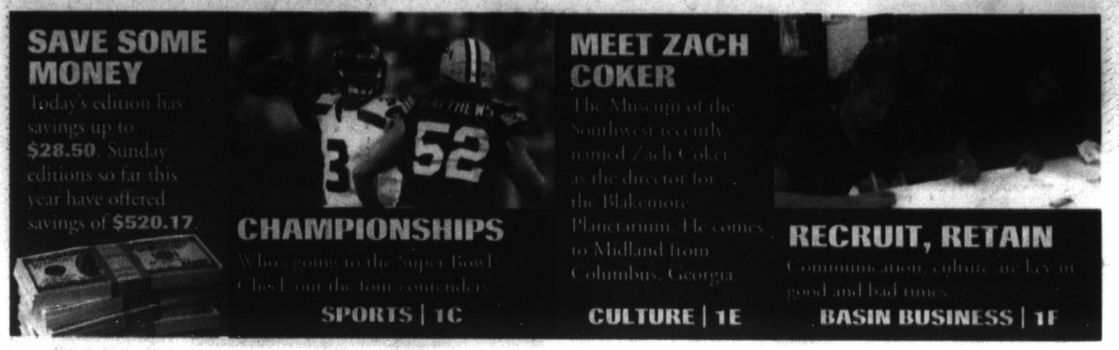

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Economist: Oversupply of crude needs time

Analyst says this downturn in oil prices 'feels different' from 2008 drop

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Permian Basin oil and gas operators last weathered a crude price downturn in the fall of 2008 as the nation entered the Great Recession.

At that time, posted prices that had soared as high as an average $131.07 in June 2008 fell to an average $35.87 in February 2009 before again moving higher.

While oil prices had a significant recovery from the economic downturn, such a recovery now is not in the offing, said Karr Ingham, an Amarillo economist.

"This feels different to me," he said.

He explained that the 2008 downturn was demand-driven as weak economies significantly reduced oil demand. The current price decline, which began in June and accelerated in November when members of OPEC declined to cut production, is supply-driven, he said.

According to Ingham, oil production from the West Texas portion of the Permian Basin was 13.3 percent higher in November than the previous November and between January and November of 2014 was up 12.2 percent.

"Though there are elements of sluggish demand, this is a supply phenomenon," Ingham said.

Correcting the oversupply has caused crude prices to fall by more than 50 percent from June levels will require a reduction in supplies or an increase in demand, he said.

Accomplishing either will not happen overnight, Ingham said.

He said many people he talks to have the mistaken belief that in light of falling oil prices, the nation's crude

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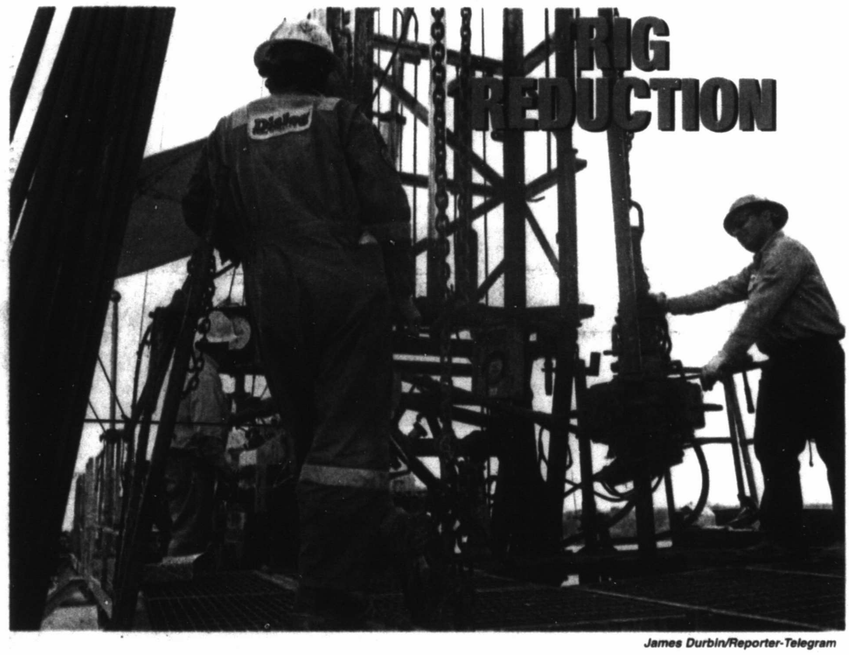

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Workers man a rig located on Highway 385, south of Odessa, on Sept. 24, 2014.

Producers slash spending, activity plans

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Oil producers, large and small, are slashing spending plans for 2015 as crude prices have tumbled below $50 a barrel.

Apache Corp. is cutting its North American budget 26 percent and ConocoPhillips and Rosetta Resources each 20 percent. Chevron has delayed announcing its 2015 plans, while Linn Energy has halved its budget plans.

Midland's Concho Resources just announced it has cut its capital program to $2 billion as a result of falling prices. Of that, $1.8 billion will be spent on drilling and completion and $200 million for facilities, midstream and other capital.

Concho also will reduce the number of drilling rigs it operates, from the current 35 to an average of 30 in the first quarter and approximately 25 rigs from the second quarter through the remainder of the year. At that level of activity, Concho plans to generate 16 percent to 20 percent year-over-year production growth.

Steve Pruett, president and chief executive officer of Elevation Resources, said his board had approved a $227 million capital budget in early December.

"I'm going back to the board and asking

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Realtor: Oil price has had no effect on home sales yet

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Demand has remained steady despite the fall in the price of oil over the last six months, according to a local Realtor, while home prices continued to reach record levels throughout 2014, according to figures from the Real Estate Center at Texas A&M University.

The figures showed that both average and median home price for Midland have grown by more than 30 percent, and the high growth rate is reason for concern, said Realtor Larry Hatfield with Legacy Real Estate.

"I think that our growth is not sustainable," he said. "You can't expect it to grow at the rate it has been growing for another five or 10 years. You need to stop and take a breather for it to be healthy. You have a little bit of a shakeout in the job and real estate market every once in a while to keep things in balance."

A slowdown would be beneficial to a housing market that has struggled to meet demand, according to Warren Ivey, a Midland Realtor with the Texas Association of Realtors.

"Right now (the real estate market) is so in the sellers' favor, so hopefully it will even out," he

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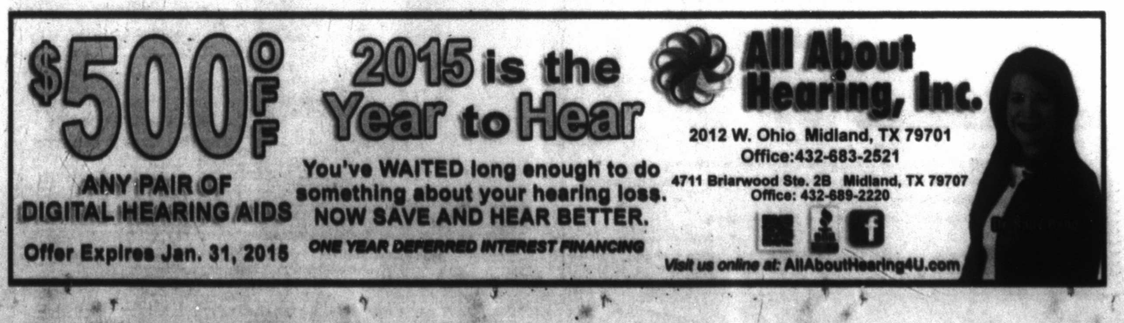

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"Seven Brides for Seven Brothers," 7:30 p.m. Sunday at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

Friday through Jan. 25
Crashmaster Monster Truck Show at the Horseshoe. midlandhorseshoe.com.

Saturday
■ Tool Box Bash benefiting Habitat for Humanity, 6:30 p.m., CAF. 686-8877.
■ MOSC Masterworks 3 "There's a Good Chance You'll Love Strauss," 7:30 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

Meetings this week

Permian Basin Airport Board
10:30 a.m. Tuesday
Midland International Air and Space Port Media Room
9506 La Force Blvd.

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

Midland College board of trustees
4 p.m. Tuesday
Midland College Gibson Board Room
3600 North Garfield St.

Support groups today

■ Overeaters Anonymous, 4:30 p.m., B&J Plaza, 206 N. Midkiff Road, Suite 1-D; 553-1031.
■ Midland Odessa Chapter of the United Ostomy Association, 2:30 p.m., Midland Memorial Hospital West Campus.
■ Midland Walkabout Volkssport Club, 5 p.m., First Presbyterian Church; 687-2588.
■ Alcoholics Anonymous — hotline 580-7868.
■ Narcotics Anonymous — hotline 582-2926.

MPD to co-host MLK Day town hall meeting

The Midland Police Department is hosting a town hall meeting planned for 4-5 p.m. on Monday at the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane.

The presentation, which is titled "Making Midland Better Together," is part of a series of events taking place in observance of the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday. MPD will discuss the latest crime trends, and residents will have the opportunity to speak directly with officers. MPD will also be sharing crime-prevention tips along with information on partnerships such as Neighborhood Watch programs.

The meeting will be facilitated by Making an Impact Inc. and Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance. For more information, call 352-6603 or 352-6233 or email makinganimpact360@gmail.com.

Source: City of Midland

Airport numbers from December

Enplanements (people boarding an airplane)
December 2014: 47,520
December 2013: 42,590
Percent difference: 11.6
Year to date: 141,904 (10.9 percent increase from 2013-14)
December 2012: 40,984
December 2011: 41,548
December 2010: 40,285
December 2009: 35,161
December 2008: 38,457

Total Passengers
December 2014: 93,528
December 2013: 84,379
Percent difference: 10.8
Year to date: 280,800 (11 percent increase from 2013-14)

Fuel Sales (in gallons)
December 2014: 595,009
December 2013: 627,999
Percent difference: -5.3
Year to date: 1,770,737 (4.6 percent decrease from 2013-14)
December 2012: 514,557
December 2011: 503,183
December 2010: 506,562
December 2009: 391,171
December 2008: 506,754

Parking Revenues
December 2014: $333,131
December 2013: $212,9701
Percent difference: 56.4
Year to date: $974,293 (60.2 percent increase from 2013-14)
December 2012: $177,114
December 2011: $165,449
December 2010: $150,352
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Are you sick?

Midland Memorial Hospital has partnered with Medical Center Hospital in Odessa on the telephone nurse triage program "68-NURSE," in order to bring the service to the entire Permian Basin.

The program is designed to help people determine whether or not their health situation warrants a trip to the emergency room. Midland residents can call the line by dialing 686-8773.

The program is free and available 24 hours a day-365 days a year. Local nurses are available to help you determine the best place to receive care for your situation. 68-NURSE can help you save time and money by directing you to the most appropriate healthcare option, whether it's a neighborhood clinic, urgent care center, emergency room … or just staying home.

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Today is Sunday, Jan. 18, the 18th day of 2015. There are 347 days left in the year.

Today's highlight:
In 1943, a U.S. ban on the sale of pre-sliced bread — aimed at reducing bakeries' demand for metal replacement parts — went into effect.

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that it be cut to $100 million," he said.

Half of that amount will be on four wells currently in process or waiting on fracture stimulation and the remainder for discretionary spending that will generate economic returns in the current price environment, Pruett said.

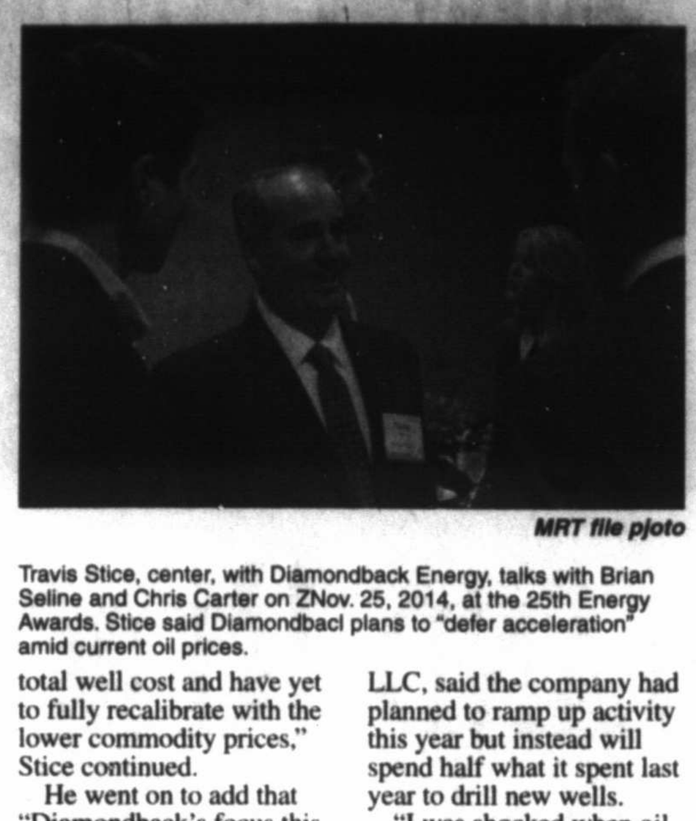
Elevation has cut its rigs from six to three, and by the end of January will be operating one rig that will drill a couple — out of eight prospects — that are still economical. Another reason for drilling will be to maintain leases, he said. Outside operators will be drilling wells in New Mexico on the company's behalf, Pruett said.

"We are going to invest as little as we can in this environment," Pruett said.

Diamondback Energy is another Midland operator scaling back its 2015 plans.

"Diamondback plans to defer acceleration in 2015 as previously communicated, and run three horizontal rigs starting in February when the company releases two of its horizontal rigs and its remaining vertical rig," reported Travis Stice, Diamondback's chief executive officer.

"Consistent with a slower drilling program, our budget for drilling, completion and infrastructure ranges between $400 to $450 million, which represents more than a 40 percent reduction from the initial plan to run eight rigs. We can further moderate spending by controlling the pace of completions, which currently make up almost 60 percent of the total well cost and have yet to fully recalibrate with the lower commodity prices," Stice continued.



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Travis Stice, center, with Diamondback Energy, talks with Brian Seline and Chris Carter on ZNov. 25, 2014, at the 25th Energy Awards. Stice said Diamondbacl plans to "defer acceleration" amid current oil prices.

He went on to add that "Diamondback's focus this year is on capital discipline, stockholder returns, and maintaining a strong balance sheet. We are well hedged in 2015 with more than half of our forecasted volumes hedged at $88 a barrel. Further, with this decreased pace, even at $50 a barrel WTI, we will cross over to cash flow positive in the second half of 2015. With our focus on returns, we will continue to drill where returns are the highest.

"These downward cycles in commodity prices, which the Permian has experienced multiple times over the decades, also represent opportunities to grow for those companies with strong balance sheets like Diamondback."

Joseph Castillo, president of Bold Energy III LLC, said the company had planned to ramp up activity this year but instead will spend half what it spent last year to drill new wells.

"I was shocked when oil fell to $75; I felt it would rebound quickly," he said, but reports and news stories he read convinced him there was significant downward pressure on oil prices.

Bold will continue to focus on its Reagan County Horizontal Wolfcamp, drilling six horizontal wells this year, Castillo said. Even as successful as that program has been, "these wells are under serious economic pressure. We're drilling to maintain leases. We have to protect our acreage at all cost," he said.

Henry Resources will cut activity about 30 to 40 percent, said Danny Campbell, president. Last year the company ran three or four rigs all year and this year will operate two through the first half of the year.

"We'll make a decision, probably in the summer, if we want to add a third rig. It will depend on how oil prices and service costs are doing," he said.

Henry will be drilling some horizontal wells and continuing to be active in the Wolfberry as well as drilling in the Devonian, Campbell said.

"We're not cutting back in any one area, we're cutting across the board," he said.

He said the company had prepared as well as it could, but no one expected oil prices to fall so low and so quickly.

The year will be tough for Midland, especially if a significant number of rigs drilling in the Permian Basin are laid down, Castillo said. If that happens, "there will be a lot of families affected. But we always come back."

Pruett said it may be a year, perhaps two, before supply and demand come back into balance and boost prices. Another need is for service costs to come down 20 percent to 30 percent and signals that oil prices are going to move higher.

"We shouldn't have had $100 oil, but we can't justify $47 oil, either," he said.

For his part, Castillo sees an improved environment this year.

"We think prices will rebound to some degree this year – I don't know what that will look like, but I can't imagine a scenario where they won't. I don't think they will be above $75 this year."

Campbell predicted it will take at least 18 months to two years for oversupplies to be eliminated.

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production "is going to fall right now.

"A fall will be off in the future," Ingham said. "Producers are going to continue adding to the nation's supply even as supply pushes down prices. I don't think this will be a yearlong event, but longer than a year."

Because supplies are putting downward pressure on prices, he said it will take longer to work through.

"Production will still go up, but at a slower rate. Production is going to keep going up for months into the future. My guess is, it will be later in the year before we see any actual decline in production," he said.

Ingham said he fears that oil operators have been so successful in boosting production that what happened to natural gas prices will happen to oil prices. By 2008, natural gas prices had climbed to about $15 per Mcf, but significant production increases from gas plays such as the Barnett and Marcellus shales sent prices tumbling and have yet to recover.

"My nightmare scenario is they have been so successful, oil prices are destined to stay low for an extended period," he said.

What could move prices back is what Ingham called the "boomerang" effect: Prices may have dropped too much.

"The pendulum may have swung too far in one direction and now needs to move the other way," he said.

Offering an economics lesson, he said, "This is how the markets are supposed to work. Markets are designed to provide a good outcome to the consumer, not the producer. Even when consumers think they're getting clobbered, the market is working to provide more supply to the consumers, and this is working like a charm."

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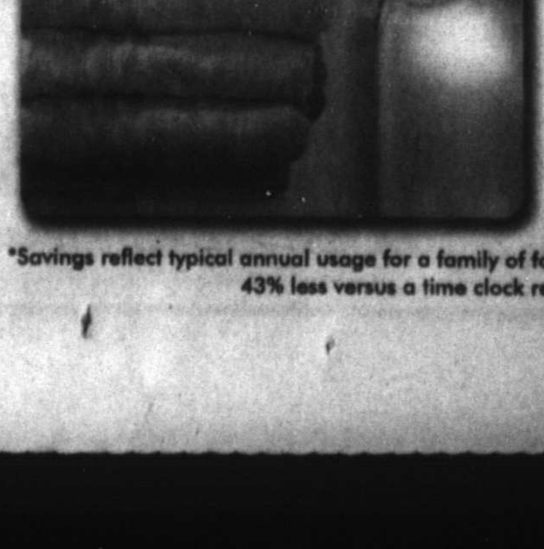
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Builders keep laying down slabs despite drop in oil

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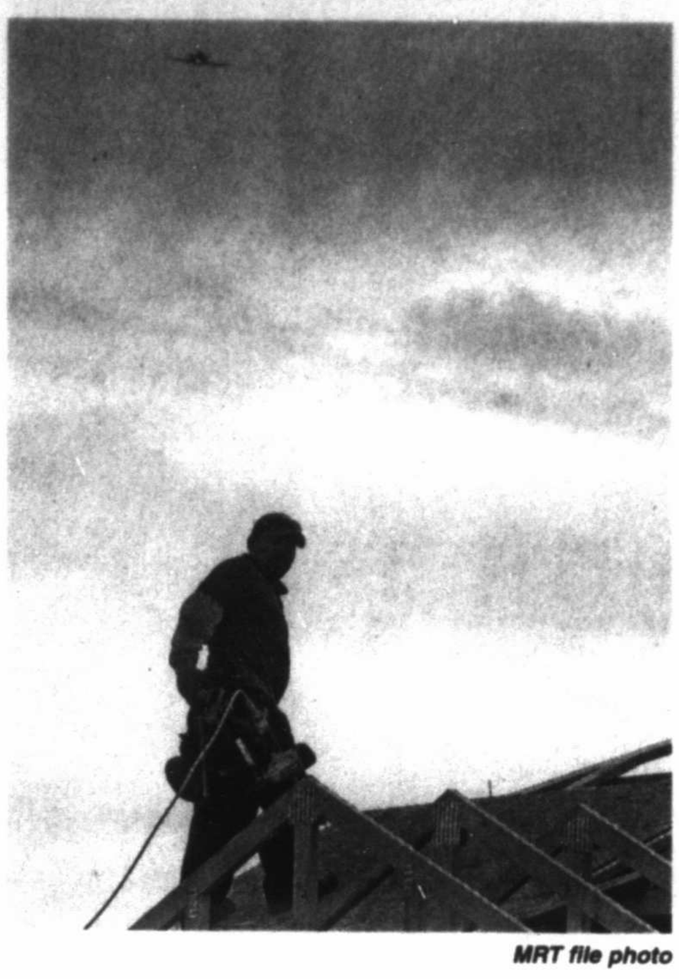
As oil prices have halved in the last six months, Midland's feverish housing industry hasn't let up.

Some residents may be wondering about conditions with the price of oil below $50 a barrel and companies announcing budget cuts and layoffs. But home builders do not sec themselves pressing the brakes anytime soon. They have capitalized on what some have called "pent-up demand," with more than 900 building permits issued in 2014 for new residences.

"We set our goal to build 300 homes in Midland in 2015," Claudia Valdez, marketing coordinator for Betenbough Homes in the Midland and Odessa area, told the Reporter-Telegram.

"We're not adjusting that; we're still aiming to build 300 homes, and we believe that is still the best for the community."

Average home price for Midland passed the $300,000 mark in June and November (December data is not available). Between June and November (the latest figure available), average and median home prices in Midland continued to grow by 13 and 9 percent, respectively, year-over-year, according to figures from the Real Estate Center at Texas A&M University. While the average price grew faster in 2014 than 2013, the median home price growth was 4 percent lower than 2013, indicating that the rapid growth of median homes prices has slowed.



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Construction at the Betenbough Homes subdivision located on Champions Drive near the sports complex. Photographed June 20, 2014.

Statewide, the growth rate in 2014 for average and median home prices was 6.2 and 7 percent, respectively.

The number of homes available also has driven up prices. Midland has had fewer than four months of inventory since November 2011. This housing shortage has driven demand as thousands of people have moved here to respond to the demand for workers in the oil field and support services. The civilian labor force grew by more than 4,000 — to 100,300 — between November 2013 and November 2014, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

"We could have sold twice of what we did in 2014," said Mark Payne, owner of Mark Payne Homes. "We couldn't build it. Part of that is labor and management being able to oversee that."

The home builders interviewed by the Reporter-Telegram all seemed confident in the strength of the market, citing the steady level of demand and waiting lists as indicators that residents still wish to buy homes in Midland.

Permian Homes president Dave Cook, whose company moved into Midland last year, said the Tall City continues to be his favorite and most successful market. Even with the price of oil falling, Cook said that the future contracts they have will give them time to adjust if needed.

"We've had so much pent-up demand, we have contracts that are written for a year out," Cook said. "We have the letters, the money and the contracts. We have enough solid sales in front of us that we're not going to slow down, we're going to try to build those houses. It would be silly for us to slow down when we already have a contract on a buyer."

In 2009, the real estate market in Midland experienced a slowdown, compared to the wholesale collapse of the nation's real estate market. Locally, the market contracted by 1.3 percent year-over-year, while nationwide housing prices fell by more than 15 percent, according to figures compiled by The Economist magazine.

While oil prices have continued to fall to levels unimaginable even two months ago, many people have talked about putting a hold on making firm investments — whether out in the oil field or within Midland.

"There's a lot of people talking confidence, but I think if I was on the market, I may go into wait-and-see mode," Payne said. "For one thing, housing — any kind of housing — is hard to get, whether it's rental or not. I think we're all in a kind of wait-and-see mode, or at least that's the mode that I'm in."

Valdez said that Betenbough currently has a three- to four-month waiting list for initial construction of a new home, and that while oil prices may be a concern, it is making people think more critically of what they wish to build.

"I think you just have people who come through the door who are more realistic about their finances, and so they may be saying, 'Do we really need a fourth bedroom?'" Valdez said.

The Tall City, in the center of the shale oil revolution, is still trying to see how the current order of low oil prices will take shape, and how those effects will trickle down to the local population. For Cook, diversifying Midland's economy would help alleviate the strain of the up-and-down nature of the oil industry and give builders better confidence in the future of the city.

"I'd like to think that Midland and Odessa will eventually grow out of the cyclical nature of the oil industry, where oil is not the defining end-all-be-all of the population," he said.

The Reporter-Telegram was unable to reach DR Horton for comment.

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said. "I don't think it will sway from one side of the pendulum or the other, but hopefully it will even out."

High oil prices between 2009 and mid-2014 have created record low unemployment rates and skyrocketing home prices, with builders adding homes at a that has seemed to be unable to keep up with demand.

Average home prices in Midland passed the $300,000 mark at least twice in 2014 — June and November — (December figures are not available) — one more than in 2013, which was the first time that the $300,000 mark was reached.

Hatfield said Midland has acted as a hyper market, unlike other areas in Texas, and that even if the oil industry were to slow down, that the Tall City has hundreds of thousands of sustainable jobs to keep it going. He attributed the increase in prices to a game of catch-up as home prices remained depressed through the 1990s and early-2000s while the rest of the country enjoyed steady growth.

When asked what he thought real estate prices would do with oil dropping, he referenced the 2008 and 2009 recession.

"I wouldn't be surprised to see like during 2008/2009 when we went through the financial crisis and really we barely had a hiccup here," Hatfield said. "We weathered that storm well and oil was $35 a barrel then. So it'd have to stay low a long time to see any significant drop in prices, but right now I'm not seeing that. I'm not seeing any panic that I really thought we could (see)."

Ivey sees the possible slowdown as a boon to his buyers, who have chafed under the housing shortage and the inability to negotiate prices.

"I look forward to the point where we have more options for (the buyers) in order to take advantage of the market," Ivey said. "So as far as our office is concerned, we're excited about what's ahead of us, how it will turn out. We're discouraged in no means by how it will turn out."

But if oil prices remain low into the foreseeable future, Hatfield predicts that "Midland's sellers' market will change and buyers will have more options.

"For sellers it just means that they're not going to be able to name their price when we go in and list a house. They're going to have to listen to what we have to say, and appraisers are certainly under a lot more stress and scrutiny than they ever have before for the appraisals coming in," Hatfield said.

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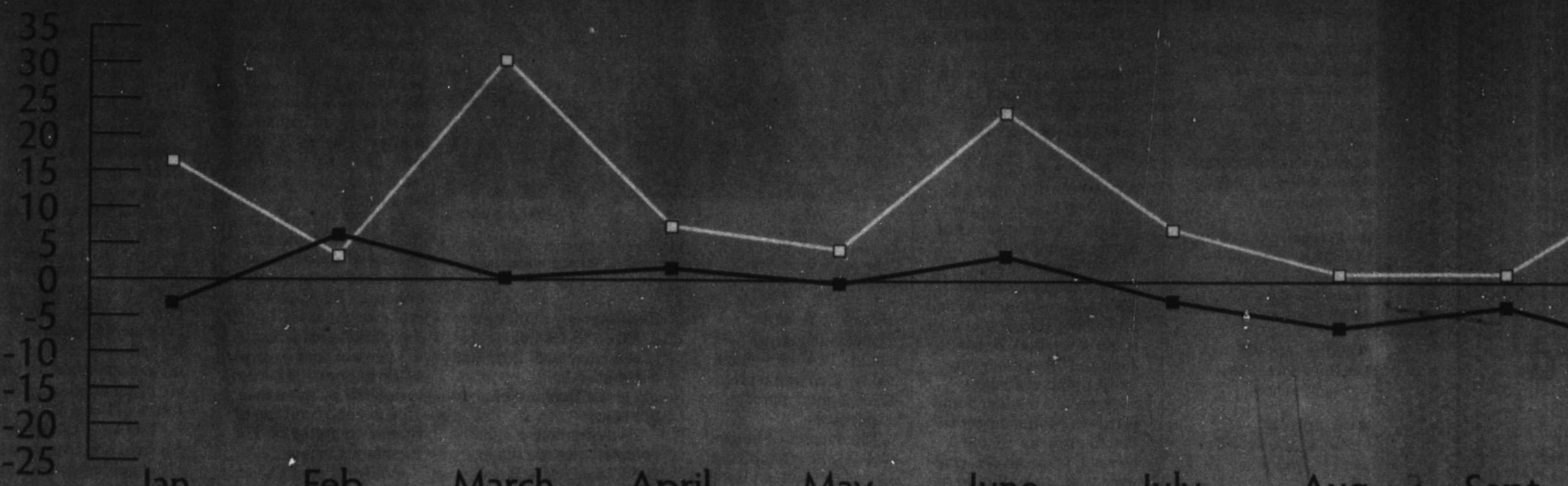
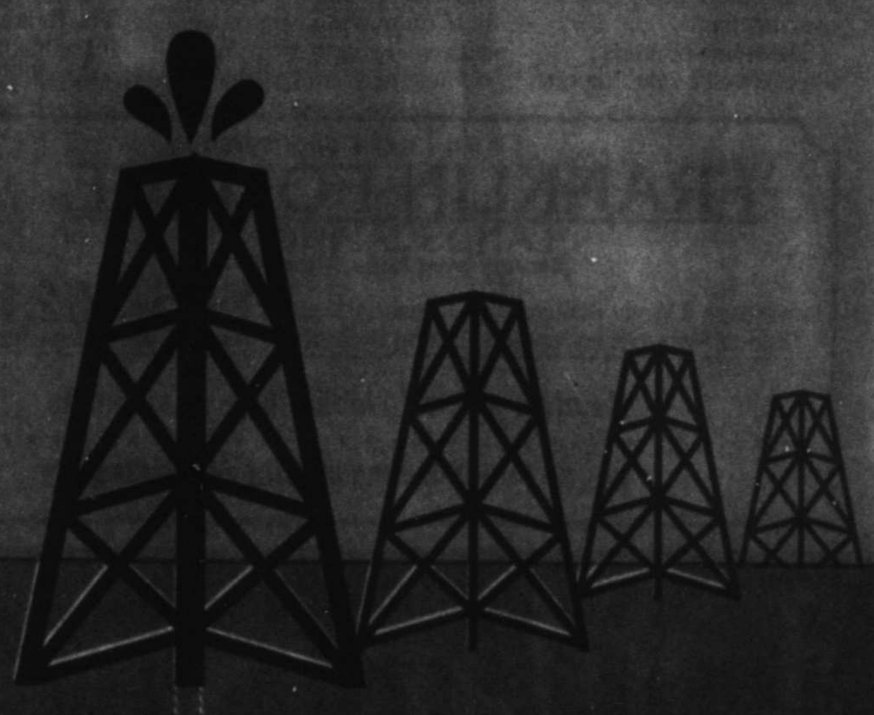
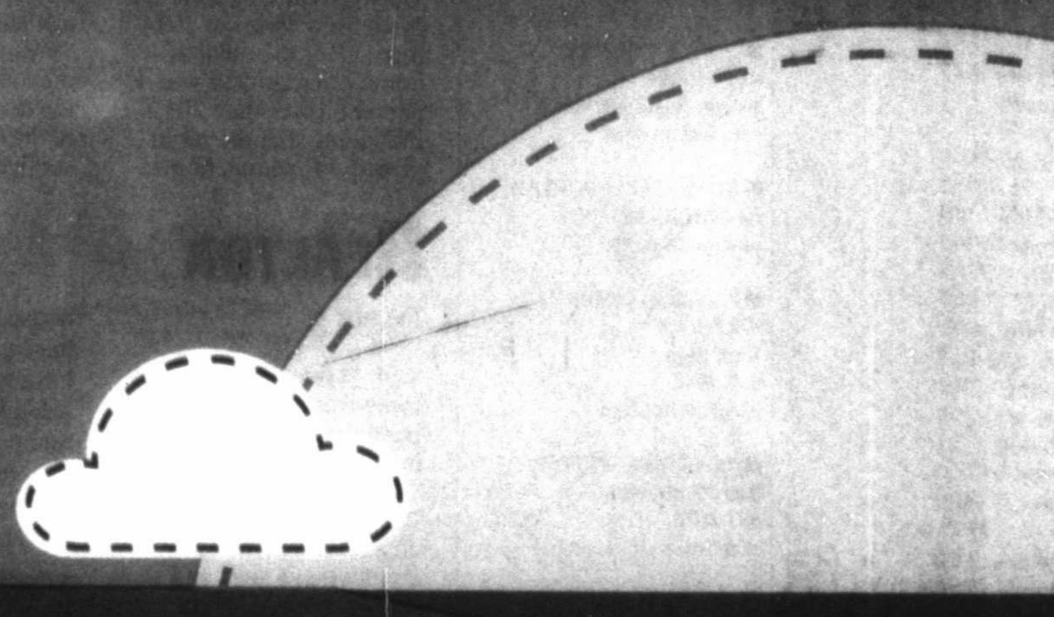
MONTH-TO-MONTH PERCENT PRICE CHANGES IN 2014







Average Permian Basin vertical well depth

Midland Basin
8,000 to 10,000 feet

Delaware Basin
7,000 to 15,000 feet

MONTHLY AVERAGE WTI POSTED PRICES

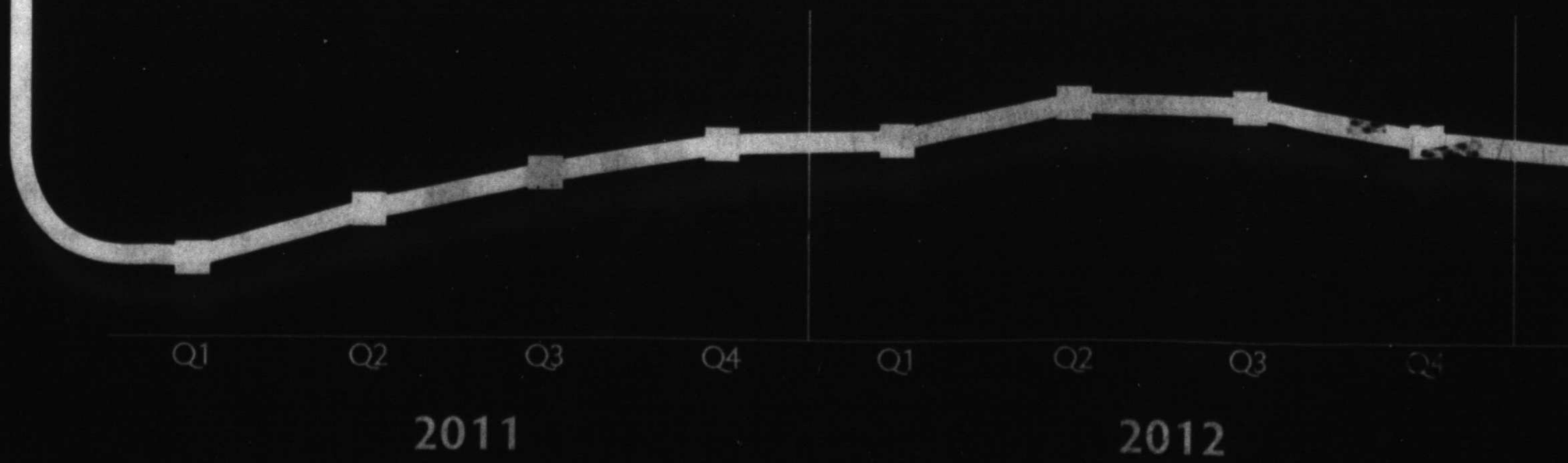
All figures in dollars

	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	Jun
2008	89.45	91.39	101.02	109.06	122.14	131.0
2009	38.47	35.87	44.63	46.95	55.77	66.2
2010	74.60	72.78	77.65	81.06	71.06	71.8
2011	86.22	86.07	99.47	106.90	97.67	92.6
2012	96.46	98.81	102.79	99.87	90.93	79.0
2013	91.15	91.90	89.72	88.33	91.43	92.0
2014	91.32	96.93	97.16	98.70	98.32	101.6

Permian Basin horizontal lateral average

4,000 to 6,000 feet

AVERAGE PERMIAN BASIN RIG COUNTS



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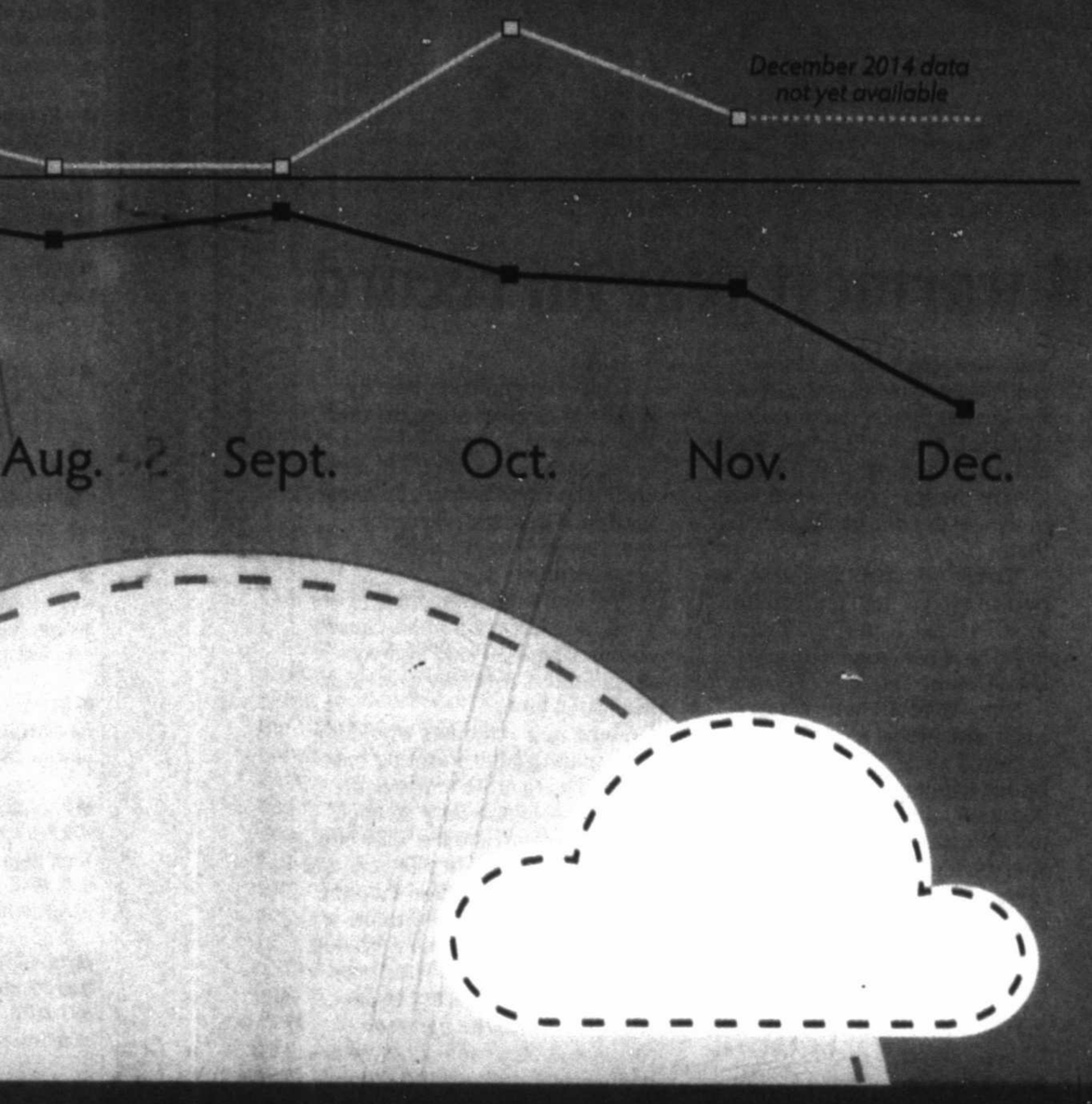
IN 2014

Median home price
WTI posted price

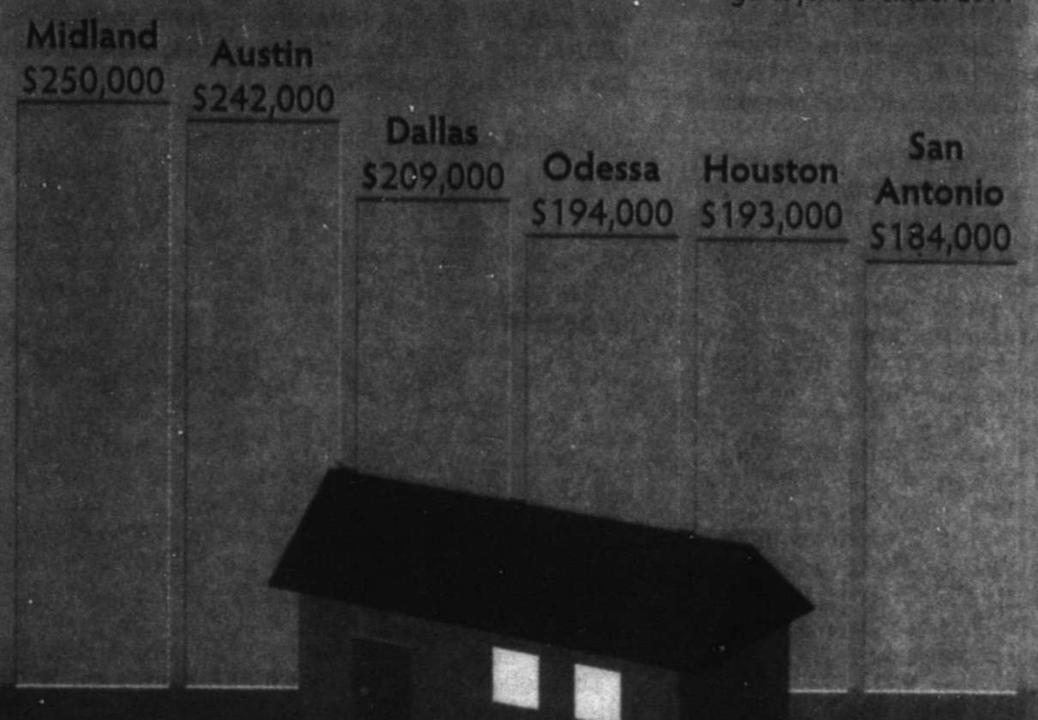


AVERAGE MEDIAN HOME PRICES IN MIDLAND

2014 figures through November

MEDIAN HOME PRICES FOR MAJOR TEXAS CITIES

Figures for November 2014



Source: Texas A&M Real Estate Center

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May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
22.14	131.07	130.91	113.21	100.88	73.25	54.04	37.68
65.77	66.21	60.91	67.55	65.72	72.17	74.18	71.08
71.06	71.87	72.66	73.09	71.93	78.38	80.76	85.76
97.63	92.67	93.75	82.47	82.06	82.75	93.52	95.05
90.95	79.07	84.39	90.63	91.39	86.04	83.17	84.73
91.43	92.08	101.27	103.09	102.90	97.18	90.46	94.40
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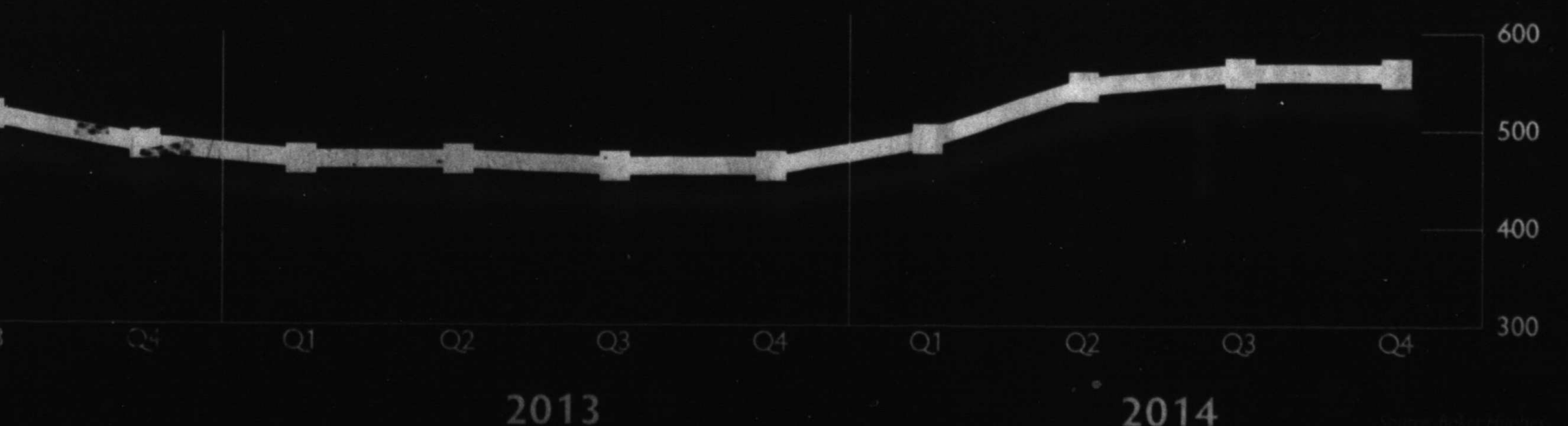


TODAY: Sunny	MONDAY: Sunny	TUESDAY: Sunny	WEDNESDAY: Partly sunny	THURSDAY: Mostly cloudy	FRIDAY: Partly sunny
High: 64 Low: 36	High: 73 Low: 39	High: 60 Low: 35	High: 52 Low: 34	High: 44 Low: 31	High: 59 Low: 33

Local forecast

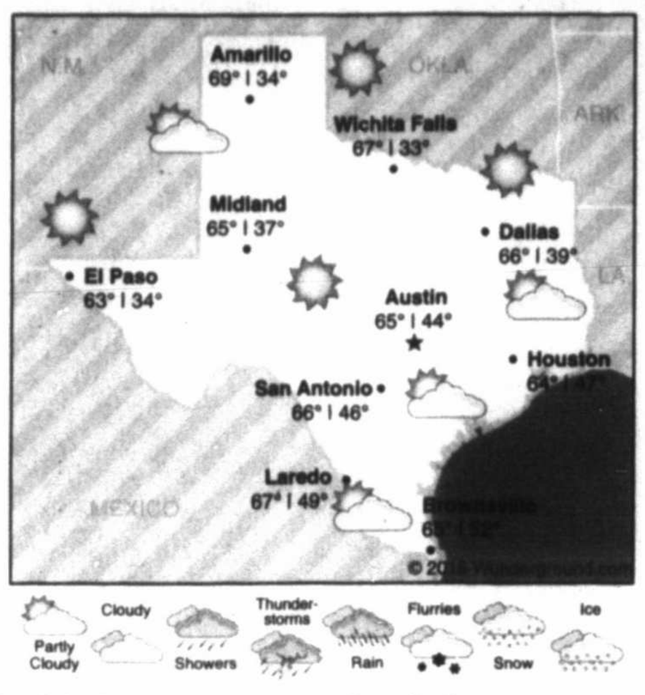
Expect a sunny skies today with a high around 64 and southwest winds between 5 and 15 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for mostly clear conditions with a low around 36 and southwest winds between 5 and 10 mph.

On Monday, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, look for sunny skies with a high near 73 and west winds between 5 and 10 mph. On Monday night look for mostly clear conditions with a low around 39 and west winds about 5 mph.

The high on Saturday reached 67, while the low dropped to 37. The record high for Jan. 17 is 83 set in 2000. The record low is 7 set in 1949.

National forecast

A low-pressure system riding the Atlantic coastline today will bring periods of rain from the Carolinas to the Mid-Atlantic and southern New England by the afternoon. Otherwise, there will be cloudy skies across the Northeast for the second half of the weekend. The dreary day is also due in part to a storm system sweeping the Great Lakes, bringing with it periods of snow from Michigan and Ohio to western Pennsylvania and New York by the afternoon.

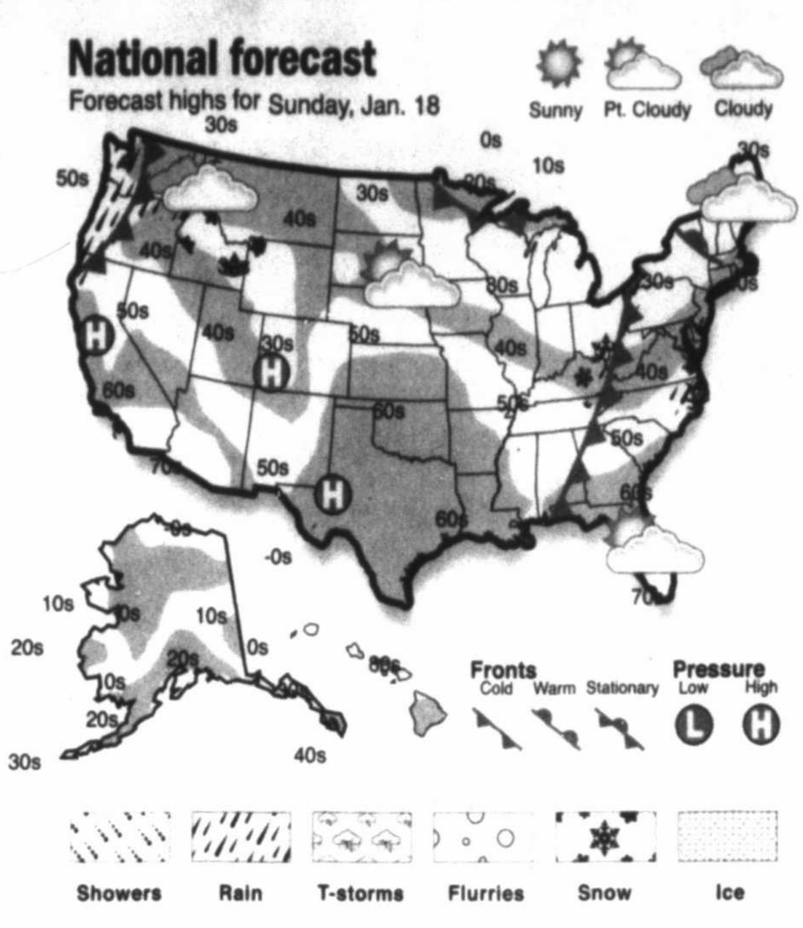


Precipitation

Friday	0.00 in.
Saturday	0.00 in.
Month total	1.53 in.
Year total	1.53 in.
Normal total (year to date)	0.24 in.

Saturday's temperatures

High	60
Low	27
Normal high	57
Normal low	30
Sunrise	7:49 a.m.
Sunset	6:10 p.m.



The heat is on; NOAA, NASA say 2014 warmest year on record

By Seth Borenstein
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — For the third time in a decade, the globe sizzled to the hottest year on record, federal scientists announced Friday.

Both the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and NASA calculated that in 2014 the world had its hottest year in 135 years of record-keeping. Earlier, the Japanese weather agency and an independent group out of University of California Berkeley also measured 2014 as the hottest on record.

NOAA said 2014 averaged 58.24 degrees, 1.24 degrees above the 20th-century average.

But NASA, which calculates temperatures slightly differently, put 2014's average temperature at 58.42 degrees, which is 1.22 degrees above the average of the years 1951-1980.

Earth broke NOAA records set in 2010 and 2005. The last time the Earth set an annual NOAA record for cold was in 1911.

NOAA also said last month was the hottest December on record. Six months in 2014 set marks for heat. The last time Earth set a monthly cold record was in December 1916.

"The globe is warmer now than it has been in the last 100 years and more likely in at least 5,000 years," said climate scientist Jennifer Francis of Rutgers University, who wasn't part of either research team. "Any wisps of doubt that human activities are at fault are now gone with the wind."

Texas A&M University climate scientist Andrew Dessler and other experts said the latest statistics should end claims by non-scientists that warming has stopped. It didn't, as climate denial sites still touted claims that the world has not warmed in 18 years.

2014's heat was driven by record warmth in the world's oceans that didn't just break old marks: It shattered them. Record warmth spread across far eastern Russia, the western part of the United States, interior South America, much of Europe, northern Africa and parts of Australia. One of the few cooler spots was in the central and eastern United States.

"Every continent had some aspect of record high temperatures" in 2014, said Tom Karl, director of NOAA's National Climatic Data Center.

Nine of the 10 hottest years in NOAA global records have occurred since 2000. The odds of this happening at random are about 650 million to 1, according to University of South Carolina statistician John Grego. Two other statisticians confirmed his calculations.

Climate scientists said one of the most significant parts of 2014's record is that it happened during a year where there was no El Nino weather oscillation. During an El Nino, when a specific area of the central Pacific warms unusually and influences weather worldwide, global temperatures tend to spike. Previous records, especially in 1998, happened during El Nino years.

Every year in the 21st century has been in the top 20 warmest years on record, according to NOAA.

Temperatures have risen by about 1.6 degrees since the mid-19th century and pre-industrial times, said Gavin Schmidt, director of NASA's Goddard Institute for Space Studies, where the space agency tracks warming temperatures.

"We are witnessing, before our eyes, the effect of human-caused climate change," said Pennsylvania State University professor Michael Mann.

Some non-scientists who deny man-made global warming have pointed to satellite temperature records — which only go back to 1979 — that show a warming world, but no record this year and less of a recent increase than the longer-term ground thermometers. But Mann, Dessler, Francis and others said there have been quality and trustworthy issues with some satellite measurements and they only show what's happening far above the ground. They said ground measurements are also more important because it is where we live.

University of Alabama Huntsville scientist John Christy, who measures temperature via satellite, puts 2014 in a cluster of warm years behind 2010 and 1998.

2014 warmest year on record

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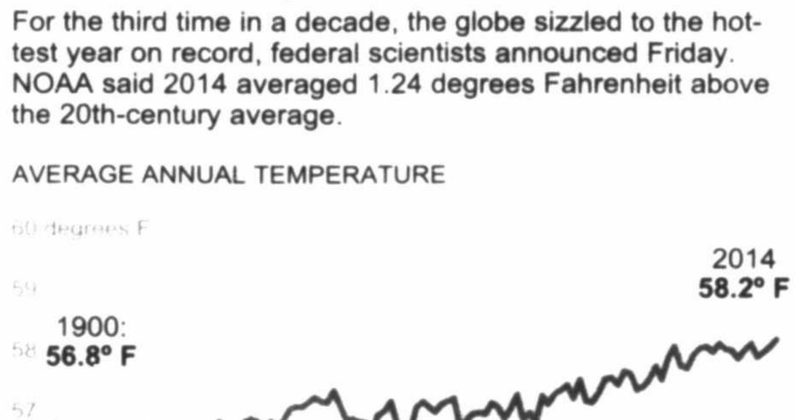

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A 'King' dethroned, no Lego love: Oscar snubs

By Jocelyn Novacek
Associated Press

An acting "King" — David Oyelowo — was denied the throne. A chance for history in the directing category — the nomination of a black woman, Ava DuVernay — was missed. But "Selma," which earned a best picture nod despite those omissions, wasn't the only film Thursday to feel the sting of an Oscar snub. Everything was NOT awesome for "The Lego Movie," either. No worries, though: Director Phil Lord displayed his own Oscar, made of Lego bricks, on Twitter.

Will the others denied their Oscar moment have an equally witty response? That remains to be seen. Here are some of Oscar's biggest snubs and surprises:

SNUB: A KING DENIED

The most glaring omission in the acting categories was Oyelowo; the British star of "Selma" had been widely praised for his restrained and layered performance as Martin Luther King Jr. It was one of the standouts in a year of excellent portrayals of real-life characters (in fact, four of five best-actor nominees were playing a real-life roles.)

SNUB: AND DIRECTING HISTORY, TOO

Many thought "Selma" director Ava DuVernay was a lock to become the first black woman nominated in the category. DuVernay may have been hurt by the controversy over the depiction of Lyndon B. Johnson in her film as foot-dragging on voting rights legislation, rather than collaborating with King. Or maybe the studio's delay in sending DVD screeners to various guilds in Hollywood slowed momentum. Whatever the reason, DuVernay's omission highlighted another: No black nominees in the 20 acting or five directing slots.

SNUB: LEGO DISMANTLED

That sound you heard when the animated film nominees were announced was millions of Lego constructions being dismantled and tossed to the floor in disgust. No nomination for "The Lego Movie?" Really?

SURPRISE: COOPER SETS AIM ON OSCAR

While not really a shock, Bradley Cooper's nod for playing Navy SEAL sniper Chris Kyle in the late-surging "American Sniper" — his third career nomination — surprised some who thought the heavyweight-packed best actor field was just too tight. It's been quite a few months for Cooper: He's starring on Broadway, he just turned 40, and now he has to get the tux out again.

SURPRISE: MARION, ENCORE!

French actress Marion Cotillard is no stranger to Oscar: She won in 2008 for playing Edith Piaf. But her nod for the Belgian drama "Two Days, One Night" — despite the film being left out of the foreign-language film category — was a mild though pleasant surprise, and she edged out contenders like Amy Adams in "Big Eyes," Jennifer Aniston in "Cake" and Emily Blunt in "Into the Woods."

SNUB: SPEAKING OF ADAMS...

Adams' snub was particularly noticeable since she just won a Golden Globe. At the Oscars, she's the perennial bridesmaid, nominated five times without a win. This year, she's not in the wedding party. Other acting snubs included Jake Gyllenhaal, so creepy in "Nightcrawler."

SNUB: FOXCATCHER DOESN'T CATCH A BEST PIC NOD

Steve Carell scored a best actor nod, and Mark Ruffalo a supporting actor nomination. "Foxcatcher" also scored nominations for best director (Bennett Miller) and original screenplay. So why wasn't it nominated for best picture? Adding to the confusion: "American Sniper" DID get a best picture nod, but director Clint Eastwood was left out in the sandstorm.

SNUB: LIFE ITSELF

The late critic Roger Ebert, subject of the documentary "Life Itself," was much loved, and director Steve James is highly respected. But that didn't help the film get a best-documentary nod — even though Hollywood loves movies about the movies.

List of 87th annual Academy Award nominations

Complete list of 87th annual Academy Award nominations announced Thursday:

1.Best picture: "American Sniper"; "Birdman or (The Unexpected Virtue of Ignorance)"; "Boyhood"; "The Grand Budapest Hotel"; "The Imitation Game"; "Selma"; "The Theory of Everything"; "Whiplash."

2. Actor: Steve Carell, "Foxcatcher"; Bradley Cooper, "American Sniper"; Benedict Cumberbatch, "The Imitation Game"; Michael Keaton, "Birdman or (The Unexpected Virtue of Ignorance)"; Eddie Redmayne, "The Theory of Everything."

3. Actress: Marion Cotillard, "Two Days, One Night"; Felicity Jones, "The Theory of Everything"; Julianne Moore, "Still Alice"; Rosamund Pike, "Gone Girl"; Reese Witherspoon, "Wild."

4. Supporting actor: Robert Duvall, "The Judge"; Ethan Hawke, "Boyhood"; Edward Norton, "Birdman or (The Unexpected Virtue of Ignorance)"; Mark Ruffalo, "Foxcatcher"; J.K. Simmons, "Whiplash."

5. Supporting actress: Patricia Arquette, "Boyhood"; Laura Dern, "Wild"; Keira Knightley, "The Imitation Game"; Emma Stone, "Birdman or (The Unexpected Virtue of Ignorance)"; Meryl Streep, "Into the Woods."

6. Directing: Alejandro G. Inarritu, "Birdman or (The Unexpected Virtue of Ignorance)"; Richard Linklater, "Boyhood"; Bennett Miller, "Foxcatcher"; Wes Anderson, "The Grand Budapest Hotel"; Morten Tyldum, "The Imitation Game."

7. Foreign language film: "Ida"; "Leviathan"; "Tangerines"; "Timbuktu"; "Wild Tales."

8. Adapted screenplay: Jason Hall, "American Sniper"; Graham Moore, "The Imitation Game"; Paul Thomas Anderson, "Inherent Vice"; Anthony McCarten, "The Theory of Everything"; Damien Chazelle, "Whiplash."

9. Original screenplay: Alejandro G. Inarritu, Nicolas Giacobone, Alexander Dinelaris Jr. and Armando Bo, "Birdman or (The Unexpected Virtue of Ignorance)"; Richard Linklater, "Boyhood"; E. Max Frye and Dan Futterman, "Foxcatcher"; Wes Anderson (screenplay) and story by Wes Anderson and Hugo Guinness, "The Grand Budapest Hotel"; Dan Gilroy, "Nightcrawler."

10. Animated feature film: "Big Hero 6"; "The Boxtrolls"; "How to Train Your Dragon 2"; "Song of the Sea"; "The Tale of the Princess Kaguya."

11. Production design: "The Grand Budapest Hotel"; "The Imitation Game"; "Interstellar"; "Into the Woods"; "Mr. Turner."

12. Cinematography: "Birdman or (The Unexpected Virtue of Ignorance)"; "The Grand Budapest Hotel"; "Ida"; "Mr. Turner"; "Unbroken."

13. Sound mixing: "American Sniper"; "Birdman or (The Unexpected Virtue of Ignorance)"; "Interstellar"; "Unbroken"; "Whiplash."

14. Sound editing: "American Sniper"; "Birdman or (The Unexpected Virtue of Ignorance)"; "The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies"; "Interstellar"; "Unbroken."

15. Original score: "The Grand Budapest Hotel"; "The Imitation Game"; "Interstellar"; "Mr. Turner"; "The Theory of Everything."

16. Original song: "Everything Is Awesome" from "The Lego Movie"; "Glory" from "Selma"; "Grateful" from "Beyond the Lights"; "I'm Not Gonna Miss You" from "Glen Campbell ... I'll Be Me"; "Lost Stars" from "Begin Again."

17. Costume design: "The Grand Budapest Hotel"; "Inherent Vice"; "Into the Woods"; "Maleficent"; "Mr. Turner."

18. Documentary feature: "CitizenFour"; "Finding Vivian Maier"; "Last Days in Vietnam"; "The Salt of the Earth"; "Virunga."

19. Documentary (short subject): "Crisis Hotline: Veterans Press 1"; "Joanna"; "Our Curse"; "The Reaper (La Parka)"; "White Earth."

20. Film editing: "American Sniper"; "Boyhood"; "The Grand Budapest Hotel"; "The Imitation Game"; "Whiplash."

21. Makeup and hairstyling: "Foxcatcher"; "The Grand Budapest Hotel"; "Guardians of the Galaxy."

22. Animated short film: "The Bigger Picture"; "The Dam Keeper"; "Feast"; "Me and My Moulton"; "A Single Life."

23. Live action short film: "Aya"; "Boogaloo and Graham"; "Butter Lamp (La Lampe Au Beurre De Yak)"; "Parvaneh"; "The Phone Call."

24. Visual effects: "Captain America: The Winter Soldier"; "Dawn of the Planet of the Apes"; "Guardians of the Galaxy"; "Interstellar"; "X-Men: Days of Future Past."

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In this image released by Fox Searchlight Pictures, Michael Keaton portrays Riggan in a scene from "Birdman or (The Unexpected Virtue of Ignorance)." The film was nominated for several Oscars, including best picture, actor and director. The 87th Annual Academy Awards will take place on Feb. 22 at the Dolby Theatre in Los Angeles.

Oscars odds, ends, facts and fun stuff

Associated Press

Fun stuff to know about Thursday's Oscar nominations:

TRIPLE THREAT: Bradley Cooper's nomination for his leading role in "American Sniper" is his third consecutive acting nod, following nominations for "American Hustle" in 2014 and "Silver Linings Playbook" in 2013. The previous performers to three-peat were Renee Zellweger ("Bridget Jones' Diary," "Chicago," "Cold Mountain") and Russell Crowe ("The Insider," "Gladiator," "A Beautiful Mind").

EIGHT IS ENOUGH: For the first time since the academy expanded possible best-picture nominees to 10 contenders in 2009, just eight films are up for the top prize in 2015. There were 10 contenders in 2009, 2010 and 2011, while nine films vied for the trophy in 2012, 2013 and 2014. The academy tweaked the rule in 2011 that films must receive a certain amount of first-place votes to receive best-picture consideration.

GOING FOR GOLD: "Into the Woods" costume designer Colleen Atwood and "Unbroken" cinematographer Roger Deakins have the most nods in their respective categories for living folks. Atwood is at 11, while Deakins has 12. However, both have a few ceremonies to go before topping late costume designer Edith Head (35 nominations) or cinematographers Charles B. Lang Jr. and Leon Shamroy (18 nods).

FIRST TIMERS: In the acting categories, almost half of the nominees are up for their very first Academy Award, including Steve Carell ("Foxcatcher"), Benedict Cumberbatch ("The Imitation Game"), Michael Keaton and Emma Stone ("Birdman"), J.K. Simmons ("Whiplash"), Eddie Redmayne and Felicity Jones ("The Theory of Everything"), Rosamund Pike ("Gone Girl") and Patricia Arquette ("Boyhood").

11 SHADES OF GREY: "Ida" is the 11th predominantly black-and-white film to be nominated for a cinematography award since 1967, when the separate black-and-white category was eliminated. "Ida" joins "In Cold Blood," "The Last Picture Show," "Lenny," "Raging Bull," "Zelig," "Schindler's List," "The Man Who Wasn't There," "Good Night, and Good Luck," "The White Ribbon" and "The Artist."

Source: The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

'Boyhood,' Keaton, Moore are Oscar favorites in Vegas

LAS VEGAS — Las Vegas oddsmakers said Thursday that "Boyhood" is the favorite to win the Academy Award for best picture, and Michael Keaton and Julianne Moore are the top picks for acting honors.

Johnny Avello, head of the Wynn Las Vegas sports book, said he thinks Oscar voters favor unusual movies such as "Boyhood," a coming-of-age tale covering 12 years of a boy's life.

He makes "Boyhood" a 2-5 favorite over "The Imitation Game," at 7-1.

Benjamin Eckstein, president of the America's Line odds column, made "Boyhood" a 1-2 favorite over "The Grand Budapest Hotel," at 7-1.

The odds were issued only for entertainment purposes. Nevada doesn't allow actual wagering on the Oscars.

Avello and Eckstein both gave Keaton a slight edge to win best actor for "Birdman" over Eddie Redmayne in "The Theory of Everything."

They also made Moore a strong favorite for best actress in "Still Alice" over Reese Witherspoon in "Wild."

The awards will be presented Feb. 22 in Los Angeles.

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In this Sept. 24, 2013, file photo, a man steadies himself as he and others work on framing new houses in Odessa. Crude oil prices have crashed since June, falling by more than 54 percent to less than $50 a barrel. That swift drop has started to cripple job growth in oil country, creating a slow wave that in the years ahead may devastate what has been a thriving real estate market, according to new analysis by the real estate firm Trulia.

Oil bust will hurt housing in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana

By Josh Boak
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The oil boom that lifted home prices in Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana is coming to an end.

Crude oil prices have crashed since June, falling by more than 54 percent to less than $50 a barrel. That swift drop has started to cripple job growth in oil country, creating a slow wave that in the years ahead may devastate what has been a thriving real estate market, according to new analysis by the real estate firm Trulia.

"Oil prices won't tank home prices immediately," Trulia chief economist Jed Kolko explained. "Rather, falling oil prices in the second half of 2014 might not have their biggest impact on home prices until late 2015 or in 2016."

History shows it takes time for home prices in oil country to change course.

Kolko looked at the 100 largest housing markets where the oil industry accounted for at least 2 percent of all jobs. Asking prices in those cities rose 10.5 percent over the past year, compared with an average of 7.7 percent around the country.

Prices climbed 13.4 percent in Houston, where 5.6 percent of all jobs are in oil-related industries. The city is headquarters to energy heavyweights such as Phillips 66, Halliburton and Marathon Oil. Asking prices surged 10.2 percent in Fort Worth and 10.1 percent in Tulsa, Oklahoma. In some smaller markets, oil is overwhelmingly dominant — responsible for more than 30 percent of the jobs in Midland for instance.

The closest parallel to the Texas housing market might have occurred in the mid-1980s, when CBS was airing the prime-time soap opera "Dallas" about a family of oil tycoons.

In the first half of 1986, oil prices plunged more than 50 percent, to about $12 a barrel, according to a report by the Brookings Institution, a Washington-based think tank.

Job losses mounted in late 1986 around Houston. The loss of salaries eventually caused home prices to fall in the second half of 1987.

That led Kolko to conclude that since 1980, it takes roughly two years for changes in oil prices to hit home prices.

Of course, there is positive news for people living outside oil country, Kolko notes.

Falling oil prices lead to cheaper gasoline costs that reduce family expenses, freeing up more cash to spend.

"In the Northeast and Midwest especially, home prices tend to rise after oil prices fall," he writes in the analysis.

Kudzu bugs spread into Delaware, Arkansas

By Janet McConnaughey
Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — The pea-sized bugs look a bit like ticks, can suck one-fifth of the yield out of a soybean field, and travel by highway. In the 5 1/2 years since they were first spotted in Georgia, kudzu bugs have spread 400 to 500 miles west and north — as far as Louisiana, Arkansas, Washington, D.C., and its suburbs, and southern Delaware.

"We don't know any way to stop it," said Blake Layton, a Mississippi State University entomologist.

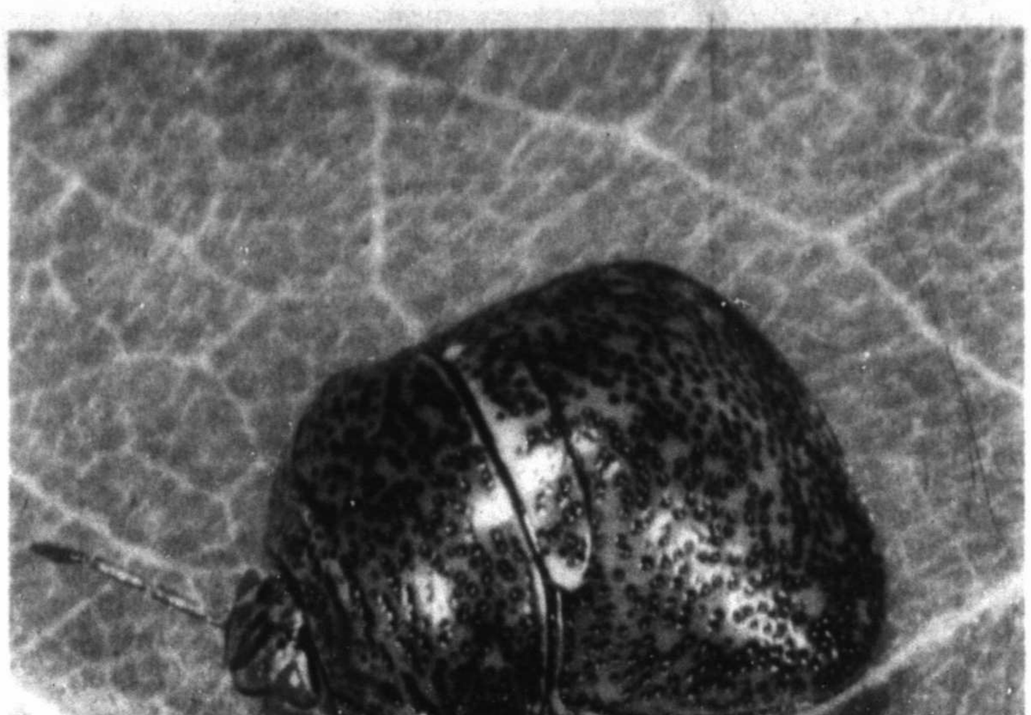
Kudzu bugs range from green to a brown so dark it's almost black. They look a bit like ticks and a bit like dark ladybugs with squareish backsides. Like their cousins the stinkbugs, they stink. Some people said the smell is fruitier than stinkbugs' stench; others said it's far more pungent.

Ultimately, cold winters and lack of kudzu probably will decide just how far kudzu bugs spread, said Wayne Gardner, an entomology professor at the University of Georgia.

Their favorite food is kudzu, but they can also get through Southern winters on soybean plants, Gardner said. "But then you've got to factor in temperature. In Minnesota or the Midwest, I'm not sure the bugs are going to survive," he said.

They've spread far and fast by hitching rides. They're attracted to light colors, especially white. If a white truck, RV or car stops near a soybean field or kudzu patch, it is likely to carry at least a few, which will alight at any stop near their favored plants or wisteria, another Asian import.

It only takes one. Every kudzu bug in the country carries the genes of a single female that apparently traveled from Asia by air, since the first sighting was not far from Atlanta's Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport.



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This Sept. 21, 2012, photo made available by Mississippi State University shows an adult kudzu bug on a leaf. The invasive insects feed on kudzu and soybean plants and can irritate human skin upon contact. In the 5 1/2 years since kudzu bugs were first spotted in Georgia, they have spread 400 to 500 miles west and north. They've been found in Louisiana, Arkansas, Washington, D.C., and its suburbs, and in southern Delaware. Scientists don't know how to stop the spread.

Gardner said last year's cold winter and spring seem to have slowed the spread.

About 30 counties reported their first infestations last year — about one-quarter the number that did so in 2013, according to a map of the insect's spread since the summer of 2009. Last year's new locations included 15 Mississippi counties and nine in Louisiana, with Virginia, Florida, Arkansas, Alabama, and Kentucky each reporting one or two.

So far this winter, Gardner said, there hasn't been enough prolonged cold to slow them again.

The bugs tolerate cold better than fire ants, which aren't much of a problem north of the Mason-Dixon Line, noted John Coccaro, an Agricultural Extension Service agent in Warren County, where they were first sighted in Mississippi.

He said his office in Vicksburg gets flooded in the fall by calls about kudzu bug home invasions.

"If you swat at them they stink and make a mess, stain your furniture," he said.

Though eradication may be impossible, kudzu bugs can be controlled, entomologists say. They've done less damage than stinkbugs to Louisiana's soybeans and can be killed by the same pesticides, said Sebe Brown, an assistant area agent for the LSU AgCenter in north Louisiana.

As with ladybugs, any that get indoors should be vacuumed up, Coccaro said.

To keep them out, homeowners can caulk cracks, make sure screens don't have holes and take other steps used to keep ladybugs and mosquitoes outside.

Gardner said kudzu bugs aren't as big an indoor problem as ladybugs.

"These things generally don't like to go into dark places. They don't seem to overwinter in attics like ladybeetles do," he said.

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5 things to know about tax filing and Obama's health law

By Stephen Ohlemacher
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The IRS is cutting taxpayer services just as President Barack Obama's health law is making filing a tax return more complicated.

The agency blames budget cuts enacted by Congress. An IRS watchdog said service problems at the tax agency will make complying with the law harder for well-intentioned taxpayers.

"Without adequate support, many taxpayers will be frustrated, some will make potentially costly mistakes, others will incur higher compliance costs when forced to seek information and assistance from tax professionals," said Nina E. Olson, the National Taxpayer Advocate, an independent office within the IRS.

"Still others," Olson said, "will simply give up and not file."

Olson released her annual report to Congress Wednesday, less than a week before the start of tax filing season on Tuesday.

Five things to know about the tax filing season:

Why is it getting harder to file a tax return?

For the first time, tax filers will have to report information about their health insurance during the previous year. For most people who get health coverage through work or through government programs like Medicaid, it will mean simply checking a box.

Others who got insurance through state and federal marketplaces will have to file a new form, while people who received subsidies will have to provide more detailed information.

People who didn't have health insurance last year face fines unless they qualify for a waiver, which requires more paperwork.

The subsidies were based on projected incomes, so families will need to report if actual incomes were higher or lower. If higher, they might have to pay back some of the subsidy, either through a smaller tax refund or a payment.

If their incomes were lower, they might qualify for a larger tax refund.

Why can't the IRS answer my questions when I call?

The tax agency says only half of the 100 million people expected to call this year will be able to reach a person.

Callers who do get through may have to wait on hold for 30 minutes or more to talk to someone who will answer only the simplest questions.

IRS Commissioner John Koskinen said budget cuts are forcing the agency to reduce taxpayer services and other functions.

Congress cut the IRS by $346 million for the budget year that ends Sept. 30. Koskinen said the agency's $10.9 billion budget is its lowest since 2008. When adjusted for inflation, the budget hasn't been this low since 1998, he said.

Why did Congres cut the IRS budget?

Republicans in Congress adamantly oppose Obama's health law, so some have been working to starve the IRS of funds just as its role in implementing the law ramps up.

It won't work, Koskinen said in an interview. The agency, he said, is required by law to help implement the health program. "The only places we have discretion are in information technology, tax enforcement, customer service."

Where can I get help filing my tax return?

The IRS wants you to visit its website. The agency has devoted a section to answering questions about the health law: www.irs.gov/Affordable-Care-Act .

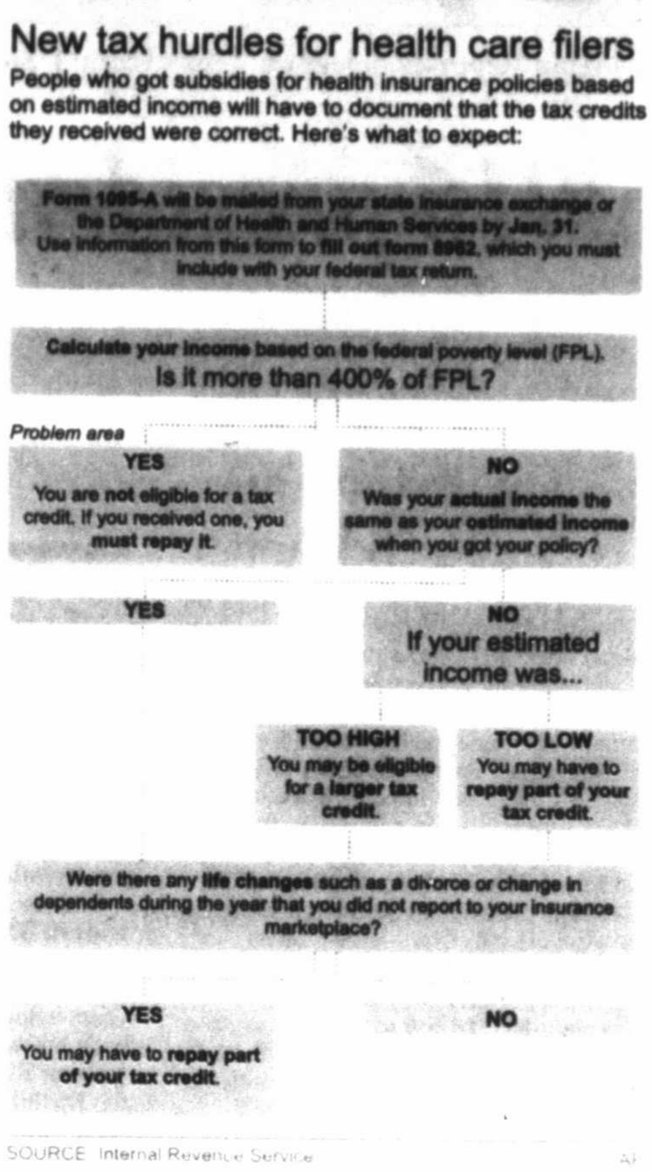
The IRS website includes videos, tax tips and frequently asked questions about the health law.

Koskinen's advice to taxpayers with questions: Don't call the IRS unless you absolutely have to.

More than half of all filers pay someone to prepare their returns. Private tax preparers, such as H&R Block, also have websites with information about the health law.

Will the IRS budget cuts reduce my chance of getting audited?

Yes. Last year, the IRS had fewer agents auditing returns than at any time since at least the 1980s. This year the number of agents will be cut again — by about 1,800 agents, Koskinen said.



Growers struggle with glut of legal pot in Washington state

By Gene Johnson
Associated Press

SEATTLE — Washington's legal marijuana market opened last summer to a dearth of weed. Some stores periodically closed because they didn't have pot to sell. Prices were through the roof.

Six months later, the equation has flipped, bringing serious growing pains to the new industry.

A big harvest of sun-grown marijuana from eastern Washington last fall flooded the market. Prices are starting to come down in the state's licensed pot shops, but due to the glut, growers are — surprisingly — struggling to sell their marijuana. Some are already worried about going belly-up, finding it tougher than expected to make a living in legal weed.

"It's an economic nightmare," said Andrew Seitz, general manager at Dutch Brothers Farms in Seattle.

State data show that licensed growers had harvested 31,000 pounds of bud as of Thursday, but Washington's relatively few legal pot shops have sold less than one-fifth of that. Many of the state's marijuana users have stuck with the untaxed or much-lesser-taxed pot they get from black market dealers or unregulated medical dispensaries — limiting how quickly product moves off the shelves of legal stores.

"Every grower I know has got surplus inventory and they're concerned about it," said Scott Masengill, who has sold half of the 280 pounds he harvested from his pot farm in central Washington. "I don't know anybody getting rich."

Officials at the state Liquor Control Board, which regulates marijuana, aren't terribly concerned.

So far, there are about 270 licensed growers in Washington — but only about 85 open stores for them to sell to. That's partly due to a slow, difficult licensing process; retail applicants who haven't been ready to open; and pot business bans in many cities and counties.

The board's legal pot project manager, Randy Simmons, said he hopes about 100 more stores will open in the next few months, providing additional outlets for the weed that's been harvested. Washington is always likely to have a glut of marijuana after the outdoor crop comes in each fall, he suggested, as the outdoor growers typically harvest one big crop which they continue to sell throughout the year.

Weed is still pricey at the state's pot shops — often in the $23-to-$25-per-gram range. That's about twice the cost at medical dispensaries, but cheaper than it was a few months ago.

Simmons said he expects pot prices to keep fluctuating for the next year and a half. "It's the volatility of a new marketplace."

Colorado, the only other state with legal marijuana sales, has a differently structured industry. Regulators have kept a lid on production, though those limits were loosened last fall as part of a planned expansion of the market. Colorado growers still have to prove legal demand for their product, a regulatory curb aimed at preventing excess weed from spilling to other states. The result has been more demand than supply.

In Washington, many growers have unrealistic expectations about how quickly they should be able to recoup their initial investments, Simmons said. And some of the growers complaining about the low prices they're getting now also gouged the new stores amid shortages last summer.

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OPINION

2016 presidential contest will lack freshness

■ Bush, Clinton, Romney? This isn't a campaign; it is a rerun

DANA MILBANK
Washington Post Writers Group

"Romney Recycled" was the headline atop a Wall Street Journal editorial last week lamenting Mitt Romney's intimations that he will make a third run at the presidency in 2016.

The conservative editorialists were right to dread another election about Romney-care and the 47 percent. But why pick on Romney? Overall, 2016 is shaping up to be the year of the retreads: the reduce, reuse and recycle election.

This will be the seventh presidential campaign I've covered in some form, starting with a bit role in 1992. If the field develops the way it appears to be, this will be my fourth Clinton campaign, fourth Bush campaign, third Romney campaign, third Paul campaign, second Huckabee campaign and second Santorum campaign. This isn't an election — it's a rerun.

The likely slate of candidates will include the son of a governor and presidential candidate, the son of a congressman and presidential candidate, the wife of a president, and the brother of a president, son of a president and grandson of a senator. Nearly two and a half centuries after rebelling against the monarchy, our presidential contest has all the freshness of the House of Lords. Even the British royals have done a better job at bringing in new blood: Kate, the future queen, was a commoner.

The hereditary nature of the presidential race isn't the disease but a symptom of our empty politics. In the absence of ideas and popular passion — the sort of spirit that briefly captured the nation's imagination in 2008 — winning becomes about name recognition and celebrity. Known brands rate highly in early polls, which brings in money, which leads to victory.

That is why, if a Clinton or a Bush wins in 2016 and is re-elected in 2020, a member of one of those two families will have been president for 28 of 36 years since 1989. Incredibly, Republicans have not won the presidency since 1928 without Richard Nixon or a member of the Bush family on the ticket, and if Jeb Bush is the Republican nominee, the streak will approach the century mark. By that time, George P. Bush, Jeb's son and the newly elected Texas land commissioner, will be ready to take over the family business.

Dynastic politics is nothing new in this ostensibly meritocratic land, going back to John Quincy Adams and continuing through the Roosevelts and Tafts and Kennedys. A 2009 academic study found that, since the beginning of the republic, 8.7 percent of members of Congress had a relative who previously served in the body. The percentage has declined over time, but a 2010 article in Legislative Studies Quarterly found that kin of officeholders continue to have large "brand name advantages" allowing them to raise more money and achieve more success with less experience.

Next-generation Democratic candidates Nunn and Carter lost campaigns in Republican Georgia in November, but new Rep. Debbie Dingell, D-Mich., succeeded her husband John, dean of the House, who succeeded his father in 1955. Think the tea party stopped such entitlement? Firebrand Sen. Mike Lee, R-Utah, is the son of Rex Lee, solicitor general in the Reagan administration. And Sen. Rand Paul, R-Ky., owes his rise almost entirely to his father, Ron.

The problem isn't DNA but the dominance of name recognition over everything else in politics. This is why incumbents usually win, why Al Franken is in the Senate and why reality TV star Sean Duffy is in the House. This is also what threatens to make the 2016 presidential election so tedious.

The big names are big because we know them from their previous runs, or because of their relatives' runs, for the same office. Their presence in the race virtually guarantees we'll be revisiting Whitewater and Monica Lewinsky, the Iraq War and torture, Rafalca the dancing dressage horse and poor Seamus strapped to a car roof, Huckabee's guitar and waistline, and Santorum's sweaters. It's almost enough to make Ted Cruz look appealing.

Barack Obama, offering a fresh face and a (hitherto unfulfilled) change in direction, gave temporary relief to the tedium in 2008, when voter turnout reached 61.6 percent, the highest since 1968, according to the United States Election Project. Turnout in November's midterms, by contrast, was 35.9 percent, the lowest since 1942, continuing a long decline. A 2016 campaign of reruns isn't going to reverse the pattern.

Bush family matriarch Barbara Bush said last year, before her son Jeb began to make noises about a run: "If we can't find more than two or three families to run for higher office, that's silly. ... I refuse to accept that this great country isn't raising other wonderful people."

It is. But they're being crowded out by the tyranny of celebrity.

OUR VIEW

Craddick makes history with run, deserves every encore he can muster

Congratulations to Tom Craddick. Our state representative, Tom Craddick — who resides in Midland — made history again last week by becoming the longest-serving legislator in state history.

Craddick has served six different decades going back to 1969 and should he finish this session and serve one more, he will have represented the people of Midland County in the state House for 50 years. Along the way, he has led a conservative movement that helped the state turn red, he became the first Republican speaker of the House in 130 years and he witnessed his daughter, Christi, become elected to the Railroad Commission. It has been quite a run.

Some may argue that he is poster child for term limits. We say term limits are put into place to help those who complain about their representation but are too uneducated about the process and too lazy to vote in the first place. Craddick has survived every opportunity that voters of Midland and surrounding counties have had to vote him out, going back to 1970. He must be doing something right.

And barring the unforeseen, we think he will provide the leadership expected by residents of Midland County and other counties of District 82. And that is just fine with us.

Rick Perry the centrist? It's pretty funny to read that Texas Gov. Rick Perry in his farewell address called for both parties to work together. While the sentiment is admirable, you have to take any comments from Perry with a grain of salt. Whatever direction the wind blows is probably the direction that the presidential hopeful will go. A Democrat, a conservative, a tea partier and now the conciliatory candidate — that's Perry, and it remains to be seen if the Republican Party is better for it.

If and when he runs for president, we'll see if he can win on the issues and not on a torched earth campaign style. It failed in 2012. Our expectation is it will be the same in 2016. For those who supported Perry, you got what you wanted for more than a decade. In our view, the time for him to have stepped aside for the next in line of Republican leaders was years ago. But better late than never.

Quick takes: We saw Sen. Ted Cruz was named the chair of the Senate Subcommittee on Space, Science and Competitiveness. Should it matter in Midland — future home of XCOR and the Spaceport Business Park — that a Texan was named chair of this committee? Yes, it should. ... We still hold out hope that Lt. Gov.-elect Dan Patrick will select Kel Seliger to head the Senate Education Committee.

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"BUSINESS IS BOOMING!"

Of course, it has to do with Islam

■ The administation isn't fooling anyone with its comments that radical Islam isn't part of the problem

RICH LOWRY
King Features Syndicate

It is settled: The Paris terror attacks had almost nothing to do with Islam.

Consider that on the one hand, you have the chilling new tape of the Charlie Hebdo attackers declaring, "We have avenged the Prophet Muhammad," and on the other, you have the tortured assurances of White House spokesman Josh Earnest. Which are you going to believe?

The Obama administration's mind-bogglingly determined refusal to say that we are at war with "radical Islam," together with the left's evasions about Islamic terrorism, means that there has been a haze of euphemism around what should be a galvanizing event in the West's fight against terror.

In the aftermath of the attack, Howard Dean opined on "Morning Joe" that the Muslims who had killed the staff of Charlie Hebdo aren't Muslims. Not usually known as a leading Orientalist, the former Vermont governor shared his interpretation of one of the world's leading Islamic terror groups: "I think ISIS is a cult. Not an Islamic cult. I think it's a cult."

Dean didn't specify what kind of cult ISIS is, if not Islamic. Or what otherwise accounts for its strange obsession with taking over territory in Syria and Iraq to establish a caliphate and to impose a harsh version of Islamic law.

Obviously, not all Muslims, or even a majority of them, support terrorism. We don't want to be needlessly insulting to Muslims or alienate allies in the Muslim world. But it is possible to avoid those pitfalls and still be truthful.

Asked why the administration won't say we are at war with radical Islam, Earnest explained that the administration's first concern "is accuracy. We want to describe exactly what happened. These are individuals who carried out an act of terrorism, and they *later* tried to justify that act of terrorism by invoking the religion of Islam and their own deviant view of it" (emphasis added).

This makes it sound as if the Charlie Hebdo terrorists set out to commit a random act of violent extremism and only subsequently, when they realized that they needed some justification, did they reach for Islam.

It was in this spirit that State Department deputy spokesperson Marie Harf said that the militants of Boko Haram "*claim* to be active in the name of Islam" (emphasis added). So add alleged insincerity to the list of offenses that can be attributed to the hideous group formally known as People Committed to the Propagation of the Prophet's Teachings and Jihad.

Perhaps the administration's highest-profile initiative in response to Paris is a Summit on Countering Violent Extremists. Who are these extremists? They could be anybody, to believe the administration. It is true that you will always have random haters and nuts, and that there are a few non-Islamic groups on the State Department terrorism list.

But they aren't top of mind, and for good reason. The Japanese cult Aum Shinrikyo isn't launching attacks on the West. Basque terrorists aren't recruiting would-be operatives around the world (in fact, the ETA has declared a cease-fire).

One of the key differences between random killers and Islamic terrorists is that the latter have a significant physical and ideological infrastructure behind them, including terror groups that hold territory and Islamic authorities who justify jihad.

The late Ayatollah Khomeini didn't think Islam is what we would understand as a religion of peace. Was Khomeini, notwithstanding his leadership of the Islamic Republic of Iran, not a Muslim?

Saudi Arabia, the Sunni counterpart of Shia Iran that also imagines itself the keeper of the faith, promotes a harsh version of Islam that has proved a potent breeding ground for terrorism. Are the Saudis not Muslim, either?

There is a broad war of ideas within Islam between the forces of reaction and violence and the forces of moderation and modernity. The threat of radical Islam won't diminish until that war is won, no matter how much the U.S. government wants to obscure it with its verbal fog machine.

From the Left | Doonesbury

From the Right | Mallard Fillmore

Downtown revitalization is good; a touch of Austin? Not so much

CLIFFORD SANDEN
Midland resident

Midland residents,

In a special City Council meeting Dec. 2, a San Antonio architectural firm presented its plans for redevelopment of the Courthouse Square with the Hotel Santa Rita No. 1. The plan included razing the courthouse and replacing it with a new hotel.

The following Tuesday at the regular Council meeting, the Council considered Agenda Item 62. I objected to Item 62, which explicitly stated that City Council would negotiate exclusively with Hotel Santa Rita No. 1 Midland Partners LLC for the development of the downtown property. I understand that this resolution is non-binding, but as stated it authorizes our mayor to express the intent of exclusivity to the company.

I objected for two primary reasons:

1. Exclusivity inherently will reduce competition, muting both resident and market inputs to develop — or redevelop — the downtown area.

2. The hotel as currently planned and proposed at the meeting in the Midland Center last Tuesday is unsightly, and its Austin character has no place in Midland.

The City Council passed Item 62, "approved and amended." Only Councilman Spencer Robnett voted against the resolution, questioning how exclusivity adds value to the city's project. As of this writing, the amended text that was passed is not posted on midlandtexas.gov. Neither presentation nor minutes from the architect's visit are posted or made public. City of Midland government is pulling a fast one over residents, advancing a project that has had little public awareness, let alone approval. Fourteen days elapsed from the architectural proposal to the city voicing its intent for exclusivity. While such an agreement is common in business transactions and agreements of large scale like this one, this observation is irrelevant here. The city is planning to use public dollars on public land; there has been no public assessment on the character of the design, the integrity of the firm or even what the best plan of action is to develop downtown.

Downtown development needs to be based on the character and comparative advantages of Midland. While I am in favor of encouraging development and adding new blood to downtown Midland, this particular hotel as proposed is an inferior way to execute the plan. I am not categorically opposed to a new hotel; competition will definitely improve the consumer experience at the lone downtown hotel.

Tim Blonkvist of Overland Partners specifically mentioned that the Hotel Santa Rita No. 1 would bring a piece of Austin to Midland. Midlanders love to go to Austin and see the hills, trees, meander down Rainey Street, go to the lake, etc. These vibes can only be brought back in memory and no hotel development can bring these.

The city of Midland has a golden opportunity — grossly underutilized during the past six years — to capitalize on what makes Midland unique and to make the city even more attractive. It is said of Midland, "You cry when you get here, and you cry when you leave." People are sad to leave the friends, churches, convenience, family values, conservatism and conviviality. This is Midland. Austin can keep its hippies, traffic, carbon emission caps and Gaia worshiping sustainability. Had Blonkvist said he wanted to bring a piece of Odessa to Midland, would we find that palatable? The hotel as planned is not for Midland, does not represent Midland and does not belong in Midland.

West Texas is the big sky, wide open roads, manicured lawns in front of ranch homes with a courthouse and town square in the middle of town, neighbored by attractive and majestic First Baptist, United Methodist and Presbyterian churches. Midland has all this plus tremendous prosperity and career opportunities in white- and blue-collar jobs alike. This hotel is nothing more than a truncated Energy Tower, but with even less curb appeal. Hotel Settles in Big Spring, Hotel Paisano in Marfa, Hotel Capitan in Van Horn: these unique and charming hotels are what we ought to be reaching for in Midland.

I applaud the city for (finally) making an effort to revitalize downtown. I propose City Council publicly rescind its intent for exclusivity, allow other firms and residents to present their ideas and seek public comment on how to redevelop downtown.

New hotel and the plaza project: Big pieces to Midland's downtown revitalization puzzle

SCOTT DUFFORD
At-large city councilman

We have a very unique opportunity at this time in the history of our city thanks to the technological advances that have been made in the oil industry over the past five years to finally restore our downtown to what it once represented: a thriving, dynamic and vibrant place.

Generations ago, everyone went downtown to shop, dine, drink coffee or close a business deal at the Scharbauer Hotel. We have an opportunity to experience that same sense of place and community with the proposed construction of the Santa Rita No. 1 Hotel on the old courthouse site if an agreement can be reached between the local developers of the project and the city of Midland before March 31. The hotel, along with making improvements and adding more amenities to Centennial Plaza, would be just the booster shot our downtown needs to continue its quest of becoming a thriving and more energetic place.

The projected $100 million mixed-use development will deliver a boutique four-star hotel, multiple high-rise residences, apartments, offices, meeting rooms, restaurants, lounges, a full-service spa and fitness center, an epicurean market and a two-level, 467-space underground parking facility with half of the spaces being available for public use. Included in the cost of the proposed $100 million project are improvements to Centennial Plaza that will transform it into an attractive open space that I see hosting a wide variety of public events — such as outdoor markets, concerts and street vendors — that will help breathe new life into our downtown. When complete, the combined project will become the landmark element of our city that will serve as a central walking, resting and meeting place for young and old alike. In addition, the combined project will give all of us who work downtown a reason to stay and linger a little longer after work.

Here are a few things we as a community can do and still not compromise our core conservative principles and beliefs (and in some instances are doing) to encourage continued investment into our downtown:

1. We need to encourage more foot traffic. Helping our city create that "buzz" often found in vibrant downtowns across the United States will help bring in new development and investment. Mixed-use projects like the proposed Santa Rita No. 1 Hotel and the Centennial Plaza Project will absolutely help in that aspect.

2. We, at City Hall, need to remove obstacles to development and promote incentives to invest in our downtown. We have under-used land and dilapidated buildings that could become new office, residential, dining and shopping venues and not continue to be the eyesores they have become.

3. The public sector needs to contribute to these efforts by investing in public improvements and upgrades to our already existing infrastructure such as utilities, streets and sidewalks, participating in the upsizing of parking garages to increase the number of spaces made available to the public, paying for enhancements to our park and open spaces, as well as contributing to new street lighting and landscaping where applicable.

Something important to note about undertaking revitalization efforts of a deteriorating downtown in any community: Successful revitalizations are linked to cooperation between the public and private sectors. We, as a community, must come together and demonstrate a real commitment to our downtown and realize that our investments made now will pay dividends back to the community in the future through increased tax revenues. Our downtown represents a significant portion of our tax base. If properties in our downtown area decline, values also decline, eventually leading to an increasing tax burden on other parts of our community.

Without a cooperative partnership between the public and private sectors, not much will happen in our downtown because it is easier and much less expensive for developers to purchase and develop raw land. That is why there needs to be a relationship between the public and the private sectors. By working in partnership with developers, we essentially level the playing field by making it just as attractive for them to invest their dollars downtown as it would be for them to purchase and develop raw land on the north, south, east or west sides of our city.

Now is not the time to stop the process of revitalizing our downtown. Our downtown is a reflection of how, as a community, we see ourselves, which is a critical factor in business retention and recruitment. When a business begins looking at a community as a possible location to set up shop, one of the aspects they take a hard look at is quality of life. Included in that quality of life is interest in downtown — is it alive and vibrant or does it represent a disinterest by the community? We cannot afford to let the latter happen. Some individuals in our community want to stop the momentum for whatever reason. It could be that they like the look of our vacant, dilapidated buildings with boarded-up windows that occupy our skyline, or maybe they like the "ghost town" feel of our downtown after 5 o'clock. I'll never know.

But what I do know is that momentum in this community is on the side of revitalization and progress. Let's go. Let's get it done and finish what was started by former elected officials (past mayors, council members and community leaders) more than a decade ago. The complete revitalization of our downtown is within our reach, and now is the time to invest our dollars and energy into turning our downtown into the thriving center it used to be and into something we can all be proud of.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Check policy for ice storm coverage

During our recent ice storm, our neighbor's oak tree fell onto three vehicles at our house. Neighbors filed a claim with their insurance company the next day.

The insurance company's claims representative called me and asked dumb questions (in my opinion) such as, "Did the tree look like there were problems with it prior to storm, etc?" The final decision was that they would not cover this incident because of it being "an act of nature."

What is the purpose of having insurance if insurance companies do not want to cover claims except those they want to? Now this is going to lead to a lawsuit and numerous expenses for both parties. You might want to check your insurance policy and see if you are covered should this happen to you.

Mike Stewart

Is 'truth' supported by 'facts?'

So now it is IQ scores? If smoking weed during adolescence causes lower IQ scores, that would make me an Einstein. I smoked weed daily all through high school and right up to the point that I had my IQ tested at age 20; I scored 142.

Where do you get your "facts," or do you just repeat what has been said for years so that it becomes the "truth" with no facts to back it up?

Emerson Stone

MFD, MPD deserve praise, respect

In response to the letter written by a person commenting about our uniformed firemen trimming tree tops at a specific address, I would like to know if she researched the reasons why they were there before placing our heroes in such a negative situation. How petty can you be?

Perhaps they were trimming branches that were a threat of falling on power lines, which prevents fires from live wires and power outages. After all, they are city of Midland employees and perform numerous benefits around our community that we may never be aware of. Who knows, your home may be free of a future power outage because of their work behind the scenes.

Our men and women who serve this community by being on the fire and police departments deserve our utmost praise, respect, appreciation, gratitude and prayers. After all, they place their lives on the line for us every day.

Good job! Kudos! Keep up your good work. And be blessed.

E. Kay Courtney

US needs to fight until terrorists stopped

I, like Michelle Obama, am ashamed to be an American, but for different reasons. Our candidates for the presidential office in 2016 have to understand that we are at war with Islamic terrorism.

It makes no difference whether you want to declare the war on terror over or whether you want to bury your head in the sand. Our country, our ideas and Western civilization is at war with Islamic terrorism. Even though you may have declared the war on terror is over, it is not over with us. We are and will continue to be under attack by these Islamic terrorists until they are stopped.

From Charles the Hammer and the Crusades, leaders have known that the only way to stop Islamic terrorism is to cut off the money supply and to kill them until they stop terrorizing the rest of the world. From the shores of Tripoli to the ongoing battles against the jihadist terrorists, many Americans and our allies have understood this concept of destroying the terrorist onslaught.

All of those vying for the office of president in 2016 have to understand that this is not a war of our choosing, but one that has been forced on us and we need to fight it until we win conclusively. Our current president, in failing to send anyone of stature to France to join in the rally against terrorism, failed to do his duty as a leader of the free world. This is why I am ashamed to be an American today. I pray that our next president will reinstate the values and traits that made America great and will lead us and our allies to victory over the Islamic jihadist terrorists.

Dennis Walker

MMH seeks culture of ownership

If you haven't noticed or seen the transformation at Midland Memorial Hospital, you need to see it for yourself. The hospital is on a drive to create a culture of ownership.

They have trained 40 Master Certified Values coaches to help lay a solid foundation of authenticity, integrity, awareness, courage, perseverance and faith. They also are learning through five-day training how to train the rest of the staff taking effective action in purpose, vision, focus, enthusiasm, service and leadership. The process of training started, and all hospital staff will be trained in the next four months.

Satisfaction rates among patients are at all-time highs. Employees have reported a much happier environment. Midland Memorial staff are going the extra mile to help patients throughout the hospital. The mother of a hospital administrator was hospitalized at MMH a few years back and had a bad experience. She was recently hospitalized again and was so impressed by the culture and the service that her son contacted MMH to see what we are doing differently.

Ownership is becoming the norm at our hospital, rather than the exception. We are hoping these efforts will spill over to the rest of our community, dealing with many issues facing our teenagers — including suicide and drugs. These efforts wouldn't have been possible without the administration's full support. Kudos to all of them for the efforts. I am so proud to be part of this transformation and making Midland Memorial Hospital and Midland the healthiest community in Texas. If you are at MMH, please take the "pickle pledge" with many groups around the hospital.

Dr. Sari Nabulsi
MMH chief of staff

Mentors leave lasting legacy

January is National Mentoring Month, and I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all of the wonderful mentors in Midland — those who are in the Big Brothers Big Sisters program and those who mentor on their own or through other organizations. As part of an international charity that provides mentors for children facing adversity, we see firsthand the impact mentors can have in helping a child achieve his or her full potential, and I am grateful for each and every person who cares enough about Midland's children and the future of our community to take on this important role.

Forest E. Witcraft probably said it best: "100 years from now, it will not matter what my bank account was, the sort of house I lived in or the kind of car I drove ... but the world may be different because I was important in the life of a child."

If you have one hour a week to mentor a child, I urge you to consider volunteering with Big Brothers Big Sisters. Not only will you leave a lasting legacy, but I promise you'll get just as much out of the relationship as the child you're mentoring.

Kay Crites
Big Brothers Big Sisters executive director

Once dominant, State of Union address has competition

By Julie Pace and Nancy Benac
Associated Press

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Vice President Joe Biden and House Speaker John Boehner of Ohio listen as President Barack Obama gives his State of the Union address on Capitol Hill on Jan. 28, 2014. For the first time in his presidency, Obama stands before a Republican dominated Congress angry over his growing list of veto threats and opposed to the agenda he presents to them.

WASHINGTON — Before cable television, Netflix, YouTube and other attention-grabbers on the Internet, American presidents had little competition for viewers when they delivered their annual State of the Union address. But, oh, how the big night has changed.

Sure, the pageantry and theatrics of the annual presidential address will all be there when President Barack Obama stands before a joint session of Congress with a stem-winder of a speech Tuesday night. There will be standing ovations from his supporters, and strategic smirks and scowls from his opponents. Along with wall-to-wall media coverage and cable news countdown clocks.

But viewership is falling, with 20 million fewer people watching last year's State of the Union compared to Bill Clinton's address at the same point in his presidency. Congress rarely follows through on the policy proposals the president unveils. And this year, the battle lines between Obama and the new Republican-led Congress will have already been set before the president arrives on Capitol Hill for the annual address to a joint session of Congress and a television audience of millions.

The dwindling impact of the big speech has sent the White House searching for new ways to break through. It's now thinking of the State of the Union as an "organizing principle" rather than a single, communal event.

So instead of waiting until Tuesday night's address to announce new initiatives, Obama has spent the past two weeks unveiling them in a series of speeches around the country and social media posts. The White House is aiming to get people who don't tune in to the 8 p.m. address to catch up with at least parts of it later. And the president's first big post-speech interview will go not to a big newspaper or TV network but to YouTube, in hopes of capturing the attention of some of those less likely to have watched the actual speech.

"The environment is so cluttered that if you don't spread out your initiatives and unveil them in channels where people already are, like Facebook or Upworthy, then they're just going to get lost in the discussion," said Dan Pfeiffer, Obama's senior adviser. The impact of the speech isn't diminishing, he says, "but the nature of the experience is different."

Kathleen Hall Jamieson, director of the Annenberg Public Policy Center at the University of Pennsylvania, said the days of the eloquent speech are past.

"Eloquence requires an audience capable of sitting still and thinking and appreciating," she said. In the current environment, she added, "We don't have any time to think about the significance of the speech or to meditate on it. There's no reflective time."

For all of the White House's determination to capitalize on that changing media culture rather than fight it, Obama's voice will be part of a cacophony. That dilutes the value of his considerable strengths as an orator and makes it harder for him to commandeer the spotlight from competing forces.

Even the Republican response, once a single speech following the president's, has morphed into a multipronged rebuttal from politicians in different wings of the party.

"There's just too much confusing noise for the president to get a clear channel in the way that he once did," said speechwriter Jeff Shesol, who once helped write State of the Union addresses for Clinton.

Polls stretching back to Jimmy Carter's presidency show that State of the Union addresses have little effect on how Americans view the president, according to Gallup.

Presidents can still command a big audience when there's major news afoot — more than 56 million people tuned in on May 1, 2011, for Obama's last-minute speech at 11:35 p.m. announcing the death of Osama bin Laden, compared to 33 million for Obama's last State of the Union — but even clever media strategies can only do so much to boost interest in a lame-duck president when everyone knows his proposals aren't likely to go far in a Republican-controlled Congress.

Indeed, the flurry of proposals the White House has rolled out in advance of next week's address have largely been retreads of congressional legislation the president has already called for or relatively small-bore executive actions. One new legislative proposal — a call for making community college tuition free for some students — was immediately panned by Republicans.

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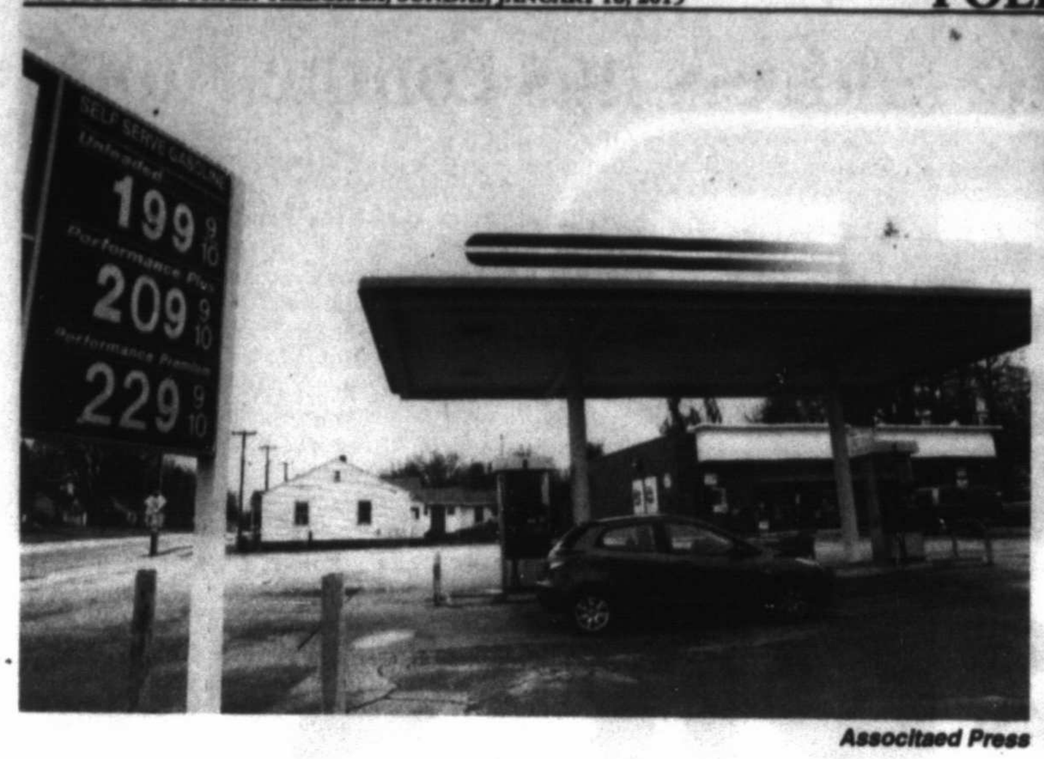

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A person gets fuel Wednesday after gas prices dropped below $2 a gallon at the Quick Mart in High Point, N.C.

Despite low gas prices, gas tax hike appears unlikely

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The new Republican-controlled Congress is facing an old problem: where to find the money for highway and transit programs.

With gasoline prices at their lowest in years when the new Congress convened, there had been talk that it might be time to raise federal gas and diesel taxes, which haven't budged in more than 20 years.

But already, GOP leaders are tamping down expectations, leaving no clear solution to the funding problem.

"I don't know of any support for a gas tax increase in Congress," Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas, the No. 2 Senate GOP leader, said flatly. Explained Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz.: "They don't want to vote for a tax increase."

House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, while not closing the door entirely, said there aren't enough votes in the House for a gas tax increase. Rep. Bill Shuster, R-Pa., the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee chairman, was equally doubtful.

"The president has ruled out a gas tax. I don't think there's a will in Congress, and the American people don't want it," Shuster recently told The Associated Press.

The gas tax, now 18.4 cents a gallon, and the diesel fuel tax, now 24.4 cents a gallon, were last increased in 1993. In the meantime, Americans are driving less per capita, cars are more fuel efficient and construction costs have gone up. Fuel taxes bring in about $34 billion a year to the federal Highway Trust Fund, but the government spends about $50 billion a year. The trust fund has been the main source of federal transportation aid to states for more than 60 years.

In that environment, two key GOP senators — Finance Committee Chairman Orrin Hatch of Utah and Environment and Public Works Committee Chairman James Inhofe of Oklahoma — had raised the hopes of transportation advocates by saying raising fuel taxes should be considered along with other funding options, using the more politically palatable term "user fees." But the idea appears to be a long shot at best.

Congress has kept transportation programs teetering on the edge of insolvency since 2008 by repeatedly transferring just enough funds from the general treasury — and making corresponding spending cuts elsewhere in the federal budget — to meet obligations for a few more months or, in one case, as long as two years. Finding acceptable spending cuts to offset the transfers gets more difficult each time.

The latest funding patch cleared Congress last August only about three hours before the Transportation Department said it would begin cutting back aid payments to states. That fix is only expected to last through May, when Congress will be back where it started unless lawmakers act sooner.

"The political support for increasing taxes to pay for transportation appears to be very limited," said Joshua Schank, president of the Eno Center for Transportation, a think tank.

A majority of Americans think the economic benefits of good transportation outweigh the cost, but they can't agree on how to pay for new highways or repairs of old ones. An Associated Press-GfK poll last summer, before the plunge in gas prices, showed 58 percent opposed raising federal gasoline taxes to pay for repair, replacement or expansion of roads and bridges. Only 14 percent supported an increase.

The lack of voter enthusiasm for raising gas taxes hasn't deterred die-hard gas tax supporters who say it is preferable to a one-time fix because it would ensure continued funding. Rep. Earl Blumenauer, D-Ore., issued a statement Thursday saying he intends to reintroduce a bill to raise fuel taxes 15 cents a gallon. He introduced a similar bill last year, but it wasn't considered by the GOP-controlled House. Blumenauer estimated the increase would raise an additional $210 billion over the next decade.

Obama condemns new Iran sanctions

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama came out swinging Friday against congressional attempts to slap fresh sanctions on Iran, warning such a move would likely destroy nuclear talks and increase prospects for a military showdown. Vowing to veto any sanctions that reach his desk, Obama pleaded, "Just hold your fire."

In an unusual move by a foreign leader, British Prime Minister David Cameron said he was personally calling U.S. senators to say that new sanctions would drive a wedge through international unity.

Standing side by side with Cameron at the White House, Obama said world powers would be sympathetic to Iran and would blame the U.S. if Congress moved ahead with more sanctions while fragile negotiations are under way. At that point, Obama argued, the world would lose its best chance to prevent Iran from obtaining a nuclear weapon.

"Congress should be aware that if this diplomatic solution fails, then the risks and likelihood that this ends up being at some point a military confrontation is heightened — and Congress will have to own that as well," Obama said in his most impassioned rebuke yet of the sanctions effort.

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"Hello. My name is Harry. I am in a wheelchair and am homeless. I am sick and don't think I'm going to live much longer. Please help me. I am just so sick. Call me please, and God bless you." We sometimes get calls on our helpline that rise above the usual call for assistance because of the utter desperation on the part of the caller. Needless to say, we called him immediately. We asked where he had spent the previous night. He told us that a kind couple had seen him trying to navigate his wheelchair down Highway 80 and had stopped to help him. On hearing his story these good Samaritans placed him in a motel for one week. He had no idea who they were. But the week was about to run out and the weather was so very cold outside. He told us that he is in a wheelchair due to the fact that his left leg was amputated as well as part of his right foot as a result of his diabetes. He had recently undergone a quadruple bypass due to advanced coronary disease, and he had had his sternum removed as a result of cancer of the bone. He told us that he lives in constant pain.

We visited him in his motel room because we had no intention of asking him to try to find a way to us. What we found was a poor, sickly, thin, emaciated man in his early 60's. He told us that he had lived in Odessa for several years, but when his Social Security was cut down to $566/month he could no longer afford the place where he had been staying. He came to Midland to be closer to his son who lives with his wife and three children in a small RV (so moving in with them was out of the question). The son does his best to get his father to doctor's appointments when he can get the time off from work, however he also is scraping to make a living and support his family.

We asked Harry if we could release him to Adult Protection Services since he clearly is in need of long term care. Harry told us that he is working with them – that as soon as he can find a place to live they will be able to transport him to and from a pain management doctor however he must have a stable address before Medicaid will cover the cost. The caseworker from Adult Protective Services had suggested that perhaps Harry be admitted into a nursing home, but he adamantly refused.

"My life span isn't too long. I know I don't have much time left at all, but I sure don't want to spend those last days in one of those places. Please, please help me find some kind of a solution."

While we agreed with the Adult Protective Services caseworker about the nursing home, we respected his wishes. We heard of some openings at Langtry Village and Hillcrest Manor, two facilities operated by the Midland County Housing Authority where rent is based on income. We gave Harry the phone numbers of both of those facilities and asked him to apply at both of them because that is the only option he has left short of a nursing home. He promised to make those calls that very afternoon.

We covered the cost of his motel room for one month to give him adequate time to obtain a room at one of those facilities and will keep in touch with him to chart his progress in finding shelter, and if necessary, we will assist with the cost of move-in. Please pray for this very sick man, that he finds a place to live and can live out the rest of his days in peace.

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State helps pay costs for 10 dead in prison bus wreck

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ODESSA — Texas will help pay for funeral and burial expenses for the two guards and eight inmates who were killed when a prison bus slid off an icy interstate and hit a moving freight train.

Up to $6,000 per person in final expenses are available through the State Office of Risk Management, the Odessa American reported.

State law provides up to $6,000 for funeral expenses for employees killed in the line of duty, according to Texas Department of Criminal Justice spokesman Jason Clark. He added that, given the circumstances, the department would help cover the expenses for the eight inmates who died.

A guard and four inmates survived Wednesday's crash in Penwell, west of Odessa, as the bus traveled from a corrections facility in Abilene to a unit in El Paso. The bus skidded off Interstate 20, went down an embankment and collided with a Union Pacific Railroad train. No train workers were hurt.

Officer Jason Self was still in critical condition Saturday at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

Of the four inmates at Medical Center Hospital in Odessa, Terry Johnson and Hector Rivera remained in critical condition, Damien Rodriguez was upgraded to serious condition and Remigio Pineda was listed in fair condition, according to Clark.

A funeral will be held Monday in Abilene for one of the corrections officers, Christopher Davis. The funeral for the second guard, Eligio Garcia, is scheduled for Jan. 24 also in Abilene, Clark said.

Chuck Moad, an investigator with the Ector County Medical Examiner's Office, said all 10 bodies were sent to Tarrant County for autopsies. Results are pending, but Moad said the injuries he saw were consistent with blunt force trauma.

Midland imbibes brews

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Patrons sample some of the craft and specialty beers at The Midland on Tap beer festival which was held Saturday, Jan. 17 at the CAF. The festival brings craft and specialty beers to the Tall City as part of America on Tap.

More inside

There's more to see from the Midland on Tap beer fetival, check out photos of the festivites inside.

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RYDER WARREN
MISD Superintendent

Midland needs more youth mental health resources

■ Community gets ball rolling on suicide prevention, but more can be done

I hope everyone had a very positive and safe Christmas Break. For our school staff, it was great to get time off, but I have also been very impressed with the energy everyone has as we've been back to school these last couple of weeks. Be proud of our kids and our school staff — both groups have come in and picked up the pace as we get ready for a busy spring semester.

It's hard to understand the number of challenges we have in MISD and in Midland. We have many folks out there nervously tracking the price of oil. We have our school board members and an awesome group of business and community leaders coming up with plans to improve the academic output of our students, because we are nowhere near Midland standards. We are also still dealing with cost of living issues that make it difficult for many of our young adults and families to support themselves in our community.

All of these challenges must be addressed, but the issue I feel we must all come together and face is the horrible reality we are in right now — too many of our young people are choosing to end their own lives. Before we left for our Christmas break, I made announcements

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Sweet friend had a heart for helping others

MELANIE NICHOLAS
MRT coulmnist

This was a sad week for me. My sweet friend, Jim McClatchy, passed away. Though I have known it was coming, the grief still took me by surprise. A lot of folks know Jim from back in the day when he operated McClatchy Bros. Inc. trucking company. Others knew him through his work with the Midland Jaycees and the community boards on which he served.

I had the good fortune to meet him 6 1/2 years ago at St. Luke's United Methodist Church. I started working there part-time after the birth of Little Son, and it was not unusual to see him coming into the church several days a week. He was the president of his Sunday school class for two decades, a tireless volunteer for the church's Building on Faith capital campaign and construction project and loved helping out with the Area Missions Outreach Services (AMOS) food pantry. When Jim came to the church, he always made sure to stop by everyone's office to check in on them or tell us a story from his week. He was a fastidious man, never a hair out of place, perfect clothes. Jim was kind and genuine, a true gentleman, quick to laugh and share a smile.

The thing that I loved the most about Jim — well, besides the fact that he always called me "young lady" — was how much he loved other people. If Jim told you he was glad to see you, he meant it. If he offered to do something for you, consider it done. He did all things with sincerity and because he loved serving others.

Jim also loved his life, especially his beautiful wife, Beverly. Beverly is an amazing hostess and cook, and he was puffed up like a pride soufflé when he stopped by my office to tell me that she and a friend were publishing their very own cookbook.

Jim was quite the dancer, as well. A few years ago, the Hubs and I were literally shamed off the floor at a wedding when the McClatchys decided to cut a rug. Man, could they move, and you couldn't miss the smile on his face as they wove and spun their way across the room. He took great pride in their home and enjoyed helping Beverly around the house and yard. Anyone who says men don't like to clean never met Jim, and he taught me his tricks for having sparkling windows.

The man was crazy, crazy, crazy in love with his "little granddaughter," Ashlyn. He couldn't wait to sing her praises, seeing as she is a bit of a "total package." A lot like her grandparents, really!

Jim also had a heart for those who needed help. Each year, St. Luke's hosts a trunk-or-treat Halloween event for the neighborhood kids. Many of those children don't have costumes, much less a fancy Pottery Barn treat bucket. They come in their school clothes clutching pillow cases or crumpled grocery sacks from Albertson's or the Dollar Store. When Jim realized the need, he paid to have Halloween goodie bags printed with Sunday school and children's ministry information to hand out to all the kids who attended. He wanted them to

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TERRY WILLIAMSON
Real life columnist

Amend resolutions if they're hard to follow

I'm well aware of the fact that we already are well into the month of January, but I'm already at the point of having to make some revisions to my New Year's resolutions.

I also know that many of you are in the same boat. We all have these great intentions of keeping our resolutions at the beginning of the year, only to see them evaporate like a wisp of smoke before we finish the first month.

This year I made five resolutions for the new year. It is now imperative that they have to be changed.

First, I will list the five original resolutions, and then I will list the five amended resolutions. As you will see, I tried to amend my resolutions so I had a chance of keeping them for the rest of the year.

OK, here's my first list:

■ **Keep to my diet**

I had every intention of making this work, but I got iced in on New Year's Eve with my four grandchildren, and I gained two pounds just trying to keep up with them in the junk food department.

■ **Exercise more**

Again, the ice storm got in the way, and I didn't feel much

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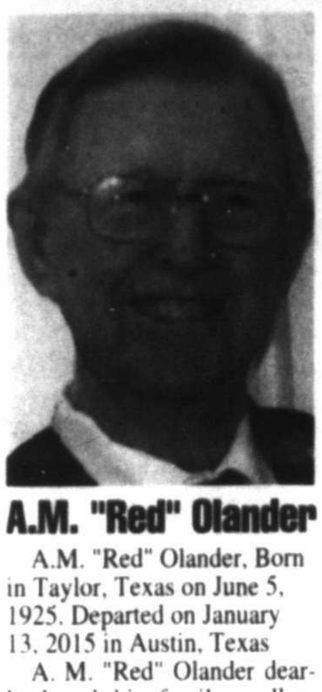

A.M. "Red" Olander

A.M. "Red" Olander, Born in Taylor, Texas on June 5, 1925. Departed on January 13, 2015 in Austin, Texas

A. M. "Red" Olander dearly loved his family, colleagues, and friends as they loved him. He loved and served his Savior Jesus Christ who received him into His care on Tuesday, January 13, 2015. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 59 years, Rose, his sister Johanna, and his son-in-law "Mac".

Born to Arthur and Ellen Olander on June 5, 1925 in Taylor, Texas, Red had one sister, Johanna Olander Wimberley. Graduating from Hutto High School, Red attended and graduated from the University of Texas with a degree in Geology. Red was a proud Longhorn! He also served in the U.S. Air Force. On August 6, 1949, Red married Rose Marie Ballerstedt of Austin, Texas.

Red began his career with Humble Oil and Refining Co. in 1948 after graduating from the University of Texas at Austin. Red's initial assignment was as a "computer" on seismic reflection crew, Party Six, in south Texas. He spent most of his career involved in seismic interpretation and was a strong advocate for the concept of integrating geophysical and geologic data in the development of petroleum prospects. Red retired as Chief Geophysicist of Exxon Co. USA in 1986 and was elected president of the Society of Exploration Geophysicists (SEG) in 1984. He considered that the high point of his exploration career. Red was fond of saying "It was amazing to me that a Swedish farm boy from Hutto, Texas was elected SEG President". In retirement, Red would often reminisce about his long association with Party Six, his work in the Gulf Coast Division, and his SEG presidency and always spoke fondly of the people he worked with.

Faithfully serving the Lord, Red served the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. on the local, state, and national level throughout his life. In churches in Florida, Louisiana and Texas, he was an elder and served in a variety of leadership capacities including but not limited to finance, stewardship, personnel, education, and pastor search committees. In addition, Red sang in the choir and led leadership training workshops on the local and state level. In the Presbytery of New Covenant and Mission Presbytery, Red was a volunteer in mission, chairman of the Committee on Ministry, and chairman of Stewardship and Finance Committee. For the Presbyterian Church U.S.A., Red served as Moderator of the Synod of the Sun and served on the General Assembly Nominating Committee.

Following his retirement, Red returned to his roots on the farm and in collaboration with 4-H and his former business colleague, he raised and showed Blonde D-Aquitane cattle. Proud of his Swedish heritage, he was a member of the Swedish Society VASA in Austin.

Red was a truly amazing husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather and his family was his greatest joy and blessing. Rose and Red's four children are Rosellyn Olander McIver, Gary Olander, Maribeth Olander Story, and David Olander. Rosellyn and her late husband, the Rev. Dr. Malcolm C. Mcver III have three daughters, Sara, Catherine, and Mary Elisabeth and one granddaughter, Zoey Rose. Gary and Grace Olander have one daughter, Carrie, and son-in-law, Brett Neal. Maribeth and her husband Dave Story have one daughter, Rebecca, one son David, daughter-in-law Rose Ann, and one grandson William. David and Debbie Olander have one daughter, Lauren, and one son, Hayden. His grandchildren affectionately called him "Diddle".

The family extends their heartfelt thanks for the love, compassion, and care Red received from Gladys Ezimako for the past 6 years, and to her daughter Ogechi Ezimako. Since 2004, Gladys has truly been a part of the Olander family and the family is deeply grateful. The family would also like to thank friends, medical personnel, hospice, nurses and doctors at St. David's and Westminster Manor, and the Westminster church family for their generous, steadfast care and support. In addition, the family would like to thank the pastors that have provided pastoral care and friendship for Red and the family for many years.

The memorial service will be held on Tuesday, January 20 at 3:00 pm at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Austin. Memorials may be made to: Westminster Presbyterian Church, 3208 Exposition Blvd., Austin, Texas 78703, to the City of Hutto, Cotton Gin Restoration Project (memo line), 401 W. Front Street, Hutto, Texas 78634, or a preferred charity.

Arrangements by Weed-Corley-Fish Funeral Home (512) 452-8811. Obituary and memorial guestbook available online at www.wcfish.com.

Eda Faye Schaaf

Eda Faye Schaaf died Wednesday, January 14th 2015 at Midland Memorial Hospital. She was born May 21st 1962 to the late Richard and Mary Sayers in Big Spring TX. She lived all her life in Big Spring.

She is survived by her children Robert Schaaf I I I (Trey) and Nina Schaaf; brother, Richard (Richie) Sayers; sisters, Kay Davis, Mary Churchwell and Alice Broughton; many nieces, great nieces and nephews, cousins and friends.

Services are pending with American Heritage Cemetery and Funeral Home.

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John Melvin Weaver

Graveside services for John Melvin Weaver will be held Monday, January 19, 2015, at 11:00 a.m. at Hancock Cemetery with Kurt Borden officiating. Visitation will be held Sunday, January 18, 2015 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. at Branon Funeral Home. Arrangements are under the direction of Branon Funeral Home.

" I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. " II Timothy 4:7

John joined our heavenly father early morning, on January 16th, 2015 at Midland Memorial Hospital.

John Melvin Weaver was born October 25, 1935 in a small farmhouse in a community created by his great-grandparents Aaron and Catherine Hancock. Initially John attended Hancock community school, establishing friendships with the same 5 friends that he attended school through high school. His final resting place, at Hancock cemetery, will be less than half a mile from where he was born.

Always a hard worker, John attended Lamesa High school and then went on to graduate from Texas Tech University in 1957 with a degree in Petroleum Engineering with high honors. After graduation, John went to work for Texaco, Inc and continued his career there for 35 years with progressively responsible leadership positions.

A leader of men, teacher and mentor, some of John's favorite roles were as a husband and father. He also found time to share his talents; coaching Little League baseball and Pee Wee football, leading a boy scout troop for years mentoring many young men, serving as deacon in multiple churches and even drove the church bus on Sunday mornings. Most recently John Weaver attended First United Methodist Church in Midland, Texas.

John married his high school sweetheart, Lexeen Woodul, in 1955 spending 59 years of friendship and adventure with the love of his life, even up to the last day of his life. Everything that John did, he did with talent and passion. He was famous for his fish stories and love of homemade ice cream. Along with fishing and hunting, his passion was truly his family and he passed the love of the outdoors to his children along with the love of adventure in his heart passed down through the generations.

John is preceded in death by his parents Minnie Ganell and William Webb Weaver and his brother Robert Weaver.

Survived by his wife of 59 years, Lexeen, and four children: Janae and Tad Hall, Dana and Ralph Johnson, Eric and Connie Weaver, and Vance and Charla Weaver; grandchildren Taren Mandeville, Jonathan Hall, Steven Weaver, Leslie Carter, Kross Weaver, Dawson Weaver and Lexa and Julie Johnson and 5 great grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Manor Park, 2208, N. Loop 250 West, Midland, TX, 79707, or Midland Chapter Society of Petroleum Engineers Scholarship Fund. To send condolences online, please visit www.branonfuneralhome. com.

Letitia (Tish) Inez Gidney

Letitia (Tish) Inez Gidney, 51, of Midland, Tx passed away peacefully at her home, Wednesday, January 14, 2015 surrounded by her loving family.

Tish was born April 16, 1963, in Safford, Arizona to the late Lee and Renate Robbins. She was raised on ranches in Arizona and South West New Mexico. She graduated from Deming High School and attended NMSU. Tish met the love of her life, Leonard (Butch) Gidney, and they were married on January 8, 1983 in Deming, New Mexico. They moved to Midland, Tx in 1999. Together they loved and raised two sons, Kyle Ray Gidney and Logan Ray Gidney, both of Midland, Tx.

Tish began her career in banking and then specialized in title research. She worked for West Texas Abstract and was currently employed at Permian Abstract as Escrow Officer. Tish was an avid reader, enjoyed needlepoint and crochet, and loved her pets (Zoey, Baily & Sarah) but most of all she loved to travel with Butch.

Tish is preceded in death by her parents, Lee and Renate Robbins.

Those left to cherish her memory are her husband, Butch; her son Logan and son Kyle and wife Misty; her pride and joy, two grandchildren, Konner and Karigan (to them she was GiGi). Tish is survived by her brother, Grady Robbins and his children, Chance, Brianne, McKenzie, and Makayla; sister, Nancy Jackson and her children, Kyleigh and Blythe; brother, Billy Robbins, wife Meredith and their children, Natalie and Jillian. Tish is also survived by her in-laws, Leonard and Connie Gidney of Roswell, NM. They called her (Tisha Ray) and they loved her as a daughter.

Tish was loved by many as was evident by the many friends and family members that have shown infinite love and support during the past three and a half years of her life. The family wishes to thank Dr. Brachetta, Texas Oncology and the doctors and nurses of Hospice of Midland for their support and care during Tish's battle with cancer.

The family will receive visitors from 6-8 p.m. on Monday, January 19,2015 at American Heritage Chapel. A celebration of life for Tish will be held on Tuesday, January 20, 2015, 10:00 a.m. at Calvary Chapel, 1607 N FM 1788; burial to follow at American Heritage Cemetery.

Online condolences can be made at www.thehealingstartshere.com. Arrangements are entrusted to American Heritage Cemetery and Funeral Home.

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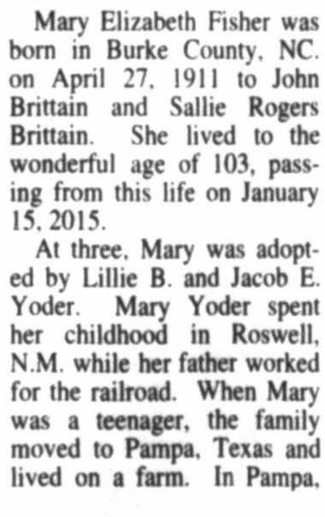


Mary Elizabeth Fisher

Mary Elizabeth Fisher was born in Burke County, NC. on April 27, 1911 to John Brittain and Sallie Rogers Brittain. She lived to the wonderful age of 103, passing from this life on January 15, 2015.

At three, Mary was adopted by Lillie B. and Jacob E. Yoder. Mary Yoder spent her childhood in Roswell, N.M. while her father worked for the railroad. When Mary was a teenager, the family moved to Pampa, Texas and lived on a farm. In Pampa, Mary met the love of her life, Waldo H. Fisher, at a Sunday school party

Mary and Waldo worked for Phillips Petroleum Company and spent most of their working life in the company town of Phillips, Texas; raising two children Beverly and Gary.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and grandson, Lee Wise. She is survived by daughter Beverly Wise, husband Robert and their daughter Mary Wise; son Gary Fisher, wife Adelaide and their children Gary Fisher, Jr., wife Maureen, Katherine Cedeno, husband Randall; and son Scott Fisher. Mary is also survived by grand daughter-in-law Sue Wise, great grandchildren Mary Lauren Fisher, Michael and Thomas Cedeno, and Sara Wise, and great-great grandchild, Cayden Savage.

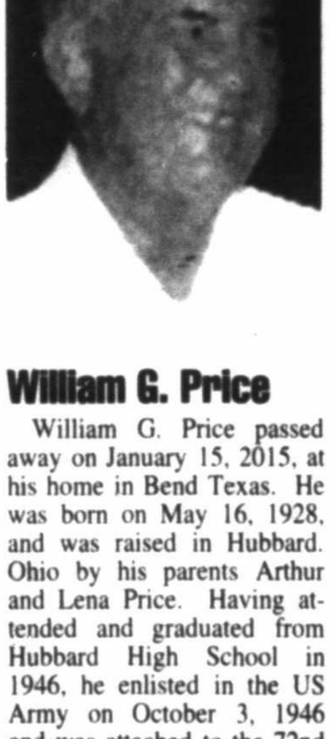
Mary always told about a class project in Roswell where she was introduced to planting and growing vegetables. Mary knew immediately that gardening would be a lifelong hobby. She always had beautiful flower gardens with iris and roses. Her vegetable garden was her lifetime joy and was enjoyed by many. Mary was a marvelous seamstress, a wonderful cook and an avid knitter.

Mary and Waldo retired to Zephyr, TX and lived an ideal retired life on a small acreage farm with a vegetable garden, an orchard, an apiary, and of course, many beautiful flowers. Mary and Waldo belonged to the Brownwood Country Club where they enjoyed playing golf and bridge.

Mary's last years were spent in Midland so she could be closer to family. The family would like to thank all those who were so kind to Mary in the Mabee Care Center and the Younger Alzheimer's Center at Manor Park. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Zephyr United Methodist Church, PO Box 764, Zephyr, TX 76890-0764 or a charity of choice.

A graveside service will be held at 3:00pm, Monday, January 19, 2015 at Duren Cemetery in Mills County, Texas.

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



William G. Price

William G. Price passed away on January 15, 2015, at his home in Bend Texas. He was born on May 16, 1928, and was raised in Hubbard. Ohio by his parents Arthur and Lena Price. Having attended and graduated from Hubbard High School in 1946, he enlisted in the US Army on October 3, 1946 and was attached to the 72nd ORD Deport. He served in Japan until January 10, 1948 and was discharged on January 26, 1948. He received WWII Victory Medal, Army Occupation Medal-Japan.

After the service, he attended Youngston College in Ohio and graduated with a BS Degree in Chemical Engineering in 1952. He moved to Texas in 1952 and married the former Joretta Hensley of Wink, Texas on October 21, 1955.

William worked as a licensed petroleum engineer until he retired from Arco Oil and Gas Company in 1985. After 30 years of service in his field, he became a member of the Petroleum Pioneers of the Permian Basin, and the Society of Petroleum Engineers Legion of Honor for 50 years of service. He was also a member of VFW Post No. 3767 of San Saba and a member of the Lampasas Baptist Church. William was a certified Volunteer Ombudsman for the Area Agency for the Aging. In 1990 the couple moved from Midland to San Saba County settling near Bend.

William was preceded in death by his parents, Arthur and Lena Price; brothers, George Price and Russel Price; a sister, Ida Bartholomew; a son, William Gary Price; and a step-son, Tommy G. Aycock.

Surviving William is his wife, Joretta Price; a sister, Gladys Caughman of Hubbard, Ohio; grandchildren: Robert and Spring Price and children Haley and William of San Saba, Valeria and Jonathan Harris and children Mason and Brooklyn of Clyde; Jessica and David Lucas and children Cassidy of Devin and Hunter Lucas of Clyde. Step-grandchildren: T.G. Aycock, T.W Aycock, John Aycock and Lynn Aycock, Dixie Friar, and Rochelle Garcia of Midland and a host of grandchildren, and great grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He also had two special brothers-in-laws: Larry Hensley and Jerry Hensley.

Services for Mr. Price will be held on Monday, January 19, 2015, at Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland, Texas at 1:00 p.m. Visitation will be held on Sunday, January 18, 2015, at Heritage Funeral Home in San Saba from 5:00 - 6:0 P.M.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the Heart Association or the Altsheimer association

Please view Mr. Price's online memorial @www.heritagefuneraltx.com.

Death Notices

Nina Carol Lauderdale

Nina Carol Lauderdale, 71, of Midland, passed away on Monday, January 12, 2015. The family will receive friends on Tuesday, January 20, 2015 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Graveside services will be held on Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. at Fairview Cemetery in Midland.

She is survived by her mother, Hazel Pierce; two daughters, Carla Young and Jeanne Lauderdale.

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

Sandra Lynn Neidecken

Sandra Lynn Neidecken, 55 of Midland, passed away on Wednesday, January 14, 2015.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Sandra is survived by her husband, Clifford Neidecken; two daughters, Lisa Marie Hunter and Kimber Rose Hunter; one brother and one sister.

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Nearly $900K returned to Beaumont schools after finance scam

Associated Press

BEAUMONT — Nearly $900,00 stolen from a Southeast Texas school district by two finance employees has been returned as part of their punishment.

The Beaumont Independent School District received the funds as partial repayment by Devin McCraney and Sharika Allison.

Prosecutors on Friday announced the restitution as part of nearly $4 million owed by the pair in the fraud and wire-transfer scam.

McCraney last April pleaded guilty to fraud upon programs receiving federal funds. The district's former finance director was sentenced in September to nearly six years in prison.

Allison, who formerly was comptroller at Beaumont ISD, pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit fraud upon programs receiving federal funds. She received nearly four years behind bars.

The Texas Education Agency last year took over the district, which has nearly 21,000 students.

NICHOLAS

From 1B

know St. Luke's was a place where they were welcomed.

I think that his need to help others was one of the reasons he was so passionate about his work for AMOS. Jim bargained with grocers across Midland to get the best deals on bulk food items and was known to relieve entire store shelves of pasta, peanut butter and canned vegetables if he found a good sale while he was out running errands.

Jim was such a presence at St. Luke's that I think a lot of us considered him de facto staff. He told me once that he was spending so much of his "retirement" working for the church as a way to show his thankfulness for the big and deep changes God made in his life many years ago. My heart hurts for his sweet family and our church family. Thank you, Jim, you changed each of us with the big and deep love you gave to all. You will be so very missed.

Melanie Maxcey Nicholas is a full-time momma, writer and mommy blogger. She and The Hubs have two uh-mazing children, Parksalot, 6, and Bodacious, 3. You can find her on Facebook, Twitter and at TheBathwaterBlogs.com. Her column appears in the Midland Reporter-Telegram every other week.

CRIMEBRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MPD: Man strikes house member, stabs himself

A 27-year-old man was arrested Wednesday after allegedly striking a house member and then stabbing himself in the abdomen, according to court documents.

James Kemp of Midland was charged with two third-degree felonies for assaulting a house member impeding breathing and obstruction or retaliation. He was being held as of Friday evening on a $75,000 bond, according to the Midland County Sheriff's office.

Kemp

Midland police officers were dispatched to the 200 block of North D Street regarding a disturbance between house members. When they arrived at the scene, they saw a vehicle leaving the residence. A woman at the residence said the incident started when Kemp got into a fight at a bar where she and her co-workers were.

The woman and her co-workers arrived home at about 3:20 a.m. and Kemp began to argue with the woman. The woman said Kemp pushed her, causing her to fall and knock her head on the hallway baseboards, according to the arrest affidavit.

Kemp then grabbed the woman by the neck and forced her toward the kitchen, where he began hitting her on the back of the neck and head, causing her pain, according to the affidavit.

The woman said she was able to get Kemp off her but then he placed his arm around her neck and began choking her, according to the affidavit.

The woman was able to break free and tried to call 911. Kemp tried to intercept the call, but she gave the phone to a roommate, who went outside and called police.

Before officers arrived, Kemp allegedly took several knives and began stabbing himself in the abdomen, telling the victim that he wanted "to die." The roommates confirmed that they saw Kemp stabbing himself, according to the affidavit.

The woman called one of Kemp's relatives when he began stabbing himself, and they came to take him to their house. They were stopped by officers who arrived shortly after they left.

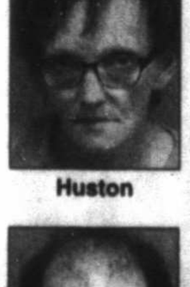
Kemp allegedly told the woman that "after the police leave, I'm going to come back and knock you out so you can't open the door," according to the affidavit.

Kemp faces up to 20 years in prison, if convicted of the two third-degree felonies.

Three arrested for alleged theft-for-drugs ring

Three people were arrested on Jan. 9 after allegedly admitting to stealing merchandise from multiple stores to pay for methamphetamine, according to court documents.

Huston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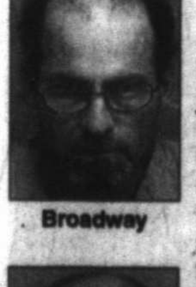

Scott

Midlanders Valorie Huston, 50, and Douglas Broadway, 44, were arrested for state jail felonies. Huston was charged with three state jail felony counts of theft of less than $1,500 with two previous convictions. She was being held on Friday evening on a $75,000 bond. Bond information for Broadway was not available by press time. The third person, 47-year-old Garrett Scott of Conroe, was charged with two state jail felonies for possession of a controlled substance of less than one gram. Scott was being held on a $110,000 bond, according to the Midland County Sheriff's Office.

A Midland Police Department detective was called out to the Midland Inn Motel, 3302 W. Front St., at 9:30 a.m. Jan. 5 in response to a theft of property. The manager told the detective she had rented out a room to Scott and another man on Dec. 27 but that their payment became delinquent on Dec. 28, according to the arrest affidavit.

She said she installed a device that prevented the room key from unlocking the door, but on Dec. 28 she discovered the door was open. All of the men's belongings were gone, as well as the room's 32-inch flat screen TV, according to the affidavit.

The detective obtained photos and vehicle information for the two men and began checking local hotels. As the detective pulled into the West Wind Motel, 3808 W. Wall St., he saw Scott's pickup pulling in.

The detective detained Scott, who began taking his shoes off and kicking them underneath the vehicle. When the detective retrived the shoes, he found 5.7 grams of methamphetamine in them, according to the affidavit.

Managers at the West Wind Motel asked that a man and woman be removed from the premises. The detective found the woman, who consented to a room search, according to the affidavit.

The detective then found the man, Douglas Broadway, in the room, and found methamphetamine, powder cocaine and a heroin syringe kit. He also found brand new items including cologne and boots, according to the affidavit.

At this point, Scott began cooperating and said the TV and other property were with Huston at the Economy Inn, 3411 W. Wall St., according to the affidavit.

The detective found Huston in possession of methamphetamine, and she took the detective to her room, in which there were a large suitcase, speakers, clothing and kitchenware, according to the affidavit.

Huston told police she had been stealing items for some time from local stores, according to the affidavit.

Huston and Broadway claimed that Scott would take them to stores and demand that they steal items and that he would hit them if they stole the wrong items. The items were allegedly then taken to a methamphetamine drug dealer, according to the affidavit.

If convicted of the three state jail felony charges, Huston faces up to six years in prison.

Scott faces up to four years in prison if convicted of the pair of state jail felony charges.

Broadway faces up to two years in prison if convicted of the state jail felony charge.

Man allegedly sexually assaults woman

A Midland man was arrested Wednesday after allegedly sexually assaulting a woman, according to court documents.

Pedro Lopez, 19, was charged with a second-degree felony of sexual assault. He was being held Friday evening on a $75,000 bond, according to the Midland County Sheriff's Office.

A woman went to the Midland County Sheriff's Office on Jan. 9 in reference to a sexual assault that had taken place on Jan. 7. She said Lopez was a friend and had assaulted her, according to the arrest affidavit.

Lopez had gotten mad at the woman for being with another man, and they began to argue. They began to struggle, and Lopez removed all of the woman's clothes and tied her hands behind her back with a belt, according to the affidavit.

As she yelled for him to stop, Lopez put something in her mouth and then penetrated her multiple times, according to the affidavit.

Lopez

Lopez then told her to take a shower and he made her something to eat. The next morning, Lopez dropped off the woman at a family member's home, and she told the family member about the incident, according to the affidavit.

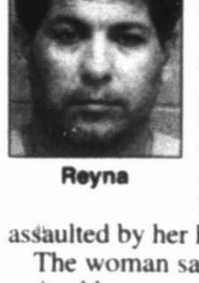
Lopez, who had been arrested on a different charge, was asked about the woman's claims. Lopez said that he had been very angry with her, he had sex with her and at one point hit her, according to the affidavit.

If convicted of the second-degree felony, Lopez faces up to 20 years in prison.

Man allegedly chokes housemate

A 42-year-old man was arrested Wednesday for allegedly choking a housemate, according to court documents.

Herbey Reyna of Midland was charged with two third-degree felonies of assault on a house member impeding breathing for a case from Nov. 27. He was being held as of Friday evening on a $150,000 bond, according to the Midland County Sheriff's Office.


Reyna

A Midland sheriff's deputy was dispatched to County Road 120 in reference to a disturbance. A woman said she had been assaulted by her housemate.

The woman said she had arrived home at 12:30 a.m. on Nov. 27 and noticed Reyna sitting in a vehicle in her driveway. She said he followed her into the house, threw her on the bed and began to choke her, according to the arrest affidavit. He placed his right forearm on her neck and used his left hand to apply pressure to her neck, according to the affidavit.

The woman said Reyna told her he would kill her and didn't care if he went to prison, according to the affidavit. The woman told him that she could not breath and he replied that he did not care and that he would rather go to prison than see her alive, according to the affidavit. The woman said that at this point she felt like she was slipping away and could not breath because of Reyna's pressure on her neck, according to the affidavit.

She then told Reyna it would be OK and he began to cry and then released his grip on her neck, according to the affidavit. The woman grabbed her keys and ran to her friend's house, where she called police.

The deputy photographed red marks on the woman's neck, and escorted her home with other deputies to find Reyna. When they arrived, Reyna wasn't there and the woman said that her phone and wallet, which contained her driver's license and Social Security card, were missing.

If convicted of the two third-degree felonies, Reyna faces up to 20 years in prison.

MPD: Family member has sexual contact with child

A Midland man was arrested Wednesday for allegedly having sexual contact with a child relative, according to court documents.

Jonathan Saucedo, 23, was charged with a second-degree felony of indecency with a child through sexual contact. He was being held Friday, but a bond amount had not yet been posted, according to the Midland County Sheriff's Office.

Saucedo

The Midland Police Department was contacted by a Missouri sheriff's office in reference to a sexual abuse case that had allegedly taken place in Midland.

The child was with two relatives, one of whom was later identified as Saucedo, on or about June 16, according to the arrest affidavit. The other relative had gone into Midland Park Mall and left the child and Saucedo alone in the vehicle. Saucedo leaned his seat back and began tickling the child, according to the alleged victim in the affidavit. Saucedo began to squeeze the child's legs with his hand and eventually made sexual contact through the child's clothing, according to the affidavit.

Saucedo grabbed the child's hand and placed it down his shorts and told the child what he wanted the alleged victim to do, according to the affidavit. Later that same day, Saucedo again grabbed the child's hand and placed it down his shorts, according to the affidavit.

When Saucedo was contacted about the allegations, he told the detective that he had spoken with his attorney and was advised not to speak with police, according to the affidavit.

If convicted of the second-degree felony, Saucedo faces up to 20 years in prison.

Man allegedly spits blood on officer

A Midland man was arrested Thursday after allegedly pushing an officer off of him and spitting blood on her when he was restrained, according to court documents.

Rocky Gutierrez, 28, was charged with assault of a public servant and harassment of a public servant, both third-degree felonies. He was being held Friday on a $75,000 bond, according to the Midland County Sheriff's Office.

A Midland police officer was attempting to detain a man, later identified as Gutierrez, near the intersection of Illinois Avenue and Midkiff Road. Gutierrez had been involved in a fight, and when the officer attempted to detain him, he pushed her back and began running, according to the arrest affidavit.

Gutierrez

Gutierrez ignored verbal commands and attempted to jump a fence, at which point the officer grabbed his shirt to pull him down. His shirt came off, but Gutierrez pushed the officer backward and continued running, according to the arrest affidavit.

The man then tried to jump another fence and failed, and the officer was able to momentarily gain control of Gutierrez and moved him to the ground, but Gutierrez then pinned the officer on the ground and began running again, according to the arrest affidavit.

The officer finally caught Gutierrez in the 3400 block of West Ohio Avenue. Gutierrez was bleeding from his nose and mouth and began intentionally spitting blood at the officer's face, according to the arrest affidavit.

Gutierrez was finally restrained, and other officers arrived to assist. Blood was allegedly spread on the officer's uniform from the shoulder to the cuff of her left sleeve, and she had blood on the right side of her face, according to the arrest affidavit.

If convicted of the two third-degree felonies Gutierrez faces up to 20 years in prison.

MPD: Two men threaten another man with knife

Two man were arrested Jan. 8 for allegedly threatening another man with a knife, according to court documents.

Raymundo Flores Jr., 27, of Midland and Jamie Aguirre, 32, of Stanton were charged on Jan. 8 with second-degree felonies of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. Flores also was charged with a state jail felony count of criminal mischief between $1,500 and $20,000. Flores was being held on a $100,000 bond as of Friday evening, while Aguirre was being held on a $75,000 bond, according to the Midland County Sheriff's Office.

Flores

Midland police officers were dispatched at about 2 p.m. Jan. 8 to a disturbance with weapons call at the Park Glen Apartments near the basketball courts.

They saw a man standing next to a car with a flat front driver's side tire and asked him if he had seen anyone fighting. The man said that two men had threatened him with knives and slashed his tires. He led police to Flores' apartment, according to the arrest affidavit.

The officers knocked on the door and Flores answered. He was promptly placed in hand restraints. When asked where the second man was, Flores said he was in the upstairs portion of the apartment. Officers instructed the other man, later identified as Aguirre, to show his hands and come down the stairs, according to the affidavit. He complied and was detained.

Aguirre said the man had come to their apartment to fight and began banging and kicking the door, according to the affidavit. Aguirre accused the man of pulling a knife on him and Flores at the apartment's front door, according to the affidavit.

Flores allegedly contradicted Aguirre, saying that the incident took place near the basketball courts and the man's car.

The officers talked to the alleged victim, who said that he had a "beef" with Flores because Flores believes the victim owes him money. The man said that when he went to his car to pick up his kids from school, he saw that his tire had been slashed, according to the affidavit.

He said that Flores and Aguirre approached him aggressively and that Flores was carrying a large kitchen knife while Aguirre was holding a smaller knife, threatening him with death, according to the affidavit.

A witness told officers that both Flores and Aguirre were in possession of knives during the incident, and that she feared that the man would be harmed.

If convicted of the second-degree and state jail felony charges, Flores faces up to 22 years in prison. Aguirre faces up to 20 years in prison if convicted of the second-degree felony charge.

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FROM WIRE REPORTS

EDINBURG

Guilty plea thrown out in South Texas fake Botox shots case

A South Texas woman accused of injecting people with fake Botox had her guilty pleas thrown out because she was not sworn in during court.

The Monitor newspaper reports Nohemi Gonzalez in November pleaded guilty to aggravated assault and to three counts of practicing medicine without a license.

A judge in Edinburg on Thursday ruled the pleas by Gonzalez were invalid due to her not being sworn in by another judge in an auxiliary court.

BROWNSVILLE

Decommissioned USS Constellation arrives in Texas for scrap

The decommissioned USS Constellation has reached a South Texas shipyard where it will be scrapped.

Officials with towing company Foss Maritime announced the former aircraft carrier arrived Friday afternoon in Brownsville.

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Crime of the week

Midland Crime Stoppers and the Midland County Sheriff's Office need help solving a burglary.

Two people broke into the Parsley Energy office, 1703 E. County Road 120, on Jan. 13. Taken was a Samsung 46-inch TV and an undisclosed amount of cash. The people caused a lot of damage to the building. One of them can be seen clearly on surveillance video that can be viewed at www.midlandcrimestoppers.com.

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Crime Stoppers fugitive

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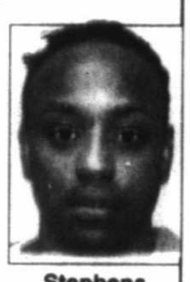

Stephens

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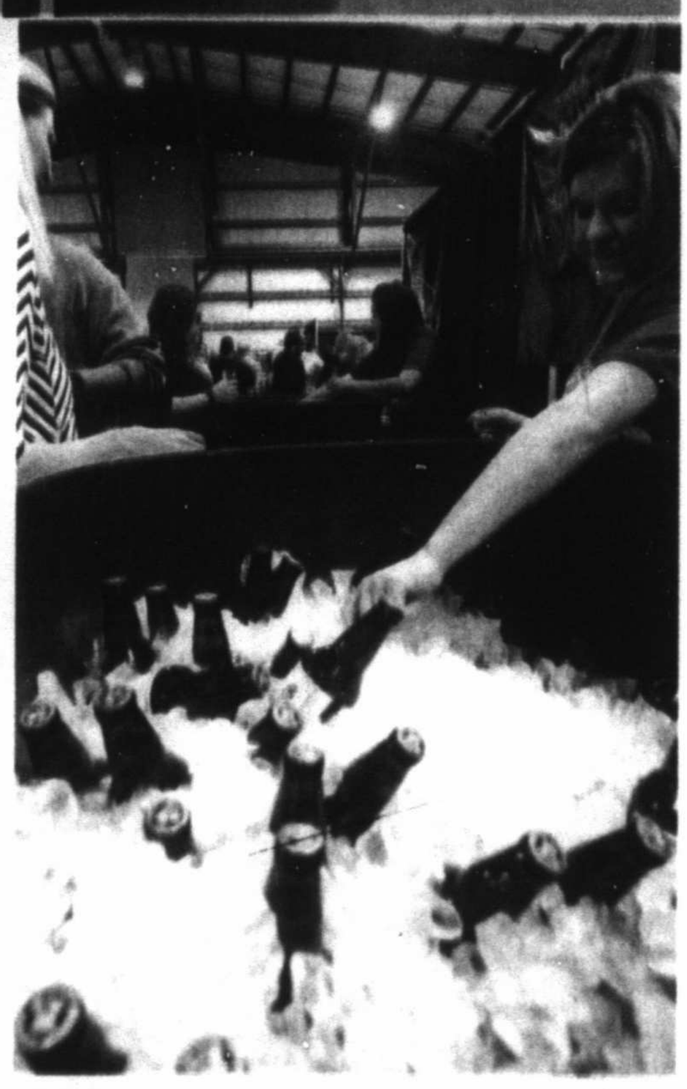

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ABOVE AND RIGHT: Patrons enjoy the brews being served at Midland on Tap beer festival that was held Saturday, at the CAF.

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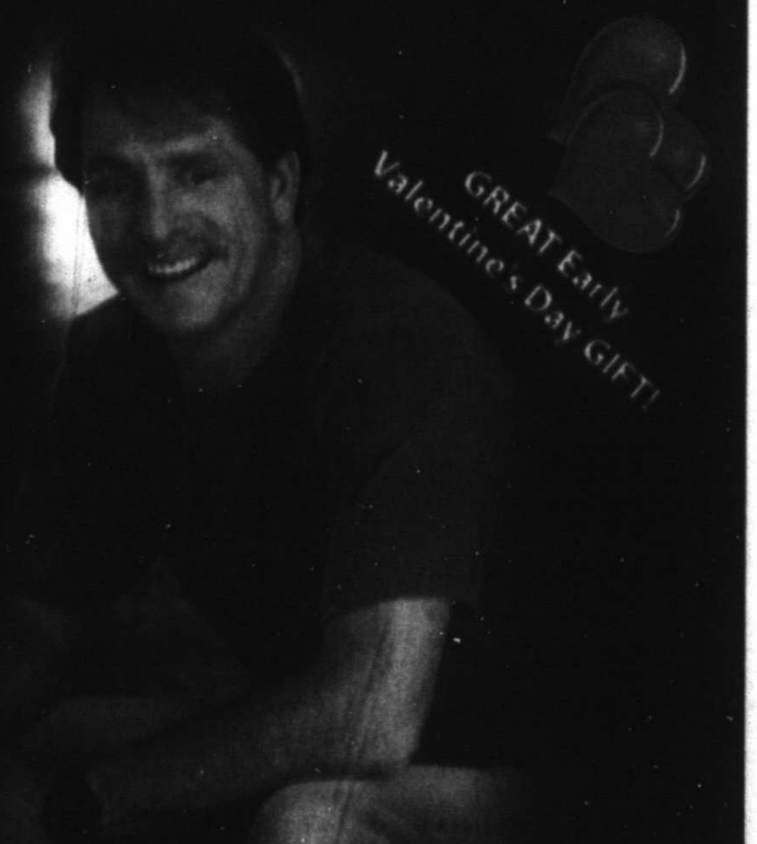

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CRIME BRIEF

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Alleged 3rd DWI has man driving in wrong lanes

A 47-year-old Midland man was arrested Thursday for allegedly driving the wrong way down a street while drunk, according to court documents.

David Larmee was charged with a third-degree felony of driving while intoxicated, third offense. He was being held Friday on a $50,000 bond, according to the Midland County Sheriff's Office.

Larmee

A Midland police officer was driving on the 3400 block of West Wall Street around 12:44 a.m. Thursday when he noticed a pickup pull out of a parking lot and start driving westbound in the eastbound traffic lanes.

The driver, later identified as Larmee, continued in the wrong lane of traffic as he approached the intersection of Thomason Drive and Wall Street, according to the arrest affidavit. When the light turned green, Larmee continued driving in the wrong direction, and the officer pulled over the pickup in the 3600 block of West Wall Street.

Larmee denied that he was in the opposing lanes of traffic, according to the affidavit. The officer said that Larmee had bloodshot eyes, a fixed gaze and smelled of alcohol, according to the affidavit.

When asked if he had anything to drink, Larmee said "six beers," and when asked if he felt that he had too much to be driving, Larmee answered "yes," according to the affidavit.

Larmee refused to do a field sobriety test but agreed to give a blood sample at Midland Memorial Hospital, according to the affidavit.

The officer discovered Larmee had two previous DWI convictions, one on Feb. 6 in Midland County and one on May 14 in Gaines County, according to the affidavit.

If convicted of the third-degree felony, Larmee faces up to 10 years in prison.

Immigrants can now get Mexican birth certificates in US

By Amy Taxin
Associated Press

SANTA ANA, Calif. — For Mexicans living in the U.S. illegally and hoping to stay in the country under President Barack Obama's new immigration policy, things just got one step simpler.

On Thursday, the Mexican government began issuing birth certificates to its citizens at its consulates in the United States.

That will make it a little easier for Mexicans hoping to obtain U.S. work permits, driver's licenses and protection from deportation.

Up until now, Mexico required its citizens to get birth certificates at government offices in Mexico. Many of those living in this country had to ask friends and relatives back home to retrieve the paperwork.

Pedro Zamora, a 52-year-old cook in Southern California, took advantage of the new program to obtain his birth certificate at the Mexican consulate in Santa Ana, California. He plans to apply for a California driver's license this week.

Before the change too place, Zamora had to ask his sister-in-law to pick up his son's and daughter's birth certificates in Colima, Mexico, so they could apply for Obama's immigration program for those brought to the U.S. illegally as children. But Zamora said the paperwork got lost in the mail — twice.

"It would take seven or 15 days and there was a risk of losing it," Zamora said.

While Republicans in Congress are trying to undo Obama's plan to shield millions of immigrants living illegally in the U.S. from deportation, Mexico is trying to help them stay here and continue sending money back to relatives across the border.

About half the 11 million immigrants living in the U.S. illegally are from Mexico, and immigration experts say roughly 3 million of them could be eligible under the administration's plan.

Immigrants will probably need to produce photo identification such as a passport to apply for the program. And to get a Mexican passport, they need a birth certificate.

AP file photo

Visitors walk from the Mexican Consulate in Little Rock, Ark., after the grand opening of the building in 2007. The Mexican government on Thursday Jan. 15, 2015 will start issuing birth certificates to its citizens at consulates in the United States, seeking to make it easier for them to apply for U.S. work permits, driver's licenses and protection from deportation.

"The administration's position and efforts seem to better align with Mexico's interests than they do with our own — and that's disappointing."

Rep. Duncan Hunter
R-San Diego

That has proved to be a problem for many Mexican immigrants.

Those who cross the border illegally to reach the United States rarely carry documents with them on the treacherous journey, partly to avoid detection. And many Mexicans born in remote, rural communities do not make the necessary journey to the nearest government office to start the process of obtaining a birth certificate.

Mexico's 50 consulates in the U.S. can now access data in Mexico and print birth certificates here, said Arturo Sanchez, consul for press and commercial affairs in Santa Ana.

Consulates should be able to issue birth certificates for nearly all places in Mexico, though some villages where documents are not digitally recorded may not be covered, Sanchez said.

The new practice comes two weeks after California — home to more Mexicans than any other state — began issuing driver's licenses to immigrants who are in the country illegally.

Rep. Duncan Hunter, who represents a San Diego-area congressional district, complained that U.S. and Mexican policies have combined to send more people across the border illegally.

"The administration's position and efforts seem to better align with Mexico's interests than they do with our own — and that's disappointing," he said.

Jessica Vaughan, director of policy studies at the Center for Immigration Studies, said she believes Mexico is trying to make it easier for its citizens to stay here because of the money they send back.

Mexican migrant workers living abroad sent home $21.6 billion to their families in 2013, according to the country's central bank.

Vaughan, whose organization wants tighter limits on immigration, said ensuring birth certificates are authentic is critical because they are used to obtain key identity documents such as passports.

"If we can trust the Mexican government to do its due diligence and establish a system with integrity, then this will work," she said. But she added: "That is a big if."

MISD

From 1B

to the MISD board of trustees and the Midland City Council members that a teenager in this community had taken his life, and as a school district, we were dealing with the aftermath.

The second part of this announcement was that this was the 10th teen suicide in the last 4 1/2 years. No matter the time span, to have one child in our community decide to end his/her life is the worst situation we could be in, but to have so many of our kids choosing to do this in a relatively short period of time is more than frightening.

As I have been communicating with different groups about this issue, everyone has committed to help. The task of positively affecting this situation cannot only fall to the school district, and it cannot only be the worry of our parents and caregivers. The leaders of our community have committed to making this a focus for all of us.

Our community is going to come together to provide support for our children, and that endeavor has already begun. Both our school board and our city council did not think twice about committing their support for this challenge. We have organizations like our county Commissioners' Court, Midland Memorial Hospital and the Abell-Hanger Foundation, which also want to lead the fight, and I truly appreciate their efforts.

As a school district, we are using several different programs to help us better reach students. From our staff's perspective, we have implemented an online training program for all MISD professional staff provided by Mental Health America. We have begun training campus staff with a program call QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer) that trains adults on how to recognize different behaviors in kids and to properly question them to assess the kids' situations. We are even providing QPR training to PTA parent groups in the district. We also have implemented suicide prevention training that our counselors provide to all campus staff.

Additionally, we have implemented several programs that specifically focus on our kids. We train students to be cognizant of each other the program, Signs of Suicide. We have also implemented the program, More Than Sad, in which students are instructed about dealing with their own feelings.

MISD's Suicide Prevention Plan provides both prevention strategies, but also postvention strategies to deal with the aftermath. The main point for listing these different programs is that they have allowed us to identify hundreds of students who are in need of direct interventions for the challenges in their lives. We have so many more kids asking for help, and that is a very positive situation. These outcries span the spectrum of "normal" teenage issues all the way to kids who not only have suicidal thoughts, but they have plans to carry out those thoughts.

However, as pleased as we are the programs are producing these results, the fact remains that we still have kids making the decision to end their lives. We have to do more as a school district, we also have to do more as a community.

The main community issue, as I see it, is that MISD cannot provide the long-term psychiatric care many of our students need. Our campus counselors, 50 very caring professionals, are all certified school counselors. This means they have counseling training through their certification program, but by no means can they conduct therapy sessions for any students. MISD also has three licensed professional counselors — we call them our crisis counseling team. Being licensed professionals, they can conduct therapy sessions, but we have three of them for 24,000 students.

Specifically, we must have more mental health resources in Midland for our youth. We cannot continue to ship kids out of town who need immediate help, and we must have more professionals in town who can provide much needed care for our children who are suffering. With the help of all of the groups mentioned above, and hopefully many more who will take up this challenge, we can make a difference. This is a huge need facing our community, and I do not see this need going away.

Taking care of our children is everyone's business, and that mentality is what makes Midland special. If anyone has other ideas about how Midland, as a community, can fight this challenge, please do not hesitate to contact the school district — Ron Moss (ron.moss@midlandisd.net). Ron is our director of Guidance and Counseling, and he and his team have been on the front line with this for the last 4 1/2 years. We are not going to back down from this challenge, but we do need help. If anyone has questions or wants more information about the programs MISD offers, please contact Moss.

In the coming months, there will be opportunities for members of our community to participate in events surrounding this critical issue. We absolutely welcome your participation and input at these events. We will publicize these later this spring.

Thank you for your support of our children. If I can answer any questions about this and any other challenge facing the district, please do not hesitate to contact me at ryder.warren@midlandisd.net.

WILLIAMSON

From 1B

like exercising after sitting around the house for almost a full week.

■ **Be ready for my quarterly doctor visits.**

I didn't realize all these resolutions were so intertwined. If one goes haywire, they all implode. The failure, of course, started with the two-pound weight gain.

■ **Do more work on promised novel.**

I really would like to finish my first novel by the end of 2015, so this was a natural resolution.

■ **Save more money.**

I'm retired now, so I need to tighten the purse strings, so to speak.

The following is the new list:

■ **Forget the diet thing.**

That was purely wishful thinking on my part anyway. I can either opt for this one or stay away from the grandkids.

■ **Let the doctor get what he gets.**

It's no skin off his nose that I gained a couple of pounds, so I think I'll start worrying about the visit to the doctor about a week before the appointment. That's a lot less stressful instead of worrying about these visits year round.

■ **Exercise when I want to.**

This is really a non-issue for me because the wife will insist on our daily walk anyway. This way I can make her the bad guy in all this while I keep my sanity. She's going to be in charge anyway, so why should I even worry about it.

■ **Write when I want to.**

There is too much pressure to set a deadline for a big project like a novel unless someone is putting up some money to back you. If anyone out there wants to put some pressure on me, I can be bought for a price.

■ **Take another cruise — or two.**

I'm already ready for another vacation after just three weeks. Besides, the money is only my kids' inheritance. I can cruise as well as they can.

So see, everything is going to work out fine after all. Don't get down on yourself if your resolutions happen to go south. Just resubmit. Happiness comes to those who seek happiness. Never let a wayward resolution define who you are.

Thought for the Week: "A new year's resolution is something that goes in one year and out the other." — Anonymous.

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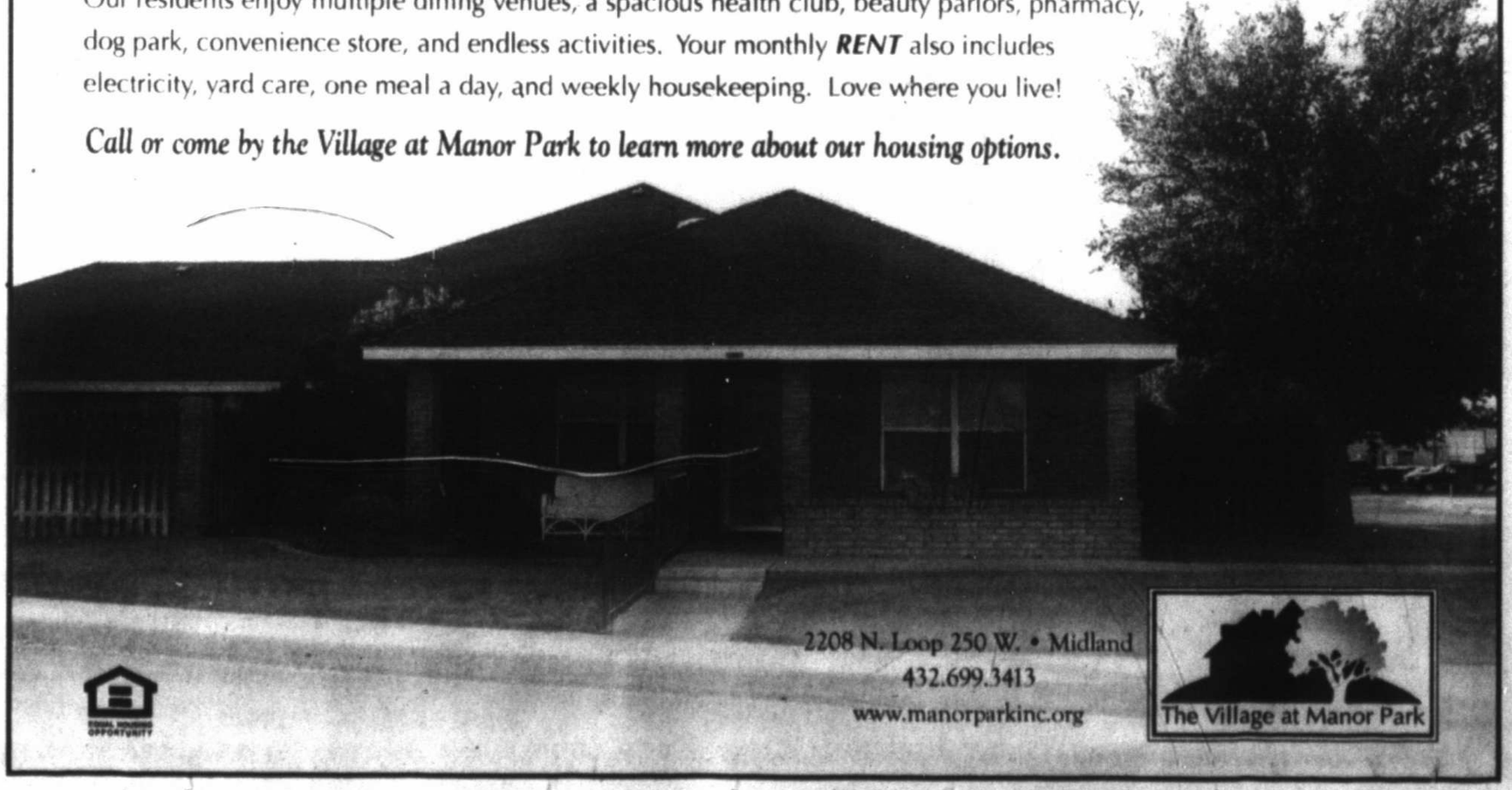

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Execution controversy

Dying Oklahoma inmate's last words stir questions

By Sean Murphy
Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY — An Oklahoma inmate executed amid a legal challenge over lethal injection began complaining about the effects on his body before the drugs were administered, prompting some to question whether he may have exaggerated his symptoms to help his fellow death row inmates' case.

Warner

Charles Warner, who was executed Thursday for the killing of an 11-month-old girl in 1997, said during his last words: "It feels like acid." The comment came before any of the lethal drugs were administered and while he was only receiving a saline drip through an intravenous line.

While on the gurney, he also said he'd been "poked" five times.

Warner's attorney who witnessed his execution, Madeline Cohen, said since she wasn't able to view the IV insertion, she asked Warner to tell her how many times the execution team tried to insert the line and whether he was experiencing any problems.

Cohen said she and Warner's family members found Warner's comments "disturbing" and "confusing."

After the first drug, a sedative, was administered, Warner again complained: "My body is on fire."

Cohen said she doesn't believe Warner would have exaggerated symptoms of suffering, and that defense lawyers would never coach death row inmates about what to say during their last words. She agreed with other witnesses who said Warner showed no other physical signs of distress, such as moaning, writhing or lifting against the restraints, but she said there's really no way to tell if he was suffering.

"I just don't know. We have tried to get transparency about what they're doing and to be able to observe (the IV insertion)," Cohen said of prison officials. "And we've been denied that. So between the actual veiling and the chemical veiling, it's very hard for us to know what's going on."

But some criminal prosecutors suggested death row inmates would be quick to exaggerate the symptoms of an execution, especially if doing so would be helpful to fellow death row inmates.

"I think what you witnessed is predictable, especially if it could be helpful to the guys behind him," said Rex Duncan, a northern Oklahoma prosecutor who recently protested a death row inmate's request for clemency.

Randy Lopez, a retired prison guard who spent his entire career at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, said there is a brotherhood among death row inmates and that he thinks Warner was "hamming it up."

"He did it for the other inmates," Lopez said.

Neither Duncan nor Lopez witnessed Warner's execution.

Warner and other death row inmates were plaintiffs in a lawsuit challenging Oklahoma's method of execution as cruel and unusual. They claimed the first drug, midazolam, won't properly anesthetize an inmate before the second and third drugs are administered. Although the U.S. Supreme Court rejected Warner's request for a stay of execution in a narrow 5-4 ruling on Thursday, the inmates' request for the high court to consider the merit of their challenge still is pending, according to Dale Baich, an attorney for the inmates.

Writing the dissent, Justice Sonia Sotomayor said she believes questions about the effectiveness of drugs used in executions is particularly important now because of states' increasing reliance on new and scientifically untested methods of execution.

jection scheduled for the same day. The drug mixture begins with the sedative midazolam and includes the same drugs used in Oklahoma's botched execution of Clayton Lockett, who writhed on the gurney and moaned after he'd been declared uncounscious

Photos from Associated Press

TOP PHOTO: Jerry Massie, spkesman for the Oklahoma Department of Corrections, announces the time of death of inmate Charles Warner to the media at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary in McAlester, Oklahoma, Thursday. Warner was executed for the murder and rape of 11-month old Adriana Waller in 1997 in Oklahoma City. **ABOVE:** Bottles of the sedative midazolam at a hospital pharmacy in Oklahoma City on July 25, 2014. Oklahoma resumed executions Thursday after botching its last one and will use the same three-drug method as a Florida lethal in-

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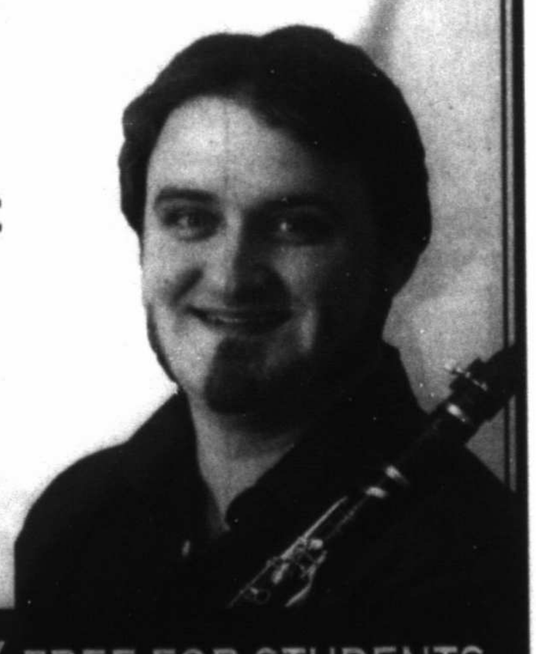
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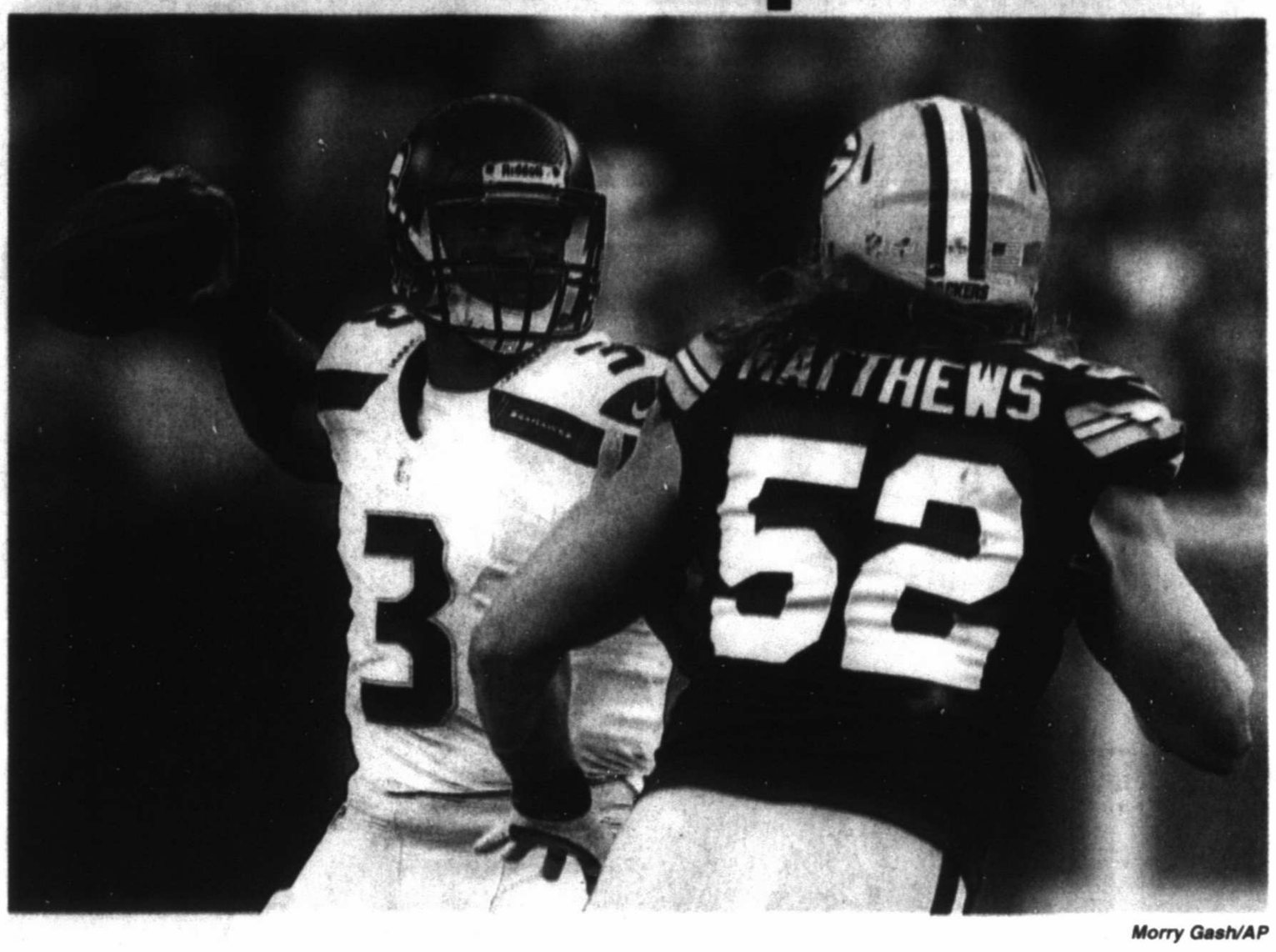
Who's in the Super Bowl?



Morry Gash/AP

In this Aug. 23, 2013, file photo, Seattle Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson tries to avoid the rush of Green Bay Packers outside linebacker Clay Matthews (52) in Green Bay, Wis. The Seahawks and Packers meet in the NFC Championship today in Seattle.

Seattle and Green Bay meet for NFC title

By Tim Booth
Associated Press

SEATTLE — Eventually, the paths of Green Bay and Seattle were going to cross again.

After they opened the 2014 NFL season in early September, it seemed inevitable that Aaron Rodgers would get a second chance to throw at Richard Sherman — if he wanted to. That Russell Wilson would have to avoid Clay Matthews trying to chase him down. And that the Packers would get another opportunity to topple Seattle and be the elite of the NFC.

They were the two best teams in the conference in the second half of the regular season. So it's only fitting the Packers and Seahawks meet today for the NFC championship and a trip to the Super Bowl.

"It's just the way it should be. It should be just like that right now," Seattle coach Pete Carroll said.

The game

NFC CHAMPIONSHIP
GREEN BAY AT SEATTLE

When: 2:05 p.m. Sunday
Location: CenturyLink Field, Seattle
TV: Fox
Radio: KNFM (92.3 FM)

Don't be mistaken by their recent prowess, this wasn't a smooth ride for either franchise. Whether it was Rodgers telling Packers' fans to "R-E-L-A-X" early in the season, or Seattle dealing with the expectations of being a Super Bowl champion, along with the stunning midseason trade of Percy Harvin, this was no cruise.

"It was a process throughout the year," Green Bay linebacker Julius Peppers said. "You get better and better each week. That is the main thing you want to do each week, get better than you were before, and I think we accomplished that over the season."

Green Bay has added one more obstacle in the postseason: Rodgers' left calf injury that has limited his mobility. But Rodgers showed in last week's divisional-round win over Dallas he can manage just fine, throwing for 316 yards and three touchdowns in the 26-21 victory.

Now All-Pro Rodgers gets his first shot at an NFC title since winning at Chicago in January 2011. A Super Bowl victory over Pittsburgh followed.

"It's a different team," Rodgers said. "I think it's less than 20 guys still here from that team. It's only four years ago. But we have confidence that we can win on the road."

Here's what else to watch for as Seattle tries to become the first defending champion in a decade to reach consecutive Super Bowls:

CALF WATCH: Rodgers' injury is

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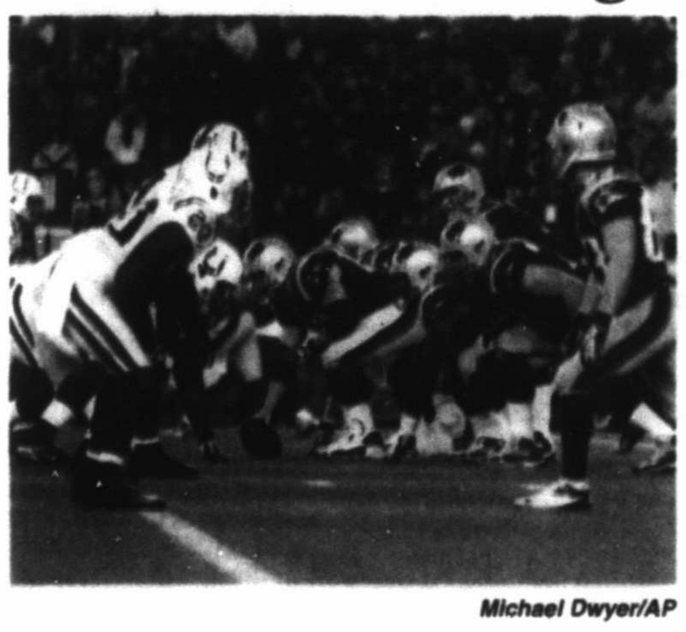
Luck looks for big step as Colts play Patriots



Michael Dwyer/AP

The New England Patriots, right, prepare to snap the ball against the Indianapolis Colts, right, during a Nov. 18 game at Gillette Stadium in Foxborough, Mass. The Patriots and Colts meet again today for the right to go to the Super Bowl.

By Howard Ulman
Associated Press

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — Step by step, Andrew Luck has climbed into the upper echelon of NFL quarterbacks.

In each of his three seasons, he and the Indianapolis Colts got one game closer to the Super Bowl. Now he can reach that destination if he beats Tom Brady and the New England Patriots in the AFC championship game Sunday night.

"I want to beat the best," Luck said. "There's a competitive spirit in all of this: 'Hey, the harder it is, the better. Let's go try and make it happen.' "

If the Colts (13-5) upset the Patriots (13-4), Luck will have accomplished a difficult feat: beating Peyton Manning and Brady in consecutive games on the way to the Super Bowl.

The game

AFC CHAMPIONSHIP
INDIANAPOLIS AT NEW ENGLAND

When: 5:40 p.m. Sunday
Location: Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, Massachussetts
TV: CBS

But a win against the 37-year-old Brady, 12 years his senior, won't be a major measuring stick for Luck's progress.

"That's not a benchmark," he said. "He's a great role model for any quarterback at any level playing the position, but it's a team game. To me, it's as simple as that."

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Roussel, Benn score in third period, Stars edge Capitals

Associated Press

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See the NHL roundup and standings.

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DALLAS — Antoine Roussel and Jamie Benn scored 16 seconds apart in the third period, and the Dallas Stars edged the Washington Capitals 5-4 on Saturday night after losing a 3-0 lead.

Roussel broke a 3-3 tie 3:14 into the third by tapping in the puck from left of the net. Benn added his goal at 3:30.

Tyler Seguin, Erik Cole and Jason Spezza each had a goal and an assist, and Jyrki Jokipakka added two assists for Dallas.

Alex Ovechkin's breakaway goal 21 seconds into the third period helped Washington rally from a three-goal deficit.

Nicklas Backstrom, Eric Fehr and Andre Burakovsky also scored for Washington, which took a second straight loss for the first time since Dec. 2.

Dallas' Kari Lehtonen made 28 saves. Justin Peters had 21 in his first start since Nov. 29 for Washington.

Seguin scored a power-play goal 2:26 into the game. He took a cross-ice backhand pass from Spezza in the left faceoff circle, skated in and shot the puck under Peters' right arm.

Cole's tip-in goal at 18:18 of the first period extended the lead to 2-0. A review ruled that Cole did not use a high stick to redirect Jokipakka's shot from the blue line.

LM Otero/AP

Dallas Stars left wing Jamie Benn (14) and center Tyler Seguin (91) congratulate each in Saturday's game against the Washington Capitals in Dallas.

Tori Eichenberger/ Lubbock Avalanche-Journal

Texas Tech's Randy Onwuasor, right, guards TCU's Brandon Parrish on Saturday in Lubbock.

TCU overpowers Texas Tech

Horned Frogs	62
Red Raiders	42

By Daniel Paulling
Associated Press

LUBBOCK — TCU's losing streak is over.

The Horned Frogs broke a 23-game Big 12 skid with a 62-42 road win against Texas Tech on Saturday. The victory was also their first on the road in Big 12 play.

Their last Big 12 win came March 9, 2013, in a 70-67 home win against Oklahoma.

Inside

See more college basketball coverage including a roundup of Texas games.

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"It's been a long time coming in league play for us this year," Horned Frogs coach Trent Johnson said. "We don't have time to worry about what's happened in the past as opposed to moving forward to the future."

Kyan Anderson scored a game-high 19 points to lead the Horned Frogs 14-3, 1-3), and Chauncey Collins added 10. But their team's defense, which entered the game No. 3 nationally in field goal percentage (34.5 percent) and No. 12 in scoring defense (55.9 points per game), led the Horned Frogs to their streak-busting win.

The Red Raiders (10-8, 0-5) shot 11 of 48 (22.9 percent) and had season lows in shooting percentage (20 percent) and points (14) in the first half, their fewest points at halftime since 1998.

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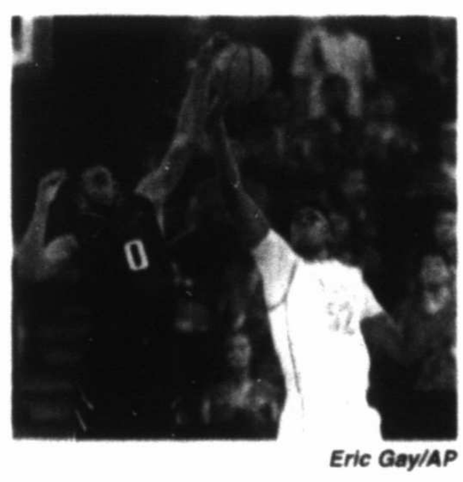

Eric Gay/AP

West Virginia's Jaysean Paige (0) and Texas' Myles Turner (52) leap for a rebound during the first half Saturday in Austin.

Longhorns muscle past Mountaineers

No. 20 Longhorns	77
No. 16 Mountaineers	50

By Jim Vertuno
Associated Press

AUSTIN — West Virginia's frenetic, high-pressure style of play can rarely be called a basketball ballet, even when the Mountaineers are winning.

Attach it to a 27-point loss and it got downright ugly.

Cam Ridley scored 19 points, setting the tone with a thunderous early dunk, as No. 20 Texas controlled the No. 16 Mountaineers nearly from the start Saturday night in a bruising 77-50 win. The Longhorns snapped a two-game losing skid.

Jonathan Holmes added 16 points and 11 rebounds for the Longhorns, who routinely peppered the Mountaineers with dunks, blocks and ripped down rebounds at will. Myles Turner added 16 points for the Longhorns (13-4, 2-2 Big 12) in a game

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DAILYRUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

TODAY

WHAT'S ON TV

COLLEGE WRESTLING

West Virginia at Oklahoma, 2 p.m., FSSW/FCSC

Cal Poly at Stanford, 5 p.m., P12

Air Force at Stanford, 7 p.m., P12

GOLF

Latin America Amateur Championship, Final Round, 10 a.m., ESPN2

PGA: Sony Open in Hawaii, Final Round, 3 p.m., NBC

PGA: Sony Open in Hawaii, Final Round, 5 p.m., GOLF

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Indiana at Illinois, Noon, BTN

St. John's at DePaul, 1:30 p.m., FS1

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

Missouri State at Northern Iowa, 3 p.m., ESPNU

Boise State at New Mexico, 5 p.m., CBSSN

Virginia Tech at North Carolina, 5:30 p.m., ESPNU

Oregon at Washington, 7:30 p.m., ESPNU

MEN'S COLLEGE HOCKEY

Boston College at Maine, 2 p.m., FCSA

MEN'S SOCCER

English Premier: Hull City at West Ham, 7:30 a.m., NBCSN

Italian Serie A: Atalanta BC vs. AC Milan, 7:55 a.m., beIN

Italian Serie A: SSC Napoli vs. ASS Lazio, 7:55 a.m., beIN2

La Liga: Granada CF vs. Club Atletico Madrid, 9:55 a.m., beIN/beIN2

English Premier: Arsenal at Manchester City, 10 a.m., NBCSN/TELE

La Liga: Barcelona vs. Deportivo La Coruna, 11:55 a.m., beIN/beIN2

Liga MX: Jaguares de Chiapas vs. Deportivo Toluca, 11:55 a.m., UniDep

Italian Serie A: Hellas Verona vs. Juventus, 1:55 p.m., beIN

La Liga: Malaga CF vs. Sevilla, 1:55 p.m., beIN2

FIFA U-20: Argentina vs. Peru, 3:55 p.m., beIN2

Liga MX: Pumas de la UNAM vs. CD Guadalajara, 4:55 p.m., UniMas

FIFA U-20: Ecuador vs. Bolivia, 5:55 p.m., beIN2

CONCACAF U-20: USA vs. Jamaica, 7 p.m., FS2/UniDep

Ascenso MX: Torneo Clausura, 8 p.m., UniDep2

MIXED MARTIAL ARTS

UFC: McGregor vs. Siver, Prelims, 6 p.m., FS1/FOXDEP

UFC: McGregor vs. Siver, 9 p.m., FS1/FOXDEP

NBA

Utah at San Antonio, 6 p.m., FSSWP/FSSWSA

NBA D-LEAGUE

Showcase: Consolation Game, Noon, NBAtv

Showcase: Erie Bayhawks vs. Iowa Energy, 2:45 p.m., NBAtv

Showcase: Delaware 87ers vs. Los Angeles D-Fenders, 5:30 p.m., NBAtv

Showcase: Reno Bighorns vs. Rio Grande Valley Vipers, 9 p.m., NBAtv

NFL

NFC Championship: Green Bay at Seattle, 2 p.m., FOX/FOXDEP

AFC Championship: Indianapolis at New England, 5:30 p.m., CBS

NHL

NY Rangers at Pittsburgh, 11:30 a.m., NBC

Dallas at Chicago, 5 p.m., FSSW

Buffalo at Detroit, 7 p.m., NBCSN

OHL HOCKEY

Niagara IceDogs at Belleville Bulls, 2 p.m., NHL

TENNIS

Australian Open, 6 p.m., ESPN2

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

George Mason at Richmond, 11 a.m., ESPNU

Villanova at Xavier, 11 a.m., FS1

USF at Connecticut, Noon, ESPN2

Miami at Duke, Noon, FSSW

Kentucky at LSU, 1 p.m., ESPNU

George Washington at Massachusetts, 1 p.m., CBSSN

Colorado at Utah, 1 p.m., P12

Iowa at Michigan State, 2 p.m., ESPN2

Indiana at Minnesota, 2 p.m., BTN

Missouri at Arkansas, 2 p.m., SEC

Saint Joseph's at Duquesne, 3 p.m., CBSSN

Alabama at Mississippi State, 3 p.m., FSSWP

Arizona at California, 3 p.m., P12

Dayton at Saint Bonaventure, 4 p.m., NBCSN

Ole Miss at Texas A&M, 4 p.m., SEC

USC at UCLA, 9:30 p.m., P12

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Assigned C Ryan Lavarnway outright to Norfolk (IL).

NEW YORK YANKEES — Designated OF Eury Perez for assignment.

SEATTLE MARINERS — Assigned LHP Anthony Fernandez outright to Tacoma (PCL).

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Agreed to terms with RHP Yoan Lopez on a minor league contract.

ATLANTA BRAVES — Assigned INF Tyler Pastornicky outright to Gwinnett (IL).

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

NEW YORK KNICKS — Signed G Langston Galloway to a second consecutive 10-day contract.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Released TE Steve Maneri. Signed DL Joe Vellano from the practice squad.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

DALLAS STARS — Recalled F Curtis McKenzie and D Jyrki Jokipakka from Texas (AHL). Placed F Brett Richie on injured reserve retroactive to Dec. 15.

NASHVILLE PREDATORS — Recalled D Anthony Bitetto from Milwaukee (AHL).

OTTAWA SENATORS — Recalled F Jakub Culek from Evansville (ECHL). to Binghamton (AHL).

WASHINGTON CAPITALS — AssignedG Brandon Anderson to Tulsa (ECHL).

American Hockey League

AHL — Suspended Binghamton LW Darren Kramer one game.

BINGHAMTON SENATORS — Recalled F Dany Hobbs from Evansville (ECHL).

HAMILTON BULLDOGS — Released F Shane Bakker from a professional tryout agreement. Signed F Sahir Gill to a professional tryout agreement. Assigned D David Makowski to Wheeling (ECHL). Recalled G Franky Palazzese from Wheeling.

LEHIGH VALLEY PHANTOMS — Recalled F Kevin Goumas from Reading (ECHL).

MANCHESTER MONARCHS — Signed G Joe Howe to a professional tryout agreement.

NORFOLK ADMIRALS — Assigned F Steve Macintyre to Utah (ECHL).

ECHL

ALLEN AMERICANS — Signed D Daniel Barnes. Added G Josh Timberger as emergency backup.

EVANSVILLE ICEMEN — Signed D Bo Driscoll.

IDAHO STEELHEADS — Signed F Mike Curry.

INDY FUEL — Released G Tony Giordano as emergency backup. Added G John Havrilack as emergency backup.

READING ROYALS — Signed D Gentry Zoilers. Added G Chris Bourgeois as emergency backup.

TULSA OILERS — Released G Kevin Murdock.

WHEELING NAILERS — Released D Nicholas Kurpali. Added G Brandon Billie as emergency backup.

SOCCER

Major League Soccer

NEW YORK RED BULLS — Signed M Leo Stolz.

COLLEGE

MICHIGAN — Named Tyrone Wheatley running backs coach.

NOTRE DAME — Named Jim McLaughlin volleyball coach.

BOWL GLANCE

Saturday, Dec. 20

New Orleans Bowl

Louisiana-Lafayette 16, Nevada 3

New Mexico Bowl

At Albuquerque

Utah State 21, UTEP 6

Las Vegas Bowl

Utah 45, Colorado State 10

Famous Idaho Potato Bowl

At Boise

Air Force 38, Western Michigan 24

Camellia Bowl

At Montgomery, Ala.

Bowling Green 33, South Alabama 28

Monday, Dec. 22

Miami Beach Bowl

Memphis 55, BYU 48, 2OT

Tuesday, Dec. 23

Boca Raton (Fla.) Bowl

Marshall 52, Northern Illinois 23

Poinsettia Bowl

At San Diego

Navy 17, San Diego State 16

Wednesday, Dec. 24

Bahamas Bowl

At Nassau

Western Kentucky 49, Central Michigan 48

Hawaii Bowl

At Honolulu

Rice 30, Fresno State 6

Friday, Dec. 26

Heart of Dallas Bowl

Louisiana Tech 35, Illinois 18

Quick Lane Bowl

At Detroit

Rutgers 40, North Carolina 21

St. Petersburg (Fla.) Bowl

N.C. State 34, UCF 27

Saturday, Dec. 27

Military Bowl

At Annapolis, Md.

Virginia Tech 33, Cincinnati 17

Sun Bowl

At El Paso

Arizona State 36, Duke 31

Independence Bowl

At Shreveport, La.

South Carolina 24, Miami 21

Pinstripe Bowl

At Bronx, N.Y.

Penn State 31, Boston College 30, OT

Holiday Bowl

At San Diego

Southern Cal 45, Nebraska 42

Monday, Dec. 29

Liberty Bowl

At Memphis, Tenn.

Texas A&M 45, West Virginia 37

Russell Athletic Bowl

At Orlando, Fla.

Clemson 40, Oklahoma 6

Texas Bowl

At Houston

Arkansas 31, Texas 7

Tuesday, Dec. 30

Music City Bowl

At Nashville, Tenn.

Notre Dame 31, LSU 28

Sun Bowl

At Charlotte, N.C.

Georgia 37, Louisville 14

Fosters Farm Bowl

At Santa Clara, Calif.

Stanford 45, Maryland 24

Wednesday, Dec. 31

Peach Bowl

At Atlanta

TCU 42, Mississippi 3

Fiesta Bowl

At Glendale, Ariz.

Boise State 38, Arizona 30

Orange Bowl

At Miami Gardens, Fla.

Georgia Tech 49, Mississippi State 34

Thursday, Jan. 1

Outback Bowl

At Tampa, Fla.

Wisconsin 34, Auburn 31, OT

Cotton Bowl Classic

At Arlington

Michigan State 42, Baylor 41

Citrus Bowl

At Orlando, Fla.

Missouri 33, Minnesota 17

Rose Bowl

At Pasadena, Calif.

Playoff semifinal: Oregon 59, Florida State 20

Sugar Bowl

At New Orleans

Playoff semifinal: Ohio State 42, Alabama 35

Friday, Jan. 2

Armed Forces Bowl

At Fort Worth

Houston 35, Pittsburgh 34

TaxSlayer Bowl

At Jacksonville, Fla.

Tennessee 45, Iowa 28

Alamo Bowl

At San Antonio

UCLA 40, Kansas State 35

Cactus Bowl

At Tempe, Ariz.

Oklahoma State 30, Washington 22

Saturday, Jan. 3

Birmingham (Ala.) Bowl

Florida 28, East Carolina 20

Sunday, Jan. 4

GoDaddy Bowl

At Mobile, Ala.

Toledo 63, Arkansas State 44

Saturday, Jan. 10

Medal of Honor Bowl

At Charleston, S.C.

National 26, AFC 14 Monday, Jan. 12

College Football Championship

At Arlington

Ohio State 42, Oregon 20

Saturday, Jan. 17

East-West Shrine Classic

At St. Petersburg, Fla.

East 19, West 3

NFLPA Collegiate Bowl

At Carson, Calif.

National 17, American 7

Saturday, Jan. 24

Senior Bowl

At Mobile, Ala.

North vs. South, 4 p.m. (NFLN)

SKI REPORT

ROCKIES

New Mexico

Angel Fire — Sat 6:45 am packed powder machine groomed 29-29 base 66 of 76 trails 86% open, 450 acres, 7 of 7 lifts, Mon-Thu: 9a-4p Fri: 9a-6p Sat: 8a-6p Sun: 9a-4p

Red River – Sat 8:19 am packed powder machine groomed 25-30 base 44 of 57 trails 78% open, 225 acres, 7 of 7 lifts, sm Mon-Fri: 9a-4p Sat/Sun: 9a-4p

Sipapu — Sat 5:13 am packed powder machine groomed 21-29 base 41 of 41 trails, 98% open 5 of 5 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p Sat/Sun: 9a-4p

HSBASKETBALLROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Girls

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 66 FW CHRISTIAN 16

FORT WORTH — The Midland Christian girls basketball team rolled to a 66-16 TAPPS District 1-4A win over Fort Worth Christian on Saturday. The Lady Mustangs forced 30 FWC turnovers in the game and led, 36-7, at halftime.

Caroline Hammond scored a game-high 18 points for MCS, while Bailey Wright added 16.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 66, FORT WORTH CHRISTIAN 16

MCS (21-6, 4-0 in TAPPS 1-4A) — Megan Ashton 12, Skyler Bennett 4, Danielle Anastacio 2, Blaire Netherlin 8, Lindsey Mills 4, Megan McClendon 2, Bailey Wright 16, Caroline Hammond 18

FWC	3	4	7	3—16
MCS	18	16	17	15—66

Free throws — FWC 3-7, MCS 6-13. 3-point goals — FWC 1, MCS 2 (Wright). Total fouls — FWC 12, MCS 12. Fouled out — none.

Next game: MCS at Lubbock Trinity, 6 p.m. Jan. 20

Boys

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 72 FW CHRISTIAN 52

FORT WORTH — Grant Little scored a game-high 31 points to help the Midland Christian boys' basketball team roll to a 72-52 win against Fort Worth Christian in TAPPS District 1-4A play on Saturday. Daniel Venzant added 21 points to MCS' winning effort.

MCS was challenged in the second half, as it only outscored FWC, 41-38, over the final 16 minutes. But the Mustangs had established enough separation early, as they led, 31-14, at halftime to carry them to the win. The Mustangs also benefited from 39 free-throw attempts in the game.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 72 FORT WORTH CHRISTIAN 52

FWC (0-5 in TAPPS 1-4A) — Sporey 13, Walters 5, Laird 6, Campbell 15, Zilner 2, Marshall 11

MCS (12-8, 3-1 in TAPPS 1-4A) — Daniel Venzant 21, Sam Gilbert 6, Bryce Waters 6, Grant Little 31, Luke McComic 2, Luke Watson 4

FWC	7	7	18	20—52
MCS	10	21	21	20—72

Free throws — FWC 7-14, MCS 29-39. 3-point goals — FWC 5 (Sporey 2, Walters, Laird 2), MCS 7 (Venzant, Gilbert 2, Waters, Little 3). Total fouls — FWC 25, MCS 16. Fouled out — FWC (Walters, Sliner).

Next game: MCS at Lubbock Trinity, 7:30 p.m. Jan. 20

FRIDAY'S LATE 3-6A BOX

BOYS

SAN ANGELO CENTRAL 44, ODESSA HIGH 38

OHS (6-12, 0-1 in 3-6A) — Phillip Estrella 13, Marcos Aguilar 2, Esteban Lopez 2, Isaac Hernandez 9, Ozzy Terrazas 3, Chris Fox 9

Central (8-11, 1-0 in 3-6A) — Isaiah Oliver 9, Kolton Kohl 4, Anthony Signorelli 13, Cody Henson 3, Will Grindstaff 2, Christian Cardenas 6, Eli Vega 2

OHS	8	12	12	9—38
Central	10	13	13	18—44

Free throws — OHS 7-17, Central 13-21. 3-point goals — Odessa High 3 (Hernandez 2, Estrella 1), Central 2 (Oliver 1, Henson 1).

Next game: Central at Odessa Permian, 7:30 p.m. Jan. 20; OHS at Abilene High, 7:30 p.m. Jan. 20

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Nathan Bowden, center, blocks a kick from Amarillo High's Jadon Lemons, left as Lee goalkeeper Tristen Telesca defends in the President's Cup tournament Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium.

PRESIDENT'SCUPROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

LEE FALLS 2-0 TO AMARILLO HIGH

The Lee boys' soccer team wrapped up its play in the President's Cup with a 2-0 loss to Amarillo High on Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium.

Amarillo High scored in the 15th and 30th minutes to put the game away in the first half. No information on the goal scorers was provided.

Lee co-head coach Scott Hicks said his team had trouble clearing the ball when Amarillo High threatened to score.

"We let Amarillo get inside the '18 (yard box)," Hicks said. "We've got to clean up the back or they're going to put the ball in in the net. We have to learn to be more consistent."

Lee (2-4-2) will open play in the Wichita Falls Tournament on Thursday.

MIDLAND HIGH LOSES 1-0 TO EL PASO SOCORRO

A day after coming back from a 2-0 deficit against El Paso Bowie to earn two points, the MHS boys' soccer team dropped its final match of the President's Cup tournament, 1-0, to El Paso Socorro on Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium. No information on the goal scorer was provided.

Socorro won all three of its games in the tournament, earning 18 points as the President's Cup winner.

MHS (3-3-2) will begin play in the Wichita Falls Tournament on Thursday.

PRESIDENT'S CUP

Thursday-Saturday

Note: All games at Grande Communications Stadium unless otherwise noted

Thursday's Scores

Amarillo High 1, Odessa Permian 0

El Paso Socorro 6, Wolfforth Frenship 0

Midland High 0, Amarillo Tascosa 0

Odessa High 1, El Paso Eastwood 1

Lee 0, El Paso Bowie 0

Friday's Scores

Wolfforth Frenship 1, Odessa Permian 1

Amarillo High 1, El Paso Eastwood 0

Odessa High 3, Amarillo Tascosa 0

El Paso Socorro 5, Lee 2

El Paso Bowie 2, Midland High 2

Saturday's Scores

El Paso Eastwood 1, Amarillo Tascosa 0

El Paso Socorro 1, Midland High 0

Amarillo High 2, Lee 0

El Paso Bowie 2, Odessa Permian 0

Odessa High 3, Wolfforth Frenship 1

Bulldog powerlifters win Abilene High Invitational

From staff reports

ABILENE — The Midland High boys' powerlifting team took first place with a score of 60 points at the Abilene High Invitational on Saturday. Five different MHS lifters came in first in their respective weight class — Tucker Craig (114), Chase Rheilander (148), Nicky Hoang (181), Coleton Whitlock (220) and Jacob Granado (275), who won the tournament's Outstanding Big Platform Lifter award.

On the girls' side, MHS's Courtney Trice won first place in the 220 plus-pound weight class, while Sara Zuniga fnished third in the 148-pound class.

TOP 5 BOYS TEAM SCORES

1st Place — Midland High-60 pts.

2nd Place — Abilene High-30 pts.

3rd place — Merkel-27 pts.

4rd Place — Clyde- 24pts.

5th Place — Abilene Cooper- 17pts.

MIDLAND HIGH BOYS INDIVIDUAL RESULTS:

114lbs — Tucker Craig, 1st Place, 675 total

148 lbs. — Chase Rheilander. 1st Place. 910 total

181 lbs. — Nicky Hoang, 1st Place. 1205 total; Roberto Natividad, 3rd Place, 1025 total

220 lbs. — Coleton Whitlock, 1st Place. 1490 total; Dillon Springer, 2nd Place, 1275 total; Turner Phillips, 3rd Place, 1115 total

242 lbs. — Javier Valdes, 2nd Place, 1380 total; Payton Helting, 4th Place, 1260 total

275 lbs. — Jacob Granado, 1st Place, 1605 total; Devon Miller, 2nd Place, 1570 total

SHW — CJ Carillo, 2nd Place, 1350 total

Outstanding Big Platform Lifter — Jacob Granado- 1605 total

INDIVIDUAL MIDLAND HIGH GIRLS RESULTS:

148 lbs. — Sara Zuniga, 3rd Place, 550lbs.

220+lbs. — Courtney Trice, 1st place, 800 total

UTPBROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

UTPB WOMEN COME UP SHORT ON THE ROAD

LAREDO — Despite four players scoring in double figures — Giselle Loya with 18 points, Valerie Barriga with 15, Brianna Jones with 15 and Myangel Johnson with 11 — the University of Texas of the Permian Basin women's basketball team dropped its Heartland Conference game, 72-68, to Texas A&M International University on Saturday.

The Falcons (10-5, 4-3 in HC) made a second half run, but couldn't pull out the victory after trailing, 33-25, at halftime. Keiona Matthews led TAMIU (8-8, 4-4 in HC) with a game-high 31 points, while Jessica Prieto added 20.

UTPB MEN ESCAPE LAREDO WITH DUNK

LAREDO — The University of Texas of the Permian Basin men's basketball team took home a 60-58 Heartland Conference road win against Texas A&M International University, thanks to Codye Hatcher's winning dunk as time expired on Saturday.

Chris Griffin paced the Falcons (11-5, 6-2 in HC) with 20 points, while Madison Turner added eight points. Patrick Carlson poured in 20 points for TAMIU (8-8, 3-5 in HC). Vadal Faniel chipped in 14 points for the Dust Devils.

Derby, Preakness winner California Chrome horse of the year

By Tim Reynolds

Associated Press

HALLANDALE BEACH, Fla. — California Chrome's rags-to-riches story keeps getting better.

The winner of the Kentucky Derby and the Preakness last year picked up two Eclipse Awards at Gulfstream Park on Saturday night, including horse of the year — the biggest prize, one that would have figured to be unthinkable for the offspring of an $8,000 mare and $2,500 stallion.

California Chrome also won the Eclipse for 3-year-old males, getting more than three times the first-place nods that went to Breeders' Cup Classic champion Bayern.

"This has been an incredible journey," said Steve Coburn, California Chrome's co-owner.

California Chrome's bid to become the sport's first Triple Crown winner since 1978 was foiled in the Belmont Stakes when he finished tied for fourth, but his year was still an unmistakable success with just over $4 million in earnings and six wins in nine starts.

Bayern was also up for the horse-of-the-year award, as was Main Sequence — who went 4 for 4 in 2014, all on turf.

"This is a fairytale come true for us ... it's just amazing," Coburn said.

Todd Pletcher extended his record with a seventh Eclipse award as top trainer, all in the last 11 years. Chad Brown was second and Art Sherman — California Chrome's trainer — was third.

Pletcher recalled the story of how his application for stall space at Gulfstream when he was getting started in 1995 was denied.

"And rightfully so," Pletcher said. "I had seven horses, four of them were owned by my dad and they were all-maidens. So at that time, I never could have even dreamed that being nominated for an award like this was possible."

Javier Castellano won his second straight Eclipse award in the jockey division, making the 11th rider in history to take that honor in consecutive years. Castellano was the top choice on 77 percent of the ballots cast.

Main Sequence got a pair of Eclipse awards, in both the older male category — edging Palice Malice in perhaps a surprise — and as a runaway winner in the male turf division over Wise Dan.

Kenneth and Sarah Ramsey repeated as Eclipse winners in the owner and breeder divisions. They took the owner Eclipse for a record-tying fourth time, the breeder one for the second straight year.

"It never gets old," Kenneth Ramsey said.

Texas Red was an upset winner of last year's Breeders' Cup Juvenile, a race that opened up when heavy favorite American Pharoah was scratched in the days leading up to the race with a foot problem. Voters rewarded American Pharoah's two wins in three races last year with the Eclipse, in the closest balloting — 126 votes for American Pharoah, 111 for Texas Red.

In many of the filly classes, the votes were runaways.

Out of the 265 ballots cast, Untapable was a unanimous selection for the 3-year-old filly Eclipse, Judy the Beauty got all but four votes in the female sprinter class, Dayaththespa got every first-place nod but five in the female turf division and Take Charge Brandi — who led all juveniles with just over $1.6 million in earnings last year — got 89 percent of the support in the 2-year-old filly division.

"I think you've made a smart decision," said Take Charge Brandi owner Willis Horton, as the room broke into laughs.

Penn Staters, victim advocates don't embrace NCAA over deal

By Mike Rubinkam and Marc Levy
Associated Press

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — Not everybody is happy after the NCAA agreed to restore football wins it had stripped from Penn State and Joe Paterno in the Jerry Sandusky child-molestation scandal, and the NCAA did not necessarily win any fans with the move.

The agreement, swiftly approved Friday by the boards of the NCAA and the university after intermittent talks heated up this week, lifts the last of the sanctions imposed in 2012 and wipes away the black marks that had tainted one of the nation's most celebrated college athletics programs.

It reinstates the venerated late coach as the winningest in major college football history, prompting the family of Paterno, who died as the scandal was unfolding, to hail the agreement.

But lawyers for Sandusky's victims worried that the NCAA's retreat sent the wrong message. And in State College, home to Penn State's sprawling main campus nicknamed Happy Valley, the news was welcome, although not everybody felt warmly toward the NCAA.

The sanctions damaged Penn State and its reputation, and that will take time to heal, many said.

"Getting the wins back is more of a gesture," said Jason Rohrer, a student season-ticket holder from Philadelphia. "It's not like all of a sudden, 'Oh, yeah, the wins are back, we're fine now.' It's more of, 'The damage has been done, the way you guys handled it hurt us as a community. We came through it and it's nice, I guess, for you guys to be able to do this for us.'"

Michael Boni, a lawyer for one of the victims who testified at Sandusky's trial, said he does not believe Paterno's victories should be reinstated because they were "tarnished" by Sandusky. He also said he sensed a shift in Penn State's attitude after the criminal case against Sandusky wrapped up and the university concluded civil settlements with victims.

"There was a movement away from what I thought was a genuine mea culpa on the part of Penn State, having accepted the NCAA sanctions, and one toward, 'Why did we cave so easily?' That was disappointing," Boni said.

After more than two years of criticism that the NCAA had overstepped its authority, officials with college sports' governing body said they made the deal to end litigation that had held up distribution of the university's $60 million fine to fund child abuse prevention programs.

Paterno's family called the agreement "a great victory for everyone who has fought for the truth in the Sandusky tragedy," and they blasted the penalties as an unjust attack on the university, coaches, players and administrators.

Paterno's son, Jay Paterno, a former football team assistant coach, said the family's fight against the NCAA was never about the wins, but rather about undoing the damage done by the NCAA and Penn State's board of trustees, which agreed to the sanctions.

"I'm more happy for the guys who made the sacrifices on and off the field, guys who got hurt, guys who were up till 2 o'clock in the morning to get their degree to make us into a program that all of us could be proud of," Paterno said.

Paterno's widow, Sue Paterno, called the action "a great day for Penn State" but said she also hopes three former university officials facing criminal charges in the case will be cleared. Then-president Graham Spanier, former athletic director Tim Curley and former vice president Gary Schultz are accused of covering up complaints about Sandusky, a retired defensive coach.

"We're going to still keep looking for the truth to get everything right for everybody, because we still have Tim, Gary, and Graham that have to be exonerated in all this," Sue Paterno told WJAC-TV.

Sandusky was convicted in 2012 of sexually abusing 10 children, sometimes on campus, and is serving 30 to 60 years in prison.

The pact emerged just days after a federal judge declined to rule on the constitutionality of the sanctions and weeks before a Pennsylvania court was to hold a trial on the legality of the penalties.

"Today is a victory for Penn State nation," said Pennsylvania Senate Majority Leader Jake Corman, who had sued the NCAA with state Treasurer Rob McCord. "The NCAA has surrendered."

Big 5 pass cost of attendance as NCAA autonomy begins

By Ralph D. Russo
Associated Press

OXON HILL, Md. — The five most powerful and wealthiest conferences in college sports passed NCAA legislation that increases the value of an athletic scholarship by several thousand dollars to cover the federally determined actual cost of attendance.

Legislative autonomy for the Big Five — the Big Ten, Big 12, Atlantic Coast Conference, Pac-12 and Southeastern Conference — was voted in last year and Saturday at the NCAA convention was its first chance to use it.

The group of 65 schools is now allowed to pass legislation on its own, without the support of the schools in the other 27 conferences that make up Division I.

"It is a special day," Atlantic Coast Commissioner John Swofford said. "It's historic, first of all, in that these 65 schools are in a room by themselves with the ability to pass legislation. That's never happened before. I've never attended a convention where the primary focus of most of what was being discussed was about the student-athlete and the student-athlete's experiences. "

The cost of attendance was expected to pass and did so overwhelmingly by a 79-1 margin.

The move toward autonomy was spurred after a proposal to add a $2,000 stipend to the value of a scholarship to help cover the cost of attendance for athletes was shot down in 2011 by schools that were concerned they could not afford it and it would create a recruiting advantage for those that could.

Now those schools don't have a say, though the legislation passed Saturday by the autonomous group will allow any school to opt in — or out.

Leaders from the other five FBS conferences have indicated they intend to pay full cost of attendance. Other Division I conferences have said they will consider cost of attendance for some sports but not necessarily all. The exact value of cost of attendance will vary from school to school. Currently, an athletic scholarship covers the cost of tuition, room and board, books and fees. The new scholarships will cover the cost of additional expenses, up to the full amount a traditional student might spend annually.

The Big Five also passed a concussion protocol proposal and a proposal that will guarantee four-year scholarships, instead of allowing them to be renewed from year to year as they are now. All the new legislation goes into effect Aug. 1.

For the first time in NCAA Division I history student-athletes were involved in the voting process, 15 in all out of a total of 80 delegates from the five conferences.

Sitting Clay Matthews was a Pete Carroll error

Barry Wilner
Associated Press

RENTON, Wash. — During one of the most successful coaching careers in football, Pete Carroll rarely has committed errors. He did at Southern California with Clay Matthews, and Carroll still shakes his head about it.

A defensive mastermind throughout his years in pro and college football, Carroll always has had an eye for talented linebackers. Somehow, he didn't immediately see the skill in Matthews, a third-generation player who wasn't much more than a special teams guy early on with the Trojans.

Today, Carroll's Seahawks (13-4) will face Matthews' Packers (13-4) in the NFC championship game. Carroll loves what he sees out of Matthews, a five-time Pro Bowler — even though the coach didn't recognize that playmaking ability back at USC.

"That's a really interesting story," Carroll began. "Clay comes from a great family, an SC family: dad, uncle and all of that had been All-Americans and All-Pros. ... His older brother was a walk-on player before him.

"When Clay came in he was 208 pounds and he didn't run really well. He wasn't really strong, but he loved playing and he tried really hard."

Carroll paused, looking as if he wanted to smack himself upside the head before he continued with the SC saga.

"Unfortunately, this is one of the great mistakes that I missed in my coaching at SC was how good of a player he was," Carroll added. "I had said going in I think maybe his junior year, somebody asked me about Clay Matthews, and I said, 'I think he might be one of the best special teamers to ever play at USC.' He was a great player on (special) teams.

"I knew I couldn't really validate that, but I was blowing him up because he was a great kid."

Fast-forward to Matthews' final season with the Trojans. He was not a starter when top-ranked Southern Cal was losing at Oregon State. Searching for some answers, Carroll turned to Matthews.

The Trojans still lost, but Carroll realized he'd missed the mark earlier with Matthews.

"We put him in the game, and we said, 'We know Clay will do the right thing,'" Carroll said. "He started playing there, and he's been a great player since the time he was given the opportunity to show it. He was always there banging away, always there fighting, clawing and scratching."

NFC

From 1C

slowing him from scrambling before throwing, one of his strengths. His right arm is just fine. Rodgers got hurt during the Dec. 21 game against Tampa Bay. He still completed 74 percent of his passes in his last three games, including the win over Dallas. Coach Mike McCarthy has had Rodgers operating out of shotgun formations to help limit his movement.

Perhaps just as importantly for the Packers has been the solid work of the offensive line much of the year. All-Pro fullback John Kuhn, an excellent blocker, has also seen more time of late. Rodgers will need top-notch protection against Seattle's tough defense.

SILENT SHERM: Sherman, another All-Pro, was bored when Green Bay visited in the season opener. Through the entire game, Rodgers refused to throw at the cornerback, instead turning to the other side of the field. Sherman took Rodgers' approach as a sign of respect. It also left him frustrated. He described it as being a "12" on a 1-10 scale.

"Everybody's like, 'Man, that's cool, nobody threw to your side,'" Sherman said. "But if you're a player, you want to make plays in the game, you feel you can help your team, you want the ball coming your way more."

Sherman doesn't expect it the same this time.

"I'm not surprised either way," Sherman said. "But I expect them to execute their game plan, whatever that may be. Not sure what they're going to do."

ATTITUDE: Linebackers Clay Matthews and Julius Peppers draw the headlines and make big plays on the Packers' defense. Lineman Mike Daniels supplies the attitude. A mainstay up front, Daniels' demeanor sets a stern tone on game day.

They'll need Daniels and fellow lineman Letroy Guion to slow down bullish running back Marshawn Lynch just enough to allow linebackers Matthews and Sam Barrington, and safety Morgan Burnett to try to finish off tackles up the middle. Daniels has 14 tackles and two sacks over his last four games.

COMING OF AGE: When Green Bay visited in Week 1, center Corey Linsley, wide receiver Davante Adams and tight end Richard Rodgers were all making their NFL debuts. Now they're integral parts of the offense. Adams was the star of Green Bay's win over Dallas last week with seven catches for 117 yards and a touchdown.

"You expect those guys to hit some sort of lull during the year, as the college season is usually 12 or 13 games," Aaron Rodgers said. "After the preseason, you're looking at midway through the season, that's a normal college season for these guys, and you haven't seen it."

THANKS BUFFALO: Seattle ultimately owes thanks to Buffalo for Sunday's title game being played at CenturyLink Field. The Bills' victory over Green Bay in Week 15 was the difference in Seattle winning the tiebreaker for the No. 1 seed in the NFC. Instead of Seattle being forced to deal with the freezing temperatures of Wisconsin, the Packers are about to enter the Seahawks' cauldron of noise — certain to be even more amped than when Green Bay visited to open the season.

"Any time we get the home games, especially the NFC championship at home, and we get to play in front of the 12s, it's exciting," Seattle safety Kam Chancellor said of the team's fan base. "It's exciting for us, exciting for them, and I think we deserve it and they deserve it, as well."

NFL Playoffs

Wild-card Playoffs
Saturday, Jan. 3
Carolina 27, Arizona 16
Baltimore 30, Pittsburgh 17
Sunday, Jan. 4
Indianapolis 26, Cincinnati 10
Dallas 24, Detroit 20
Divisional Playoffs
Saturday, Jan. 10
New England 35, Baltimore 31
Seattle 31, Carolina 17
Sunday, Jan. 11
Green Bay 26, Dallas 21
Indianapolis 24, Denver 13
Conference Championships
Today
Green Bay at Seattle, 2:05 p.m. (FOX)
Indianapolis at New England, 5:40 p.m. (CBS)
Pro Bowl
Sunday, Jan. 25
At Glendale, Ariz.
Team Irvin vs. Team Carter, 7 p.m. (ESPN)
Super Bowl
Sunday, Feb. 1
At Glendale, Ariz.
AFC champion vs. NFC champion, 5:30 p.m. (NBC)

AFC

From 1C

Luck has piled up impressive statistics since being drafted with the first pick out of Stanford in 2012.

This season, he led the NFL with 40 touchdown passes and surpassed Manning's single-season franchise high with 4,761 yards passing. He's also the only player to throw for at least 250 yards in each of his first five playoff games.

In his three seasons, the Colts lost in the wild-card round, then reached the division round and now are playing for the AFC title after Luck threw for 265 yards and two touchdowns in a 24-13 divisional round win over Denver and Manning.

"He's just stayed with the process," Colts coach Chuck Pagano said. "Right now he probably feels as good as he's ever felt."

And that's not good for the Patriots.

"He was pretty good when he came in and he's even better now," New England coach Bill Belichick said. "He's got a lot of strengths, no weaknesses."

Sounds like Brady.

The 15-year veteran will play in his ninth AFC championship game and fourth straight, but the Patriots lost two of the previous three. In last Saturday's 35-31 divisional win over the Baltimore Ravens, Brady led the Patriots back from two 14-point deficits. His three touchdown passes gave him 46 for his career, breaking Joe Montana's record of 45 in the postseason.

"We've shown a lot of improvement and it all leads to this moment," Brady said, "so we've got to be at our best."

Things to watch for as two of the NFL's highest-scoring teams meet:

CATCHING ON: When they drop back, Luck and Brady have plenty of reliable receivers to choose from.

Luck connected with eight against Denver. And one who didn't catch a pass, Reggie Wayne, needs 36 yards receiving to move past Cliff Branch for No. 3 in NFL postseason history.

"One of the things that I believe has been a reason for our success is the different playmakers that we have and the way that the ball is being spread around," Colts tight end Dwayne Allen said.

Brady completed at least four passes to six different receivers against Baltimore, including one touchdown each to Rob Gronkowski, Danny Amendola and Brandon LaFell, who caught a winning 23-yarder with just over five minutes left.

PATRIOTS RUSHING: New England used a powerful ground attack in its last two games against Indianapolis. LeGarrette Blount ran for 166 yards and four touchdowns in a 43-22 divisional win last year, and Jonas Gray rushed for 201 yards and four touchdowns in a 42-20 win Nov. 16. But the Patriots rushed only 13 times for 14 yards against the Ravens, and three of them were kneel-downs by Brady in the last two minutes.

"We chose not to run the ball more than anything else," offensive coordinator Josh McDaniels said. "It wasn't like we ran it 20 times and had 35 yards."

BOOM TOWN: The last time the teams met, Colts RB Daniel "Boom" Herron played a season-low one snap. He got his first career start in the next game and has become a dual threat. After rushing for just 74 yards and catching two passes in the first 10 games, he's had 396 yards rushing and 37 receptions. In his two playoff games, he's run for 119 yards and two touchdowns and caught 18 of 19 passes thrown his way.

"I love it," he said of his postseason performances. "That's what you're here for and that's what I've dreamed about since I've been playing football."

FOR THE RECORD: Brady needs 16 yards passing for 6,801 in his postseason career, breaking Manning's record. One more postseason win will give Belichick his 21st as a coach, snapping a tie with Tom Landry for the most in NFL history. Indianapolis kicker Adam Vinatieri, who won three Super Bowls with the Patriots and has one ring with the Colts, will break Jerry Rice's mark for most postseason games with his 30th. He also can set a record with his 14th consecutive postseason game with a field goal, breaking a tie with Tony Fritsch.

CHANGING PLAYERS: Both teams have players in bigger roles than in the regular-season matchup. The Colts are getting greater production from rookie receiver Donte Moncrief, and the offensive line has three different starters. Defensive tackle Arthur Jones is back after missing the first meeting with an ankle injury, and kick returner Josh Cribbs joined the team two days after the first game.

For the Patriots, defensive end Chandler Jones, Arthur's younger brother, missed it with a hip injury, while Blount joined the Patriots the following week after being cut by Pittsburgh.

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Curry and Thompson help Warriors to win over Houston

Warriors 131
Rockets 106

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Stephen Curry and Klay Thompson scored 27 points each and the Golden State Warriors used a huge third quarter to roll to a 131-106 win over the Houston Rockets on Saturday night.

Golden State bounced back from a loss to Oklahoma City on Friday night that snapped an eight-game winning streak.

The Warriors led by five at halftime and used a 38-point third quarter, with 15 points from Curry, to take a 22-point lead into the fourth quarter.

Dwight Howard, who missed the first two games against the Warriors, led Houston with 23 points and 10 rebounds on a night when the NBA's leading scorer James Harden scored just 11.

The Rockets got five straight points from Kostas Papanikolaou to cut the lead to 110-94 with seven minutes left, but Golden State scored nine quick points after that, led by Curry's five, to make it 119-94 and cruise to the win.

It is Golden State's NBA-leading 24th double-digit victory and its third win over Houston this season. It's the first time the Warriors won a season series against the Rockets since 2006-07.

They finish the series on Wednesday at Golden State.

A 3-pointer by Josh Smith cut Golden State's lead to 10 with three minutes left in the third quarter. But the Warriors capped the quarter with a 12-0 run, with eight points from David Lee, to go up 102-80 entering the fourth quarter. Houston had four turnovers to help the Warriors build the lead.

Harden made just two of his first 12 shots and got his fourth foul on a charge with 1:44 left in the third. He was 4 of 15, including 0 of 4 on 3s, to finish well below his average of 27 points a game.

The Warriors scored the first five points and the second half to push the lead to 69-59. The Rockets used a 7-1 run, with four points from Howard, to get within 70-66 a couple minutes later.

Curry, who had 11 assists, got Golden State going again after that, making an off-balance layup as he was fouled. He tumbled backward and landed on top of a cameraman on the sideline before falling to the court.

He made the free throw and those three points were the start of a 10-2 run that extended the advantage to 80-68 midway through the third quarter.

The lead had changed 11 times and it had been tied 11 other times before Houston used a 7-0 run to make it 59-55 with about two minutes left in the first half. Smith started it when he grabbed a rebound down low and kicked it out to Trevor Ariza, who made a 3-pointer. Corey Brewer stole the ball and Smith finished with a reverse layup before another steal on the next possession led to a dunk by Ariza.

Golden State coach Steve Kerr called a 20-second timeout and the Warriors regrouped and finished the half with a 9-0 spurt to a take a 64-59 lead into halftime.

Pat Sullivan/AP

Golden State's Draymond Green (23) drives the ball past Houston's Donatas Motiejunas on Saturday in Houston.

NHL ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

LIGHTNING 3 AVALANCHE 2

TAMPA, Fla. — Ryan Callahan scored in regulation and got the decisive goal in the shootout to lift Tampa Bay to a 3-2 victory over the Colorado Avalanche on Saturday night, moving the Avalanche back into first place in the Eastern Conference.

Anton Stralman also scored in regulation and Ben Bishop finished with 40 saves as Tampa Bay moved one point ahead of the Metropolitan Division-leading New York Islanders atop the East.

Ryan O'Reilly and Nathan MacKinnon scored for the Avalanche, and Semyon Varlamov had 29 saves. MacKinnon's goal tied with 6.8 seconds remaining.

Nikita Kucherov put the Lightning ahead in the first round of the shootout and Matt Duchene tied it for Colorado in the second round.

BLUES 3 MAPLE LEAFS 0

ST. LOUIS — Brian Elliott stopped 27 shots for his third shutout of the season and 28th of his career as St. Louis topped slumping Toronto.

Alexander Steen extended his scoring streak to a career-high nine games with a goal and an assist, and Kevin Shattenkirk and T.J. Oshie also had goals for St. Louis. The win was No. 685 for Blues coach Ken Hitchcock, who passed former Maple Leafs coach Pat Quinn and moved into sole possession of fifth place on the career victories list.

RED WINGS 5 PREDATORS 2

DETROIT — Tomas Tatar scored twice, and Henrik Zetterberg added a clever tally from behind the goal line to help Detroit snap Nashville's five-game winning streak.

Gustav Nyquist, Kyle Quincey and Tatar scored in the first period for Detroit, chasing Nashville goalie Carter Hutton from the game after only one save. Hutton was making his second start since the Predators lost Pekka Rinne to a knee injury.

FLYERS 4 SABRES 3

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Chris VandeVelde scored a third-period breakaway goal to help Philadelphia snap a six-game road losing streak and send Buffalo to its 10th straight regulation defeat.

R.J. Umberger and Mark Streit scored power-play goals, and Mike Raffl also scored for Philadelphia, which won its fourth straight against the Sabres.

BLUE JACKETS 3 BRUINS 1

BOSTON — Matt Calvert scored the go-ahead goal with 3:03 left in the third and added an empty-netter in the final minute as Columbus ended a four-game losing streak.

Ryan Johansen had a goal and an assist for the Blue Jackets, who stopped Boston's five-game winning streak and handed the Bruins their first loss since a 6-2 rout at Columbus on Dec. 27.

CANADIENS 6 ISLANDERS 4

MONTREAL — Tomas Plekanec scored two goals and added two assists to lead Montreal past the New York Islanders.

Metropolitan Division-leading New York had won four straight. Tampa Bay jumped over the Islanders for first place in the Eastern Conference by beating Colorado on Saturday.

OILERS 3 PANTHERS 2, SO

SUNRISE, Fla. — Nail Yakupov scored the winning goal in the shootout to lift Edmonton past Florida.

Yakupov's shot got past Roberto Luongo in the first round, and Edmonton's Viktor Fasth was perfect in the shootout.

HURRICANES 3 SENATORS 2

OTTAWA, Ontario — Nathan Gerbe and Justin Faulk each had a goal and an assist to lead Carolina.

Brad Malone also scored for the Hurricanes and Anton Khudobin made 30 saves.

WILD 3 COYOTES 1

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Devan Dubnyk stopped 25 shots against his former team, and Jason Zucker and Zach Parise both scored their 16th goal of the season to lead the Minnesota Wild past the Arizona Coyotes 3-1 on Saturday night.

Charlie Coyle also scored for the Wild (20-19-5), who won their second straight after dropping seven of eight.

NBA ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

HORNETS 80 PACERS 71, OT

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Gerald Henderson scored 20 points, and the Charlotte Hornets defeated the Indiana Pacers 80-71 in overtime on Saturday night despite playing without their top two scorers.

The Hornets outscored the Pacers 12-3 in overtime to hand Indiana its fourth straight loss.

They played without injured Kemba Walker and Al Jefferson.

Lance Stephenson scored 13 points in 21 minutes and spent a good part of the night chewing at his former Indiana teammates, particularly Roy Hibbert.

Things got feisty late in the third when Stephenson lowered his shoulder and knocked the 7-foot-2, 275-pound Hibbert to the floor as the two men headed up the court.

It came after Hibbert had blocked Stephenson's shot. Officials had already retreated to the opposite end of the floor and didn't what happened.

PISTONS 107 76ERS 89

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Kyle Singler scored 20 points, Greg Monroe had a double-double and the Detroit Pistons routed the Philadelphia 76ers 107-89 Saturday night.

Singler shot 6 of 8 on 3-pointers and Monroe finished with 12 points and 13 rebounds as the Pistons won for the ninth time in 11 games and improved to 6-15 at home. Six players scored in double figures for Detroit, and Andre Drummond grabbed 15 rebounds.

Michael Carter-Williams had 15 points for Philadelphia (8-32), but only one other starter reached double figures. Henry Sims contributed 12 points and 10 rebounds off the bench.

The Pistons have struggled with lowly Philadelphia recently, including a home loss this season, but ended most of the suspense on this night in the first half. Detroit hit its first five shots, including a trio of 3-pointers, and led 13-4 after 3 minutes.

WIZARDS 99 NETS 90

NEW YORK — Nene scored 20 points, three other Washington big men were in double figures, and the Wizards beat the Brooklyn Nets 99-90 on Saturday night to split their home-and-home series.

Overpowered by Brook Lopez on Friday in Washington, the Wizards bounced back behind 10 points and 16 rebounds from Marcin Gortat, and strong bench efforts from Kris Humphries (13 points) and Kevin Seraphin (12).

Bradley Beal finished with 17 points, nine rebounds and eight assists for the Wizards, who shot 52 percent from the field to overcome their 14-of-27 effort from the free throw line.

Jarrett Jack had 22 points and eight assists for the Nets, who had snapped a seven-game losing streak with their 102-80 victory Friday.

HAWKS 107 BULLS 99

CHICAGO — Kyle Korver made a season-high seven 3-pointers on his way to 24 points, and the Atlanta Hawks beat the Chicago Bulls 107-99 Saturday night for their 12th straight victory.

Al Horford added 22 points and nine rebounds as the Hawks matched the second-longest win streak in franchise history. Paul Millsap scored 16 and Jeff Teague had 17 points and 11 assists.

The Hawks (33-8) have won 26 of 28 since a 7-6 start, surging to the top of the Eastern Conference with one of the NBA's most efficient offenses and a stingy defense. They closed out the first half of the season with impressive road wins over Toronto and Chicago on consecutive nights.

Derrick Rose had 23 points, 10 assists and eight rebounds for Chicago (27-15), which has dropped five of seven. Pau Gasol had 22 points and 15 rebounds, and Jimmy Butler scored 15.

GRIZZLIES 102 TRAIL BLAZERS 98

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Zach Randolph had 20 points and 15 rebounds, Beno Udrih added 17 points, including a two key buckets in the final minute as the Memphis Grizzlies defeated the Portland Trail Blazers 102-98 on Saturday night.

Memphis won its fourth straight and led by as many as 20 in the second half. But it saw the lead dwindle to 95-93 when Damian Lillard connected on a 3-pointer with 1:06 left. Udrih's 20-footer as the shot clock expired on the next possession helped Memphis maintain the lead.

Lillard connected on another 3-pointer with 27 seconds left, but Udrih made a 22-footer with 8.7 seconds for the win.

Jeff Green and Courtney Lee matched Udrih's 17 points, and Marc Gasol finished with 15.

LaMarcus Aldridge led Portland with 32 points, 18 in the second half.

TIMBERWOLVES 113 NUGGETS 105

DENVER — Andrew Wiggins scored a career-high 31 points and Robbie Hummel had two big tip-in baskets in the fourth quarter, helping the Minnesota Timberwolves hold off the Denver Nuggets 113-105 on Saturday night.

The rookie out of Kansas was 11 of 17 from the floor, including four 3-pointers, as Minnesota improved to 4-16 on the road this season.

Hummel finished with 15 points and 13 rebounds, while Thaddeus Young added 22 points.

NHL STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	47	29	14	4	62	152	126
Montreal	44	28	13	3	59	121	105
Detroit	45	25	11	9	59	128	111
Boston	46	24	16	6	54	121	117
Florida	43	20	13	10	50	106	120
Toronto	46	22	21	3	47	138	142
Ottawa	44	18	18	8	44	120	122
Buffalo	46	14	29	3	31	85	161

Metropolitan Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
N.Y. Islanders	45	30	14	1	61	144	125
Pittsburgh	43	26	11	6	58	132	106
Washington	45	24	13	8	56	133	115
N.Y. Rangers	42	25	13	4	54	126	102
Philadelphia	46	18	21	7	43	123	137
Columbus	43	19	21	3	41	110	137
New Jersey	46	16	22	8	40	102	132
Carolina	45	15	25	5	35	94	119

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Nashville	44	30	10	4	64	136	102
St. Louis	45	28	13	4	60	145	110
Chicago	44	28	14	2	58	136	99
Winnipeg	46	24	14	8	56	127	114
Colorado	46	19	17	10	48	121	132
Dallas	44	20	17	7	47	137	145
Minnesota	44	20	19	5	45	123	129

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Anaheim	45	29	10	6	64	130	119
Vancouver	43	25	15	3	53	121	109
San Jose	45	24	16	5	53	122	121
Los Angeles	44	25	14	10	50	124	117
Calgary	44	23	18	3	49	127	115
Arizona	44	16	24	4	36	101	146
Edmonton	46	11	26	9	31	104	154

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

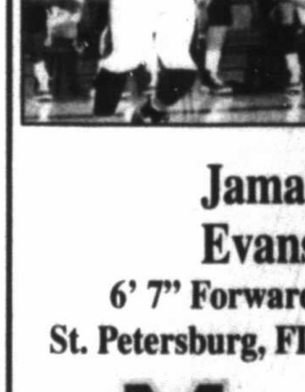
Saturday's Scores

Tampa Bay 3, Colorado 2, SO
Edmonton 3, Florida 2, SO
Columbus 3, Boston 1
Philadelphia 4, Buffalo 3
Montreal 6, N.Y. Islanders 4
Carolina 3, Ottawa 2
Detroit 5, Nashville 2
St. Louis 3, Toronto 0
Dallas 5, Washington 4
Minnesota 3, Arizona 1
Anaheim at Los Angeles, late
Calgary at San Jose, late

Today's Games

N.Y. Rangers at Pittsburgh, 11:30 a.m.
Dallas at Chicago, 5 p.m.
Arizona at Winnipeg, 6 p.m.
Buffalo at Detroit, 7 p.m.

Midland College Basketball
Al G. Langford Chaparral Center
Monday, January 19, 2015



Sierra Dixon
5' 5" Guard
Pittsburg, CA

Jamal Evans
6' 7" Forward
St. Petersburg, FL

5:45 PM
Odessa College Lady Wranglers
vs
Midland College Lady Chaps

7:45 PM
Odessa College Wranglers
vs
Midland College Chaparrals

Adults - $5
Non-MC Students and Senoir Citizens - $3
MC Students/Employees FREE With Current MC ID

Chap Athletic Club Dinner
Lemon Pepper Chicken, Rice Pilaf, Broccoli W Cheese, Salad, Rolls, Pecan Bars, Iced Tea And Water

NBA STANDINGS AND BOXES

STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	26	13	.667	—
Brooklyn	17	24	.415	10
Boston	13	25	.342	12 1/2
Philadelphia	8	32	.200	18 1/2
New York	5	36	.122	22

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	33	8	.805	—
Washington	28	13	.683	5
Miami	18	22	.450	14 1/2
Charlotte	16	25	.390	17
Orlando	15	28	.349	19

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	27	15	.643	—
Milwaukee	21	19	.525	5
Cleveland	21	20	.512	5 1/2
Detroit	16	25	.390	10 1/2
Indiana	15	27	.357	12

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Memphis	29	11	.725	—
Houston	28	13	.683	1 1/2
Dallas	28	13	.683	1 1/2
San Antonio	25	16	.610	4 1/2
New Orleans	19	20	.487	9 1/2

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Portland	30	11	.732	—
Oklahoma City	19	20	.487	10
Denver	18	22	.450	11 1/2
Utah	14	26	.350	15 1/2
Minnesota	7	32	.179	22

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Golden State	32	6	.842	—
L.A. Clippers	26	14	.650	7
Phoenix	24	18	.571	10
Sacramento	16	23	.410	16 1/2
L.A. Lakers	12	29	.293	21 1/2

Saturday's Scores

Charlotte 80, Indiana 71, OT
Detroit 107, Philadelphia 89
Atlanta 107, Chicago 99
Golden State 131, Houston 106
Washington 99, Brooklyn 90
Minnesota 113, Denver 105
Memphis 102, Portland 98
L.A. Clippers at Sacramento, late

Today's Games

New Orleans at Toronto, 2:30 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Orlando, 5 p.m.
Utah at San Antonio, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY'S BOXES

WARRIORS 131, ROCKETS 106

GOLDEN STATE (131): Barnes 4-7 0-0 10, Green 3-6 4-6 11, Bogut 1-2 0-0 2, Curry 9-18 7-8 27, Thompson 9-15 6-9 27, Speights 6-12 3-4 15, Iguodala 4-5 0-1 9, Holiday 2-4 0-0 4, Lee 8-13 2-5 18, Livingston 0-5 0-0 0, Barbosa 3-3 0-0 6. Rush 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 50-91 22-33 131

HOUSTON (106): Ariza 2-5 2-2 7, Motiejunas 4-8 5-5 14, Howard 9-15 5-7 23, Beverley 4-13 1-1 11, Harden 4-15 4-7 12, Brewer 3-9 2-2 9, Terry 0-3 2-2 2, Smith 5-10 3-4 14, Papanikolaou 2-5 0-0 5, Dorsey 2-2 0-3 4. Shved 2-3 1-1 5. Totals 37-86 25-34 106

Golden State	**31**	**33**	**38**	**29**	**— 131**
Houston	**31**	**28**	**21**	**26**	**— 106**

3-Point Goals—Golden State 9-22 (Thompson 3-5, Barnes 2-4, Curry 2-8, Iguodala 1-1, Green 1-4), Houston 7-23 (Beverley 2-5, Motiejunas 1-1, Smith 1-1, Papanikolaou 1-5, Ariza 1-3, Brewer 1-3, Terry 0-3, Harden 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Golden State 62 (Lee 8), Houston 50 (Howard 10). Assists—Golden State 32 (Curry 11), Houston 22 (Beverley, Harden, Ariza 4). Total Fouls—Golden State 21, Houston 24. Technicals—Iguodala, Golden State defensive three second, Howard. A—18,458 (18,023).

HORNETS 80, PACERS 71, OT

INDIANA (71): S.Hill 0-1 0-0 0, West 9-17 1-2 19, Hibbert 6-13 0-2 12, Watson 2-6 2-3 4 8, Stuckey 3-8 2-2 8, Miles 2-13 1-1 5, Mahinmi 1-5 0-0 2, Scola 0-5 0-0 0, Sloan 5-8 2-2 13, Rudez 2-6 0-0 4. Copeland 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 30-84 9-13 71.

CHARLOTTE (80): Kidd-Gilchrist 4-15 1-3 9, Zeller 3-8 0-0 6, Byumbo 3-7 2-6 8, Roberts 2-12 2-2 6, Henderson 6-19 8-9 20, Stephenson 5-12 2-3 13, Williams 4-11 0-0 9, Mus 0-0 0-0, Hairston 0-0 0-0 0. Neal 4-11 1-2 9. Totals 31-101 16-25 80.

Indiana	**21**	**19**	**11**	**17**	**3 — 71**
Charlotte	**17**	**20**	**13**	**18**	**12 — 80**

3-Point Goals—Indiana 2-21 (Stuckey 1-3, Watson 1-3, West 0-1, Stuckey 0-1, Copeland 0-2, Rudez 0-3, Miles 0-8), Charlotte 2-15 (Stephenson 1-2, Williams 1-4, Henderson 0-2, Neal 0-3, Hairston 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Indiana 65 (Hibbert 14), Charlotte 72 (Kidd-Gilchrist 16). Assists—Indiana 18 (Stuckey, Sloan 4), Charlotte 19 (Henderson, Roberts 4). Total Fouls—Indiana 23, Charlotte 16. Technicals—Byumbo, Charlotte defensive three second. A—19,285 (19,077).

PISTONS 107, PISTONS 89

PHILADELPHIA (89): Mbah a Moute 5-8 0-0 11, Covington 3-9 1-1 9, Noel 3-7 1-2 7, Carter-Williams 6-12 2-2 15, McDaniels 2-10 0-0 4, Grant 2-7 0-0 5, Sims 5-6 2-2 12, Thompson 3-7 0-0 7. Drew II 3-7 0-0 6, Sampson 4-5 0-0 9, Aldrich 1-2 0-0 2, Thomas 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 38-82 6-7 89

DETROIT (107): Singler 7-12 0-0 20, Monroe 4-11 4-4 12, Drummond 4-15 0-0 8, Jennings 3-9 2-2 9, Caldwell-Pope 5-11 2-2 17, Jerebko 1-2 0-0 3, Meeks 4-8 6-6 15, Augustin 3-6 0-0 6, Butler 0-2 0-0 0, Tolliver 6-10 2-5 16, Martin 0-1 0-0 0, Anthony 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 39-86 16-19 107

Philadelphia	**21**	**16**	**25**	**27**	**— 89**
Detroit	**31**	**25**	**25**	**26**	**— 107**

3-Point Goals—Philadelphia 7-28 (Covington 2-6, Sampson 1-2, Carter-Williams 1-3, Mbah a Moute 1-3, Thompson 1-4, Grant 1-4, Thomas 0-1, Drew II 0-2, McDaniels 0-3), Detroit 15-35 (Singler 6-8, Caldwell-Pope 3-6, Tolliver 2-5, Jennings 2-6, Jerebko 1-2, Meeks 1-3, Martin 0-1, Butler 0-1, Augustin 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Philadelphia 46 (Sims 10), Detroit 52 (Drummond 15). Assists—Philadelphia 24 (Drew II 9), Detroit 27 (Augustin 10). Total Fouls—Philadelphia 16, Detroit 16. A—15,496 (22,076).

WIZARDS 99, NETS 90

WASHINGTON (99): Pierce 2-9 1-2 7, Nene 8-12 4-6 20, Gortat 5-6 0-2 10, Wall 5-15 1-2 11, Beal 5-12 5-6 17, Butler 4-8 0-2 9, Humphries 6-7 1-1 13, Porter 0-1 0-0 0, Miller 0-0 0-0 0, Seraphin 5-7 2-4 12, Blair 0-0 0-0 0, Temple 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 40-77 14-27 99.

BROOKLYN (90): Johnson 6-17 2-2 15, Garnett 4-8 0-0 8, Plumlee 4-7 3-4 11, Jack 10-18 2-2 22, Bogdanovic 3-8 1-1 8, Lopez 5-13 5-6 15, Anderson 2-4 1-3 6, Morris 0-1 0-0 0, Teletovic 2-7 0-0 5, Brown 0-0 0-0 0, Jefferson 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 36-82 14-18 90.

Washington	**23**	**27**	**27**	**22**	**— 99**
Brooklyn	**25**	**25**	**19**	**20**	**— 90**

3-Point Goals—Washington 5-16 (Pierce 2-6, Beal 2-5, Butler 1-2, Wall 0-2), Brooklyn 4-17 (Anderson 1-2, Bogdanovic 1-2, Johnson 1-4, Teletovic 1-4, Garnett 0-1, Lopez 0-1, Morris 0-1, Jack 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Washington 56 (Gortat 16), Brooklyn 44 (Garnett 10). Assists—Washington 23 (Beal 8), Brooklyn 17 (Jack 8). Total Fouls—Washington 15, Brooklyn 20. A—17,732 (17,732).

HAWKS 107, BULLS 99

ATLANTA (107): Carroll 1-5 1-2 4, Millsap 6-14 4-6 16, Horford 11-14 0-0 22, Teague 5-16 6-8 17, Korver 7-10 3-3 24, Brand 3-5 0-0 6, Sefolosha 2-6 0-0 4, Mack 1-2 0-0 2, Scott 2-7 1-1 6, Bazemore 2-5 1-1 6. Totals 40-84 16-21 107.

CHICAGO (99): Butler 8-11 2-2 15, Gibson 3-7 3-4 9, Gasol 9-18 4-5 22, Rose 9-22 3-5 23, Hinrich 3-8 0-0 8, Moore 2-4 0-0 4, Brooks 5-8 2-2 13, Mirotic 1-4 2-2 5. Totals 37-80 16-20 99.

Atlanta	**24**	**24**	**28**	**31**	**— 107**
Chicago	**16**	**23**	**30**	**32**	**— 99**

3-Point Goals—Atlanta 11-26 (Korver 7-9, Bazemore 1-2, Scott 1-2, Teague 1-4, Carroll 1-4, Horford 0-1, Millsap 0-4), Chicago 9-26 (Rose 4-10, Hinrich 2-5, Brooks 1-3, Butler 1-3, Mirotic 1-4, Moore 0-1). Fouled Out—Mirotic. Rebounds—Atlanta 47 (Horford 9), Chicago 49 (Gasol 15). Assists—Atlanta 31 (Teague 11), Chicago 25 (Rose 10). Total Fouls—Atlanta 19, Chicago 21. A—22,024 (20,917).

GRIZZLIES 102, TRAIL BLAZERS 98

PORTLAND (98): Batum 1-6 0-0 3, Aldridge 11-22 9-10 32, Kaman 2-9 0-0 4, Lillard 9-26 2-3 23, Matthews 9-18 0-0 25, McCollum 0-0 0-0 0, Leonard 1-4 0-0 2, Wright 0-2 0-0 0, Blake 2-4 0-0 5, Robinson 1-2 2-2 4. Totals 36-93 13-15 98.

MEMPHIS (102): Allen 1-4 0-0 2, Randolph 6-13 8-10 20, Gasol 7-14 1-2 15, Udrih 7-7 3-4 17, Lee 6-13 1-2 17, Green 6-14 2-2 17, Calathes 1-3 0-0 2, Koufos 3-4 0-0 6, Carter 2-5 1-4 6. Totals 39-77 16-24 102.

Portland	**23**	**19**	**26**	**28**	**— 98**
Memphis	**30**	**30**	**19**	**24**	**— 102**

3-Point Goals—Portland 13-36 (Matthews 7-14, Lillard 3-10, Aldridge 1-1, Batum 1-3, Blake 1-3, Wright 0-2, Leonard 0-3), Memphis 8-15 (Lee 4-6, Green 3-5, Carter 1-3, Allen 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Portland 46 (Kaman 11), Memphis 59 (Randolph 15). Assists—Portland 20 (Blake 8), Memphis 21 (Gasol 6). Total Fouls—Portland 22, Memphis 18. A—18,119 (18,119).

TIMBERWOLVES 113, NUGGETS 105

MINNESOTA (113): Hummel 6-12 2-2 15, Young 9-17 4-4 22, Dieng 4-8 4-4 12, Williams 5-12 2-2 13, Wiggins 11-17 5-6 31, Budinger 2-4 1-1 6, Bennett 3-6 1-2 7, LaVine 3-4 0-0 7. Totals 43-80 19-21 113.

DENVER (105): Chandler 6-16 0-1 14, Faried 3-5 0-0 6, Nurkic 1-7 2-2 4, Lawson 7-15 6-7 22, Affalo 4-14 2-2 12, Hickson 4-10 8-8 16, Arthur 4-8 0-0 8, Foye 0-3 0-0 0, Nelson 7-10 0-0 16. Gee 2-4 3-4 8. Totals 38-92 19-22 105.

Minnesota	**37**	**19**	**30**	**28**	**— 113**
Denver	**25**	**34**	**24**	**22**	**— 105**

3-Point Goals—Minnesota 8-19 (Wiggins 4-5, LaVine 1-1, Budinger 1-2, Hummel 1-2, Williams 1-7, Young 0-2), Denver 10-31 (Affalo 3-8, Nelson 2-5, Lawson 2-5, Chandler 2-6, Gee 1-2, Foye 0-1, Arthur 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Minnesota 50 (Hummel 13), Denver 46 (Hickson 10). Assists—Minnesota 24 (Williams 7), Denver 21 (Lawson 7). Total Fouls—Minnesota 18, Denver 20. A—14,921 (19,155).

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

FROM WIRE REPORTS

TEXAS ROUNDUP

Men

KANSAS STATE 63
NO. 22 BAYLOR 61

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Nino Williams had 18 points to lead a big second-half rally, and Kansas State forced Kenny Chery to miss a layup at the buzzer to preserve a 63-61 victory over No. 22 Baylor on Saturday.

Marcus Foster added 11 points and Thomas Gipson finished with nine, including a clutch free throw with 4.8 seconds left, to help the Wildcats (10-7, 4-1 Big 12) win their fourth straight game.

Kansas State trailed by as many as 12 in the second half before taking its first lead with about 6 minutes to go. The Bears (13-4, 2-3) were still within three at 61-58 with 45 seconds left, but Chery and Lester Medford each missed open 3-pointers that would have tied it.

Nigel Johnson made one of two foul shots for Kansas State, and Chery quickly raced the other way for layup with 5.4 seconds to go. And after Gipson was fouled and made his second of two free throws, Chery's runner to the left of the lane bounced off the rim as the buzzer sounded.

Chery, who hit the winner with 4 seconds left against No. 11 Iowa State this week, finished with 21 points for Baylor. Taurean Prince added 20 points off the bench.

Charlie Riedel/AP

Kansas State's Jevon Thomas, right, tries to steal the ball from Baylor's Rico Gathers (2) during the second half of Saturday's game in Manhattan, Kan.

TEXAS A&M 67
LSU 64

BATON ROUGE, La. — Danuel House scored four of his 18 points in the final 23 seconds, and Texas A&M erased a 13-point second-half deficit for its first road victory this season, 67-64 over LSU on Saturday.

Jalen Jones had 18 points and nine rebounds for the Aggies (11-5, 2-2 Southeastern Conference), who held LSU to two points over the final 4:26 and took their first lead of the second half on House's jumper from the top of the key in the last half-minute.

Jordan Mickey had 17 points, eight rebounds and seven blocked shots for LSU (13-4, 2-2), but he fell to the ground after grabbing his last rebound on the defensive end with under 30 seconds left and was called for traveling, giving A&M another chance to set up House's go-ahead shot.

UTEP 73
TEXAS-SAN ANTONIO 55

SAN ANTONIO — Earvin Morris made 4 of 9 from long range to score a career-high 23 points and lead UTEP to a 73-55 victory over Texas-San Antonio in Conference USA play on Saturday.

Morris also had two steals and one blocked shot. Cedrick Lang and Julian Washburn had 11 apiece for UTEP (12-5, 4-1).

The Miners held a slim 30-26 halftime advantage and were up 46-35 with 13:11 left. Morris nailed two consecutive 3-pointers and followed with a layup to give UTEP a 63-48 lead at the 4:10 mark. The Miners held UTSA to seven points in the final 4:10.

SMU 77
EAST CAROLINA 54

DALLAS — Nic Moore led five players in double figures, scoring 14 points with six assists as Southern Methodist University routed East Carolina 77-54 on Saturday.

Markus Kennedy added 12 points for the Mustangs (14-4, 5-1 American Conference). Ben Moore and Ryan Manuel had 11 points apiece and Sterling Brown chipped in 10. The team sank 58.6 percent from the field overall and 57.9 percent from the line.

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN 82
ABILENE CHRISTIAN 64

ABILENE — Thomas Walkup poured in a career-high 30 points on 14-of-17 shooting, pacing Stephen F. Austin to an 82-64 victory over Abilene Christian on Saturday.

The Lumberjacks (14-3, 4-0 Southland) shot 59.3 percent from the field and outscored Abilene Christian 46-24 in the paint. Clide Geffrard added 14 points and Jacob Parker chipped in 12 for SF Austin, which had 20 second-chance points. Walkup had six rebounds with six assists and was a combined 25 of 31 from the floor with Geffrard and Parker.

SAM HOUSTON ST 69
MCNEESE ST 60

HUNTSVILLE — Jabari Peters scored 21 points on 7-for-11 shooting, including a trio of 3-pointers, to lead Sam Houston State to a 69-60 win over McNeese State on Saturday.

Paul Baxter contributed 14 points, DeMarcus Gatlin added 12 and Michael Holyfield pumped in 11 points to go with his 11 rebounds to help Sam Houston (13-4, 5-0 Southland) to its eighth straight win.

TEXAS A&M-CC 69
NICHOLLS STATE 66

THIBODAUX, La. — John Jordan scored 18 points on 6 of 12 shooting from the field and Texas A&M Corpus Christi beat Nicholls State 69-66 on Saturday.

Brandon Pye, fresh off a career high 21 in his last outing, added 16 points for the Islanders (8-8, 3-1 Southland Conference), who have now won four of their last five overall.

RICE 73
CHARLOTTE 68

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Max Guercy hit a 3-pointer with 29 seconds left to take the lead in overtime and Rice went on to defeat Charlotte 73-68 on Saturday night.

Guercy's 3-pointer put the Owls (5-11, 2-3) up 69-66 and Marcus Jackson added two free throws 10 seconds later. Braxton Ogbueze scored for the 49ers (8-9, 2-3) before Guercy, who finished with seven points, added two final free throws with 13 seconds left.

TEXAS SOUTHERN 60
GRAMBLING STATE 51

HOUSTON — Madarious Gibbs and Chris Thomas had 13 points apiece as Texas Southern held off Grambling State 60-51 on Saturday night, improving to 4-0 in Southwestern Athletic Conference play.

Tonnie Collier added 11 points for Texas Southern (7-10, 4-0).

HOUSTON BAPTIST 74
NEW ORLEANS 73

HOUSTON — Cody Stetler made two free throws with 14 seconds remaining and then blocked the following shot to give Houston Baptist a 74-73 win over New Orleans in Southland Conference play on Saturday night.

Nate Frye completed a three-point play with 35 seconds left to give New Orleans a 73-72 lead, but Stetler answered for the win.

PRAIRIE VIEW 70
JACKSON ST 55

HOUSTON — Montrael Scott scored 15 points to lead Prairie View A&M to its fourth-straight win over Jackson State, 70-55, on Saturday.

Jayrn Johnson added 11 points for Prairie View (3-14, 1-3 Southwestern Athletic), while Tre Hagood and Jacoby Green scored 10 apiece. Hagood also had eight assists.

ARKANSAS ST 78
TEXAS ST 73 OT

JONESBORO, Ark. — Anthony Livingstone and Cameron Golden combined to score 46 points to lead an Arkansas State comeback that netted a 78-73 win in overtime over Texas State Saturday night.

Emani Gant scored on a layup to start the second half to give the Bobcats a nine-point lead, 35-26, before Golden drilled a 3-pointer to spark a 10-0 run fueled by a pair of Livingstone jumpers and capped by a Sean Gardner trey.

SE LOUISIANA 108
INCARNATE WORD 98, 2OT

SAN ANTONIO — Zay Jackson scored 25 points, Joshua Filmore added 22 and Southeastern Louisiana beat Incarnate Word 108-98 in double overtime on Saturday.

The Lions (5-12, 2-2 Southland) exploded in the second extra frame, outscoring Incarnate Word 18-8, as Jackson went for eight points in the session.

TULANE 68
HOUSTON 65

HOUSTON — Louis Dabney scored 18 points, Jonathan Stark added 15, and Tulane sealed it at the free-throw line for a 68-65 win over Houston on Saturday afternoon.

Trailing by one with 2:03 left to play, the Green Wave got 7 of its final 9 points from free throws. After Stark made both at the line, Tulane led 65-62 with 27 seconds to go. Houston's L.J. Rose was fouled but couldn't get either of his free throws to drop, and Tulane led by six with five seconds left.

OLD DOMINION 61
NORTH TEXAS 50

NORFOLK, Va. — Trey Freeman had 18 points, including four 3-pointers and four boards, to lead Old Dominion to a 61-50 win over North Texas on Saturday.

Aaron Bacote had 14 points and six rebounds and Richard Ross had 10 boards for the Monarchs (15-2, 4-1 Conference USA). Freeman had 11 of his 18 points in the first half.

NORTHWESTERN STATE 96
LAMAR 84

NATCHITOCHES, La. — Zeek Woodley had 25 points to lead Northwestern State to a 96-84 win over Lamar on Saturday and give Mike McConathy his 600th career collegiate coaching win in 32 years.

It was McConathy's 248th win in 16 years at Northwestern State.

Women

NO. 4 TEXAS 55
TEXAS TECH 44

AUSTIN — Brady Sanders scored nine points, sparking the big second-half burst for Texas as the Longhorns ended a two-game losing skid with a win over Texas Tech.

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Randy Onwuasor scored 10 points for the Red Raiders. Just four other Texas Tech players had between six and seven points, and the Red Raiders shot 3 of 16 (18.8 percent) from 3-point range.

"Maybe the worst output that we've had here," said Red Raiders coach Tubby Smith, whose team has started 0-5 in conference play for the first time in his 24-year head coaching career. "We missed a lot of easy baskets. Nobody shot over 50 percent. That's a bad day."

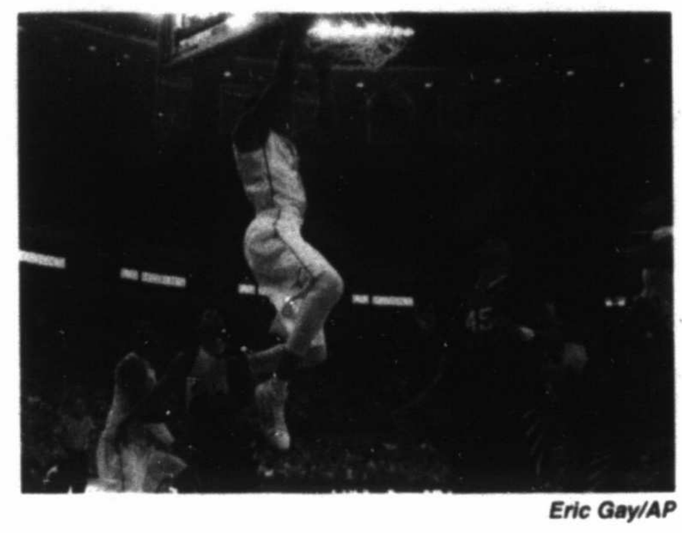
He added the Red Raiders may need to consult a sports psychologist to break out of their mental slump. Their 22.9 shooting percentage was their lowest since at least the 1996-97 season.

His team trailed 24-14 at halftime, but the Horned Frogs scored seven consecutive points, including three apiece from Anderson and Washburn, to extend their lead to 17 points, 31-14.

A Devaugntah Williams jump shot trimmed TCU's lead to 11, 38-27, with 10:55 left in the second half, but the Horned Frogs stymied any chance of a rally with eight consecutive points over the next 1:50 for a 46-27 lead.

They led by as many as 20 points three times in the second half.

"It never ends in this league," Johnson said. "It never, never ends."



Eric Gay/AP

Texas' Prince Ibeh (44) scores against West Virginia during the second half Saturday in Austin.

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dominated by Texas' muscular Texas frontcourt.

"They played the game the way they wanted to play it. They imposed their will on us and we didn't respond to it very well," West Virginia coach Bob Huggins said.

Texas also weathered the Mountaineers' withering pressure defense. Texas gave up 19 turnovers but never let West Virginia steal points with fast-break baskets beyond the opening 30 seconds.

Gary Browne scored 14 points for West Virginia (15-3, 3-2), which got into foul trouble early and shot just 25 percent in dropping its first loss away from home this season.

"Looked to me like we had guys open. We just didn't deliver the ball," Huggins said.

Texas was expected to be one of the most physical teams in the Big 12 this season but that seemed to disappear in losses against Oklahoma and Oklahoma State. After a 21-point home loss to Oklahoma, Texas coach Rick Barnes openly questioned whether his team was full of "phony tough guys."

Apparently not.

The Longhorns put the first half against West Virginia on Ridley's big shoulders and he carried them through a dominant first 10 minutes with 12 points, including a pair of rim-rattling dunks and a block that brought the home crowd to its feet.

"We're going to compete," Barnes said. "(But) we hadn't. I'm sure they got sick of me grinding on them. I thought we played with some pop."

Holmes, who scored just four points in the two losses, had eight points and five rebounds as the Longhorns built a 37-23 lead by halftime. Holmes' early tussle with West Virginia's Jonathan Holton resulted in technical fouls against both and sent the message to expect a physical night.

"They tried to come in here and punk us and we didn't let that happen," Holmes said.

West Virginia seemed rattled by an early rash of fouls — 10 in the first 10 minutes — and struggled to penetrate Texas' zone defense.

Texas maintained its double-digit lead through the first 10 minutes of the second half with Turner picking up the physical play inside. West Virginia's Jevon Carter made three consecutive 3-pointers to keep Texas from pulling away but he couldn't pull the Mountaineers closer

SATURDAY'S SCORES

Men

TOP 25 FARED

1. Kentucky (17-0) beat Alabama 70-48. Next vs Vanderbilt, Tuesday.
2. Virginia (17-0) beat Boston College 66-51. Next: vs. Georgia Tech, Thursday.
3. Gonzaga (18-1) beat Loyola Marymount 72-55. Next: vs. Saint Mary's, Thursday.
4. Duke (15-2) beat No. 6 Louisville 63-52. Next: vs. Pittsburgh, Monday.
5. Villanova (17-1) beat Pennsylvania 62-47. Next: at Georgetown, Monday.
6. Louisville (15-3) lost to No. 4 Duke 63-52. Next: at Pittsburgh, today, Jan. 25.
7. Wisconsin (16-2) did not play. Next: vs. Iowa, Tuesday.
8. Utah (14-3) lost to No. 10 Arizona 69-51. Next: vs. Washington State, Wednesday.
9. Kansas (14-3) lost to No. 11 Iowa State 86-81. Next: vs. No. 18 Oklahoma, Monday.
10. Arizona (16-2) beat No. 8 Utah 69-51. Next: at Stanford, Thursday.
11. Iowa State (13-3) beat No. 9 Kansas 86-81. Next: vs. Kansas State, Tuesday.
12. Notre Dame (17-2) beat Miami 75-70. Next: at Virginia Tech, Thursday.
13. Wichita State (16-2) beat Evansville 61-41. Next: at Missouri State, Wednesday.
14. Maryland (17-2) beat Michigan State 75-59. Next: at Indiana, Thursday.
15. North Carolina (13-4) did not play. Next: vs. Virginia Tech, today.
16. West Virginia (15-3) lost to No. 20 Texas 77-50. Next: vs. TCU, Saturday.
17. VCU (15-3) beat Duquesne 70-64. Next: at Saint Louis, Friday.
18. Oklahoma (12-5) beat No. 24 Oklahoma State 82-65. Next: at No. 9 Kansas, Monday.
19. Arkansas (13-3) vs. Mississippi. Next: vs. Alabama, Thursday.
20. Texas (13-4) beat No. 16 West Virginia 77-50. Next: at TCU, Monday.
21. Seton Hall (13-4) did not play. Next: vs. DePaul, Thursday.
22. Baylor (15-4) lost to Kansas State 63-61. Next: vs. Weston-Tillerson, Wednesday.
23. Northern Iowa (15-2) did not play. Next: vs. Missouri State, today.
24. Oklahoma State (12-5) lost to No. 18 Oklahoma 82-65. Next: vs. Texas Tech, Wednesday.
25. Wyoming (16-3) beat Fresno State 70-65, 3OT. Next: vs. New Mexico, Saturday.

SUNDAY'S SCORES
SOUTHWEST

Arkansas St. 78, Texas St. 73, OT
Hardin-Simmons 59, Concordia-Austin 69
Houston Baptist 74, New Orleans 73
Oklahoma 82, Oklahoma St. 65
Oral Roberts 82, IPFW 59
Prairie View 70, Jackson St. 55
SE Louisiana 108, Incarnate Word 98, 2OT
SMU 77, East Carolina 54
Sam Houston St. 69, McNeese St. 60
Stephen F. Austin 82, Abilene Christian 64
TCU 62, Texas Tech 42
Texas 77, West Virginia 50
Texas Southern 60, Grambling St. 51
Tulane 68, Houston 65
UTEP 73, UTSA 55

SOUTH

Alabama St. 59, Alabama A&M 56
Alcorn St. 87, MVSU 67
Appalachian St. 74, Georgia St. 69
Auburn 71, South Carolina 68
Belmont 89, Austin Peay 63
Bethune-Cookman 58, Coppin St. 53
Charleston Southern 73, Presbyterian 65
Clemson 66, Syracuse 53
Delaware St. 60, SC State 49
Duke 63, Louisville 52
E. Illinois 65, Morehead St. 62
E. Kentucky 78, SIU-Edwardsville 62
FAU 76, Marshall 62
Florida Gulf Coast 79, Jacksonville 50
Furman 74, The Citadel 62
Gardner-Webb 82, Coastal Carolina 67
Georgia 73, Florida 61
James Madison 75, Elon 72
Kentucky 70, Alabama 48
Lipscomb 91, Kennesaw St. 77
Longwood 85, Liberty 71
Louisiana Tech 75, Middle Tennessee 68
Louisiana-Monroe 64, UALR 52
Maryland 75, Michigan St. 59
Md.-Eastern Shore 87, Savannah St. 57
Memphis 99, UCF 79
Mercer 80, Samford 56
Mississippi St. 57, Vanderbilt 54
Morgan St. 75, Florida A&M 65
Murray St. 91, Tennessee St. 72
N. Kentucky 66, SC-Upstate 61
NC A&T 64, Hampton 61
NC Central 60, Norfolk St. 56
NC State 72, Florida St. 63
North Florida 80, Stetson 65
Northwestern St. 86, Lamar 84
Old Dominion 61, North Texas 50
Radford 85, Winthrop 77
Rice 73, Charlotte 68, OT
Richmond 89, Davidson 63
South Alabama 89, Louisiana-Lafayette 82
Southern U. 70, Ark.-Pine Bluff 60
Texas A&M 67, LSU 64
Texas A&M-CC 69, Nicholls St. 66
Troy 75, Georgia Southern 71
Tulsa 75, South Florida 58
UAB 83, Southern Miss. 56
UNC Asheville 69, Campbell 65
UTA-Martin 95, Jacksonville St. 52
VMI 85, ETSU 79
W. Kentucky 65, FIU 58
Wofford 82, W. Carolina 43

MIDWEST

Akron 82, Cent. Michigan 76
Bowling Green 58, Ball St. 46
Cincinnati 84, Temple 53
Cleveland St. 74, Youngstown St. 61
Dayton 61, Saint Louis 45
Drake 84, Indiana St. 76
E. Michigan 54, Ill.-Illinois 46
Green Bay 70, Detroit 64
Illinois St. 92, Bradley 72
Iowa 76, Ohio St. 67
Kansas St. 63, Baylor 61
Kent St. 69, Ohio 59
Michigan St. 59, Nebraska 54
Minnesota 89, Rutgers 80
N. Colorado 89, North Dakota 78, OT
Notre Dame 75, Miami 70
Providence 74, Creighton 65
S. Dakota St. 71, South Dakota 57
SE Missouri 65, Tennessee Tech 61
Tennessee 59, Missouri 51
UMKC 84, Chicago St. 62
Valparaiso 86, Wright St. 56
W. Michigan 81, Toledo 78, OT
Wichita St. 61, Evansville 41
Xavier 82, Marquette 58

FAR WEST

Arizona 89, Utah 51
Arizona St. 78, Colorado 72
Gonzaga 72, Loyola Marymount 55
Long Beach St. 69, UC Santa Barbara 53
Montana 83, Montana St. 48
N. Arizona 72, Idaho St. 69
Oregon St. 82, Washington St. 47
Pepperdine 67, Portland 63
S. Utah 70, Weber St. 60
San Diego St. 53, UNLV 47
Santa Clara 70, San Francisco 64
Stanford 72, UConn 59
UC Davis 79, Cal St.-Fullerton 68
Utah St. 71, Air Force 59
Wyoming 70, Fresno St. 65, 3OT

TODAY'S GAMES
SOUTH

Virginia Tech at North Carolina, 5:30 p.m.

MIDWEST

Indiana at Illinois, Noon
IUPUI at Nebraska-Omaha, 1 p.m.
St. John's at DePaul, 1:30 p.m.
Akron at Oakland, 2 p.m.
Missouri St. at N. Iowa, 3 p.m.
Loyola of Chicago at S. Illinois, 5:05 p.m.

FAR WEST

Boise St. at New Mexico, 5 p.m.
Oregon at Washington, 7:30 p.m.

EAST

Boston U. at Loyola (Md.), Noon
Sacred Heart at Robert Morris, Noon
Iona at Canisius, 1 p.m.
Rider at Manhattan, 1 p.m.
Siena at Niagara, 1 p.m.
St. Francis (NY) at St. Francis (Pa.), 1 p.m.
Saint Joseph's at St. Bonaventure, 1:30 p.m.
Quinnipiac at Marist, 2 p.m.
Fairfield at Monmouth (NJ), 3:30 p.m.

EAST

American U. 78, Lafayette 76
Bryant 70, CCSU 54
Bucknell 81, Army 75
Buffalo 77, Miami (Ohio) 68
Colgate 65, Navy 53
Columbia 48, Cornell 45
Dartmouth 62, NJIT 53
Drexel 66, Delaware 62
George Washington 63, George Mason 53
Georgetown 61, Butler 59
Hartford 68, Mass.-Lowell 62, OT
La Salle 60, Fordham 49
Lehigh 89, Holy Cross 64
Mount St. Mary's 61, LIU Brooklyn 54
New Hampshire 73, Binghamton 66, OT
Northeastern 69, Coll. of Charleston 67
Pittsburgh 70, Georgia Tech 65
Purdue 84, Penn St. 77, OT
Stony Brook 82, Maine 39
UMass 80, Rhode Island 58
UNC Wilmington 79, Hofstra 74
VCU 70, Duquesne 64
Vermont 71, UMBC 54
Villanova 62, Penn 47
Virginia 66, Boston College 51
Wagner 82, Fairleigh Dickinson 66
William & Mary 85, Towson 72
Yale 80, Brown 62

Women

TOP 25 FARED

1. South Carolina (17-0) did not play. Next: at Florida, Monday.
2. UConn (15-1) did not play. Next: vs. South Florida, today.
3. **Baylor (16-1) beat Kansas 71-63. Next: vs. No. 4 Texas, Monday.**
4. Louisville (16-1) did not play. Next: vs. Virginia, today.
5. **Texas (14-2) beat Texas Tech 55-44. Next: at No. 3 Baylor, Monday.**
6. Tennessee (15-2) did not play. Next: at No. 7 Notre Dame, Monday.
7. Notre Dame (16-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 6 Tennessee, Monday.
8. Maryland (14-2) did not play. Next: vs. Illinois, today.
9. Oregon State (15-1) did not play. Next: vs. Washington, Monday.
10. Kentucky (15-3) did not play. Next: at LSU, today.
11. **Texas A&M (15-3) did not play. Next: vs. Mississippi, today.**
12. North Carolina (15-3) did not play. Next: at Clemson, today.
13. Stanford (13-4) did not play. Next: vs. No. 14 Arizona State, Monday.
14. Arizona State (16-1) did not play. Next: at No. 13 Stanford, Monday.
15. Mississippi State (18-2) did not play. Next: vs. Alabama, today.
16. Duke (12-5) did not play. Next: vs. Miami, today.
17. Nebraska (13-3) did not play. Next: vs. Purdue, Monday.
18. Georgia (15-3) did not play. Next: vs. Vanderbilt, today.
19. Princeton (17-0) did not play. Next: at Harvard, Friday, Jan. 30.
20. Florida State (16-2) did not play. Next: at Virginia Tech, today.
21. Oklahoma State (12-4) lost to West Virginia 61-49. Next: at Oklahoma, Monday.
22. Iowa (13-3) did not play. Next: at Michigan State, today.
23. Minnesota (15-2) did not play. Next: vs. Indiana, today.
24. Rutgers (12-5) did not play. Next: at Wisconsin, today.
25. Syracuse (12-5) did not play. Next: at Boston College, today.

SATURDAY'S SCORES
SOUTHWEST

Arkansas St. 68, Texas St. 48
Charlotte 62, Rice 59
Hardin-Simmons 64, Concordia-Austin 55
Houston Baptist 63, New Orleans 45
Incarnate Word 82, SE Louisiana 70
McNeese St. 79, Sam Houston St. 74
Oklahoma 87, TCU 81
Old Dominion 54, North Texas 44
Oral Roberts 76, W. Illinois 73
Prairie View 82, Jackson St. 65
Stephen F. Austin 71, Abilene Christian 69, OT
Texas 55, Texas Tech 44
Texas Southern 74, Grambling St. 33
Texas-Pan American 77, CS Bakersfield 60
Tulsa 74, Houston 52
UTSA 55, UTEP 53
West Virginia 61, Oklahoma St. 49

SOUTH

Alabama A&M 59, Alabama St. 50
Alcorn St. 52, MVSU 47
Belmont 79, Murray St. 68
Bethune-Cookman 61, Coppin St. 56
Campbell 65, Radford 62, OT
Chattanooga 83, W. Carolina 52
Coastal Carolina 81, Winthrop 62
ETSU 87, UNC-Greensboro 65
Florida Gulf Coast 60, Jacksonville 37
Jacksonville St. 76, Appalachian St. 71
Hampton 54, NC A&T 48
Lamar 82, Northwestern St. 72
Liberty 86, Charleston Southern 51
Lipscomb 79, Kennesaw St. 61
Louisiana-Lafayette 65, South Alabama 58
Marshall 66, FAU 59
Md.-Eastern Shore 61, Savannah St. 50
Mercer 80, Wofford 51
Middle Tennessee 82, Louisiana Tech 59
Morehead St. 67, E. Illinois 62
Morgan St. 57, Florida A&M 50
N. Kentucky 77, SC-Upstate 74
Norfolk St. 82, NC Central 58
Presbyterian 53, Longwood 48
SC State 65, Delaware St. 60
SIU-Edwardsville 71, E. Kentucky 61
Samford 76, Furman 65
Southern U. 69, Ark.-Pine Bluff 42
Stetson 67, North Florida 38
Tennessee St. 81, Austin Peay 78, OT
Texas A&M-CC 75, Nicholls St. 59
Troy 84, Georgia Southern 74
Tulane 60, SMU 58
UAB 82, Southern Miss. 49
UALR 79, Louisiana-Monroe 41
UNC Asheville 64, Gardner-Webb 55
UT-Martin 67, Jacksonville St. 47
W. Kentucky 81, FIU 42

MIDWEST

Akron 65, Miami (Ohio) 47
Baylor 71, Kansas 63
Cleveland St. 71, Detroit 65
E. Michigan 64, Bowling Green 52
Green Bay 63, Milwaukee 37
Ill.-Chicago 75, Oakland 60
Iowa St. 79, Kansas St. 59
Michigan 73, Northwestern 66
N. Dakota St. 81, IPFW 60
N. Illinois 66, Kent St. 49
Nebraska-Omaha 66, IUPUI 49
Ohio 71, Cent. Michigan 51
SE Missouri 68, Tennessee Tech 66, OT
South Dakota 82, S. Dakota St. 78
Toledo 65, W. Michigan 49
UMKC 65, Chicago St. 59
Wright St. 80, Valparaiso 62

FAR WEST

Boise St. 86, New Mexico 65
Cal Poly 63, CS Northridge 54
Colorado St. 77, San Jose St. 59
Fresno St. 66, Wyoming 65
Gonzaga 76, Loyola Marymount 62
Idaho 77, Portland St. 49
Idaho St. 69, N. Arizona 68
Long Beach St. 81, UC Santa Barbara 44
Montana 62, Montana St. 48
New Mexico St. 76, Seattle 66
North Dakota 66, N. Colorado 58
Portland 80, Pepperdine 61
Sacramento St. 75, E. Washington 67
Saint Mary's (Cal) 61, BYU 51
San Diego 56, Pacific 52
San Francisco 62, Santa Clara 45
UC Davis 64, Cal St.-Fullerton 59
UNLV 64, San Diego St. 47
Utah St. 69, Air Force 53
Utah Valley 82, Grand Canyon 50
Weber St. 93, S. Utah 39

EAST

American U. 63, Lafayette 44
Buffalo 53, Ball St. 43
CCSU 70, Bryant 59
Cornell 59, Columbia 39
Fairleigh Dickinson 72, Wagner 70
Hartford 67, Mass.-Lowell 56
Lehigh 66, Holy Cross 60
Loyola (Md.) 63, Boston U. 53
Maine 58, Stony Brook 55
Mount St. Mary's 76, LIU Brooklyn 49
Navy 65, Colgate 63
New Hampshire 73, Binghamton 68
Robert Morris 67, St. Francis (NY) 64
Sacred Heart 101, St. Francis (Pa.) 91
Temple 72, UCF 57
UMBC 68, Vermont 61

TODAY'S GAMES
SOUTHWEST

Missouri at Arkansas, 2 p.m.
Mississippi at Texas A&M, 4 p.m.

SOUTH

George Mason at Richmond, 11 a.m.
Miami at Duke, Noon
North Carolina at Clemson, 1 p.m.
Northeastern at Coll. of Charleston, 1 p.m.
Memphis at East Carolina, 1 p.m.
Towson at Elon, 1 p.m.
Vanderbilt at Georgia, 1 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Georgia Tech, 1 p.m.
Drexel at James Madison, 1 p.m.
Kentucky at LSU, 1 p.m.
Illinois at Maryland, 1 p.m.
Florida St. at Virginia Tech, 1 p.m.
N.C. State at Wake Forest, 1 p.m.
Virginia at Louisville, 2 p.m.
Alabama at Mississippi St., 3 p.m.

MIDWEST

Villanova at Xavier, 11 a.m.
Georgetown at Butler, Noon
Evansville at S. Illinois, 12:05 p.m.
Iowa at Michigan St., 1 p.m.
Penn St. at Ohio St., 1 p.m.
Davidson at Saint Louis, 1 p.m.
Missouri St. at Bradley, 2 p.m.
Wichita St. at Loyola of Chicago, 2 p.m.
Indiana at Minnesota, 2 p.m.
Rutgers at Wisconsin, 2 p.m.
Indiana St. at Illinois St., 2:05 p.m.

FAR WEST

Colorado at Utah, 1 p.m.
Arizona at California, 3 p.m.
Washington St. at Oregon, 3 p.m.
Southern Cal at UCLA, 9:30 p.m.

EAST

Siena at Marist, 11 a.m.
Syracuse at Boston College, Noon
Manhattan at Quinnipiac, Noon
South Florida at UConn, Noon
Bucknell at Army, 1 p.m.
William & Mary at Delaware, 1 p.m.
VCU at Fordham, 1 p.m.
NJIT at Harvard, 1 p.m.
UNC Wilmington at Hofstra, 1 p.m.
Rider at Iona, 1 p.m.
Niagara at Monmouth (N.J.), 1 p.m.
La Salle at Rhode Island, 1 p.m.
Marquette at St. John's, 1 p.m.
Canisius at Saint Peter's, 1 p.m.
DePaul at Seton Hall, 1 p.m.
George Washington at UMass, 1 p.m.
Saint Joseph's at Duquesne, 3 p.m.
Dayton at St. Bonaventure, 4 p.m.

No. 4 Duke tops No. 6 Louisville

No. 4 Blue Devils.....63
No. 6 Cardinals.....52

Gary Jones/AP

Duke center Jahlil Okafor (15) and Louisville guard Terry Rozier 90) wrestle for control of a rebound Saturday in Louisville, Ky.

By Gary B. Graves
Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Nice as it was to finally halt the losing streak, Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski cautioned against reading too much into Saturday's 63-52 win over No. 6 Louisville.

That's asking a lot considering how effective the Blue Devils' zone defense was in denying the Cardinals inside.

Duke's defense made it easy for Jahlil Okafor to take over on the other end as he scored 14 of his 18 points in the second half. Amile Jefferson added 19 as Duke handed Louisville its first double-digit loss in three years.

Staggered by Tuesday's 16-point loss to Miami that ended their 41-game home winning streak, the Blue Devils (15-2, 3-2 Atlantic Coast Conference) rebounded to throttle the Cardinals on their home floor and end a two-game slide. The 6-foot-11 freshman Okafor and 6-9 Jefferson played a big role in outscoring Louisville 32-24 in the paint while denying the inside defensively.

Louisville (15-3, 3-2) shot just 18 of 61 from the field (30 percent) and failed again led to beat one of the ACC's traditional powerhouses. The Cardinals lost at North Carolina last Saturday.

"I thought our offense was affecting our defense and we needed to change our point of pick up — whether it be man or zone — and put it at the top of the key," Krzyzewski said. "Try not to let people get points in the paint against us. Our guys did a good job of that."

Okafor, Jefferson and Justise Winslow each grabbed seven rebounds as the Blue Devils finally put Krzyzewski within two wins of 1,000.

"Coaches put in some new stuff coming into this game and we followed it to a T," Jefferson said. "We ran a new offense, we had new plays. We did a lot of things differently and it really helped us out today."

Walker shoots 62 and takes Sony Open lead

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

HONOLULU — Defending champion Jimmy Walker one-putted his last 11 holes Saturday on his way to an 8-under 62, giving him a two-shot lead in the Sony Open and a chance to become the first back-to-back winner since 2004.

On a day in which six players had at least a share of the lead at some point, Walker began his surge with a wedge to 5 feet on the eighth hole. He twice saved par, escaped with a bogey after two shots from a plugged lie in a bunker on the 17th and made birdie everywhere else.

It was reminiscent of his final round at Waialae a year ago when he raced past a crowded field with key putts. That gave him a victory. This only gave him a chance to become the first repeat winner of the Sony Open since Ernie Els.

Matt Kuchar, one of three players tied for the lead at the start of Saturday, birdied two of his last three holes for a 68 and was two shots behind.

Walker was at 16-under 194, and he knows as well as anyone that this tournament is just getting started.

"Somebody is shooting a low round every day, and you never know where it's going to come from," Walker said. "So you've got to go out with the expectation you've got to shoot a good score tomorrow."

Without the strong wind typical of this tournament, there has been a score of at least 62 every round. That led Kuchar to say that anyone within six shots of the lead is still a threat.

If that's the case, this could very much be up for grabs.

Brian Harman (64) and Troy Merritt (67) were three shots behind, while Tim Clark (68) and Justin Thomas (70) were another shot behind.

The 21-year-old Thomas, playing in the final group on the weekend for the first time, twice made key putts to turn double bogeys into only bogeys. He was tied for the lead through 12 holes until going well long on the 13th and scratching out a bogey, then dropping another shot on the 16th before closing with a birdie.

Max Homa, a former NCAA champion from Cal, had a 63 and was five shots behind.

Walker, however, has been steady and good during his two-week stay in paradise. This was his 17th consecutive round in the 60s in the Aloha State, and he was tied for the 54-hole lead last week at Kapalua in the Tournament of Champions before losing to Patrick Reed in a playoff.

Walker said the loss stung, though he was helped by the short turnaround. And playing good golf puts last week even further in the past.

Even so, he thought he was losing ground when he was only 1-under par for the day going to the eighth hole. He made his birdie at No. 8 and turned to caddie Andy Sanders and said, "Let's get going." And they did.

The key putt was a 12-footer at the par-5 ninth to keep his momentum, and a 20-foot birdie putt on the 10th. Just like that, he was back in the game, and Walker poured it on from there. Only after a tap-in birdie at the 15th did it dawn on him that he had been making a lot of putts.

"I kind of went back through it and I counted eight (one-putts), and then when I hit it up on the green on 16 I thought, 'This is going to be a tough one to keep the streak going,'" Walker said.

From 30 feet, the putt was in the center of the cup.

Walker stretched his lead to as many as four shots until he caught a plugged lie in the bunker on the 17th, took two to get out, and then made a 5-foot bogey putt. He escaped trouble from a palm tree on the par-5 18th hole, hit his third shot from 210 yards into 10 feet and finished in style.

TOP25ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Men

NO. 1 KENTUCKY 70 ALABAMA 48

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Devin Booker scored 13 points and Kentucky coasted to its second straight lopsided Southeastern Conference victory.

The Wildcats (17-0, 4-0) withstood an early second-half rally by Alabama (12-5, 2-2) before brushing off the potential challenge. It wasn't a laugher like Kentucky's 86-37 win over Missouri on Tuesday night, but the Wildcats easily overwhelmed an Alabama team that had won six of its last seven games.

NO. 2 VIRGINIA 66 BOSTON COLLEGE 51

BOSTON — Malcolm Brogdon scored 20 points, Anthony Gill had 11 points and 10 rebounds and Virginia pulled away to beat Boston College.

The Cavaliers (17-0, 5-0 Atlantic Coast Conference) continued their best start since the Ralph Sampson-led 1980-81 team won its first 23 games.

NO. 3 GONZAGA 72 LOYOLA MARYMOUNT 55

LOS ANGELES — Gary Bell Jr. scored 17 points and Gonzaga pulled away in the second half to beat Loyola Marymount for its 11th straight win over the Lions.

Kevin Pangos added 16 points and six assists. Bryon Wesley had 14 points and Kyle Wiltjer 12 points for the Zags (18-1, 7-0 West Coast). They've won 10 in a row since an overtime loss to Arizona on Dec. 6.

NO. 5 VILLANOVA 62 PENN 47

PHILADELPHIA — Daniel Ochefu had 21 points and 10 rebounds to help No. 5 Villanova pull away late and beat pesky Penn 62-47 on Saturday night.

NO. 10 ARIZONA 69 NO. 8 UTAH 51

TUCSON, Ariz. — Stanley Johnson scored all 18 of his points in the second half, T.J. McConnell added 16 points in a rare display of offensive aggression and No. 10 Arizona rolled over No. 8 Utah 69-51 on Saturday.

NO. 11 IOWA STATE 86 NO. 9 KANSAS 81

AMES, Iowa — Naz Long scored 20 points and 11th-ranked Iowa State held off No. 9 Kansas 86-81 on Saturday night, recording back-to-back wins over the Jayhawks for the first time in 14 years.

NO. 12 NOTRE DAME 75 MIAMI 70

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Jerian Grant scored 23 points and Notre Dame overcame a 12-point deficit in the second half to beat Miami.

NO. 13 WICHITA STATE 61 EVANSVILLE 41

EVANSVILLE, Ind. — Darius Carter and Ron Baker scored 18 points apiece to lead Wichita State past Evansville.

NO. 14 MARYLAND 75 MICHIGAN STATE 59

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — Freshman Melo Trimble scored 21 of his 24 points in the first half and Maryland breezed past Michigan State to take sole possession of first place in the Big Ten.

NO. 17 VCU 70 DUQUESNE 64

PITTSBURGH — JeQuan Lewis scored a season-high 16 points and Virginia Commonwealth beat Duquesne for its 10th straight victory.

NO. 18 OKLAHOMA 82 NO. 24 OKLAHOMA ST. 65

NORMAN, Okla. — Buddy Hield scored 27 points on 10-for-10 shooting to help No. 18 Oklahoma defeat No. 24 Oklahoma State 82-65 on Saturday night.

NO. 25 WYOMING 70, FRESNO STATE 65, 3OT

FRESNO, Calif. — Larry Nance Jr. scored 21 points and Josh Adams added 16 to help Wyoming survive a triple-overtime thriller against Fresno State.

Women

WEST VIRGINIA 61 NO. 21 OKLAHOMA STATE 49

STILLWATER, Okla. — Bre McDonald scored 16 points in her first start to help West Virginia upset Oklahoma State.

GOLF SCORES

PGA

Sony Open Scores
Saturday
At Waialae Country Club Course
Honolulu
Purse: $5.6 million
Yardage: 7,044; Par: 70
Third Round

Jimmy Walker	66-66-62—194
Matt Kuchar	65-63-68—196
Brian Harman	66-67-64—197
Troy Merritt	66-64-67—197
Tim Clark	65-65-68—198
Justin Thomas	67-61-70—198
Max Homa	68-67-63—199
Jason Kokrak	67-69-64—200
Shawn Stefani	69-66-65—200
Harris English	66-69-65—200
K.J. Choi	68-67-65—200
Gary Woodland	70-65-65—200
Scott Piercy	67-67-66—200
Camilo Villegas	63-70-67—200
Daniel Summerhays	66-67-67—200
Russell Knox	66-65-69—200
Hyung Sung Kim	69-69-62—200
Webb Simpson	62-66-72—200
John Peterson	65-70-66—201
Brian Davis	66-70-65—201
Zac Blair	71-66-64—201
Ryan Palmer	69-63-69—201
Paul Casey	62-70-69—201
Robert Streb	63-68-69—201
Charles Howell III	69-66-67—202
Nicholas Thompson	69-67-66—202
Jerry Kelly	73-62-67—202
Daniel Berger	68-66-68—202
Chez Reavie	67-67-68—202
Jason Day	65-69-68—202
James Hahn	69-64-69—202
J.J. Henry	65-67-70—202
Russell Henley	72-64-67—203
Andrew Svoboda	70-66-67—203
Tom Johnson	70-66-67—203
Scott Pinckney	71-63-69—203
Chad Collins	69-65-69—203
Stewart Cink	69-69-65—203
Marc Leishman	70-62-71—203
Francesco Molinari	67-68-69—204
Jhonattan Vegas	68-68-68—204
Jeff Overton	67-68-69—204
Kenny Perry	68-69-67—204
Luke Donald	68-69-67—204
Stuart Appleby	68-69-67—204
Mark Hubbard	68-66-70—204
Kevin Na	66-67-71—204
Colt Knost	70-68-66—204
Zach Johnson	68-69-68—205
Pat Perez	67-68-70—205
Steven Bowditch	70-64-71—205
Morgan Hoffmann	70-67-68—205
Scott Langley	70-68-67—205
Spencer Levin	69-69-67—205
Rory Sabbatini	64-67-74—205
Blayne Barber	66-69-71—206
Roger Sloan	70-67-69—206
Boo Weekley	69-65-72—206
Ben Martin	71-67-68—206
Nick Taylor	70-68-68—206
WC Liang	68-68-71—207
Matt Jones	68-67-72—207
Justin Leonard	70-65-72—207
Sang-Moon Bae	67-70-70—207
Derek Fathauer	68-66-73—207
Michael Putnam	66-71-70—207
Kevin Streelman	72-66-69—207
Brendon Todd	69-69-69—207
Chris Kirk	66-67-74—207
David Hearn	67-71-69—207
Made cut did not finish	
William McGirt	68-68-72—208
Tom Hoge	71-64-73—208
Fabian Gomez	71-66-71—208
Mark Wilson	69-68-71—208
George McNeill	71-67-70—208
Lucas Glover	70-66-73—209
Kyle Suppa	69-69-71—209
Jim Herman	70-66-74—210
John Huh	69-68-73—210
Hideki Matsuyama	72-66-72—210
Martin Flores	70-68-72—210
Jonathan Randolph	65-73-72—210
John Senden	70-68-73—211
Kevin Kisner	70-67-75—212
Luke Guthrie	68-70-75—213

PGA European

Abu Dhabi Championship Leading Scores
Saturday
At Abu Dhabi Golf Club
Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
Purse: $2.7 million
Yardage: 7,583; Par: 72
Third Round

Martin Kaymer, Germany	64-67-65—196
Thomas Pieters, Belgium	65-67-70—202
Alexander Levy, France	66-70-67—203
Bernd Wiesberger, Austria	72-65-66—203
Rory McIlroy, Northern Ireland	67-66-71—204
Charl Schwartzel, South Africa	71-68-65—204
Gary Stal, France	68-69-67—204
Dawie Van der Walt, South Africa	70-70-65—205
Peter Uihlein, United States	67-68-70—205
Jamie Donaldson, Wales	73-67-65—205
Victor Dubuisson, France	69-72-64—205
Miguel Angel Jimenez, Spain	72-67-67—206
Morten Orum Madsen, Denmark	68-69-69—206
Eddie Pepperell, England	70-68-68—206
Gregory Bourdy, France	66-74-66—206
James Morrison, England	68-67-72—207
Richard Green, Australia	68-68-71—207
Tyrrell Hatton, England	66-71-70—207
Robert Karlsson, Sweden	67-71-69—207
Niclas Fasth, Sweden	69-70-68—207
Marcus Fraser, Australia	72-68-67—207
Steve Webster, England	73-67-67—207
Brandon Grace, South Africa	66-74-67—207
An Byeong-hun, South Korea	67-75-65—207
Anthony Wall, England	70-71-66—207
Also	
Mikko Ilonen, Finland	66-75-68—209
Justin Rose, England	73-69-69—211
Ernie Els, South Africa	70-72-69—211
Rickie Fowler, United States	67-75-73—215

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To fax your information, send to 570-7650.

Baseball

GCM Baseball Academy
What: Professional private baseball lessons & clinics covering pitching, fielding, catching and hitting provided by three former professional players.
For: Ages 5 & up.
Cost: Individual lessons $65 an hour or $40 for 30 minutes. Bulk purchases & group lesson rates available at discount.
For more info: Call (432) 425-6108.

Private batting and pitching instruction
For more info: Call Danny Jordan at 230-0096 for instruction on mechanics and pitch selection in a one-on-one setting.

Private hitting and catching instruction
For more info: Call Scott Chapman at 967-2364 for instruction in a one-on-one environment.

Pitching, hitting and fielding lessons
For more info: Call Midland High baseball coach Barry Russell at 296-2438.

Private Baseball/Softball lessons
For more info: Contact Phil Hastings Midland/Odessa at (432) 617-4487 or visit www.extrainnings-midlandodessa.com.

Midland Little League Umpires Needed
For more info: Contact 889-6080.

WTX Baseball
What: Instruction for players 5 and up.
For more info: wtxbaseball.com/ facebook.com/wtxbaseballmidland 413-0329.

Basketball

Permian Basketball Association needs officials
For more info: Jim Cox, 685-4143 or 553-3714.

YMCA needs basketball referees
For more info: 682-2551.

Midland Hoops 32 Basketball Skills Training
Cost: $25 per session, one to two people; $15 for groups of three or more.
For more info: Contact Eddie Venzant at 254-6894 or go to midlandhoops32.com, venzanteddde@yahoo.com.

Bowling

Tuesday Night Petroleum Men's League
When: Meets at 6:45 p.m.
For more info: Melton Post 684-5176 or Cactus Lanes 694-0177.

Edith McElmore Three-Person League
When: 10 a.m. Wednesdays
Where: AMF Lanes
For more info: Call AMF Lanes at 689-9725.

Camps/Clinics

Ten Star All Star Camp
For whom: Boys and girls ages 10-19.
For more info: Call (704) 373-0873 for a brochure.

COM Aquatic Camps
What: Swimming, diving, snorkeling.
Ages: Preschool and grade school.
For more info: Call 684-7755.

Beginner tennis clinics
Where: Midland High School tennis courts.
When: Monday-Thursday from 8:30 to 10 a.m. or 7 to 8:30 p.m.
For: Kindergarten- 12th grade, community based organizations, parents and adults.
Deadline: Two weeks before week wanting to attend.
For more info: Call Luis Valdez at 570-6245, Brandi at 687-7059 or Elizabeth at 699-6058.

Cycling

Permian Basin Bicycle Association Meetings
When: 7 p.m. third Monday of every month.
Where: Beak Park Ranch House: 5200 W. Wall Street, Midland.
Dues: $25/$30 for a family.
For more info: Peyton's Bikes 699-1718 or go to www.pbbatx.com.

Dodgeball

Sticks and Kicks Leagues
Who: Kids, adults, co-ed players.
Cost: $35 per player (8 game season).
Where: Register at Sticks and Kicks, 3918 W. Wall.
For more info: Call 520-6633.

Flag Football

YMCA Officials Needed
What: The YMCA needs officials for Youth Flag Football games Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
For more info: Call 682-2551.

Football

Permian Basin Officials Chapter seeks officials
Note: Education and training will be provided.
For more info: Call Terrell Pierce at 559-5004 or Don Orren at 631-2396.

Martial Arts

Aikido
When: Monday-Friday, 7 to 9 p.m.; Saturdays, 12:30 p.m.
Note: Specializing in traditional Hombu style Aikido.
For more info: Call John Riggs, 684-7008 or 770-3155.

Private Martial Art/Self-Defense Lessons
Ages: Men-Women-Children
What: Learn Basic Skills to Advanced Techniques.
Note: Private, Semi-Private and Group Lessons are available.
For more info: Call Master Oscar Jimenez, 432-559-5009, Ojimenez3@att.net.

Women's Self Defense Class
When: Monday and Wednesday, 8:30 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 7:30 p.m.; Friday, 6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.
Where: Jimenez Tae Kwon-Do Studio, 4400 N. Midland Dr.
For more info: Call 697-8554.

Private Tae Kwon-Do lessons
Where: Jimenez Tae Kwon-Do Studio: 4400 N. Midland Dr.
For more info: Call 697-8554.

Brazilian Jiu Jitsu
When: 6-8 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays; 2-3 p.m. Saturdays.
Where: Perez Martial Arts Academy, 350 N. Midland Dr. Suite A.
For more info: Call 634-9621 or (469) 248-8472.

Matthews Martial Arts
When: Monday through Thursday, 5-8 p.m.
What: Karate-Judo-Jiustsu-Kempo-Kung-Fu.
For: Ages 3 and up.
Where: 3205 Cuthbert.
For more info: Contact Jason Matthews at 488-7467 or 689-8444.

Miscellaneous

Student-Athlete Sports Consultant
For: Assisting high school student athletes with academic-athletic scholarships.
For more info: Call Jacob Santillano at (915) 240-1030.

Poker

Lone Star Poker League
What: Free to play Texas Hold 'em Poker tournaments.
For: Beginners to experienced players. Ages 21 and up.
When/where: 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Wednesday and Friday at Woofers & Tweeters; 6:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday at Rednecks Drafthouse. Players must be signed in by 6:15 p.m. each night.
For more info: Go to www.lonestarpokertour.net.

Professional Wrestling

Old School Wrestling School
What: Professional wrestling school for all ages.
Where: 404 E. 61st St., Odessa.
When: 7-10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; 2-6 p.m. Sunday.
Cost: $50 down; $35 a month.
For more info: Call Fred, 770-7001, or Sam, 349-3055.

Rugby

Mad Dog Rugby Football Club
Practices: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7-9 p.m. at Reyes-Washburn Park (north field).
For more info call: 432-697-6418.

Running

Permian Basin Running Club
Cost: $20 per year for individual membership; $30 for per year for family membership.
For more info: Go to www.pbrunningclub.com or email Shawn Hailey, president at haileyshawn@pbrunningclub.com.

Gazelles Training Group
When: 6 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
For more info: Call Popcorn Leonard at 512-762-1020 or 682-0988.

Shooting

Comanche Trail Shootists
What: Single Action Shooting Society affiliated club in Midland.
When: Monthly shoots first Saturday and third Sunday of each month; first Saturday beginning at 10 a.m. Third Sunday from 1 p.m. (Mandatory safety meeting at 12:30 p.m.) Also shoot on fifth Sunday on months that have them (begin at 1 p.m. and are no cost to the shooter). Mandatory safety meeting at 9:30 a.m.
Where: Timberline Ranch adjacent to Jake's Clays.
For more info: Go to comanchetrailshootists.org or call Hoodoo Brown 682-1422.

Midland Shooters Association
What: All types of shooting practice and competition, featuring archery, benchrest rifle, bulls-eye rifle, high power rifle, pistol silhouette, rimfire silhouette, 3 gun, practical pistol, skeet, trap 5 state and sporting clays.
When: Members can access rifle and pistol ranges from sunrise to sunset seven days a week. Shotgun ranges open 11 a.m. until dusk Wednesday to Sunday.
For more info: Go to www.midlandshooters.com.

Lee Booster Club hosting fundraiser, clay shoot
Purpose: To help raise money for continued improvements to the softball field at Lee High School and player uniforms and equipment.
When/where: Saturday, Jan. 24 at Jake's (13301 FM 1379, Midland).
Registration: Begins at 11 a.m. lunch at noon.
For more info: Call 432-570-0290 or call Tina Greenlee at 432-634-5149.

Soccer

Permian Basin Soccer Association
What: Registration for women's spring/summer season.
Where: Dunagan Park, located at corner of Grat and Terrell.
When: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 7 to 8:30 p.m.
For more info: Contact Jesus Chavez at 557-7032 anytime or Josh Chavez at 238-6847 after 6:30 p.m.

Midland Soccer Association
For: Youth Recreational League Ages 4-18
When: Spring/Fall Games
Note: Also information on becoming a certified referee
For more info: Register online at www.midlandsoccer.com and go to 432-684-5425.

Softball

Midland Softball Association Tournament Schedule
Now available at www.midlandsoftball.com.
For more info: call Tommy Hawkins at 520-9100.

Midland Men's Woodbat Fastpitch Association
For more info: Call 634-6474 or visit www.facebook.com/pages/Midland-Texas-Mens-Fastpitch or wyotastpitch@gmail.com.

Swimming

COM Pre-competitive swimming
Where: Mattie Aquatic Center
Cost: $49 per month
Prerequisite: Must be able to swim 25 yards on freestyle or backstroke
For more info: 684-7755

COM Water Aerobics Classes
When: All times, Monday through Saturday
Who: All skill levels
For more info: Call Tommy McAlister at 684-7755

COM Learn to Swim
Ages: All ages
Note: Private, semi-private and group lessons are available
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COM Masters Swimming
What: Competitive or non-competitive program for adults of all skill levels
When: 5-6 a.m. 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday Wednesday, Friday
Cost: $40 per month (includes cardio training)
For more info: Call 684-7755

COM Diving Instruction
Who: All ages and levels invited
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COM Learn to Dive
What: Learn basic skills for beginners then advance to pre-competitive and competitive diving that emphasize skilled diving techniques and participation in diving meets
Ages: 4 and up
For more info: 684-7755

COM Competitive Dive Team
Who: Try out for Bronze, Silver, Gold Prep or Gold levels of COM Dive Team.
What: Emphasizes is on diving techniques and participation in local and out of town competitive meets
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What: Highest level of COM diving. Concentrates on perfecting Olympic level skills, national and international travel
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Who: Senior citizens that need help with physical conditions resulting from injury, disease, chronic conditions, advanced age, etc.
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Central YMCA Water Aerobics Classes
When: Early morning, morning and evening
For more info: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Central YMCA Arthritis Water Exercise Classes
When: Monday, Wednesday, Friday
For more info: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Central YMCA Swimming Lessons
Who: All ages and ability
For more info: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Central YMCA Synchronized Swimming
For: Ages 6 and up
For more information: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Tennis

West Texas Tennis Association
What: West Texas Tennis Association, a non-profit community tennis association, promotes and oversees USTA leagues, programs and events in the area.
For more info: Call 432-563-1333 or www westtexastennis.com for more information.

Bush Tennis Center Clinics
What: Balloon Tennis 34 (ages 3-4); Redball 58 (ages 5-8); Orange and Green Ball 910 (ages 9-10); Junior Development (8th-8th grade; freshman-JV); Junior Select (varsity); RSR Adults (adult beginners); Intermediate Adults; 4.0-5.0 Adults (advanced adults); Also Junior Team Tennis registration now open.
Where: Bush Tennis Center
For more info: Visit www.bushtenniscenter.com and or call, 620-8180.

USTA Team Tennis Adult Leagues
When: Leagues run May through November
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
For more info: Sherry 620-5610 or Email www.midlandtennis@aol.com.

Midland College tennis classes
When: Tuesdays and Thursdays 12:30 to 1:50 p.m.
Where: Midland College
For more info: Call 686-4266

Youth Clinics
When: For children 4-8 years of age (Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:30 to 4 p.m.) and 9-15 years of age (Mondays and Wednesdays, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. and 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
For more info: 686-4266

Midland Women's Tennis Association fall league
For more info: 689-4340

Midland Tennis Club
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
Annual dues: Adults $65; youth $30; families $140
For more info: Call 686-4266 or email midlandtennisclub@yahoo.com

Walking

Midland Walkabout AWA Club Meetings
When: Fun Walks, 10K, 3rd Saturday morning of the month; Monthly meeting 3rd Sunday at 5 p.m.
Where: Fun Walks, vary; meetings in Room 227, First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas Ave.
Who: All ages
For more info: Call Alex Rose 697-2588 or go to www.midlandwalkabout.org.

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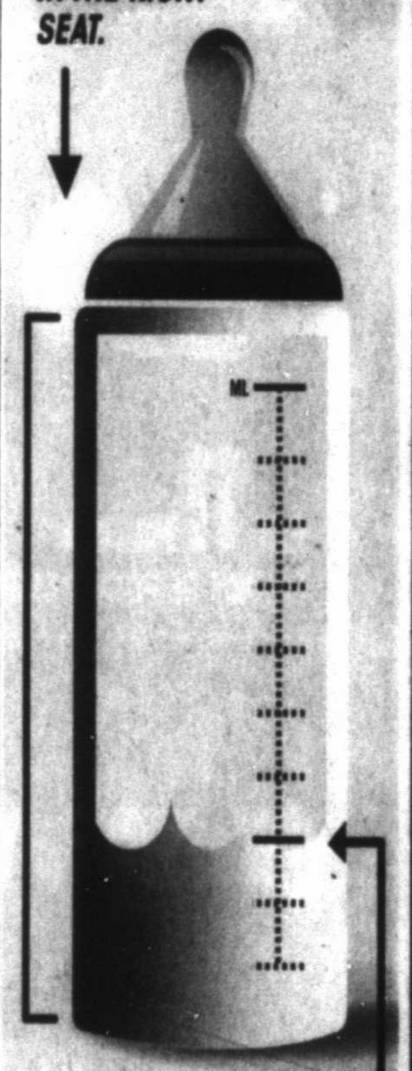

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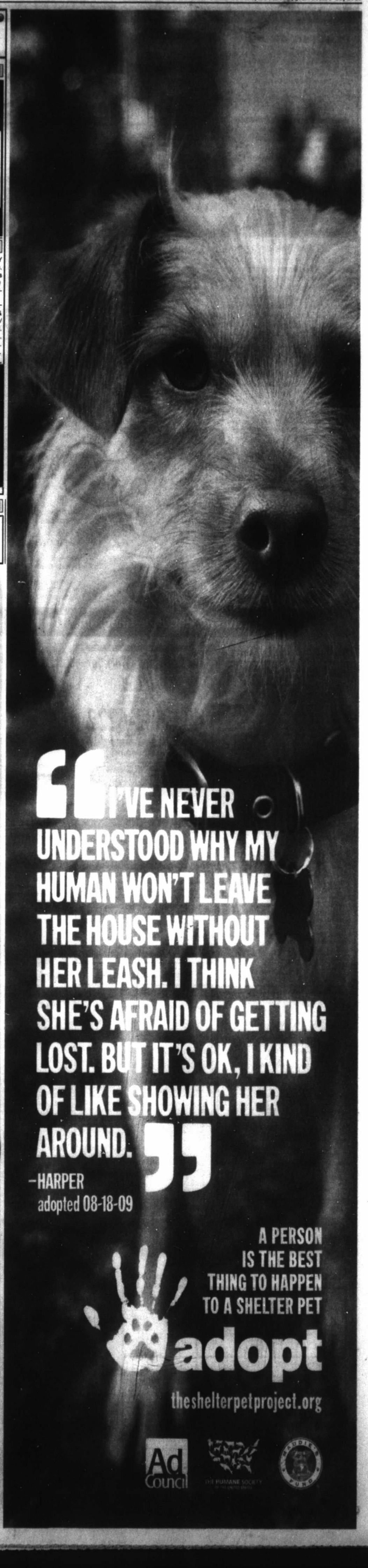

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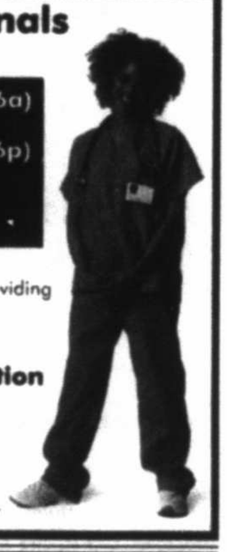

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- High School diploma or equivalent.
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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
Environmental Investigator II

Posting #15089, (Re-Opened), Environmental Investigator II. Monthly salary is $3081.33. Opening Date: 1/14/2015, Closing Date:1/29/2015. Performs entry-level environmental investigative work for the Midland Regional Office of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). For a description of job duties and minimum qualification visit the TCEQ web site listed below. All applications must be submitted to and **received in Human Resources Staff Division of TCEQ by 5:00p.m. on 01/29/2015. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of a completed application.** The employment history of the application must be completed. Mailed applications must be sent to **Human Resources Division, MC 116, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087,** (512)239-0102, Fax (512)239-0111. State of Texas application forms and additional information are available at the TCEQ Region 7 - Midland Regional Office located at 9900 W. IH-20, Ste. 100, Midland, Texas 79706, (432)570-1359 or at the TCEQ Website at www.tceq.texas.gov/admin/employ/jobs.html
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- Associate's degree in early childhood education, child development, special education, child psychology, educational psychology, elementary education, or family consumer science with two years of experience as a director in an early childhood program, with preference given for required experience with a provider that is accredited or TRS certified.
- One year of full-time early childhood classroom experience in a child care, Early Head Start, Head Start, or prekindergarten through third grade school program.
- Must have demonstrated knowledge in best practices in early childhood education and an understanding of early childhood evaluations, observations, and assessments for both teachers and children.

Please submit resume to:
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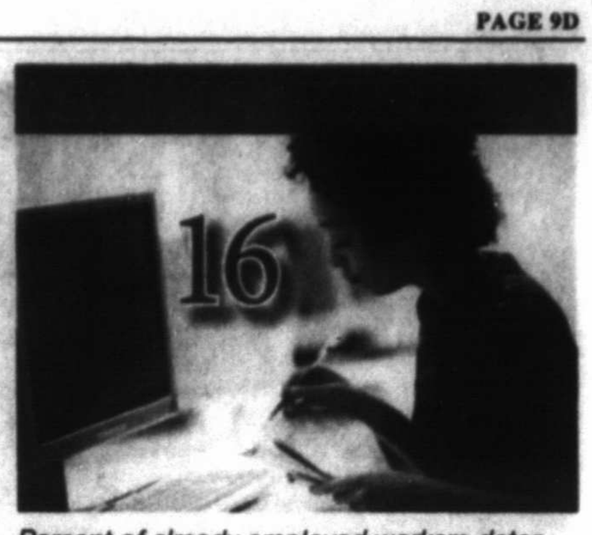

Percent of already employed workers determined to land a new position in the New Year.

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ON THE MOVE

By DAWN KLINGENSMITH
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A new study of commercial real estate professionals shows that 71 percent of Millennials job search even when they are satisfied at work. And should the right opportunity come along, 64 percent would relocate, according to the survey by the executive search firm RETS Associates.

Millennials across all industries are bucking the workforce trend to stay put. They aren't anchored in place by houses they can't sell. They don't own much of anything at all. Still, it would be awful to arrive with a U-Haul full of IKEA furniture and dreams only to discover that life outside of work is dull and unfulfilling. That's why location is an important factor when considering a job offer.

"Candidates are always told to evaluate a company's culture. Before a move, they should also see if the community is a good fit," says Dan Campbell, 2014 chairman of the American Staffing Association and CEO of Hire Dynamics.

Candidates should first check to see if they can afford to live in a new city. Though the job may come with a raise, a higher cost of living can offset any gains. Bankrate.com offers a cost-of-living comparison calculator so folks can compare two towns. It even compares the costs of bowling and beer. Other online calculators focus on essentials like housing and utilities.

Property taxes, schools, commute times, demographics and crime statistics are some of the more obvious things that concern candidates.

But there are less obvious factors that end up affecting their quality of life.

Weather is a big one. "People who hate rain will suffer all the time in Portland," Campbell says. And folks who love four seasons certainly won't enjoy Phoenix.

Hobbies are important, too. Does the community offer everything to enjoy the hobby, from facilities and leagues to supplies and equipment? Is there a rink for skaters? Organized leagues for softball players? Trails for joggers? Art lessons for budding Rembrandts?

If philanthropy is a priority, are there opportunities to support worthwhile causes and serve on boards?

Don't discount the importance of food. Obviously, if people cannot eat gluten or are vegan, there will need to be restaurants or at least grocers that cater to their needs. Limited dining options affect "normal" eaters, too, though not to the same extent. Someone who likes to order Vietnamese takeout one night and chat up a sommelier the next will probably tire of a town with mostly restaurant chains. People can cruise sites like Yelp and Urbanspoon for a pretty good sense of an area's restaurant scene, Campbell says.

Don't forget the escape hatch. Whether or not transplants love their new towns, at some point they will want to visit friends and family back home. But how accessible are they? It makes a big different in price and time if there are direct flights.

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TO COMPETE OR NON-COMPETE

THAT IS THE QUESTION

By CHRIS GELBACH
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Non-compete agreements were once mostly for executives in industries big on trade secrets and human capital investment. But now, they've become a concern for a wider variety of workers.

"We are in a decade of a definite rise in non-competes and the requirements by employers of employees to sign them in all industries, in all positions," says Orly Lobel, a professor of employment and labor law at the University of San Diego and the author of "Talent Wants to Be Free" (Yale University Press, 2013). "There's also a rise in non-compete litigation."

Non-compete agreements restrict employees from working for a competitor or in an industry after employment termination, typically with terms defining a specific geographic limit and a time period that can range from months to years. In many cases, employees feel blindsided when asked to sign these covenants. A 2011 study by MIT associate professor Matt Marx looked at more than 1,000 engineers who signed non-compete agreements. Seventy percent of those engineers were told they would have to sign these agreements after they'd already accepted the job offer – and half after they showed up for work.

But the impact of signing the agreements on workers in the study who later switched jobs was in some cases significant. One-third of the engineers who changed jobs left their industry altogether, often taking pay cuts, to comply with the agreements.

The simple act of signing a non-compete can alter employee behavior, whether the agreement is enforceable or not. "There's a lot of evidence that engineers and other workers signed on a non-compete will decide to forgo other job opportunities and just stay in a place where they're not as happy," Lobel says.

According to Lobel, these workers, when they switch jobs, are also more likely to go to a big company that promises to indemnify them in case of litigation. "Whereas if they start their own business, they're really exposed to that litigation threat," Lobel says.

But while the influence of non-competes on employee behavior is often very real, their validity in many cases isn't. "The majority of non-competes that are presented to employees are legally unenforceable. That's the most important thing that people should know," says Alan Hyde, a professor of law at Rutgers University who writes and lectures frequently on issues involving employee mobility.

But even if a non-compete is unenforceable, an employer can still punish you for not signing one. "If you say, 'I'm not signing that,' the employer is normally free to give the job to someone who will," Hyde says. "So most of the time, the best path for the employee is to sign it, cross your fingers and hope for the best, unfortunately."

Which agreements are enforceable? This can vary greatly by jurisdiction. Non-competes are void in California and significantly restricted in Colorado, North Dakota and Oregon. States like Massachusetts, New York and Michigan are known for stricter enforcement.

In many states, the picture is murky because non-compete agreements are judged based on the vague legal concept of reasonableness, and subject to judge-made interpretations of this reasonableness test.

Nevertheless, some rules of thumb generally apply. "To enforce a non-compete, the employer first has to show a legitimate interest, and it's almost always a trade secret," Hyde says. For this reason, non-competes for low-skill, low-wage positions – like those Jimmy John's has recently received criticism for – are among the most unenforceable.

Likewise, a non-compete is a legal threat for any worker only if the employer will actually sue to enforce it. "Most of these agreements are just there to terrorize employees," Hyde says. "Most employers don't sue on non-competes."

You can find out if you're about to join a company that may sue by talking with current and former employees, and through basic Internet research. "A company that cultivates an image of one that sues departing employees doesn't keep that a secret," Hyde says.

The workers who need to tread most carefully in considering these covenants are those with dreams of entrepreneurship and those in high-skill positions in fast-changing industries. And more evidence is now showing that these workers are starting to re-evaluate where to live and work based on these concerns.

Lobel cites one study that showed that scientists from Michigan moved to California in high rates after Michigan started enforcing non-competes. "You see this even more with the people who are star inventors – they move in even higher rates," Lobel says. "If you feel like you're really valuable, you want to be in a place where there's active competition over you."

As a result, the jurisdictions these workers are moving to may also be benefiting from more startup activity and job creation. "Now there's fairly clear economic research that non-competes hurt society," Hyde says. "There's no social advantage to letting employers inscribe non-competes. All the advantages lie in jurisdictions like California that don't enforce them at all."

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IS THE WAGE WAIT OVER YET?

A lower unemployment rate is just step one.

For many Americans, economic recovery won't really arrive until they have both a job and a bigger paycheck.

Now, there are signs that the long wait for higher earnings may be over for some workers.

A survey by staffing company Accountemps found that 43 percent of chief financial officers at a cross-section of 2,100 firms reported worker requests for raises or a promotion were up from two years ago.

Requests are up, but an online survey from PayScale.com found that 57 percent of employees have never asked for a raise while working in their current field.

On the bright side, 38 percent of those who didn't ask didn't have to: their employer gave them a raise before they needed to request one.

Employers seem to be rewarding workers they especially value. Explains Linda Barrington, executive director of the Institute for Compensation Studies at Cornell University: "If employers feel they are fighting for scarce talent, they will be willing to pay more to get it."

That's probably why the PayScale.com survey show raises often went to employees already making bigger salaries: Only 25 percent of respondents with annual earnings between $10,000 and $20,000 received a requested pay boost, but 70 percent of those making over $150,000 annually did.

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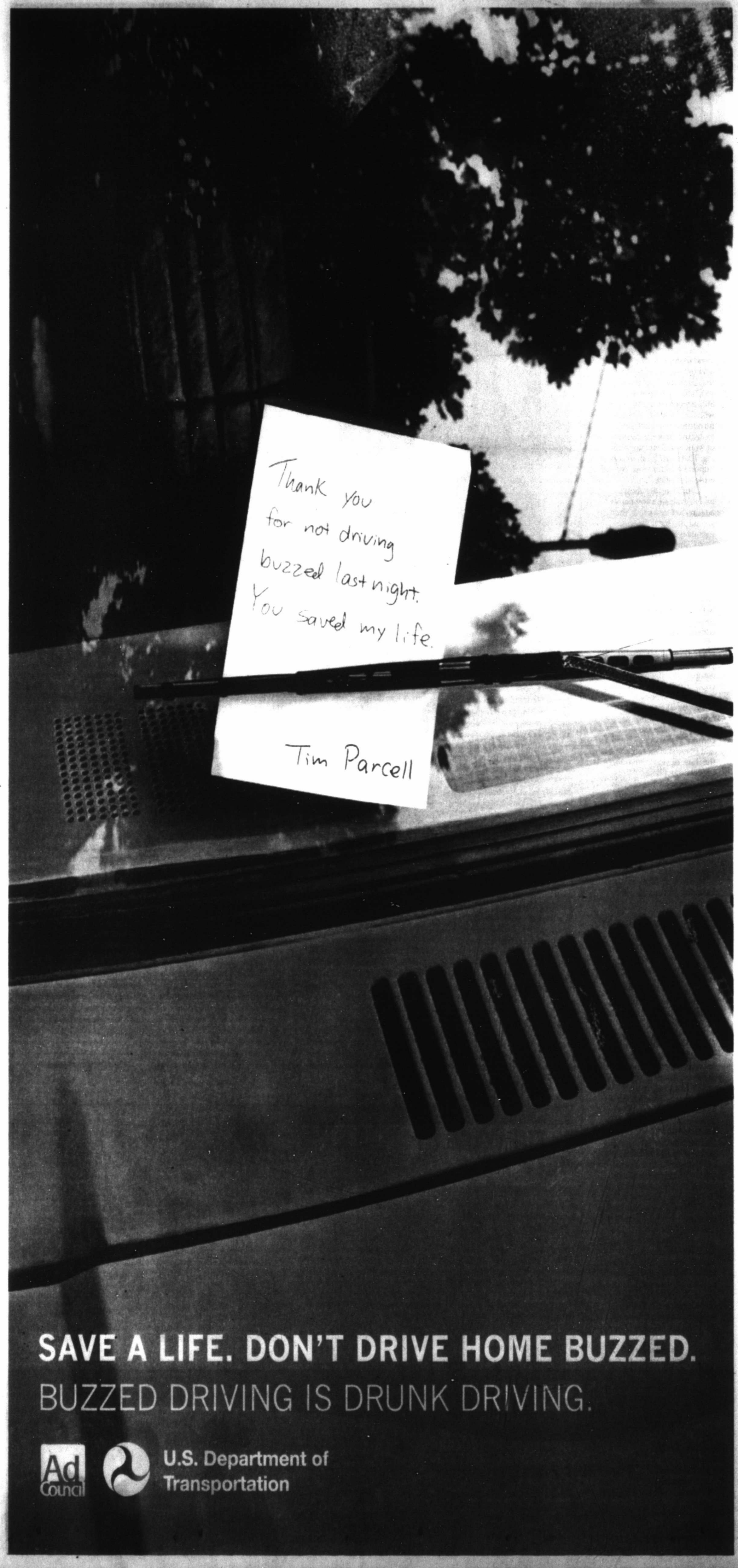
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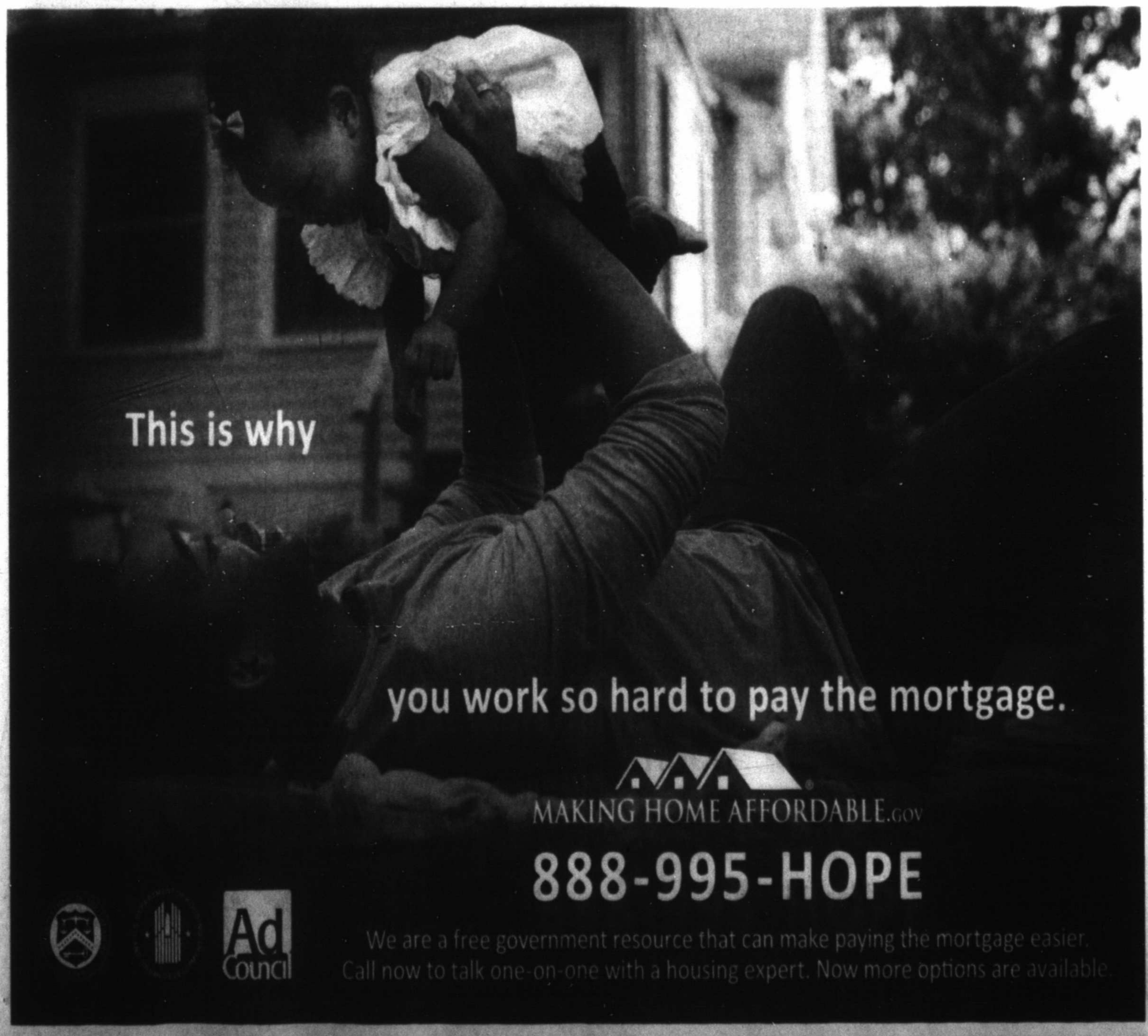

HOMEWISE

Real Estate Tips and Advice

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When buying or selling real estate, hiring a good agent and educating yourself will keep you from running into deal breakers at the closing table.

Avoid surprises at closing

By ALEX MASON | Green Shoot Media

Some things in life are a welcome surprise, and some people thrive with the feeling of "winging it."

A real estate transaction isn't something you should do on the fly, though.

When you are buying or selling a piece of property, knowledge is power and answers are everything. All cards must be on the table from all parties involved to have a hassle-free and litigation-free transfer of property.

Hiring a quality real estate agent will help to cut down on the shocking surprises that may be too late to correct or cope with. Whether you are buying or selling, be sure you have a real estate agent at your side at all times if you want to avoid surprises.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

When a buyer finds the perfect property, it is easy to approach the lending stage with blinders on. After all, we want nothing more than to secure the property and call it our own.

However, the fine print in the loan document can cause nightmares. Your loan contract is full of terms and agreements that, when breached, could result in the forfeiture of the home.

A qualified loan officer is there to serve you, breaking down all the terms and conditions into layman's language. The borrower needs to understand what each loan product means in terms of repayment, interest rate, and the difference between a steady fixed rate loan and the often shaky adjustable rate loan.

The fixed loan rate will be somewhat higher than an adjustable one. However, this loan product is a safe guarantee that the monthly mortgage payment will never fluctuate and increase should future interest rates rise.

The adjustable rate loan may offer a lower monthly payment initially, but it can be a game of risk when the loan adjusts in two, three or five years to an unknown interest rate.

CLOSING COSTS

The buyer and seller need to be on the same page with the closing agreements and have everything put into writing. There are no valid verbal agreements in the real estate game, so be sure your buyer's or seller's agent has all the terms and conditions written in the contract.

Overlooked factors that could create chaos include a misunderstanding of the escrow length, if the seller will contribute a portion towards the buyer's closing costs, and what fixtures or furnishings will accompany the sale of the property.

Similarly, items in or around the property that are not welcomed by the new buyer must be removed from the property before escrow closes.

This may include a backyard spa, refrigerator in the garage or unwanted lighting fixtures inside the home.

PARTIES ON TITLE

Once a home is purchased, a title to the property will be issued to the new owners. In most cases, a husband and wife will have both names added to the title. However, in some cases, the property title is going to be shared with another party that was involved with the purchase. This may include friends or family of the primary buyer, or anyone else they see fit.

Putting someone on the title to your new home may seem like a benevolent gesture, but buyer beware for complications down the road. A property may not be resold until all parties on the title have consented and sign for the sale.

When someone outside of the immediate family in listed on the title, there could be a tug of war as to when to sell the property, how much is the asking price and a battle over the profit. In addition, parents who wish to put their young adult children on the title must proceed with caution.

A young person, particularly males between the ages of 16 and 24, are an extremely high risk to add to the title of a piece of property.

One reason comes down to the driving skills and high insurance rates for young male drivers. Should a young and inexperienced driver become involved in an auto accident, the injured party may sue for damages and walk away with your home. If the wayward driver is on the title of the home, the property is fair game with a lawsuit.

If you wish to ensure your young adult child will be handed the property after your death, simply get a will and state him or her as the beneficiary to the home. This is the safe and sane way to protect your property from auto liability and lawsuits while taking control of the situation.

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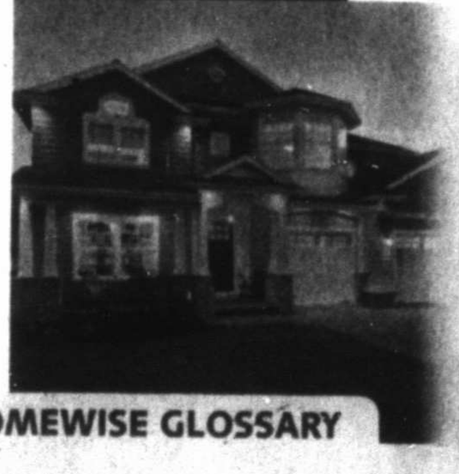

Caution: Trouble Ahead?

Be sure to reach agreement on these potential troublemakers:

- Escrow length
- Seller's contribution to buyer's closing costs
- Which fixtures or furnishings will be included in the sale

HOMEWISE GLOSSARY

escrow: funds held in an account to be used by the lender to pay for home insurance and property taxes. The funds may also be held by a third party until contractual conditions are met and then paid out.

contingency: a clause in a purchase contract outlining conditions that must be fulfilled before the contract is executed. Both, buyer or seller may include contingencies in a contract, but both parties must accept the contingency.

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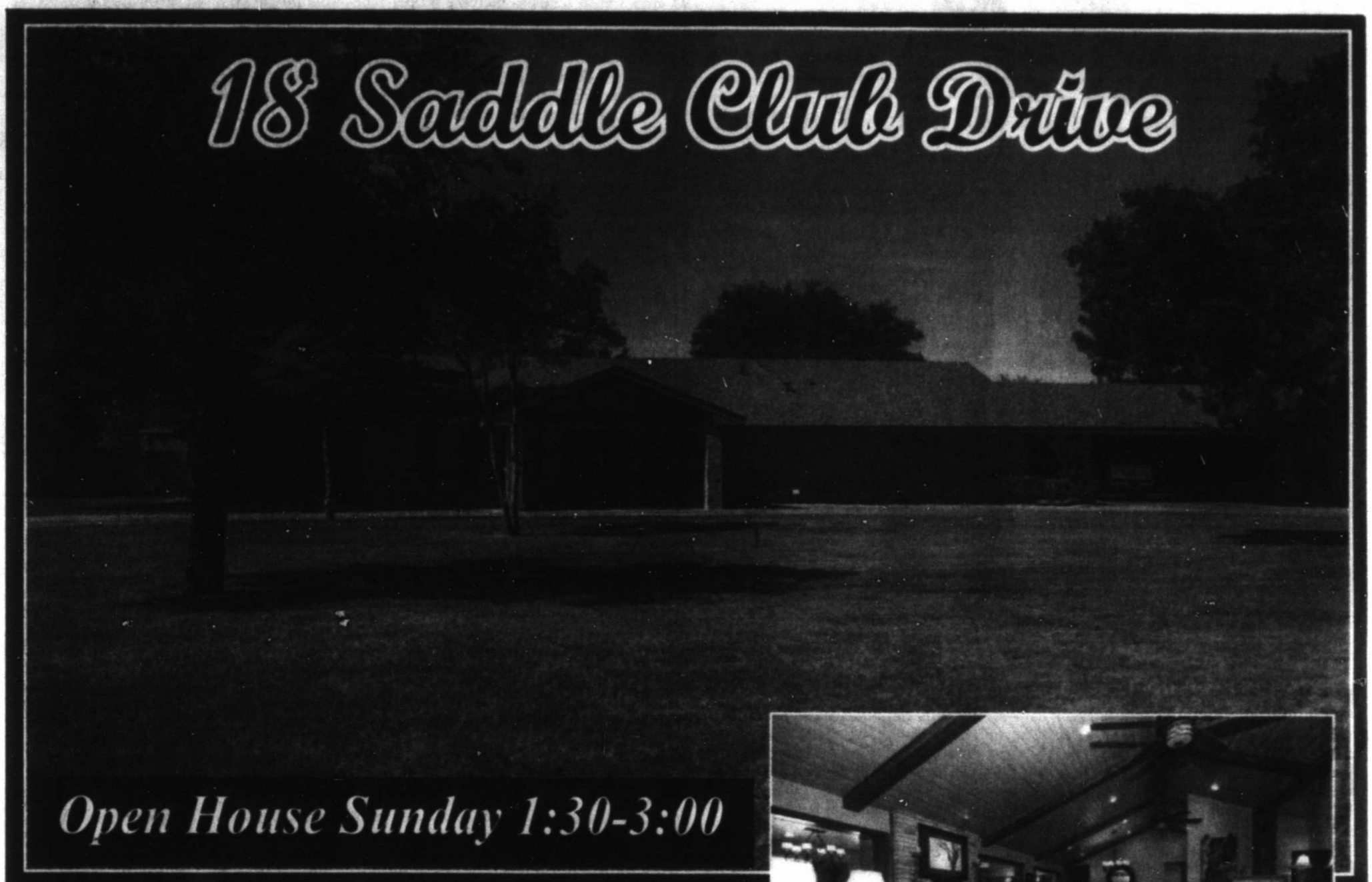

Open House Sunday 1:30-3:00

Located in the upscale neighborhood of Saddle Club Estates, this home has gorgeous open living spaces with beautiful views of the outdoor scenery. Built in 1977 on 2.07 acres, it has 4,348 square feet (per appr) which includes a detached bonus game room/man cave in the back. There are four bedrooms, three full bathrooms, one half bath, three living areas, two dining areas, a two-car carport and one car(plus) enclosed garage/shop. Schools for children living here are Santa Rita Elementary, Goddard Jr. High and Midland High.

A circular drive leads to the large covered porch and decorative iron front door. Get ready to be amazed when the doors open to tall arched wood lined ceilings, wood flooring, open spaces and an inviting atmosphere! The formal living area has a fireplace where you can relax and entertain guests. Here, you will also have a view of the kitchen and informal dining area.

One focal point of this area is the granite topped table (staying) with a rich dark wooden base; overhead, is a very modern iron chandelier. Move on to the kitchen and you will appreciate the stainless appliances, beautiful decorator style cabinetry, granite countertops and large pantry. The view from the kitchen back into the living areas adds to the stylish appeal of this space! Continue through the kitchen to a smaller room with a built in granite topped desk and butler's pantry full of cabinets for bonus storage!

On the other side of the fireplace is the formal dining area. A wall of windows provides a view of the large backyard. Nearby is the informal living area. The hall by the kitchen will lead you to a half bath with decorative copper sink and modern lighting and three bedrooms.

The first two bedrooms are on the left. They share a Jack and Jill bathroom with separate sinks, granite countertops and dressing areas. In addition to cabinets on each side, they both have built-in dressers as well as walk-in closets. Across the hall is a third bedroom with a sitting area, walk-in closet and full bathroom. Out in the hall is a mudroom area for keeping shoes and coats in order.

On the other side of the house is the sequestered master suite! Relax and enjoy your brick fireplace with gas logs at the end of a cold day. Two walk-in closets (one with a dressing table) and built-in dressers will keep you organized while dual sinks provide each person their own space. Exterior doors lead to a large patio and detached game room/man cave and garage/shop.

The game room has a full bathroom, bar seating with kitchen and areas for play! Decorated for fun, this is a great getaway room! Sports, games and hobbies can all take place here! A spacious laundry room with a wall of storage cabinets and closet makes this chore a breeze. Another door leads to a large garage where there is a one car-garage door; however, another door could be added to make it a double.

Additional amenities to this home include: reverse osmosis system, security system, water softener, hardwood flooring, built-ins, automatic sprinkler, shop and detached game room.

By looking at the pictures of this home, you can tell it is well worth your time to hurry to the open house today from 1:30-3:00. Listed at $795,000, more information may be obtained from Roberta Aldridge, Real Estate One Midland (432) 683-3424. MLS#101287

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Lux Bathroom Updates to Change Your Space

Whether you're fixing up your new home, prepping to sell your existing space, or just looking to renovate, the following suggestions can take your bathroom to a whole new level.

Upgrade your vanity – Instead of a standard sink, try recycling an existing piece of furniture into a bathroom vanity by cutting a hole in the top of a beloved dresser or chest to drop in a sink and a faucet. Make sure the piece of furniture has ample storage space—drawers and cabinets are a must.

Curved shower rod – These rounded shower rods make your shower seem more open and airy, providing more space at a low cost.

Spa feel – An updated master bathroom is one of the most coveted features for buyers. Make your bathroom feel extra luxurious with added perks, like a rain-style shower head, extra fluffy white towels (so worth the splurge) and a vessel sink.

A skylight – Natural light does wonders for any room, and the bathroom is no different. If your home layout allows for it, try carving a skylight in your bathroom to flood the space with daylight while still allowing for privacy.

Innovative light fixtures – If you can't afford a skylight but still crave a well-lit bathroom, mix multiple light sources to create a balanced lighting plan. Consider recessed ceiling lights, a four-bulb vanity light fixture over the mirror and lights in the shower to really give the room a bright make-over.

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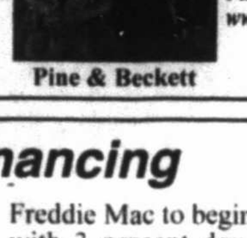

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FHA Financing

On Thursday, January 8, President Barack Obama laid out the administration's latest effort to breathe new life into the nation's housing market and increase the ranks of first-time buyers, now at a 27-year low. Effective January 26, the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) will lower the rate of the annual mortgage insurance premium paid on agency-backed 30-year fixed loans by a half percentage point, to 0.85 percent of the loan balance from the current 1.35 percent. The administration estimates that the decrease will trim a borrower's annual payment by $900 and enable 250,000 people to buy their first homes during the next three years. The reduction will only apply to new home loans and refinancings insured by the FHA. That means existing FHA-backed loans would need to be refinanced to receive the lower rate. Speaking at a school in Phoenix, Obama said the reduced premiums would spur home buying, lifting the market and home values. But he cautioned that the smaller premiums did not mean a return to lax home-lending standards.

The announcement signals the administration's desire to move beyond repairing the damage to growing the market and drew praise from real estate agents, lenders and housing advocates. The FHA announcement followed a policy change announced last month by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac to begin accepting mortgages with 3 percent down payments. Obama prefaced his announcement by recalling when he and wife, Michelle, bought their first home, a 2,000-square-foot condominium in Chicago. "I'll never forget the day we bought our first place," Obama said. "I have such good memories not just about the place itself, but all the work we had to do to save to get in there, and then to fix it up, and that sense of accomplishment that you were building something for your family and for your future." *Source: The Chicago Tribune* ***Note: if you are thinking about purchasing a home and were planning to use FHA financing--this is the time to act. Contact us to get the process started.***

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

How to find the next hot neighborhood

Everyone wants to live in a hip neighborhood, but buying in the cool part of town is expensive. These signs could point to next emerging area, so you can purchase a place before prices skyrocket.

Follow the train tracks

Transit hubs, light-rail stations, express-bus stops, commuter-rail expansion—access to mass transit tends to increase property desirability. Find out where transit expansion is planned and see which of those areas currently has lower demand for properties.

Look for dumpsters

Not every remodel means an area is poised to take off. But several projects in a tired neighborhood could indicate that people are confident the area is destined for better days.

Watch commercial construction

Developers don't put bars, boutiques, restaurants, and gyms in places where no one's going to use them. If you notice projects for trendy restaurants and other attractive businesses underway in one area, you might want to check out what's happening in housing nearby.

Get expert advice

Check out the local market trends for consumers at texasrealestate.com/research to see what's happening in your community. You can create your own housing market reports by ZIP code or subdivision, and then ask a local REALTOR® for help interpreting the data.

Be prepared for tradeoffs

A neighborhood transformation doesn't happen overnight. If you want to get in before prices take off, you have to buy when the area is still a work in progress. That could mean living next to dilapidated buildings while you wait for others to see the potential—and then enduring the noise and other disruptions from construction while improvements are made.

There's always risk when you purchase real estate, and none of these conditions or research guarantee a price appreciation. However, these signals, plus the guidance of a REALTOR®, can help you get closer to locating that up-and-coming area you're looking for.

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The inspector.

A professional inspector is a third party, independent of the transaction. He or she visually inspects and detects adverse conditions in a home. He or she investigates, operates and systematically identifies the major systems and components of the home. The inspector addresses health and safety issues, makes recommendations and counsels on repair options and maintenance. As a buyer, be prepared to attend the inspection. Professional inspectors will not perform or offer to perform any repairs to a home eliminating the potential for conflict of interest. Health and safety concerns, adverse conditions and required re-sale corrections are discussed and documented by the inspector. Issues can be anything from minor roof repairs to a fire hazard. An inspector is a trained generalist who identifies and sorts through the multitude or major systems and components, meeting state required "physical condition disclosure" requirements.

The inspection report.

The inspector's report is an important tool in Real Estate transactions. It is the only document that details the product being bought and sold. Once conditions are defined, it is up to the buyer to decide if the current condition of the home will meet their financial and family needs. The buyer decides what is acceptable and what is not. Sellers are not required to make the corrections, although re-negotitions are often the result of facts documented at the inspection. It is information needed to make some educated business decisions.

Inspections are not just for buyers.

Home sellers need a professional inspection and report to protect themselves from liability of future non-disclosure claims. A pre-listing inspection also provides sellers with appropriate condition information, used to price and prepare their home for sale. The report helps in marketing to potential buyers, providing up-front information to determine if maintaining this home will meet their financial position.

Home inspections are not intrusive or technically exhaustive and should not be considered a guarantee of warranty. It is the best information and protections available at an affordable cost. The Home Inspection process meets the mandatory condition disclosure requirements of Real Estate.

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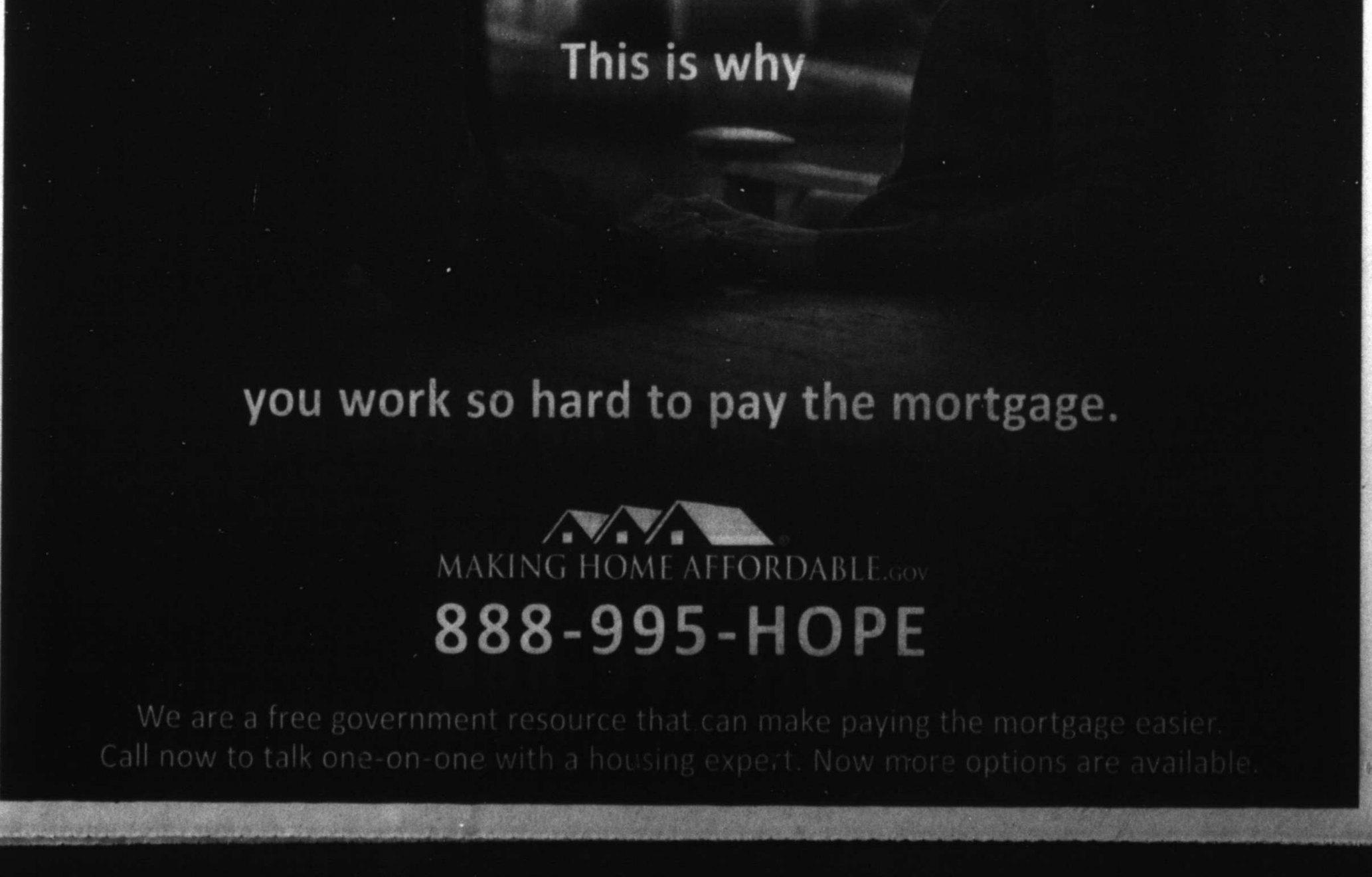

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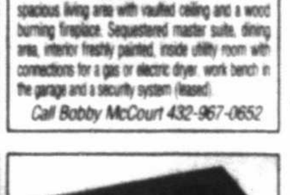

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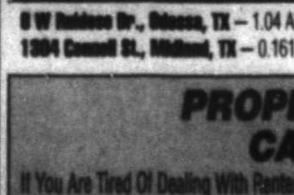

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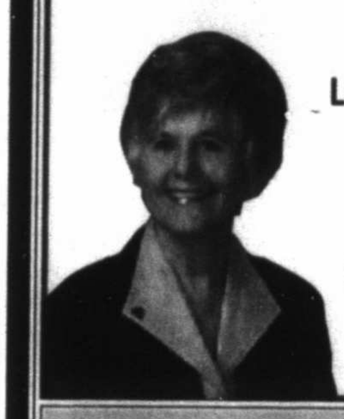

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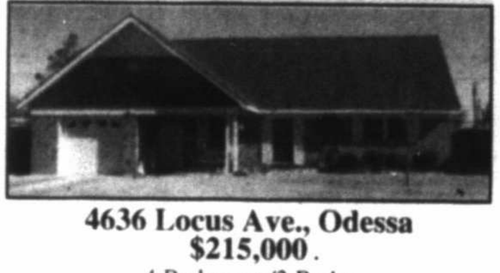

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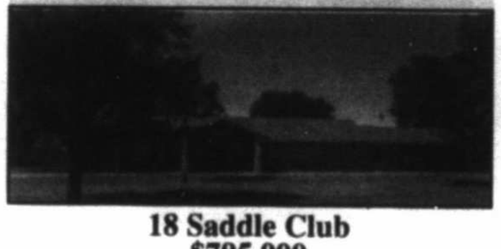

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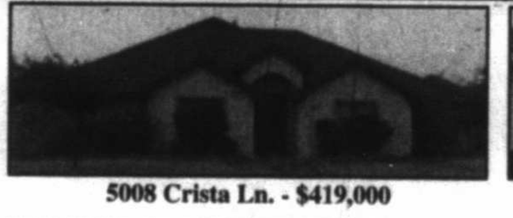

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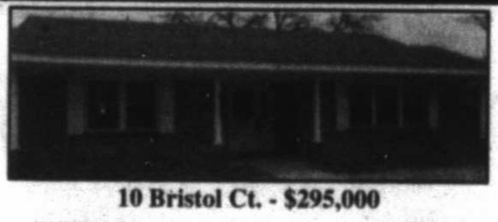

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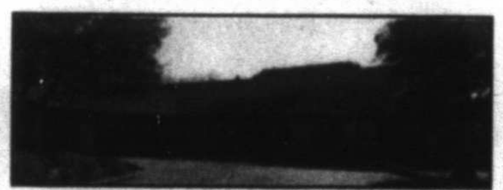

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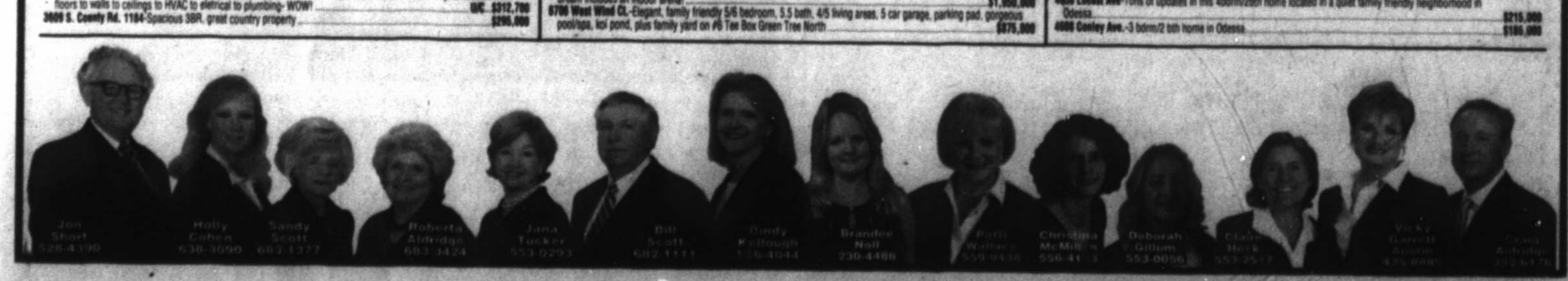

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4+ BEDROOMS

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6004 W Cr Rd 40 - 4 Bedroom, 3.5 Bath, Secluded Estate Away From the World! Gourmet Kitchen, Viking Wine Fridge, 2 Living +Study & HUGE Workout Room. Master Suite w/its Own Fireplace! 8+ ACRES. Gorgeous Stable for 8 Horses, 4 Water Wells. Too Much To List! Call Norma for Private Showing ..... **Now Listing! $1,125,000**

5 La Promesa, Odessa - 4 Bedroom, 4.5 bath, Super Floor Plan, Double Master Bedrooms, Full Outdoor Kitchen & Fireplace! Gourmet Kitchen, TOO MUCH TO LIST! Call Chris for a Private Showing! ..... **Now Construction! $1,100,000**

6406 Mockingbird - 5 Bedroom, 5 Bath, Gorgeous French Country Design! Brand New Floor Plan by Summit Home! High End Finishes, Upgraded Appliance Package, Granite, Plantation Shutters, 3 Car Oversized Garage!... ..... **Now Construction! $1,060,000**

8203 S Co Rd 1085 - 5 Bedroom, 6.5 Bath on 32.58 ACRES!!! Valuable Land Opportunity and Massive Sized Estate! Energy Efficient, Wind Turbine, Party Venue, Barn, Shop! Call Chris for more details! ..... **Now Listing! $649,900**

8017 Mile Walk - 4 Bedroom, 3.5 Bath, Designer's Choice Home! Huge Open Plan, High Ceilings, Gourmet Kitchen, Sparkling Pool, Outdoor Kitchen, Guest House! Too To Much To Last! THIS ONE WON'T LAST!!! Call Norma! ..... **Now Listing! $599,000**

2501 Homeland - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Another Spectacular McPherson Home! Loaded w/Goodies! Still Time to Make Selections! Est. Completion July 2015 ..... **Now Construction! $917,000**

2913 Hazelwood - 5 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 3 Living, 4 Car Garage, Another Stunning NEW McPherson Home! ..... **Sale Pending! $815,000**

7801 Trenton - 4 Bedroom, 3.5 Bath in Saddle Club Ranch Estates! Builder's Own Home!!! Sparkling Pool, Outdoor Fireplace, Cabana! 40x60 Shop! 3 Water Wells on 2 ACRES! New Listing! **$595,000**

4520 Sand Tree - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Outstanding Morris Home on the Golf Course in Green Tree North! Walls of Windows, Huge Skylights, 3 Fireplaces & So Much More! ..... **New Listing! $595,000**

11400 W Co Rd 62 - 4 Bedroom, 3.5 Bath, Show House Perfection! Country Setting on 2.3 Acres! All the Bells & Whistles!!! ..... **New Construction! $499,500**

2913 Edgehaven - 4 Bedroom, 3.5 Bath, 3 Living, Open Plan, HUGE Rooms w/Fabulous Party Pool Room!!! Gorgeous Pool w/3 Water Falls & Hot Tub! ..... **New Price! $499,000**

6601 Hazelwood - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, New Floor Plan by Almand Construction! Patio Style Home for EASY Maintenance! This One is LOADED! Est. Completion March 2015 - ..... **New Construction! $499,000**

1208 Harvard - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Completely Renovated Home in OLD Midland! Space Galore, High End Finishes, Granite, Travertine! Dry Sauna & More! ..... **New Price! $439,000**

5407 Hillcrest - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 Living, Designer's Choice in Grassland Estates! Ultra Rich Design, Granite, Stone Accents, Deco Lighting! Don't Miss This Jewel!!! ..... **New Price! $429,000**

25 Durham, Odessa - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Gorgeous NEW Rosas Home! Custom Accents, Faux Texture Treatments! This One is Heavy Loaded! Est. Completion March 2015 ..... **New Construction! $427,500**

2824 Auburn - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, EXTREME MAKEOVER! SUBSTANTIAL MONEY SPENT! Loaded w/High End Finishes! Dream Home! Pool! ..... **New Listing! $309,900**

5603 S Co Rd 1080 - 4 Bedroom, 3.5 Bath on over 8 ACRES!!! Beautifully updated, unique architectural details. 1800sqft Shop! ..... **New Listing! $595,000**

3204 Fairfield - 4 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, Beautiful 2013 Resale Home in Mayfield Place! This One's LOADED! Upgrades, Crown molding, Shutters! ..... **New Price! $305,000**

4413 Guadalupe - 4 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, Brand NEW Construction in Los Patios! Still Time to Make Selections. Est. Completion May 2015 ..... **New Construction! $379,900**

1600 S Co Rd 1085 - 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Great Find in Greenwood on 9½ ACRES! Granite, Beautiful Flooring, Sequestered Master! ..... **New Price! $329,000**

3234 W Shandon - 4 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, Stunning Completely Renovated Home in Forest! Granite, Stainless Tile Backsplash! A Must Show in This Price Range!!! ..... **New Listing! $259,000**

2 & 3 BEDROOMS

4307 Saltillo - 3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, Beautiful New AGA Home, Huge Open Plan w/High Ceilings! Located on a Quiet Cul-de-sac in Los Patios. Est. Completion Feb. 2015. **New Construction! $412,000**

5700 Carmel Ct - 3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, Beautiful Scenic Signature Home Resale in Los Patios! Like New w/Many Outstanding High End Finishes! ..... **New Price! $377,000**

2101 Chelsea - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath in a Quiet Cul-de-sac in Mayfield Place! 2014 Veatch Resale! Shows Like a New Home! Granite Throughout. Custom Cabinets!!! A Must See! ..... **New Listing! $299,900**

4308 Parkside - 3 Bedroom, 3 Bath, AMAZING! Their house or decided out! w/crown moldings, shutters, granite, tile flooring! Dream kitchen: completely remodeled bathrooms! ..... **Sale Pending! $299,900**

3301 Standen - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath. This One Is LOADED! Granite, Marble, Shutters, Crown Molding, Faux Finishes! So Much More! ..... **Sale Pending! $245,000**

1401 McDonald - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bathroom, Cool Corner Lot House! 2nd Living w/Endless Possibilities! Wet! House! Superior Pricing!!! ..... **New Price! $219,900**

2101 Abbey - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath. Fantastic Value on the Cleanest Home now on the Market! Move In Condition, Open Plan. Miles of Tile! ..... **Sale Pending! $204,900**

800 W Michigan - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath. Spacious 2 Living, 2 Dining, over 2,300sqft! Close to Downtown! AS IS SALE. Renovation Ready! ..... **New Price! $199,000**

600 E Estes - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2 Car Garage. Beautifully Detailed New Home! Estimated Completion February 2015! ..... **New Price! $189,500**

4510 Storey - 3 Bedroom, 1.5 Bathrooms, Super Cute & Clean!!! Spacious Master. Tons of Storage. Updated Baths!!! FHA Ready! ..... **Sale Pending! $149,900**

3221 Mariana - 3 Bedroom, 1 Bath, 2 living,wraps brick fireplace. Cute house updated central heat and air, bonus room in back!!! ..... **Sale Pending! $149,900**

4510 Erie - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath in WILSHIRE HEIGHTS! Fabulous Bonus Room. Shed. AND Workshop! **$59,9/ $135,000**

1320 N Fairgrounds - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Like New Oversized 2014 Mobil Home! Lot rental is $365/month or move to your own location! ..... **New Listing! $79,900**

COMMERCIAL/LOTS/ACREAGE

2900 N Co Rd 1150 - Main Shop is 50'x140' w/Insulated bay doors w/one office & 1 1/2 bath! 2nd building has 4 separate shops! 11,800 sqft ..... **New Price! $850,000**

3501 Silly Heat Rd., Odessa - Fabulous Pad Site in Eastridge Office Park! Anchor Location! Call Chris for more details! ..... **New Price! $425,000**

100 Solomon Lane - 2.02 ACRES in Mission Properties. Perfect to Build Estate Home! Call Norma for more details ..... **New Listing! $300,000**

1017 County Rd 1060 - Build Your Dream Home! Greenwood School District!!! 21.51 ACRES. Water Well, Septic, & Electric! Call Sabrina for details! ..... **New Listing! $279,900**

Scharbauer Dr. - Investor Opportunity! 4 Lots Sold in package. 1201-1207 Scharbauer Dr. Owner will not subdivide. Ready to Build! May require flood insurance ..... **Lots! $85,000**

5540 E Penny, Gardendale - Build your dream home on 2 Acres! Or Great Investment Opportunity! Oversized Water Tap in place per seller. Cash Only ..... **Acreage! $55,000**

405 & 407 E Wadley - CALLING ALL BUILDERS,Vacant Lots! Prime Spot to BUILD!!! No Restrictions! Call Chris for details! ..... **Lots! $50,000/each**

E County Rd. 60 - Lots Available! Horses Allowed, No Mineral Rights, Mobil & Modular Homes Allowed! ..... **Call Rod! 349-8149**

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FEATURED LISTINGS

3101 SEABOARD — $309,900 — Beautifully renovated/updated corner lot in sought-after MaMar Terrace!

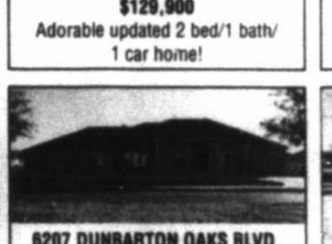
UNDER CONTRACT

4209 HARLOWE — $129,900 — Adorable updated 2 bed/1 bath/ 1 car home!

1808 MISSOURI — $299,900 — Lovely home across from museum of the Southwest! 3 bed/2 ba/2 half ba & 3 living areas!

UNDER CONTRACT

14 AUBURN — $299,900 — Beautiful! Spacious 4 bed, 3.5 ba, 2 gar on a quiet cul-de-sac!



6207 DUNBARTON OAKS BLVD. — $1,400,000 — Spectacular New construction by Troy Hunt Homes 5 bed, 5 bath. 4 car garage w/ a Gameroom in Mockingbird Oaks!

4428 ROOSEVELT — $174,900 — Spacious 3 bedroom home on corner lot w/carport, workshop & water well!

3112 BOTTICELLI AVE. — $299,900 — Wonderful, move in ready 3bed. 1.5Ba home! Like new construction w/upgrades.

3529 IMPERIAL — $209,900 — Fabulous! Updated 3 bed/2 bath/2 car in an established neighborhood!

UNDER CONTRACT

2209 S. CO. RD. 1086 — $315,000 — Fabulous custom home in greenwood on .41 Acres! 3Bed/2ba/2gar & circle drive!

UNDER CONTRACT

4321 DOUGLAS — $175,000 — Cute, cute! 3 bed, 2 bath, 2 garage! Move in ready!

UNDER CONTRACT

5308 MATHIS — $385,000 — Wonderful 4 bed, 3 ba, 3 car garage in Greathouse!

UNDER CONTRACT

3516 HYDE PARK — $209,900 — Spacious 3 bed, 2 bath, 2 car in established neighborhood!

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SUNDAY OPEN HOUSE

OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 1:00 TO 2:00

5603 Rio Grande-NEW - Immaculate Rich Hollimon by Jack Cunningham! Perfect Start Up! Garage Door home in Holiday Hill Village! Close to Scharbauer Elementary! Ideal Kitchen w/Breakfast bar! Gated den w/ high ceilings! Master w/ double sinks, separate shower and jetted tub! Two living areas, water softener and security system! Covered patio w/ entertaining backyard! Great curb appeal! **$279,900**

5303 Crenshaw - Wonderfully spacious 4 bed 2 bath/ 2 car garage. Hard surface flooring throughout! Formal Grand master suite with soaking tub, separate tiled shower w/ his and her's closets!! Lovely formal dining room to patio which had to be new! Huge, back yard with large parking pad! Abundant light from walls of windows and skylights! **$279,900**

4800 ECR 01 Spectacular - 5 bed/4.5 bath/3 living/ media, study, great room/ 3 car garage/ 2 story home sits on 2.7 acres with a dazzling swimming pool, spa, and fantastic hot tub! All concrete and tile flooring downstairs! Sequestered master suite/ 2 water wells! **$749,900**

4704 Westbrook Drive-NEW - Spectacular 4 bed/ 2 bath custom home with 2 living areas, formal dining area/ 3 car garage home nestled on a quiet street in Westbrook! Walls of windows! Custom cabinetry, granite, stainless steel appliances, stunning tile flooring throughout! Soaking tub upstairs with an office to the side! Sequestered master suite with separate tub and shower! Walks to elementary school! Call Chris for more details! **$279,900**

4814 Reata Trace-NEW - Live on Green Tree North course! A look 4ft in this 4bed/3bath/2liv/2dine/3car/in-law plan! Leg entrance to office/study/game room! Lots of natural lighting great you in this lovely large home filled w/gorgeous wood flooring throughout! Kitchen w/ island, custom cabinets! Pre-plumb huge lay master & master bath w/ walk thru shower! Bedrooms & spaces are large!!! Car w/ great parking! **$549,900**

OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 4:00 TO 5:00

4105 Fairwood-NEW - Fabulous 4 bed/ 2 bath home with 2 living areas, miles of tile and fresh paint! Sequestered master bedroom! Updated kitchen w/ newer appliances! Formal dining room! Lots of recent updates & beautiful back yard with extended covered patio and fruit trees! **$279,900**

4100 Fairwood-NEW - Fabulous 4 bed/ 2 bath home with 2 living areas, miles of tile and fresh paint! Sequestered master bedroom! Updated kitchen w/ newer appliances! Formal dining room! Lots of recent updates & beautiful back yard with extended covered patio and fruit trees! **$279,900**

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3501 County Rd. 84-LAKE BRADY/BRADY - Spectacular 2011 Brownwood lake custom 4 bed/3.5 bath home on 37 acres! **$675,000**

5629 Ashwood Ct. - One-owner 4 bed/2.5 bath Edgewood home sits on a quiet cul-de-sac on a huge almost flat acre lot! Downstairs master bedroom has dual sinks, 2 closets, separate shower and tub! Great open downstairs floor plan! Family room with fireplace, breakfast area and kitchen with 2 gas cooktops and large pantry! **$264,900**

4814 Reata Trace-NEW-Live on Green Tree North course! A look 4ft in this 4bed/3bath/2liv/2dine/3car/in-law plan! Leg entrance to office/study/game room! Let the high ceilings & natural lighting greet you in this lovely large home filled w/gorgeous wood flooring throughout! Kitchen w/ island, custom cabinets! Pre-plumb huge lay master & master bath w/ walk thru shower! Bedrooms & spaces are large!!! Car w/ great parking! **$549,900**

4+ BEDROOMS

1709 W. Illinois Ave.-NEW - Absolutely stunning 3 bed 3.5 bath home with 2 huge living areas, extremely updated(STAS) with w/ guest house with 2 bed/1 bath and 2nd living area (STAS) and 2 car garage! Well Decorated home with entertaining back yard and mature trees! **$479,900**

5507 San Clemente Dr. - Fabulous 4 bed/3 bath new construction home in Los Patios by Jon Morgan Homes! ..... **SOLD! $451,000**

4800 Parkside - Stately 4 bed/2.5 bath/2 car garage home on Green Tree North! Laminate wood floors in the living and bedrooms! ..... **SOLD! $449,900**

4709 Westbrook Drive-NEW-Spectacular 4 bed/ 2 bath custom home with 2 living areas, formal dining area/ 3 car garage home nestled on a quiet street in Westbrook! Walls of windows! Custom cabinetry, granite, stainless steel appliances, stunning tile flooring throughout! Soaking tub upstairs with an office to the side! Sequestered master suite with separate tub and shower! Walks to elementary school! Call Chris for more details! **$279,900**

5400 Rockwood Circle - Spacious 4 bed/3 bath home sits on a large corner lot in Green Tree! Wood shutters throughout! Tile in the walkways, kitchen and chandelier cabinets, island, and desk! Master suite with jetted bathtub! Call Lori garage and water well! **$375,000**

4011 S. Co. Rd. 1172-NEW-Awesome home minutes away from downtown! Gorgeous 4 bed/2.5 Bath/4 car garage brick home on 2 acres! Large tile throughout living areas! Lovely austin stone fireplace in huge living! Stunning ceilings and upgrades! Gourmet open kitchen w/ custom cabinets, island, granite, stainless steel appliances, and pantry! Master suite with jetted tub, dual sinks, and separate shower! Private in gorgeous, quiet area! Call Chris for more details! **$374,900**

5200 Scharbauer Dr. - Spectacular 4 bed/3 bath home in Hogan Park! Gourmet kitchen with granite countertops, stainless steel appliances, an island, & open floor plan! Master suite with jetted tub, separate shower, and his and her's closets! Call Chris for more details! **$364,900**

3110 Belhaven-NEW-Spectacular! Wonderful open kitchen/dining and living floor plan! Spacious kitchen has granite countertops/ Stone fireplace and crown molding throughout! Stunning loft upstairs with an office to the side! Sequestered master suite with separate tub and shower! Walks to elementary school! Call Chris for more details! **$349,900**

5300 Crenshaw- Wonderfully spacious 4 bed/ 2 bath/ 2 car garage. Hard surface flooring throughout and hunter/ Grand master suite with soaking tub, separate tiled shower w/ his and her's closets!! Lovely formal dining room to patio which had to be new! Huge, back yard with large parking pad! Abundant light from walls of windows and skylights! **$279,900**

1201 Pecos St. - Terrific 4 bed/2 bath home with 2 living areas, miles of tile and fresh paint! Sequestered master bedroom! Updated kitchen w/ newer appliances! Formal dining room! Lots of recent updates & beautiful back yard with extended covered patio! ..... **SOLD! $295,000**

1417 Pacific Ave- Absolutely fabulous 4 bed/ 2 bath home with 2 living areas, miles of tile and fresh paint! Sequestered master bedroom! ..... **SOLD! $279,900**

1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS

3308 Cord Dr.-Lovely 3 bed/2 bath patio home with 2 private patios in the heart of Midland! Updated kitchen with granite countertops! **$140,000**

2801 Rowe-NEW-Absolutely spectacular! Spacious! 2013 built home w/kitchen & dining opening to living room! Hard front yard & landscaped! ..... **U/C $250,000**

2804 Rowe-NEW-Spectacular low maintenance! 3rd home! 3 bed/2 bath home has spacious bedrooms, plus a bonus room! ..... **U/C $250,000**

4711 Cielo Plaza-NEW-Spacious! Light and bright! Cul-de-sac home near Hogan elementary! Corner lot and updates in prior village! Inexpensive! Inside with separate shower and bath tub open to rear bath & of bedroom! Wet bar in living room! Great home for entertaining! Open patio with dog run! This house is must see! **$229,900**

2500 Country Club- Spectacular updated 3 bed/ 2 bath/ 2 car garage! Enormous living room with lovely dining/ kitchen concepts/ kitchen with granite counter tops, stainless steel appliances and tons of storage! Hardwood floors throughout and 1st floor laundry! Fabulous master suite with jetted tub, separate shower and his and her's closets! Large, fenced backyard with covered patio! **$219,500**

2104 S. Fernwood Drive-Fabulous 3 bed/2 bath home with 2 car garage! Den and spacious living room is kitchen with high ceilings! ..... **U/C $209,900**

3605 ECR 1150-Move into this nice! brick 3 bed/2bath/ home that sits on 2 fenced in acres! Living area! ..... **SOLD $194,900**

1401 Carol Cranmer Rd-Spacious 3 bed/2 bath home with bathroom sits on a large corner lot! See fireplace and built-ins! ..... **SOLD $194,900**

4414 W Bungar Avenue-NEW-Charming 3 bed/2 bath house in many updates located in great neighborhood! Brick exterior, air conditioner! Updated kitchen with granite counters! Hardwood floors in bedrooms, gas log fireplace in living room! Fenced backyard with covered patio! **$179,900**

1 Bdrm Apartment-Located in back next to entertaining! Updates galore! Wet! Bonus room! Inexpensive! Bonus & bedroom 2011! Sprinkler! Inexpensive! Fenced, new paint! Nice, quiet & countryfied in north baths, amazing pantry w lots of space, center isle fence & storage shed w/ electric! **$199,900**

4712 Tucker Lane-Beautiful 3 bed/ 2 bath home in a quiet cul-de-sac! Low owner and well-maintained! ..... **SOLD $196,900**

2914 E. Pine-Absolutely spectacular! 3 bed/2 bath/ new updates throughout! Fabulous kitchen with granite & tons of cabinets! ..... **SOLD $175,000**

701 S. Lincoln-NEW- Absolutely spectacular new construction from J. C. Homes! Fabulous kitchen with granite, tons of cabinets and large open living/ dining area! Fabulous master suite with jetted tub, separate shower and his and her's closets! Large, fenced backyard with covered patio! Call Chris for more details! **$179,000**

4011 -E S.R 1172-Awesome home minutes away from downtown! Gorgeous 3 bed/2 bath/ 2 car garage brick home on 2 acres! Large tile throughout living areas! Lovely austin stone fireplace in huge living! Stunning ceilings and upgrades! Gourmet open kitchen w/ custom cabinets, granite, stainless steel appliances, and pantry! Master suite with jetted tub, dual sinks, and separate shower! Private in gorgeous, quiet area! Call Chris for more details! **$374,900**

NEW — **1305 E. Pennsylvania Ave.**-Fabulous 3 bed/2 bath new construction from C.J. Homes! Kitchen with granite & tons of cabinets! ..... **SOLD $160,000**

1305 E. Pennsylvania Ave.-Fabulous 3 bed/2 bath new construction from C.J. Homes! Kitchen with granite & tons of cabinets! Spacious 3 bed/ 2 bath sits on a large lot in a quiet neighborhood! Walks to new parks and schools! Living room has wood floors throughout! Kitchen with granite counters, custom cabinetry and breakfast bar! Master suite with jetted tub, separate shower and his and her's closets! Large, fenced backyard with covered patio! Call Chris for more details! **$160,000**

700 Kinston St.-Cutie! Cute! Cute! 3 bed/1 Bath home with 2 living areas! The 2nd living area makes a great game room! ..... **SOLD $109,000**

COMMERCIAL/LAND/LOTS

4101 E County Rd. 1247 - RV Park with 2 bathroom and 2 carport RV spaces with water and sewer hookups! 2 bedroom 1 bath manager's residence with kitchen, laundry facilities, and entertainment area! Entire park has AC system! Great investment! **$2,200,000**

1910 Huntington Ln. - 2 tracts of land at NE corner of Penn Field-next to Saddle Club Estates! Total land is 2.274 acres! Under deed restrictions! Tract 1 is 1.137 acres! Tract 2 is 1.137 acres! **$749,900**

10237 W County Road, Midland Texas 79707- Great Industrial Location! 2 acre tract of land on corner. Conveniently located off I-20. Property is zoned Industrial. Fenced and secured with 2 entrance gates. Ideal for storage of oilfield trucks and equipment. Property is currently leased to a local oilfield company. Lease expires in 2016. Call for more information. **$1,000,000**

3200 W. County Rd. 148 - 8.5 ac for residential purposes only! Mobile home is allowed with underground Water and 1/5 GPM. ½ pump **$132,000**

2201 Timber Wolf Lane - Build in Midland's newest subdivision, Timber Wolf Estates! Roads will be paved by developer! 25 ..... **$75,000**

2101 Timber Wolf Lane - Build in Midland's newest subdivision, Timber Wolf Estates! Roads will be paved by developer! 25 ..... **$75,000**

2301 Timber Wolf Lane - Build in Midland's newest subdivision, Timber Wolf Estates! Roads will be paved by developer! 25 ..... **$75,000**

Cutter Estates – Build on Scarbrough's newest subdivision! Cutter Estates! Approximately .75 acre lots! $25,000 per lot! 16 ..... **$25,000**

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SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES

OPEN 1:00-2:00 — 5800 RIO GRANDE AVE. — $285,000 — Shown by Laura Camp

OPEN 2:00-3:00 — 2525 CANARIS — $275,000 — Shown by Raquel Colvin Dixon

OPEN 2:00-4:00 — 707 BURLESON, STANTON — $195,000 — Shown by Mr. Richard Team

OPEN 2:00-4:00 — 708 BURLESON, STANTON — $195,000 — Shown by Mr. Richard Team

New Listings

4100 Lynnwood Dr. - $362,500 — Call Bill Lanier 682-1144/Raquel Colvin Dixon 638-4321

4210 E. County Rd. 1160 - $1,100,000 — Call Bill Lanier 682-1144/Raquel Colvin Dixon 638-4321

3300 King Ranch - $1,100,000 — Call Bill Lanier 682-1144/Raquel Colvin Dixon 638-4321

3700 Rio Grande - $1,100,000 — Call Kay Sutton 528-0101

5707 Rolland - $1,100,000 — Call Bill Lanier 682-1144/Raquel Colvin Dixon 638-4321

4701 Rio Grande - $1,100,000 — Call Kay Sutton 528-0101

4304 Rio Grande - $1,100,000 — Call Kay Sutton 528-0101

**4304 E. 8th St., Odessa

REAL ESTATE

Ending benchmark 30-year fixed mortgage rate for 2014, down from 4.69 in 2013.

Source: Bankrate.com

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TO FLIP OR NOT TO FLIP?

QUESTION:

I am 58 years old and have always been interested in looking at flipping a few houses to supplement my retirement. I have not flipped a house before. I would pull money out of a retirement fund to initially make a down payment and pay for repairs/updates to the house. My question to you is: How does a person get started in this endeavor, and at this stage in my life would it be too risky?

ANSWER:

Flipping real estate has long been an alluring way to make money, but flipping is hardly a sure thing.

"Investors averaged a gross profit of $75,990 per flip on homes flipped in the third quarter of 2014," said RealtyTrac, a national supplier of real estate data and information, "a 36 percent gross return on the initial investment – not including rehab costs and other expenses. The average gross return was up from 35 percent in the second quarter but down from 37 percent a year ago." (Disclosure: I write editorial content for RealtyTrac.)

Given that certificates of deposit and savings accounts now have returns, which are often close to zero, the idea of a 36 percent return seems enticing. However, the report correctly refers to the "gross return" – the profit before expenses.

Imagine that you want to buy a property for $135,000 and hope to sell for $210,000. Let's look at some questions:

Will the local neighborhood support the higher price? What if interest rates rise?

If you don't sell the property can it be rented? For how much?

If a good candidate property becomes available who will get it – you or well established developers and contractors?

Who will do the repair work, you or someone you pay? If you do the work what's the value of your time? Do you have the skills to rehab a home? Do you have a realistic repair budget – and reserves if something goes wrong?

The money used to acquire the home and pay for repairs has a real cost: the return not being earned elsewhere. Another cost is the potential for a loss of capital if the flip does not work out. How long will it take to acquire, repair, sell and close the property?

How much will it cost to sell the property? Think of brokerage fees and closing costs.

If you do make a profit how much will you pay in taxes?

Flips today represent about 4 percent of all existing home sales according to RealtyTrac, but they're not for everyone. It takes a lot of practical skills, plus marketplace savvy to make flips work. Some luck doesn't hurt, either.

I cannot suggest that you enter the flipping marketplace without substantial home improvement and real estate experience, especially if your idea is to fund such projects with retirement money. The risk for professionals is large; the risk for non-professionals is enormous.

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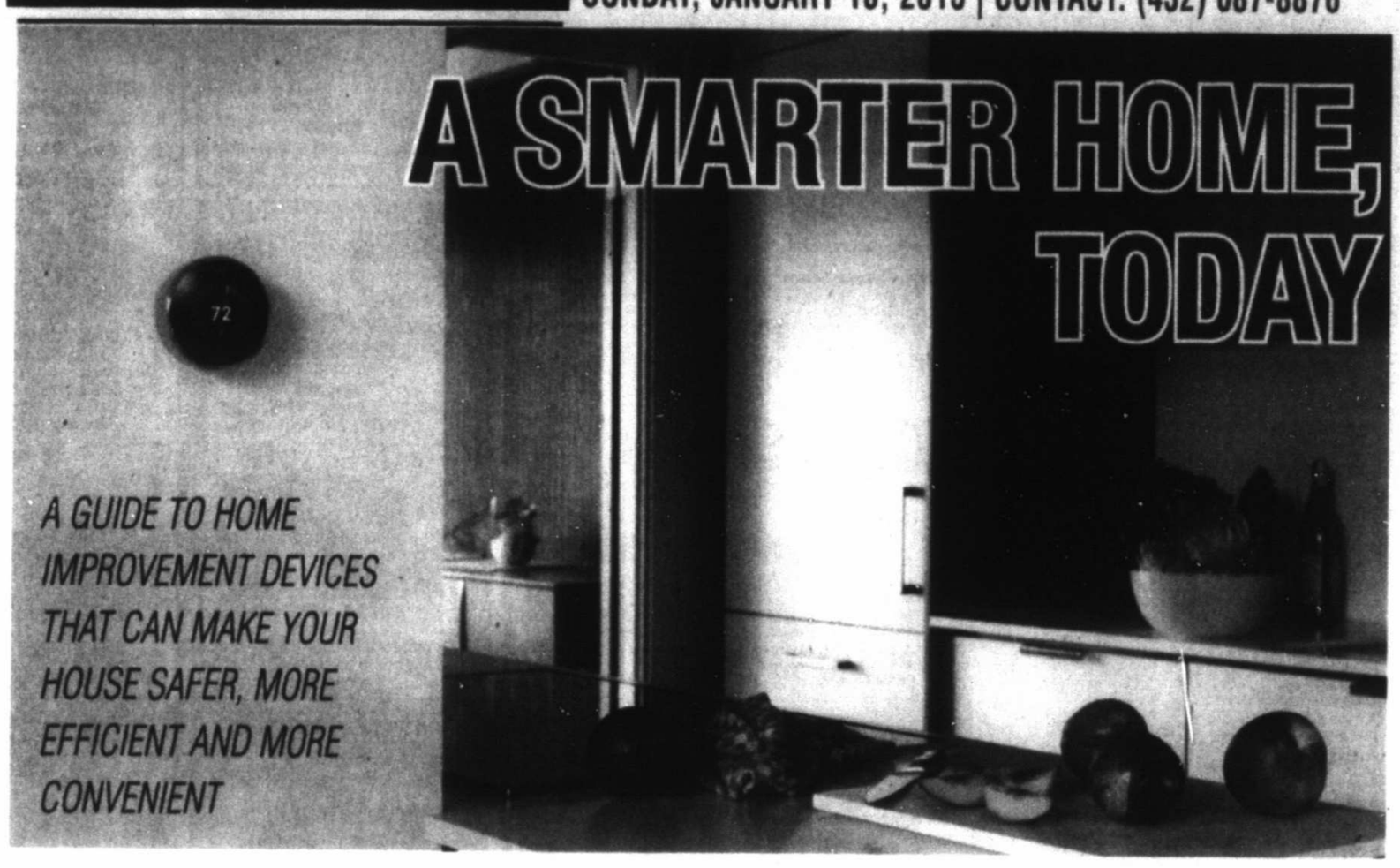

By ERIK J. MARTIN
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They say you're only as smart as the company you keep – or the home you equip with smart technology.

Indeed, homeowners today are enhancing their abode's IQ by adding an increasing array of smart systems and devices designed to save money and provide greater convenience and peace of mind via automation and wireless capabilities.

Consider that 46 percent of consumers recently polled by ERA Real Estate and HGTV revealed that it was important for their current or next residence to have smart home technology. What's more, 51 percent indicated they would consider implementing such equipment in their home to appeal to future buyers.

"More consumers are looking to smart home technology because it has the potential to increase savings, safety and resale value in their homes, giving them an edge in today's competitive market," says Charlie Young, president/CEO of ERA Real Estate, a global real estate franchiser headquartered in Madison, New Jersey. "We learned in our survey that most people who have smart home technology are focused on saving money through automated climate control, energy management, remote home monitoring, and lighting control systems."

Ryan Thewes, a residential architect in Nashville, says traditionally, smart home systems were expensive and needed to be installed during home construction to provide full integration. "But the smartphone really opened up the door for a large amount of products that would eventually start bringing the cost of smart home technology down and allow it to be implemented in existing older homes," Thewes says.

Here, Sean Williams, a St. Petersburg, Florida-based architect with OT9 Design, lists five smart home innovations to consider, each of which can each be built into a new construction property or retrofitted into an existing residence. (Cost estimate do not include installation.):

1. Wi-Fi/learning Thermostat

Examples: Nest, ecobee3, Honeywell Lyric

Benefits: Automatically learns your climate preferences and schedule, programs itself and can be smartphone-controlled.

Cost: $250 and up (not including installation).

Return on investment: Can pay for itself in as early as three to six months.

Installation: Can be installed by a do-it-yourselfer or pro.

2. Efficient Lighting Control System

Example: Philips' hue, which includes LED lights, router-linked bridge device, and app/online portal

Benefits: Lights that last up to 50,000 hours, can be programmed easily, and contribute little to no heat.

Cost: $200 and up

ROI: 12 months or longer

Installation: DIY or pro.

3. Wireless Deadbolt Lock

Examples: Schlage Camelot Touchscreen, Kwikset Kevo

Benefits: Allows you to lock/unlock and custom program v your smartphone.

Cost: $200 and up.

ROI: No cost savings, but bette security.

Installation: DIY or pro.

4. Whole-Home Automation

Examples: Wink, WeMo, or Revolv.

Benefits: Automate all your smart-enabled devices using one system via touchscreen/app/hub

Cost: $80 to $300+

ROI: 3 to 18 months, depenc ing on energy usage.

Installation: Professional recommended.

5. Garage Door Opener with MyQ technology

Examples: Chamberlain and LiftMaster offer MyQ openers

Benefits: Can open/close garage door from anywhere ar text you a warning if you left the door open.

Cost: $250 and up

ROI: No cost savings, but bet ter security.

Installation: DIY or pro.

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BUYING

TECH AND THE HOUSE HUNT

Increased technology use during the buying process is creating a more confident homebuyer

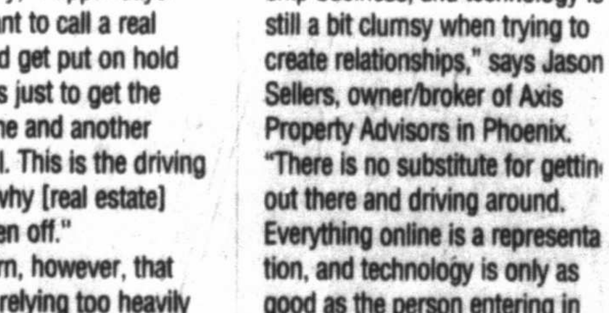
It's little surprise that home hunters are increasingly turning to their tablets, smartphones and desktops to help them find the ideal property for sale. But the extent to which they rely on these tech tools – and the benefits they perceive from using them – may be greater than expected, judging from the results of a recent Discover Home Loans survey.

The poll found that 76 percent and 69 percent of homebuyers, respectively, feel using technology during the homebuying process has made them smarter and more confident. Additionally the poll found:

• 89 percent of buyers employ some form of online technology to aid them in that process.

• 92 percent and 47 percent reported that using technology saved them time and money, respectively.

"Technology has enabled people to research homes and then decide which ones they'd like to see in person, saving them time," says Bridget Frey, senior vice president of engineering for Redfin in Seattle. Frey also cites another recent study by the National Association of Realtors that shows 43 percent of homebuyers make looking online for properties the first step in the homebuying process. "Real estate websites have made it easy for homebuyers to find properties that match their criteria, enabling them to do much of the research on their own."



Sissy Lappin, co-founder of ListingDoor in Houston, agrees.

"We're living in a world where people want information instantaneously," Lappin says. They don't want to call a real estate firm and get put on hold for 15 minutes just to get the price of a home and another number to call. This is the driving force behind why [real estate] sites have taken off."

Experts warn, however, that the danger of relying too heavily on technology when searching for a home is that websites and apps tend to create a false expectation that finding a home is a less complex process than it often is.

"Real estate is still a relationship business, and technology is still a bit clumsy when trying to create relationships," says Jason Sellers, owner/broker of Axis Property Advisors in Phoenix. "There is no substitute for gettin out there and driving around. Everything online is a representa tion, and technology is only as good as the person entering in the information you see."

— Erik J. Mart

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Shown by Skeet Doss 352-4826

OPEN 1:30-2:30
6516 GLADIOLA
Great home on 1.7 acres built in 2011. Awesome workshop w/RV parking.
Shown by Deborah Pierce 889-2469

OPEN 2:30-3:30
4509 TEAKWOOD
Wonderful find in Green Tree. 3 large bdrms, 2 1/2 baths, courtyard. Huge master suite, updates throughout.
Shown by Skeet Doss 352-4826

NEW & ACTIVE LISTINGS

11508 WCR 39 - 5 bd, 4 ½ ba, 4 liv, 2 din, pool, 10.8 AC $3,500,000
30 Ac. Mockingbird Lane-11 platted lots, 2+ acres each $1,900,000
727 Solomon - 3 acres prime location 2bd, 2 1/2ba, huge bonus room, barn, well $999,999
523 Carol Lane-6 bd, 4 bath, pool, barn on approx. 3 ac off Solomon Ln $799,000
4116 Baybrook Dr.-Amazing find! Mockingbird Heights, 5 bd, 3 1/2ba, tons of extras. Pool, cabana & so much more $600,000
4433 Verde Glen Ct.-Green Tree North, 4bd, 3ba, 3LA, 3 garage $579,900
299 S. Seventh, Barnhart, Tx. - 100' frontage access to Hwy. 163 . $549,900
6516 Gladiola-3 bed, 3.5 bath on 1.7AC w/wonderful workshop! RV parking $499,900
South CR 1140 - 24 Acres more or less $496,000
5706 Dunbarton Oaks Blvd.-4br, 3ba, beautiful $480,000
6702 Mosswood-New construction 4br, 3ba, 4 car garage, Robert Graham $474,252
I-20, 2.68 acres, commercial $450,000
4008 Edgebrook - Mockingbird Heights, 3bd, 2 1/2ba, great floor plan w/ huge courtyard, recent paint ..... HUGE REDUCTION $424,900
3400 Northfield - 4bd, 3ba, park like yard ..... REDUCED $399,900
FM 715 - 28 AC MORE OR LESS LAND! ..... REDUCED $395,000
3701 Bermuda Ct - 3bd, 2.5ba, 1 living, pool, granite $370,000
2804 Caldera Blvd - 4bd, 3ba, in law plan $369,900
3312 Andrews Hwy - .841 Acres $349,900
4907 Fields Place - 4bd, 2.5ba, 3liv, 2din ..... NEW PRICE $349,000
1905 N. D St.-Low maint. home, 2 story, 3bd, 2ba, office, high ceilings, wetbar $345,000
5609 Highland -Grassland 4 bd, 2 1/2 ba, wood flooring, Great floorplan ..... REDUCED $325,500
3801 S. County Rd 1185 - 3bd, 2ba, 2car, 1.6 acres, workshop $325,000
4509 Teakwood - 3bd, 2 1/2ba, Greentree, updated $320,000
#10 Cambridge Ct - Large home/in-law cottage, 4bd, 2.5ba ..... REDUCED $320,000
2806 Stutz - 4bd, 3ba, 2living, great plan, updated $315,000
3509 Northfield Crt - 4bed, 3ba in Trinity Meadows ..BIG REDUCED $307,000
3207 Marmon Dr-4bd, 2.5ba, 2 liv, 2 din $305,000
3100 Baybridge Ct - 3 bed, 2 bath, 3 garage, pation home built 2007 ..... $299,900
3101 S. County Rd 1218 - 5bd, 5ba, 1.77 acres $280,000
3101 Auburn - 4bd, 2.5ba, Decorators dream, wonderful family home, 3 living + playroom ..... REDUCED $275,000
1011 Stanolind Ave . - 3bd, 2 ba, 2 liv., 24'x28' workshop $265,000
1802 E. Pecan St - New construction, 3 or 4bd, 2ba, 2car, 2storey . $259,000
3206 W. Wadley - Low maint., 3bd, 2.5ba, HUGE rooms, new carpet & paint ..... REDUCED $239,000
4112 Amistad-3/2 1/2/2/2 townhome ..... REDUCED $224,900
12700 ECR 81 - 8.5 acres w/ 2013 mobile home, storage buildings, 2 water wells, orchard (fruit trees) on drip system, Greenwood (GISD) $219,000
1912 SCR 1083 - Greenwood 3bd, 2ba, 2.5 acres, 30x50 shop, 30x50 horse barn, AFFORDABLE $217,900
704 W. Pine - Updated 3br, 3ba, 2fp with great master suite ..... REDUCED $209,000
Commerical Lots - 10 Lots on Front St $199,000
Cottonflat & Harris - 2 Acres with access to water, gas & electric, near Mid. Co. Horseshoe Arena $197,500
4604 Wilshire-3bd, 2ba, 2liv, 2din, workshop & storage NEW PRICE $167,900
5100 ECR 136-3bd, 2 1/2ba, 1 acre, double wide ..... REDUCED $167,900
4881 ECR 130 - 10 AC LAND! $160,000
3405 Baumann-3bd, 2ba, with 2 large living ..... REDUCED $159,900
4411 Storey - 3 bd, 2 ba ..... REDUCED $150,000
720 W Pine - 3bd, 2 ba $149,900
425 Andrews Hwy - Commercial Retail $107,000
4209 ECR 61 - 2.34 AC, Bonito Estates $104,130
4001 ECR 61 - 2.34 AC, Bonito Estates $104,130
1410 Lamesa - 2bd, 1ba, .641 acres, commercial $99,000
4201 ECR 61 - 2 AC, Bonito Estates $99,000
2605 W. Washington - 2bd, 1ba, 1car, Excellent rental income or starter home $79,900
3805 ECR 157 - 3bd, 2ba, 2 acres, storage shed/workshop $75,000
County Road 108-1 AC, new home lot, Pecan Ridge, Greenwood, horses allowed $69,000
2214 County Road C2001 - 5 acre tract $50,000
2212 County Road C2001 - 5 acre tract $50,000
Bonito Estates Lots - 12 To Choose From

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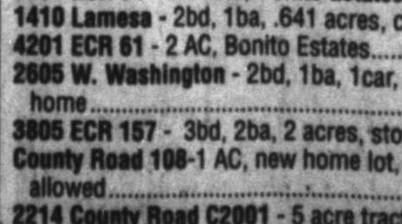

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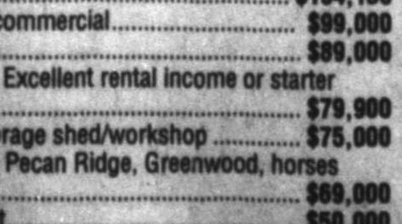

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1320 N. Fairgrounds Rd	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Mobile Home	$87,500
4700 Pleasant Dr	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$155,000
300 Jos Avenue	3 Bdrm/2 Ba	U/C
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5208 Sunnyside Dr	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$175,000
4421 Fairgate Dr	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/1 Car Garage	U/C
15425 Hollyhock Ave	Gardendale/3 Bdrm/2 Ba	$190,000
3109 Haynes Drive	3 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
2905 Sand Hill Circle	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$269,900
2606 Garfield Street	3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/ 2 Car garage	$267,000
3209 Chelsea Place	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	$289,500
3704 Casady Court	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$289,900
2903 Calders Blvd	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Oversized 2 Car Garage	$292,500
3211 Chelsea Place	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	$292,500
3509 Trinity Meadows Dr	4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
4302 San Pedro Court	Texas Classic Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/Study/3 Car Garage	$369,990
5312 Widener Strip	3 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/2 Car Garage/Pool	$386,900
5800 Dumbarton Oaks Blvd	4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$460,000
6401 Los Conchos lane	4 Bdrm/3 Ba/1 Half Ba/4 Car Garage	$1,295,000

NEW CONSTRUCTION

503 S. Madison	Modagui Construction/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
501 S. Madison	Modagui Construction/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$170,500
1307 E. Pine	Velencia Homes/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$210,000
2500 S. Co. Rd. 1080	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	$364,500
5601 Camino Reale	Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	$379,700
4304 Saltillo Ct	Chalmers Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$389,900
7302 E. Co. Rd. 91	Olgin Homes/4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$424,000
7408 E. Co. Rd. 91	J. Olgin Const./4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$444,000
7213 E. Co. Rd. 91	Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$446,500
5321 Half Moon Circle	Olgin Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$489,000
5304 George Yard Ct	Midland Gallery Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
5319 Half Moon Circle	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$499,850
5303 Dunraven Court	Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
5300 Balfour Court	R & M Home Builders/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
2512 Legacy Oaks	Ashingdon Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$779,500

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4309 W. Co. Rd. 118	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Mobile Home	$165,000
Lone Rose Estates	Gardendale/New Homes	Call Gary
1205 W. Co. Rd. 137	5 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Living Areas/1.93 Acres	$235,000
10902 E. Co. Rd. 100	4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$307,000
4108 N. Co. Rd. 1133	4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage/1.2 Acres	$355,000
14140 Lariate Trail	Gardendale/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	$395,000
13501 E. Co. Rd. 120	Greenwood/30 acres/Horse property/Barn	$785,000
Highway 87	Big Spring/RV Park	$1,150,000
6401 Los Conchos lane	4 Bdrm/3 Ba/1 Half Ba/4 Car Garage	$1,295,000

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Co. Rd. 100	5.55 Acres	$295,000
Lone Rose Estates	W. Co. Rd. 30/1.5-2 Acre Lots	Call Gary

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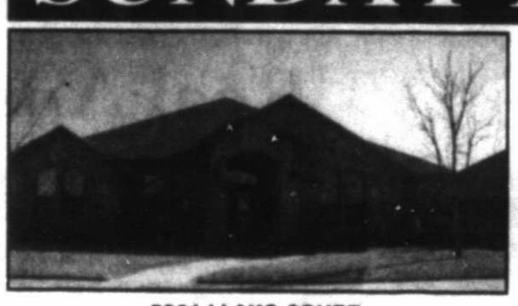

5901 LLANO COURT
$407,000

Carrasco Parado of Homes 2011! Granite throughout! Master bath has taller counter! 3 energy efficient certificate! Gently live in! Beautiful yard! Corner lot! Gas stove and gas fireplace! Iron door and storm door! 2 eating areas! Wow!!
Call Ruth young, 352-0996

7703 TRENTON DRIVE
$600,000

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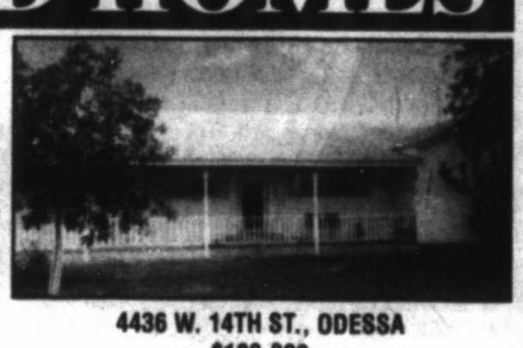
Call Jane McCrary, 553-5523



4436 W. 14TH ST., ODESSA
$189,900

3/2/2 + 2 car carport (light), 2 living areas, 4 horse stalls plus hay storage. Water well with pump plus city water. Carport built in 2002. AC/Heat replaced in 2011. Roof replace in 2009. Water and gas pipes (lines) from back of home to city connect replaced approx. 3 years ago as per owner. Pole with light and RV hookup in back side of property, no pad. Property is fenced all around.
Call Jimena True, 286-6432

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7703 TRENTON	FACT ID #1025	$600,000
5607 DREXEL COURT	FACT ID #1087	$450,000
1829 DUKES DR	FACT ID #1082	$375,900
2207 HARVARD AVE	FACT ID #1030	SOLD
3204 MAXWELL DR	FACT ID #1062	$335,000
4306 CRESTGATE AVE	FACT ID #1032	$308,000
3702 EDGEMONT	FACT ID #1018	SOLD
3602 SHANDON	FACT ID #1056	SOLD
3903 CRESTGATE AVE	FACT ID #1048	$299,900
4732 COUNTRY CLUB DR	FACT ID #1030	$199,900
10001 W. CO. RD. 54	FACT ID #1069	SOLD
517 S. BENTWOOD DR	FACT ID #1037	$187,000
3213 N. 1ST	FACT ID #1097	SOLD
3 BEDROOM		
12810 E. CO. RD. 103	FACT ID #1046	$489,000
5901 LLANO COURT	FACT ID #1092	$407,000
5707 CARMEL COURT	FACT ID # 1100	$349,900
4817 YEARWOOD DR	FACT ID #1094	$333,000
2200 PRINCETON AVE	FACT ID #1012	$299,000
5812 SABINE DR	FACT ID #1080	SOLD
5015 WHITMAN DR	FACT ID #1072	$254,000
4904 WYLEA COVE	FACT ID #1092	SOLD
1409 TEJAS	FACT ID #1036	SOLD

3 BEDROOM		
4737 PRINCETON AVE	FACT ID #1096	SOLD
2702 MICHIGAN AVE	FACT ID #1078	$169,900
3400 W. PRINCETON AVE	FACT ID #1084	U/C
3010 VERMONT	FACT ID #1037	SOLD
4717 LEISURE DR	FACT ID #1068	SOLD
4311 N. CO. RD. 1130		SOLD
4710 THOMASON DR	FACT ID #1048	SOLD
1300 DELMAR DR	FACT ID #1093	$99,900
106 N. BENTWOOD DR	FAC ID #1084	SOLD
7100 AIRLINE	FACT ID #1088	$50,000
5000 W COUNTY RD 59	FACT# 0931	SOLD
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1713 N. MARIENFELD	FACT ID #1053	$132,500
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3021 SAN MARINO DR	FACT ID #1036	$349,900
2507 REDBUD AVE	FACT ID #1068	$195,500
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$349,900
Old Midland/complete remodel!
Shown by Reannah Wyatt

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Nicely updated home with loads of new! 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, plantation shutters!
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1004 MCDONALD
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Age In Place, In Style

Most homeowners envision living in their house forever. Universal design helps that dream to become a reality, and a stylish one at that

Moen

Safe and stylish: a well-positioned grab bar helps family members of all ages

By Dawn Klingensmith | CTW Features

Aging in place is a priority for most people – most people want live in their homes as they age. Unfortunately, a house is indifferent to this desire. While a person's needs and abilities change over time, a house stays the same, with its grandest features – the soaring staircase, the deep soaking tub – redefined as hazards.

Perhaps the one of the largest hurdles to staying put may be people's reluctance to remodel their homes specifically to enable them to "age in place." A sense of style is ageless, and people are loath to sacrifice aesthetics even for increased access and maneuverability.

"People resist the idea of growing older anyway, but the biggest obstacle is the misconception that if they make alterations, it's going to look institutional," says interior designer and certified aging-in-place specialist Carolyn Deardorff, Design Adventures, Brighton, Colorado.

For bathroom retrofits in particular, "Everything they've been exposed to is downright ugly," she says.

But manufacturers and remodelers have gotten with the program, marrying safety and style. A 2011 National Association of Home Builders survey of professional remodelers found that two-thirds of them had worked with homeowners to make their houses accommodate their aging bodies. "It's a big market, and we expect remodelers will get even more involved," says Steve Melman, NAHB's director of economic services.

As with any remodeling project, the aesthetics are just as important as the utility, Melman says: "You have to do it with quality design. You don't want it to look like an assisted-living facility."

Shower

The shower is usually the centerpiece of a bathroom remodel. Curbless or walk-in showers allow for entry without stepping over a ledge. "A frameless shower enclosure is the best solution when you're trying to avoid obstacles. They don't have anything you can catch your toe on," Deardorff says.

To keep water safely inside the shower, install a door sweep and a trench drain, she recommends.

Inside the shower and on the floors, two-inch-square tiles are best for slip resistance because they have more grout joints, says certified aging-in-place specialist Joseph Irons, Irons Brothers Construction, Shoreline, Wash.

For those that need or prefer to sit while bathing, "Built-in benches are safer than the ones that fold down," Deardorff says, and are arguably more attractive.

To avoid reaching, leaning or bending place wall niches for soap and shampoo near the bench and higher up, for standing bathers. "Falls are a big problem as we get older," Deardorff says. Switches and outlets should also be positioned with this in mind.

An adjustable handheld shower spray that slides on a wall-mounted rod for maximum flexibility can accommodate sitting and standing bathers.

Bathtubs

For those who prefer soaking to showering, some manufacturers offer walk-in tubs with watertight doors and hydrotherapy features.

"Usually when you install them, you need to upgrade the water heater because they take so much water to fill," says certified aging-in-place specialist Tim Swafford, owner of the Chattanooga, Tenn.-based home building and remodeling company Independent Living of Tennessee.

Accessible to all: a dramatic frameless shower with curbless entry can accommodate a wheel chair.

Other considerations

Stylish, taller toilets are offered now, eliminating the need for institutional-looking toilet-seat extenders.

Grab bars these days are "downright gorgeous," Deardorff says, "with elegant curves and great colors and finishes" that coordinate with bathroom fixtures or tiles. Companies like Moen and Great-Grabz have elevated the grab bar to an art form, taking inspiration from various architectural styles and using classic as well as unconventional materials, such as clear acrylic.

Rocker switches, lever door handles, C-shaped cabinet and drawer pulls, and motion-sensing lighting and faucets are all easier on arthritic hands. "Get rid of every knob," Deardorff says, since they are harder to grasp and twist.

It takes planning, but aging in place can be done in style. And an earlier start means fewer decisions and disruptions down the line.

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Counter Intelligence

Consider your lifestyle and kitchen needs when choosing a countertop

By Bev Bennett | CTW Features

Add the striking touch your kitchen and bath are dying for with new countertops. Your kitchen and bathrooms are almost perfect, except for those outdated countertops you just can't stand. Sounds like it's time to add some wow to your rooms with the latest in stylish surfaces.

Is that glass?

Create some sparkle in your counters with colorful glass. "Crushed glass can be melted and fused with tempered glass to create solid glass counters. There are crushed glass and resin slabs that are purchased and installed similar to other types of slab surfaces," says Marlene Buckner, owner of Marlene Buckner Interior Design, in Portland, Ore. "Both are really in and gorgeous."

Jamie Gibbs, owner of Jamie Gibbs Associates in Indianapolis, agrees so much that he chose to incorporate glass into his own kitchen countertops. "I wanted something fresh and different that would really make a statement, but is also earth-friendly," he says. Made of 80 percent recycled components, with the majority being recycled blue glass bottles, Gibbs says the countertops couldn't get any greener. "Not only are they made of recycled materials, but the counters can be recycled again when I'm done with them."

Not your everyday concrete

If you're going for a contemporary look and cooking isn't your thing, concrete countertops might be an option. "Concrete absorbs everything and can easily stain, so if you're always chopping ingredients, using lots of oils and making fancy sauces or gravies, it might not be the practical choice," says Gibbs. "But if you're looking for a unique, custom look, concrete does it."

Buckner warns that concrete comes with a high price, sometimes more than granite. "Each segment of the counter is hand formed based on the dimensions needed and custom installed," she says. "It takes extreme expertise to fabricate, is prone to chipping and cracking, and is less heat resistant than granite, so make sure you thoroughly research the manufacturer creating it."

Keep it solid

There's something for everyone when it comes to solid surfaces, which are made of more than 90 percent crushed quartz mixed with an epoxy resin. The surface offers a list of benefits worth considering, including antimicrobial, heat resistant, stain-resistant, and coated with a sealant, as well as an array of design options.

Since solid countertops are easily accessible, Gibbs says they've become so popular that they're at the same price point as medium-priced granites. "That's great, but on the downside, if you want something that's uncommon, you might have to keep searching."

Kraftmaid Cabinetry

House Beautiful Kitchen of the Year 2014, with Caesarstone Quartz white countertops contrasting with onyx finished Kraftmaid cabinets

Give me granite

Everyone loves granite, and for good reason, says Buckner. "Because of depreciation issues inherent with synthetic materials, granite and other natural stones continue to be the most popular with my clients because they hold their value and stay in style longer," she says. The beauty of granite is a given and the fact that it is heat resistant is a plus. While bright solids such as red or yellow are not available in granite, stones with movement are not available from engineered products. Stone has also gotten a bad rap for requiring frequent resealing. "That's a concern of the past," says Buckner. "There are now 15-year sealants for natural stone, so you literally don't have to do any maintenance for years."

Gibbs suggests choosing wisely if you're set on natural stone countertops. "Don't be sucked into well-priced stones sold at big box stores," he says. "There's a reason why they're priced so low, so make sure you really understand what you're buying."

Before you run off to buy new countertops, Buckner says to remember that it's all about your wants and needs. "It's a matter of doing your research and knowing your tastes and how long you're going to love something."

Can't replace? Just reface!

If getting rid of your countertops isn't an option, consider giving them a facelift. "There are companies out there that use various epoxy paints to create a look of stone on your existing countertops," says Gibbs. "This doesn't hide gouges in the tops, but if you have outdated counters or a color you can't stand, this is an inexpensive option that does wonders."

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1103 SCR 1110	-4/3.5 on 40+ acres	MLS #100342	$595,000
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5204 Wimberly Spring Ct. -3/3/3-car, cul-de-sac		MLS #102261	$445,900
5402 La Jolla	UNDER CONTRACT	MLS# 102073	$309,000
306 ECR 140	-1.76 Acres	MLS #98742	$307,500
6714 FM 715	-22 Acres	MLS #96888	$444,000
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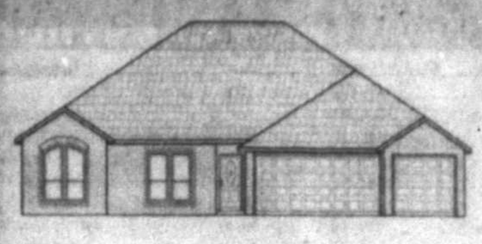

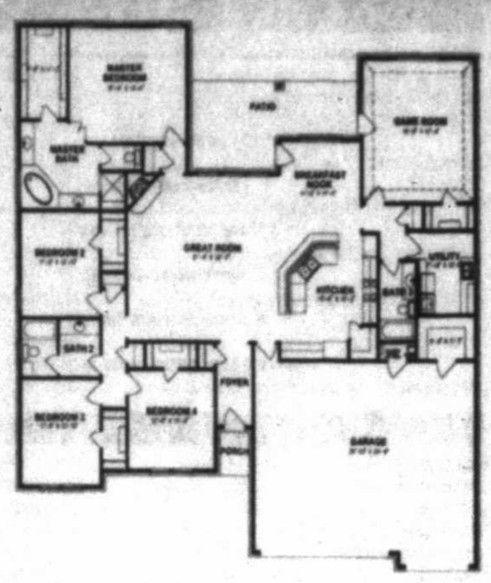

6011 Oak Creek
$379,500

This gorgeous home in Heritage Oaks includes 4 bedrooms, 3 baths and a spacious game room. Kitchen features custom built cabinetry, granite countertops and a gas cooktop.

906 Trinidad
$459,500

You don't want to miss this home in Woodland Park. It includes 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, a formal dining & game room. Painted cabinets and stainless appliances are just a few of the beautiful features.

Mark Payne Homes Available Homes

6011 Frio- 4 Bed, 2 Bath, Study, 2 Car Garage	$318,500
6015 Frio- 4 Bed, 2 Bath, 2 Car Garage	$292,500
6006 Wichita- 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Study, Game Room, 3 Car Garage	$404,500
4005 Navasota- 3 Bed, 2 Bath, 2 Car Garage	$273,500
4009 Heritage Oaks- 3 Bed, 3 Bath, Formal Dining, Flex Room, 3 Car Garage	UC
811 Trinidad- 3 Bed, 3 Bath, Formal Dining, Game Room, 3 Car Garage	UC
904 Trinidad- 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Formal Dining, 3 Car Garage	$429,500
1206 Silverton- 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Formal Dining, Game Room, 3 Car Garage	UC

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4521 CORSAIR CT. - $950,000
CUSTOM MR LARY HOME ON COVETED STREET!
Attention to detail at every turn! Wood floors! Formal dining! Formal living! Walls of windows! Cozy den! Gourmet kitchen w/island & breakfast bar! Office area! Sep master! Gorgeous bath w/heated floors,huge shower&tub tub! Designer closet! Sep in-law plan! Huge bedrooms! Amazing closets! Studio w/barn door & storage! 3Cp+port cart-could be 4th! Incredible patio w/course views!

3802 ST. ANDREWS CT. - $799,000
FANTASTIC HOME IN TRINITY
WITH ALL THE BELLS & WHISTLES!
Fabulous updates thru-out! Formal living! Den w/fireplace! Formal dining! Updated kitchen w/breakfast nook! Master suite w/sitting area & incredible bath!In-law suite downstairs! 3 Bedrooms & 2 baths upstairs plus gameroom! Recently refurbished pool in wonderful backyard! High privacy fence! 4 Car garage plus office in between! Tons of parking!Awesome!

7013 RIDGEBORO - $565,000
SHOWN BY PAM DODD, 432-413-9780
INCREDIBLE PROPERTY!!
2 Story elegance! Updated & tons of living space! Formal living/ formal dining! Gourmet kitchen w/granite & stainless appliances, island, pantry & breakfast bar that opens into the breakfast nook w/bay window! Den w/fireplace & built-ins! Spacious master suite is downstairs & offers great bath w/updated shower, separate tub, dual sinks & nice closet! 3 Bd2 bath up plus gameroom! 3Cp

2104 N. I ST. - $529,000
UNBELIEVABLE SPACE IN THIS CLASSIC HOME! POOL!
Formal dining! Formal living w/views of pool! Cozy den w/fireplace & open to the kitchen/breakfast bar! Glass sunroom! 2 Rooms, 3 bedrooms w/half bath downstairs! Master bedroom w/private bath & great closet on mid-level! 2 Great bedrooms & full bath on upper level! Soooooooo much storage in this one! Pool w/diving board & slide! Hot tub room outside! Fabulous location!!!

1913 GLADEWOOD - $525,000
GRASSLAND WEST W/GORGEOUS POOL!
Formal dining! Large formal/family room! Den is open to large kitchen w/island, granite, tons of cabinetry & counter space plus pantry! Sep master w/huge bath & closets! Space! Sep in-law plan! Live outdoors! Sur w/great patio & beautiful pool! Roomy bedrooms w/jack&jill bath! Recent carpet & wood flooring! Awesome utility rm! High ceilings! Circle drive! 4 Car garage!

5809 ECR 120 - $425,000
GREAT HOME IN GREENWOOD
ON 4+ACRES W/POOL!
3 large beds/rooms with their own bathrooms!!! ½ bath for guests!!! open floor plan !!! huge living area with fireplace !!! fabulous kitchen great for entertaining! outside offers nearly 5 acres , inviting pool , fire pit area and covered patio!! circle drive 2 car garage!!!

1007 ECR 128 - $350,000
WOW! WONDERFUL COUNTRY PROPERTY
W/WORKSHOP!!
One owner immaculately maintained home whose to offer! Living area w/high ceilings, fireplace, delights offers room for formal dining! Kitchen w/pretty oak cabinetry & breakfast bar! Sunroom is a perfect den or office! Spacious master w/private bath & nice closets! Covered patio! Large workshop w/half bath, tons of storage upstairs & 2 garage doors! 2 Cp-3 car attached garage w/tv space! Pens! Gates! Fab!

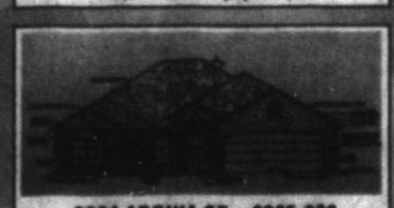
3300 GREENBRIAR DR. - $339,900
SPECTACULAR!
3 Bedroom/2.5 Bath w/refreshed ceilings, crown moulding, plantation shutters, tinted thermalpane windows, dbl sided gas fireplace, recent HVAC, instant hot water! Gourmet kitchen has island, dbl ovens,abundance of cabinets plus breakfast dining & bar! Formal living & dining! Cozy den! Sequestered master suite offers double vnes, walk-in shower, jetted tub & wrap-around closet! Recent paint & floors ! 3 Car garage! Small yards!

6008 MEDINA DR. - $330,000
FABULOUS MARK PAYNE RESALE!
Open concept w/no wasted space! Open kitchen offers granite countertops, breakfast bar & nook! Spacious living rm w/corner fireplace! Big windows! Sequestered master suite w/gorgeous bath boasts granite countertops, oil rubbed bronze fixtures, soaking tub, sep shower & large closet! Rooms bedrooms w/great closets! Hall bath has dual sinks, granite & tub/shower! Stained concrete! Wow!

4700 ECR 140 - $325,000
ONE OWNER CUSTOM HOME OF 4 ACRES
ON QUIET COUNTRY LIVING
Living room w/fireplace & beamed, vaulted ceiling! Kitchen w/breakfast nook! Sequestered master suite w/private bath offers 2 closets, dual sinks & sep shower & tub! 4th bedroom is converted garage & could be office/gameroom! Extra guest bedrooms are spacious w/great closets! Fenced backyard! 3 Cp/ workshop has huge storage closet! Extra barn!

2210 WHITNEY DR. - $325,000
READY TO BE CHANGED!!
Just walk inside to see this fabulous home w/pool! This beauty offers fabulous floating brick fireplace trim-LV windows & a round formal dining room/Kitchen w/island & corner window sink has tons of cabinets! Formal living w/bay window! Large utility room w/desk! 4 Roomy bedrooms! Spacious master w/updated bathroom! Circle drive! Entertainers backyard w/patio,pool & trees!!Impressive!

4700 DENTCREST – $300,000
WONDERFUL INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY!!
Impeccably maintained duplex! Live in one side & rent the other! Side-by-side 3 bedroom/2 bath home w/approx 1535 sq ft! Side a is a 2 bedroom/2 bath w/approx 1440 sq ft! Both sides offer living space w/ fireplace, kitchen, dining & separate yards plus 2 car garage! Great location! Refer to mls under duplex for more information!



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Open concept w/great living room & fireplace! Gourmet kitchen w/island, granite countertops, pantry & tons of cabinetry! Formal dining space too! Sequestered master suite offers large bedrooms w/open ceiling, separate bathroom w/his & her vanities, jetted tub, separate shower & two huge closets! Covered patio! Spacious bedrooms w/nice closets! 2 Cp/

10809 ECR 107 - $295,000
BEAUTIFULLY UPDATED HOME IN GREENWOOD!
Great location behind school! 3 Bedroom 2 bath home with 2 living and 2 dining! Great for entertaining! Lots of new! 30 X 40 workshop with covered patio and carport! Great backyard has a covered patio and playhouse! 2 Car garage!

901 CHEYENNE ST. - $290,000
WONDERFUL NEW CONSTRUCTION IN A
BRAND NEW SUBDIVISION!
Gorgeous home loaded with upgrades! Formal dining/ great! Large living room w/high ceilings! Fireplace! Gourmet kitchen with tons of cabinetry & granite counters, pantry & big island/breakfast bar! Spacious sequestered master suite w/beautiful bath offers jetted tub, 2 vanities & 2 closets! Covered patio! 2 Car garage!

2605 DOUGLAS DR. - $275,000
DARLING & UPDATED FAMILY HOME!
Formal living area w/big windows! Formal dining area! Updated kitchen w/refrigerator, stainless w/tile backsplash, island! Den w/wood-look tile offers fireplace, built-ins & is open to the kitchen! Spacious bedrooms! Updated hall bath! Updated master bath & fabulous sequestered backyard! Oversized pool & hands! Area for kids & dogs too! Covered patio! Wonderful neighborhood! 2 Cp/

2906 ARROWHEAD - $275,000
WONDERFUL HOME
ON QUIET CUL-DE-SAC!
Nice living room w/hardwood beamed ceiling! Kitchen w/tons of cabinetry, island & dining area that opens to living room! Enclosed patio! Sep master suite w/private bath! Recent carpet! Wonderful island backyard! Great for entertaining! Covered patio! Extra gameroom w/exterior access! Pool! Great retirement to swim against for low impact exercise! Space around the pool area too! Backyard too! 2 Car garage!

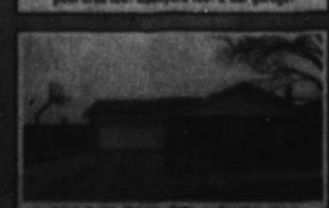
4103 DYER CIRCLE - $273,900
COOL ARCHITECTURE & HIGH CEILINGS
W/RARE WOOD BEAMS GIVE THIS LOVELY
HOME SUCH CHARACTER!
Fireplace in living area! Kitchen w/granite offers abundant cabinetry & breakfast bar! Sequestered master bedroom offers private bath which includes separate shower & tub! Great space! Roomy secondary! Great hall bathroom! Spacious floors to the tub that is great for office or playroom! Nice yards!

807 CHEYENNE DR. - $272,500
WONDERFUL NEW CONSTRUCTION
BY TROY HUNT!
Upgrades thru-out! Brand new/functional! Beautiful cabinets! Carpet & tile flooring! Fireplace in living w/high ceilings! Open kitchen w/island & dining area! Sequestered master suite w/big ceiling & beautiful bathroom offers nice vanities, large shower, jetted tub & great closet! Spacious bedrooms w/ walk in closets! Covered patio! 2 Car garage!

OPEN 3:30-4:30
809 CHUKAR - $250,000
SPEND YOUR EVENINGS ON THIS PERCH!
Wonderfully updated home on huge lot! 1,256 Sq Ft with fencing & close to downtown! Wood floors! Granite countertops! Crown moulding! Tons of windows! Roomy bedrooms & updated baths! Garage has been converted to a wonderful gameroom/2nd living room! High efficiency windows & heat/air! Low-e vinyl insulated windows! City utilities! Land-entry appointment!

2302 SINCLAIR - $235,000
BROUGHT TO CLASSIC HOME ON
TREE LINED STREET CLOSE TO PARK!
Fabulous floors! Formal living/dining! Kitchen w/breakfast nook! Large utility room! Spacious master bedroom w/private bath! Roomy bedrooms! Updated hall bath! Fenced backyard! Covered patio! Extra storage! Circle drive! 2 Cp/ Will make updates! Do not miss! Is fabulous!

OPEN 2:00-3:00
1004 MCDONALD - $235,000
BROUGHT BY MARSHA SHAW
NICELY UPDATED HOME
WITH OPEN PLAN!
Living area has wood floors! Kitchen w/breakfast bar! Formal dining! Recent paint! Den/bedroom! Updated hall bath has tub/shower! Master bedroom has wood floors! Fenced backyard! Covered patio! Extra storage! Circle drive! 2 Cp/ Will make updates! Do not miss! Is fabulous!



4614 FLOYD CT. - $178,000
ADORABLE AS WELL MAINTAINED HOME
ON A CUL-DE-SAC!
Nice living room w/hardwood floors! Kitchen w/breakfast area! Den/bedroom! Updated hall bath has tub/shower! Master bedroom has wood floors! Fenced backyard! Covered patio! Extra storage! Circle drive! 2 Cp/ Will make updates! Do not miss! Is fabulous!

3918 MONTY DR. - $198,500
NICE FAMILY HOME WITH GREAT
ENTERTAINING LIVING AREA!
Cozy den with fireplace greets you & opens to beautiful kitchen with gathering area & eating! Spacious dining space is perfect for meals from or large family gatherings! Bright cheerful bedrooms with 3 nice closets! Updated hall bath has tub/shower! Utility room! Nice patio & big backyard! Storage building!

1221 MARY ST.; CRANE
$150,000
GREAT STARTER HOME IN CRANE!
Formal living room! Kitchen has oversized countertops, breakfast bar & breakfast nook! Cozy den with fireplace! Bedrooms offer 3 & 3 nice closets! Updated hall bath! 4 Carports (2 on front & 2 on rear)/storage shed! Close! Great Rental Home! Come look! Nice front porch!

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5702 S. HWY. 349...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ... MLS #100135-100131 ... $500,000
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1101 S. CO. RD. 1128... Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS#101986 ... *SALE PENDING*
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4403 WEST IH 20... Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS# L1020078 ... $280,000
1407 W TEXAS AVE... Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS# 101992 ... $249,900
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CO. RD. 140-LOT 13...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102245 ... 5.7 Acres/$171,000
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CO. RD. 140-LOT 19...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102247 ... 8.3 Acres/$159,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 17...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102253 ... 5.1 Acres/$153,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 4...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102257 ... 5 Acres/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 6...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102256 ... 5 Acres/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 7...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102255 ... 5 Acres/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 9...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102254 ... 5 Acres/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 12...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102252 ... 5 Acres/$150,000
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CO. RD. 160 & CO. RD. 1065...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... SUPERB Land/320 Acres/$1,280,000
S. CO. RD. 1050, GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... 96.85 Acres/$968,500
CO. RD. 160 & CO. RD. 1065...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97406 ... SUPERB Land - Will Split, 320 Acres/$4,000/Acre
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2415 IDLEWILDE DR...Leah Watkins 599-2187 ... MLS #102445 ... $535,700
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3201 CYNTHIA DR...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #97539 ... 11.4 Acres/$425,900
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4403 WEST IH 20... Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... 7 Acres Raw Land ... MLS# L1020078 ... $280,000
CO. RD. 1130...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #99518 ... 29.1 Acres/$278,450
HWY. 80...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #101936 ... $190,000
4921 N. CR 1147...Caleb Matott 432-349-3330 ... MLS #99648 ... 5+ Acres/$175,000
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CR 110 GREENWOOD...Calep Matott 349-3330...New Subdivision/3 available ... 3 Acres/$95,000
7411 E. CO. RD. 90...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #100044 ... 1.458 Acres/$94,594
1200 S. CO. RD. 117...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #100043 ... 1.488 Acres/$81,654
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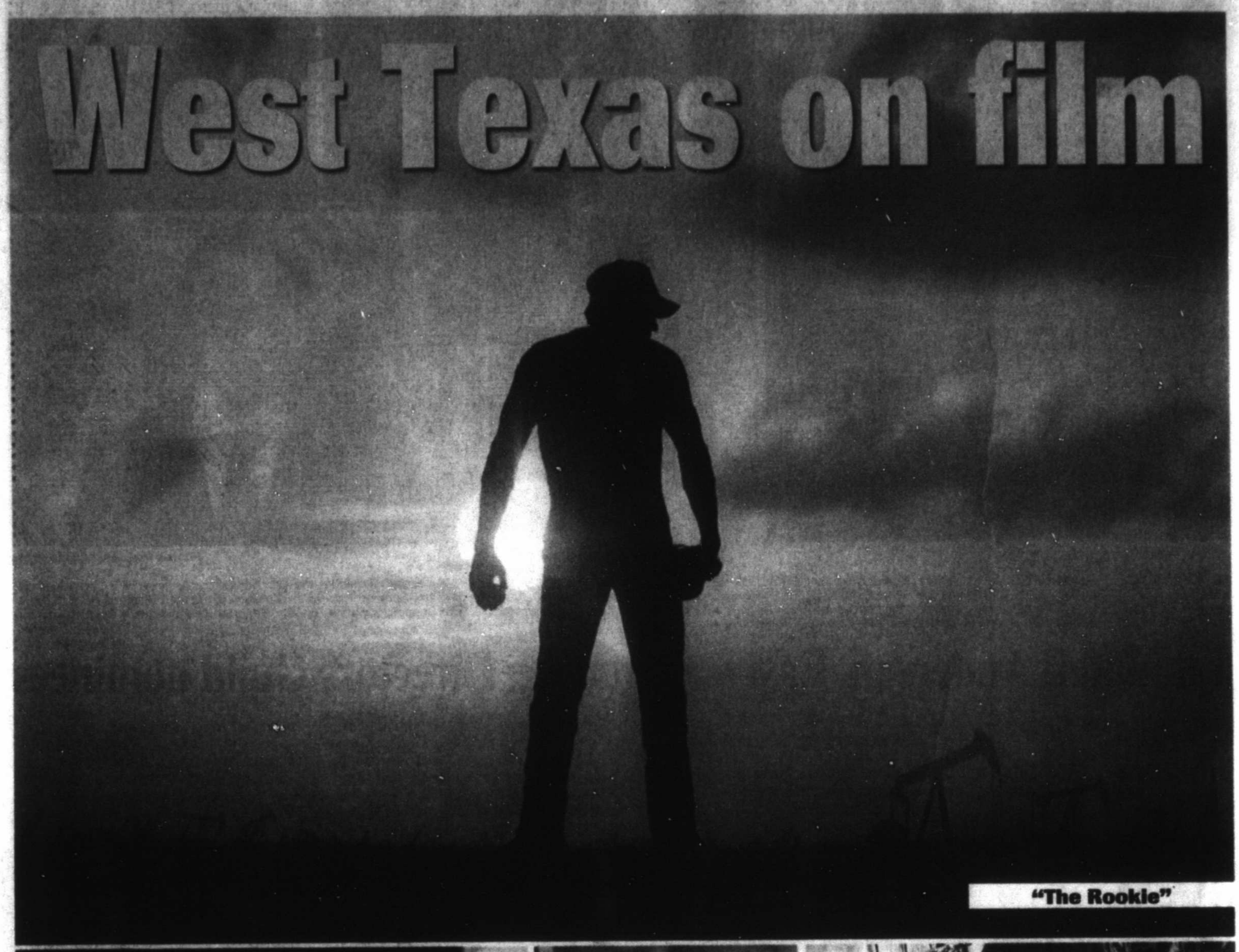

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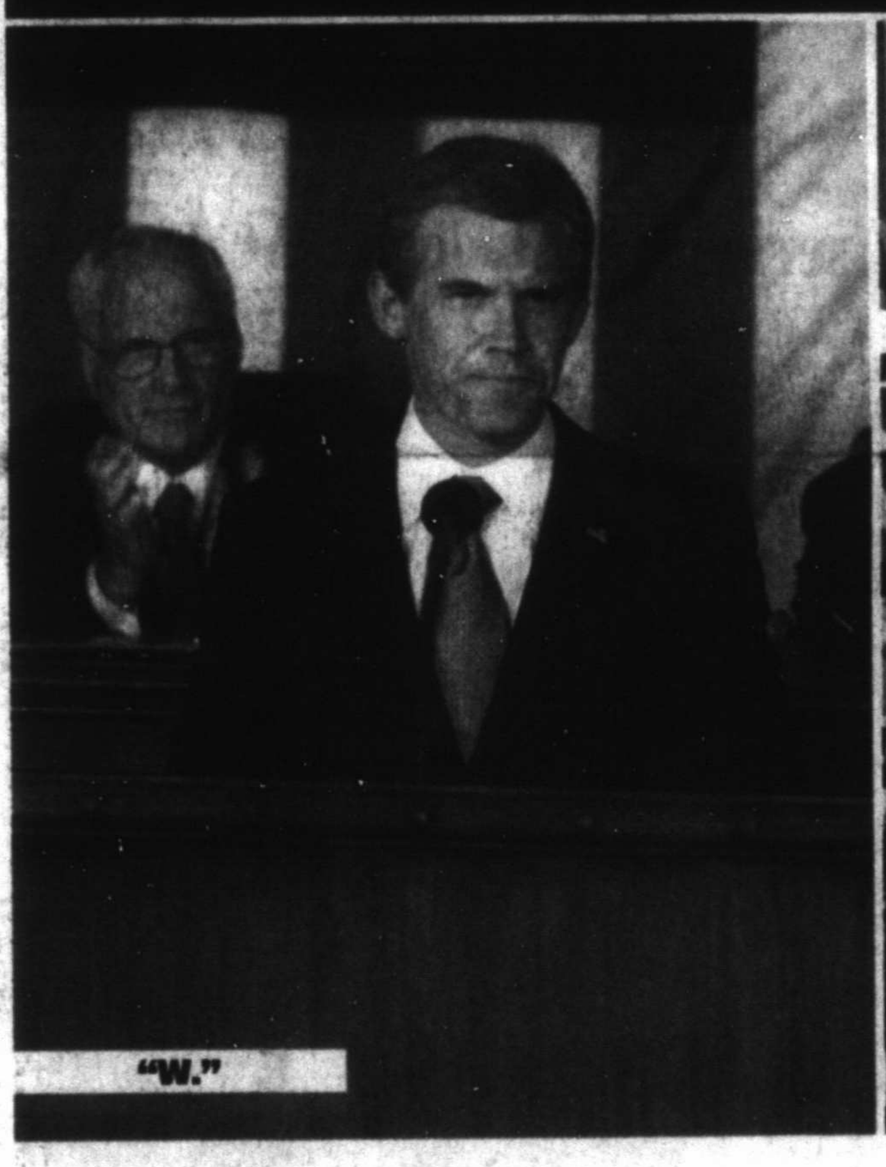

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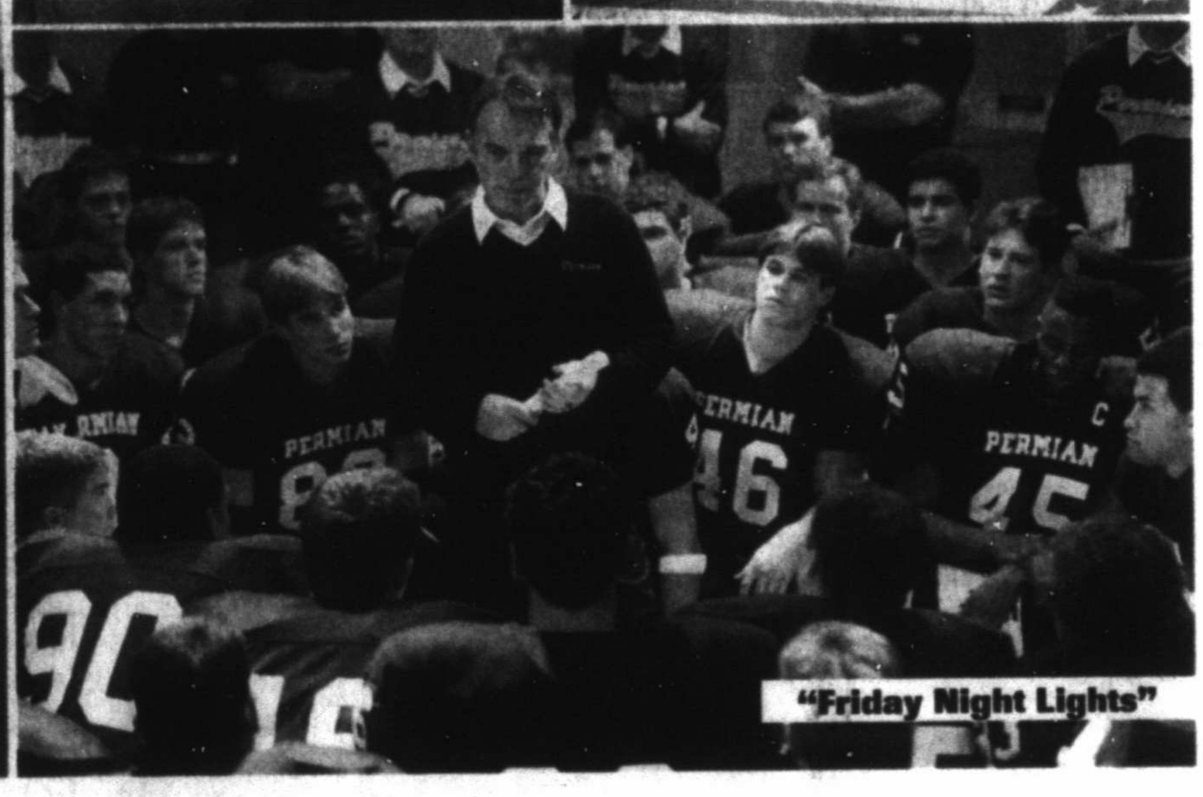

"Friday Night Lights"

A look at iconic, lesser known movies with local ties

By Rich Lopez
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When we asked readers about movies featuring or filmed in West Texas, we received a slew of responses. There is a clear pride among folks when it comes to the filmic history of the area. Award-winners, cult faves and even television movies popped up on readers' radars.

We narrowed it down to the 10 we thought best represented not only the landscape, but also the culture. Whether the area is on screen for a minute or two hours, here are our top films where West Texas plays a part as much as the actors.

Just because: "Hangar 18" (1980)

Who would think Midland and Big Spring could be home to a sci-fi flick? Director James L. Conway did with this movie about a government cover-up of a landed UFO and the aliens inside. The movie was considered a flop and was even spoofed on Mystery Science Theater, but schlock is always fun. So maybe not top 10 material, but we couldn't let this gem slip away.

10. "Fandango" (1985)

A group of friends from UT head out on one last road trip before graduation in this cult fave that stars Kevin Costner, Judd Nelson, Sam Robards. It was shot in Lajitas, Marfa, Alpine, Fort Davis, Pecos, Monahans and El Paso. While the film didn't perform well at the box office, it did garner a home viewing audience and fans even celebrated its 25th anniversary at locations where it was filmed.

9. "Paris, Texas" (1984)

Directed by Wim Wenders, the film centers on wandering amnesiac Travis Henderson, played by Harry Dean Stanton, who is intent on finding his ex-wife Jane, played by Nastassja Kinski, and rebuilding his relationship wih his son Hunter, played by Hunter Carson. Parts of the movie were filmed in El Paso, Terlingua, Fort Stockton, Marathon and in Big Bend. The span of West Texas is a perfect metaphor for Henderson's solitary mission that leads him to his brother and eventually the big city, all while determined to also find Paris.

8. "Boyhood" (2014)

West Texas has a small part in this Golden Globe winning movie, but it's an important one for the main character. We won't give it away, but also, much of Richard Linklater's film is like a love letter to Texas filmed over 12 years throughout the state including Terlingua and Big Bend. "Boyhood" just received an Oscar nomination for best picture, as well as supporting actor nods for Patricia Arquette and Ethan Hawke who play the disjointed parents of the formative Mason.

7. "W." (2008)

Despite the controversial aspects of this Oliver Stone film, George W. Bush is and likely always will be Midland's most famous son. Josh Brolin plays the 43rd president alongside Elizabeth Banks as Laura Bush and a star-studded cast that portrays key players in his administration. The movie follows Bush from his Yale days to owning the Texas Rangers and up to his presidency.

6. "The Three Burials of Melquiadas Estrada" (2005)

Although a quiet film, Tommy Lee Jones' directing effort was rooted in dark origins. Based on the killing of an

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With Zach Coker | Director for Blakemore Planetarium

The Museum of the Southwest recently named Zach Coker as the director for for the Blakemore Planetarium. He comes to Midland with his wife, Cheryl, from Columbus, Georgia. Coincidentally, she came to Midland to work in the oil industry when the planetarium position opened up. He had an early affinity for dinosaurs and astronomy and taught at the Columbus State University's Coca-Cola Space Science Center teaching astronomy and running their planetarium. He switched gears and became a graphic designer and animator in the corporate field. Upon heading west, he has embraced Midland's open skies and kind people welcoming him to the area and the planetarium.

MRT: What is your proudest achievement in your field?

Coker: This is actually a very tough question. I have several fields in which I work. The biggest, of course, is in astronomy education through planetariums. The second is paleo reconstruction, in which I work with paleontologists and the newest data from dinosaur skeletons to reconstruct what they might have looked like 68 million years ago. I'd have to say my proudest achievement in all that is seeing how proud my parents are of me. They sacrificed a lot, as many parents do to make me who I am today and knowing they are proud makes me proud.

MRT: What is your best quality?

Coker: Some call it a quality, and others

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CLOCKWISE: Clint Eastwood arrives at the National Board of Review Awards Gala at Cipriani 42nd Street on Jan. 6 in New York. Wes Anderson attends the 40th Annual Los Angeles Film Critics Associations Awards at InterContinental Los Angeles on Jan. 10 in Century City, in Los Angeles. Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu, director of the film "Birdman, " poses for a portrait at the Four Seasons Hotel in Los Angeles on Dec. 17, 2014. Richard Linklater arrives at the 26th annual Palm Springs International Film Festival Awards Gala in Palm Springs, California, on Jan. 3. Morten Tyldum attends the press conference for "The Imitation Game" at the Toronto International Film Festival in Toronto on Sept. 9, 2014.

Linklater, Anderson, Eastwood among Directors Guild nominees

By Lindsey Bahr
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Richard Linklater's 12-year commitment to the coming-of-age tale "Boyhood" is paying off with his first nomination from the Directors Guild of America, the organization announced Tuesday.

Also nominated for their outstanding achievement in directing were first-time nominee Wes Anderson for the whimsical "Grand Budapest Hotel" and Alejandro González Inarritu for his dark show-business comedy "Birdman." Inarritu was previously nominated for "Babel."

Both Anderson and Inarritu lost out to Linklater for the best director Golden Globe on Sunday.

In an unexpected turn, rounding out the five slots were Morten Tyldum for his Alan Turing biopic "The Imitation Game," and Clint Eastwood for his fact-based wartime drama "American Sniper." This is Eastwood's fourth nomination. He previously won for "Million Dollar Baby" in 2004 and "Unforgiven" in 1992.

"Couldn't be more excited to be recognized by my peers," first-time nominee Tyldum said in a statement. "I am thrilled that my fellow directors gave me this honor and to be in this group of talented artists is overwhelming. I am truly over the moon."

Meanwhile, David Fincher ("Gone Girl") and Ava DuVernay ("Selma") were surprisingly shut out of the nominations. Both were nominated for a Golden Globe and a Critics' Choice Movie Award, and were considered strong possibilities for Directors Guild recognition.

Also noticeably absent were Angelina Jolie for her efforts on the World War II drama "Unbroken," Christopher Nolan for his space odyssey "Interstellar," and Bennett Miller for the true crime story "Foxcatcher."

The awards are a formidable predictor of the eventual Oscar recipient. There have been only seven times where the Directors Guild winner has not gone on to win the Oscar.

The most recent instance was in 2013, when Ben Affleck won the Directors Guild award for "Argo," while Ang Lee won the Oscar for "Life of Pi." Last year Alfonso Cuarsn won both awards for "Gravity."

Still, the surprise snubs here could still receive Oscar nominations come Jan. 15. Only five times in their 66-year run have the Directors Guild nominees exactly mirrored the Oscar lineup.

With nearly 16,000 members, including television and commercial directors, the Directors Guild nominees often reflect a more populist lineup when compared with the selections of the nearly 400 members of the directors' branch of the Academy.

"In a year full of excellent films, DGA members have nominated a stellar group of passionate filmmakers," Directors Guild President Paris Barclay said in a statement.

Amazon signs Woody Allen for his first TV series

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Amazon Studios is delivering Woody Allen as creator of his first-ever TV series.

The Oscar-winning filmmaker will write and direct all of the episodes of the half-hour series. A full season has been ordered for Amazon's Prime Instant Video, the company announced Tuesday. The series is expected to premiere in 2016.

No details on casting were disclosed, nor was the series title announced.

Amazon Studios vice president Roy Price called Allen "a visionary creator who has made some of the greatest films of all time," keeping him "at the creative forefront of American cinema" during a career that spans 50 years.

"I don't know how I got into this," the 79-year-old Allen said in a wryly modest statement. "I have no ideas and I'm not sure where to begin. My guess is that Roy Price will regret this."

Allen has masterminded and often starred in more than 40 films since his maiden directorial effort, "What's Up Tiger Lily?" in 1966. His latest movie project is "Magic in the Moonlight," released last year, with yet another film in the pipeline for this year.

The late 1970s saw two of his most celebrated films, "Annie Hall" and "Manhattan."

He has won four Oscars and two Golden Globes. Last year he was presented with the Golden Globes' Cecil B. DeMille Lifetime Achievement Award.

But his skills were honed on television, where he first gained widespread notice in the early 1960s as a standup comic, and during the 1950s, when he wrote for Sid Caesar and other TV stars.

His prodigious output through the decades has also included magazine essays, books and plays. A musical adaptation of his 1994 film comedy, "Bullets Over Broadway," ran on Broadway last year.

Allen's signing adds yet more luster to Amazon Studios. Its freshman series, "Transparent," on Sunday won two Golden Globes, including best comedy series, as it continues to help redefine what "television" means.

Amazon started Amazon studios in 2010 to develop full-length films and TV shows.

Madonna, AC/DC, Ariana Grande to perform at Grammy Awards

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Madonna, AC/DC and Ariana Grande are among the first performers announced to take the stage at the Grammy Awards next month.

Singer-songwriter Ed Sheeran and country star Eric Church will also perform at the Staples Center in Los Angeles on Feb. 8, The Recording Academy announced Tuesday.

Grande, who is nominated for two awards, will make her Grammy debut. Church is nominated for four honors, while Sheeran has three, including album of the year for "x."

Beyonce, Sam Smith and Pharrell are the leaders in nominations with six apiece. The three pop stars, along with Sheeran, will compete with Beck for album of the year.

The 57th annual Grammy Awards will air live on CBS.

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see it as a flaw, but I am an extremely ambitious person. Even when something seems to be virtually impossible to achieve, whether it be due to finances, lack of support or any other number of setbacks, if I think it would benefit the education of others, I will push as hard as I can for it.

MRT: Describe an ideal meal.

Coker: This is another hard question. I love food! But I have to say that the perfect meal for me is a nice pan-seared fish with sautéed vegetables over linguini or rice. It's very light and simple, and it's absolutely delicious. My wife and I love to cook together and sit down for nice quiet dinners in the evening after a good day of work.

MRT: Name a real life hero and a fictional hero and why.

Coker: I have several real life heroes. My parents are at the very top of the list for the countless things they've done and far too many to list here. My wife is always an inspiration, and a hero because of who she is and her support of my work. She never says no. If I have a dream, she tells me to go for it. My best friends back in Georgia have always blown me away with their support and inspiration they give me, one of whom, Matthew, I've been best friends with since we were 5. Maybe my greatest hero is my former executive director, Dr. Shawn Cruzen. He's responsible for where I am today as the director of Blakemore Planetarium. When I was just 15 years old, my father, Matthew and I went to a telescope night to look at the stars and we gravitated toward Dr. Cruzen. By the end of the evening, he was so impressed with our drive, he asked both of us if we'd be interested in working for him at the Space Science Center. We accepted immediately and it was there I first learned tao operate a planetarium. Dr. Cruzen always nudged me in the right direction. I don't think I could ever thank him enough for everything he did and that's why he's such a big hero of mine.

For my fictional hero, I have to choose Iron Man: I mean, come on, as a space nerd, how can he not be my fictional hero with all of that amazing tech?

MRT: What's in your music player right now?

Coker: At the moment, I have the symphonic soundtrack from "How to Train Your Dragon" playing. I love symphonic movie scores. They tend to center and focus me. When I work on projects, no matter what they are, I play my movie scores. It brings out a passion and drive that I can't really describe other than "inspiring."

"Giant"

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American teenager near the Mexico border, Jones directed and starred in the film that was shot in Big Bend, Lajitas, Van Horn, Odessa, Redford, Monahans and Shafter.

5. "The Rookie" (2002)

Based on a true story, Dennis Quaid portrays Jim Morris, a teacher in Big Lake, who went on to have a brief career has a Major League Baseball Player. Disney was behind this feel-good movie, but it also played with genuine sentimentality.

4. "American Sniper" (2014)

In Clint Eastwood's film about U.S. Navy SEAL Chris Kyle, we learn how the Odessa-born and Permian High School alum became a sniper of uncanny ability, making him both a hero and a target. The movie details his four tours of duty only to return home to struggle with PTSD and meet a tragic if not ironic fate by a fellow veteran. Like "Boyhood," the film received six nominations including best picture and best actor for Bradley Cooper's portrayal of Kyle.

3. "Friday Night Lights" (2004)

Director Peter Berg took H.G. Bissinger's book to the big screen with Billy Bob Thornton as Coach Gary Gaines of the 1988 Permian Panthers in their goal toward a state championship. Also dealing with racial and socioeconomic tensions, the film was a complex look at not only football as a culture, but the diversity found in the players.

2. "Giant" (1956)

This classic George Stevens film was tops on many readers' minds. The grand film left its Texas legacy throughout West Texas with its famous Reata ranch located in Marfa and even scenes filmed in Valentine. Rock Hudson and Elizabeth Taylor are perfect as married couple Bick and Leslie Lynnton. As they age and build their own legacy, they are menaced by James Dean's Jett Rink who has his eye on his own fortune and Leslie. But the film itself is a sublime epic with a spirit as big as the state, if not at least the western part of it.

1. "Waltz Across Texas" (1982)

Many readers mentioned this movie filmed in Midland. Oilman John Taylor and geologist Gail Weston, played by Terry Jastrow and Anne Archer, aren't the perfect partners for oil discovery but maybe for romance. This small film may have clichéd romantic comedy written all over it, but many readers felt a strong attachment to the film and its frank portrayal of the work force here. And then there's also the big dance scene.

What movies didn't make the list? Let us know on Facebook or at MRT.com in the comments section.

Molly Sims wants to help women find their inner x-factor

By Alicia Rancilio
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Molly Sims is a self-professed girl's girl and proud of it.

She loves to share the tips and secrets she's discovered to looking and feeling good.

"I love sharing information like, 'OK, you need to go blond. Don't forget about your eyebrows. ... Oh my god, you've got to check out this smoothie. OK, so I just went to this place and I swear to you I lost three pounds,'" she said in a recent interview.

Sims has compiled some of her tips for looking and feeling great in her new book, "The Everyday Supermodel: My Beauty, Fashion, and Wellness Secrets Made Simple" (Dey Street Books). She enlisted the help of experts like stylist-designer Rachel Zoe and Pilates instructor Alycea Ungaro.

Associated Press: Do you really believe that by following your book, the everyday woman can look like a supermodel?

Sims: I knew I was gonna get a little flak on 'The Everyday Supermodel' because here I am calling myself a supermodel. I cringe sometimes at the word, but ... I've done this for 20 years. I've made myself believe like, 'OK, I can do this. I can challenge myself. I can respect myself and I can be the best version of myself and I can bring out that inner-supermodel. That inner x-factor.' That's what we have to bring out of all of us. And I have faked it 'til I've made it and ... the one thing I've done along the way is I've learned and I've looked and I've copied and I've read and I've listened, and that's ultimately why I wrote the book, because people always go, 'Oh, you were born that way,' and I got so tired of hearing that.

AP: You write that taking care of yourself is more about respecting yourself than anything else.

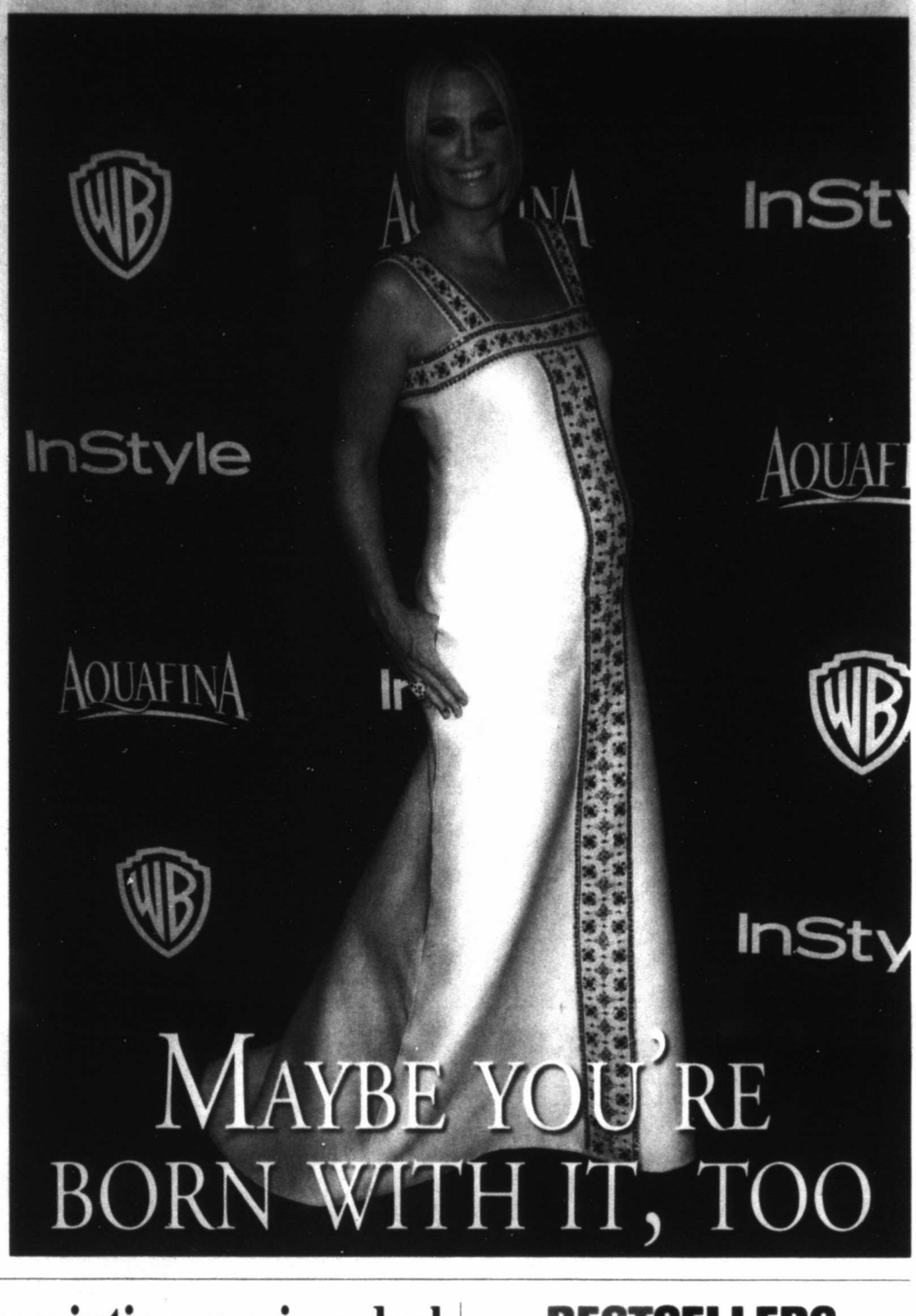
Sims: You have to respect yourself, you have to challenge yourself and you have to be the best version of yourself. If you look good, you feel good.

AP: You're expecting your second child, but you've been honest about gaining a lot of weight during your first pregnancy (with son Brooks). Was the weight hard to lose?

Sims: I gained 74 pounds in my last pregnancy. I was 204. I couldn't even see my belly. I ended up having a thyroid condition that they didn't know about it. But it doesn't matter, I still had to lose the 80 pounds. It took me 15 months.

AP: You devote a chapter to finding love, which you say you've had problems with.

Sims: I worked with a really good therapist a few years ago. Her name is Mary Goldenson and she wrote this amazing book. I was really co-dependent. I couldn't get out of a relationship, and I was just stuck, and she made me read ... one of her books called, 'It's Time: No One's Coming to Save You.' And I needed someone to hold me accountable, and the person I needed to hold me accountable was me, and I needed to stop saying, 'OK, I'm gonna do this later, and if this happens then I'm gonna do this.' Like what is happening now? And she told me to get grateful and she told me very hard things that I didn't want to hear. 'Really, you think you're gonna change someone?' ... It was tough and I cried. ... We weren't going to write (about it but) it was one of the best chapters.



Molly Sims arrives at the 16th annual InStyle and Warner Bros. Golden Globes afterparty at the Beverly Hilton Hotel on Jan. 11 in Beverly Hills, California. *Associated Press*

Macmillan reaches subscription services deal

By Hillel Italie
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Another major publisher is testing the subscription market.

Macmillan will make 1,000 books available to Oyster and Scribd, the subscription services announced separately Tuesday. The releases, all older works, range from Janet Evanovich's "Full House" to "The Language of Passion" by Nobel laureate Mario Vargas Llosa. Publishers, citing concerns about driving down the value of a book, have been cautious about working with companies such as Oyster, Amazon.com and Scribd that offer unlimited e-reading of hundreds of thousands of releases for less than $10 a month.

Simon & Schuster and HarperCollins also have been working with subscription companies, and the CEOs for both publishers have said they were happy with the results. A spokeswoman for the country's largest publisher, Penguin Random House, said it is "uncommitted at present to offering our books for any subscription services." (The respective parent companies of Penguin Random House and Macmillan, Bertelsmann and the Holtzbrinck Publishing Group, co-founded the German subscription service Skoobe in 2012.)

Financial terms between Macmillan and the subscription services were not disclosed. Last month, Macmillan CEO John Sargent wrote an end-of-year letter to authors, illustrators and agents that disclosed his willingness to try subscriptions despite a "significant long-term risk."

"We need broader channels to reach our readers," wrote Sargent, who referred to Amazon.com's dominance of e-book sales.

"Several companies offer 'pay per read' plans that offer favorable economic terms. We plan to try subscription with backlist books, and mostly with titles that are not well represented at bricks-and-mortar retail stores. Our job has always been to provide you with the broadest possible distribution, and given the current financial and strategic incentives being offered, we believe the time is right to try this test."

AP file photo

People wait in line at Macmillan Publishers to have books autographed by their authors at Book Expo America in New York on May 30, 2013. Macmillan will make about 1,000 books available to Oyster, the subscription service announced Tuesday. Publishers, citing concerns about driving down the value of a book, have been cautious about working with companies such as Oyster, Amazon.com and Scribd that offered unlimited e-reading for a monthly price of less than $10.

BESTSELLERS

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Hardcover fiction

1. "All the Light We Cannot See" by Anthony Doerr (Scribner)
2. "Gray Mountain" by John Grisham (Doubleday)
3. "Hope to Die" by James Patterson (Little, Brown)
4. "The Escape" by David Baldacci (Grand Central Publishing)
5. "Revivial" by Stephen King (Scribner)
6. "Die Again: A Rizzoli and Isles Novel" by Tess Gerritsen (Ballantine)
7. "Tom Clancy: Full Force and Effect" by Mark Greaney (G.P. Putnam's Sons)
8. "The Assasination Option" by W.E.B. Griffin and William E. Butterworth IV (G.P. Putnam's Sons)
9. "The World of Ice & Fire" by George R.R. Martin (Bantam)
10. "Leaving Time" by Jodi Picoult (Ballantine)

Hardcover nonfiction

1. "Killing Patton" by Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard (Henry Holt and Co.)
2. "Yes Please" by Amy Poehler (Dey Street Books)
3. "The Adrenal Reset Diet" by Alan Christianson (Harmony)
4. "Money: Master the Game" by Tony Robbins (Simon & Schuster)
5. "41: A Portrait of My Father" by George W. Bush (Crown)
6. "The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying up" by Marie Kondo (Ten Speed)
7. "Make It Ahead" by Ina Garten (Clarkson Potter)
8. "Not That Kind of Girl: A Young Woman Tells You What She's 'Learned'" by Lena Dunham (Random)
9. "The Burn" by Haylie Pomroy (Harmony)
10. "Guinness World Records 2015" by Guinness World Records (Guinness World Records)

Mass market paperbacks

1. "Dogwood Hill" by Sherryl Woods (Harlequin MIRA)
2. "American Sniper" (movie tie-in) by Chris Kyle (Harper)
3. "Eyes Only" by Fern Michaels (Zebra)
4. "Together Again" by Debbie Macomber (Mira)
5. "Gone" by James Patterson (Vision)
6. "Gone Girl" (movie tie-in) by Gillian Flynn (Broadway Books)
7. "Home in Seattle" by Debbie Macomber (Mira)
8. "Moonlight Road" by Robyn Carr (Mira)
9. "Wicked Ways" by Lisa Jackson and Nancy Bush (Kensington/Zebra)
10. "Shelter in a Soldier's Arms" by Susan Mallery (Harlequin)

Trade paperbacks

1. "Unbroken" by Laura Hillenbrand (Random House)
2. "Unbroken" (movie tie-in) by Laura Hillenbrand (Random)
3. "American Sniper" (movie tie-in) by Chris Kyle (Morrow)
4. "Gone Girl" by Gillian Flynn (Broadway Books)
5. "Wild" (movie tie-in) by Cheryl Strayed (Vintage)
6. "Killer" by Jonathan Kellerman (Ballantine)
7. "Gone Girl" (movie tie-in) by Gillian Flynn (Broadway)
8. "Captivated By You" by Sylvia Day (Berkley)
9. "The Boys in the Boat" by Daniel James Brown (Penguin)
10. "Moving Target" by J.A. Jance (Pocket)

BOOKBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

NEW YORK

Lorrie Moore nominated for short story prize

Lorrie Moore is up for yet another short story prize.

The author of such acclaimed collections as "Birds of America" and "Like Life" is a finalist for the Story Prize, for which the winner receives $20,000. Moore was nominated for "Bark," which came out last year. Her previous honors for short fiction include the O'Henry Award and the Rea Award.

Other finalists announced Monday were Francesca Marciano's "The Other Language" and Elizabeth McCracken's "Thunderstruck." All three books were published by Penguin Random House. The winner will be announced March 4.

A separate prize was announced for Kyle Minor's "Praying Drunk," which received the Story Prize Spotlight Award for a book "deserving of further attention."

The Story Prize was established in 2004. Previous winners include Anthony Doerr and Edwidge Danticat.

NEW YORK

Elizabeth Gilbert book on creativity coming in September

Elizabeth Gilbert wants everyone to be in touch with their creativity.

The author of the million-selling memoir "Eat Pray Love" is working on "Big Magic: Creative Living Beyond Fear," coming from Riverhead Books on Sept. 22. According to Riverhead, which announced the book Monday, Gilbert will offer insights on "the mysterious nature of creativity" and how to live life with curiosity and imagination.

Gilbert's other books include "Committed" and the novel "The Signature of All Things."

NEW YORK

Promotions, realignment and departures at Penguin

The country's largest publisher is getting a realignment.

The Penguin side of Penguin Random House announced a wave of promotions and restructuring Tuesday, and a couple of departures. The changes include placing the Putnam and Dutton imprints under the leadership of Ivan Held, previously head of Putnam, and a new president and publisher of Viking, where after nine years Clare Ferraro is being replaced by Brian Tart. Ferraro and Lauren Marino, vice president and editorial director of the Gotham imprint, will be leaving.

Authors at Penguin range from young adult novelist John Green to historian Ron Chernow.

In a statement Tuesday, Penguin President Madeline McIntosh said the changes would draw upon "existing strengths" and lead to "future growth." Corporate spokesman Stuart Applebaum said there were would be no additional comment.

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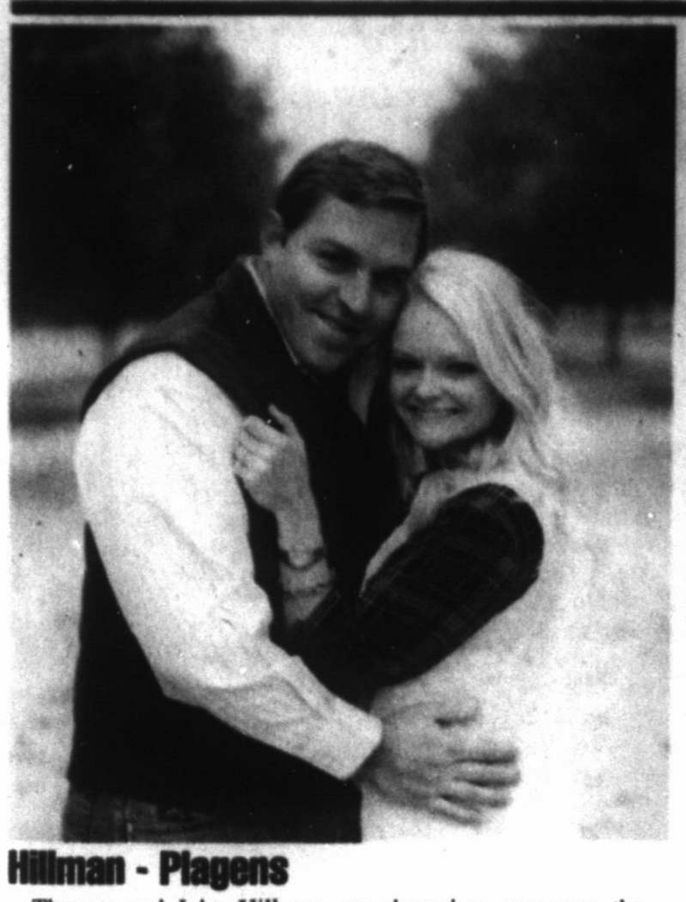


Hillman - Plagens

Theresa and John Hillman are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Mollye Elizabeth, to Andrew Edward Plagens, son of Connie and Bob Poulson of San Angelo and the late Douglas Plagens of St. Lawrence, Texas.

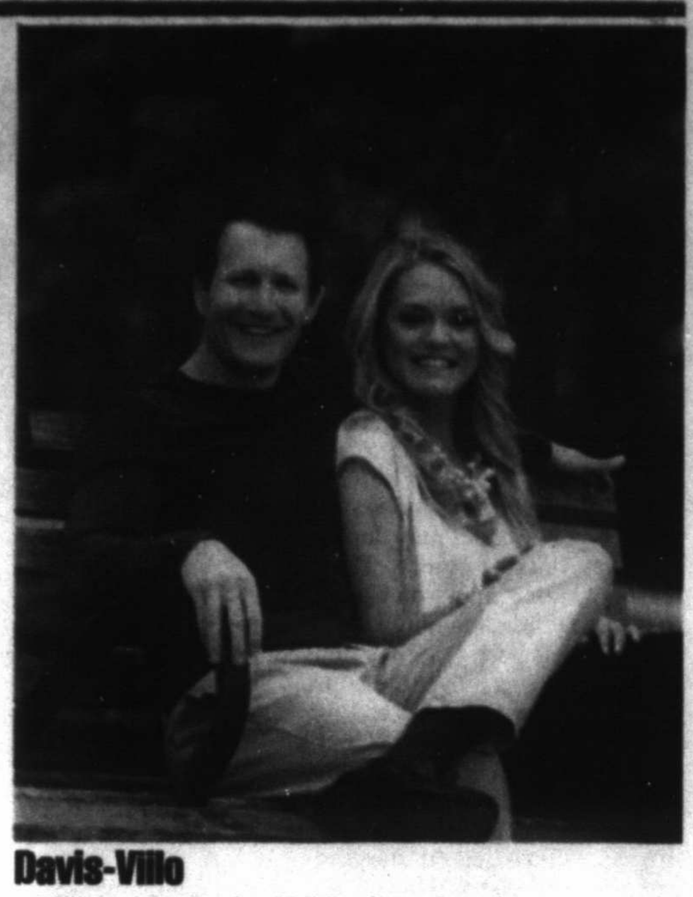
The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of Colleen Michael and Harlan Michael, Martha Ross, and the late Jesse Ross, all of Midland.

The prospective groom is the grandson of Bernadette and Ed Plagens of St. Lawrence, Dene Sheppard of Big Spring, and the late Billie Mac Sheppard.

Mollye graduated from Trinity School in 2007. In 2011, she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Spanish and a Bachelor of Science degree in Finance from Trinity University in San Antonio. Mollye is currently an independent landman in Midland.

Drew graduated from Garden City High School and attended Hardin-Simmons University, class of 2007, where he earned a Bachelor of Behavioral Science degree in Kinesiology. Drew works as an independent landman in Midland.

The couple will wed on May 9, 2015 at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Midland.



Davis-Viilo

Mike and Pat Davis of Midland are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Nikki, to Bo Viilo, son of Mike and Beverly Viilo of Alexandria, Virginia.

Nikki is a 2005 graduate of Midland Christian School. She received a BS degree in Petroleum Engineering from Texas Tech University in 2009 and is employed by ConocoPhillips in Houston as a Senior Reservoir Engineer.

Bo graduated from Bishop Ireton High School in Alexandria. He received a BS degree in Aviation Sciences from St. Louis University in 2005 and is employed by ExpressJet Airlines as a Captain.

After a March wedding, the couple will reside in Houston.

To submit wedding, engagement or anniversary announcements, email weddings@mrt.com or call 682-6222.

Jacqueline Kennedy's notes to designers up for auction

By Jennifer Kay
Associated Press

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — In private, even the stylish former first lady Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis admitted to tiring of the all-black attire long considered chic in New York City.

"I just love this suit & will wear it everywhere as I am SO sick of everyone constantly in black — like Mediterranean villages where everyone is in mourning for 20 years," she once wrote to Bill Hamilton, then the design director at Carolina Herrera.

The handwritten note — accompanied by her own sketch of a suit with a single-breasted jacket — is among a few dozen pieces of Onassis' personal correspondence making a rare appearance at auction Saturday in Florida.

The notes about clothes and furniture she was buying show the human side of the widow of President John Kennedy and tycoon Aristotle Onassis, said Rico Baca, auctioneer and co-owner of Palm Beach Modern Auctions.

"In these notes you get a sense of how someone famous can make the average person comfortable," said Baca, who is preparing the personal correspondence for auction Saturday. "She really did go out of her way to make people feel appreciated."

Mostly written on her signature blue stationery, all the notes end with the former first lady giving thanks for the work Hamilton and interior designer Richard Keith Langham did for her from the mid-1980s until her death in 1994.

Some notes offer Onassis' polite yet firm opinions on shoulder pads, the shape of a jacket, slim pant legs and the weight of chairs.

Hamilton remembers how Onassis would arrive for fittings with a peanut butter and jelly sandwich wrapped in aluminum foil in her handbag, ready to work through lunch to get the details right.

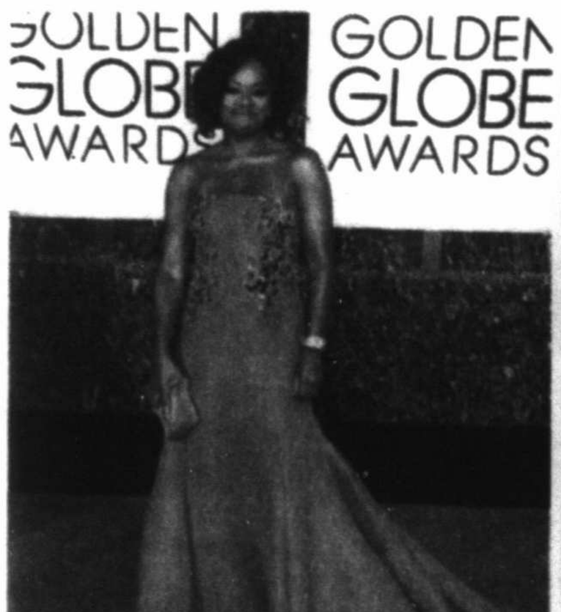
"To get the point across she would do drawings of ideas she wanted, from a canopy bed to a jacket. We spent a lot of time selecting fabrics," Hamilton said.

"She knew when she went out she had to look perfect," he said.

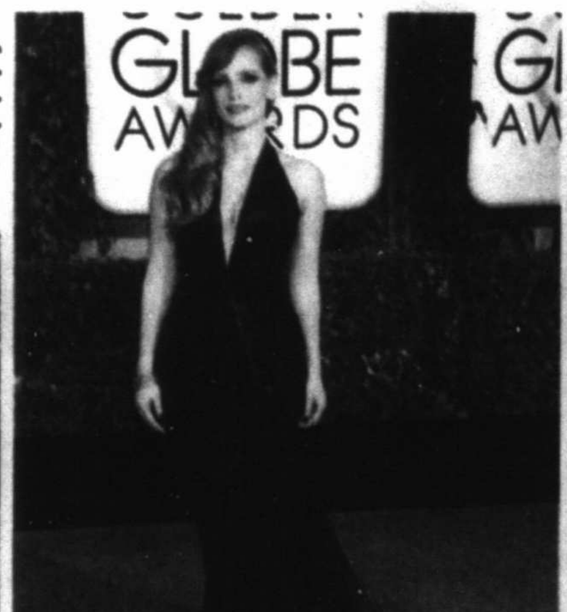
Other notes simply express Onassis' appreciation for work done by designers she considered friends.

"I hope life gives you back all the nice things that you put into it for other people," she wrote Langham on the back of a postcard of the Louvre in Paris.

Among the correspondence to Langham is a copy of a book about Onassis' restoration of the White House when she was first lady. "What fun it would have been to work with you then," Onassis said in an accompanying note.



Viola Davis



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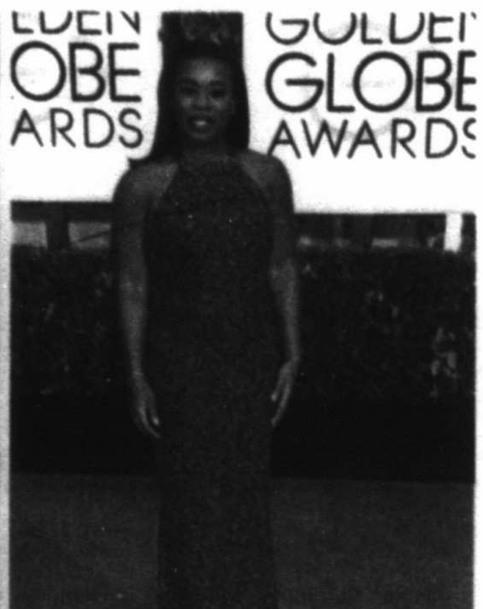

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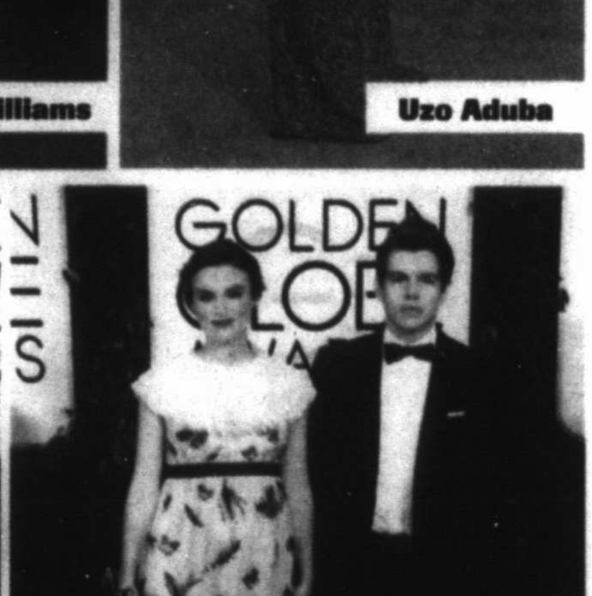
George Clooney, left, and Amal Clooney



Keira Knightley, left, and James Righton

Highs and lows in fashion from the Golden Globes

By Leanne Italie
Associated Press

NEW YORK — With lots of easy breezy makeup, minimal jewelry and loose hair, the Golden Globes opened the awards season with a red carpet chock-full of sparkly metallics, bright whites and dramatic reds.

Among those lauded by fashion pros Sunday night at the Beverly Hills, California, awards night was Julianne Moore as she led a parade of silver in custom Givenchy, Haute Couture by Riccardo Tisci. Her sequins faded to black and a cascade of feathers at the bottom.

"For me she was it. She looked amazing, but the metallic trend was debated all over social media. A lot of people see it as very flashy but I think it looks great because it's just a new, totally different texture and something that's more interesting than just the same old strapless gowns," said Eric Wilson, fashion news director for InStyle magazine.

Style and beauty expert Mary Alice Stephenson agreed, adding Emma Stone's sparkly silver-and-black Lanvin jumpsuit to her top five. It had a big floor-length sash at the waist, after all.

"Emma Stone broke a lot of rules and that's what Golden Globes fashion is about. It was this great respite from all the boring gowns. And her hair was down. It was superglamorous and a little bit edgy," she said.

Extending last year's red trend was standout Viola Davis in Donna Karan Atelier. Her sisters in sultry red included Allison Williams, Lena Dunham and Helen Mirren.

And there was plenty for us to love or hate, including a daring white Vera Wang Collection gown for "Gone Girl" co-star Rosamund Pike. She showed off midriff cutouts, a strappy barely there back and plunging neckline soon after giving birth.

The look was criticized by some as ill-fitting at the top but lauded by Aya Kanai, executive fashion director of Cosmopolitan and Seventeen, as "white hot and sexy." A chartreuse Gucci column gown worn by Naomi Watts with a knockout diamond Bulgari Serpenti necklace was a questionable color to others while she was lauded as a vision by Joyann King, editor of HarpersBazaar.com.

"I love how she took the classic Old Hollywood glamour equation — memorable hue, over-the-top jewels, red lip and Veronica Lake curls — and made it completely relevant on today's modern carpet," King said.

Ruth Wilson of "The Affair" stood alone in green, an edgy form-fitting Prada with a high neck and black-and-turquoise detailing.

Other highs and lows:

Jessica Chastain

The "A Most Violent Year" actress said it best of her ultra-shiny, plunging Atelier Versace: "My movie is about heating oil. It's like an oil slick so I was, like, it's perfect."

Amal Clooney

The awards season debut of George's bride was much anticipated. Her long, baggy white gloves with a black Dior Haute Couture one-shoulder gown and long Harry Winston earrings had lots of fingers tweeting.

"To glove or not to glove," laughed Stephenson. "It was a big moment. People had high expectations for what she was going to wear. I think the gloves were ill-fitting. Her hair was down and she had that train coming off the Dior dress and the long earrings. It could have been a modern Audrey Hepburn moment but it wasn't."

Uzo Aduba

Crazy Eyes was, in a word, awesome. The "Orange Is the New Black" co-star rarely disappoints on the red carpet. This time around she wore a halter-style beaded gun metal design by Randi Rahm with ruby touches and a crystal-embellished neckline.

"She just looked hot! Her hair looked great smoothed back," Kanai said.

Keira Knightley

She did not get the let's-flaunt-our-baby-bumps memo, showing up pregnant in a pale blue Chanel with a bib neck, tiers of ruffles at the bottom and appliques of butterflies and feathers.

"That was not a best-dressed baby bump," Stephenson said. "It was a little too "Little House on the Prairie."

Kanai demurred: "She was conservative and pretty for an expecting mother. She looked like she might have stepped out of a Jane Austen novel — in a good way!"

Kerry Washington

Usually solidly on point, she wore an of-the-moment midi length design by Mary Katrantzou. It was off-the-shoulder with pink and purple panels that were "too competitive with each other," King said. "A monochromatic color choice would have been better."

Stephenson agreed. "It was a little too pristine and buttoned up. She did not look comfortable."

Looking for big flavor without all the fat? Try soy chorizo

By Melissa D'arabian
Associated Press

Tucked away between the tofu "cheeses" and textured vegetable protein taco crumbles lies a tiny package you really should consider including in your lineup of go-to good-for-you ingredients — soy chorizo.

Vegetarian and vegan readers may well be nodding their heads as they read. Been there, eaten that. I know. But even if you are a steak-loving meat eater, soy chorizo is worth keeping on hand, even if you aren't normally a fan of pretend meat (as I am not).

Chorizo — the real deal, that is — is a spicy, fatty pork sausage oozing with flavor. Fresh (or Mexican) chorizo is most common in the United States, though sometimes you'll find the Spanish or dried version. Chorizo is used primarily to accent other ingredients, mixed in with scrambled eggs, sauteed with vegetables, or added to stuffings, stews or chilies.

Soy chorizo usually is a Mexican-style chorizo, and it's just as versatile and flavorful as the real thing. And like the pork version, it usually comes in tube-shaped sausage casings. Squeeze the chorizo out of the casings and it cooks up like ground meat. As it cooks, the chorizo imparts its wonderfully spicy, slightly fatty sauce that makes everything in the dish infinitely better.

But soy chorizo has less than half the fat and calories of pork chorizo. And since the flavor and texture of soy chorizo is close enough to the real thing, it's a caloric flavor bargain in my book.

In the spirit of Chinese New Year, I'm celebrating clams, which are said to represent financial fortune in the year to come. Enjoy these lucky clams in a just-spicy-enough soy chorizo broth, along with some bright, fresh kale. I took inspiration from classic steamed clams served with slabs of bread for dunking. A few toasty croutons on top sop up the brothy goodness without me resorting to downing an entire baguette.

This easy recipe is a perfect way to try soy chorizo for the vegetarian meat newbie, and it's a tasty way to bring a little extra luck this year.

Spicy clam and kale soup

You'll find soy chorizo in the grocer's refrigerated case alongside tofu and other vegetarian "meats." Some soy chorizo is packed in casings and crumbles easily when they are removed. Other varieties have a texture similar to chicken sausage and can be sliced or chopped for use in this recipe.

Start to finish: 30 minutes
Servings: 4

- 3 slices French or Italian bread, cut into 1-inch cubes
- Olive oil cooking spray
- Salt and ground black pepper
- 3 tablespoons butter
- 4 shallots, sliced
- 1/2 pound soy chorizo sausage, casings removed (if any)
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 teaspoon all-purpose flour
- 2/3 cup dry white wine
- 2 1/2 cups low-sodium chicken stock
- 1/2 cup water
- 3/4 bunch kale, stems discarded, chopped (about 1 1/2 cups)
- 2 pounds fresh clams, scrubbed
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1/2 cup chopped fresh parsley

Heat the oven to 350 F. Line a rimmed baking sheet with kitchen parchment or foil.

Arrange the bread cubes on the prepared baking sheet, then mist with olive oil, tossing to coat all sides. Sprinkle with salt and pepper, then toast in the oven until golden, about 10 minutes, stirring halfway through. Remove the croutons from the oven and allow to cool.

Meanwhile, make the soup. In a large, heavy saucepan or Dutch oven over medium heat, melt the butter. Add the shallots and cook, stirring often, until soft, about 5 minutes. Crumble the soy chorizo and add to the pot. Cook until lightly golden, about another 5 minutes. Add the garlic and cook another minute, or until very fragrant.

Sprinkle with the flour, then stir. Increase the heat to medium-high and add the wine, stirring constantly for about 1 minute to deglaze the pan. Add the chicken stock and water, then bring to a simmer. Taste and season with salt and pepper, as needed.

Stir in the kale, then gently add the clams. Cover the pot and let the clams steam just until they open, about 4 minutes, removing the clams as they open and discarding any that don't. Remove the pot from heat and stir in the opened clams. Stir in the lemon juice, then ladle into serving bowls. Top with croutons and parsley.

Think beer, German wines when pairing with Chinese takeout

Associated Press

What wine pairs best with Chinese takeout? Short answer: beer.

The truth is, typical takeout, with its bold flavors of ginger, chili and soy sauce, is enough to stump even the savviest sommelier.

"Having a Chinese wife and spending holidays eating my mother-in-law's cooking has given me plenty of opportunities to experiment matching wines to Chinese food, and it's not so easy," says Alder Yarrow, San Francisco-based founder of the popular site Vinography.com and author of "The Essence of Wine."

But there's hope for those who want wine with their wontons: Think German.

"The stuff in takeout Chinese that really wreaks havoc with wine is the spicy stuff, in particular heavy ginger and chili paste," says Yarrow. "But all but the most extreme concentrations of these ingredients can still find a nice match in lightly sweet riesling and off-dry gewurztraminer, (another German white wine), both of which are by far the best pairings with Chinese food around."

That is unless you're ordering General Tso's chicken, the sweet and spicy fried chicken dish that is an occasional guilty pleasure for Yarrow. "There's really no wine that can deal with the sweet, double-fried craziness of that dish."

But for the rest of the menu, here are some pairing suggestions from Yarrow and others.

■ **Riesling:** The overall go-to wine for Chinese takeout. Yarrow likes his at the level of sweetness designated as "spatlese." You'll find this on the label. Ditto for Andy Myers, master sommelier and wine director of chef Jose Andres' ThinkFoodGroup in Washington, D.C., who admits to being "a bit of a lunatic" about spatlese riesling and the duck noodle soup from Chinatown Express, a D.C. Chinatown institution.

■ **Sparkling:** Crisp and dry bubbly is another crowd-pleaser. Tamer Hamawi and Elise Rosenberg, principals and beverage directors of the Brooklyn restaurants Colonie and Gran Electrica, recommend sesame pancakes with Champagne and fortune cookies with moscato d'Asti, the Italian sparkler. And don't forget rose sparkling wines.

■ **Malbec:** Try this rich, red wine from Argentina with equally rich dishes, such as barbecued pork or spareribs, advises Yarrow.

■ **Mai Tais:** Skye LaTorre, beverage director of New York's restaurant group The Meatball Shop, recommends pairing sesame chicken with a mai tai.

Harmless bacteria causes 'floaties' in vinegar

HINTS FROM HELOISE

King Features Syndicate

Dear Heloise: I put some white vinegar into a pint canning jar. It's more convenient than pouring out of a gallon jug for quick uses. Why does it get floaties in it? I just rinse out the jar with hot water and use the same jar again. — A Reader, via email

The "floaties" you see are nothing more than "mother," which is not harmful at all. Don't panic or even pour them out. Mother is caused by natural bacteria that may develop after a bottle of vinegar is opened. Most vinegar we buy is pasteurized. Some other vinegars (nonpasturized or homemade) may develop feathery, floating objects. There's no harm in eating it, or you can strain it out, and the remaining vinegar is OK to use. I keep several gallons of vinegar handy all over the house. My favorite pamphlet is Heloise's Fantabulous Vinegar Hints and More, because it's just crammed with my special recipes and hints for you. To receive one, please send $5 and a long, self-addressed, stamped (70 cents) envelope to: Heloise/Vinegar, P.O. Box 795001, San Antonio, TX 78279-5001. Add a teaspoon or so of vinegar into a large vase of flowers to help them last longer. — Heloise

No explosion

Dear Readers: When cooking or heating certain foods in the microwave, you need to be extra careful so there is not an explosion. It's important to follow the directions. Most solid foods, especially whole potatoes, an apple or even a hot dog, need to be vented so steam will escape. You should pierce this food to release some moisture. Otherwise, you'll have a big mess to clean up. — Heloise

BBQ warning

Dear Heloise: My hint is more of a warning. My husband barbecued our dinner. He thought he was doing good by putting the hot pad he used back in the cupboard. While eating, we smelled smoke and thought it was someone else barbecuing.

We got up to clear the table and found smoke pouring out of the cupboard! The hot pad must have had a hot ember on it. Luckily, nothing caught fire, but we emptied the cupboard and had a lot of cleanup. Please warn your readers to keep hot pads outside until they are sure it is safe to put them away. — Lynne S., Oxnard, Calif.

Yikes! Who would have thought? How lucky that you were right there and had not gone away from home. Thanks for warning my readers. — Heloise

No help needed

Dear Heloise: I read your column every day in the (Punta Gorda, Fla.) Sun. I've had rotator-cuff surgery, so holding a mixer, breaking potatoes and mashing them is a strain. Now I use my sink, and I have a mat in there to prevent scratching. I place the bowl in the sink, and now my arms are lower. The added benefit is any splatters are in the sink area and can be washed down. — Sandy B., Punta Gorda, Fla.

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Man's interest in old flame is rekindled at 25th reunion

DEAR ABBY

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DEAR ABBY: I'm a happily married man with a great family that's mostly grown.

In high school I was infatuated with a girl, "Stacy," who was the center of attention, especially from the guys. As seniors we were close, but we never dated. When I left for college, we lost track.

In college I became involved with the woman who would become my wife. Before our wedding, I was at a friend's wedding, and Stacy and I danced several dances. Our chemistry was electric. I nearly broke up with my fiancee to see if Stacy and I could get together, but common sense prevailed.

At our 25th reunion, I saw Stacy again. She looked as good as ever. She is also happily married with a family. She gave me a hug that lasted a little too long, but was every bit as electric as our dance back then. Now I'm wondering what I have missed. Was the hug a signal or just the affectionate embrace of a good friend?

I'm afraid to contact her because I don't want to ruin my reputation or hers. We live in different states. Even if there is a spark there, I'm not sure we could sustain a relationship. But how do I get her off my mind? I'm tortured by the memories of the dance and the hug. — ROMANTIC TEXAN

DEAR ROMANTIC: Let common sense prevail again and quit playing with fire before someone gets burned. The next letter may offer you some insight:

DEAR ABBY: My ex-wife of more than 30 years reconnected with an old love from college through a social website. I was OK with it until I noticed she was getting obsessed with his chats. She kept saying they were just old friends and I should trust her.

It went on for months, until one day she forgot to close her chat session. It was obvious she regretted not marrying him and was reliving her past. We discussed it and I kept hearing, "Trust me, we're only fantasizing." It went downhill from there. We went through marriage counseling, but nothing changed.

What I learned through counseling is that an emotional affair may do more damage than an in-person one. While I thought I had a great marriage, she was thinking about what might have been with her first love. She wouldn't end the relationship and finally we divorced.

That was three years ago. He separated from his wife, and they lived together until she found out he wasn't the same person in real life that he was online or how she thought she remembered him from their youth. It didn't last, and he went back to his wife. My ex was sorry for what happened and wanted a second chance with me, but it was too late.

I'm now married to a wonderful woman I trust completely. My ex lost all she had except her memories of the 30 happy years we had together.

People need to understand how dangerous an emotional affair can be. The grass isn't always greener on the other side of the fence. Old flames change from who they were in their youth, and an online fling can be disastrous. — R.B. IN MASSACHUSETTS

Couple working to become foster parents

By Jeff Wiehe
The Journal Gazette

NORTH MANCHESTER, Ind. — They've been married for 2 1/2 years, are in their late 20s, live in a big enough house, are both gainfully employed and even have large extended families to help them out when needed.

Alyssa and Dustin McDowell have all the means to begin a family and have a child.

Except one: time.

"She just doesn't have nine months to cook one up," said Dustin of his wife, who teaches math in Peru and has her sights set on a career in a school system.

So the McDowells, who live in North Manchester, are taking an alternative route: They've begun the process of becoming registered foster parents in Indiana.

And like everywhere else in the country, foster parents are a constant need throughout the Hoosier state.

Some private foster agencies have emailed The Journal Gazette in recent months about the need for foster parents in the area, and state Department of Child Services officials said there is a constant need for foster care.

In Indiana, there are 5,408 foster homes licensed through the DCS. There are 10,729 children currently in the agency's out-of-home placement program.

Which doesn't necessarily mean there are thousands of children in need of foster care going without it, officials said. Some kids are grouped with siblings; some have been placed with relatives who are not licensed foster parents until a home opens up.

But those numbers do demonstrate a need for foster parents on a regular basis, officials said, partly because there are always children coming into the system and partly because of the high turnover rate when it comes to foster parents.

Some foster parents adopt the children they take care of and decide they can't foster anymore; others reach the limit of children they can take care of, and some simply leave the program for one reason or another.

"Fostering is not necessarily a lifetime gig," Tristyn Ryan, manager of the DCS's foster program, told The Journal Gazette.

For the McDowells, their path to wanting to become foster parents began with the idea of adoption.

Both are Christians — Dustin is a former youth pastor — and felt that signs were being thrown their way. Literally. Signs in yards promoting foster care; lines in television shows they'd watch about foster parents.

"We thought maybe it was God telling us since we want kids, maybe this is how," Dustin said.

The goal of foster parenting is not necessarily permanent placement of a child within the foster home. The goal is to give a child a safe place to be until a permanent place can be found for her or him — many times, state officials hope to place children back with their parents.

Some foster parents do end up adopting the children they care for, though. While that option might be possible for the McDowells down the line, they are going into their endeavor with the idea that they will give children a home while the adults in their lives get straightened out.

"We just want to help, to give them a place where they can be cared for while their parents get back on track," he said.

Foster parents receive a per diem stipend if they go through DCS, and that amount is usually based on a specific child's needs, state officials said.

Indiana also contracts with private foster agencies across the state through which people can become foster parents.

According to Ryan, many of these agencies provide "therapeutic" training to take in children with behavioral issues.

One hurdle facing state and private agencies alike is finding foster care for older children.

Words have power to hurt or uplift children

ANGIE MORRIS

Centers for Children and Families

Sticks and stones may break my bones, but words will never hurt me? Hardly. This saying has always baffled me. Words are powerful. Negative, hurtful words can have a much more devastating and lasting effect than sticks or stones. People tend to remember the negative critiques about themselves much more readily than they remember compliments. I once heard that for every negative comment a person hears, they must hear five or six positive comments to negate it.

Hurtful words can last a lifetime. When a child is told they will not amount to anything by a parent, teacher or any important adult in their life, the child will never forget. Hurtful words can have terrible consequences and can amount to verbal abuse. Verbal abuse can take numerous forms, for example: name-calling, belittling, bullying, swearing, insulting, indirect criticism (telling a third party), rejecting or threatening with abandonment, threatening bodily harm, scapegoating or blaming, using sarcasm or berating, according to a 2010 study on brain development.

It may be hard to equate sarcasm with verbal abuse, but for the child who does not understand sarcasm, the child only understands he or she is being put down. Children and adolescents who have been around verbal abuse may suffer from low self-esteem or self-destructive acts. For example, the child may resort to self-harming or the acceptance of unhealthy, abusive relationships. As we all are aware, young children and teens that are the constant target of bullying/verbal abuse have even resorted to suicide.

So how do we overcome this verbal abuse? We start by acknowledging that words are powerful. We must use our words in positive ways. Instead of using our words to hurt, we can choose to use our words to encourage and uplift one another. We can teach our children the power of words and how important and how far a kind word or thought can go. We must monitor our own language and the language of others in a positive way. It seems bullying and peer conflict are at an all time high. Let's teach our children to love and respect one another. One good, edifying word can bring joy and hope to those who need it most. When used correctly, words have the power to change the world.

I encourage you to be this change and use the power of words for good. If you are or someone you love is a victim of verbal abuse or any other type of abuse, please call our office and seek counseling. You can overcome negative thoughts and become encouraged by the power of words.

Angie Morris is a licensed professional counselor who has been with Centers for Children and Families since 2013.

Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

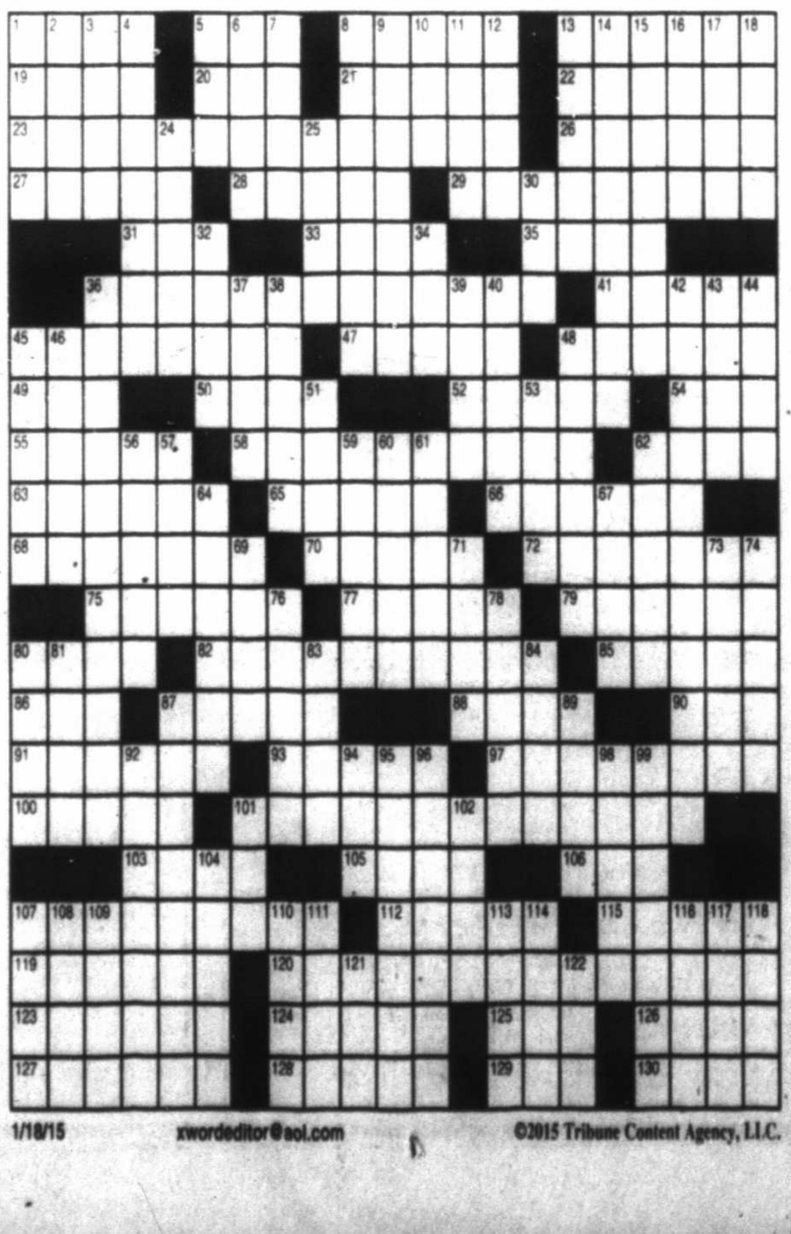
"CHLORINATION"
By MERYL
JACKSON

ACROSS

1 Clambake trash
5 Santa
8 Blue stone
12 briefly
13 Gastric maladies
19 Award that's a pronunciation of its initials
20 Curse
21 Solder, for one
22 Approached
23 "Whatever circus act floats your boat"?
26 Yacht spot
27 1983 rifle character who sings "Where Is It Written?"
28 ___ ain't quite as dumb as ...
"How Long" lyric
29 Now
31 Pro
33 Island east of Manila
35 First century Roman emperor
36 Assure satisfaction?
41 Bolts
45 Dazzle
47 ___-Croatian
48 Warehouse item
49 Sheikh Zayed was its first pres.
50 Brain matter
52 Jostle
54 Like Chopin's Étude Op. 10, No. 3
55 Hand truck user
58 Pen in Patna?
62 Rodent control brand
63 Olds models
65 "Beats me"
66 "The Path to Love" author Chopra
68 Taint
70 Actress Samantha
72 Mythical eagle-lion hybrid
75 Supporting words
77 Rimsky-Korsakov's "___ d'Or"
79 Chelsea's ___ Square, fashionable shopping area
80 Gideon Fell's creator
82 Loot from a shamrock heist?
85 Madre's milk
86 Storm dir.
87 Onslaught
88 Adams of "Octopussy"
90 Knight in a sitcom
91 "Toodles"
93 Reunion attendee
97 "Octopussy," e.g.
100 Body of rules
101 Movehouse that always cuts to the chase?
103 Remove
105 Iams competitor
106 Once named
107 High-rent game property
112 Ancient fabulist
115 Bugged a lot
119 Hard one to argue with
120 How some defensive boxing matches proceed?
123 Two-___
124 Monotonous piece
125 History book tome
126 Pretender of a sort
127 Revered Mother
128 Straw sources
129 Bow raw material
130 Sistine Chapel ceiling depiction

DOWN

1 Fragrance giant that went public in 2013
2 Wind with a flared bell
3 "Tres ___!"
4 Puget Sound city
5 Relaxed response
6 Vintage pop
7 Turning point
8 High-tops, e.g.
9 Like some shoes
10 Ramallah-based gp.
11 Only state with a two-vowel postal code
12 Dict. entries
13 Not realized
14 Lab regulation?
15 Kind of lane
16 Iroquoian people
17 Soap actress Sofer
18 11-Down neighbor, Abbr.
24 Lacking heat, to a cop
25 Showy lily
30 Trouble
32 Dress length
34 Côte d'Azur view
36 Devious golf course feature?
37 ___ operandi
38 Forecaster's concern
39 Explorer Tasman
40 Reliable
42 Mouse user's consideration?
43 Game with 80 balls
44 WWII weapon
45 Rash cause, perhaps
46 Author of epistolas
48 Fire inspirers
51 Score notation for two singers
53 Uncommon blood type, for short
56 Goof
57 It's not close
59 Brit's fireplace
60 Hot state
61 Team leader
62 Green Goblin portrayer
64 Coins
67 Dosage unit
69 Account
71 Go nowhere special
73 "I'd hate to be ___ shoes"
74 High-maintenance
76 Slopes challenge
78 Put down
80 "Street Signs" network
81 Novelist Seton
83 Word in a boast
84 Rapper Fiasco
87 Parts of writers' queries
89 "Bob & Carol & Ted & Alice" Oscar nominee Cannon
92 Right-angled flier
94 Nashville awards org.
95 "Live Young Forever" author Jack
96 Counts on
98 Lift
99 When to start driving?
101 Transp. group in the Loop
102 Peter of reggae
104 Radical
107 Under-one's-skin type
108 '40s film critic James
109 Big laugh
110 Soyuz letters
111 K thru 12
113 Opposite of buck
114 Ceremonial pile
116 Oklahoma's "Wheat Capital"
117 Crest
118 "Well ___ -"
121 Creator of Q and M
122 Crow cry



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GOREN BRIDGE

With Bob Jones

Pay attention

Both vulnerable. North deals.

	NORTH ♠ K 5 4 ♡ J 10 ◇ 7 6 ♣ A K Q 10 8 7	
WEST ♠ Q 8 7 ♡ 9 8 4 2 ◇ Void ♣ J 9 5 4 3 2		EAST ♠ J 10 9 6 ♡ K Q 7 6 ◇ 8 5 4 3 2 ♣ Void
	SOUTH ♠ A 3 2 ♡ A 5 3 ◇ A K Q J 10 9 ♣ 6	

The bidding:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1♣	Pass	2	Pass
3♣	Pass	4NT	Pass
5	Pass	7NT	All pass

Opening lead: Nine of ♡

South won the opening heart lead and counted 12 top tricks. There would be an easy 13th trick should the jack of clubs fall in three rounds or less.

The opening heart lead went to the 10, queen and ace. South led a club to the ace, hoping to drop the jack in three rounds. Bad news! South cashed the king and queen of clubs, discarding low hearts from his hand.

West held the jack of clubs, and it appeared that East held the king of hearts.

South saw that East-West would not be able to defend the position on the run of the diamond suit. Declarer did just that.

This was the position before the last diamond:

NORTH ♠ K 5 ♡ J ◇ Void ♣ 10	
WEST ♠ Q 8 7 ♡ Void ◇ Void ♣ J	EAST ♠ J 10 9 ♡ K ◇ Void ♣ Void
SOUTH ♠ A 3 2 ♡ Void ◇ 9 ♣ Void	

On the nine of diamonds, West discarded a spade. Dummy shed the 10 of clubs. East also discarded a low spade. Now a spade to the king and another back to his ace allowed South to cash the three of spades for his 13th trick!

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Jan. 18, 2015:

This year you exhibit unusual creativity and vitality. Your magnetism speaks to others and often draws results that you might not expect.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You could feel pressured by a responsibility to the point that you might be grumbling under your breath. Tonight: A must appearance.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ You'll break right past a hassle by detaching and seeing the situation from an outsider's perspective. Tonight: Follow the music. Celebrate!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ You suddenly might catch yourself snapping at a friend. One of you seems to have been carrying a grievance that has been building up for some time. Tonight: Out late.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ If you don't claim your power, you will feel like a puppet with someone else orchestrating your moves. Tonight: Decide whether you want to participate.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ Deciding to vanish might be a good change of pace for the social Lion. You'll recharge and have some thinking time. Tonight: Not to be found.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ You could be on top of a problem that is gaining steam without you even knowing it. Tonight: Enjoy life with the ones you love.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ You could feel pressured by a situation or a commitment involving your family. Honor your word, and do what is necessary here. Tonight: Order in.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ Who initiates a conversation won't be relevant, as long as you keep your eye on your objective. Tonight: Let the party begin!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ You might want to push a project to the finish line. Tonight: Call someone whom you have not seen in a while.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ You seem to be feeling much better than you have in a while. You know what you want. Tonight: You are on a roll.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ Make it OK to vanish and be unavailable. You generally make a big effort to accommodate others. Tonight: Screen your calls.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Zero in on what you want to do, which might involve bringing friends together for a fun happening. Tonight: Zero in on what you want.

BORN TODAY

Statesman Daniel Webster (1782), actor Kevin Costner (1955), author A.A. Milne (1882)

ANSWER TO TODAY'S 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	In Touch Ministries		GMA/Sunday		The Truth	House	J.Jones	This Week		Church	Paid	Paid
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Paid	Paid	Paid	M. Lyon	CBS Sunday Morning		FaceNat.		First Baptist Church		First Baptist Odessa	
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Abbott	Abbott	BackKotter	BackKotter	Gilligan	Gilligan	SaveBell	SaveBell	SaveBell	SaveBell	Brady8.	Brady8.
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Consumer	W.Minist	F.Hardin	Cowboy	Fox News Sunday		Odessa	FaithAve	Rain	Fellow.	Champion	
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	(5:00) Light of south		Walking	Stringer	In Touch Ministries		Zion	Day Disc.	R/Manusc	HaYesod	Nueva Vida	
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Paid	Secrets	Paid	Paid	Sunday Today (N)		Meet the Press (N)		First Baptist Church		TBA	Hockey
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	C.George	C.George	W.World	D.Tiger	Sesame	DinoTrain	DinoTrain	Peg + Cat	Cat/ Hat	Odd Squ	Wild K.	Arthur
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Conexion	Mercury	Hotel todo Incluido		Durmiendo mi jefa		Al punto		Republica deportiva			
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		JTV	JTV Direct	Spaces	Homeowne.	Green	Hazelton	O.House	HomeT.	Bucket	Trobador	Paid	Paid
PREMIUM	FLIX	340	65		165	Movie (:245)		The Black Hole (1979, Drama) Borgnine.		(:235)		The Big Kahuna		The Color of Money			
	HBO	300	68	14	14	Movie (:40) 1stLook		The Rite ('11, Dra) Colin O'Donoghue.				Jennifer Lopez: Dance Again		Veronica Mars Kristen Bell.			
	HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	P.Lupone	The World's End Simon Pegg.				(:235)		Girl, Interrupted		(:235)	The Grand Budapest H...
	HBO3	304	70	16	102	(:245)	Bedazzled			(:225)		Lovely and Amazing		Closed Circuit Eric Bana.		(:240)	The Devil Wears Prada
	MAX	380	71	17	120	24	(5:25)	Enough Said		(:15)		Miss Congeniality 2: Armed & Fa...		(:15)		The Internship Vince Vaughn.	(:20)
	MAX2	382	72	18	122		(5:05)	About Time		(:10)		Serenity Nathan Fillion.		(:10)		Breakdown	(:05)
	PLEX			96			(:20)	Thomas & the Magic Ra...		(:05)		Impromptu Judy Davis.		(:40)		Stepmom ('98, Dra) Julia Roberts.	
	SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	(5:00)	Bounce	Inside the NFL			Boxing Showtime Championship					Sports
	TMC	336	67	22	155	26	Movie	Reaching for the Moon Miranda Otto.						(:20)		The Last Shot	
CABLE	A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Dog B.H.	Dog B.H.	Critics' Choice Mov.	'20th Annual'		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		The First 48	
	AMC	40	21	23	42	51	Mad Men		Mad Men "Souvenir"					Along Came Polly Ben Stiller.		Coach Carter	
	BET	58	26		40		(5:00) BET Inspiration			Jones Gospel (N)		Lift Voice	Lift Voice	It's a Mann's World		The Color Purple	
	BRAVO	65	63		41		Housewives Atlanta		Girlfriends' Guide		Girlfriends' Guide	Beverly Hills		Beverly Hills		Thicker Than Water	
	CNBC	46	45		39	72	Paid	Paid	To Be Announced			Paid		Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
	CNN	43	24	51	30	56	New Day Sunday		New Day	Politics	State of the Union		Fareed Zakaria GPS		Reliable Sources		State of the Union
	DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Dirty Jobs		Dirty Jobs		Epic Private Islands		Epic Yachts
	DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	Jake	McStuffins	The 7D	Sofia 1st	Dog Blog	I Didn't	Austin	Liv/Mad	Dog Blog	Jessie	Dog Blog	Dog Blog
	ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter						NFL Countdown	
	ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	30Shorts	SEC "The Book of Manning"			Colin's Football (L)		OLines	Report		Golf Latin America Amateur Championship (L)		
	FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	Mirror Mirror ('12, Adv) Lily Collins.				The Mysterious Island				The Hunger Games			
	FNC	45	58	53	23	55	(5:00) FOX & Friends Sunday					Morning Futures		Media Buzz		News HQ	Housecall
	FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Rachel Ray's Week in		Barefoot	Table	Pioneer	Southern	Heart	Glada (N)	Big Bite	Brunch	Daphne	Rules
	FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	Fishing	Paid	OU BBall	OSSAA	Paid	Paid	NCAA Basketball Ok. St./Okl.				Game365	Polaris
	FX	31	31	59	64	69	Buffy "Two to Go"		Buffy Vamp. "Grave"		Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Gangs of New ...	
	HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	Lucy	I Love Lucy	Middle	Middle	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls		Just Desserts ('03, Rom) Lauren Holly.		
	HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	Buying and Selling		Buying and Selling		Buying and Selling		Buying and Selling		Buying and Selling		FlipFlop	FlipFlop
	HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Alaska "Blazing Trail"		Alaska "River Rage"		Alaska Road War.		Alaska Road War.		Alaska "Red Alert"		Alaska Road War.	
	LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	In Touch Ministries		Amazing	David Jer.	J.Osteen	Paid	To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced	
	MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Lockup	Business	Up With Steve Kornacki				Melissa Harris-Perry				Weekends-Alex Witt	
	NBCSN	38	39				MatchDay	Leauge Live (L)			EPL Soccer Hull City at West Ham United (L)				Bridge		EPL Soccer Arsenal at Manchester City (L)	
	NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Penguins	Parents	Rangers	Sponge	Bella "Newbie QB"		Sponge	Sponge	Ninja (N)	Ninja	SanJoseCr	Brdwnrs
	SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Paid Program		Paid Program		Power	Power	Power	Power	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
	SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	(5:00) Paid Program		Helix "San Jose"		Wrong Turn 5: Bloodlines Doug Bradley.							
	TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Friends	Friends	Friends		Tower Heist Eddie Murphy.				The Bourne Identity ('02, Act) Matt Damon.			
	TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(5:00) Show Boat		Turnabout				Fun on a Weekend					
	TELE	20	8	10	20		Pagado	Pagado	Raggs	Noodle	De chica	LazyTown	Pagado	Op. Repo	EPL Fútbol Arsenal at Manchester City (L)			
	TLC	51	33	32	28	52	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress
	TNT	24	23	40	26	50	(5:00)	Live Free or Die Hard			The Librarians		The Librarians				The Librarians	
	TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	(:10) G.Girls	(:50) G. Girls	(:25) The Nanny		Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Fam.Feud	Fam.Feud	Fam.Feud	Fam.Feud
	USA	26	30	42	27	49	Paid Program		Paid Program		NCIS "Chained"		NCIS "Twilight"		NCIS "Kill Art, Part 1"		NCIS "Kill Art, Part II"	
	WGN	19	18				Lord	Paid	Paid	Tomorr.	Walker, TR		Walker, TR		In Heat of Night		In Heat of Night	

SUNDAY AFTERNOON — JANUARY 18, 2015

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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	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	The Taste "Bring the Heat"				News	Paid
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Great Sports Legends		PBR Bull Riding		We Have a Dream				Sports Gone Wild		NFL Today	Football
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Brady8.	Brady8.	The Love Boat		Remington Steele		Streets Francisco		The Mod Squad		Hawaii Five-O	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	NFL Champ. Chase		NFL Pre-game (L)		NFL Football NFC Divisional Green Bay Packers at Seattle Seahawks (L)						NFL Post	Consumr
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Biblical	Mani Erfan	S. Baras	Sal.	Light of the Southwest		Best of Week		J.McGee	Dollars	House Call	Dr. R.B.
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	(11:30) NHL Hockey N.Y. R./Pit. (L)				Figure Skating		PGA Golf Sony Open (L)				Inside Ed.	News
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Cyberch.	Maya&M.	Fitness	W.L.Yoga	Knitting	Beads	Sewing	Peregrine	E.Smith	Wealth	News. (N)	America
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Los rostros "Lo mejor de"			Incluido	El Chavo Animado		Rosa Guadalupe		Como dice el dicho		Nacional	Noticiero
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Paid	Paid	Green	Homes	CARS.TV	AmAthlete	Entertainers		Flipside	Insider	Access Hollywood	
PREMIUM	FLIX	340	65		165	Playing God			(:35)	Homegrown				American Yakuza		(:10)	Billy Bathga...
	HBO	300	68	14	14	RoadTo	Bill Maher			The Other Woman Cameron Diaz.				The Great Gatsby ('13, Dra) Leonardo DiCaprio.			
	HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	(:20) Bottle: A Mile ('02, Dra) Eminem.				(:15)	Grudge Match Sylvester Stallone.				(:15)	The Whole Ten Yards	
	HBO3	304	70	16	102		Movie	Looking		The Life of David Gale			Together	(:45)		Erin Brockovich ('00, True) Julia Roberts.	
	MAX	380	71	17	120	24	Movie	(:50)		The Musketeer Justin Chambers.		(:40) Banshee				The Untouchables Kevin Costner.	Movie
	MAX2	382	72	18	122		(10:45)	12 Years a...		Blade ('98, Act) Wesley Snipes.				The 40-Year-Old Virgin		Jack the Giant ...	
	PLEX			96			(:55)	Gleason		Joe and Max Leonard Roberts.				Impromptu		(:20)	King Ralph
	SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	Sports		Last Vegas ('13, Com) Robert De Niro.			Failure to Launch				(:15)	Legally Blonde
	TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(:55)	Ironclad ('11, Act) James Purefoy.				The 13th Warrior		(:45)		Lucky Them ('13, Dra) Toni Collette.	Movie
CABLE	A&E	27	32	28	35	47	The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		The First 48		First 48 "Alias/ Duel"		S. Wars	S. Wars
	AMC	40	21	23	42	51	(11:00)	Coach Carter Samuel L. Jackson.				Insidious ('10, Hor) Rose Byrne, Patrick Wilson.				Terminator 3: Rise of the ...	
	BET	58	26		40		(11:00)	The Color Purple ('85, Dra) Oprah Winfrey.				It's a Mann's World				Madea's Big Happy Family Tyler Perry.	
	BRAVO	65	63		41		Thicker Than Water		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta	
	CNBC	46	45		39	72	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
	CNN	43	24	51	30	56	Fareed Zakaria GPS		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
	DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Epic Houseboats		Alaska	Alaska	Alaskan Bush People		Alaskan Bush People		Alaska/Frontier		Alaska/Frontier	
	DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	I Didn't	I Didn't	Jessie	Jessie	Austin	Austin	Girl	Girl	Austin	Austin	Mickey (:15)	Des...
	ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	(11:00) NFL Countdown		"Postseason"		PBA Bowling				ESPNPres	SnoopSon	SportsCenter	
	ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	NCAA Basketball S. Florida vs Connecticut (L)				NCAA Basketball Iowa vs. Michigan State (L)				Golf	ESPNPres	Poker World Series	
	FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	(10:00) The Hung...		The Blind Side ('09, Spt) Tim McGraw, Sandra Bullock.						The Proposal Sandra Bullock.			
	FNC	45	58	53	23	55	America's News HQ		Fox News Sunday		Journal E.	News HQ	Healthy	Housecall	Media Buzz		Fox News Sunday	
	FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Kitchen "Waste Not..."		Diners, Drive-Ins		Diners, Drive-Ins		Diners, Drive-Ins		Best. Ever. "BBQ"		WorstCooks	
	FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	NCAA Basketball Miami vs. Duke (L)				NCAA Wrestling W.Va./Okl. (L)				E. Games	Pre-game	NHL Hockey (L)	
	FX	31	31	59	64	69	(11:00)	Gangs of New York Leonardo DiCaprio.					The Fighter ('10, Bio) Mark Wahlberg.				Taken 2	
	HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	Bridal Wave ('15, Rom) Arielle Kebbel.				Recipe for Love Danielle Panabaker.				A Taste of Romance ('11, Fam) Teri Polo.			
	HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	FlipFlop
	HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Alaska "Tough as Hell"		Ax Men		Ax Men "Falling Fast"		Ax Men		Ax Men		Ax Men	
	LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	(11:00) To Be Ann...		To Be Announced				To Be Announced				Good Deeds	
	MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Weekends-Alex Witt		Meet the Press		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		CaughtCam "In Peril"	
	NBCSN	38	39				GoalZone	Match of the Day (L)	NCAA Basketball St. Jo./St. Bon. (L)				Bridge		NCAA Basketball Dayt./St. Bon. (L)			
	NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Thunder	Thunder	Thunder	Thunder	Thunder	Thunder	Thunder	Thunder	Sponge	Sponge	H.Danger	Nicky
	SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue				Casino ('95, Cri) Sharon Stone, Joe Pesci, Robert De Niro.			
	SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	Final Destination 3				Cabin Fever 2: Spring Fever Rider Strong.				Friday the 13th Jared Padalecki.			
	TBS	25	11	44	66	41	The Fast and the Furious Vin Diesel.				Fast 8 Furious ('09, Act) Vin Diesel.				Bash Hour 2 ('07, Act) Chris Tucker.			
	TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(11:45) The Bad and the Beautiful						Georgy Girl		(:45)		Fiddler on the Roof Chaim Topol.	
	TELE	20	8	10	20		Enfoque	Forced to Fight Peter Weiler.			The Jungle Book 2 (2003, Animated)				Noticiero	Op. Repo	Videos	Movie
	TLC	51	33	32	28	52	Boss "Frontier Airlines"		Undercover Boss		Boss "Mack Trucks"		Boss "White Castle"		Undercover Boss		Boss "Baja Fresh"	
	TNT	24	23	40	26	50	The Librarians		The Librarians		The Librarians		The Librarians				Transformers Shia LaBeouf.	
	TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	SoulMan	SoulMan	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
	USA	26	30	42	27	49	NCIS "Mind Games"		NCIS "Boxed in"		NCIS "Skeletons"		NCIS "Iceman"		NCIS "Leap of Faith"		NCIS "Chimera"	
	WGN	19	18				In Heat of Night		Heat Night "Triangle"		In Heat of Night		In Heat of Night		In Heat of Night		In Heat of Night	

SUNDAY PRIME TIME — JANUARY 18, 2015

For Complete Information Please Check Movie Listings

	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	America's Funniest Home Videos (N)		Galavant (N)	Galavant (N)	Resurrection "Steal Away" (N)		Revenge "Abduction" (N)		KMID News	(:35) White Collar	(:35) Paid Program	
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	(5:30) NFL Football AFC Championship Indianapolis Colts at New England Patriots Site: Gillette Stadium -- Foxborough, Mass. (L)						Scorpion "Forget Me Nots" (N)		News	(:35) The Wire	(:05) The Good Wife	
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Black Sheep Squadron		Columbo A seemingly bumbling detective solves murders.		M*A*S*H		The Man From U.N.C.L.E.		Mission: Impossible "The Legend"		Get Smart	Get Smart
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Mulaney (N)	The Simpsons	The Simpsons	Brooklyn 99	Family Guy	Bob's Burgers	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Modern Family	Modern Family	Jack Van Impe	Consum-er Corner
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Shepherd's Heart		Walking	All About Us	Light of the Southwest				Zola Levitt	Update News	Day of Discovery	Dollars & Sense
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Dateline NBC		Bridesmaids ('11, Com) Kristen Wiig. A broke woman tries to bluff her way through her best friend's bridesmaid rituals.						NewsWe-st 9 at 10	(:35) Reporter	Whacked Out Sports	
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Masterp. "Downton Abbey, Season Five"		Great British Baking "Desserts" (N)		Masterpiece Classic (N)		Manor of Speaking "Grantchester" (N)		Masterpiece	Bluegrass Unde	Backstge "Sugar Ray and the Bluetones"	
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Aqui y Ahora		Nuestra Belleza Latina (SP)				Sal y pimienta		Familia P. Luche	Noticiero Univision	Tras la Verdad	
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Ent. Tonight		Castle		Scandal		The Closer		Anger M.	M&M	Office	N'Game
PREMIUM	FLIX	340	65		165	(5:10)	Billy Bathga...	The Color of Money						Blaze ('89, Dra) Paul Newman.			Medicine Man
	HBO	300	68	14	14	Blended ('14, Com) Adam Sandler.				Girls (N)	Together	Looking	Girls	Together	Looking	Girls	Together
	HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	Bill Maher		Rio 2 Jesse Eisenberg.			The Grand Budapest Hotel				Grudge Match	
	HBO3	304	70	16	102		Winter's Tale ('14, Fant) Colin Farrell.			Closed Circuit Eric Bana.			1stLook		The Devil Wears Prada		
	MAX	380	71	17	120	24	(5:30) Devil's Due		Transcendence Johnny Depp.				Pacific Rim ('13, Act) Idris Elba.			Lingerie	Lingerie	
	MAX2	382	72	18	122		(5:00) Jack the Gi...		Banshee	(:50)	Charlie's Angels		In Bed		Life Top	Riddick ('13, Sci-Fi) Vin Diesel.		
	PLEX			96			(5:20)	King Ralph	Stepmom ('98, Dra) Julia Roberts.					(:10)		She Devil	(:50)	The Gate Louis Tripp.	
	SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	Shameless		Episodes	Lies	Shameless (N)		Lies (N)		Episodes	Shameless	Lies	Episodes
	TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(5:25)	The Last Shot	Sinister ('12, Hor) Ethan Hawke.						Hard Candy Patrick Wilson.		The Power of Few	
CABLE	A&E	27	32	28	35	47	S. Wars	Storage W.	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	Wild Tr.	Wild Tr.	S. Wars	S. Wars
	AMC	40	21	23	42	51	(4:30) Terminator...		X-Men ('00, Sci-Fi) Hugh Jackman.						X2: X-Men United ('03, Sci-Fi) Patrick Stewart.			
	BET	58	26		40		(5:00) Madea's Bi...		The Game		It's a Mann's World		Husbands	Husbands	Husbands	BET Inspiration		
	BRAVO	65	63		41		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atl. (N)		Thicker Than Water (N)		Housewives Atlanta		Watch (N)	Queens	Housewives Atlanta	
	CNBC	46	45		39	72	Rich	Money	60 Minutes		60 Minutes		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed	
	CNN	43	24	51	30	56	CNN Newsroom		Anthony Bourdain		A. Bourdain "Scily"		Anthony Bourdain		A. Bourdain "Spain"		A. Bourdain "Peru"	
	DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Alaska/Frontier		Alaska: Exposed (N)		Alaska/Frontier		Alaskan Bush People		Alaska/Frontier		Alaskan Bush People	
	DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	(5:15) Despicable ...		Austin (N)	KC Under	StarEvil	Liv/Mad	Girl	Dog Blog	I Didn't	Austin	GoodLuck	GoodLuck
	ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	(5:00) SportC	30 for 30 "The Price of Gold"			SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter		NFL PrimeTime (L)		SportsCenter	
	ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	ITF Tennis Australian Open First-Round Site: Melbourne Park -- Melbourne, Australia (L)											
	FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	Movie	Pitch Perfect ('12, Com) Anna Kendrick.					You Again ('10, Com) Kristen Bell.			J.Osteen	Jeremiah
	FNC	45	58	53	23	55	FOX Report Sunday		Huckabee		Fox News Reporting		Stossel		Huckabee		Fox News Reporting	
	FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Guy's Grocery Games		Guy's Game (N)		Cutthroat Kitchen		Cutthroat (N)		Cutthroat Kitchen		WorstCooks	
	FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	(5:00) NHL Hockey Dal./Chi. (L)			Stars Live	WPT Poker		Snowb'rd	Xterra	Icons	School (N)	WPT Poker	
	FX	31	31	59	64	69	(5:00)	Taken 2		Premium Rush							Darkness Falls	
	HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	The Sweeter Side of Life Kathryn Morris.				Bridal Wave ('15, Rom) Arielle Kebbel.				G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
	HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	FlipFlop	FlipFlop	Bargain	Bargain	Life (N)	Life (N)	IslndLif	IslndLif	H.Hunt	House	Life	Life
	HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Ax Men		Ax Men		Ax Men (N)		(:05) Alaska War. (N)		(:05) Pawn	Pawn S.	Ax Men	
	LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	(5:00) Good Deeds		Whitney ('15, Bio) Yaya DaCosta.				To Be Announced		To Be Announced		Whitney ('15, Bio) Yaya DaCosta.	
	MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Caught on Camera ...		Pot Barons		Pot Barons		Pot Barons		Lockup		Lockup	
	NBCSN	38	39				NHL Live! (L)		NHL Hockey Buffalo Sabres at Detroit Red Wings (L)					Overtime	Sports Report (L)		Match of the Day	
	NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Bella "Newbie QB"		Rabbids	Rabbids	Full House	Full House	Fresh P.	Fresh P.	Friends	Friends	(:50) Ray	(:50) Ray
	SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	(5:00) Casino		Scarface ('83, Crime Story) Michelle Pfeiffer, Steven Bauer, Al Pacino.								Carlito's Way	
	SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	A Nightmare on Elm Street		6 Souls (2010, Horror)								The Apparition Ashley Greene.	
	TBS	25	11	44	66	41	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	The Fast and the Furious Vin Diesel.			
	TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(5:00) Fiddler on ...		To Kill a Mockingbird				(:15)		Duel in the Sun ('46, West) Gregory Peck.		Movie	
	TELE	20	8	10	20		(5:30) Bambi Los Angeles Aaron Eckhart.			Top Chef Estrellas		Suelta		Titulares	Op. Repo	Parts on la Mira	
	TLC	51	33	32	28	52	Under Boss "Johnny"		Sister Wives	Sister Wives (N)		FatBack "Part 1" (N)		Sister Wives		Fat and Back "Part"	
	TNT	24	23	40	26	50	(5:00) Transformers		The Librarians (N)		The Librarians (N)		The Librarians			The Librarians		The Librarian...
	TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens	Friends	Friends
	USA	26	30	42	27	49	NCIS "Recoil"		NCIS "About Face"		NCIS "Nine Lives"		NCIS "Caged"		NCIS		NCIS	
	WGN	19	18				Black Hawk Down ('01, Act) Eric Bana, Josh Hartnett.						Wrestling	Wrestling	Salem "In Vain"		Bones	

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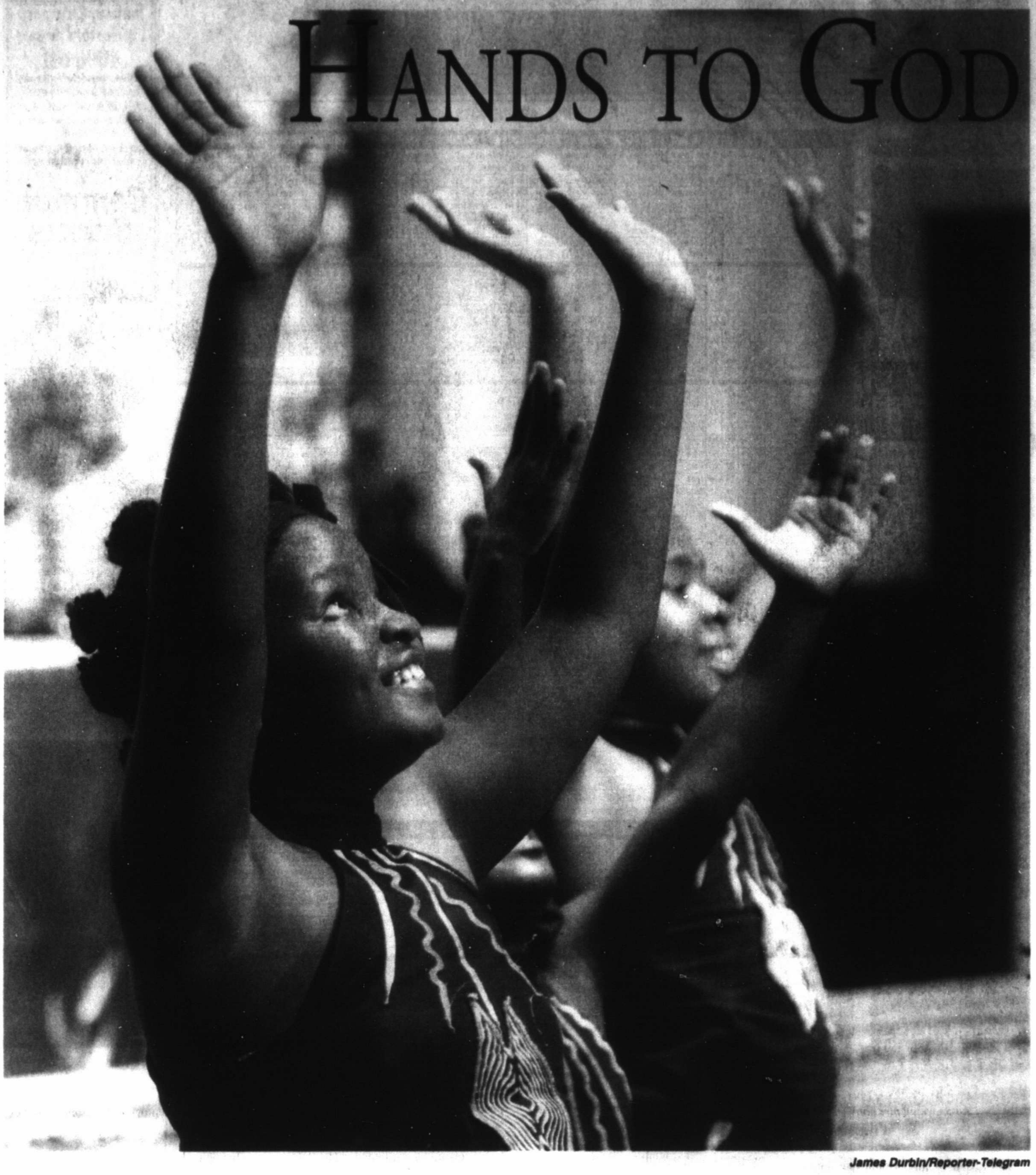

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Asante Children's Choir performs Wednesday at The Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity.

CALENDAR

Compiled from staff reports and from the Arts Council of Midland | acmidland.org

TODAY

Odessa Art Association art demonstration, 2:15-4:40 p.m. at Ellen Noel Art Museum. 697-2965.

"Seven Brides for Seven Brothers," 7:30 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

MONDAY

Midland Community Band's weekly meeting, 7-9 p.m. at Midland College Fine Arts Building Band Hall. New members always welcome. Call Walter McClure at 260-7136.

TUESDAY

Bridge lessons, 6-8 p.m. Tuesday and 1-3 p.m. Wednesday at Allison Bridge Center. 685-4518.

Marfa Public Radio's "Nature Notes," 8:35 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. every Tuesday-Thursday. KXWT-Midland/Odessa-91.3 FM.

Permian Basin Dance Club with live country-western band, 7:30-10 p.m. at St. Stephen's Catholic Church ballroom, 4601 Neely Ave. 520-4343.

THURSDAY

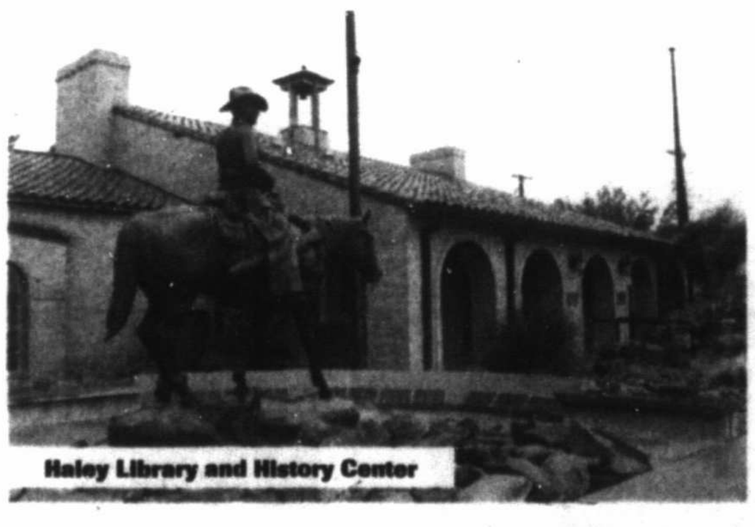
Ernesto Calderon, 6:30-9:30 p.m. at The Wine Rack. winerackmidland.com.

FRIDAY

Crashmaster Monster Truck Show, through Jan. 25 the Horseshoe. midlandhorseshoe.com.

SATURDAY

MOSC Masterworks 3 "There's a Good Chance You'll Love Strauss," 7:30 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.



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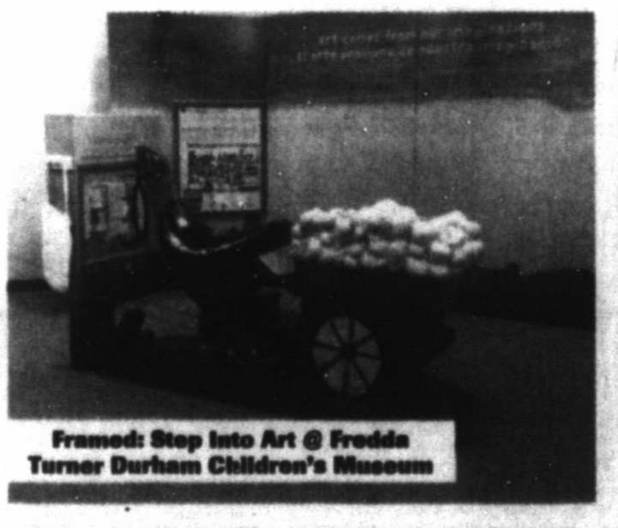


Framed: Step Into Art @ Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum

Diane K. Browne @ Community National Bank Lobby

ON DISPLAY

ArtiZen Outlet gallery space and co-op. 436 Andrews Highway. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday. artizenoutlet.com.

ArtQuest Studios: Reserved Studio Time. $35 per month. 700 Andrews Highway. heronartconnection@sbcglobal.net. 553-0420. www.artquestbx.com.

Blakemore Planetarium's permanent exhibits are open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Closed Sunday and Monday. Sky shows throughout the week.1705 W. Missouri Ave. 683-2882.

The Ellen Noël Art Museum. Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free. www.noelartmuseum.org. 550-9696.

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum's exhibit "Framed: Step Into Art" through Feb. 1. Permanent exhibits include "My Town," "Beach Babies" and "Touch of Sound." Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m., Admission charged. 1705 W. Missouri Ave., 683-2882.

George Bush Childhood Home's tours and gift shop hours are 2-5 p.m. Sundays and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturdays. Admission charged. 1412 W. Ohio Ave., 685-1112

Haley Library and History Center's hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Free. 1805 W. Indiana Ave. 682-5785

Kamiposi Gallery. 510 S. Big Spring St. 230-0256. Facebook.com/kamiposi.

Midland Arts Association presents the artwork of Diane K. Browne in the Community National Bank Lobby, 401 W. Texas Ave., during January.

Midland County Historical Museum's exhibit honoring World War II veterans in cooperation with the Texas Historical Commission's three-year program. Permanent exhibits: Native American artifacts; early Midland photos and relics; replica of Midland Man discovery; early obituary files available for research, 301 W. Missouri Ave. 2-5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Free. 682-2931 or 688-8947.

Midland County Historical Society's Z. Taylor Brown-Sara Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland. Open by appointment. 213 N. Weatherford St., 682-5447.

Museum of the Southwest's exhibit "The People of Taos" through Feb. 8. Permanent exhibits include Taos Master: Taos Society of Artists collection. MSW Sculpture Park has 14 sculptures on display. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. $5 adults, $3 children. 1705 W. Missouri Ave., 683-2882. museumsw.org.

Nancy Fyfe Cardozier Gallery, UTPB. Free and open to the public. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 2-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

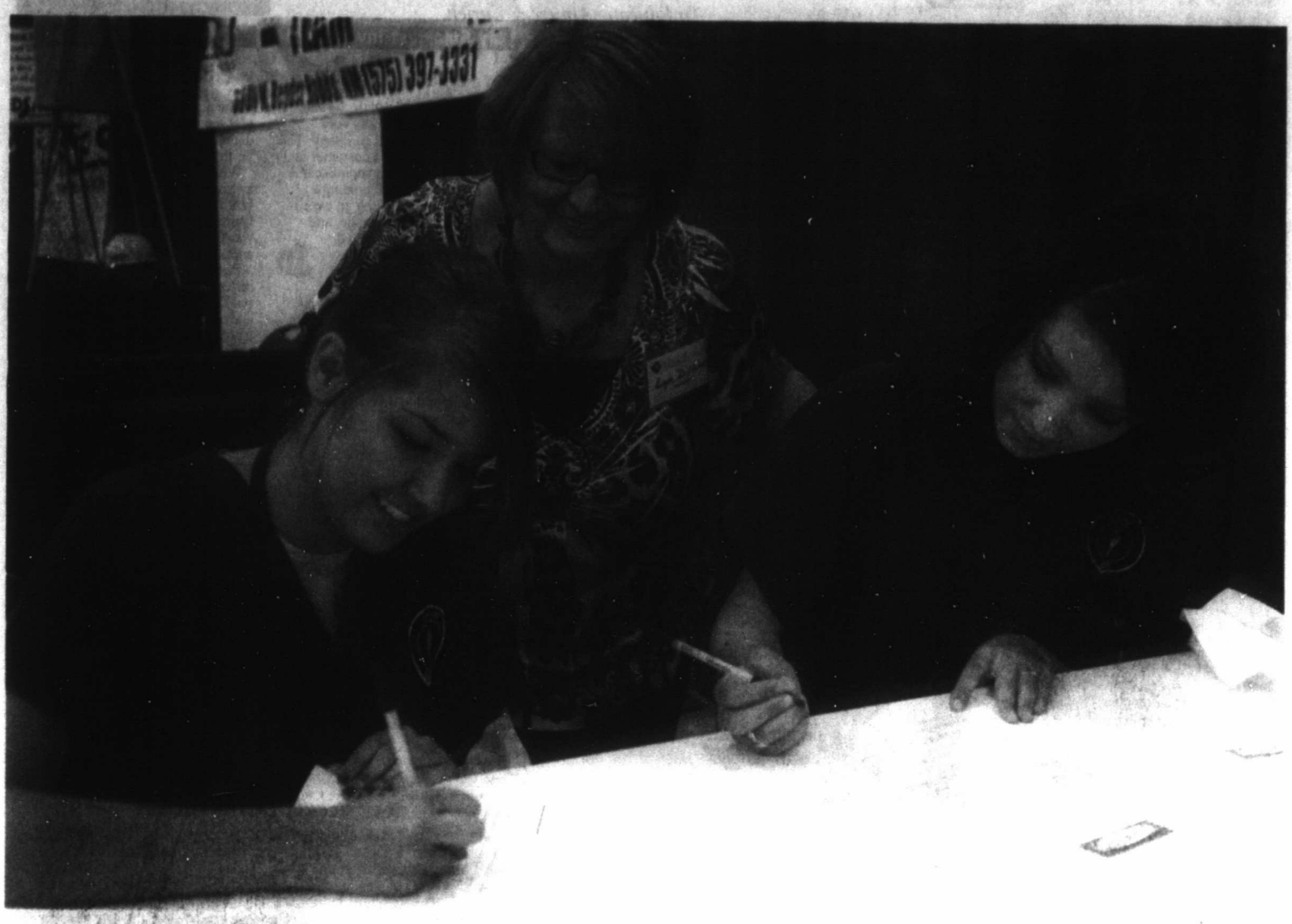
Options Gallery, Odessa College, 201 W. University Blvd. Free. 335-6640.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, Library and Hall of Fame is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 2-5 p.m. Sunday, 1500 Interstate 20 West, 683-4403.

Scarborough-Linebery House is open by appointment and available for rental for weddings and other special occasions. 802 S. Main St. 685-7366.

Arts Council of Midland is accepting artists' applications for Celebration of the Arts, March 27-28. Applications are due Jan. 20. zapplication.org.

Arts Council of Midland maintains a calendar of all submitted arts-related activities. To submit events see use form from www.acmidland.org.



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Lyn Dillard, manager of Dustee's, talks with Lucy Villegas and Natalie Lujan as they fill out information April 20 at the Midland Reporter-Telegram Career Fair at the Horseshoe.

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Communication, culture key in good and bad times

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Record-low unemployment that regularly led the state, and at times the nation, has had Midland employers scrambling to recruit and retain employees in recent years.

Today, that scenario has changed as plunging oil prices have working Midlanders worrying about the security of their jobs.

Both scenarios are relevant to the upcoming workshop titled World-Class Talent Selection and Hiring: How to Recruit, Hire and Retain Right-Fit Employees, which will be presented by the Midland Chamber of Commerce.

The half-day workshop will be 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Thursday at Midland Center. More information is available by calling the chamber at 683-3381.

Mike Donnelly, 'Chief Experience' Officer of Donnelly Effect LLC, said he has personal experience with concerns about job security.

He was working at The Walt Disney Company when the 9/11 attacks happened; he recalled when calling from his Annapolis, Maryland, office.

"No one was traveling; no one was staying at our hotels. Everyone was worried about layoffs," he said.

He credited communication by the company's leadership with helping employees through that uncertain period. "In the absence of good communications, employees will make things up, and often it's bad," he pointed out.

As the company weathered the downturn, projects were put on hold. Also, a number of the employees were cross-utilized. That accomplished two goals, Donnelly said: It staved off layoffs, and those employees learned new things about the company.

Communication, whether about tough times facing the company or good things facing a new employee, is one of the six key insights he said he plans to share with his Midland audience. Those insights can be applied to for-profit or nonprofit organizations and companies large or small, regardless of the industry.

The topic is important because people spend more time at work than with their own families, making coworkers a second family, Donnelly explained. "The decisions we make in recruiting, hiring and keeping people is important."

Each insight will be illustrated and then applications discussed, a program that can be done in a variety of locations.

"What does it look like in Midland with oil prices falling and clouds on the horizon?" he asked.

When encouraging employees to stay during tough times, the key is to connect with them emotionally, Donnelly said.

"Leverage the story of the organization, tell how it started, what conditions were when it started. Offer the past, present and future of the organization," he said.

He advised doing the same when recruiting new employees.

Another insight he took way from Disney — as well as at Papa Johns International, where he designed a recruiting and hiring process — was how it leveraged its college internship program, which has grown to more than 4,000 interns each semester. The program has a kick-off event and includes mentors and senior executives as sponsors, all within a set time frame. That helped fill the leadership pipeline, he said. It also prevented job burnout — he acknowledged that a lot of the jobs at Disney could be repetitive — and provided a steady supply of fresh interns. And if graduates came back to the company, management already had a work record, reducing the risk of hiring "fresh off the street."

And a new employee's first day on the job should never be one of filling out forms and going over policy manuals, Donnelly said.

"They should be saturated with corporate culture," he said. "So many companies miss the opportunity to make a good first impression." They should tell the new employee about the culture of the organization, how it was founded, where executives hope to take it in the future.

"There are so many great organizations with great stories out there," Donnelly said. And, since this is his first visit to Midland, he said he looks forward to hearing them.

Names in the News

DALLAS

Midlander named to Fed Bank El Paso Branch board

DALLAS — **Richard D. Folger** of Midland has been appointed to the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas' El Paso Branch board of directors by the Federal Reserve Board of Governors in Washington, D.C. He will serve a three-year term ending Dec. 31, 2017.

As a board member, Folger will provide input on regional economic conditions as part of the Federal Reserve's monetary policy functions.

Folger is president and CEO of Warren Equipment Company, a privately held Delaware corporate holding company. He also is chairman and director of each Warren Equipment Company subsidiary.

The El Paso Branch board consists of seven members, four appointed by the Dallas Fed and three by the Federal Reserve Board of Governors in Washington, D.C.

Buckner names new director for Midland

Jordan Parnell has been named the new executive director for Buckner Children and Family Services in Midland, charged with leading the organization's ministries for vulnerable children and families in the Permian Basin.

Parnell will oversee the operations of Buckner Family Place and Buckner Foster Care and Adoption Services, as well as church and community collaboration in Midland and El Paso. Parnell joined the Buckner team Dec. 8.

He comes to the role of executive director after serving as a mitigation specialist for the Regional Public Defender's office for Capital Cases.

DALLAS

J-W Energy announces promotions

J-W Energy Company is announces the promotion of **David A. Miller** to president of J-W Energy Co. In addition, **Richard T. Clement** has accepted the additional responsibilities of president of J-W Midstream Co.

"These strategic initiatives will allow Tony Meyer to focus on the integration of the previously announced acquisition of the assets from BHP Billiton, as he was acting both as the president of J-W Midstream Company and the president of J-W Operating Company," commented Howard G. Westerman, chief executive officer of J-W Energy Co.

Miller has provided legal representation for J-W Energy Company and its subsidiaries since 1976, recently serving as senior executive vice president.

Clement will continue to retain his position with J-W Energy Co., he will primarily focus on the midstream business. Joining the company in 1984, he has held numerous positions in management, gas marketing, operations, pipeline and gathering, compression, exploration & production and administration. He most recently served as executive vice president of J-W Energy Company, where he has been responsible for risk management, business development, business processes, and health, safety and environmental affairs.

From staff reports

US economy faces challenges but short-term outlook is positive

THE ECONOMIST
By M. Ray Perryman

Over the past year, the U.S. economy has been generating net new jobs at a rate which has finally led to a meaningful reduction in unemployment, which stood at 5.8 percent in November. The Perryman Group's latest short-term projections call for a continuation of this positive trend, with ongoing economic expansion through 2019 (barring an unforeseen major shock). While most areas will likely see improvement over the next five years, expansion will be uneven, both in terms of geography and industry. Here are some of the key patterns affecting economic performance, as well as our latest short-term forecast.

Given the return to growth in the national economy, the Federal Reserve System has ended quantitative easing (QE) implemented during the downturn. The point of QE was to inject liquidity into the economy in response to rapidly worsening economic conditions during the recession. As the Fed purchased bonds, dollars were released into the financial system, helping push down interest rates in an effort to stimulate investment and consumption and, hence, help the economy recover.

Between the fall of 2007 and late 2009, the U.S. economy shed almost 9 million jobs (from about 138.4 million to 129.7 million). Without QE, the losses would likely have been far worse. It took almost five years to get back to the number of pre-recession jobs from the trough, and without QE it could have been much longer (although monetary policy is not the best tool for this purpose). Recent stability in the economy led to the decision to stop the program. However, the recovery is still not robust enough to risk backing off too far too fast and sending the U.S. backsliding toward another recession. Rather, the Fed is expected to pursue a course toward a slow return to more normal conditions. Monetary conditions remain accommodative, and interest rates are expected to remain low. The success or failure of the Fed in timing its future actions will be a crucial factor in economic growth.

In spite of recent progress, lingering problems stemming from the major job losses during the recession will continue to slow the pace of expansion, particularly in some geographic areas of the United States. Although the job situation has clearly improved, there are still problem areas. The number of unemployed persons stood at 9.1 million in November, with millions more underemployed. In addition,

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Ask the Fool

Timing Social Security

Q Is it better to start receiving Social Security benefits early, on time or late? — *A.K., Butler, Pennsylvania*

A It all depends on you and your circumstances. Collecting early means your monthly payments will be smaller, but you'll receive payments for more months. (A payment beginning at age 62 instead of age 67, which is the "full" or "normal" retirement age for those born in 1960 or later, is much smaller, but you'll get 60 extra payments.)

If you have any reason to believe you won't live a long time, starting early can be best, but it can also make sense for other folks. After all, money you receive early can be invested, or can permit you to leave other investments in place longer. Also, some people have little choice; they simply need the income before retirement age.

There's a significant upside to delaying your benefit, though: For every year that you delay it up to age 70, the value of your payout rises about 8 percent. That's not a small sum, and it can add up considerably over a few years. Given that many of us will live a very long time, waiting can be worth it.

There are other considerations, too. If your income surpasses a threshold, part of your benefits will be taxed. If you plan to work a little before your retirement age, your benefits may be temporarily withheld. Consider the question from many angles, and perhaps consult a financial planner as well.

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Q What's a very basic introduction-to-investing book? — *J.E., Lexington, Kentucky*

A Try John Bogle's "The Little Book of Common Sense Investing" (Wiley, $23) or "The Elements of Investing" by Burton Malkiel and Charles Ellis (Wiley, $23).

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Mutual Funds' Hidden Costs

Here's something strange: Back in 1945, there was about $700 million invested in mutual funds, and the industry collected $4.7 million, or 0.8 percent of that, in fees. Recently, though, about $13 trillion sits in mutual funds, and investors are forking over twice as much in fees: 1.6 percent, or more than $200 billion. What's going on? Well, fees and costs, some spelled out, some hidden, are adding up.

• One cost comes from too much trading. Many actively managed mutual funds have "turnover ratios," representing how rapidly their managers buy and sell stocks, of 80 percent to 100 percent. That means close to the entire value of a fund (sometimes billions of dollars' worth) is traded over the course of a year. This results in commission costs and more indirect costs from the frothy buying and selling of various stocks, which can move a stock price.

The lesson: Favor lower turnover ratios, such as 30 percent or less.

• Another cost is taxes. If a fund is generating a lot of short-term gains, those typically face higher tax rates than long-term gains, which are taxed at 15 percent for most folks. Fund investors also foot the tax bill for bond interest payments and dividend income generated by fund holdings.

The lesson: Check out the tax efficiency of any fund of interest, perhaps at **Morningstar.com**.

• Our own behavior can cost even more than the factors above, because many of us tend to buy high, when stocks or funds have been rising a while, and sell low, when they've fallen. One study found that over 15 years ending in mid-2013, large-cap blended funds averaged annual returns of 4.5 percent, while investors in them during that period earned just 2.59 percent.

The lesson: Be rational and disciplined.

All together, these fees and costs can significantly hurt your investment performance. Learn more about mutual funds at **fool.com/investing/index.aspx**. For deeper insights, check out **foolfunds.com/insights**.

My Smartest Investment

Trusting Myself

Back in the mid-1980s, when I started investing, I was very impressed by a small company, The Home Depot. I was a customer and also an investor, as it soon became one of my core stock holdings.

Back then I was using an expensive full-service brokerage, and when the Gulf War arrived, I was urged to sell all my stocks, as a stock market implosion was expected. I did, and nothing happened. I was livid, as it caused me to owe taxes on my gains and to lose money.

I bought back my Home Depot stock and changed brokerages. The new one also encouraged me to sell some of it and to diversify more. I never did, and now I'm a millionaire! — *R.P., Arizona*

The Fool Responds: You're smart to trust yourself. The stock market will indeed crash now and then (though no one knows exactly when), but it has always recovered. Thus, it's a good place for long-term money.

Diversification is important, though. It's risky if any single holding makes up a big chunk of your portfolio. Home Depot has increased some 500-fold since the mid-1980s.

Do you have an embarrassing lesson learned the hard way? Boil it down to 100 words (or less) and send it to The Motley Fool c/o My Dumbest Investment. Got one that worked? Submit to My Smartest Investment. If we print yours, you'll win a Fool's cap!

The Motley Fool Take

Give Stock a Whirl

The name "Whirlpool" might suggest something headed down the drain, but the Whirlpool company is far from that.

Whirlpool struggled for years following the Great Recession, with U.S. home sales down and Europe facing financial crises. The end result was fewer people buying big appliances for their homes.

Fast-forward to today for a far different scenario. The U.S. housing market is in good (if not great) shape, and consumers face near-record-low lending rates to buy new appliances, including washers and dryers. In Europe, we've seen the housing market stabilize, which has reduced pressure on Whirlpool's overseas results.

Look ahead, and things really get exciting. A mixture of acquisitions — acquisitions have been a core component of Whirlpool's strategy — and rebounding European and U.S. housing markets are expected to drive Whirlpool's earnings significantly higher through 2018.

Whirlpool is keeping its expenses under control, and it plans to continue to reward those who stick around for the long term. Since early 2011 it has increased its dividend payout three times, and it recently yielded 1.6 percent. Its forward-looking price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio is 11, well below its five-year average of 15.

With brands that include Maytag, KitchenAid, Jenn-Air and Amana, Whirlpool is a household name, an appliance juggernaut, and an attractively priced growth stock to consider for your portfolio.

FOOLISH TRIVIA

Name That Company

In 1984, my founder sold his 1972 Camaro Z28 for $2,800 to help save his father's tavern, and began selling pizzas out of the back of the bar. In 1985 he opened his first restaurant in Jeffersonville, Indiana. Today, with more than 4,600 restaurants, including 1,200 in 36 foreign countries and territories, I'm the world's third-largest pizza delivery company. I rake in about $3 billion annually from both company-owned and franchised locations and am a sponsor of the NFL and Super Bowl. More than 50 percent of my U.S. sales come from digital and mobile orders. Who am I?

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LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA ANSWER

I was incorporated in 1888 as the Pittsburgh Reduction Company, and the next year I introduced a light, bright tea kettle that conducted heat well. I introduced aluminum foil in 1910. Today I'm a leading global producer of primary aluminum, fabricated aluminum and alumina, engaged in mining, refining, smelting, fabricating and recycling. I enable smart buildings; high-performance defense vehicles across air, land and sea; more fuel-efficient vehicles; deeper oil and gas drilling; and more efficient power generation. I can turn a four-ton truckload of dirt into a ton of aluminum – enough to make more than 60,000 soda cans. Who am I? (Answer: Alcoa)

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Energy stocks: Buy low or get out of the way?

By Stan Choe
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK — Bargain hunting can be a thrill, but remember that it can also be dangerous.

Brave investors are picking through energy stocks, looking to buy those pummeled by the plunging price of oil. Billions of dollars flowed into energy-stock funds last month, a huge leap from the norm, enticed by prices marked down by 25 percent or more since last summer. But many mutual-fund managers and other professional investors have a warning for the bargain hunters: Don't be surprised if it takes years for the prices of energy stocks to fully recover.

Buying low is one of the bedrocks of value investing, and energy stocks are certainly less expensive than a year ago. But many money managers are waiting for them to fall even lower. In the meantime, they've pulled out of the way and are content to rubberneck.

At the center of the debate is the cascading price of oil. After hitting a peak around $107 a barrel in June, the price has dropped by more than half and settled Thursday at $46.25. Supplies are more plentiful due to increased U.S. production, while weak economies in Europe and elsewhere are pulling down on demand.

Cheaper oil means there will be steep cuts in the profits of energy companies. Analysts expect earnings for those in the Standard & Poor's 500 index to plunge about 30 percent in 2015.

Searching the bargain bin

When the price of oil began its slide last summer, investors fled. For three straight months, they pulled money out of mutual funds and exchange-traded funds that specialize in energy stocks. The selling hit a height in September, with a net withdrawal of $2.3 billion, according to Morningstar.

But investors soon tip-toed back into the group, and the buying exploded last month when net investment in energy funds surged ninefold from November to $3.2 billion. On its own, the Energy Select Sector SPDR ETF attracted a net $2.1 billion.

It's not clear yet who is doing the bulk of the buying, but David Mazza has seen interest from private banks and investment advisers who manage money for relatively wealthy individuals, ones willing to make investments they don't intend to touch for years. Mazza is head of ETF research at State Street Global Advisors.

"Oftentimes in times of stress, opportunities arise," Mazza said. "This doesn't mean energy stocks and energy ETFs are right for everyone, but if someone has a longer-term point of view and is trying to move against the tide, investors are beginning to see there might be an opportunity."

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David Mazza, State Street Global Advisors

Waiting for the thud

Should I also try to buy low on energy stocks? It's one of the most common questions that Bob Doll, chief equity strategist at Nuveen Asset Management, hears from clients.

He tells them that it's best not to try to catch a falling knife. Let energy stocks hit bottom first, because they're likely to get even cheaper.

Many pros are doing just that. A global survey of fund managers last month found that they had sharply cut the percentage of their portfolios kept in the energy sector, relative to their benchmarks, according to Bank of America Merrill Lynch.

"What the energy-stock sector needs is not just higher oil prices but also stability in oil prices," said James Liu, global market strategist at J.P. Morgan Funds.

Even if oil magically jumped to $80 tomorrow, energy stocks would likely remain unsettled because investors wouldn't believe that price is sustainable. Some oil production would need to shutter in order to get a better balance of supply and demand, and that takes time.

Investors looking to buy energy stocks now should expect to hold them for at least two or three years, Liu said. "Unless you can really commit to that window, I think there's too much volatility in the short term for investors."

This decline for oil is unlike others because it's due more to a glut of supply than a drop-off in demand, said Margie Patel, who manages $1.4 billion in stocks and bonds at Wells Fargo Asset Management. That's why she is skeptical of some analysts' expectations for the price of oil to find a bottom and bounce back in the second half of this year.

Past declines due to an oversupply of oil have been followed by long recovery periods. In 1986 crude oil started the year around $26, before losing more than half its value by the spring. It didn't get back to $26 until more than four years later.

"Over the next few years, the sector may have much more muted growth than we saw a couple years ago," Patel said.

Lamar Villere, a portfolio manager at Villere & Co., which manages $3 billion in assets, has also been selling shares of his energy stocks on the rare days that they've been up.

"We're not leaving the sector," he said, "but there's just this massive, uncontrollable question mark in terms of the price of oil."

Economist

From 1F

wages have not yet begun to rise in most occupations. Over time, however, slack in the labor market will be absorbed and wages will begin to rise if current patterns persist.

Advances in drilling and recovery techniques (hydraulic fracturing, in particular), together with a high price environment, contributed to a surge in oil exploration and production activity over the past several years. As a result, crude oil and lease condensate production topped levels not seen since the 1980s. The oil industry has been a key driver in business activity and the overall economy, particularly in states with newly recoverable shale and other tight formations such as Texas, North Dakota, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Ohio, West Virginia and Pennsylvania. For the nation as a whole, lower oil (and, therefore, fuel) prices are linked to higher economic growth. However, recent sharp declines in the price of crude oil will curtail activity if they persist, particularly with regard to exploration and opening new production areas. (The Texas economic forecast will be the topic of an upcoming column, with greater detail on the potential fallout from the oil price decline.)

International uncertainty is still curtailing performance, with the potential for escalation in military conflicts in several regions and financial instability in Russia and parts of the European Union. To the extent that these problems worsen, U.S. economic performance could be affected.

Changes in the domestic political landscape could also affect the economy. The recent elections could lead to changing priorities with potential effects (both positive and negative) for the economy. Other major debates are likely in the areas of immigration and the Affordable Care Act.

On balance, our most recent forecast calls for relatively healthy expansion in the U.S. economy over the 2014 to 2019 time horizon. Real gross product is likely to expand by almost $2.9 trillion to reach $18.9 trillion (a 3.37 percent compound annual rate of growth). More than 12 million net new jobs are expected to be created over the period, and real personal income levels are projected to grow at a 3.53 percent annual pace.

As we move into 2015, the national economy is facing significant challenges. However, the underlying conditions are far better than in the not-too-distant past. I hope that the coming year brings each of you health, happiness and prosperity.

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Umbrella policies offer biggest bang for the buck

ASK DAVE
Dave Ramsey, financial expert

DEAR DAVE: I follow you on Twitter, and I was wondering if you recommend buying an umbrella policy. If so, how much? — *Dean*

DEAR DEAN: If you've started to win with money and build some wealth, an umbrella policy is some of the cheapest insurance you can buy. It's just about the biggest bang for your buck.

Here's an example. In most states, you can get an extra $1 million in liability coverage added to your car insurance and homeowners insurance as an umbrella policy for as little as $200 a year.

There's no problem if you don't have any money. But if you've got some cash, and you bump into somebody, it's a really good thing to have that extra umbrella insurance policy in liability situations!

DEAR DAVE: My son is in his thirties and has been married for seven years to a girl from a wealthy family. Her parents provided them with a lot of financial support over the years, but now they're getting divorced and he has come to us for the money to make this happen. On top of all this, when we ask him why he doesn't have the money he tells us it's none of our business. We don't like his attitude, but we're not sure what to do. — *Dee*

DEAR DEE: This is a grown man we're talking about, and if he's going to take on the lifestyle and actions of a grown-up he needs to act like one and take care of his responsibilities. I understand he's your son, and he's hurting right now. Still, it takes a ton of arrogance to beg money from someone and tell them the reason they don't have it is not their business.

If he seriously wants to get into some financial counseling and start becoming accountable for his money — to himself and to you — then you might consider helping him out financially. But at this point, you're giving a drunk a drink if you just hand him money because he wants it.

Anyone can make a mistake, Dee. But it's not your job to fund his irresponsible behavior or his arrogance!

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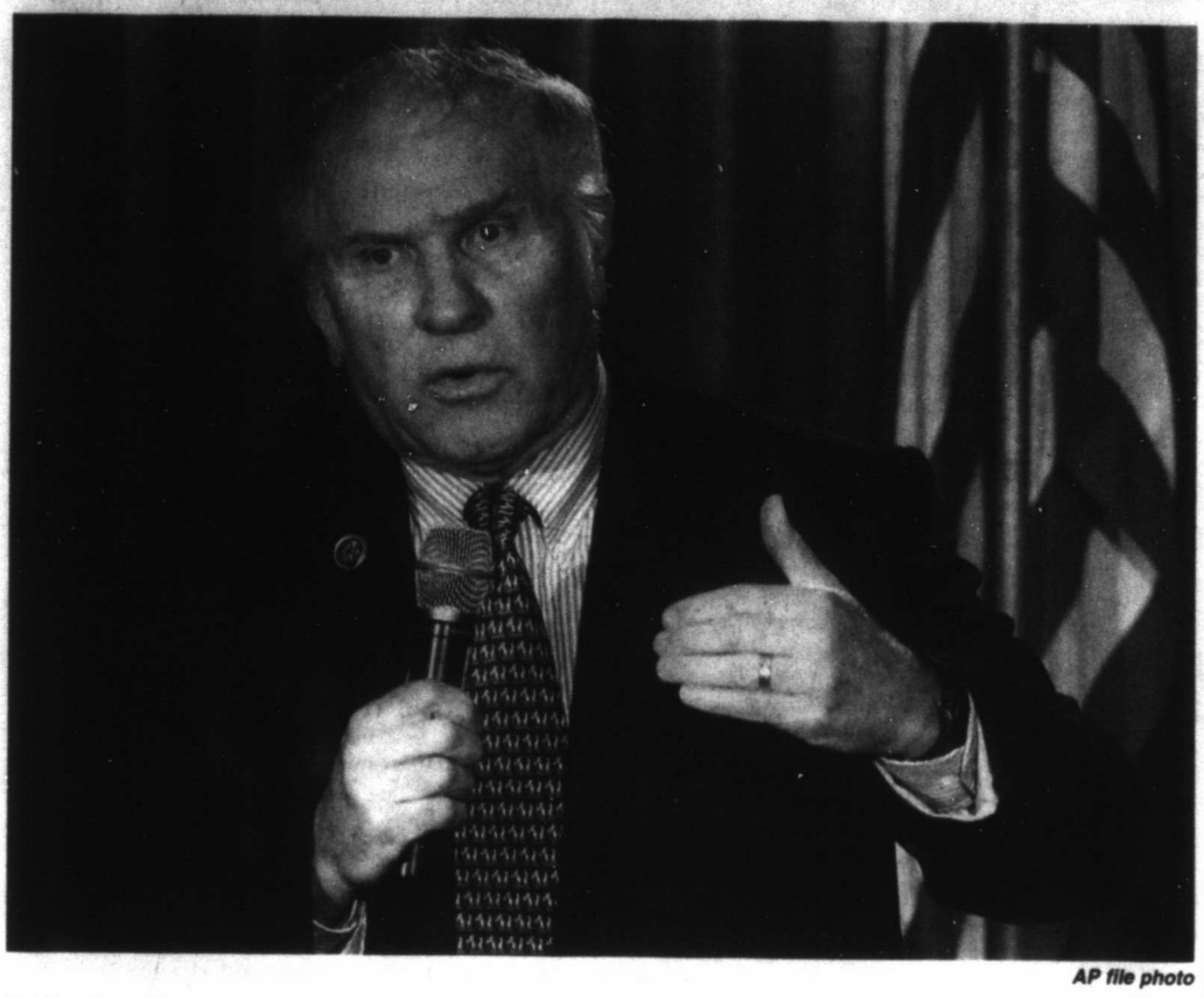

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On May 29, 2013, U.S. Rep Steve Chabot, R-Ohio, speaks at a gathering of tea party activists in Cincinnati. Chabot, who became chairman of the House Small Business Committee when Congress took office last week, plans to continue the committee's focus on how the government burdens small companies.

Taxes, regulations targets for new House committee chairman

By Joyce M. Rosenberg
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Cutting regulations and taxes are on Rep. Steve Chabot's must-do list for small businesses.

The Ohio Republican, who became chairman of the House Small Business Committee when Congress took office last week, plans to continue the committee's focus on how the government burdens small companies.

"If there's one thing government can do for small business it's to get the heck off their backs," Chabot said. "We do over-regulate them. We do overtax them."

Priorities

Chabot plans to hold hearings to advocate for small businesses, as did his predecessor Sam Graves, R-Mo. Chabot said the committee will focus on the health care law and regulations issued by the IRS and Environmental Protection Agency.

Chabot also plans to push for tax relief for small businesses. He noted that when the Republican-led House passed tax bills in the past, the legislation stalled in the then-Democratic led Senate. He's looking for more progress in a Congress now controlled by the GOP.

"We think we have a much better chance at advancing a whole range of tax reform issues," Chabot said.

Among them: a drop in personal tax rates as well as corporate rates and a permanent increase in tax deductions on equipment and property purchases. Chabot also wants an end to the estate tax, which has forced some families to sell a business when the owner dies because they don't have enough cash to pay the government.

But he doesn't expect Republicans to get a free ride. Democrats have enough seats in the Senate to block legislation. And President Barack Obama has made it clear he'll continue to use executive orders to make policy changes like one he issued last year to shield about 4 million immigrants from deportation.

While the committee acts as an advocate, its primary jurisdiction is over the Small Business Administration. Chabot wants to see the agency's lending process streamlined to make it easier to get loans.

"It's cumbersome, it takes too long, there's far too much paperwork. It just intimidates a lot of people," he said.

Background

Chabot was first elected to Congress from Ohio's 1st District in 1994, served until he lost his seat in 2008 and won it back two years later. He has been on the Small Business Committee for his entire 18 years in Washington.

His district borders House Speaker John Boehner's. The two men have a good relationship, Chabot said.

Legislation Chabot sponsored in the last Congress included bills to make permanent the prohibition against state and local government taxes on Internet access and to increase the amount of investor money available to small companies under the SBA's Small Business Investment Company Program. Neither bill made it to the floor of House.

Before Congress, Chabot ran a small business, a solo law practice. He recalls getting a taste of the kinds of government regulations he wants to see less of.

"It was the paperwork. You're just inundated with reporting to the federal government," he said.

Report card

Chabot gets good grades from small-business advocates for what they call his genuine concern about companies and willingness to work with both Democrats and Republicans.

"He's not overly ideological. He's someone who's pretty pragmatic about the needs of small business," said Todd McCracken, president of the National Small Business Association.

Chabot showed his sensitivity to small-business concerns during committee hearings, said Kevin Kuhlman, director of legislative affairs with the advocacy group National Federation of Independent Business.

"He asks good, substantive questions and just keeps an open mind and just listens to the answers," he said.

When outside factors dictate retirement age

By Elizabeth Olson
N.Y. Times News Service

For many, deciding to retire can be as straightforward as reaching Social Security eligibility age or amassing a solid nest egg. But for others mulling over when to stop work, there are other powerful, if less measurable, considerations like life expectancy, changing technological demands of the workplace and fear that age bias will limit continued employment.

When Mike C. Miller, a personal injury lawyer, was deliberating his retirement decision, the question of how long he might live was a recurring theme. He recently resolved to step away from his two-person practice in Marshall. At 55, he has had health problems — he's a smoker and has had prostate cancer.

"What's on the top of my mind," he said, "is that my dad retired when he was 61, after 40 years as a school administrator, then he died the following May, about eight or nine months later."

"As I get older, I see some echoes of his experience," he said, "and that helped me make up my mind to retire." With his two daughters nearing the end of their educations, Miller said, "I can afford it now, as long as I don't spend whole hog."

Miller can expect, on average, to live about 30 more years, according to government statistics.

Merely because people can continue to work into their 70s and beyond, though, "does not mean that longer work lives are a reasonable option for all," said Sara E. Rix, who analyzes retirement issues for the AARP Public Policy Institute.

"We may think we have a pretty good idea of how long we will live judging from the age of death of a parent or grandparent of the same sex," she said, "but we can't rule out dying well before then and before we eventually retire."

Individuals who expect to live until they are 75 or older often delay their retirement target date, according to a 2014 study by the Center for Retirement Research at Boston College, typically to add to their retirement savings.

"There is so much push to work longer — it's practically a mantra — but sometimes if you have a health history or a family health history, you need to take that into account in making the decision to retire," said Alicia H. Munnell, the center's director.

Seeing friends die early helped prompt Patrick Hale and his wife, Gina, both 58, of Jacksonville, Florida, to come up with a plan to retire at 62, despite having fine health, "good genes," plenty of stamina and solid jobs as public schoolteachers.

"It's an eye-opener when you see someone pass away from a brain aneurysm," said Hale, a science teacher and avid bicyclist.

Like his wife, who teaches music appreciation and music history — and who plays tennis regularly — he comes from a long-lived family.

"Sure, there are challenges in the workplace," he said, "but we have a plan to work another three years, until mid-2018, and then start the next chapter of our lives."

While optimism or pessimism about their expected longevity can influence the timing of retirement, other challenges like technology can precipitate a permanent departure from working. Many reaching retirement age today have not had routine exposure to the media tools that are becoming regular features of current offices.

Sally Shelburne, 73, of Washington, said technology changes hastened her retirement two years ago from the National Gallery of Art, where she was a staff lecturer.

Technology began to upend how art and other museums were providing information to visitors, and the scheduled gallery talk began to seem more old-fashioned. Multimedia devices opened up ways to package visual, audio and video information for museum-goers to use on their own timetable.

"As audio guides and smartphones became more prevalent," Shelburne said, "I began to feel we were a bit of a declining breed. You could see the handwriting on the wall."

For those who can do it, having a fallback plan for unforeseen difficulties is ideal. For example, Miller in Texas has given himself some leeway to make sure he is making the right decision to leave his job. He is taking a three- to six-month sabbatical from his law firm, leaving himself the option of returning to work part time if money is tight or if he is bored as a retiree.

Of course, "I own the practice," he said with a chuckle. Even so, he's not eager to return, noting "there's nothing healthy about my job. It's a lot of stress."

Gov't policy change aims to help first-time homebuyers

By Alex Veiga
Associated Press

Here are three things to keep in mind if you're considering applying for a home loan backed by Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac or guaranteed by the FHA:

The fine print

The FHA's new 0.85 percent mortgage insurance premium is lower, but remains higher than historic norms. The rate was initially increased to raise FHA capital reserves, which took a hit during the housing crisis.

And the rate cut will do nothing to change the eligibility requirements for FHA-backed loans.

Not all borrowers will qualify for the 3 percent down payment on a home loan guaranteed by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac.

Under the terms announced last month, borrowers must have enough income to afford the monthly payments. And the rate is only good on homes that will be used as the borrowers' primary residence. Borrowers also will have to pay for mortgage insurance.

Freddie Mac's version of the loan program also requires that borrowers earn less than the median income.

Bank lending standards

FHA, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac have their own definition of a qualified borrower, but banks often go beyond these standards, raising the threshold for what it takes to qualify for a home loan.

Banks do this to shield themselves from the possibility that they might have to buy back loans they sell to the government should the loan go unpaid. That can happen if the government determines that the lender failed to vet borrowers' creditworthiness properly.

The government has taken steps in recent months to clarify for banks the type of scenarios that would trigger a loan buyback in the future. That could motivate some banks to remove the additional credit standards imposed on government-backed mortgages.

Save by paying more

The low down-payment programs offered by government-backed loans help borrowers buy a home for less money upfront, but they can cost more over time, particularly when one factors in the cost of private mortgage insurance. While PMI is tax-deductible, consider paying more each month to help build equity in the home up to 20 percent. At that point, the borrower can apply to have the private mortgage insurance waived.

BUILDING PERMITS

Building permits Jan. 5-9

3315 N. Loop 250 W.	Commercial Addition	$500,000
708 W. Scharbauer Drive	New Commercial	$46,000
4904 Oak Valley Drive	Swimming Pool	$47,750
203 Wydewood Drive	Residence-Detached	$1,500
2408 Briaroaks Court	Swimming Pool	$53,000
201 E. Kansas	Residential Alteration	$4,500
1800 Cherry Lane	Commercial Alteration	$45,000
502 S. Lincoln St.	New Residence	$128,000
3303 N. Midkiff Road	New Commercial	$42,000
1202 Prairie Lane	New Residence	$145,000
1204 Prairie Lane	New Residence	$182,000
1214 Prairie Lane	New Residence	$159,000
1201 Prairie Lane	New Residence	$231,000
1200 Prairie Lane	New Residence	$185,000
1206 Prairie Lane	New Residence	$159,000
1205 Prairie Lane	New Residence	$198,000
1212 Prairie Lane	New Residence	$182,000
1210 Prairie Lane	New Residence	$158,000
1213 Prairie Lane	New Residence	$172,000
707 S. Tilden St.	Residential Alteration	$35,000
1208 Prairie Lane	New Residence	$195,000
1209 Prairie Lane	New Residence	$185,000
1207 Prairie Lane	New Residence	$195,000
1203 Prairie Lane	New Residence	$213,000
1211 Prairie Lane	New Residence	$187,000
2101 W. Wadley Ave.	Sign	$300
902 Waverly Drive	Residential Alteration	$3,200

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UTPB Names Justin Carrigan First Head Football Coach

Ryan Haage
Communication and Special Projects

The University of Texas of the Permian Basin President Dr. David Watts announced at a Friday morning press conference that Justin Carrigan has been named the first head football coach in UTPB history.

Carrigan comes to UTPB having spent the last five years as an assistant at Tarleton State, including the last three seasons as offensive coordinator.

"Justin brings an enormous amount of experience, success in Texas football and relationships with coaches and players all over Texas," said Watts. "We are proud to have Justin Carrigan as the first coach of UTPB football. He will instill in his team the kind of values, commitment to integrity and success that is the hallmark of UTPB athletics."

The Tarleton State offense has improved in each of its three years with Carrigan at the helm, averaging 485 yards of offense since 2012. The Texans scored 43.7 points per game in 2014, averaging 522.8 yards of offense in 10 games.

TSU has finished above .500 in the Lone Star Conference in each of the previous three seasons, including an LSC Championship after a 5-1 conference season in 2013.

"Justin brought many positive and attractive qualities to the table," said Athletics Director Steve Aicinena. "Noteworthy is that he's very familiar with Texas high school football and numerous coaches throughout the state. He's been recruiting the state for 10 years and it's difficult to come into a situation and have no high school recruiting contacts. Second, student-athletes and their parents spoke very highly of him along with those in the programs he's worked for."

Carrigan started at Tarleton State in 2010 as the program's quarterbacks coach and passing game coordinator. He moved to wide receivers coach before the 2011 season before taking over the offense for the last three years.

"He's a very intense young man," said Aicinena. "One of the things I admired was his work ethic and what he's done to achieve what he has to this point. The committee and I were all impressed with that and believe that he will work very hard to make our program something that the university and community will be proud of. Justin has a well-established history of success on the offensive side of the ball as an offensive coordinator. We have every expectation that will make our style of play exciting and fun to watch."

Prior to his five year stint at TSU, he spent a year at Texas-El Paso working with the Miners' passing game.

Before his season at UTEP, Carrigan started his collegiate coaching career as a graduate assistant in 2005 at Midwestern State. In 2007 he took on duties as wide receivers coach and strength and conditioning for nine varsity teams. A season later he was promoted to passing game coordinator and helped Midwestern State's offense average 549.4 yards per game in 2007.

Carrigan graduated with a degree in kinesiology in 2003 from Angelo State where he was a two-time All-LSC safety. A three-year starter in the secondary, he was all conference in 2000 & 2001 and was a team captain in 2002. He earned his master's degree in sports administration from Midwestern State in 2009.

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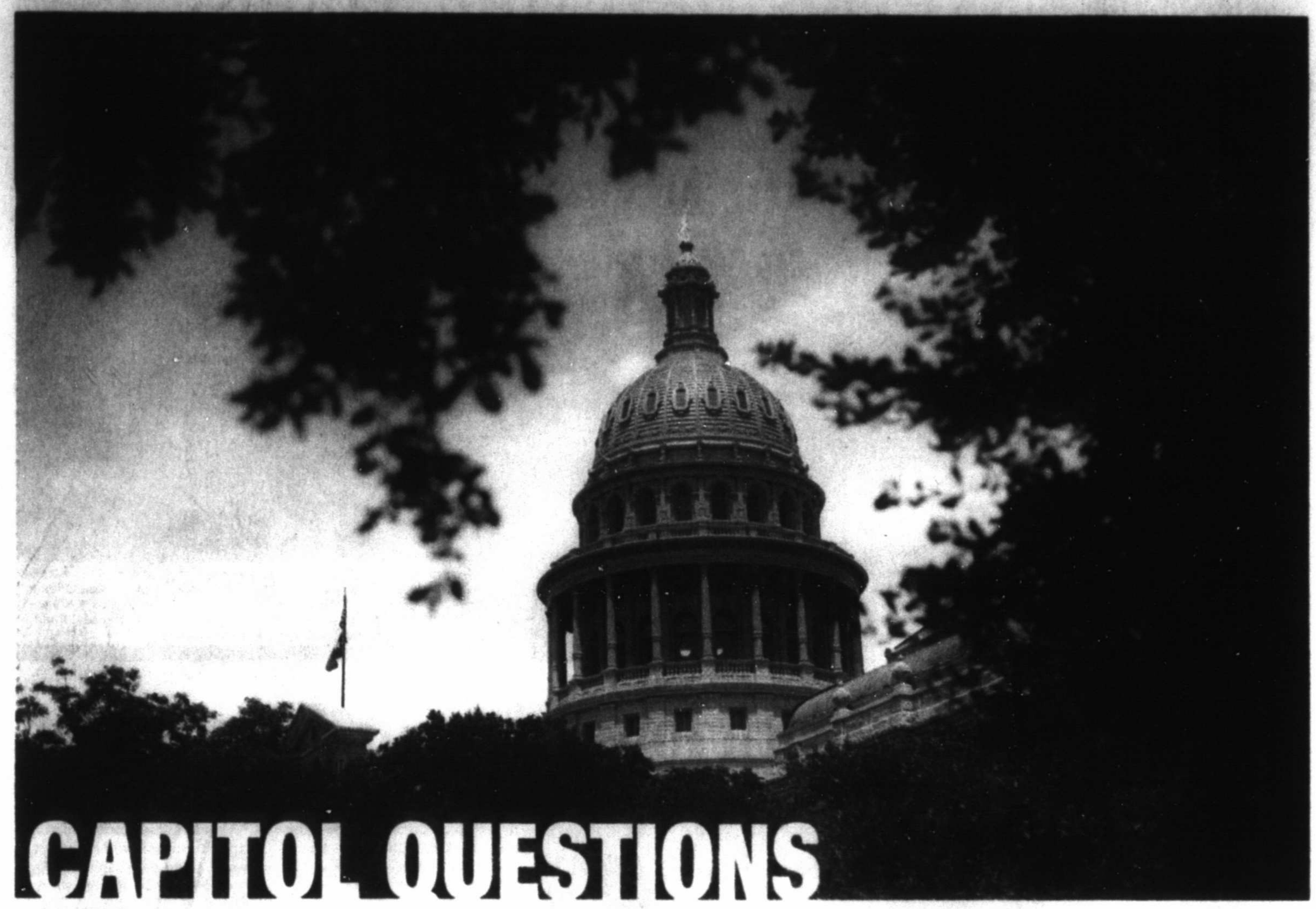

CAPITOL QUESTIONS

Falling oil prices fallout will dominate legislative session

By Mella McEwen
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Filled by a rising stream of taxes generated by an unprecedented increase in Texas oil and gas production, the state's rainy day fund was seen as a prime source of funds to address needs like roads, water and education.

Texas voters have approved plans to take funds from what is formally known as the Economic Stabilization Fund. But with crude prices sinking to below $50 a barrel, those projects are getting a second look as the new session of the Texas Legislature gets underway.

"Falling oil prices are on everyone's mind, especially those legislators involved in the budget-writing process and allocating funds for water, education and transportation," said Alex Mills, president and chief of staff of the Texas Alliance of Energy Producers. One consequence is that the Permian Basin, one area he noted was looking for a lot more funding for roads, may not get as much as hoped, he said.

With crude prices at about half what they were a year ago, the severance taxes paid on oil production and on the gross proceeds from the wellhead will be impacted, he said. That will affect not only planned transportation projects but water projects developed in the face of the state's severe drought.

"Money, as usual, is foremost on everyone's mind," Mills said.

Falling oil prices modified expectations for the session, he said.

Before prices fell, Miller said there had been talk of changing the franchise tax and reducing the rate significantly.

"We do know the price decline will have an impact on drilling permits, on the rig count and eventually on production levels. Eventually it will have an impact on employment. We know the fallout will happen, we just don't know how significant it will be," Mills said.

"I think the uncertainty (about oil prices) is creating a lot of animosity. Everyone would like to put everything on hold and ask how low prices will go, where the bottom is and how long they'll stay there. But we can't do that. The legislature has to pass a budget — it's essentially the only thing they have to do" under the Texas Constitution.

Another oil-related issue is the fallout from November's vote by Denton residents to ban hydraulic fracturing within the city. That vote "created a whirlwind in Austin," Mills said.

"Denton voters were very set on pounding their chests and banning fracturing, and they did, but the consequences are yet to be felt," he observed.

Legislation already has been filed that would require a city planning such a vote to ask the attorney general for an opinion on the constitutionality of the vote as well as a fiscal note on the potential cost of a ban, all before a vote can be held.

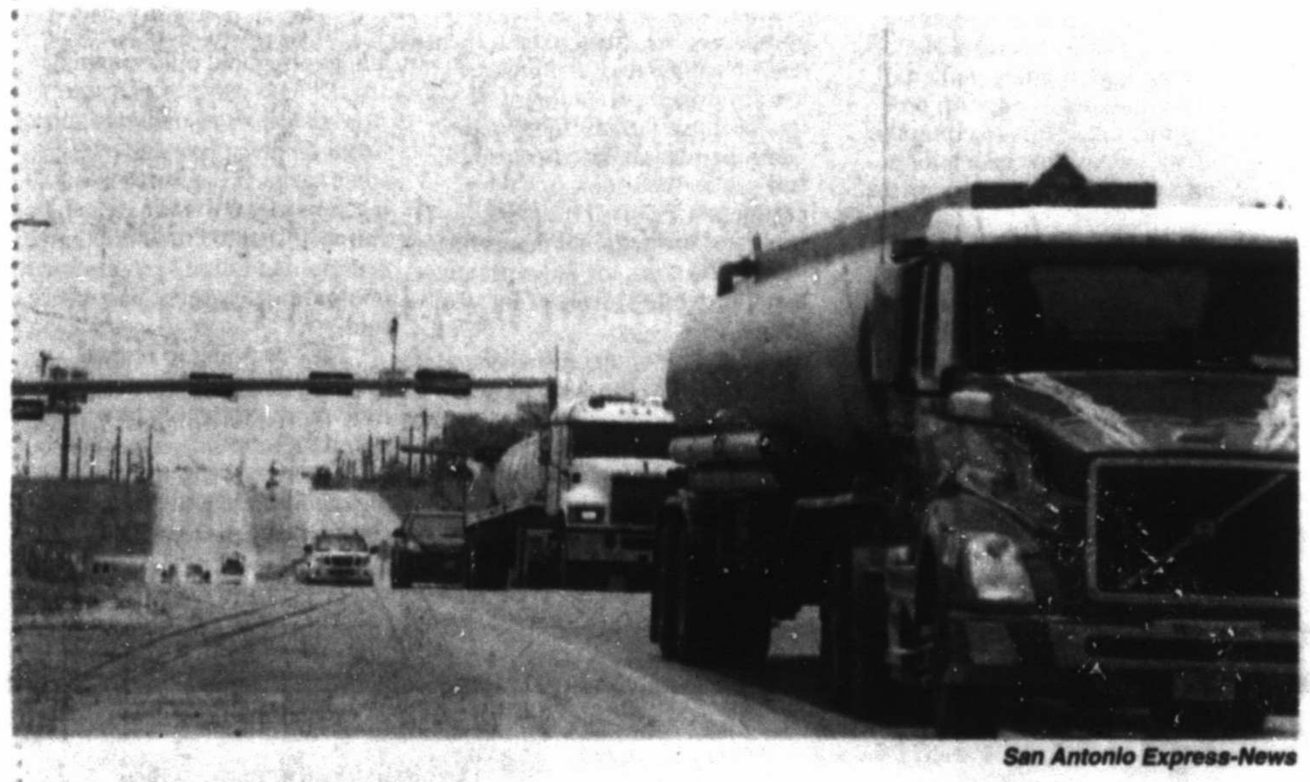
There may be legislation introduced to change the name of the Railroad Commission, which oversees the state's oil and gas industry and its pipelines, to one reflecting its responsibilities, and perhaps change the number of commissioners elected to the Railroad Commission from the current three, he said. Those are usually hot topics, he noted.

A mandatory unitization bill introduced last session will be introduced again this session and will draw interest from the Permian Basin, he said.

Because Texas allows mineral and surface ownership on the same land to be severed, mineral ownership over the years has grown so significantly that it's often difficult for an oil and gas operator to find all the owners of mineral rights on property they want to drill. Under the bill, if 70 percent of mineral owners approve a project, the remaining 30 percent have to go along with the project.

That could draw opposition from those who believe in private property rights or those who don't like the idea of being forced to participate in a project they didn't want to be part of, Mills said.

His organization's board recently voted to support a check-off program similar to those used by the beef, pork and dairy programs, with funds from the program used to educate the public about the oil and gas industry.



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Vehicles drive on U.S. Highway 181 in Karnes City on July 20. Tho recent crash in oil prices feels as different in San Antonio and rural South Texas as the divide between city life and ranching.

Price plunge puts Eagle Ford on edge

By Jennifer Hiller
San Antonio Express-News

PEARSAL — The recent crash in oil prices feels as different in San Antonio and rural South Texas as the divide between city life and ranching.

In San Antonio, economists expect that a plunge in oil prices from above $100 to below $50 per barrel means a slight negative impact, likely to be shrugged away by the strength of industries such as military, medical and tourism.

But drive an hour south to a region where drilling rigs punctuate the sky, and there's an anticipated swing from boom to belt tightening.

"It's a recipe for disaster for small businesses," said Huy Doan, who in the past two years has opened two Donut Palace locations in Pearsall. "The reason I came here was for the oil field. I'm worried."

It's not yet obvious while trucks rumble through town and signs still shout "Now Hiring! Drivers Wanted!!" But a slowdown is creeping in.

Companies have started pulling back drilling plans. One of Doan's regular customers said his oil field crew was trimmed from 100 to seven. Plenty of oil field workers and locals still swing by the the Donut Palace daily, but not as many as before.

"We'll see some pretty big changes over the next few quarters," said George Wommack of Petro Waste Environmental, which operates oil field disposal sites across the Eagle Ford region. Wommack grew up in Midland in an oil and gas family, and doesn't think people have realized what low oil prices mean.

"It doesn't matter how many booms and busts people have seen. They never think this one will be like the last one," Wommack told the San Antonio Express-News. "We're prepared for $50 to $80 oil to be the new norm for the next 12 to 18 months. It could be two years. I hope it's not. We've tried to position ourselves in a way that we can survive. You can weather volatility as long as you don't have too much debt. That's what always gets people. We don't have any debt."

Economist Karr Ingham, who works with the Texas Alliance of Energy Producers, said oil prices crashing below the $50 mark means Texas will lose significant

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Parker, Parsley to get Top Hand Award

By Mella McEwen
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A partnership formed by a handshake between two friends in 1962 laid the foundation for what has become one of the nation's largest independent oil and gas operators.

Geologist Howard Parker and Engineer Joe Parsley formed Parker & Parsley, and their skill in keeping the company stable during the up-and-down cycles of the oil and gas industry has earned them the Top Hand Award from the Permian Basin Petroleum Association. The two will return to Midland for the awards dinner Thursday at Midland Center.

Parker and Parsley sold the company to management in the 1980s so they could "retire" and watched as it grew into Pioneer Natural Resources following the 1997 merger with Mesa Inc. Pioneer is now the nation's third largest independent oil and gas operator.

In addition to the honor from the PBPA, the two have received honors from their alma mater, the University of Texas at Austin, a school they both enthusiastically support.

During a recent conference call, the two discussed the award and reflected on their careers and success.

MRT: What attracted you to the oil and gas industry?

Parsley: When I graduated from high school, I knew I wanted to be some sort of engineer — I was good in math. I was studying architectural engineering, but I knew it wasn't the right fit. My dad had bought a drilling rig to operate in North Texas, and I started hearing him talk about drilling for oil and gas, so I switched to petroleum engineering.

Parker: It's in my family — I'm fourth generation. My dad was an independent oil and gas driller, so it was natural for me to go in that direction. I got my degree in geology — it fit me better than engineering.

MRT: What do each of you think you contributed to the Parker & Parsley partnership?

Parker: It became obvious early on you can't drill a well if you can't get the lease to drill. My main job was to find places to drill that made geologic sense and financial sense. Later on, when we became registered and did public programs, my job was to get locations and find people willing to buy interest in our drilling program. Drilling and what should be done in drilling and completions fell into Joe's lap, and he did a marvelous job.

Parsley: I did my best to make successful wells, but that took money, and Howard did a good job

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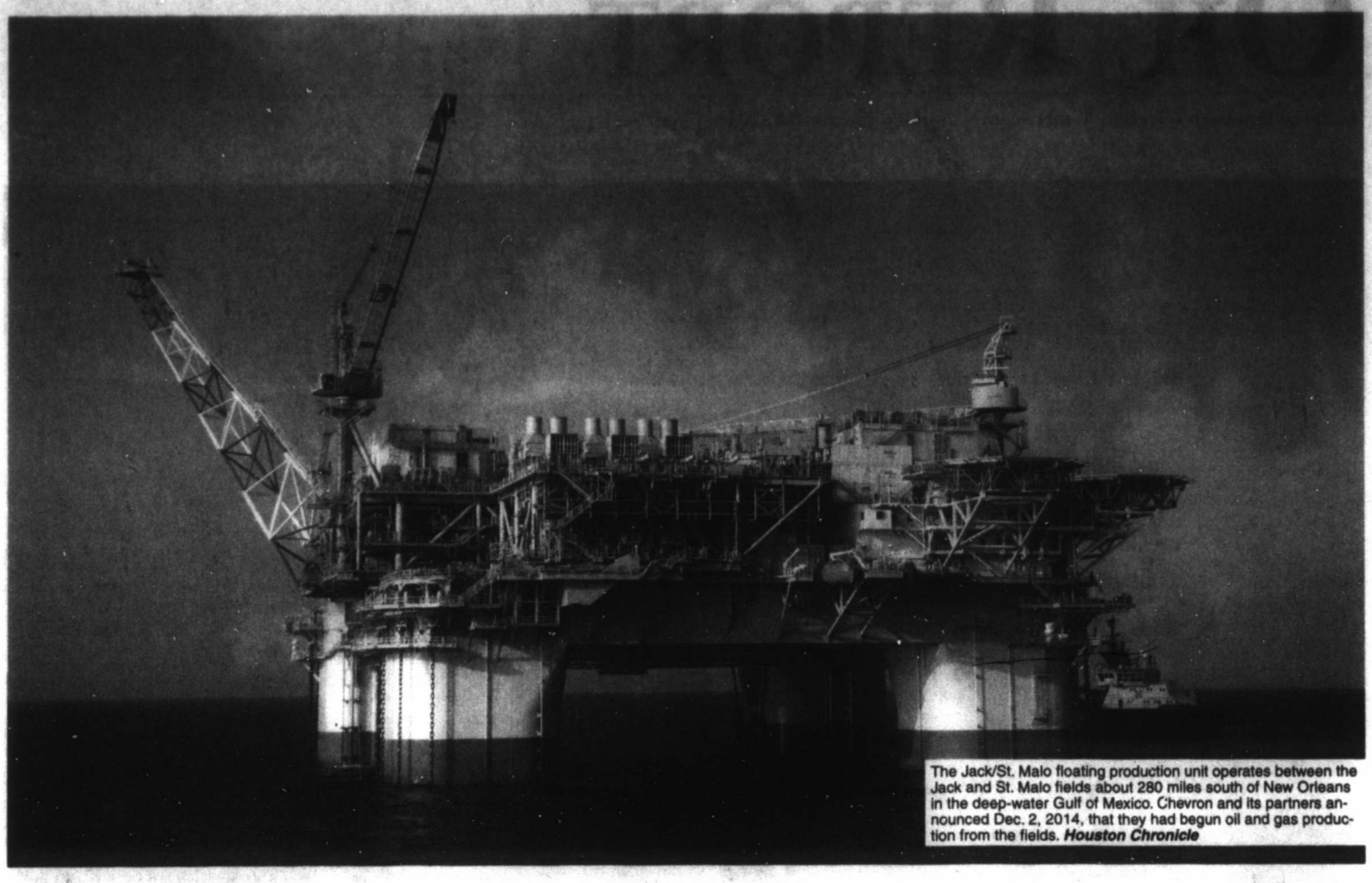

The Jack/St. Malo floating production unit operates between the Jack and St. Malo fields about 280 miles south of New Orleans in the deep-water Gulf of Mexico. Chevron and its partners announced Dec. 2, 2014, that they had begun oil and gas production from the fields. *Houston Chronicle*

Oil giants stick with long view in deep water

By Ryan Holeywell
Houston Chronicle

A deep plunge in the price of crude isn't slowing Big Oil's activity in the depths of the world's oceans — at least not yet.

Recently, Chevron Corp. announced what it called a "significant" offshore discovery under a mile of water and more than five miles of rock in the Gulf of Mexico.

It disclosed few details of the find, which came on the heels of last month's launch of production from the company's $7.5 billion Jack/St. Malo project in the same general region more than 100 miles off Louisiana.

And that followed oil production that began in November from Tubular Bells, a $2.3 billion Hess-operated project in which Chevron has a minority stake.

While crude oil has lost half its value since the summer, causing headaches for North American onshore shale producers, Chevron and other big international oil companies are showing resilience and continuing to spend billions of dollars searching for and producing oil in far-flung places.

"We take a long-term view of prices because our investments last for decades," said Cameron Van Ast, a Chevron spokesman. "We continue to believe global demand for oil and natural gas will grow while existing sources of supply will inevitably decline."

In October, for example, Royal Dutch Shell began producing oil from its first deep-water development in Malaysia.

Exxon Mobil Corp. is nearing completion of an offshore development near Russia's Sakhalin island, the company recently told investors.

And BP announced at the end of the year that it had began oil production from the Kinnoull field in the North Sea, marking its seventh major upstream startup of 2014.

Houston Chronicle

The deck of the Jack/St. Malo floating production unit looms beneath its flaring boom structure from which the facility burns off natural gas that isn't stored or transported.

The dropping price of crude has prompted North America-focused exploration and production companies to announce major cuts in 2015 capital budgets.

Continental Resources, for example, will reduce its capital budget by a third to $2.7 billion; Oasis Petroleum may cut as much as 40 percent to $750 million; and Linn Energy is halving its capital budget $730 million..

Those moves come as oil prices continue to fall. West Texas Intermediate, the U.S. benchmark, fell 43 cents Jan. 9 to $48.36 a barrel, less than half its June peak. Brent, the international standard, was down 85 cents to $50.11 per barrel, its lowest close since April 2009.

But the oil companies with household names aren't likely to feel the same type of pain.

"They're built to be resilient," said Douglas Terreson, an analyst at Evercore ISI. "They're built for an environment like this."

While they probably will reduce some capital spending this year, the cuts won't be as drastic as those facing North American exploration and production companies, said Brian Youngberg, an analyst at Edwards Jones.

"They're bigger and stronger financially," Youngberg said. "They have the balance sheet to hold up well in a weak environment."

Spending plans not yet clear

Few of the major integrated companies have provided details yet on 2015 capital spending, though some suggested cuts would be forthcoming — even before oil price's dramatic slide — in response to investors' calls for more capital discipline.

But major integrated companies — so called because their businesses take oil from exploration through refining and retail gasoline sales — develop projects that take years to complete, which means they take a long-term view on commodity prices. Oil producers can't be sure what the price of oil will be when a major project comes online, or over the duration of its production. So they build fluctuating oil prices into their business models.

Chevron's St. Malo oil field, for example, was discovered in 2003, and oil began flowing from it last month. During the decade in between, oil rose from about $30 per barrel in 2003 to a record $145.29 in mid-2008, slid to less than $35 as the economic crisis took hold the same year, exceeded $100 as recently as July and recently ended trading below $49.

"The kinds of projects they're doing ... need to be able to ride out the ups and downs," said Steven Wood, an analyst at Moody's Investors Service.

In a report last week, Moody's said that major oil companies make decisions assuming oil prices of no more than $50 to $60 per barrel in order to improve chances that their investments will pay off, regardless of the oil price cycle.

Individual companies seldom disclose the pricing levels at which they evaluate investments.

But Exxon Mobil Chief Executive Rex Tillerson said in an interview with CNBC last month that the company tests its investments across a range of oil prices, from $40 to $120 per barrel.

"All of the investment decisions we take have been tested across a range of pricing that accommodates these types of price swings," Tillerson said. "What you do is ensure that you can be successful at the bottom of the price swing."

Other units benefit

Meanwhile, integrated oil companies are, to an extent, insulated from some of the pressure low oil prices put on their bottom line because their refining and petrochemical businesses use oil and gas as feedstocks for their products. Cheap oil hurts the profits of upstream divisions but lowers the costs for downstream units, providing a sort of internal hedge.

Integrated oil and gas companies also tend to have debt-to-capitalization ratios that are about half those of their smaller, independent peers, said Terreson, of Evercore ISI. That also helps reduce the effects of price swings.

Moody's said North American exploration and production companies could pare capital budgets by an average of 40 percent in 2015 if oil prices average less than $60 per barrel.

By contrast, major integrated oil companies' cuts will be in the 10 percent to 20 percent range, said Youngberg, of Edward Jones.

Analysts expect that the majors will postpone investments in projects considered marginal, where it would be harder to recoup big investments. That could include some projects in deep water and in the Arctic, work in the Canadian oil sands, new shale plays, alternative energy and liquefied natural gas projects.

"With all these companies, they generally have more projects than they have resources — both human and financial — to execute," said Wood of Moody's.

That means that dropping prices can provide an opportunity for companies to become more selective with their investments. Marginal projects don't disappear from the books completely, but funding could be delayed.

"I think we'll see a reaction from the majors, but it will be more measured," Wood said.

Pressure from investors

Those moves come at a time when integrated oil companies are facing a wave of pressure from investors to maintain more financial discipline and avoid some mega-projects seen as having runaway costs. That push began well before crude oil's price decline, but today's environment boosts that pressure, Youngberg said.

"They're going to reduce their capital spending and be a little more prudent in how they spend their dollars," he said. "But it won't be as drastic as the exploration and production companies."

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Contracts: Legally Enforceable Oil and Gas Contracts
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
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Returning Registrants: $599; Out of State, $624 (purchased book for previous modules)
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If you plan to register for additional modules, the $50 materials fee is a one-time charge

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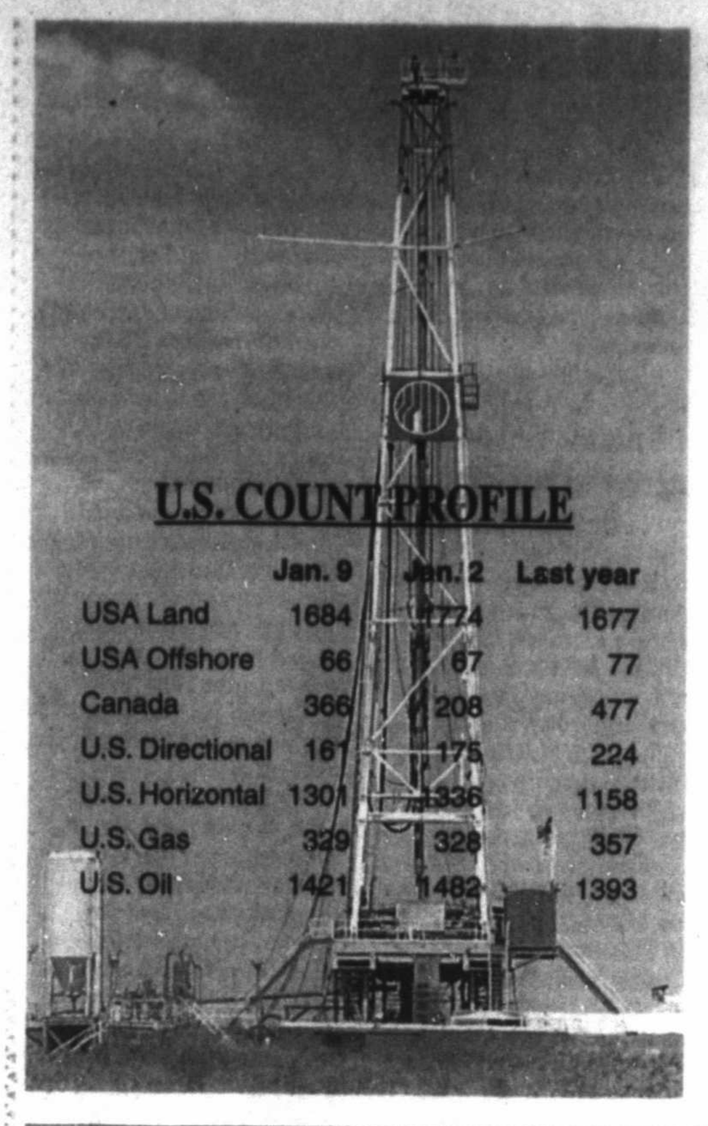

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Canada	366	208	477
U.S. Directional	161	175	224
U.S. Horizontal	1301	1336	1158
U.S. Gas	329	328	357
U.S. Oil	1421	1482	1393

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Coke	2
Concho	0
Crockett	9
Irion	13
Kimble	0
McCulloch	0
Menard	0
Reagan	23
Runnels	3
Schleicher	3
Sutton	0
Terrell	2
Tom Green	0
Upton	33

DIST. #8

Andrews	19
Brewster	0
Crane	6
Culberson	13
Ector	13
Glasscock	31
Howard	21
Hudspeth	0
Jeff Davis	0
Loving	29
Martin	36
Midland	38
Mitchell	0
Pecos	9
Presidio	0
Reeves	54
Sterling	1
Ward	13
Winkler	6

DIST. #8A

Bailey	0
Borden	2
Cochran	0
Cottle	0
Crosby	1
Dawson	2
Dickens	1
Floyd	0
Gaines	5
Garza	1
Hale	0
Hockley	0
Kent	0
King	1
Lamb	0
Lubbock	0
Lynn	0
Motley	0
Scurry	5
Terry	2
Yoakum	7

TEXAS TOTAL 408

New Mexico

Chaves	0
Eddy	40
Lea	45
Roosevelt	1

NEW MEXICO TOTAL 86

MID-WEEK WTI AVERAGE PRICES

Posted	**$44.05**
Flint Hills Resources*	**$45.00**
Phillips 66*	**$45.10**
Plains*	**$45.00**
Shell Trading	**$45.10**
Sun*	**$45.00**
Nymex futures	**$47.52***

Net price without transportation charge
Note: Posted prices as of Jan. 14

SPOT NATURAL GAS PRICE PROFILE

Current natural gas prices (price per MMBtu)

	First of the month price	Closing price 1/14/15	Same period one year ago
Nymex future price	**$3.189**	**$2.871**	**$4.369**
Composite Field Prices For Waha Hub	**$3.075**	**$2.790**	**$4.105**
Composite Field Prices For Rocky Mountains	**$3.356**	**$2.763**	**$4.339**
Composite Field Prices For Permian Basin	**$3.028**	**$2.800**	**$4.125**
Composite Field Prices For San Juan Basin	**$3.030**	**$2.815**	**$4.160**
CompositeField Prices For Midcontinent	**$3.098**	**$2.767**	**$4.196**
Composite Field Prices For Gulf Coast	**$3.111**	**$2.856**	**$4.130**

AWARD

From 1G

there. We were as good as anyone at drilling and completing wells in the Spraberry.

MRT: What would you say is your proudest accomplishment?

Parker: As far as I'm concerned, the greatest accomplishment is what the younger guys did when they took over. They took what we started and made a wonderful company.

Parsley: They took Parker & Parsley and made it into Pioneer Natural Resources and into a spectacular success. Then there's a lot of people who came out of the company and started their own companies that became very successful: Tim Leach at Concho, Tim Dunn at CrownQuest — they've all been very successful.

MRT: What do you think about how the company you founded has grown into Pioneer Natural Resources, an influential, large independent?

Parker: One thing that's very important is we built that company over 25 years and having our employees make decisions. We made sure people knew Joe and I were not early risers, and we warned them they wouldn't see us until 9 or 9:30 a.m. If they were up early getting drilling reports and had questions, they had to learn to answer those questions. We ended up with people who were able to make decisions and stand behind those decisions. All of those employees learned to run the company without Joe and me.

MRT: What are your thoughts on today's oil price decline?

Parsley: It does appear Saudi Arabia intends to stop the development of oil and gas in the U.S., and they're big enough and strong enough to do that. It may take a year or 18 months before oil prices stabilize enough to let U.S. producers continue development of their reserves.

Parker: I agree with Joe. We have to sweat it out. In the meantime, we're working hard to make sure the people drilling wells realize costs have to come down. All the drillers and suppliers are suffering like everybody else, and they'll be forced to lower prices so we can stay active. A lot of people are going to have to take a hard look at their bottom lines.

EDGE

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numbers of upstream energy jobs, the part of the oil and gas business that's focused on exploration, drilling and production.

"People say they'll hang onto their best employees. I'm telling you, six months into 2015, we'll see it," Ingham said. "There are going to be tens of thousands of jobs lost."

Ingham expects at least 40,000 direct jobs could be lost in the oil fields, and beyond that, tens of thousands of more so-called "indirect" jobs that depend on those energy workers and firms spending money.

The Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas models show Texas could lose 128,000 direct and indirect energy jobs by midyear if oil stays around $55 per barrel.

"This is getting into territory now to where we may be looking at some actual damage to the Texas economy as a whole. It's getting worse by the day," Ingham said. "Some things depend on on how low we end up going and how long it lasts, but the die is cast at this point for a major oil and gas industry contraction."

Over the next several months, drilling permits will fall. A slice of the drilling rigs working in Texas will get stacked and sidelined. Energy jobs will peak and drop.

"The last thing to happen is production itself will finally peak and fall. That takes months to happen," Ingham said. "That's the thing we need to happen the fastest. The market is telling the world, 'I don't want what you're giving me, shut it down.'"

The price of the U.S. benchmark West Texas Intermediate crude oil plunged below $50 per barrel last week for the first time in more than five years. It was above $100 in June. The average was $75.96 in 2010, when the Eagle Ford drilling permits jumped to 1,018 from 94 in 2009.

While the Eagle Ford has brought jobs to San Antonio, the prospect of a drilling decline isn't expected to hammer the city's economy. Experts generally are optimistic about 2015, citing low unemployment, expected growth in key job sectors and a historically stable economic base.

"I think San Antonio will see a slightly negative impact," said Keith Phillips, economist and research officer at the local branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. "Going into the end of 2014, San Antonio was quite strong. That strength will mostly be maintained, even though growth in the Eagle Ford is expected to slow quite sharply."

In the past few years, San Antonio enjoyed growth in mining and logging — the category that includes oil-field-related jobs — but "it's a very small category," Phillips said. "All that growth has been positive, but maybe not as positive as we initially thought."

People "initially were expecting a bigger impact on San Antonio," agreed Thomas Tunstall, research director at the University of Texas at San Antonio Institute for Economic Development. "Whatever downside is associated with a slowdown in oil and gas activity, it will be fairly muted."

Oil production in Texas has been surging since 2008 with the use of horizontal drilling techniques and hydraulic fracturing. Fracturing pumps millions of gallons of water and chemicals at high pressure to break shale and prop open the cracks with sand, letting oil and gas flow up a well.

Eagle Ford production has surged from essentially nothing — a few hundred barrels of daily production in 2008 — to more than 1.6 million daily barrels of oil and other liquid hydrocarbons anticipated this month, according to the U.S. Energy Information Administration.

"As much as the Texas economy has benefited, these are not normal times," Ingham said. "They're times of dramatic expansion followed by a serious correction."

Because natural gas prices are still at historically low levels — closing at $2.95 per million British thermal units Jan. 9 — operators can't simply switch from drilling oil to drilling gas.

"You're not going to drill a well right now for natural gas," Ingham said. "There's not a place to go."

It's hard to see the change in South Texas, where drilling normally slows around the holidays anyway.

Winter hunting, too, traditionally puts a crimp in oil and gas activity. The owners of large properties often specify in their mineral leases that companies must accommodate deer season by limiting work hours, or by stopping drilling and fracking altogether.

In Karnes City, the seat of Karnes County and the spot in Texas that produces more crude oil than any other, city administrator Don Tymrak said it appears that oil and gas wells that were started in December still are going forward.

But Karnes City officials are rethinking their budget, written when oil was above $100. Karnes City leased city land to Marathon Oil and so far has gotten hundreds of thousands of dollars in royalty payments. The city had expected millions, though.

"It can't just keep going sky high forever," Tymrak said. "Maybe a crash is possible. Some people don't want to call it that, but a rose is a rose is a rose."

While most firms have stayed mum, others have announced plans to retrench. Among them, Comstock Resources in December said it would suspend its Eagle Ford oil drilling program altogether.

Dallas-based Matador Resources Co. last week also said it would pull its two drilling rigs out of the region due to plunging crude oil and natural gas prices.

Falling oil prices caused Sanchez Energy of Houston, an Eagle Ford-focused company, to cut planned spending from more than $1 billion to between $600 million to $650 million. It will trim the number of drilling rigs in South Texas in half, from eight to four.

As of Jan. 2, there were 200 rigs operating in the Eagle Ford.

For now, Paul Ruckman, whose family ranch straddles Karnes and DeWitt counties, two of the busiest areas of the Eagle Ford, said nothing seems different.

"I'm at H-E-B in Kenedy and it's just packed with oil field workers," Ruckman said Thursday afternoon. "You go to the gym and it's full of young guys." Two active drilling rigs sit about 500 feet from his back porch, operated by 20 to 30 workers.

His royalty checks, though, already have dropped by about 25 percent.

"It's been there for millions of years," Ruckman said. "If it gets low, I'd just as soon leave it in the ground until prices rise."

Doan said he's watching crude oil prices closely, talking with other businesses and asking his regular customers what they're hearing in the field.

"I hope oil goes back up," Doan said. "I don't mind paying a little more in gas. I'll make it up in doughnuts."

ENERGYBRIEFS

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

PBS-SEPM sets first meeting of year

Members of the Permian Basin section, SEPM, will meet at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at Midland Center.

Speaker Ron Steel, Professor and Chair of the Department of Geological Sciences at UT Austin, will present "Sediment Volume and Facies Partitioning in Shelf-Margin Prisms."

Cost is $15, including lunch. Additional information may be found at www.wtgs.org under 'Upcoming Events.' Reservations are encouraged and can be made by calling 683-1573 or email at wtgs@wtgs.org.

SIPES to hear about Energen horizontal program

The Midland chapter, Society of Independent Professional Earth Scientists will meet 11:15 a.m. Wednesday at Midland Country Club. The meeting will begin with a reception.

Greg Wilson will discuss Energen Resources' horizontal Wolfcamp development plans for the Midland Basin. The company has begun the first phase of a development drilling program in the Wolfcamp Shale in south central Glasscock County. He will summarize what has happened to date and plans for further development of the play.

Cost for guests is $20.

Horizontal remediation wells topic for environmental group

The Environmental Study Group of the Society of Petroleum Engineers will meet at 11:30 a.m. Thursday at the Petroleum Professional Development Center, 105 W Illinois Ave.

A presentation on the use of horizontal remediation wells will be offered by Kimberly High, senior project manager, AECOM.

Reservations should be made by noon Jan. 20.

HAWAII

Construction resumes at Big Island bioenergy plant

HILO — Construction work has resumed at a Big Island power plant expected to generate electricity from eucalyptus trees and other organic matter, the operator said.

Work at Hu Honua Bioenergy at Pepeekeo was delayed for several months because of a dispute with the facility's general contractor, Hawaiian Dredging Construction Co. claimed Hu Honua had failed to pay it $35 million for its services.

Hu Honua officials said they've settled the dispute. A new contractor, Performance Mechanical Inc., has taken over construction.

Lewis Energy to cut 20 percent of its workforce

By Jennifer Hiller
San Antonio Express-News

San Antonio-based Lewis Energy Group, one of the earliest companies to drill in the Eagle Ford Shale, is trimming its workforce by about 20 percent.

The company released this statement:

"Similar to other oil and gas companies, Lewis Energy Group is adjusting its drilling and operations program for 2015 to address the current decrease in demand for oil and gas production. We are taking the necessary measures to evaluate and assess where we can control costs and promote efficiencies, including streamlining our operations by rightsizing our workforce by about 20 percent. While it is a challenge, Lewis Energy Group has been in business for over 30 years, in lean and prosperous times and will continue to do so."

The privately held company did not release its number of employees. Lewis Energy has offices in San Antonio and an operations center in Encinal.

Last April at an Eagle Ford event, a company official said that Lewis had grown from 300 employees to around 1,300. By the fall, a news release from the Texas Workforce Commission said the company was at 1,200 employees just at its Encinal operations center.

Lewis Energy is the latest energy company to announce job cuts or plans to pull back its drilling program. Oil prices were higher than $100 per barrel in June but have since fallen below $50 per barrel.

The company operates more than 1,400 wells in South Texas, where it targets the Wilcox, Escondido, Olmos, Eagle Ford and Edwards formations. It also operates in Colombia and has a multi-service contract with Pemex in Mexico, the state oil company.

Company founder Rodney Lewis in September was ranked 249 on the Forbes magazine list of the 400 richest Americans. He had a net worth of $2.6 billion.

Lewis Energy in 2014 was named the Employer of the Year by the Texas Workforce Commission for its partnerships with Workforce Solutions for South Texas and other economic and education entities, including the Eagle Ford Consortium. It donated $1 million to Laredo Community College for construction and worked with the college to develop two certifications for entry-level oil and gas jobs. Its partnership with United and Laredo independent school districts has created dual-credit programs for high school students to earn entry-level oil and gas certifications.

WHEELING&DEALING

FROM STAFF REPORTS

DALLAS

Azure Midstream Energy to acquire Marlin Midstream Partners

Azure Midstream Energy LLC announced that Azure, Marlin Midstream Partners LP and Marlin's sponsor, NuDevco Midstream Development LLC have entered into definitive agreements that will result in Azure owning 100 percent of the general partner of Marlin and 90 percent ownership of the total outstanding incentive distribution rights in Marlin.

In addition, Azure's Legacy gathering system will be contributed to Marlin for $162.5 million. NuDevco will retain all of its 10.7 million LP units, or 59.2 percent ownership stake, in Marlin, subject to an option granted to Azure to acquire 20 percent of such units from NuDevco in order to align interests and incentivize unit holder value creation.

The combination of Azure and Marlin creates a diverse platform of midstream assets creating one of the largest gathering and processing systems in the Haynesville and horizontal Cotton Valley plays in east Texas and northern Louisiana.

The Legacy system consists of approximately 658 miles of high- and low-pressure gathering lines primarily under fixed-fee contracts that serve approximately 100,000 dedicated acres predominantly in the Cotton Valley formation in east Texas and northern Louisiana with access to seven major downstream markets.

Azure will retain the Center gathering system and the Holly gathering system at the general partner level for future potential dropdown acquisitions into the partnership over time.

The Center system consists of approximately 372 miles of high-pressure pipeline serving multiple formations, including the Haynesville, Bossier and the liquids-rich James Lime formation across approximately 370,000 dedicated gross acres primarily located in east Texas. The Holly system consists of approximately 335 miles of high- and low-pressure pipeline serving the Haynesville and Bossier Shale formations and the liquids-rich Cotton Valley formation across approximately 69,000 dedicated gross acres primarily located in northern Louisiana.

The Proposed Transactions are expected to close during the first quarter of 2015, subject to customary closing conditions, lender approvals and necessary financings.

DALLAS

EnLink Midstream agrees to buy Permian crude logistics firm

The EnLink Midstream companies, EnLink Midstream Partners, LP and EnLink Midstream, LLC announce that a subsidiary of the Partnership has signed a definitive agreement to acquire LPC Crude Oil Marketing LLC, which has crude oil gathering, transportation and marketing operations in the Permian Basin, for approximately $100 million, subject to certain adjustments.

LPC currently purchases, transports and sells approximately 60,000 barrels per day of crude oil, serving as a critical link between Permian producers and end markets. The acquisition expands EnLink's service offerings in the Permian Basin, adding crude oil first purchasing and logistics capabilities to EnLink's existing natural gas gathering and processing services.

"The acquisition of LPC is a great example of our M&A strategy, which is one of our four avenues of growth," said Barry E. Davis, EnLink Midstream president and chief executive officer. "Even with the recent decline in oil prices, we believe that the Permian Basin will remain a core growth area for oil production. This acquisition enhances EnLink's ability to provide a complete midstream solution to customers in one of the most active producing basins in North America, and our plan is to make additional investments expanding LPC's business over time.

"This business comes with an experienced management team that has built a highly respected crude oil marketing company known for customer service and performance," Davis added. "We are excited to welcome LPC's dedicated team of employees into the EnLink family."

LPC's assets include: 13 pipeline and refinery injection stations which are located in the most productive areas of the Permian Basin; a fleet of approximately 43 tractor trailers; six crude oil gathering systems totaling 67 miles of pipeline; and an extensive crude oil first purchasing operation.

Methane regs could boost oilfield equipment makers

By Jennifer Dlouhy
Houston Chronicle

WASHINGTON — The Obama administration's plan to clamp down on methane emissions could be a money maker for the manufacturers of sealing devices and leak detectors used to track and contain the highly potent greenhouse gas.

Some 76 companies with more than 500 locations spread across 46 states sell services and equipment that could be tapped by oil and gas companies seeking to comply with the planned regulations, according to a report released last year.

On Wednesday, as the White House unveiled its methane blueprint, the industry built around finding and stopping the pollutant was touting its potential to reduce waste and create jobs.

The Fluid Sealing Association, which represents North American manufacturers of sealing devices used by the industry, said the group and its members "are committed to doing its part to address climate change."

"The FSA is well equipped to work with our partners in the oil and gas sector, the EPA and the Obama administration in finding solutions and being a technical resource to curtail methane emissions," the group said. "Member companies of the FSA offer American-made, cost-effective and proven solutions, and we develop sealing technologies that drive emission reductions across the U.S. oil and gas and process industries."

Colorado-based Apogee Scientific, which makes a detection system for identifying hydrocarbon leaks, issued a statement saying it looked forward to working with the EPA and the oil and gas sector.

"We believe this EPA plan can be implemented in a cost effective manner and will create a cleaner environment for the United States, reduce waste and create jobs," said Apogee president James Armstrong.

The developing methane mitigation industry is focused in states with substantial oil and gas production, with Houston serving as the headquarters to at least 16 companies making equipment to detect and trap methane.

One of them is Health Consultants, Inc., a 1,200-employee firm that designs, manufacturers and sells air sampling monitors and detectors that can pinpoint methane leaks up to 100 feet away.

Hoerbiger America Holding, a maker of seals and compression equipment, has manufacturing facilities in Houston.

Other local manufacturers of plunger lifts, seals, pneumatic controllers and other devices that could need upgrades under new methane mandates include Norriseal, EagleBurgmann, National Oilwell Varco and Stewart & Stevenson.

Methane emissions can happen all along the natural gas supply chain, beginning during production and processing at wells, as well as when it is transmitted, stored and distributed.

Push renewed for oil transport bills

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Lawmakers are pushing competing bills to improve oil train safety, as a spike in volatile shipments of crude oil by rail poses new risks in Washington.

A Republican-backed bill heard in Olympia on Thursday shares some similarities with legislation requested by Gov. Jay Inslee and sponsored by Democrats.

But the measure lacks requirements for more disclosure of oil movement and the possibility of tug escorts for oil barges that are included in Inslee's proposal. Those will likely be sticking points again this year.

"The most important thing is that we address the emerging issue of oil by rail," said Sen. Doug Ericksen, R-Ferndale, sponsor of Senate Bill 5057.

around the oil patch

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Are low oil prices giving you gas?

With oil prices falling faster than Taylor Swift for a new boyfriend (surely she'll shake this off), it's very important for operators to optimize their lifting costs. Gas lift is one of several ways to do that, when a well does not have enough pressure to flow oil on its own.

Categorized under the heading of "artificial lift," gas lift is used on wells when other methods such as the familiar pump jack can't do the job. Recently, gas lift has become more popular as a completion method on horizontal wells to help lift liquids (oil and water) to the surface. Most gas lift wells use a series of pressure operated valves to clear the production tubing of liquid and thus reduce the bottom hole pressure so the well can produce.

The question for the operator of a gas lift well is "are the valves operating properly?" Cardinal Surveys Company is uniquely qualified to provide the answer. With decades of experience logging artificial lift wells, including the very specialized 7/8" logging tools used for annular production logs on pump jack wells, Cardinal has applied its expertise and technology to analyzing numerous gas lift wells.

While the typical analysis is a simple set of static pressure measurements up and down the well ("gradient stops"), Steve McLaughlin, President of Cardinal Surveys feels that operators may be missing valuable information by not using more sophisticated procedures and analysis.

"We recommend, at a minimum, a continuous log with pressure, temperature, and a collar log, to quantify the fluid density gradient and verify valve location and performance." McLaughlin noted that the continuous log shows the fluid pressure gradient at every point in the well, not just every few hundred feet as with gradient stops. "Plus, the temperature log shows which valves are open and closed, and if stuck open, are wasting lift gas," thus operating uneconomically, he said.

The collar log shows the exact location of every valve and in one recent case, showed that a valve was missing, apparently not installed when the well was completed. Cardinal uses advanced filtering to refine the data and provides a properly scaled and legible format for the data, as well as ASCII data files and spreadsheet files to the operator. "Given the cost of lost production, the operator cannot afford to have inefficient gas lift systems," McLaughlin stated.

To see a sample gas lift log go to Cardinal's website at www.cardinalsurveys.com and click on "Gas Lift Analysis."

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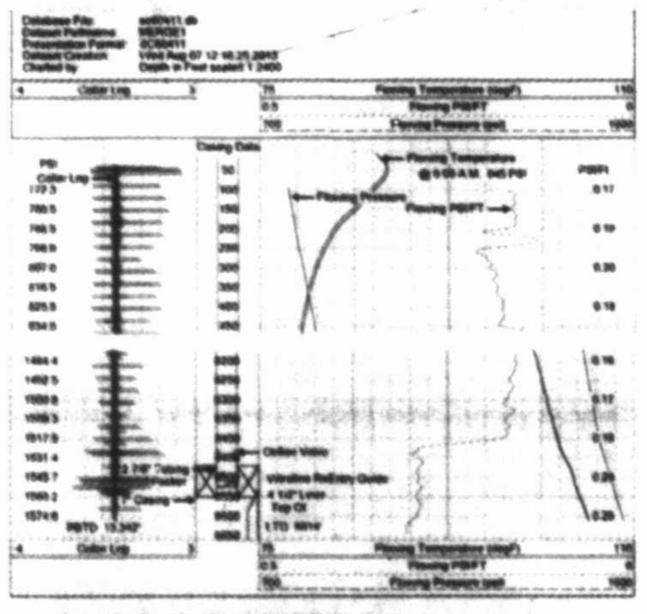

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The Victaulic roll grooving system speeds preparation for pipe joining

Joining pipe by traditional methods—welding, threading or flanging—all are challenging methods for rapidly joining pipe. In the field, where pipe must be moved regularly, these problems multiply—especially the time lost factor.

The Victaulic pipe joining system solves all those problems and more, saving time and money.

One problem with typical threading is that the threading process removes a substantial amount of the thickness of the pipe, reducing the wall at the joint. The process is also messy, leaving piles of cuttings to be cleaned up—and it requires copious amounts of messy cutting oils.

Roll grooving is the method of choice for preparing pipe made of standard or light wall carbon steel, stainless steel, aluminum, PVC, copper and other materials. With more and more companies coating pipe to extend its life in harsh oilfield conditions, it is important to note that the Victaulic system works very well with coated pipe.

When time is of the essence, remember that roll grooving reduces pipe preparation time from minutes down to a few seconds. Roll grooving is much cleaner since it does not involve cutting oils or pipe shavings. It cold-forms the groove, so it does not generate any heat, as would be the case with welding the pipe ends.

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Victaulic makes available not only the couplings, but the tools needed to prepare the pipe to joint with those couplings. The system's distinguishing feature is the groove made where the pipe and fitting engage to form a self-restraining joint. The position, depth and cross-section of this groove combine with the coupling housing in an optimal strength-to-weight relationship. The result is a permanent connection capable of withstanding thrust loads up to the maximum rated pressure.

Victaulic roll grooving tools are all designed to rotate the pipe or orbit the pipe as a male grooving roll is impressed into the pipe. The support roll, in addition to driving the pipe or tool, is the female die inside the pipe. As stated, this process removes no metal—the groove is cold-formed into the pipe wall.

All Victaulic cut groovers are designed to be driven around a stationary pipe to machine away material, providing a groove. The design of the tool assures a groove that is concentric with the pipe's O. D., even if the pipe is out-of-round. Cut grooving is basically designed for standard weight or heavier wall thicknesses of pipe. A square cut groove is used for steel and other metallic IPS pipe. This provides maximum coupling or gripping efficiency and the fullest pipe movement capabilities.

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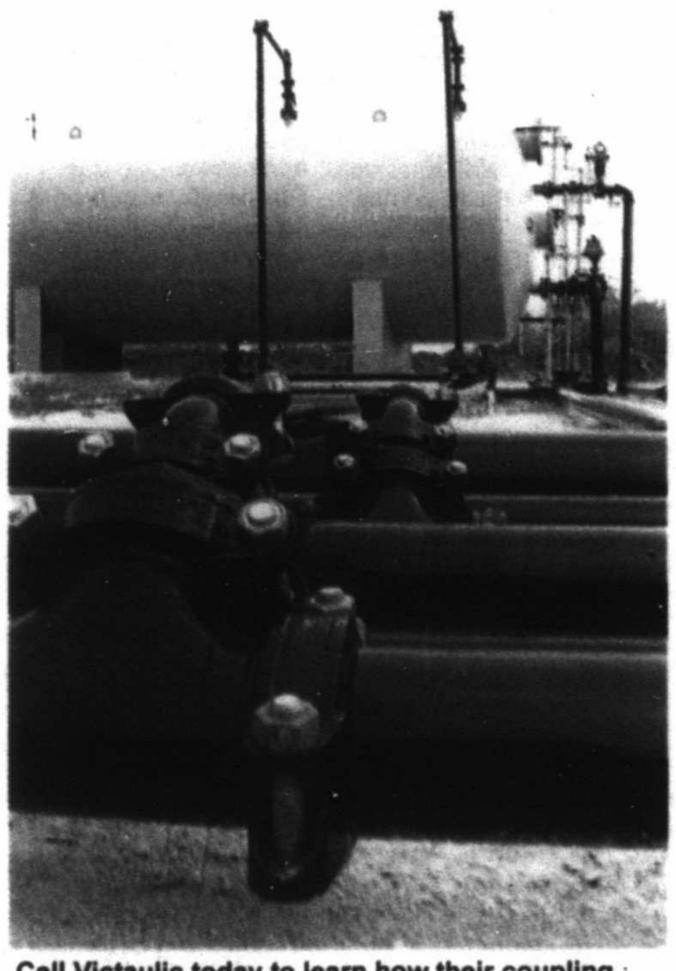

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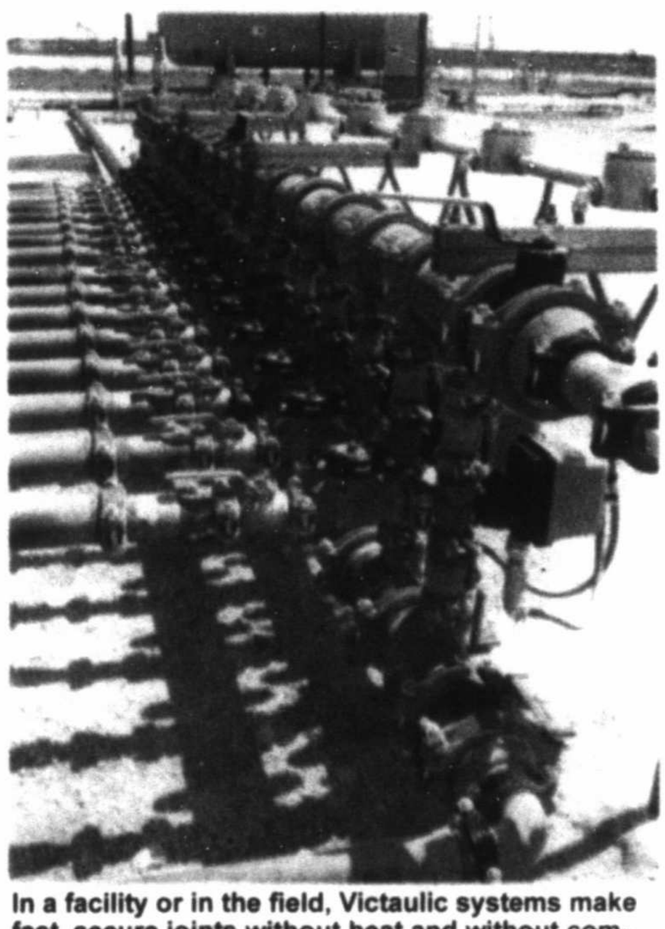

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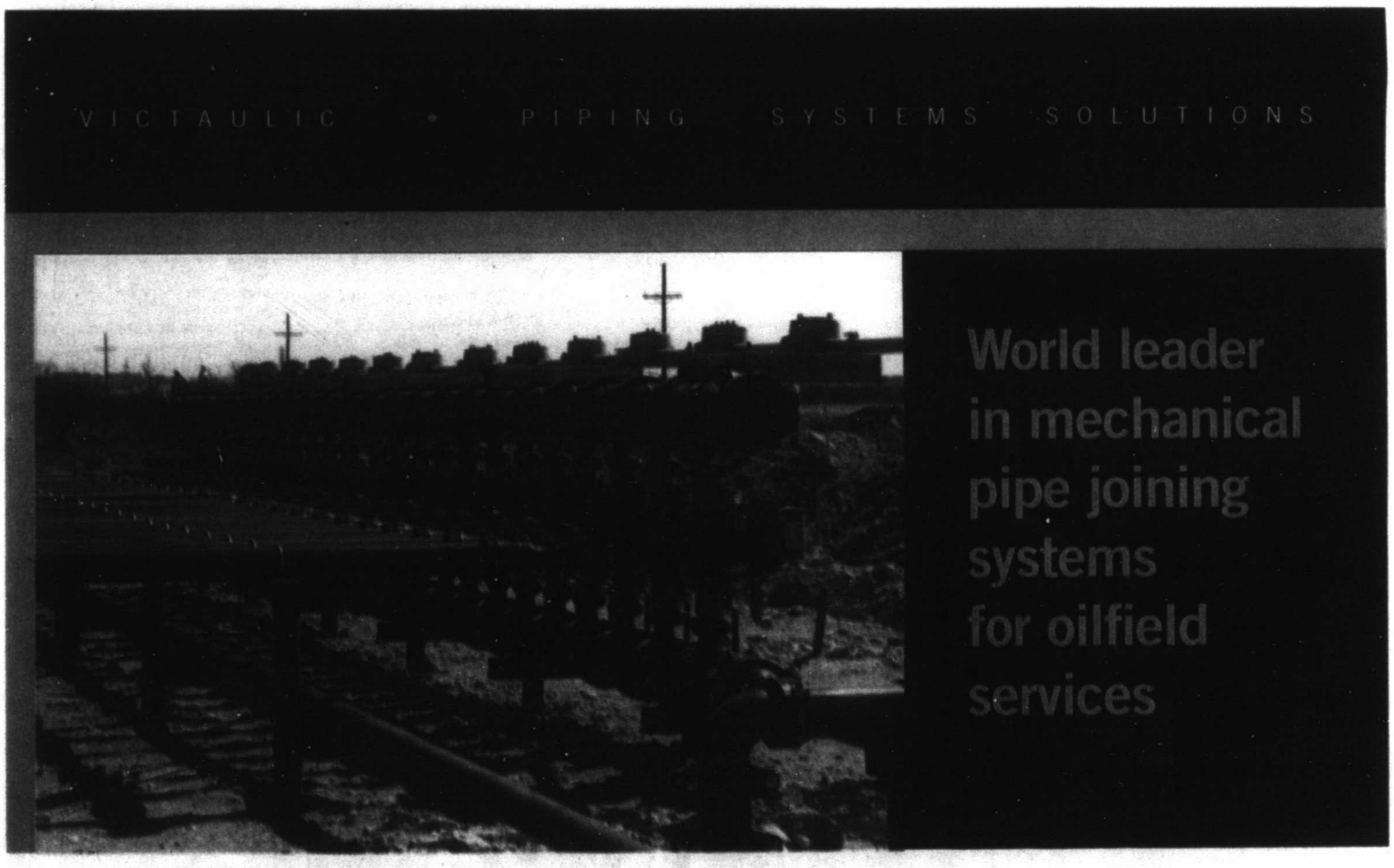

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Reeves County

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Texas RRCD 8A

Dawson County

RAW O&G, INC, WILDCAT (O/G) DRILL (36)(37) Well# 1 TRUE GRIT 26, 1485 FNL 467 FWL, SEC 26 BLK C41, PSL/ JW SCARBOROUGH SUR., A-867 12000', 11 W O'DONNELL API# 42-115-33681

Dickens County

SCHALK OIL COMPANY, INC., WILDCAT (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 SMITH TANK, 652 FNL 411 FWL, WH GREER SUR., A-1032 7000', 9 W SPUR API# 42-125-31337

Terry County

W & T OFFSHORE, INC., WILDCAT (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 KNUCKLE BALL, 666 FSL 1409 FWL, SEC 7 BLK DD, JH GIBSON/ CV HARRIS SUR., A-906 15000', 15 SW BROWNFIELD API# 42-445-32407

New Mexico

Eddy County

BOPCO LP
Los Medanos 36 23 30 St #2
Wildcat; Sec 36 T23S R30E; 330/S & 1980/W; 14 mi NE Malaga; Rot 14446 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42619

BOPCO LP
Los Medanos 36 23 30 St #3
Wildcat; Sec 36 T23S R30E; 330/S & 1980/E; 14 mi NE Malaga; Rot 14457 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42620

Cimarex Energy Co.
Jake 36 State #7
Wildcat; Sec 36 T24S R26E; 330/S & 1725/E; 2 mi SE Black River; Rot 11618 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42614

COMPLETIONS

Texas RRCD 7C

Irion County

Discovery Natural Resources LLC
Rock Hollow #1877SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1666 fnl, 942 fel, Sec 187, Blk 1, Abst. 629, T&P RR, 8.1 nw Barnhart; PBTD 6882 TVD, 15493 MD; Comp 12/19/2014; producing from 7790-15432, fracture stimulated; flow 481 BO, 1786 MCF, 508 BW, FTP 120 psi, 41.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-235-35765

Discovery Natural Resources LLC
Rock Hollow #1878SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1698 fnl, 919 fel, Sec 187, Blk 1, Abst. 629, T&P RR, 8.1 nw Barnhart; PBTD 6889 TVD, 15695 MD; Comp 12/19/2014; producing from 8000-15632, fracture stimulated; flow 400 BO, 1062 MCF, 673 BW, FTP 150 psi, 41.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-235-35768

Discovery Natural Resources LLC
Concho "A" #3004O
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1184 fsl, 2255 fel, Sec 3094, Blk 24, Abst. 583, H&TC RR, 26 nw Mertzon; PBTD 8521; Comp 12/22/2014; producing from 4895-8092, fracture stimulated; pump 110 BO, 174 MCF, 212 BW, 39.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-235-35792

Texas RRCD 8

Andrews County

Ring Energy Inc.
East Harris "2" #1
Block A-34 (San Andres); 467 fwl, 467 fsl, Sec 2, Blk A-34, Abst. 558, PSL, 15 nw Andrews; PBTD 4932; Comp 12/14/2014; producing from 4616-4718, fracture stimulated; pump 57 BO, 12 MCF, 200 BW, 37 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-46715

Ring Energy Inc.
Nnorthlake "11" #1
Shafter Lake (San Andres); 330 fel, 330 fnl, Sec 11, Blk A-36, Abst. 1713, PSL, 9 nw Andrews; PBTD 4700; Comp 12/17/2014; producing from 4440-4556, treated with acid; pump 34 BO, 3 MCF, 70 BW, 37 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-46766

Ring Energy Inc.
Raider Power State #1
Block A-34 Northwest (Glorieta); 470 fel, 467 fsl, Sec 8, Blk A-34, Abst. 1676, PSL, 14 nw Andrews; PBTD 6130; Comp 12/20/2014; producing from 5992-6006, treated with acid; pump 50 BO, 1000 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-46655

Ring Energy Inc.
Underwood "D" #4
Block A-34 (San Andres); 330 fel, 1650 fnl, Sec 17, Blk A-34, Abst. 830, PSL, 10 nw Andrews; PBTD 4950; Comp 12/17/2014; producing from 4620-4780, fracture stimulated; pump 34 BO, 15 MCF, 205 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-46792

Howard County

ConocoPhillips Company
G.O. Chalk -D- #33
Howard Glasscock (Consolidated); 1308 fnl, 390 fel, Sec 124. Blk 29, Abst. 1477, W&NW RR, 6.2 e Forsan; PBTD 4247; Comp 12/16/2014; producing from 3810-4136, fracture stimulated; pump 70 BO, 1 MCF, 1902 BW, 30.1 Oil Gravity; API #42-227-38103

Ward County

Jetta Operating Company Inc.
Barstow -26- #7R
Scott (Cherry Canyon)-Horizontal; 363 fel, 2053 fsl, Abst. 441, H&TC RR, 1.2 se Barstow; PBTD 6450 TVD, 6590 MD; Comp 12/22/2014; producing from 5187-6173, fracture stimulated; pump 60 BO, 50 MCF, 920 BW, 40.1 Oil Gravity; API #42-475-36683

Texas RRCD 8A

Crosby County

Juno Operating Company II LLC
Clark Wood Ranch #K165
Hoople (Clearfork); 949 fsl, 3668 fwl, Sec 10, Blk D-19, Abst. 1049, D&SE RR, 8.2 ne Slaton; PBTD 4303; Comp 12/19/2014; producing from 4068-4172, fracture stimulated; pump 7 BO, 165 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-107-31947

Gaines County

Citation Oil & Gas Corp.
Exxon-Atlantic H & J. #11
Huat (Canyon); 968 fnl, 2568 fwl, Sec 123, Blk H, Abst. 169, D&W RR, 10.8 e Seminole; PBTD 10595; Comp 12/21/2014; producing from 10640-10668, treated with acid; pump 5 BO, 797 BW, 37.6 Oil Gravity; API #42-165-38149

Yoakum County

XTO Energy Inc.
Cornell Unit #201
Wasson; 253 fel, 2562 fnl, Sec 830, Blk D, Abst. 1561, J.H. Gibson, 2.7 nw Denver City; PBTD 5397; Comp 12/29/2014; producing from 4916-5229, fracture stimulated; pump 36 BO, 682 MCF, 244 BW, 33.5 Oil Gravity; API #42-501-36460

New Mexico

Eddy County

COG Operating LLC
Burch Keely Unit #958
Burch Keely; Sec 24 T17S R29E; 2270/S & 210/W. BHL: 2304/S & 332/E; EL 3591 GL, TD 10010 MD, 4879 TVD, PBTD 9918; Spud 5-10-14, Comp 7-22-14; production is through treated perfs: 5100-9900. Treat: Acdz w/49,739 gals 15% acid, Frac w/1,582,758 gals gel, 341,747 Trt wtr, 93,933 gals wtr frac, 2,253,108# 20/40 brown, 453,857# 20/40 CRC, 56,871# 100 mesh. IP: 7-27-14 Pump 24 hrs 283 BO, 635 BW, 555 MCF, GOR 1961, Gty 37.9. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 229 w/400 sx, 9 5/8 @ 901 w/500 sx, 7 @ 4193 w/1600 sx, 5 1/2 @ 4193-9959, 2 7/8 @ 4221; API #30-015-42242

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Zircon 2 B1EH State #1
Turkey Track; Sec 2 T19S R29E; 2200/N & 320/W, BHL: 2171/N & 331/E; EL 3401 GL, TD 11429 MD, 7062 TVD, PBTD 11330; Spud 5-27-14, Comp 7-12-14; production is through treated perfs: 7257-11330. Treat: Frac w/381,822 gals slickwater, 207,480 gals 20# linear gel, 929,712 gals 20# XL gel carrying 79,507# 100 mesh, 1,613,860# 20/40 sd & 397,360 20/40 SB excel sd. IP: 8-17-14 Pump 24 hrs 292 BO, 1514 BW, 480 MCF, GOR 1644, Gty 41. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 334 w/350 sx, 9 5/8 @ 1301 w/500 sx, 7 @ 7187 w/750 sx, 4 1/2 @ 6941-11356 MD, 2 7/8 @ 6826; API #30-015-42028

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Arcturus 18 Federal #6
Hackberry; Sec 18 T19S R31E; 1820/N & 208/E. BHL: 1713/N & 335/W; EL 3431 GL, TD 12506 MD, 7839 TVD, PBTD 1256 MD; Spud 3-6-14, Comp 4-4-14; production is through treated perfs: 6090-12448. Treat: 910,500# 30/50, 357,200# 20/40, 39,500 gals 15% HCl acid. IP: 6-19-14 Flow 24 hrs 222 BO, 769 BW, 1561 MCF, TP 240, CP 320, GOR 7032. Csg; 20 @ 460 w/300 sx, 13 3/8 @ 469 w/1805 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2428 w/1556 sx, 5 1/2 @ 4000 w/2337 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7517; API #30-015-42075

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Rigel 20 Federal Com #5
North Hackberry; Sec 19 T19S R31E; 480/N & 190/E. BHL: 595/N & 342/E; EL 3417 GL, TD 12785 MD, 8012 TVD, PBTD 12787; Spud 2-25-14, Comp 6-8-14; production is through treated perfs: 8235-12767. Treat: 32,014 gals 15% HCL, 223,191# 100 mesh, 882,682# 20/70, 46,994# 20/40. IP: 6-23-14 Flow 24 hrs 226 BO, 1169 BW, 645 MCF, TP 430, CP 220, GOR 2854. Csg: 20 @ 470 w/1099 sx, 13 3/8 @ 2460 w/2305 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4002 w/1945 sx, 5 1/2 @ 12835 w/2760 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7696; API #30-015-41514

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Malaga 30 LI Federal Com #1
South Pierce Crossing; Sec 30 T24S R29E; 2090/S & 300/W. BHL: 2058/S & 336/E; EL 2912 GL, TD 12675 MD, 8493 TVD, PBTD 12787 MD, 7689 TVD; Spud 5-25-14, Comp 7-20-14; production is through treated perfs: 8799-12781. Treat: 320498 gals SW, 305561 gals 20# linear gel, 826,718 gals 20# XL gel carrying 80,844# 100 mesh. IP: 8-5-14 Flow 24 hrs 353 BO, 266 BW, 380 MCF, TP 475, CP 1250, GOR 1076, Gty 54. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 375 w/760 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2675 w/900 sx, 7 @ 8728 w/1000 sx, 4 1/2 @ 8520-12807, 2 7/8 @ 8477; API #30-015-42193

COG Operating LLC
SRO State Com #58
South Red Bluff; Sec 21 T26S R28E; 210/S & 1935/W. BHL: 373/N & 2258/W; EL 2964 GL, TD 12802, PBTD 12760; Spud 5-8-14, Comp 7-19-14; production is through treated perfs: 8395-12610. Treat: Acdz w/165858 gals 7 1/2%, Frac w/6277554# sd & 5099036 gal fluid. IP: 8-11-14 Flow 24 hrs 766 BO, 2201 BW, 1176 MCF, TP 550, CP 100. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 360 w/400 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2654 w/925 sx, 5 1/2 @ 12763 w/2150 sx, 2 7/8 @ 8308; API #30-015-41930

COG Operating LLC
SRO State Com #63
South Red Bluff; Sec 10 T26S R28E; 2450/N & 660/W. BHL: 365/S & 777/W; EL 3011.9 GL, TD 15695, PBTD 15560; Spud 5-6-14, Comp 7-20-14; production is through perfs: 8251-15520. IP: 7-30-14 Flow 24 hrs 752 BO, 1979 BW, 1345 MCF, CP 160. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 434 w/420 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2537 w/850 sx, 5 1/2 @ 15656 w/3130 sx, 2 7/8 @ 8206; API #30-015-41742

Lea County

Nadel & Gussman Permian LLC
Nighthawk State Com #1
Airstrip; Sec 29 T18S R35E; 180/N & 530/W. BHL: 330/S & 330/W; EL 3921 GL, TD 14,350, PBTD 14,339; Spud 3-12-14, Comp 6-27-14; production is through treated perfs: 10141-13857, 13,957-14,175. Treat: 1281 bbls 15%, 61,708 bbls frac fluid, 2000 gals acetic. IP: 7-5-14 Flow 24 hrs 72 BO, 471 BW, TSTM MCF, 17/64" Ch, TP 75, CP 250. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1873 w/1520 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3361 w/1050 sx, 5 1/2 @ 14350 w/2120 sx, 2 7/8 @ 9300; API #30-025-41519

Cimarex Energy Co.
Triste Draw 36 State #2
Triste Draw; Sec 36 T23S R32E; 150/N & 1261/W. BHL: 1044/S & 1159/W; EL 3686 GL, TD 13691, PBTD 13686; Spud 1-22-14, Comp 3-21-14; production is through treated perfs: 9475-13655. Treat: 6,130,740 gals total fluid & 5,871,492# sd. IP: 3-27-14 Flow 24 hrs 433 BO, 586 BW, 600 MCF, 34/64" Ch, TP 200,

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CP 400, GOR 1385.68, Gty 43.62. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1215 w/1165 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4888 w/1530 sx, 5 1/2 @ 13688 w/2275 sx, 2 3/8 @ 9341; API #30-025-40665

Endurance Resources LLC
Jazzmaster 17 State #3
Cruz; Sec 17 T23S R33E; 330/N & 1980/E. BHL: 268.S & 1955/E; EL 3702 GL, TD 15,316, PBTD 15,253; Spud 4-30-14, Comp 6-16-14; production is through treated perfs: 11320-15198. Treat: 39000 gals HCL, 73,792 bbls gel wtr, 2806280# 30/50 carbolite, 619,580# 20/40 carbolite. IP: 7-9-14 Flow 24 hrs 819 BO, 2023 BW, 794 MCF, 48/64" Ch, TP 690, CP 185, GOR 969, Gty 45. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1304 w/1220 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5140 w/1190 sx, 51/2 @ 15308 w/2580 sx; API #30-025-41426

Endurance Resources LLC
Stratocaster 20 Federal #2
West Antelope Ridge; Sec 20 T23S R34E; 330/S & 1980/W. BHL: 330/N & 1980/W; EL 3535 GL, TD 14808 MD, 10525 TVD, PBTD 14,740 MD; Spud 1-20-14, Comp 3-18-14; production is through treated perfs: 10813-14724. Treat: Frac w/22,500 gals 15% HCL acid + 66,051 bbls gel wtr + 118,654# 100 mesh sd + 3,321,829# 20/40 carbolite. IP: 3-29-14 Flow 24 hrs 727 BO, 1088 BW, 1129 MCF, 48/64" Ch, TP 400, GOR 1553, Gty 45. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1124 w/1350 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5102 w/1900 sx, 5 1/2 @ 14805 w/2300 sx; API #30-025-41381

Endurance Resources Inc.
Telecaster 20 Federal #2
West Antelope Ridge; Sec 30 T23S R34E; 330/N & 1800/W. BHL: 302/S & 2025/W; EL 3601 GL, TD 14,935 MD, 10-,532 TVD, PBTD 14,862 MD, 10,532 TVD ; Spud 3-31-14, Comp 5-10-14; production is through treated perfs: 10850-14852. Treat: Acdz w/36,000 gals 15% HCL + 71,910 bbls gel wtr + 1,990,683# 20/50 carbolite + 1,469,585# 20/40 carbolite. IP: 5-16-14 Flow 24 hrs 1794 BO, 230 BW, 3670 MCF, 43/64" Ch, CP 1763, GOR 2045;1, Gty 45. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1300 w/1355 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5100 w/1410 sx, 5 1/2 @ 14,931 w/2390 sx; API #30-025-41747

EOG Resources Inc.
Dragon 36 State #7
Red Hills; Sec 36 T24S R33E; 220/S & 715/E, BHL: 230/N & 1010/E; EL 3479 GL, TD 14269 MD, 9417 TVD, PBTD 14269; Spud 3-28-14, Comp 6-17-14; production is through perfs: 9260-14135. IP: 7-29-14 Flow 24 hrs 851 BO, 515 BW, 1646 MCF, Open Ch, TP 950. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1263 w/800 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5136 w/1200 sx, 5 1/2 @ 14269 w/300 sx; API #30-025-40929

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Trionyx 6 Federal #6
Wildcat; Sec 6 T25S R32E; 200/S & 2260/E. BHL: 272/N & 1717/E; EL 3443 GL, TD 12902 MD, 8210 TVD, PBTD 12,856; Spud 9-19-13, Comp 1-23-14; production is through treated perfs: 8475-12832. Treat: 50,979 gals 15% HCL acid, 987,434# 100 mesh sd, 1,028,153# 40/70 white sd, 418,749# SLC sd. IP: 1-23-14 Pump 24 hrs 973 BO, 1567 BW, 1496 MCF, GOR 1537.5. Csg; 13 3/8 @ 774 w/820 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4470 w/960 sx, 5 1/2 @ 12902 w/1865 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7409.5; API #30-025-40046

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Concho County

FLAG ENERGY, LLC, GATES OF EDEN (KING LO) (O) DRILL Well# 1 LUSTER LOCKETT, 550 FWL 882 FNL, SEC 2044 BLK 72, W GOTTHARDT SUR., A-297 2100', 5 S EDEN API# 42-095-32408

Crockett County

DEVON ENERGY PROD. CO., LP, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL Well# 1P UNIVERSITY 50-12 WEST, 600 FNL 954 FWL, SEC 12 BLK 50, UL SUR., A-U509 9000', 26 NW OZONA API# 42-105-42084

EP ENERGY E&P CO., LP, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4109KH UNIVERSITY EAST, 2538 FNL 411 FWL, SEC 9 BLK 41, UL SUR. 8000', 22 N OZONA API# 42-105-42073

EP ENERGY E&P CO., LP, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4109NH UNIVERSITY EAST, 2574 FNL 2570 FEL, SEC 9 BLK 41, UL SUR., A-U329 8000', 22 N OZONA API# 42-105-42081

EP ENERGY E&P CO., LP, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4108JH UNIVERSITY EAST, 2710 FNL 1910 FEL, SEC 8 BLK 41, UL SUR. 8000', 22 N OZONA API# 42-105-42072

EP ENERGY E&P CO., LP, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4109RH UNIVERSITY EAST, 2572 FNL 259 FEL, SEC 9 BLK 41, UL SUR., A-U329 8000', 22 N OZONA API# 42-105-42082

EP ENERGY E&P CO., LP, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4109JH UNIVERSITY EAST, 2538 FNL 391 FWL, SEC 9 BLK 41, UL SUR., A-U329 8000', 22 N OZONA API# 42-105-42071

EP ENERGY E&P CO., LP, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4109OH UNIVERSITY EAST, 2574 FNL 2550 FEL, SEC 9 BLK 41, UL SUR., A-U329 8000', 22 N OZONA API# 42-105-42078

EP ENERGY E&P CO., LP, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4109MH UNIVERSITY EAST, 2574 FNL 2590 FEL, SEC 9 BLK 41, UL SUR. 8000', 22 N OZONA API# 42-105-42077

EP ENERGY E&P CO., LP, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4109QH UNIVERSITY EAST, 2572 FNL 279 FEL, SEC 9 BLK 41, UL SUR., A-U329 8000', 22 N OZONA API# 42-105-42079

EP ENERGY E&P CO., LP, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4109LH UNIVERSITY EAST, 2538 FNL 431 FWL, SEC 9 BLK 41, UL SUR. 8000', 22 N OZONA API# 42-105-42075

EP ENERGY E&P CO., LP, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4108KH UNIVERSITY EAST, 2709 FNL 1890 FEL, SEC 8 BLK 41, UL SUR. 8000', 22 N OZONA API# 42-105-42076

EP ENERGY E&P CO., LP, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4109OH UNIVERSITY EAST, 2574 FNL 2550 FEL, SEC 9 BLK 41, UL SUR., A-U329 8000', 22 N OZONA API# 42-105-42078

GREAT WESTERN DRILLING CO., SW ESCONDIDO (DETRITAL) (O) DRILL Well# 1 UNIVERSITY 31, 470 FWL 950 FNL, SEC 31 BLK 6, UL SUR. 10000', 37 NE OZONA API# 42-105-42069

Irion County

APACHE CORPORATION, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# H 64M SSH UNIT, 395 FSL 19068 FEL, SEC 2, M CHAMBERLAIN/ WA RATLIFF SUR., A-1232 9999', 8 NE BARNHART API# 42-235-35882

APACHE CORPORATION, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# H 60UU SSH UNIT, 395 FSL 19008 FEL, SEC 2, M CHAMBERLAIN/ WA RATLIFF SUR., A-1232 9999', 8 NE BARNHART API# 42-235-35884

APACHE CORPORATION, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# H 50UU SSH UNIT, 395 FSL 19794 FEL, SEC 2, M CHAMBERLAIN/ WA RATLIFF SUR., A-1232 9999', 7 NE BARNHART API# 42-235-35881

APACHE CORPORATION, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# H 84M SSH UNIT, 271 FSL 16803 FEL, SEC 2, M CHAMBERLAIN/ WA RATLIFF SUR., A-1232 9999', 8 NE BARNHART API# 42-235-35886

APACHE CORPORATION, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# H 74M SSH UNIT, 395 FSL 17713 FEL, SEC 2, M CHAMBERLAIN/ WA RATLIFF SUR., A-1232 9999', 7 NE BARNHART API# 42-235-35885

BANNER O&G LLC, FUNK (SAN ANDRES) (O) DRILL Well# 506 STEPHENS, 200 FNL 1365 FEL, SEC 5 BLK 5, H&TC SUR., A-306 2000', 19 NW SAN ANGELO API# 42-235-35894

BANNER O&G LLC, FUNK (SAN ANDRES) (O) DRILL Well# 1015 STEPHENS, 811 FSL 2132 FEL, SEC 10 BLK 5, H&TC/I FUNK SUR., A-1169 2000', 19 NW SAN ANGELO API# 42-235-35893

BROAD OAK ENERGY II, LLC, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# S111HU FARMAR A, 1273 FWL 2135 FNL, SEC 11 BLK 1, H&TC SUR., A-236 9000', 11 W MERTZON API# 42-235-35891

DEVON ENERGY PROD. CO., LP, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 25H DEVACA, 2050 FNL 844 FWL, SEC 76 BLK 1, H&TC/GB CATHEY SUR., A-825 9000', 8 SW MERTZON API# 42-235-35889

FORELAND OPER., LLC, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 7HR AUGUSTUS MCCRAE 22, 900 FSL 2460 FEL, SEC 22, WC/ TW TURNER SUR., A-882 9000', 5 NE BARNHART API# 42-235-35819

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2HB TUCKER 166, 175 FSL 1343 FEL, SEC 166 BLK 1, T&P/ WC CASTLEBERRY SUR., A-1259 10000', 9 NW BARNHART API# 42-235-35895

McCulloch County

FLINT ROCK RES. MGMNT INC., EXOC (O) DRILL Well# 1 CARR, 152 FNL 152 FWL, SEC 1057, L CAILLONETTE SUR., A-1992 1200', 2 E LOHN API# 42-307-31177

FLINT ROCK RES. MGMNT INC., EXOC (O) DRILL Well# 3 HEMPHILL, 152 FSL 152 FEL, SEC 1059, H BECKMANN SUR., A-160 1200', 2 E LOHN API# 42-307-31178

Reagan County

APACHE CORPORATION, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1441HU SRH NORTH, 310 FNL 2015 FEL, SEC 14 BLK A, RW MCGREW SUR., A-366 7900', 20 N BIG LAKE API# 42-383-38856

APACHE CORPORATION, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1425HL SRH NORTH, 260 FNL 885 FEL, SEC 14 BLK A, RW MCGREW SUR., A-366 8800', 19 NW BIG LAKE API# 42-383-38831

APACHE CORPORATION, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1431HC SRH NORTH, 420 FNL 2113 FWL, SEC 14 BLK A, RW MCGREW SUR., A-366 9660', 20 N BIG LAKE API# 42-383-38882

APACHE CORPORATION, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1432HM SRH NORTH, 200 FNL 2170 FEL, SEC 14 BLK A, RW MCGEW SUR., A-366 8400', 20 N BIG LAKE API# 42-383-38876

APACHE CORPORATION, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1429HL SRH NORTH, 480 FNL 2097 FEL, SEC 14 BLK A, RW MCGREW SUR., A-366 8840', 20 N BIG LAKE API# 42-383-38884

APACHE CORPORATION, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1435HC SRH NORTH, 3015 FNL 567 FWL, SEC 14 BLK A, RW MCGREW SUR., A-366 9750', 20 N BIG LAKE API# 42-383-38889

APACHE CORPORATION, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1430HU SRH NORTH, 260 FNL 2170 FEL, SEC 14 BLK A, RW MCGREW SUR., A-366 8000', 20 N BIG LAKE API# 42-383-38881

APACHE CORPORATION, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1433HL SRH NORTH, 3075 FNL 567 FWL, SEC 14 BLK A, RW MCGREW SUR., A-366 8860', 20 N BIG LAKE API# 42-383-38890

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APACHE CORPORATION, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1434HU SRH NORTH, 3075 FNL 752 FWL, SEC 14 BLK A, RW MCGREW SUR., A-366 8000', 20 N BIG LAKE API# 42-383-38905

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CALLON PETRO. OPERATING CO., LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3LH UNIVERSITY 27-34, 400 FNL 2275 FEL, SEC 22 BLK 2, UL SUR., A-U58 8850', 16 NW BIG LAKE API# 42-383-38969

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DEVON ENERGY PROD. CO., LP, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4H UNIVERSITY 48-09, 2642 FSL 1893 FEL, SEC 9 BLK 48, UL SUR. 9000', 9 SE BIG LAKE API# 42-383-39017

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ENDURING RESOURCES, LLC, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H BALL 197, 325 FSL 497 FEL, SEC 197 BLK 1, T&P SUR., A-559 8600', 7 NE BIG LAKE API# 42-383-39027

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SM ENERGY COMPANY, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4043H JAMIE, 2370 FWL 955 FSL, SEC 33 BLK 41 T4S, T&P SUR., A-478 9200', 21 SW MIDKIFF API# 42-461-39580

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, S KING MTN (ATOKA) (O) DRILL Well# 1306 CINDY B, 1980 FWL 1980 FNL, SEC 13 BLK 42 T5S, T&P SUR., A-523 11300', 28 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-39540

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, MCELROY (STRAWN) (O) DRILL (DETRITAL) Well# 6805 KELLI, 660 FEL 2173 FNL, SEC 68 BLK C, CCSD&RGNG/ MRS LA SELF SUR., A-600 13000', 13 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-39577

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, MCELROY (STRAWN) (O) DRILL (DETRITAL) Well# 8510 MARY O, 2173 FWL 467 FNL, SEC 85 BLK D, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-53 13000', 13 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-39527

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 914 CRISTIA, 477 FWL 1980 FNL, SEC 109 BLK D, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-65 10400', 17 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-39596

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, S KING MTN (ATOKA) (O) DRILL Well# 2615 NANCY, 467 FWL 467 FSL, SEC 26 BLK 42 T5S, T&P/ODESSA RANCH CO SUR., A-1480 11750', 27 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-39466

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, S KING MTN (ATOKA) (O) DRILL Well# 2910 BOBBIE, 1780 FWL 467 FNL, SEC 29 BLK 41 T5S, T&P SUR., A-500 11200', 26 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-39503

XTO ENERGY, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL Well# 2824WB RS WINDHAM, 2162 FWL 491 FSL, SEC 128 BLK D, CCSD&RGNG/ RS WINDHAM SUR., A-1306 11150', 8 E CRANE API# 42-461-39607

XTO ENERGY, INC., SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1701AH LHS RANCH, 520 FWL 600 FSL, SEC 8 BLK 38 T5S, T&P/ TP ROBERTSON SUR., A-1162 9400', 4 NW MIDKIFF API# 42-461-39499

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Andrews County

APACHE CORPORATION, THREE BAR (WICHITA) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 122H UNIVERSITY TB (SHALLOW) UNIT A-1, 471 FNL 1875 FEL, SEC 17 BLK 11, UL SUR., A-U337 8000', 20 SW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46474

APACHE CORPORATION, THREE BAR (WICHITA) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 118H UNIVERSITY TB (SHALLOW) UNIT A-1, 293 FNL 634 FEL, SEC 17 BLK 11, UL SUR., A-U337 8000', 20 SW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46473

APACHE CORPORATION, THREE BAR (WICHITA) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3H UNIVERSITY BAR 36, 300 FSL 1375 FWL, SEC 36 BLK 12, UL SUR. 7600', 18 SW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46395

APACHE CORPORATION, BAKKE (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL Well# 178 BAKKE UNIT, 1600 FSL 550 FWL, SEC 20 BLK A44, PSL/JE PARKER SUR., A-2056 9800', 4 S ANDREWS API# 42-003-46275

CLAYTON WILLIAMS ENERGY, INC., MAGUTEX (STRAWN) (O) DRILL Well# 16 KOLB 31-5, 467 FWL 467 FSL, SEC 31 BLK 3, PSL/WD MCCARLEY SUR., A-2006 10800', 7 SE ANDREWS API# 42-003-46398

CLAYTON WILLIAMS ENERGY, INC., MAGUTEX (STRAWN) (O) DRILL Well# 15 KOLB 31-5, 467 FSL 1980 FEL, SEC 31 BLK 3, PSL/ WD MCCARLEY SUR., A-2006 11250', 7 SE ANDREWS API# 42-003-46379

CLAYTON WILLIAMS ENERGY, INC., MAGUTEX (STRAWN) (O) DRILL Well# 10 KOLB 31-5, 660 FNL 660 FEL, SEC 31 BLK 3, PSL/WD MCCARLEY SUR., A-2006 11250', 7 SE ANDREWS API# 42-003-46492

CLAYTON WILLIAMS ENERGY, INC., MAGUTEX (STRAWN) (O) DRILL Well# 13 KOLB 31-5, 1980 FWL 1870 FSL, SEC 31 BLK 3, PSL/ WD MCCARLEY SUR., A-2006 11200', 7 SE ANDREWS API# 42-003-46384

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO., EMBAR (PERMIAN) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3002HN UNIVERSITY ANDREWS, 362 FWL 1052 FNL, SEC 30 BLK 10, UL SUR. 8000', 16 SW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46381

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO., EMBAR (PERMIAN) (O) DRILL Well# 6 EMBAR UNIVERSITY, 1420 FNL 1220 FEL, SEC 31 BLK 10, UL SUR. 6655', 17 SW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46528

ELEVATION RESOURCES LLC, S ANDREWS (DEVONIAN) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H UNIVERSITY 28 UNIT, 1600 FWL 800 FNL, SEC 28 BLK 1, UNIV LAND SUR. 11800', 10 S ANDREWS API# 42-003-46380

FORGE ENERGY, LLC, N SHAFTER LAKE (SA) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1413AH VALOR, 200 FSL 1230 FWL, SEC 13 BLK A26, PSL/HT HODGE SUR., A-412 5200', 15 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46506

OXY USA, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4521H SERAPHINA, 670 FNL 1992 FEL, SEC 45 BLK 40 T1N, G&MMB&A SUR., A-93 12500', 16 NW MIDLAND API# 42-003-46378

OXY USA, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4522DH SERAPHINA, 330 FNL 1947 FEL, SEC 45 BLK 40 T1N, G&MMB&A SUR., A-93 12500', 16 NW MIDLAND API# 42-003-46400

PACESETTER ENERGY, LLC, SHAFTER LAKE (SA) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H UNIVERSITY JV 14, 350 FEL 200 FSL, SEC 4 BK 14, UL SUR., A-U444 9000', 7 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46447

PACESETTER ENERGY, LLC, SHAFTER LAKE (SA) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H UNIVERSITY JV 14, 2187 FEL 2804 FNL, SEC 3 BLK 14, UL SUR. 9000', 7 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46448

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 26H UNIVERSITY 7-43, 100 FSL 2562 FEL, SEC 35 BLK 7, UL SUR., A-U210 11250', 17 E ANDREWS API# 42-003-46411

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 25H UNIVERSITY 7-43, 100 FSL 2592 FEL, SEC 35 BLK 7, UL SUR., A-210 11250', 17 E ANDREWS API# 42-003-46410

QEP ENERGY COMPANY, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 MABEE N, 1980 FNL 824 FEL, SEC 22 BLK 39 T2N, G&MMB&A SUR., A-2305 12500', 20 SE ANDREWS API# 42-003-46408

RING ENERGY, INC., BLK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 1 CREWS-MAST LTD, 1962 FSL 2180 FWL, SEC 8 BLK A34, PSL-AS CLEVELAND SUR., A-1676 6002', 12 N ANDREWS API# 42-003-35724

RING ENERGY, INC., BLK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 2 SE CREWS-MAST 8, 2180 FEL 980 FSL, SEC 8 BLK A34, PSL/AS CLEVELAND SUR., A-1676 6100', 12 N ANDREWS API# 42-003-34698

SAGA PETRO. LLC OF COLORADO, MARTIN (CONS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 8 STATE OF TEXAS BK, 875 FEL 1657 FSL, SEC 26 BLK 11, UL SUR., A-U346 8400', 18 SW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46576

SAGA PETRO. LLC OF COLORADO, MARTIN (CONS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 10 STATE OF TEXAS BK, 2240 FWL 1645 FSL, SEC 26 BLK 11, UL SUR., A-U346 8400', 18 SW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46494

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 14 UNIVERSITY 13-28, 990 FSL 330 FEL, SEC 28 BLK 13, UL SUR. 5200', 11 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46510

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 29 UNIVERSITY 13-39, 330 FNL 990 FWL, SEC 39 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U431 5200', 9 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46535

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 25 UNIVERSITY 13-33, 990 FSL 1650 FEL, SEC 33 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U425 5200', 11 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46534

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 15 UNIVERSITY 13-33, 1650 FNL 2310 FWL, SEC 33 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U425 5200', 11 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46500

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 18 UNIVERSITY 13-39, 2310 FSL 990 FWL, SEC 39 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U431 5200', 9 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46489

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, N SHAFTER LAKE (SA) (O) DRILL Well# 4 UNIVERSITY 38C, 2310 FNL 990 FEL, SEC 38 BLK 13, UL SUR. 5200', 8 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46490

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 5 UNIVERSITY 38A, 1655 FSL 990 FEL, SEC 38 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U430 5200', 8 NW ANDREWS API# 42-

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SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 11 UNIVERSITY 38, 2309 FNL 330 FWL, SEC 38 BLK 13, UL SUR. 5200', 8 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46484

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 6 UNIVERSITY 13-34, 1650 FSL 330 FWL, SEC 34 BLK13, UL SUR., A-U426 5200', 9 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46488

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 27 UNIVERSITY 13-33, 330 FSL 990 FEL, SEC 33 BLK 13, UL SUR. 5200', 11 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46499

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 12 UNIVERSITY 38, 990 FNL 1650 FWL, SEC 38 BLK 13, UL SUR. 5200', 8 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46485

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 13 UNIVERSITY 13-33, 990 FNL 990 FEL, SEC 33 BLK 13, UL SUR. 5200', 11 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46568

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 3 UNIVERSITY 38E, 330 FNL 1350 FEL, SEC 38 BLK 13, UL SUR. 5200', 8 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46521

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 33 UNIVERSITY 13-33, 2310 FSL 2310 FWL, SEC 33 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U425 5200', 11 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46504

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 23 UNIVERSITY 13-34, 2310 FNL 2310 FEL, SEC 34 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U426 5200', 10 SW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46511

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 30 UNIVERSITY 13-33, 1650 FSL 2310 FEL, SEC 33 BLK 13, PSL SUR. 5200', 11 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46567

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC , FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 31 UNIVERSITY 13-33, 990 FSL 330 FEL, SEC 33 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U425 5200', 11 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46571

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 24 UNIVERSITY 13-33, 1650 FSL 1650 FWL, SEC 33 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U425 5200', 11 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46572

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 2 UNIVERSITY 47, 990 FNL 1650 FWL, SEC 47 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U439 5200', 10 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46505

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 14 UNIVERSITY 13-33, 990 FNL 2310 FEL, SEC 33 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U425 5200', 11 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46573

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 10 UNIVERSITY 13-33, 990 FNL 1650 FWL, SEC 33 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U425 5200', 11 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46569

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 22 UNIVERSITY 13-33, 2310 FSL 990 FWL, SEC 33 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U425 5200', 11 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46503

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 29 UNIVERSITY 13-33, 2310 FSL 1650 FEL, SEC 33 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U425 5200', 11 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46566

TEXLAND PETROLEUM, LP, FULLERTON (SAN ANDRES) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 2014 SCARBOROUGH UNIT, 400 FNL 2338 FWL, SEC 20 BLK A-31, PSL SUR., A-2130 7551', 22 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-45071

TREY RESOURCES INC., SHAFTER LAKE (SA) (O) DRILL Well# 14 DOW HALL, 660 FSL 1980 FWL, SEC 1 BLK A36, PSL/WF KERBY SUR., A-1963 5500', 9 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46546

XTO ENERGY, INC., FULLERTON (O) DRILL Well# 4356 FULLERTON CLEARFORK UNIT, 351 FSL 1076 FWL, SEC 31 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U423 7700', 15 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46532

XTO ENERGY, INC., FULLERTON (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 4466 FULLERTON CLEARFORK UNIT, 337 FNL 739 FWL, SEC 42 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U434 7400', 15 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46531

XTO ENERGY, INC., FULLERTON (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 4371 FULLERTON CLEARFORK UNIT, 1156 FSL 577 FEL, SEC 31 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U423 7450', 14 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46530

XTO ENERGY, INC., FULLERTON (O) DRILL Well# 5531 FULLERTON CLEARFORK UNIT, 1609 FNL 167 FEL, SEC 4 BLK A32, PSL/CW LOGSDON SUR., A-1972 7700', 19 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46509

XTO ENERGY, INC., FULLERTON (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 6718R FULLERTON CLEARFORK UNIT, 1292 FNL 1484 FWL, SEC 16 BLK A32, PSL/ GW STANFORD SUR., A-644 7700', 18 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46556

XTO ENERGY, INC., FULLERTON (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 6718R FULLERTON CLEARFORK UNIT, 1292 FNL 1524 FWL, SEC 16 BLK A32, PSL/ GW STANFORD SUR., A-644 7700', 18 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46522

Crane County

APACHE CORPORATION, LEA (SAN ANDRES) (RE-ENTER) (INJ) Well# 3SW UNIVERSITY 42, 1980 FNL 660 FWL, SEC 42 BLK 31, UL SUR., A-90 9100', 9 NW CRANE API# 42-103-32844

APACHE CORPORATION, ROEPKE (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL Well# 4 KING 59, 2273 FNL 1088 FWL, SEC 59 BLK X, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-43 8900', 7 NW CRANE API# 42-103-36411

APACHE CORPORATION, ROEPKE (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL Well# 2 KING 59, 1809 FSL 1158 FWL, SEC 59 BLK X, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-43 8400', 7 NW CRANE API# 42-103-36410

BURLINGTON RES O&G CO.-MIDLAND, DUNE (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1412H WN WADDELL, 289 FSL 1671 FWL, SEC 5 BLK B24, PSL/WN WADDELL SUR., A-1168 3500', 13 NW CRANE API# 42-103-36366

Culberson County

ARRIS OPER. CO. LLC, W FORD (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 94H HM PHILLIPS STATE SEC 16-21, 1780 FWL 200 FNL, SEC 16 BLK 110, PSL/CM CALDWELL SUR., A-6408 9300', 55 NE VAN HORN API# 42-109-32705

CAMBRIAN MANAGEMENT, LTD., W FORD (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 APACHE 47, 2310 FNL 990 FWL, SEC 47 BLK 58 T1S, T&P SUR., A-2660 5500', 75 NE VAN HORN API# 42-109-32709

CAMBRIAN MANAGEMENT, LTD., W FORD (O/G) DRILL Well# 9 COMANCHE 46, 2310 FSL 440 FEL, SEC 46 BLK 58 T1S, T&P/ WH ROGERS SUR., A-2067 5500', 74 NE VAN HORN API# 42-109-32707

CIMAREX ENERGY CO., W FORD (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H NEEDLES 39 UNIT, 402 FSL 2302 FEL, SEC 39 BLK 59 T1S, T&P SUR., A-2705 10743', 15 NW ORLA API# 42-109-32716

CIMAREX ENERGY CO., DERBY (BONE SPRING) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 9H BARBARO 23 UNIT, 270 FNL 550 FEL, SEC 23 BLK 59 T1S, T&P SUR., A-2697 8467', 16 NW ORLA API# 42-109-32703

COG OPERATING, LLC, W FORD (WOLFCAMP) (G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1822H GRISSOM, 170 FNL 1890 FWL, SEC 18 BLK 58 T1S, T&P/ WN ROGERS SUR., A-2062 10500', 62 NE KENT API# 42-109-32702

Ector County

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO., ANDECTOR (WICH ALB) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1701H EMBAR, 249 FNL 746 FWL, SEC 17 BLK 44 T1N, T&P SUR., A-260 7100', 20 SW ANDREWS API# 42-135-43088

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO., GOLDSMITH (CLRFRK) DRILL (DIREC) (INJ) Well# H161W GOLDSMITH ANDECTOR UNIT, 823 FSL 1751 FWL, SEC 13 BLK 45 T1N, T&P SUR., A-340 7100', 24 NW ODESSA API# 42-135-43139

FASKEN OIL AND RANCH, LTD., W LOWE (STRAWN) (O) DRILL Well# 3315 FEE BL, 440 FSL 880 FWL, SEC 33 BLK 41 T1N, G&MMB&A SUR., A-1112000', 1 NE GARDENDALE API# 42-135-43086

ICA ENERGY OPERATING, LLC, MONAHANS DRW (CNYN) (O) DRILL Well# 3 PARKER RANCHLAND 21, 660 FNL 1980 FEL, SEC 21 BLK 44 T2S, T&P SUR., A-304 10000', 13 W ODESSA API# 42-135-43149

LINN OPERATING, INC., GOLDSMITH (CLRFRK) (O/G) DRILL Well# 7 JOCELYN, 1034 FNL 1799 FWL, SEC 25 BLK 44 T1N, T&P SUR., A-264 7600', 2 NE GOLDSMITH API# 42-135-43131

OXY USA, INC., THREE BAR (WICHITA) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H O'REILLY WA, 330 FSL 467 FEL, SEC 6 BLK 45 T1N, T&P/M WEAVER SUR., A-877 11800', 12 NW GOLDSMITH API# 42-135-43141

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, GOLDSMITH (CLRFRK) (O/G) DRILL Well# 27 CVX 1, 2289 FNL 1623 FEL, SEC 1 BLK 45 T2S, T&P SUR., A-381 6250', 8 NW PENWELL API# 42-135-43135

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, GOLDSMITH (CLRFRK) (O/G) DRILL Well# 51 CVX 6, 340 FNL 1000 FEL, SEC 6 BLK 44 T2S, T&P/F VEST SUR., A-823 6300', 8 NW PENWELL API# 42-135-43099

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, GOLDSMITH (CLRFRK) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 4304 DOUGLASS PARKER, 1980 FEL 660 FSL, SEC 43 BLK 44 T1S, T&P SUR., A-291 9200', 8 N PENWELL API# 42-135-41260

Glasscock County

ADVENTURE EXPL PRTNRS II, LLC, NW GARDEN CITY (STRWN) (O) DRILL Well# 1A CALVERLEY 26, 467 FWL 1980 FNL, SEC 26 BLK 36 T4S, T&P/ ET COBB SUR., A-1225 12000', 14 NE GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-36683

ADVENTURE EXPL PRTNRS II, LLC, NW GARDEN CITY (STRWN) (O) DRILL Well# 1A CALVERLEY 30, 467 FSL 1980 FWL, SEC 30 BLK 35 T4S, T&P/ ET COBB SUR., A-950 12000', 12 NE GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-36684

BTA OIL PRODUCERS, LLC, S BLALOCK (WLFCMP) (O) DRILL Well# 2 9807 JV-P FLANAGAN A, 1597 FNL 1446 FEL, SEC 31 BLK 34 T3S, T&P SUR., A-232 7950', 6 NW GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-36626

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, PETEY (FUSSELMAN) (O) DRILL Well# 4 MARY BETH 3, 475 FWL 2300 FNL, SEC 3 BLK 35 T2S, RR WADE SUR., A-523 12000', 18 NW GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-36678

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, CEDAR FLATS (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 2 M HILLGER 16, 475 FWL 2165 FNL, SEC 16 BLK 34 T3S, T&P/ LH HILLGER SUR., A-996 12000', 8 NW GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-36687

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 WA HUTCHINSON A, 2200 FWL 1980 FSL, SEC 18 BLK 36 T4S, T&P/ WA HUTCHISON SUR., A-1173 12000', 14 NW ST. LAWRENCE API# 42-173-36703

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 NUTT 35, 2162 FWL 467 FSL, SEC 35 BLK 36 T2S, T&P SUR., A-389 12000', 17 NW GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-36694

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORP., FRYSAK FARMS (DEV) (O) DRILL Well# 15 GLASS, 1708 FSL 928 FEL, SEC 45 BLK 33 T5S, T&P SUR., A-191 11500', 15 SE GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-36581

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORP., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 103HR SAN JACINTO NS 36-37, 313 FNL 1635 FWL, SEC 36 BLK 34 T5S, T&P/ WJ PARK SUR., A-1237 9500', 15 SE GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-36669

LAREDO PETROLEUM, INC., JAILHOUSE (FSLMN) (O) DRILL Well# 2 GLASS 192, 1421 FNL 2110 FEL, SEC 192 BLK 29, W&NW/ WB CURRIE SUR., A-709 12000', 15 NE GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-36689

LAREDO PETROLEUM, INC., S GARDEN CITY (WLFCMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 6SC BIRDIE MAE 12, 467 FNL 1650 FEL, SEC 12 BLK 32 T3S, T&P/ C SCHOFER SUR., A-1115 12000', 7 NE GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-36677

LAREDO PETROLEUM, INC., S GARDEN CITY (WLFCMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2NC LACY CREEK 12-12A (ALLOC), 150 FSL 965 FWL, SEC 12 BLK 33 T5S, T&P/ ET WILLIAMSON SUR., A-909 12000', 11 SE GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-36657

LAREDO PETROLEUM, INC., S GARDEN CITY (WLFCMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2NP LACY CREEK 12-12A (ALLOC), 150 FSL 990 FWL, SEC 12 BLK 33 T5S, T&P/ ET WILLIAMSON SUR., A-909 12000', 11 SE GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-36658

Howard County

APACHE CORPORATION, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 HOLLER 18, 467 FNL 467 FWL, SEC 18 BLK 27, H&TC/H HOLLER SUR., A-1700 7700', 15 NW COAHOMA API# 42-227-38090

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, HILL RANCH (MISS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 DAVIDSON 9, 467 FNL 1088 FEL, SEC 9 BLK 32 T1N, T&P SUR., A-132 9890', 7 N BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38109

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, BIG SPRING (FSLMN) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 DUNCAN 17, 1709 FWL 2330 FSL, SEC 17 BLK 31 T1N, T&P SUR., A-88 9520', 8 N BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38057

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, STA (ATOKA) (O) DRILL Well# 1 PRICHARD 45, 1088 FSL 467 FWL, SEC 45 BLK 32 T2N, T&P SUR., A-285 9680', 8 N BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38084

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, HILL RANCH (MISS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 GARRETT 48, 2198 FEL 2174 FSL, SEC 48 BLK 33 T2N, T&P/ DP BAIN SUR., A-1240 10100', 8 N BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38087

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, MOORE (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 4 GLASS 47, 1709 FNL 1088 FEL, SEC 47 BLK 33 T1S, T&P SUR., A-381 9800', 7 W FARSAN API# 42-227-38068

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, MOORE (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 6 TUBB 39, 1088 FSL 467 FWL, SEC 39 BLK 33 T1S, T&P SUR., A-377 9880', 8 S BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38049

BREITBURN OPERATING L.P., CEDAR FLATS (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 4 MASE 30, 475 FNL 2330 FWL, SEC 30 BLK 33 T3N, T&P/CT ALLEN SUR., A-1234 12000', 4 SE ACKERLY API# 42-227-38039

COBRA OIL & GAS CORP., HILL RANCH (MISS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 FRYAR 19, 660 FSL 2169 FEL, SEC 19 BLK 34 T2N, T&P SUR., A-399 12000', 1 SW KNOTT API# 42-227-38064

COBRA OIL & GAS CORP., HILL RANCH (MISS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 JOHNSON 2, 857 FNL 2283 FEL, SEC 2 BLK 34 T2N, T&P/IO ALLRED SUR., A-1457 12000', 3 NW KNOTT API# 42-227-38066

COBRA OIL & GAS CORP., HILL RANCH (MISS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 5 GRANTHAM 12, 467 FSL 2171 FWL, SEC 12 BLK 34 T2N, T&P/ HW GRANTHAM SUR., A-1668 12000', 1 NW KNOTT API# 42-227-38065

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO., HOWARD GLASSCOCK (O) DRILL Well# 36 GO CHALK D, 507 FSL 200 FEL, SEC 124 BLK 29, W&NW/ MRS EP NUNN SUR., A-1477 5000', 6 SE FORSAN API# 42-227-38104

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO., HOWARD GLASSCOCK (O) DRILL Well# 33 GO CHALK D, 1330 FSL 390 FEL, SEC 124 BLK 29, W&NW/ MRS EP NUNN SUR., A-1477 4300', 6 E FORSAN API# 42-227-38103

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 2WS S WILKINSON, 475 FWL 475 FSL, SEC 14 BLK 34 T1N, T&P/EM ROSS SUR., A-1342 2000', 10 S KNOTT API# 42-227-38080

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 3WS S WILKINSON, 475 FSL 475 FEL, SEC 14 BLK 34 T1N, T&P/EM ROSS SUR., A-1342 2000', 10 S KNOTT API# 42-227-38081

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, CEDAR FLATS (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 151 S WILKINSON, 475 FWL 2165 FSL, SEC 15 BLK 34 T1N, T&P SUR., A-524 12000', 12 W BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38093

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, CEDAR FLATS (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 143 S WILKINSON, 680 FSL 655 FEL, SEC 14 BLK 34 T1N, T&P/ EM ROSS SUR., A-1342 12000', 10 S KNOTT API# 42-227-38076

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, CEDAR FLATS (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 144 S WILKINSON, 475 FSL 667 FWL, SEC 14 BLK 34 T1N, T&P/ EM ROSS SUR., A-1342 12000', 10 S KNOTT API# 42-227-38077

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, HILL RANCH (MISS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 WILKINSON RANCH 15, 2062 FEL 1960 FSL, SEC 15 BLK 34 T1N, T&P SUR., A-524 12000', 11 S KNOTT API# 42-227-38075

LAREDO PETROLEUM, INC., FRYSAK FARMS (DEV) (O) DRILL Well# 3 JLG 11, 976 FSL 1352 FWL, SEC 11 BLK 33 T2S, T&P SUR., A-386 12000', 16 N GLASSCOCK API# 42-227-38128

LAREDO PETROLEUM, INC., JAILHOUSE (FSLMN) (O) DRILL Well# 1 JEW 10 B, 1516 FSL 1805 FEL, SEC 10 BLK 33 T2S, T&P/ EW PERMINTER SUR., A-1075 12000', 7 W FORSAN API# 42-227-38098

TALL CITY OPERATIONS LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H WILLIAMS 24-13, 1320 FEL 365 FSL, SEC 24 BLK 33 T3N, T&P/ RE SLAUGHTER SUR., A-1563 9000', 8 E ACKERLY API# 42-227-38118

TRILOGY OPERATING INC., HILL RANCH (MISS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 5 BOA NORTH, 467 FNL 467 FEL, SEC 12 BLK 33 T2S, T&P/BH SETTLES SUR., A-1353 11000', 17 NE BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38086

TRILOGY OPERATING INC., HILL RANCH (MISS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 BUNBURY, 467 FSL 3544 FEL, SEC 104 BLK 29, W&NW/ OG JONES SUR., A-1495 11000', 9 SE BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38088

Loving County

ANADARKO E&P ONSHORE LLC, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H BLACKTIP 1-43, 527 FNWL 396 FNEL, SEC 43 BLK 1, W&NW SUR., A-176 13000', 8 SE MENTONE API# 42-301-32261

ANADARKO E&P ONSHORE LLC, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 7H BLACKTIP STATE 42, 575 FSL 1510 FEL, SEC 31 BLK 29, PSL/WD NELSON SUR., A-1194 13000', 7 NE MENTONE API# 42-301-32258

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORP., TWO GEORGES (B.S.) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H BUSH VIPER UNIT 1-56, 300 FNEL 700 FNWL, SEC 56 BLK 1, W&NW/ FR KENDALL SUR., A-1148 11500', 4 SE MENTONE API# 42-301-32262

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORP., TWO GEORGES (B.S.) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H BUSH VIPER UNIT 1-56, 300 FNEL 796 FSEL, SEC 56 BLK 1, W&NW/FR KENDALL SUR., A-1148 11500', 5 SE MENTONE API# 42-301-32263

EOG RESOURCES, INC., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H LINK-VJ RANCH E 55-2-14, 300 FNL 517 FWL, SEC 23 BLK 55 T2, T&P SUR., A-127 16000', 12 NW MENTONE API# 42-301-32257

MATADOR PROD. CO., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2001H BARNETT 90-TTT-B01 WF, 467 FNWL 400 FSWL, SEC 90 BLK 1, W&NW/JG ALLEN SUR., A-470 14000', 2 N MENTONE API# 42-301-32266

MEWBOURNE OIL CO., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# W101DM BRUMLOW 46, 195 FNL 467 FWL, SEC 46 BLK 28, PSL/LRK CUMMINGS SUR., A-1369 12500', 16 E MENTONE API# 42-301-32259

Martin County

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1502H DOROTHY FAYE A320 (ALLOC), 900 FSL 965 FEL, SEC 320, GARZA

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DEVELOPMENTAL WELLS

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CSL/LOT 15 SUR., A-999 10045', 6 W TARZAN API# 42-317-39548

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 1 MABEE 318, 483 FNL 928 FEL, SEC 318, PARMER CSL SUR., A-1006 12607', 10 NW TARZAN API# 42-317-34556

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, LOWE (ATOKA) (O/G) DRILL Well# 25 DOROTHY FAYE K, 467 FEL 467 FSL, GARZA CSL/LG 319/LB 21 SUR., A-998 12500', 9 SW TARZAN API# 42-317-39437

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1501H DOROTHY FAYE 248 (ALLOC), 1300 FSL 660 FWL, SEC 248, HARTLEY CSL/LOT 15 SUR., A-600 10010', 10 NW TARZAN API# 42-317-39532

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, LOWE (ATOKA) (O/G) DRILL Well# 6 DOROTHY FAYE 248, 467 FEL 922 FNL, SEC 248, HARTLEY CSL/LOT 24 SUR., A-600 12500', 9 NW TARZAN API# 42-317-39525

BREITBURN OPERATING L.P., CEDAR FLATS (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 3 COLE 6, 475 FEL 950 FSL, SEC 6 BLK 36 T2N, T&P/F BEALL SUR., A-690 12000', 5 NE TARZAN API# 42-317-39585

BREITBURN OPERATING L.P., CEDAR FLATS (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 3 VALERIA 34, 2305 FWL 475 FSL, SEC 34 BLK 37 T2N, T&P/PC TOM SUR., A-1093 12000', 4 SW TARZAN API# 42-317-39513

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, ROSE PETAL (LO MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 1 DOUBLE DAVIS 36, 475 FSL 2165 FEL, SEC 36 BLK 37 T1N, T&P/ JC DAVIDSON SUR., A-1107 12000', 7 NW STANTON API# 42-317-39670

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, CEDAR FLATS (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 4 WELCH 39, 475 FEL 475 FNL, SEC 39 BLK 37 T2N, T&P SUR., A-255 12000', 3 SE TARZAN API# 42-317-39651

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, ROSE PETAL (LO MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 2 LILLARD 65, 475 FSL 475 FEL, SEC 65 BLK A, BAUER & COCKRELL SUR., A-341 12000', 9 SE FLOWER GROVE API# 42-317-39661

DEVON ENERGY PROD. CO., LP, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL Well# 1V GLASS 12, 467 FSL 1659 FWL, SEC 8 BLK 38 T1N, T&P/ MISS ME WOOLDRIDGE SUR., A-857 10670', 17 NW STANTON API# 42-317-39688

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2306H MABEE BREEDLOVE, 1225 FNL 865 FWL, SEC 256, BRISCOE CSL SUR., A-595 11000', 13 NW TARZAN API# 42-317-39687

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 2SR KIMBERLY, 167 FEL 1850 FSL, SEC 7 BLK 39 T1S, T&P SUR., A-449 2000', 17 SW TARZAN API# 42-317-39645

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2303H MABEE BREEDLOVE, 895 FWL 1185 FSL, SEC 256, BRISCOE CSL SUR., A-595 11000', 13 NW TARZAN API# 42-317-39684

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2304H MABEE BREEDLOVE, 1225 FNL 895 FWL, BRISCOE CSL/LGE 256/TR 23 SUR., A-595 11000', 13 NW TARZAN API# 42-317-39665

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 5SR KIMBERLY, 1197 FWL 2347 FSL, SEC 7 BLK 39 T1S, T&P SUR., A-449 2000', 17 SW TARZAN API# 42-317-39648

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 3SR KIMBERLY, 2203 FEL 1912 FSL, SEC 8 BLK 39 T1N, T&P/ LO DUNN SUR., A-721 2000', 17 SW TARZAN API# 42-317-39646

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 4SR KIMBERLY, 536 FEL 2302 FNL, SEC 18 BLK 39 T1N, T&P/LO DUNN SUR., A-723 2000', 17 SW TARZAN API# 42-317-39647

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 6SR KIMBERLY, 258 FWL 396 FNL, SEC 8 BLK 39 T1N, T&P/LO DUNN SUR., A-721 2000', 17 SW TARZAN API# 42-317-39649

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2305H MABEE BREEDLOVE, 1185 FSL 865 FWL, SEC 256, BRISCOE CSL SUR., A-595 11000', 13 NW TARZAN API# 42-317-39666

ELEMENT PETRO. OPER. II, LLC, HILL RANCH (MISS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 SCOTT 34, 467 FNL 467 FWL, SEC 34 BLK 35 T1N, T&P SUR. 12000', 7 NE STANTON API# 42-317-39671

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 HILL 61E, 2178 FEL 2163 FNL, SEC 61 BLK A, BAUER & COCKRELL SUR., A-337 12000', 9 NE LENORAH API# 42-317-39672

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 GLENN 9, 467 FWL 2183 FSL, SEC 9 BLK 35 T1N, T&P SUR., A-45 12000', 6 SE LENORAH API# 42-317-39617

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP, SALE RANCH (FSLMN) (O) DRILL Well# 3 HOPPER 5, 330 FNL 330 FWL, SEC 5 BLK 38 T2N, T&P SUR., A-290 12000', 5 NE TARZAN API# 42-317-39506

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 MCKASKLE 3, 660 FWL 2171 FSL, SEC 3 BLK 35 T1N, T&P SUR., A-42 12000', 7 SE LENORAH API# 42-317-39637

LEGACY RESERVES OPERATING LP, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL Well# 4 DR ORSON, 2185 FNL 467 FEL, SEC 2 BLK 38 T2N, T&P/ GW TOM SUR., A-902 12000', 18 NW STANTON API# 42-317-39549

LEGACY RESERVES OPERATING LP, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL Well# 4 DR ORSON A, 467 FSL 467 FEL, SEC 2 BLK 38 T2N, T&P/ GW TOM SUR., A-902 12000', 18 NW STANTON API# 42-317-39551

OXY USA, INC., LOWE (ATOKA) (O) DRILL Well# 904 MABEE 139, 295 FNL 1982 FEL, SEC 9 BLK 39 T1N, G&MMB&A SUR. 12500', 14 NW MIDLAND API# 42-317-39597

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, BETTY SUE (DEVONIAN) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 REYNOLDS 2, 467 FNL 2842 FWL, SEC 2 BLK 36 T1N, T&P/ H TIEMANN SUR., A-1011 12100', 3 SE LENORAH API# 42-317-39543

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 5H SALE RANCH 16E, 2621 FSL 1701 FEL, SEC 16 BLK 37 T1N, T&P/ HT WILSON SUR., A-666 10750', 11 NW STANTON API# 42-317-39610

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 KUHLMAN, 2170 FWL 2176 FNL, SEC 39 BLK 36 T2N, T&P SUR., A-170 11300', 13 NW STANTON API# 42-317-39644

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 DAWKINS A, 660 FEL 660 FSL, SEC 33 BLK 36 T2N, T&P SUR., A-167 11100', 13 N STANTON API# 42-317-39669

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. API# 42-317-39668, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 RICHARDS 47, 467 FWL 1980 FNL, SEC 47 BLK 36 T4N, T&P SUR., A-194 11175', 27 NW STANTON

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 6H SALE RANCH 16F, 2576 FSL 1701 FEL, SEC 16 BLK 37 T1N, T&P/ HT WILSON SUR., A-666 10750', 11 NW STANTON API# 42-317-39630

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4H SALE RANCH 16D, 2645 FNL 1701 FEL, SEC 16 BLK 37 T1N, T&P/ HT WILSON SUR., A-666 10750', 11 NW STANTON API# 42-317-39606

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 6 MOSES TRUST 69, 2005 FWL 1010 FNL, SEC 69 BLK B, BAUER & COCKRELL SUR., A-345 11200', 21 NW STANTON API# 42-317-39614

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 5H SALE RANCH 15E, 100 FSL 1696 FWL, SEC 15 BLK 37 T1N, T&P SUR., A-219 10640', 11 NW STANTON API# 42-317-39579

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (INJ) Well# 1D SALE RANCH Q, 740 FWL 2265 FNL, SEC 21 BLK 37 T1N, T&P SUR., A-222 5400', 11 NW STANTON API# 42-317-39639

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (INJ) Well# 1D BLOCKER, 841 FEL 1571 FNL, SEC 10 BLK 37 T1S, T&P/JS DAY SUR., A-645 4400', 7 W STANTON API# 42-317-39638

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4H SALE RANCH 15D, 100 FSL 1651 FWL, SEC 15 BLK 37 T1N, T&P SUR., A-219 10640', 11 NW STANTON API# 42-317-39589

QEP ENERGY COMPANY, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# H 5WD UNIVERSITY 7-27, 1557 FNL 1473 FEL, SEC 27 BLK 7, UL SUR., A-U27 11100', 13 NW TARZAN API# 42-317-39593

QEP ENERGY COMPANY, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 16 MABEE B, 2941 FNL 1866 FWL, SEC 3 BLK H A, HA MOORE SUR., A-918 12500', 12 NW TARZAN API# 42-317-39592

QEP ENERGY COMPANY, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 18 MABEE C, 660 FNL 660 FEL, SEC 7 BLK 39 T2N, G&MMB&A SUR., A-369 12500', 12 W TARZAN API# 42-317-39622

W & T OFFSHORE, INC., LOWE (ATOKA) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 LEMBERGER-EMIR UNIT, 665 FNL 1021 FWL, SEC 258, BRISCOE CSL SUR., A-597 12500', 20 SW LAMESA API# 42-317-39611

Midland County

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, PARKS (CONS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 30 RV POWELL ET AL, 1980 FNL 2640 FEL, SEC 1 BLK 37 T3S, T&P SUR., A-479 10610', 9 SE GREENWOOD API# 42-329-39481

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# S018WB GRIDIRON, 1884 FSL 300 FWL, SEC 48 BLK 40 T1S, T&P/ J SCHARBAUER SUR., A-830 10000', 5 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-39484

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4108H ST, 200 FEL 300 FNL, SEC 44 BLK 40 T1S, T&P/W LARGENT SUR., A-800 11000', 5 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-39466

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 505H ST S, 900 FWL 1100 FNL, SEC 5 BLK 40 T1S, T&P SUR., A-49 11000', 5 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-39430

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 506H ST S, 2543 FWL 565 FSL, SEC 44 BLK 40 T1S, T&P/ W LARGENT SUR., A-800 11000', 5 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-39433

HENRY RESOURCES LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 9 CASSELMAN 40, 660 FEL 660 FNL, SEC 40 BLK 40 T1N, T&P/ML QUINN SUR., A-1139 12500', 10 NW MIDLAND API# 42-329-39482

HIGH SKY PARTNERS LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1206 COWDEN, 1795 FSL 467 FEL, SEC 12 BLK X, HP HILLIARD SUR., A-684 12000', 5 N MIDLAND API# 42-329-39448

OXY USA WTP LP, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3323H TXL, 200 FSL 1198 FWL, SEC 28 BLK 41 T3S, T&P SUR. 12500', 20 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-39491

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, PARSLEY (ATOKA) (O) DRILL Well# 1 KYNADEE 14, 467 FNL 1120 FEL, SEC 14 BLK 39 T4S, T&P/ J YOUNGBLOOD SUR., A-1416 12000', 19 NW MIDLAND API# 42-329-39513

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 1 ESTES, 1339 FNL 1265 FWL, FO ALLEN SUR., A-609 9475', 7 SE MIDLAND API# 42-329-30975

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, MIDKIFF (ATOKA LIME) (O) DRILL Well# 3 MINDY LYNN 38, 467 FSL 1083 FWL, SEC 38 BLK 39 T3S, T&P/ WL HOLMSLEY SUR., A-1319 11800', 16 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-39512

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 BROOKS C, 1980 FWL 2015 FNL, SEC 3 BLK 38 T2S, T&P SUR., A-155 11640', 6 E MIDLAND API# 42-329-39474

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3216H SHACKELFORD, 862 FEL 255 FSL, SEC 32 BLK 37 T3S, T&P/C ROE SUR., A-979 10000', 17 SE MIDLAND API# 42-329-39489

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3217H SHACKELFORD, 817 FEL 255 FSL, SEC 32 BLK 37 T3S, T&P/C ROE SUR., A-979 10000', 17 SE MIDLAND API# 42-329-39487

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3202H SHACKELFORD, 812 FWL 230 FSL, SEC 32 BLK 37 T3S, T&P/C ROE SUR., A-979 10000', 17 SE MIDLAND API# 42-329-39486

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3201H SHACKELFORD, 813 FWL 275 FSL, SEC 32 BLK 37 T3S, T&P/C ROE SUR., A-979 10000', 17 SE MIDLAND API# 42-329-39485

RSP PERMIAN, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3813LS SARAH ANN, 190 FSL 2290 FEL, SEC 38 BLK 41 T1S, T&P/ SR MCKINNEY SUR., A-1045 12000', 12 W MIDLAND API# 42-329-39447

RUGER PROPERTIES, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (INJ) Well# 1 PEGGY SWD, 2126 FNL 660 FEL, SEC 26 BLK 37 T3S, T&P/ C HEARRELL SUR., A-933 5400', 18 SE MIDLAND API# 42-329-39529

XTO ENERGY INC., SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3RH FRANK MIDKIFF 35, 270 FSL 1857 FEL, SEC 35 BLK 38 T4S, T&P SUR., A-115 9700', 24 SE MIDLAND API# 42-329-39544

Pecos County

APACHE CORPORATION, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H COYOTE 4601, 350 FNL 600 FEL, SEC 46 BLK 50 T9S, T&P/OE HANUM SUR., A-5806 10500', 21 E SARAGOSA API# 42-371-39220

Reeves County

ANADARKO E&P ONSHORE LLC, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H CODY 56-3-9, 650 FEL 330 FSL, SEC 9 BLK 56 T3S, T&P SUR., A-881 14000', 8 SE ORLA API# 42-389-34346

ANADARKO E&P ONSHORE LLC, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H WINGHEAD 57-2-13, 550 FEL 310 FNL, SEC 13 BLK 57 T2, T&P SUR., A-624 13000', 2 NW ORLA API# 42-389-34369

APACHE CORPORATION, TWO GEORGES (B.S.) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 902HL WAHA, 667 FNL 20 FWL, SEC 8 BLK C5, PSL/ZT WILCOX SUR., A-1358 10795', 20 SE PECOS API# 42-389-34377

APACHE CORPORATION, TWO GEORGES (B.S.) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 903HM WAHA, 617 FNL 220 FWL, SEC 8 BLK C5, PSL/ZT WILCOX SUR., A-1358 9813', 20 SE PECOS API# 42-389-34378

APACHE CORPORATION, TWO GEORGES (B.S.) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1002HL WAHA, 800 FNL 406 FWL, SEC 9 BLK C5, PSL/JT MCILVAIN SUR., A-4821 11778', 20 SE PECOS API# 42-389-34379

APACHE CORPORATION, TWO GEORGES (B.S.) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1003HM WAHA, 602 FNL 243 FWL, SEC 9 BLK C5, PSL/TJ MCILVAIN SUR., A-4821 9833', 20 SE PECOS API# 42-389-34380

APACHE CORPORATION, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H STANBERRY 48, 200 FNL 500 FEL, SEC 48 BLK 51 T7S, T&P/ AO STANBERRY SUR., A-2746 10500', 17 SE PECOS API# 42-389-34375

ATLANTIC EXPL., LLC, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL(HORZ) Well# 3H SIEBER TRUST, 150 FSL 500 FWL, SEC 5 BLK 6, H&GN SUR., A-42 11200', 5 E PECOS API# 42-389-34354

BHP BILLITON PET (TXLA OP) CO., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H BROWN STATE 56-T2-44, 258 FNL 940 FWL, SEC 2 BLK 56 T3, T&P/OM HENDERSON SUR., A-2219 14000', 3 SE ORLA API# 42-389-34359

COG OPERATING, LLC, HOEFS T-K (WLFCMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 8503RH RED WILLOW, 2299 FWL 270 FNL, SEC 176 BLK 1, H&TC/ EF ROSENBAUM SUR., A-4919 12000', 25 SW PECOS API# 42-389-34392

COG OPERATING, LLC, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1812H TYCOON, 288 FNL 2293 FWL, SEC 18 BLK C7, PSL/B RANDALS SUR., A-4881 20000', 6 SE PECOS API# 42-389-34345

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO., W FORD (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H OATMAN STATE UNIT 11-14, 2622 FSL 500 FWL, SEC 11 BLK 53, PSL/ MRS S ALSTON SUR., A-4336 11100', 34 NW PECOS API# 42-389-34296

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORP., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H JUPITER 2-36, 467 FSEL 10 FSWL, SEC 36 BLK 2, H&GN/ MRS WD BATES SUR., A-3955 11500', 20 NW PECOS API# 42-389-34368

PANTHER EXPL., LLC, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H WILE E COYOTE STATE 40, 350 FNEL 1964 FWL, SEC 14 BLK C20, PSL/ LW ANDERSON SUR., A-4345 16300', 25 NW PECOS API# 42-389-34360

PATRIOT RES., INC., WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H CARIBOU 10, 500 FNL 500 FEL, SEC 11 BLK C6, PSL/JFL JESTER SUR., A-1712 13000', 14 SE PECOS API# 42-389-34355

RED WILLOW PROD., LLC., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H COPPERHEAD 23, 1320 FSL 3940 FEL, SEC 23 BLK C9, PSL/Y BELL SUR., A-5420 10700', 10 SW PECOS API# 42-389-34383

ROSETTA RES. OPER. LP, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL(HORZ) Well# 5H ANNIE OAKLEY 23, 467 FWL 255 FSL, SEC 23 BLK 5, H&GN SUR., A-432 13000', 4 SE PECOS API# 42-389-34353

ROSETTA RES. OPER. LP, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 8H BLACK JACK 16, 230 FSL 467 FEL, SEC 16 BLK C7, PSL/ MRS RM LYONS SUR., A-5073 11500', 8 SE PECOS API# 42-389-34367

Sterling County

HUNT OIL COMPANY, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 10 DL GLASS, 700 FWL 700 FSL, SEC 46 BLK 32 T5S, T&P/ JW KINSEY SUR., A-1253 8500', 19 SW STERLING CITY API# 42-431-33060

Ward County

ATLANTIC EXPL., LLC, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H BENNETT, 200 FNEL 210 FNWL, SEC 44 BLK 33, H&TC/CE PIERCE SUR., A-464 11200', 1 E PECOS API# 42-475-36766

ATLANTIC EXPL., LLC, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3H JIM ED, 220 FNEL 1980 FNWL, SEC 7, GG HOUSTON/ HJ WADE SUR., A-793 11200', 9 SW PYOTE API# 42-475-36767

SUNDOWN ENERGY LP, WAGON WHEEL (PENN) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3062 HUTCHINGS STOCK ASSN, 2000 FWL 1952 FSL, SEC 6 BLK O, G&MMB&A SUR., A-124 11000', 1 SE WICKETT API# 42-475-36786

Winkler County

BOYD & MCWILLIAMS OPER., LLC, MARTIN (CONS) (O/G) DRILL (EXTEST) Well# 2 CAMPBELL, 550 FNL 550 FEL, EC 29 BLK B3, PSL/S CAMPBELL SUR., A-1362 7900', 2 E KERMIT API# 42-495-33576

ELAND ENERGY, INC., FA HOGG (PENN DETRITAL) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H SEALY SMITH 71, 467 FSL 500 FEL, SEC 71 BLK A, G&MMB&A SUR., A-56 13500', 11 E WINK API# 42-495-33572

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DEVELOPMENTAL WELLS

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HIGH ROLLER WELLS, LLC, KERMIT DRILL (INJ) Well# 1 KERMIT SWD, 1094 FSL 2553 FEL, SEC 36 BLK 26, PSL/JC LOVETT SUR., A-1925 5600', 1 SW KERMIT API# 42-495-33573

IMPETRO OPERATING, LLC, CRITTENDON (BRUSHY) (O) (HORZ) (REC) (CNYN) Well# 3H WOLFE UNIT, 1023 FNL 999 FEL, SEC 24 BLK C23, PSL/CC COWDEN SUR., A-1393 16470', 14 NW KERMIT API# 42-495-32155

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Crosby County

CUSTER & WRIGHT OPER., INC., HOOPLE (CLEAR FORK) (O) DRILL Well# 28 WHEELER ESTATE, 2624 FSL 1980 FWL, SEC 1036, CCSD&RGNG/ JP PUGH SUR., A-1340 5000', 11 NE SLATON API# 42-107-31856

Gaines County

CITATION OIL & GAS CORP., N ROBERTSON (CLRFRK) (O) DRILL Well# 19 EXXON FEE EUBANKS D, 2060 FNL 2656 FWL, SEC 8 BLK AX, PSL/CH EUBANK SUR., A-1050 7600', 11 SW SEMINOLE API# 42-165-38113

SHA-JAM OPERATING CORP., ADAIR (O) DRILL Well# 4 VICKI, 1667 FEL 2098 FNL, SEC 4 BLK G, C&M/E BELCHER SUR., A-913 5000', 8 E LOOP API# 42-165-38147

SHA-JAM OPERATING CORP., ADAIR (O) DRILL Well# 3 VICKI, 1787 FEL 780 FSL, SEC 4 BLK G, C&M/E BELCHER SUR., A-913 5000', 8 E LOOP API# 42-165-38146

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, SE TEX-MEX (WICH ALB) DRILL (INJ) Well# 2 AABERG SWD, 1828 FNL 2078 FEL, SEC 14 BLK A12, PSL/ AJ KUYKENDALL & CH HAMBLEN SUR., A-1476 9000', 26 SW SEMINOLE API# 42-165-38145

XTO ENERGY INC., RUSSELL (CLEARFORK) (O) DRILL Well# 558 RUSSELL CLEARFORK UNIT, 160 FNL 718 FWL, SEC 458 BLK G, CCSD&RGNG/ BJ COCHRAIN SUR., A-925 8100', 8 SW DENVER CITY API# 42-165-38143

Garza County

CHOLLA PETR., INC., ARLENE (GLORIETA) (O) DRILL Well# 5 GILES, 144 FEL 1444 FNL, SEC 86 BLK 5, GH&H/S CHAPMAN SUR., A-856 3499', 9 E POST API# 42-169-34179

CHOLLA PETR., INC., ARLENE (GLORIETA) (O) DRILL Well# 6 GILES, 468 FNL 2257 FWL, SEC 96 BLK 5, GH&H SUR., A-876 3499', 9 E POST API# 42-169-34180

Hockley County

S.K. ROGERS OIL, INC., LINKER (CLEAR FORK) (O) DRILL Well# 6 MEARS, 960 FEL 724 FNL, LAB 25 LGE 27 LAMAR CSL SUR., A-14 8600', WITHIN LEVELLAND API# 42-219-37338

Kent County

SOJOURNER DRILLING CORP., LONG-HALL (TANNEHILL) (O) DRILL Well# 1 DOYLENE A, 505 FSL 2150 FEL, SEC 87 BLK 1, H&GN SUR., A-49 5000', 1 SE GIRARD API# 42-263-32094

King County

HUNT OIL COMPANY, ANNE TANDY (STRAWN) DRILL (INJ) Well# N 83R SB BURNETT ESTATE, 1994 FSWL 2316 FSEL, SEC 9 BLK X, RM THOMSON SUR., A-647 6600', 17 SE GUTHRIE API# 42-269-32926

Lubbock County

TEXON OIL CO., INC., SE SMYER (CLR FRK) (O) DRILL Well# 1 ARMADILLO, 1978 FWL 467 FSL, SEC 48 BLK P, ACH&B/WR NORFLEET SUR., A-843 5900', 12 W LUBBOCK API# 42-303-31590

Yoakum County

OXY USA WTP LP, WASSON (O/G) DRILL Well# 17C WILLARD UNIT, 2388 FNL 1729 FWL, SEC 800 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ ET HALL SUR., A-1681 5800', 3 N DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36442

OXY USA WTP LP, WASSON (O/G) DRILL Well# 45B WILLARD UNIT, 235 FNL 1020 FWL, SEC 800 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ ET HALL SUR., A-1681 5800', 4 N DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36441

OXY USA WTP LP, WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 18B WILLARD UNIT, 2456 FNL 2423 FWL, SEC 800 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ ET HALL SUR., A-1681 5800', 3 N DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36443

PACESETTER ENERGY, LLC, PLATANG (SAN ANDRES) DRILL (INJ) Well# 2W CLEVELAND A, 175 FNL 700 FEL, SEC 643 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ G CLEVELAND SUR., A-510 12000', 9 SW PLAINS API# 42-501-36439

New Mexico

Chaves County

Legacy Reserves Operating LP
Rock Queen Unit #89
Caprock-Re-entry
Celero Energy, PA, Old TD 3077; Sec 36 T13S R31E; 1980/S & 660/E; 17 mi SW Caprock; Rot 3090 Queen; API #30-005-00943

Eddy County

SM Energy Co.
Shugart Delaware Unit #34
E Shugart; Sec 24 T18S R31E; 1500/N & 2020/E; 9 mi SW Maljamar; Rot 5500 Delaware; API #30-015-41615

Unit Petroleum Co.
Pan Canadian #5
N Seven Rivers; Sec 27 T19S R25E; 230/S & 330/E; 6 mi W Lakewood; Rot 6928 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42621

Unit Petroleum Corp.
Pan Canadian #6
N Seven Rivers; Sec 34 T19S R25E; 1650/N & 330/E; 6 mi SW Lakewood; Rot 6700 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42622

Chi Operating Inc.
Peacekeeper St Com 25 #5
Turkey Track; Sec 25 T19S R29E; 200/S & 1800/E; 13 mi SW Loco Hills; Rot 12477 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42612

Chi Operating Inc.
Peacekeeper St Com 25 #6
Turkey Track; Sec 25 T19S R29E; 100/S & 400/E; 13 mi SW Loco Hills; Rot 12830 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42613

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Arcturus 18 Fed #7
NW Hackberry; Sec 17 T19S R31E; 2080/S & 20/W; 11 mi NW Halfway; Rot 12589 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42618

Caza Operating LLC
Forehand 22 St #5
Cass Draw; Sec 22 T23S R27E; 782/S & 527/E; 4 mi W Loving; Rot 4000 Delaware; API #30-015-42517

Oxy USA Inc.
Cypress 33 Fed Com #7
E Lusk; Sec 33 T23S R29E; 150/N & 1900/E; 5 mi NE Malaga; Rot 13238 Delaware; API #30-015-42616

Lea County

Apache Corp.
Warn State Ac 2 #30
Vacuum Abo Reef; Sec 6 T18S R35E; 1675/N & 1965/W; 1 1/2 mi S Buckeye; Rot 9300 Abo; API #30-025-42075

COG Operating LLC
Albatross St Com #3
Airstrip; Sec 30 T18S R35E; 460/N & 2160/W; 6 mi S Buckeye; Rot 14631 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42073

COG Operating LLC
Albatross St Com #4
Airstrip; Sec 30 T18S R35E; 190/N & 330/W; 6 mi S Buckeye; Rot 14907 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42074

Read & Stevens Inc.
N Lea 3 Fed Com #1
S Quail Ridge; Sec 3 T20S R34E; 200/N & 350/E; 12 mi NE Halfway; Rot 15358 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42080

GMT Exploration Co. LLC
Apple Gap 36 St Com #2
S Ojo Chiso; Sec 36 T22S R34E; 99/N & 1670/W; 10 mi NE Ochoa; Rot 15574 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-42083

Cimarex Energy Co.
Triste Draw 25 Fed #7
Triste Draw; Sec 25 T23S R32E; 370/S & 1310/E; 12 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 14322 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42081

Cimarex Energy Co.
Triste Draw 25 Fed Com #10
Triste Draw; Sec 25 T23S R32E; 330/S & 1270/W; 12 mi NE Ochoa; Rot 14762 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42082

Cimarex Energy Co.
James State #41
S Sand Dunes; Sec 32 T23S R32E; 130/N & 2310/E; 16 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 14005 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42077

Cimarex Energy Co.
James State #42
S Sand Dunes; Sec 32 T23S R32E; 330/N & 1650/E; 16 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 13822 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42078

Cimarex Energy Co.
James State #43
S Sand Dunes; Sec 32 T23S R32E; 330/N & 330/E; 16 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 13820 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42079

Murchison Oil & Gas Inc.
Jackson Unit 33
W Triple X; Sec 16 T24S R33E; 90/N & 1508/E; 8 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 14720 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42076

EOG Resources Inc.
Hearns 27 St Com #501
E Triste Draw; Sec 27 T24S R33E; 210/S & 570/W; 7 mi W Ochoa; Rot 16267 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42085

EOG Resources Inc.
Hearns 27 St Com #502
E Triste Draw; Sec 27 T24S R33E; 210/S & 600/W; 7 mi W Ochoa; Rot 16262 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42086

EOG Resources Inc.
Hearns 27 St Com #504
E Triste Draw; Sec 27 T24S R33E; 210/S & 1350/W; 7 mi W Ochoa; Rot 16264 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42087

Roosevelt County

Soverign Eagle LLS
Stoltenberg #1
Tule-Re-entry Eagle Resources, PA, Old TD 3117; Sec 26 T2S R29W; 1650/N & 2310/W; 16 mi NW Elida; Rot 7290 Montoya; API #30-041-20809