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The West Texas Food Bank announced its participants of the first annual Permian Basin Restaurant Week on Thursday.

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RSP Permian: Rising demand will boost prices

'Three years from now, we'll be glad for every barrel available'

By Mella McEwen
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The chief executive officer of RSP Permian recently recalled how the Barnett Shale and Eagle Ford were going strong about 15 years ago.

Steve Gray, addressing the Society of Petroleum Engineer's Liquids Rich Basins Conference-North America, also recalled that at that sametime, an engineer told him, "Those molecules won't move through that shale," which drew a chuckle from his audience at the Petroleum Club on Thursday.

Oil Report

Workshop drills down into how to best develop Shale Energy

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Gray recounted how production in the Permian increased steadily from the 1920s into the 1950s, reaching 1 million barrels a day in 1958 before peaking in the early 1970s and entering a 30-year decline.

During those 30 years, he said new technology was developed — from waterfloods to carbon dioxide floods to 3-D seismic — but that new technology only caused blips in the Permian decline curve.

Then in 2008 and 2009, Permian production began a significant turnaround.

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CELEBRATING DIEZ Y SEIS

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Annual Diez y Seis Parade hosted by the Hispanic Cultural Center of Midland was held Saturday.

Midland unemployment rate unchanged as market stays stable

By Mella McEwen
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With summer drawing to a close and the school year approaching, Midland's labor market stabilized in August.

Figures from the Texas Workforce Commission on Friday showed Midland's unemployment rate was unchanged at 3.2 percent and down from 4.7 percent last August. Despite being unchanged, Midland reported the second lowest unemployment in the state, just behind Amarillo's 3.1 percent.

Odessa reported a 4.3 percent rate in August, up marginally from 4.2 percent in July and well below the 7 percent reported last August.

"We're doing well across the Basin," said Willie Taylor, chief executive officer of the commission's Workforce Solutions Permian Basin. "It's a good report. We see a lot of stability in the region and I love that."

He said the continued stability in terms of industry composition, labor force and wages is serving as a drawing

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Midland, Odessa economic recovery gathers steam

By Mella McEwen
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Consumer spending, real estate and even outside revenues are helping the Midland-Odessa economic recovery gain momentum.

Karr Ingham, the Amarillo economist who prepares the Midland-Odessa Regional Economic Index for the Midland Development Corp., said virtually every component of the index showed impressive year-over-year gains in July, as the recovery entered its ninth month.

Recovery was originally fueled by recovery in the area's dominant oil and gas industry as crude prices rose. But, noting that crude prices have flattened and have been unable to remain above $50 a barrel, "there's every possibility that the general index will level off if oil prices don't go any higher than they are right now. But those prices have been really stimulative so far," he said.

The July index not only rose sharply from June levels but came in 4.4 percent above July 2016 figures, Ingham reported.

One of the most significant indicators, employment, continued to improve, with July employment up about 3,500 jobs or 2.3 percent from last July. The unemployment rate sank 38.7 percent to average 3.7 percent, down from 6 percent last July.

In Midland, employment rose 2,300 jobs or 2.7 percent from July 2016 while the unemployment rate fell 34.7 percent to average 3.2 percent, down from 4.9 percent a year earlier.

Ingham said he feels employment growth in Midland-Odessa is actually

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Melanie Nicholas

Favorite book brings back memories, helps create new ones

Read the column on Page 1B.

The big number

More than **155** thousand dollars is the annual salary of High School football coach Hank Carter. Page 8A

Word of the Day: andragogy

Do you know what it means? Find out the definition on Page 3A

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'And then there was Irma...'

THE ECONOMIST

By M. Ray Perryman

For the first time in history, two category 4 hurricanes have hit the United States in a single year. In fact, the U.S. dealt with these two major storms in only a little over two weeks. Thanks to a slight change in the path of Irma, damages estimates were lowered substantially from the initial projections, but wind and flooding have destroyed homes and commercial buildings. Although the primary focus is appropriately on the tragic loss of life and huge emotional toll, the economic fallout from Irma will also be felt across the nation.

Millions of people in Florida remain without power as I write this, with up to 10 more days estimated before power is fully restored. The state's large tourism industry has been temporarily shut down, and major crops such as oranges are threatened. Damage estimates are coming in at around $50 billion-$100 billion, a fraction of what they might have been if the storm's path had caused a more direct hit on the Miami area.

As I've mentioned in prior columns, the damages are only part of the economic story. There will also be costs such as lost productivity and lasting fallout for businesses, as well as additional business activity during the recovery phase for rebuilding and replacing damaged items.

We again used our US Multi-Regional Impact Assessment System and our econometric models to measure the dynamic effects of Hurricane Irma to translate estimated property losses into likely long-term decreases in business activity (including the offsetting net effects of the subsequent rebuilding activity and the best information available regarding insurance coverage).

Based on our models and current property damage estimates, when multiplier effects and the various positive and negative aspects of the economics of the storm are considered, the net impact of Hurricane Irma could include losses to the U.S. economy (which would be observed over an extended period of time) of $76.2 billion in real gross domestic product (constant 2009 dollars), $50.5 billion in real personal income, and about 553.7 thousand person-years of employment.

For Florida, we estimated Hurricane Irma will result in losses of $58.6 billion in real gross state product, $38.7 billion in real personal income, and 409.9 thousand job years when multiplier effects are considered.

We had previously estimated the economic impact from Hurricane Harvey and have now updated those values based on more recent property damage estimates. The losses to the U.S. economy over the next few years include $151.1 billion in real gross domestic product (constant 2009 dollars), $100 billion in real personal income, and 1.1 million person-years of employment. The bulk of the impact falls on Texas and Louisiana, with Texas seeing losses projected at $114.9 billion in real gross state product, $76.1 billion in real personal income, and 804.1 thousand job years. The losses in Louisiana over time are estimated at $9.1 billion in real gross state product, $6 billion in real personal income, and 63.3 thousand job years.

The combined impact of Hurricane Harvey and Hurricane Irma on the U.S. economy over the next several years is estimated to be a $227.3 billion reduction in real gross domestic product, $150.4 billion in lost real personal income, and a loss of 1.6 million job years of employment (including multiplier effects).

The economic fallout from Hurricanes Irma and Harvey will continue for years. Even so, recovery is already underway, with much of Florida's tourism and Texas' energy sector expected to be back up and running in just weeks. In fact, a number of Texas refineries are already back online. I expect a full recovery for the economies of both Texas and Florida over time, though the human costs and emotional toll of these massive storms will remain with us much longer.

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What you should know about Equifax's data breach

BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU

As much as technology can connect us and make our lives easier, it can also make us more vulnerable to thieves. If you have a credit report, chances are you are one of 143 million American consumers who have been affected by the recent data breach at Equifax, one of the nation's three major credit reporting agencies.

According to the Federal Trade Commission, the breach lasted from mid-May through July. It exposed personal information for nearly half of all Americans including Social Security numbers, addresses, birth date and credit card numbers. The hackers also stole credit card numbers for about 209,000 people and dispute documents with personal identifying information for about 182,000 people.

Equifax is alerting consumers whose information has been breached through email. It is also working with state and federal authorities.

Additionally, Equifax has launched a website called equifaxsecurity2017.com to alert consumers if their information was exposed. Users must enter their last name and last six digits of their Social Security number to be notified if they were affected by the breach.

BBB advises you to take the following additional steps to help protect your information:

■ Monitor your accounts regularly. Check every charge on your statements. Scammers often test cards with smaller charges before racking up large bills. Confirm each charge on your account line by line.

■ Get a security freeze on your credit reports. A freeze will put your information on lockdown, meaning the credit bureaus can't give it out without your permission making it more difficult for an identity thief to open an account in your name. A security freeze will not impact your credit score or impair your ability to use your existing credit cards. To be effective, a freeze must be set up with all three credit bureaus: Experian, Transunion and Equifax.

■ Enroll in free identity protection services. Whether or not you were affected, U.S. consumers are eligible to receive a year of free credit monitoring and other services. Visit equifaxsecurity2017.com to enroll. You have until November 21, 2017.

■ Check your credit report. Any accounts or activity you don't recognize could be an indicator of identity theft. Remember, you are entitled to one free report from each credit reporting agency annually. To see your report, visit annualcreditreport.com.

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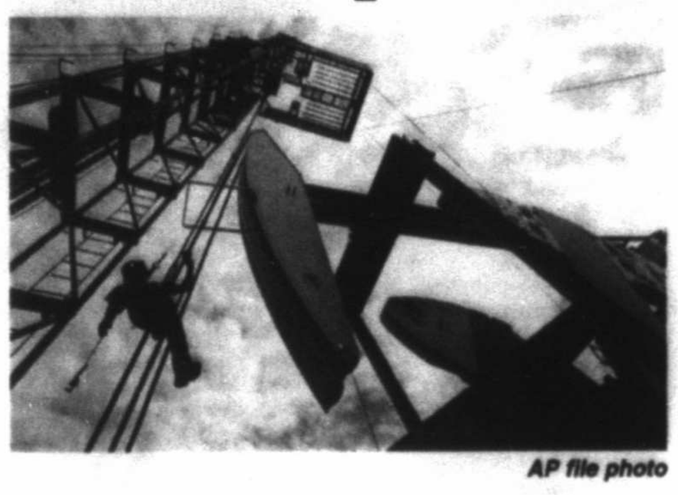
Hoeven, industry want study of North Dakota oil potential

By James Macpherson
Associated Press



AP file photo

Ben Shaw hangs from an oil derrick July 26, 2011 outside of Williston, N.D.

BISMARCK, N.D. — North Dakota oil drillers and U.S. Sen. John Hoeven want federal geologists to reevaluate the amount of recoverable crude oil in the state, saying a new assessment likely would show stronger production potential and attract investment.

The U.S. Geological Survey once said two massive shale formations found in North Dakota held the largest continuous oil accumulation it ever assessed. But the title was given to a formation in Texas' Permian Basin last year, after a USGS assessment found nearly three times the amount of recoverable oil than in the Bakken and Three Forks formations.

Hoeven now wants the USGS to take into account other formations in western North Dakota's oil patch that could be exploited using technology developed for the Bakken and the Three Forks directly below it.

"The industry wants a broader study," the North Dakota Republican said. "The industry feels it will show a larger resource if the other formations are included." Hoeven said top officials at the USGS have given assurances that the study would be done, though it could take "a year or two" to begin.

USGS spokesman Dave Ozman said he was aware of the request but no formal decision has been made to do a new assessment.

North Dakota geologists say nearly 20 different geologic formations have been tapped in the state since oil was first brought to the surface 66 years ago. The Bakken and Three Forks, which only have been tapped in the last decade using hydraulic fracturing, now account for 95 percent all of North Dakota's more than million-barrel-per-day oil production, ranking it second behind Texas.

Know-how gained from the Bakken and Three Forks is being tested on other formations in the state and it has been successfully applied elsewhere, creating a rivalry for drilling rigs and investment.

Ron Ness, president of the North Dakota Petroleum Council, said investment dollars have dropped in the state as companies and investors have more options.

"We've certainly seen a lot of competition from other oil shales," said Ness, whose group represents more than 500 companies working in the state's oil patch.

Ness said a new assessment that would consider underdeveloped formations would give a more accurate picture of the state's oil capability.

"Having the best information available would do a lot for development and reaffirm and show the potential," he said. The Bakken formation encompasses some 25,000 square miles within the Williston Basin. About two-thirds of the acreage is in western North Dakota, where the oil is trapped in a thin layer of dense rock nearly 2 miles beneath the surface. The Three Forks formation underlies most of the Bakken.

In 2013, the USGS released data that showed 7.4 billion barrels of oil could be recovered from the Bakken and Three Forks spanning parts of North Dakota and parts of Montana, nearly double the amount the agency previously estimated for the region in 2008.

The USGS's study last year found Wolfcamp shale, located in the Midland Basin portion of Texas' Permian Basin, contains 20 billion barrels of recoverable oil.

Billionaire oilman Harold Hamm, chairman and chief executive officer of Oklahoma City-based Continental Resources Inc., has long said that government estimates of recoverable oil in the Bakken and Three Forks formations are too conservative.

Hamm, whose company is one of the oldest and biggest operators in North Dakota, has for years maintained the Bakken and Three Forks alone hold more than 20 billion barrels of recoverable oil, which would rival new the federal estimate for the Texas formation.

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card, bringing in workers from outside the area.

Taylor also said indications are more people are going back to work.

"And if they're not working, we want them in training," he said. "I can't emphasize enough the importance of skill sets. Industry is constantly changing, improving its technology and when industry improves its technology, workers need to improve their skill sets."

If the area colleges report record enrollment as expected, he said that would be very good news.

"As long as the colleges are seeing strong enrollment, that maintains the feeder system for our workforce," he said.

The civilian labor force held relatively stable at just over 86,300, down from 86,800 in July. Taylor attributed that drop to seasonal trends, primarily students returning to college.

Midland added 100 jobs from July to August, as 100-job gains in the mining, logging and construction sector, the trade, transportation and utilities sector and the professional and business services sector were offset by the loss of 200 jobs in the government sector.

For the 12 months from August 2016 to August 2017, Midland added 1,800 jobs for a growth rate of 2.1 percent. Midland's dominant sector, the mining, logging and construction sector, added 1,900 jobs, followed by government with 300 new jobs, the other services sector with 200 jobs and manufacturing with 100 new jobs. Those gains were offset by the loss of 300 jobs in the education and health services sector, 200 jobs in the trade, transportation and Utilities sector and 100 jobs each in the professional and business services and the leisure and hospitality sectors.

Statewide, the unemployment rate was 4.2 percent, down from 4.3 percent in July and the fourth consecutive monthly decline.

The state marked 14 consecutive months of economic growth, adding 5,500 jobs in August and 298,600 jobs over the last year, the commission reported.

While Amarillo reported the lowest unemployment at 3.1 percent, the highest was in McAllen-Edinburg-Misson at 8 percent.

Unemployment statistics

Midland unemployment

January 2017	4.1 percent
January 2016	4 percent
February 2017	4.2 percent
February 2016	4.2 percent
March 2017	4 percent
March 2016	4.4 percent
April 2017	3.5 percent
April 2016	4.5 percent
May 2017	3.4 percent
May 2016	4.5 percent
June 2017	3.5 percent
June 2016	5 percent
July 2017	3.2 percent
July 2016	4.9 percent
August 2017	3.2 percent
August 2016	4.7 percent

Preliminary numbers for August with July numbers in parentheses:

Amarillo	3.1 (3.2)
Midland	3.2 (3.2)
Austin-Round Rock	3.4 (3.2)
College Station-Bryan	3.6 (3.5)
Lubbock	3.6 (3.6)
San Antonio-New Braunfels	3.7 (3.7)
Sherman-Denison	3.7 (3.5)
San Angelo	3.8 (3.9)
Dallas-Plano-Irving	3.9 (3.7)
Fort Worth-Arlington	3.9 (3.8)
Wichita Falls	3.9 (3.9)
Abilene	4.1 (4.0)
Tyler	4.1 (3.9)
Killeen-Temple	4.2 (4.1)
Odessa	4.3 (4.2)
Laredo	4.4 (4.2)
Waco	4.5 (4.4)
Texarkana	4.7 (4.7)
El Paso	4.8 (4.6)
Victoria	4.8 (4.7)
Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land	5.2 (4.9)
Longview	5.2 (5.1)
Corpus Christi	5.8 (5.5)
Beaumont-Port Arthur	7.2 (7.0)
Brownsville-Harlingen	7.3 (7.0)
McAllen-Edinburg-Mission	8.0 (7.6)

BUILDINGPERMITS

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4511 N. Midkiff Road	Commercial Alteration
3112 W. Front St.	New Commercial
1806 Rankin Highway	New Commercial
3001 W. Loop 250 N.	Commercial Addition
201 W. Estes Ave.	Fence
2609 Camarie Ave.	Swimming Pool
2502 Bedford Drive	Swimming Pool
908 S. Baird St.	New Residence
906 Calumet St.	New Residence
6905 Sheppard Court	Residence-Detached
408 S. Dallas St.	New Residence
2613 W. Loop 250 N.	Sign
3504 W. Wall St.	Sign
3205 W. Cuthbert Ave.	Sign

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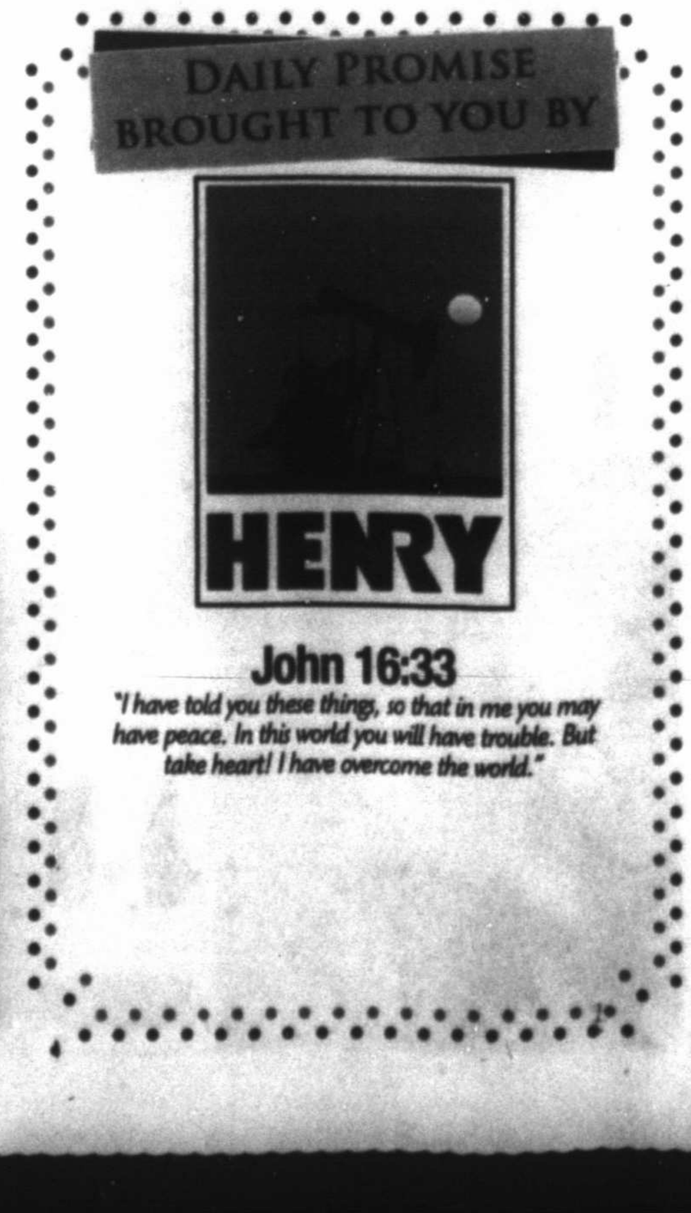

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noun
1. the methods or techniques used to teach adults.

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Things to do

Today

■ The 27th Annual High Sky Wing AirSho, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., High Sky Wing, 9612 Wright Drive. Will feature the U.S. Navy TAC DEMO Team, Trojan Horsemen, T-28s, World War II reenactments and more. $20-$50. Airsho.org.

■ The 21st Annual Trio of Gardens, 1-4 p.m., 1501 Douglas, 1607 Country Club, and 205 Club Drive. $12 advance, $15 door. trioofgardens.com.

■ TCM Big Screen Classics: "E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial" 35th Anniversary Event, 2 and 7 p.m., Tall City Stadium 14, 4915 S.W. Loop 250 N. $13.53. Fathomevents.com.

■ Bridge game play, 1:30 p.m., Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. $6. For more information call 682-6595.

■ Hunger Action Month: West Texas Food Bank CycleGiving Ride, 3:30 p.m., CycleBar, 3415 N. Loop 250 W. $25. wtxfoodbank.org.

■ Old Miner's Maze interactive adventure, noon to 6 p.m., 4305 N. County Road 1140. oldminersmaze.com.

■ Bingo Nights, 7 p.m., American Legion, 501 Veterans Airpark Lane. 682-5511.

■ The Commodores, 8 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $45 to $69.50. Wagnernoel.com.

Monday

Project Literacy: R.L. Stine, author of "Goosebumps," and Brendan Wenzel, author of "They All Saw a Cat," will sign books and hold a Q&A, 4:30 p.m., Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N. Carnival games and a screening of the film "Goosebumps" will also be part of the event.

MIGHTY REBEL BAND

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Lee band members play during the football game against El Paso El Dorado on Friday at Grande Communications Stadium.

The St. Ann's Family Fair
Sept. 28th – Oct. 1st
For all the Fair & Carnival information go to:
www.stannsfair.org

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 1-4-4
Pick 3 day: 1-4-8
Pick 3 evening: 6-6-9
Pick 3 night: 1-7-7
Daily 4 morning: 1-0-8-6
Daily 4 day: 1-1-6-3
Daily 4 evening: 6-1-0-1
Daily 4 night: 1-0-7-1
Cash Five: 1-5-6-21-33
Triple Chance: 3-4-5-13-28-41-43-44-46-49
LottoTexas: 4-9-18-36-40-41
Powerball: 17-18-24-25-31
BB: 24 **Power Play:** 2
All or Nothing morning: 3-4-8-7-10-11-12-14-17-20-23-24
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All or Nothing night: 2-3-5-7-8-9-10-12-13-18-20-22

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Weather

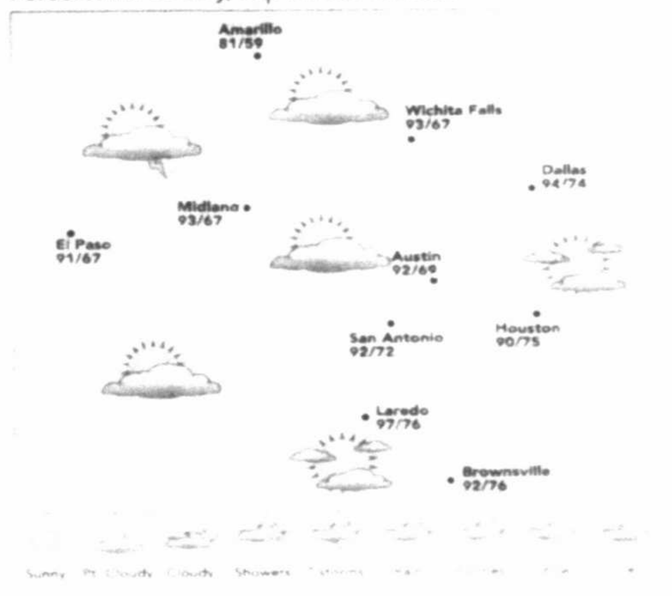
Saturday's temperatures
High 94
Low 76
Normal high 87
Normal low 62

Sept. 16's records
Record high: 99 set in 1965 and equaled in 1997
Record low: 49 set in 1993

Precipitation
Friday ..... 0.03 in.
Saturday ..... 0.00 in.
Month total ..... 0.03 in.
Year total ..... 12.77 in.
Normal total (year to date) ..... 10.78 in.

Winds
Average: 11.9 mph
Highest sustained: 18 mph
Highest gust: 30 mph

Today's forecast
High: 91



Low: 70
Conditions: Mostly sunny during the day/partly cloudy at night
Winds: 5-15 mph during the day and night
Chance of rain: None at night
Sunrise 7:33 a.m.
Sunset 7:53 p.m.

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

***Note:** Bigar's Stars is based on the degree of your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label astrologers put on a set of degrees for convenience. For best results, readers should refer to the dates following each sign.*

A baby born today has a Sun in Virgo and a Moon in Leo.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Sept. 17, 2017:
This year you prefer to share less and listen more. You will do a lot of processing on your own. Speak more frequently with a confidant who can present different perspectives. You are unusually fortunate with money, but don't count on this luck lasting forever. If you are single, you enjoy the closeness of a new bond. Get to know a potential sweetie well before plunging in. If you are attached, the two of you enjoy your passionate time away from others. You love these times together. LEO might be flashy, but you know where he or she is coming from.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Others want to have your creative input. The number of conversations taking place around you indicates how much you have to offer. Enjoy the attention and interest. You might surprise yourself with a spontaneous desire to take a risk. **Tonight:** Let the fun go on and on. **This Week:** You achieve a new beginning with the energy of the New Moon.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Remain secure, despite a difficult talk involving a close partner. Know that this person does not see the situation the same way you do. Your imagination helps you to clear out your to-dos more quickly. Make special time for a loved one. **Tonight:** You gain a deep, intense perspective. **This Week:** You are full of creativity.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Speak your mind with the full expectation that you will be heard. Caring evolves. Others respond to you. A child might even reach out. The unexpected marks a friendship or a get-together. Take the impulsiveness as it is intended to be received. **Tonight:** Let the party go on. **This Week:** Speak your mind, share ideas and expect feedback.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ Be aware of the ideas being presented by friends and loved ones. Brainstorm, if need be, in order to tap into the creativity of others. Use the moment to the max. A friend might opt to create some chaos. Find out what is going on with this person. **Tonight:** Live life to the fullest. **This Week:** Don't hesitate to verbalize your feelings.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You feel energized and magnetic. You have noticed how important you are to others. This trend will continue throughout the day. You might feel the need for constant approval. Be aware of this drive and how it could cause a problem. **Tonight:** Accept an invitation. **This Week:** Be careful with your financial involvements.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★ To withdraw some would suit you well, as you have been going at a fast pace and might need some R and R. How you deal with someone else who wants to drag you out the door will reflect how you feel. Do what you can to make this a peaceful day. **Tonight:** Not to be found. **This Week:** Open up a problem in order to find a solution.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ Friends surround you and make a major difference in how you carry out this day. You could be convinced to play ball with friends, or head to the movies. Make the most of the moment, and enjoy being out and about. You are lucky once more. **Tonight:** As you like it. **This Week:** A friendship is more important than you realize.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ You are a force to be dealt with. Today, others acknowledge you in their own way. Go within yourself to find answers, but know that you will hear solutions from others as well. Invite an older friend or relative to join you for an early dinner. **Tonight:** Could be another late one. **This Week:** Emphasize networking and drying a hard bargain.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★
Reach out to a loved one at a distance. You often enjoy your chats with this person. You might feel the desire to get together soon. Why not? Start planning to meet halfway. A child could be full of surprises, which will delight you to no end. **Tonight:** Opt for a novel experience. **This Week:** Embrace a new perspective.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ One-on-one relating emerges and allows greater give-and-take. You have a need to contact a key person and catch up on news. At the same time you'll strengthen your friendship. Caring can solidify a bond more than you realize. **Tonight:** Have a fun dinner with close friends. **This Week:** A close relationship soars in importance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Your instincts are to cause no hassles. Being docile promotes a sense that you do not demand and/or need much. Find a different way to avoid conflict. You could state your feelings and acknowledge others' feelings. Set still opt to go your own way. **Tonight:** Say "yes." **This Week:** You make a big difference.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ You like the friendly nature of the people who surround you at the moment. You could find it nearly impossible to say "no" to others. Before you know it, a loved one becomes part of your plans for the day. Be careful with any financial commitments. **Tonight:** Schedule a massage. **This Week:** Allow others to handle issues that often plague you.

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Neme's Food Truck Palooza featuring jumpers, music and a variety of food was held Saturday at Neme's Cocina Fresca food truck park near the intersection of Loop 250 and N. Big Spring.

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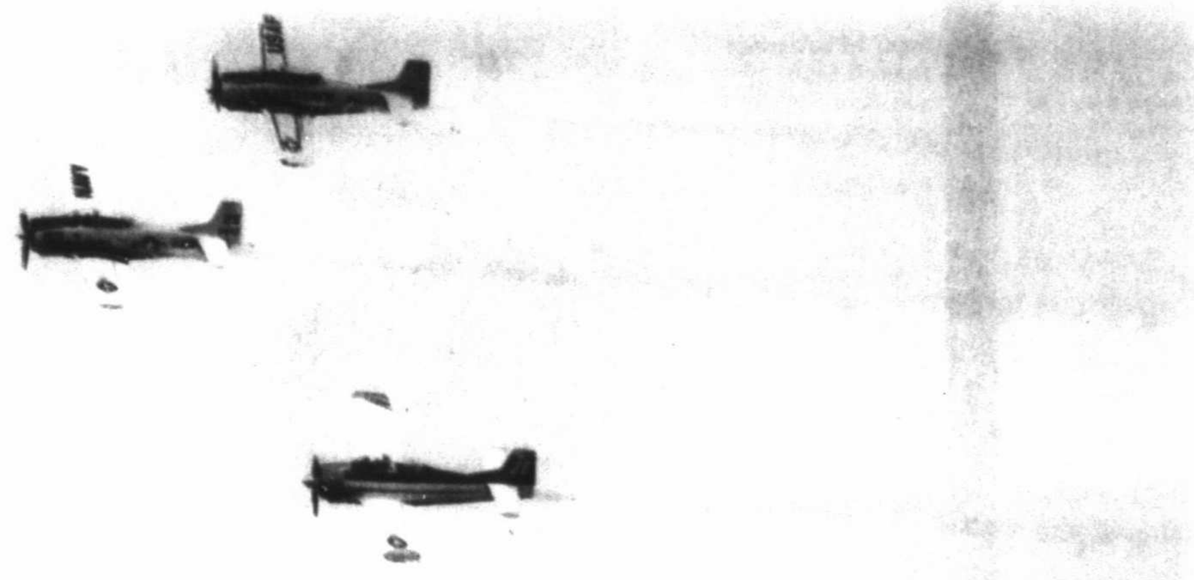
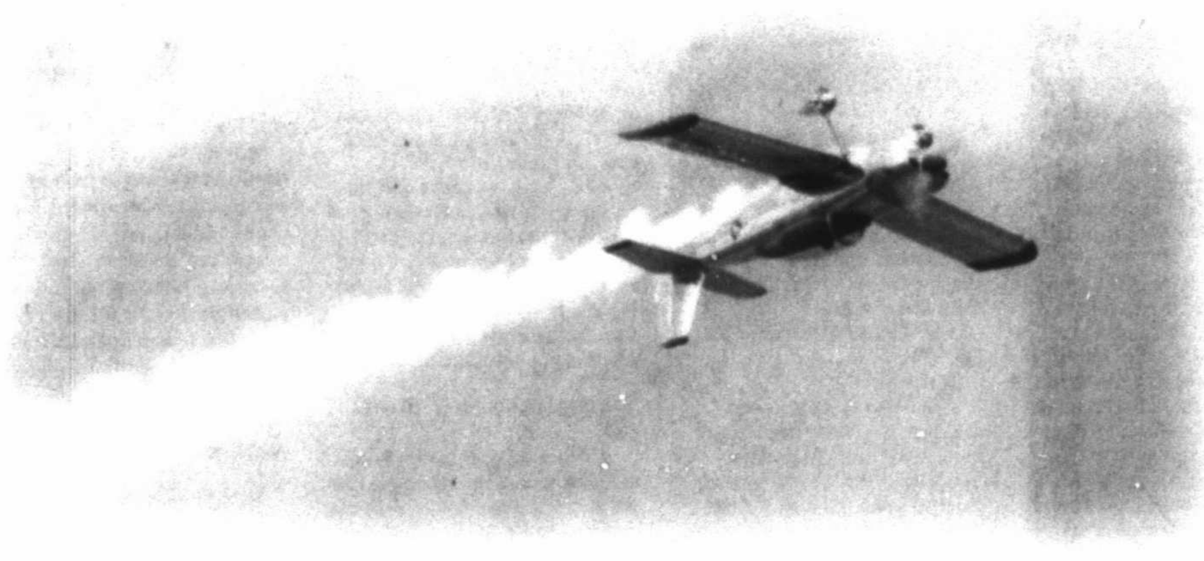


ABOVE, The Trojan Horsemen Demonstration Team performs with T-28 aircraft. **BELOW,** Joe Shetterly pilots an RV-8 inverted over the crowd



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"not just in horizontal wells but vertical wells," he said.

He said the turnaround was the result of three things: improvements in horizontal drilling, advances in hydraulic fracturing and oil prices exceeding $100 a barrel.

The Permian is producing more than 2 million barrels a day and that output is expected to reach 3 million, 4 million or even 5 million barrels in coming years, he said. That's possible because of operators delineating reservoirs through their drilling, efficiency gains and technological improvements, Gray said.

He said operators do face challenges, such as water management, well performance and reserve life and the price of oil.

When he asked the audience how many expected prices to be between $40 and $50 a barrel in the next couple of years, a number of hands were raised. A similar number of hands were raised when he asked how many expected prices between $50 and $60 a barrel. No hands went up when he asked how many expected prices over $60 a barrel.

He said people tell him prices would be $70 a barrel if Permian Basin shale producers had just slowed down their drilling activity.

"Ten or 15 years ago, Permian production was below 1 million barrels a day and only 1 percent of U.S. production.

This year it will be 2.5 million barrels a day but still just 2.5 percent. It bothers me when people point the finger at us," he said.

He told the audience that market forces can be expected to lift prices as global oil demand continues to grow, largely in developing countries such as China and India.

Citing forecasts that have global demand reaching 100 million barrels a day in the next three years — up from the current 97 million barrels a day — Gray said that established production is declining 14 million barrels a day. That's a 17 million-barrel-a-day gap that will have to be met just to keep up with demand, he said.

"The Permian Basin will do its part, maybe hitting 4 million barrels a day. But where's the rest going to come from?" he said.

Gray said that before prices fell, there were 40 big, expensive offshore projects funded, but only 10 or 15 have been funded since prices fell.

"That's billions of dollars in investment that's not come into the market the last three years," he said. "These are big projects that have five-year timelines. Canada's tar sands production will go up this year but that's because new projects that were commissioned when prices were high are coming online. But there aren't any new projects.

The North Sea is another example. Three years from now we'll be glad for every barrel available."

He told the audience he's a little more optimistic than some of his peers and said oil prices won't hit $100 again but, without the big projects needed to boost production, prices will be in the high $50s or low $60s, "which is a great number for the Permian."

Recovery

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stronger than the figures show.

"It almost has to be (grown) faster than we're seeing, given the growth of the other indicators," he said. He predicted that when the Texas Workforce Commission conducts its annual data revisions in February, Midland-Odessa job growth will be revised upward. That will be an improvement from growth being revised downward the last couple of years, he said.

Still, he pointed out that Midland-Odessa lost over 20,000 jobs in the last three years as crude prices fell by more than 50 percent, and not nearly that many have been added back.

"We're quite a ways away from getting back to pre-downturn employment," he said. "If we keep up current growth, we'll cut into that loss, but it will be 2018 before we know what growth really is. Job losses went really deep, but again, it's moving in the right direction."

An improved labor market has consumers opening their wallets wider. July retail sales were up 32.3 percent compared to the previous July, the largest rise so far since the recovery began, Ingham said, and are up 8 percent so far this year over last year.

In Midland, retail sales are up 24.8 percent over last July and 1.1 percent so far this year over the first eight months of 2016.

Automotive spending in July was up 18.4 percent over the previous year and is up 21.4 percent so far this year over a year ago.

In Midland, automotive spending is up 29.8 percent over last July and is up 27 percent so far this year.

Ingham said construction activity took a breather in July following a sharp increase in June. The valuation of all building permits was up 5.9 percent over the previous July and is up 22.4 percent so far this year compared to 2016 levels.

In Midland, permit valuations slumped 4.4 percent from last July but are up 10.9 percent so far this year.

Housing construction gained strength, with Midland and Odessa issuing 166 permits for new homes, exactly double the 83 issued last July. So far this year, the two cities have issued 893 permits, up 50.3 percent from the 594 issued in the same period last year.

Midland issued 95 permits in July, up 137.5 percent from 40 last July and has issued 549 new housing permits so far this year, up 65.4 percent from 332 last year.

Existing home sales continued their record-setting pace, Ingham reported. There were 373 existing homes sold in July, up 34.2 percent from 278 last July. So far in 2017, there have been 2,367 homes sold, up 29.8 percent from 1,823 last year. The average sales price was $264,366, up 3.8 percent from $254,571 last July. The year-to-date average is $258,205, up 7.2 percent from $240,893 last year.

In Midland, there were 239 homes sold in July, up 17.2 percent from 204 last July. To date, there have been 1,627 existing homes sold in the Tall City, up 35.8 percent from 1,198 a year ago. The average sales price was $310,403, up 9.3 percent from last July's average of $283,905. The average price year-to-date is $291,103, up 7.3 percent from $271,208 last year.

Ingham said the continuing rise in home prices presents both positives and negatives for the economy.

"What is true is there is a positive relationship between the housing sector and the overall economy," he said. "Even if it does have some troublesome aspects in terms of affordability and the rate at which prices are rising, it does reflect an expanding economy and is a reflection of the rapidly expanding recovery of the economy in Midland-Odessa."

Another strong signal of the area's economic recovery is the dollars coming in from outside Midland-Odessa. Ingham said hotel-motel tax collections are reported quarterly, and he had been waiting to see the second quarter report to determine how well the hotel-motel sector was faring.

"I figured second-quarter figures would be spectacularly better, and sure enough it reflected rising hotel-motel occupancy as oil and gas activity sent people to the region for one reason or another," he said, as reflected in the 11.4 percent jump in airline boardings. The second-quarter hotel-motel tax collections were 51.8 percent higher than last year and in Midland were 43.5 percent higher, coming in slightly better than he anticipated.

"That exploding number bodes well for economic development," he said.

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Union: Thousands of firefighters didn't work during Harvey

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Thousands of Houston firefighters were told to stay home at the height of Harvey's flooding even as calls for help overwhelmed 911 dispatchers, the president of the city's firefighters union said Friday.

In an interview with Houston television station KHOU , Marty Lancton said that the fire department could have done more during the storm.

"I don't want to hear about lack of resources," Lancton said. "Emergencies are something you prepare for. You don't have the answers, but you prepare. In this case, they weren't prepared."

On Sunday, Aug. 27, as fast-rushing water chased people onto their rooftops, about 3,000 firefighters were instructed not to report to work, according to Lancton, an agonizing order for many eager to assist with rescues.

"We're sorry," Lancton said, fighting back tears. "Every Houston firefighter would put their life on the line for anybody without question, with a moment's notice, and this is not different."

Houston Fire Chief Sam Pena acknowledged that three-quarters of the force was asked not to report, but said that the department was fully staffed.

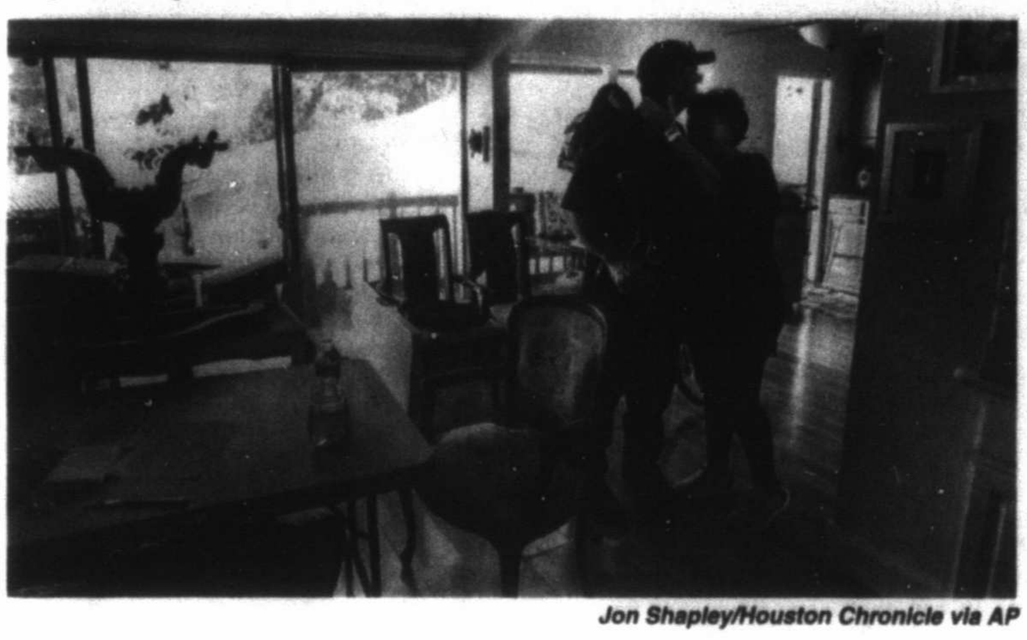
"Everything we had available, we deployed in anticipation of that," Pena said.

The decision against a full recall, which Pena said was made based on staffing needs during past disasters, left a crew of 900 firefighters responsible for 650 square miles of Houston. Many worked two or three days without a break.

Pena said he hadn't seen the data yet for response times from that Sunday but that in hindsight, he would have brought in more firefighters to make sure crews could rotate out each day.

The decision to not deploy more fire responders struck a nerve in southeast Houston, where Debbie Martinez and her 3-month-old granddaughter had waited for help as her home filled with water.

"There could have been people here to help us get out of here," she said. "It doesn't make sense."



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Sharlene Barris, right, begins to cry after seeing Houston Fire Department Capt. Joshua Vogel, left, while firefighters were making welfare checks on residents Aug. 31 in the Meyerland area of Houston. Vogel's team evacuated Barris and her husband as waters rose into their home.

Houston's anything-goes business model under siege after Harvey

By Christopher Flavelle and David Wethe
Bloomberg News

HOUSTON — As post-hurricane Houston dries out, cracks are appearing.

Harvey's floods exposed the clash between two visions: Business leaders say the sprawling, economically vibrant metropolis shouldn't change its hands-off approach to planning. Environmentalists and disaster experts warn that Houston is courting a repeat catastrophe.

In the middle are local officials, who have said in broad terms that they're willing to consider rules and programs to protect Houston — but haven't said what, or at whose expense.

"We really need a whole new scheme," said Ed Emmett, the elected administrator of Harris County, which encompasses Houston. "Hopefully, this will be a wake-up call."

Last month, Harvey destroyed or damaged about 136,000 homes in Harris County. Now at stake are their rebuilding or repair, the distribution of tens of billions of dollars in federal assistance and the essence of America's fourth-largest city.

The next storm could be still more destructive. But protection means rules, and rules go against Houston's ethos.

"One of the reasons that Houston has grown the way it has is because of no zoning, and it's easy to develop there," said Tilman Fertitta, chief executive officer of the Houston-based restaurant chain Landry's Inc. Fertitta, who this month agreed to buy the NBA's Houston Rockets for $2.2 billion, said that common sense, rather than rules, will dictate how the city revives.

"Houston is a big swamp that sits on the bayous and all the creeks and all the oxbows off the bayou," Fertitta said. "We just need to be smarter. You don't need to build homes next to a reservoir."

Greg Brenneman, a private-equity investor, said that while he expected rebuilding to start quickly, the result wouldn't necessarily be any different.

"I don't know that there will be dramatic changes" to zoning laws or regulations, he told Bloomberg Television. "Nobody had ever seen 50 inches of rain before. If you dumped 50 inches of rain on any city, including New York City, you're going to have flooding. There's no city, however it's governed, that can handle that."

But experts say there are ways to minimize damage. Houston would benefit from better planning across city and county lines, said Wesley Highfield, a professor at Texas A&M University in Galveston who focuses on environmental planning and hazard mitigation.

"It takes a regional, high-level view to figure out why things worked out or didn't," Highfield said.

On its own, Houston could regulate where and how houses are built, keeping them out of floodplains and requiring that they be higher.

Chad Berginnis, executive director of the Association of State Floodplain Managers, said building homes just four feet above 100-year flood levels can cut insurance premiums 75 percent, meaning the cost can be paid off in a few years. He said the main objections come from homebuilders.

"I get so frustrated," Berginnis said. "There is opposition to anything from their perspective that increases the cost of a building."

Ned Munoz, general counsel of the Texas Association of Builders, said in an email that supporters of tighter codes don't understand how stringent they already are. He said backers are generally members of the insurance industry looking to limit exposure and manufacturers who want to sell their products.

And Bob Harvey, chief executive officer at the Greater Houston Partnership, said Houston won't stop doing what made it itself.

"We're always looking at our development standards," Harvey said in an interview on Bloomberg Television. "Even without zoning, there are ways to do that, and that will continue to happen."

One of the toughest questions, according to Bill Read, a former director of the National Hurricane Center, is what to do about the tens of thousands of homes already in the 100-year flood plain. Houston's median home price last year was $230,000; buying out a hypothetical 50,000 homes would cost $11.5 billion. Acquiring and demolishing every damaged structure would cost more than $31 billion.

Buyouts on that scale are "just unthinkable," Read said.

But Emmett, the Harris County judge, is thinking about it. He said the government should move "as soon as possible," and said it would cost "billions and billions of dollars."

"There's no question we're going to have a large-scale buyout of houses in Harris County and in this entire region," he added.

Mayor Sylvester Turner has likewise expressed a willingness to change — for instance, by spending more on infrastructure. Turner is willing to discuss not rebuilding in flood plains, as well as better regional coordination, according to Alan Bernstein, his spokesman.

"The reservoirs, the rivers, the bayous, and the bays don't stop at the city limits," Bernstein said.

Also in agreement that something ought to change: People whose homes flooded.

Bob Cantrell, 57, owns the $600,000 brick ranch house where he grew up in Houston's Meyerland neighborhood, and floods inflicted uninsured damage that he expects to total $100,000 or more. Earlier this month, furniture was piled on his tidy green yard awaiting the garbage truck.

Cantrell said the city needs to be cognizant of how much water is channeled into waterways like the one that overflowed and wrecked his house.

"Bayous can't handle it, obviously," he said. When it comes to new houses, "they do need to be above the floodplain. You can't just rebuild every year."

But even many who recognize that Houston's laissez-faire ways have made it vulnerable are loath to suggest change.

Eduardo Sanchez, president of Sanchez Energy Corp., a Houston oil and gas exploration company, said "lax zoning requirements" make the city flood-prone by leaving little green space to absorb rainfall. Still, he said, "I'm not by any means encouraging that there be any reform."

AP file photo

Mayor Andrea "Andy" Pendleton, right, hugs resident Linda Bennett on Aug. 23, 2016 in front of Bennett's new FEMA trailer installed in front of her flood ravaged home in Rainelle, W. Va. Just before Hurricane Harvey made landfall in Texas in August as a Category 4 hurricane and in the floods that ensued, the federal government was auctioning off used disaster-response trailers at fire-sale prices.

FEMA auctioned disaster trailers before Harvey made landfall

By Michael Sisak and Emily Schmall
Associated Press

The federal government auctioned off disaster-response trailers at fire-sale prices just before Harvey devastated southeast Texas, reducing an already diminished supply of mobile homes ahead of what could become the nation's largest-ever housing mission.

More than 100 2017-model Federal Emergency Management Agency trailers were sold over the two days before the Category 4 hurricane landed in the Gulf Coast, an analysis of government data by The Associated Press found. Harvey was already projected to be a monster storm that would inflict unprecedented damage.

The trailers were designated to be sold through Aug. 28, after floodwaters sent thousands of Texans onto rooftops and into shelters.

About 79,000 homes in the areas affected by the hurricane were flooded with 18 inches or more of water, Michael Byrne, FEMA's federal disaster recovery coordinator for Harvey, told AP.

The auctions — about 300 since the beginning of the year — have left FEMA with a standing fleet of only 1,700 units. The agency has put out bids for another 4,500, but officials could not say when they would be ready to meet needs arising from Harvey, Irma and potentially future storms.

"There's a vast chasm between what they can supply and what is actually needed," said Dr. Irwin Redlener, director of the National Center for Disaster Preparedness at Columbia University, adding that he found the trailer auctions an "unfortunate decision."

FEMA officials said that the units sold had all been used to house survivors of last year's floods in Southern Louisiana, who returned them with damages that made them unfit for redeployment.

"The ones you will hear about being auctioned are the used models that we've determined it's not cost-effective to refurbish. We're very rigid and strict about what we'll refurbish and it's got to be something that quite frankly any one of us would be comfortable living in and willing to put our families into," Byrne said.

Yet the 300 trailers sold on the Government Services Agency's online auction since the beginning of the year 2017 were advertised either without problems, or with only minor damage, such as flat tires, buckling trim or missing furniture, GSA records showed. FEMA said trailers also go to the auction block because of leaks, roach infestations and odor left by cigarette smoke.

FEMA officials said the trailers it had recently ordered will cost the agency around $40,000 for a one-bedroom. By contrast, GSA sold a 2017-model trailer Aug. 23 with damage it described as normal wear and tear and low or flat tires for less than $5,000.

FEMA deployed 144,000 trailers after Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, but started selling off its stock in 2007 when the trailers became symbols of the troubled federal response after lawsuits accused some of those units of being riddled with high levels of cancer-causing formaldehyde.

Sales were halted after tests by the Centers for Disease Control in 2008 showed formaldehyde leaching from the trailers' pressed-wood products. The auctions resumed after a court order was lifted in 2010, and Katrina-era units resurfaced on Native American reservations, in North Dakota's oilfields and in Texas, following the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, according to Chemical Heritage Foundation fellow Nicholas Shapiro.

In 2011, FEMA announced that all of its trailers would be built with wood products that met emission standards set by the California Air Resources Board. Units rolled out in 2016 ranged in size from one to three bedrooms and were equipped with smoke detectors, fire sprinklers and central heating and air conditioning, with hookups for washing machines and cable TV.

FEMA has auctioned off trailers during disasters before.

As Superstorm Sandy churned up the Atlantic coast in 2012, dozens of trailers sat idle in a supermarket parking lot in Northeastern Pennsylvania, — about two hours from the New Jersey coast.

The trailers were deployed for a flood the previous year, but many went unused and instead wound up on the government auction block at a fraction of their original cost, landing on the resale market or being refurbished for personal use.

Judge: Inmates evacuated during Harvey now part of lawsuit

HOUSTON — A judge says at least 600 inmates evacuated during Harvey to a prison unit with oppressive heat are now part of an ongoing lawsuit about conditions at the facility.

U.S. District Judge Keith Ellison ruled Thursday that by being evacuated to the Pack Unit, a state prison near Houston, these inmates were also being put at risk.

In July, Ellison found the heat at the unit threatened the health of many inmates. As a result, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice moved more than 1,000 inmates out of the unit to facilities with air conditioning.

The department said Friday it strongly disagrees with Ellison's ruling and as a result won't be moving back the inmates to the Stringfellow Unit, their original prison in Brazoria County which doesn't have air conditioning.

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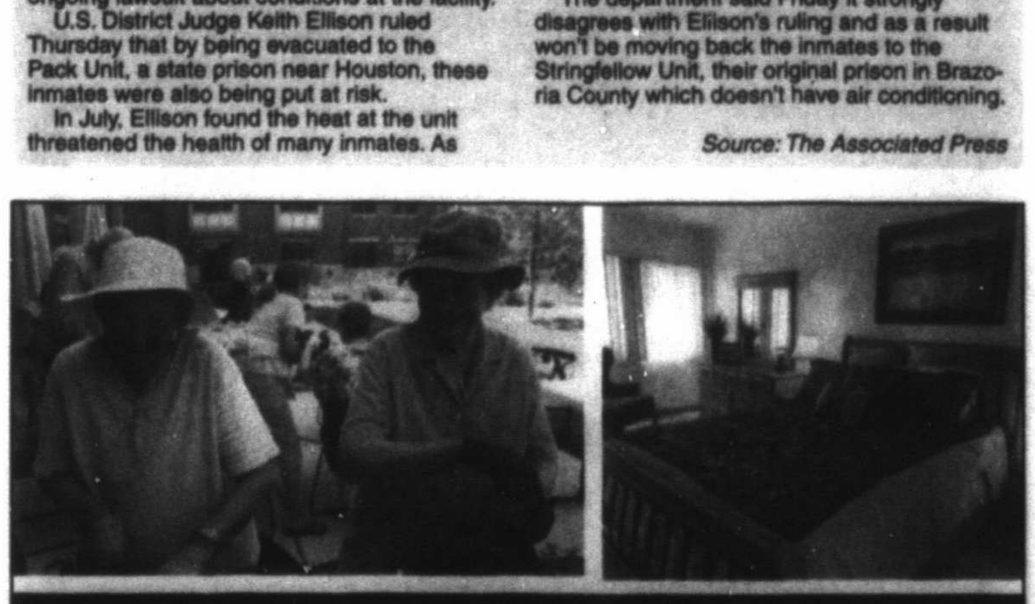

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What you need to know about Texas' battle over allegations of gerrymandering

By James Barragan
The Dallas Morning News

AUSTIN — In the latest chapter of Texas' extremely complicated battle over voting rights and the legality of its electoral maps, the U.S. Supreme Court last week halted a lower court's ruling ordering the state to redraw its congressional and statehouse maps.

The high court's decision means Texas will likely use its current maps, which a federal court in San Antonio ruled discriminatory this year, for next year's elections while it considers the state's appeal of the lower court's decision.

If the Supreme Court sides with the lower court, it could reshape Texas' political landscape. If not, it could mean a major victory for state officials who have defended the legality of the maps for most of the decade.

Here's what you need to know about Texas' yearslong legal battle over redistricting.

Question: How did we get here?

Answer: In 2011, minority lawmakers and civil rights groups sued the state over its electoral maps, saying Texas legislators drew them to limit the voting power of African-Americans and Latinos. They successfully stopped the state from implementing those maps, and a federal court in Washington ordered that new maps be drawn.

In 2012, a panel of three federal judges in San Antonio recommended new congressional and statehouse maps that could be used to fix the original maps. The Legislature adopted the panel's maps in 2013 with minimal changes.

But plaintiffs in the case argued that the maps the panel suggested were a starting point for changes, and the Legislature's refusal to do more constituted an intent to discriminate against minorities.

Four years later, the panel ruled in August that parts of the 2013 maps, which are used for state elections, are discriminatory.

The panel invalidated two congressional districts and ordered nine statehouse districts redrawn. Now that the Supreme Court granted the state's request to temporarily block the lower court's ruling until an appeal can be considered, it's up to the justices to decide where the case goes next.

Q: Why is it a big deal?

A: Plaintiffs argue that they are fighting to ensure that minorities get fair representation when voting in elections. But because blacks and Latinos vote largely for Democratic candidates, reshaping electoral districts to boost minority representation could lead to more Democrats in office. Such a change could have a ripple effect on public policy and legislation.

Republican state leaders, whose party benefits from the way the map is drawn, say the districts are fair and drawn without discriminatory intent.

Q: How would Dallas voters be affected?

A: If the lower court's ruling is upheld, Dallas-Fort Worth could see a major shift in the makeup of its statehouse districts. Five were ordered redrawn: Districts 103, 104 and 105 in western Dallas County and 90 and 93 in Tarrant County.

Changing those districts would have a ripple effect on surrounding districts, which could shift the political leanings of the area.

Q: What about voters in the rest of the state?

A: The same effect would occur in the other House districts and the congressional districts that were ruled invalid. The judges also ruled that Districts 32 and 34 in Nueces County and Districts 54 and 55 in Bell County should be redrawn.

The two congressional districts are in Corpus Christi, held by Republican Blake Farenthold, and in Central Texas from San Antonio to Austin, currently held by Democrat Lloyd Doggett.

Q: Couldn't the Supreme Court fix this?

A: The Supreme Court is the highest arbiter of justice, but it still needs to follow legal processes and timelines. The state has said it needs a decision on changes to the maps by Oct. 1 to implement them by next year's elections.

The Supreme Court's term begins the first Monday of October, which would put its deliberations over the maps a day after the state's deadline. The plaintiffs have said the deadline is arbitrary and could be pushed back, but that could cause confusion in elections that courts prefer to avoid.

Q: What ruling can Texans expect, and when?

A: If the Supreme Court takes up the appeal, it's unclear what result it would hand down. The four liberal justices dissented on the court's order to grant the state's motion to delay the redrawing of the maps.

But the other five justices who granted the motion wouldn't necessarily rule in favor of the state. It just means they wanted to hear arguments from both sides.

The plaintiffs will likely ask the justices to uphold the lower court's ruling, leaving that court to draw new maps. The state will likely ask the court to throw out the case, arguing that lawmakers did what the lower court asked by using its template to draw new maps in 2013.

But how the justices will rule, and when they will issue their opinion, is difficult to predict.

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Debris surrounds a destroyed structure Sept. 13 in the aftermath of Hurricane Irma in Big Pine Key, Fla. Rising sea levels and fierce storms have failed to stop relentless population growth along U.S. coasts in recent years, a new Associated Press analysis shows. The latest punishing hurricanes scored bull's-eyes on two of the country's fastest growing regions: coastal Texas around Houston and resort areas of southwest Florida.

US coastal growth continues despite lessons of past storms

By Jeff Donn
Associated Press

Rising sea levels and fierce storms have failed to stop relentless population growth along U.S. coasts in recent years, a new Associated Press analysis shows. The latest punishing hurricanes scored bull's-eyes on two of the country's fastest growing regions: coastal Texas around Houston and resort areas of southwest Florida.

Nothing seems to curb America's appetite for life near the sea, especially in the warmer climates of the South. Coastal development destroys natural barriers such as islands and wetlands, promotes erosion and flooding, and positions more buildings and people in the path of future destruction, according to researchers and policy advisers who study hurricanes.

"History gives us a lesson, but we don't always learn from it," said Graham Tobin, a disaster researcher at the University of South Florida in Tampa. That city took a glancing hit from Hurricane Irma — one of the most intense U.S. hurricanes in years — but suffered less flooding and damage than some other parts of the state.

In 2005, coastal communities took heed of more than 1,800 deaths and $108 billion in damages from Hurricane Katrina, one of the worst disasters in U.S. history. Images of New Orleans under water elicited solemn resolutions that such a thing should never happen again — until Superstorm Sandy inundated lower Manhattan in 2012. Last year, Hurricane Matthew spread more deaths, flooding and blackouts across Florida, Georgia and the Carolinas. From 2010-2016, major hurricanes and tropical storms are blamed for more than 280 deaths and $100 billion in damages, according to data from the federal National Centers for Environmental Information.

Harvey, another historically big hurricane, flooded sections of Houston in recent weeks. Four counties around Houston, where growth has been buoyed by the oil business, took the full force of the storm. The population of those counties expanded by 12 percent from 2010 to 2016, to a total of 5.3 million people, the AP analysis shows.

During the same years, two of Florida's fastest-growing coastline counties — retirement-friendly Lee and Manatee, both south of Tampa — welcomed 16 percent more people. That area took a second direct hit from Irma after it made first landfall in the Florida Keys, where damage was far more devastating.

Overall growth of 10 percent in Texas Gulf counties and 9 percent along Florida's coasts during the same period was surpassed only by South Carolina. Its seaside population, led by the Myrtle Beach area of Horry County, ballooned by more than 13 percent.

Nationally, coastline counties grew an average of 5.6 percent since 2010, while inland counties gained just 4 percent. This recent trend tracks with decades of development along U.S. coasts. Between 1960 and 2008, the national coastline population rose by 84 percent, compared with 64 percent inland, according to the Census Bureau.

Cindy Gerstner, a retiree from the inland mountains of upstate New York, moved to a new home in January in Dunedin, Florida, west of Tampa. The ranch house sits on a flood plain three blocks from a sound off the Gulf of Mexico. She was told it hadn't flooded in 20 years — and she wasn't worried anyway.

"I never gave it a thought," she said during a visit back to New York as Irma raked Florida. "I always wanted to live down there. I always thought people who lived in California on earthquake faults were foolish."

Her enthusiasm for her new home was undiminished by Irma, which broke her fence and knocked out power but left her house dry.

In Horry County, where 19 percent growth has led all of South Carolina coastline counties, Irma caused only minor coastal flooding. The county's low property taxes are made possible by rapid development and tourism fees, allowing retirees from the North and Midwest to live more cheaply. Ironically, punishing hurricanes farther south in recent years has pushed some Northerners known locally as "half-backers" to return halfway home from Florida and to resettle in coastal South Carolina.

Add the area's moderate weather, appealing golf courses, and long white strands — the county is home to Myrtle Beach — and maybe no one can slow development there. "I don't see how you do it," said Johnny Vaught, vice chairman of the county council. "The only thing you can do is modulate it, so developments are well designed."

Strong building codes with elevation and drainage requirements, careful emergency preparations, and a good network of roads for evacuation help make the area more resilient to big storms, said the council chairman, Mark Lazarus. Such measures give people "a sense of comfort," said Laura Crowther, CEO of the local Coastal Carolina Association of Realtors.

Risk researchers say more is needed. "We're getting better at emergency response," said Tobin at the University of South Florida. "We're not so good at long-term control of urban development in hazardous areas."

The Federal Emergency Management Agency helps recovery efforts with community relief and flood insurance payments. The agency did not immediately respond to a request for comment. It provides community grants for projects aimed at avoiding future losses. Some projects elevate properties, build flood barriers, or strengthen roofs and windows against high winds. Others purchase properties subject to repeated damage and allow owners to move.

But coastline communities face more storm threats in the future.

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It pays to be in Texas, home of the $98,668 high school football coach

By Matthew Martinez
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The Woodlands head coach Mark Schmid, right, visits with Lake Travis head coach Hank Carter before a UIL Class 6A Division I state final game at AT&T Stadium on Dec. 17, 2016, in Arlington.

Three weeks before the high school football season kicks off, an administrative assistant at Lake Travis High School is juggling phone calls while season ticket holders wait to learn their seat assignments.

Lake Travis played its 2017 season opener in front of an audience that included those watching on Fox Sports Southwest, the first time that the University Interscholastic League (or UIL) allowed live broadcasts of Friday night games.

The Cavaliers are a powerhouse. They won their sixth state title in 2016. In 2011 they became the first team in the history of Texas high school football to win five consecutive state championships.

Five of their state six championships have come under two coaches: Chad Morris, now at SMU, and his successor, Hank Carter, who's entering his 10th season at the school, which is about 20 miles northwest of Austin.

Carter is the highest-paid high school football coach in Texas, with an annual salary of $155,156. That's $30,000 more than the principal at Lake Travis and almost triple the average salary of the school's teachers.

"There's no doubt Hank Carter is well paid," Lake Travis Superintendent Brad Lancaster said.

His district is one of the state's most affluent. The median household income is $103,000 and million-dollar homes dot the shores of Lake Travis.

"I think that's a little bit market-driven, it's driven by experience and by accomplishment ... and it also has to do with what this community desires," Lancaster said. "I think if Hank Carter left Lake Travis under my watch, the community would be wondering whether I was fit to serve."

Taxpayers in the state's large suburban school districts are consistently funding six-figure salaries for head football coaches, per records obtained by the Star-Telegram through the state's Public Information Act.

In June, the Star-Telegram made 205 requests for the salaries of every head football coach and principal at the state's 5A and 6A schools and with the results created a searchable database to analyze results of the request.

Is it too much?

There are no limits on what Texas high school football coaches can be paid, as long as school boards vote to approve contracts set by administrators.

So how much is too much? It depends who you ask.

"Our society places a lot of value on Friday night lights and our high school football teams," said Steven Poole, executive director of the United Educators Association, which advocates for teachers in DFW. "I'm hoping someday society places that high of a value on teachers."

Sue Morton is a retired educator who spent seven years teaching in the Birdville school district and eight in Dallas.

"My vote is yes, that's too big of a disparity," Morton said. "Football is made too big a deal of, and the latest example is that big new stadium in Katy. Most people would probably disagree with me, but that's the way I feel."

The Katy school district's Morton Ranch High School is named after her family. The district is home to a new $72 million stadium and the eight-time state champion Katy Tigers, whose coach Gary Joseph earns $133,102.

Statewide, football coaches earn an average of $98,668. The average salary for a high school teacher is $55,221. Principals at the state's 5A and 6A schools (those with enrollments of 1,100 or more) earn an average of $117,744, according to the Star-Telegram's analysis.

Suburban areas typically have better performing football teams than their urban counterparts. Salaries are also higher.

With an average salary of $103,566, coaches' earnings at the state's biggest suburban schools — those in the Dallas-Fort Worth, Houston, Austin and San Antonio areas — are almost double that of the teachers, therapists and nurses who work on campus with them.

DFW suburban football coaches are some of the highest paid in the state, earning $106,619. The Arlington and Hurst-Euless-Bedford school districts pay their coaches just under $110,000.

Talent pool

Administrators say the pool of qualified candidates for head coaches, many of whom are also the athletic coordinators at their campuses, is smaller than the pool of qualified teachers. That drives up the cost for top talent.

"Right now, if I need a third-grade teacher, if I go to HR, I probably have 400 applications on file for people who want to be a third-grade teacher," said superintendent Tom Leonard of the Eanes school district, where Austin Westlake coach Todd Dodge earns $131,600.

"And I'm not against third-grade teachers. I want to go on record and say that we need to pay teachers more money throughout the state of Texas. But if I need a principal or an AD, my numbers go down significantly, because there's just not as many people in that pool."

Dodge is one of 28 coaches in the state who earns more than $120,000 and one of five who earns $130,000 or more. He won four state titles at Southlake Carroll from 2002-06, leading the Dragons to a 79-1 record.

At Lake Travis, Carter puts in more than 80 hours a week during football season. That slows down slightly in the off-season, he says, because of heavy scheduling and hiring duties associated with being his district's athletic director.

"It's probably well-deserved," said Sean McAuliffe, head coach at San Antonio-area power Converse Judson, who is paid $105,320. "With that revenue, I would imagine it's well worth it. So for the amount of hours that people put in, the compensation should match."

Westlake's Dodge also serves as his district's athletic director.

Superintendents at both districts said the dual role of their football coaches allows them to save money because they're not paying another administrator.

Fans of North Texas powers Southlake Carroll and Aledo may be surprised to find that their coaches' salaries are not in that top tier of pay.

Carroll's Hal Wasson, in his 29th year as a head coach, earns $115,126. Wood, in his fourth year as head coach of the Bearcats, might be one of the biggest bargains in the state at $95,003.

"Steve is underpaid. I know that," said former Aledo coach and current athletic director Tim Buchanan. "But at the same time, our teachers are underpaid. Aledo is a school district that doesn't have a whole lot of extra money to spend on salaries."

Neither Wood nor Wasson are athletic directors, and neither like to spend their days quibbling over how much they're getting paid.

Wasson said he started at $88,000 when he came to Southlake Carroll in 2007. Buchanan said he first heard of a coach's salary eclipsing $40,000 in 1983 when Doug Etheridge moved from Port Neches-Grove to Round Rock.

"Do I think coaches are overpaid? Absolutely not," Wasson said. "Ask anyone to hang around with us and see the hours we keep, and they'd know right away."

Revenue generators

The top teams in Texas bring revenue back to their schools.

Playoff teams share gate receipts from their games, after expenses and after the UIL, or governing body, takes its cut, either 16 percent for playoff games or 20 percent for the state championship. More than 245,000 people watched the state championships at AT&T Stadium in 2016.

"How much does the football program's gate do for our other sports?" asked Lancaster, the Lake Travis superintendent. "We get 50- or 60-grand checks for just playing in the state championship game, the last two years in a row."

But for Lancaster, neither that revenue generation nor the economy of high school football really gets at the reason for the pay disparity between a football coach and a teacher.

"If you're the English III teacher at the high school, and you're making $55,000 a year, you work very hard," Lancaster said. "Can I say that the football coach that makes 100-, 110- or 120-grand works twice as hard as you? No.

"Kindergarten teachers, high school teachers, or, to put it on more equal footing, head band directors, all work extremely hard, but they don't make the same amount of money, and I don't think that at face value you can give a satisfactory explanation for that.

"It's a market-driven pay differential."

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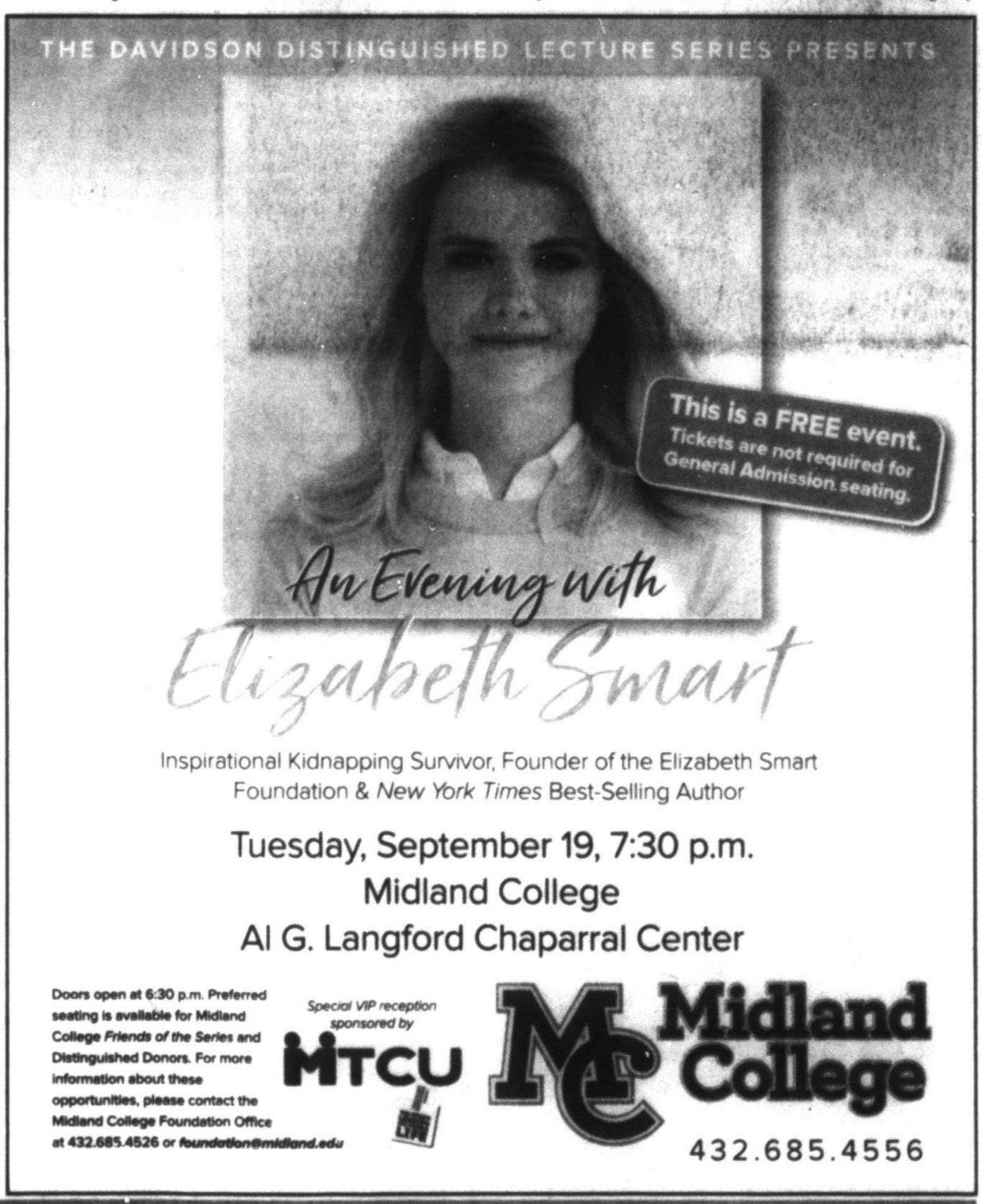

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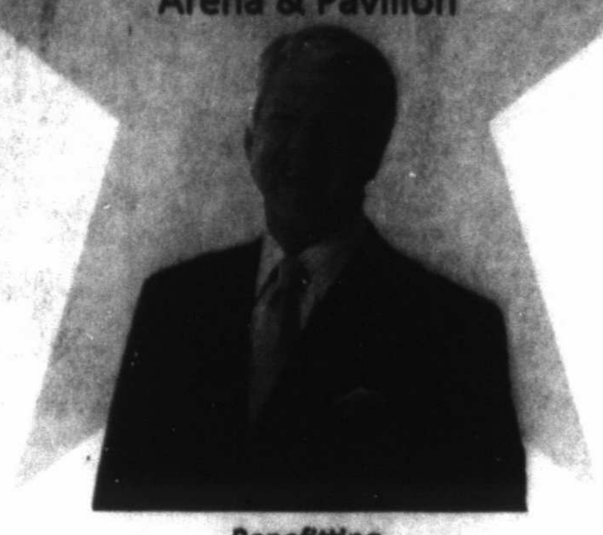

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Never Trumpers to voters: We told you so

By Katie Glueck
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Last year, Sen. Ted Cruz warned that if voters wanted to elect more Republicans who would cut deals with Democratic leaders Nancy Pelosi and Chuck Schumer, "then I guess Donald Trump is your guy."

This week, that's what Trump did — and Never Trump conservatives say it's just what they feared.

"This is exactly what Cruz and many of his supporters warned about," said Amanda Carpenter, a former top aide to Cruz. "This would be a delicious schadenfreude sandwich if any conservatives had the appetite to eat it. It's mostly sad."

Trump's deal-making this week with Schumer, the Senate minority leader, and Pelosi, the House minority leader, on the most important issue to his base — immigration — has outraged some of his strongest supporters, including some at the hard-line outlet Breitbart, home to his former chief strategist, Steve Bannon. Conservative commentators such as Ann Coulter and Laura Ingraham are tweeting about Trump irately, and some activists are taking to Twitter to show off images of the campaign's Make America Great Again hats on fire.

But Republicans who have insisted for years that Trump is no conservative say this turn to the Democrats was entirely predictable. "I was concerned about things like this. I am concerned about it," said Brendan Steinhauser, a Texas-based conservative activist, speaking broadly of Trump dealing more closely with Democrats than his own party. "This is where Ted Cruz was right when he said (Trump) was going to cut deals with Nancy Pelosi and Chuck Schumer."

Indeed, Trump, a former Democratic donor, has never hid the fact that he values making deals more than adhering to any particular ideology. But until recently, Trump's upending of Republican orthodoxy had often played into the more nationalist, populist vision championed by Bannon, Breitbart and prominent talk radio figures.

To the delight of the burgeoning nationalist wing of the party, Trump's campaign was centered on a hardline immigration platform, with promises to build a large border wall, have Mexico pay for it, and to deport undocumented immigrants. His dramatic about-face this week — with Pelosi, no less, the ultimate conservative boogeyman — felt like a shocking miscalculation to some of his more ardent backers, if not to his longtime conservative critics.

"If he goes soft on what his supporters believe is the defining issue of our time, I don't know who's going to be left to support him," said one source close to the White House. "The idea that Trump can pivot to the middle and get Democrats across the country to like him — it's fool's gold."

In the past, according to The New York Times, Bannon had described Trump as an "imperfect vessel" for the realignment he was pushing, but one with whom he could work all the same, seeing his candidacy and then White House as the biggest platform yet for those ideals. Now, say some strategists, Schumer appears to see Trump in a similar way, for his own set of policy objectives.

"They both saw in him a vessel to work their viewpoint," said Scott Jennings, a plugged-in GOP strategist. "For Bannon, he was a vessel, but a vessel to a longer-term political realignment. For Schumer, it's short-term and transactional. Today, he sees Trump not getting along with Mitch McConnell and Paul Ryan, he steps into the breach, understands Trump is driven, to some degree, by a desire for good press. What's the fastest way to get good press? Align yourself with liberal Democrats. That's what's happening."

Jennings said he didn't think Schumer was "under any illusions that Trump is going to magically become what is essentially a liberal Democratic president," pointing in particular to Trump's position on tax reform.

But he warned Trump not to underestimate the Democrats, even if they are willing to work with him for now: "For whatever happy memories Donald Trump has of dealing with Schumer and Pelosi, if they were to get control of either house of Congress, the subpoenas start flying. If they get control of both of them, articles of impeachment will fly."

Rick Tyler, a former spokesman for Cruz's presidential campaign, said there's nothing wrong with negotiating with Democrats — "so long as they are signing up to you, not you signing up to them. But this appears to be Donald Trump signing up to them." (His old boss, Cruz, has said it's "perfectly fine" to meet with Democrats, but has also been skeptical of Democratic interest in broader cooperation with Republicans.)

"I went on TV countless times saying Donald Trump is not a Republican, not a conservative, doesn't share our ideology, we can't count on him, he's not been down for the cause, so to speak," Tyler said. Pointing to Trump's past donations to Democrats and Trump's own remarks indicating that he's a deal-maker above all else, Tyler said: "That should have been a clarion warning for Republicans and conservatives who hold a governing philosophy."

The conservative base knew all of this during the campaign, however. It didn't matter then, and there are signs that it ultimately may not matter now, at least in terms of Trump's standing with them. Interviews with conservative activists across the country this week, as the immigration news played out, revealed that many are much more comfortable criticizing Congress than criticizing the president, and some are inclined to believe that he was forced to deal with Democrats because of intransigent Republican leadership.

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Top Democrats Schumer and Pelosi now deal-makers with Trump

By Alan Fram
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — It's been a long eight months in the wilderness for Democrats, but if any two were going to find their way back to the action it was Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer and his House counterpart, Nancy Pelosi.

Or "Chuck and Nancy," as President Donald Trump now calls them.

After the Republican-led Congress' failure to repeal President Barack Obama's health care law, when Trump cracked the door of bipartisanship, the two Hill veterans barged through full-force. They were looking for ways to "build some trust and confidence" with Trump, Pelosi, D-Calif., said in an interview Friday.

The willingness to engage with a president reviled by their party worried liberals like Rep. Raul Grijalva, D-Ariz., who warned against "proceeding toward normalizing him." But it surprised no one who's watched Schumer and Pelosi's combined 67 years of wheeling and dealing in Congress.

"Let's put it this way, it doesn't matter," Pelosi said about whether she likes Trump following two meetings that yielded a budget deal and progress on immigration. She said she doesn't know if Trump likes her, adding, "Right now, I want him to like the Dreamers," the nickname for young immigrants the two Democrats and Trump aim to protect.

Schumer, D-N.Y., inadvertently shared his impression of the duo's Wednesday parley with Trump, which moved an immigration agreement forward, catching uninvited Republican leaders flat-footed. At an open Senate microphone Thursday, Schumer said: "He likes us. He likes me, anyway." He described warning Trump he'd be "boxed" if he only works with one party, adding, "He gets that."

Both leaders' comments were instructive.

Pelosi, 77, who was the first female House speaker, is admired as a legislative tactician able to maximize minority Democrats' strength and as a prodigious fundraiser. Underscoring her penchant for finding allies, Sen. Mike Rounds, R-S.D., said that when as governor in 2009, he called congressional leaders to discuss President Barack Obama's pending health care bill — and only Pelosi called back.

Recounting the White House dinner that produced progress on immigration, the only woman among 11 people around the Blue Room's rectangular table said she was responding to Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross when "the others" interrupted.

"I said, 'Does anybody listen to women when they speak around here?'" Pelosi said Friday.

But critics say that forcefulness also means Pelosi holds power too tightly, not consulting widely enough with junior lawmakers, and is part of an aging cluster of party leaders that's frustrating younger, ambitious members.

Schumer, 66, has been Senate Democratic leader since January and is viewed by colleagues as a people person. He's memorized senators' telephone numbers, perhaps because of his flip phone's limitations, and is known for emotional visits and calls with lawmakers who've experienced personal losses. Schumer has arranged dates for staffers and said this week that his life's big gap was lacking grandchildren, of which Pelosi has nine.

The progressive end of the Democratic spectrum has shown wariness of Schumer, and thousands of liberals protested outside his Brooklyn apartment after Trump's January inauguration. They demanded he aggressively oppose Trump's appointees and agenda and accused him of being too close to the financial industry, which is centered in New York.

With Schumer's saggy suits contrasting with Pelosi's tailored wardrobe, the two leaders have known each other since serving in the House in the late 1980s. Then-Rep. George Miller, D-Calif., invited Pelosi to join a group of lawmakers who dined weekly and already included Schumer. Pelosi says she and Schumer now meet or speak "as necessary," often daily.

Pelosi's four years as speaker began in 2007 and included two years under Obama that saw enactment of his health care law, an economic stimulus package and overhauled financial regulations. She also produced legislation under President George W. Bush and Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, including a bank bailout, a revamping of how Medicare pays doctors and several budget deals.

Schumer is still new on the national scene, and few GOP campaign ads have used him as a foil. Thanks to her high profile and unabashed liberal views, Republicans have starred Pelosi in thousands of spots to vilify Democrats.

At age 23, Schumer became the youngest member of the New York State Assembly since Theodore Roosevelt in the 1880s. He was elected to the House in 1980 and the Senate in 1998, climbing leadership ranks and leapfrogging into the top post over his one-time housemate in Washington, No. 2 Senate Democratic leader Richard Durbin of Illinois.

Schumer helped write crime and gun control bills in the 1990s and aid for the New York region after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks and 2012's Hurricane Sandy. He was among eight senators who pushed bipartisan immigration legislation through the Senate in 2013, and this year helped strike compromises temporarily financing government and slapping sanctions on Russia.

He's also kept minority Democrats unanimously opposed to the failed GOP drive to repeal Obama's health law, blocked money for Trump's wall with Mexico and pressured Trump by railing against his firing of FBI chief James Comey. That's earned tweets from Trump, who's called him the Democrats' "head clown" and "Cryin' Chuck."

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Tax cuts quiet GOP call for fiscal discipline

By Andrew Taylor
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Republicans spooked world markets in their ardor to cut spending when Democrat Barack Obama was in the White House. Now, with Republican President Donald Trump pressing for politically popular tax cuts and billions more for the military, few in the GOP are complaining about the nation's soaring debt.

The tea partyers and other conservatives who seized control of the House in 2010 have morphed into Ronald Reagan-style supply-siders while the GOP's numerous Pentagon pals run roughshod over the few holdouts. Tax cuts in the works could add hundreds of billions of dollars to the debt while bipartisan pressure for more money for defense, infrastructure and domestic agencies could mean almost $100 billion in additional spending next year alone.

The bottom line: The $20 trillion national debt promises to spiral ever higher with Republicans controlling both Congress and the White House.

"Republicans gave up on caring about deficits long ago," bemoaned Republican Sen. Rand Paul of Kentucky, who was elected in the 2010 tea party class.

It's a far cry from the Newt Gingrich-led GOP revolution that stormed Washington two decades ago with a mandate to balance the budget and cut taxes at the same time. Or even from Republicans of 2001, who enthusiastically cut taxes under President George W. Bush, but only at a moment when the government was flush with money.

Now, deficits are back with a vengeance. Medicare and Social Security are drawing closer to insolvency. Fiscal hawks and watchdogs like the Congressional Budget Office warn that the debt is eventually going to drag the economy down.

But like Obama and Bush before him, Trump isn't talking about deficits. Neither much are voters.

"Voters, frankly, after these huge deficits, are saying, 'Well, how much do deficits really matter?'" said former Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa., a two-time presidential candidate. "We're not Greece yet, right?"

Topping the immediate agenda, however, is a debt-financed drive to overhaul the tax system.

Top Capitol Hill Republicans such as House Speaker Paul Ryan of Wisconsin and Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky had promised for months that a tax overhaul would not add to the deficit, with rate cuts financed by closing loopholes and other steps.

Instead, Republicans are talking about tax cuts whose costs to the debt — still under negotiation — would be justified by assumptions of greater economic growth.

"We want pro-growth tax reform that will get the economy going, that will get people back to work, that will give middle-income taxpayers a tax cut and that will put American businesses in a better competitive playing field so that we keep American businesses in America," Ryan said in an AP Newsmakers interview this past week. "That's more important than anything else."

He backed off months of promises that the Republicans' tax plan won't add to the nation's ballooning deficit.

The GOP moves could justify $800 billion or so in tax cuts over 10 years, but the administration is pressing behind the scenes to push the envelope well beyond that range.

"They're starting to talk about tax cuts instead of tax reform," said former Sen. John Sununu, R-N.H. "When people are desperate to find legislation that they can pass they tend to take the easy path."

Among the few deficit hawk holdouts is Sen. Bob Corker, R-Tenn., a key vote on the Senate Budget Committee, who's been pumping the brakes on taxes, a stand that's earned him face-to-face meetings with both Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin and Trump himself. Corker says he believes in some adjustments but doesn't want to "let this just be party time that just takes us no place but massive deficits down the road."

Trump's election has GOP military hawks pressing to shovel enormous amounts of money into the Pentagon — about $90 billion over the stringent spending limits set by the hard-won 2011 deficit control effort. Republican demands for spending cuts as the price of lifting the government's debt limit and averting a market-rattling default on U.S. obligations pushed negotiations perilously close to a market crisis that summer.

The unpopular leftover from the 2011 agreement are those spending limits, which if violated would be enforced by across-the-board spending cuts. Republicans want to scrap them, at least for military money.

Doubts arise on whether corporate tax cut would boost growth

By Josh Boak
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President Donald Trump talks with reporters after landing on Air Force One Thursday in Fort Myers, Fla. Trump has taken a hard stand that slashing the corporate tax rate from 35 percent to as low as 15 percent would free up cash at these companies. The money would seep into worker paychecks and hiring would accelerate. "We're going to have magnificent growth," Trump declared aboard Air Force One on Thursday. "We're going to go like a rocket ship." But several economists, tax experts and even some business owners say that's unlikely.

WASHINGTON — For President Donald Trump, what's good for General Motors is great for American workers. Same for Boeing. And AT&T. Not to mention small businesses.

Trump insists that slashing the corporate tax rate from 35 percent to as low as 15 percent would free up valuable cash. Companies would use the money to boost investment, increase employees' pay, accelerate hiring and speed economic growth. What's more, corporations that now keep trillions overseas to avoid U.S. taxes would bring the money home. American companies could better compete with rivals based in countries with lower tax rates.

"We're going to have magnificent growth," Trump declared aboard Air Force One on Thursday. "We're going to go like a rocket ship."

Would we? Many economists, tax experts and even some business owners say it's unlikely. Rather than hire, companies might use much of their tax savings to buy back their stock or increase their dividends to investors. Many companies, they note, have already been able to borrow at historically low rates to expand their businesses yet have chosen not to.

"The mainstream economic evidence is that the bulk of corporate tax cuts go exactly to whom you would expect — which is wealthy investors and executives," said Chye-Ching Huang, deputy director of federal tax policy at the left-leaning Center on Budget and Policy Priorities.

Many economists foresee some benefits from overhauling and simplifying the corporate tax code, just not the extreme growth Trump is promising.

One reason corporate tax cuts might provide little overall benefit is the relative health of today's economy. Unemployment is already unusually low at 4.4 percent. The economy is in the ninth year of a slow but steady expansion, rather than in a downturn in which tax cuts might deliver a major boost.

In a 2014 paper, two economists — Alexander Ljungqvist of New York University and Michael Smolyansky of the Federal Reserve — concluded that state corporate tax cuts did little to strengthen economic activity unless the cuts were made during a recession. (The flip side is that they found corporate tax increases to be "uniformly harmful.")

Nor have previous efforts to reduce corporate taxes generally delivered as advertised. Kansas, for example, exempted hundreds of thousands of businesses from corporate taxes and cut individual rates in 2012, only to face a revenue squeeze as the intended economic growth never materialized.

The federal government provided a tax "holiday" on overseas profits in 2004 to bring money back into the United States at a discount to the 35 percent rate. But the Obama administration observed later that the move had diminished tax revenue and unintentionally led companies to hoard cash abroad in hopes of receiving that discount.

There is also concern that a corporate tax cut would swell the federal budget deficit. When the nonpartisan Tax Policy Center published an analysis this week, it found that even if virtually all tax breaks were eliminated, the corporate rate could drop only to 26 percent without increasing the deficit.

Still, many companies stress that lower business taxes would lead to more hiring. John Stephens, AT&T's chief financial officer, said his company faces a typical tax rate of 34 percent — including federal, state, foreign and deferred taxes — in any given year.

Stephens estimates that lower rates would lead the company to immediately invest more money in its phone network, which he said would lead to more hiring by companies that work with AT&T.

"When we buy more equipment, our vendors hire more," Stephens said. "When we build more extensive networks, we have people — hard-hat jobs — building those networks."

The AT&T executive added that "anything" would be an improvement on the current corporate tax rate of 35 percent.

But like many corporations, AT&T also benefited substantially from tax breaks between 2008 and 2015, saving as much as than $38 billion, according to an analysis by the left-leaning Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy. The administration has yet to spell out all the possible tax breaks that would be eliminated to pay for lower rates.

Even if the tax rates were slashed substantially, not all companies would see much of a reason to hire more workers. Bill Parks, who owns NRS, an Idaho-based boating gear company, says the tax cuts championed by Trump would no longer do much to help his business.

Years ago, the lower rates would have helped him because he was maxing out his personal credit cards and taking a second mortgage to fund NRS. But today's borrowing rates are so low that investing in workers isn't a burden, and tax changes would make little difference to his plans based on how his company is structured.

Gary Cohn, Trump's top economic adviser, has argued that the planned tax cuts would help small businesses. By cutting taxes on profits that typically double as the owners' personal income, those companies would then be able to hire more freely. This assumes that business owners want to expand their payroll rather than just enjoy higher profits.

Larry Summers, a Democratic former Treasury secretary, this month rattled off a list of reasons to reporters why lower corporate tax rates wouldn't deliver as promised.

Though U.S. companies do face a high rate compared with other countries, Summers said, the fraction of profits being paid in federal taxes is low by historical standards. Corporate income taxes collected last year equaled just 1.6 percent of the economy, according to government records. That compares with 4 percent during the economic boom that followed World War II, an era of growth that Trump appears to want to revive.

Nor, in Summers' view, would rising stock prices from a lower corporate tax rate shore up the pensions of firefighters, police officers and blue collar workers, as Cohn has argued.

Those few Americans who still have traditional "defined benefit" pensions don't receive any additional income if the stock market rises, Summers said.

"The argument being made that the corporate tax cuts will somehow benefit workers is weak by the standards of 'trickle-down' arguments," Summers said

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Child care choices limited for those working outside 9-to-5

By Sally Ho
Associated Press

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Six-year-old Kiina Amado sits on a swing at the McCarran International Child Development Center Wednesday in Las Vegas. Those who work outside of the 9-to-5 are lost in the national conversation over access to child care and early education. It's true even in Las Vegas, which has the rare offering of 24-hour daycares.

LAS VEGAS — Heather Peele is just like any other mom rushing to pick up her child at day care after work. Except, it's 2:30 a.m., and her 6-year-old daughter has been sleeping for hours at a 24-hour child care center near the Las Vegas airport.

Parents like Peele, a casino cocktail waitress, who work outside traditional business hours, often are lost in the national conversation about access to child care and early education.

"I'm just in survival mode right now," said Peele, who is thankful she found a safe, clean and affordable facility for her daughter while she works, sometimes until 4 a.m. She pays about $40 a day for 10 hours of care.

In many cases, the children of shift workers are cared for by relatives or friends in unofficial capacities. Those without such a support network have few, if any, options.

The National Survey of Early Care and Education said in a 2015 report that just 2 percent of the child care centers it surveyed offer child care in the evening. Six percent provide overnight care and 3 percent have weekend hours.

"It's a huge issue. We have an increasingly service-based economy with non-standard hours, that's more heavily concentrated in lower income groups," said Taryn Morrissey, a child development expert and professor at American University. "The child care sector hasn't really caught up with the realities of hours parents are working."

Sen. Patty Murray, D-Wash., proposed legislation Thursday designed to increase access to affordable child care, including for families that work non-traditional hours. Murray called the bill "a smart investment in our children, our future and our economy," but its future is far from certain in a Republican-controlled Congress.

Child Care Aware of America said that last year at least 65,000 families in 28 states sought child care outside the usual workday. The other states don't keep track, according to Yvette Sanchez Fuentes, deputy chief of public policy and research at the non-profit, which works with state child care referral agencies.

"The systems that we have — day care, Head Start, Pre-K — a lot of that began years and years ago, when we had different needs," Sanchez Fuentes said. "Families are changing and communities are changing."

Even in Las Vegas, an entertainment and gambling destination long notorious for blurring the hours of a day, the availability of 24-hour child care is limited. Peele, a 42-year-old single mother, was sent scrambling when the child care center at the MGM Grand casino-hotel property stopped offering 24-hour service. Day care centers at casinos off the Las Vegas Strip also have closed or cut back hours in recent years. In Nevada, about two dozen out of 450 licensed child care centers are open around the clock.

"I was shocked," Peele said of her few options. "I know I'm not the only one." She enrolled her daughter at the McCarran International Child Development Center, adjacent to but unaffiliated with the airport and just minutes away from the Las Vegas Strip.

The for-profit center opened last year, offering care 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, for up to 12 hours a day per child. It requires just a day's notice for babies, and two-hour notice for kids up to 12 years old. About half of the caregivers have some sort of college education, primarily two-year associates degrees.

Peele's daughter is one of 141 children enrolled.

On a recent weekday evening, five caregivers cared for about two dozen children, ranging in age from infants to school-aged. The kids' art adorned the walls, music played in the background and children ran around playing.

The children were served a dinner of breaded chicken with potatoes. By about 9 p.m., they had brushed their teeth and changed into pajamas for bedtime. Owner Nicolas Del Balso, 64, who retired to Las Vegas after running day care centers in Canada, said staffing the facility is challenging. Many applicants say they're willing to work odd hours only to insist on a daytime schedule after they're hired.

"The labor market is transient and that affects everything," he said. "Your day care is a reflection of your society."

Del Balso said flexibility is critical for the center and its customers. Most day cares that close at a determined time demand promptness, charging by the minute for parents running late.

Precyla Escobar, 24, who works at a hospital lab, said she's dropped off her 2-year-old son, Zeke, at the McCarran center as early as 4 a.m., and picked him up past 7 p.m.

"I feel like they're my family," Escobar said. "It's really hard to find a place that will take care of your kid."

Peele's daughter, Kiina Amado, said she doesn't mind sleeping on a cot alongside a dozen other kids at night. The first-grader and aspiring dentist-dancer said it's hard sometimes to be woken up in the middle of the night to go home. And then there's that other, occasional, problem:

"I forget my pajamas," Kiina said.

Cake maker asks Supreme Court for religious right to refuse gay couple

By David G. Savage
Tribune Washington Bureau

LAKEWOOD, Colo. — "Sorry, guys, I don't make cakes for same-sex weddings."

With that blunt comment, Jack Phillips, a baker who designs custom wedding cakes, sent two men out the door and set off a legal battle between religious liberty and gay rights that comes before the U.S. Supreme Court this fall.

The Trump administration last week sided with Phillips and argued that decorating a wedding cake is a type of "expressive conduct," similar to burning a flag or marching in a parade. If so, they say, the Constitution's free speech protection gives the baker, a devout Christian, the right to refuse to participate in the marriage celebration of two men.

But Colorado has barred Phillips from making any more wedding cakes because he refuses to abide by its civil rights law. Since 2008, it has required public businesses to serve all customers equally and without regard to their sexual orientation. The state, allied with the American Civil Liberties Union, says this case is about discrimination, not the religious liberty of a shop owner.

Faced with the remarkable rise of the gay rights movement, conservative Christians have begun to push back against that argument, saying the nation's tradition of religious liberty should shield them from being forced to endorse or participate in any way in a same-sex marriage.

"Tolerance should be a two-way street," said Kristen Waggoner, lawyer for the Arizona-based Alliance Defending Freedom who represents Phillips. "The First Amendment protects Jack's right to create artistic expression that is consistent with his core convictions."

Louise Melling, deputy director of the ACLU, warned such an exemption would create "a constitutional right to discriminate founded on your religion. What are the limits to that?"

Supporters of Colorado's law worry about how a religious exemption could be applied. Could a landlord turn away unmarried couples? Would a Muslim baker be permitted to refuse service to Jews or Christians, or vice versa?

Until this year, religious rights claims had little success in the courts. Lawyers for Alliance Defending Freedom pressed similar lawsuits on behalf of a photographer in New Mexico and a florist from Washington state. Both lost in state courts. And three years ago, the Supreme Court declined to hear a 1st Amendment claim from the photographer who refused to shoot photos of a commitment ceremony for two women.

The outcome will probably depend on Justice Anthony M. Kennedy, the 80-year-old Republican appointee who engineered the key rulings that decreed equal rights and "dignity" for gays and lesbians. When he joined the court in 1988, the justices had recently dealt a demoralizing defeat to the gay rights movement by upholding state laws that made gay sex a crime. Kennedy, however, had other ideas.

In 1996, he spoke for the court in striking down a Colorado voter initiative that denied gays and lesbians all protections from discrimination. The law was "born of animosity" and cannot stand, Kennedy said. In 2003, his opinion for a 5-4 majority struck down the sex crime laws, which he said "demean" gays and deny them the proper "respect for their private lives."

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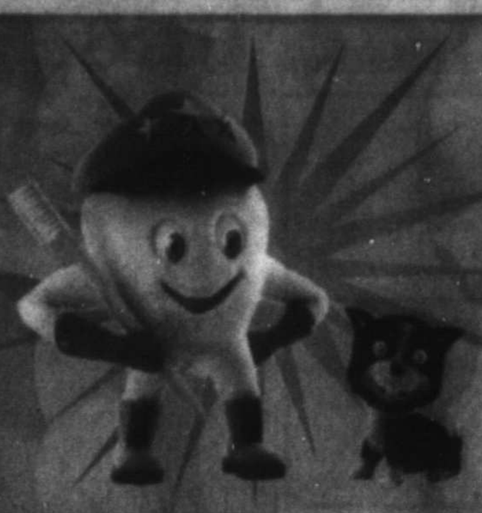

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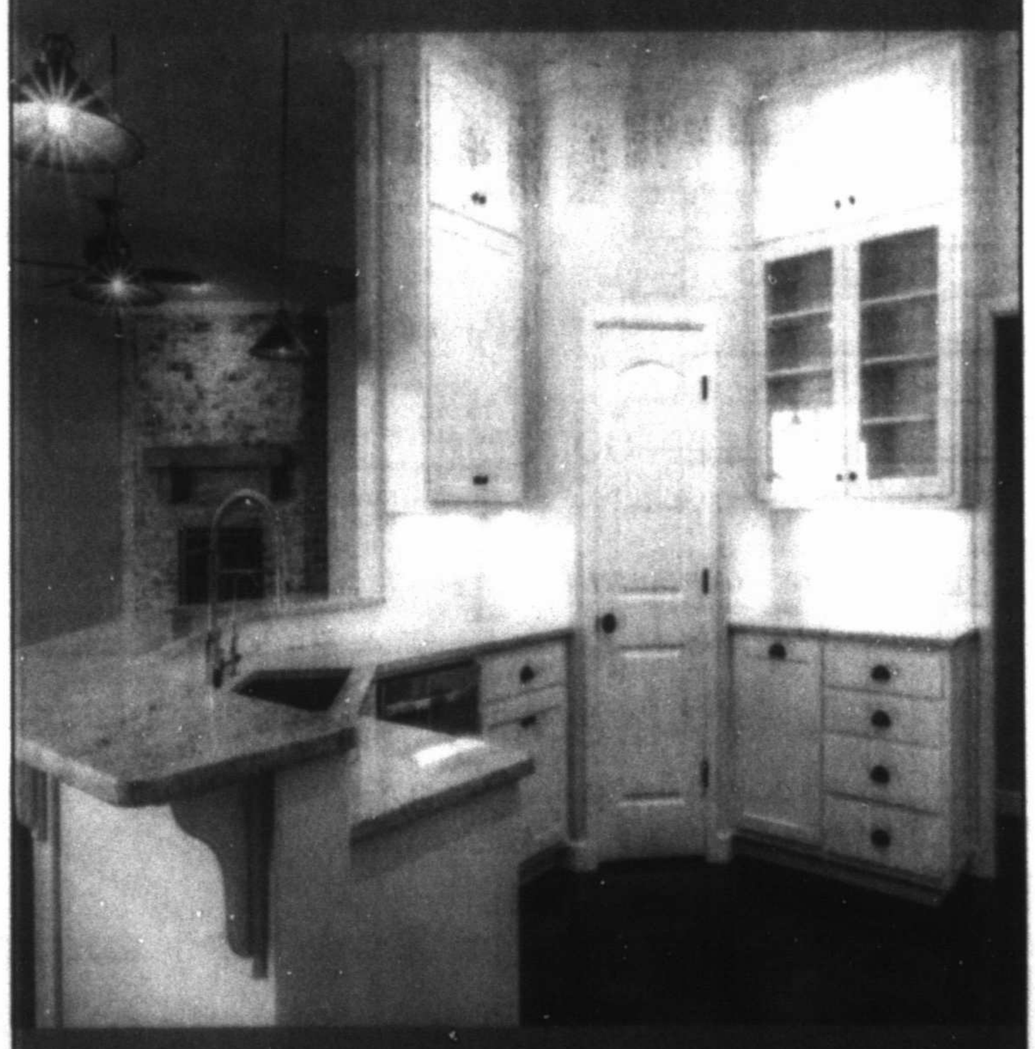

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Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

"BRRR!" By KURT KRAUSS

ACROSS

1 Grand-scale poetry
5 Corrosive stuff
9 Mariner org.
13 Like an eddy
19 An 80-footer is a long one
20 Square to look through
21 Got on in years
22 Old propeller site
23 "Filled pastry
25 Commend
26 "And God Created Woman" (1956) star
27 Done, for Donne
28 Afterthought preceder
29 "Protective sports gear
31 Had a sample
33 Wicklup, e.g.
34 Name of 12 popes
35 Most common draw in Scrabble
36 Hanukkah toy
38 Pope output
39 Intolerant type
41 "Prop in an iconic "Psycho" scene
45 Janvier, across the Pyrenees
46 Old TV knob
47 Gather in bundles
48 Quick-getaway auditorium seat site
50 Bygone
53 Actor Cage, in tabloids
54 CBS golf analyst Baker-Finch
55 Recited confidently
60 Earthquake prefix
62 Wise guy
66 "Ragtime dance
68 "Flower named for a legendary beast
70 __ facto
71 Military camps
73 Farthest from the action, as arena seats
74 Hogwash
75 Photog's item
77 Henri's health
78 Dentist's find
83 Fusion, for one
87 Rap music article
88 Westernmost African capital
89 "Contents of an abandoned one may be sold at auction
93 Ukrainian port, to locals
94 Bowser's brand
96 Flash
97 Astound
98 Hammett hound
99 Soaked
100 DNA component
104 "What will fix mistreaks?
107 Cry to Silver
108 Crime boss
109 Commotion
110 Comparable
111 It ushers in lower temperatures ... and what the answers to starred clues can have
113 Split
114 Dispatch
115 Bellwick
116 Ray, for one
117 Hopper and Gabler
118 Nervous
119 Not
120 Italian noble family

DOWN

1 Spaceship Earth site
2 More refined
3 Ferrell's "SNL" cheerleading partner
4 Penn, e.g.: Abbr.
5 User
6 Corrosive substances
7 Dope
8 Hi-
9 Morgen's opposite
10 Currency exchange fee
11 Attack
12 Ross Sea penguin
13 French clerics
14 Scorch
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16 At risk
17 Former Spanish Sahara territory that is neither a river nor has any gold
18 Tennis calls
24 Sierra __
29 Ottoman bigwig
30 Doo-wop syllable
32 Uncle of Prince Wm.
33 "Take it"
37 "Well, that's obvious"
38 Game equipment
39 Wanna-__: poseurs
40 Pull
41 Hip sound?
42 Stay out of sight
43 Waiters take them
44 "We Try Harder" company
48 Reading lights
49 Battery pole
51 Nevada city on I-80
52 Born
54 Golfer Ackl
56 Salon specialists
57 Four Holy Roman emperors
58 Campus house, maybe
59 Clothshorse
61 Quaint lodging
62 Cass room
63 Tommy Lee Jones' "Man in Black" role
64 "Faust" author
65 Win the love of
67 Beliefs
69 NFL ball carriers
72 Spanish wine descriptor
76 More unpleasant, as details
78 Stink
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80 Like kebabs
81 "Lawyer's backlog
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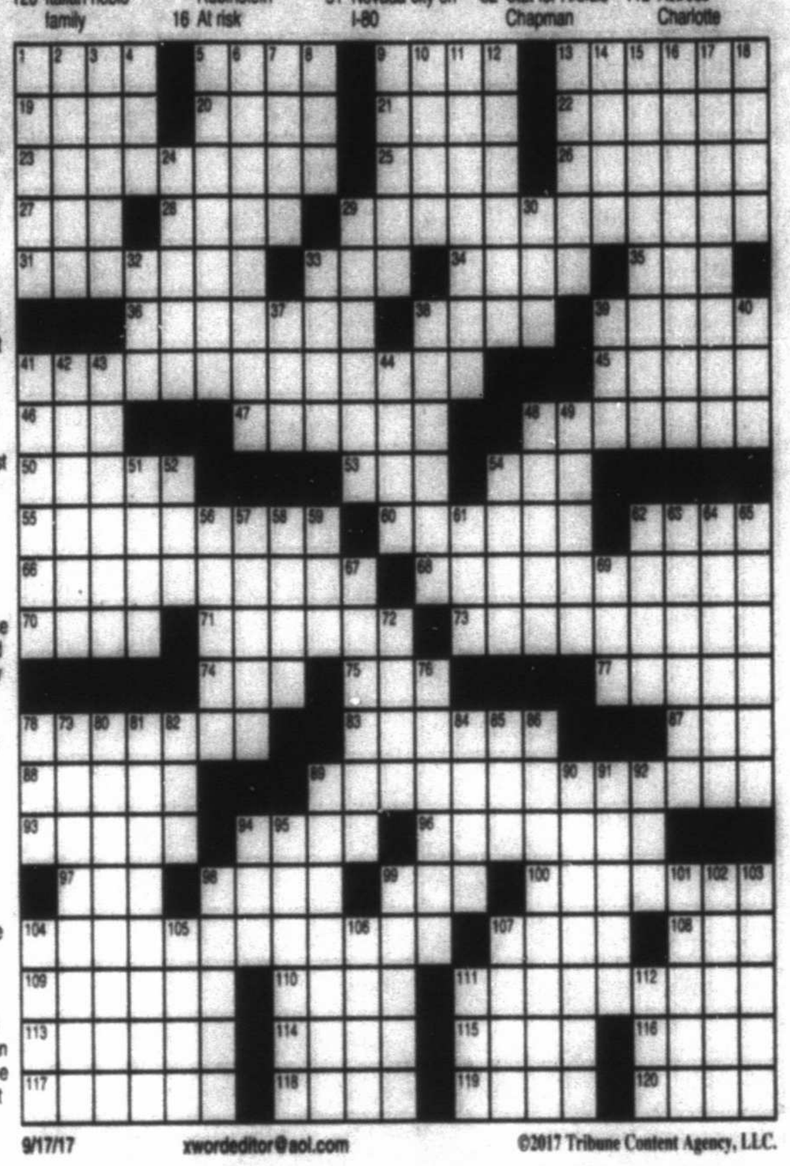

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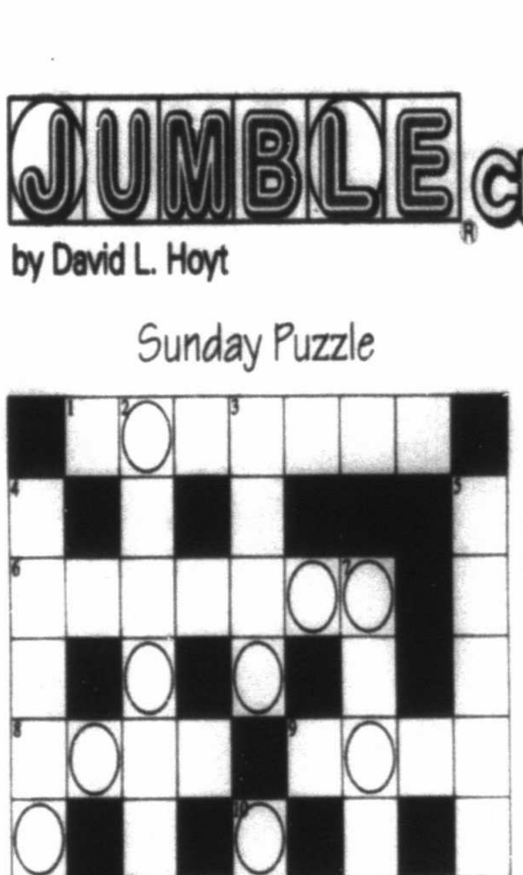

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11. Skull	ARNMUIC
12 ___ sofa	SRELEEP

DOWN

CLUE	ANSWER
2 ___ band	SACITLE
3. Split ___ fence	AIRL
4. Type of scarf	FEUMRLF
5. ___ car	MNOCEYO
7. Adding ___	NIHCAEM
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Car alliance bets on spike in electric cars

By Angela Charlton and Masha Macpherson
Associated Press

PARIS — The Renault-Nissan-Mitsubishi alliance is gambling that mass-market drivers are going to pivot soon to electric cars, announcing plans Friday to produce 12 new electric models by 2022 and to make electric cars 30 percent of its overall output.

The carmakers — who collectively sold more vehicles than any other company in the world in the first half of this year — also announced plans to make "robo-taxis," driverless public transport vehicles and autonomous cars aimed at middle-class consumers.

The announcements are part of an overall strategic plan released Friday, aimed at taking advantage of the alliance's growing reach after taking over Mitsubishi last year to consolidate its position and make electric and driverless cars more affordable. They also unveiled a new logo for the three-way alliance and renamed it Renault-Nissan-Mitsubishi.

CEO Carlos Ghosn is betting that upcoming government restrictions on diesel and gasoline cars will push drivers to go electric instead.

"We don't know how much time it's going to take ... but this is coming," Ghosn told The Associated Press in an interview. Britain and France have decided to ban new diesel and gasoline car sales from 2040 and China is considering a similar move.

"People are looking a little bit further in to the future, saying, 'I'm going to go electric because I don't want to have the problem with the car I have today three, four years down the road,'" he said.

All major car companies are trying to position themselves to profit from the expected but unpredictable and chaotic changes overtaking the industry: autonomous cars, connected cars that share data, car-sharing where you don't own a vehicle but order one by app, and low-emissions vehicles demanded by the European Union to fight climate change and by China, where many cities are fighting rampant pollution.

At the Frankfurt auto show this week, several car manufacturers vaunted electric and other low-emissions technology strategies. Volkswagen AG notably announced a long-term electrification campaign, saying its brands would introduce 80 new electric vehicles by 2025.

Renault-Nissan-Mitsubishi aims to increase the range of its electric cars to more than 600 kilometers, smaller batteries and speeded-up charging time. It wants 15 minutes of charging time to allow 140 miles of range, up from 55 miles of range now.

Nissan was at first a leader in electric car with the Leaf, but it has been overtaken by GM's Bolt in terms of range and even the new Leaf does not quite catch up.

Ghosn said electric car sales are growing by more than 50 percent annually in some European markets, and that his alliance is watching China's emissions policies closely.

At a conference in Paris, the alliance announced that through 2022 it will also expand development of vehicles with different levels of autonomous technology, starting with partial human monitoring and ending with a fully driverless car that can ride on highways.

It said it is seeking to be a "key operator" of driverless ride-hailing services and to provide autonomous vehicles for public transit and car-sharing. It did not provide specific targets or potential partners.

Ghosn said the alliance is aiming to save about $12 billion annually by 2022, notably by sharing more production platforms, purchasing and engineering, and through "human resources." He didn't elaborate on where potential job cuts might hit.

Federal E-Verify law would mean major changes for US employers

By Tim Henderson
Stateline.org

WASHINGTON — Only a handful of states require all employers to screen workers to make sure they are in the country legally, but that could change soon.

Spurred by the Trump administration's crackdown on illegal immigration, Congress is set to debate a national E-Verify mandate that would require every U.S. employer to use the federal online service to screen all new hires and, for the first time, allow the screening of current employees.

Seven states in the South (Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee) and two in the West (Arizona and Utah) already require private employers to use E-Verify. But enforcement has been inconsistent, largely because state officials can't access E-Verify records to make sure employers are checking new hires. Advocates for the system say a federal mandate likely would boost compliance across the country.

"It's cumbersome for states to know whether employers are actually complying," said Madeline Zavodny, an economics professor at Georgia's Agnes Scott College who has studied the issue.

Employers in states that mandate the use of E-Verify are more likely to screen applicants. Between October 2016 and June 2017, 70 percent of all hires in the South were screened with E-Verify, compared to only 39 percent in the Northeast, where no states require E-Verify, according to a Stateline analysis of screening data from E-Verify and federal hiring data for the same period.

Nationally, 57 percent of jobs are now screened with E-Verify, up from half in 2015 and about 30 percent in 2010.

But a study of seven of the nine E-Verify states released earlier this month by the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas suggests that state mandates have had mixed results. (Support for the study was provided by The Pew Charitable Trusts, which also funds Stateline.) The study did not include Louisiana or Tennessee, because those states have allowed businesses to use screening methods other than E-Verify.

Dallas Fed researchers determined that the mandate either reduced or slowed the growth of the population of unauthorized immigrants in Alabama, Arizona, Mississippi and Utah.

But there was no significant change in Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina, even though Georgia and South Carolina have done more than most other states to enforce the law. (Georgia did have fewer unauthorized workers than projected without the law, but the total number of unauthorized immigrants in the state was unchanged.)

In 1986, the federal Immigration Reform and Control Act made it illegal to knowingly hire unauthorized workers. But in states that don't mandate E-Verify screening, employers may hire workers with falsified paperwork and still comply with federal law, because they are not knowingly violating it. Furthermore, E-Verify cannot be used to screen existing employees — only new hires.

Pro-immigration activists say they oppose a national E-Verify mandate unless it includes some kind of help for the unauthorized workers who are already here.

"There are millions and millions of people in that situation and millions of employers who depend on their labor," said Jessie Hahn, an employment policy attorney at the National Immigration Law Center.

Without legal work status for those already here, Hahn said, E-Verify means "shifting people into the underground economy where they're not paying taxes and they're more vulnerable to abuse."

However, some longtime opponents of E-Verify recently have changed sides. Some business groups, for example, now say they would prefer a national standard to rules that vary by state and are hard to enforce.

Many small businesses such as restaurants, hotels and janitorial services have changed their minds because they're afraid of being raided and closed down under an immigration crackdown, said Tamar Jacoby, president of ImmigrationWorks USA, a federation of small business owners that advocates for an expansion of legal immigration and guest worker programs.

"It will change the way companies do business, but I think Americans in general want to move toward a legal workforce," Jacoby said. "Small business has been through a process the last few years — the employers who use it have been telling other employers that, yes, it's a hassle at first and takes some time to set up, but then you can sleep at night."

In return for supporting an E-Verify mandate, small businesses are hoping for a new visa making it legal for them to hire temporary foreign workers, much like the H-2A visas used for temporary farmworkers, Jacoby said.

Despite the Trump administration's support for a national E-Verify mandate, and support from groups advocating limited immigration like the Center for Immigration Studies and the Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR), opinion is not unanimous, even on the conservative side.

"It's an intrusive labor market regulation that raises the cost of hiring," said Alex Nowrasteh, an immigration policy analyst at the libertarian Cato Institute who wrote a report in July making the case that E-Verify doesn't help lower unemployment. A competing report in March 2017 from FAIR argues that E-Verify will boost employment for U.S. citizens.

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce, which sued unsuccessfully to stop Arizona's law requiring E-Verify in 2010, lobbied Congress against a national E-Verify mandate between 2006 and 2009.

But in 2015 the group made an about-face and supported the idea of a national E-Verify plan, citing a change in opinion among both small and large businesses.

"The No. 1 concern expressed by chamber members regarding the expansion of E-Verify was to ensure there was a uniform national policy," Randel K. Johnson, a senior vice president for the group, said at the time. "The patchwork of state laws and policies that relate to employment verification and E-Verify is a hindrance to the business community."

Even though a federal law would pre-empt state laws on E-Verify, the bill as now written would allow states to continue with their own enforcement efforts. States could still require E-Verify compliance for business licenses as Georgia does, or audit compliance as South Carolina and Tennessee do, and levy fines and keep the revenue.

Georgia requires all employers to show E-Verify compliance before getting a business license and monitors cities and counties that issue licenses to ensure they comply. Georgia has by far the largest number of E-Verify checks in recent months at 2.4 million — more than California, which has four times as many workers.

"It was a very big deal in the state when the law went into effect" in 2011, said Zavodny, the Agnes Scott professor. "The press coverage was really big, and you do see signs in a lot of windows of stores and restaurants saying they use it."

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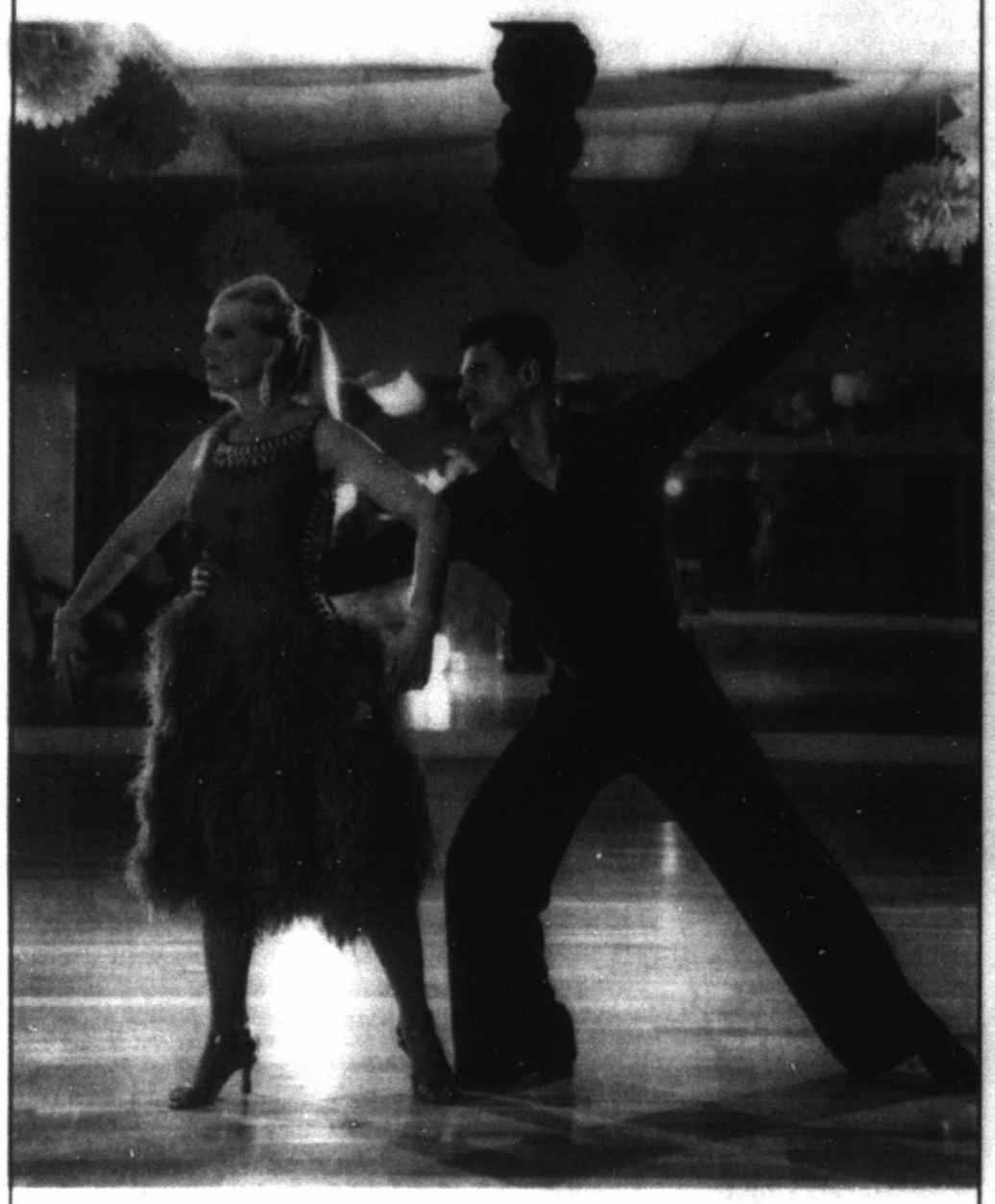

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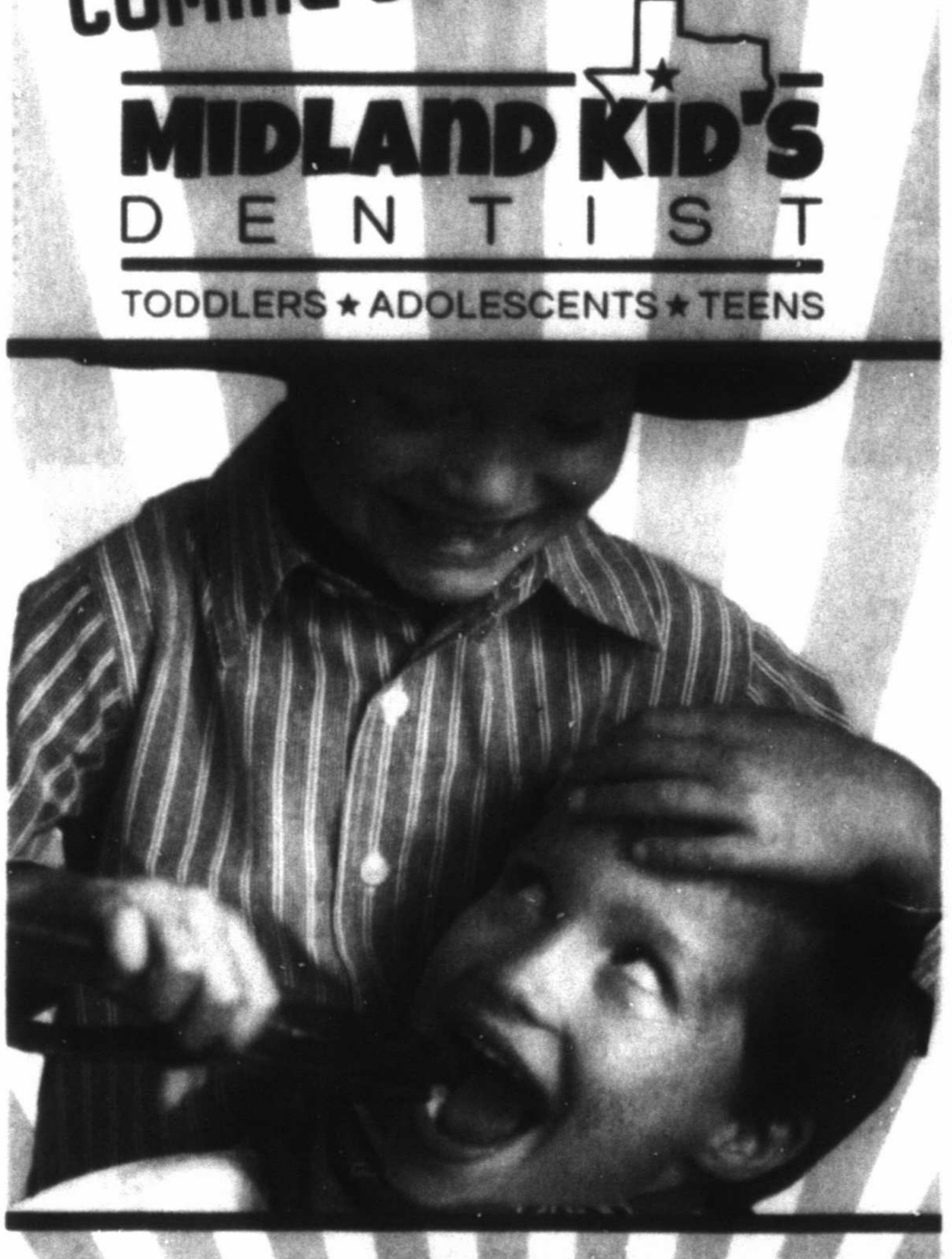

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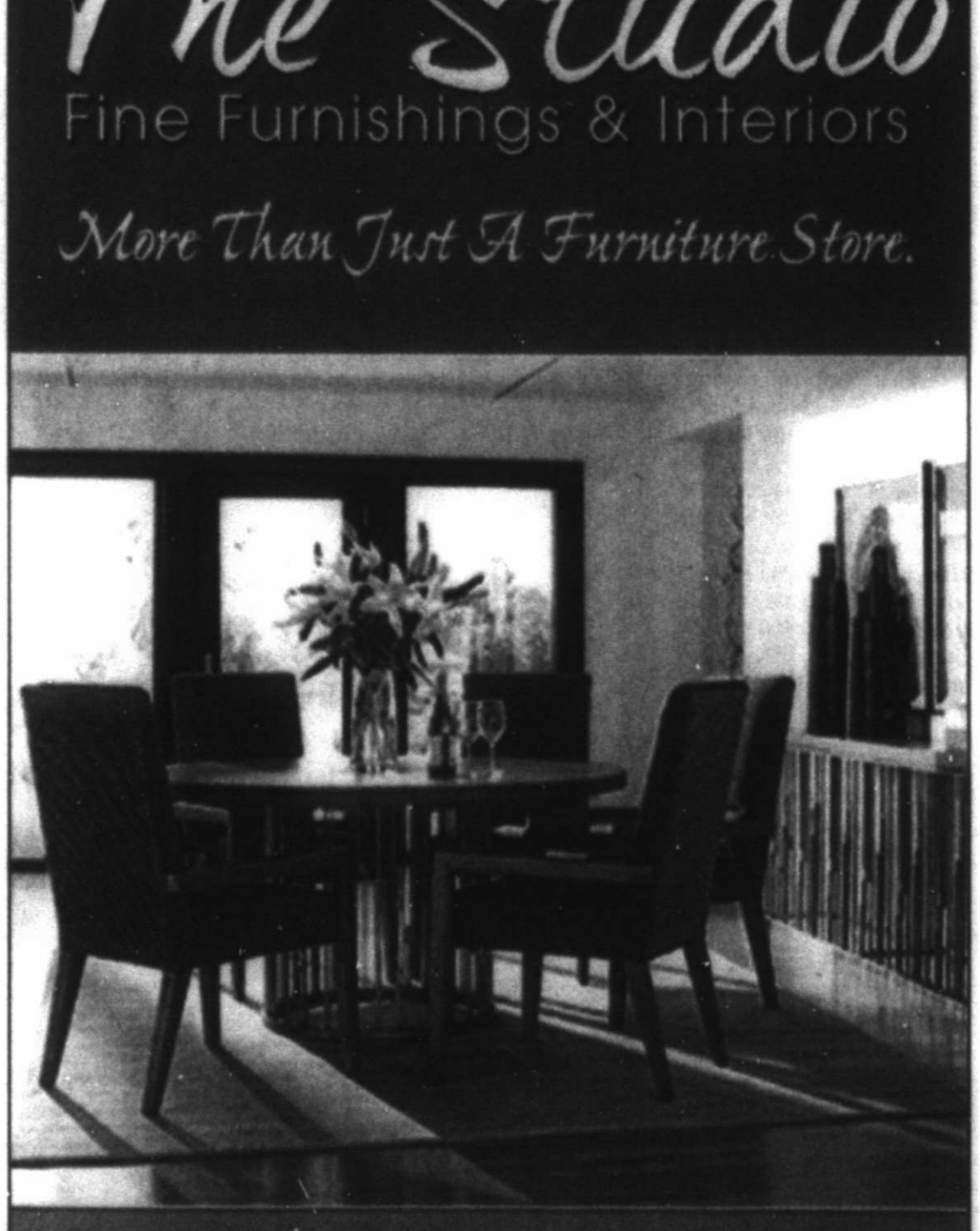

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Drug court allows people to get life back in order

MISTY BORLAND PHIFFER
Midland attorney

Editor's note: Following is another in the series on criminal justice reform

A little over a year ago, my husband and I went from a family of four to a family of six in the course of about three hours. We were not looking to become foster parents, but God had other plans. We were unexpectedly placed in a position of either stepping up and stepping in or watching two children be separated, not only from their mother but also from each other, and moved to different parts of the state. We chose to open our home and our hearts. It was during this time that we were introduced to the system currently in place for handling alcohol- and drug-related offenses, and how that works, or doesn't work, with child protective services and child custody issues.

We watched as a parent lost her children to the state through a series of poor choices brought about by her addictions. We then had a front row seat to her struggles to pay her debt to society, and regain and rebuild her life while trying to win back her children. Please believe me when I say it was a struggle, from beginning to end. She did the crime, and I'm not saying she did not deserve to do the time. However, I came to realize during this journey that defendants like her, individuals willing to accept responsibility for their actions and whose crimes resulted from their addictions, should be handled differently than other criminals like molesters or murderers. This mother deeply loves her children, and she loved them even when her choices possibly put them in danger. She is an alcoholic. This is not an excuse. It is a fact. What she needed after her arrest was discipline, not just punishment. Discipline that included help and guidance, counseling and practical assistance. She did not simply need to be punished. If she had just been "punished" in the traditional manner, then the end result would probably have been the permanent loss of her children and her becoming a permanent burden upon our society. This would have been a tragedy, for her and for them, as they also loved their mother.

Our current court system is not set up to offer this kind of discipline, not just punishment, in any kind of a seamless or standardized way. I have looked at the proposed drug court system, and I believe that had this been in place when we were navigating the courts and the foster system, the eventual positive outcome for this mother and these children would have been much easier to obtain. It would have helped her, it would have helped us, and it would have helped her children, then and in the long run. This lady persevered and is now reunited with her children, and by the grace of God and her hard work has been clean for over a year. But the truth is, she could have and most likely would have been derailed in this journey a long time ago if there had not been a helping hand at so many different stops along the way. These helping hands are not there for most people in these situations as these acts of support and assistance for her came from individuals in our community. A drug court is intended to fill this gap for other, less fortunate individuals who find themselves in similar situations.

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CRISIS CREDENTIALS

Melissa Phillip / Houston Chronicle

Mackenzie Breeding, 9, of Tomball carries a bag of clothing past pews filled with diapers, as volunteers organize donations at St. Mary's Episcopal Church on Aug. 30 in Cypress. More than 120 people were temporarily sheltered at the church during flooding. There is an outpouring of donations after Hurricane Harvey.

Take time to know where your Harvey donations are going

KEN HERMAN
Austin American-Statesman

At yet another tricky intersection of church and state — in this case church and city — Austin's mayor in recent days asked the Austin Disaster Relief Network to make it clear that volunteers for its Hurricane Harvey relief efforts don't have to adhere to the organization's Christian values.

"I'm glad that ADRN has always welcomed volunteers in a disaster regardless of religious beliefs," Mayor Steve Adler said Tuesday. "I was not personally comfortable sending folks to an organization that was not welcoming to all who want to help, and I'm glad to find out that the impression that this was not the case was the result of confusion due to website layout and not exclusionary policies.

"ADRN is doing great work," Adler said, "and I'm glad to be able to support their efforts."

The network's executive director, Daniel Geraci, acknowledged his organization had not made it as clear as possible that it offers two volunteer pathways. The one that requires adherence to its religious values is for permanent volunteers. But the network now is welcoming, without requiring adherence to its religious principles, "community volunteers" for its ongoing Hurricane Harvey relief efforts.

This is good. Folks still reeling from the storm's impact needs all the help they can get, regardless of the religious views of anybody involved.

The city, until Monday, had included the network on its Harvey relief website, noting the nonprofit "is accepting monetary and survivor item donations." City spokesman David Green said the Austin Disaster Relief Network was removed from the website "after looking at existing need."

"They were who we had been directing the community for handling physical donations of supplies," Green said. "As our op-

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MELANIE NICHOLAS
Columnist

Favorite book brings back memories, helps create new ones

When I was a child, my grandparents lived on a cattle ranch in Central Texas. It was close enough to Midland that we went to visit regularly. Every holiday, spring break and summer, too. Like all the other men in my family, my brother worked there on those visits, herding cattle, feeding cows, running the tractor, panting fences and pens.

As a girl, and the last granddaughter, I didn't have to do any of that. I went shopping with my Mamo at the M&M Shop in Brownwood, helped her with the groceries at Piggly Wiggly, watered plants. But mostly, I remember playing. She had this incredibly green, thick Bermuda grass in her yard. Bermuda has that incredible ability to be ticklish and prickly at the same time, and I loved to be barefoot in it. When I wasn't outside, I loved to spend time digging through her game closet. It's where all the toys and books and games she collected for her grandkids were housed.

The grands passed lots of time with the game closet. Games were not my thing. My brother regularly beat me playing Battleship, my cousin Reagan beat everyone when we played the marble game Wahoo. And I lacked the patience and hand-eye coordination to be the stellar coloring artist my cousin Shawn was. My favorite things in the game closet were the books. My Mamo had a great collection of Little Golden Books. I loved the "Little Red Hen," "We Like Kindergarten" and "The Poky Little Puppy."

But my favorite was always "My Little Golden Storybook About God." The illustrations by Eloise Wilkin resonated with me. There was just something magical about the scenes she created. Pudgy fingers, soft round cheeks, sweet-faced animals. Flowers and green, green grass like my Mamo's. I could spend hours

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Runners head to Marathon for a marathon

TUMBLEWEED SMITH
Columnist

The town of Marathon has had a marathon race since 2003.

"We run a full marathon, a half-marathon, a 10K and a 5K," said Marci Roberts, who is in charge of the race. "We bus all of our racers from Marathon north on Highway 385 and let them off at different starting points along the way. They all have one finish line and it's right here in the heart of Marathon."

Since Marci took over the race a couple of years ago, the number of participants has increased. Registration is underway now.

"The race takes place on Oct. 21 this year. It's on a Saturday. If you go to marathon2marathon.net you'll get all the information you need and you can register right there."

In the past, the race attracted runners mostly from major Texas cities.

"Then we started getting runners from out of state, and now we're getting them from out of the country. This is a Boston Marathon qualifier."

Registration ranges from $35 to $95 with proceeds going to Marathon schools, churches, the library and fire department.

"This is not the typical race you find in a big city where your contribution isn't really felt. Here it is hugely felt. The whole town comes out for it. It's the biggest event we have. It's a very heartfelt, sweet race because we only have 430 people living in town. We have a 100 volunteers for the race. We had 502 registrations last year."

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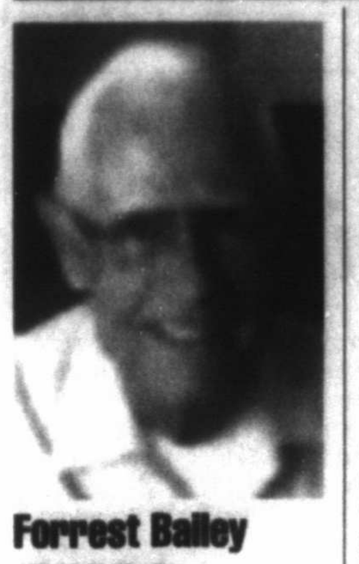


Forrest Bailey "Top" Hale

1928 - 2017

Forrest Bailey "Top" Hale of Midland, Texas passed away on September 15, 2017 at the age of 89 years old.

Top was born April 3, 1928 in Clyde, Texas to Roscar Amos and Thelma Estelle Hale and moved to Midland at an early age to make his permanent home.

After graduating from Midland High School, he entered the United States Army on October 5, 1950 and was given an Honorable Discharge on October 6, 1952 after serving as a radio operator during the Korean War.

On November 12, 1953 he married Wanda Jo Hankla and they spent 60 wonderful years together before her passing in 2014.

Top was a Commercial Printer employed with Qualified Printers and after his retirement he drove the Special Needs School Bus and loved all the children who touched his heart every day. When he no longer drove the bus, he then signed on as a School Crossing Guard and finally retired again at 82 years old.

He loved the outdoors and spent many years hunting, fishing, and camping with his four daughters. He also had a great love of gardening and the family was never without an abundance of fresh vegetables. He loved country music and was still singing and dancing every chance he got with all of his friends at Polo Park Estates. Top taught all of his girls how to country western dance and traveled many miles listening to his youngest daughter play fiddle, drums, and guitar while singing like the angel she was.

Top is preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Tom, Leroy, Peck; one sister, Ruby; his wife "Jo;" and his youngest daughter, Amy Lou Hale.

He is survived by daughters, Bonny Jane Gibson and husband Jeff, Sarah Belle Davis, and Leasa Jo Freeman and husband Rick; grandchildren, Amanda Burnum and husband Ron, Tori Brumfield and husband Derek, Cody Davis and wife Stephanie, and TSgt Jordon Lloyd and husband TSgt. Scott Lloyd of the United States Air Force, Derrick Freeman and wife Angie, and Rachel Freeman; and great-grandchildren, Kendall Brumfield, Jake Davis, Asher Davis, Issac Freeman, Jacob Freeman, Mykaila Rodriguezm and Duke Rodriguez.

Top is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and many dear friends.

The family of Top wishes to thank everyone for their outpouring of love, support, and prayers in the loss of a great man. Special thanks to Lamun Lusk Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home staff.

Family requests any donations to be sent to Home Hospice of Midland or Big Spring.

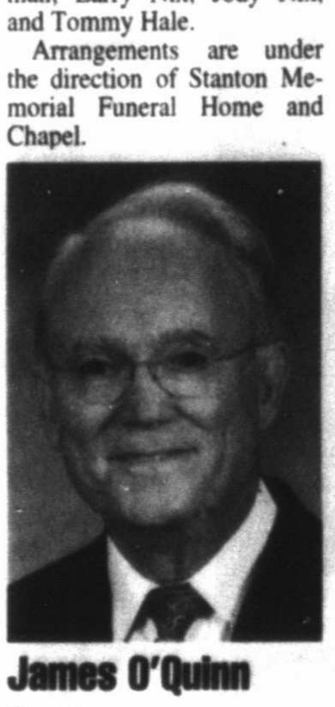
Graveside services and Military Honors will be Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Visitations will be Sunday, September 17, 2017 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Stanton Memorial Funeral Home and Chapel, 408 N. St. Peter, Stanton, TX.

Serving as pallbearers are Ron Burnum, Cody Davis, Michael Hale, John Michael Hale, Braden McAfee, and Tommy Scott.

Honorary Pallbearers are Scott Lloyd, Derrick Freeman, Larry Nix, Jody Nix, and Tommy Hale.

Arrangements are under the direction of Stanton Memorial Funeral Home and Chapel.



James O'Quinn Reese

Jim Reese (James O'Quinn Reese) passed away peacefully with his family by his side this past Friday, September 15, 2017.

A former Mayor of Odessa, Jim was a devoted husband, caring father, proud grandfather, blessed great-grandfather, successful business man, and a loving friend.

Jim was born in Comanche County, Texas on December 14, 1929 to Arvil (Fisher) and Mary Louise Reese. Because Fisher worked on the railroad, Jim attended over 15 schools before finally graduating from Gustine High School at the age of 16. He then spent two years at Howard Payne University in Brownwood, Texas, before transferring to the University of Texas at Austin, where he obtained a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree.

At the University of Texas, Jim happened upon Jayne Damron while out for a walk and it was love at first sight. Jim and Jayne tied the knot on September 14, 1951 and immediately moved to Evanston, Illinois where Jim completed a Master of Arts degree from Northwestern University, with a focus on radio and television.

From 1953 to 1955, Jim served in the United States Air Force in Tripoli, Libya amongst other locales.

After his discharge from the Air Force, Jim began his broadcasting career at KCBD-TV Channel 11, the NBC affiliate in Lubbock, Texas. He then worked for a number of news stations before moving to Odessa, where he would be a sports anchorman from 1956 to 1964 at KOSA-TV, Channel 7. After eight years, Jim left the station to become a stockbroker at Eppler, Guerin and Turner (EGT). He became a very successful broker, eventually managing the Odessa office.

Jim devoted much time to the Junior Chamber International (Jaycees), and was President of the local Jaycee chapter as well as a national vice president. His involvement with the Jaycees eventually led Jim to run for Mayor of Odessa in 1968, winning by a large margin. Throughout his terms as Mayor of Odessa, Jim brought many economic and social benefits to the city, including the city's first 911 emergency service, dempsey dumpster trash containers, and those large wind resistant traffic light signals you see today. He also played a significant role in bringing the University of Texas-Permian Basin to Odessa.

Jim enjoyed a long and successful career in politics, running for United States Congress twice, as well as the Texas Senate, in addition to serving on the State Republican Executive Committee for many years. Shifting his focus private business in 1982, Jim opened Penatek Industries, a centrifugal casting foundry in Odessa, where he worked until he retired in 2015.

Jim was an extremely talented singer and actor as evidenced by his long time involvement with the Permian Playhouse. He showed his passion and support for the Playhouse by participating in their shows and also helping to raise funds for the permanent Permian Playhouse theater, located on 42nd Street in Odessa.

He was an avid golfer and played in many golf tournaments throughout the region, winning multiple titles including the Muleskinner tournament with his brother-in-law and best friend Sam Damron in Muleshoe. He supported the YMCA of Odessa and helped raise funds for the building and construction of the current YMCA of Odessa located on University Street.

Jim's contributions to television, politics, and business in West Texas were substantial. However, in his own mind, his greatest accomplishment in the community was, in part, a response to he and Jayne having a special needs daughter, Lori Jan. He became involved with the Permian Basin Rehabilitation Center. Not only did he serve on the board of the PBRC, he also hosted the Easter Seals Telethon, benefitting the center, for 35 years. Many years, the Permian Basin telethon raised more money per capita than any telethon in the country. His charismatic personality lifted the spirits of everyone around him and he tirelessly worked to raise money and support for the Rehab Center.

Jim is preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Jayne; daughter, Lori Jan Reese; sister-in-law, Billie Joan Smith and her husband John; sister-in-law, Elaine Damron; and son-in-law, William Robert (Bill) Rigney.

Jim is survived by his daughter, Greta Rigney of Midland and her three sons and their families, Joe Rigney and wife Jenny of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and their sons Sam and Peter, Robby Rigney and wife Alison of Midland and their son Will, and Daniel Rigney and wife Kayla of Midland and their son William. He is also survived by his son, James "Rocky" Reese and wife Carol of Horseshoe Bay, Texas and their three daughters and their families, Bethany Gibson and husband Aaron of Andrews with their children, Caroline, Hannah, Natalie and Rhett, their daughter Susan Schultz and husband Tommy of Marble Falls, Texas and their children Parker and Penny, Allison Farmer and husband Justin of Atlanta, Georgia and their children Sarah Kate, James and Wallace - a total of six grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

He is also survived by his brother-in-law and close friend, Sam Damron.

Jim was a God-fearing man who was quick to show compassion to strangers and was willing to lend a helping hand to anyone in need. He formed many friendships throughout his years that continue to have an impact on the community to this day. Whether he was regaling a crowd with captivating stories, discussing politics and business from his years of experience, or singing songs by Bing Crosby and Frank Sinatra, Jim was always the life of any party.

Visitation will be Monday, September 18, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Hubbard Kelly Funeral Home Chapel 601 N. Alleghany.

A graveside service will be Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at Sunset Memorial Gardens Odessa, Texas. A service will follow at First Presbyterian church at 10:00 a.m. at 1401 N. Sam Houston Ave., Odessa, Texas.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Permian Basin Rehabilitation Center, 620 N. Alleghaney, Odessa, TX 79761 in Jim's honor.

Sherry Lee Coskrey

Sherry Lee Coskrey, 58, of Odessa, Texas, passed away August 28, 2017 in Odessa.

Visitation will be from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Friday, September 22, 2017 at Sunset Memorial Funeral Home.

A memorial service will be at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, September 23, 2017 at Crossroads Fellowship.

Sherry was born in Odessa to Bill and Betty Perkins on December 27, 1958. She graduated in the top 10 from Odessa High School in 1977. She had two children, Ross and Krista Coskrey. She worked for 30+ years in the oilfield at various places.

Some of the things she enjoyed doing were baking cakes for friends and family. She never met a stranger. She also taught Sunday school for a few years. She loved spending her time with her precious granddaughter, Aubre.

She was loved by friends and family and will be missed dearly. Those left to cherish her love and memories are her children, Ross Coskrey and his wife Janet of Phoenix, Arizona and Krista Coskrey her husband, Joe Duke; granddaughter, Aubre Coskrey of Odessa; father of her children, Rick Coskrey; mother, Betty Perkins; brother, Dennis Perkins and his two children of Fort Worth, Texas; sister, Becky Peeples of Odessa; brother, Billy Perkins and his wife, Tana and their four children of Midland, Texas; and brother, Darren Perkins and his wife, Deanna and their two children of Oregon.

Sherry is preceded in death by her father, Bill Perkins, and sister-in-law, Rhonda Perkins.

The family of Sherry requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made in her honor to St. John's Episcopal Church, School Office Library Memorial Fund, 401 W. County Rd., Odessa, TX 79763, 432-333-6022.

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

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Albert Raymond Conly

Albert Raymond Conly, 89, of Midland, Texas, passed away September 15, 2017.

Survivors include his son, Albert Shannon Conly.

A family visitation will be Monday, September 18, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Ellis Funeral Home.

A memorial service will be held Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at The Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity, 1412 West Illinois, Midland, Texas.

Donald Mack Brown

Donald Mack Brown, 84, of Odessa, Texas, passed away on September 13, 2017.

Donald is survived by his wife, four children, and two sisters.

Funeral services will be at 10:00 am, Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at Sunset Memorial Funeral Home Chapel.

Joe Luis Hernandez

Joe Luis Hernandez, 67, of Midland, Texas, passed away on September 14, 2017.

Viewing will be held Sunday, September 17, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Avalos-Sanchez & Thomas Funeral Home.

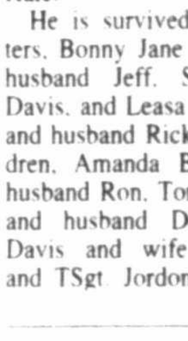
Services will be held Monday, September 18, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at Midland First Assembly of God with burial following at Fairview Cemetery.

Survivors include his daughters, Norma Hernandez, Joann H. Villarreal, Michelle Cruz, Sabrina Hernandez, Petra Hernandez, Rachel Hernandez; son, Joe Luis Hernandez; and four sisters and one brother.

Beloved character actor Harry Dean Stanton dies at 91

By Lindsey Bahr
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — For more than 60 years, Harry Dean Stanton played crooks and codgers, eccentrics and losers. He endowed them with pathos and compassion and animated them with his gaunt, unforgettable presence, making would-be fringe figures feel central to the films they appeared in.



Stanton

The late critic Roger Ebert once said no movie can be altogether bad if it includes Stanton in a supporting role, and the wide cult of fans that included directors and his fellow actors felt the same.

"I think all actors will agree, no one gives a more honest, natural, truer performance than Harry Dean Stanton," director David Lynch said in presenting Stanton with the Inaugural "Harry Dean Stanton Award" in Los Angeles last year.

Stanton died Friday of natural causes at a Los Angeles hospital at age 91, his agent John S. Kelley said.

Lynch, a frequent collaborator with the actor in projects like "Wild at Heart" and the recent reboot of "Twin Peaks," said in a statement after Stanton's death that "Everyone loved him. And with good reason. He was a great actor (actually beyond great) — and a great human being."

When given a rare turn as a leading man, Stanton more than made the most of it. In Wim Wenders' 1984 rural drama "Paris, Texas," Stanton's near-wordless performance is laced with moments of humor and poignancy. His heartbreakingly stoic delivery of a monologue of repentance to his wife, played by Nastassja Kinski, through a one-way mirror has become the defining moment in his career, in a role he said was his favorite.

"'Paris, Texas' gave me a chance to play compassion," Stanton told an interviewer, "and I'm spelling that with a capital C."

The film won the grand prize at the Cannes Film Festival and provided the actor with his first star billing, at age 58.

"Repo Man," released that same year, became another signature film: Stanton starred as the world-weary boss of an auto repossession firm who instructs Emilio Estevez in the tricks of the hazardous trade.

He was widely loved around Hollywood, a drinker and smoker and straight talker with a million stories who palled around with Jack Nicholson and Kris Kristofferson, among others, and was a hero to such younger stars and brothers-in-partying as Rob Lowe and Estevez.

He appeared in more than 200 movies and TV shows in a career dating to the mid-1950s. A cult-favorite since the '70s with roles in "Cockfighter," "Two-Lane Blacktop" and "Cisco Pike," his more famous credits ranged from the Oscar-winning epic "The Godfather Part II" to the sci-fi classic "Alien" to the teen flick "Pretty in Pink," in which he played Molly Ringwald's father.

While fringe roles and films were a specialty, he also ended up in the work of many of the 20th century's master auteurs, even Alfred Hitchcock in the director's serial TV show.

"I worked with the best directors," Stanton told the AP in a 2013 interview, given while chain-smoking in pajamas and a robe. "Martin Scorsese, John Huston, David Lynch, Alfred Hitchcock. Alfred Hitchcock was great."

He said he could have been a director himself but "it was too much work."

By his mid-80s, the Lexington Film League in his native Kentucky had founded the Harry Dean Stanton Fest and filmmaker Sophie Huber had made the documentary "Harry Dean Stanton: Partly Fiction," which included commentary from Wenders, Sam Shepard and Kristofferson.

More recently, he reunited with Lynch on Showtime's "Twin Peaks: The Return" where he reprised his role as the cranky trailer park owner Carl from "Fire Walk With Me." He also stars with Lynch in the upcoming film "Lucky," the directorial debut of actor John Carroll Lynch, which has been described as a love letter to Stanton's life and career.

Stanton, who early in his career used the name Dean Stanton to avoid confusion with another actor, grew up in West Irvine, Kentucky.

Sandra 'Black' Dunson
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MEGAN MCARDLE
Bloomberg View

Is this the bedside miracle that health reform needs?

Health care reform is like one of those ill people in a Victorian novel. They are pronounced close to death, with no possibility of a cure and then they linger on for hundreds of pages of breathless plotting, while the reader wonders: "Is this it? Could they possibly live after all that suffering?"

The latest bedside miracle is the Graham-Cassidy-Heller proposal, which would cut spending, cap spending and shift spending away from states that expanded Medicaid to those that haven't. At the same time, it would give states considerable discretion to design local solutions for health care provision, something that, as I've noted before, is likely to be the key to getting us out of the morass in which we're currently mired with Obamacare.

Is this the turn? Has the fever broken? Or is this just a stalling tactic before the patient is finally pronounced truly and utterly dead?

Well, the political math certainly looks difficult. Republicans hold a majority in both houses, but their Senate majority is narrow enough to give them precious little wiggle room when it comes to passing a bill. Considering that Rand Paul has already been pretty negative about the bill, that wiggle will have to be more like a tremor: If Paul won't back the proposal, it will need either Susan Collins or Lisa Murkowski, who have so far proved unwilling to vote for previous iterations of GOP reform ideas.

Moreover, they're going to have to shimmy pretty quick. This bill is not, needless to say, going to garner Democratic votes. Democrats don't want to do anything to Obamacare except pour more money into it, and this particular version is going to hurt blue and purple states that expanded their Medicaid programs.

So, to get it through the Senate, the Republican sponsors will have to use a budget process called reconciliation. The reconciliation instructions expire on Sept. 30. In that time, the bill needs to get a CBO score and work its way through the torturous parliamentary procedure for bringing a bill to the floor and voting on it, as well as the lengthy arm-twisting that will probably be required to get enough senators on board. It's not actually impossible to meet that deadline — but it doesn't look all that possible, either.

The Medicaid changes are also going to be a problem for Republican senators from states that took Medicaid money, a group that includes Lisa Murkowski of Alaska (don't count on that vote), and also true-red, die-hard conservatives like Tom Cotton of Arkansas. Whipping those votes would be a Herculean challenge, and it's far from clear that leadership has any appetite for that fight.

And yet, readers caught in this interminable saga can't quite say "It'll be dead by page 900." Nevada is an expansion state, but one of its senators, Dean Heller, is co-sponsoring the bill. Something about this bill is appealing to him, and maybe that something will appeal to the wavers among his colleagues.

So, it seems worth asking whether, as a policy matter, this bill is a good idea. (We will assume, arguendo, that our nation's legislators can be swayed by the policy merits.)

There are indeed a lot of things to like in this bill, from a Republican perspective. It shifts money toward red states and away from blue ones, and achieves a longstanding goal of block-granting Medicaid — ending the perverse incentives created by having the states manage the program while the federal government picks up part of every bill.

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That said, it still leaves some of the regulations in place that have caused so many problems with the exchanges for individual insurance policies. Tinkering with the money side while leaving those regulations intact is a dangerous game. It's a good idea to let states figure out how to patch the holes that Obamacare has created — but given the sums involved, it seems eminently possible that states simply won't be able to.

In trying to put the nation's health care system on a sustainable basis, Republicans may have to choose between their smaller-government ideals, and actual smaller government. The more ambitiously a bill cuts spending on a major entitlement like Medicaid, the less likely they are to actually get that bill passed.

The years of passing never-never repeal bills under Obama were a political and ideological dead end; they achieved nothing, and left the party woefully underprepared to tackle the program when they actually seized the reins of power. Republicans should take a lesson from that: Small steps towards a goal are much more productive than giant leaps that leave you flat on your face.

Just capping the program's growth, and eliminating its perverse incentive structure, would be a major achievement for Republicans, and for any American who wants a smaller and less intrusive federal government — or for that matter, one that is not headed for a fiscal crisis. Republicans are more likely to achieve that goal if their block-granting proposals are generous, allowing precarious moderates to go back to voters and say: "See? Don't listen to Democrats who tell you we're cutting Medicaid. We're reforming a program in dire need of it."

Graham-Cassidy's architecture seems more likely to support that kind of trade-off than the bills that died before it. But it probably also isn't quite enough. Which is why, come Sept. 30, the bill is likely to have proved as hopeless as the other tinctures applied to this interminably ill patient called health care reform.

HERMAN

From 1B

erations are winding down, we're no longer encouraging the community to make physical donations locally. So we've taken that off."

The Austin Disaster Relief Network says it's shipped more than 70 truckloads of goods and assisted more than 2,200 Harvey survivors, providing housing, financial help, supplies and "emotional and spiritual care."

That last one is where things can get tricky.

When Austinite Sharon Weintraub dropped off toiletries, cleaning supplies and socks at a network-run disaster relief location, she asked about volunteering to help sort the voluminous donations. Weintraub, in an email to Adler, said she was told to sign up through the organization's website, which is rather dense.

She found her way to the section that required volunteers to agree to the statement of faith, which says, among other things, "that all people everywhere are lost and face the judgment of God, that Jesus Christ is the only way of salvation."

For Weintraub, a Jew, this was a nonstarter, as she said in the email that got the mayor's attention.

Geraci says he is sorry for the confusion and that all are welcome to help, regardless of religion.

"When the Mayor's Office called the other day, he pointed that out," Geraci said of the possible confusion on the network's website. "Our only mistake was we thought we were making it clear enough. ... We've made it now straighter and cleaner and easier."

The network, which has been involved in previous disaster relief efforts, is a member of Central Texas Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster, which requires member organizations to give aid "regardless of the race, creed or nationality of the recipients, and without adverse distinction of any kind."

Established in 2009, the network says it's "comprised of over 175 Greater Austin churches and thousands of trained volunteers bringing hope into crisis." The organization acknowledges its religious goals.

"ADRN's primary goal is to serve Christ by sponsoring families affected by disaster though (its) Disaster Relief Shepherd program," the website says.

A "spiritual readiness training" course affiliated with that program claims to "teach you how to biblically pray with disaster survivors, care for them properly and share the good news of the gospel to those in great need of His transforming power and love."

The network's statement of faith includes a belief that "God's plan for human sexuality is to be expressed only within the context of marriage" and that "God instituted monogamous marriage between one genetic male and one genetic female as the foundation of the family and the basic structure of human society."

Despite those beliefs, the network says it "will not withhold disaster support in the form of physical, emotional and spiritual needs, regardless of citizenship, race, religion, age, sex, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, veteran status or political affiliation" and that it "strongly opposes victimization or violence against any sector of society that disagrees with the biblical view. We honor the dignity and rights of all who differ from us on the matter of human sexuality."

It seems the bottom line here is we should thank all who help in disaster relief. There's nothing wrong — and probably a lot right — about organizations whose religious beliefs lead them to help in such times.

But government entities must be careful about aligning with organizations that might use disasters as an invitation for proselytizing.

And, as always, donors should be cognizant of to whom they're donating and what their donations might support.

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PHIFFER

From 1B

If this mother had not already had a system in place with strong Christian leaders who continued to work with, and for her, even after her arrest, this saga would have ended a few weeks after her arrest. She would have been released from jail, with a requirement to attend an inpatient drug treatment program, with nowhere to stay, no money, no food, no assets of any kind and no way to get to the program when a room did open up. What was supposed to be a three-day wait, turned into a three-week wait until a room was available. She was lucky that the kind woman who was mentoring her before her arrest stepped up and arranged lodging, food and eventual transportation. After her release from this program, in order to satisfy CPS, she had to have a job and lodging, she had to demonstrate that she was moving into a position to take care of her children before she could get them back. The problem here was that she couldn't afford a home, she had no transportation, and now, she had a criminal charge that made it difficult to get a job and to qualify to rent at most apartments. She had fines she needed to pay and no way to do it.

She eventually found an apartment that would accept her, even with her conviction. She walked to and from work, several miles each way. She got into AA and stuck with it, and she met every single one of the requirements that CPS and the courts placed upon her to get her children back. But many of these mandatory benchmarks required the assistance of someone else, to get into the apartment, to get to AA, to find counseling that both she and her children could get to, to know her rights when there was overstepping by the regulatory authorities. So many places where random people stepped up and helped her. So many places where there is no one to do this for others charged with similar crimes, finding themselves in similar situations, also due to their own poor choices, their own struggles with drug or alcohol addiction. People who could also become productive members of society with just a little bit more concerted help and direction with discipline, not just punishment. A drug court is not intended to be, nor will it be, soft on crime. It is an intelligent act of assistance to people who genuinely want to get better and get back to being parents, spouses, employees - productive members of society. I stand behind the decision to utilize a drug court in Midland and look forward to the positive progress it will bring for our community and its residents.

NICHOLAS

From 1B

just staring at the pictures, fantasizing about having a daisy chain headband of my very own.

My sweet daughter Bodacious loves to look at pictures in books, too. She started first grade this year, and at 6, is still not reading. She knows her letters and sounds, mostly, but hasn't quite gotten the hang of putting it all together. I am trying my best to not compare her to her brother, who started reading chapter books in kindergarten and at 9 reads on a high school level.

But, man, if you believe all the hype, a child who doesn't read by kinder is probably going to run away and join the circus. Forget high school and college, and you can kiss the dream of having an independent, happy adult child goodbye. Because he or she will probably be in prison.

I was wailing to my mother about it a few weeks ago, demanding that she drop everything and come teach her granddaughter to read. My mother used to teach English and reading back in the day. She thinks I am being ridiculous. She pointed out that Bodacious has pre-reading skills and likes books. She then gently suggested that I spend more time actually reading to my darling daughter instead of worrying about her.

I will admit, I don't read to her as often as I should. But that's an easy fix. The Hubs and I have committed to reading to her every night before bedtime. So, I was thrilled when I found a copy of "My Little Golden Storybook About God" at a resale shop recently. I hadn't thought about that game closet or those books in years. Losing my dad this year has made me miss my childhood more, and when I opened the book all those old memories came flooding back to me. Even the way the closet always smelled, a little closed up with red dirt, old paper and Crayola crayons. And I can't seem to pass up a memory these days, especially if it only costs $2.

When I showed the book to Bodacious this week, she was instantly enamored. She loved the pictures of children in footie pajamas, the delicate birds in their nest. She sighed longingly at the pictures of the big brother holding hands with his sister.

We looked at the pages, slowly reading the words, moving our fingers from left to right to get the hang of directionality. I was reminded once again that this time with her is the most important time for me. In a few short years, she will leave home to find her own way in the world. And I will want nothing more than to have her back in her antique brass bed, safe and warm, cuddled up against me. How easy it is to lose sight of that in my rush to get everything done. Time is so precious, and my children are miracles. Being their mother is the greatest gift I will ever receive.

As we turned the page to see a beach with a sunset, I asked Bodacious if she wanted to read the sentence. She put her little finger on the first word, took a hesitant breath and read all four words slowly but flawlessly.

"For God ... is good!" Amen, sweet girl. God is good all the time. Especially good, right then.

She didn't read anything else that night, happy to just look at the illustrations and listen. And that was OK with me. I think she had already read the most important part.

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SMITH

From 1B

awards. The race is downhill and runners end up at a lower altitude.

"Marathon can't hold all the participants. They stay in Alpine or Fort Stockton, some as far away as Fort Davis or Marfa."

If you haven't been to Marathon, you will find it an interesting place. Several people from Austin and other places have found it a pleasant place to live. The cost of living is reasonable, the scenery is outstanding because it's the gateway to Big Bend National Park and the weather is near perfect.

If you need a good bottle of wine or some ice cream you can find them at Marci's grocery store. It has all necessary supplies for spending a few days in the mountains. Most of the time you'll find Marci at James Evans' photography gallery. She is married to James. Marci plays piano and is a member of the Texas Commission on the Arts.

"Well I'm a registered architect and interior designer, so that's what I have done my whole life and am very passionate about it. I worked at architectural firms in Connecticut, New York City and Austin, then had my own business in Austin. I kinda got burned out and ended up moving here."

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www.helpinghandsmidland.com

Because we feel it is important that you know how and where your donations to Helping Hands are spent, here is what was done last week.

Electricity	7 families	$ 1,078.88
Water	4 families	$ 223.64
Rent	24 families	$14,441.12
Transportation	2 families	$ 1,765.50
Medical	8 families	$ 5,134.00
	TOTAL	$23,113.44

We thank everyone in Midland whose donations to Helping Hands have made it possible to reach so many people in need. We are sometimes asked just what happens to the donation once it is given to us. That is really an excellent question, and we will try in the limited space we have to answer it.

First of all, clothing. Once clothing is received it is sorted by our volunteers. If it is new or gently worn" and in style it is put out in our thrift store (off season clothing is stored until such time as it is in demand). Our clothing is sold at extremely discounted rates: a man's suit sells for $6, a woman's dress (even formalwear) is $4. Polo shirts are $2, skirts are $3, men's jeans are $5. Infants and baby clothing sells for 4 pieces for $1, and children's clothing is usually $2 per item. We sell a tremendous volume of clothing each day that we are open. Helping Hands is easily the most affordable place in Midland to buy clothing.

We also give clothing to those in need who cannot afford to pay. Those who receive the free giveaway items are either victims of fire who have been referred to us by the Red Cross, those recently released from prison, residents of transitional housing such as Dismas Charities, people needing particular clothing to begin a new job, and quite simply, those who lack the money to pay. People needing clothing at no charge are welcome at Helping Hands each Wednesday from 9 am until 11 am (or by appointment).

The clothing that we cannot use (either because it is not up to our standards or because we simply do not have enough room to store it) is bundled into 1,000-pound bales and shipped to World Clothing in Houston. From there the clothing is again sorted through and those items that are still wearable are shipped to South America, Africa, Haiti and other third-world countries where they are distributed to the poor at no charge. Needless to say, with our own problems right now in hurricane ravaged Texas and Florida it is no doubt the clothing will make its way there as well. Clothing that is not wearable is sold and converted into shop rags. There is absolutely no waste with clothing at Helping Hands, nor is any piece of clothing ever discarded.

The same criteria apply for shoes, hats, belts and bags. There is a tremendous amount of donations that you give us that will never see the inside of our store - but they will certainly be used and appreciated by some man, woman or child in another part of the world.

We also occasionally get requests from people that the clothing they give us NOT be sold. They want their clothing to go to someone who cannot afford to pay. We will always honor that request.

Items that are not given away are sold in the store and the money is used to help the poor with their financial needs of rent, utilities, medical and other expenses. As is evident, rent continues to be the area that impacts the poor the most in Midland. Imagine trying to pay rent in Midland, plus daycare on a job that pays $10 per hour. It is certainly tough out there, especially for young, struggling families, the single parent, and elderly and disabled people on fixed incomes. Thank you for your continued generosity in helping us to meet the needs of the poor through Helping Hands. Thank you very, very much and God bless you!

PRO "Will lowering the corporate tax rate jump-start the economy?" CON

Yes: Lowering corporate taxes will send worker wages soaring

MATTHEW R. SHAY
Tribune News Service

Labor Day is behind us. And as we look beyond its traditions of barbecues, beaches and vague political promises to help American workers, we can clearly see one concrete action Congress could take to actually increase wages and create jobs: corporate tax reform.

Those opposed to this idea fail to recognize how workers stand to benefit.

They should know it's real people who ultimately pay for America's high corporate tax rate. This includes consumers and shareholders, but just as importantly, workers, who receive lower wages as result of high corporate taxes.

The average annual wages of employees at C corporations — most major companies fit into this category — are as much as $4,690 lower because of the high corporate tax rate, according to an analysis by economists at the National Retail Federation.

That's a stunning number, more than the average American worker's monthly wage. And it's backed up by a wealth of other evidence, as government and academic economists agree labor bears between 25 percent and 75 percent of the corporate tax burden.

If you apply those numbers to 2016's corporate taxes, it means that American workers collectively lost between $75 billion and $225 billion in wages.

Even the low end of that estimate is far too much. That's why tax reform is critical to creating new jobs and delivering substantial benefits to workers.

Given labor's share of the corporate tax burden, reducing the tax rate to 20 percent would raise wages by between $32 billion and $97 billion — enough to support between 500,000 and 1.5 million new private-sector jobs.

Reform is a key concern for the retail industry, which holds a unique position regarding both workers and the corporate tax rate.

Retail is the nation's largest private-sector employer, directly employing 13 million Americans and supporting 42 million jobs overall. The industry is also among those paying the highest taxes, with an average effective tax rate of 36.4 percent when both federal and state taxes are included. Retail businesses see firsthand how high corporate tax rates impact wages and jobs.

Yet many still argue that corporate tax reform would not benefit workers.

Examining an unrepresentative sample of the roughly 1.6 million C corporations in the United States, a report by the Institute for Policy Studies looked at 92 companies that paid an effective tax rate lower than 20 percent and found that more than half had cut jobs between 2008 and 2015.

Based on this small, hand-picked sample and flawed methodology, the report dubiously asserts that corporate tax cuts would yield the same disappointing results.

There are several problems with the institute's analysis.

First, it only examines a few dozen businesses that are "low effective rate taxpayers," ignoring those in industries like retail that pay close to the statutory tax rate.

Second, the report does not directly connect tax burden to jobs, only looking at overall employment change during the period studied. The report also does not factor in changes in tax rates, actual domestic tax rates, the economy or any factors that affect hiring.

There are certainly valid concerns about how some firms might respond to tax reform, but the overall picture is clear.

An employee of an American corporation currently forfeits thousands of dollars each year because of the high corporate tax rate.

Tax reform would put money back in their pockets and help create hundreds of thousands of new jobs — an effect that would be amplified by a similar tax cut for non-corporate businesses.

Long-overdue corporate tax reform would mean real change that would last for decades. Even with a busy fall schedule, lawmakers must seize this rare opportunity to push for a tax system that would increase wages, drive job creation and provide meaningful changes for the average American.

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No: Corporate taxes should be reformed, not cut

DEAN BAKER
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The marginal tax rate on corporate profits in the United States is 35 percent. As President Donald Trump and other proponents of tax reform continually say, this is the highest rate in the world. This is true — but also incredibly misleading.

Because of loopholes, the actual tax rate on corporate profits is close to 20 percent, putting the U.S. right around the middle among wealthy countries.

This numbers-versus-reality gap should be kept front-and-center in the debate over reforming the corporate income tax. If someone argues that U.S. corporations pay too much in taxes, they are not being honest.

Corporations in countries like Germany and the Netherlands pay a comparable share of their profits in taxes. High taxes are not putting our firms at a competitive disadvantage.

Furthermore, as a matter of simple arithmetic, if our corporations pay less in taxes, the rest of us will have to pay more.

Yes, Republicans promise us tax cuts will lead to a surge of investment and growth, but we've heard this one before. It didn't happen when we had big tax cuts under Ronald Reagan and it didn't happen when we had big tax cuts under George W. Bush.

In both cases, the deficit surged. If there was any positive impact on growth, it was too small to notice and certainly not enough to offset the impact of the tax cut.

The lesson from these prior experiments is that tax cuts lead to less revenue, which means larger deficits. Many of the same people now pushing for tax cuts will start screaming about large deficits when we see a fall in revenue.

This leaves two options: cutting spending or raising taxes on the rest of us. Neither of these prospects looks good for people who don't own lots of stock in corporate America.

Cutting waste is always popular, but the reality is that there is not much waste sitting there waiting to be cut. The spending that will be slashed is for areas like Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid, programs that have already shown up on the Republican hit list.

There is an alternative route that is more worker-friendly. Corporations are able to reduce their tax rate from the legislated 35 percent rate to the actual rate of 20 percent through a wide variety of tax avoidance measures. Many people also get very rich from developing tax avoidance strategies, including many in the private equity industry.

These tax avoidance strategies are a complete waste from an economic standpoint. We want people to make money by developing better products and services, not from devising creative ways to beat the IRS.

If we had a tax reform that raised roughly the same amount of revenue but largely eliminated the opportunities for tax avoidance, this would be a clear winner for American workers. In this case, more resources would be devoted to productive investment rather than gaming the tax code.

It is possible to design a tax reform along these lines. My favorite route would be to require companies to turn over non-voting shares in an amount equal to their tax liability. These shares would give the government no control over the company and would be treated just like regular shares.

If the company pays a $2 per share dividend, the government gets $2 on each of its shares. If the company buys back 10 percent of its stock at $100 per share, it pays $100 for each share of government stock. This way, there is no way the company can cheat the government without also cheating its shareholders.

This sort of reform would be a good for the economy and good for the nation's workers. For this reason, unfortunately, it probably will not go very far in Washington.

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RAMESH PONNURU
Bloomberg View

Republicans need to break with last century for tax reform

It's not 1981 anymore. That's the message of an editorial in the conservative Weekly Standard, which warns Republicans not to design a tax reform patterned on the one that Ronald Reagan signed in his first year as president.

Mimicking the Reagan tax cuts is a temptation both because of Republicans' enduring admiration for the 40th president and because his program has been the source of the economic ideas they have championed ever since his time in office.

But the Standard is right that times have changed. That doesn't mean the Gipper's basic disposition toward lower and less onerous taxes needs to be junked. It means that today's Republicans (and Democrats!) need to grapple with four differences between our time and his.

First: The federal debt is much larger now, and looks to grow larger still. When Reagan took office, that debt stood at 31 percent of GDP. It's now about 103 percent. The Baby Boomers were still entering the workforce then. Now that they are leaving it, the debt picture we can anticipate is much worse.

Reaganites would have preferred it if spending restraint had accompanied tax cuts, but they were willing to accept rising deficits rather than give up those tax cuts. That trade-off looks worse in our current fiscal position.

Second: The top individual income tax rate is a lot lower than it was in 1981. Reagan inherited a tax code with a top rate of 70 percent. His tax legislation lowered it to 50 percent, and by the time he left office he brought it down to 28 percent. It is now roughly 40 percent.

Supply siders argue that reducing tax rates increases incentives to work, save and invest. But this logic is subject to diminishing returns. The 1981 bill raised the after-tax return on a dollar earned from 30 cents to 50 cents: a 67 percent increase. Cutting the top tax rate from 40 to 30 percent now would yield an increase of only 17 percent.

Another way of putting it is that today's tax rates aren't the obstacle to growth that the rates of the 1970s were. Bringing them down should not be as high a priority for today's Republicans as it was for their predecessors.

Third: The payroll tax for Social Security and Medicare has grown in importance while the income tax has shrunk. In 1981, only 20 percent of households escaped paying the income tax. Now 44 percent do. For three-fifths of households, the payroll tax is a bigger burden than the income tax. If Republi-

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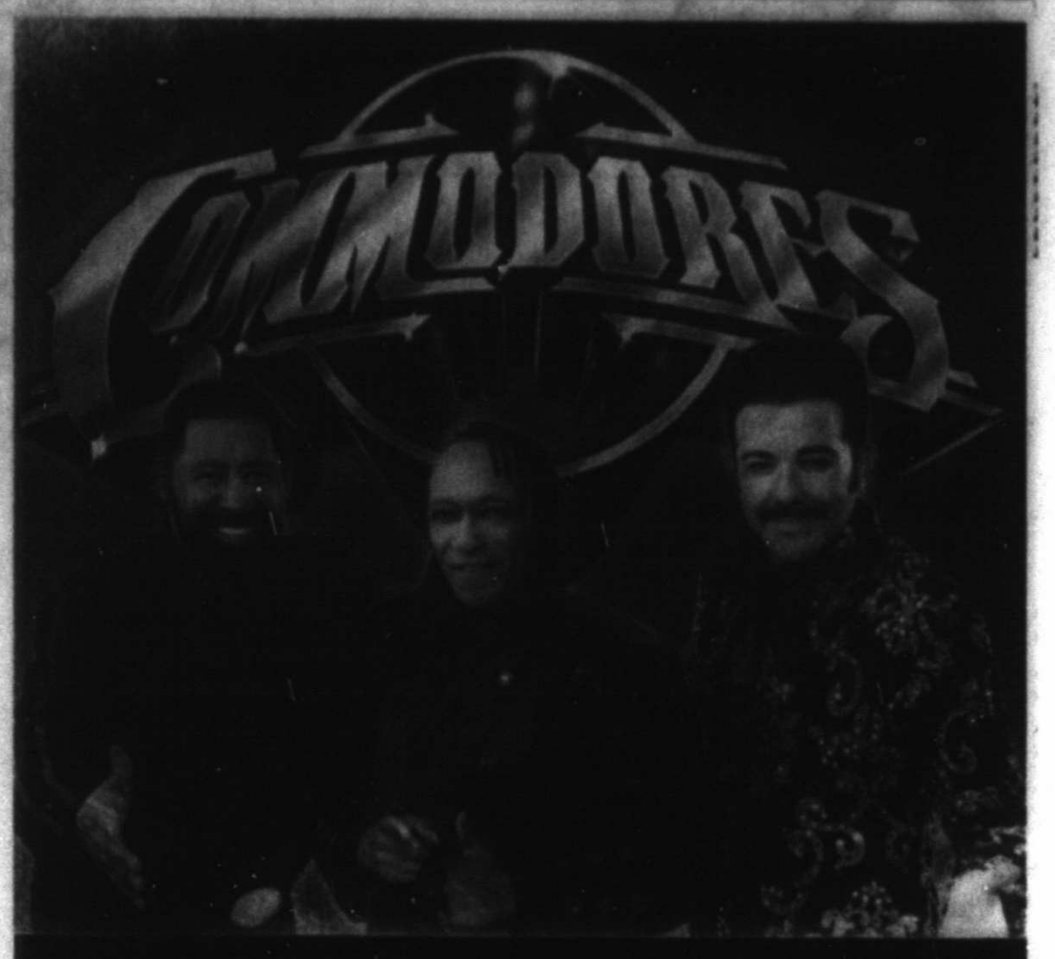

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Immigration hawks are licking their wounds

■ Trump probably believes much of his America First talk, but that's talk. What really matters to him is praise

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Tribune News Service

"At this point, who DOESN'T want Trump impeached?"

— Ann Coulter tweet, 7:05 a.m., Sept. 14, 2017

"If reports true 100 percent. I blame R's. They caused this. They wanted him to fail and now pushed him into arms of political suicide -- IF TRUE."

— Sean Hannity tweet, 12:11 a.m., Sept. 14, 2017.

"Flounder, you can't spend your whole life worrying about your mistakes! You (fouled) up ... you trusted us! Hey, make the best of it!"

— Eric "Otter" Stratton, "Animal House," 1978.

Before I continue, let me answer Ann Coulter's question: Me. I don't want Trump impeached, at least not until he does something clearly impeachable. Impeaching him for policies you don't like or even for political malpractice would simply be a time-wasting tantrum. And I say that as a consistent critic of Donald Trump, going back to his flirtation with running on the Reform Party ticket in 2000.

That said, Coulter's reaction is understandable and even a little praiseworthy. After all, she wrote a book — a whole book! — in 2016 called "In Trump We Trust: E Pluribus Awesome!" But unlike a lot of her compatriots in the Trump Army, Coulter was driven by a policy position, not an infatuation. Or perhaps she was infatuated, but her commitment to the policy was greater than her commitment to the man.

The policy in question: immigration. To wit, Coulter thinks we've had enough of it. That goes for the children brought here by illegal immigrants, commonly referred to as "Dreamers." President Obama created a program, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, or DACA, that unconstitutionally (according to most conservatives, including the attorney general) granted a kind of de facto amnesty to the Dreamers, giving them work permits and legal residence.

On Wednesday night, Trump had dinner with the Democratic leaders in the House and Senate, Rep. Nancy Pelosi and Sen. Chuck Schumer. These two famously partisan Democrats came out of the dinner announcing that they had struck a deal with the president to make DACA permanent without providing any funding for Trump's cherished border wall.

Trump, witnessing the blowback, which included the new nickname "Amnesty Don" in a headline at Breitbart News (which until recently had been the Pravda of MAGAland), insisted in a tweet that no deal had yet been made. But then he went on to sing the praises of DACA in a series of tweets, making it clear to all that he wants the Dreamers to be legalized and the DACA program made permanent.

In other words, he threw his biggest supporters under the Trump train.

Now I should say, I think Trump is right on the policy. It would be stupid and cruel to deport a bunch of people who came here as little kids and have since assimilated into the only country they've ever known. A large majority of Americans, including a majority of Trump voters, agree with Trump (and Schumer and Pelosi) on the policy. A poll this week found that only 12 percent of registered voters want these people deported. Coulter and former Trump adviser (and current Breitbart publisher) Steve Bannon speak for that 12 percent.

The majority of immigration hawks, however, considered DACA to be the president's most valuable negotiating chip. He could have gotten funding for the wall — or perhaps E-Verify, or portions of Sen. Tom Cotton's immigration reform legislation, the RAISE Act — passed in exchange for making DACA permanent. Instead, the author of "The Art of the Deal" essentially tossed his best chip into the pot as if it were the ante.

This poses a crisis for two different kinds of Trump true believers. The "nationalists" honestly believed he was one of them. Meanwhile, the super-fans honestly believed Trump was the greatest negotiator and strategist the world had ever seen. Both of these notions were delusions. Oh, I'm sure Trump believes much of his America First talk, but that's talk. What really matters to him is praise. It was only a matter of time before the moth flew to glow of public opinion.

The sad thing is that both delusions were obvious from the moment he descended his golden escalator at Trump Tower. It will be interesting to see how the true believers follow Otter's advice and make the best of their foul-up.

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OUR VIEW

Importance of reading can't be overstated in our community

Reading is the most important thing a student will learn.

With all due respect to math, it's not even close. If someone can't read, he will miss out on too many opportunities. But if he can read, he likely will be guaranteed a higher quality of life.

The Reporter-Telegram, Wells Fargo and the Midland County Public Library know this and have partnered to promote literacy, deliver the opportunity to read a book to first-graders and introduce the community to award-winning authors and illustrators through Project Literacy 2017.

Project Literacy is one of the most worthy events in which the Reporter-Telegram participates. Project Literacy is a celebration of reading. One of the highlights is that every first-grader in Midland County will receive their own book. This year, the featured book is "They All Saw A Cat" by Brendan Wenzenl. Over the years, Project Literacy has provided more than 20,000 books (valued at more than $175,000) to first-graders throughout Midland County. A book is a special thing, and for some students, this is the first book they can call their own.

We hope it turns out to be more than a first book or just a recent addition to a personal library. We hope this book provides children and their parents the shared experience of reading.

Parents, we know your days are busy, and sometimes books take a distant second to cellphones and other digital devices. But this week it is time to go old school and bond with your child using a book. Children must see that our lives don't revolve around 140-character Twitter statements or poorly written text messages. It won't help them now and won't benefit them as they grow older. Our children must see the importance we all put into sitting down with a book. We think that will connect with them and make reading a book less intimidating.

The Project Literacy celebration hits its high note Monday. Wells Fargo will bring out its signature stagecoach to help deliver the first books to students at Travis Elementary.

Then, beloved, American, chapter-book author R.L. Stine will visit Bowie Fine Arts Academy to share Wenzenl's message that every student has a story to tell, regardless of background or circumstance.

Both authors will sign books at the MCPL Centennial branch Monday afternoon. During the book signing, there will be family-friendly activities, including a "Goosebumps"-inspired maze for children, a screening of the "Goosebumps movie, and a Q&A with Stine at the conclusion of the movie (about 6 p.m.).

Project Literacy also focuses on writing well, but first and foremost, the week is about introducing (or re-introducing) our children to the importance of reading. There is no cost to attend any of these events, but not being able to read well could cost students a high quality of life. Don't let this happen to our children. Let's celebrate and reiterate the importance of reading.

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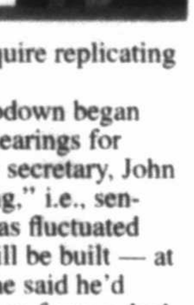
Trump's wall is dying by the day

■ The most powerful symbol of immigration restriction isn't particularly important or achievable



RICH LOWRY

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Build that wall! Eventually. Or at least patch up some existing fencing. If Chuck and Nancy will agree.

Donald Trump's signature pledge to build a border wall, aka The Wall, is diminishing almost by the hour. No battle plan survives contact with the enemy, said Helmuth von Moltke the Elder, the 19th-century German field marshal. He left no record of his view of what happens when an emotive slogan dressed up as a policy proposal comes into contact with the enemy, but we can assume that he didn't think it would fare well.

It hasn't. Trump is paying the price for making The Wall the most powerful symbol of immigration restriction, when it isn't particularly important or achievable. He piled lurid fantasy on top of absurd overpromising by asserting that Mexico would somehow be made to pay for the barrier.

This worked brilliantly for Trump during the campaign. His rally-goers delighted in his familiar lines about The Wall and engaged in call-and-response with the candidate like the chorus at an old-time revival. The Wall underlined Trump's tough image and larger-than-life persona. Just as Rome had its Aurelian Walls, America would have its Trumpian Wall — some 1,000 miles long, impenetrable and altogether "big and beautiful."

Then the bill came due. Or, to be more precise, it didn't. There was no way, absent the threat of a punitive U.S. invasion, that the government of Mexico was going to suffer the national humiliation of paying for a Yanqui border wall. In the leaked transcript of a call with Mexican President Enrique Pena Nieto, Trump pleaded with Pena Nieto just to stop saying that Mexico wouldn't pay for The Wall. And couldn't even manage that.

So the U.S. government would have to fund The Wall after all (although only as a down payment until Mexico paid its arrears, according to Trump). This was a problem because no one truly believes that a vast border wall — traversing remote territory, causing immense legal complications over the right of way, and costing billions of dollars — makes much sense. Yes, key areas need more robust fencing, but that doesn't require replicating the Walls of Constantinople.

The Trump administration climbdown began immediately. In his confirmation hearings for Department of Homeland Security secretary, John Kelly referred to "high-tech fencing," i.e., sensors and the like. Trump himself has fluctuated between insisting that The Wall will be built — at a Phoenix rally a few weeks ago, he said he'd happily shut down the government to force a deal for Wall funding — and rationalizing why it's not being built.

Upon news of a potential deal with Chuck Schumer and Nancy Pelosi over DACA that wouldn't include funding, Trump tweeted that The Wall "is already under construction in the form of new renovation of old and existing fences and walls." Needless to say, none of his rally-goers thought they were cheering for routine maintenance at the border.

Despite the drama, The Wall is mostly beside the point when it comes to enforcement. Construction of a wall doesn't even make the top three priorities for tightening up on illegal immigration. A mandatory e-verify system to discourage illegal hiring, an entry-exit system to track visitors, and local and state cooperation with the feds all are much more important. A border wall is powerless to stop visa overstays, which account for about half of illegal immigration, and it won't reduce the jobs magnet that inevitably draws people here.

If Democrats were smart, they'd let Trump build whatever he wants on the border in exchange for massive concessions on other policies. But the Democratic base is too adamantly against The Wall, which it considers a symbol of exclusion and xenophobia, to make this negotiating strategy possible. Upon contact with the enemy, Trump will be lucky if The Wall ends up as much more than architectural plans and demonstration projects.

From the Left | Doonesbury

From the Right | Mallard Fillmore

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

People need to establish personal code

I am a native Midlander, a taxpaying, law-abiding World War II veteran 93 years of age. I was unaware that West Point had the same honor code as mine until I became involved in the obviously misleading and dishonest attack on the name of Robert E. Lee in regards to a high school by that name here in Midland..

West Point cadets are required to adhere to the cadet honor code, which states "A cadet will not lie, cheat, steal or tolerate those that do." Mine combines them into one: "There is no substitute for honesty."

Robert E. Lee was a man of highest integrity, and he put it on the line with his adhering to the honor code of West Point. Without integrity, he would have never been permitted to enter West Point, much less graduate.

People who persist in having a name change and doing a way with "Dixie" or any other words or organizations relating to being on the side of the Confederacy are lacking in integrity.

It will behoove us all to establish a personal or family honor code that is essential for the safety for our persons and our homes.

I offer this example. Using a pen designed to make large bold letters or with a printer, write the following and then place it in a conspicuous location — refrigerator, freezer, bathroom mirror, vehicle dashboard, motorcycle windshield — where it will be read every morning:

"I will not drive a vehicle if I have consumed even the smallest amount of alcohol or of any drug or substance that would alter my mind in any manner. I will come to a complete stop at stop signs and red lights, then yield "right of way" when turning right.

"My vision will be focused on the road directly in front of me while at the same time observing with quick glances to the rear view mirrors to observe the maneuvering of vehicles behind and both sides. I will not attempt to occupy any space that is already occupied, regardless of the type of vehicle or pedestrian."

Thomas Flournoy

Board should fix 'Dixie' mistake

Since the distasteful decision to "suspend" "Dixie" was made, I have been vocal but polite. It's now time to call it what it is … political correctness.

I was skeptical but still followed their false "safety" narrative since day one. Yesterday, I presented Superintendent Riddick with a common sense solution for this distraction from actual education. Riddick's refusal to act on it leaves only one conclusion… "Dixie" was a victim of politics.

Riddick stands behind his half-truth of being "proactive" for the "safety of students." Rational people know that political correctness is far more dangerous than the band playing "Dixie." Riddick is unwilling/unable to prove his claim of students being at risk.

I do not believe that Principal VanHoozer originally made the call and that Riddick just "supports that decision," VanHoozer had no problem with "Dixie" before Riddick arrived. "Dixie" was not a security risk prior to a petition to change Lee High School's name being circulated. Now "Dixie" is a ticking bomb? Not hardly. In truth, this is a political issue that Riddick dragged Midland into. He proudly touts his "focus on academics." If he was that focused, this distraction (created by MISD and not those who oppose it) would have never come up.

I have strong written evidence that the decision isn't about safety but is purely political correctness.

MISD board members, this is your opportunity. Make "Dixie" an action item for your October meeting. Simply vote for or against. Let Midlanders see where you stand.

The board wanted to stay out of this debate but that's no longer possible. If they decide not to vote on this issue, we can assume that they all support bringing PC to MISD.

This is not just about a song. It's about political correctness which has no place in MISD, Midland or West Texas. Riddick and Vanhoozer made a decision to kill a 56-year tradition with no outside input. It's a mistake, and they know it ... we all know it. It is the board's job to fix that mistake and show Midlanders that our opinions matter. Show us you hear us. Bring "Dixie" back.

Chris Gafford

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Democrats should place a big bet on Texas

FRANCIS WILKINSON
Bloomberg

When Democrats are desperate, they dream of Texas.

Most current election models show Democrats coming up short of the two dozen seats they need to gain control of the House of Representatives in 2018. If Democrats don't have control of the House, a Republican Congress almost certainly won't act against President Donald Trump — barring the most spectacular, incontrovertible and damning evidence from special counsel Robert Mueller's investigation.

In other words, the cavalry — democratic, as well as Democratic — might not be coming. Writing last month at FiveThirtyEight, election analyst David Wasserman laid out the difficult odds for Democrats:

"Even if Democrats were to win every single 2018 House and Senate race for seats representing places that Hillary Clinton won or that Trump won by less than 3 percentage points — a pretty good midterm by historical standards — they could still fall short of the House majority and lose five Senate seats."

Other analysts, including the Cook Political Report and Sabato's Crystal Ball, show Democrats may well be boxed in as the minority for at least another election cycle.

Such projections can change, of course. Three Republican House members have resigned in the past week, making their districts potentially more favorable to Democrats. More Republican resignations are likely as legislators grow weary of a dysfunction made more embarrassing by unified GOP control of the government, and by the prospect that Trump will continue to wreak damage on the party as well as the nation.

For Democrats, however, Mueller, Trump and GOP retirements are mostly spectator sports, dependent on the universe doing bad things to Republicans. For Democrats to seize operational control of a national political majority that has voted Democratic in every presidential election but one since 1992, and to overcome the structural advantages and aggressive gerrymandering of the GOP, they may have to do more than wait for Trump to implode or Mueller to indict. They may have to consider the Texas-sized obstacle in their way.

Texas is a large and utterly elusive grail. A 2016 simulation incorporating demographic and political trends in the state concluded that Texas would not fall into the Democratic column anytime in the next four presidential elections. "The juggernaut there is whites keep voting Republican," said William Frey, a demographer at the Brookings Institution who co-wrote the study.

A key question is whether Trump's white nationalism and colorblind incompetence might speed the state's transition to a reddish purple, putting new congressional districts in play. According to a SurveyMonkey poll taken June through August (before hurricane season ripped through Houston), Trump's approval/disapproval in Texas is weak, at 45/53.

"Trump's politics are not playing well in Texas," said Democratic strategist Simon Rosenberg, via email, "and national Democrats would be smart to invest heavily there this cycle and next with two goals in mind — winning some critical races in 2018 that could affect the control of Congress, while accelerating the state's migration from rock bed Republican to a swing presidential state."

For Republicans, Texas is both a spiritual home and a treasure trove of congressional seats and electoral votes. (It has 38 of each; equivalent to Ohio plus Pennsylvania with an extra dash of gerrymandering.) Yet vulnerabilities do appear. As the Atlantic reported in February, "the Republican House majority now relies predominantly on districts where whites exceed their share of the national population, that are located mostly outside of urban centers, and that contain fewer white college graduates than the national average."

Texas, by contrast, has a nonwhite majority. Nonwhite voters underperformed Democratic hopes in 2016; according to U.S. Census data, Hispanic turnout in Texas was just over 40 percent, a slight increase from 2012. Even so, about 40 percent of Texas voters in 2016 were Asian, black or Hispanic.

The state contains three of the largest 10 cities in the U.S. and six of the largest 20. More than 16 percent of Texas's population is foreign-born, a higher share than in the U.S. While the state has a slightly lower percentage of college graduates than the U.S., many of its major industries, including energy and technology, are powered by highly educated (and often immigrant-heavy) workforces.

For nearly two decades, under Govs. George W. Bush and Rick Perry, Texas was arguably the leading model of a kinder, gentler GOP future, in which a significant share of Hispanics would join a majority of whites to form a durable conservative majority. Jeb Bush, John Kasich and Marco Rubio each served up helpings of this Spanglish in their presidential campaigns in 2016.

Republican voters, however, gorged on white nationalism instead, and the Electoral College, if not the popular vote, ratified their appetite.

Current Texas Gov. Greg Abbott and Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick are more Trumpian warriors than multicultural accommodationists. (Patrick preceded Trump in the role.) Yet while the most prominent state leaders draw succor from an ever-more confrontational GOP, the state's population continues to drift elsewhere.

In 2016, while Hillary Clinton was losing states previously won by Barack Obama, she substantially outperformed him in Texas, losing the state by 9 points compared with Obama's 16-point loss in 2012.

Republican strategist Liam Donovan analyzed the swing, from 2012 to 2016, in congressional districts nationwide. Six of the 11 districts with the greatest swing in presidential vote from Republican to Democrat were in Texas.

Donovan emailed: "Traditional swing seats are still going to swing, and there may even be enough for Democrats to recapture the House, but the opportunity for realignment lies in these affluent suburbs where Clinton capitalized on Trump's relative weakness among college-educated white voters. Democrats have been seeking to turn Texas blue on the strength of Hispanic turnout, which is necessary, but thus far insufficient. Whether Democrats can win in the near term will depend on whether they can figure out how to peel off Republican-leaning Trump skeptics in places like Highland Park (metro Dallas) and Memorial (metro Houston)."

You cannot peel if you do not play. Clinton received 44 percent or more of the vote in five Texas districts currently held by Republicans. More striking, Clinton defeated Trump statewide among voters under 40, and won the youngest cohort, 18- to 24-year-olds, by a thumping 26 points. Turning Texas youth into loyal Democrats should be a Democratic crusade. One-quarter of the state's population is under the age of 18.

Democratic troubles in the Midwest require money and attention. California probably has the largest cache of vulnerable GOP House seats. Resources, as always, are limited and spread thin. But with a White House running on the toxic fumes of white racial resentment, Texas represents intriguing possibilities. And Democrats may be just desperate enough to mess with it.

Hillary Clinton still doesn't get 'what happened' in the 2016 election

MARC THIESSEN
Special to Washington Post

Hillary Clinton's new memoir of her failed presidential campaign is titled "What Happened." A better title would be "What Happened?" because Clinton apparently has no idea.

Clinton has blamed her loss on an ever-changing cast of characters — Russia, WikiLeaks, James Comey and Bernie Sanders. Now she has put the blame on a new scapegoat: millions of bigoted white nationalists.

Clinton told Jane Pauley of CBS News' "Sunday Morning" that Donald Trump won because he "was quite successful in referencing a nostalgia that would give hope, comfort, settle grievances, for millions of people who were upset about gains that were made by others," Clinton said. When Pauley asked, "What you're saying is millions of white people?" Clinton replied, "Millions of white people, yeah. Millions of white people."

In an interview with NPR on Tuesday, Clinton was even more explicit. Trump's message, she said, was "discriminatory, it was bigoted, it was prejudiced. And yet it fed into part of the electorate that just wanted to have a primal scream. They didn't like what was going on. … They really responded to his racial and ethnic and sexist appeals."

So Clinton believes she lost Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania and the presidency because of the bigotry of middle America.

One problem with her analysis: Millions of those white people who voted for Donald Trump also proudly voted for Barack Obama. There are nearly 700 counties in the United States that voted twice for Barack Obama, one-third of which flipped to Trump in 2016. According to Nate Cohn of the New York Times, "almost one in four of President Obama's 2012 white working-class supporters defected from the Democrats in 2016, either supporting Mr. Trump or voting for a third-party candidate." Are all those Trump-Obama voters bigots? Millions of once reliably Democratic voters pulled the lever for the first black president, yet they were suddenly whipped up into a racist furor by Trump's "racial and ethnic and sexist appeals"? Give me a break.

As Democratic pollster Stan Greenberg has pointed out, many of these working-class Obama-Trump voters were not even white. "The Democrats don't have a 'white working-class problem,' " Greenberg wrote recently in the American Prospect. "They have a 'working-class problem' … Democrats have lost support with all working-class voters across the electorate, including the Rising American Electorate of minorities, unmarried women, and millennials."

Why did so many Obama voters defect to Trump? It wasn't race or immigration. According to a survey by the liberal super PAC Priorities USA Action, the top seven priorities were (1) protecting Social Security and Medicare; (2) creating good-paying jobs for American workers; (3) making sure Americans have access to affordable insurance; (4) cleaning up corruption in government; (5) cracking down on outsourcing; (6) making sure the wealthy pay their fair share in taxes and (7) keeping Wall Street in check.

That is hardly a white nationalist agenda.

Another reason these Obama voters defected to Trump is that they kept hearing from Clinton and the Democrats how great the economy was doing. Yet, according to Priorities USA Action, "50 percent of Obama-Trump voters said their incomes are falling behind the cost of living, and another 31 percent said their incomes are merely keeping pace with the cost of living." When Clinton touted Obama's economic progress, she seemed hopelessly out of touch.

Clinton still can't seem to tell the difference between a white nationalist and working-class voters who are upset because their family incomes are stagnant or falling, they feel shut out of the labor force, and their communities are mired in substance abuse and despair. These "forgotten Americans" had legitimate grievances that Democrats ignored. That sent a message to working-class voters that Democrats are not focused on fighting for them. So they defected.

Add to this Clinton's inability to connect with her party's liberal base (the so-called drop-off voters who turned out for Obama but failed to show up for her) plus the Clinton Foundation and her repeated lies about her personal server, which led large majorities of Americans to conclude that she was dishonest and corrupt — and you had the toxic brew that produced her electoral defeat.

Clinton says she is done with electoral politics, so it really does not matter if she understands "what happened." But there is little sign that Democrats today understand, much less are doing what is necessary to win back these working-class voters in the heartland. Instead, they have declared themselves "The Resistance" further alienating these voters who put Trump in office, while hoping that they can turn out their liberal base in the next election. That's precisely the strategy that failed in 2016. We'll see if doubling down on failure works in 2020.

How to sell Amazon on Dallas for HQ2? Pitch the city, not the state

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Dallas Morning News

By the standard metrics, the Dallas area should be a leading contender to land Amazon's next-generation headquarters.

It has the office space, the land, the labor force, the transportation network and the stomach to handle years of hefty taxpayer incentives.

The big unknown: Can Amazon get past the Lone Star State's culture wars?

It's not only that Texas is deep red and Amazon's home in Washington state is neon blue. On some key issues, including immigration, LGBT rights and climate change, Texas' elected leaders are often at odds with the progressive values of the online giant.

Remember the "bathroom bill" that roiled the Legislature this year? Amazon was one of 14 big companies, including Apple, Google, Facebook and IBM, that wrote Gov. Greg Abbott in May, urging him to reject the proposal.

The bill failed to get through, but Abbott added it to the special session, keeping the controversy alive. It failed again, in part because business rallied against it so strongly.

Nation of immigrants

Another culture clash was evident this month. Attorney General Ken Paxton led the conservative charge to end the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, known as DACA. With that legal challenge looming, President Donald Trump said he would end the program — although he's now meeting with Congress to extend it.

Several states promptly sued to protect nearly 800,000 immigrants who had been brought here as children. Amazon filed a declaration of support,

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saying it employed nine Dreamers and probably many more.

"Amazon has always been committed to equal rights, tolerance and diversity — and we always will be," the company wrote.

In January, Trump ordered a travel ban from certain Muslim countries and lawmakers from Texas were largely silent. But Amazon was among many companies that spoke out. It objected to the Trump administration, lobbied Congress and joined a lawsuit challenging the order.

Jeff Bezos, Amazon's founder and CEO, pledged the company's full resources to help employees affected by the ban.

"We're a nation of immigrants whose diverse backgrounds, ideas, and points of view have helped us build and invent as a nation for over 240 years," Bezos wrote to employees.

That reaction speaks to the growing importance of such issues in the workplace. In the past, companies generally avoided political and social controversies because they would inevitability alienate some people.

But today, more employers are expected to take a public stand. If they're silent, they can face a backlash from workers and customers.

In Texas, the bathroom bill became a litmus test for many. Abbott and Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, who championed the bill for over two years, kept insisting that it wouldn't hurt the state's economy or economic development.

What they missed — or refused to accept — is that it targeted transgender people and sent a hostile message to the LGBTQ community. And that's more than enough to scare off some companies. They must compete hard for the best talent so they want to be part of communities that welcome everyone.

How much of a factor that will be in Amazon's search for a second home is not clear, but it is a factor.

"The project requires a compatible cultural and community environment for its long-term success," Amazon said in documents outlining its expansion plans. That "includes the presence and support of a diverse population," Amazon wrote.

Big stakes

The economic stakes of the Amazon deal are enormous — up to $5 billion in facilities and 50,000 jobs at an average pay of $100,000 a year.

Amazon listed several other attributes in its community fit section, including excellent schools and elected officials who will be eager and willing to work with the company. It also offered more hints in a news release that kicked off the relocation competition earlier this month.

"We expect HQ2 to be a full equal to our Seattle headquarters," Bezos said.

Senior leaders across Amazon will decide whether to locate their teams in Seattle or the new place, he said, and employees are expected to have an option to move if they prefer.

Even those who disagree with Texas politics may be tempted by a lower cost of living. They could also focus on the city and region, where there are some high-profile examples of diversity and inclusion.

Dallas has had an ordinance prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation since 2002. Years later, Dallas voters overwhelming approved a similar charter amendment that also prohibited discrimination on gender identity and expression.

Dallas County's longserving sheriff, Lupe Valdez, is a Hispanic lesbian who's been featured in an HBO documentary. Jess Herbst, mayor of New Hope in Collin County, is a transgender woman who testified against the bathroom bill.

She's also urging candidates to run for office, one result of how the bathroom bill has galvanized and emboldened the transgender community.

On immigration, cities are pushing back. This year, Texas passed a bill to ban so-called sanctuary cities and allow law enforcement to question the immigration status of anyone arrested or detained.

Dallas, Houston, Austin and San Antonio sued to stop the law from taking effect. Police chiefs from the major cities opposed the bill and explained why in an op-ed.

Texas has a resistance, too.

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cans want to provide relief for the middle class, they should be looking at reducing payroll taxes and not just cutting income-tax rates as they did in 1981. One option would be to apply an expanded child credit against payroll taxes.

Fourth: The corporate tax rate has become a bigger problem. It has fallen since 1981, from 46 to 35 percent. But other countries have cut their rates further. In 1981, the corporate tax rates for Germany, the U.K. and Ireland were 56, 52 and 45, respectively. Now they are 39, 19 and 12.5. The U.S. corporate tax has made the country a less attractive place to invest, and rectifying that problem should be a priority for modern tax reform.

To their credit, Republicans are dealing with some of these new realities. They're giving more attention to cutting the corporate tax rate than cutting the top income-tax rate. But it remains to be seen how much they are willing to change.

The old reflexes are still strong, even if they were adapted for an environment we no longer inhabit.

Harvey and Irma can't be blamed on climate change

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In the era of fake news, misinformation tends to spread quickly — especially during a time of crisis. The deceptions that have sprung up in the wake of hurricanes Harvey and Irma show that it's high time to separate fact from fiction.

When Harvey hit landfall, a picture of a shark allegedly on a highway in Houston went viral, fooling at least one reporter. The same fake picture, which has been around for years, cropped up during Irma. Yet, before stopping to check if the picture is real, people retweet or share it on Facebook hundreds of thousands of times.

The same is true for blaming man-made climate change for Harvey and Irma. Before actually analyzing the data, one news outlet wrote, "Harvey is what climate change looks like." Another called the one-two punch of Harvey and Irma the potential "new normal." Other environmental activists went as far as to say that the two natural disasters are reason to finally jail officials who "reject science."

There's only one small problem with such accusations. Man-made warming did not cause Harvey and Irma. As carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gas emissions have increased, there have been no trends in global tropical cycle landfalls. Before Harvey and Irma, with a little bit of luck, the United States was in a 12-year hurricane drought. More importantly, the average number of hurricanes per decade reaching landfall in the U.S. has fallen over the past 160 years.

This comes not via "denier data," but from mainstream science. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change reported in its most recent scientific assessment that "(n)o robust trends in annual numbers of tropical storms, hurricanes, and major hurricanes ... have been identified over the past 100 years in the North Atlantic basin," and that there are "no significant observed trends in global tropical cyclone frequency."

According to the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration, "It is premature to conclude that human activities — and particularly greenhouse gas emissions that cause global warming — have already had a detectable impact on Atlantic hurricane or global tropical cyclone activity."

Other media outlets took a more measured approach, claiming that man did not cause Harvey and Irma but supercharged them. The reasoning is that warmer sea surface temperatures increase moisture in the air and, in turn, up the intensity of the hurricanes.

But University of Washington climatologist Cliff Mass, after examining precipitation levels in the Gulf, discredited this claim. He found that "(t)here is no evidence that global warming is influencing Texas coastal precipitation in the long term and little evidence that warmer than normal temperatures had any real impact on the precipitation intensity from this storm."

CNN asked Bill Read, former director of the National Hurricane Center, whether man-made climate change was intensifying storms. He said no, adding, "This is not an uncommon occurrence to see storms grow and intensify rapidly in the western Gulf of Mexico. That's as long as we've been tracking them that has occurred."

Even if man-made warming were responsible for Harvey and Irma, the policies that tax or regulate carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gas emissions are costly non-solutions. The U.S. could slap a $40 tax on all carbon dioxide emissions, and the "climate benefits" would be hardly noticeable. By the year 2100, the averted warming would be less than two-tenths of a degree Celsius, and the averted sea level rise would be less than 2 centimeters.

The costs, however, would be staggering. Because carbon dioxide-emitting conventional fuels meet 80 percent of America's energy needs, the tax would harm families multiple times over as energy is a necessary component for almost everything we make and do. Between now and 2035, the country would experience an average employment shortfall of 400,000 lost jobs, a total loss of income exceeding $20,000 for a family of four, and a $2.5 trillion hit to the overall economy. That means less wealth to combat future challenges, whether they are climate-related or not.

Political opportunism is distracting from what is important: helping the people in Houston, Florida and the islands. Policymakers should focus on improving natural disaster response, resilience and preparedness. Blaming man-made climate change on Harvey and Irma is truly denying the data.

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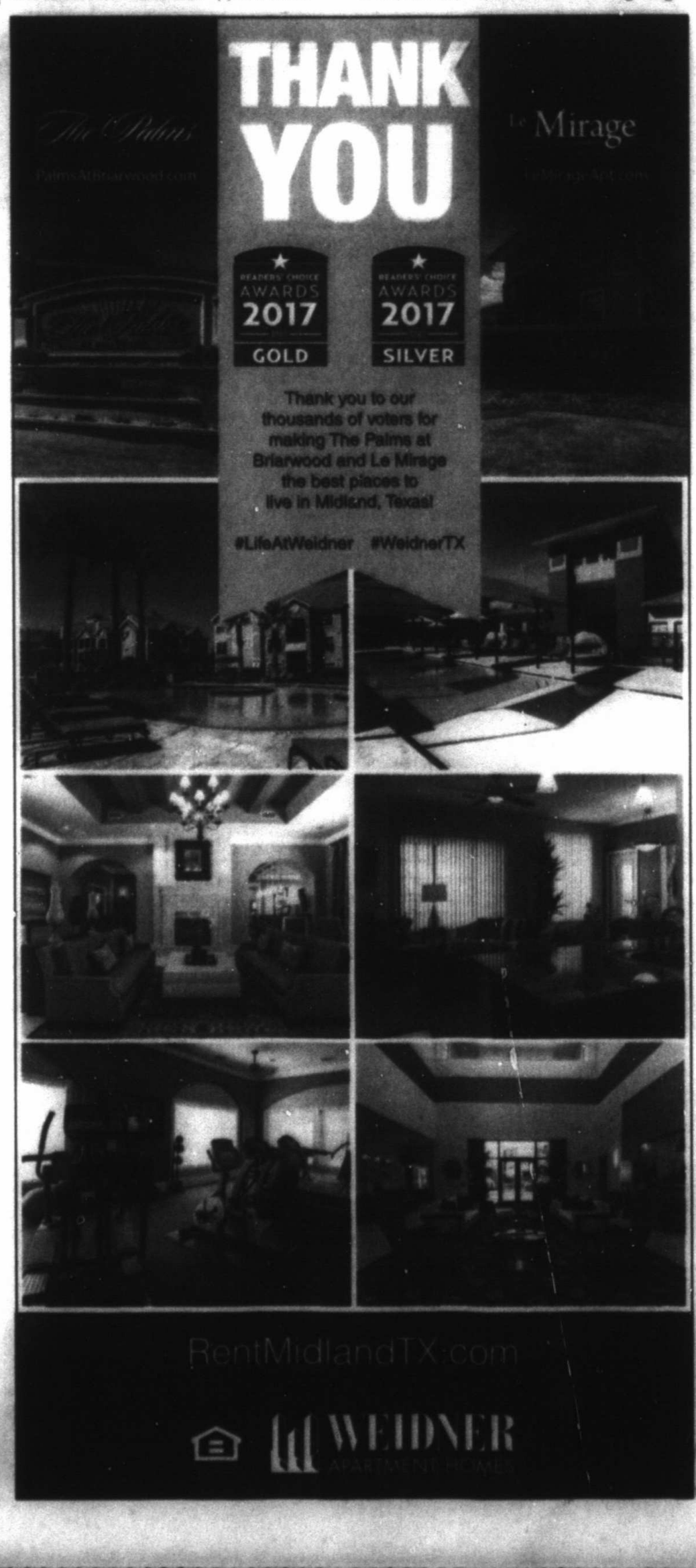

Rebels will take 3-0 start, can't allow late letdowns

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The Lee football team did enough to contain electric quarterback Cedarious Barfield and visiting El Paso El Dorado on Friday.

There was a lot to like, no doubt.

The Rebels' 48-34 victory over the Aztecs at Grande Communications Stadium improved the team to 3-0 for only the second time in the last 18 years.

Lee generated a season-high 639 yards of offense — 400 of them and five scores on the ground — and avenged last year's 62-35 loss to El Dorado in The Sun City.

The Rebel backfield led the way and was stellar, as both running backs Josh Traylor (25-171, 2 TDs) and Avery Akbar (14-172, 2 TDs) spun the heads of an Aztecs' defense that was mostly porous.

Defensively, Lee forced five fumbles and also got an athletic interception of

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MHS run game has been bright spot early in 2017

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DESOTO — Midland High's 334-mile trek to Eagle Stadium was time well spent Friday night.

It didn't appear that way in the outcome, as No. 4 DeSoto coasted to a 41-14 win over the Bulldogs football team.

The Eagles (3-0), the defending Class 6A Division II state champions, were never really threatened by MHS (0-3) at any point, leading throughout the entire contest.

Nevertheless, DeSoto served as a great measuring stick for the Bulldogs, being an elite program that produced 33 players that landed college scholarships in 2016.

Friday's loss exposed MHS' true strengths and weaknesses going up against an upper echelon team, and the biggest takeaway was the Bulldogs' running game looks like a real asset.

Despite DeSoto having bigger, quicker and faster athletes, the MHS offensive

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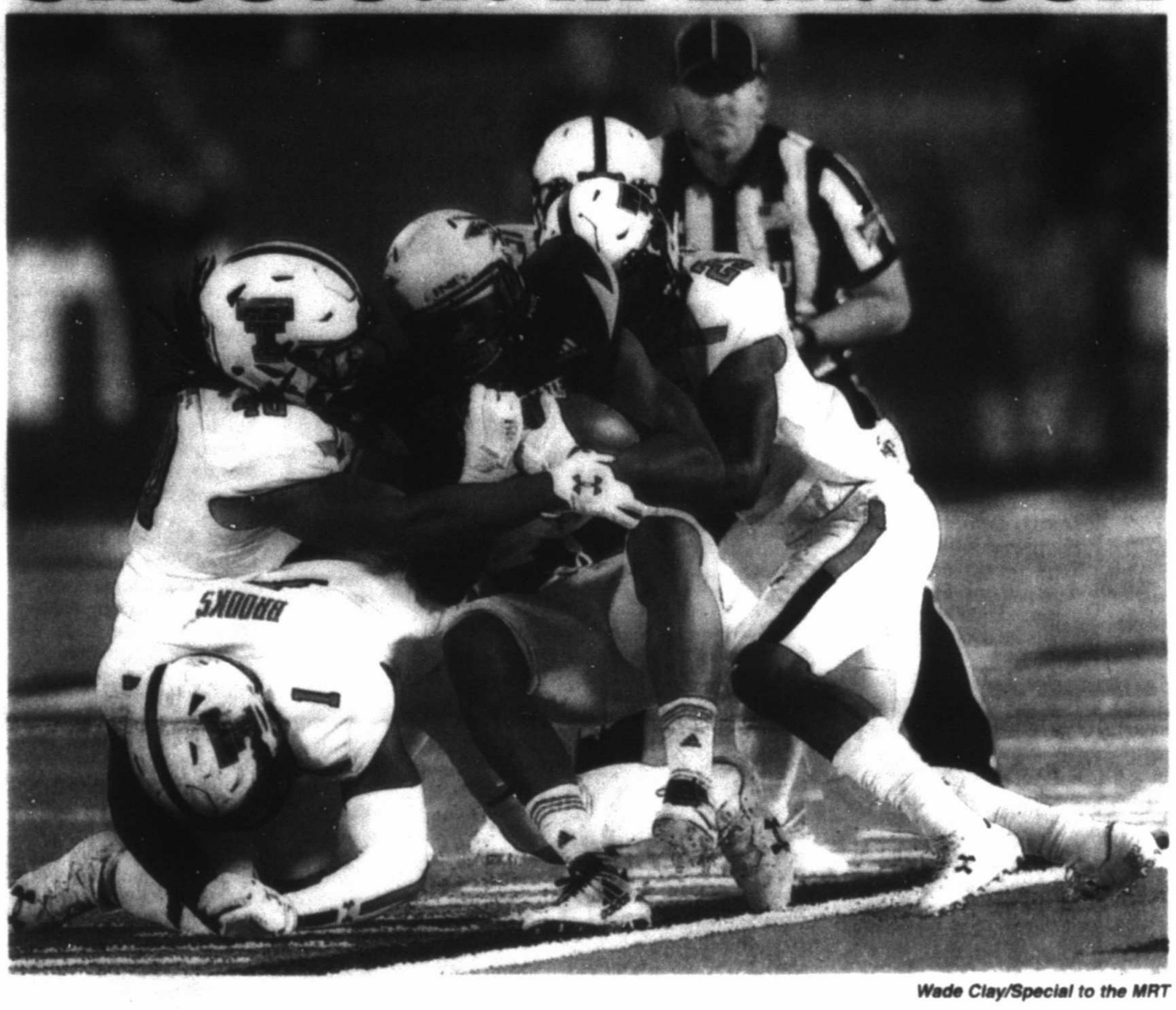
Shootout in Lubbock



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SunDevil running back Kalen Ballage is stopped by a swarm of Red Raiders in Saturday's game in Lubbock.

Red Raiders look formidable in first half vs ASU

By Oscar LeRoy
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LUBBOCK — Texas Tech had to deal with a weather delay on Saturday but had a strong first half against Arizona State.

At press time, the Red Raiders led the Sun Devils, 42-31, with 6:31 left in the third quarter.

The game was delayed an hour because of inclement weather that went through Lubbock just before the 7 p.m. scheduled kickoff.

The delay might have affected the Tech offense a little bit as the Red Raiders went three-and-out on their first drive.

But the Tech defense rose to the challenge as it held ASU to one field goal on two tries.

Tech quarterback Nic Shimonek heated up soon after as he threw touchdown passes of 12 and 11 yards to Keke Coutee and Cameron Batson, respectively for a 14-3 lead.

After an ASU fumble, Tech went up 21-3 when Shimonek hit Dylan Cantrell in stride for a 29-yad TD pass.

After a Sun Devil touchdown on a drive aided by a few Red Raider penalties that pulled to within ASU to within 21-10, Tech failed to push the lead when Desmond Nisby fumbled into the end zone, giving the Sun Devils the ball on the touchback.

ASU capitalized on the miscue when Demario Richard scored on a 4-yard run to cut the lead to 21-17.

But the Red Raiders closed the half with the momentum as Shimonek threw a 10-yard TD pass to Mason Reed. And then after a blocked punt by the special teams, Shimonek and Cantrell connected again for a 14-yard TD pass for a 35-17 lead at the half.

At the half, Shimonek had completed 21 of 25 passes for 318 yards and five TDs. At press time, he had thrown six TDs.

For more on the game, read Monday's edition of the Reporter-Telegram.

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Von Miller says he's not worried about sackless streak

By Arnie Stapleton
Associated Press

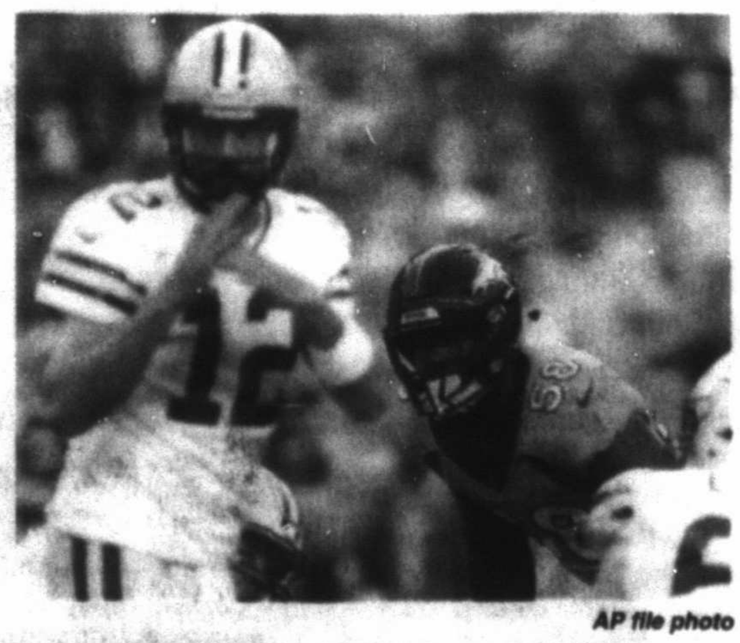
DENVER — Von Miller can't wait to bust out some of his new sack dances like the "Sexy T-Rex" he introduced after dumping Aaron Rodgers in the preseason.

Trouble is, Miller has now gone without a sack for a career-long five consecutive regular-season games.

So, like Miller, you'll just have to imagine his new moves.

The Chargers chose to double- and triple-team Miller in their 24-21 loss to the Broncos in the opener, keeping him from getting to Philip Rivers but severely limiting their offensive options. They didn't top 100 yards passing until the fourth quarter.

Miller's task gets no easier against the Cowboys (1-0) and terrific tackles Tyron Smith and La'el Collins, part of what Miller calls "an all-star offensive line" protecting Dak Prescott, who led Dallas to a 19-3 win over the Giants in their opener.



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Denver Broncos outside linebacker Von Miller (58) watches as Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers (12) calls time out during the first half of an NFL preseason game Aug. 26 in Denver. Von Miller can't wait to bust out some of his new sack dances like the "Sexy T-Rex" he introduced after dumping Aaron Rodgers in the preseason. Trouble is, Miller has now gone without a sack for a career-long five consecutive regular season games.

"They're really the tone-setters on our football team," said Dallas tight end Jason Witten. "They're the hardest-working group on the team ... They just fight. They're always last shoving. They're playing to the whistle."

Miller's an All-Pro himself, and despite his sackless streak he still ranks fourth in NFL history with .83 sacks per game. He's also become one of the best outside linebackers playing the run.

So he's the fulcrum of any defensive coordinator's blueprints.

"He's one of the best players in the league," said Cowboys coach Jason Garrett. "He is just fantastic in every aspect of the game. He's quick, he's fast, he's explosive. He's got great instincts for rushing the passer. He's so disruptive and he makes play after play after play each week. And he's getting a lot of attention from opposing offenses, so we have a real

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Lee looks sharp in win against Central

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The Lee volleyball team played more to its capabilities on Saturday.

After a challenging five-set win against Wolfforth Frenship on Tuesday in which the Lady Rebels slowly meandered into their offense, Lee bounced back with a 25-18, 23-25, 25-15, 25-22 home win against visiting San Angelo Central in District 2-6A action at the Lee gym.

The Lady Rebels improved to 21-12 overall and 2-0 in district, thanks to a more efficient approach to their offense and a stronger mental focus to finish off the Lady Bobcats (19-6, 1-2).

Blakley

Lee head coach Robert Blakley said the turnaround from Tuesday's struggle was clear.

"It was a much better game," Blakley said. "We still had a couple of runs in there where we gave away four or five points, but overall it was a good win for us. It was hands down a much better game than Tuesday."

Strambler

Added Lady Rebels middle hitter Quinci Strambler, who totaled 16 kills, five blocks and an ace: "On Tuesday, we didn't play the way we know how to play. Going into (Saturday's) game, the mentality was we need to get back to where we were. We were picking up balls and the defense was great, so we had to mentally bring that back."

As they did five days ago, Lee took a 1-0 set lead on the visitors and then settled for a 1-1 tie after Central rallied back from a late 22-20 deficit — one of the few mental lapses of the afternoon for the Lady Rebels.

Lee answered loudly with a 25-15 runaway in the third set, courtesy of an early 7-1 run and a 7-2 run midway through the frame.

Trailing 19-9, Central made things interesting with a 7-0 run of its own, but Lee buckled down and finished, scoring the set's final six points.

Even with a commanding lead in the third set, Strambler said she and her teammates couldn't afford to play conservatively, especially after Central had battle back to knot the match.

"(In the second set) We were taking too many plays off," Strambler said. "In the (third set), we hustled; we were up, didn't take any plays off."

In the final frame, the two sides dueled to a 19-19 tie, before Strambler helped Lee pull away late with a kill and block.

Blakley said his team didn't do anything spectacular to recover after surrendering the second set. Rather, it just stayed with itself and emphasized playing consistently.

"We weren't trying to do anything different," Blakley said. "We're trying to be the same team that practices, that started the season. We're just trying to be consistent. With high school girls, it's not always going to happen, but for the most part, the majority of (Saturday's match), we were consistent."

Strambler added that winning her team's first two district contests at home is a refreshing feeling for her and the program as a whole.

"It feels amazing," Strambler said. "I'm proud of my team and I'm proud to be a Rebel."

Lee's Emily Hillman led all players with 17 kills, to go along with four blocks and two aces, while Kelsey Harrington added 10 kills and four blocks.

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ON THE AIR

Canadian Football League
Ottawa at Montreal, Noon, ESPN2

Cycling
UCI World World Championships: Men's Team Time Trial, 9:30 a.m., OLYHD
UCI Cyclo-Cross World Cup: Women's Elite, 2 p.m., OLYHD
UCI Cyclo-Cross World Cup: Men's Elite, 3:30 p.m., OLYHD
UCI Road World Championships: Junior Women's Individual Time Trial, 3:30 a.m., OLYHD

Golf
PGA: BMW Championship, Final Round, 11 a.m., GOLF
PGA: BMW Championship, Final Round, 1 p.m., NBC
EPGA: KLM Open, Final Round, 1 p.m., GOLF
Web.com: Albertson's Boise Open, Final Open, 4 p.m., GOLF

Major League Baseball
St. Louis at Chicago Cubs, 1 p.m., TBS
Seattle at Houston, 1 p.m., ATTSE
Texas at LA Angels, 2:30 p.m., FSSW
LA Dodgers at Washington, 7 p.m., ESPN, ESPNDEP

Men's Soccer
Bundesliga: TSG 1899 Hoffenheim vs. Hertha BSC Berlin, 6:30 a.m., FS1
PL: Chelsea vs. Arsenal, 7:30 a.m., CNBC, TELE
Bundesliga: Bayer 04 Leverkusen vs. SC Freiburg, 8:30 a.m., FS1
La Liga: Girona vs. Sevilla, 9:10 a.m., beIN2
PL: Manchester United vs. Everton, 10 a.m., NBCSN, TELE
WAFU Cup of Nations: Niger vs. Ivory Coast, 10 a.m., FSP
MLS: New York Red Bulls vs. Philadelphia Union, Noon, ESPN, ESPNDEP
Liga MX: Deportivo Toluca FC vs. Queretaro FC, Noon, UNIV
WAFU Cup of Nations: Senegal vs. Benin, 1 p.m., FSP

Motorsports
F1: Singapore Grand Prix, 7 a.m., NBCSN, UniMas, UDN
NHRA: Carolina Nationals, 1:30 p.m., FS1
Monster Energy Cup Series: Tales of the Turtles 400, 2 p.m., NBCSN
IndyCar: GoPro Grand Prix of Sonoma, 5:30 p.m., NBCSN

National Football League
New England at New Orleans, Noon, CBS
Philadelphia at Kansas City, Noon, FOX
Dallas at Denver, 3:25 p.m., FOX
Green Bay at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m., NBC

National Hockey League
Las Vegas at Vancouver, 4 p.m., NHL

Tennis
WTA: National Bank Cup Final, 10 a.m., beIN
WTA: Toray Pan Pacific Open, 10:30 p.m., beIN

Women's National Basketball Association
Semifinal, Gm 3: Minnesota at Washington, 2 p.m., ESPN2
Semifinal, Gm 3: Los Angeles at Phoenix, 4 p.m., ESPN2

Women's Soccer
NCAA: LSU vs. Vanderbilt, 4 p.m., SEC
NCAA: Tennessee vs. Kentucky, 5 p.m., ESPNU

RADIO

Major League Baseball
Seattle at Houston, 1 p.m., KBYG 106.1 FM/1400 AM (Big Spring)
Texas at LA Angels, 2:30 p.m., KPET 105.1 FM/690 AM (Lamesa), KBST 1490 AM (Big Spring)

National Football League
Dallas at Denver, 3:25 p.m., KQRX 95.1 FM, KBEST 95.7 FM (Big Spring), KTXC 104.7 FM (Esp)

Texas League Baseball
Texas League Championship, Game 5(if necessary): Midland at Tulsa, 6 p.m., KFZX 102.1 FM

Lady Chaps split second day in Baytown

From staff reports

BAYTOWN — The No. 17-ranked Midland College volleyball team split its second day of action on Saturday at the Lee College Invitational.

The Lady Chaps swept Victoria College 25-16, 25-12, 25-13 before San Jacinto College topped MC in four sets, 25-20, 21-25, 25-20, 26-24.

Ashley Vanfleet led MC with 24 kills over the two matches, while Desi Marmolejo had 39 assists and 17 digs. Breann Schreiber had 18 kills, while Luisa Nieto added 13 kills.

The Lady Chaps completed the tournament with a 3-1 record and next host rival Odessa College at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

NO. 17 MIDLAND COLLEGE DEF. VICTORIA COLLEGE 25-16, 25-12, 25-13
Midland statistics
Kills — Enis Agaj 10, Call Barger 6, Breann Schreiber 7, Luisa Nieto 6, Taylor Smith 0, Kristen Johnson 3, Ashley Vanfleet 1, Fernanda Mirjon 1
Assists — Desi Marmolejo 18, Ashley Van Gieson 8, Mirjon 6, Ryan Kuhney 1, Lauren Hermes 1, Nieto 1
Digs — Kathley 6, Marmolejo 4, Mirjon 4, Agaj 3, Hermes 3, Nieto 3, Schreiber 2, Vanfleet 2, Van Gieson 2, Alexandra Rodio 2, Barger 1
Blocks — Smith 3.5, Barger 3, Kaylee Wilburn 1, Johnson 1, Nieto 0.5
Aces — Marmolejo 1, Agaj 1, Rodio 1, Van Gieson 1, Vanfleet 1

SAN JACINTO COLLEGE DEF. NO. 17 MIDLAND COLLEGE 25-20, 21-25, 25-20, 26-24
Midland statistics
Kills — Ashley Vanfleet 23, Breann Schreiber 11, Luisa Nieto 5, Kristen Johnson 4, Call Barger 2, Desi Marmolejo 1
Assists — Marmolejo 21, Fernanda Mirjon 18, Lauren Hermes 4
Digs — Hermes 17, Marmolejo 13, Schreiber 6, Mirjon 7, Vanfleet 5, Barger 3, Nieto 2, Kaylee Wilburn 1
Blocks — Nieto 4, Schreiber 3.5, Vanfleet 1.5, Johnson 1.5, Wilburn 1, Barger 0.5
Aces — Mirjon 3, Hermes 2, Vanfleet 1
Record: Midland 17-3
Next: Odessa College at Midland College, 7 p.m.

Greenwood falls to MCA in split

From staff reports

The Greenwood and Midland Classical volleyball teams were both in non-district action Saturday at the Greenwood High School gym.

As part of a triangular, Greenwood defeated Big Spring 25-16, 20-25, 26-28, 25-19, 15-12 before MCA topped the Rangerettes 25-23, 24-26, 25-23, 25-23.

Caity Payne and Payslee Sims co-led Greenwood (20-9) with 23 kills in the two matches, while Hanna Flores had a team-high 42 assists. Kailey Martinez added 16 kills and two blocks for Greenwood.

Lizabelle Russell paced MCA (17-4) with 16 kills and five blocks, while Kenna Bayley had 28 assists, 12 digs and three aces for the Lady Knights.

GREENWOOD DEF. BIG SPRING 25-16, 20-25, 26-28, 25-19, 15-13
MCA DEF. GREENWOOD 25-23, 24-26, 25-23, 25-23
MCA statistics
Kills — Lizabelle Russell 16, Jenny Coco 13, Lela Beattie 11, Cammie Stokes 2, Makenna Beattie 1, Kenna Bayley 1, Micaela McDougall 1
Assists — Bayley 28, McDougall 17, L. Beattie 1
Digs — Coco 21, Allison Shelby 18, L. Beattie 14, Bayley 12, M. Beattie 9, McDougall 8, Russell 3, Stokes 2
Blocks — Russell 5, Coco 2, L. Beattie 2, Bayley 1
Aces — Bayley 3, Shelby 2, McDougall 1, Russell 1
Greenwood cumulative statistics
Kills — Caity Payne 23, Payslee Sims 23, Kailey Martinez 16, Kyndall Dove 13, Gracie Huber 9, Bradi Good 8, Kadyn Ellis 3, Hanna Flores 2, Kayleigh Kitto 1, Jaycie Rose 1
Assists — Flores 42, Faith Duran 35, Payne 4, Good 2, Ellis 1, Huber 1, Kitto 1, Martinez 1
Digs — Sims 23, Madi Ulcek 20, Ellis 14, Duran 9, Rose 8, Dove 6, Payne 5, Flores 5, Kitto 3, Huber 1
Blocks — Payne 4, Huber 2.5, Martinez 2, Good 1, Sims 1, Dove 0.5, Kaylee Cheek 0.5
Aces — Ulcek 4, Ellis 4, Sims 3, Dove 1
Records: MCA 17-4; Greenwood 20-9
Next: Lubbock Trinity at MCA, 7 p.m. Tuesday; Greenwood at Trinity, 7 p.m. Tuesday

Bulldogs roll past Central

From staff reports

SAN ANGELO — The Midland High tennis team rolled to a 15-4 win over San Angelo Central in District 2-6A play Saturday behind a dominant showing by its boys players and singles players.

The Bulldogs went a combined 11-1 in singles matches. The MHS boys swept all six singles matches and three doubles matches.

The Bulldogs improved to 2-1 in district and will host Odessa Permian at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday.

MIDLAND HIGH DEF. SAN ANGELO CENTRAL, 15-4
MHS winners listed first unless otherwise noted
Boys singles
1. Tyler Stewart def. Coleman White, 6-3, 6-3; 2. Nick Martinez def. Everett Bailey, 6-4, 6-0; 3. Diego Martinez def. Luke Sawyer, 7-5, 6-3; 4. Cole Carriger def. Koby Buker, 6-2, 6-3; 5. Travis Andrews def. Isaiah Camarillo, 7-5, 7-6; 6. Luke Morrow def. David Hensley, 6-1, 6-1
Boys doubles
1. Stewart- N. Martinez def. White-Bailey, 6-3, 6-2; 2. Wall-Andrews def. Sawyer-Hirschfeld, 6-1, 6-4; 3. D. Martinez-Morrow def. Camarillo-Hensley, 6-3, 6-2
Girls singles
1. Allison Stewart def. Natalie Pfluger, 6-0, 6-1; 2. Sofia Salcedo def. Genna Fuentes, 1-6, 6-3, 10-7; 3. Shaquilla Sarapao def. Chandra Ross, 6-1, 6-4; 4. Camille Courtney def. Addison Henson, 6-1, 6-3; 5. Shannon Hickey def. Madi Brown, 6-1, 6-4; 6. Madison Rutherford, Central def. Laynie Gorden, 6-2, 6-1
Girls doubles
1. Pfluger-Ross, Central def. Salcedo-Hickey, 6-4, 6-1; 2. Henson-Brown, Central def. Courtney-Sarapao, 6-4, 6-4; 3. Rutherford-Fuentes, Central def. Gorden-Venegas, 6-1, 6-4
Mixed doubles
Stewart-Carriger def. Jost-Buker, 6-1, 6-1

Done, Dale: Junior's final season ends without championship

By Dan Gelston
Associated Press

Nam Y. Huh/Associated Press

Dale Earnhardt Jr., checks his hair during the final practice for the NASCAR Cup Monster Energy Series auto race at Chicagoland Speedway on Saturday in Joliet, Ill.

JOLIET, Ill. — Dale Earnhardt Jr. received a stamp of approval from fans wanting to write letters to the retiring star, wishing him luck.

Jennifer Hoger has attended races at Chicagoland Speedway for 15 years and penned similar farewell notes to former NASCAR champions Jeff Gordon and Tony Stewart in their retirement seasons. She stopped at the red mailbox with No. 88 on the door to drop off her letter:

Dear Dale,

Thank you for all the memories here @Chicagoland Speedway!! Good luck in your future endeavors!!!

The Hoger Family
Bridgeview, Illinois

"It's just something I really wanted to do for him," she said. "He's just a regular guy when you see the way he interacts with people on pit road. He's just a great guy."

Moments later, a track employee picked up the latest haul from the stuffed mailbox — she estimated 200 letters already had been written by Saturday morning — and promised they would be delivered to Junior by the end of race weekend.

Randy Dunn had a simple note for NASCAR's most popular driver:

Hi Jr.
Let's Go Racing
Randy Dunn

Dunn wrote his Marion, Illinois, address on the note just in case Junior wanted to write back and maybe spend some time with him.

"I hope so. I'm a very big fan," Dunn said. "Whatever he wants to do is fine with me."

Fan enthusiasm hasn't waned for Junior even as he's stumbled through a disheartening final season that will end without a NASCAR Cup championship in his 18-year career. Earnhardt, a two-time Daytona 500 champion, has just one top-five finish this season and hasn't finished better than 12th in his last 10 races in the No. 88 Chevrolet. When NASCAR's version of the playoffs open Sunday at Chicagoland, Earnhardt starts with a more modest goal of finishing the season inside the top 20 in the standings.

"We should've run well all year and gotten ourselves into the playoffs for all of our fans," he said.

Earnhardt has been feted at tracks all season, receiving donations in his name and framed photos of great moments. At Chicagoland, he cuddled a puppy as the track announced an $8,800 donation to a Chicago-based animal shelter.

He strides through the garage hounded by autograph-seekers who know this is their last chance to receive that favored souvenir on their die cast, hat or poster.

There are 16 drivers in the NASCAR playoff field.

There's only one driver with the stature of Dale Junior.

Earnhardt has been plagued by concussions the last several years, and he missed half of last season recovering from a head injury. He delayed contract talks on an extension to drive the No. 88 Chevrolet, and the winner of 26 career Cup races decided in the spring to call it quits this season.

A third-generation racer, Earnhardt turns 43 in October, is newly married and has said he wants to start a family. He has won NASCAR's most popular driver award a record 14 times.

He wanted to win a championship for himself, his team and owner Rick Hendrick, but also for the fans who have idolized him because of his aw-shucks charm, candor and deep NASCAR roots. His late Hall of Fame father, Dale, won seven titles and was known as "The Intimidator."

Earnhardt just could never get it going in a bit of a lackluster season by Hendrick's lofty standards.

Seven-time champion Jimmie Johnson had a quirky season in which his only three top-five finishes were wins. Chase Elliott made the playoffs on points and did not win a race. Kasey Kahne qualified with a Brickyard 400 victory but had otherwise been so inefficient over his Hendrick career that he'll be dumped at the end of the season with a year left on his contract.

"The pressure of trying to win the championship is not there, but that is a pressure that you kind of want," Earnhardt said. "Even though you want it, it is not there. There is a concern, I guess, that you could get sort of complacent and go through these races and maybe some of the urgency or importance falls away a little bit because there is no ultimate carrot about there like that championship trophy."

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE — Suspended Chicago Cubs C Willson Contreras two games and fined him an undisclosed amount and fined Cubs RHP John Lackey an undisclosed amount for their actions during Friday's game.
American League
DETROIT TIGERS — Reinstated 2B Dixon Machado from paternity leave.
LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Assigned RHP Brooks Pounders outright to Salt Lake (PCL).
NEW YORK YANKEES — Recalled INF Miguel Andujar and RHP Jonathan Holder from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL).
TAMPA BAY RAYS — Reinstated RHP Jacob Faria from the 10-day DL.
National League
ATLANTA BRAVES — Reinstated RHP Jason Motte from the 10-day DL.
CHICAGO CUBS — Reinstated SS Addison Russell from the 10-day DL.
MINNESOTA TWINS — Sent RHP Brandon McCarthy to Tulsa (TL) for a rehab assignment.
MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Designated 3B Yadiel Rivera for assignment. Placed RHP Jimmy Nelson on the 10-day DL. Selected the contract of RHP Aaron Wilkerson from Colorado Springs (PCL).
PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Sent RHP Drew Hutchison outright to Indianapolis (IL).
FOOTBALL
National Football League
BALTIMORE RAVENS — Placed CB Sheldon Price on injured reserve. Waived RB Jeremy Langford. Signed RB Alex Collins and CB Tony McRae from the practice squad.
CLEVELAND BROWNS — Waived DL Tyrone Holmes. Signed WR Rashard Higgins from the practice squad.
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Signed LB Darrell Sankey from the practice squad. Waived WR Matt Hazel.
KANSAS CITY CHIEFS — Released RB C.J. Spiller. Signed RB Akeem Hunt from the practice squad.
LOS ANGELES CHARGERS — Signed CB Michael Davis from the practice squad. Waived WR Geremy Davis.
LOS ANGELES RAMS — Activated DT Aaron Donald from the exempt list. Signed CB Kevin Peterson from the practice squad. Waived OL Aaron Neary.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Released OL Willie Beavers from the practice squad.
NEW YORK JETS — Waived/injured LB Edmond Robinson. Signed DL Lawrence Thomas and LB Freddie Bishop from the practice squad.
SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS — Waived CB Keith Reaser. Signed CB Asa Jackson from the practice squad.

NASCAR

NASCAR XFINITY-TheHouse.com 300 Results
Saturday
At Chicagoland Speedway
Joliet, Ill.
Lap length: 1.50 miles
(Start position in parentheses)
1. (14) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 200 laps, 0 rating, 47 points.
2. (3) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 0.
3. (6) Elliott Sadler, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 45.
4. (9) Daniel Hemric, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 34.
5. (13) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 0.
6. (7) Matt Tifft, Toyota, 200, 0, 35.
7. (5) Cole Custer, Ford, 200, 0, 47.
8. (17) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 0.
9. (11) Blake Koch, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 28.
10. (16) Darrell Wallace Jr, Ford, 200, 0, 27.
11. (12) Brennan Poole, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 26.
12. (15) Brandon Jones, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 25.
13. (19) Brendan Gaughan, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 24.
14. (24) Spencer Gallagher, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 23.
15. (18) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 22.
16. (20) Dakoda Armstrong, Toyota, 200, 0, 21.
17. (10) Ryan Reed, Ford, 200, 0, 20.
18. (1) Erik Jones, Toyota, 200, 0, 0.
19. (2) Daniel Suarez, Toyota, 199, 0, 0.
20. (23) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 199, 0, 17.
21. (25) JJ Yeley, Toyota, 198, 0, 16.
22. (34) David Starr, Chevrolet, 197, 0, 15.
23. (21) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 196, 0, 14.
24. (22) Ryan Sieg, Chevrolet, 196, 0, 13.
25. (27) Harrison Rhodes, Chevrolet, 196, 0, 12.
26. (4) Ryan Blaney, Ford, 196, 0, 0.
27. (29) Joey Gase, Chevrolet, 196, 0, 10.
28. (37) Spencer Boyd, Chevrolet, 194, 0, 9.
29. (31) Vinnie Miller, Chevrolet, 193, 0, 8.
30. (35) Chris Cockrum, Chevrolet, 193, 0, 7.
31. (32) Mario Gosselin, Chevrolet, 184, 0, 6.
32. (39) Mike Harmon, Dodge, 184, 0, 5.
33. (8) William Byron, Chevrolet, transmission, 166, 0, 4.
34. (30) Josh Bilicki, Chevrolet, electrical, 152, 0, 3.
35. (26) BJ McLeod, Chevrolet, engine, 86, 0, 2.
36. (28) Timmy Hill, Toyota, vibration, 33, 0, 1.
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Race Statistics
Average Speed of Race Winner: 133.207 mph
Time of Race: 2 hours, 15 minutes, 7 seconds
Margin of Victory: 1.772 seconds
Caution Flags: 5 for 24 laps.
Lead Changes: 11 among 5 drivers.
Lap Leaders: E.Jones 1-47; C.Custer 48; E.Jones 49-92; C.Custer 93-130; K.Larson 131-145; C.Custer 146; K.Larson 147-151; C.Custer 152; K.Larson 153-154; R.Blaney 155-182; E.Jones 183-185; J.Allgaier 186-200.
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Top 10 in Points: 1. E.Sadler, 939; 2. J.Allgaier, 821; 3. W.Byron, 803; 4. D.Hemric, 736; 5. B.Poole, 727; 6. C.Custer, 664; 7. M.Tifft, 617; 8. B.Koch, 565; 9. B.Gaughan, 535; 10. M.Annett, 534.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Toronto FC	17	3	8	59	59	26
New York City FC	15	8	5	50	49	36
Chicago	14	9	6	48	52	37
Columbus	13	12	5	44	45	45
Atlanta United FC	12	8	7	43	57	35
New York	12	10	5	41	41	36
Montreal	10	12	6	36	44	46
New England	10	13	5	35	44	48
Orlando City	9	12	8	35	32	47
Philadelphia	8	12	8	32	37	39
D.C. United	8	17	4	28	23	49

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Vancouver	13	9	6	45	45	39
Seattle	11	7	11	44	42	35
Portland	12	9	8	44	49	45
Sporting Kansas City	10	9	11	41	32	21
Houston	10	9	9	39	48	38
FC Dallas	9	8	11	38	39	38
San Jose	10	12	6	36	31	48
Real Salt Lake	10	14	5	35	42	51
Minnesota United	8	15	5	29	36	58
Los Angeles	7	14	6	27	36	48
Colorado	7	16	4	25	25	41

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

Saturday's Scores
Orlando City 3, Atlanta United FC 3, tie
Columbus 2, Vancouver 2, tie
Minnesota United 3, Montreal 2
Seattle 0, FC Dallas 0, tie
Chicago 3, D.C. United 0
Sporting Kansas City 3, New England 1
New York City FC at Colorado, late
Portland at Real Salt Lake, late
Houston at San Jose, late
Toronto FC at Los Angeles, late
Sunday's Game
Philadelphia at New York, noon

LEE

From 1C

Karigan Edwards had a team-high 24 digs for Lee, while Allie Gomez collected 35 assists. Jensen Letcher totaled eight kills, 21 assists, six digs and three blocks.

For Central, Megan Scott totaled 10 kills.

Follow Will on Twitter: @Will_MRT

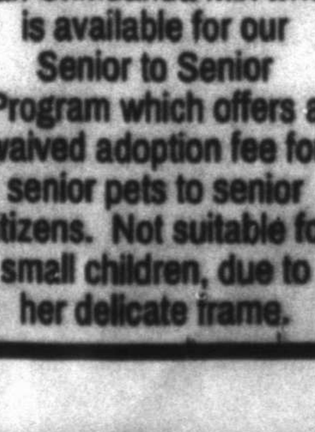
LEE DEF. SAN ANGELO CENTRAL 25-18, 23-25, 25-16, 25-22
Central statistical leaders
Kills — Megan Scott 10
Assists —Veronica Guerrero 17
Digs — Arrellas Rios 23
Lee statistics
Kills — Emily Hillman 17, Quinci Strambler 16, Kelsey Harrington 10, Jensen Letcher 8, Elizabeth Kuhn 5, Mckenzie Gibson 4
Assists — Allie Gomez 35, Letcher 21, M. Gibson 4
Digs —Karigan Edwards 24, Kuhn 10, Gomez 9, Strambler 6, Letcher 6, Hillman 4, Harrington 2, M. Gibson 1
Blocks — Strambler 5, Harrington 4, Hillman 4, Letcher 3
Aces — Edwards 3, Hillman 2, Gomez 1, Letcher 1, Strambler 1
Record: Central 19-6, 1-2 in District 2-6A; Lee 21-12, 2-0 in District 2-6A
Next: Wolfforth Frenship at San Angelo Central, 5 p.m. Tuesday; Lee at Odessa High, 5 p.m. Tuesday

District 2-6A Volleyball Standings

	District	Overall
Midland High	**3-0**	**21-12**
Lee	**2-0**	**21-12**
Wolfforth Frenship	1-1	11-16
San Angelo Central	1-2	19-6
Odessa Permian	1-2	16-11
Amarillo Tascosa	0-1	17-13
Odessa High	0-2	6-19

Sept. 16 score
Lee 3, San Angelo Central 1
Sept. 19 matches
Lee at Odessa Permian; Odessa High at Midland High; Wolfforth Frenship and Amarillo Tascosa are open. All matches at 5 p.m.

MIDLAND HUMANE COALITION
UPCOMING EVENTS
9/11 6:00 Volunteer Orientation at Adoption Center in PetSmart
9/15 - 9/17 PetSmart Charities' National Adoption Weekend
9/16 9:00-12:00 Shot & Microchip Clinic at Midland's PetSmart
9/23 7th Annual Furr Ball at Petroleum Club of Midland



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Holmes, Neuse help 'Hounds tie series at 2-2

From staff reports

TULSA, Okla. — Behind a four-run fifth inning headlined by a three-run home run by Sheldon Neuse, the Midland RockHounds picked up a 6-3 win over the Tulsa Drillers in Game 4 of the Texas League Championship series, Saturday at ONEOK Field.

Midland staved off elimination for the second time in as many nights, as they kept their season alive Friday night with a 2-0 win. The best-of-five series is now tied at 2-2 and is headed for a winner-take-all Game 5 at 6:05 p.m. today at ONEOK field.

Midland is in search of its fourth consecutive TL title.

The RockHounds took a 1-0 lead in the second on a passed ball by Tulsa catcher Garrett Kennedy, before the Drillers tied the game in the fourth on a wild pitch by Midland starter Grant Holmes.

Holmes notched the win after limiting Tulsa to three runs (two earned) on four hits over 6 1/3 innings, while striking out six and walking three.

In the fifth, the RockHounds recaptured the lead courtesy of an RBI single by Viosergy Rosa. Neuse's three-run shot then stretched the lead to 5-1.

Relievers Brandon Mann, Nolan Blackwood, Tyler Sturdevenant and Kyle Finnegan combined to spin 2 2/3 scoreless innings for Midland.

Finnegan earned his second save of the series after striking out one over 1 1/3 hitless frames.

TEXAS LEAGUE

Championship
Best-of-5
Tulsa 2, Midland 2
Tuesday, Sep. 12: Tulsa 5, Midland 3
Wednesday, Sep. 13: Tulsa 5, Midland 4
Friday, Sep. 15: Midland 2, Tulsa 0
Saturday, Sep. 16: Midland 6, Tulsa 3
Sunday, Sep. 17: Midland at Tulsa, 6:05 p.m.

ROCKHOUNDS 6, DRILLERS 3

Midland	ab	r	h	bi	Tulsa	ab	r	h	bi
Mateo ss	5	0	0	0	Robinson ss	4	0	0	0
Schrock 2b	5	1	1	0	Diaz rf	3	0	0	0
Curtis dh	4	1	1	0	Beaty 1b	4	0	0	0
Rosa 1b	5	1	2	1	Garlick lf	4	0	1	0
Neuse 3b	3	1	1	3	Gallen cf	3	1	2	0
Sportman cf	4	0	1	0	Mejia 3b	3	2	1	0
Ramirez lf	3	1	0	0	Jackson 2b	3	0	0	0
Murphy c	3	1	1	0	Peters dh	2	0	1	1
Tarovich rf	2	0	0	0	Kennedy c	2	0	0	0
					Ruiz ph-c	2	0	0	1
Totals	34	6	7	4	Totals	31	3	5	2

Midland ..... 010 040 010 — 6
Tulsa ..... 000 100 200 — 3

E — Holmes (1), Murphy (1), Jackson (1). DP — Midland 1. LOB — Midland 8, Tulsa 7. HR — Neuse (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Midland						
Holmes W, 1-0	6.1	4	3	2	3	6
Mann	0.1	0	0	0	0	0
Blackwood	0.1	0	0	0	1	0
Sturdevant	0.2	1	0	0	0	0
Finnegan S, 2	1.1	0	0	0	1	1
Tulsa						
Alvarez L, 0-1	4.1	5	4	3	3	1
Shibuya	3.0	2	2	1	2	0
Spitzbarth	0.2	0	0	0	1	1
Soplo	1.0	0	0	0	0	0

HBP — By Alvarez (Curtis).
WP — Holmes, Sturdevant.
T — 3:02. A — 3,245.

Astros gets 8-6 win over Mariners

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

HOUSTON — On a day when the Houston Astros cut their magic number to one for clinching the AL West title, they were already looking ahead to accomplishing another goal.

"Winning the division (will be) great but at the end of the day all you want is home-field advantage," said Carlos Beltran, who had three hits and two RBIs in Houston's 8-6 victory over the Seattle Mariners on Saturday.

Dallas Keuchel pitched six effective innings to help the Astros (90-58) reach 90 wins for the first time since 2004. They can secure the franchise's seventh division title with one more win or a loss for the Los Angeles Angels, who were scheduled to play Texas on Saturday night.

"Getting 90 wins for me personally is a highlight just because of how many lean years there have been," said Keuchel, who was with the team for the last two of three straight 100-loss seasons from 2011-13.

Houston had the best record in the AL for most of the season before Cleveland's 22-game winning streak put the Indians atop the standings at 91-57 heading into Saturday's game against Kansas City.

Astros manager A.J. Hinch is proud of how his team has been playing down the stretch.

"They're getting after it," he said. "They see what's at stake. They're playing hard. They're playing well, which is a good sign."

A day after scoring three runs in the first, the Astros jumped on the Mariners again, scoring four times against Erasmo Ramirez (5-6) in the second inning.

"He's had that happen a couple of times where he's fallen off the rails a little bit," manager Scott Servais said. "Just command and stuff wasn't sharp in the second inning."

Keuchel (13-4) allowed one run — Jean Segura's 11th homer in the sixth — and four hits, bouncing back nicely from a rocky performance in his previous start. The 2015 AL Cy Young Award winner issued a season-high four walks in 5 2/3 innings in a 10-2 loss at Oakland last Sunday.

Joe Musgrove allowed a solo homer to Mitch Haniger with two outs in the ninth before striking out Robinson Cano for his first save.

George Springer and Josh Reddick had two hits and two RBIs apiece for the Astros, who have won three in a row.

The Mariners scored four runs in the eighth. Cano hit a two-run single and Nelson Cruz and Kyle Seager had RBI singles before Musgrove came in and retired three in a row.

The Astros jumped in front on Derek Fisher's RBI double with two outs in the second. Springer followed with a two-run single and Reddick doubled home a run to make it 4-0 Houston.

David J. Phillip/Associated Press

Houston Astros' Derek Fisher (21) scores a run as Seattle Mariners catcher Carlos Ruiz waits for the throw during the second inning of a baseball game Saturday in Houston.

Altuve and Carlos Correa hit consecutive singles with no outs in the fifth before a third single — this one by Beltran — scored Altuve and chased Ramirez. Houston tacked on another run when Correa scampered home on Alex Bregman's double play.

Ramirez allowed eight hits and walked three in four-plus innings.

Trainer's room

Mariners: Servais said there was nothing physically wrong with James Paxton a day after he got just four outs in his first start since returning from the disabled list on Friday night. Servais said he was just "out of whack" on the mound after sitting out since Aug. 10 with a strained pectoral muscle.

Astros: RHP Lance McCullers threw a bullpen session and the Astros will see how he feels on Sunday before deciding if he'll start on Tuesday against the White Sox. He was scratched from his scheduled start on Wednesday after experiencing arm fatigue during pregame throwing.

What a relief

Seattle's Ariel Miranda made his first relief appearance in the sixth after 29 starts this season. He struck out one in a scoreless inning in his first relief appearance since Aug. 9, 2016.

"We'll use him. Keep him fresh, keep him going," Servais said. "If we do need to start him we can or we can bring him out of the bullpen."

Up next

Astros: Justin Verlander (12-8, 3.58 ERA) will make his first home start on Sunday since being traded from the Tigers on Aug. 31. Verlander, who has started twice for the Astros on the road, was great in his last start, allowing just one hit in eight innings of a 1-0 win over the Angels.

MLB GLANCE

Standings

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	85	63	.574	—
New York	82	66	.554	3
Tampa Bay	72	77	.483	13½
Baltimore	72	77	.483	13½
Toronto	70	79	.470	15½
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Cleveland	92	57	.617	—
Minnesota	77	71	.520	14½
Kansas City	73	75	.493	18½
Detroit	61	87	.412	30½
Chicago	60	88	.405	31½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	90	58	.608	—
Los Angeles	75	72	.510	14½
Seattle	74	75	.497	16½
Texas	72	75	.490	17½
Oakland	65	82	.442	24½

z-clinched playoff berth

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Washington	89	59	.601	—
Miami	69	79	.466	20
Atlanta	67	80	.456	21½
New York	64	84	.432	25
Philadelphia	57	90	.388	31½
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	82	66	.554	—
Milwaukee	78	70	.527	4
St. Louis	77	71	.520	5
Pittsburgh	68	81	.456	14½
Cincinnati	65	84	.436	17½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Los Angeles	96	52	.649	—
Arizona	86	62	.581	10
Colorado	82	67	.550	14½
San Diego	65	83	.439	31
San Francisco	57	92	.383	39½

z-clinched playoff berth
x-clinched division

Wild Card standings

American League

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	82	66	.554	—
Minnesota	77	71	.520	—
Los Angeles	75	72	.510	1½
Seattle	74	75	.497	3½
Kansas City	73	75	.493	4

National League

	W	L	Pct	WCGB
Arizona	86	62	.581	—
Colorado	82	67	.550	—
Milwaukee	78	70	.527	3½

Scores

American League
Saturday's Scores

Houston 8, Seattle 6
N.Y.Yankees 9, Baltimore 3
Cleveland 8, Kansas City 4
Boston 3, Texas 2
Oakland at Philadelphia, late
L.A. 2, Texas 0

Today's Games

Baltimore (Jimenez 5-10) at N.Y.Yankees (Sabathia 11-5), 12:05 p.m.
Boston (Rodriguez 5-5) at Tampa Bay (Odorizzi 8-8), 12:10 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Covey 0-5) at Detroit (Boyd 5-10), 12:10 p.m.
Kansas City (Duffy 8-8) at Cleveland (Kluber 16-4), 12:10 p.m.
Oakland (Manaea 10-10) at Philadelphia (Alvarez 0-0), 12:35 p.m.
Seattle (Moore 1-3) at Houston (Verlander 12-8), 1:10 p.m.
Toronto (Biagini 3-10) at Minnesota (Gibson 10-10), 1:10 p.m.
Texas (Gonzalez 7-11) at L.A. Angels (Richards 0-1), 2:37 p.m.

National League
Saturday's Scores

L.A. Dodgers 3, Washington 2
Chicago Cubs 4, St. Louis 1
Cincinnati 2, Pittsburgh 1
Miami 7, Milwaukee 4
N.Y.Mets 7, Atlanta 3
Colorado 16, San Diego 0
Oakland at Philadelphia, late
Arizona at San Francisco, late

Today's Games

Pittsburgh (Cole 11-10) at Cincinnati (Stephenson 4-6), 12:10 p.m.
N.Y.Mets (Gsellman 6-7) at Atlanta (Teheran 11-11), 12:35 p.m.
Oakland (Manaea 10-10) at Philadelphia (Alvarez 0-0), 12:35 p.m.
Milwaukee (Woodruff 1-2) vs. Miami (Peters 0-1) at Milwaukee, Wis., 1:10 p.m.
St. Louis (Lyon 11-7) at Chicago Cubs (Quintana 10-11), 1:20 p.m.
San Diego (Chacin 12-10) at Colorado (Gray 8-4), 2:10 p.m.
Arizona (Walker 9-7) at San Francisco (Stratton 2-3), 3:05 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Ryu 5-7) at Washington (Strasburg 13-4), 7:08 p.m.

Texas box

ASTROS 8, MARINERS 6

Seattle	ab	r	h	bi	Houston	ab	r	h	bi
Segura ss	5	2	2	1	Springer cf	5	1	2	2
Haniger rf	4	2	2	1	Reddick rf	4	0	2	2
Cano 2b	5	1	1	2	Altuve 2b	4	2	2	0
Cruz dh	4	0	1	1	Correa ss	4	1	1	0
K.Seger 3b	4	0	1	1	Beltran dh	4	1	3	2
Ramirez 1b	1	0	0	0	TKemp ph-dh	0	0	0	0
Alonso ph-1b	1	0	0	0	Bregman 3b	3	1	0	0
Zunino ph-c	1	0	0	0	B.McCann c	4	0	0	0
Heredia cf	3	0	0	0	Y.Gurriel 1b	4	0	0	0
Gamel ph-lf	1	0	0	0	Fisher lf	4	2	2	1
C.Ruiz c	3	0	1	0					
Vogtsch 1b	0	0	0	0					
Motter lf	3	0	0	0					
Hmnmann ph-cf	2	1	1	0					
Totals	36	6	10	6	Totals	36	8	12	7

Seattle ..... 000 001 041—6
Houston ..... 300 020 11x—8

E_Neuchel (5), Segura (17). DP_Seattle 1, Houston 1. LOB_Seattle 6, Houston 7. 2B_Springer (27), Reddick (32), Beltran (35), Fisher 2 (4). HR_Segura (11), Haniger (13).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Ramirez L,5-6	4	8	6	6	3	5
Simmons	1	0	0	0	0	0
Miranda	1	0	0	0	0	0
Vincent	1	2	1	1	0	0
Garton	1	2	1	1	0	0
Houston						
Keuchel W,13-4	6	4	1	1	2	4
Gregerson	1	0	0	0	0	0
Harris	1	0	0	0	0	0
Sipp	0	1	0	0	0	0
Musgrove S,1-3	2	1	1	1	0	3

E_Ramirez (1). Pitched to 1 batter in the 5th. Harris pitched to 5 batters in the 8th. Sipp pitched to 1 batter in the 8th. T_3:21. A_33,650 (42,060).

SATURDAY'S LATE BOX
ANGELS 7, RANGERS 6

Texas	ab	r	h	bi	Los Angeles	ab	r	h	bi
DShields cf	4	2	2	0	Bra.Ph 2b	4	1	2	0
Choo rf	3	1	2	2	Cowart 2b-3b	3	0	0	0
Andrus ss	3	0	0	1	Trout cf	4	1	1	0
Beltre dh	3	0	0	1	Upton lf	3	2	2	1
Mazara lf	3	0	0	0	Pujols dh	3	0	1	0
O.Rbrsn lf	1	0	0	0	K.Chun rf	3	2	1	1
Gallo 1b	4	1	1	0	A.Smmns ss	4	1	2	2
Middlbrk 3b	3	1	2	2	Wlkns 3b	4	0	1	1
W.Chrun ph	1	0	0	0	Prnngtn pr-2b	0	0	0	0
Odor 2b	4	0	0	0	Cron 1b	4	1	1	2
Nicholas c	3	1	2	2	Mldnado c	3	0	0	0
Totals	32	6	8	6	Totals	31	7	9	7

Texas ..... 000 022 002—6
Los Angeles ..... 000 205 00x—7

DP_Texas 1. LOB_Texas 2, Los Angeles 4. 2B_Middlebrooks (1), Upton 2 (42), K.Calhoun (22). HR_Choo (18), Cron (15), Trout (21), SF_Andrus (3), Beltre (8), Valbuena (4).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Martinez	5	1-3	6	4	4	1
Mendez L,0-1		0	0	1	1	0
Rodriguez BS,2	2-3	2	1	1	0	1
Leclerc		1	0	0	1	2
Claudio		1	1	0	0	1
Los Angeles						
Norris		2	1	0	0	1
Alvarez		1-3	3	0	0	0
Wood		2-3	2	0	0	1
Chavez		1	5	4	4	0
Petit W,5-0		2	0	0	0	2
Bedrosian		1	0	0	0	2
Parker S,6-8		2	0	0	0	3

B.Norris pitched to 1 batter in the 3rd. Chavez pitched to 2 batters in the 6th. Mendez pitched to 1 batter in the 8th. Bedrosian pitched to 3 batters in the 8th. T_3:20. A_41,499 (43,250).

Linescores

AMERICAN LEAGUE
INDIANS 8, ROYALS 4

Kansas City ..... 000 010 003—4 9 1
Cleveland ..... 012 004 10x—8 13 0

Hammel, McCarthy (7), Morin (8) and Butera; Carrasco, Miller (7), McAllister (8), Goody (9) and Gomes. W_Carrasco 16-8. L_Hammel 8-12. HRs_Kansas City, Gordon. Cleveland, Encarnacion.

YANKEES 9, ORIOLES 3

Baltimore ..... 000 000 003—3 6 0
New York ..... 003 210 03x—9 10 1

Hellickson, Tillman (4), Hart (7), Rodriguez (8) and Castillo, Sisco; Montgomery, Kahnle (7), Heller (8), Shreve (9), Gallegos (9) and Romine, Kratz. W_Montgomery 8-7. L_Hellickson 5-10. HRs_Baltimore, Hays. New York, Bird, Gregorius, Frazier.

RED SOX 3, RAYS 1

Boston ..... 010 000 02—3 7 2
Tampa Bay ..... 000 000 01—1 5 0

Porcello, A.Read (8), Smith (9) and Vazquez; Cobb, Jennings (6), Faria (7) and Ramos. W_Porcello 10-17. L_Cobb 11-10. Sv_Kimbrel (33). HRs_Boston, Betts.

WHITE SOX 10, TIGERS 4

Chicago ..... 240 110 20x—10 17 0
Detroit ..... 000 100 000— 4 9 1

Lopez, Volstad (8) and Narvaez; Jaye, B.Hardy (2), Norris (6), Reininger (9) and J.McCann. W_Lopez 2-3. L_Jaye 1-2. HRs_Chicago, Delmonico, Davidson.

BLUE JAYS 7, TWINS 2

Toronto ..... 100 200 31—7 11 0
Minnesota ..... 000 010 01—2 4 1

Estrada, Dermody (9) and Martin; Mejia, Gee (4), Busenitz (6), Hildenberger (8), Tonkin (8), Moya (9) and J.Castro. W_Estrada 9-8. L_Mejia 4-6. HRs_Toronto, Donaldson 2. Minnesota, Escobar, Rosario.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
DODGERS 3, NATIONALS 2

Los Angeles ..... 011 000 001—3 7 1
Washington ..... 000 100 010—2 4 0

Hill, Floro (6), Morrow (7), Stripling (8), Watson (8), Jansen (9) and Barnes; Cole, Perez (6), Grace (7), Albers (8), Madson (9) and Severino, Lobaton. W_Hill 10-6. L_Cole 2-5. Sv_Jansen (38). HRs_Los Angeles, Bellinger. Washington, Rendon.

REDS 2, PIRATES 1

Pittsburgh ..... 000 000 01—1 6 0
Cincinnati ..... 000 000 20—2 4 0

Nova, Runzler (7), Neverauskas (8) and E.Diaz; Romano, Blackwood (9), Reed (9) and Barnhart. W_Romano 5-6. L_Nova 11-14. Sv_Reed (1). HRs_Pittsburgh, McCutchen. Cincinnati, Winker.

CUBS 4, CARDINALS 1

St. Louis ..... 000 000 010—1 5 0
Chicago ..... 000 210 01x—4 10 0

Wacha, Brebbia (6), Sherriff (7), Lyons (8) and Molina; Hendricks, Edwards (8), Davis (9) and Contreras. Rivera, W_Hendricks 7-5. L_Wacha 12-8. Sv_Davis (30). HRs_St. Louis, Carpenter. Chicago, Russell.

METS 7, BRAVES 3

New York ..... 022 100 200—7 11 0
Atlanta ..... 000 201 000—3 9 0

deGrom, Familia (8), A.Ramos (9) and d'Arnaud; Dickey, Sims (6), Motte (8), Fried (9) and Suzuki. W_deGrom 15-9. L_Dickey 9-10. HRs_Atlanta, Freeman.

MARLINS 7, BREWERS 4

Milwaukee ..... 000 000 004—4 8 0
Miami ..... 402 000 10x—7 12 0

Davies, Torres (5), Hughes (6), Drake (6), Garza (7) and Pina; Wong, Conley, Tazawa (8), Barrington (7), Stackenwalter (8), Borucki(9) (9) and Realmuto. W_Conley 7-7. L_Davies 17-9. HRs_Milwaukee, Braun, Shaw. Miami, Dietrich.

ROCKIES 16, PADRES 0

San Diego ..... 000 000 000—0 3 0
Colorado ..... 005 003 08x—16 17 0

Lyles, Valdes (5), M.Diaz (6), Mazzoni (6), Maton (8) and Hedges. Tomlin, Tumbull (5), Pestland (7), Hoffman (9) and Lucroy. Wolters, T.Murphy. W_Ty.Anderson 5-6. L_Lyles 1-3. HRs_Colorado, Valaika, Gonzalez, Blackmon.

MLB ROUNDUP

American League

INDIANS 8, ROYALS 4

CLEVELAND — Francisco Lindor hit an RBI double and the Cleveland Indians bounced back after having their record streak stopped at 22 by beating the Kansas City Royals 8-4 on Saturday to move to the brink of an AL Central title.

Lindor's double in the sixth off Jason Hammel (8-12) gave the All-Star shortstop an extra-base hit in a club-record 10 straight games. The major league record is 14 straight, shared by Chipper Jones (2006) and Paul Waner (1927).

Carlos Carrasco (16-6) pitched into the seventh as the Indians improved to 32-5 in their last 37 games.

With the win, the Indians clinched at least a tie for the division and dropped their magic number for repeating as champs to one. If Minnesota loses later at home against Toronto, Cleveland will clinch and take the next step in getting back to the World Series.

A victory by the Twins would mean the Indians could lock up the division on Sunday, when ace and Cy Young co-favorite Corey Kluber starts the finale of the season's longest homestand at Progressive Field.

YANKEES 9, ORIOLES 3

NEW YORK — Didi Gregorius and Greg Bird both homered for the second straight game, rookie Jordan Montgomery pitched six shutout innings and the New York Yankees downed the Baltimore Orioles 9-3 Saturday for their fourth win in a row.

The Yankees (82-66) extended their stretch of winning seasons to 25, the second-longest such streak in major league history behind their own 39 straight from 1926-64.

The Yankees began the day three games behind AL East-leading Boston. New York was atop the wild-card race, four games ahead of Minnesota.

Gregorius and Bird each hit three-run homers and Todd Frazier added a two-run shot as the Yankees won for the seventh time in eight games. They are a season-high 16 games over .500.

Baltimore has lost nine of 10 as it continues to fall out of playoff contention.

Montgomery (8-7) scattered four hits in his fifth start against the Orioles this year. The rookie left-hander struck out six and walked one.

Jeremy Hellickson (8-10) took the loss.

RED SOX 3, RAYS 1

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Rick Porcello took a shutout into the eighth inning, Mookie Betts hit his 22nd home run and the Boston Red Sox beat the Tampa Bay Rays 3-1 on Saturday night.

The win reduced Boston's magic number for clinching a playoff spot to six and kept its AL East lead over the New York Yankees at three games. It was the eighth win in 10 games for the Red Sox.

Porcello (10-17) gave up one unearned run in 7 1/3 innings, allowing five hits and a walk to win for the sixth time in nine starts.

Craig Kimbrel pitched the ninth for his 33rd save.

Alex Cobb (11-10) gave up three runs on six hits in 5 1/3 innings.

WHITE SOX 10, TIGERS 4

DETROIT — Matt Davidson and Nicky Delmonico homered, Tim Anderson had four hits and the Chicago White Sox beat Detroit 10-4 on Saturday night, winning the season series with the Tigers for the first time since 2008.

The White Sox have won 10 of 18 against Detroit this year. The teams have one meeting remaining Sunday.

Delmonico hit a two-run shot to open in the scoring in the first, and Chicago jumped to an early 6-0 lead, chasing starter Myles Jaye (1-2) in the second. Davidson hit a solo shot in the fifth.

Reynaldo Lopez (2-3) allowed four runs and seven hits in seven innings.

Detroit's Miguel Cabrera left at the start of the fifth with back tightness.

BLUE JAYS 7, TWINS 2

MINNEAPOLIS — Marco Estrada pitched eight efficient innings, Josh Donaldson homered twice among his four hits and the Toronto Blue Jays beat the Minnesota Twins 7-2 on Saturday night.

Minnesota's loss clinched the AL Central for the Cleveland Indians and gave teams a chance to gain on the Twins for the final AL wild card. Minnesota entered the day two games ahead of the Angels.

Estrada (9-8) allowed two solo homers and extended his string of allowing three earned runs or fewer to nine of his last 11 outings.

Jose Bautista ended his 0-for-17 skid with three hits and an RBI for Toronto.

Donaldson gave the Blue Jays an early lead in the first by sending a first-pitch shot off Adalberto Mejia (4-6) into the second deck in left-center.

National League

DODGERS 3, NATIONALS 2

WASHINGTON — Cody Bellinger hit his 38th homer to match the National League single-season record for rookies, and the Los Angeles Dodgers beat the Washington Nationals 3-2 Saturday to inch closer to the NL West title.

Chase Utley had two doubles and scored twice to help the Dodgers reduce their magic number to win the division to five. Los Angeles also moved seven games ahead of the Nationals in the race to secure home-field advantage throughout the NL playoffs.

Los Angeles has won four straight since dropping 11 in a row. The winning streak includes the first two games of this series, which concludes Sunday.

Anthony Rendon homered for the Nationals, who have lost four of five since clinching the NL East last Sunday.

REDS 2, PIRATES 1

CINCINNATI — Sal Romano pitched a career-high eight shutout innings. Jesse Winker homered and the Cincinnati Reds beat the reeling Pittsburgh Pirates 2-1 on Saturday.

Romano (5-6) allowed five hits, struck out six and walked none while improving to 3-1 over his last six starts. Elias Diaz's one-out double in the fifth was the only runner to get past first base against the rookie right-hander.

Pittsburgh avoided a shutout when Andrew McCutchen hit his 26th homer in the ninth. But Cody Reed came in with a runner on first and retired Gregory Polanco on a grounder to second for his first career save.

The Pirates have dropped four straight and nine of 10.

CUBS 4, CARDINALS 1

CHICAGO — Kyle Hendricks pitched effectively into the eighth inning, Addison Russell homered and the Chicago Cubs beat the St. Louis Cardinals 4-1 on Saturday to increase their NL Central lead.

Chicago has won five straight and leads Milwaukee by 3 1/2 games and St. Louis by five in the division.

Albert Almora Jr. had three hits and two RBIs for the Cubs.

Russell was activated before the game after being sidelined since early August with plantar fasciitis of the right foot. He pinch hit in the eighth and hit a solo shot against Tyler Lyons to the back of the left-field bleachers.

Hendricks (7-5) allowed one run and five hits in a season-high 7 2/3 innings. He struck out five and walked one.

METS 7, BRAVES 3

ATLANTA — Jacob deGrom set a career high in wins, Dominic Smith and Gavin Cecchini each drove in two runs and the New York Mets snapped a five-game skid with a 7-3 victory over the Atlanta Braves on Saturday night.

DeGrom (15-9) allowed five hits, one run and two walks in seven innings. He struck out seven while topping his personal mark of 14 victories in 2015.

The Mets had lost eight straight on the road and had just four wins in their last 18 games away from Citi Field but they led 5-0 by the fourth inning.

Cecchini and Juan Lagares had RBI singles in the second. Brandon Nimmo and Asdrubal Cabrera had RBI doubles in the third and Cecchini doubled again in the fourth.

ROCKIES 16, PADRES 0

DENVER — Tyler Anderson pitched six innings in his first start since returning from left knee surgery, Charlie Blackmon set an NL season record for RBIs by a leadoff man, and the Colorado Rockies beat the San Diego Padres 16-0 on Saturday night in a game marred by a near brawl.

Blackmon homered and doubled to drive in four runs, pushing his season RBI total from the leadoff position to 92 and surpassing Craig Biggio, who had 88 in 1998.

Pat Valaika had a pinch-hit grand slam during a six-run seventh and Carlos Gonzalez also homered for the Rockies, who stretched their lead for the second NL Wild Card berth to 3 1/2 games over Milwaukee, which lost to Miami 7-4 earlier Saturday. Colorado has won eight of its last 10 games and extended its winning streak against San Diego to seven.

The Padres lost their fifth straight overall, matching a season high.

MARLINS 7, BREWERS 4

MILWAUKEE — Derek Dietrich hit a two-run homer, Adam Conley pitched into the sixth inning and the Miami Marlins beat the Milwaukee Brewers 7-4 on Saturday night to stop a six-game slide.

Conley (7-7) allowed three runs and five hits in 5 2/3 innings in the second game of a series relocated from Miami to Milwaukee because of the aftermath of Hurricane Irma. It was Conley's first win since Aug. 20 against the New York Mets, a span of four starts.

Junichi Tazawa, Brian Ellington and Drew Steckenrider combined for 2 1/3 scoreless innings in relief before Kyle Barraclough got into trouble in the ninth. Ryan Braun doubled in Domingo Santana, but Travis Shaw flied out to end the game.

LATE HS FOOTBALL BOXES

ANDREWS AT LEVELLAND

Andrews	7	10	13	14	–47
Levelland	10	0	7	14	–31

First Quarter
Levelland – 31 FG
Levelland – 3 run (kick good)
Andrews – Britin Garcia 2 run (Jaiden Brown kick)

Andrews – Brown 37 FG

Second Quarter
Andrews – Garcia 31 run (Brown kick)

Third Quarter
Andrews – Casey Buck 40 run (Brown kick)
Levelland – 60 run (kick good)
Andrews – Brown 9 pass from Garica (Brown kick)

Fourth Quarter
Levelland – 1 run (kick good)
Andrews – Noah Lujan 30 pass from Jace Kessler (Brown kick)
Andrews – Safety
Andrews – Garcia 1 run (Brown kick)
Levelland – Pass (kick good)

	Andrews	Levelland
First Downs	28	17
Rushes-Yards	34-247	29-132
Passing Yards	220	236
Comp.-Att.-Int.	21-31-3	12-20-2
Punts-avg.	3-37	1-30
Fumbles-lost	1-1	1-1
Penalties-yards	9-75	8-38

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING – Andrews, Casey Buck 12-171, Britin Garcia 10-66, Jace Kessler 11-50
PASSING – Andrews, Kessler 21-31-3–220.
RECEIVING – Andrews, Garcia 6-68, Noah Lujan 4-42, A.Rodriguez 3-34, Buck 3-33, V.Prieto 2-16, Beau Harrell 2-16, M. Bustamante 1-11

REAGAN COUNTY 42, COAHOMA 35

Reagan County	0	6	22	14	–42
Coahoma	8	12	11	12	–35

Second quarter
Coahoma – Adam Clark 10 pass from Mason Moore (kick failed), 10:03
Coahoma – Zach Schneider 4 run (run failed), 2:43
RC – Alex Chavez 80 run (run failed), 1:48
Third quarter
Coahoma – Gage Clark 99 pass from Mason Moore (pass good), 11:49
RC – Kaleb Morris 6 pass from Chavez (pass good), 11:21
RC – Cahel Lafferty 3 run (pass failed), 8:24
Coahoma – Moore FG 30, 1:20
RC – Chavez 75 run (pass good)
Fourth Quarter
Coahoma – Adam Clark 61 pass from Moore (pass failed), 11:40
RC – Samuel Goodloe 4 run (run good), 6:02
Coahoma – Moore 6 run (run failed), 3:32
RC – Chavez 56 run (pass failed), 1:40

	Reagan County	Coahoma
First Downs	13	19
Rushes-Yards	36-242	44-122
Passing Yards	164	255
Comp.-Att.-Int.	9-14-1	15-25-1
Punts-avg.	2-12	2-27
Fumbles-lost	3-1	2-1
Penalties-yards	6-65	4-45

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING – Coahoma, Zach Schneider 23-105, Joe Escobedo 15-54, Mason Moore 4-27, Braxton Chandler 2-6
PASSING – Coahoma, 13-23-3–239; Chandler 1-1-0–8; Schneider 1-1-0–7.
RECEIVING – Coahoma, Adam Clark 7-121, Gage Clark 4-104, Chandler 3-21, Aleks Duanes 1-9

PRO GOLF SCORES

PGA

BMW Championship Scores
Saturday
At Conway Farms Golf Club
Lake Forest, Ill.
Purse: $8.75 million
Yardage: 7,266; Par: 71
Third Round

Marc Leishman	62-64-68—194
Rickie Fowler	65-64-70—199
Jason Day	64-65-70—199
Justin Rose	67-68-66—201
Jon Rahm	69-68-65—202
Scott Brown	69-66-67—202
Ryan Moore	68-66-67—202
Charley Hoffman	64-71-67—202
Chez Reavie	68-67-67—202
Matt Kuchar	67-68-67—202
Patrick Cantlay	67-65-70—202
Lucas Glover	68-70-65—203
Cameron Smith	66-68-69—203
Stewart Cink	67-66-70—203
Webb Simpson	66-73-65—204
Pat Perez	70-67-67—204
Sergio Garcia	68-68-68—204
Phil Mickelson	66-69-69—204
Mackenzie Hughes	67-68-69—204
Sean O'Hair	70-69-66—205
Luke List	68-70-67—205
Keegan Bradley	65-72-68—205
James Hahn	68-68-69—205
Daniel Berger	68-68-69—205
Jamie Lovemark	64-70-71—205
Francesco Molinari	68-65-72—205
Anirban Lahiri	67-71-68—206
Rafa Cabrera Bello	65-71-70—206
Bud Cauley	69-66-71—206
Kevin Chappell	69-67-70—206
Jordan Spieth	65-70-71—206
Brendan Steele	68-66-72—206
Gary Woodland	67-67-72—206
Xander Schauffele	72-70-65—207
Henrik Stenson	72-68-67—207
Bryson DeChambeau	68-70-69—207
Russell Henley	66-71-70—207
Tony Finau	65-72-70—207
Paul Casey	69-67-71—207
Hudson Swafford	68-66-73—207
Charl Schwartzel	69-73-66—208
Brian Harman	69-69-70—208
Ian Poulter	69-69-70—208
Justin Thomas	67-70-71—208
Ollie Schniederjans	73-70-66—209
Kevin Tway	73-70-66—209
Sung Kang	73-68-68—209
Kyle Stanley	70-68-71—209
Brooks Koepka	71-70-69—210
Hideki Matsuyama	72-68-70—210
Zach Johnson	67-71-72—210
Rory McIlroy	72-69-70—211
Bill Haas	71-69-71—211
Robert Streb	67-69-75—211
Dustin Johnson	71-72-69—212
Adam Hadwin	71-71-70—212
Grayson Murray	71-70-71—212
Martin Laird	73-69-70—212
Jason Dufner	74-66-72—212
Charles Howell III	68-76-69—213
Billy Horschel	68-74-71—213
Jhonattan Vegas	71-68-74—213
Emiliano Grillo	70-73-72—214
Patrick Reed	72-72-71—215
Si Woo Kim	72-71-72—215
Louis Oosthuizen	77-74-66—217
Kevin Kisner	71-71-75—217
Kevin Na	73-73-72—218
Wesley Bryan	76-71-72—219

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Saturday
At Evian Resort Golf Club
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Second Round

Moriya Jutanugarn	65-68—133	-9
Ayako Uehara	68-66—134	-8
Katherine Kirk	66-68—135	-7
Lydia Ko	68-68—136	-6
In-Kyung Kim	67-69—136	-6
Sung Hyun Park	63-73—136	-6
Jennifer Song	72-65—137	-5
Angela Stanford	69-68—137	-5
Shanshan Feng	69-68—137	-5
Georgia Hall	68-69—137	-5
Brittany Altomare	70-68—138	-4
Sei Young Kim	70-68—138	-4
Mi Jung Hur	68-70—138	-4
Anna Nordqvist	66-72—138	-4
Ally McDonald	71-68—139	-3
Su Oh	71-68—139	-3
Bronte Law	70-69—139	-3
Sandra Gal	70-69—139	-3
Minjee Lee	69-70—139	-3
Nicole Broch Larsen	69-70—139	-3
Marina Alex	67-72—139	-3
Morgan Pressel	71-69—140	-2
Jenny Shin	70-70—140	-2
In Gee Chun	70-70—140	-2
Joanna Klatten	69-71—140	-2
Juli Inkster	69-71—140	-2
Sarah Jane Smith	73-68—141	-1
Do Yeon Kim	71-70—141	-1
Danielle Kang	71-70—141	-1
Katie Burnett	71-70—141	-1
Mi Hyang Lee	69-72—141	-1
Hye Jin Choi	69-72—141	-1
Ai Miyazato	68-73—141	-1
a-Sophia Schubert	68-73—141	-1
Megan Khang	75-67—142	E
Mariah Stackhouse	73-69—142	E
Caroline Masson	73-69—142	E
Mo Martin	73-69—142	E
Gaby Lopez	72-70—142	E
Wei-Ling Hsu	71-71—142	E
Lexi Thompson	70-72—142	E
Peiyun Chien	69-73—142	E
Cristie Kerr	69-73—142	E
Haru Nomura	69-73—142	E
Austin Ernst	68-74—142	E
Pornanong Phatlum	76-67—143	+1
Brittany Lincicome	74-69—143	+1
Azahara Munoz	74-69—143	+1
Karine Icher	72-71—143	+1
Gerina Piller	71-72—143	+1
Tiffany Joh	71-72—143	+1
Caroline Hedwall	71-72—143	+1
Hyo Joo Kim	70-73—143	+1
Mel Reid	70-73—143	+1
Candie Kung	70-73—143	+1
Suzann Pettersen	69-74—143	+1
Kelly W Shon	69-74—143	+1
Ryann O'Toole	68-75—143	+1
Jing Yan	75-69—144	+2
Charley Hull	75-69—144	+2
So Yeon Ryu	75-69—144	+2
Eun-Hee Ji	74-70—144	+2
Carlota Ciganda	73-71—144	+2
Lee-Anne Pace	77-68—145	+3
a-Athaya Thitikul	76-69—145	+3
Jeong Eun Lee	76-69—145	+3
Brooke M. Henderson	74-71—145	+3
Sun Young Yoo	74-71—145	+3
Amy Olson	73-72—145	+3
Amy Yang	72-73—145	+3
Chella Choi	72-73—145	+3
Olafia Kristinsdottir	71-74—145	+3
Missed cut		
Nelly Korda	76-70—146	+4
Amelia Lewis	75-71—146	+4
Marion Ricordeau	74-72—146	+4
Madelene Sagstrom	74-72—146	+4
Natalie Gulbis	73-73—146	+4
Jessica Korda	67-79—146	+4
Brittany Marchand	78-69—147	+5
Beth Allen	78-69—147	+5
Brittany Lang	75-72—147	+5
Christina Kim	74-73—147	+5
Alison Lee	74-73—147	+5
Karrie Webb	74-73—147	+5
Porntanna Parker	72-75—147	+5
Jacqui Concolino	72-75—147	+5
Laura Davies	69-78—147	+5
Lindy Duncan	76-72—148	+6
Marlesa L Steen	75-73—148	+6
Wichanee Meechai	75-73—148	+6
Jane Park	74-74—148	+6
Klara Spilkova	73-75—148	+6
Thidapa Suwannapura	73-75—148	+6
Mirim Lee	72-76—148	+6
Sinah Yang	72-76—148	+6
Supamas Sangchan	71-77—148	+6
Cydney Clanton	78-71—149	+7
Kim Kaufman	78-71—149	+7
Isabelle Boineau	77-72—149	+7
Beatriz Recari	77-72—149	+7
Sherman Santiwiwatthanaphong	76-73—149	+7
Angel Yin	76-73—149	+7
a-Albane Valenzuela	75-74—149	+7
Aditi Ashok	72-77—149	+7
Jodi Ewart Shadoff	72-77—149	+7
Emily K. Pedersen	71-78—149	+7
Catriona Matthew	78-72—150	+8
Yani Tseng	76-74—150	+8
Jaye Marie Green	76-74—150	+8
Mariajo Uribe	72-78—150	+8
Ariya Jutanugarn	77-74—151	+9
a-Agatha Laine	76-75—151	+9
Perrine Delacour	76-75—151	+9
Mina Harigae	77-75—152	+10
Laura Gonzalez Escallon	75-77—152	+10
Johanna Gustavsson	74-78—152	+10
Pernilla Lindberg	82-71—153	+11

LEE

From 1C

Barfield by junior defensive back Logan Acosta — his first varsity pick.

By and large, the Rebels did a respectable job against Barfield, who struggled to get anything consistent going in the passing game and often had to dance out of trouble caused by Lee pressure in the backfield.

The victory may have offered a welcome warm-and-fuzzy feeling to many Lee faithful recently unaccustomed to an undefeated start to a season.

But let's examine this game honestly.

One alarming concern stood out Friday: The Aztecs scored the final 20 points of the night, including 14 unanswered in the fourth quarter. What seemed like a cozy 48-14 Rebel lead after the third quarter felt strikingly uneasy by the final whistle.

It left a bitter taste in the mouths of the Lee coaching staff and players, who helped turn a blowout win into a one that appeared contested.

After the game, head coach Clint Hartman spent several minutes addressing his team's collective effort in the second half. Even in what was a 34-point game after 36 minutes of play, he said it needed to be much better.

I thought the Rebels managed the game poorly, especially in the final quarter and gave the Aztecs too many chances on offense late in the game. Anytime a special athlete of Barfield's caliber has the ball in his hands, six points in a hurry is never out of the question.

Of course, the Rebels came away with the win and generally speaking, that's all that matters: Get the result you want, move on and prepare for the next week's in whatever way necessary.

Even though Lee is a much improved team from a year ago, now is the best time to collect valuable experience closing games and finishing off opponents. They did it masterfully against El Paso Coronado and against Abilene.

But the Aztecs, who also fielded a noticeably weaker offense than they did a season ago, made things a little too close for comfort when all was said and done.

Now, as the Rebels prepare to head to Lubbock for a Thursday night affair with Lubbock Monterey, quality effort throughout and pristine game management should be an emphasis during practice and during film breakdown.

Against District 2-6A competition, the Rebels can't afford such mismanagement in the waning stages of games. There is also little time to learn on the fly, as beginning Sept. 29, every game means the world.

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MHS

From 1C

line of Oscar Villanueva, Juan Vasquez, Josh Ramos, Jacob Ramos, Fidel Lopez and Levi Brooks held their own against them.

The Bulldogs grinded out 141 rushing yards, and junior running back Tim Gates led the charge with 87 yards on 20 attempts.

The most amazing part of the rushing success is that MHS had virtually no passing game for three quarters going up against an Eagles secondary that boasts at least three Division I FBS commits that includes Byron Hanspard Jr. (Arkansas), German Green (Michigan) and Gemon Green (Michigan). DeSoto's pass defense is literally high school football's "no-fly zone" for the lack of a better cliché.

Even though they were one-dimensional and predictable at times, the Bulldogs' offensive line was still able to create some daylight for Gates, quarterback Suddin Sapien and running back DQ Harris.

I thought the most telling drive occurred in the third quarter when MHS started on its own 32-yard line following a DeSoto turnover on downs, and used a ground-and-pound approach to move the ball, utilizing 14 of 17 rush plays, to reach the 1-yard line.

Gates rushed for 28 yards on the drive, while Sapien chipped in with 24 yards before it destructed with a fumbled exchange on the snap on the 1-yard line.

Sapien, by the way, looks like a natural runner in the Bulldogs' read-option scheme, and he serves as another weapon to complement Gates, who has done most of the heavy lifting with 360 rushing yards through three games.

But what's evident to me is the running game is far and away the Bulldogs' identity through three games and it's the phase of football that gives them the best chance to win in District 2-6A.

It should be of little surprise because MHS head coach Tim Anuszkiewicz, as far back as spring football, hinted the team could be more run-oriented this season.

It's also a reminder how high school football coaches adapt to the talent and the experience that they have on hand.

Last year, the Bulldogs leaned toward their air attack, as quarterback Jackson Anuszkiewicz, Tim's son, rewrote the school record book with several passing benchmarks, which included 3,066 passing yards. Anuszkiewicz had a loaded receiving corps that included two current FBS players with McLane Mannix (Nevada) and Juleion Bowers (UTEP).

This is not to say MHS should neglect the passing game, as Sapien and Riggs McDonald both have the skills to be quarterbacks that throw the ball around with high volume. Pass and run balance is a good thing in football.

In the coming weeks though, don't be surprised if the Bulldogs tailor their game plans around their run offense because it was far and away their best facet against a mighty DeSoto team.

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TCU running back Darius Anderson (5) goes into the end zone for a touchdown against SMU linebacker Jordon Williams (17) during the second half of an NCAA college football game Saturday in Fort Worth. TCU won 56-36. *LM Otero/ Associated Press*

No. 20 TCU rallies for 56-36 win over SMU

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

FORT WORTH — Jalen Reagor made a leaping 38-yard catch between four defenders in the end zone on the last play of the first half, finally putting No. 20 TCU ahead to stay in a 56-36 victory over upset-minded SMU on Saturday.

The Mustangs (2-1) led 19-7 before Kenny Hill threw three TD passes in the final 7 1/2 minutes of the second quarter.

The last was Reagor's catch in a crowd of Mustangs who seemed more like observers than defenders.

"It made a huge difference, just give us a little something going into halftime, kind of deflated them a little bit," Hill said. "That's the first time I've been in a game that I've ever seen a Hail Mary completed. ... Just kind of throwing it up to him, let him go make a play."

Darius Anderson ran for two touchdowns for TCU (3-0) in the second half, including the first drive after halftime.

Speedy running back Kenedy Snell also scored twice, while Hill completed 24 of 30 passes for 365 yards and four touchdowns.

Snell had a 10-yard TD run and later turned a short pass into a 71-yard sprint to the end zone. That long score put TCU up 21-19 with 2:40 left in the first half.

Snell and Reagor are both true freshmen from Waxahachie less than an hour from the TCU campus.

"Obviously we put it in so (Reagor) could jump there. We already knew he could do it," Patterson said when talking about the two newcomers. "We've been chasing Snell all through two-a-days."

Josh Williams kicked his third field goal for SMU after Snell's big play, but TCU still had time.

Taking over at its 44 with 10 seconds left after the kickoff, Snell had an 18-yard run before a timeout to set up the final play.

SMU was trying to start 3-0 for the first time since 1984. That was before the Mustangs were shut down in 1987 and 1988 by crippling sanctions and the NCAA's so-called death penalty.

"There's no doubt that our football team has gotten better and continues to get better over our third time playing them," coach Chad Morris said. "But when you play an opponent such as TCU and what they've built here, it comes down to four or five plays. We did some really, really good things today, but we did some things that were costly."

Ben Hicks threw for 305 yards and two touchdowns for SMU with two interceptions, one returned 19 yards for a touchdown by linebacker Travin Howard.

Trey Quinn, an LSU transfer, had seven catches for 116 yards with a 58-yard TD that put the Mustangs ahead only 2 1/2 minutes into the game.

Poll implications

While the Horned Frogs won going away, they were big favorites going into the game and there likely will be little room for them to move up much in the next poll — if at all.

The takeaway

SMU: In their third season under coach Chad Morris, SMU showed it has more offensive weapons than only standout WR Courtland Sutton. It was a big improvement overall, considering the Mustangs lost 33-3 at home to TCU last season.

TCU: The Frogs' defense gave up 463 total yards and some big plays even while holding Sutton to one catch for zero yards.

That will be a concern for coach Gary Patterson going into Big 12 play. But there is plenty of experience on that defensive unit, so the players will know how to respond. There were also the three lost fumbles by the offense.

Up next

SMU: After its only non-conference road game, the Mustangs return home to play Arkansas State in their last game before AAC play.

TCU: The Horned Frogs open their Big 12 schedule at No. 9 Oklahoma State (3-0) next Saturday.

UTPB falls to West Texas A&M

From staff reports

CANYON — In a defensive battle, West Texas A&M rode a pair of rushing touchdowns to hold off UT Permian Basin, 17-6, in both teams' Lone Star Conference opener, Saturday at Kimbrough Stadium.

Seeking their first-ever conference win in program history, the second-year Falcons (0-3, 0-1 in Lone Star Conference) trailed the Buffaloes (2-1, 1-0) by a 10-6 margin following a 40-yard field goal by Bailey Giffen with 10:47 to play.

But West Texas A&M responded with a 9-play, 75-yard drive that culminated with a 10-yard TD run from Brandon Blair with 5:11 left.

UTPB lost despite outgaining the Buffaloes, 314-222, in total yards.

The Falcons led 3-0 at the end of the first quarter, but couldn't manage a touchdown all game.

West Texas A&M took a 7-3 lead on Jordan Johnson's 4-yard TD run early in the second quarter and never relinquished the lead from that point on.

UTPB quarterback Kameron Mathis completed 16 of 39 passes for 246 yards and two interceptions.

MHS grad Courtney McMaryion had two catches for 92 yards for the Falcons.

Andrews alum Keegan Gray had 10 tackles, three tackles for loss and a fumble caused for UTPB.

UTPB visits conference foe Western New Mexico (0-3, 0-1) at 2:30 p.m. CDT on Sept. 23.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL SCORES

SOUTHWEST
Abilene Christian 24, Houston Baptist 3
Appalachian St. 20, Texas St. 13
Arkansas St. 48, Ark.-Pine Bluff 3
Cent. Arkansas 38, SE Louisiana 6
Houston 38, Rice 3
Oklahoma 56, Tulane 14
Stephen F. Austin 37, Incarnate Word 31
TCU 56, SMU 36
Texas A&M 45, Louisiana-Lafayette 21
UTSA 51, Southern U. 17

SOUTH
Alabama 41, Colorado St. 23
Auburn 24, Mercer 10
Austin Peay 69, Morehead St. 13
Clemson 47, Louisville 21
Dartmouth 38, Stetson 7
Davidson 42, Guilford 21
Duke 34, Baylor 20
Elon 19, Charleston Southern 17
FAU 45, Bethune-Cookman 0
Florida 26, Tennessee 20
Georgia 42, Samford 14
Grambling St. 36, Jackson St. 21
Hampton 59, Livingstone 0
Jacksonville 56, Walsh 31
James Madison 75, Norfolk St. 14
Liberty 42, Indiana St. 41
Louisiana Tech 23, W. Kentucky 22
Marshall 21, Kent St. 0
McNeese St. 34, Alcorn St. 27
Memphis 48, UCLA 45
Mississippi St. 37, LSU 7
NC A&T 35, Charlotte 31
NC State 49, Furman 16
Nicholls 44, Prairie View 13
North Carolina 53, Old Dominion 23
Northwestern St. 35, Lamar 28
Presbyterian 28, Campbell 16
Richmond 68, Howard 21
SC State 41, Johnson C. Smith 0
South Alabama 45, Alabama A&M 0
Southern Miss 28, Louisiana-Monroe 17
Tennessee St. 24, Florida A&M 13
The Citadel 31, ETSU 25
UAB 30, Coastal Carolina 23
UT Martin 21, Chattanooga 7
Vanderbilt 14, Kansas St. 7
Virginia 38, UConn 18
Virginia Tech 64, East Carolina 17
W. Carolina 42, Gardner-Webb 27
William & Mary 30, Bucknell 9

MIDWEST
Ball St. 28, Tennessee Tech 13
Butler 27, Taylor 21
Cincinnati 21, Miami (Ohio) 17
Duquesne 28, Dayton 23
Illinois St. 44, E. Illinois 13
Iowa 31, North Texas 14
Iowa St. 41, Akron 14
Michigan 29, Air Force 13
Minnesota 34, Middle Tennessee 3
Missouri St. 28, Murray St. 21
N. Illinois 21, Nebraska 17
Northwestern 49, Bowling Green 7
Ohio 42, Kansas 30
Ohio St. 38, Army 7
Purdue 35, Missouri 3
S. Dakota St. 51, Drake 10
S. Illinois 35, SE Missouri 17
South Dakota 45, North Dakota 7
Toledo 54, Tulsa 51
Valparaiso 44, Trinity (Ill.) 10
W. Michigan 37, Idaho 28
Youngstown St. 59, CCSU 9

FAR WEST
Colorado 41, N. Colorado 21
Idaho St. 30, Nevada 28
Montana 56, Savannah St. 3
Oregon 49, Wyoming 13
S. Utah 24, N. Iowa 21
Troy 27, New Mexico St. 24
UC Davis 37, Portland St. 14
Washington St. 52, Oregon St. 23
Wisconsin 40, BYU 6

EAST
Albany (NY) 28, Monmouth (NJ) 14
Brown 28, Bryant 23
Buffalo 33, Colgate 10
Columbia 17, Wagner 14
Delaware 41, Cornell 14
E. Washington 56, Fordham 21
Holy Cross 51, New Hampshire 26
Marist 14, Georgetown 12
Notre Dame 49, Boston College 20
Oklahoma St. 59, Pittsburgh 21
Penn 42, Ohio Dominican 24
Penn St. 56, Georgia St. 0
Princeton 27, San Diego 17
Rhode Island 17, Harvard 10
Robert Morris 23, VMI 0
Rutgers 65, Morgan St. 0
Stony Brook 45, Sacred Heart 7
Syracuse 41, Cent. Michigan 17
Towson 16, St. Francis (Pa.) 14
Villanova 59, Lafayette 0
West Virginia 59, Delaware St. 16
Yale 56, Lehigh 28

TEXAS COLLEGE FOOTBALL ROUNDUP

TEXAS A&M 45, LOUISIANA LAFAYETTE 21

COLLEGE STATION — Texas A&M needed a second-half comeback to defeat Louisiana-Lafayette 45-21 on Saturday at Kyle Field.

The Ragin' Cajuns (1-2) led 21-14 at halftime before the Aggies scored 31 consecutive points en route to the victory, one preserving embattled coach Kevin Sumlin's job for at least another week.

"We just talked about that in the locker room, that we were like two different teams," Sumlin said of the Aggies' Jekyll and Hyde showing. "We're a work in progress."

After much of the first half went wrong for A&M, the third quarter went entirely right, as the Aggies (2-1) scored 17 points in that span to grab the lead for good.

"In the second half they made some adjustments, they put a lot of people in the box to stop the run," Cajuns coach Mark Hudspeth said. "They were determined to make us throw the football to win the game, and we just didn't have that offensive rhythm in the second half that we had in the first half."

Freshman Aggies quarterback Kellen Mond, in beginning to live up to his preseason hype as a five-star prospect, collected a five-yard touchdown run and threw a 12-yard touchdown pass to fellow freshman Camron Buckley in the decisive third quarter.

"He's gotten better," Sumlin said of Mond. "He's more comfortable, and he's more assertive."

Sumlin is on the hot seat after the Aggies have lost six consecutive games to Power Five opponents, dating to last season and including A&M blowing a 34-point lead against UCLA in this year's season opener.

The Aggies have responded with two consecutive victories, but also needed to break open a 14-14 tie against Nicholls State last week before prevailing 24-14.

"We still have a lot of work to do this week, we can't be content with what happened today," said A&M safety Armani Watts, who collected two of the Aggies' three interceptions. "We just played with more emotion in the second half. You can't play this game without emotion. We stuck with it and knew our offense would come through."

DUKE 34, BAYLOR 20

DURHAM, N.C. — Shaun Wilson had two long touchdown runs to lead Duke past Baylor 34-20 on Saturday.

Wilson rushed for 176 yards and scored on runs of 50 and 65 yards to help the Blue Devils (3-0) open with three consecutive victories for just the second time since 1994.

Brittain Brown added a 34-yard TD run, Ben Humphreys returned an interception 22 yards for a score — one of four turnovers forced by Duke — and Austin Parker kicked two field goals, including a career-long 45-yarder.

The Bears seemed determined not to let Daniel Jones beat them: Jones was 20 of 35 for 193 yards but was sacked five times and was held without a touchdown for the first time this season.

"They did so many different things we hadn't seen, defensively," Duke coach David Cutcliffe said. "I thought that was difficult for Daniel and just in general, I don't know if I've seen as many people show as many fronts as they showed in one ball game."

Sophomore Zach Smith was 12-of-34 for 263 yards in his first start of the season for Baylor (0-3) with three touchdowns — including two long ones to Chris Platt.

Smith connected with Platt on scores of 73 and 79 yards, after hitting Denzel Mims with a 44-yard score.

But his third interception — the pick-six he threw directly to Humphreys — came at a bad time, with the Bears trailing by three points early in the fourth quarter.

The Bears are off to their worst start since the 1999 team opened with four straight losses on its way to a 1-10 finish in Kevin Steele's first season.

HOUSTON 38, RICE 3

HOUSTON — Kyle Allen threw for two touchdowns as Houston ran up a big first-half lead and held it to beat Rice 38-3 on Saturday night.

Allen threw to Duke Catalon for a 10-yard score and Caden Novikoff kicked a 20-yard field goal for a 10-0 Houston lead with 2:29 to go in the first quarter.

The Cougars (2-0) went on to score on their next four drives, on short-yardage runs by Dillon Burden and Catalon, on a 7-yard Allen pass to John Leday and on a 3-yard run by Mulbah Car. That gave the Cougars a 38-0 lead at the break.

Allen, who finished with 309 yards passing, left the field in the third quarter and was replaced by backup Kyle Postma for the remainder of the game.

Will Harrison scored Rice's only points, a 31-yard field goal with 2:47 left in the game.

Jackson Tyner had 84 yards passing for the Owls (1-2).

NO. 4 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA 27, TEXAS 24

LOS ANGELES — Freshman Chase McGrath kicked a 43-yard field goal in the second overtime after hitting a tying 31-yarder on the final snap of regulation, and No. 4 Southern California rallied for a wild 27-24 victory over Texas on Saturday night.

Sam Darnold passed for 397 yards and three touchdowns to help the Trojans (3-0) surge to their 12th consecutive victory.

Christian Rector forced a goal-line fumble by Texas quarterback Sam Ehlinger in the second overtime before McGrath coolly ended it.

After 55 minutes of defense-dominated football, both offenses erupted late to create a pretty decent sequel to these powerhouse programs' last meeting in the landmark 2006 Rose Bowl.

Ehlinger passed for 298 yards and led a 91-yard, go-ahead TD drive late in regulation for the Longhorns (1-2), who were narrowly denied a huge win early in coach Tom Herman's debut season.

Ehlinger hit Armanti Foreman with a 17-yard touchdown pass with 45 seconds left, but McGrath tied it on the final snap of regulation after Darnold drove the Trojans 52 yards in about 30 seconds.

Deontay Burnett caught a 25-yard touchdown pass from Darnold on the first snap of overtime, but Cade Brewer caught a short TD pass to cap Texas' first OT possession.

Texas reached the goal line in the second OT before Rector ripped the ball out of Ehlinger's hands while the freshman quarterback attempted to score.

New digs for Falcons as they welcome formidable Packers

By Barry Wilner
Associated Press

The last time they faced off in Atlanta, the Falcons routed the Packers for the NFC title. When they meet Sunday night, the site will be different, with the Falcons playing their first regular-season game in Mercedes Benz Stadium.

Considering how poorly Green Bay played last January at the Georgia Dome, it probably welcomes the change of venue.

"It's past," Packers star quarterback Aaron Rodgers insists. "You can't rewrite history. It's just two 1-0 teams who both think we can be there at the end of the season. These are the type of games, like last week, that you win these games and you feel better in December and January when you're coming down to filling out that 12-team bracket."

They got to 1-0 in dissimilar ways.

Green Bay completely shut down Seattle — yet another highly touted NFC contender — at Lambeau Field. Atlanta struggled with lowly Chicago before a goal-line stand, helped by a dropped pass that should have been a touchdown, allowed it to survive.

Now, the Falcons, who followed that NFC championship win with a Super collapse against New England, open their new digs officially. The roof will even be open for the first time during a game, it appears. So the Falcons would play their first open-air home game since 1991, their final season at Atlanta Fulton-County Stadium.

Week 2 began with the Houston Texans' 13-9 victory over the Cincinnati Bengals on Thursday night.

Deshaun Watson ran 49 yards for a touchdown in his first NFL start and led Houston's depleted offense to a late clinching field goal. Watson showed up in a black tuxedo for his first NFL start — it was his 22nd birthday, no less — and showed the flash that helped him lead Clemson to a national title.

The Texans (1-1) got the most out of their depleted offense, and then let their defense do the rest. The Bengals (0-2) have failed to score a touchdown in their first two games to open a season for the first time in their 50 seasons.

Dallas (1-0) at Denver (1-0)

After manhandling the Giants, Dallas can really prove it is an NFC power again by crossing over, heading to the Rockies and beating the Broncos. The Cowboys had the ball for so long against New York that the Giants' formidable defense withered. Denver's D is just as good, so it's a matchup of Dak Prescott, Zeke Elliott, Jason Witten and that terrific offensive line against Von Miller, Aqib Talib & Co.

Dallas last beat Denver in 1995, a Super Bowl season for the Cowboys.

The Broncos might have found yet another dangerous receiver in Bennie Fowler III, who had two TD receptions as they held on to edge the Chargers on Monday night. But the run game must be sharp in this one.

Philadelphia (1-0) at Kansas City (1-0)

Both come off impressive road wins.

Eagles coach Doug Pederson is a disciple of Chiefs head man Andy Reid. Their forte is offense, and Kansas City was opportunistic and, at times, dominant in New England with the ball.

RB Kareem Hunt set a rookie debut record with 246 yards from scrimmage, while WR Tyreek Hill has a 60-plus yard TD in five consecutive games.

Philly's Carson Wentz, 4-0 in September matches, must watch for Chiefs linebacker Justin Houston, who had 4 ½ sacks the last time the clubs met.

New England (0-1) at New Orleans (0-1)

Yes, it really did happen in the 2017 kickoff game: New England got hammered in the fourth quarter at home by Kansas City.

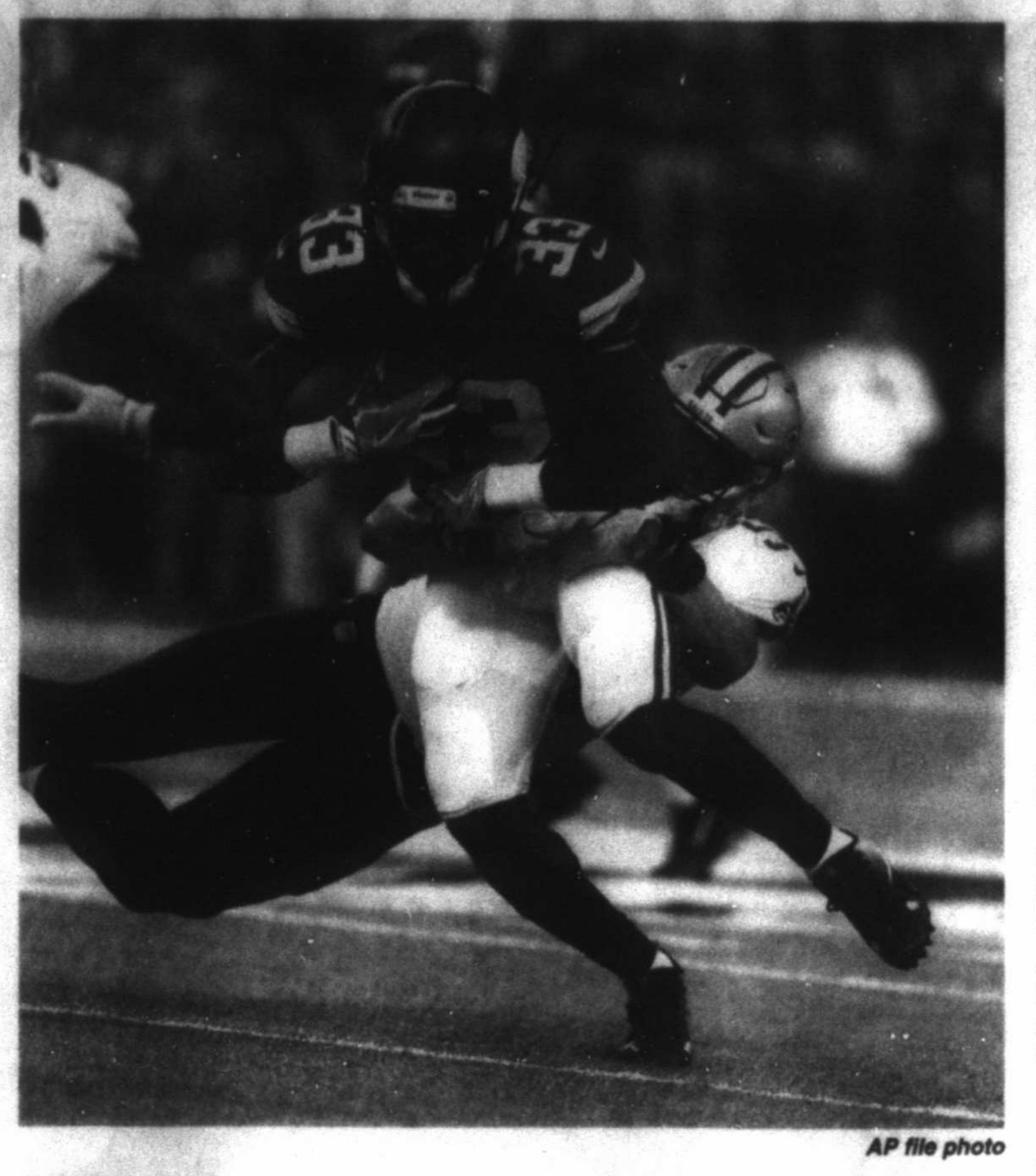
Usually, the Patriots respond after a loss, especially one in which Tom Brady struggled. Since 2003, the Patriots are 42-6 in the regular season after a loss.

"What you are in September is different from what you're gonna be as the season goes on," Brady says. "You're trying to see where your deficiencies are and you're trying to make improvements. Obviously what we did the other night is not good enough, by any means."

New Orleans had far too many deficiencies at Minnesota, and its loose coverage of receivers could be its demise against Brady. But Drew Brees can make up for some issues.

Minnesota (1-0) at Pittsburgh (1-0)

The Vikings, particularly second-round running back Dalvin Cook (127 yards rushing) were impressive on Monday night against New Orleans, but a short turnaround for a trip to the Steel City is never enviable. Their last win in Pittsburgh came on Sept. 24, 1995.



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Minnesota Vikings running back Dalvin Cook carries the ball during the first half of an NFL game against the New Orleans Saints on Monday in Minneapolis. The Minnesota Vikings visit the Pittsburgh Steelers today looking to prove their easy victory over New Orleans in the opener was no fluke.

COLLEGE TOP 25 ROUNDUP

NO. 24 FLORIDA 26, NO. 23 TENNESSEE 20

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Feleipe Franks heaved a 63-yard touchdown pass to Tyrie Cleveland as the clock expired, and No. 24 Florida beat 23rd-ranked Tennessee 26-20 in a wild, wacky and sometimes unwatchable rivalry game Saturday.

Franks scrambled away from the rush on a first-and-10 play with 9 seconds remaining and found Cleveland behind safety Micah Abernathy for a Hail Mary that no one — especially the Volunteers — saw coming.

The final play capped a crazy fourth quarter in which the teams combined for 37 points and little, if any, defense.

Tennessee (2-1, 0-1 Southeastern Conference) can blame three missed field goals for not being ahead late. The Gators (1-1, 1-0) looked as if they had the game in hand early in the final frame, but found a way to let the Volunteers get back in it.

Franks had one huge mistake — an interception in Florida territory that set up Tennessee's tying field goal. The Vols had three plays from the 9, but failed to get in the end zone and settled for three points with 50 seconds left.

It looked for sure as if it was headed for overtime — and then Franks found Cleveland.

NO. 1 ALABAMA 41, COLORADO STATE 23

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Jalen Hurts passed for 248 yards and two long touchdowns and rushed for 103 yards to lead Alabama past Colorado State.

The Crimson Tide (3-0) dominated early and emphatically answered a comeback attempt before outlasting the Rams (2-2).

Hurts delivered his best all-around game of the season. He ran for a 27-yard touchdown and hit on a career-long 78-yard scoring pass to Calvin Ridley and a 52-yarder to Robert Foster.

Hurts completed 12 of 17 passes and mixed in 11 carries before leaving late in the third quarter. It was his second straight 100-plus yard rushing performance.

The Tide needed just 10 minutes and a few big plays from Hurts to race to a 17-0 lead. The first-quarter stats were utterly one-sided, with Alabama outgaining Colorado State 216-11.

MISSISSIPPI STATE 37, NO. 12 LSU 7

STARKVILLE, Miss. — Nick Fitzgerald threw two touchdown passes and ran for two more scores to help Mississippi State rout LSU.

Aeris Williams led the Bulldogs with 146 yards rushing and averaged 6.3 yards per carry. Mississippi State (3-0, 1-0 Southeastern Conference) beat LSU for just the second time in 18 tries dating to 2000.

LSU (2-1, 0-1) easily won its first two games of the season, but was overmatched by Mississippi State on both sides of the ball. The Tigers were also sloppy — two touchdown plays were negated because of penalties. In all, LSU was penalized nine times for 112 yards.

Fitzgerald was 15-of-23 passing for 180 yards. Keith Mixon caught six passes for 97 yards and a touchdown. Freshman Jace Christmann made the first three field goals of his career, connecting from 30, 45 and 27 yards.

LSU tied it at 7 in the second quarter on Darrel Williams' 10-yard touchdown run. But Mississippi State responded with 30 straight points. LSU's Danny Etling completed just 13 of 29 passes for 137 yards. Derrius Guice had 76 yards rushing.

MEMPHIS 48, NO. 25 UCLA 45

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Riley Ferguson threw for 398 yards and six touchdowns, and Jacobi Francis broke up a fourth-down pass in the closing seconds in Memphis' victory over UCLA.

Francis' breakup with 56 seconds left prevented another fourth-quarter comeback by Bruins quarterback Josh Rosen. He was 34 of 56 for 463 yards and four TDs.

But unlike in the Bruins' opener when Rosen led a fourth-quarter comeback to beat Texas A&M, the Memphis defense stiffened on UCLA's final possession.

Ferguson completed 23 of 38 passes for Memphis (2-0), and his connections with wide receiver Anthony Miller meant the difference. Miller caught nine passes for 185 yards and a pair of touchdowns.

UCLA (2-1) took a 45-41 lead early in the fourth quarter on a 22-yard pass from Rosen to Austin Roberts with 11:51 left. But Memphis answered with a four-play, 81-yard drive — the final 3 coming on a pass from Ferguson to Phil Mayhue with 9:56 left.

NO. 2 OKLAHOMA 56, TULANE 14

NORMAN, Okla. — Baker Mayfield passed for 331 yards and four touchdowns, and Oklahoma followed its impressive victory at Ohio State with a win over Tulane.

CeeDee Lamb caught four passes for 131 yards and two touchdowns before he was ejected for targeting on a block in the second quarter. Marquise Brown had career highs of six catches for 155 yards, including an 87-yard touchdown grab in the fourth quarter for the Sooners (3-0).

The Sooners and Green Wave were tied at 14 in the second quarter before Oklahoma's Parnell Motley returned an interception 77 yards for a touchdown to turn the momentum for good. Oklahoma extended its nation-leading winning streak to 13 games.

Tulane (1-2) scored on its first two drives and never scored again. Dontrell Hilliard ran for 104 yards and a touchdown to surpass 2,000 yards rushing in his career for the Green Wave.

NO. 7 MICHIGAN 29, AIR FORCE 13

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Donovan Peoples-Jones returned a punt 79 yards for a score and Quinn Nordin tied a school record with five field goals, helping Michigan overcome offensive struggles.

The Wolverines (3-0) didn't lead by more than three points until Peoples-Jones' touchdown early in the third quarter.

The Falcons (1-1) failed to convert a pass until Arion Worthman threw a short pass to Ronald Cleveland and the receiver turned it into a 64-yard touchdown play with 11:54 left in the quarter that pulled the service academy within three points again.

Nordin kicked two more field goals, late in the third and early in the fourth, to share a single-game school mark with three players.

Michigan's Wilton Speight was 14 of 23 for 169 yards, missing some targets and having some passes dropped. Ty Isaac ran for 89 yards on 16 carries.

NO. 8 OHIO STATE 38, ARMY 7

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Freshman J.K. Dobbins ran for 172 yards and a pair of touchdowns and Ohio State rebounded from a deflating loss to rout Army.

Dobbins broke away for an electrifying 52-yard touchdown run to open the second half after romping for 22 yards on the previous play, extending Ohio State's 17-7 halftime lead. The Buckeyes (2-1) then got touchdowns on two of their next three drives to pull away.

J.T. Barrett, the target this week of critics who suggested he should be benched after the 31=16 home loss to Oklahoma, was 25 for 33 for 270 yards and two touchdowns.

He looked slick on a drive in the third quarter when he hit Marcus Baugh for 31 yards, then threw a perfect 20-yard scoring strike on a post route to Terry McLaurin in the end zone. That score gave him 106 touchdowns responsible for in his career, tying him for the Big Ten career lead with former Purdue star Drew Brees. Barrett broke the record on the next possession with a 9-yard scoring pass to Austin Mack.

NO. 9 OKLAHOMA STATE 59, PITTSBURGH 21

PITTSBURGH — Mason Rudolph threw five touchdown passes, all in the first half, for Oklahoma State.

Rudolph completed 23 of 32 passes for 497 yards before being pulled in the middle of the third quarter with the Cowboys (3-0) in full command. He did throw his first interception of the season, ending a streak of 216 passes without a pick dating to last season. It was the longest active streak in the FBS.

Jalen McCleskey caught seven passes for 162 yards and three touchdowns. James Washington added 124 yards receiving. Marcell Ateman (109) and Dillon Stoner (100) also reached the 100-yard receiving mark, the first time in 12 years a team has had four 100-yard receivers in a game. The Cowboys did it despite missing LSU transfer Tyron Johnson, suspended for the game for a violation of team rules.

The Cowboys reached the end zone on each of their first seven possessions, including a pair of touchdown runs by Justice Hill. Oklahoma State converted all nine of its third downs in the opening half.

NO. 10 WISCONSIN 40, BYU 6

PROVO, Utah — Alex Hornibrook threw for 256 yards and four touchdowns for Wisconsin.

The Badgers (3-0) met little resistance as they put the game away in the first half and led 24-6 at halftime.

Hornibrook missed on only one pass all day. He completed 10 of 11 passes in the first half for 149 yards and two touchdowns. The second half was more of the same as he hit on all eight attempts. The sophomore put up career highs in passing yards, passing touchdowns and completions.

Jonathan Taylor gave the BYU defense fits as he repeatedly sidestepped defenders and finished runs with power. The freshman running back gained 128 yards and scored once on 18 rushes.

NO. 15 AUBURN 24, MERCER 10

AUBURN, Ala. — Kamryn Pettway ran for 128 yards and three touchdowns and Auburn overcame five turnovers to hold off FCS school Mercer.

After being held without a touchdown in a 14-6 loss at third-ranked Clemson the previous week, Auburn (2-1) could at least point to a stout defensive opponent as the reason for its troubles. Not this time.

Mercer (1-2), which only resumed its football program five years ago and plays a division down in the Southern Conference, gave the Tigers all they could handle, much to a chagrin of a disgruntled crowd at Jordan-Hare Stadium — many of whom didn't bother returning to their seats after a lackluster first half in which the Southeastern Conference powerhouse led only 10-3.

Much of Auburn's woes could be attributed to an inability to hold onto the ball. The Tigers lost three fumbles in the first half and another returning a punt on what should've been their first possession of the second half. Jason Stidham also had an interception when Kam Lott ripped the ball away from Nate Craig-Meyers, a lackluster effort by the intended receiver that symbolized the entire afternoon.

NO. 16 VIRGINIA TECH 64, EAST CAROLINA 17

GREENVILLE, N.C. — Redshirt freshman Josh Jackson threw for 372 yards and five touchdowns — three to Cam Phillips — for Virginia Tech.

Phillips had a program-record 14 catches for 189 yards to help the Hokies improve to 3-0 for the first time since 2011. He punctuated his day with a perfectly executed route that left him wide open, and Jackson hit him in stride for a 45-yard score with 7:46 left in the third quarter.

Both Jackson and Phillips called it a day before the fourth, as Virginia Tech roared out of a slow first-quarter start by scoring 57 straight points to turn this into a rout. That included 34 points and four TD throws by Jackson in the third quarter alone.

Gardner Minshew threw for two scores for the Pirates (0-3).

NO. 21 WASHINGTON STATE 52, OREGON STATE 23

PULLMAN, Wash. — Luke Falk threw six touchdown passes — three to Tavares Martin Jr. — and Washington State beat Oregon State for its fourth consecutive victory over the Beavers.

Washington State (3-0, 1-0 Pac-12) was coming off a triple-overtime victory over Boise State.

Falk, the FBS active leader with 98 touchdown passes, completed 37 of 49 passes for 396 yards without an interception. Martin had 10 catches for 194 yards.

NFL GLANCE

AMERICAN CONFERENCE	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
East						
Buffalo	1	0	0	1.000	21	12
Miami	0	0	0	.000	0	0
New England	0	1	0	.000	27	42
N.Y. Jets	0	1	0	.000	12	21
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Jacksonville	1	0	0	1.000	29	7
Houston	1	1	0	.500	20	38
Tennessee	0	1	0	.000	16	26
Indianapolis	0	1	0	.000	9	46
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	1	0	0	1.000	20	0
Pittsburgh	1	0	0	1.000	21	19
Cleveland	0	1	0	.000	18	21
Cincinnati	0	2	0	.000	9	33
West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Oakland	1	0	0	1.000	26	16
Kansas City	1	0	0	1.000	42	27
Denver	1	0	0	.000	0	0
L.A. Chargers	0	1	0	.000	0	0

NATIONAL CONFERENCE	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
East						
Philadelphia	1	0	0	1.000	30	17
Dallas	1	0	0	1.000	19	3
N.Y. Giants	0	1	0	.000	3	19
Washington	0	1	0	.000	17	30
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Carolina	1	0	0	1.000	23	3
Atlanta	1	0	0	1.000	23	17
Tampa Bay	1	0	0	1.000	31	0
New Orleans	0	1	0	.000	19	29
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Detroit	1	0	0	1.000	35	23
Minnesota	1	0	0	1.000	29	19
Green Bay	1	0	0	1.000	17	9
Chicago	0	1	0	.000	17	23
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	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
L.A. Rams	1	0	0	1.000	46	9
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San Francisco	0	1	0	.000	3	25

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Dallas at Denver, 3:25 p.m.
Green Bay at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.

STREAK

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respect for him."

Broncos coach Vance Joseph said Miller is putting his imprint on games even without getting his hands on the quarterbacks. He noted the Chargers converted just 25 percent on third downs: "They were 3 of 12 ... so who cares? It's team football. So, if they're going to take Von away, we've got ways to win third downs and win second downs. That's what's important, not sacks."

Miller isn't worried about his dearth of sacks, figuring they'll come in bunches, like his mentor, Elvis Dumervil, used to say. Plus, he knows he can wreck an offensive game plan in other ways. So, no, he isn't pressing.

"I've been playing great," Miller said. "We've been playing great as a defense. ... I'm on it. The sacks are going to come."

Other subplots as the Cowboys seek their first win over Denver since 1995:

Elliott's exploits: Ezekiel Elliott has 100 or more scrimmage yards in 12 of 16 career games, including 140 against the Giants in the opener. The Broncos allowed Melvin Gordon to gain just 33 yards on 17 tries after he scampered for 21 yards on his first carry.

In Elliott, whose six-game suspension in a domestic violence case is on hold, the Broncos get a litmus test for their offseason makeover of their defensive line featuring the additions of nose tackles Domata Peko and Zack Kerr, who returned this week from a sprained knee.

Record breaker: Witten is set to break Ed "Too Tall" Jones' club record by playing in his 225th game Sunday. That's a week after topping Hall of Fame receiver Michael Irvin's franchise mark in yards receiving with 11,947. 43 yards more than Irvin.

"I don't think I've ever been around a guy who is as dedicated to getting every aspect of his job done the right way every day," Garrett said.

Leary sidelined: The Broncos' big offseason addition was right guard Ron Leary , who bolted Dallas for Denver's four-year, $36 million contract. But he left his first game with a concussion, leaving the Broncos scrambling to plug in Connor McGovern and Billy Turner.

They might end up using both men, just like they rotated Max Garcia and Allen Barbre at left guard last week.

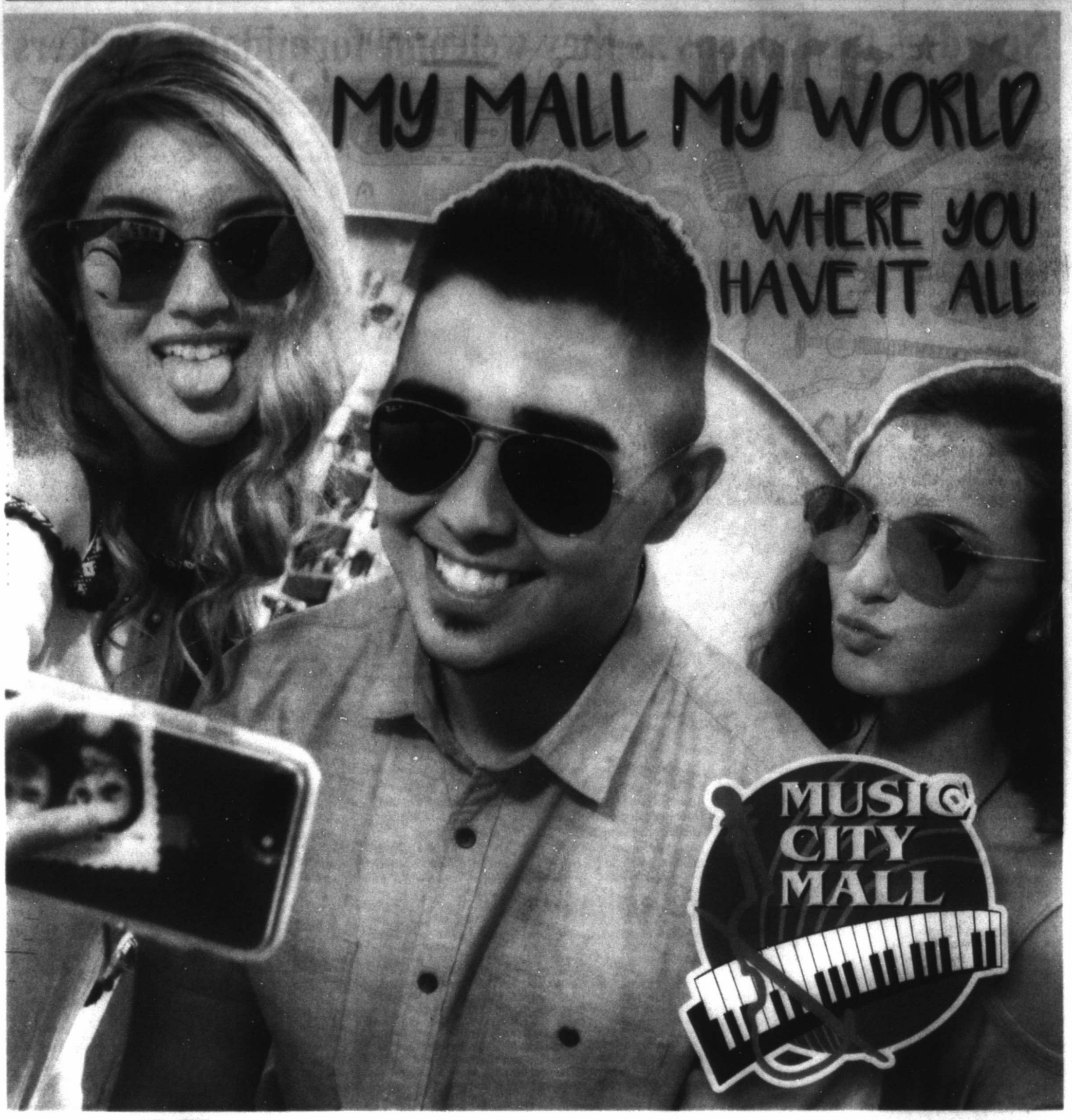
Suspect secondary?: Emmanuel Sanders had just three catches for 26 yards in Week 1, but the Cowboys' secondary could be the setup for a big bounce-back. The Cowboys lost cornerbacks Brandon Carr and Morris Claiborne in free agency, along with safeties Barry Church and J.J. Wilcox.

Cornerback Orlando Scandrick started alongside newcomer Nolan Carroll against the Giants. Scandrick got hurt, leading to significant snaps for Chidobe Awuzie, a rookie from Colorado. The safeties are holdovers Jeff Heath and Byron Jones.

Go-to guys: Cowboys receiver Dez Bryant has an NFL-high 61 career TDs since entering the league in 2010.

"He's a baller," said Broncos receiver Demaryius Thomas, who has 52 career TDs.

Each has 11 TD catches since signing similar five-year, $70 million deals two summers ago, but Bryant has missed 10 games. So his 83 receptions for 1,540 yards pale in comparison to Thomas' 200 receptions for 2,454 yards.



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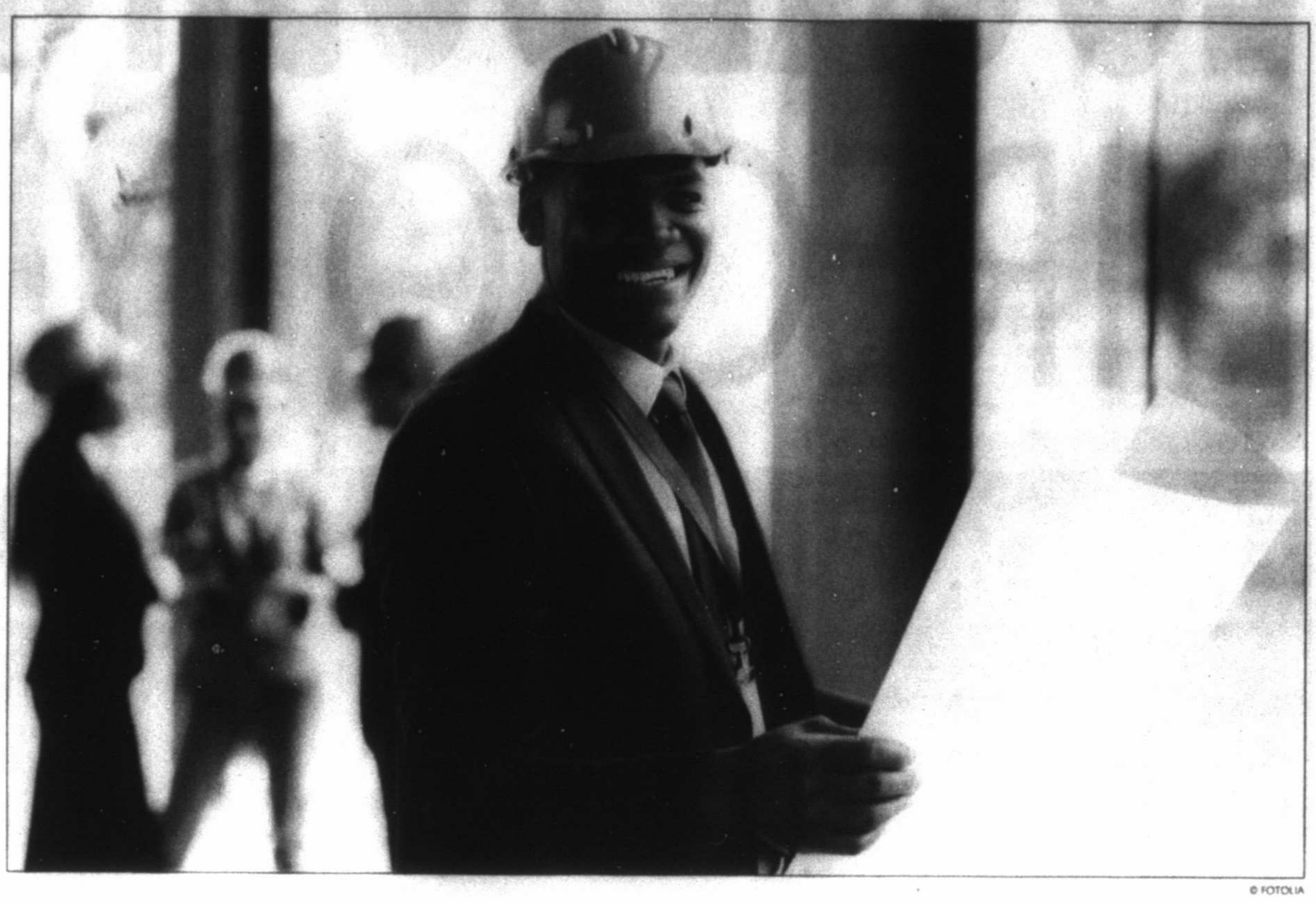

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One role within this sector is that of the construction manager, a professional who can oversee work on both residential and commercial projects ranging from new construction to remodeling jobs.

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SALARY AND OUTLOOK

According to the Occupational Outlook Handbook reported by the United States Department of Labor, the median pay for a Construction Manager is about $82,000 per year.

The department's last in-depth look into the profession came in 2012, when it was projected to grow 16 percent by 2022 — faster than the average industry in the United States.

The professionals best equipped to land construction management jobs have a bachelor's degree in construction science, construction management or civil engineering, according to the outlook handbook.

KEY TRAITS

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Being able to navigate all of these relationships requires collaborative communication skills and a strength in building positive relationships.

Going Freelance

More than half of the workforce is expected to be freelance by 2020, according to a recent Gallup poll.

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A growing desire to build a business or simply escape the corporate grind has many trading in their office computers and mahogany desks for their laptops and home offices.

But is going freelance really feasible? Can you make a great living and still enjoy all the benefits of being your own boss? The numbers say yes.

THE COMPANY PERSPECTIVE

A freelancer can be categorized into a few segments: the business owner, the independent contractor and the consultant. Companies are hiring these professionals because they are specialized in their crafts.

They also are hiring them because they are cheaper. Let's say a consumer goods company needs a graphic designer to create an exciting new product campaign. The job will take about four weeks to complete and will include the design of print materials, a website and a billboard.

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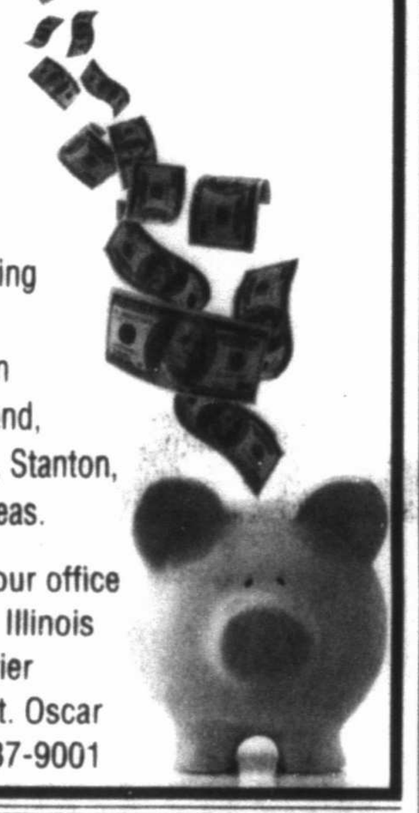

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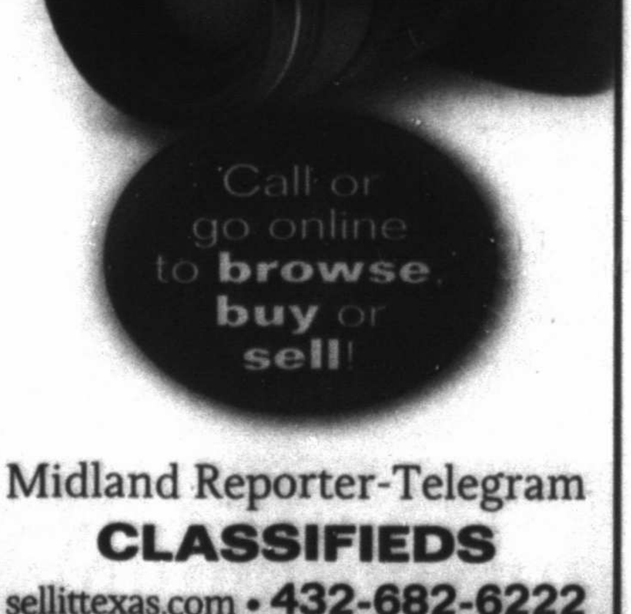

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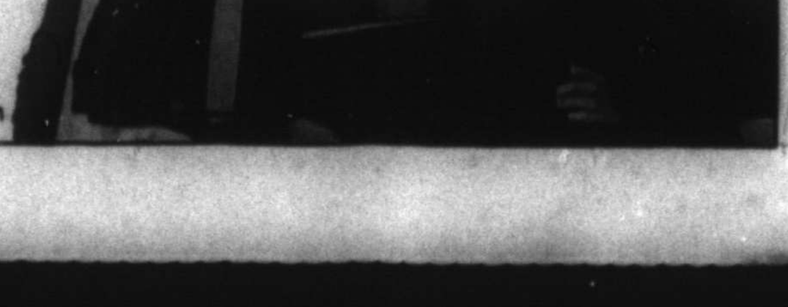

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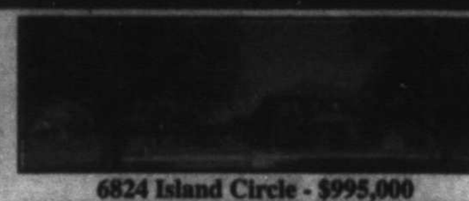

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10 Saddle Club Dr - Wonderful Saddle Club Estates! Well built home on 1.008 acres. Spacious home,w/beautiful wood paneled den, formal living & dining. Classic Saltillo tile! Fabulous 5 car garage! Fenced w/private gated entry! $950,000
3005 Seafin St - Top quality workmanship! Custom finishes! Beautiful granite selection, chef's kitchen w/great work space & pantry. Extra storage! Plus so much more!..Odessa $389,000
2804 Indiana Ave -Lovely home in Old Midland! Quiet neighborhood in museum district. Fully remodeled kitchen and bathroom plus so many other updates! WOW $359,000
1210 Golf Course Rd - Truly an "Old Midland" home. Spacious back porch, hardwoods, 3/4 of an acre lot, pretty landscaping, even a basement $249,500
4700 Boulder Dr - Low maintenance 3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, 2-story Townhome in Skyline Terrace Subdivision $180,000

One Bedrooms

4700 Boulder Dr - Lovely 1 Bedroom/1 Bath condo in Skyline Terrance w/community pool ..... SOLD- $40,000

Two Bedrooms

4700 Boulder unit 1505-Furnished 2 story move in ready 2BR/2.5BA condo w/many updates! Washer and Dryer included!! $80,000

Three Bedrooms

27 Oaklawn Park-Beautiful neighborhood in park-like setting! Open floor plan w/high ceilings and so many updates! Shady and lush private patio! $535,000
5310 Goldcrest Cove - Beautiful custom Glenn Miller home on cul-de-sac in Greathouse ..... SOLD- $470,000
2201 S County Rd 1044-Country living at its finest! 9 11 sought after GREENWOOD acres, custom farmhouse w/open floorplan, wrap around porch & TONS of storage $450,500
11567 W County Rd 52 -Lots of space here! 3/2 on 5 acres with a barn, stable w/tack room,cave and roping arena! ..... SOLD- $425,000
1709 Douglas Ave -Great location, 3 Large bedrooms, 3 baths. Garage is carpeted, heated and cooled. Master bedroom area was previously an in-law suite. ..... SOLD- $365,000
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5409 Ridgewood Ct-Lovely 3BR/2.5BA on quiet cul-de-sac in Grasslands. Spacious w/great plan and pretty yard. SOLD- $360,000
1600 E County Rd 129 -Spacious den w/fireplace, entertaining media/family room, 3BR, 2BA. Workshop complete with overhead door. 2 well houses. ..... SOLD- $298,000
2205 Newly Ave-Loved and cared for home in "old Midland". Updated kitchen, spacious bedrooms, large yard plus extra storage! $295,000
3117 Chelsea Pl-Better than new and squeaky clean! Great plan and move in ready! 3/2 large closets, perfect kitchen and nice patio! $290,500
1208 Newly Ave -Another great town house in Wallace townhomes! Recent kitchen remodel! Granite and tile! New cabinets! Great patio! $284,000
6809 Castleford Rd-Great home @ a price for buyer who wants to update paints & flooring with their own touches. Large BR's, plus bonus room $279,900
3404 Oakmont Dr-3 BR, 3 full bath in Fairmont Park. Nice updates incl kitchen and main bath granite counters, hardwood floors! Super location across from park! $270,000
404 Pine Ave-Great rental/investment property. Duplex! Live in one side and rent the other! Each has 3BR/2BA. 2 car garage and lots of storage. Small side yard w/covered patio. ..... SOLD- $270,000
4923 W Spring Meadow Ln-Lovely Meadow Park townhouse w/tall ceilings, tile floors, spacious rooms, open plan, lots of windows, tons of storage! Great buy! $249,900

Three Bedrooms

1600 Ranger St-Comfy lived in townhouse, open living concept, high ceilings, 7' backyard fence on concrete perimeter, brick and wrought iron gate. $240,000
4313 Sweeing Ave-Beautiful remodel/centrally located to everything! Great floor plan! ..... SOLD- $229,000
3302 Terrace Ave - Beautifully updated 3BR/2BA w/open floor plan in central location! Gorgeous tile, engineered hardwoods and crown molding! $219,900
1003 Upland Dr - Careful, it's loaded!! Recent paint, carpeting, raised hardwoods, baths taken to studs, new electrical boxes, roof, sewer line, windows, plumbing fixtures! So much more! ..... SOLD- $208,000
1000 Delmar -Beautifully remodeled home centrally located. So much new throughout! $179,000
4410 Roosevelt Dr -Spacious 3BR/2BA/2LA(spacious den w/wood burning fireplace), large workshop w/2 garage doors, 1 car attached garage $169,000
2100 W Wadley Ave #26-Spacious condo w/3 large bedrooms Small gated back patio and open front patio/yard within walking distance of the pool. So many updates throughout $169,000
4700 Boulder Dr - Low maintenance 3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, 2-story Townhome in Skyline Terrace Subdivision $160,000

Four Bedrooms

6824 Island Circle - Beautiful w/many waterfront views, fabulous Great Room. Sun room with telescoping glass walls that open to patio. Beautiful infinity pool/ hardwoods, granite! You'll love it!! $995,000
6500 Saddle Horn La-Gorgeous Los Conchos estate! 4 BR, 3 Bath, 40X60 workshop/RV garage, sparkling pool, fabulous open plan w/great room and amazing kitchen! ..... UC- $949,000
2513 Regency Oaks Ct - Beautiful MR Lary home on a cul-de-sac in Mockingbird Oaks. Wonderful Great Room, large chef's kitchen. 10' & 12' ceilings + 8' doors! WOW $750,000
10 Saddle Club Dr - Wonderful Saddle Club Estates! Well built home on 1.008 acres. Spacious home,w/beautiful wood paneled den, formal living & dining. Classic Saltillo tile! Fabulous 5 car garage! Fenced w/private gated entry! ..... UC- $950,000
4502 Green Tree Blvd - Lovely updated home on the golf course. The view is amazing!! Plus a lovely screened in porch and pool! $629,500
1600 Huntington Ave -Exquisite 4/3.5 home on one of Midland's beautiful tree-lined streets in the heart of Midland $540,000
5308 Carrington Ct - Fabulous in Green Tree North. Many Recent updates! Open versatile plan and Traditional curb appeal! A Must See! $508,000
5010 Apple Creek Rd-Practically perfect in every way! Great plan, open kitchen, lovely landscaping. One of a Kind.. SOLD- $475,000
2100 Shell Ave-Custom home on 1/2 acre lot, 6' brick/block fencing w/ornamental metal gates, steel roof, chosen neighborhood w/great storage, large sunroom, outside dining area & workshop! $450,000
4012 Hilltop Dr-This home is wonderful for entertaining inside & out. Living area & kitchen are open plan that faces outside to an inground pool w/patio, outside dining area under pergola. WOW $435,000
5300 Greathouse-Spectacular 4Bdrm/3Bth. Expect to be impressed! High ceilings, hardwood floors, gourmet kitchen w/granite, plus play set and pazia to stay! ..... UC- $425,000
1201 Castleford Rd-Extremely well cared for squeaky clean and neat as a pin! 4/3 with large yard and pretty landscaping! ..... UC- $370,000
2800 Harvard-Lovely 4Bdrm/3Bth home w/Hardwood Floors, High Ceilings, Tile Flooring and Wood Shutters $350,000
2904 Indiana Ave -Lovely home in Old Midland! Quiet neighborhood in museum district. Fully remodeled kitchen and bathroom plus so many other updates! WOW $329,500
5009 Castleford Rd -Great home @ a great price! LG BR's w/own baths & abundant closets, gameroom or 4th BR w/that bath! Home office space w/built in cabinetry. So much for price. ..... SOLD- $279,000
1210 Golf Course Rd - Truly an "Old Midland" home. Spacious back porch, hardwoods, 3/4 of an acre lot, pretty landscaping, even a basement $249,500
3300 S. County Rd. 1080-Great opportunity to have an acre of land in Greenwood. 4br/3 bath w/lots of space SOLD- $199,000

Five or More Bedrooms

3000 Fairwood Ct - Gorgeous updating in this 5/4.5 family home. Located on a beautiful cul-de-sac. Wonderful kitchen w/great amenities. Plus guest house! $699,000
6300 Carrington Ct - Fabulous in Green Tree North. Many Recent updates! Open versatile plan and Traditional curb appeal! A Must See! ..... UC- $499,000
1301 Lennon Ave - Beautiful Old Midland home! Lots of new including flooring, carpet, kitchen and bathroom updates, and many special features throughout! Exquisite backyard! $458,000
5306 Greathouse- Wonderful 5Bdrm/3Bth home in Greathouse. Walls of windows, gourmet kitchen w/granite island. Covered patio! ..... UC- $439,500

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8101 S Hwy 349- Once in a lifetime opportunity for building a dream home or 2 on this 1 99 ac tract of land @ Midland Country Club. $700,000
5703 E. Co. Rd. 60-2784 sq. ft. w/in-law plan $399,900
1600 E taylor Ave, Midland - 3.440 acres of vacant land zoned commercial $199,000
2701 S. County Rd. 1118-Prime location 1.336 acres, to build a home that could face either South County Road 1118 or East County Road 95 ..... $87,000

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3909 S. Co. Rd. 1298, Midland, Tx -Includes 5 buildings on 5.852 acres. Total of 50,035 sq. ft. ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Noll 682-1111
301 S. Loft Hwy., Odessa, Tx- Includes 3 tracts with 3 buildings. Total square footage of 14,562 with both office buildings, warehouses, and a truck maintenance shop ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Noll 682-1111
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2800 W Louisiana Ave -Location ,Location ,Location The 45 room facility originally built in 1954 w/new additions since ..... UC- $2,900,000
2211 N. County Rd. 1120-Greenwood property! 3 bdrm/2.5 bth home on 30 acres $795,000
10001 W CR 72, Midland- 5 020 acres, 4,200 sq. ft. office built in 2015. 2 modular buildings to house overnight drivers. Perfect truck yard. $750,000
11525 W Hwy 158, Garden City- 20 acres of Ranch/Pasture and w/a 1,780 sq. ft. home, 4 bed, 3 bath whole house generator $400,000
1730 FM 1936-Odessa, TX Two warehouse/shop buildings fenced yard city water 480 sq. ft. office space $239,000
0 Cotton Flat Rd - Zoned Industrial Park $100,000

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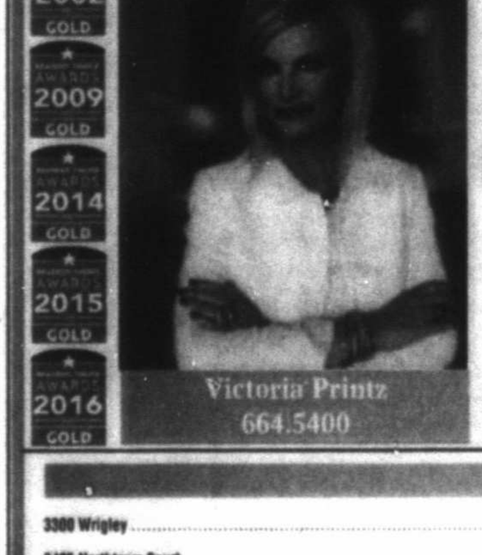

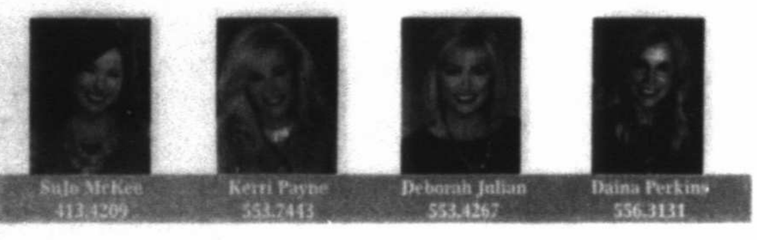

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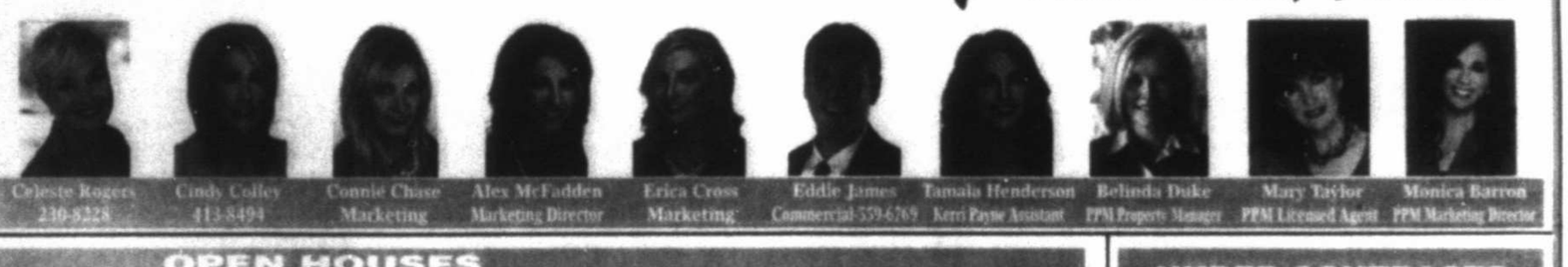

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3300 Wrigley	OPEN 1:00-2:00
2405 Northtown Court	OPEN 1:00-2:00
2010 Chelsea Place	OPEN 2:30-3:30
4100 ECR 81	OPEN 2:30-3:30

4+ BEDROOMS

6312 Edinburgh Drive-Magnificent mansion on 2.5 acres(7400 sqft)- Totally updated! 4 bed/4 full bath+3 half bath/6 living/3 fireplaces & dazzling pool, outdoor kitchen & bar on lushly landscaped grounds! No detail left undone! Hardwoods, soaring ceilings & winding staircase! $1,050,000
13201 ECR 110-Absolutely stunning 4 bed/4.5 bath/4 living (great room, game room, study, loft)/2 dining/3 gar home w/workshop on 1.8 acres in gated community! $895,000
4310 Coyote Trail-Absolutely fabulous home on 3.33 Acres---country living with convenience! 4 Spacious bed/5.5 Bath/2 dining/4 living (great room, media room, formal living, study)/3 car gar+6+parking w workshop (725 sqft w/7 gar doors & 7+ parking)! Fantastic swim spa recently added $774,000
7004 Calea Ct.-Spectacular! 5 bed/5.5 bath/5 living (w/sunroom)/2 dining/4 car gar home w/dazzling pool and spa w/high brick privacy fence! No carpet- all hardwood & tile! Beautiful landscaped grounds! $650,000
4100 ECR 81-Fantastic 4 bed/3 bath/2 living/2 dining/3 gar home on landscaped lot (2.33 acres)! Gourmet kitchen, modern light fixtures, oversized bedrooms w/walk-ins & spacious living area! $545,000
2010 Chelsea Pl.-Stunning! 4 bed/3 bath/2 dining/3 car (extended) gar home on quite lot! Soaring ceilings, crown molding, plantation shutters, beautiful tile flooring (carpet in bed) & fabulous custom cabinetry thru-out! $450,900
3303 Ma Mar Ct.-Fabulous 4 bed/3 ba/2 lg living/2 dining area home in central Midland on tree-lined cul-de-sac! Hardwood & tile flooring, recent paint, updated baths, built-ins, fireplace, high ceilings and walls of windows! $425,000
2000 N Garfield St.-Executive style townhouse w/3 bed (downstairs master w/2 baths)/4.5 baths/2 living/2 dining/wet bar/2 fireplaces & 3 car gar! Pool/hot tub & cabana area in back! $399,900
1415 San Francisco-Fabulous find! 5 bed/3 bath/great room downstairs/game room upstairs.... gourmet kitchen w/ island, granite, gas cooktop, stainless appli & abundant cabinets! Sep. master + one guest bed downstairs & 3 beds upstairs! $329,900
1300 W Tennessee Ave-This great Old Midland location holds 2 properties! Spacious 4 bed/2 bath/lg. kitchen & den home w/ guest house w/ 2 beds & 1 full bath! Both houses have their own yards! New roof 9/1/2017! $299,900
4001 SCR 1140-Ranch-style spacious 4 bed/2 bath/1 living/2 dining & 4 carport on almost 2 acre in Greenwood ISD w/inground pool & 24x24 metal workshop! $248,500
1310 E. Spruce Ave. - Wow! What a fantastic find! 4 Bed/2 bath/2 car gar! Gourmet kitchen w/stainless appliances: gas cooktop, dishwasher, microwave & pantry! Custom finishes on cabinets & gorgeous bronze fixtures! $229,900

1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS

3300 Wrigley - Spectacular 3 bed/3 bath/2 dining/3 car gar low maint luxury townhouse w/lovely landscaped flowerbeds & privacy fenced backyard! Gorgeous granite, glass tile backsplash & treated soaring ceilings! $447,500
2002 Shandon Avenue - Wonderfully updated 3 bed/2 full baths/2 living areas/2 dining & 2 car garage home! Spacious open floor plan w/windows & plantation shutters! Beautiful back yard with enclosed a/c & heated patio! A 724 sq foot a/c workshop & storage! $293,500
2203 Sinclair Avenue-Charming home in the making in the heart of old-Midland! Fantastic location in a safe, family oriented neighborhood! 3 bed/2 baths/3 lg. living areas! Recent interior paint, hardwood floors & walls of paned windows! Lg. storage shed! $279,900
100 W Carpenter (Stanton) - Spacious 3 bed/3 bath/2 living+ bonus room/1 car home on huge corner lot! Lg pool w/slide & patio area! Storage shed & workshop! $264,900
1304 Spruce Ave.-Wow! What a fantastic find! 3 bed/2 bath/2 car gar! Gourmet kitchen w/stainless appliances: gas cooktop, dishwasher, microwave & pantry! Custom finishes on cabinets & gorgeous bronze fixtures! $219,900
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1407 Boeing Dr - Super spacious 3 bed/2 bath home w/2 large living areas (garage has been converted to game room)/2 dining areas & 2 detached 2 car gar! Lg. workshop (572') off alley! $214,500
2405 Northtown Court - Fantastic unique floor plan in this 3 bed/2 bath/great room (w/fireplace)/formal dining & great outdoor living space both in front & back! 2 garage+carport! New roof coming! $210,000
1003 N Dorris Ave.-(Monahans) 3 bed/2 full bath home w/3 garage! Laminate & tile thru-out (carpet in bedrooms), new light fixtures & rich cabinetry in kitchen w/new stainless appli. 30x40 heated/cooled shop w/half bath! $210,000
3016 W Ohio Ave.-3 bed/2 bath/2 living/great room+den/sunroom/1 dining/2 gar home with low maint. yard 2/ storage building! Exposed wood beams w/fireplace in great room! $196,500
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Region 18 Education Service Center (Region 18 ESC) is soliciting Requests for Proposals. RFP R18-2017-09-000004 is for Wall Prep and Paint of the ESC 18 Conference Center. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained beginning September 18, 2017 Region 18 Education Service Center eBid website (esc18.ionwave.net). All questions are to be submitted via the Region 18 Education Service Center eBid website (esc18.ionwave.net). Region 18 Education Service Center desires to remove existing wallpaper, from the ESC 18 Conference, prep all walls for texture, texture and paint specified walls, doors & ceiling. Pre-Bid meeting 9/27/2017, 2:00pm in the ESC 18 Conference Center at 2811 Laforce Blvd. Midland, TX 79706. Region 18 ESC reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

Legal and Public Notices

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Region 18 Education Service Center (Region 18 ESC) is soliciting Requests for Proposals. RFP R18-2017-09-000003 is to Remove and replace flooring in the ESC 18 Conference Center. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained beginning September 18, 2017 Region 18 Education Service Center eBid website (esc18.ionwave.net). All questions are to be submitted via the Region 18 Education Service Center eBid website (esc18.ionwave.net). Region 18 Education Service Center desires to remove existing flooring from the ESC 18 Conference Center and replace with new material. Pre-Bid meeting 9/27/2017. 2:00pm in ESC 18 Conference Center at 2811 Laforce Blvd. Midland, TX 79706. Region 18 ESC reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF BETTY I. MORELAND, DECEASED:

Notice is hereby given that on the 12th day of September, 2017, Letters Testamentary were issued to Roger C. Moreland, Roland T. Moreland, Roshelle Van, and Byron C. Moreland as Independent Co-Executors in proceedings in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, in Probate, styled "In the Matter of the Estate of Betty I. Moreland, Deceased," being No. P-19181 in that Court, and which proceedings are still pending. All persons having claims against the Estate are hereby required to present the same to Roger C. Moreland, Roland T. Moreland, Roshelle Van, and Byron C. Moreland, P.O. Box 4243, Midland, Texas 79704, within the time prescribed by law.

DATED this 14th day of September, 2017.

Roger C. Moreland, Roland T. Moreland,
Roshelle Van, and Byron C. Moreland,
Independent Co-Executors of the
Estate of Betty I. Moreland, Deceased

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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BID

Midland County Hospital District is Requesting Proposals for:

Fetal/Maternal Monitors
for
Midland Memorial Hospital

Specifications may be secured at Materials Management of Midland Memorial Hospital located at 400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Parkway, Midland TX 79701 on or after **Wednesday, September 13th, 2017.**

All proposals must be received in the Department of Materials Management of Midland Memorial Hospital by **12 Noon, Tuesday, September 26th, 2017.**

All proposals must be sealed and labeled **"RFP # 1228-091317"**

Under no circumstances will faxed proposals from bidders be accepted.

All proposals must be price protected until **September 26th, 2018.**

All proposals will remain confidential until after an award has been made. Offerors will then be allowed to review the proposals in the purchasing office according to the policy and procedures of Midland Memorial Hospital. Midland County Hospital District reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive formalities.

Proposals shall be addressed to:
Rachel Hanna Jones
Director, Supply Chain
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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BID

Midland County Hospital District is Requesting Proposals for:

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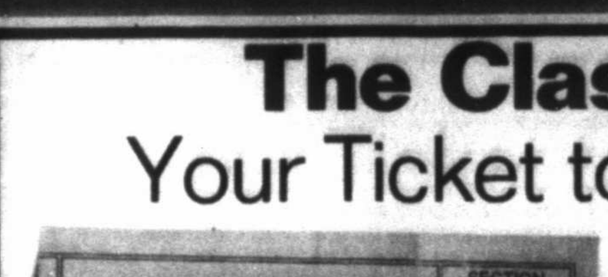

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF TEST OF AUTOMATIC TABULATING EQUIPMENT

Notice is hereby given that the automatic tabulating equipment that will be used in the Joint Special Election held on November 7, 2017 will be tested on September 19, 2017 at 9:00 AM at 2110 North A Street, Suite 103 to ascertain that it will accurately count the votes cast for all offices and on all measures.

Deborah Land
Elections Administrator

AVISO PÚBLICO DE PROBAR EL EQUIPO PARA TABULAR AUTOMATICAMENTE

Por lo presente se da aviso que el equipo para tabular automáticamente que se usará en la Elección Conjunta Especial que se llevará a cabo el 7 de noviembre de 2017 se probará el 19 de septiembre de 2017 a las 9:00 AM en 2110 North A Street, Suite 103 para determinar si el equipo contará con exactitud los votos para todos los puestos oficiales y sobre todos los proyectos de ley.

Deborah Land
Oficial de Elección

Legal and Public Notices

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LEA
FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

SUMMIT ESP, LLC,

Plaintiff,

vs. No. D-506-CV-2016-01276

COBALT OPERATING, LLC;
YESCO HVL, LLC; TRITIUM RESOURCES, LTD;
FUSSELMAN RESOURCES, LLC; and
CONDOR POWER COMPANY, LLC;

Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

TO TRITIUM RESOURCES, LTD AND
FUSSELMAN RESOURCES, LLC:

PLEASE BE ADVISED that a Complaint for Damages and Foreclosure of Oil and Gas Well Lien ("Complaint") has been filed in the Fifth Judicial District Court, Lea County, New Mexico, Cause No. D-506-CV-2016-01276, by Plaintiff Summit ESP, LLC ("Plaintiff"). A copy of the Complaint may be obtained from Plaintiff's attorneys, Keleher & McLeod, P.A. (Nathan S. Stimson), P.O. Box AA, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103, 201 Third St. NW, 12th floor, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102, (505) 346-4646.

The oil, gas, and mineral leasehold estate which is the subject of this action is located in Lea County, New Mexico, and is more particularly described as:

All of that certain leasehold estate under lease by Owner is located at Section 8, Township 17 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico.

Said lease contains, but is not limited to the following wellbore:

A) That certain wellbore known as the Warren #001, API #3002526323, located in Unit G of Section 8, Township 17 South, Range 37 East, NMPM, Lea County, New Mexico. Said well has a surface location of 2,088 feet from the North line and 1,976 feet from the East line of the lease.

The Complaint seeks the following relief: to foreclose Plaintiff's lien on the Warren #001 Well and to recover damages from Defendant Cobalt Operating, LLC for breach of contract.

If you claim any right to, or interest in, the property, you must file an Answer to the Complaint with the Office of the Clerk of the Fifth Judicial District Court at 100 North Main, Box 6-C, Lovington, New Mexico 88260, and mail a copy of your Answer to Plaintiff's counsel at Keleher & McLeod, P.A., Nathan S. Stimson, P.O. Box AA, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103, within thirty (30) days of the completion of service by publication of this Notice of Pendency of Action. Failure to timely file and serve an Answer may result in a Default Judgment being entered against you and in favor of Plaintiff granting Plaintiff the relief requested in the Complaint.

Nelda Cuellar
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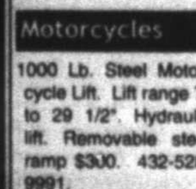

2011 CHEVROLET Tahoe LTZ for sale. Good condition! 93.5k miles with extended warranty. LTZ package comes fully loaded. $22,000. 409-291-1069.

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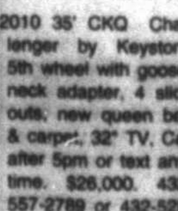

2008 HARLEY Electra glide lots of chrome, 32,000 miles $10,000. 432-634-2397

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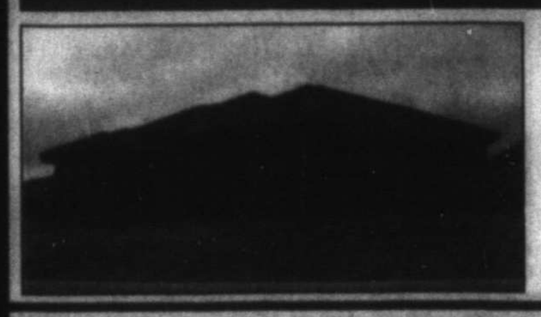

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3106 Kessler Ave.	4Bdrm/2Ba	U/C
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1303 Cerrillos Ave.	4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$309,900
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1618 Casa Grande Trail	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
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5617 Camino Reale	Ashingdon Homes/4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$419,900
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5309 Balfour Ct.	Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	$435,000
7210 E. Co. Rd. 112	Tallwood Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$514,900
7212 E. Co. Rd. 112	Tallwood Homes/4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
5302 Balfour Ct.	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
7208 E. Co. Rd. 112	Tallwood Homes/4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$587,500
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2372 Co. Rd. 2631	Stanton/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Mobile Home	$138,500
12605 E. Co. Rd. 89	Greenwood/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/4.72 Acres	U/C
2383 Co. Rd. 2631	Stanton/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/1 Car Garage	$199,000
6800 FM 307	Greenwood/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$296,400
12200 W. Co. Rd. 58	4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2.5 Acres	$394,900
12215 E. Co. Rd. 101	Greenwood/4Bdrm/2.5Ba/3 Car Garage	$479,000
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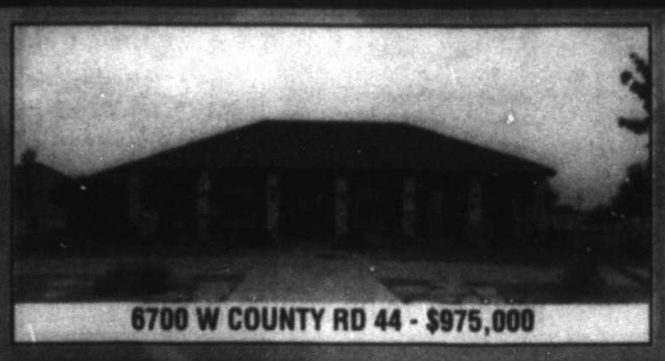
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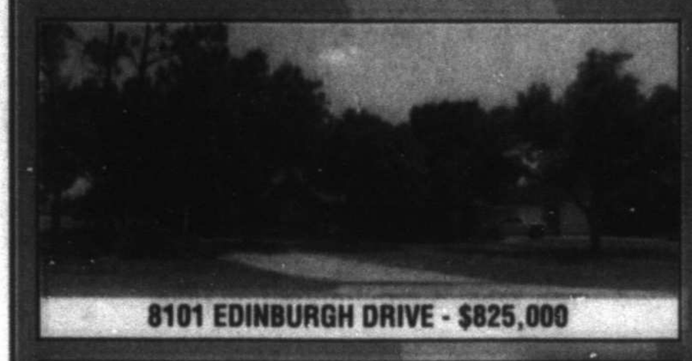
4903 ISLAND DR. - $950,000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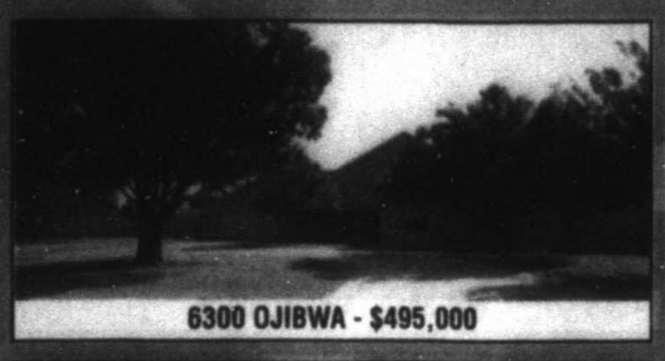
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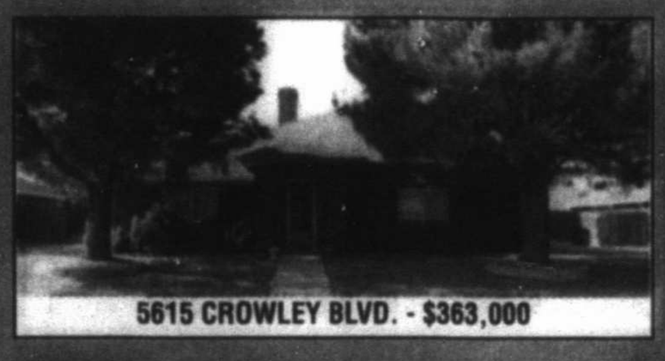
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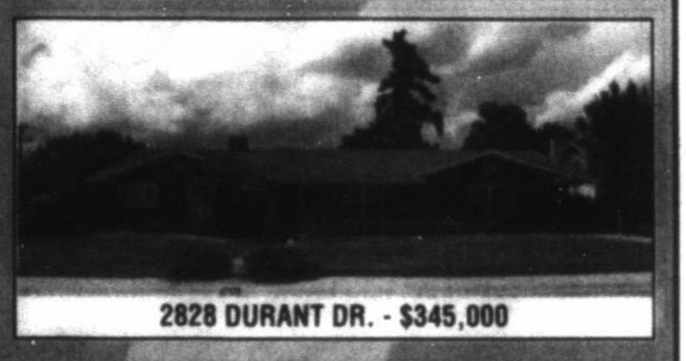
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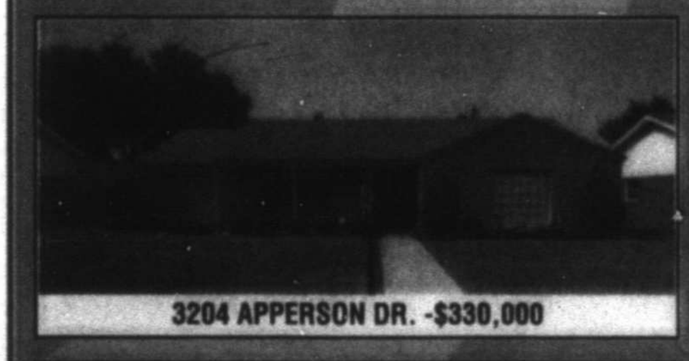
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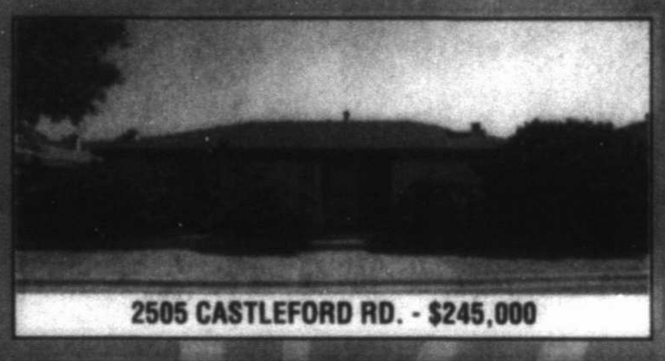
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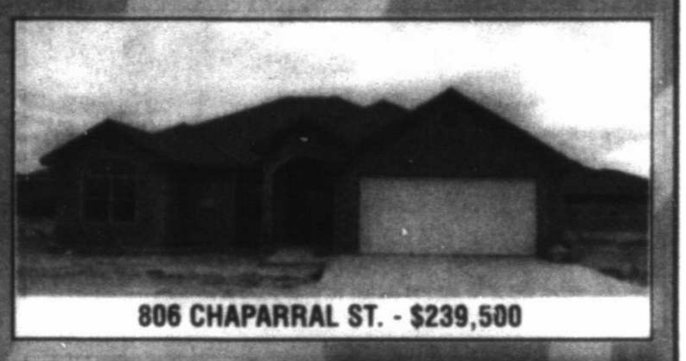
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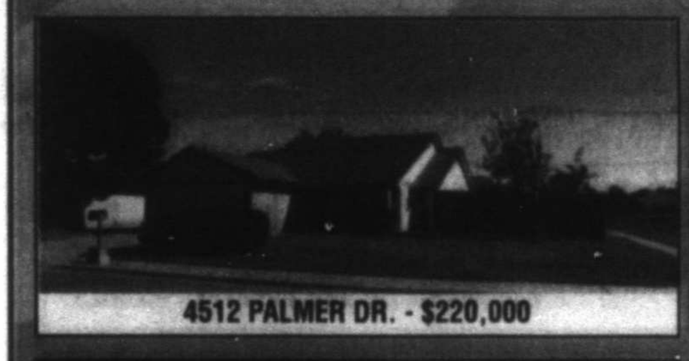
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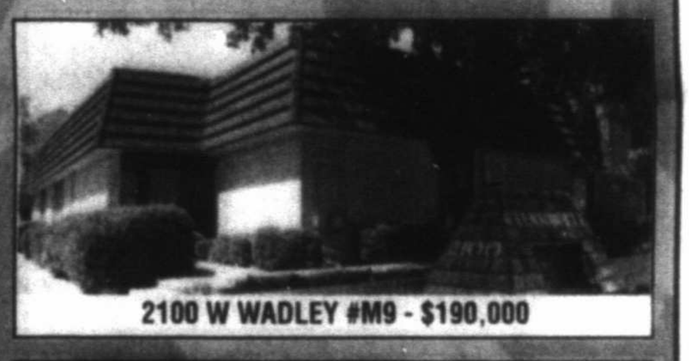
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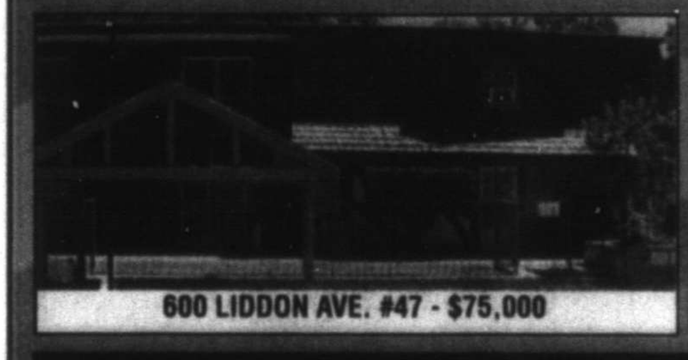
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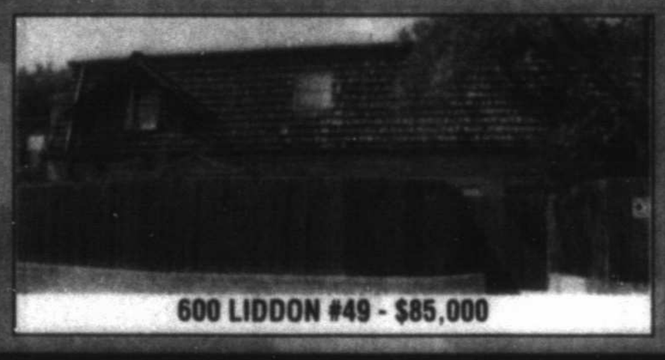
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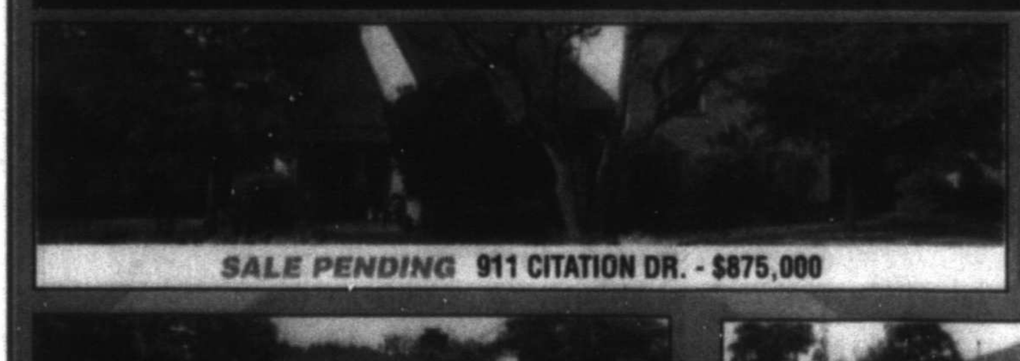
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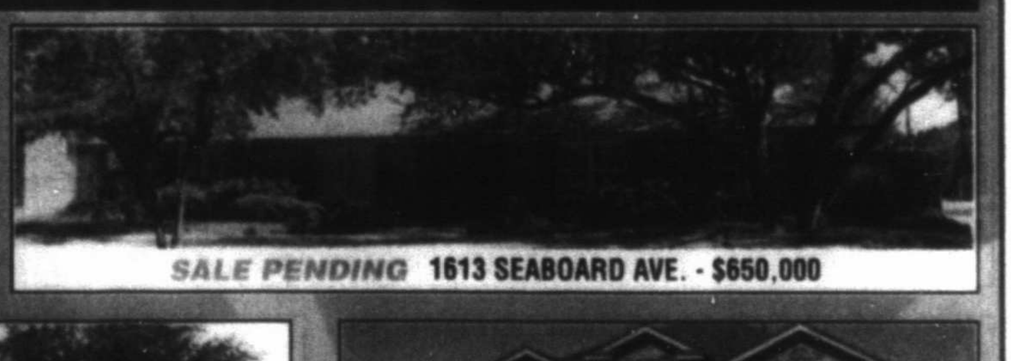
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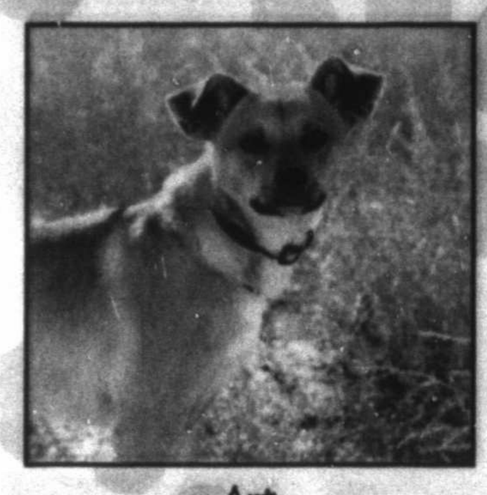

Art
M - Shepherd Mix
2y10m

Banner
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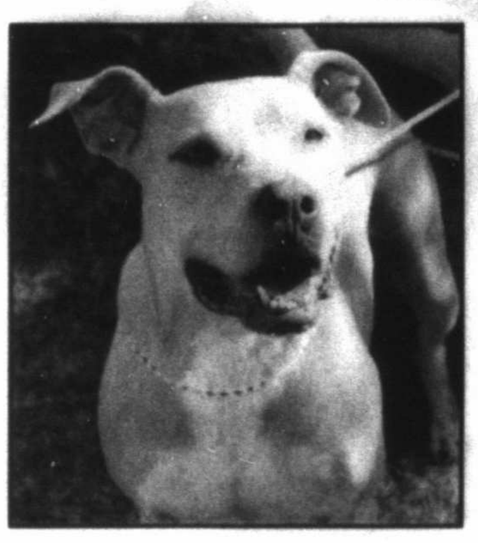
4y11m

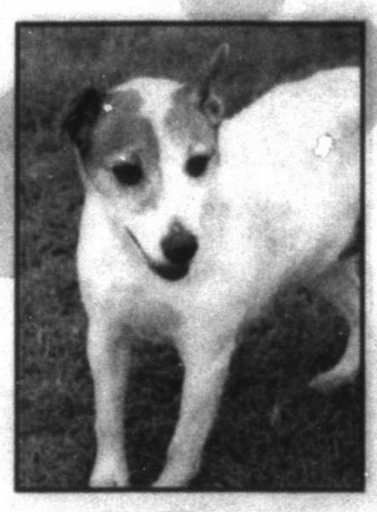
Batgirl
F - Pit Mix
6y10m



Chopper
M - Pit Mix
6y6m

Clementine
F - Mastiff Mix
2y1m

Jessie
M - Chihuahua Mix
3y7m



Kay
F - Rat Terrier Mix
11y6m

Luna
F - Lab Mix
4y8m

Marty
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7m

Mystery
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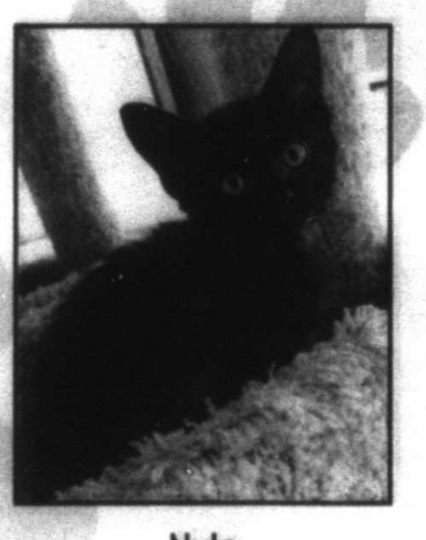

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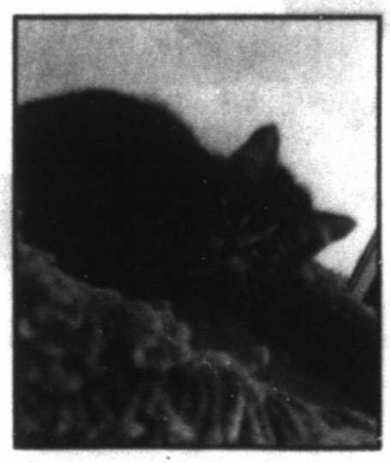

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Snickerdoodle
F - DSH
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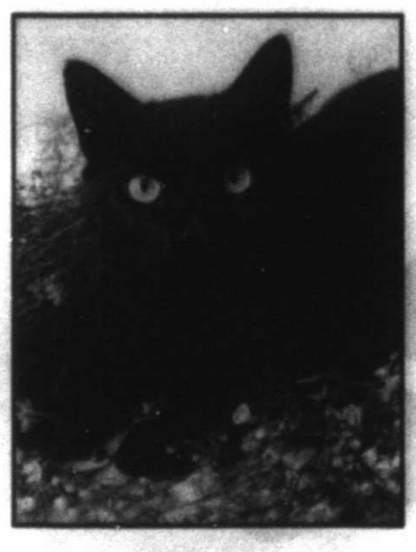

Stanley
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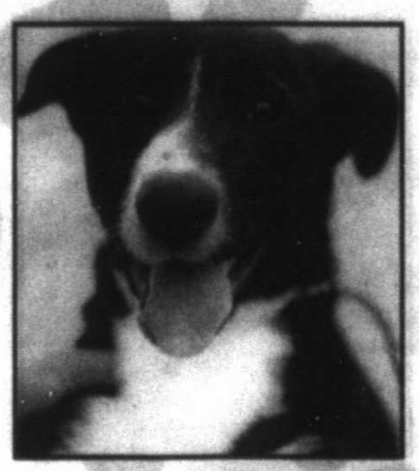

Sylvia
F - Lab Mix
21w

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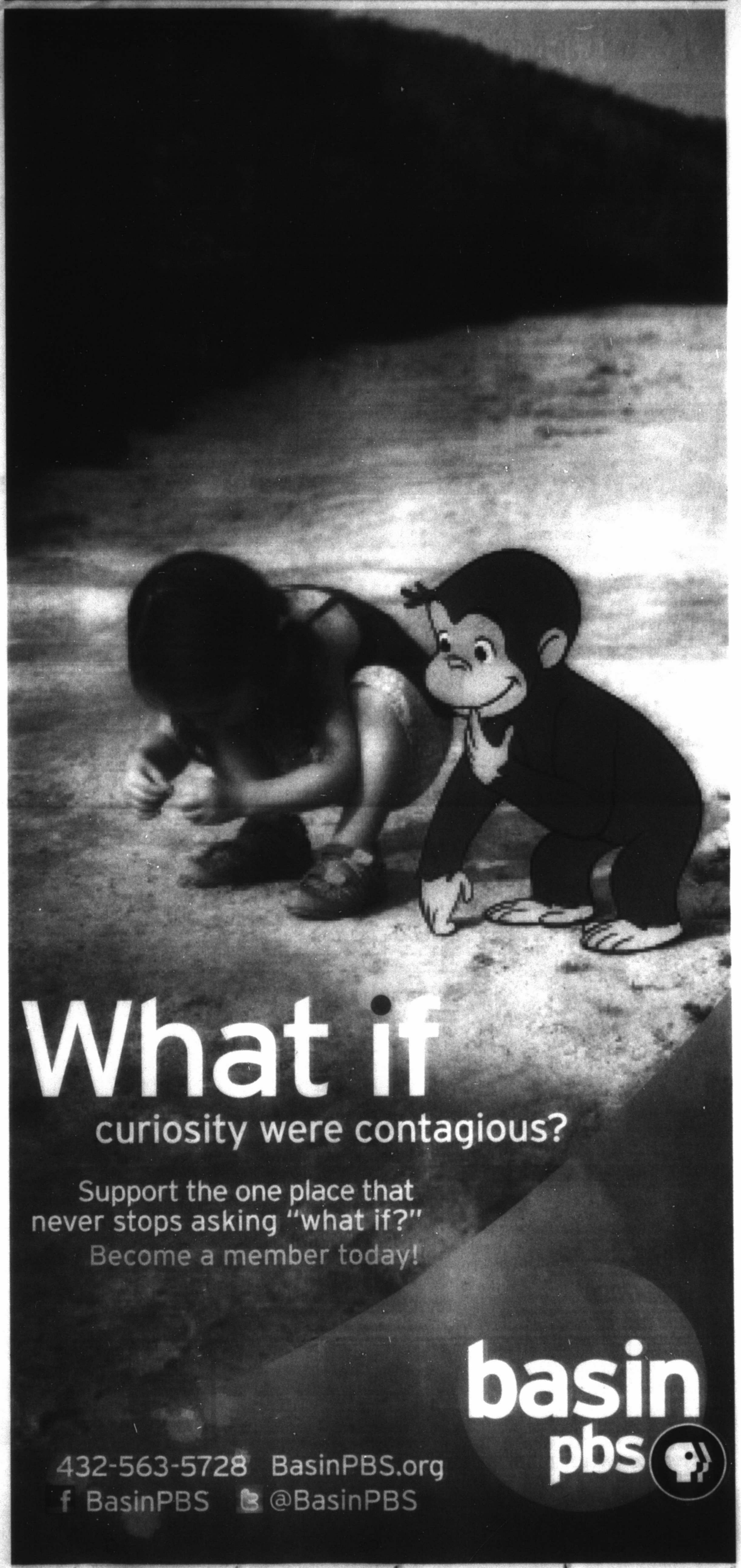
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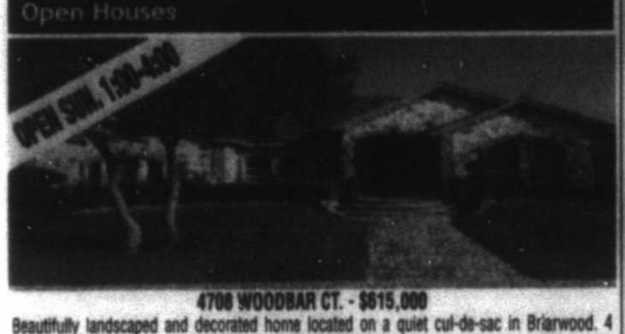

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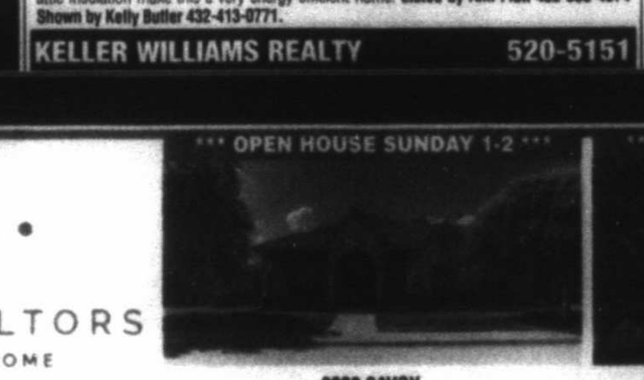
2806 B North Pecos : BIG REDUCTION-Adorable 3/2/2 with RV parking. Huge bedrooms, many walk in closets, a perfect lock and leave . Over 2000 per appraiser ..... SOLD

Open Houses



3304 FANNIN AVE. - $255,000
Great home located close to schools, restaurants and shopping. The kitchen was recently updated, the hall bath and master bath are almost brand new, some new touches in the third bath, recent flooring in the living area, fresh paint inside and out, recent windows, wall and attic insulation make this a very energy efficient home. **Listed by Ann Flatt 432-638-4074 Shown by Kelly Butler 432-413-8771.**

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FURNISHED ROOM for rent, all utilities paid, TV/cable, W/D, kitchen provided. Must like animals. $700 monthly. Call 432-528-2566 for interview and address.

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Single Family Homes

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BEAUTIFULLY REMODELED 3 bedroom 2 baths, 2 car garage, large backyard, last house sold in 1 day. $169,000. Open house every Sunday 2-4 until sold. 5121 W. Illinois. 432-683-2243

FOR SALE By Owner: 1709 S. Midkiff. Totally remodeled (roof, central unit, windows, bathroom, floors, kitchen), spacious 2BR, walking closets, utility room, carport, storage shed; private road, 1 acre, water well, designated commercial/ residential, easy access to I20. $185,000 no owner finance. 432-488-9091

NICE FULL brick, 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. 904 N. 9th, Lamesa TX. Just reduced to $145,000. Near High School. Handicap accessible. Apx. 2,200 sqft. Large bedrooms w/ walk in closets. Formal living room, den & kitchen combo w/ fireplace, attached 2 car garage & carport. Large storage building in backyard. 806-438-5863.

Residential Sales

Single Family Homes

For Sale By Owner Colorado City Lake Front A Frame Home $110,000; 1407 sq ft, 2 bedroom, lg master w/walkin closet & adjoining bathroom, loft w/outdoor balcony, covered dock w/walkway, on double lot approx 1/2 acre. Call 210-863-1360 or email pcwag@juno.com or khm19u5@yahoo.com

Vacation Resort

TIME SHARE weeks for sale Ruidoso (Crown Point Condos). 3 bedroom, 2 bath furnished condo, week 7 (Ski) & week week 33 (horse race). $3,000 each will be sold separately or together. 432-682-9214

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FOR RENT: Two houses, 5 miles east of Midland on ECR-55 in Greenwood ISD.
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A lease on all or part of this property requires prepayment of 1st and last month's rent in advance, deposit fee, and a one-year lease. No smoking inside, no indoor pets. For more information call Carter 432-296-3659 or 432-296-9030

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Acreage

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GREAT INVESTMENT! Mitchell county 160 acres irrigated farm. Valley Center Pivot with 600 gallon per minute water well. Included in current USGS wolf camp study, released Nov. 15, 2016. 325-242-0771 or 214-335-9015.

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*** OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 1-2 ***

2808 SAVOY
Absolutely Gorgeous custom Bemal home with tones of open space! It's been lived in gently and is ready for you to move in! Large Beautiful tile throughout this home. Stunning granite and a kitchen island for the chef in you! Large Sequestered master for privacy with a stunning bathroom that features privacy glass to let in natural light. Don't miss out on this one in a fantastic neighborhood!
Holly Cohen 638-3090

*** OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 2-3 ***

2802 CHELSEA PLACE
Beautiful Bemal custom built, one owner home with all the bells and whistles including decorator paint! This home has a gorgeous rock wall in the kitchen and designer paint throughout. Pool is in its own side yard and you will still have a HUGE back yard and an enormous patio for entertaining in style! If you need a man cave, check out the GIANT 4 CAR GARAGE!! YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS ONE!
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*** OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 3-4 ***

4007 YEARWOOD
Fabulous Stevens Construction Home on a quiet street! 4br 3 bath and 3 car garage. Gorgeous yard w/patio faces east even has sprinklers! Granite in the Kitchen and Baths. Highly Rated Great house school district. All the bells and whistles, added insulation, crown molding, tile everywhere, built in bookcases, high ceilings, plantation shutters. This won't last!
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5418 BASSWOOD - $625,000
Astounding view. Astounding home. This is a dream. New roof, windows replaced, new paint, appliances replaced, new countertops, emergency generator, water well, fabulous back yard, wonderful patio, sequestered master with 2 closets, big rooms, wet bar, high ceilings and it all just goes on and on and on and on. You simply will not believe what is here when you walk through the door. Jaw dropping.
Shown by Deborah Pierce 432-889-2489

OPEN TODAY 1:00-2:00PM

4400 TUMBLEWEED - $439,000
3.1 acres, Santa Fe influenced home. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 3 car garage. Huge horse barn. Stalls. Tack room. Workshop. 4 corrals and stalls with water pipe fences. Two good water wells. Huge septic. Very very nice property close to town. Trees and a FABULOUS back area with cover. You won't find anything like this at a price like this with a location like this. Don't miss this property.
Shown by Pam Musser 432-349-3075

OPEN TODAY 2:30-3:30PM

2202 CULVER - $235,000
Great home with 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 living, and 2 dining areas. Some new double pane windows and light fixtures. Cozy fireplace in living area. Sunroom not included in sq.Footage. Nicely landscaped front and back yards. Great location in established neighborhood walking distance to Midland Christian School. Seller offering $1500 painting allowance with acceptable offer.
Shown by Pam Musser 432-349-3075

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SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES & FEATURED HOMES

OPEN TODAY 3:30-4:30

4409 ECR 63
4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home with pool in backyard, cabana & changing room all on approx 2.5 acres! Open floor plan, cooks gourmet kitchen, sequestered master. Sizzed concrete floors, 2nd master possible. 3500 sqft detached shop! Mega deal!!
$899,900

OPEN TODAY 1:30-2:30

3209 Harmon Dr
4 bedroom/3 bath/2 Living area home! So many updates: windows, HVAC, Mohawk carpet, paint, aluminum siding, gutters! On large corner lot! Enclosed patio with A/C, gas fireplace, plantation shutters, tiled floors! 4 huge bedrooms w/double closets! Built-ins!
$299,000

OPEN TODAY 2:00-3:00

4204 Cynthia Dr
4 bedroom, 2 bath w/beautiful custom in-ground pool with waterfall! Den w/vaulted hinged cedar beams with great views to pool! Nice sized main living with fireplace! Gorgeous remodeled kitchen! Terrific sharp w/overhead garage door!
$405,000

OPEN TODAY 2:00-3:00

709 Old Course Rd
2-story Townhome in Old Course Estates! 3 bedroom 2 and 1/2 baths with 2-car rear entry garage. Beautiful granite in kitchen & bathrooms. All tile flooring downstairs! Stainless steel appliances & open kitchen. End unit w/low maintenance outdoor living space!
$283,500

OPEN TODAY 2:00-4:00

1303 Godfrey St
Move-in ready townhouse w/lots of updates! Granite in kitchen, stainless steel appliances, open floorplan! High ceilings in the living room w/gorgeous fireplace and wet bar. Bedrooms are HUGE - master upstairs, 2nd bedroom downstairs.
$235,000

STUNNING!!

2909 Chelsea Pl
4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 2-car garage, w/extra outside parking! Drive-up appeal! Stone fireplace, 2-way gliding treatment in formal dining room! Plantation shutters, beautiful flooring! Outside kitchen w/sink & drive area! Water well for yard only!
$469,000

CHARMING!!

4302 Tanner Dr
Darling 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 4 totally updated throughout! New 6-panel doors! Restone kitchen w/granite countertops & stainless appliances. Baths totally redone. Den w/cozy fireplace. 1-car carport, or RV parking!
$199,900

SPECTACULAR!!

4010 Rustic Trail
A "jewel" in Green Tree North with 5 bedrooms/4 full baths/2 1/2 baths, high ceilings, plantation shutters, 2 fireplaces! Travertine flooring, a sparkling 10-ft deep pool! Game room w/kitchen & bath. Water well! Separate potting green! Fish pond!
$1,100,000

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SUNDAY FEATURED HOMES

6300 Ojibwa - $495,000

MLS#R50010715A. Spectacular home with 2 huge shops & all the space you need! Sparkling pool! 4 Bedrooms 2.5 Bathrooms with wide open floor plan! Living area offers wood burning fireplace surrounded by white austin rock opens to kitchen & formal dining area! Beautiful granite counter tops with tons of counter space! Breakfast bar! Stunning master with fireplace has wrap around walk in closet & back room that locks!

4903 Island Dr. - $950,000

MLS#R50010385A. Spectacular home in green tree on #9 north tee box! 4 Bed 3.5 Bath 3 living 2 dining areas & beautiful office! Stunning pool offers 2 fenced off yards! Beautiful kitchen with granite countertops opens to living area over looking backyard! Electric shades in master bedroom & living area! Amazing sequestered master suite offers huge walk in shower, double vanities & split closets! Spacious bedrooms! Upstairs living/gameroom!

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3900 Westminister - $349,900

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Gorgeous 4 Bed, 3 Bath, 2 Dining, Oversized 2 Car, 2,810sqft Built 1981 but Gorgeously updated throughout! Great Kitchen w/Island, Granite, SS, Big Pantry & Pretty Backsplash. Bonus Formal Dining, Office w/ Built Ins off of Kitchen & large Utility features Built Ins & Sink. Dreamy Updated Sequestered Master Suite includes Large WIC, Dual Sinks, Vanity, Separate Tiled Walk In Shower & Claw Foot Tub!!! All Bedrooms have Big Closets. Lovely Covered Back Patio overlooks Fenced Yard w/Mature Shade Trees & Grass. Fully Landscaped w/Impressive Walk Up. Do not miss this one!

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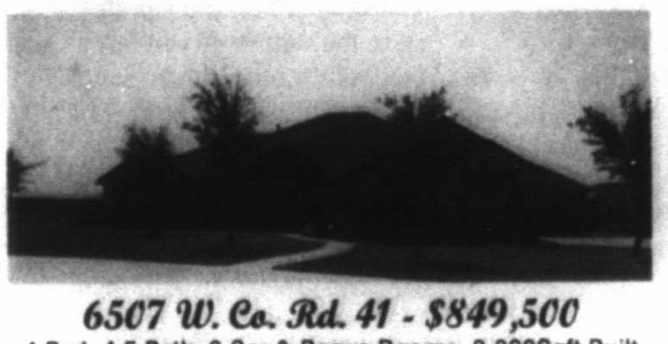
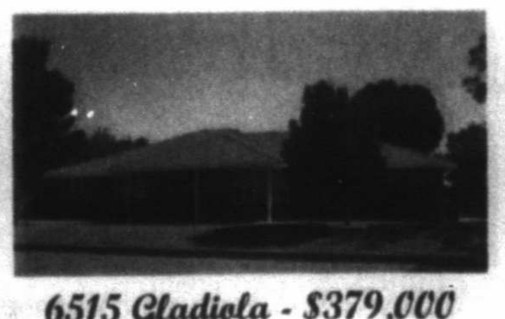


6507 W. Co. Rd. 41 - $849,500
4 Bed, 4.5 Bath, 3 Car & Bonus Rooms. 3,822Sqft Built 2012 On 3.55 Acres Plus 40X60 Shop.

10310 S. Co. Rd. 1210 - $569,500
Huge Hanger/Shop W/Living Quaters On Private Airstrip. 5,672Sqft Built 2008 On 1.21 Acres.

11808 W. Co. Rd. 58 - $420,000
3 Bed, 2.5 Bath, 2 Car & Bonus Room. 2,467Sqft Brand New Build 2017 On 2.5 Acres.

5005 Crista Lane - $419,500
4 Bed, 3 Bath, 3 Car & Bonus Rooms. 2,739Sqft Built 2008 In Desirable Crest Gate Subinline.



6515 Gladiola - $379,000
4 Bed, 3 Bath, Oversized 2 Car & Bonus Rooms. 2,693Sqft Built 1982 On 1.7 Acres With Full Finished Basement.

1004 N. A Street - $274,900
3 Bed, 2 Bath & Bonus Rooms In Desirable Ridgelea Sub. 2,397Sqft Built 1939 & Beautifully Updated Throughout.

7606 E. Co. Rd. 60 - $200,000
4 Bed, 2 Bath Double Wide W/Well, Septic, Ro & Softener. 2,280Sqft Built 2015 On 1.3 Acres in Greenwood ISD.

SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES

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5209 Greathouse - $334,900
4BD/2.5BA
Listed by Ashley St. John

OPEN 1:00-2:30
6702 Vanguard - $305,000
4BD/2BA
Listed by Donna Omar

OPEN 1:00-2:30
409 Mel Ott - $299,600
3BD/2BA
Listed & Shown by Sandy J. Hanson

OPEN 1:00-2:30
3604 Sinclair Ave. - $219,900
3BD/2BA
Listed & Shown by Darla Davis

OPEN 1:30-2:30
2821 Moss Ave. - $279,900
3BD/2.5BA/2LA
Listed by Cheryl Parrish

OPEN 1:30-2:30
4512 Spence - $239,900
Listed by Kim Merrill
Shown by Reece Bivens

OPEN 1:30-2:30
3900 Westminister - $349,900
4BD/3BA
Listed by Tracy Farrow
Shown by Pam Dodd

OPEN 3:00-4:00
2603 Boeing - $210,500
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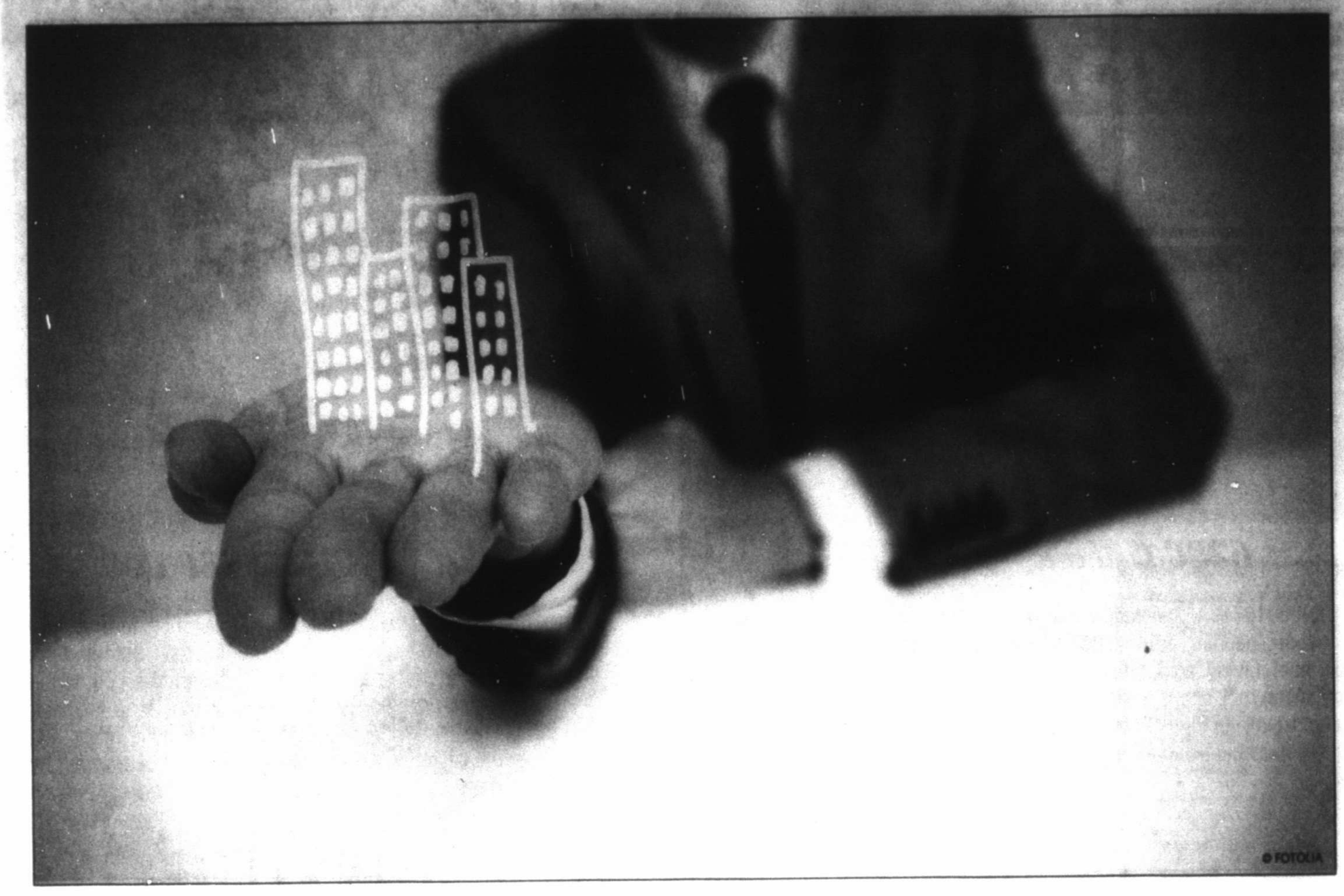

What is a REIT?

By ANNA CHANG-YEN | Green Shoot Media

There are all kinds of places to stash your cash, but one unique investing tool allows you the opportunity to cash in on the real estate market without ever buying property.

REITs, or real estate investment trusts, pool money from various investors to make real estate buys in hopes of beefing up investors' bottom lines.

The National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts defines a REIT as "a company that owns or finances income-producing real estate."

According to the Securities and Exchange Commission, "REITs provide a way for individual investors to earn a share of the income produced through commercial real estate ownership – without actually having to go out and buy commercial real estate." REITs may own many types of properties, such as apartment and office buildings, shopping malls and industrial parks, and may even purchase mortgages or mortgage-backed securities to generate income.

A REIT must pay out 90 percent of its taxable income — usually derived from rent and interest — to shareholders. Like all companies, a REIT has a board of directors who oversee the company's activities.

REITS pooled investor money to cash in on low interest rates following the housing crisis of the mid-2000s. CNBC notes that the MSCI U.S. REIT Index was up 30 percent in 2014, but when interest rates rise, REITS become less attractive to investors because of fears that their profits will suffer and the attractiveness of more predictable financial vehicles, such as bonds.

WHY CHOOSE A REIT

If you have a sum of money you're looking to invest, you might consider buying real estate. Perhaps you've got your eye on a single-family home you intend to rent out at a profit or a cash-generating laundromat or office building. In the same way that mutual funds allow investors to spread their money over several different investments by strategically purchasing stocks, a REIT is a way to invest money in various types of real estate ventures. Instead of putting all your eggs in one basket with an investment that is more susceptible to risk — for example your renters don't pay their rent or your laundromat is put out of business by new competition — you may be able to manage your risks by using that same money to buy into a REIT.

HOW TO INVEST

Some REITS are publicly traded, while some are privately held. If you decide to invest in a REIT, you can do so in the same way you buy stocks or mutual funds. Speak with an investment banker or stock broker about the options available. A privately held REIT will be represented by a specific broker. As with any investment, do your own research about the company's strategies and goals before investing any money.

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REITs to Watch

Forbes Magazine compiled a list of REITS that it expected to grow its dividends the most in 2016. At the top was CubeSmart, an equity REIT focused on the self-storage industry. See Forbes' other predictions for REITS expected to grow their dividends this year at **http://bit.ly/29C3YtH**.

REIT: a company that owns — and typically operates — income-producing real estate or real estate-related assets. A REIT must be an entity that would be taxable as a corporation but for its REIT status; be managed by a board of directors or trustees; have shares that are fully transferable; have a minimum of 100 shareholders after its first year as a REIT; have no more than 50 percent of its shares held by five or fewer individuals during the last half of the taxable year; invest at least 75 percent of its total assets in real estate assets and cash; derive at least 75 percent of its gross income from real estate related sources, including rents from real property and interest on mortgages financing real property; derive at least 95 percent of its gross income from such real estate sources and dividends or interest from any source; and have no more than 25 percent of its assets consist of non-qualifying securities or stock in taxable REIT subsidiaries.

SOURCE: U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission

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  - *648 ac. over 1 mile SOLD creek, blinds, feeders, elevation change, oak $3,550/ac
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2940 FM 829	Near Stanton. 4 bedrooms, 4 baths, 1 half bath, 2 garage, pool	MLS #50008617	UNDER CONTRACT	$550,000
5716 SCR 1214	4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 1 living, 3 car garage	MLS #50009318	SOLD	$445,000
2809 Shanks	4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, on 1.25 Acres	MLS #50007396	UNDER CONTRACT	$359,000
6005 Rio Grande	4 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage	MLS #50010267	SOLD	$357,500
2604 Shandon	4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 living areas	MLS #50010390	UNDER CONTRACT	$334,700
10909 E. Co. Rd. 108	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage + shop	MLS#50010772	UNDER CONTRACT	$310,000
409 Mel Ott	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage	MLS #50010639	NEW LISTING	$299,600
5402 Rio Grande	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage	MLS #50009435	UNDER CONTRACT	$249,900
3214 Ranchland Dr.	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage	MLS #50010266	UNDER CONTRACT	$249,900
811 Lawson	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 living	MLS #50009851	SOLD	$235,000
7001 Xb Ranch Rd.	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1 living, 2 car garage	MLS #50008312	SOLD	$225,500
2603 Boeing Dr.	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage	MLS #50010224	NEW PRICE	$210,500
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3016 SAN PEDRO, ODESSA...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ... MLS #50005362 ... $315,000
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6969 KING RANCH RD, ODESSA...Pam Dodd 413-0780 ... $260,000
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14041 LOYOLA, GARDENDALE...Leah Watkins ... MLS #50002358 ... $189,000
9421 LAMAR AVE., ODESSA...Darla Davis ... MLS #105231 ... $175,000
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812 CORONADO...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ... MLS #100010 ... $160,000
9633 NOTRE DAME...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS #50009540 ... SALE PENDING
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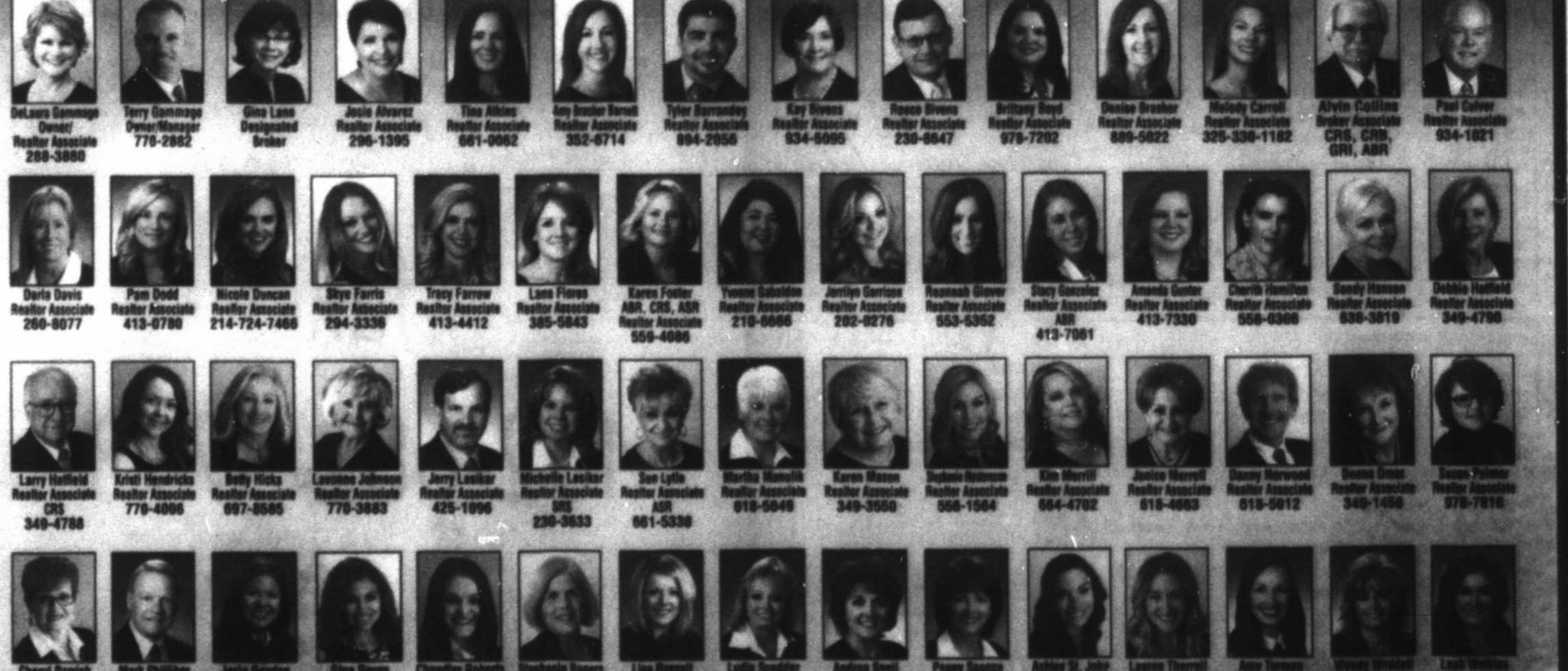

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A slow, determined return to football after Harvey

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

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TOP: Members of the Kingwood High School football team practice Sept. 7 at Turner Stadium in Humble. Damage from Hurricane Harvey to their school forced the Kingwood team to practice 9 miles away at another high school, and its students will attend classes at still another school in the days to come. **ABOVE:** Coach Barry Campbell directs the football team's practice.

HUMBLE — Blake Herrera fidgeted with the crisp, white jersey borrowed from another school before wiping an arm soaked in sweat on football pants that didn't belong to him.

The senior didn't care that the No. 22 across his chest wasn't his and everything he wore was a hodgepodge of items donated from schools wanting to help.

What was important to the bright-eyed 17-year-old was this: His Kingwood High team was back together after flooding from Hurricane Harvey all but destroyed his school and everything in it. And in about 24 hours, he and his teammates would be back under the Friday night lights for a scrimmage that will be among the first of its kind since the storm shut down prep football in the largest city in Texas — a welcome and comforting step forward after scores of games were canceled or postponed in the state that reveres the sport more than any other.

"There was a time when us and our coaching staff thought that we might not play football again," Herrera said. "But then when we got the help from (other) schools ... it really meant a lot to us and really touched our hearts. Because ... it was our life basically and it was sad that it got taken away from us."

While Herrera and the rest of the Kingwood football team returned to practice this week, things are far from normal in an area where thousands of homes were swamped, many beyond repair. The team is practicing nine miles away from the school and Kingwood students will attend classes at still another school beginning on Monday.

"I equated the inside of Kingwood High school to what you see on the Titanic," said Troy Kite, the athletic director for the Humble school district. "You just can't describe the ruins that were in there. It's just impossible. It's like a movie, and yet that movie is now us."

Kingwood is one of the schools hardest hit, but thousands of young athletes are trying to figure out their next move — not just where they might play but whether they will play at all.

The University Interscholastic League, which oversees public school athletics in Texas, created a "Hurricane Harvey waiver" to allow students displaced by the storm to transfer and immediately be eligible for sports.

"This is really the largest disaster we've had to deal with in the state at the UIL level," deputy director Jamey Harrison said. "We have dealt with other storms from Katrina where as a storm we were taking on a number of people that were displaced from Louisiana and other states and then Hurricanes Rita and Ike that impacted less schools and impacted them in a very different way than this one did."

State officials recommended that the more than 2,700 students at Kingwood High simply transfer elsewhere while the school is repaired, Kite said. That would have not only have broken up an entire school, it would have meant none of its teams could play this season.

It was a plan district administrators quickly rejected.

"It really has been a community thing and I think that's the reason that dissolving the school for a year would be absolutely the worst thing," Kite said. "We're aware it would have been the easiest thing for adults to do. Yet that would have been the worst thing for the kids and the community."

Instead, they came up with an unusual plan that has Kingwood's students attending classes at Summer Creek High.

The Summer Creek students will go to school from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. each day, and the Kingwood students will go from about 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. It also means that football is back, too, and just in time for teens eager for its familiar routines among the chaos.

Herrera didn't just lose his school in the flooding. His home is gone, too. He's bunking with a friend while the rest of his family, including his mother who was rescued on a boat by one of his teammates, is living with relatives outside of town.

"I like staying at my friend's house, but it gets old after a while," he said. "I miss my mom. I miss my stepdad. I miss my puppy. I miss a lot."

The uniforms he and others were wearing at practice this week didn't match, and many of their helmets bore the name or logo of other schools.

Kite was among those who fished equipment out of the fetid waters that engulfed the Kingwood locker room. He hadn't had much reason to smile as he worked tirelessly to salvage Kingwood's season.

"As you're pulling all those wet uniforms out, I can't begin to describe how nasty it is," he said. "And you go: 'Dear God, what are we doing?' And ... you want to quit and then you'll see another coach from another school showing up and going in to help us, and you get a second wind, and you keep going."

When Kingwood had its first practice since the storm, he gazed out onto the field, taking in the rainbow of colorful jerseys and all the struggles dissipated for a moment.

"We looked like a bag of Skittles," he said chuckling.

New uniforms were expected to arrive on Friday, but there are no plans to use them during the evening scrimmage that will be held exactly two weeks after Harvey made landfall in Texas. Everyone liked the mixture of colors from all the schools, a tangible representation of how the community came together to help.

"We are going to scrimmage just like this in our borrowed equipment and let our community see what we've been talking about," coach Barry Campbell said.

While Kingwood needed many helping hands to keep its season going, the players who got through the storm safely didn't hesitate to pitch in to help their neighbors.

Kingwood linebacker Aaron Finch said he and his father borrowed a boat and spent time after the storm rescuing people from flooded homes. He estimates that they picked up 50-60 people.

"It was heartbreaking," he said. "Me and my dad saved a 5-day-old baby and a mom that had a C-section, and it was really sad for them to get in the boat."

Wanting to see how their school looked, Finch, Herrera and another teammate were on a jet ski when they saw a deer struggling to swim in water up to its neck.

"It wouldn't have lived if we wouldn't have helped it," Finch said, fighting back tears. "He was so tired and so exhausted that he didn't care what happened ... so we did what we could and helped him to safety."

For now, the thought of being on the field in front of their families, friends and fans was a welcome distraction.

"Friday night lights is an exciting thing in Texas ... (and) I think our football team can be a rallying point in the recovery process," Campbell said. "People have been working for over a week, working their nails to the bone, their fingers to the bone. They're sore and they still have a lot of work to do. I think our team can allow a little outlet, a little normalcy, a little release, a little fun."

It's already given Herrera a small slice of what his life was like before the storm.

"When you come out here it kind of eases my mind," he said. "It feels really good out here."

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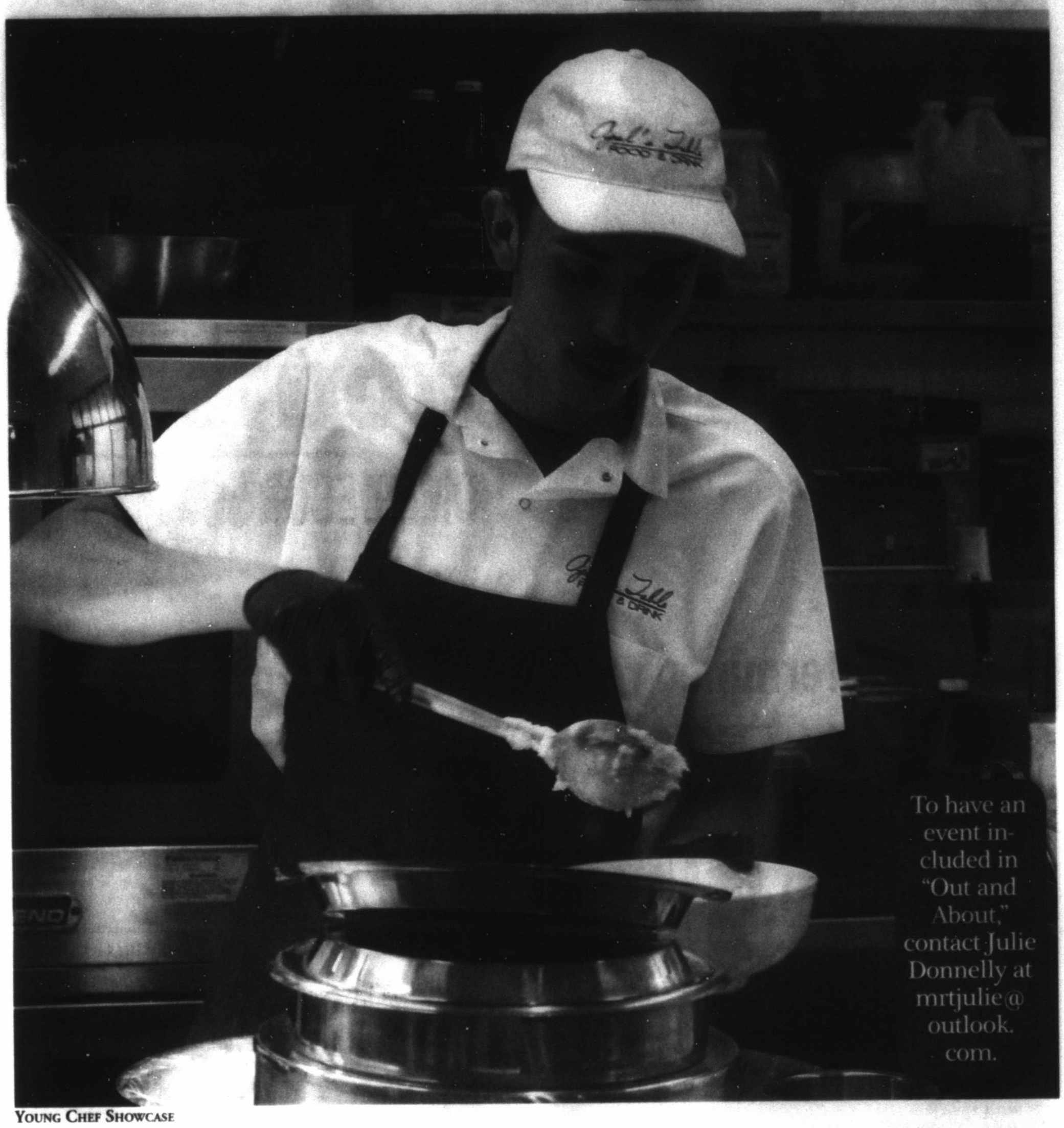

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Jesus Lozeno, from left, Devin Felarve, Chef Chip Hight, Zachary Breaux

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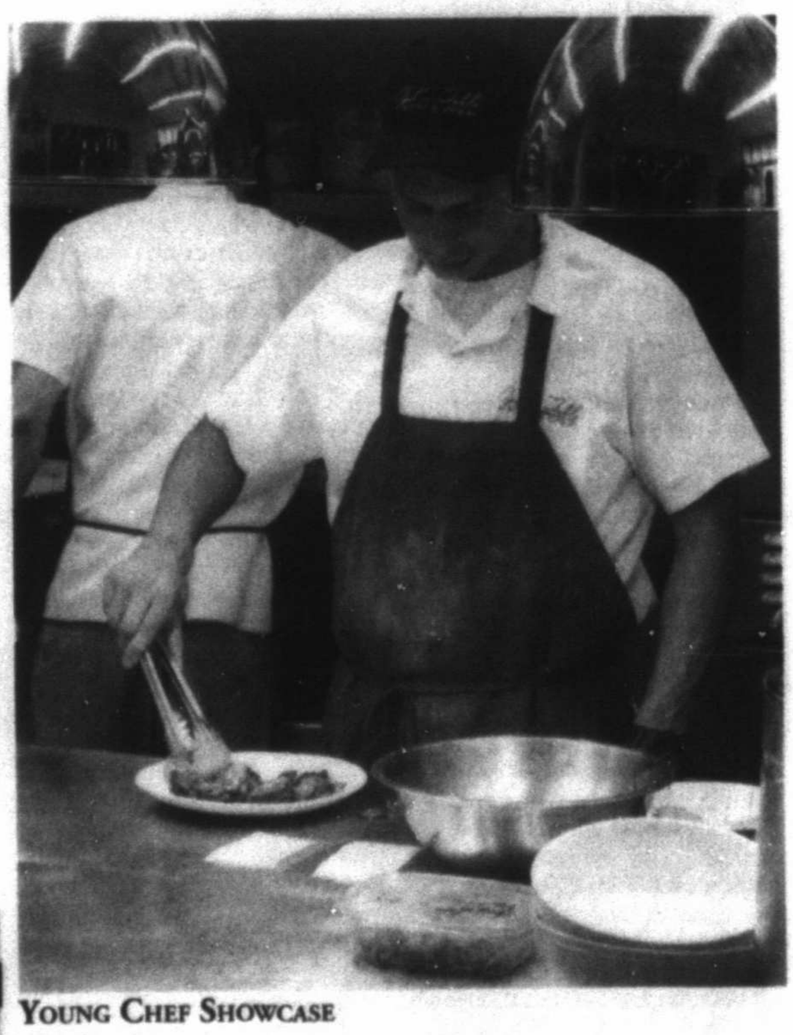
Zachary Breaux, from left, Patsy Wallis, Jesus Lozeno and Devin Felarve



YOUNG CHEF SHOWCASE

Devin Felarve

YOUNG CHEFS SHOWCASE THEIR SKILLS

It was the dubbed the "Young Chef Showcase," and the young chefs did not disappoint. Three Midland High School students — Zach Breaux, Devin Felarve and Jesus Lozano — took over the kitchen of Opal's Table, where they currently work, to raise money for the Midland High School Culinary Program, which is led by Patsy Wallis.

Chef Chip Hight let the students feature their skills and showcase their creativity for the fundraiser. Those in attendance for the dinner chose a bottle of wine from a select menu to pair with their meal.

The menu included Caesar salad with cured egg yolk, flaming hot Cheeto chicken, pimento cheese-stuffed jalapeños, shrimp bisque, roasted cornish game hen with local vegetables, heritage duroc pork tamale with green tomato salsa, West Texas peanut mousse with chocolate and ice cream with kajari melon purée.

ECLIPSE VIEWING

Azariyah Shaw, back left, and Pam Howard; and Amirykal Shaw, front left, and Brayli Gasaway

CROWD VIEWS ECLIPSE AT MCPL

Hundreds of Midlanders showed up at the Midland Country Public Library Centennial branch to get a safe glimpse of the solar eclipse that captivated the nation on Aug. 21. Famihes were lined up outside the library doors before opening time hoping to get a pair of solar glasses in order to view the eclipse outside.

Families also came to view a live stream of the eclipse that was shown inside the library. Throughout the day, kids made arts and crafts related to the eclipse — such as a sun-and-moon spinner and a homemade eclipse viewer made out of a cereal box and foil.

Courtesy photo

Mack Harrison, from left, Anne Cloninger, Marilyn Harrison, Roseann Herndon and Harty Harrison

MIDLANDERS VIEW ECLIPSE IN NEBRASKA

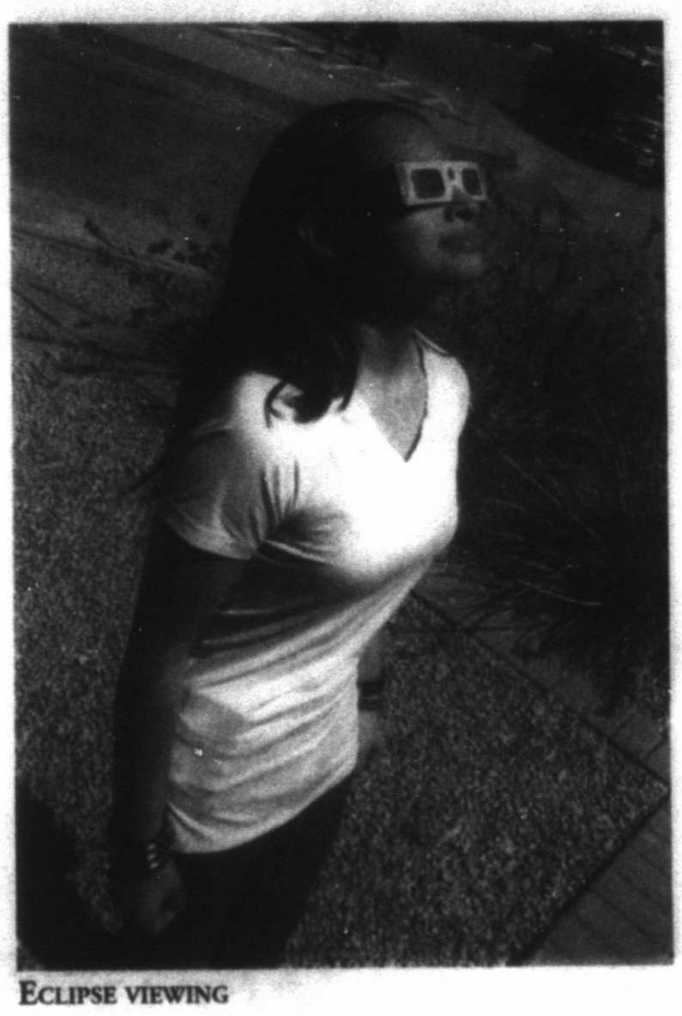
My husband, Harry, and I and our son, Mack, and his wife, Monica, felt like the proverbial "storm chasers" when we set out to find the perfect viewing spot for the solar eclipse. Our original destination was St. Joseph, Missouri, with hotel reservations in nearby Leavenworth, Kansas, the night before. As we approached the city, we realized our reservation had been booked in Leavenworth, Washington, by mistake.

After frantic phone calls, we soon learned there weren't any rooms available. We decided to head back to Manhattan, Kansas, — where we probably got the last two available rooms — and go north from there.

Beatrice, Nebraska, was a good choice. The clouds parted at just the right time, and we were able to view the eclipse in its entirety.

En route we enjoyed visits with friends in El Dorado, Kansas, and relatives in Wichita, Kansas. We also had the pleasure of dining with former Midlanders and longtime friends Roseann Herndon and her children, Cole Herndon and Anne Cloninger, in Oklahoma City.

— Marilyn Harrison



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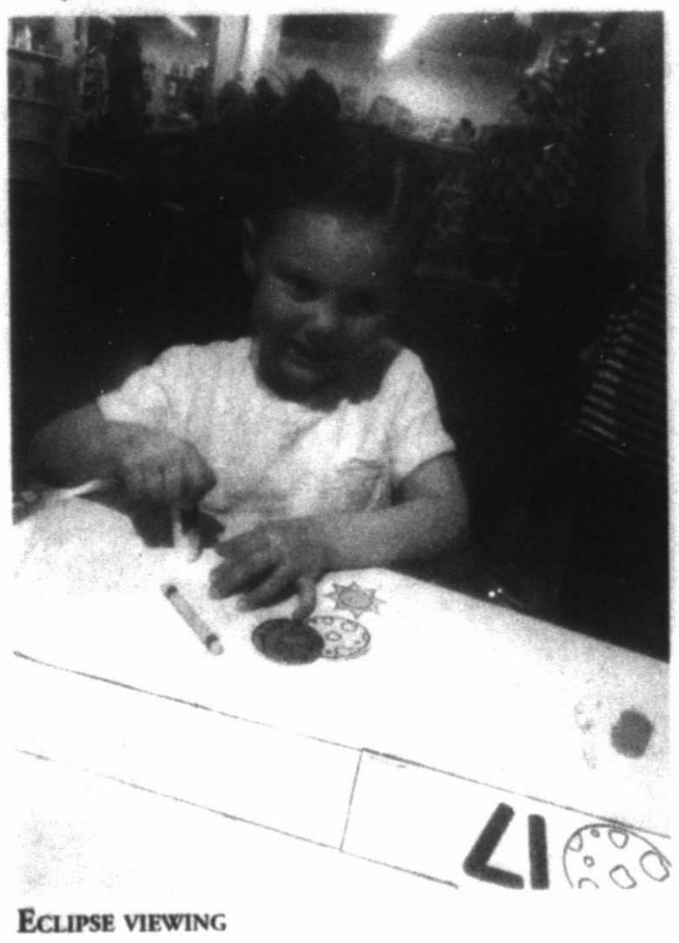
Evelyn Martinez



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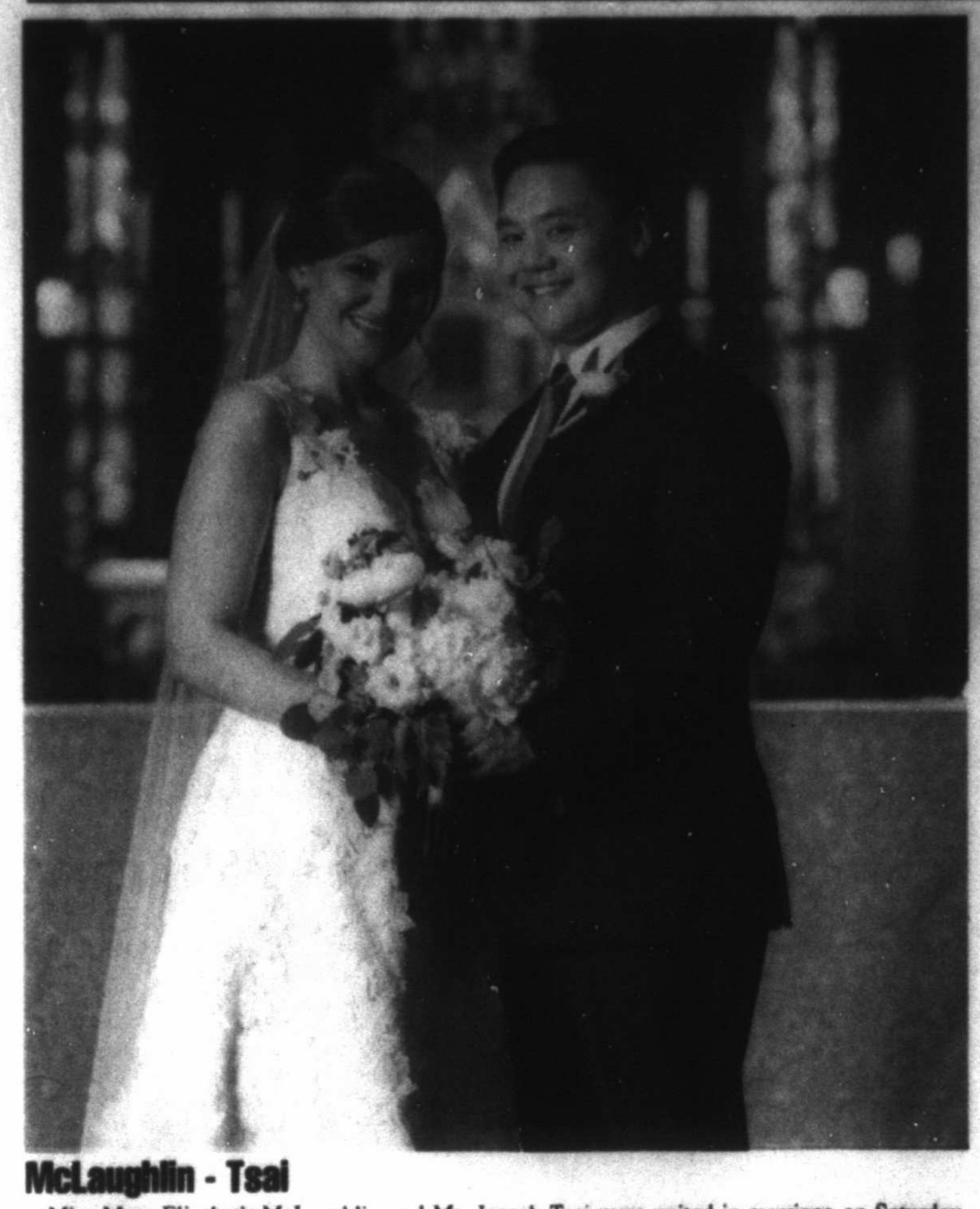

McLaughlin - Tsai

Miss Mary Elizabeth McLaughlin and Mr. Joseph Tsai were united in marriage on Saturday, April 29, 2017, at eleven o'clock in the morning at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart on the campus of the University of Notre Dame in Notre Dame, Indiana. The sacrament of holy matrimony was celebrated by Rev. Mark Thesing, C.S.C., the rector of the groom's residence hall during his time at Notre Dame. Following the service, the bride's parents hosted a wedding brunch at Smith Ballroom at Morris Inn on the campus of the university. The celebration continued that evening with toasting and dancing to Rod Tuffcurls and the Bench Press of Chicago. On the eve of the wedding, the groom's mother hosted a dinner in the couple's honor at LaSalle Grille in South Bend, Indiana.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Gael McLaughlin of Midland, Texas. The groom is the son of Mrs. Lydia Tsai of Vernon Hills, Illinois, and the late An Hua Tsai.

Serving as matrons of honor were Jessica Kimmet of South Bend, Indiana, and Whitney Young of Newark, New Jersey. Serving as bridesmaids were Stephanie Bernardin of Denver, Colorado; Callie Feagan of San Diego, California; Eve Gutman, sister-in-law of the bride, of Brooklyn, New York; Eleanor Hewett, cousin of the bride, of Midland, Texas; and Kristin McLaughlin, sister-in-law of the bride, of Dallas, Texas. Betsy McLaughlin, niece of the bride, of Dallas, Texas, served as flower girl.

Serving as best man was George Tsui of Vancouver, Washington, cousin of the groom. Groomsmen were Tony Cunningham of South Bend, Indiana; Michael Lapham of Denver, Colorado; Andrew McLaughlin, brother of the bride, of Dallas, Texas; Evan McLaughlin, brother of the bride, of Brooklyn, New York; Juan Muldoon of Chicago, Illinois; and Daniel Shaevel of Chicago, Illinois. Ushers were David Hewett, cousin of the bride, of Los Angeles, California; James Sollitto of Chicago, Illinois; Donald Taynor of Columbus, Ohio; and Matthew Townsend of Washington, D.C. Theo McLaughlin, nephew of the bride, of Brooklyn, New York, served as ring bearer.

The University of Notre Dame Folk Choir provided the music for the service. Joseph Edmonds of Chicago, Illinois, was violin soloist, and Martha Calcutt of Brooklyn, New York, was the Cantor. Jordan Person Kenna of New York, New York, was Psalmist.

Mary is a 2005 graduate of Trinity School of Midland and a 2009 graduate of the University of Notre Dame with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Finance. She was a member of the Notre Dame Folk Choir and PEMCO Theater Company. She is a Senior Manager in Internal Audit for Ernst & Young. Joe is a 2005 graduate of Vernon Hills High School and a 2009 graduate of the University of Notre Dame with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Information Technology Management and a masters in education in 2011. He was team captain for the Notre Dame cheerleading squad and served for two years as a teacher in New Orleans for the Alliance for Catholic Education. He is a Manager in IT Advisory for Ernst & Young. The couple resides in Chicago, Illinois.

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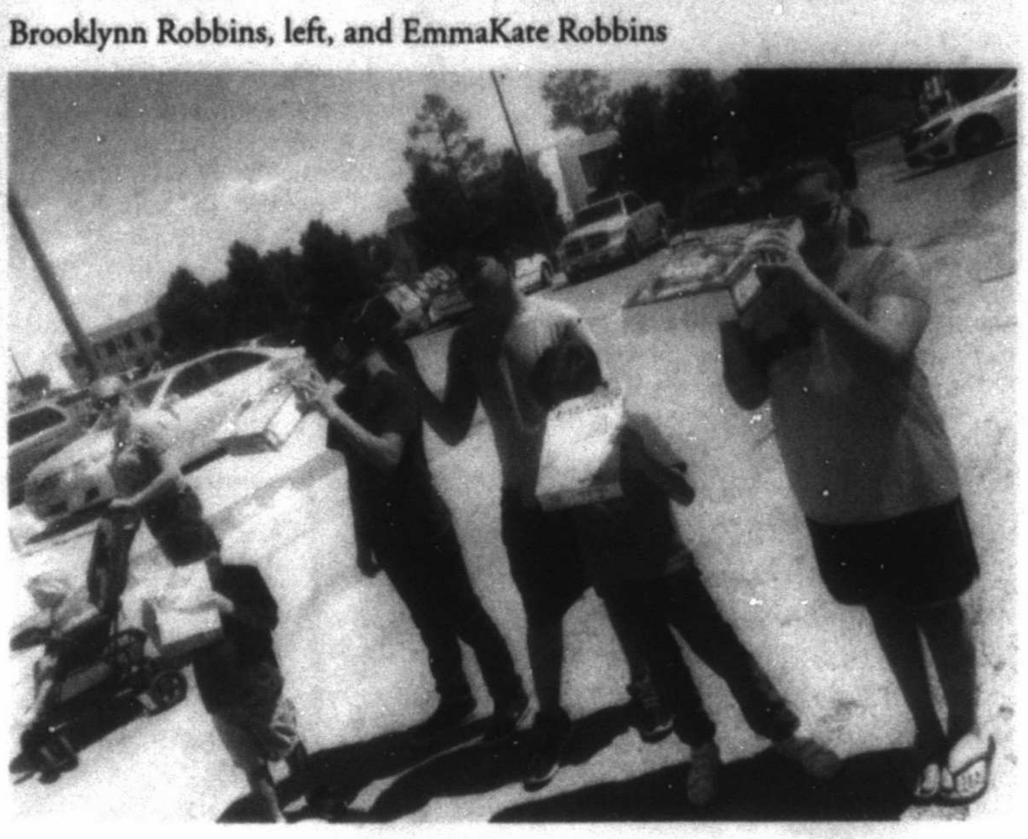
Brooklynn Robbins, left, and EmmaKate Robbins



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Aaron Gutierrez, from left, Mike Gutierrez, Ethan Olivas, Dante Olivas and Camila Olivas

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Melissa Armendariz, left, and Ariel Armendariz

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Parish-Buzan, Doreen-Brookins, Hudson-Keys, McLane-Yee, Harris-Higgins, Jackson-Sewell, Brooks-Brooks, Baird-Blair

SEPT. 8

Curry-Blumentritt, Debbie Conly-KC Evans, Buzan-Higgins, Bonnie Hubbard-Janet Stoltz, Brooks-Brooks

SEPT. 9

Morning

Marilyn Matthews-Brookins, Servatius-Grimes, Bob Bacon-Curry, Brenda Leonard-Patti Witt, Betty Moore-Buzan

Evans-Conly, Lena Nichols-Blumentritt, Scott Vaughan-Baggett, Jackson-Sewell

Afternoon

Conly-Evans, Servatius-Grimes, Jackson-Sewell, Nichols-Blumentritt, Leonard-Witt, Baggett-Vaughan

Joan LaFond-Beverly Taylor, Shirley Davenport-LaDoyce Lambert, Curry-Bacon, Matthews-Brookins, Moore-Buzan

Conly-Evans, Servatius-Grimes, Matthews-Brookins, Jackson-Sewell-Curry-Bacon, Moore-Buzan, LaFond-Taylor

GOREN BRIDGE

With Bob Jones

More bad luck

East-West vulnerable, South deals

NORTH
♠ 9 6 4 3
♡ A K 8 7 5
◇ A K
♣ K Q

WEST
♠ Void
♡ Q 10 9 3 2
◇ 10 9 8 2
♣ 8 5 4 2

EAST
♠ A 8 7 5
♡ 4
◇ Q 7 6 3
♣ J 10 9 6

SOUTH
♠ K Q J 10 2
♡ J 6
◇ J 5 4
♣ A 7 3

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♠	Pass	2♡	Pass
2♠	Pass	4NT	Pass
5◇	Pass	6♠	All pass

Opening lead: Ten of ◇

Things were going well for Hard Luck Louie and he thought he had a good chance to win the club's Saturday night duplicate. Louie won the opening diamond lead in dummy and led a low spade to his king as East ducked. He crossed back to dummy with a diamond and led another spade, again ducked by East. Louie ruffed his last diamond with the nine of spades and led dummy's last trump. East stepped up with his ace and led a club to dummy's king. Louie needed an entry to his hand in order to draw the last trump. Overtaking the queen of clubs wouldn't help him, so he tried to cash two hearts in order to ruff a heart back to his hand. East ruffed the king of hearts and Louie went down one.

Lucky Larry played the same contract with the same lead. He saw that the only potential problem was bad breaks in both majors so he took some precautions. He cashed dummy's second high diamond before leading a spade to his king. He ruffed a diamond with the nine of spades and led another spade, ducked again by East, to his queen. Larry now led a club to the king, cashed the queen of clubs and the ace of hearts, and then led dummy's last spade. East rose with his ace but there was nothing for him to do. Should he lead either minor, Larry would win in his hand and draw the last trump. If he had a heart to lead, that would have put Larry safely in the dummy to ruff a heart. Making six!

ECLIPSE VIEWING

Jayden Mireles

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This 2017 photo provided by The Culinary Institute of America shows caramel apple tarts in Hyde Park, N.Y. This dish is from a recipe by the CIA.

Be prepared to make pastry cream and caramel. It's tart time

By The Culinary Institute of America

There are two kinds of pastry lovers. The first orders a pastry and savors it in a moment of bliss, oblivious to the world. The second orders a few pastries and enjoys bites of each, acutely attuned to the flavors and textures, as their gears turn and they "figure it out."

Though we all have moments of being both types of people, here at The Culinary Institute of America, we do spend a lot of time trying to "figure it out." As chefs and culinary students, it is impossible to eat a sweet treat without analyzing its components. Not out of judgment (because we definitely know how to enjoy a decadent pastry) but for inspiration.

Very often, a professional dessert contains easy-to-prepare ingredients using professional tools and equipment. That gives us unique shapes, towering heights, and finished products that are difficult to replicate in the home kitchen. The small tart pans used to create the base of this dessert can be hard to find and expensive to buy, so we've revised this recipe to be prepared as one large tart in a basic 10-inch tart pan.

Of course, that's not to say that you can't make this caramel-apple tart recipe using individual tart pans, if you'd like. If you find molds like the ones in our photo, you may need more tart dough to make eight or 10 portions, because they're so deep. In that case, you'll probably want to double your tart dough and pastry cream recipes, just to make sure you have enough.

Pastry cream is one of the most common professional pastry components, so you'll be happy to master the technique. Chef Melissa Walnock says, "Pastry cream is simple but easy to overcook. Once you have combined your liaison of eggs, sugar and cornstarch with your hot dairy, you need to cook it on low while whisking constantly to make sure your eggs don't overcook." If you don't nail this the first time, you're not alone. Just pass the mixture through a strainer or cheese cloth to remove those lumps.

You'll be making caramel twice in this recipe, and by the end, you may feel like an old pro. We added a little water to the method here, which is Caramel 101. It takes a little longer than starting with dry sugar, but it helps keep the sugar from burning. The amount doesn't matter much — just add enough so it's like wet sand. If you add too much, no big deal. It just takes a bit longer to cook because the objective is to evaporate all of the water. You can share that little behind-the-scenes nugget with your friends when they ask you where you bought this very professional tart

CARAMEL APPLE TART

Servings: 10
Start to finish: 2 hours 45 minutes
(Active time: 45 minutes)

- Vanilla tart dough (see recipe)
- Caramel pastry cream (see recipe)
- 4 prepared oatmeal cookies, crumbled
- 1 teaspoon confectioners' sugar, or as needed
- Caramelized Apples (see recipe)

Preheat the oven to 400 F. Prepare vanilla tart dough and, once well-chilled, remove from the refrigerator to soften slightly, about 10 minutes. On a lightly floured surface, roll the dough to about 1/4-inch thick, then transfer it to a 10-inch tart pan. Gently press the dough into the pan (the dough is fragile, but any cracks or tears can be pressed back together or patched with excess dough), and trim the edges. Use a fork to prick the dough all over, then refrigerate for at least 1 hour, or up to overnight.

Line the chilled crust with lightly oiled parchment and fill with pie weights or dried beans. Partially blind bake the crust until it is a matte, pale golden color, 15 to 20 minutes. Lower the oven temperature to 350 F. Remove the weights and parchment and bake until lightly browned, about 10 minutes more. Remove the crust from the oven and place it on a rack until completely cooled.

Transfer the cooled pastry cream to a bowl and beat it with a wooden spoon until it is creamy, about 1 minute. Fill the cooled pan with the pastry cream and spread it using an offset spatula.

In a small bowl, toss the oatmeal cookie pieces in the confectioners' sugar until lightly coated. Set aside.

Arrange the apple pieces, allowing excess syrup to drip off as you go, onto the top of the tart until the cream is completely covered. Sprinkle with oatmeal cookie pieces and serve at once.

VANILLA TART DOUGH

- Makes 1 disc, enough for one 10-inch tart
- 1/2 cup (1 stick) unsalted butter, softened
- 1/2 cup confectioners' sugar, sifted
- 1 egg
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt

In the bowl of a stand mixer fitted with the paddle attachment, combine the butter and sugar. With the mixer on low speed, cream together the butter and sugar until well combined, 4 to 5 minutes. Raise the mixer speed to medium and mix, scraping down the sides of the bowl as necessary, until the mixture is well combined and light in color, about 5 minutes.

In a small bowl, whisk together the egg and vanilla. With the mixer on medium speed, gradually add the egg mixture to the butter mixture and mix, scraping down the sides of the bowl as necessary, until the mixture is smooth and well blended, 3 to 4 minutes.

Turn off the mixer and add the flour, cornstarch, and salt all at once. Pulse the mixer until the dry ingredients are moistened and then mix on low speed for 1 minute, or until just combined. Do not overmix.

Turn the dough out onto a lightly floured work surface. Shape the dough into a 5- to 6-inch disc and wrap it tightly in plastic wrap. Refrigerate for at least 1 hour, or preferably overnight, until firm.

CARAMEL PASTRY CREAM
Servings: 10

- 1/2 cup sugar, divided use
- 2 cups milk, warmed, divided use
- Pinch of kosher salt
- 3 tablespoons cornstarch
- 3 large eggs
- 1 tablespoon unsalted butter

Place 1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons of the sugar in a medium saucepan with tall sides. Add just enough water to make a sandy consistency, about 3 tablespoons. In a medium heat-safe bowl, combine the remaining 2 tablespoons of sugar, 1/3 cup of milk, salt, cornstarch, and eggs, and whisk to combine. Set aside. Line a medium baking dish or rimmed baking sheet with plastic wrap. Set aside.

Bring the sugar-water mixture to a boil over medium heat, stirring constantly until the mixture begins to boil, then cook without stirring until the sugar turns golden brown, about 6 minutes.

Carefully add 1 2/3 cups of the milk, stirring to combine. Be careful, as the mixture will rise in the pan and splatter. Remove from the heat.

Gently pour about 1/4 of the hot milk mixture into the egg mixture, whisking constantly. Whisk in another quarter, then return to the stove. Pour the egg mixture into the pot, whisking constantly.

Over low heat, bring the mixture to a simmer, whisking constantly, until the mixture has thickened considerably, about 3 minutes. Remove from the heat and stir in the butter. Pour the mixture into the prepared baking dish. Cover with plastic wrap directly on the surface of the cream and refrigerate until cooled completely.

CARAMELIZED APPLES
Servings: 10

- 10 to 12 Granny Smith apples, peeled (see note)
- 2 cups sugar
- 1/2 cup apple cider, warmed
- 1 cup corn syrup

Use the small end of a melon baller to create spheres or half-spheres from the apples. Set aside.

In a medium saucepan, combine the sugar and enough water to make it sandy, about 1/3 cup. Bring the sugar-water mixture to a boil over medium heat, stirring constantly until the mixture begins to boil, then cook without stirring until the sugar turns golden brown, about 7 minutes.

Carefully add the apple cider, stirring to combine. Be careful, as the mixture will rise in the pan and splatter.

Add the apple pieces and cook, stirring occasionally, under the apples are tender, but not soft, about 5 minutes. They will continue to cook as they cool, so they should still feel a bit firm. Remove from the heat and add the corn syrup, and stir to combine.

Pour the apple mixture onto a rimmed baking sheet and set aside to cool completely before using.

Chef's note: If you prefer a less dramatic presentation, 6 medium apples will be enough to cover the top of the tart in one even layer.

Nutrition information per serving of tart: 676 calories; 138 calories from fat; 15 g fat (8 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 120 mg cholesterol; 230 mg sodium; 131 g carbohydrate; 6 g fiber; 105 g sugar; 7 g protein.

Nutrition information per serving of dough: 184 calories; 87 calories from fat; 10 g fat (6 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 46 mg cholesterol; 401 mg sodium; 21 g carbohydrate; 1 g fiber; 6 g sugar; 3 g protein.

Nutrition information per serving of pastry cream: 109 calories; 37 calories from fat; 4 g fat (2 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 72 mg cholesterol; 65 mg sodium; 15 g carbohydrate; 0 g fiber; 12 g sugar; 3 g protein.

Nutrition information per serving of caramelized apples: 359 calories; 3 calories from fat; 0 g fat (0 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 0 mg cholesterol; 25 mg sodium; 92 g carbohydrate; 5 g fiber; 85 g sugar; 1 g protein.

Target teams up with HGTV's 'Fixer Upper' hosts Chip and Joanna Gaines

By Kavita Kumar
Star Tribune (Minneapolis)

MINNEAPOLIS — HGTV stars Chip and Joanna Gaines are teaming with Target to roll out a new home and lifestyle brand.

The partnership was announced Tuesday afternoon to more than 12,000 Target employees attending the Minneapolis-based retailer's fall national meeting. The couple behind the show "Fixer Upper" appeared on stage at the employee event to relay the news.

The new brand, Hearth & Hand with Magnolia, will be exclusive to Target. It will launch Nov. 5 and will be a multiple-year partnership unlike Target's limited-time collaborations with celebrities and designers such as Victoria Beckham.

"We've always dreamed of working with a retailer to create a collection that could reach more people at a more affordable price point," Joanna Gaines said in a statement.

Dallas Morning News, via TNA, file photo

Chip and Joanna Gaines, hosts of the HGTV series "Fixer Upper." (HGTV)

The brand is one of a dozen-plus exclusive brands Target will roll out over the next two years as part of its strategy to revive sluggish sales.

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Five-ingredient chicken wings are a crowd-pleasing dinner

By Sara Moulton
Associated Press

At the end of a long fall day — after dealing with all the seasonal demands of work and school — you don't want making dinner to be a big deal. What's called for is something that's idiot-proof and crowd-pleasing.

This recipe for Five-Ingredient Mexican-Style Chicken Wings presents us with everything that makes chicken delicious — skin, bones and meat — in miniature form. And the best part for the home cook is that they require no cutting up or detailed preparation. Season them, toss them in the oven and you're done.

Whole chicken wings consist of three segments: The plump part is called the drumette (because it is a smaller version of the bird's drumstick). The skinny segment is called the flat. And the small aerodynamic part attached to the end of the flat is called the wing tip. Ideally, you'll pick up a package of drumettes at the store and call it a day. But dealing with whole wings is hardly a heavy lift. Just cut through the joint that connects the segments to sever the drumette from the flat. Then snip off the wing tips. (These you can toss or save to use in a stock.)

Here I've gussied up the wings with some Mexican ingredients, starting with chipotle-flavored garlic

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He's wild for nut cake!

HINTS FROM HELOISE
King Features Syndicate

Dear Heloise: You had a recipe for a no-mix cherry-pineapple nut cake that my husband was wild about. I haven't made it in a while, so I'm not sure what all the ingredients are or the amount of butter to use. Please reprint this wonderful recipe so I can make it for my wonderful guy. — Karen P., Kenner, La.

Karen, yes indeed! This always has been one of my favorites, too!

No-mix cherry-pineapple nut cake

- 1 20-ounce can of crushed pineapple in heavy syrup
- 1 21-ounce can of cherry pie filling
- 1 package of yellow cake mix (2-layer size)
- 1 3-ounce can/package of pecans (1 cup), chopped
- 1/2 stick of butter or margarine

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a 9-by-13-inch baking pan. Spread the pineapple with its syrup evenly in the pan. Spoon the cherry pie filling evenly over the pineapple. Sprinkle the dry cake mix evenly over the mixture, then the chopped nuts over all. Slice the chilled butter or margarine into thin slices, then place evenly over the other ingredients. Bake for 50 minutes, or until golden. Serve warm. Makes 12 servings.

If you like this recipe, you'll love my cake recipe pamphlet with many other mouthwatering delights. Just go to Heloise.com to order. Remember to always place your cake pan in the center of the rack, and in the middle of the oven, for an evenly baked cake. — Heloise

DEEP-FRYER DILEMMA

Dear Heloise: Can you please tell me what is the best kind of oil to use for a deep fryer? — Nancy G., Omaha, Neb.

Nancy, first you need to fry foods at a very high temperature in order to keep oil from saturating the food and making it greasy. For the best results, experts in the culinary field suggest peanut oil. Peanut oil has a high smoke point, which means you should deep-fry at about 350-375 degrees. The exception to this is, of course, if someone has an allergy to nuts of any kind. Other recommended oils are coconut oil, avocado oil and palm oil. Since so many vegetable oils are ultraprocessed foods, it's best to avoid them for deep frying. These include corn oil, canola oil, grapeseed oil, sunflower oil, etc. — Heloise

FROZEN MEALS

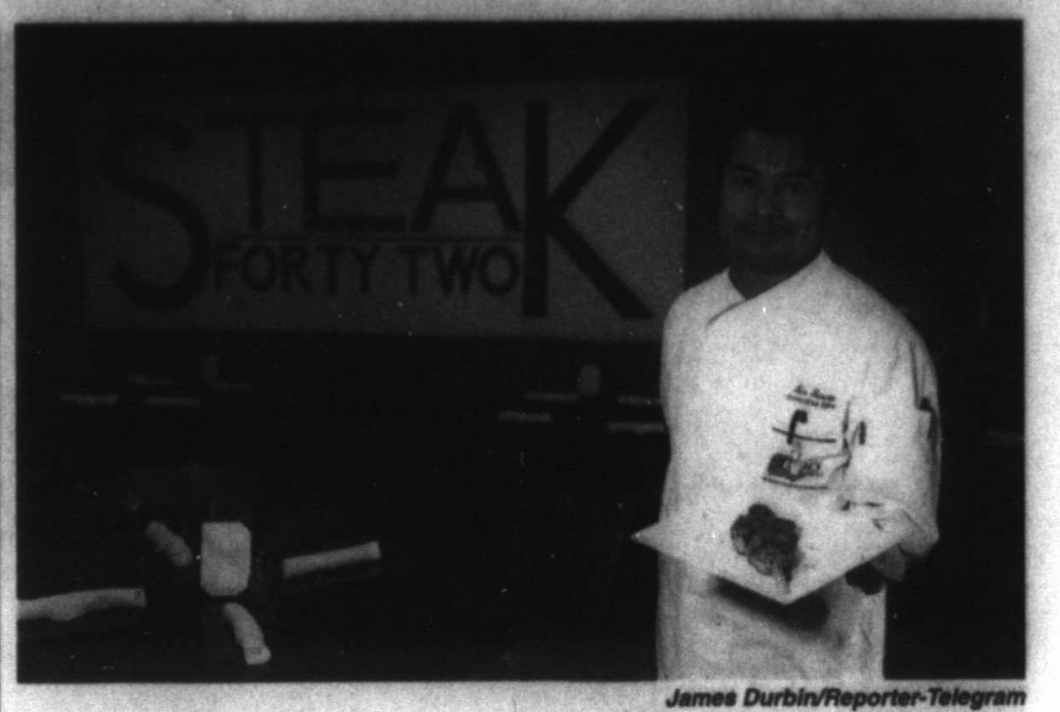
Dear Heloise: To stay on my diet and budget, I make a pot of stew, spaghetti or beans. I spoon a measured amount for one serving (3/4 cup suits me) into a fold-over-top sandwich bag, held open in a glass, and I close it with a bread tie.

Then I scatter the bags around in the freezer to keep them from clumping. As soon as they are frozen, I put them together in a bag or bowl and label it. Low-cost, nutritious, convenient meals! — S.W., Ventura, Calif.

COFFEE SAVER

Dear Heloise: When opening a new can of coffee, I use a fork to puncture the foil. The coffee won't splatter out onto the counter. — Pat P., Youngstown, Ohio

This releases the pressure of the vacuum seal. — Heloise



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Steak 42 is among the participating restaurants for West Texas Food Bank's inaugural Permian Basin Restaurant Week from Sept. 25-30.

Permian Basin Restaurant Week locations announced

By Rich Lopez
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The West Texas Food Bank announced in August that it would host the inaugural Permian Basin Restaurant Week in late September. Area restaurants would feature a special menu for a fixed price. The week would be the culmination of Hunger Action Month events by the food bank.

The list of restaurants was released on Thursday.

"We are excited to announce the first annual Permian Basin Restaurant Week," WTFB's Craig Stoker said. "We have partnered with amazing local restaurants to support the West Texas Food Bank. We encourage everyone to Dine Out for Good during the last week in September."

Restaurants participating in the event from Septl. 25 through Sept. 30 include The Garlic Press, The Legendary Barn Door, Opal's Table, Ray's Italian Bistro, Steak 42, Taco Divino, Venezia and Zucchis Ristorante.

Participating diners will have the option to choose the Permian Basin Restaurant Week Menu at each restaurant from Sept. 25 through Sept. 29. Prix fixe menus will feature three courses (appetizer or salad, entree and dessert) for $35 or $45, depending on the restaurant.

Select menus are expected to be announced at a later date.

For more information, visit wtxfoodbank.org.

Giant milkweed, consider the possibilities

By Norman Winter
Tribune News Service

Chazelle Valtierra/TNS

Author Norman Winter stands by a 5 foot tall giant milkweed with leaves as big as a rubber tree at the Coastal Georgia Botanical Gardens in Savannah.

The phone rang, and a gardener in tearful hysteria was there pleading for me to take her monarch caterpillars as she was totally out of milkweed leaves. At the time we had quite a few plants representing several species, both native and imports. I was shocked however when she brought me a box with 100 plus caterpillars. I went out to the garden and started dispersing caterpillars, one for a small plant two or three for larger plants. Deep down I knew full well we would soon be in trouble. In other words, I would run out of milkweed leaves too.

In the midst of that butterfly dilemma, I remember thinking what we need are larger milkweeds. As winter rolled toward spring, I started trying to buy more native milkweeds. Over 20 species are native to Georgia but finding them for sale can be a daunting task. I did find a wholesale nursery in south Florida selling a plant they called the giant milkweed or crown flower, Calotropis gigantea.

We've been growing it now for three years in Savannah, and I am pleasantly surprised. This year our giant milkweeds are 4 to 5 feet tall with leaves as large as those you would find on a rubber tree. That provides a lot of food opportunity for monarch caterpillars and their cousins the queen and soldier which for some reason always go unmentioned in the butterfly world. They too must have milkweeds to exist.

The giant milkweed is native to India, Malaysia, Indonesia and China. Like me, your first thought is, would our native butterflies lay eggs on them and then would the caterpillars feed on such a large import. The answer is yes. Would the monarchs and queens rather have a native milkweed species? You would think so, and for that reason, we have those too. I have hundreds of plugs of native species coming over the next few months.

But I wonder if a plant, maybe just one, of this enormous, five-foot tall, five-foot wide, giant milkweed with silver foliage and incredibly showy blue and lavender flowers might just have a place in the garden. You see, the monarchs and queen butterflies will use this import as a host plant too. There is enough leaf space to feed all who want to partake. I doubt you will ever tearfully report I ran out of milkweed leaves.

This plant is cold hardy in zones 11-12, and its native region can grow 8 feet wide and 15 feet tall. In Savannah, we have had them return slowly from the previous two winters, but we are always hedging our bets so to speak and rooting cuttings too. This means that more than likely you will be growing yours as an annual. If so you can easily root cuttings, holding them over for spring or grow in a movable container that you protect from freezing weather.

At the Coastal Georgia Botanical Gardens, we are using the giant milkweed in our pollinator beds with a host of other nectar and larval plants. We dress it up with a little tropical foliage. Butterflies and hummingbirds are always around. Though we are a little wind whipped after Hurricane Irma, the butterflies are already showing they too weathered the storm.

Finding native milkweed plants for sale is still like finding a buried treasure. I assure you we are all working on it, not just in Georgia but your state, too. As we do, the Coastal Georgia Botanical Gardens will be evaluating the giant milkweed, for landscape performance and food for the monarchs, too.

(Norman Winter is director of the Coastal Georgia Botanical Gardens at the Historic Bamboo Farm, University of Georgia Cooperative Extension, and author of "Tough-as-Nails Flowers for the South" and "Captivating Combinations: Color and Style in the Garden." Follow him at: @CGBGgardenguru

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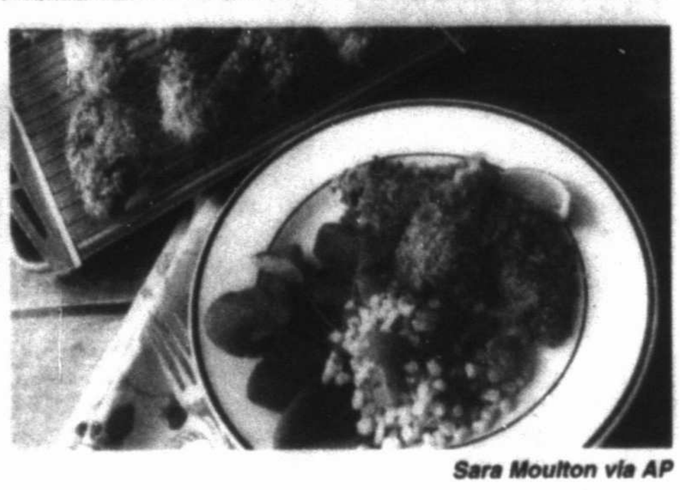

Sara Moulton via AP

This photo shows Mexican-style chicken wings Sept. 4 in New York. This dish is from a recipe by Sara Moulton.

FIVE-INGREDIENT MEXICAN-STYLE CHICKEN WINGS

Start to finish: 1 hour (20 active)
Servings: 4 to 6

- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1 1/2 teaspoons minced garlic
- 1 tablespoon minced chipotle in adobo
- 12 chicken wing drumettes or 6 whole chicken wings, cut into joints
- 1 1/2 cups finely crushed tortilla chips
- Lime wedges for garnish

Preheat oven to 400 F. Place a rack inside a rimmed sheet pan.

In a medium bowl combine the mayonnaise, garlic, chipotle and 1 tablespoon water. Add the chicken wings and toss them so that they are coated well on all sides. Roll them in the tortilla chips, making sure they are well coated on all sides and transfer them to the rack on the sheet pan.

Bake the wings on the middle shelf of the oven for 30 to 35 minutes or until they are golden brown and cooked through. Let stand for 5 minutes. Transfer to plates and serve with lime wedges.

Nutrition information per serving: 323 calories; 208 calories from fat; 23 g fat (5 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 87 mg cholesterol; 332 mg sodium; 13 g carbohydrate; 1 g fiber; 0 g sugar; 14 g protein.

WINGS

From 5E

mayo and ending with crushed tortilla chips. If you're scared by the amount of chipotle, just add less of it — although, trust me, the rest of the recipe's ingredients tend to tamp down the heat. And you can reduce the total number of calories by using low-fat mayo and oven-baked tortilla chips. But do make sure the tortilla chips are seasoned.

If they aren't, mix them with a little salt after you've crushed them.

The finishing touch? A spritz of lime — just the thing to brighten up the baked wings.

HGTV

From 5E

It already has introduced two new clothing lines — A New Day, which will replace longtime brands Merona and Mossimo, and the men's clothing line Goodfellow & Co. It's also adding an affordable wine brand, a modern decor home line and a new athleisure brand.

"Partnering with Chip and Joanna to create a modern farmhouse collection available only at Target allows us to offer an aesthetic we know our guests will love, and the quality and affordable prices can't be beat," Mark Tritton, Target's chief merchandising officer, said in a statement. "That's the magic of Target, and we can't wait for our guests to enjoy this collection for years to come."

Magnolia is the brand the couple use at their retail, dining, real estate and bed-and-breakfast businesses in Waco. It is a play off the name of their property, Magnolia Farms. The couple also license a line of furniture at Hom Furniture stores.

The line for Target will include more than 300 items in tabletop, home decor and giftables. Most of the items will be under $30.

Target flies in store managers and other employees from around the country for its annual meeting to energize them for the upcoming holiday season. In between presentations from Target's top executives, big-name musicians, including Demi Lovato, Rachel Platten, Fantasia and the X Ambassadors, also entertained the crowd.

The new brands are part of a broader strategy of Target's to strengthen its brick-and-mortar stores. The retailer also is renovating stores and lowering prices.

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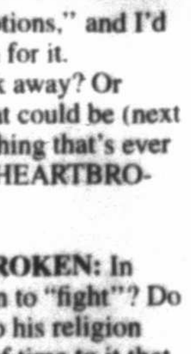
Different approaches to religion are likely to drive couple apart

DEAR ABBY
Universal Press Syndicate



DEAR ABBY: For the first time in my life, I am in love. We met about a month ago. I know he's the man I have waited my entire life to meet. I am 33, so I know what I feel isn't just lust. We have one huge hurdle, though: religion. He's actively religious, while I am not, and he doesn't believe our relationship can survive this difference.

On every other level, we are wonderful. We want the same things in life and share similar values. Our difference isn't that I don't believe in God. I do. But that isn't enough for him.

I told him I would go to church with him, and raise our children (his and mine) in a Christian home, but when they are old enough we should allow them to make their own decisions. He says that would be "just going through the motions," and I'd eventually resent him for it.

Must I let him walk away? Or should I fight for what could be (next to my kids) the best thing that's ever happened to me? — HEARTBROKEN IN TEXAS

DEAR HEARTBROKEN: In what way do you plan to "fight"? Do you plan to convert to his religion and devote the kind of time to it that he does? Think carefully about what that would mean.

While his fervent religiosity is laudable, what this man doesn't realize is that regardless of the example he wants to set for his children, eventually they are going to make up their own minds and live their lives the way they wish.

This "one difference" is a deal-breaker. He is looking for a spiritual clone. You're not it, so let him go.

DEAR ABBY: The company I work for recently switched to digital phones that show the caller's name and location on a screen no matter where they are in the building. Years ago, I formed the habit of introducing myself when placing a call: "Hi,

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KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	Extra	W.Minist	Insight	FaithAve	Fox News Sunday		OCFC	Garret	NFL Kickoff (L)		Fox NFL Sunday (L)	
KMLM IND	Southwest *Part 2*		Essentials	Mission	In Touch Ministries		On Wings	Messiah	Shepherd's Heart		Nueva Vida	
KWES NBC	9	3	3	9	Minute	Secrets	In Search	Journey	Sunday Today (N)		Meet the Press (N)		Voyager	Naturally	LPGA Golf	
KPBT PBS	13	13	13	8	Sesame	Splash&B.	Sid	Cat	Jet Go!	Wild K.	O. Squad	Arthur	Cyberch.	Sit Fit
KUPB UNI	4	4	4	16	Pagado	Pagado	Programa pagado		Netas divinas		Al punto		Aquí y ahora		Fútbol Central	
KOSA MNT	16	16	16		(4:00) Jewelry TV		Spaces	Homeown.	Green	Hazelton	PosPaula	Garden	First Baptist Church		Paid	Paid
FLIX	340	575	165		(4:00) Hoop Dreams		★★ An American Rhapsody				★★ It Runs in the Family				The Muppet M...	
HBO	300	550	14	14	(5:05) Victor Fran...		Real Sports		America	(50)	Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them				(:05) Bill Maher	
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	Movie	(:40) ★★ Rush Hour 3		(:15) ★★ The Rocker Rainn Wilson.				VicePri.	Vice2rit.	VicePri.	VicePri.
HBOS	304	552	16	102		(5:00) He Said, Sh...	★★★ Selena ('97, Bio) Jennifer Lopez.				(:10) Wishful Drinking				★★★★ The Big Lebowski!	
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(5:05) ★★★ Cleopatra ('63, Epic) Richard Burton, Elizabeth Taylor.					(:10) ★ Sisters ('15, Com) Tina Fey.				(:10) ★ Rain Man	
MAX2	382	558	18	122		(5:15) ★ Scott Pilgr...		(:10) ★★ Crossroads		(:45) ★★	My Cousin Vinny Joe Pesci.			(:50) ★ Johnson Family Vacation		
PLEX		96		(5:20) ★ Mother			(:00) ★ The Young Victoria			(:55) ★★★	Elizabeth: The Golden Age			(:20) ★★★ Chaplin		
SHOW	320	560	19	140	25	(5:00) ★ I Am Num...		Inside the NFL		Tough Guys			Boxing		(:45) Acc.	(:15) ★ Transporter 3
TMC	336	573	22	136	26	Movie	HitlerArtist	★★★★ American Graffiti					★★★ More American Graffiti			★ Mystery, Alaska
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	Criminal Minds		C.Minds "Normal"		C.Minds "Soul Mates"		C.Minds "Bloodline"		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	MASH	M*A*S*H	MASH	MASH	MASH	MASH	MASH	MASH	MASH	The HOBBIT: An ...	
BET	58	-	-	40	51	D. Grier	Carpenter	Follow.	Abundant	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin	★★ Love and Basketball Sanaa Lathan.		
BRAVO	65	76	-	41		Tamra's OC Wedding		(:55) Tamra's OC		(:55) Tamra's OC		Watch	Vander	Vander	Vander	Wedding
CNBC	46	52	-	39	72	(5:30) Paid Program		Pre-game	EPL Soccer Arsenal at Chelsea (L)'				Paid Program			
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	New Day Sunday		Inside Politics		State of the Union		Fareed Zakaria GPS		Reliable Sources		State of the Union	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Bering Sea Gold		Sea Gold "Cracked'		Bering Sea Gold		Epic Mancave Builds		Epic Mancave Builds		Epic Mancave Builds	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Elena	Elena	Elena	Puppy	Raven's.	StuckMid	Bizaard.	Underc.	★ Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog ...	StuckMid	
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		Sunday NFL Countdown (L)					
ESPN2	34	38	49	32	31	Bassmaster		Football Final		E:60 (L)		Fantasy Football Now (L)					
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Patricia H	S. Kitchen	Heart	Rules	Big Bite	Cooking	YiaMowry	Giada	Barefoot	Pioneer	Southern	Bob./Da.
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	★★★★ Dumbo			★★★ The Smurfs		Hank Azaria.		★★★★ Gnomeo and Juliet			MediaBuzz	Movie
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	Outdoors	Fantasy Football Hour		Cowboys	Paid	Paid	Golf Life	UEFAMag.	XPoints	Texans	Focused	Baseball
FX	31	56	59	64	69	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	★★ Prometheus ('12, Adv) Noomi Rapace.				
HALLMARK	54	71	58	-	34	Lucy	I Love Lucy	Middle	Middle	★ Summer Love (2016, Romance)				★ Date With Love ('16, Rom) Andrew Walker.			
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper	
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Volo (N)	Getthere	Counting	Counting	Counting Cars: Drive		Special Delivery" (N)				Lone Star Resto. (N)	
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	NT Touch Ministries		Amazing	David Jer.	J.Osteen	Paid	★★★ Seventeen and Missing				★ The Wrong Stu...	
MSNBC	47	53	-	49	73	MSNBC	Business	PoliticsNation (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		AM Joy (N)				MSNBC Live (N)	
NBCSN	38	43	-	-	-	Pre-race	F1 Auto Racing Singapore Grand Prix (L)					F1 Extra	Live	(:55) EPL Soccer Everton vs Man Utd (L)			
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	PAW	PAW	P Ranger	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Mysticon	Loud H.
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Paid Program		Paid Program				Off-Road	E. Power	Truck T.	D.Muscle	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	(5:00) Paid Program		★★★ Blade Runner ('82, Sci-Fi) Harrison Ford.							★★ Mad Max: Beyond Thunderdome Mel Gibson.		
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	★ Kicking and Screaming Will Ferrell.					★★★ A Few Good Men Tom Cruise.		
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(5:15) ★ Merry And...		★★★ Diane ('56, Rom) Lana Turner.				★★★ In a Lonely Place			★ Desert Song		
TELE	20	-	10	20		Pagado	Pagado	Liga extra	(:25) EPL Fútbol Arsenal at Chelsea (L)				Liga extra	(:55) EPL Fútbol Everton vs Man Utd (L)			
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Four Weddings			Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	LawOrder	Sheltered'	LawOrder	"Couples"	LawOrder	"Smoke"	Law&Order	"Bodies"	Law&Order	"Bounty"	Law & Order	
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	(:10) Chris	(:50) G. Girls	(:25) The Golden Girls		G. Girls	(:35) G.Girls	(:10) G.Girls	(:50) G.Girls	(:25) The Golden Girls		G. Girls	G. Girls
USA	26	55	42	27	49	Paid	T.Point	In Touch	J.Osteen	Chrisley	Chrisley	Suits "Donna"		Law&O: SVU "Class"		Law&O: SVU "Fat"	
WGN	19	85	-	-	-	Lord	Creflo	Paid	Paid	★★★ Flags of Our Fathers ('06, Dra) Barry Pepper.						Cops	Cops

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	6	6:30	7	7:30	8	8:30	9	9:30	10	10:30	11	11:30
KMID ABC	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	World of X Games		American Ninja War.		TBA	Carrasco
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	NFL Football New England Patriots at New Orleans Saints Site: Mercedes-Benz Superdome (L)				(:05) PBR Bull Riding		RawTrav.	News (N)
KWWT CW	5	14	-	5	14	BradyB.	BradyB.	FactsLife	FactsLife	Mama'sF.	Mama'sF.	Lucy	Lucy Show	The Love Boat		The Love Boat	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	NFL Football Philadelphia Eagles at Kansas City Chiefs (L)						NFL Football Dallas Cowboys at Denver Broncos (L)					
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Z. Levitt	Mani Erfan	Aleph	Creation	Southwest *Part 1*		Southwest *Part 2*		HaYesod	Hebrew	Jerusalem	Housecall
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	(11:00) Golf	Pres. Cup	PGA Golf BMW Championship Site: Conway Farms Golf Club -- Lake Forest, Ill. (L)								Inside Ed.	News (N)
KPBT PBS	13	13	-	13	8	W.L.Yoga	Wild Photo	Martha	Martha	Chef's	Chef	Great British Baking		Nova		News. (N)	Japan
KUPB UNI	4	4	-	4	16	MFL Fútbol Querétaro at Toluca (L)				Republica deportiva		Como dice el dicho		Al punto		Nacional	Noticiero
KOSA MNT	16	16	-	16		Paid	Bucket List	Green	Homes	Cars.TV		A.Athlete		Entertainers		Missing	Wondram.	Outdoor	Outdoor
FLIX	340	575	-	165		Movie	(:05) ★★★ Dazed and Confused					★★★ The Hurricane ('99, Dra) Denzel Washington.				★ The Illusionist	
HBO	300	550	14	14		(:05) VICE	(:30) Making	(:50) ★ Jason Bourne Matt Damon.				★ Sex and the City ('08, Com) Sarah Jessica Parker.				Movie	
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	VicePri.	VicePri.	VicePri.	VicePri.	VicePri.		★ A Monster Calls		(:20) Bill Maher		LastWk	Insecure
HBOS	304	552	16	102		Movie	★★ The Happening			Insecure	(:45) Ballers	LastWk	(:50) R. 104	(:20)	★★★ My Sister's Keeper		
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(11:10) ★★★ Rain Man			(:25) ★★ The Informant!			(:15) ★★ The Fast and the Furious				(:05) ★ Criminal	
MAX2	382	558	18	122		Movie	★ Charlie's Angels II: Full Thro...		(:20) ★★ National Security			(:50) ★★★ Keanu Keegan-Michael Key.				Movie	
PLEX		96				(10:50) ★ Chaplin		(:20) ★★★ Tootsie Dustin Hoffman.				(:15) ★★★★ Sabrina Humphrey Bogart.				(:15) ★ The Young ...	
SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	(11:15) ★ Transport...		(:15) ★★★ Shaun of the Dead				★★★ Gangs of New York ('02, Dra) Leonardo DiCaprio.					
TMC	336	573	22	155	26	(11:00) ★ Mystery, ...		★★ Pretty Persuasion Evan Rachel Wood.				★★★ The Insider ('99, Susp) Russell Crowe, Al Pacino.				Movie	
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	C.Minds "A Thin Line"		S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(11:00) ★★★ The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey								★★★ Independence Day ('96, Sci-Fi) Bill Pullman, Will Smith.			
BET	58	-	-	40		(10:00) ★ Love & Ba...		★ Only for One Night ('15, Thril) Brian White.						★★ The Best Man ('99, Rom) Nia Long, Taye Diggs.			
BRAVO	65	76	-	41		Wedding	Wedding	Wedding	Wedding	Wedding	Wedding	Wedding	Wedding	Tardy for Wedding		Orange County (N)		Shahs of Sunset	
CNBC	46	52	-	39	72	(9:30) Paid Program											
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	Fareed Zakaria GPS		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Alaska	Buy Alaska	Alaska	Alaska	Alaska	Alaska	Alaska	Alaska	Alaska/Frontier		Alaska/Frontier	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Underc.	StuckMid	Underc.	StuckMid	Bunk'd	Bizaard.	StuckMid	Bizaard.	(:15) ★★ Wreck-It Ralph Jack McBrayer.			
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	MLS Soccer Philadelphia vs New York (L)				WNBA Basketball Playoffs (L)				WNBA Basketball Playoffs (L)			
ESPN2	34	38	49	32	31	CFL Football Ottawa Redblacks at Montreal Alouettes (L)						Battle-Network Stars		Battle-Network Stars		SportsCenter (N)	
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	(11:00) MediaBuzz Analyzing the coverage of a wide range of topics with panelist debates.											
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	The Kitchen		WorstCooks		Chopped		Zimmern	Zimmern	Guy's Game		Guy's Game	
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	(11:20) ★★★★ WALL-E		(:40) ★★★ Despicable Me Steve Carell.				(:45) ★★★★ The Incredibles Craig T. Nelson.					
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	(11:30) MLB Baseball Tex./L.A. A.		Insider		Pre-game	MLB Baseball Texas Rangers at Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim (L)					Rangers	
FX	31	56	59	64	69	Movie	★★ Real Steel ('11, Sci-Fi) Evangeline Lilly, Hugh Jackman.					★★★ The Avengers ('12, Act) Robert Downey Jr..					
HALLMARK	54	71	58	-	34	★ Stop the Wedding Rachel Boston.				★ Birthday Wish ('17, Rom) Jessy Schram.				★ My Favorite Wedding Maggie Lawson.			
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Life	Caribbean	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life	Life
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers	
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	(11:00) ★ The Wrong...		★ The Wrong Crush ('17, Thril) Vinica A. Fox.						★ Boyfriend Killer Patrick Muldoon.		★ Stalker's Prey	
MSNBC	47	53	-	49	73	MSNBC Live (N)		Meet the Press		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)	
NBCSN	38	43	-	-	-	NASCAR America (L)				Count.	NASCAR Auto Racing			Tales of the Turtles 400 (L)		Post-race	Racing
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	★★★★ Terminator 2: Judgment Day Arnold Schwarzenegger.						★★★★ Serenity ('05, Sci-Fi) Gina Torres, Nathan Fillion.				Movie	
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	(10:00) ★ A Few Go...		MLB Baseball St. Louis Cardinals at Chicago Cubs Site: Wrigley Field (L)				Friends	Friends	★ Blast From the ...			
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(11:00) ★ Desert Song		★ Miracle in the Rain Jane Wyman.				★★★★★ 55 Days at Peking ('63, Hist) Ava Gardner.				(:45) Giant	
TELE	20	-	10	20		La Liga Premier (L)		Enfoque	★ Turbo (2013, Animated)			★ Toy Story 2 ('99, Ani) Tom Hanks.				Videos	Noticias
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Four Weddings		My Giant Life		My Giant Life		My Giant Life		My Giant Life		90 Day Fiancé	
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	★★★ King Kong ('05, Act) Naomi Watts, Jack Black, Adrien Brody.						★★★★ Contagion ('11, Act) Kate Winslet, Matt Damon.				Movie	
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba
USA	26	55	42	27	49	Law&O: SVU "Web"		SVU "Influence"		SVU "Avatar"		Law&O: SVU "Harm"		SVU "Svengali"		SVU "Hammered"	
WGN	19	85	-	-	-	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Blue Bloods	

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	6	6:30	7	7:30	8	8:30	9	9:30	10	10:30	11	11:30
KMID ABC	America's Funniest Home Videos		Celebrity Family Feud		Steve Harvey's Funderdome (N)		The $100,000 Pyramid (N)		Local 2 News (N)	(:35) Basin Gridiron	(:05) Blue Bloods	
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	60 Minutes	The 69th Primetime Emmy Awards Celebrating the best in television Live from the Microsoft Theater in Los Angeles. (L)				CBS 7 News (N)	(:35) CBS 7 Wire	(:05) Falcon	(:35) Element.
KWWT CW	5	14	-	5	14	Touched by An Angel "Tough Love"	Columbo "Death Hits the Jackpot" 1/2	Columbo "Death Hits the Jackpot" 2/2		Touched by An Angel "Fallen Angel"		Honey-mooners	The Odd Couple	Cheers	8 New-hart
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big NFL Football	The OT (L)	Orville "Command Performance" (N)	The Simpsons	Family Guy	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	2 Girls	Inside the Game	Robert Jeffress	Texans 360
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Mission: M25	Shepherd's Heart	The Essentials	Light of the Southwest *Part 1*		Light of the Southwest *Part 2*		Update News	Behind the Veil	Wings of Truth	Our Messiah
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Football Night in America (L)	(:28) NFL Football Green Bay Packers at Atlanta Falcons Site: Mercedes-Benz Stadium -- Atlanta, Ga. (L)						NewsWe-st 9 at 10	County Reporter	Whacked Out	
KPBT PBS	13	13	-	13	8	USS Indianapolis Live: From the Deep	The Vietnam War "Déjà Vu (1858-1961)" (N)		The Vietnam War "Déjà Vu (1858-1961)"			Saigon Stories	Think With Kris	They Were Our Fathers		
KUPB UNI	4	4	-	4	16	Aquí y ahora	Mira quien baila			El Chapo		María de Todos	Noticiero Univision	República deportiva		
KOSA MNT	16	16	-	16		Rizzoli & Isles	Castle		CSI: Miami			H.S. Football OHS vs. Coronado (L)				
FLIX	340	575	-	165		(5:00) ★ The Illusionist		★★★ Trading Places Eddie Murphy.				★★★ Dazed and Confused		(:45) ★★ Who's Your Caddy?		
HBO	300	550	14	14		(5:45) ★ La La Land ('16, Com) Emma Stone.		The Deuce (N)				Ballers	VicePri.	LastWeek	The Deuce	VicePri.
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	Insecure	The Deuce "Pilot"		★ Mike & Dave Need Wedd...			(:45) ★ Search Party			(:30) ★ Serendipity	
HBOS	304	552	16	102		(:15) ★ Jackie ('16, Dra) Natalie Portman.			★★★ Selena ('97, Bio) Jennifer Lopez.			(:15) ★ Legend ('15, Thril) Tom Hardy.				
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(6:00) ★ Criminal		★★★★ Deadpool				(:50) ★★★ The Nice Guys Ryan Gosling.			(:50) ★ The French Connection	
MAX2	382	558	18	122		(5:20) ★★★ Cast Away Tom Hanks.			★★★ Road to Perdition Tom Hanks.				★★★ The Mummy Brendan Fraser.			
PLEX		96				(6:15) ★ The Young ...		★★★ Chaplin ('92, Bio) Robert Downey Jr..				(:25) ★★★ Marvin's Room		(:10) ★ Son of the ...		
SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	Dice	Episodes	Ray Donovan	Ray Donovan (N)			Episodes	Dice (N)	Ray Donovan		Episodes	Dice
TMC	336	573	22	155	26	(5:40) ★ Open Water		★★ Secret in Their Eyes Chiwetel Ejiofor.				★★★ The Others		(:45) ★★★ Halloween		
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	S. Wars	Storage W.	Storage Wars: Best Finds	Barry finds some high-flying gear from back in time.						(:05) Storage Wars	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(:55) Fear the Dead "Minotaur/The Diviner"		Fear the Dead (N)		Talking Dead (N)				Fear the Dead		Fear the Dead	
BET	58	-	-	40		Movie	★★ Love and Basketball ('00, Rom) Omar Epps, Alfre Woodard, Sanaa Lathan.						Martin	Martin	Stop Suffering	
BRAVO	65	76	-	41		Shahs of Sunset	Shahs of Sunset (N)	Shahs of Sunset		Real Housewives			Watch (N)	Shahs of Sunset		BelowD
CNBC	46	52	-	39	72	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank		Shark Tank			Shark Tank	Shark Tank		Shark Tank	
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	CNN Newsroom	CNN Newsroom	Anthony Bourdain		Anthony "Marseille"			A. Bourdain "Peru"			Anthony Bourdain	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Alaska "Stranded"	Alaska: The Last Frontier "Backcountry Survival" (N)						Alaska/Frontier			Alaska/Frontier	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	DuckTales "Woo-oo!"	(:55) Transf	Tangled	Raven's.	StuckMid	Bizaard.	Raven's.	DuckTales "Woo-oo!"			StuckMid	Bunk'd
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	SportsCenter (N)	MLB Baseball (L)						SportsCenter (N)			SportsCenter (N)	
ESPN2	34	38	49	32	31	Baseball Tonight	eSports "Injustice 2" (L)					SportsCenter (N)	E:60			ESPN FC (N)	
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	Fox Report Weekend			America's News HQ	National and global headline news stories.						The Next Revolution	
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Guy's Grocery Games	Guy's Game (N)		Food Truck Race (N)			Great Food Truck		Diners, Drive-Ins		Food Truck Race	
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	Movie	(:25) ★★★ Frozen ('13, Fam) Kristen Bell.					(:55) ★★★ Despicable Me Steve Carell.			★ Alvin & the Chi...	
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	Bull Riding						Polaris	Football	Cowboys	School (N)	WPT Poker	
FX	31	56	59	64	69	Movie	★★ Spy ('15, Act/Com) Jude Law, Melissa McCarthy.					The Strain (F)		(:05) The Strain		(:10) The Strain	
HALLMARK	54	71	58	-	34	★ The Perfect Bride Pascale Hutton.			Chesap. Shores (N)			G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Life	Caribbean	Bargain	Bargain	Islndlif	Islndlif	Mexico	Mexico	H.Hunt	House	Islndlif	Islndlif
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		(:05) Amer. Pickers		(:05) Amer. Pickers		(:05) Amer. Pickers	
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	(5:00) ★ Stalker's Prey		★ Sea Change Maria Dizzia, Emily Rudd.				★ Running Away (2017, Thriller)				★ Sea Change	
MSNBC	47	53	-	49	73	Meet the Press		Dateline NBC		Lockup		Lockup		Lockup		Lockup	
NBCSN	38	43	-	-	-	(5:30) IndyCar Racing Grand Prix of Sonoma (L)				Post-race	F1 Auto Racing Singapore Grand Prix			Red Bull Air Race "Germany" (N)			
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	G'Shakers	H.Danger	H.Danger	Dude Per	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue (N)		Bar Kes.	"Tiki Curse"	Bar Rescue	
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	(5:00) ★ Charlie and the Chocolate Factory				★★★ Maleficent Angelina Jolie.					★★★★ The Princess Bride Cary Elwes.		
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	(5:00) ★ Blast From ...		★★★ Vacation ('15, Com) Ed Helms.				★★★ Get Him to the Greek Jonah Hill.		(:15) ★ Blast From ...			
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(5:45) Return to Giant		★★★ Giant (1956, Romance) Elizabeth Taylor, James Dean, Rock Hudson.						Return to Giant		(:45) 5 Films	
TELE	20	-	10	20		★ Mediascope 3: Europe's Most Wanted		Gran Oportun (N)		Don Francisco (N)		Tinulares	Videos	★ Dragon Wars			
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	90 Day Fiancé (N)		90 Day Fiancé		To Be Announced		(:05) My Giant Life		(:05) 90 Day Fiancé		Baby I'm Worth It'	
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The Fall Exhibit at the Gallery at Midland Shared Spaces opened Thursday. The show features new artwork by Midland Arts Association, Palette Club of Midland, MARC and Sibley Camera Club. Art can be seen during Midland Shared Spaces' business hours Monday through Friday.

CALENDAR

Sept 17-23

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TODAY

The 27th Annual High Sky Wing AIRSHO will feature the U.S. Navy TAC DEMO Team, Trojan Horsemen, T-28s, World War II reenactments and more. 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. at High Sky Wing, 9612 Wright Drive. $20-$50. airsho.org.

The 21st Annual Trio of Gardens, 1-4 p.m. at 1501 Douglas, 1607 Country Club, and 205 Club Drive. $12 advance, $15 door. trioofgardens.com.

TCM Big Screen Classics: "E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial" 35th Anniversary Event. 2 and 7 p.m. at Tall City Stadium 14, 4915 SW Loop 250 N. $13.53. fathomevents.com.

"First Date," 2:30 p.m. Sundays, 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays through Sept. 30 at Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. mctmidland.org.

The Commodores, 8 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $45 to $69.50. wagnernoel.com.

MONDAY

Midland Community Band's weekly meeting and rehearsal at Midland College Fine Arts Building Band Hall. 7-9 p.m. New members welcome and some instruments are available for use at the college. Contact 553-0632 for more information.

Project Literacy: R.L. Stine, author of "Goosebumps," and Brendan Wenzel, author of "They All Saw a Cat" will sign books and hold a Q&A. Carnival games and a screening of the film "Goosebumps" will also be part of the event. 4:30 p.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.

Dining in the Dark Cocktail Party. Guests will have the option of wearing blindfolds or vision-impairment simulation glasses to enjoy hand-crafted cocktail and appetizers by the Blue Door and Garlic Press. The event will also feature a silent auction, wine cork pull and benefits the Recording Library of West Texas. 6 p.m. at The Blue Door, 4610 N. Garfield St. $150 per reservation. 21 and older only. recordinglibrary.org.

Permian Basin Dance Club with live country western bands weekly. 7:30-10 p.m. at Crown Royal Club, 1110 E. Scharbauer Drive. 520-4343 or 296-9840.

TUESDAY

"Nature Notes" on Marfa Public Radio. 8:35 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. KXWT-Midland/Odessa-91.3 FM.

Watercolor art classes by Sara Drescher. The class is for all levels. 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at Arts Council of Midland, 1506 W. Illinois Ave. To register, email sara@artbysaradb.com.

State of the Arts: Odessa Council for the Arts and Humanities annual meeting and grant awards. Appetizers by Mi Piaci and music by Erica Lane. Cash bar available. 6:30 p.m. at OCA&H, 415 N. Grant Ave. $25.

Crossing the Line: West Texas Line Dancing weekly meetup. 7:30-9 p.m. at MLK Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane. Classes are free but there is a $1 center entry fee. 713-876-9097. bbberesik@gmail.com. meetup.com/CrossingTheLineWestTexas.

WEDNESDAY

Story Time, 9:30 a.m. for ages up to 2 years; 10:30 a.m. for ages 2-6 at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch.

TCM Big Screen Classics: "E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial" 35th Anniversary Event. 2 and 7 p.m. at Tall City Stadium 14, 4915 SW Loop 250 N. $13.53. Fathomevents.com.

THURSDAY

Third Thursday Reading will have a featured book with copies given to each child. The monthly event is part of the Laura Bush Literacy Program. Free but space is limited so reservations are encouraged. Refreshments provided. 4:30 p.m. at the George W. Bush Childhood Home, 1412 W. Ohio Ave. bushchildhoodhome.org.

Basin PBS Advance Screening: "Poldark." Watch a preview of season 3. 6:30 p.m. at Trinity School, W. Wadley Ave. Free. basinpbs.org.

Los Lonely Boys concert benefiting 1-20 Wildlife Preserve and Jenna Welch Nature Study Center. 7 p.m. Sept. 21 at Horseshoe Amphitheater, 2514 Arena Trail. $35. midlandhorseshoe.com.

West Texas Dance Club with live country music, 7:30-10 p.m. at 208 W. VFW Way in Odessa. 697-0281 or 631-6125.

FRIDAY

"Appareality" is a new exhibition featuring works by Amanda Lunson and Elliott Lunson. Opening reception is at 6 p.m. The show runs through Oct. 29. Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. museumsw.org.

An Evening with Jimmy Johnson benefiting Habitat for Humanity. The event will feature live and silent auctions and a pre-game show with Johnson for meet and greet. Dinner provided by The Barnd Door. 6:30 p.m. at Horseshoe Pavilion. habitatmidland.org.

The Third Annual Party Like Animals benefiting the Humane Society of Odessa. The event will feature live music, a raffle and silent auction. 7:30 p.m. at Dos Amigos, 4700 N. Golder Ave. $30 advance, $35 door. odessahumanesociety.org.

Laberinto, La Maquineria Nortena, Fiera, 8 p.m. at La Hacienda Event Center, . $50. haciendamidland.com.

SATURDAY

Midland Downtown Farmers Market: The market is open Saturdays through Oct. 28. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave.

Permian Playhouse Tailgate 2017. 4:30 p.m. at Permian Playhouse, 310 W. 42nd St., Odessa. permianplayhouse.com.

Seventh Annual Furr Ball benefiting the Midland Humane Coalition, 7 p.m. at The Petroleum Club, 501 W. Wall St. midlandhumane.org.

ON DISPLAY

Studio 3600 Exhibition with works by Anabella Charlton, Mark Gaines, Jim Geitgey, Karen Lanier and Rick Reese at Midland College's McCormick Gallery, 3600 N. Garfield Road. midland.edu/mccormick.

Works by Gregorio Hernandez and Adam Martinez. On view Fridays in September at Kamiposi, 510 S. Big Spring St.

Midland Art Association: **Works by Diane Brown** throughout the month of September. 9 a.m. Monday-Friday at Community National Bank, 401 W. Teas Ave. midlandartassociation.org.

Works by Erwin E. Smith features 30 images by the early Texas photographer who documented cowboys and the open range. On display through Sept. 22. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays at Haley Memorial Library & History Center, 1805 W. Indiana Ave. haleylibrary.com.

"Three Millennia of Art in West Texas" will feature works by Donald Judd, rock art and art from the 1920s. Through Sept. 24 at Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. museumsw.org.

Works by Ken Rowland. The local artist will display watercolors depicting the Southwest and Big Bend. His works will be on display through Sept. 30. 6 p.m. at Sibley Nature Center, 1307 E. Wadley Ave. sibleynaturecenter.org.

Ballroom Marfa, 108 E. San Antonio St. Marfa. ballroommarfa.org.

Blakemore Planetarium, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Dome shows Tuesdays -Saturdays. Closed Sunday and Monday. museumsw.org.

George Bush Childhood Home. Tours and gift shop hours are 2-5 p.m. Sundays and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturdays. Admission charged. 1412 W. Ohio Ave. 432-685-1112.

Midland Army Airfield Museum. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturdays. 9600 Wright Drive. Free admission. highskywing.org.

Midland County Historical Museum, 301 W. Missouri Ave. Permanent exhibits include early Midland artifacts, pioneer relics and fossil remains. Archives include photographs, documents, newspapers and extensive obituary files. Open Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 2-5 p.m. Free. 432-688-8947.

Midland County Historical Society's Z. Taylor Brown-Sara Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland. Open by appointment. 213 N. Weatherford St. 432-682-5447.

Options Gallery, Odessa College, 201 W. University Blvd. Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m., Friday 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m. Free. 432-335-6640. odessa.edu.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, 1500 Interstate 20 West. Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m. 432-683-4403. pbpetro.org.

Scarborough-Linebery House, 802 S. Main St. Call for appointment. Available for rental for weddings and special occasions. 432-685-7368. midlandtexas.gov.

Good corn taste is in the genes

By Lee Reich
Associated Press

The taste of sweet corn in the market has, to many palates, gotten better and better over the years. The taste of sweet corn that I grow is the same every year.

Still, my taste buds tell me that my corn tastes best.

It's not from having a green thumb or a site particularly congenial to sweet corn; it's all in the sweet corn's genes.

Those good genes reside in the variety Golden Bantam, which debuted in 1902 and is, as far as I'm concerned, the tastiest corn there is. Seventy-five years ago, just about everyone would have agreed with me. When E.L. Coy sent the Burpee Seed Company those first 2 quarts of Golden Bantam seed, he also sent along a note that read, "You now have the very sweetest and richest corn ever known."

Lee Reich via AP

This undated photo shows a basket of Golden Bantam corn grown and harvested in New Paltz, N.Y. Golden Bantam is an old-fashioned variety of sweet corn that, though less sweet than modern hybrid varieties, has a richer, cornier flavor.

Historical acclaim for Golden Bantam

U.P. Hedrick wrote in "The Corns of New York" (1934) that Golden Bantam "has been for several years the most popular sweet corn for all purposes. The name has been so thoroughly impregnated in the minds of growers and consumers that many of them will not accept anything else."

Golden Bantam erased a prevailing prejudice against yellow corns, which had been associated with livestock feeds.

Despite present and past rave reviews, Golden Bantam corn is neither as sweet nor as tender as what you'll pick up these days off market shelves or at farmers' markets. What Golden Bantam has going for it is flavor; each chewy kernel is packed with sweet, rich, old-fashioned corn flavor.

What makes sweet corn sweet

Sweet corns first appeared in a seed catalog in 1828, and for decades thereafter the goal was to eke out the most sweetness by developing better varieties and shortening the time between harvest and eating.

Golden Bantam and other traditional sweet corn varieties owe their sweetness to a single recessive gene known as sugary-1. The main drawback of this gene, as far as farmers were concerned, was that the kernels rapidly lost sugar as soon as the ear was picked. (That's not an issue for home gardeners, who can drop ears into boiling water a few minutes after they are harvested.)

That goal of the sweetest sweet corn was perhaps too fully realized with the discovery about 50 years ago of the so-called shrunken-2 gene of sweet corn. (Dried seeds with this gene are very shrunken and wrinkled.) This recessive gene imparts an enormous amount of sweetness to corn, and harvested kernels hold their sweetness for days. The main drawback of this gene is that the kernels have somewhat tough skins. Also, shrunken-2 plantings must be isolated from sugary-1 plantings, or the corns cross-pollinate and neither planting yields a corn that is sweet at all.

Enter the sugary-enhanced gene, discovered in the 1960s. It works in concert with the old sugary-1 gene. Sugary-enhanced gene corn holds its sweetness for days after picking, has tender — some say creamy — kernels, and does not need isolation from pure sugary-1 corns.

What to plant

It's all a matter of taste: If you want the sweetest of all corns, with a cracking texture, grow a shrunken-2 supersweet. If you want something less sweet but with good texture, grow a sugary-enhanced corn.

If your taste buds cry out for the richest corn flavor and you feel that today's super sweet corns are just too sweet, things are not as simple as just growing Golden Bantam. Those 2 quarts of seed that Burpee received in 1902 were open-pollinated Golden Bantam, meaning that the seeds had been and could be saved for generations.

But Golden Bantam was so good that it sired other "Golden Bantam" varieties, such as Extra Early Golden Bantam, another open-pollinated variety. Soon after hybrid corn entered the garden and farm scene in the 1920s, the hybrid variety Golden Cross Bantam was also developed. Besides other qualities, it had larger ears.

Fortunately, Early Golden Bantam, Extra Early Golden Bantam and Golden Cross Bantam, as well as the original Golden Bantam itself, are all still available today. They're all good, but none beats the original.

ABBY

From 6E

this is Sally from marketing. How are you, Trent? Great! I'm calling because ..." I have been informed that what I'm doing is old-fashioned, unnecessary and a waste of everyone's time.

The preferred method would be to launch into the heart of the conversation with no introduction, just "Hi. I need instructions for the new projectors," because the person already knows who is calling. To me, this feels rude, especially when talking with someone I see rarely.

I can't help but wonder what the long-term office climate will be like if everyone is so terse. On the other hand, many of my younger co-workers would prefer not to talk at all and conduct business by email or text. ANY conversation feels excessive to them, and they are humoring me by answering the phone.

Where is the middle ground here? How can I maintain what feels like basic good manners and human interaction without annoying my colleagues? — POLITE IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR POLITE: There are certain niceties that make interactions with others more pleasant. While you may no longer have to announce that you are "Sally from marketing," it is polite to inquire how the person is doing or how the day is going. It's a pleasant conversation-starter and a transition into the business you will conduct. Because you are getting flak for it, go to your employer or H.R. for guidance in navigating the new system.

OIL REPORT

Helmerich & Payne motor man Michael Palmer, left, and floor hand Travis Palmer, right, move equipment as a section of pipe is drilled into the ground for oil and gas extraction on a Diamondback Energy lease in 2016 outside of Midland. *Michael Ciaglo / Houston Chronicle*

Operators to drillers: We're all in this together

■ IADC workshop drills down into how to best develop shale energy

By Mella McEwen
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With about 40 percent of the nation's drilling rigs deployed in the Permian Basin, the International Association of Drilling Contractors gathered in Midland on Wednesday to discuss the best ways to keep them operating and developing the area's shale riches.

In the first of what is expected to be a yearly event, IADC's Shale Energy Workshop examined areas such as cutting-edge technology, safety and regulatory affairs. But it was representatives of four of the Permian's top operating companies that defined the challenges that lie ahead.

"I started thinking of the evolution of drilling in the Permian Basin over the last 17 years," said Joe Wright, executive vice president and chief operating officer at Concho Resources.

He related recently taking the company's newest member of the board of directors, a former astronaut who made five space flights, to one of the company's drilling rigs. Watching the driller control the rig with a joystick in hand, managing all the activity on a number of monitors, "she said it reminded her of the space shuttle. Now, no one could compare the first rig I bought with the space shuttle."

Like Wright, John Willis, drilling and completions manager with Occidental Oil & Gas, marveled at the evolution of the industry from the vertical wells he drilled early in his career. "Today it's much closer to deepwater drilling than the old vertical wells," he said.

He decried the fact that, after several years of improvement, safety performance is beginning to weaken again.

"All companies in the Permian Basin need to create a safety culture," he stated. "We want all the people who come onto our locations to support our safety culture. The more people that support it, the more that reinforces it." He said he'd like to see drilling companies rather than operators help drive safety technology and performance.

Mike Hollis, president and chief operating officer of Diamondback Energy, offered a wish list of technology that will help not only operators but drillers and service companies grow in an atmosphere of "lower for longer" oil prices: Super-spec rigs, automation and on-the-fly optimization, walking capability, high pressure pumps, three-shaker/three pump configuration, ease of moving from pad to pad, reliable downhole tools and experienced crews.

"What scares us the most is what's coming," Hollis said, referring to looming crew shortages and the challenge of managing the coming talent pool to keep execution high.

Wright said operators and drilling and service companies have to work together to "leverage our knowledge and their knowledge, not just in solving problems but in finding ways to do better."

With each well drilled, knowledge is added and "we use that to drive gains in efficiency. That will drive mergers and acquisitions and in defining resource potential," Wright said.

Looking at the shift in activity from vertical wells to horizontal drilling over the last seven years, Wright said what will drive the Permian forward in the next seven years will be "about equipment; it will be about people. We need to continue to embrace technology, do more with data collection."

Joey Hall, executive vice president, Permian operations, with Pioneer Natural Resources, cautioned against an overreliance on automation, telling the audience that while automation can be great, "you have to differentiate between what's cool and what can really make a difference."

Consistency, from the initial drilling to the final completion process, is key, Hall said.

The future will be large-scale projects, Wright predicted, with operators moving several rigs into an area and drilling a combination of vertical and horizontal wells in density spacing in order to capture all the hydrocarbons. That, he said, will improve efficiencies both on the surface and downhole.

Willis said that, to move forward, operators and drillers alike need to focus on safety, embrace complexity and perform at higher levels of competence.

"We have the opportunity to develop new technologies, to better train people. There's still a lot of potential for improvement in performance," even though performance has improved dramatically, he said.

Noting that the nation is expected to grow its crude production to a record 10 million barrels a day in the very near future, with much of that growth driven by the Permian, "if we're going to pull this off, we need to improve reliability," Hall said. "It's time for disruptive technology. We need radical thinking. There's technology that exists in other industries, and we need to look at that."

Research aims to shrink liquids fuel processing technology

By Mella McEwen
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University researchers are preparing to launch a $20 million effort to prove that, when it comes to energy, smaller, rather than bigger, can be better.

"This goes against the mantra of oil and gas that bigger is better," Joan Brennecke, a professor at the University of Texas at Austin's McKetta Department of Chemical Engineering, told the Reporter-Telegram by telephone from her Austin office.

She will serve as deputy director of the new Center For Innovative and Strategic Alkane Resources (CISTAR), funded by $20 million from the National Science Foundation. The center will be located at Purdue University, and Purdue's Fabio Ribeiro will serve as director. But Brenneke said researchers from UT Austin's Cockrell School of Engineering will work alongside researchers from Purdue and additional partners at Northwestern University, the University of New Mexico and the University of Notre Dame.

The goal is to develop technology that will convert the nation's newfound bounty of shale gas, with its riches of lighter-hydrocarbon gases — methane, ethane, propane and butane among them — and convert them into liquid fuels using smaller, modular and mobile processing units.

Rather than shipping the gas from Midland-Odessa to Houston or even Louisiana for processing, these units would do the work much closer to the well sites. Success "would mean better utilization of the resource, and better utilization of the resource closer to the resource itself, which could mean more jobs in Midland and Odessa," she said.

Success would also offer more flexibility in creating transportation fuel, she added.

"If we achieve this, it will give us a lot more resilience. Just look at (the impact of) Hurricane Harvey. If we're producing transportation fuels from thousands of places, we're less vulnerable to natural disasters like Harvey," she said.

The challenge will be developing new catalysts, separation processes and process systems that work effectively on a smaller scale, Brennecke said. The ultimate hope is to develop a system that would fit on an tractor-trailer that, after a well's production declines significantly, can move on to the next well.

"It's not taking advantage of economies of scale but economies of mass production," she said.

It would not only reduce transportation costs, but the risks associated with transporting the natural gas, she said. Analysis will be done to see if the new system would result in a lower carbon footprint, but she expressed confidence that's what the findings would show.

"There are technological challenges; the catalysts need to get better. We don't see it as a showstopper, but there are challenges," Brennecke said.

She said the project has put together a great team of researchers who are joined by a dozen or so corporate partners that include ExxonMobil, LyondellBasell, Clariant, Shell, Honeywell/UOP, BP and Air Liquide, among others. Brennecke said she hopes more will join the effort.

In a couple of years, "we plan on making stuff," she said, to show the companies so the technology transfer process can begin, that the industry partners can license and develop.

The project's leaders estimate the new technologies have the potential to inject $20 billion per year into the nation's economy through the creation of new businesses and a next-generation shale workforce.

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Cudd offers summer interns hands-on experience

By Mella McEwen
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For 10 weeks, Cudd Energy Services crews had every move questioned, every decision studied, every task watched.

They weren't being watched by supervisors conducting evaluations. Rather, it was a group of 10 college students participating in the company's annual summer internship program.

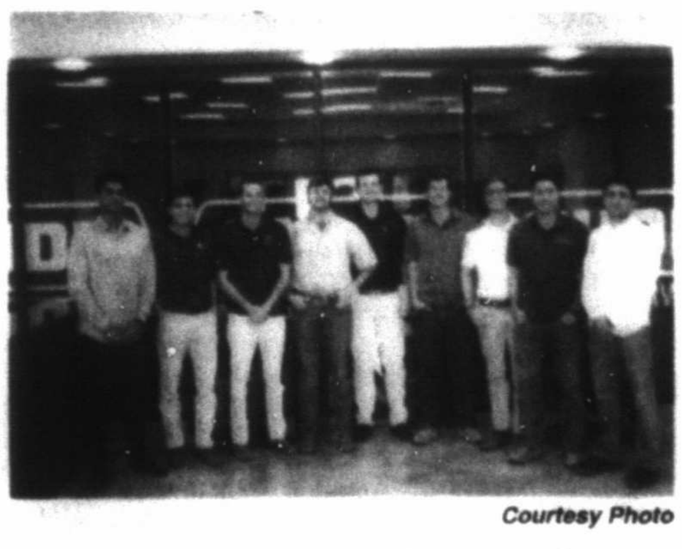
Joe Lee, Cudd's technical manager, estimates the company has been conducting the summer program at least the past 10 years.

"Each year is different. If activity is up, we have more participants. If activity is slower, we have less," he told the Reporter-Telegram by telephone. He said this year's participation was up.

"This summer's group was excellent, one of the best we've had," he said.

One thinks of engineering or geology students spending their summers interning at oil production companies, where they spend much of the time in the office, doing paperwork or in front of computers.

"But we provide an experience oil companies can't give," Lee said. "It's all done at the well site. They participated in the work going on. We give them hands-on experience. So when they graduate and go on to design jobs, they have a better understanding of what's going on at the well site."



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Interns gathered for a photo at Cudd's Odessa facility. From left to right are Muhammad Khan, Texas Tech; Vincent Baiano, LSU; Hill Davenport, University of Tulsa; Heath Edgerton and Taylor Cooper, Texas Tech; Robert Dickey, University of Texas; Colton Matus, Texas Tech; DJ Galvan, UTPB, and Muzammil Said, Texas Tech. Not pictured was Donovan Degnan, UTPB.

From the company's perspective, Lee said management gets to meet possible future employees "or if they go to work for one of our customers, they could become a customer."

Cudd's internship program began when a customer wanted a summer job for his college student son, but one that gave him different, hands-on experiences. Since then, participants are not actively recruited, but are friends, customers or friends and family of customers or family members, according to Lee.

"We really try have local people or people who have local contacts so they can stay with someone," he said.

Lee recounted that a former intern was the son of a friend and how that

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Shell retail looks to the future with car charging

Bloomberg

Royal Dutch Shell wants 20 percent of fuel margins from its retail forecourts to come from vehicles that don't burn diesel or gasoline, as the company anticipates an accelerating transition to clean energy over the coming decade.

Shell set up its first hydrogen refueling station in the U.K. earlier this year and will install its first electric car charging point later this month, said John Abbott, the top executive of its downstream business, which includes refining, marketing, retail, trading and chemicals. By 2025, he expects these new operations supplying cleaner fuels, including natural gas, to make up a fifth of margins from selling fuel. As major markets including France, the U.K. and China talk about phasing out the sale of fossil-fuel-powered cars in the coming decades, major energy companies are taking steps to prepare and adapt.

The downstream businesses of Shell and its peers have been an important source of profit during the oil market's three-year downturn, but there are growing signs that demand for gasoline and diesel will start to wane as people switch to new forms of transport.

"We are talking to a lot of companies at the moment with a view to significantly extending the number of countries" where Shell has electric charging stations, Abbott said in an interview in London on Monday. "That's what the forecourt of the future looks like."

Shell and rivals including BP have said that demand for oil could stop growing as early as the 2030s as the use of electric vehicles expands and more renewable sources of energy are used. As battery prices drop, the proportion of fully electric cars sold in the U.K. will rise to one in 12 by 2030, from one in 200 today, according Bloomberg New Energy Finance.

Shell plans to have 10 charging points in the U.K. by the end of the year, Abbott said. It also wants to expand non-fuel sales of items such as sandwiches and coffee to all of the 80 countries in which it operates, he said. It aims for half its retail income to come from products like these by 2025, he said.

The company, which has more stores than Starbucks and McDonald's, earned $1.1 billion from its marketing operations in the second quarter ended June 30. The downstream business as a whole — which includes refining and chemicals — reported adjusted net income of $2.5 billion in the quarter, 63 percent of the group's total. Before crude prices slumped in 2014, the sale of crude oil and natural gas brought in the majority of earnings.

Shell started its first fuel station in Mexico last week and plans to open one or two outlets in the country each week for the rest of this year, according to country president Alberto De la Fuente. It plans to expand in China, India and Indonesia, Abbott said.

"A very exciting area of growth for me is the marketing business," Abbott said. "The demand for energy will increase dramatically. It's our job to meet that demand, and it also has to be cleaner."

Gustavo Martinez Contreras/Associated Press

Emilio Lozoya, former head of Mexico's state-owned oil company Pemex, gives a press conference in Mexico City on Aug. 17. Lozoya, a key campaign adviser to President Enrique Pena Nieto, spoke after answering prosecutors' questions about bribes he allegedly took from Brazil's construction firm Odebrecht. Lozoya denies taking bribes.

Anxiety rising over fate of Mexico's energy reforms

By James Osborne
Houston Chronicle

WASHINGTON — After decades of banishment from Mexico's oil and gas fields, American companies like Exxon Mobil and Chevron are becoming a presence there again.

But just four years after Mexican President Enrique Pena Nieto invited foreign companies into his country to help modernize its struggling energy industries, the rise of populist politics in Mexico is driving concerns about the future of reforms that ended the national oil company's monopoly and opened markets to competition.

With the U.S. and Mexican governments renegotiating the North American Free Trade Agreement, oil and gas companies, as well as the Pena Nieto administration, are pressing for protections in the treaty against any future efforts in Mexico to push out foreign oil companies.

"It's a bulwark, should Mexico change their minds on the reforms," said David Goldwyn, a former State Department special envoy during the Obama administration who now heads the Atlantic Council's Energy Advisory Group, a think tank. "If someone wants to get nasty, this could go wrong a lot of different ways."

The front-runner to succeed Pena Nieto in next summer's presidential election — the leftist former mayor of Mexico City, Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador — has been a vocal critic of Pena Nieto and said if elected he would hold a referendum on the energy reforms.

Obrador, who has criticized President Donald Trump, has also promised to take a harder line in trade negotiations between the two countries.

The statements have left U.S. officials and industry leaders scrambling to hedge against a change in relations.

"He has generally been supportive of NAFTA, but then in the next breath he will say he will review everything under this administration," said Antonio Garza, an attorney and former U.S. ambassador to Mexico. "There's enough menace in the 'but' for people to take pause."

During a news conference earlier this month, Mexico's chief trade negotiator, Kenneth Smith, said the Pena Nieto administration was seeking to write its energy reforms into NAFTA. Such a move would effectively make if far more difficult for Obrador to change course on energy, forcing him to pull out of a treaty that has helped drive the development of factories across the border and inland regions of Mexico.

"We're working in this sense, analyzing all of the elements that need to be included in the energy discussion to reflect the reform Mexico established," he said, according to the Reuters news agency.

Mexico nationalized its oil industry in the 1930s and the state-owned Petroleos Mexicanos, or Pemex, held a monopoly for three-quarters of a century. But Pemex in recent years became burdened by debt and falling production, unable to invest in technology needed to increase output in aging fields and exploit new ones.

Since passing market reforms in 2013 with the aim of attracting foreign investment, Mexico has reduced the role of Pemex and steadily gained ground in modernizing its oil and gas sector. After early struggles to lure foreign companies, recent auctions have drawn competition between U.S. and European oil majors looking to tap fields in Mexican waters.

In March, Italian firm Eni announced a large discovery in Mexico's shallow-water Gulf. Four months later, a consortium including Houston-based Talos Energy announced it had what was believed to be the fifth-largest discovery in the world over the previous five years.

"Whatever they can do to strengthen the general impression of the solidity and irreversibility of the energy reforms, the oil companies want to see that happen," said George Baker, a Houston energy consultant and longtime publisher of the news-letter Mexico Energy Intelligence.

Last month, three trade groups representing oil and gas companies in North America, including the American Petroleum Institute, released a paper urging the NAFTA negotiators to preserve provisions within the trade agreement that allow companies operating in foreign lands the right to third-party arbitration and restrict the ability of governments to seize foreign investment.

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UT will receive $3.2 million of the funding. Along with Brennecke, the UT Austin team includes David Allen, Thomas Edgar, Benny Freeman and Mark Stadtherr of the Cockrell School and Sheila Olmstead of the LBJ School of Public Affairs. The researchers will focus on developing materials, technologies and processes for separating reactants and products, minimizing environmental impacts and testing integrated system analyses.

As part of the grant, CISTAR will also oversee workforce development efforts, including training a new hydrocarbon workforce to work at the well sites, as well as engage in educational outreach at all CISTAR university sites.

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former intern now works at Parsley Energy in Austin.

"Whenever I see him, he always thanks me for the experience of working at the well site. He tells me the experience was invaluable to his career," he said.

Participant DJ Galvan, an engineering student at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin, agreed, saying he expects the experience to pay dividends in the future as he pursues his career.

"It gave me a hands-on experience that I would not have received generally," he told the Reporter-Telegram by telephone. "They move you through the whole company to all positions. I got to work with new equipment throughout the program. It will not only make me a better employee, but a better engineer because I was able to be at ground zero."

Galvan already holds a degree in geology from Angelo State University and is pursuing his engineering degree at UTPB.

"My family has been in the industry for quite a while," he explained. Working in the industry, "I get to meet great people, and I value what the oil and gas industry does for our country."

Texas Tech student Heath Edgerton told the Reporter-Telegram he believes the practical experience he gained helping Cudd's fracturing crews will make his resume stand out.

"It's hard work; not just grunt work, but there's a lot of technicality, a lot of number crunching," he said. "It was hard work — 16, 18 hours a day. I sure learned my mind clicks a lot faster than my body. There were multiple days when were out there helping crews rig up and rig down — swinging a sledgehammer in 100 degree heat."

From the equipment operators to the managers at Cudd, all were helpful and informative, Edgerton said, and, most importantly, kept the interns safe alongside the crews.

Not only did he gain a better understanding of the completion and production process, but he learned how different companies have different preferences and different definitions of efficiency.

That could come in handy as he works toward his goal of owning his own oilfield services company, he said.

"It would be excellent for me to go and gain as much knowledge and experience as I can with a reputable company like Cudd, where things are done right instead of just enough," Edgerton said.

In addition to Galvan and Edgerton, summer interns included Muhammad Khan, Taylor Cooper, Colton Matus and Muzammil Said of Texas Tech University; Vincent Baiano of Louisiana State University; Hill Davenport of the University of Tulsa; Robert Dickey of the University of Texas; and Donovan Degnan of UTPB.

Their 10-week program included observing and participating in the execution of acid jobs, testing acid and frac fluids, performing solids analysis and breaker tests in the lab and several weeks participating in frac jobs and coiled tubing field operations. The final week included job design training and regulatory compliance training.

WTGS Symposium details why the 'PB is King'

By Mella McEwen
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Members of the West Texas Geological Society are taking their annual deep dive into the Permian's rocks with their 2017 Fall Symposium. This year's event is set for Sept. 27 and 28 at the Horseshoe, followed by a golf tournament and field trip Sept. 29-Oct. 1.

This year's theme is "PB is King," which not only acknowledges the region's dominance as an oil producing basin, but as a play on the name of USGS Geologist Philip B. King, who came to the area in the 1920s, working in the Marathon area.

"P.B. King had a significant impact as far as papers and studies. He made a significant contribution and we wanted to recognize that," explained David Osterlund, WTGS president.

Russell Richards, general chairman of the symposium, said the event, which has been held annually since 1989, will be the usual mix of operators willing to share their experiences and best practices and vendors discussing their latest technologies and services.

Osterlund said this year brings a variety of presentations that he believes reflects the level of activity in the Permian Basin. In fact, there were more submissions than slots, he said. "Everyone wants in the Permian Basin," he stated.

Osterlund agreed: "At the end of the day, it's geology. We have a deep basin and a tremendous number of stacked plays."

Said Richards, "The activity level in the Permian Basin is just phenomenal."

Richards said organizers have even enlarged the area occupied by vendors this year. There will also be space outside the venue for mud loggers or other vendors to display their large equipment.

"Our goal is 500 registered attendees," he said. "The big question mark is Houston." He explained that many majors and large independents oversee Permian operations out of their Houston offices or send Houston staff to the symposium, so it remains to be seen how the damage caused by Hurricane Harvey affects attendance.

Opening the event will be Art Berman, an industry veteran and petroleum geologist who generated controversy by questioning how prolific the emerging shale plays would be.

"He agreed this won't be a 'bash the shale' talk. His focus will be on supplies and how the Permian Basin fits in," said Richards. "He has legitimate, well thought-out, researched economic questions."

Berman agrees with the resources as presented on paper, "but his question is about economic recovery: What's the true production decline over the lifespan of the well; what happens when production flatlines and the long-term production curve," he continued.

Following Berman will be Stephanie Gaswirth with the U.S. Geological Survey, who will provide an update on the survey's assessment of undiscovered continuous resources in both the Midland and Delaware subbasins.

Oral presentations and poster sessions will continue through 5 p.m. Sept. 27. Osterlund said the networking luncheon will include a room for young professionals to gather and mingle with industry veterans if they wish.

Presentations will resume Sept. 28, ending at noon when the WTGS will provide an ethics luncheon presented by J.D. Faircloth. The symposium will conclude with an afternoon core workshop featuring 1,600 feet of core from six or seven Permian Basin wells.

Optional events include a Sept. 29 golf tournament at Hogan Park and a weekend field trip to the Glass Mountains.

BP plans pipeline IPO for up to $100 million by end of 2017

By Jordan Blum
Houston Chronicle

British oil and gas giant BP plans to spin off its U.S. pipeline business through an initial public offering by the end of the year.

BP said it will launch BP Midstream Partners through an IPO of up to $100 million that will trade on the New York Stock Exchange under the "BPMP" ticker. The new business will have a Houston headquarters with additional offices in Chicago.

The midstream business will primarily house BP's Gulf Coast and Midwest assets, specifically its Gulf of Mexico pipelines, processing and storage capacity connecting its deepwater Gulf platforms to Louisiana, as well as its pipeline assets and more affiliated with its Whiting refinery in Indiana.

BP originally said in July it was considering turning its U.S. pipeline business into a publicly traded master-limited partnership, which is a uniquely American tax-avoiding corporate structure that requires the companies to distribute most of their income to investors in payments similar to stock dividends. MLPs are most popular with pipeline companies.

Robert "Rip" Zinsmeister is taking over as the new BP Midstream CEO after serving nearly six years as BP's chief operating officer for mergers and acquisitions. The chief operating officer is Gerald Maret, who was president of BP Pipelines. And the chief financial officer is Craig Coburn, the former CFO for BP America.

Out of the so-called "Big Oil" giants, only Royal Dutch Shell already has an MLP, having launched Shell Midstream Partners in 2014.

Ethan Bellamy, an energy analyst at Robert W. Baird & Co., said BP is following the path laid out by its peers to bring more value to its pipelines assets. "Like its main peer, Shell, BP realizes that carving out and growing a midstream MLP will allow it to highlight assets that currently receive little, if any, value from BP shareholders but will be rewarded a handsome multiple from income investors as an MLP," Bellamy said.

He noted that companies primarily known for refining, like Phillips 66 and Marathon Petroleum, also have formed their own MLPs in recent years, and this makes sense with BP's pipelines near its Whiting refinery.

Petroleum Professional Development Center

All classes will be held at the Midland College PPDC building, 221 N. Main St.

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Instructor: Greg Hinterlong
Start Date: September 18-19, 2017 - Monday- Tuesday - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $625; Out of State $650

Right of Way Acquisitions Training
Instructor: Don Valden
Start Date: September 18, 2017 - Monday - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $500; Out of State - $525

Advanced Right of Way Acquisitions Training (Includes Field Trip)
Instructor: Don Valden
Start Date: September 19, 2017 - Tuesday - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $500; Out of State - $525

Introduction to Log Interpretation and Quality
Instructor: Gary Batcheller
Start Date: September 25-27, 2017 - Monday - Wednesday - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1095; Out of State: $1120

Introduction to Well Completion Design
Instructor: Gary Batcheller
Start Date: September 28 - 29, 2017 - Thursday - Friday - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $720; Out of State: $745

PetroSkills: Advanced Hydraulic Fracturing - AHF
Start Date: September 25-29, 2017 - Monday - Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
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Instructor: Celia Houston
Start Date: September 26-27, 2017 -Tuesday - Wednesday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Cost: $625; Out of State: $650

The Art of Technical Sales
Instructor: Paul Hughes
Start Date: September 29, 2017 - Friday - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $250; Out of State $275

On-Line Division Order Certificate Program: Module 1 of 6: Introduction to Division Order Practices
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: October 3, 2017; End Date: October 30, 2017; Registration Deadline: Noon, October 3, 2017
$612.50; Out of State: $637.50 - the required text is the NADOA Study Guide, which is $75 (one-time charge). Students need to join NADOA for $75 to download the "no cost" manual only available to members.

On-Line Land Management Certificate Program: Module 1 of 6: Introduction to Land Management Practices
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
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Instructor: Greg Hinterlong
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Well Control Drilling/ Workover (Well Sharp)
Instructor: Larry Chapman
Start Date: October 9-13, 2017, Mon - Fri, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1200; Out of State $1225

Optimizing Oilfield Systems Using Spreadsheet Models
Instructor: Peter L. Galusky, Jr., Ph.D., P.E.
Start Date: October 13, 2017 - Friday - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
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Carbonate Reservoir Characterization: The Lucia Method
Instructor: David M. Orchard
Start Date: October 16 - 17, 2017 - Monday - Tuesday -8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $400; Out of State: $425

SQL: Application to Oil/Gas Relational Database
Instructor: Celia Houston
Start Date: October 17 - Tuesday - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Cost: $375; Out of State: $400

Remediation & Restoration of Hydrocarbon & Brine Contaminated Soils
Instructor: Kerry Sublette
Start Date: October 18, 2017 - Wednesday - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $395; Out of State: $420

Completions and Stimulation for Geoscientists
Instructor: Dr. Jennifer Miskimins
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Cost: $375; Out of State $400

Petroleum Engineering for Non-Engineers
Instructor: Dr. Jennifer Miskimins
Start Date: October 19-20, 2017 - Thursday - Friday - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $695; Out of State $720

PetroSkills: Surface Production Operations - PO3
Instructor: Cliff Redus
Start Date: October 23-27, 2017 - Monday - Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $3900 - Register directly with PetroSkills on the PPDC Website: www.midland.edu/ppdc

Petroleum Geology for Non Geologists
Instructor: Paul Pause
Start Date: October 23-26, 2017 - Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $1660; Out of State $1835

Polymer Gels for Conformance-Improvement
Instructor: Randy Seright
Date: October 23, 2017 - Monday - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $375; Out of State: $400

Introduction to FME for Petroleum
Instructor: Jennifer Harrison
Date: October 30-31, 2017 - Monday - Tuesday - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $960; Out of State $985

Introduction GIS Concepts for Petroleum
Instructor: Jennifer Harrison
Date: November 1 - 3, 2017 - Wednesday - Friday - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $1440; Out of State $1465

On-Line Division Order Certificate Program: Module 2 of 6: Land Titles, Title Examination, and Title Opinions
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: November 3, 2017; End Date: November 29, 2017; Registration Deadline: Noon, November 3, 2017
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50 - the required text is the NADOA Study Guide, which is $75 (one-time charge). Students need to join NADOA for $75 to download the "no cost" manual only available to members.

On-Line Land Management Certificate Program: Module 2 of 6: Title: Chaining, Interpreting, and Curing Title
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: November 3, 2017; End Date: November 29, 2017; Registration Deadline: Noon, November 3, 2017
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50

PetroSkills: Oil & Gas Processing Facilities for Operations Managers - OT-1
Instructor: Alan Royer
Start Date: November 6-10, 2017 - Monday - Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $3840 - Register directly with PetroSkills on the PPDC Website: www.midland.edu/ppdc

Economic Evaluation and Investment Decision Methods
Instructor: John Stermole
Start Date: November 6 -9, 2017 - Monday - Thursday - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $2595; Out of State $2620

PetroSkills: CO2 Surface Facilities - PF81
Instructor: Paul Carmody
Start Date: November 13-16, 2017 - Monday - Thursday - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $3595 - Register directly with PetroSkills on the PPDC Website: www.midland.edu/ppdc

Gas Lift Design and Operation
Instructor: Mike Johnson
Date: November 27 -30, 2017 - Monday - Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1800, Out of State $1825

On-Line Division Order Certificate Program: Module 3 of 6: Land and Leasing
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: December 1, 2017; End Date: December 29, 2017; Registration Deadline: Noon, December 1, 2017
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50 - the required text is the NADOA Study Guide, which is $75 (one-time charge). Students need to join NADOA for $75 to download the "no cost" manual only available to members.

On-Line Land Management Certificate Program: Module 3 of 6: Title: Oil & Gas Lease Interpretation, Negotiation and Interest Calculations
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: December 1, 2017; End Date: December 29, 2017; Registration Deadline: Noon, December 1, 2017
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50

PetroSkills: Fundamentals of Pump & Compressor Systems - ME- 44
Instructor: Gerald Guidroz
Start Date: December 4-8, 2017 - Monday - Thursday - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $4100 - Register directly with PetroSkills on the PPDC Website: www.midland.edu/ppdc

Well Control Drilling/Workover (WellSharp)
Instructor: Larry Chapman
Start Date: December 4 - 8, 2017 - Monday - Friday - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1200; Out of State

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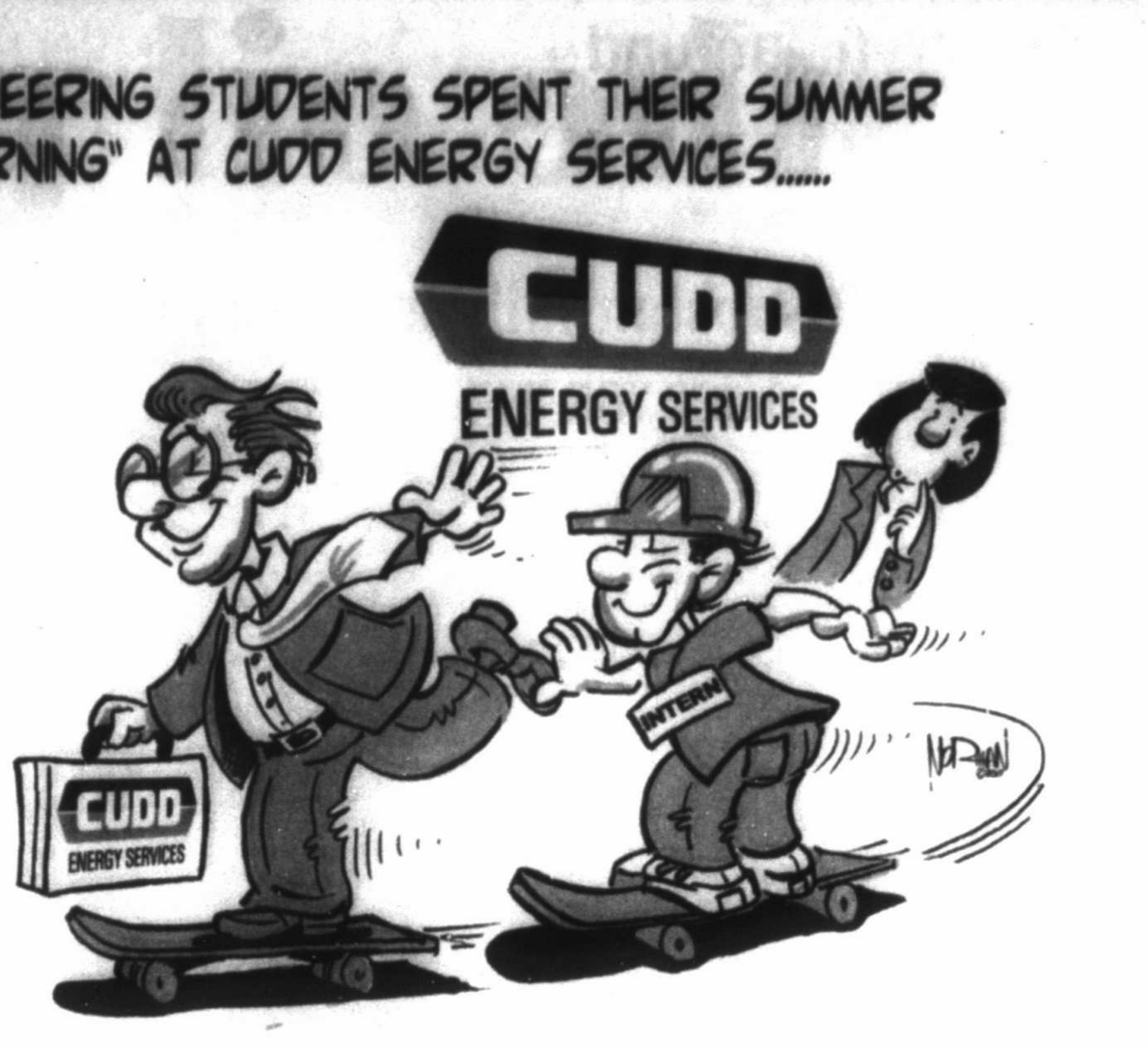


MID-WEEK WTI AVERAGE PRICES

Posted	$44.90	Shell Trading	$45.90
Energy Transfer Partners*	$45.50		
Flint Hills Resources*	$45.75	Nymex futures	$48.43*
Phillips 66	$45.92	Net price without transportation charge	
Plains*	$45.75	Note: Posted prices as of Sept. 13	

Magellan partners with Valero for Pasadena marine terminal near Houston

By Jordan Blum
Houston Chronicle

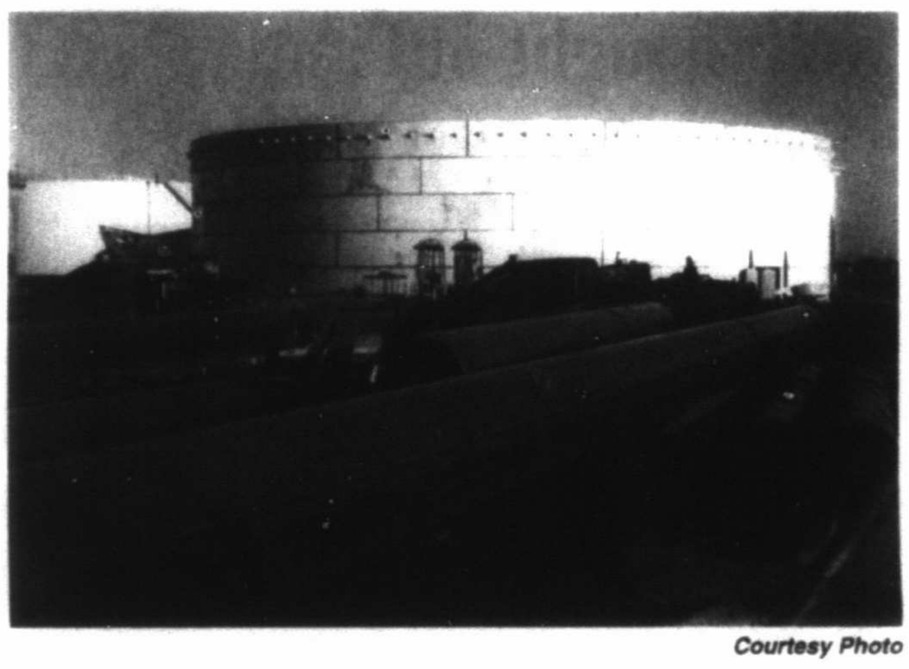
Magellan Midstream said it's partnering with Valero Energy to expand and own its new Pasadena marine storage terminal along the Houston Ship Channel.

Oklahoma-based Magellan and San Antonio's Valero are two of the biggest energy players in the Houston area and both had issues with leaks or spills after Hurricane Harvey in the region.

The $820 million Pasadena terminal mostly will store and handle fuel products like gasoline, diesel, jet fuel and more. The facility will be owned jointly by Magellan and Valero to initially include 5 million barrels of storage, truck-loading facilities and two ship docks.

The first phase of the project with 1 million barrels of storage is already under construction. The expansion project is slated for completion in 2020.

The terminal will connect to major pipeline networks, as well as Valero's Houston refinery and Magellan's Galena Park terminal. Both existing facilities had issues with storage tank leaks after Harvey. The Valero refinery had a benzene release, while Magellan suffered the largest known spill caused by Harvey, a spill of about 11,000 barrels of gasoline and gas blend stock.



Courtesy Photo

The massive BridgeTex Pipeline was completed in 2014 and terminates in east Houston. The pipeline — owned by Magellan Midstream and Plains All American Pipeline — carries Permian Basin crude oil from Colorado City to Houston. The pipeline was expanded to 400,000 barrels a day of capacity this year and the owners are currently weighing an additional expansion to 440,000 barrels daily.

"Magellan is pleased to join forces with Valero to combine our extensive pipeline and terminals capabilities with their world-renowned refining and marketing expertise to further expand the state-of-the-art marine facility being constructed in Pasadena," said Magellan CEO Michael Mears. "Demand for refined products from the Gulf Coast continues to grow and, together, we are well-positioned to continue expanding our marine capabilities to meet this demand from both domestic and international markets."

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New Mexico Tech professor addresses SEPM

Members of the Permian basin section, SEPM will meet at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday in the Carrasco Room at Midland College.

Dr. Kent Condie of New Mexico Tech will present "The Beginning of Plate Tectonics."

Cost is $20, including lunch. Reservations can be made by calling 279-1360 or by email at info@pbs-sepm.org. Online registration is available at www.pbs-sepm.org and clicking on the Talks tab.

SIPES to hear about New Mexico water quality

The Midland chapter, Society of Independent Professional Earth Scientists (SIPES) will meet at 11:15 a.m. Wednesday in the upstairs ballroom at Midland Country Club.

The guest speaker will be Lewis Land of the National Cave and Karst Research Institute in Carlsbad, New Mexico, who will speak on "Overview of Fresh and Brackish Water Quality in New Mexico."

There is no charge for members; $20 for guests.

Concho Resources proposes senior notes offering

Concho Resources Inc. intends, subject to market conditions, to publicly offer two new series of its senior unsecured notes, one of which will mature in 2027 and the other in 2047.

The 2027 notes and the 2047 notes will be issued pursuant to new supplemental indentures to the company's existing base indenture, in each case in an aggregate principal amount to be determined at pricing. The 2027 notes and the 2047 notes will be fully and unconditionally guaranteed by all of Concho's current subsidiaries. Concho intends to use the net proceeds from the offering, together with cash on hand and borrowings under its credit facility, to fund the purchase of its 5.5 percent Senior Notes due 2022 and 5.5 percent Senior notes due 2023 pursuant to a proposed tender offer and the redemption of any 5.5 percent notes that remain outstanding after completion or termination of the tender offer.

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Plunger lift substantially increases net income in mature Permian wells

As wells mature, many Permian Basin operators assume that they have to put up with the costs and operating challenges associated with these wells.

Flowing wells often accumulate fluids in the bottom of the wellbore as flow rates decline below the critical rate. When this happens, liquid loading starts holding back production unless dealt with by installing artificial lift.

Many times operators try to deal with liquids in flowing wells by swabbing them out manually or by dropping surfactants down the tubing or casing in order to lighten the gradient of the fluid column. Sometimes they shut the well in to build up enough pressure to blow the liquids to the surface (known as intermitting). All these methods are costly, time-consuming and, in the case of intermitting, can permanently reduce the flow rate of the well.

As for rod pumping, this method may have been appropriate in a well's early stages but, as rates and profits decrease, the well may do much better switching to plunger lift.

For more than 29 years, Production Lift Companies' Mike Swihart has repeatedly seen plunger lift installations boost production of oil and gas wells, while reducing lifting costs by as much as 90 percent. The reduction in overhead alone is worth giving plunger lift serious consideration in mature wells.

Here are examples of Permian Basin flowing and rod-pumped wells that greatly benefitted from plunger lift.

Flowing Well 1: This well, in Crane Co., had some erratic production and had to have paraffin cut every two weeks. After installation of the plunger lift system, production improved from 12 BBL/D to 18 BBL/D and the need for paraffin cutting was eliminated. Net operating income increased by $191,625 on an annualized basis.

Flowing Well 2: This Midland Co. well, was being "intermitted" by shutting in and opening it every few days. Plunger lift automated the process and doubled the average daily production, from 4 BBL/D to 8 BBL/D increasing net operating income $116,800 on an annualized basis.

Rod Pumped Well 1: This was a multi-zone vertical well in Reagan Co. The well had rod part issues due to a deviated wellbore. After replacing the rod pump with plunger lift, average daily oil production doubled from 2 BBL/D to 4 BBL/D. Expenses associated with rod parts and pulling units were eliminated and net operating income increased $52,880 on an annualized basis.

Rod Pumped Well 2: Another multi zone vertical well, this one in Sterling Co., had sufficient gas and pressure to run a plunger lift system. After installation, daily average production increased from 6 BBL/D to 8 BBL/D. Net operating income increased by $63,830 on an annualized basis.

Plunger lift is such a low cost alternative compared to other lift methods, it would be a shame not to try it in any well where there is sufficient downhole gas and pressure.

If you have questions about the cost savings or application of plunger lift, or would like to have some additional training call Production Lift today.

Contact Production Lift Companies at 432-699-1200 or 800-594-3887 or www.productionlift.com.

Plunger Lift Results

	START AVG OIL (BBL/D)	END OIL (BBL/D)	START AVG GAS (MCFD)	END GAS (MCFD)	EXPENSE (Dollars)	PAYOUT (Days)	Increase 12 Mo Net Income (NOI)
Flowing Wells							
WELL #1	12	18	125	200	$8,770	21	$191,625
WELL #2	4	8	90	130	$9,675	33	$116,800
WELL #3	2	5	70	145	$14,900	48	$136,665
Rod Pumped Wells							
WELL #1	2	4	18	22	$14,850	132	$52,880
WELL #2	6	8	61	65	$15,475	109	$63,830
WELL #3	15	20	100	120	$17,650	57	$125,150
Plunger Lift Wells							
WELL #1	7	10	45	65	$5,600	27	$76,650
WELL #2	40	45	200	220	$3,750	12	$113,150
WELL #3	22	26	270	300	$2,300	9	$94,900
				Totals:	$92,970		$971,650

Note: Economics based on $3/MCF and $50/BBL & $1,000/Mo Avg. Rod Pump Expense

This chart shows examples of wells seeing a tenfold rate of return with plunger lift.

Halcón's Rodney Byrd: ePower's work was 'extremely well thought-out and well put-together'

From this aerial view you can see the right of way for power and for the pipeline (frac ponds in background). Proper power planning prevents problems, promoting production in the future. Call ePower at 432-695-4995 to learn more.

For many companies acquiring new assets," infrastructure is the least recognized piece of an oil and gas field, but it's one of the most critical pieces," says Halcón Resources Rodney Byrd. Byrd is the companies production superintendent for West Texas Operations.

In reality, "The first thing you want to do when you acquire a field is understand what its inherent problems might be—look at it from a 50,000 foot standpoint to try to understand, 'this is where we're at, and this is where we're going,'" he said. "And what is it going to take to get us there."

Halcón recently acquired a field with existing production, in which they plan to add a number of wells over the next 10 years. They needed to understand the field's current grid status and what would be required for it to support the company's planned growth.

Not evaluating the power grid can bottleneck the operation and production of future wells. "Wrong-size pipe, wrong-size power, not enough access to land needed to run your power grid," to run pipelines, build drill pads and all can limit the ability to produce new wells.

Byrd knew he needed an experienced and trustworthy company to evaluate the existing field, to understand Halcón's plans for expansion and to recommend and design a system that would allow seamless expansion. He was looking for a 10-year plan.

He found Toni Gordon and her ePower team through his network. "I visited with several other companies, ePower's name popped up on the radar." He was told that ePower knew all about power distribution so he called ePower to discuss his plans.

For Halcón, ePower provided distribution system design, code research, bid preparation for the installation work required, guidance and experience, Byrd said. Gordon herself has more than 18 years' experience working both for power companies and producers concerning field power issues. She founded the Permian Basin Petroleum Association Electrical Coalition and is its chairman. The ePower team combines for more than 65 years' experience.

Halcón is currently upgrading their existing grid and is starting the second phase, which involves preparing for new wells, all based on ePower's input and designs.

One thing that particularly impressed Byrd was that Gordon and her associates presented him with alternatives rather than trying to dictate a particular plan. They also worked with Halcón's needs for a quick solution.

"They took it upon themselves to manage themselves—not overspend the budget, understand our needs, build a fit-for-purpose process that got us up and running" on schedule.

He also appreciated the fact ePower's brought up answers to questions Byrd didn't know to ask—helping prevent unexpected issues.

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Reagan County

Discovery Natural Resources LLC
Hickman N #2074AS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 375 fnl, 3973 fwl, Sec 207, Blk 1, Abst. 564, T&P RR, 7 e Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-39991 Permit issued 9/5

Discovery Natural Resources LLC
Hickman O #2074SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 375 fnl, 4013 fwl, Sec 207, Blk 1, Abst. 564, T&P RR, 7 e Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-39992 Permit issued 9/5

Discovery Natural Resources LLC
Hickman P #2075AS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 375 fnl, 4053 fwl, Sec 207, Blk 1, Abst. 564, T&P RR, 7 e Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-39993 Permit issued 9/5

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Victor 1223 #4804H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 536 fsl, 638 fwl, Sec 2, Abst. 192, H. Eicke, 13.3 nw Big Lake; TD 9200; API #42-383-39994 Permit issued 9/8

SEM Operating Company LLC
University 9 #2830WB
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 7360 fnl, 5061 fwl, Sec 27, Blk 9, Abst. 197U, ULS, 10 nw Big Lake; TD 10000; API #42-383-39988 Permit issued 9/5

Tom Green County

Banner Operating LLC
Funk #3818
Funk (San Andres); 990 fsl, 990 fel, Sec 38, Blk 5, Abst. 7190, H&TC RR, 23 nw San Angelo; TD 2000; API #42-451-32864 Permit issued 9/11

Banner Operating LLC
Livingston #1102
Funk (San Andres); 330 fnl, 330 fel, Sec 11, Blk 5, Abst. 892, H&TC RR, 20 nw San Angelo; TD 2000; API #42-451-32865 Permit issued 9/11

Upton County

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Brook A-2 #7H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 370 fsl, 1168 fel, Sec 2, Blk A, Abst. 720, CCSD&RGNG, 14.2 sw Midkiff; TD 10100; API #42-461-40657 Permit issued 9/5

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Brook A-2 #8H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 370 fsl, 1148 fel, Sec 2, Blk A, Abst. 720, CCSD&RGNG, 14.2 sw Midkiff; TD 10100; API #42-461-40658 Permit issued 9/5

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Brook A-2 #9H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 370 fsl, 1128 fel, Sec 2, Blk A, Abst. 720, CCSD&RGNG, 14.2 sw Midkiff; TD 10100; API #42-461-40659 Permit issued 9/5

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Andrews County

COG Operating LLC
Mabee 240C #1106LH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 3776 fsl, 7058 fwl, Sec 11, Blk 40, T-2-N, Abst. 32, T&P RR, 17 se Andrews; TD 9800; API #42-003-47642 Permit issued 9/8

Ring Energy Inc.
Underwood B #3H
Block A-34 (San Andres)-Horizontal; 250 fnl, 380 fwl, Sec 16, Blk A-34, Abst. 829, PSL, 10 nw Andrews; TD 5100; API #42-003-47640 Permit issued 9/8

Ring Energy Inc.
Underwood C#3H
Block A-34 (San Andres)-Horizontal; 600 fsl, 404 fwl, Sec 14, Blk A-34, Abst. 1838, PSL, 10 nw Andrews; TD 5100; API #42-003-47639 Permit issued 9/8

Crane County

Paladin Petroleum III LLC
Cowden #1H
Lea (San Andres)-Horizontal; 1320 fwl, 853 fnl, Sec 80, Blk X, Abst. 603, CCSD&RGNG, 8.5 w Crane; TD 4000; API #42-103-36582 Permit issued 9/8

Culberson County

BHP Billiton Pet (TXOK OP) Co.
MDJ Minerals 58-T2-22 #W108H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 150 fnl, 1519 fwl, Sec 27, Blk 58, T-2, Abst. 2671, T&P RR, 8.36 nw Orla; TD 14000; API #42-109-33180 Permit issued 9/8

Cimarex Energy Co.
Animal Kingdom 44 Unit #10H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 330 fnl, 910 fwl, Sec 44, Blk 59, T-1, Abst. 4776, T&P RR, 17.2 nw Orla; TD 15000; API #42-109-33178 Permit issued 9/5

Cimarex Energy Co.
Animal Kingdom 44 Unit #9H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 330 fnl, 930 fwl, Sec 44, Blk 59, T-1, Abst. 4776, T&P RR, 17.2 nw Orla; TD 15000; API #42-109-33177 Permit issued 9/5

Cimarex Energy Co.
Animal Kingdom 44 Unit #5H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 330 fnl, 1955 fwl, Sec 44, Blk 59, T-1, Abst. 4776, T&P RR, 17.2 nw Orla; TD 15000; API #42-109-33173 Permit issued 9/5

Cimarex Energy Co.
Animal Kingdom 44 Unit #8H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 330 fnl, 950 fwl, Sec 44, Blk 59, T-1, Abst. 4776, T&P RR, 17.2 nw Orla; TD 15000; API #42-109-33176 Permit issued 9/5

Cimarex Energy Co.
Animal Kingdom 44 Unit #11H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 330 fnl, 890 fwl, Sec 44, Blk 59, T-1, Abst. 4776, T&P RR, 17.2 nw Orla; TD 15000; API #42-109-33179 Permit issued 9/5

Glasscock County

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Tom-Corson 41D #4H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1185 fwl, 795 fsl, Sec 41, Blk 35, T-1-S, Abst. 289, T&P RR, 21.1 nw Garden City; TD 10000; API #42-173-37712 Permit issued 9/5

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Tom-Corson 41E #5H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1205 fwl, 795 fsl, Sec 41, Blk 35, T-1-S, Abst. 289, T&P RR, 21.1 nw Garden City; TD 10000; API #42-173-37710 Permit issued 9/5

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Tom-Corson 41F #6H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1225 fwl, 795 fsl, Sec 41, Blk 35, T-1-S, Abst. 289, T&P RR, 21.1 nw Garden City; TD 10000; API #42-173-37711 Permit issued 9/5

Howard County

Energen Resources Corporation
Parks NS 17-28 05 #105H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 200 fnl, 964 fel, Sec 17, Blk 34, T-1-N, Abst. 527, T&P RR, 9.9 ne Stanton; TD 9500; API #42-227-39260 Permit issued 9/7

Energen Resources Corporation
Parks NS 17-28 04 #104H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 200 fnl, 1978 fel, Sec 17, Blk 34, T-1-N, Abst. 527, T&P RR, 9.9 ne Stanton; TD 9500; API #42-227-39278 Permit issued 9/8

Energen Resources Corporation
Parks NS 17-28 03 #103H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 200 fnl, 2178 fwl, Sec 17, Blk 34, T-1-N, Abst. 527, T&P RR, 9.9 ne Stanton; TD 9500; API #42-227-39258 Permit issued 9/8

Sabalo Operating LLC
Ginger 22-27 #1AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 266 fwl, 422 fsl, Sec 15, Blk 32, T-2-N, Abst. 270, T&P RR, 7.37 se Vealmoor; TD 9000; API #42-227-39257 Permit issued 9/5

SM Energy Company
Kramer C #4843WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 252 fnl, 311 fel, Sec 48, Blk 33, T-2-N, Abst. 1479, T&P RR, 8.1 nw Big Spring; TD 10500; API #42-227-39264 Permit issued 9/8

SM Energy Company
Kramer C #4862WB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 252 fnl, 281 fel, Sec 48, Blk 33, T-2-N, Abst. 1479, T&P RR, 8.1 nw Big Spring; TD 10500; API #42-227-39268 Permit issued 9/8

SM Energy Company
Kramer B #4842WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 243 fnl, 861 fwl, Sec 48, Blk 33, T-2-N, Abst. 1479, T&P RR, 8.2 nw Big Spring; TD 10500; API #42-227-39251 Permit issued 9/5

SM Energy Company
Kramer A #4841WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 243 fnl, 801 fwl, Sec 48, Blk 33, T-2-N, Abst. 1479, T&P RR, 8.2 nw Big Spring; TD 10500; API #42-227-39253 Permit issued 9/6

SM Energy Company
Kramer A #4861WB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 243 fnl, 831 fwl, Sec 48, Blk 33, T-2-N, Abst. 1479, T&P RR, 8.2 nw Big Spring; TD 10500; API #42-227-39256 Permit issued 9/8

SM Energy Company
Costanza A #4845WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2935 fsl, 2533 fwl, Sec 48, Blk 33, T-2-N, Abst. 1479, T&P RR, 8.1 nw Big Spring; TD 10400; API #42-227-39249 Permit issued 9/5

SM Energy Company
Costanza A #4863WB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2395 fsl, 2563 fwl, Sec 48, Blk 33, T-2-N, Abst. 1479, T&P RR, 8.1 nw Big Spring; TD 10500; API #42-227-39252 Permit issued 9/5

SM Energy Company
Costanza B #4846WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2449 fnl, 1364 fel, Sec 48, Blk 33, T-2-N, Abst. 1503, T&P RR, 8.2 nw Big Spring; TD 10500; API #42-227-39270 Permit issued 9/8

SM Energy Company
Costanza C #4847WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2450 fnl, 1334 fel, Sec 48, Blk 33, T-2-N, Abst. 1503, T&P RR, 8.2 nw Big Spring; TD 10400; API #42-227-39254 Permit issued 9/7

Loving County

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Ricochet 29-40 Unit #5H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 96 fsl, 1606 fwl, Sec 40, Blk 29, Abst. 963, PSL, 9.1 e Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33637 Permit issued 9/5

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Ricochet 29-40 Unit #6H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 93 fsel, 1039 fnel, Sec 40, Blk 29, Abst. 963, PSL, 9.5 e Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33640 Permit issued 9/6

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Ricochet 29-40 Unit #7H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 93 fsel, 1009 fnel, Sec 40, Blk 29, Abst. 963, PSL, 9.5 e Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33638 Permit issued 9/5

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Ricochet 29-40 Unit #8H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 93 fsel, 979 fnel, Sec 40, Blk 29, Abst. 963, PSL, 9.5 e Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33639 Permit issued 9/5

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Bullhead 55-1-22 Unit B #13H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 400 fnl, 218 fwl, Sec 22, Blk 55, T-1, Abst. 1160, T&P RR, 19.18 nw Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33629 Permit issued 9/5

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Bullhead 55-1-22 Unit B #14H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 400 fnl, 188 fwl, Sec 22, Blk 55, T-1, Abst. 1160, T&P RR, 19.18 nw Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33641 Permit issued 9/6

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Shock-N-Awe Unit 29-41 #3H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 614 fswl, 143 fnwl, Sec 41, Blk 29, Abst. 1195, PSL, 7.9 ne Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33620 Permit issued 9/5

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Shock-N-Awe Unit 29-41 #4H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 645 fswl, 143 fsel, Sec 41, Blk 29, Abst. 1195, PSL, 7.9 ne Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33642 Permit issued 9/6

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Shock-N-Awe Unit 29-41 #5H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 1627 fswl, 6 fnwl, Sec 41, Blk 29, Abst. 1195, PSL, 8 ne Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33643 Permit issued 9/6

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Law Dog 29-41 Unit #4H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 6 fsel, 1597 fswl, Sec 41, Blk 29, Abst. 1195, PSL, 8 e Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33623 Permit issued 9/5

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Law Dog 29-41 Unit #5H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 5 fsel, 2126 fswl, Sec 41, Blk 29, Abst. 1195, PSL, 8 e Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33625 Permit issued 9/5

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Law Dog 29-41 Unit #6H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 3 fsel, 2171 fnel, Sec 41, Blk 29, Abst. 1195, PSL, 8.3 e Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33626 Permit issued 9/5

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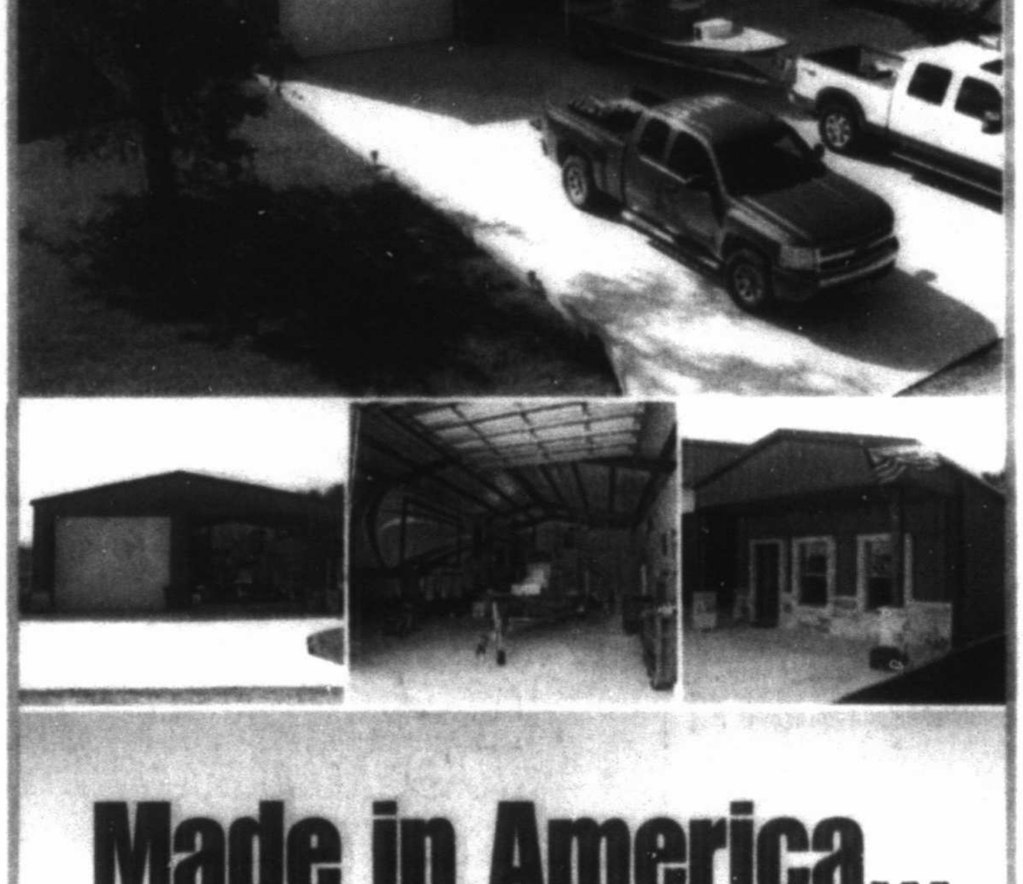

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EOG Resources Inc.
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EOG Resources Inc.
Link VJ Ranch 23-11 D #4H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 2507 fsl, 2017 fwl, Sec 23, Blk 55, T-2, Abst. 127, T&P RR, 11.8 nw Mentone; TD 14000; API#42-301-33631 Permit issued 9/5

EOG Resources Inc.
Link VJ Ranch 14-23 E #5H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 260 fsl, 2024 fel, Sec 11, Blk 55, T-2, Abst. 121, T&P RR, 11.8 nw Mentone; TD 14000; API#42-301-33632 Permit issued 9/5

EOG Resources Inc.
Link VJ Ranch 14-23 F #6H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 260 fsl, 1989 fel, Sec 11, Blk 55, T-2, Abst. 121, T&P RR, 11.8 nw Mentone; TD 14000; API#42-301-33633 Permit issued 9/5

EOG Resources Inc.
Link VJ Ranch 14-23 G #7H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 359 fsl, 482 fel, Sec 11, Blk 55, T-2, Abst. 121, T&P RR, 11.8 nw Mentone; TD 14000; API#42-301-33634 Permit issued 9/5

EOG Resources Inc.
Link VJ Ranch 14-23 H #8H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 359 fsl, 447 fel, Sec 11, Blk 55, T-2, Abst. 121, T&P RR, 11.8 nw Mentone; TD 14000; API#42-301-33635 Permit issued 9/5

RKI Exploration & Production Inc.
Lindsay 10-3A #1SL
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 611 fwl, 2090 fsl, Sec 10, Blk 55, T-1, Abst. 1155, T&P RR, 20.7 nw Mentone; TD 16000; API #42-301-33644 Permit issued 9/8

RKI Exploration & Production Inc.
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Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 1749 fwl, 260 fnl, Sec 3, Blk 55, T-1, Abst. 93, T&P RR, 20.8 nw Mentone; TD 16000; API #42-301-33645 Permit issued 9/8

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Lindsay 10-3D #4H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 611 fwl, 2040 fsl, Sec 10, Blk 55, T-1, Abst. 1155, T&P RR, 20.7 nw Mentone; TD 16000; API #42-301-33647 Permit issued 9/8

RKI Exploration & Production Inc.
Lindsay 10-3E #5H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 1749 fwl, 185 fnl, Sec 3, Blk 55, T-1, Abst. 93, T&P RR, 20.8 nw Mentone; TD 16000; API #42-301-33648 Permit issued 9/8

RKI Exploration & Production Inc.
Lindsay 10-3F #6H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 1749 fwl, 210 fnl, Sec 3, Blk 55, T-1, Abst. 93, T&P RR, 20.8 nw Mentone; TD 16000; API #42-301-33649 Permit issued 9/8

RKI Exploration & Production Inc.
Lindsay 10-3G #7H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 1749 fwl, 235 fnl, Sec 3, Blk 55, T-1, Abst. 93, T&P RR, 20.8 nw Mentone; TD 16000; API #42-301-33650 Permit issued 9/8

Martin County

Ajax Resources LLC
Vineyard HZ O Unit #1701MS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 300 fwl, 589 fnl, Sec 263, Abst. 612, Kent CSL, 16.9 nw Tarzan; TD 8800; API #42-317-41000 Permit issued 9/8

Ajax Resources LLC
Vineyard HZ O Unit #1701LS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 330 fwl, 589 fnl, Sec 263, Abst. 612, Kent CSL, 16.9 nw Tarzan; TD 9500; API #42-317-41001 Permit issued 9/8

Ajax Resources LLC
Vineyard HZ O Unit #1701WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 360 fwl, 589 fnl, Sec 6, Blk 38, T-1-N, Abst. 403, G&MMB&A, 16.9 nw Tarzan; TD 10000; API #42-317-41002 Permit issued 9/8

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Stroud B #3
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1980 fnl, 672 fel, Sec 7, Blk 36, T-1-S, Abst. 198, T&P RR, 4.5 w Stanton; TD 11200; API #42-317-40999 Permit issued 9/6

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Mabee Ranch 1V #22H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 257 fel, 512 fsl, Sec 1, Blk 39, T-1-N, Abst. 387, G&MMB&A, 20.6 nw Stanton; TD 10000; API #42-317-40998 Permit issued 9/5

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Mabee Ranch 1X #24H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2437 fwl, 512 fsl, Sec 1, Blk 39, T-1-N, Abst. 387, G&MMB&A, 20.6 nw Stanton; TD 10000; API #42-317-40993 Permit issued 9/5

XTO Energy Inc
Strain 20 Unit 2 #2008BH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 208 fel, 1268 fsl, Sec 8, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 621, T&P RR, 6.3 se Lenorah; TD 8950; API #42-317-41003 Permit issued 9/8

XTO Energy Inc
Strain 20 Unit 2 #2048SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 307 fel, 1266 fsl, Sec 8, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 621, T&P RR, 6.3 se Lenorah; TD 8050; API #42-317-41005 Permit issued 9/11

Midland County

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc.
Davidson 36A #1HE
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 285 fsl, 250 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 40, T-4-S, Abst. 305, T&P RR, 22.45 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-41953 Permit issued 9/7

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc.
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Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 275 fwl, 285 fsl, Sec 25, Blk 40, T-4-S, Abst. 305, T&P RR, 22.45 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-41954 Permit issued 9/5

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc.
Davidson 36B #3HE
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 285 fsl, 325 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 40, T-4-S, Abst. 305, T&P RR, 22.45 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-41941 Permit issued 9/11

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc.
Davidson 36B #4HF
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 285 fsl, 350 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 40, T-4-S, Abst. 305, T&P RR, 22.45 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-41942 Permit issued 9/11

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
Rio San Marcos 36-45 Unit 1 #233
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 471 fsl, 1925 fel, Sec 33, Blk 39, T-3-S, Abst. 211, T&P RR, 13.9 sw Spraberry; TD 11000; API #42-329-41960 Permit issued 9/6

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
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Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Hogan 1-24A #4201H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1840 fnl, 240 fwl, Sec 1, Blk X, Abst. 11, H.P. Hilliard, 3.6 n Midland; TD 10000; API #42-329-41948 Permit issued 9/6

Summit Petroleum LLC
Banay BB #04WB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 250 fsl, 3742 fel, Sec 7, Blk 41, T-4-S, Abst. 394, T&P RR, 24.8 sw Midland; TD 10200; API #42-329-41956 Permit issued 9/8

Summit Petroleum LLC
Banay BC #06WB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 250 fsl, 3782 fel, Sec 7, Blk 41, T-4-S, Abst. 394, T&P RR, 24.8 sw Midland; TD 10200; API #42-329-41961 Permit issued 9/8

XTO Energy Inc.
TXL 27 Unit 3 #3413AH
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 1728 fwl, 1382 fnl, Sec 27, Blk 39, T-4-S, Abst. 231, T&P RR, 21.3 se Midland; TD 9690; API #42-329-41959 Permit issued 9/8

Reeves County

Carrizo (Permian) LLC
Allar State Unit 2877 #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 329 fnel, 310 fsel, Sec 77, Abst. 3912, R. Talbot, 6.7 ne Pecos; TD 12000; API #42-389-36326 Permit issued 9/8

Centennial Resource Production LLC
Sieber Trust #U 13H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 300 fsl, 1320 fwl, Sec 5, Blk 6, Abst. 42, H&GN RR, 5.9 s Pecos; TD 11000; API #42-389-36285 Permit issued 9/6

Centennial Resource Production LLC
Sisber Trust #B 13H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 300 fsl, 1350 fwl, Sec 5, Blk 6, Abst. 42, H&GN RR, 5.9 s Pecos; TD 11000; API #42-389-36286 Permit issued 9/6

NBL Permian LLC
Black Cobra 1-2 Unit B #11H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 567 fnl, 415 fel, Sec 1, Blk 54, T-7-S, Abst. 210, T&P RR, 13.7 sw Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-36307 Permit issued 9/6

NBL Permian LLC
Black Cobra 1-2 Unit B #66H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 536 fnl, 415fel, Sec 1, Blk 54, T-7-S, Abst. 210, T&P RR, 13.7 sw Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-36308 Permit issued 9/6

Oxy USA WTP LP
McCullough 35-38-2S State #14H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 372 fsl, 2631 fel, Sec 26, Blk 51, T-7-S, Abst. 2278, T&P RR, 14.6 s Pecos; TD 14000; API #42-389-36329 Permit issued 9/8

Ward County

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
SRO 34-178 Unit #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 689 fsel, 1030 fswl, Sec 177, Blk 34, Abst. 267, H&TC RR, 5.7 ne Barstow; TD 12500; API #42-475-37316 Permit issued 9/8

Blackbeard Operating LLC
Queen Annes Revenge #8
Marston Ranch (Clearfork); 990 fsl, 330 fel, Sec 26, Blk B-18, Abst. 1218, PSL, 6.8 se Monahans; TD 7000; API #42-475-37317 Permit issued 9/6

COG Operating LLC
California Chrome Unit #5003H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 240 fnel, 245 fnwl, Sec 50, Blk 33, Abst. 1038, H&TC RR, 5 nw Barstow; TD 10900; API #42-475-37291 Permit issued 9/11

Winkler County

Blackbeard Operating LLC
Hornswoggle #2
Monahans North (Clearfork); 467 fnl, 853 fel, Sec 71, Blk A, Abst. 56, G&MMB&A, 10.1 nw Monahans; TD 7000; API #42-495-33924 Permit issued 9/7

Blackbeard Operating LLC
Commandeer #1
Monahans North (Clearfork); 854 fsl, 1787 fel, Sec 73, Blk A, Abst. 58, G&MMB&A, 7.9 nw Monahans; TD 7000; API #42-495-33920 Permit issued 9/6

Blackbeard Operating LLC
Commandeer #2
Monahans North (Clearfork); 467 fnl, 1787 fel, Sec 73, Blk A, Abst. 58, G&MMB&A, 8.2 nw Monahans; TD 7000; API #42-495-33921 Permit issued 9/6

Blackbeard Operating LLC
Commandeer #3
Monahans North (Clearfork); 535 fnl, 467 fel, Sec 73, Blk A, Abst. 58, G&MMB&A, 8.1 nw Monahans; TD 7000; API #42-495-33922 Permit issued 9/6

Blackbeard Operating LLC
Commandeer #4
Monahans North (Clearfork); 854 fsl, 467 fel, Sec 73, Blk A, Abst. 58, G&MMB&A, 7.9 nw Monahans; TD 7000; API #42-495-33923 Permit issued 9/6

Texas RRCD 8A

Dawson County

Texland Petroleum LP
Northeast Ackerly Dean Unit #115
Ackerly (Dean Sand); 1062 fsl, 2235 fwl, Sec 30, Blk 34, T-4-N, Abst. 644, T&P RR, 6 nw Ackerly; TD 8800; API #42-115-33765 Permit issued 9/11

Texland Petroleum LP
Northeast Ackerly Dean Unit #116
Ackerly (Dean Sand); 1305 fnl, 2785 fel, Sec 30, Blk 34, T-4-N, Abst. 644, T&P RR, 6 nw Ackerly; TD 8800; API #42-115-33766 Permit issued 9/11

Gaines County

Ring Energy Inc.
Ares #1H
Harris (San Andres)-Horizontal; 150 fnl, 2550 fwl, Sec 23, Blk A-22, Abst. 735, PSL, 15 nw Andrews; TD 5100; API #42-165-38601 Permit issued 9/8

New Mexico

Chaves County

Hadaway Consulting & Engineering LLC
Bandon Dunes #2
Racetrack; Sec 6 T10S R28E; 50/S & 1310/E; 14 1/2 mi SW Elkins; Rot 7000 San Andres; API #30-005-64297

Eddy County

COG Operating LLC
Dodd Federal Unit #920
Dodd; Sec 14 T17S R29E; 2310/S & 195/E; 4 mi NW Loco Hills; Rot 9570 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-44368

Percussion Petroleum Operating LLC
Goodman 22 #4
North Seven Rivers; Sec 22 T19S R25E; 2303/S & 2346/W; 6 mi NW Lakewood; Rot 8010 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-44366

Percussion Petroleum Operating LLC
Goodman 22 #6
North Seven Rivers; Sec 22 T19S R25E; 1474/S & 2366/W; 6 mi NW Lakewood; Rot 7880 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-44365

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Onyx PWU 29 28 #10
West Parkway; Sec 29 T19S R29E; 1690/N & 310/W; 14 1/2 mi SW Loco Hills; Rot 18501 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44363

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Onyx PWU 29 28 #11
West Parkway; Sec 29 T19S R29E; 2295/S & 380/W; 14 1/2 mi SW Loco Hills; Rot 16630 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44372

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Onyx PWU 29 28 #61
West Parkway; Sec 29 T19S R29E; 1690/N & 280/W; 14 1/2 mi SW Loco Hills; Rot 18938 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44362

Marathon Oil Permian LLC
Cypress Fee 23 27 9 #2
South Carlsbad; Sec 9 T23S R27E; 1664/S & 549/W; 2 mi SW Otis; Rot 13300 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44374

Marathon Oil Permian LLC
Cypress Fee 23 27 9 #4
Purple Sage; Sec 9 T23S R27E; 1681/S & 573/W; 2 mi SW Otis; Rot 13500 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44376

Marathon Oil Permian LLC
Cypress Fee 23 27 9 #5
Purple Sage; Sec 9 T23S R27E; 2069/S & 383/W; 2 mi SW Otis; Rot 13400 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44377

Marathon Oil Permian LLC
Cypress Fee 23 27 9 #6
Purple Sage; Sec 9 T23S R27E; 2083/S & 345/W; 2 mi SW Otis; Rot 13700 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44378

Marathon Oil Permian LLC
Cypress Fee 23 27 9 #7
South Carlsbad; Sec 9 T23S R27E; 2118/S & 328/W; 2 mi SW Otis; Rot 13300 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44379

Marathon Oil PermianLLC
Cypress Fee 23 27 9 #8
Purple Sage; Sec 9 T23S R27E; 2143/S & 310/W; 2 mi SW Otis; Rot 13500 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44380

Marathon Oil Permian LLC
Case 16 St #4
Forehand Ranch; Sec 16 T23S R27E; 2018/N & 256/W; 3 mi SW Otis; Rot 11801 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44370

XTO Energy Inc.
Remuda South 25 St #101
Purple Sage; Sec 25 T23S R29E; 2280/N & 615/W; 9 mi SE Loving; Rot 18083 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44364

XTO Energy Inc.
Remuda South 25 St #103
Purple Sage; Sec 25 T23S R29E; 2280/N & 1935/W; 9 mi SE Loving; Rot 18127 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44359

XTO Energy Inc.
Remuda South 25 St #121
Purple Sage; Sec 25 T23S R29E; 2280/N & 645/W; 9 mi SE Loving; Rot 17974 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44361

XTO Energy Inc.
Remuda South 25 St #122
Purple Sage; Sec 25 T23S R29E; 2280/N & 675/W; 9 mi SE Loving; Rot 18333 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44360

Oxy USA Inc.
Sunrise MDP1 8-5Fed C #1
Cotton Draw; Sec 8 T24S R31E; 170/S & 816/W; 16 mi E Malaga; Rot 20183 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44369

Chevron USA Inc.
HH SO 10 15 Fed 002 #5
Purple Sage; Sec 3 T26S R27E; 289/S & 833/W; 10 mi SE Black River; Rot 19000 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44371

Chevron USA Inc.
HH SO 10 15 Fed 002 #6
Purple Sage; Sec 3 T26S R27E; 314/S & 833/W; 10 mi SE Black River; Rot 19000 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44367

Lea County

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Bilbrey 34 27 B20B Federal Com #1
Bilbrey Basin; Sec 34 T21S R32E; 185/S & 2240/E; 9 mi SE Halfway; Rot 20618 Bone Spring; API #30-025-43918

EOG Resources Inc.
Righteous 6 St #301
North Antelope Ridge; Sec 6 T23S R35E; 1983/S & 855/E; 10 mi NE Ochoa; Rot 17223 Bone Spring; API #30-025-43919

Centennial Resource Production LLC
Pirate State #101
North Red Hills; Sec 16 T24S R34E; 367/S & 330/E; 2 1/2 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 13900 Bone Spring; API #30-025-43917

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Instructor: Dr. George Asquith
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Quick Guide to Carbonate Well Log Analysis
Instructor: Dr. George Asquith
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Cost: $425; Out of State: $475

Log Analysis of Hydrocarbon Bearing Shales
Instructor: Dr. George Asquith
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Instructor: David M. Orchard
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Instructor: Sherry Robinson
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Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: Jan 4 - Jan 30, 2018 Registration Deadline: Noon, Jan 4, 2018
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50

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Instructor: Alyce Hoge
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SQL: Application to Oil/Gas Relational Database
Instructor: Celia Houston
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Oilfield Terminology
Instructor: Tommy Lent
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COMPLETIONS

Texas RRCD 7C

Reagan County

Discovery Natural Resources LLC
Divide-Scott Z #1478CS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1584 fnl, 5730 fel, Sec 147, Blk 1, Abst. 538, T&P RR, 7 ne Big Lake; TD 7540 TVD, 18920 MD; Comp 8/14/2017; producing from 7850-18860, fracture stimulated; flow 770 BO, 790 MCF, 1367 BW on 64/64 inch choke, FTP 120 psi, 40.2 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-39767

Discovery Natural Resources LLC
Divide-Scott Y #1478AS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1583 fnl, 5690 fel, Sec 147, Blk 1, Abst. 538, T&P RR, 7 ne Big Lake; TD 6953 TVD, 18292 MD; Comp 8/14/2017; producing from 7300-18231, fracture stimulated; flow 513 BO, 526 MCF, 1742 BW on 64/64 inch choke, FTP 110 psi, 40.2 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-39766

Texas RRCD 8

Andrews County

XTO Energy Inc.
Fullerton Clearfork Unit #631R
Fullerton; 4179 fnl, 10356 fel, Sec 3, Blk A-32, Abst. 589, PSL, 18.8 nw Andrews; TD 7300; Comp 8/18/2017; producing from 6653-7198, fracture stimulated; pump 176 BO, 110 MCF, 775 BW, 39.7 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-47452

Zarvona Energy LLC
ULS 5-9 Unit #6
Emma (Mississippian); 467 fsl, 467 fel, Sec 4, Blk 5, Abst. 108U, ULS, 16 ne Andrews; TD 12830; Comp 8/13/2017; producing from 12170-12170, treated with acid; flow 56 BO, 38 MCF, 156 BW on 18/64 inch choke, FTP 200 psi; API #42-003-47556

Ector County

Oxy USA WTP LP
Bagley -B- #1
Cowden South (Canyon 8790)-Horizontal; 466 fsl, 1086 fwl, Sec 17, Blk 42, T-2-S, Abst. 116, T&P RR, 2.7 w Odessa; TD 10118 TVD, 10138 MD; Comp 8/27/2017; producing from 9773-9999, treated with acid; pump 232 BO, 200 MCF, 603 BW, 45 Oil Gravity; API #42-135-43487

Texas RRCD 8A

Dawson County

Halvey Energy LLC
Lindsay #1
Powe (Spraberry); 1100 fnl, 1200 fel, Sec 11, Abst. 337, HE&WT RR, 8.4 s O'Donnell; TD 8000; Comp 8/19/2017; producing from 6964-6968; pump 35 BO, 25 MCF, 32 BW, 38 Oil Gravity; API #42-115-33752

New Mexico

Eddy County

COG Operating LLC
Burch Keely Unit #944
Burch Keely; Sec 13 T17S R29E; 1035/S & 146/E. BHL: 967/S & 232/E; EL 3631 GL, TD 9940 MD< 4873 TVD, PBTD 9870 MD, 4873 TVD; Spud 4-18-17, Comp 6-27-17; production is through treated perfs: 5082-9842. Treat: Acdz

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UTPB College of Engineering receives UT System Board of Regents Approval

The UT System Board of Regents approved the establishment of the University of Texas of the Permian Basin College of Engineering on August 24, 2017.

The new UTPB College of Engineering will foster a rigorous and collaborative academic environment that demands excellence, encourages innovative education and supports ground-breaking discovery.

"The approval of College of Engineering is vital if UTPB is to reach its fullest potential in providing students with relevant and rewarding educational opportunities," said Sandra Woodley, president of UTPB. "This new College, based on our strong traditions of critical analysis, relativity, innovation and exploration, will substantially enhance UTPB's ability to serve the needs of our community."

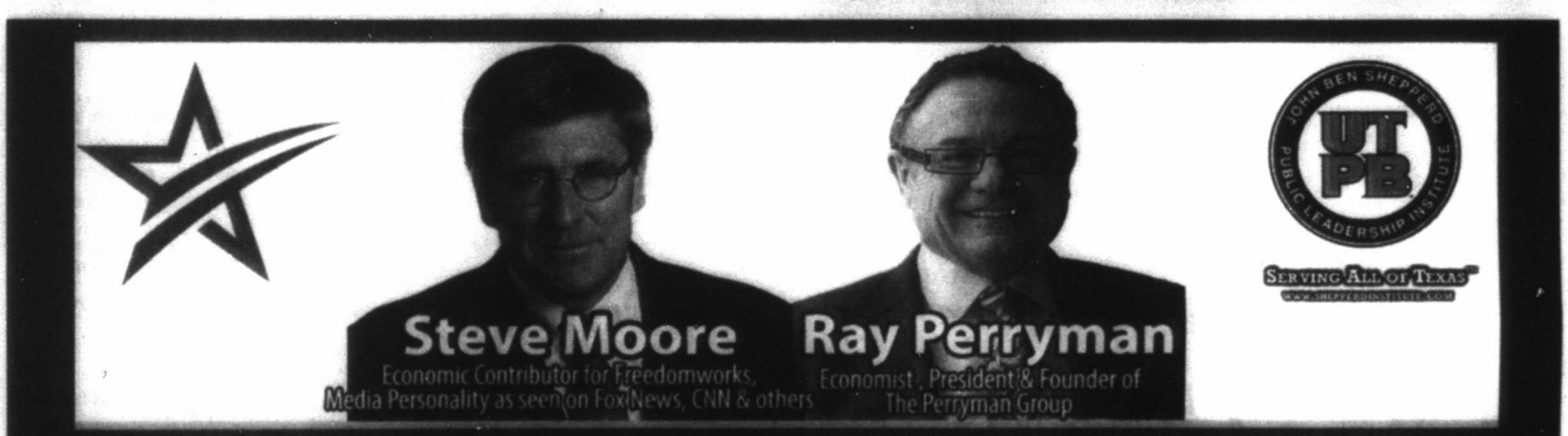
Previous to approval, UTPB offered degrees in Mechanical and Petroleum Engineering under the School of Business and Engineering. The new College of Engineering will be housed within the engineering building currently under construction.

The engineering building was included in HB 100, approved by the Governor in 2015. The Project was added to the Board of Regent's Capital Improvement Program in August 2015 and is funded from $48 million in Tuition Revenue Bonds and $4 million in Permanent University Funds for a Total Project Cost of $52 million.

In other business, the UT System Board of Regents also approved the architectural design of the UTPB Kinesiology Building. This building is funded with $14.2 million in PUF funding for a 43,000 square foot building to house the Kinesiology Department's classrooms, labs, training room and office space, for a total projected cost of $16.2 million.

Over the past several years, kinesiology has been among UTPB's most popular degree programs. Many kinesiology majors are planning to attend physical therapy school, medical school or graduate school after earning their undergraduate degree.

"I am very optimistic about the future of the UTPB colleges of Engineering and Business," added Woodley. "I am grateful to the UT board of Regents and our legislative champions for their strong support for this important work."



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Seadrill files for bankruptcy in effort to shrink debt burden

Bloomberg

Seadrill Ltd., the offshore driller controlled by billionaire John Fredriksen, filed for bankruptcy protection after working out a deal with almost all its senior lenders to inject $1 billion of new money into the company.

Under the proposal, lenders will extend the maturity on $5.7 billion in debt, with no amortization payments due until 2020. Should lower-ranking creditors join the proposal, $2.3 billion in unsecured bonds would be converted into a 15 percent stake in the company, Seadrill said in a statement.

"The deal gives us a great liquidity cushion," allowing Seadrill to survive the "mother of all downturns," Chief Executive Officer Anton Dibowitz said by phone. The new capital is "underpinned" by top shareholder Hemen Holding Ltd. and more than 40 percent of bondholders support the plan along with 97 percent of Seadrill's secured bank lenders, he said. Dibowitz expects more bondholders to sign up to the deal.

Fredriksen spent more than 18 months trying to strike an agreement with creditors to restructure the industry's biggest debt-load after crude's collapse curbed demand for Seadrill's services. Earlier this year the company gave itself a deadline of Sept. 12 to file a Chapter 11 reorganization case in U.S. Bankruptcy Court, just three days before $843 million of bonds mature.

The new $1 billion investment will comprise $860 million in secured notes and $200 million in equity, and shareholders will receive about 2 percent of the post-restructured equity, according to the statement. Seadrill expects to emerge from Chapter 11 in six to nine months, Dibowitz said.

The shares whipsawed in Oslo on Wednesday, swinging between a 14 percent gain and a 20 percent loss before trading down 0.6 percent at 12:38 p.m. local time. More stock traded in the first 15 minutes than on an entire average day during the previous three months.

The company said hedge fund Centerbridge Partners is investing in the restructuring deal, confirming a Bloomberg News report last week that Fredriksen and Centerbridge were in talks. Aristeia Capital and Man Group's GLG unit as well as Saba Capital, Whitebox Advisors, ARCM and Fintech are also investing in the new secured notes and equity, Dibowitz said.

Current shareholders may end up with as little as 3 to 4 cents a share, while unsecured bondholders may see a direct recovery for unsecured claims of about 6 percent if they don't participate in new secured debt, analysts at Clarksons Platou Securities AS wrote in a note.

"We see significant risk of the final words not being said yet and the Chapter 11 process might be a long and painful process," the analysts said.

The company's Chapter 11 petition Tuesday said that Seadrill had struck two deals to help it reorganize under court protection: a restructuring support agreement and an investment agreement. The initial court filing didn't include details about either deal. Seadrill doesn't envision asset sales as part of the restructuring plan, Dibowitz said.

The company must get court permission to sign the lender proposal, which will then be incorporated into a reorganization plan that will go to creditors for a vote. The judge will take that vote into consideration before deciding whether to approve the plan.

The company listed a range of $10 billion to $50 billion in debt and assets in its petition, which was filed in federal court in Victoria, Texas. Deutsche Bank Trust Co. was listed as the company's biggest unsecured creditor with bond debt totaling $1.74 billion.

Gregory Bull/AP File Photo

A flame burns at the Shell Deer Park oil refinery Aug. 31 in Deer Park.

Like Strait of Hormuz, Gulf Coast energy hub is now 'too important to fail,' IEA says

By Collin Eaton
Houston Chronicle

Hurricane Harvey and Hurricane Irma could cut U.S. oil demand up to 800,000 barrels a day in September, even as the Gulf Coast's shuttered refineries bring petroleum product stockpiles in a large swath of the world closer to normal levels.

In a monthly report released Wednesday, the International Energy Agency examined how the second-costliest U.S. storm impacted the global energy complex, arguing the effects of shutting down the Texas refining industry for several weeks could soon all but evaporate the world's glut of gasoline and other fuels.

The Paris-based agency noted fuel inventories in OECD counties are only 35 million barrels above the five-year average and said it believes the current constraints on fuel supplies in the United States could bring that figure below that level soon.

"We think it is possible that will happen before the end of the year given the scale of the disruptions to energy infrastructure caused by the hurricane," the IEA said.

The group said the episode shows how important the Gulf Coast energy hub has become to global markets — a "global trading center" that exports 4 million barrels of petroleum products a day to places like Mexico and Venezuela.

And it's where companies ship out 800,000 barrels of crude a day to places like China, Korea, Italy, the Netherlands and Singapore.

"The rise of the Gulf Coast as a major energy hub means that, in some respects, it can be compared to the Strait of Hormuz in that normal operations are too important to fail," it said.

Saudis to prep for possible Aramco IPO delay

Bloomberg

Saudi Arabia is preparing contingency plans for a possible delay to the initial public offering of its state-owned oil company by a few months into 2019, according to people familiar with the matter.

Although the government is still aiming for a Saudi Aramco IPO in the second half of next year, that timetable is increasingly tight for what's likely to be the biggest share sale in history, the people said, asking not to be named discussing internal deliberations.

Saudi Aramco said in statement the IPO "remains on track. The IPO process is well underway and Saudi Aramco remains focused on ensuring that all IPO related work is completed to the very highest standards on time." It didn't give a timeframe. The comment was echoed by a Saudi government source Wednesday. Officials have previously said the most likely schedule is the second half of next year.

COMPLETIONS

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w/118,944 gals 15% acid. Frac w/347,802-gals trl wtr, 9,706,708 gals slick wtr. IP: 7-2-17 Pump 24 hrs 288 BO, 3000 BW, 206 MCF, GOR 715, Gty 39. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 327 w/400 sx, 9 5/8 @ 1118 w/475 sx, 7 @ 4245, 5 @ 9940 w/2050 sx, 2 7/8 @ 5203; API #30-015-44079

Lime Rock Resources II-A LP

Eagle 26 M Federal #8
NE Red Lake; Sec 26 T17S R27E; 330/S & 820/W; EL 3525 GL, TD 4860, PBTD 4800; Spud 4-18-17, Comp 7-6-17; production is through treated perfs: 3080-3349, 3490-3795, 3926-4232, 4440-4766. Treat: 4580 gals 15% HCl & Frac w/123,843# 100 mesh & 1083422# 30/50 sd in slick wtr. IP: 7-20-17 Pump 24 hrs 233 BO, 1798 BW, 304 MCF, GOR 130. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 435 w/350 sx, 5 1/2 @ 4857 w/630 sx, 2 7/8 @ 3442; API #30-015-42373

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Rio Bravo 17 20 W2AP Federal Com #1
Avalon; Sec 17 T21S R25E; 195/N & 1225/E. BHL: 2910/S & 622/E; EL 3377 GL, TD 15384 MD, 7937 TVD, PBTD 15384 MD, 7896 TVD; Spud 4-7-17, Comp 7-13-17; production is through treated perfs: 8055-15384. Treat: 3,975,602 gals slickwater carrying 2,235,700# 100 mehs sd & 1,227,160# 40/70 sd. IP: 7-20-17 Flow 24 hrs 1 BO, 2539 BW, 486 MCF, 41/64" Ch, CP 550, GOR 2539. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 415 w/680 sx, 9 5/8 @ 1992 w/500 sx, 7 @ 8198 w/850 sx, 4 1/2 @ 7197-9578 w/150 sx; API #30-015-44110

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Yardbirds 3 WOAP Fee #2
Purple Sage; Sec 3 T24S R28E; 185/N & 450/E. BHL: 339/S & 523/E; EL 3018 GL, TD 14275, PBTD 14242; Spud 3-29-17, Comp 7-18-17; production is through treated perfs: 9700-14235. Treat: Frac w/11,437,079 gals slickwater carrying 7,318,716# 100 mesh & 4,287,530# 40/70 white sd. IP: 7-18-17 Flow 24 hrs 1010 BO, 1787 BW, 3030 MCF, 22/64" Ch, CP 2500, GOR 3000, Gty 54.8. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 169 w/300 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2564 w/600 sx, 7 @ 9846 w/975 sx, 4 1/2 @ 9060-14235; API #30-015-43949

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Perro Loco 22 B2PA Federal #1
Ojo Chiso; Sec 27 T22S R34E; 200/N & 500/E. BHL: 332/N & 888/E; EL 3424 GL, TD 15325 MD, 10302 TVD, PBTD 15293 MD, 10302 TVD; Spud 1-14-17, Comp 7-1-17; production is through treated perfs: 10716-15285. Treat: 8,774,933 gals slickwater, carrying 5,168,700# 200 mesh sd & 2,930,800# 30/50 white sd, 62,880# 20/40 sd, 1069 bbls 18# Borate gel pad. IP: 7-3-17 Flow 24 hrs 215 BO, 2140 BW, 346 MCF, 30/64" Ch, CP 800, GOR 1609, Gty 45.4. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1840 w/1500 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5593 w/1700 sx, 7 @ 10547, 4 1/2 @ 9824-15285 w/300 sx; API #30-025-43393

Cimarex Energy Co.
Triste Draw 25 Federal #5
Triste Draw; Sec 25 T23S R32E; 370/S & 1270/E. BHL: 330/N & 424/E; EL 3694 GL, TD 14396 MD, 9850 TVD, PBTD 14393; Spud 1-13-17, Comp 2-28-17; production is through treated perfs: 9710-14378. Treat: 9410281 bbls total fluid, 13220747# sd. IP: 3-28-17 Flow 24 hrs 785 BO, 1850 BW, 1254 MCF, 40/64" Ch, TP 602, CP 467, GOR 1597, Gty 44.9. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1325 w/1070 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4968 w/1470 sx, 5 1/2 @ 14396 w/2090 sx, 2 7/8 @ 9446; API #30-025-42105

EOG Y Resources Inc.
Pistolero BVK Federal #1
Wildcat; Sec 15 T25S R34E; 200/N & 400/W. BHL: 229/S & 331/W; EL 3394 GL, TD 17350 MD, 12612 TVD, PBTD 17240 MD, 12611 TVD; Spud 4-28-17, Comp 7-2-17; production is through treated perfs: 12683-17240. Treat: Frac w/15,928,462# proppant, 265,124 bbls load fluid. IP: 7-10-17 Flow 24 hrs 1687 BO, 4686 BW, 2954 MCF, 64 Ch, CP 1140, GOR 1751, Gty 45. Csg: 10 1/2 @ 913 w/740 sx, 7 5/8 @ 11490 w/2065 sx, 5 1/2 @ 17350 w/620 sx; API #30-025-43534

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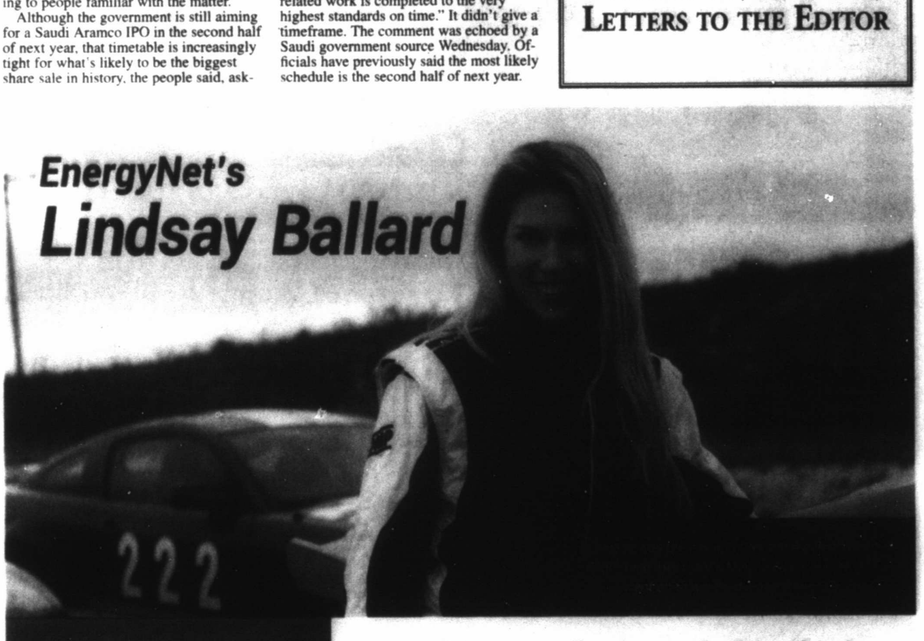

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