason McClendon threw to in Friday's victory against Monahans.

LOOKING AHEAD

■ Big Spring at Midland Christian, 7:30 p.m. Friday: the Mustangs are looking to avenge last year's 17-12 loss in Big Spring.

■ Rankin at Trinity, 7:30 p.m. Friday: the Chargers will face a tough test against a Red Devil team coming of a big win.

■ Plains at Forsan, 7:30 p.m. Friday: the Buffaloes return home after last Thursday's big win in the Howard County Showdown against Coahoma.

■ Garden City at Borden County, 7:30 p.m. Friday: this is a big, early season battle between two teams that have aspirations of deep playoff runs.

■ Grady at Ira, 7:30 p.m. Friday: another early-season heavyweight matchup for two teams looking to make a mark this season.

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Federer loses to Robredo in 4th round of US Open

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Right from the start, Roger Federer looked very little like, well, the Roger Federer who routinely reached the final weekend at Grand Slam tournaments.

In the opening game of his fourth-round match at the U.S. Open, the owner of 17 major titles got passed at the net twice, sailed a backhand long, then missed two forehands to get broken. In the second game, the man who has spent more weeks ranked No. 1 than anyone else dumped a backhand into the net, then shanked two other backhands several feet wide.

No longer the dominant presence he once was, Federer lost in the round of 16 at Flushing Meadows for the first time in a decade, surprisingly beaten 7-6 (3), 6-3, 6-4 by 19th-seeded Tommy Robredo of Spain on Monday night.

"I kind of self-destructed, which is very disappointing," said Federer, who made 43 unforced errors and managed to convert only 2 of 16 break points. "It was a frustrating performance."

Only the latest in a series. This caps a poor-by-his-standards Grand Slam season for Federer, whose record trophy collection includes five from the U.S. Open.

He exited in the semifinals at the Australian Open in January, the quarterfinals at the French Open in early June, and the second round of Wimbledon — against a player ranked 116th, to boot — in late June. That ended Federer's record run of reaching at least the quarterfinals at 36 consecutive Grand Slam tournaments.

Now, thanks to Robredo, Federer has a new, unwanted streak: Two consecutive losses before the quarterfinals at majors.

This is the first season since 2002 that Federer did not reach at least one final at any of the four Grand Slam tournaments. That year also marked the last time Federer was ranked lower than he is now at No. 7.

"The story of my life: When I lose, people are shell-shocked to see me play this way," Federer said.

Heading into Monday, the buzz at the U.S. Open was all about looking ahead to a potential quarterfinal between Federer and his nemesis, Rafael Nadal. Owners of a combined 29 Grand Slam trophies, they have played each other 31 times — including in eight major finals — but never in New York.

Federer's loss means they won't fix that gap in their rivalry this week. When Federer's match was ending, the second-seeded Nadal was just getting started in Arthur Ashe Stadium, and the Spaniard wound up improving to 19-0 on hard courts in 2013 with a 6-7 (4), 6-4, 6-3, 6-1 victory over 22nd-seeded Philipp Kohlschreiber of Germany.

Nadal, who won the 2010 U.S. Open but missed it last year with a left knee injury, faced only one break point Monday, and Kohlschreiber blew it by putting an overhead smash into the net. Nadal has not lost any of his 56 service game so far through four matches.

"I don't want to lie. Happy for that. But I felt at the beginning today, I didn't serve my best," Nadal said. "In the next sets, I am very happy the way that I served. I was able to win a lot of points and ... start a lot of points in a good position."

He and Federer have met in four finals at the French Open, three at Wimbledon and one at the Australian Open, but they've never met in any round at the U.S. Open.

"Didn't happen. (Doesn't) mean cannot happen in the future. We'll see. Hopefully," the 27-year-old Nadal said. "But is true that we are getting older, so the chances are less today than five years ago."

At age 32, Federer has struggled with a bad back and experimented with a larger racket head, and all along, he's had far more trouble winning matches than he usually does — particularly against the sort of players he barely broke a sweat against at his peak.

That this defeat came against Robredo made it all the more stunning. Not that Robredo is a slouch. He's been ranked as high as No. 5, albeit back in 2006, and this is his seventh trip to the quarterfinals at a major. He made it that far at this year's French Open by doing something no man had done since 1927, winning three matches in a row after dropping the first two sets of each.

But consider these other facts about Robredo and this matchup: Not only was he 0-10 against Federer until Monday, he'd managed to win only three of the 27 previous sets they'd played. And before Monday, Robredo's record in the fourth round of the U.S. Open was 0-7. Robredo missed time in 2011 and 2012 because of left leg problems that required surgery, and his ranking fell below 400th.

"Roger, when he was No. 1, (compared) to the Roger right now," Robredo said, "he's not maybe (playing) with the same confidence, no?"

Federer agreed with that assessment, acknowledging that he has doubts about his play these days.

He also was asked whether Robredo — who is 0-6 against Nadal — tried anything different this time around.

"No, he didn't. Pretty simple. No surprises," Federer said. "He didn't serve-and-volley or chip-and-charge. He stood back the way he usually does. He kick-served the way he usually does."

Fans tried to get Federer going, singing, "Let's go, Roger, let's go!" or simply chanting his name. He even got support in Spanish, with one fan yelling, "Vamos, Roger! You're the best!" Here's the way Robredo described the atmosphere: When he walked out onto the court before the match, "it was like 2 percent of noise," while when Federer arrived at Louis Armstrong Stadium, it sounded "like a concert."

Federer originally was supposed to face Robredo in Ashe — the main, 23,000-capacity court — but hours of heavy rain in the afternoon muddled the schedule, including prompting the tournament to postpone two-time Australian Open champion Victoria Azarenka's match against 2008 French Open champion Ana Ivanovic until Tuesday.

In the three women's matches that were played Monday, No. 10 Roberta Vinci and unseeded Flavia Pennetta set up an all-Italian quarterfinal with victories. Vinci beat yet another woman from Italy, 136th-ranked qualifier Camila Giorgi, 6-4, 6-2, while Pennetta defeated No. 21 Simona Halep of Romania 6-2, 7-6 (3).

U.S. Open results

Monday
At The USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center
New York
Purse: $34.3 million (Grand Slam)
Surface: Hard-Outdoor

Singles
Men
Fourth Round
Tommy Robredo (19), Spain, def. Roger Federer (7), Switzerland, 7-6 (3), 6-3, 6-4.
David Ferrer (4), Spain, def. Janko Tipsarevic (18), Serbia, 7-6 (2), 3-6, 7-5, 7-6 (3).
Richard Gasquet (8), France, def. Milos Raonic (10), Canada, 6-7 (4), 7-6 (4), 2-6, 7-6 (9), 7-5.
Rafael Nadal (2), Spain, def. Philipp Kohlschreiber (22), Germany, 6-7 (4), 6-4, 6-3, 6-1.

Women
Fourth Round
Roberta Vinci (10), Italy, def. Camila Giorgi, Italy, 6-4, 6-2.
Flavia Pennetta, Italy, def. Simona Halep (21), Romania, 6-2, 7-6 (3).
Daniela Hantuchova, Slovakia, def. Alison Riske, United States, 6-3, 5-7, 6-2.

Doubles
Men
Third Round
Alexander Peya, Austria, and Bruno Soares (2), Brazil, def. Pablo Cuevas, Uruguay, and Horacio Zeballos, Argentina, 6-3, 7-6 (1).
Aisam-ul-Haq Qureshi, Pakistan, and Jean-Julien Rojer (5), Netherlands, def. Yen-hsun Lu, Taiwan, and Divij Sharan, India, 7-6 (6), 3-6, 6-3.
Treat Huey, Philippines, and Dominic Inglot (16), Britain, def. Marcel Granollers and Marc Lopez (3), Spain, 7-6 (2), 6-0.
Ivan Dodig, Croatia, and Marcelo Melo (10), Brazil, def. Sergiy Stakhovsky, Ukraine, and Mikhail Youzhny, Russia, 6-7 (7), 6-4, 6-4.
Quarterfinals
Bob and Mike Bryan (1), United States, def. Colin Fleming and Jonathan Marray (12), Britain, 7-6 (7), 6-4.

Women
Third Round
Andrea Hlavackova and Lucie Hradecka (5), Czech Republic, def. Polona Hercog, Slovenia, and Lisa Raymond, United States, 6-3, 7-6 (4).

Junior Singles
Boys
First Round
Gerardo Lopez Villaseñor, Mexico, def. Bradley Mousley, Australia, 6-4, 6-2.
Maxime Janvier, France, def. Gabriel Vellinho Hocevar, Brazil, 6-1, 6-2.
Alexander Zverev (1), Germany, def. Taylor Harry Fritz, United States, 6-3, 7-6 (2).
Christian Garin (3), Chile, def. Jared Donaldson, United States, 7-6 (4), 4-6, 6-0.
Girls
First Round
Peggy Porter, United States, def. Szabina Szlevikovics, Hungary, 6-0, 6-4.
Darya Kasatkina (5), Russia, def. Cassandra Vazquez, Mexico, 6-4, 6-1.
Ivana Jorovic, Serbia, def. Jamie Loeb, United States, 4-6, 6-4, 6-1.
Belinda Bencic (1), Switzerland), def. Raveena Kingsley, United States, 6-2, 6-4.
Sun Ziyue, China, def. Veronika Kudermetova, Russia, 6-3, 6-3.
Francoise Abanda, Canada, def. Nina Stojanovic (17), Serbia, 2-6, 7-6 (5), 6-0.
Camila Giangreco Campoz (12), Paraguay, def. Johnnise Renaud, United States, 6-4, 4-6, 6-4.
Sandra Samir, Egypt, def. Naiktha Bains, Australia, 7-6 (1), 3-6, 6-4.

Heavyweight boxer Tommy Morrison dies at 44

By Dave Skretta
Associated Press

Tommy Morrison's career reached its pinnacle on a hot June night in Las Vegas, when he stepped into the ring and beat George Foreman to become heavyweight champion.

It reached its nadir when he tested positive for HIV three years later.

The last 20 years of the brash boxer's life would be defined by extensive legal troubles, erratic behavior and mounting health problems. Morrison would later claim that he never tested positive for the virus that causes AIDs, even as he was hospitalized during the last days of his life.

Morrison died Sunday night at a Nebraska hospital. He was 44.

His longtime promoter and close friend, Tony Holden, confirmed that "the Duke" had died, but his family would not disclose the cause of death. Morrison and his wife, Trisha, continued to deny that the former champion ever had HIV during the final years of his life.

"Tommy's a very stubborn person and he views things the way he wants to view things. That's his right and privilege," Holden said. "All through his career, him and I would come not to physical blows but disagreements on certain things. We always ended up friends. That was Tommy.

"That's the way Tommy took off after he was told he was HIV-positive," Holden added. "When he first was told, I was taking him to seek treatment and to different doctors around the country. And then he started research on the Internet and started saying it was a conspiracy. He went in that direction and never looked back."

Morrison

The controversy, along with Morrison's rapid decline, overshadowed a stellar career.

Morrison was a prodigious puncher whose bid to fight in the 1988 Seoul Olympics ended at the hands of Ray Mercer, who later dealt him his first professional loss. Along the way, Morrison became such a recognizable face that he was cast in "Rocky V" alongside Sylvester Stallone.

Morrison won his first 28 professional fights, beating faded champions such as Pinklon Thomas along the way. He hit it big at the Thomas & Mack Center in the summer of 1993 — a unanimous decision over Foreman, then in the midst of his comeback — to claim a vacant world title.

As with so many things in Morrison's life, the good was quickly followed by the bad.

Morrison was in line for a high-profile bout with Lennox Lewis when he was upset by unheralded fighter Michael Bentt in Tulsa, Okla., not far from where Morrison was raised. He was knocked down three times and the fight was called before the first round ended.

The loss meant a potential $7.5 million payday for a title unification fight simply vanished.

"I zigged when I should have zagged," Morrison said afterward. "It's one of those situations you have to live with and learn from it. I'll be back."

Morrison indeed came back, but he was never the same feared fighter. He beat a bunch of long shots and faded stars over the next couple of years before getting knocked out by Lewis in the sixth round.

That fight happened in October 1995. By February, Morrison had tested positive for HIV.

He'd been preparing for another fight that winter when his blood test came back positive for the virus that causes AIDs. Morrison's license was quickly suspended by Nevada, and the ban was, in effect, upheld by every other sanctioning body. Morrison said at a news conference in 1996 that he'd never fight again, blaming his plight on a "permissive, fast and reckless lifestyle."

His lifestyle never changed, though, even when he stepped away from the ring.

He had already run afoul of the law in 1993, when he pleaded guilty to assaulting a college student. He also dealt with weapons charges and multiple DUI incidents over the years.

Morrison was finally sentenced to two years in prison in 2000, and another year was added to his sentence in 2002 for violating parole.

When he was released, Morrison said his HIV tests were in fact false positives, and he wanted to resume his career. He passed medical tests in Arizona — even as Nevada stood by its decision to suspend his license — and returned to the ring. Morrison fought twice more in his career, winning once in West Virginia and for the final time in Mexico. He finished with a record of 48-3-1 with 42 knockouts.

Free on playing right guard: 'I can do it'

By Tom Orsborn
San Tonio Express-News

IRVING – A sign in the Dallas Cowboys locker room reminds players they should be "resourceful" and stand ready to "accomplish a task in a challenging situation."

"Find a way," is the final line on the sign.

It's clear Doug Free takes those messages seriously.

After starting at either right or left tackle the last three and a half seasons, Free looks like a safe bet to begin the 2013 campaign at right guard.

"I was slightly surprised (by the move)," Free said Monday in a rare interview with reporters. "But I'm willing to do whatever it takes to make this team better. I think I've proven that before and I will prove it again."

The Cowboys entered training camp planning to give Free some snaps at guard. But what began as an experiment became a necessity after 2012 starting left guard Nate Livings and backup Ronald Leary underwent knee surgery last month.

With Livings and Leary out, right guard Mackenzy Bernadeau slid over to the left side while Free moved from right tackle to right guard. The final piece of the puzzle was to position Jermey Parnell at right tackle.

Dallas placed Livings on injured reserve Saturday. Leary returned to practice Monday but was limited.

Add it all up, and it seems all but certain Free will be playing a position he's never played before when the Cowboys host the New York Giants in the season opener Sept. 8.

Sharon Ellman/AP

Dallas' Doug Free (68) sits on the bench during an Oct. 28, 2012 game in Arlington.

"I can do it," he said.

But there is reason to doubt him. After moving from left to right tackle last season, he committed an NFL-high 13 penalties and yielded seven sacks. Things got so bad that Dallas rotated him with Parnell the last four games and then cut his salary in half in the offseason.

But despite all that, there's been no grumbling from the seventh-year player from Northern Illinois.

"He's a pro," coach Jason Garrett said. "Whatever we've asked him to do, he just goes and does – play the left side, play the right side, play inside. And he goes to work and tries to do his best. He's always done that. He's made the environment better as well, because he has such a good attitude about anything we ask him to do."

Free's willingness to accept the challenge has also earned him points with his teammates.

"It just shows how versatile he is," running back DeMarco Murray said. "He's been around this team for quite some time. He's always played tackle, but he knows the offense. Center, guard, whatever it is, he knows it. He just wants what is best for this team. Whether it's defensive end, tackle, he'll do it if they ask him to do it."

Free said the transition has gone "fairly smooth." Still, things could go awry in the opener given the line's lack of continuity.

With rookie Travis Frederick at center, left tackle Tyron Smith is the only member of the unit that started last season at the same spot.

"There's going to be combinations of guys that haven't played next to each other and guys that haven't playing in a while, this and that," Free said. "Who knows exactly what all is going to unfold? It's going to be a little bit of an issue, but the main thing is we've been together for a while and hopefully we'll be able to do a real good job out there."

Notebook: Dallas traded tight end Dante Rosario to Chicago for a 2014 conditional seventh-round draft pick...Defensive end Anthony Spencer (knee), running back Lance Dunbar (foot) and safety Danny McCray (hamstring) were among the players that didn't practice.

Cowboys' Spencer still out as opening week begins

By Schuyler Dixon
Associated Press

IRVING — Anthony Spencer vowed when training camp started without him that he would be at left defensive end for the Dallas Cowboys in the season opener.

Time is running short.

Spencer

Spencer wasn't on the field at the start of practice Monday — six days before a visit from the New York Giants and 39 days removed from arthroscopic surgery on his left knee.

The seventh-year pro missed all of camp after an injury from offseason workouts was aggravated during the pre-camp conditioning test. Coach Jason Garrett hasn't ruled out Spencer practicing this week and isn't ready to say how much or whether he will play.

Even if he does play, Spencer will probably be limited.

"Conditioning certainly is a factor," Garrett said. "I would say particularly for Spence, just because he really hasn't done much during training camp and hasn't played in the preseason games."

Spencer is playing his second straight season under the franchise tag after leading the team in tackles and getting a career-high 11 sacks in 2012. His salary is going up to $10.6 million from $8.8 million.

The Dallas defensive front will also be without tackle Jay Ratliff for the first six games. He was placed on the physically unable to perform list with groin and hamstring issues. Nick Hayden, a sixth-year pro, is the likely starter in Ratliff's spot.

Spencer and DeMarcus Ware are the cornerstones of the pass rush in a new four-man front under defensive coordinator Monte Kiffin, but they essentially haven't been on the field together in the new scheme. The Cowboys were cautious with Ware in May and June after shoulder surgery.

Then again, their jobs are much simpler than when they were linebackers in fired defensive coordinator Rob Ryan's 3-4 defense.

"I'm not worried at all," said defensive tackle Jason Hatcher, the only starter up front who hasn't battled a significant injury at some point since last season. "Those guys have been playing long enough they can wake up in the morning and play football. Once they get on the field, they're going to be just as effective as when they left."

Shanahan says RG3 will start Redskins opener

By Joseph White
Associated Press

ASHBURN, Va. — So much for those last-minute "concerns." RG3 is starting Week 1.

Washington Redskins coach Mike Shanahan finally confirmed Monday what has appeared inevitable since the start of training camp: Robert Griffin III will be under center for the season opener against the Philadelphia Eagles.

Griffin

"I feel very good where Robert's at," Shanahan said. "And he'll be our starter on Monday night unless there's some crazy setback that we don't anticipate."

As is fitting with all things Griffin these days, Shanahan couldn't make the proclamation without leaving a few loose ends of intrigue. The coach refused to disclose the "concerns" that caused him to delay the announcement for several days after the quarterback was medically cleared by Dr. James Andrews.

Andrews gave Griffin the go-ahead Thursday after examining the quarterback's surgically repaired right knee in Florida, where the Redskins were playing the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in a preseason game.

But Shanahan said at the time that Andrews also had "concerns" that needed to be addressed. Andrews contradicted the coach the next day in a series of text messages, saying he had "no concerns."

Nevertheless, Shanahan said Andrews voiced those concerns Sunday in a conference call with Griffin, general manager Bruce Allen and team athletic trainer Larry Hess. The call, the coach, was aimed at "making sure we're all on the same page."

The conclusion? Shanahan said Griffin is "ready to go — full-speed ahead."

Asked what the concerns are, Shanahan said he would leave it to Griffin to disclose them. Griffin is scheduled to address reporters Wednesday.

Asked to explain why Dr. Andrews said Friday there were no concerns, Shanahan said: "That's not what he shared with Robert. That's not what he shared with me."

Henrik Stenson finally cashes in at TPC Boston

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

NORTON, Mass. (AP) — A great summer of golf finally paid off for Henrik Stenson.

Stenson made three straight birdies to race by a fast-fading Sergio Garcia, and he holed a bunker shot for birdie on the 17th hole to turn back a final threat from Steve Stricker and win the Deutsche Bank Championship.

Stenson was runner-up in the British Open and a World Golf Championship, and he tied for third at the PGA Championship. All that was missing was a trophy, and he took care of that on Labor Day at the soggy TPC Boston by closing with a 5-under 66 for a two-shot win over Stricker.

The 37-year-old Swede moved to the top of the FedEx Cup standings after two playoff events, assuring him his first trip to the Tour Championship and a clear shot at the $10 million prize.

"I'm just pleased I won here," said Stenson, who tied the tournament record at 22-under 262. "This was a big goal of mine to win a golf tournament after all those nice finishes. My family is here. I'm going to see my kids in a little bit. It's all good."

Stenson's win was only part of the high drama Monday, so much that Tiger Woods became an afterthought. He closed with a 73 and tied for 65th. The best image of him all day was walking back out to the course after a rain delay with he and his 6-year-old daughter dressed in matching red.

Brendan Steele thought his season was over when the final round was halted for two hours because of rain. Steele made a birdie putt on the 15th when play resumed, hit a 9-iron to 2 feet for birdie on the 16th and closed with two more birdies to sneak into the top 70 in the FedEx Cup and advance to the third playoff event in two weeks at Conway Farms north of Chicago.

Steele appeared to bump Ernie Els out of the top 70 when he tied him at 12-under 272.

"It feels like I just missed the cut," Els said when he finished. But the Big Easy was given a big reprieve. K.J. Choi made a bogey on the par-5 18th. Charley Hoffman made bogey on the 17th. Kevin Chappell missed an 8-foot birdie putt on the last hole. That combination was enough for Els to grab the 70th spot by a fraction of a point.

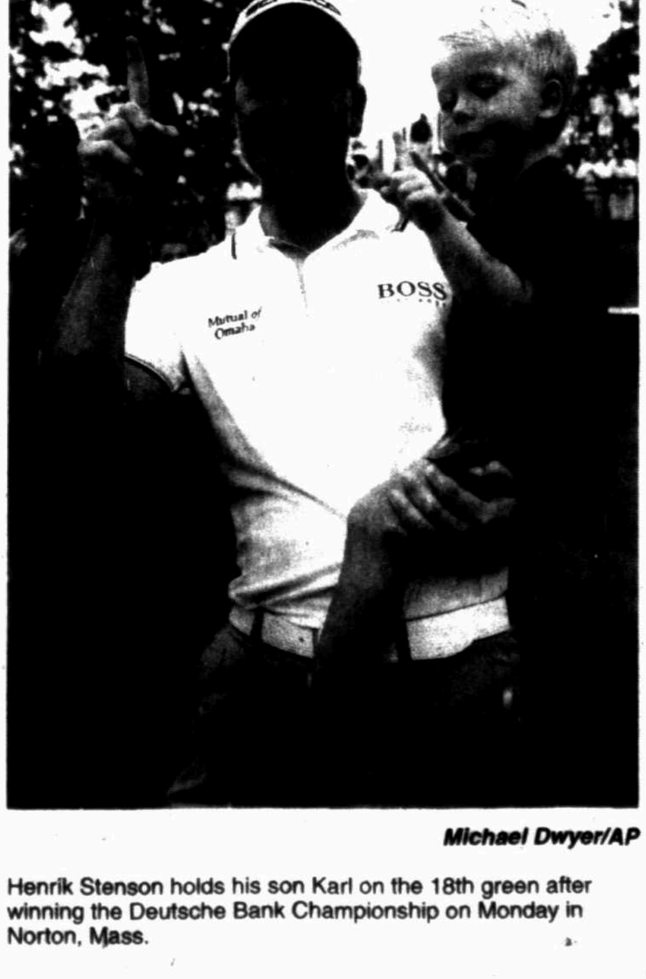
Stricker's third runner-up finish this year allowed him to move into the top 10 and qualify for the Presidents Cup team, despite playing a part-time schedule. That put the 10th spot up for grabs between Webb Simpson and Zach Johnson, who were playing together on the other side of the course.

They were tied at 8 under — big advantage to Simpson — until the former U.S. Open champion dropped two shots on the last four holes. Johnson faced a 25-foot birdie putt on his last hole that determined whether he made the team, and he poured it in the middle.

Johnson last week gave up a chance to earn points by skipping The Barclays to be in his brother's wedding.

Lost in all this commotion was Jordan Spieth, the 20-year-old Texan dressed in a shirt with the Dallas Cowboys' silver-and-blue colors. He went birdie-birdie-birdie-eagle at the end of his round for a 62 right before the rain delay.

With such soft conditions, his 17-under 267 was never going to hold up. Spieth wound up tied for fourth, and is No. 10 in the FedEx Cup standings. He is assured of becoming the first player since Woods in 1996 to start a season with no status and reach the Tour Championship. Woods, however, did it in seven tournaments.


Michael Dwyer/AP

Henrik Stenson holds his son Karl on the 18th green after winning the Deutsche Bank Championship on Monday in Norton, Mass.

Tech's Mayfield receives Big 12 honor

From staff and wire reports

DALLAS — Texas Tech freshman quarterback Baker Mayfield, Oklahoma State senior Caleb Lavey and TCU senior B.J. Catalon each received Big 12 Football Player of the Week awads last week.

Mayfield, a true freshman walk-on from Lake Travis, completed 43 of 60 passes for 413 yards and four touchdowns with no interceptions in Texas Tech's 41-23 win at SMU. Mayfield also added an 11-yard rushing score in the fourth quarter. The Lake Travis native set the TTU record for most completions by a signal caller in a career debut.

Lavey, a senior from Celina, recorded 11 tackles, two tackles for loss and a half sack in Oklahoma State's 21-3 win over Mississippi State in Houston's Reliant Stadium.

Catalon, a sophomore from Houston, returned a kickoff 100 yards for a touchdown, which was the second longest in TCU history. It was the program's first kickoff return for a score since 2011 and the first 100-yarder for a TD since 2005. Catalon also had a team-best 52 yards rushing on eight carries, including a 26-yard third-quarter TD run for his first career rushing score.

Not good Big 12 start with 2 losses to FCS teams

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

The Big 12 is 0-2 against the Missouri Valley Conference, and it took a late touchdown by West Virginia to avoid another opening-weekend loss to an FCS team.

"That's the story of the opening week of the season, is who gets beat by somebody they shouldn't," Texas coach Mack Brown said Monday. "There's always a couple, and this year there were a lot more than that."

Nationwide, there were eight FCS teams that beat FBS opponents. That was twice as many such upsets as the opening week of 2012.

But that's not supposed to happen to a league like the Big 12, which going into this season was 103-3 against non-FBS teams. The conference in its 18th season almost matched that loss total in one weekend.

"It will grab your attention. Luckily, we were able to get tested and be able to overcome that," said West Virginia coach Dana Holgorsen, whose team escaped with a 24-17 win over William & Mary. "At the end of the year, it really doesn't matter what the score was. It's about getting the wins."

Defending co-Big 12 champion Kansas State failed to do that against two-time defending FCS champion North Dakota State, then Iowa State lost to Northern Iowa. (Baylor beat Wofford 69-3 in its FCS matchup).

The only other FBS leagues with two losses to lower-tier teams were the American Athletic Conference (former Big East) and Sun Belt. The Sun Belt losers were South Alabama, in its first season as a full-fledged FBS team, and Georgia State, a team still making that transition.

Not exactly the company the Big 12 wants to be in when the goal is break the SEC's string of seven consecutive national championships.

"It's all about the final product and how we finish the year, not how we start the year," Holgorsen said. "There's going to be a lot of positive things happen in the Big 12, there's going to be a lot of great games to be played, and at the end of the year, we'll see how we stack up."

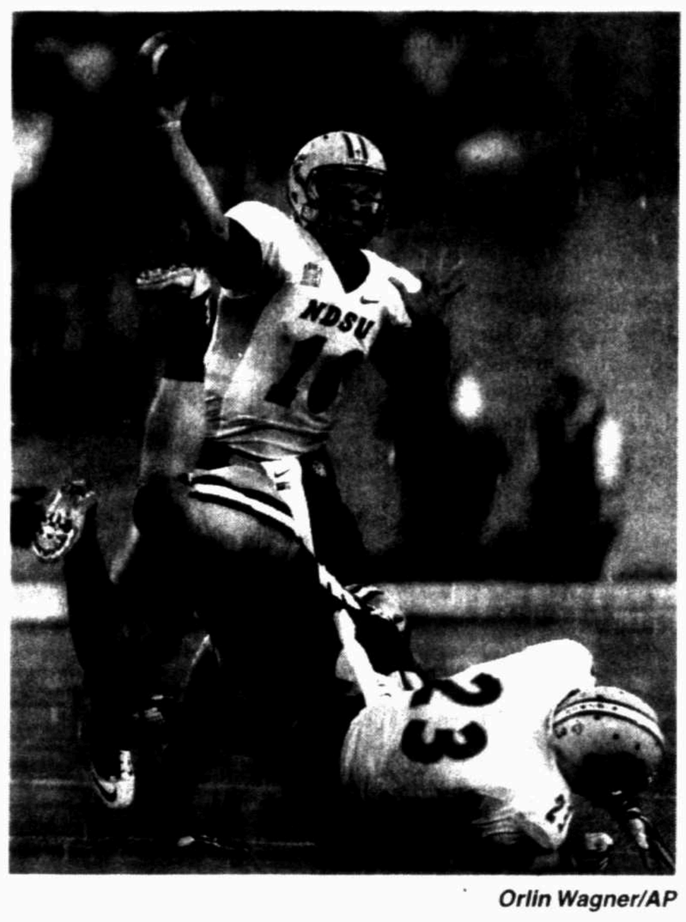
Big 12 teams have three more games against FCS teams this week, including Kansas playing South Dakota in its season opener. Texas Tech plays coach Kliff Kingsbury's home debut against Stephen F. Austin, and TCU hosts Southeastern Louisiana.

West Virginia goes to Oklahoma for the first game this season that counts in the Big 12 standings. The Sooners and Texas don't play any FCS opponents this year.

"There's always talk in the first week or the second week about who's the best conference," Brown said. "I think you need to look at the end of the season at the body of work."

Kansas had an early practice Saturday before coach Charlie Weis spent the rest of the day watching games, even paying $10 to watch the online broadcast of South Dakota's win over UC Davis. The Jayhawks also had a team meeting Sunday. The first words from Weis to his players were the same both days after all the FCS upsets.

"It was a great teaching tool," Weis said during the Big 12 coaches' weekly conference call. "The first words being uttered, did you pay attention, did you see what just happened. This isn't any big surprise here fellas. This is what can happen. I think that game (Kansas State) glaringly got our players' attention."



Orlin Wagner/AP

North Dakota State quarterback Brock Jensen (16) passes behind the block of running back John Crockett (23) on Kansas State defensive end Ryan Mueller (44) during the first half Friday in Manhattan, Kan.

Every loss by Big 12 teams last season was against an opponent that went to a bowl game. The league was 8-0 against FCS teams, winning those games by an average margin of 44 points. (That was still 38 if not counting Oklahoma State's 84-0 win over Savannah State).

Kansas State, after losing its first opener since coach Bill Snyder's debut with the Wildcats in 1989, plays Louisiana-Lafayette on Saturday.

Asked how he was doing, Snyder responded, "Well, I've had better days."

Still, Snyder said the message to his team is unchanged in that the goal is to get better every day.

"We've got a lot of improvement to make," he said. "I think that's pretty obvious."

Iowa State has to wait an extra week before another game, with an open date before playing in-state rival Iowa on Sept. 14.

"We were distraught. I'll put it that way," Cyclones coach Paul Rhoads said, describing his team's mode after the loss.

Oh, and guess which FCS team is on Iowa State's schedule next season. North Dakota State.

Johnny Football's real education beginning

By Jim Litke
Associated Press

■ COLUMN

The real education of Johnny Football is just beginning. So he better enjoy all the clowning while he still can. He's about to learn there's no more wearying job in sports than being a marked man all the time.

For starters, you're always looking over your shoulder for the next guy trying to make his name. It's dispiriting, too, hearing nothing but boos on the road and knowing that even the guys who are supposed to have your back think of you as a calculated risk.

A few athletes have done it well for a while. But you can count on one hand how many of those — Ty Cobb comes to mind — parlayed the role into a long and productive career.

At the moment, sure, it seems like nobody can stop Manziel.

The NCAA whiffed on its shot and Rice — Texas A&M's opening opponent — turned out to be overmatched. And this weekend's opponent, Sam Houston State, arrives straight from the tomato-can division.

Neither A&M's chancellor, a fanboy named John Sharp, nor it's coach, Kevin Sumlin, who got a big raise riding the Johnny Football wave last season, are inclined to change a thing about him. He brings in too much money. Judging by recent remarks from his father, Paul, even Manziel's parents have given up.

One referee in last Saturday's game did his best, slapping Manziel with an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty in the fourth quarter that even Sumlin couldn't ignore. The coach finally benched his star — after Manziel had delivered three touchdowns, and as many insults, at the expense of Rice's defenders — and then called it a "foolish penalty."

"No matter what the comments are, he's going to face that every week with people chirping. That's not OK," Sumlin added, "and obviously I addressed that on the sideline after it happened."

Of course, that was also after Manziel had apparently mimicked signing an autograph after he got tackled and then pretended to count some cash after throwing a TD.

"If I'd seen that," Sumlin said about the "autograph" pantomime, "I'd have done something about it."

But like most coaches, Sumlin wasn't about to commit to anything until he had a chance to watch the film.

"And if that did happen," he added, "I will address that."

Sumlin better — and fast. Next up after Sam Houston on A&M's dance card is defending national champion Alabama, and you can bet Nick Saban has watched film of the Aggies' opener more than once already.

The Crimson Tide are still fuming over last year's upset — at their place no less — and being reduced to bit actors on the stage where the whole Johnny Football drama caught fire.

And don't think that Saban is beyond teaching the kid a lesson about how exhausting it is to be cast as the villain nearly every time out. Saban could give anyone who asked chapter and verse on the subject. The insatiable work ethic that marks his whole career is a testament to that. Despite three national titles, it still makes him chase each win more relentlessly than the last.

Manziel will turn 21 in December, but even judged by the most charitable standard, he's headed in the exact opposite direction. He's avoided real trouble so far, but his offseason yielded a steady stream of questionable choices and annoying distractions. When those things happen, the higher-ups in charge always say they need to get that ball-player back on the playing field, because that's their "office," the one place where they can get away from things that don't really matter.

Except it's not, at least not when Manziel is allowed to pull some of the same stupid pranks he did when no one was around to play grown-up. The referees will be watching him more closely and the teams he'll face will have had plenty of time to look at exactly what made Johnny run and pass so effectively the first time around. His opponents, too, have plenty more buttons to push.

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FROM WIRE REPORTS

To submit an item for West Texas Sports, please either fax, bring, mail or e-mail your information in handy-write to the Reporter-Telegram sports department.

Please make sure your item is as detailed as possible, including dates of events, deadlines, fees and phone no.

To view items in the MRT, send to 201 E. Illinois Ave., Midland, TX 79701, or e-mail your information to sports@mrt.com. For more information, call 687-7550.

Baseball

GCM Baseball Academy
What: Professional private baseball lessons & clinics covering pitching, hitting, catching and hitting provided by three former professional players.
For: Ages 7 & up.
Cost: Individual lessons: $65 an hour or $40 for 30 minutes. Bulk purchases & group lesson rates available on request.
For more info: Call 432- 425-8106.

Private batting and pitching instruction
For more info: Call Danny Jordan Jr. at 230-0796 for instruction on mechanics, drills, selection in a one-on-one setting.

Private hitting and catching instruction
For more info: Call Scott Engelman at 967-2964 for instruction in a one-on-one environment.

Pitching, hitting and fielding lessons
For more info: Call Midland High baseball coach Barry Russell at 296-1438.

Private Baseball/Softball lessons
For more info: Contact Extra Innings Midland/Odessa at (432) 617-4487 or visit www.extrainnings.mdlandodessa.com.

Midland Little League Umpires Needed
For more info: Contact 889-6080.

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.

Lunch break Pick-up Basketball
When: Noon-1 p.m. Monday-Friday.
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut Lane.
For more info: Call 413-0521.

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

Tae Kwon Do 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 570-8245, Brandi at 687-7059 or Elizabeth at 699-1658.

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 $1 and non-youth part- $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: Amos Energy's Fischer Community Room, 2934 E. Hwy 80, Midland (Hwy 80 and Midkiff Access).
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

Beach Body
When: 7-8 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
Note: Instructor is Tommy Hindman
For more info: Call 685-7355.

P-90X/Beach Body Fitness Club
When: 12-1 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
For more info: Call 685-7355.

Yoga
When: 5:30-6:30 p.m., Tuesdays & Thursdays
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
For more info: Call 685-7355.

Cardio/Core
When: 11 a.m., Tuesdays & Thursday
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

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.

Martial Arts

Aikido
When: Monday-Friday, 7 to 9 p.m., Saturdays, 12:30 p.m.
Note: Specializing in traditional Hombu style Aikido
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.
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-Kung Fu
For: Ages 3 and up
Where: 3205 Cuthbert
For more info: Contact Jason Matthews at 488-7467 or 689-8444.

Taekwondo
When: 6-7 p.m. Tuesday nights, Saturdays 10-11 a.m.
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.

Etiquette
When: 6-7 p.m. Tuesdays
Note: Instructors is Natalie Cargile
For more info: Call 685-7355.

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: 7 p.m., Sunday, Wednesday and Friday at Woofers & Tweeters; 7 p.m., Monday and Tuesday at The Detour. Players must be signed in by 6:45 p.m. each night.
For more info: Go to www.lonestarpokertour.net.

Professional Wrestling

Old School Wrestling School
What: Professional wrestling school for all ages.
Where: 404 E. 81st St., Odessa
When: 7-10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, 2-6 p.m. Sunday
Cost: $50 down, $35 a month
For more info: Call Fred, 770-7001, or Sam, 349-3055.

Rugby

Midland Mad Dog Rugby Club
What: Recruiting for 2012-13 season; no experience necessary.
For: Participants 16 years and older; need shorts, t-shirt or jersey, cleats or running shoes; watch.
When: Practice is 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.
For more info: Go to www.maddogrugby.com.

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 hailey@shawn@pbrunningclub.com.

Gazelles Training Group
When: 6 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
For more info: Call Popcorn Leonard at 512-762-1020 or 682-2988.

Martin County EMS Labor Day 4 mile Run/Walk
When: Monday, Sept. 2. Registration: 8 a.m. race begins: 9 a.m.
Where: 1102 Broadway, Stanton.
Cost: $20 prior to Aug. 30; $25 after Aug. 31 and on day of race.
For more info: Contact Bob Tevere at 661-8597 or Stacey Harris at 230-7228.

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 shooters. Mandatory safety meeting at 9:30 a.m.
Where: Timberline Ranch, adjacent to Lake 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 Get 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 238-6347 after 6:30 p.m.

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

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 634-8474 or visit www.facebook.com/pages/Midland-Texas-Mens-Fastpitch or wyofastpitch@gmail.com.

USA Softball Jr. Men's National Fastpitch Team looking for players
For: Boys players born between 1995 and 1998.
Note: No softball experience is needed.
For more info: Tim Lyon, USA Jr Men's National Team coach, 801-244-7477 or Dave Parker, West Texas Men's Fastpitch Association, 634-8474 or wyofastpitch@gmail.com.

Swimming

COM Pre-competitive swimming
Where: Mabee Aquatic Center
Cost: $49 per month
Prerequisite: Must be able to swim 25 yards of 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 Tom-ny 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.

COM Elite Dive Team
What: Highest level of COM diving. Concentrates on perfecting Olympic level skills, national and international travel.
For more info: 684-7755.

COM Competitive Swim Team
Who: Try out for COM Swim Team; tryouts available by appointment.
What: Emphasizes stroke correction and participation in local and out of town competitive meets.
For more info: 684-7755.

COM Adult Conditioning
What: Allows adult participation use of top quality lap pools and fitness room during specified hours.
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COM Water Walking Class
What: Unstructured, self-paced class.
For more info: Call Tommy McAlister at 684-7756.

COM Senior Fitness Class
Who: Senior citizens that need help with physical conditions resulting from injury, disease, chronic conditions, advanced age, etc.
For more info: Call Tommy McAlister at 684-7755.

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.

Bush Tennis Center Youth Clinics
What: Tennis clinics for beginners to advanced players ranging from preschoolers to high school seniors. Ages 3-5, balloon tennis, ages 6-8, Quick Start (red ball); ages 9-10, Quick Start (orange and green ball); ages 11-18, junior development; all levels of adult programs.
Where: Bush Tennis Center
For more info: Visit www.bushtenniscenter.com and click on "Programs & Events" or call 620-8180.

USTA Team Tennis Adult Leagues
When: Leagues run May through November
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
For more info: Sherry 620-8610 or Email www.midlandtennis@aol.com

WTTA/USPTA Junior Circuit
For: Boys and girls singles players, ages 10-18.
When: Sept. 18, Oct. 10
Register: By the Thursday before each event
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
For more info: Contact Lance or Kathy at 694-6321.

WTTA/USTA Junior Tennis League
For: Boys and girls ages 10-18.
When: 2-5 p.m. Sundays, beginning Sept. 8
Where: Ages 10 and under: Bush Tennis Center, Ages 12-18, Midland College Tennis Center
Deadline: Register by Sept. 1
For more info: Call 349-8922 or 694-6321 or email amraracquetshop@yahool.com or go to www.westtexastennis.com

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.
When: Sept. 14-15, Sept. 21-22, Nov. 16-17
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
Annual dues: $65 Adults, $30 Youths, $140 Families
Call: 687-4046 or 563-1333 to join.

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: 689-4340.

Walking

Midland Walkabout AWA 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 687-2588 or go to www.midlandwalkabout.org.

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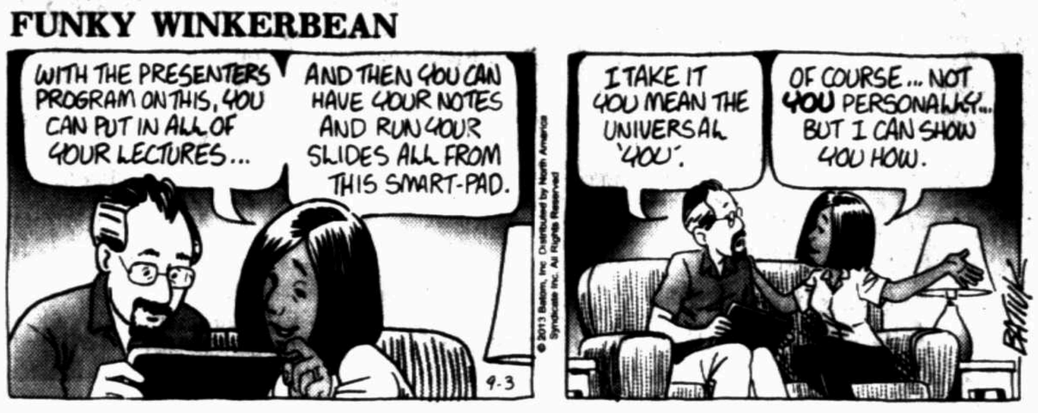

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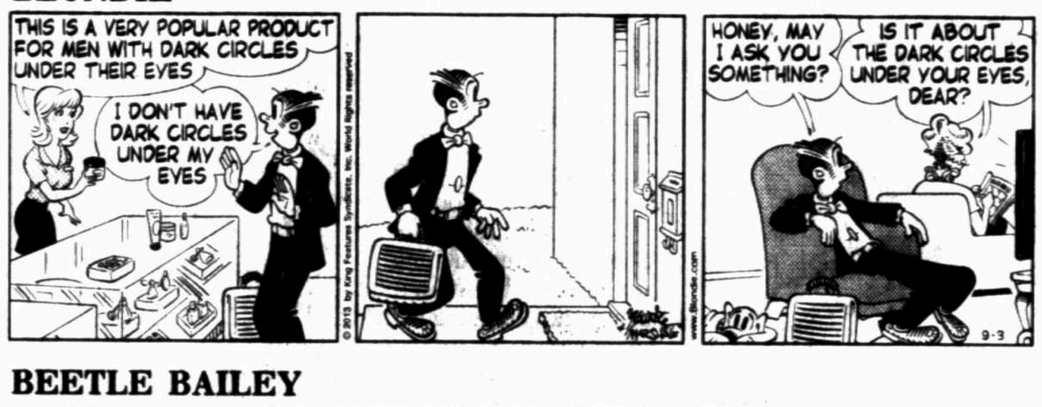

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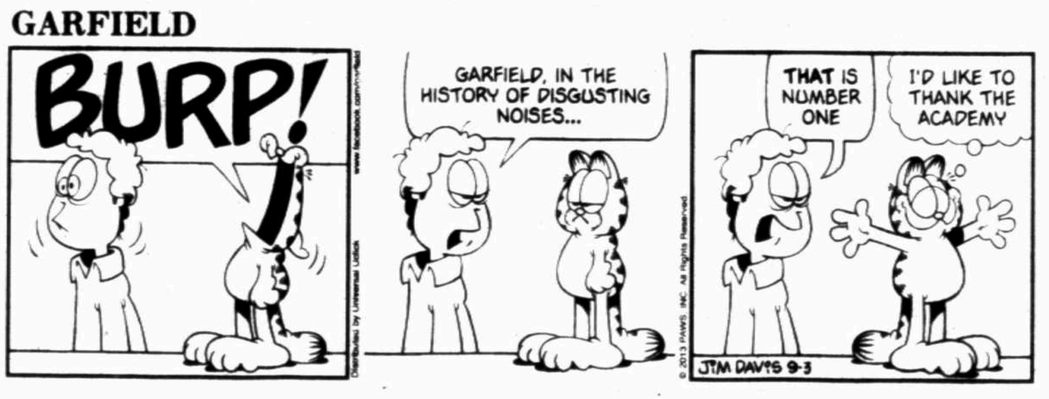

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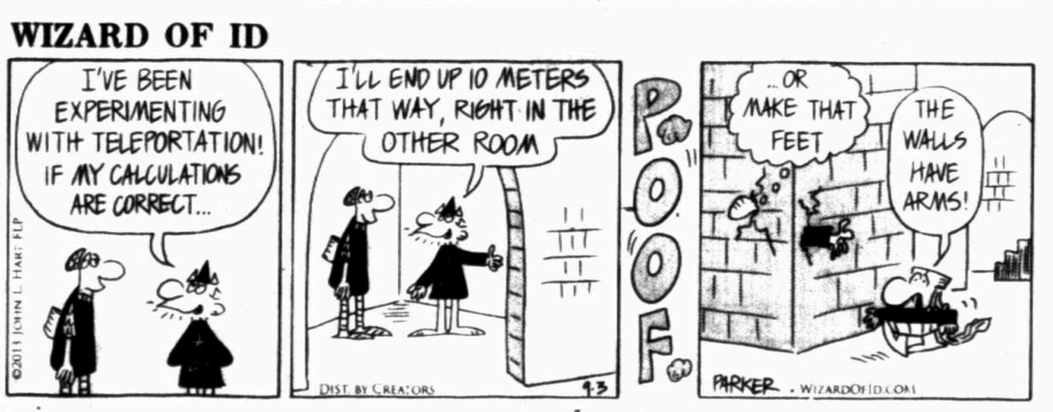

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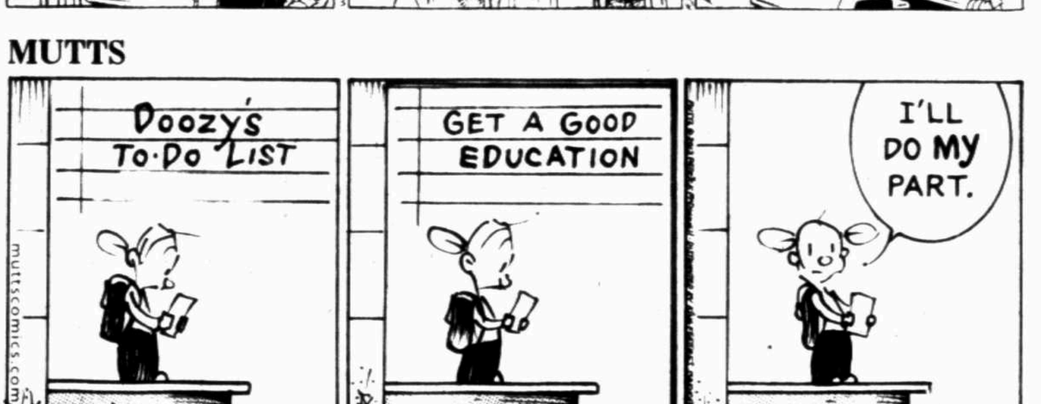

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Proposal packets are available and may be examined at the District's office at 400 E. 24th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720 or by calling the General Manager at 432-267-6341.

A pre proposal meeting will be held on Thursday, August 22, 2013, 1:30 PM at the District's office 400 E. 24th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720 to review the Request for Proposals. Attendance at this meeting is not required to submit a proposal and addendums to the RFP may be issued at a later date in response to questions asked at the meeting.

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2011 BMW X5 50i
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2013 BMW 335i Convertible
Jet Blk/Blk Conv, Prem, Nav, SaT, Though Loading System heated seats 4k miles, DEMO

2013 BMW 535i
Dark Graphite / Blk M sport , Tech, Prem heated , head up display, 6K miles, Service loaner

2013 BMW 526xi
Space Gray/Oyster Prem, Heated seats, rear view camera , Nav, 4k miles, Demo

2007 GMC Yukon
Gray/Blk Sat, Rear Seat Ent, 3rd row, 125k Super Clean

2012 BMW 535i
Space Gray/Oyster Prem sound, Sport , Prem. 11k miles, CPO

2012 Mercedes CLS550
Blk/Blk Harman Kardon, Nav, 20k miles

2012 BMW 328i Coupe
Mineral Wht/Oyster M sport , Prem., hi- fi, nav., 12k miles

2013 BMW 328i
Wht/Blk-Red Blk racing Stripe Sport line, Sport Trans, Nav, Heated seats, 3k miles, Lease

Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 38 Case No. 08-0284020
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Aug 12, 2013 Status/Permit No. 767341
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Sep 16, 2013
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 14, Blk. 36 T2S, T&P RR CO / HOUSTON, W Y Survey, A-1011, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, GLASSCOCK County, being 19 miles NW direction from GARDEN CITY, Texas.

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

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Sep 16, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO FILE A PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

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FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

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Lease/Unit Well No. :	1H	
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Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	100.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	193.0	
Lease Lines :	384.0 F North L,	810.0 F East L
Survey Lines :	384.0 F North L,	810.0 F East L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral : TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines : 200.0 F NORTH L
467.0 F EAST L

Terminus Location
BH County : GLASSCOCK
Section : 23 Block : 36 T2S Abstract : 385
Survey : T&P RR CO
Lease Lines : 100.0 F SOUTH L
467.0 F EAST L
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Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

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

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 9107 feet.

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

Legal & Public Notices

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M12448 ..... 10 BMW 5 SERIES G 5DR 535I GT $35,995

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U12490G ..... 05 BUIC LESABRE 4DR SDN CUSTOM WHITE $7,995

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U12552 ..... 12 CHEV AVALANCHE 2WD CREW CAB LS $28,981
U12555 ..... 10 CAMARO 2DR CPE 2SS BUMBLE BEE $30,881
U12550 ..... 11 CHEV CAMARO 2DR CONV 2SS RED $29,881
U12553 ..... 13 CHEV CAMARO 2DR CPE LT 1LT $26,881
2018TA ..... 12 CHEV CRUZE 4DR SDN LTZ BLACK $17,881
U12569 ..... 11 CHEV SILVERADO 2WD CREW CAB $22,881
U12510 ..... 12 CHEV SILVERADO 2WD CREW CAB $25,884
U12541 ..... 13 CHEV SILVERADO 4WD CREW CAB $30,881
U12522 ..... 07 CHEV TAHOE 2WD 4DR 1500 LTZ TAN $19,881
M12386A ..... 08 CHEV TAHOE 2WD 4DR 1500 LS WHITE $21,750
U12493 ..... 12 CHEV TAHOE 4WD 4DR 1500 LT WHITE $34,995

CHRYSLER
U12509A ..... 10 CHRY SEBRING 2DR CONV TOURING $11,500
U12564 ..... 12 CHRY 300 4DR SDN V6 LIMITED $22,881

FIAT
U12547 ..... 12 FIAT 500 2DR HB POP WHITE $14,881

FORD
U12566 ..... 13 FORD EDGE 4DR LIMITED FWD BLACK $27,781
U12531 ..... 13 FORD ESCAPE FWD 4DR SEL GREY $23,881
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U12527 ..... 07 FORD EXPEDITION 2WD 4DR LIMITED $16,881
U12563 ..... 10 FORD EXPLORER S RWD 4DR XLT SLER $19,981
U12558 ..... 09 FORD F-150 4WD SUPERCREW LARIAT $30,781
U12390B ..... 10 FORD F-150 2WD SUPERCREW XLT $20,888
U12512 ..... 12 FORD F-150 4WD SUPERCREW KING RANCH $38,885
U12534A ..... 12 FORD FOCUS 4DR SDN SE RED $14,881
U12562 ..... 12 FORD FOCUS 4DR SDN SEL RED $14,881
U12472 ..... 12 FORD FUSION 4DR SDN SEL FWD RED $16,795
U12529 ..... 09 FORD MUSTANG 2DR CONV GT SILVER $22,991
U12554 ..... 12 FORD MUSTANG 2DR CONV BLUE $19,881
U12525 ..... 11 FORD SUPER DUTY 4WD CREW CAB KING R $37,995

GMC
M2400MB ..... 11 GMC SIERRA 150 2WD EXT CAB $22,884
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M12412 ..... 12 HOND ACCORD SDN 4DR I4 AUTO SE $19,900
U12567 ..... 08 HOND PILOT 4WD 4DR EX-L W/NAVI $16,881

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U12528A ..... 05 HUMM H2 4DR WGN SUV GOLD $18,881

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U12560 ..... 11 JAGU XF 4DR SDN PREMIUM BLACK $37,981

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U12518 ..... 12 JEEP GRAND CHER 4WD 4DR LIMITED $31,995

MAZDA
U12548 ..... 10 MAZD CX-7 FWD 4DR I SPORT SILVE $14,995
U12489 ..... 12 MAZD CX-7 FWD 4DR I SPORT BLACK $19,884
U12533 ..... 12 MAZD CX-7 FWD 4DR I SPORT SILVE $19,881
U12565 ..... 11 MAZD CX-9 FWD 4DR TOURING GRAY $23,881
2430MA ..... 09 MAZD CX7 SILVER $9,995
U12520A ..... 10 MAZD CX9 WHITE $20,671
U12546 ..... 12 MAZD MAZDA3 4DR SDN AUTO I TOUR $16,881
M2389MA ..... 12 MAZD MAZDA3 5DR HB AUTO I TOURI $17,884
2007TA ..... 11 MAZD MZ3H BLACK 16771

MERCEDES
M12474 ..... 10 MERC E-CLASS 4DR SDN E350 LUXURY $34,884
U12519 ..... 11 MERC GLK-CLASS RWD 4DR GLK350 $29,995

NISSAN
M12443A ..... 08 NISS ALTIMA 4DR SDN I4 CVT 2.5 $9,995
2039TA ..... 08 NISS ALTIMA 4DR SDN I4 CVT 2.5 $9,995
M12449A ..... 10 NISS PATHFINDER 2WD 4DR V6 SE W $18,884
U12497 ..... 10 NISS TITAN 2WD KING CAB SWB SE $18,884

PONTIAC
U12513A ..... 07 PONT SOLSTICE 2DR CONVERTIBLE $11,881

RAM
U12462A ..... 03 DODG RAM 1500 2DR REG CAB $7,995
M12400A ..... 05 DODG RAM 1500 4DR QUAD CAB $13,880
U12478 ..... 08 DODG RAM 1500 2WD REG CAB $8,995
U12559 ..... 11 RAM 1500 4WD CREW CAB LONE STAR $28,881
U12540 ..... 13 RAM 1500 2WD QUAD CAB SLT $26,881
U12551 ..... 13 RAM 1500 4WD CREW CAB TRADESMAN $29,781

TOYOTA
2355MA ..... 04 TOYO CAMRY SOLA 2DR CPE SE V6 A $5,995
U12517 ..... 12 TOYO RAV4 4WD 4DR I4 WHITE $19,995
U12557 ..... 12 TOYO TUNDRA 4WD CREWMAX 5.7L $31,885
U12515 ..... 12 TOYO YARIS 4DR SDN AUTO SILVER $13,664
U12568 ..... 12 TOYO YARIS 4DR SDN AUTO WHITE $13,881

VOLKSWAGEN
2403MC ..... 04 VOLK NEW BEETLE 2DR CPE GL AUTO $6,884
U12549 ..... 13 VOLK TOUAREG 4DR V6 LUX WHITE $36,881

Ends Saturday, Sept. 7th, 2013. All Units Subject To Prior Sale. Tax, Title & License Extra. Financing With Approved Credit.

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ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

Accountant

Blue Streak Transportation, Inc. in Midland, TX is looking for an experienced accountant to manage all aspects related to its financial health. Responsibilities include Managing monthly close, entry of A/R, A/P, and Payroll. Oversee cash management, Monitor and participate in collections, Prepare monthly financial analysis for management, Prepare financial statements, budgets, and account reconciliations, Monitor fixed assets, File monthly tax reports, Oversee annual audits, Manage accounting department/employees. Requirements include a Bachelor's degree in Accounting, 5+ years of experience, Prior auditing experience a plus, Attention to detail, Problem solving skills, Excellent organizational skills, and a Positive attitude Salary DOE. Excellent Benefits. Please fax or email resume and cover letter to 432-563-1486 or michelle@bluestreaktrans.com

Accountant/Bookkeeper

Century Graphics is currently seeking an Accountant/Bookkeeper. Must be proficient in Quickbooks with good accounting knowledge. Must be organized with strong attention to detail, have good communication skills, and the flexibility to multitask in a fast paced environment. Degree is not necessary, but experience is required. Email your resume to laura@centurygs.com.

CORPORATE A/P ASSISTANT

Natural Gas Services Group FT

NGSG is immediatly seeking a full-time **CORPORATE A/P ASSISTANT.** Responsible for coding & entry of invoices, organizing check runs, distributing checks, filing checks in A/P files, reconciling statements & back-up receptionist. Familiarity with SYSPRO a plus. Must have 2 years + experience. Excellent Salary and Benefit package for the right person. For more information or to submit your resume contact employment@ngsgi.com or call (432) 262-2700.

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REVENUE CLERK

A publicly-traded oil and gas company in Midland, Texas, is seeking a revenue clerk with experience in the following areas: revenue booking, and filing. Excel proficiency a must, Horizon experience helpful. This position demands an energetic individual who is conscientious, accurate and reliable. We are an equal opportunity employer and offer competitive salary with an excellent benefits package. Non-smoking environment.

Please email resumes to hr@claytonwilliams.com or send to:
Attn: Personnel
Clayton Williams Energy, Inc.
6 Desta Drive, Suite 6500
Midland, Texas 79705
No agencies or phone calls please.

Staff Accountant

West Texas National Bank FT

West Texas National Bank, a friendly, locally owned bank has an opening for a Staff Accountant in our Midland Location. Qualified candidate will be responsible for daily reconciling the bank's Cash, Loans, Deposits, and other subsystems to the General Ledger, weekly cash reporting to the Federal Reserve, and monitoring of internal DDAs, monthly board reports, payment of sales and withholding taxes, and other duties as needed. Qualified candidate will be organized and detail oriented, possess good computer skills, especially Excel, 10-key by touch, and a bachelor's degree in accounting. Please send resumes to: resume@wtnb.com

AUTOMOTIVE

Parts Counter Help, Cashier, Sales Associate

Stanley Ford - Andrews FT

Stanley Ford - Andrews is currently seeking applicants for the following positions.

Parts Counter Help
Cashier
Sales Associate

While experience is preferred, we will consider training the right individual.

Benefits include:
Health Insurance
Paid Vacation

Qualified Candidates must be able to pass a Background Check as well as a Drug Screening.

Applications are available at:
1700 North US Highway 385
Andrews, Texas 79714

Please send resume and /or application to: Pat Plunkett via fax at: 432-524-9112 or via email at: pplunkett@stanleyautogroup.com.

Yard Foreman & Dispatchers FT&PT

Yard Foreman & Full time and part time dispatchers needed please submit resume to farrell@venturemud.com or come by 4605 Fielder St. Midland to fill out an application.

CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Natural Gas Service Group FT

NGSG, Inc. has an immediate opening for an **Administrative Assistant**. This position is responsible for office services and support by implementing administrative systems, contacting customer, contract review, procedures, and monitoring administrative projects. The ideal candidate must have 3 years + experience must be organize detail, outgoing, computer knowledgable and have excellent verbal communication. Excellent Salary and Benefit package for the right person. For more information or to submit your resume contact employment@ngsgi.com or call (432) 262-2700.

PART-TIME HR CLERK

Natural Gas Service Group PT

NGSG, Inc. has an opening for a **Part-Time HR Clerk** to work 10-15 hours a week. This position is responsible for the entry of new employees, payroll on a needed basis, filing, scanning and copying. The Ideal candidates will be success driven and be efficient in tasks as well as being highly detail oriented. Prior Human Resource and payroll experience would be a plus! For more information or to submit your resume contact employment@ngsgi.com or call (432) 262-2700.

EDUCATION & TRAINING

Child Caregiver

The Cottage of Mama Bears is looking for Child caregiver, above average hourly pay with quick advancement ability. Nights & weekends off! HS Diploma & background check. Call 432-684-8270 for interview.

CHILD CARE TEACHERS

Mrs. Irene's Child Care FT/PT

Child Care Teachers needed. Above average wages for Full and Part-time positions with some benefits. Call 432-520-8888.

ENERGY & UTILITIES

Entry Level Helper

Production Lift Systems FT

Local oilfield service company seeking Entry Level, Wireline and Swabbing Helpers. Full benefits. Must have a valid driving license and pass drug test. Apply at 14 East Industrial Loop, Midland, TX. 79701 or Call 432-699-1200

HEALTHCARE

Caregivers

HomeCare Plus

Now hiring for in home Caregivers to assist our private clients in their home. Do not apply if you can not pass drug and back ground check. Please contact, Karen Sell @ 432-570-7587 or come by 501 Andrews Hwy. in Midland.

HEALTHCARE

Certified Dental Assistant/Hygienist

Thomas Campagna, DMD FT/PT

We are looking for an exceptional, experienced, **Certified Dental Assistant,** one full time and one part time position, to join our team, at Midland's premier dental practice. We are also seeking 2 **Front Desk Receptionists** and a full time **Registered Dental Hygienist.** Please email: **info@smilemidland.com**, fax: **(432) 520-0720** or bring resume to: **3722 N. Loop 250, Midland, TX.**

Front Desk

West Texas Allergy FT

No phone calls please.

Insurance experience a plus, for busy office, Monday - thursday 8-6 Friday 8-1pm. Salary DOE. Health and Dental benefits. Fax resume to 432-682-1265

Mammography Technologist

Reeves County Hospital District FT

Openings for the following: Ma..ography Technologist.

Must have Associates degree and AART or equivalent with an associates degree or higher. Benefits to include Retirement with TCDRS, Vacation/Sick Time. Apply in person at: Human Resources Department, Reeves County Hospital District, 2323 Texas Street, Pecos, TX 79772, online at: reevescountyhospital.com or call: (432) 447-3551 ext. 6601. EOE

Optician

Phillips Eye Clinic FT

4311 W. Wadley Ave. **Midland, TX 79707**

Experienced preferred but not required. Please apply in person.

MARKETING

Web Site & Marketing Specialist

Century Graphics & Sign is currently seeking a full time Web Site & Marketing Specialist to join our team. Will have overall responsibility for working on a variety of projects primarily nvolved in web site design and development. Responsible for designing the user interface and overall customer experience for our web sites and applications. This includes overall navigation flow, layout of specific pages, and creation of individual graphic elements. Must be able to plan, develop and implement cost-effective marketing communications activity. This is a role where the primary aim is to generate leads through direct marketing campaigns and events, and through effective campaign management track the productivity to their conclusion. Will also be cross trained as graphic artist. Knowledge of Illustrator, Photoshop and InDesign is preferred. Send resumes to luzi@centurygs.com. No phone calls, please.

OTHER JOBS

All Positions

QSN Realty: Restaurant Staff all positions. Bartender, Waitstaff, Office Managers, HVAC Tech. Please apply in person at 3100 W. Wall.

Available Positions

QSN Realty: Maintenance Tech & HVAC Tech.
Please apply in person at 5010 W. Loop 250 N.

DME Technician

Hospice of Midland FT

Midland, TX 79701

Hospice of Midland now hiring Full-time DME. Technician for delivery of equipment in the Midland/Odessa area. Benefits, paid vacation & paid holidays available. Some on-call duites required. Competitive pay & regular hours. Call 432-682-2855 for information or apply at: 911 West Texas Ave, Midland, Monday-Friday.

Fabricators/Installers

Accent Granite & Marble FT

Now hiring Fabricators/Installers. Tile/Carpentry experience a plus. Apply with in 4309 SCR 1290 (Coors Rd.), Odessa, TX 79765. 563-8004 accentgranitemidland.com

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Class A CDL Delivery Truck Driver
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Qualified applicants must have excellent customer service skills and knowledge of lumber and building supplies.

Apply at: http://www.mccoys.com/why-mccoys/careers
Please no calls to the store.

Applicant must be at least 18 years of age to work in the yard. To drive for McCoy's, Applicants must meet McCoy's driver eligibility guidelines and be at least 23 years of age.
(Competitive Wages)
[1]Drug Screens and Background Checks Required
EOE, AAP, D, F, VA

NOW HIRING!!!

Fiddlesticks Farms is looking for help on fall weekdays to work with school field trip students & teachers. This is a perfect opportunity for stay at home moms/dads or college students who are wanting to make a little extra money for Christmas! Our field trips are Tuesday- Friday in October and November from 8:30a- 2:00p! Please call (432)687-6293 for more details!!! The application can also be found on our website: **www.fiddlesticksfarms.com/about-us/work-at-the-farm**

Now hiring

Healthcare Services Group, Inc. FT

Rapidly growing management company is seeking Housekeepers, Floor Techs, and Manager's. Manager based salary is $30k plus. Previous experience is a plus. Please apply at the facility: 3000 Mockingbird Lane, Midland, TX. 76904.

Now Hiring

Property Management Company looking for Full Time Assistant Maintenance and Activity Director for Midland/Odessa properties. Sign on bonus! Pay DOE and Benefits available. Please apply in person at 1701 N Fairgrounds Rd in Midland.

Resident Monitor & Cook

Dismas Charities FT/PT

Midland, TX 79701

Dismas Charities is hiring Full, Part-time & relief staff for the positions of Resident Monitor & Cook. Apply online at: www.dismas.com
Walk-in applicants are welcome at: 24 W. Industrial Loop.

OTHER JOBS

Sales/Warehouse Help

Outside sales, Counter sales and Warehouse help. Apply at Midland Winlectric, 3606 Bankhead Hwy., Midland, TX 79701.

Sandblaster and Coaters

C&C Coating FT

Apply in person at 2908 North County Road 1150, Midland, TX. 79705.

Warehouse Manager

Natural Gas Service Group FT

NGSG, Inc. has an immediate opening for a **Warehouse Manager.** This position is responsible for materials, equipment, and supplies by directing, receiving, warehousing, inventory control, budget, distribution services and supervising staff. The ideal candidate must have the 5 years + as Warehouse Manager Excellent Salary and Benefit package for the right person. For more information or to submit your resume contact employment@ngsgi.com or call (432) 262-2700.

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

Available Positions

Marriott/Hilton now hiring top talent for Front Desk, Maintenance, and Restaurant positions. Apply at Courtyard by Marriott, 1505 Trade winds Blvd. Fax 432-689-9401, Email: Clint.Friddle@platinumcos.com. Great pay and flex schedule.

Bartender, Wait Staff, Busser, Dish Washer

Wall Street Bar & Grill FT

NOW Hiring, Bartenders, Wait Staff, Bussers and Dish Washer. Apply in person: 115 E. Wall St., Midland or call 432-684-8686.

Dining Services Staff

Midland's Premier Country Club FT

Is looking for **Line/Prep Cooks.** *We hire attitude and personality over experience.* Position is full-time. In addition to competitive wages we offer paid medical and 401k. Please apply in person: Midland Country Club, 6101 N. Hwy 349, Midland, TX 79705.

Dishwashers, Cooks, Bussers

The Garlic Press FT

Midland, TX 79705

The Garlic Press is hiring for Dishwashers, Cooks, Bussers. Apply in person at: Oakridge Square, Wadley/Garfield, between 11am-2pm or 5:30pm-7pm.

DOMINO'S PIZZA NOW HIRING!

•Drivers: Make cash everyday. Great part time & full time shifts. Starting wage of $7.50 an hour (no split tip/wage here) plus delivery reimbursement, plus tips. **•CSRs:** Great part time & full time shifts, Starting wage of $8.25 an hour, Bright & Friendly people only! **•Shift Leaders:** Great part time & full time shifts, Starting wage of $10 an hour, Flexible Schedules. **Apply at any Domino's Pizza** Midland or Odessa or send resume: **cassie@clearwire.net**. Senior citizens & stay at home moms always welcome. EOE

Outside Service Staff

Green Tree Country Club is seeking individuals for our Outside Services Staff. Pay starts at $11/hour plus tips. Morning and Evening Shifts Available. Meals and uniforms provided. Apply in person 4900 Green Tree Blvd Midland, Texas 79707.

RETAIL JOBS

Retail Associate

CeCe's Adornment FT/PT

Cece's Adornments (Women's apparel & accessories) is seeking a part/full time employee. Please apply at 4100 West Loop 250 North inside of Chelsea Rae's.

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Professional Sales Assistant

Confidential Employer

Seeking Professional Sales Assistant. Must pass pre-employment drug screen and valid driver license. 401K Available after 1 year, Medical and Dental benefits after 90 days. Resumes to PO Box 1120 Lamesa, Tx 9331

Sales-Oil & Gas

Sierra Chemicals is a fast growing industrial plant maintenance company serving the central and western United States. We are currently looking for a qualified and highly motivated sales professional to maintain and grow our existing sales territory in west Texas and east New Mexico area.
-Profitable, Proven Territory
-Fortune 500 Customers
-Proven Products and Services with a Long Track Record
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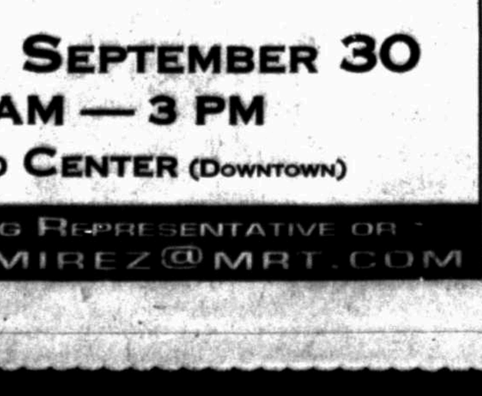

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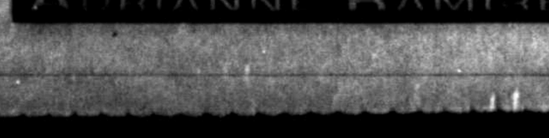

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Ferguson Enterprises FT
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TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

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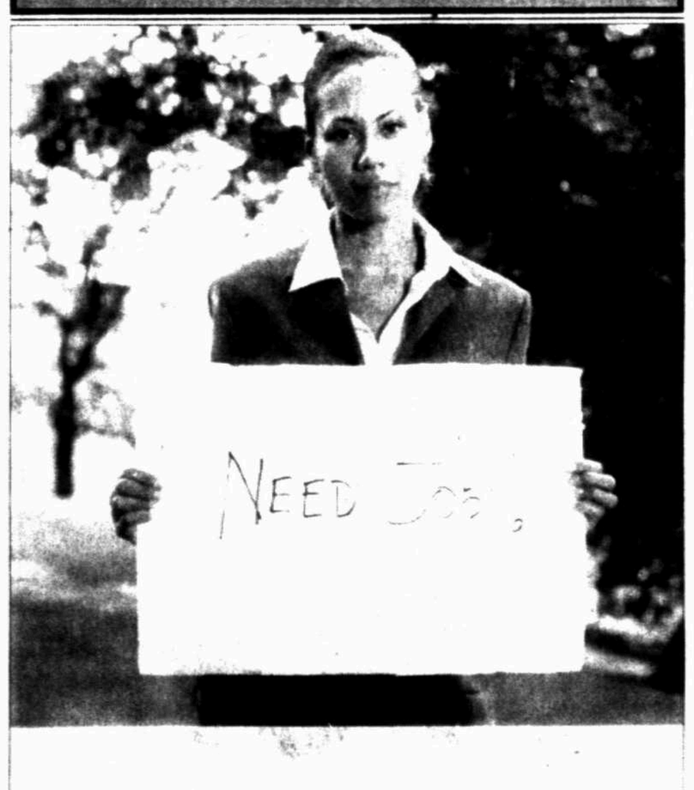

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Motorcycles

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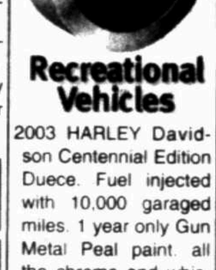
RANGER 2002 Bass Boat 150 Yamaha, nice boat. $10,000. Call 432-557-7674



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BY OWNER, 4 bedroom 3 1/2 bath, study, 3 car garage with one car garage - workshop, pool, granite, oversize lot with water well. $439,000. 3303 Trinity Meadows Dr 349-3131/853-4357 Realtors Welcome

Homes for Sale

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This undated photo provided by the Smithsonian Institution shows an olinguito. The Smithsonian announced Aug. 15 that it has discovered that the mammal, which it had previously mistaken for an olingo, is actually a distinct species. The olinguito belongs to the grouping of large creatures that includes dogs, cats and bears. The raccoon-sized critters leap through the trees of the cloud forests of Ecuador and Colombia at night, according to a Smithsonian researcher who has spent the past decade tracking them.

NEW MAMMAL

New mammal species found 'in plain sight'

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WASHINGTON —

Imagine a mini-raccoon with a teddy bear face that is so cute it's hard to resist, let alone overlook. But somehow science did — until now.

Researchers announced Thursday a rare discovery of a new species of mammal called the olinguito. The reddish-brown animal is about 14-inches long with an equally long tail and weighs about 2 pounds.

It belongs to a grouping of large creatures that include dogs, cats and bears.

The critter leaps through the trees of mountainous forests of Ecuador and Colombia at night, according to a Smithsonian researcher who has spent the past decade tracking them.

But the adorable olinguito (oh-lihn-GEE'-toe) shouldn't have been so hard to find. One of them once lived in the Smithsonian-run National Zoo in Washington for a year in a case of mistaken identity.

"It's been kind of hiding in plain sight for a long time" despite its extraordinary beauty, said Kristofer Helgen, the Smithsonian's curator of mammals.

The little zoo critter, named Ringerl, was mistaken for a sister species, the olingo. Before she died in 1976, Ringerl was shipped from zoo to zoo in Louisville, Ky., Tucson, Ariz., Salt Lake City, Washington and New York City to try to get it to breed with other olingos.

She wouldn't.

"It turns out she wasn't fussy," Helgen said. "She wasn't the right species."

The discovery is described in a study in the journal ZooKey.

Helgen first figured olinguitos were different from olingos when he was looking at pelts and skeletons in a museum. He later led a team to South America in 2006.

"When we went to the field we found it in the very first night," said study co-author Roland Kays of the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences. "It was almost like it was waiting for us."

It's hard to figure how olingos and olinguitos were confused for each other.

"How is it different? In almost every way that you can look at it," Helgen said.

Olinguitos are smaller, have shorter tails, a rounder face, tinier ears and darker bushier fur, he said.

"It looks kind of like a fuzzball ... kind of like a cross between a teddy bear and a house cat," Helgen said.

It eats fruit and has one baby at a time. Helgen figures there are thousands of olinguitos in the mountainous forest, traveling through the trees at night which makes them hard to see.

While new species are found regularly, usually they are tiny things like insects and not mammals, the warm-blooded advanced class of animals that have hair, live births and mammary glands in females.

Outside experts said this discovery is not merely renaming something, but a genuine new species — with three new subspecies. It's the type of significant find that hasn't happened in the Americas for about 35 years.

"Most people believe there are no new species to discover, particularly of relatively large charismatic animals," said Case Western Reserve University anatomy professor Darin Croft. "This study demonstrates that this is clearly not the case."

The olinguito is the smallest member of the raccoon family of mammals.

The researchers only saw olinguitos in Ecuador and Colombia, but they said they could also be living in parts of Panama, Costa Rica, Venezuela, Brazil, Peru, and Guyana, based on their cloud forest habitat.

The olingo is also native to Central and South America.

The North Carolina museum is already selling olinguito stuffed animals for about $15. Proceeds will benefit habitat preservation for the creatures.

Programmers constantly making browser improvements

Dear PropellerHeads: How do I get Firefox to stop bugging me about updates?

A: Boo hoo! My free web browser, which gives me instant access to the entirety of the world's information, keeps getting better and better so fast that I have to stop looking at cat pictures for two whole minutes every week so I can restart it to get the latest updates! What did I do to deserve this?

It's fortunate for civilization that the Firefox programmers — as well as Henry Ford, Jonas Salk, and Thomas Crapper — did not "take a break" while the general population got comfortable with their horse-drawn carriages, polio and outhouses. We remember a time when the hot new browser feature was displaying images.

So what are the programmers of Chrome (at Google), Firefox (at Mozilla), Internet Explorer (at Microsoft), Opera (at Opera), and Safari (at Apple) cooking up these days? Holographic profile pictures? Smell-o-vision for the web? Not quite, but give them a few years.

The latest advances in browsers have come on two fronts. First, they have been moving into the browser features that once required Flash or other plug-ins. Second, they have added mobile-specific features.

It was once the case that anything remotely cool on the web required a browser plug-in called "Flash," but that's changing. Apple blocked Flash from running on iPhones (read http://bit.ly/13xYK9H for Steve Jobs' reasoning), and Adobe (makers of Flash) cut back on their Android support in 2012. Because of this, Flash does not work on many tablets and newer phones. By adding built-in support for animation, audio/video playback and full-screen viewing, browser makers are ensuring that future devices — ones that will not support Flash — will still sport these features.

Mozilla, Google and the gang aren't stopping there. Their latest products cannot just play back audio files, but can even synthesize sounds and process audio data. Remember those trippy audio visualizations in WinAmp from the 90s? Visit http://bit.ly/13XRWW2 in Firefox to relive the good ol' days, or create your own instrument sounds in Chrome at tonehack.com.

Web Graphics Library ("WebGL") allows 3D graphical worlds to be created directly in a browser. Visit FindYourWayToOz.com for game-quality graphics displayed in a page with no plug-ins. Some browsers now detect input from gamepad controllers, meaning we'll see more in-browser games soon.

It's not all fun and games. WebRTC ("Real-Time Communications") makes it possible to join video conferences from directly within Chrome or Firefox — no additional downloads or software required. Among other things, this means that web page authors can now access your computer's microphone and webcam (but only if you give them permission, of course). Check out http://bit.ly/12XuyoW and webcamtoy.com for some examples. Web programmers have even combined webcam access with motion detection to simulate Microsoft Kinect-style games.

Less flashy (pun intended) are the behind-the-scenes technologies that have been improved. Drag-and-drop support lets you attach documents to emails or upload photos more easily. Built-in databases, file access, and caching let you work with documents even when you're offline.

We PropellerHeads have access to improved tools for debugging, speeding up and enhancing those sites we build for you when we're not "taking a break." Again, we are sooo sorry you have to restart your browser to get these improvements.

Standardization is still underway, meaning some browsers don't support these new features yet, but that will change soon. Opera, Chrome, and Safari are pushing mobile browsers forward. Firefox is a leader in standardization and Microsoft has announced support for many of these technologies in Internet Explorer 11.

Until then, head over to ChromeExperiments.com in Chrome or http://mzl.la/15ASjBw in Firefox for demos.

And if you must, turn off automatic updates in Firefox under "Options > Advanced > Update." Then we won't bother you any more with our pesky march of progress.

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