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Centers meant to make voting simpler

Voters on Tuesday can cast ballot at any of 10 locations

By Kathleen Thurber
Staff Writer

During Tuesday's general election, there's no wrong place for Midlanders to vote.

With the creation of 10 Election Day voting centers set up around Midland, registered voters will be able to cast their ballot at any of those locations. Typically, those voting on Election Day have to sign in at their assigned precinct polling location.

"It will be more cost-effective and definitely more convenient for voters," said Ruth Sloan, Midland County Elections administrator.

In July, county commissioners granted the Midland County Elections Office permission to petition the Secretary of State's Office to use voting centers as part of a pilot implementation approved by the Legislature.

If the initiative proves successful, Sloan said the county can seek approval from the state to implement the centers on a more permanent basis.

"This kind of gives us the chance to see if the vote centers really work," she said.

Sloan said voting centers eventually would require fewer volunteers than precinct polling places. The format also allows voters flexibility because a Greenwood resident who works in downtown Midland could vote at the Cogdell Learning Center on their lunch break rather than having to go all the

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Election Day vote centers

Cogdell Learning Center, 201 W. Florida Ave. (EZ)
County Annex, 2110 North "A" St. (EZ)
Fairmont Park Church of Christ, 3813 N. Midland Drive (EZ)
Greenwood ISD, 2700 Farm-to-Market Road 1379
Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 5110 N. Garfield St.
Manor Park, 5212 Sinclair Ave. (EZ)
Martin Luther King Jr. Center, 2300 Butternut Lane (EZ)
Odessa Country Club, No. 1 Fairway Drive
Palmer Drug Abuse Program, 1208 W. Wall St. (EZ)
St. Paul United Methodist Church, 4501 Thomason Drive (EZ)
*EZ designates vote center along the EZ Rider bus route
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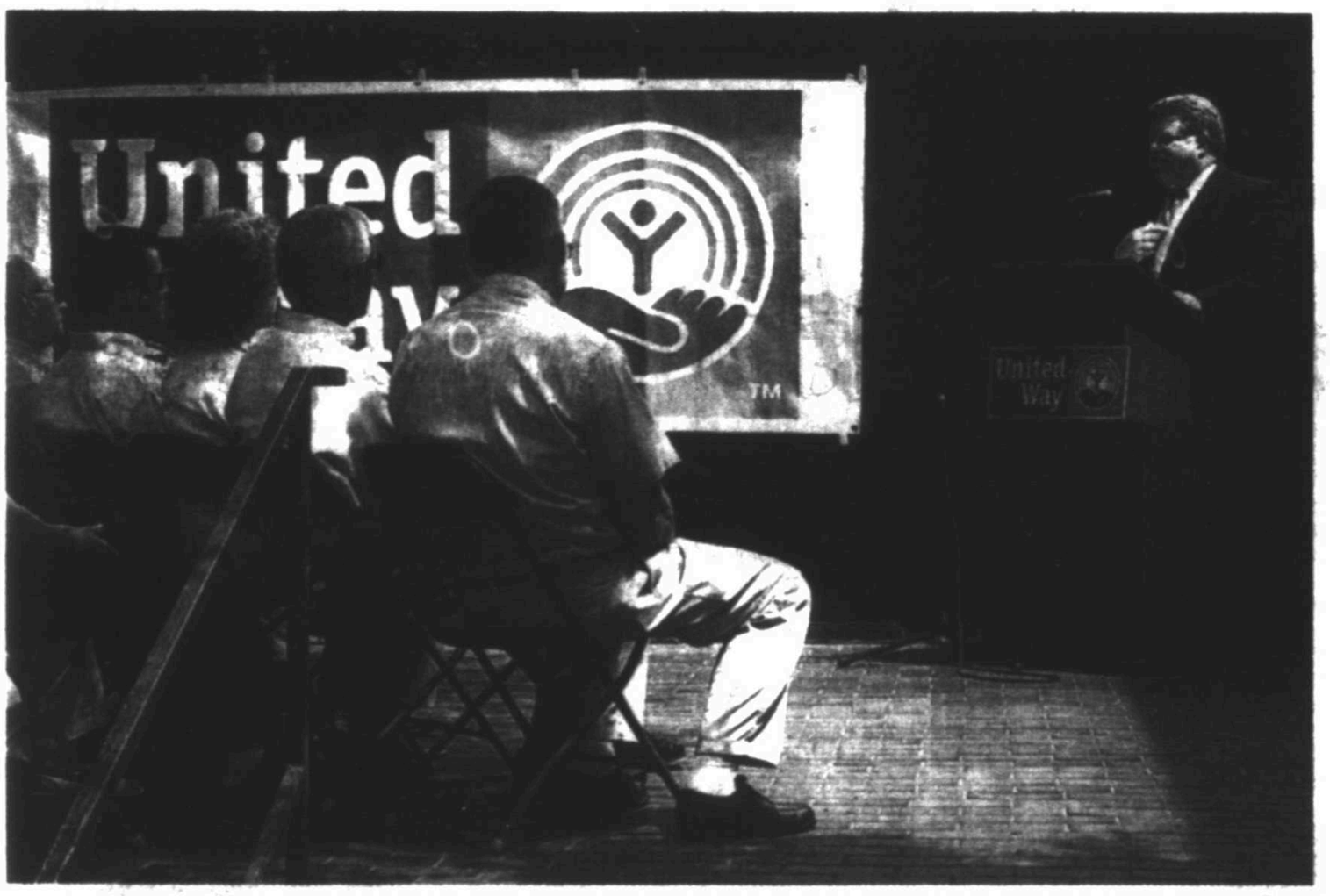
A profile of Frank Stowers, volunteer



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Frank Stowers is a school, MISD Education Foundation and community volunteer.

Volunteer extraordinaire makes impact in community

***Submitted by Jamie Owen**, Midland ISD Educational Foundation*

No job is too small or too big for Frank Stowers when it comes to volunteering. Whether it is presiding over the United Way's annual campaign or selling "silly bracelets" for the Lee High School thespians — Frank does it all. And he does it with a smile and a spirit that is contagious.

The United Way of Midland has been the beneficiary of Frank's volunteer spirit for the last 30 years. As campaign chair in 2005, the United Way raised $3.226 million and set a stretch goal that raised more than ever — funding 60 programs through 24 program providers (in 2004 the amount raised was $3.1 million; in 2006 the amount raised was $3.20 million). Midland's United Way campaign giving is higher than comparable cities of populations and income in the United States.

Frank served 18 months as the president of the Midland ISD Education Foundation to even-out the terms of service; he greeted our new superintendent and led the board during five major fundraisers. Frank's devotion to education is apparent — he and wife, Kim, volunteer in the schools and are as involved as their two girls. Frank recently worked all three days of Muster at Lee High school — outside ... in 100-plus degrees. How many can say that?

DIFFERENCE MAKERS

Every day, often out of the limelight, people are making a difference in our community.

Difference Makers is a bi-weekly profile written by reporters that acknowledges those who work to make the Permian Basin a better place.

If you would like to profile a Difference Maker, please contact Editor Stewart Doreen at 687-8856 or send a submission to sdoreen@mrt.com. Please keep submissions to no longer than 500 words.

It is people like Frank Stowers who help our schools and booster clubs flourish — helping students enjoy opportunities and secure the equipment they need. When the Education Foundation funded the first district-wide musical, "Annie Get Your Gun," Frank worked to raised additional funds to make it a stellar production and experience for the students from across the district. That epitomizes Frank Stowers — going above and beyond what is needed and required.

Other groups that have benefited from Frank's fundraising skills are:

- Centers for Children and Families — solicit sponsors for annual banquet;
- American Cancer Roundup — selling sponsorships for annual fundraiser;
- LHS Theatre Booster Club — second-year treasurer;
- Hi-Sky Emmaus — board member, Community Lay directory, treasurer;
- Buffalo Trail Council of Boy Scouts of America — served as treasurer and currently serves on the board.

Texas Capital Bank's Energy Division recently expanded into Midland with the hiring of energy banking expert Frank Stowers. Stowers joins Texas Capital Bank as a senior vice president. His area of responsibility is energy lending for West Texas/Permian Basin. Before that, he was the credit director and senior vice president for Citibank in Midland. Stowers also has served as market president for Citibank's Midland/Odessa market.

Frank, his wife, Kim, and two daughters attend St. Luke's United Methodist Church, where he has held (and currently holds) numerous leadership positions.

Frank moved to Midland in June of 1981 after graduating from Southwestern University in Georgetown. It was a very good day when Frank Stowers moved to Midland.

Blog casts critical eye toward MDC

Editor's Note: On Sunday, the Reporter-Telegram started its look at the 10 years since the passing of an economic development sales tax in Midland. Today, we continue that special report.

By Kathleen Thurber
Staff Writer

Even from the start, the Midland Development Corp. and the idea of a 4A sales tax were not without critics.

Bloggers have been among those to publicly critique the MDC over the last decade — both for some of the deals it's made and for its creation that some say goes against the fiscally conservative policies Midlanders claim to espouse.

The MDC countered blogs with its own online updates in recent years. Consultants suggested in 2007 the MDC work to keep the public informed and add news about positive dealings through its own websites.

Doug Heck, site administrator for blog Jessica's Well, said for him it's never been anything personal against those involved with the MDC. Instead, he believed from the start local government shouldn't incentivize the private market. With a board that has to make decisions about companies in industries that are not necessarily in their area of expertise, Heck said the recipe for success simply isn't there in the format under which 4A tax systems operate.

"They're good guys, they're smart guys," he said, of the MDC and its boards. "They're not failing because they're doing it wrong. They're failing because they can't do it right. It's not in the cards for that type of structure to do this right. That's what the market is for."

James Busby, who became a contributor to Jessica's Well in 2006 under the name of "Ospurt," said he started blogging to be a neutral provider of information. When the 4A tax was considered in 2001, he voted for it believing Midland needed to pursue economic development in the same way many of its competitors were.

"I was looking at it like every other Midlander in the beginning — with hope," Busby said. "Then there were no results."

Both men said in their postings they generally worked simply to follow the MDC's activity. Part of Busby's agitation came in realizing the structure makes it so the MDC doesn't have to disclose who it's working with if a deal never comes to fruition.

Some of the blogs' most significant postings came when the Midland City Council was preparing to consider an economic development agreement worth nearly $23 million between the MDC and Dean Baldwin Aircraft Painting LP.

Whether because of the blog or because of a number of other reasons, the deal was supported by only one council member and the company

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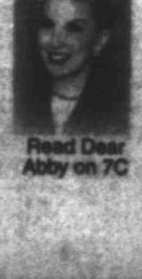

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Mitt Romney vs. Rick Perry
These days, Rick Perry doesn't even bother to hide his contempt for Republican presidential rival Mitt Romney. NATION/4A

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Obituaries

Ethel Daphne "Daffy" Tabor

On November 4, 2011, Daffy Tabor took up residence in heaven to lead the angels in song. She celebrated her 79th birthday at the Hospice House in Odessa among friends and family. Daffy was born on November 4, 1932 in Eden, Texas to Frankie Lee Heairren and Charles Edwin Tabor. Ed passed away when Daffy was about four years old, and Frankie Lee then remarried Orbie Lee Heairren. Daffy attended Midland High School and graduated from Baylor University in 1955 with a BA in Sociology and a minor in Education. While at Baylor University on scholarship, Daffy received the honor of Most Representative Girl.

After graduating from Baylor, Daffy applied to and was selected as Midland's Ambassador to the Experiment in International Living program. Daffy spent a summer living in Turkey and returned to the area to share her experiences with local youth. After teaching third grade for a year in Midland, Daffy began working for Permian Basin Girl Scouts as the District Director. Daffy's work with the Girl Scouts began a life full of service and leadership. During her years with Permian Basin Girl Scouts, she directed numerous programs, trained troop leaders and Girl Scouts, and directed the summer programs at Mitre Peak Girl Scout Camp outside of Ft. Davis, Texas. While Daffy was serving as Camp Director, Girl Scout National Headquarters (GSUSA) selected Mitre Peak to produce a film introducing the Cadet level of scouting. The GSUSA Program Director was so impressed with Daffy's efforts that she asked her to fly to New York for an interview. Daffy was immediately hired as a Camping Specialist in the Program Department at GSUSA. She moved to New York City and after her stint as a Program Director, she was recruited by the administration to lead the Pied Piper Project at national headquarters. In this post, Daffy traveled all over the United States performing alongside Debbie Reynolds (the celebrity spokesperson for the Girl Scouts and the Piper Project) at rallies, workshops, and major events (1963-1970).

In 1973, Daffy moved to Scottsdale, Arizona to enter private business. After a short stint in the corporate world, Daffy returned to her true calling - Girl Scouting - when she went to work for the Cactus-Pine Girl Scout Council as Community Relations Director handling all marketing and publishing (1973-1979). When the council reorganized, Daffy relocated to Phoenix where she once again found her niche working with kids. There, Daffy instituted an informal outreach program with the neighborhood children. The Phoenix newspaper dubbed this service to youth as "The Porch Kids." Daffy also worked for the Arizona Museum of History where her impact on children was further extended through her traveling trunk shows which provided engaging, hands-on learning experiences.

Family bonds were important to Daffy. She had a very close relationship with her sisters LaMoyne Bass (deceased), Agatha Culpepper, and VonDean Lawson. In 2001, Daffy moved to Andrews, Texas to be closer to her sisters. Daffy has touched so many lives and has been a powerful influence on young people across the nation, including her nieces and nephews: Vance & Margo Milleret-Bass, Michael "Cullie" & Robyn Culpepper, Gregg & Donna Bass, Gloria & Tom LeBleu, Scott & Kim Bass, Jennifer & Phillip Coleman, Reed Bass, Sandy Culpepper, Linda & Brad Avery, 18 great nieces and nephews, and 10 great-great nieces and nephews.

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Karen Rae Miller

Karen Rae Miller, 48, of Oak Island, North Carolina, passed away October 24, 2011. Karen was born October 12, 1963 in Midland, Texas, the daughter of Floyd Ray Miller and the late JoAnn Burtscher Miller.

Karen was so proud of her son who is serving in the military. Everyone in Oak Island knew him from their conversations with Karen. She loved animals and had a talent for communicating and training dogs. She also loved children and had a very special relationship with them. Karen lived very close to the ocean in Oak Island and enjoyed going down to the pier to fish or just watch the waves and the tide come in.

Karen is survived by her son, Damon Ray Darnell who is serving in the Air Force in San Antonio, Texas; her father, Floyd Ray Miller and wife Doris of Midland, Texas; two brothers, Kirk Miller and wife, Sandra of Denver, Colorado and David Colley and wife, Terrie of Red Oak, Texas; two sisters, Terri Vinson of Dallas, Texas and Jaci Sandelin of Lubbock, Texas; Uncle Jerry Miller and wife, Mary; of Beavercreek, Ohio; Uncle John Burtscher of Havelock, North Carolina and numerous cousins, nephews and nieces.

A memorial service was held on Oak Island on Friday, October 28, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. near the ocean with Rev. Anthony Buntya officiating.

Each person attending released a colorful balloon and watched as it floated out over the ocean.

Memorials may be made to First Christian Church, 1301 West Louisiana, Midland, TX 79701, if you wish.

Lucille Driscoll Nobles

Lucille Driscoll Nobles, the eldest child of Thomas and Blanche Driscoll, was born November 13, 1919, in Petersburg, Virginia. She passed away November 4, 2011, at Midland Memorial Hospital. Services will be held 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 8, 2011, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

The family will receive guests on Monday, November 7, 2011, between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland.

Lucille was preceded in death by her husband, John O. Nobles, Jr.; her parents; one brother, Thomas Denike Driscoll, Jr.; two sisters, Mary Baicy and Kathleen Thornton; and one grandchild, Christina Suzanne Kudla.

She is survived by her sisters, Doris Garst (Paul) of Roanoke, Virginia and Charlotte Marks of Petersburg, Virginia.

As a young woman, Lucille worked for Colonel Ayres in the U.S. Army located in Goldsboro, North Carolina. It was there she met John O. Nobles, Jr. and they were married May 13, 1944. They remained there until World War II was over. After a move to Midland in 1945, she was a housewife and mother of four children.

Lucille is survived by her son, John O. Nobles, III and wife Sandi of Midland; daughters, Doris Nobles Braun and husband John C. Braun of Midland and Virginia Nobles Kudla and husband Mitchell Alan Kudla of Boerne, Texas; and son Fred Thomas Nobles and wife Angela of Midland; eight grandchildren, Lynne Nobles, John C. Braun, Jr., Elizabeth Braun, Matthew Nobles, Erin Sherman, Jennifer Bland, Adrian Mertz, and Brittain Sherrill; and twelve great grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be John C. Braun, Jr., Matthew Nobles, Jay Sherrill, Chris Mertz, Jonathan Bland, and Ian Sherman.

The family wishes to thank Dr. Gregory Bartha, Dr. Russell Van Husen, Dr. Russell Akin and the staff at Hospice of Midland Memorial Hospital for their kind care. They would also like to thank Shirley Pyle; Betty Butts; Heather Richardson, owner of Poppy Flowers; and the kind, compassionate, dedicated sitters, Robin Fly, Gena Seigman, Cheyrice Wright, and Diana Ontiveros.

Words cannot express the sincere thanks and gratitude to Jean Ratliff Robertson for all the years of service she has given the Nobles family.

Memorials may be directed to the Haley Memorial Library and History Center, 1805 West Indiana, Midland, Texas 79701, Hospice of Midland, P O Box 2621, Midland, Texas 79702, or to a charity of choice.

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

Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory (432) 520-5800

Rowena Laughlin

Rowena Laughlin, 94, of Midland, passed away Friday, November 4, 2011.

She was born April 18, 1917 in Hodges, Jones County, Texas to John and Ursula Adams. She met and married Ted Laughlin in Clovis, New Mexico. They moved to Garden City in the early 1950's. They later lived on the Wrage Ranch where Ted was the ranch foreman. Once Ted retired they made their home in Midland. She was also the owner and operator of Paramount Beauty Salon.

Rowena is preceded in death by her husband, Ted Laughlin; daughter, Lyndia Bartlett; seven sisters, three brothers, and her parents, John Ellis Adams and Ursula Haynie Adams.

She is survived by son, Jimmie Smith and wife Edwina; son-in-law, Richard Bartlett and wife Sue; brother, Ed Adams and wife Pat; grandchildren, Becky Brown and James Earl; Tab Bartlett and Lori; Adam Smith; Stacy Spicer and husband Shawn; Tracy Taylor and husband Steve; great-grandchildren, Chris Brown; Rachel Bartlett Deford; Bekah Bartlett; Ashley, Victoria and Madison Porter; Lance Taylor; great-great grandchildren, Owen and Coy Brown and numerous nieces and nephews, friends, and especially the ladies at the beauty shop.

In respect to Rowena's wishes, there will be no funeral services.

Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. Condolences may be offered at www.ellisfunerals.com.

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Death Notices

Antonio Guzman Gonzalez

Antonio Guzman Gonzalez, 69, of Big Spring, died November 4, 2011, at home.

No local services planned. Interment at Cemeterio Municipal, Irapuato, Mexico.

Survivors: Wife, Maria Gonzalez of Big Spring; daughters, Julie Lopez, Catalina Lazo, and Flora Gonzalez, all of Big Spring; sons, Antonio Gonzalez, of Big Spring, Javier Gonzalez and David Gonzalez, both of Lubbock; eight grandchildren; brother, Lino Gonzalez; sisters, Margarita Gonzalez, Sophia Gonzalez, and Asuncion Gonzalez, all of Mexico.

Preceded by his parents, one son, one grandson, two brothers, and two sisters.

Arrangements by Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring, www.npwelch.com

Carolyn Touchstone Walker

Carolyn Touchstone Walker, 65, of Snyder, formerly of Big Spring, died on Friday, November 4, 2011, in a Plano Hospital.

Funeral services 2:00 PM, Monday, November 7, 2011 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment Trinity Memorial Park.

Survivors: Husband, daughter, Lesa McBride and husband, DeWayne of Dawson; son, Chad Statham and wife, Jill of Plano; sisters, JoAnn Low of Allen and Tommie Bronson of Conway, Arkansas, and brother, Jackie Touchstone of Big Spring.

Preceded by parents and two sisters.

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

Hector Carrizales Jr.

Hector Carrizales Jr., 22 of Midland, died Saturday November 5, 2011.

Prayer service Monday, November 7th at 7:00 am at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home Chapel. Pastor Elias Rodriguez officiating.

Survivors: Wife Maria Guadalupe Carrizales of Midland; daughters Keyla and Kiana Carrizales both of Midland; brother Ivan Carrizales of Odessa; sisters Diane Lampkin of Houston, Lucia Lampkin of Odessa, Yadirah Lapkin of Kingsport, Tenn., and Miriam Carrizales of Presidio; parents Lucia and Hector Carrizales Sr.; grandparents Maria de Los Angelos Carrizales and Francisco Carrizales of Mexico; uncles, aunts, nephews, nieces, and cousins.

Arrangements: Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home, pipkin@nts-online.net.

Leon Willingham

Leon Willingham, 59, of Midland, passed away Saturday, November 5, 2011 at Midland Memorial Hospice Inpatient Unit. Graveside services will be Wednesday, November 9, 2011 at 10:00AM at Resthaven Memorial Park North.

He is survived by his wife, Brenda Willingham and three sons James, Kevin, and Lonnie Willingham.

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

Lora Alene Buchanan

Lora Alene Buchanan, age 89 of Snyder passed away on Saturday, November 5, 2011, at Cogdell Memorial Hospital in Snyder. Graveside services will be held at 10 AM Tuesday, November 8, 2011 at Macon Cemetery in Mt. Vernon, Texas. Online condolences may be posted at www.bellcypertseale.com

Robert "Bob" Edwards Jr.

Robert "Bob" Edwards Jr., 68, of Midland, passed away on Sunday, November 6, 2011 in Plano, Texas. His services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

GUILTY PLEAS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Guilty pleas accepted and sentences imposed Oct. 31-Nov. 4 by District Judges George D. Gilles and Rodney W. Satterwhite:

Rosie Lee Sims Beasley, 57, possession of cocaine, two years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, driver's license suspended for 180 days and pay $140 in restitution.

Phillip Andrew Cates, 21, theft, three years on probation and pay $3,688.74 in restitution.

Nicole Baldwin Chambers, 40, unauthorized absence from community corrections facility, 90 days Midland County jail.

Guillermo Lara Garcia, 62, felony driving while intoxicated, five years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, driver's license suspended for 365 days and pay $140 in restitution.

Chande Ysaundra Gildon, 34, interference with child custody, two years on probation and $1,000 fine.

Dominique Lamar Johnson, 19, evading, nine months state jail.

Dillon Case Landers, 19, evading, three years on probation and attend a treatment program.

Moises Jasso Lujan, 24, possession of cocaine and tampering with physical evidence, two years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice and driver's license suspended for 180 days.

Daryl Martin, 33, tampering with physical evidence, three years on probation and $1,500 fine.

Thymathy Alan Nichols, 33, burglary of a habitation, 10 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice suspended for five years on probation, attend a treatment program and $1,000 fine.

Krystal Grace Nyland, 33, escape and assault on a public servant, two years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Randon Sean Prince, 20, stealing a debit card, four years on probation and pay $1,189.71 in restitution.

Robert Charles Sanders, 55, theft by repetition, 18 months state jail.

Lynadie Tucker Smith, 28, driving while intoxicated with child passenger, two years in state jail suspended for four years on probation, $1,500 fine, driver's license suspended for 365 days and 15 days Midland County jail.

Jose Maria Tapia, 51, felony driving while intoxication with child passenger, two years state jail suspended for three years on probation, $1,000 fine, driver's license suspended for 365 days and 30 days in Midland County jail.

Levi Sheldon Taylor, 32, robbery, two years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Catarino Munoz Watson, 63, criminally negligent homicide, two years state jail suspended for five years on probation, driver's license suspended for 365 days and pay $1,000 fine.

Theophilus Watson Jr., 52, burglary of a building, 60 days Midland County jail.

Source: Midland County District Attorney's Office.

Paul says friendship best way to deal with Iran

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — GOP presidential hopeful Ron Paul says "offering friendship" to Iran, not sanctions, would be a more fruitful to achieving peace with Tehran.

The Texas congressman said fears about Iran's nuclear program have been "blown out of proportion." He said tough penalties are a mistake because, as he says was the case in Iraq, they only hurt the local population and still paved a path to war.

When asked on "Fox News Sunday" what he would do to deter Iran's alleged nuclear ambitions, Paul said "maybe offering friendship to them."

Paul's remarks put him at odds with both the Bush and Obama administrations; U.S. policy has relied heavily on sanctions and diplomacy to try to convince Tehran to abandon its atomic program. Iran said its nuclear program is peaceful.

Thousands protest at White House over pipeline

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Thousands of protesters gathered in Lafayette Square across from the White House on Sunday to oppose a plan for a transnational oil pipeline they fear could harm the environment.

At one point, the crowd linked hands to surround the White House, keeping up pressure on President Barack Obama as his administration decides whether to approve the massive Keystone XL project.

The proposed pipeline by developer TransCanada would carry oil derived from tar sands in Alberta, Canada, to refineries in Houston and Port Arthur.

New ordinance could make El Paso greener

By Chris Roberts
El Paso Times

EL PASO — Shade tree-lined streets, parking lots dotted with shrubs and trees, and decorative gravel landscaping will begin to define development in El Paso under a new landscape code.

The landscaping ordinance, which takes effect Monday, mandates a higher percentage of greenery, along the lines of the Arizona cities of Tucson and Phoenix or Albuquerque, N.M. Supporters say the new ordinance will create more attractive spaces that will draw shoppers and tourists, and ultimately raise property values in the areas where it is applied.

Other expected benefits include reduced heating from sunbaked concrete, reduced dust and lower energy costs for homes and businesses.

"I'm very excited about it," city Rep. Susie Byrd said. "It's the greening of commercial development. .. It will also pull landscaping up to the front to provide shade for the sidewalks. I think people will be more willing to go out and walk."

The new code doubles the amount of required landscapable area in most new development from 7.5 percent to 15 percent, requires trees on the parkway strip between the sidewalk and the street, and increases the number of trees required on the frontage landscape buffer of the project property. It also increases the number of plants required for landscaped areas within the property and the number of trees per parking space.

Developers and other community officials had argued that the proposed code was too rigid, used imprecise language, would increase costs, and would require more water. All that creates barriers to development, they said.

"It takes months and sometimes years to attract a business to come to El Paso," said Ray Adauto, El Paso Association of Builders executive vice president. "The rules have changed so much in the last couple of years. And the economy hasn't helped."

Some changes were made to suit developers in the final ordinance approved by the El Paso City Council on Oct. 17. After negotiations among industry representatives and city staff, the amount of landscaping was reduced somewhat and changes were made to provide flexibility in the number and size of trees required. Those things were approved by council members, and Adauto said the final language provided a "workable solution."

During council debate before the measure was approved, city Rep. Dr. Michiel Noe questioned the impact on the city's water resources.

"I do believe that (water) is an issue," Noe said. "We might find out in the future that it's a lot bigger issue than we're making light of right now. ... There's no way they're (additional plants) going to decrease our water usage. There's no plant I'm aware of that takes no water."

An El Paso Water Utilities economist, however, calculated that water use would increase by a hundredth of a percent annually.

One approved change was resisted by Byrd, prompting her to cast the sole "no" vote.

It allows a reduction from 15 percent landscaping to about 10 percent for "infill" projects in Central El Paso, part of which is her district. The area runs roughly up the east side of the Franklin Mountains from Rim Road on the west, approximately to Boone and Marr streets on the east, and Fred Wilson Avenue on the north.

"It really encourages strip-center development that you see on the East Side, rather than thoughtful development that's in character with the rest of the neighborhood," Byrd said. "I think what that amendment did is it really made it easier to do the wrong thing."

The change was made to encourage development in areas that already have schools, sewer and water infrastructure, and police and fire stations. That type of development requires less taxpayer support.

But Byrd said there already are plenty of incentives, including park-fee waivers, tax incentives and reduced parking requirements.

"On the regulatory side, we have made it super easy for developers, big and small, not to have to deal with excessive regulation," Byrd said.

Adauto, who also lives in Central El Paso, said he is not sure what type of projects Byrd is talking about.

"Business wants to be where it's nice and clean and new and where the income levels are higher," Adauto said. "Central doesn't have those income levels."

He said the main problem is upgrading existing development in that area. "Some of the ugly strips need to be fixed," he said. "If there was an (impediment) to that, I can see a problem."

An example provided by Charlie Wakeem, Open Space Advisory Board chairman, is when a property owner converts a residence to a business, then paves the front yard to create a parking lot.

"We would like them to put trees in that area in the front and put parking in the rear," Byrd said.

And Byrd has a more fundamental objection to the change.

"The most frustrating thing was that the amendment was added at the last minute with no input from the people it would impact," she said. "The question that council did not allow people in the neighborhoods to decide is whether it is OK for development in Central to be substandard."

Jim Tolbert, president of the Newman Park Neighborhood Association in Central El Paso, said residents there did not support the exemption.

"It does encourage strip malls," Tolbert said. "It adds to the blight. ... But we've always tried to keep it cheap, cheap, cheap."

Adding code requirements drives up the cost of building, Adauto said, which drives up the cost of living and pushes poorer residents out.

But builders said the same thing about park fees, Wakeem said.

"The sky hasn't fallen," Wakeem said. "No one is objecting to the parkland ordinance and there is still affordable housing."

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PAINT CREEK

Perry's parents say nation needs son

Blushing with parental pride, Gov. Rick Perry's parents said in a rare interview that the nation needs their son as a leader now more than ever, insisting there cannot be a repeat of President Barack Obama.

The Dallas Morning News published the interview with 86-year-old cattleman Ray Perry and his wife, 82-year-old Amelia.

NEW BRAUNFELS

Residents to vote on river can ban

Residents in New Braunfels will vote Tuesday on whether they want to ban disposable containers on their rivers, a proposal that has divided a town whose economy relies heavily on tourism.

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looked elsewhere.

Busby said when the contract was proposed, contributors to Jessica's Well researched any company with which the MDC was considering a partnership. After about 15 minutes of Google searches, he and Heck said they found concerns.

There were reports of Immigration and Customs Enforcement raids at Dean Baldwin facilities. Another report showed issues with the New Mexico Department of Taxation and Revenue, including a dispute over more than $500,000 in back taxes.

Heck said if such information was known to some at the MDC, it became clear that hadn't been communicated to the council. Then-Councilwoman LuAnn Morgan cited blogs and the Reporter-Telegram during the meeting as places where she'd read information that worried her when it came to Dean Baldwin.

"It surprised us that we actually had influence," Busby said.

Doug Henson, who was the MDC's chairman at the time, said as they continued vetting Dean Baldwin, any issues would have come out. Because problems with back taxes in New Mexico were not disclosed, Henson said he would not have gone forward with the deal after hearing about them.

But, had those issues been disclosed by Dean Baldwin officials, it may have been a different scenario, he said. It was the controller's opinion at Dean Baldwin that those taxes weren't owed, Henson said.

Robert Rendall, board chairman, said that any communication issues that may have existed between the council and the MDC have been resolved. A council member, Michael Trost, now serves on the MDC board, as well.

Heck said the blog has become less active in recent months. He said he understands the argument that if the MDC weren't around, Midland might have had some companies stolen away from it. But, he simply doesn't believe economic development is an appropriate use for public money, he said.

"It seems like it's something that's OK to do locally, but if it's done at the state or national level then it's interference in the marketplace," he said. "I don't know how we get there."

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VOTE

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way back to Greenwood.

Of the 10 centers, seven are accessible through EZ Rider routes, Sloan said.

Tuesday's ballot asks voters only to weigh in on 10 constitutional ammendments, which is part of why Sloan said this election was perfect to test out the voting centers.

"Historically, turnout is extremely low," she said.

Through early voting, which ended Friday, just more than 1,000 people had cast ballots in Midland County. During the general election in 2010, more than 14,000 cast early-voting ballots, according to the Elections Office.

And though a bill was passed in the most recent legislative session that requires voters to provide an ID, the rule is not yet being enforced. Sloan said Midlanders will not be asked to provide an ID unless they've lost their voter registration card.

Voting centers will be open Tuesday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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America's most famous preacher turns 93

By Tom Breen
Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — For the Rev. Billy Graham, America's most famous evangelist across a career that lasted some six decades, the prospect of old age and death was for a long time something he tried not to think about, despite his convictions about the eternity that awaits human beings.

"I fought growing old in every way," Graham, who turns 93 today, writes in the newly-published "Nearing Home," a book that ranges from Scripture quotations about the end of life to brass tacks advice on financial planning. "I faithfully exercised and was careful to pace myself as I began to feel the grasp of Old Man Time. This was not a transition that I welcomed, and I began to dread what I knew would follow."

Graham's book, his 30th, comes not only as he reaches another year, but as America's huge baby boom generation moves into old age, its senior members now eligible for Social Security and retirement. And although in recent years Graham has stepped away from active public ministry, his willingness to be frank about the trials as well as the pleasures of growing old may still have an effect on the millions of Americans whose lives coincided with his time as the country's most famous preacher.

"I find that, talking to students and a lot of younger people, many of them don't know who Billy Graham is," said William Martin, author of "A Prophet With Honor: The Billy Graham Story" and a professor at Rice University. "But the people who will be most interested in this are older, and they do remember and adore Billy Graham."

Graham has said he wants to preach one last sermon before he dies.

Chris Carlson/AP

In this Oct. 18 file photo, Republican presidential candidates, former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney, left, and Gov. Rick Perry, speak during a Republican presidential debate in Las Vegas.

Between Perry and Romney, it's personal

By Richard S. Dunham
Hearst Newspapers

WASHINGTON — These days, Rick Perry doesn't even bother to hide his contempt for Republican presidential rival Mitt Romney.

"It's like a lot of other people who run for office: They say whatever they think their polls tell them they need to be saying to win," the Texas governor said in a Wednesday interview with Hearst Newspapers. "I mean, Mitt's been on so many sides of so many different issues. And people know it."

Perry's rhetorical venom is nothing new in presidential politics. Candidates languishing in fourth place in the polls, as Perry is in three polls released last week, often try to change the political dynamic by picking fights with the top dogs in the contest.

What's unusual, however, is Romney's reaction to Perry.

Rather than ignoring his struggling rival, who is stuck in single digits in every national poll released in the past week, Romney has unleashed an unusual barrage of attacks aimed at burying Perry before the Texan can regain his political footing.

On Monday, as Perry ventured into the first-in-the-nation caucus state of Iowa, he was greeted by a Romney broadside calling him "wrong for Iowa" and a career politician who had been in office "for nearly three decades."

On Wednesday, as the Texan went on a fundraising swing through California, Team Romney released a web video describing Perry as "an inspiration for liberal California" because of his support for legislation granting in-state college tuition for illegal immigrants.

And Friday, they hammered Perry for changing his tune on Social Security — pledging he would protect the same trust fund he described in his 2010 book "Fed Up!" as "an elaborate illusion cooked up by government magicians."

No other Republican is getting that kind of harsh treatment from Romney.

Some of the hard-edged tone can be attributed to a strained personal relationship between two ambitious politicians that stretches back almost a decade. But political analysts also say Romney's continuing attention to the struggling Texan — while ignoring other contestants in the crowded field — reflects his campaign's concern that Perry remains the most dangerous obstacle on the Massachusetts governor's path to the nomination.

"Romney considers Perry his toughest competitor in the long run," said Marc Hetherington, professor of political science, Vanderbilt University. "Perry, even though he stumbled from the blocks, he has plenty of time to get his feet under him. Romney realizes that Perry is the guy who could take it away from him."

For his part, Perry is hoping to use his $15 million in campaign funds, a pro-jobs economic message and an 11-year track record in Texas to eventually overtake conservative rivals Herman Cain and Newt Gingrich.

"Perry is the only legitimate threat to Romney," said political science professor Sean Theriault of the University of Texas. "If he gets back on track and starts getting some traction, Romney is in trouble."

That's Perry thinking, exactly.

"There's a reason he's stuck at 20-whatever-percent he is," Perry said in the Hearst Newspapers interview, referring to Romney's consistent 20-something poll standings. "And I don't think he's going to get above that, because people look and they don't necessarily trust that he's going to be where he is today . . . on a host of issues."

For Romney's part, his campaign wants to destroy Perry as quickly as possible by cementing public perceptions that the Texan is a policy lightweight who could not defeat President Obama in a debate or at the ballot box.

"Republicans are looking for a strong nominee that is capable of taking on President Obama's political machine and going toe to toe with the president in 2012," said Romney spokesman Williams. "Gov. Perry has run a campaign based on mis-truths and false statements. Our campaign is going to respond."

Neither campaign would identify the roots of the Romney-Perry schism, but Perry in his book pointed to the treatment of Boy Scouts during the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, where Romney worked as chief executive officer. He accused the Olympics of barring the Scouts from participating because the organization refuses to allow openly gay men or boys to take part in its activities.

Romney disputes Perry's claims. Kay Godfrey, director of public relations for the Great Salt Lake Council of the Boy Scouts of America, said in an interview that the Scouts "were heavily involved" in the Salt Lake City games.

"We didn't drape any bows or medals around necks, but we were all over the place, and did everything we could to help," Godfrey said.

The two men sparred directly when Romney, as director of the Republican Governors Association in 2006, hired GOP consultant Alex Castellanos, who was working for Perry's Republican-turned-independent re-election opponent, Carole Keeton McClellan Rylander Strayhorn. Castellanos declined to comment.

In 2008 Perry endorsed former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani for the Republican presidential nomination over former gubernatorial colleagues Romney and Mike Huckbee of Arkansas, creating friction that remains today.

During the 2012 campaign, Perry has provoked Romney by refusing to disavow the support of a Texas pastor who called Romney's religion, Mormonism, "a cult." During the most recent presidential debate, the two men engaged in a heated exchange during which Romney touched Perry on the shoulder and the Texas pointed his index finger into his foe's face.

"There's no love lost (between the two)," says University of Texas government professor Bruce Buchanan, "but it requires a motive and certain kinds of behavior to spark the kinds of fireworks we saw in the debate."

Analysts speculate that the motivation is rooted in social class differences. Perry had a hard-scrabbled upbringing on a tenant farm in small-town Paint Creek, Texas, while Romney was the son of an automobile executive and grew up in suburban comfort outside Detroit. Perry sees himself as a rough-hewn, straight-talking outsider, while he views Romney as a smooth-talking establishment figure.

"There have been some hotly debated primaries," said political scientist Theriault. "But, alas, none rise to the animosity that you get between Perry and Romney. They seem to be a level harsher and a bit more personal."

In the past, some bitter primary rivals have buried the hatchet — and not in each other's backs.

Texas Sen. Lyndon Johnson derided his 1960 Democratic presidential rival John F. Kennedy as "the boy," but he ended up the boy's vice president. Former Houston congressman George H.W. Bush denounced 1980 rival Ronald Reagan's tax and budget plan as "voodoo economics," yet Bush became cheerleader-in-chief for Reaganonmics as the Gipper's vice president.

But some primary wounds later proved fatal to the eventual nominees.

In 1988 Tennessee Sen. Al Gore blasted Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis for a state prison furlough program that enabled convicted murderer Willie Horton to rape a woman. Gore's attacks later became powerful campaign fodder for Republican nominee George H.W. Bush.

And Bush himself was victimized by 1992 GOP primary rival Pat Buchanan, who crowned the president "King George" and said that his opponent had lost touch with the economic concerns of average Americans. Buchanan's critique was repeated with great effectiveness by the Democratic nominee, Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton, who went on to defeat the incumbent.

At this point, Perry is not worrying about general election fallout. He's simply trying to get back into the race.

"Perry still has a chance, but it won't be easy," said University of Iowa political scientist Timothy Hagle. "As the saying goes, you don't get a second chance to make a first impression. That said, you can earn a second look. Perry has the resources to make that happen if he puts in the work."

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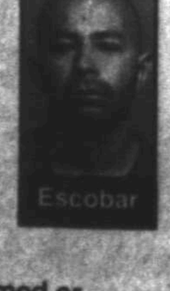

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Things to do

- A businesswomen's roundtable, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Permian Basin Board of Realtors, 1001 W.Wall. The event is $10 (RSVP) and $12 day of the event. Credit card fraud is the topic. RSVP to annabell@midlandhcc.com or call 682-2960 for more information.
- Buffalo Trail Council's Distinguished Citizen of the Permian Basin dinner, Petroleum Club. Recipient is native Midland resident Rosalind Redfern Grover. Call 570-7601 for more information.

Meetings schedule

Greenwood ISD
7:30 p.m. today
Distance Learning Center
Greenwood High School

Election Day voting

When: 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday
Where: At one of 10 voting centers: Cogdell Learning Center, Midland County Annex, Fairmont Park Church of Christ, Greenwood ISD, Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Manor Park, Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, Odessa Country Club, Palmer Drug Abuse Program, St. Paul United Methodist Church.

City's watering schedule

According to the city's Drought Contingency plan, the watering schedule is:

- Odd addresses: beginning 6 p.m. Sundays through 10 a.m. Mondays and beginning 6 p.m. Wednesdays through 10 a.m. Thursdays.
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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
http://www.newstalkkcrs.com/

KWEL (AM 1070)
6-10 a.m. The Morning Show with Craig Anderson
10 a.m.-noon Laura Ingraham
Noon-2 p.m. Glenn Beck
2-5 p.m. Sean Hannity
5-6 p.m. Jason Moore
6-9 p.m. Michael Savage
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
3-6 p.m. The Doug Gottlieb Show

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

Veterans Day celebrations

- Rusk Elementary School's annual USO show in honor of Veterans Day is planned for 10:15 a.m. Thursday at the Commemorative Air Force Hangar.

More than 1,000 veterans have been invited to attend. Each will receive a gift from the students.

The show is open to the public. For more information, call 689-1850.

- Polo Park Estates is hosting a Veterans Day celebration and a fundraiser for the Outward Bound for Veterans program Saturday.

The event is noon-3 p.m. and includes a barbecue lunch and a raffle for a 40-inch LCD TV. There also will be entertainment and a silent auction.

Lunch tickets are $7 for adults and $5 for children. Raffle tickets are $2 each or three for $5.

All proceeds will be donated to Outward Bound for Veterans, a non-profit program that provides challenging learning expeditions for returning service members.

To RSVP or for more information, call 682-5772.

- Veterans are welcome to a free barbecue dinner Saturday at the VFW Post 4149, located at 409 Veterans Airpark Lane.

Veterans, spouses and their children eat free. Plates are $5 each for the public. Honor guard starts at 4:30 p.m. for the posting of the colors and dinner will be served from 5 - 7 p.m. Then at 8 p.m., the Trey Austin Band will perform Tickets are $5 per person for the dance. For more information, call 684-9226.

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Have questions? Contact Photo Editor Tim Fischer at tfischer@mrt.com.

Today in history

Today is Monday, Nov. 7, the 311th day of 2011. There are 54 days left in the year.

On this date:

In 1917, Russia's Bolshevik Revolution took place as forces led by Vladimir Ilych Lenin overthrew the provisional government of Alexander Kerensky.

In 1952, Richard Nixon, having lost California's gubernatorial race, held what he called his "last press conference," telling reporters, "You won't have Nixon to kick around anymore."

—Associated Press

Oasis or mirage? Company wants to tap Mojave water

By Noaki Schwartz and Garance Burke
Associated Press

CADIZ, Calif. — Off historic Route 66 in the heart of the California desert the barren landscape of dry scrub and rock abruptly gives way to an oasis of tall green trees heavy with lemons and grape vines awaiting next month's harvest.

Some believe this lush farm in the unlikeliest of places also sits atop a partial solution to Southern California's water woes.

By tapping into an aquifer the size of Rhode Island under the 35,000-acre Cadiz ranch, proponents say they can supply 400,000 people with drinking water in only a few years.

If the plan sounds familiar, it is. A decade ago, Los Angeles' Metropolitan Water District narrowly rejected it when it faced widespread environmental opposition. A scaled back version has resurfaced with a greener pitch, momentum from five water agencies and what the company claims is better science to win over skeptics.

"Do we need additional water supplies? Yes. Do we need groundwater storage? Yes," said Winston Hickox, a Cadiz board member who headed the California Environmental Protection Agency. "The question is 'OK, environmental community, what are your remaining concerns?' I don't know."

But conservationists including the Sierra Club remain worried. Critics say the company has misrepresented the size of the aquifer and that mining it could harm the threatened desert tortoise, bighorn sheep, as well as the nearby Mojave National Preserve, which has some of the densest and oldest Joshua tree forests in the world. Concerns over rare desert species also were echoed by state Department of Fish and Game biologists in March.

Conservationists also worry tampering with an aquifer in a place where water is so scarce could cause dust storms.

"There's a lot of unknowns here but we think this project has the potential to adversely affect air quality, draw down water resources and alter the flow of groundwater beneath the Mojave Preserve," said Seth Shteir with the National Parks and Conservation Association, which plans to scrutinize an environmental review of the project, expected to be released this month.

Groundwater has long played a part in the West's age-old water wars, which are increasingly being waged underground. These large unseen reserves of underground water nourish a place that would appear to most observers as dead.

California has few regulations when it comes to groundwater pumping, according to Carolyn Remick, who heads the Berkeley Water Center at the University of California. Consequently it is often weaker local agencies that largely oversee such extraction, leading to a raft of problems ranging from groundwater contamination to overpumping and ground sinking.

Last year a conservation group sued the state water board in an effort to force the agency to regulate groundwater pumping that has depleted Northern California's Scott River, threatening salmon populations.

Big quake follows increase in Oklahoma rumblings

Associated Press

SPARKS, Okla. — Clouds of dust belched from the corners of almost every room in Joe Reneau's house as the biggest earthquake in Oklahoma history rocked the two-story building.

A roar that sounded like a jumbo jet filled the air, and Reneau's red-brick chimney collapsed and fell into the roof above the living room. By the time the shaking stopped, a pantry worth of food had been strewn across the kitchen and shards of glass and pottery covered the floor.

"It was like WHAM!" said Reneau, 75, gesturing with swipes of his arms. "I thought in my mind the house would stand, but then again, maybe not."

The magnitude 5.6 earthquake and its aftershocks still had residents rattled Sunday.

Two minor injuries were reported from Saturday's quakes by the Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management, which said neither person was hospitalized. And, aside from a buckled highway and the collapse of a tower on the St. Gregory's University administration building in Shawnee, no major damage was reported.

But the weekend earthquakes were among the strongest yet in a state that has seen a dramatic, unexplained increase in seismic activity.

Oklahoma typically had about 50 earthquakes a year until 2009. Then the number spiked, and 1,047 quakes shook the state last year.

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Occupy movement shows its lawless heart

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Even before some of them girded themselves for combat with police, donning masks and wielding black shields emblazoned with skeletons, the "Occupy" protesters in Oakland, Calif., engaged in a willfully destructive act.

They shut down the fifth-busiest container port in America. Why would anyone acting in the name of people harmed by the Great Recession interrupt the flow of commerce, especially at a hub employing dockworkers and truckers? It was a symbolic blow against our economic system as such, and by definition a radical act.

It's become clear during the past few weeks that there is a lawlessness at the heart of Occupy Wall Street. It has created little ungoverned spaces in cities around the country, into which homeless people, addicts and criminals have flowed. It believes that the rules of a fundamentally corrupt system shouldn't apply to it, and its self-image depends on conflict with the agents of that system, the police.

When asked to do something by an officer of the law, the instinct of most people is to comply, especially if they are violating a rule. The instinct of many of the Occupy protesters is to resist, then inflate their arrests or clashes with the police into a monumental struggle with the forces of oppression. "The whole world is watching."

There is an honorable tradition of civil disobedience in America. If an injustice is so grave and the system is so rigged that it can't be changed through normal democratic means, as in the Jim Crow South, breaking the law may be a recourse. The civil-rights protesters did it peacefully and with dignity. The difference between them and the Occupy protesters challenging the cops is the difference between self-sacrificial heroes and ideologically drunk punks and whiners.

In Oakland about a week ago, when police cleared out an encampment near City Hall, protesters fought back, and roughly 100 of them were arrested and one gravely wounded. It was all avoidable if they had peaceably complied with an order to vacate their illegal makeshift campsite. In retaliation, the protesters called for a "general strike," a phrase redolent of revolutionary action.

The strike wasn't anywhere close to general, since most people with jobs don't have time for idle political indulgences. But the protesters turned out a few thousand. Even before it truly got out of control at night, protesters were smashing windows and spraying graffiti on walls. After shutting down the port, a black-clad contingent headed downtown, where they set fires and threw firecrackers, rocks and bottles at the police. In a perfect expression of wanton destructiveness, they attacked road signs.

Other Oakland protesters tried to restrain the violence, without much luck. Such is the dynamic of mobs. With no specific agenda and no standards for disentangling legitimate demands from lunacy, the Occupy movement is prone to get more extreme rather than less. A free-floating radicalism is written into its DNA.

The catchy, initial promotional poster for Occupy Wall Street designed by the left-wing magazine Adbusters depicted a ballerina standing on the iconic Wall Street bull surrounded by riot police. In its absurdist aesthetic and forecast of conflict with the authorities, the poster presciently represented the future of the Occupy movement.

Everyone acknowledges the right of the Occupiers to protest and to live however they please. They can request permits to march every day, and try to levitate the Federal Reserve building if they want. They can, in a fine American tradition, go off and create freakish communes where they hold goods in common and live in splendid squalor. But they shouldn't be allowed to break the rules while building fetid encampments on property not their own, and their contempt for the police should be tolerated by no one.

Mere protests probably won't satisfy the movement, though. It is a self-styled "occupation," which inherently involves taking what is not yours. It's already ugly and will probably get more so.

OUR VIEW

Fire shows us some areas still need cleaning up

In many ways last week's structure fire on the 2800 block of Rankin Highway was just another in the long line of such fires attended to by the Midland Fire Department. MFD answers such calls every month of the year, but maybe it's time we did notice.

The fire came from an abandoned residence that was a known location where homeless people congregate to get out of cold and windy weather. Fortunately, no one was found during a search conducted after the fire was extinguished.

Like many such fires the cause of the fire remains a mystery since electricity has been ruled out because there was no power to the structure. There are many such structures around town, and they do pose a hazard to the community.

Even though some of our homeless citizens use these abandoned residences as temporary shelter, it can be a dangerous practice to stay in these structures where there is no power, heat or safety measures.

In addition, most of these structures are unattended and left to decay at nature's will. That can often mean that the area is littered with piles of wood, overgrown brush and discarded trash, ranging from abandoned cars to illegally dumped trash.

If fire does break out at one of these sites, the result can be disastrous for the entire neighborhood. In our current drought conditions, small fires can quickly become large fires if there is fuel to keep it burning. Just about everything is fuel for fires in this era of drought.

It may be time that we take a look at how we deal with these properties around our city. We would like to see all property owners keep their city lots clean and safe.

Even though the city has focused on this issue before, we would like to see more enforcement of local laws to deal with property owners that may be in violation of local ordinances. We would like to see our city get rid of as many abandoned residences as possible. We also call for the enforcement of ordinances dealing with overgrown brush and other items which during these times only serve as fuel to fires like the one last week.

We might be able to live with this problem if these buildings were mere eyesores, but they pose a tremendous liability for citizens and entire neighborhoods. Midland has actually done a pretty good job of keeping these structures to a minimum, but obviously we still have room to work here.

It's a chore we have to do, especially at a time when weather forecasters are now telling us we can expect the current drought to last at least through next year. We must be pro-active in protecting our property and the lives of our residents.

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Obama needs a Kennedy 101 lesson

■ The Kennedys often resembled street fighters while winning political battles.

DANA MILBANK
Washington Post Writers Group

Chris Matthews, the voluble host of MSNBC's "Hardball," has written a compelling blueprint for President Obama's re-election. But it doesn't mention the current president.

Matthews' new book, "Jack Kennedy: Elusive Hero," adds another volume to the already groaning shelf of Kennedy biography, but this one, happily, isn't all about Camelot or conspiracies. It's also about the Machiavellian Kennedy, the political street fighter who with his brother encouraged opponents to believe they were "dangerous enemies" who preferred to be feared than loved. "Bobby was the one who'd gained the reputation for ruthlessness," Matthews writes, "but Jack could be pitiless."

This is the JFK who dispatched his brother to deliver mob-style threats to governors who didn't back him in the 1960 primaries, and the JFK who threatened to expose corporate executives extramarital pursuits. As one Kennedy aide recounted, "Jack preferred killing a politician to wounding one. 'A wounded tiger,' he always said, 'was more dangerous than either a living or a dead one.'"

Reading these pages brought to mind the current president, who too often handles his tigers with stroking or submission. Obama doesn't need to sic the FBI on his opponents, but neither would it hurt him to put some fear in friends and foes alike as he pushes for jobs bills on the Hill and begins a difficult re-election campaign.

When Republicans celebrate the sainted Ronald Reagan, they make the mistake of recalling his strong conservative convictions but omit any acknowledgment of his long record of compromise with the opposition. Likewise, Democrats draw inspiration from Kennedy's stirring phrases, but they forget that he was also a political killer.

Obama seemed to understand this early in his term, when Rahm Emanuel played his Bobby Kennedy, keeping recalcitrant lawmakers in line. Now Obama has no bad cop in his White House — his chief of staff, Bill Daley, is this town's Mr. Congeniality — and the president himself seems congenitally unable to intimidate. He learned the art of Kennedy's soaring rhetoric but neglected the kneecapping that supported it.

Matthews recounts the story of how William "Onions" Burke, the Massachusetts Democratic chairman, humiliated Kennedy in 1956 by going back on his pledge to deliver primary delegates for Adlai Stevenson, whom Kennedy wished to join on the ticket. Kennedy "had no choice but to destroy the man," Matthews wrote. He worked the state's committeemen to oust Burke as party chairman, then had Burke kept from the room for the vote by Boston cops. Kennedy's candidate easily won.

In 1960, when Ohio Gov. Mike DiSalle resisted supporting Kennedy in that state's primary, Kennedy threatened him: "Mike, it's time to (expletive) or get off the pot. You're either going to come out for me or we are going to run a delegation against you in Ohio and we'll beat you." When DiSalle resisted still, Kennedy sent his brother to Columbus to "see DiSalle and make sure he is going to meet his commitments." Bobby, Kennedy man Ken O'Donnell recounted, "threatened him."

A similar thing happened with Maryland Gov. J. Millard Tawes. As O'Donnell described it: "We ushered the governor into a bedroom and Bobby went in and the governor was not happy, looking over his shoulder for some assistance. But there was none forthcoming." Tawes relented.

An adviser to California Gov. Pat Brown, likewise, said "threatening ... is the only accurate word" to describe the Kennedys' treatment of Brown. They "ran a very aggressive war of nerves." And woe to the man who resisted, such as Pennsylvania Gov. David Lawrence. With Lawrence in the audience, Kennedy gave a speech "kicking him good and hard where it hurts the most," O'Donnell described.

The intimidation, naturally, worked on the Republicans, too. "They were ruthless," one Nixon man said, in Matthews' account. "They scared the (expletive) out of me." They did more than that to Roger Blough, the U.S. Steel chairman, who defied Kennedy in 1961 by raising prices. "You have made a terrible mistake," Kennedy told him. Subpoenas flew, FBI agents marched into steel executives' offices, and Kennedy spoke about IRS agents examining "hotel bills and nightclub expenses (that) would be hard to get by the weekly wives' bridge group out at the country club."

Kennedy used harsher words than the "socialist" Obama has ever voiced, claiming the executives' "pursuit of private power and profit" showed "such utter contempt for the interests of 185 million Americans." The price increase was rolled back.

"It was a tough way to operate," Bobby Kennedy said, but "we couldn't afford to lose."

Sometimes, that's how it must be. Can Obama understand that?

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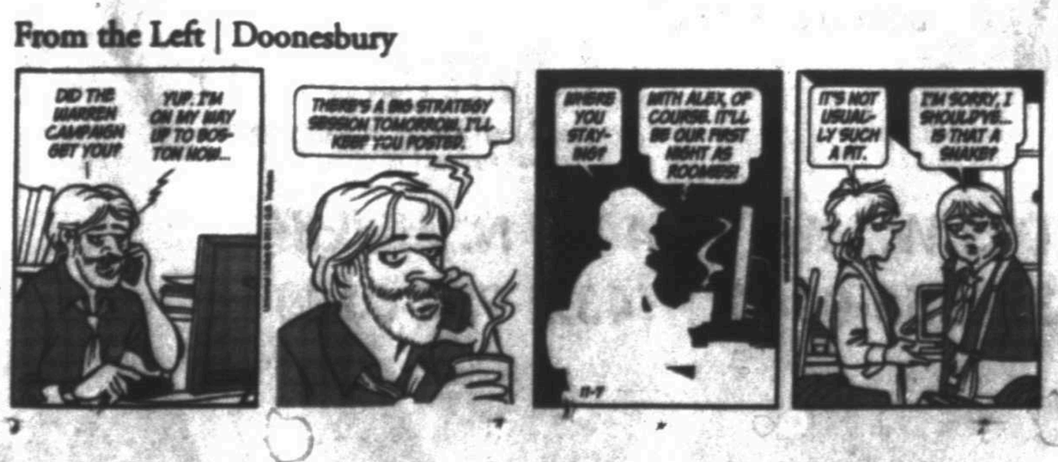

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Texas community college students face tough odds

By Emily Holden
Hearst Newspapers

WASHINGTON — Roma Parwez wants nothing more than to be a pharmacist, but she hasn't been able to complete her associate's degree at Houston Community College within the standard two-year time frame.

And it's not for lack of trying.

The industrious 20-year-old works nine hours a day at a saddle-manufacturing plant in Stafford before attending college night classes that last until 10 p.m. Then she goes home to study at her family's house — where she helps pay the rent — before getting barely four or five hours of sleep a night.

The next day she starts the numbing cycle all over again.

Like most community college students, it's taking Parwez longer than she wants — and longer than she expected — to get her two-year degree en route to follow-up studies to eventually earn a pharmacy degree. She's already been in school for two-and-a-half years, and she expects her quest to spill into another semester again next spring.

"Everyone used to tell me, 'Hey, you're working, so take it slow,'" Parwez says. "But how long are you supposed to take it slow? You want to get things done, get it over with so you can start your career."

Higher education is the first step for Texas students like Parwez, who want to get better paying jobs. Minimum wage jobs are a higher share of the workforce in Texas than in any other state except Mississippi.

Yet community college students like Parwez — both in Texas and around the country — face daunting challenges earning an associate's degree in hopes of opening up more job opportunities.

Community college completion rates collected by the nonprofit advocacy and research group Complete College America show that the so-called "Texas economic miracle" can be a nightmare for someone seeking an associate's degree.

The group reported that 79 of every 100 students in public colleges in the state started at community colleges and that only two of those 79 students graduated on time. Even after four years at the two-year schools, only seven of those 79 students graduated with their associate degrees.

Between local and state funding and federal student aid, Texas taxpayers spend more than $74 million a year on community college students who drop out before their second year, according to the American Institutes for Research. Texas came in second, behind California, for spending the most on community college dropouts.

Graduation rates at community colleges in Texas are near the worst among the 33 states surveyed, with only 11.2 percent of full-time, degree-seeking students finishing two-year programs at community colleges within four years.

And the odds are worse for Texans who are Hispanic, African-American or poor.

At El Paso Community College, where students are overwhelmingly Hispanic and poor, the three-year graduation rate is 9 percent. Officials say many freshmen often aren't ready for college-level courses.

"It all boils down to the fact that we're still having to develop programs to get our students college-ready after graduation from high school," says Belen Robles, a board trustee at El Paso Community College.

As president of Initiatives for All — a Houston-based nonprofit aimed at educational advancement in the Hispanic community — Cynthia Olmedo sees financial challenges repeatedly sidetracking ambitious students.

Four out of five community college students don't have enough money even after they have received financial aid, according to the Institute for College Access and Success.

Many turn to part-time work — work that becomes a distraction from school. Some often take breaks from school to save up before returning for another semester of courses.

Olmedo says those students don't always come back.

"The students who never work don't have a problem — they're focused on school," says Olmedo. "But once they start having financial responsibility — that's when they get kind of lost (and don't return to classes)."

Raymund Paredes, Texas commissioner of Higher Education, said many community colleges haven't done a good job helping students overcome the challenges. Higher education in general, and community colleges in particular, have not adapted quickly to the growing majority of non-traditional students who are older and have jobs or families.

Additionally, many of the institutions aren't up front about how rigorous college-level work is and how much of a commitment it requires, he said.

"It's a matter of giving students good counseling about how to juggle careers and family and education simultaneously," Paredes said.

Paredes said educators should steer some at-risk students to learn basic skills such as literacy and computation, rather than pursue degrees.

Texas and other states have started programs to help high school students prepare for college, including dual enrollment programs blending high school and college courses so students can get a head-start on college work.

For students who work to support themselves, many educators recommend on-campus jobs to enable students to earn money at the same time they're connecting with the academic world, says Juliet Garcia, president of the University of Texas at Brownsville.

In another move to raise college completion rates, the Texas Legislature is looking at linking state funding to academic progress, rather than just enrollment.

Unless those changes take effect, however, students like Parwez will have to keep buckling down.

"It gets tiring from time to time. But you gotta do what you gotta do," Parwez said. "I don't want it to take any longer than it's already been, so I'm just trying to make it work."

US wealth gap between young and old is widest ever

By Hope Yen
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The wealth gap between younger and older Americans has stretched to the widest on record, worsened by a prolonged economic downturn that has wiped out job opportunities for young adults and saddled them with housing and college debt.

The typical U.S. household headed by a person age 65 or older has a net worth 47 times greater than a household headed by someone under 35, according to an analysis of census data released Monday.

While people typically accumulate assets as they age, this wealth gap is now more than double what it was in 2005 and nearly five times the 10-to-1 disparity a quarter-century ago, after adjusting for inflation.

The analysis reflects the impact of the economic downturn, which has hit young adults particularly hard. More are pursuing college or advanced degrees, taking on debt as they wait for the job market to recover. Others are struggling to pay mortgage costs on homes now worth less than when they were bought in the housing boom.

The report, coming out before the Nov. 23 deadline for a special congressional committee to propose $1.2 trillion in budget cuts over 10 years, casts a spotlight on a government safety net that has buoyed older Americans on Social Security and Medicare amid wider cuts to education and other programs, including cash assistance for poor families.

"It makes us wonder whether the extraordinary amount of resources we spend on retirees and their health care should be at least partially reallocated to those who are hurting worse than them," said Harry Holzer, a labor economist and public policy professor at Georgetown University who called the magnitude of the wealth gap "striking."

The median net worth of households headed by someone 65 or older was $170,494. That is 42 percent more than in 1984, when the Census Bureau first began measuring wealth broken down by age. The median net worth for the younger-age households was $3,662, down by 68 percent from a quarter-century ago, according to the analysis by the Pew Research Center.

Net worth includes the value of a person's home, possessions and savings accumulated over the years, including stocks, bank accounts, real estate, cars, boats or other property, minus any debt such as mortgages, college loans and credit card bills. Older Americans tend to hold more net worth because they are more likely to have paid off their mortgages and built up more savings from salary, stocks and other investments over time. The median is the midpoint, and thus refers to a typical household.

The 47-to-1 wealth gap between old and young is believed by demographers to be the highest ever, even predating government records.

In all, 37 percent of younger-age households have a net worth of zero or less, nearly double the share in 1984. But among households headed by a person 65 or older, the percentage in that category has been largely unchanged at 8 percent.

While the wealth gap has been widening gradually due to delayed marriage and increases in single parenting among young adults, the housing bust and recession have made it significantly worse.

For young adults, the main asset is their home. Their housing wealth dropped 31 percent from 1984, the result of increased debt and falling home values. In contrast, Americans 65 or older were more likely to have bought homes long before the housing boom and thus saw a 57 percent gain in housing wealth even after the bust.

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Beatriz Ramirez cares for her four grandchildren, whose father was recently killed.

Julian Cardona/Hearst

Children left without parents suffer brunt of Mexican violence

By Dudley Althaus
Houston Chronicle

CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico — Eleazar glanced up from the toy cars he pushed across a threadbare carpet, flashing to the moment that men gunned down and killed his father.

"They were in a black pickup," the 10-year-old whispered as a younger brother and sister listened with averted eyes. "The windows were dark. I couldn't see them."

Eleazar's father had brought him and a brother along to an appointment. Their father parked, told his sons to stay put and walked across the street for the meeting. Loud bangs jolted the boys seconds later. Eleazar watched the killers drive off, then ran to his dead dad's side as he lay face down in the street.

"He was involved in bad things," Eleazar's grandmother, Beatriz Ramirez, 47, explained of her son-in-law, 30. "He died three days after his sister also was killed."

Legions of children like Eleazar — some say as many as 15,000 — have lost one parent or both to the drug-fed malevolence devouring Ciudad Juarez.

These children shoulder lives sullied by blood, blackened with loss, gnarled in rage.

"Violent death is doubly bad," said Silvia Aguirre, director of a volunteer group that provides grief counseling and support to victims' families. "In addition to the hurt of losing someone, the survivors are left with the shame and embarrassment of how and why they died.

"If you tend to them, you break the cycle of violence," Aguirre said of the children. "If you don't, they can grow up to be their father's avengers."

Some calculate perhaps 60,000 children have been orphaned across Mexico by the criminal violence since late 2006, basing their guess on the more than 40,000 people murdered. There might be far fewer narco-orphans than that, or many more. No one really knows.

But no corner of the country has suffered the bloodshed worse than Juarez, a city of some 1.2 million sprawling along the Rio Grande and deep into the Chihuahuan desert. Gang warfare has culled some 9,700 lives in four years, according to a local newspaper's count.

Nearly all Juarez's dead have been younger men, but also include more than 700 women and dozens of children. Assassins have shot fathers with young children riding beside them in the family car. Couples and entire families have been murdered together.

Children losing both parents usually find refuge with grandparents, older siblings or aunts and uncles. Whatever becomes of them, the children's lives change forever, often for the worse.

"Families are mutilated, children lose structure," said psychologist Carmen Serna, who estimates 40 percent of the patients she counsels at a public clinic are survivors of violent death. "Emotionally, the children are very depressed, suffer post-traumatic stress.

"They have a lot of aggression. They become violent with their families and with their school mates."

Eleazar and his three siblings moved into his grandmother's cramped house when their mother disappeared, supposedly seeking

Please see ORPHANS/2B

Liberty County Sheriff's Office Capt. Rex Evans waits to process confiscated marijuana plants at the Liberty County Sheriff's Office on Oct. 19, 2011, in Liberty. Officials confiscated 2 to 3 tons of marijuana estimated at $4 million to $6 million in street value. Suspects have been identified, but no names have been released in the ongoing investigation.

Cody Duty
Houston Chronicle

Whiff of mystery surrounds Liberty pot farms

By Cindy Horswell
Houston Chronicle

A hunter was walking through a dense Liberty County forest in East Texas to check on his deer blind when he stumbled upon two men using machetes to harvest 9-foot stalks with lush green leaves.

The irrigated field, spared from the lingering drought, had produced a marijuana crop worth an estimated $2.5 million.

Two weeks earlier in the same county, another more elaborate farming operation, complete with a gym and fully equipped kitchen, was busted. The marijuana crop was estimated to be worth $5 million.

And a third crop — worth $4 million — was discovered two months ago, brazenly tended in the Sam Houston National Forest in adjacent Montgomery County.

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Mike Crowell, a third-generation windmiller, works on a windmill near Claude in the Texas Panhandle.

Axel Gerdau Texas Tribune

Windmilling, a dying art, hangs on in Texas

by Kate Galbraith
Texas Tribune

CLAUDE — Working 35 feet above the flat earth of the Panhandle, a young man in a baseball cap loosened the bolts attaching a windmill to a steel tower.

"Ready?" came the shout from the ground. "Yeah, go ahead," he hollered back. Slowly, the 500-pound windmill was lowered to the ground. A four-man crew expertly dismantled the wheel and replaced the motor, which had stopped working after it ran out of oil, and within an hour the windmill was hoisted back up and was ready to spin.

"This is kind of hard to do when it's windy," said Mike Crowell, the crew's 59-year-old boss, who said his crews sometimes work on as many as nine windmills each day.

Only a few dozen outfits like Crowell's still exist in the Texas Panhandle, practicing the dying art of "windmilling" — fixing the old-style whirligigs that pump water from the aquifers. Windmills were crucial to 19th-century settlers of West Texas and the Great Plains because little surface water existed. Now, thousands of them — far smaller than the giant electricity-producing turbines that have sprouted around West Texas in recent years — still twirl in remote pastures. The windmills go where electricity cannot reach and cattle need to drink, though cheaper solar pumps are starting to push them out.

"Obama wants everybody to go green," said Bob Bracher, the president of Aermotor Windmill, a company that has manufactured windmills for more than 100 years and still makes a few thousand of them each year in a warehouse in San Angelo. "Well, hell, we've been green since 1888."

Much has changed since then. Now, some of Bracher's sales go to what he calls the "enthusiasts' market," meaning people who want a windmill simply for its iconic look.

But the windmiller profession, celebrated by novelists like Larry McMurtry and Annie Proulx, still hangs on in remote corners of Texas. Crowell's family has been working on windmills since 1896, when his grandfather traded 60 horses for a rig to drill wells. He learned the trade from his father and uncle, and now his two sons, both in their 20s, have joined the business. He has high hopes for his five grandsons, who occasionally come to watch the work.

"Some of the best features of being a windmill man is we go out on places that only a cowboy will see once in awhile," said Crowell, who sometimes works in the scenic Palo Duro Canyon as well as on vast ranches that have 80 or more windmills apiece.

But windmilling can be difficult and dangerous. Crowell needed stitches after another worker atop a windmill dropped a hammer on his head. Work goes on year-round, despite occasionally ferocious winds and ice storms, because if a windmill has stopped pumping water, cattle can die.

"It takes a certain kind of person to be able to stand that type of work environment," Crowell said.

This year, the weather has brought extreme heat and drought — which has meant boom times for both Aermotor and Crowell Water Well Service, Crowell's company. Desperate for new sources of water, Texas ranchers have drilled more wells and ordered more windmills.

"We have been very busy this summer because there's no surface water, and the cattle sure need to drink somewhere," Crowell said.

Now, however, the situation is so bad that ranchers have sold huge numbers of cattle, and business is likely to slow during the winter.

"When there's no grass and no cattle, there's no need for water out of windmills," Bracher of Aermotor said.

Windmills also face a competitive threat from solar pumps, which recently have made significant inroads. Crowell says he spends about 70 percent of his time on windmills but also works on solar pumps, which he began seeing in the Panhandle in the late 1990s.

"Nearly every rancher I know is contemplating going solar," said Delbert Trew, who ranches on rolling prairie about 40 miles east of Claude. Crowell's base. He got rid of three windmills about five years ago — they were too expensive to maintain, he said — and bought a solar-powered pump from an Oklahoma company called Robison Solar Systems.

Bill Hoots, a sales executive at Robison, said the company has been "extremely, extremely busy" until recently. But business has been slowing down as cattle ranchers sell off cattle. Dan Prangsgaard, a spokesman for Grundfos, a Danish pump manufacturer, said growth in the solar pump business has almost tripled in the last two to three years.

Windmills last about 60 years, longer than solar pumps, according to Brian Vick, the lead scientist for renewable energy at a federal agricultural research laboratory in the Panhandle community of Bushland. But windmills need more maintenance and the solar pumps — which are cheaper up front — are better matched to the summertime needs of cattle, because August and September tend to have little wind and lots of sun, he said.

"You have to haul some water out to the cattle during that period sometimes, especially if the winds are low," Vick said.

Ranchers putting in windmills and solar pumps can get substantial subsidies via the Natural Resources Conservation Service, a branch of the federal Department of Agriculture. Under the N.R.C.S.'s Environmental Quality Incentives Program, Texas ranchers recently have been eligible for payments of about $6,000 for a solar pump installation atop a well that's more than 300 feet deep, according to Troy Headings, a civil engineer in Amarillo with the N.R.C.S. The payment runs about $7,260 for a 10-foot diameter windmill, and the rationale, he said, is to make sure cattle graze the entire pasture, "rather than concentrating around one water source and completely denuding that area of grass."

The federal program can cover about 40 to 60 percent of the installed cost of a windmill or solar pump, according to Crowell.

Will solar pumps ever eclipse windmills in West Texas? Vick, of the Bushland agricultural research laboratory, said that the windmills have "still got a pretty good future for another 20 or 30 years or so."

Plenty of ranchers still swear by the machines, whose design has changed little in a century.

Rocky Farrar, a rancher near Canadian, has about 15 windmills on his land, and although he installed a solar pump a few months ago, he still hasn't turned it on.

"I'm just not ready to do that," Farrar said. "I don't know why." He said he loves the sound of the windmills, which have given him little maintenance trouble over the years.

"I think as long as you have any old-school people left, you're going to have windmills," Farrar said.

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addiction treatment a few months after their father was killed.

Ramirez, who says her alcoholic husband returns home only occasionally, feeds eight mouths on a few dollars a month.

The killing of Eleazar's father was one of 28 in Juarez in one Sunday 18 months ago. News reports of the toll begrudged just a few sentences to his death. He had been shot in the chest, side and arm. Investigators recovered 14 spent assault rifle shells from the scene. The psychological shrapnel still remains with Eleazar and his siblings.

The sister, 7, gets good grades, studies hard, but is quiet and withdrawn, her grandmother said. A brother, 9, disappears frequently, while another, 6, is behind in school and has developed a vicious punch. Eleazar has been suspended frequently for fighting, acting out, arguing with teachers.

"He's very rebellious, very rude," Ramirez said of Eleazar.

Aguirre's Family Center for Integration and Growth focuses on healing the stress. Workshops run by trained volunteers aim to help adults overcome their grief and young children to shake off anger and hurt.

"I think I am happy sometimes," America, 8, said at a recent session when asked by counselor to finish a sentence starting with "I think."

Gunmen killed America's 35-year-old father, a systems engineer at a Juarez factory, on Father's Day last year, apparently by mistake, said his wife Graciela Guzman. The killers were attacking a house across the street, her husband, sitting outside, was sprayed with bullets.

Guzman did not tell America or her six-year-old sister how he died.

"When they grow up they can know the truth. Not now. I can't. It would be very cruel," Guzman said. "The worse thing is that people think he was killed because he was involved in something."

Only a few hundred people in Juarez receive the counseling offered by such groups. Little more than 1,000 registered for a government program providing violence survivors scholarships, food and other aid. Many of the rest, like Eleazar, have been absorbed fitfully into Juarez's teeming, poor and violent neighborhoods.

"Before if you asked them what they wanted to be when they grew up, the boys would say a policeman or a fireman," said Maria Juarez, a counselor at the Juan Alanis school where she estimates 90 percent of the students come from broken homes.

"Now many will say they want to be assassins," Juarez said. "Just imagine the mentality of the young people now."

Young or old, many survivors become consumed by imagining what they could have done to protect their loved ones.

"If I had been with him it wouldn't have happened," said Manuel, 13, a sad-eyed seventh-grader whose father was kidnapped and murdered in February. "I could have saved him."

For months after the killing, Manuel carried a newspaper photograph of his father's brutalized body in his wallet. He took to wearing his father's favorite winter coat, even in Juarez's scorching heat. His grades plummeted and he became withdrawn.

"He loved me a lot. It affects me every day," Manuel said, tears surging in hooded eyes. "I feel so alone."

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At this rate, authorities admit marijuana could turn into East Texas' next big cash crop — albeit an illegal one. Liberty County sheriff's spokesman Rex Evans says investigators are looking into whether these farming operations are linked to Mexico's drug cartels, which might be avoiding tightened border security and planting their brand on Texas soil.

"We're still looking into possible correlations," he said. "The influence is here. To what degree, I cannot say yet. We're working on this with the state and federal narcotics investigators."

While not able to disclose all the details, he said investigators have confiscated letters in Spanish being written to Mexico as well as ammunition that came from south of the Texas border.

DEA man on case

Investigators want to know whether the cartels are financing illegal workers and others to grow their marijuana crops and harvest them in Texas.

The Drug Enforcement Administration declined to confirm or deny that cartels are operating farms in Liberty County.

The agency has seen significant marijuana crop areas in other states, which led it to suspect undocumented workers were tending them on behalf of a larger organization. But agency spokeswoman Lisa Johnson said the DEA had no proof yet this was happening in Texas.

Texas Department of Public Safety Spokesman Tom Vinger, however, said Texas authorities have uncovered a record number of marijuana operations around the state this year.

He says these go far beyond the usual small-time operations where someone plants a few marijuana seeds in the backyard.

For instance, in Hopkins County northeast of Dallas, a large farm with ties to Mexico was raided this month and a crop valued at $3 million was destroyed. Felony drug charges are now pending against three workers arrested there, including two men from Mexico.

Workers on the farms in Montgomery and Liberty counties vanished before any officers arrived. Each site had established escape routes and "booby traps" to alert them when strangers were coming.

A pan that had been heating on a Coleman stove still was warm when investigators arrived recently at the last Liberty County farm busted off Texas 105 near Cleveland. Three acres of pine trees had been cleared in the middle of a forest to create this farm, which authorities said was unbeknownst to the landowner, a timber company in Livingston.

Irrigation, power

The other Liberty County bust involved 300 acres near Hardin. It was the largest — and most sophisticated — marijuana farm uncovered in the county's history, officials said.

At both Liberty County sites, wells were dug and water was pumped to the crops. Weapons were found at both sites, which also had sleeping and eating accommodations. But the Cleveland site was more like "camping out" with tents, while the Hardin site had tapped into an electrical line, which was used to power an air-conditioning system, fully equipped kitchen, bunk house and gym.

The Cleveland site also had use of a tractor and an indoor marijuana drying room with an exhaust system, while the Hardin site had only some gardening implements, Evans said.

Both sites appeared to have been operating several years. One had chopped stalks, indicating at least one previous harvest.

Law enforcement officers have scouted by helicopter the county's isolated wooded areas and may have pinpointed other sites that could hide marijuana farms.

"We'll be checking them out," said Evans. "And we are asking our residents to report anything that looks suspicious."

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Occupying Austin — Will we find out what's the point?

KEN HERMAN
Cox News Service

■ What does sleeping in parks and waving a sign really accomplish?

In hindsight, we should have had the foresight to have seen this coming when Occupy Austin began Oct. 6 at our City Hall: The unrest that became a movement became a 24/7 demonstration that became a homeless encampment that became ripe for the weekend arrests.

The recent scene at City Hall plaza was Halloween-worthy. I saw sincere protesters carrying protest signs. I saw homeless people in tatters. I saw kids in pajamas. I saw dogs (and a 40-pound bag of dog food). I heard obscenity-laced arguments. And amid macro-protests about societal ills, I heard micro-protests about specific behaviors.

"Just 'cause we're sharing a blanket doesn't give you the right to paw me," a woman yelled at a man after a domestic disturbance under a golf umbrella serving as a domicile du jour.

A few feet away, a man watched the exchange and yelled: "You're making what we're doing here look bad. Hey, there are people watching us. We're on TV."

Down front, a woman with an arrowlike pattern tattooed on her face was engaged in positive child-rearing. "Felix," she said to a small boy, "no candy. You've got to finish breakfast first."

At the food tables, a pathetically dirty man I recognized as being homeless and living downtown was helping himself to fruit — much to the chagrin of a man not happy about seeing the man's filthy hands on the food.

"Just 'cause there are cops here doesn't mean I won't stomp your ass," he warned.

A month into whatever it is, what are we to make of Occupy Austin? As a First Amendment advocate, I must echo Police Chief Art Acevedo's belief that it's a positive, if potentially combustible, example of free speech rights in action.

"I'm proud of the fact that we arrested 37 people Saturday in the police action (and) you didn't see the Austin police being forced to don riot gear," he said, adding, "and that speaks volumes, not only to the police department, but more importantly to the people that actually engaged in civil disobedience — which is common in these types of movements — and did not engage in active violence against the police."

Acevedo's daily goal is protection of people and property. And, he said, homeless folks who have gravitated to Occupy Austin have made that challenging. The problems at the site have "very little to do with the true movement," said the chief, who blamed the problems on "a very aggressive transient population" that has moved in.

"I'm concerned about people leaving bags unattended that we have no clue what's in those bags," Acevedo said. "On any given day, at any government facility across this nation, if we find an unattended bag, it turns into a bomb squad call. It turns into a threat. Not everybody is supportive of these (Occupy) people. There are some extremists — homegrown, violent extremists — in this country that may not be quite aligned with the views of the Occupy movement."

Just like the Occupy folks, the aggressive transient population has free speech rights that must remain inviolate. I even favor free speech for those religious cretins who trumpet their ignorance by protesting at military funerals.

Our democracy works only if rights remain unfettered. But it works best when everyone also understands that rights come with responsibilities.

I have a right to stand outside City Hall and yell. But do you have a reasonable expectation of a City Hall plaza that does not look like a 24-hour homeless encampment? Occupy Austin's proposed solution is a request to be allowed to spend nights in a local park. Is that what our parks are for?

The Occupy movement harbors legitimate, important questions about the state of our union. These days, who doesn't? But a month into Occupy Austin, is it unreasonable to be asking the "What's the point?" question?

"Evil happens when good men do nothing," says an Occupy Austin sign that raises another question: Does sleeping and waving signs at City Hall qualify as doing something?

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Hutchison works to protect military bases in Texas

By Stewart Powell
Houston Chronicle

WASHINGTON — Veteran Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison is working to expand and protect the future of U.S. military bases in Texas.

With little public fanfare, the 18-year Republican Senate insider is trying to transform demands for national budget cuts into opportunity for the Lone Star State in what may be the last chance for the retiring senator to wield such clout over military money.

First, Hutchison is pressing the joint House-Senate committee on deficit reduction to cut spending for expensive overseas military bases as part a $1.5 trillion package expected later this month. Second, she wants an eight-member commission of national security experts to evaluate overseas operations base-by-base "taking into account heightened fiscal constraints" back home.

And finally, she has harnessed her powerful post on the Senate Appropriations Committee to insert little-noticed language into legislation designed to steer overseas units to Texas.

Sixty-six words that were slipped into a 121-page bill providing $142 billion for military construction and veterans affairs next year, for example, would block Pentagon spending for any permanent overseas headquarters for the three-year-old U.S. Africa Command, temporarily housed in Stuttgart, Germany.

Hutchison's maneuver could scuttle other overseas locations for a command HQ responsible for 54 African countries, potentially bolstering Houston's chances of winning the high profile operation for Ellington Field.

"The defense appropriations game is one of the most cut-throat in D.C., because there are very clear winners and losers," says Rice political scientist Mark Jones. "While KBH has been criticized for being a 'Washington insider,' her skills have benefited Texas in general, and a host of communities ranging from Killeen to Del Rio to El Paso in particular."

With many of the 268 U.S. installations in Germany and 124 in Japan facing potential shutdowns, Hutchison is angling to transfer military units and functions to the 17 major facilities in Texas. A prime target: transferring the 170th Infantry Brigade from Baumholder, Germany, back to Fort Bliss.

As Hutchison puts it: "Texas military installations would be a logical first choice for lower-cost and superior facilities for any overseas units being re-deployed stateside."

Five waves of Base Realignment and Closure Commissions including two during Hutchison's tenure have shut down at least 29 military installations in Texas since 1988, including Bergstrom Air Force base near Austin in 1993 and Carswell Air Force Base near Fort Worth in 1994.

Ground combat units have been transferred into and out of large Army bases in Texas, including the 3d Armored Cavalry Regiment that left Fort Bliss for Fort Carson, Colo., in 1995, only to return to Fort Hood.

Hutchison since has tried to make every Texas installation indispensable to the armed forces in anticipation of the next round of base closings.

"She knows what buttons to push and what levers to pull," says Norman Ornstein, a congressional scholar at the American Enterprise Institute. "Not surprisingly, she's hitting every one in anticipation of looming defense cuts and troop withdrawals from overseas."

Her legacy efforts may boost Ellington's future bid to host U.S. Africa Command.

Ellington Field has "a very strong case," says Hutchison, citing Texas-based units shouldering a significant percentage of U.S. military missions in Africa, energy industry ties with the continent and daily flights to several African capitals. "I want to ensure . . . that the location eventually selected best supports the mission."

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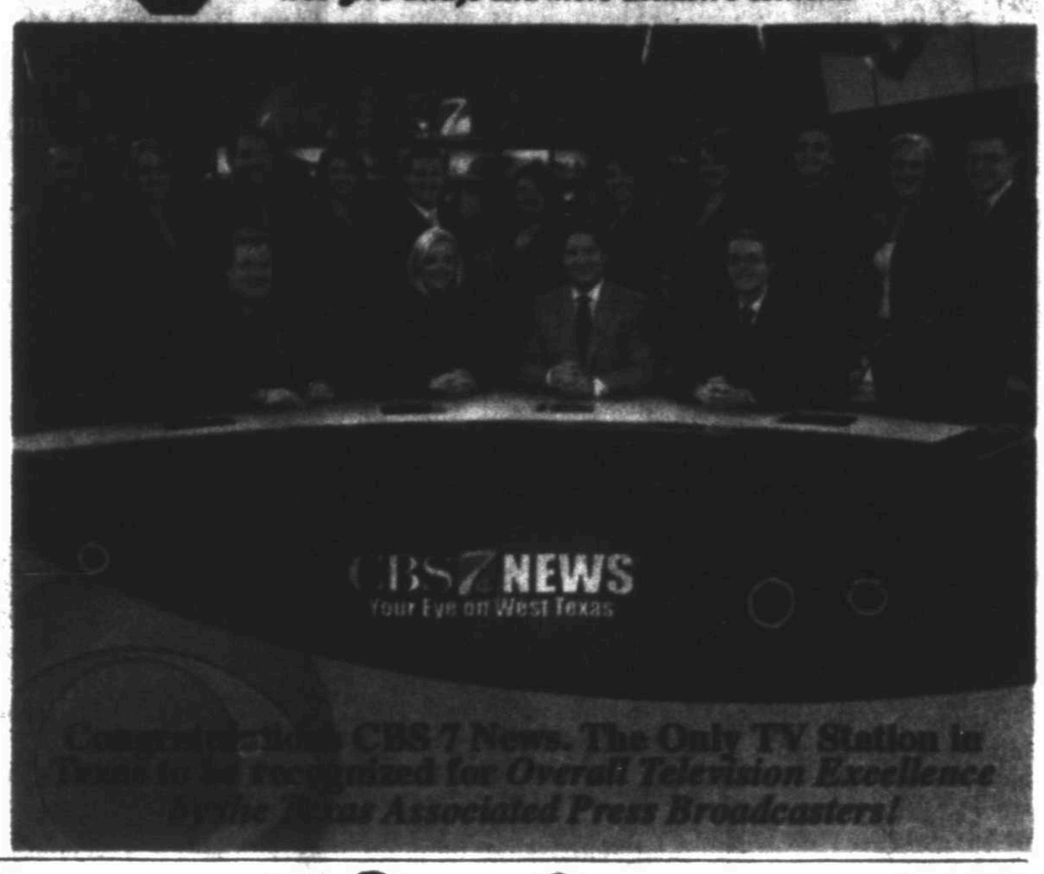

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Sports

Chaps golf team looks to continue improvement

By Len Hayward
Sports Editor

The fall part of the junior college golf schedule is usually a time when coaches and players are working to get to know each other and getting used to the level of play.

Poss

Through the early part of this year's schedule the Midland College golf team seems to have found the right combination already. In three tournaments this fall, the Chaps have two third-place finishes and a second-place finish in Waco.

That's an impressive start for a team that features two sophomores.

Midland College Invitational

- When: Today
- Where: Midland Country Club
- Format: 36 holes, stroke play
- Teams Participating: Odessa College, New Mexico Junior College, Western Texas College, Rangers College, Clarendon College, New Mexico Military Institute, Midland College.

"I've been really impressed and the guys' attitudes have been exceptional," Midland College coach Delnor Poss said. "Their work ethic and the team chemistry is really good. They really communicate well together and practice hard. It's a very close knit group, and I'm pleased with the way they've performed this fall."

Today, the Chaparrals will have a chance to continue their improvement as they play host to the Midland College Invitational at Midland Country Club. The one day tournament will feature 36 holes and and seven teams participating.

Along with Midland College, Western Junior College Athletic Conference rivals Odessa College, New Mexico Junior College, Western Texas College, Clarendon College and New Mexico Military Institute will participate, and Ranger College will also play.

Golfers today will face a course that is close to the conditions the Nationwide Tour players faced nearly a month ago at MCC. Poss said the course is playing tough and that players will have to stay in the fairway to have a chance to score.

"It is playing pretty difficult, and it's a good test of golf for all the teams and as

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Era of change

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Midland High girls basketball coach Ron Berry works with his team Wednesday afternoon. The new coach takes over a team that also has a bunch of new players this season.

MHS girls basketball team tries to gel together as season approaches

By Jonathan Hull
Sports Writer

It's a new era at Midland High.

For the last four years, it's been a given that Paris Webb would be bringing the ball down the court, and among the wealth of talented players she could dish it to was Kelsey Hoppel, who was deadly accurate from 3-point range.

But all good things must pass. Webb and Hoppel both graduated in May, along with dominant forward Dreamika Merchant, leaving the Lady Bulldogs with some significant voids to fill.

But it's not only on the court where one can find new faces at Midland High. The Lady Dawgs are also breaking in a new coach as Ron Berry, who is not short on both experience and success, takes over the Midland High program.

"It's definitely a great opportunity," said Berry, who comes to Midland High with a 714-316 overall record in 39 seasons as a head coach. "With it comes a lot of challenges. We graduated quite a few kids last year, but we are returning a few experienced players. They need to get used to me and I need to get used to them."

Among those returning from last season's 32-5 regional finalist team are seniors Krystal Valdez and Sabrina Banks. Valdez and Banks will be counted on for both their experience and leadership this season as the Lady Dawgs transition to a new coach.

"It's not as easy as we all thought it would be," Banks said. "But we're getting used to him and we're liking it. It's just a matter of working on chemistry."

Added Valdez: "It's really different. We had a lot of chemistry with (former coach T.C. Willis). It's like we're starting a new program with the way he does stuff. It's still fast-paced, but we're running new stuff."

Berry has big expectations of his two returning starters, though.

"They're our two biggest leaders right now in that they have the most experience," Berry said. "They got to see success first-hand last year. Their roles are different, though. Last year, they were more supportive figures. This year, it's more where they have to be the ones that produce."

After Valdez and Banks, the Lady Bulldogs do return six other lettermen from last season's team. However, most of those players saw no playing time during the Lady Dawgs playoff run and the ones who did get on the court received limited minutes.

"We have a team full of kids who either played on varsity and didn't get a lot of playing time or were on junior varsity last year," Berry said. "We've got to get them experienced and playing the way we need them to in a short time."

And since the Lady Bulldogs are trying to become more familiar with a new coach, while also breaking in a somewhat inexperienced group of players, the non-

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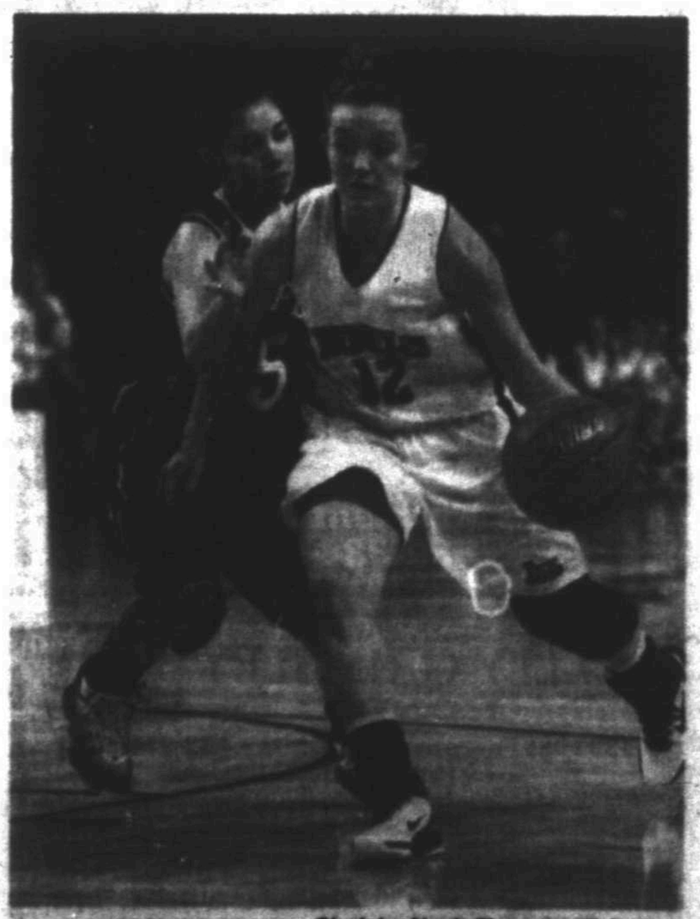
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Lee's Kortni Edwards (12) drives in as she's guarded by Abilene Cooper's Ashley Valerio (15) during a game last season at Chaparral Center.

Edwards looks for more out of Lady Rebels this season

By Jonathan Hull
Sports Writer

Kortni Edwards has been through it all as a member of the Lee girls basketball team.

Edwards has endured the lows that came during a three-win season two years ago. But she's also experienced the highs as Lee bounced back last year to qualify for the postseason for the first time since 2008.

As Edwards enters her fourth and final year as a varsity player, the Lee senior's expectations are now higher than ever.

"We definitely want to have a winning season, building off of last year and getting into the playoffs," Edwards said. "We want to finish better than fourth place. I think we can go as far as saying that maybe we can win a district championship."

Just two seasons ago, a district title for the Lady Rebels seemed almost unfathomable. But with the District 3-5A race appearing wide open with no clearcut favorite and the Rebels returning nine letterwinners from last year's squad, it seems a league title could become a reality for Lee.

"We've been talking about winning more games and being more consistent," Lee coach Rosalind Lawrence said. "We want to go a little deeper in the playoffs. We went into every game just wanting to compete and put ourselves in a position to win. But now we know we should win some games. We should be more than just competitive. Those are the expectations we have for ourselves now."

Edwards is at the heart of those expectations because of both her experience and her abilities.

"She's so much to this program," Lawrence said. "The good, the bad, she's been around for it all. We really depend on her leadership, her court awareness and of course her shooting. The only position she doesn't play is post and I'm sure if we asked her to get down on the block she'd be more than willing to do it."

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JORDAN MASON
Sports Writer

MHS is in the playoffs, but the road gets a whole lot tougher

Lee gave its crosstown rival a helping hand Friday when it stopped Odessa High on a 4th and 7 with 1:30 left in the game.

That all but ensured that the Bronchos weren't going to come within a field goal of Lee in its season finale, and, 30 seconds later, Luke Stice did ensure that when he raced untouched to the end zone for the final score in a 31-14 win, propelling Midland High to the postseason.

What Lee wasn't able to do for Midland High, or Odessa Permian for that matter, was get its rivals an easier path to the state title.

If Midland High or Permian is to reach the state championship, or even the state semifinals, they will have to go through what may be the toughest region in the state.

Region I of Class 5A Division I was a bloodbath last season, with nationally-ranked teams falling as early as the second round, and this year will be no different.

Region I boasts three undefeated teams — Allen, Euless Trinity and Southlake Carrroll — all of whom were ranked in the top 10 of the latest Associated Press 5A poll. And that doesn't include District 5-5A champion Cedar Hill, who received votes.

Region II of Class 5A Division I boasts two top-10 teams in Skyline and DeSoto, but no one else in the region even received votes in the AP poll.

Region II of Class 5A Division II has three undefeated teams, but only one, defending Division II champion Cibolo Steele, is ranked in the AP top 10.

Only Region I can boast three undefeateds and three top-10 teams.

And even when you get past perennial powers Allen, Trinity and Carroll, there's still five teams in the Metroplex-heavy region — Arlington Martin, Cedar Hill, Duncanville, Arlington Bowie and Keller Central — that are ranked in the top 20 of The Dallas Morning News Area 5A poll.

For high school football fans, the

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Romo's 2 TD passes lift Cowboys by Seahawks

By Jaime Aron
Associated Press

ARLINGTON — There was a drive that fizzled 2 yards from the end zone, followed immediately by a drive that fizzled inside the 1. Both drew loud boos, yet at least the Dallas Cowboys got field goals each time.

All they got on the next series was a lost fumble inside the 1.

As inefficient as the start was, Tony Romo and the Cowboys managed to keep frustration from bogging them down. Romo threw for a pair of touchdowns in the second half and the defense was solid throughout, lifting Dallas to a 23-13 victory over the Seattle Seahawks on Sunday.

"You just keep attacking," Romo said.

The Cowboys (4-4) bounced back from a flop in Philadelphia and ended a skid of three losses in four games. Now they're hoping this victory can start a midseason surge. Three of their next four foes have losing records, and they'll come out of that potentially momentum-building run with two games still to play against the division-leading Giants.

"You can't just hover around .500," tight end Jason Witten said. "You need to make a run and make a push to stay in the hunt."

The biggest building block is the chance for a balanced offense. While Romo was 19 of 31 for 279 yards, rookie DeMarco Murray turned 22 carries into 139 yards. He also caught four passes for 47 yards.

Murray has proven that his 253-yard performance in his first extended action was no fluke. Whenever Felix

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SUNDAY'S NFL ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

TEXANS 30, BROWNS 12

HOUSTON — Arian Foster rushed for 124 yards, Ben Tate ran for 115 as Houston set a franchise record with 261 yards on the ground.

The Texans (5-3), playing without injured receiver Andre Johnson for the fifth straight game, had a pair of 100-yard rushers for the second time in three weeks and moved three games over .500 for the first time.

The Browns (3-5) totaled 172 yards, the third straight opponent Houston has held under 200.

DOLPHINS 31, CHIEFS 3

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The Miami Dolphins are no longer winless. Matt Moore threw for 244 yards and three touchdowns, Reggie Bush had 92 yards rushing and another score and the Dolphins walloped the Kansas City Chiefs 31-3 on Sunday.

Moore, who took over after Chad Henne had season-ending shoulder surgery, became the first Dolphins quarterback since Chad Pennington in 2008 to throw three TD passes. Two of them went to tight end Anthony Fasano and another to Brandon Marshall, who finished with eight catches for 106 yards.

FALCONS 31, COLTS 7

INDIANAPOLIS — Julio Jones caught touchdown passes of 50 and 80 yards to keep Indianapolis winless.

The Falcons (5-3) won their third straight and earned their first road victory in a series that dates to 1966. The Colts have lost five straight home games for the first time since 2001, and this defeat was every bit as lopsided as the score.

PACKERS 45, CHARGERS 38

SAN DIEGO — Aaron Rodgers threw touchdown passes to four receivers, Green Bay returned two Philip Rivers interceptions for scores and the Packers withstood a wild finish to remain the NFL's only undefeated team.

The Packers improved to 8-0 behind Rodgers, who completed 21 of 26 passes for 247 yards. He has an NFL-high 24 TD passes.

GIANTS 24, PATRIOTS 20

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — Eli Manning hit Jake Ballard for a 1-yard touchdown pass with 15 seconds left, repeating a Giants' comeback victory similar to the 2008 Super Bowl between the teams.

The Giants won that one, 17-14, on Manning's 13-yard scoring pass to Plaxico Burress with 35 seconds remaining. This time, it looked like the Patriots would win with a comeback of their own when Tom Brady threw a 14-yard scoring pass to Rob Gronkowski, making it 20-17 with 1:36 to go.

49ERS 19, REDSKINS 11

LANDOVER, Md. — Frank Gore ran for 107 yards, and the NFL's stingiest scoring defense forced three turnovers as San Francisco ran its winning streak to six games.

The 49ers improved to 7-1 and have their longest winning streak since 1997. They are also 4-0 on the road for the first time since 1992 and hold a commanding lead in the NFC West.

JETS 27, BILLS 11

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — Mark Sanchez threw a touchdown to Santonio Holmes, and the Jets' sturdy defense forced three turnovers in a key AFC East midseason showdown.

Sanchez's 8-yard pass to Holmes with 3:27 left in the third quarter helped blow open the game as the Jets (5-3) won their third straight — and first on the road — to move into a tie with the Bills (5-3). LaDainian Tomlinson also scored on a 1-yard dive in the second half, three plays after Jim Leonhard recovered Fred Jackson's fumble.**BENGALS 24, TITANS 17**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Andy Dalton threw for three touchdowns and 217 yards, and Cincinnati rallied from a 10-point deficit for their fifth straight victory.

The Bengals (6-2) last won five in a row in 1968 when they won the AFC championship and went to their second Super Bowl. They also improved to 4-1 on the road with the rookie quarterback leading the Bengals to 17 unanswered points as he tossed TD passes to three different receivers.

CARDINALS 19, RAMS 13 OT

GLENDALE, Ariz. — Rookie Patrick Peterson returned a punt 99 yards for a touchdown in overtime to lift Arizona.

Peterson, whose pass interference penalty moments earlier seemed to set up the Rams (1-7) for a game-winning field goal, fielded the ball at the 1. He evaded and bounced off tacklers over the next 30 yards or so, then outran everyone, striding the last few yards in celebration of his third punt return TD of the season as Arizona (2-6) snapped a six-game losing streak.

BRONCOS 35, RAIDERS 24

OAKLAND, Calif. — Eddie Royal returned a punt 85 yards for the tiebreaking score, Willis McGahee ran for 163 yards and Tim Tebow threw two touchdown passes.

McGahee had a 60-yard touchdown run that tied the game on the first play after Carson Palmer threw his second of three interceptions for the Raiders (4-4). McGahee then added a 24-yard to ice it.

SAINTS 27, BUCCANEERS 16

NEW ORLEANS. — Drew Brees passed for 258 yards and two touchdowns, and New Orleans running backs combined for 195 yards rushing. Brees' scoring passes went for 3 yards to Lance Moore and 21 yards to Darren Sproles. Pierre Thomas added a tackle-breaking 9-yard score for the Saints (6-3), who saw their running game bounce back after gaining only 56 yards in a humbling loss at St. Louis a week earlier.

RAVENS 23, STEELERS 20: At Pittsburgh, Joe Flacco hit Torrey Smith for a 26-yard touchdown pass with 8 seconds to go, lifting the Baltimore Ravens past the Pittsburgh Steelers, 23-20 on Sunday night.

Five plays after letting a sure touchdown toss tip off his hands, Smith capped Baltimore's game-winning 92-yard drive by beating William Gay down the right sideline as the Ravens (6-2) snapped Pittsburgh's four-game winning streak.

SUNDAY'S BOXES

FROM WIRE REPORTS

COWBOYS 23, SEAHAWKS 13

Seattle	3	3	0	7 — 13
Dallas	3	3	7	10 — 23

First Quarter
Dal—FG Bailey 20, 4:25
Sea—FG Hauschka 45, :04
Second Quarter
Dal—FG Bailey 20, 10:23
Sea—FG Hauschka 32, 1:03
Third Quarter
Dal—Witten 33 pass from Romo (Bailey kick), 8:39
Fourth Quarter
Dal—Robinson 6 pass from Romo (Bailey kick), 14:10
Dal—FG Bailey 42, 11:22
Sea—Lynch 4 run (Hauschka kick), 6:12
A—81,510

	Sea	Dal
First downs	18	18
Total Net Yards	381	442
Rushes-yards	30-162	29-163
Passing	219	279
Comp-Att-int	17-30-0	19-31-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-2	0-0
Punts	3-61.0	4-43.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	10-88	7-82
Time of Possession	30:33	29:27

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Seattle, Lynch 23-135, Washington 3-16, Forsett 2-8, Jackson 2-3. Dallas, Murray 22-139, Romo 3-13, Tanner 4-11.
PASSING—Seattle, Jackson 17-30-3-221. Dallas, Romo 19-31-0-279.
RECEIVING—Seattle, Rice 3-69, Williams 3-41, Baldwin 3-31, A.McCoy 2-44, Forsett 2-14, Obomanu 2-6, Lynch 1-8, Tate 1-8. Dallas, Robinson 5-32, Bryant 4-76, Witten 4-71, Murray 4-47, Austin 2-53.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—Seattle, Hauschka 41 (BK).

TEXANS 30, BROWNS 12

Cleveland	3	0	3	6 — 12
Houston	14	10	3	3 — 30

First Quarter
Hou—Tate 21 run (Rackers kick), 9:50
Hou—Schaub 2 run (Rackers kick), 7:11
Cle—FG Dawson 50, 3:43
Second Quarter
Hou—Foster 19 run (Rackers kick), 8:06
Hou—FG Rackers 28, :00
Third Quarter
Hou—FG Rackers 21, 5:45
Cle—FG Dawson 51, 2:08
Fourth Quarter
Hou—FG Rackers 50, 10:35
Cle—Cribbs 2 pass from McCoy (pass failed), 4:47
A—71,511

	Cle	Hou
First downs	10	21
Total Net Yards	172	386
Rushes-yards	21-44	40-261
Passing	128	115
Comp-Att-int	14-22-1	4-23-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	4-18	0-0
Punts	4-43.8	2-47.5
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	4-35	2-15
Time of Possession	24:45	35:15

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Cleveland, Ogbonnaya 13-28, Clayton 5-10, McCoy 3-6. Houston, Foster 19-124, Tate 12-115, Ward 6-22, Schaub 3-0.
PASSING—Cleveland, McCoy 14-22-1-146. Houston, Schaub 14-23-1-119.
RECEIVING—Cleveland, Cribbs 5-50, Little 2-33, Watson 2-28, Moore 2-11, Ogbonnaya 1-13, Cameron 1-7, Norwood 1-6. Houston, Foster 5-38, Daniels 3-32, Jones 2-28, Dreessen 2-27, Walter 1-5, Casey 1-1.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—None

SAINTS 27, BUCCANEERS 16

Tampa Bay	0	3	3	10 — 16
New Orleans	7	10	7	3 — 27

First Quarter
NO—Moore 3 pass from Brees (Kasay kick), 2:27
Second Quarter
NO—Sproles 21 pass from Brees (Kasay kick), 8:34
TB—FG Barth 40, 1:39
NO—FG Kasay 21, :00
Third Quarter
TB—FG Barth 48, 9:29
NO—P.Thomas 9 run (Kasay kick), 3:11
Fourth Quarter
TB—FG Barth 25, 11:08
TB—Winslow 5 pass from Freeman (Barth kick), 5:33
NO—FG Kasay 34, 1:17
A—73,043

	TB	NO
First downs	18	25
Total Net Yards	366	453
Rushes-yards	20-84	28-195
Passing	281	258
Comp-Att-int	27-37-0	27-36-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-0	0-0
Punts	3-39.7	2-56.5
Fumbles-Lost	3-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	9-80	9-63
Time of Possession	29:56	30:04

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Tampa Bay, Blount 13-72, Freeman 3-8, Lumpkin 2-7, J.Johnson 1-1, Benn 1-(minus 4). New Orleans, Ivory 15-67, P.Thomas 8-66, Sproles 4-42, Brees 1-20.
PASSING—Tampa Bay, Freeman 27-37-0-281. New Orleans, Brees 27-36-1-258.
RECEIVING—Tampa Bay, Williams 6-46, Lumpkin 4-31, Winslow 4-28, Parker 3-58, Pianalto 2-24, Benn 2-22, Lorig 2-12, Blount 2-8, Briscoe 1-46, Spurlock 1-7. New Orleans, Graham 6-78, Sproles 5-57, Colston 5-52, P.Thomas 4-25, Moore 3-20, Henderson 2-13, Gillmore 1-8, D.Thomas 1-4.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—New Orleans, Kasay 42 (WR).

49ERS 19, REDSKINS 11

San Francisco	0	10	3	6 — 19
Washington	0	3	0	8 — 11

Second Quarter
SF—FG Akers 52, 12:49
SF—FG Akers 34, 1:50
SF—Miller 30 pass from Ale.Smith (Akers kick), 1:03
Was—FG Gano 59, :00
Third Quarter
SF—FG Akers 45, 4:23
Fourth Quarter
SF—FG Akers 20, 7:41
Was—Galloway 9 pass from Rec. (Hartenstein pass from Beck), 1:10
A—76,032

	SF	Was
First downs	15	17
Total Net Yards	309	303
Rushes-yards	33-139	15-52
Passing	170	251
Comp-Att-int	17-24-0	30-47-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-12	1-3
Punts	5-44.6	5-48.8
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	4-2
Penalties-Yards	9-65	3-25
Time of Possession	32:19	27:41

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—San Francisco, Gore 19-107, Hunter 5-25, Ale.Smith 4-6, Walker 1-(minus 3). Washington, Hills 9-41, Beck 4-9, Torain 1-2.
PASSING—San Francisco, Ale.Smith 17-24-0-220. Washington, Beck 30-47-1-254.
RECEIVING—San Francisco, Crabtree 5-61, V.Davis 4-41, Edwards 2-30, Walker 2-15, Miller 1-30, Gonz.jr 1-14, K.Williams 1-12, Goer 1-7. Washington, Hsu 14-105, Davis 4-42, Galloway 4-40, Hartleroad 4-34, Austin 2-14, Young 1-12, Torain 1-7.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—None

JETS 27, BILLS 11

N.Y. Jets	0	3	17	7 — 27
Buffalo	0	0	3	8 — 11

Second Quarter
NYJ—FG Folk 49, 2:52
Third Quarter
NYJ—FG Folk 50, 10:16
NYJ—Tomlinson 1 run (Folk kick), 8:34
Buf—FG Lindell 24, 4:47
NYJ—Holmes 8 pass from Sanchez (Folk kick), 3:27
Fourth Quarter
NYJ—Conner 1 run (Folk kick), 6:27
Buf—Nelson 7 pass from Fitzpatrick (Fitzpatrick run), 3:14
A—70,133

	NYJ	Buf
First downs	14	14
Total Net Yards	348	287
Rushes-yards	39-126	22-96
Passing	222	191
Comp-Att-int	20-28-1	15-31-2
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-8	0-0
Punts	2-35.5	4-47.5
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	2-1
Penalties-Yards	9-60	5-84
Time of Possession	31:52	22:08

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—N.Y.Jets, Greene 19-76, McKnight 9-27, Tomlinson 5-18, Conner 2-8, Sanchez 4-(minus 3). Buffalo, Jackson 18-82, Fitzpatrick 2-9, Spiller 2-5.
PASSING—N.Y.Jets, Sanchez 20-28-1-230. Buffalo, Fitzpatrick 15-31-2-191.
RECEIVING—N.Y.Jets, Burress 5-79, Keller 4-64, Kerley 4-23, Tomlinson 3-30, Holmes 3-29, Baker 1-5. Buffalo, Nelson 4-36, St.Johnson 3-84, Jackson 3-38, Chandler 3-24, Jones 1-6, Roosevelt 1-3.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—N.Y.Jets, Folk 50 (WR).

DOLPHINS 31, CHIEFS 3

Miami	7	7	14	3 — 31
Kansas City	3	0	0	0 — 3

First Quarter
KC—FG Succop 43, 7:11
Mia—Fasano 3 pass from Mat.Moore (Carpenter kick), 4:6
Second Quarter
Mia—Fasano 35 pass from Mat.Moore (Carpenter kick), 9:41
Third Quarter
Mia—Marshall 14 pass from Mat.Moore (Carpenter kick), 8:38
Mia—Bush 28 run (Carpenter kick), 6:41
Fourth Quarter
Mia—FG Carpenter 42, 8:08
A—72,263

	Mia	KC
First downs	20	20
Total Net Yards	351	343
Rushes-yards	24-107	34-116
Passing	244	227
Comp-Att-int	17-23-0	20-39-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	0-0	5-26
Punts	5-44.2	5-45.8
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	2-0
Penalties-Yards	7-49	6-70
Time of Possession	25:21	34:39

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Miami, Bush 13-92, Thomas 7-12, Mat.Moore 4-3, Kansas City, Battle 14-40, Cassel 9-38, McCluster 1-38, Jones 3-5, Colquitt 1-(minus 3).
PASSING—Miami, Mat.Moore 17-23-0-244. Kansas City, Cassel 20-39-0-253.
RECEIVING—Miami, Marshall 8-106, Bush 3-50, Clay 3-50, Fasano 2-38, Bess 1-0. Kansas City, Breaston 7-115, Bowe 6-88, Baldwin 1-12, Battle 1-9, Pope 1-9, McCluster 1-8, Colbert 1-5, McClain 1-4, O'Connell 1-3.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—None

FALCONS 31, COLTS 7

Atlanta	14	7	7	3 — 31
Indianapolis	0	7	0	0 — 7

First Quarter
Atl—Turner 1 run (Bryant kick), 11:38
Atl—Jones 50 pass from Ryan (Bryant kick), 2:51
Second Quarter
Atl—Jones 80 pass from Ryan (Bryant kick), 11:55
Ind—Powers 6 interception return (Vinatieri kick), 7:47
Third Quarter
Atl—Gonzalez 1 pass from Ryan (Bryant kick), 2:50
Fourth Quarter
Atl—FG Bryant 20, 10:15
A—65,218

	Atl	Ind
First downs	21	10
Total Net Yards	432	186
Rushes-yards	41-163	21-83
Passing	269	103
Comp-Att-int	14-24-1	17-33-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-6	2-15
Punts	7-45.9	9-50.1
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	1-10	6-32
Time of Possession	37:46	22:14

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Atlanta, Turner 19-71, Rodgers 10-44, Jones 2-33, Snelling 8-13, Ryan 2-2. Indianapolis, D.Brown 16-70, Carter 4-8, Painter 1-5.
PASSING—Atlanta, Ryan 14-24-1-275. Indianapolis, Painter 13-27-1-96, Orlovsky 4-6-0-20.
RECEIVING—Atlanta, White 4-76, Gonzalez 4-36, Jones 3-101, Rodgers 1-16, Palmer 1-6, Turner 1-7. Indianapolis, Collie 4-32, Wayne 4-30, Garcon 3-22, Clark 2-21, Tamme 2-8, Eldridge 1-8, D.Brown 1-1.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.

Bengals 24, Titans 17

Cincinnati	0	7	7	10 — 24
Tennessee	3	14	0	0 — 17

First Quarter
Ten—FG Bironas 43, 7:20
Second Quarter
Cin—Cochart 1 pass from Dalton (Nugent kick), 10:41.
Ten—Williams 8 pass from Hasselbeck (Bironas kick), 5:18.
Ten—L.Hawkins 16 pass from Hasselbeck (Bironas kick), :08.
Third Quarter
Cin—Simpson 15 pass from Dalton (Nugent kick), 6:33.
Fourth Quarter
Cin—Caldwell 5 pass from Dalton (Nugent kick), 10:52.
Cin—FG Nugent 36, 1:55.
A—69,143.

	Cin	Ten
First downs	20	19
Total Net Yards	419	323
Rushes-yards	30-108	20-79
Passing	310	250
Comp-Att-int	22-35-0	24-41-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-7	2-25
Punts	7-41.0	7-45.7
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	3-1
Penalties-Yards	6-41	7-100
Time of Possession	32:37	27:23

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Cincinnati, Benson 20-76, Scott 6-24, Dalton 3-4, Leonard 1-3. Tennessee, Johnson 14-64, Ringer 4-11, Hasselbeck 2-3.
PASSING—Cincinnati, Dalton 22-35-0-217. Tennessee, Hasselbeck 24-41-0-272.
RECEIVING—Cincinnati, Green 7-63, Caldwell 5-22, Lee 3-49, Simpson 3-43, Presley 2-13, Cochart 2-7. Tennessee, L.Hawkins 5-63, Cook 4-47, Johnson 4-46, Williams 4-34, Washington 3-28, Stevens 1-25, Ringer 1-14, Hall 1-9, Marshall 1-6.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.

RAMS 19, CARDINALS 13

St. Louis	3	6	4	0	—13
Arizona	3	0	3	7	—13

First Quarter
Ari—FG Feely 27, 10:51
StL—FG Jo.Brown 49, 4:38
Second Quarter
StL—FG Jo.Brown 37, 7:02
StL—FG Jo.Brown 41, :00.
Third Quarter
Ari—FG Feely 38, 10:30
StL—Hall safety, 7:24.
StL—Team safety, 3:31
Fourth Quarter
Ari—Fitzgerald 13 pass from Skelton (Feely kick), 4:51.
Overtime
Ari—Peterson 99 punt return, 13:03.
A—40,628.

	StL	Ari
First downs	23	16
Total Net Yards	303	262
Rushes-yards	35-150	17-70
Passing	233	192
Comp-Att-int	23-36-1	20-35-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	4-22	3-30
Punts	7-50.3	6-46.3
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-0
Penalties-Yards	9-71	6-45
Time of Possession	36:58	24:59

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—St.Louis, S.Jackson 29-130, Williams 3-17, Bradford 1-2, Miller 2-1. Arizona, Skelton 4-38, Wells 10-20, Taylor 2-8, Stephens-Howling 1-4.
PASSING—St.Louis, Bradford 23-36-1-255. Arizona, Skelton 20-35-0-222.
RECEIVING—St.Louis, Salas 7-59, Lloyd 5-80, B.Gibson 5-54, Pettis 4-43, S.Jackson 1-12, Kendricks 1-7. Arizona, Doucet 6-78, Roberts 5-55, Fitzgerald 4-43, Gray 2-25, Wells 2-13, Taylor 1-8.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—None

GIANTS 20, PATRIOTS 17

N.Y. Giants	0	0	10	14 — 24
New England	0	0	3	17 — 20

Third Quarter
NYG—FG Tynes 22, 10:09
NYG—Jacobs 10 run (Tynes kick), 9:10
NE—FG Gostkowski 32, 5:29
Fourth Quarter
NE—Hernandez 5 pass from Brady (Gostkowski kick), 14:28
NE—FG Gostkowski 45, 7:08
NYG—Manningham 10 pass from Manning (Tynes kick), 3:03
NE—R.Gronkowski 14 pass from Brady (Gostkowski kick), 1:36
NYG—Ballard 1 pass from Manning (Tynes kick), :15
A—68,756

	NYG	NE
First downs	23	23
Total Net Yards	361	438
Rushes-yards	29-111	24-106
Passing	250	332
Comp-Att-int	20-39-1	28-49-2
Sacked-Yards Lost	0-0	2-10
Punts	8-43.1	5-45.0
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	2-2
Penalties-Yards	6-50	7-81
Time of Possession	30:17	29:43

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—N.Y.Giants, Jacobs 18-72, Ware 7-23, Manning 3-11, Scott 1-5. New England, Green-Ellis 12-52, Woodhead 1-26, Welker 1-13, Ridley 3-10, Brady 1-5.
RUSHING—N.Y.Giants, Manning 20-39-1-250. New England, Brady 28-49-2-342.
RECEIVING—N.Y.Giants, Cruz 6-91, Ballard 4-67, Jacobs 4-28, Manningham 3-33, Barden 2-24, Pascoe 1-7. New England, Welker 9-136, R.Gronkowski 8-101, Hernandez 4-35, Woodhead 3-34, Branch 2-21, Green-Ellis 1-11, Ridley 1-2, Edelman 0-2.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—New England, Gostkowski 27 (WL).

BRONCOS 38, RAIDERS 24

Denver	7	0	17	14 — 38
Oakland	3	14	7	0 — 24

First Quarter
Oak—FG Janikowski 48, 7:35
Den—Decker 27 pass from Tebow (Prater kick), 1:11
Second Quarter
Oak—Bush 11 pass from Palmer (Janikowski kick), 10:42
Oak—Reece 40 pass from Palmer (Janikowski kick), 1:30
Third Quarter
Den—Royal 26 pass from Tebow (Prater kick), 10:48
Oak—Ford 18 pass from Palmer (Janikowski kick), 6:41
Den—FG Prater 43, 2:53.
Den—McGahee 60 run (Prater kick), :00
Fourth Quarter
Den—Royal 85 punt return (Prater kick), 5:53.
Den—McGahee 24 run (Prater kick), 1:53.
A—58,125.

	Den	Oak
First downs	20	21
Total Net Yards	411	410
Rushes-yards	39-228	26-100
Passing	113	310
Comp-Att-int	10-22-0	19-35-3
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-11	2-18
Punts	5-47.8	6-50.5
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-0
Penalties-Yards	11-69	15-130
Time of Possession	31:51	28:09

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Denver, McGahee 20-163, Tebow 12-117, Ball 4-14, Moreno 2-4. Oakland, Bush 19-66, Palmer 5-9, T.Jones 2-1.
PASSING—Denver, Tebow 10-21-0-124, Colquitt 0-1-0-0. Oakland, Palmer 19-35-3-332.
RECEIVING—Denver, Decker 3-47, Royal 2-25, Moreno 2-4, D.Thomas 1-28, Rosario 1-13, Fells 1-8. Oakland, Ford 5-105, Moore 4-81, Reece 3-61, Bush 2-33, Schilens 2-20, Houshmandzadeh 1-28, Murphy 1-23, Myers 1-11.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—Denver, Prater 43 (WL).

PACKERS 45, CHARGERS 38

Green Bay	21	7	3	14	—45
San Diego	7	10	7	14	—38

First Quarter
SD—Jackson 23 pass from Rivers (Nowak kick), 10:32.
GB—Finley 5 pass from Rodgers (Crosby kick), 5:40
GB—Peprah 40 interception return (Crosby kick), 4:33
GB—T.Williams 43 interception return (Crosby kick), 1:52.
Second Quarter
SD—Tolbert 8 run (Nowak kick), 14:08
GB—FG Nowak 52, 5:46
GB—Nelson 16 pass from Rodgers (Crosby kick), :18
Third Quarter
GB—FG Crosby 47, 8:25.
SD—Gates 11 pass from Rivers (Nowak kick), 1:58
Fourth Quarter
GB—J.Jones 21 pass from Rodgers (Crosby kick), 13:00
SD—G.Jennings 4 pass from Rodgers (Crosby kick), 10:27
SD—Jackson 5 pass from Rivers (Nowak kick), 7:32
SD—Jackson 29 pass from Rivers (Nowak kick), 6:25
A—68,908.

	GB	SD
First downs	21	28
Total Net Yards	398	480
Rushes-yards	26-136	21-85
Passing	232	375
Comp-Att-int	21-26-0	26-46-3
Sacked-Yards Lost	4-15	2-10
Punts	2-54.0	2-49.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-0
Penalties-Yards	5-33	8-64
Time of Possession	29:45	30:15

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Green Bay, Starks 13-66, Rodgers 6-52, Grant 4-16, Kuhn 1-2. San Diego, Tolbert 19-83, Hester 1-3, Rivers 1-(minus 1).
PASSING—Green Bay, Rodgers 21-26-0-247. San Diego, Rivers 26-46-3-385.
RECEIVING—Green Bay, G.Jennings 6-46, Nelson 5-106, Finley 3-44, Driver 2-18, J.Jones 1-21, Starks 1-8, Kuhn 1-4. San Diego, Gates 5-96, Jackson 7-141, V.Brown 4-79, Tolbert 4-59, Crayton 1-5, McMichael 1-3, Hester 1-2.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—None

RAVENS 23, STEELERS 20

Baltimore	3	6	7	7 — 23
Pittsburgh	0	6	0	14 — 20

First Quarter
Bal—FG Cundiff 18, 8:10
Second Quarter
Pit—FG Suisham 36, 14:05
Bal—FG Cundiff 43, 9:28
Pit—FG Suisham 30, 1:05
Bal—FG Cundiff 51, :00
Third Quarter
Bal—Rice 4 run (Cundiff kick), 4:59
Fourth Quarter
Pit—Mendenhall 1 run (Suisham kick), 14:32
Pit—Wallace 25 pass from Roethlisberger (Suisham kick), 4:58
Bal—T.Smith 26 pass from Flacco (Cundiff kick), :08
A—64,851

	Bal	Pit
First downs	23	20
Total Net Yards	356	392
Rushes-yards	27-67	20-70
Passing	289	322
Comp-Att-int	28-47-0	20-37-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	3-11	1-8
Punts	2-45.0	3-33.3
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	3-20	5-69
Time of Possession	33:59	26:01

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Baltimore, Rice 18-43, R.Williams 9-24. Pittsburgh, Mendenhall 13-52, Roethlisberger 3-13, Cotchery 1-3, Redman 3-2.
PASSING—Baltimore, Flacco 28-47-0-300. Pittsburgh, Roethlisberger 20-37-1-330.
RECEIVING—Baltimore, Boldin 7-88, T.Smith 5-71, Pitta 5-46, Rice 5-45, L.Williams 2-28, Dickson 2-8, R.Williams 1-11, Leach 1-5. Pittsburgh, A.Brown 5-108, Miller 5-73, Wallace 4-68, Cotchery 3-44, Johnson 1-25, Redman 1-8, Mendenhall 1-3.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—Baltimore, Cundiff 40 (WR).

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FROM STAFF REPORTS

Benson

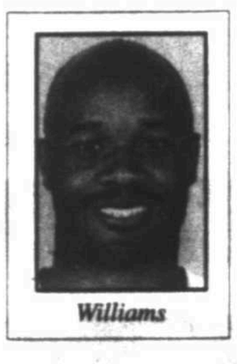
CEDRIC BENSON
RB, CINCINNATI BENGALS
(LEE HIGH SCHOOL)

Benson returned to action Sunday against the Tennessee Titans after serving a one-game suspension. The former Rebel had 78 yards on 20 carries with a long of 16.

Winston

ERIC WINSTON
OT, HOUSTON TEXANS
(LEE HIGH SCHOOL)

Winston and the Texans' offensive line continued rolling Sunday, paving the way for 261 rushing yards in a 30-12 win against the Cleveland Browns. It was the Texans' third win in a row by double-digits as Arian Foster and Ben Tate both surpassed the century mark on the ground. Winston did, however, had a holding penalty in the first quarter.


Williams

ROY WILLIAMS
WR, CHICAGO BEARS
(ODESSA PERMIAN HIGH SCHOOL)

Williams' Bears will take on the Philadelphia Eagle tonight on Monday Night Football following a bye in Week 8.

NFL STANDINGS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
New England	5	3	0	.625	222	184	1-1-0	4-2-0	1-1-0	2-0-0	
N.Y. Jets	5	3	0	.625	199	163	4-0-0	1-3-0	4-3-0	1-0-0	2-1-0
Buffalo	5	3	0	.625	222	174	4-1-0	1-2-0	3-2-0	2-1-0	1-1-0
Miami	1	7	0	.125	138	189	0-3-0	1-4-0	1-5-0	0-2-0	0-4-0
South											
Houston	5	3	0	.625	236	157	4-1-0	1-2-0	4-0-0	1-2-0	
Tennessee	4	4	0	.500	156	169	3-2-0	1-2-0	4-4-0	0-0-0	1-2-0
Jacksonville	2	6	0	.250	98	183	2-2-0	0-4-0	2-4-0	0-2-0	1-1-0
Indianapolis	0	9	0	.000	128	283	0-4-0	0-5-0	0-6-0	0-3-0	0-0-0
North											
Cincinnati	6	2	0	.750	195	140	3-1-0	3-1-0	4-1-0	2-1-0	
Baltimore	6	2	0	.750	208	130	4-0-0	2-2-0	4-2-0	2-0-0	2-0-0
Pittsburgh	6	3	0	.667	196	162	4-1-0	2-2-0	4-3-0	2-0-0	0-0-0
Cleveland	3	5	0	.375	119	170	2-2-0	1-3-0	2-4-0	1-1-0	0-1-0
West											
Kansas City	4	4	0	.500	131	201	2-2-0	2-2-0	3-3-0	1-1-0	2-1-0
San Diego	4	4	0	.500	199	204	3-1-0	1-3-0	3-3-0	1-1-0	2-1-0
Oakland	4	4	0	.500	184	216	2-3-0	2-1-0	4-4-0	0-0-0	1-2-0
Denver	3	5	0	.375	171	224	1-3-0	2-2-0	3-3-0	0-2-0	1-2-0

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	NFC	AFC	Div
N.Y. Giants	6	2	0	.750	198

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	15	6	5	3	21	45	34
Philadelphia	14	6	4	4	18	46	38
NY Rangers	13	7	5	1	15	35	29
New Jersey	12	6	5	1	13	30	34
NY Islanders	14	5	8	1	11	30	39

Northeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Toronto	14	9	4	1	19	45	46
Buffalo	13	8	5	0	16	39	29
Ottawa	16	7	7	1	15	45	53
Montreal	13	5	6	2	12	34	36
Boston	12	5	7	0	10	34	29

Southeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	12	9	3	0	18	48	33
Tampa Bay	14	7	5	2	16	44	46
Florida	13	6	4	3	15	34	36
Carolina	14	5	6	3	13	35	47
Winnipeg	14	5	7	2	12	35	45

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Chicago	14	8	3	3	19	46	42
Nashville	13	7	4	2	16	34	36
Detroit	12	6	5	1	13	29	29
St. Louis	13	6	7	0	12	32	35
Columbus	14	2	11	1	5	31	53

Northwest Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Edmonton	13	8	3	2	18	30	22
Minnesota	13	7	3	3	17	30	26
Colorado	14	7	6	1	15	40	42
Vancouver	15	7	7	1	15	45	44
Calgary	13	6	6	1	13	30	32

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Dallas	13	10	3	0	20	40	31
Phoenix	13	7	4	2	16	38	36
San Jose	12	7	4	1	15	37	33
Los Angeles	13	6	4	3	15	28	28
Anaheim	14	5	6	3	13	27	40

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

Sunday's Scores

Tampa Bay 4, Florida 3, SO
Dallas 5, Carolina 2
N.Y. Rangers 3, Winnipeg 0
Vancouver 6, Chicago 2
Calgary 2, Colorado 1

Today's Games

N.Y. Islanders at Boston, 6 p.m.
Los Angeles at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.

SUNDAY'S SUMMARIES

STARS 5, HURRICANES 2

Dallas ..... 3 2 0 — 5
Carolina ..... 1 1 0 — 2

First Period—1, Dallas, Nystrom 3 (Fiddler, Sourray), 5:20. 2, Dallas, Robidas 2 (Ribeiro, Ryder), 12:55 (pp). 3, Carolina, LaRose 4 (Skinner, Kabelle), 13:18 (pp). 4, Dallas, Jo.Benn 3 (Eriksson, Ryder), 19:32.

Second Period—5, Dallas, Ryder 4 (Eriksson, Sourray), 3:48. 6, Dallas, Jo.Benn 4 (Eriksson), 18:00 (sh).

Third Period—7, Carolina, Ruutu 4 (Joslin, Hamrlik), 2:03 (pp).

Shots on Goal—Dallas 11-8-8—27. Carolina 7-11-14—32.

Goalies—Dallas, Lehtonen. Carolina, Ward. Boucher. A—14,815 (18,680). T—2:29.

FLAMES 2, AVALANCHE 1

Calgary ..... 1 0 1 — 2
Colorado ..... 1 0 0 — 1

First Period—1, Colorado, Stastny 4 (O'Brien, Duchene). 34. 2, Calgary, Giordano 2 (Hannan, Kostopoulos), 5:19.

Second Period—3, Calgary, Glencross 4 (Tanguay, Iginla), 5:54 (pp).

Third Period—None.

Shots on Goal—Calgary 5-11-7—23. Colorado 9-9-15—33.

Goalies—Calgary, Kiprusoff. Colorado, Varlamov. A—15,356 (18,007). T—2:18.

CANUCKS 6, BLACKHAWKS 2

Vancouver ..... 1 4 1 — 6
Chicago ..... 1 1 0 — 2

First Period—1, Vancouver, Booth (Hodgson, Higgins), 6:00 (pp). 2, Chicago, Frolov 3 (Hjalmarsson), 12:57.

Second Period—3, Vancouver, Rome 1 (Hodgson, Booth), 1:16 (pp). 4, Vancouver, D.Sedin 6 (N.Sedin, Hamhuis), 4:40 (pp). 5, Chicago, Kruger 1 (Mayers, Stalberg), 15:07. 6, Vancouver, Hansen 2 (D.Sedin, H.Sedin), 15:50. 7, Vancouver, Hamhuis 2 (H.Sedin, Edler), 17:50 (pp).

Third Period—8, Vancouver, H.Sedin 5 (Edler, D.Sedin), 9:26 (pp).

Shots on Goal—Vancouver 11-13-8—32. Chicago 9-20-11—40.

Goalies—Vancouver, Luongo. Chicago, Crawford. A—21,883 (19,717). T—2:33.

RANGERS 3, JETS 0

Winnipeg ..... 0 0 0 — 0
N.Y. Rangers ..... 0 1 2 — 3

First Period—None.

Second Period—1, N.Y. Rangers, Stepan 1 (Gaborik, Del Zotto), 10:01 (pp).

Third Period—2, N.Y. Rangers, Gaborik 6 (Stepan, Anisimov), 8:31. 3, N.Y. Rangers, Gaborik 7 (Anisimov), 19:58 (en).

Shots on Goal—Winnipeg 9-7-7—23. N.Y. Rangers 5-9-14—27.

Goalies—Winnipeg, Pavelec. N.Y. Rangers, Biron. A—18,200 (18,200). T—2:28.

LIGHTNING 4, PANTHERS 3

Tampa Bay ..... 0 2 1 — 4
Florida ..... 3 0 0 — 3

Tampa Bay won shootout 1-0

First Period—1, Florida, Campbell 1 (Versteeg, Pieschmann), :49 (pp). 2, Florida, Kopecky 2 (Skille, Weaver), 13:05. 3, Florida, Santorelli 1 (Kulikov), 15:21.

Second Period—4, Tampa Bay, Malone 4 (Stamkos, Brewer), 16:20 (pp). 5, Tampa Bay, Stamkos 10 (Gilroy, St. Louis), 17:48.

Third Period—6, Tampa Bay, Purcell 5 (Downie, Brewer), 8:11.

Overtime—None.

Shootout—Tampa Bay 1 (Stamkos NG, Downie NG, Purcell NG, Moore G), Florida 0 (Versteeg NG, Gaustad NG, Weiss NG, Bergenheim NG).

Shots on Goal—Tampa Bay 9-12-10-6—37. Florida 16-12-10-2—40.

Goalies—Tampa Bay, Garon, Robison. Florida, Theodore. A—15,086 (17,040). T—2:38.

MLS Playoffs

Major League Soccer Playoff Glance
WILD CARDS

Wednesday, Oct. 26: New York 2, FC Dallas 0

Thursday, Oct. 27: Colorado 1, Columbus 0

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Semifinals
Sporting Kansas City vs. Colorado, Sporting City advance on aggregate 4-0

Sunday, Oct. 30: Sporting Kansas City 2, Colorado 0

Wednesday, Nov. 2: Sporting Kansas City 2, Colorado 0

Houston vs. Philadelphia, Houston advances on aggregate 3-1

Sunday, Oct. 30: Houston 2, Philadelphia 1

Thursday, Nov. 3: Philadelphia 0, Houston 0

Championship

Sunday: Houston 2, Sporting Kansas City 0

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Semifinals
Los Angeles vs. New York, Los Angeles advances on aggregate 3-1

Sunday, Oct. 30: Los Angeles 1, New York 0

Thursday, Nov. 3: New York 1, Los Angeles 2

Seattle vs. Real Salt Lake, Real Salt Lake advances on aggregate 3-2

Saturday, Oct. 29: Seattle 0, Real Salt Lake 3

Wednesday, Nov. 2: Seattle 2, Real Salt Lake 0

Championship

Sunday: Real Salt Lake at Los Angeles, Late

MLS CUP

Sunday, Nov. 20: Conference Champions at Carson, Calif., 9 p.m.

SUNDAY'S SUMMARY
DYNAMO 2, SPORTING K.C. 0

Houston ..... 0 2 — 2
Sporting Kansas City ..... 0 0 — 0

First half—None.

Second half—1, Houston, Hainault 3, 53rd minute. 2, Houston, Costly 3 (Carneiro), 87th.

Goalies—Houston, Tally Hall. Sporting Kansas City, Jimmy Nielsen.

Yellow Cards—Carr, Houston, 17th; Julio Cesar, Sporting Kansas City, 30th; Camargo, Houston, 36th; Espinoza, Sporting Kansas City, 76th; Costly, Houston, 86th.

Referee—Jair Marrufo. Assistant Referees—Paul Macdonald, Steve Taylor, 4th Official—Chris Penso.

Lineups

Houston—Tally Hall, Andre Hainault, Bobby Boswell, Corey Atiles, Luis Camargo, Adam Moffat, Geoff Cameron, Danny Cruz, Brad Davis (Jermaine Taylor, 39th), Calen Carr (Will Bruin, 69th), Brian Ching (Carlo Costly, 78th).

Sporting Kansas City—Jimmy Nielsen, Aurelien Collin, Julio Cesar (Jackson, 84th), Jose Burnes, Chance Myers, Graham Zusi, Seth Sinovic (Oliver Sealer, 60th), Matt Besler, Chance Myers, Graham Zusi, Seth Sinovic, C.J. Sapong, Kei Kamara.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Polls

The AP Top 25

The Top 25 from The Associated Press college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Nov. 5, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking:

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. LSU (58)	9-0	1,498	1
2. Oklahoma St.	9-0	1,369	3
3. Stanford	9-0	1,309	4
4. Alabama	8-1	1,234	2
5. Boise St. (1)	8-0	1,089	6
6. Oregon	8-1	1,084	8
7. Oklahoma	8-1	1,024	9
8. Arkansas	8-1	1,007	10
9. Clemson	8-1	979	11
10. Virginia Tech	8-1	885	12
11. Houston	9-0	804	14
12. Penn St.	8-1	725	16
13. Michigan St.	7-2	715	5
14. Georgia	7-2	657	18
15. South Carolina	7-2	654	10
16. Wisconsin	7-2	649	17
17. Kansas St.	7-2	546	7
18. Southern Cal	7-2	502	21
19. Nebraska	7-2	491	23
20. Georgia Tech	7-2	340	22
21. Texas	6-2	313	NR
22. Michigan	7-2	264	13
23. Cincinnati	7-1	256	25
24. Auburn	6-3	181	25
25. Southern Miss.	8-0	161	NR

Others receiving votes: TCU 84, Ohio St. 50, Arizona St. 15, Florida St. 12, Washington 8, Iowa 4, Notre Dame 4, Baylor 3, Tulsa 1, Virginia 1, West Virginia 1.

Harris Top 25

The Top 25 teams in the Harris Interactive College Football Poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Nov. 5, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and previous ranking:

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. LSU (112)	9-0	2,848	1
2. Oklahoma State	9-0	2,658	3
3. Stanford (2)	9-0	2,623	4
4. Alabama	8-1	2,520	2
5. Boise State	8-0	2,422	5
6. Oregon	8-1	2,258	6
7. Oklahoma	8-1	2,199	7
8. Arkansas	8-1	2,071	8
9. Clemson	8-1	1,921	9
10. Virginia Tech	8-1	1,785	12
11. Houston	9-0	1,689	14
12. Penn State	8-1	1,612	16
13. Michigan State	7-2	1,510	17
14. Wisconsin	7-2	1,384	18
15. South Carolina	7-2	1,174	10
16. Georgia	7-2	1,110	11
17. Nebraska	7-2	1,050	9
18. Kansas State	7-2	955	15
19. Georgia Tech	7-2	793	21
20. Texas	6-2	759	24
21. Michigan	7-2	748	13
22. Cincinnati	7-1	745	23
23. Southern Miss	8-1	449	NR
24. Auburn	6-3	397	25
25. TCU	7-2	181	NR

Other teams receiving votes: Ohio State 165, Arizona State 96, West Virginia 51, Florida State 23; Virginia 16; Notre Dame 12; Iowa 6; Washington 5; Louisville 3; Texas A&M 2; Arkansas State 1; Baylor 1; Mississippi State 1; Tulsa 1.

USA Today Top 25 Poll

The USA Today Top 25 football coaches poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Nov. 5, total points based on 25 points for first place through one point for 25th, and previous ranking:

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. LSU (59)	9-0	1,475	1
2. Stanford	9-0	1,378	3
3. Oklahoma State	9-0	1,359	4
4. Alabama	8-1	1,288	2
5. Boise State	8-0	1,242	5
6. Oregon	8-1	1,180	6
7. Oklahoma	8-1	1,141	7
8. Arkansas	8-1	1,075	8
9. Virginia Tech	8-1	911	10
10. Clemson	8-1	846	12
11. Houston	9-0	828	14
12. Penn State	8-1	799	15
13. Michigan State	7-2	698	16
14. Wisconsin	7-2	654	17
15. South Carolina	7-2	618	10
16. Georgia	7-2	572	20
17. Nebraska	7-2	530	9
18. Cincinnati	7-1	386	22
19. Georgia Tech	7-2	354	23
20. Texas	6-2	339	25
21. Michigan	7-2	334	13
22. Kansas State	7-2	328	19
23. Southern Mississippi	8-1	301	24
24. TCU	7-2	118	NR
25. Auburn	6-3	101	NR

Others receiving votes: Arizona State 49; Florida State 44; Notre Dame 32; Ohio State 22; Washington 10; Iowa 8; Texas A&M 6; West Virginia 6; Baylor 3; Rutgers 2; Arkansas State 1; Miami (Fla.) 1; Virginia 1.

Standings

Big 12 Conference

	Conference	All Games
	W L PF PA	W L PF PA
Oklahoma St.	6 0 294 176	9 0 451 257
Oklahoma	5 1 277 145	8 1 409 178
Kansas St.	4 2 222 217	7 2 297 248
Texas	3 2 175 127	6 2 275 172
Texas A&M	3 2 218 194	6 3 257 211
Baylor	2 3 178 215	5 3 332 294
Iowa St.	2 4 128 188	5 4 216 268
Texas Tech	2 4 167 251	5 4 381 268
Missouri	2 4 199 197	5 4 314 240
Kansas	0 6 110 277	2 7 221 409

Conference USA

	Conference	All Games
	W L PF PA	W L PF PA
Southern Miss.	4 1 174 94	8 1 338 178
East Carolina	3 2 128 157	4 5 333 300
Marshall	3 2 143 116	4 5 190 254
UCF	2 3 115 94	4 5 234 138
Memphis	1 4 56 163	2 7 131 313
UAB	1 5 100 253	1 8 132 337

West Division

	W L PF PA	W L PF PA
Houston	5 0 297 120	9 0 474 211
Tulsa	5 0 168 67	6 1 277 238
SMU	4 2 163 123	6 3 257 209
Rice	2 4 167 226	3 6 231 338
UTEP	1 4 153 156	4 5 256 259
Tulane	1 5 113 197	2 8 227 360

Mountain West Conference

	Conference	All Games
	W L PF PA	W L PF PA
TCU	4 0 162 53	7 2 374 201
Boise St.	3 0 148 60	8 0 351 134
Wyoming	2 1 91 72	5 3 232 242
San Diego St.	2 2 117 91	5 3 238 184
Colorado St.	1 2 82 111	3 5 192 256
UNLV	1 2 73 124	2 6 153 332
Air Force	1 3 114 113	5 4 306 264
New Mexico	0 4 117 60	0 9 113 410

GOLF

WGC Tour

HSBC Champions Scores
Sunday
At Sheshan International Golf Club
Shanghai
Purse: $7 million
Yardage: 7,266; Par: 72
Final

Martin Kaymer $1,200,000 69-68-68-63 — 268
Fredrik Jacobson $675,000 67-66-67-74 — 274
Charles McDowell $430,000 69-68-67-67 — 272
Charl Schwartzel $258,333 70-69-69-65 — 273
Paul Casey $258,333 70-66-70-67 — 273
Rory McIlroy $258,333 70-68-65-69 — 272
Justin Rose $155,000 68-70-70-66 — 274
Hunter Mahan $155,000 71-67-69-67 — 274
Louis Oosthuizen $155,000 71-63-68-72 — 274
Jhonattan Vegas $125,000 69-73-65-68 — 275
Bo Van Pelt $110,000 67-69-70-70 — 276
Adam Scott $110,000 69-65-69-73 — 276
Ian Poulter $90,000 70-68-69-71 — 278
Kim-sun Zhang $90,000 74-68-64-72 — 278
Lee Westwood $90,000 69-68-67-74 — 278
K.J. Choi $79,333 68-70-72-69 — 279
Simon Dyson $79,333 69-69-70-71 — 279
Keegan Bradley $79,333 65-76-73-72 — 279
Sergio Garcia $75,000 72-68-70-70 — 280
Nicolas Colsaerts $71,000 74-68-68-70 — 281
Lucas Glover $71,000 74-68-71-68 — 281
Pablo Larrazabal $71,000 71-69-75-72 — 281
Jeev Milkha Singh $62,500 72-73-69-68 — 282
Francesco Molinari $62,500 70-70-71-71 — 282
Aaron Baddeley $62,500 69-68-73-72 — 282
Anders Hansen $62,500 71-69-70-72 — 282
Jonathan Byrd $62,500 71-68-75-73 — 282
Jim Furyk $62,500 70-75-68-74 — 282
Rich Beem $56,500 69-71-71-72 — 283
Thongchai Jaidee $56,500 68-69-72-74 — 283
Harrison Frazar $56,500 70-74-64-75 — 283
Rafa Ibeda $56,500 70-71-68-74 — 283
Peter Hanson $52,000 69-73-71-71 — 284
Robert Rock $52,000 70-70-71-73 — 284
Lee Slattery $52,000 71-67-68-69 — 284
Ernie Els $52,000 71-69-72-68 — 284
Nick Watney $52,000 71-70-71-67 — 284
Chinnarat Phadungsil $47,500 71-69-74-71 — 285
Darren Clarke $47,500 73-70-67-69 — 285
Jim Herman $47,500 71-70-73-68 — 285
Miguel Jimenez $47,500 72-68-68-77 — 285
Thomas Bjorn $43,500 72-71-71-73 — 287
Bill Haas $43,500 71-69-68-78 — 287
Scott Stallings $43,500 70-74-72-71 — 287
Stuart Appleby $43,500 77-70-71-69 — 287
Keith Horne $40,500 71-70-73-74 — 288
Hideki Kuno $40,500 74-71-70-73 — 288
Ben Crane $40,500 75-71-74-68 — 288
Alexander Noren $38,000 67-75-70-77 — 289
Jung-gon Hwang $38,000 72-70-70-75 — 289
Arjun Atwal $38,000 72-69-70-78 — 289
Siddikur Rahman $38,000 75-73-67-74 — 289
Alvaro Quiros $38,000 72-67-71-79 — 289
Paul Lawrie $38,000 72-71-72-74 — 289
Kyung-tae Kim $38,000 73-77-71-68 — 289
Geoff Ogilvy $26,500 75-69-69-77 — 290
Robert Karlsson $26,500 74-75-68-73 — 290
Mark Wilson $26,500 71-73-77-69 — 290
Tetsuji Hiratsuka $24,000 72-70-72-77 — 291
David Toms $24,000 69-78-71-73 — 291
Michio Matsumura $24,000 74-71-71-75 — 291
Wen-Chong Liang $22,500 72-75-71-76 — 292
Jim Furyk $22,500 76-68-75-73 — 292
Michael Hoey $22,500 76-70-74-72 — 292
S.S.P.Chowrasia $21,500 73-74-73-73 — 293
D.A. Points $20,750 73-71-73-77 — 294
Kiradech Aphibarnrat $20,750 79-72-71-72 — 294
Chez Reavie $20,000 70-75-68-82 — 295
Matteo Manassero $20,500 72-71-70-73 — 296
Thomas Aiken $20,000 76-75-69-77 — 297
David Gleeson $18,500 71-70-76-81 — 298
Master Pressed $21,750 75-75-75-76 — 299
Chan Yih-shun $21,750 75-74-76-74 — 299
Hao Yuan $21,000 72-78-74-76 — 300
Pablo Martin $26,500 76-71-74-80 — 301
Tom Lewis $26,000 78-71-72-83 — 304
Adam Bland $25,500 75-76-81-80 — 312
Bobby Gates $25,000 75-68-69 — WD

Champions Tour

Charles Schwab Championship
Scores
Sunday
At TPC Harding Park GC
San Francisco
Purse: $2.5 million
Yardage: 7,135; Par 71
Final

Jay Don Blake (888), $440,000 — 278
Michael Allen (392), $195,750 — 278
Mark Calcavecchia (392), $195,750 — 278
Joe Ozaki (392), $195,750 — 278
Loren Roberts (392) $195,750 — 278
David Frost (234), $117,000 — 279
Russ Cochran (175), $85,200 — 280
Bernhard Langer (175), $85,200 — 280
David Eger (175), $85,200 — 280
Kenny Perry (170), $85,200 — 280
John Smoltz (170), $85,200 — 280
Tom Pernice Jr. (118), $59,333 — 283
Don Browne (118), $59,333 — 283
Jeff Sluman (118), $59,333 — 283
John Huston (102), $50,500 — 284
Nick Price (102), $50,500 — 284
Peter Senior (92), $46,000 — 285
Bernhard Langer (84), $41,750 — 286
Tom Lehman (84), $41,750 — 286
John Cook (72), $36,000 — 287
Rod Spittle (72), $36,000 — 287
Mark Wiebe (72), $36,000 — 287
Chip Beck (60), $31,000 — 288
Marc O'Meara (62), $31,000 — 288
Brad Bryant (58), $29,000 — 290
Hale Irwin (52), $26,000 — 291
Chen Soon Lu, $23,500 — 291
Corey Pavin (52), $26,000 — 291
Tom Watson (50), $24,500 — 292
Tommy Armour III (48), $24,000 — 294

LPGA Tour

Mizuno Classic Scores
Sunday
At Kintetsu Kashikojima Country Club
Shima, Japan
Purse: $1.2 million
Yardage: 6,506; Par: 72
Final

x-won on third playoff hole

Momoko Ueda — 67-64-69 — 200
Feng Shanshan — 68-67-65 — 200
Na Yeon Choi — 69-66-64 — 201
Teresa Lu — 70-65-67 — 202
Catriona Matthew — 68-68-67 — 203
Stacy Lewis — 69-71-65 — 204
Mina Harigae — 68-67-69 — 204
Sakura Yokomine — 71-63-70 — 204
Christel Boeljon — 70-71-65 — 206
Jiyai Shin — 69-71-66 — 206
Esther Lee — 70-69-67 — 206
In Kyung Kim — 68-68-70 — 206
Jaime Weatt — 71-69-67 — 207
Mika Miyazato — 70-70-68 — 208
Pornanong Phatlum — 69-70-69 — 208
Azahara Munoz — 68-70-70 — 208
Mary Hallion — 69-68-71 — 208
Suh Ju Ahn — 70-71-68 — 209
Christina Kim — 71-70-68 — 209
Eun A Lim — 69-71-69 — 209
Li Ying Ye — 72-67-70 — 209
Akiko Fukushima — 69-69-71 — 209
Chie Arimura — 71-66-72 — 209
Akane Iijima — 66-71-72 — 209
Hyun Ju Shin — 69-72-68 — 210
Candie Kung — 70-71-69 — 210
Hee Young Park — 71-69-70 — 210
Meena Lee — 72-67-71 — 210
Hee Won Han — 69-70-71 — 210
Ryann O'Toole — 69-69-72 — 210
Ayako Uehara — 68-70-72 — 210
Na Ri Kim — 69-68-73 — 210
Hee Kyung Seo — 70-67-73 — 210
Rikako Morita — 71-73-67 — 211
Amanda Blumenherst — 73-71-67 — 211
Pitsuda Wu — 69-73-69 — 211
Beatriz Recari — 73-67-71 — 211
Vicky Hurst — 69-71-71 — 211
Shendo Morumoto — 70-69-72 — 211
Kyeong Bae — 72-76-64 — 212
Mindy Kim — 72-73-67 — 212
Shiho Oyama — 70-73-69 — 212
Ya Ni Lee — 71-70-71 — 212
Amy Hung — 70-71-71 — 212
Nachoy Chitam — 71-70-71 — 212
Inbee Park — 73-71-69 — 213
Juliana Granada — 74-68-71 — 213
Mi Hyun Kim — 72-69-72 — 213
Pui Kidada — 71-70-72 — 213
Hiromi Mogi — 70-71-72 — 213
Nicky Campbell — 70-70-73 — 213
Ah Reum Hwang — 68-73-74 — 215
Ji Woo Lee — 73-71-71 — 215
Kelly McPherson — 72-71-72 — 215
Yumiko Yoshida — 70-72-73 — 215
Eun Hee Ji — 74-68-73 — 215
Heather Bowie Young — 73-72-70 — 215
Kumiko Kaneda — 74-71-70 — 215
Tiffany Joh — 71-73-71 — 215
Soo Yun Kang — 71-72-72 — 215
Eun Bi Jang — 71-73-71 — 215
Jennifer Johnson — 72-74-70 — 216
Kaori Aoyama — 72-73-71 — 216
Saki Fujita — 70-72-74 — 216
Jimin Kang — 77-69-71 — 217
Paige Mackenzie — 73-71-73 — 217
Jodie Ovrom — 74-68-75 — 217
Cindy Lacrosse — 71-74-73 — 218
Gerina Piller — 71-77-71 — 219
Jenny Shin — 73-73-73 — 219
Miki Saiki — 73-73-73 — 219
Young Kim — 74-70-75 — 219
Song-Hee Kim — 74-70-75 — 219
Ai Miyazato — 73-75-72 — 220
Becky Morgan — 73-74-75 — 222

FISHING REPORT

WEST

ALAN HENRY: Water lightly stained; 58-65 degrees; 7.23' low. Black bass are good on shallow running crankbaits, Texas rigs, spinnerbaits and Rat-L-Traps. Crappie are fair on live minnows. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers.

ARROWHEAD: Water off color; 56-67 degrees; 8.3' low. Black bass are fair on topwaters early, later switching to Texas rigs, spinnerbaits and weightless flukes. Crappie are fair on minnows. White bass are good on slabs and minnows. Blue catfish are fair to good on juglines with cut bait.

COLORADO CITY: 17.4' low. No report available.

FORT PHANTOM HILL: Water clear; 58-66 degrees; 9.31' low. Black bass are fair to good on Texas rigs and spinnerbaits. Crappie are fair on minnows. White bass are fair to good on Road Runners. Catfish are good on nightcrawlers.

HUBBARD CREEK: 57-65 degrees; 13.98' low. Black bass are good on spinnerbaits, Texas rigs and weightless flukes. Crappie are fair on live minnows. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers.

NASWORTHY: No report available.

OAK CREEK: Water stained; 57-68 degrees; 13.78' low. Black bass are fair to good on Zara Spooks early, later switching to Texas rigs, Rat-L-Traps and shakyheads. Crappie are fair on live minnows and jigs. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers.

O.H. IVIE: Water stained; 58-70 degrees; 36.7' low. Black bass are fair to good on Rat-L-Traps, shallow running crankbaits, Texas rigs and 3" swimbaits. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair to good on Little Georgies. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water fairly clear; 62-71 degrees; 10' low. Black bass are fair to good on squarebill crankbaits, Texas rigs, Rat-L-Traps and shakyheads. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair to good on slabs and live minnows. Striped bass are fair on live shad. Catfish are good on cut shad and nightcrawlers.

SPENCE: 62.76' low. No report available.

STAMFORD: No report available.

SWEETWATER: Water murky; 58-66 degrees; 13.31' low. Black bass are fair on shallow running crankbaits, spinnerbaits and Texas rigs. Crappie are fair to good on live minnows. Catfish are fair to good on prepared bait and nightcrawlers.

TWIN BUTTES RIVER: Water stained; 57-68 degrees; 23.49' low. No reports on black bass. Crappie are fair on live minnows. Catfish are fair on prepared bait.

CENTRAL

BASTROP: Water clear; 71-74 degrees. Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits, crankbaits, and minnows. Crappie are good on minnows and blue tube jigs. Channel and blue catfish are good on shrimp and live bait. Yellow catfish are fair on shrimp.

BELTON: Water murky; 70-74 degrees; 11.49' low. Black bass are slow. Hybrid striper are slow. White bass are slow. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish are good on shrimp and chicken livers. Yellow catfish are slow.

BRAUNIGHOEDE: Water lightly stained; 71-75 degrees; 15.59' low. Black bass are good on watermelon crankbaits, Texas worms, and Rat-L-Traps. Hybrid striper are good on live shad. White bass are good on Rat-L-Traps and perch. Crappie are good on chartreuse tube jigs over brush piles and under lighted docks at night. Channel catfish are good on cut bait and shrimp and blue catfish are good on cut bait. Yellow catfish are good on bluegill fished with perch.

BUCHANAN: Water clear; 69-73 degrees; 21.20' low. Black bass are fair on shallow crankbaits and Texas rigs. Hybrid striper are good on live shad. White bass are good on Kitty Spoons, vertical jigging spoons, and crankbaits in creeks in 5-15 feet at first light. Crappie are fair on live

Rat-L-Traps and Spooks. Shads near the dam in 20-35 feet early. White bass are fair on Tiny Torpedoes and Rat-L-Traps in deep creeks. Crappie are fair on chartreuse tube jigs and minnows. Channel catfish are good on nightcrawlers and stinkbait. Yellow and blue catfish are good on live bait shad.

CANYON LAKE: Water clear; 68-72 degrees; 9.63' low. Black bass are fair to good on Texas rigs and crankbaits on shaky head jigs. Watermelon Whacky Sticks on jigheads, and perch colored spinnerbaits along ledges of main lake point are good. Striped bass are fair trolling deep running crankbaits and jigging blade baits over humps in the lower end of the lake. Striped bass are slow. Smallmouth bass are fair on smoke JDC curl tail grubs on jigheads, and pumpkinseed Curb's jigs along ledges and over rock piles. Crappie are fair on minnows and blue tube jigs under Channel catfish are slow. Yellow and blue catfish are fair on traditional baited with live bait.

COLEMAN: Water clear; 70-73 degrees; 15.39' low. Black bass are good on chartreuse spinnerbaits and soft plastics. Hybrid striper are slow. Crappie are fair on minnows and green tube jigs. Channel catfish are good on shrimp and stinkbait. Yellow catfish are slow.

COLORADO RIVER (At Colorado Bend State Park): No report available.

FAYETTE: Water clear; 73-75 degrees. Black bass are good on shad colored Rat-L-Traps. Red and white perch are fair on worms. Channel and blue catfish are fair on live bait.

GRANBURY: Water clear; 68-73 degrees; 4.12' low. Black bass are good on shad colored Rat-L-Traps and topwaters early and late. Striped bass are slow. White bass are fair on minnows and LR Fishes. Crappie are fair on minnows and green tube jigs. Catfish are good on stinkbait, shrimp, and nightcrawlers.

GRANGER: Water stained; 71-74 degrees; 5.29' low. Black bass are good on watermelon soft plastics and white spinnerbaits upriver around timber. White bass are slow. Crappie are fair on minnows in 4-12 feet. Blue catfish are good on juglines baited with shad and cut bait. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live perch.

LBJ: Water clear; 70-73 degrees; 0.23' low. Black bass are fair on watermelon topwaters, Texas rigs and Rat-L-Traps. Hybrid striper are good trolling Sticks around brush early and late. Striped bass are fair on live bait at night. White bass are fair on LR Fishes and small spinnerbaits. Crappie are good on chartreuse tube jigs and live minnows under brush piles in 10-15 feet. Channel catfish are good on cut bait and stinkbait. Yellow and blue catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live bait.

NAVARRO MILLS: Water lightly stained; 73-76 degrees; 0.06' low. Black bass are fair on White bass are slow. Crappie are slow. Channel catfish are good on nightcrawlers from the bank. Blue catfish are fair on cut bait. Yellow catfish are good on nightcrawlers fished with live bait. Yellow catfish are slow.

PROCTOR: Water clear; 69-73 degrees; 7.82' low. Black bass are good on watermelon soft plastics and spinnerbaits. Striped bass are fair on minnows and shad. White bass are good on minnows. Crappie are slow. Channel catfish are good on cut bait and shrimp and shad. Yellow catfish are slow.

SOMERVILLE: Water murky; 70-74 degrees; 10.33' low. Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits and crankbaits. Hybrid striper are slow. White bass are good on minnows. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish are good on shrimp and shad. Yellow catfish are slow.

STILLHOUSE HOLLOW: Water clear; 69-73 degrees; 15.38' low. Black bass are good on chartreuse soft plastic worms and chrome Tiny Traps. White bass are good on chartreuse Kickers and small LR Fishes. Crappie are fair on minnows. Channel and blue catfish are good on minnows and shrimp. Yellow catfish are slow.

TRAVIS: Water lightly stained; 70-73 degrees; 33.91' low. Black bass are good on watermelon Texas rigs and Rat-L-Traps. Striped bass are slow. White bass are good on white jigging spoons and live shad. Crappie are fair on live minnows. Channel and blue catfish are good on night-crawlers and minnows in 25-35 feet. Yellow catfish are slow.

WALTER E. LONG: Water lightly stained. Black bass are slow. Hybrid striper are good on live bait. White bass are slow. Crappie are fair on minnows and green tube jigs.

MHS AND LEE CAPSULES

MIDLAND HIGH

Coach: Ron Berry (1st season, 714-316 overall record in 39 seasons)

2010-11 Record: 32-5, 12-0 in District 3-5A (first in district)

2010-11 Postseason: Defeated Arlington Martin 49-35 in bi-district; Defeated Amarillo High 54-43 in area; Defeated Arlington Bowie 57-49 in regional quarterfinals; Defeated Duncanville 60-48 in regional semifinals; Lost to Irving MacArthur 55-40 in regional finals.

Key players: G Krystal Valdez (5-4, Sr.), P Sabrina Banks (6-0, Sr.), G Elaine Herrera (5-8, Sr.).

Key losses: G Kelsey Hoppel, G Paris Webb, F Dreamika Merchant.

About the Lady Bulldogs: Midland High returns two starters and eight lettermen from last season's regional finalist squad. In fact, the Lady Bulldogs lost just three players from last year's team, but it was a big three in Kelsey Hoppel, Paris Webb and Dreamika Merchant. That trio ranks among Midland High's all-time leaders in nearly every statistical category, and was the main reason the Lady Bulldogs went further than any other team in school history had last season. ... Seniors Krystal Valdez and Sabrina Banks are going to be relied on more this season as the two returning starters. Valdez averaged 8.1 points per game as a junior guard and will be asked to pick up much of the scoring slack. Banks averaged 3.5 points and 4.3 rebounds per game playing in the paint and will be looked at as the Lady Bulldogs top post player.

Will make the playoffs if: As long as the Lady Bulldogs get with coach Ron Berry's system, then they should certainly be one of the top four teams in the district. Having senior guard Elaine Herrera move in from Laredo should help matters as she was a first-team All-District selection in District 29-5A last season.

2011-12 Lady Dawgs Roster

No.	Name	Position	Ht.	Class
5	Tana Driver	G	5-0	Fr.
10	Krystal Valdez	G	5-4	Sr.
11	Megan Hopper	G	5-6	Jr.
14	Megan Woodard	P/F	5-9	Sr.
20	Skeesha Bowers	P/F	5-9	Sr.
21	Rebecca Gallegos	G	5-5	Jr.
22	Andrea Sadler	G	5-6	Sr.
23	Elaine Herrera	G	5-8	Sr.
30	Desaire Allen	P/F	5-9	So.
33	Catarina Rendon	P	5-0	Jr.
40	Sabrina Banks	P	6-0	Sr.
44	Kristyn Wilbanks	G	5-8	Jr.

2010-11 Lady Dawgs Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 8	at Abilene Wylie	6 p.m.
Nov. 11	Amarillo Palo Duro+	6:00 p.m.
Nov. 15	Plainview	6 p.m.
Nov. 17-19	Austin Tournament	TBA
Nov. 21	vs. Amarillo High#	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 26	vs. Canyon High#	4 p.m.
Nov. 29	at Lubbock Coronado+	6 p.m.
Dec. 6	at Odessa Permian+	6 p.m.
Dec. 9-10	Tall City Oil Man Tournament	TBA
Dec. 13	San Angelo Central*	6 p.m.
Dec. 16	Lee*	6 p.m.
Dec. 20	Lubbock Monterey+	6:30 p.m.
Dec. 28-30	Byron Johnston Tournament	TBA
Dec. 31	San Angelo Lake View+	1:30 p.m.
Jan. 2	at Odessa High*	6 p.m.
Jan. 6	Abilene High*	6 p.m.
Jan. 10	at Lubbock High*	6 p.m.
Jan. 13	at Abilene Cooper*	6 p.m.
Jan. 17	Odessa Permian*	6 p.m.
Jan. 24	Lee*	6 p.m.
Jan. 27	Odessa High*	6 p.m.
Jan. 31	at Abilene High*	6 p.m.
Feb. 3	Abilene Cooper*	6 p.m.

All home games at Chaparral Center unless noted.
+ at Midland High gymnasium
# at Lubbock Christian University's Rip Griffin Center
* denotes district game.

LEE

Coach: Roselind Lawrence (3rd season, 16-44 in two seasons at Lee)

2010-2011 Record: 13-18, 5-7 in District 3-5A (fourth in district)

2010-2011 Postseason: Lost 84-23 to North Crowley in bi-district round.

Key players: G Kortni Edwards (Sr.), G Cindy Benavides (Jr.), P Landry Johnson (Sr.).

Key losses: P Alex Ramos, G/P Kaylee Rogers, G Diana Welch

About the Lady Rebels: The Lady Rebels are loaded with experience after having lost just three varsity players from last year's team. However, one of those gone is post Alex Ramos who led the Lady Rebels in scoring and rebounding last season. But the Lady Rebels have a platoon or post players they believe can fill that void, including senior Landry Johnson, junior Lexi Neighbors and sophomore Jackie Rivas. ... The Lady Rebels have most of their experience in their backcourt, though, with Cindy Benavides and Kortni Edwards returning as the two starting guards. Edwards will move over to the shooting guard position, while Benavides plays the point. Jaylaan Lee, Shauna Standard and Shanses Ray also figure into the rotation at guard and all three picked up valuable varsity experience last season.

Will make the playoffs if: As long as the Lady Rebels continue to improve by leaps and bounds like they did last season, they should return to the postseason for a second consecutive year. Just two years ago, the Lady Rebels won a mere three games. They won 13 last season. Now they're hoping for a winning record on the season, while potentially contending for a District 3-5A title in the process.

2011-12 Lady Rebels Roster

No.	Name	Position	Class
1	Landry Johnson	P	Sr.
3	Shanses Ray	G	So.
10	Daisa Stanford	G/P	Fr.
12	Kortni Edwards	G	Sr.
14	Lexi Neighbors	P	Jr.
20	Sydney Ramirez	G	Jr.
21	Sara Pitts	G	Jr.
22	Jackie Rivas	P	So.
23	Cindy Benavides	G	Jr.
24	Jaylaan Lee	G	Jr.
32	Shauna Standard	G	Sr.
33	Kristen Galindo	G/P	Sr.

2011-12 Lady Rebels Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 8	Amarillo High*	6 p.m.
Nov. 15	Lubbock Trinity+	6 p.m.
Nov. 17-19	Marble Falls Tournament	TBA
Nov. 21	Amarillo Caprock	6 p.m.
Nov. 29	at Lubbock Monterey	6 p.m.
Dec. 2	Hobbs, N.M.#	6 p.m.
Dec. 6	Odessa High*	6 p.m.
Dec. 8-10	Tall City Oilman Tournament	TBA
Dec. 12	Lubbock High*	6 p.m.
Dec. 16	Midland High*	6 p.m.
Dec. 19	at Andrews#	6 p.m.
Dec. 28-30	Byron Johnston Tournament	TBA
Jan. 3	Odessa Permian*	6 p.m.
Jan. 6	at Abilene Cooper*	6 p.m.
Jan. 10	San Angelo Central*	6 p.m.
Jan. 13	Abilene High*	6 p.m.
Jan. 17	at Odessa High*	6 p.m.
Jan. 24	Midland High*	6 p.m.
Jan. 27	at Odessa Permian*	6 p.m.
Jan. 31	Abilene Cooper*	6 p.m.
Feb. 3	at San Angelo Central*	6 p.m.
Feb. 7	at Abilene High*	6 p.m.

All home games played at Chaparral Center unless noted.
+ at Lee High School gymnasium

Compiled by Jonathan Hull

GREENWOOD

Coach: Quint Anthony (4th season, 55-41 in three seasons at Greenwood and overall).

2010-11 Record: 14-20, 5-3 in District 4-3A (third in district)

2010-11 Postseason: Defeated Pecos 63-38 in bi-district; Lost to Levelland 54-45 in area.

Key players: F Peyton Pyle (5-11, Sr.), G Alyssa Anthony (5-4, Sr.), G Courtney Waters (5-4, Jr.).

Key losses: None

About the Rangerettes: Greenwood is loaded with experience and appears poised to make its fourth straight trip to the postseason under coach Quint Anthony's guidance. The Rangerettes return all five starters from last season's 14-20 team and seven overall lettermen. It's this reason they will enter the season ranked 12th in Class 3A by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches. ... Senior forward Peyton Pyle is Greenwood's top player after she led the Rangerettes in points (13.5), rebounds (7.3) and blocks (2.2) per game as a junior. Pyle and point guard Alyssa Anthony, the senior daughter of Coach Anthony, are four-year varsity players and a big reason why the Rangerettes should enter District 4-3A as the favorites to win the district title.

Will make the playoffs if: Really all this team needs to do is stay healthy and play up to its potential. The Rangerettes have advanced to the area round of the postseason the last three seasons. They're biggest goals will be to secure a district title and then make it at least a round further in the postseason. With the amount of experience and talent they have coming back, the Rangerettes could be in position to do just that. Don't be surprised if they get off to a slow start, though, with key players like Pyle, Emily Dye and Courtney Waters still playing volleyball.

2011-12 Rangerettes Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Class
10	Ashton Hannaz	G	5-7	Jr.
12	Alyssa Anthony	G	5-4	Sr.
14	Bailey Ray	G	5-4	Jr.
21	Peyton Pyle	F	5-11	Sr.
23	Becca Campbell	G	5-6	Sr.
24	Morgan McKee	G	5-8	So.
25	Courtney Waters	G	5-4	Jr.
40	Emily Dye	P	5-9	Sr.
NA	Kadi Zimmerman	P	5-10	So.
NA	Amanda Bell	G	5-7	Fr.
NA	Ashley Sullivan	P	5-10	So.
NA	Savannah Carr	G	5-5	Jr.
NA	Kassie Kraft	P	5-6	Jr.
NA	Grace Sunderland	P	5-11	So.

2011-12 Rangerettes Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 8	Snyder	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 11	Slaton	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 15	Odessa Permian	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 18	at Denver City	6 p.m.
Nov. 22	Odessa High	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 29	at Big Spring	6 p.m.
Dec. 1-3	Greenwood Tournament	TBA
Dec. 6	Lubbock Cooper	6:30 p.m.
Dec. 8-10	Abilene Wylie Tournament	TBA
Dec. 12	at Wall	6:30 p.m.
Dec. 16	Shallowater	6:30 p.m.

COUNTY CAPSULES

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Dec. 19	Lubbock Warriors	TBA
Dec. 29-30	Lubbock Cypress Tournament	TBA
Jan. 3	Levelland	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 6	Seminole*	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 10	at Fort Stockton*	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 13	Andrews*	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 17	vs. Brownwood+	5 p.m.
Jan. 20	at Monahans*	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 24	at Seminole*	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 27	Fort Stockton*	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 31	at Andrews*	6:30 p.m.
Feb. 7	Monahans*	6:30 p.m.

All games played at Greenwood High gymnasium unless noted.
+ at San Angelo Central HS
* denotes district game

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN

Coach: Robin Reed (3rd season, 29-34 in two seasons at MCS).

2010-11 Record: 21-12, 7-5 in TAPPS 1-4A (third in district)

2010-11 Postseason: Lost to Bishop T.K. Gorman 55-43 in bi-district.

Key players: G Morgan Ashton (So.), G Lindzey Roach (Sr.).

Key losses: F Jessica Smitherman (Oklahoma Christian University), G DC Cooper.

About the Lady Mustangs: Midland Christian lost two important pieces in Jessica Smitherman and D.C. Cooper. Smitherman was the heart and soul of the team, according to coach Robin Reed, and was also one of the top scorers and rebounders. Cooper was also a top scorer and brought a lot of energy and athleticism to the Lady Mustangs. But MCS could return as many as nine players from last season's 21-12 squad, which qualified for the postseason for the first time since 2006. ... Morgan Ashton handled point guard duties as a freshman last season and will be expected to play an even bigger role as a sophomore. Ashton will have some help, though, with a strong senior class including Lindzey Roach, Richelle Miller, Whitney Rogers and Maranda Galindo who all either started or saw significant playing time last season.

Will make the playoffs if: MCS plays in a very competitive district, featuring perennial state powers Fort Worth Christian and Lubbock Trinity. Fort Worth Christian is ranked eighth heading into the season by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches, while Lubbock Trinity is ranked 10th. Also there's Arlington Grace Prep, which enters the year at 19th. Midland Christian is 20th, so expectations are high of the Lady Mustangs, but the TAPPS 1-4A district stands as a significant hurdle.

2011-12 Lady Mustangs Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 8	at Coahoma	6 p.m.
Nov. 10-12	San Antonio Bracken Tournament	TBA
Nov. 18	Andrews	7 p.m.
Nov. 22	at Monahans	7 p.m.
Nov. 29	at Midland Christian	6:30 p.m.
Dec. 1-3	Andrews Gym Box Tournament	TBA
Dec. 6	Borden County	7 p.m.
Dec. 8-10	Stanton Hoopfest Classic	TBA
Dec. 13	Seminole	6 p.m.
Dec. 16	at Fort Stockton	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 3	Monahans	7 p.m.
Jan. 6	at Greenwood	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 7	Fort Worth Southwest*	1 p.m.
Jan. 10	Lubbock Trinity*	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 13	at Fort Worth Christian*	6 p.m.
Jan. 14	at Arlington Grace Prep*	1 p.m.
Jan. 17	Midland Classical	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 21	Arlington Pantego*	1 p.m.
Jan. 27	at Fort Worth Southwest*	6 p.m.
Jan. 28	at Grapevine Faith*	1 p.m.
Jan. 31	at Lubbock Trinity*	6:30 p.m.
Feb. 3	Arlington Grace Prep*	6:30 p.m.
Feb. 4	Fort Worth Christian*	11:30 a.m.
Feb. 10	at Arlington Pantego*	6 p.m.

All home games played at McGraw Special Events Center.
* denotes district game.

MIDLAND CLASSICAL

Coach: Jim Beattie & Carla Cunnee (2nd season, 4-20 in one season at MCA. Beattie has been coach for 23 seasons.)

2010-11 Record: 4-20, 0-6 in TAPPS 1-3A

2010-11 Postseason: Didn't qualify.

Key players: PG Kayla Beattie (So.), P Karis Johnson (Jr.), G Hannah Bailey (Sr.)

Key losses: None

About the Lady Knights: Midland Classical was a young team last year, but somehow seemed to get even younger this season. The Lady Knights have two seniors — guards Hannah Bailey and Laura Ann White — listed on their roster, but still possess plenty of experience with seven returning lettermen, including three starters. ... The Lady Knights will be led by sophomore point guard Kayla Beattie, who led them last year in points (16), assists (2.4) and steals (3.5) per game, while also making 29 percent of her 3-pointers. Junior post Karis Johnson averaged 10.8 rebounds per game last season and gives the Lady Knights a presence in the paint.

Will make the playoffs if: The Lady Knights went winless in their four-team district last season. Three teams make it to the postseason in their district so really they'll be battling Lubbock Christian for that final spot. Amarillo San Jacinto and Amarillo Arbor are the class of TAPPS 1-3A with San Jacinto entering the season ranked sixth in the state and Arbor ranked 16th. MCA is hoping to win half of the games it plays this year, but if it can find two wins against Lubbock Christian then the postseason becomes a reality.

2011-12 Lady Knights Roster

No.	Name	Pos	Class
1	Laura Ann White	G	Sr.
3	Karis Johnson	P	Jr.
4	Summer Sparks	G	So.
5	Hannah Bailey	G	Sr.
10	Kayla Beattie	G	So.
11	Rachel Long	P	So.
12	Lexi Watts	F	Fr.
13	Abbie Rasr	P	Jr.
14	Ashlynn Mitchell	P	Fr.
15	Shelby Collins	P	Fr.
21	Amy Hinton	G	Jr.

2011-12 Lady Knights Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 8	Odessa Permian	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 11	at Trinity	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 15	at McCamey	6 p.m.
Nov. 18	Stanton	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 21	Coahoma	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 29	Midland Christian	6:30 p.m.
Dec. 1-3	Andrews Gym Box Tournament	TBA
Dec. 6	Coahoma	6:30 p.m.
Dec. 8-10	Stanton Hoopfest Classic	TBA
Dec. 29-30	Iraan Tournament	TBA
Jan. 3	at Andrews	6 p.m.
Jan. 6	at Lubbock Titans	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 10	at Alpine	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 13	Crane	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 17	at Midland Christian	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 20	Amarillo San Jacinto*	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 24	Trinity	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 27	at Amarillo Arbor*	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 28	at Amarillo San Jacinto*	TBA
Jan. 31	at Lubbock Christian*	6:30 p.m.
Feb. 3	Amarillo Arbor*	6:30 p.m.
Feb. 7	Lubbock Christian*	6:30 p.m.

All home games played at Midland Classical gymnasium.
* denotes district game.

TRINITY

Coach: Eric Simonds (1st year at Trinity)

2010-11 Record: 13-11, 0-2 in TCAF 1-3A

2010-11 Postseason: Defeated Nazarene 54-34 in state quarterfinals; Defeated Westlake Christian 45-41 in state semifinals; Defeated El Paso Immanuel 40-34 in state championship.

Key players: G Mylyra Ball (So.), G London Edwards (Jr.).

Key losses: G Callie Davenport, G Victoria Olive, P Kendall Meyers.

About the Lady Chargers: Trinity has to replace all five starters from last year's TCAF 3A state championship team, including guard Victoria Olive, who was the Most Valuable Player of the state championship game, and leading scorer Callie Davenport. ... The Lady Chargers do have seven players returning from that state title squad, including key reserves Mylyra Ball and London Edwards, who will likely be asked to step into a starting role this season.

Will make the playoffs if: Well, Trinity only plays in a two-team district with El Paso Immanuel, meaning the Lady Chargers will qualify for the postseason regardless of their district record. Last season, Trinity lost both regular season games to Immanuel before knocking them off 40-34 in the state championship game. Repeating as state champions will be difficult, though, considering the amount of talent the Lady Chargers must replace.

2011-12 Lady Chargers Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 11	at Midland Classical	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 15	at Buena Vista	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 19	Westlake Academy	11 a.m.
Nov. 29	at Water Valley	6 p.m.
Dec. 1-3	Crane Tournament	TBA
Dec. 6	Water Valley	6 p.m.
Dec. 8-10	Water Valley Tournament	TBA
Dec. 16	Pecos	6 p.m.
Dec. 27-28	Grady Tournament	TBA
Jan. 3	Grandfalls-Royalty	6 p.m.
Jan. 6	San Angelo Cornerstone	6 p.m.
Jan. 13	at Kermit	6 p.m.
Jan. 17	Midessa Warriors	6 p.m.
Jan. 21	at El Paso Immanuel	11 a.m.
Jan. 24	at Midland Classical	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 28	El Paso Immanuel	11 a.m.
Feb. 3	New Way Christian	6 p.m.
Feb. 7	at N.M.	6 p.m.
Feb. 10	Midessa Warriors	6 p.m.A

Compiled by Jonathan Hull

TEAM

From 1C

district schedule is going to be important from a chemistry aspect. However, it's not an easy schedule by any means, featuring talented teams such as Abilene Wylie, Amarillo High, Canyon High and Plainview.

"Chemistry has to be built early in the season with a situation like this," Berry said. "It takes a while to get used to one another. We're going to have a trial by fire with our schedule, too. It's a great preseason schedule. It's a who's who of girls basketball and we have to do that with an inexperienced team.

"We may not be the prettiest girl at the dance at the beginning of the season, but we're hoping to be that by the end of the season."

It may be a new era at Midland High, but it doesn't have to be filled with any less success than the previous one. It just might be harder to come by at first.

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EDWARDS

From 1C

In an effort to become a more consistent team on both ends of the floor, Lawrence is hoping to move Edwards out of the point guard role, which she often manned last season. Lawrence believes Edwards is Lee's best shooter and relieving her of all the ball handling responsibilites should open up more opportunities for her to score.

"She's really a shooting guard," Lawrence said. "She had to transition to point guard last year because we needed her there and she did it without complaining. But she can really shoot. It's hard to play point guard and defend the ball the whole game at the other end, then come back down and expect to be the leading scorer."

In order for Edwards' move to work, the Lady Rebels must find a consistent ball handler. Lawrence is hoping junior Cindy Benavides, a three-year letterwinner, can take over that spot, but also believes freshman Daija Stanford and junior Jaylaan Lee could figure into the rotation at point guard.

Edwards is more than happy to move back to shooting guard.

"That's fine with me," Edwards said. "I trust the girls with the ball up there and if they want to give it to me to shoot, then that's fine with me. I think it's a great idea. I don't really mind either position. I'll play either one. Where ever coach wants to put me is where I'll play."

That's because Edwards' main role is ensuring the Lady Rebels are playing deeper into the month of February.

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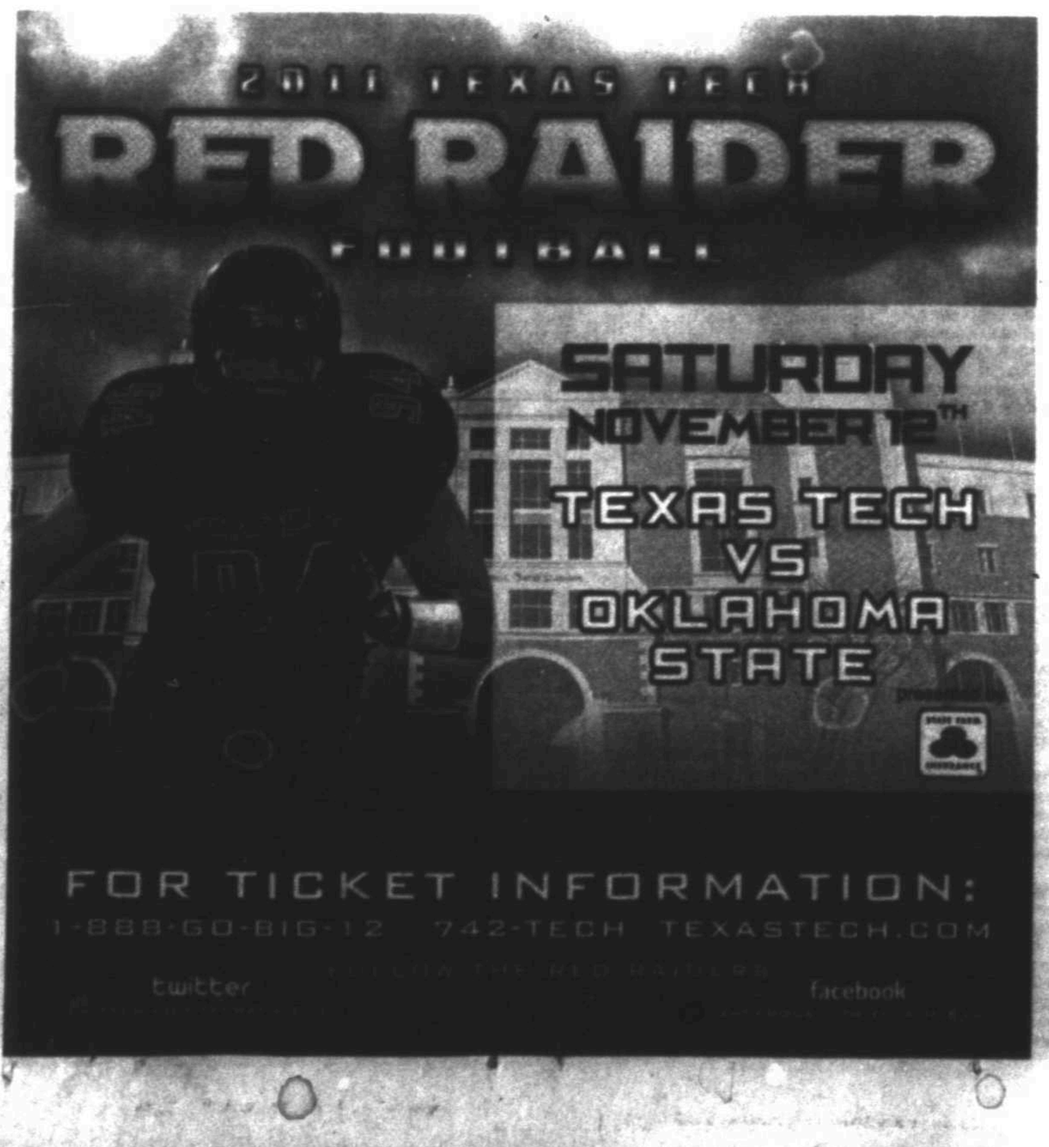

Chaps roll to 2nd straight win

From staff reports

WEATHERFORD, Okla. — The Midland College men's basketball team got its second blowout in as many days Sunday as it rolled to an 84-57 win against Seminole State College.

The Chaps defeated Western Oklahoma State in their season opener Saturday by a score of 91-66.

Jerekious Bradley scored 18 off the bench to lead the Chaps in scoring as Midland College busted open a game that it led 33-32 at the half.

Kelvin Agee and Majok Majok shot a combined 7 of 8 from the field and scored 15 and 13 points, respectively.

Midland College knocked down six shots from downtown in the game and dominated Seminole State College on the glass, outrebounding its opponent 54-20.

The Chaps are now 2-0 to start the season and will compete in the East-West Texas Shootout starting Friday.

MIDLAND COLLEGE 84, SEMINOLE STATE COLLEGE 57

MC (2-0) — Tre Bowman 0 0-0 0, Kelvin Agee 5 4-4 15, Majok Majok 5 3-4 13, Brandon Lucas 3 0-0 6, Melvin Tabb 2 1-2 5, Colsin Wheatley 1 0-0 2. BENCH–Jerekious Bradley 8 1-2 18, Willie Nicholson 1 1-2 4, Michael Taylor 3 0-0 8, Anthony Norris 5 0-0 10, Brandon Maclin 1 0-0 3, Matt Clark 0 0-0 0.

SSC — Kendall Perks 3 6-7 12, Brandon Pancake 4 3-5 12, JoVaugh Love 4 2-5 12, Chase Mongolv 1 0-0 2, Dante Lewis 3 7-9 13, Josh Crolley 1 0-0 2, Austin King 0 2-3 2, Kyle Hart 0 0-0 0, Brandon Woodbie 1 0-0 2, Reed Johnston 0 0-0 0.

Halftime — Midland College 33, Seminole State College 32. 3-point goals — Midland College 6 (Agee, Bradley, Nicholson), Taylor 2, Maclin; Seminole 3 (Pancake, Love 2). Rebounds — MC 54 (Agee 9, Bradley 9), SSC 20 (Lewis 4). Assists — MC 20 (Agee 7), SSC 5 (Corporale 2). Total fouls — MC 24, SSC 14. Fouled out — MC, Lucas; SSC, Woodbie, Tench.

Next game: East-West Texas Shootout, Midland College vs. Navarro College, 8 p.m. Friday

Missouri to SEC a done deal

Alan Scher zagler
Associated Press

COLUMBIA, Mo. — After weeks of waiting, Missouri's move to the Southeastern Conference became official on Sunday.

The SEC released a statement saying the conference's presidents and chancellors unanimously agreed to welcome Missouri into the league effective July 1, 2012.

"The presidents and chancellors of the Southeastern Conference are pleased to welcome the University of Missouri to the SEC," said Florida President Bernie Machen, who is scheduled to join Missouri chancellor Brady Deaton and SEC commissioner Mike Slive at a campus news conference and public celebration of the move later Sunday. "The University of Missouri is a prestigious academic institution with a strong athletic tradition and a culture similar to our current institutions."

Missouri will be leaving the Big 12, a conference it has been a part of since 1907, including its days as the Big Eight and earlier incarnations such as the Big Six. The school could also face the end of annual athletic contests with neighboring Kansas, a rivalry with roots in the Civil War. The teams first met on the football field in 1891, the sport's oldest traditional matchup west of the Mississippi River.

LSU, Oklahoma State take lead in BCS race

By Ralph D. Russo
Associated Press

LSU and Oklahoma State took control of the race to the BCS championship game — but don't count out Alabama yet.

The day after the Tigers and Cowboys stayed unbeaten with their most difficult victories of the season, they also took the top two spots in the BCS standings.

First-place LSU beat Alabama 9-6 in overtime Saturday night in Tuscaloosa, Ala., right about the time second-place Oklahoma State held off Kansas State 52-45 in Stillwater, Okla.

The Crimson Tide only slipped one spot to third.

If the Tigers (9-0) and Cowboys (9-0) remain unbeaten, they should meet in the New Orleans on Jan. 9.

If either slip up, Alabama or fourth-place Stanford are in position to reach the title game as long as they keep winning.

Unbeaten Boise State was fifth and again seems to be a long shot to reach the BCS championship game, though another perfect regular season should get the Broncos into one of the four other marquee games.

Oklahoma is sixth. Oregon, which plays Stanford on Saturday, is seventh.

But from this point on the focus will be on LSU and Oklahoma State.

Coach Les Miles' Tigers were No. 1 in both the Harris poll and the coaches' poll, and they were tied with Oklahoma State for the best computer rating.

LSU has an easy nonconference game against Western Kentucky on Saturday, followed by game at Mississippi, which is last in the SEC West. The Tigers finish the regular season at home against Arkansas, which is eighth in the BCS standings and not out of the running in the West.

If LSU wins the West, it will face either South Carolina or Georgia. Win them all and LSU will play for its third BCS title in the Superdome, where it won its first two.

Quarterback Brandon Weeden and the Cowboys, who have never played for a BCS title or in any other BCS game, were second in the Harris poll and third in the coaches' poll, behind Stanford. But playing in the Big 12 has bolstered Oklahoma State's strength of schedule and made the Cowboys virtually impossible to catch — unless they lose.

The next two weeks, Oklahoma State is on the road, at Texas Tech and Iowa State. The Cowboys have a week off before playing rival Oklahoma at home on Dec. 3, the same day as the SEC title game, to finish their regular season.

Alabama has games at Mississippi State and at Auburn sandwiched around a home game against Georgia Southern.

Stewart wins at Texas, only 3 points from Edwards

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

FORT WORTH — Another round to Tony Stewart, and quite a fight for the Cup title with two races left.

Stewart raced to his second consecutive victory, and won for the fourth time in eight NASCAR Chase for the Sprint Cup races, finishing just ahead of points leader Carl Edwards in the so-called "Texas Title Fight" that fully lived up to its billing Sunday.

And Stewart backed up his challenge.

After winning last week at Martinsville, Stewart got out of his car in Victory Lane and said Edwards "better be worried. That's all I'm saying."

Now it looks like a two-driver fight for the championship with two races left after they finished 1-2 at the 1 1/2-mile, high-banked Texas track.

Stewart cut his points deficit from eight points to three with an average speed of 152.705 mph, the fastest Cup race at Texas, and a 1.092-second margin over Edwards.

MASON

From 1C

Region will be a treat from the bi-district round to the regional final.

In the first round alone you'll see Allen-Keller Central and Trinity-Duncanville, four teams with five losses between them, and Plano East — the same team that put a scare into then-No. 1 in the nation Allen — taking on undefeated Carroll.

And, of course, you'll see the always-interesting 3-5A-4-5A matchups between Permian and Bowie and Midland High and Martin.

District 4-5A is traditionally one of the strongest in the Metroplex, but last year 3-5A got the best of it in the first round matchups with Midland High, Abilene High and Abilene Cooper all advancing to the second round. Only Odessa High, who lost to Martin, wasn't able to advance.

In Region I, Permian returns to the playoffs after a two-year hiatus to take on Bowie, a team that its crosstown rivals are familiar with after the Volunteers handed Odessa High a 50-7 beatdown in the season opener.

Bowie has since proven mortal, but will still have all of coach Gary Gaines and Permian's respect as they try to dismiss Bowie in the first round as Midland High did last year.

Midland High, meanwhile, gets Martin in a fascinating matchup at Cowboys Stadium.

You've got TCU-commit Devonte Fields, a 6-2, 240 pound defensive end who's returned a kick for a touchdown, going against Midland High's massive and talented offensive line.

You've got Midland High's dynamic receiver Donavon Lee going against Eric and Stephen Amoako, twin defensive backs heading to Oregon.

And you've got the Bulldog front seven, led by run-stuffer Dutton Watson, going against Kyle Hicks, a well-regarded 2013 prospect who's averaging 9 yards a carry on the season.

It doesn't get any easier for whoever wins with the winner of El Paso El Dorado and San Angelo Central, a team that was up 21-0 against Midland High, on tap for the second round. After that? Perhaps the winner of a matchup between undefeated Allen and undefeated Trinity.

Of course, nothing is a given in this Region.

All that is for sure is that the winner of Region I will have good reason to feel that it emerged from the toughest region in the Texas state playoffs.

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GOLF

From 1C

we know there are some good teams in our area once again," Poss said. "The competition is going to be really good. This course is one that is a national championship-caliber type of course and it's really good training for the guys to be able to play on it."

What has encouraged Poss is not only the finishes the team has posted this fall, but also the fact that they have posted some sub-300 rounds.

"We've been in like the third and fourth range in all the tournaments, which is good inexperience we have and caliber of teams we've been playing against," Poss said

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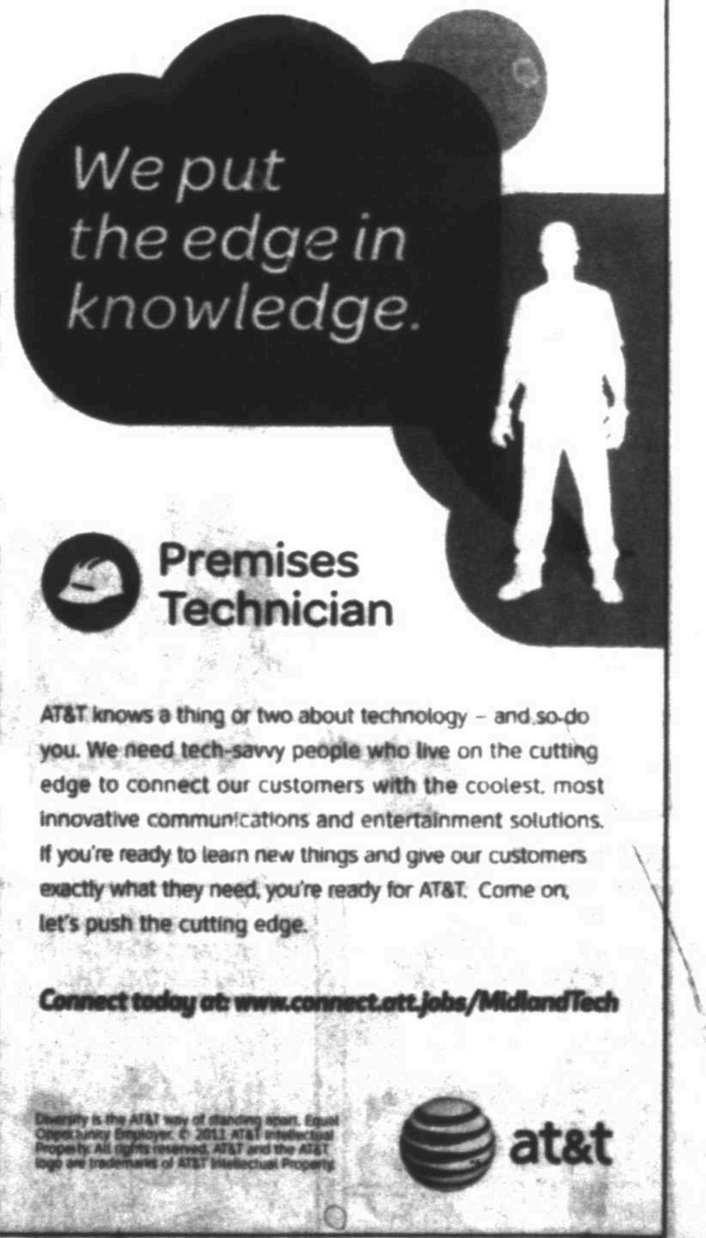

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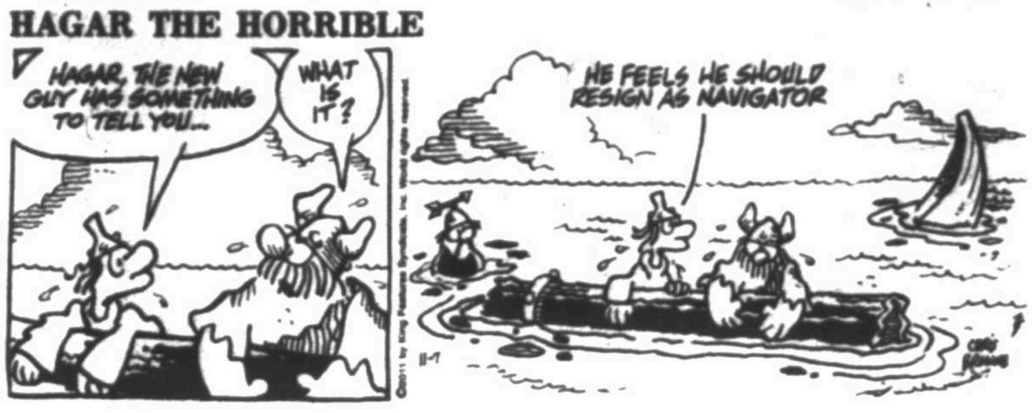

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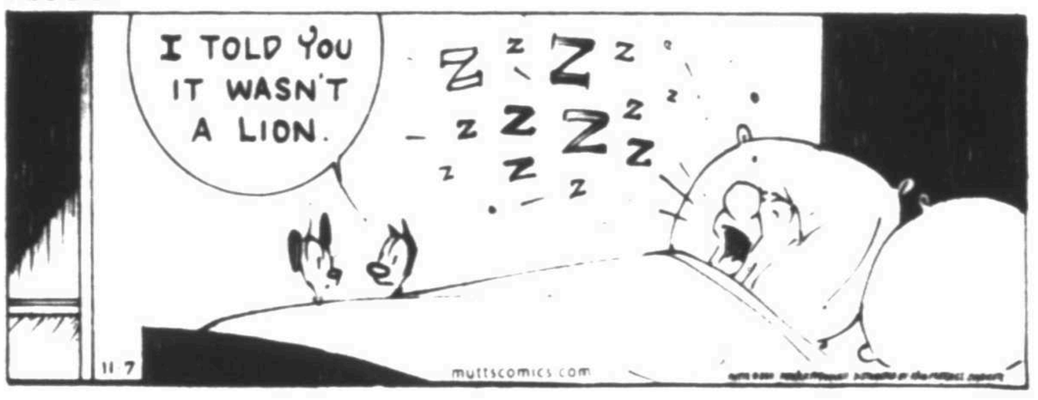

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CLOSE TO HOME

"Our house is directly in the migratory path of Canada geese, so we keep the windows open until mid-November."

DENNIS THE MENACE

"IT SAYS, 'MS. MITCHELL, DENNIS WAS A GOOD BOY TODAY. THOUGHT YOU'D ENJOY THE SURPRISE.'"

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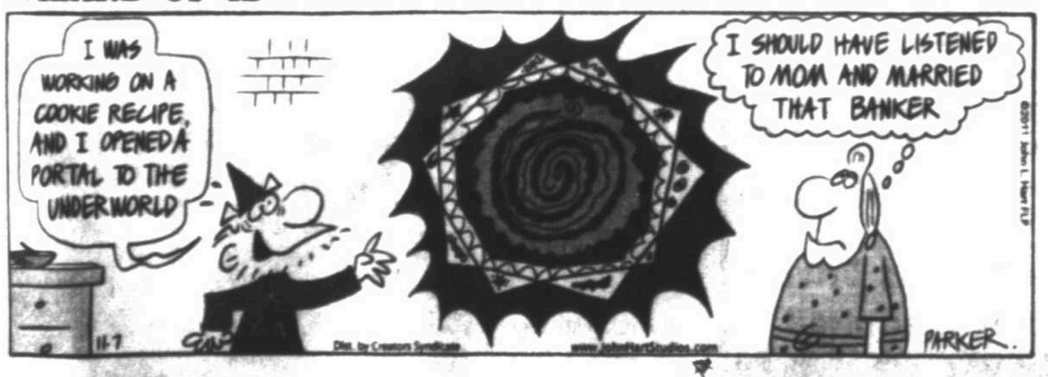

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"I'M NOT LOOKING FOR LIFE IN THE FAST LANE, LEROY... I'D JUST LIKE TO LEAVE THE PARKING LOT."

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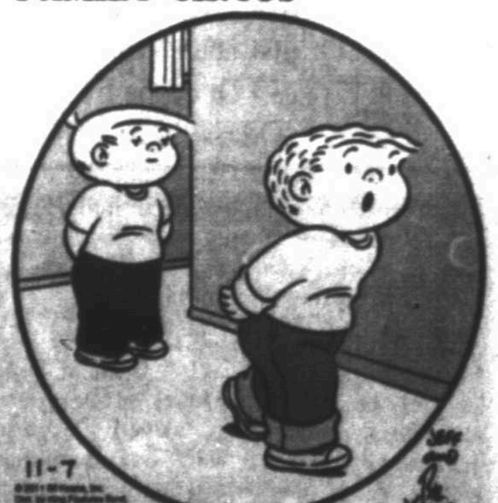

"Billy called me a nerd. Is that a good thing or a bad thing?"

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TUESDAY Sunny high 66 low 35

WEDNESDAY Sunny high 57 low 31

LOCAL FORECAST

Expect mostly sunny skies today with a high around 79 and south winds between 15 and 20 mph with a 10 percent chance of thunderstorms. Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy conditions with a low around 42 and south winds between 5 and 15 mph with a 30 percent chance of thunderstorms.

Tuesday, look for sunny skies with a high around 66, a low around 35 and west winds between 20 and 25 mph.

Wednesday, look for sunny skies with a high around 57 and a low around 31.

The high Sunday reached 74 while the low dropped to 44. The record high for Nov. 6 is 84 set in 1977. The record low is 21 set in 1959.

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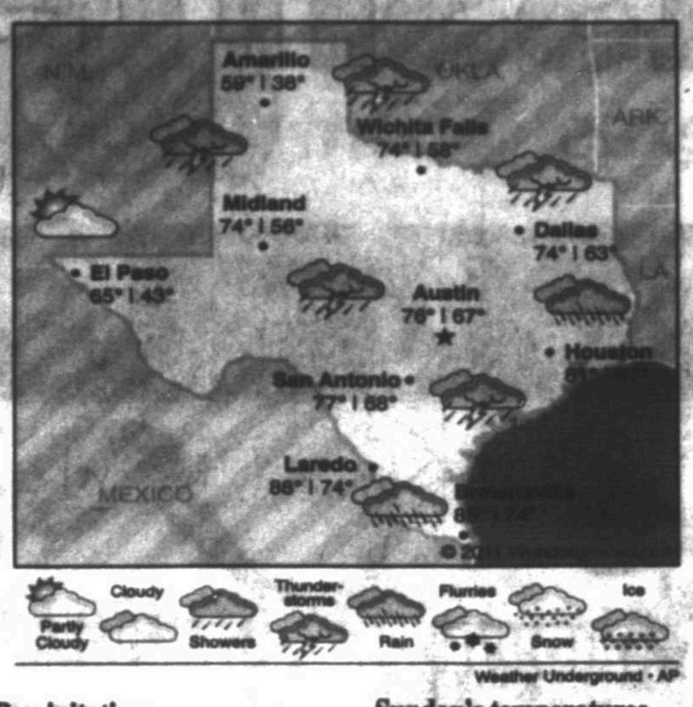
A large dome of high pressure will continue to have a firm grip on the Northeast and South on Monday, allowing dry and mild conditions to unfold.

Florida's weather will be influenced by a storm churning well offshore. Gusty winds will blow across the entire state, while spotty showers dot its east coast and the Keys.

As a more potent storm emerges from the Rockies, severe thunderstorms will occur across western parts of Texas and Oklahoma.



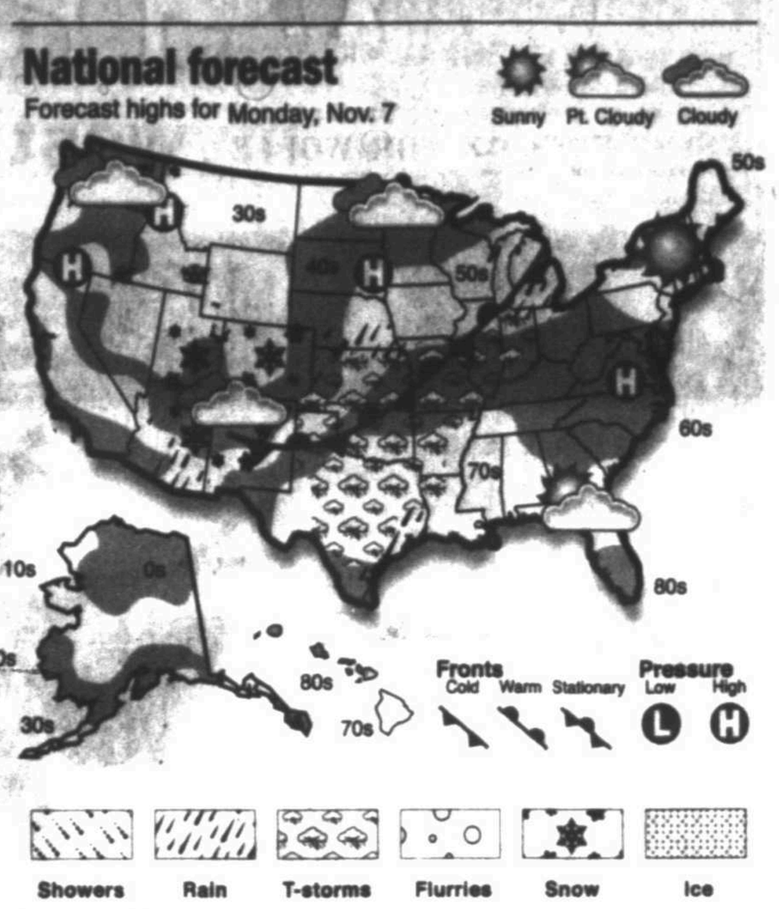
Precipitation

Rainfall Saturday	0.00 in.
Rainfall Sunday	0.00 in.
Total for month	0.00 in.
Total for year	3.66 in.
Normal total (year to date)	13.47 in.

Sunday's temperatures

High	74
Low	44
Normal high	70
Normal low	43

Sunrise ... 7:10 a.m.
Sunset ... 5.54 p.m.



Lonely boy needs wife's sympathy, not suspicion

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: Our neighbor's son, "Donny," has become a regular fixture in our home. His parents divorced years ago, and his father is terminally ill.

Donny has "adopted" me as a father figure. We have spent a great deal of time together. Not having a son — I have daughters — I admit that being with him is a novelty.

My wife, on the other hand, feels no one should "infiltrate" her family. There are few boys in our neighborhood, and Donny isn't old enough to venture to other streets in search of playmates. I can't bring myself to turn him away knowing how lonely he is and how difficult his life will become. I worry he's a prime candidate for a predator, or that he could start drinking or smoking at an early age. I'd rather have him in our house where I know he's safe.

My wife says we can't save everyone, and I know that. But when I hear about the bad things that happen to kids on the news, it makes me wonder where was someone who could have helped them.

How can I get my wife to see this is a chance to make a differenoe in this boy's life, and that he's no threat to our family unit? — FRIEND OF A LONELY CHILD

DEAR FRIEND: Your wife appears to be responding to Donny on an emotional rather than a rational level. Because she didn't "produce" a son, she views the time or emotional nourishment you give Donny as something being taken away from her daughters. That's sad.

It's possible that a religious adviser could help her to view this differently, but if she can't find sympathy in her heart for the boy, then I recommend you talk to Donny's mother about finding a Big Brother for him, through her religious denomination.

DEAR ABBY: My 16-year-old son, "Victor," is hearing- impaired. He wears hearing aids in both ears. The aids are small and not easily seen.

Recently we were in a new doctor's office, and the nurse was talking to my son but looking in another direction. When I explained that Victor is hearing- impaired and couldn't hear her, she replied, "Oh, I know teenagers — selective hearing." I said, "No, he is hearing-impaired and wears hearing aids."

The same thing happened at summer camp. My husband said Victor has a hearing problem, and the counselor responded with, "So I need to smack him on the side of his head to get him to listen?"

Please inform your readers that hearing aids aren't just for older people. My son has informed people he wears hearing aids because he can't hear well, and he still gets the same smart-alecky retorts. Have you any suggestions? — NOT BEING FLIPPANT IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR NOT BEING FLIPPANT: Oh, yes. The nurse in your doctor's office was tactless. If she didn't apologize for her comment, you should have mentioned it to the doctor so he could educate her not only about hearing loss, but also about diplomacy. As to the ignorant camp counselor, your husband should have immediately reported it to the camp director.

After reading your letter, I consulted Dr. Rick Friedman at the House Ear Clinic in Los Angeles, who told me that approximately one in 2,000 children is born with hearing problems. (There is a genetic component, and hearing problems can run in families.) Being subjected to loud noises also can have a negative impact on hearing, and Friedman said studies are being conducted to determine to what extent.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Bidding Quiz

Q 1 — East-West vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠ J 7 ♡ A 3 ◇ K 7 6 4 3 ♣ J 10 9 2
The bidding has proceeded:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1♠	2♣	?	

What action do you take?

A — You simply do not have the values either to double for penalties or take positive action. Pass. If partner has a good hand there is still time to get into the auction.

Q 2 — Both vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠ 6 5 3 2 ♡ K ◇ J 9 7 2 ♣ A K 7 3
Partner opens the bidding with one heart. What do you respond?

A — The rule for responding to partner's opening bid with two or more four-card suits could not be simpler — you bid your suits up the line. Respond one spade. If you do anything else, you could miss a 4-4 spade fit because, should you respond two clubs and then bid spades, partner will expect your first suit to be at least five cards long.

Q 3 — Both vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠ A K J 6 3 ♡ A 8 2 ◇ 6 ♣ A Q 9 2
Your right-hand opponent opens the bidding with one diamond. What action do you take?

A — These days, a simple overcall of one spade can be made on good hands, but we would not take that action here. Not only is the hand too strong, but it could play in any one of the three unbid suits. Make a takeout double, then bid spades over partner's response.

Q 4 — Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠ A 10 9 4 ♡ 7 3 ◇ A J 9 3 ♣ K 5 4
The bidding has proceeded:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1◇	Pass	2♣	Pass
?			

What do you bid now?

A — On this specific auction, the modern style is to employ the rebid in a major as showing no extra values, as a normal reverse would. Since raising clubs suggests a stronger or more distributional hand in support, we would rebid two spades — not two no-trump without a heart stopper.

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Nov. 7, 2011:

This year you might feel that people are putting you under unusual pressure. You wonder why. Often there are mixed messages. Friends in general are angry, and it might have more to do with the circumstances than with you. If you are single, you could meet a potential suitor through a group event or happening. If you are attached, sometimes you could be confused by a certain vagueness from your sweetie. Clarify and confirm as much as you can. ARIES pushes you hard.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ Anger could point to why some situations are backfiring. You often feel the frustration and irritation. Trying to identify what is going on could be futile at present, whereas you can control where you unleash your anger. Go for a walk, and another walk if need be. Tonight: Whatever makes you smile.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ A vagueness surrounds plans or a goal. A special long-term goal could be more important than you realize. A friend could inspire you, but is this person all talk? Be aware of what is going on. A romantic tie isn't satisfying. Tonight: Play it low-key.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Zero in on what counts. You could be exhausted by recent happenings. A vagueness surrounds a boss, which makes it difficult to please him or her, much less come out ahead of the game. Suppressing anger doesn't work. Try to work through an issue within. Tonight: Keep your goal in mind.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ A boss knows how to trigger you and move you in his or her chosen direction. You could feel vague about alternatives, though you are sure there are quite a few. Relax rather than get absorbed mentally and cause yourself a problem or lose your temper. Tonight: Burning the midnight oil.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ Let your imagination wander. While someone might be vaguely upset with your lack of interest, you also could make a mistake financially. Try not to distort the here and now with your mental leaps. Try being more understanding with a partner. Tonight: Put on a good piece of music.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ You might be losing your temper a bit more easily than in the past. You might wonder what is going on. Rest assured you are not the only person asking this question. A partner or close associate could be confused. Be direct. Tonight: Dinner for two.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Others steal the stage and interfere with what you see your message to be. As tension mounts, you worry. You know what you want and why. Now allow yourself to wait a few more days as others expound on their views. Tonight: Work out stress.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Be aware of your limits. A friend might push to get you more involved. A meeting could demand much more from you than you originally thought. Knowing your boundaries and how to say no could be more important than you realize. Tonight: When tired, call it a night.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ Let your imagination flow. You could encounter some frustration when dealing with a boss, who seems irate and difficult to handle. You might be confused on a deep level as to what you did or how you triggered this person. Don't push. Tonight: Ever playful.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Don't push too hard to get an agreement. Before you know it, others could act strangely. Your sixth sense kicks in, giving you direction on what to do. Make phone calls to those you believe really understand the dynamics. Tonight: Give it time!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ Your words might not have the impact you desire. You don't know what you want or where you are heading. Be careful with your finances, even in front of an expert. He or she might not have the same ideas as you. In this case, this person could be wrong. Tonight: Listen rather than offer.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Someone comes on a little too strong for your taste. All you can do is be your gracious self. Your willingness to get past an immediate problem touches another person, even if he or she gives you flak. Understand what needs to happen. Tonight: Stay centered.

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BORN TODAY

Evangelist Billy Graham (1918), singer Joni Mitchell (1943), singer Johnny Rivers (1942).

DAILY CROSSWORD

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1 Magician's bird of choice
5 Seattle's Best product, slangily
9 Fall faller
13 Pub picks
14 Special Forces cap
15 Fairy tale starter
16 Strike gold
18 Give __ to: approve
19 Canadian coin nicknamed for the bird on it
20 Hand-waving or finger-pointing
22 For each
23 Mythical Egyptian riddler
25 Cornfield bird
27 Smallest prime number
28 27-Across plus one, in Italy
29 Lines of theater seats
30 Goes down in the west
32 Debatable point
36 Encouragement for a matador
37 Lane straddler
39 LAX hrs.
40 Welsh dog
42 Screwball
43 Dalai __
44 A bit amiss
46 "Milk" director Van Sant
47 Oval segments
48 Guy "nipping at your nose," in a holiday song
52 Inquire
53 Rand McNally references
54 Takes home from the pound
57 Yogi, for one
58 Singer of the 1961 #1 song found in the starts of 16-, 25-, 37- and 48-Across
61 Can of worms, e.g.
62 "Draft"
63 Brooks's country music partner
64 Sources of immediate cash: Abbr.
65 Mends with thread
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1 Author Roald
2 Assortment
3 President's weapon
4 Station with game reports and highlights
5 Clampett patriarch
6 Onassis patriarch
7 Brink
8 Declare to be true
9 Despises
10 Boredom
11 Piece of the sky, to Chicken Little
12 Shipping giant
14 "Sayonara!"
17 It's roughly 21% oxygen
21 Unit of parsley
23 Tinker with
24 Franks
25 Hook nemesis, for short
26 Cylindrical caramel candy
27 General of Chinese cuisine
31 Loud call
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35 LAX incoming hrs.
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41 Amusement park racers
43 Longtime Dodger skipper Tommy
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48 Sluglike "Star Wars" crime boss
49 Persistently bothered
50 Allegation
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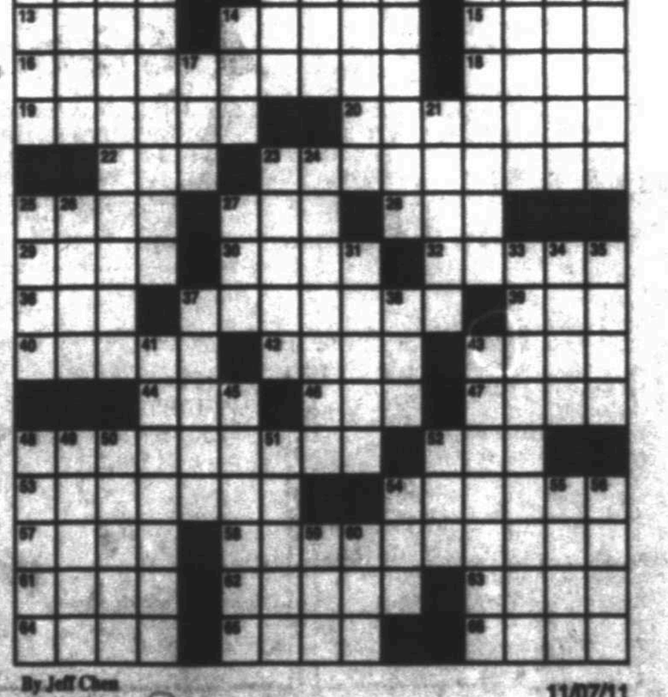

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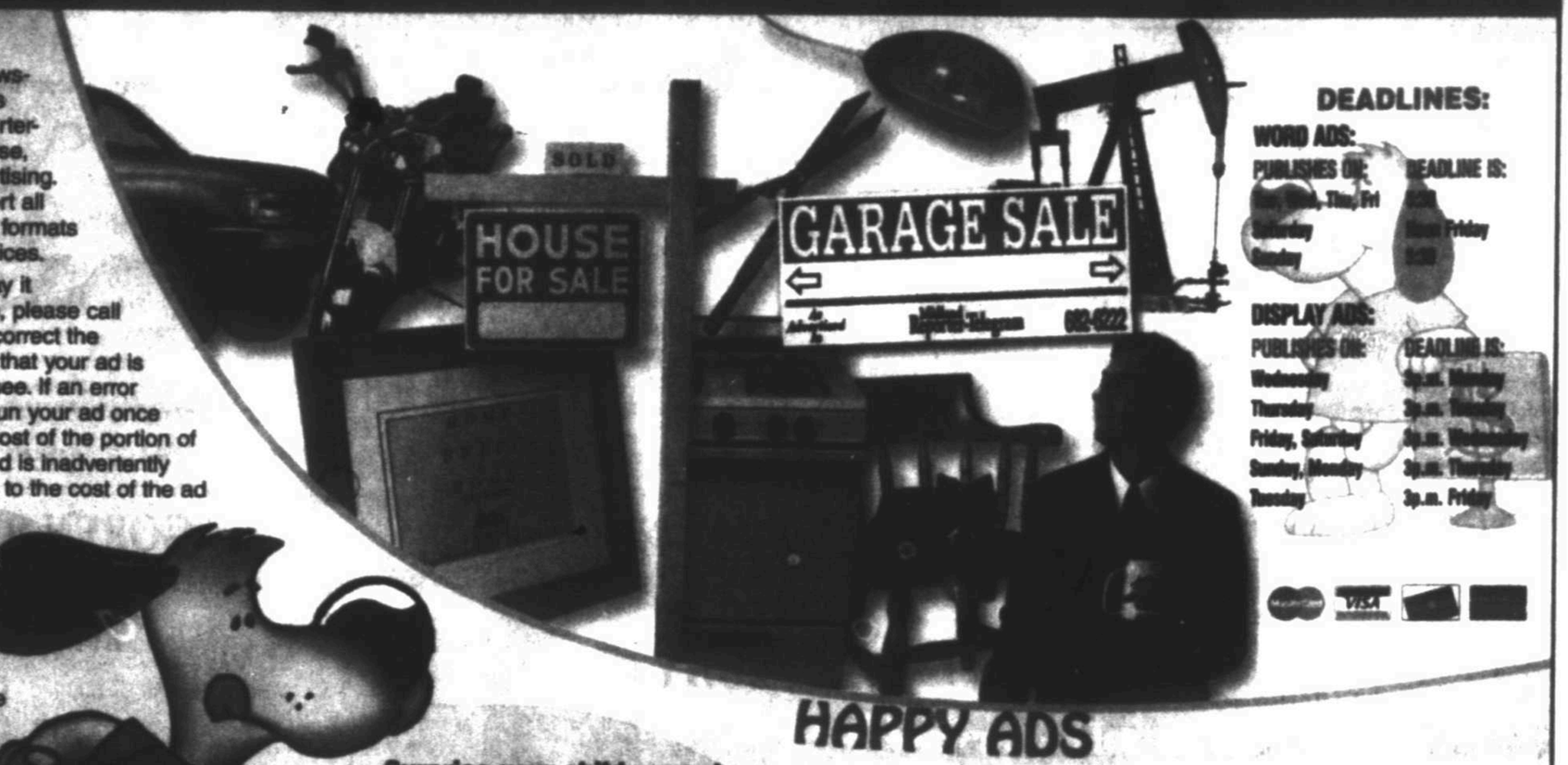

DEADLINES:

WORD ADS:

PUBLISHES ON:	DEADLINE IS:
Sunday, Tues/Fri	2p.m.
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PUBLISHES ON:	DEADLINE IS:
Wednesday	3p.m. Monday
Thursday	3p.m. Tuesday
Friday, Saturday	3p.m. Wednesday
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Tuesday	3p.m. Friday

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Surprise your child, parent, or special friend with a Happy Ad!

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We'll help you design something unique and publish it in the Midland Reporter-Telegram Classifieds...whatever the occasion!

Publish a special memorial to mark the passing of a loved one with an "In Memory Of" ad. Include a poem, prayer, and/or the names of all who care. Also, express your appreciation to everyone who brought food, sent flowers, or was there for you when you needed them most with a "Card of Thanks." We'll help you design a respectful, thoughtful ad.

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Lost & Found

FOUND 2 year old Shepherd mix named Buddy. Free to loving home. 432-230-2763

FOUND CHIHUAHUA male on Sat 10-22 at Mockingbird & Hwy 349. White & tan about 6 months old. House trained, very sweet. 432-528-3008

FOUND FRIDAY 10/21. Yellow lab mixed puppy. Midland Dr. Area. Owner please claim. Call 432-520-5415.

FOUND LAB in Jane Long area Sat 10/29/11. Call to identify 432-230-8286

FOUND Male German Shepherd near Duck Pond. Collar, no tags, no chip. Call 432-528-7757 or 432-557-3578

FOUND MALE Jack Russell mix near HEB. Call 432-889-3518 or 557-5215.

FOUND Nov. 2nd on Teatwood Place by the mall, black, brown, white Terrier mix. 432-553-4010

RED AUSTRALIAN Kettle dog. 18mo to 2 yrs old male. Found a mo. ago. 432-553-5912

LOST Male Italian Grey hound, white, gray skin condition. Call 432-553-5277

LOST SMALL Party Poodle. White with black spots & ears. Vicinity Manarina St and S. Midkiff St. Reward offered. 432-894-5784 or 432-557-3097

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Helen Louise Gesting, Deceased, were issued on August 9, 2011, in Cause No. P16710 pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to Linda Gesting.

All persons having claims against this estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o: **Alan G. Moravcik**
Attorney at Law
4305 N. Garfield, Suite 203
Midland, Texas 79705

DATED this 2nd day of November, 2011

/s/ Alan G. Moravcik
Attorney for Linda Gesting
State Bar No. 14422500
4305 North Garfield, Suite 203
Midland, Texas 79705
Telephone: 432-570-0091
Facsimile: 432-683-3118

General Announcements

The Permian Basin Republican Assembly will host Larry Bell, author of Climate of Corruption, on Thursday, November 10, 2011. Mr. Bell writes for Forbes magazine and is a professor at the University of Houston. He is well-versed on Agenda 21--sustainable development, the Sagebrush lizard and the global warming hoax.

Refreshments will be served.

Date	Thursday, November 10, 2011
Time	5:30 p.m. Interviews & Book Signing 7:00 p.m. Presentation 8:30 p.m. Q&A
Location	Midland College F. Marie Hall
Cost	No charge for college / high school students with ID $5.00 - General Admission

Meetings

Acacia Masonic Lodge #1414
1600 W. Wall
Stated Communication
2nd & 4th Tues @ 7:30pm
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Ed Wilson Sec.
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Business Opportunity

BEAUTY SALON For Sale. Complete operating 6 station hair and nail salon for sale. Quick! Call Tara at 432-254-8444 for price and to view.

BOOTH RENTALS available for new salon. Call 432-689-3432

GET YOUR real estate lic. quickly. SouthWest College. 697-7277

TRADE YOUR low paying CD's for $4,250 monthly income from your investment in Midland Airport Industrial Park. Real Estate. Phone 432-683-1374

Autos For Sale or Lease

Passenger Cars

2000 FORD Taurus, white, 4 dr, all power, 137k. Only $2,300. 432-218-9941

2000 VW Beetle, 82k miles, automatic, sunroof, leather, $5250. Call 694-1100

BMW 2002 530i, silver with black leather interior, power windows & locks, service and maintained at BMW, 108k mi. Asking $8,200. Call 618-0187

NEW TODAY!

BMW 2003 330ci, 104500 miles 2 door, 5-Speed transmission good condition, Silver Gray Metallic exterior, Black interior, WBABN53493JU2921 8, 2WD. All options. Loaded. $12500 (432) 889-8279

BMW 2007 750li, black, tan interior, 70K miles, excellent condition, loaded. Call 432-413-5040.

BUICK 1995 LeSabre. 1 owner, 4DR, 74k miles, $4950. 1205 McDondald, 79703. Call 432-218-9534.

BUYING/Hauling Off Junk Or Unwanted Vehicles. Dependable Junk Removal. 432-352-5031

CADILLAC 2007 DTS, V-8, leather. We finance. W.A.C. 24 mo warranty. 683-6222.

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Passenger Cars

CHEVROLET 1997 Camaro. 198K miles. 30th Anniversary Edition T-Tops, leather seats. Needs some work. $2,000. OBO. Call Whitney 432-238-1548

CHEVY 2000 Camaro V6. Auto. We Finance. B&B Auto Sales 432-683-6222

FORD 2002 Mustang, V-6, Auto, low miles. We finance. W.A.C. B&B Auto 683-6222

FORD 2008 Focus SE 4 Door. 4 Cylinder. We finance. W.A.C. B&B Auto 683-6222

LINCOLN 1997 Towncar, very clean, very low miles. $7250. Call 432-697-5339 or 432-770-5538

LINCOLN CONTINENTAL 2010 Signature Limited, fully loaded, 23,500 mi with 4 years and 76,000 mi left on bumper to bumper warranty. This car is showroom condition all the way. $23,500. 432-556-7765

MERCEDES 2004 E Class, looks, brand new black w/leather interior, new tires, 33K miles. $22,500. Call 631-8045 / 683-5625. At Carter's Furniture.

MERCEDES 2007 CLK350, converisble, 39K miles, excellent condition, $32,000. Call 432-664-0064.

Passenger Cars

NISSAN 2004 350Z Touring Roadster. Nice/Clean. $12,800. 432-266-2662

NISSAN 2007 350z Roadster Touring. Take your top down and drive it like you stole it. Black on black. Rose 18 in wheels. Automatic with Tiptronic shifter. 6 disc player. 23,900 miles. $22500. Call Larry at 349-4788

SCION 2005 XB Black base model, good condition. 55k miles. $8500. 432-661-9355

TOYOTA 2000 Celica GT automatic, good condition. Asking $3,900. OBO. 432-599-0233

TOYOTA 2010 Camry Hybrid. 23,000 miles, like new condition. $21,500. (432) 230-7994. reinthwb@hotmail.com

VOLVO 2005 S80 T6. All power. Pearl Tan Leather. 65K. Excellent. $13,900. OBO. 638-0603.

WANTED!
Will buy wrecked & unwanted cars & pick-ups. 432-685-4078

Hybrid

TOYOTA 2008 Prius white, loaded, plus navigation. $16,975. 82k mi. 684-6666

Exotic Cars

DODGE 01 Viper. 5,000 miles, excellent condition, yellow. $39,500. 432-694-8280

Antique & Vintage

BMW 1987 535is white wired leather interior. 231K miles. $4,750. 432-694-7564 or 432-352-4054

FORD 1969 Mustang, fast back, new interior, looks sharp. $17,500. Call 432-352-7545

FORD 1977 RANCHERO RARE Squire Trim. 351M-V8 runs good, interior good, needs exterior restoration. $2,500. Call 432-694-9663

Pickup Trucks

2006 TOYOTA Tundra TRD. 4.7 L V-8, 2WD. Towing Package. 71k. $15,000. 770-6643

CHEVROLET 2003 S10 ZR2, extended cab, auto, 4WD, 6 cylinder 4.3, 3 inch lift, 31 X 10.5 tires. 76k miles, excellent condition, great power, spray on bed. 408-839-0318

CHEVY 2006 extended cab LS. 24mo warranty. B&B Auto Sales 432-683-6222

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Pickup Trucks

CHEVY 2003 F-150 Super Crew, good work truck. $5500. 553-0296

FORD 2010 F-350 4x4 1 ton dually diesel, lariat, white, leather, running board, fuel tank/tool box, 5th wheel receiver, goose neck ball, chrome wheels, 30K miles. $39,500. Call 432-967-2243

GMC 2007 2500 HD crew cab, 4x4, LS. $17,999. 24 mo warranty. 683-6222

MITSUBISHI 2008 Raider, crew cab, 34k miles, w/ warranty. B&B Auto 683-6222

Vans & Minivans

MINI BUS for Sale. 2000 Ford H50 Mini Bus, wheel chair accessible, air conditioner/ heater works, 253k Hwy miles. $8,000 OBO. Call Amy @ 432-296-1826

PONTIAC 2004 Montana minivan, 7 passenger seating. Nice van. $2800. 432-664-4690

Pickup Trucks

FORD 2008 F-250, super duty, crew cab, power stroke V-8 diesel, tow package, power seats, power tow mirrors, power windows, audiophile AM-FM-CD, Sirius, premium stereo package, Pueblo gold metalic with tan interior, 53K miles, some warranty remaining, Yokohama new tires & factory alloy wheels, still smells & looks new! **NADA $31,200 will take $29,500.** Call 432-258-6250

Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 7C
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Oct 14 2011
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Nov 28, 2011
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

Rule 38 Case No. 7C-0272927
Status/Permit No. 725809

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. 34, Blk. B, CCSD/RGNG RR CO/THORNTON, J W Survey, A-696, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, UPTON County, being 14.2 miles N direction from RANKIN, Texas.

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

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Nov 28, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

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

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name:	UNRUH	
Lease/Unit Well No.:	14	
Lease/Unit Acres:	640.0	
Nearest Lease Line (ft):	1770.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft):	1192.0	
Lease Lines:	1980.0 F SOUTH L.	1770.0 F EAST L.
Survey Lines:	1980.0 F SOUTH L.	1770.0 F EAST L.

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

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA): Special Rules 467/660, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 11000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, MICHELLE TESTA, at (972) 969-4088.

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Weaver LLP FT
Regional public accounting firm seeking Tax Manager for Midland office. CPA and 5+ years of experience required. Please send resume to: jessica.holloway@weaverllp.com

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Now Hiring
Stanley Ford Andrews FT
We are looking for someone with experience in Parts & Service, & a Maintenance person. Please come by for an application Stanley Ford, 1700 N Hwy 385 Andrews, Texas 79714.

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Office Assistant
Texas Refreshments
2000 Market Street
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The largest and fastest growing vending provider in West Texas, is seeking a qualified Office Assistant to join the winning team. Applicants must be able to type 45 wpm, file, organize & have good phone ethics, applicant must be able to pass a background check. Hours of operation are Monday thru Friday 8am-5pm. We will provide competitive salary, free Health Insurance, after 90 days of employment. Qualified applicants can apply in person or send resume to: Texas Refreshments, Attn: John Chavez, P.O. Box 50128, Midland, Tx. 79710. Texas Refreshments is a EOE

CONSTRUCTION & FACILITIES

Construction Worker
H-R Builder FT
Construction Worker, 14 temporary pos, Robert Flores dba H-R Builder, Midland. 1/2/12-10/31/12. Dig, spread, level dirt/gravel; lift, carry, hold & clean building materials, equipment, tools & supplies. Transportation for multiple worksites within Ector & Midland counties. Must be able to lift 50lbs. No exp req'd will train. 40 hrs/wk, no OT potential. 8a-5p, M-F. We will offer a wage of $11.00/hr. We may be required to offer a wage of $14.28/hr for work performed on or after 11/30/11. To apply email resume to robertcflores@suddenlink.net or call Robert at 432-978-7241. Refer to JO#TX681 9998.

CUSTOMER SERVICE

SEASONAL HELP WANTED
Susie's South Forty Confections, Inc. is hiring for all departments - kitchen, retail store and shipping department. For shipping department and customer service computer experience is a must. Apply in person at 1515 S. Fairgrounds Rd., Monday-Friday only. No phone calls.

ENERGY & UTILITIES

Backhoe Operator
TCO Field Services FT
Needed Backhoe operator Must have Class A CDL license with clean driving record. Must be able to pass drug test. Apply in person at Tco Field Service, Inc office at 2815 East I-20.

Geologist
Confidential FT
Independent Big Spring Oil Company needs an experienced Geologist (engineering experience preferred). Competitive pay and benefits. Send resume to: M- 10 c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois Midland, TX 79701

H2S Supervisors & Shop Technicians
Secorp Industries FT
Established Oilfield Service Company has immediate openings for Shop/District Supervisors, H2S Safety Technicians and shop Technicians Oilfield experience a plus. Mechanical abilities and medical certification helpful. Job consists of both shop and field work, must be able to work extended hitches on locations. Good Driving Record and Reliable transportation recommended. Include references and salary requirements on resume. Send Resume and Salary Requirements to 6937 E. Commerce St Odessa, TX 79762 Phone: 432-614-2585 Fax: 432-614-2546 Email – james.strange@secorpindustries.com

Land Supervisor
Confidential FT
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Regulatory Analyst
BC Operating, Inc. FT
BC Operating, Inc. is looking for a Regulatory Analyst to make positive contributions to our team. This opportunity is for an individual with at least 3 years related experience who has a strong organizational aptitude, an acute attention to detail, and a great work ethic. Some of the duties may include coordinating electronic production data entry into FieldDirect daily, compiling monthly production allocations and reports for state agencies, and filing monthly production taxes. The Regulatory Analyst will be expected to assist in tracking annual injection well mechanical integrity tests; file drilling and water injection well permit applications; file well completion and workover reports; distribute monthly well test sheets; and train field staff to use the FieldDirect production reporting software.

A clean driving record and high school diploma or equivalent are required. Full benefits package includes major medical, prescription drug, dental, life insurance, and top wage for experienced individuals, 401K matched 5% beginning on your 6 month anniversary, and 2 weeks paid vacation.

Please submit your resume to Jason Wacker at jwacker@bcoperating.com.

HEALTHCARE

CNA
Martin County Hospital Home Health FT
Martin County Hospital Home Health is looking for a full time CNA to work both in the field and in office as data entry/secretarial position. CNA certification required. Bilingual preferred. MCHHH is a great place to work with competitive pay and benefits! Call Allison Roy RN at 432-756-3259.

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Please mail or fax resume to:
Attn: Mary Vasquez
InHome Care, Inc.
808 West Indiana
Midland, Texas 79701
Fax: (432) 686-3960

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RN
Calvert Home Health Care FT
RN NEEDED FOR HOME HEALTH VISITS. Calvert Home Health Care, Ltd. has an immediate opening for a field RN in our Midland office. Experience in home health or hospice nursing preferred. Must be computer proficient. Competitive salary & benefits. Hours are 8 am to 5 pm with occasional on-call and weekend duties. You may email your resume to dmadison@chhol.com, fax it to 686-0469 or come by our office at 6112 N. State Hwy. 349, Ste. A-3 to complete an application. EOE.

Sitters/CNA's
Nurses Unlimited, Inc. FT
Nurses Unlimited, Inc seeking Experienced Sitters/CNA's to work for private duty clients. Hourly rate. Experienced preferred. All Shifts available. Call 522-5060. EOE

HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

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Now accepting applications for Bartenders, Servers & Housekeepers. No phone call please. Apply in person at 1508 Tradewinds Blvd. Midland, 79707.

INSTALLATION & MAINTENANCE

Maintenance Supervisor
SH Management now hiring a Maintenance Supervisor for The Dakota Apartments. Great pay and Benefits! Apply online at www.shmanagement.com or in person at 5101 North "A" Street, Midland, TX 79705 EOE

OTHER JOBS

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an opening in its Production Department for the position of:

Pressman/Pressman Trainee

Slot out Harris N 1650 Printing presses. This 5-6 day per week, fast paced, deadline oriented position, requires: night shift/weekend work, with a strong emphasis on safety. The Midland Reporter-Telegram offers a full package of company benefits including 401K program. Salary DOE.

Send resume and salary requirements to:
John Maddox, Production Director
c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram
201 E. Illinois St., Midland, TX 79701
E mail: jmaddox@hearstnp.com
or
come by 201 E. Illinois Street to fill out an application.

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Bell Ringers
The Salvation Army of Midland
The Salvation Army will be accepting applications for Bell Ringers. Please apply at 300 S Baird

Data Collector
Retail Data FT/PT
RetailData has an IMMEDIATE need for a Data Collector in the Midland, TX area. The successful candidate will be collecting retail pricing information in grocery, office, pet and mass retailer locations. Must be willing to work 20-25 hrs. per week between Sunday-Thursday and 1 week per month 30-40 hrs per week, and travel to Big Spring, TX every other week. Prior grocery, retail, merchandising, inventory or mystery shopping experience helpful but not required. We offer mileage reimbursement and competitive compensation. To apply and for additional information visit our career page on www.retaildatallc.com. No calls please

Detail/Porter
Alderson European Motors FT
Duties include washing vehicles, transporting customers, cleaning the shop. Must have clean driving record, over 21 years of age, and current Texas Drivers License. Apply in person: 1004 S Midkiff Midland TX 79703 432 699 7993 Alderson European Motors

GOLF CART MECHANIC / MAINTENANCE
Midland's Premier Country Club has openings for Golf Cart Mechanic/Maintenance! Experience in small engines & light building maintenance. Position is Full time. In addition to competitive wages we offer paid medical & 401k. Please apply in person Tues-Sun: Midland Country Club, 6101 N. Hwy 349, Midland, TX 79705

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Email: jmaddox@hearstnp.com
or come by 201 E. Illinois Street to fill out an application.
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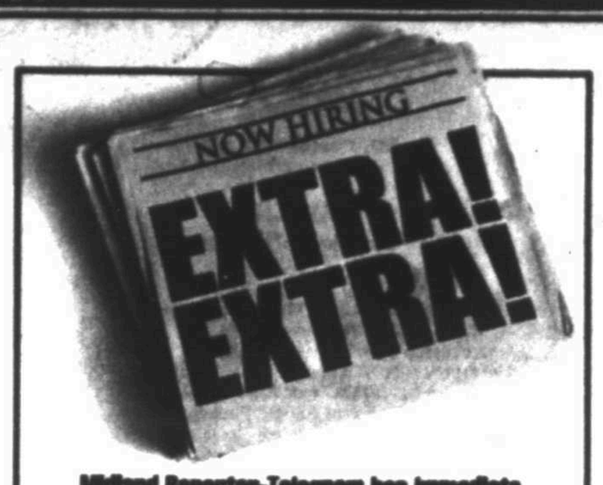

Midland Reporter-Telegram has immediate openings in it's Distribution Department (Mailroom)
Part-Time Shift Work Available
Schedule consists of a combination of day and night shifts. Night Shifts - 12 (midnight) until 3-5 a.m. **Starting pay is $8.00 per hour.**

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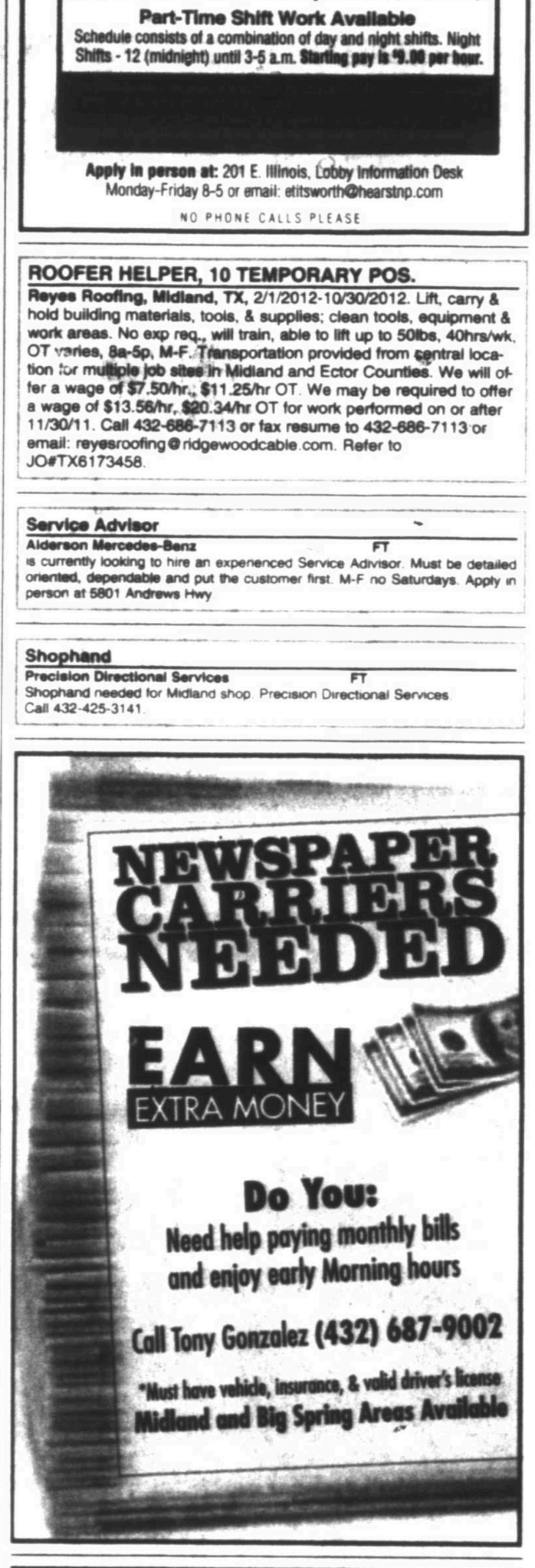
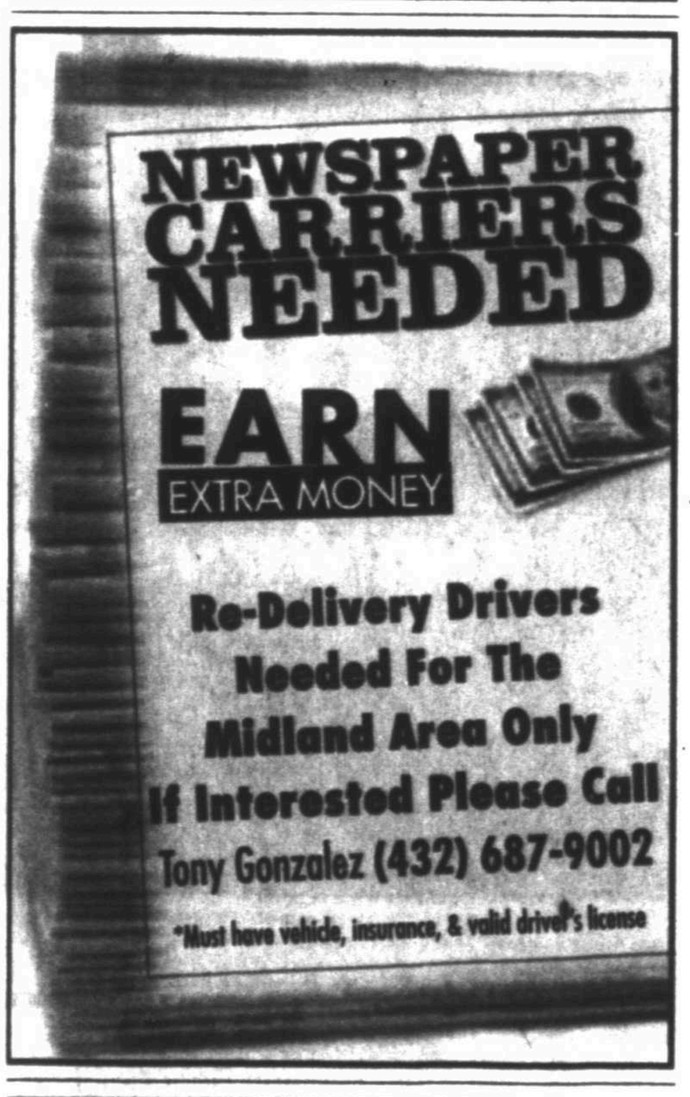
ROOFER HELPER, 10 TEMPORARY POS.
Reyes Roofing, Midland, TX, 2/1/2012-10/30/2012. Lift, carry & hold building materials, tools, & supplies; clean tools, equipment & work areas. No exp req., will train, able to lift up to 50lbs, 40hrs/wk, OT varies, 8a-5p, M-F. Transportation provided from central location for multiple job sites in Midland and Ector Counties. We will offer a wage of $7.50/hr., $11.25/hr OT. We may be required to offer a wage of $13.56/hr, $20.34/hr OT for work performed on or after 11/30/11. Call 432-686-7113 or fax resume to 432-686-7113 or email: reyesroofing@ridgewoodcable.com. Refer to JO#TX6173458.

Service Advisor
Alderson Mercedes-Benz FT
is currently looking to hire an experienced Service Advisor. Must be detailed oriented, dependable and put the customer first. M-F no Saturdays. Apply in person at 5801 Andrews Hwy

Shophand
Precision Directional Services FT
Shophand needed for Midland shop. Precision Directional Services Call 432-425-3141





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