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There's plenty of places in the region for adventure.

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SMALL BITES

In this week's Small Bites, another dining event has opened for Valentine's Day. Also learn which local restaurant's chicken fried steak was listed as one of the best in the state.

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Permian tops 300 rigs for first time in 2 years

Midland County has 40 rigs after adding 4 this week; Reeves County still leads basin with 45

By Trevor Hawes
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It took nearly two years, but the Permian Basin rig count broke into the 300 range this week after an additional six rigs pushed the tally to 301, according to Baker Hughes.

It's the highest rig count in the nation's most active basin since March 13, 2015, when 305 rigs were recorded.

By county, Reeves still leads in the Permian with 45 rigs, down one. However, the Delaware subbasin county has company in the 40s. Midland County, in the Midland subbasin, added four rigs this week for a total of 40.

Other counties with double-digit counts were Lea, New Mexico. (31); Loving (29); Martin (20); Eddy, New Mexico (18); Howard (16); Upton (15); Glasscock (12); and Culberson (11).

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Schlumberger has donated software valued at $44 million to the University of Texas of the Permian Basin geology program.

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Counties that saw renewed activity were Crocket, Stonewall and Mitchell. Counties with ceased activity were Hockley and King.

Railroad Commission District 8 jumped two rigs to 202. For other areas with activity in the Permian, District 7B rose one to four, District 7C held steady at 28, District 8A dropped one to 18, and New Mexico grew four to 49.

The total number of rigs operating in the Texas portion of the Permian was 252, up two. In total, 70 percent of the state's rigs are in the Permian.

The Permian had 172 rigs a year ago.

Texas & New Mexico

Texas added seven rigs this week for a total of 362 statewide.

The Eagle Ford is on the cusp of 60 rigs. This week, the South Texas basin was one shy of that mark after seeing an additional three rigs.

The Haynesville rose one to 31, and the Granite Wash was unchanged at eight. The Barnett had three rigs, also unchanged.

One rig was offshore in Texas waters. There weren't any in inland waters.

New Mexico had 50 rigs, up one. Its lone rig not in the Permian was operating south of Farmington off U.S. Highway 550.

At this time last year, Texas had 248 rigs and New Mexico had 22.

United States

The number of oil rigs in the U.S. rose eight this week to 591, the most since Oct. 23, 2015, when 594 were recorded. Natural gas rigs were up four to 149, and

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Car-crash cleanup



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

A wrecker crew loads a Ford 450 following a five-vehicle wreck Friday on Interstate 20 near the Cotton Flat Road overpass. The pickup hit the back of a delivery truck and slid underneath.

1 driver hospitalized after 5-vehicle wreck on I-20

From staff reports

The driver of a flatbed pickup was in stable condition Friday evening after being involved in a five-vehicle wreck on Interstate 20 just west of the Cotton Flat Road overpass earlier in the day, according to a press release from the city's spokeswoman.

The investigation revealed that the wreck involved five vehicles, spokeswoman Sara Bustilloz said.

A red Nissan Titan that was pulling a trailer was traveling eastbound on I-20 when the trailer began fishtailing. This caused the truck to spin out, and it stopped facing the wrong way. The fishtailing was not caused by actions of the driver, according to Bustilloz.

A red Ford F-150 suddenly stopped to avoid hitting the Titan, and it was rear-ended by a red Ford Explorer, which was then rear-ended by a large, white Hino delivery truck.

The delivery truck was hit by a black Ford F450 flatbed that was pulling a trailer. The black Ford slid under the large Hino truck, causing the driver to be pinned underneath.

The driver of the Ford F450 was transported to Midland Memorial Hospital with non-life-threatening injuries, Bustilloz said.

The wreck occurred about 1:45 p.m. Friday in the eastbound lanes. Eastbound traffic was diverted at the Cotton Flat Road exit, and westbound traffic was temporarily affected while crews worked to pull the driver from the Ford 450.

The drivers who caused the rear-end wrecks will be issued citations for following too closely, Bustilloz said.

92 in early February? The NWS predicts it will happen

From staff reports

If the National Weather Service is correct, today will be a history-making day in Midland.

The NWS expects a high temperature of 92 degrees. That would blister the current record for Feb. 11 by 7 degrees. The record for that day is 85, set in 1962. It also would establish two new records for Midland — a record for the earliest date in any year that the NWS has recorded a 90-degree day and a record for the warmest February day in the city's history.

The earliest recording of a 90-degree degree day was on Feb. 19, 1986. The average high temperature for Feb. 11 is 62, which means a high of 92 would be 30 degrees above average. Ninety degrees is also the highest temperature recorded in February. It has happened at least four times, according to the NWS.

More weather

More snow will likely blanket New England this weekend

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The NWS reported a record-high temperature Friday at Midland International — 85 degrees, breaking the previous record for Feb. 10 (84, set in 1976).

However, what comes up often goes right back down, and that will be the case with the weather. The National Weather Service is calling for a front to bring in 35 mph wind gusts and a high of 56 on Sunday.

The expected high temperature on Monday won't even get into the 40s. A high of 39 is forecast.

The NWS also is calling for a 50 percent chance of showers on Sunday night and 60 percent chance of precipitation all day Monday. A chance of rain remains in the forecast Tuesday.

It won't be until Thursday that temperatures climb back to around normal for this time of year.

NFL more forceful on 'bathroom bill' after Super Bowl

By Paul J. Weber
Associated Press

AUSTIN — The NFL sharpened its warning to Texas on Friday about a "bathroom bill" targeting transgender people, suggesting for the first time that the football-crazed state could miss out on hosting another Super Bowl if the proposal is enacted.

"If a proposal that is discriminatory or inconsistent with our values were to become law there, that would certainly be a factor considered when thinking about awarding future events," league spokesman Brian McCarthy said in response to an email question about the Texas bill.

Although the NFL released a statement about inclusiveness earlier this month prior to the Super Bowl in Houston, it didn't address whether the bill could put future such events at risk for the state.

The NFL has selected future Super Bowl sites through 2021, none of which are in Texas. Dallas hosted the game in 2011 and three Super Bowls have been played in Texas since 2004, which is second only to Florida.

Under the Texas bill, people would be required to use bathrooms that correspond to the sex on their birth certificate. It's similar to a North Carolina law that prompted the NCAA to pull seven championship events from that state last year and is backed by Republican Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, a powerful figure in the state who had cited the Houston Super Bowl as proof that big events will stick around.

Republican Gov. Greg Abbott has been quieter on the proposal and, noticeably, never mentioned bathrooms while laying out his legislative agenda last month.

Following the NFL statement, Patrick's office signaled it was remaining firm and was committed to "making sure that every Texan is welcomed" at sporting events.

"Despite persistent misinformation in the media, under Senate Bill 6, all Texas teams will be able to set their own policies at the stadiums and arenas where they play and hold their events. There is no conflict with the NFL's statement today and Senate Bill 6," Patrick spokesman Alejandro Garcia said.

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Weather
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Energy prices

WTI Futures	$53.86	▲ $0.86
WTI Posted	$50.25	▲ $0.75
WTB Posted	$45.80	▲ $0.75
Natural Gas	$3.034	▼ $0.107
Gasoline	$2.106	▲ $0.016

The big number
An ex-guardsman received
11 years in prison
for joining an Islamic State group. Page 3A

Word of the Day: Ursprache
Do you know what it means? Find out the definition on Page 3A.

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Obituaries



Billie Sparkman Brown David

Mrs. Billie Sparkman Brown David, 91, of Midland, Texas, passed away on February 7, 2017 at her home surrounded by her family.

Billie was born November 4, 1925 to the late Monnie Sparkman and Alice Haden Sparkman in Minden, Texas. She was a teacher at Kiddie Kollege and a partner with her husband, John Brown, in Liberty Reversing Units in Odessa. She taught Sunday school at First Baptist Church of Odessa and was a Sustainer Emeritus of the Junior League of Odessa. She enjoyed traveling and spending time with her family and friends. A treasured daughter, wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend, who will be greatly missed.

A private graveside service will be conducted at Sunset Memorial Gardens, Odessa.

Family and friends are invited to a Celebration of Life at her home in Midland, Saturday, February 11, 2017 from 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Alice Haden Sparkman and Monnie and Eva Harris Sparkman; spouses, John Brown and Max David; son-in-law, Edward B. Weyman; and brothers and sisters, Jack Sparkman, Carl Thomas Jones, Billy Amos Jones, Nora Ann Best, T.J. Jones, Robert Elmer (Bobby) Sparkman, and John William (Buddy) Sparkman.

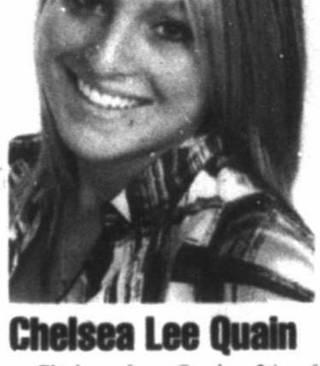
Survivors include her daughters, Candace Brown Rehders and husband Herb of Midland, and Diana Weyman of Midland; grandchildren, David Weyman and wife Jamie of Wimberly, Texas, and Laura Lynn Myers and husband Paul of Dallas, Texas; great-granddaughter, Anna Lynn Myers; brother, Charles Lynn Sparkman of Enumclaw, Washington; sisters, Betty Jean Smith of Henderson, Texas, Gladys Marie Crouch of Kilgore, Texas, Eva Lois Siler of Carlisle, Texas, and Judy Nell Wilkins of Liberty City; as well as numerous nieces and nephews who she greatly cherished and loved.

Honorary pallbearers are her nephews, Jimmy Carl Jones, Joe Jones, Larry Jones, Paul Jones, Jeff Jones, David Jones, Lynn Smith, Neal Smith, Don Smith, David Best, Jon Best, Butch Vance, Monnie Sparkman, John Sparkman, Jacky Sparkman, Stephen Sparkman, William Boyd Sparkman, Rodney Goodwin, Bobby Sparkman, Cole Sparkman, Darren Reeves, and Keith Johnson; and friends, Chuck Holmstrom, John Zant, Gilbert Bates, Brent Bates, Phil Irwin, and Dr. Gregory Bartha

A special thanks to her angel caregivers, Lupe Borunda, Olivia Flores, and Lucy Chavez.

Arrangements are entrusted to Sunset Memorial Gardens and Funeral Home. To send family condolences, please sign her guestbook at *www.sunsetodessa.com* .

SUNSET MEMORIAL
GARDENS & FUNERAL HOME



Chelsea Lee Quain

Chelsea Lee Quain, 24, of Midland, Texas passed away on Wednesday, February 8, 2017. The family will receive friends on Sunday, February 12, 2017 from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held on Monday, February 13, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. at The Genesis Center in Midland.

Chelsea was born on December 12, 1992 to Kimberlea Madry and Steve Quain in San Angelo, Texas. She spent her formative years in Pottsboro, Texas near Lake Texoma and returned to Midland in 2012. Chelsea loved life, the lake, her friends but most importantly her family. Her smile would light up any room she was in. She had a love for animals, especially dogs, and was known to come home with a stray dog or two, at times. Chelsea was JOY.

She is survived by her father, Steve (wife Julie); mother, Kimberlea Earheart; sister, Kaylea Madry; brothers, Tyler, Keith and Caz; grandfather, Steve Quain; Nana, Sue Madry; grandmother, Donna Burrows (husband Ed); uncles, Brian (wife Leslie), Patrick (wife Suzanne), Jack (fiancée Madison); cousins, Hudson, Charleigh, JP, Ryan, Jace, Xander, Bristol and Emersyn; nieces, Amaris, Brianna, and Journee.

She is preceded in death by her great grandmother, Jimmilee Killough Coffee and her uncle, Clint Coffee whom she helped care for before his death on February 4th, 2017.

Donations may be made in Chelsea's name to the charity of one's 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
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Ellis Edward Warren

Ellis Edward Warren III (Dumplin) 54 of Midland, departed from this life on February 3, 2017. He was born August 29, 1962 to Mary and Ellis Warren Jr,. Ellis attended Midland High School where he met his high school sweetheart Judy Johnson the two later married on November 29, 2008. Ellis enjoyed working as a mechanic, fast cars and making people laugh. Ellis was a loving and caring son, grandson, brother, father and friend.

He is proceeded in death by his paternal grandparents and his maternal grandfather. He leaves to cherish his memory his wife Judy Johnson-Warren, two sons, Dedric and wife Kristen Marrs, Daravion Johnso-Warren; daughter, Emiya Johnson-Warren; parents Mary and Ellis Warren Jr., maternal grandmother Pearlie Johnson, two brothers Derrick Warren, Rodney and wife Toccara Warren, sister Monica and husband Isaac Jennings. Three grandsons Jordan, Jeremiyah and Rylan. He is also survived by a host of uncles, aunts, nieces and several close cousins.

Before passing Dumplin found peace with the Lord Jesus Christ stating "God will forgive you for anything, but first you have to forgive yourself". Ellis never met a stranger and was well loved by many people he was dependable, hardworking and helpful.

The funeral is under the direction of Jackie Warren Home. Funeral services will be at 1:00 p.m. at Faith Temple C.O.G.I.C. on Saturday, February 11, 2017. Burial is at Serenity Memorial Gardens Cemetery.



Norma Vey Thurman

Norma Vey Thurman, 83, of Odessa, Texas passed away on February 8, 2017.

Norma was born in Clinton, Oklahoma on February 20, 1933 to Wilson and Arvill Schwab Gibson. She graduated from Chillicothe High School and continued her education at McMurry College.

Norma was married to Olney Thurman on September 20, 1952. They were married 40 years.

After Olney's death, she was married to A.C Norrell on July 28, 2005 and they have been married for twelve years.

Norma worked as a Special Collections Librarian for MCPL for 20 years and then part time at Haley Library for six years. After retiring, Norma volunteered at Trinity School in the early 1990s and more recently at Crescent Park Baptist Church.

She enjoyed genealogy, a good game of Scrabble and singing in the church choir. She and A.C. were active at Crescent Park Baptist Church until a recent illness kept her homebound.

Norma is preceded in death by her parents; her first husband, Olney Thurman; and grandson, John Schuessler.

She is survived by her husband, A.C. Norrell; daughters, Susan Friday (David), Sarah Schuessler and Celia Thurman; six grandchildren; nine great grandchildren; four nieces; one nephew; and brothers, Rex Gibson and Hugh Gibson (Sondra).

Viewing will be held at Ellis Funeral Home on Saturday, February 11, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

A Memorial Service will be held at Crescent Park Baptist Church in Odessa, Texas at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 11, 2017 at with Dale Blake officiating.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to Crescent Park Baptist Church in Odessa, Texas, to Trinity School or St. Ann's Catholic Church, both of Midland, Texas.

The Family of Norma Thurman wishes to thank Crescent Park members and neighbors for their generosity of heart in Norma's final days.

Online condolences may be offered at www.ellisfunerals.com.

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W.D. Whitesides

W.D. Whitesides, age 99 of Westbrook, went to be with the Lord, Thursday February 9, 2017 at the home of his daughter.

W.D. was born and raised in Mitchell County and married his wife, Clola Wilson September 4, 1937 in Colorado City, they were married 73 years. W.D. started working on the Charlie Thompson Ranch and later moved and started working in the oilfield. He eventually went to work for Halliburton Oilfield Services and worked for them for twenty-five years which thirteen of those years were spent in Farmington, New Mexico. He retired from Halliburton and him and his wife returned to Texas in 1970. They settled in Sweetwater, where he worked for the City of Sweetwater operating heavy equipment then moved to Westbrook where he went into business for himself operating heavy equipment.

W.D. is survived by his daughter, Sue and husband Wayne Pierce of Westbrook. He has four grandsons, Tom Whitesides and wife Georgeann of Colorado City and Todd Whitesides of Colorado City, DeWayne Pierce and Cary Pierce and wife Tracy of Westbrook and granddaughter, Stephany Brower and husband Bryan of Plant City Florida. He has 14 great grandchildren and 11 great great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife Clola, his son T.A. and his two sisters.

The family will receive visitors Sunday February 12, 2017 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Services will be Monday February 13, 2017 at 2:00 p.m at First Baptist Church, Westbrook.

Death Notices

Henry Clark Roach (Hank)

Henry Clark Roach (Hank), 85, of Midland, Texas passed away Thursday, February 9, 2017. Memorial services will be held at a later date.

Survivors include son, Dusty Roach; daughter, Tudi Roach Wilson; four grandchildren; eight great grandchildren; sister, Jean Whiteside; and brother, Matt Roach.

James W. Mims

James W. Mims, 93, of Midland passed away on February 9, 2017. Services are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

Mitchell Ray King

Mitchell Ray King, 46, of Midland, Texas passed away Thursday, February 9, 2017. Memorial services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home of Midland.

Survivors include father, Jimmie King, and siblings, Cindy Ingram, Nancy Fitts and David King.

Official: $4B bond meant as jab at trend of exorbitant bonds

By David Warren
Associated Press

DALLAS — A Texas court official said Friday that she imposed a $4 billion bond on a murder suspect as a jab at a "broken" judicial system that too often sets bond so high that defendants are forced to remain in jail.

Bell County Justice of the Peace Claudia Brown said setting exorbitant bonds force too many people to remain in jail until trial. She called the trend "ridiculous."

Brown said she wanted to impose a $100,000 bond on 25-year-old Antonio Marquis Willis when he turned himself in last week, an amount she said most people in the county would have difficulty posting.

But she said she was challenged by law enforcement officials involved in the case who wanted a $1 million bond. Irritated, she then changed the amount to $4 billion.

"I changed the 1 to a 4 and added a whole bunch of zeroes," she told The Associated Press. "At some point in time, I had to alert the system that I am a new judge and I'm committed to changing the system. And this was the perfect time, because this man had come in and turned himself in and they were starting the bail at $1 million."

Willis is charged with first-degree murder in the December death of a man at a house in Killeen. An arrest affidavit alleges the man was shot after repeatedly returning to the home after Willis told him to leave. Willis' attorney, Billy Ray Hall Jr., said he hasn't had a chance to review evidence in the case. But he said Willis has told him he's innocent.

A state district judge lowered the bond to $150,000 later Friday. Brown had acknowledged her bond amount could be seen as a constitutional violation, noting that a judge could lower it.

Brown, who was elected to a four-year term in November, told the Temple Daily Telegram that "everything in the system is broken," and she saw Willis' case as illustrating those failings.

Seana Willing, executive director of the Texas Commission on Judicial Conduct, said she couldn't speak publicly about a specific case. But she said judicial officials must adhere to rules of conduct, such as conducting themselves outside the courtroom in a way that their actions don't call into question their impartiality.

"We would not ever advocate in our sessions to use due process rights as an opportunity to make a statement," added Thea Whalen, executive director of the Texas Justice Court Training Center, which provides training sessions for justices of the peace who are new to the position. "But that's a personal decision that each judge could make."

Records: Undercover FBI agent was near gunmen before attack

By Jacques Billeaud
Associated Press

PHOENIX — An undercover FBI agent who was investigating terrorism was driving past two Arizona men just before they opened fire outside a Prophet Muhammad cartoon contest in suburban Dallas in 2015, court records show, raising questions about whether authorities could have done more to stop the attack.

The records emerged in the criminal case against Abdul Malik Abdul Kareem, a Phoenix man who was sentenced this week to 30 years in prison on criminal convictions that included providing support to the Islamic State group. The Associated Press assembled a timeline of the agent's involvement through court records and interviews that show how the FBI was at the scene of an attack by Islamic State sympathizers.

Two of Kareem's friends, Elton Simpson and Nadir Soofi, were armed with semi-automatic weapons, body armor and had a copy of the Islamic State flag when they arrived at the anti-Islam event in 2015. Investigators say Kareem had trained them on how to use the weapons and watched jihadist videos with them. He was one of the first people brought to trial in the U.S. on charges related to Islamic State.

Kareem wasn't at the event in Garland, but the FBI was. Court records also show that the unidentified FBI agent was in contact with one of the gunmen days before the attack. In one social media exchange, the officer told Simpson, in a bid to keep the conversation going, "Tear up Texas." The two attackers were killed in a shootout with police assigned to patrol the event, and a security guard was wounded.

The fact that there was an FBI agent at the contest in Texas who was in contact with Simpson has drawn criticism from Kareem's lawyer and the security guard's lawyer. They say the government has not been forthcoming about the agent's role in the plot and have questions why the agency didn't break up the plot.

"We are convinced that there is much more to this story than the FBI has admitted ," said Trenton Roberts, an attorney for security guard Bruce Joiner.

The FBI declined to comment on whether the agency believed beforehand that Simpson and Soofi would launch an attack and on Kareem's claim that the agent's presence wasn't revealed to avoid embarrassment. The Garland Police Department also declined to comment.

Kareem's attorney cited the agent's presence outside the event in requesting a new trial. A judge who rejected the request noted that Simpson didn't reveal to the agent that he wanted to go to Texas to launch an attack.

The agent had been sitting in a vehicle outside the Garland convention center just as events wrapped up at the cartoon contest.

A dark sedan in front of the agent made an abrupt stop. As the agent drove around the car, two men with an Islamic State flag, wearing body armor and carrying military-style rifles, got out and opened fire.

The agent drove away and was later stopped by police. The two men were killed in a shootout with law enforcement assigned to guard the controversial event, and the security guard was shot in the leg.

The agent's presence at the contest wasn't publicly revealed until 15 months later and has raised questions about whether authorities could have done more to stop the attack.

There was no mention at Kareem's trial last year that an undercover agent witnessed the shooting and had exchanged social media messages with one of the men days before the attack.

The agent's presence at the event was first revealed in August in court records in a criminal case in Cleveland against Erick Jamal Hendricks, a North Carolina man accused of trying to recruit people to join Islamic State.

Hendricks says he had been paid by the FBI since 2009 to help identify potential terrorists. He has pleaded not guilty to charges of conspiring to provide material support to the Islamic State.

More details emerged in December in court records in Kareem's case, revealing for the first time the officer's proximity to the shooters.

Kareem's attorney said in court records that Hendricks put the undercover agent into contact with Simpson about 10 days before the attack. In one encounter with the agent, Simpson, who had a prior terrorism-related conviction, referred to the upcoming contest in Texas.

On the day of the attack, the agent communicated with Hendricks while the agent was outside the convention center. Hendricks asked about the size of the crowd, whether snipers were present and other questions, according to records.

The agent, according to an FBI record filed in Kareem's case, snapped two photos from the convention center parking lot moments before the shooting. One shows a police officer and another person standing in the distance near a tree. The second image was taken less than 30 seconds before the shooting.

An estimated 25 to 30 officers were at the contest in Garland. Snipers were posted in nearby buildings, and officers stood guard in parking lots and drove around the convention center on motorcycles looking for anything suspicious.

In the days after the shooting, FBI Director James Comey said federal investigators learned only hours before the contest that a man under investigation for extremist activities might show up at the contest and alerted local authorities. Comey also said investigators had no indication that the man planned to attack the event.

Daniel Maynard, an attorney for Kareem, said in court records that the government hasn't explained the agent's presence at the contest. Maynard said the agent did little to stop the attack, according to court records.

WORD OF THE DAY
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Ursprache
[oo r-shprah-khuh]
noun
1. a hypothetically reconstructed parent language, as Proto-Germanic, the ancestor of the Germanic languages



Associated Press

Jackson Miller and his sister Emme sled down a hill at Elizabeth Park, in West Hartford, Conn., on Friday after Thursday's snowstorm. Since Hartford closed school on Friday, Jackson and Emme came to the park with a group of friends to enjoy the snow day off.

After midweek wallop, New England prepares for more snow

By Mark Pratt
Associated Press

BOSTON — More snow will likely blanket New England this weekend even as the region shoveled and scraped its way out Friday after the biggest snowstorm this winter hit the Northeast.

The National Weather Service forecast several more inches of snow today for the region and predicted possible accumulations by Monday of up to 9 inches in Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island and up to 18 inches in the northern three states.

"There's going to be a significant event in the states of Maine and New Hampshire, no question about that," said James Brown, a weather service meteorologist in Gray, Maine.

The heaviest snows were expected to begin Sunday.

Nathan Trimble looked around his Providence, Rhode Island, street Friday and said it already looked like a wilderness scene from the Leonardo DiCaprio movie "The Revenant." He did not like the idea of even more snow.

"I'm just not looking forward to digging out," he said. But "I've lived in New England my whole life, so we'll deal with it."

In Thursday's storm, East Longmeadow, Massachusetts, and East Hartford, Connecticut, hit the jackpot, each with 19 inches of snow. In New York, Voorheesville and New Scotland got 18 inches.

Friday's cleanup meant turning the lights back on in many places, including Cape Cod, where a wind gust of 70 mph was recorded. Most major highways were cleared and planes began taking off again after thousands of flights were canceled across the region during the storm.

Many school districts, including in Boston, remained closed, however.

Boston Mayor Marty Walsh said he would allow people who shovel out parking spots to use makeshift space savers to reserve those spots, as has been the local tradition, but he would not tolerate the threats that often accompany the practice.

Justin Kates, director of emergency management for Nashua, New Hampshire, where about 14 inches of snow fell Thursday, said crews had cleared major roads overnight and were working on sidewalks and residential side streets. City offices were open, although schools remained closed.

"So far, the winter has been all right," he said, recalling the back-to-back storms of a couple of winters ago that "made me question whether I wanted to live in New England anymore."

The storm came a day after temperatures soared into the 50s and 60s, giving millions of people a taste of spring. But the winter chill was expected to stick around and the region braced for more snow.

Kates said Nashua schools could close a third day Monday because the forecast called for another 5 or 6 inches Sunday night and several more Monday morning.

In Westbrook, Maine, workers hustled to clear about a foot of snow from a restaurant parking lot. Manager Sergio Tamburlini anticipated a big day for people looking to get out before more snow sends them indoors.

"Tonight is a good night — if people are going to be out only one night this weekend, they are going to do it tonight," he said.

In Parsonsfield, Maine, where the only plow truck driver for most of the town quit after a storm dumped 25 inches of snow in December, officials said they had received only one complaint Friday morning and operations were running smoothly.

The storm was blamed for at least one death. A New York City doorman, identified by police as 59-year-old Miguel Angel Gonzalez of Bridgeport, Connecticut, died when he slipped while shoveling and hit a glassed-in vestibule.

Ohio governor delays 8 executions as court fight continues

By Andrew Welsh-Huggins
Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Gov. John Kasich on Friday delayed eight executions as a court fight continues over the constitutionality of the state's lethal injection process.

Kasich's announcement postponed the execution of a condemned child killer scheduled for next week until May and moved seven other procedures months into the future.

The Republican governor said the timing of arguments before a Cincinnati federal appeals court necessitated the delay. The court is hearing Ohio's appeal of a federal judge's order finding the state's latest execution process unconstitutional.

Kasich said he's confident Ohio will win the appeal but that the court calendar didn't provide enough time to prepare for executions scheduled this month, next month and April.

"These delays are necessary to allow the judicial process to come to a full resolution, and ensure that the state can move forward with the executions after the appeal is settled," Kasich said.

The delay also leaves open the possibility that, should the appeal reach the U.S. Supreme Court, Neil Gorsuch, President Donald Trump's nominee for the court's vacant ninth seat, will be confirmed and able to hear the case.

The delay was another setback for death penalty supporters who hoped that new supplies of drugs obtained by Ohio last year would allow executions to move forward after a three-years-plus delay.

The state has said it has enough drugs for four executions, but records obtained by The Associated Press indicate Ohio could have enough on hand to put dozens of killers to death.

Ronald Phillips, scheduled to die Feb. 15 for raping and killing his girlfriend's 3-year-old daughter in Akron in 1993, is now set for execution May 10.

Also Friday, the Ohio Parole Board rejected a clemency request by Gary Otte, who shot two people to death in back-to-back robberies over two days in suburban Cleveland in 1992. The board cited the "heinous" nature of the killings. Kasich on Friday moved Otte's execution date from March 15 to June 13.

At issue is a federal judge's ruling last month rejecting the state's latest proposed three-drug execution method, which hasn't been used in Ohio.

As part of that decision, Magistrate Judge Michael Merz said Ohio didn't prove that the first drug in its current three-drug process, the sedative midazolam, doesn't present a substantial risk of harm.

Merz also said the possibility exists that Ohio could obtain the barbiturate pentobarbital.

Ohio says it has made numerous unsuccessful efforts to find pentobarbital. In a court filing last week, state attorneys said they asked seven other states for the drug.

The prisons agency also tried in vain to obtain the active ingredient in pentobarbital in hopes of having a compounded version made, the filing said.

The filing says Ohio asked Alabama, Arizona, Florida, Georgia, Missouri, Texas and Virginia for the drug.

"None of those states agreed to provide pentobarbital to Ohio," according to the filing, which summarized a sealed deposition by Stephen Gray, the prison agency's in-house lawyer.

The filing doesn't say when Ohio made those requests. Of the seven states, only Georgia, Missouri and Texas appear to have reliable sources of pentobarbital when needed. Those states won't reveal the source.

Executions have been on hold since January 2014 when Ohio used a never-tried two-drug combo that it then abandoned.

The prison system says a U.S. Supreme Court ruling last year permitted midazolam's use.

"Ohio has the capability to perform constitutional executions now. It should be permitted to do so," Thomas Madden, an assistant attorney general, said in Ohio's appeal. The 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati has scheduled arguments for Feb. 21.

The prisons system changed its execution process because it can't find pentobarbital, said Gary Mohr, the agency's director, who said the agency is "comfortable" with its position before the appeals court.

"This is a serious responsibility, and we work hard to carry out executions in a humane manner, with the utmost respect for the law, for victims, and for justice," Mohr said in a statement provided to The Associated Press. "That commitment is unwavering."

The state also said in its filing:

■ Ohio can't import pentobarbital or its active ingredient from a foreign manufacturer because the state's application to add pentobarbital to its current federal importer registration hasn't been acted on in four months.

Ex-Guardsman gets 11 years for Islamic State group support

Associated Press

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — A former National Guard soldier who admitted traveling to Africa and boarding a truck to join the Islamic State group before ultimately bailing out was sentenced Friday to 11 years in prison.

Mohamed Jalloh, 27, of Sterling, Virginia, pleaded guilty in October to attempting to provide material support to a terrorist group. Prosecutors had sought a 20-year sentence. The defense had asked for a term of less than seven years, saying the man has renounced the Islamic State.

"I'm sorry to the court, to the people and to the U.S. military," Jalloh said Friday, WRC-TV reported.

Jalloh is one of more than 100 people in the U.S. to be charged with terror offenses connected to the Islamic State since 2014, according to George Washington University's Extremism Tracker, and one of seven from the northern Virginia area alone to be charged in the past two years. In Jalloh's case, the charges originated from an FBI sting operation. After his arrest, though, Jalloh admitted that he had made his own contact with the group before he had ever been introduced to the FBI informant — contact the government had been unaware of at the time.

Jalloh, a naturalized U.S. citizen from Sierra Leone, had traveled back to Africa with his father in 2015. While there, he met an Islamic State recruiter. In August 2015, Jalloh traveled from Sierra to Leone to stay with the group's facilitator. He intended to travel to Libya to join the Islamic State, but the plans fell through.

Later that year, Jalloh traveled to Niger, again with the intent of joining the group. This time, he went so far as to get on a truck with other recruits to trek across the Sahara to Libya. But, in court papers, Jalloh described how he got cold feet and sneaked off the truck after 18 hours.

"Guys in the truck would whip people with a hose to pack you in," Jalloh said, describing his experience as a recruit. "This was the worst, most scary situation that I had ever been in as an adult."

Before returning to the U.S., Jalloh made contact online with an IS operative named Abu Saad Sudani, who put Jalloh in contact with a person he hoped would help Jalloh carry out an attack in the U.S. But that person turned out to be a government informant.

In conversations with the informant, Jalloh discussed carrying out a Fort Hood-style attack. He also sent hundreds of dollars to an undercover FBI employee he believed was an IS member.

Jalloh's lawyers describe his interest in the Islamic State group as a "flirtation" that stemmed from a difficult childhood in war-torn Sierra Leone that left him with little parental guidance. They say that when Jalloh met with the informant, his goal was to be set up with a Muslim woman he could marry, but the informant continually steered the conversation to violence.

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Things to do

■ The Great Tomato Roundup is a workshop on growing tomatoes in West Texas, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Midland County Extension Office, 2445 E. Highway 80. Brown bag lunch is encouraged. Drinks provided. Hosted by extension office and the Permian Basin Master Gardeners. $25. eventbrite.com.

■ Nature Club: Gem and Mineral Collections, 10 a.m., Sibley Nature Center, 1307 E. Wadley Ave. It is part two of the Natural Hobbies series. The program is geared for kindergarteners through fourth-graders, and registration is required. $5 members, $8 nonmembers. sibleynaturecenter.org.

■ Bridge lessons, 10 a.m., Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. $3. permianbridgeclub.com.

■ Tracing Your African-American Roots, hosted by the Midland County Public Library genealogy department. 11 a.m., Centennial branch, 2503 W Loop 250 N.

■ Heart and Sole 5/10K, 11 a.m. Saturday at Midland YMCA, 800 N. Big Spring St. Kicks off American Heart Month with proceeds benefiting the YMCA's annual campaign. webscorer.com.

■ Sweetheart Family Pancake Breakfast benefiting the Midland Children's Rehabilitation Center, 8 a.m.-10 a.m., On the Border Mexican Grill and Cantina, 4306 W. Loop 250 N. $8 for ages 11 to adult, $4 for ages 3-10.

■ Valentine's Dinner, 6 and 8 p.m., Ranchland Hills Golf Club, 1600 E. Wadley Ave. Will feature four courses and two seating options. Reservations can be made by calling 432-682-3729. ranchlandhills.com.

■ Date and Paint: "Sweet Valentine," 6:30 p.m., Carino's Italian, 4711 W. Loop 250 N. $60 per couple. kiddsandcanvasparties.com.

■ Country Music Night with Justin Dominguez and Mary Martin, 7 p.m., Lincoln Tower, 311 W. Fourth St., Odessa. Westtexastalent.com.

■ Battle Roast Night of Champions, 7:30 p.m., Kamiposi, 510 S. Big Spring St. The night of comedy will pit previous Battle Roast champions against each other. $10.

■ Styx, 8 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $45-$246. Wagnernoel.com.

■ Eric Johnson, 8 p.m., Rea-Greathouse Recital Hall, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $49.50. Wagnernoel.com.

■ Weng Dang Doodle with Victor Wainwright and the Wild Roots, 8:30 p.m., DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, 117 W. Wall St. $10-$25. ticketfly.com.

■ DJ Wildman, 9 p.m., The Lift on 7th, 1401 E. Seventh St. Odessa.

■ "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" at Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. mctmidland.org.

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742-7400, 688-4320

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Large 30-cubic yard open top containers:

Midland Citizens Collection Station

■ 4100 Smith Road, 685-7278 -- has recycling containers for cardboard, aluminum, paper and No. 1 and No. 2 plastics.

Midland College (Chaparral Center)

■ 3200 N. Garfield Road -- Cardboard, paper, aluminum and No. 1 and 2 plastics.

The three new 8-cubic yard containers at most of the local elementary schools where you can recycle cardboard, paper and aluminum.

All recyclables can be taken to Butts Recycling Monday through Saturday. Butts Recycling is located at 26 West Industrial Loop.

For more information call Keep Midland Beautiful at 688-7745 or visit KMB's website at keepmidlandbeautiful.org.

USA Fit Midland training continues

Training for USA Fit Midland, a 14-week program for individuals of all fitness levels to run or walk their way to a healthier lifestyle, has started at Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane.

Participants train together to prepare for a 5K/10K race planned for May 6.

Registration is available online at www.usafitmidland.com or in person at the MLK Center. Online registration continues through Friday; in-person registration through Feb. 18.

For more information, email info@usafitmidland.com or call Andy Cedillo at 685-738

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Pick 3 evening: 7-0-2
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All or Nothing evening: 1-2-3-5-8-9-16-19-21-22-23-24
All or Nothing night: 1-2-5-6-7-8-10-11-16-19-22-24



Associated Press

Marlene Mosqueda, left, who's father was deported early on Friday, talks at a news conference with her Attorney Karla Navarrette at The Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles (CHIRLA). Navarrete, said she sought to stop Mosqueda from being placed on a bus to Mexico and was told by ICE that things had changed. She said another lawyer filed federal court papers to halt his removal.

AP fact check: Are immigration raids result of Trump policy?

By Amy Taxin and Alicia A. Caldwell
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Advocacy groups say that Immigration and Customs Enforcement officers are rounding up people in large numbers around the country as part of stepped-up enforcement under President Donald Trump.

They say a roundup in Southern California was especially heavy-handed and cite arrests in places such as Atlanta, Chicago, New York, Texas and North Carolina that have rattled immigrants.

The government says it's simply enforcing the laws and conducting routine enforcement targeting immigrants in the country illegally with criminal records. Authorities say it's no different than what happened during the Obama years on a regular basis.

The truth lies somewhere in between. Here are some of the facts surrounding what's happening with immigration enforcement:

Trump vs. Obama

As a candidate, Donald Trump vowed to take a hard line on immigration. Five days after taking office, he signed a sweeping executive order that made clear that just about any immigrant living in the country illegally could be a priority for deportation, particularly those with outstanding deportation orders. The president's order also said enforcement priorities would include convicted criminals, immigrants who had been arrested for any criminal offense, those who committed fraud, and anyone who may have committed a crime.

Under President Barack Obama, the government focused on immigrants in the country illegally who posed a threat to national security or public safety and recent border crossers. But despite the narrower focus, more than 2 million people were deported during Obama's time in office, including a record of more than 409,000 people in 2012. At one point, he was dubbed the "Deporter in Chief" by his critics.

The record was reached with the help of the Secure Communities program that helped the government identify immigrants in the country illegally who had been arrested. In the latter half of Obama's tenure, deportations plummeted to lows matching those of former President George W. Bush's term.

Are the latest raids a direct result of Trump's order?

Immigration officials say they aren't.

David Marin, Immigration and Customs Enforcement's field office director for enforcement and removal operations in greater Los Angeles, said the agency carries out these operations two or three times a year in his region. He says the California operation was in the planning stages "before the administration came out with their current executive orders."

But immigrant rights groups say the actions are harsher than in the past.

Advocates began fielding calls Thursday from immigrants and their lawyers reporting raids at homes and businesses in the greater Los Angeles area. In one instance, agents showed up at the home of a 50-year-old house painter named Manuel Mosqueda in the Los Angeles suburbs, looking to arrest an immigrant who wasn't there. In the process, they spoke with Mosqueda, arrested him and put him on a bus to Mexico — though lawyers were able to halt his deportation and bring him back.

In all, Immigration and Customs Enforcement arrested about 160 people during a five-day sweep in Southern California aimed at immigrants with criminal histories and deportation orders, including a Salvadoran gang member wanted in his country and a Brazilian drug trafficker. Marin acknowledged that five of those arrested would not have met the Obama administration's enforcement priorities.

The agency called it an "enforcement surge" that was no different than enforcement actions carried out in the past and said a "rash of recent reports about purported ICE checkpoints and random sweeps are false, dangerous, and irresponsible." In a statement, the agency said "officers frequently encounter additional suspects who may be in the United States in violation of the federal immigration laws. Those persons will be evaluated on a case by case basis and, when appropriate, arrested by ICE."

The new normal?

Despite the claims that this is business as usual, an indication of the changed tactics came earlier in the week when Homeland Security Secretary John Kelly testified before Congress. He told lawmakers immigration agents expressed frustration about that they were not fully allowed to enforce immigration laws under the Obama administration. He predicted Trump's directives would end that frustration.

"I think their morale has suffered because of the job they were hired to do, and then in their sense, they're ... kind of hobbled or, you know, hands tied behind their back, that kind of thing," Kelly told the House Homeland Security Committee. "And now, they feel more positive about things. I bet if you watch the morale issue, you'll ... be surprised going forward."

Acting ICE Director Thomas Homan, who was previously in charge of the agency's enforcement and removal operations, earlier this month made a point of noting that his agents would enforce the law.

In at least one case, it seems clear that Trump's order changed someone's fate. Guadalupe Garcia de Rayos, a mother of two in Phoenix, was arrested nearly a decade ago for using a false ID to get a job as a janitor at an amusement park. She pleaded guilty to a felony charge, but the government during the Obama years declined to deport her despite her being in the country illegally. On Wednesday, she showed up at the ICE building in Phoenix for a scheduled check-in with immigration officers and was swiftly deported to Mexico.

Chicago officer won't be charged in double-fatal shooting

Associated Press

CHICAGO — A Chicago police officer who fatally shot a college student and his neighbor while responding to a domestic disturbance in 2015 won't be charged, prosecutors announced Friday.

The Cook County State's Attorney's Office said in a statement there is "insufficient evidence" to prove Officer Robert Rialmo didn't act in self-defense when he shot 19-year-old Quintonio LeGrier, who Rialmo said charged at him with a baseball bat, and 55-year-old Bettie Jones, whose shooting the department has called an accident.

Latisha Jones, one of Bettie Jones' children, said the family was disappointed by the prosecutors' decision.

"We will not stop fighting for justice," said Jones, whose family has a pending lawsuit against the city and Rialmo.

LeGrier's family also expressed dismay over the lack of charges against Rialmo.

"As far as what happened today, I just don't understand. Quintonio did the right thing. He called for help," said Janet Cooksey, LeGrier's mother.

In a statement, Rialmo said he was relieved he was cleared by the state's attorney's office, adding he has always known he didn't do anything wrong.

"I can't ever do anything to bring Ms. Jones or Quintonio LeGrier back, but it was not my fault," he said, adding he was pushed into firing his weapon by LeGrier. "Being right does not make it any less of a tragedy that two people are dead and I was the cause of their death."

The December 2015 shooting of LeGrier and Jones, who were both black, was investigated by the city agency that oversees police misconduct, the FBI and the Illinois State Police. They were killed at a two-story home on Chicago's West Side about a month after a video was released showing white police officer Jason Van Dyke shooting black 17-year-old Laquan McDonald 16 times in 2014. Van Dyke has pleaded not guilty to a murder charge in McDonald's death.

Sacrificing California spillway may avoid emergency releases

By Don Thompson
Associated Press

OROVILLE, Calif. — California may avoid emergency releases from a rain-choked reservoir by further sacrificing a rapidly deteriorating concrete spillway while still protecting Oroville Dam, state officials said Friday.

The California Department of Water Resources significantly increased releases from Lake Oroville even though unexpected erosion chewed through the spillway earlier this week, sending chunks of concrete flying and creating a 200-foot-long, 30-foot-deep hole that continues growing.

State engineers expect that water flowing out of the dam will catch up with the torrent flowing in from recent storms by sometime Saturday if they can continue the higher flows.

"Basically, it's going to be a triage situation. We know we're going to have erosion going on but it's in the best interest of the lake right now to be able to keep using the spillway to evacuate water," said department spokesman Eric See.

That could save them from having to use an emergency spillway for the first time in the reservoir's 48-year history.

They were still preparing for the possibility by clearing trees and brush from the emergency spillway down a steep ravine to minimize the debris that would flow into the Feather River.

They were reinforcing part of the overflow area with rocks stabilized with concrete and using helicopters to relocate power lines out of harm's way.

Rescue efforts also continued for millions of hatchery-raised fish imperiled by muddy water flowing downstream alongside the damaged spillway after sections of its concrete walls collapsed earlier this week.

The cost could approach $100 million, though department spokesman Doug Carlson said the estimate by a department engineer is an early, ballpark figure. It is too soon to know with any certainty what it will cost, Carlson said.

Officials cheered improving weather that made it less likely they would have to use the emergency spillway.

"Glad to look out the window and see some sunshine," See said at an afternoon briefing.

Torrential rainwater flowed into the lake overnight Thursday nearly three times as quickly as it could be released, bringing the lake to within six feet of overflowing into the emergency spillway.

Water was still entering the lake twice as fast as it could be released Friday afternoon. But the deluge was expected to continue easing into Saturday, low enough that officials can begin reducing the lake level to prepare for future winter storms.

Even if the lake overflows into the emergency spillway, officials do not expect the discharge to exceed the capacity of any channel downstream as the water flows through the Feather River, into the Sacramento River and to San Francisco Bay.

They said Oroville Dam itself is sound and there is no imminent threat to the public. The spillway was last repaired in 2013 and officials said they do not know why it eroded this week.

Located about 150 miles northeast of San Francisco, Oroville Lake is one of the largest man-made lakes in California and the 770-foot-tall Oroville Dam is the nation's tallest.

The lake is a central piece of California's government-run water delivery network, supplying water for agriculture in the Central Valley and residents and businesses in Southern California.

After years of drought, Northern California has endured several months of exceptionally wet weather that has forced Oroville and other lakes to release water to make room for more runoff.

At the state's Feather River hatchery downstream from the crumbling spillway, workers on Friday were frantically scooping millions of tiny young native Chinook salmon out by hand for evacuation to a holding area away from the Oroville dam.

Dirt and debris washing downstream from the spillway have turned the hatchery's water into mud, making it impossible for fish there to survive for any period of time, said Andrew Hughan, spokesman for the California Department of Fish and Wildlife.

On Thursday, a fish-rescue effort involving about 40 people and tanker trucks took 4 million chinook salmon to safety.

On Friday, the rescuers were working by hand to catch and scoop up one by one the smallest four million salmon still remaining at the hatchery, along with 1 million steelhead trout eggs, Hughan said.

Suspects in videotaped beating plead not guilty in Chicago

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Four black people charged with a hate crime in an attack on a white mentally disabled man that was shown live on Facebook have pleaded not guilty.

The Chicago Sun-Times reports that assistant public defenders for each of the four entered the pleas on Friday. They have been in custody since early January. At their first hearing, a judge called them a danger to society and refused to allow them to post bail.

The case gained international attention because the attack was captured by a cellphone camera and shown on Facebook Live. On the video, the suspects are seen beating the schizophrenic victim and can be heard taunting him and shouting profanities against white people and then-President-elect Donald Trump.

The four also face aggravated kidnapping and other charges.

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Spokespeople for the Dallas Cowboys and the Houston Texans did not immediately return emails seeking comment.

The NCAA has declined comment so far since the Texas bill was filed last month. Since 2004, Texas has hosted more combined Super Bowls, NBA All-Star Games (three) and NCAA men's Final Fours (five) than any other state. San Antonio is scheduled to host another Final Four in 2018, and Dallas is hosting the women's NCAA Final Four in April.

Unlike the North Carolina law, the Texas proposal stops short of some provisions the NCAA singled out when defending its decision to relocate events last fall. That includes language that invalidatses local equal-rights ordinances, although there is separate legislation in Texas that could have similar effects.

The NFL has issued similar warnings before about state legislation that critics say invites discrimination. In 2015, Georgia Republican Gov. Nathan Deal vetoed a "religious liberty" bill that the NFL suggested could result in Atlanta being passed over for Super Bowls.

Iranians trample on US flag, mark 1979 Islamic Revolution

By Amir Vahdat
Associated Press

TEHRAN, Iran — Iranians on Friday marked the anniversary of the country's 1979 Islamic Revolution with nationwide celebrations and mass rallies that saw people step on large U.S. flags laid out on the streets while President Hassan Rouhani called the new American administration "a problem."

This year, the anniversary came against the backdrop of remarks by President Donald Trump, who has already engaged in a war of words with Iran's leadership and put Tehran "on notice" over its recent ballistic missile test.

At the Tehran rallies Friday, demonstrators chanted traditional slogans against the United States and Israel, and later, hundreds of thousands marched toward the city's central Azadi Square, where Rouhani addressed the crowds, telling them that Iran will strongly answer any threat from its enemies.

"All of them should know that they must talk to the Iranian nation with respect and dignity," Rouhani declared. "Our nation will strongly answer to any threat. (Iranians) will resist before enemies until the end."

Rouhani called Iran the home of "lions" but said the country does not seek hostility. "We are not after tensions in the region and the world. We are united in the face of bullying and any threat."

Many of the marchers carried the Iranian flag, others had banners and posters with revolutionary slogans. Printed U.S. flags and pictures of current and former U.S. presidents lay scattered on the streets — so they could be trampled by the marchers.

Iran and the U.S. have not had diplomatic relations since 1979, when Iranian students stormed the American Embassy and took 52 Americans hostage for 444 days.

Friday's rallies commemorated Feb. 11 of that year, when followers of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini ousted the U.S.-backed Shah Reza Pahlavi. The United States helped orchestrate the 1953 coup that overthrew Iran's popular prime minister, Mohammad Mossadegh, which brought Pahlavi to power and set the stage for decades of mistrust between the countries.

Some of the posters distributed in English on Friday read: "Thanks to American people for supporting Muslims."

Another one with a picture of Trump said: "Thanks Mr. Trump ... for revealing the face of the U.S." — a reference to remarks by Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, Iran's supreme leader, earlier this week.

Khamenei said Tuesday that the "newcomer" Trump has shown the "real face" of the United States. He spoke after Trump tweeted — following a ballistic missile test by Iran — that Iranians were "playing with fire," saying they "don't appreciate how 'kind' President (Barack) Obama was to them. Not me!"

Trump has repeatedly criticized the 2015 nuclear agreement between Iran, the U.S. and five other world powers, in which Tehran agreed to curb its uranium enrichment in exchange for the lifting of international sanctions, but he has not said what he plans to do about it.

His administration said Iran was "on notice" over the missile test, and imposed new sanctions on more than two dozen Iranian companies and individuals.

In Tehran, some of the demonstrators threw balls and darts targeting pictures of Trump and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. Others burned an American flag. The semi-official ILNA news agency reported that an Israeli flag was also burned.

Many ranking officials attended the ceremony in Tehran, including Gen. Qassem Soleimani who heads the Iranian Revolutionary Guard's Quds Force, which focuses on foreign operations such as the war in Syria and Iraq's fight against the Islamic State group where the Shiite power Iran supports Iraq's government.

Rouhani told reporters prior to addressing the crowds that Iranians will make the U.S. regret using threatening language, according to the semi-official ISNA news agency.

"Anyone who speaks the language of threat to this nation, the Iranian nation will make him regret" it, he said, without elaborating.

"This presence (of demonstrators) is a response to wrong comments by new leaders in the White House, and they announce with their presence to the world that they (U.S. leaders) should talk with respect and not use threatening language to the Iranian nation," Rouhani added.

Iranian state television aired footage of commemorations in Tehran and other cities and towns across the country, many of them held in sub-zero temperatures.

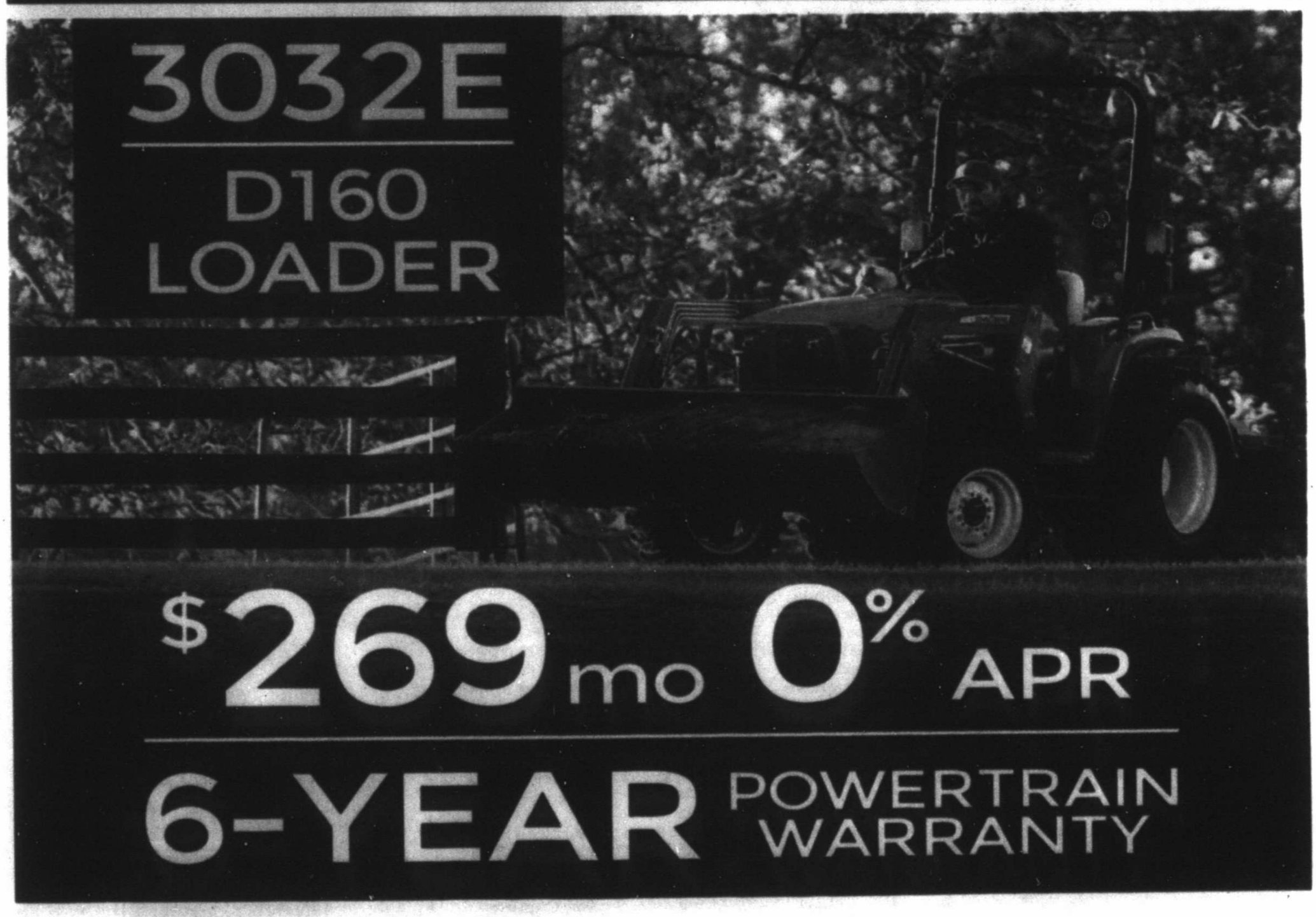
In the central city of Kashan, the official IRNA news agency said the country's prosecutor general, Mohammad Jafar Montazeri, told reporters that members of the Islamic State group have been arrested near Tehran. "They planned to sabotage" the anniversary rallies, he said.

And Khamenei's senior adviser, Gen. Rahim Safavi, said during a similar rally in the southern city of Ahvaz that the "evil triangle" or America, Britain and Israel "cannot create a serious military threat against Iran."

Tehran resident Mohammad Soufi, 33, a medical lab technician, said Trump's recent stance encouraged him and his wife to participate in the rally this year.

"We did not participate in the rally for more than 10 years," he said. "This year, my wife told me: 'Let's go out to show to the world, particularly Trump, that we love our county despite differences'".





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Schlumberger has donated software valued at $44 million to the University of Texas of the Permian Basin geology program.

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"At UTPB, our aim is train students with modern geoscience tools on workstations, which will make them ready to join leading oil companies," Verma said.

This donation comes as UTPB is working to expand faculty and active research programs to serve the growing number of students interested in the geology, petroleum and mechanical engineering programs.

For more information, contact Verma at verma_s@utpb.edu.

US sees no adverse impact from Clipper pipeline

By James MacPherson
Associated Press

BISMARCK, N.D. — After a four-year review, the U.S. State Department on Friday said it does not believe there would be significant negative environmental impact from a Canadian company's plan to boost the capacity of an oil pipeline that crosses the U.S. border in northeastern North Dakota.

Calgary, Alberta-based Enbridge Energy Partners asked the State Department in 2012 for a presidential permit to transport 800,000 barrels daily on an existing 3-mile section of pipeline on the company's Alberta Clipper pipeline that carries tar sand oil from Canada across northeastern North Dakota and northern Minnesota to Superior, Wisconsin. The State Department's supplemental environmental impact statement announced Friday was "coincidental" to President Donald Trump's action to advance the Keystone XL and Dakota Access oil pipelines, Enbridge spokeswoman Lorraine Little said.

"It's been long process to get to this point," Little said. "It is what it is."

Todd Leake, a Sierra Club spokesman in North Dakota, said he believes Trump's fingerprints are all over the State Department conclusion.

"All pipelines are politics and money," said Leake, who farms about 80 miles from where the pipeline crosses into the U.S. near Neche, North Dakota. "All recent approvals of these pipelines go right back to the Trump administration."

The State Department is taking public comment on its draft environmental impact statement for 45 days, until March 27. The State Department issues presidential permits for projects that cross the U.S.-Canadian border.

The Alberta Clipper pipeline, which also is known as "Line 67" was completed in 2009 at a cost of about $1 billion. The company wants permission to expand its current capacity on the line where it crosses the international border from about 450,000 barrels daily to 800,000 barrels a day.



AP file photo

In this Nov. 7 file photo, a television reporter takes video as she walks past an earthquake-damaged building in Cushing, Okla. Hundreds of the nation's top meteorologists and disaster recovery experts will converge on Oklahoma City beginning Feb. 13, for the sixth-annual tornado summit, even though much of the discussion is likely to have more to do with temblors, not twisters.

At national tornado summit, talk turns to earthquakes

By Justin Juozapavicius
Associated Press

TULSA, Okla. — Hundreds of top meteorologists and disaster recovery experts will converge on Oklahoma City next week for a national tornado summit, though much of the discussion is expected to focus on temblors, not twisters.

The annual three-day conference in the middle of Tornado Alley allows weather experts and emergency responders to coordinate relief efforts. They also see the latest building materials designed to weather tornadoes.

But below ground, thousands of earthquakes have been rattling the state in recent years — enough to surpass quake-prone California. A string of temblors last year — including an Oklahoma record 5.8 magnitude quake in September near Pawnee — convinced organizers to devote a chunk of the event to studying earthquakes.

Roughly 700 experts are expected at the event, which begins Monday.

"When you take the last five years, six years, you never would've thought about the earthquakes in Oklahoma," Oklahoma Insurance Commissioner John D. Doak said. "You would never think you'd be watching your state on 60 Minutes."

The number of earthquakes with a magnitude 3.0 or greater has skyrocketed in Oklahoma, from a few dozen in 2012 to more than 900 in 2015. Scientists have linked the quakes to the underground disposal of wastewater from oil-and-gas production.

Summit chairwoman Kim Decker, who recalls growing up in Oklahoma when earthquakes were virtually unheard of, said the spate of temblors in the past five years "boggles the mind."

"The reason we decided to do this is the frequency of the earthquakes in different parts of the state," Decker said Friday. "We have a new reality, and we just need to learn how to live with that new reality."

Nearly all of the earthquakes here can be traced to underground wastewater disposal. A 2015 study by the U.S. Geological Survey suggested that Oklahoma's industrial activities, such as natural gas and oil production, have caused the sharp rise in earthquakes in the past 100 years.

Some scientists say that the high-pressure injection of massive amounts of chemical-laced wastewater deep in the earth induces the quakes. Oklahoma Corporation Commission regulators have asked oil and gas producers to either close injection wells or reduce the volume of fluids they inject.

State regulators more aggressively ordered that wastewater wells be shut down last year, when the number of earthquakes dipped to 623.

But some residents fed up over waiting for regulators to order well shutdowns near where they live have taken matters into their own hands and sued some of the energy companies. A lawsuit filed by Pawnee residents alleges companies are showing "reckless disregard for public or private safety" by continuing to operate injection wells in the area.

Glenn Pomeroy, CEO of the California Earthquake Authority, which provides residential earthquake insurance, will speak at the conference about insurance issues related to man-made earthquakes. Pomeroy said the series of earthquakes in Oklahoma has led to "an increase in uncertainty" among energy companies, state regulators and property owners.

"I think the state is beginning to grapple with this new risk that wasn't quite there (years ago)," he said Friday. "Earthquakes strike without warning. It's just so important that we not have our heads in the sand."

Boulder County keeps drilling moratorium despite warning

By Dan Elliott
Associated Press

DENVER — Boulder County did not drop its moratorium on oil and gas drilling Friday as Attorney General Cynthia Coffman demanded, a county official said, potentially setting up a court battle.

Coffman, a Republican, told the heavily Democratic county last month the moratorium contradicts a Colorado Supreme Court ruling that only the state can regulate the industry. She warned she would file a lawsuit if county officials didn't rescind it by Friday.

County officials say the moratorium is legal and is scheduled to stay in place until at least May 1 while they update their land-use regulations for oil and gas.

County Attorney Ben Pearlman said the county is prepared to defend the moratorium in court. He said he believes the measure is legal because its purpose is to give the county time to revise its outdated regulations. "We've been working diligently on that," he said.

Coffman said the county is wrong.

"Plain and simple, Boulder County is violating state law and has left my office with no option other than to enforce the law," she said in a written statement. "It would be patently unfair for some local governments to be forced to comply with state law while allowing Boulder to continue with its illegal moratorium."

Boulder has had a moratorium in place since 2012, extending it several times.

Democratic state Sen. Matt Jones, who represents part of Boulder County, accused Coffman of acting "at the behest of oil and gas companies." He made the statement during a debate on the Senate floor.

"Oil and gas companies have a lot of resources to sue. They have chosen not to," Jones said in an interview after the debate. "She chose to sue so they could drill in Boulder County. So she has done it at their behalf."

Coffman declined to respond to Jones' allegation. Her spokeswoman, Annie Skinner, declined to say whether Coffman had spoken with any energy industry representatives before deciding to challenge the moratorium.

Regulating the energy industry is a contentious issue in Colorado, where rich oil and gas fields sometimes overlap with growing communities.

In May, the state Supreme Court overturned restrictions imposed by Longmont and Fort Collins, saying local governments have no authority to regulate the industry. That was the ruling Coffman cited when she warned Boulder.

Pearlman said the ruling left room for a moratorium like Boulder's, intended to give officials time to revises their rules.

Sam Mamet, executive director of the Colorado Municipal League, said a moratorium is "a commonly used practice."

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Oil price up this week, but barely

By Trevor Hawes
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The price of oil finished nearly flat this week, up by a mere 0.06 percent.

West Texas Intermediate contracts for March delivery settled Friday at $53.86 a barrel, up 86 cents (1.62 percent) on the day and three cents for the week. WTI fell to a week low of $52.17 on Tuesday before recovering $1.69 in the days following. Friday's close marked the week high.

After 28 trading days this year, WTI is up $1.53 (2.92 percent). The price hasn't dipped below $50.82 or risen above $53.99.

Plains Marketing posted prices were unchanged for the week. WTI posted fetched $50.25 a barrel on Friday, up 75 cents (1.52 percent) over Thursday's price. West Texas sour also rose 75 cents (1.67 percent) Friday after being marked at $45.60.

The spread between WTI posted and sour is $4.65, which has held for eight days.

Sour has yet to crack into the $50s. Its highest price this year is $46.05, and its lowest is $42.80. WTI posted has been in the $50s seven times, with a high of $50.50. Its low is $47.25.

WTI posted is up $1.50 (3.08 percent) this year; sour has risen $2.40 (3.56 percent).

In other futures trading, April contracts were up 87 cents on Friday to $54.33, May jumped 90 cents to $54.78 and June rose 93 cents to $55.18. There aren't any contracts in the $60s.

Rig count

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there was one rig listed as miscellaneous.

In total, the U.S. had 741 rigs, up 12. Twenty of the nation's 21 offshore rigs were in the Gulf of Mexico, down one. Rigs in inland waters rose one to three. Rigs on land rose 12 to 717.

By drilling trajectory, there were 607 horizontal rigs, up 11; 68 vertical rigs, up one; and 66 directional rigs, unchanged.

The U.S. had 541 rigs a year ago.

Most active

Basins with the highest rig counts this week were the Permian, the Eagle Ford, the Cana Woodford (51), the Marcellus (42) and the Williston (37).

States with the most activity were Texas, Oklahoma (102), Louisiana (54), New Mexico and North Dakota (36).

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Canada's rig count grew by nine to 352. The number of rigs searching for oil jumped 10 to 202. Natural gas rigs fell one to 145. Canada had 222 rigs a year ago.

The total number of rigs in the North America region rose 21 to 1,093. At this time last year, there were 763 rigs in North America.

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Rig counts; county by county

The following are county-by-county Permian Basin rig counts for the week ending Feb. 10, with changes in parentheses.

DISTRICT 7B
Fisher....1
Nolan....2
Stonewall....1 (+1)
Total....4 (+1)

DISTRICT 7C
Crockett....1 (+1)
Irion....3
Reagan....9
Upton....15 (-1)
Total....28

DISTRICT 8
Andrews....8
Culberson....11
Ector....3 (-3)
Glasscock....12 (-2)
Howard....16 (+2)
Loving....29 (+1)
Martin....20
Midland....40 (+4)
Mitchell....1 (+1)
Pecos....8
Reeves....45 (-1)
Ward....4
Winkler....5
Total....202 (+2)

DISTRICT 8A
Borden....2 (+1)
Cochran....2
Dawson....1 (-1)
Gaines....2
Hockley....0 (-1)
King....0 (-1)
Scurry....4
Yoakum....7 (-1)
Total....18 (-1)

NEW MEXICO
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Lea....31 (+2)
Total....49 (+4)

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Wealth obtained by fraud dwindles, But the one who gathers by labor increases it. Hope deferred makes the heart sick, But desire fulfilled is a tree of life. The one who despises the word will be in debt to it, But the one who fears the commandment will be rewarded.

Fight on travel ban on hold; appeals court sides with states

By Sudhin Thanawala
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — The legal fight over President Donald Trump's ban on travelers from seven predominantly Muslim nations is on hold after the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals refused to reinstate the order, unanimously rejecting the administration's claim of presidential authority, questioning its motives and concluding that the order was unlikely to survive legal challenges.

In a rebuke to the Trump administration Thursday, the three federal appellate judges sided with the states of Washington and Minnesota on nearly every matter, opening the possibility that the case could shift to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Trump has been pointing to a federal law that details when immigration restrictions by the president is permissible.

In a tweet Friday, Trump quotes an article by Benjamin Wittes, editor-in-chief of the Lawfare blog.

It reads, "Remarkably, in the entire opinion, the panel did not bother even to cite this (the) statute."

Trump tweeted, "A disgraceful decision!"

Wittes later said Trump had taken his statement out of context.

Moments after the ruling Thursday, Trump tweeted, "SEE YOU IN COURT," adding that "THE SECURITY OF OUR NATION IS AT STAKE!"

But it is unclear what Trump's next move will be. The Justice Department said it is reviewing the decision and considering its options. It was the first day on the job for new Attorney General Jeff Sessions.

The lower court action so far is temporary and hasn't resolved broader questions about the legality of Trump's order. Although the ban is on hold, refugees and people from seven majority-Muslim nations identified in the president's Jan. 27 executive order can continue traveling to the U.S. The appellate judges noted compelling public interests on both sides.

"It's not enough for the president to simply proclaim that the executive order is necessary to protect national security, he needs to give us at least some basis for agreeing with him."

Stephen Vladeck, Professor at the University of Texas School of Law

"On the one hand, the public has a powerful interest in national security and in the ability of an elected president to enact policies. And on the other, the public also has an interest in free flow of travel, in avoiding separation of families, and in freedom from discrimination." The administration could appeal the ruling to a larger 9th Circuit panel or bypass that step and go straight to the U.S. Supreme Court. That could put the decision over whether to keep the temporary restraining order suspending the ban in the hands of a divided court that has a vacancy. Trump's nominee, Neil Gorsuch, cannot be confirmed in time to take part in any consideration of the ban, which would expire in 90 days unless it is changed.

The ban also faces dozens of other lawsuits, some filed by would-be refugees directly affected by it.

Stephen Vladeck, a professor at the University of Texas School of Law, said two footnotes near the end of the opinion struck him as most significant because they challenged the government's assertion that national security was at stake. Without evidence of the threat migrants would pose to security, the court couldn't balance that assertion against harm they would suffer if not allowed to enter the country.

"It's not enough for the president to simply proclaim that the executive order is necessary to protect national security," Vladeck said, paraphrasing the ruling. "He needs to give us at least some basis for agreeing with him." The 9th Circuit judges rejected the administration's argument that courts did not have the authority to review the president's immigration and national security decisions. They said the administration failed to show that the order met constitutional requirements to provide notice or a hearing before restricting travel. And they said the administration presented no evidence that any foreigner from the seven countries was responsible for a terrorist attack in the U.S.

"Despite the district court's and our own repeated invitations to explain the urgent need for the Executive Order to be placed immediately into effect, the Government submitted no evidence to rebut the States' argument that the district court's order merely returned the nation temporarily to the position it has occupied for many previous years," the panel wrote.

Last week, U.S. District Judge James Robart in Seattle issued a temporary restraining order halting the ban after Washington state and Minnesota sued. The ban temporarily suspended the nation's refugee program and immigration from countries that have raised terrorism concerns.

Asked to respond to Trump's tweet, Washington Attorney General Bob Ferguson said, "We have seen him in court twice and we're two for two, that's number one. And in my view, the future of the constitution is at stake."

Justice Department lawyers appealed to the 9th Circuit after Robart's ruling, arguing that the president has the constitutional power to restrict entry to the United States and that the courts cannot second-guess his determination that such a step was needed to prevent terrorism.

The states said Trump's travel ban harmed individuals, businesses and universities. Citing Trump's campaign promise to stop Muslims from entering the U.S., they said the ban unconstitutionally blocked entry to people based on religion.

The appeals court sided with the administration on just one issue. The states had argued that 9th Circuit precedent prohibits review of temporary restraining orders. The panel said that the intense public interest and uncertainty over how long the court case might take made it appropriate for the court to consider the federal government's appeal.

Jessica Levinson, a professor at Loyola Law School, said the ruling was thoughtful and supported by a great deal of legal precedent. More important, though, it was unanimous even though the panel included judges appointed by Democratic and Republican presidents.

"It's a very important message that judges are not just politicians in robes and not just political hacks," Levinson said.

After the ban was put on hold, the State Department quickly said people from the seven countries — Iran, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria and Yemen — with valid visas could travel to the U.S.

Angry voters flood town halls of GOP lawmakers

By Erica Werner and Mike Householder
Associated Press

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. — The voter identified himself as a cancer survivor, and he had something to say to Republican Rep. Justin Amash: "I am scared to death that I will not have health insurance in the future."

The comment earned 61-year-old retiree Paul Bonis a standing ovation from the crowd packed into a school auditorium in Amash's Michigan district Thursday night. And the congressman was booed for his response: That the Affordable Care Act has "hurt a lot of people," and he supports his party's plans to repeal and replace it, even though the GOP still hasn't united around an alternative.

It's a scene that's played out around the country over the past several weeks as Republicans and President Donald Trump have assumed control of Washington and begun moving forward on their long-held promise to undo former President Barack Obama's health care law. In an echo of the raucous complaints that confronted Democrats back in 2009 as they worked to pass "Obamacare" in the first place, Republicans who want to repeal it now are facing angry pushback of their own at constituent gatherings from Utah to Michigan to Tennessee and elsewhere, even in solidly Republican districts.

And just as the protests in 2009 focused on health care but reflected broader concerns over an increasingly divisive new president and Democrats' monopoly control over Washington, now, too, constituent complaints at town hall meetings appear to reflect more general fears about the Trump administration and the implications of one-party GOP rule of the nation's capital.

In a Salt Lake City suburb on Thursday night, GOP Rep. Jason Chaffetz faced irate constituents chanting "Do your job!" as they pressed the House Oversight Committee chairman to investigate Trump. Chaffetz struggled to be heard as he faced a litany of sharp questions and screams from a crowd of people who grilled him on everything from Obamacare to Chaffetz's desire to overturn a new national monument in southern Utah.

"Come on, we're better than this," Chaffetz protested over the hubbub at one point, practically pleading with the deafening crowd to let him speak.

In Tennessee, GOP Rep. Diane Black faced questions from impassioned and well-informed constituents defending the Affordable Care Act, including one man who told her that he and others with health conditions might die without insurance. "And you want to take away this coverage, and have nothing to replace it with," the man said. Black argued that the Affordable Care Act has been ineffective because although 20 million people gave gained coverage under the law, millions more have chosen to pay a fine and remain uninsured.

And in southern Wisconsin, GOP Rep. James Sensenbrenner faced a voter who asked him: "Who's going to be the check and balance on Donald Trump?" Like others interviewed at town halls around the country, the woman asking the question, Barbara Kresse, said she has not been politically active, another similarity to 2009 when the advent of the Obama administration seemed to cause enough anxiety to awaken groups of

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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to Conduct Public Scoping Meeting for Waste Control Specialists' Proposed Consolidated Interim Storage Facility Environmental Impact Statement

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) will conduct two public scoping meetings for an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Waste Control Specialists LLC's (WCS') proposed Consolidated Interim Storage Facility (CISF) for spent nuclear fuel in Andrews County, Texas. The EIS will evaluate potential environmental impacts of the WCS' requested action and alternatives to that action.

The scoping meetings will be held on February 13, 2017, at the Lea County Event Center, 5101 N. Lovington Highway, Hobbs, New Mexico 88240 (Tel: 575-391-2900), and on February 15, 2017, at the Andrews James Roberts Center, 855 East Broadway, Andrews, Texas 79714 (Tel: 432-524-1401). For both meetings, the NRC staff will be available for informal discussions from 6:00 to 7:00 PM, prior to the formal meeting starting at 7:00 PM. The NRC invites members of the public to attend the scoping meetings and to present oral or written comments on the appropriate scope of issues to be considered in the EIS. Those wishing to present oral comments are asked to pre-register by February 6, 2017, by contacting Mrs. Antoinette Walker-Smith at 301-415-6957, or by e-mail to Antoinette.Walker-Smith@nrc.gov. The public may also submit written comments prior to or after the meeting. A notice published in the Federal Register (FR) on November 14, 2016 (81 FR 79531; https://www.federalregister.gov/), announced NRC's intent to prepare an EIS and provided instructions for submitting written comments.

The NRC public webpage for the WCS CISF license application can be found at http://www.nrc.gov/waste/spent-fuel-storage/cis/waste-control-specialist.html. If you do not have internet access, contact the NRC Public Document Room at 800-397-4209 for assistance.

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voters who had never previously gotten involved.

Indeed the recent protests are being amplified by liberal activists modeling their opposition to Trump on the tea party groups that sprang up to oppose Obama and the Democrats. Calling itself "Indivisible," a nonprofit group that grew out of a how-to guide written by former Democratic congressional staffers has advertised town hall gatherings nationally, suggesting at least some level of coordination, which was the case with the anti-Obamacare protests as well. Some Republicans, including White House press secretary Sean Spicer, have dismissed the protesters as orchestrated and even paid, though there's been no evidence of that.

House GOP leaders have taken note of the protests, and took time during a regular meeting of their conference this past week to give lawmakers "best practices" advice for dealing with them, including to treat protesters with courtesy and respect, consider hiring security or a moderator for town hall gatherings, or even "kill them with kindness" by offering cookies or coffee.

Lawmakers insisted that they are not changing their public schedules out of concern over being met by protesters, but town hall meetings have grown rarer in recent years anyway, with some lawmakers citing the shooting of Democratic Rep. Gabby Giffords at a constituent gathering in Tucson, Arizona in 2011 as one reason. In some districts and states, constituents have been trying to shame lawmakers into holding town halls to discuss Obamacare or other issues, showing up at district offices with signs demanding a meeting.

In a letter to fellow House Republicans on Thursday, Rep. Doug Collins of Georgia, vice chairman of the GOP conference, downplayed the opposition and sought to encourage lawmakers to stay committed to their agenda.

Protest marks public school visit by new education secretary

By Maria Danilova
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Betsy DeVos was met with shouts of "stand up, fight back" from angry protesters as she made her first visit to a public school Friday as education secretary.

Several dozen protesters, some with small children, gathered at Jefferson Middle School, a predominantly African-American school in the nation's capital. At one point, when DeVos tried to enter the school door, two protesters blocked her path, forcing her to return to her car.

DeVos eventually made it inside the school, in a visit that was designed to help her mend fences with teachers and parents across the country.

The visit itself was closed to the news media, and the Education Department had no immediate comment about the protest.

DeVos, 59, is a billionaire Republican donor who spent more than two decades promoting charter schools and school voucher programs in her home state of Michigan and other states. She faced fierce opposition during the confirmation process from teachers unions who fear that she intends to defund traditional public schools. Two Republican senators from rural states that rely heavily on public schools opposed the nomination and Vice President Mike Pence had to cast a tie-breaking vote on Tuesday.

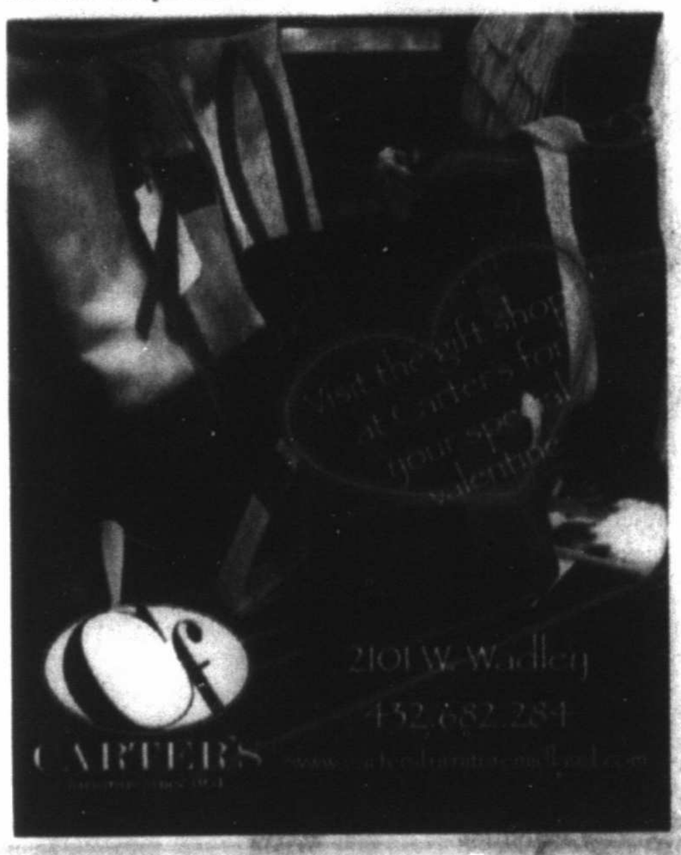
Randi Weingarten, president of the American Federation of Teachers, one of the groups that vigorously opposed DeVos' nomination, condemned the incident.

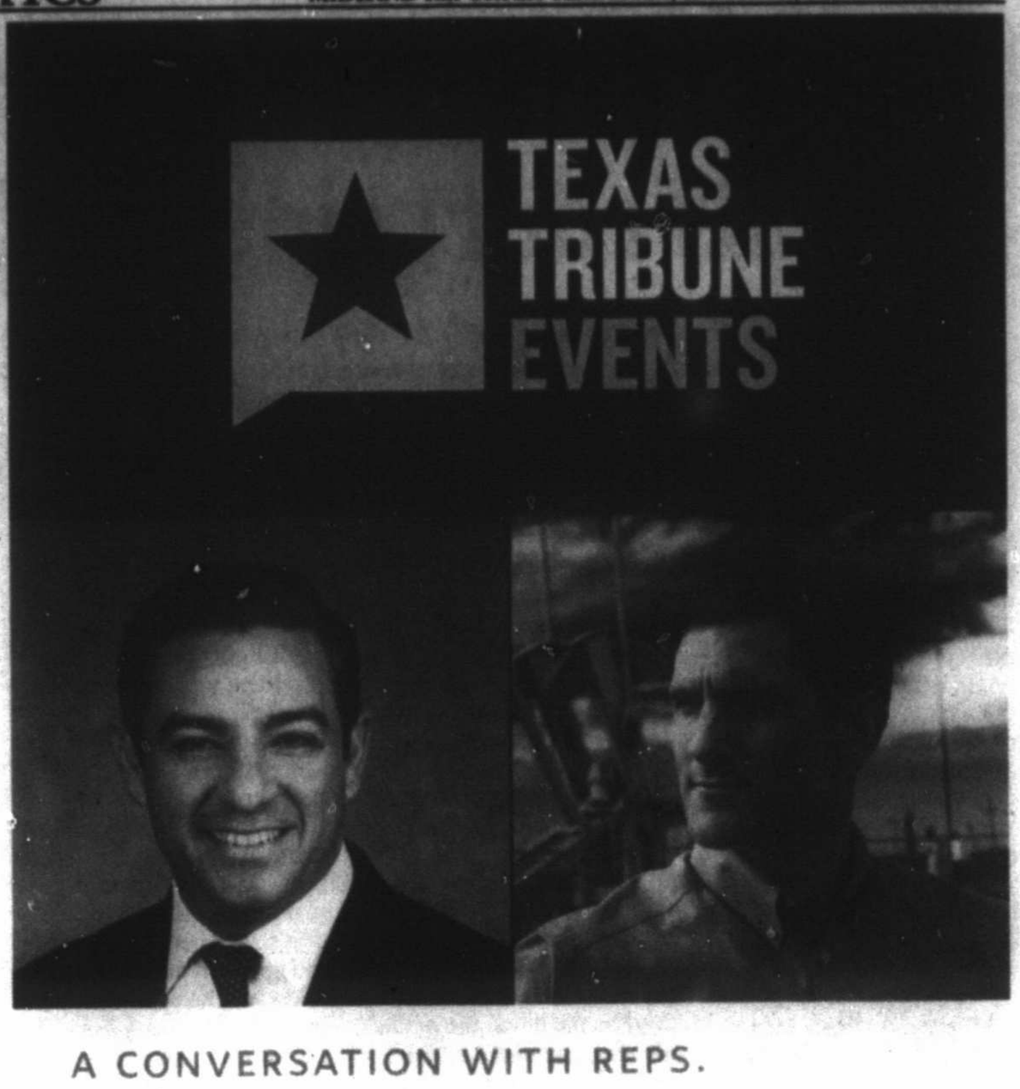
"Just heard a protester blocked & almost knocked Secy @BetsyDeVos down at Jefferson," she wrote on Twitter. "We don't condone such acts."

D.C. Mayor Muriel Bowser also stressed on Twitter that protests should be peaceful. "We welcome Betsy DeVos & anyone who wants to learn more about our schools," she wrote.

DeVos' visit to the school was not announced by the Education Department.

Ari Schwartz, 26, a nonprofit worker, held a poster in which a picture of a teddy bear was juxtaposed with a photo of Devos. "This is a bear. This is a threat to students," the caption read.





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TCU pegged as college baseball's team to beat

By Eric Olson
Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — TCU has made it to the College World Series three straight years, and the Horned Frogs have brought back eight everyday players, their top two starting pitchers and the closer.

No surprise, they'll open the season No. 1 in every major national poll.

"When you return the majority of a team out of a club that finished in the final four of the country, you're probably going to end up ranked highly," coach Jim Schlossnagle said. "You can not talk about it and run away from it. Or, as the Cubs did this past year, you can kind of embrace it."

The Horned Frogs have done everything but reach the CWS finals since making their first appearance in Omaha in 2010. Last year, they beat Texas Tech and Coastal Carolina in the CWS and needed one more win to go the best-of-three championship round. They then lost two straight to Coastal Carolina , which went on to win the national title.

TCU, 49-18 overall and third in the Big 12 last season, opens at home with a three-game series against Penn State and will play 21 of its first 25 games in Texas.

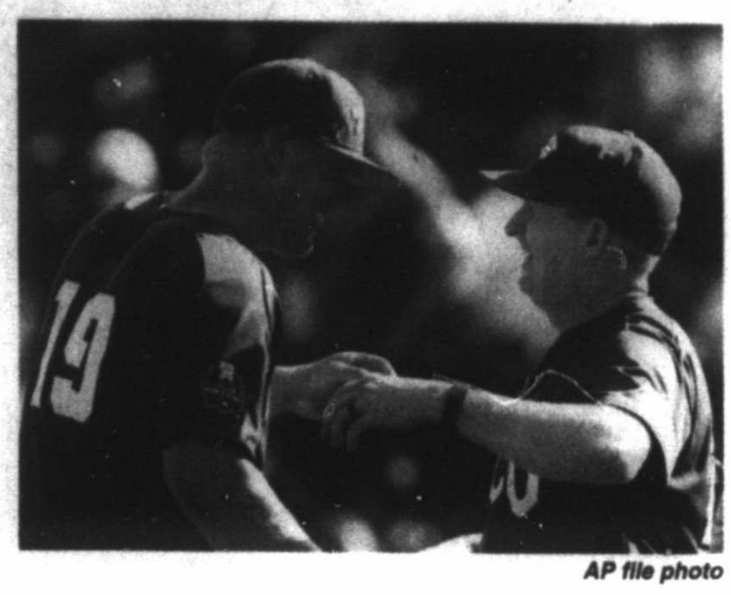
Luken Baker is back after leading an offense that batted .302 and averaged seven runs a game. Like Schlossnagle, Baker shrugs at the Frogs' No. 1 ranking.

"It doesn't really mean anything," he said. "It's just a bigger target that we have to embrace and take on. We're excited to come out and get after it. As long as we stick to the process and stick to the plan, we can have an even better season than we did last year."

As a freshman, the 6-foot-4, 265-pound Baker hit .379, drove in 62 runs and slugged 11 homers to share the team lead with Josh Watson. Baker pitched until he injured his arm in April, and he doesn't plan to be on the mound at all this season. He'll play first base or be the designated hitter.

The Frogs' only loss from the everyday lineup was outfielder Dane Steinhagen, but they get back Nolan Brown, a .302 hitter in 2015 who took a medical redshirt because of a hand injury. Brown will play center field, and Austen Wade will move to right.

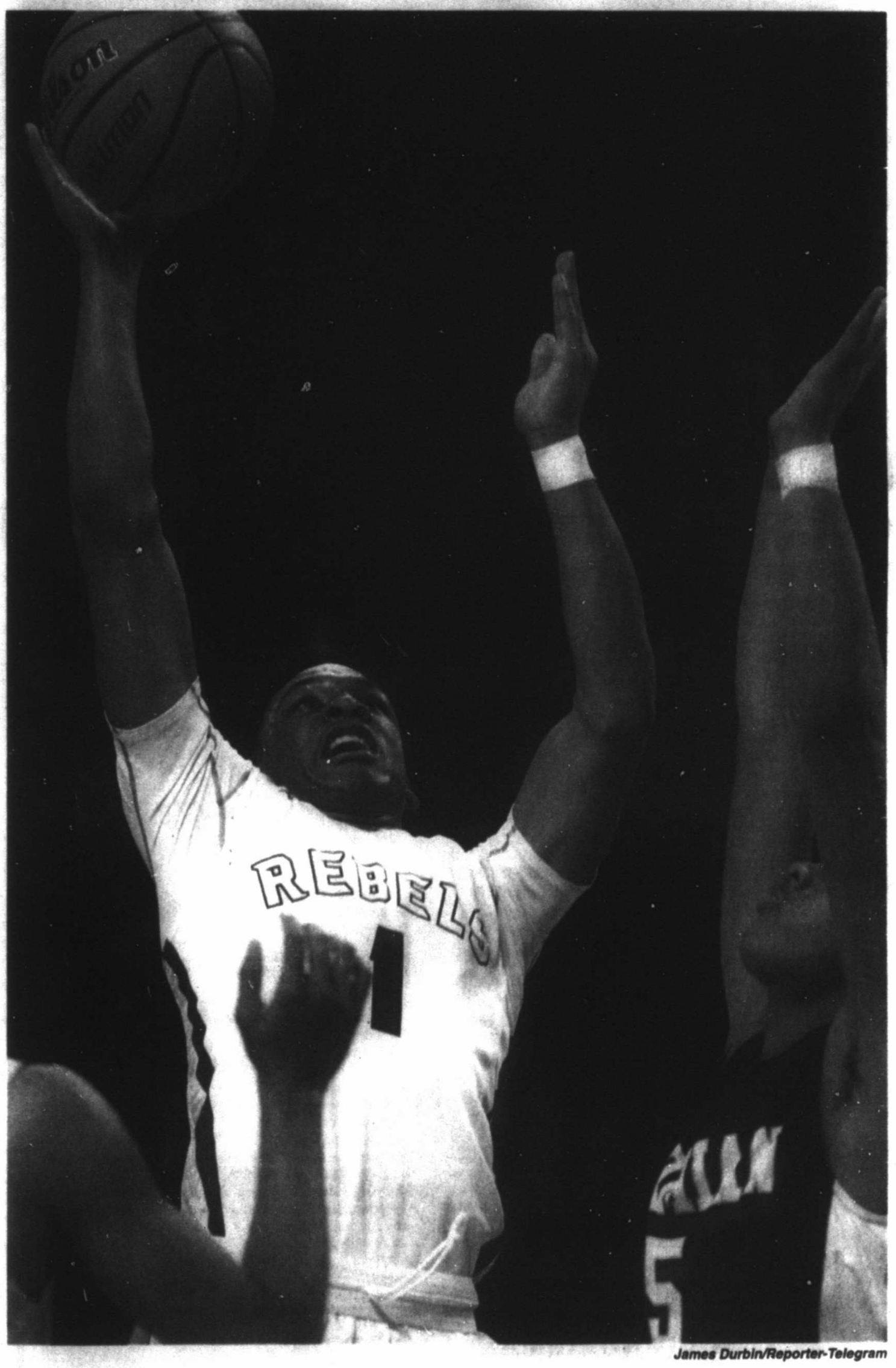
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AP file photo

TCU's Luken Baker (19), celebrates with coach Jim Schlossnagle following a College World Series game against Texas Tech in Omaha, Neb., on June 19, 2016.

REBELS FALL SHORT



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Sema'J Davis (1) shoots against Permian's Nakavion White (5) on Friday at Chaparral Center.

Lee's effort not enough in loss to Permian

By Will Korn
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The Lee boys basketball team did many things well Friday night against the No. 2 team in District 2-6A.

The Rebels played with admirable effort, shot the ball well and even staged a late, inspired rally after trailing by as many as 21 points in the third quarter. But in the end, visiting Odessa Permian was able to weather the storm and hang on for a 69-57 victory at Chaparral Center.

Anthony Thomas scored a game-high 21 points for the Panthers (20-11, 7-2 in District 2-6A), who have clinched the district's No. 2 playoff seed. On senior night, senior guard Sema'J Davis led the upset-minded Rebels with 13 points, while fellow senior Juwon Packer pitched in 10.

Combined with Midland High's 65-54 loss at Wolfforth Frenship Friday, Lee (9-21, 2-7) is still alive for the fourth playoff seed. The Rebels must now win at district-leading Amarillo Tascosa on Tuesday and needs help from the Panthers against MHS.

Lee head coach Justin Boswell couldn't fault the effort of his players in the loss.

"Permian is a really good team," Boswell said. "They're bigger and more athletic than we are, period. They are. But we didn't back down from them. Tonight our guys played with a lot of purpose and they fought hard for each other. The only negative out of it is that we just didn't have enough points to get the win. But the boys played so well, they played really, really well."

The Panthers used a quick and balanced offense to open the game on a 12-3 run. The Rebels responded and clawed their way back into the game behind a free-throw barrage by Davis, as well as the outside shooting of Cevonte Eaden and Taye Britt.

Britt swished a momentous 35-foot trey from the wing right before the halftime buzzer and the Rebels entered the

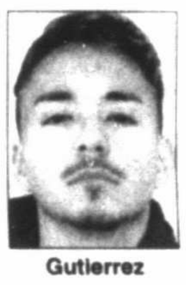
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Lee stays in 1st behind Gutierrez's timely goal

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If the Lee boys soccer team can continue to find ways to capitalize on its opportunities, it might find itself back in the playoffs at the end of the season.

The Rebels missed out on a few of those opportunities in the first half against Wolfforth Frenship on Friday, but got a key second half goal from Jose Gutierrez to hold off the Tigers, 2-1, in a District 2-6A match at Grande Communications Stadium.



Gutierrez

The win kept the Rebels (5-6-1 overall) in first place in the district standings at 2-0-1-0, 7 points and are now three points up on Midland High, which travels to play Amarillo Tascosa today.

This was a good bounce-back win for the Rebels, who battled MHS on Tuesday to a scoreless regulation before falling to penalty kicks against their rivals.

After Frenship (7-4-3, 0-0-2-1, 2 points) tied it at 1 on a goal from Caleb Rogers less than two minutes into the second half, Gutierrez punched in the

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Frenship stays hot, leading to rout of Lee

By Oscar LeRoy
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Three matches into the District 2-6A season, the Wolfforth Frenship girls soccer team is making a very strong case as the team to beat this season.

The Lady Tigers struck early and continued their attack throughout the contest in an 9-0 victory over Lee on Friday night at Grande Communications Stadium.



Hinshaw

Chloe Woodard and Allison Scott each had three goals for Frenship (11-3 overall), which stayed unbeaten in 2-6A play at 3-0-0-0, 9 points, and has yet to allow a goal in district competition. Frenship has also now outscored its opponents 72-4 this season.

"They are certainly a quality team, but tonight it was a matter of we made them look good," said Lee coach Mark Hinshaw of Frenship. "You've got to give them credit for being a sound side."

Frenship coach Gery Joy agreed that his team could have played better.

"We got goals in, we just played a little slower to start the game," Joy said. "I wasn't particularly pleased with what we did but we got the results.

"(The Lady Rebels) are a growing program and they're doing a good job."

Lee (3-5-3), which dropped to its second straight, fell to 0-1-0-2, 2 points in district.

It only took 1 minute, 16 seconds for Frenship to take control of this match as

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DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

ON TV

COLLEGE SOFTBALL

Minnesota at Texas, 4 p.m., LHN

Maryland at Texas, 6:30 p.m., LHN

Minnesota vs. Colorado State, 8:30 p.m., LHN

GOLF

PGA: AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, 3rd Round, Noon, GOLF

PGA: AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, 3rd Round, 2 p.m., CBS

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Marquette at Georgetown, 11 a.m., FOX

Kansas State at West Virginia, 11 a.m., ESPN

Texas A&M at Florida, 11 a.m., ESPN2

Minnesota at Rutgers, 11 a.m., ESPNU

Seton Hall at St. John's, 11 a.m., CBSSN

NC State at Wake Forest, 11 a.m., FSSW+

Kentucky at Alabama, Noon, CBS

Kansas at Texas Tech, 1 p.m., ESPN

Miami-FL at Louisville, 1 p.m., ESPN2

TCU at Baylor, 1 p.m., ESPNU

Penn State at Illinois, 1 p.m., BTN

Kent State at Toledo, 1 p.m., CBSSN

UT Martin at SIU Edwardsville, 1 p.m., FCSA

Villanova at Xavier, 1:30 p.m., FOX

UMass at St. Joseph's, 1:30 p.m., NBCSN

Vanderbilt at Missouri, 2:30 p.m., SEC

Ohio State at Maryland, 3 p.m., ESPN

Texas at Oklahoma State, 3 p.m., ESPN2

Georgia at Tennessee, 3 p.m., ESPNU

Butler at Providence, 3 p.m., CBSSN

St. Bonaventure at George Washington, 3:30 p.m., NBCSN

Boston College at Georgia Tech, 4:30 p.m., FSSW

Florida State at Notre Dame, 5 p.m., ESPN

Oklahoma at Iowa State, 5 p.m., ESPN2

Houston at Tulsa, 5 p.m., ESPNU

Auburn at Ole Miss, 5 p.m., SEC

Iowa at Michigan State, 5 p.m., BTN

South Carolina at Mississippi State, 7 p.m., ESPN2

East Carolina at USF, 7 p.m., ESPNU

Gonzaga at Saint Mary's, 7:15 p.m., ESPN

Arkansas at LSU, 7:30 p.m., SEC

Cal at Arizona, 9 p.m., ESPN2

Bradley at Illinois State, 9 p.m., ESPNU

NBA

Golden State at Oklahoma City, 7:30 p.m., ABC, ESPNDEP

Orlando at Dallas, 8 p.m., FSSW

NHL

San Jose at Philadelphia, Noon, NHL

Carolina at Dallas, 1 p.m., FSSW

St. Louis at Carolina, 6 p.m., NHL

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Northwestern at Purdue, 11 a.m., BTN

SMU at Connecticut, 1 p.m., SNY

Iowa State at Kansas, 1 p.m., FSN (FSSW+)

Kansas at Texas, 1:30 p.m., LHN

Oklahoma at Texas Tech, 6:30 p.m., FSSW+, FCSC

ON RADIO

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Kansas at Texas Tech, 1 p.m., KCRS 97.5 FM/550 AM, KPET 105.1 FM/690 AM (Lamesa)

NAHL HOCKEY

Odessa at Corpus Christi, 7 p.m., KFZX 102.1 FM

NBA

Orlando at Dallas, 8 p.m., KBST 1490 AM (Big Spring)

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Oklahoma at Texas Tech, 6:30 p.m., KPET 105.1 FM/690 AM (Lamesa)

WHAT'S ON DECK

High school

BOYS BASKETBALL

TAPPS 5A Bi-district, Austin St. Dominic Savio at Midland Christian, 7:30 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

TAPPS 5A Bi-district, Austin Hyde Park at Midland Christian, 6 p.m.

Class 1A practice game, Garden City vs. Huckabay, 2 p.m., Merkel

GIRLS SOCCER

MHS at Amarillo Tascosa, noon

BOYS SOCCER

MHS at Amarillo Tascosa, 2 p.m.

TENNIS

Lee, MHS at Lubbock Tournament

Midland Christian at Mason Tournament

Junior college

BASEBALL

Midland College vs. San Jacinto College, 12:30 p.m., Houston

SOFTBALL

Midland Classic, Freddie Ezell Softball Complex

CORRECTION

In Friday's edition, it was incorrectly reported that Rodney Sims, an applicant for the Midland High head football coach opening, served as the Bulldogs' offensive coordinator from 2015-16.

Sims was an offensive assistant during the 2015 season, and was promoted to offensive coordinator for the 2016 season.

The Reporter-Telegram regrets the error.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Designated C Francisco Pena for assignment.

CLEVELAND INDIANS — Traded RHP Austin Adams to the Los Angeles Angels for cash. Agreed to terms with LHP Luis Perez on a minor league contract.

LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Designated RHP Jesus Guerra for assignment.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Agreed to terms with RHP Joe Smith on a one-year contract and with OF Jake Elmore on a minor league contract. Designated C A.J. Jimenez and LHP Chad Girodday assignment.

National League

CHICAGO CUBS — Promoted Kyle Evans to director of pro scouting special assistant to the president and general manager; Alex Suarez to director of international pro scouting; assistant director of player development and international amateur scouting Jason Parks to special assistant to the president and general manager; Greg Dewis promoted to coordinator baseball operations; Albert Lyu to developer, research and development; Andrew Bassett to assistant director pro scouting; Min Sung to supervisor Pacific Rim scouting special assignment professional scout; John Baker to coordinator mental skills; Jason Cooper to special assignment scout; Jalen Clarke to MLB scout; Shane Farrell to Upper Midwest area scout; Ella Cahill to amateur scouting assistant; and Garrett Chiado to assistant, research and development. Named Joe Nelson MLB scout and Nic Jackson pro scout. Jacob Eisenberg assistant, research and development and John Peddrity trainee, baseball operations.

NEW YORK METS — Traded RHP Gabriel Ynoa to Baltimore for cash.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Acquired INF Phil Gosselin from Arizona for RHP Frank Duncan.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

NBA — Suspended Phoenix C Alex Len one game for leaving the bench area and entering the playing court during an altercation in the Feb. 8 game at Memphis. Fined Phoenix G Tyler Ulis and F Marquese Chriss and Memphis G Troy Daniels $15,000 each for their roles in the altercation.

PHILADELPHIA 76ERS — Assigned G Chasson Randle to Delaware (NBADL).

WASHINGTON WIZARDS — Assigned F Daniel House Jr. to Delaware (NBADL).

FOOTBALL

National Football League

ATLANTA FALCONS — Fired defensive coordinator Richard Smith and defensive line coach Bryan Cox. Named Bryant Young defensive line coach and Raheem Morris wide receivers/passing game coordinator and assistant head coach. Promoted Marquand Manuel to defensive coordinator and Doug Mallory to defensive backs coach.

CHICAGO BEARS — Signed TE Justin Perillo.

MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Released Gs Brandon Fusco and Mike Harris.

NEW YORK JETS — Voided the contract of QB Ryan Fitzpatrick.

OAKLAND RAIDERS — Announced they have given Jack Del Rio coach a new four-year contract.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS — Named Jon Embree assistant head coach/tight ends coach. Bobby Turner running backs coach. Rich Scangarello quarterbacks coach. Ray Wright strength and conditioning coach. T.C. McCartney offensive assistant coach and Nick Kay administrative assistant to the head coach.

WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Announced the retirement of OL Kory Lichtensteiger.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

COLORADO AVALANCHE — Reassigned D Eric Gelinas to San Antonio (AHL).

DALLAS STARS — Reassigned D Julius Honka to Texas (AHL).

DETROIT RED WINGS — Recalled G Jimmy Howard from Grand Rapids (AHL). Placed D Jonathan Ericsson on long-term injured reserve.

SOCCER

Major League Soccer

ATLANTA UNITED — Signed M Andrew Wheeler-Omuniu.

COLLEGE

INDIANA — Named Darren Hiller run game coordinator and offensive line coach and Nick Sheridan quarterbacks coach.

OKLAHOMA STATE — Named Josh Henson offensive line coach.

RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE — Named Harrison Barlow assistant baseball coach.

ST. LEO — Named Tony Paris men's soccer coach.

WASHINGTON — Suspended men's senior basketball F Malik Dime

NHL GLANCE

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Montreal	56	31	17	8	70	163	142
Ottawa	52	28	18	6	62	140	143
Toronto	53	25	17	11	61	164	158
Boston	56	27	23	6	60	149	152
Florida	53	23	20	10	56	127	149
Tampa Bay	55	24	24	7	55	150	159
Buffalo	54	22	22	10	54	133	154
Detroit	54	22	22	10	54	137	161

Metropolitan Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	55	38	11	6	82	186	117
Pittsburgh	53	34	13	6	74	190	151
Columbus	53	34	14	5	73	173	132
N.Y. Rangers	54	35	18	1	71	185	143
Philadelphia	55	26	22	7	59	145	167
N.Y. Islanders	52	24	18	10	58	156	154
New Jersey	54	23	21	10	56	127	153
Carolina	52	24	21	7	55	138	151

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Minnesota	54	36	12	6	78	161	126
Chicago	56	34	17	5	73	161	146
St. Louis	55	28	22	5	61	157	163
Nashville	54	26	20	8	60	149	141
Winnipeg	57	25	28	4	54	165	181
Dallas	55	21	24	10	52	150	175
Colorado	51	15	34	2	32	104	172

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	55	33	18	4	70	151	132
Anaheim	56	29	17	10	68	147	141
Edmonton	55	29	18	8	66	156	141
Los Angeles	55	28	23	4	60	138	136
Calgary	56	28	25	3	59	149	159
Vancouver	54	24	24	6	54	128	154
Arizona	52	17	28	7	41	120	166

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

Scores and schedule

Friday's Scores

Chicago 5, Winnipeg 2

Minnesota 2, Tampa Bay 1, SO

Today's Games

San Jose at Philadelphia, Noon

N.Y. Islanders at Ottawa, Noon

Vancouver at Boston, Noon

Florida at Nashville, 1 p.m.

Carolina at Dallas, 1 p.m.

Detroit at Columbus, 4 p.m.

Colorado at N.Y. Rangers, 6 p.m.

Buffalo at Toronto, 6 p.m.

Tampa Bay at Winnipeg, 6 p.m.

St. Louis at Montreal, 6 p.m.

Anaheim at Washington, 6:30 p.m.

Pittsburgh at Arizona, 7 p.m.

Chicago at Edmonton, 9 p.m.

Chaps win two games in Houston

From staff reports

HOUSTON — The No. 10-ranked Midland College baseball team stayed unbeaten with two non-conference wins on Friday.

The Chaparrals defeated Blinn College 14-6 in six innings and the got a 6-2 victory over McLennan Community College on Friday night.

The Chaps (3-0) scored four runs in both the fourth and fifth innings en route to the run rule over Blinn.

MC had 13 hits in the game, as Alex Salcido was 3-for-4 with a triple, home run, five RBI and two runs scored. Braden Hayward was 3-for-4 with a double, two RBI and two runs scored, Cameron Melcher was 3-for-4 with a double and a run scored, Chad Curtis was 2-for-4 with three RBI and two runs scored; and Nolan Rattai was 2-for-3 with three RBI and three runs scored for the Chaps.

Brock Barger got the win.

Salcido hit a grand slam in the third inning to spark MC's win over McLennan. Salcido went 2-for-4 win in the game, as did Eric Senior, who also had a home run and two RBI.

Callan Johnson got the win on the mound after allowing one run on three hits, with two walks and seven strikeouts over seven innings.

MC next plays No. 2-ranked San Jacinto College at 12:30 p.m. today.

NO. 10 MIDLAND COLLEGE 15, BLINN COLLEGE 3, 6 INNINGS

Blinn College	000	001	—3	8	4
Midland College	003	440	—13	13	0

Zach Smith, Andrew Morgan (4), Weston Brown (6) and Colton Parrish, Brock Barger, Brandon Hatley (6) and Cameron Melcher, W — Barger, L — Smith, 2B — MC: Chad Curtis, Braden Hayward, Cameron Melcher, 3B — MC: Alex Salcido. HR — BC: Marshall Skinner, Angel DeLaFuente; MC: Salcido, Nolan Rattai.

NO. 10 MIDLAND COLLEGE 6, MCLENNAN CC 2

Midland College	004	000	000	—6	8	2
McLennan CC	100	000	010	—2	5	3

Callan Johnson, Aaron Wasserman (8), Kyle Mitchell (9) and Alex Salcido, Jae Embry, Nathan Gonzales (4), Colton Bailey (8), Brady Childress (9) and Mic Motley. W — Johnson, L — Embry. 2B — MC: Curtis; HCC: Josh Brazus, Brendan Venter. 3B — MCC: Mic Motley. HR — MC: Eric Senior, Salcido.

Record: Midland College 3-0

Next: Midland College vs. San Jacinto College, 12:30 p.m. today

Lady Chaps go 3-0 on 1st day of Classic

From staff reports

The Midland College softball team went 3-0 during Friday's action of its 2017 Spring Classic at the Freddie Ezell Softball Complex.

The Lady Chaps (11-2) defeated Otero Junior College 9-2, rolled to a 12-1 victory over Barton Community College in five innings and run-ruled Northeastern Junior College 13-3 in a five-inning affair.

In the win over Otero, MC's Kayla Shaw went 4-for-4 with a double and two RBI, while teammate Shaycelynn Ho'ohuli was 3-for-4 with a double.

Anna Sherburne cracked a grand slam in the Lady Chaps' rout of Barton CC.

MC's Chystine Kistner hurled a gem as she held Barton to only one run, one hit and one walk, while striking out 10 batters.

Melina Martinez shined in the victory over Northwestern by going 3-for-4 with three RBI and two stolen bases. Greenwood grad Kassie Maddox was 2-for-3 with a double and two RBI in the rout of Northeastern.

Game 1

MIDLAND COLLEGE 9, OTERO JUNIOR COLLEGE 2

Otero	002	000	0	—2	5	1
Midland	204	020	x	—9	10	1

Shelby Copley, Demi Ownbey (3), Annie Davis (6) and Sarah Kay, Julia Clark, Sanaa Nalica (3) and Kayla Shaw. W — Nalica, L — Copley. 2B — MC: Shaw, Bianca Cerda, Shaycelynn Ho'ohuli, Hannah Howard.

Game 2

MIDLAND COLLEGE 12, BARTON CC 1, 5 INNINGS

Barton	000	10	—1	1	0
Midland	407	1x	—1214	0	

Payton Reynolds, Kat Frakes (1), Amanda Evans (3), Braylin Bretz (3) and Andreana Reynolds, Braxton Morby (4), Chystine Kistner and Anna Sherburne. W — Kistner. L — P. Reynolds. 2B — MC: Kayla Shaw. HR — MC: Sherburne.

Game 3

MIDLAND COLLEGE 13, NORTHEASTERN JC 3, 5 INNINGS

Northeastern	000	00	—3	2	2
Midland	760	0x	—1313	1	

Leah Osborn, Brooke King (3) and Tessa Wilson, Haleigh Leutsch-ard Kayla Shaw. W — Leutsch. L — Osborn. 2B — MC: Bianca Cerda 2, Kassie Maddox. 3B — MC: Kiana Broderson-Jones.

Record: Midland College 11-2

Next: MC vs. Lamar College, 2 p.m. today; MC vs. Vernon College, 4 p.m. today, both games on Field 7 of the Freddie Ezell Softball Complex

Midland College 2017 Spring Classic revised schedule at Freddie Ezell Softball Complex

Friday's games

9 a.m. — Seward County College 17, El Paso CC 6; Lamar College 5, Clarendon College 4; Luna CC 12, Northeastern College 6; Pratt CC 12, Coastal Bend 2; Midland College 9 Otero College 2

11:30 a.m. — Vernon College 8, Lamar College 5; Odessa College 11, Trinidad State 4; Clarendon College 12, Northeastern 6; Howard College 5, Barton Community College 2; Coastal Bend 7, Otero JC 3

2 p.m. — El Paso CC 11, Pratt CC 3; Navarro College 9, Odessa College 3; Luna CC 18, Trinidad State 11; Howard College 5, Seward County College 1; Midland College 12, Barton CC 1

4:30 p.m. — Trinidad State 14, El Paso CC 12; Clarendon College 8, Pratt CC 6; Seward County 7, Vernon College 0; Navarro College 9, Otero JC 0; Midland College 13, Northeastern 0

7 p.m. — Odessa College 12, Coastal Bend 3; Howard College 10, Vernon College 4; Navarro College 3, Lamar College 0; Barton CC 9, Luna CC 1

Saturday's Games

9 a.m. — Odessa College vs. Seward County, Field 3; El Paso CC vs Northeastern, Field 4, Luna CC vs. Pratt CC, Field 5; Clarendon College vs. Barton CC, Field 6, Coastal Bend vs. Trinidad State, Field 7

11:30 am. — El Paso CC vs. Otero JC, Field 3; Odessa College vs. Barton CC, Field 4; Coastal Bend vs. Northeastern, Field 5; Howard College vs. Lamar College, Field 6; Navarro College vs. Pratt CC, Field 7

2 p.m. — Luna CC vs. Seward County, Field 3; Vernon College vs. Trinidad, Field 4; Clarendon College vs. Otero College, Field 5; Howard College vs. Navarro College, Field 6; Midland College vs. Lamar College, Field 7

4 p.m. — Midland College vs. Vernon College, Field 7

4 Midland swimmers notch medals at state meet

From staff reports



Adams



Keck

SAN ANTONIO — Four Tall City swimmers took home medals during Friday's TAPPS State Swimming Championships at Josh Davis Natatorium.

Midland Christian sophomore Claire Keck garnered two medals by finishing second in the Division II girls 50-yard freestyle (25.06 seconds) and placing third in the 100 freestyle (55.58). Keck earned her first silver medal after taking bronze in both freestyle events at the 2016 state meet.

Joining Keck in the two-medal category was Trinity junior Eriq Adams, who placed second in the Division II 100 boys backstroke (59.26) and finished third in the 100 freestyle (52.41). It was the second straight year that Adams claimed two medals at state.

Midland Classical junior Dwight Hinton captured a silver medal with his second-place time of 1 minute, 49.97 seconds in the Division III boys 200 freestyle. It was the first state medal for Hinton, a two-time state meet qualifier who also finished seventh in the 100 breaststroke (1:07.34) Friday.

Making her state meet debut, Midland Classical freshman Chloe Parker placed third to earn bronze in the girls 100 butterfly (1:07.23), and she just missed a medal by finishing fourth in the 500 freestyle (5:45.49).

Midland Christian freshman Xen Gonzales finished fifth in the girls 100 backstroke (1:08.50) and finished seventh in the 200 individual medley (2:33.38).

GUTIERREZ

From 1B

game-winner a little less than six minutes later.

"It was coming straight to me, I saw an opportunity just how I saw it in practice and I finished on goal," said the junior forward.

Lee co-head coach Dusty Payne said that his team had been struggling to score goals, so that is something that his team has been working on in practice.

"We've been taking a lot of shots in practice and working on trying to finish better than we have been," Payne said. "I'm glad that work is finally paying off for us."

District 2-6A Boys soccer standings

Team	W	PW	L	PL	Pts
Lee (5-6-1)	2	0	1	0	7
Odessa High (5-5-3)	1	1	1	0	6
Midland High (4-4-1)	1	0	2	0	4
Odessa Permian(2-6-3)	0	1	1	1	3
Wolforth Frenship (7-4-3)	0	0	2	1	2
Amarillo Tascosa (6-1-2)	0	1	0	1	2

W -3 points; PW - 2 points; PL - 1 point

All matches begin at 7:30 p.m unless otherwise noted.

Friday's Scores

Lee 2, Wolforth Frenship 1; Odessa High 3, Odessa Permian 1

Today's Game

Midland High at Amarillo Tascosa, 2 p.m.

Gutierrez added: "We've been practicing a lot on that. We practice finishing every ball on one touch. That's why every first touch got us a goal."

Early on, however, Lee missed out on a few opportunities as the ball either hit the goal post or it was cleared just in time by the Tigers' defense.

The Rebels finally got a break they needed with less than two minutes left in the first half when Isael Ramirez scored on a free kick to give the Rebels a 1-0 lead going into the intermission.

After the Tigers punched in the equalizer early in the second half, the rest was left up to the Rebels' defense, which limited Frenship's opportunities and helped Lee to control possession.

Payne said this win and the team's position in the standings a third of the way through district play should help in the team's confidence going forward.

For a program that has struggled in recent years to get into the playoffs, the Rebels are certainly feeling good about where they're at.

"It's been a while, and now it's time to get back on top," Gutierrez said.

Lee hopes to continue the momentum on Tuesday when it hosts Odessa High — a 3-1 winner over Odessa Permian on Friday — at Grande Communications Stadium.

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LEE

From 1B

Woodard scored off a cross for a 1-0 lead.

Morgan Zapata and Natalie Jones added goals later in the half to help Frenship take a 3-0 at intermission.

"We've been struggling with illness and some injuries, and we came out fairly flat tonight," Hinshaw said. "We allowed the first goal at the minute and 16 mark and psychologically we just couldn't recover from that.

District 2-6A Girls soccer standings

Team	W	PW	L	PL	Pts
Wolforth Frenship (11-3)	3	0	0	0	9
Amarillo Tascosa (7-4-1)	1	0	1	0	4
Midland High (5-1)	1	0	0	1	3
Odessa High (10-3-2)	1	0	0	2	3
Odessa Permian (6-6)	1	0	0	2	3
Lee (3-5-3)	0	1	0	2	2

W -3 points; PW - 2 points; PL - 1 point

All matches begin at 5:30 p.m unless otherwise noted.

Friday's Scores

Wolforth Frenship 9, Lee 0; Odessa High 2, Odessa Permian 1

Today's Game

Midland High at Amarillo Tascosa, noon

"You encounter in sports some nights where absolutely nothing goes your way, and tonight was one of those nights."

The Frenship onslaught continued in the second half as Scott scored all of her goals in the second half — one of which was a shot from about 35 yards. Woodard added two goals and Megan Walser capped it off with a late goal.

"It's a good start for us," said Joy about district play. "Every night's different and different things can happen. The other night against Permian (a 1-0 win), they played really, hard against us. You just never know what you're going to get."

Lee looks to bounce back at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday when it hosts Odessa High at Grande Communications Stadium.

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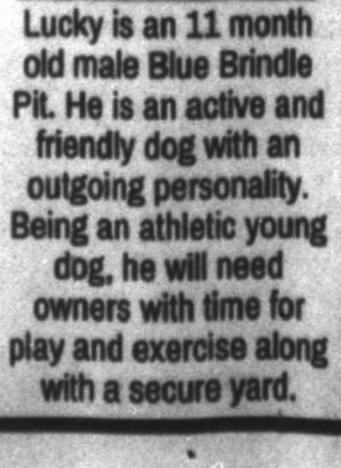
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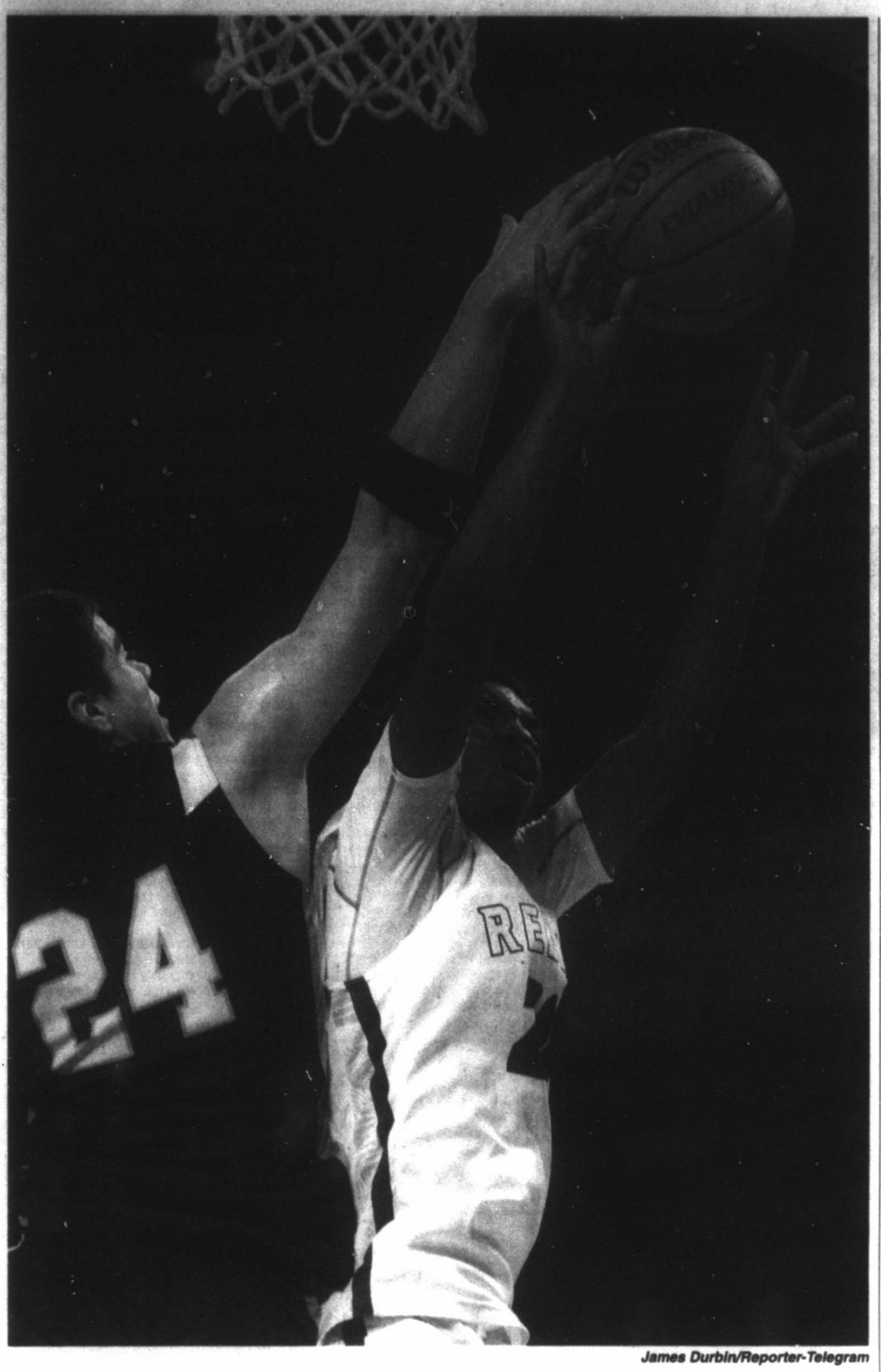
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Lee's James Lydia (20) has his shot blocked by Permian's Ozzy Terrazes (24) on Friday at Chaparral Center.

HIGHSCHOOLBASKETBALLROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Boys

GREENWOOD 55 PECOS 50

PECOS — Greenwood clinched a postseason berth by holding off Pecos in District 4-4A play.

Ryan Snodgrass and Blake Elliott both led the playoff-bound Rangers (11-17, 3-4) with 11 points.

The Rangers are locked into District 4-4A's fourth seed and finish their regular season with an 8 p.m. tip-off Tuesday against Monahans. GHS will face District 3-4A champion Clint in the bi-district round at a date, time and location to be determined.

GREENWOOD 55, PECOS 50

Greenwood (11-17, 3-4) — Ben Brockman 6 Colton Moore 7, Tyler Ellison 6, Ryan Snodgrass 11, Tyler James 3, Fabian Madrid 7, Logan Jarvis 4, Blake Elliott 11

Pecos (0-7 in District 4-4A) — Bubba Henson 9, Juan Jasso 11, Zachary Padilla 4, Julian Nichols 9, Nathan DeAnda 17

Greenwood	16	12	6	21	—55
Pecos	12	5	13	20	—50

Free throws — Greenwood 18-24, Pecos 17-23. 3-point goals — Greenwood 1 (Moore) Pecos 3 (Henson, Jasso, Nichols). Total fouls — Greenwood 25, Pecos 23. Fouled out — Madrid, Jasso.

Next: Monahans at Greenwood, 8 p.m. Tuesday

STANTON 48 COLORADO CITY 44

COLORADO CITY — Stanton used a 22-11 fourth quarter to edge rival Colorado City and clinch a playoff spot in District 5-3A.

Tristan Graves scored a game-high 18 points for the second-place Buffaloes (19-8, 6-3), who hold a head-to-head tiebreaker over the Wolves (17-10, 6-3).

Graves made two 3s and went 3 for 3 at the free-throw line during Stanton's fourth quarter rally.

In the final minute, the Buffaloes got two clutch free throws from Sebastian Escamilla and four free throws from Colby Gordon to seal the game.

STANTON 48, COLORADO CITY 44

Stanton (19-8, 6-3) — Tristan Graves 18, Reed Thomas 1, Austin Luna 2, Colby Gordon 8, Blake Snellgrove 9, Austin Fryar 4, Wes Ulmer 2, Sebastian Escamilla 4

Colorado City (17-10, 6-3) — Kwentin Malveaux 14, Markis Monroe 7, Tommy James 11, Bubba Williams 4, Omar Boone 5, Gabriel Salazar 1

Stanton	6	14	6	22	—48
Colorado	16	9	8	11	—44

Free throws — Stanton 15-17, Colorado City 7-17. 3-point goals — Stanton 5 (Graves 2, Snellgrove 3), Colorado City 7 (Malveaux 3, Monroe 2, Williams, Boone) Total fouls — Stanton 14, Colorado City 16. Fouled out — None

Next: Merkel at Stanton, 6 p.m. Tuesday

NO. 15 GARDEN CITY 63 WATER VALLEY 46

GARDEN CITY — Ethan Goodwin scored a game-high 28 points as No. 15 Garden City remained unbeaten in District 14-1A with a win over Water Valley.

Seth Miller added 12 points for the Bearkats (15-7, 11-0), while teammate Michael Wulff supplied 11.

GARDEN CITY 63, WATER VALLEY 46

Water Valley — Tyler Simmons 25, Manny Gamboa 7, Shiloh Hughes 4, Tyler Hoover 3, Dustin Simmons 3, Chris Jones 2

Garden City (15-7, 11-0) — Ethan Goodwin 28, Seth Miller 12, Michael Wulff 11, Riley Eggemeyer 5, Jose Gallegos 3, Hagan Haffmann 2, Cesar Chavez 2

Water Valley	7	10	7	22	—46
Garden City	10	19	14	20	—63

Free throws — Water Valley 15-26. Garden City 9-16. 3-point goals — Water Valley 1 (T. Simmons), Garden City 2 (Wulff, Gallegos). Total fouls — Water Valley 17, Garden City 19. Fouled out — None.

Next: Garden City at Veribest, 6:15 p.m. Tuesday

NO. 20 LAMESA 86 BROWNFIELD 84, OT

BROWNFIELD — Lamesa outlasted Brownfield in overtime to clinch a playoff spot in District 2-4A.

The Golden Tornadoes (24-6, 5-4) outscored the Cubs 23-6 in the fourth quarter to force overtime.

LAMESA 86, BROWNFIELD 84, OT

Lamesa (24-6, 5-4) — Dre Smiley 14, Buddy Williams 10, Jordan Derington 2, Jaleel Edwards 22, TyQuail Maxwell 20, KeShawn Hunter 9, Nathan Cunningham 9

Brownfield (2-7) — Hood 11, Ramirez 21, Reed 19, Griffin 11, Quintanilla 3, Sires 11, Kyle 4, Oliver 2

Lamesa	12	15	22	23	14	—86
Brownfield	15	29	22	6	12	—84

Free throws — Lamesa 20-31, Brownfield 10-19. 3-point goals — Lamesa 6 (Williams, Edwards 2, Hunter 2, Cunningham), Brownfield 10 (Hood, Ramirez 5, Reed 2, Sires 2) Total fouls — Lamesa 21, Brownfield 23.

Fouled out — Ryle, Williams, Edwards

Next: Denver City at Lamesa, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday

Midland (12-17, 3-6) — Courtney McMarylon 9, Ricky Hubert 8, Ty Kendrick 2, Camran Rock 8, Hayden LaForge 3, D'Andre Wilson 7, Rahkiem Petterson 11, Dillon Springer 1, Joseph Barron 5

Frenship (19-10, 6-3) — Isaac Todriguaz 13, David Rivenbank 2, Freddy Hall 10, Zackary Gallardo 8, Bradley Brooks 22, Skyler Newsome 4, Cooper Howell 5, Jack Kirkpatrick 3

Midland	12	14	5	23	—54
Frenship	16	12	19	25	—65

Free throws — MHS 9-14, Frenship 24-29. 3-point goals — MHS 5 (McMarylon, Rock 2, LaForge, Petterson), Frenship 3 (Brooks 2, Hall) Total fouls — MHS 23, Frenship 17. Fouled out — Kendrick, McMarylon, Paul

Next: Odessa Permian at MHS, 7:30 p.m. Friday

Third quarter run keys Frenship's win over MHS

From staff reports

WOLFFORTH — Midland High couldn't capitalize on an opportunity to clinch a playoff spot Friday night, falling to Wolfforth Frenship 65-54 in District 2-6A play.

On Tuesday, the fourth-place Bulldogs (12-17, 3-6) can clinch with a win at home against Odessa Permian or with a Lee (9-21, 2-7) loss at Amarillo Tascosa.

Rahkiem Petterson led MHS with 11 points, the only Bulldog in double figures.

The third-place Tigers (19-10, 6-3) were headed by a game-high 22 points from Bradley Brooks. Issac Rodriguez had 13 points and Freddy Hall chipped in with 10 for Frenship.

Leading 27-26 at halftime, the Tigers took control of the game by outscoring MHS, 13-5, in the third quarter.

FRENSHIP 65, MIDLAND HIGH 54

MCSCAPSULES

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Boys

TAPPS 5A BI-DISTRICT AUSTIN ST. DOMINIC SAVIO AT NO. 2 MIDLAND CHRISTIAN

When/where: 7:30 p.m. today, McGraw Event Center

Records/seeds: St. Dominic Savio 13-17, No. 4 seed out of TAPPS 2-5A; MCS 26-6, No. 1 seed out of TAPPS 1-5A

Last game: Austin Regents 71, St. Dominic Savio 44, Feb. 3; MCS 89, Grapevine Faith Christian 86, Feb. 3

Notes: The Mustangs enter this postseason as district champions for the first time since 2008. ... MCS head coach Chris Ryburn said the defensive focus for his team will be containing Savio's talented collection of guards. "They are very guard oriented," Ryburn said. "They have some really quick guards who shoot the ball well and that's always presented a challenge for us, when we've played small teams that play quick. At times we've struggled to keep people in front of us." ... Ryburn added that offensively, his team needs to establish its presence as early as possible in the game and not settle for jump shots in the opening minutes. "We need to do the things we do well and try to be us," Ryburn said. "We don't want to adjust too much to our opponent." ... The Mustangs are on a 12-game winning streak dating back to Dec. 28. ... MCS defeated St. Dominic Savio, 63-51 in overtime on Nov. 19 in the Brentwood Christian Tournament.

Next: Winner plays winner of Frisco Legacy Christian-Tyler T.K. Gorman, TBA, Tuesday

Girls

TAPPS 5A BI-DISTRICT AUSTIN HYDE PARK AT NO. 4 MIDLAND CHRISTIAN

When/where: 6 p.m. today, McGraw Event Center

Records/seeds: Hyde Park 15-10, No. 3 seed out of TAPPS 4-5A; MCS 27-4, No. 1 seed out of TAPPS 1-5A

Last game: Hyde Park 31, Austin St. Dominic Savio 28, Tuesday; MCS 42, Grapevine Faith Christian 19, Feb. 3

Notes: The Lady Mustangs are coming off their first district title since the 1991-92 season. That 1991-92 district championship team also won the state championship. ... Junior post Blaire Neatherlin had a double-double with 18 points and 10 rebounds in Midland Christian's district-clinching win over Grapevine Faith on Feb. 3. MCS head coach Amy Daniels says Neatherlin gets rebounds by pure heart. "She is a workhorse," Daniels said. "We pull her inside, we take her outside. (She gets rebounds) by sheer determination and being fundamental. She outworks people, which is good for us." ... Daniels is hoping starting point guard Megan Ashton will get more playing time today after being limited against Grapevine Faith on Feb. 3. Ashton returned to action against Faith after missing nearly three weeks with a fractured left wrist. ... Hyde Park beat Austin Dominic Savio, 31-28, in a play-in game to earn the No. 3 playoff seed out of TAPPS 4-5A on Tuesday.

Next: Winner plays winner of Frisco Legacy Christian-Tyler All Saints Episcopal, TBA, Tuesday

REBELS

From 1B

break trailing only 37-30.

Packer said he and his teammates were fired up and ready to continue the rally in the third.

"We were in the locker room saying 'We have to give it all we've got,'" Packer said. "It's senior night, we have a crowd and we just had to put it all out there. I think the results show that we gave it the best we could."

But Permian had other ideas and instead took control of the frame quickly with a 6-0 spurt. Within four minutes, the Panthers had blown the game open with a flurry of easy baskets.

"Man we made some great plays and we would miss a layup, foul (Permian) on the other end, or they'd get an and-one on the other end," Boswell said. "We were spurting at the (free throw) line too. We'd shoot for a good percentage, then we'd go cold for a little bit."

In his final high school game against the Panthers, Davis began to lead the charge back with a key sequence late in the third. He stole a pass, finished a layup, stole an inbound pass and converted another layup plus the ensuing free throw after a foul, to pull the Rebels to within 13.

Lee outscored Permian, 18-17 in the final quarter but the Panthers hung on thanks to seven made free throws in the frame.

"We kind of fell into a lull after we got up a couple times," said Permian coach Tim Thomas. "But to (Lee's) credit, they were pushing us because they are trying to make a strong finish here at the end. I thought they did a good job. I thought we did a good job of staying off and holding on."

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District 2-6A boys basketball standings

Team	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
x-Amarillo Tascosa	8	1	20	5
x-Odessa Permian	7	2	20	11
x-Wolfforth Frenship	6	3	19	10
Midland High	**3**	**6**	**12**	**17**
Lee	**2**	**7**	**9**	**21**
Odessa High	1	8	10	21

x-clinched postseason berth

Friday's Scores

Wolfforth Frenship 65, Midland High 54
Odessa Permian 69, Lee 57
Amarillo Tascosa 72, Odessa High 47

Tuesday's Games

Odessa Permian at Midland High, Lee at Amarillo Tascosa, Wolfforth Frenship at Odessa High

ODESSA PERMIAN 69, LEE 57

Permian (19-10, 7-2) — Cameron Powell 2, Elijah White 4, Anthony Thomas 3, Jaylon Hamm 4, Ozzy Terrazes 6, Frederick Henderson 2

Lee (9-22, 2-7) — Taye Ross 8, Semisi Dave 13, Devonte Eaden 8, Anthony Ford 6, Jamel Lydia 8, Javon Parker 10, Isaac Nunez 4

Permian	18	19	15	17	69
Lee	12	18	9	18	57

Free throws — Permian 17-23, Lee 15-24. 3-point goals — Permian 2 (5 White, Gonzales, Lee 8 (Birth 2, Eaden 2, Ford 2, Davis, Parker) Total fouls — Permian 24, Lee 24. Fouled out — Terrazes, Brin

Next: Odessa Permian at MHS, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Lee at Amarillo Tascosa, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Juwon Packer (23) gets the ball stripped away by Permian's Elijah White (4) on Friday at Chaparral Center.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL GLANCE

Friday's Scores

MEN

FAR WEST

Hawaii 74, Cal Poly 65

MIDWEST

Akron 87, E. Michigan 76
Oakland 89, Detroit 80
Ohio 79, Ball St. 77

EAST

Castleton 74, Maine Maritime 69, OT
Dayton 75, Rhode Island 74
Harvard 87, Brown 74
Niagara 94, Canisius 81
Penn 70, Columbia 62
Princeton 69, Cornell 60
Yale 73, Dartmouth 64

WOMEN

SOUTH

Chattanooga 70, ETSU 62
Duke 72, Syracuse 55
Elon 70, Northeastern 58
James Madison 77, Delaware 42
Rhodes 61, Centre 37

MIDWEST

Augustana (SD) 74, Sioux Falls 72
Bethany Lutheran 60, Northland 58
DePaul 70, Xavier 45
Drake 101, Illinois St. 49
Finlandia at Martin Luther, ppd.
Marquette 72, Butler 66
Minn. St. (Mankato) 65, Upper Iowa 48
Minn. St. (Moorhead) 88, Bemidji St. 56
Minn.-Morris 60, Northwestern (Minn.) 54
Minot St. 78, Minn. Duluth 71
Missouri St. 73, S. Illinois 59
N. Iowa 70, Bradley 60
North Central (Minn.) 67, Crown (Minn.) 52
Northern St. (SD) 83, Minn.-Crookston 52
St. Cloud St. 82, Mary 74
Wayne (Neb.) 71, SW Minnesota St. 60
Wichita St. 69, Evansville 68
Winona St. 69, Concordia (St.P) 59

EAST

Canisius 52, Niagara 41
Drexel 85, William & Mary 48
Georgetown 77, Seton Hall 60
Hofstra 85, Coll. of Charleston 81
Houghton 72, Utica 63
Monmouth (NJ) 58, St. Peter's 42
Penn 64, Columbia 54
Princeton 58, Cornell 54
Rider 52, Iona 36
Siena 67, Manhattan 62
Skidmore 75, William Smith 57
UMBC 64, Hartford 47
UNC Wilmington 48, Towson 42
Villanova 66, St. John's 56

Today's schedules

MEN

SOUTHWEST

Kansas at Texas Tech, 1 p.m.
TCU at Baylor, 1 p.m.
Louisiana Tech at UTSA, 3 p.m.
Texas at Oklahoma St., 3 p.m.
Nicholls at Cent. Arkansas, 4 p.m.
Northwestern St. at Abilene Christian, 4 p.m.
Arkansas St. at Texas-Arlington, 4:30 p.m.
UALR at Texas State, 4:30 p.m.
Houston at Tulsa, 5 p.m.
Incarnate Word at Sam Houston St., 6:15 p.m.
Lamar at Houston Baptist, 7 p.m.
Southern U. at Ark.-Pine Bluff, 7:30 p.m.
Southern Miss. at UTEP, 8 p.m.

SOUTH

NC State at Wake Forest, 11 a.m.
Texas A&M at Florida, 11 a.m.
Gardner-Webb at Winthrop, 11 a.m.
The Citadel at VMI, Noon
Clemson at Duke, Noon
Kentucky at Alabama, Noon
Coll. of Charleston at William & Mary, 1 p.m.
Charleston Southern at Liberty, 1 p.m.
Miami at Louisville, 1 p.m.
UNC-Greensboro at W. Carolina, 1 p.m.
Georgia St. at Appalachian St., 2:30 p.m.
UNC-Wilmington at Elon, 3 p.m.
Ohio St. at Maryland, 3 p.m.
Lipscomb at Stetson, 3 p.m.
Delaware St. at Morgan St., 3 p.m.
Bethune-Cookman at Coppin St., 3 p.m.
Georgia at Tennessee, 3 p.m.
Delaware at James Madison, 3 p.m.
Md.-Eastern Shore at Norfolk St., 3 p.m.
Florida A&M at NC A&T, 3 p.m.
Samford at Furman, 3 p.m.
Texas A&M-CC at McNeese St., 3 p.m.
Mercer at ETSU, 3 p.m.
Campbell at Presbyterian, 3:30 p.m.
Georgia Southern at Coastal Carolina, 3:30 p.m.
UNC-Asheville at Longwood, 4 p.m.
South Alabama at Louisiana-Monroe, 4 p.m.
Alcorn St. at MVSU, 4 p.m.
Tennessee St. at Jacksonville St., 4:30 p.m.
Boston College at Georgia Tech, 4:30 p.m.
Alabama A&M at Alabama St., 5 p.m.
Auburn at Mississippi, 5 p.m.
Howard at Hampton, 5 p.m.
Charlotte at Middle Tennessee, 5 p.m.
UConn at UCF, 5 p.m.
Marshall at W. Kentucky, 5 p.m.
Fordham at George Mason, 5 p.m.
Texas Southern at Grambling St., 5:30 p.m.
Prairie View at Jackson St., 5:30 p.m.
New Orleans at SE Louisiana, 5:45 p.m.
North Texas at FIU, 6 p.m.
SC-Upstate at North Florida, 6 p.m.
Milwaukee at N. Kentucky, 6 p.m.
Kennesaw St. at Florida Gulf Coast, 6 p.m.
Radford at High Point, 6 p.m.
Morehead St. at E. Kentucky, 6 p.m.
Rice at FAU, 6 p.m.
NJIT at Jacksonville, 6 p.m.
Chattanooga at Wofford, 6 p.m.
South Carolina at Mississippi St., 7 p.m.
Old Dominion at UAB, 7 p.m.
East Carolina at South Florida, 7 p.m.
Austin Peay at Murray St., 7 p.m.
Davidson at VCU, 7 p.m.
Troy at Louisiana-Lafayette, 7:15 p.m.
Arkansas at LSU, 7:30 p.m.
Belmont at Tennessee Tech, 7:30 p.m.

WOMEN

SOUTHWEST

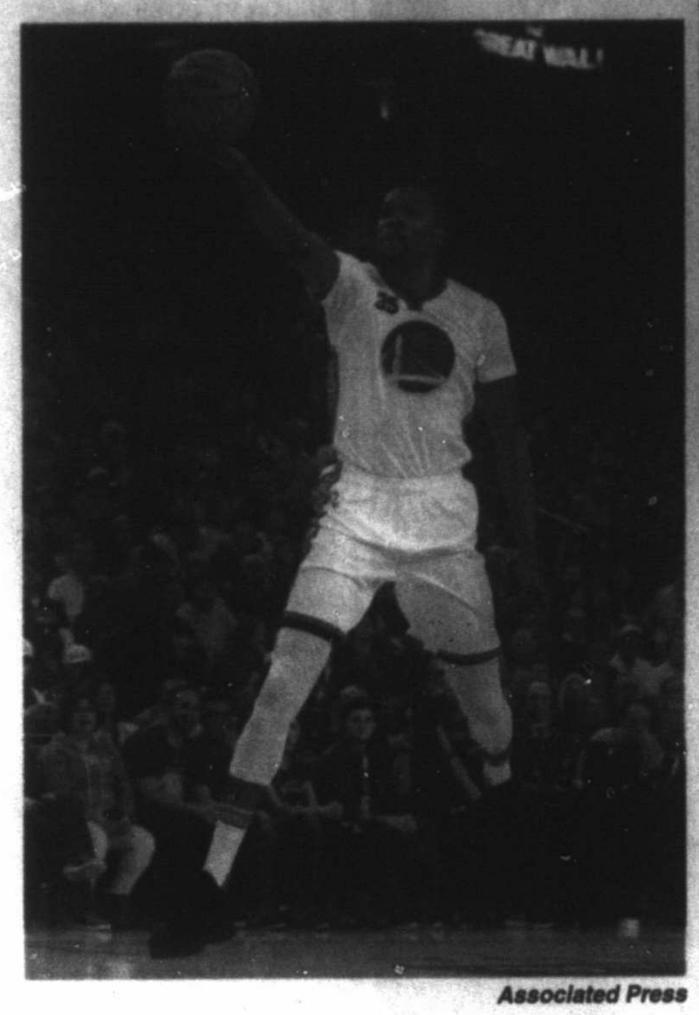
Nebraska-Omaha at Oral Roberts, 12:30 p.m.
UCF at Tulsa, 1 p.m.
Kansas at Texas, 1:30 p.m.
Northwestern St. at Abilene Christian, 2 p.m.
UALR at Texas State, 2 p.m.
Cincinnati at Houston, 2 p.m.
FAU at Rice, 2 p.m.
Arkansas St. at Texas-Arlington, 2 p.m.
FIU at North Texas, 3 p.m.
Lamar at Stephen F. Austin, 3:30 p.m.
Houston Baptist at Sam Houston St., 4 p.m.
Southern U. at Ark.-Pine Bluff, 5 p.m.
Oklahoma at Texas Tech, 6:30 p.m.

SOUTH

SC-Upstate at North Florida, Noon
NJIT at Jacksonville, Noon
Georgia St. at Appalachian St., Noon
Valparaiso at N. Kentucky, Noon
W. Kentucky at Marshall, Noon
Georgia Southern at Coastal Carolina, Noon
Lipscomb at Stetson, Noon
Incarnate Word at McNeese St., 12:45 p.m.
Winthrop at Longwood, 1 p.m.
Wofford at Furman, 1 p.m.
Delaware St. at Morgan St., 1 p.m.
Bethune-Cookman at Coppin St., 1 p.m.
Cent. Arkansas at Nicholls, 1 p.m.
Rhode Island at Davidson, 1 p.m.
SC State at NC Central, 1 p.m.
Charleston Southern at Radford, 1 p.m.
UNC-Greensboro at Mercer, 1 p.m.
UNC-Asheville at Campbell, 1 p.m.
High Point at Gardner-Webb, 1 p.m.
UTSA at Louisiana Tech, 1 p.m.
Florida A&M at NC A&T, 1 p.m.
Tennessee St. at Jacksonville St., 2 p.m.
Alcorn St. at MVSU, 2 p.m.
W. Carolina at Samford, 2 p.m.
South Alabama at Louisiana-Monroe, 2 p.m.
Kennesaw St. at Florida Gulf Coast, 3 p.m.
Alabama A&M at Alabama St., 3 p.m.
Howard at Hampton, 3 p.m.
UAB at Old Dominion, 3 p.m.
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New Orleans at SE Louisiana, 3 p.m.
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Morehead St. at E. Kentucky, 3:30 p.m.
UTEP at Southern Miss., 4 p.m.
Temple at East Carolina, 4 p.m.
Troy at Louisiana-Lafayette, 5 p.m.
Austin Peay at Murray St., 5 p.m.
Belmont at Tennessee Tech, 5:30 p.m.
Middle Tennessee at Charlotte, 6 p.m.
Liberty at Presbyterian, 6 p.m.

Durant still loves Oklahoma City despite fans' frustrations

By Janie McCauley
Associated Press



Associated Press

Golden State Warriors forward Kevin Durant lays up a shot against the Chicago Bulls during the first half of a game Wednesday in Oakland, Calif.

OAKLAND, Calif. — As much as it still hurts for so many Oklahomans to see Kevin Durant shine elsewhere, the Golden State star remains committed to the community he called home for nearly a decade. The place where he grew into the basketball player he is today, and the man he has become.

KD departed Oklahoma City with fanfare on the 4th of July last year to chase a championship with Stephen Curry and the star-studded Warriors.

So when he goes back Saturday night for the first time it will be far from a perfectly harmonious reunion. And that's fine with Durant. He gets it, he understands what he meant to a city that so desperately needed the lift he provided.

"I put everything into that place, so it will be great to see some people that I haven't seen in a while," he said. "So I'm looking forward to that."

In December, Durant donated $57,000 to Positive Tomorrows, an Oklahoma City elementary school for homeless children that he still cares so much about — and insists he always will, wherever he is. So far, he has honored that commitment after previously giving $35,000 to the school through his foundation.

"Well, that's real life," Durant said in December. "I've been a part of that group going on four years now. Just 'cuz I left there don't mean I'll stop building with them. That's totally separate from this NBA stuff. Those kids mean a lot to me, definitely want to continue to keep helping them. I'm glad I can keep helping growing the school. It's all about the community there. That was home for me for eight years. I've still got love for the people there."

But did Durant have to join the Warriors of all teams? The franchise that somehow rallied from a 3-1 deficit to beat the Thunder in a thrilling Western Conference Finals last June.

Golden State has already beaten Durant's old team handily twice this season — by 47 combined points.

Durant has been brilliant in those games: 79 points on 28-for-40 shooting.

Most recently, Durant dazzled with a season-best 40 points in a 121-100 win Jan. 18 at Oracle Arena. He hit seven 3-pointers on the way to 39 points in the first meeting, a 122-96 Warriors rout Nov. 3 also at Oracle.

There are certain to be mixed feelings when he enters Chesapeake Energy Arena again.

Boos? Cheers? Both.

So stung were some fans by his decision they burned his No. 35 jersey and turned to calling him a coward.

Facing Russell Westbrook and his old teammates twice already, Durant has kept his emotions in check and flat-out dominated.

"It's good to see everybody but once the ball's tipped you're just playing, just hooping. It's as simple as that," he said.

There is no love lost between Durant and OKC's current superstar. No pregame pleasantries planned.

"I don't talk to nobody during the game," Westbrook said, noting it's up to the fans what kind of reception they choose for KD.



Associated Press

San Antonio Spurs guard Manu Ginobili (20) passes the ball as Detroit Pistons forward Tobias Harris (34), guard Ish Smith (14) and center Aron Baynes (12) defend during the first half of a game Friday in Auburn Hills, Mich.

NBA ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

SPURS 103
PISTONS 92

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Kawhi Leonard scored 32 points and the San Antonio Spurs never trailed in an easy 103-92 win over the Detroit Pistons on Friday night.

San Antonio's Dewayne Dedmon had 17 points and 17 rebounds, reaching season highs in both categories. LaMarcus Aldridge added 19 points and 11 rebounds.

The Spurs led 27-19 after the first quarter and finished the second on a 12-2 run to take a 60-41 lead into halftime.

PELICANS 122
TIMBERWOLVES 106

MINNEAPOLIS — Anthony Davis had 42 points and 13 rebounds to win a duel with Karl-Anthony Towns and lift the New Orleans Pelicans to a 122-106 victory over the Minnesota Timberwolves on Friday night.

Davis hit 16 of 22 shots, including two 3-pointers, and Jrue Holiday had 25 points and 12 assists to get the Pelicans off to a good start on their final road trip before hosting the All-Star game next weekend. New Orleans shot a season-high 60 percent from the field and hit 12 3-pointers.

HEAT 108
NETS 99

NEW YORK — James Johnson scored a season-high 26 points and the Miami Heat won their 13th straight game, beating the beleaguered Brooklyn Nets 108-99 on Friday night.

Goran Dragic had 21 points and Tyler Johnson added 18 for the Heat, who played without Dion Waiters and trailed by 11 in the third quarter.

NUGGETS 131
KNICKS 123

NEW YORK — Nikola Jokic scored a career-high 40 points to lead the Denver Nuggets to a 131-123 victory over the New York Knicks on Friday night.

On the day Charles Oakley was banned from Madison Square Garden, the current Knicks proved again they can't play defense anywhere near the way his Knicks teams did, and lost their fourth straight.

NBA GLANCE

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	34	19	.642	—
Toronto	32	22	.593	2½
New York	22	33	.400	13
Philadelphia	19	34	.358	15
Brooklyn	9	45	.167	25½

Southeast Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	32	21	.604	—
Atlanta	31	22	.585	1
Charlotte	24	29	.453	8
Miami	24	30	.444	8½
Orlando	20	35	.364	13

Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	36	16	.692	—
Indiana	29	24	.547	7½
Chicago	26	27	.491	10½
Detroit	25	29	.463	12
Milwaukee	22	30	.423	14

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	41	12	.774	—
Houston	39	17	.696	3½
Memphis	33	23	.589	9½
Dallas	21	32	.396	20
New Orleans	21	33	.389	20½

Northwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Utah	34	20	.630	—
Oklahoma City	31	23	.574	3
Denver	24	29	.453	9½
Portland	23	31	.426	11
Minnesota	20	34	.370	14

Pacific Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Golden State	45	8	.849	—
L.A. Clippers	32	21	.604	13
Sacramento	21	32	.396	24
L.A. Lakers	19	37	.339	27½
Phoenix	16	37	.302	29

Scores and schedule

Friday's Scores

Denver 131, New York 123
Miami 108, Brooklyn 99
San Antonio 103, Detroit 92
Golden State 122, Memphis 107
L.A. Lakers 122, Milwaukee 114
New Orleans 122, Minnesota 106
Washington 112, Indiana 107
Atlanta at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.
Chicago at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m.

Today's Games

L.A. Clippers at Charlotte, 5 p.m.
Milwaukee at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Denver at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Golden State at Oklahoma City, 8:30 p.m.
Orlando at Dallas, 9 p.m.
Phoenix at Houston, 9 p.m.
Boston at Utah, 10 p.m.

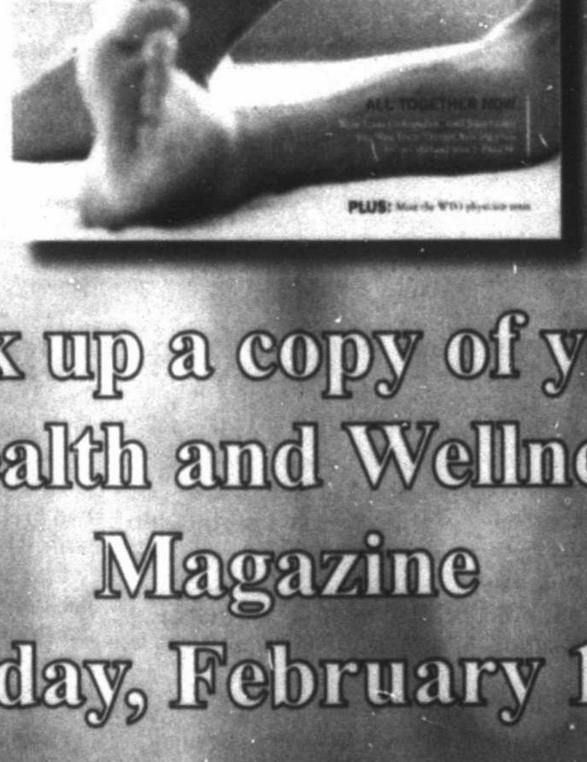
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Russian Olympic champion Savinova stripped of gold, banned

Associated Press

LAUSANNE, Switzerland — Russian runner Maria Savinova was stripped of her 2012 Olympic gold medal for doping on Friday, putting Caster Semenya in line to become a two-time champion.

Savinova, who won the 800-meter title at the London Games ahead of Semenya, was also banned for four years by the Court of Arbitration for Sport.

CAS said the 31-year-old Savinova was "found to have been engaged in using doping" from July 2010 until August 2013.

In 2014, Savinova was caught in undercover footage filmed by Russian doping whistleblower Yulia Stepanova appearing to admit to injecting testosterone and taking the banned steroid oxandrolone. The footage helped spark a World Anti-Doping Agency investigation into Russia, and led to Savinova's blood samples being re-examined.

Following further evidence of widespread drug use, the Russian track team was suspended from all international competitions in November 2015 and missed last year's Olympics.

If the International Olympic Committee decides to reallocate the medals from the 2012 final, Semenya will add that gold medal to the one she won last year in Rio de Janeiro.

The original bronze medalist in the 2012 Olympic final, Ekaterina Poistogova of Russia, is also under investigation for doping. If she is banned, Pamela Jelimo of Kenya would be in line for silver, with bronze for Alysia Montano of the United States. Another Russian who originally finished sixth, Elena Arzakhova, was retrospectively disqualified in 2013 over blood doping.

Semenya could also become a two-time world champion by inheriting Savinova's gold medal from 2011. Yvonne Hak of the Netherlands is in line for the 2010 European title, though Savinova keeps the 2010 world indoor title she won ahead of Britain's Jenny Meadows.

The Russian is also obliged to return at least $156,000 in prize money from various competitions where she's now considered disqualified.

The WADA commission which investigated Russian track and field had originally recommended a lifetime ban for Savinova.

She can appeal the CAS ruling within 45 days.

In the footage filmed by Stepanova, Savinova said doping was the only way to succeed in Russian sport.

"What should we do? How should it go differently? That is our system and in Russia that only works only with pharma," she said, according to a transcript produced by WADA. "Oxandrolone is very quickly out of my body out again. It takes less than 20 days."

Savinova also said that her husband, former runner Alexei Farnosov, had used "contacts" at a drug-testing laboratory to help cover up her doping. The Moscow drug-testing laboratory was later shut down and its director testified he had covered up hundreds of failed tests by top Russian athletes.

Two top coaches who worked with Savinova, Alexei Melnikov and Vladimir Kazarin, have also faced punishment. Melnikov was banned for life by the IAAF last year, while Kazarin is suspended awaiting the results of an investigation, though he's been accused of breaking that suspension by continuing to coach Russian runners.



AP file photo

Three-time NASCAR champion Tony Stewart races a sprint car at Southern Iowa Speedway in Oskaloosa, Iowa, on Aug. 5, 2014. Stewart's return to sprint car racing provided him more frustration than frivolity. Stewart finished a disappointing 17th in the main event late Thursday night at Bubba Raceway Park, and he ended the night arguing with a fellow driver and complaining with officials.

Retired NASCAR star Tony Stewart returns to sprint cars

By Mark Long
Associated Press

OCALA, Fla. — Tony Stewart has returned to sprint car racing, though his first race back provided him more frustration than frivolity.

Stewart finished a disappointing 17th in the 26-car main event late Thursday at Bubba Raceway Park, and he ended the night arguing with a fellow driver and complaining with officials.

Stewart was driving a sprint car for the first time since he accidentally struck and killed Kevin Ward Jr. during a race in upstate New York in 2014. Stewart is still facing a wrongful death lawsuit filed by the fellow driver's family.

The three-time NASCAR champion, who retired after last season, declined comment after the dirt-track event out of respect for the Ward family and later told The Associated Press he didn't want his racing to even appear like he's "rubbing it in the Wards' faces."

He plans to keep a low profile during the event, racing again Friday and Saturday at the three-eighths mile track.

Sprint car racing is Stewart's passion and how he plans to spend much of his retirement. He owns the Arctic Cat All Star Circuit of Champions series, which opened its season Thursday night in Ocala. Given his status and star power, Stewart had the best spot in the pits, just a few steps from the track.

There were barricades alongside his stall, a little something extra to keep the near-capacity crowd a few feet away. Stewart declined photo and autograph requests between breaks, telling those who asked that he would do it all after the finale.

He eventually did, well after he climbed out of his car, walked to the scoring trailer and complained that fellow driver Chad Kemenah blocked him at the start of the 30-lap race. Stewart then hopped on a four-wheeler and drove through the pits to confront Kemenah. Stewart shook his head and waved his hand at Kemenah during their exchange.

It capped what surely had been a long day for Stewart, who arrived in Ocala early in the week and then flew up and back to Detroit early Thursday to join Stewart-Haas Racing drivers Clint Bowyer, Kurt Busch, Kevin Harvick and Danica Patrick for a Ford event that included a tour of the Henry Ford Museum of American Innovation.

Stewart's crew in Ocala included his dad, his girlfriend and his dog. They had little to celebrate outside Stewart's return to winged sprint cars.

Although he started his heat race from the pole, he faded to sixth, failed to qualify for the A Main and then slammed his helmet on a table in his hauler. He eventually managed to race his way into the main event by finishing second in the B Main. He was a non-factor in the finale, won by which Tony Stewart Racing teammate Donny Schatz.

For the last two years, it was unclear when, or if, Stewart would get back in a sprint car after Ward's death. Stewart, who broke his right leg in a 2013 sprint car crash, was emotionally devastated and the incident was made worse by the accusation that he had intentionally targeted Ward, who had climbed out onto the track to confront the NASCAR veteran. A grand jury declined to indict Stewart.

Ward's mother, Pamela, told the AP on Thursday that the family could not comment on Stewart until the civil suit they've filed is over. She said a date for the trial, which will be held this year in Utica, New York, has not yet been set. The Wards are seeking unspecified damages.

Ward also said she was unaware Stewart was returning to sprint car racing.

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From 1B

Jared Janczak (7-4, 2.61 ERA) and Brian Howard (10-2, 3.19) are the top returning starting pitchers. Much is expected from freshman left-hander Nick Lodolo. He was the top unsigned draft pick after being taken No. 41 overall by Pittsburgh. Closer Durbin Feltman (3-0, 1.56) is coming off a strong freshman season. He went 9 for 9 in save situations and struck out 49 in 34 2/3 innings.

Ten other teams to watch:

■ **EAST CAROLINA:** Pirates came within one win of advancing to the CWS for the first time and are American Athletic Conference preseason favorites. OF Dwanya Williams-Sutton's .360 batting average led conference. P Evan Kruczynski (8-1, 2.01) had 95 Ks in 116 2/3 innings.

■ **CAL STATE FULLERTON:** Titans have back three all-conference pitchers and are favored to win seventh Big West title in eight years.

■ **FLORIDA:** Gators were overwhelming pick to win first national title last year but went 0-2 in Omaha with a pair of one-run losses. They lost eight players to the draft, but there's plenty of returning players and incoming talent to make another run at a championship.

■ **FLORIDA STATE:** All three weekend starters and most of the everyday lineup are back, and infielder Drew Mendoza is one of the top freshmen in the country.

■ **LSU:** Eight everyday players return along with top starting pitchers Alex Lange and Jared Poche' and bullpen ace Hunter Newman. Tigers looking to atone for getting swept by Coastal Carolina in home super regional.

■ **MARYLAND:** Terrapins are favored to win the Big Ten after slipping to seventh place last year. SS Kevin Smith is pegged to have a big year after being named D1Baseball.com's Breakout Summer Prospect.

■ **OREGON STATE:** Beavers have almost everybody back, and they're extremely motivated after last year's 35-win team was left out of the NCAA Tournament field.

■ **SOUTH CAROLINA:** Defending SEC East champ Gamecocks return seven position players, and P Wil Crowe is back from Tommy John surgery.

■ **UC SANTA BARBARA:** Gauchos knocked off No. 2 and No. 3 national seeds on their way to CWS last year, and they bring in one of nation's top recruiting classes.

■ **VANDERBILT:** OF Jeren Kendall and P Kyle Wright are among best in nation. Commodores had to cope with death of freshman pitcher Donny Everett on eve of regional and failed to reach super regionals for first time since 2012.

JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

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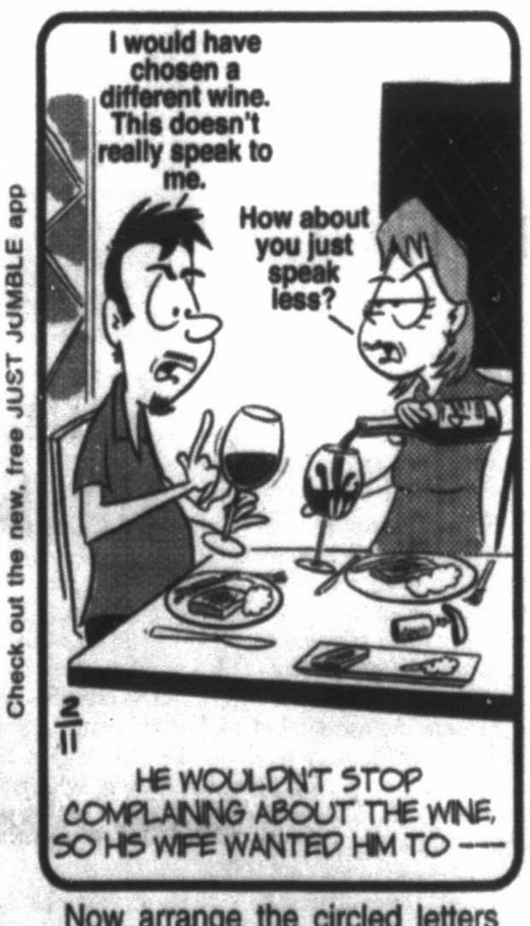
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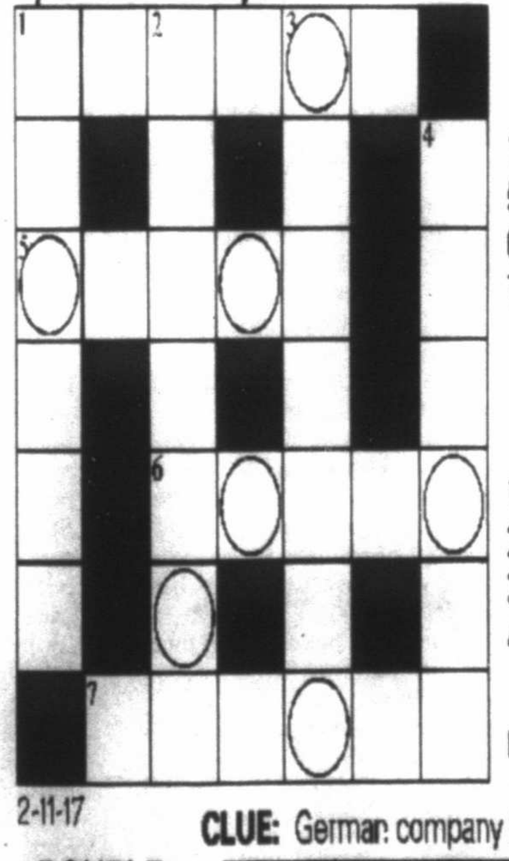
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Answer: The identical twin boys dressed so differently because — "TWO" EACH HIS OWN

JUMBLE CROSSWORDS

by David L. Hoyt



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6. ___ train	VIEDR
7. Boat ___	CHNRAO

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CLUE	ANSWER
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2. Strand	NAABDNO
3. Adore	CEIHHRS
4. Straight	ELIRAN

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Texas Rangers head to spring after 'incomplete mission'

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

ARLINGTON — The Texas Rangers have been AL West champions in each of manager Jeff Banister's first two seasons, and their 95 wins last year were the most in the American League.

That is a lot to celebrate. But not nearly enough after another AL Division Series loss to Toronto and again coming up short of that elusive World Series title.

"I think that burns deeper than just the prospects of being good. You've got to have talent, but desire overrides a lot of that," Banister said. "Still burns deep. Incomplete mission."

Texas heads to spring training in Arizona five seasons removed from their only World Series appearances in 2010 and 2011.

Adrian Beltre goes into his 20th major league season only 58 hits shy of 3,000 in his career, and after winning his fifth Gold Glove last year. But the third baseman, who will turn 38 days after the opener, is still looking for his first World Series ring.

"We do have a team that can compete, obviously," Beltre said. "Find a way how to get it done. Not only get to the playoffs, but go all the way."

Even though Gold Glove-winning first baseman Mitch Moreland, All-Star center fielder Ian Desmond and Carlos Beltran all left in free agency, Texas may be in better shape heading into this spring than a year ago.



AP file photo

Texas Rangers starting pitcher Yu Darvish throws during the third inning of a game against the Oakland Athletics in Arlington on July 27, 2016. Darvish and Cole Hamels, the Rangers two aces, are set to start a season in the rotation together for the first time.

Cole Hamels and Yu Darvish, their two aces, are set to start a season in the rotation together for the first time. Sam Dyson had 38 saves after taking over as the closer in mid-May, while Tony Barnette and Matt Bush excelled in their MLB debuts as 30-something relievers.

Catcher Jonathan Lucroy is set for a full season in Texas after being acquired in an Aug. 1 trade. Carlos Gomez, who came even later than that after his release from Houston, hit eight homers in 33 games and now moves to center field, where he won a Gold Glove in 2013 for Milwaukee.

"A lot of reasons that we have to believe that we are better, but that's all on paper," general manager Jon Daniels said. "It's got to play out on the field."

NEW LOOK: The Rangers expect to fill out their rotation with former Padres right-handers Andrew Cashner and Tyson Ross. Cashner, a Texas native, finished last season in Miami, while Ross was on the disabled list the rest of the year after starting the Padres' opener. Ross is still rehabbing from thoracic outlet syndrome surgery in October. Texas didn't re-sign veteran starters Colby Lewis or Derek Holland.

ROOKIE TO WATCH: Left-hander Yohander Mendez was the organization's top minor league pitcher last year and will likely be at Triple-A Round Rock, but made his big league debut last September.

THEY'RE SET: Up the middle, Texas has shortstop Elvis Andrus and second baseman Rougned Odor. Andrus, at 28 the team's longest-tenured player going into his ninth season, hit a career-best .302 last season. Odor, who just turned 23, had plenty of big shots last year with 33 homers — and that punch to Jose Bautista's jaw.

THEY'RE NOT: The Rangers have no plans for a full-time DH, giving Banister flexibility to use that spot to give different guys a break from the field while staying in the lineup. "We have a third baseman (Beltre) that's a little prickly about getting days off, and it's a little easier to convince him to take half a day," Daniels said.

ON DECK: Mike Napoli is expected to officially rejoin the Rangers at the start of spring training for a third stint with the team, filling the pressing needs for a first baseman and another big bat in the middle of the lineup. Former AL MVP and five-time All-Star outfielder Josh Hamilton will be in camp on a minor league deal and working out at first base after missing last season following three operations on his left knee.

Astros determined to start fast this year

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

HOUSTON — The Houston Astros are still thinking about their terrible start to last season and are determined to start things off much better this year.

As the Astros prepare for the start of spring training, that 7-17 mark is still firmly in their minds. The Astros got it together after that awful month, but it put them in too big of a hole to dig out of and they just missed reaching the playoffs for the second straight season.

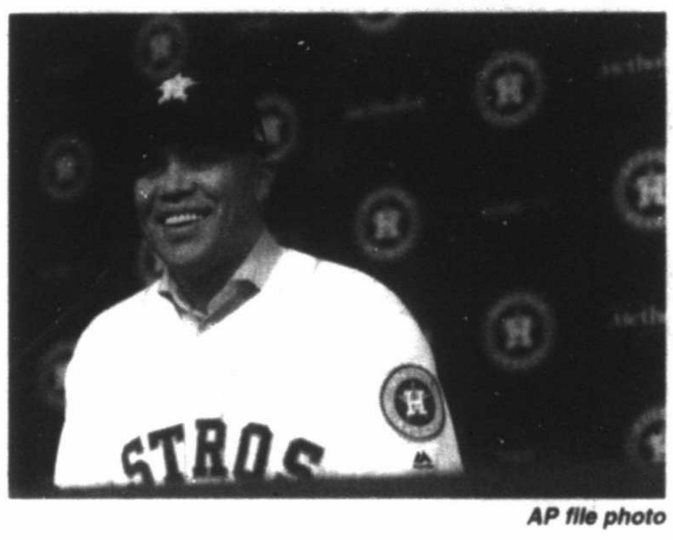
"We weren't expecting that bad start," general manager Jeff Luhnow said. "Nobody was, and once it happened people were a little but paralyzed (like): 'What do we do?'"

The Astros added Carlos Beltran, Josh Reddick and Brian McCann this offseason and Luhnow thinks the trio of proven veterans will help Houston's young and talented core better deal with the ups and downs of a 162-game season.

"I think we have a better chance of surviving a downturn, because we know the downturns are coming," Luhnow said.

Luhnow was confident in his team last season, but believes the offseason additions make the Astros a much more complete team and he expects them to compete for the AL West crown. The added depth will also give manager A.J. Hinch options if his starters struggle.

"A.J. is going to have more weapons," Luhnow said. "Last year Carlos (Correa) got off to a slow start, Colby (Rasmus) got off to a slow start, but those were regular players and there really wasn't anybody to take their spot. This year if someone gets off to a slow start, there's another player there and you can give him a shot."



AP file photo

Outfielder Carlos Beltran smiles during a news conference to announce his signing a one-year contract with the Houston Astros in Houston on Dec. 5, 2016.

Some things to know about the Astros as they open spring training:

NEW LOOK: Longtime catcher Jason Castro signed as a free agent with the Minnesota Twins and the Astros got McCann to waive his no-trade clause to be dealt to Houston. Beltran returns for his second stint with the Astros for what will be his 20th major league season. He is expected to get some time at designated hitter, but Hinch has said that Beltran still enjoys playing in the outfield and will get plenty of time there, too.

Along with Beltran, the Astros beefed up their outfield by adding Reddick and Norichika Aoki and parted ways with Rasmus, who hit just .206 in an injury-filled 2016.

"I think there's just a general buzz and a general excitement because we've added some names, we've added some credibility on the position player side to fill in some of the gaps on the guys that we have lost," Hinch said.

ROOKIES TO WATCH: Houston doesn't have any rookies expected to play big roles this season, but they do have some youngsters that they are hoping will take another step this season to help the team. The most important among them is third baseman Alex Bregman, the second overall pick in the 2015 draft who made his major league debut last season. Bregman hit .264 with eight home runs and 34 RBIs in 49 games last year and the Astros are eager to see what he can do in his first full season in the majors.

THEY'RE SET: For the first time in years, most of Houston's starting lineup and rotation is set. Their infield should be the strength of the team with second baseman Jose Altuve , who hit .338 to win the AL batting title for the second time in three years, and shortstop Carlos Correa, who hit .274 with 20 homers and 96 RBIs leading the way.

THEY'RE NOT: Perhaps the only spot on the team that isn't a lock heading into the spring is the team's closer. Houston used a variety of different options last season after Ken Giles struggled early in his first season in Houston after a trade from Philadelphia. Hinch said he'll get a shot at the job this season, but Luke Gregerson and Will Harris will also get a look.

"Who gets the 27th out will most likely be the same person over time, but it's not necessarily something I have to deal with now," Hinch said.

ON DECK: Ace Dallas Keuchel had a down year in the follow-up to his brilliant 2015 season where he won the Cy Young Award. He started the season 3-9 and was shut down in late August with an injury. He's healthy now and the Astros say he will be ready for the start of camp and expect him to look more like the pitcher he was in 2015 when he won 20 games with a 2.48 ERA.

Stolen bases an afterthought as spring training starts

By Ronald Blum
Associated Press

The stolen base has been stolen from baseball, an afterthought when spring training starts next week.

Baltimore swiped just 19 bases last year, the fewest for any team in more than four decades. In 1982, Rickey Henderson stole his 19th base on April 28 — Oakland's 20th game of the season.

"You're not going to have the stolen-base numbers like Rickey Henderson and Tim Raines and those guys had," Orioles manager Buck Showalter said Thursday after arriving at camp in Sarasota, Florida. "When you've got a lot of guys that hit the ball out of the park, it makes the baserunners real cautious. What's the analyst and all the people on TV going to say when a guy gets thrown out with Chris Davis and Mark Trumbo hitting?"

Oakland set an American League record with 341 steals in 1976, six shy of the post-1900 big league mark established by the 1911 New York Giants. The game has changed since Tim Raines swiped 70 or more each year from 1981-86, among the 808 he accumulated over 23 major league seasons.

Baltimore was just the third team since the start of the expansion era in 1961 to steal fewer than 20 bases, joining the 1964 Boston Red Sox (18) and 1972 Detroit Tigers (17), according to the Elias Sports Bureau.

There were 2,537 steals in 2,428 games last year. The average of 1.04 steals per game combined for both teams last year and 1.03 in 2015 were the lowest two years since 1972 when it was 0.97, Elias said.

"You used to be willing to roll the dice and try to make something happen," Oakland pitcher Sean Doolittle said. "It does seem like it's not as much a part of the game, just like bunting."

Henderson had 100 steals or more in three of his first four full seasons with the Athletics, setting a season record with 130 in 1982 and a career mark of 1,406 from 1979-2003. Just three NL teams topped Henderson's individual record last season, led by Milwaukee with 181, and Cleveland at 134 was the only one in the AL.

"I don't think I would probably steal as many bases as I stole when I played because they dictate when you run and when you do not run," Henderson said.

Joshua Kushner may buy Miami Marlins

By Steven Wine
Associated Press

MIAMI — The Kushner family, which already has close ties to the White House, may soon move into Major League Baseball.

Joshua Kushner, whose older brother is an adviser to President Trump, has a preliminary agreement to buy the Miami Marlins for about $1.6 billion, a person with direct knowledge of the negotiations said Friday.

The person spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the Marlins and owner Jeffrey Loria have not commented publicly on negotiations.

The preliminary agreement preceded due diligence by Kushner, the person said, adding the final offer could be much lower than $1.6 billion. Other parties are also interested in buying the Marlins, and Loria might reopen negotiations with them.

Kushner, 31, is a New York City businessman and investor and part of the real estate family that also includes Jared Kushner, Donald Trump's son-in-law and an adviser to the president. Joshua is Jared's younger brother.

Jared Kushner, who is married to Ivanka Trump, is not believed to part of the effort to the buy team. Neither is the Kushners' father, Charles, who ran the family real estate firm until he went to prison for tax evasion, making illegal campaign contributions and witness intimidation.

"Under Major League Baseball rules, the Commissioner's Office must be informed of any conversations about a potential sale," Major League Baseball said in a statement Thursday. "The Commissioner's Office has not heard directly or indirectly of any conversation involving Charles Kushner."

Any sale must be approved by at least three-quarters of Major League Baseball teams.

Kushner's interest in the Marlins became public Friday as players gathered for a series of community events before spring training starts next week.

"Happy first day back," $325 million slugger Giancarlo Stanton told a throng of media. Talk about a possible sale of the franchise was a distraction, he said.

"The cameras and questions don't help you win," Stanton said. "We've got to stay focused. You've got to worry about what matters."

Closer A.J. Ramos chuckled when asked if a sale would result in tweets from the Oval Office about Marlins games.

"I've got some jokes, but I don't want to comment," he said. "But this is going to be a different organization."

The Marlins haven't reached the playoffs since 2003, the longest streak in the National League, and finished last in the NL in attendance in 11 of the past 12 years despite moving into a new ballpark in 2012. Small crowds have been blamed in part on Loria's unpopularity stemming from the team's perennially low payrolls and a financing agreement for the new ballpark widely viewed as unfair to taxpayers.

The 76-year-old Loria, a New York art dealer, approved increasing payroll by one-third this season to about $100 million, which raised speculation he wanted a competitive team to make it more appealing to potential buyers.

While Loria has a reputation for frugality, he's also known for gestures of generosity. Last year he gave Dee Gordon a 4-inch-wide jeweled medallion for winning the NL batting title.

"He was good to me and my family," Gordon said. "If that sale happens, I'll definitely be sad."

Loria bought the Marlins for $158.5 million in 2002 from John Henry, now part of the Boston Red Sox ownership group.

Detroit Tigers, Red Wings owner Mike Ilitch dies at age 87

By Corey Williams
Associated Press

DETROIT — Mike Ilitch, founder of the Little Caesars Pizza empire and owner of the Detroit Red Wings and the Detroit Tigers, has died. He was 87.

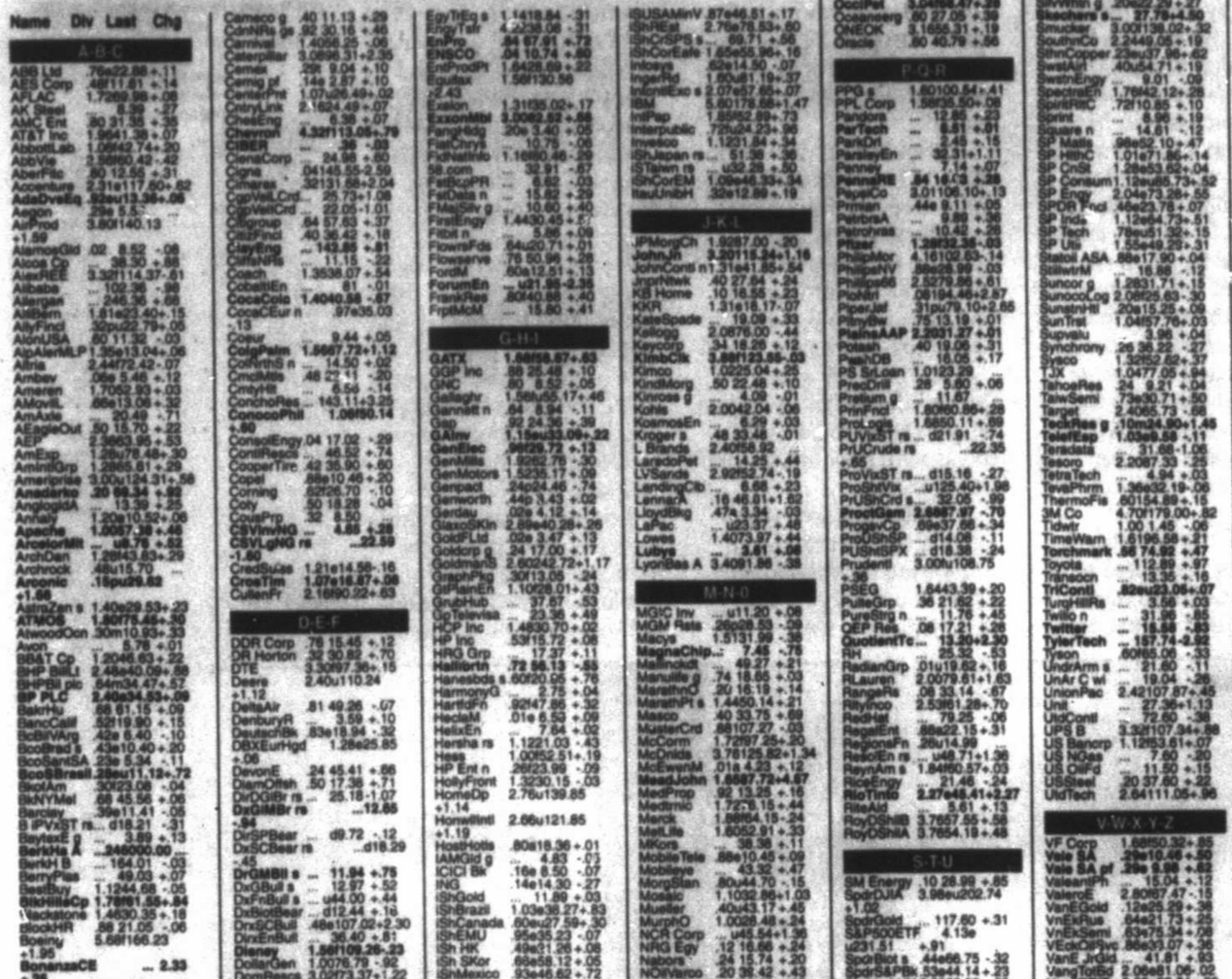
Ilitch, who was praised for keeping his professional hockey and baseball teams in Detroit as other urban sports franchises relocated to new suburban stadiums, died Friday at a hospital in Detroit, according to family spokesman Doug Kuiper.

Ilitch and his wife, Marian, founded Little Caesars in suburban Detroit in 1959, and eventually grew the business into the world's largest carry-out pizza chain with several spin-off companies. Under his ownership and open checkbook, the Red Wings soared back to stability and won four Stanley Cup championships, and the Tigers — who'd scouted a young Ilitch in the 1940s — made it to the World Series.

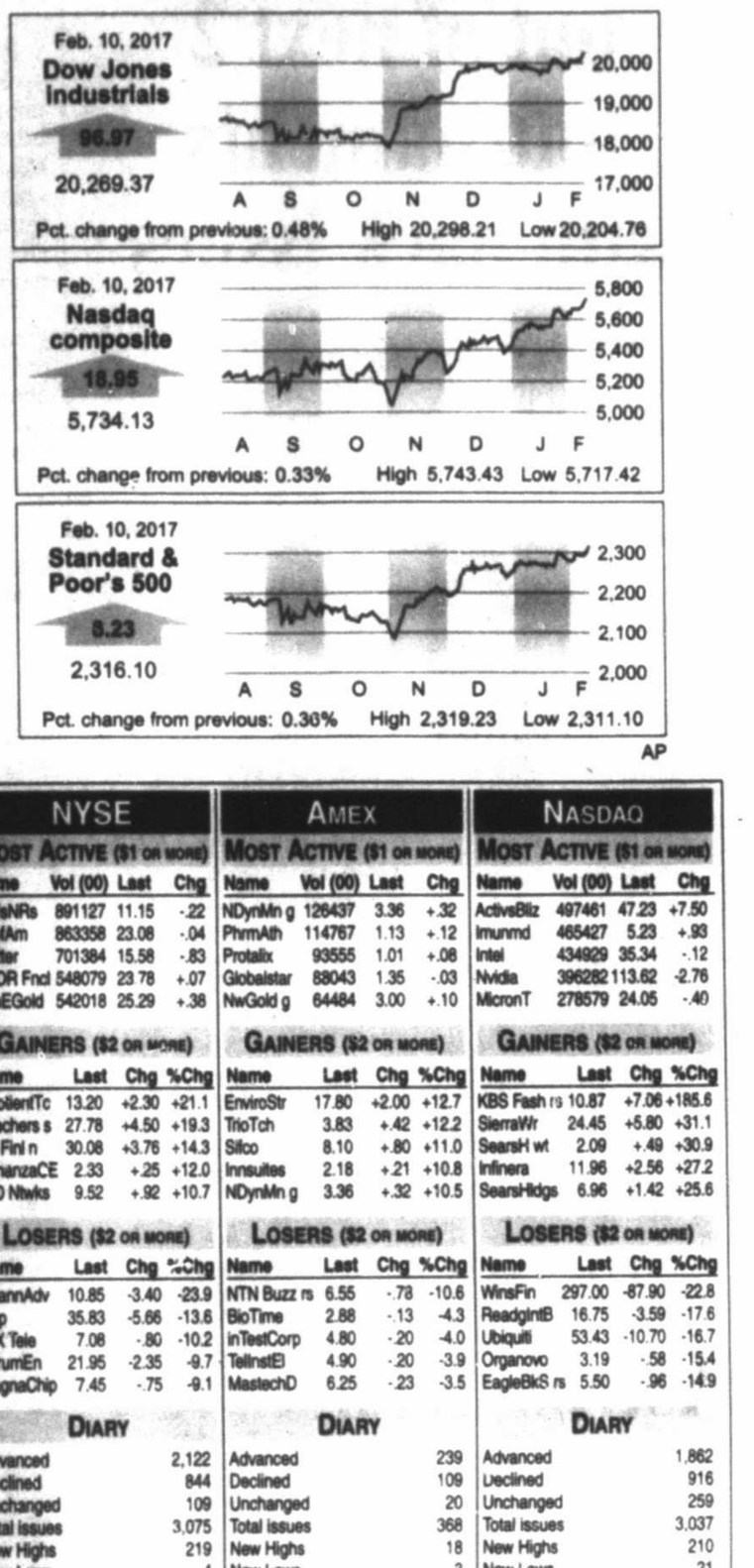
He was as much a fan of the often-struggling Detroit as he was of sports. When approached in 2009 by organizers of the Motor City Bowl in Detroit, Ilitch agreed to sponsor the annual college football bowl game despite a poor local economy. The game was renamed the Little Caesars Pizza Bowl.

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VanEGold	542018	25.29	+.38

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
QuotientTc	13.20	+2.30	+21.1
Skechers s	27.78	+4.50	+19.3
FB Finl n	30.08	+3.76	+14.3
BonanzaCE	2.33	+.25	+12.0
A10 Netwks	9.52	+.92	+10.7

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ChannAdv	10.85	-3.40	-23.9
Yelp	35.83	-5.66	-13.6
MIX Tele	7.08	-.80	-10.2
ForumEn	21.95	-2.35	-9.7
MagnaChip	7.45	-.75	-9.1

DIARY

Advanced	2,122
Declined	944
Unchanged	109
Total issues	3,075
New Highs	219
New Lows	4
Volume	3,266,752,113

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
NDynMn g	126437	3.36	+.32
PrmrkMn	114767	1.13	+.12
ProtaLix	93555	1.01	+.08
Globalstar	68043	1.35	-.03
NwGold g	64484	3.00	+.10

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
EnviroStr	17.80	+2.00	+12.7
TrioTch	3.83	+.42	+12.2
Sifco	8.10	+.80	+11.0
Innsuites	2.18	+.21	+10.8
NDynMn g	3.36	+.32	+10.5

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
NTN Buzz rs	6.55	-.78	-10.6
BioTime	2.88	-.13	-4.3
InTestCorp	4.80	-.20	-4.0
TelInstEl	4.90	-.20	-3.9
MastechD	6.25	-.23	-3.5

DIARY

Advanced	239
Declined	109
Unchanged	20
Total issues	368
New Highs	18
New Lows	3
Volume	155,637,420

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
ActivsBliz	497461	47.23	+7.50
Imunmd	465427	5.23	+.93
Intel	434929	35.34	-.12
Nvidia	396282	113.62	-2.76
MicronT	278579	24.05	-.40

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
KBS Fash rs	10.87	+7.06	+185.6
SierraWr	24.45	+5.80	+31.1
SearsH wt	2.09	+.49	+30.9
infinera	11.96	+2.56	+27.2
SearsHldgs	6.96	+1.42	+25.6

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
WinaFin	297.00	-87.90	-22.8
ReadgIntB	16.75	-3.59	-17.6
Ubiquiti	53.43	-10.70	-16.7
Organovo	3.19	-.58	-15.4
EagleBkS rs	5.50	-.96	-14.9

DIARY

Advanced	1,862
Declined	916
Unchanged	259
Total issues	3,037
New Highs	210
New Lows	21
Volume	1,752,918,675

INDEXES

52-Week High	Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net % Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
20,206.36	15,503.01	Dow Jones Industrials	20,269.37	+96.97	+.48	+2.56	+26.89
9,502.50	6,791.58	Dow Jones Transportation	9,393.79	+62.62	+.67	+3.87	+33.27
723.83	606.14	Dow Jones Utilities	669.68	+4.96	+.75	+1.53	+9.63
11,668.45	8,944.05	NYSE Composite	11,377.72	+50.04	+.44	+2.90	+23.27
5,722.71	4,209.76	Nasdaq Composite	5,734.13	+18.95	+.33	+6.52	+32.20
2,311.08	1,810.10	S&P 500	2,316.10	+8.23	+.36	+3.45	+24.20
1,714.59	1,229.10	S&P Midcap	1,720.84	+9.42	+.55	+3.63	+36.37
24,187.06	18,462.43	Wilshire 5000	24,248.91	+92.70	+.38	+3.51	+27.45
1,392.71	943.09	Russell 2000	1,388.84	+10.31	+.75	+2.34	+42.89

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How stocks of local interest fared

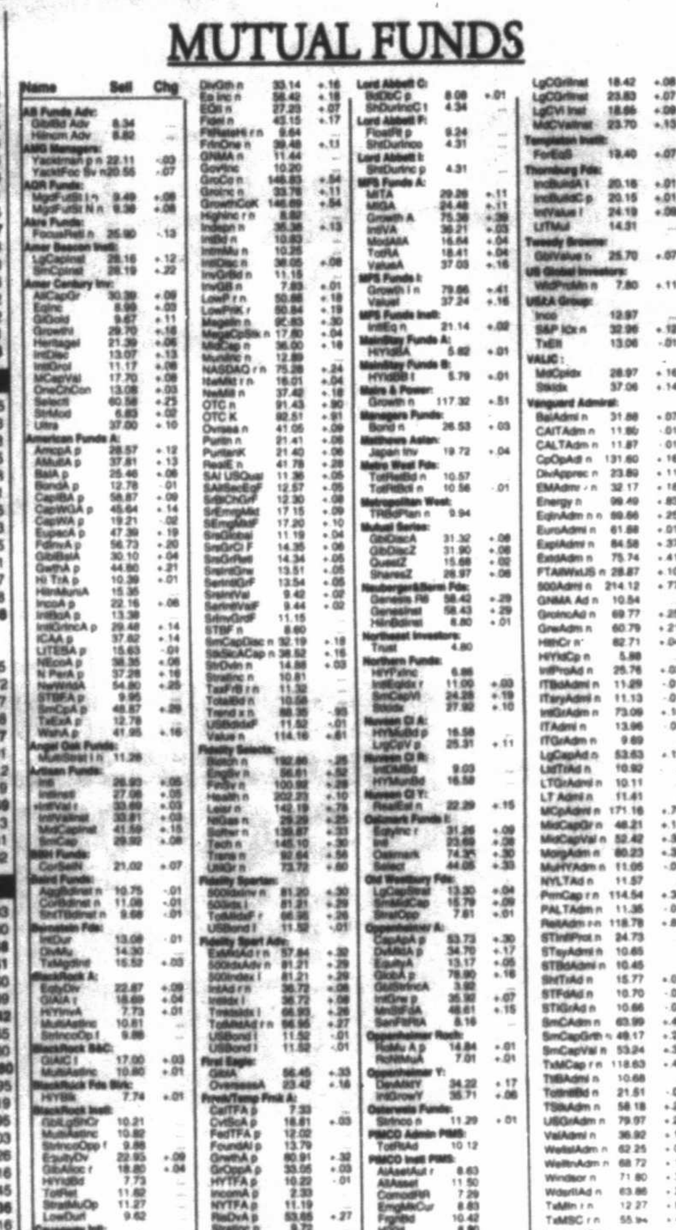
Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AK Steel	...	29	8.39	-.27	-17.8
Abraxas	...	...	2.32	+.03	-9.7
ActivsBliz	.30f	1	47.23	+7.50	+30.8
AdaDvsEq	.92e	...	13.36	+.06	+5.1
AMD	...	...	13.58	+.16	+19.8
AlonUSA	.60	...	11.32	-.03	-.5
Amgen	4.60f	15	167.89	+.42	+14.8
Anadarko	.20	...	69.34	+.92	-.6
Apache	1.00	...	57.38	+.46	-9.6
Apple Inc	2.28	16	132.12	+.30	+14.1
ApldMatl	.40	21	35.32	-.09	+9.5
ArcelorMit	...	31	8.76	+.52	+20.0
Archrock	.48	...	15.70	...	+18.9
Arconic	.15p	...	29.62	+1.66	+59.8
ATMOS	1.80f	21	75.45	+.30	+1.8
AutoData	2.28	26	97.82	+.17	-4.8
BP PLC	2.40a	41	34.53	+.09	-7.6
BakrHu	.68	...	61.15	+.09	-5.9
BkofAm	.30f	18	23.08	-.04	+4.4
B iPVxST rs	...	...	18.21	-.31	-28.6
BarringCp s	1.20	...	14.65	-.07	-5.4
BarrickG	.08	44	19.49	+.34	+22.0
BasicEnS	...	...	.45	...	...
BerkHa A	...	...	164460.00	...	+.8
Biocept rs	...	...	2.37	+.18	+205.8
BlkHillsCp	1.78f	19	61.55	+.84	+.3
BrMySq	1.56f	31	51.65	+.14	-11.5
BrownPA s	...	30	48.10	+.63	+4.0
BrownPB s	...	...	46.96	+.30	+4.5
CSX	.72	26	47.77	+.02	+33.0
CVS Health	1.70f	13	78.53	+1.22	-.5
Caterpillar	3.08	29	96.31	+2.35	+3.8
Celestic g	...	10	13.50	-.11	+13.9
Cemig pf	14e	...	2.87	+.10	+25.9
CntryLink	2.16	10	24.49	+.07	+3.0
ChesEng	...	...	6.38	+.07	-9.1
Chevron	4.32f	...	113.05	+.79	-4.0
Chicos	.32	31	14.25	+.26	-1.0
Cimarex	.32	...	131.68	+2.04	-3.1
Cisco	1.04	15	31.51	+.01	+4.3
Citigroup	.64	12	57.63	+.37	-3.0
CitzyEng	...	...	142.86	+.81	+19.8
CliffsNRs	...	...	11.15	-.22	+32.6
CocaCola	1.40	25	40.58	-.07	-2.1
ColgPalm	1.56	24	67.72	+1.12	+3.5
ConAgra	.80	21	39.84	+.11	+.7
ConchoRes	...	...	143.11	+3.25	+7.9
ConocoPhil	1.08f	...	50.14	+.80	...
Cosan	.50	29	18.28	-.04	-.2
CrackerB	4.60	22	164.30	+1.21	-1.6
CSVInvNG	...	...	4.65	+.28	+53.5
CroaTlm	1.07e	12	16.87	+.08	-8.1
DCP Mid	3.12	19	40.19	-.22	+4.7
DTE	3.30f	22	97.36	+.15	-1.2
Dataram rs	...	...	1.55	-.09	-29.5
DevonE	.24	...	45.41	+.66	-.6
DxGlMBr rs	...	...	12.65	-.94	-63.9
DrGMBll s	...	...	11.94	+.75	+114.0
DxGBull s	...	...	12.97	+.52	+69.0
Disney	1.56f	19	108.28	-.33	+4.8
DowChm	1.84	19	61.19	+.93	+6.9
eBay s	...	5	33.63	+.51	+13.3
EOG Resrc	.67	...	101.44	+1.63	+.3
Energen	.08	...	56.58	+3.48	-1.9
EngyTsfr	4.22	...	38.08	-.31	+6.3
EnPro	.84	51	67.91	+.72	+.8
EntProdPt	1.64	23	26.69	+.22	+6.1
Ericsson	.46e	...	5.71	-.06	-2.1
ExxonMbl	3.00	37	82.52	+.66	-6.6
Facebook	...	32	134.15	+.05	+16.5
FrontierCm	.42	...	3.31	+.03	-2.1
GATX	1.68f	10	58.67	+.63	-4.7
GabelliUT	.94e	...	7.81	+.07	+7.9
GAMry	1.15p	...	33.09	+2.23	+6.1
GenElec	.96f	24	29.72	+.13	-5.9
GileadSci	2.08f	7	66.36	+.77	-7.3
GtPlainEn	1.10f	17	26.01	+.43	+2.4
Halliburtn	.72	...	56.13	-.55	+3.8
IAMGld g	...	17	4.85	+.05	+25.1
iShBrazil	1.03e	...	38.27	+.83	+14.8
iShChinaLC	.76e	...	38.01	+.20	+9.5
iShEMkts	.84e	...	38.22	+.35	+9.2
iS Eafe	1.70e	...	60.14	+.14	+4.2
iShR2K	1.77e	...	137.94	+1.04	+2.3
Imunmd	...	...	5.23	+.93	+42.5
Infinera	...	23	11.96	+2.56	+40.9
Intel	1.04	18	35.34	-.12	-2.6
InterDig	1.20	17	96.80	+1.85	+8.0
JohnJn	3.20	17	115.24	+1.16	...
KimbCtk	3.68f	21	123.55	-.03	+8.3
KindMorg	.50	73	22.48	+.10	+8.5
Kinross g	...	...	4.09	-.01	+31.5
LegacyRes	.60m	...	2.34	+.06	+10.4
Lubys	...	...	3.81	+.06	-15.7
MarathnO	.20	...	16.19	+.14	-6.5
McDnlds	3.76	23	125.82	+1.34	+3.4
MeadJohn	1.65	26	87.72	+4.67	+24.0
Merck	1.88f	17	64.15	-.24	+9.0
MetrPetwt	...	36	27.70	+.25	+4.5
MexcoEn	...	...	5.39	-.03	+7.8
Micrnchp	1.44	...	70.90	-.03	+10.5
MicronT	...	...	24.05	-.40	+9.7
Microsoft	1.56f	28	64.00	-.06	+3.0
Nabors	.24	...	15.74	+.20	-4.0
NatGrid	3.35e	...	69.88	+.42	+2.7
NOilVarco	.20	30	39.42	+.43	+5.3
NikeB s	.84f	25	56.22	+.91	+10.6
NobleCorp	.08	4	7.31	+.68	+23.5
NDynMn g	...	...	3.36	+.32	+62.3
NSTFI3	.55a	...	14.28	-.09	+.8
NTXGI	.85	...	14.12	+.01	+2.9
Nvidia	.56	69	113.62	-2.76	+6.4
OccilPet	3.04f	...	68.47	+.28	-3.9
Oracle	.60	20	40.79	+.56	+6.5
Pandora	...	...	12.85	+.23	-1.5
PerTech	...	20	5.51	+.01	+16.7
PetroDvl	...	...	2.45	+.15	-5.8
ParsleyEn	...	...	32.31	+1.11	-8.3
PattUTI	.06	...	27.89	+.05	+3.6
Penney	...	...	7.14	+.07	-14.1
PennaRE	.84	75	18.03	+.28	-4.9
Pentair	.44e	25	61.11	+.05	+18.2
Petrobras	...	...	10.42	+.28	+3.1
Pfizer	1.28f	14	32.35	-.03	-.4
PhrmAth	2.91e	1	1.13	+.12	-55.2
PioNtr	.08	...	194.46	+2.87	+8.0
PlainsAAP	2.20	29	17.27	+.01	-3.2
PlugPowr h	...	...	1.18	+.33	-1.7
PwShs QQQ	1.52e	...	127.38	+.42	+7.5
Praxair	3.15f	21	116.23	+.47	-.8
PrmEgy	...	...	99.00	+4.72	+9.2
PUVixST rs	...	...	9.91	-.74	...
ProctGam	2.68	23	87.97	-.70	+4.6
Qualcom	2.12	15	54.00	+1.12	-17.2
RangeRs	.08	...	33.14	-.67	-3.6
RegionsFn	.26	17	14.99	...	+4.4
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Rowan	.40	6	18.20	+.51	-3.7
RoyDShllA	3.76	82	54.19	+.48	-.3
SpdrDJIA	3.96e	...	202.74	+1.02	+2.6
S&P500ETF	4.13e	...	231.51	+.91	+3.6
SpdrRetli s	.49e	...	44.04	+.30	-1
SabnR	1.92e	19	39.90	+.20	+13.5
SanderFm	.96	11	91.70	-.48	-2.7
Schlmbrg	2.00	71	82.16	+.95	-2.1
SeadrillLtd	...	1	1.92	+.17	-43.7
SiriusXM	.01p	36	4.73	+.03	+6.3
Skechers s	...	18	27.78	+4.50	+13.0
Smucker	3.00f	17	138.02	+.32	+7.8
SPDR Fncl	.46e	...	23.78	+.07	+2.3
SunocoLog	2.08f	55	25.63	-.30	+6.7
TelefEsp	1.03e	...	9.58	-.11	+4.1
Tesoro	2.20	13	87.33	-.25	-.1
TimePrnr	1.36e	11	13.19	-.06	-11.2
3M Co	4.70f	22	179.00	+.82	+.2
Torchmark	.56	17	74.92	+.47	+1.8
Transocn	...	...	13.35	+.16	-9.4
TriContl	.82e	...	23.08	+.07	+4.8
Twitter	...	...	15.58	-.83	-4.4
TylerTech	...	50	157.74	-2.92	+10.5
UBSI	1.32	22	43.85	+.30	-5.2
US OilFd	...	...	11.50	+.15	-1.9
USSteel	.20	...	37.60	+.22	+13.9
Valo SA	.29e	...	10.46	+.50	+37.3
ValeantE	2.80f	18	67.47	+.15	-1.2
VanEGold	.12e	...	25.29	+.38	+20.9
VanE JrGld	...	...	41.81	+.93	+32.5
VerizonCm	2.31f	12	48.98	+.17	-8.2
VulcanM	.80	40	122.60	+2.10	-2.9
WEC Engy	2.08	20	57.45	+.11	-1.9
WalMart	2.00f	15	68.02	-1.06	-1.8
WalgBoots	1.50	18	83.31	+.93	+.7
WealthInt	...	...	6.06	+.10	+21.4
WellsFargo	1.52	14	56.86	+.13	+3.2
WstnRefin	1.52	26	37.47	-.11	-1.0
WstnUnion	.70f	12	19.74	-.64	-9.1
WhitingPet	...	...	11.39	+.34	-5.2
WmsCos	.80	66	28.44	-.23	-8.7
XcelEngy	1.36	20	41.94	+.18	+3.0
Xerox	.31	10	7.30	+.04	+27.0
Yelp	...	...	35.83	-5.66	-6.0
Zynga	...	...	2.58	+.06	+.4

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Woods pulls out of next 2 tournaments with back issues

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. — Tiger Woods pulled out of his next two tournaments because of ongoing back problems, a somber outlook for a 14-time major champion whose comeback barely lasted three tournaments before another setback.


Woods

Woods said Friday on his website that he was still coping with back spasms that he attributed to his withdrawal from the Dubai Desert Classic last week.

"My doctors have advised me not to play the next two weeks to continue my treatment and to let my back calm down," Woods said.

The Tiger Woods Foundation now runs the Genesis Open in Los Angeles, and Woods was expected to play Riviera next week for the first time since 2006. He also withdrew from the Honda Classic near his home in Florida.

Woods said he would still go to Riviera to support the tournament.

Woods was out of golf for 15 months while recovering from three back surgeries — the first one a week before the 2014 Masters, the most recent in October 2015 — and returned with high hopes at an unofficial event in the Bahamas the first week in December. Woods made 24 birdies to offset a litany of mistakes and finished 15th in an 18-man field.

His return to a full field didn't last long. Woods didn't make the cut at Torrey Pines, and lasted only one round at Dubai, where he shot 77 and walked gingerly on the putting greens and climbing out of bunkers. He cited back spasms the next day when he withdrew.

Earlier in the week, Woods said in a promotional interview that he didn't think he would "ever feel great" again because of the surgeries. The interview was with Peter Dawson, the former R&A chief executive who now promotes golf in Dubai.

"I feel good, not great," Woods said in the interview. "Granted, I don't think I'll ever feel great because it's three back surgeries, four knee operations. I'm always going to be a little sore. It's just the way it is. As long as I can function, and function at a good enough level, I'm fine with that."

Woods won the last of his 14 majors at Torrey Pines in the 2008 U.S. Open, and then he was out for the next eight months after reconstructive knee surgery. The last of his 79 PGA Tour victories was in August 2013 at the Bridgestone Invitational.

His statement didn't indicate when he would return, but because Woods has been out of golf for so long — he is No. 674 in the world — he is not eligible for two of the World Golf Championships in March.

That would leave either the Valspar Championship at Innisbrook on March 9-12 — an event he has never played — or the Arnold Palmer Invitational the following week at Bay Hill, where he has won eight times.

Jordan Spieth makes putts in Pebble Beach Pro-Am

Associated Press

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. — Jordan Spieth knew the pin position on the ninth hole at Spyglass Hill as much by memory as by sight, which was a good thing considering the fog creeping across the Monterey Peninsula on Friday.

The crowd behind the green couldn't see Spieth, only a golf ball that landed behind the flag and spun back 3 feet below the cup. Spieth tapped that in for his eighth birdie of the round and a 7-under 65 that put him atop the leaderboard in the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am.

Spieth was at 10-under 133.

Derek Fathauer was 8 under for his round at Pebble Beach and tied with Spieth at 10 under. Fathauer had to return Saturday morning to finish his round on the ninth hole. The bigger threat might be Jason Day, the world's No. 1 player, who was 7 under through 12 holes at Spyglass when play was stopped. Day was at 9 under.

Patrick Reed, who withdrew two weeks ago from the European Tour event in Australia next week because of a respiratory infection, was at 7 under and had one hole to play at Monterey Peninsula.

Spieth mainly was thrilled that he finished just before the horn sounded to suspend play again, this time for fog.

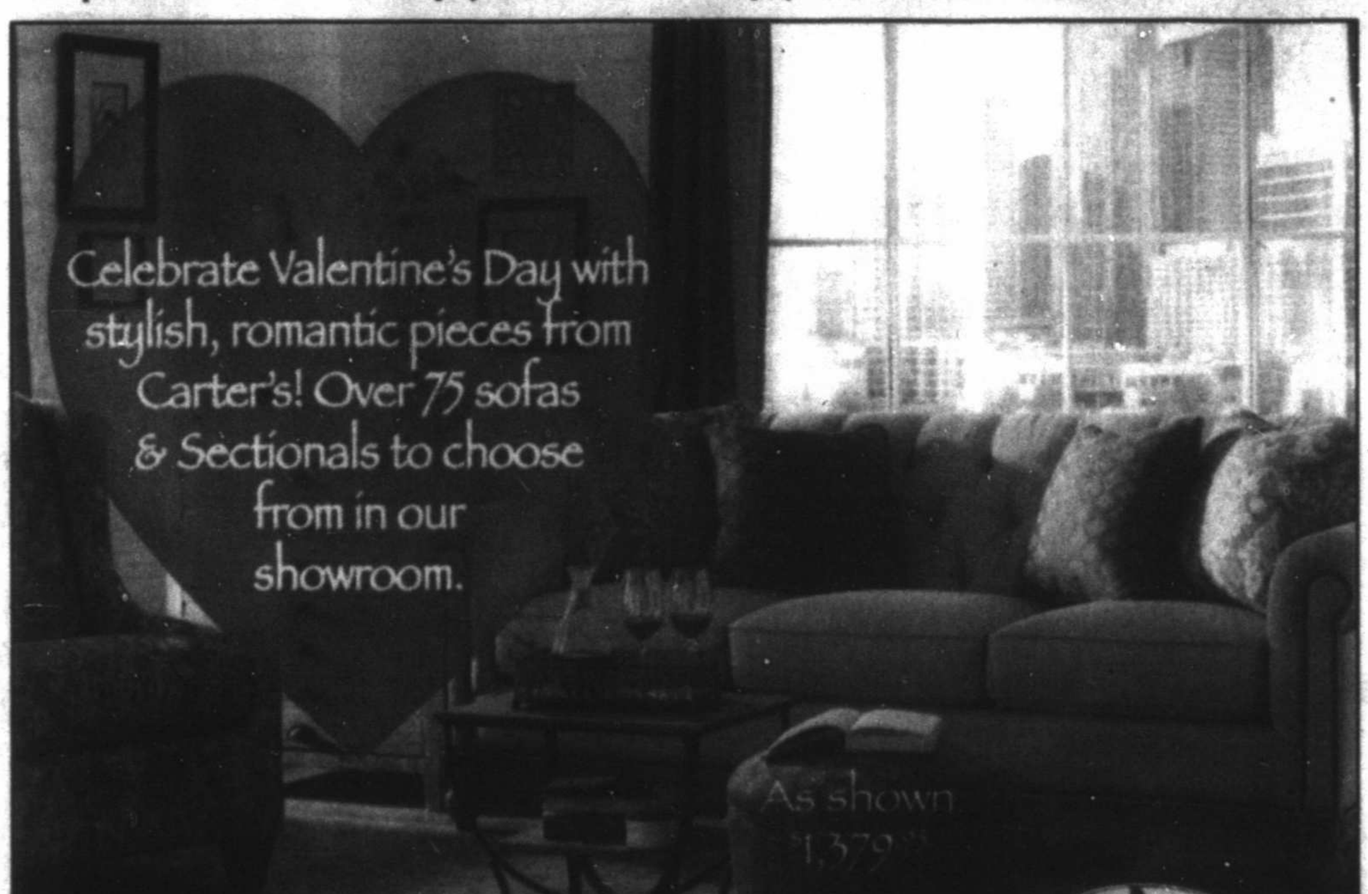
It's hard to know where anyone stands until three rounds are completed, let alone when only 33 out of 154 players were done with the second round. Spieth only knew that his swing was dialed in and his putter — the most dangerous club in his bag — was coming around.

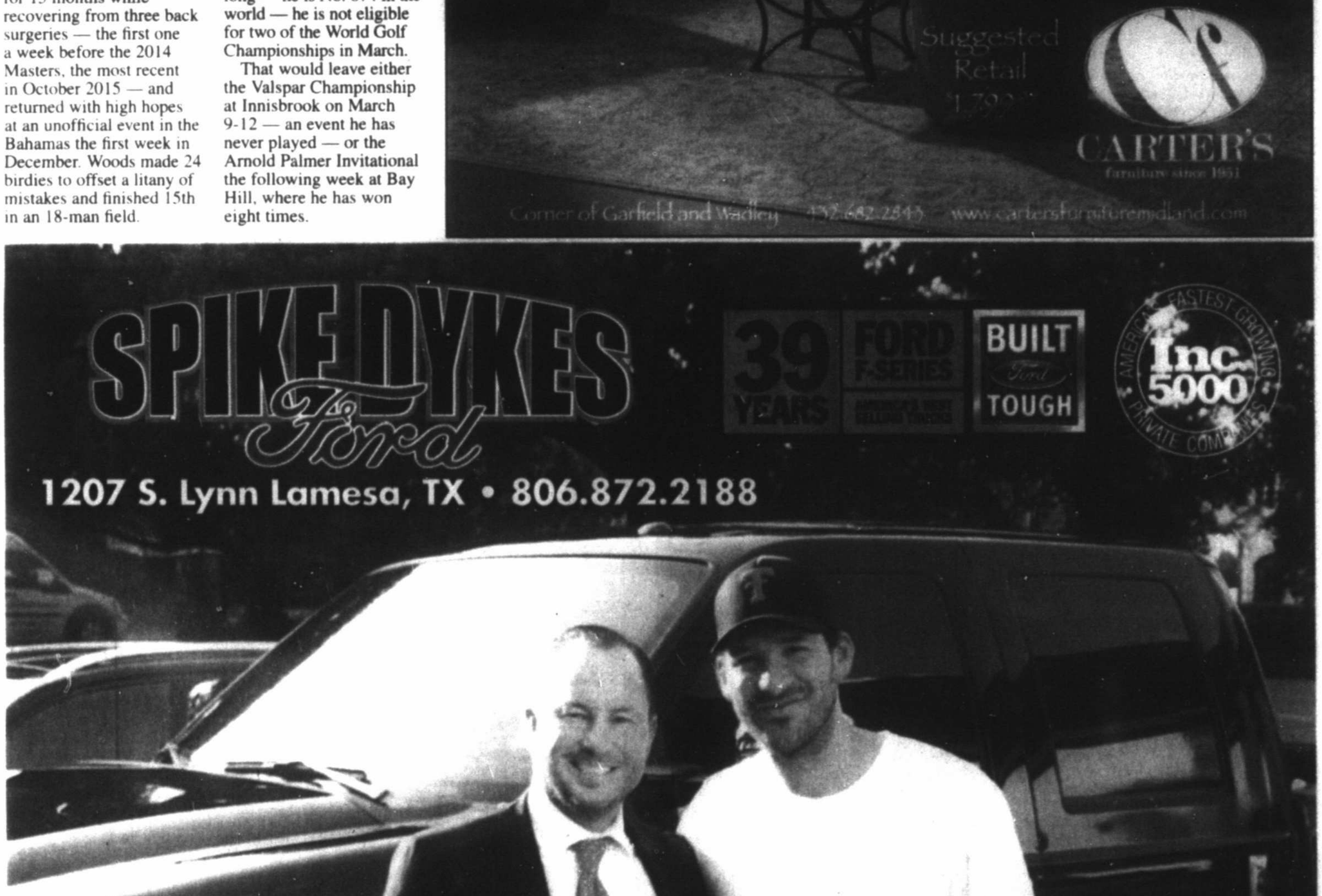
"I didn't feel any nerves out there, even though I knew I was toward the lead, just because so much could happen with three courses," he said. "The first two rounds, it's been easy. Tomorrow might feel a little different. But in my opinion, I'm at 10 under now. If I can try and just make two (birdies) a side at Pebble Beach each time, and make up for the bogeys with maybe another birdie, it may be good enough."

The sun, rarely seen this week, is supposed to be make an appearance this weekend. Spieth and Day will play Pebble the final two rounds, and it typically is the easiest when the weather is benign.

Friday
p-Pebble Beach Golf Links: 6,816 yards, par 72
m-Monterey Peninsula Country Club: 6,958 yards, par 71
s-Spyglass Hill Golf Course: 6,953 yards, par 72
Pebble Beach, Calif.
Purse: $7.2 million
Partial Second Round

Jordan Spieth	68m-65s—133
Martin Flores	70m-68s—138
Jon Rahm	73s-67p—140
Dustin Johnson	70m-69s—139
James Hahn	73m-67s—140
Mackenzie Hughes	70m-70s—140
Scott Stallings	72s-70p—142
Tadahiro Van Aswegen	71p-70m—141
Jimmy Walker	72p-69m—141
Chad Collins	72p-70m—142
Phil Mickelson	70m-72s—142
Webb Simpson	71m-72s—143
Jim Furyk	70s-74p—144
Matt Kuchar	74p-69m—143
Steven Alker	77s-67p—144
Ryan Palmer	75s-70p—145
Martin Laird	71m-73s—144
Steve Marino	74s-71p—145
Ryan Brehm	74s-71p—145
Chris Stroud	76p-69m—145
Billy Hurley III	72p-73m—145
Mike Weir	74s-73p—147
Henrik Norlander	76s-71p—147
Steven Bowditch	78s-70p—148
Zack Sucher	74s-76p—150
Brendon Todd	77p-72m—149
Brendon de Jonge	76m-72s—150
Matt Every	72s-79p—151
Smylie Kaufman	78m-72s—151







TRAVEL



WHERE DO YOU WANT TO GO?

Midlanders, it's that time again of the year again: time to take a trip. And there's plenty of places to get lost, have an adventure, relax or do all three.

A whirlwind of a New Mexico adventure

By Pam LeBlanc
Austin American-Statesman

When the rambling man inside your head threatens to grab the wheel, go ahead and succumb.

A good old-fashioned road trip — one fueled by roadside diners, stops at oddball attractions and frequent forays into nature — does the soul good. At least that's what I found when I flew to El Paso and joined for a five-day spin through southeastern New Mexico.

We swept across drifting sands, climbed mountains, chilled alongside the Rio Grande and rambled through the desert, uncovering quirkiness and charm all along the way. Here's how our trip unfolded.

At White Sands National Monument, a glistening, lunar eclipse of a park just outside Alamogordo, Don Baumgardt, owner of GeoBetty Tours, whips a pair of saucer-shaped sleds out of his trunk. We drag them up what looks like a hill of sugar and slide down, whooping and hollering all the way. We also make sand angels, hike across a series of sand ridges and follow a beetle trekking through the desolate terrain. The park offers a variety of activities, from full-moon bike rides to sunrise photography tours and sunset strolls. Stop by the visitor center to watch an orientation movie, and if you forgot your sled, get one there.

All that sliding makes us hungry, so we slow roll into nearby Tularosa, where we sample an array of pistachios and pistachio products at Heart of the Desert Pistachios. (Anybody remember when pistachios were always dyed red? No more.) I like the plain ones best, but more adventurous nut munchers might like the green chili garlic or green chili onion varieties. Be sure to wander onto the patio for an up-close look at a grove of pistachio trees.

Please see **NEW MEXICO**/2C



Crested Butte has fun on, off the snow-covered slopes

By Pam LeBlanc
Austin American-Statesman



I'm scrunching my way up a mountain as the first streaks of pink light smudge the sky when something dashes past.

Delicate and gray, with a bushy tail unfurled like a feather duster, a fox trots down a nearby ridge and dashes into the scrub. That's about it as far as crowds go on this early morning in late December.

And it's bliss.

I've landed at Crested Butte Mountain Resort over the New Year's holiday, one of the busiest weekends of the year at this Colorado ski area. No matter; even if the lift lines swell to a 10-minute wait (and that's about as bad as it ever gets here), you'll find peace and solitude if you get up early.

Which is exactly what Zach Pickett, communications coordinator for Crested Butte, and I have done. We met an hour ago in the dark, lamps strapped to our heads, and added stretchy strips of fabric called skins to the bottom of our lightweight, narrow skis. The skins help our skis grip the snow, so we don't slide downhill as we inch our way upward.

It's a cardio workout sure to thrill the fittest trail runner. My heart pounds as we make our way uphill, but I love it. I feel like a resident of Whoville from "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" as I look down on the base area far below, and when we cross paths with a second fox, I'm officially in heaven. (If you'd rather stay up late than get up early, join a Full Moon party Sunday, when participants skin or snowshoe up the mountain, enjoy dinner and drinks and glide back down.)

In the end, this morning's skinning expedition clocks in as just one of several highlights of my trip to Crested Butte, which has long ranked as one of my favorite ski destinations. Unlike some ready-made ski resorts, created from scratch by developers to lure in tourists, this one started as a coal-mining town and retains much of its colorful character. That means buildings that once housed brothels, and saloons with long wooden bars.

And talk about snow. This season the snow gods have gifted the Butte with more than 20 feet of the white stuff. A single storm cycle in January dropped more than 7 feet of powder in 10 days, forcing the resort to temporarily close — buried in snow! — on Jan. 9. It reopened the next day.

Snow depth has hovered around 80 inches all month, in fact, and that means access to plenty of extreme terrain, which draws adrenaline junkies to knuckle-whitening areas like Headwall, Paradise Cliffs and Teo Bowl. I love a good gladed run, so I spend half a day swallowed up in the trees of Gully Glades, picking my way through a perfectly thinned forest of pines.

All that snow also means lots of work for ski patrollers — the two-legged and four-legged kind. Three labs and a golden retriever punch their time cards at Crested Butte, and I swing by the Ski Patrol hut to say hello to Ziggy and Moose, who greet me with a wet nuzzle.

"He loves his job so much," Shawn Williams said of Ziggy, a 9-year-old, 95-pound chocolate lab with sweet amber eyes. "When I put my vest on in the morning, he starts jumping up and down and barking."

Ziggy rides a chairlift to work and hangs out in the patrollers hut until he heads out for training — or to assist in a search. I rumple his soft ears. Ski patrollers (some of whom slap stickers reading things like "My avi dog is smarter than your honor student" on their bumpers) handpick their work partners when they're puppies, looking for fearless animals that crave human affection.

Ziggy's favorite treat? "Love," Williams said. "Their drive in life is to make people happy."

Please see **SLOPES**/3C

Western Colorado: Where the hot springs flow

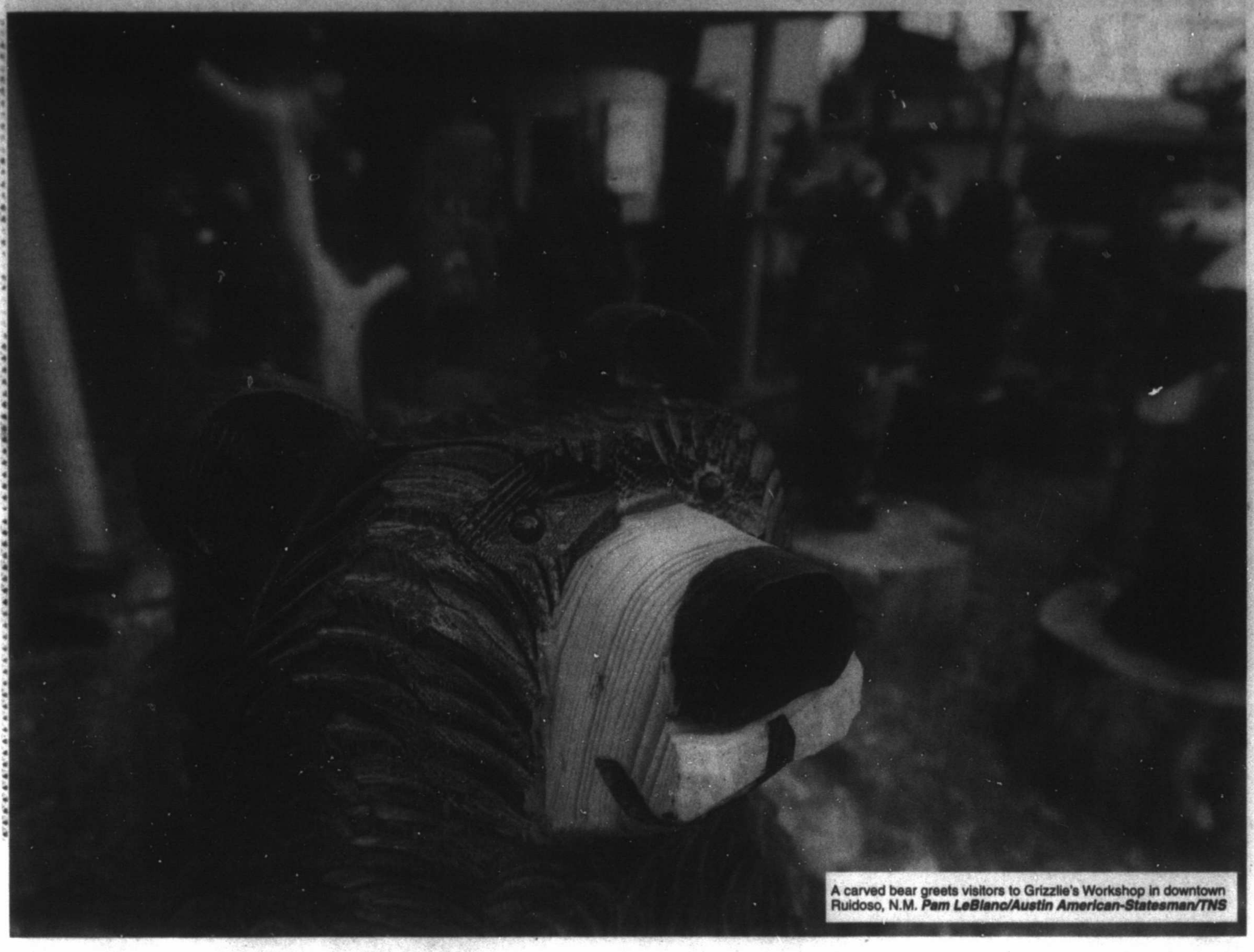
By Melanie D.G. Kaplan
Special to The Washington Post



I have been visiting Colorado with my family since I was a child. I've come to know the state from many angles of adventure, from the adrenaline rushes of offroading in Grand Junction to white-water kayaking in the Crystal River. Last summer's visit was no different, beginning with stand-up paddling in Boulder and ending with an exhausting hike up the tallest dune in North America at Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve.

Through the years, I've stumbled across a few natural hot springs, which range from hippie, clothing-optional pools to family-friendly resorts. But it wasn't until my most recent trip that I realized how much soaking is part of Colorado culture. It's a difficult life: You play hard, you relax hard.

Please see **SPRINGS**/3C



A carved bear greets visitors to Grizzlie's Workshop in downtown Ruidoso, N.M. *Pam LeBlanc/Austin American-Statesman/TNS*

New Mexico

From 1C

We grab a quick dinner, then continue on our way to Ruidoso, where we check in at the famous Inn of the Mountain Gods, a resort built by the Mescalero Apaches. Attractions here include golfing, gaming (we skipped the casino, but if you're into that sort of thing, this one covers 45,000 square feet and is packed with machines, poker tables and roulette wheels), restaurants and live entertainment.

Our rooms overlook a small lake surrounded by pine trees. The next morning, I get up early, lace up my trail runners and head out to explore. The place is huge; I walk past a zip line over the lake, bike rentals and the golf course, all tucked in the trees.

We pile back into the car and on a whim head south of town to check out the Hurd-La Rinconada Gallery that features art by Michael Hurd, Peter Hurd, Henriette Wyeth Hurd, Andrew Wyeth and N.C. Wyeth. You might recognize N.C. Wyeth's imagination-inspiring illustrations from books like "Treasure Island," "Robin Hood" and "Robinson Crusoe," and his son Andrew Wyeth's vaguely disturbing painting "Christina's World," portraying a woman lying in a field in front of a farm house.

We meet Michael Hurd, who's still painting, and he takes a few minutes to show us around before he heads out to paint. "To me a painting or a drawing is an emotional time exposure," he tells us.

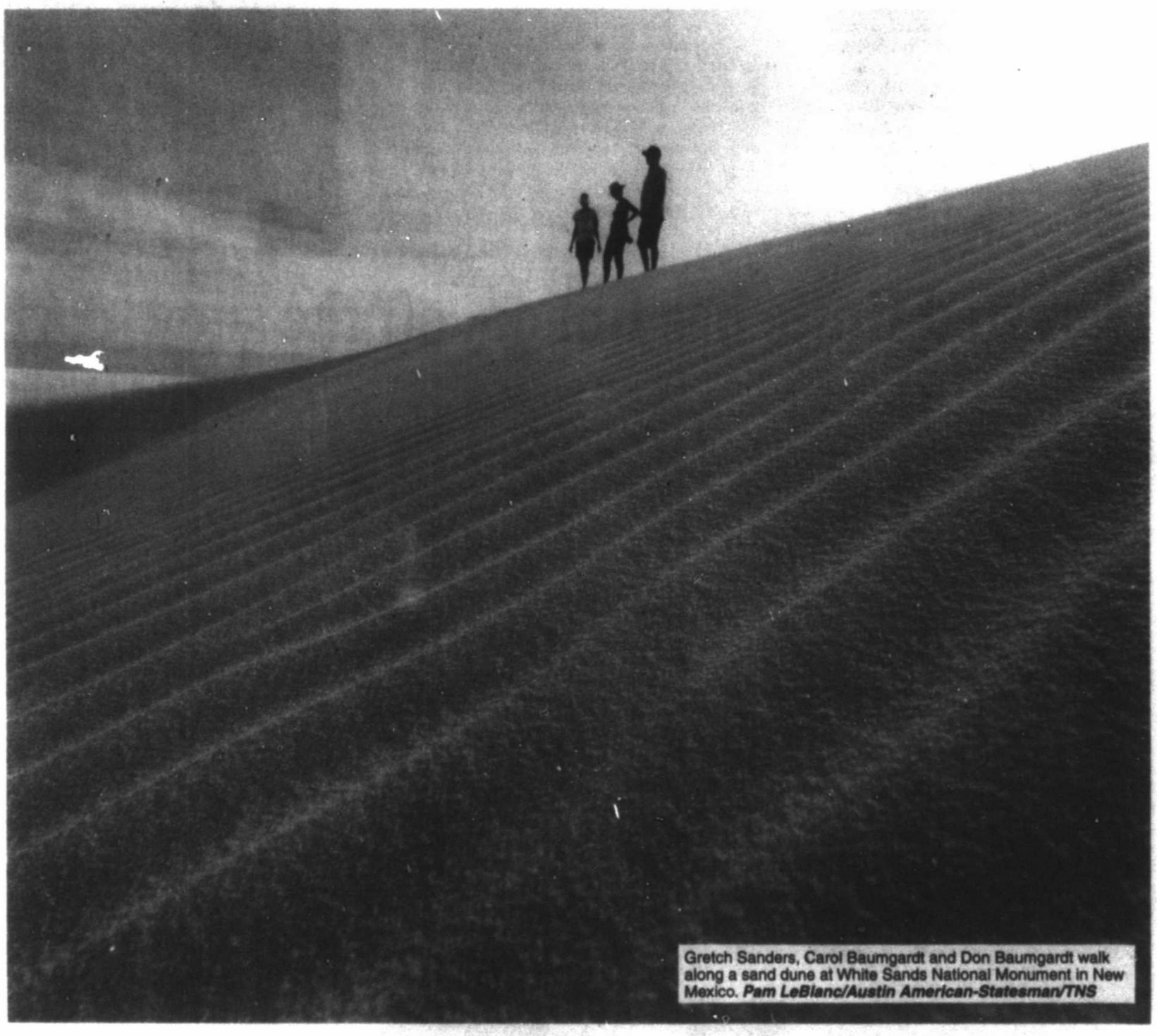
Take the time to explore the outbuildings on the property, including the lovely Las Milpas compound, which is available for rental.

Back in the car, we head to Ruidoso, stroll the main street, admire the chainsaw carvings at Grizzly's Workshop, poke our nose in shops and grab sandwiches before driving toward Ski Apache. We park our car just outside the gates and strike out on the Crest Trail through the Lincoln National Forest. The forest swallows us instantly, and we're surrounded by groves of golden aspens and towering pines looking across a valley toward the ski area.

The next day, we check out of the hotel early and hit the road again. First stop? Capitan, home of the Smokey Bear Historical Park, where we learn all about the little cub found singed and clinging to a tree during a forest fire here in 1950.

That bear became the living message of a national campaign to prevent forest fires, a message that remains important today, said park manager Bennie Long, chief of the Lincoln Fire Department and one of the first female firefighters in the area. We stroll through a small garden, snap pictures with a Smokey Bear statue and pick up a few Smokey Bear trinkets at a small museum and gift shop in a log cabin next door.

Then we ramble on to Valley of Fires Recreation Area near Carrizozo, where we bound out of the car and stretch our legs on a trail that takes us past lava caves and collapsed gas bubbles along the buckling ripples of an ancient lava flow.



Gretch Sanders, Carol Baumgardt and Don Baumgardt walk along a sand dune at White Sands National Monument in New Mexico. *Pam LeBlanc/Austin American-Statesman/TNS*

"It's a great place to watch the cycle of nature take place. Each time you come back to the refuge, it's going to look different."

Chris Lesser, visitor services chief

Wheels rolling once more, we book it to San Antonio, a tiny town that prides itself as the birthplace of that pinnacle of New Mexico culinary artistry, the green chili cheeseburger.

Baumgardt and his wife, Carol, nab one burger from the Buckhorn Tavern and another from the Owl Cafe. We cut them in quarters and dig in, determined to pick the best one. In a split decision, the Owl's burger — a smaller but much spicier version — wins. We mosey into the neon-lit restaurant and order another round.

Thus fortified, we forge on, Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge in our sights. In the cold months, the refuge flutters with migrating birds including sandhill cranes, eagles and snowgeese.

We're lucky; the sandhill cranes are trickling in now. The 4-foot gray creatures, which have red foreheads and white cheeks, fly more than 3,000 miles from Alaska to winter here each year and attract photographers who perch on decks to snap their picture. The refuge itself, which covers more than 57,000 acres, features more than 100 individual wetlands that are periodically flooded to provide habitat for the inhabitants.

"It's a great place to watch the cycle of nature take place," said Chris Lesser, visitor services chief. "Each time you come back to the refuge, it's going to look different."

From there, it's on to Truth or Consequences, a funky little town that famously traded its original name of Hot Springs for the name of a game show in the 1950s. They should have kept the old name, because the springs are what make this a town worth stopping to explore.

We check into the Riverbend Hot Springs, which used to operate as a bait shop, then became a hostel, and since has evolved into a quirkily charming resort alongside the Rio Grande. Quick as we can, we change into swimsuits and ease into the stone-lined, spring-fed tubs, twiddling our toes in the piping hot water, watching the stars pop out and listening to the coyotes yap.

We take another dip in the tubs the following morning before piling back into the car for the drive past fields of pecans, cotton and chili peppers on our way to Las Cruces. When we pass the exit signs for Hatch, I can't help but think of the pepper roasters that appear in front of grocery stores in Austin in late summer.

We drop our bags at the Hotel Encanto (lovely lobby!) and continue on to the historic Mesilla section of town for a plate of enchiladas at La Posta, which is housed in the old Butterfield Stage Building. Then it's on to the Chile Pepper Institute at New Mexico State University, where program specialist Adan Delval teaches us a thing or two about the state's favorite crop.

We unwind back at the hotel, resting up for the grand finale the next day, a mountain bike tour of Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument.

In the morning, we climb onto mountain bikes from Crazy Cat Cyclery and speed down a portion of the beginner-friendly Sierra Vista Trail. It weaves through rolling acres of cactus in the dusky blue shadow of mountain. I spook a jackrabbit as I spin down the trail, and at the midway point we all dismount and flop onto the ground for an impromptu siesta.

"You can ride all year round here," said Baumgardt, whose GeoBetty Tours leads hiking and biking tours all through the region. "There's a lot of open space to ride without a lot of people riding it."

Devon Balet, a Colorado-based photographer who has joined us for the ride, concurs.

"I was most surprised by the mountains and how rugged they are," Balet said. "I was blown away by the terrain — it's unexpected. The riding is way better than most people expect. I'm really enjoying the riding here — it's technical and it's challenging."

Our souls revived, we wrap our trip with a stop at the Bowie Bakery in downtown, then head to the airport for the trip back to reality.

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Strawberry Park Hot Springs

SPRINGS

From 1C

"People like to soak after an adventure," said Deborah Frazier, author of "Colorado's Hot Springs." "They're a great tonic after a terribly physically fit day."

With the creation of its tourism initiative, the Colorado Historic Hot Springs Loop, the Rocky Mountain state has made it easy to plan a hot-springs visit, whether it's following an adventure or as a stand-alone trip. The 722-mile scenic route features hot springs in five regions of Western Colorado, each with its own culture and vibe. Some soaks are serene, set under the stars, while others are lively, with waterslides and Marco Polo players.

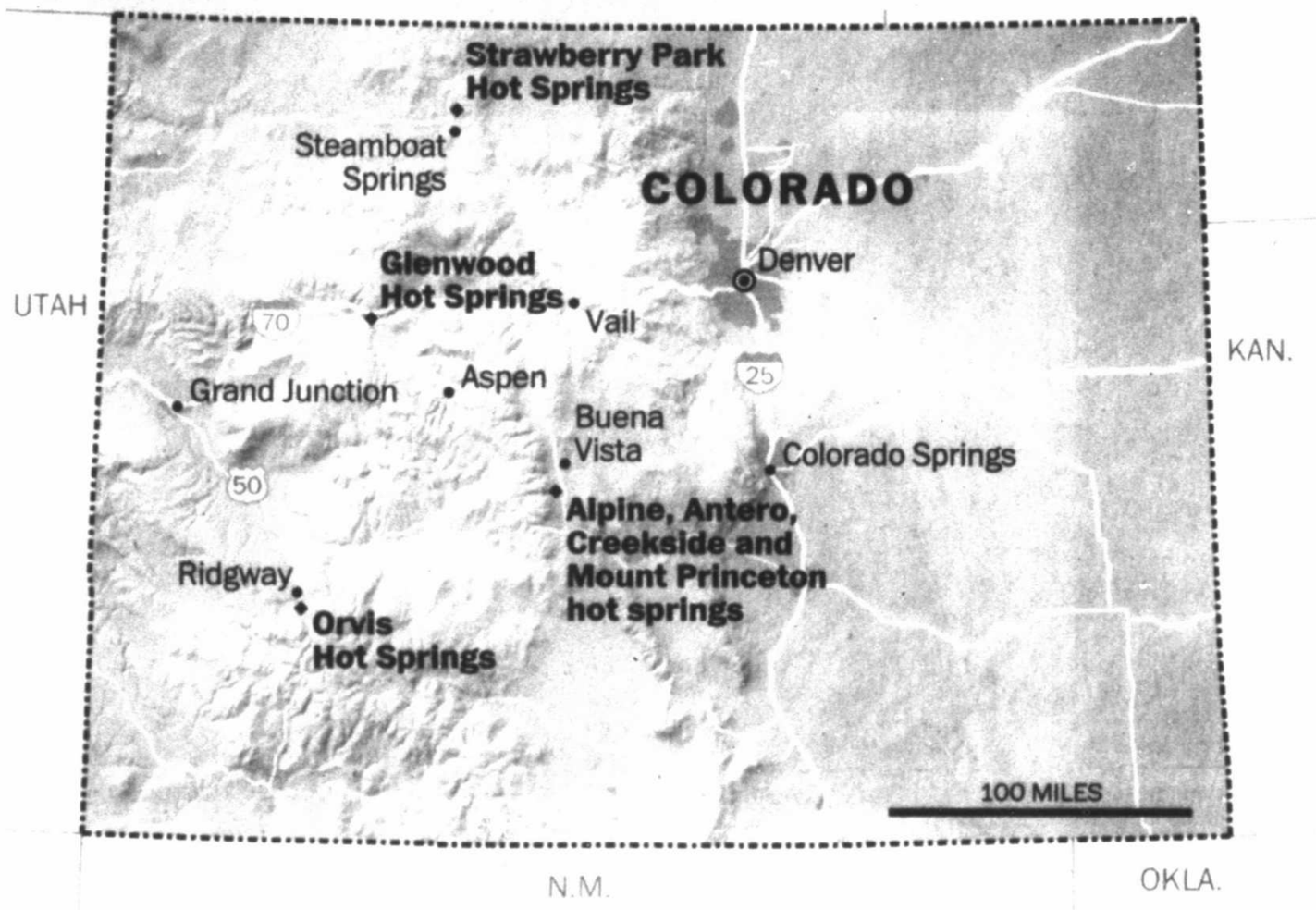
Hot springs are linked to claims of therapeutic benefits from their geothermally heated groundwater and all-but guarantee that you'll leave rejuvenated and free of stress. As locals explain, members of the Ute Indian Tribe would travel for days to reach what they considered to be miracle waters; some springs are still used for ceremonial purposes.

Colorado has hundreds of hot springs, Frazier said, but only 93 are large enough for a soak and 46 are accessible to the public year-round. Of those, 19 are in the loop, which makes a circle though five areas: Chaffee County, Pagosa Springs, Ouray County, Glenwood Springs and Steamboat Springs. Many are surrounded by national forests or wilderness areas, and all are near ski destinations and hiking trails, making them perfectly situated for relaxing after an active day.

Keep in mind that these 19, which all have a day-pass fee or resort fee, are fairly accessible by car compared with some other hot springs, which may require hikes. Among the most remote in the state: a free hot spring on public land known as Conundrum, which requires a 17-mile round-trip hike with 2,500 feet of elevation.

Hot springs come in various flavors, and with a little research, you'll find a good match. Many are located at resorts with full spa and dining services, but others are bare-bones.

Among the 19, many are family friendly. Glenwood Hot Springs Resort is located between Aspen and Vail on the Colorado River and claims to have the world's largest hot-springs pool — 405 feet long and 100 feet wide. At 90 degrees, it's warm for swimming laps (I tried after kayaking) but heaven in the winter and — with two waterslides — a fun spot for kids.



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The Historic Bath House at Mount Princeton Hot Springs Resort, just south of Buena Vista, also caters to kids, with a 400-foot waterslide, a big outdoor fireplace and a 90-degree exercise pool. The resort also has a soaking pool, kept at 105 degrees, and creekside hot springs, a more private option where you can enjoy starlight soaks.

For utter privacy during your soak, head to Chaffee County, which includes Buena Vista, Nathrop and Salida, and runs along the Continental Divide. Here, you will discover three of the most secluded hot springs open to the public: Alpine Hot Springs Hideaway, a vacation home surrounded by ponderosa pines and the Chalk Cliffs; Antero Hot Springs, with two log cabins and a larger mountain chalet, all with private soaking tubs; and Creekside Hot Springs cabin and soaking pool, both of which can accommodate eight.

You'll find more traditional clothing-optional soaking at Orvis Hot Springs in Ridgway, which has several ponds and waterfalls strategically positioned. The seven soaking areas range in temperature: the "Lobster Pot" averages between 108 and 114 degrees. Four of the areas are outside, so you can enjoy views of soaring Mount Sneffels as you soak.

A few Colorado friends agreed that Strawberry Park Hot Springs, just outside Steamboat Springs — and adults-only after dark — is among the favorites for what one pal calls "textile-free" soaks. It's also a good option if you prefer a tub rather than a swimming pool.

The setting is rustic, and you can choose from a number of pools, moving around until you find one you like. An icy cold creek on the opposite side of a rock wall can be refreshing after a hot soak.

Before May and after November, you'll need a vehicle with four-wheel drive and snow tires to reach Strawberry Park, and they only accept cash and checks for payment. It's on the list for my next visit. There, visitors can take the plunge with something called Watsu aquatic therapy. My own private massage therapist in a hot spring? Sounds like a fine way to end every physically exhausting day.

Want to go?

The Colorado Historic Hot Springs Loop is a circle of 19 hot springs along 720 miles of Colorado Scenic Byways in the western part of the state. The springs are in five resort areas, and hitting every spot on the loop would take around a week or more. The hot springs range from aquatic centers, like Salida Hot Springs Pool, to rustic and intimate spots, like Strawberry Park Hot Springs. Many are surrounded by national forests or wilderness areas, and all are near ski destinations and hiking trails. A map of the loop and details on each of the hot springs can be found at colorado.com/hotspringsloop. For more information, email cohotspringsloop@gmail.com.

SLOPES

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That love also makes them good at what they do. Avalanche dogs eagerly track scent and know how to find victims buried beneath the snow, and training involves lots of pats and enthusiastic approval from their handlers.

"It's natural for them," Williams said. "They want to search stuff up and find it."

Even if the slopes weren't coated in snow, which they are this year, visitors would have reason to come to Crested Butte. This town embraces the wacky, the unusual and the musical, just like Austin. It hosts costume-clad female arm wrestling, the Fat Bike World Championships and CB Unplugged, a free concert series that features indie-folk pop band the Shook Twins on Feb. 11. You can ride a zip-line or eat dinner in a yurt, too.

But snow makes everything better, whether you take a snowcat driving class (which I've done, quickly learning that grooming snow takes more skill than mowing a yard), climb aboard a sleigh or hop on a snowmobile tour. The Big Gay Ski Trip is set for Feb. 9-12, and a special Mardi Gras party is planned for Feb. 28.

Crested Butte boasts great restaurants, too, and not just The Slogar, the famous family-style eatery where diners gobble up platters of fried chicken, mashed potatoes, coleslaw, biscuits and creamed corn.

On the mountain, skiers gather beneath the friendly flaps of the Umbrella Bar at Ten Peaks, or belly up to a bar made of ice outside of the cozily upscale Uley's Cabin. Reserve time to go old-school after a day of skiing and hang out at the Avalanche next to the base.

In town, Soupcon has earned a reputation for its fine dining options, along with Thai- and Indian-inspired Ginger Cafe, American-style Django's, and affordable and delicious Ryce Asian Bistro. My favorite discovery this time? The Dogwood, a cozy log cabin in town that serves up unusual (and delicious) hand-crafted cocktails made with an eclectic assortment of ingredients including beets, butternut squash, lavender and basil.

Honestly, though, it's all about the mountain for me.

And Crested Butte's got one that makes it worth getting up early.

By Tribune Content Agency



Tom Stillo/Associated Press

Christian Robertson flies through the air while snowboarding in the backcountry terrain of Irwin, Colo., in this undated photo.

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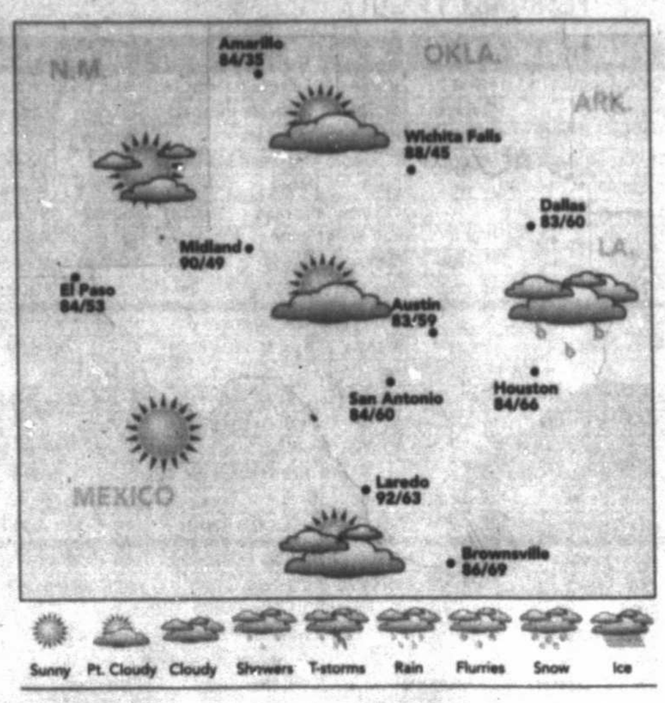
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Local forecast

After reporting a record high temperature of 85 degrees on Friday, the National Weather Service is calling for another record high today. In fact, this could be the earliest in a year the high temperature has reached 90 degrees or above in Midland's recorded history.

After today, expect drastic change. The NWS is expecting a 36-degree change in the high temperature on Sunday. On Monday, the high temperature dips even lower — to 39 degrees. On Sunday, expect wind gusts of 35 mph and a 50 percent chance of rain.

Until Friday, the record high for Feb. 10 was 84, set in 1976. The record low is 5, set in 2011. On Feb. 10 of last year, the high was 75 and the low was 30.



Precipitation

Thursday	0.00 in.
Friday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.00 in.
Year total	1.12 in.
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Friday's temperatures

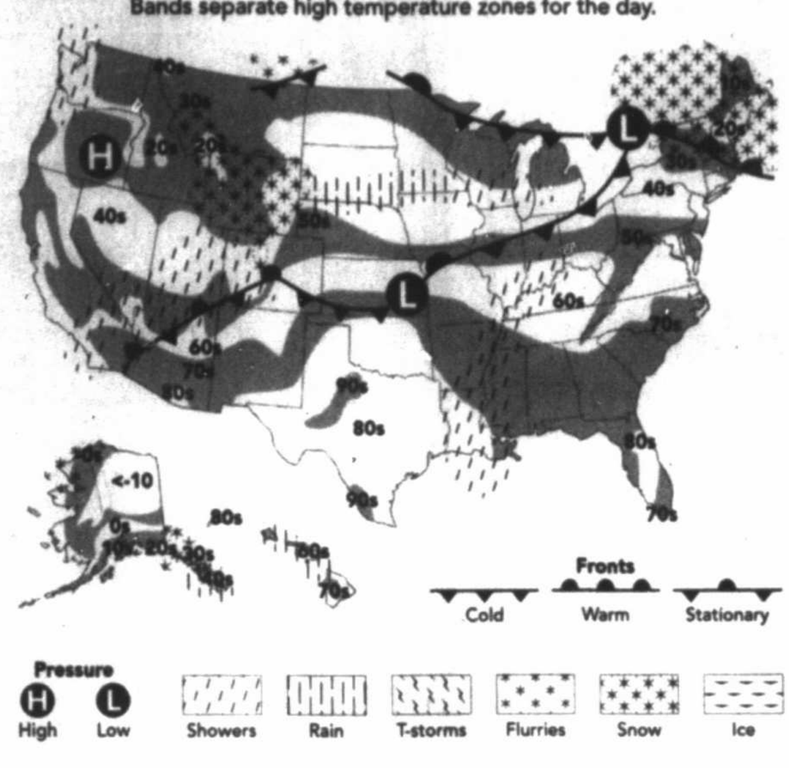
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Normal low	33
Sunrise	7:34 a.m.
Sunset	6:32 p.m.

National weather

AccuWeather.com

Forecast for Saturday, February 11, 2017

Bands separate high temperature zones for the day.



Weather brief

Winter storm leaves more than foot of snow in many areas

BOSTON — East Longmeadow got the most snow of any community in Massachusetts during this week's storm.

The National Weather Service reports that the Hampden County town received 19 inches.

Teen in a rut hunts for ways to spice up a boring life

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: My life is boring, repetitive and I am often depressed. I have trouble talking to others, which makes things harder. Every day is the same: Get up, go to a long day of school, come home, do homework, play video games, draw, go to bed.

The weekends aren't much better. My family never does anything, we never go anywhere. I don't have friends (the one I'd consider hanging out with is always busy), and at 15, I can't drive anywhere, get a job or do anything on my own for another year. I have never kissed, dated or even had a crush on anyone (I'm not sure why, it's not like I'm gay or too embarrassed), so I haven't got much to talk about with my peers anyway.

I'm alone. I'm not popular. I'm a complete nerd and I'm afraid to tell others what I enjoy. If I tell anyone I like video games and Dungeons and Dragons, I know I'll be mocked for the next few years of my life.

I'm pretty smart and I do well in school, but I'm not good at much else. My social skills are borderline nonexistent. My entire life is school. I just want some attention, some friends, something to do with my life. I need help, some advice, something, ANYthing! — BORING LIFE IN WISCONSIN

DEAR BORING LIFE: Having never met you, I can't surmise why you have difficulty interacting with others. However, there is nothing wrong with playing video games unless you substitute them for real-life experiences.

Surely, there are activities at your school that you could join that would give you more contact with your peers — sports and special interest clubs, such as art, come immediately to mind. If your family belongs to a church, there may be a youth group that would welcome you.

If you need suggestions for finding an activity at school that might be a good "fit," talk to a counselor there. Explain how depressed and isolated you're feeling and ask for help. The squeaky wheel gets the grease.

And remember, things will change when you turn 16 and can drive and work.

DEAR ABBY: Many times, my co-workers make grammatical and punctuation errors in emails they send (both internal and external) or misuse words on conference calls. Is it in bad taste to mention to the individuals their misuse of the word "there" versus "their" or "your" versus "you're"? One of the most common spoken grammatical mistakes is, "I seen it" instead of "I've seen" or "I saw." I am not sure if they would appreciate knowing they are misusing words or if they might become offended. — HELPFUL IN FLORIDA

DEAR HELPFUL: If you see a co-worker consistently make grammatical errors, it would be doing the person a favor to point it out — once or twice — in private. However, to continually harp on it would likely cause embarrassment, come across as one-upmanship and cause resentment. The same is true about errors that are spoken.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Bidding Quiz

Q 1 — Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ 10 9 5 3 2 ♡ K J ♢ K Q 4 ♣ A Q 10

As dealer, what call would you make?

Q 2 — North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ A 8 5 4 ♡ 4 ♢ A Q J 7 ♣ K J 10 2

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
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What call would you make?

Q 3 — East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ A Q ♡ K 10 ♢ K Q J 9 6

♣ K Q 10 5

As dealer, what call would you make?

Q 4 — Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♠ 2 ♡ A Q 8 7 ♢ K J 6 2 ♣ 8 6 5 2

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
2♣*	Dbl	4♣	?

*Weak two-bid

What call would you make?

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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 Saturday, Feb. 11, 2016:

This year you feel as if you will be able to change the basis of an important relationship. You will make it clear where you are coming from. Others often will have to make choices now that they know you better. You will pursue an interest or do some traveling. If you are single, your interests and diverse personality attract many different people. You need to decide what type of relationship you desire. If you are attached, your in-laws could play a more significant role than in the past. Be more open with your sweetie. VIRGO can be picky and challenging.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You could be slowing down some after a recent surge of activity. You finally might be able to iron out a problem that appears in your daily life and is dragging you down. Your ability to relate to others is high, but your drive to relate might be low. Tonight: Call it a night.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ You could be less sure of yourself yet more childlike than you have been in quite a while. Reach out to a loved one in a welcoming way. This person might feel more caring and upbeat than he or she has in a long time. Take advantage of the moment. Tonight: Nurture a romance.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ Be willing to call a spade a spade. Someone close to you might be testing you. You are likely to feel scrutinized. Loosen up and make plans that please you as well. Don't feel as if you must always honor someone else's constraints. Tonight: In the whirlwind of the moment.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ You'll hit extremes and might be left wondering whether you can stabilize your moods and emotions. You are a sign that is ruled by the Moon, and you will feel the effects of today's Full Moon. You are up and down. Use care with spending. Tonight: Hang out at home.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ Remain more sensitive to your options. You could feel as if everyone is pushing you very hard to get his or her way. Your need to be more concerned about a loved one. You will see a difference in how this person behaves. Tonight: Curb a need to be possessive.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ You could be feeling your Wheaties and might be enjoying yourself to the max. How you handle a personal situation depends on what time someone approaches you, or vice versa. The later, the better. A conversation needs to be authentic. Tonight: Allow others to see the real you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ Someone can be quite whimsical in his or her word choice and description of what he or she needs. Answer to a loved one, and question what needs to happen. Much of what you discuss at present is best kept hush-hush. Tonight: Take a break from your routine.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ You could be feeling more together than you have as of late. You also are less likely to make a scene about how to approach a difficult misunderstanding. Your ability to relax and grow soars right now. Share more of your ideas with others. Tonight: Let the fun begin.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ How you handle an intense situation in the morning could determine the nature of the rest of the day. You might feel empowered if you handle the first issue well. As a result, you can breeze through your plans bypassing any hassles. Tonight: Where the crowds can be found.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ While others might not be able to deal with all the responsibilities of everyday life, you can. Your need to communicate emerges, and you'll feel much better once you have cleared your mind. Approach a friend who lives at a distance with care. Tonight: In the limelight.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Keep reaching out to a dear friend. This person keeps tossing new information into the mix. You might not know which way to go. Lady Luck is on your shoulder, so trust that you will make a good choice, especially after you have a conversation. Tonight: Let the good times roll.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Your ability to encourage others to take small risks from time to time emerges. A partner might seem stressed out and as if he or she needs to clear up a problem. Understanding evolves between you and this person. Be open to the possibilities. Tonight: Keep it fun and light.

BORN TODAY

Inventor Thomas Edison (1847), actor Burt Reynolds (1936), singer/songwriter Sheryl Crow (1962)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Bar line
11 They're sometimes black
14 Question at an alumni gathering
15 Word with leg or elbow
17 "Looking at all sides ... "
18 Real estate unit
19 Tijuana addr.
20 Nada : Nogales :: __ : Reims
21 Phone user
23 County in Ulster
25 Some broken pegs, or where they're found
27 Multi-purpose shortening
28 Cooler tenant
29 Crew tools
30 4-Down in France
31 Cooler tenant
34 Pot addition
35 Patriot target
36 Went berserk
38 Sushi bar appetizer
40 "... crafty seer, with __ wand": Pope
41 "__ Yankees"
43 Feet in a meter?
44 Title of respect, in Tokyo
45 Bug zappers?
46 Ed. basics
47 "Major Crimes" network
48 Green Smoke product
49 Misbehaves
53 Take back
55 Mark for good
57 Old televangelism letters
58 Second-largest Middle East country
59 Wipe out
62 Scrapple ingredient
63 "That'll never work!"
64 Waves home
65 Cell notice

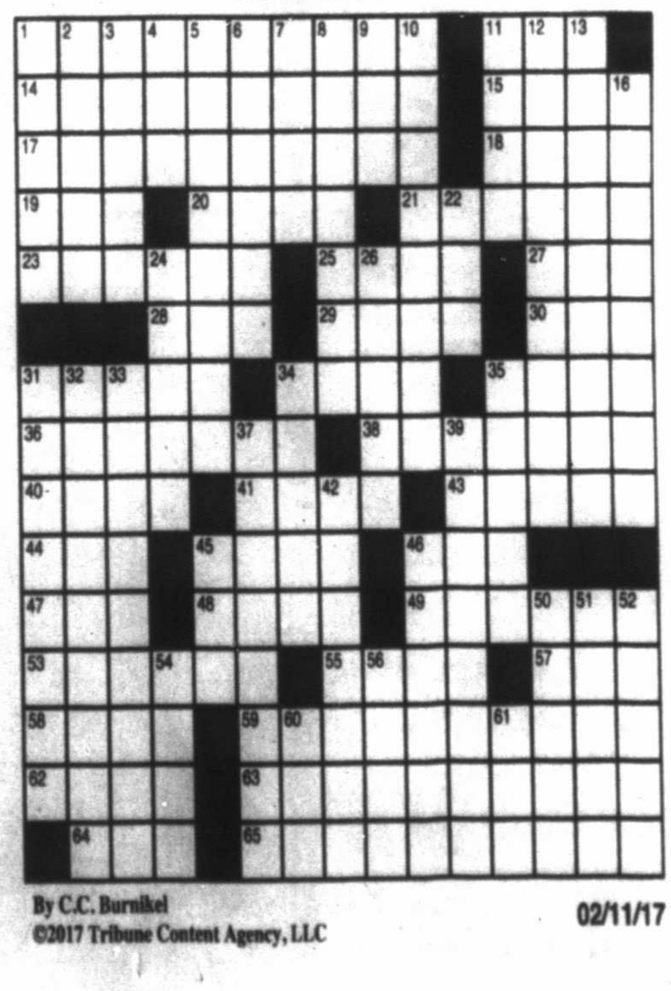
DOWN

1 Slap spot
2 Edsel's father
3 "Making AIDS History" org.
4 30-Across in America
5 Brand in many a Moscow mule
6 "The Barefoot Contessa" Oscar winner Edmond
7 Island goose
8 1776 battleground
9 Morning hrs.
10 Bugged
11 Like some wills
12 Poker telecast equipment
13 Metaphor for obvious protrusion
16 Car in a King title
22 Biblical beast
24 Waves home
26 All gone
31 Busy Las Vegas area
32 They're high on the Scoville scale
33 "Whatever"
34 Arcade giant
35 Sting
37 "Well, well!"
39 Carrier to Beijing
42 Fuchsia cousin
45 Pommes frites seasoning
46 Weisz of "The Constant Gardener"
50 Soil mover
51 Absolute
52 Kilt fold
54 "My Way" lyricist
56 Arboreal Amazon monkey
60 Georges, par exemple
61 Tiny, in a tiny way

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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	G	S	R	C	W	6 AM	6:30	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Wildk.	House	GMA Saturday		Wild C.	Ocean	S.Rescue	Wildlife D	Rock Park	Outback	Family	Mr. Box
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	CBS This Morning Saturday (N)				Luckyb.	Dr.Chris	Innovate	Inspect	Chicken	OpenRoad	Golf	NCAA (N)
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	The Little Rascals		Track	Track	Have Gun	Have Gun	Maverick		Wagon Train		Big Valley	"The Prize"
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Raceweek	Paid	Politics	Aqua Kid	Weird	Outdoors	Weekend Marketplace		Tip-Off	NCAA Basketball (L)		
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Southwest	"Part 2"	Creation	Consumed	Mani E	Faith	News	Hebrew	Camino	Jerusalem	Z. Levitt	Zion
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	(6:30)FarmR	Minute	Saturday Today (N)			Champ	Voyage	WildVet	Journey	Natural	Give (N)	Soccer
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	D.Tiger	Caillou	SplashB.	C.George	Cat	Bob Build	Speaks	O. Squad	Lidia	Meals	Baking	House
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Mercury	Pagado	Pocoyo	Amigos	Mickey	Mickey	Handy	Handy	Mercury	El rancho	Peq Pony	Peq Pony
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		(4:00) Jewelry TV		Brain	Dog Town	E. Wild	Hatched	Ocean M.	RecRehab	Into Wild	J. Hanna	RawTrav.	A.Athlete
FLIX	340	575		165		Movie	(5:50) ★★★ The Bear Bart Douce.					★★ Ticker Tom Stemmle.		(:05) ★★★ Shoppin' Steve Martin.			
HBO	300	550	14	14		Movie	★★ Fly Me to the Moon			Sesame	Sesame	★★ Snow Dogs		(:45) ★ Tashi & the ...		★ 42	
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	(6:20) ★★ Now You See Me 2				★★★ Minority Report ('02, Sci-Fi) Tom Cruise.				Real Sports		Bill Maher	
HBO3	304	552	16	102		(6:20) ★★ Paradise Ro...		(:20) ★★ Cold Mountain ('03, Rom) Jude Law, Nicole Kidman.						★ Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice			
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(6:35) ★★★ 9		(:55) ★★ Max Payne ('08, Action) Mila Kunis, Beau Bridges, Mark Wahlberg.						★ A Beautiful Mind			
MAX2	382	558	18	122		(5:45) ★★ The Rose ('79, Dra) Bette Midler.				(:05) ★ We Are Your Friends		(:45) ★★ Tropic Thunder Ben Stiller.				Movie	
PLEX			96			(5:40) ★ Beethoven's...		(:15) ★ Beethoven's 5th				(:45) ★ Beethoven's Big Break				(:25) ★ Beethoven's Christmas...	
SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	(5:30) ★ Jimmy Ves...		Inside the NFL		60 Minutes Sports		★★ Domestic Disturbance		★★ What Women Want			
TMC	336	573	22	155	26	Movie	(:45) ★ Kelly's Hollywood			(:10) ★ ★ Pride ('07, Dra) Terrence Howard.				(:10) ★★ Rocky Balboa Sylvester Stallone.			
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	Flipping Vegas		Flipping Vegas		Flipping Vegas		Zombie House Flip.		Zombie House Flip.		Nightwatch	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	Dead "Crossed"		Dead "Coda"		HUMANS (:05) Dead		(:05) Dead "Them"		(:05) Walking Dead		(:05) Walking Dead	
BET	58	-		40		Campmeeting		Payne	(:35) Payne	(:10) Payne	(:50) Payne	(:25) Being Mary "Getting Real"		(:25) Being Mary Jane		Movie	
BRAVO	65	76		41		Top Chef		To Be Announced		Imposters		Ladies of London		Summer House		Summer House	
CNBC	46	52		39	72	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	EPL Soccer Middlesbrough at Everton (L)				Paid	Paid
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	New Day Saturday		New Day Saturday		Smerconish		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	(5:30) Sonic Sea		Telescope		MythBusters		MythBusters		MythBusters		MythBusters	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Stuffins	Lion Guard	Mickey	Mickey	Elena	Zhu Zhu	Gravity	StarEvil	StuckMid	StuckMid	★★★★ Cars	
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter				College Gameday (L)		NCAA Basketball (L)	
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	NFL Live		J & J	Outside the Lines		30 for 30	"This Was the XFL"		SportsCenter		NCAA Basketball (L)	
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	(5:00) FOX & Friends Saturday						America's News HQ				Bull Bear	Cavuto
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Pleasures	Top 5	Brunch	Heart	Rules	Pioneer	Pioneer	Southern	The Kitchen (N)		Cooking	Giada
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	Young	★★ Save the Last Dance ('00, Dra) Julia Stiles.					(:10) ★★ Hitch ('05, Com) Eva Mendes, Will Smith.				Movie	
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	NCAA Gymnast.	Perfect 10 Challenge Aub./OKL			SnowM	Inside	Paid	Paid	Champions Champions Showdown			
FX	31	56	59	64	69	Ellen	Ellen	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	2½Men	2½Men	2½Men	2½Men	★ Pompeii	
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	Lucy	I Love Lucy	Middle	Middle	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	★ Valentine Ever After William Baldwin.			
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	FlipHop	FlipHop	FlipHop	FlipHop	FlipHop	FlipHop	FlipHop	FlipHop	FlipHop	FlipHop	Chicago	FlipHop
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Swamp People		Swamp People		Swamp People (N)		Swamp People (N)		Swamp People (N)		Swamp People	
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	The Rap Game		★ Walking the Halls	
MSNBC	47	53		49	73	MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live		AM Joy				MSNBC Live	
NBCSN	38	43				Live		(:25) EPL Soccer Hull City at Arsenal (L)			Live	(:55) EPL Soccer Watford vs Man Utd (L)				Live	Rugby
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	Regal A.	Sponge	Harajuku	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	P Ranger	Loud H.
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Paid Program		Paid Program		★★★ The Mummy ('99, Adv) Rachel Weisz, Brendan Fraser.						★ The Mummy Ret.	
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	(5:00) Paid Program		The Expanse "Static"		★ Cabin Fever: Patient Zero Sean Astin.				★ The Darkest Hour ('11, Act) Emile Hirsch.			
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	★★★ Fletch ('85, Com) Chevy Chase.				★★ Blades of Glory Will Ferrell.				★★ The Cable Guy ('96, Com) Jim Carrey.			
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	★★ The Green Goddess				★ Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?				★★★★ Gunfight at the O.K. Corral		Movie	
TELE	20	-	10	20		Pagado	Pagado	Noodle	Noodle	De chica	De chica	Nina's	Nina's	Pagado	Pagado	SOS: Salva mi casa	
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Yes Dress	Yes Dress
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	Law&O.	"Under God"	LawOrder	"Absentia"	Law & Order	"Burden"	Law & Order	"B*tch"	Law&O.	"Suicide Box"	Law&Order	"Genius"
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	(:10) Rose.	(:50) Rose.	(:25) Roseanne		Roseanne	(:35) Rose.	(:10) Rose.	(:50) Rose.	(:25) Roseanne		Roseanne	Roseanne
USA	26	55	42	27	49	Paid Program						★★ The Back-Up Plan ('10, Rom) Jennifer Lopez.				★ What to Expect...	
WGN	19	85				Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid			★★ Wild Wild West ('99, Act) Will Smith.		Home Videos		Home Videos	

SATURDAY AFTERNOON — FEBRUARY 11, 2017

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	G	S	R	C	W	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Y. Icons	Comics	World XGames (N)		Shall We Dance on Ice (N)				Paid	Paid	Big Game	News
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	NCAA Basketball Kentucky at Alabama (L)				PGA Golf AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am Site: Pebble Beach Golf Links (L)						TBA	News
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Gunsmoke		Bonanza		Bewitched		Wanted	Wanted	Rifleman	Rifleman	The Wild Wild West	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	(11:00) NCAA Basketb.		Hoops Ex		NCAA Basketball Villanova at Xavier (L)			Big East	World's Funniest		2½Men	2½Men
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	News		Walking	Aleph	S. Baras	Southwest "Part 1"		Southwest "Part 2"	Faith	Shepherd's Heart		Audra
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	(11:30) EPL Soccer (L)				FIS Alpine Skiing			USATF Track & Field Millrose Games			Stanton	News
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Texas		Old House	House	Motor.	Woodwri.	Darley	Wildern.	Explore	Explorer	Parks	News.
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	(11:00) Pequeños		Lanzate			Gonzalez	Guapos	Recuerda y gana		Como dice el dicho	Mi jefe	Noticiero
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Access Hollywood		Flipside	Spaces	Garden	Hazelton	For Life	For Life	Fam.Feud	Fam.Feud	Moms Ev.	Studio 7
FLIX	340	575		165		★★ Permanent Midnight				★★★ The Young Americans		(:15) ★★ Jersey Girl Ben Affleck.				★★★ Basquiat	
HBO	300	550	14	14		(11:30) ★★ Chadwick Boseman.				(:45) ★ The Huntsman: Winter's War				(:45) Solitary: Red Onion		(:15) ★ Ride Along 2	
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	★★★★ Matchstick Men Nicolas Cage.				(:55) ★★ The Young Pope		(:25) ★ Brooklyn Saoirse Ronan.				(:20) ★★★ Joy Jennifer Lawrence.	
HBO3	304	552	16	102		Movie		(:35) The Young Pope		(:25) The Young Pope		(:25) ★ Brooklyn Saoirse Ronan.				(:20) ★★★ Joy Jennifer Lawrence.	
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(11:00) ★ A Beautiflu...				(:20) ★ The Water Diviner Russell Crowe.				(:15) ★★★ Snow Angels Kate Beckinsale.		(:05) ★ The Man Wi...	
MAX2	382	558	18	122		(11:35) ★ Get Hard				(:20) ★★ Mr. Woodcock		(:50) ★★★ Leatherheads George Clooney.				(:45) ★ MI-5 Kit Harrington.	
PLEX			96			(:55) ★ The Snow Q...				(:15) ★★ Blue Chips ('94, Dra) Nick Nolte.				★★★ The Fortune Cookie		(:10) ★ The Glass ...	
SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	Movie		(:40) ★★ Southpaw ('15, Dra) Jake Gyllenhaal.						(:55) ★★★ No Country for Old Men		TRUMPED: Upset	
TMC	336	573	22	155	26	(:55) ★★★ Bobby Anthony Hopkins.						(:55) ★★★★ Gangs of New York Leonardo DiCaprio.				(:45) ★ Forsaken	
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	Nightwatch		Nightwatch		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(:05) Dead "Forget"		(:05) Dead "Spend"		(:10) Dead "Try"		(:10) Walking Dead "Conquer"		(:40) Fight (:45) Dead			
BET	58			40		(11:30) ★★ The Nutty Professor				Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	SoulTrain VDay (N)	
BRAVO	65	76		41		Vanderpump Rules		Vanderpump Rules		Beverly Hills		Beverly Hills		Beverly Hills		★ The School of ...	
CNBC	46	52		39	72	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		Smerconish	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	MythBusters: Search		MythBusters: Search		MythBusters: Search		What on Earth?		What on Earth?		What on Earth?	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	(11:00) ★ Cars		StuckMid	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Bizaard.	Bizaard.	Underc.	Underc.	Underc.	Bunk'd
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	(11:00) NCAA Basketb.		NCAA Basketball (L)						NCAA Basketball (L)		NCAA Basketball (L)	
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	(11:00) NCAA Basketb.		NCAA Basketball (L)						NCAA Basketball (L)		NCAA Basketball (L)	
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	Forbes	Cashin' In	America's News HQ		The Journal Editorial Report				America's News HQ			
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Kids Baking		WorstCooks		Chopped		Chopped		Chopped		Chopped	
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	(11:50) ★★ Life as We Know It Katherine Heigl.						★★★ The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part 1				(:10) ★ The Twiligh...	
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	Insider	Pre-game	NHL Hockey Carolina Hurricanes at Dallas Stars (L)					Stars Live	EuroMag	NCAA Basketball Bos./Ga.T. (L)		
FX	31	56	59	64	69	(11:00) ★★ Pompeii		★ Noah ('14, Drama) Jennifer Connelly, Emma Watson, Russell Crowe.								★★ World War Z ('13, Act) Brad Pitt.	
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	★ A Royal Winter ('17, Rom) Merritt Patterson.				★ The Wedding March Jack Wagner.				★ Appetite for Love ('16, Rom) Taylor Cole.			
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Property Brothers		Property Brothers		Property Brothers		Property Brothers		Property Brothers		Property Brothers	
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Detroit Steel		Detroit Steel		Counting	Counting	Counting	Counting	Counting	Counting	Counting Cars	
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	(11:00) ★ Walking L...		★ Forced Exposure Elisabeth Rohm.						★ Dirty Teacher ('13, Dra) Josie Davis.		★ High School Lover	
MSNBC	47	53		49	73	MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live		MSNBC Live		MSNBCDocumentary		MSNBCDocumentary	
NBCSN	38	43				(11:30) RFU Rugby				NCAA Basketball Mas./St. Jo. (L)				NCAA Basketball St. Bon./G.W. (L)			SpeedSkte
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	Loud H.	Loud H.	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Loud H.	Loud H.	Henry Danger		★ Rufus 2	
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	(11:00) ★★ The Mummy Returns				Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	★★★ Resident Evil: Retribution				★★ The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian Ben Barnes.						★ John Wick	
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	★ Anchorman: The Legend of Ron Burgun...				Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	2 Broke	2 Broke	2 Broke	2 Broke
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(11:45) ★★★ A Guy Named Joe				★★★ Gypsy ('62, Mus) Natalie Wood, Rosalind Russell.						★ Hail the Congu...	
TELE	20	-	10	20		Siempre niños				★★ Raeido y Furioso Paul Walker.				Verdaderas Mujer		Conducta	Noticias
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	★★★ U.S. Marshals ('98, Act) Wesley Snipes.						★★★ The Next Three Days ('10, Dra) Russell Crowe.				★★ Limitless	
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
USA	26	55	42	27	49	(11:00) ★ What to Expect Whe...				★★★ Easy A ('10, Com) Emma Stone.				★★ Little Fockers ('10, Com) Ben Stiller.		Movie	
WGN	19	85				Home Videos				★★ A Knight's Tale ('01, Adv) Mark Addy, Heath Ledger.				BlueB. "Loose Lips"		Blue Bloods	

SATURDAY PRIME TIME — FEBRUARY 11, 2017

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	G	S	R	C	W	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Count-down (L)	NBA Basketball Golden State Warriors at Oklahoma City Thunder Site: Chesapeake Energy Arena (L)					Local 2 News/ 10	(:05) Extra Weekend		(:05) Am.Ninja
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	To Be Announced		Ransom "Celina" (N)		48 Hours		48 Hours		CBS 7 News	(:35) Elementary		(:35) P. Interest
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	The Incredible Hulk "Fallen Angels"		Wonder Woman		Star Trek "The Lights of Zetar"		★★ Godzilla Raids Again ('55, Sci-Fi) Setsuko Wakayama, Hiroshi Kolzumi.			Batman	Batman	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	24: Legacy "12:00 Noon -1:00 PM"		APB "Hard Reset"		Modern Family	Modern Family	Hell's Kitchen "Tequila Shots?"		Paid Program	The List
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	HaYesod	Rabbi Rantz	Update News	Aleph Course	Light of the Southwest "Part 1"		Light of the Southwest "Part 2"		Fruits of Zion	Hidden/ Hebrew	Someb-ody Cares	Cons-umed
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	News-West 9	Country Reporter	Dateline NBC Investigative features are covered.				Saturday Night Live		NewsWe-st 9 at 10	Saturday Night Live Alec Baldwin; Ed Sheeran. (N)		
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	History Detectives		Song of the Mountains		Front and Center "The Cadillac Three"		Music City Roots		Austin City Limits (N)		Lower-town Line	Backs-tage Pass
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Crónicas de Sabado		(:55) MFL Fútbol UNAM at Monterrey Site: Estadio Tecnologico – Monterrey, Mexico (L)				(:55) MFL Fútbol Puebla at Club América Site: Estadio Azteca – Mexico City, Mexico (L)				Durmiendo a mi jefe	Noticiero Univision
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Last Man	Last Man	Castle		CSI: Miami		Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Anger M.	Anger M.	Major Crimes	
FLIX	340	575		165		(5:00) ★ Basquiat		★★★ Traffic ('00, Dra) Michael Douglas.						★★ Tears of the Sun Bruce Willis.			Movie
HBO	300	550	14	14		(5:15) ★ Ride Along 2		★ Central Intelligence		(:50) Pete Holmes		(:50) The Young Pope		(:50) ★ The Young Pope		★ Central Intelligence	
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	Girls	Girls	★★★ Unbreakable				(:50) ★ Straight"Outta Compton O'Shea Jackson Jr...				(:20) ★★★ Friday	
HBO3	304	552	16	102		Movie	(:25) ★ Cop Car Hays Wellford.					★★★ Deadpool ('16, Act) Ryan Reynolds.				★ Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice	
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	Movie	Movie	★★★ Maze Runner: The Scord: Trials				(:15) ★ Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix				Movie	
MAX2	382	558	18	122		Movie	★★★ Shoot 'Em Up					★★ Mission: Impossible II Tom Cruise.		(:05) ★ Harold & Kumar Esca...		Movie	
PLEX			96			(5:10) ★ The Glass ...		★★★ Fat Man and Little Boy						(:10) ★★★ The Great Escape ('63, War) Steve McQueen.			
SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	(5:00) TRUMPED		★ Triple 9 ('16, Cri) Casey Affleck.						★ Fifty Shades of Black		(:35) ★★ Southpaw	
TMC	336	573	22	155	26	(:15) ★★ Rocky Balboa Sylvester Stallone.						★ The Day Shawn Ashmore.		★ Unnatural James Remar.		★ The Day	
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	The First 48		The First 48		Live PD						The First 48: Twists	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(:15) Dead "55"		(:15) Walking Dead		(:15) Dead "Here's Not Here"		(:45) Dead "Now"		(:45) Walking Dead		(:45) Dead	
BET	58	-		40		(5:00) SoulTrainVal (N)		★ Beyond the Lights ('14, Dra) Gugu Mbatha-Raw.						A Very Soul Train Valentine's Day		Being	
BRAVO	65	76		41		(5:00) ★ The School of Rock				★★★ Mean Girls Lindsay Lohan.				★★★ Mean Girls Lindsay Lohan.		Movie	
CNBC	46	52		39	72	CelApprentice	"I'm Going Full Ballmer" (N)			Undercover Boss		Undercover Boss		Boss "Forman Mills"		Undercover Boss	
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	CNN Newsroom		History of Comedy		The Seventies		The Seventies		The Seventies		The Seventies	
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ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	(5:00) NCAA Basket. (L)		Gameday (5:15) NCAA Basketball (L)				(:15) SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	(5:00) NCAA Basket. (L)		NCAA Basketball S.C./MS St. (L)				NCAA Basketball (L)		Nzinga at St. Mary's (L)		E:60Pics	Basketb.
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FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Chopped		Chopped		Chopped		Chopped		Chopped		Chopped	
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	(5:10) ★ The Twilight Saga: Br...		(:50) ★★★ Grease ('78, Mus) Olivia Newton-John, John Travolta.								★★★ What's Your Number?	
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	Basketball	UEFAMag.	Mavricks	Mavs Pre	NBA Basketball Orlando Magic at Dallas Mavericks (L)				Maverick		Championship Spot.	
FX	31	56	59	64	69	Movie	★ Transformers: Age of Extinction ('14, Act) Nicola Peltz, Mark Wahlberg.							24: Legacy (N)		24: Legacy (N)	
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	★ Walking the Dog Jennifer Finnigan.				★ A Dash of Love ('17, Rom) Jen Lilley.				G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Property Brothers		Property Brothers		Property Brothers		Renovation		LogCabin	LogCabin	Property Brothers	
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Counting	CountCars	Counting	Counting	Count. (N)	Count. (N)	Count. (N)	Detroit Steel (N)	(:05) Count.	(:05) Count.	(:05) Count.	(:05) Count.
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	(5:00) ★ High School...		★ From Straight A's to XXX Haley Pullos.						★ The Perfect Stalker Danielle Savre.		★ From Straight ...	
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NBCSN	38	43				(5:30) ISU Speed Skate		FIS Freestyle Skiing World Cup		Red Bull Air Race "Abu Dhabi" (N)						Match of the Day (N)	
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	H.Danger	H.Danger	H.Danger	GShakers	Nicky (N)	Thunder	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Jail	Cops	★★★ Fast Five ('11, Act) Paul Walker, Vin Diesel.					
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	(5:00) ★ John Wick		★★★ Avatar ('09, Fantasy) Sam Worthington, Giovanni Ribisi, Zoe Saldana.						★★★ Underworld			
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	2 Broke	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	Frontal		★★ Godzilla Elizabeth Olsen.	
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(5:00) ★ Hail the Co...		★★★ Rannsom Her Sisters				★★★★ A Hard Day's Night ('64)				★★★ Harvey	
TELE	20	-	10	20		Paid	★★★ Titanic ('97, Drama) Leonardo DiCaprio, Victor Garber, Kate Winslet.							Titulares	Conducta	Decisiones extremas	
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	(:05) SayYes	(:05) SayYes	(:05) SayYes	(:05) SayYes
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	(5:00) ★★ Limitless		★★★ The Bourne Identity ('02, Act) Matt Damon.						★★★ The Bourne Supremacy		Movie	
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
USA	26	55	42	27	49	(5:30) ★★ Miss Congeniality		★★★ The Proposal ('09, Com) Sandra Bullock.						Colony		Suits	
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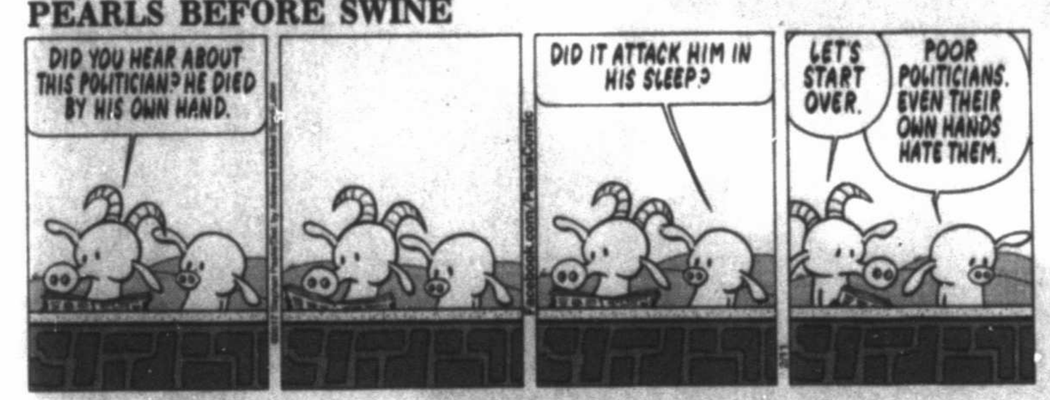
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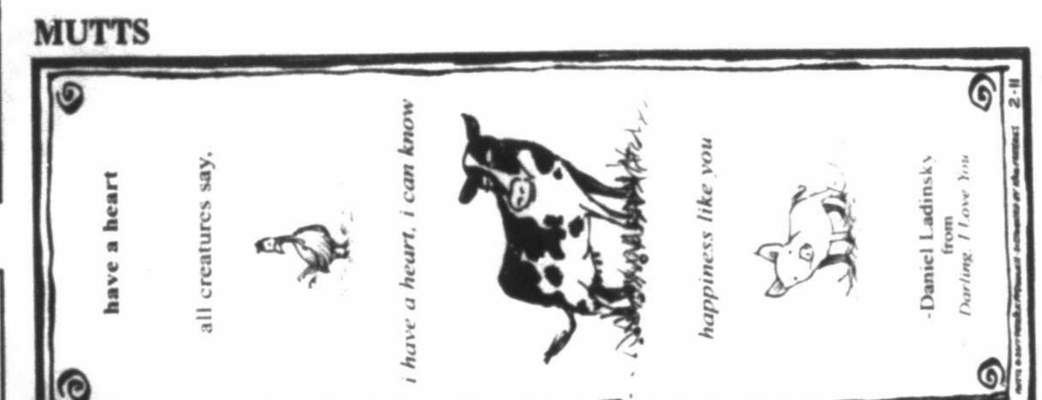
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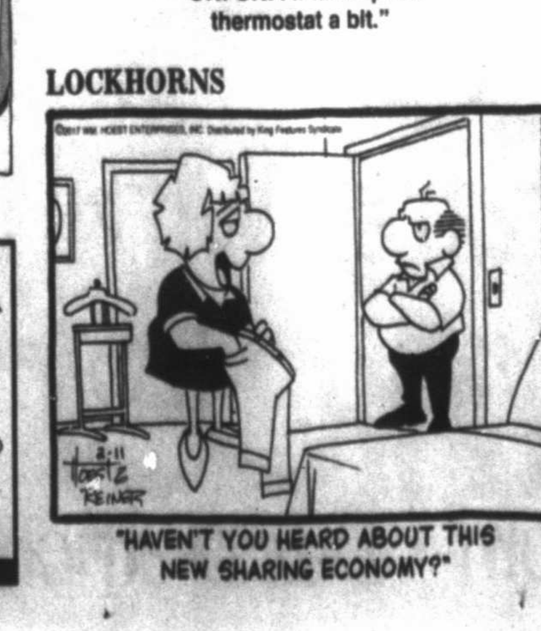
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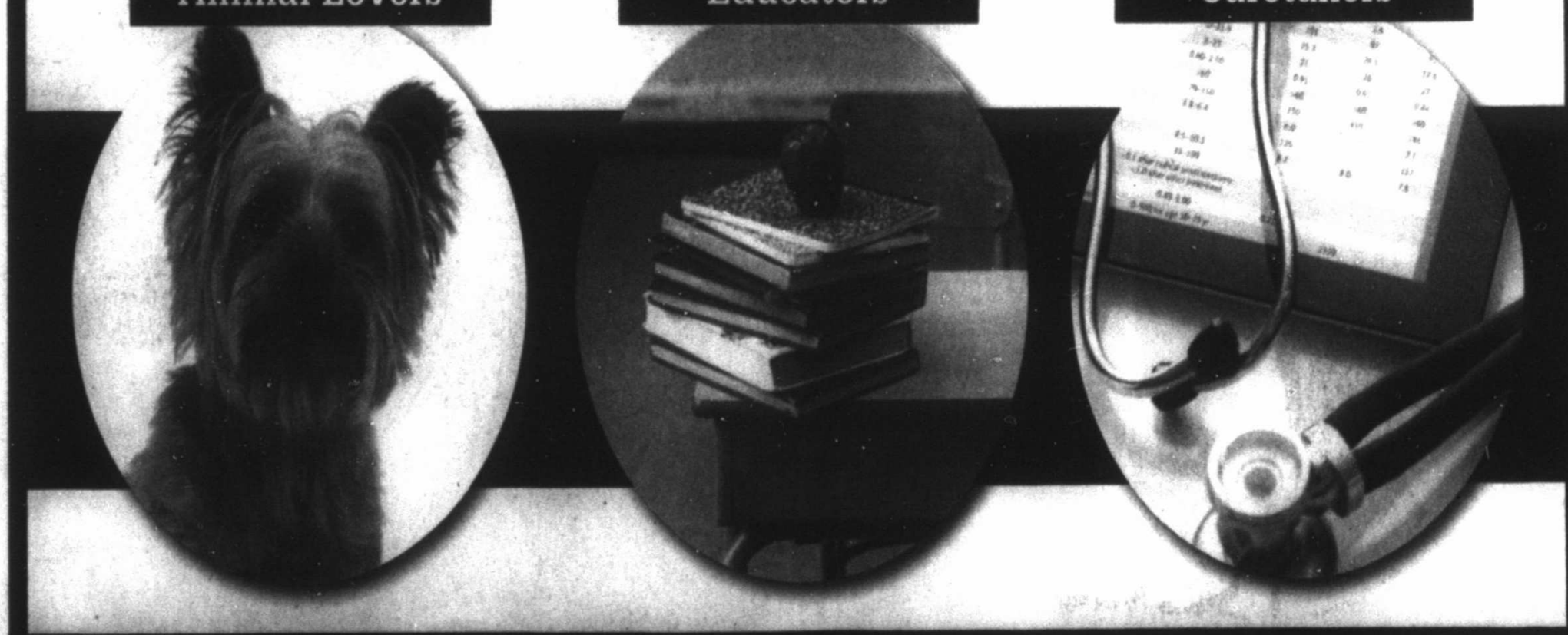
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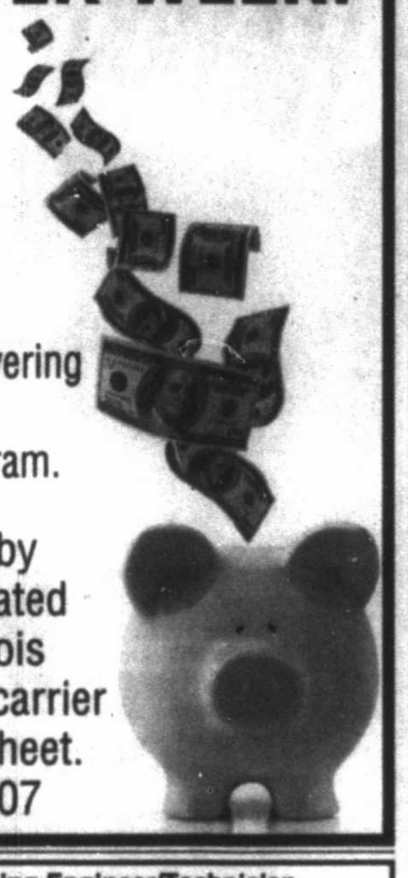
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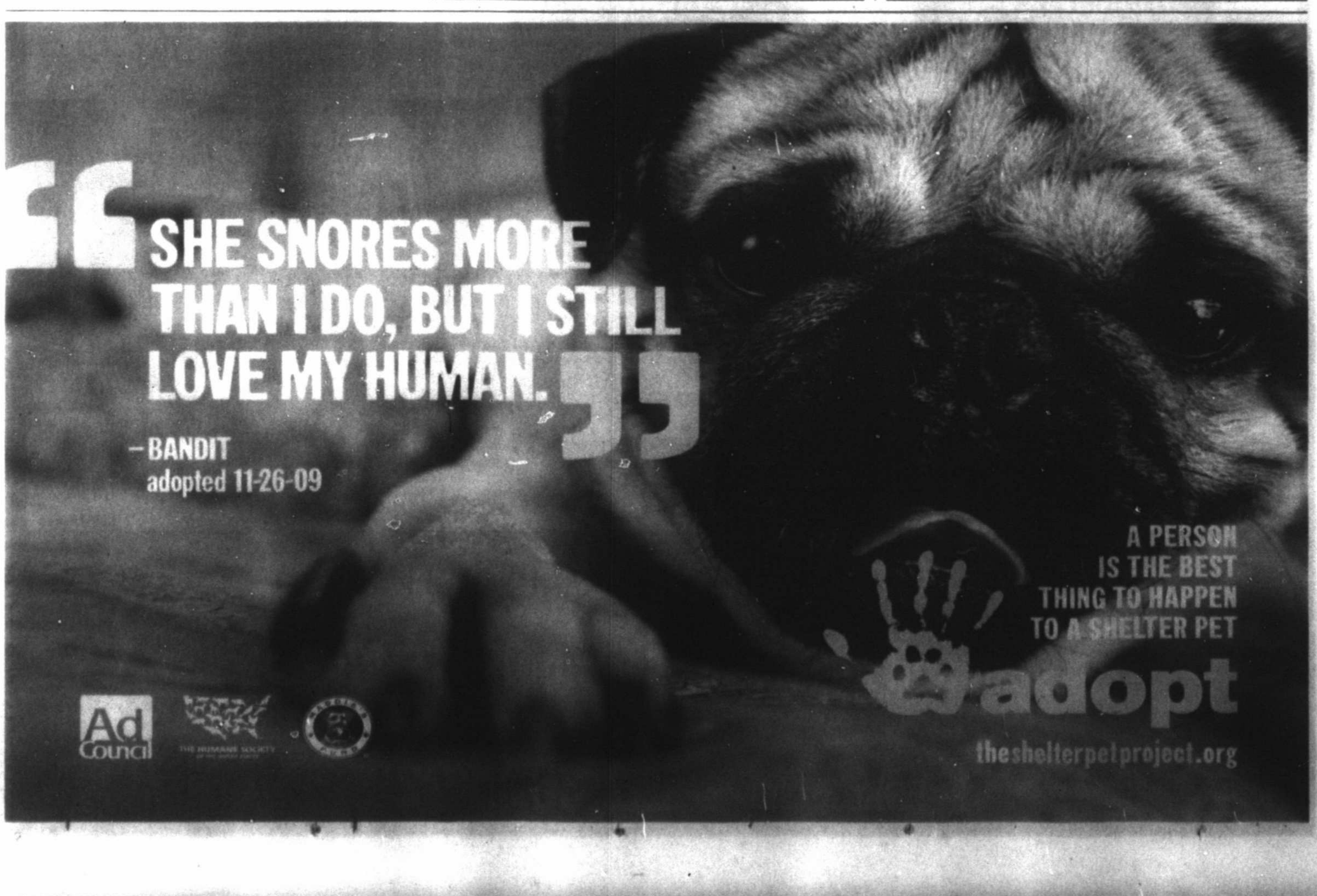
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Legal and Public Notices

The City Council of the City of Midland, Texas, will hold a public hearing at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 28, 2017, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 300 North Loraine, on a request by RSP Permian, L.L.C. (MCC HZ Unit 1108H) for a Permit to Drill an Oil and Gas Well inside the City Limits on the following described property: Located 285 feet FNL and 1,978 feet FEL, Section 11, Block X, HP Hilliard Survey, Midland County, Texas.

Generally located 1,978 feet west of North State Highway 349 and 5,030 feet north of Mockingbird Lane.

The meeting facility is accessible to disabled persons. A wheelchair entry ramp is located at the southeast entrance to City Hall. A parking space designated for use by disabled persons is available near the southeast entrance doors. Any disabled person needing special accommodations or hearing impaired persons wishing to have an interpreter should request services through the Administrative Services Department at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting by contacting Compliance Coordinator for the City of Midland, at (432) 685-7251. If communication via TDD is required, please call 1-800-735-2989.

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Generally located on 1,664 feet east of North Garfield Street Extension and 1,095 feet north of Passage Way Extension.

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Generally located on the south side of Loop 250 North approximately 220-feet west of N. Midkiff Road. (Council District 1)

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Generally located 403 feet south of Andrews Highway and 823 feet east of North Loop 250 West.

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Generally located 1,978 feet west of North State Highway 349 and 5,030 feet north of Mockingbird Lane.

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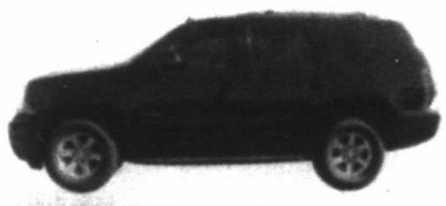
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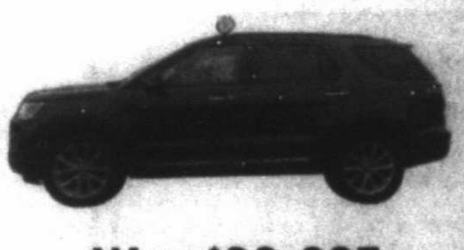
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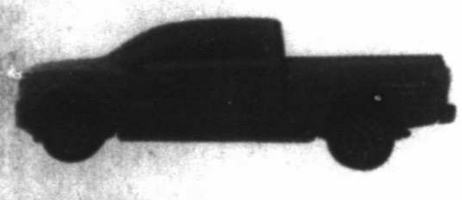
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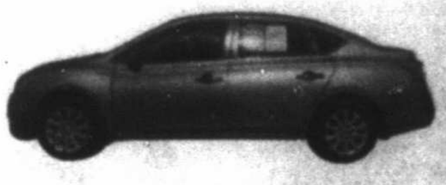
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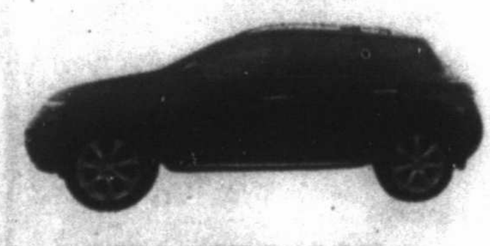
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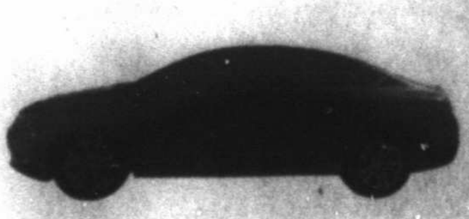
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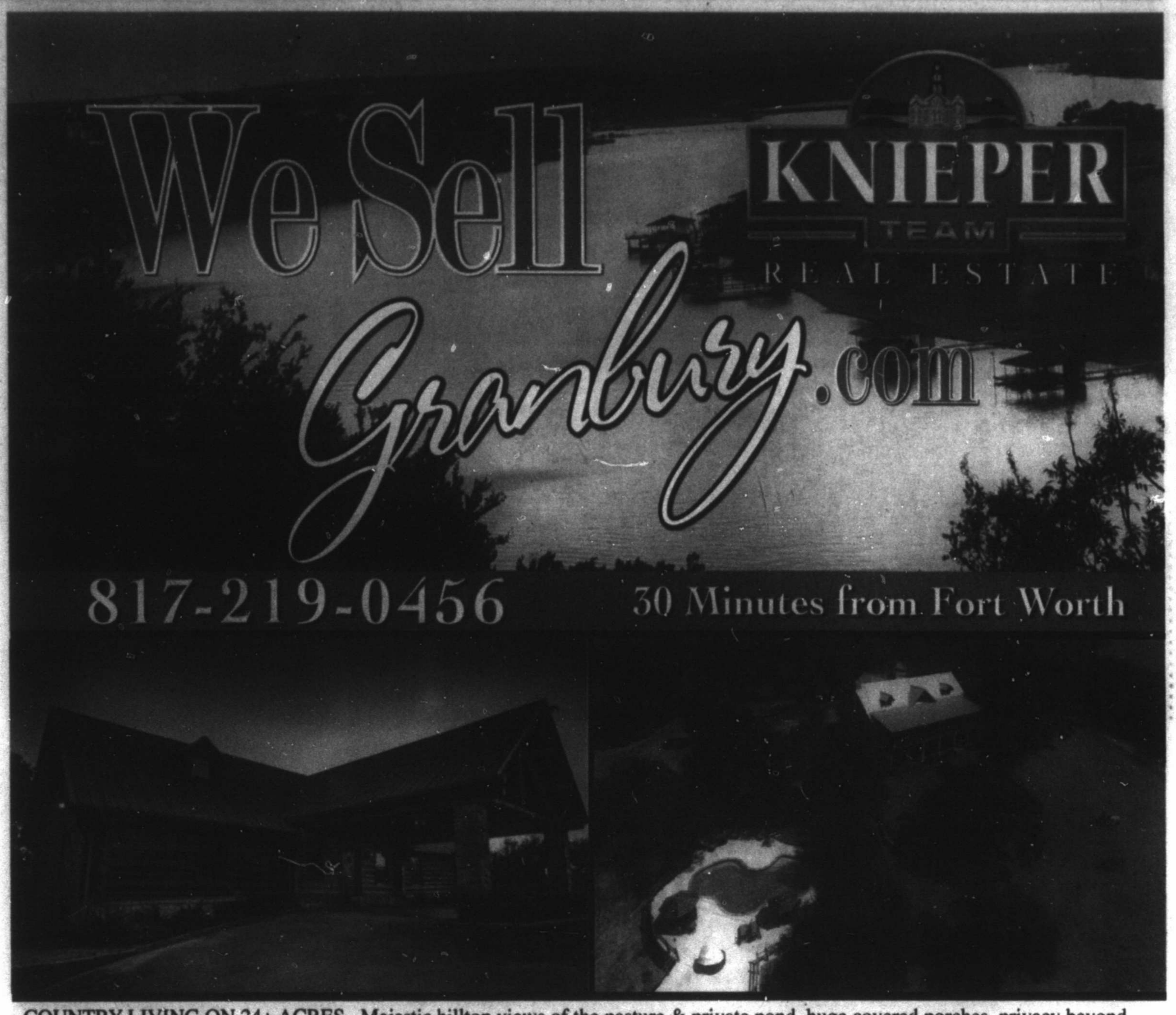
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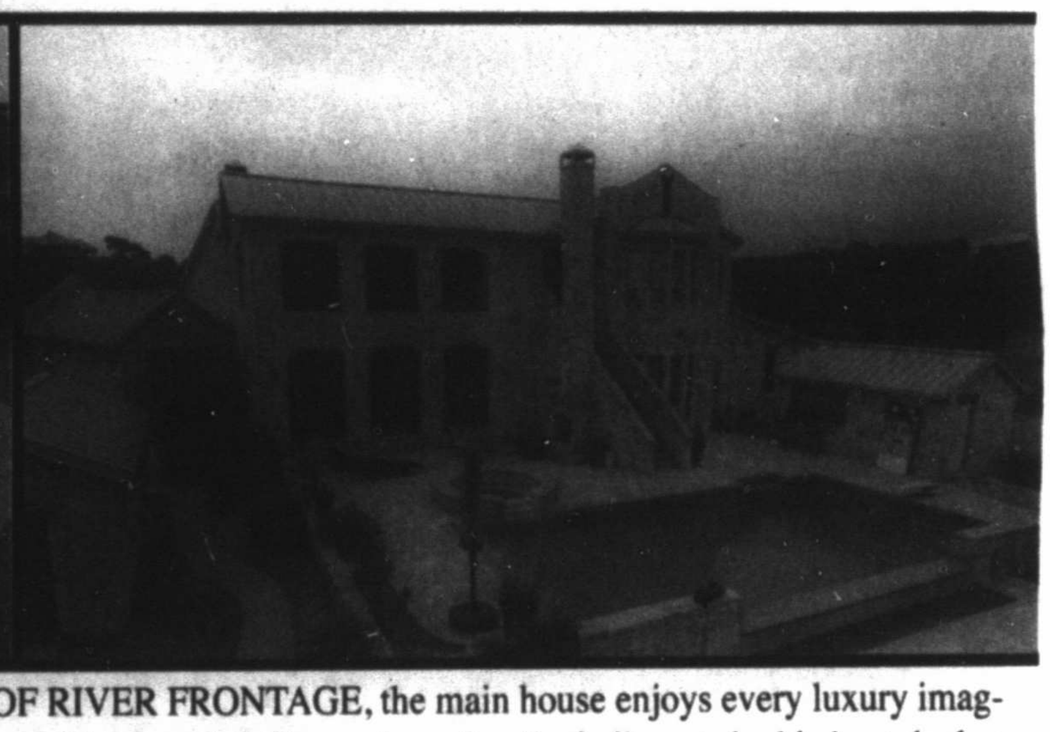
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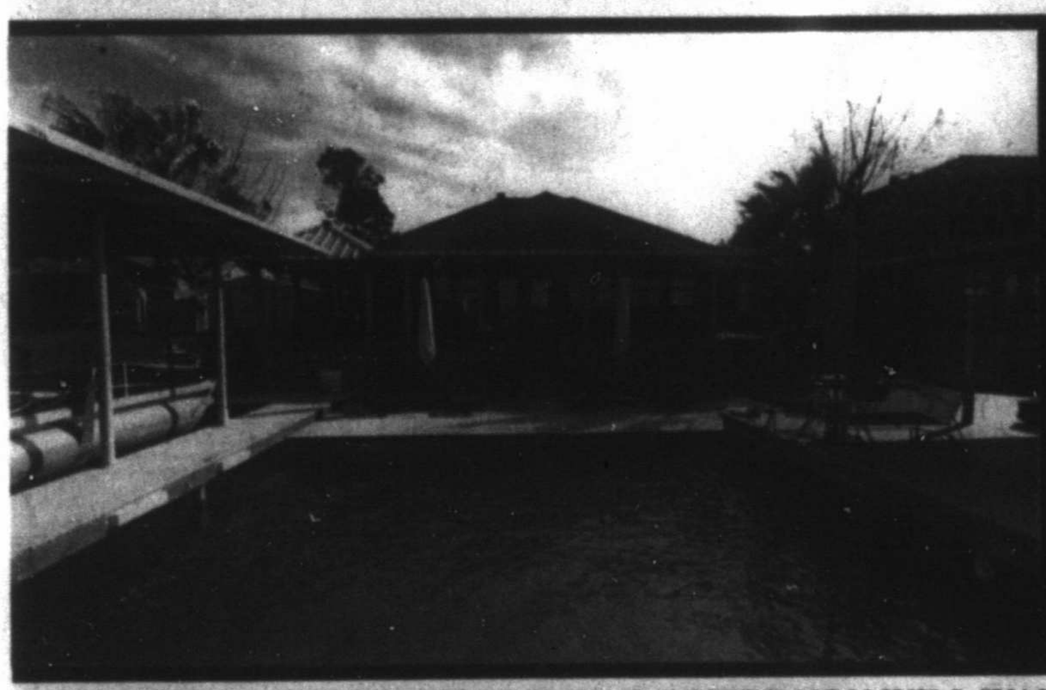


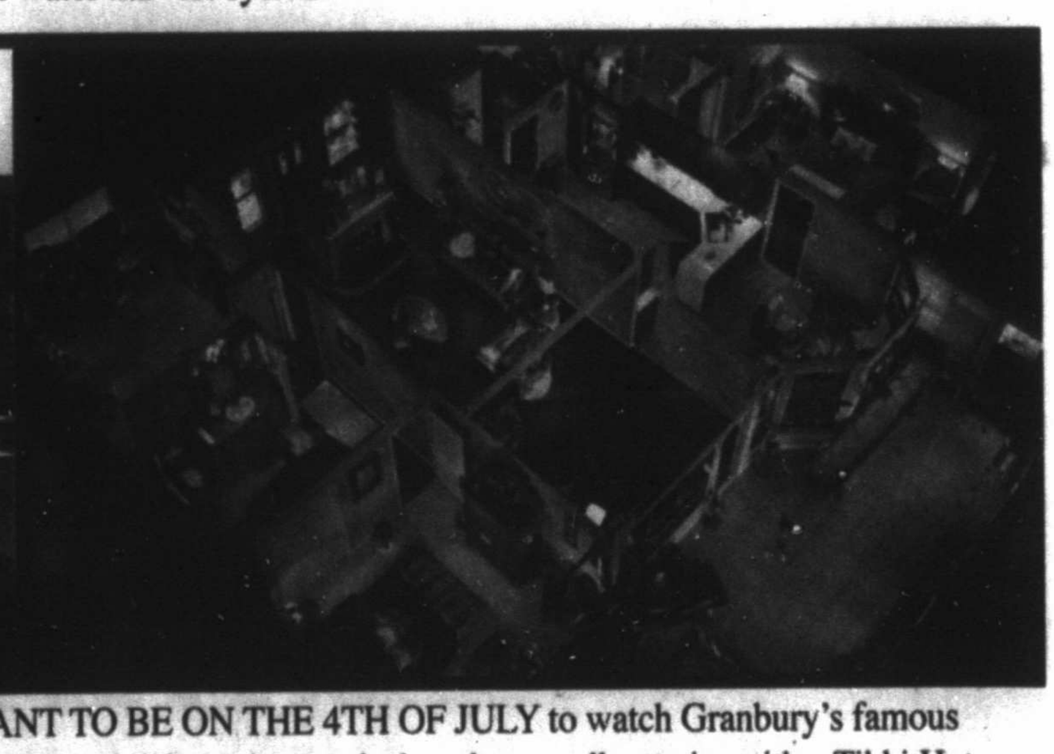
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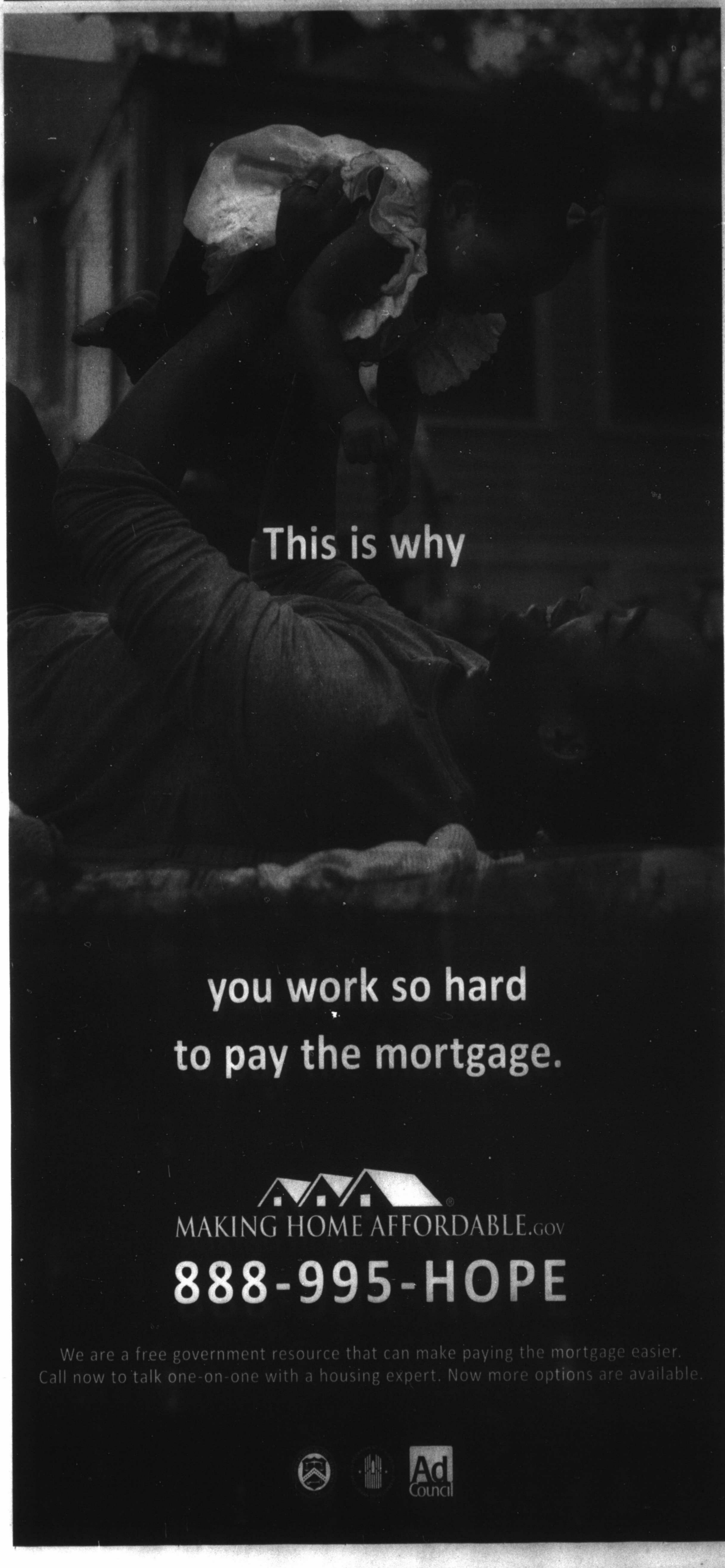


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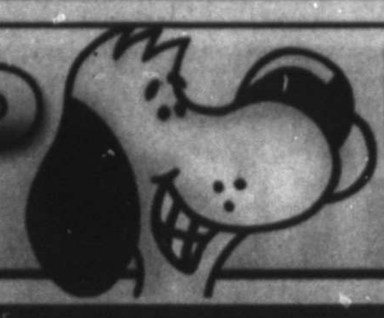




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4713 CROCKETT Saturday 8am-3pm. Baby items, kid & adult clothes, toys, appliances, furniture, beds, electronics, & lots of miscellaneous.

4738 WILSHIRE, Saturday only, 9am-? Baby girl clothes, plus size clothes, dining table & lots of miscellaneou

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79707

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79703

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79705

1701 NORMANDY Lane. Saturday Feb. 11th from 8 AM-12 PM. Home goods, furniture, clothes, kids/ baby apparel, washer & dryer.

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79706

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79707

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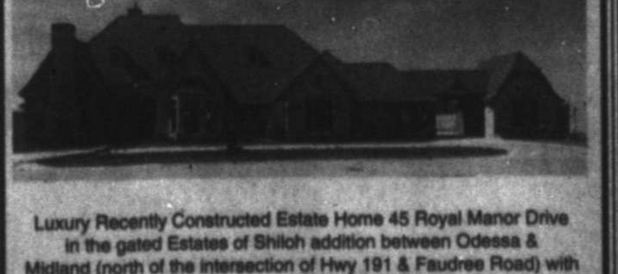
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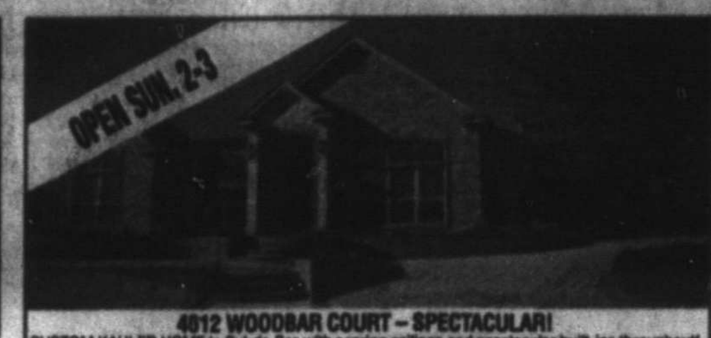
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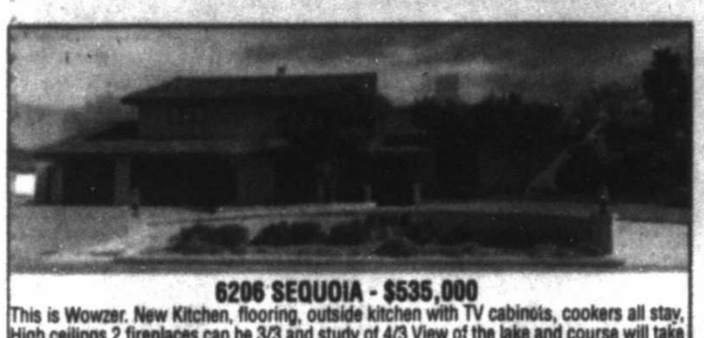
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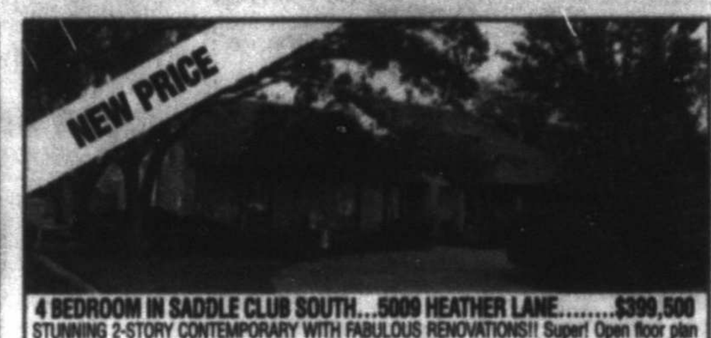
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