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Meeting with city officials ends with no result

Senior Center plans to hold future meetings to resolve issues

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The temperature and tension increased as the meeting wore on between Community and Senior Services board and management, city officials and current and former Midland Senior Center customers.

The meeting was meant for the city — which gives CSS $300,000 annually — to hear both sides of the disagreement between Senior Center management and customers and to have an opportunity to find solutions. What happened instead, was that those in attendance realized more meetings are needed.

At large Councilman Jerry Morales, who served as a moderator for the meeting, ended it by saying this is a starting point.

"We've got to begin working on healing these issues," he said.

As previously reported, former and current members of the Senior Center have sent letters to the Reporter-Telegram regarding the center's management. They specifically called out center Executive Director Linda Jackson and CSS Executive Director Jody Sneed for issues such as abolishing the member advisory board.

In a balancing act as a senior citizen and councilman, Michael Trost, who represents District 4, listed more grievances he has heard from other seniors such as membership bans. He said he wanted to hear explanations and called for the reinstatement of the banned members and Friday night dances. After the meeting, Trost said he does not like the center's management style, adding that it's not the council's decision to make if CSS should continue to manage.

"It comes to the point where when (complaints get) into the council members' mailbox, I have to pay attention," Trost said. "I can't ignore that. I hear, investigate and pay attention to what's going on."

During the meeting, seniors again explained their grievances to the CSS board and city officials, while Sneed and Jackson explained their sides of the story. Seniors could be heard objecting to

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Rock the Desert

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Rock the Desert "Awake My Soul" will kick off today at the festival grounds, 2000 S. Farm-to-Market Road 1788.
Today's lineup includes Wolves at the Gate, Aaron Gillespie, Sleeping Giant, Disciple, Da'Truth, For Today, Craig King and Flyleaf.
Tickets are $30 at the gate and allow access for the entire festival. Purchase tickets at Chick-fil-A, Mardel and 7-Eleven stores.
See more Rock the Desert coverage in Pulse inside today's Reporter-Telegram.
See a map of the site on Page 4A.

House committee votes to block regulation of fracturing

By Jennifer A. Dlouhy
Hearst Newspapers

WASHINGTON — The House Natural Resources Committee on Wednesday approved legislation that would effectively block the federal government from regulating the hydraulic fracturing process that is unlocking previously unrecoverable supplies of gas and oil.

On a mostly party-line vote of 23-15, the panel sent the measure to the full House of Representatives, which is expected to debate the legislation later this year. Rep. Jim Costa, D-Calif., bucked Democratic colleagues in supporting the bill; Rep. Jon Runyan, R-N.J., broke with Republicans to vote against it.

The measure would limit the reach of the Interior Department and other federal agencies just as the Bureau of Land Management finalizes new mandates for the design of oil and gas wells on public lands.

The proposed rule — which would apply only on the sliver of territory managed by the Interior Department — also would force companies to disclose the chemicals they pump underground and would make drillers adopt plans for managing waters at wells.

Although the proposal would allow exemptions in states with equivalent or better oversight, Republican lawmakers said it still would translate to an unnecessary new layer of federal regulation.

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Midland College: 'No one ever heard talks like this' from former coach

From staff reports

Midland College officials said Chris Craig, the former head men's basketball coach who is claiming to be an "Islamist jihadist" in Colorado, never did so during his two years at MC.

"No one ever heard talks like this," said Rebecca Bell, MC's dean of community relations and special events.

Police in Fort Collins, Colo., on Tuesday alerted religious organizations to a self-described "Islamist jihadist" who said Mormons and Catholics "would be destroyed" in the next two weeks, according to the Coloradoan newspaper. They said there's no immediate public danger.

The Coloradoan reported that the former Midland College men's basketball coach was accused of entering a classroom at Eastern Arizona College on July 10, raising a Bible in the air and responding with obscenities after asking the instructor whether he was Mormon. College spokesman Todd Haynie said a female counselor had a similar encounter.

The Greeley Tribune reports University of Northern Colorado spokesman Nate Haas said Craig is a former assistant men's basketball coach for the school.

Craig left the University of Northern Colorado in 2011 to become the head men's basketball coach at Midland College. Craig spent two seasons with the Chaparrals, compiling an overall record of 37-18 during that time. The Chaps finished 19-8 last season and failed to qualify for the NJCAA Region V Tournament for a second consecutive year.

Craig resigned in an email to MC athletics director Forrest Allen on March 21. The announcement capped off a day in which it appears Craig wrote about end-of-the-world prophecies and other conspiracy theories on his Twitter account and in a personal blog, which contained 31 handwritten pages, all dated March 20.

"Since that time we have not had any contact with him. We found out about the events in Colorado and Arizona at the same time everybody else did," Bell said.

Haynie said police arrested him, but prosecutors didn't pursue charges.

Craig recently was spotted in Steamboat Springs and leaving Rocky Mountain National Park.

"Midland College hopes that wherever he is, he gets some help," Bell said.

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CLEVELAND

Man pleads not guilty to killing 3 Ohio women

A man pleaded not guilty Wednesday to kidnapping and killing three women whose bodies were found wrapped in trash bags earlier this month.

Michael Madison, 35, appeared via a video feed from jail for his arraignment, for which he was handcuffed and wearing orange jail scrubs. When the judge asked him how he was, Madison answered, "I've been better."

The judge continued his $6 million bond and said she would appoint two attorneys to represent him. A pretrial hearing was set for Tuesday morning.

Madison is facing six charges of aggravated murder, two for each victim under different killing theories. He's also charged with three counts of kidnapping, three counts of gross abuse of a corpse, one count of rape and one count of weapon possession by an ex-convict.

East Cleveland police found one body July 19 when a caller reported a foul smell coming from a garage. Two more bodies were found the next day.

Madison was arrested in the deaths of Shirellda H. Terry, 18, Angela H. Deskins, 38, and Shetisha D. Sheeley, 28. The medical examiner said Terry and Deskins were strangled and Sheeley died of "homicidal violence by unspecified means."

The indictment said Madison raped Terry between July 10 and July 19. She was last seen July 10 leaving a Cleveland elementary school where she had a summer job.

Madison was classified as a sex offender in 2002, when he was sentenced to four years in prison for attempted rape, according to Cuyahoga County court records. He had previous convictions in 2000 and 2001 for drug-related charges.

The mayor of East Cleveland said Madison indicated he might have been influenced by Cleveland serial killer Anthony Sowell, who was convicted in 2011 of killing 11 women and sentenced to death. His case is under appeal.

Sowell was arrested after a woman escaped from his house in 2009 and said she had been raped there. Police found the mostly nude bodies in garbage bags and plastic sheets throughout his property.

In another case of violence against women in the Cleveland area, three women who separately vanished a decade ago escaped to freedom from Ariel Castro's house on May 6 when one kicked out part of a door and yelled to neighbors for help.

Castro, 53, who was arrested within hours, pleaded guilty Friday to 937 counts in a deal which sends him to prison for life without parole, plus 1,000 years. Prosecutors agreed to take a possible death penalty charge off the table. He is scheduled for sentencing today.

NEW YORK

Facebook passes $38 initial public offering price

Facebook has found redemption in the form of a soaring stock price.

On Wednesday, the share price of the world's most populous social network — and human data repository— briefly crept past $38 for the first time since its rocky public debut last May. In doing so, Facebook cleared a symbolic hurdle that has eluded the company for more than a year.

Facebook's ill-fated first trading day on May 18, 2012 was marred by technological glitches on the Nasdaq stock market. The stock closed with a disappointing 23-cent gain. And its performance didn't improve, hitting a low of $17.55 last September.

"I think Facebook in general and Zuckerberg in particular felt that they let everybody down," said Wedbush analyst Michael Pachter of Facebook Inc.'s 29-year-old founder and CEO, Mark Zuckerberg. "And by everybody I mean all their employees who had stock, all their early private investors who had stock."

On Wednesday, the stock traded as high as $38.31 before closing at $36.80, a price that places the company's value at around $89 billion.

When Facebook's stock was trading around $24 in June, Zuckerberg said at the company's first shareholder meeting, "we understand that a lot of people are disappointed in the performance of the stock and we really are too." He also said that the company takes its responsibility to shareholders "very seriously." But he also stressed that Facebook has always focused on building its long-term value — its user base, its advertising business, the apps that connect to it, its online network. In other words, build it and the value will come.

At the moment, investors agree. Facebook has been on a roll since reporting stronger-than-expected earnings last week. The company posted the largest revenue gain it has seen since late 2011, when it was still a private company. Its stock price is up 39 percent since it reported quarterly results on July 24. In comparison, the Standard & Poor's 500 index has gained less than 1 percent in that time.

Investors are especially upbeat about Facebook's fast-growing mobile advertising revenue, which went from zero at the start of 2012 to $656 million, or 41 percent of total ad revenue, in the April-June quarter this year.

WASHINGTON

Senate in prolonged vote over Obama ATF pick

It has taken a dramatic switched vote by one senator, a lengthy flight back from North Dakota by another and a drawn-out roll call, but Democrats moved Wednesday toward clearing the way for one of President Barack Obama's nominees to win Senate confirmation.

Despite optimism that they had the votes to prevail, Democrats struggled to end Republican delaying tactics aimed at derailing Obama's pick of B. Todd Jones to lead the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

Democrats initially seemed about to lose their effort to end those delays in a showdown vote that started at 2 p.m. A defeat would have been a setback for Obama, who is trying to plug gaps in his second-term administration's lineup, and dealt a blow to the recent cooperation between the two parties over allowing votes on the president's nominees.

In a prolonged spectacle played out largely in full view on the Senate floor, Democratic senators swarmed around Sen. Lisa Murkowski, R-Alaska, after she at first voted to support GOP delaying tactics.

As the Senate Judiciary Committee chairman, Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., and other Democrats tried persuading her to switch her vote, the scrum around Murkowski was quickly enlarged when Republican senators joined the group, urging her not to change.

More than a dozen lawmakers spent nearly an hour imploring Murkowski, first on the Senate floor and then in a private cloakroom. After about 20 minutes of talks in the cloakroom, Murkowski emerged and switched her vote.

"We're going to figure out a way to move forward," she told reporters after the vote.

She later said in a written statement that she switched her vote after learning that Jones no longer was under investigation, as opponents had said he was, for his performance as U.S. attorney for Minnesota.

She said she would oppose Jones when the Senate votes on final confirmation of his nomination later Wednesday. His confirmation will require only a simple majority and he was considered certain to be approved.

Associated Press

Groups of passengers wait at a United Airlines gate to board a flight in separate numbered lanes at O'Hare International Airport in Chicago on May 8. For airlines, every minute that a plane sits at the gate makes it more likely that the flight will be late, hurting the carrier's on-time rating and causing passengers to miss connecting flights. But the perfect boarding process remains elusive. Even an astrophysicist couldn't figure it out.

The airlines' endless quest for better boarding

Associated Press

DALLAS — Getting people on and off an airplane quickly is so complicated that even an astrophysicist couldn't figure it out.

Jason Steffen, a research fellow at Northwestern University, normally contemplates things such as axion-like particles. But after waiting in one boarding line too many, he turned to the mysteries of airline seating.

"I thought there had to be a better way," he says.

So, after a series of calculations, he deduced that the best system would be a combination of filling all the window seats first, then all the middle ones and then the aisle ones, while also having the passengers board every other row.

There was just one problem — passengers would have to board in precise order. Good luck with that. These are the same passengers who don't turn off their phones even after they're told it's a federal law.

"Well," Steffen observes, "I understand why airline people aren't calling me."

But the search for the perfect boarding process goes on.

Most airlines allow first-class and other elite customers to board first. After that, some fill the rear rows first and work toward the front.

Others fill window seats and work in toward the aisle. Some used to employ a hybrid called the reverse-pyramid. Southwest Airlines has random seating: There are no assigned seats — passengers sort things out themselves. They can pay extra to be near the front of the boarding line.

All of this matters more than you might think.

Passengers want to board early to find space in the overhead bins for their rolling carry-on bags. For airlines, every minute that a plane sits at the gate makes it more likely that the flight will be late, hurting the carrier's on-time rating and causing passengers to miss connecting flights.

There's an economic cost to running late, too. Researchers from Northern Illinois University say that at one major airline, which they didn't identify, every extra minute at the gate added $30 in costs.

American Airlines, which uses a back-to-front system for boarding coach passengers after it takes care of elite customers, says that it takes about 25 minutes to board passengers on a smaller, narrow-body plane such as a Boeing 737 and about 35 minutes on a bigger plane such as a Boeing 777.

In recent weeks, United and American — the nation's biggest and third-biggest carriers — have rolled out new strategies for faster boarding.

■ American is letting passengers board sooner if they don't put anything in the overhead bins. The idea is to get more people seated quickly before passengers with rolling bags clog the aisle.

■ United reduced the number of boarding groups from seven to five while adding lanes in gate areas — from two to five at big airports. That's designed to eliminate "gate lice" — the name road warriors use for those anxious passengers with big carry-ons who cause a traffic jam by creeping forward long before their group is called.

American and United tested their new procedures in a handful of airports before rolling them out across the country in time for the peak summer travel season. United CEO Jeff Smisek says his airline's new method has helped cut departure delays related to boarding by more than 60 percent.

Boarding methods go back to the dawn of commercial flight, but they've gotten more complicated as the airlines have created different classes of passengers and sold the right to board early.

Since 2008, most large airlines have imposed fees for checking a bag, which encourages passengers to carry more on board. At the same time, airlines have reduced flights to control costs, making planes more crowded. The result: Space in the overhead bins has never been more valuable.

Recognizing the potential value in that coveted real estate, Spirit Airlines began charging for stowing a bag in the overhead three years ago — the fee now runs up to $100.

Spirit says the fee speeds up boarding by cutting down the number of carry-on bags. The big airlines haven't copied Spirit for fear of angering customers. They've looked for other ways to improve boarding.

In May, American began offering early boarding to passengers with just a personal item that fits under the seat. In a test at several airports, it cut boarding by two minutes per flight, according to Kevin Doeksen, the airline's director of customer planning. With about 1,900 flights per day on American, that adds up.

What's to stop a passenger from moving up in line by promising to put a personal item under the seat, then stuffing it in the overhead bin anyway?

"It would be a lie to say that never happens," says Tessa Letren, an American gate agent at Baltimore-Washington International Airport. "We can't always police that."

Still, Letren supports the new policy, which she says cuts the amount of time that planes spend on the ground between flights.

Before the 2010 merger of United and Continental airlines, United used the inside-out method of boarding while Continental used the back-to-front method, loading passengers a few rows at a time starting at the rear of the plane. After much testing, the combined airline kept the United approach. Earlier this year, United set up additional boarding lines in the terminals to attack congestion in the gate area.

The back-to-front system, still used by many airlines, seems logical. But some studies have shown that it's slower than windows-middle-aisle.

"If you're on the aisle and somebody sitting next to you in the middle seat shows up, you need to unbuckle and maybe get up," says Ken Bostock, United's managing director of customer experience. "That can take 20, 25 seconds, and that happens a lot during the boarding process."

Lou Agudo, a United gate agent who worked at Continental before the merger, says boarding by groups of rows practically invited confusion. Just when he thought everyone in Group 2 had gone through, and he called Group 3 to start, "Twenty people would walk up and say they didn't hear the announcement." Some had missed the call for their group, while others decided to get in line no matter what, he says. The extra lanes have made his job easier.

Anything to tidy up the gate area will help, in the view of Yosief Ghirmai, an auditor for defense contractor Raytheon Co. in Frisco, Texas, who says foreign airlines make boarding much easier for elite-level frequent fliers like himself.

"The international airlines respect the priority boarding system," Ghirmai says, citing Hong Kong's Cathay Pacific as an example. "Here, you have to fight to get to the priority boarding line — all the bags, all the kids. The concept (in the U.S.) is the same, but the execution is much better over there."

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Karen Warner views a display on the Ploesti Raid in World War II that shows a shirt worn by her father, Lt. Col. Jack Warner, while touring the United States Air Force Museum, Wednesday, in Dayton, Ohio. The planes flew a dangerous low altitude raid on Aug. 1, 1943, targeting heavily defended oil fields in occupied Romania. Survivors of the raid are having a 70th reunion Thursday in Dayton.

Raiders of 'Hitler's gas station' reunite in Ohio

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — All these years later, some surviving veterans still think the raid on "Hitler's gas station" was a great plan. However, not all worked out as expected, and the result was a fierce World War II battle marked by bravery and sacrifice.

The 70th anniversary Ploesti Raid reunion this week at the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force commemorates an Aug. 1, 1943, assault by waves of B-24 bombers on oil refineries in Romania that provided much of the fuel for the Nazi war machine. Five Medals of Honor were among the many awards given for what U.S. military historians call the most decorated action of the war.

U.S. commanders "emphasized the importance of completing the mission; in their estimate, it would shorten the war in Europe by six months," Dale Hulsey, 91, of Fort Worth, recalled Wednesday, after reunion participants viewed a restored B-24 at the museum near Dayton.

"They tried to knock the thing out in one mission, but everything went wrong," said Bob Rans, a Chicago native who lives near Tampa at age 92, with vivid memories of being bathed in gasoline as a wall of flame roared toward him.

The raid inflicted heavy but not devastating damage, and nearly a third of the 177 planes and their 1,726 men failed to make it back to their bases more than 1,000 miles away in North Africa.

The Allies had tried bombing the oil fields before from high levels; Operation Tidal Wave was to be a surprise assault by a flying armada coming in under radar and methodically knocking out assigned targets. But navigational problems disrupted plans, and defenders on the ground were ready for them.

Sweeping in just above corn stalks — "we were so close to the ground it was like driving at high speed in an automobile," Hulsey said — the bombers were met with a barrage of firepower. Hulsey, a radio operator, remembers a continuous line of bright flashes from gunfire on the ground. Rans said anti-aircraft guns mounted on rail cars provided mobile defense against the bombers.

An auxiliary fuel tank near Rans was hit, showering him with gasoline. Fire engulfing his plane, he parachuted out. He was captured, treated in a hospital for burns, then put in a prison camp. Hulsey said his plane knocked out its target and was headed home when shot down by fighter planes. The crew was found and protected by Yugoslav resistance fighters until a British rescue operation got them out nearly a year later.

Rans and Hulsey were among 11 raid veterans at the reunion, with nearly 100 family members and friends. Air Force history enthusiasts Mark Copeland of Lakeville, Minn., and Blaine Duxbury of Indianapolis helped organize it. Copeland said after a 60th anniversary reunion in Salt Lake City, there was interest in coming together again for what likely will be the last reunion. About 70 of the mission participants are still alive, he said.

Scott Stewart came from Lincoln, Neb., to pay tribute to the mission his late father, Carroll Stewart, wrote about in a 1962 book co-authored with James Dugan. Stewart said his father spent years chronicling the stories of veterans of the battle, including Germans and Romanians.

Rans said the reunion, which will include a public memorial service today, brought back memories, some tears and a sense of pride for the veterans about their place in military annals.

"When you stop to think about it, you were part of an action that nobody else could ever be in again, the most highly decorated action of the war," Rans said. "History is history."

NATIONBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

UTAH

3 sisters have 3 baby boys in July

LAYTON — July is full-fledged baby season for one Utah family.

Three sisters from Layton gave birth to three baby boys in the month of July, including two who were born about an hour apart, The Deseret News reports.

Even in baby-centric Utah, that's pretty remarkable.

The trio says they didn't plan on getting pregnant at the same time. Misti Stokes, 24, said she found out first. Her younger sister, Courtnee Hoffman, 21, later asked her if she had a pregnancy test to spare. It was positive.

The sisters told their older sister, Kristal Turner, 25, then asked if she was sad she wasn't expecting, but she said no — because she was also pregnant.

Stokes gave birth to her baby, Boston, on July 3. Hoffman had her son, Stryker, early Saturday, and Turner's baby, Mack, was born 65 minutes later in the same hospital.

At one point before the birth, Turner passed her mother in the hallways of the Circle of Life Women's Center, part of the Ogden Regional Medical Center. She was on her way to see Hoffman.

"She's like, 'What are you doing? Are you going to see Courtnee?'" Turner said. "And I'm like, 'No, I'm going to have my baby.'"

The sisters were in rooms across the hall from each other, both feeling bad they couldn't be with the other to provide support. Nurses helped by keeping each up-to-date on the other's contractions and the babies' heart rates.

"We couldn't go really into each other's room very much, but we would send pictures back and forth and text and ask how each other is doing," Hoffman told the Deseret News.

Their mother was bouncing back and forth between the rooms as each went through the stages of labor, said Dr. Darren Housel, who delivered both babies.

The fact that both babies came naturally, rather than being induced, made it even more remarkable, he said. It was something he hadn't seen before in his 20 years as a doctor.

"We are all kind of baffled that such a coincidental thing would occur," Housel said. "Over 5,000 babies, I can safely say that I've never delivered sisters on the same day. It was cool, a fun experience to be part of."

The three sisters say their bond is now stronger than ever.

"It's been fun to go through it together," Hoffman said.

The three baby cousins were together for the first time Tuesday.

"I really think that there's a reason why all three are born together," Turner said. "They are going to have a great support system for each other."

NEW JERSEY

TGI Fridays fined $500K for switching booze

TRENTON — An operator of TGI Fridays restaurants in New Jersey has agreed to pay a $500,000 fine for serving customers cheap booze when they paid for top shelf.

Acting Attorney General John Hoffman said Wednesday that the fine levied against Livingston-based Briad Group, as a result of an investigation dubbed Operation Swill, should send a message to every bar and restaurant in the state that customers should always get what they pay for.

Under terms of the settlement, Briad agreed not to contest charges that eight of its restaurants were selling customers cheap substitutes in place of premium alcohol. It also agreed to employ a state-appointed monitor through June 14 to ensure its restaurants and employees are in compliance.

As long as there are no further violations during that period, the businesses will avoid five-day suspensions of their liquor licenses, the attorney general said.

The fine includes $400,000 for the violations and $100,000 to cover investigative costs.

The Briad Group issued a statement saying it had cooperated fully in the investigation, initiated new training programs and "redoubled our efforts to ensure that all of our restaurants adhere to Fridays' extensive bar and beverage standards."

The franchisee also faces a lawsuit in state court by two women who claim Briad had instituted a uniform policy to substitute cut-rate liquor for premium brands for over at least a year, in violation of the New Jersey Consumer Fraud Act. It seeks reimbursement for all customer losses and punitive damages of three times the price of each drink.

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Fourth candidate for mayor

Kathy White has added her name to the list of candidates to become Midland's next mayor.

White, 43, has lived in Midland for 23 years, according to information from the City Secretary's office.

She joins three men already in the race, John James, Keith McLelland and Jerry Morales.

Editor's Note: The Reporter-Telegram will have a profile on White in an upcoming edition.

Things to do

■ Parents' Night Out, 6-8 p.m., Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane. Info: Indoor and outdoor activities for children ages 7-10. Call 685-7355.

■ Rock the Desert "Awake My Soul" festival grounds, 2000 S. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. Tickets are $25 in advance and $30 at the gate and allow access for the entire festival. Purchase tickets at Chick-fil-A, Mardel and 7-Eleven stores.

Fun things for Friday

■ Permian Basin Petroleum Museum Summer Science Classes, 9 a.m.-noon, 1500 Interstate 20 West. Info: This week's class is "Ready, Set, Dough" for students in third, fourth and fifth grades. Cost is $20 for members, $25 for non-members. For more information, call 683-4403.

■ Fun Fridays, 1-3 p.m., Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane. Info: Activities for children age 8 and older. Call 685-7355.

■ Family Fridays, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. Info: Planned activities every Friday during the summer. This week is "Flower Power."

Water Tracker

The following is the amount of water delivered to the city of Midland from the Colorado River Municipal Water District and the Paul Davis water fields.

Monday's total: 21,611,000 gallons (CRMWD 17,864,000, Paul Davis fields 3,747,000)

Tuesday's total: 16,988,000 gallons (CRMWD 13,266,000, Paul Davis fields 3,722,000)

July 23: 16,413,000 gallons

Current total storage by CRMWD in their lakes is 136,166 acre-feet. Total storage last year at the same time was 81,170 acre-feet.

The average delivery from the CRMWD for July is 14,818,633.

Club meetings, support groups today

■ Permian Basin Needle Arts Chapter of Embroiderer's Guild of America, 7 p.m., Barnes & Noble; Paula Millhollon, 520-3250.

■ Permian Basin Chess Club, 6 p.m., University of Texas of the Permian Basin student union; Steve Dudley, 556-1920; Brian Farrell, 288-7141; pbcc.50gigs.net; odessachess@cableone.net.

■ Children's Service League, 9:30 a.m., Midland Children's Rehabilitation Center; Brooke Mueller, 498-2053

■ Newcomers Club, 10 a.m.; Stephanie Sparkman at 684-8065 or Freida Robertson at 218-7239.

Movies in Midland

Films opening and closing this week at Midland theaters:

Opening Friday at Regal Tall City Stadium 14 : "Two Guns" and "Smurfs 2" ("Smurfs 2 opened Wednesday)

Closing: "Lone Ranger," "World War Z" and "Monsters University"

Opening at Big Sky Drive-in: "2 Guns," "RIPD" "Smurfs 2"

Closing: "Grown Ups 2" "Pacific Rim"

See the Pulse entertainment and dining guide in this issue for movie and DVD reviews.

Help with medical bills

■ An account has been established at Wells Fargo Bank for Midlander Brandon Melendez, 19, who was paralyzed last month after a shooting.

The account number is 8473349291. For more information, call Melendez's mother, Delia Rodriguez, at 894-5404.

■ Corky's Bar and Grill, 6705 Andrews Highway in Odessa, is hosting a benefit for one of its employees beginning noon Aug. 18. The grill will be serving barbecue plates for $10 to benefit Felipe "Phil" Cervera, who was injured in a motorcycle accident on July 6.

For more information, call 432-362-3232.

Lee band

Summer band will begin today for all members of the Lee band.

Registration for freshmen and new students is 8 to 11:30 a.m. at Lee. Upperclassmen should arrive at 12:30 p.m. All band members will rehearse from 1:30 to 4 p.m.

Weekday rehearsals are Friday through Aug. 16 — 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Grande Communications Stadium and 1:30 to 4 p.m. at Lee.

For more information, contact head band director Randy Storie at rstorie@midlandisd.net.

Lottery

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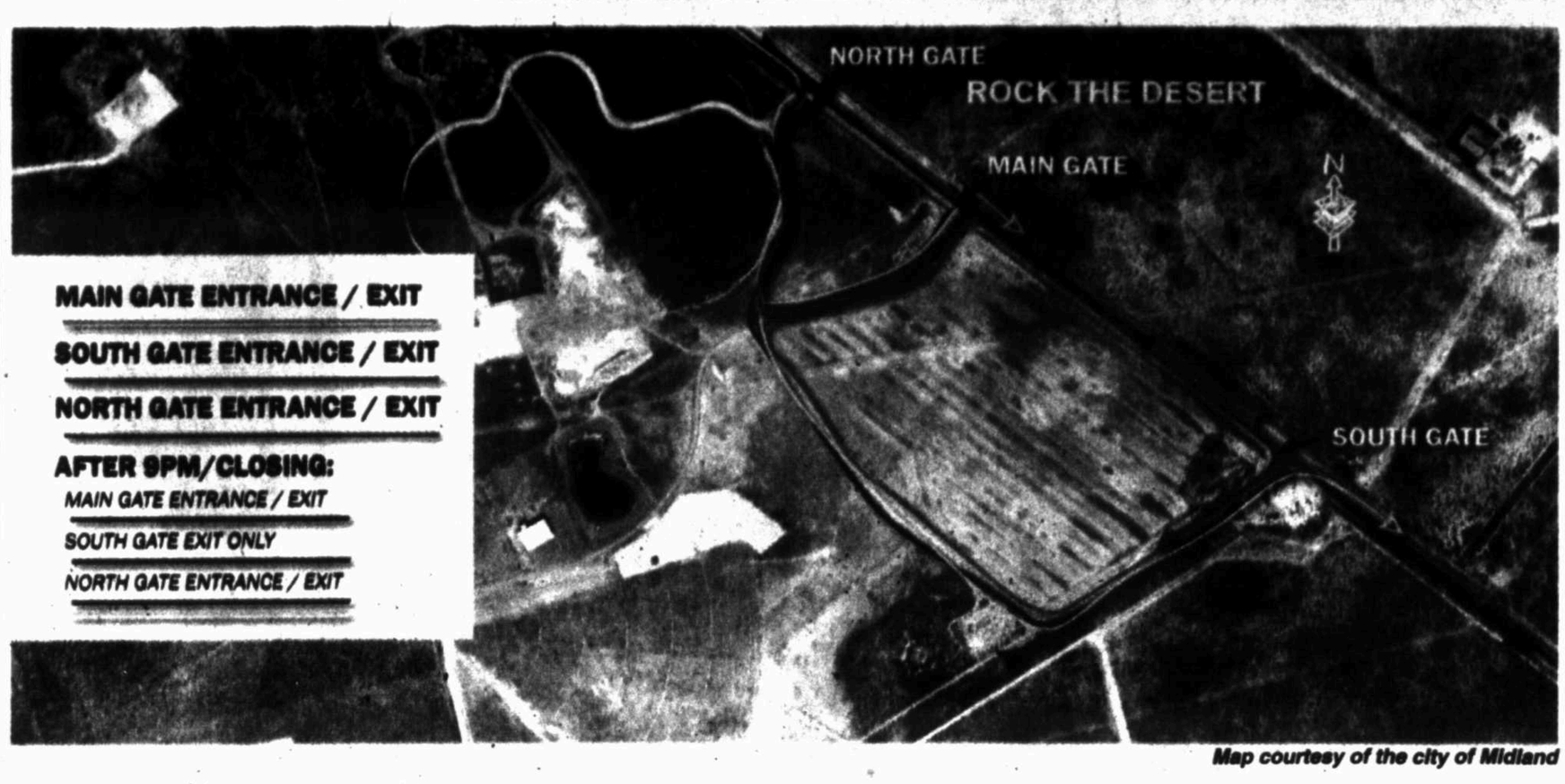

Map courtesy of the city of Midland

Map shows suggested flow of traffic for Rock the Desert

Rock the Desert concert parking guidelines

From staff reports

A map released by the city highlights suggested routes for this weekend's Rock the Desert "Awake My Soul" Christian music festival.

The concert runs today through Saturday at the RTD grounds, 2000 S. Farm-to-Market Road 1788.

The city asks drivers to follow these guidelines:

■ The north, main and south gates will be used for entering and exiting the festival. Personnel will be wearing reflective vests at these entrances at night. Three large blue signs will be placed at all three gates directing traffic into and out of the event.

■ The north gate will be used at the end of each night as an entrance only — not an exit — for southbound traffic on FM 1788. All southbound traffic headed into the event to pick up attendees can enter through the north gate and will be directed to the designated pickup area. Traffic can then exit through the main or south gate and will be directed southbound only onto FM 1788.

■ The main gate will be used from the opening of the event to its conclusion each night. All northbound traffic on FM 1788 will be directed into the event to pick up attendees and will be directed to the pickup area. Traffic will then exit through the south gate and be directed southbound onto FM 1788.

■ The south gate will be used from the opening of the event to its conclusion each night. Both northbound and southbound traffic will be allowed to use the south gate up to the time deemed necessary to prepare for the conclusion of the event each night, at which time the south gate becomes an exit only gate with exiting traffic directed southbound onto FM 1788.

For more information about the concert, see today's issue of PULSE. Find coverage and photo galleries online at mywesttexas.com and facebook.com/thereportertelegram.

NATIONBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

NEW JERSEY

Bus driver faces charges in infant's death in NJ

WEST NEW YORK — A bus driver who hit a light pole that toppled onto a stroller, killing an infant and injuring seven other people in a chain-reaction crash, had an initial court appearance postponed Wednesday on charges including using a cellphone while operating a vehicle.

Idowu Daramola, 48, is also charged with death by auto and reckless driving in Tuesday afternoon's crash, according to the Hudson County Sheriff's Office. The Thornwood, N.Y. man's hearing was pushed back to this morning.

The accident happened in West New York on a road that overlooks the Hudson River and offers a panoramic view of Manhattan. Authorities said the bus struck a lamppost, which fell onto a stroller. The bus then hit a tree, another lamppost and caromed into a parked car, which struck three other parked vehicles.

Eight-month-old Angelie Paredes was killed, and seven other people were sent to hospitals.

NEW YORK

Milton Greene slides of Marilyn Monroe, others snag $1.8M

Tens of thousands of negatives of Marilyn Monroe and other stars by celebrity photographer Milton Greene have sold at auction for $1.8 million.

The archive includes 3,700 negatives and slides of Marilyn Monroe. All the material was sold with copyright.

Profiles in History auction house says the highlights included a collection of color transparencies of the Hollywood siren with Laurence Olivier from the "The Prince and the Showgirl" movie. It sold for $42,000.

A group of transparencies of Monroe from the film "Bus Stop" fetched $39,000.

The seller is an American photography collector who purchased the archive 10 years ago. The items came from the Greene estate.

The buyers weren't identified.

Religious order files reveal decades of LA abuse

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Hundreds of pages of secret church files released Wednesday shed light on the troublesome careers of a dozen religious order priests, brothers and nuns accused of sexually abusing children while working in the nation's largest Roman Catholic archdiocese.

The files include one case of a priest who later admitted to having sexual contact with more than 100 boys while serving in several Southern California parishes for years.

The papers, which were released under the terms of a $660 million settlement agreement reached in 2007, are the first glimpse at what religious orders knew about the envoys they posted in Roman Catholic schools and parishes around the Los Angeles area. The archdiocese itself released thousands of pages under court order this year for its own priests who were accused of sexual abuse, but the full picture of sex abuse in Los Angeles remained elusive without the religious orders' records.

Several dozen more files are expected to be released by the fall.

The files cover five different religious orders that employed 10 priests or religious brothers and two nuns who were all accused in civil lawsuits of molesting children while working within the Los Angeles archdiocese. Among them, the accused had 21 alleged victims who alleged abuse between the 1950s and the 1980s.

The files include more than 500 pages on a priest named Ruben Martinez who belonged to a religious order called the U.S. Province of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, a nearly 200-year-old Catholic organization with roots in France. The Los Angeles archdiocese settled eight lawsuits over Martinez's actions in 2007, but had little documentation on him in its own files even though the priest worked in its parishes for years in the 1970s and 1980s.

For those who allege abuse by Martinez, the documents provide validation and reveal the years of effort his order spent trying to cure him of his pedophilia as it shuttled him between programs, including inpatient treatment, and paid for decades of therapy. Martinez also marched in a gay pride parade while serving as a priest and enrolled in a counseling program for people with sexual compulsions.

Some of the other files unsealed Wednesday, including those of the nuns, don't mention sexual abuse at all and others appear to have large gaps in time and missing documents. The release included files from the Oblates, the Marianists, the Benedictines and two orders for religious sisters.

One nun, Sister Mary Joseph, belonged to a small Catholic order called the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. Joseph was accused after her death and the order found nothing to substantiate the claims, said Sister Barbara Anne Stowasser, a spokeswoman for the order.

The fact that the files don't reflect the abuse reported in civil lawsuits doesn't mean it didn't happen, said Ray Boucher, the lead plaintiff attorney coordinating the release.

"Much of this went unreported. You're talking about kids that were terrorized and frightened in so many different ways, with no place and no one to turn to," he said.

Martinez's file is among the most complete and paints a devastating picture of a troubled and repressed child who later joined the priesthood to satisfy a domineering and devout father. Martinez, a twin and one of nine children, grew up in the same working-class city south of Los Angeles where he is accused of later molesting children when he was posted there as a priest. Martinez also admitted in therapy to molesting his younger brother as a child, the documents show.

When he arrived in his hometown parish in 1972, he immediately began molesting children, recalled one man who sued over Martinez's abuse. The man, now 50, requested anonymity because he is well-known in his professional life and has not spoken publicly about his case before. The AP does not publish the names of victims of sexual abuse without their consent.

"We were into wrestling characters on television and what he would do is he would have us wrestle each other and then wrestle with him, which means we'd get down into our skivvies and he'd take pictures of us. He was always taking pictures," the man said. "I just remember the smell of the old Polaroid flash cubes. He would go through them like crazy."

The man received a settlement in 2007, and Martinez was never charged criminally, in part because his alleged abuses weren't reported until years later.

The man said Martinez always had a group of young boys around him and would take them to see R-rated movies and on group trips. One summer day, he recalled, the priest took six boys to a local amusement park, but stopped on the way at an apartment where another man lived. Martinez and the man went inside with one of the boys and left the other five in a hot car for several hours. When the trio came back, the boy was sobbing and didn't stop for hours.

FRACTURING

From 1A

"These burdensome and duplicative regulations could significantly inhibit hydraulic fracturing on federal land," said Rep. Doug Lamborn, R-Colo. "State regulators are in the best position to handle the day-to-day management of (oil and gas activities) within their states."

Texas Republican Rep. Bill Flores, who sponsored the bill, said it is essential to place "a check on the growth of out-of-control, one-size-fits-all government" that could strangle a new oil and gas revolution in the United States.

"Hydraulic fracturing has been effectively regulated by the states for decades, and BLM's attempts to regulate hydraulic fracturing at the federal level only add more red tape and unnecessary burdens that will ultimately harm our energy security," Flores said.

But Democratic critics said Flores' bill would block the most basic of standards for drilling on public lands, even in states that have virtually no mandates of their own. Under Flores' bill, the prohibition on federal regulations would apply anywhere states have regulations, guidance or permit requirements for hydraulic fracturing.

Rep. Peter DeFazio, D-Ore., called that an "unbelievably broad exemption."

The result is that federal fracturing regulations would be off limits even in "a state that says 'you have to pay $10 and file a piece of paper for a permit,'" DeFazio said. "That would preempt the federal government from protecting the resources" in that state, even on public lands also used for hunting, fishing and hiking.

Rep. Paul Tonko, D-N.Y., said the measure was "little more than a giveaway to big oil and gas companies to run roughshod over federal and state lands."

"This bill would preempt the Interior Department from executing their mission of ensuring that federal land — land owned by the American people — is protected for this and future generations," Tonko said.

Hydraulic fracturing involves pumping sand, chemicals and water underground to release oil and gas trapped inside dense rock formations. Oil and gas companies have combined the fracturing process with horizontal drilling to tap previously unrecoverable supplies in Texas, North Dakota, Pennsylvania and other states.

MEETING

From 1A

Jackson's remarks that the majority of members at the center are happy.

"There's a lot of emotion," Morales said. "The emotion has become stronger because the seniors feel like they're not being heard."

After the meeting, Sneed said communication between the seniors and CSS is not about a lack of trying, but if the message is received in the first place. Sneed also commented on the animosity between the seniors and Jackson, saying that as far back as 20 years ago, petitions always arose every time a new executive director was hired.

Although the meeting didn't lead to any solutions, it was an opportunity for the CSS board members to hear firsthand the problem affecting Midland Senior Center.

"The board will hopefully take a good look at any of the issues that they heard," Trost said. "There should be accountability, period, on all levels."

Q&A: Tracking the source of stomach bug outbreak

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — State and federal investigators are trying to figure out the source of a stomach bug that has sickened 372 people in 15 states. Iowa and Nebraska have linked some cases in their states to eating pre-packaged salad mix, but the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Food and Drug Administration have said the mix is not linked to all of the cases.

Some frequently asked questions about the infection and the outbreak:

What are cyclospora infections and how do people contract them?

Cyclospora infection, or cyclosporiasis, is caused by parasites that are spread when people ingest food or water contaminated with feces. People who are exposed usually become sick after about a week and have bad diarrhea and other flu-like symptoms that can last from a few days to a month or longer if untreated. It's common to feel tired and relapse is possible. It's not generally contagious and can be treated with antibiotics. Deaths from the infection are rare.

Who is usually at risk?

People who live or travel in tropical or subtropical countries are most at risk, according to the CDC. The infections are rare in the United States but have been linked in the past to imported fruits and vegetables.

Am I at risk in this current outbreak? How do I know if I have it?

You are probably OK if you have not already gotten sick. The CDC reports that most of the illnesses were reported between mid-June and early July. Fifteen states have so far reported illnesses: Arkansas, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Texas and Wisconsin.

Associated Press

In this image provided Tuesday by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, a photomicrograph of a fresh stool sample, which had been prepared using a 10 percent formalin solution, and stained with modified acid-fast stain, reveals the presence of four Cyclospora cayetanensis oocysts in the field of view.

How does the government trace the source of illnesses like this?

It takes a lot of legwork and coordination between states and the federal government. Cases are confirmed when a sick person gives a sample to his or her doctor and that sample is tested. If it is positive, it will eventually be reported to a state health department. The states then gather that data and coordinate with the CDC to look for common strains that could link the illness to a specific product. State and federal officials interview the victims and closely question them about what they ate around the time they fell ill — often a difficult task, as it is hard for most people to remember everything they ate over an extended time. That is made even harder in a cyclosporiasis investigation because the illness doesn't show up for a week.

In this outbreak, the Food and Drug Administration says its investigators have been trying to trace the paths of the food eaten by those who fell ill. Food often goes through several stops — potentially in several countries — before it reaches a grocery cart, and the FDA said the process is "labor-intensive and painstaking work, requiring the collection, review and analysis of hundreds and at times thousands of invoices and shipping documents."

The agency said it has a seven-person team in its Maryland headquarters and specialists in 10 field offices across the country working to identify the source of the outbreak.

What can I do to prevent contracting an illness like this?

Short of growing all of your own food, it may be unavoidable. All foods — including those labeled local, natural or organic — have the potential to be exposed to safety hazards on the farm, in transit or in the store. Sometimes all it takes is one rogue animal that broke through a fence or one employee who didn't wash his hands to infect food.

What you can do is make sure you practice safe handling and preparation. The FDA recommends always washing hands, utensils and surfaces with hot, soapy water before and after handling food. You should also thoroughly wash all fresh produce before you eat it. Those measures should significantly reduce your chances of getting sick.

US economy may need continued support from Fed

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A key government report and a statement from the Federal Reserve made clear Wednesday that the U.S. economy still needs help.

The economy grew at a lackluster 1.7 percent annual rate in the April-June quarter, the Commerce Department said. That was better than a revised 1.1 percent rate for the first quarter but still far too sluggish to quickly reduce unemployment.

The Fed's statement suggested it's too early to signal a pullback in its $85 billion a month in Treasury and mortgage bond purchases. The bond purchases have been intended to keep long-term interest rates down to spur borrowing and spending and invigorate the economy.

In a statement after a policy meeting, Fed policymakers slightly downgraded their assessment of the economy. They also noted that mortgage rates, which have helped drive home sales, have risen from record lows.

And the Fed noted that inflation has remained consistently below its 2 percent target and is still a potential threat to the economy. Continued stimulus by the central bank could lead to higher inflation.

Some economists said they thought the Fed was now less likely to start scaling back its bond buying in September, when many analysts have said it would probably do so.

December may now be a more likely time for the Fed to taper its purchases — if the economy shows consistent gains in the second half of the year.

"This is a step back from taper talk, though not the final word," said Paul Edelstein, an economist at IHS Global Insight.

AP file photo

Jeff Caldwell, 29, right, a chassis assembly line supervisor, checks a vehicle on the assembly line at the Chrysler Jefferson North Assembly plant in Detroit on May 8.

The Fed, like many private economists, expects growth to accelerate later this year. Job gains have been steady, and auto and home sales strong. The economic drag from federal spending cuts that kicked in this year is also expected to ease.

"We continue to anticipate a meaningful acceleration in the economy in the back half of the year," said Joseph LaVorgna, an economist at Deutsche Bank.

A key indicator will come today, when the Institute for Supply Management issues its U.S. manufacturing index for July. Manufacturing appears to be rebounding after slumping earlier this year.

The Fed will pay even closer attention to the employment report for July, which will be issued Friday. It's expected to show that employers added a solid 183,000 jobs. The unemployment rate is forecast to dip to a still-high 7.5 percent from 7.6 percent.

Despite the economy's tepid showing in the April-June quarter, it's now improved for two straight quarters as measured by the growth in the U.S. gross domestic product, or GDP.

Consumer spending rose at a 1.8 percent annual rate last quarter, less than in the previous quarter. That's a sign that tax increases that kicked in this year have led some Americans to cut back. Consumer spending makes up about 70 percent of the economy.

Still, the rise in consumer spending last quarter was better than most economists had expected, and it showed that many people have remained resilient.

Robust auto sales signal that Americans are more confident about their finances, economists say. Sales of vehicles topped 7.8 million in the first six months of 2013, the best first-half total since 2007. Analysts said sales should remain solid for the rest of the year.

That is "a very nice indication of consumers' willingness to go out and make big-ticket purchases," said Peter D'Antonio, an economist at Citigroup.

Businesses spent more on industrial machinery and other equipment in the second quarter after cutting back in the first. And spending on housing surged at an annual rate of 13.4 percent, slightly more than in the first three months of the year. The once-battered housing sector, which shrank for five straight years through 2010, is now a key source of economic growth.

Even as consumer and business demand have remained steady, government cutbacks have weighed heavily on the economy. Over the past four quarters, the economy has grown at just a 1.4 percent annual rate. But if you exclude federal, state and local governments, the private sector has expanded at a much stronger 2.3 percent rate.

The "ongoing fiscal drag is masking private sector health," LaVorgna said.

There are signs the drag is fading. The federal government cut spending only 1.5 percent in the second quarter after slashing it 8.4 percent in the first. And state and local governments spent more last quarter for the first time in a year.

Overall, economists expect growth will rise to an annual rate of around 2.5 percent in the third and fourth quarters.

On Wednesday, the government also released comprehensive revisions that updated GDP over the past several decades. Those figures showed that the Great Recession wasn't quite as deep as initially estimated and that the recovery has been stronger than earlier thought.

The revisions estimated that the economy grew 2.8 percent in 2012, up from an earlier estimate of 2.2 percent.

GDP is the broadest measure of the nation's output of goods and services. It includes everything from manicures to industrial machinery. The government's comprehensive revisions included changes in how GDP is defined.

Research and development spending is now counted as an investment — and thus a contributor to GDP — rather than a cost. So is spending on the development of entertainment products like movies, music, books and TV shows. Those and other changes expanded the economy by about $560 billion, or 3.5 percent, as of the end of 2012 — to $16.4 billion.

Pension benefit promises are now counted as income. That's a shift from the previous approach, which counted only actual cash payments by companies and government agencies into pension plans. That change boosted the savings rate by 1.5 percentage points in 2011 and 2012 to about 5.6 percent. In the second quarter, Americans saved 4.5 percent of their after-tax income, up from 4 percent in the first quarter.

The biggest source of optimism for the economy has been the acceleration in hiring. Employers added an average of 202,000 jobs a month from January through June, up from 180,000 in the previous six months.

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Government shutdown shouldn't be GOP's solution

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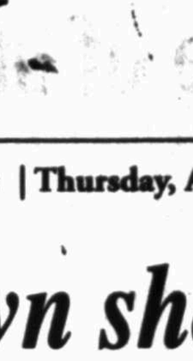

ROSS DOUTHAT
N.Y. Times News Service

Before political movements can be understood by others, they need to understand themselves: what they want to be, what they actually are and how they might bridge the gap between aspiration and reality.

Today, the post-George W. Bush, post-Mitt Romney conservative movement is one-third of the way there. Among younger activists and rising politicians, the American right has a plausible theory of what its role in our politics ought to be, and how it might advance the common good. What it lacks, for now, is the self-awareness to see how it falls short of its own ideal, and the creativity necessary to transform its self-conception into victory, governance, results.

The theory goes something like this: American politics is no longer best understood in the left-right terms that defined 20th-century debates. Rather, our landscape looks more like a much earlier phase in democracy's development, when the division that mattered was between outsiders and insiders, the "country party" and the "court party."

These terms emerged in 18th-century Britain, during the rule of Sir Robert Walpole, the island kingdom's first true prime minister. They were coined by his opponents, a circle led by Henry St. John, Viscount Bolingbroke, who were both conservative and populist at once: They regarded Walpole's centralization of power as a kind of organized conspiracy, in which the realm's political, business and military interests were colluding against the common good.

Bolingbroke is largely forgotten today, but his skepticism about the ways that money and power intertwine went on to influence the American Revolution and practically every populist movement in our nation's history. And it's his civic republican ideas, repurposed for a new era, that you hear in the rhetoric of new-guard Republican politicians like Rand Paul and Mike Lee, in right-wing critiques of our incestuous "ruling class," and from pundits touting a "libertarian populism" instead.

Theirs is not just the usual conservative critique of big government, though that's obviously part of it. It's a more thoroughgoing attack on the way Americans are ruled today, encompassing Wall Street and corporate America, the media and the national-security state.

As theories go, it's well-suited to the times. The story of the last decade in American life is, indeed, a story of consolidation and self-dealing at the top. There really is a kind of "court party" in American politics, whose shared interests and assumptions — interventionist, corporatist, globalist — have stamped the last two presidencies and shaped just about every major piece of Obama-era legislation. There really is a disconnect between this elite's priorities and those of the country as a whole. There really is a sense in which the ruling class — in Washington, especially — has grown fat at the expense of the nation it governs.

The problem for conservatives isn't their critique of this court party and its works. Rather, it's their failure to understand why many Americans can agree with this critique but still reject the Republican alternative.

They reject it for two reasons. First, while Republicans claim to oppose the ruling class on behalf of the country as a whole, they often seem to be representing an equally narrow set of interest groups — mostly elderly, rural (the GOP is a "country party" in a far too literal sense) and well-off. A party that cuts food stamps while voting for farm subsidies or fixates on upper-bracket tax cuts while wages are stagnating isn't actually offering a libertarian populist alternative to the court party's corrupt bargains. It's just offering a different, more Republican-friendly set of buy-offs.

Second, as much as Americans may distrust a cronyist liberalism, they prefer it to a conservatism that doesn't seem interested in governing at all. This explains why Republicans could win the battle for public opinion on President Barack Obama's first-term agenda without persuading the public to actually vote him out of office. The sense that Obama was at least trying to solve problems, whereas the right offered only opposition, was powerful enough to overcome disappointment with the actual results.

Both of these problems dog the right's populists today. There might indeed be a "libertarian populist" agenda that could help Republicans woo the middle class — but not if, as in Rand Paul's budget proposals, its centerpiece is just another sweeping tax cut for the rich.

There might be a way to turn Obamacare's unpopularity against Democrats in 2014 — but not if Republican populists shut down the government in a futile attempt to defund it.

To overthrow a flawed ruling class, it isn't enough to know what's gone wrong at the top. You need more self-knowledge, substance and strategic thinking than conservatives have displayed to date.

Here the historical record is instructive. The original "country party" critique of Robert Walpole's government was powerful, resonant and intellectually influential.

But it still wasn't politically successful. Instead, the era as a whole belonged to Walpole and his court — as this one, to date, belongs to Barack Obama.

OUR VIEW

Courthouse square revitalization projects don't happen overnight

We read with interest the story in Sunday's Reporter-Telegram about the Central Texas courthouse squares that are experiencing new life. And, yes, we said "what if?"

First of all, we believe most Midlanders would have preferred a scenario in which a vibrant historical courthouse was the center of a proposed area of redeveloped downtown. There are many reasons that didn't transpire, and not all have to do with the Energy Tower or the efforts of those people who favored a historical feel to that region of downtown.

But let's get inspired by what we read in Sunday's paper and say there is a future that keeps a courthouse in the middle of downtown. First, we have to make an assumption — and a big one at that — that the building can find a developer who can make it functional.

Even if you had that, there is still a reason why Midland's downtown revitalization process might not measure up to those Central Texas locations, Georgetown and San Marcos.

One official said it best that downtown revitalization is a process, a long process. Both communities have been in the game for decades. That is not to say there haven't been Midlanders concerned about downtown revitalization, but our efforts didn't sock away more than $30 million in public and private efforts like Georgetown did.

We also don't benefit from the university presence both of the other cities enjoy. Anyone who's been to a college town knows that community has an advantage when it comes to revitalization, specifically nightlife.

Lastly, a revitalization project needs circumstance on its side. Our community's boom-bust cycle has made it hard to think long-term about projects, such as downtown revitalization.

When the county moved into its new digs, it didn't take long for people to look at the property on which the historical courthouse sits and dream of the possibilities. During a boom cycle of current proportions, those dreams might as well be on steroids — hence the 53-story building. And if it wasn't Energy Tower, something else would have come along.

Our current economy has few thinking about five, 10 and 20 years from now. The attention is on what tomorrow will bring. So while we read about what other communities could make happen, we probably have to be realistic, knowing there is a reason a courthouse revitalization project was not possible.

Too many dominoes would have to fall, and at this point, no one has even set them up.

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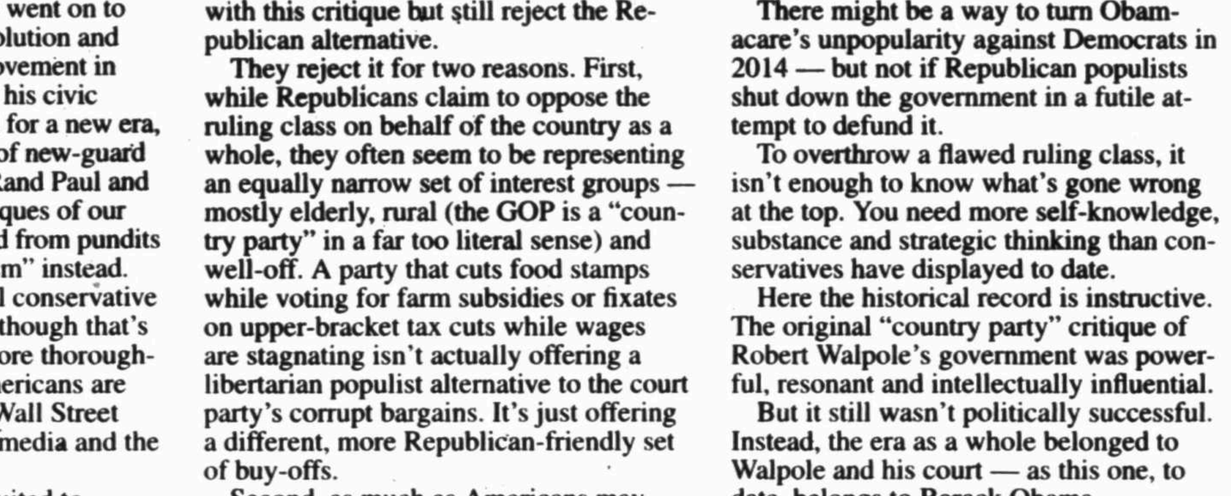

Papal comments should resonate

■ "Who am I to judge" sounds like logical advice for us mere mortals

RUTH MARCUS
Washington Post Writers Group

With five simple words, Pope Francis stopped us in our self-regarding, self-important tracks.

"Who am I to judge?" Francis asked, when queried about gay priests. "If someone is gay and he searches for the Lord and has good will, who am I to judge?"

Um, the pope? The infallible one?

To be clear, on the issue of homosexuality, the new pope's stance is more recasting than revelation. The difference between Francis and his predecessor, Pope Benedict XVI, involves their language about supposed sinners, not their shared conviction that the behavior is a sin.

Benedict issued a document describing homosexuality as "a strong tendency ordered toward an intrinsic moral evil" and an "objective disorder," adding, for good measure, that men with "deep-seated homosexual tendencies" should not enter the priesthood. He didn't have a problem with judging.

But Francis seems determined to take the pontiff out of the pontificating business. He carried his own bag to Brazil, and thought it was no big deal. "It's normal to carry a bag," he said. "I'm a bit surprised that the image of the bag made its way around the world. Anyway, it wasn't the suitcase with the codes for the nuclear bomb."

Having begun his first international trip by announcing he did not do interviews, he ended with an hour-and-20-minute midair news conference that would have been remarkable for a politician, no less a pope.

Francis announced, disappointingly, that the no-girls-allowed sign would remain on the priestly clubhouse — Pope John Paul II, he said, had definitively stated "that door is closed" — but softened that stance with more inclusive language.

"It is not enough to have altar girls, women readers, or women as the president of Caritas," he said, referring to the Catholic charity. "The role of women doesn't end just with being a mother and with housework ... we don't yet have a truly deep theology of women in the church."

This was the papal version of the Straight Talk Express — and about as effective, even seductive, for the reporters on board as was John McCain's openness on his campaign bus. Benedict required questions in writing, in advance, and his advisers selected which ones he would deign to answer. Francis thanked a reporter for an impertinent question about the Vatican's gay lobby.

But the lasting phrase from his news conference, one with resonance to Catholics and non-Catholics alike, will no doubt be, "Who am I to judge?" This is not a common question in the modern age. We live in an "American Idol" culture in which judging is celebrated and judges are celebrities. The harsher, even crueler, the judging, the higher the judge's profile. *"So You Think You Can Dance?" "You're Fired!" "Chopped."*

The audience is riveted by the buildup to the moment of judgment, by the prospect that those being judged will lash out or, better yet, dissolve in tears. We sit at home, simultaneously playing judge ourselves and feeling relief that we are not among the judged.

Yes, we as a society are less inclined to moral judgments, and that is, for the most part, a happy development. What once was a source of shame — unwed motherhood, for example — is now, if not a point of pride, at least a marker of normalcy. Check out that celebrity with her baby bump.

But if we are less willing to make moral pronouncements, we seem ever more willing to judge others for just about everything else, and to revel in the certitude of our judgments. You be the judge.

This may seem a strange argument, coming as it does from someone who gets paid to pronounce judgments. In my line of work, hubris is a job requirement; we judge presidents and politicians, justices and juries, never having worn their shoes. The more stiletto-sharp the judgment, the higher the number of online page views, the greater the deluge of television invitations. There is no profit in mealy-mouthed uncertainty.

Francis' admonition about humility called to mind Justice Robert Jackson's famous quote about the Supreme Court, in the 1953 case of Brown v. Allen, "We are not final because we are infallible, but we are infallible only because we are final."

Most of us are neither justices nor popes, with infallibility conferred by the Constitution or by an even higher authority. But the humility of the supposedly infallible is a valuable lesson to the merer mortals among us. "Who am I to judge" is always a good place to begin.

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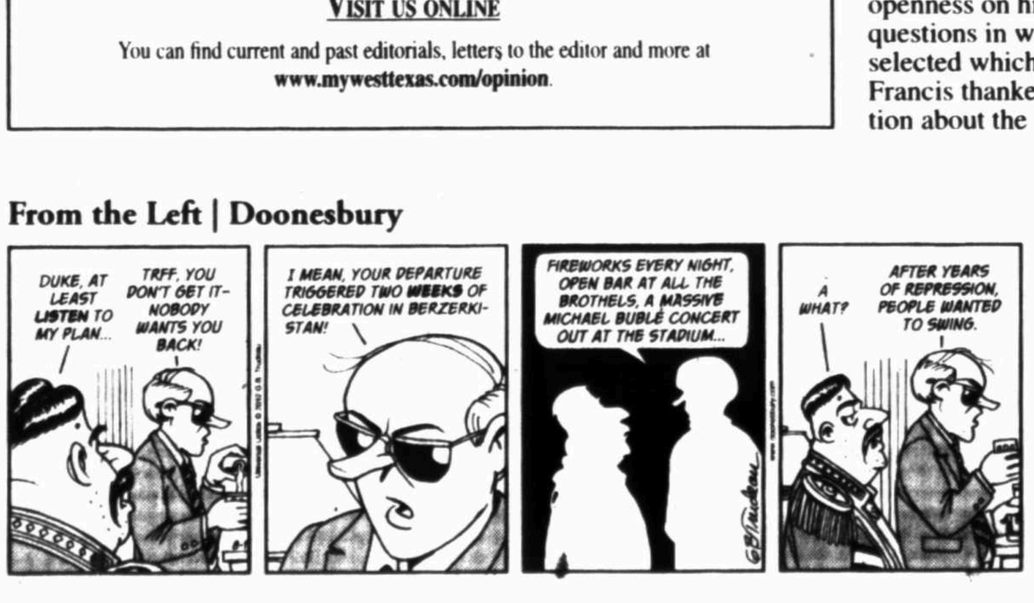

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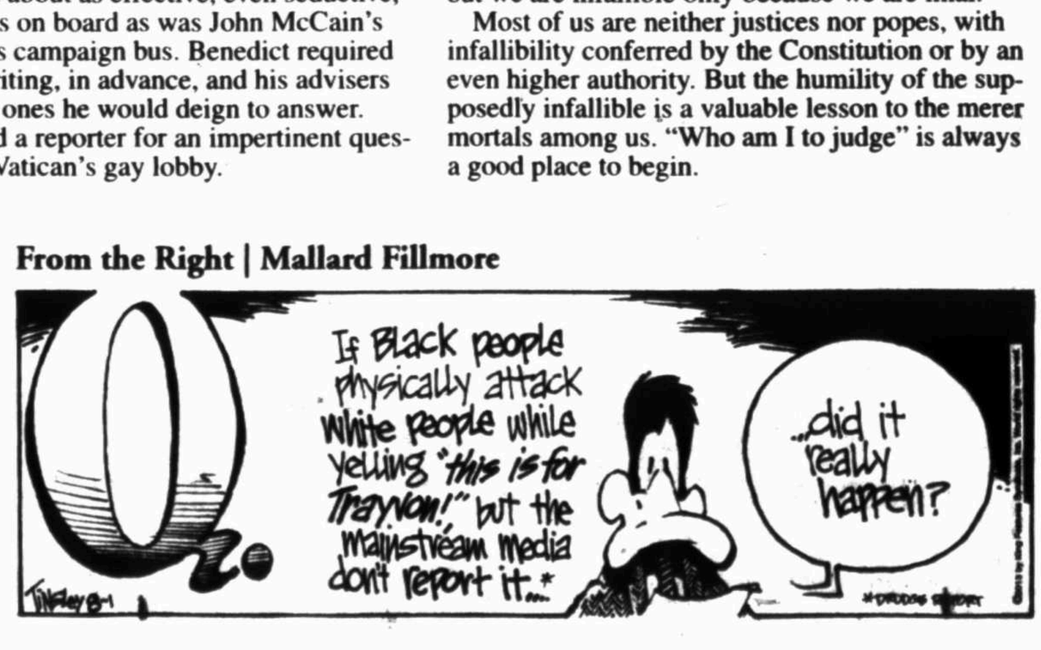

Cruz: Grassroots uprising can stop health care law

Associated Press

AUSTIN — U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz said Wednesday that a federal government shutdown may be necessary to halt the White House-backed health care law — calling the budget debate to avoid one the best and maybe last chance of defunding the Obama administration's signature initiative.

The tea party firebrand has long suggested that holding up the continuing resolution, or must-pass legislation that will keep federal agencies running after Sept. 30, is critical leverage congressional Republicans have against the health care law. During a conference call with a small group of reporters from the Senate cloakroom, Cruz said, "My focus for the next 61 days is very directly targeted to one thing, and that is working to defund Obamacare."

He said he and fellow fierce conservatives U.S. Sens. Mike Lee of Utah and Marco Rubio of Florida have agreed to oppose the spending bill at the end of the budget year in September if it includes funding for the health care law.

"In my view, this is the best opportunity we have to defund Obamacare and quite possibly our last to effectively defund Obamacare," Cruz said.

He also acknowledged, though, that many of his Republican Senate and House colleagues won't support the effort unless "the grassroots rise up in overwhelming numbers and demand it."

"No politician in Washington can win this fight," Cruz said, adding that "only the American people" could.

Wednesday marked the one-year anniversary of Cruz's upset victory over Texas Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst in the Republican primary to succeed retiring U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison. A little-known former state solicitor general, Cruz began the race as a huge underdog but used a wave of tea party support to first force an unlikely runoff election, then trounce Dewhurst— the well-financed, mainstream GOP choice, in a summer vote featuring low turnout.

Since arriving in Washington, Cruz's brash style has angered both Democrats and many Republicans, but he has so embraced the role of Senate troublemaker that his name is now mentioned in Texas circles as a possible 2016 presidential candidate.

"When the race for Senate began nobody thought I had a prayer," Cruz said. He called his victory, "a tremendous testament to the power of the grassroots" and said the same model could now successfully defund the health care law.

Asked why grassroots support opposing the law didn't hurt President Barack Obama's re-election bid last year, Cruz replied, "one of the biggest mistakes Republicans made in November is that we didn't draw clear distinctions and win the argument."

He called the 2010 midterm elections a referendum on the health care law that saw Republicans prevailed in many key races. But last year, Cruz said, "Obamacare all-but disappeared from the conversation."

"Anytime Republicans paint in pale pastels rather than drawing clear distinctions between two visions for the country," he added, "we lose."

With 3 'hops,' NSA gets millions of phone records

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama's national security team acknowledged for the first time Wednesday that, when investigating one suspected terrorist, it can read and store the phone records of millions of Americans.

Since it was revealed recently that the National Security Agency puts the phone records of every American into a database, the Obama administration has assured the nation that such records are rarely searched and, when they are, officials target only suspected international terrorists.

But testimony before Congress on Wednesday showed how easy it is for Americans with no connection to terrorism to unwittingly have their calling patterns analyzed by the government.

It hinges on what's known as "hop" or "chain" analysis. When the NSA identifies a suspect, it can look not just at his phone records, but also the records of everyone he calls, everyone who calls those people and everyone who calls those people.

If the average person called 40 unique people, three-hop analysis would allow the government to mine the records of 2.5 million Americans when investigating one suspected terrorist.

The NSA has said it conducted 300 searches of its telephone database last year. Left unsaid until Wednesday was that three-hop analysis off those searches could mean scrutinizing the phone records of tens or even hundreds of millions of people.

"So what has been described as a discrete program, to go after people who would cause us harm, when you look at the reach of this program, it envelopes a substantial number of Americans," said Sen. Dick Durbin of Illinois, the No. 2 Democrat in the Senate.

John Inglis, the NSA's deputy director, conceded the point but said NSA officials "try to be judicious" about conducting hop analysis.

"And so while, theoretically, 40 times 40 times 40 gets you to a large number, that's not typically what takes place," he said. "We have to compare the theory to the practice."

Such reassurances have done little to quell the sharp criticism from both parties over the once-secret program. Last week saw a close vote in the House on a measure that aimed to kill the phone surveillance program.

On Wednesday, the administration acknowledged some limitations to its sweeping surveillance powers are inevitable.

"We are open to re-evaluating this program in ways that can perhaps provide greater confidence and public trust that this is in fact a program that achieves both privacy protections and national security," Robert Litt, counsel to the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, told skeptical members of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

This newest privacy-vs.-security debate was touched off when former government contract systems analyst Edward Snowden leaked classified documents exposing National Security Agency programs that store years of phone records on every American. That revelation prompted the most significant reconsideration yet of the vast surveillance powers Congress granted the president after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

The administration intended to keep the telephone program a secret, and for more than a decade few in Congress showed any interest in limiting the surveillance. Snowden's leaks abruptly changed the calculus on Capitol Hill.

"We have a lot of good information out there that helps the American public understand these programs, but it all came out late," Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse, D-R.I., said in a rebuke of government secrecy. "It all came out in response to a leaker. There was no organized plan for how we rationally declassify this so that the American people can participate in the debate."

The telephone program is authorized under a provision of the USA Patriot Act, which Congress hurriedly passed after 9/11. President George W. Bush's administration said then what Obama's administration says now: that in order to connect the dots, it needs to collect lots of dots.

Sen. Patrick Leahy was skeptical.

"There's always going to be dots to collect, analyze and try to connect," he said. "Government is already collecting data on millions of innocent Americans on a daily basis based on a secret legal interpretation of a statute that does not on its face appear to authorize this kind of bulk collection. So what's going to be next? When is enough enough?"

Several Democrats promised bills that would provide tighter controls or more transparency. Proposals include eliminating the FBI's ability to seize data without a court order, changing the way judges are appointed to the surveillance court and appointing an attorney to argue against the government in secret proceedings before that court. Another measure would force the government to reveal how many Americans have had their information swept up in surveillance.

Inglis said the NSA was willing to reconsider whether it needed to keep phone data for five years.

Associated Press

From left, National Security Agency Deputy Director John C. Inglis, Robert Litt, general counsel in the Office of Director of National Intelligence, and Sean Joyce, deputy director of the FBI, testify on Capitol Hill in Washington on Wednesday, as the Senate Intelligence Committee questioned top Obama administration officials about the National Security Agency's surveillance programs for the first time since the House narrowly rejected a proposal last week to effectively shut down the NSA's secret collection of hundreds of millions of Americans' phone records.

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CAF releases potential headquarter locations

List favors Dallas areas for new administrative offices, national air base

By Rachael Gleason
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The Commemorative Air Force favored Texas metropolitan areas in a list of potential locations for its new headquarters.

CAF announced in May its decision to relocate administrative offices and build a new national air base. The list released Wednesday includes airports in Fort Worth, McKinney, Dallas, Houston, San Antonio and Sherman-Dennison. Only two airports in other states — Kansas City-Olathe, Kan., and Smurna, Tenn. — made the list.

"Each of these eight locations has the potential to help propel the Commemorative Air Force to a higher plane of awareness and national impact," said Stephan C. Brown, CAF president and CEO, in a prepared statement.

The move needs the approval of nine of 11 board members, who voted unanimously in April, and three-fourths of member-volunteers, who can vote by absentee ballot or in person at the CAF AirSho in October. The vote by member-volunteers authorizes the board to make a final selection, Brown said.

The CAF has been working with international real estate and consulting firm Jones Lang LaSalle to narrow down the list of locations from 25 to eight. Location requirements for the air base include being in a metropolitan area with a population of at least 1 million people. Existing road and economic infrastructure must be in place, and the location must sit on at least 150 to 200 acres of land adjacent to a major international airport with air space around and above the airport.

"We were excited to see strong interest from many communities across the country, which our team carefully evaluated," Brown said. "Over the next few months, the general staff will conduct an extensive investigation, proposal and negotiation process to further narrow the potential sites and ultimately select a new location."

Brown previously said the CAF museum and its annual events will stay in Midland. The new national air base will become the organization's headquarters and feature annual aviation attractions.

"For more than 55 years, we have been restoring, maintaining and operating the world's largest fleet of flying vintage military aircraft," Brown said. "We expect this air base to become a premier destination for the chosen host

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HOSTAGEPRACTICEDRILL

Photos by Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

ABOVE: MISD students posing as hostages are escorted to the auditorium as Midland police, MISD, Sheriff's deputies and DPS officers train on a shooter-on-campus drill Wednesday morning at Midland High School. **BELOW:** Emergency personnel load "victims" onto a mass triage bus during the drill.

MISD, law officers participate in 'mock shooter' drill

By Tyler White
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With police tape outlining a perimeter at Midland High School Wednesday morning, law enforcement officers escorted limping students, covered in what appeared to be blood, across campus.

The blood was fake, and the incident was a mock "active shooter" drill, which provided valuable training for law enforcement agencies in the event that a shooting were to occur, said Midland ISD Police Chief David Colburn.

Volunteers posing as injured students were transported from the campus' west side to the auditorium, where a mock triage center was set up to treat the "injured" students for

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New session brings renewed hope for campus construction

By Reeve Hamilton
Texas Tribune

Despite broad bipartisan support, Texas lawmakers have been unsuccessful this year in their efforts to pass a bill issuing tuition revenue bonds — or TRBs — to fund campus construction around the state. Returning for yet another special session, which Gov. Rick Perry called on Tuesday, may provide them with an opportunity to try again.

"I don't think any of us have ever given up hope," said state Rep. Donna Howard, D-Austin. "We would certainly like to see TRBs on the call."

At the end of the regular session, the TRB bill was held up by political jockeying as the clock ran out. In the two subsequent special sessions, Perry did not add the issue to the official to-do list. Lawmakers could have tried to move a TRB bill, but when the legislation is not on the governor's special session call, it's easy to defeat on a technicality.

Before the second special ended, Perry indicated that he might consider adding TRBs to that call. "Once we get the transportation issue addressed and finalized, then we can have a conversation about whether or not there are any other issues that we have the time and inclination to put on the call," he said.

But a plan to address the state's transportation funding needs failed, and so TRBs were never added. Now, Perry has called lawmakers back for a third 30-day special session, and transportation funding remains the only item on the agenda — for now.

"If and when both chambers pass the transportation bill, I believe very strongly that the governor will add TRBs to the call," said state Sen. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo.

Zaffirini pushed for a TRB bill for the last three regular sessions and has already filed a bill in the just-called special session. State Sen. Kel Seliger, R-Amarillo, and state Sen. Kirk Watson, D-Austin, are among the 22 co-authors on Zaffirini's legislation and have also filed TRB bills of their own.

The Legislature hasn't approved a round of bonds to fund campus construction in seven years, and the list of needed projects has been growing, as has the student population.

"Tuition revenue bonds are a necessity for higher education in this state, and it should be a top priority in our third special session," said state Rep. John Raney, R-College Station, adding, "Institutions must have a reliable long-term source of funding for their infrastructure, and we must provide an additional funding source for them to be able to address their needs."

Howard, who was one of 69 House members to sign a letter requesting that TRBs be added to the call during the first special session, said she did not under-

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BEAT THE HEAT: Tips for surviving triple-digit temperatures in Midland

National Heatstroke Prevention Day was Wednesday

- Heatstroke occurs when the body core temperature reaches 104 degree F
- A body core temperature of 107 degrees is usually fatal
- A child's body warms 3 to 5 times faster than an adult's

Here's what Strobin said about staying safe in summer's high temperatures:

- Don't leave children or pets unattended in vehicles.
- Stay hydrated. Drink water or drinks with electrolytes. Caffeine tends to dehydrate.
- Take breaks. Avoid outdoor activities in the middle of the afternoon. (Dawn is the coolest time of the day.)

Expect triple-digit temperatures this weekend

The maximum temperature on Wednesday reached a high of 98. The record high for July 31 is 105, set in 1944. The National Weather Service reports sunny and hot conditions for the rest of the week:

- Today: High of 100. Low of 77
- Friday: High of 104. Low of 78
- Saturday: High of 101. Low of 76

See Page 5B for more weather information

Heatstroke deaths of children in vehicles

- Number of heatstroke deaths of children left in cars, 1998-2012: More than 559
- Average annual number of heatstroke deaths of children in cars, 1998-2012: 38

Average elapsed time and inside vehicle temperature rise compared to outside temperature

- 10 minutes: 19-degree increase
- 20 minutes: 29-degree increase
- 30 minutes: 34-degree increase
- 1 hour: 43-degree increase

Remember to ACT

- A: Avoid heatstroke-related injury and death by never leaving a child in a car.
- C: Create reminders by putting something in the back of the car next to a child. Items may be a briefcase, purse or cellphone.
- T: Take action if a person sees a child alone in a car. Call 911.

Sources: National Weather Service, San Francisco State University's Department of Geosciences and Safe Kids Texas Heatstroke Task Force

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Mark Strobin, warning coordination meteorologist for the National Weather Service, threw out the first pitch during Wednesday's RockHounds game to raise awareness for heatstroke prevention as temperatures reached 98 degrees.

Obituaries

Gerry Robert Edney

Gerry Robert Edney was born Sept. 28, 1946, in Houston, TX. He died of a heart attack on July 30, 2013, in Midland, TX.

Our beloved husband, dad, stepdad, grandpa, and friend has gotten to heaven and said "FANTASTIC!" for the last time. We rejoice in our knowledge that he was a Christian and one of the nicest people you could ever meet.

Gerry worked many years for the Texas Workforce Commission in Odessa and Midland. He then worked almost 14 years for HEB in many departments. He was the voice of the deli when he was there and many have heard his announcements for that department. In April of 2012, he opened Salt Haven Wellness Center in Midland and enjoyed meeting many new friends.

Gerry was preceded in death by his parents - Robert Edney and Christine Knight Edney. He is survived by his wife, Donna; sons, Shawn of Raleigh, NC and Stephen & Kristen Edney of Ben Wheeler, TX.; step-daughters, Carol & Rick Stocks of St. Louis, MO. and Sharon & James Schwab of Midland, TX.; nine grandchildren, Cory, Matthew, Andrew and Samuel of Raleigh, NC., Isabel, Audrey, Kaitlyn, and Sofia of Ben Wheeler, TX. and Wheeler of St. Louis, MO.

Visitation will be Thursday evening at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory, from 6:00 until 8:00 pm.

A Memorial Service will be held at 1:00 pm on Friday August 2, 2013, at Memorial Christian Church (1001 Andrews Highway). Please dress casually as Gerry hated ties and loved his jeans.

Memorials can be made to Family Promise of Midland (PO Box 7601 Midland TX 79708) or the charity of your choice.

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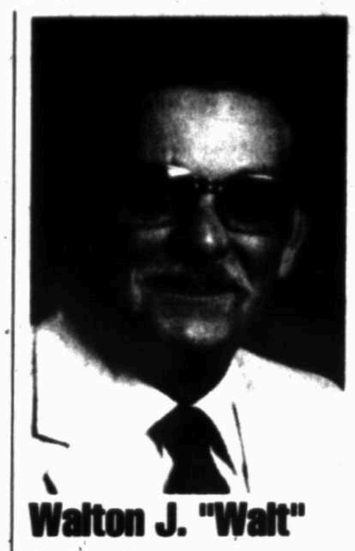

Walton J. "Walt" Schuyler

Walton J. "Walt" Schuyler, 88, of Midland, passed away Saturday, July 27, 2013, in Midland. Mr. Schuyler will be in state all day Thursday, August 1 at the funeral home. Graveside services will be held at 1:00 pm, Friday, August 2, 2013 at Resthaven Memorial Park with Rev. Bob Porterfield, officiating.

Walt was born December 23, 1924, in Butler, MO to Myrtle (Jones) and Carl E. Schuyler. He served in the United States Navy Seabees from 1943 until 1946. He married Bobbie Douglas on December 12, 1947 in Midland, TX. She preceded Walt in death on April 14, 2013. Walt owned and operated a paint contracting company in Midland. He enjoyed golfing and bowling.

Survivors include brother-in-law, W.A. Douglas of Midland; sister-in-law, Billie Douglas of Midland; nephews, Alan Douglas of Midland, Gary Douglas of Stanton, Greg Douglas of San Angelo, Michael Douglas and Marty Douglas; nieces, Patty Thomas of San Angelo and Carrie Leeper of Midland; and cousin, Karlos Quillin of Seminole, OK.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sister, Dicie Carrol and brother, Donald Schuyler.

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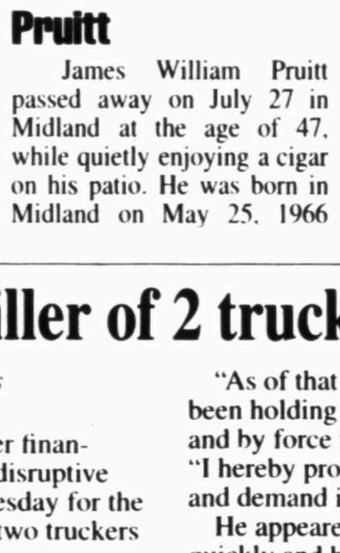

James William Pruitt

James William Pruitt passed away on July 27 in Midland at the age of 47, while quietly enjoying a cigar on his patio. He was born in Midland on May 25, 1966 and attended Midland High and then graduated from Assembly in Christ Academy in Midland.

On November 18, 1986, he married the love of his life, Darla Jeaneen Gunter. They were married 28 years. Will owned Diamond Tech Concrete Cutting and Core Drilling, working in west Texas for over 25 years.

Will was happiest grilling steaks on the patio and entertaining. He was a great friend, available to help others day or night, often surprising them with gifts from his travels. Will was a hopeless romantic. Holidays were his specialty, cards and gifts to his wife and children were always in abundance. (Rose petals were his signature.)

Will is survived by his mother Margret McGraw of Midland, wife Jeaneen Pruitt, daughter Amber LaShay Pruitt and son Matthew Jordan Pruitt, grandsons Noah Ivan Pruitt and Mason Jordan Pruitt, a brother Earl Warner, sisters Marie Warner and Mary Young, and his late father Jerry Lynn Pruitt.

Services will be held at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel in Midland Friday August 2, 2013 at 10:00 am. In lieu of flowers, the family request that memorials be made to the American Heart Association.

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Death Notices

Larry Paschal

Larry Paschal, 75, of Andrews, passed away Tuesday, July 30, 2013.

Funeral services will be 2:00 p.m. Friday, August 2, 2013 at McNett Funeral Home Chapel in Andrews.

He is survived by his wife, Pat Paschal; daughters Raelynn Irvin; Whitnee Jones; Tina parker; sister Diane Scott, and six grandchildren.

Raymond McKee

Raymond McKee, 81, of Big Spring, passed away Tuesday, July 30, 2013. The family will receive friends from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., Thursday, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 3:00 p.m., Friday, August 2, 2013, at Myers & Smith Chapel, with Rev. Monroe Teeters and Rev. Randy Cotton, officiating. Burial will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

He is survived four daughters: Verlinda Phillips (Stanley), Rhonda Hayes, Brenda Canady (Clifton), and Terra Lawrence (James); two sons: Rance McKee (Cindy) and Preston McKee (Gloria); seven sisters; thirteen grandchildren; eighteen great grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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Questions about death notices or online Guest Books?
Email: obits@mrt.com

Potential locations for new headquarters, national air base

Alliance Airport, Fort Worth
- Located on Interstate 35 West
- About 300 miles from Midland

Collin County Airport, McKinney
- Located near Highway 121 and U.S. Route 380 in the Dallas metropolitan area
- About 340 miles from Midland

Dallas Executive Airport, Dallas
- Located on U.S. Route 67 (Martin D. Love Freeway)
- About 315 miles from Midland

Ellington Field Airport, Houston
- Located near Interstate 45 (Gulf Freeway) and Beltway 8 (Sam Houston Tollway)
- About 450 miles from Midland

Lackland/Kelly Airport, San Antonio
- Located near Interstate 410 and U.S. Route 90
- About 275 miles from Midland

New Century Airport, Olathe, Kan.
- Located near Interstate 35 in the Kansas City, Kan., metropolitan area
- About 630 miles from Midland

North Texas Regional Airport, Sherman/Denison
- Near U.S. routes 75 and 82 in the Dallas

Nashville area
- About 350 miles from Midland

Smyrna/Rutherford County Airport, Smyrna, Tenn.
- Located near Interstate 24 in the Nashville metropolitan area
- About 940 miles from Midland

CAF headquarters and national air base criteria
- Must be located in a major metropolitan area with a population of at least 1 million people
- Must have an existing infrastructure of interstate highways
- About 150 to 200 acres adjacent to an airport capable of supporting CAF facilities, operations and a significant fly-in for air show
- Strong local demographics and easy access to a large pool of potential visitors and members
- A major reliever airport with limited scheduled carrier activity
- Open air space around and above the airport
- Runway length of 7,000 by 150 feet or more
- Visibility and ease of access
- Room and ability to grow
- Cooperative airport management and tower

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city."

Not everyone in the Permian Basin thinks the CAF is moving in the right direction. State Rep. Tom Craddick said the move could endanger state funding and break an agreement with the city to house "FiFi," the only flying B-29.

The CAF will discuss meeting regional commitments at the City Council meeting on Aug. 27, Brown said.

George Zimmerman stopped for speeding near Dallas

By Nomaan Merchant
Associated Press

FORNEY — George Zimmerman, the neighborhood watch volunteer who was cleared of all charges in the Florida shooting death of unarmed teenager Trayvon Martin, was stopped for speeding on a highway near Dallas, officials said Wednesday.

Forney police stopped Zimmerman on Sunday as he drove west on U.S. 80, about 20 miles east of Dallas. A police dash-cam video released Wednesday shows an officer interacting with Zimmerman and letting him go with a warning.

The officer, who was not identified, asks Zimmerman, "Where you headed this weekend?"

After an unintelligible response, the officer asks, "Nowhere in particular? Why you say that?"

"You didn't see my name?" Zimmerman replies.

"Nuh-uh," the officer says.

"What a coincidence!" the officer adds. "Are you clear of warrants and stuff?"

"Absolutely sir," Zimmerman says.

Zimmerman then says something else unintelligible and the officer responds, "Calm down man, you're good."

The officer then tells him, "I'm going to go back (to check his license), and why don't you slow down a little bit for me. We'll let you off with a warning."

After an unintelligible response from Zimmerman, the officer says, "Just take it easy. Go ahead and shut your glove compartment. Don't play with your firearm."

Although the officer's comments indicated Zimmerman had a gun, a weapon can't be seen and it's not clear that he had one. However, Zimmerman had a concealed weapons permit in Florida that would be also recognized under Texas law. The gun used in Martin's shooting remains in the custody of the federal government, which is looking into a possible civil rights case.

After returning Zimmerman's driver's license, the officer says, "All right, sir. Slow down." He wishes Zimmerman a safe trip.

The traffic stop was first reported by TMZ.

The speed limit on that stretch of road is 60 mph, but police records do not show how fast Zimmerman was driving, City Manager Brian Brooks said. Police handled Zimmerman as they would have any other motorist in a comparable situation and gave him no special treatment, Brooks said.

The city manager repeatedly declined to identify the officer involved in the traffic stop.

"He obviously didn't expect to pull over George Zimmerman. I don't think he wants the notoriety," Brooks said.

Shawn Vincent, a spokesman for Zimmerman's legal team, said the attorneys had not been able to confirm the account of Zimmerman's road stop independently, but he said he had no reason not to believe the report.

"Anytime his life intersects with anyone now, somehow that's news," Vincent said. "How many people, when they get a warning, become a national headline?"

Vincent would not discuss what Zimmerman was doing in Texas or say anything about Zimmerman's current location, citing safety concerns.

Zimmerman's acquittal on July 13 prompted rallies nationwide calling for a civil rights probe and federal charges against him.

Last year's shooting of Martin, an unarmed black teen, initiated a national dialogue about equal justice, racial profiling, gun control and self-defense laws.

Protesters nationwide lashed out against police in Sanford, Fla., as it took 44 days for Zimmerman to be arrested. Many, including Martin's parents, said Zimmerman had racially profiled the 17-year-old. Zimmerman identifies himself as Hispanic.

The only other time Zimmerman has been seen in public since his acquittal was when he helped rescue four people from an overturned vehicle following a roadway accident in suburban Orlando.

Road-rage killer of 2 truckers executed

Associated Press

HUNTSVILLE — A former financial analyst with a history of disruptive behavior was executed Wednesday for the road-rage shooting deaths of two truckers in the Dallas area 15 years ago.

Douglas Feldman, 55, received lethal injection for gunning down Robert Everett, 36, of Marshfield, Mo., and Nicholas Valesquez, 62, of Irving.

Feldman mimicked the announcement a judge or jury makes when announcing a verdict, using the names of his victims and declaring he had found them guilty of crimes against him.

"I have sentenced them both to death. I personally carried out their executions," he said in a loud voice, adding that he carried out their executions in August 1998.

"As of that time, the state of Texas has been holding me illegally in confinement and by force for 15 years," Feldman said. "I hereby protest my pending execution and demand immediate relief."

He appeared very nervous, breathing quickly and his feet twitching under a sheet. As the drug began taking effect, he grimaced twice, took a few deep breaths and began snoring. Then all movement stopped.

Feldman was pronounced dead 13 minutes after the lethal drug was injected at 6:28 p.m. CDT.

Feldman's attorney, Robin Norris, filed a clemency petition with the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles that was turned down Monday. Multiple courts, including the U.S. Supreme Court, earlier rejected his appeals on Feldman's behalf.

Fort Bliss wants El Paso to better market itself

By Juan Carlos Llorca
Associated Press

FORT BLISS — A West Texas Army post wants El Paso's help in combatting a negative perception of the city that's deterring top military talent from seeking an assignment here.

Before coming to El Paso, soldiers "think schools are terrible, that there is a lot of crime, that it's just desert," Fort Bliss spokesman Maj. Joe Buccino told The Associated Press. "The school district should advertise it better, local businesses should advertise it better."

And that is going to be one of the main points Fort Bliss' commander, Maj. Gen. Sean MacFarland, drives home today when he delivers his "state of the military" address before business and political leaders as well as hundreds of city residents. The post has sold about 900 tickets to the luncheon event.

"This event represents the first opportunity for Maj. Gen. MacFarland to share with the community his vision of Fort Bliss' partnership with El Paso," Buccino said. MacFarland became commanding officer in May and this will be the first time he delivers a major address to El Paso residents.

The city for years has battled an image problem largely stemming from the violence in neighboring Ciudad Juarez in Mexico, just across the Rio Grande. As Ciudad Juarez took on the infamous title of deadliest city in the hemisphere, El Paso officials have taken every available opportunity to remind people that their city has the lowest crime rate for any U.S. city with a population of more than 500,000, according to the annual City Crime Rankings by CQ Press, a research publishing firm.

For instance, El Paso recorded 16 murders in 2011 and just five in 2010. By comparison, Detroit had 344 in 2011 and just over 300 the year before. When it comes to assaults, El Paso averaged about 2,180 annually in recent years, a number that's also an improvement over similarly sized cities.

But the city's reputation also has taken a hit because of problems with El Paso schools.

The El Paso Independent School District saw its superintendent sentenced to 3 1/2 years in federal prison for masterminding a district-wide cheating scheme to fraudulently improve standardized test scores in order to secure performance bonuses.

Lorenzo Garcia's actions caused the district's rating to improve from "academically acceptable" in 2005 to "recognized" in 2010 — the second-highest rating possible. The Texas Education Agency later placed the district on probation and replaced the board of trustees with a board of managers, one of the last resources before shutting down a district.

"I guess we could do more marketing," said Jim Steinhauser, assistant superintendent for research and evaluation for the district. "Parents should be able to look at a district and learn what is available and we are not advertising it very well."

"But as far as the schools not being good, that is not true," Steinhauser said. The district has advanced placement courses, an international baccalaureates program and its students can take early college classes in high school. "People need to realize that in public schools, you can go and get a bad education or a very good education, it's up to you."

Renee DeSantos, spokeswoman for the school district, said that it "has strengthened policies and procedures to ensure that the illegal actions of the past do not happen again."

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stand what political benefit there could be to keeping the bill off the call.

"This is something that would benefit essentially every region of our state," Howard said. "As far as I can see, it's a win-win all around, including for the governor."

But not every member is excited by the prospect of passing tuition revenue bonds. "We just don't need to be putting Texans in more debt," said state Rep. Van Taylor, R-Plano. "Texans already endure one of the highest levels of debt when you take into account city, county and school debt load. This is just more, and we don't need it."

Local impact

$48 million for a UT Permian Basin engineering building and $17 million for a Texas Tech University academic facility in the Permian Basin were included in SB 3, filed by state Sen. Kel Seliger on Tuesday.

Rumors have been circulating in the Capitol that if a TRB bill were to surface, there could be attempts to add controversial language allowing people with concealed handgun permits to carry weapons in college and university buildings.

Zaffirini, who opposes the proposal, said she had heard such speculation, but did not believe a "campus carry" amendment would be germane to a TRB bill.

It's also possible that the governor could opt to add "campus carry," which has also struggled to gain traction in recent regular sessions, as a distinct item on the call, easing its entry into the special session conversation. State Sen. Brian Birdwell, R-Granbury, sent Perry a letter on Tuesday asking that he do just that.

"I know you share my concern that law-abiding Texans are being stripped of their God-given, constitutional right to self defense simply because they have stepped foot on a college campus," Birdwell wrote.

Pat Sullivan/AP

A visitor leaves the back entrance to the beer can house, a Houston landmark, July 10. Former owner John Milkovisch covered the outside on the house with siding made of cut and flattened beer cans and garlands made from the lids. The Orange Show Center for Visionary Art, a local nonprofit that preserves art installations in the city, bought the property about 10 years ago, restored the house and it opened it to the public.

Beer by beer, home morphs into landmark

By Ramit Plushnick-Masti
Associated Press

HOUSTON — A child of the Great Depression, John Milkovisch didn't throw anything away — not even the empty cans of beer he enjoyed each afternoon with his wife.

If you go

What: Beer can house
Where: 222 Malone St., Houston
Online: http://www.beercanhouse.org/visit.php
Hours: Open Saturday-Sunday, noon- 5 p.m. year-round, and Memorial Day to Labor Day Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and Saturday-Sunday, noon-5 p.m.
Admission to Beer Can House grounds: $2.
Guided tours including inside of house: $5.

So, in the early 1970s when aluminum siding on houses was all the rage, he lugged down the cans he had stored in his attic for years, painstakingly cut open and flattened each one and began to wallpaper his home.

"The funny thing is that it wasn't ... to attract attention," said Ruben Guevara, head of restoration and preservation of the Beer Can House in Houston's Memorial Park area. "He said himself that if there was a house similar to this a block away, he wouldn't take the time to go look at it. He had no idea what was the fascination about what he was doing."

Milkovisch passed away in the mid-1980s, but his wife, Mary, still lived there. Her sons would do work from time to time, replacing rusty steel cans with new ones and restoring a hurricane-destroyed beer wall. And when they feared for her safety because of the gawkers, they put up a privacy fence, embedding beer cans in that as well.

The neighborhood has rapidly transformed since Mary Milkovisch's death in the mid-1990s, going from a working middle-class area to today's condo- and loft-lined upper-class sector. But the home remains a well-known entity.

Determined to preserve this accidental piece of folk art, local nonprofit Orange Show Center for Visionary Art bought the property about 10 years ago, began a careful restoration of the house and opened it to the public.

"It shows the human nature of the individual is supreme. You can take the simplest thing, and it can actually affect a lot of other people," said Houston resident Patrick Louque, who lived in the area when it was John Milkovisch's pet project. "It's totally grabbed me, and it's probably totally grabbed the imagination of more people than I could possibly imagine."

Milkovisch began redecorating the home's exterior in earnest in 1968, when he purchased a metal canopy for his backyard so he and his wife could have some shade while drinking their afternoon beers. Fed up with lawnmowing, he began installing concrete blocks throughout the yard, embedding them with marbles he had collected as a boy.

The back wall of the canopied area became a cacophony of colors — sunlight playing tricks as it shone through the beer bottles and marbles.

Then, he moved on to the side and the front, using long-collected materials and gathering discarded items from the railroad track nearby, where he worked as an upholsterer refurbishing rail cars. Lugging home the things he wanted in a satchel or a wheelbarrow he inherited from his father, Milkovisch would spend a few hours each day outside, where his wife — who barred him from doing too much to the interior — had given him free rein.

"He used cans, bottles, marbles, redwood," Guevara said. "He drank a lot of beer, him and Mary, and he collected all the beer cans that he would drink. He stored them because he knew he was going to use them, but he didn't know for what."

A lot of beer it was, too. The art center estimates Milkovisch had 50,000 cans that piled up by drinking a six-pack daily over the span of 20 years. For 17 months, working from bottom to top, Milkovisch coated the home with cans of Budweiser, Texas Pride, Shiner — really, whatever brand was on sale. He created long, decorative garlands from beer can tops and hung them along the eaves at the front and sides of his home.

"The front of the house, when that went up, that's when all the buzz began," Guevara said, referring to the garlands that nearly hide the entire front porch and door.

People would drive by, slow down, stare and honk. Often, they would stop and ask questions. So, Milkovisch would do what came most naturally to him.

Invite them in for a beer.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Jose L. Alvarado, 21, of Midland, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of marijuana between 4 ounces and 5 pounds.

Texas D. Bennett, 51, of Midland, was arrested Tuesday on a third or more charge of driving while intoxicated.

Alexandro P. Dominguez, 25, of Midland, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of violation of parole.

John E. Holmes, 50, of Midland, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of assault on a family or household member by impeding breathing.

Joshua M. Junker, 17, of Midland, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of assault on a family or household member by impeding breathing.

Angela K. McCoy, 31, of Midland, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of abandoning or endangering a child with criminal negligence.

Gabriel A. Salgado, 28, of Midland, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of burglary of a habitation.

Heriberto Sauceda, 20, of Midland, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of marijuana between 4 ounces and 5 pounds.

Freddie E. Stricklin Jr., 28, of Midland, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance between 1 and 4 grams.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

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						6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KMID	ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Wipeout "Big Balls of the Caribbean" (N)		Motive "Undertow" (N)		Rookie Blue "Friday the 13th" (N)		KMID News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live		(:35) News Nightline
KOSA	CBS	7	7	7	7	7	7 News	Ent. Tonight	Big Bang Theory	Two and Half Men	Big Brother "Eviction Show" (N)		Elementary "One Way to Get Off"		CBS 7 News	(:35) David Letterman		(:35) Late Late (N)
KWWT	CW	5	14	.	5	14	Sein. "The Boyfriend"	Rules "Mr. Fix It"	Young Hollywood Awards "2013" Honoring Hollywood's rising stars. (N)				Cops	Sein. "The Hot Tub"	Rules of Engage.	'70s "Fun It"	King of Queens	'Til Death
KPEJ	FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Glee "Girls (and Boys) on Film"		New Girl	Mindy Project	The Simpsons	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Loves Ray	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	
KMLM	IND	11	11	12	11	11	Dr. Rik Wadge	It' Itzhak Shapira	Update News	Fruits of Zion	Light of the Southwest				Joe McGee	Matt Staver	Called Out	Thurman Scrivner
KWES	NBC	9	9	9	9	9	News-West 9	Be Millionaire	The Winner Is "Million Dollar Shock"		Winner Is "Million Dollar Temptation" (N)		Hwood Game Night "Purr-ty People" (N)		News-West 9	(:35) Tonight Leno	Show J. Casey Affleck (N)	(:35) LateNight
KPBT	PBS	13	13	.	13	8	PBS NewsHour		Daytrip-pers	Just Seen It	Frontline		Antiques Roadshow "Vintage Richmond"		Charlie Rose (N)	BBC News		Tavis Smiley
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HBOS		304	70	16	102	.	(6:40) ★ The Bourne ...		The Sopranos		The Newsroom		The Newsroom		The Newsroom		Bill Maher	
MAX		380	71	17	120	24	(5:45) ★ The American				★★ Doctor Dolittle		StrikeBk	(:50) Strike Back		LifeTop	LifeTop	Movie
MAX2		382	72	18	122	.	(:20) ★ Journey 2: The Mysterious Island						★ I Still Know What You Did...		Lingerie	(:15) ★ ★ Showgirls	Elizabeth Berkley.	
PLEX		.	.	96	.	25	(:15) ★ ★ Casper ('95, Com) Christina Ricci.						★ She Gets What She Wants		(:35) ★ The Bread, My Sweet		(:20) ★ Worth Win...	
SHOW		320	66	19	140	25	(:00) ★ ★ Man on a Ledge						★★ Ransom ('96, Susp) Mel Gibson.		Polyamor	Therapy	★★ Saw	
TMC		336	67	22	155	26	(5:20) ★ Mean Girls		★★★★ Do the Right Thing				★★★ Clockers ('95, Dra) Harvey Keitel.				(:10) ★ A Brooklyn...	
A&E		27	32	28	35	47	The First 48 "Night Shift/ Mobbed"		Beyond Scared Straight		Beyond Scared Straight		Beyond Scared Straight (N)		Beyond Scared Stra. "Douglas County, GA"		Beyond Scared Straight	
AMC		40	21	23	42	51	Return to Lonesome Dove Pt. 2 of 2								★★★ Wild Bill ('95, West) Jeff Bridges.			
BET		58	26	.	40	.	106&Park	★★ All About the Benjamins ('01, Act) Ice Cube.					★★ Above the Rim Duane Martin.				Wendy Williams	
BRAVO		65	63	.	41	.	Miami	(:45) House Miami		(:45) House Miami		(:45) House Miami		(:45) Miami	Watch (N)	Property	Interior "The Castle"	
CNBC		46	45	.	39	72	The Kudlow Report		American Greed		Mob Money		American Greed		Mad Money		Mob Money	
CNN		43	24	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		CNN Films "Our Nixon"				OutFront		Films "Our Nixon"	
DISC		50	20	31	24	42	Airplane Repo		Airplane Repo		PropWars	PWars (N)	Airplane Repo (N)		PropWars	PropWars	Airplane Repo	
DISNEY		56	27	36	25	36	A.N.T.	Jessie	Dog Blog	Austin	GoodLuck	Shake Up	Dog Blog	Gravity	Jessie	A.N.T.	GoodLuck	GoodLuck
ESPN		32	29	48	31	30	(5:00) SportsCenter		This Is Sportscenter		X Games "Los Angeles" (L)						SportsCenter	
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FAMILY		53	54	34	42	33	(5:30) ★ From Aimee Teegarden.				★★★ The Princess Diaries ('01, Fam) Julie Andrews.				The 700 Club		Fresh P.	Fresh P.
FNC		45	58	53	23	55	FOX Report		The O'Reilly Factor		Hannity		On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		Hannity	
FOOD		64	59	27	68	54	Chopped "Class Acts"		Chopped		Chopped		Chef Wanted (N)		Food Network Star		Chopped	
FSSW		37	43	50	45	29	MLB Baseball Arizona Diamondbacks vs. Texas Rangers Site: Rangers Ballpark -- Arlington, Texas (L)						Rangers Live (L)	Cowbo-ysTrain	Rangers Insider	SW Outdoors	Rodeo RodeoHouston Wildcard	
FX		31	31	59	64	69	(5:30) ★★★ Iron Man 2 Robert Downey Jr...				Anger M.	Anger M.	Wilfred	Wilfred	Wilfred	★★★ Zombieland		
HALLMARK		54	49	58	.	34	Little House Prairie		★ The Sweeter Side of Life Kathryn Morris.				Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV		63	50	26	48	44	House	HouseH	Rehab	Rehab	Renovation Raiders		HouseH	House (N)	HouseH	House	Renovation Raiders	
HISTORY		71	62	29	50	43	Pwn Star	Pawn Star	Pwn Star	Pwn Star	PawnSt.	PawnSt.	Hatfield & McCoy (N)		Pwn Star	Pwn Star	Pwn Star	Pwn Star
LIFETIME		28	25	25	28	48	Wife Swap		Wife Swap		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced	
MSNBC		47	51	.	49	73	Hardball		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow	
NBCSN		38	39	.	.	.	P.World	Shark Hunters			Shark Hunters	Saltwater	Saltwater	Into Blue	ARCA Auto Racing			
NICK		55	34	39	34	37	★ Fred 3: Camp Fred			Hathaway	F.House	F.House	Nanny	Nanny	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE		30	22	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Impact Wrestling (N)				Fight Masters		Tattoo	Tattoo
SYFY		66	64	41	57	67	SG-1 "Abyss"		SG-1 "Heroes"		SG-1 "Heroes"		SG-1 "Lost City"		SG-1 "Lost City"		Stargate: SG-1	
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CABLE

Navajo Nation supports NM horse slaughterhouse

By Jeri Clausing
Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — The Navajo Nation is jumping into the emotional and divisive fray over a return to domestic horse slaughter, drafting a letter to federal officials in support of a New Mexico company's plan to begin exporting horse meat next week.

The tribe's support for Valley Meat Co. comes one week after Robert Redford and former Gov. Bill Richardson joined the opposite side of the debate, saying, among other reasons, that they were "standing with Native American leaders" to protect cultural values.

But Erny Zah, spokesman for Navajo President Ben Shelly, said Wednesday that the nation's largest Indian reservation can no longer support the estimated 75,000 feral horses that are drinking wells dry and causing ecological damage to the drought-stricken range.

"It's a sensitive subject to begin with because horses are considered sacred animals, so you just can't go out and euthanize them," Zah said. "That would go too far against cultural conditions. At the same time we have a bunch of horses that no one is caring for, so it's a delicate balance."

Because of the horse overpopulation, the tribe already is rounding up and selling wild horses, Zah said. Some of those, he said, end up being shipped to Mexico.

Supporters of a return to domestic horse slaughter argue it is a more humane solution than shipping unhealthy and starving animals to facilities south of the border for slaughter under unregulated and often cruel circumstances.

The National Congress of American Indians, representing tribes across the country, is also lobbying in support of Valley Meat Co., saying overgrazing by feral horses is causing serious environmental and ecological damage.

On Monday, Valley Meat in Roswell and another recently approved horse slaughterhouse in Iowa are scheduled to become the first facilities in the country to legally slaughter horses since Congress effectively banned the practice seven years ago. That ban was lifted in 2011.

Apparent arsonists hit Valley Meat Co. over the weekend, damaging the company's refrigeration system. Owner Rick De Los Santo said he can't operate without it, but he won't know until Friday how extensive the damage is and whether it can be fixed by Monday.

De Los Santos said his family and his business have been the target of threats over the past year as Valley Meat has fought the federal government for permission to operate.

Also Friday, a federal judge in Albuquerque is holding a hearing on a lawsuit by The Humane Society of the United States and other groups who contend that the Department of Agriculture failed to conduct the proper environmental reviews before issuing permits to slaughter horses.

The USDA also opposes horse slaughter. But after being sued by Valley Meat Co. for failing to act on its application, the agency said it was obligated to issue the permits under current law. However, the agency is lobbying for a ban on horse slaughter.

Meat from the slaughterhouses would be shipped to some countries for human consumption and for use as zoo and other animal food.

Photo credit

This April 15 file photo shows Valley Meat Co., which has been sitting idle for more than a year, waiting for the Department of Agriculture to approve its plans to slaughter horses. The Navajo Nation is jumping into the emotional and divisive fray over a return to domestic horse slaughter, drafting a letter to federal officials in support of a New Mexico company's plan to begin exporting horse meat next week.

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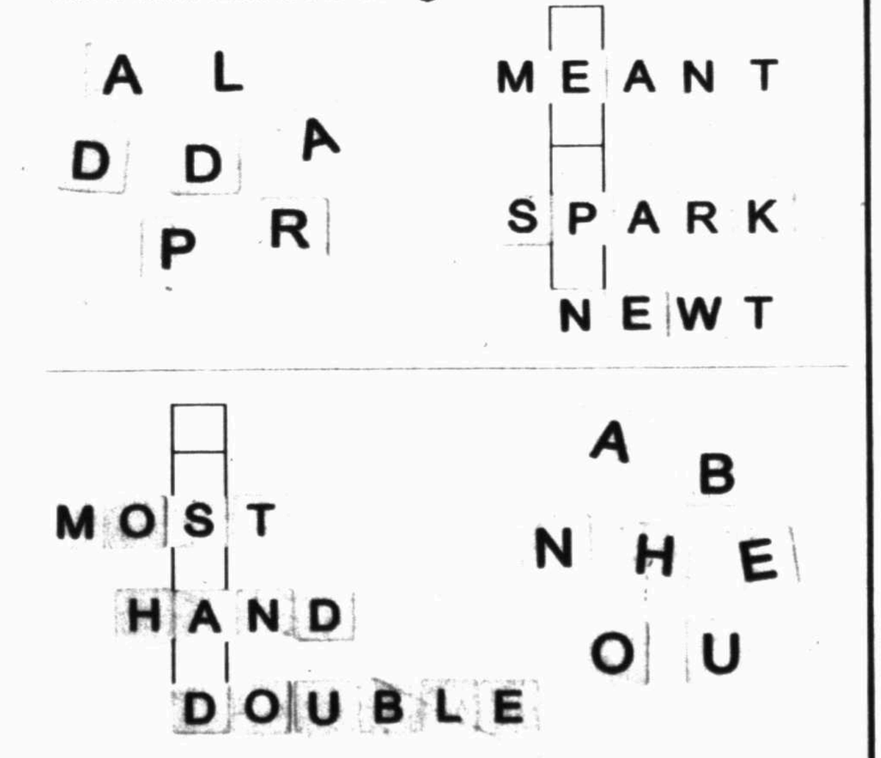

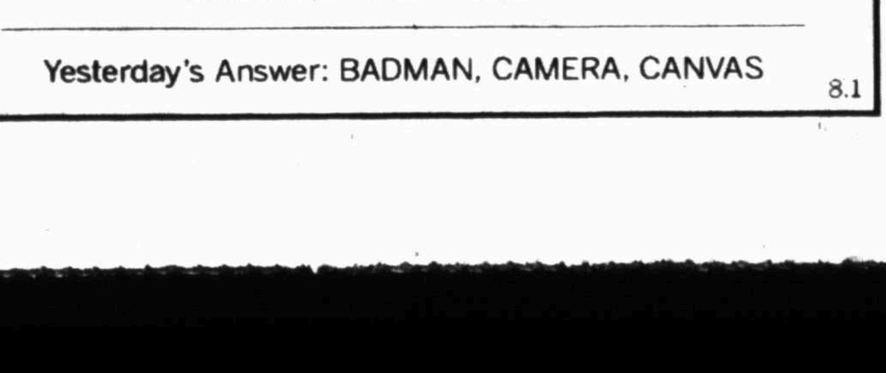

Yesterday's Answer: BADMAN, CAMERA, CANVAS

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DRILL

From 1B

gunshot wounds and other injuries. Law enforcement and emergency personnel then escorted the students to a large ambulance bus, which transported them to Midland Memorial Hospital to allow emergency room personnel to participate in the training exercise.

Midland High graduate Ian McLellan, 19, was one of the wounded students being carried across the campus. He said the drill was an interesting experience.

"You always have to be prepared for something like this," McLellan said.

In addition to other students and graduates, volunteers included teachers and ROTC personnel. They arrived at 7 a.m. for the 9 a.m. drill to get prepped with makeup that simulated gunshot wounds and other injuries, Colburn said.

He said the drill was staged to be "as realistic as possible," though an actual shooter situation would be more chaotic.

"We know that schools are extremely vulnerable because they are more or less open to the public," said Colburn, who cited shootings at Columbine High School, Sandy Hook Elementary School and an Aurora, Colo., movie theater as the reason behind the drill.

MISD, along with Midland Police Department, FBI, Texas Department of Public Safety and Midland County Sheriff's Office started planning the training in April, Colburn said.

The school district had a drill similar to this one at Midland Freshman High School on June 16, 2011. Coordinators wanted a different scenario and considered various situations, he said.

Meanwhile, Colburn said while there were minor communications glitches, the drill was marked by improved communication. There was increased coordination between media and law agencies' communications specialists, which promoted smoother radio traffic and response from the officers.

While a full debriefing will not take place until next week, Colburn said the participating agencies worked well together. And MPD Sgt. Alfredo Grimaldo, who acted as the public information officer for the drill, said everyone performed very well and the exercise went off "without a hitch."

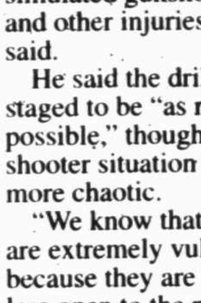
While many officers were running through the drill at Midland High, others were at the Midland Police Training Facility, off Farm-to-Market Road 307, engaging in a drill involving possible explosive devices. Grimaldo said that training exercise, which had officers encounter a barricaded subject and an armed subject, also went well.

Colburn said this type of drill likely will become an annual training exercise for MISD because of positive response from the participants.

Man arrested on theft charges

From staff reports

A Midland man was arrested Sunday for allegedly taking copper wire from a residence on separate occasions in May, according to court documents.



Durant

Casey Alexander Durant, 35, is being held on a $40,000 bond for two state felony charges of theft of materials such as aluminum, bronze and copper.

Midland County deputies initially responded to the thefts on May 28 in the 2400 block of Arbor Circle, where the homeowner told investigators he recorded Durant opening the gate to his backyard and taking the copper wire, according to the affidavit.

The thefts occurred between May 22 and May 30. The homeowner reported the theft of 300 feet of copper wire — valued at $5.99 per foot, for a total of $1,797.

Video camera footage shows two instances involving Durant, according to the affidavit. About 75 feet of wire, valued at $449.25, was taken on May 28 and about 50 feet of wire, valued at $299.50, was taken on May 30.

There were only two theft charges filed against Durant because he was caught on video camera twice, according to the investigating officer.

If convicted, Durant faces up to two years in prison for each charge.

Cody Duty/Houston Chronicle

Fans gather after officials unveiled the fully-restored, 1967 Star Trek Galileo ship at the Space Center Houston on Wednesday in Houston.

Restored Star Trek ship Galileo arrives in Houston

Associated Press

HOUSTON — When the smoke cleared and the music died down, Candy Torres could no longer contain herself. Looking at the shiny, restored Star Trek Galileo shuttlecraft sitting in Houston in all its TV glory, she broke down.

"All of a sudden I was just crying. I was in tears. I couldn't believe it," Torres said, donning a brown tourist engineer hat and a NASA mission operations shirt. "It meant something."

And Torres wasn't alone. Trekkies of all stripes arrived in Houston Wednesday for the momentous unveiling of the shuttlecraft that crash-landed on a hostile planet in the 1967 "Star Trek" episode called "The Galileo Seven." Some wore Scotty's Repair Shop T-shirts, others full-blown spandex outfits worn by Mr. Spock and his peers in the famous TV show and movies that have garnered a following so large and so devoted it is almost cult-like.

Adam Schneider paid $61,000 for the battered shuttlecraft in an auction and spent about a year restoring the fiberglass ship and making it look nearly as it did on that episode. He flew in from New York to mark the unveiling at the Space Center Houston, where it will be permanently displayed not far from NASA's Mission Control.

"Unbelievably proud," he said, beaming alongside the white shuttle. "Like sending your kid to college and having them get a job to build a successful life, because this was under our care for a year and we grew very attached.

Jeff Langston, 45, drove more than 160 miles from Austin with his two sons to see the moment. He and his 12-year-old son, Pearce, wore matching red Scotty's Repair Shop T-shirts. His 10-year-old son, Neo, couldn't find his shirt, but that didn't put a damper on the moment.

"It was very exciting," Neo said, bouncing on his feet. "When they filmed Star Trek the Galileo was cool and now that they remade it, it's cool to see a new version of the Galileo. And it's beautiful."

Karen Warren/Houston Chronicle

Jo Snyder pets one of several fawns that she is helping to rehab for the Friends of Texas Wildlife on July 24 in Magnolia, where they are overrun with wildlife being orphaned or injured because of explosive growth of Montgomery County.

Houston-area animal rehab center has growing needs

By Cindy Horswell
Houston Chronicle

MAGNOLIA — The motherless fawn peers with luminous brown eyes from behind a hay bale in a Montgomery County barn.

Eventually, the skittish fawn inches over to lick the outstretched hand of a volunteer who has been bottle-feeding the animal for weeks after a car struck and killed its mother.

The Houston Chronicle reports residents have brought a record 64 fawns — all orphaned by car strikes — to the Friends of Texas Wildlife in Magnolia to be nurtured until they can be released to survive on their own.

That represents more than a 50 percent increase from the number the center normally receives each year and is indicative of the huge 30 percent jump in injured and orphaned wildlife of all varieties pouring into the center.

"Montgomery County is growing so fast. Wildlife is being displaced, and animals aren't dealing with it well," said Jeanette Winkelmann, the center's president.

Lisa Wolling, the center's director and an animal rehabilitator, agreed, "Animals are being squeezed from their normal habitat. Roads are being built where they had not been before. People are moving to where animals once lived."

The booming development will only worsen with the loss of the Boy Scout's 70-year-old campgrounds, Camp Strake, she added. The camp, which covers 2,200 acres and includes six natural lakes, is under a pending contract with a real estate developer.

The CNN Money survey, which ranked this county as having the fourth best job market in the nation, noted Anadarko Petroleum is building a second skyscraper here for 1,700 workers while Exxon Mobil is busily constructing a 385-acre campus for 2,000 employees.

"We're growing exponentially," said the Montgomery County judge's chief of staff, Doris Golemon. "But we want to preserve the quality of nature and wildlife that we have here, too."

None of the other large state-permitted wildlife rehabilitators in East Texas have been as overrun with animals as the Montgomery County center. Wildlife Center of Texas in Brazoria County has seen only a slight uptick in wildlife submissions, and the Gulf Coast Wildlife Rescue in central Houston has seen an 18 percent hike, about half the jump as in Montgomery County, officials there report.

Matt Wagner, the state parks' wildlife division director, said rehabilitators must be trained before licensed by the state to treat and then release injured and orphaned wildlife back into the Texas landscape. But he stressed these groups receive no tax dollars and must find private money to do the job: "We get a lot of calls about hurting animals and we would have no place to put them without volunteer rehabilitators."

Because of the huge influx of critters, Winkelmann has already spent her entire budget for the year and is now having to scavenger for more. She hopes that she won't be forced to turn any helpless animals away.

"Fawns are the most expensive. They cost $1,000 each because you have to give them formula for three months and they drink a lot of it. It's like raising a little horse. Then they need apples, grapes and grain," she said.

She also has to buy a steady supply of mice that she feeds to her adult raptors — birds of prey — injured when they swoop down to retrieve a rodent from a roadway. These predators keep their eye on the prize and never notice the car barreling toward them at 60 miles per hour, she said.

Two red-tailed hawks — with massive wing spans, talons and sharp beaks — are just about ready for release after recuperating from their injuries, as are 13 small screech owls.

Most any native Texas wildlife can find a haven there.

While wildlife rehabilitation can be costly and time consuming, Winkelmann believes it's worth the effort to keep native wildlife from being completely driven out of Montgomery County.

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The Class Of 2026

Mark your kindergartner's first day of school in a big way with a free photo greeting!

The Midland Reporter-Telegram helps you celebrate the milestone with the Class of 2026 in a back-to-school souvenir supplement, publishing on August 15, 2013.

If your child is starting kindergarten this Fall, fill out the form below and return it to "KINDERGARTNER PICS" c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois, Midland, Texas 79701, no later than Friday, August 9, 2013.

One child will be randomly selected to win a $50 Kohl's gift card for new school clothes and a backpack full of school supplies! The winner will be notified on August 14, 2013 & will be featured in the Sunday edition on August 18, 2013.

Child's Name: _____
Parent's/ Guardian's Name: _____
Child's Age: _____
Phone: _____
School child will attend: _____
I can't wait to learn about: _____
_____
When I grow up, I want to be: _____
_____

Please enclose a photo of your child (head & shoulders only) suitable for the souvenir edition. Print child's name on back of photo. Do not staple photo to form. Photos will not be returned unless a self-addressed, stamped envelope is enclosed. Photos can be picked up at the Midland Reporter-Telegram until Friday, August 30, 2013. Any unclaimed photos will be destroyed.

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TODAY: Sunny High: 100 Low: 77

FRIDAY: Sunny High: 104 Low: 78

SATURDAY: Sunny High: 101 Low: 76

Local forecast

Expect sunny skies today with a high around 100 and calm winds becoming southeast around 5 mph in the afternoon. Tonight's forecast calls for a low around 77.

Friday, look for sunny skies with a high around 104.

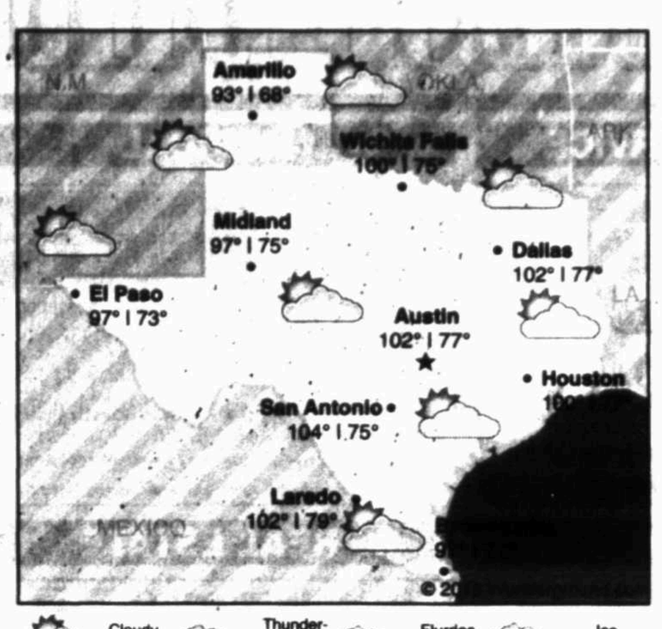
Saturday, the forecast calls for sunny skies during the day, a high around 101 and a low around 76. There is no rain in the seven-day forecast.

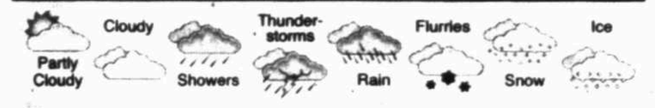
The high on Wednesday reached 98, while the low dropped to 78. The record high for July 31 is 105 set in 1944. The record low is 60 set in 1971.

Weather why

Q: How many volts are in a lightning bolt?

A: One bolt can contain hundreds of millions of volts of electricity, Brent McRoberts, of Texas A&M University, said. "That's why lightning can be such a killer — it is extremely powerful. Between 1979 and 2008, an average of 58 U.S. residents were killed by lightning each year. Worldwide, there are about 2,000 thunderstorms at any given moment, causing 100 lightning strikes per second.





Precipitation

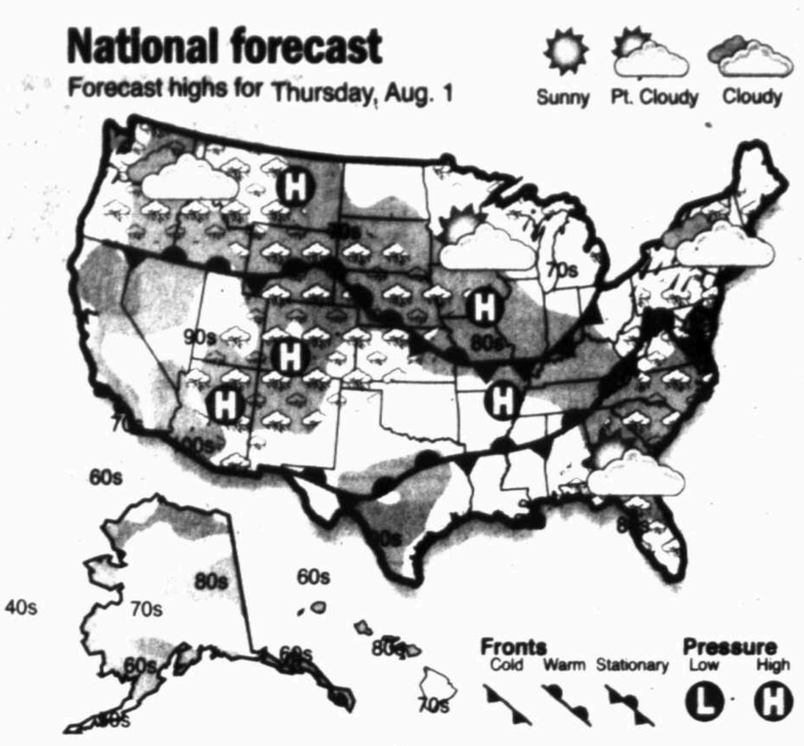
Tuesday	0.00 in.
Wednesday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.98 in.
Year total	3.39 in.
Normal total (year to date)	7.88 in.

Wednesday's temperatures

High	98
Low	78
Normal high	95
Normal low	70
Sunrise	7:04 a.m.
Sunset	8:45 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Thursday, Aug. 1



Pets on a plane often suffer rough rides through airport

DEAR ABBY

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

DEAR ABBY: I travel a lot in my work with animal protection. Often I'll encounter dogs and cats in distress as soon as I reach the airport. Distracted by their own thoughts, their owners seldom realize they're upsetting the pets they're carrying through the terminal.

Animal carriers are carelessly swung to and fro, banged against counters, chairs and onto the floor. Cat or dog shoulder bags are dangled at angles that make it impossible for the animal inside to balance. These poor pets can be confused, dizzy and suffer from motion sickness before the flight even takes off.

Traveling is stressful enough for animals. So please, everyone — if you fly with an animal companion, keep it foremost in your thoughts. Use a sturdy, well-ventilated carrier, preferably one with wheels, that's designed for animals and to fit under your seat. And please, keep the carrier upright and steady. — ANIMAL LOVER IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

DEAR ANIMAL LOVER: Thank you for the heads up. In case someone's pet might have other issues while traveling, it's always a good idea to talk about it with a veterinarian before embarking. (Sorry, I couldn't resist.)

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 19-year-old guy and for as long as I can remember my parents have yelled at me. It lasts for hours at a time at night after they come home from work almost every day. It's never about me doing something bad, but how I never do anything up to their expectations.

I don't know if they're right or wrong, but it makes me depressed and I have been thinking about suicide. I have never been able to have an opinion of my own because as soon as I had one my parents would yell at me all over again and call me "stupid and retarded."

I cry myself to sleep at night hoping God will put me to sleep forever. Please tell me what to do. — JUSTIN IN SAN FRANCISCO

DEAR JUSTIN: Verbal abuse — which is what you are describing — can be every bit as destructive as physical abuse. Perhaps it's time to consider moving out. With the constant verbal battering you're receiving, it's no wonder you're depressed.

Harming yourself is not the answer to your problem. Because you have reached the point of wanting to hurt yourself, call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. The number is 800-784-2433. A counselor there can direct you to the help you need. You may have to build your self-esteem from the ground up, but the effort will be well worth it. My thoughts are with you.

DEAR ABBY: A few months ago my mother joined Facebook and I readily accepted her friend request. I'm a 30-something IT specialist, but Mom is new to the Internet.

There are times I have gone online and seen posts in which my mother is arguing with my friends about their lifestyles. I have friends and business contacts from all over the world, and their backgrounds are highly varied as are their belief and value systems.

I have told Mom in private and public discussions that she owes someone an apology, but she shrugs it off.

Am I wrong for asking her to respect my friends, and would you suggest I "unfriend" my mother until she learns proper Internet etiquette? — DIGITAL FAMILY MAN

DEAR FAMILY MAN: Because what your mother is doing could negatively affect your business, you should do EXACTLY that. And quickly!

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Dig out the spade

Both vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ K J 3
♥ K 9 8 5 4
♦ K 4
♣ 8 7 2

WEST
♠ 9 6
♥ Q J 3
♦ Q J 8
♣ A K J 5 4

EAST
♠ Q 10 8 5 4
♥ Void
♦ 9 7 5 3 2
♣ 10 9 6

SOUTH
♠ A 7 2
♥ A 10 7 6 2
♦ A 10 6
♣ Q 3

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1	2♣	3♣	Pass
3	Pass	4	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: King of ♣

North's cue-bid of three clubs showed a limit raise or better in hearts. When South rebid hearts as cheaply as possible, North decided to proceed to game.

West cashed the king and ace of clubs, East following with the six and ten, and continued with a third club, declarer ruffing. Declarer led a low heart. West covered with the jack and East showed out after declarer played the king from dummy.

The obvious way for South to avoid a spade loser was to take the spade finesse, but declarer elected to find out more. Declarer cashed the king and ace of diamonds and ruffed a diamond on the table, both defenders following.

The early play had marked West with five clubs, at least six cards in the red suits and no more than two spades. West did not hold the queen of spades since he had already shown up with 14 high-card points.

Declarer led a spade to the ace and a spade back. Declarer shot up with the king, cashed the ace of hearts and exited with a trump to West's queen. West was forced to return a club, allowing declarer to ruff in one hand while discarding a spade from the other.

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Aug. 1, 2013:

This year you often wonder about the nature of your friendships and relationships. You will note that in general, they seem to have a quirky or unpredictable quality to them. Emphasize your long-term desires, but be willing to fulfill your goals in a less-traditional manner. If you are single, you could meet someone through a friend, or a friendship could become more. If you are attached, as a couple you might head in a new direction and love every moment of the change. GEMINI might appear to be a bit flaky, but he or she really is there for you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You might express a strong interest in someone's hobby or major interest. This person will be delighted to share more of this pastime with you. Just make sure that he or she doesn't misread your intention and take it in a way that would not be accurate. Tonight: With friends.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ What you might think is a good idea and an excellent investment will be the opposite of what a friend or loved one thinks. You could have a lot of conversations ahead, until you see eye to eye. You also will gain insight into this person. Tonight: Do some shopping on the way home.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ You will feel like blazing a new trail. Pressure builds around a particular part of your daily life. Relax, and work with others. Focus on a sudden turn of events. You might not believe what a friend decides to do. Take a step back and just observe. Tonight: Where the fun is.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Your ability to move past a hassle marks the day. You also seem to be more sensitive to others, and you know when to take action or pull back. Use your instincts and your creativity, especially when dealing with an unpredictable boss or relative. Tonight: Lighten up the moment.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Let go of a problem. If you keep your eye on the big picture, you will not make a mistake. Someone's response could encourage a pause in your day, as you'll need to rethink a situation. Tonight: Open up to different thinking.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ You could be taken aback by a partner or loved one's reaction. Take some time to rejuvenate as you carefully consider where he or she is come from. This person keeps you from being locked into your own way of thinking. Tonight: Others remain responsive when you call.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Keep reaching out for new information. The more you know, the better you will be able to handle a situation. Make a call to someone at a distance; you could get a fresh perspective from this person. You also respect his or her judgment. Tonight: Get ready for a surprise.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ You'll want to understand where someone else is coming from. You could be taken aback by a series of independent and erratic actions. You also might want to see a situation differently. A discussion with a close associate will result in a change of attitude. Tonight: Be spontaneous.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ Defer to others, and you'll find out what is needed in order to balance someone's demands. Sometimes this person makes sense to you, but he or she has a tendency to do the unexpected. Ask questions if need be. Tonight: Observe a loved one's spontaneous behavior.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Listen well to news, and be open to a different approach. An element in the way you structure your day could be subject to change. At first, you might feel uneasy about this, but eventually you'll see the positive benefits of the alteration. Tonight: Run some errands.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ While everyone might seem very serious and determined, you'll have an open mind for the possibility of a change. You also could see many more benefits and positive outcomes than others do. A new friendship could be a source of excitement. Tonight: Let the good times roll.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ You'll need to deal with an important financial matter; try not to shake up the status quo in a negative way. Taking a risk might be OK now, if you can sustain a loss. Only you know for sure. A family matter or personal issue dominates the moment. Tonight: Happiest at home.

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BORN TODAY

Musician Jerry Garcia (1942), guitarist Robert Cray (1953), U.S. national anthem creator Francis Scott Key (1779)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Easy job
9 EMS destination
13 Extremely puffed-up quality
14 Poker starter
15 Choice words for gamblers
17 As per
18 Highway sign word
19 Often-farmed fish
21 Monocle, essentially
23 "Spring ahead" abbr.
24 Ones falling in alleys
25 See 47-Across
27 Misfortune
28 Network offering home improvement advice
29 "... they've canceled my blood type": Bob Hope
32 Honey in Dijon?
33 Choice words for super-patriots
37 Geraint's wife
38 Trattoria preference
39 In-flight display no.
40 Geraint's title
41 Rig
45 Pair
47 With 25-Across, wine
48 Mountain topper
49 Warrior in "Rashomon"
51 Queen's consort
54 Has been
55 Choice words for anglers
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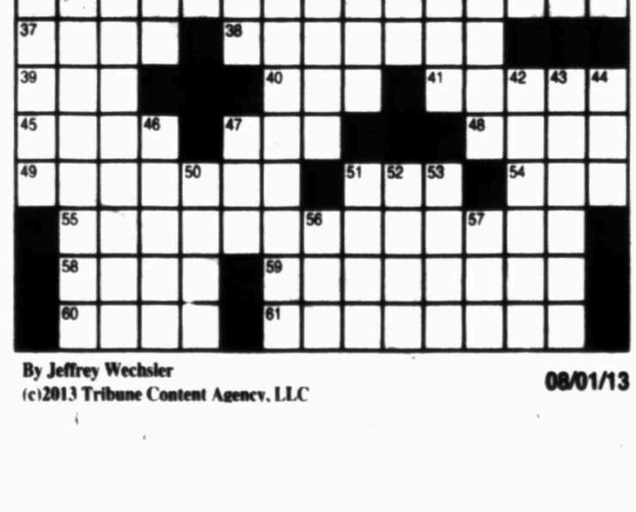

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UTPB looks for approval to field a football team

BY Mike Whitson
Odessa American

ODESSA — Could the same level of excitement that can be felt under the Friday night lights at Ratliff Stadium be duplicated under the hot West Texas sun on a Saturday afternoon?

That's just one of the questions UTPB is exploring as it develops a plan to add NCAA Division II football to its lineup of athletics.

UTPB is preparing a proposal for the University of Texas System and its Board of Regents with hopes of getting approval to field a team in Odessa for the 2015 season.

"Community supporters of the university have wanted to have football for a long time," said UTPB president David Watts, who recalls being asked about adding the sport 12 years ago when he interviewed for his position. "We've been exploring the idea for some time. We looked at how our athletic program has developed as a whole and we think that we're ready.

"What we're doing right now is a feasibility study. Is this something that's feasible? Workable? Affordable? And a key component of that feasibility is do we have a place to play?"

That hurdle was cleared Tuesday night when the Ector County Independent School District's board voted unanimously to approve a resolution of support for the proposed team, which would allow the Falcons to play home games at Ratliff Stadium.

UTPB received similar support from the Odessa Chamber of Commerce earlier this summer.

"It's one step in demonstrating that our plans for UTPB to develop football are feasible," Watts said. "It will go into our study and when it's presented to the University of Texas System, it will be one more element that we will have closed the loop on in terms of is this really a workable plan?"

UTPB athletic director Steve Aicinena said since the school restarted the athletic program in 1994 with the addition of volleyball, starting a football program has been among the most revisited topics of conversation.

"The university started with a very limited sports program, and frankly when we started the program I had no real idea that we would have the program we currently do. It has grown way beyond what we envisioned when we started it," said Aicinena, who along with coaching the volleyball team oversees 12 other sports as athletic director.

"One of the things that we've said the last few years is that

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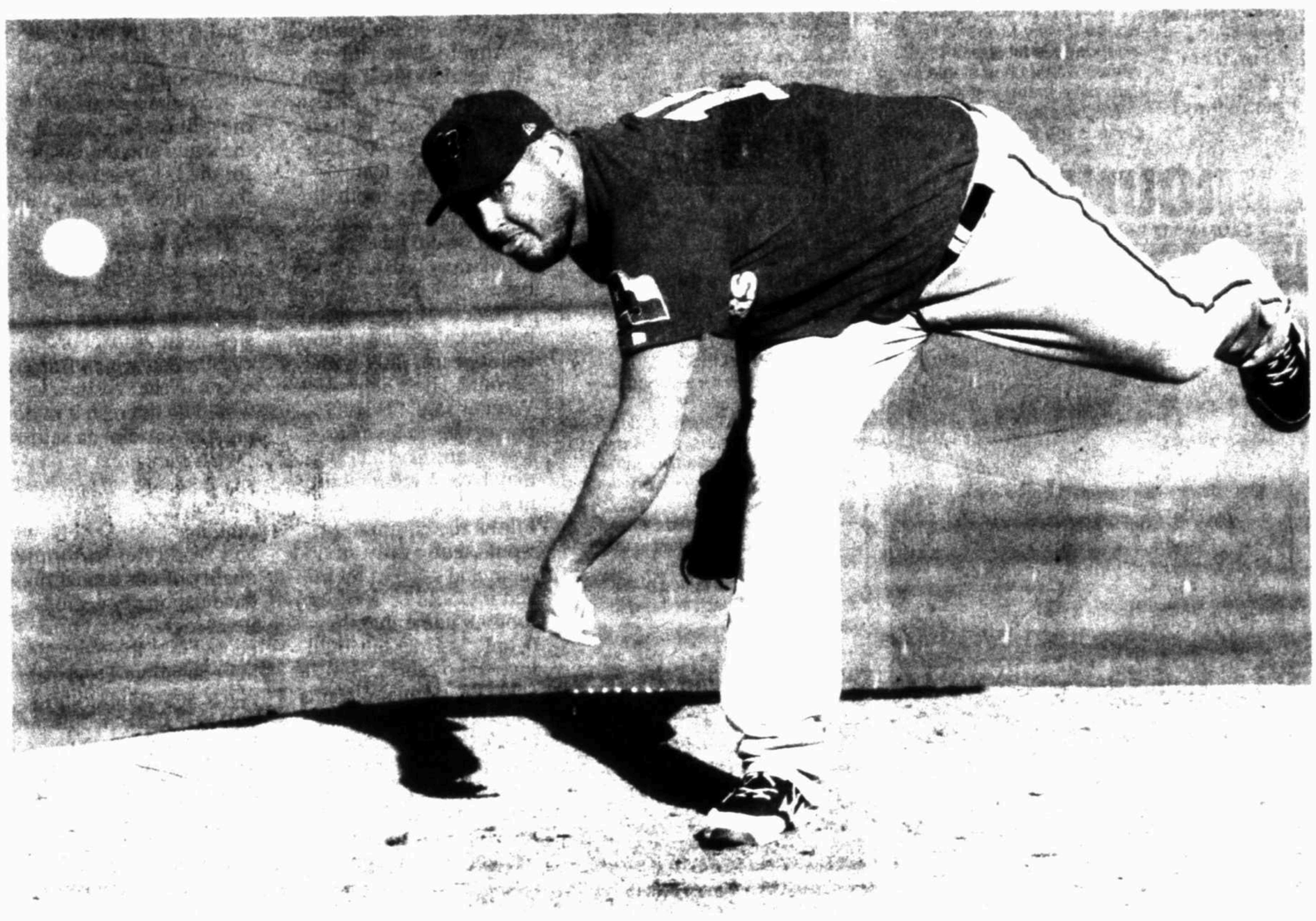
Harrison feeling good



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Frisco's Matt Harrison pitches against the Rockhounds Wednesday at Citibank Ballpark. The Texas Rangers pitcher is on a rehab assignment pitching for the RoughRiders. Harrison pitched 1 1/3 innings for Frisco in a 2-1 victory.

Texas pitcher buoyed by rehab start vs. 'Hounds

By Oscar LeRoy
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Matt Harrison admitted that at one point after having two surgeries to repair a herniated disc in his back, he wasn't sure if he would make it back with the Texas Rangers this season.

After Wednesday's rehab start against the Midland RockHounds at Citibank Ballpark, Harrison said he feels better about his chances.

The 6-foot-4, 250-pound left-hander started for the Frisco RoughRiders and went 1 1/3 scoreless innings with two hits, one walk and two strikeouts in a no decision of a 2-1 victory over the RockHounds. He exited the game after throwing 31 pitches (18 for strikes) and with runners at the corners after allowing a single to Tyler Ladendorf and walking Beau Taylor.

"Everything went pretty good," Harrison said. "The getting up and down, the warming up, went pretty good. I got a little tired, arm-wise in that second inning. I threw a lot of pitches in the first. But overall I think I felt pretty good, got rid of the dead arm and I'm just going to get ready for my next start. But I've still got a long ways to go before I'm ready."

Harrison, the Opening Day starter for the Rangers, knew beforehand that he would only throw about 30 pitches in his first game back since being placed on the disabled list on April 10. He lost his first two starts of the season — against the Houston Astros and the Los Angeles Angels — before a lower back strain sidelined him indefinitely.

Then came the two surgeries and some tough moments mentally while he was at home recovering.

"I guess I was in a mode of depression for a while just sitting at home and just having to sit on the couch for three weeks, except for going to get something to eat or going for my checkups. It was tough," he said.

Even though it was a short outing, Harrison said that other than the time he went back to see his teammates in the Rangers' clubhouse following his surgeries, Wednesday's start was huge for his psyche. He added that's when he realized he may have a chance to make it back to big leagues before the season is over.

"I would say at this point I'm ahead of schedule, probably a

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Midland's Darwin Perez prepares to throw to first base for an out during the first inning against Frisco on Wednesday at Citibank Ballpark.

Jim Cowsert/AP

Texas' Adrian Beltre (29) heads up the first base line after hitting the game-winning home run as teammates Elvis Andrus, left, and Leonys Martin, right, run out of the dugout in celebration during the ninth inning of a game against the Los Angeles Angels on Wednesday in Arlington.

Texas sweeps Angels on 3rd game-ending home run

Rangers	2
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By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Adrian Beltre tossed off his batting helmet, covered his head with both hands and jumped into the middle of what has been a common scene this week for the Texas Rangers.

Beltre even came out of the celebration at home plate with his shirt hanging around his waist.

The homer by Beltre leading off the ninth gave the Rangers a 2-1 victory Wednesday night over the Los Angeles Angels, completing a three-game series sweep in which Texas won each on game-ending home runs.

"Being able to walk off three times in a row, and our offense has been the reason why we struggled the last few weeks, and our offense is getting a lot better," Beltre said.

"And it starts with me. I haven't been swinging the bat real well, hitting in the middle of the lineup and not doing my job, but the last couple of games have been better and hopefully it creates that for everybody."

There was no doubt about another dramatic victory for the Rangers when Michael Kohn (1-1) left a 2-2 pitch over the middle of the plate. Beltre hit it deep into the left-field seats for his 23rd homer.

"It was supposed to be down and away, but I left it middle in," said Kohn, who didn't even have to turn around to know the ball was going over the wall.

Texas had been shut out in three of its previous four games, and swept at Cleveland last weekend, before having three consecutive games end on homers for the first time in team history.

"It's overwhelming really," manager Ron Washington said. "We just kept battling, and you know when we're at our best, this is what you get. Not

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Cowboys' Allen takes quiet path to Hall of Fame

By Schuyler Dixon
Associated Press

DALLAS — Larry Allen had just been drafted by the Dallas Cowboys when he found himself standing in front of a couple of hundred kids attending a football camp at Sonoma State, the alma mater that made his future Hall of Fame career possible.

His coach, Frank Scalercio, knew he was testing the best player he ever coached, coaxing the soft spoken but massive offensive lineman into a few words.

"Just say no," Allen blurted out.

That was it.

"I can see that nothing's going to happen, so then I jump in and kind of close it out for him real quick," Scalercio said. "Some of the guys still laugh about it today when they're around. They talk about the first speech he made."

Allen is getting ready for another one. A big one.

After 12 dominant seasons and a Super Bowl title with the Cowboys — and two final years closer to home with San Francisco — Allen's Pro Football Hall of Fame enshrinement speech Saturday night will be on national television in front of thousands of people at Fawcett Stadium in Canton, Ohio.

Plenty of family and friends will be there — but not his mother, Vera Allen. The woman responsible for steering him away from gangs as a kid in the Los Angeles area died a year ago. The biggest public speaking gig of his life would have been the perfect time to have her around.

"I miss her," Allen said. "Whenever I'd get nervous or had a big game and got nervous, I'd give her a call, and she'd start making me laugh."

The six-time All-Pro has already cried once over the Hall of Fame — the day his name was announced. He's not ashamed to say he'll probably cry again.

"She was one of the biggest reasons I'll be up there, and I know she'll be looking down on me," Allen said.

The soft side of Allen isn't a familiar one to former teammates and opponents.

This is a man who silently bench-

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Irwin Thompson/Dallas Morning-News

This Aug. 1, 2005 photo shows Larry Allen taking a knee in Oxnard, Calif. Allen will be inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio on Saturday.

HARRISON

From 1C

couple of weeks," he said. "I was looking to get back in September but things went well and the back healed up a little quicker than we thought it would. But I'm going to be honest with them. If something is wrong I'm going to shut it down because I don't want to risk having another surgery and basically risk my career."

Harrison, who has such an intimidating presence with his stare toward home plate and the body of a defensive end, got two strikeouts in the first inning but also allowed a chop single to third by D'Arby Myers.

After being pulled in the second inning by Frisco manager Steve Buechele following the walk to Taylor, Harrison showed his competitive nature with a look of disappointment.

"I wasn't upset that I was coming out. I was upset because I walked a guy," Harrison said. "But it's a grind and it's my first start back, so I wasn't expecting to be spot on with everything. I had a lot of deep counts and I hope to do a lot better the next start."

Harrison added that he didn't get into "baseball mode" until after the fourth batter he faced. After that, he said he realized what he was doing out there, he was able to calm himself down and make his pitches.

"I threw all my pitches today," he said. "I didn't throw any curveballs in the first inning but I threw a lot more in the second just to get them in. My slider has got a long ways to go. I haven't really thrown it much in my (bullpen sessions). It's my fourth pitch but it's something I need to have once I get up there. All my other pitches, it's just a matter of getting my command down."

Wednesday was a big first step for Harrison, who continues to hold out hope that he can be a contributor with the Rangers before the season is done and help them get to the postseason. Going into Wednesday's action, the Rangers were five games back of the Oakland A's in the American League West and four games back in the wild card standings.

"It would be great to be back up there, be with the team and do everything I can to help them win," Harrison said. "We have a great pitching staff right now and they've been doing a great job of giving the team a chance to win. That's the same thing I would want to do if I get the opportunity to get back up there. Right now I'm just cheerleading for those guys and cheering them on as much as I can until I can be part of the club. Hopefully I'll be ready to go in the next couple of weeks."

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'HOUND BITES: RockHound D'Arby Myers (2 for 4) extended his hit streak to 12 games with a chop single to third base in the first inning. ...Wednesday's winning run came in the top of the seventh when Hanser Alberto singled to right to score Odubel Herrera. ...RockHounds starter Drew Granier (2-5) took the loss after going 6 2/3 innings and allowing two runs on five hits with three walks and nine strikeouts. ...Phil Klein (4-0) got the win in relief and Lisalverto Bonilla picked up his second save of the season. ... Frisco took two out of three in the series, sending the RockHounds to a 1-7 record in this homestand.

TODAY'S PROBABLES: The RockHounds head to Corpus Christi to begin a four-game series at 7:05 p.m. as Midland is expected to start RHP Murphy Smith (8-7, 3.49 ERA) against Hooks RHP Nick Tropeano (5-7, 4.24).

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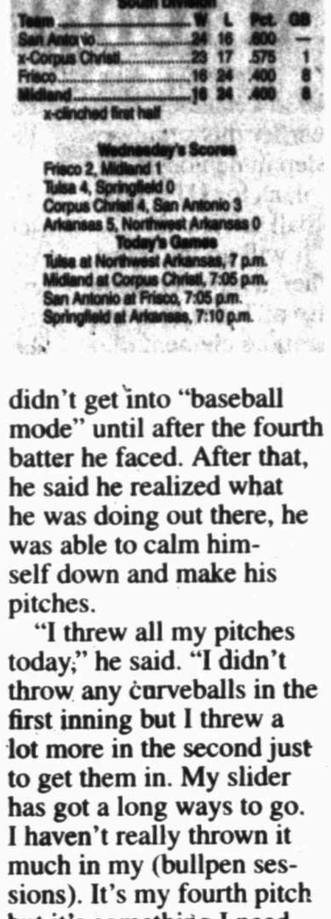

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ASTROS 11
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BALTIMORE — Rookie left-hander Brett Oberholtzer allowed three hits over seven innings to earn his first major league win, Jason Castro hit a grand slam and the Houston Astros beat the Baltimore Orioles 11-0 Wednesday night.

Matt Dominguez homered and had a career-high four hits for the Astros, who built a 9-0 lead in the fourth inning and coasted to their most lopsided victory of the season.

Oberholtzer (1-0) started after Erik Bedard was scratched with a sore shoulder. Making his fourth appearance and first start in the big leagues, Oberholtzer struck out six, walked none and did not let a runner get past first base.

Gail Burton/AP

Houston's Jason Castro watches the flight of his grand slam against the Baltimore Orioles in the fourth inning Wednesday, in Baltimore.

TIGERS 11
NATIONALS 1

DETROIT — Alex Avila and Torii Hunter hit homers in a five-run second inning and the Detroit Tigers scored five more runs in the fourth inning while routing Washington.

The AL Central-leading Tigers swept the two-game series. They have won five straight, the latest victory coming while star Miguel Cabrera was out of the lineup, a day after aggravating an injury.

BLUE JAYS 5
ATHLETICS 2, 10 INNINGS

OAKLAND, Calif. — Jose Bautista hit a go-ahead double in the top of the 10th inning, and the Toronto Blue Jays beat the Oakland.

Bautista doubled off Jesse Chavez (2-3). Rookie catcher Stephen Vogt's second costly passed ball of the game allowed Jose Reyes to advance after a leadoff infield single, and Reyes scored on Bautista's hit.

INDIANS 6
WHITE SOX 5, 10 INNINGS

CLEVELAND — Carlos Santana's leadoff home run in the 10th inning sent the Cleveland Indians over the Chicago White Sox for their seventh straight win.

Santana hit a 3-2 pitch from Dylan Axelrod (3-7) into the right field seats for Cleveland's ninth walkoff win of the season.

ROYALS 4
TWINS 3

MINNEAPOLIS — Alex Gordon hit a two-out triple in the seventh inning and then scored the go-ahead run for Kansas City on an error by Minnesota, and the Royals won their eighth straight game with a 4-3 victory over the Twins on Wednesday night.

The Royals are above .500 at the end of July for the first time since 2003. At 53-51, they are two games over the break-even mark for the first time since May 17. They remained seven games behind Detroit in the AL Central race and 4 1/2 games back of second-place Cleveland, the current holder of the second wild card spot.

National League

PIRATES 5
CARDINALS 4

PITTSBURGH — Russell Martin drove home Neal Walker with the go-ahead run in the eighth inning and the Pittsburgh Pirates rallied to beat the St. Louis Cardinals 5-4 Wednesday night.

Martin's sharp grounder off Trevor Rosenthal (1-2) rolled into left field, giving Walker enough time to score from second. The Pirates' fourth straight win over the Cardinals gave Pittsburgh a 2 1/2-game lead in the NL Central.

BRAVES 9
ROCKIES 0

ATLANTA — Mike Minor allowed only two hits in seven scoreless innings, Brian McCann hit a three-run homer in a seven-run third, and Atlanta beat Colorado for its sixth straight win.

Freddie Freeman drove in two runs with four hits as the Braves continued their offensive surge with 15 hits. The Braves have scored 29 runs while winning the first three games of the four-game series.

GIANTS 9
PHILLIES 2

PHILADELPHIA — Chad Gaudin threw seven sharp innings, Brett Pill and Brandon Crawford hit homers, and San Francisco snapped a five-game losing streak with the victory over Philadelphia.

The defending World Series champion Giants are last in the NL West. The Phillies entered 11 1/2 games out of first place and fell to nine back in the wild-card standings.

REDS 4
PADRES 1

SAN DIEGO — Homer Bailey came within two outs of a five-hit shutout to end his four-start losing streak and Cincinnati beat San Diego to snap a five-game skid.

Brandon Phillips homered and Joey Votto hit a two-run double for the Reds, who avoided a three-game sweep and ended the Padres' four-game winning streak.

MARLINS 3
METS 2

MIAMI — Jake Marisnick hit his first major league home run and Henderson Alvarez pitched into the eighth inning to lead Miami over New York.

Giancarlo Stanton and Placido Polanco also drove in a run each for the Marlins, who dropped the first two games of the four-game series with the Mets.

Interleague

DIAMONDBACKS 7
RAYS 0

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Wade Miley pitched two-hit ball into the seventh inning and Eric Chavez drove in three runs, leading the Arizona Diamondbacks over Tampa Bay.

Paul Goldschmidt hit his 24th homer, scored three runs and reached base four times. Cody Ross had three straight hits and drove in two runs as Arizona broke a three-game losing streak.

FOOTBALL

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it's going to really take a commitment from the community to make the dream of having a team a reality."

Kirk Edwards, who's been the driving force of spearheading that support, said the community response so far has been favorable.

"The primary purpose of my involvement is to hopefully get the community involved in helping to underwrite this in a way that the program can be assured of stability," Edwards said. "There are so many people in the Permian Basin that have done so well and have been very big supporters of football whether it is at the local high school level, college level or professional teams.

"Visiting with some of those people and going out to gauge their interest in giving back to this community and helping UTPB take one more step to grow, and they're all very interested in participating and helping that dream become a reality."

Angelo State University head football coach Will Wagner, who was a standout defensive back on Permian's 1991 state championship team, feels a college football program in the Permian Basin would have no problem generating a fan base.

"Odessa is a great football town and has a lot of history especially with Permian High School," Wagner said. "If someone comes in and starts a program like UTPB, they have a great facility in Ratliff Stadium and I think the community would really rally around them and support them and it would be another football game that the people in Odessa would love to go see."

UTPB's athletic teams participate in the Heartland Conference, which does not sponsor football.

Like fellow Heartland Conference member McMurry University in Abilene, UTPB could possibly play a Lone Star Conference football schedule against other Division II football members like Angelo State.

"I would think that all of our universities in the Lone Star, coaches as well, would love to have UTPB playing football in our conference," Wagner said. "It would give us another school here in Texas, help our situation with the limited amount of conference games that we do have and from a traveling standpoint would benefit all of our programs having that close of an opponent."

Edwards feels with the deep talent pool of West Texas football players to draw from, the program could thrive and be competitive relatively soon.

"I think we could have a tremendous product on the field," Edwards said. "We have great players from Odessa, Midland, Andrews, Seminole, Crane and all of these towns that have such great talent around us. For them to stay home and have people come out and watch them play from all these towns should be a great economic development and be just another added quality of life for West Texas to pursue on a fall afternoon."

Now the university must finish and submit the study and then wait for the UT system to either approve or deny their request.

UTPB hopes to have an answer by the end of 2013.

"It would have a significant impact on the enrollment, which frankly is one of the reasons we would be interested in doing that," Aicinena said. "We have a great university here. We've received several very flattering rankings from U.S. News and World Report for the quality of our education, have nationally accredited programs and offer people just an outstanding education. Football is just something I think will help draw people here so they can take advantage of the positive academic experience they would be afforded.

"Whether or not this dream comes to reality in the near future is not something I can directly control, but we're doing the best we can to see if it's at all possible."

Roma beats MLS All-Stars in friendly

By Dave Skretta
Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Kansas — Italian club Roma scored after just four minutes and went on to win 3-1 in Wednesday's friendly against an MLS All-Star team.

Kevin Strootman, Alessandro Florenzi and Junior Tallo scored for Roma while Omar Gonzalez of Los Angeles Galaxy scored a consolation goal for the MLS side in second-half stoppage time.

Most of a sellout crowd had barely found its seats at Sporting Park, the $200 million home of Sporting Kansas City, when Florenzi sent a pass ahead to Strootman. Sporting defender Aurelien Collin got his foot to the ball, but Strootman still managed to guide it into the net.

Florenzi was denied a goal moments later by a close offside call, and then missed an open shot just wide of the net a few minutes later.

He finally found the back of the net in the 47th minute — he was clearly onside this time — and Tallo added his goal in 69th minute to put away the game.

While the MLS suffered defeat on the field, there was good news off it as MLS commissioner Don Garber announced at halftime that there will be four new clubs admitted to the league by 2020, expanding the MLS to 24 clubs.

RANGERS

From 1C

three walk-off home runs, but the different people getting it done. And that's what we need, is different people getting it done."

Texas won the series opener Monday night when A.J. Pierzynski and Geovany Soto both homered in the ninth inning off Angels closer Ernesto Frieri, Soto's blast providing a 4-3 victory. Then on Tuesday, after trailing four times, the Rangers again scored in the ninth off Frieri and won 14-11 after Leonys Martin hit a three-run homer in the 10th.

According to Elias, the last team to win three consecutive games with game-ending homers was Detroit in June 2004. The last to sweep a three-game series in that fashion was Arizona over Montreal in May 1999.

Nelson Cruz also homered Wednesday night for the Rangers, his 25th making it 1-0 in the second.

Josh Hamilton connected for the only Angels run, a 422-foot blast to right-center in the seventh. His 16th homer tied the game.

Rangers closer Joe Nathan (3-1) struck out two and walked one in the top of the ninth to win for the second night in a row. He had last won consecutive games in August, 2005.

Jerome Williams of the Angels and rookie Martin Perez for Texas, the starting pitchers, each allowed only one run while pitching into the eighth. Both had been struggling before their duel.

"We're not looking back on all three. We're just looking back at tonight," Angels manager Mike Scioscia said. "We didn't do enough to support Jerome, who really pitched well. Unfortunately, Perez outpitched him."

Williams scattered eight hits over 7 2-3 innings with two walks and one strikeout. The right-hander, who had an 8.90 ERA and five losses his previous seven starts, left with two on in the eighth, when Kohn got Ian Kinsler on an inning-ending flyball.

Perez had allowed at least four earned runs in three consecutive starts. The lefty struck out four, walked two and allowed only four hits in 7 1-3 innings before Tanner Scheppers closed out the eighth.

Cruz is among several players waiting to find out if they will be suspended by Major League Baseball in its investigation related to the Biogenesis case. Discipline is expected to be announced by the end of the weekend, which means Thursday's makeup at home against Arizona could be his last home game for the Rangers, depending on the timing and length of any suspension.

The All-Star right fielder, who is eligible for free agency after the season, leads the Rangers with 25 homers and 73 RBI.

"Very impressed," Washington said. "He's been a model citizen, to be going through what's he going through and able to do (what he's doing). ... He's been very good leaving whatever issue he has on the outside, and you've got to commend him for that."

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Tennis

ATP/WTA
ChI One Results
A U.S. Bank Series event
Wednesday
At William H.G. FitzGerald Tennis Center
Washington
Purse: Men, $1.55 million (WT800); Women, $250,000 (W81)
Surface: Hard-Outdoor
Singles
Men
Second Round
Radek Stepanek, Czech Republic, def. Michael Llodra (17), France, 6-2, 6-1.
Mardy Fish, United States, def. Julien Benneteau (12), France, 6-3, 7-6.
Ivan Dodig (13), Croatia, def. Tobias Kamke, Germany, 2-6, 6-2, 6-3.
John Isner (8), United States, def. Alex Kuznetsov, United States, 7-6 (2), 7-6 (4).
Dmitry Tursunov, Russia, def. Gilles Simon (5), France, 6-4, 6-2.
Women
Second Round
Andrea Petkovic, Germany, def. Mona Barthel (6), Germany, 6-2, 6-2.
Doubles
Men
First Round
Treat Huey, Philippines, and Dominic Inglot, Britain, def. Colin Fleming and Jonathan Marray, Britain, 6-4, 6-7 (4), 10-7.
Women
First Round
Irina Falconi, United States, and Eva Hrdinova (2), Czech Republic, def. Sorana Cirstea, Romania, and Yanina Wickmayer, Belgium, 6-3, 6-2.
Anna Tatishvili, Georgia, and Heather Watson (3), Britain, def. Mona Barthel, Germany, and Alize Cornet, France, 6-4, 6-4.

WTA
Southern California Open Results
Wednesday
At La Costa Resort and Spa
Carlsbad, Calif.
Purse: $795,707 (Premier)
Surface: Hard-Outdoor
Singles
First Round
Ana Ivanovic (7), Serbia, def. Dominika Cibulkova, Slovakia, 4-6, 6-3, 6-2.
Second Round
Petra Kvitova (3), Czech Republic, def. Laura Robson, Britain, 6-1, 6-2.
Roberta Vinci (4), Italy, def. Bethanie Mattek-Sands, United States, 6-4, 6-2.
Victoria Azarenka (1), Belarus, def. Francesca Schiavone, Italy, 6-2, 6-3.
Doubles
First Round
Raquel Kops-Jones and Abigail Spears (3), United States, def. Lisa Raymond, United States, and Laura Robson, Britain, 6-4, 6-3.

WNBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	PCT	GB
Chicago	12	5	706	—
Atlanta	11	5	688	1/2
Washington	9	10	474	4
Indiana	8	9	471	4
New York	8	11	421	5
Connecticut	4	12	250	7 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	PCT	GB
Minnesota	14	3	824	—
Los Angeles	12	6	667	2 1/2
Phoenix	9	9	500	5 1/2
Seattle	7	9	438	7
San Antonio	6	12	333	8 1/2
Tulsa	6	14	300	9 1/2

Wednesday's Score
New York 88, Washington 78
Today's Games
Indiana at Connecticut, 6 p.m.
Phoenix at Seattle, 9 p.m.
Friday's Games
San Antonio at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Los Angeles at Tulsa, 7 p.m.
Washington at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.

CFL

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts	PF	PA
Toronto	3	2	0	6	156	128
Montreal	2	3	0	4	122	139
Winnipeg	1	4	0	2	115	146
Hamilton	1	4	0	2	99	152

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	T	Pts	PF	PA
Saskatchewan	5	0	0	10	188	87
Calgary	4	1	0	8	162	133
B.C.	3	2	0	6	116	112
Edmonton	1	4	0	2	99	139

Tuesday's Score
Toronto 38, B.C. 12
Friday's Game
Hamilton at Edmonton, 8 p.m.
Monday's Game
Winnipeg at B.C., 6 p.m.

Fight Schedule

Today
At Bangkok, Thailand: Kompayak Porpramuk vs. Koki Eto, 12, for Porpramuk's interim WBA World flyweight title.

Friday
At Buffalo Run Casino, Miami, Okla. (ESPN2): Javier Fortuna vs. Luis Franco, 10, featherweights.

Saturday
At Uncasville, Conn. (NBCSN): Curtis Stevens vs. Saul Roman, 10, middleweights; Eddie Chambers vs. Thabiso Mchunu, 10, cruiserweights; Tomasz Adamek vs. Tony Grano, 10, heavyweights; Tomasz Adamek vs. Tony Grano, 10, heavyweights; Tomasz Adamek vs. Antwone Smith, 10, junior middleweights.

Aug. 9
At Morongo Casino Resort & Spa, Cabazon, Calif. (ESPN2): Rustum Nagaev vs. Jose Hernandez, 10, lightweights; Jose Pedraza vs. Gabriel Tomalyan, 10, super featherweights.

At Fantasy Springs Resort Casino, Indio, Calif. (SHO): Deontay Wilder vs. Sergei Lakhovich, 10, heavyweights; Francisco Vargas vs. Brandon Bennett, 10, lightweights; Jermall Charlo vs. Antwone Smith, 10, junior middleweights.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

American League
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	64	44	593	—
Tampa Bay	64	44	593	—
Baltimore	59	49	546	5
New York	55	52	519	8 1/2
Toronto	50	57	.467	13 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	61	45	575	—
Cleveland	59	48	551	2 1/2
Kansas City	53	51	510	7
Minnesota	45	59	433	15
Chicago	40	65	.381	20 1/2

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	63	45	583	—
Texas	59	49	546	4
Seattle	50	56	.472	12
Los Angeles	48	58	453	14
Houston	36	70	340	26

Wednesday's Scores
Detroit 11, Washington 1
Toronto 5, Oakland 2, 10 innings
Cleveland 6, Chicago White Sox 5, 10 innings
Houston 11, Baltimore 0
Arizona 7, Tampa Bay 0
Seattle at Boston, late
Texas 2, L.A. Angels 1
Kansas City 4, Minnesota 3
N.Y.Yankees at L.A.Dodgers, late
Today's Games
Chicago White Sox (Sale 6-10) at Cleveland (Masterson 12-7), 11:05 a.m.
Kansas City (Shields 5-7) at Minnesota (Diamond 5-9), 12:10 p.m.
Arizona (Spruill 0-0) at Texas (Darvish 9-5), 6:05 p.m.
Houston (Lyles 4-4) at Baltimore (B.Norris 6-9), 6:05 p.m.
Seattle (F.Hernandez 11-4) at Boston (Dempster 6-8), 6:10 p.m.
Toronto (J.Johnson 1-7) at L.A. Angels (Richards 2-4), 9:05 p.m.

National League
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	63	45	583	—
Washington	52	56	481	11
Philadelphia	50	57	.467	12 1/2
New York	48	57	.457	13 1/2
Miami	41	65	387	21

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Pittsburgh	65	42	607	—
St. Louis	62	44	585	2 1/2
Cincinnati	60	48	556	6
Chicago	49	58	458	16
Milwaukee	46	62	.426	19 1/2

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	57	48	543	—
Arizona	55	52	514	3
Colorado	51	58	468	8
San Diego	50	59	459	9
San Francisco	47	59	.443	10 1/2

Wednesday's Scores
Detroit 11, Washington 1
Cincinnati 4, San Diego 3
San Francisco 9, Philadelphia 2
Pittsburgh 5, St. Louis 4
Arizona 7, Tampa Bay 0
Atlanta 9, Colorado 0
Miami 3, N.Y.Mets 2
Chicago Cubs 6, Milwaukee 1
N.Y.Yankees at L.A.Dodgers, late
Today's Games
N.Y.Mets (Harvey 8-2) at Miami (Koehler 2-6), 11:40 a.m.
Arizona (Spruill 0-0) at Texas (Darvish 9-5), 6:05 p.m.
San Francisco (M.Cain 6-6) at Philadelphia (Hamels 4-13), 6:05 p.m.
St. Louis (J.Kelly 1-3) at Pittsburgh (Morton 3-2), 6:05 p.m.
Colorado (Bettis 0-0) at Atlanta (Teheran 7-5), 6:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Nolasco 6-9) at Chicago Cubs (Rusin 1-0), 7:05 p.m.

WEDNESDAY'S AL WEST BOXES
RANGERS 2, ANGELS 1

Los Angeles					Texas				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Aybar ss	3	0	1	0	LMartin cf	4	0	2	0
Cowgill rf	3	0	0	0	Andrus ss	3	0	1	0
Calhon ph-rf	1	0	0	0	Kinsler 2b	4	0	0	0
Trout cf	3	0	0	0	ABeltre 3b	4	1	2	1
Trumo 1b	4	0	0	0	Przyns dh	3	0	0	0
HKndrc 2b	4	0	1	0	N.Cruz rf	3	1	2	1
Hamltn lf	2	1	1	1	GAlvrz lf	3	0	0	0
Nelson 3b	4	0	0	0	G Soto c	2	0	1	0
Iannett c	3	0	0	0	Morlnd 1b	3	0	1	0
Shuck dh	3	0	1	0					
Totals	**30**	**1**	**4**	**1**	**Totals**	**29**	**2**	**9**	**2**

Los Angeles	000	000	100	—	1
Texas	010	100	001	—	2

No outs when winning run scored.
E—Aybar (9). DP—Los Angeles 1. LOB—Los Angeles 7, Texas 5. HR—Hamltn (16). ABeltre (23). N.Cruz (25). CS—G Soto (2). S—Aybar.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Williams	7 2-3	8	1	1	2	1
Kohn L 1-1	1-3	1	1	1	0	0
Texas						
M Perez	7 1-3	4	1	1	2	4
Scheppers	2-3	0	0	0	1	1
Nathan W 3-1	1	0	0	0	0	2

Kohn pitched to 1 batter in the 9th
T—2:30. A—39,391 (48,114)

ASTROS 11, ORIOLES 0

Houston					Baltimore				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Villar ss	5	0	1	0	MCoth lf-cf	4	0	1	0
Hoes rf-cf	5	0	0	0	Machd 3b	3	0	0	0
Altuve 2b	4	2	2	0	Flahrty ph-3b	1	0	0	0
Castro c	4	2	3	4	Markks rf	3	0	0	0
Carter dh	5	0	1	0	A Jones cf	3	0	0	0
Wallac 1b	5	0	1	1	Urrutia lf	1	0	0	0
BBarns cf	3	2	2	1	C Davis 1b	4	0	1	0
Elmore ph-lf	2	0	0	0	Wieters c	3	0	0	0
MDmn 3b	5	3	4	2	Tegrdn c	1	0	1	0
Grssmn lf-fl	4	1	2	2	Hardy ss	3	0	0	0
					ACasill ss	2	0	0	0
					BRorts 2b	3	0	0	0
					Pearce dh	3	0	2	0
Totals	**42**	**11**	**15**	**10**	**Totals**	**34**	**0**	**7**	**0**

Houston	040	501	100	—	11
Baltimore	000	000	000	—	0

E—Hardy (8). LOB—Houston 8, Baltimore 7. 2B—J.Castro 2 (29), B.Barnes (11), Teagarden (1). HR—J.Castro (13), M.Dominguez (14), Grossman (1). S—Grossman.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Oberholtzer W,1-0	7	3	0	0	0	6
Lo	1	2	0	0	0	1
Clanero	1	4	0	0	0	1
Baltimore						
Gonzalez L,8-5	3 2-3	9	9	4	2	5
McFarland	2 1-3	3	1	1	1	0
Fr.Rodriguez	1	1	1	1	0	1
Matusz	1	1	1	0	0	1
Patton	1	1	0	0	0	0

WP—Mig.Gonzalez.
T—3:03. A—25,285 (45,971).

BLUE JAYS 5, ATHLETICS 2, 10 INNINGS

Toronto					Oakland				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Reyes ss	4	1	2	0	Crisp cf	5	0	0	0
Mzturis 2b	4	0	2	0	Sogard 2b	3	2	1	0
Bautist rf	4	1	1	1	Callasp ph-2b	2	0	0	0
Encrnc dh	4	1	0	0	Lowrie ss	5	0	2	0
Lind 1b	4	1	1	0	Cespds dh	5	0	0	0
DeRosa ph-1b	1	0	0	0	Moss 1b	3	0	1	0
CIRsms cf	5	1	3	2	Freimn ph-1b	2	0	0	0
RDavis lf	5	0	1	0	Dnldsn 3b	4	0	1	0
Thole c	3	0	0	0	S.Smith lf	4	0	1	0
MacCarr ph	1	0	0	0	C.Young rf	4	0	1	0
Arencz c	1	0	0	0	Wogt c	4	0	1	0
Lawrie 3b	3	0	1	1					
Totals	**38**	**5**	**11**	**4**	**Totals**	**41**	**2**	**8**	**0**

Toronto	000	000	000	1	—	5
Oakland	001	010	000	0	—	2

E—Dickey (1), Bautista (4), M.Izturis 2 (10). DP—Oakland 2. LOB—Toronto 9, Oakland 10. 2B—Bautista (21), Col.Rasmus (24), C.Young (14). CS—M.Izturis (5). S—M.Izturis.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Dickey	6	6	2	0	1	3
Loup	1 1-3	2	0	0	0	1
Delabar	2-3	0	0	0	1	1
Janssen W,4-0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Cecil S,1-2	1	0	0	0	0	1
Oakland						
Colon	6	7	2	1	3	1
Cook	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Doolittle	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Balfour	1	0	0	0	0	1
J.Chavez L,2-3	1-3	2	3	3	1	0
Blevins	0	1	0	0	1	0
Neshek	2-3	0	0	0	0	0

Blevins pitched to 2 batters in the 10th.
PB—Vogt 2.
T—3:18. A—23,638 (35,067)

WEDNESDAY'S LINESCORES
AMERICAN LEAGUE
INDIANS 6, WHITE SOX 5, 10 INNINGS

Chicago	000	003	002	0	—	5	11	1
Cleveland	100	110	002	1	—	6	10	0

Quintana, N.Jones (6), Purcey (7), A.Reed (9), Axelrod (10) and Phegley. Flowers, Kluber, Allen (9), C.Perez (10) and C.Santana. Y.Gomes. W—C.Perez 4-1. L—Axelrod 3-7. HRs—Cleveland C.Santana (12).

ROYALS 4, TWINS 3

Kansas City	011	000	200	—	4	13	1
Minnesota	000	001	010	—	3	11	1

Guthrie, Collins (7), K.Herrera (8), Crow (8), G.Holland (9) and S.Perez. Correia, Thielbar (7), Fien (7), Burton (8), Perkins (9) and Mauer. W—Guthrie 11-7. L—Thielbar 1-1. Sv—G.Holland (28). HRs—Minnesota, Florimon (7).

INTERLEAGUE
TIGERS 11, NATIONALS 1

Washington	100	000	000	—	1	5	1
Detroit	050	500	10x	—	11	15	0

G.Gonzalez, Ohlendorf (4), Stammen (4), Krol (7), Mattheus (8) and K.Suzuki. Verlander, Coke (7), Alburquerque (8), E.Reed (9) and Avila. W—Verlander 11-8. L—G.Gonzalez 7-4. HRs—Detroit Avila (8). Tor.Hunter (11).

DIAMONDBACKS 7, RAYS 0

Arizona	202	000	111	—	7	14	1
Tampa Bay	000	000	000	—	0	3	0

Miley, Bell (7), Putz (9) and Nieves. Hellickson, Al.Torres (5), Farnsworth (7), McGee (7), J.Wright (7), C.Ramos (9) and Lobaton. W—Miley 8-8. L—Hellickson 10-4. HRs—Arizona, Er.Chavez (9). Goldschmidt (24).

NATIONAL LEAGUE
REDS 4, PADRES 1

Cincinnati	010	001	000	300	—	4	11	1
San Diego	000	000	000	001	—	1	6	1

H.Bailey, Chapman (9) and C.Miller. Stults, Vincent (7), Thayer (8), Hynes (9) and R.Rivera. W—H.Bailey 6-10. L—Stults 8-10. Sv—Chapman (25). HRs—Cincinnati, Phillips (13).

GIANTS 9, PHILLIES 2

San Francisco	403	000	200	—	9	14	0
Philadelphia	100	000	010	—	2	5	2

Gaudin, S.Rosario (8), S.Casilla (9) and Posey. Quiroz, K.Kendrick. Valdes (3), J.Ramirez (6), Diekman (8), Lu.Garcia (9) and Ruiz. W—Gaudin 5-2. L—K.Kendrick 9-8. HRs—San Francisco, Pill (2). B.Crawford (6). Philadelphia, Utley (14).

PIRATES 5, CARDINALS 4

St. Louis	201	100	000	—	4	13	0
Pittsburgh	101	110	01x	—	5	10	1

Wainwright, Rosenthal (8) and T.Cruz. Locke, Mazzaro (5), Watson (7), Melancon (9) and R.Martin. W—Watson 3-1. L—Rosenthal 1-2. Sv—Melancon (5). HRs—Pittsburgh, Walker (7).

BRAVES 9, ROCKIES 0

Colorado	000	000	000	—	0	5	2
Atlanta	107	100	00x	—	9	15	1

Chatwood, Ottavino (3), Outman (6), W.Lopez (7) and Torrealba. Minor, Ayala (8) and McCann. Gaffis, W—Minor 11-5. L—Chatwood 7-4. HRs—Atlanta, McCann (15).

MARLINS 3, METS 2

New York	000	001	010	—	2	8	1
Miami	012	000	00x	—	3	6	1

Mejia, Rice (7), C.Torres (8) and Buck. H.Alvarez, Qualls (8), M.Dunn (8) and Brantly. W—H.Alvarez 2-1. L—Mejia 1-1. Sv—M.Dunn (2). HRs—Miami, Marisknick (1).

CUBS 6, BREWERS 1

Milwaukee	000	000	100	010	—	1	9	2
Chicago	002	302	00x	—	6	8	0

W.Peralta, Figaro (6), Wooten (8) and Maldonado. E—Jackson, R.Parker (9) and Castillo. W—E.Jackson 7-11. L—W.Peralta 7-11. HRs—Chicago, Rizzo (15), St.Castro (7).

TUESDAY'S LATE TEXAS BOX
RANGERS 14, ANGELS 11, 10 INNINGS

Los Angeles					Texas				
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Aybar ss	6	1	1	1	LMartin lf-cf	7	1	2	3
Cowgill cf-lf	6	2	2	1	Andrus ss	4	1	2	1
Trout cf	4	3	4	1	Kinsler 2b	5	3	2	1
Trumo 1b	5	2	1	2	ABeltre 3b	5	0	3	2
HKndrc 2b	3	1	2	2	Przyns dh	6	0	2	0
Hamltn dh	5	0	2	4	N.Cruz rf	3	1	2	1
Callasp 3b	1	0	0	0	EBeltre pr-rf	1	1	0	0
Field 3b	4	0	0	0	JeBakr 1b	4	1	1	0
Iannett c	2	0	1	0	Morlnd 1b	1	0	1	0
Calhon pr-rf	1	1	0	0	G.Soto c	4	2	2	3
Shuck lf	4	1	2	0	Gentry cf	3	0	1	2
Cpnter ph	1	0	0	0	DvMrp ph-lf	3	2	1	0
Totals	**44**	**11**	**15**	**11**	**Totals**	**46**	**14**	**19**	**13**

Los Angeles	201	010	340	0	—	11
Texas	203	100	101	3	—	14

One out when winning run scored.
E—Scheppers (1). DP—Los Angeles 1, Texas 1. LOB—Los Angeles 11, Texas 13. 2B—Trout (31), Hamilton (21), Iannetta (10), Conger (7), Andrus (11), Je.Baker (6), Dav.Murphy (17). 3B—Kinsler (1). HR—Cowgill (1), Trumbo (23), L.Martin (6), G.Soto (6). SB—Aybar (6), Andrus (24), Kinsler (7), Gentry (10). S—H.Kendrick.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
C.Wilson	4	11	6	6	3	6
J.Gutierrez	1	0	0	0	1	1
Kohn	1	0	0	0	1	1
Jepsen	1	2	1	1	0	0
D.De La Rosa	2-3	3	3	3	1	0
Marinde	2-3	0	0	0	0	2
Frien	2-3	2	1	1	1	1
Stange L,0-1	1-3	1	3	3	2	0
Texas						
D.Holland	6	8	4	4	2	6
Sona	2-3	1	3	3	2	1
R.Ross	1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Scheppers	1	5	4	1	1	0
Frasor	1	1	0	0	0	1
Nathan W,2-1	1	0	0	0	2	1

WP—C.Wilson 2, Scheppers. Balk—D.Holland.
T—4:46. A—36,931 (48,114)

TUESDAY'S LATE LINESCORES
AMERICAN LEAGUE
BLUE JAYS 5, ATHLETICS 0

Toronto	100	130	000	—	5	9	0
Oakland	000	000	000	—	0	7	2

Buehrle, Delabar (8), Oliver (9) and Arencibia. Straily, Otero (5), Blevins (8), Neshek (9) and D.Norris. W—Buehrle 7-7. L—Straily 6-5. HRs—Toronto, Bautista (25), Bonifacio (3).

INTERLEAGUE
DODGERS 3, YANKEES 2

New York	010	100	000	—	2	5	0
Los Angeles	110	000	001	—	3	10	0

Pettitte, D.Robertson (8), Kelley (9) and C.Stewart. Greinke, Belisario (8), Jansen (9) and A.Ellis. W—Jansen 4-3. L—Kelley 3-1. HRs—New York, Overbay (12). Los Angeles, Uribe (6).

NATIONAL LEAGUE
PADRES 4, REDS 2

Cincinnati	010	001	000	—	2	5	0
San Diego	010	001	02x	—	4	10	0

Latos, Ondrusek (7), M.Parra (8), LeCure (8) and Mesoraco. Volquez, Hynes (7), Thayer (7), Street (9) and Hundley. W—Thayer 1-3. L—M.Parra 1-2. Sv—Street (20).

Leaders

AMERICAN LEAGUE

BATTING—McCabrera, Detroit, .359; Trout, Los Angeles, .329; DOrtiz, Boston, .328; Mauer, Minnesota, .328; TorHunter, Detroit, .316; Loney, Tampa Bay, .316; ABeltre, Texas, .314.

RUNS—McCabrera, Detroit, 78; CDavis, Baltimore, 76; AJones, Baltimore, 73; Trout, Los Angeles, 73; Bautista, Toronto, 70; Encarnacion, Toronto, 69; DeJennings, Tampa Bay, 68.

RBI—McCabrera, Detroit, 99; CDavis, Baltimore, 99; Encarnacion, Toronto, 84; Fielder, Detroit, 76; AJones, Baltimore, 76; N.Cruz, Texas, 73; Cano, New York, 70.

HITS—McCabrera, Detroit, 137; Trout, Los Angeles, 137; Machado, Baltimore, 135; ABeltre, Texas, 134; AJones, Baltimore, 129; Ellsbury, Boston, 126; TorHunter, Detroit, 126.

DOUBLES—Machado, Baltimore, 39; Mauer, Minnesota, 31; Trout, Los Angeles, 31; CDavis, Baltimore, 30; JCastro, Houston, 29; JhPeralta, Detroit, 29; Napoli, Boston, 28.

HOME RUNS—CDavis, Baltimore, 38; McCabrera, Detroit, 32; Encarnacion, Toronto, 29; Bautista, Toronto, 25; NCruz, Texas, 25; ADunn, Chicago, 25; Ibanez, Seattle, 24.

STOLEN BASES—Ellsbury, Boston, 39; RDavis, Toronto, 31; Altuve, Houston, 26; McLouth, Baltimore, 25; Andrus, Texas, 24; AlRamirez, Chicago, 23; Trout, Los Angeles, 23.

PITCHING—Scherzer, Detroit, 15-1; MMoore, Tampa Bay, 14-3; Colon, Oakland, 14-3; Tillman, Baltimore, 13-3; Masterson, Cleveland, 12-7; FHernandez, Seattle, 11-4; CWilson, Los Angeles, 11-6; Guthrie, Kansas City, 11-7; Verlander, Detroit, 11-8.

ERA—FHernandez, Seattle, 2.34; Colon, Oakland, 2.50; Kuroda, New York, 2.51; AnSanchez, Detroit, 2.59; Sale, Chicago, 2.69; Darvish, Texas, 2.80; Iwakuma, Seattle, 2.87.

STRIKEOUTS—Darvish, Texas, 172; Scherzer, Detroit, 164; FHernandez, Seattle, 158; Masterson, Cleveland, 153; Sale, Chicago, 149; Verlander, Detroit, 138; Dnldsn, Toronto, 135.

SAVES—JJohnson, Baltimore, 36; MRivera, New York, 33; Nathan, Texas, 32; Balfour, Oakland, 28; GHolland, Kansas City, 28; AReed, Chicago, 26; Rodney, Tampa Bay, 26.

SWIMMING

FINA World Championships Results
Wednesday
At Barcelona, Spain
High Diving
Men's 27-meter

1 Orlando Duque, Colombia, 590.20 points.
2 Gary Hunt, Britain, 589.30.
3 Jonathan Paredes, Mexico, 578.35.
4 Michal Navratil, Czech Republic, 540.70.
5 Matt Cowen, Britain, 539.60.
6 Artem Silchenko, Russia, 520.55.
7 Anatolii Shabotenko, Ukraine, 498.60.
8 Kris Kolanus, Poland, 469.15.
9 Steve Lobue, United States, 445.80.
10 Blake Aldridge, Britain, 443.15.
11 Kent De Mond, United States, 420.70.
12 Cyrille Oumedjkane, France, 403.35.
13 Jorge Ferzuli, Mexico, 356.20.

Swimming
Men
50 breaststroke
Final

1. Cameron Van der Burgh, South Africa, 26.77. 2, Christian Sprenger, Australia, 26.78. 3, Giulio Zorzi, South Africa, 27.04. 4, Damir Dugonjic, Slovenia, 27.05. 5, Joao Gomes, Brazil, 27.20. 6, Glenn Snyders, New Zealand, 27.21. 7, Johannes Skagius, Sweden, 27.48. 8, Mattia Pesce, Italy, 27.53.

100 freestyle
Heats (qualifiers for semifinals)

1, James Magnussen, Australia, 47.71. 2, Konrad Czerniak, Poland, 48.50. 3, Nikita Lobintsev, Russia, 48.51. 4, Shinri Shioura, Japan, 48.52. 5, Hanser Garcia, Cuba, 48.54. 6, Cameron McEvoy, Australia, 48.59. 7, Vladimir Morozov, Russia, 48.67. 8, Pieter Timmers, Belgium, 48.76.

9, James Feigen, United States, 48.86. 10 (tie), Sebastiaan Verschuren, Netherlands, and Luca Dotto, Italy, 48.88. 12, Nathan Adrian, United States, 48.93. 13, Filippo Magnani, Italy, 49.02. 14, Fabien Gilot, France, 49.07. 15, Marcelo Chierighini, Brazil, 49.08. 16, Adam Brown, Britain, 49.39.

Semifinals (qualifiers for final)

1, Nathan Adrian, United States, 47.95. 2, James Feigen, United States, 48.07. 3, Marcelo Chierighini, Brazil, 48.11. 4, James Magnussen, Australia, 48.20. 5, Vladimir Morozov, Russia, 48.20. 6, Fabien Gilot, France, 48.21. 7, Cameron McEvoy, Australia, 48.43. 8, Luca Dotto, Italy, 48.46.

200 butterfly
Final

1, Chad Le Clos, South Africa, 1:54.32. 2, Pawel Korzeniowski, Poland, 1:55.01. 3, Wu Peng, China, 1:55.09. 4, Chen Yin, China, 1:55.47. 5, Tom Luchsinger, United States, 1:55.70. 6, Nikolay Skvortsov, Russia, 1:56.02. 7, Tyler Clary, United States, 1:56.34. 8, Leonardo de Deus, Brazil, 1:56.44.

200 individual medley
Heats (qualifiers for semifinals)

1, Laszlo Cseh, Hungary, 1:57.70. 2, Kosuke Hagino, Japan, 1:57.73. 3, Wang Shun, China, 1:57.80. 4, Yuri Prilukov, Belarus, 1:58.03. 5, Daniel Tranter, Australia, 1:58.10. 8, Simon Sjodin, Sweden, 1:58.17. Also 10, Conor Dwyer, United States, 1:58.56. did not qualify

800 freestyle
Final

1, Sun Yang, China, 7:41.36. 2, Michael McBroom, United States, 7:43.60. 3, Ryan Cochrane, Canada, 7:43.70. 4, Connor Jaeger, United States, 7:44.26. 5, Jordan Harrison, Australia, 7:47.38. 6, Gregorio Paltrinieri, Italy, 7:50.29. 7, Park Tae-Joon, Faroe Islands, 7:52.57. 8, Oussama Mellouli, Tunisia, 7:52.79.

Women
50 backstroke
Heats (qualifiers for semifinals)

1, Fu Yuanhui, China, 27.55. 2, Zhao Jing, China, 27.81. 3, Aya Terakawa, Japan, 28.05. 4, Mercedes Peris, Spain, 28.07. 5, Etiene Medeiros, Brazil, 28.16. 6, Rachel Bootsma, United States, 28.28. 7 (tie), Georgia Davies and Lauren Quigley, Britain, 28.35. 9 (tie), Aleksandra Urbanczyk, Poland, and Duane da Rocha, Spain, 28.37. 11, Simona Baumrtova, Czech Republic, 28.38. 12, Stephanie Au, Hong Kong, 28.39. 13 (tie), Mikay Franklin, United States, and Sanja Jovanovic, Croatia, 28.44. 15, Emily

Mays hopes fans forgive him for hit on Schaub

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

HOUSTON — The wife of linebacker Joe Mays was understandably concerned when her husband signed with the Houston Texans less than a year after he delivered a hit on Matt Schaub that took a chunk out of the quarterback's ear.

"She was worried about how Schaub was going to react," Mays said. "She was happy, but at the same time she was hoping that I didn't get jumped in the locker room."

Turns out she had nothing to worry about. Mays practiced with the Texans for the first time Wednesday and got a warm welcome from his new team.

"We talked, man. It's over with," Mays said of Schaub. "I'm just glad to hear that everything is OK. Hopefully the fans can accept me. I know how mad they were about it, and believe me I was upset too."

Schaub brushed off any notion that he was mad at Mays about the hit.

"We're way past that," he said. "That was gone as soon as we walked off the field that day. It's just a physical, hard-nosed game and he's a physical player. It's just part of football and I don't fault him for that ... he's a good player and a good guy."

Mays was suspended for one game and fined $50,000 for the hit on a play in Houston's 31-25 victory over the Broncos on Sept. 23.

The 5-foot-11 Mays insists that he didn't intentionally try to hurt Schaub.

"It's one of those bang-bang type of plays where there is not really anything I could have done differently," he said. "With me being as short as I am, I definitely didn't think I was going to hit him in the head and I definitely didn't try to. The NFL made the right decision and luckily I'm still playing the game."

The incident was the start of a tough stretch for Mays, who signed a three-year, $12 million contract with Denver before last season. He lost his starting job a couple of weeks after the hit and broke his left leg in late October and missed the rest of the season.

He reported to Broncos camp healthy, but Denver had depth at linebacker and released him last week to save on paying his hefty salary this season.

The 28-year-old is looking forward to Houston giving him a chance to compete for a starting job, but said he'll do whatever he can to help the team.

"I have an opportunity to definitely fight," he said. "That's one of the reasons why I chose here, because I can compete, come in and try to start. I definitely don't mind playing special teams because that's how I made it in the league is playing special teams. Now, I'm just trying to do whatever I can to get on the defense."

Nguyen latest ex-Cowboy to jump into booth

By Tom Orsborn
San Antonio Express-News

OXNARD, Calif. — It's 7 p.m. on the West Coast. Another practice is in the books at the Dallas Cowboys training camp and the players have long since made their way back to the team hotel.

Well, not all of them.

Always looking for a way to improve, linebacker Sean Lee lingers in the media area, picking the brain of a gritty former player who led the Cowboys in tackles three seasons.

And Dat Nguyen is more than willing to share with Lee what he knows about playing linebacker in the NFL.

"He loves the game," Nguyen said. "He wants to do everything he can to be successful. He doesn't want to leave any stone unturned."

Nguyen, 37, was talking about Lee, but he could also have been talking about himself. With the Cowboys agreeing in March to a three-year deal with Border Media's KJXK (Jack FM 102.7) in San Antonio, Nguyen is working harder than ever to hone his skills as a sports talk radio host.

As co-host of The Blitz with Jason Minnix on KJXK's sister station KZDC-AM (ESPN 1250), Nguyen will help interview Cowboys coach Jason Garrett weekly during the season and also provide commentary on the club.

"My goal is to get better daily," Nguyen said. "It goes back to the mentality I had when I played – you're either going to get better or you're going to get worse."

Determined to succeed in a business filled with "shock jocks" that shoot from the hip, Nguyen wants his brand to be all about accuracy, fairness, fun and hard work.

"I want to always remember there are two sides to the story," he said.

This season marks the first time Cowboys games have been on an FM station in San Antonio. For the last seven years, WOAI-AM carried the team's games, but the Cowboys switched to KJXK because its new antenna provides a strong signal, it has a history of covering the team and, as a club spokesman put it, "They wanted us really bad."

"We are very much about local at Border Media, so we are trying to build a nice little profile of Texas teams," said Mark Landis, Border Media/San Antonio's vice president/programming. "We have the Cowboys, Rangers, Texas A&M, Texans and Texas Tech.

"We have been building slowly and surely. I can't tell you how many people have said to me, 'I can't believe you got the Cowboys. What about the Spurs? I said, 'They are next. (WOAI) had better watch out.' "

Another key to KJXK securing the Cowboys was the team's ties to Nguyen, who Landis calls a "big name" among fans. A third-round pick by Dallas in 1999, the former Rockport and Texas A&M standout overcame questions about his size to become one of the NFL's top run defenders before injuries forced him to retire after the 2005 season.

But beyond all that, Nguyen is an "amazing role model," Landis said.

"His faith and family meant a lot to him and he is one of the most humble, nicest guys you'd ever meet," Landis said. "He never gets tired of standing up and shaking hands."

After stints as a coach for the Cowboys and the Aggies, Nguyen wanted a job in sports that would allow him to spend more time with his wife and their three girls. He found all of that at KZDC last summer, although it was tough at the start for the rookie.

"He has come such a long way, and it's because he studies and preps and goes back and listens to shows to get better," Minnix said. "He's a perfectionist.

"He's also very private by nature. But in radio, you have to put yourself out there. That's been a challenge, but he's done really well with it. And his knowledge of the game is unbelievable. He sees things we don't see."

Nguyen is following a trail into media blazed by several former Cowboys, including Don Meredith, Drew Pearson, Troy Aikman, Michael Irvin, Deion Sanders, Darren Woodson and Nate Newton.

"My advice would be to just tell the truth and don't go overboard," said Newton, who does commentary for a Dallas radio station. "Give your honest opinion. You know football. You know if a guy made an honest mistake or if he made a bonehead mistake. Just say what he did - right or did wrong."

It's a game plan Nguyen has embraced.

"It's easy to say things everyone wants to hear," he said, "but I'm a big believer in giving only accurate information. I don't want to lose credibility. I'd rather be late with the news than get something wrong. I'm not out to win a gold medal for being first."

Lee said he enjoyed "talking scheme and technique" with Nguyen but was more impressed with him as a person.

"He's very gracious, someone you can model yourself after both on and off the field," Lee said. "He's very naturally humble. That's why he was probably great — he knew how to work, how to get better."

Nguyen is counting on those same traits making him a success in the radio booth.

NFL Pro Bowl rosters to be determined by draft

Associated Press

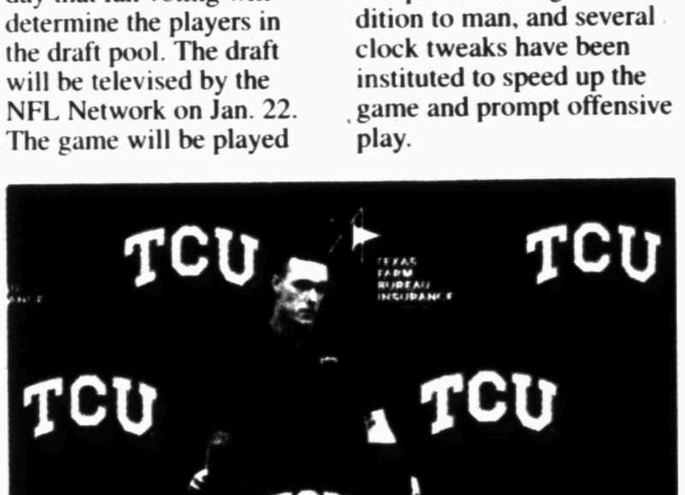
NEW YORK — The NFL Pro Bowl rosters for next year will be selected in a draft by team captains, with Deion Sanders and Jerry Rice assisting as alumni captains.

The NFL will abandon the AFC vs. NFC format that has been in place since 1971.

The league says Wednesday that fan voting will determine the players in the draft pool. The draft will be televised by the NFL Network on Jan. 22. The game will be played Jan. 26 at Aloha Stadium in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Other changes are coming to the game, too.

The ball will change hands at the end of each quarter, which could double the opportunities for two-minute drills. Kickoffs (and return specialists) will be eliminated — teams will start on their own 25-yard line. Defenses will be allowed to play cover-2 and press coverage in addition to man, and several clock tweaks have been instituted to speed up the game and prompt offensive play.



Ron Jenkins/Fort Worth Star-Telegram

TCU quarterback Casey Pachall speaks the media Wednesday, in Fort Worth. The Horned Frogs are to have their first football practice today.

TCU's Pachall humbled, matured by time away

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

FORT WORTH — TCU senior quarterback Casey Pachall said he has matured and been "really humbled" after his time away from school last season to participate in a substance-abuse program.

While he missed his teammates and being on the field, Pachall quickly realized he had to get things straight in his own life.

"I struggled with that aspect, being away from the team the whole time," Pachall said Wednesday. "But also like after about a week or two, I did have that little moment of clarity, and came to realize that i was screwing everything up, and it was completely my fault that I'm in the situation that I'm in, and who all I let down."

Pachall publicly addressed his situation for the first time on the same day that the Horned Frogs reported to campus for the start of fall practice, and preparing for their second season in the Big 12.

Asked what specifically he was in rehabilitation for, he responded, "I'll just say alcohol, but that's the most detail I'm going to get into it."

After starting the Horned Frogs' first four games last season, all victories, Pachall was arrested on suspicion of drunken driving. He left school in October for a treatment program. He had admitted to police earlier last year that he smoked marijuana and failed a team-administered drug test before his former roommate and teammate was arrested in a drug sting.

Coach Gary Patterson said it was the quarterback's decision to talk to reporters for the first time since he was suspended by the team and then left school.

"Everything that's happened has really humbled me and helped me out as far as my mentality, so everything's that happened happened for a reason and I understand that now," Pachall said. "I'm actually very grateful for it now."

Pachall completed his treatment program in time to re-enroll at TCU for the spring semester, and also went through spring drills with the Horned Frogs, who went 3-6 after Pachall's departure and finished 7-6 after a 17-16 loss to Michigan State in the Buffalo Wild Wings Bowl.

ALLEN

From 1C

pressed 700 pounds — "absurd," says former teammate Daryl Johnston — in the Cowboys' locker room while players screamed and mobbed him. This was a player who made notorious trash-talker John Randle of Minnesota keep to himself when he faced the Cowboys, for fear of making Allen mad.

"He never said nothin'," said Nate Newton, one of Allen's mentors on Dallas' offensive line. "Every now and then you'd hear him utter a cuss word or hear him laugh that old funny laugh he had.

"Other than that ..." Newton said, trailing off.

Allen just played, which is how Scalercio discovered him at Butte College. That's the junior college where the lineman landed after attending four high schools in part because his mom moved him around to keep him away from gangs. Then an assistant for Sonoma, Scalercio was recruiting another player when he saw Allen throw an opponent to the ground for the first time.

"I kinda forgot about the guy I was actually recruiting," Scalercio said.

Allen ended up at tiny Sonoma, a Division II school, because his academic progress wasn't fast enough to get him to Division I, where he probably belonged. He was out of football and living in Los Angeles when Scalercio sent some of his LA-area players looking for him.

They tracked him down on a basketball court, the same place Sonoma coach Tim Walsh took Allen when he showed up on campus. Walsh wanted to see the 6-foot-3 Allen lift his 320-pound frame for a dunk.

"You could have heard a pin drop when he slammed the ball," Scalercio said. "It was like in the movies where it just goes 'tick, tick, tick, tick' and stops."

The Cowboys were coming off consecutive Super Bowl wins when they drafted Allen in the middle of the second round in 1994. He was surrounded by Pro Bowl offensive linemen but didn't take long to get noticed.

Late in his rookie season, Allen saved a touchdown by running down Darion Conner when it looked like the New Orleans linebacker only had Troy Aikman to beat down the sideline. Most of the rest of his career was defined by power — first as a tackle, where the Cowboys figured he would be a mainstay, and ultimately as a guard.

"He has to be one of the strongest guys to play the game," Cowboys executive vice president Stephen Jones said. "I think Larry would have been a Hall of Famer at guard or tackle, and either side. He was special like that."

True to his personality as a player, Allen retired to a quiet life in Northern California, with a wife and three kids.

He's helping coach his son, Larry Allen III, who will be a senior offensive lineman at high school power De La Salle and is getting Division I looks. He shows up at Sonoma basketball games — the football program was dropped a couple of years after Allen left — and happily signs autographs and poses for pictures.

"He's even bigger now than he ever was on campus," said Tim Burrell, a friend of Allen's. "Everybody loves him."

He still doesn't talk much, which explains why Cowboys tight end Jason Witten walked by reporters at training camp last week and asked — unsolicited — how long Allen was going to speak after Cowboys owner Jerry Jones introduces him. That's generally the first thing his old Dallas comrades want to know.

The answer? About 7 minutes, Allen says. And his oldest daughter, Jayla, has been coaching him.

"It's going to be a little rough," Allen said.

At least it will be longer than his first speech.

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PSU reaches milestone with end of transfer rule

By Genaro C. Armas
Associated Press

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — The NCAA rule connected to Penn State's sanctions that had the earliest impact on the football program is set to expire Thursday.

The rule allowing Nittany Lions to transfer without having to sit out a year at a new school elapses Aug. 1, according to school officials. On that front at least, Penn State returns to a level playing field with other FBS schools a year after the NCAA levied its landmark penalties for the Jerry Sandusky child sex abuse scandal.

"Emotionally, that's a big chunk out of the way," athletic director Dave Joyner said Wednesday. The football team starts "preseason, the beginning of August, and the transfer rule is not there, so that's one piece done."

Preseason camp begins Monday. Penn State's strengths in 2013 include receiver, tight end and running back; a veteran secondary; and the trio of proven impact players in the front seven of defensive end Deion Barnes, and linebackers Glenn Carson and Mike Hull.

"You know, a lot of things that we talked about last year when I was here, it's water under the bridge," coach Bill O'Brien said two weeks ago at Big Ten media days in Chicago. "But at the same time I've said this over and over again, our staff, myself — we're thankful for our players. Our players are tough. They're resilient. They're good kids."

O'Brien hopes to build on an 8-4 season in 2012, considered a resounding success given the unprecedented circumstances that faced the program weeks before training camp. Still, other sanctions remain in place.

The requirement to reduce the scholarship roster to 65 players — 20 fewer than allowed — for four seasons starts in 2014, though O'Brien has already started working with a pared-down scholarship roster. Penn State has added recruiting emphasis on its walk-on program to help replenish depth.

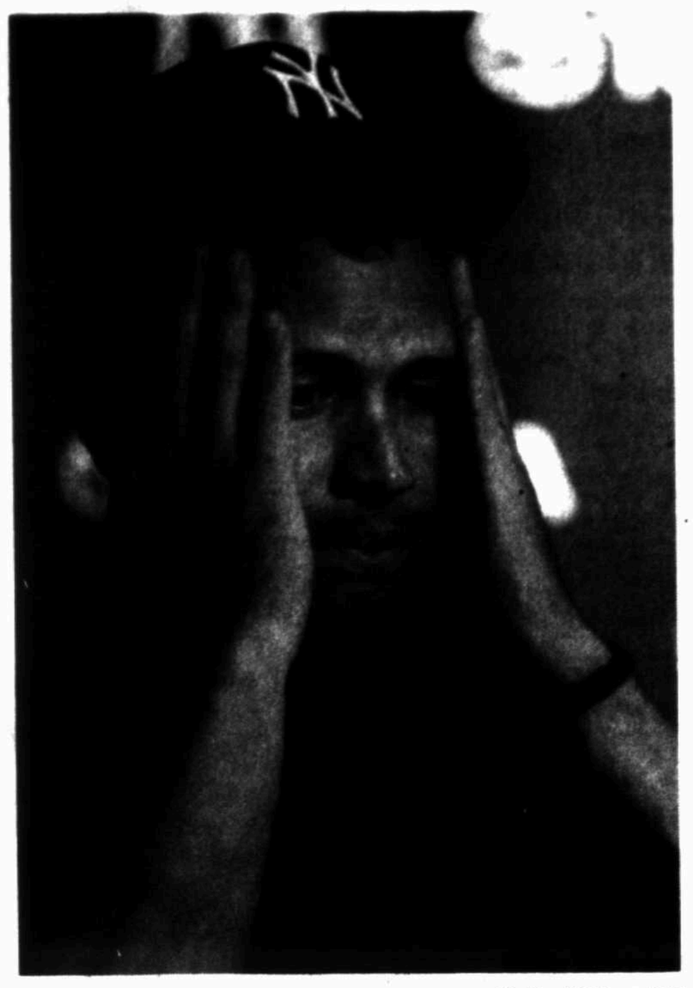
Three seasons remaining on a four-year bowl ban, with Penn State postseason-eligible again in the 2016 season.

Last year's successful season has built hope among fans that the team can stay competitive though the period in a Big Ten division that includes powerhouse Ohio State. O'Brien remains successful on the recruiting trail, including the arrivals of promising freshmen in potential starting quarterback Christian Hackenberg and tight end Adam Breneman.

The sanctions were handed down July 23, 2012, and the transfer waiver essentially set up a college version of NFL free agency as other schools tried to cherry-pick Nittany Lions. In the end, about 10 players took advantage of the rule in the period until the start of 2012 training camp, most notably star tailback Silas Redd (Southern California).

AP Source: MLB threatening A-Rod with lifetime ban

By Ronald Blum
Associated Press



Kathy Willens/AP

Alex Rodriguez, seen here as a member of the New York Yankees reacting in an Aug. 4, 2010 postgame press conference after hitting his 600th career home run at Yankee Stadium in New York, is being threatened with a lifetime ban.

NEW YORK — Major League Baseball is threatening to kick Alex Rodriguez out of the game for life unless the New York Yankees star agrees not to fight a lengthy suspension for his role in the sport's latest drug scandal, according to a person familiar with the discussions.

The person spoke to The Associated Press on Wednesday on condition of anoinymity because no statements were authorized.

Whether Commissioner Bud Selig would actually issue a lifetime suspension was unclear and a permanent ban could be shortened by arbitrator Fredric Horowitz to about 200 games, the person said.

The number of players likely to be disciplined stood at 14 Wednesday.

Front and center is Rodriguez, baseball's highest-paid player and the most prominent one linked in media reports over the past seven months to Biogenesis of America, a closed Florida anti-aging clinic that allegedly distributed banned performance-enhancing drugs.

The Yankees expected Rodriguez to be accused of recruiting other athletes for the clinic, attempting to obstruct MLB's investigation, and not being truthful with MLB in the past. Baseball has considered suspending him for violations of its labor contract and drug agreement.

Even if he is banned from baseball, there is precedent for a shortened penalty: When pitcher Steve Howe was given a lifetime ban in 1992 in his seventh suspension for drug or alcohol use, an arbitrator reduced the penalty to 119 days.

A three-time MVP, Rodriguez acknowledged four years ago that he used performance-enhancing substances while with Texas from 2001-03 but repeatedly has denied using them since.

He's been sidelined all season since hip surgery in January and then a quadriceps strain during a minor league rehabilitation assignment in July. The Yankees say he'll start another rehab Friday — Double-A Trenton appeared to be the likely destination.

"Hopefully Alex will be back shortly thereafter," Yankees general manager Brian Cashman said.

Rodriguez didn't stop to talk with reporters after his workout Wednesday at the team's minor league complex in Tampa, Fla.

At first, MLB and the union thought talks on the Biogenesis probe could be completed by Friday, but negotiations to avoid grievances are likely to push back announcements until at least Saturday or Sunday.

Others accused in media reports of receiving performance-enhancing drugs from Biogenesis include a trio of 2013 All-Stars: Texas outfielder Nelson Cruz, San Diego shortstop Everth Cabrera and Detroit shortstop Jhonny Peralta.

Most of the players face 50-game bans as first offenders. Both sides felt urgency to complete the process because by the middle of next week, teams will have fewer than 50 games left. And that would force players to complete suspensions during the playoffs or at the start of next season.

Detroit general manager Dave Dombrowski protected against a possible suspension of Peralta by acquiring slick-fielding infielder Jose Iglesias from Boston in a three-team trade Tuesday night.

"If it were a 15-day thing, like a typical injury, I think we could have comfortably dealt with it with the players we already have," Dombrowski said Wednesday. "But when you start to talk about 50 days and a possible playoff run, we feel better going ahead with Jose."

While MLB told the union which players it intends to suspend, it hasn't issued formal notices of discipline. Because of that, the countdown hasn't started under baseball's Joint Drug Agreement, which says the suspensions are effective on the third business day after the notice is issued.

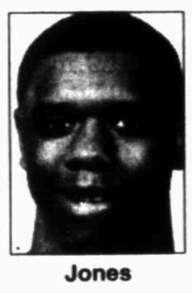
The sides also haven't decided whether suspensions for first-time offenders who challenge the penalty can be announced before an arbitration decision.

If some stars knew their seasons were about to be cut short, they weren't letting on Wednesday, at least publicly.

"I can't talk about nothing right now. Just wait for the news," Cabrera said Wednesday before playing against Cincinnati.

Rockets' Jones accused of stomping on man's leg

By Steve Dubois
Associated Press



Jones

PORTLAND, Ore. — Houston Rockets forward Terrence Jones was arrested in Portland, Ore., on Wednesday after he was seen stomping on a homeless man's leg, a police spokesman said.

A police sergeant making sure people remained orderly while they left a downtown club shortly after 2 a.m. saw the 6-foot-9 Jones walk by a doorway where two homeless men were sleeping and yell "Wake Up!" before lifting his foot and stomping on one man's leg, said Sgt. Pete Simpson, a Portland police spokesman.

Jones, 21, was booked into the Multnomah County Jail on a misdemeanor harassment charge. He was released on his own recognizance and later pleaded not guilty at his arraignment. He did not speak with reporters. His next court date is Sept. 6.

The homeless man, identified as 46-year-old Daniel Kellerher, had a minor injury that did not require immediate medical attention, Simpson said.

Jones graduated from Portland's Jefferson High School before attending the University of Kentucky.

The Rockets selected Jones with the 18th pick of the 2012 draft. He played sparingly in his rookie season, averaging 5.5 points in 19 games.

Rockets spokeswoman Tracey Hughes said the team had no comment, and Jones' agent, Arn Tellem, did not immediately return a phone message left with his secretary Wednesday.

Free agent G Devin Harris officially rejoins Mavs

Associated Press

DALLAS — Free agent Devin Harris has officially rejoined the Dallas Mavericks.

The 10th-year guard was acquired as the No. 5 pick on draft night in 2004 and spent his first 3 1/2 seasons with Dallas before a trade with New Jersey that brought Jason Kidd back to the Mavericks.

Harris originally agreed to join Dallas nearly a month ago, but the contract was held up by concerns over a toe injury.

He averaged 9.9 points and 3.4 assists per game for Atlanta last season and has career averages of 12.8 points and 4.9 assists.

Harris had his best season with the Nets in 2008-09, when he averaged 21.3 points and 6.9 assists and made the All-Star team.

Terms of the deal announced Wednesday weren't released.

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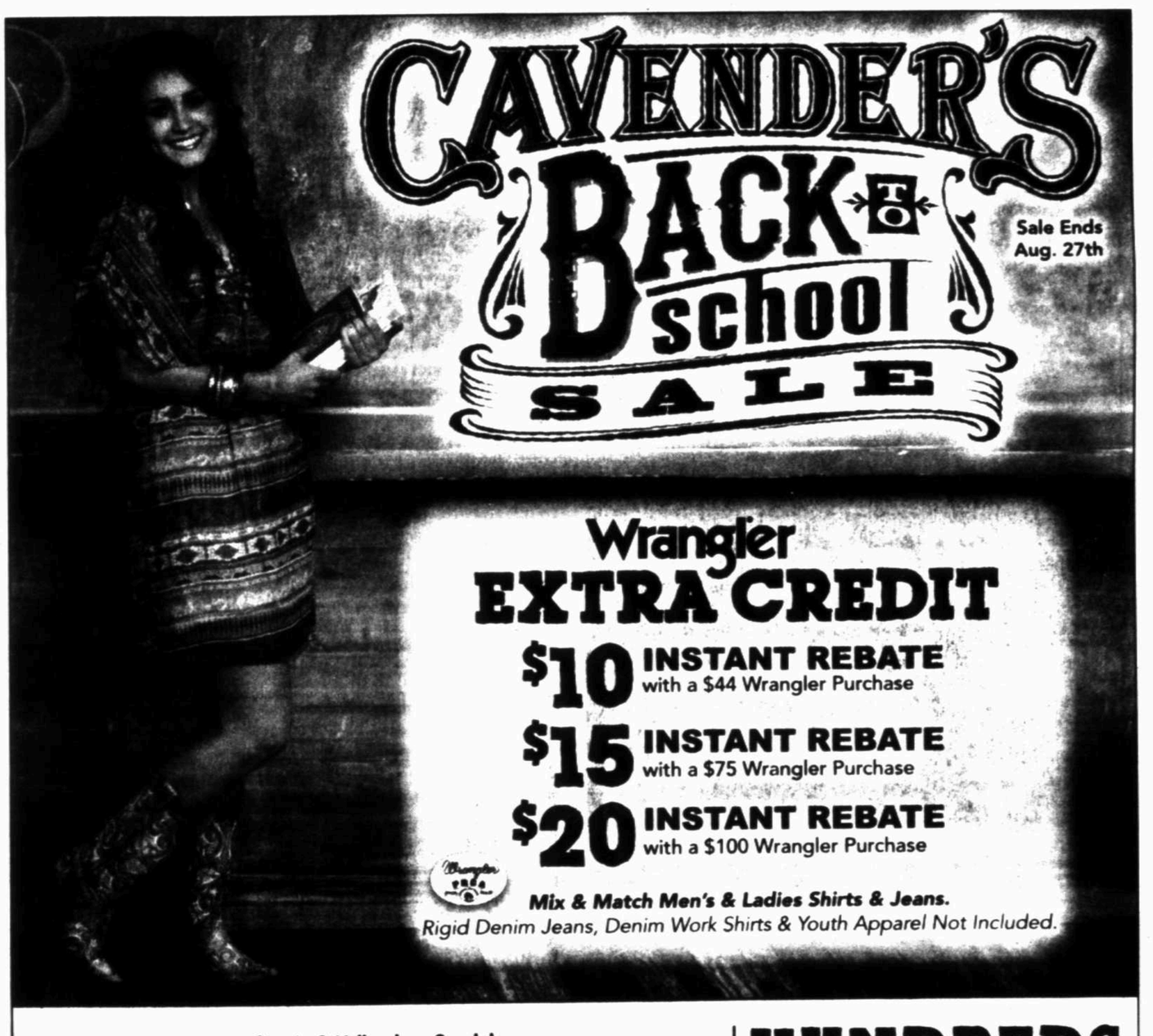

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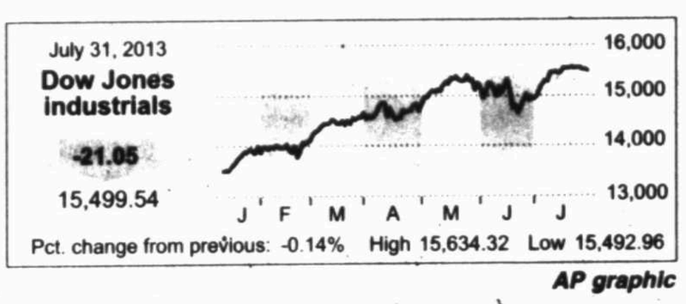

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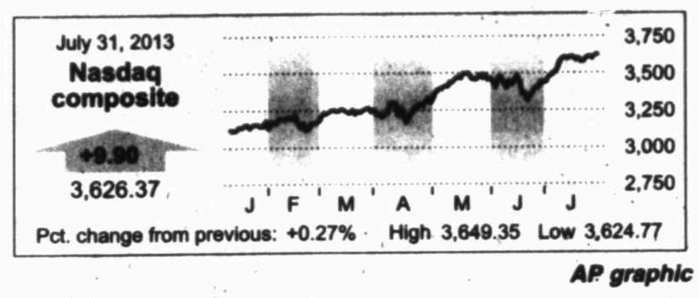

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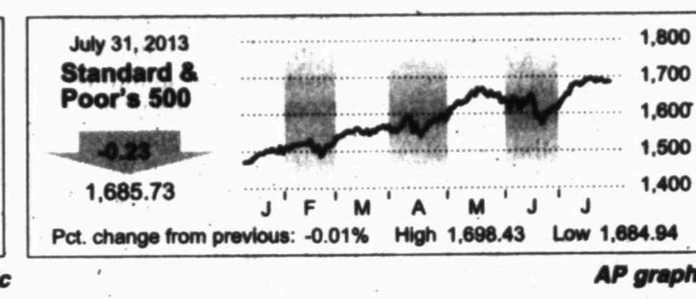

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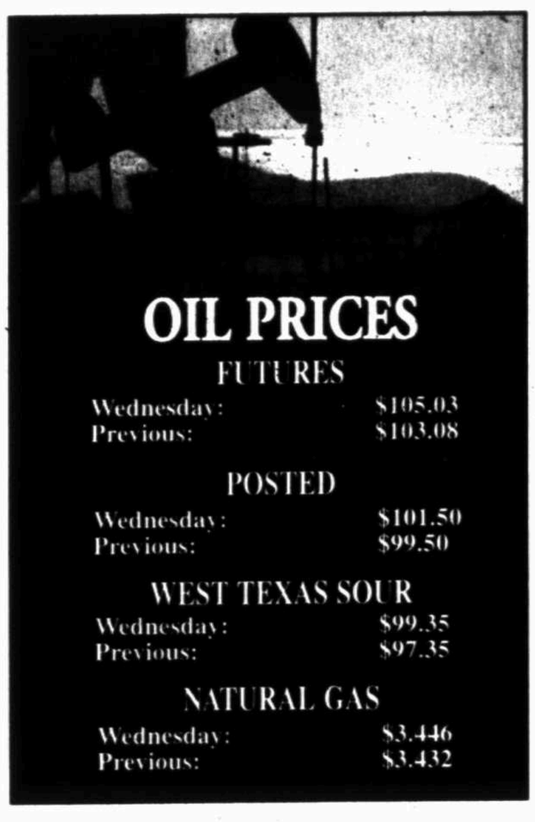

AP file photo

In this Jan. 5 photo, a person inserts a debit card into an ATM machine in Pittsburgh. A federal judge has struck down a rule setting a cap on the fees that banks can charge merchants for handling debit card purchases.

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
BkofAm	1247375	14.60	+.08
S&P500ETF	1241282	168.71	+.12
iShEMkts	773337	39.01	-.23
Potash	655755	29.00	-2.63
DxGldBll rs	437873	7.35	-.10

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
MagnaChip	20.56	+3.20	+18.4
GreenDot	23.28	+3.17	+15.8
InvenSense	17.68	+1.98	+12.6
Wabash	10.73	+1.13	+11.8
Imation	4.68	+.48	+11.4

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
CortsJCP	17.03	-2.07	-10.8
Penney	14.60	-1.66	-10.2
Mdbklns	7.59	-.84	-10.0
BeazHEqU	20.70	-2.30	-10.0
TCF Fn wt	2.96	-.32	-9.8

DIARY

Advanced	1,591
Declined	1,480
Unchanged	93
Total issues	3,164
New Highs	206
New Lows	75
Volume	3,751,804,459

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
InovioPhm	336678	1.75	-.12
NwGold g	46950	7.31	+.01
Organovo	43339	5.07	-.48
AlldNevG	28649	6.67	-.08
NA Pall g	26033	1.23	+.04

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
RELM	4.00	+.42	+11.7
RareEle g	2.39	+.24	+11.2
PacBkrM g	4.50	+.30	+7.1
SCEd pfB	22.00	+1.34	+6.5
EvansBc	19.69	+1.07	+5.8

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Organovo	5.07	-.48	-8.6
Augusta g	2.02	-.16	-7.3
FAB Univ	4.01	-.27	-6.3
Orbital	2.29	-.12	-5.0
UnvSecInst	5.42	-.28	-4.9

DIARY

Advanced	175
Declined	222
Unchanged	43
Total issues	440
New Highs	11
New Lows	20
Volume	120,782,700

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Facebook	1502449	36.80	-.83
Dell Inc	501996	12.66	-.20
MicronT	444646	13.24	+.64
Microsoft	422140	31.84	-.01
SiriusXM	323800	3.74	+.04

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
CardioNet	7.56	+2.09	+38.2
eHealth	30.74	+6.80	+28.4
Questcor	66.66	+14.75	+28.4
IntegrElec	5.89	+1.24	+26.7
Reliv Intl	3.66	+.66	+22.0

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
MeruNetw	3.60	-1.35	-27.3
JiveSoftw	13.42	-3.65	-21.4
Vitran g	4.90	-1.06	-17.8
Big 5Sprt	20.27	-4.09	-16.8
UraniumR rs	3.76	-.74	-16.4

DIARY

Advanced	1,370
Declined	1,126
Unchanged	113
Total issues	2,609
New Highs	193
New Lows	20
Volume	1,873,205,790

Judge strikes Fed's cap on debit 'swipe' fees

By Marcy Gordon
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A federal judge has struck down a rule setting a cap on the fees that banks can charge merchants for handling debit card purchases. He said the Federal Reserve didn't have the authority to set the limit the way it did in 2011, improperly including data that made the cap too high.

The ruling by U.S. District Court Judge Richard Leon on Wednesday handed a victory to a coalition of retail groups — which are seeking a lower cap — and a setback to banks. The retail groups had sued the Fed over its setting the cap at an average of about 24 cents per debit-card transaction.

The previously unregulated "swipe" fee averaged 44 cents. The Fed initially proposed a 12-cent cap, and the retailers had argued that the Fed buckled under pressure from bank lobbyists when it set the cap at double that level.

The Fed now must craft a new rule. The current one will remain in effect in the meantime.

"We are reviewing the judge's opinion," Fed spokeswoman Barbara Hagenbaugh said.

The cap is the first-ever limit on debit card fees. Before it took effect in October 2011, banks had negotiated such fees with merchants. A big chain like Starbucks would likely get a better rate than a local coffee shop because it handles more customers. The fees were typically based on a percentage of the purchase price.

The Fed rule was called for by the 2010 financial overhaul law, which was enacted in response to the 2008 crisis. But Leon said in his ruling that the Fed disregarded Congress's intent in passing the law by "inappropriately inflating all debit-card transaction fees by billions of dollars and failing to provide merchants with multiple unaffiliated networks for each debit-card transaction."

The retailers' lawsuit maintained that the cap is an "unreasonable interpretation" that exceeds the authority given to the Fed by the 2010 law. It also asserted that the Fed wrongly interpreted a provision of the law that requires that merchants have a choice of which bank network handles their transactions.

Leon agreed with the retailers' complaint that the Fed had deviated from the law's intent by factoring banks' expenses into the cap that the law didn't allow. He noted in the ruling that the Fed changed its earlier view that the only costs that should be considered were those involved in the authorization, clearing and settlement of a transaction. Instead, the ruling said, the Fed added costs such as losses from fraud that were outside the scope of the law.

Including costs for losses from fraud was for the Fed "a blatant act of policymaking that runs counter to Congress's will," Leon wrote.

The Fed in June 2011 formally set the cap for what banks can charge merchants at 21 cents for each debit-card transaction, plus an additional 0.05 percent of the purchase price to cover the cost of fraud protection.

Sen. Richard Durbin, D-Ill., the author of the provision of the 2010 law mandating a cap on swipe fees, called Leon's ruling a "victory for consumers and small business around the country (that) will lead to lower interchange rates for billions of debit-card transactions each year."

Durbin, who is the assistant majority leader in the Senate, had filed a legal brief supporting the retail groups' suit in the case.

Oil has big gain

The price of oil rose the most in three weeks amid signs that the U.S. economy is improving, but not fast enough for the Federal Reserve to reduce its monthly bond-buying program.

Still, many analysts don't expect a further spike in oil prices like the one seen earlier in July.

Benchmark oil gained $1.95, or 1.9 percent, to close at $105.03 per barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. That's the biggest one-day gain since oil rose $2.99 on July 10.

Traders were encouraged by two economic reports. The government said the economy grew at a better-than-expected annual rate of 1.7 percent in the second quarter. And a survey from payroll company ADP showed U.S. businesses created a healthy 200,000 jobs this month. The reports signal the possibility of improved demand for gasoline and other refined products such as diesel fuel.

Gasoline futures rose 3 cents to finish at $3.04 per gallon.

The Fed statement boosted the price of oil above $105. Oil finished the month of July with a gain of $8.47 a barrel, or 8.8 percent. That helped increase the cost of driving. Average gasoline prices rose 14 cents this month, to $3.63 a gallon Wednesday from $3.49 on July 1. AAA said it was the biggest monthly increase since February.

Gold ends lower

Gold and most other metals fell Wednesday, with the exception of copper.

Gold for December delivery fell $11.80 to $1,313 an ounce. September silver lost 5.2 cents to $19.628 an ounce.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $56.93 Down 1.07

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $89.69 Up 0.79

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $36.08 Up 0.08

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $38.18 Up 0.35

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $27.13 Up 0.53

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $5.51 Down 0.07

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $24.35 Up 0.29

Ring Energy (RNGE)
Closing Price $11.55 Down 0.05

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.80	27	35.27	-.15	+4.6
Abraxas	...	...	**2.43**	**+.01**	**+11.0**
AdamsEx	**.67e**	...	**12.45**	**-.01**	**+17.6**
AMD	...	...	3.77	-.05	+57.1
AlcatelLuc	...	...	2.54	+.08	+82.7
Alcoa	.12	29	7.95	-.08	-8.4
AlonUSA	.24f	6	13.66	+.40	-24.5
Amgen	**1.88**	**18**	**108.29**	**-2.91**	**+25.6**
Anadarko	**.36**	**26**	**88.52**	**-.28**	**+19.1**
Apache	**.80**	**17**	**80.25**	**-.33**	**+2.2**
ApldMatl	**.40**	...	**16.32**	**+.05**	**+42.6**
ATMOS	**1.40**	**17**	**44.24**	**-.20**	**+26.0**
AutoData	1.74	24	72.09	-.05	+26.6
BP PLC	**2.16**	**14**	**41.44**	**-.30**	**-.5**
BabsCCInv	1.20a	...	15.95	+.34	+4.4
BakrHu	.60	20	47.43	+.30	+16.1
BkofAm	.04	26	14.60	+.08	+25.8
BanPVix rs	...	...	15.07	-.34	-52.6
BarrickG	.80	5	16.97	-.23	-51.5
BasicEnSv	...	...	11.44	-.02	+.3
BerkHa A	...	**1717**	**3900.00**	**+334.00**	**+29.7**
BerryPet	**.32**	**13**	**40.55**	**+.62**	**+20.9**
BlkHillsCp	**1.52**	**19**	**53.05**	**+.29**	**+46.0**
BostonSci	...	...	10.92	+.09	+90.6
BrMySq	**1.40**	**53**	**43.24**	**-.09**	**+34.1**
Broadcom	.44	39	27.57	-.27	-17.0
BrownFA s	**1.02a**	**27**	**73.83**	**+.70**	**+20.0**
BrownFB s	**1.02a**	**26**	**72.51**	**+.97**	**+14.6**
CVS Care	.90	19	61.49	+.53	+27.2
Cameron	...	19	59.30	+1.35	+5.0
Caterpillar	2.40f	13	82.91	-.28	-7.5
Celestic g	...	23	10.58	+.16	+29.8
CntryLink	2.16	25	35.85	+.13	-8.4
ChesEng	.35	...	23.30	+.25	+40.2
Chevron	**4.00**	**10**	**125.89**	**+.11**	**+16.4**
Chicos	.22	16	17.13	+.09	-7.2
Cimarex	.56	19	76.43	+.54	+32.4
Cisco	.68	14	25.59	-.08	+30.2
Citigroup	.04	14	52.14	+.36	+31.8
ClayEng	...	...	**56.93**	**-1.07**	**+42.3**
CocaCola s	**1.12**	**21**	**40.08**	**-.24**	**+10.6**
ColgPalm s	**1.36**	**25**	**59.87**	**-.37**	**+14.5**
Comcast	.78	19	45.08	+2.37	+20.7
ConAgra	**1.00**	**17**	**36.21**	**-.24**	**+22.7**
ConchoRes	...	**22**	**89.69**	**+.79**	**+11.3**
ConocoPhil	**2.76f**	**11**	**64.86**	**+.03**	**+11.8**
Corning	.40	12	15.19	...	+20.4
CousPrp	.18	16	10.25	-.03	+22.8
CrackerB	3.00f	20	97.90	+.75	+52.3
CrosTim	**1.98e**	**12**	**27.59**	**+.13**	**+2.5**
DCP Mid	2.84f	41	52.67	+.89	+26.2
DTE	2.62	19	70.70	-.53	+17.7
Dataram rs	...	...	3.07	+.01	+55.1
Dell Inc	.32	12	12.66	-.20	+24.9
DevonE	**.88**	...	**55.01**	**+.12**	**+5.7**
DxGldBll rs	...	...	7.35	-.10	-86.6
Disney	**.75f**	**20**	**64.86**	**+.47**	**+29.8**
DowChm	**1.28**	**39**	**35.04**	**-.02**	**+8.4**
EDG Res	**.75**	**53**	**145.49**	**+1.39**	**+20.4**
Elan	...	...	15.40	-.11	+50.8
EmpDist	**1.00**	**17**	**23.18**	**-.16**	**+13.7**
Energen	.58	20	59.89	+3.37	+32.8
EngyTsfr	3.58	12	52.06	+.45	+21.3
EnPro	...	**29**	**56.83**	**+.08**	**+38.9**
EntPrPt	2.72f	22	62.03	+.50	+23.9
Ericsson	.43e	...	11.73	-.11	+16.1
ExterranH	...	...	**31.75**	**+.03**	**+44.8**
ExxonMbl	**2.52**	**10**	**93.75**	**-.06**	**+8.3**
Facebook	...	...	36.80	-.83	+38.2
FordM	.40	12	16.88	-.10	+30.3
ForestOil	...	16	5.12	+.08	-23.5
FrontierCm	.40	27	4.36	+.04	+1.8
FrozenFd h	...	...	**2.08**	...	**+133.7**
GATX	**1.24**	**17**	**45.18**	...	**+4.3**
GabMultT	**.80**	...	**9.95**	**+.01**	**+26.8**
GAInv	**2.00e**	...	**33.39**	**+.03**	**+20.0**
GenElec	**.76**	**18**	**24.37**	**-.11**	**+16.1**
GenMotors	...	13	35.87	-.63	+24.4
Genworth	...	11	12.99	-.37	+73.0
GtPlainEn	**.87**	**16**	**24.19**	**-.08**	**+19.1**
HalconRes	...	...	5.48	-.15	-20.8
Halliburtn	.50	16	45.19	-.04	+30.3
Herbalife	1.20	15	65.50	+5.46	+98.8
HewlettP	.58	...	25.68	-.10	+80.2
HuntBncsh	.20	12	8.55	+.11	+33.8
iShBrazil	1.36e	...	43.50	-.17	-22.2
iShJapan	.15e	...	11.23	-.01	+15.1
iShChinaLC	.93e	...	34.26	-.14	-15.3
iShEMkts	.77e	...	39.01	-.23	-12.0
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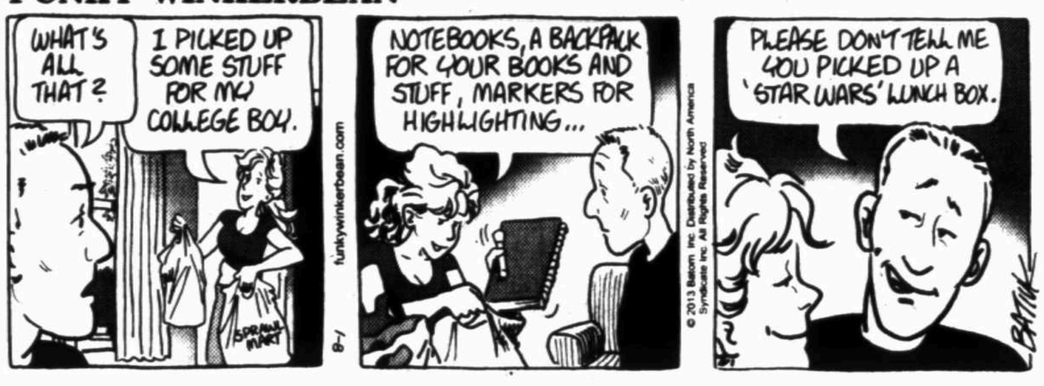

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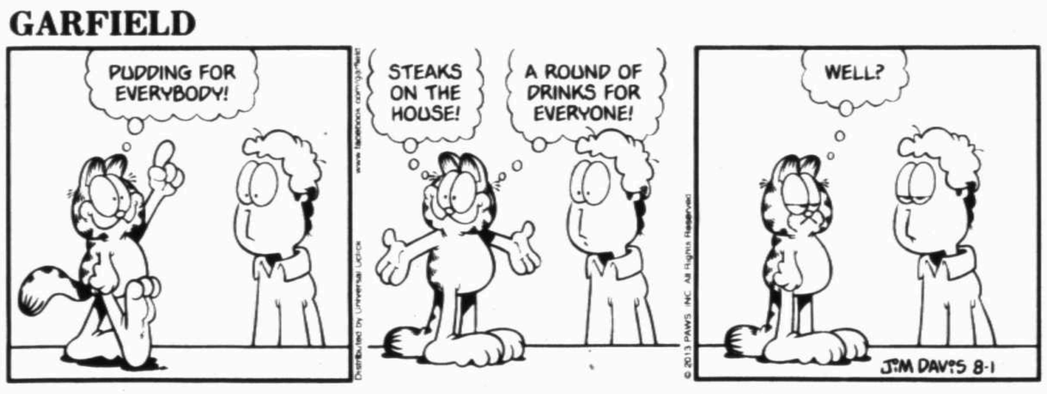

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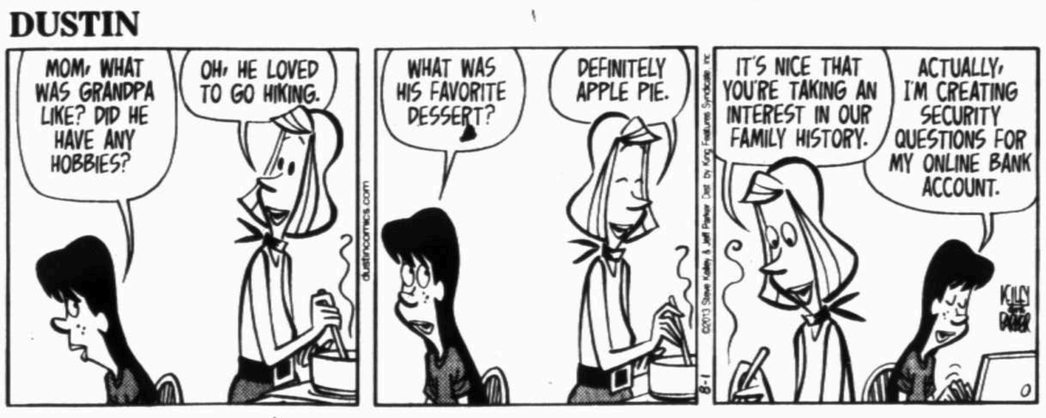

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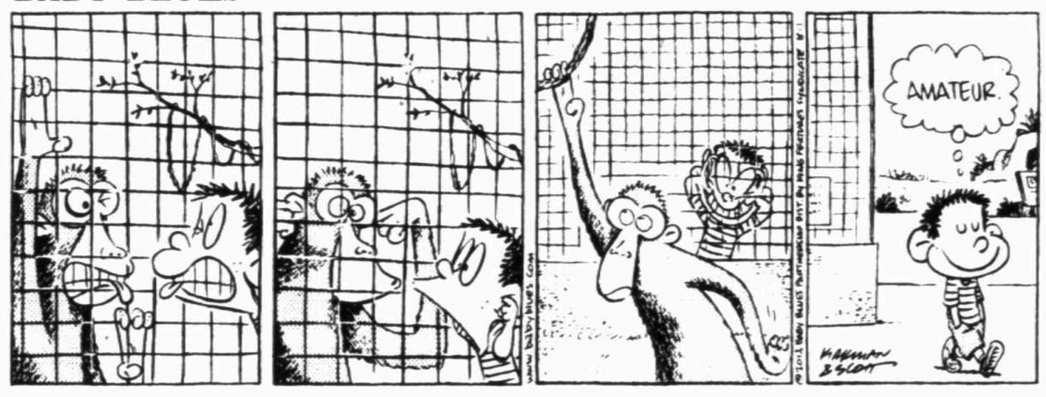

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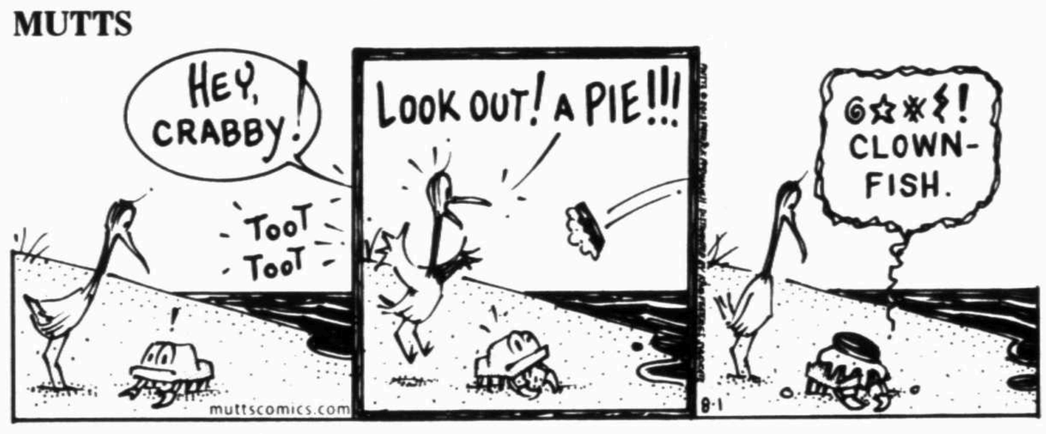

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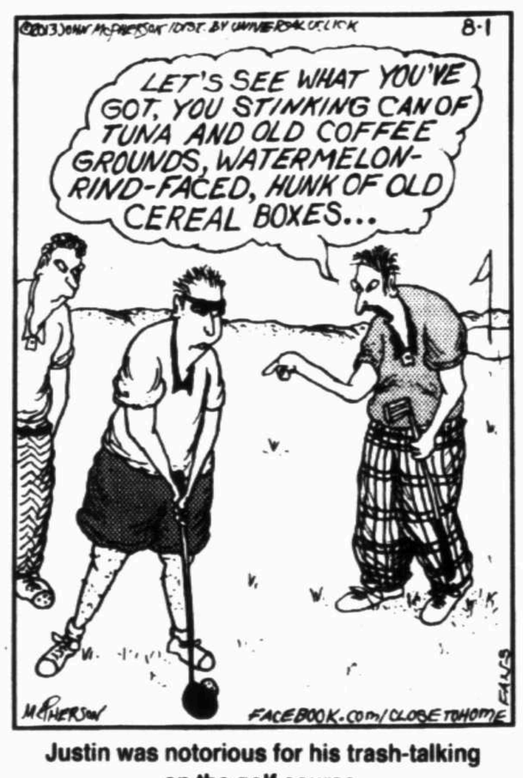

Justin was notorious for his trash-talking on the golf course.

DENNIS THE MENACE

"My Mom can't come to the phone. She's in the middle of her labor."

LOCKHORNS

"I'M NOT SHOPPING, LEROY... I'M JUST SEEING WHAT I DON'T HAVE THAT I WANT."

FAMILY CIRCUS

"This mud doesn't taste very good. I think you forgot to add salt."

Franklin makes it 3 for 3 at swimming worlds

By Paul Newberry
Associated Press

Michael Sohn/AP

Missy Franklin smiles after winning the gold medal in the women's 200-meter freestyle final at the FINA Swimming World Championships in Barcelona, Spain on Wednesday.

BARCELONA, Spain — Missy Franklin gave up her bid for eight gold medals — and it sure paid off.

She's now 3 for 3 at the world swimming championships.

Franklin held off hard-charging Federica Pelligrini to win the 200-meter freestyle on Wednesday night, claiming a title the recent high school graduate really wanted and justifying her decision to cut back on the program in Barcelona.

The 18-year-old American entered eight events, giving her a chance to match Michael Phelps as the only swimmers to win that many events at a major championship.

But, after a tough double on Tuesday and a lackluster showing in the morning preliminaries, Franklin and her coach, Todd Schmitz, decided to scratch the 50 backstroke — a non-Olympic event that she swims mainly for fun, though she did take bronze at the 2011 worlds in Shanghai.

There was only a 20-minute break between the semifinals of the 50 back and the final of the 200 free, and the latter was much more important to Franklin. She just missed a medal in that event at the London Olympics, losing out for third by a hundredth of a second.

"We decided that maybe the risk kind of outdid the rewards," Franklin said. "So we decided not to do it. It was fun to swim it this morning but I'm really happy with the decision to scratch and just do this."

France's Camille Muffat went out hard, leading after the first lap and 0.75 under the world-record pace. But Franklin edged ahead at the midway point and held off Pelligrini of the Italy, the world-record holder, to win in 1 minute, 54.81 seconds.

Pelligrini claimed silver, 0.33 behind the winner, while Muffat settled for the bronze.

Midway through the swimming portion of the championships, Franklin still has four events to go. She'll be a big favorite in the 200 back, and she'll be on two more relay teams that have a good shot at gold. The 100 free presents her biggest challenge, though it would be foolish to put anything past Franklin.

She was fifth in that event at the Olympics, but has spent the past year working diligently to improve her freestyle stroke.

That was obvious in the 200 free.

"We're coming down the mountain now," Franklin said. "This is what we prepared for, this kind of event through eight days. I'm really, really happy with my swim there. You kind of use each swim to motivate you for the next swim."

It was a good night for South Africa, which claimed two gold medals.

Chad le Clos, best known for his upset win over Phelps at the Olympics, showed he's still the man to beat in the 200 butterfly. He went back and forth with Poland's Pawel Korzeniowski before turning it on the final lap to win in 1:54.32.

Elite field ready for major tuneup at Bridgestone

By Rusty Miller
Associated Press

AKRON, Ohio — In the dark, head-to-head, 11 shots clear of the pack, from rooftops and in every other conceivable way, Tiger Woods has dominated at Firestone Country Club.

He just says it makes him feel comfortable.

"I've done it all different ways, that's the thing," Woods said Wednesday, the day before beginning his run at an eighth win at the Bridgestone Invitational. "Some years I've striped it and have really played well, and other years I've hit it all over the lot and had to be creative. I've chipped and putted and holed out. It's been such a mixed bag."

Woods, coming off a disappointing British Open and steeling for the PGA Championship next week at Oak Hill, headlines a bumper crop of world-class players who are entered. The 73-player field includes 49 of the top 50 players in the world ranking, including this year's major champions (Adam Scott, Justin Rose, Phil Mickelson), last year's winner (Keegan Bradley) and European stars Rory McIlroy, Graeme McDowell and Lee Westwood.

Yet, Woods always seems to grab the spotlight. That's what happens when a player has won more than $9.5 million in just 14 appearances at a single venue.

Woods' first win, in what was then called the NEC Invitational, came in 1999 when he shot a third-round 62 to win in his third appearance, holding off Mickelson by a shot. A year later, Woods' triumphal march to an 11-shot victory on the final day was delayed by inclement weather, with his final putt finding the bottom of the cup in almost total darkness. The strobe lights of photographers made it look like a scene from an old movie.

The year after that, Woods overcame Jim Furyk in an epic, seven-hole, sudden-death playoff for his third win in a row at Firestone.

After finishing fourth, tying for fourth and tying for second the next three years, Woods strung together wins in his next four appearances. The win in 2006 is remembered for a wayward 9-iron shot that hit on the cart path near the ninth hole and bounced onto the roof of the clubhouse, the ball being pocketed by a kitchen helper.

Woods won by eight shots in 2007 and then missed the tournament the following year as he recovered from knee surgery. Even that didn't halt his string as he returned in 2009 and took advantage of Padraig Harrington's triple-bogey 8 on the 70th hole to win by four strokes.

"This is one of those courses where, for me over the years, I just have felt very comfortable," Woods said. "I think my record has been pretty good since I've turned pro here."

But, as there always seems to be with Woods since his personal meltdown, there are nagging questions. After streaking to 14 major championship victories, he has failed to win in his last 17 tries.

The latest disappointment came at Muirfield two weeks ago when he seemed in perfect spot to win but faded to a closing 74 and watched rival Mickelson come out of nowhere to swoop in and grab the claret jug.

US Open singles champs to get record $2.6 million

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press

All singles players at the U.S. Open are getting a big raise this year, from the record $2.6 million each champion will take home, to the $32,000 for everyone losing in the first round.

The U.S. Tennis Association announced the breakdown of its across-the-board prize money overhaul at the Grand Slam tournament Wednesday, four months after saying it would add more than $8 million to the pool.

The total payout, including per diems for players, will be $34.3 million, up from $25.5 million in 2012. That's an increase of about 35 percent overall.

Last year's singles champions at Flushing Meadows, Serena Williams and Andy Murray, won $1.9 million apiece. The $700,000 tacked on this time represents a rise of 37 percent.

Runners-up will get $1.3 million (up from $950,000), semifinalists $650,000 (up from $475,000) and quarterfinalists $325,000 (up from $237,500), which all also are increases of 37 percent.

The percentage jumps in earlier rounds are slightly higher. Players losing in the fourth round of singles will be paid $165,000 (up from $120,000), in the third round $93,000 (up from $65,000) and in the second round $53,000 (up from $37,000).

The $32,000 that first-round exits earn this year is up 39 percent from the $23,000 in 2012 — and is more than the $30,000 that the singles champions earned in 1976.

Doubles prize money will go up about 13 percent in 2013, while paychecks for qualifying will total $1.4 million, a 37.5 percent jump.

Main-draw singles play at the U.S. Open starts Aug. 26, with the women's final on Sept. 8, and the men's final scheduled Sept. 9.

In March, the USTA said it would increase its annual prize money to $50 million by 2017 — nearly double what it was last year — as part of an unprecedented five-year agreement with the men's and women's professional tours. The USTA said then that it did not plan to fund the higher prize money with a similar leap in ticket prices.

Players have been seeking a larger slice of Grand Slam revenues, and the sport's four most prestigious tournaments are complying.

This year's singles champions at Wimbledon, for example, each received about $2.4 million, up from $1.75 million in 2012, while overall prize money at the All England Club increased about 40 percent. A first-round loser got about $35,800, up from $22,100 in 2012.

Roger Federer, owner of a record 17 major titles and president of the ATP Player Council, joined other top men, including No. 1-ranked Novak Djokovic, in lobbying the Grand Slam tournaments to raise prize money.

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Midland Little League Umpires Needed
For more info: Contact 889-6080.

Minor League Baseball scorekeepers needed
What: Baseball Info Solutions needs scorekeepers for Midland RockHounds games.
Qualifications: Demonstrate knowledge of baseball and baseball scorekeeping, computer proficiency and the ability to learn and use the provided software, and regular ability to attend nSight and weekend games in person.
For more info: Contact Don Masi at milb scorers@yahoo.com or phone 210-471-1676 for information and website. All inquiries will be answered.

Midland Drillers Evaluation Day
What: Drillers will be holding an evaluation workout for players for the 2014 season.
When: July 28. Ages 8-9, 2-3:30 p.m.; Ages 10-12, 3:30-5 p.m.
Where: Mid City Little League.
For more info: Contact 617-4487.

West Texas ABA Fall Showcase Tryout
When: 9 a.m., Aug. 20 (incoming freshman and sophomores); Aug. 21 (incoming juniors and seniors).
Where: Lubbock.
For more info: Go to www.ababaseball.com or call Ryan Brewer at 505-730-6879.

Basketball

Permian Basketball Association needs officials
For more info: Jim Cox, 685-4143 or 553-3714.

YMCA needs basketball referees
For more info: 682-2551.

Lunch break Pick-up Basketball
When: Noon-1 p.m., Monday-Friday.
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut Lane.
For more info: Call 413-0521.

Monday Night Skills Training
When: Starting May 6, 1st hr session: 3rd to 6th grade, 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m., 2nd hr session: 7th to high school, 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Where: Lifehouse Fellowship Gym: 300 Thomas St.
Cost: $15 per session.
For more info: Contact Eddie Venzant, venzanteddie@yahoo.com or 432-254-6894.

Hidden Gems in West Texas Showcase
When: Aug. 9-10.
Where: Big Spring.
For: Middle school and high school age players.
Cost: $75.
Deadline: July 26.
For more info: Contact Roy Green at 512-917-0946 or rgreen10@att.net.

Bowling

Tuesday Night Petroleum Men's League
When: Meets at 6:45 p.m.
For more info: Melton Post 684-5176 or Cactus Lanes 694-0177.

Edith McElmore Three-Person League
When: 10 a.m. Wednesdays.
Where: AMF Lanes.
For more info: Call AMF Lanes at 689-9725.

Camps/Clinics

Ten Star All Star Camp
For whom: Boys and girls ages 10-19.
For more info: Call (704) 373-0873 for a brochure.

COM Aquatic Camps
What: Swimming, diving, snorkeling.
Ages: Preschool and grade school.
For more info: Call 684-7755.

Beginner tennis clinics
Where: Midland High School tennis courts.
When: Monday-Thursday from 8:30 to 10 a.m. or 7 to 8:30 p.m.
For: Kindergarten-12th grade, community-based organizations, parents and adults.
Deadline: Two weeks before week wanting to attend.
For more info: Call Luis Valdez at 570-6245, Brandi at 687-7059 or Elizabeth at 699-6058.

YMCA Basketball Skills Clinic
When: Every Saturday.
Times: 1 p.m.-3:45 p.m. for grades 3 through 12.
Cost: YMCA Family member: free. YMCA Youth member: $5 and program participant: $10 per visit.
For more info: Call Midland YMCA at 682-2551.

Midland Christian Mustang Summer Camps
X-Factor Weight Clinic
When: 6-8 p.m., July 1-Aug. 8.
For: Boys and girls entering grades 5th-8th.
Tennis
For: Ages 4-8.
Cost: $100.
For more info: Contact jlanier@midlandchristianschool.org.

Cycling

Permian Basin Bicycle Association Meetings
When: 7 p.m., third Monday of every month.
Where: Atmos Energy's Fischer Community Room, 2304 Loop 40, Midland International Airport.
Dues: $25/$30 for a family.
For more info: Peyton's Bikes 699-1718 or go to www.pbbatx.com.

Dodgeball

Sticks and Kicks Leagues
Who: Kids, adults, co-ed players.
Cost: $35 per player (8 game season).
Where: Register at Sticks and Kicks, 3918 W Wall.
For more info: Call 520-6633.

Fitness

Beach Body
When: 7-8 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday.
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut.
Note: Instructor is Tommy Hindman.
For more info: Call 685-7355.

P-90X/Beach Body Fitness Club
When: 12-1 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday.
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut.
For more info: Call 685-7355.

Yoga
When: 5:30-6:30 p.m., Tuesdays & Thursdays.
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut.
For more info: Call 685-7355.

Cardio/Core
When: 11 a.m., Tuesdays & Thursday.
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut.
For more info: Call 685-7355.

Flag Football

YMCA Officials Needed
What: The YMCA needs officials for Youth Flag Football games Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
For more info: Call 682-2551.

Football

Permian Basin Officials Chapter seeks officials
Note: Education and training will be provided.
For more info: Call Terrell Pierce at 559-5004 or Don Orren at 631-2395.

Midland Lee Rebel Football Camp
When: Aug. 5-8.
Where: Lee High School.
For: 8:30-10 a.m., incoming 1st through 5th grades; 10:30 a.m.-noon, incoming 6th through 8th graders.
Cost: $50 per athlete.

Golf

Hogan Park Junior Golf Summer Program
When: Session III: Aug. 5-9. Check-in, 9:30 a.m.. Clinic, 10 a.m.-Noon.
For: Boys and girls ages 9-17.
Cost: $100 per session.
For more info: Call Hogan Park Golf Shop at 685-7360 or jon@hoganparkgolf.com.

Pee Wee Golf Summer Program
When: Session III: Aug. 5-7. Check-in, 8 a.m. Clinic, 8:30-9:30 a.m.
For: Boys and girls 4-8.
Cost: $70.
For more info: Call Hogan Park Golf Shop at 685-7360 at jon@hoganparkgolf.com.

Ice Hockey

Jackalopes Amateur Hockey Association
Where: MCM Ice, Odessa.
When: May through August.
What: Hockey 101 Skills and Drill every Tuesday, 7-8 p.m., for beginners to advanced. Power skating every Saturday, 13 year olds, 8:30-10 a.m., 14 year olds, 10:15-11:45 a.m.
Cost: $15 per class, helmet required.
For more info: Contact jaxyouthhockey@hotmail.com or call 661-3453.

Martial Arts

Aikido
When: Monday-Friday, 7 to 9 p.m.; Saturdays, 12:30 p.m.
Note: Specializing in traditional Hombu style Aikido.
For more info: Call John Riggs, 684-7008 or 770-3155.

Cardio Kickboxing Class
When: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Where: Jimenez Tae Kwon-Do and Fitness Studio, 4400 N. Midland Dr.
Cost: $35 a month.
For more info: Call 689-8139.

Women's Self Defense Class
When: Monday and Wednesday, 8:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Friday, 6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.
Where: Jimenez Tae Kwon-Do Studio, 4400 N. Midland Dr.
For more info: Call 697-8554.

Private Tae Kwon-Do lessons
Where: Jimenez Tae Kwon-Do Studio, 4400 N. Midland Dr.
For more info: Call 697-8554.

Brazilian Jiu Jitsu
When: 6-8 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, 2-3 p.m. Saturdays.
Where: Perez Martial Arts Academy, 350 N. Midland Dr., Suite A.
For more info: Call 634-9621 or (469) 248-8472.

Matthews Martial Arts
When: Monday through Thursday, 5-8 p.m.
What: Karate-Judo-Jujitsu-Kempo-KungFu.
For: Ages 3 and up.
Where: 3205 Cuthbert.
For more info: Contact Jason Matthews at 488-7467 or 689-8444.

Taekwondo
When: 6-7 p.m. Tuesday nights; Saturdays, 10-11 a.m.
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut.
For more info: Call 685-7355.

Miscellaneous

Student-Athlete Sports Consultant
For: Assisting high school student athletes with academic-athletic scholarships.
For more info: Call Jacob Santillano at (915) 240-1030.

Etiquette
When: 6-7 p.m. Tuesdays.
Note: Instructors is Natalie Cargile.
For more info: Call 685-7355.

Poker

Lone Star Poker League
What: Free to play Texas Hold 'em Poker tournaments.
For: Beginners to experienced players. Ages 21 and up.
When/where: 7 p.m., Sunday, Wednesday and Friday at Woofers & Tweeters; 7 p.m., Monday and Tuesday at The Detour. Players must be signed in by 6:45 p.m. each night.
For more info: Go to www.lonestarpokertournet.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

Midland Mad Dog Rugby Club
What: Recruiting for 2012-13 season; no experience necessary.
For: Participants 16 years and older; need shorts, t-shirt or jersey, cleats or running shoes; watch.
When: Practice is 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.
For more info: Go to www.maddogrugby.com.

Midland Rugby (Bloodhounds) Club
For more info: Call Joshua 661-7147.

HHD Dads & Lads Rugby
When: 7-8:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays.
Where: Coweden Park.
For more info: 212-6088.

Running

Permian Basin Running Club
Cost: $20 per year for individual membership; $30 for per year for family membership.
For more info: Go to www.pbrunningclub.com or email Shawn Hailey, president at haileyshawn@pbrunningclub.com.

Gazelles Training Group
When: 6 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
For more info: Call Popcorn Leonard at 512-762-1020 or 682-0988.

Martin County EMS Labor Day 4 mile Run/Walk
When: Monday, Sept. 2. Registration, 8 a.m., race begins, 9 a.m.
Where: 1101 Broadway, Stanton.
Cost: $20 prior to Aug. 30; $25 after Aug. 31 and on day of race.
For more info: Contact Bob Tevera at 661-8597 or Stacey Harris at 230-7228.

We send out Hart's to Zambia 5K Fun Run/Walk
When: Registration 8 a.m., race, 9 a.m.; Aug. 3.
Where: Scenic Mountain State Park, Big Spring.
Cost: $30.
For more info: Contact Shawn Hart at 238-0642 or at ed. rn101@yahoo.com or Lauren Hart at 213-0790 or laurenpfluger@hotmail.com.

Shooting

Comanche Trail Shootists
What: Single Action Shooting Society affiliated club in Midland.
When: Monthly shoots first Saturday and third Sunday of each month; first Saturday beginning at 10 a.m., Third Sunday from 1 p.m. (Mandatory safety meeting at 12:30 p.m.) Also shoot on fifth Sunday on months that have them (begin at 1 p.m. and are no cost to the shooter). Mandatory safety meeting at 9:30 a.m.
Where: Timberline Ranch adjacent to Jake's Clays.
For more info: Go to comanchetrailshootists.org or call Hoodoo Brown 682-1422.

Midland Shooters Association
What: All types of shooting practice and competition, featuring archery, benchrest rifle, bullseye rifle, high power rifle, pistol silhouette, rimfire silhouette, 3 gun, practical pistol, skeet, trap, 5 state and sporting clays.
When: Members can access rifle and pistol ranges from sunrise to sunset seven days a week. Shotgun ranges open 11 a.m. until dusk Wednesday to Sunday.
For more info: Go to www.midlandshooters.com.

Soccer

Permian Basin Soccer Association
What: Registration for women's spring/summer season.
Where: Dunagan Park, located at corner of Gist and Terrell.
When: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 7 to 8:30 p.m.
For more info: Contact Jesus Chavez at 557-7032 anytime or Josh Chavez at 238-6947 after 6:30 p.m.

Midland Soccer Association
For: Youth Recreational League Ages 4-18.
When: Spring/Fall Games.
Note: Also information on becoming a certified referee.
For more info: Register online at www.midlandsoccer.com and go to 432-684-5425.

Softball

Midland Softball Association Tournament Schedule
Now available at www.midlandsoftball.com.
For more info: call Tommy Hawkins at 520-9100.

Midland Men's Woodbat Fastpitch Association
What: Men's fastpitch softball.
For more info: Call 634-6474 or visit www.facebook.com/pages/Midland-Texas-Mens-Fastpitch or wydafastpitch@gmail.com.

USA Softball Jr. Men's National Fastpitch Team looking for players
For: Boys players born between 1995 and 1998.
Note: No softball experience is needed.
For more info: Tim Lyon, USA Jr Men's National Team coach, 801-244-7477 or Dave Parker, West Texas Men's Fastpitch Association, 634-6474 or wydafastpitch@gmail.com.

Swimming

COM Pre-competitive swimming
Where: Mabee Aquatic Center.
Cost: $49 per month.
Prerequisite: Must be able to swim 25 yards or freestyle or backstroke.
For more info: 684-7755.

COM Water Aerobics Classes
When: All times, Monday through Saturday.
Who: All skill levels.
For more info: Call Tommy McAlister at 684-7755.

COM Learn to Swim
Ages: All ages.
Note: Private, semi-private and group lessons are available.
For more info: 684-7755.

COM Masters Swimming
What: Competitive or non-competitive program for adults of all skill levels.
When: 5:45 a.m., 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday, Wednesday, Friday.
Cost: $40 per month (includes cardio training).
For more info: Call 684-7755.

COM Diving Instruction
Who: All ages and levels invited.
For more info: 684-7755.

COM Learn to Dive
What: Learn basic skills for beginners then advance to pre-competitive and competitive diving that emphasize skilled diving techniques and participation in diving meets.
Ages: 4 and up.
For more info: 684-7755.

COM Competitive Dive Team
Who: Try out for Bronze, Silver, Gold Prep or Gold levels of COM Dive Team.
What: Emphasizes is on diving techniques and participation in local and out of town competitive meets.
For more info: 684-7755.

COM Elite Dive Team
What: Highest level of COM diving. Concentrates on perfecting Olympic level skills, national and international travel.
For more info: 684-7755.

COM Competitive Swim Team
Who: Try out for COM Swim Team, tryouts available by appointment.
What: Emphasizes stroke correction and participation in local and out of town competitive meets.
For more info: 684-7755.

COM Adult Conditioning
What: Allows adult participation use of top quality lap pools and fitness room during specified hours.
For more info: 684-7755.

COM Water Walking Class
What: Unstructured, self-paced class.
For more info: Call Tommy McAlister at 684-7755.

COM Senior Fitness Class
Who: Senior citizens that need help with physical conditions resulting from injury, disease, chronic conditions, advanced age, etc.
For more info: Call Tommy McAlister at 684-7755.

Central YMCA Water Aerobics Classes
When: Early morning, morning and evening.
For more info: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551.

Central YMCA Arthritis Water Exercise Classes
When: Monday, Wednesday, Friday.
For more info: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551.

Central YMCA Swimming Lessons
Who: All ages and ability.
For more info: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551.

Central YMCA Synchronized Swimming
For: Ages 6 and up.
For more information: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551.

Tennis

West Texas Tennis Association
What: West Texas Tennis Association, a non-profit community tennis association, promotes and oversees USTA leagues, programs and events in the area.
For more info: Call 432-563-1333 or www.westtexastennis.com for more information.

Bush Tennis Center Youth Clinics
What: Tennis clinics for beginners to advanced players ranging from preschoolers to high school seniors. Ages 3-5, balloon tennis; ages 6-8, Quick Start (red ball); ages 9-10, Quick Start (orange and green ball); ages 11-18, junior development; all levels of adult programs.
Where: Bush Tennis Center.
For more info: Visit www.bushtenniscenter.com and click on "Programs & Events" or call, 620-8180.

USTA Team Tennis Adult Leagues
When: Leagues run May through November.
Where: Midland College Tennis Center.
For more info: Sherry 620-8610 or Email www.midlandtennis@aol.com.

WTTA/USPTA Junior Circuit
For: Boys and girls singles players, ages 10-18.
When: Sept. 18, Oct. 10.
Register: By the Thursday before each event.
Where: Midland College Tennis Center.
For more info: Contact Lance or Kathy at 694-6321.

Midland Tennis Club (MTC)
What: MTC is a non-profit public tennis club for all ages, all levels. Tournaments are free for members. Non-members may play by paying a tournament fee.
When: Aug. 17-18; Sept. 14-15; Sept. 21-22; Nov. 16-17.
Where: Midland College Tennis Center.
Annual dues: $65 Adults, $30 Youths, $140 Families.
Call: 687-4046 or 563-1333 to join.

Midland College tennis classes
When: Tuesdays and Thursdays 12:30 to 1:50 p.m.
Where: Midland College.
For more info: Midland College 685-4500 or Lance Armstrong 687-4046.

Youth Clinics
When: For children 4-8 years of age (Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:30 to 4 p.m.) and 9-15 years of age (Mondays and Wednesdays, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. and 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Where: Midland College Tennis Center.
For more info: 687-4046.

Midland Women's Tennis Association fall league
For more info: 689-4340.

Walking

Midland Walkabout AWA Club Meetings
When: Fun Walks, 10K, 3rd Saturday morning of the month; Monthly meeting 3rd Sunday at 5 p.m.
Where: Fun Walks, vary; meetings in Room 227, First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas Ave.
Who: All ages.
For more info: Call Alex Rose 697-2688 or go to www.midlandwalkabout.org.

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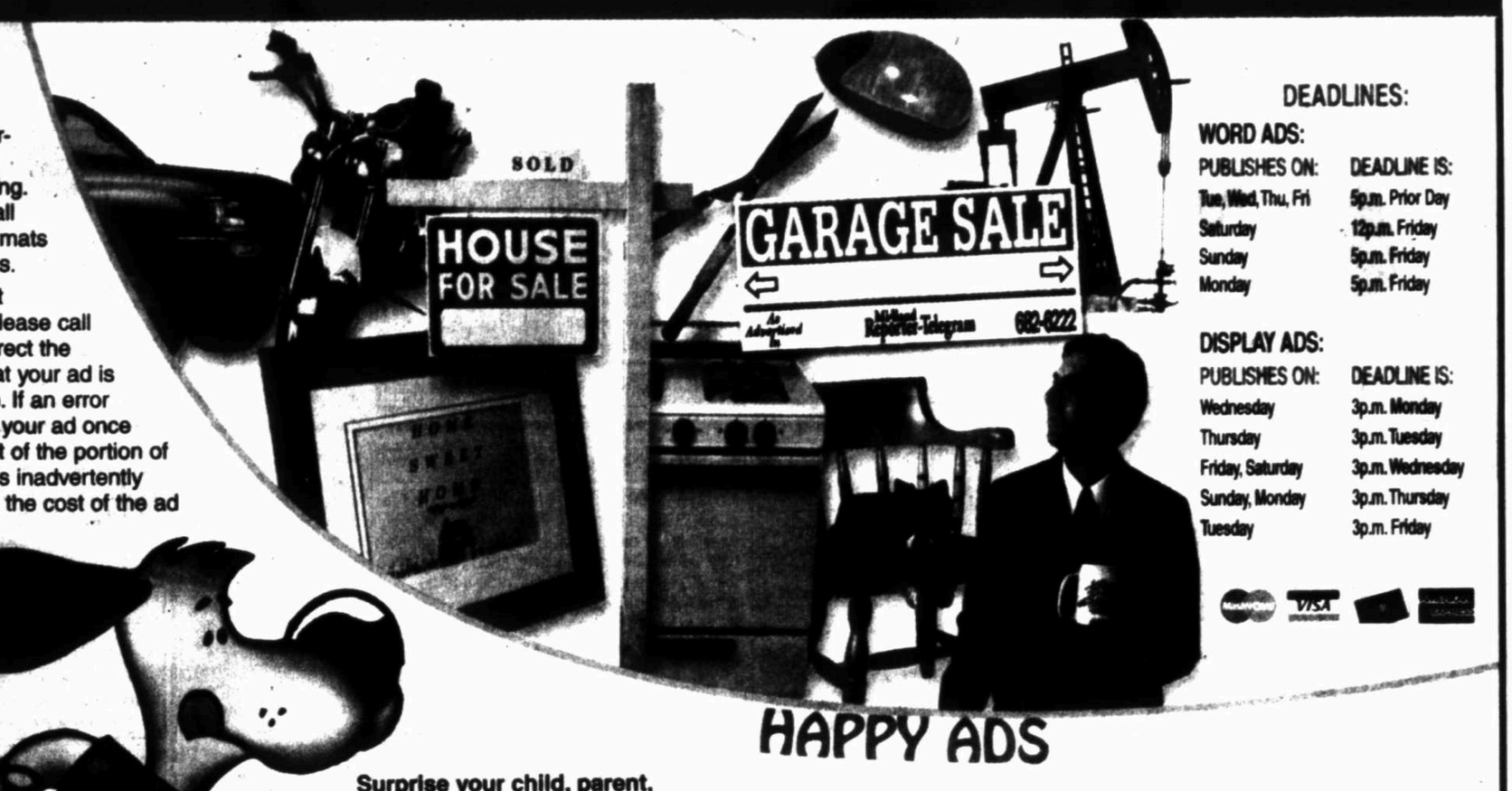

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Public Notice
Proposal #2014-001

Midland College District is accepting competitive sealed proposals for campus painting services for various projects throughout the contract term of September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2015. Proposal packets may be picked up Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., in the Purchasing Office, located at 3600 N Garfield, Midland, Texas. **Proposals will be accepted until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 13, 2013** in the Purchasing Office, at which time they will be opened and vendor names read into record. For proposal packet information contact Barbara Fennell, Purchasing Agent, (432)686-4250 or bfennell@midland.edu. A final determination may be made at a future board meeting. The College reserves the right to accept or reject any and or all bids submitted.

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF JO ANNE DAUGHERTY, DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Jo Anne Daugherty, deceased, were issued to Don Eugene Daugherty, Independent Executor, on July 30, 2013, in the proceeding styled "Estate of Jo Anne Daugherty, Deceased," Cause No. P17536 in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, which is still pending and that said person now holds such Letters. All persons having claims against said Estate, which is being administered in Midland County, Texas, are hereby required to present the same to said Independent Executor, at 401 Helen Greathouse Circle, Apt. 204, Midland, Texas 79707 before suit upon same is barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such Estate is closed, and within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Don Eugene Daugherty, Independent
Executor of the Estate of
Jo Anne Daugherty, Deceased,
Cause No. P17536 in the County Court
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Legal & Public Notices

Notice of public sale of property to satisfy landlord's lien. Sale is at 1:00pm, Friday, August 2, 2013, at 4011 N. Midland Dr., Midland, TX 79707. Property will be sold to the highest bidder for cash. Cleanup and removal deposit may be required. Seller reserves the right to withdraw property from the sale. Property includes contents of spaces of following tenants:
Unit 367 - Jake Duran - TV stand, dresser, twin bed frame, vacuum, pictures, etc.
Unit 720 - Sheila Bowden - 4 Tv's, couch, recliner chair, tv stand, bed, boxes, clothes, etc.

Legal & Public Notices

Proposed Salary Increases For Midland County Elected Officials 2013-2014

Title	Increase
County Judge	$5,510.64
Commissioner, Precinct 1	$3,121.55
Commissioner, Precinct 2	$3,121.55
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Justice of the Peace, Pct. 3	$3,762.84
Justice of the Peace, Pct. 4	$3,762.84
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Tax Assessor/Collector	$4,410.38
Sheriff	$5,851.97
Constable, Precinct 1	$2,985.56
Constable, Precinct 2	$2,985.56
Constable, Precinct 3	$2,985.56
Constable, Precinct 4	$2,985.56
County Court at Law #1	$3,000.00
County Court at Law #2	$3,000.00
District Judge, 142nd	$3,000.00
District Judge, 238th	$3,000.00
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Lost & Found

FOUND FEMALE Blue Heeler mix dog and male puppy. Call 432-634-4458.

Lost & Found

FOUND MALE Chihuahua mix, brown/tan, vicinity Illinois near health dept. 432-661-5784.

FOUND MALE Yorkie in Green Tree North no collar. Please call 432-638-2906.

MALE BOXER found at the corner of Gulf and McDonald. Call 432-559-8529.

LOST- $200 REWARD! DJ Phantom Quad Copter-a remote-flying 4-bladed helicopter w/ camera. Lost while flying at Museum of SW concert. Sun. 7/28 - near J St' & Illinois (918) 408-8449 for immediate reward.

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New 2012 BMW 550i GT
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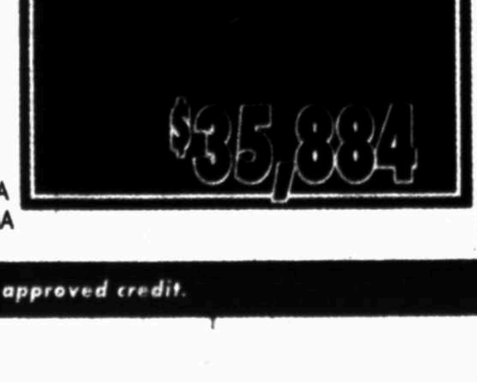

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HIGH END sectional, bought from Carters. 1 year old, $2900. Call 432-889-5023.

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Miscellaneous for Sale

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BALDWIN STUDIO Piano for sale - Black - Good condition. Call for details or information:: 432/ 352-5121.

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CHEVROLET 1999 MALIBU, good condition, A/C works, recent tune up. Asking $1,600. Must see! Call 432-349-0041.

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CHRYSLER 2000 Concord. White. 4 dr, all, pwr, leather, sunroof, 119k. Only $2500. 432-570-0250.

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GMC 2006 Sierra SLT Crew-Cab 2WD New tires, excellent condition 99k $15,400 Call 432-312-9312

GMC 2008 SIERRA 2500HD, W/B, Duramax 6.6 L, V8 Turbo Diesel, 2WD, 4D, Crew Cab, 79k miles, new tires, exc. cond. $21,500. Call 432-570-6704 or 432-924-4225.

TOYOTA 2004 SR5 95k miles, 1 owner Auto, $9,500. Call 432-889-1647.

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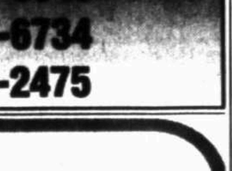
RVs

1996 ROCKWOOD Pop Up Camper with bathroom. $5,000. 432-770-1106 Leave a message.



2007 2619 Trailmanor, hard side foldout. Half ton towable, good condition. $12,500. Call 432-699-0804.

KEYSTON 2010 Passport Ultra Lite Travel trailer 28' 2 doors, large slide out and awning. Under 10k miles, Excellent condition, many extras. Asking $19,500 See at 1912 Centerview in Midland. 432-262-0359

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RVs

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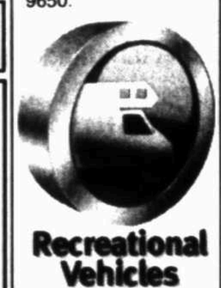
Watercraft

SEADOO 2011 RXT 260. Super charged, 3 seater, black and yellow, 380 hours, $12,000 obo. 432-853-9650.



Recreational Vehicles

'07 KAWASKI Barcon 900 garage kept black and silver 8,000 miles. $5,000 firm. 432-631-4799

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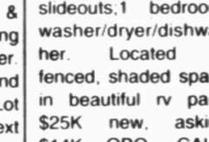

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79701

719 West Kansas
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Collectibles Sale
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79703

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Yard & Garage Sales

79703

5100 W. Illinois Ave Clothes, decorations, and furniture. 8 am Friday and Saturday

79705

1331 TERRA CT Fri 8/2/13 - Sat 8/3/13 FURNITURE, clothes, home decor, books, electronics, and more!

1705 E. Maple Friday 9am-2pm & Saturday 8am- 1pm. Girls size 5 clothes & shoes, teen girl size 9 clothes, chest of drawers, queen bedding, night stand & lots of miscellaneous.

3106 TEALWOOD Place Saturday 8-? kitchen table, baby boy clothes, pack-n-play, teenage girl clothes, toys, misc items

79706

5805 ECR 110 Saturday 8/3/2013 from 8-? Multi-Family garage sale. Some furniture, baby items, clothing, etc

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79707

2002 GERALDINE 9AM Saturday, 8/3. Park in front go back to alley. Furniture, clothes, lots of Misc

3317 CIMMARON Friday only 7:30am-12pm Multi-family Tools, TV's, furniture, Big mans clothes, teen clothes, ladies & men's knick knacks, household goods

7111 NORTH F.M. 1788, go 1/2 mile South of Kent Kwik on 158. Fri & Sat 9-6. Huge Sale: tiller, fabric galore, all size clothing, books, plants, rustic & Texas items, home & yard decor, tools, Xbox games, toys, piano keyboards, movies, hutch & engine hoist

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Administrative/Legal Assistant
Confidential FT

F/T assistant to CEO of Oil Co. & General Counsel wanted. Wide variety of duties include letter writing, maintaining files, answering phones, managing emails, booking travel reservations. Basic bookkeeping and legal secretarial experience helpful. Must be proficient in Word, Outlook Express & Excel and have strong communications & organizational skills & Internet research abilities. Salary DOE. Email resume to tmccomic@sbcglobal.net.

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Independent Oil & Gas Company seeks part time Bookkeeper/Accountant. Requires experience with working interest & JIB reconciliation, AFE's, revenue accounting, accounts payable and problem resolution. Must have Quikbooks & Excel skills. Very flexible hours. Call 325-277-9898 to schedule an interview.

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Midland, TX 79701

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QSN Realty: Hotel General Manager wanted. Independent hotel in Odessa being renovated. Great opportunity for Front Office Managers who want to rise up in the Hospitality Industry. Experience preferred, but will train the right person. Salary DOE. Must be computer literate & a strong communicator. Email resumes to jposmantur@jyihospitality.com

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QSN Realty: Office Supervisor, A/C Techs, Bar Supervisor, Desk Clerks, Night Auditor, Housekeepers, Houseman, Servers. Pay based upon experience. Bring resume to 5010 W. Loop 250 N. or fax 432-520-9434. For info call 432-694-1349.

Available Positions
The YMCA of Midland is currently seeking Childcare Counselors, Van Drivers, Fitness Attendants, Lifeguards and Maintenance staff. Please apply in person at 800 N. Big Spring Street, no phone calls please.

Caretaker
Confidental

Caretaker for small ranch and animals/dogs, horses. Salary and housing provided. Non-smokers. References required. Call 432-254-6151

Cook
Legacy Ranch is currently seeking a **cook** to join our team both full time and part time available. New kitchen with a great team. Apply at **4800 Briarwood, Midland** or call **432-694-5600**.

Detailers
UNISEAL FT

Looking for experienced detailers at local Midland & Odessa dealerships. Can make up to $15 to $18 an hour. Please call 281-733-1967.

Foreman, Operators, CDL Holder & Helpers
4D Excavating FT

Pay depending on experience. Bonuses. Must have valid driver license. Pass drug screen and background check. Call JR at 432-257-5966 or apply in person at 4600 North East Loop 338, Suite C. Odessa, TX. 79762. Or email resume to: jr@4dexc.com

Warehouse Person
Basin Engine and Pump FT

Basin Engine & Pump is looking for an industrial oilfield warehouse person. Pump and or warehouse experience preferred. Position includes uniforms and a benefits package. Pay DOE. Please submit resume by fax to: 432-570-1115 or email to: shawn@basinengine.com. Applications may also be filled out at 1914 South County Rd. 1083, Greenwood/Midland.

OTHER JOBS

Resident Monitor & Cook
Dismas Charities FT/PT

Midland, TX 79701

Need extra income? Looking for a 2nd job? Available to work a few hours a week? Dismas Charities Midland, a residential re-entry center is hiring Full, Part-time & relief staff for the positions of Resident Monitor & Cook. The program operates 24/7. Flexible hours & shifts available. Apply online at: www.dismas.com Walk-in applicants are welcome at: 24 W. Industrial Loop.

Security Officers
Imperial Guard Service FT/PT

Midland, TX 79701

No experience necessary. Will train. Uniforms provided. Benefit packages available. Up to $700 per week. Call 866-840-2066 TX Lic# 12202

Survey Company Position
West Texas Consultants Inc. FT

Midland, TX 79701 **0-1 Years Exp.**

WTC Inc. a dynamic engineering and land surveying firm, in Andrews Texas, is growing and expanding. If you enjoy working hard and having fun in a family style, drug free atmosphere. We are looking for you. We are currently accepting resumes or applications for a New Mexico PLS survey drafting technician. Survey Party Chef and field help. Please email your resume to Alexisyatwtcengenieering .com or Mail it to 405 SW 1st St. Andrews, Texas 79714

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DOMINO'S PIZZA NOW HIRING!
•Drivers: Make cash everyday, Great part time & full time shifts, Starting wage of $7.50 an hour (no split tip/wage here) plus delivery reimbursement, plus tips. **•CSRs:** Great part time & full time shifts, Starting wage of $8.25 an hour, Bright & Friendly people only! **•Shift Leaders:** Great part time & full time shifts, Starting wage of $10 an hour, Flexible Schedules. Apply at any **Domino's Pizza** Midland or Odessa or send resume: **cassie@clearwire.net** Senior citizens & stay at home moms always welcome. EOE

Restaurant General Manager & Assistant Manager
We are looking for self-motivated leaders to join our team. As a Restaurant Manager at one of our restaurants, you will be an important member of the team who'll drive the JumBurrito Brand and deliver on the JumBurrito promise of "The Perfect Burrito Experience" to every single customer. You'll be responsible for managing our human resources, meeting our operational, financial goals and objectives. If you exceed our expectations you can progress rather quickly in our company. Salary/ bonus/ 401k/ vacation. Email resume to: sgallego@jumburrito.com

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Osaka Japanese Steakhouse FT

Would you like to make $15-$20 an hour? Now hiring Hibachi Chef. Will train. Also need all positions: Waitress, Hostess, Cashier, Bartenders, Bus Help, Dishwasher & Kitchen Help. Apply in person: 1207 Tradewinds Blvd. 79706

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Cattle Baron FT

Cattle Baron Restaurant now hiring experienced servers and cooks. Starting wage $11.00 – $15.00 per hour depending on experience. Please apply daily 2:00 pm – 5:30 pm 418 Wadley Ave., Midland, TX No phone calls please!! EOE

RETAIL JOBS

Customer Service Representative
Athletes World, Inc. FT

Athletes World, Inc. is looking for a full time employee. Offering competitive salary and friendly staff to work with. Duties will include assisting customers and answering phones. Computer skills a plus, but will train the right person. Ability to work under pressure in a fast pace environment is essential. Please email resume to: Becky@stadiumsportsusa.com, fax to: 432-684-5481 or come by our location at 2040 West Cuthbert Ave to fill out an application.

SALES JOBS

Are you energetic, a people person with professional work ethics and would like a job with a future?

We are currently in need of **Sales Associates**. You must be able to pass a drug screen and background check. We offer a great benefit package of vacation and 401k.

Qualified applicants apply at:
Jacks 1
1000 Andrews Hwy
Midland, TX 79701
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Jack's Convenience Store

Sales
Sales needed w/5 yrs. or more Experience and Contacts in the Oilfield on Fishing Tools, Reverse Equipment & BOP's. Competitive Salary W/Commissions, 401 K & Health Ins. Please call for an appointment (432-332-4728) or Submit Resume to freedomfishingrental@hotmail.com

STORE MANAGERS and CASHIERS
Smoker's Outlet is looking for **Store Managers** and **Cashiers** in the Midland area. We offer competitive wages and a good work environment. Paid is weekly plus tips. Go by your nearest **Smoker's Outlet** to apply.

SKILLED LABOR

Electrician Apprentice
Immediate opening for an Electrician Apprentice. Sign-on bonus. Call 432-697-4439.

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Anderson Construction FT

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Superior Plumbing FT

Journeyman Plumber needed for new commercial. Join our growing company. Please call Superior Plumbing 432-687-5905

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Structural & Pipe Welders needed. Must be able to pass required weld test and provide references. Top pay for experienced, quality, capable Welders. No contractors or Rig Welders need apply. Call for appointment at 432-697-7400. If no immediate answer please leave name, telephone number & a brief description of weld capabilities. Your call will be returned promptly.

Maintenance Director
Legacy Ranch is looking for a dynamic **Maintenance Director** to join our team! Must have previous building experience. Newer building, great work environment, full benefits. Apply at **4800 Briarwood, Midland** or call **432-694-5600**.

Maintenance Technician
Clusters Apartment FT

4415 Northcrest Dr.

Midland, TX 79707

Full-Time Maintenance Technician needed. Please apply in person.

Mechanics
Western Auto FT

Mechanics! Western Auto is hiring! Apply at Western Auto, 4000 S. FM 1788, Midland.

Metal Building Workers
RRR Construction FT/PT

Pay based on experience. Call 325-514-7336 EOE

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OTHER JOBS

NOW HIRING EXTRA! EXTRA!

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN IT'S DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR NIGHT TIME ASSOCIATE

Night time associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to count at a fast pace. Be able to work between the hours of 12-6 am Sunday night thru Friday night and be able to work Saturday night 8pm -4am. Will be working inside and outside depending on the job you are doing that night. Will be 5-6 nights per week. We will train the right person

Pay 10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifiting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and social security card with dependable transportation.

Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois. Lobby Information Desk • Monday-Friday 8-5 or email: ebtsworth@hearstmj.com

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Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN IT'S DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR PART TIME DAY ASSOCIATE

NOW HIRING EXTRA! EXTRA!

Part Time Day Associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to work Monday thru Saturday from 8am-6pm. Tuesday will be here later till about 8 or 9 pm. Need to be able to work on your feet thru 6-8 hour shift. Will work at night occasionally. We will train the right person

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Franks Tanks and Trucking is looking for roustabout and sandblaster/coating pushers. top pay if have 5 years experience, will train new hands.Call office 432-563-8018

Shop Mechanic

Basin Engine and Pump FT

Experienced Shop Mechanic needed for an Industrial Oilfield Shop. Position includes uniforms and a benefits package. Only experienced mechanics need apply. Pay is DOE. Please submit resume by fax to: 432/570-1115 or email to: shawn@basinengine.com. Applications may be filled out in person at 1714 S. Country Rd. 1083, Greenwood/Midland, TX. No telephone calls please.

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Experienced Crew Chief, Draftsman, SIT and Rodman (will train). Positions available at **Watson Professional Group Inc.** Email resume to **cawatson@wpg-us.com** or mail **P.O. Box 11186 , Midland, TX 79702**

Welders

M & D Welding FT

Single hand contract needed. Oil field experience a plus & Drivers License a must. Salary DOE. Please call for application 432-520-3853 or 432-638-8266.

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

CDL Driver

Reliable **CDL Driver** needed. M-F, 8a-5p. Please apply in person at **Slover Roofing Supply, 3010 West Front, Midland, Texas 79701**.

Class A CDL Drivers

Class A CDL needed - Guaranteed Weekly Pay! Brown Brothers is a new Oil & Gas Transportation Co. in Midland/Odessa. Job starts July 22. Apply today to reserve your position. Email JOBS@BBDOS.COM, visit WWW.BBDOS.COM, or call 432-272-7640 to schedule an interview. We are located at 11308 W. Hwy. 80 E. in Odessa.

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Prefer drivers with Pneumatic Tanker experience. Benefits include: driver $2,000 sign-on bonus, medical, life and dental insurance, and paid vacation. Applicants having experience hauling sand and/or dry cement helpful. Good driving record, DOT, drug & alcohol testing required. Apply in person, call **432-563-1894** for interview or online @ **www.silverlinetx.com**

SALES JOBS

Multi-Media Sales Consultant

The Midland Reporter-Telegram and mywesttexas.com advertising department is looking for a Multi-Media Sales Consultant. The ideal candidate will have a proven track record of personal sales successes, preferably in a newspaper/media environment. Some knowledge of the advertising industry would be helpful, but not required.

Duties for this position will include, but are not limited to selling advertising in all print publications of the Midland Reporter-Telegram and all online products, including mywesttexas.com.

Qualifications & Skills:

- *Ability to work in a fast-paced, deadline oriented environment*
- *Excellent customer service and time management skills*
- *Highly organized with the ability to work independently with minimal supervision*
- *Detail-oriented with good communication, spelling and math skills*

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Jeri Houston, Advertising Sales Manager
Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois Avenue, Midland, TX 79701
or email to: jhouston@mrt.com

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OTHER JOBS

MS

Sales Manager:

Looking for an upbeat individual who would be responsible for the development and performance of all sales activities in our market. This would include managing several sales teams, identifying growth opportunities, and help managing strategies all while staying in line with the company vision and values.
Need a minimum of 5 years sales experience with 2 years of management experience
Bachelor's degree preferred
Computer skills are a must (excel, powerpoint, office)

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Looking for an organized, detail oriented individual.
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Dispatcher

Needs to have knowledge of the Permian basin with the ability to direct CDL drivers on where to deliver their cargo.
DOT compliance experience necessary
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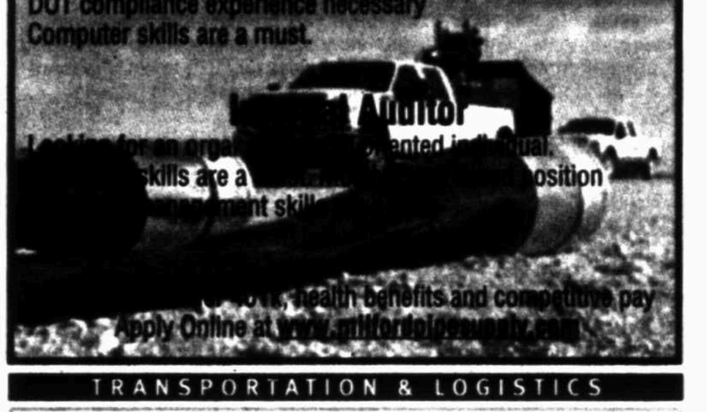

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TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

Delivery Driver

Ferguson Enterprises FT

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Renzenberger, the leading provider of transportation services, is seeking qualified drivers in the Midland, TX area to provide transportation services for our clients. We provide well-maintained, late model vehicles in excellent condition. Starting salary is $12.00/ hour. Apply online at www.renzenberger.com.

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Drivers needed. Class A/B CDL required. Call 432-682-7031 for more info.

Vacuum Truck Driver

Midkiff Transports, Inc. **Class A CDL Req.**
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Seeking Vacuum Driver. Must have good driving record and be able to pass drug test. Experienced applicants only. Competitive wages, paid health insurance/dependant, uniforms & retirement benefits. Call 432-682-2405 or apply in person.

Warehouseman/Delivery Driver

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Immediate opening warehouseman/Delivery Driver. Must be at least 21 years of age with a clean driving record, with the ability to acquire CDL with Hazmat endorsement required. Competitive salary, 401(k), and Insurance available. Fax resume to 361/ 573-4385 (subject:ANDREWS).

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NEWSPAPER STREET CORNER SALES

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Residential Sales

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Homes for Sale

115 N. Dewberry 3 bedroom, 2 baths, 2 car garage, updated kitchen, new carpet, fresh paint, new storm doors, fenced yard. $145,000. Pre approved buyers only, no owner finance, conventional loans or cash only. Owner/Realtor. Call 432-553-9136 to see.

1404 LYNN St. Under construction, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, cathedral ceilings, 2 car garage. $165,000. Call 432-254-3516

1,624 SQ FT beautiful home, sits on 1.56 acres of land with a 1400 sq. ft. shop. Priced at $180,000. For inquiries please call 214-325-1680.

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4-2-2. BEAUTIFUL landscaped corner lot. Pool, 8' stone fence. Updated, Emerson/ Goddard schools. Must see. $289,900. Pre-Approved buyers only. 432-689-0559.

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3 bdrm, 2 bath, den, living room, game room. New carpet, pad, appliances, & kitchen sink. Ceiling fans, cabinets & shelves painted with liners. Utility room. New blinds, fence, light fixtures, countertops, kitchen bar, 3 steel exterior doors, & 6 panel interior doors. New Paint interior and exterior! New Alarm System! **Call: 432-333-3211**

4716 COMMANCHE DRIVE-UPDATED, 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, new carpet, fresh paint, new dishwasher, storm doors, 1 car garage, large fenced yard. $120,000. Pre approved buyers only, no owner finance, conventional loans or cash only. Owner/Realtor. Call 432-553-9136 to see.

5018 JOY Drive
3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1705 sq. ft., tile thoughout, very nice brick home. Nice location. Plus 300 sq. ft. guest room w/bath. $215,000 Preferred pre-approved. 432-894-9698 or 432-557-2744 for appointment.

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Residential Sales

Homes for Sale

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HOME FOR Sale Custom-built home 2005, 3500 SQ FT, 3 Bedroom, 3 bath. 3 car garage on 5 acres with 70 pecan trees, 4 miles East of Midland, North of Loop 250. Please text 432-238-0301 for more information.

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Two story 3/1.5 with detached 2 car garage. Many common areas within this highly-restricted, 10 cabin village with access to Santa Fe National Forrest. Located at the end of a well-maintained county road 6.5 miles southwest of Mora, New Mexico. **$208,000.**

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Lots & Land

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Commercial shop with 5 acre yard
East of Midland.
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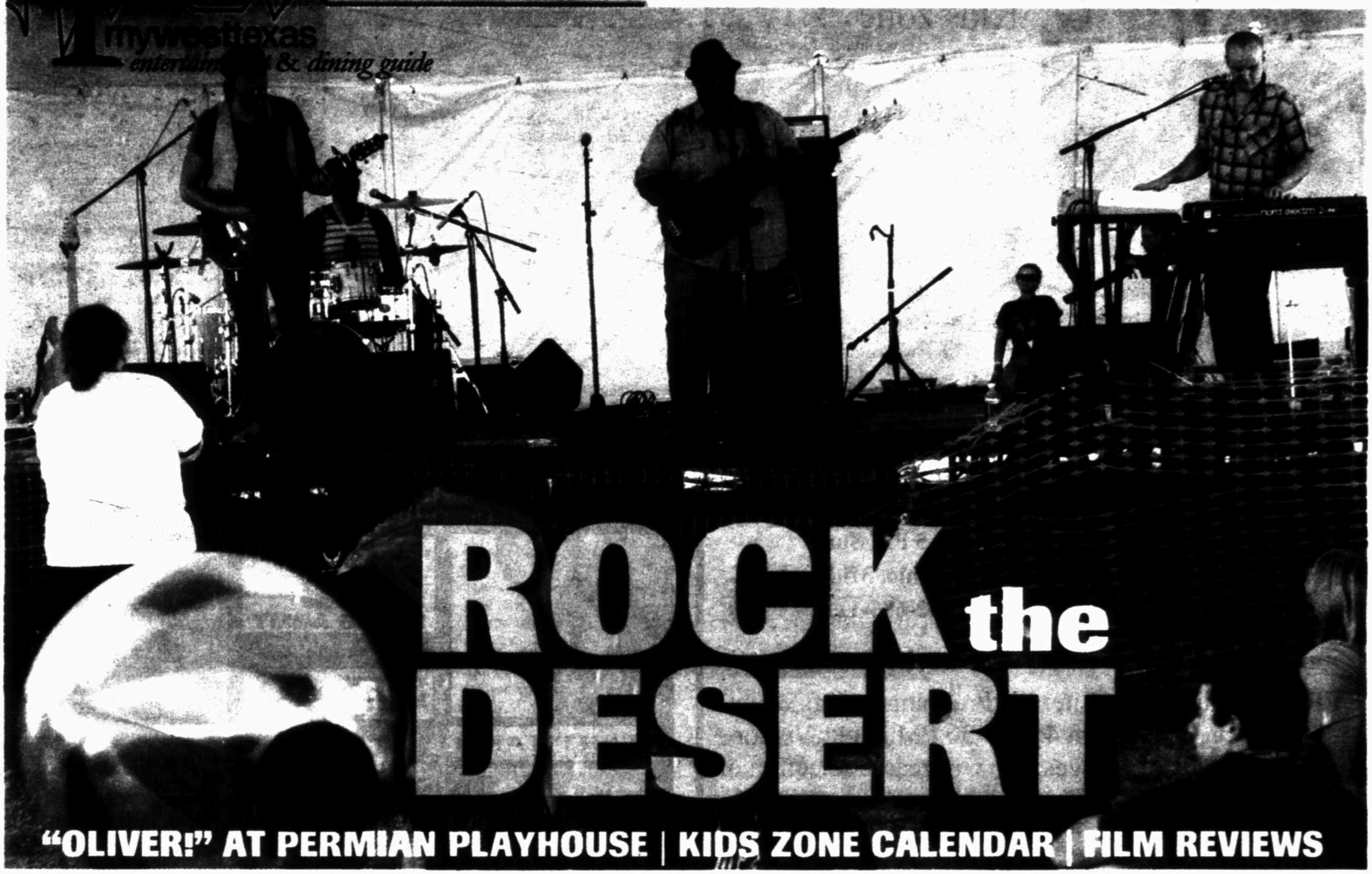

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Admission: Under $9
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When: 7:30-10 p.m.
Where: Senior Citizen's Center, 1225 N. Adams St., Odessa
Admission: $5 members, $6 non-members
Info: Live country band. Call 432-558-7829.

Friday

"OLIVER!"
When: 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday and 2:30 p.m. Sunday
Where: Permian Playhouse, 310 W. 42nd St., Odessa
Tickets: $7-$14 at www.permianplayhouse.com or 550-5456

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When: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
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When: 1-6 p.m.
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When: noon
Where: Ector County Coliseum, Odessa

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Where: Midland College Fine Arts Building Band Hall
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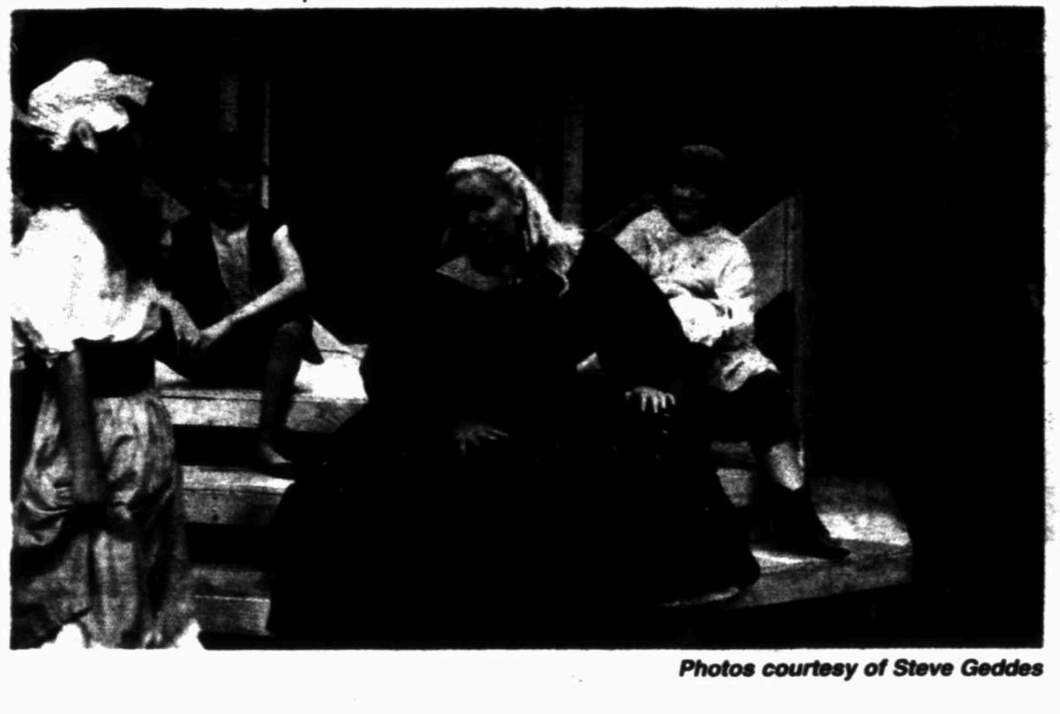

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In the limelight

Oliver!

By Graham Dixon

'Oliver!' makes another appearance on a local stage with the current production at the Permian Playhouse. Even before the play started, a glance at the set showed that the musical was going to accurately represent the claustrophobic, near-suffocating dirt and degradation of 19th century London.

When Mr. Bumble first appeared I was a little worried that the role was going to be overacted. But I soon discovered I was wrong and that Scott Timms was actually constructing a superbly Dickensian caricature of this gluttonous, sadistic man. Timms, who also serves as the set and lighting designer for the show, has great fun in his interactions with Widow Corney, played by his real-life wife, Cherri Brooks-Timms, who also is the musical's director.

The play's title character is played by Brock Bizzell. This actor gives the right combination of vulnerability and innate toughness — a tragicomic figure exemplified in his rebellious answers when unceremoniously trapped in a coffin. He also successfully negotiates "Where is Love?," his solo effort that embodies the melancholy dilemma of the whole story.

Jon Naylor is great as the Artful Dodger. While his accent is not genuine Cockney, it remains consistent throughout — as does his stylized acting that makes him uncannily resemble the Phiz illustrations that so wonderfully brought the original Dickens novels to life. Another fine performance comes from Majia Johnson as Nancy. She has a powerful, passionate voice in "As Long As he Needs Me," and she is suitably saucy in "Oom Pah Pah."

The object of Nancy's devotion is Bill Sykes, portrayed rather uncertainly by Aaron Cox. Cox possesses the rough, tough exterior needed for the role, but does not exude the barely controlled violence at the heart of the man. And any fear this Bill Sykes might engender through his appearance is totally defused by his dog — some kind of fluffy, endearing little fellow that would have looked more in place on the lap of an old lady than at the end of a murderer's leash.

I admire the Playhouse for using live animals onstage, but Klepto Darnell makes Bill Sykes a laughable rather than a threatening character.

James D. Lewallen gives an understated, static version of Fagin. The sinuous, bony figure with the long beard of most productions is replaced by a much slower, more thoughtful man. This characterization grew on me as the musical went on. Rather than dancing around like a mad marionette during "Reviewing the Situation," Lewallen wanders disconsolately from his money box to center stage and back again — an elegant staging of the man's dilemma.

Nancy's death was effectively staged — more realistically slow, and thus more ghastly, than normal. Klepto Darnell stood underneath the bridge where the violence was occurring, tongue hanging out and the picture of canine innocence in contrast with the brutality above.

So "Oliver!" is well-worth seeing. It gives a glimpse into a world in which orphans were little more than slaves and in which the raw certainties of survival of the fittest fought with humanity's finer callings. It has a great story and features some of the catchiest songs ever written.

For tickets call 432-550-5456 or go to www.permianplayhouse.com.

onscreen

"THE CONJURING" — Husband-and-wife paranormal investigators are thrown for a loop by the most terrifying case they've ever dealt with in this unexpectedly fresh, alive, and vibrant haunted house thriller. 1 hr. 52 R (profanity, violence, demonic horror, filicide). 3 stars.

"DESPICABLE ME 2" — The Anti-Villain League recruits Gru when a powerful new criminal emerges in this animated family sequel. 1 hr. 38 PG (mild scares, rude humor, use of flatulence guns). 2 1/2 stars.

"FRUITVALE STATION" — Michael B. Jordan gives a deeply nuanced performance as Oscar Grant, the 22-year-old Oakland, Calif., man shot and killed by a transit cop in the early hours of New Year's Day 2009. Ryan Coogler's film reconstructs — and in some instances, reimagines — the events of the day and night leading up to this tragic episode. 1 hr. 25 R (violence, profanity, drugs, adult themes). 4 stars.

"THE HEAT" — Sandra Bullock is the brains, Melissa McCarthy the mouth and the muscle in this mismatched-cop comedy founded on the proposition that the lower the humor, the louder the laughter. That's true until this profanely funny comedy veers into a sinkhole of "Pulp Fiction" comic violence in its final third. 1 hr. 57 R (extreme profanity, violence, sexual candor, surgical humor, drugs).

"THE LONE RANGER" — Johnny Depp is a smart-aleck, sagelike Tonto and Armie Hammer plays the straight man — and straight-arrow hero of the tale — in Gore Verbinski's wild, wacky, widescreen reimagining of the vintage radio serial and TV series. Too long, but too good to really matter. 2 hrs. 29 PG-13 (violence, intense action, adult themes) 3 stars.

"MONSTERS UNIVERSITY" — Pixar's first prequel takes a look at how its "Monsters, Inc. stars, Mike and Sully (the voices of Billy Crystal and John Goodman), first met, in the ivied halls of a college campus where the multi-hued, multi-limbed, multi-eyeballed students learn how to be "scarers." Cute, funny, but not on the top tier when it comes to originality. 1 hr. 50 G (mild scares) 2 1/2 stars.

"PACIFIC RIM" — Guillermo del Toro's thunderous, thumping monsters-vs.-robots throwdown fuses a modern day, apocalyptic sense of dread with the crazed spirit of those vintage Japanese sci-fi pics starring Godzilla and Gorgo. It's a nuclear-powered mixed martial arts match, and pretty soon you lose count of how many rounds they've gone. Big, loud fun. PG-13 (intense action, violence, adult themes). 3 stars

"RED 2" — The explosive adventures of retired spies Bruce Willis, Helen Mirren and John Malcovich never get old. Just a little formulaic in this sequel. 1 hr. 56 PG-13 (profanity, violence, drugs). 2 1/2 stars.

"TURBO" — A snail in the Indy 500? That's the premise of this formulaic animated feature that definitely isn't hitting on all cylinders. With the voices of Ryan Reynolds, Paul Giamatti, Michael Pena, Maya Rudolph and Snoop Dogg. 1 hr. 36 PG (mild action and thematic elements). 2 stars.

"WORLD WAR Z" — Brad Pitt goes running around the world — and driving, and helicoptering, and bicycling and jet-planing — in a desperate attempt to find the cure for a zombie pandemic. A relentless horror thriller. First stop: Philly. 1 hr. 56 PG-13 (intense scares, zombie violence, adult themes) 3 stars.

"GROWN UPS 2" — A family man who has relocated his brood back to the small town where he grew up endures the last day of school along with his childhood friends. With Adam Sandler, Kevin James, Chris Rock and David Spade. Written by Sandler, Fred Wolf and Tim Herlihy. Directed by Dennis Dugan. (1:41) PG-13.

"R.I.P.D." — A pair of undead cops are dispatched by the Rest in Peace Department to protect the world from supernatural threats. With Ryan Reynolds, Jeff Bridges and Mary-Louise Parker. Written by Phil Hay and Matt Manfredi. Directed by Robert Schwentke. In 3-D. (2:16) PG-13.

"THE WOLVERINE" — In modern-day Japan, the X-Man known as Wolverine faces deadly opponents and struggles with his own immortality. With Hugh Jackman. Written by Mark Bomback and Scott Frank. Directed by James Mangold. In 3-D. (2:06) PG-13.

Distributed by MCT Information Services
RATINGS: 4 stars: Excellent; 3 stars: Good; 2 stars: Fair; 1 star: Poor

DVDIVA'S
pick of the week

Art heist film with complex plot gets pick of the week

By Nancy Adamson
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Pick of the week:

"TRANCE" (R) A security specialist for an art auctioneer succeeds in foiling a heist to steal a painting worth millions but he's knocked unconscious during the melee and forgets where he hides the painting. Director Danny Boyle, whose impressive resume includes the Oscar-winning "Slumdog Millionaire" and "28 Days Later," joins the huh? list with this intriguing film with so many twists and turns that it is impossible to be distracted and keep up with what's going on. It's not "Inception" or "Memento" confusing, but you won't want to take a break without hitting the pause button. And the cast is superb, notably Rosario Dawson, who shines as the psychotherapist who uses hypnotism to try to evoke memories. A-

"THE CHESHIRE MURDERS" (unrated) HBO film — part of its summer documentary series — tracks the horrific 2007 home-invasion in Connecticut in which a mother and her two daughters were killed and her husband was severely beaten. The story made national news and the two men who committed the crime were the trial du jour on the 24-hour news cycle at the time. Interviews with the woman's sister and her parents, a girlfriend of one of the killers, brothers of the other killer and other ancillary people around the crime are fascinating but left me wanting more. Because the crime is so recent in terms of ongoing legal battles, many of those aspects are left out. There is virtually nothing from the police, and little to nothing from the only survivor or the convicted killers. As if to divert attention from that, there are several moments in which the filmmakers almost apologetically note that crime scene photos are either unavailable because they're part of the appeal evidence or they involve a minor. Besides, seeing the photos the jury had to see of an 11-year-old, her sister and mother who were tortured, raped and set on fire — at least one of whom was still alive when the gasoline was poured on her — is not something I'd ever want to see anyway. While it's not quite up to the standards I expect from HBO, it was impossible to turn away from this heart-wrenching story. B

"DETENTION OF THE DEAD" (unrated) A group of high school kids serving detention try to stave off a horde of zombie classmates. An obvious nod to John Hughes' "The Breakfast Club" aside, there is little other merit to this film. The production values are impressive for a movie with such a minuscule budget — about $500,000 — but there's not much to laugh at for an alleged comedy. That makes it obvious the filmmakers didn't devote much of the budget to a script. C+

"THE EVIL OF LOVE" (not rated) A recently widowed father grapples with raising his toddler son and finding work as an actor. Much of the film is improvised "day in the life" style because the young actor playing the toddler is just a youngster who may know better than to look at the camera but he certainly isn't old enough to learn lines or cry on cue. His dad on screen and in real life, Mark Webber, has been a character actor for years in Hollywood, and he used his status and friendships to get former costars such as Michael Cera and Amanda Seyfried for cameo appearances. The result is patchy but it's mesmerizing to watch the two interact on screen. B-

"THE HOUSE I LIVE IN" (not rated) Documentary examines the drug war through the years and its impact on the population and the economy. The film takes a sobering look at the billions spent fighting a battle that many on both sides of the issue agree is futile. But what's the alternative? Legalization? Reducing mandatory drug sentences? Recovery programs? Perhaps the only issue where the film fails is reporting the recovery rates for addicts, which are disturbingly low. The film also assumes only the poor and uneducated abuse drugs, which is patently ridiculous. Where the film succeeds is in pointing out that prison numbers are alarming in the U.S. and attempts to reduce them may make for economic frailty now that so many prisons have been privatized. This film is loaded with Catch-22s, though, making the issue and film both unnerving and engrossing. B+

"TWIXT" (R) Val Kilmer plays a ghost story writer doing a book signing at a small town hardware store — which shows how low his career has sunk — who encounters a strange girl — played by Elle Fanning — on a late night stroll. Francis Ford Coppola came up with the idea for this film from a dream he said he had when he was vacationing in Istanbul. And, sure enough, the film has a dramatic dreamlike state that can be both misleading and confusing. Trust me, though, there is a brief scene in which Kilmer does impressions of both Marlon Brando in "Apocalypse Now" (a Coppola film) and James Mason. They are remarkable and give the film a moment of levity it desperately needed. Overall, bear in mind that Coppola has directed two of the greatest films in history — "The Godfather" and "The Godfather Part II" — but he also has directed one of the worst, "The Godfather Part III." "Twixt" lies somewhere in between. B-

"VEHICLE 19" (R) Paul Walker plays a visitor to South Africa who is drawn into a web of police corruption and murder when the minivan he unknowingly rents is part of the scheme. OK, first of all, a minivan? In a movie that revolves around a lot of chase scenes? Walker's character rarely gets out of the vehicle, in fact. So why would a guy known for his car movies — the "Fast and Furious" franchise — even do another car-centric film, much less one that features a minivan as its main car? Walker also serves as executive producer so perhaps he was just looking for a film to cash in on before returning to the furious fold. Whatever his motivation, "Vehicle 19" is uninspired and silly. C

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PARENTS' NIGHT OUT
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PERMIAN BASIN PETROLEUM MUSEUM SUMMER SCIENCE CLASSES
When: 9 a.m.-noon Friday
Where: 1500 Interstate 20 West
Info: This week's class is "Ready, Set, Dough" for students in third, fourth and fifth grades. Cost is $20 for members, $25 for non-members. For more information, call 683-4403.

FUN FRIDAYS
When: 1-3 p.m. Fridays
Where: Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane
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FAMILY FRIDAYS
When: 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Friday
Where: Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave.
Info: Planned activities every Friday during the summer. This week is "Flower Power"

LITTLE CHEF BASICS
When: 1-3 p.m. Mondays
Where: Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane
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FREDDA TURNER DURHAM CHILDREN'S MUSEUM EXHIBITS
When: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, 2-5 p.m. Sunday.
Where: Museum of the Southwest complex, 1705 W. Missouri Ave.
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PERMIAN BASIN PETROLEUM MUSEUM MOVIE CAMPS
When: 9:30 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m. Tuesdays
Where: 1500 Interstate 20 West
Info: This week's film is "Hotel Transylvania."
For more information, call 683-4403.

CAF SUMMER JUNIOR AVIATION ACADEMY
When: 9 a.m.-noon Tuesday through Friday
Where: Commemorative Air Force, 9600 Wright Drive
Info: Registration deadline is Saturday. Register at www.airpowermuseum.org. Cost is $65 for museum members, $75 for non-members.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FINE ARTS SCHOOL MUSIC AND ARTS CAMPS
When: Session 3 will run Aug. 12-15
Where: 800 W. Texas Ave.
Info: www.fpcmid.org or call Kathy Schorr at 230-2042 or Becca Sawyer at 684-7821.

ELLEN NOEL ART MUSEUM SUMMER CLASSES FOR CHILDREN, TEENS AND ADULTS
Where: 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa
Info: Registration required in advance, by phone 550-9696 or in person at the museum. For more information, visit www.noelartmuseum.org.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

The Orchard Church, misty@orchardmidland.com
5-8 p.m. Aug. 4-7
Info: Theme is Kingdom Rocks: Where Kids Stand Strong for God. Dinner at 5 p.m. for children and families.

Cuthbert Avenue Baptist Church, 694-6075
6-8:30 p.m. Aug. 5-8
Info: Theme is Iron Kids Camp
St. Nicholas' Episcopal Church, 694-8856
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Info: Theme is Faith Through the Arts. Activities include bookbinding, photography, painting and stitching.

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ROCK the DESERT

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FESTIVAL INFO

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Tickets:
Tickets are $25 in advance and $30 at the gate and allow access for the entire festival. Purchase tickets at Chick-fil-A, Mardel and 7-Eleven stores.

Today's lineup:
Gates open at 3 p.m.
Wolves at the Gate, Aaron Gillespie, Sleeping Giant, Disciple, Da'Truth, For Today, Craig King and Flyleaf. Also scheduled for today are Metal Mulisha and C1RCA Skate Team.

Friday's lineup:
Gates open at 11 a.m.

Green River Ordinance, Lara Watson, SAMESTATE, The City Harmonic, Shonlock, Lecrae, Craig King and Third Day will perform on the main stage. Performing in the Teen Tent are Jenny Simmons, S.O.G., Nate Feuerstein, Aaron Gillespie, The Letter Black, Manafest, We Are Leo and late night dance party with Family Force 5.

Saturday's lineup:
Gates open at 10 a.m.
We Are Leo, Je'Kob, StompTown Revival, Anthem Lights, Family Force 5, James Stell, Thousand Foot Krutch, Craig King and Red will perform on the main stage. Teen Tent performers include Jenny Simmons, Big Rich, Unspoken and Finding Favour.

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Don't bring:
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Food and drink
Food vendors will be on site. Water bottles will be available for purchase and an emergency water station will be located in medical tents.

Camping
■ Rock the Desert requires a $25 reservation fee for camping spots and a $50 reservation fee for RV spots. Fees will be refunded upon arrival.
■ Application for camping and RV spots is available at www.rockthedesert.com.
■ Camping spots will be on a first-come, first served basis beginning at 2 p.m. today.
■ Portable shower facilities are available for campers.
■ RVs must be self-contained.
■ Campfires, grills, barbecues are prohibited.

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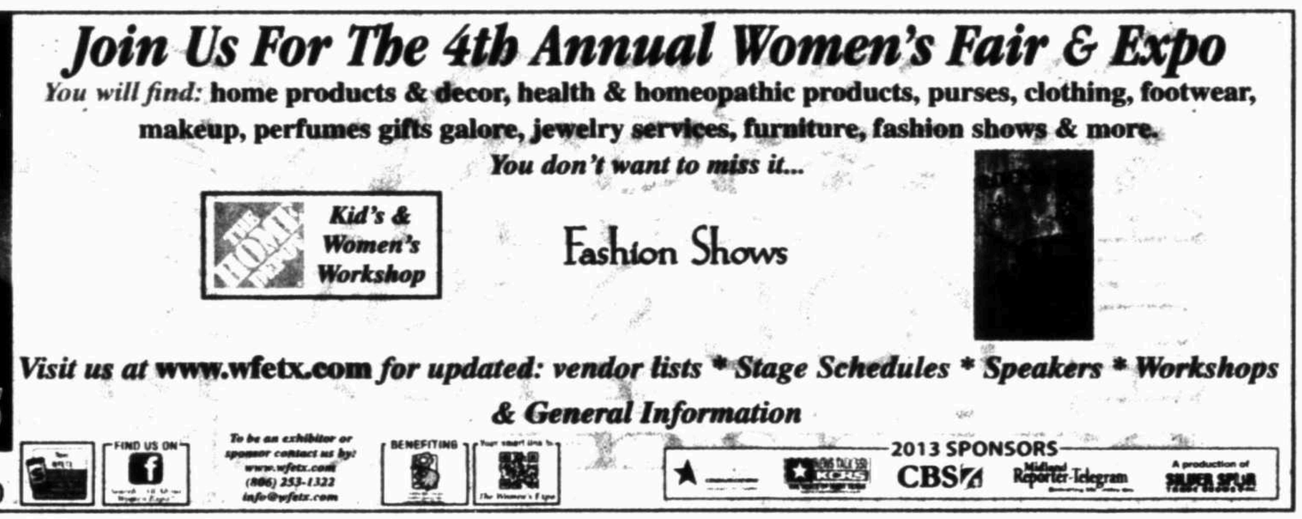

Lara Watson @ Rock the Desert
2 p.m. Friday, Aug. 2
Main stage

Lara Watson to perform Friday at Rock the Desert

By Ragini Venkatasubban
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Lara Watson originally didn't want to sing Christian music. "I totally wanted to be the next Taylor Swift," the 19-year-old singer said. "I started singing when I was a little girl — it was totally my heart, it's all I wanted to do forever. I didn't want to sing Christian music. I was like, 'I want to be a pop star.'"

But then life threw her a twist. While attending Belmont University in her native Nashville, Tenn., Watson traveled to the Dominican Republic and Haiti to volunteer with Boys & Girls Clubs.

"It was amazing," she said. "I gave up the whole music thing. I came back and I was like, Lord, I don't really want to do music anymore. I just want to travel and do missions work. And God was like, 'Nope! You're going to sing music.'"

Watson decided to combine a singing career with serving the world. She started the Be One Foundation, a nonprofit organization that raises money for charities in the Dominican Republic and Haiti.

"The Lord knows my heart, and he knows I wanted to be with the world's poorest and serve them any way I could," she said. "He gave me a platform through music."

Watson embarked on her first singing tour this summer, performing at various Christian music festivals across the country. Her next appearance will be at 2 p.m. Friday on the main stage of Rock the Desert.

Watson said she originally didn't want to sing Christian music because she thought it was too "cookie-cutter."

"That was not true at all," she said. "Seeing all the Christian artists — they're nothing like how I thought they were. It's pretty awesome to see how unique they are. They've taken the truth in the Bible and turned it into something mainstream."

Her desire to be a "pop star" faded after finding out what the pop world was really like, she said.

"I was mentored by some people," she said. "They were like, 'The pop world is so dirty. You're going to have to do this and that. You're either going to have to lose 20 pounds or gain 50 pounds and be like Adele.' It was just a bunch of crap. The things you have to do to make it in the industry — I didn't want to be a part of. When I found out the dirty side of it, I was like, that's just not me."

Watson said people compare her voice to singers like Adele and Francesca Battistelli. She described her style as pop and rock.

"My message is that there's hope — in this dark world, there's hope and his name is Christ," she said. "When we focus on the light and focus on being grateful, we don't necessarily dwell on the dark anymore."

Contact Watson at www.beonefoundation.com or on Twitter @larawats0n.

live and in concert

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1 Wolves at the Gate, Aaron Gillespie, Sleeping Giant, Disciple, Da' Truth, For Today, Craig King, Metal Mulisha, Ryan Ries, Flyleaf @ Rock the Desert

1 Micky & the Motorcars @ Rockin Rodeo

1 CW Ayon @ Blue Max

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2 The Shane Rogers Band @ The Detour

2 Aaron Einhouse, Charlie Stout @ Lone Star Bar

2-3 GloveBox @ Hot Shots

2-3 Darren Welch Group @ The Bar

3 Dix Hat Band @ Lone Star Bar

3 The Six String Boys @ Redneck's

3 Ernesto Calderon @ Wine Rack

3 Chillfactor SA @ Boomerz

3 We Are Leo, Je'Kob, StompTown Revival, Anthem Lights, Family Force 5, James Stell, Thousand Foot Krutch, Craig King, Red on main stage; Jenny Simmons, Big Rich, Unspoken, Finding Favour in teen tent @ Rock the Desert

4 Bent @ Museum of the Southwest

4 Kitty in a Casket, The Returners @ Blue Max

4 Stickup Kid @ Pine Box

6 The Blind Pets @ Blue Max

7 Dix Hat Band, Jim Dixon @ Shack in the Back

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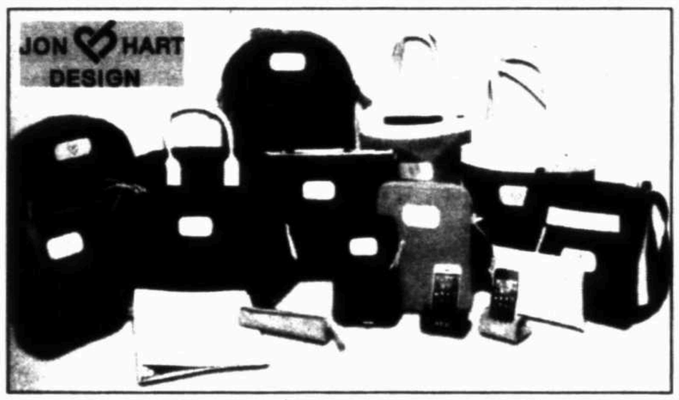

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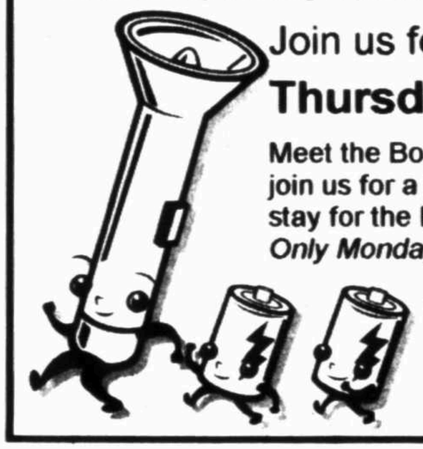

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what'scoming

ALL ABOUT WOMEN FAIR AND EXPO
When: Aug. 9-11
Where: Horseshoe

MIDLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT'S KIDS BOOT CAMP
When: 9-11 a.m. Aug.10
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THE COMPLETE WORKS OF WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE (ABRIDGED)
When: Aug. 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18
Where: Globe Theatre, 2308 Shakespeare Road, Odessa
Tickets: call 580-3177

SUMMER SUNDAY LAWN CONCERT
When: 7:30 p.m. Aug. 11
Where: grounds of the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave.
Admission: Free.
Info: The Shades, rock 'n' roll. Bring a lawn chair or a blanket and a cooler

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
When: 5:30 p.m. Aug. 12-14
Where: Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity, 683-4207
Info: Theme is God's Backyard Bible Camp. Intergenerational vacation Bible school includes evening meal.

CHICAGO
When: 8 p.m. Aug. 13
Where: Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center
Tickets: $50 to $90 plus fees

APPALOOSA HORSE SHOW
When: Aug. 16-18
Where: Horseshoe
Info: Midland County Fair Pre-Event

ARTIZEN AFTER HOURS
When: 5-8 p.m. Aug. 17
Where: ArtiZen Outlet, 3404 W. Loop 250 N.
Info: Benefit for Midland/Odessa CPS

MIDLAND COUNTY FAIR
When: Aug. 22-25
Where: Horseshoe

LORETTA LYNN
When: 8 p.m. Aug. 22
Where: Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center
Tickets: $40-$75 plus fees

KIDZ BOP
When: Aug. 23
Where: Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center

SUMMER SMASH
When: Aug. 23-24
Where: Ector County Coliseum, Odessa

PERMIAN BASIN GUN SHOW
When: Aug. 23-25
Where: Ector County Coliseum, Odessa

Midland Opera Theater's Susan Graham Day
When: 5:30 p.m. Aug. 29
Where: Blakemore Planetarium

JOE SATRIANI
When: 7:30 p.m. Sept. 5
Where: Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center
Tickets: $37.50 to $298.00 plus fees

"THE ADVENTURES OF FRED BROWN AND HIS AMAZING PANDIMENSIONAL MULTI-SHIP" BY DOMINIC LOPEZ
When: Aug. 30-31 and Sept. 6-7 and 13-14
Where: Black Box next to the Globe Theatre, Odessa
Info: mark10theatricals.com

Permian Basin Fair & Expo
When: Sept. 6-14
Where: Ector County Coliseum, Odessa

"THREE MURDERS AND IT'S ONLY MONDAY"
When: Sept. 6-28
Where: Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave.
Info: Midland Community Theatre production.
Reservations: call 570-4111.

EXILE
When: Sept. 10
Where: Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center
Info: Opening concert of the Live on Stage! 2013-2014 season. Go to www.liveonstage-pb.com or call 789-1249.
Admission: Membership. Single tickets priced at $35 available at the box office.

MIDLAND-ODESSA SYMPHONY & CHORALE
When: Sept. 14
Where: Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center

TOM RUSSELL
When: Sept. 18
Where: Wagner Noel Rea Recital Hall

MENOPAUSE THE MUSICAL
When: Sept. 19
Where: Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center

MIRANDA LAMBERT AND DIERKS BENTLEY WITH SPECIAL GUESTS CHARLIE WORSHAM AND JUKEBOX MAFIA
When: Sept. 26
Where: United Spirit Arena, Lubbock
Info: Tickets at selectatlubbock.com and 806-770-2000

"THE LAST BALL" BY ROBERT HOLLMANN
When: Sept. 27, 28, 29, Oct. 4, 5 and 6
Where: Globe Theatre, 2308 Shakespeare Road, Odessa
Tickets: call 580-3177

BRIAR PATCH TRADE DAYS
When: Oct. 4-6
Where: Ector County-Coliseum, Odessa

"THE PERFECT WEDDING"
When: Oct. 4-19
Where: Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave.
Info: Midland Community Theatre production
Reservations: Call 570-4111

DOOBIE BROTHERS
When: 8 p.m. Oct. 5
Where: Chap Center at Midland College
Info: MISD Education Foundation fundraiser. Individual tickets are $40-$50. Sponsor tables are $2,000-$15,000. Buy tickets at www.boxofficesolutions.net. Call 689-1038 for tables.

MIDLAND QUILTERS GUILD 2013 QUILT SHOW: THE ROADS WE HAVE TRAVELED
When: Oct. 5
Where: Grant Texan Hotel and Convention Center, 4300 W. Wall
Info: www.midlandquilters.com or e-mail mqg-midland@gmail.com

A CHORAL PASSPORT: MOSC CHORALE
When: Oct. 6
Where: Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center

IMPROV AT THE YUCCA
When: Oct. 12
Where: Yucca Theatre
Info: Recommend for those 16 and older because of adlut content

MAAS RAT PACK CASINO PARTY
When: 8 p.m.-midnight Oct. 12
Where: Rooftop of Fasken Building, 500 W. Texas Ave.
Info: www.ribbonsoflight.org

ROCKIN' OUT WITH FLASH CADILLAC
When: Oct. 19
Where: Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center

LIVE ON STAGE PRESENTS "TAKE ME HOME: THE MUSIC OF JOHN DENVER"
When: Oct. 22
Where: Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center

"SOUVENIR"
When: Oct. 25- Nov.16
Where: Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave.
Info: Midland Community Theatre production
Reservations: Call 570-4111.

KOOKY KARNIVAL
When: Oct. 26
Where: Ector County Coliseum, Odessa

HARVEST FAIR
When: Oct. 26-27
Where: Ector County Coliseum, Odessa

DANCE WITH US: WEST TEXAS WINDS
When: Oct. 27
Where: Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center

WILD HORSE ADOPTION
When: Oct. 31-Nov. 2
Where: Ector County Coliseum, Odessa

MERRY MARKET PLACE
When: Nov. 7-10
Where: Ector County Coliseum, Odessa

HAYES CARLL AND UNCLE LUCIUS
When: Nov. 8
Where: Yucca Theatre

COPLAND, BERNSTEIN AND BEYOND
When: Nov. 9
Where: Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center

OH NO! "MODERN" MUSIC: PB STRING QUARTET
When: Nov. 24
Where: Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center

TONYS Old Fashioned Bakery
1108 N. Big Spring
Midland, TX. 79701
432-570-4166
Hours:
Tuesday-Wednesday 7am - 3pm
Thursday-Friday 7am - 6pm
Saturday 7am - 3pm

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Restaurant Guide: Pulse publishes a portion of the Restaurant Guide each week. Restaurants are listed in categories according to the type of food they serve and classified as order at counter (OAC) then sit down, or sit down (SD) and be waited on. Several are listed as cafeteria or buffet style, a few are carry out.
Entree price range is based on the average entree price on the menu: $ = $1-10, $$ = $10-20 and $$$ = $20 or more. Restaurants are given a general rating based on quality of food, service, cleanliness, atmosphere and overall experience. 1 spoon = poor, 2 spoons = average, 3 spoons = above average, 4 spoons = good and 5 spoons = excellent.

Steak/Seafood

Cattle Baron (SD)
418 Wadley Ave.
683-2334

Quiet, relaxing, Western décor themed steak house featuring prime rib, filet mignon, rib eye, peppered steak, beef kabob, garlic trout, fresh catfish, orange bourbon salmon as well as lobster tails and Alaskan king crab legs, combination plates and several hamburger choices. Salads and salad bar also available. Full service bar. Catering. Lunch specials offered Monday-Saturday from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Entrée price range: $$
Hours: 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Sunday-Thursday; 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Friday-Saturday
3 spoons

Ranchland Hills Golf Club
1600 E. Wadley Ave.
682-3729 (Clubhouse)
www.Ranchlandhills.com

No membership required! Everyone can enjoy the dining (including a sports bar) and golf facilities as the doors are open on the recently remodeled Ranchland Hills Golf Club. Appetizers, soups, salads, seafood, chicken and beef are all on the menu and served with elegant style. Start the day with a selection from the large breakfast menu. Lunch includes sandwiches and burgers in addition to chicken fried steak, steak and shrimp or chicken. Beautiful views, casual atmosphere (still no t-shirts in the dining rooms) and delicious food in a very relaxed setting, perfect for entertaining. Rooms available for parties. Payment accepted: credit cards, cash, and checks.
Entrée average price range: $$
Hours: 8 a.m. - 2 p.m., 6-9 p.m. Monday, Wednesday-Saturday

Steak Express (carry-out, delivery)
3316 W. Illinois Ave.
694-4040

Steak Express serves steaks, burgers and more for carry-out or delivery only. Order online at www.steakexpress.com or call 694-4040. Menu includes Nolan Ryan beef steaks in a variety of cuts, grilled chicken, salmon, shrimp, ribs and combinations served with baked potato, salad and roll. Burgers, sandwiches and salads also are available. The restaurant offers lunch specials daily until 3 p.m. $1.50 delivery fee. Go for the burger if you're really hungry.
Entree price range: $$
Hours: 10:30 a.m.-10 p.m. Sunday -Thursday; 10:30 a.m.-11 p.m. Friday and Saturday
4 spoons

Texas Roadhouse (SD)
4512 W. Loop 250 N.
689-7427

Call ahead seating is available. Enjoy fresh rolls before you order. Wide selection of appetizers from rattlesnake bites (diced jalapenos and jack cheese, hand battered and lightly fried), Texas red chili and buffalo wings. Grilled chicken salad, chicken critter salad and Caesar salads, hand-cut steaks such as rib-eye, sirloin, and prime rib in addition to "road kill" (chopped steak with onions mushrooms and jack cheese). Feature "fall off the bone ribs." Kid's menu.
Entree price range: $$
Hours: 4-10 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 4-11 p.m. Friday, 11 a.m-11 p.m. Saturday, 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Sunday.
4 spoons

Wall Street Bar & Grill (SD)
115 East Wall St.
684-8686

Some of the finest dining in town, especially for steaks and seafood. Appetizers, steaks including N.Y. strip, filet mignon, ribeye, beef kebab and chicken fried steak. Tempting seafood dishes including charbroiled shrimp, pecan crusted trout, seafood relleno and catfish. Chicken dishes and a delicious house salad and fresh bread. Kid's menu available. Brunch on Sunday morning. Save room for the Gold Brick dessert. Reservations for groups over six taken.
Entrée price range: $$
Hours: 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m., 5:30-10 p.m. Monday - Friday; 5:30-10 p.m. Saturday; 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., 5:30-9 p.m. Sunday
5 spoons

Way Out West (buffet style)
515 Andrews Highway
697-4196

Large buffet serving lunch and dinner. Offering specials at both meal times in addition to senior discounts. Order from the menu or go through the buffet. Steaks, seafood, soups, salads, brisket, casseroles. Wide variety of choices. Kid's menu.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Saturday; 10:30 a.m.-9 p.m. Sunday
3 spoons

Wings

Buffalo Wild Wings Grill and Bar (SD)
5107 W. Wadley Ave.
694-9400

This sports bar and restaurant has nine big-screens and 35 smaller televisions mounted to the walls, giving customers a view of the game from any seat on the floor or in the bar. Traditional or boneless chicken wings may be ordered choice of 14 sauces. Other menu items include burgers, sandwiches, wraps, flatbreads, appetizers and more. Smoking is allowed.
Price range: $
Hours: 11 a.m. - 2 a.m. daily
3 spoons

Wing Stop (OAC)
3323 N. Midland Drive, Suite 105
(Corner of Midland Drive and Wadley Avenue)
694-WING (9464)
www.wingstop.com

Nine wing flavors, including Original Hot, Cajun, Atomic, Mild, Teriyaki, Lemon Pepper, Hawaiian, Garlic Parmesan and Hickory Smoked BBQ. Wings are cooked-to-order, usually ready in seven minutes. Choose from homemade side dishes including fresh-cut seasoned fries, bourbon baked beans, potato salad, creamy cole slaw, vegetable sticks, rolls and assorted dipping sauces. Boneless and regular wings available. Catering for any event. Take out or dine in.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 11 a.m.-midnight Friday-Saturday.
4 spoons

American/Grill

Addie's Diner
304 E. Florida Ave.
686-2044

Waitresses wearing poodle skirts and records dangling from the ceiling give this place a true "diner" vibe. Delicious burgers and salads. Chicken fried steak or steak fingers, chicken fried chicken or chicken fingers, fried catfish, hamburger steak and grilled pork chop entrees. Breakfast until 10:30 a.m. Kid's menu available.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 5:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Friday, 6 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday.

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4 spoons

Bush's Chicken (OAC)
2210 N. Big Spring St.
687-7090

Fried chicken meals with traditional sides. All combos include fries, gravy, roll and a large drink. Snack packs and family size meals available. Kid's menu. Try the red cinnamon apple pie for dessert. Iced tea is sold by the gallon. Three-lane drive through.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: Drive through 10 a.m.-10 p.m. daily; through, lobby 10 a.m.-9 p.m. daily.
3 spoons

The Café at Crestview (OAC)
301 N. Loop 250 West
(inside Crestview Baptist Church)
www.crestviewmidland.org
681-8200 ext. 2007
Catering: 559-2928

A tranquil setting featuring a café that is open to everyone. Signs in the parking lot will direct you to the correct door to enter. Menu includes soup of the day, soup and sandwich and salads ranging from a grilled chicken, chicken Caesar or garden salad. Tex-Mex dishes include chicken fajitas, ground beef burritos or quesadillas and various types of nachos. Signature sandwiches, burgers and hearty specials all at very reasonable prices. Delicious desserts. Wednesday night meals for $7 each or $20 per family. Free drinks with meal.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday-Friday; 5-6 p.m. Wednesday
3 spoons

Café at The Gardens (SD)
3300 Fairgrounds Road
687-1478

Located in the back of Alldredge Gardens, the cafe offers one of the most relaxed atmospheres in town. Sit in the garden center and enjoy the beautiful fish in the pond as you eat your lunch. Sandwiches, soups, quiche, burgers and wonderful desserts. Kid's menu. Catering available as well as party area.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: Monday-Saturday 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
4 spoons

Claudia's Kitchen
3601 W. Wall St.
(Inside the Bradford Inn and Suites)
432-694-8821, ext.165

Friendly service and diner atmosphere. Try the Texas toothpicks and jalapeno bottle caps. Breakfast items can be ordered throughout the day and include hearty meals such as pork chops, chicken fried steak with eggs and potatoes. Large selection of burgers and sandwiches, chicken fried steak, steak fingers and ribeyes.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 6 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday-Saturday. 6 -10 p.m. the last Friday of the month for dinner featuring Christian karaoke.
3 spoons

Cotton Patch Cafe (SD)
2320 W. Loop 250 N.
618-0070
www.cottonpatch.com

Casual with a grill-style atmosphere. Large menu offers a wide choice of flavors, combinations and sizes of meals. Start with appetizers and finish up with a steak, sandwich, burger or fish. Grilled favorites as well as soups and salads are available. Daily specials include chicken fried steak with a choice of two sides for $6.99 or all you can eat catfish for $9.99 on Fridays.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 11 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 11a.m.-9 p.m. Sunday.
4 spoons

Cracker Barrel (SD)
3108 N. Loop 250 West
689-3137

Home-style meals. Serving breakfast (all day), lunch and dinner. Menu includes soups, sandwiches, pork barbecue, fried chicken tenderloin, grilled pork chops, sugar cured ham, smoked ham, hamburger steak and meatloaf. Friday fish fry, Saturday offers made from scratch chicken n' rice with vegetables and Sunday features homestyle chicken. Kid's menu available. Old country store in front of restaurant.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 6 a.m.-10 p.m. Sunday-Thursday, 6 a.m.-11 p.m. Friday-Saturday.
4 spoons

Clear Springs Cafe (SD)
5707 Andrews Highway
522-1188

Burgers, Po'boy, catfish, shrimp, crawfish, oysters, chicken strips, steaks, chicken fried steak and chicken. Specials offered daily. Claim to have the "best onion rings and catfish in Texas, the World and the known Universe." Kid's menu. Catering available.
Entrée price range: $$
Hours: 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Sunday-Thursday, 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Friday-Saturday.
4 spoons

Denny's (SD)
3701 W. Wall St.
www.dennys.com
520-5306

Always open with a friendly atmosphere. Large variety of menu items from appetizers, snacks, breakfast items, burgers, sandwiches, steaks and chicken. Special combination meals and seasonal dinners also served on holidays. Good food, service and willingness to make customers happy.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 24 hours every day.
3 spoons

Down Home Kitchen (SD)
102 N. Lee St.
682-3696

Small, unassuming building in south Midland. Diners may choose from a few freshly-made entrees — meatloaf, pork chops, chicken fried steak and more — and sides such as corn, macaroni and cheese, green beans and boiled cabbage. Each plate is around $8 and includes an entree, two sides and bread. Dessert options include peach cobbler and a variety of cakes.
Entree price range: $
Hours: 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday - Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday
3 spoons

Eddie's Catfish Company (OAC)
301 N. Lee St.
684-4422

The owners of Eddie's Catfish Company used to serve catfish only on Fridays at Greater Ideal Family Life Center. When they moved into the building on Lee Street, they began serving catfish Monday through Saturday. The menu features one- or two-piece catfish meals, fried shrimp or a combination. Meals include hushpuppies, coleslaw and French fries or onion rings. Large portions. Family packs.
Entree price range: $
Hours: Monday-Saturday 11 a.m.-8 p.m.
3 spoons

Graham Pharmacy (SD)
1601 W. Wall St.
684-5756

Pharmacy with gift shop and "old-fashioned" soda fountain offerning homemade fudge and desserts, simple lunch favorites and shakes and ice cream dishes. Sandwiches include BLT, tuna, pimento cheese and ham and cheese as well as club sandwiches with turkey and/or ham and cheese. Hot dogs, corn dogs, salads and Frito pie also are available.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 8 a.m.-5 p.m Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday.
3 spoons

JoJo's Eatery
214 W. Texas Ave. (Petroleum Building)
682-3134

Offering a large selection of sandwiches, salads and burgers. Super friendly service and atmosphere. Absolutely do not leave before trying the pie (any kind). Buy it by the slice or whole pies and cakes made to order. Daily specials, catering and call-in orders welcome.
Entrée price range $
Hours: 6 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Friday.
3 spoons

Lori's Café (SD)
2201 W. Wall St.
570-1701

Homestyle cooking. Breakfast includes pancakes, omelettes, waffles, breakfast enchiladas and burritos, as well as traditional eggs, toast, bacon and grits. Lunch offers sandwiches such as French dip, Philly cheesesteak, Reuben and chicken Parmesan. Burgers, a large selection of salads, chicken fried steak and many appetizers.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 6 a.m.-2 p.m Tuesday-Saturday, 7 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday.
3 spoons

The Ranch House (OAC)
5103 W. Wadley Ave.
699-0695

Stop by for a quick sandwich. Choices include: chicken or tuna salad, turkey breast, peppered beef or ham, honey glazed ham, smoked brisket and barbecue. Sandwiches are $4.50 and come with potato chips. Combination meals are $6.50 and include a side of homemade beans. Homemade bread. Catering available.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. daily
3 spoons

Stanton Drug and Old-Fashioned Soda Fountain (SD)
201 N. St. Peter
Stanton
432-756-3731

Enjoy small-town atmosphere and a mouth-watering hamburger or sandwich in the quaint surroundings of the Stanton Drug Store. Breakfast served until 10:45 a.m. Only a short drive from Midland.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 8 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. (or until they run out of meat) Monday-Friday.
3 spoons

Strawberry Fields Cafe (SD)
2311 W. Wadley Ave.
684-5869

Fresh foods made from organic and natural ingredients. Meats and poultry are free-range, raised on a natural diet and free of chemicals used on conventional factory farms. All foods are made fresh daily and are free of refined sugars, hydrogenated oils, artificial colors, flavors and preservatives. Salads can be purchased by the pound. Sandwiches, wraps, no-bull burger (veggie burger) and soups. This is the place to go for a guilt-free delicious meal. Kid's menu.
Entrée price range: $

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Hours:9 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Friday, 9:30 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday.
4 spoons

Tater World (SD)
802 S. Garfield St.
682-9111

Taters are front and center on the menu including tater twisters (homemade tater chips), cheddar fries, tater skins and baked potatoes, which weigh one pound or more. Brisket, steak stuffed taters or regular stuffed potatoes. Other dishes include some of the best catfish in town, a variety of salads, sandwiches, burgers, chicken fried steak, breakfast burritos and "hot doggs." Catering available.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 7 a.m.- 7 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 7 a.m.- 8 p.m. Friday.
4 spoons

The Bar (SD)
606 W. Missouri Ave.
685-1757

Opened in 1979 and serves lunch, dinner and Saturday brunch. Menu items include sandwiches, burgers, chili, soups, steaks and more. Smoking is permitted in part of the restaurant. Menu is available at www.thebarmidland.com.
Entrée price range: $$
Hours: 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday.
4 spoons

Triple Threat Sports Bar & Grill (SD)
12 Meta Drive
(Village Shopping Center)
683-5300

Sports bar atmosphere with pool tables and several video games. Thirteen big-screen televisions. Happy hour Monday-Thursday from 3-7 p.m. with drink specials and free chips and salsa. Menu features a wide selection of appetizers including popcorn shrimp, Buffalo wings, chicken tenders, chips and salsa or queso, fried mushrooms, mozzarella sticks and a sampler platter. Known for their Philly cheese steaks served with fries.
Price range: $
Hours: 11 a.m.-2 a.m. Monday-Saturday, 11 a.m. - midnight Sunday.
4 spoons

Yana 615 (SD)
615 North Sam Houston
Odessa
432-332-4305

Located in the downtown Odessa area near the hospital in a house that has been remodeled into a restaurant. Quaint and charming. A relaxing and out of the ordinary spot to meet friends for lunch. Specialties of the house include orange roughy, a vegetable plate, lemon pepper pasta, spinach lasagna and chicken tarragon. Chicken palatchinka (two homemade crepes filled with chicken breast in a creamy sauce and served with dried fruit baked rice and a house salad) is a favorite. Dessert is a must!
Entrée price range: $$
Hours: 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Sunday-Friday
5 spoons

Asian

Bushido Japanese Steak House and Sushi Bar (SD)
4416 Briarwood Ave.
689-7900

Entertaining chefs cook at grills surrounded by large U-shaped tables. Combination plates with chicken, shrimp or steak include side dishes. Angus beef sirloin or filet mignon, shrimp, scallops, lobster, squid, salmon and tilapia also are available. Watch chefs roll sushi at the bar. Full service bar with large TV in the corner to watch sports. Kids menu.
Entrée price range: $$
Hours:11 a.m.-10 p.m. Sunday-Wednesday 11 a.m.-midnight Thursday-Saturday.
4 spoons

Chinese Kitchen (OAC)
4200 W. Illinois Ave.
694-3922

Open for 25 years. Daily special combination meals with one, two or three entrée choices served with an egg roll and choice of fried rice or pan-fried noodles. Entrees include sweet and sour pork or chicken, chicken chow mein, lemon chicken, beef and broccoli, Mandarin beef, Thai grilled chicken and more. Appetizers include shrimp rolls, crab Rangoon, spicy wings, tempura shrimp, tempura chicken, fried wontons and puffs. Take-out food is packaged in little white pails and chopsticks and fortune cookies are included.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 11 a.m.-9 p.m. daily
3 spoons

Genghis Grill (SD)
4517 Midkiff Road
(In the parking lot of Midland Park Mall)
520-5426
www.genghisgrill.com

Come in, take a bowl and choose your main ingredients: chicken, steak, pork, shrimp, sausage or tofu. Next, choose the seasoning, vegetables and sauce from a wide array of choices. Finally, choose between steamed or fried rice, noodles, spiral pasta or tortillas. Hand your bowl to a chef, go sit down and your dish will be returned to you when it is cooked.
Entrée price range: $$
Hours: 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Sunday-Thursday; 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Friday and Saturday.
3 spoons

Grand Buffet (SD/buffet)
2510 W. Louisiana Ave.
688-8881

Extensive "all-you-can-eat" Asian buffet. Tables are dedicated to particular types of food such as salads with mixed salads, lettuce and fresh toppings; soups; seafood including salmon and crab; fried foods such as sweet and sour chicken or pork, fried okra and fried shrimp; stir-fried dishes such as beef and broccoli; a fruit bar with Jell-O salads and fresh fruit; sushi bar; and more. Mongolian grill station.
Buffet price range: $
Hours: 11 a.m. - 9:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 11 a.m. - 9 p.m. Sunday
2 spoons

The Great Wall (OAC: Carry out only)
2215 N. Midland Drive (Mesa Verde shopping center)
694-5555

Extensive menu for Chinese take-out with dishes including noodles, fried rice, seafood, pork, beef, chicken, tofu and vegetables. Lunch specials served 11 a.m.- 3 p.m. Monday through Friday include soup or an egg roll and fried rice with an entree. Prices range from $1.20 for spring rolls to $11.95 for the chef's special featuring General Tso's chicken with sesame shrimp.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 11 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Monday - Friday, 4:30-9:30 p.m. Saturday, 11:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. Sunday.
3 spoons

Hunan Garden Chinese Restaurant (SD)
4410 N. Midkiff Rd, Building A., Space 1
(Court Yard at Midland Park)
697-9818

Daily lunch buffet offering about 10 options such as sweet and sour chicken, pork, beef and broccoli, cashew chicken and beef with snow peas. Lunch specials include choice of one of more than 15 entrées, egg roll and fried rice. Menu selections are divided according categories such as beef, pork, seafood, poultry and vegetables. Appetizers such as fried wonton, barbecued spareribs and shrimp.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 11 a.m.-2 p.m., 5-10 p.m. Monday-Friday; 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m., 5-10 p.m. Saturday; 11 a.m.-2 p.m.; 5-9 p.m. Sunday.
3 spoons

King & I (SD)
801 N. Big Spring St.
4400 N. Midland Drive
682-0988

Large menu offering authentic Thai food. Noodle dishes such as beef, chicken, pork or vegetables stir-fried in rice noodles with broccoli, egg and carrot. Popcorn's special (angel hair pasta, green

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onions, white onions, tomatoes, broccoli, garlic, jalapenos with special sauce) is a dish favored by many Midlanders. Rice dishes such as chicken cashew and chicken sesame are delicious. The chocolate confusion cake is a must. Kid's menu and catering available.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 11 a.m.-3 p.m., 5-9 p.m. Monday-Friday; 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Saturday.
4 spoons

Kuo's Chinese Restaurant (SD)
3303 N. Midkiff Road., Suite 152, San Miguel Shopping Center
697-8888

Friendly service and a relaxing atmosphere. Menu items include sweet and sour chicken, peking duck, coconut chicken and Mongolian steak. Lunch specials are offered from 11 a.m. - 2:15 p.m. and include a fried cream cheese wonton, steamed or fried rice and choice of soup with a smaller portioned entree. Lunch entrees include sweet and sour chicken, Kung Pao chicken, moo goo chicken, hunan chicken and kung pao beef.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 11 a.m. -2:15 p.m., 5-9:45 p.m. Monday-Saturday: 11:30 a.m.-2:15 p.m., 4:30-8:45 p.m. Sunday
4 spoons

Moon Garden (SD)
2319 W. Loop 250 N.
570-1165 or 685-3012

Lunch specials available 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. More than a dozen entrees including broccoli with garlic sauce, sweet and sour chicken, hunan chicken, chicken with broccoli, beef chow mein and kung pao shrimp. Served with an egg roll and rice, a choice of egg drop, hot and sour or wonton soup. Two-entrée plate also offered on the lunch special.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m., 5-9:30 p.m. Tuesday-Friday; 11 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Saturday-Sunday.
2 spoons

Shogun Restaurant (SD)
4610 N. Garfield St.
570-8888

This Japanese steakhouse has served Midlanders for more than 20 years. Sit at the Teppan Yaki tables with other customers and watch your meals cooked on the grill at the table or order from the sushi menu which includes nigiri sushi and maki sushi. Teppan Yaki table menu includes steak, chicken and seafood served with cucumber and shrimp salad, soup, steamed rice and grilled vegetables. Evening prices are high.
Entrée price range: $$
Hours: 11:30 - 9:30 p.m. Sunday - Friday; noon - 9:30 p.m. Saturday
4 spoons

Taste of China Super Buffet (buffet)
4400 N. Big Spring St., #53
684-5288

All-you-can-eat buffet features six large tables with more than 80 items, or order from an extensive menu. Buffet entrees include traditional Chinese dishes such as sweet and sour chicken and cashew chicken, pepper steak, beef with broccoli, Hunan beef and beef with assorted vegetables. Try seafood, fruits, salads, sushi or a grill where you can choose ingredients to be stir-fried into your own creation. Senior citizens 10 percent discount and children under 3 eat free.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 11 a.m. - 9 p.m. Sunday-Thursday; 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. Friday - Saturday.
2 spoons

Thai House (SD)
#9 Meta Drive
687-3373

Enjoy authentic Thai and Chinese food at this little hideaway located behind Walgreen's on Andrew's Highway. Appetizers, soups, combination dishes served with steamed or fried rice and a side of egg roll or soup, noodle, rice and curry dishes. The Thai House Special is stir-fried ground chicken with snow peas, onions, carrots, bell peppers and jalapeno peppers served on top of rice with side of fried egg. Enjoy a refreshing Thai tea and some sticky rice for dessert.
Entrée price range: $.
Hours: 11 a.m.-3 p.m. and 5-9 p.m. Monday-Friday; 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday; closed Sunday.
4 spoons.

Barbecue

Brooks Bar B-Q (SD)
501 E. Texas Ave.
685-5079

Known for "fat burgers" and barbecue plates, also serves entrees such as chicken fried steak, fried shrimp, hamburger steaks and more. Sandwiches include grilled or fried chicken or fish, patty melt, BLT, chopped beef and sliced beef. Save room for a slice of homemade pie or another dessert.
Entree price range: $
Hours: 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Saturday; 11 a.m. - 9 p.m. Friday
4 spoons

Dickey's Barbecue Pit (OAC)
5210 W. Wadley Ave.
689-4500, catering 212-3351
www.dickeys.com

The menu says, "Cooked slow, served fast." Quick, friendly service and traditional barbecue selections of brisket, chicken, pulled pork, all the sides. Also stuffed baked potatoes, chicken Caesar salad, sandwiches and platters. Kid's menu and family packs. Don't forget your yellow drink cup with your favorite drink. Catering.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 11 a.m.-9 p.m. daily
4 spoons

Johnny's Bar B-Q & Diner (cafeteria)
316 N. Big Spring St.
683-4581

Bar B-Q and all the fixings. Look for the neon pig sign. Sandwich specials include side and a drink for $6.49. Barbecue offerings include brisket, ribs, sausage, jalapeno sausage, turkey, ham and chopped barbecue. Plate meals with one, two or three meats and two sides and Texas toast. Half portion children's plates are available or try one of the value packs to feed the whole family. Park on side of building.
Entrée price range $
Hours: 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday –Thursday; 11 a.m.-7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

KD's Bar-B-Q (OAC)
3113 Garden City Highway
683-4013

KD's Bar-B-Q serves a variety of barbecued meats and sides. Customers choose their meat from the grill. Choices include turkey, brisket, ham, chopped beef, several types of sausage, pork chops, chicken, pork tenderloin and ribs. Sides include potato salad, coleslaw, corn and roasted jalapenos.
Entree price range: meat priced per pound; sandwiches $
Hours: 11 a.m. - 8 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, 11 a.m. - 9 p.m., Friday-Saturday.
5 spoons

Michael's Charcoal Grill (OAC)
723 W. Wadley Ave. 686-9030

Barbecue specialties including ribs, brisket, sausage and chicken. Other entrees include rib eye steaks, pork chops, country fried steak, chopped sirloin steak as well as several seafood dishes including fried catfish and fried cod. Sandwiches, burgers, salads, low cal plates as well as junior pilot and senior menu. Beer and wine served. Airplane memorabilia decorates the large dining room. Catering available.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Saturday.
4 spoons

Tank's Bar-B-Que and Catering (Carry out)
401 East Scharbauer Drive
684-0006

Carry out restaurant, offering barbecue ribs, brisket, sausage and turkey by the pound or plate. Call in your order before you arrive or walk up to the window. Friday, try the fried catfish. Traditional side dishes, beans, potato salad, onion rings and fries are served. Claims to have one of the best burgers in town. Kid's menu and catering available.
Entrée price range: $
Hours: 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, 11 a.m.-7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday.
4 spoons

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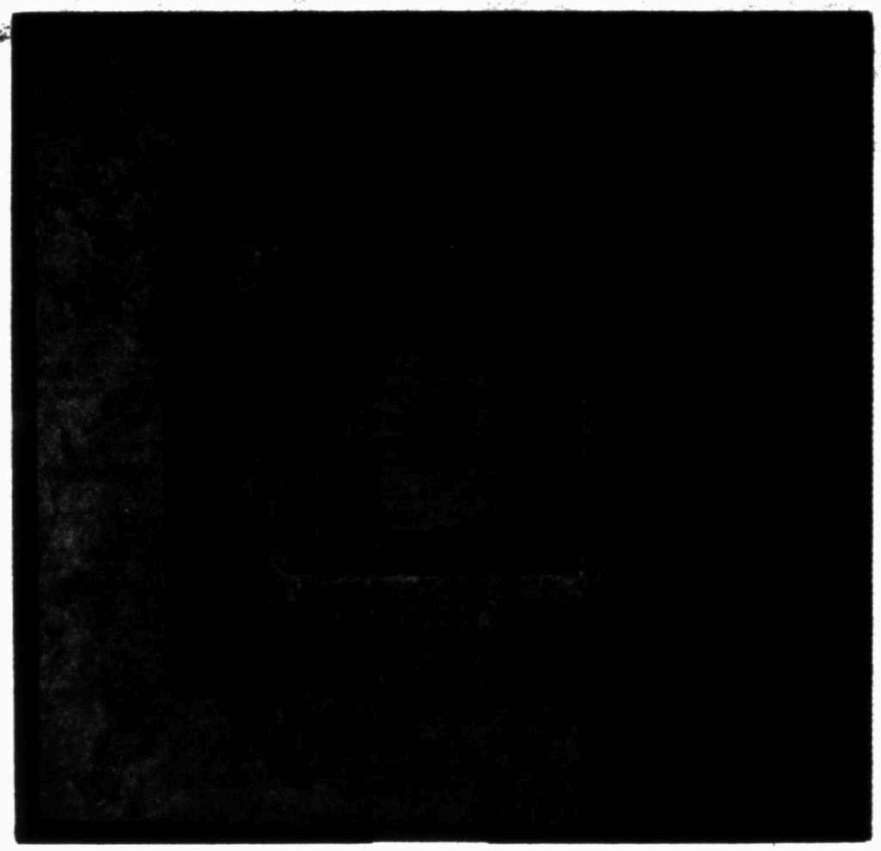

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Left: Danville Chadbourne of San Antonio through Aug. 25 @ Museum of the Southwest and Ellen Noel Art Museum

Ellen Noel Art Museum,4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa, 550-9696, www.noelartmuseum.org

Exhibits: "Of Birds and Texas: The Art of Scott and Stuart Gentling" through Aug. 18. "Chicanitas: Small Paintings from the Cheech Marin Collection" through Aug. 18. Outdoor sculptures by Danville Chadbourne of San Antonio through Aug. 25.

Hours: Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday 2-5 p.m. Free.

American Airpower Heritage Museum Commemorative Air Force, 9600 Wright Drive, Midland International Airport, 563-1000, www.commemorativeairforce.org

Exhibit: "Flappers to Fighters: The Changing Role of Women in World War II" through Aug. 31.

Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Admission: $10 adults, $9 seniors and teenagers, $7 children ages 6-12 and free for those under 6. Discounts available.

George W. Bush Childhood Home,1412 W. Ohio Ave., 685-1112, www.bushchildhoodhome.org

Hours: Tours and gift shop hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, 2-5 p.m. Sunday.

Haley Memorial Library and History Center, 1805 W. Indiana Ave., 682-5785, www.haleylibrary.com

Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday. No admission charged.

McCormick Gallery, Allison Fine Arts Building, Midland College main campus, 3600 N. Garfield St., 685-4770, www.midland.edu

Hours: 8 a.m.- 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday.

Midland County Historical Museum, 301 W. Missouri Ave., 688-8947

Hours: Friday, Monday and Wednesday: 2-5 p.m. Free.

Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave., 683-2882, www.museumsw.org

Exhibits: Ceramics and paintings by Danville Chadbourne through Aug. 25. "Chasing Greatness," the work of photographer Andrew Hancock through Aug. 25. Taos Master: Taos Society of Artists Collection on view all year. The Sculpture Park includes 14 sculptures.

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum: Permanent exhibits "My Town," "Beach Babies" and "Touch of Sound." Temporary Exhibit: "Musical Instruments" through Aug. 25.

Blakemore Planetarium hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Closed Sunday.

Hours: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission: Charged to non-members.

Parker House Ranching Museum, 1118 Maple, Odessa, 432-335-9918

Exhibits: Permanent collection of Tom Lea and his work. Also features area local history exhibits.

Hours: 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday. Free

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum,1500 W. Interstate 20, 683-4403, www.petroleummuseum.org

Exhibits: All aspects of the petroleum industry from geology, the formation of oil, its exploration, pipelining, marketing and refining to the economic and political impact of the industry. Also: Chaparral race cars.

Hours: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 2-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission: Adults $8, ages 12-17 and seniors 65 and older: $6, children (6-11) $5, children under 6 free.

Scarborough-Linebery House, 802 S. Main St., 685-7368

Hours: Historic home open by appointment.

The Presidential Archives and Leadership Library, 4919 E. University Blvd., Odessa, 432-363-7737

Exhibits: All U.S. presidents and brief histories of the major events that took place during each president's term of office. Different collections, including a small doll collection of the inaugural gowns and a complete collection of presidential portraits.

Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Admission: Free. Donations accepted.

Nancy Fyfe Cardozier Gallery, UTPB, 4901 E. University Blvd., Odessa, 552-3286

Hours: 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Monday-Friday and 2-5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays.

White-Pool House Museum, 112 E. Murphy St., Odessa, 432-333-4072

Exhibit: "A Time To Remember - War Memorabilia" through Aug. 17. Features artifacts, on loan from local collectors, which include items from the home front and abroad. The display is intended to honor military personnel and their families.

Hours: 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday. No admission charged. Donations accepted.

- Annual Barn Benefit Sale 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday at White-Pool House Barn.