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Analysts predict more Permian consolidations

By Alex Nussbaum
and Kevin Crowley
Bloomberg

Diamondback Energy's agreement to buy Energen in an \$8.4 billion all-stock deal makes it official: The long-awaited Permian Basin buying spree has arrived, promising to shake up the U.S. shale industry.

Some \$30 billion in transactions this year center on the Permian, where pipeline shortages and other hurdles have boosted costs, adding fresh momentum to the push for consolidation. In March,

Concho Resources agreed to pay \$9.5 billion including debt for RSP Permian. In July, BP said it would spend \$10.5 billion across three U.S. shale plays, including the Permian.

"There will be further consolidation over time for sure," said Leo Mariani, an Austin-based analyst at NatAlliance Securities. "There are a lot of players in the Permian and a lot of economies of scale can be achieved such as lower-cost debt and reducing competition for services."

At the end of last year, Energen owned drilling rights for about 150,000 acres across the Permian, which stretches across West Texas and New Mexico. The driller

was "undervalued" amid a tussle with three activist investors, Mariani said in a telephone interview. "They were seeing some pressure."

The \$84.95 per-share price represents a 16 percent premium to Energen's closing price Tuesday. Diamondback will also assume \$830 million in Energen debt in a deal approved by both boards, the Midland, Texas-based company said in a statement Tuesday.

Analysts have long predicted a wave of consolidation in the Permian, a remote region where the drilling renaissance was pioneered by dozens of independent wildcaters. Output in the basin is expected

to rise to 3.42 million barrels a day in September, according to Energy Information Administration forecasts, more than double the production five years ago.

"Our industry has transformed into a manufacturing business and those operators that convert resources into cash flow at the lowest cost will win in the long run," Diamondback Chief Executive Officer Travis Stice told analysts on a conference call Wednesday.

Diamondback shares fell 10 percent to \$120.13 at 9:45 a.m. in New York; Energen, based in Birmingham, Alabama,

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CENTER OF ATTENTION



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

ABOVE: Members of the media document Ernie Johnson signing the wall of the green room on Thursday at Horseshoe Pavilion during "An Evening with Ernie Johnson," a fundraiser to benefit Centers For Children and Families. Johnson is host of "Inside the NBA" on TNT. BOTTOM LEFT: From left, Lauren Bradford, Ann Bradford, Ernie Johnson and Midland County Judge Mike Bradford pose for a photo at the event. Centers has provided counseling, programs and services to West Texans for more than 60 years. BOTTOM RIGHT: Thursday's event featured auctions and raffles.



Murder suspect shot, killed in confrontation with MPD

From staff reports

The suspect in a murder that took place early Thursday morning was shot and killed later in the day by Midland Police.

MPD reported Thursday that at about 11 a.m. officers located Oscar Gurrola, 41, southeast of Midland city limits, near the area of South County Road 1030 and East County Road 160. Officers approached Gurrola to arrest him on a murder warrant. MPD believed Gurrola shot and killed an ex-girlfriend shortly after midnight, according to information MPD provided.

When confronted by officers, Gurrola displayed and raised a weapon. Then, officers fired upon him. Officers present attempted to render first aid. However, upon arrival of EMS, Gurrola was determined to be deceased, according to police.

Midland police reported the case

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Gurrola

MISD celebrates \$5.5M TEA grant for 'transformation'

From staff reports

Midland ISD officials announced this week it has received \$5.5 million grant to enhance academic performance transformation efforts.

The grant is specifically called a Transformation Zone Planning Continuation and Implementation Grant, and according to the district, the Texas Education Agency awarded some type of grant funding to seven districts statewide.

The grants continue a roll that Midland ISD is on when it comes to grants and philanthropic giving. According to information from the district, Midland ISD has received \$13.991 million since the third quarter of 2017. That includes the \$5 million that the Midland County Commissioners' Court gave the district earlier this month to help with security and landscaping costs.

Midland ISD also reported \$1.9 million

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AAA reports another gas price drop in Midland

By Stewart Doreen
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The average price of gas in Midland has not increased for the past five weeks.

AAA Texas reported another slight decrease of 1 cent, moving the average price of regular unleaded to \$3.07 — still the highest in the state.

The 1-cent decrease is half of the state and national averages, but drivers in Midland will take whatever they can get at this point.

The average in Midland is 7 cents greater than the second highest average in the state (\$3.00 in Odessa), 46

cents greater than the state average and 58 cents greater than the city with the cheapest average price (\$2.49 in McAllen).

Distributors have told the Reporter-Telegram there are many complexities in the fuel business that impact pricing. They pointed to the high cost of transportation from Gulf Coast refineries and Midland's distance from pipelines. There are also issues with the high cost of living, at least in Midland and Odessa, where rents are climbing at rates incomparable around the nation. There's also the supply-and-demand factor.

There is a great demand in Midland and Odessa relative to the amount of supply.

Even when it comes to the cheaper prices in a community, Midland trails significantly. In Amarillo and Lubbock, the cheapest price is \$2.41, according to TexasGasPrices.com. The website also reports gas for \$2.44 in San Angelo and \$2.59 in Abilene. The cheapest gas in Midland can be found at Sam's Club for \$2.86.

In fact, drivers in Midland are not only paying a higher average than drivers in Odessa, but of the 15 cheapest prices listed in Midland and Odessa, 12 are found in Odessa.

AAA Texas reports the following

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Price of oil

\$65.46 ▲ \$0.45

The big number

Red synthetic marijuana led to 78 overdoses on Wednesday near Yale University. Read more on Page 6A.

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From 1A

"I applaud the dynamic work of the Transformation team this past year," Superintendent Orlando Riddick said. "The transformation efforts of this district will allow us to provide our community with a diverse portfolio of educational options that best meet the unique needs of every student."

From 1A

According to Reporter-Telegram records, there have been at least six murders or homicides inside Midland County this year.



This aerial photo taken Aug. 10 shows a makeshift compound in the desert area of Amalia, N.M. New Mexico forensic investigators announced Thursday that a highly decomposed body found at a desert compound in New Mexico has been identified as a missing Georgia boy whose father is accused of kidnapping him and performing purification rituals on the severely disabled child.

Associated Press

A spokeswoman for the office said it will be examining both the body and where the remains were located to seek to determine a cause and manner of death. A prosecutor said no charges regarding the death are imminent because of

Prosecutors seeking to keep Sirah Ibn Wahhaj and four members of his extended family behind bars said in court on Monday that he had been training some children at the compound to use firearms and carry out attacks on an anti-government mission that might target schools.

An FBI agent, citing in-

But they had not been released as of Thursday amid concerns about their safety.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection said

New Mexico officials contend the parcel was never part of the buffer zone established by a 1907 presidential proclamation to ensure federal authorities could patrol along the southern border.

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WORD OF THE DAY

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verb

- 1: to cause the infliction of (vengeance or punishment)
- 2: to give free play or course to (malevolent feeling)
- 3: bring about, cause



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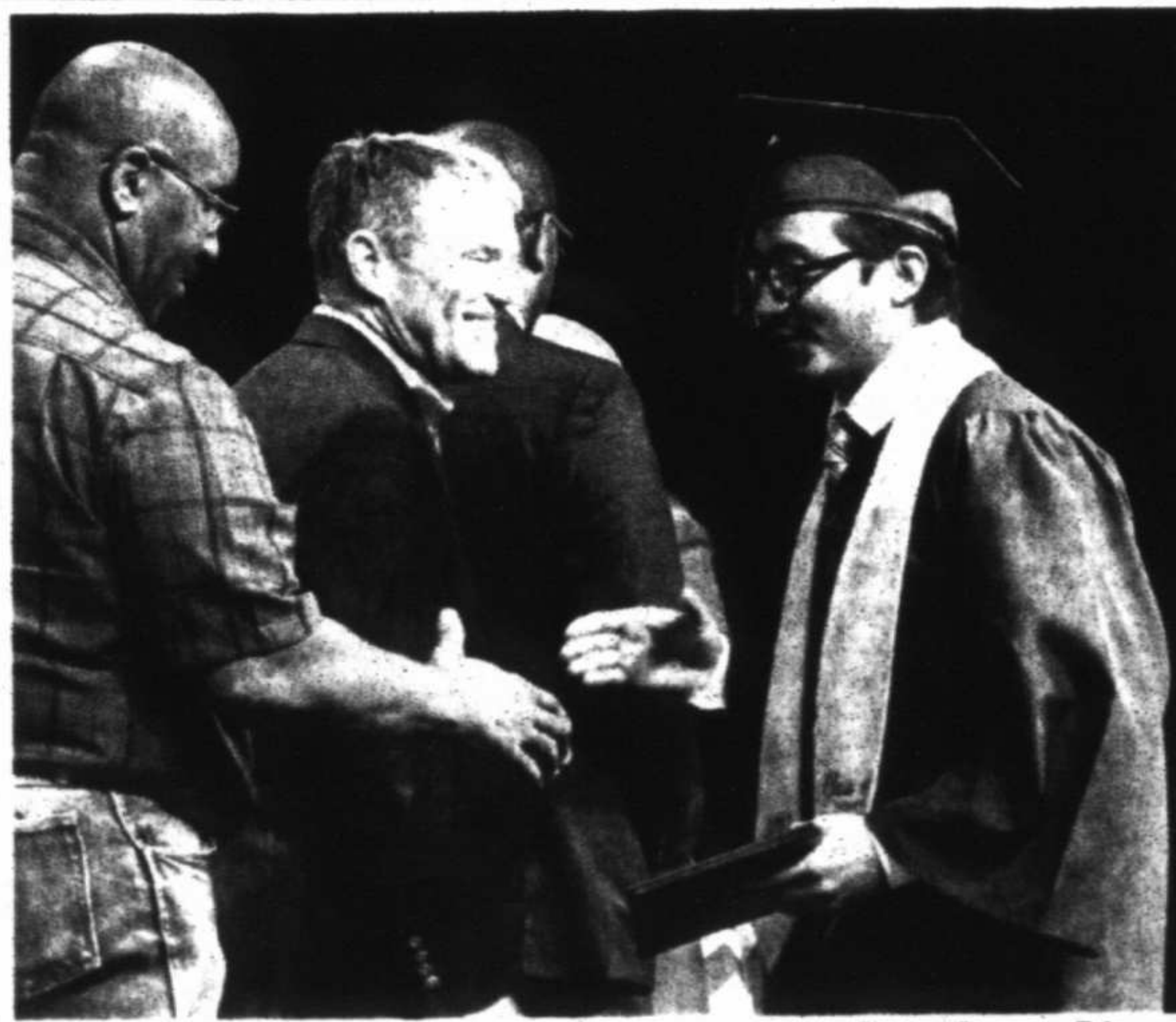
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Things to do

- The 17th annual Bust'n Clay for United Way, 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Jake's Clays, 13301 Farm-to-Market Road 1379, \$200 per shooter. bustnclayforunitedway.org
- Bridge lessons with Sara Cantrell, 10 a.m., Senior Center, 3303 W. Illinois Ave. Free
- AARP Defensive Driving, noon, Midland Senior Center, 3303 W. Illinois Ave. seniorlinkmidland.org
- Evening Storytime at the Library, 4:30 p.m. (2-6 years), Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.
- Beef Rib Night, 5 p.m., through Nov. 30 at True Texas BBQ, 5407 Andrews Highway
- Ribeye Steak Night benefits the VFW, 6-9 p.m., Tall City VFW Post 7208, 1306 E. Taylor Ave. \$15.
- Friday Night Fish Fry, 6 p.m., Ranchland Hills Golf Club, 1800 E. Wadley Ave. ranchlandhills.com
- Bingo Nights, The American Legion Auxiliary hosts weekly play throughout the week, 7 p.m., 501 Veterans Airport Lane. 682-5511.
- Back to School Bash, 7 p.m., KC's Nutty Roller, 1004 Andrews Highway
- Hold 'em poker tournaments, 7 p.m., The Dabur, 1708 Rankin Hwy
- An Evening of Worship featuring pianist Young Ulerona, who will perform selections of classical and inspirational music, 7 p.m., First Methodist Midland, 300 N. Main St.
- Friday Night Live: The Unswear T's, 7 p.m., Mac's Bar-B-Q and Catering, 2400 W. Indiana Ave. macstersbbq.com
- Party on the Patio with live music, 7:30-10:30 p.m., Ranchland Hills Golf Club, 1800 E. Wadley Ave. ranchlandhills.com
- Prototype Foam Party with DJ, Hookz, Nax, DrumAndrew, 8 p.m., La Hacienda Event Center, 12600 State Highway 191 \$25. haciendamidland.com
- ClubNights with DJ Bookie and



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

ONE JOURNEY TO ANOTHER

Midland High School graduate Rene Loera makes his way across the stage Tuesday as he and other MISD summer graduates receive their diplomas in to the Bowie Fine Arts auditorium.

DJ Danny G, 8 p.m., The Reserve in the DoubleTree, 117 W. Wall St.
Magical Woods of West Texas by Tree of Life Open Circle, 8 p.m., Unitarian Universalist Church of Midland, 3301 Neely Ave.
The 70th Season of Summer Mummies: "Diabolical Deeds on

the Diamond or Walt - Was that a Squirrel in the Infield? 8 p.m., Yucca Theatre, 208 N. Colorado St. \$12-\$25. MCTmidland.org
Movie in the Park: "Paddington 2," 8:45 p.m. (dusk), Best Park, 5200 W. Wall St. Free. midlandtx.gov/movies.

DJ Wildman, 9 p.m., Lift on 7th, 1401 E. 7th St. Odessa.
DJ Boris, 9 p.m., Supremova Nightclub, 2215 N. Midland Drive. \$10.
Karaoke Karaoke with DJ Cisco, 9 p.m., Midland Beer Garden, 7112 W. Highway 80.

■ Hill Country Revival, 9 p.m., The Bar, 606 W. Missouri Ave.
■ Wicked West Band, 9 p.m., Hot Shots, 615 W. Wall St.
■ Jay Statham Band, 10 p.m., Lone Star Bar, 621 W. Wall St.

Pool Information

Doug Russell and Washington Family aquatic centers will be open on an alternating-day schedule this weekend.
Doug Russell is open Saturday.
Washington is open Sunday.

Watering schedule

The current outdoor watering schedule allows residents and businesses in the city of Midland to water twice per week. Even numbered addresses may water outdoors on Saturdays and Wednesdays. Odd numbered addresses may water outdoors on Fridays and Tuesdays. Any violation may result in a fine up to \$500. The watering outdoor surfaces ban is still in effect. Use of water to fill, refill or add to any indoor or outdoor swimming pools, wading pools or Jacuzzi-type pools is prohibited except on designated watering days between the hours of 6 p.m. and midnight beginning on their designated watering days.

Today in History

Today is Friday, Aug. 17, the 229th day of 2018. There are 136 days left in the year.

On this date

In 1969, Hurricane Camille slammed into the Mississippi coast as a Category 5 storm that was blamed for 256 U.S. deaths, three in Cuba.
In 1987, the musical drama "Dirty Dancing," starring Jennifer Grey and Patrick Swayze, premiered in New York.
In 1999, more than 17,000 people were killed when a magnitude 7.4 earthquake struck Turkey.

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 6-7-9
Pick 3 day: 9-8-0
Pick 3 evening: 0-0-9
Pick 3 night: 6-0-2
Daily 4 morning: 8-2-6-9
Daily 4 day: 1-7-6-1, x
Daily 4 evening: 1-6-6-3
Daily 4 night: 4-1-7-1
Cash Five: 03-18-27-31-32
Texas Two Step: 01-04-05-17, Bonus: 14

All or Nothing morning:
x 01-04-08-09-14-15-16-17-18-19-20-24
All or Nothing day: 01-05-06-08-09-10-12-14-16-20-21-23
All or Nothing evening:
01-03-08-09-10-11-12-14-19-20-21-22
All or Nothing night:
02-03-04-05-06-08-14-15-16-19-20-24

Weather

Thursday's temperatures

High 96
Low 74
Normal high 94
Normal low 69

Aug. 18 records

High: 104, set in 1946
Low: 61, set in 1992

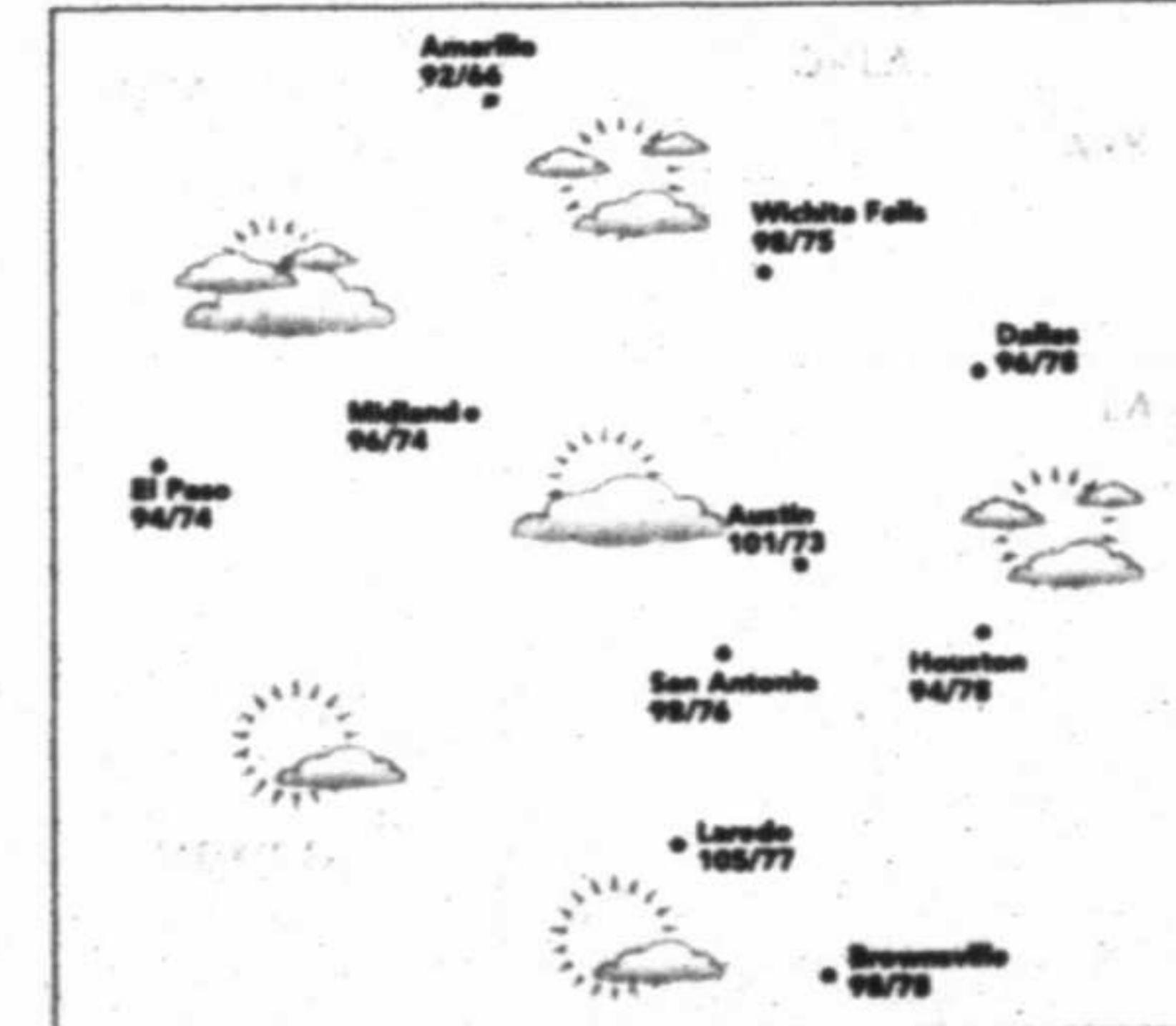
Precipitation

Wednesday 0.00 inches
Thursday 0.00 inches
Month total 2.88 inches
Year total 8.14 inches
Normal total (year to date) 8.77 inches

Winds

Average wind speed: 8.7 mph
Highest sustained wind speed: 18 mph
Highest gust speed: 24

Forecast for Friday, August 17, 2018



mph

Today's forecast

High: 97
Low: 74
Conditions: Mostly sunny

during the day/partly cloudy at night
Winds: 10-15 mph during the day and night
Chance of rain: None
Sunrise: 7:15 a.m.
Sunset: 8:30 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 Leo and a Moon in Scorpio.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Aug. 17, 2018:
This year you tend to use tension as a motivator. However, you can get locked into a point of view and have difficulty gaining a broader perspective. Let others know about some of your dreams that you would like to bring to fruition. If you are single, you radiate a unique intensity, and others cannot stay away from you. You have quite a choice of suitors. If you are attached, the two of you often trigger each other. You have the key to handling the issue. SCORPIO sees you as transparent.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★ ★ ★ You might believe that someone is speaking gibberish. Although this isn't true, this person doesn't seem to connect the dots as you would. Don't worry; keep smiling, and your interactions with this person will work out. Financial gain is possible here. Tonight: Happiest as a duo.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★ ★ ★ ★ Defer to others, and be optimistic about an offer. Others will seek you out, as they enjoy your company. If you are in a committed relationship, make sure to date on your significant other. You don't want to upset this person.

Tonight: Out and about, strutting your stuff.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★ ★ ★ When the cat's away, the mouse will play. You have acted like a mouse with an absent cat nearly all week. Now you are faced with an enormous amount to catch up on. Dive right in rather than quarrel. You might be surprised by how much you accomplish. Tonight: Out late.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★ ★ ★ ★ Use today to finish last-minute details for a project. You could be surprised by a loved one; the caring and attention he or she gives you mean a lot. You begin to see the makings of several caring days. Go along with a demand from a loved one. Tonight: Christen the weekend.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★ ★ ★ Your instinct might be to stay close to home. If so, you are right to listen to your intuition. Others will find you should they need you. On the other hand, you might opt to squeeze in some R and R. As a result, you are likely to feel more vibrant. Tonight: At a favorite restaurant.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★ ★ ★ ★ You might not communicate as well as you'd like to. You feel as if you are speaking a foreign language and that people don't seem to "get it." Take

charge of a changeable set of plans. Listen to what others want. Somehow you will make it all work. Tonight: Speak your mind.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★ ★ ★ Before you say "yes" to someone, make sure you really want to. Honor a change of heart. Remain secure in what you need to do. Be clear about your desires. Remain open in conversations. Make sure your budget is as tight as you'd like. Tonight: Treat a friend to TGIF.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★ ★ ★ ★ Beam in more of what you want. You have the charisma and energy to hit a home run. Do not allow someone to change plans or cause a problem. Think positively and you will see better results. Someone might change his or her mind at the last minute. Tonight:

Keep smiling.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★ ★ ★ Listen to the drumbeats. Someone is trying to tell you something, whether you want to hear it or not. Slow down and follow your intuition. You might be hoping for a certain resolution, which could color your perspective as well. Ask for feedback. Tonight: Play it low-key.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★ ★ ★ You know what you want, but at times you do not use the correct words. Refuse to allow a misunderstanding to even begin. Verify that you are on the same page as someone else, or at least that he or she understands what you're saying. Tonight: Get together with the gang.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★ ★ ★ Take a stand, if you feel it's necessary. You cannot minimize what is happening around you. Know that more responsibility will be dropped on you. Consider that you might not want to play a significant role. Be honest with what is going on within you. Tonight: Be willing to say "no."

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★ ★ ★ ★ Put yourself in someone else's shoes. You might not have the control you desire in a tense situation. By identifying with the others involved, you can find the right action or decision. Others appreciate your sensitivity and support. Tonight: Be adventurous and spontaneous.

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Actor Sean Penn (1960), actor Robert De Niro (1943), actress Mae West (1893)

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jumped 4.4 percent to \$76.37.

The move comes a week after Diamondback announced it was buying closely held Ajax Resources for \$1.2 billion in cash and stock, the holder of rights to 25,000 Permian acres. The two deals are set to make Diamondback the third-biggest producer in the Permian among companies focused on the region, the company said.

In July, PricewaterhouseCoopers predicted that the second half of 2018 would see a boom in oil and natural gas mergers and acquisitions, given that dealmaking conversations already were "at a fever pitch" following a slow down in M&A earlier in the year.

Activists including Carl Icahn, Paul Singer's Elliott Management Corp. and Keith Meister's Corvex Management had pressed Energen to seek a buyer, arguing its management had failed to bring full value from its acreage in the heart of the Permian. Corvex last year moved to call a special meeting of shareholders to remake Energen's board, prompting a lawsuit from the company.

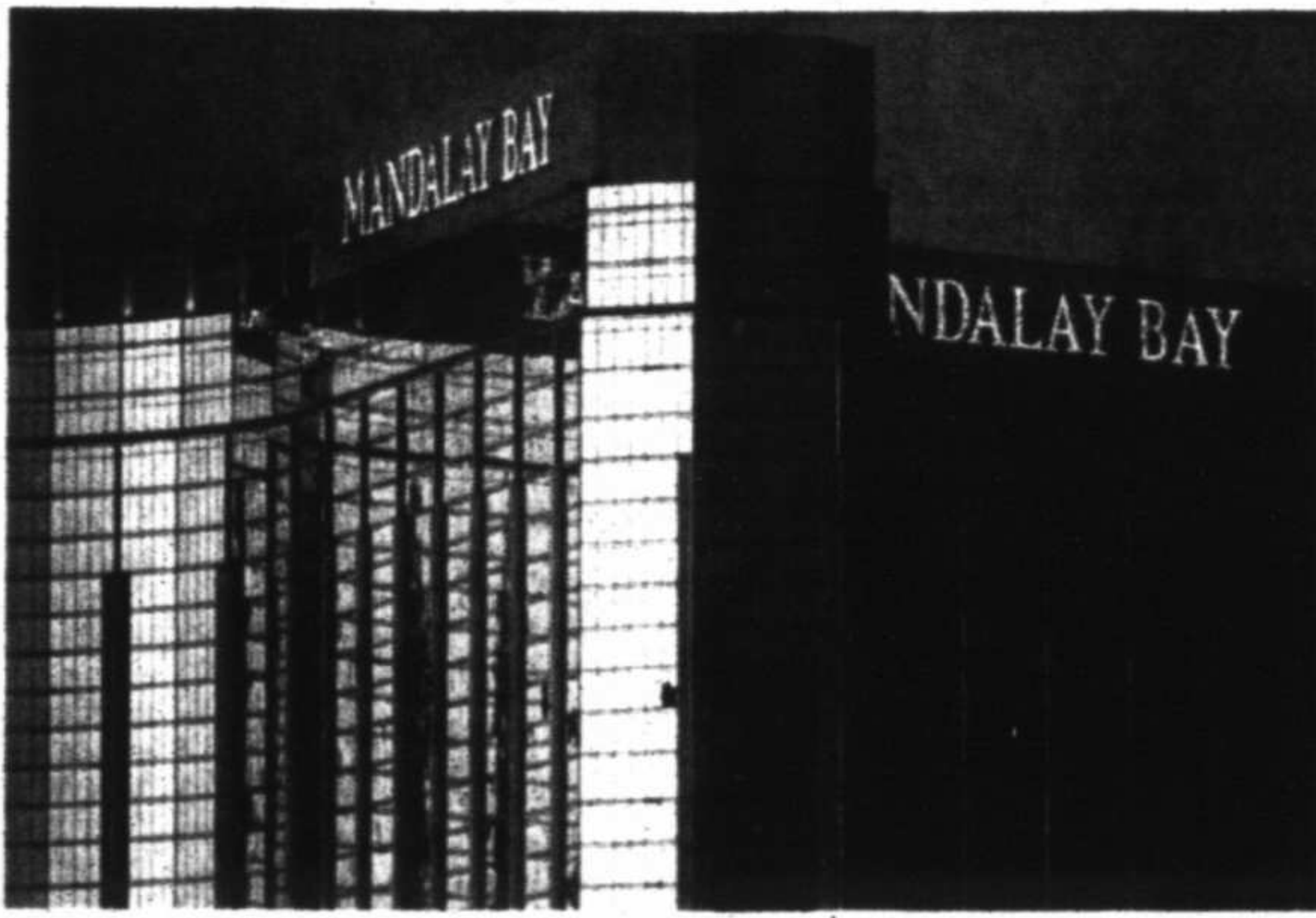
The two sides announced a settlement in March, with Energen agreeing to expand its board and conduct its review.

Meister praised the deal on Tuesday, saying it delivers "significant" gains for Energen shareholders. The new Diamondback "should be poised for many years of growth at an industry-leading cost structure," he said in an interview.

Energen started life as an Alabama natural gas utility, but shifted its main focus to exploration and production after acquiring drilling rights in the Permian. It agreed to sell Alabama Gas Corp. to the Laclede Group for \$1.28 billion in cash in 2014 to raise money to accelerate drilling.

"Over the past five years, Energen has strategically divested noncore assets and transformed into a low-cost Permian Basin pure-play with what we view as a firm foundation for growth," Bloomberg Intelligence analyst Michael Kay said in a note to clients in May.

Citigroup Global Markets Inc. acted as Diamondback's financial adviser and Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld as legal adviser, according to the statement. J.P. Morgan Securities and Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. were financial advisers to Energen and Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz provided legal advice.



AP file photo

Windows are broken at the Mandalay Bay resort and casino in Las Vegas on Oct. 3, 2017. The broken windows are at the room where Stephen Craig Paddock fired on a nearby music festival, killed 58 and injuring hundreds on Oct. 1.

Victims' attorneys criticize MGM's legal maneuver

By Regina Garcia Cano
Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Attorneys for a group of victims of the Las Vegas mass shooting harshly criticized MGM Resorts International this week over its legal maneuver seeking to consolidate multiple lawsuits stemming from the massacre.

The victims' attorneys in court documents filed Tuesday say the casino operator is acting with improper motives in seeking to have the cases combined in one court. They also argue the company has not properly served the victims with court documents.

MGM last month sued more than 1,900 victims of the deadliest mass shooting in modern U.S. history in a bid to avoid liability for the gunfire that rained down from a lone gunman at its Mandalay Bay casino-resort. The company filed the lawsuits in eight states and then asked a panel of federal judges to combine those cases and others stemming from the shooting.

The company argues in the lawsuits that it has "no liability of any kind" to survivors or families of slain victims under a federal law enacted after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. It is not asking the victims for money and has insisted it is all an effort to avoid years of costly litigation.

The attorneys for the group of victims

in court filings characterized the company's actions as "reprehensible."

"It is abusive of the courts, amounts to forum shopping, and is nothing more than attempt to limit the victims' access to justice," they wrote in a court filing. They also say none of the defendants in the lawsuits have been served.

MGM spokeswoman Debra DeShong in a statement to The Associated Press Thursday called the allegations of improper service "baseless." She said the victims' attorneys have been properly served with notice of the proceedings before the panel of judges.

"That is what is required by the rules," she said.

The Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation has scheduled oral arguments in the case for next month in San Francisco.

Congress created the panel 50 years ago. Its responsibilities are determining whether civil lawsuits pending around the country are similar enough to be combined, and to select a judge or judges to oversee them.

Consolidated cases can involve airplane crashes, train wrecks or hotel fires, or lawsuits over defective products.

The shooting carried out by a high-stakes gambler in October in Las Vegas left 58 people dead and more than 800 injured.

Fire tornado kills firefighter

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — In the history of California wildfires there has never been anything like it: A churning tornado filled with fire, the size of three football fields.

An official report describes in chilling detail the intensity of the rare fire phenomenon and how quickly it took the life of Redding firefighter Jeremy Stoke, who was enveloped in seconds as he tried to

evacuate residents on July 26.

Three videos released with the report late Wednesday show the massive funnel of smoke and flames in a populated area on the edge of Redding, about 250 miles north of San Francisco.

The smoke-and-fire tornado was about 1,000 feet wide at its base and shot approximately 7.5 miles into the sky; it reached speeds of up to 165 mph, with temperatures that like-

ly exceeded 2,700 degrees Fahrenheit, said the report by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

The tornado exploded in the middle of what was already a gigantic, devastating wildfire that started on July 23 with a spark from a vehicle driving on a flat tire. Stoke is one of eight people killed since the blaze started and destroyed nearly 1,100 homes. It was 71 percent contained as of Thursday.

US officials: Ex-IS fighter accepted in US as refugee

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif.

An Iraqi man accused of killing for the Islamic State entered the U.S. as a refugee after claiming to be a victim of terrorism, in a case drawing attention amid the Trump administration's criticism of the resettlement program's vetting process.

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In July, PricewaterhouseCoopers predicted that the second half of 2018 would see a boom in oil and natural gas mergers and acquisitions, given that dealmaking conversations already were "at a fever pitch" following a slow down in M&A earlier in the year.

Activists including Carl Icahn, Paul Singer's Elliott Management Corp. and Keith Meister's Corvex Management had pressed Energen to seek a buyer, arguing its management had failed to wring full value from its acreage in the heart of the Permian. Corvex last year moved to call a special meeting of shareholders to remake Energen's board, prompting a lawsuit from the company.

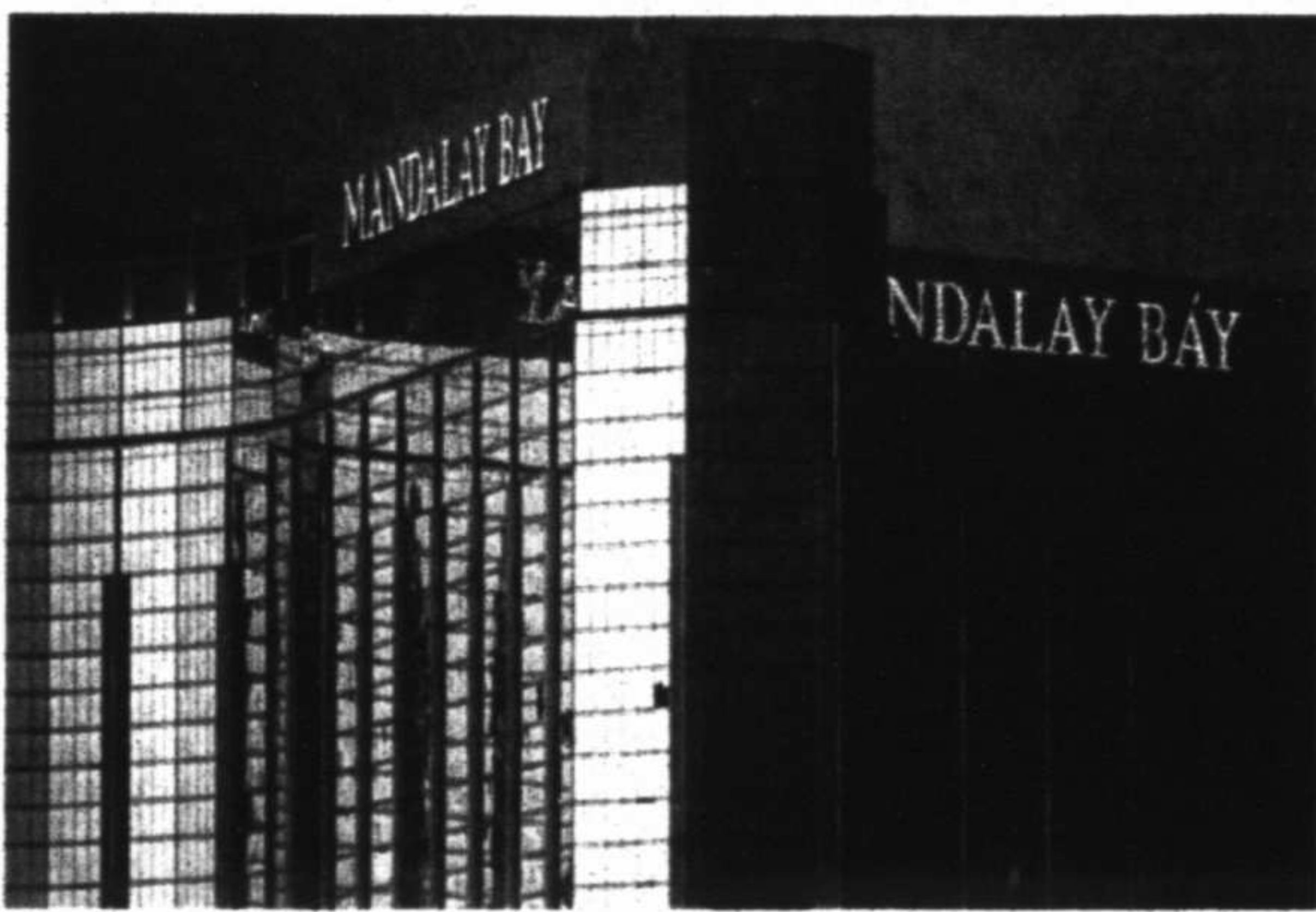
The two sides announced a settlement in March, with Energen agreeing to expand its board and conduct its review.

Meister praised the deal on Tuesday, saying it delivers "significant" gains for Energen shareholders. The new Diamondback "should be poised for many years of growth at an industry-leading cost structure," he said in an interview.

Energen started life as an Alabama natural gas utility, but shifted its main focus to exploration and production after acquiring drilling rights in the Permian. It agreed to sell Alabama Gas Corp. to the Laclede Group for \$1.28 billion in cash in 2014 to raise money to accelerate drilling.

"Over the past five years, Energen has strategically divested noncore assets and transformed into a low-cost Permian Basin pure-play with what we view as a firm foundation for growth," Bloomberg Intelligence analyst Michael Kay said in a note to clients in May.

Citigroup Global Markets Inc. acted as Diamondback's financial adviser and Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld as legal adviser, according to the statement. J.P. Morgan Securities and Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. were financial advisers to Energen and Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz provided legal advice.



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Windows are broken at the Mandalay Bay resort and casino in Las Vegas on Oct. 3, 2017. The broken windows are at the room from where Stephen Craig Paddock fired on a nearby music festival, killed 58 and injuring hundreds on Oct. 1.

Victims' attorneys criticize MGM's legal maneuver

By Regina Garcia Cano
Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Attorneys for a group of victims of the Las Vegas mass shooting harshly criticized MGM Resorts International this week over its legal maneuver seeking to consolidate multiple lawsuits stemming from the massacre.

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MGM last month sued more than 1,900 victims of the deadliest mass shooting in modern U.S. history in a bid to avoid liability for the gunfire that rained down from a lone gunman at its Mandalay Bay casino-resort. The company filed the lawsuits in eight states and then asked a panel of federal judges to combine those cases and others stemming from the shooting.

The company argues in the lawsuits that it has "no liability of any kind" to survivors or families of slain victims under a federal law enacted after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. It is not asking the victims for money and has insisted it is all an effort to avoid years of costly litigation.

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in court filings characterized the company's actions as "reprehensible."

"It is abusive of the courts, amounts to forum shopping, and is nothing more than an attempt to limit the victims' access to justice," they wrote in a court filing. They also say none of the defendants in the lawsuits have been served.

MGM spokeswoman Debra DeShong in a statement to The Associated Press Thursday called the allegations of improper service "baseless." She said the victims' attorneys have been properly served with notice of the proceedings before the panel of judges.

"That is what is required by the rules," she said.

The Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation has scheduled oral arguments in the case for next month in San Francisco.

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An official report describes in chilling detail the intensity of the rare fire phenomenon and how quickly it took the life of Redding firefighter Jeremy Stoke, who was enveloped in seconds as he tried to

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Three videos released with the report late Wednesday show the massive funnel of smoke and flames in a populated area on the edge of Redding, about 250 miles north of San Francisco.

The smoke-and-fire tornado was about 1,000 feet wide at its base and shot approximately 7.5 miles into the sky; it reached speeds of up to 165 mph, with temperatures that like-

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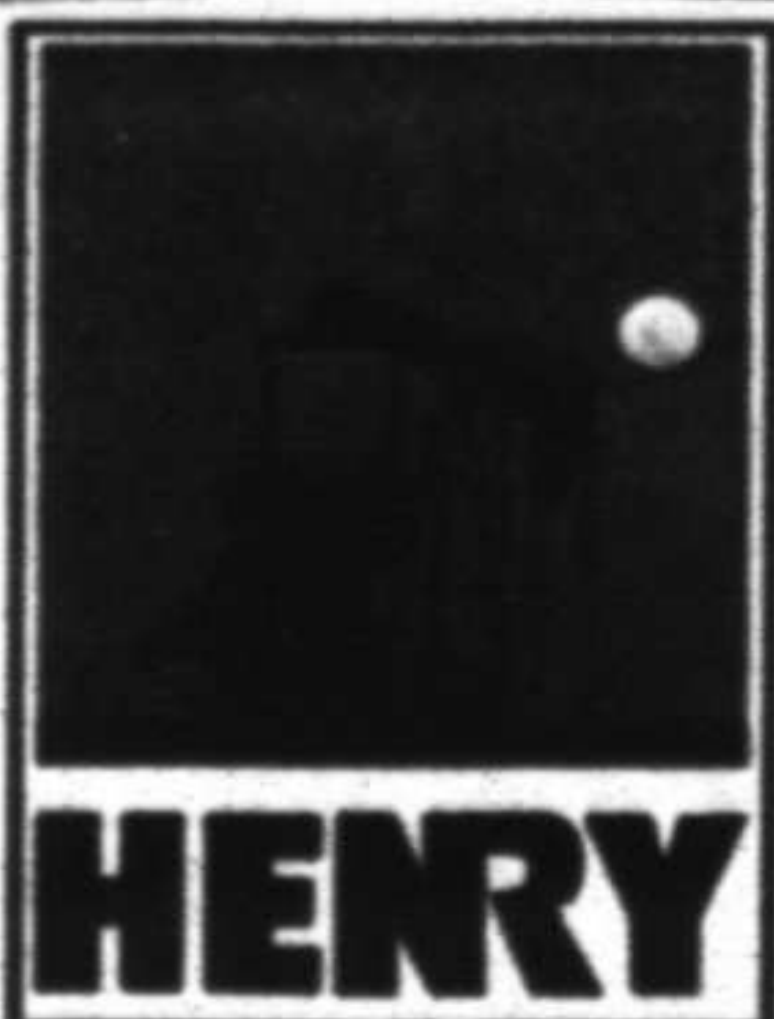
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Newspapers to Trump: We're not enemies of the people

By David Bauder
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NEW YORK — Newspapers from Maine to Hawaii pushed back against President Donald Trump's attacks on "fake news" with a coordinated series of editorials in defense of a free press on Thursday — and, not surprisingly, Trump didn't take it silently.

The campaign was set in motion by an editor at the Boston Globe, which argued in its own editorial that Trump's label of the media as the enemy of the people "is as un-American as it is dangerous to the civic compact we have shared for more than two centuries."

Trump denounced the effort on Twitter, saying the Globe was in collusion with other newspapers.

"There is nothing that I would want more for our country than true FREEDOM OF THE PRESS," the president typed. "The fact is that the press is FREE to write and say anything it wants, but much of what it says is FAKE NEWS, pushing a political agenda or just plain trying to hurt people."

Meanwhile, the U.S. Senate on Thursday passed a resolution with no objections stating that "the press is not the enemy of the people."

Cognizant of heated feelings on the issue, the Globe hired extra security on Thursday, said Jane Bowman, newspaper spokeswoman. "Journalistic outlets have had threats throughout time but it's the president's rhetoric that gives us the most concern," Bowman said.

It was not clear how many newspapers participated. Marjorie Pritchard, the editor who launched the campaign, said earlier in the week that some 350 news organizations indicated they would, but she did not immediately return messages on Thursday. Even with the coordinated effort, there was some significant blowback from newspapers that wrote to say they would not participate.

The Radio Television Digital News Association called on broadcasters and web sites to express support. Since Monday, there have been 2,240 mentions of either "First Amendment" or "free press" by broadcasters across the country, said Dan Shelley, the group's executive director. One TV station, WPSD in Paducah, Kentucky, showed a copy of the First Amendment guaranteeing freedom of the press on its screen before every commercial during newscasts, he said.

"It has been a big source of conversation all across the country," Shelley said. "Just because people are talking about it, it's a victory in my book."

Editorial boards at the Portland (Maine) Press-Herald and the Honolulu Star-

Advertiser and many places in between weighed in to support the effort.

"The true enemies of the people — and democracy — are those who try to suffocate truth by vilifying and demonizing the messenger," wrote the Des Moines Register in Iowa.

In St. Louis, the Post-Dispatch called journalists "the truest of patriots." The Chicago Sun-Times said it believed most Americans know that Trump is talking nonsense. The Fayetteville (North Carolina) Observer said it hoped Trump would stop, "but we're not holding our breath."

The Morning News of Savannah, Georgia, said it was a confidant of the people.

"Like any true friend, we don't always tell you what you want to hear," the Morning News said. "Our news team presents the happenings and issues in this community through the lens of objectivity. And like any true friend, we refuse to mislead you. Our reporters and editors strive for fairness."

The New York Times encouraged readers to subscribe to a local newspaper. "We're all in this together," the Times said.

That last sentiment made some journalists skittish. Some newspapers, including the Wall Street Journal, the San Francisco Chronicle, the Times-Picayune in New Orleans, the Rome (N.Y.) Daily Sentinel and the Richmond (Virginia) Times-Dispatch, contained editorials or columns explaining why they weren't joining the Globe's effort. Some worried that it played into the hands of Trump and his supporters who think the media is out to get him. The idea of a coordinated campaign simply left others cold, with one newspaper referencing a longtime rivalry.

"We prize our independence, both from government and from other media outlets," the New York Daily News wrote. "Coordination, especially with Boston, isn't in our nature."

There was also some scolding of the press — from the press — for letting distaste for Trump show up where it shouldn't in news stories.

"Just as his lack of restraint has often been the president's self-inflicted wound, the bias of some of the press has hurt journalism, at the very moment when it is most needed to save itself," said the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette. "It is time for a truce."

It remains unclear how much sway the effort will have. Newspaper editorial boards overwhelmingly opposed Trump's election in 2016. Polls show Republicans have grown more negative toward the news media in recent years: Pew Research Center said 85 percent of Republicans and Republican-leaning independents said in June 2017 that the news media has a negative effect on the country, up from 68 percent in 2010.

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Accountability starts with Wuerl's resignation

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In 1972, Pope Paul VI warned that "the smoke of Satan has entered the Church of God." We see that smoke throughout the report from a Pennsylvania grand jury, which alleges that more than 300 priests abused more than 1,000 children in six Pennsylvania dioceses — including 99 priests from the Diocese of Pittsburgh, which was led for 18 years by Cardinal Donald Wuerl, now archbishop of Washington.

How bad was the abuse? The report notes that "during the course of this investigation, the Grand Jury uncovered a ring of predatory priests operating within the (Pittsburgh) Diocese who shared intelligence or information regarding victims as well as exchanging the victims amongst themselves. This ring also manufactured child pornography ... (and) used whips, violence and sadism in raping their victims." According to Pennsylvania Attorney General Josh Shapiro, one victim, a boy named George, "was forced to stand on a bed in a rectory, strip naked and pose as Christ on the cross for the priests. They took photos of their victim, adding them to a collection of child pornography which

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they produced and shared on church grounds." Abusing a child while mocking the Passion of Christ is truly diabolical.

Wuerl, who served as the bishop of Pittsburgh from 1988 to 2006, did discipline some priests — and even went to the Vatican to fight an order that he reinstate one. But the grand jury also wrote that he reassigned other predator priests — including the one who "groomed" George and introduced him to the ring that photographed him. In at least one case, Wuerl required a victim to sign a "confidentiality agreement" barring him from discussing his abuse with any third party as part of a settlement.

That is a coverup. In addition, the grand jury also wrote that under his leadership the diocese failed to report allegations of abuse to law enforcement, advocated for a convicted predator at sentencing, and then provided an \$11,542.68 lump-sum payment to the disgraced priest after his release from prison.

The grand jury report comes on the

heels of the sickening accusations that Wuerl's predecessor as Washington archbishop, Cardinal Theodore McCarrick, sexually abused seminarians and young priests, and spent nearly 20 years molesting a young boy, the first person he baptized, beginning when the child was 11.

After the McCarrick allegations, Wuerl declared, "I don't think this is some massive, massive crisis." Excuse me, Your Eminence?

It is a massive, massive crisis. How was McCarrick allowed to rise through the hierarchy despite the countless warnings to both his fellow bishops and the Vatican that he was a sexual predator? Who knew? Who helped him? The same conspiracy of silence that allowed sexual predators to flourish in Wuerl's Pittsburgh diocese for decades also allowed McCarrick to become, until just a few weeks ago, one of the most powerful American cardinals, even in retirement.

This is not just a matter of getting rid of a few bad apples. There is a ring of abusers and their enablers in the Catholic hierarchy that must be rooted out. Every report of abuse that was overlooked or ignored, every abuse that was covered up with a nondisclosure agreement, must be exposed. The bishops and cardinals who ignored or covered up abuses are complicit and must be removed. The church must be cleansed, and the conspiracy of silence ended.

The only way to do this is through an independent investigation. The church has proved itself incapable of self-investigation and self-policing — which is evidenced by the fact we are just learning new details of the horrific extent of abuse from a grand jury 16 years after the scandal first erupted. My American Enterprise Institute colleague Michael Strain has recommended bringing back former Oklahoma governor, federal prosecutor and faithful Catholic Frank Keating to lead the investigation.

In 2003, Keating resigned from a lay-member church-appointed board looking into abuse after he refused to apologize for comparing the coverup by the bishops to the Mafia. That makes him precisely the right man for the job.

The bishops not only failed the victims but have also scandalized the church, undermined its teaching authority and driven countless people away from Christ. How many failed to go to confession, or left the sacraments, because of their actions — or their failure to act? We will never know. But they should heed Mark's Gospel, where Jesus warns, "Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were hung round his neck and he were thrown into the sea." This must be a time of repentance. Repentance requires accountability. And accountability requires resignations — starting with Wuerl's.

OPINION EXTRA

What if everybody stinks at everything?

This week, President Trump went on a Twitter rampage — rightly so — over the firing of FBI agent Peter Strzok. Strzok, you'll recall, is the agent who was tasked with overseeing both the Hillary Clinton email investigation and the Russian election-interference investigation. The married agent was texting with his married paramour, Lisa Page, at the time — and among their sexy texts was a bevy concerning their hatred for then-candidate Donald Trump. The Department of Justice inspector general report condemned Strzok's behavior, stating that it was "not only indicative of a biased state of mind but, even more seriously, implies a willingness to take official action to impact the presidential candidate's electoral prospect."

The only mystery is why Strzok's firing took so long. Now, the common theory growing on the right is that Strzok, along with his like-minded allies in our nation's intelligence agencies, crafted a plot to stop the Trump campaign or oust Trump after his election. They cite Strzok's texts as evidence of motive, which it clearly is. They also cite the relationship between Fusion GPS, the opposition-research firm hired by Hillary Clinton, and Department of Justice employee Bruce Ohr, whose wife worked for Fusion GPS; the use of the so-called Steele dossier, funded by Fusion GPS, in the application for a Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act warrant against former Trump campaign aide Carter Page; and the fact that Strzok maintained his employment with the FBI until now.

None of these accusations should be taken lightly. But there's another explanation that bears up under weight: Everybody sucks at everything. So, yes, Strzok was biased. But it's just possible that the FBI initiated the Russian election-interference investigation in good faith, and that the investigation went nowhere because the evidence never appeared — and because most investigations pursue empty leads on a routine basis. It's possible that Strzok is a grandstanding moron with a penchant for grandiosity, particularly when texting his mistress. It's possible that former FBI Director James Comey was radically incompetent at his job.

Which is more likely: that a massive conspiracy took place at the top levels of the FBI and the DOJ to "get Trump" — and that the most damning evidence of Russian collusion, the Trump Tower meeting between Donald Trump Jr. and a Russian government-backed lawyer, didn't emerge until months after the election due to intricate planning? Or that bureaucrats are generally awful at their jobs?

The comfortable thing about conspiracy theories is that they allow us to graft logic onto chaos — they give us a feeling of security. In the words of the Joker in "The Dark Knight," "No-body panics when things go according to plan, even if the plan is horrifying." But what if there is no plan? What if everybody is just bad at everything? What if the adults who run the most important institutions in the country were the children who picked their noses and put the boogers under the desks in school?

Strzok should have been fired. We should check out all allegations of misconduct in government. But our first instinct should usually be to attribute malign acts in government to incompetence rather than malice, because that's usually more accurate.

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The Catholic Church must follow sex abuse investigations with reforms

We are profoundly saddened each time we hear about the harm caused as a result of abuse, at the hands of a clergyman of any rank.

So begins the insipid statement of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops in response to Pennsylvania's nearly 900-page grand jury report on clerical sexual abuse.

Yes, the predatory behavior of 300 priests over the course of seven decades in six Pennsylvania dioceses is profoundly disheartening.

The abuses read like story lines from a seedy prime-time crime drama — child pornography rings, coerced abortion, sexual grooming, repeated rape. Sadly, they are not drama.

The victims — more than 1,000 of them (although the grand jury suspects there were thousands more) — were children and teenagers, whose young lives were shattered by abuse at the hands of men whom they and their families no doubt trusted — their priests.

But the USCCB's characterization is far from adequate. The report is infuriating. To simply call it sad or shameful is more than a misunderstanding of the report's contents, it's confirmation that the most sobering allegations the grand jury identified are true — the depraved indifference of many in Church leadership to decades of abuse by priests and more importantly, to their victims.

Indeed, the grand jury found in case after case that bishops and cardinals wittingly ignored abuses, shuffled accused priests from parish to parish, expressed sympathy for abusers over the abuse, and actively sought to quash accusations. Some of those implicated did not suffer for their silence but now occupy places of prominence in the Church hierarchy.

A report of this nature, with its sickening details and scathing indictments should induce church leaders universally to fall on their swords. It should produce a fury so visceral and compelling that prelates everywhere, moved by the power of God, choose to sacrifice their lives and professional pursuits to ensure the safety of the faith and the faithful.

Instead the reaction of many bishops and cardinals has focused mostly on defending their own reputations.

Washington Archbishop Donald Cardinal Wuerl, who served as Bishop of Pittsburgh for a period of time covered by the report, preemptively established a website (since taken down) detailing his record on protecting victims of abuse.

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Wuerl, lest we forget, had a less than robust response to the resignation of his predecessor, now former Cardinal Theodore McCarrick, who rose high in the ranks of the Catholic Church despite supposedly widespread knowledge of his sexual abuse of minors and serial sexual harassment of seminarians.

To his credit, Fort Worth Bishop Michael Olson was not equivocal.

Justice he said, "requires that all of those in Church leadership who knew of the alleged crimes and sexual misconduct and did nothing be held accountable, morally and legally, for their refusal to act."

Those sentiments are in keeping with Olson's recent statements on McCarrick, which have notably been stronger than many of his peers.

There are still good priests and bishops among us.

The burden is now on them to prove their commitment not merely to preventing future abuses but to what Fr. Dominic Legge describes as "cleansing the Church of its clerical sacrilege."

That will necessitate any number of reforms, including thorough investigations into the past and present handling of cases of abuse, and sanction and possible removal of any sexually active priests or seminarians (whether with children or adults). Prelates who turned a blind eye to reports of abuse or unchaste behavior, whether heterosexual or homosexual, should resign or be removed. Those who ignored or covered up credible reports of abuse should also be referred to civil authorities for prosecution if possible.

It might mean also that other states follow the example of Pennsylvania and enlist civil authorities to investigate Church abuses.

If the Church is going to survive, nothing less is required. Catholics should demand nothing less. Sunlight is cleansing, but so is fire.

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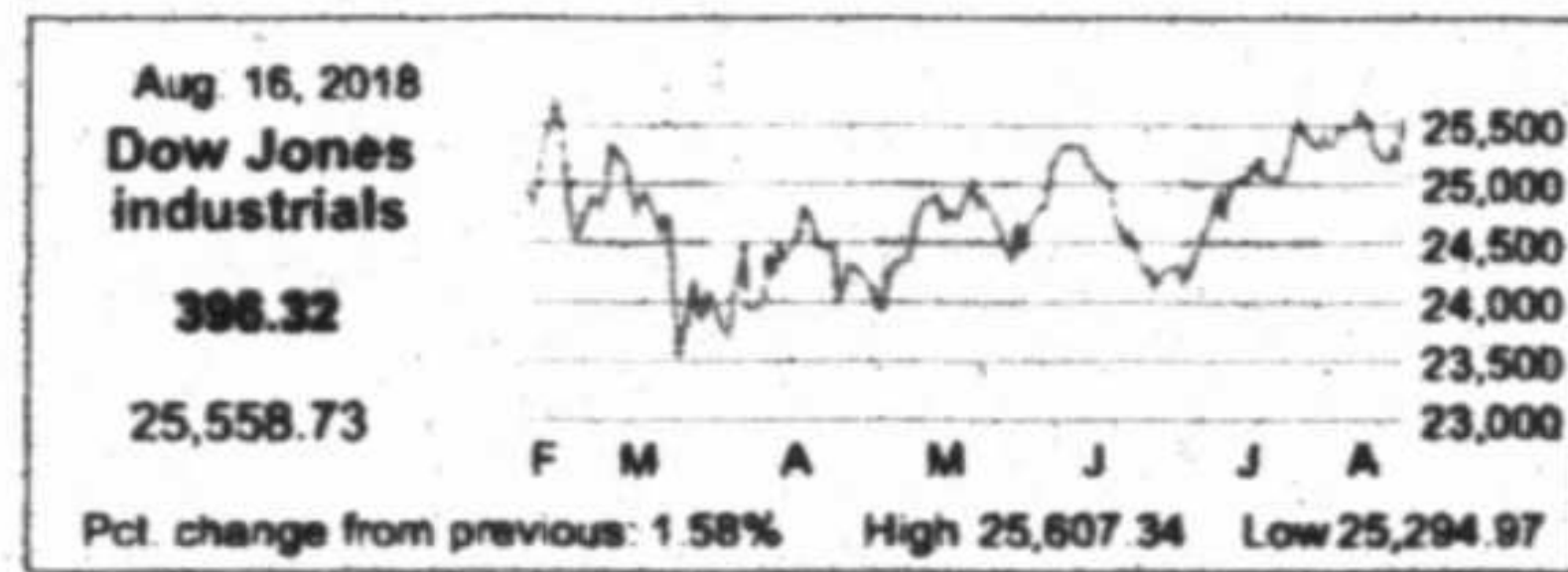
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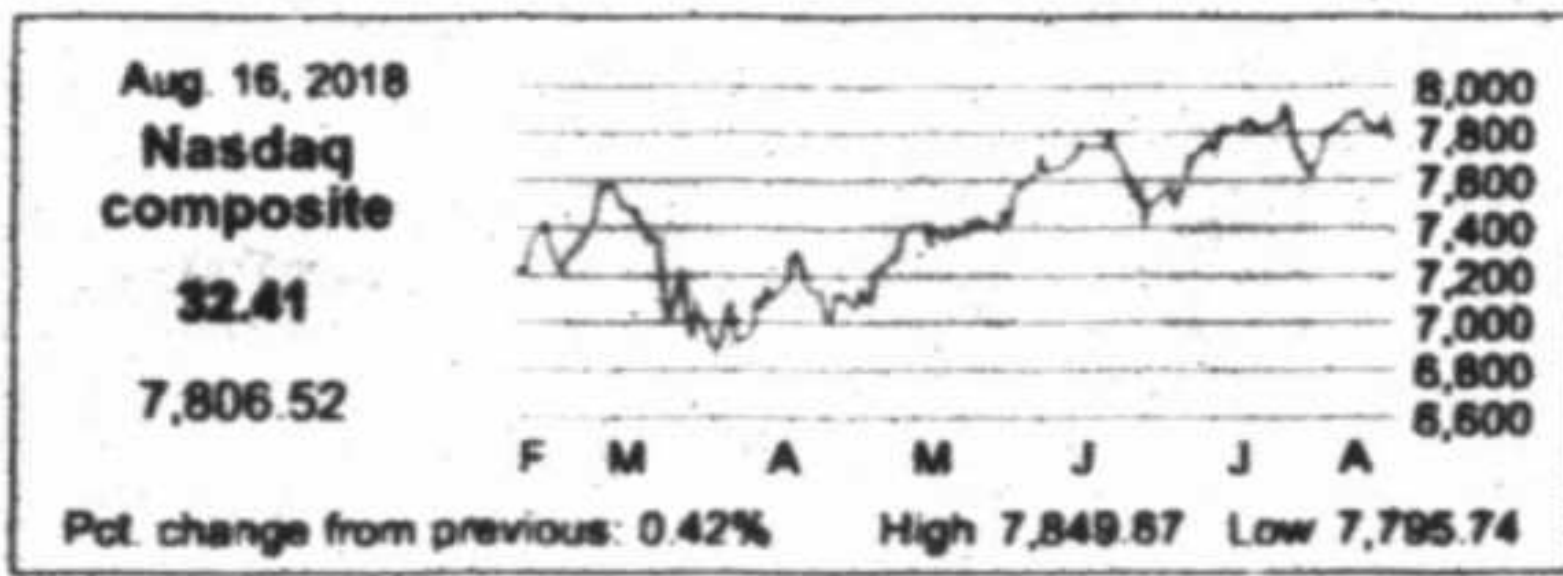
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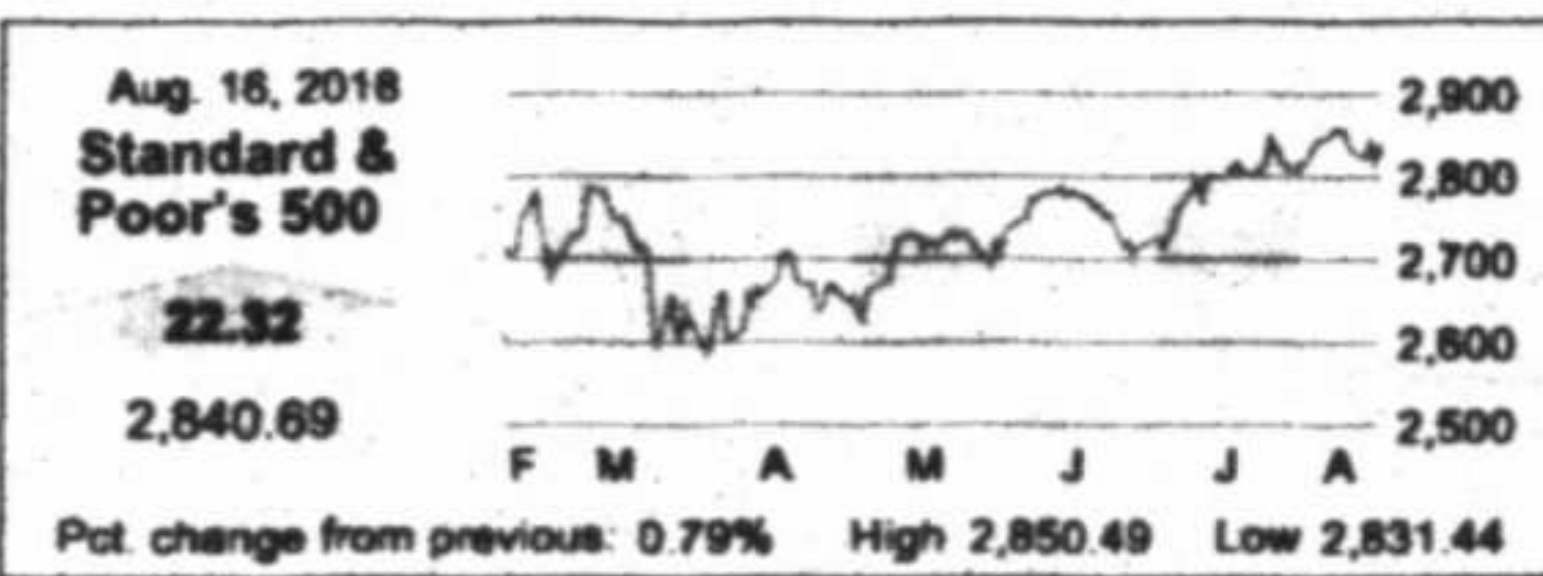
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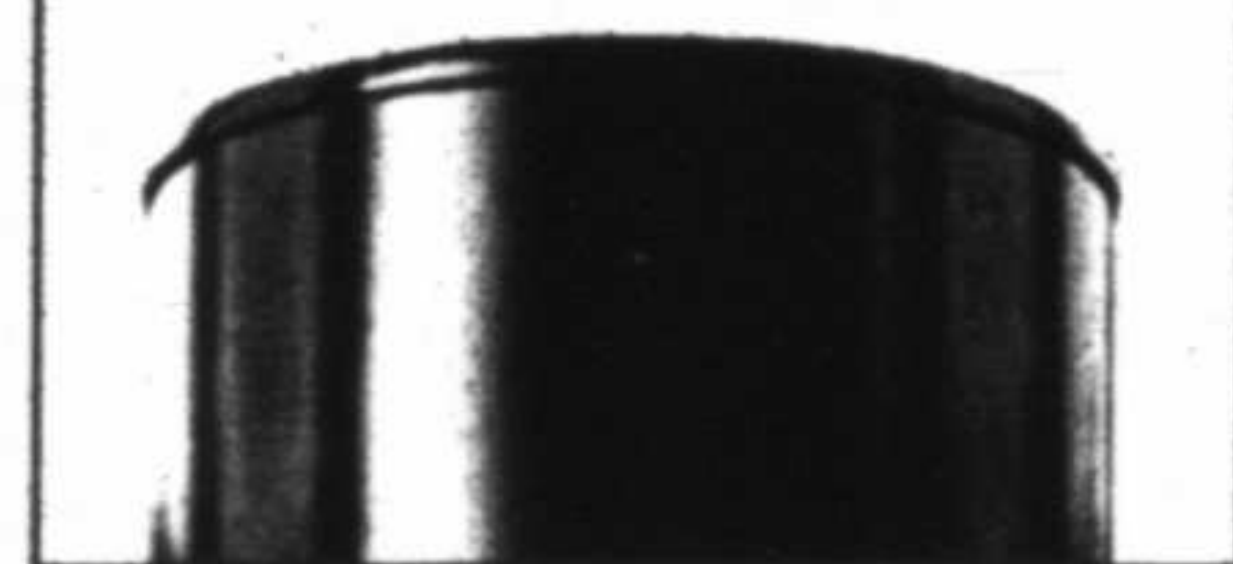
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Kudlow: China is sending team to Washington to talk trade

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The United States and China are resuming trade talks, raising hopes for a way out of an intensifying dispute between the world's two largest economies.

White House economic adviser Larry Kudlow told reporters Thursday that the U.S. team will be led by David Malpass, U.S. Treasury under secretary for international affairs. Earlier, China said it would send a delegation led by a deputy commerce minister.

This meeting would be the first between senior U.S. and Chinese officials since June 3 talks in Beijing ended with no settlement. The United States has already imposed taxes on \$34 billion in Chinese goods, drawing Chinese retaliation. President Donald Trump is readying tariffs on \$216 billion more, and Beijing has vowed to counterpunch with its own trade sanctions.

"We haven't really had a sit-down with them in quite some time at any level. So who knows? But it's got to be a good thing," said Kudlow, director of the National Economic Council.

Investors expressed relief at the prospect of a cease-fire in a trade standoff that has been escalating for months. The Dow Jones industrial average was up more than 365 points in late morning trading.

"It's better to be talking than not talking, particularly in a dispute which shows no signs of let up and where mutual trust is so low," said Wendy Cutler, a former U.S. trade negotiator who is a vice president at the Asia Society Policy Institute.

But she cautioned: "We should not expect any breakthroughs at this meeting and keep expectations low. At best, the two sides could agree on future engagement at a more senior level and start exploring possible off ramps from this escalating dispute." The United States and China are battling over China's aggressive campaign to chal-

lenge American technological dominance. The U.S. charges that China uses predatory tactics ranging from outright cyberheft to forcing foreign companies to hand over technology as the price of admission to the Chinese market.

Efforts to resolve the dispute have bogged down. In May, Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin had declared the trade war "on hold" after China agreed to reduce the U.S. trade deficit by buying more American energy and farm products. But Trump reversed course and announced that the U.S. would go ahead with tariffs on Chinese goods, and Beijing withdrew its offer to step up purchases of American products.

The talks scheduled for later this month sound "like a lower-level version of what we had in May. They struck a deal and one week later the president rejected it," said Philip Levy, a senior fellow at the Chicago Council on Global Affairs and a White House trade adviser in the administration of President George W. Bush. "What we've seen in China negotiations is that the president has repeatedly failed to trust his own people."

The U.S. trade deficit with China in goods and services — the gap between what the U.S. sells the Chinese and what it buys from them — came to a record \$336 billion last year. Trump blames unfair Chinese trade practices for the vast trade gap.

"We're talking about two fundamentally different approaches to commerce," said trade lawyer Robert Holleyman, a partner at Crowell & Moring law firm and an Obama administration U.S. trade official involved in negotiations with China. "China has a state-planned and state-driven, heavily subsidized and substantially closed economy. The U.S. is in favor of a more open market economy. Can those differences be bridged? Or are they so fundamental that the tariffs and retaliatory tariffs become the norm."

Stocks march higher

NEW YORK — U.S. stocks jumped Thursday as China and the U.S. said they will hold their first trade discussions in months, a potential sign of progress toward ending their trade war.

China will send a trade envoy to Washington later this month in a new attempt to end the trade dispute before it causes major damage to the global economy. The two sides haven't talked since early June. Energy and metals prices and shares of industrial companies turned higher.

Walmart soared after reporting its strongest growth in sales in more than a decade. Other companies that make and sell basic necessities also rose.

Jason Draho, the head of asset allocation for UBS, said investors are eager for the two countries to start making progress and resolve their differences. He added that China may be changing course because its economy has slowed.

"The data we've seen from China recently has showed slowing growth," he said. "It's possible they decided 'OK, we need to take a different approach' and come to the table offering a little more."

Metals end mixed

Gold dipped 0.1 percent to \$1,184 an ounce. Silver rose 1.8 percent to \$14.71 an ounce. Copper added 2.2 percent to \$2.62 a pound. That made up for much of Wednesday's loss, but copper prices are still down 20 percent since early June.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price \$133.58 Up 2.22

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price \$5.68 Up 0.06

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price \$120.46 Up 2.76

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price \$4.88 Up 0.77

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price \$5.06 Up 0.06

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price \$21.35 Up 0.05

ProPetro Holdings (PUMP)
Closing Price \$15.94 Up 0.40

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price \$12.05 Up 0.30

Viper Energy Partners (VNOM)
Closing Price \$38.33 Up 0.91

Grocer rolls out driverless delivery cars

Associated Press

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — At a time when big-box retailers are trying to offer the same conveniences as their online competitors, the biggest U.S. grocery chain is testing the use of driverless cars to deliver groceries in a Phoenix suburb.

Kroger's pilot program launched Thursday morning with a robotic vehicle parked outside one of its own Fry's supermarkets in Scottsdale. A store clerk loaded the back seat with full grocery bags. A man was in the driver's seat and another was in the front passenger seat with a laptop. Both were there to monitor the car's performance.

Under the self-driving service, shoppers can order same-day or next-day delivery

online or on a mobile app for a flat rate of about \$6. After the order is placed, a driverless vehicle will deliver the groceries curbside, requiring customers to be present to fetch them. The vehicles will probably be opened with a numeric code.

Currently, Kroger is operating with Toyota Prius vehicles. During the next phase of testing in the fall, deliveries will be made by a completely autonomous vehicle with no human aboard.

Cincinnati-based Kroger Co., is partnering with Nuro, a Silicon Valley startup founded by two engineers who worked on autonomous vehicles at Google.

"Our goal is to save people time, while operating safely and learning how we can further improve the experience," Nuro co-founder Dave Ferguson said in a statement.

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

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AT&T Inc	2.00	6	30.09	0.00	0.00	-14.9	ConocoPhillips	38	133.58	0.22	-11.1	-1.1	JP Morgan	2.24	15	114.77	1.07	0.7	0.7	Pfizer	3.00	15	114.77	1.07	0.7	0.7	Raytheon	10	10	10.00	0.00	-3	
Alcoa	31	2.17	2.97	0.00	0.00	-15.8	Costco	1.48	9	68.41	0.18	0.3	0.3	Johnson	3.00	19	132.48	0.86	0.5	0.5	Scholar	1.50	10	65.78	0.08	-2.7	Wendell	1.50	10	37.50	0.12	-2.8	
Adia/Div	1.32	16	16.16	0.15	0.9	7.5	Crit	50	11.48	0.05	-22.3	-2.3	Kellogg	4.80	23	118.26	0.80	0.7	0.7	Ranger	0.16	14.63	0.05	-14.2	Twitter	1.00	10	32.83	0.45	-36.7			
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Jumburrito



What do you get when you combine a passion for good food and exceptional tortillas, hard work and 39 years of experience? You'll get this year's Reader's Choice Winner – Jumburrito – one of the best Texican restaurants and burrito joints in West Texas.

With all of its success in the food industry, it's no wonder the community can't get enough of this local favorite.

When Jumburrito owners Jose and Diane Cuevas, then only 22 and 20, pulled together all of their savings and founded Jumburrito on December 5, 1979, they had no idea that 38 years later they'd be celebrating the success of operating one of the area's top restaurants. Their first jobs were working in restaurants and hotels busing tables, washing dishes, waiting on guests and then management. After working in the hospitality business for a brief period time, Cuevas said it soon became their dream to own an open restaurant.

"But, I knew at that time I couldn't afford to buy all of the silverware, plates and things like that, so we went with the fast-food industry," Cuevas said. After he and his wife invested all of their \$2,500 in savings and a small bank loan into kick-starting the restaurant, they leased 650 square-feet on 1301 N. Lamesa Road. Cuevas said he took an overhead projector and drew the company's first logo on the transparency before driving to the building at night, when he put the projected logo on the wall and traced and hand-painted the first Jumburrito sign.

"On our first day, we ran about \$75 dollars, but soon we got busier and busier, but it took time," Cuevas said. "We put out a lot of fliers, we knocked on a lot of businesses' doors and handed out a lot of free burritos in the beginning."

Cuevas said they built it from the bottom up. "In the beginning, it was me, Diane, Tomas Gonzales, our first fantastic cook and Andrea Gonzalez, our first great tortilla maker," Cuevas said. "We got so busy we couldn't keep up with demand, and I had to hire some ladies who were the best tortilla-makers in the neighborhood, if not in West Texas, to make tortillas at their homes."

Cuevas provided them with all the supplies they needed to make their homemade tortillas and would pick them up daily to bring them to the restaurant. Now, he said now they have a large commissary that turns out 8,600 to 10,000 tortillas daily, and they're still just as fresh as when he started the restaurant. They also make their own hot and mild sauce daily, turning out about 6 million one-ounce cups annually.

"I think what sets us apart is our passion for making great food," Cuevas said. "We're always looking at ways to improve. Cooking an egg is not the easiest thing to do, we are constantly learning while looking for that perfect egg-cooking method. There are so many variables to take into consideration like type of eggs, cooking temperature, butter, soft, medium or hard cooked,



bacon, ham, sausage, or chorizo. We are honored that our guests give us credit for the extra steps we take to be number one."

Most recently, they've teamed up with John Scharbauer, the owner of Midland Meat Company, to bring customers the finest hormone-free, steroid-free and grass-fed Wagyu ground beef. They'll continue working with Scharbauer to introduce more beef options at a price point that works for their guests, because he is also passionate about cleaner eating and how Midland Meat Company's beef is healthier.

Jumburrito serves up their award-winning breakfast burritos all day. Guests won't want to miss out on their authentic, fantastic Texican lunch and dinner burritos.

Cuevas said he believes the success of the locally-owned restaurant rests in how passionate he and his team are about crafting quality food and serving up excellent customer service.

"We're passionate for what we do and we're passionate about serving our guests and taking care of our employees," Cuevas said. "We have a lot of fun as a team and we're all passionate about everything we do."

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THIS WEEK

TODAY



SHOOTOUT

Teams gather for the 17th annual Bustin' Clay for United Way at Jake's Clays. Proceeds will benefit the United Way which supports more than 50 nonprofit community programs. The first of three flights begins at 7:30 a.m.

SATURDAY

FENDERS AND FELLOWSHIP

Mid-Cities Community Church hosts a Guys Night Out Car Show with a special worship time and a selection of vintage and collectible vehicles on display at the 191 campus. 3 p.m.



OFF TO MARKET

The Midland Downtown Farmers Market features a variety of vendors along with Music on the Porch, DELL educational workshops and onsite food trucks at the Museum of the Southwest. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.



MOVIE MORNING

Cinergy Midland hosts its Sensory-Friendly Screening featuring "Disney's Christopher Robin." This special screening features an accommodating theater for guests on the spectrum or with sensory-processing disorders. 9:30 a.m.

SUNDAY

MINISTRY MATCHUP

St. Nicholas' Episcopal hosts Rally Day after 9:30 a.m. service. The parish picnic and ministry celebration showcases all the church's ministries and how members and community can serve. 11 a.m.



RIDE ON

CycleBar hosts a 45-minute benefit ride with proceeds benefiting the Crisis Center of West Texas. \$25. 3-30 p.m.

MONDAY

ENGLISH 101

Midland Need to Read's fall classes for adults begin and run through Nov. 15. The \$25 fee covers materials required for class. Register at midlandneedtoread.org.

TUESDAY

GO GREEN

The Permian Basin Gardeners host "Full Color" at the West Texas Food Bank in Odessa to help you prepare your gardens and yards for the fall. 6 p.m. Tuesday and 9 a.m. Wednesday.

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Pianist Young Llerena rehearses Monday afternoon in the sanctuary at First Methodist Church, where she will perform today.

Pianist Young Llerena's devotion to music and God creates opportunities

By Rich Lopez
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On Wednesday, Young Kwon Llerena's life changed, although she wouldn't say that. After her drive to El Paso the night before, she took her oath of allegiance and finally became a United States citizen. And that was just one of the highlights of this week for the Korean-born pianist, which also marked her wedding anniversary and one-year anniversary in Midland. For added measure, she performs tonight at her recital concert, "An Evening of Worship" at First Methodist Midland.

"My parents never expected that I would come so far with my piano playing," the 39-year-old said.

At age 5, Llerena started playing the piano in her hometown of Danyang, South Korea. That began a road that would take her around the world.

"I had a really good childhood, and I dreamed of becoming a pianist. My piano teacher knew that I needed to have more serious studies. She saw there was a potential in me," Llerena said.

Llerena grew up with a strong Christian foundation as well as the piano. She worked in churches accompanying services while also competing in regional and international competitions. She played through school, but a pastor recommended that she continue



If you go

An Evening of Worship featuring pianist Dr. Young Llerena, who will perform selections of classical and inspirational piano music. 7 p.m. today at First Methodist Midland, 300 N. Main St. firstmethodistmidland.com.

her studies in the United States.

At 24, she moved to Fort Worth to study music at the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. She found herself on her

own for the first time. With no family here, she kept an optimistic attitude and saw it as a big adventure. But it also expanded her perspective on music, faith and the world.

"I was a piano performance major and in seminary, it works like studying in a conservatory but with added theological studies. I wasn't sure about church music, at first," she said. "The experience really broadened my eyes and helped me open up to more than just piano."

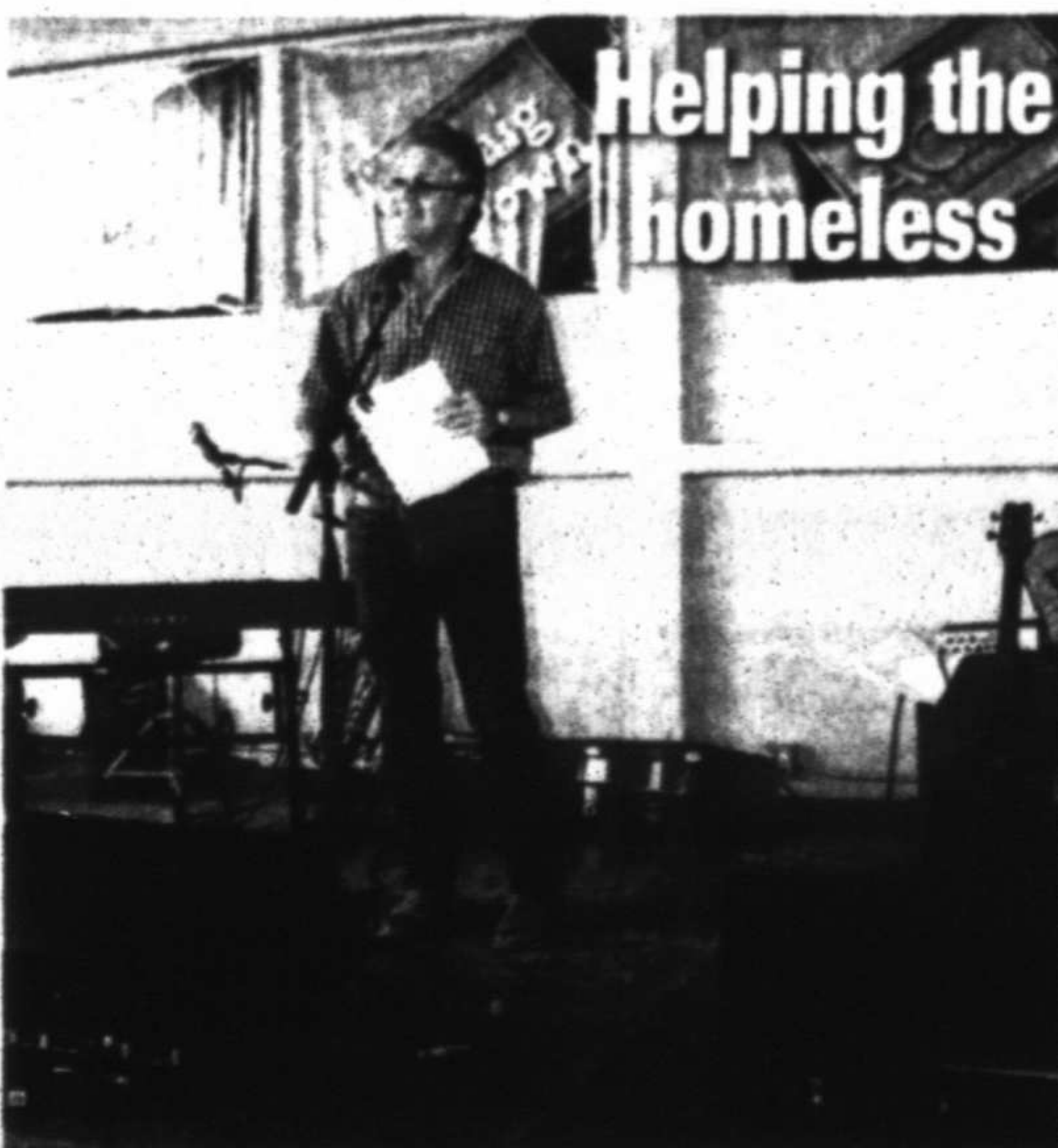
Llerena performed all around the world as either an accompanist or soloist. She's performed in Europe, Canada, Japan, and perhaps the ultimate goal for a pianist of her stature, Carnegie Hall. In 2016, she performed the original version of tonight's concert, "An Evening of Piano Worship."

She'll play the venue again next year, accompanying her old college friend, who is a soprano now living in France.

Through a lifetime commitment of study and her faith in God, Llerena's dreams have come true, and she knows that.

"Right now, I think I've achieved my dream as a pianist and more than I ever imagined. I got my doctorate. I played for some of the biggest ensembles. I never imagined Carnegie Hall," she said. "At this point, everything is extra. Whatever is next, I'm grateful to God to have gone above my dreams."

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Helping the
homeless

Courtesy photo

On Aug. 11, Family Promise hosted its inaugural Keeping the Promise Blue Jean Ball featuring a live performance by Mikki Daniel at Rolling 7's Ranch. Executive Director Tom Miller addresses the guests in attendance. Family Promise works to end homelessness in Midland.

H-E-B customers can donate to effort to battle cancer

From staff reports

H-E-B announced its third annual fundraising campaign with The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center to help create a future free from cancer. Through Sept. 11, H-E-B customers will have the opportunity to make \$1, \$3 and \$5 donations at the register. During its campaigns over the last two years, H-E-B has raised more than \$650,000 for MD Anderson.

"H-E-B is proud to support MD Anderson as they work to make cancer history both during this special campaign and throughout the year," Winell Herron, group vice president of Public Affairs, Diversity and Environmental Affairs, and a member of the MD Anderson Cancer Center Board of Visitors said. "The support from our H-E-B customers and partners in this fundraising effort goes a long way in the fight to end cancer."

In U.S. News & World Report's "Best Hospitals" survey, MD Anderson ranked first for cancer care. Its sole mission is to eliminate cancer in Texas, the nation and the world. Last year, more than 137,000 patients sought care at MD Anderson, 44,000 of whom were new patients.

"MD Anderson is honored to partner with H-E-B, a great Texas company that has served the people of this state since 1905," MD Anderson Peter W.T. Pisters said in the release. "We appreciate H-E-B's leadership, employees and customers who share our commitment of Making Cancer History for all Texans and people around the world."

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Ex-Dallas bishop whose tenure marred by scandal dies at 87

By David Warren
Associated Press

DALLAS — The Most Rev. Charles Graham, whose 17-year tenure as bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Dallas was marred by one of the first church sex abuse scandals to explode into public view, died Tuesday. He was 87.

Graham, who had endured a long illness, died during cardiac surgery in San Antonio, according to current Bishop Edward Burns.

Graham was the sixth bishop of the Dallas diocese and served from 1990 to 2007, overseeing dozens of parishes and upward of 800,000 worshippers. He was appointed in 1982 as the first bishop of the Diocese of Victoria, in South Texas, before moving to Dallas, where he was

known for his ministry to the poor and marginalized.

"He built a number of parishes and schools and, of course, embraced the Hispanic community here within the Diocese of Dallas," Burns said Tuesday. "And it was, of course, during his tenure that he, too, shepherded this church during very difficult days."

Burns was referring to the case of a priest, Rudolph "Rudy" Kos, who in 1998 was sentenced to life in prison for sexually assaulting children. A Dallas County jury a year earlier returned a \$120 million civil judgment in favor of 11 victims after finding that the Dallas diocese committed gross negligence and concealed information about its handling of Kos.

The judgment at that time was the largest ever awarded in the country involving

a clergy sex abuse case.

Graham had Kos defrocked and apologized to the victims, but his time as bishop was dogged by charges that he didn't move earlier to stop Kos from preying on children. The diocese at the time also was accused of failing to remove at least two others from the priesthood who displayed abusive behavior, according to the Massachusetts-based research and advocacy organization, BishopAccountability.org.

Graham died on the same day a Pennsylvania grand jury report was released accusing church officials there of systematically covering up abuse complaints. More than 1,000 children were molested since the 1940s by some 300 Roman Catholic priests, according to the report.

CALENDAR

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TODAY

The 17th annual Bustin' Clay for United Way. 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m. at Jake's Clays, 13301 Farm-to-Market Road 1379. \$200 per shooter. bustinclayforunitedway.org.

AARP Defensive Driving. Noon at Midland Senior Center, 3303 W. Illinois Ave. seniorlinkmidland.org.

Ribeye Steak Night benefits the VFW. 6-9 p.m. every first and third Friday at Tall City VFW Post 7208, 1306 E. Taylor Ave. \$15.

Liberty in Christ prayer and fellowship. 6-8 p.m. at Alamo Heights Baptist Church, 1305 N. Midland Drive.

CODA Group: 12 step program for relationships. 7 p.m. Fridays and Sundays at Christ Church Anglican, 5501 N. Midkiff Road. 599-4490.

An Evening of Worship featuring pianist Dr. Young Llerena, who will perform selections of classical and inspirational piano music. 7 p.m. at First Methodist Midland, 300 N. Main St.

Magical Woods of West Texas by Tree of Life Open Circle. 8 p.m. at Unitarian Universalist Church of Midland, 3301 Neely Ave.

SATURDAY

Midland Downtown Farmers Market celebrates its 11th season. Along with a variety of vendors, the market will include Music on the Porch, DELL workshops and onsite food trucks. Visit the calendar online for details and changes. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. through Oct. 27 at Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. midlanddowntownfarmersmarket.com.

Yoga Event will feature movement therapy, food and guest guide. 9 a.m.-noon at Yoga Sanctuary, 4202N Dawn Circle. \$100. annelucero.com.

Free Yoga. Open class but mats are encouraged to bring. 9 a.m. through Dec. 29 at Unitarian Universalist Church of Midland, 3301 Neely Ave. Free.

Sensory-Friendly Screening: "Disney's Christopher Robin." This special screening features an accommodating theater for guests on the spectrum or with sensory-processing disorders. 9:30 a.m. at Cinergy Midland, 1917 Liberty Drive.

Fight Night with Drs. Les and Lottie Pearson is a relationship workshop filled with humor and discussion. 2-4:30

LLERENA

From 1B

During her time in Fort Worth, she met the man who became her husband. His job brought the two to Midland. Llerena began her tenure as First Methodist Midland's pianist and organist on New Year's Eve last year. Fast forward to today, and they are seven years in. And now she plays her first concert in her new home as an American citizen.

"An Evening of Worship" is a show of both religious and classical pieces with Llerena front and center — but she plans to offer more than just music.

"There are about a dozen pieces, but I will also share about my life and my faith — as a musician, as a Christian and as a Korean living in America. As I get older, God is teaching me to appreciate every little thing, and I want to share that."

Obituaries



Jo E. Haller

Funeral services for Jo E. Haller, 86, of Seminole, Texas, will be held Saturday, August 18, 2018 at First Presbyterian Church at 4:00 p.m. with Pastor Dennis Haralson officiating and Pastor Tommy Taylor assisting. Burial will follow at Gaines County Cemetery.

All services are under the direction of Boyer Funeral Home of Seminole.

Edward Nieves Hernandez

Edward (Lalo) Nieves Hernandez, 76, of Midland, TX, went home to be with his Heavenly Father on Tuesday, August 14, 2018.

He was born and raised in Brady, Texas.

He met his wife in San Angelo, TX, and soon after they married and moved to Midland, TX, where they raised four children.

He very much enjoyed watching his grandson (Bam) play baseball, gardening, and loved watching his teams play, the Texas Rangers and the Dallas Cowboys.

He is survived by his wife Julia Hernandez, one son, Edward (Eddie) Hernandez

of Midland, TX; three daughters, Susan Benavidez of Midland, TX, Tammy Garcia of Houston, TX, and Diana Sosa of Houston, TX; one step brother, Juan Lendeza of San Antonio, TX; one sister, Corina Orona of Fort Worth, TX; and by two step sisters, Juana Ledezma of Palm Beach, CA and Sylvia Porter of Blythe, CA.

He is preceded in death by his parents, his mother Rosa Nieves, his father Eduardo Hernandez, brother Jesus Hernandez, and stepbrothers Ramon Ledezma and Jesse Hernandez.

There will be a celebration of life on Saturday, August 18, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at Heavenly Gate Chapel.

The family would like to express their gratitude toward Dr. Cholia, Dr. Rosanna Catalasan, and Dr. Gerardo Catalasan for taking care of his health.

Funeral service is under the direction of Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel.

Family messages and condolences may be emailed to pipkin@nts-online.net or you can visit our website at www.lewallengarciapipkinfl.com.

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Martha June Mitchell

Martha June Mitchell, 79, of Midland, Texas, passed away Wednesday, August 15, 2018 after an 11 year battle with Alzheimer's.

The family will receive guests from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Friday, August 17, 2018 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Graveside services will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 18, 2018, at Serenity Memorial Gardens.

Martha was born July 1, 1939 in Fort Worth, Texas to J.D. and Bertie Bowen. On March 7, 1954 she married Billy Mitchell in Midland, Texas with whom she raised three beautiful children.

She gave her life to Christ at an early age and kept her faith as a number one priority through life, teaching and raising her children and grandchildren in a Godly manner. She most enjoyed spending time with her family, welcoming two grandchildren and later three great-grandchildren into the world. Her fierce love for her family and spit fire personality will forever remain in the hearts of her loved ones.

Martha loved to sew, so much that she could make just about anything she saw, even without a template. She enjoyed decorating her home during the holidays, especially Christmas, her favorite holiday. Summer breaks were also one of her favorite times, as she and her family would go camping in Colorado.

She is survived by her

husband of 64 years, Billy Mitchell; children, Nessia and husband Mark Allen, Drew Mitchell and Neal Mitchell; grandchildren, Savannah and Raleigh Allen; great-grandchildren, Jonah, Layla and Emery.

She is preceded in death by her mother, Bertie Bowen; and father, J.D. Bowen.

The family wishes to extend their sincere and deep gratitude to Manor Park Younger Center, Hospice of Midland, Dr. Robert A. Vogel, Dr. P.J. Patel and the staff at Midland Memorial ICU and 7th floor for their time, compassion and care during her time here with us.

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

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Death Notices

Johnnie Collin Watkins

Johnnie Collin Watkins, 85, of Midland, died Saturday, August 11, 2018.

A Memorial Service will be held at 4:00 PM Saturday, August 18, 2018, at the Parks-Faudree Family Chapel, within the Wallace Building in The Village at Manor Park under the direction of Sunset Memorial Funeral Home of Odessa.

Sherri Lyn Winkler

Funeral services for Sherri Lyn Winkler 59, of Midland are pending at Jackie Warren Funeral Home. Sherri Lyn Winkler died August 13, 2018 at a local hospital.

Willie L. Black

Funeral service for Willie L. Black 74, of Midland are pending at Jackie Warren Funeral Home. Willie L. Black died August 16, 2018, at a local hospital.

Zackary Glasscock

Zackary Glasscock, 27, of Midland, passed away on Wednesday, August 15, 2018.

Memorial services will be held at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, August 18, 2018 at Crestview Baptist Church.

All floral offerings may be taken to Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory in Midland.

Survivors include parents, Cristy Stevens Cates and Jeffrey Cates and Christopher and Donella Glasscock; children, Scott Glasscock, Daniel Glasscock, and Kevin Glasscock; and four siblings.

'Queen of Soul' Aretha Franklin dies in Detroit at 76

By Mesfin Fekadu
and Hillel Italie
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Aretha Franklin, the undisputed "Queen of Soul" who sang with matchless style on such classics as "Think," "I Say a Little Prayer" and her signature song, "Respect," and stood as a cultural icon around the globe, has died from pancreatic cancer. She was 76.

Publicist Gwendolyn Quinn told The Associated Press through a family statement that Franklin died Thursday at 9:50 a.m. at her home in Detroit.

A professional singer and pianist by her late teens, a superstar by her mid-20s, Franklin had long ago settled any arguments over who was the greatest popular vocalist of her time. Her gifts, natural and acquired, were a multi-octave mezzo-soprano, gospel passion and training worthy of a preacher's daughter, taste sophisticated and eccentric, and the courage to channel private pain into liberating song.

She recorded hundreds of tracks and had dozens of hits over the span of a half century, including 20 that reached No. 1 on the R&B charts. But her reputation was defined by an extraordinary run of top 10 smashes in the late 1960s, from the morning-after bliss of "(You Make Me Feel Like) A Natural Woman," to the wind-up "Chain of Fools" to her unstoppable call for "Respect."

The music industry couldn't honor her enough. Franklin won 18 Grammy awards. In 1987, she became the first woman inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame.

Fellow singers bowed to her eminence and political and civic leaders treated her as a poet. The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. was a longtime friend, and she sang at the dedication of King's memorial, in 2011. She performed at the inaugurations of Presidents Bill Clinton and Jimmy Carter, and at the funeral for civil rights pioneer Rosa Parks. Clinton gave Franklin the National Medal of Arts. President George W. Bush awarded her the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor, in 2005.

Franklin's best-known appearance with a president was in January 2009, when she sang "My Country 'Tis of Thee" at Barack

Obama's inauguration. She wore a gray, felt hat with a huge, Swarovski rhinestone-bordered bow that became an Internet sensation and even had its own website.

Franklin endured the exhausting grind of celebrity and personal troubles dating back to childhood. She was married from 1961 to 1969 to her manager, Ted White, and their battles are widely believed to have inspired her performances on several songs, including "Sweet Sweet Baby" Since You've Been Gone," "Think" and her heartbreaking ballad of despair, "Ain't No Way." The mother of two sons by age 16 (she later had two more), she was often in turmoil as she struggled with her weight, family problems and financial predicaments. Her best known producer, Jerry Wexler, nicknamed her "Our Lady of Mysterious Sorrows."

Despite growing up in Detroit, and having Smokey Robinson as a childhood friend, Franklin recorded for Columbia and Arista around her prime years with Atlantic Records. But it was at Detroit's New Bethel Baptist Church, where her father was pastor, that Franklin learned the gospel fundamentals that would make her a soul institution.

Aretha Louise Franklin was born March 25, 1942, in Memphis, Tennessee. The Rev. C.L. Franklin soon moved his family to Buffalo, New York, then to Detroit. C.L. Franklin was among the most prominent Baptist ministers of his time. Music was the family business and performers from Sam Cooke to Lou Rawls were guests at the Franklin house. In the living room, young Aretha owed Robinson and other friends with her playing on the grand piano.

Of Franklin's dozens of hits, none was linked more firmly to her than the funky, horn-led march "Respect" and its spelled-out demand for "R-E-S-P-E-C-T."

Writing in Rolling Stone magazine in 2004, Wexler said: "It was an appeal for dignity combined with a blatant lubricity. There are songs that are a call to action. There are love songs. There are sex songs. But it's hard to think of another song where all those elements are combined."

Franklin had decided she wanted to "unhitch" the R&B song written by Otis Redding, whose version had been a modest hit in 1965.

"When she walked into the studio, it was already worked out in her head," the producer wrote. "Otis came up to my office right before 'Respect' was released, and I played him the tape. He said, 'She done took my song.' He said it benignly and respectfully. He knew the identity of the song was slipping away from him to her."

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New ways to keep NFL players cool in camp

By Teresa M. Walker
Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Tennessee Titans running back Dion Lewis has been so focused on football with his new team that he didn't realize until a few days into training camp just how special the benches on each sideline really are.

Now he takes a couple of minutes whenever possible during practice to sit and cool off.

Literally. "It's great," said Lewis, who spent the past three years with New England. "It's real hot ... so whenever you use anything to make you cool down a little bit, I think it's a great tool. It's been here for the whole time, but I just realized it like probably last week. So

definitely take advantage of that whenever I get a chance."

Keeping football players cool during the sweltering days of training camp is critical, especially in the wake of the heat-related death of Minnesota offensive tackle Korey Stringer in August 2001 and the June death of Maryland offensive lineman Jordan McNair. An attorney for the McNair family says a preliminary death certificate indicates the cause of death was heatstroke.

Old-fashioned tubs filled with water and bags of ice await NFL players, even for teams staying at their headquarters this time of year. A few minutes provides a quick, but very wet, recovery once practice is over.

The Titans and New Orleans Saints both decided to give players a chance to cool off during practice, improving

both safety and the workouts.

With a new coach in Mike Vrabel, the Titans put a bench on each side of their three practice fields, giving players a chance to recover when the temperature during morning practices can feel like 90 degrees.

"I don't think our players have done a good enough job of taking advantage of it, but, we're trying it out," Vrabel said.

"Going to Miami and Jacksonville in the early games here, if there's anything we can do to keep our guys as fresh as possible on the sideline, we're going to try."

In hot and humid Jacksonville, the Jaguars have had such cooling benches for years in the shade and near huge

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Mark Humphrey/AP

Tennessee Titans running backs Dion Lewis (33) and Derrick Henry (22) rest on a cooling bench on Wednesday during training camp in Nashville, Tenn.

THE BIG 12 BECKONS



Eric Christian Smith/AP

Texas linebacker Breckyn Hager gestures to the crowd on Dec. 27, 2017, before a third-down play during the second half of the Texas Bowl against Missouri in Houston.

Texas looking for more in Year 2 of Herman's rebuild

By Jim Vertuno
Associated Press

AUSTIN — The frustration at Texas is visible in — of all places — the flowing golden curls of senior defensive end Breckyn Hager.

Hager was a freshman when he vowed he wouldn't cut his hair until Texas won the Big 12 Conference. His hair now stretches down to his sternum.

Yep, it's been that long — much longer, really — since Texas mattered in the Big 12.

"I wanted something tangible that could always remind me to go after such a simple goal," Hager said. "And now I'm realizing, wait, it's not that simple."

Coach Tom Herman is facing higher expectations in his second year at Texas. His first season got the Longhorns back on the winning side of the ledger as Texas went 7-6 and got its first bowl win since 2012.

"It was a promising feeling," said senior wide receiver Jerrod Heard. "Winning the Texas Bowl was a huge step ... Winning, finishing the season out with a win, what a good feeling that was."

Now it's time to see if Texas can be a Big 12 contender again. The Longhorns have been full of promise before, with big-time recruiting classes and recommitment and refocused veterans full of "buy in" for the storied program. Yet Texas has been the Big 12's biggest disappointment for a decade now.

Herman must navigate those expectations with a team that lost a ton of NFL-caliber defensive talent, is still shaky on offense and faces a front-loaded schedule. Four of the first six opponents beat the Longhorns last season. Texas opens the 2018 season at Maryland on Sept. 2.

"We had a tremendous amount of growth last season," Herman said. "I think that anybody that has watched us play, anybody that's been around our program, understands that we're playing harder, we're playing more physical, we're playing more cohesive than our program has in quite some time."

Hager, meanwhile, would like to end all

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Intentional plunkings come under fire after Urena hits Acuna

By Jake Seiner
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Aaron Judge saw Jose Urena's plunking of Ronald Acuna Jr. before the Yankees played a day game Thursday, and he felt Acuna's pain. The reigning AL home run leader knows that with so many big flies comes a risk that some disgruntled pitcher may try burying a fastball in your ribs.

"Oh yeah, it's happened before," New York's star slugger said.

Throwing at a batter for hitting home runs? That's what many think Urena did, including Mets broadcaster and former big league first baseman Keith Hernandez, who defended Urena's plunking of Atlanta's breakout rookie. Mostly, though, players and coaches around the game seem to want nothing to do with this murky unwritten rule.



Urena

The Miami right-hander sparked a benches-clearing fracas in Atlanta when he drilled Acuna in the elbow with the first pitch of a game Wednesday. Acuna had homered leading off three consecutive games and gone deep four times in the first three games of the series against the Marlins.

Acuna had a CT scan that revealed his elbow was normal, and X-rays also were negative. He was back in Atlanta's lineup Thursday night against Colorado.

Urena claimed he was just pitching Acuna inside and missed his spot with a "bad pitch." He was suspended six games and fined an undisclosed amount on Thursday.

The Braves — as well as the game's umpires — believed the plunking was intentional. Braves All-Star Freddie Freeman said it "was just completely classless on Jose Urena's part," and manager Brian Snitker was near the front of a line of Atlanta players charging out of the dugout toward the mound.

"I'm not sure I've ever felt like that in a baseball uniform," Snitker said.

At least one prominent baseball voice thought Urena would be right to intentionally drill Acuna, though. Hernandez, the 1979 NL co-MVP, said during the Mets broadcast Wednesday night that in this case, "you got to hit him."

"They're killing you," Hernandez said. "You lost three games. He's hit three home runs. You got to hit him. I'm sorry, people aren't going to like that. You

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Oklahoma coach Riley ready to build on success in 2nd year

By Cliff Brunt
Associated Press

NORMAN, Okla. — A year ago, new Oklahoma coach Lincoln Riley was scrambling to find his way after Bob Stoops' abrupt retirement put him in command just two months before fall camp.

The 34-year-old offensive mastermind now has a season under his belt and the kind of pay increase that often comes with a job well done. He led Oklahoma to a No. 3 final ranking and cashed in with a new five-year, \$25 million contract.

There are plenty of reasons to believe Oklahoma's investment will pay off. Riley's No. 1-ranked offense from last year returns two of its top three receivers, the top two running backs and three starting linemen. Though Riley has to replace Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback Baker Mayfield, his expectations haven't changed. He believes either Kyler Murray or Austin Kendall can step in and lead the Sooners back to the College Football Playoff.

"We did lose an outstanding individual player, no question about that," Riley said of Mayfield, "but we also had a lot of players around him that helped make him that player, too, and a lot of

those guys are still here."

Oklahoma lost All-America left tackle Orlando Brown and Mackey Award-winning tight end Mark Andrews, who both now play for the Baltimore Ravens, but the Sooners are strong in both spots as they pursue a fourth consecutive Big 12 title.

On the defensive side, the Sooners have to replace Ogbornia Okoronkwo, the Big 12 Defensive Player of the Year. Linebacker Kenneth Murray is the top returnee after finishing second on the team with 78 tackles last season. Caleb Kelly, another linebacker, had 56 tackles last year. Cornerbacks Parnell Motley and Tre Norwood are the top returnees in the secondary.

It's rare that a cornerback gets so much hype in Big 12 country, but freshman Brendan Radley-Hiles is the preseason Big 12 Newcomer of the Year and one of the most highly sought after recruits in the nation. He'll help a secondary that has been assigned blame for many of Oklahoma's issues in big games in recent years.

QB competition

Riley isn't saying who will replace Mayfield

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Oklahoma head coach Lincoln Riley talks to his players on Thursday during practice in Norman, Okla.

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ROCKHOUNDS 5, NATURALS 2
At Security Bank Ballpark
TOP HITTERS: Midland's Luis Barrera reached base safely four times by going 3-for-3 with an RBI, a walk and a run scored, while teammate Skye Bolt was 3-for-4 with an RBI. ... **Naturals catcher** Xavier Fernandez was 3-for-3 with a walk and a run scored.
TOP PITCHERS: In a spot start, Midland's Sam Bragg hurled four scoreless innings, allowing six hits and two walks. ... Nolan Blackwood notched the win for the RockHounds after tossing two shutout innings of one-hit ball with three strikeouts. ... Midland's Kyle Finnegan struck out two in the ninth to record his ninth save.

HIGHLIGHTS: Midland took a 1-0 lead in the bottom of the fourth when Barrera drew a bases-loaded walk to score Seth Brown. ... Bolt provided a two-run single in the fifth, extending the RockHounds' advantage to 3-0. ... Midland went ahead 5-0 in the fifth following an RBI single from Brett Vertigan and a sacrifice fly by Tyler Ramirez. ... The Naturals threatened in the ninth by scoring two runs on a throwing error by Vertigan before Finnegan struck out Kelvin Gutierrez to end the game.

NOTES: The RockHounds wore Midland Angels throw-back uniforms to commemorate the franchise's time when they were affiliated with the Angels organization from 1985-1998. The RockHounds will wear the uniforms until Sunday's finale of the home-stand. ... The RockHounds look two out of three from Northwest Arkansas. Midland won the season series, 7-5. ... The RockHounds host Arkansas in a three-game series

TI Standings

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas (Dodgers)	26	22	.540	—
Arkansas (Mariners)	27	24	.529	1 1/2
Northwest Arkansas (Pirates)	27	27	.500	4 1/2
Springfield (Cardinals)	21	31	.404	8

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Corpus Christi (Astros)	32	20	.615	—
Frisco (Rangers)	28	24	.538	4
San Antonio (Phillies)	25	25	.500	6
Midland (Athletics)	20	32	.385	12

Thursday's Scores
 Midland 5, Northwest Arkansas 2
 Arkansas 7, Frisco 5
 Corpus Christi at Tulsa, cancelled
 San Antonio at Springfield, cancelled

Today's Games
 San Antonio at Tulsa, Game 1, 5 p.m.
 San Antonio at Tulsa, Game 2, 7:05 p.m.
 Northwest Arkansas at Frisco, 7:05 p.m.
 Corpus Christi at Springfield, 7:10 p.m.

beginning at 7 p.m. today.

TODAY'S PROBABLES:

Arkansas — RHP Nathan Baranister (7-9, 6.19 ERA); Midland — TBA.

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Los Angeles Angels first baseman Albert Pujols (5) puts out Texas Rangers' Rougned Odor (12), who bunted on Thursday during the first inning in Arlington.

Profar starts triple play and homers, Rangers rally past Angels

Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Jurickson Profar started an especially rare triple play and homered to help the Texas Rangers rally from an early five-run deficit for an 8-6 victory over the Los Angeles Angels on Thursday night.

Rougned Odor singled home the a-ahead run in the eighth after an out call that would have ended the inning was reversed. Nomar Mazara went deep in his return from the disabled list, and Joey Gallo also homered for the Rangers. Texas turned the sixth

triple play in franchise history in the fourth. With the bases loaded, David Fletcher hit a low liner toward third base that Profar picked on a short hop. Playing near the bag, Profar stepped on third to force out Eric Young Jr. and then tagged Taylor Ward, who had stumbled off the base into foul territory. Profar then threw to Odor, and the second baseman tagged Kole Calhoun between first and second.

It was the majors' first triple play without retiring the batter since June 3, 1912, when the Brooklyn Dodgers turned the trick

against the Cincinnati Reds.

The Rangers scored three runs in the eighth as Justin Anderson (3-3), the seventh of eight Angels pitcher in a "bullpen game," allowed the first four batters to reach base.

Odor, batting with the bases loaded, hit a comebacker that reliever Osmar Morales deflected with his glove toward second base. Angels shortstop Andrelton Simmons threw to first and Odor was called out by umpire C.B. Bucknor, but the call was overturned following a replay review. Texas added another run on a wild pitch by Morales.

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MLB ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

YANKEES 1

NEW YORK — Tampa Bay rookie left-hander Adam Kolarek escaped a critical jam in the ninth inning Thursday for his first career save, lifting the Rays over New York 3-1 to win their first series at Yankee Stadium since 2014. Tampa Bay had lost 12 straight series in the Bronx, a record since the ballpark opened in 2009.

Kolarek got his moment in the Bronx spotlight after Sergio Romo struggled in the ninth. Romo allowed consecutive singles to Dick Gregor and Gleyber Torres — Torres' bloop ended his 0-for-17 skid — then walked Neil Walker on four pitches.

Cash then called for the side-arming Kolarek. Lefty-hitting Greg Bird popped out in foul territory on his first pitch, and then the 29-year-old Kolarek — who entered with a 6.00 ERA — struck out veteran Brett Gardner and Austin Romine. Romine chased a high fastball clocked at 95 mph.

It was the first time Kolarek had faced bases loaded with no outs in his big league career. He escaped in nine pitches. The struggling Yankees lineup, still without injured sluggers Aaron Judge and Gary Sanchez, scored just six runs during the three-game series.

Tommy Pham returned from the disabled list and helped the Rays jump on Masahiro Tanaka (5-3) with an RBI double during a two-run first inning, and Blake Snell (14-5) and the bullpen took over from there.

The left-handed All-Star made his third start since a DL stint for left shoulder fatigue and struck out six over five innings of two-hit ball. He was coming off five perfect innings against Toronto, though he was pulled from that start after just 47 pitches. He threw 76 pitches Thursday.

The Rays got to Tanaka with four straight hits to open the game. Mallett Smith lined a single the other way, stole second, then scored on Joey Votto's double to the right-center gap. After Jake Bauers' single, Pham got his first hit with the Rays, driving a double off the wall in the left-field corner.

National League

METS 24 PHILLIES 4

PHILADELPHIA — The New York Mets didn't care who was on the mound. They kept swinging and scoring.

Jose Bautista hit a grand slam and had a career-high seven RBIs and the Mets set a franchise record for runs, forcing the Phillies to use two position players for the first three innings of a 24-4 victory in the first game of a doubleheader Thursday.

Corey Oswalt (2-2) allowed four solo homers in six innings. Amed Rosario hit a leadoff homer and had three RBIs and the Mets took advantage of four errors to score 11 unearned runs.

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first run with a home run in the second inning, his ninth of the season.

After an eight-pitch perfect first inning, Teheran got in trouble in the second. He allowed a single to Nolan Arenado and a walk to Story to start the frame. Arenado scored on a sacrifice fly by Ian Desmond for the game's first run.

PHILLIES 9 METS 6
2ND GAME
 PHILADELPHIA — Rhye Hoskins hit a three-run homer. Scott Kingery had a solo shot and the Philadelphia Phillies beat the New York Mets 9-6 on Thursday night to split their doubleheader.

In the first game, Jose Bautista hit a grand slam and had a career-high seven RBIs as the Mets set a franchise record for runs, prompting the Phillies to use two position players to pitch the final three innings of a 24-4 rout.

The Mets kept on hitting in the nightcap with three straight doubles on Zach Eflin's first four pitches. Michael Conforto's two-run double made it 2-0.

But then Hoskins crushed one high off the foul pole to give the Phillies a 3-2 lead in the bottom half against Steven Matz (5-10), just activated from the disabled list. Hoskins, who went deep in both ends of the twinning, hit 11 of his 25 homers since the All-Star break — and three in the last four games.

The Phillies added three runs in the second. Kingery homered, Wilson Ramos had an RBI single and Cesar Hernandez swiped home on a double steal.

Eflin (9-4) gave up four runs and seven hits in 6 2/3 innings. Santhiago Dominguez got the last two outs.

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PLUNKING

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know, you got to hit him, knock him down."

Hernandez's words weren't well received by the Braves. Reliever Peter Moylan tweeted that Hernandez was a "clown," and Hall of Famer Chipper Jones tweeted that the comments were "wasteful of base."

"So by this way of thinking, Jacob deGrom should get drilled cuz he's the hottest pitcher on the planet? NO!" Jones wrote.

Players and coaches around the majors were asked about intentional plunkings Thursday, and it's clear that Hernandez's opinion falls among the minority.

Yankees manager Aaron Boone said Urena's pitch "seemed pretty blatant to

me."

"It had a bad look to it," he said.

Rays veteran Kevin Kiermaier thinks plunkings have a time and a place. He recalled being a rookie when Tampa Bay unintentionally hit Yankees star Derek Jeter twice in the same game. Kiermaier was the first batter up for Tampa Bay the next inning.

"I knew I was going to get thrown at," Kiermaier said. "Guy ended up missing. I had no problem with it. He got thrown out, whatever."

But Kiermaier also suspects at least one pitcher has thrown at him intentionally because the speedy center fielder tried to bust for a hit in the first inning of a game, and that experience infuriated him.

NASCAR driver Kasey Kahne announces retirement from full-time racing

By Brendan Marks
The Charlotte Observer

There goes another one. In recent seasons, NASCAR has dealt with the departure of numerous star drivers, everyone from Jeff Gordon to Danica Patrick and Dale Earnhardt Jr.

Thursday, another long-time favorite announced he would be joining them.

Kasey Kahne, who has competed full-time in the Cup Series since 2004, released a statement confirming his decision.

"I've thought about this decision for many months, if not longer," Kahne said in his statement. "It's time for me to step away from racing in NASCAR full-time. I appreciate everything LFR (Leavein Family Racing) has done for me this season and offering me the opportunity to race in 2019."

Kahne joined LFR this offseason after leaving Hendrick Motorsports, where he was a longtime teammate of Earnhardt, Gordon, and Jimmie Johnson. His career-best finish came in 2012, when



Jeff Siner/Charlotte Observer/TNS

NASCAR driver Kasey Kahne climbs into his car for a practice session ahead of the Daytona 500 on February 25, 2017, at Daytona International Speedway in Daytona Beach, Fla.

he finished fourth overall in the points standings his first season with Hendrick. He has 18 Cup Series victories in his career, with the most recent one coming last season at Indianapolis.

Kahne said in his statement that the lengthy NASCAR schedule has taken its toll on him, and that he would like to spend more time with his son, Tanner.

"The highs didn't outweigh the lows and the grueling schedule takes a toll on your quality of life," Kahne said. "I need to spend more time doing the things I enjoy and love and that's spending time with Tanner and my sprint car teams."

Kahne is 28th in the points standings, and his best finish this year was fourth at Daytona in July.

Davis Cup overhauled for 2019 with season-ending team event

By Brian Mahoney
Associated Press

The Davis Cup is getting a radical makeover in hopes of reviving an event that has lost some luster.

Beginning next year, the top team event in men's tennis will be decided with a season-ending, 18-team tournament at a neutral site.

The International Tennis Federation believes this format will be more attractive to elite players who often pass on competing for their countries because of a crowded schedule.

Teams will play one week in February to advance to the championship in November, replacing the current Davis Cup format that is played over four weekends throughout the year.

Players will compete for what the ITF says rivals Grand Slam prize money.

The \$3 billion, 25-year agreement was approved Thursday at the organization's conference in Orlando, Florida.

Two-thirds of the delegates needed to vote for the reforms, and 71 percent did.

Beginning in 2019, 24 nations will compete in a home-or-away qualifying round in February, with the 12 winners advancing to the final tournament.

They will be joined by the four semifinalists from the previous year, along with two wild-card teams, who need to be in either

the top 50 of the Davis Cup rankings or have a top-10 singles player to be eligible.

The finalists will be placed into six, three-team groups for round-robin play, involving two singles matches and one doubles, all best-of-three-sets — instead of the current best-of-five format featuring four singles matches and one doubles. The winners, along with the next two teams with the best records, will advance to the single-elimination quarterfinals.

The first championship will be held on an indoor hardcourt from Nov. 18-24, 2019, in either Madrid or Lille, France.

ITF President David Haggerty said he expected that announcement in the next two weeks.

The new event was developed in partnership with the investment group Kosmos, which was founded by Barcelona and Spain soccer player Gerard Pique.

The original plan called for simply an 18-team championship at the end of the year, but was amended after some nations objected to the loss of home-site matches. So those were added to the proposal as the qualifying round, though that still wasn't enough for critics of the plan who felt neutral-site matches were too much of a change for an event that dates to 1900.

"Those that were opposed were generally opposed because they may

believe that home-and-away should be the way that the format is played and always should be every round," Haggerty said, adding he believed the February qualifying round "gives us the combination of history and tradition that we maintain as well as innovation with the finals."

The U.S. Tennis Association was among the national federations that backed the changes.

The organization said the new format will "project Davis Cup into the 21st century" and elevate the competition to "the heights it deserves."

The Americans will play at Croatia in this year's semifinals in September, with Spain and France meeting in the other semifinals.

Top-ranked Rafael Nadal is expected to play for Spain, but Roger Federer has frequently passed on playing for Switzerland.

The new format would cut in half the Davis Cup time commitment.

Pique is among those who think the World Cup-style format is the boost the event needs.

"This is the beginning of a new stage that guarantees the pre-eminent and legitimate place that the Davis Cup should have as a competition for national teams while adapting to the demands of this professional sport at the highest level," he said in a statement.

TEXAS

From IC

the upkeep it takes for his epic curls.

"I hate it," he said. "Do you know how many tears have soaked into this after losses? ... I'm ready to get this off."

Texas Quarterbacks

Another season means yet another quarterback question. Sophomore Sam Ehlinger was raw as a freshman, erratic as a thrower and prone to costly late turnovers that figured big in three losses. He's also a bruising runner who led the Longhorns in rushing, but also missed a game with a concussion. Junior Shane Buechele, the starter in 2016, would probably benefit the most if Texas improves a poor running game because the offense would rely less on Ehlinger to run for first downs. Buechele's toughest job is convincing Herman he's the "alpha male" the coach craves at the position.

Play-calling

Texas' lackluster offense has Herman facing regular questions on why he doesn't take over play calling from offensive coordinator Tim Beck. Herman was a national championship winning-coordinator at Ohio State but he's been reluctant to call plays as a head coach at Texas. If he has to do it, it will likely mean Texas' season has gone south and fans will wonder why he waited.

Schedule

Texas has no time to ease into its schedule. The first month includes the opener at Maryland and a Sept. 15 home matchup with Southern California. Then comes TCU, which has won five of the last six games against Texas before a trip to Kansas State, where the Longhorns haven't won since 2002. And up next? Big 12 favorite Oklahoma. A 3-3 start and another 7-6

finish are a real possibility.

Defense

The Longhorns defense was among the Big 12's best last season and kept Texas in every game. It also surrendered fourth-quarter leads in four losses. The Longhorns must replace a bunch of departed talent at nearly every position. Pass rush should be a strength with Hager and Charles Omenihu on the edges. Nose tackle Chris Nelson should be a disruptive force in the middle.

Rubik's cube

A woeful offensive line has been the biggest problem for Texas for several seasons and Herman has his work cut out trying to solve this puzzle again. Tackle and coveted Rice graduate transfer Calvin Anderson once solved a Rubik's Cube behind his back and he'll be performing similar wizardry if he can shore up the line to protect the Texas quarterback this season.

Cool

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fans to use during breaks.

The New Orleans Saints have used a cooling tent for years, even when holding training camp at Millsaps College in Jackson, Mississippi. With the tent kept off to the side of the football fields, it wound up too far away for the Saints to slip over during practices.

This August, an 18-wheeler dropped off what looks like a massive storage trailer. Inside, it's actually a chilly 25 degrees featuring dim lighting and black padded folding chairs.

The Saints can walk in for a quick refresher or sit down to drop the body temperature. If needed, coach Sean Payton can put a whole position group inside at once, especially effective for big men such as offensive or defensive linemen.

"As bodies go in there, it goes to 28," Payton said. "But it's almost three times colder than a tent."

Payton said colleges such

as LSU and Alabama are among those already using the cooling trailer. Being in muggy Louisiana, the Saints didn't have to go far to find a company that could help them out.

Payton said when the temperatures soar, teams can't cool players down enough. The trailer allows New Orleans to keep the Saints refreshed enough to practice, not just survive until the final horn signals a blissful end.

"You want to not just be running plays, and then you also have an answer if someone is going through a second-level heat illness or God forbid something more serious," Payton said.

"But, the first thing we want to be able to do is cool the core temperatures down. We've always taken a lot of breaks, so we've handled the heat well. We've had to. But if you went back to Millsaps even, we had a cool tent. This is just much colder."

The Tampa Bay Buc-

caners don't use cooling benches. For the first time, they are making good use of an indoor practice facility — complete with air conditioning — that was completed earlier this year.

Despite playing in Florida, the Buccaneers had never had an indoor practice field before now, and coach Dirk Koetter has used it liberally.

He's started several practices outdoors before going inside where the Bucs even installed bleachers for fans attending open sessions. Koetter also keeps the Bucs inside for walkthroughs to avoid the heat.

Just standing near the cooling bench is comfortable enough to watch an entire practice without even needing to sit on the chilled aluminum seats. Titans running back Derrick Henry tested the cooling bench last weekend and liked what he found. A big man at 6-foot-3, Henry says he won't use it too much to avoid stiffening up.



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OKLAHOMA

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as the starter, but he likes his options. Murray was selected in the first round of the Major League Baseball draft but chose to return to school. The speedster completed 18 of 21 passes for 359 yards with three touchdowns and no interceptions last season as Mayfield's backup. He also ran 14 times for 142 yards, including a 66-yard burst on the first play against West Virginia. Kendall completed 16 of 22 passes for 143 yards as a freshman before redshirting last year.

Rodney's reset

Running back Rodney Anderson suffered a season-ending knee injury two games into the 2015 season and a season-ending neck injury in fall camp in 2016. He didn't even start until mid-season last year, but he finished with 1,442 yards and 18 touchdowns from scrimmage. In his best game, he had 290 yards and four touchdowns from scrimmage in a regular-

season win over TCU. In his final eight games last season, he had 1,333 yards and 16 touchdowns from scrimmage. At 6-foot-1 and 220 pounds, he is a powerhouse with breakaway speed and good enough hands to have grabbed five touchdown receptions last season. He's a potential Heisman candidate if he gets off to a fast start.

Receiving threats

Oklahoma's receivers were a question mark heading into last season, but they are a strength heading into this one. The main weapons are Marquise Brown, Cedee Lamb and tight end Grant Calcaterra. Brown had 57 catches for a team-leading 1,095 yards last season. Lamb had 46 grabs for 807 yards and Calcaterra had 10 grabs for 162 yards.

What next?

Despite his critics, Mike Stoops remains the defensive coordinator. The Sooners have had notable defensive collapses the past

several years. Oklahoma improved on that side last season, yet fan disappointment reached a boiling point after the 54-48 loss to Georgia in last season's College Football Playoff. The criticism will increase if the offense continues to dominate and the defense doesn't close the gap.

Schedule

The Sooners don't have an Ohio State-type team on the schedule like they did the past two years, but there are several early tests. They open at home with Florida Atlantic, which went 11-3 last season under coach Lane Kiffin. They follow that with a home game against UCLA before traveling to Iowa State, which upset the Sooners in Norman last season. The Sooners close the non-conference slate with a home game against Army. There are road games against TCU and West Virginia, but the Sooners host the annual Bedlam game against Oklahoma State and are favored to win another league title.

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Woman's old sweetheart still can't win her dad's approval

DEAR ABBY: I'm dating my grammar school and high school sweetheart, "Gary." We've known each other since I was 6. (I'm 33 now.) In high school we dated for nine months and were in love, but he told lies to my dad, so Dad ordered him to stay away. Now, 16 years later, after being only friends all this time, we finally both became single and got back together. Gary is and always has been the love of my life, as I am his. He would do anything for me. He says he plays to marry me and have kids, and he's never said that to any other woman. Since we broke up at 16, Gary has done some bad things (drugs, prison). Because of it, my dad hates him. Dad was finally getting used to Gary being back in my life until a few months ago, when Gary crashed my car after relapsing. Gary is getting me a new car and trying to get my dad to like him, but Dad is stubborn. I

DEAR ABBY

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



know he's just worried about me.

I want to bring Gary to my parents' to visit because enough time has gone by since the accident. Is there any way to get my dad used to him? — TORN IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR TORN: I think the chances of your father "getting used" to his beloved daughter being married to a convicted felon and drug user who can't quite kick the habit are somewhere between a snowflake and hell. Gary may have been the love of your life since childhood, but if you plan to marry him, it's important you get a glimpse of what you may be in for.

There are self-help groups for the friends

and family of addicts. Join one of them. (Visit Nar-Anon.org to find the nearest meeting.) If you do, you will meet other individuals who are involved with people who have a drug addiction and learn about the challenges that will face both of you.

DEAR ABBY: A longtime friend of mine, "Jenny," and I reunited after years of not speaking. Our pregnancies brought us back together, and since the births of our children we have had playdates, shared baby stories, advice, etc.

My problem is, Jenny tries to pass down stained, out-of-season clothes from her child to mine. (She gets free handouts from organiza-

tions that help moms and families who aren't financially well off.) She and her child's father drive brand-new cars with hefty car payments, and they are paying a big mortgage — all the while collecting assistance.

It bothers me because, while we struggle, my family doesn't use assistance. We feel it should be used only for those who really need it. Am I silly for letting something like this get to me? I find myself making excuses to cancel playdates and avoid her. — MAKING MY OWN WAY IN VIRGINIA

DEAR MAKING: Your problem isn't the baby clothes. It's that you disapprove of Jenny's values. While you have some things in common, you also have major differences. Among them, your choice to work for what you get and her willingness to game the system. That's a big difference, and you're not being silly.

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♠ AQ62
♥ 53
♦ 9
♣ A109765

The bidding: SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST
1♠ 2♦ 3♦ 3♠
Pass 4♦ 5♦ All pass
Pre-emptive

Opening lead: King of ♣

Today's deal features one of the world's best pairs. East and West, respectively, were Chip Mangel and Lew Stansby, from the San Francisco area. They are former World Open Pairs champions.

Mangel's pre-emptive bid was about a king heavier than normal. With an opening bid on his left and a two-level response on his right, he knew that his

partner had limited high-card points. Mangel's bid had ramifications in the play.

Stansby continued with a second heart at trick two, ruffed in dummy. Declarer led dummy's king of diamonds to Stansby's ace and Stansby continued with another diamond. South shed a spade as dummy won the queen. Declarer now cashed dummy's jack of diamonds and discarded another spade. The king of clubs came next, as Stansby smoothly followed with the jack!

Declarer was at the crossroads. Should the trumps split 2-2, he could just draw the outstanding trumps with dummy's queen and discard his queen of spades on a diamond. He could also take the spade finesse, but West rated to have the king after East's pre-emptive bid. Should the jack of clubs be an honest card, he could simply continue with a good diamond. He could overruff East and return to dummy with the queen of clubs, drawing the last trump, and discard his spade on a diamond.

He chose to lead another diamond. Mangel was careful not to ruff the diamond or it would have exposed the position. South confidently discarded his queen of spades and was pained when Stansby ruffed this for the setting trick. Nice defense!

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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF DORRIS KOVALICK, DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that on August 14, 2018 Letters Testamentary were issued to Gae Elaine Kovalick as Independent Personal Representative in proceedings in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, in Probate, styled "In the Matter of the Estate of Dorris Kovalick, Deceased," being No. P19504 in that Court, and which proceedings are still pending. All persons having claims against the Estate are hereby required to present the same to Gae Elaine Kovalick, c/o A.M. Nunley III, P.O. Box 511, Midland, TX 79702, within the time prescribed by law.

DATED August 14, 2018.

Gae Elaine Kovalick,
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The address of record for MATTHEW D. BUCKINGHAM is 1807 Ventura Ave., Midland, Midland County, Texas 79705.

All persons having claims against this Estate are required to present their claims within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 16th day of August, 2018.

Respectfully Submitted,

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ATTORNEY FOR THE ESTATE OF MARILYN IRVING

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of James Alan Sparks, Deceased, were issued on August 14, 2018, in Cause No. P19528, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to: Tamara Orsith Sparks.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o: Tamara Orsith Sparks
1891 Starofield
Midland, Texas 79705

DATED the 16th day of August, 2018.

/s/ Austin L. Ramsey

Austin L. Ramsey

Attorney for Tamara Orsith Sparks

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Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Andrew Ralph Boyd, Deceased, were issued on August 14, 2018, in Cause No. P19498, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to: Michael Boyd.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o: Brent A. Morgan
Attorney at Law
415 W. Wall, Suite 1412
Midland, Texas 79701

DATED the 16th day of August, 2018.

Brent A. Morgan
Attorney for Michael Boyd
State Bar No.: 24051084
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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Mary Sue F. Agnes, Deceased, were issued on August 14, 2018, in Cause No. P-19491, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to Aaron G. Purcell, Jr., Independent Executor, whose address is 2369 Farley Terrace, Birmingham, Alabama 35226.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law, in care of the Executor.

DATED the 15th day of August, 2018.

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By: Cory R. McDowell
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Whitney S. Ellis
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ATTORNEYS FOR INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Pedro Loreda Arredondo, Deceased, were issued on August 14, 2018, in Cause No. P19492, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to: Pauline Loreda.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o: Brent A. Morgan
Attorney at Law
415 W. Wall, Suite 1412
Midland, Texas 79701

DATED the 16th day of August, 2018.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF WOOD STEELE ESKINE, DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that on August 14, 2018 Letters Testamentary were issued to Leon Geddis Syerley III as Independent Executor in proceedings in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, in Probate, styled "In the Matter of the Estate of Wood Steele Eskine, Deceased," being No. P. 19476 in that Court, and which proceedings are still pending. All persons having claims against the Estate are hereby required to present the same to Leon Geddis Syerley III, c/o A.M. Nunley III, P.O. Box 511, Midland, TX 79702, within the time prescribed by law.

DATED August 14, 2018.

Leon Geddis Syerley III,
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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Starla Lou McMillin, Decedent, were issued on August 7, 2018, in Cause No. P19489, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to: Dudley Brian McMillin.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Attorney at Law
300 N. Marlenfeld Suite 700
MIDLAND, TX 79701

DATED the 7th day of August, 2018

by MADISON M. ROSE
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Attorney for Independent Executor
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The Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Midland, Texas, will hold a public hearing at 3:30 P.M. on Tuesday, September 4, 2018, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 300 North Lorraine, on a request by Maverick Engineering for approval of a Residential Replat on:

Lot 27, Block 3, Country Sky Addition, Section 13, City and County of Midland, Texas.

Generally located approximately 362-feet south of the intersection of Cactus Trail and Roadrunner Trail, Council District 4

The meeting facility is accessible to disabled persons. A wheelchair entry ramp is located at the southeast entrance to City Hall. A parking space designated for use by disabled persons is available near the southeast entrance doors. Any disabled person needing special accommodations or hearing impaired persons wishing to have an interpreter should request services through the Administrative Services Department at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting by contacting Compliance Coordinator for the City of Midland, at (432) 685-7251. If communication via TDD is required, please call 1-800-735-2989.

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