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Work on Station No. 10 could begin this week

Permit released Monday for $3.5 million MFD facility

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Construction on the Midland Fire Department's Station No. 10 could begin as early as this week after the building permit was released Monday.

The permit for the station planned for the plot at 4501 Sinclair Ave. — northwest of Midland Drive and Andrews Highway — allows for contractors to break ground and begin construction, said Sara Higgins, city public information officer.

The estimated cost of the new station is $3.5 million, according to the city.

While an exact date has not been scheduled for the groundbreaking ceremony, Higgins said the city is ready to begin construction.

"It's good for the city (and) it gets another fire station under construction," said Steve Thorpe, building official.

MFD Chief Robert Isbell said talks of a new fire station started more than a decade ago; official discussion began in the spring of 2011.

At that time, Isbell presented data to the Midland City Council that an additional station was needed in order to achieve low emergency response times, according to previous Reporter-Telegram reports.

The chief said he is looking forward to getting this long-awaited station open and running, and expects the construction to be completed in about 12 months.

"The anticipation is kind of overflowing now," Isbell said. "It's an exciting time."

Isbell said the primary attribute of the new station is its "strategic location." The location will provide expedited service to northwest Midland, which includes the area around Sinclair Avenue and Andrews Highway, as well as out toward Highway 191, according to previous reports.

The new station also will include a larger engine bay and living quarters in closer proximity to that bay for faster response times, Isbell said.

The station will have low-tech training props that will allow firefighters to practice within the confines of the station, Isbell said. Some of those props will allow for training with ladders and rope rescues, he said.

Isbell also said the new station will have video

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Sandwich sanctuary

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Grinders is a new submarine sandwich restaurant at 11 Meta Drive. It opened Monday.

Grinders Sub Shop: Sandwiches are worth the wait

JOSEPH BASCO
MRT reporter

It's that time again: Midland has another, much needed, dining option.

This time, Grinders Sub Shop on Meta Drive is offering downtown workers and other residents cold and hot subs in an area surrounded by fast food.

Grinders' menu offers classics such as Philly cheesesteak, BLT and roast beef. The menu also includes salads, cookies and chips.

Despite the grand opening on Monday, fewer than half of the tables were full during its first hour of operation. But by the time I left at about 11:45 a.m., more hungry customers were coming in.

Even though there were few customers, I waited nearly 15 minutes to get my sub.

Similar to Firehouse Subs, customers wait in line for a single employee to take their order. But instead of paying immediately, I was told to sit down and wait for my name to be called.

It was then that I timed just how long it would take to get my sub. I counted roughly 14 minutes from the moment I sat down to the time my name was called. I observed the workers making the subs, noticing that they were slicing the meat to order. Maybe that is what added additional waiting time.

At the cashier's counter, a good selection of soda products, which included

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Texas Legislature passes transportation bill

By Chris Tomlinson and Jim Vertuno
Associated Press

AUSTIN — The Texas Legislature ended its third special session Monday after passing a bill and a proposed constitutional amendment that would boost spending for roads and bridges.

Lawmakers in both chambers moved quickly to approve the only item on the agenda of the third special legislative session, which Gov. Rick Perry called last week.

A deal reached in the House could provide $1.2 billion a year for transportation by diverting half of the money currently flowing into the state's rainy day fund. Because the reserve fund was created with a constitutional amendment, voters would have to give final approval in the November 2014 general election.

The package's author, Rep. Joe Pickett, announced before the debate began that he had met with numerous lawmakers to work out a compromise that could earn a two-thirds majority in both chambers of the Legislature. Previous efforts had failed because conservatives demanded constitutional safeguards for the rainy day fund, while other lawmakers wanted to retain control over it.

The El Paso Democrat crafted a proposed constitutional amendment that only authorizes the diversion of the funds, while a separate bill provided the mechanism and specifics for when the money is diverted and how it's spent.

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P&Z approves apartments, restaurant

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Luxury apartments are on the way to an area known for the Scharbauer Sports Complex and the numerous hotels that surround it.

The Residence at Midland will be a 290-unit high-end complex at the southwestern corner of the Deauville Boulevard and Tradewinds Boulevard intersection. The apartments will feature a pool, clubhouse, covered parking and parking garages. There will be 580 parking spaces, which is the city's minimum of two spaces per apartment unit.

The Residence at Midland would be the first apartment complex in the vicinity of the Scharbauer Sports Complex and west of Loop 250. This area also includes housing subdivisions such as Legends Park, Chevron's campus and various hotels.

"We like the proximity to (Interstate 20) there," said Jay Stewart, a developer and general contractor with Houston-based firm Parkcrest Builders. "It has easy access to Loop 250, which would be good for people commuting to both Midland and Odessa."

Martin Siwek, planner for the city's planning division, said the complex will have one entrance each on Deauville Boulevard and Tradewinds Boulevard.

The project received two letters of objection from the 27 notices that were sent out to neighboring properties. The line of sight of the apartment tenants into neighboring homes and diminishing property values were the two complaints in the letters, Siwek said during the meeting.

To address the tenants' view into neighboring homes, the apartment buildings in the northern portion of the property, near the Chevron campus, will be three stories, while the southern buildings next to Legends Park will be two stories.

Stewart said rents have yet to be finalized, but construction is set to begin in September with the first units opening 12 months later. The total construction time for all the units to be complete is 18 months, he said.

Siwek said after the meeting that this development could pave the way for future apartment complexes in the area.

Zoning set for new Abuelo's location

The commission also approved the zoning for the future location of Abuelo's.

Abuelo's, which serves Mexican fare, will be located at the Commons at Northpark Shopping Center on Loop 250 east of Midkiff Road. Abuelo's will occupy the space at the western end of the center that is currently fenced off, separate from the strip of retailers and restaurant behind it.

The relocated Abuelo's will be 10,200 square feet, and can accommodate 399 diners. Abuelo's will also feature an outdoor patio area, as previously reported.

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The big number
The cultured beef burger cost
$330,000
to fund, and was grown in a laboratory. More on 3A.

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Community calendar

■ Texas Leadership Charter Academy, an open-enrollment charter school for kindergarten through third grade students, will host a prospective parent meeting at 7 p.m. today in the Lifehouse Christian Fellowship sanctuary, 3300 Thomas Ave.

■ The George W. Bush Childhood Home monthly reading event is planned for 4:30-5:30 p.m. Aug. 15. This month's featured book is "17 Things I'm Not Allowed to do Anymore."

Each child will receive a copy of the book. Refreshments will be served. To make a reservation, call 685-1112.

Road improvement meeting

The city of Midland's Engineering Department will host a public meeting 6:30 p.m. Thursday at Greathouse Elementary School, 5107 Greathouse Ave., on the widening of Mockingbird Lane.

Residents will have a chance to talk to engineers involved with the project and give input on the proposed design. Improvements are proposed for a one-mile stretch of Mockingbird Lane between North Midland Drive and Holiday Hill Road. The project will increase the road to either four or five lanes, and could include bike lanes and pedestrian-friendly improvements.

For more information, call 685-7286.

MFD kids camp

The Midland Fire Department will host Kids Boot Camp from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium. Activities, geared toward kida 4-12, will emphasize team cooperation, a healthy diet, physical fitness and fire safety.

To register, stop by Central Fire Station, 1500 W. Wall St., or visit www.midlandtexas.gov. Forms must be presented the day of boot camp.

Participants should wear athletic attire with tennis shoes and bring a refillable water bottle. Gatorade and water will be provided.

For more information, call Capt. Aaron Cox at 685-7341

Sports for seniors

Senior citizens, age 65 and older, are eligible to attend all Midland ISD sporting events for free with a MISD Senior Citizen Gold Card.

The cards are free and can be picked up from the MISD Athletics Office, located in the district's Mashburn Building at 300 N. Carrizo St. The office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Proof of age is required to receive card.

Gold Card members are allowed to sit wherever they like at sporting events without reserved seats, except the general admission student section during football games.

The program was initiated in 2008.

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.

■ Sunday's total: 21,263,000 (CRMWD - 17,571,000; PD - 3,692,000)

■ Saturday's total: 22,311,000 (CRWMD - 18,622,000; PD - 3,689,000)

■ Friday's total: 22,314,000 (CRMWD - 18,624,000; PD - 3,690,000)

■ Thursday's total: 22,191,000 (CRMWD - 18,520,000; PD - 3,671,000)

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Stops: UTPB Founders Building, UTPB/EZ Rider, Citibank Ballpark (5:55 p.m.) Midland College, Downtown Midland)

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Daily 4 night: 2-4-7-2
Cash Five: 2-7-8-25-29
Powerball: 15-18-24-32 BB: 10

Today in history

Today is Tuesday, Aug. 6, the 218th day of 2013. There are 147 days left in the year.

Today's highlight:

On Aug. 6, 1945, during World War II, the United States dropped an atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan, resulting in an estimated 140,000 deaths.

On this date:

In 1930, New York State Supreme Court Justice Joseph Force Crater went missing after leaving a Manhattan restaurant; his disappearance remains a mystery.

In 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Voting Rights Act.

Today's birthdays: Basketball Hall of Famer David Robinson is 48. Movie writer-director M. Night Shyamalan is 43.

AP file photo

This file photo taken in 2003 shows the U.S. Embassy on the outskirts of Nairobi. The largest U.S. diplomatic mission in sub-Saharan Africa replaces the earlier mission that was destroyed by a terrorist bomb on Aug 7, 1998, killing 219 people. Wednesday will mark 15 years since that explosion. During a week of heightened security concerns at U.S. embassies the East African countries of Rwanda, Burundi, Mauritius and Madagascar were added to the U.S. embassy closures list on Sunday.

Al-Qaida chief's message led to embassy closures

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — An intercepted secret message between al-Qaida chief Ayman al-Zawahri and his deputy in Yemen about plans for a major terror attack was the trigger that set off the current shutdown of many U.S. embassies, two officials told The Associated Press on Monday.

A U.S. intelligence official and a Mideast diplomat said al-Zawahri's message was picked up several weeks ago and appeared to initially target Yemeni interests. The threat was expanded to include American or other Western sites abroad, officials said, indicating the target could be a single embassy, a number of posts or some other site. Lawmakers have said it was a massive plot in the final stages, but they haven't offered any specifics.

The intelligence official said the message was sent to Nasser al-Wahishi, the head of the terror network's organization, based in Yemen, known as al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula (AQAP).

Both officials spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the sensitive issue publicly.

American spies and intelligence analysts on Monday scoured email, phone calls and radio communications between al-Qaida operatives in Yemen and the organization's senior leaders to determine the timing and targets of the planned attack.

The call from al-Zawahri, who took over for Osama bin Laden after U.S. Navy SEALs killed the al-Qaida leader in May 2011, led the Obama administration to close diplomatic posts from Mauritania on Africa's west coast through the Middle East to Bangladesh, east of India, and as far south as Madagascar.

The U.S. decided to reopen some posts on Monday, including well-defended embassies in Kabul, Afghanistan, and Baghdad.

Authorities in Yemen, meanwhile, released the names of 25 wanted al-Qaida suspects and said those people had been planning terrorist attacks targeting "foreign offices and organizations and Yemeni installations" in the capital Sanaa and other cities across the country.

The Yemeni government also went on high alert Monday, stepping up security at government facilities and checkpoints.

Officials in the U.S. wouldn't say who intercepted the initial suspect communications — the CIA, the National Security Agency, the Defense Intelligence Agency or one of the other intelligence agencies — that kicked off the sweeping pre-emptive closure of U.S. facilities. But an intelligence official said the controversial NSA programs that gather data on American phone calls or track Internet communications with suspected terrorists didn't play a part in detecting the initial tip. That official spoke on condition of anonymity because the official was not authorized to discuss the spying publicly.

A U.S. official familiar with the threat information said the decision to close the embassies was based on a broad swath of information, not just the intercept. The official said the U.S. has made clear in the past that AQAP makes its own operational decisions — that there are back-and-forth communications between al-Qaida leadership and AQAP, but that they operate independently. The official was not authorized to disclose the information to reporters and thus spoke on condition of anonymity.

Once the plot was detected, NSA analysts could use the programs that leaker Edward Snowden revealed to determine whom the plotters may have contacted around the world. Snowden revealed one program that collected telephone data such as the numbers called and the duration of calls on U.S. telephone networks. Another program searched global Internet usage. Therefore, if a new name was detected in the initial chatter, the name or phone number of that person could be run through the NSA databases to see whom he called or what websites or emails he visited.

The surveillance is part of the continuing effort to track the spread of al-Qaida from its birthplace in Afghanistan and Pakistan to countries where governments and security forces are weaker and less welcoming to the U.S. or harder for American counterterrorist forces to penetrate — such as Syria, Iraq, Somalia, Mali and Libya — as well as Yemen, already home to al-Qaida's most dangerous affiliate, al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula, which is headed by al-Wahishi.

AQAP also has been blamed for the foiled Christmas Day 2009 effort to bomb an airliner over Detroit and the explosives-laden parcels intercepted the following year aboard cargo flights. The CIA and Pentagon jointly run drone targeting of al-Qaida in Yemen.

The Obama administration announced the embassy closures one day after President Barack Obama met with Yemeni President Abdo Rabby Mansour Hadi. A person familiar with the meeting said Obama and Hadi did discuss al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula but their talks did not directly result in the embassy closures and travel ban.

NATIONBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

IOWA

University of Iowa claims top party school title

IOWA CITY — College students consider the University of Iowa the nation's best party school, even though Iowa City has tried to make its famous bar scene less hospitable to underage drinkers.

The Princeton Review bestowed Iowa with the top ranking Monday on a list determined by 126,000 students in a nationwide survey. Rounding out the Top 5 are: University of California, Santa Barbara; the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; West Virginia University and Syracuse University.

The organization also released its "stone-cold sober schools" list — led again this year by Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah; and followed by Wheaton College in Wheaton, Ill.

Officials in Iowa City aren't celebrating the ranking, which comes after they've made recent strides in the battle against binge drinking on campus and downtown. University of Iowa spokesman Tom Moore said The Princeton Review "gets some things right," by describing Iowa as an affordable Big Ten university with students who are both studious and social.

"That indicates they are balancing their academic responsibilities with their social pursuits," he said.

FUNDING

From 1A

The bill creates a joint committee of lawmakers that would decide a minimum balance for the fund every two years, and the diversion of money to transportation projects would stop if the fund falls below that level. Within the first 45 days of every legislative session, lawmakers could vote to change the minimum balance or leave it alone.

The bill also requires the Texas Department of Transportation to find $100 million in savings and spend that money to pay off long-term debt. Pickett said that will save an additional $47 million in interest payments. The department would also have to spend the money on projects across the state.

Lawmakers of all stripes tried to amend Pickett's bill, but he only supported those that he knew Senate negotiators would accept. One of the amendments he accepted was to allow the department to spend money on expanding the Port of Houston to accommodate larger container ships following the enlargement of the Panama Canal.

The Senate only objected to one amendment, brought by Rep. George Lavender, R-Texarkana, that committed unexpected future revenue to roads. Senate Finance Chairman Tommy Williams, R-The Woodlands, rejected that measure and removed it before sending it back to the House for final passage.

Experts say Texas needs to spend $4 billion more per year just to maintain the current road network, but the Republican majority has refused to raise taxes or fees to pay for them. Diverting money from the state's savings account was considered the more politically acceptable option.

Business groups warned earlier Monday that the Texas economy would suffer if the Legislature didn't do something to improve the state's deteriorating infrastructure.

Bill Hammond, president of the Texas Association of Business, said the no new taxes or fees position of many conservative Republicans was hindering economic development.

The lack of road funding was reflected in a recent Texas Department of Transportation decision to convert 83 miles of paved roads to gravel roads in oil and gas drilling areas because it lacks the funding to maintain the paved roads for the higher, heavier traffic. Lawmakers from rural districts rallied around an amendment by Rep. Tracy King, D-Batesville, to prioritize spending on those roads.

"Do you want to be in the first Legislature to let a paved road become a gravel road?" King asked.

But Transportation Committee Chairman Larry Philips, R-Sherman, said the Senate would reject the amendment and lawmakers in the House ultimately rejected it.

"It's absolutely a problem in Texas today, because there are those out there right now who are saying that these goals can be accomplished without additional funding, and that's simply not true and it's wrong for the long-run of Texas," Hammond said. "We try to take the long view, investments in water and roads are desperately needed in Texas and they are the right thing to do."

GRINDERS

From 1A

Monster energy drinks, were favorable to me. Unfortunately, for those who like free refills, Grinders lacked a fountain machine. The very friendly cashier had no problem telling me which chip flavors they had, a question every customer had because the chips were behind the counter in plastic bins.

As I sat down in the roomy dining area, I observed the cold prime rib club sub that I ordered. Grinders boasts on its menu that the regular 7-inch sub, the one I got, has half a pound of meat. Although I did not see anyone order a large sub, maybe because of the $10-plus prices, I could imagine those being for the truly brave and ultra-hungry. The menu says the large subs have a pound of meat.

The bread and meat reminded me of a Jimmy Johns sub, which is to say that it was excellent. I added several toppings out of 10 to 12 that included olive oil, vinegar, oregano, lettuce and tomato. The sub didn't have the weighty feel of a Firehouse sub but also lacked the emptiness of a Subway sub. The prime rib had marbling and taste similar to roast beef. It was good enough to eat on its own.

At this point in Midland's dining scene, anything is a welcome addition. Grinders is worth checking out, but wait until the staff, and customers, become more familiar with the ordering process.

More info

Grinders Sub Shop is on 11 Meta Drive Suite B
Hours are from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

MFD

From 1A

conferencing capabilities built into the architectural designs. Firefighters and administration personnel generally have to leave the fire district for training or meetings, but the addition of video conferencing will change that, according to previous reports.

Once station No. 10 has been finished, Isbell said the city will begin shuffling resources to grow into the new space. One move involves tearing down stations No. 5 and No. 6 and rebuilding them with specifications that meet the needs of modern firefighters, he said. Isbell said those renovations will be needed since those stations were built in the 1950s and are "sorely out of date."

Once those buildings are renovated, stations No. 11 and No. 12 will see similar renovations, Isbell said.

P&Z

From 1A

Darrell Mann, the architect for Abuelo's from the MWM Architects firm, said the restaurant is moving from its current location in the Polo Park Shopping Center because the lease will expire in eight months. He also said construction of the new location is estimated to be complete at the same time as the lease's expiration.

The grand opening is planned for April.

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Taste test: Lab-grown hamburger short on flavor

Associated Press

LONDON — The food of the future could do with a pinch of seasoning — and maybe some cheese.

Two volunteers who took the first public bites of hamburger grown in a laboratory gave it good marks for texture but agreed there was something missing.

"I miss the salt and pepper," said Austrian nutritionist Hanni Ruetzler. U.S. journalist Josh Schonwald confessed to a difficulty in judging a burger "without ketchup or onions or jalapenos or bacon." Both tasters shunned the bun, lettuce and sliced tomatoes offered to them to concentrate on the flavor of the meat itself.

Mark Post, the Dutch scientist who led the team that grew the meat from cattle stem cells, regretted having served the patty without his favorite topping: aged gouda cheese.

"That would have enhanced the whole experience tremendously," he told The Associated Press. He said he was pleased with the reviews: "It's not perfect, but it's a good start."

Post, whose team at Maastricht University in the Netherlands developed the burger over five years, hopes that making meat in labs could eventually help feed the world and fight climate change — although that goal is probably a decade or two away, at best.

"The first (lab-made) meat products are going to be very exclusive," said Isha Datar, director of New Harvest, an international nonprofit that promotes meat alternatives. "These burgers won't be in Happy Meals before someone rich and famous is eating them."

Sergey Brin, a co-founder of Google, announced that he funded the $330,000 project, saying he was motivated by a concern for animal welfare.

"We're trying to create the first cultured beef hamburger," he said in a videotaped message. "From there, I'm optimistic we can really scale up by leaps and bounds."

Associated Press

A cultured beef burger made from cultured beef grown in a laboratory from stem cells of cattle, is cooked by chef Richard McGeown during the world's first public tasting event for the food product held in London, Monday. The cultured beef product was developed by Professor Mark Post, of Netherland's Maastricht University. The cultured beef could help solve the coming food crisis and combat climate change, according to the producers of the burger which cost about $332,000 to produce.

Scientists agreed that improving the flavor probably won't be hard.

"Taste is the least (important) problem since this could be controlled by letting some of the stem cells develop into fat cells," said Stig Omholt, director of biotechnology at the Norwegian University of Life Sciences.

Adding fat to the burgers this way would probably be healthier than getting it from naturally chunky cows, said Omholt, who was not involved in the project. He called Monday's tasting a publicity stunt — but not in a bad way. He said it was a smart way to draw public attention, and possibly investor funds, to efforts to develop lab-grown meat.

Post's team made the meat from shoulder muscle cells of two organically raised cows. The cells were put into a nutrient solution to help them develop into muscle tissue, and they grew into small strands of meat.

It took nearly 20,000 strands to make a single 140-gram (5-ounce) patty, which for Monday's event was seasoned with salt, egg powder and breadcrumbs. Red beet juice and saffron were added to help the burger look more meat-like; Post said the lab-made patty had a yellowish tinge.

"I'm a vegetarian, but I would be first in line to try this," said Jonathan Garlick, a stem cell researcher at Tufts University School of Dental Medicine in Boston. He has used similar techniques to make human skin but wasn't involved in the burger research.

Experts say new ways of producing meat are needed to satisfy growing carnivorous appetites without exhausting resources. By 2050, the Food and Agriculture Organization predicts global meat consumption will double as more people in developing countries can afford it. Raising animals destined for the dinner table takes up about 70 percent of all agricultural land.

The animal rights group PETA has thrown its support behind the lab-meat initiative.

"As long as there's anybody who's willing to kill a chicken, a cow or a pig to make their meal, we are all for this," said Ingrid Newkirk, PETA's president and co-founder. "Instead of the millions and billions (of animals) being slaughtered now, we could just clone a few cells to make burgers or chops," she said.

If the product is ever ready for market, national food authorities will likely require data proving the lab meat is safe; there is no precedent. Some experts said officials might regulate the process used to make such meat, similar to how they monitor beer and wine production.

Only one patty was cooked Monday, and the testers each took less than half of it. Post said he would take the leftovers home so his kids can have a taste.

Illegal buttocks injections can kill, maim women

Associated Press

JACKSON, Miss. — Women across the U.S. are risking their lives for black market procedures to make their buttocks bigger, often involving home-improvement materials such as silicone injected by people without medical training.

Some want to fill out a bikini or a pair of jeans. Others believe a bigger bottom will bring them work as music video models or adult entertainers. Whatever the reason, they are seeking cheaper alternatives to plastic surgery — sometimes with deadly or disfiguring results.

Deaths from black market buttocks injections have been reported in Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Pennsylvania, Nevada and New York. An interior decorator in Mississippi faces trial in the deaths of two women who were injected at her house.

Though there is little data on the procedures or injuries they cause, doctors and authorities say they are seeing them more often. Online forums used to set up the illegal procedures have attracted thousands of responses. Some men also seek out buttocks enhancements, but the procedures are much more popular among women.

Very big buttocks have been popular in hip-hop videos for years, celebrated by songs like the 1990s hit "Baby Got Back" by Sir Mix-a-Lot, with lyrics declaring, "I like big butts and I cannot lie."

But Dionne Stephens — an assistant professor of psychology at Florida International University who studies race, gender and sexuality in hip-hop culture — said celebrities such as Jennifer Lopez, Beyonce and Kim Kardashian have the shapely body part popular among an increasing number of women of all races and ethnicities.

The problem is that some of them toss caution aside when black market procedures are the only ones they can afford.

"It is very scary that this is happening," Stephens said.

For 46-year-old Apryl Michelle Brown, the path to a black-market injection started with people teasing her as a child about having a "pancake butt."

Years later, a woman walked in Brown's beauty salon in California and told her she could make her butt bigger with injections. It seemed like "divine intervention," Brown recalls.

"It was just something I felt inside of me, that I felt would make me better. I just didn't want the pancake booty anymore," she said.

The following week, she was at the woman's house getting injections and followed up later with more.

It wasn't long before the injection sites got hard and excruciatingly painful. Brown eventually began looking for doctors to remove the material, which she learned was an industrial silicone available at a home improvement store.

After surgery in 2011, a staph infection left her near death. Both hands and feet were amputated.

Today, Brown has a website and speaks on the topic, trying to convince others that they are beautiful the way they are.

"I would never want anybody else to go through this, not even lose one finger, much less all their limbs," she said.

Despite a lack of hard numbers, there's anecdotal evidence that the illegal procedures are becoming more common.

In April 2007, someone posted this question on the website Topix.com: "is there any truth to this madness about some type of butt injections to make your butt bigger someone enlighten me."

There have been more than 14,000 responses, with new ones almost every day. Some of the responses are horror stories. More of them go like this one, posted recently: "Does anyone know of a good injector in Los Angeles County?"

Or this one on July 10, "Safe reliable injector will be in NJ the week of the 15th. Booking appointments now."

Investigators say a Georgia woman who died after getting injections in Mississippi in 2012 used the Internet to find someone to inject her.

First, she connected with an adult entertainer and hip hop model named Natasha Stewart, who goes by the moniker Pebbelz Da Model. The two met in New York, and Karima Gordon paid Stewart $200 for a referral, prosecutors say. Authorities say Gordon was told the injections would be performed by a trained medical professional.

In March 2012, Gordon drove with a friend from Atlanta to Jackson, Miss., to the home of 53-year-old Tracey Lynn Garner, also known as Morris Garner, a floral and interior decorator with no medical training. The cost was $1,500. Early in the case, authorities referred to Garner as a man, but her attorney says she had surgery to change gender.

Gordon died of blood clots in her lungs a few days later. There was so much of a "silicone-like" substance in her buttocks that it spilled onto the floor and "all over the place" when a medical examiner cut into her during the autopsy, according to an investigator's testimony from September.

Garner and Stewart, 40, are currently charged in Hinds County, Miss., with depraved-heart murder. They have pleaded not guilty. They are scheduled for trial next year.

A gag order in the case prohibits attorneys from commenting.

Garner was later charged in the 2010 death of an Alabama woman and also pleaded not guilty to that charge.

Authorities haven't said what substance Garner used, though industrial silicone has been used in other cases.

In a Florida criminal case, Shatarka Nuby paid $2,000 for injections at people's homes, according to police reports.

Dr. John Martin, a plastic surgeon in Coral Gables, Fla., said illicit cosmetic procedures have become common. Sometimes multiple people are injected in hotel rooms in "pumping parties."

Some people have silicone injected in their faces, where it can cause protruding, rock-hard nodules, but it's easier to treat than the large amounts injected into the buttocks. It's so difficult to remove very large amounts of silicone from the buttocks that many doctors, including Martin, won't even try.

"When you put in a large amount of silicone, it can drift. If I fill your butt with this huge amount of silicone, it can run down your leg and you have to get your leg amputated," Martin said.

It can also cause infections and blood clots. If the needles hit a blood vessel, the silicone can enter the blood stream and work its way to the lungs, Martin said.

Doctors won't perform buttocks injections, but they do offer lifts and buttocks implants. Doctors performed more than 3,700 of those legal procedures last year, generating more than $17 million, according to the American Society of Plastic Surgeons.

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Associated Press

In this still frame made from security camera footage from Snapchat Inc. headquarters, pedestrians scatter as a car drives through a packed afternoon crowd along the Venice Beach boardwalk in Los Angeles Aug. 3. A driver plowed into crowds at the Venice Beach boardwalk in a seemingly intentional hit-and-run that killed a woman and injured 11 other people.

Colorado resident held in beach rampage

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — A man who spent time in jail for shoplifting in Colorado was in custody Monday for investigation of running down a dozen people along the Venice Beach boardwalk, including an Italian tourist who was living her dream of honeymooning in California.

Little information was released about 38-year-old Nathan Louis Campbell, who was arrested for investigation of murder after he walked into a police station several hours after the rampage and allegedly said he was involved. He remained in custody on $1 million bail.

Court records showed Campbell was sentenced to five days in jail after pleading guilty to shoplifting at a Denver Pavilions in February 2009. Five months later, he was accused of trespassing at an outdoor mall in Denver and sentenced to 10 days in jail, the records show.

Campbell lived in Colorado at least as recently as last year. He was evicted from his apartment in Denver for not paying $655 in rent in March 2012, records show.

California authorities said no one with his name and birth date had a state driver's license.

Killed in Saturday's rampage was 32-year-old Alice Gruppioni. Her family said she was a businesswoman who never ceased to be a romantic girl dreaming about her bridal gown and meeting Prince Charming.

"She was robbed of her life while living her dream visit to California with her husband and this was a tremendous injustice," the family said in a statement.

The hit-and-run hurt 11 other people who moments earlier had been enjoying an afternoon of strolling and shopping along one of the top tourist attractions in Los Angeles.

Police have not yet presented their case to prosecutors, and they declined to discuss a possible motive. However, Deputy Chief Kirk Albanese said there was no indication the attack was a terrorist act or that anyone else was involved.

Police said the driver of the car initially parked outside a hotel and surveyed the boardwalk, where hundreds of people were sitting at cafes, walking along the seashore or shopping for jewelry, art or other items at vending stands.

Surveillance video showed the driver getting into a Dodge sedan, steering around a vehicle barrier and careening through the crowd.

Two mannequins and an ATM were knocked down as the car started hitting people. It swerved from side to side, often running straight into victims. The car struck at least three vendors — a fortune teller, a couple selling jewelry and a female tattoo artist.

Witnesses said the car was traveling at least 35 mph along the crowded boardwalk.

The driver eventually turned up a side street and headed away from the ocean. The car was abandoned less than two miles away.

People were "stumbling around, blood dripping down their legs, looking confused not knowing what had happened, people screaming," said Louisa Hodge, who described "blocks and blocks of people just strewn across the sidewalk."

Gruppioni's aunt demanded justice after the rampage.

"The only thing I want, that he is absolutely not set free. I don't want this person to be around," Katia Gruppioni told The Associated Press.

Alice Gruppioni was a general manager for the family business that makes radiators. Her father, Valerio Gruppioni, runs the company and was formerly president of the Bologna soccer team, according to Italian news agency LaPresse.

Another person was critically injured. Two others were taken to hospitals in serious condition. Eight suffered less serious injuries, police said.

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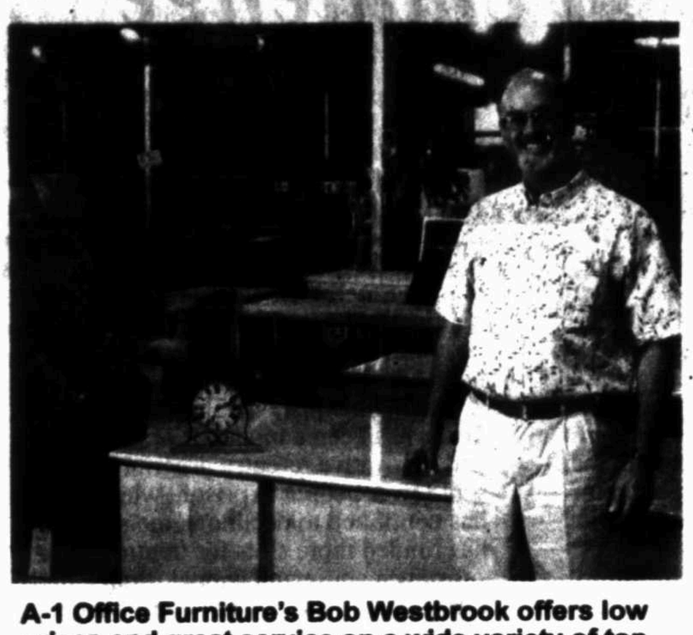

A-1 Office Furniture's Bob Westbrook offers low prices and great service on a wide variety of top quality new and used office furniture. See him in the big yellow building at 401 West Industrial.

The Permian Basin economy is great, but the downside (besides traffic jams) is that prices on most everything are skyrocketing. At A-1 Office Furniture, General Manager Bob Westbrook and owners Harry and Lola Crawford are making sure their business is the exception.

While their building is a can't miss yellow, it is a warehouse. A well-stocked warehouse, with new and used office furniture of all types. You'll find desks, chairs, credenzas, returns, file cabinets, tables, and so much more.

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You will find great prices on everything from the most elegant desk and office sets to the most economical and functional furniture. A-1's low overhead extends throughout the building.

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And it's not just out of a catalogue, although ordering from there gives you basically unlimited options. You can first look over and check the quality of furniture that is in stock before you buy the arrangement you need.

However you need your configuration to be, Bob and the staff at A-1 can get you there. They can even help you design your office space, whether it's at a new office, an additional floor of the building you're already in, or just to squeeze in a couple more desks.

After you decide on the floor layout, A-1's trained staff will deliver and assemble your new furniture and arrange or move your existing furniture.

Speaking of moves, if your business has outgrown its old space and is moving across town, or adding a second location involving some furniture from your current office, A-1 can do that move for you, anywhere within about a 100 mile radius of Midland.

A-1 also wants to give back to the community. They have some desks on consignment from CASA, for which a portion of the proceeds of the sale will return to CASA. A-1 will also give a portion of the proceeds from sales to a local charity—one you can name if you have a favorite. The donation can be made in your company's name.

Get that list together, from one or two items to a whole building—shop around, then stop in at A-1 Office Furniture and save some serious money on top quality furniture.

A-1 Office Furniture is located at 401 West Industrial, in the big yellow building. The phone number is 432-570-9599.

Re-Bath adds some very exciting new colors

When you decide to remodel that old, stained and peeling bath, you want to go all out. After all, you'll never have a better chance to get *exactly* what you want.

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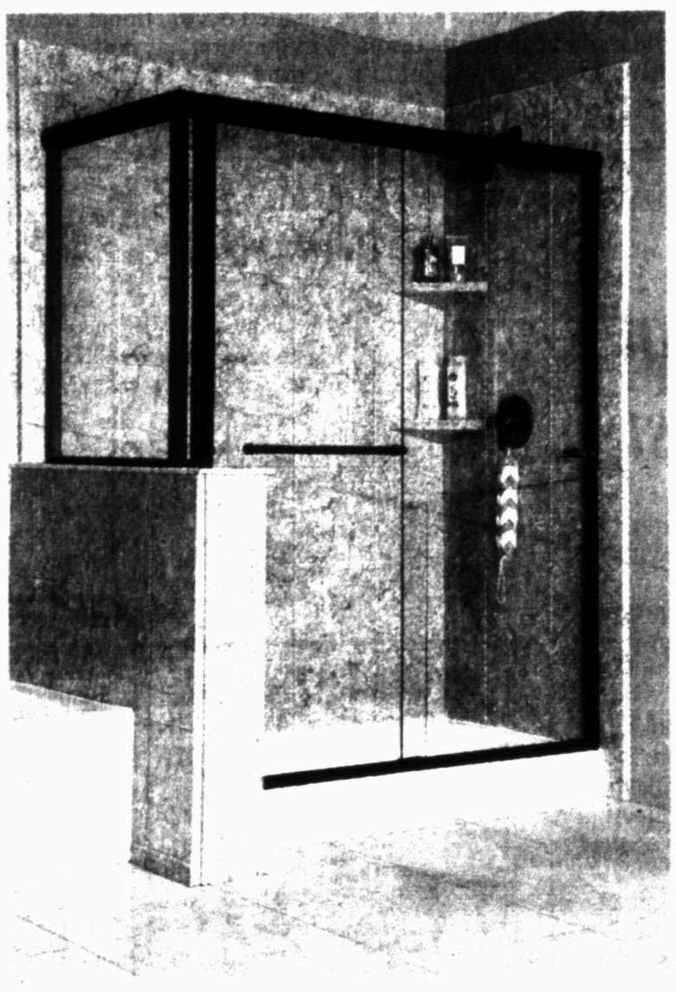

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Reforming prison system poses a challenge

■ The vast prison-industrial complex has succeeded in reducing crime but does a poor job preparing prisoners to return to the real world

RICH LOWRY
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Prison is one of the most important institutions in American life. About a quarter of all the world's prisoners are behind bars in the United States, a total of roughly 2 million people. It costs about $60 billion a year to imprison them.

This vast prison-industrial complex has succeeded in reducing crime but is a blunt instrument. Prison stays often constitute a graduate seminar in crime, and at the very least, the system does a poor job preparing prisoners to return to the real world. Since 95 percent of prisoners will eventually be released, this is not a minor problem.

Prison tends to be harsh in small-minded ways (taking away weights and various TV programs) and lax in the important things. Needless to say, sexual violence and de facto rule by gangs — all too common — shouldn't be tolerated in a civilized country. And when it comes to inculcating habits that might make prisoners decent citizens, prison should be more prescriptive, rather than less.

In an essay in the journal National Affairs, Eli Lehrer sets out an agenda for reform geared toward rehabilitation, and the conservative group Right on Crime advocates a similar program.

Most fundamentally, prisoners should be required to do what many of them have never done before, namely an honest day's work. Fewer than a third of offenders hold full-time jobs at the time of their arrest, according to Lehrer. They won't acquire a work ethic in prison. University of Pennsylvania Law School professor Stephanos Bibas notes that only about 8 percent of prisoners work in prison industries, and about 4 percent on prison farms.

Labor unions and businesses have long supported restrictions on productive work by prisoners for fear of cheap competition, but their self-interested concerns shouldn't obstruct attempts to instill the most basic American norm in people desperately in need of it. Prisoners should be made to work, but be paid for it and rewarded if they are particularly diligent and skilled. As Bibas argues, some of the proceeds can go to restitution for victims, to paying for their upkeep, and to support their families.

Prison should align itself with other norms. Inmates with drug and alcohol addictions should be forced to get treatment. There should be maximum openness to faith-based programs. Prisoners should be encouraged to keep in contact with their families rather than cut off from them through what Bibas calls "cumbersome visiting policies and extortionate telephone rates."

Once offenders get out, there's a good chance that they are going back. Lehrer notes that about 40 percent of ex-prisoners are rearrested within three years. The goal should be to reduce recidivism as much as possible. Offenders shouldn't be discharged directly from solitary confinement, or discharged without a photo ID. In the job market, they shouldn't be denied occupational licenses when the job in question has nothing to do with their crime. They should, if their crime wasn't too serious, eventually have it expunged from the records for most purposes.

Ex-inmates out on parole or on probation should be monitored more closely. As Lehrer writes, "Transition programs should increasingly involve random, unannounced home visits, subject ex-offenders to round-the-clock electronic monitoring, require them to take random drug tests, and offer them swift and certain punishment for slip-ups."

Playing against type, hang-'em-high Texas has been a model of prison reform and innovative re-entry programs. It has sent fewer people to prison, while crime has continued to decline in the state. It has funded more slots for treatment for substance abuse and mental illness, and increased the use of drug courts, creating alternatives to prison. It has strengthened supervision of probationers and parolees, by reducing caseloads for officers and fashioning a system of swift and certain sanctions for violations.

We have proved in the past several decades that we can lock a lot of people up. The challenge now is if we can do it more humanely and intelligently and, ultimately, create less work for the prison-industrial complex.

OUR VIEWS

Public transportation comes at greater cost

Don't say those opposing such an all-in attitude toward public transportation in Midland didn't warn us that the city's cost would increase. They did.

This past week, we learned the cities of Midland and Odessa will spend another $63,500 to help EZ Rider, the public transportation system in our cities. That means the city's contribution has increased from $235,000 to $313,500 in the last five years.

When the Midland City Council voted for the return of public transportation to our city more than a decade ago, there were those who said if contributions from the federal and state governments drop or costs rise, it will be the local taxpayer paying the bill. And with Midland and Odessa having increased their respective contributions for the second time, those people are right.

In our view, public transportation is a need in our community. However, we can't ignore the fact that EZ Rider collected just more than 65 cents for every fixed-route ride offered in May. The price of a bus fare for adults is $1.25.

Let's say EZ Rider collected just $1 for every ride, that would have been an extra $6,000 in revenue. Multiply that by 12 months and all of the extra money asked of the cities would have been covered (with an extra $8,000-plus to spare).

We don't believe it is asking too much for EZ Rider to collect what is expected of a ride across town. It is still a bargain. It would also go a long way to lessening the burden on the taxpayer. We wish the Midland-Odessa Urban Transit District board would see it that way instead of complaining year after year about how little money the cities kick in.

Obama attacks Keystone with his own facts

It is not a surprise that President Barack Obama delays the approval of a key segment of the Keystone XL oil pipeline. Appealing to the environmentalists in his party, he disregards a project that we believe would put Americans to work right now. It is shovel-ready.

The president in a recent interview and speech said otherwise.

"Republicans have said that this would be a big jobs generator. There is no evidence that that's true," he said in The New York Times interview. "And my hope would be that any reporter who is looking at the facts would take the time to confirm that the most realistic estimates are this might create maybe 2,000 jobs during the construction of the pipeline — which might take a year or two — and then after that we're talking about somewhere between 50 and 100 (chuckles) jobs in an economy of 150 million working people. ... That is a blip relative to the need."

According to an Associated Press fact check, "It's not clear where Obama came up with the 2,000-jobs figure;" the project's developer, Calgary-based TransCanada, has said the pipeline could create as many as 13,000 construction jobs. And that is the tip of the iceberg of a project that even the unions support.

The State Department, according to the AP, estimates that the project could help create — directly and indirectly — as many as 42,000 jobs, including jobs for suppliers and subcontractors that provide equipment and materials, as well as lodging, food services and other jobs related to construction. The figure includes part-time jobs.

Maybe the project would have minimal impact on the overall U.S. jobs picture, but thousands of people could go to work now.

The president is right to offer his opinion on the project, but we are disappointed he did so misrepresenting the facts on what Keystone is about.

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Anne Frank is a role model, martyr

■ In one diary entry she wrote, 'I want to go on living even after my death.' And so she has.

CAL THOMS
Tribune Content Agency

Some Palestinian leaders have made statements about Israel in general and Jews in particular that track with Nazi beliefs and propaganda. It is a sober reminder that history can repeat itself.

AMSTERDAM — On the day I visit the Anne Frank House, which is actually the family's hiding place atop Anne's father's business, the wait to get in is as long as three hours. Such is the attraction of this historic site, 53 years after it was opened to the public.

Anne and her family were among an estimated 107,000 Jews deported to concentration camps from The Netherlands during the German occupation in World War II.

Anne's diary has sold more than 30 million copies worldwide and is available in 75 languages. It is not only a testament to the indomitable spirit of a young girl, but a vision of hope in the midst of perhaps the greatest inhumanity in world history.

While I have visited several museums and memorials to the Jewish victims of the Holocaust, my first visit to Anne's hiding place was quite different. Her story and that of her family and some friends who eluded the Nazis for two years before they were betrayed by an unknown person, is a living narrative that must be retold to this and future generations.

The timing of my visit coincides with the resumption of "peace talks" between Israel and the Palestinians. Some Palestinian leaders have made statements about Israel in general and Jews in particular that track with Nazi beliefs and propaganda. It is a sober reminder that history can repeat itself.

Anne's appreciation of her culture finds full expression in this diary entry dated April 11, 1944: "God has never deserted our people. Through the ages Jews have had to suffer, but through the ages they have gone on living, and the centuries of suffering have only made them stronger. The weak shall fall and the strong shall survive and not be defeated!"

In the midst of this declaration of strength, there was also her understandable fear of being discovered. As Anne wrote, also on April 11 after hearing footsteps and noises outside the wall that separated her family from the rest of the building: "That night I really thought I was going to die. I waited for the police and I was ready for death, like a soldier on the battlefield. I'd gladly have given my life for my country. But now that I've been spared, my first wish after the war is to become a Dutch citizen. I love the Dutch. I love this country. I love the language and I want to work here..."

Ultimately she was not spared, but the literary classic she created in the midst of suffering, indeed because of it, has survived.

Anne and her sister, Margot, died of typhus in the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp in March 1945, just weeks before liberating British troops arrived. Their bodies were probably dumped in a mass grave.

In a diary entry dated April 4, 1944, Anne wrote, "I want to go on living even after my death." And so she has. Her desire was to be a writer and she succeeded in her short life more than many writers who live a normal lifespan.

Her modest living conditions after the family was forced to move out of their home, is a monument to the power of individual courage and the triumph of good over evil. In her diary, as in her life, Anne Frank is a heroine, a role model, a martyr and a reminder of the power and influence one individual can have.

Anne Frank's life was a candle in the midst of great darkness. Her flame should burn forever.

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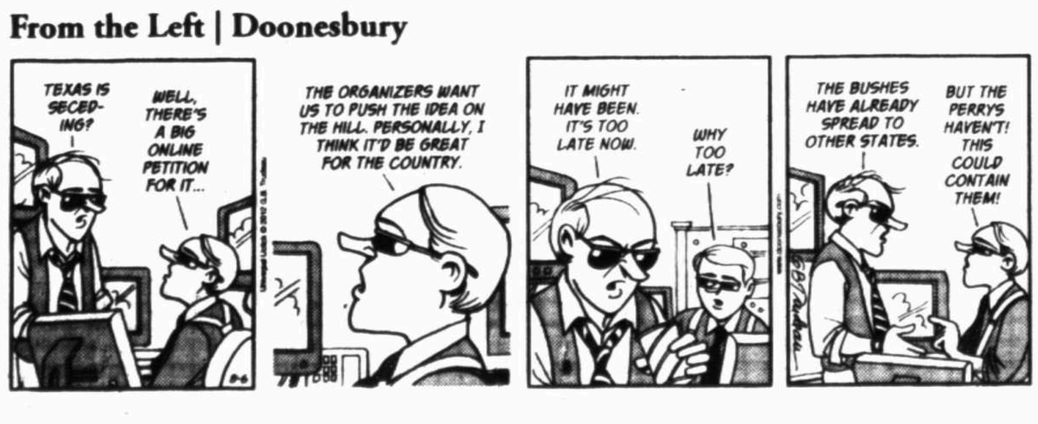

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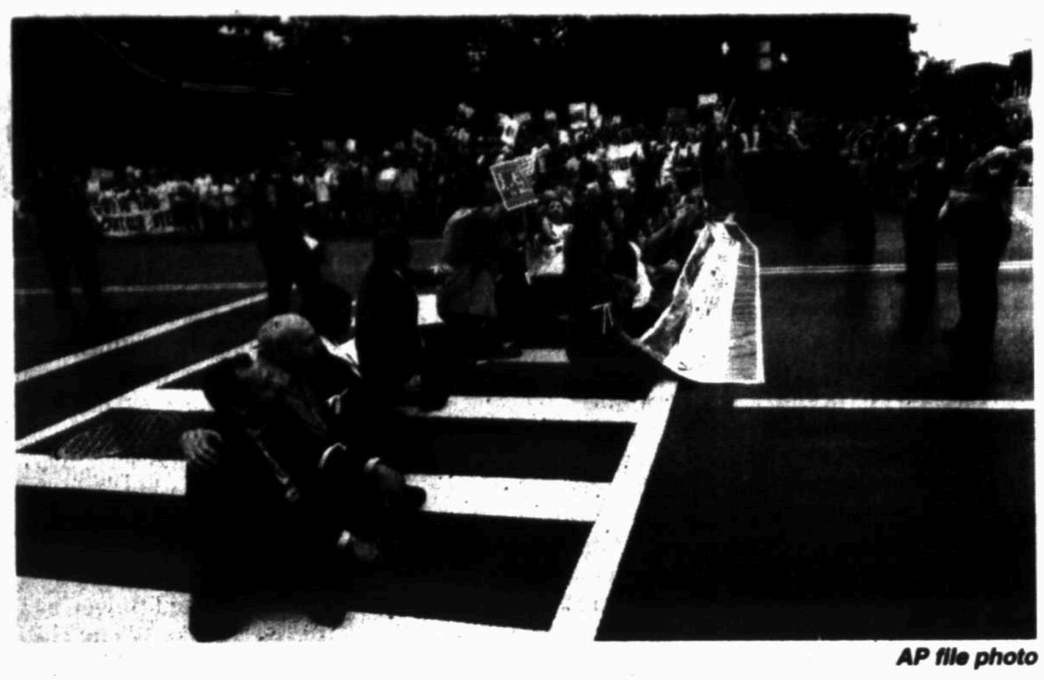
Immigration bill critics focus on health law delay

Associated Press



AP file photo

Immigration reform supporters blocking a street on Capitol Hill in Washington on Thursday. For many House conservatives, President Barack Obama's decision to delay a central provision of his health care law has emerged as a major stumbling block — not to health coverage, but to an immigration bill.

WASHINGTON — For many House conservatives, President Barack Obama's decision to delay a central provision of his health care law has emerged as a major arguing point — not against that law but in opposition to immigration legislation.

In the weeks since the announcement that employers won't have to provide health insurance for another year, complaints have increased among House Republicans that they can't trust the Obama administration to implement any law they pass. That includes strict requirements for immigrants, tighter border security and genuine workplace hiring enforcement.

That refrain is heard often from GOP lawmakers, most of whom now are home for a five-week summer recess that's expected to feature demonstrations around the country by advocates as well as opponents of a broad immigration overhaul. It's one more daunting obstacle to House action after Senate passage in June of a sweeping bill to increase border security, remake rules for legal immigration and offer eventual citizenship to the estimated 11 million immigrants already in the U.S. illegally.

"We all take an oath to uphold the laws of this country and our Constitution, and that doesn't mean you pick the laws you like and you ignore the laws you don't," said Rep. Steve Scalise, R-La., who heads the conservative Republican Study Committee in the House. "And yet the president has shown a willingness to be selective in how he enforces laws."

House Republicans also are skeptical of the comprehensive approach taken by the Senate, preferring to confront the immigration issue in bits and pieces. Many oppose legalization or citizenship for people who crossed the border illegally or overstayed their visas to be in this country.

For some, whether an immigration law would be properly implemented has emerged as a key point, particularly because of the government's unimpressive record on enforcing past laws on immigration.

Past Congresses called for completing hundreds of miles of border fencing and a biometric entry-exit system at U.S. ports. Neither happened. But the most oft-cited example is the 1986 immigration law signed by President Ronald Reagan, which gave citizenship to some 3 million people here illegally, installed the first requirements for employers to check workers' legal status and boosted border security. The legalization happened, but the workplace and border provisions proved ineffectual, and the law came nowhere close to its goal of stopping illegal immigration.

"They don't trust government. You go back to the '86 legalization where certain things were promised that weren't delivered," said Rep. Mario Diaz-Balart, R-Fla., who supports a comprehensive immigration overhaul bill and is part of a bipartisan House group that's been working behind the scenes for months to write one.

"It has been clearly amplified tenfold by the Obama administration. The most recent example of that was on Obamacare," Diaz-Balart said. "So our challenge is can we then demonstrate that we can enforce that enforcement."

Some proponents of an immigration overhaul dismiss the implementation argument as an excuse from House Republicans looking for reasons not to act on a politically explosive issue that some still characterize as amnesty for lawbreakers.

"If that's the logic, that Obama won't enforce the law if we pass it, then pass no laws. It's ludicrous to say that. If the president doesn't enforce laws, we have ways to go to court and force him, or her, to enforce laws," said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., an author of the immigration bill in the Senate. "Of all the reasons I've heard in opposition to immigration, that's the one that has no validity whatsoever."

House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, has rejected the Senate's immigration bill and says the House will proceed with narrowly tailored bills, beginning with border security. Timing is uncertain, especially because the House has only nine legislative days scheduled in September and faces pressing fiscal and budgetary deadlines.

House Homeland Security Chairman Mike McCaul, R-Texas, says he's spoken with Boehner about action in September or early October on a border security bill approved by his panel in May.

That bill, which has found support among conservative Republicans and liberal Democrats, would require the secretary of homeland security to develop a strategy to gain operational control of the border within five years and a plan to implement the strategy. It calls on the Government Accountability Office to oversee the steps being taken.

The bill doesn't call for new spending, and stands in contrast to the approach taken in the Senate, where a last-minute compromise designed to attract more GOP votes would provide for a "border surge" with $46 billion in new spending on drones, helicopters and other technology, a doubling of agents patrolling the border with Mexico and hundreds of miles of new fencing.

Even some supporters called the Senate deal overkill, and McCain acknowledged recently that 20,000 additional border patrol agents really weren't necessary. And although the deal was designed to win over Republicans concerned about border security, it hasn't convinced many in the House. They describe the Senate approach as throwing money at the problem and complain that it still gives too much discretion to the Obama administration.

McCaul said that his bill, in contrast, would take politics out of the equation by giving oversight to the Government Accountability Office. Now he's trying to convince skeptical colleagues.

"That's what I tell my members," McCaul said, "is that, 'Yeah, I know you don't think he's going to follow anything, but he's got to report to the Congress and to my committee."

2013 Property Tax Rates in Midland County

This notice concerns the 2013 property tax rates for Midland County. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual tax rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers start rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per $100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	
Last year's operating taxes	$24,509,960
Last year's debt taxes	$779,824
Last year's total taxes	$25,289,784
Last year's tax base	$16,338,230,753
Last year's total tax rate	$0.154789/$100
This year's effective tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	$25,073,395
÷ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	$17,886,816,372
=This year's effective tax rate	$0.140178/$100
(Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)	
This year's rollback tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent healthcare expenditures)	$58,696,477
÷ This year's adjusted tax base	$17,886,816,372
=This year's effective operating rate	$0.328155/$100
x **1.08**=this year's maximum operating rate	$0.354407/$100
+ This year's debt rate	$0.013804/$100
= This year's total rollback rate	$0.368211/$100
-Sales tax adjustment rate	$0.197612/$100
=Rollback tax rate	$0.170599/$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If Midland County adopts a 2013 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of $0.140178 per $100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2012 taxes by $460,401.

Schedule A: Unencumbered Fund Balance

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
General Fund	59,000,000
Road and Bridge Fund	2,900,000
Debt Service Fund	660,200

Schedule B: General Fund - 2013 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
2004 Certificate of Obligation	480,000	288,208	0	768,208
2009 Certificate of Obligation	885,000	882,544	0	1,767,544

Total required for 2013 debt service	$2,535,752
- Amount (if any) paid from Schedule A	$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources	$0
- Excess collections last year	$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2013	$2,535,752
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 100.00% of its taxes in 2013	$0
= Total debt levy	$2,535,752

Schedule C - Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax

In calculating its effective and rollback tax rates, the unit estimated that it will receive $29,900,000 in additional sales and use tax revenues. The county has excluded any amount that is or will be distributed for economic development grants from this amount of expected sales tax revenue.

Schedule F - Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures

The Midland County spent $623,270 from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 on enhanced indigent health care at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is $98,065.

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 2110 North A Street Midland, Texas 79705.

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Defense: Woman devastated by husband's death

DECATUR — Andrea Sneiderman was a happily married mother devastated by her husband's killing, not the woman prosecutors described as engaged in a "forbidden romance" with the boss who fatally shot her spouse outside a preschool, defense attorneys said Monday.

The contrasting portraits of Sneiderman emerged during opening statements in her trial on charges of lying under oath and hindering the investigation into her husband's death. Prosecutors initially said Sneiderman arranged her husband's killing, but murder charges against her were dropped.

Sneiderman's husband, 36-year-old Rusty Sneiderman, was fatally shot in November 2010 outside a suburban Atlanta preschool. Andrea Sneiderman's former boss Hemy Neuman was convicted in the killing in March 2012, but he was found to be mentally ill.

The 37-year-old Sneiderman has pleaded not guilty and has repeatedly denied any romantic relationship with Neuman.

DeKalb County prosecutor Kellie Hill told the jury that evidence in the case will show that soon after Andrea Sneiderman took a job at General Electric, she formed a friendship with Neuman that quickly blossomed into a romantic relationship. But because she was married with young children, she felt conflicted about their relationship and was hot and cold with Neuman, Hill said.

OHIO

Autopsy: Condemned man apparently hanged himself

COLUMBUS — A condemned inmate used an item he was permitted to have to apparently hang himself days before his execution — a rare, but not unprecedented, death row suicide.

An autopsy on Monday found that Billy Slagle's death at the Chillicothe Correctional Institution was consistent with suicide by hanging. A final cause of death won't be released until toxicology tests and the prison's investigation are completed, said Mike Ratliff, chief investigator for the Ross County coroner.

Prison officials haven't said how Slagle, 44, hanged himself early Sunday morning. Prison spokeswoman JoEllen Smith would only say that Slagle used something he was allowed to have in his cell.

Slagle was scheduled to be executed Wednesday for fatally stabbing a neighbor in 1987 during a Cleveland burglary. His lawyers were working to halt the execution and still hoping for a new trial.

There were at least three other death row suicides nationwide this year despite intensive security over the condemned.

Bulger lawyer says witnesses told lies

• *Associated Press*

BOSTON — James "Whitey" Bulger's lawyers used their closing arguments Monday to go after three gangsters who took the stand against the reputed Boston crime boss, portraying them as pathological liars whose testimony was bought and paid for by prosecutors.

A federal prosecutor, meanwhile, summed up the government's case by calling Bulger "one of the most vicious, violent and calculating criminals ever to walk the streets of Boston," and urged the jury to convict him of charges that include 19 killings committed during the 1970s and '80s.

The jury is expected to begin deliberating today in the racketeering case against the 83-year-old Bulger, whose 16 years on the run exposed the FBI's corrupt relationship with its underworld informants.

Bulger's lawyers attacked the credibility of three key government witnesses: former hit man John Martorano, one-time Bulger protege Kevin Weeks and killer Stephen "The Rifleman" Flemmi.

Defense attorney J.W. Carney Jr. said the three — all former Bulger loyalists — decided to "add a little Bulger to the mix" to almost every crime they were questioned about so they could get time shaved off their sentences.

"The witnesses are selling their testimony to the government," Carney said. "The currency that's used here: How much freedom is the person going to get? The currency is the power of the government to keep someone locked up in a cell, surrounded by four concrete walls topped by barbed wires."

Martorano and Weeks have completed their prison sentences and are free. Flemmi struck a deal to avoid the death penalty and is serving a life sentence.

"You have to sit there and ask yourself — why are they still walking the streets? If they're so vicious and violent and our government knows about it, why are they out there right now?" another Bulger attorney, Hank Brennan, asked the jury.

The defense went after Flemmi in particular, saying Flemmi, not Bulger, had a motive to kill the two women who are among the 19 murder victims. According to testimony, Flemmi had been sexually abusing one of the women — his own stepdaughter — for years.

"He killed his stepdaughter so she wouldn't say what he had been doing to her," Carney said.

During the government's closing argument, prosecutor Fred Wyshak recounted grisly details of the killings Bulger is accused of committing or orchestrating.

Among the victims, he told the jury, were two men who were chained to chairs for hours, interrogated, then shot in the head, two women who were strangled, and two men who died in a hail of gunfire as they left a South Boston restaurant.

Wyshak said Bulger, as the boss of the Winter Hill Gang, South Boston's Irish mob, was a hands-on killer who carried out many of the slayings himself.

He described the gang's array of guns, knives, a souped-up "hit car" and walkie-talkies used when the group decided to kill someone.

"They hunted their targets," Wyshak said. "These men didn't hunt animals, ladies and gentlemen, they hunted people."

In addition to the killings, Bulger is accused of numerous instances of extortion, money laundering and hoarding of guns.

Prosecutors say Bulger was secretly working as an FBI informant during the same period — a claim his lawyers have strongly disputed.

He fled Boston in 1994 after being tipped off by a retired FBI agent about his indictment and was one of the FBI's most-wanted fugitives until he was captured with his longtime girlfriend in Santa Monica, Calif., in 2011.

His disappearance proved a major embarrassment for the FBI. Investigators have said Bulger corrupted FBI agents and state police with payoffs while continuing to conduct his murderous business under their protection.

During the trial, Bulger's lawyers spent much of their time disputing allegations he was a "rat" who informed on the rival Italian mob and people in his own gang.

In addition, the defense tried to counter allegations Bulger strangled two women — something he also apparently considered a violation of his underworld code of honor.

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Davis edges closer to governor's race

New star of Texas Dems says she will decide in next couple of weeks

By Richard S. Dunham
Hearst Newspapers

WASHINGTON — State Sen. Wendy Davis, buoyed by the national attention generated by her abortion filibuster, edged ever closer to a gubernatorial candidacy today, telling an audience at the National Press Club on Monday that she had narrowed her options to a race for re-election or a run for governor.

Speaking at a podium often reserved for heads of state or presidential Cabinet members, the sudden star of Texas Democratic politics made big news back home in Texas in response to a question about her future plans from National Press Club President Angela Greiling Keane, of Bloomberg News.

"A lot of people are asking me that question, as you can imagine," Davis responded during the nationally televised event. "I'm working very hard ... to decide. I will run for two offices — either my state Senate seat or the governor."

Speaking to Texas reporters after her speech, the state's most visible Democrat said she planned to make a final decision "hopefully in just the next couple of weeks."

Democratic consultant Matt Angle, a close Davis adviser, said the senator would make a decision by Labor Day. He said she would need to raise between $30 million and $40 million to run a competitive race against the candidate who emerges from a Republican field headed by Attorney General Greg Abbott and former state GOP chairman Tom Pauken.

"If she decides to run, I believe she can" raise that amount, he said.

Davis' remarks were the clearest to date that she was seriously considering what would be an uphill race for governor in a state that hasn't elected a Democrat to statewide office since 1994. The Fort Worth Democrat also explicitly ruled out seeking either the lieutenant governor's office considered by many to be the state's most powerful or challenging Republican U.S. Sen. John Cornyn.

Davis has been encouraged by Democratic officials in Austin and nationally to run for statewide office ever since her 11-hour filibuster and her pink Mizuno sneakers made national news and energized long-suffering Texas Democrats.

"If she runs, it will be the marquee race in the country in 2014," said former Rep. Martin Frost, of Dallas. "I would encourage my wealthy friends ... this would be a good investment."

Harris County Sheriff Adrian Garcia, who flew to Washington to hear the speech, said he would support Davis for governor — if she runs.

"I will be a cheerleader working for her success," he said. "She has become the voice of women, but she's also become the voice of Texans who want a better opportunity."

The Texas legislator's appearance at the National Press Club marked her second trip to Washington in three

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NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

MRT file photo

Ethan LaPointe, 2, isn't too sure about McGruff the crime dog as his father, Adam LaPointe, with the Midland County Sheriff's Office, holds him at a National Night Out party in this August 2012 photo.

Large turnout expected for tonight's 75 scheduled local block parties

By Tyler White
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Residents across Midland will have the chance to meet their neighbors this evening during the 30th annual National Night Out event aimed at reducing crime across the city.

Neighbors will host potluck dinners and block parties in order to generate support and participation in local anti-crime programs, as well as strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community relations, said Sara Higgins, public information officer for the city.

Law enforcement officials with Midland Police Department and the Midland County Sheriff's Office will make stops at various block parties to answer any questions that residents may have about crime and law enforcement in their community, Higgins said. Emergency personnel from the Midland Fire Department also will visit some of the parties, she said.

Jessica Rodriguez, MPD community relations administrative assistant, said this year's turnout is expected to exceed last year's, with 75 block parties scheduled, consisting of about six blocks per party. She attributes the increase to fewer cancellations this year over last year, when 72 parties were held across Midland County.

Rodriguez said the block parties are important because they can offer the best crime tool available.

"If (neighbors) know each other, then your neighbors have your back," she said.

National Night Out Kickoff event

What: The public is invited to the reading of a proclamation and interact with Midland police and fire officials before they leave to attend the various block parties throughout the city.
When: 5:30 p.m.
Where: Centennial Plaza

Midland County Sheriff Gary Painter said the event is useful and one that he looks forward to each year. He said National Night Out has had a strongly positive effect on Midland County and reminds residents that they can contact law enforcement concerning suspicious activity in their area.

"This is a great opportunity for neighbors to get to know their neighbors," Painter said.

Painter said residents can further the goal of National Night Out by being aware of their surroundings and not being afraid to call 911 to report potential crimes.

Rodriguez said she receives calls from many residents inquiring about the latest burglaries and where they occurred. She added that with the oil boom and population growth, many people have neighbors who could be complete strangers. This event provides an opportunity to develop a working relationship with neighbors, she said.

Many of the block captains who have hosted events in the

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Key questions about Fort Hood trial

By Nomaan Merchant
Associated Press

DALLAS — Maj. Nidal Hasan will stand trial in a court-martial that starts today for the shooting rampage at Fort Hood that left 13 people dead and more than 30 people wounded at the Texas Army post on Nov. 5, 2009.

More on trial

Witness ready to face Hasan.

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Here are some details about the case so far and what to expect from the trial:

WHAT CHARGES DOES HASAN FACE?

Hasan faces 13 specifications of premeditated murder and 32 specifications of attempted premeditated murder under the Uniform Code of Military Justice. If convicted, he would face the death penalty.

WHY HAS THE CASE TAKEN SO LONG TO PROSECUTE?

Judges in the case have granted a series of delays for preparation or other issues, often at the request of Hasan or his attorneys. A fight over Hasan's beard, which violates military regulations, led to a stay shortly before the trial was expected to begin last year and the eventual replacement of the judge. Legal experts have said authorities are doing their best to avoid mistakes that could lead to a reversal of any guilty verdict, noting that Hasan would have multiple mandatory appeals if he's found guilty of murder and sentenced to death. Military appeals courts have overturned most death sentences they've seen in the last three decades.

WHAT WILL THE VICTIMS SAY AT TRIAL?

Many of those wounded in the attack are expected to testify. Some of them have already described that day in open court, during a hearing three years ago to determine whether Hasan would stand trial. One victim, Spc. Alan Carroll, recalled playing dead so Hasan wouldn't shoot him again. Another, Staff Sgt. Alonzo Lunsford, said he remembered a woman shouting about the gunman: "He's one of ours! He's one of ours!"

HOW DOES A MILITARY COURT-MARTIAL DIFFER FROM A CIVILIAN CRIMINAL TRIAL?

The judge, the prosecutors and the attorneys standing by to help Hasan are military officers, as are the 13 jurors, who range in rank from colonel to major. The jurors must be unanimous to find Hasan guilty of premeditated murder. If that happens, Hasan's case would quickly proceed to a capital sentencing hearing, where prosecutors try to prove one or more aggravating factors that merit a death sentence. One aggravating factor would

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Viewers in Austin love local television ads that are cheesy

KEN HERMAN
Cox Newspapers

AUSTIN —

There are several ways to ingrain (inflict?) yourself on the public psyche. You can repeatedly do very good deeds. You can do one very, very bad deed. Or you can buy TV ads; lots and lots of TV ads.

Bill Dickason has opted for the latter. Can't quite place the name? See if this helps: "If I can't beat a new Kia deal in Texas, I'm just gonna give it to ya."

More on him and that in a minute.

I love local TV ads. The lower the production values, the better. And the cheesier, the better. Austin's Couch Potatoes, a local furniture store, recently had good ones with a guy in a potato costume. Alas, the store's more recent ones are far more dignified (and far less fun/memorable).

Then there's the unfortunate local law firm that's spent some bucks in recent years to forcibly embed in your skull a phone number to remember for use at a critical time: "For jail release, call 777-7777. Again, for jail release call 777-7777. Our phone number is simple. Just dial all sevens."

Annoying? Yes, that's the point. But I feel kind of sorry for these guys because now, thanks to a recent change, if you dial all sevens you get a nice lady who asks you to dial the area code and who can't spring you from jail. That could be a problem if, as in the movies, you get to make only one phone call from jail.

Over the years, we've had plenty of annoying/beloved local TV ads. Anybody else been around here long enough to remember a chirpy little guy named Mickey James doing TV ads for his South Austin appliance store? Or the delightful Dutch-accented voice that told us Greenhouse Mall's phone number was 25o-oooo (letter o's, not zeroes). Years ago, before I got to town, appliance dealer Oscar ("The Big O") Snowden became well-known as a result of his TV ads. Ditto for the late Willie Kocurek ("Where there's a Willie, there's a way; you don't need money, just a little bit a month").

Which brings us back to Dickason, executive manager of Austin's Capitol Kia and several Kia dealerships in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. Looks like he offices at his Mesquite dealership.

Dickason, in the Snowden-Kocurek tradition, is a leader among the current incarnation of the genre. His Capitol Kia ads, for my tastes, lose some points for looking pretty professional. But they score

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Herman

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points for their seeming ever-presence and for the total inability for any human to not have a reaction to Dickason. That's weird because it's hard to pinpoint one particular annoying thing about Dickason and his ads. Everything's in focus, he stands next to a nice lady and neither are dressed as anything from the produce aisle. But there's something about Dickason ...

His ads are in heavy rotation, particularly — as with other local car dealers — during local newscasts. (Far be it from me to complain about advertisers who support local news products. As I've assured you in the past, every advertiser in this newspaper offers fine products at competitive prices and has impeccable personal hygiene.)

So I have nothing against Dickason or his ads. Others, however, have felt a need to vent. Some highlights from a Yelp online conversation among folks united by him:

Laura: "Ugh, thank God I'm not the only one. I freakin' hate those commercials! Remember when George Carlin suggested a remote button that would have the person on the screen's head explode? He must have seen Bill Dickason's commercials."

Errol M. "What was semi-creepy for me was turning on my Dallas hotel room TV and there he is with the same ad."

Ben G.: "No, I'm just gonna give it to ya! A (really bad expletive) knuckle sandwich. Kia guy Bill Dickinson I hate you with every ounce of my being. ... Oh look you came on the tube as I'm typing this. ... Stop this commercial's creepy incessant insanity! Go to bed Bill Dickinson, go to bed. Who's with me!!!"

(FYI, it's Dickason, not Dickinson.)

Urwhatueat (read that name slowly): "When he says 'I'm just gonna give it to ya,' what does he mean exactly? He could be telling the truth. He's not going to give you a car per se, he's just 'gonna give it to ya,' whatever that means."

Daryl F.: "Bill Dickason isn't a car salesman or owner. He is a paid actor, dealerships pay him to come to their dealerships and have him make those commercials. It's a pretty good living, it pays some serious cash."

Don't listen to Daryl F. Dickason is a real car dealer selling real cars at dealerships in Austin, Mesquite, Dallas and Rockwall. He's not an actor (though most car dealers have a bit of show biz in them), but his sidekick on the ads is. She's Caroline Renfro, of North Carolina. More about her after a brief examination of Dickason's signature claim concerning beating other Kia deals.

First, let's assume that a new Kia is the "it" in "If I can't beat a new Kia deal in Texas, I'm just gonna give it to ya." (I'm aware that "it" can refer to lots of things, some profane, a reality backed by some online comments and artwork I've seen about the "it" Dickason promises to give ya.)

The offer seems to be that Dickason will give you a free car if you can prove that another dealer beats Capitol Kia's price. That leaves Dickason with two choices: Give you a free car or charge you a penny below the other dealer's offer. Hmm, what would you do?

I called Dickason to see if he's ever had to give anyone a new car because he couldn't beat another dealer's price. I called about eight times over two weeks. He hasn't called back yet.

Back in May 2012, Dickason's ads hit the local Better Business Bureau's radar. Claiming to have found a pattern in which cars advertised at attractive prices were not available when customers sought to buy them, the BBB warned shoppers to "be wary of Capitol Kia's promises." KXAN reported on the warning. Dickason denied the allegation and told the station "I'm an award-winning dealer in customer service and satisfaction. I am not a member of the BBB."

Nor is he a fan of the BBB.

"They get their revenue from these businesses so if you're not paying, there's an incentive to drive down your score to what? To encourage you to pay," he told KXAN.

The BBB website said it contacted Capitol Kia in January 2012 about its sales tactics.

"On October 11, 2012," the BBB reported, "the company responded by stating they would provide training for the entire staff. Additionally, every advertisement that will be published either in print or through electronic media is reviewed and approved by the general manager."

Back to Caroline Renfro, Dickason's smiling, supportive sidekick on the commercials. She's a pro at this, and seems to also be something of a cult celebrity in the Fort Myers, Fla., area where she plays a similar role on high-rotation TV spots for Fuccillo Kia. Those ads, starring dealership owner Billy Fuccillo, feature the word "huge." To be more precise, the ads feature the word "HUGE."

Renfro also has been an extra in a Bojangles ad and a "principle" in a Krispy Kreme ad. A resume at 800Casting.com includes a long list of credits, including two ("reporter Thomsen" and "announcer") on "Homeland" episodes.

Her bio posted at Actors Access lists a bunch of "special skills," including "live event emcee, singing, accents (British, Southern, Spanish), semi-fluent in Spanish, bartender, very proficient equestrian, swimming, makeup design, makeup, sound equipment set-up & operation" and others, including "can drive automatic and manual. Very skilled with TelePrompter."

Let me leave you with this (if my bosses will allow me to make this offer): If we can't beat a locally produced, seven-day-a-week newspaper deal in Austin, we're just gonna give it to ya.

Edward A. Ornelas/San Antonio Express-News

State Sen. Wendy Davis, D-Fort Worth, signs autographs during the first annual Bexar County Democratic Party Family Reunion held Friday at Maverick Plaza in La Villita.

Davis

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weeks. Two weeks ago, she mingled with powerful U.S. senators at a high-dollar fundraiser and spoke at a low-dollar event at a trendy beer joint. Monday, Davis told the audience of media, Democratic officeholders and curious civilians that she realizes "many of you heard my name for the first time last month."

"I had no idea that it would trigger so overwhelmingly positive a response across the country," she said of her filibuster, later adding that "it was a beautiful and powerful moment for democracy."

Davis devoted most of her 25-minute speech to her life story — teen-aged mom who went from Tarrant trailer park to Harvard Law School and elective office — and a critique of the educational and health care policies of Texas Republicans, who she believes are extremist and anti-women. She also talked about some of the issues that helped her win votes from Fort Worth Republicans: her support for shale gas drilling, transportation improvements and public-private economic development initiatives.

"I will seek common ground," she said. "But sometimes you have to take a stand on sacred ground — liberty, the right to choose what your future will hold."

Other prominent Texas Democrats in the National Press Club audience included state Sens. Leticia Van De Putte of San Antonio and Rodney Ellis of Houston, Tarrant County Justice of the Peace Sergio L. De Leon and former Austin Mayor Will Wynn, who happens to be Davis' boyfriend.

"It's nice to give her a little support," said Van De Putte, one of Davis' closest friends in the Legislature.

Ellis said Davis "is going to be a strong contender for whichever of the two she chooses. Right now, she's tapped into a wave of support."

The Texas politicians were joined by Fort Worth businessman Bobby Patton, co-owner of the Los Angeles Dodgers baseball team, who said Davis has lots of new friends from coast to coast.

"People know her name," he said. "People are very aware of her and have a very favorable impression."

Republicans said Davis would be the Democrats' strongest contender but dismissed her as a long shot in a "deep red" state. GOP political strategist Matt Mackowiak predicted "a lot of despair" among Democrats if she chooses to forgo the governor's race.

Pauken, who faces a well-financed GOP primary foe in Abbott, said he expects Davis to jump into the 2014 race because she could "easily lose" re-election for state senator.

"There's really nothing to lose to take the gamble and run for governor," the former Reagan administration official said.

For her part, Davis mentioned the man she might replace, Gov. Rick Perry, only in passing, once in response to a question about Perry's potential presidential candidacy in 2016.

"I have three responses to that," she said before pausing amid audience chuckles. "I think that's all I have to say."

Night Out

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past will be "passing the torch" to other neighbors, Rodriguez said.

One new block captain, Corie Sturdivant, is taking up that torch after the last block captain served for five years near the Garfield Street-Wadley Avenue area. She said it's a great way to meet new neighbors and enjoy a barbecue.

"We've got an amazing block of neighbors," Sturdivant said. "It's just a great time to fellowship with each other."

Sturdivant said her block had the MPD SWAT team visit their party last year and expects to see the ATV unit this year.

"I think all of the kids will enjoy that," she said.

She said the law enforcement officers who visit her block during previous events have always been informative and helpful in pointing out topics of concern in her area.

Obituaries

Viola Dorthea Cox

Viola Dorthea Cox, 99, died Sunday August 4, 2013 at Manor Park in Midland, Texas. She was born to Marion and Effie Cox on April 6, 1914 in Corona, NM.

She was married to John S. Cox in Monahans, TX on July 30, 1932 and became a long-time resident there. Through the years, she was a very active member of the Third & Dwight Church of Christ in Monahans. She moved to Midland, TX in 2002 and became a member of Westside Church of Christ. She has touched the lives of more people than we will ever know with her generosity. As a matriarch of the family, she was a remarkable wealth of information.

She leaves behind a daughter, Joan Constance Cox of San Angelo, TX; daughter-in-law, Xandra Cox of Miles, TX; grandchildren, Dr. Mark Cox of Midland, TX, John Cox of Austin, TX, Nicholas Cox of Miles, TX, Jan Gifford of Odessa, TX; six great grandchildren; four great-great grandchildren; nieces and nephews, Jim and Mary Morgette of Midland, TX, Elizabeth Palmer, Gene and Peggy Cox all of Monahans, TX and numerous other nieces and nephews; great nieces and nephews, including, Bill and Shannon Morgette of Andrews, TX, Cindy and Robert Campbell, Pam and James Stacy, Marla Morgette and Belinda Duke all of Midland, TX. She was predeceased by her parents, Marion and Effie Cox; husband, John S. Cox; son, Jack Martin Cox; granddaughter, Connie Cox Provenza; sisters, Lily Bryan, Betty Porter and Maxine Summers.

A memorial service will be held at the Manor Park Chapel in Midland, TX on Tuesday, August 6, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be made to Westside Church of Christ, 4410 W Illinois AVE, Midland, TX 79703.

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

Death Notices

James Rex Pryor

James " Jim " Rex Pryor Jr age 53 of Andrews, TX passed away Sunday August 8/4/2013.

Services are Pending with Andrews Funeral Home.

All Obituaries must be submitted by 3:30 P.M. prior to next publication day.

Jowili "Mama Jo" Taylor Etchison

Jowili "Mama Jo" Taylor Etchison died, August 3, 2013.

Funeral services will be 2:00 PM Wednesday, August 7, 2013 at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM Tuesday at the funeral home. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Juan M. Rodriguez

Juan M. Rodriguez, 85, of Big Spring, passed away on Sunday, August 4, 2013.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00a.m., Wednesday, August 7, 2013 at the Holy Trinity Catholic Parish. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park. A vigil service will be at 7:00p.m., Tuesday, August 6, 2013, Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Loretta Bartimus

Loretta Bartimus, 79, of Midland, passed away on Sunday, August 4, 2013.

Services will be held at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

Survivors include her daughter, Christine Oglesby, son, J.C. Bartimus and wife Sha Hui; grandchildren, Vanessa and Katrina Oglesby.

Manuel Cervantes

Manuel Cervantes, 61, of Big Spring, passed away on Saturday, August 3, 2013.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00a.m, Thursday, August 8, 2013 at the Holy Trinity Catholic Parish. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park. A vigil service will be at 7:00p.m., Wednesday, August 7, 2013, Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Mary Franklin Hale

Mary Franklin Hale, 89, of Coahoma, passed away Saturday, August 3, 2013.

The family will receive friends Monday, August 5, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside service will be at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday at Trinity Memorial Park. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

She is survived by three sons: Kenneth Franklin, Douglas Franklin and John Franklin; one daughter: Doris McKinnon; 12 grandchildren and several great grandchildren; one brother: John Bledsoe.

Shirley Barragan

Shirley Barragan, 78, of Midland passed away on Friday, August 2, 2013.

Arrangements are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

2 workers killed in Martin County accident

Associated Press

MARTIN COUNTY — Two workers have fallen to their deaths in Martin County when a cable suspending them from a helicopter hit a power line they were inspecting.

A Federal Aviation Administration spokesman said the helicopter was able to land safely.

The Martin County Sheriff's Office said the accident happened Monday morning. Investigators said the cable appeared to snap when it struck the power line.

The names of the workers have not been released.

5 more men charged in rape of 13-year-old runaway

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Five more men have been charged in the string of sexual assaults on a 13-year-old runaway girl in Austin.

The five are each charged with aggravated sexual assault of a child. They're in Travis County Jail with bonds set at $30,000 each.

That brings to eight the number of men charged in the June 29 attacks that authorities said may have involved as many as 10 men.

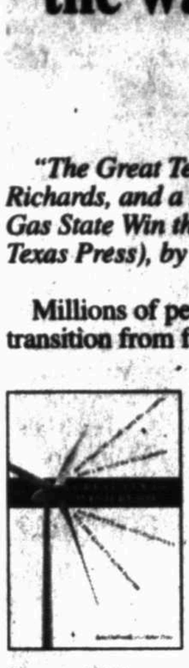
Authorities said some of those men involved in the gang assault filmed the attacks at an Austin apartment with their cellphone cameras.

Austin police records show the girl has run away from the Settlement Home for Children, a halfway house that also provides foster care.

Book review: Texas leads the way in wind energy

By Kevin Begos
Associated Press

"The Great Texas Wind Rush: How George Bush, Ann Richards, and a Bunch of Tinkerers Helped the Oil and Gas State Win the Race to Wind Power" (University of Texas Press), by Kate Galbraith and Asher Price



Millions of people are asking how or if the country can transition from fossil fuels to renewable energy — and ironically Texas is leading the way in actually doing it.

In "The Great Texas Wind Rush," Kate Galbraith and Asher Price tell the strange, inspiring and at times funny story of how a culture known for Big Oil came to embrace Big Wind.

The tale begins in the late 1970s when a father-and-son team began to build new turbines, and by 1981, the second wind farm in the nation went up in northwest Texas. Thirty years and various disasters, backroom deals and fits of inspiration later, Texas had eclipsed California and every other state to become by far the biggest wind energy producer.

Galbraith and Price understand the wonky side of energy policy, but they also know how to tell a story. The backdrops include Austin's Armadillo World Headquarters (a legendary nightclub), a small-town preacher who wanted to power his church with wind, new words (windcatter) and dry Texas humor.

When a national environmental group asked about the risks that turbines might pose to coastal migratory birds, one wind booster replied that the birds would get smarter over time and that the giant blades could also be "the first line of defense against avian flu." The environmentalists reportedly were not amused.

Green groups played an important role in helping Texans embrace wind power, but in many ways the book turns the typical environmental narrative upside down. Instead of motivating people with doom-and-gloom stories of global warming, the authors make the case that an old-fashioned desire to make money helped propel the boom. Oil and natural gas lie below the ground and wind howls above, but to some businessmen and landowners, they're just two different opportunities to exploit.

For example, former Enron CEO Kenneth Lay and then Texas Gov. George Bush play roles in committing the state to renewable energy. In 1996, Bush told a top staff member, "By the way, we like wind," and when the dumb-founded aide starts to ask a question, Bush simply replies, "Go get smart on wind."

"The Great Texas Wind Rush" is inspiring, but not sugarcoated. The authors note that wind energy has boom-and-bust cycles just like fossil fuels, and that massive change doesn't come without problems. A huge transmission line project that cost almost $7 billion has angered some consumers, who paid for it through utility bills. Designers and crews struggled with windless days, turbines that collapsed and exploded in flames, plagues of fire ants and rattlesnakes, and a monster inland storm whose winds reached 163 mph.

But by 2012, Texas was generating about 9 percent of its electricity from wind, and its turbines had more than double the wind capacity of California, and 100 times that of Massachusetts.

"The Great Texas Wind Rush" is a thoughtful, valuable story for anyone who cares about renewable energy or climate change, because while many people protest the impact of nuclear power, coal power and natural gas fracturing, in the end, that's not enough. Vast new sources of power actually have to be built, not just talked about.

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be the killing of more than one person in an incident. Jurors must be unanimous to sentence him to death. However, three-quarters of the jury must vote yes to convict Hasan for attempted murder. The military courts system also does not have hung juries: If one of the 13 jurors votes Hasan not guilty of murder, he would be declared not guilty.

WHAT WILL HASAN SAY?

Hasan is representing himself at trial. He wanted to argue that he carried out the shooting in "defense of others" — namely, Muslim insurgents fighting American soldiers in Afghanistan — but the judge, Col. Tara Osborn, denied that strategy. Osborn has also told him that he will not be able to make speeches about his beliefs or try to testify himself when he's questioning witnesses.

WHAT IS HASAN'S PHYSICAL CONDITION?

Hasan was shot in the back by officers responding to the shootings. He is now paralyzed from the waist down, confined to a wheelchair, uses a catheter and wears adult diapers. His doctor testified earlier this year that Hasan cannot sit upright for more than 12 hours a day without his concentration being affected, requiring testimony to conclude each day by 5 p.m. at the latest since inmates at his jail wake up before dawn. Hasan also requires 15- to 20-minute stretching breaks about every four hours, and has to lift himself off his wheelchair for about a minute every half hour to avoid developing sores.

IS HASAN STILL CONSIDERED A SOLDIER?

Yes. He has retained his rank of major and his salary even in jail. Recently, he has worn a camouflage uniform in court instead of the dress uniform defendants typically wear in a court-martial. Osborn has said the camouflage uniform is easier for him to wear as a paraplegic.

WHAT HAPPENS IF HE'S SENTENCED TO DEATH?

The death sentence would need to be affirmed by Fort Hood's commanding authority, which would prompt automatic appeals at two military courts for the Army and then the armed forces. If those fail, Hasan could ask the U.S. Supreme Court to review his case and file motions in federal court. The U.S. president must eventually approve a military death sentence.

Five condemned soldiers are currently on the military death row at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. If their cases are any guide, it would likely be decades before Hasan were executed. Many death row inmates have had their sentences overturned on appeal, and no active-duty soldier has been executed in the military system since 1961.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

John T. Brown, 43, of Midland, was arrested Sunday on a third or more charge of driving while intoxicated.

Kenneth M. Clanton, 21, of Odessa, was arrested Sunday on a charge of violation of probation.

David W. Denson, 27, of Apopka, Fla., was arrested Sunday on a charge of burglary of a building.

Samuel M. Garcia, 26, of Midland, was arrested Sunday on a charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Jeremy K. Jones, 42, of Midland, was arrested Sunday on a third or more charge of driving while intoxicated.

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	EM: Weight Loss "Alyssa" Alyssa ballooned to 414 lbs because of sever trauma. (N)			Body of Proof "Skin and Bones"		KMID News	(:35) Julia Louis-Dreyfus	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel	(:35) News Nightline
KOSA	CBS	7	7	7	7	7	7 News	Ent. Tonight	NCIS "Devil's Trifecta"		NCIS: Los Angeles "Purity"		Person of Interest "Bury the Lede"		CBS 7 News	(:35) David Letterman	(:35) Late Late
KWWT	CW	5	14		5	14	Sein. "The Letter"	Rules "Bag Ladies"	Whose Line (N)	Whose Line Is It?	Capture "Hunger Strikes" (N)		Cops "El Paso, TX"	Sein. "The Pool Guy"	Rules "Les-bro"	That '70s Show	King of Queens	'Til Death
KPEJ	FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	So You Think You Can Dance The remaining finalists vie to win the nation's votes. (N)			The Simpsons	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Loves Ray	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	
KMLM	IND	11	11	12	11	11	Doorways to Wisdom		Update News	Dr. Alewine	Light of the Southwest			Shepherd's Heart		Ministerios Nueva Vida	
KWES	NBC	9	9	9	9	9	News-West 9	Be Millionaire	Hollywood Game Night "Purr-ty People"		America's Got Talent Twelve of the top 60 acts perform. (L)			News-West 9	(:35) Jay Leno	Matt LeBlanc, Mark Cuban	(:35) LateNight
KPBT	PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Emeril Sande: Live at the Royal Albert Hall		Gloria Estefan The musical legend performs in Miami Beach, Florida.		Hugh Laurie: Live on the Queen Mary		Ribbon of Sand	BBC News	Tavis Smiley
KUPB	UNI	4	4		4	16	Corazon Indomable		Porque el Amor Manda		La Tempestad		Que bonito amor		Noticias Tejas	Noticiero noctu.	Una familia con suerte	
KOSA	MNT	16	16		16		Office	30 Rock	House		House "Family"		My News	Baggage	30 Rock	Sunny	Scrubs	Access H.
FLIX		340	65		165		(5:00) Paycheck		Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind				★★★ Heavenly Creatures		(:45) The United States of ...			
HBO		300	68	14	14		Bill Maher		Rise of the Guardians		1stLook		Hard Knocks (N)		The Newsroom		True Blood	
HBO2		302	69	15	101	23	(:15) ★★★ Ruby Sparks	Paul Dano.			The Newsroom		Bill Maher		★★★ Cowboys and Aliens	Daniel Craig,		
HBO5		304	70	16	102		(5:25) Beyond		Sopranos	Making	The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel				(:15) ★★ Dark Shadows	Johnny Depp.		
MAX		380	71	17	120	24	(5:20) Rambo: Fir...		★★★ Entrapment	Sean Connery.			Strike Back		(:50) Strike Back		(:45) Banshee	Movie
MAX2		382	72	18	122		(:15) ★★ Stigmata	Patricia Arquette.			Freeloaders		(:20) ★★ Chernobyl Diaries		(:50) Sex Tapes (2012, Adult)			
PLEX				96			Movie	★ Dazzle	Maxwell Caulfield.		★ Worth Winning		(:45) ★★ Once Bitten		(:20) Steal Big, ...			
SHOW		320	66	19	140	25	The World According to Dick Cheney				★★★★ People Like Us	Chris Pine.			Therapy	Dexter		Donovan
TMC		336	67	22	155	26	(5:00) Kinky Boots		★★ Velvet Goldmine	Ewan McGregor.			★★ Tupac: Resurrection ('03, Doc)			★ The Crow 3: Sal...		
A&E		27	32	28	35	47	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage NY (N)	Storage NY (N)	Barter Kings "Tazed and Confused" (N)		Barter Kings "Snakes on a Trade"		Storage Wars	Storage Wars
AMC		40	21	23	42	51	(4:30) ★ Demolition...		★★★★ O Brother, Where Art Thou?	George Clooney.			★★ Mercury Rising	Bruce Willis.			Movie	
BET		58	26		40		(5:) 106&P	The Game	Game		Game		Game		Game (N)		Husbands	Husbands	Wendy Williams
BRAVO		65	63		41		Housewives NJ		Housewives NJ		Interior Therapy (N)		Real Housewives		Watch (N)	Property	Interior "Kid Rules"	
CNBC		46	45		39	72	The Kudlow Report		Cocaine Cowboys				The Profit (N)		Mad Money		Profit "Car Crash"	
CNN		43	24	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		Piers Morgan Live		A. Cooper 360		OutFront		Piers Morgan Live	
DISC		50	20	31	24	42	How Jaws Changed the World				I Escaped Jaws (N)		Spawn of Jaws		Shark After Dark		I Escaped Jaws	
DISNEY		56	27	36	25	36	Shake Up	Austin	★★★ Ratatouille	('07, Fam)	Brad Garrett.		Dog Blog	Dog Blog	GoodLuck	Jessie	GoodLuck	GoodLuck
ESPN		32	29	48	31	30	(5:00) SportsCenter		Nine for IX (N)		Poker World Series		Poker World Series		SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2		34	28	49	32	31	NFL Live (N)		Baseball Little League World Series (L)				WNBA Basketball Seattle vs Phoenix (L)				Baseball Tonight (L)	
FAMILY		53	54	34	42	33	Pretty Little Liars		Pretty Little Liars (N)		Twisted (N)		The Vineyard (N)		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		Chopped		Chopped		Chopped (N)		Chopped "Chargel"		Chopped	
FSSW		37	43	50	45	29	SportsDay OnAir	Mavericks Insider	WPT Poker Venice Grand Prix		Oklah-omaFoot	Rangers Pre-game	MLB Baseball Texas Rangers vs. Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim Site: Angel Stadium -- Anaheim, Calif. (L)					
FX		31	31	59	64	69	2½Men	Two 1/2...	★★ Something Borrowed	Ginnifer Goodwin.			★★ Something Borrowed	Ginnifer Goodwin.				
HALLMARK		54	49	58		34	Little House Prairie		★★ Thicker Than Water	Melissa Gilbert.			Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV		63	50	26	48	44	House	HouseH	Virgins	Virgins	Power Brokers		HouseH	House (N)	Renovate	Renovate	Power Brokers	
HISTORY		71	62	29	50	43	Pwn Star	Pawn Star	Pwn Star	Pwn Star	Ax Men		SwampM	SwampM	Counting	Counting	Pwn Star	Pwn Star
LIFETIME		28	25	25	28	48	Double Divas	Double Divas	Dance Moms "Clash of the Dance Moms"		Dance Moms "The Dancing Dead" (N)		Double Divas	Double Divas	Double Divas	Double Divas	Dance Moms "Clash of the Dance Moms"	
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				Shark Hunters		Shark Hunters		Boxing Stevens vs. Roman				Boxing Stevens vs. Roman			
NICK		55	34	39	34	37	Hathaway	Victorious	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
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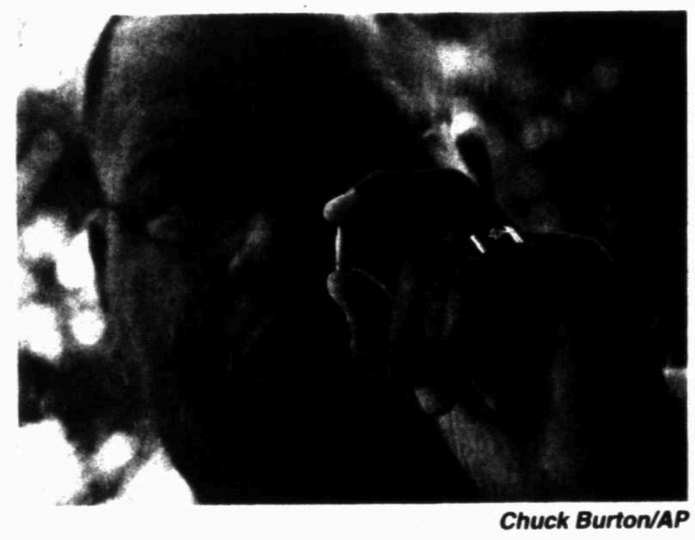
CABLE

Fort Hood witness ready to face Hasan

By Sig Christenson
San Antonio Express-News



Chuck Burton/AP

Retired Staff Sgt. Alonzo Lunsford, at his home on June 4 in Lillington, N.C., holds one of the bullets removed from his body after he was wounded in the 2009 Fort Hood shooting rampage.

FORT HOOD — Retired Staff Sgt. Alonzo Lunsford first locked eyes with Maj. Nidal Malik Hasan on Nov. 5, 2009 , moments before the Army psychiatrist shot Lunsford seven times, partially blinding him.

The second time came nearly one year later, when the two men met again at an evidentiary hearing about the mass shooting at Fort Hood, the worst ever on any military post. After taking the stand, Lunsford's one good eye caught Hasan glaring at him.

When Hasan's murder trial begins today, nearly four years after the massacre, Lunsford, as the likely leadoff witness for the military, expects to meet the eyes of his shooter for the third time.

"The message that I was sending to him by looking at him like that is you have failed. You strike no fear in my heart. I'm not afraid of you or what you stand for or anybody else like you," Lunsford said in an interview.

Hasan is charged with 13 counts of premeditated murder and 32 counts of attempted premeditated murder. Prosecutors will ask the 13-member jury to sentence Hasan to death.

Last week, they told a judge that Hasan was on jihad and tried to kill soldiers who were preparing to deploy to Iraq and Afghanistan, the first time the claim was publicly stated.

Acting as his own attorney, Hasan has admitted that he intended to kill GIs in order to prevent them from killing the Taliban's top leader, insurgents and Afghan women and children.

Col. Tara Osborn, the military judge presiding over the trial, has forbidden Hasan from using the "defense of others" strategy, as it is called, and given him short tutorials on how to handle legal matters like his opening statement.

During jury selection, he said very little and never opposed prosecution efforts to strike some jurors. Nine colonels, three lieutenant colonels and one major are on the panel, which will have to vote unanimously to convict Hasan and sentence him to death.

Two of the jurors are women and one is African-American, who also is the jury president. Osborn quizzed the jury briefly Monday to be sure they were prepared for the start of the trial, ending a series of hearings that have been heard by two judges since Hasan was arraigned in July 2011.

At 6 feet, 9 inches and 290 pounds, Lunsford is a towering presence. His survival is something of a miracle. He staggered out of the Soldier Readiness Processing Center after being shot multiple times at close range and finally collapsed.

Hasan was on the move, and a fellow soldier, Chief Warrant Officer 3 Christopher Royal, advised him to play dead. As he bled, Lunsford, 46, of Lillington, N.C., sang "Amazing Grace" and also told himself, "Get me back to green grass and pine trees," a reference to his native North Carolina, while trying to remain conscious. Finally, he passed out.

Later, at a Temple hospital, he died and was resuscitated, but remembers nothing of it. Now he marks the anniversary as the day he was reborn and said there was a message in staring down Hasan — one that he will send again today. "You can't do this because you're in a wheelchair. I'm standing, I'm walking, I'm talking. You tried to give me your best blow and I can say this now, I took all seven of your blows and I'm still alive and kicking."

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LEVEL

Each set of 10 tiles below contains two common five-letter words. The letters of the first five-letter word are adjacent, but not in order. Find them and rearrange them to spell a word. Rearrange the five remaining letters to spell the second word.

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Yesterday's Answer: SCOUT, WHEAT, YOUTH

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STATEBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

HOUSTON

Police ID 3 in bayou drowning accident

Authorities say a 5-year-old girl, a 9-year-old boy and their uncle drowned during a family fishing and swimming outing at a Houston bayou.

Houston police on Monday identified the victims as Diana Morales, Ricardo Guidel and 31-year-old Laurencio Guidel.

The accident happened Sunday afternoon at Sims Bayou. Authorities said the two children were drowning when their uncle tried to save them.

A bystander pulled the two children from the water. Police said the youngsters were pronounced dead at a hospital.

The body of their uncle was recovered later by a police dive team.

CENTER

Boy on ATV, rescuer die in pond accident

A 7-year-old boy and a man have drowned after the child drove an all-terrain vehicle into an East Texas pond and the adult jumped in the water to try to save the youth.

Shelby County Sheriff Willis Blackwell on Monday identified the victims as 50-year-old Danny Porterfield, of Center, and a family friend — Carter Amburn, of San Augustine.

The ATV accident happened Sunday afternoon near the Porterfield residence. The sheriff said Carter was a friend of Porterfield's grandchild and both youngsters were visiting the home.

A deputy located Carter's body in the water and started CPR. The boy was declared dead at a hospital. Porterfield's body was found several hours later by a dive team.

Center is 170 miles northeast of Houston.

FULSHEAR

Relatives say burned body found on ranch was Dallas woman

Relatives say a burned body discovered in December by a rancher checking his property near Houston has been identified as a missing Dallas woman.

The Dallas Morning News reported DNA was used to identify 37-year-old Adalid Aguirre Alvarez.

Fulshear police have said a rancher located the remains Dec. 17 in a rural area.

The victim's 18-year-old daughter, Josandy Alvarez, said Sunday that law enforcement officials last month notified her that the body was identified as her mother. The teen said investigators told the family they believe the victim was beaten and possibly strangled.

A message left Monday with the coroner's office wasn't immediately returned.

Fulshear is 30 miles west of Houston.

AMARILLO

Forklift operator dies in traffic wreck

Police say a forklift operator has died following a Texas Panhandle traffic accident when the equipment collided with a pickup truck.

Amarillo police said Monday's accident killed 50-year-old Walter Orville Faux, of Amarillo.

Investigators said Faux was using a forklift to unload roofing materials from a tractor-trailer when he drove in front of the parked rig and into traffic. Police said the forklift hit the moving truck and then overturned.

Faux was transported to an Amarillo hospital where he died. The pickup driver wasn't hurt.

HOOKS

3 die in Interstate 30 truck wreck

Investigators say three people have been killed and several hurt in a pickup rollover accident on Interstate 30 in Northeast Texas.

The Texas Department of Public Safety said the wreck happened around dawn Monday on eastbound I-30 in Bowie County near Hooks.

DPS said seven people were in the vehicle and the driver may have fallen asleep.

DPS said three people died at the scene. Several others were injured and transported to hospitals. Details on the victims weren't immediately released.

Investigators said the truck apparently was bound from Mexico to Indiana.

AUSTIN

Texans asked to provide drought photos online

Some state agencies dealing with the lingering Texas drought have invited people to share their original photos online.

The coalition on Monday launched an interactive public awareness campaign on how the drought has impacted lives.

The Texas Department of Agriculture, the Texas Water Development Board and the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department are sponsoring the effort. Individuals are invited to share their original pictures of the drought on Flickr, Instagram and other social media platforms through Sept. 30.

State officials said more than 97 percent of Texas currently has drought conditions.

Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples said the agencies are working to collect and share people's stories for historical records, drought preparedness and to encourage water conservation. The Texas drought goes back to 2010.

Online:
http://www.flickr.com/groups/texasdrought
Photographs also may be posted to Twitter or Instagram. Please use the hashtag #tx-drought when sharing your photos.
The campaign's Instagram account is texasdrought.

AMARILLO

Former Panhandle city editor dies at 83

A memorial is scheduled for San Antonio for a former Amarillo Globe-News city editor.

Family members said Janey Ruth Eaves Joyce died Tuesday in San Antonio from cancer. She was 83.

The Amarillo Globe-News reported Joyce began her journalism career as an obituary writer for the Pine Bluff Commercial in Arkansas before being promoted to city editor. Her next stop was at the Austin American-Statesman, where she became the assistant to the state editor.

At the Globe-News, she covered education and became assistant city editor in December 1983. She was city editor when she retired in 1995.

Her memorial service is set for Aug. 17 at St. Margaret's Episcopal Church in San Antonio.

HOUSTON

Mexican man on Texas death row loses appeal

A 43-year-old Mexican national on Texas death row for the beating death of a man at his Hill Country ranch near Kerrville almost 16 years ago has lost a federal court appeal, moving him a step closer to execution.

Attorneys for Ramiro Hernandez contend he was mentally impaired and ineligible for execution for the 1997 slaying of 48-year-old Glen Lich. The former Baylor University history professor was fatally beaten with a crowbar. His wife also was attacked but survived.

Hernandez, from Tamaulipas, Mexico, also argued he had poor legal help at his Texas trial, where he said evidence of a previous murder conviction and prison term in Mexico was improperly allowed.

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals has rejected each argument.

Hernandez does not yet have an execution date.

Todd Yates/ Corpus Christi Caller-Times

Magician Joe Douglas performs some of his allusions in the Corpus Christi Caller-Times photo studio Thursday in Corpus Christi, Douglas was recently inducted into the International Brotherhood of Magicians Order of Merlin Excalibur during the 85th annual magic convention in Pheonix.

Corpus Christi magician enters world of Merlin

By Christina Montford
Corpus Christi Caller-Times

CORPUS CHRISTI — As Joe Douglas shuffled through his bag of tricks, he struggled to choose which one to dazzle his spectators with first. For someone who has been doing magic as long as Douglas, the debate isn't surprising.

Then he picked what he thought was just right, grabbing red and blue scarves that he tied into a knot. He blew on the knot and they came apart.

Douglas, who recently was inducted into the International Brotherhood of Magicians' Order of Merlin Excalibur, has been involved with magic since he received his first magic kit in kindergarten and became hooked on a world of abra and kadabra.

"He's sort of magical himself," said his wife, Marilyn Douglas. "He's wonderful and mysterious. He's a mystical person."

Joe Douglas, 67, strives to reach the highest level of magic mastery that he can. On his journey, he joined the magicians' brotherhood. The organization started in Kenton, Ohio, in 1922 and is the world's largest organization dedicated to the art of magic. The brotherhood has members in 88 countries.

"Being inducted was exciting because there were only four of us actually there in person to accept the award from the president," said Douglas, a Corpus Christi resident who spoke with the Caller-Times.

Douglas was one of 37 to be inducted into the Order of Merlin Excalibur this year out of 15,000 members worldwide.

Before being inducted, Douglas joined the Magic Circle in London in 2002. The magic circle is an elite group of about 1,500 magicians who have proved themselves worthy by taking a written magic test, sending in a video of their work and completing a thesis. Prince Charles is among this exclusive group of magicians.

Being inducted into prestigious groups did not stop Douglas from wanting to make magic a family affair. His wife often joins him on the stage.

"I didn't like the idea of being put in a box, but I did it," Marilyn Douglas said. "You do a lot of things for love."

The couple believes that magic will be a part of their lives forever. Joe Douglas hopes to continue his magic act once he retires from his job at Corpus Christi City Hall. He strives to be inducted into the Order of Merlin Excelsior, which requires 60 years of membership in the International Brotherhood of Magicians.

"To be awarded something in magic by a magic organization is a real accomplishment," he said. "Then you know you are accepted by your peers."

Houston program seals juvenile records to assist young offenders

By Brian Rogers
Houston Chronicle

He is a 20-year-old machine shop worker from Spring who wants to enlist in the Marines. There's just one problem: He was arrested for selling drugs when he was 14 years old.

The young man is the first to benefit from a new Houston Bar Association program that pairs lawyers with indigent people to get their juvenile criminal records sealed for free in hopes of clearing a path to employment, college, even housing.

"A mistake that I made when I was 14, when I was a kid, was holding me back," said the man, who asked that his name not be used out of concern that publicity would undermine his efforts.

After being arrested, he spent two years on probation, stayed out of trouble and graduated from high school. Since then he has tried several times to enlist, only to be turned down because of his record.

"If this goes as planned, I feel like they gave me a second chance at life," he said. "It's my dream."

After completing the process and having a judge sign off on it, the young man will be able to tell recruiters, prospective employers or landlords that he has no criminal record.

"You can actually say you were never arrested," said his attorney, Cathy Smith. "You can make mistakes when you're young that could haunt you forever, and this gives you a second chance."

'Wipes the slate clean'

Smith said the intent of the law is to encourage juveniles to finish probation and stay out of trouble.

"The statute just wipes the slate clean," Smith said. "That's what's wonderful about it."

Smith got involved with the young man's case through the Houston Bar and, like most of the people volunteering to help, she is not a juvenile law expert or a criminal defense lawyer. The lawyers donating their time work at some of Houston's largest law firms, including Haynes and Boone, Vinson & Elkins and Baker Botts.

Smith spends most days in her 28th-floor office at V&E writing briefs and filing appeals in lawsuits. She took the case on for free as a "feel-good project."

The program developed as a partnership among the law firms, the bar association and the juvenile court judges.

"Really, it's an access-to-justice issue," state District Judge Michael Schneider said. "There are so many kids who can get their records sealed, but they don't have the resources or the knowledge that they have this right."

Nonviolent cases only

Generally, Texas law allows juveniles to ask a judge to seal their records if they have nonviolent misdemeanor arrests on their record and no new crimes for two years, Schneider said. Contrary to popular belief, it is not done automatically.

"A lot of kids don't realize who has access to their record and how it can be held against them," the judge said. "A lot of them don't get jobs that they should be able to get, don't get into the college they should, or they get rejected from leases. They have no idea that their records aren't automatically sealed."

Schneider and other juvenile judges, including Glenn Devlin and associate judge Brian Fischer, schedule special dockets to get through the cases quickly and fold them into the court's regular workday.

"So, it costs the taxpayers nothing," Schneider said. "There's no transactional cost for the kids or the county."

Even if they do not qualify for the indigent program, Schneider said more former probationers should try to get their records sealed.

"As important as the legal access is just getting the word out to the public that their records aren't sealed automatically," he said. "We're talking about kids who were in fights or shoplifters or other minor offenses that are not indicative of how these kids are going to be as adults."

DAILY PROMISE
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Psalm 24:1-2

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TODAY: Sunny High: 104 Low: 78

WEDNESDAY: Mostly sunny High: 102 Low: 78

THURSDAY: Mostly sunny High: 101 Low: 76

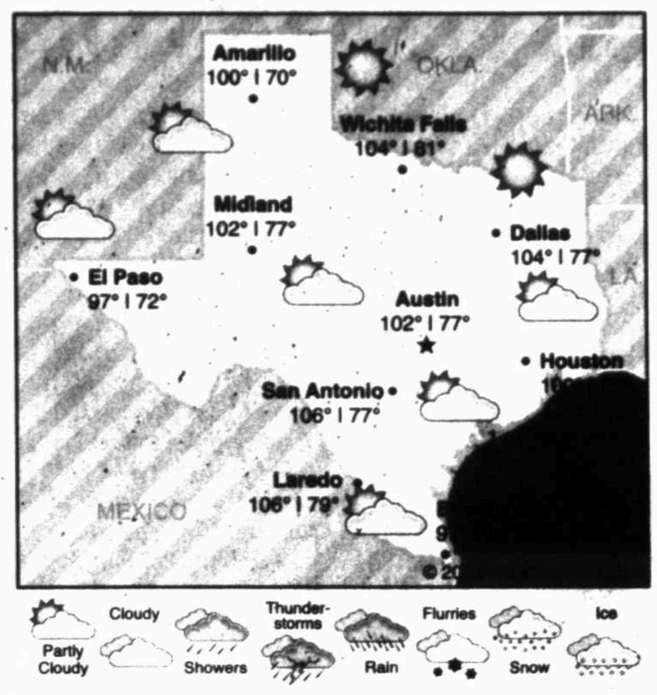
Local forecast

Expect sunny skies today with a high around 104 and south winds around 10 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy conditions with a low around 78 and south winds around 10 mph. There is a 10 percent chance of isolated showers and thunderstorms after 8 p.m. Some of the storms could produce gusty winds.

Wednesday, look for mostly sunny skies with a high around 102 and south winds around 10 mph. Expect partly cloudy conditions at night, with a low around 78 and south winds around 10 mph. There is a 10 percent chance of isolated showers and thunderstorms during the day and a 20 percent chance at night.

Thursday, the forecast calls for mostly sunny skies during the day, mostly cloudy skies at night, with a high around 101 and a low around 76. There is a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 8 p.m.

The high on Monday reached 101, while the low dropped to 74. The record high for Aug. 5 is 104 set in 2011. The record low is 61 set in 1973 and 1978.



Precipitation

Sunday	0.00 in.
Monday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.00 in.
Year total	3.39 in.
Normal total (year to date)	8.18 in.

Tuesday's temperatures

High	101
Low	74
Normal high	95
Normal low	70
Sunrise	7:08 a.m.
Sunset	8:41 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Tuesday, Aug. 6

Help is plentiful for military vets going back to school

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: This letter is for "Torn in Milford, Conn." (May 16). I returned to college after 20 years of active duty and know firsthand how difficult the transition can be. Most universities have a veterans' service office where he might be able to connect with students with similar backgrounds and experiences to his. There should also be chapters of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars where he can meet others.

I was fortunate that the university I attended (at age 45) had a dorm floor specifically for "nontraditional" students like me. In classes, I was able to make friends because my unique experiences enabled me to connect to the material in ways younger students could not, and by sharing those connections, people got to know me. Starting over — starting something new — is always difficult, but no education is ever wasted.

If he does want to explore a career in security, "Torn" should take a part-time job while attending school to help cover expenses; universities always need highly skilled employees, and university towns are filled with venues that require such skills. That being said, a diploma will get him further in his future. — NONTRADITIONAL STUDENT, EKALAKA, MONT.

DEAR NONTRADITIONAL STUDENT: Thank you for sharing your personal experience. Your support and encouragement for "Torn" to complete his college education was endorsed by many other vets and college professors, who find vets to be great students:

DEAR ABBY: I'm concerned that there may be more going on with "Torn" than just that he/she doesn't fit in with peers in school. Being a combat vet and feeling disconnected from peers or having a desire to return to what they knew before (security work) is a sign of PTSD. Missing work is often "code" for survivor's guilt. ("If I could go back and make it right, perhaps my buddy would be here, or I would be with my buddy.")

There are services available for vets suffering from PTSD if they recognize the need to reach out for them. Also, if this vet is using his/her educational benefits, then the chances of there being a training plan to help in readjustment is likely. — VET WHO MADE IT THROUGH

DEAR ABBY: I am a longtime college professor. Many bright students, young and old, have similar complaints. "Torn," you sound like a great student, as many vets are. Try evening classes. They're usually available to any enrolled student and are the same courses taught in day sections. Students enrolled in these classes are mostly working adults who are more dedicated.

See if your college has online courses, so you won't have to deal with the students in person, although you may have to take part in online discussions. Check out your college's career services office and find a part-time job. This will give you a different peer group, plus give you some experience in your field. Your college's veterans' office may also have helpful resources for you.

I hope these ideas will help your college experience to be more pleasant and productive. — DR. M. IN OKLAHOMA CITY

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Claim your slam!

Neither vulnerable. North deals.

NORTH
♠ A K 4 3
♡ Q 2
◇ A J 10 3
♣ A K 3

WEST
♠ Void
♡ J 10 9 8 7
◇ 9 5 4
♣ 10 7 6 5 4

EAST
♠ Q 9 8
♡ K 6 5 4
◇ Q 7 6
♣ J 9 8

SOUTH
♠ J 10 7 6 5 2
♡ A 3
◇ K 8 2
♣ Q 2

The bidding

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
2NT	Pass	3♣	Pass
4♣	Pass	4	Pass
5♣	Pass	5	Pass
5NT	Pass	6	Pass
6♣	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: Jack of ♡

For those who play transfer bids over partner's no-trump openings, you get to slam even quicker, but with North declaring, the slam is almost error-proof, even ducking an opening heart lead will succeed!

North-South used simple cue-bidding auction to get to an excellent slam. However, the gods of distribution decided to complicate matters.

West led the jack of hearts and, when dummy's queen was covered by the king, there was a heart loser on the hand. All was still well until declarer cashed the king of trumps only to discover that the defenders had a certain trick in the queen of trumps because of the unlucky trump split.

Declarer found a neat way to strike back at the gods of distribution. He played off three rounds of clubs, discarding his heart loser and ruffed a heart. Now he presented East with his trump trick. The defender had a choice of ways with which to hand declarer his contract. A club or heart return would present declarer with a ruff-sluff and a diamond would simply sacrifice their potential trick in the suit by removing declarer's diamond guess.

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Aug. 6, 2013:

This year you open up to many new possibilities. In some sense, you will experience a new beginning in a chosen area of your life. You also will successfully instrument a life change. You respond to others with a great deal of creativity. If you are single, you'll want to get to know someone better who stimulates your imagination. Together, you could live out wonderful adventures. If you are attached, as a couple, you'll revise your dreams and goals, as both of you have changed considerably. You will benefit from private time together. Another LIBRA could get quite competitive with you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ Tap into your imagination in order to get past problems. Some of your suggestions might seem wild to those you deal with on a daily basis, but their validity comes out when tested. A key person might be taken aback by your actions. Tonight: Where people are having fun.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ You might be caught up in your thoughts about a personal matter. Relax, and open up conversation with a friend who has your best interests in mind. The two of you seem to accomplish more together than apart. Tonight: With any luck, you'll get a new beginning.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ You might be busy fielding calls. As you start to open up more, you'll get great feedback. A friend supports you in this venture. Do not compromise the integrity of a concept. You'll get a new beginning, perhaps with a special relationship. Tonight: Catch up on a pal's news.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ You could become overly enthusiastic and find yourself spending a little too freely. You know there is no way around the situation. You suddenly might discover that the damages are much greater than you expected. Tonight: Really look at your budget, then make decisions.

LEO (July 23- Aug. 22) ★★★ Reach out to a partner or friend. When you brainstorm about a problem, not only will the problem be eliminated, but you also could come up with some other great ideas. You'll feel the kinetic energy in the air. Tonight: All smiles.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ You could be questioning a partner's choices, especially as this person seems so vague and confused. You might not be able to take a logical approach, as he or she won't be able to think that way about this situation. Think outside the box. Tonight: Keep your own counsel.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Emphasize what you want, as opposed to what you think you can get. You might be confused about the outcome of a situation. Whether it involves work or your personal life, you can be sure that you're not seeing the matter as clearly as you'd like. Tonight: On your game.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ You have an extraordinary imagination that takes you to new heights. Your ability to understand others helps you when accepting a lead role. Others feel as if you understand them and have their best interests in mind; therefore, they defer to you. Tonight: A force to behold.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ You might want to follow through on a key project where confusion is not an issue. If you reach out to key advisers, you will come up with an inspired plan. You could feel as if you have a new beginning with this idea. Tonight: Get an opinion from several friends before you act.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ You seem to know what will happen next and why. Lighten up and worry less. You can handle whatever comes down your path; be anxious simply will not help. Work with a partner and decide to clear up a problem. Tonight: A resolution or decision made right now will stick.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ You might want to see a situation from someone else's eyes, and you can be sure that this person will want you to see it through your eyes as well. Try out his or her vision and see if it works for you. A new perspective can change results. Tonight: Go along with a friend's plans.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Your mind might be jumbled, which makes it hard to stay focused on one topic. Do not push yourself too hard. Make a point to jot down some of your unusual ideas that might be worth exploring and testing out. This process might free up your mind some. Tonight: Stay mellow.

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BORN TODAY

Actress Lucille Ball (1911), artist Andy Warhol (1928), film director M. Night Shyamalan (1970)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1 Snack in a shell
5 Walked the floor
10 "Survivor" host Probst
14 Attending a Lakers home game, briefly
15 Indian coin
16 __-friendly
17 "A revolution is not a dinner party" leader
19 Mama's guy, to baby
20 Bird Down Under
21 Philosopher __-tzu
22 Month named for an emperor
24 Word in "The Shining" with two mirror-image letters
26 Get the whole family together
28 It's "M'm! M'm! Good!"
33 Out of control
35 Granny Smith, e.g.
36 Sch. founded by Jefferson
37 Strips (of), as property
40 Made bubbly
42 Big diamond
43 Spring Zodiac sign
45 "__ the night ..."
46 Actress born Norma Jeane Mortenson
50 Sunday dinner entrée
51 Leaking slowly
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CAMP TIME

Kayla Beattie tries to spin the ball as her little sister, Leia, balances it on her finger during basketball camp July 17 at Midland College.

REPORT TO THE COURT

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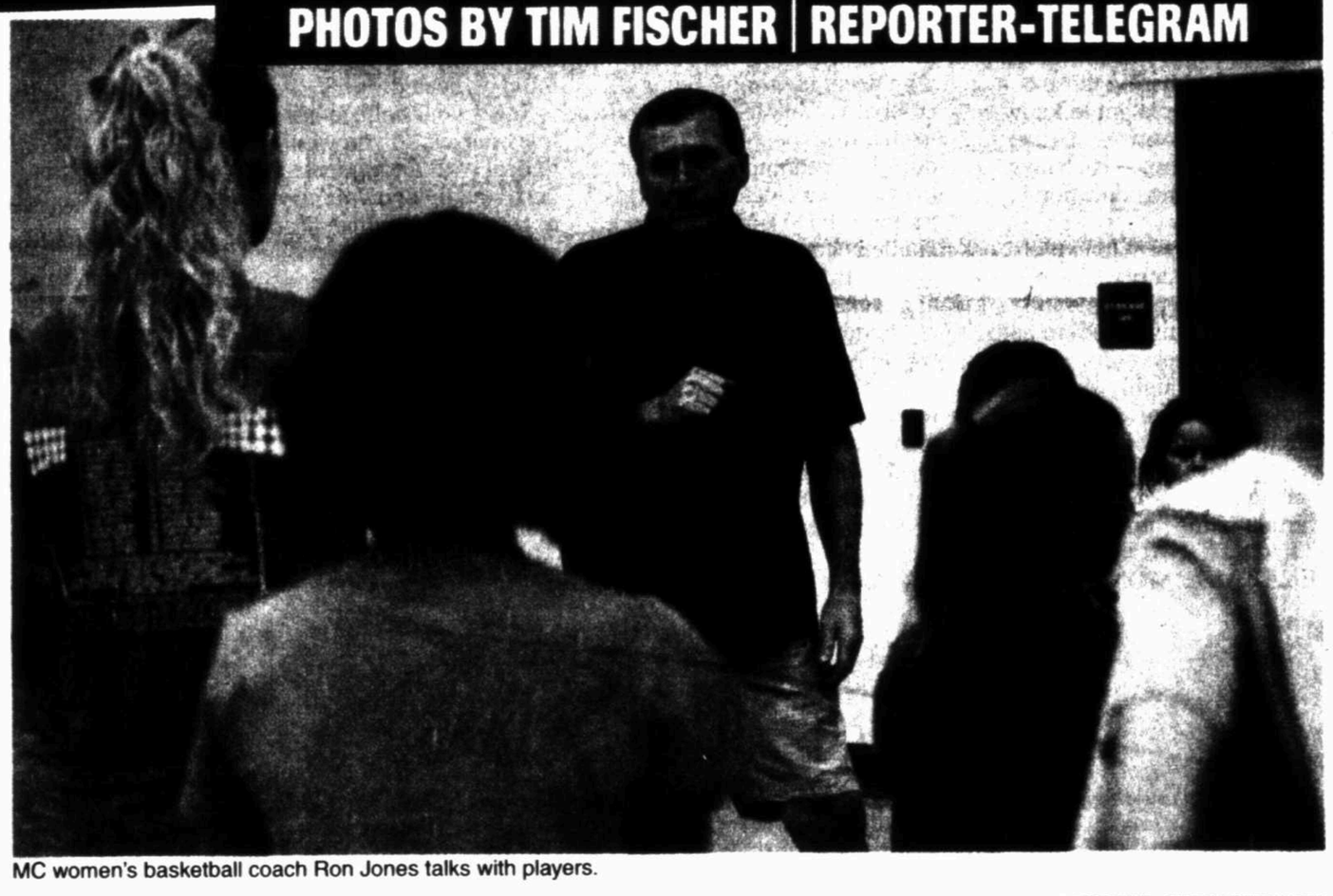
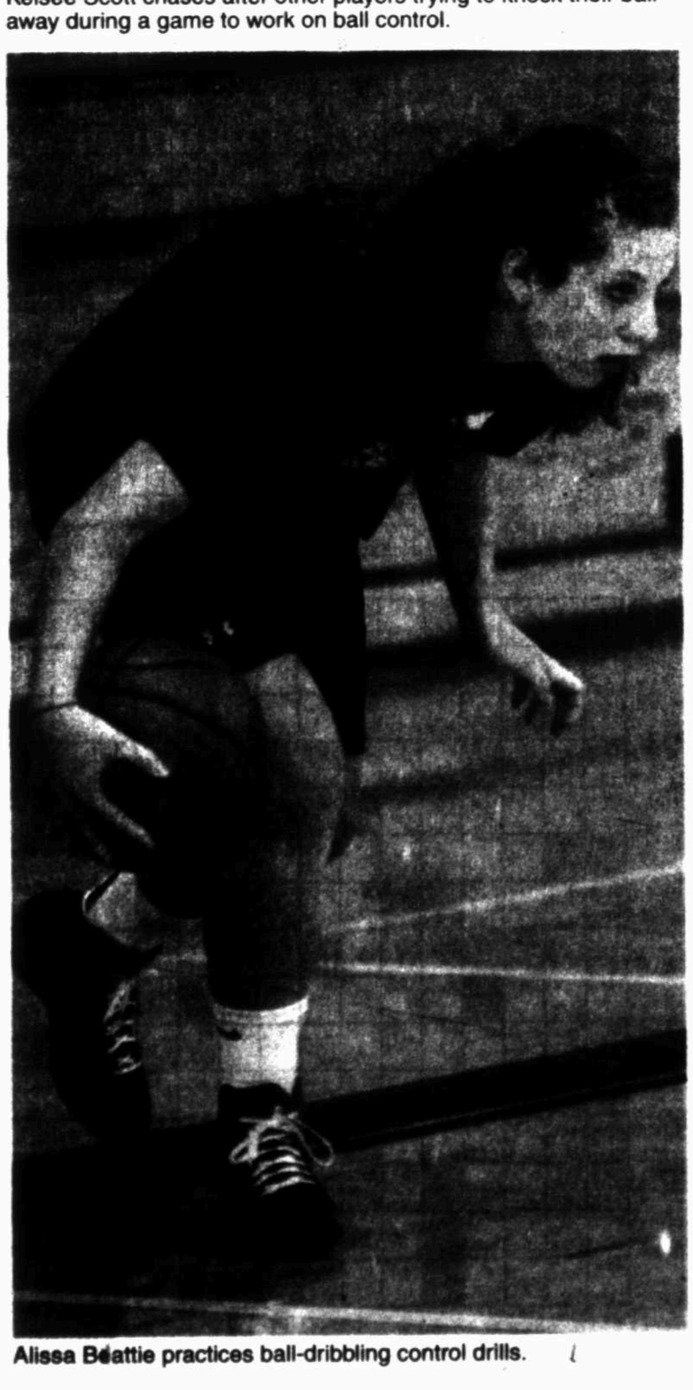
Kelsee Scott chases after other players trying to knock their ball away during a game to work on ball control.

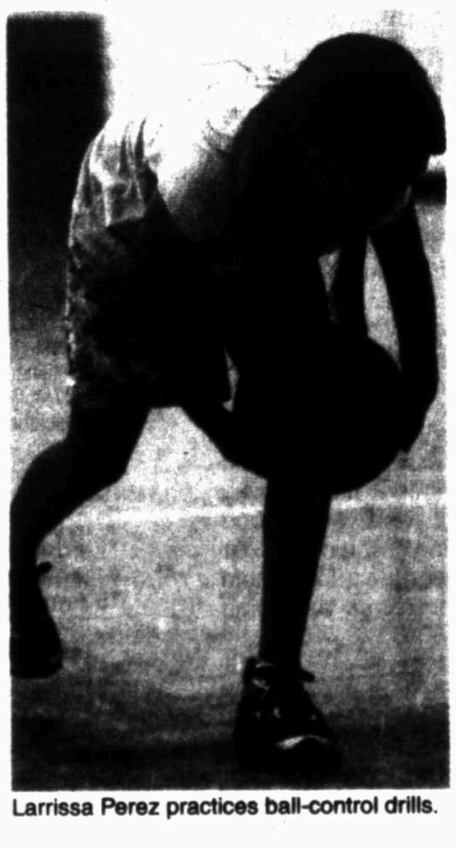


MC women's basketball coach Ron Jones talks with players.

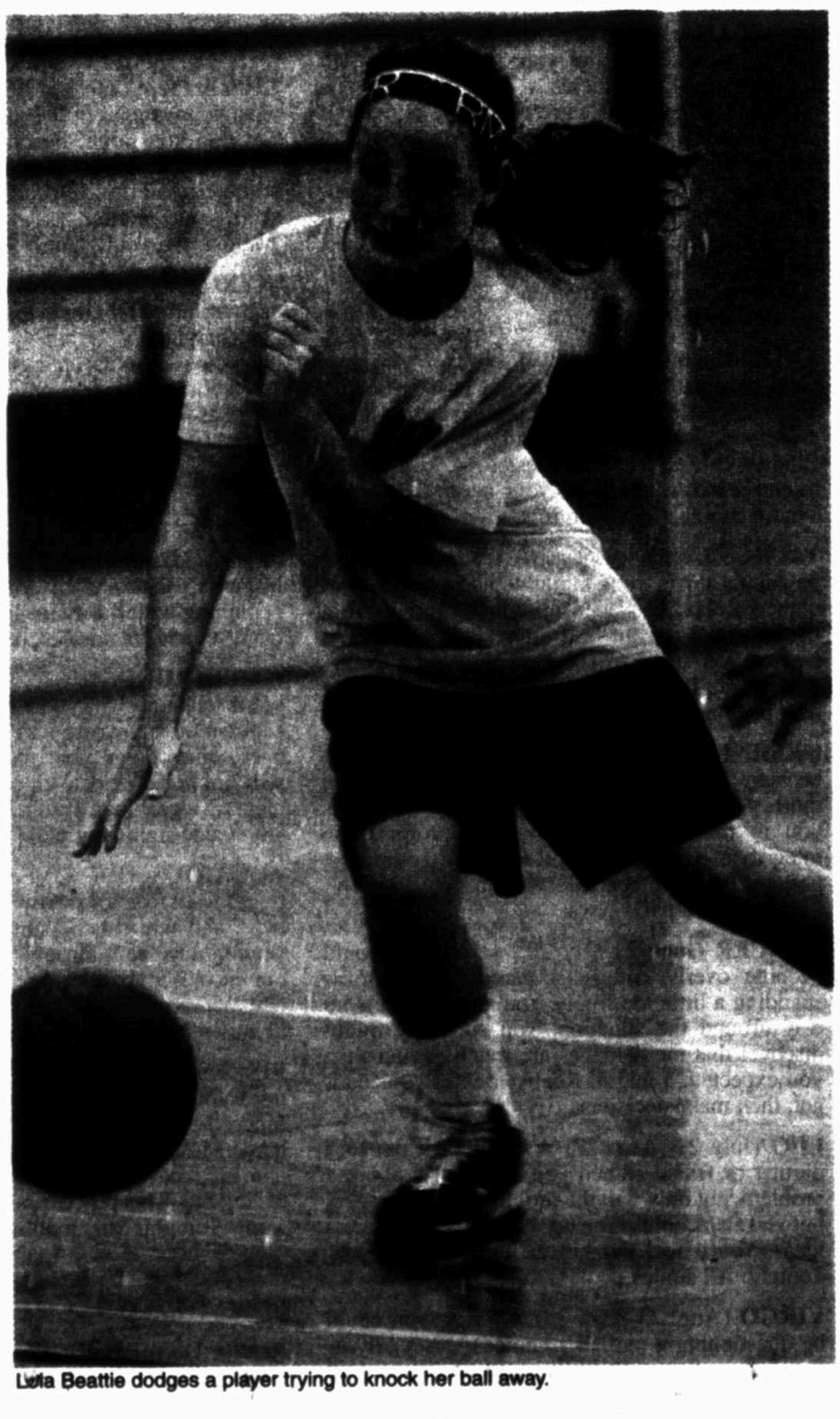


Alissa Beattie practices ball-dribbling control drills.

Hannah Jones protects the ball as the campers play a game of knock away.



Larrissa Perez practices ball-control drills.



Leia Beattie dodges a player trying to knock her ball away.

Off-field issues for Manziel cloud Texas A&M camp

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

COLLEGE STATION — Johnny Football is practicing with Texas A&M. Whether he starts the season opener is another question.

Coach Kevin Sumlin on Monday said he would not speculate when asked if Johnny Manziel will be his starter on Aug. 31 against Rice following an ESPN report that the NCAA is investigating whether the Heisman Trophy winner was paid for signing hundreds of autographs last January.

"There's a lot of people involved in that decision," Sumlin said without being specific.

If Manziel was paid for his autograph on memorabilia, it could potentially violate NCAA amateurism rules and put his eligibility in question a year after his jaw-dropping performance on the field made him the first freshman to win the Heisman as college football's top player. Speaking to the media as the team began preseason practices in earnest, Sumlin said he learned of the ESPN report Sunday.

For now, Manziel will lead the Aggies. But his coach is clearly thinking of backups, too.

"He'll get as many reps as he was going to get yesterday," Sumlin said of Manziel, before adding: "We've got to develop a backup quarterback no matter what."

The report is just the latest in a string of off-the-field distractions caused by Manziel. He's made headlines for tweeting that he "can't wait to leave College Station," despite having three years of eligibility remaining, he allegedly overslept at a football camp run by the Manning family and was supposedly kicked out of a University of Texas fraternity party in the last couple of months.

The 20-year-old sophomore calmly answered questions after question at SEC media days last month, acknowledging his eventful offseason and indicating he needed to make better decisions because he's such a public figure.

"I don't feel like I've done anything that's catastrophic," Manziel said then. "Of course, I've made my mistakes. It's time to grow up."

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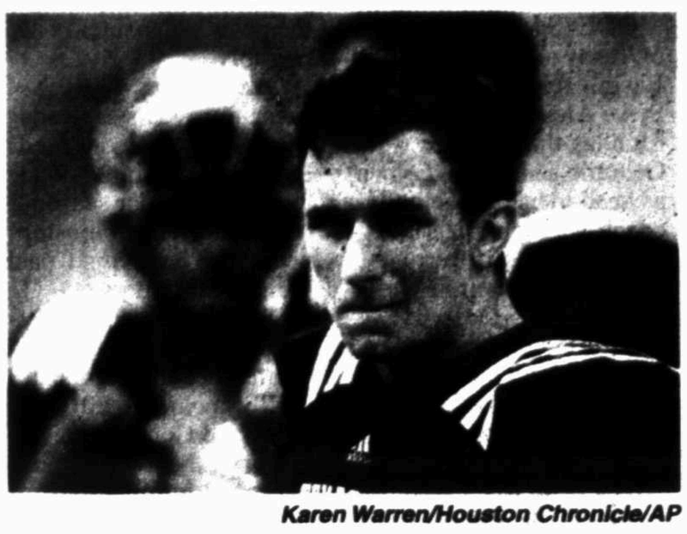
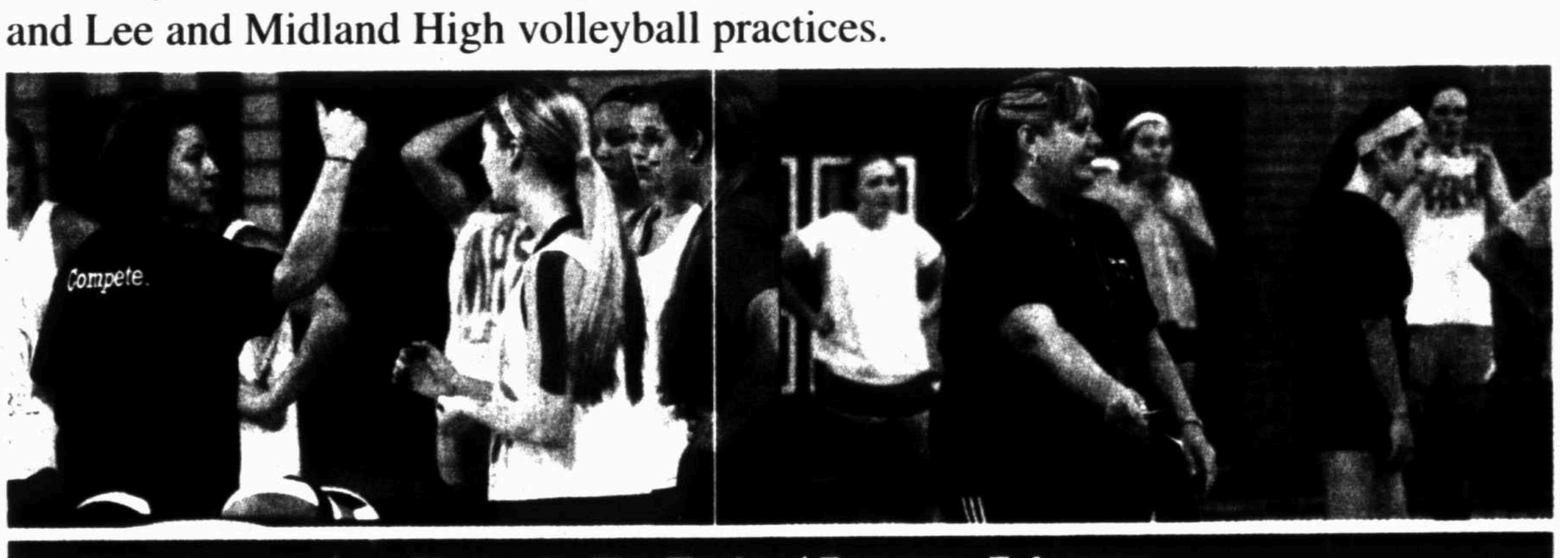


Karen Warren/Houston Chronicle/AP

Texas A&M quarterback Johnny Manziel, seen here during the Aggies' Maroon & White spring game on April 13 at Kyle Field in College Station, is embroiled in another off-the-field issue.

Back to work

TOP: Greenwood players run drills at Greenwood High School. **BOTTOM LEFT:** Midland High volleyball coach Amanda Lopez talks to her players at the MHS gymnasium. **BOTTOM RIGHT:** Lee volleyball coach Daphne Rhoads instructs her team at Lee High School. Monday was the first day of practice for high school football teams except for Class 4A and 5A schools that had spring practice. Monday was also the first day of practice for all of the volleyball squads. Go to www.mywesttexas.com to see photo galleries from Greenwood football practice and Lee and Midland High volleyball practices.



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Alexander takes over Trinity as Jauz joins Lee baseball staff

By Len Hayward
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Two weeks ago, Chris Jauz was planning for another football season at Trinity.

But a lot can happen in two weeks, and it did for Jauz and the Trinity football program.

Jauz officially announced Monday that he was resigning as head football and golf coach at the school to become an assistant baseball coach and teacher at Lee High School.

Jauz informed the Trinity players Monday morning, prior to the team's first practice for this season. But in that same meeting, assistant coach and former Lee and Texas Tech star Antwan Alexander was tabbed to take over the program, completing a whirlwind week for Jauz, Alexander and the program.

Alexander

Jauz's hiring at Lee is pending the approval of the Midland ISD Board of Trustees. Alexander signed his new contract Monday.

Jauz

"I just talked to them in the locker room like we normally would before the first practice, and I think some of them were surprised," Jauz said Monday. "They are going to be fine. Coach Alexander is there and the school had the right people to move forward."

Jauz has been coaching at Trinity for 12 years, and spent the last nine as the school's head football coach. After last year's 4-5 campaign, Jauz was 61-49 in 10 seasons leading the Chargers, including winning a Texas Christian Athletic League title in 2005, and Texas Christian Athletic Fellowship titles from 2007-09.

Jauz also led the Trinity golf program to nine straight TAPPS, TCAL or TCAF titles from 2004 to 2012.

"We feel like it's a win, win, win for everybody," Trinity Head Master Chip Prehn said. "It's a great opportunity for Chris, and it's a fantastic opportunity for Antwan Alexander. And I think at Trinity, we are going to be well fixed. Antwan was mentored about six-man football by Chris Jauz for three years. He's ready for it and pumped."

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Defiant A-Rod gets 211-game ban but will appeal case

■ Former RockHounds Nelson Cruz and Fautino De Los Santos also hit with suspensions

By Ronald Blum
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Defiant till the end, Alex Rodriguez is intent on evading baseball's most sweeping punishment since the Black Sox scandal.

Rodriguez was suspended through 2014 and All-Stars Nelson Cruz, Jhonny Peralta and Everth Cabrera were banned 50 games apiece Monday when Major League Baseball disciplined 13 players for their relationship to Biogenesis of America, a Florida anti-aging clinic accused of distributing banned performance-enhancing drugs.

The harshest penalty was reserved for Rodriguez, the New York Yankees slugger, a three-time Most Valuable Player and baseball's highest-paid star. He said he will appeal his suspension, which covers 211 games, by Thursday's deadline. And since arbitrator Fredric Horowitz isn't expected to rule until November or December at the earliest, Rodriguez was free to make his season debut Monday night and play the rest of this year.

Sidelined since hip surgery in January, Rodriguez rejoined the Yankees five hours after the suspension in a series opener at the Chicago White Sox, playing third base and batting fourth. Booed loudly when he walked to the plate, Rodriguez blooped a single to left field in the second inning and was stranded on third base.

"The last seven months has been a nightmare, has been probably the worst time of my life for sure," Rodriguez said.

The other 12 players agreed to their 50-game penalties, giving them a chance to return for the playoffs.

Ryan Braun's 65-game suspension last month and previous penalties bring to 18 the total number of players sanctioned for their connection with Biogenesis.

At the center of it all was Rodriguez, once the greatest player of his time, reduced Monday night to saying that he was humbled, at 38, just to "have the opportunity to put on this uniform again" and adding if he didn't fight for his career, no one else would.

A-Rod's drug penalty was for "his use and possession of numerous forms of prohibited performance-enhancing substances, including testosterone and human growth hormone over the course of multiple years," MLB said.

His punishment under the labor contract was "for attempting to cover up his violations of the program by engaging in a course of conduct intended to obstruct and frustrate the office of the commissioner's investigation."

In Chicago, Rodriguez wouldn't deny using PEDs, saying "when the

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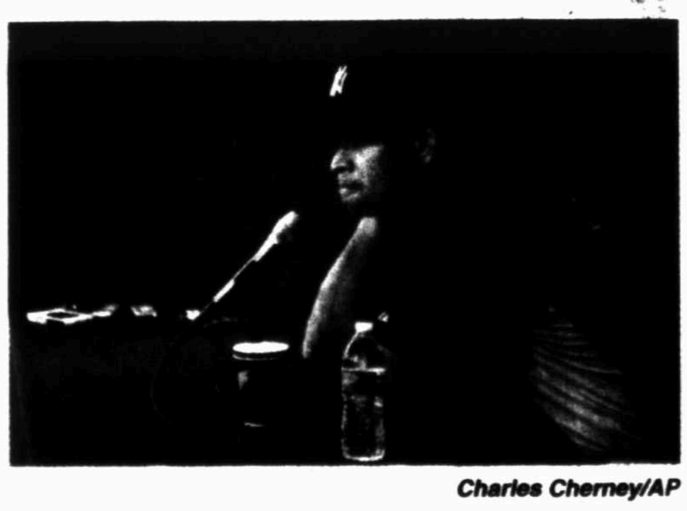

Charles Cherney/AP

New York's Alex Rodriguez has a news conference before the Yankees play the Chicago White Sox on Monday at US Cellular Field in Chicago.

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Texas Rangers star and former RockHound Nelson Cruz admits 'error in judgment.'

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UTPB hoops coach Osborne resigns to take job in W. Va.

From staff reports

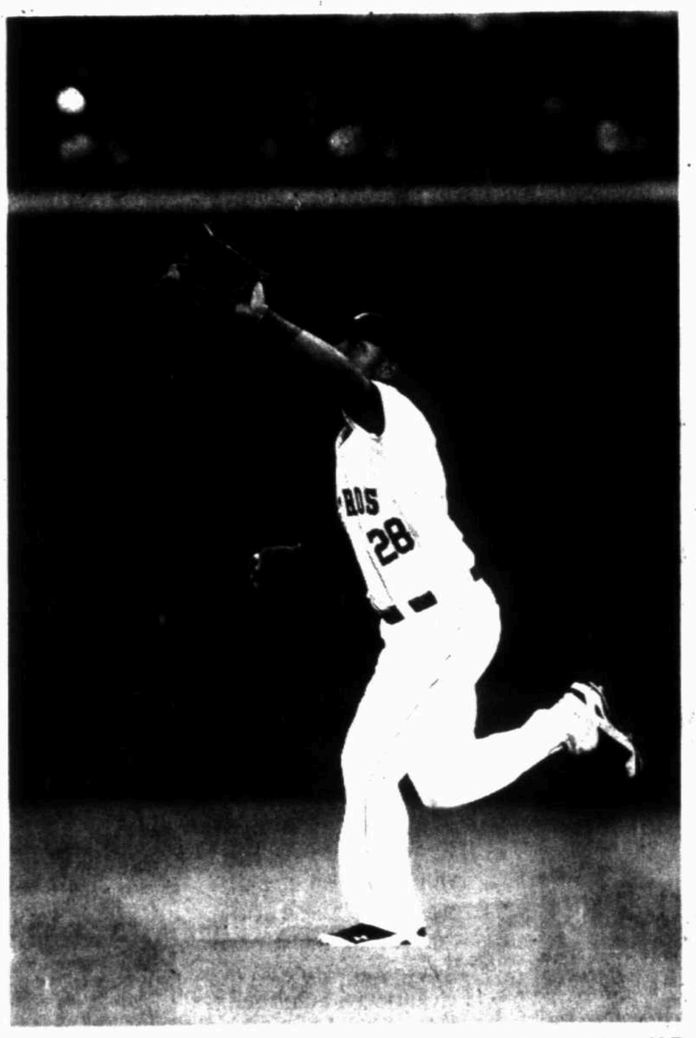
ODESSA — University of Texas of the Permian Basin Athletic Director Steve Aicinena announced Monday that Dwaine Osborne has stepped down as head men's basketball coach to accept the same position at the University of Charleston in West Virginia.

"Coach Osborne has been a valued member of the UTPB Athletics family and he will be missed," said Aicinena. "He has been a good role model for the young men he coached, and he ran his program admirably."

Aicinena said the position has bee posted, and they are looking to fill the position as quickly as possibly.

Osborne was 47-61 in his four years as head coach of the Falcons, and he lead UTPB in 2010-11 to its first regular season conference championship while also receiving Coach of the Year honors.

Osborne had eight players named All-Heartland Conference in his time at UTPB, including 2011 Heartland Conference Player of the Year Jamal Holden, 2011 and 2012 Defensive Player of the Year Erik Martin, and 2012 Freshman of the Year Madison Turner.



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Houston Astros left fielder L.J. Hoes makes the catch for the out in the fifth inning during Monday's game against the Boston Red Sox in Houston. The Astros came away with a 2-0 win.

MLBROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

ASTROS 2
RED SOX 0

HOUSTON — Brett Oberholtzer threw seven shutout innings, and L.J. Hoes scored twice to lead Houston over Boston.

Oberholtzer (2-0) allowed four hits while walking two and striking out two. In his first two career starts, Oberholtzer has thrown 14 scoreless innings, allowing seven hits.

WHITE SOX 8
YANKEES 1

CHICAGO — Alex Rodriguez blooped a single into left field in his first at-bat of the season, hours after being hit with a long suspension.

It was a nice start for the embattled slugger, but that was it. The finish belonged to the Chicago White Sox.

TIGERS 4
INDIANS 2

CLEVELAND — Alex Avila's three-run homer in the ninth inning off closer Chris Perez rallied Detroit to its ninth straight win.

ROYALS 13
TWINS 0

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Jeremy Guthrie pitched a four-hitter and Eric Hosmer drove in a career-high five runs to help Kansas City rout Minnesota.

National League

DODGERS 3
CARDINALS 2

ST. LOUIS — Zack Greinke pitched into the seventh inning and raised his batting average to .405 with an RBI single, helping the Los Angeles Dodgers win their 15th straight on the road with a 3-2 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals on Monday night.

BRAVES 3
NATIONALS 2

WASHINGTON — Justin Upton led off the eighth inning with a tiebreaking homer, and the NL East-leading Braves extended their winning streak to a season-high 11 games by beating the fading Nationals.

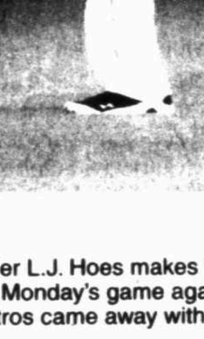
Dempsey joins Seattle in prime of his career

By Tim Booth
Associated Press

SEATTLE — Clint Dempsey says his surprising decision to move away from Europe and sign for the Seattle Sounders was made because he wanted to move back to the United States at the prime of his career rather than wait until his playing days were almost over.

"I just missed being in America," Dempsey said on Monday after his move from Tottenham. "I wanted to help continue the growth of the game here. You can't help the growth of the game if you come back and you don't perform.

"I understand there is a lot of pressure on me to succeed, a lot of expectations that others have on me, but also the expectations I put on myself and when I decided to come back to this league, I want to make an impact. I want to do a good job. I don't want to come and be passive and not be able to make a difference in games. I want to win things."



Dempsey

That pull was at the heart of Dempsey's decision to have his agents contact MLS in late July and start the process that was finalized over the weekend when Dempsey signed with the Sounders, bringing back arguably the best current American player to the domestic league.

"I've been in Europe for 6 1/2 years and I just wanted to come home. Each year was getting more difficult to go back," Dempsey said. "The Seattle Sounders moved mountains to get me here. It was an opportunity to come back when I was in my prime and continue growth in the league and it's a challenge."

Castillejos tabbed to lead Lee program

By Len Hayward
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Alan Castillejos was a little surprised he received an interview for the vacant girls soccer head coaching position at Lee High School.

But when he actually got the offer to take the position, that's when he was really shocked.

His shock has worn off some, but even on Monday when the former soccer and football star at Odessa Permian was officially named to the position, he was still feeling the surprise.

"I knew that there would be jobs open for assistant coaches as well, and I originally applied for an assistant coaching position, but I didn't realize it would be the head coach position," Castillejos said in the Lee girls soccer locker room on Monday. "When they offered it to me was when it really hit me."

Castillejos

The job will not only be the 22-year-old Castillejos' first head-coaching job, but it will also be his first teaching and coaching job ever in a high school.

Castillejos graduated from Trinity University, where he also played soccer and kicked for the football team, in May and began looking for jobs shortly after he graduated. Castillejos will take over for former coach Brian Pollard, who announced his resignation in July to take a job as an assistant football coach at Odessa Permian.

But even with Castillejos' lack of coaching experience, Midland ISD Executive Director of Athletics Todd Howey said he's confident he can do the job.

"He wants to be here, and he's passionate about the kids and has some enthusiasm," Howey said. "He's got some spark, and has some high expectations, and that's something I think this program lacks right now, and I think he's bringing that to us."

Castillejos said he knows there will be plenty of challenges in his first head coaching job, including his closeness in age to the players. But he said he plans to "stop that where it never starts."

Plus, he added there will be some challenges ahead considering he's just over six months from playing soccer at Trinity, but is planning on leaning on former mentor and current Odessa Permian boys soccer coach Luis Carmona and other coaches he's come in contact with through his playing career.

Castillejos added that he's spent his whole life around the game as his father played at Ohio State, and also played professionally.

"Transitioning for me is going to be a hard thing," Castillejos said. "I got off the field in December, right at six months ago and now transitioning to being a coach, and having to be the head of the team. Transitioning that way is going to be a challenge because you still want to go out there and play. I know I have to look at it from a tactical perspective."

Castillejos, whose degree is in neuroscience, will teach chemistry at Lee.

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JAUZ

From 1C

Jauz said he's had a growing interest in baseball since he's been coaching his son, Cooper, and said he was ready for the move to the different sport after coaching football for more than a decade.

"Baseball has been a big part of our family for the past several years, and I guess it's something I've been become pretty passionate about," said Jauz, who also had an assistant coaching stint at Odessa High. "It's just an opporutnity to learn a new game, and working for someone like (Lee baseball coach Brian) Roper is very appealing."

Alexander played at Lee during the mid-1990s under former coach Earl Miller and John Parchman, and then later went on to a successful career as a defensive back at Texas Tech under Spike Dykes.

Alexander has worked at Goddard Junior High and Midland Academy Charter School, and has been coaching at Trinity for the last three years. He said he took another job outside of education at the end of last school year, but said he wanted to return to teaching and coaching when this opportunity came up.

Alexander will teach physical education.

"The way things unfolded, I still don't have any words," Alexander said. "Coach Jauz spoke to them ahead of time, and when he said that he was leaving and going to Lee, some of the looks on their faces were kind of like, 'What are we going to do now?' But when he introduced me as head coach, the frowns turned upside down. The rapport I have with the kids helped in a lot of ways. The kids trust me, and I understand them and they understand me.

"(Jauz) said he wouldn't feel comfortable passing this job on to anybody else but me, and that in and of itself let me know that coach Jauz thinks highly of me."

The Chargers will open the regular season on Aug. 31 against Loraine at Grande Communications Stadium.

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MANZIEL

From 1C

Last week, Manziel tweeted: "I ain't perfect, I ain't insane but I AM worth it...if there's one thing I am worth it."

The antics have overshadowed what is expected to be a banner year for Texas A&M. The Aggies are coming off an 11-2 record in their first season in the SEC after moving from the Big 12, a year highlighted by Manziel leading Texas A&M to an upset win at No. 1 Alabama. The rematch in College Station is Sept. 14.

But instead of answering questions about his expectations for the season, Sumlin was left to respond to question after question about Manziel.

"I've been through different things," Sumlin said. "As a coach when those things happen, it's not what happens to you, it's how you deal with it. We've got a veteran staff that knows how to deal with different situations."

Manziel's teammates seem unfazed by his recent trouble and said that nothing has changed the way they view their quarterback.

"He still has all leadership qualities he displayed last year, he's being more vocal now, he's taking on more of the leadership responsibilities," running back Ben Malena said. "The off the field issues doesn't bother us not one bit when it comes to a team aspect."

While Sumlin is working through the Manziel situation, he noted that a much more difficult task was talking to his team about the recent death of defensive lineman Polo Manukainiu, who was killed in a New Mexico car crash along with two others.

"It was not an easy topic," Sumlin said. "It's one of the hardest things a coach has to deal with. In a way getting back together as a group and getting back in the routine, going out on the field today, somehow that might help. Because these guys share the same kind of emotions the same kind of feelings for a guy that they cared very, very deeply about."

He also said starting defensive tackle Kirby Ennis, who was arrested in February on a weapons charge, will be suspended for the Rice game.

Journeyman defender Selvie in contention for roster spot

By Tom Orsborn
San Antonio Express-News

CANTON, Ohio. — George Selvie hit a professional low after the Tampa Bay Buccaneers released him in May.

The defensive end had signed with the Bucs one month earlier and was hopeful he would stick around for a while in his home state. After it didn't work out, he wondered if his career might be over after only three seasons.

"You try not to think about it, but in the back of your mind, you're like, 'Man, people are in (organized team activities), people are about to start camp,' " said Selvie, 26. "I'm sitting at home (in Pensacola, Fla.) still working out, playing with my son. But I finally got that call and when I got that call, I was ready."

"That call" was from the Dallas Cowboys, who signed the 6-foot-4, 270-pound Selvie on July 24 after injuries depleted their defensive line. He practiced that same day in Oxnard, Calif., after leaving Pensacola on an early morning flight.

"I got there and it was, 'OK, nice to meet you. We are going to need you at practice at 4 o'clock,' " Selvie said. "I'm like, 'Uh, all right.' But I'm just grateful. I thank God every day for my opportunity."

Kin Man Hui/San Antonio Express-News

Defensive end George Selvie (98) works his way through the line of scrimmage during the morning session of Dallas Cowboys training camp July 29 in Oxnard.

End Tyrone Crawford, who was expected to back up both DeMarcus Ware and Anthony Spencer, is out for the season after tearing his left Achilles tendon on the first day of training camp practice. And Spencer could miss the rest of the preseason after undergoing arthroscopic surgery on his left knee.

That misfortune paved the way for Selvie to receive plenty of playing time in Sunday's 24-20 preseason-opening win over the Miami Dolphins. And he made the most of it, recording four tackles, two sacks, two tackles for loss and three quarterback hits.

The head-turning performance, coupled with the injuries, puts him in contention for a spot on the 53-man roster.

"It's a producing league," Selvie said. "If you produce, that's the way you stay in."

Said coach Jason Garrett, "He did a nice job from the first practice he had with us. You can tell he has played a lot in this league. He is a good football player, a hungry football player. He works hard in practice.

"...It didn't surprise us that he would (play well against Miami) based on how he's been practicing."

A seventh-round pick by St. Louis in 2010, Selvie has logged 36 games for three teams over three seasons. He played in all 16 games as a rookie, notching 19 tackles and 1.5 sacks, but the Rams waived him in September 2011. Short stints with Carolina and Jacksonville followed.

Now he hopes he can jump start his career in Dallas and fulfill the promise that came with finishing as South Florida's career sacks leader with 28.5.

"Through the last three years, I've been through some stuff," said Selvie, the 2007 Big East Defensive Player of the Year after recording 14.5 sacks and a nation-high 31.5 tackles for loss as an All-America sophomore. "So just going out here and having a good game, starting off right (feels good). We've got four more (preseason) games left, still got camp left. I've got to build off that. I can't stay settled. I've got to go for greatness, and that's what I'm going to try to do."

Injury update: Rookie receiver Terrance Williams should be cleared to play in Friday's game at Oakland after missing Sunday's game with a head injury he suffered in practice Friday, Garrett said.

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San Antonio	25	18	.581	—
Frisco	18	25	.419	9
Midland	17	27	.386	10

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Today's Games

Northwest Arkansas at Corpus Christi, 7:05 p.m.
Arkansas at San Antonio, 7:05 p.m.
Midland at Tulsa, 7:05 p.m.
Frisco at Springfield, 7:05 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Arkansas at San Antonio, 7:05 p.m.
Northwest Arkansas at Corpus Christi, 7:05 p.m.
Midland at Tulsa, 7:05 p.m.
Frisco at Springfield, 7:05 p.m.

NFL Preseason

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Cleveland	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Pittsburgh	0	0	0	.000	0	0
West						
Denver	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Kansas City	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Oakland	0	0	0	.000	0	0
San Diego	0	0	0	.000	0	0

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	1	0	0	1.000	24	20
N.Y. Giants	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Philadelphia	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Washington	0	0	0	.000	0	0
South						
Atlanta	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Carolina	0	0	0	.000	0	0
New Orleans	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Tampa Bay	0	0	0	.000	0	0
North						
Chicago	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Detroit	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Green Bay	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Minnesota	0	0	0	.000	0	0
West						
Arizona	0	0	0	.000	0	0
San Francisco	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Seattle	0	0	0	.000	0	0
St. Louis	0	0	0	.000	0	0

Sunday's Score

Dallas 24, Miami 20

Thursday's Games

Baltimore at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.
Washington at Tennessee, 7 p.m.
Cincinnati at Atlanta, 7 p.m.
St. Louis at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Denver at San Francisco, 8 p.m.
Seattle at San Diego, 9 p.m.

Friday's Games

N.Y. Jets at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Miami at Jacksonville, 6:30 p.m.
New England at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.
Houston at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Kansas City at New Orleans, 7 p.m.
Arizona at Green Bay, 7 p.m.
Chicago at Carolina, 7 p.m.
Dallas at Oakland, 9 p.m.

Saturday's Game

N.Y. Giants at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 11

Buffalo at Indianapolis, 12:30 p.m.

Tennis

ATP World Tour Coupe Rogers Results
A U.S. Open Series event
Monday
At Uniprix Stadium
Montreal
Purse: $3.496 million (Masters 1000)
Surface: Hard-Outdoor
Singles
First Round

Ivan Dodig, Croatia, def. Grega Zemlja, Slovenia, 6-1, 6-1.
Florian Mayer, Germany, def. Bernard Tomic, Australia, 5-7, 6-3, 6-3.
Ernests Gulbis, Latvia, def. Feliciano Lopez, Spain, 7-6 (4), 6-4.
Pablo Andujar, Spain, def. Amir Weintraub, Israel, 6-1, 7-6 (4).
Andreas Seppi, Italy, def. Lukas Rosol, Czech Republic, 6-4, 4-6, 7-6 (4).
Marinko Matosevic, Australia, def. Benjamin Becker, Germany, 6-2, 6-3.
Martin Klizan, Slovakia, def. Thomaz Bellucci, Brazil, 5-7, 6-4, 7-6 (6).
Benoit Paire, France, def. Philipp Kohlschreiber, Germany, 7-6 (1), 7-5.
Denis Istomin, Uzbekistan, def. Janko Tipsarevic (16), Serbia, 6-4, 6-3.
Jesse Levine, Canada, def. Xavier Malisse, Belgium, 6-4, 7-6 (4).
Kei Nishikori (9), Japan, def. Peter Polansky, Canada, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.

WTA Rogers Cup Results
A U.S. Open Series event
Monday
At Rexall Centre
Toronto
Purse: $2.369 million (Premier)
Surface: Hard-Outdoor
Singles
First Round

Sorana Cirstea, Romania, def. Olga Savchuk, Ukraine, 6-2, 6-3.
Flavia Pennetta, Italy, def. Urszula Radwanska, Poland, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2.
Roberta Vinci (10), Italy, def. Julie Goerges, Germany, 2-6, 6-4, 6-3.
Dominika Cibulkova, Slovakia, def. Jana Cepelova, Slovakia, 7-5, 6-4.
Klara Zakopalova, Chech Republic, def. Lucie Safarova, Chech Republic, 5-7, 6-3, 6-1.
Sloane Stephens (14), United States, def. Kristina Mladenovic, France, 6-2, 7-6 (5).
Yanina Wickmayer, Belgium, def. Laura Robson, Britain, 6-4, 2-6, 6-4.
Mona Barthel, Germany, def. Zheng Jie, China, 6-7 (3), 6-3, 7-6 (1).
Kiki Bertens, Netherlands, def. Alison Riske, United States, 6-4, 1-6, 6-3.
Varvara Lepchenko, United States, def. Ayumi Morita, Japan, 6-3, 6-1.
Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova, Russia, def. Carol Zhao, Canada, 6-1, 6-3.

WNBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	13	6	.684	—
Atlanta	11	6	.647	1
Indiana	9	10	.474	4
Washington	9	12	.429	5
New York	8	12	.400	5 1/2
Connecticut	6	12	.333	6 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	16	3	.842	—
Los Angeles	13	7	.650	3 1/2
Phoenix	10	10	.500	6 1/2
Seattle	8	11	.421	8
San Antonio	7	13	.350	9 1/2
Tulsa	7	15	.318	10 1/2

Today's Games

Washington at New York, 10 a.m.
Los Angeles at Connecticut, 6 p.m.
Indiana at Chicago, 7 p.m.
Minnesota at San Antonio, 7 p.m.
Seattle at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
New York	11	7	7	40	38	29
Sporting Kansas City	10	7	6	36	33	24
Montreal	10	6	5	35	33	32
Philadelphia	9	7	7	34	34	32
Houston	9	6	6	33	26	21
New England	8	8	6	30	27	20
Chicago	8	9	4	28	27	31
Columbus	6	11	5	23	25	30
Toronto FC	4	10	8	20	20	29
D.C.	3	15	4	13	13	36

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Real Salt Lake	11	7	5	38	38	26
Portland	9	3	11	35	32	21
Colorado	8	3	11	35	30	26
Vancouver	9	7	6	33	34	30
Los Angeles	10	9	3	33	32	27
FC Dallas	8	6	8	32	27	30
Seattle	9	7	4	31	27	22
San Jose	8	9	6	30	25	33
Chivas USA	4	13	5	17	19	39

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie.

Sunday's Games

Seattle FC at Toronto FC, 6 p.m.
New York at Columbus, 6:30 p.m.
San Jose at Vancouver, 6:30 p.m.
D.C. United at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
New England at Sporting Kansas City, 7:30 p.m.
Montreal at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Houston at Real Salt Lake, 8:30 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 11

Los Angeles at FC Dallas, 7 p.m.
Colorado at Chivas USA, 10 p.m.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	68	46	.596	—
Tampa Bay	66	46	.589	1/2
Baltimore	62	49	.559	3 1/2
New York	57	54	.514	9 1/2
Toronto	51	60	.459	15 1/2
Central Division				
Detroit	65	45	.591	—
Cleveland	62	50	.554	4
Kansas City	57	54	.514	7 1/2
Minnesota	48	61	.440	16 1/2
Chicago	41	69	.373	24
West Division				
Oakland	64	47	.577	—
Texas	62	50	.554	2 1/2
Seattle	59	53	.527	5 1/2
Los Angeles	51	59	.464	12 1/2
Houston	37	74	.333	27

Monday's Scores

Detroit 4, Cleveland 2
Houston 2, Boston 0
Kansas City 13, Milwaukee 0
Chicago White Sox 8, N.Y. Yankees 1
Texas at L.A. Angels, late
Toronto at Seattle, late

Today's Games

Detroit (Verlander 11-8) at Cleveland (Masterson 13-7), 6:05 p.m.
Oakland (Straily 6-5) at Cincinnati (Latos 10-3), 6:10 p.m.
Boston (S.Wright 2-0) at Houston (Lyles 4-5), 7:10 p.m.
Minnesota (Albers 0-0) at Kansas City (Shields 6-7), 7:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Kuroda 10-6) at Chicago White Sox (Sale 5-11), 7:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Hellickson 10-4) at Arizona (Miley 8-8), 8:40 p.m.
Texas (Darvish 10-5) at L.A. Angels (Richards 3-4), 9:05 p.m.
Baltimore (B.Norris 7-9) at San Diego (Volquez 8-8), 9:10 p.m.
Toronto (A.Johnson 1-8) at Seattle (F.Hernandez 11-4), 9:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	68	46	.596	—
Washington	54	58	.482	13 1/2
Philadelphia	50	61	.450	17
New York	49	60	.450	17
Miami	47	67	.391	23 1/2
Central Division				
Pittsburgh	67	44	.604	—
St. Louis	67	46	.593	1
Cincinnati	61	51	.545	6 1/2
Chicago	49	62	.441	18
Milwaukee	47	65	.420	20
West Division				
Los Angeles	62	49	.559	—
Arizona	59	52	.505	3
San Diego	52	60	.464	10 1/2
Colorado	52	61	.460	11
San Francisco	49	61	.445	12 1/2

Monday's Scores

Atlanta 3, Washington 1
L.A. Dodgers 3, St. Louis 2
Milwaukee at San Francisco, late

Today's Games

Arizona (Tomlin 8-6) at Washington (G.Gonzalez 7-6), 6:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (E.Jackson 7-11) at Philadelphia (K.Kendrick 9-6), 6:05 p.m.
Miami (H.Alvarez 2-1) at Pittsburgh (Locke 9-3), 6:05 p.m.
Colorado (Chatwood 7-4) at N.Y. Mets (Mejia 1-1), 6:10 p.m.
Oakland (Straily 6-5) at Cincinnati (Latos 10-3), 6:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 10-6) at St. Louis (J.Kelly 2-3), 7:15 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Hellickson 10-4) at Arizona (Miley 8-8), 8:40 p.m.
Baltimore (B.Norris 7-9) at San Diego (Volquez 8-8), 9:10 p.m.
Milwaukee (W.Peralta 7-11) at San Francisco (M.Cain 7-6), 9:15 p.m.

MONDAY'S AL WEST BOX
ASTROS 2, RED SOX 0

Boston	ab	r	h	bi
Ellsury cf	3	0	0	0
Victorn rf	4	0	0	0
Pedroia 2b	4	0	2	0
D.Ortiz dh	3	0	1	0
Napoli 1b	4	0	0	0
Middlbr lf	4	0	1	0
Stitnich c	3	0	0	0
Drew ss	4	0	1	0
BShrdr 3b	3	0	0	0
Totals	32	0	5	0

Houston	ab	r	h	bi
Gmenn lf	4	0	1	1
BBarns cf	4	0	0	0
Altuve 2b	4	0	1	0
JCastro c	3	0	1	0
Carter dh	4	0	1	0
Wallac 1b	3	0	1	0
MDmn 3b	3	0	0	0
Hoes rf	3	2	2	0
Villar ss	2	0	2	0
Totals	29	2	8	2

Boston	000	000	000	—	0
Houston	000	010	10x	—	2

E—Wallace (3). LOB—Boston 8, Houston 7. 2B—J.Gomes (13), Drew (16), Wallace (7), Hoes (1). SB—Grossman (5), Altuve (29), Hoes (2). Villar 3 (9). CS—Pedroia (5), Altuve (8), Wallace (1). S—B.Barnes.

Boston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Lackey L,7-9	6	6	2	2	2	10
Tazawa	1	0	0	0	0	1
Breslow	1	0	0	0	1	1
Mendoza						
Oberholtzer W,2-0	7	4	0	0	2	2
W.Wright	2-3	1	0	0	1	0
Fields S,1-1	1 1/3	0	0	0	0	4

Lackey pitched to 2 batters in the 7th.
T—3:11. A—25,543 (42,060).

MONDAY'S LINESCORE
AMERICAN LEAGUE
TIGERS 4, INDIANS 2

Detroit	000	004	000 — 4 12 0
Cleveland	010	100	000 — 2 5 1

Ani.Sanchez, Coke (8), Alburquerque (8), Benoit (9) and Avila; Kluber, J.Smith (8), C.Perez (9), Allen (9), Raspczynski (9) and C.Santana. W—Alburquerque 2-2. L—C.Perez 4-2. Sv—Benoit (13). HRs—Detroit, Avila (9).

WHITE SOX 8, YANKEES 1

New York	000	000	100 — 1 9 0
Chicago	322	001	00x — 8 14 0

Pettitte, Claiborne (3), Kelley (5), Chamberlain (7), Logan (8) and C.Stewart; Quintana, Lindstrom (7), Purcey (9) and Phegley. W—Quintana 6-3. L—Pettitte 7-9.

LOCAL NOTE: Jayson Nix did not play on Monday.

ROYALS 13, TWINS 0

Minnesota	000	000	000 — 0 4 0
Kansas City	000	400	40x — 13 16 0

Correia, Duensing (3), Pressly (6), Thielbar (7), Carroll (8) and Mauer, C.Herrmann; Guthrie and Kottaras. W—Guthrie 12-7. L—Correia 7-8. HRs—Kansas City, Hosmer (12).

NATIONAL LEAGUE
DODGERS 3, CARDINALS 2

Los Angeles	000	200	100 — 3 7 1
St. Louis	100	000	100 — 2 8 0

Greinke, Belisario (7), P.Rodriguez (8) and A.Ellis; Wainwright, Siegrist (8), Maness (9) and T.Cruz. W—Greinke 9-3. L—Wainwright 13-7. Sv—P.Rodriguez (2).

BRAVES 3, NATIONALS 2

Atlanta	001	010	010 — 3 8 0
Washington	100	001	000 — 2 9 1

Minor, D.Carpenter (7), Avilan (8), Walden (9) and McCann; Strasburg, Clippard (8), Mattheus (9) and W.Ramos. W—D.Carpenter 3-0. L—Clippard 6-2. Sv—Walden (1). HRs—Atlanta, J.Upton (20).

PRO RODEO LEADERS

Through Aug. 5
All-around

1. Trevor Brazile, Decatur, $148,876
2. Tuf Cooper, Decatur, $87,258
3. Rhen Richard, Roosevelt, Utah $74,215
4. Shane Proctor, Grand Coulee, Wash. $65,978
5. Landon McClaugherty, Tilden $63,525
6. Caleb Smidt, Yorktown $61,631
7. Steven Dent, Mullen, Neb. $57,953
8. Steton Vest, Chelsea, Okla. $57,813
9. **JoJo Lelliond, Andrews $49,192**
10. Jake Cooper, Monument, N.M. $46,772
11. Ryan Jarrett, Comanche, Okla. $45,360
12. Morgan Grant, New Waverly $43,739
13. Josh Peek, Pueblo, Colo. $40,226
14. Clayton Haas, Terrell $39,469
15. Ryle Smith, Oakdale, Calif. $36,645
16. Paul David Tierney, Oral, S.D. $34,224
17. Chad Johnson, Cut Bank, Mont. $30,366
18. Trell Elbauer, Goodland, Okla. $30,016
19. Justin Thigpen, Waycross, Ga. $28,585
20. Jess Tierney, Hermosa, S.D. $28,412

Bull Riding

1. Ryan Gray, Cheney, Wash. $79,651
2. Cody Feldt, Payson, Utah $79,461
3. Wes Stevenson, Lubbock $71,035
4. Wilt Love, Canyon $70,866
5. Bobby Mote, Culver, Ore. $68,761
6. J.R. Vezain, Cowley, Wyo. $67,967
7. Ty Breuer, Stanley, N.D. $65,470
8. Jared Smith, Cross Plains $58,590
9. Clint Cannon, Waller $56,488
10. Austin Foss, Terrebonne, Ore. $48,671
11. Seth Hardwick, Lampasas, Texas $46,985
12. Steven Dent, Mullen, Neb. $46,014
13. Casey Collett, Pueblo, Colo. $44,973
14. R C Landergham, Pendleton, Ore. $43,635
15. Winn Ratliff, Leesville, La. $42,809

Steer Wrestling

1. Casey Martin, Sulphur, La. $69,796
2. Trevor Knowles, Mount Vernon, Ore. $58,740
3. Hunter Cure, Holliday $51,601
4. Stan Branco, Chowchilla, Calif. $50,151
5. Stirwes Mila Cochrane, Alberta $48,912
6. Matt Reeves, Cross Plains $48,379
7. K.C. Jones, Decatur $47,484
8. Jule Hazen, Ashburn, Calif. $43,864
9. Jason Miller, Lance Creek, Wyo. $43,542
10. Dean Gorsuch, Gering, Neb. $42,712
11. Luke Branquinho, Los Alamos, Calif. $41,425
12. Bray Armes, Ponder $40,311
13. Wade Sumpter, Fowler, Colo. $36,972
14. Clayton Moore, Pouce Coupe, British Columbia $36,879
15. Seth Brockman, Wheatland, Wyo. $35,047

Team Roping (header)

1. Kaleb Driggers, Albany, Ga. $81,599
2. Erich Rogers, Round Rock, Ariz. $70,149
3. Clay Tryan, Billings, Mont. $69,502
4. Drew Kramer, Plano $55,403
5. Luke Brown, Stephenville $53,683
6. Charly Crawford, Prineville, Ore. $50,135
7. Turtle Powell, Stephenville $49,901
8. Justin Van Davis, Madisonville $48,361
9. Nick Sartain, Dover, Okla. $47,861
10. Trevor Brazile, Decatur $47,339
11. Colby Lovell, Madisonville $45,901
12. Travis Tryan, Billings, Mont. $44,930
13. Brandon Beers, Powell Butte, Ore. $43,551
14. Dustin Bird, Cut Bank, Mont. $43,186
15. Landon McClaugherty, Tilden $42,116

Team Roping (heeler)

1. Travis Graves, Jay, Okla. $84,706
2. Cory Petska, Marana, Ariz. $71,548
3. Jade Corkill, Fallon, Nev. $68,082
4. Buddy Hawkins II, Columbus, Kan. $54,942
5. Ryan Motes, Weatherford $53,415
6. Jim Ross Cooper, Monument, N.M. $50,873
7. Kollin VonAhn, Blanchard, Okla. $50,407
8. Martin Lucero, Stephenville $49,505
9. Rich Skelton, Llano $49,430
10. Tommy Zunga, Centerville $48,532
11. Dugan Kelly, Paso Robles, Calif. $48,208
12. **Patrick Smith, Lipan $47,339**
13. Kory Koontz, Sudan $45,127
14. Jake Long, Coffeyville, Kan. $44,930
15. Paul Eaves, Lonedell, Mo. $44,241

Saddle Bronc Riding

1. Tyler Corrington, Hastings, Minn. $83,807
2. Cody Wright, Milford, Utah $79,325
3. Jesse Wright, Milford, Utah $65,765
4. Chad Ferley, Oelrichs, S.D. $64,955
5. Cort Scheer, Elsmere, Neb $60,716
6. Wade Sundell, Bonholm, Iowa $59,926
7. Jacobs Crawley, Stephenville $57,436
8. Taos Muncy, Corona, N.M. $51,214
9. Cole Elsharbe, Faith, S.D. $46,856
10. Bradley Harter, Weatherford $46,206
11. Isaac Diaz, Desdemona $42,531
12. Chet Johnson, Sheridan, Wyo. $40,792
13. Jake Wright, Milford, Utah $40,612
14. Sterling Crawley, Stephenville $39,607
15. Chuck Schmidt, Keldron, S.D. $38,886

Tie-down Roping

1. Tuf Cooper, Decatur $83,957
2. Sterling Smith, Stephenville $72,183
3. Tyson Durfey, Colbert, Wash. $71,955
4. Justin Maass, Giddings $65,410
5. Scott Kormos, Teague $64,391
6. Cody Ohl, Hico $57,004
7. Trevor Brazile, Decatur $55,329
8. Stetson Vest, Childress $54,780
9. Timber Moore, Aubrey $54,722
10. Caleb Smidt, Yorktown $50,326
11. Clint Robinson, Spanish Fork, Utah $45,971
12. Shane Slack, Idabel, Okla $44,134
13. Adam Gray, Seymour $42,565
14. Blair Burk, Durant, Okla $41,811
15. Rhen Richard, Roosevelt, Utah $40,299

Steer Roping

1. Rocky Patterson, Pratt, Kan., $58,696
2. Trevor Brazile, Decatur $46,208
3. Chet Herren, Pawhuska, Okla. $42,980
4. **JoJo Lelliond, Andrews $40,196**
5. **JoJo Lelliond, Andrews $40,176**
6. **Dan Fisher, Andrews $38,306**
7. **Vin Fisher Jr., Andrews $33,839**
8. **J.Tom Fisher, Andrews $31,686**
9. Tony Reina, Wharton $30,278
10. Joe Wells, Cisco $28,997
11. Scott Snedecor, Fredericksburg $28,752
12. Mike Chase, McAlester, Okla. $23,769
13. J.P.Wickett, Sallisaw, Okla. $23,615
14. Jess Tierney, Hermosa, S.D. $22,897
15. Bryce Davis, Ovalo $20,801

Barrel Racing

1. J.W. Harris, Mullin, $80,814
2. Cody Teel, Kountze, $71,753
3. Trevor Kastner, Ardmore, Okla. $70,984
4. Tyler Smith, Fruita, Colo. $69,040
5. Elliot Jacoby, Fredricksburg $66,912
6. Josh Koscheki, Nunn, Colo. $65,817
7. Cody Campbell, Summerville, Ore $58,940
8. Shane Proctor, Grand Coulee, Wash. $55,284
9. Cole Echols, Elm Grove, La. $53,987
10. Chandler Bownds, Lubbock $53,564
11. Cooper Davis, Jasper $53,087
12. Parker Breding, Edgar, Mont $52,098
13. Steve Woolsey, Payson, Utah $50,711
14. Jeff Askey, Martin, Tenn. $50,144
15. Trey Benton III, Rock Island $46,728

Barrel Racing

1. Sherry Cervi, Marana, Ariz. , $121,144
2. Mary Walker, Ennis, $108,141
3. Fallon Taylor, Whitesboro, $93,088
4. Sabrina Ketcham, Yeso, N.M $84,861
5. Brittany Pozzi, Victoria $81,236
6. Michele McLeod, Whitesboro $78,636
7. Lisa Lockhart, Deinchs, S.D. $69,527
8. Taylor Jacob, Carmine $67,212
9. Jean Winters, Texline $64,964
10. Kaley Bass, Kissimmee, Fla. $62,438
11. Jane Melby, Burneyville, Okla. $61,972
12. Christy Loflin, Franktown, Colo. $52,812
13. Carlee Pierce, Stephenville $51,026
14. Kelli Tolbert, Hooper, Utah $50,966
15. Natalie Foutch, Eldora, Iowa $48,697
16. Trula Churchill, Valentine, Neb $47,849

GOLF

USGA

U.S. Women's Amateur Scores
Monday
Country Club of Charleston (S.C.)
Yardage: 6,486; Par: 71
First Round

Allisen Corpuz, Honolulu, 35-34—69
Meghan Stasi, Oakland Park, Fla., 34-37—71
Yumi Matsubara, Japan, 35-36—71
Emma Talley, Princeton, Ky., 36-35—71
Kendall Prince, Lake Oswego, Ore., 37-34—71
Emily Tubert, Ashburn, Calif., 36-33—69
B.B. MacKenzie Henderson, Canada, 35-36—71
Carolin Pinegger, Austria, 35-36—71
Allyssa Ferrell, Edgerton, Wis., 37-35—72
Stephanie Meadow, Northern Ireland, 36-36—72
Lauren Sewell, Renton, Wash., 36-36—72
Brittany Fan, Pearl City, Hawaii, 35-37—72
Alison Lee, Valencia, Calif., 38-34—72
Mariel Galdiano, Pearl City, Hawaii, 36-36—72
Yuwer Cindy Feng, Orlando, Fla., 36-36—72
Dawn Woodard, Greer, S.C., 35-37—72
Ally McDonald, Fulton, Miss., 34-38—72
Clarisa Guce, Philippines, 37-35—72
Megan Khang, Rockford, Ill., 36-36—72
Su-Hyun Oh, Australia, 38-35—73
G.Then, Rancho Cucamonga, Calif., 37-36—73
Lori Beth Adams, Burlington, N.C., 39-34—73
Minjee Lee, Australia, 36-37—73
Aurora Kan, Boothwyn, Pa., 38-35—73
Kotone Hori, Japan, 36-37—73
Ember Schultz, Sherman, Ill., 35-38—73
Sophia Popov, Germany, 36-38—74
Katelyn Sepmoree, Tyler, 38-36—74
Paige Lee, Folsom, Calif., 38-36—74
Kelly Grassel, Chesterton, Ind., 38-36—74
Tatiana Wijaya, Indonesia, 37-37—74
Mariposea Navarro, Mexico, 38-36—74
Annie Park, Levittown, N.Y., 37-37—74
K. Dambaugh, Goose Creek, S.C., 37-37—74
Doris Chen, Taiwan, 36-38—74
Kelly Shon, Port Washington, N.Y., 37-37—74
Caroline Inglis, Eugene, Ore., 37-37—74
Grace Na, Oakland, Calif., 37-38—75
Christina Meier, Rochester Hills, Mich., 39-36—75
Lauren Diaz-Yi, Thousand Oaks, Calif., 39-36—75
Desiree Dubreuil, Santa Ana, Calif., 37-38—75
Jessie Gerry, Madison, Wis., 38-37—75
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Money Leaders

PGA Tour FedExCup Leaders
Through Aug. 4

Rank Player	Points	YTD Money
1. Tiger Woods	3,031	$7,658,119
2. Matt Kuchar	2,245	$4,891,406
3. Brandt Snedeker	2,211	$4,867,911
4. Phil Mickelson	2,165	$4,941,977
5. Billy Horschel	1,487	$3,117,543
6. Bill Haas	1,412	$3,167,296
7. Justin Rose	1,412	$3,125,310
8. Keegan Bradley	1,365	$3,043,469
9. Kevin Streelman	1,270	$2,651,632
10. Boo Weekley	1,242	$2,428,936
11. Adam Scott	1,232	$2,902,513
12. Henrik Stenson	1,216	$2,896,003
13. Jason Day	1,198	$2,717,013
14. Dustin Johnson	1,140	$2,366,594
15. Jordan Spieth	1,136	$2,058,820
16. Harris English	1,126	$2,112,057
17. Hunter Mahan	1,088	$2,339,697
18. Webb Simpson	1,081	$2,179,934
19. Steve Stricker	1,055	$2,420,746
20. Russell Henley	1,048	$1,958,106
21. D.A. Points	1,010	$2,211,287
22. Jimmy Walker	996	$1,923,250
23. Charles Howell III	996	$1,782,292
24. Zach Johnson	955	$1,887,559
25. Ken Duke	890	$1,739,994
26. John Merrick	888	$1,808,705
27. Chris Kirk	888	$1,509,198
28. Graeme McDowell	878	$2,002,983
29. Chart Schwartzel	871	$1,759,823
30. Graham DeLaet	856	$1,577,300
31. Bubba Watson	830	$1,514,756
32. Angel Cabrera	826	$1,751,279
33. Sang-Moon Bae	822	$1,684,063
34. Lee Westwood	821	$1,914,930
35. Martin Laird	809	$1,779,873
36. David Lingmerth	806	$1,748,109
37. Scott Stallings	801	$1,551,047
38. Michael Thompson	780	$1,587,420
39. Ryan Palmer	780	$1,486,157
40. Ricke Fowler	770	$1,482,775
41. Chris Stroud	770	$1,477,809
42. Charley Hoffman	765	$1,488,653
43. Jonas Blixt	762	$1,587,486
44. Roberto Castro	761	$1,383,879
45. Brian Gay	744	$1,331,087
46. Jim Furyk	727	$1,300,929
47. Brendon de Jonge	719	$1,180,176
48. Matt Jones	708	$1,227,057
49. David Hearn	708	$1,044,120
50. Luke Donald	707	$1,396,446
51. John Rollins	696	$1,164,049
52. Rory McIlroy	692	$1,464,086
53. Kevin Chappell	688	$1,353,637
54. Gary Woodland

Rangers star Cruz says he made 'error in judgment'

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

Texas Rangers slugger Nelson Cruz acknowledged Monday that he made an "error in judgment" and accepted his 50-game suspension from Major League Baseball in its drug case.

Cruz was among 13 players disciplined Monday for their relationship to Biogenesis of America, a closed anti-aging clinic in Florida accused of distributing banned performing-enhancing drugs.

The All-Star right fielder said he had a gastrointestinal infection from November 2011 through January 2012 that wasn't properly diagnosed at first.

"By time I was properly diagnosed and treated, I had lost 40 pounds. Just weeks before I was to report to spring training in 2012, I was unsure whether I would be physically able to play," Cruz said. "Faced with this situation, I made an error in judgment that I deeply regret, and I accept full responsibility for that error. I should have handled the situation differently, and my illness was no excuse."

He provided no other specifics.

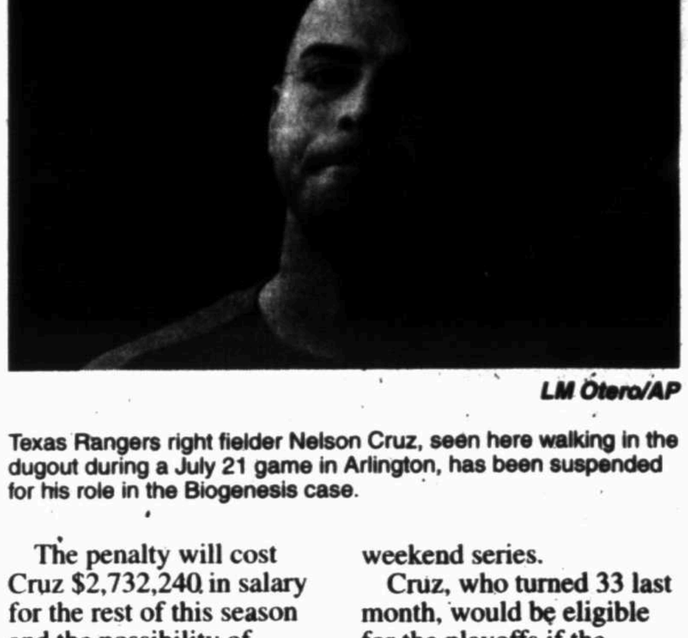
That was around the same time the Rangers were fresh off their second consecutive World Series appearance, and Cruz signed a $16 million, two-year contract to avoid salary arbitration.

Cruz, who is eligible for free agency after the season, is batting .269 with a team-high 27 home runs and 76 RBIs in 108 games this season.

"It goes without saying we're not going to replace Nelson's production with any one player, whether that's internally or via a trade," Texas general manager Jon Daniels said on a conference call. "But we're going to be creative. ... It's a challenge for us, with Nelson's history of production and the year he's having."

Daniels also reiterated a statement released earlier by the team expressing its disappointment in Cruz for violating MLB's drug policy and its full support of "efforts to eliminate performance-enhancing substances from our game."

The 50-game suspension corresponds with the last 50 games of the regular season for the Rangers, who are in contention for their fourth consecutive playoff berth.



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Texas Rangers right fielder Nelson Cruz, seen here walking in the dugout during a July 21 game in Arlington, has been suspended for his role in the Biogenesis case.

The penalty will cost Cruz $2,732,240 in salary for the rest of this season and the possibility of earning another $500,000 in potential performance bonuses based on plate appearances that are no longer attainable.

Texas had won six of seven before Monday night's game at the Los Angeles Angels, trimming its deficit in the AL West from six games to 2 1/2 games back of division-leading Oakland. Cruz hit three homers in those seven games, including one in Sunday's 4-0 victory against the Athletics in the rubber game of the weekend series.

Cruz, who turned 33 last month, would be eligible for the playoffs if the Rangers make the postseason.

Daniels said the team would be "open-minded" to Cruz's return for the playoffs, but wanted to see how the situation plays out in the coming weeks.

"Assuming that there's no other information that we're not yet aware of and if his teammates welcome him back, and Nellie handles this well, which I expect he probably will, then we're open to it," Daniels said.

The non-waiver trade deadline passed last week without the Rangers adding a right-handed hitter that could potentially help fill the void without Cruz.

Daniels said the Rangers were promoting outfielders Engel Beltre and Joey Butler from Triple-A Round Rock. Butler, looking to make his major league debut, hits from the right side while Beltre is a lefty batter.

Cruz, the 2011 AL championship series MVP, had never been linked to performance-ending drugs before he was among the players targeted by MLB in a scandal that started last January with a Miami New Times story about Biogenesis.

After his name showed up in that report, attorneys for Cruz issued a statement denying the allegations. When Cruz arrived at spring training in February he said it was "shocking" and "depressing" to have his name connected with Biogenesis.

He had said as late as Sunday that he wasn't sure if he would appeal any penalty.

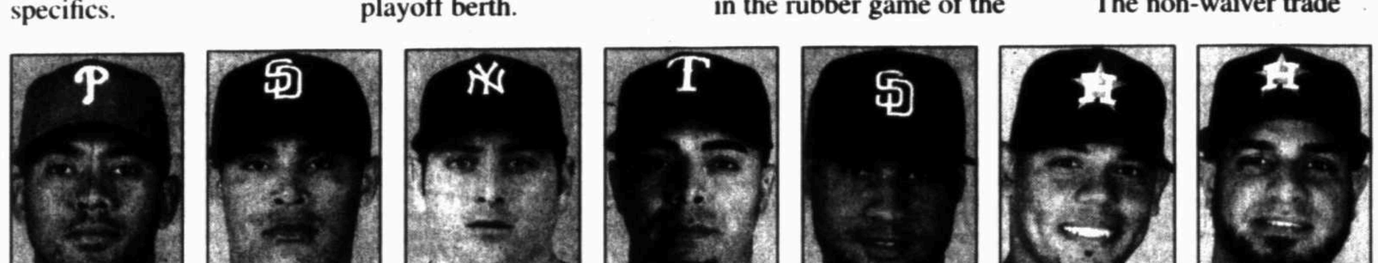
In his statement Monday, Cruz expressed thanks "for the unwavering support of my family, friends, and teammates during this difficult time. I look forward to regaining the trust and respect of the Rangers organization, my teammates, and the great Rangers' fans, and I am grateful for the opportunity to rejoin the team for the playoffs."

Even with lingering questions hanging over his head, Cruz became an All-Star for the second time as one of the top hitters for the Rangers, who needed his production after the departures of free agents Josh Hamilton and Mike Napoli last winter.

The Rangers originally acquired Cruz in a six-player trade at the non-waiver deadline in July 2006, when he came with Carlos Lee from Milwaukee. His first full major league season was 2009, when he was an All-Star and hit a career-high 33 homers.

In 34 career playoff games over the last three years, Cruz is batting .278 with 14 homers and 27 RBI.

That includes the six-game ALCS against Detroit in 2011, when Cruz had six home runs and 13 RBIs, both major league records for a postseason series. He had the first game-ending grand slam in postseason history, and was the first player with extra-inning homers in two games of one series.



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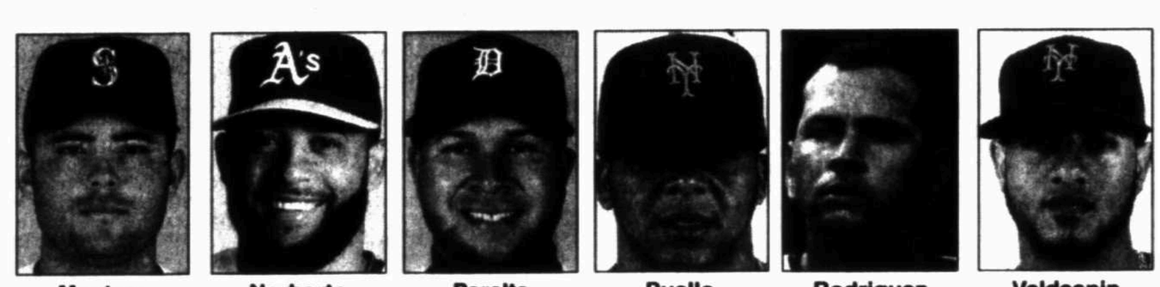

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A look at players suspended by Major League Baseball on Monday

Antonio Bastardo, left-handed pitcher, Philadelphia Phillies, 50 games: At times in his career, the 27-year-old has been a very effective reliever. He is 3-2 with two saves and a 2.32 ERA this season, and the hard thrower averages more than a strikeout per inning. His main problem has been bouts of wildness. Bastardo hadn't previously been linked to the Biogenesis scandal or performance-enhancing drugs. He has pitched for five seasons with the Phillies in several roles. He's done well in the playoffs, not allowing a run in five postseason appearances. Salary lost: $382,514.

Everth Cabrera, shortstop, San Diego Padres, 50 games: A switch-hitter who is one of the top base stealers in the big leagues, Cabrera is making $1,275,000 this season. He was the lone All-Star from the struggling Padres, but didn't get into the game. Cabrera said during spring training that he was "a little surprised" and "disappointed" that his name reportedly was listed in Biogenesis records, but otherwise declined specific comment. He did not say whether he had taken, purchased or received performance-enhancing drugs. He said at the time that he would fully cooperate with MLB. The 26-year-old Cabrera has been with the Padres since reaching the big leagues in 2009. He is hitting .283 and leads the National League with 37 steals. Salary lost: $348,361.

Francisco Cervelli, catcher, New York Yankees, 50 games: On the disabled list since breaking his right hand when it was hit by a foul ball April 26, Cervelli has said he consulted with Biogenesis after a foot injury in 2011 but did not receive any treatment from the facility. He insisted a recommendation to visit the clinic did not come from an agent or another player and that he never spoke with Alex Rodriguez about the clinic. The injury occurred during what was shaping up to be Cervelli's best season as a major leaguer. He was praised for his handling of the pitching staff and was hitting .269 with three homers and eight RBI in 52 at-bats. Yankees general manager Brian Cashman said last week "it's looking more and more like it's going to be unrealistic to see Cervelli" again this season because of finger and elbow pain. Salary lost: $140,806.

Nelson Cruz, right fielder, Texas Rangers, 50 games: The 2011 AL championship series MVP, Cruz had never previously been linked to performance-ending drugs. After his name showed up in the Miami New Times report on Biogenesis of America, attorneys for Cruz issued a statement that read, "To the extent these allegations and inferences refer to Nelson, they are denied." When Cruz reported to spring training in February he said it was "shocking" and "depressing" to see his name connected with Biogenesis. Even with the lingering questions, he became an All-Star for the second time last month. Cruz, who turned 33 on July 1, is eligible for free agency after this season. He signed a $16 million, two-year contract to avoid salary arbitration in February 2012, when the Rangers were fresh off two straight World Series appearances. He leads second-place Texas with 27 homers and 76 RBI this year. Salary lost: $2,732,240.

Fautino De Los Santos, right-handed pitcher, San Diego Padres, assigned to Double-A San Antonio, 50 games: The 27-year-old was 3-2 with a 4.32 ERA in 34 relief appearances for Oakland in 2011 and didn't have a decision while compiling a 3.00 ERA in six appearances last year, when he spent most of the season in the minors. He was traded to Milwaukee on July 29 last year, then claimed off waivers by San Diego on Feb. 6. Optioned to Triple-A Tucson (PCL), he went 0-1 with a 3.86 ERA in two relief appearances before he was released on May 15. Salary lost: $1,473.

Sergio Escalona, left-handed pitcher, Houston Astros, assigned to Double-A Corpus Christi, 50 games: Escalona was the winning pitcher in his major league debut, throwing a scoreless inning for Philadelphia in 2009. He made 49 relief appearances for the Astros in 2011, going 2-1 with a 2.93 ERA. Escalona missed the entire 2012 season while recovering from Tommy John surgery and returned this year, going 1-2 with a 6.60 ERA in 12 minor league games. Salary lost: $11,700.

Fernando Martinez, outfielder, with Houston Astros at time of violation, now New York Yankees, assigned to Triple-A Scranton/ Wilkes-Barre, 50 games: The 24-year-old has a .206 batting average, nine homers and 29 RBI in 99 major league games over five seasons with the New York Mets (2009-11) and Astros (2012-13). Sent outright to the minors in May, he was traded to the Yankees in June for minor league right-hander Charles Basford. Salary lost: $24,642.

Jesus Montero, designated hitter and catcher, Seattle Mariners, on option to Triple-A Tacoma, 50 games: The 23-year-old Montero was acquired by Seattle before the 2012 season in a trade that sent right-hander Michael Pineda to the Yankees. Montero was considered one of the top prospects in baseball after a brief stint with New York at the end of 2011. He got off to a solid start in Seattle last year, hitting .260 with 15 homers and 62 RBI. The Mariners were hoping he could take over as the team's full-time catcher this season, but that never materialized. After he was linked to Biogenesis in the offseason, Montero was not in the shape the Mariners wanted when he arrived at spring training. He played in 29 games before being demoted to the minors in late May and had barely settled in at Tacoma when he sustained a left knee injury that required surgery. He recently rejoined Tacoma after a short stint in the Arizona Rookie League. Salary lost: $79,820.

Jordan Norberto, left-handed pitcher, Oakland Athletics at time of violation, now free agent, 50 games: The 27-year-old has a 4.00 ERA in 78 games with Arizona (2010) and Oakland (2011-12). He started spring training with Oakland and was optioned to Triple-A Sacramento on March 29. He appeared in three games for the River Cats, allowing six runs and walking seven in 1 1-3 innings before being placed on the disabled list April 13 with a strained left elbow. He was released on May 8.

Jhonny Peralta, shortstop, Detroit Tigers, 50 games: The 31-year-old Peralta made his second All-Star team this year, and his absence will make things tougher for the Tigers as they try to outlast Cleveland and win their third straight AL Central title. Detroit acquired infielder Jose Iglesias from Boston in a three-team deal shortly before the trade deadline to bolster its chances in case Peralta was suspended. Peralta is set to become a free agent at the end of the season. Detroit exercised a $6 million option to keep him for 2013. He began his career with Cleveland in 2003 and played for the Indians until 2010. He is batting .305 with 11 home runs and 54 RBI. Salary lost: $1,639,344.

Cesar Puello, outfielder, New York Mets, on option to Double-A Binghamton, 50 games: The 22-year-old has been in the Mets' minor league system since 2008. Considered a top prospect, he has been on the 40-man roster since November 2011 but has not made his major league debut. He is hitting .328 with 16 homers, 73 RBI and 24 steals this season at Binghamton. Salary lost: $21,831.

Alex Rodriguez, third baseman, New York Yankees, 211 games (through 2014 season): The American League Most Valuable Player in 2003, 2005 and 2007, Rodriguez had hip surgery on Jan. 16. On the verge of returning to the Yankees last month, he was diagnosed with a strained left quadriceps July 21 that sidelined him for two more weeks. He was finally set to rejoin the team Monday following a pair of minor league rehab assignments. Rodriguez's suspension takes effect Thursday, but the 38-year-old slugger said he will appeal. That would keep him eligible to play until a decision by the arbitrator, which is not expected until the offseason. A 14-time All-Star, Rodriguez was selected by Seattle with the No. 1 pick in the 1993 amateur draft. He signed a record $252 million, 10-year contract with Texas after the 2000 season, then was traded to the Yankees in February 2004 and agreed to shift from shortstop. After exercising his right to terminate the deal, he re-signed with New York in December 2007, agreeing to a $275 million, 10-year contract that included $30 million in bonus opportunities. After failing to produce in October for much of his career, he had a huge postseason in 2009 and was a key to the Yankees' World Series title. He is fifth on the career home run list with 647, trailing Barry Bonds (762), Hank Aaron (755), Babe Ruth (714) and Willie Mays (660). His career has been slowed by six trips to the disabled list in the last six seasons, for a strained right quadriceps in 2008, right hip surgery in 2009, a strained left calf in 2010, right knee surgery in 2011, a broken left hand in 2012 and left hip surgery this year. In 2009, Rodriguez admitted using performance-enhancing drugs in 2001-03 while with Texas. After the Miami New Times story was published, Rodriguez issued a statement through spokesman Terry Fahn saying: "Alex Rodriguez was not Mr. (Anthony) Bosch's patient, he was never treated by him and he was never advised by him. The purported documents referenced in the story — at least as they relate to Alex Rodriguez — are not legitimate." Salary lost: $30 million to $33 million, if suspension lasts the full 211 games.

Jordany Valdespin, second baseman and outfielder, New York Mets, on option to Triple-A Las Vegas, 50 games: The 25-year-old Valdespin reached the majors last year and quickly showed power off the bench with a penchant for pinch-hit homers. But he's also irked teammates and opponents with his flashy antics on and off the field. Unpopular in the clubhouse, he was hitting .188 with four home runs and 16 RBI in 133 at-bats when he was demoted to Las Vegas last month. He's batting .466 with three homers and 24 RBI in 16 games at Triple-A. Salary lost: $61,773.

NOTE 1: Cruz also loses opportunity to earn $500,000 in performance bonuses based on plate appearances.

NOTE 2: Sergio Escalona, Fernando Martinez and Fautino De Los Santos have minor league contracts.

Associated Press

'Monumental day': Big leaguers react to drug bans

By Mike Fitzpatrick
Associated Press

Jim Leyland was just a minute into his pregame interview when the first — and only — question about Jhonny Peralta was asked.

That was it. Detroit's crusty manager booted all the reporters out of his office, saying they'd been told he wouldn't talk about losing his All-Star shortstop to a 50-game suspension Monday.

But while Leyland was determined to keep his thoughts to himself, other major leaguers had plenty to say after sweeping penalties in the Biogenesis drug scandal were finally handed down.

"Obviously, it's a big day and it's one of the days to be marked in baseball history — a monumental day," St. Louis Cardinals manager Mike Matheny said. "I think overall the guys are happy to see it kind of come to a head, be talked about today and get it over with, and just keep playing."

Alex Rodriguez received the harshest discipline — banned through the 2014 season by Major League Baseball. But the three-time MVP said he'll appeal, with support from the players' union. That keeps him eligible to play until a ruling by the arbitrator, which isn't expected until at least November or December.

"This is a saga, and that's the way it's always been with him," Los Angeles Angels pitcher C.J. Wilson said. "He just has one of those polarizing personalities that people are going to be drawn to. I guess people are going to find him as a villain and stuff like that no matter what he does.

"This latest chapter just gives further fuel to the fire that he's made bad decisions," the left-hander added. "It's good for the game that they're finally getting him for something. This whole thing has been going on for too long — press conferences, 'Good Morning America', '20/20' or whatever. I mean, come on. Enough of that. Let's just play some baseball and stop trying to be a role model. All those quotes (from Rodriguez), they're hilarious for everybody in our clubhouse."

Peralta was one of three 2013 All-Stars who accepted 50-game suspensions and admitted using prohibited substances. The others were Texas right fielder Nelson Cruz, also on a pennant contender, and San Diego shortstop Everth Cabrera.

"If all the allegations are true, then I'm glad they got caught and I'm glad baseball is doing something about it," Kansas City Royals reliever Aaron Crow said. "It shocks me that people try to get away with it. I guess some people think the risk is worth it. It's just unfortunate that it's still going on. Hopefully this helps."

A-Rod

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time is right, there will be an opportunity to do all of that. I don't think that time is right now."

He added: "It's been the toughest fight of my life. By any means, am I out of the woods? This is probably just phase two just starting. It's not going to get easier. It's probably going to get harder."

Rodriguez admitted four years ago that he used PEDs while with Texas from 2001-03 but has repeatedly denied using them since. His penalty was more than double the previous high for a PED suspension, a 100-game ban given last year to San Francisco pitcher Guillermo Mota for a second offense.

"What we've always fought for was for the process, and I think we have that," Rodriguez said. "At some point we'll sit in front of an arbiter and give our case."

Yankees manager Joe Girardi, minutes after losing captain Derek Jeter for the third time this year, was ready to welcome A-Rod back. "I'm not here to judge people. That's not my job," Girardi said. "He's a player as long as he's in our clubhouse."

Girardi called the suspensions "another black eye for us, but we're trying to clean this game up."

The suspensions are thought to be the most at once for off-field conduct since 1921, when Commissioner Kenesaw Mountain Landis banned eight White Sox players for life for throwing the 1919 World Series against Cincinnati: Shoeless Joe Jackson, Eddie Cicotte, Happy Felsh, Chick Gandil, Fred McMullen, Charles "Swede" Risberg, Buck Weaver and Claude "Lefty" Williams. They had been suspended by the team the previous year and were penalized by baseball even though they had been acquitted of criminal charges.

As for the modern-day All-Stars, Cruz, an outfielder, leads Texas in RBI and Peralta has been a top hitter and shortstop for Detroit, a pair of teams in the midst of pennant races. They will be eligible to return for the postseason.

Others agreeing to 50-game bans included Yankees catcher Francisco Cervelli and outfielder Fernando Martinez; Philadelphia pitcher Antonio Bastardo; Seattle catcher Jesus Montero; New York Mets infielder Jordany Valdespin and outfielder Cesar Puello; Houston pitcher Sergio Escalona; and free agent pitchers Fautino De Los Santos and Jordan Norberto.

Kimball's patience pays off with 1st win

By Will Graves
Associated Press

LEXINGTON, Ohio — Chip Ganassi had a plan. Of course he did. He always does.

When the relentless IndyCar owner hired Charlie Kimball to drive the No. 83 Honda in 2011, Ganassi did it with implicit instructions. None of those instructions included racing to win.

"He's telling you to go out and just finish the races and learn as much as possible," Kimball said. "And you get a lot of flak for not getting the results that you might expect or want to, but you're following the boss's orders."

Ganassi urged Kimball to study teammates Scott Dixon and Dario Franchitti, and stressed he would remain patient with the results so long as Kimball stuck to his end of the bargain.

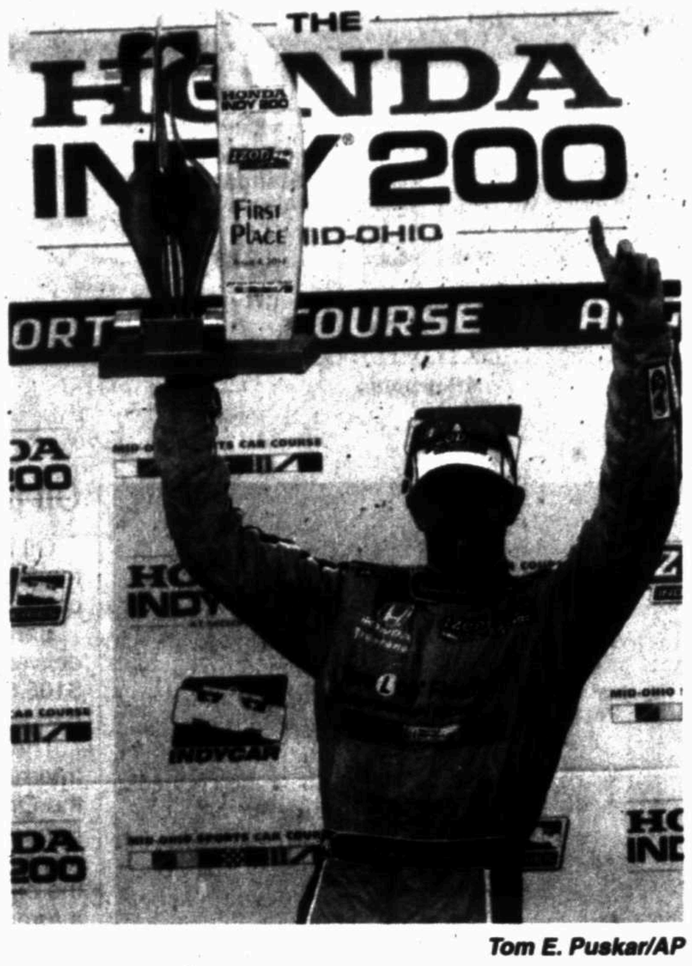
By year three, Ganassi believed Kimball would be ready to win. And as usual, Ganassi was right.

Kimball's dominating victory in the Indy 200 at Mid-Ohio on Sunday did more than allow the 28-year-old to raise a trophy for the first time in his IndyCar career. It also put to rest the notion he would spend his time at Ganassi as the program's third wheel.

Not that Franchitti needed to be convinced. The four-time series champion knows talent when he sees it. He watched Kimball's team build momentum and realized it was only a matter of time before he would find himself on the podium looking up at his teammate.

"He's smart and he's taken full advantage of the fact that he's a member of the team, the Ganassi team and all the stuff that he's got available to him, whether it's experience or the engineering group or equipment at his disposal," said Franchitti, who finished third behind Kimball and Simon Pagenaud. "He's taking full advantage of it."

The path to Victory Lane was triggered by a call early in the race to switch strategy. All three Ganassi cars tried to get through the 90-lap event needing only two pit stops. Doing it required the drivers to sip fuel rather than mash on the gas. It became evident early on the better idea would be to floor it and hope the extra time in the pits could be made up by quicker laps on the track.



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Charlie Kimball raises the first-place trophy in victory circle after winning the Honda Indy 200 at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course in Lexington, Ohio on Sunday.

It also served as an opportunity for Ganassi to "hedge" his bets, as Kimball put it. Unlike Dixon and Franchitti, who are still in the picture for the season championship, Kimball could afford to gamble. If it worked, great. If it didn't, well, he hadn't planned on celebrating at the track where he broke his hand a year ago in testing anyway.

Yet it quickly became apparent the decision to race instead of coast was the way to go. While Dixon, pole-sitter Ryan Hunter-Reay and Will Power tried to stretch their mileage like a family on their way to the beach for summer vacation, Kimball practically drove the wheels off.

The only tricky spot came with 18 laps to go when Pagenaud exited pit road with the lead. Out on the track, Kimball ate up nearly all the deficit but ended up sliding into the grass when Pagenaud cut off Kimball's initial pass attempt.

Pagenaud couldn't do it twice. Kimball zipped past Pagenaud a few moments later and won by more than five seconds.

"I said at the beginning of the year that the last couple of years, we got the experience, we built the foundation, and as a team, we are ready to win," Kimball said. "Now we just need to do it."

Kyle Petty: 'It's not our job to ask the fluff'

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Kyle Petty, the driver-turned-analyst with the unfiltered opinions, has angered someone new.

Petty didn't mean to make Denny Hamlin mad with his televised comments before Sunday's race at Pocono. Hamlin, who saw the segment on Speed, tweeted before the race "Kyle Petty is a moron," and was still venting about Petty after crashing out 14 laps into the race.

Turns out, Hamlin had every right to be upset. Petty admitted to The Associated Press on Monday he had misinterpreted previous statements made by Hamlin, and the opinion Petty presented pre-race about Hamlin was incorrect.

"If you are going to run your mouth, if you are going to dish it out, you gotta take it, and the bone of contention here is that Denny is 100 percent right," Petty said. "I can take it, I can say that I'm wrong and that I misinterpreted what Denny said."

Actually, that's not the bone of contention at all.

The issue at hand is that Petty has found his voice to be the loudest and most polarizing in a sport filled with NASCAR "partners" often too timid to ruffle any feathers. Nobody wants to land on the wrong side of a driver, a crew chief, a team owner or NASCAR itself. And with the hours upon hours of programming to fill, it's sometimes just easier to stay on good terms.

That's not who Petty is, and he'll never play that game.

He found himself in the news — breaking journalism rule No. 1 — last month when he said Danica Patrick was a marketing machine who would never be a successful driver. It's not the first time he's referred to NASCAR's darling as such, and it won't be the last.

■ COMMENTARY

For some reason, it was news — well, who are we kidding? All things Danica are news. But that's beside the point. Petty was under attack for speaking his opinion.

"Sometimes I find myself the lone dissenting voice in this sea of political correctness, and I don't think everything has to be politically correct. Facts are facts, and honestly, it's just my opinion," he said. "I don't think that any of us — me, Kyle Petty, media, the drivers, NASCAR, track owners, we aren't all right all the time. We don't all live in a utopian society where everything is perfect. There are things that need to be examined, that need to be called out, and I seem to be the only one that says it. That's the only way I've always been.

"It's just my opinion. It's just my question. Its questions that have to be asked. Just as it's their job to go out and drive the race car and do what they do, it's not our job to ask if they went fishing or went to the Bahamas and just ask the fluff. It's our responsibility to inform the fan base."

Petty believes his 53 years of knowledge and hands-on experience gives him the right to express his opinion and be a voice for the fans.

He's part of NASCAR royalty; the son of seven-time champion Richard Petty and grandson of three-time champion Lee Petty. Both are in the Hall of Fame and his uncle, Maurice Petty, will be inducted into the Hall of Fame next year.

So Kyle Petty was born into a racing family, grew up in the garage area, and gravitated into the business. He worked on cars, raced them, and moved into ownership with Petty Enterprises. His oldest son, Adam, followed him into the business, too, until his 2000 death in an accident at New Hampshire.

Sure, Kyle Petty's driving record wasn't spectacular. But 829 Sprint Cup starts over 30 seasons means the guy has seen his fair share of stuff and paid his dues.

And he's certainly entitled to speak his mind.

He doesn't think he's wrong about what he said about Patrick, although he's willing to let facts change his mind. What he's found in the world of racing, particularly in this new age of Twitter, is there's no such thing as a civil discussion.

After his comments about Patrick went mainstream, Petty said he was flooded with 250 tweets an hour for a full day. He went through them all, waiting for a reasonable argument, but only found personal attacks.

"After a full day, it was A. I have a ponytail; B. I'm a never was; C. I suck; D. I rode my dad's coattails — none of which is a valid argument," Petty said. "You can change my opinion if you have a valid argument. You can't just go junior high and go personal."

Which is why Petty, who does indeed have a ponytail, doesn't feel badly about his comments about Hamlin on Sunday.

Petty essentially said that Hamlin had gotten too brash in his comments about being the face of Joe Gibbs Racing, and should probably hang it up for the rest of the season and focus on healing his ailing back. What Hamlin had actually said was that he was the face of sponsor Fed-Ex and the No. 11 team.

Hamlin talked about Petty after his accident — because he was asked by a reporter, not because he was dwelling on Petty — and was still miffed.

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Baseball

GCM Baseball Academy
What: Professional private baseball lessons & clinics covering pitching, fielding, catching and hitting provided by three former professional players.
For: Ages 5 & up
Cost: Individual lessons $65 an hour or $40 for 30 minutes. Bulk purchases & group lesson rates available at discount.
For more info: Call (432) 425-6108

Private batting and pitching instruction
For more info: Call Danny Jordan at 230-0096 for instruction on mechanics and pitch selection in a one-on-one setting

Private hitting and catching instruction
For more info: Call Scott Chapman at 967-2364 for instruction in a one-on-one environment

Pitching, hitting and fielding lessons
For more info: Call Midland High baseball coach Barry Russell at 296-2438

Private Baseball/Softball lessons
For more info: Contact Extra Innings Midland/Odessa at (432) 617-4487 or visit www.extrainnings-midlandodessa.com

Midland Little League Umpires Needed
For more info: Contact 889-6080

Minor League Baseball scorekeepers needed
What: Baseball Ink\ 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 nRight 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.

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

Bowling

Tuesday Night Petroleum Men's League
When: Meets at 6:45 p.m.
For more info: Melton Post 684-5178 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.lonestarpokertour.net

Professional Wrestling

Old School Wrestling School
What: Professional wrestling school for all ages
Where: 404 E. 61st St., Odessa
When: 7-10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday. 2-6 p.m. Sunday
Cost: $50 down, $35 a month
For more info: Call Fred 770-7001, or Sam, 349-3055

Rugby

Midland Mad Dog Rugby Club
What: Recruiting for 2012-13 season, no experience necessary
For: Participants 16 years and older; need shorts, t-shirt or jersey, cleats or running shoes, watch
When: Practice is 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays
For more info: Go to www.maddogrugby.com

Midland Rugby (Bloodhounds) Club
For more info: Call Joshua 661-7147

HHD Dads & Lads Rugby
When: 7-8:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays
Where: Cowden Park
For more info: 212-6088

Running

Permian Basin Running Club
Cost: $20 per year for individual membership; $30 for per year for family membership
For more info: Go to www.pbrunningclub.com or email Shawn Hailey, president at 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 Tevens 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, bolt-eye rifle, high power rifle, pistol silhouette, rimfire silhouette, 3 gun, practical pistol, skeet, trap 5 state and sporting clays
When: Members can access rifle and pistol ranges from sunrise to sunset seven days a week. Shotgun ranges open 11 a.m. until dusk Wednesday to Sunday
For more info: Go to www.midlandshooters.com

Soccer

Permian Basin Soccer Association
What: Registration for women's spring/summer season
Where: Dunegan 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 wyofastpitch@gmail.com

USA Softball Jr. Men's National Fastpitch Team looking for players
For: Boys players born between 1995 and 1998
Note: No softball experience is needed
For more info: Tim Lyon, USA Jr Men's National Team coach; 801-244-7477 or Dave Parker West Texas Men's Fastpitch Association. 634-6474 or wyofastpitch@gmail.com

Swimming

COM Pre-competitive swimming
Where: Mabee Aquatic Center
Cost: $49 per month
Prerequisite: Must be able to swim 25 yards 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: 5-6 a.m., 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Cost: $40 per month (includes cardio training)
For more info: Call 684-7755

COM Diving Instruction
Who: All ages and levels invited
For more info: 684-7755

COM Learn to Dive
What: Learn basic skills for beginners then advance to pre-competitive and competitive diving that emphasize skilled diving techniques and participation in diving meets
Ages: 4 and up
For more info: 684-7755

COM Competitive Dive Team
Who: Try out for Bronze, Silver, Gold Prep or Gold levels of COM Dive Team
What: Emphasizes a 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 balls, 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.bushtennniscenter.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 687-2588 or go to www.midlandwalkabout.org

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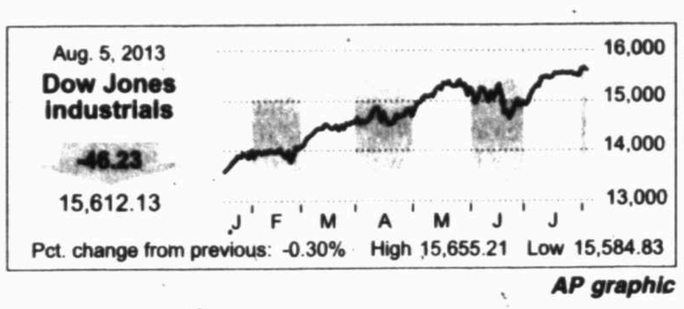

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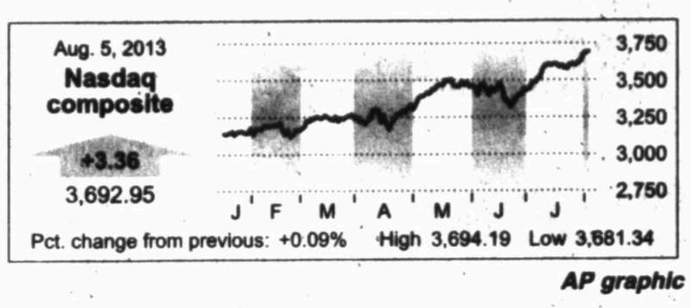

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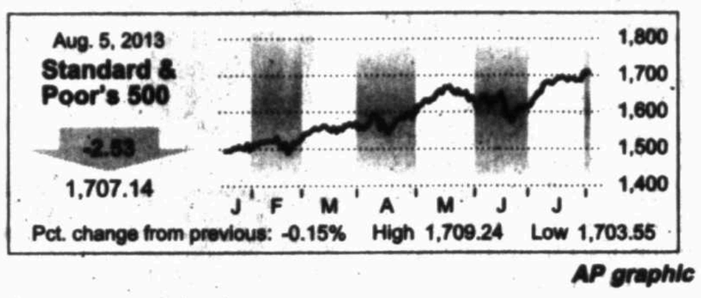

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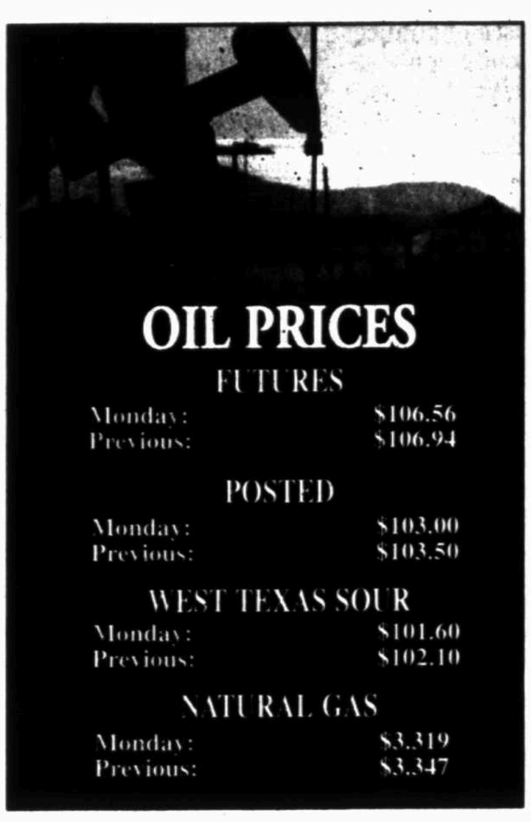

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Amazon founder and CEO Jeff Bezos speaks Sept. 6, 2012, in Santa Monica, Calif. Bezos plans to buy The Washington Post for $250 million.

Amazon.com founder to buy Washington Post for $250 million

By Ryan Nakashima
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Jeff Bezos, the Amazon.com founder who helped bring books into the digital age, is going after another pillar of "old media": the newspaper.

Amazon.com founder Jeff Bezos struck a deal Monday to buy The Washington Post and other newspapers for $250 million in a startling demonstration of how the Internet has created both winners and losers and utterly transformed the media landscape.

Bezos made his fortune by pioneering online shopping, first with books, then with just about everything else, while The Washington Post, like most newspapers, has been losing readers and advertisers to the Internet while watching its value plummet.

The newspaper, celebrated a generation ago for breaking the Watergate scandal, has been forced in recent years to scale back its ambitions, cut its newsroom staff repeatedly and close several bureaus.

Bezos, 49, is buying the paper as an individual. Amazon.com Inc. is not involved.

Washington Post chairman and CEO Donald Graham called Bezos a "uniquely good new owner." He said the decision was made after years of newspaper industry challenges. The company, which owns the Kaplan education business and several TV stations, will change its name but didn't say what the new name will be.

Bezos said in a statement that he understands the Post's "critical role" in Washington and said its values won't change.

"The paper's duty will remain to its readers and not to the private interests of its owners," Bezos said to Post employees in a letter distributed to the media. "We will continue to follow the truth wherever it leads, and we'll work hard not to make mistakes. When we do, we will own up to them quickly and completely."

Katharine Weymouth, the paper's publisher and CEO and a member of the Graham family that has owned the paper since 1933, will remain in her post. She has asked other senior managers to stay on, as well.

"Mr. Bezos knows as well as anyone the opportunities that come with revolutionary technology when we understand how to make the most of it," she said in a letter to readers. "Under his ownership and with his management savvy, we will be able to accelerate the pace and quality of innovation."

The news surprised industry observers and even the paper's employees.

"I think we're all still in shock," said Robert McCartney, the paper's Metro columnist and a 31-year veteran. "Everybody's standing around the newsroom talking about it. ... I don't think much work's getting done."

The email hit staffers' inboxes at 4:17 p.m. Eastern time. It summoned them to a meeting 13 minutes later.

Graham spoke at the staff meeting of how he has known Bezos for more than a decade, and described him as a decent and patient man, said McCartney.

Graham told the staff he is convinced that Bezos is committed to quality journalism and has no political agenda. There was sustained applause from the staff after Graham and Weymouth's remarks.

Allen & Co., which held a high-level conference for media and technology executives in Sun Valley, Idaho, last month, was named as an adviser to the deal.

Oil posts small loss

Oil fell slightly Monday as the market waited for the latest forecasts for global demand.

Benchmark crude for September delivery fell 38 cents to close at $106.56 on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

The U.S. Energy Department, the International Energy Agency and the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries all this week release their latest assessment of the energy markets, which includes a forecast for worldwide demand for oil. Analysts are anticipating some downward revisions, given a slowdown in China's economy.

"The slowed Chinese growth will be demanding of additional downward adjustments in global demand estimates by the various agencies," wrote Jim Ritterbusch, president of energy consultancy Ritterbusch and Associates, in a note to clients.

U.S. drivers saw a slight improvement at the gas pump over the weekend. The average price for a gallon of gasoline fell to $3.61 from $3.63 on Friday.

Brent crude, traded on the ICE Futures exchange in London, fell 25 cents to $108.70 per barrel.

Gold falls

Metals fell broadly on Monday.

Silver fell more than other metals.

Gold for December delivery fell $8.10 to $1,302.40 an ounce. September silver fell 19.20 cents to $19.72 an ounce.

Copper, platinum and palladium also fell.

September copper fell 0.45 cents to $3.168 a pound, October platinum fell $3.40 to $1,448.10 an ounce and September palladium fell $5.50 to $735.20 an ounce.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $54.99 Down 0.40

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $94.39 Down 0.15

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $36.81 Down 0.20

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $43.10 Up 0.45

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $26.83 Down 0.37

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $5.51 Down 0.14

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $24.98 Down 0.16

Ring Energy (RNGE)
Closing Price $11.50 Up 0.10

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
BkofAm	606606	14.80	-.04
FordM	530520	17.19	-.31
S&P500ETF	469106	170.70	-.25
iShEMkts	379838	39.46	-.25
Sprint n	305604	6.88	+.21

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
PulseEl rs	6.05	+1.44	+31.2
ChinZenix	3.04	+.44	+16.9
EnzoBio	2.53	+.31	+14.0
NQ Mobile	17.95	+2.04	+12.8
ChinaDEd	11.16	+1.20	+12.1

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
GSE Hldg	3.34	-2.16	-39.3
MV FallAn	27.25	-13.10	-32.5
NamTai	6.34	-1.11	-14.9
Dolan pfB	17.80	-2.21	-11.0
ScrippsEW	14.87	-1.82	-10.9

DIARY

Advanced	1,257
Declined	1,813
Unchanged	99
Total issues	3,169
New Highs	206
New Lows	112
Volume	2,480,769,929

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
InovioPhm	217582	3.00	+.92
Organovo	34653	4.85	+.25
AbdAsPac	32405	5.88	-.16
MeetMe	26627	1.90	+.20
ImmunoCll	24259	3.52	+.19

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
InovioPhm	3.00	+.92	+44.2
BovieMed	3.51	+.30	+9.3
Ever-Glory	3.12	+.22	+7.6
ImmunoCll	3.52	+.19	+5.7
Organovo	4.85	+.25	+5.4

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
StrPathC n	5.00	-.51	-9.3
SL Ind	29.00	-2.00	-6.5
InstFinMkts	2.23	-.14	-5.9
AbdnChile	14.23	-.80	-5.3
LGL Grp	6.17	-.32	-4.9

DIARY

Advanced	165
Declined	245
Unchanged	26
Total issues	436
New Highs	15
New Lows	27
Volume	95,618,316

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Facebook	776885	39.19	+1.14
MicronT	434042	14.17	+.67
SiriusXM	364138	3.79	-.05
BlackBerry	330381	9.58	+.66
Microsoft	300379	31.70	-.19

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Spherix rs	19.94	+9.99	+100.4
MecoxLn rs	5.40	+2.21	+69.3
Compugn	7.89	+2.43	+44.5
ChiAdCns rs	5.07	+1.45	+39.9
Stereotx rsh	9.49	+2.15	+29.3

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Kingtne rs	3.70	-1.18	-24.2
Senomyx	3.23	-.55	-14.6
InterDig	36.48	-4.06	-10.0
PrimaBio	3.00	-.29	-8.8
Prosensa n	29.30	-2.62	-8.2

DIARY

Advanced	1,424
Declined	1,061
Unchanged	110
Total issues	2,595
New Highs	233
New Lows	9
Volume	1,445,098,123

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.80	27	35.67	-.10	+5.8
Abraxas	...	...	**2.59**	**+.02**	**+18.3**
AdamsEx	**.67e**	...	**12.52**	**-.06**	**+18.2**
AMD	...	...	3.82	+.02	+59.2
AlcatelLuc	...	...	2.63	+.11	+89.2
Alcoa	.12	30	8.00	+.03	-7.8
AlonUSA	.24f	5	13.19	+.13	-27.1
AlphaNRs	...	...	5.09	+.14	-47.7
AmIntlGrp	.40	27	48.57	+.24	+37.6
Amgen	**1.88**	**18**	**107.43**	**-1.63**	**+24.6**
Anadarko	**.36**	**27**	**90.85**	**+.39**	**+22.3**
Annaly	1.80e	7	11.56	-.17	-17.7
Apache	**.80**	**13**	**82.31**	**+.31**	**+4.9**
Apple Inc	12.20	12	469.45	+6.91	-11.8
ApldMatl	**.40**	...	**16.10**	**-.22**	**+40.7**
ATMOS	**1.40**	**17**	**44.44**	**-.33**	**+26.5**
AutoData	1.74	25	71.60	+.02	+25.8
BP PLC	**2.16**	**14**	**41.97**	**+.04**	**+.8**
BabsCCInv	1.20a	...	15.65	+.08	+2.4
BakrHu	.60	21	48.03	-.39	+17.6
BkofAm	.04	26	14.80	-.04	+27.5
BarrPVix rs	...	...	14.05	-.20	-55.8
BarrickG	.20m	...	16.39	-.29	-53.2
BasicEnSv	...	...	12.19	-.14	+6.8
BerkHa A	**...**	**181773**	**300.00**	**+800.00**	**+32.3**
BerryPet	**.32**	**13**	**41.88**	**-.03**	**+24.8**
BlkHillsCp	**1.52**	**20**	**54.61**	**-.19**	**+50.3**
BlackBerry	...	...	9.58	+.66	-19.3
BostonSci	...	...	11.22	-.02	+95.8
BrMySq	**1.40**	**53**	**43.82**	**-.22**	**+35.3**
Broadcom	.44	38	27.04	+.15	-18.6
BrownFA s	**1.02a**	**27**	**73.00**	**-.32**	**+18.7**
BrownFB s	**1.02a**	**27**	**72.87**	**+.25**	**+15.2**
CSX	.60	14	25.86	-.19	+31.1
CVS Care	.90	19	61.62	-.22	+27.4
Cameron	...	19	58.06	-.85	+2.8
Caterpillar	2.40f	13	83.56	-.74	-6.8
Celestic g	...	24	10.89	+.21	+33.6
CntryLink	2.16	26	36.09	-.02	-7.7
ChesEng	.35	...	25.48	+.53	+53.3
Chevron	**4.00**	**9**	**123.99**	**-.96**	**+14.7**
Chicos	.22	16	17.53	+.20	-5.0
Cimarex	.56	20	79.09	-.67	+37.0
Cisco	.68	15	26.31	+.12	+33.9
Citigroup	.04	14	52.87	-.13	+33.6
ClayEng	...	...	**54.99**	**-.40**	**+37.5**
CocaCola s	**1.12**	**21**	**40.29**	**+.07**	**+11.1**
ColeREI n	.72f	...	11.45	+.48	+5.0
ColgPalm s	**1.36**	**25**	**60.98**	**+.45**	**+16.7**
ConAgra	**1.00**	**18**	**37.23**	**+.19**	**+26.2**
ConchoRes	...	**23**	**94.39**	**-.15**	**+17.2**
ConocoPhil	**2.76f**	**11**	**67.19**	**-.04**	**+15.9**
CrackerB	3.00f	21	101.39	+.44	+57.8
CrosTim	**1.98e**	**13**	**27.64**	**+.14**	**+2.7**
DCP Mid	2.84f	41	51.99	+.74	+24.5
DTE	2.62	19	71.05	-.59	+18.3
Dataram rs	...	...	2.99	+.01	+51.0
Dawson	...	**26**	**36.81**	**-.20**	**+39.5**
Dell Inc	.32	13	13.68	...	+34.9
Dndreon	...	...	5.23	+.63	-1.1
DevonE	**.88**	...	**56.00**	**+.04**	**+7.6**
DxGlblI rs	...	...	6.12	-.12	-88.8
Disney	**.75f**	**20**	**66.02**	**-.49**	**+32.6**
DowChm	**1.28**	**40**	**36.48**	**+.26**	**+12.8**
EMC Cp	.40	21	26.34	+.02	+4.1
EOG Res	**.75**	**57**	**154.18**	**+1.15**	**+27.6**
Elan	...	...	15.65	-.07	+53.3
EmpDist	**1.00**	**17**	**23.22**	**-.02**	**+13.9**
Energen	.58	20	66.43	+1.02	+47.3
EngyTsfr	3.58	11	50.11	+.37	+16.7
EnPro	...	**32**	**59.76**	**+.81**	**+46.1**
EntPrPt	2.72f	22	61.58	-.51	+23.0
Ericsson	.43e	...	11.92	...	+18.0
ExterranH	...	...	**32.18**	**+.18**	**+46.8**
ExxonMbl	**2.52**	**9**	**91.59**	**-.36**	**+5.8**
Facebook	...	...	39.19	+1.14	+47.2
FordM	.40	12	17.19	-.31	+32.7
ForestOil	...	15	5.08	-.06	-24.1
FrontierCm	.40	29	4.56	+.07	+6.5
FrozenFd h	...	...	**2.09**	**+.01**	**+134.8**
GATX	**1.24**	**17**	**46.82**	**-.20**	**+7.7**
GabMultT	**.80**	...	**10.02**	**+.04**	**+27.6**
GAInv	**2.00e**	...	**33.67**	**-.02**	**+21.0**
GenElec	**.76**	**18**	**24.52**	**-.18**	**+16.8**
GtPlainEn	**.87**	**16**	**24.43**	**-.17**	**+20.3**
Groupon	...	...	8.97	+.27	+84.6
HalconRes	...	43	6.02	+.01	-13.0
Hallibrtn	.50	17	46.05	-.25	+32.7
iShBrazil	1.36e	...	43.29	-.67	-22.6
iShJapan	15e	...	11.74	+.03	+20.4
iShChinaLC	.93e	...	34.67	-.30	-14.3
iShEMkts	.77e	...	39.46	-.25	-11.0
iS Eafe	1.76e	...	61.54	-.13	+8.2
iShR2K	1.75e	...	105.52	+.36	+25.1
InovioPhm	...	...	3.00	+.92	+500.0
IntegrysE	2.72	13	63.01	-.54	+20.7
Intel	**.90**	**12**	**22.92**	**-.07**	**+11.2**
InterDig	.40a	6	36.48	-4.06	-11.2
JPMorgCh	1.52f	9	56.10	-.39	+28.5
JohnJn	**2.64**	**21**	**93.80**	**-.59**	**+33.8**
KimbClk	**3.24**	**21**	**99.32**	**-.29**	**+17.6**
KindME	5.28f	30	82.82	+.84	+3.8
KindMM	5.28f	...	80.74	+.69	+7.0
LegacyRes	2.32f	23	26.83	-.37	+12.7
Lubys	...	**36**	**8.37**	**+.20**	**+25.1**
MGM Rsts	...	...	16.55	+.10	+42.2
MannKd	...	...	7.95	-.34	+244.2
MktVGold	.46e	...	25.43	-.16	-45.2
McDnlds	3.08	18	99.31	+.11	+12.6
Merck	1.72	26	48.53	-.01	+18.5
MeritMed	...	**48**	**14.01**	**+.03**	**+.8**
MexcoEn	...	...	5.51	-.14	-14.4
MicronT	...	...	14.17	+.67	+123.6
Microsoft	.92	12	31.70	-.19	+18.7
Nabors	.16	37	15.75	+.01	+9.0
NatGrid	**3.16e**	...	**60.05**	**-.03**	**+4.5**
NOilVarco	1.04f	13	71.92	-.39	+5.2
NokiaCp	...	...	4.14	+.16	+4.8
NvMAd	**.80a**	...	**12.28**	**-.14**	**-19.3**
NvPMI	**.88**	...	**12.39**	**-.10**	**-17.0**
NuvPI	**.86**	...	**12.32**	**-.10**	**-17.7**
NSTFI3	**.63a**	...	**12.65**	**-.08**	**-13.5**
NTXQI	**.70**	...	**13.78**	**-.43**	**-13.0**
OcciPet	**2.56**	**16**	**88.15**	**-.77**	**+15.1**
Oracle	.48f	15	32.78	+.21	-1.6
ParTech	...	...	**4.39**	**+.01**	**-10.4**
ParkDri	...	...	**6.36**	**+.27**	**+38.3**
PattiUTI	**.20**	**15**	**20.20**	**-.08**	**+8.4**
Penney	...	...	13.82	-.46	-29.9
PennaRE	**.72**	...	**20.51**	**+.02**	**+16.3**
Prmian	.76e	16	13.51	+.05	+10.2
Petrobras	.27e	...	13.70	-.42	-29.6
Pfizer	**.96**	**15**	**29.19**	**-.18**	**+16.4**
PioNtrl	.08	51	180.08	-1.13	+68.9
PlainsAA s	**2.35f**	**17**	**53.56**	**+.73**	**+18.4**
Potash	1.40f	11	29.51	+.60	-27.5
PwShs QQQ	.94e	...	77.02	+.05	+18.3
Praxair	**2.40**	**21**	**120.10**	**-.21**	**+9.7**
PrmEgy	...	**10**	**45.90**	**+.94**	**+99.6**
ProctGam	**2.41**	**20**	**81.40**	**+.11**	**+19.9**
PulteGrp	.20	22	16.86	-.36	-7.2
Qualcom	1.40	18	66.25	-.50	+7.1
RangeRs	.16	...	81.78	+.42	+30.2
RiteAid	...	...	3.21	-.06	+136.0
Rowan	...	24	35.04	-.34	+12.1
RoyDShllA	3.60	8	64.44	+.19	-6.5
SpdrDJIA	3.49e	...	155.79	-.41	+19.3
S&P500ETF	3.33e	...	170.70	-.25	+19.9
SabnR	3.63e	15	52.84	+.86	+32.8
SanderFm	**.68**	**31**	**74.31**	**+2.24**	**+58.3**
SandRdge	...	...	**5.82**	**+.20**	**-8.3**
Sapient	...	**31**	**13.81**	**-.10**	**+30.8**
Schlmbrg	1.25	17	82.89	...	+19.6
SigmaAld	**.86**	**22**	**84.47**	**-.49**	**+14.8**
SiriusXM	.05e	54	3.79	-.05	+31.1
Smucker	2.32f	23	114.36	+.39	+32.6
Sprint n	...	...	6.88	+.21	+24.0
SPDR Fncl	.31e	...	20.77	-.05	+26.7
Stereotx rsh	...	...	9.49	+2.15	+272.2
SunocoLog	2.40f	13	60.99	-.04	+22.6
Synovus	.04	...	3.44	-.02	+40.4
TelefEsp	...	...	**14.41**	**-.02**	**+6.8**
TeslaMot	...	...	144.68	+6.68	+327.2
Tesoro	1.00f	12	56.09	+.79	+27.3
3M Co	2.54	18	117.92	-.34	+27.0
Torchmark	**.68**	**13**	**71.83**	**-.77**	**+38.0**
TrtContl	**.71e**	...	**18.78**	**-.06**	**+17.0**
21stCFoxA	...	...	31.36	-.17	+39.2
TylerTech	...	**68**	**75.80**	**+.12**	**+56.5**
Tyson	.20	19	29.69	+1.18	+53.0
UBWV	**1.24**	**18**	**29.00**	**+.21**	**+19.1**
Vale SA	.78e	...	13.74	-.01	-34.4
ValeroE	.90f	9	35.13	+.04	+3.0
VangEmg	1.56e	...	39.50	-.30	-11.3
Vringo	...	...	3.62	+.08	+26.1
VulcanM	**.04**	...	**49.43**	**+.20**	**-5.0**
Walgrn	**1.28f**	**23**	**50.98**	**-.02**	**+37.7**
WellsFargo	1.20	12	44.34	-.15	+29.7
WstnRefin	.72f	6	30.99	+.37	+9.9
WhitingPet	...	15	52.44	-.28	+20.9
WmsCos	1.41f	40	36.19	-.03	+10.5
XcelEngy	**1.12f**	**15**	**30.07**	**-.29**	**+12.8**
Xerox	**.23**	**11**	**10.07**	**+.07**	**+47.7**
Zynga	...	...	2.94	-.06	+24.6

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15,658.43	12,471.49	Dow Jones Industrials	15,612.13	-46.23	-.30	+19.14	+19.02
6,686.86	4,838.10	Dow Jones Transportation	6,600.75	-50.94	-.77	+24.38	+29.88
537.86	435.57	Dow Jones Utilities	504.52	-3.95	-.78	+11.35	+3.11
9,695.46	7,710.83	NYSE Composite	9,671.60	-18.47	-.19	+14.54	+21.44
2,509.57	2,186.97	Amex Index	2,351.32	-12.01	-.51	- -.18	-3.10
3,689.59	2,810.80	Nasdaq Composite	3,692.95	+3.36	+.09	+22.30	+23.51
1,709.67	1,343.35	S&P 500	1,707.14	-2.53	-.15	+19.70	+22.44
18,154.69	14,036.94	Wilshire 5000	18,141.10	-13.58	-.07	+20.98	+24.94
1,060.96	763.55	Russell 2000	1,063.01	+3.15	+.30	+25.16	+33.82

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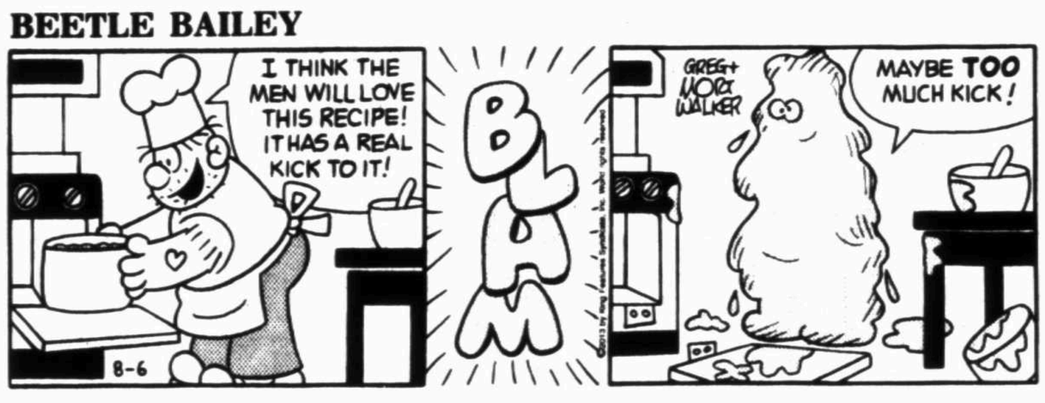

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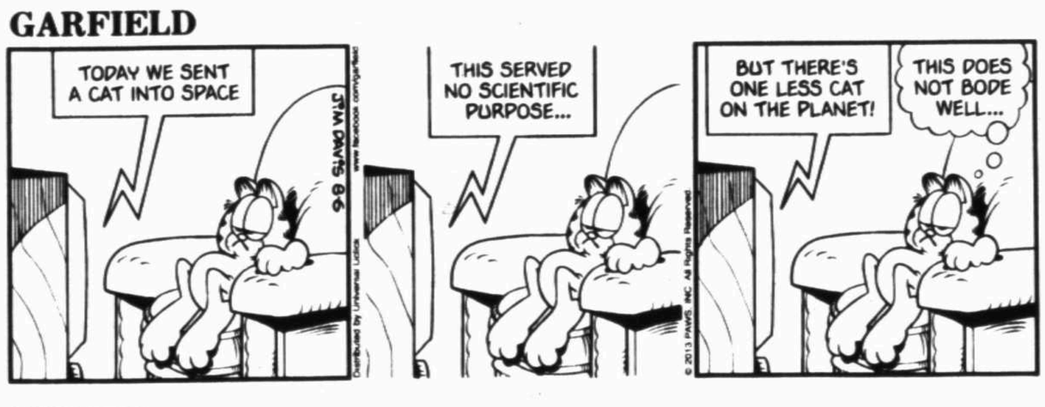

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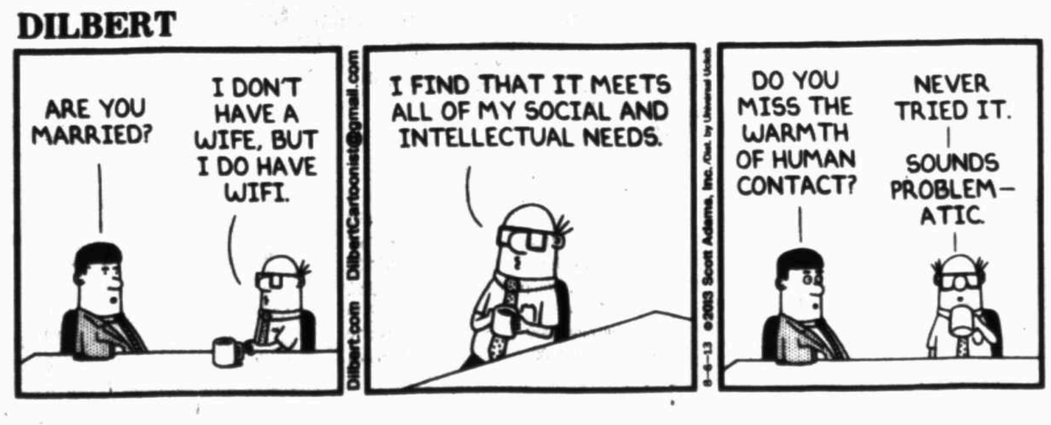

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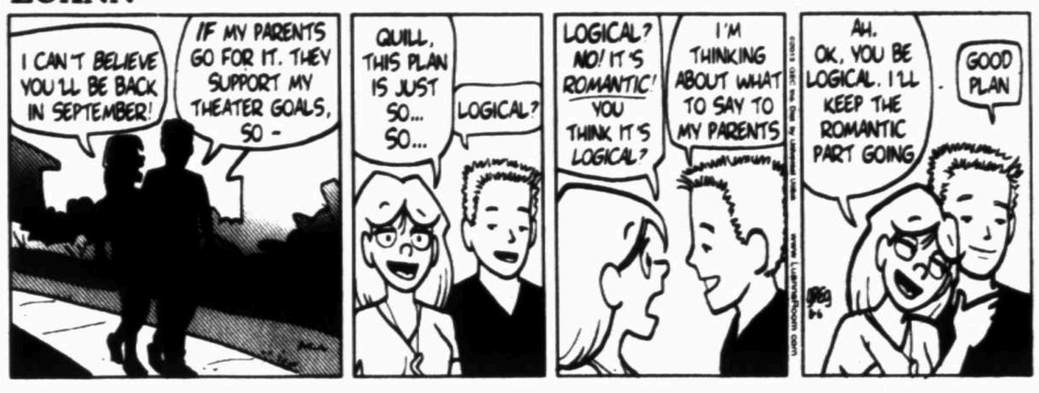

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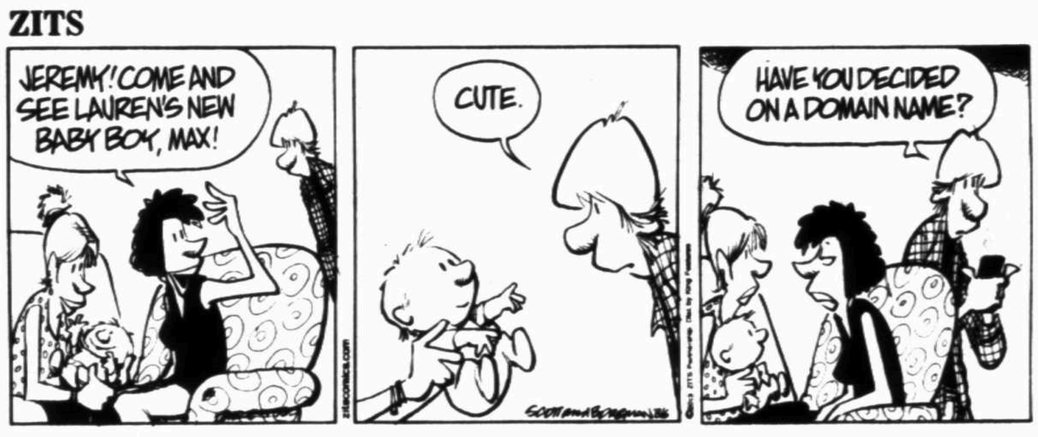

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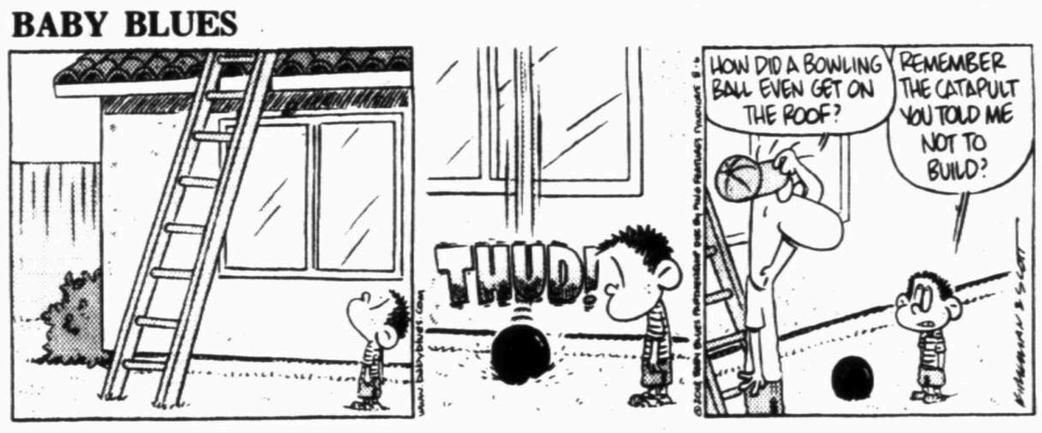

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Item	Proposal No.
Transit Management Services	#13-3201-19

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/s/ Vanessa Shrauner
Development Coordinator

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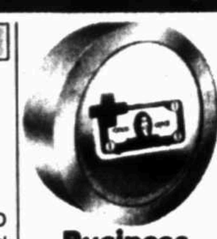

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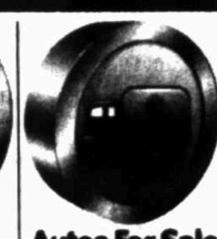

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jul 15, 2013
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Aug 19, 2013
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

Rule 38 Case No. 08-0283544
Status/Permit No. 766171

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 16, Bk. 38 T3S, T&P RR CO/ GRAY, W T Survey, A-923, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, MIDLAND County, being 14.5 miles SE direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at **(512)463-6848.**

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Aug 19, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name :	DONALD L HUTT FEE	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	136	
Lease/Unit Acres :	4228.5	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	467.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	1023.0	
Lease Lines :	660.0 F NORTH L,	467.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines :	660.0 F NORTH L,	467.0 F EAST L

As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 2 additional fields: (1) AZALEA (BEND), (2) AZALEA (STRAWN). No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for these fields.

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) :	Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres.
AZALEA (BEND) :	OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.
AZALEA (STRAWN) :	GAS Special Rules 660/2640, 320.0 acres OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 11355 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, NORMA DONOVAN, at (972) 969-3643.

Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jul 25, 2013
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Aug 29, 2013
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

Rule 38 Case No. 08-0283786
Status/Permit No. 766771

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 46, Bk. 38 T1S, T&R RR CO / WATTS, W D Survey, A-729, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, MIDLAND County, being 5.29 miles E direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at **(512) 463-6848.**

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name :	WHITFIELD	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	3	
Lease/Unit Acres :	161.6	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	512.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	1150.0	
Lease Lines :	512.0 F NORTH L,	840.0 F EAST LL
Survey Lines :	2130.0 F NORTH L,	840.0 F EAST LL

As part of this applicaiton, applicant also seeks permit authority in 2 additional fields: (1) PARSLEY (ATOKA), (2) BETTY SUE (STRAWN). No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for these fields.

Field rules for ALL fields on the permit applicaiton are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) :	Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres.
PARSLEY (ATOKA) :	OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres
BETTY SUE (STRAWN) :	OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres

This well is to be drilled toa n approximate depth of 11730 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, NORMA DONOVAN, at (972) 969-3643.

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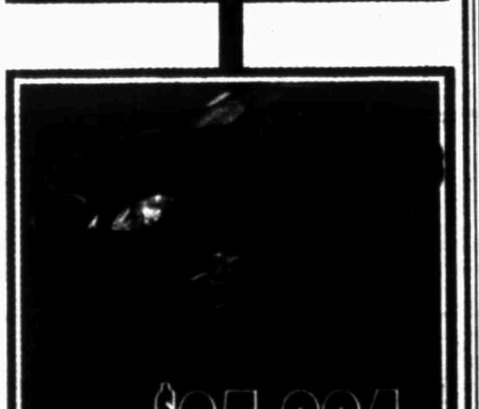

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Motorcycles

2003 HARLEY Davidson Centennial Edition Duece. Fuel injected with 10,000 garaged miles. 1 year only Gun Metal Peal paint. all the chrome and whistles you could want. $9,900.00 OBO Please call 432-557-1228.

RVs

1996 ROCKWOOD Pop Up Camper with bathroom. Includes generator. Really Clean. Leave a message. 432-770-1106

2BR/2BA MOBILE Home. $13,500 Ready to move in. 432-741-1685 Details/Pics www.angiecrowe.com

ARCTIC 2007 Fox 811 cab over camper for sale. Used 10 times, like new condition. 2500 awnan propane generator, slide out, sleeps 5, toilet and shower. Dual battery, dual 7 gallon propane tank, 8 cubic foot refrigerator/freezer, outside shower, electric jacks, heater/AC, hot water heater, $18,000. 806-368-5248.

NEW TODAY!

JAYCO 2012 25' Travel trailer. 1 full slide, 2 TV's, walk in shower, corner entertainment centers, 2 entrances, under warranty, paid $23,000. Sell $16,500 Abilene, TX 325-695-1033, 325-370-3098

LA JOYA RV spaces: County Rd 1270 & 154. $475/mo. 432-661-1180.

RVs

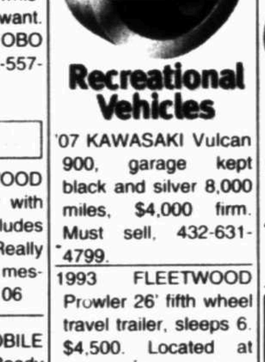
LAYTON 1983 18', cold roof air, tandem axle, sleeps 4, good tires, Fully self contained, everything works, has damage on 1 side, $3400. 817-732-8722

SANDPIPER, 1 Bd for rent, sofabed in living room, stove & refrigerator, $500 dep. + $700 mth., 806-448-8634.

Watercraft

NEW TODAY!

RANGER 2002 Bass Boat 150 Yamaha, nice boat. $10,000. Call 432-557-7674



Recreational Vehicles

MOTOR HOME for sale. '05 Winnebago, Sight Seer, workhorse chassis, 8.1 Vortec, 3 slides, low mileage Good condition! 806-544-4937 Lubbock.

MUST SELL!! 2012 willow Creek 32 ft. Travel Trailer. Super slide, bedroom slide, double A/C, W/D, electric awning, loaded, $19,500 OBO. Call 432-254-1504 or 817-501-8361

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Real Estate Rentals & Sales

Residential Rentals

Apartments for Rent Unfurnished

CARING FAMILY offering a new, cabin-style studio apartment for rent to a single, female student. Fenced in a quiet neighborhood, 3.5 mi from Midland College (9 min) and 15 mi from UTPB (19 min). Will rent for $850.00/month, $500.00 deposit, w/background check. New Whirlpool appliances, Wi-Fi, light cleaning, and utilities included. No smoking, drinking, or pets allowed. Serious inquires call (432)425-0945 to make an appointment to view it, will be available before school starts. Se habla español.

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Houses for Rent Furnished

OLD MIDLAND. 3/3 Fully Furnished Executive Home in wonderful location. 1 year lease. Contact 832-506-8450 for inquiries. for inquiries.

Residential Rentals

Houses for Rent Unfurnished

1650 SQFT. home in the Norwood neighborhood, 3/2, covered patio, double garage, storage building, new fence, $2,250/mo plus deposit, 432-520-5563 or 432-638-3377.

3BD, 2BA, 2 living, nice location. $2,000 mo. + $2,000 dep. Call 432-889-3432.

6304 CHICKASAW. 4bd/2ba, 2000 sq ft No pets, No smoking. $2000/mo. & deposit. Do not disturb renters. Call: 432-683-2243.

FOR LEASE 2608 Delano Ave. 2 bedroom 1 bath, fenced, refrigerator, stove, no smoking, no pets, background/credit check, verification of employment, $1300 security deposit, $1300/month, available August 1st, 432-222-0794 after 6pm. Serious Inquiries Only!!

FOR SALE or Lease Nice 2 Bedroom houses, $1150-$1250 Month. 432-694-9853

GREENWOOD SCHOOLS. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, exceptional, nice mobile home. 2 car carport. Smoke & Pet free environment. $1200 + $1200/deposit. Credit check & employment verification. Owner/agent, 432-638-3819 after 10am on Monday

NEW TODAY!

"Very large, nice R.V. with popouts for rent. All bills paid including internet and cable with easy access to I-20, Loop 250, and Hwy 80. $1200/mo Call 432-363-4560.

Residential Sales

Condos/ Townhouses

3200 ELMA Dr. 3 Bedroom, 3 Bath, includes washer, dryer and refrigerator. 1st / last + deposit, $2150 Month 432-230-3671 432-230-0157

Homes for Sale

1101 E CR 124, FSBO, 2503 sf, 1.28 acres, 3bd/2 ba/2 carport, LR/dining, den/office, fireplace, updated kitchen, utility room/walk-in pantry, sprinkler system, fully fenced, 30X40 shop insulated and wired, water well, 2 storage buildings $304,900 Conventional financing or cash 432-689-9643

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.

Residential Sales

Homes for Sale

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.

2705 CALDERA Dr. 3 bd/2 ba/2 car. 1901sqft., 8ft. fence, near schools, new A/C, dishwasher, disposal, fixtures & roof. Pre-approval required. $260,000. 770-0353

2801 MARIANA. 1983 Built, 3/2 2 car garage. $139,950 UP Group 432-889-2934.

3306 HAYNES. Pristine amazingly updated from roof down. 3300 + sq ft/ 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath, 2 dining, large courtyard, 2 car garage, 2 car carport, plus workshop with electricity. Owner/Agent, 432-638-3819 after 10am on Monday.

3611 BAUMANN DR Well Maintained 3/2/2 Large living with lava rock fireplace with gas logs. Nice kitchen, dining with breakfast bar, db/ closets, walk in closet in master. large back yard with storage $195K 432-218-8869

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3BEDROOM, 2BATH all electric double wide with 3outside building, 2 car garage, storm cellar, and well water. Asking $100,000. 432-813-3454

3 BEDROOM, 2 bath in Polo Park Edition. 2,078 sq ft. Recently updated. Shown by appointmet only. Call 432-528-8534

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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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Very beautiful 2 bedroom, 1 bath with loft. Log cabin nestled between, Stephenvill & Meridian on Hwy 6 Bulf 2008. 1 hour form Lake Grand Bury and Lake Proctor, barn and well house, Retired owner. $250,000. Call for info 432-288-3761

Condos/Townhouses

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Residential Sales

Homes for Sale

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.

BEAUTIFUL NEW home 4bed 2bath! For sale or lease Move in ready! $285,000. 3607 Coquina 432.661.5183 432.238.6910

FOR SALE by owner. 3004 Baybridge Ct. on Cul de sac corner lot Quality built by Mike Jackson. Like new, Gorgeous 3/2/2. 2200 sq ft. Huge kitchen, custom cabinet/island. Granite, SS appliances, and fridge. Large porcelain tile, gas log fireplace, walk in closets, plantation shutters, sky lights, sprinkler system, covered patio, house water system, and more. $284,000. Call 432-599-9044.

NEW TODAY!

FOR SALE by owner, 1812 Dukes Drive in Polo Park, 4400 sqft., 5bd, 4.5 ba, 3 car garage + 3 living areas & study, $560,000 superb, 1 owner, Mark Payne built, mature trees, new A/C, fencing, granite, paint & carpet. View by appointment only. Call 432-312-1753.

LARGE NICE 3/2 big lot, 2 out buildings, many trees/schrubs, Rankin 53 miles of Midland. No owner financing. Will consider trade for properties Best offer over $75,000. 432-693-2150 432-693-6040

OWNER FINANCING 504 Brooks 3/2 fenced 432-631-8100 or 432-266-1212

OWNER FINANCING 7305 NCR 1297 Spacious 3/2/2 built in 2011 that sits on 1.3 acres in NW Midland. Traditional or owner financing accepted. $235K Call 432-978-3742 for information.

NEW TODAY!

PRICED TO sell by owner $215,000, 1729 sqft, 3/2/2, low E windows, garage work bench, Morgan work shed, tool shed, covered patio, Pre-qualified buyers. 4501 St. Andrews Dr, Midland. 432-230-3999

REDUCED! FOR SALE by owner 4 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath, 2 living area, 2,500 sq. ft, sun room, patio, fireplace, pool, 2 car garage, car port, cellar. 2,400 sq. ft. shop, rented w/ good income. All on 11 acres fenced with horse barn & 4 water wells, 3 with pumps. 200 ECR 120. $388,000. 432-559-9665 or 432-685-0761

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SOLUTION TO MONDAY'S PUZZLE

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ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

Accounts Payable Clerk
Kelly Services now hiring Bilingual Accounts Payable Clerk, must be proficient with Quickbooks, possible temp to hire opportunity. Call 432-689-9001 or apply in person with resume 6 Desta Drive, Suite 1200, Midland, TX. Never an applicant fee. Equal opportunity employer.

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CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

FULL CHARGE BOOKKEEPER/ ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT
Full Charge Bookkeeper with a minimum 10 years experience needed for busy multiple entity office. Must have strong Excel and analytical skills, solid working knowledge of QuickBooks and exposure to oil and gas accounting software. Job includes reconciliations, receivables, payables, creating and maintaining spreadsheets. Ideal candidate should be detail oriented, organized and self-motivated with ability to manage multiple tasks. Pleasant working environment with good salary and benefit package.

Equal Opportunity employer, Non-smoking environment.

Please email resume and cover letter to: Blind.box.p110@gmail.com or mail to: P-110 c/o Midland Reporter Telegram, 201 E. Illinois, Midland, Texas 79701

Office Assistant
Oilfield Services Office Assisant needed. Computer skills, MS Office, self starter. 432-684-7373

Receptionist
Confidential FT
Receptionist needed for CPA firm. Professional appearance and telephone etiquette required. Basic computer experience preferred. Hours 8:30-5:00. Possible overtime in busy tax season. Send resumes to: courtney@dhc-cpa.net or call 432-682-0963.

SECRETARY/RECEPTIONIST
Position available. Microsoft Office skills a must. Email resume to **cswetson@wpg-us.com** or mail **P.O. Box 11186 , Midland, TX 79702**

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Heavy Equipment Operators
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Experienced Heavy Equipment Operators needed immediately for excavation contractor. Dozers, excavators, off-road articulated haul trucks. Experienced Oilers and diesel mechanics also needed for CAT heavy equipment. Call: 660-656-9506. EOE.

CUSTOMER SERVICE

Sales Reps
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Now Hiring Bilingual customer Sales Reps (English/Spanish) Apply at: (407 Andrews Hwy.) or Email Application & Resume to: krodriquez@fredloya.com Hiring for Midland pay starting at $8.00/Hr & up to $12.00/Hr within 60 Days! Experienced Personal is always Welcome.

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Seeking multi skill Craftsman for our Permian Basin gas plant in Monahans, TX. Competitive pay, annual bonus and benefits start day one! Please apply at our website and reference job # 4989 http://luminantcareers.com/

HEALTHCARE

Billing/Insurance Clerk
Billing/Insurance Clerk needed for busy Urology office. Job duties include collections from patients & insurance companies verifying eligibility & benefits for patients & pre-certification of procedures & completing FMLA forms. The successful candidate will have a high school degree. Some college is preferred, computer knowledge, good analytical skills, the ability to multi-task, affinity for detail & excellent communication skills. Some knowledge of CPT codes, ICD-9 codes & experience in medical billing is preferred. Resumes will be accepted at: 2706 West Cuthbert, Bldg. C, Midland, Tx 79701.

CNA or Nurse
Confidential FT
Need a well experienced CNA or Nurse for sitting with elderly woman. References required. Please call Yadira at: 432-741-9091 from 8am-8pm.

Receptionist
West Texas Urology FT
Receptionist needed for busy multi-physician office. Duties include: high volume telephones, posting charges and receiving payments. Bilingual required. Send resume to: 2706 West Cuthbert Bldg C, Midland TX 79701.

Registered Dental Hygienist
Dr. Sam Sowders
Growing upscale cosmetic general dental practice has the opportunity to add one more talented Registered Dental Hygienist. We have state of the art equipment and an excellent working environment. If you have the desire to become a member of our team please send resume to:
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House Keeping
Midland's Premier Country Club FT
Has openings for **House Keeping** 10am-6pm, with weekends. *We hire attitude and personality over experience.* In addition to competitive wages we offer paid medical and 401K. Please apply in person Midland Country Club, 6101 Hwy 349, Midland, TX 79705.

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All Positions
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Midland, TX 79701
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OTHER JOBS

All Positions
QSN Realty: Restaurant Staff all positions. Bartender, Waitstaff, Office Managers, HVAC Tech. Please apply in person at 3100 W. Wall.

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Wood's Boots FT
Midland, TX 79701
Assistant Manager & Sales Associate positions available at Wood's Boots. Best customers & best hours in retail. Plus you get to wear boots & jeans. Come talk to us! 4803 Andrews Hwy & 812 West I-20 in Midland.

Available Openings
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 jpoemantur@yihoospitality.com

Available Openings
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.

Carpenters/Mudman/Painters
HYGEAR CONSTRUCTION LLC FT
Now Hiring Carpenters, experienced mudman and painters.
Call 432-685-9197 leave message.

Construction Assistant
Kahler Homes FT/PT
Midland, TX 79707
Construction Assistant needed Full or Part-time. Clear driving record required. Email resumes to: helen@kahlerhomes.com or fax 432-686-0753.

Experienced Survey Techs
Topographic Land Surveyors: Survey Techs needed to join our office staff in Midland. Must have good communication and management skills and the ability to use Carlson with an AutoCad engine. Field experience a plus. Salary DOE. Must be able to pass a drug screen, benefits available upon 90 probationary period. Apply at: 2903 North Big Spring St., Midland, Tx 79705.

Maintenance Worker
First United Methodist Church FT/PT
Must have skills and knowledge of electrical, plumbing, and HVAC, and be able to lift 50 pounds daily. Pay determined on experience and qualifications. Please apply in person at First United Methodist Church, 300 N. Main Street, Midland, Texas. Drug tests performed randomly. No phone calls please.

The Midland Reporter Telegram has an opening in its Production Department for the position of:

Pressman/Pressman Trainee

for our Harris N 1650 Printing presses. This 5 -6 day per week, fast paced, deadline oriented position, requires: night shift weekend work, with a strong emphasis on safety. The Midland Reporter Telegram offers a full package of company benefits including 401K program. Salary DOE.

Send resume and salary requirements to
John Maddox, Production Director
c/o Midland Reporter Telegram
201 E. Illinois St., Midland, TX 79701
E-mail: jmaddox@hearstnp.com
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Dismas Charities FT/PT
Midland, TX 79701
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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 atmoshpeer. We are looking for you. We are currently accepting resumes or applications for a New Mexico PLS survey drafting technician. Survey Party Chief and field help. Please email your resume to Alexisyatwtcengenieering .com or Mail it to 405 SW 1st St. Andrews, Texas 79714

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.

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

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: **caesie@clearwire.net**. Senior citizens & stay at home moms always welcome. EOE

Great Western Dining at Midland College

Now Hiring!!!

Full & Part Time All Positions
Will Train!!
Apply at the Jack E. Brown Dining Hall
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Dining Services Staff
Midland's Premier Country Club FT
is looking for Line Cooks. ***We hire attitude and personality over experience.*** **Position is full-time. In addition to competitive wages we offer paid medical and 401k. Please apply in person: Midland Country Club, 6101 N. Hwy 349, Midland, TX 79705.**

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

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Servers and Cooks
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

SALES JOBS

Apprentice
Peerless Tyre Company FT
Do you have the desire to make an above average income? Peerless Tyre Co. is now hiring for an Apprentice. Person should have previous sales experience or tire experience but not necessary. Person must be over 18 years of age, possess a valid driver's license and pass a pre-employment drug screen and background check. Starting $12/hour or depending on experience. Apply 2804 W. Wall, Midland or 3401 Andrews Hwy, Odessa.

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:
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1000 Andrews Hwy
Midland, TX 79701
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Jack's Convenience Stores

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.

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Auto Body Man, Estimators, Painter & Helpers
Triple A & J Collision FT
Triple A&J Collision is seeking a Body Man, Estimator, Painters and Helpers. Estimator must have 4 yrs experience. Body man must have 2 1/2 year experience. Helpers must have 1 year experience. Apply in person at : 610 W. Florida. Midland TX 79701 or 432-620-8630

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Immediate opening for an Electrician Apprentice. Sign-on bonus.
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Electricians
Confidential FT
Midland, TX 79701
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Framers and Drywall Hangers
Anderson Construction FT
Framers and Drywall Hangers needed. Call 432-561-5880

Journeyman/Electrician
Apple Electrical Contractors, Inc. FT
Odessa, Tx 79765
Apple Electrical Contactors, Inc. has immediate openings for Journeyman Electricians with industrial experience in the oil & gas industry. Pre-employment drug testing & a valid drivers license are required. Email resumes to: alan@appleelectric.com or fax to 432-363-0192 or come in to fill out application at: 7540 Andrews Hwy in Odessa. No phone calls please.

Journeyman Plumber
Superior Plumbing FT
Journeyman Plumber needed for new commercial. Join our growing company. Please call Superior Plumbing 432-687-5905

Maintenance Technician
Clusters Apartment FT
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Midland, TX 79707
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Western Auto FT
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Metal Building Workers
RRR Construction FT/PT
Pay based on experience. Call 325-514-7336
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- Master Electrician License required
- Experience in Oilfeild Electrical Service - 5+ years
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CDL required for all positions, DOT regulated.
Offer great benefits with matching 401K.
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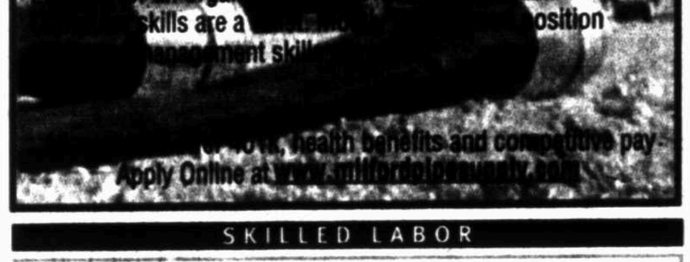

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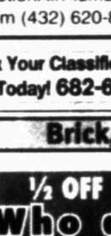

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In this photo made available by David A. Burnham via the National Academy of Sciences, researchers Robert A. DePalma II, left, and David A. Burnham show a Tyrannosaurus rex tooth crown embedded between the vertebrae of a hadrosaur and surrounded by bone overgrowth. That regrowth shows the duckbill was alive and not just a carcass when it met the T. rex, so the fossil provides definitive evidence that T. rex hunted live animals, researchers said in the July 15 issue of the Proceedings of the National Academy of Science.

MOREEVIDENCE

New evidence shows T. rex was a hunter

By Malcolm Ritter
Associated Press

NEW YORK —

The fearsome bite of a hungry Tyrannosaurus rex left behind new evidence that the famous beast hunted for food and wasn't just a scavenger.

Researchers found a part of a T. rex tooth wedged between two tailbones of a duckbill dinosaur unearthed in northwestern South Dakota. The tooth was partially enclosed by regrown bone, indicating the smaller duckbill had escaped from the T. rex and lived for months or years afterward.

Since the duckbill was alive and not just a carcass when it met the T. rex, the fossil provides definitive evidence that T. rex hunted live animals, researchers said in a recent issue of the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

The fossil, from around 67 million years ago, indicates the T. rex bit the duckbill from behind and "intended to take it for a meal," said David Burnham of the University of Kansas, an author of the report.

It's not clear whether there was a chase involved, he said.

Experts who didn't participate in the study said there was already ample evidence that T. rex went after live animals as well as scavenging carcasses. It brought a bone-shattering bite and teeth up to a foot long to each task.

The new fossil is the first to include a T. rex tooth embedded in the bones of its prey, giving "extremely strong physical evidence that the attacker was a tyrannosaur," said Thomas Holtz Jr., of the University of Maryland.

"It's one other bit of evidence (for hunting) fully consistent with the other data already established from lots and lots of lines of evidence," Holtz said.

You might think a T. rex would take down anything in sight, but Jack Horner of Montana State University said it apparently preyed on the weak, the sick and the young instead.

It makes sense that T. rex also scavenged, said Kenneth Carpenter, curator of paleontology at the Utah State University East Prehistoric Museum.

"If there's a free meal, why not?" he asked. But decay can make carcasses toxic after a while, he said, and "at that point, T. rex is going to have no choice but to hunt."

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A. No. Yes. No. Next question.

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When you say web graphics, I am going to include illustrations, icons, logos, photos and other artwork. These are browser-friendly files that have extensions like .jpg, .gif, .png, and .bmp. Review www.quackit.com/web_graphics for a quick tutorial on the subject.

Ask the PropellerHeads

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Computer graphics is a big business. Companies employ graphic artists to design, develop and refine graphics using programs like Illustrator, Photoshop, and many others. Many consider these exciting, high-impact graphics a source of appeal for their sites and would consider copying them stealing. There are many companies that are in the business of building graphics and they sell the right to use them to site developers. Again, they would frown upon uncontrolled (i.e., uncompensated) distribution.

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Alternatively, there are literally thousands of free graphics for the taking. You might want to check out free-graphics.com or internetclipart.com or bit.ly/TxRmHr.

Lastly, consider building your own. With the help of some pretty nifty free programs like Gimp, Paint.Net and PhoXo (bit.ly/XQV5AZ), you could be drawing animated GIFs or touching up your family pics in no time. But…don't be surprised if you see something you created on someone else's website.

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