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MPD chief: Sign collection incident 'isolated'

Robinson says department is 'committed to respecting the individual rights and human dignity'

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Midland Police Department's top official called the suspension of two officers for competing to collect panhandlers' signs an isolated incident and violation of public trust.

Internal Affairs documents obtained by the Reporter-Telegram show MPD officers Derek Hester and Daniel Zoelzer were in violation of the department's general orders after another officer filed a complaint Nov. 18.

Zoelzer confiscated signs from panhandlers at Wal-Mart and the intersection of Highway 191 and Loop 250 because motorists were slowing down to read the signs. He admitted to keeping count of panhandler signs with Hester, according to the documents.

The officers also were found to have confiscated other items, such as knives, brass knuckles and drug scales without properly logging them into evidence.

In a prepared statement released Thursday afternoon, MPD Chief Price Robinson said the police department does not condone the officers' behavior.

"Our actions and relationships are guided by an internal sense of honesty and morality, and we are committed to respecting the individual rights and human dignity of all members of the community," Robinson said. "All of our patrol officers were addressed by their supervisors after this incident to reiterate the importance of these core values, as well as proper protocol for property and evidence handling."

Midland Mayor Jerry Morales said Thursday he was still trying

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A local civil rights group spoke out Thursday after learning two Midland police officers confiscated panhandlers' signs for a competition.

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ADDRESSING THE IMPACT

MRT file photo

Gravel sits along Farm-to-Market Road 307 as preparations are made to resurface areas of the road in 2013.

TxDOT: Infrastructure must suit oilfield traffic

By Mella McEwen
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John Barton, deputy executive director and chief engineer with the Texas Department of Transportation, asked his audience to keep three numbers in mind as he addressed the Permian Basin Petroleum Association on Thursday.

The first number: 3,371 — the number of Texans who died in automobile accidents in 2013.

The second number: 306 — the number of Texans who have already died in accidents so far this year.

The third number: One. "That represents you," he said.

It is TxDOT's job to ensure the state's transportation infrastructure is safe and traffic laws are enforced so that no more Texans become an auto fatality statistic, Barton said.

"Each life is too precious to become a number," he said.

Texas has been blessed by the success of the oil and gas industry, which has contributed billions in economic growth and created thousands of jobs, and Barton said it's vital his agency do all it can to support that growth. While he applauded the technology, innovation and creativity of the industry in extracting new reserves of crude and natural gas, that technology has also resulted in significant traffic growth, especially in areas not designed to support that level of traffic.

He estimated that it takes the equivalent of 8 million vehicles to hydraulically fracture one well. The roads 18 feet wide that were designed to handle 1940s farm trucks are not designed to handle heavy trucks carrying fracturing tanks. Not only does that create traffic congestion and increased risk of accidents but what he called a persistent pavement

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9-year-old boy dies in Midland County crash

■ Officials: Bicyclist runs stop sign, becomes seventh to die on roads inside the county

By Cale Ottens
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In the wake of a 9-year-old Odessa boy who was struck and killed Wednesday night while riding his bicycle in Midland County, experts are encouraging other bicyclists to take more safety precautions while riding.

A 29-year-old Odessa man was driving a pickup with a towed unit east on West County Road 122 approaching the road's intersection with South County Road 1311, according to the Department of Public Safety.

Samuel Rogelio Carrasco was riding northbound when the boy ran a stop sign and the driver hit him, according to DPS.

The crash, which occurred 4 miles east of Odessa, is still under investigation. The boy was pronounced dead at about 9:30 p.m. after being taken to Medical Center Hospital.

Samuel is the seventh person to die in seven crashes on Midland County roads this year, according to Reporter-Telegram records.

The last fatal crash occurred Feb. 10 in downtown Midland when an 86-year-old male pedestrian was hit on "A" Street. The driver left the scene but later called dispatch from a convenience store to notify them of the incident.

David Ham, owner of Peyton's Bikes,

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Report: More farms in Texas; farmers' average age rose

Associated Press

LUBBOCK — While the number of farms in Texas rose over a five-year span, the state lost about 200,000 acres of farmland, according to a new federal report released Thursday.

Texas leads the nation with 248,810 farms, up from 247,437 operations in 2007, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's preliminary 2012 Census of Agriculture report said. Farmland covers about 130.2 million acres in Texas, a negligible drop from about 130.4 million acres in 2007.

Though still in the throes of a multiyear drought during which ranchers sold millions of heads of cattle, Texas also led the U.S. in livestock sales with $18 billion.

It was also in the top 10 in total agriculture sales — third with $25.4 billion — and in crop sales, $7.4 billion, good for eighth place.

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples, a Republican who's running for lieutenant governor, said the report is proof Texas economy continues to be strong.

"Texas continues to lead the nation in farm and ranch acreage and even during times of extreme drought, the total market value of Texas agriculture grew by 25 percent from the previous census five years ago," he said.

The market value of all agriculture products sold in Texas rose by 21 percent over the five-year period.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's preliminary 2012 Census of Agriculture report provides national and state-based estimates on the number of farms, how many acres are farmed, the number of farmers and their average age and other statistics. The report, issued every five years, is used in evaluating and implementing agriculture policies and programs.

According to the census, a third of farmers across the U.S. were older than 65 in 2012. In Texas, the average age is 60.1 years, up from 58.9 years in 2007. A younger generation of Texan farmers helped with the age statistic, with 9,301 people ages 24 to 34 farming or ranching in 2012 compared to 9,246 in 2007.

More women are taking to the land

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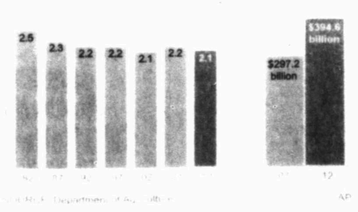
National statistics

The number of U.S. farms declined slightly in the past five years, while the value of agricultural products has grown.



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Susie's South Forty shutters Odessa outlet

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Midland is now the only place candy connoisseurs can purchase sweets from Susie's South Forty Confections. The business' Odessa location closed last week.

The candy factory, however, still accepts orders online and by phone.

Susie Hitchcock-Hall said she made the decision to close her Odessa location after Valentine's Day so she could concentrate on her factory's new downtown Midland location, which opened last month.

"We just need to focus right now on getting the manufacturing plant and gift shop up and running," she said.

The Odessa store closed on Saturday — the day after Valentine's Day.

Last year, Hitchcock-Hall decided to make the Odessa location a seasonal store, meaning it was only open during certain holidays.

"I couldn't justify it being open year-round," she said.

Even though last year the store was not open every day like its Midland location, Hitchcock-Hall still had to pay to rent the Odessa space. The lease has since expired and she no longer has to burden that cost, she said.

"We moved out, and that was the end of it for now," she said.

Susie's South Forty may eventually open a new location in Odessa, but there are no official plans yet, she said. The business is now considering new marketing ideas and will revisit the idea of opening a new location later this year, she said.

The Midland shop located at 2101 W. Wadley Ave. is still open, Hitchcock-Hall said, and there are no plans of closing it. She added the Wadley location is seeing fewer customers now that the new factory opened downtown.

"It's just a fun thing to come to the factory," she said.

The store is open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.,

The downtown factory, located at 401 S. Marienfeld St., also changed its hours and is now open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. On Saturdays, the factory is now open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

But Hitchcock-Hall said that she'll keep the factory open later when there are events scheduled downtown.

Texas Senate panel checks women's health programs

Associated Press

AUSTIN — As a top Republican lawmaker made her case Thursday that women's health programs in Texas remain effective after the Legislature banned the use of state funding for groups such as Planned Parenthood, critics blasted the GOP majority as placing ideology over best health care practices and leaving women with few choices for routine care.

State Sen. Jane Nelson, chairwoman of the Health and Human Services Committee, said Texas spends more money and provides more access to women's health programs than ever before, even after the Republican-controlled Legislature sacrificed federal funding in order to ban state funding of clinics associated with groups that provide abortions.

"I realize that 2011 was a difficult budget year and reductions in family planning had an impact on access to services, but we also made significant investments and significant progress since then," she said. "I still see so much misleading data being circulated to Texas women, and one of the things I want to do today is set the record straight."

Associated Press

Various Texas legislators, including Rep. Donna Howard, gathered in the open-air rotunda Thursday to show their support for women's health issues and concerns after the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services met at the Texas State Capitol.

Nelson and state agency leaders said the Legislature provided $240 million for the 2014-15 budget cycle, compared with $127 million in 2012-13 and $201 million in 2010-11. State agencies shifted the programs from reimbursing single-purpose clinics for treating poor women to individual doctors in private practice.

Sen. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo, asked how the spending compared on a per-woman basis, since Texas has one of the fastest-growing populations in the nation and one of the highest poverty rates. Health and Human Services Commissioner Kyle Janek said he didn't have that information.

Outside the hearing, Democratic lawmakers and officials with Planned Parenthood and the Texas Freedom Network said the information provided at the hearing was distorted. Activists say poor women in rural areas face major obstacles to getting care since 76 family planning clinics had to shut down for lack of funding because the Republican majority didn't want any taxpayer money going to groups that support abortion rights.

FATAL

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said it is becoming increasingly important for bicyclists to stay safe on Midland County roads, especially with the recent influx in population.

"With all the traffic, you just have to be aware of everything around you," Ham said.

Ham said he tells his customers who purchase bicycles from his store that they should also invest in safety equipment and to wear bright clothing when riding.

"We don't want to have people hurt riding their bicycle," he said. "It's not required to wear a helmet, but we do emphasize that."

Bicyclists have the same rights as vehicle operators in Midland, said Sara Higgins, Midland Police Department spokeswoman. But that also means they have the same responsibility as other drivers. Bicyclists need to stop at stop signs and red lights, she said.

MPD also encourages riders to avoid roads with higher speed limits and always wear a helmet, she said.

Officials with the city are considering the implementation of bike lanes on some of the city's current roads, Higgins added.

"One way we can bottle traffic on our roads is to encourage public transportation or ride your bikes to work," she said.

Kent Crowell, former vice president and safety director of the Permian Basin Bicycling Association, shared a few guidelines to help bicyclists stay safe on busier Midland roads.

Bicycle riders need to be predictable and think of themselves as invisible, he said. If bicyclists assume they're invisible, they will often take greater steps toward overall safety, Crowell said.

It is also a good idea to try and make eye contact with vehicle drivers to ensure the other drivers know the bicyclist is also on the road, he said.

Before riding a bike, Crowell also said riders should remember their ABC's: Check the air in the tires, the breaks and chains.

"I see a lot of kids riding their bikes," he said. "They're pretty independent but you can tell they don't have enough air in them. It's a preventable problem: Teach the kids how to check the air."

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Cindy J. Carrasco, 30, of Midland, was charged Wednesday with theft.

Paul G. Flournoy, 28, of Midland, was charged Wednesday with unauthorized use of a vehicle and theft of service.

Irving H. Gomez, 22, of Midland, was charged Wednesday with evading arrest.

Davorrin D. Mcafee, 20, of Midland, was charged Wednesday with violation of parole.

Michael S. Murphy, 24, of Midland, was charged Wednesday with possession of a controlled substance.

Timothy J. Rogers, 60, of Midland, was charged Wednesday with driving while intoxicated three or more times.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

ROADS

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deterioration condition.

Barton further estimated that, "to provide the type of transportation infrastructure we all want" would cost an additional $5 billion a year. Barton expressed appreciation that the Texas Legislature was attempting to address the issue of oil-impacted roads. During last year's session, legislators appropriated $450 million to help oil-impacted areas, with the $450 million evenly divided between work on state roads and work on county roads. Virtually every Texas county is eligible to apply for a part of the $225 million in grants, he said, with applications being accepted March 7-14. Consideration of grants will be split this way: 20 percent on weight-tolerance permits, 20 percent on receipt of oil and gas production taxes, 50 percent on the number of well completions and 10 percent on the volume of oil and gas waste injections within county lines. Counties will be required to match 20 percent of the grant, or 10 percent if it's considered economically disadvantaged. Each county must perform an infrastructure assessment and establish County Energy Transportation Reinvestment Zones.

The agency has earmarked $58.2 million for nine Permian Basin road repair projects, Barton reported.

In November, Texas voters will decide the fate of a constitutional amendment that would shift $1.4 billion from the state's Rainy Day Fund, which is funded by oil and gas severance taxes, into transportation projects.

Legislators, Barton said, could come in each session and establish a balance threshold for the rainy day fund and, if the balance exceeds that threshold, the excess can be appropriated for transportation, possibly resulting in a revenue stream of $1 billion to $1.2 billion a year. That, he said, would offer the agency a huge opportunity to address needs.

Ben Shepperd, of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association, echoed Barton's appreciation of state legislators' efforts to address oil-impacted roads, saying, "There's not enough money in the world to solve all our transportation issues."

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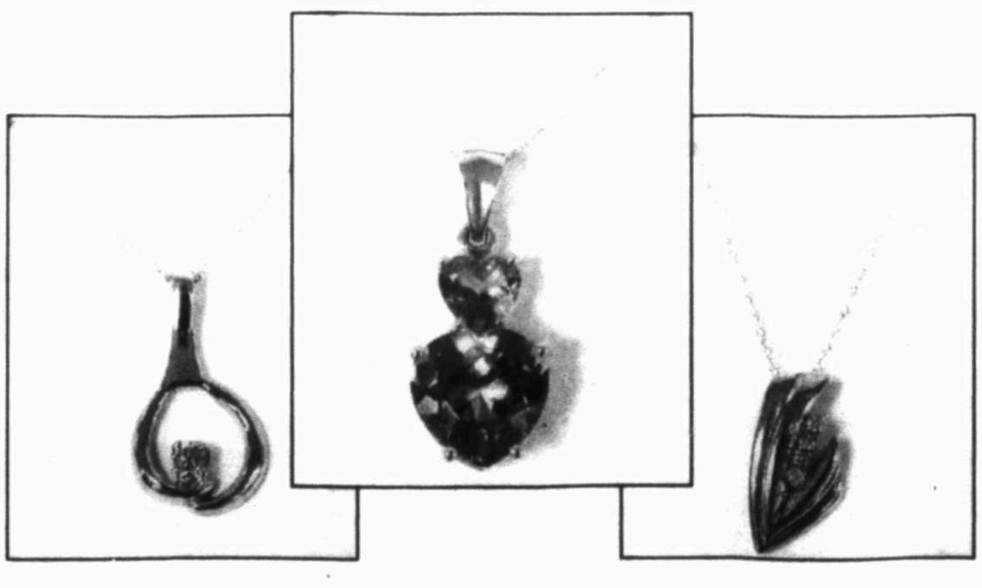

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STATEBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

AUSTIN

Perry condemns Nugent's 'subhuman mongrel' remark

Gov. Rick Perry has condemned inflammatory remarks by Ted Nugent that resurfaced after the rocker campaigned with Republican Attorney General Greg Abbott.

Nugent was quoted as calling President Barack Obama a "subhuman mongrel" in an interview last month. Perry said Thursday that he's "got a problem calling the president a mongrel."

Nugent performed at Perry's inauguration in 2007. Perry said Nugent saying something outrageous shouldn't surprise anyone.

Abbott is the GOP favorite to succeed Perry in November. He brought Nugent to campaign stops this week but sidestepped questions about divisive comments previously made by Nugent regarding immigrants and women.

Abbott spokesman Matt Hirsch didn't immediately return messages seeking comment Thursday. Democratic opponent Wendy Davis has denounced Abbott inviting Nugent.

Perry spoke while appearing on CNN's "Situation Room."

HOUSTON

Police launch probe of homicide division

Officials say an ongoing internal probe of the Houston Police Department's homicide division shouldn't lessen public confidence in its work.

Houston Police Chief Charles McClelland said Thursday that he's ordered the internal-affairs investigation of the homicide unit after a question arose over what he calls "some policy and procedure issues surrounding an investigation."

McClelland said that until the investigation is completed, he couldn't provide any additional details on the nature of the allegations that prompted the probe. He also said he can't comment on how many cases or how many officers are being reviewed as part of the investigation.

Houston Police Officer's Union President Ray Hunt said one officer has been relieved of duty with pay pending the investigation outcome.

WACO

Inmate accused of trying to have judge killed

Authorities in Central Texas say an incarcerated sex offender has been charged with attempted capital murder for trying to hire someone to kill the judge who sent him to prison.

William Ray Phillips was charged Wednesday by McLennan County officials.

The 63-year-old Phillips was sentenced last year to 10 years in prison by state District Judge Matt Johnson for failing to register as an offender.

Arrest records show Phillips in July was overheard talking to another inmate at a Waco jail about hiring a hit man for $30,000 to kill Johnson. Authorities were notified who then launched an investigation.

An undercover officer eventually met with Phillips who explained his intentions.

Phillips has prior convictions for sexually abusing a child and also for possessing hundreds of images of child pornography.

DALLAS

Lake yields no evidence in Texas official's death

A search of a North Texas lake did not find weapons or evidence linked to the killings of the Kaufman County district attorney, his wife and a chief deputy.

A law enforcement official told The Associated Press on Thursday that a dive team came up empty in a search of Lake Tawakoni, east of Dallas. The official was not authorized to discuss the case publicly and spoke on condition of anonymity.

Authorities were acting on a tip in the deaths last year of District Attorney Mike McLelland, his wife Cynthia and prosecutor Mark Hasse.

Ex-Justice of the Peace Eric Williams and his wife Kim are charged with capital murder.

Associated Press

'Terms of Endearment' house for sale

A Houston mansion where scenes from the Oscar-winning movie "Terms of Endearment" were filmed is for sale for $3.5 million.

Richard Ray, a real estate agent with John Daugherty Realtors, said the home's interior and backyard were used to depict the home of Jack Nicholson's playboy character. Scenes for the 1983 film were shot at the pool, master bedroom and kitchen. The kitchen has since been remodeled, the pool transformed into a pond.

The almost 7,000-square-foot home, known as the Waldo Mansion, was built in 1885 by J.P. Waldo, who was in the railroad business.

Ray said this marks the first time it's been for sale in 25 years. He noted another Houston home was used to depict the exterior.

Spokesmen for state and local authorities confirmed a search on Wednesday but declined to elaborate.

KRLD first reported the search results.

GRAPEVINE

Hit-and-run suspect pulled off plane at DFW

Authorities in North Texas say they had to pull a suspect in a hit-and-run accident off a plane as he was trying to flee the United States.

Arlington police said Omar Bashir Mohammed was detained Wednesday night at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport. Police spokesman Lt. Christopher Cook said the 25-year-old Mohammed was on board a plane when he was detained by police.

Cook said Mohammed was trying to flee to the Middle Eastern country of Jordan.

Authorities said Mohammed hit a pedestrian on a sidewalk with his car on Saturday. He's accused of one count of an accident involving serious bodily injury.

The man, who is in his 70s, was hospitalized in serious condition.

Mohammed did not have an attorney in online jail records or a listed phone number.

DALLAS

Grand jury opts not to indict judge for assault

A Dallas County grand jury has decided not to indict a state district judge on a felony charge of assault following a domestic disturbance with his girlfriend.

Jurors made the decision Thursday in a case involving Judge Carlos Cortez.

He was arrested Dec. 28 on allegations he choked the 26-year-old woman, leaned her over the edge of the balcony at his apartment and threatened to kill her.

In a motion filed two days later, the 44-year-old Cortez said the woman was trying to kill herself and he tried to pull her away from the balcony.

Cortez asked a judge to throw out an emergency protective order granted after the incident.

Cortez had been charged with family violence assault, a third-degree felony punishable by up to 10 years in prison.

DALLAS

2 sentenced for roles in Texas drug conspiracy

Federal prosecutors say two men who were part of a drug conspiracy involving nearly 40 people have received lengthy prison sentences for distributing methamphetamine.

Prosecutors announced Thursday that 41-year-old Steve Ysasaga, of Arlington, was sentenced a day earlier to 20 years in prison. Earlier this week 34-year-old Roberto Macias, of El Paso, received a 15-year term.

Both men pleaded guilty last year to their roles in the distribution ring. Prosecutors say a total of 39 people have entered guilty pleas in the case.

Ysasaga was given large amounts of meth from suppliers in the Dallas-Fort Worth area from 2010 to 2012 and then distributed the drug in the Wichita Falls area. He also coordinated the manufacturing of the drug.

Macias admitted he also distributed the drug to customers in Wichita Falls.

DALLAS

WFAA anchor Gloria Campos retiring after 30 years

Dallas-Fort Worth television anchor Gloria Campos is retiring after 30 years at WFAA-TV.

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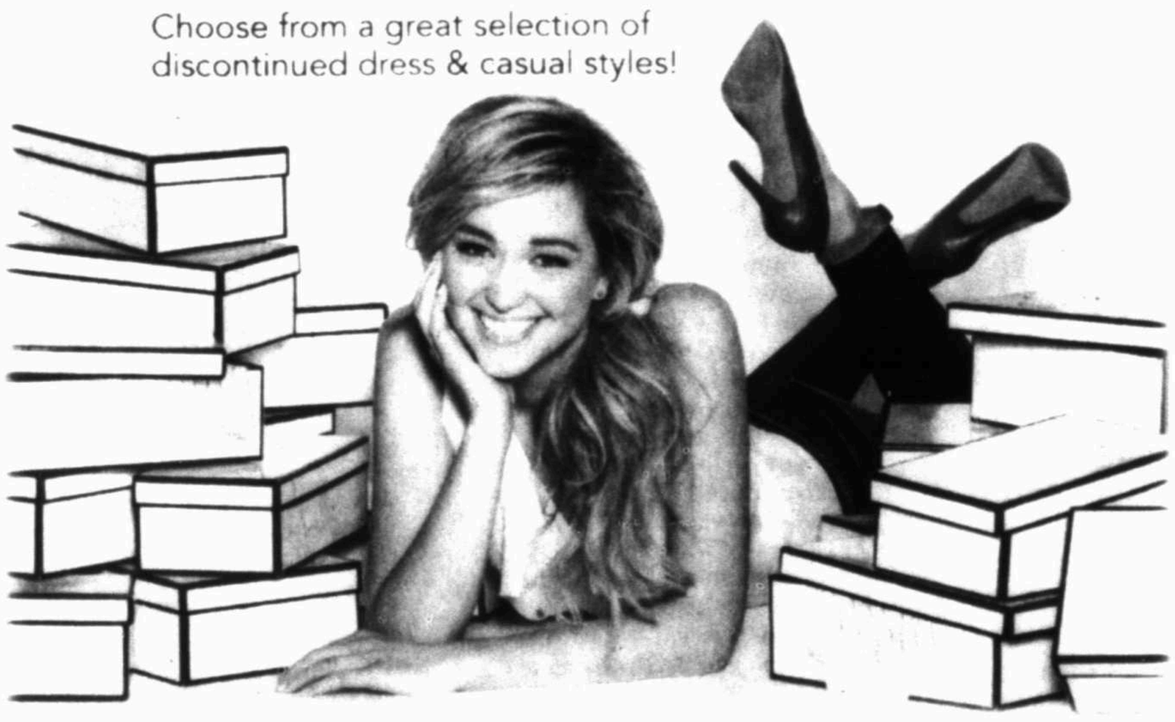

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Things to do

■ Storytime for children age 3 to 5, 10:30 a.m., Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center. 685-7376.

■ West Texas Guitar Festival at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center.

■ "Mary Poppins" at Cole Theatre, Midland Community Theatre. www.mctmidland.org. 570-4111.

■ "Footloose" at Permian Playhouse in Odessa. permianplayhouse.com.

■ Trinity School's production of "King & I" at Yucca Theatre. trinitymidland.org.

Busy sports weekend

■ Softball, West Texas Classic Softball Tournament at the Freddie Ezell Softball Complex.

Games begin at 11 a.m. each day and will continue through the evening.

■ Tennis, Tall City Invitational Tennis Tournament at Bush Tennis Center, Midland College and Midland High.

■ Basketball, Region I-2A Girls Basketball Tournament at Chaparral Center.

■ Golf at Dunn/Ratcliff Tall City Boys Golf Invitational.

Early voting info today

■ Midland County Annex Building, 2110 N. "A" St., 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

■ Midland County Public Library's Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 North, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

■ Christ Church, 5501 N. Midkiff Road, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

■ Cogdell Learning Center, 211 W. Florida Ave., 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

■ Manor Park, 5212 Sinclair Ave., 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Source: www.co.midland.tx.us/elections

New movies in Midland

■ **At Tall City 14:** "3 Days to Kill," "Pompeii"

■ **At Cinergy Cinemas:** "3 Days to Kill," "Pompeii"

Water usage

Feb. 12	3,767,000 gallons
Feb. 13	13,780,000 gallons
Feb. 14	13,946,000 gallons
Feb. 15	16,435,000 gallons
Feb. 16	19,351,000 gallons
Monday	16,063,000 gallons
Tuesday	13,903,000 gallons
Wednesday	13,208,000 gallons

Current total storage by CRMWD in their lakes is 92,136 acre-feet. (1 acre-foot is approximately 325,800 gallons). The average CRMWD delivery for January was 9,494,290 gallons. The current average in February is 9,195,105.

Source: City of Midland

Club meeting

■ Permian Toastmasters 1509, noon, Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, 208 S. Marienfeld. Celeste Perez, 682-2960 or celeste@midlandhcc.com

Gas prices in Midland

■ **Cheapest gas:** $3.15 (Alon, "A" Street/Loop 250; Texaco, Briarwood/Northcrest; Texaco, Texaco, Midkiff Road/Wadley Avenue; H-E-B, Wadley Avenue/Midkiff)

■ **Most expensive:** $3.25 (stations across town)

■ **Most common price:** $3.25

■ **Cheapest prices in West Texas:** Lubbock $3.11; Odessa $3.12; San Angelo $3.12; Abilene $3.14; Midland $3.15

	Mid-Od	Texas
Thursday	$3.237	$3.194
Last week	$3.173	$3.151
Last month	$3.060	$3.092
Last year	$3.653	$3.639

Source: TexasGasPrices.com

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Pick 3 night: 0-3-4
Daily 4 day: 2-2-9-6
Daily 4 night: 6-2-2-9
Daily 4 day: 7-9-4-4
Daily 4 night: 6-2-5-7
Cash Five: 1-7-10-33-34
Texas Two Step: 5-6-20-32 BB: 35
All or Nothing morning: 3-4-5-6-9-10-13-14-16-18-19-24
All or Nothing day: 2-3-4-6-8-9-11-12-13-16-17-22
All or Nothing evening: 1-2-3-4-5-6-9-10-11-15-18-24
All or Nothing night: 1-3-7-8-10-11-12-14-15-16-17-22

Today in history

Today is Friday, Feb. 21, the 52nd day of 2014. There are 313 days left in the year.

Today's highlight:

On Feb. 21, 1965, black Muslim leader and civil rights activist Malcolm X, 39, was shot to death inside the Audubon Ballroom in New York by assassins identified as members of the Nation of Islam.

On this date:

In 1885, the Washington Monument was dedicated.

In 1947, Edwin H. Land publicly demonstrated his Polaroid Land camera, which could produce a black-and-white photograph in 60 seconds.

In 1972, President Richard M. Nixon began his historic visit to China as he and his wife, Pat, arrived in Beijing.

Religious freedom bill riles gay rights supporters

Associated Press

PHOENIX — The Arizona Legislature gave final approval Thursday evening to legislation that allows business owners asserting their religious beliefs to refuse service to gays, drawing backlash from Democrats who called the proposal "state-sanctioned discrimination" and an embarrassment.

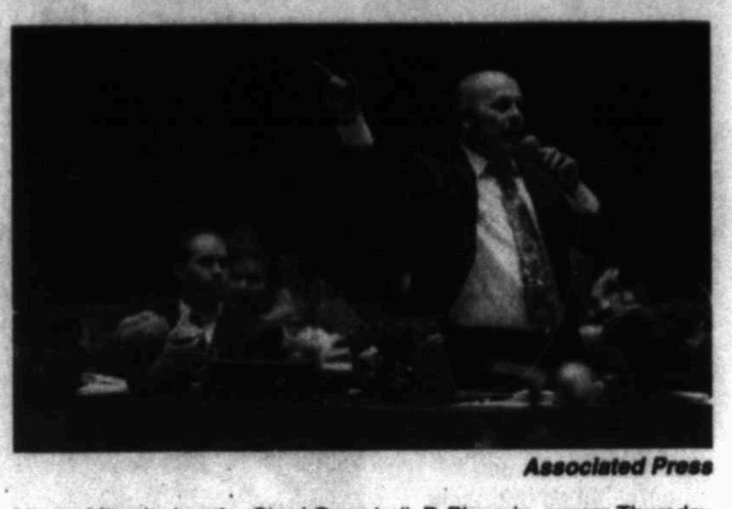
The 33-27 vote by the House sends the legislation to Republican Gov. Jan Brewer and puts Arizona back at the forefront of a polarizing piece of legislation four years after the state enacted an immigration crackdown that caused a national furor.

Similar religious protection legislation has been introduced in Ohio, Mississippi, Idaho, South Dakota, Tennessee and Oklahoma, but Arizona's plan is the only one that has passed. The efforts are stalled in Idaho, Ohio and Kansas.

Republicans stressed that the bill is about protecting religious freedom and not discrimination. They frequently cited the case of a New Mexico photographer who was sued after refusing to take wedding pictures of a gay couple and said Arizona needs a law to protect people in the state from heavy-handed actions by courts and law enforcement.

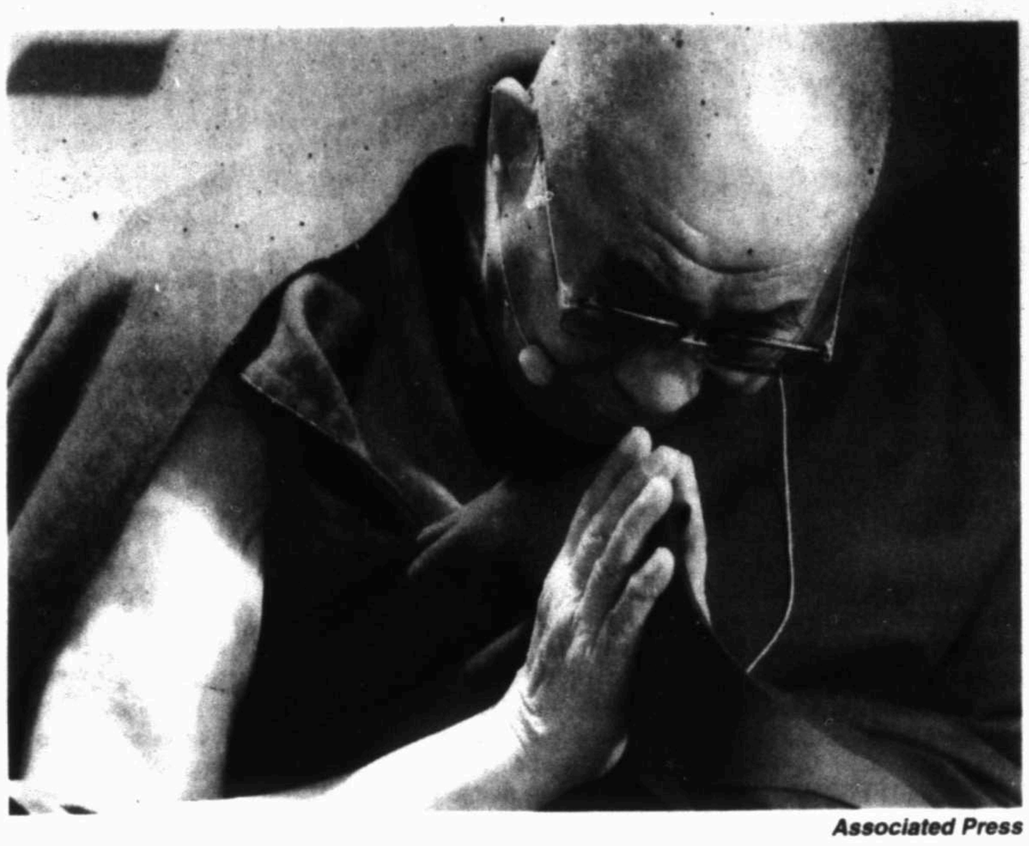
The bill allows any business, church or person to cite the law as a defense in any action brought by the government or individual claiming discrimination. It also allows the business or person to seek an injunction once they show their actions are based on a sincere religious belief and the claim places a burden on the exercise of their religion.

The legislation prompted a heated debate on the floor of the House, touching on issues such as the religious freedom, constitutional protections and civil rights.



Associated Press

House Minority Leader Chad Campbell, D-Phoenix, argues Thursday on the House Floor in Phoenix that House Bill 2153 would discriminate against gays and others. House Bill 2153, written by the conservative advocacy group Center for Arizona Policy and the Christian legal organization Alliance Defending Freedom, would allow individuals to use religious beliefs as a defense in a lawsuit filed by another individual.



Associated Press

Tibetan spiritual leader the Dalai Lama acknowledges the audience before speaking at an event entitled: "Happiness, Free Enterprise, and Human Flourishing" on Thursday at the American Enterprise Institute in Washington.

Dalai Lama appears at right-wing US think tank

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Smiling and in saffron robes, Tibetan spiritual leader the Dalai Lama on Thursday brought a message of compassion and care for humanity to the free market mavens of a right-leaning Washington think tank.

The revered Buddhist monk began his latest speaking tour of the United States on unfamiliar territory, as honored guest at the American Enterprise Institute for a discussion on happiness and free enterprise.

The Nobel laureate, famed for his peaceful struggle for greater Tibetan autonomy that is bitterly opposed by China, has in the past courted controversy by identifying with the economic equality promoted by Marxism, although decrying totalitarian political systems.

Punctuating his musings with infectious laughter, the Dalai Lama, sounded more amenable to capitalism on Thursday.

"Wonderful presentation!" he exclaimed after listening to Daniel Loeb, a yoga practicing investment manager, who espoused the ability of markets to make the world a better place. The Dalai Lama said that after hearing the opinions of Loeb and prominent economists in the past two days: "I have more respect for capitalism." His comment drew hearty applause from the audience.

The American Enterprise Institute's president, Arthur Brooks, said the Great Recession had left many people feeling they had been left behind by the free market economy, and he asked the Dalai Lama what more could be done to include more people in its "blessings."

The Dalai Lama offered a philosophical answer. He emphasized the importance of concern for others and a holistic outlook. He said that ultimately it's in one's own self-interest to help the rest of humanity.

He acknowledged the failings of centralized economies, and even credited former Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping for instituting economic reforms in the 1980s that had changed the communist system and brought prosperity. But he also drew attention to the gap between rich and poor in market economies, including in the United States.

The Dalai Lama is a frequent visitor in the U.S. During his current three-week visit, he also has public speaking events in California and Minnesota.

He has lived in exiled in northern India since fleeing China in 1959. He advocates increased autonomy for his homeland of Tibet but is also widely respected around the world for his advocacy of peace and tolerance. China accuses him of being a separatist agitator.

Obama to meet with Dalai Lama today

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama is scheduled to meet with the Dalai Lama at the White House today as the Tibetan religious leader stops by on a U.S. tour.

The meeting will be the third between the celebrated Buddhist monk and Obama, who has praised the Dalai Lama's commitment to nonviolence and his advocacy for a "middle way" in Tibet's long-running sovereignty dispute with China.

The closed-door session is likely to provoke a condemnation from China. After the last meeting in July 2011, Chinese officials accused Obama of interfering with internal affairs and harming Sino-U.S. relations.

In announcing the meeting, the White House was sensitive to the concerns. Obama will not greet the Dalai Lama as he would a foreign leader; the meeting will occur in the Map Room, not the Oval Office.

The National Security Council's spokeswoman stressed that U.S. policy considers Tibet to be part of the People's Republic of China and does not support Tibetan independence.

"The president will meet with the Dalai Lama in his capacity as an internationally respected religious and cultural leader," Caitlin Hayden said in a statement, noting that past presidents of both parties have welcomed the Nobel Peace Prize winner to the White House.

Hayden added that the U.S. has concerns about human rights abuses in the Tibetan areas of China.

"The United States supports the Dalai Lama's 'middle way' approach of neither assimilation nor independence for Tibetans in China," Hayden said. "We will continue to urge the Chinese government to resume dialogue with the Dalai Lama or his representatives, without preconditions, as a means to reduce tensions."

MCT

Civil rights group: Signs 'expression' of free speech

By Tyler White
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A local civil rights group spoke out Thursday after learning two Midland police officers confiscated panhandlers' signs for a competition.

Cassandra Champion, a veterans' rights attorney with the Odessa office of the Texas Civil Rights Project, said it's disturbing to hear that these officers were targeting people for their signs, which she deemed "an expression of free speech."

The act of making a competition out of the sign retrieval opens up the possibility for "discriminatory harassment," as officers target people who are or may be perceived as homeless.

She said the Texas Civil Rights Project would be open to investigating these "unjustified interactions with police" because the organization has done so in the past.

John Francis Curran, an Austin homeless man, was arrested in June 2003 for violating a section of the Austin City Code that prohibited the solicitation of motor vehicles when he stood on an Austin street corner holding a sign that read "Donations of any kind will help," according to the National Coalition for the Homeless.

Curran fought the solicitation ban in 2005 on the grounds that it was unconstitutional. The Texas Civil Rights Project and the Texas RioGrande Legal Aid (TRLA) supported that claim as his representation. An Austin municipal court deemed the ordinance against panhandling unconstitutional for violating First Amendment rights. Municipal Court Judge Alfred Jenkins said the solicitation ban was "overly broad and ... not narrowly tailored," according to the Austin Chronicle.

The state of Texas appealed that 2005 ruling, but Judge David Phillips upheld the ruling in 2008.

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to understand what took place.

"The chief said the officers understand what they've done wrong and hopefully it will never happen again," Morales said.

Hester admitted to taking signs from panhandlers because the officer believed they violated the city's ordinance against panhandling.

Midland City Code makes no mention of panhandling, but peddlers — or unwelcome solicitors — must first obtain a city permit.

According to Texas Transportation Code, people are not allowed to stand in a roadway to solicit a ride, contribution, employment or business from an occupant of a vehicle.

But they can ask for charitable contributions if they have permission from the local authority with jurisdiction over the roadway. Section 552.007 states.

At their monthly meeting Thursday afternoon, members of Midland's Homeless Coalition called for more education about local and state panhandling rules. They also worried about the safety of panhandlers — who aren't always homeless — if they stand at busy intersections.

Linda Hamblin, chairwoman of the homeless coalition, said homelessness is not something to be judged.

"They are people, and homelessness is an event in a person's life that does not need to define them," Hamblin said. "It's symptomatic of other issues."

The homeless population carries many negative stereotypes, but they should not be treated with cruelty, Hamblin said.

"We do want to help these people," she said. "We want to find more longterm solutions to give them a chance."

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in Texas, too, with 38,451 farming in 2012, a jump of 3,440. Male farmers declined by 2,067.

Most Texas farms are small, with 88 percent having sales of less than $50,000 in 2012. The average size of farms or ranches across the state in 2012 was 523 acres, down slightly from 527 acres in 2007.

The census defines a farm as any agricultural operation that had $1,000 in sales in the census year or had the potential to have $1,000 in sales in the census year.

BNSF plans to upgrade its tanker fleet after accidents

Associated Press

BILLINGS, Mont. — BNSF Railway Co. said Thursday it intends to buy a fleet of 5,000 strengthened tank cars to haul oil and ethanol in a move that would set a higher benchmark for safety within an industry that's seen multiple major accidents.

The voluntary step by the Texas-based subsidiary of Warren Buffett's Berkshire Hathaway Inc. comes as railroads in the U.S. and Canada are under intense pressure to improve safety for hazardous materials shipments.

There's been a string of recent train accidents involving oil and ethanol, punctuated by a crude shipment that derailed in Quebec last July and killed 47 people.

A boom in domestic oil drilling and rising ethanol production spurred a dramatic increase in shipments of the materials by rail. Much of it is being hauled by an old fleet of about 78,000 tank cars that are prone to split during accidents.

Thursday's announcement marks a potential major step in addressing that problem. However, it would not mean those older cars would go away, and there's already a two-year backlog on new tank car construction.

In announcing that it will ask manufacturers to submit bids for the new cars, BNSF indicated it was unwilling to wait for the U.S. Department of Transportation to finalize pending regulations on improved tank cars.

The company said it hoped to accelerate the transition to a new generation of safer tank cars and give manufacturers a head start in designing them as federal officials consider changes to the current standards.

Typically, railroads don't own the tank cars they pull, making BNSF's proposal somewhat unusual. But whether it will spur other shipping companies or railroads to follow suit was uncertain, said Tom Simpson, president of the Railway Supply Institute, a trade association representing tank car manufacturers and owners.

"Everyone has the right to go to a tougher standard," Simpson said. "We'll see how it plays out."

BNSF spokeswoman Roxanne Butler said the request for bids on new cars reflects the company's "commitment to crude-by-rail growth and improving the overall safety of crude transportation."

In addition to the older tank cars that are prone to fail, there are about 14,000 cars being used that were built according to a more stringent standard established by the industry in 2011.

Thyroid cancer cases soar; is it overdiagnosed?

Associated Press

CHICAGO — A dramatic rise in thyroid cancer has resulted from overdiagnosis and treatment of tumors too small to ever cause harm, according to a study that found cases nearly tripled since 1975.

The study is the latest to question whether all cancers need aggressive treatment. Other research has suggested that certain cancers of the prostate, breast and lung as well as thyroid grow so slowly that they will never become deadly and that overzealous screening leads to overtreatment.

The thyroid is a hormone-releasing gland in the neck that helps regulate the body's metabolism. Thyroid cancer treatment often includes surgery to remove the butterfly-shaped gland, followed by lifelong daily hormone pills.

Thyroid removal is done for 85 percent of all people diagnosed despite guidelines that say less aggressive surgery is reasonable for lower-risk thyroid tumors, the study authors said.

"Our old strategy of looking as hard as possible to find cancer has some real side effects," said Dr. Gilbert Welch, co-author of the thyroid study and a professor of medicine at the Dartmouth Institute for Health Policy and Clinical Practice.

Welch said patients "can no longer assume" that labeling a disease as cancer means treatment is necessary. "It's a challenging rethinking," he added.

Welch and Dartmouth colleague Dr. Louise Davies analyzed government data from 1975 to 2009 and found thyroid cancers jumped from 5 cases per 100,000 people to 14 per 100,000. Most of that increase was in papillary thyroid cancers, the most common and least deadly kind; those cases jumped from about three cases per 100,000 to more than 12 per 100,000.

The results suggest there is "an ongoing epidemic of thyroid cancer" nationwide, they said.

The study was published online Thursday in JAMA Otolaryngology.

Despite the increase, thyroid cancer is relatively uncommon; more than 60,000 cases were diagnosed nationwide last year, according to the American Cancer Society. Risk factors for thyroid cancer include diets low in iodine — rare in the United States — and radiation exposure. Women are more commonly diagnosed than men.

The new research echoes previous studies but "certainly raises some provocative questions," said Dr. Brian Burkey, a Cleveland Clinic head and neck cancer specialist.

Experts know that better detection methods including CT scans and ultrasound, have led to more thyroid cancers being diagnosed, but they don't know which ones will become aggressive, Burkey said.

"Thyroid cancer even if treated has a fairly high recurrence rate even if it doesn't kill," he said.

Panel advances bill raising Utah smoking age to 21

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — A proposal advancing in the Utah Legislature could make the state the first in the country to raise the age people can buy tobacco products from 19 to 21.

The Senate Health and Human Services Committee voted 4-1 on Thursday morning to approve the measure, forwarding it to the full Senate for a vote.

Sen. Stuart Reid, R-Ogden, is sponsoring the bill, which he said could prevent young people from becoming addicted to tobacco because it delays their access to it.

His bill would take effect in 2016, which he said gives the 18-, 19- and 20-year-olds who already smoke enough time to reach the new minimum age.

Opponents of his bill argued there's no evidence to support that.

Instead, they said the measure infringes on the freedom of young adults.

Utah is already among a handful of states that ban sales for those under 19 years old, instead of 18.

Last year, New York City became the first large city or state in the country to bar tobacco sales to people under 21.

Reid's bill could make Utah the first state to follow New York City's ban, though Colorado legislators are also considering a similar measure this year.

Lehi resident Marla Brannum, a mother of three children, urged lawmakers to pass the bill, saying it would "drastically eliminate" the ability of her kids to access cigarettes.

"By raising the age limit, it puts them in a situation where they're not going to pick it up until a much later age," she said.

Flu season wanes; younger adults hit hardest

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Flu season seems to be winding down, and it's been an odd one.

It hasn't been as bad as last year and the vaccine worked a little better. And it has been a fairly mild one for the elderly — traditionally the most vulnerable group.

But it's been a different story for young and middle-age adults, who have been hit harder than expected because of a surge in swine flu.

Most flu seasons, only one-third of the people who land in the hospital with the flu are adults ages 18-64. This winter, they have accounted for two-thirds, most of them adults who were obese or had another ailment.

The numbers "are painful reminders that flu can be serious for anyone, not just infants and the very old," said Dr. Tom Frieden, director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The CDC released new information Thursday about the flu season, which started around mid-December, a bit earlier than usual, and apparently peaked by mid-January. Last winter, it started even earlier.

For weeks, flu has been waning in some parts of the country, although health officials say there's still a lot of flu virus going around and flu season is capable of getting a second wind.

One way the CDC measures the flu's severity is by rates of hospitalizations for flu and its complications. Overall, they have been only half what they were last winter despite the higher rates in younger adults.

Health officials say that's because the flu strain that is making most people sick this winter is swine flu, or H1N1. That kind first showed up in 2009 and caused a global pandemic that was particularly dangerous to younger adults.

Since then, the virus has been around each winter but mostly has been a backstage presence. Experts say the virus hasn't mutated. It's simply encountering a lot of younger adults who never were infected before and haven't been vaccinated, said CDC flu expert Dr. Joseph Bresee.

The annual flu vaccine is modified each year, and swine flu is now included in the mix of seasonal strains. Working-age adults have the lowest vaccination rates, CDC officials noted.

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Climate change is hardly 'settled science'

■ Scientists and the president can't come out and say climate change is anything; it doesn't make it so

CHARLES KRAUTHAMMER

Washington Post Writers Group

I repeat: I'm not a global warming believer. I'm not a global warming denier. I've long believed that it cannot be good for humanity to be spewing tons of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere. I also believe that those scientists who pretend to know exactly what this will cause in 20, 30 or 50 years are white-coated propagandists.

"The debate is settled," asserted propagandist in chief Barack Obama in his latest State of the Union address. "Climate change is a fact." Really? There is nothing more anti-scientific than the very idea that science is settled, static, impervious to challenge. Take a non-climate example. It was long assumed that mammograms help reduce breast cancer deaths. This fact was so settled that Obamacare requires every insurance plan to offer mammograms (for free, no less).

Now we learn from a massive randomized study — 90,000 women followed for 25 years — that mammograms may have no effect on breast cancer deaths. Indeed, one out of five of those diagnosed by mammogram receives unnecessary radiation, chemo or surgery.

So much for settledness. And climate is less well understood than breast cancer. If climate science is settled, why do its predictions keep changing? And how is it that the great physicist Freeman Dyson, who did some climate research in the late 1970s, thinks today's climate-change Cassandras are hopelessly mistaken?.

They deal with the fluid dynamics of the atmosphere and oceans, argues Dyson, ignoring the effect of biology, i.e., vegetation and topsoil. Further, their predictions rest on models they fall in love with: "You sit in front of a computer screen for 10 years and you start to think of your model as being real." Not surprisingly, these models have been "consistently and spectacularly wrong" in their predictions, write atmospheric scientists Richard McNider and John Christy — and always, amazingly, in the same direction.

Settled? Even the U.K.'s national weather service concedes there's been no change — delicately called a "pause" — in global temperature in 15 years. If even the raw data is recalcitrant, let alone the assumptions and underlying models, how settled is the science?

Last Friday, Obama ostentatiously visited drought-stricken California. Surprise! He blamed climate change. Here even The New York Times gagged, pointing out that far from being supported by the evidence, "the most recent computer projections suggest that as the world warms, California should get wetter, not drier, in the winter."

How inconvenient. But we've been here before. Hurricane Sandy was made the poster child for the alleged increased frequency and strength of "extreme weather events" like hurricanes.

. Nonsense. Sandy wasn't even a hurricane when it hit the U.S. Indeed, in all of 2012, only a single hurricane made U.S. landfall. And 2013 saw the fewest Atlantic hurricanes in 30 years. In fact, in the last half-century, one-third *fewer* major hurricanes have hit the U.S. than in the previous half-century.

Similarly tornadoes. Every time one hits, the climate-change commentary begins. Yet last year saw the fewest in a quarter-century. And the last 30 years — of presumed global warming — has seen a 30 percent *decrease* in extreme tornado activity (F3 and above) versus the previous 30 years.

None of this is dispositive. It doesn't settle the issue. But that's the point. It mocks the very notion of settled science, which is nothing but a crude attempt to silence critics and delegitimize debate. As does the term "denier" — an echo of Holocaust denial, contemptibly suggesting the malevolent rejection of an established historical truth.

Climate-change proponents have made their cause a matter of fealty and faith. For folks who pretend to be brave carriers of the scientific ethic, there's more than a tinge of religion in their jeremiads. If you whore after other gods, the Bible tells us, "the Lord's wrath be kindled against you, and he shut up the heaven, that there be no rain, and that the land yield not her fruit" (Deuteronomy 11).

Sounds like California. Except that today there's a new god, the Earth Mother. And a new set of sins — burning coal and driving a fully equipped F-150.

But whoring is whoring, and the gods must be appeased. So if California burns, you send your high priest (in a carbon-belching Air Force One, but never mind) to the bone-dry land to offer up, on behalf of the repentant congregation, a $1 billion burnt offering called a "climate resilience fund."

Ah, settled science in action.

GUEST COMMENTARY

Nuclear talk brings attention to lack of sites for waste

One nice thing about announcing an "all-of-the-above" energy policy, as the Obama administration has done, is that it requires all of the careful consideration and discernment that a Labrador retriever shows toward food.

If you never met an energy source you didn't love, you can make momentous, multibillion-dollar decisions without concern for inconvenient facts. So Energy Secretary Ernest Moniz showed us this week, when he blithely put the federal government on the hook for $6.5 billion in loan guarantees for a project to build the first two new commercial nuclear plant reactors in 30 years.

Underwriting the construction of nuclear power plants means assuming a worrisome amount of risk for the taxpayers' money — more than Wall Street was comfortable with, in this case — but that's not new. The federal government has historically subsidized and underwritten nuclear projects. And of course nuclear's current rationale of being a carbon-free power source works in its favor. Although it's also ruefully clear that we know a lot more now than we did three decades ago about risk.

Nothing nuclear in the news this week is designed to ease those concerns. The manager of nuclear safety at the troubled, massively contaminated nuclear-waste site at Hanford, Wash., was fired after blowing the whistle on safety problems. A radiation leak has shut the Waste Isolation Pilot Project, a New Mexico storage site for lower-level waste, for the last several days.

And the ongoing, slow-motion horror that is Fukushima produced another ugly headline — the leakage of more than 100 tons of highly contaminated water from one of the site's more than 1,000 storage tanks.

It's bad enough that the surge in renewables and the glut of cheap natural gas make nuclear construction look staggeringly expensive, particularly in an environment where several operators have recently opted to take nuke plants offline rather than repair them or even invest more in their continued operation. But the really reprehensible part of the federal loan guarantee is that it comes from the same administration that has halted any progress toward finding a permanent solution for the storage of spent nuclear fuel, for reasons just as cynically political as the approval itself.

The government's decision to underwrite the Vogtle nuke project in Georgia represents doubling down on a terrifying bet that somehow — no one can say precisely how — we will avoid a disaster of epic proportions involving the thousands of tons of highly radioactive fuel rods filling overcrowded pools at nuclear sites across the country.

When history gets around to considering President Obama's legacy on energy and the environment, the Keystone XL pipeline decision — yea or nay — will pale in comparison to the partisan hack move of shelving the designation of Yucca Mountain, Nev., as a deep geological storage site for spent fuel rods and other high-level waste.

Last year, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia accused the Nuclear Regulatory Commission of "flouting the law" by not completing its assessment of Yucca Mountain. Further, "The president may not decline to follow a statutory mandate or prohibition simply because of policy objections," the court ruled.

Supposedly, the NRC is again working on its assessment of Yucca Mountain.

But it doesn't take a scientific review to understand that before we build new nuclear plants, we should have a place to put the waste they produce, which will be dangerous for the next 160,000 years.

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Sec. Kerry wages a phony war

■ Climate critics have an answer for everything because the facts keep changing

RICH LOWRY

King Features Syndicate

Secretary of State John Kerry is reporting for duty in the war against climate change. In a speech in Jakarta, Indonesia, he declared climate change "another weapon of mass destruction." Indeed, in what might be news to the 50-megaton hydrogen bomb, he declared it "perhaps the world's most fearsome weapon of mass destruction."

If climate change does not consider itself duly warned, it has only itself to blame. John Kerry has proven himself fully capable of supporting hostilities against dangerous enemies of the United States (that he then regrets, and campaigns against — but that's another story).

The Obama administration's latest foray on climate change — clearly setting the predicate for a regulatory offensive on the issue — is notable for its cheap argumentation. The same people who congratulate themselves for taking climate science so seriously trample all over the facts as a matter of routine.

Nothing so annoys the alarmists about climate change nee global warming as when conservatives talk as if a cold snap or snowstorm falsifies the phenomenon. *Weather*, they explain, rolling their eyes, *isn't climate*.

Or that used to be the mantra. Now, every bit of spectacular weather is presumed to be part of the grand mosaic of climate change.

"Some may still deny the overwhelming judgment of science," President Barack Obama intoned in his second inaugural, "but none can avoid the devastating impact of raging fires, and crippling drought, and more powerful storms."

"This isn't something around the corner," Kerry said in his WMD speech. "This is happening now." He cited California, "where millions of people are now experiencing the 13th month of the worst drought the state has seen in 500 years."

This sounds dire, but scientists don't necessarily blame climate change. "I'm pretty sure the severity of this thing is due to natural variability," climate scientist Richard Seager told The New York Times.

California experienced a similar drought in the late 1970s. That event had the same proximate cause as this one, a ridge of high pressure that sat off the California coast and diverted storms to the north. The more the climate changes, evidently, the more it stays the same.

Climate change is endlessly flexible. The California drought is blamed on climate change, even though, as the New York Times report noted, "the most recent computer projections suggest that as the world warms, California should get wetter, not drier, in the winter."

The severe snowfall in the Northeast is vaguely blamed on global warming, even though the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change predicts that spring snow cover will decline in the Northern Hemisphere.

Whether it's hot or cold, dry or wet, rainy or snowy — it's climate change.

The Obama administration's trick is to apply a rhetoric of certainty and immediacy to inherently uncertain, far-off projections. Contrary to Kerry, the latest IPCC report concludes mildly that "there is not enough evidence at present to suggest more than *low confidence* in a global-scale observed trend in drought or dryness (lack of rainfall) since the middle of the 20th century."

The IPCC report's predictions about future effects of warming are over the *next century*. So, for instance, if you assume perfect clairvoyance on the part of the report's authors, it is likely monsoon winds will weaken and monsoon precipitation strengthen ... by 2100.

Recent history counsels more caution rather than more certainty about the scientific consensus on climate change, since global warming has been underperforming during the past 15 years.

Even if Kerry were right in everything he says, he is powerless to do anything about it. Our carbon emissions are essentially flat, while those of China and India are growing at a rapid pace. Those countries aren't going to hinder their economic development — which has done so much to alleviate human misery — in response to a far-off threat of dangerous weather.

John Kerry can man the battle stations, but he will be lonely there and, if this winter is any guide, very cold.

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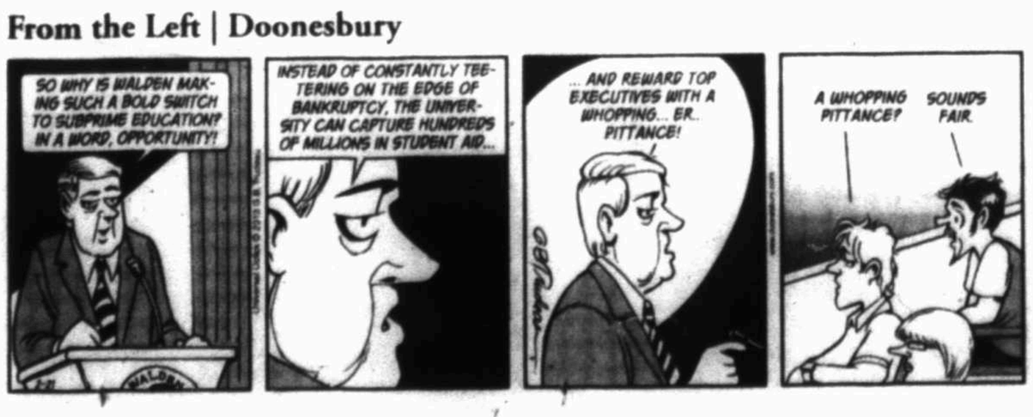

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FROM WIRE REPORTS

Government looks into ATF operations

The Justice Department's inspector general is conducting a four-city examination into storefront undercover operations run by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives to assess whether they pose a danger to the public.

The ATF runs sting operations in various cities, often as part of an effort to catch arms traffickers who bring stolen weapons into storefronts where agents act as buyers.

The IG's office said Thursday it is looking into storefront operations in Milwaukee; Pensacola, Fla.; St. Louis, Mo.; and Wichita, Kan.

IG Michael Horowitz said if his office learns of information that might warrant looking at additional storefront operations, it will consider expanding the review to include them.

The ATF ran a Milwaukee storefront operation intended to bust felons for drug and gun offenses, but the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel reported in January 2013 that no major drug dealers or gang members were taken down. The store was robbed of $35,000 in merchandise, an agent's machine gun was stolen and a document listing undercover agents was left behind.

The ATF store opened in Milwaukee in early 2012 as Fearless Distributing. It offered designer clothes, athletic shoes, jewelry and drug paraphernalia for sale.

Olympic hockey outcome so far: Harper 1, Obama 0

Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper is ready for the icy cold one President Barack Obama promised him.

With their countries facing off in a pair of Olympic hockey games this week, more than just the puck is on the line.

The leaders had wagered a case of beer on each game, a bet they apparently brewed Wednesday while in Toluca, Mexico, for a day of meetings with Mexican President Enrique Pena Nieto. Obama and Harper announced their friendly wager on Thursday over Twitter.

"@pmharper and I bet on the women's and men's US-Canada hockey games. Winner gets a case of beer for each game. #GoTeamUSA!" Obama said in a morning tweet signed "-bo," which is how the White House designates messages sent personally by the president.

About the same time, a message on Harper's official Twitter feed said: "I'm betting @barackobama one case of Canadian beer per hockey game this week. #teamusa is good, but #WeAreWinter. #GoCanadaGo.

Harper was on an airplane returning home from Mexico on Thursday afternoon when he learned that the Canada women's hockey team had defeated the U.S., 3-2, in overtime, to win its fourth straight Olympic gold medal.

He'll receive one of the varieties of beer that are brewed at the White House using honey from the beehive on the South Lawn.

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Obama budget to drop benefit cost-of-living trims

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama will propose an election-year budget that would drop reductions he had previously embraced in federal benefits, officials disclosed Thursday. He also will ask Congress to approve about $56 billion in new or expanded programs, stepping back from aggressive efforts to tackle long-term government deficits and debt.

Obama is scrapping his previous offer to trim cost-of-living increases in Social Security and other benefit programs. That idea had been a central component of his long-term debt-reduction strategy, even though it was considered odious by many Democrats.

The decision amounts to a White House acknowledgement that Obama has been unable to conclude a "grand budget bargain" with GOP leaders, even by proposing a benefit reduction embraced by Republicans and opposed by many in his own party. But it is also a testament to the recently diminished importance of government red ink as a driving political issue amid falling deficits and public exhaustion over threats of federal shutdowns and defaults.

Officials said that some potential spending reductions included in last year's Obama budget had been designed to initiate negotiations with Republicans over how to reduce future deficits and the nation's debt. But Republicans never accepted Obama's calls for higher tax revenue to go along with the cuts. The new budget for fiscal 2015 is to be released March 4.

"The president was willing to step forward and put on the table a concrete proposal," White House spokesman Josh Earnest said. "Unfortunately, Republicans refused to even consider the possibility of raising some revenue by closing some loopholes that benefit only the wealthy and the well-connected."

Republicans promptly portrayed the White House move as abandoning any commitment to fiscal discipline.

"The one and only idea the president has to offer is even more job-destroying tax hikes, and that non-starter won't do anything to save the entitlement programs that are critical to so many Americans," said Brendan Buck, a spokesman for House Speaker John Boehner. "With three years left in office, it seems the president is already throwing in the towel."

Obama's proposal embraces the new, more modest approach to fiscal policy reflected in a recent bipartisan congressional budget agreement. It retains the spending levels agreed to in that budget, but it shifts some specifics. It also proposes closing so-far-unspecified tax loopholes to pay for $56 billion in what the White House calls an "Opportunity, Growth, and Security Initiative." That additional spending would be split evenly between military and domestic programs.

Among those new programs would be proposals to help achieve universal pre-school education, expanded job training programs and a new "Race to the Top" initiative helping states cut energy costs.

The budget also proposes an expansion of the Earned Income Tax Credit, a tax benefit for lower-income workers. The proposal aims to benefit workers without children.

The budget envisions passage of an overhaul of immigration laws, a step that congressional budget analysts say would contribute further to deficit reduction.

As such, the budget serves as a reflection of the White House's aspirations for this year and can serve as a campaigning blueprint for Democrats.

AP file photo

The White House says President Barack Obama's upcoming budget proposal will not include his past offer to accept lowered cost-of-living increases in Social Security and other benefit programs. Those had been a central component of his long-term debt-reduction strategy.

GOP drafting bill to ease flood insurance hikes

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — House GOP leaders are putting the final touches on legislation that would significantly weaken a recently enacted overhaul of the much criticized federal flood insurance program, easing many premium increases and allowing below-market rates to be passed on to people buying homes with taxpayer-subsidized policies.

The new law was enacted in 2012 and was aimed at weaning hundreds of thousands of homeowners off of subsidized rates and required extensive updating of the flood maps used to set premiums, but its implementation has stirred anxiety among many homeowners along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts and in flood plains, many of whom are threatened with unaffordable rate increases.

GOP aides said the measure would also repeal a provision that threatens hundreds of thousands of homeowners with huge premium increases under new and updated government flood maps. Those homeowners currently benefit from below-market rates that are subsidized by other policyholders and the new legislation would preserve their "grandfathered" status. The aides required anonymity because the measure is still being finalized and hasn't been publicly released.

Anger over the higher rates has fueled a bipartisan drive to delay or derail many of the 2012 changes. In response, the Senate last month took a different approach, passing a bill to delay the changes, which were aimed at putting the flood insurance program on sound financial footing. The flood program is presently $24 billion in the red, mostly because of huge losses from Hurricane Katrina and Superstorm Sandy.

The measure is expected to be released today, and a vote is likely next week.

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WASHINGTON

Accident rates improving for older drivers

WASHINGTON — Safety researchers expressed concern a decade ago that traffic accidents would increase as the nation's aging population swelled the number of older drivers on the road. Now, they say they've been proved wrong.

Today's drivers aged 70 and older are less likely to be involved in crashes than previous generations and are less likely to be killed or seriously injured if they do crash, according to a study released Thursday by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

That's because vehicles are getting safer and seniors are generally getting healthier, the institute said.

The marked shift began taking hold in the mid-1990s and indicates that growing ranks of aging drivers as baby boomers head into their retirement years aren't making U.S. roads deadlier.

Traffic fatalities overall in the U.S. have declined to levels not seen since the late 1940s, and accident rates have come down for other drivers, as well. But since 1997, older drivers have enjoyed bigger declines as measured by both fatal crash rates per driver and per vehicle miles driven than middle-age drivers, defined in the study as ages 35 to 54.

From 1997 to 2012, fatal crash rates per licensed driver fell 42 percent for older drivers and 30 percent for middle-age ones, the study found. Looking at vehicle miles traveled, fatal crash rates fell 39 percent for older drivers and 26 percent for middle-age ones from 1995 to 2008.

The greatest rate of decline was among drivers age 80 and over, nearly twice that of middle-age drivers and drivers ages 70 to 74.

"This should help ease fears that aging baby boomers are a safety threat," said Anne McCartt, the institute's senior vice president for research and co-author of the study.

"No matter how we looked at the fatal crash data for this age group — by licensed drivers or miles driven — the fatal crash involvement rates for drivers 70 and older declined, and did so at a faster pace than the rates for drivers ages 35 to 54," she said in a report on the study's results.

At the same time, older drivers are putting more miles on the odometer than they used to, although they're still driving fewer miles a year than middle-aged drivers. This is especially true for drivers 75 and older, who lifted their average annual mileage by more than 50 percent from 1995 to 2008.

"The fact that older drivers increased their average mileage ... may indicate that they are remaining physically and mentally comfortable with driving tasks," the institute said. When older drivers reduce the number of trips they take, it's often because they sense their driving skills are eroding. They compensate by driving less at night, during rush hour, in bad weather or over long distances.

By 2050, the number of people in the U.S. age 70 and older is expected to reach 64 million, or about 16 percent of the population. In 2012, there were 29 million people in the U.S. age 70 and over, or 9 percent of the population.

LOS ANGELES

WWE shopping 'Raw,' 'Smackdown' and other TV properties

Some of television's biggest properties are up for grabs.

The WWE is shopping "Smackdown," "Raw" and "Total Divas" after failing to come to terms on a new contract with NBCUniversal, whose cable networks are home to the bulk of WWE content.

That doesn't mean that those shows will definitely be moving. Although NBCUniversal's exclusive negotiating window with the WWE expired over the weekend, it still has the right to match any competing offer.

However, NBCUniversal and WWE are far apart on a price. WWE is looking for a dramatic increase in rights fees and has retained Chris Bevilacqua, head of media advisory firm Bevilacqua Helfant Ventures, to negotiate its deal.

"We look forward to engaging with potential partners who recognize the value of having the No. 1 show on cable and live content delivered 52 weeks a year," WWE said in a statement.

Although neither NBCUniversal nor the WWE would comment on their negotiations, in its marketing materials the WWE compares its audience to NASCAR, which recently signed a 10-year, $8.2 billion deal with Fox and NBC.

"Raw," which airs on USA, typically averages almost 5 million viewers. "Smackdown," which is carried by Syfy, has an average audience of 3.2 million.

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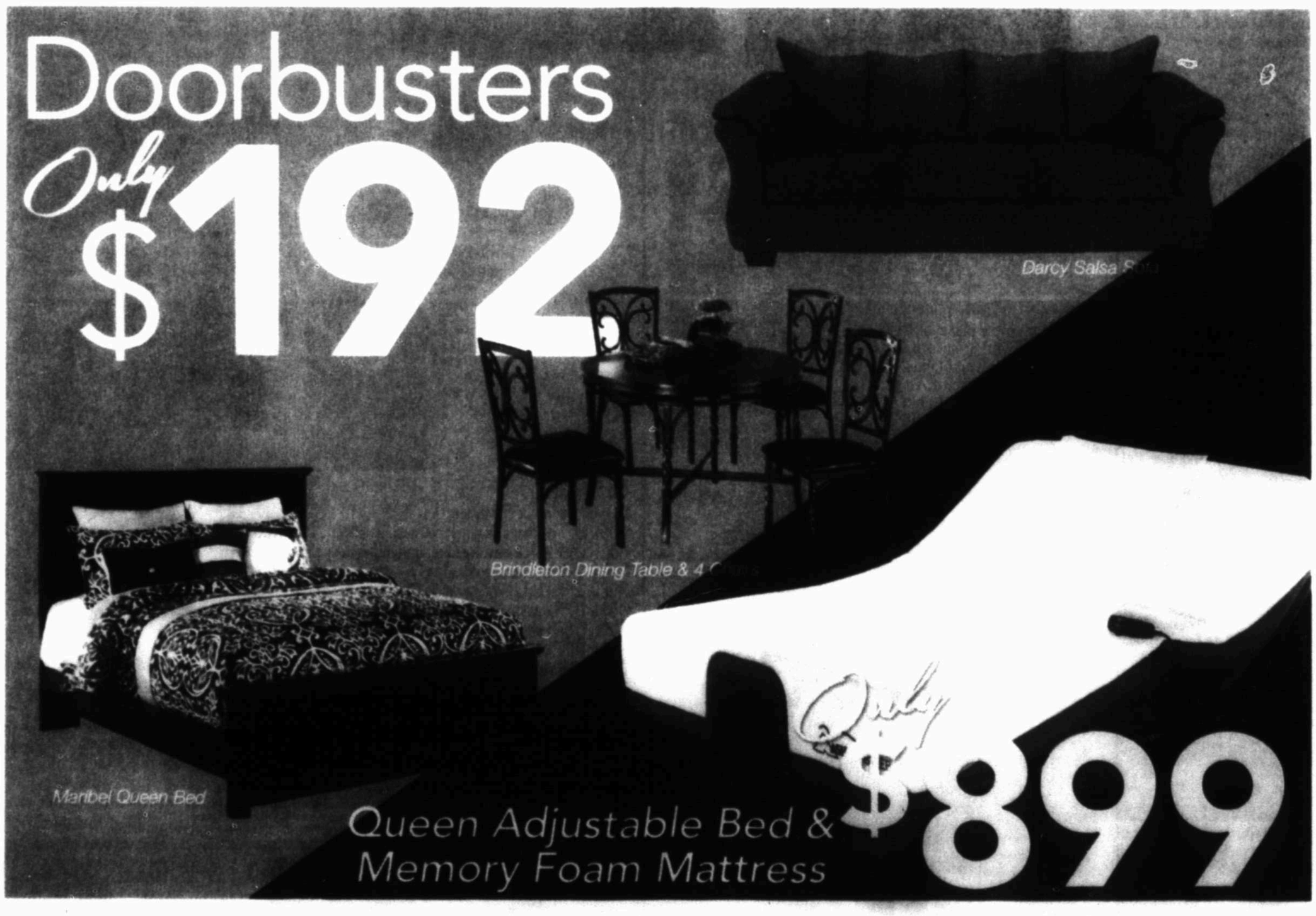

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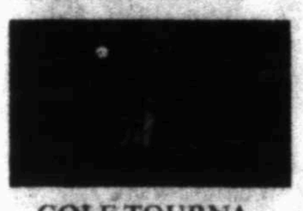
PANCAKE BREAKFAST Downtown Lions Club will hosts its annual pancake breakfast Saturday.

COMING SOON

FIRST FRIDAYS Holly Tucker will perform at First Baptist Church in March.



GOLF TOURNAMENT Church Under the Bridge Inaugural Golf Tournament, March 29 at Nueva Vista Golf Course. cutbmidland.org

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GOOD NEIGHBORS

SPARE CHANGE Reporter-Telegram Managing Editor Mary Dearen is collecting change she finds on her daily walks. This year, Dearen is raising funds for SHARE — Sharing Hands: A Respite Experience, a local nonprofit that supports parents of kids with special needs. She plans to participate in the fourth annual Autism SHARE Walk, which is April 26 at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

Anyone who would like to add to Dearen's collection of change can contact her at 687-8852 or mdearen@mrt.com.

FOOD CONNECTION DAY Midland County Farm Bureau is celebrating Food Connection Day from noon-3 p.m. Tuesday by offering free burgers to anyone who brings a non-perishable food item or cash donation to the bureau's new location, 3315 Andrews Highway. Donations benefit Midland Baptist Crisis Center.

IN NEED

PRISON MINISTRY The local group from Kairos Prison Ministry that works at the Lynaugh Unit in Fort Stockton is in need of volunteers. Training begins March 1 for the May 1-4 Kairos event. Call James Bell at 214-228-4280 or go to kairosftstockton.org.

HABITAT HOUSE Midland Habitat for Humanity is accepting applications for the homeownership program through March 3. Applications can be picked up at the Midland Habitat for Humanity office at 305. E. Texas Ave. from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

LOOKING FOR LAND Church Under the Bridge is looking for a lot for sale just south of the railroad tracks near the Salvation Army and Main Street. For more information, go to churchunderthebridgemidland.org.

KIDS FIRST Centers for Children and Families is in need of volunteers for its Kids First program, a supervised visitation and exchange program for conflicted families. For more information, call 570-1084 or visit centerstx.org.

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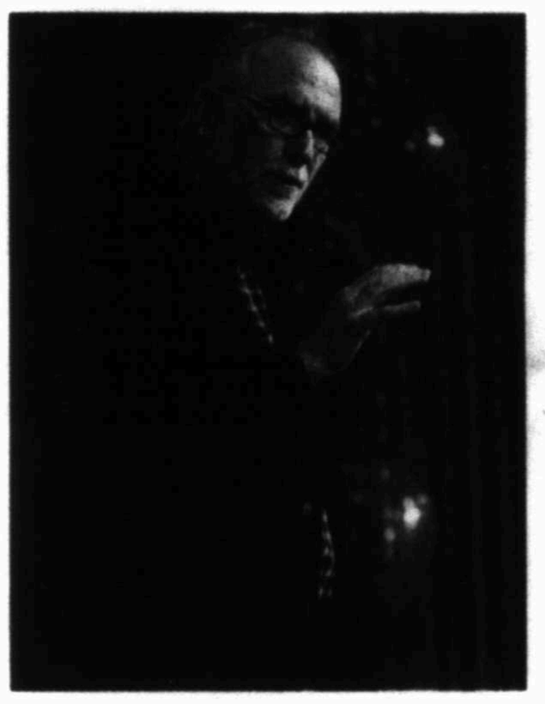

ABOVE U.S. Rep. Mike Conaway leads prayers for the country Wednesday at the Midland Prayer Breakfast.

FAR LEFT Attorney and author Bob Goff speaks Wednesday at the Midland Prayer Breakfast.

LEFT Judge Robin Darr says prayers for the community as she and other leaders speak Wednesday at the Midland Prayer Breakfast.

Photos by Tim Fischer Reporter-Telegram

New Catholic priest from India dedicates life to serving needy

By Ragini Venkatasubban
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His flock call him "Father Swamy." His real name is the Rev. Arogya Swamy Lakkineni, and he's the new priest at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish and Shrine.

Raised in Itukulapadu, a tiny town in the state of Andhra Pradesh in India, Lakkineni grew up in a devout Catholic family of four sons and five daughters. His mother tongue is Telugu, and he also speaks English and a little bit of Spanish. While studying for his bachelor's degree in economics in India, his local pastor asked him to join the seminary.

"I said no," Lakkineni said with a laugh. But after some thinking, he decided to dedicate his life to the church. He was ordained in the Diocese of Kadapa in India nearly 14 years ago. He is the first in his family to become a priest.

Since being ordained, Lakkineni has worked in India and Illinois

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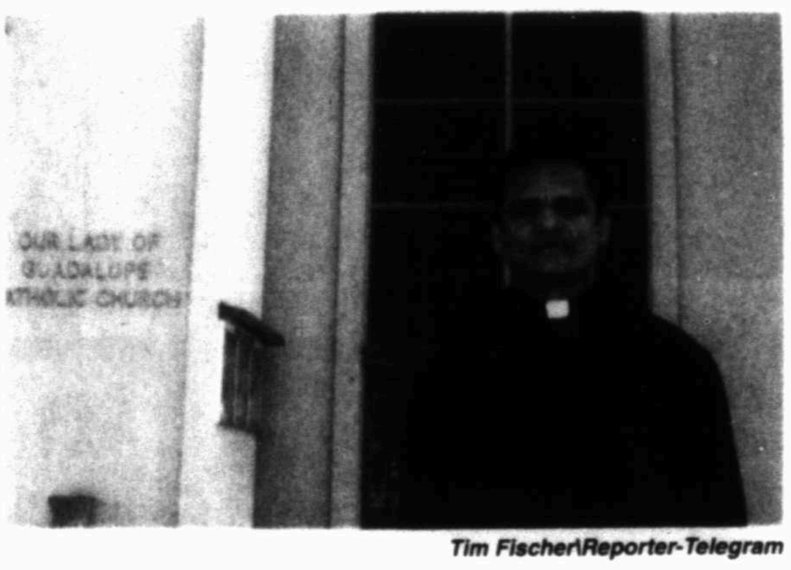

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Father Arogya Swamy Lakkineni, "Father Swamy," is the new priest at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church.

'Crazy Hair Tour' aims to teach modesty, purity to pre-teen girls

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Second Corinthians 5:13 of the Bible reads, "If I acted crazy, I did it for God."

This is the inspiration behind the Crazy Hair Tour, a nationwide event by the Secret Keeper Girl series that promotes modesty, purity and inner beauty in pre-teen girls. Held in about 80 cities around the U.S. this year, the show will visit the Permian Basin at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Mid-Cities Church, 8700 State Highway 191.

Tickets are $15 in advance, $20 at the door and $13 for groups of 10 people or more. For more information or to buy tickets, visit www.midcities.org.

The show is billed as a Bible-based relationship-building experience between pre-teen girls ages 8-12 and their mentors, whether that be a mother, father, grandparent or teacher. The 2 1/2 hour event features a modesty-focused fashion show, balloon sculptures, bouncing beach ball competitions, confetti cannons and mother-daughter conversation time.

Suzy Weibel, lead teacher for the tour, described the show as "loud" and "crazy" but said it also incorporates live worship, Bible teaching and quiet, intimate times between girls and their mentors.

"Our key verse is 2 Corinthians 5:13, 'If I acted

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Q&A WITH SUZY WEIBEL

lead teacher for the Secret Keeper Girl tours

Q. How do you define modesty?

It's not always about the clothes you wear, Weibel said.

"All statements that we make about modesty, we base on the heart," she said. "It's not a list of rules. ... It's not about, 'You can't wear this; you can't wear that.' It's kind of about knowing your heart and knowing your body type. In other words, I love crop tops. My body is built for the crop top. But when I wear one, I'm going to layer, because I'm not going to be walking around saying, 'Check this out.'"

Q. In your opinion, who are some good celebrity role models for girls today?

As soon as you put somebody on that pedestal, you're inviting a fall, Weibel said. In the past, she would have cited Miley Cyrus as a great role

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'Stuck' film highlights problems in international adoption

■ Film screening to be held in Midland with special guest Craig Juntunen

By Ragini Venkatasubban
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When Luke Morrow was adopting his son from Ethiopia, the mountains of paperwork and political turmoil stretched his waiting time to more than 18 months.

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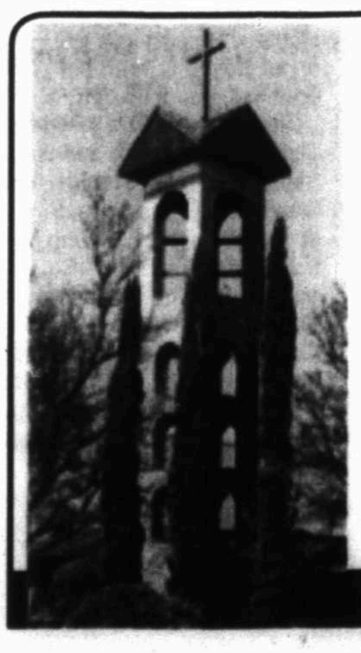

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Obituaries

Brandon Hunnicutt

Brandon Hunnicutt, 35, residing in Midland, passed suddenly around 9:00 a.m. February 18, 2014. Brandon was born October 31, 1978 in Seminole, Texas to Mitchel and Pam Hunnicutt. He graduated from Greenwood High School in 1997. He Married Alyssa Motley on July 23, 2011 in New Braunfels, Texas.

Brandon was raised in the Midland Greenwood community from age seven and throughout his life. He was heavily involved in various athletic endeavors during his time at Greenwood, including football, basketball, and track. He was widely considered as an intense and impressive athlete and a friend to his fellow classmates.

He saw astounding success as a salesman with Charles Terry Construction. He will be missed by a great number of contractors who earned daily as a result of Brandon's unrelenting dedication.

He enjoyed traveling and spending time with family and friends. He was also involved in the interests of his niece and nephew, which included livestock and athletics. Brandon touched thousands during his time, providing construction services to his customers in the Midland/Odessa and surrounding communities. Those closest to Brandon described him as "living to the fullest, and leaving happy and uplifting thoughts to those who experienced his love of life."

He is survived by his wife Alyssa; his 14-month-old son, Blaze Lee; his unborn daughter Haylee Rene; father and mother, Mitchel and Pam Hunnicutt; brother-in-law and sister J.D. and Kim Cramer; niece Makenzie and nephew Cade; grandfather and grandmother, Roy and Modell Hunnicutt; grandfather, Larry Welcher; mother-in-law and father-in-law, Lee and Lisa Motley; and brothers-in-law, Trey and Mike Motley.

A viewing will take place tonight from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home.

A Funeral Service will be held Saturday, February 22, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at Greenwood First Baptist Church. Interment will follow to Serenity Memorial Gardens.

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

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

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Floyd W. Anderson

Services are scheduled at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 22, at First Baptist Church for Floyd W. Anderson of Artesia, New Mexico. Rick Sullivan will officiate at the services with burial at Woodbine Cemetery.

Mr. Anderson, 74, died Wednesday, February 19, 2014 at his home.

Visitation will be at Terpening & Son Mortuary, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Thursday.

Floyd was born March 9, 1939 in Pasadena, Texas, the son of William Henry Anderson Jr. and Edna Elizabeth (Johnson) Jr. He came to Artesia in 1958 from Imperial, Texas.

On July 12, 1959 he was married to Jeanne Starkey in Loco Hills, New Mexico.

He was a pumper for MYCO Industries, a member of First Baptist Church, a Deacon, and loved his grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Survivors include his wife, Jeanne Anderson of Artesia; son, Mike Anderson and wife Tammy of Artesia; daughter, Marla Schneider and husband Hondo of Midland, Texas; sister, Barbara Day of Kermit, Texas; four grandchildren, Jessica Schneider of Lubbock, Texas, Brandt Schneider of Midland, Dusty Anderson of Pullman, Washington, and Ty Anderson of Las Cruces, New Mexico; and by several nieces and nephews.

Membrial contributions may be made to Gentiva Hospice, 400 N. Pennsylvania, Ste. 500, Roswell, New Mexico 88201, Cowboys for Cancer, P.O. Box 202 Dona Ana, New Mexico 88032, or to the charity of choice.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Terpening & Son Mortuary. Please express condolences at *www.artesiafunerals.com*.

James "Jim" Willard Hearn

James "Jim" Willard Hearn was born November 15, 1932 in Bradley, Arkansas to Arlene Straight Hearn and Howard Woody Hearn. He went to be with his Lord on February 19, 2014.

Jim is survived by his wife of 34 years, Lora Ann Hearn, of Midland. He has five children, Debbie and Gary Elander of Midland, Caren Copeland of Midland, Craig and Cindy Copeland of Abilene, Steve and Dori Hearn of Katy, and Paul and Beverly Hearn of Midland.

He was Grandpa to 10 loving grandchildren, Garrett (Avery) Elander, Haley Elander, Ryan Copeland, Chad Copeland, Katie Pagett, Douglas Pagett, Mark Pagett, Zach Hearn, Noah Hearn, and Tara Cottrell. He is also survived by his sister-in-law, Sue Hearn of Kilgore; nephew, Woody and Kathy Hearn of Texarkana; and niece, Wendy and Scott Richey of Kilgore.

His parents and his favorite brother, Bobby Wayne Hearn, predecease him.

James joined the US Navy at the age of 17 and served in the Korean War. He was employed with HL Hunt, and later, Dowell, living in Texas, Alaska and Venezuela. He was in business with his two buddies, Jim Evans and Gerald Burnett. He started Pluggers, Inc., later selling it to PP before starting employment there. He was a long time member of Kelview Heights Baptist Church and a member of Masonic Lodge in Andrews for over 50 years.

The family would like to thank Hospice Midland and Christy and Rosie for all of their special care. Memorial contributions can be made to Hospice Midland, 911 W. Texas, Midland, Texas 79701.

A visitation for Jim will be held on Friday, February 21, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Services will be on Saturday, February 22, 2014 at 2:00pm at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

Online condolences may be made at *www.npwelch.com*.

Jane Bale Woodside

Jane was born to Frances (Cole) Bale and Henry Bale on October 17, 1949 in Crane, Texas. She passed away peacefully at home on February 17, 2014, surrounded by friends and family.

She attended Crane schools and graduated from Crane High School. She received a B.A. from Angelo State University and an M.A. from Texas State University in San Marcos, Texas. Jane married Wayne (Woody) Woodside in Midland in 1998.

Jane taught in several school districts in Texas for more than 30 years, the last being Midland ISD. She taught at Lee High School, Midland High School, and Coleman High School. Jane loved her students and they loved her. She was a wonderfully positive influence on so many young lives. Her legacy with her students lives on.

Jane loved her pug dogs beyond all reason. Many of her show pugs won national awards and competed at Westminster. She bred champions and grand champions and was recognized as an American Kennel Club Breeder of Merit. One of her dogs was featured in National Geographic in 2011. Everywhere Jane went, so went her herd of pugs.

She is survived by her husband, Wayne (Woody); a cousin, Charles Watkins of Phoenix, Arizona and his wife Carol; stepdaughter, Cindy and husband Ruben Madrid; step-grandchildren, Alysia, Katelyn, Michael and Danielle Madrid; and by her stepdaughter, Shannon and her son Robert "Rocky" Hoffman. Jane is also survived by many cousins and friends.

Rosary will be at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, February 21 and mass will be at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 22, officiated by Monsignor Larry Droll of St. Ann's. Both services will be held at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland. Burial will follow at Crane County Cemetery, Crane, Texas at 2:00 p.m., Saturday.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

Online condolences can be made at *www.npwelch.com*.

John Ronald Fisco

John Ronald Fisco, 62, of Midland, Texas passed away on February 19, 2014.

John was born in Boston, Massachusetts on November 29, 1951. He graduated from Franklin High School in Franklin, Wisconsin. He received an undergraduate degree in Geology from the University of Wisconsin in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. John also received a Master's Degree from the University of Southwestern Louisiana (USL) in Lafayette, Louisiana.

He married Yvonne Vidrine on June 7, 1980 in Washington, LA. They have been married for 33 years.

John, a Licensed Professional Geologist, worked for TXO in Midland, Texas. In 1992, he founded his own oil and gas company, High Plains Exploration. He later founded Fisco Minerals.

John was an AAPG Certified Petroleum Geologist, a member of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG), a member of the West Texas Geological Society (WTGS), and also a member of the Society for Sedimentary Geology (SEPM).

He enjoyed gem and mineral collecting, fishing, hiking, and passionately sharing his knowledge of the geological formations of the earth. John was an avid Green Bay Packers fan. He was a devoted volunteer at St. Ann's Catholic School, Summer Mummers, Midland Community Theater (MCT), and the Midland High School Band. John loved spending time with his family, friends and pets.

He is preceded in death by his father, Ronald John Fisco and his beloved grandparents. John is survived by his wife, Yvonne Vidrine Fisco; daughter, Stefanie Rose Fisco and husband Evan Paul Langlinais, and daughter, Michelle Marie Fisco; mother, Catherine Fisco Kluever; brothers, Joe Fisco and wife Cathy Fisco, Steve Fisco and wife Jan Fisco, Michael Fisco and wife Abby Fisco; sisters Annette Holtz and husband Dave Holtz, Jeannine Kawczynski and husband Rick Kawczynski, Christine Mather and husband Scott Mather; godparents John Ciulla and wife Lena Ciulla; and by numerous uncles, aunts, nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given to the SPCA (of your choice), St. Ann's Altars Society Memorial Fund (1906 W. Texas Ave. Midland, TX 79701), or Change a Child's Life in India (Rev. Yesuratnam, St. Charles Church, 802 S. Main, Eden, TX 76837.)

A memorial Mass will be held on Saturday February 22, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Ann's Catholic Church. A future service will be at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Washington, Louisiana and a final service and burial in Franklin, Wisconsin.

Online condolences may be placed at *www.ellisfunerals.com*.

Services are entrusted with Ellis Funeral Home.

Ellis Funeral Home
Funerals & Cremations
Dignity
801 Andrews Hwy.
(432) 683-5555

Marshall C. Louder

Marshall C. Louder, 88, of Tarzan, died on Wednesday, February 19, 2014, at Manor Park in Midland. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, February 22, 2014 at the First Baptist Church of Stanton. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Friday evening at the Gilbreath Funeral Home in Stanton.

Born January 24, 1926, Marshall was the son of the late Raymond and Mattie (Marshall) Louder. He grew up in the Courtney Community, where he graduated high school. He attended Howard Payne University and served in the United States Army in the Pacific Theater in the Philippine Islands during World War II.

He married Wanda Sprawls November 18, 1946 in Lamesa. She preceded him in death July 27, 1992. He later married Dollie Swanson August 7, 1993 who also preceded him in death August 18, 2005.

Marshall farmed in Martin County all of his life. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Tarzan and was the Treasurer and Adult Sunday School Teacher there for 58 years. He was also a Mason for 55 years. Marshall served as trustee on the Grady ISD School Board. His greatest love was watching his grandkids grow up and compete in their activities. He was competing right along with them from the stands.

He is survived by one son, Johnny Louder and wife, Sandy; one daughter, Teresa Herm and husband, Steve; and one brother, Billy Louder, all of Stanton.

Also surviving are four grandsons, Shane Louder and wife, Billye of Midland, Jeremy Louder and wife, Amanda of Midland, Jody Louder and wife, Jessica of Stanton, and Kyle Herm and wife, Lezlie of The Woodlands; one granddaughter, Laura Jordan, and husband Dustin of Lubbock; 10 great grandchildren, Landry, Reese, Aiden, Braxton, Price and Alexis Louder, Kelan and Kyler Jordan, and Sloane and Lane Herm.

Marshall is also survived by his wife Dollie's family, Donna Stephenson of Midland, and her family; Johnny Swanson and wife, Coco of Corpus Christi and their family; and Jackie Swanson and wife, Stella of Midland and their family.

In addition to his parents and wives, Marshall was also preceded in death by an infant daughter, Cecilia Leigh Louder.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Buckner's Children's Home, 129 Brentwood Ave., Lubbock, Texas 79416, or to the charity of one's choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home of Stanton.

Online condolences may be made to the family at *www.npwelch.com*.

Mrs. Ernest W. "Billie" Smith

Mrs. Ernest W. "Billie" Smith, 83, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, February 19, 2014 in a local nursing home. Graveside funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday at Mt. Olive Memorial Park with Greg Surles, officiating.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Friday at the funeral home.

She was born September 11, 1930 in Big Spring, Texas and married Ernest W. Smith on January 9, 1953 in Hobbs, New Mexico. He preceded her in death November 4, 1997.

Mrs. Smith was a member of Howard County pioneer family, George Bell. She graduated Valedictorian from Big Spring High School in 1946 and had been inducted into the BSHS Hall of Fame. She attended Texas Women's College in Denton. She worked for the phone company and electric company before marrying.

Her husband, Ernest, was in the United States Air Force and they lived in Europe while in the service and returned to Big Spring in 1969. She then worked for Corbell Electric from 1971 to 1985. She was a member of Birdwell Lane Church of Christ and was active in the ladies group. She also volunteered for hospice and enjoyed traveling with her children and grandchildren.

Survivors include one son, David Glenn Smith and wife, Shawna of Big Spring; four daughters, Brenda Kay Snyder and husband, Vern of Cambridge City, Indiana, Lana Lee Brewer and husband, Don of Big Spring, Sandra Gail Alexander of Abilene and Teresa J. Smith of Big Spring; nine grandchildren, Donya Smith and husband, Bucky of Midland, Dondi Thomas and husband, Ryan of Rockwall, Heather Diffee and husband Eric of Big Spring, Brody Smith of Odessa, Tamara Alexander of Keller, Cameron Alexander and wife, Kristen of North Liberty, Iowa, Damien Daniels of Abilene, Jarred Smith of Big Spring and Wayne Snyder and wife, Lisa of McKinney; and by 12 great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, Joe and Mabel Bell Watkins; and by a brother, Wesley Pearce.

The family suggests memorials to Birdwell Lane Church of Christ Missions Fund, P. O. Box 2094, Big Spring, Texas 79721-2094.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Online condolences may be made at *www.npwelch.com*.

Reba Irene Ellis

Reba Irene Ellis, "Gran," went home Saturday, February 15, 2014 to be with her Savior Lord Jesus Christ.

Mother/Grandmother/Gran was born August 16,1935 in Columbus, Louisiana. She moved to Midland with her husband and 11 children.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Leroy Ellis, Sr.; three daughters, Barbara Brackens, Gerline Washington, and Ester LaVerne Ellis; one son, Leroy Ellis, Jr.; and by her two brothers and seven sisters.

She is survived by six children, Rose Burditt and family, Peggy Lee and family, Anita Graves and family, Craig Ellis, all of Midland, Texas, Mike Ellis of White City, Oregon, Roger Ellis of Miami, Florida, and Corey Ellis and family of Joplin, Missouri; and by 36 grandchildren and many great, great grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Rose Burditt at 1603 E. Magnolia, Midland, Texas 79705.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, February 21, 2012 at American Heritage Cemetery & Funeral Home, with fellowship to follow at Greater St Luke AME at 401 S. Adams, Midland, Texas.

Ruth A. Wright

Ruth A. Wright, 90, passed away on Thursday, February 20, 2014 in San Antonio, Texas. She was born December 31, 1923 in Higdon, Arkansas to parents Chester and Mayme Allison. She married Thomas Ladell Wright in May, 1945 and lived in Midland, Texas where, together, they were members of Kellview Baptist Church.

Ruth spent many years as a department manager with Sears. Her fondest memories were of the many family gatherings in Arkansas during holidays and summer vacations.

Ruth was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and a sister, Imo Tedder.

She is survived by her son, John B. Wright and his wife, Jodell; grandsons, Bradley Wright and Joel Wright all of San Antonio, Texas; brothers, J.H. Allison and his wife, Helen and Harold Allison and his wife, Lenora of Morrilton, Arkansas; her sister, Martha Stroman and husband, Bill of Bartlett, Tennessee; as well as by numerous nieces and nephews.

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The family wishes to thank the nurses, chaplain and social workers of Odyssey Hospice.

The graveside service will be held on Tuesday, February 25, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Camp C.A.M.P., Children's Association for Maximum Potential, P.O. Box 27086, San Antonio, Texas 78227.

You are invited to sign the guestbook at *www.porterloring.com*. Arrangements with the Porter Loring Mortuary North, 2102 North Loop 1604 East, San Antonio, TX 78232.

Death Notices

Ermagene Johnson

Ermagene Johnson, of Midland, Texas, passed away Wednesday, February 19, 2014.

A graveside service will be held at Resthaven Memorial Park, Friday, February 21, 2014, at 2:00 p.m.

Furman G. (Bob) Mundy

Furman G. (Bob) Mundy, 92, died Tuesday February 18, 2014.

He is survived by a son, Rick Mundy; daughters, Suzanne Mundy, Lori Hamilton-Smith, and Patricia Mundy-Nguyen; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Oleta Merrick Greaves

Oleta Merrick Greaves, 86, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, February 19, 2014.

She leaves behind four children, Alice Barrow, Linda Greaves, Donna Thomas, and Jack Randal; eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; and by other family members.

Visitation will be held on Friday, February 21, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at McNett Funeral Home in Andrews. Funeral services will be 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 22, 2014 at McNett Funeral Home Chapel in Andrews. Burial will be in Andrews Old Cemetery.

Patsy Lynne Norwood

Patsy Lynne Norwood is survived by her husband, Donnie Norwood; daughter, Crystal McLane; son, Steve Norwood; four grandchildren; and by other family members.

Services are to be held at First Christian Church, 601 N. Lee, at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, February 22, 2014.

Raymond "Ray" Hofman

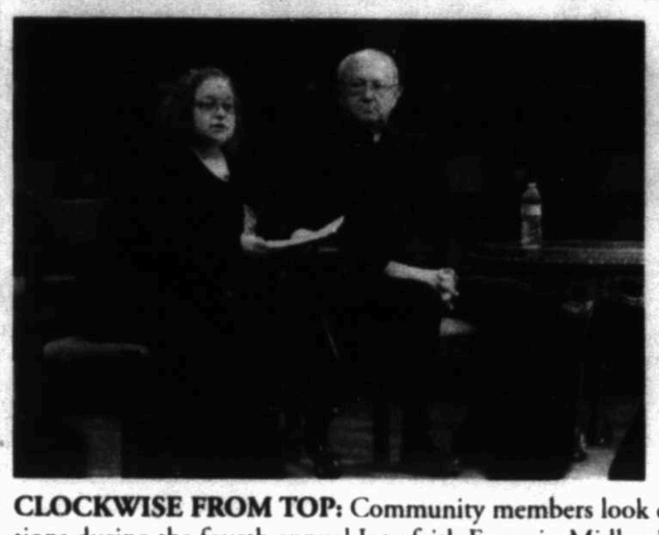
Raymond "Ray" Hofman, 38, died Tuesday, February 18, 2014.

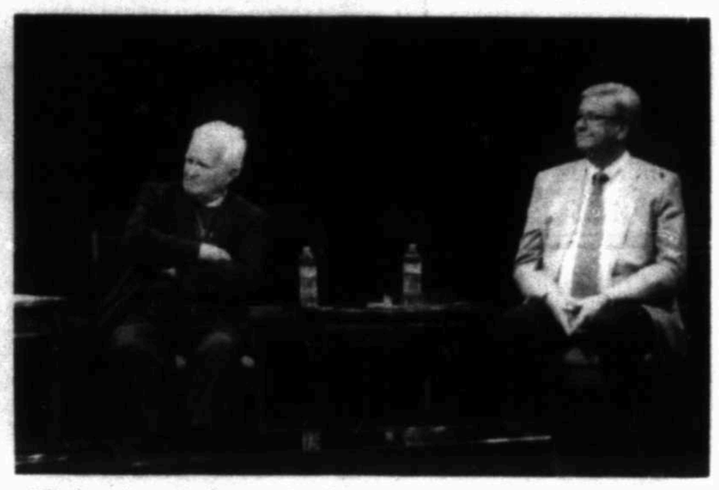
Visitation will be held from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Sunday, February 23, 2014 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland. Graveside services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Monday, February 24, 2014 at Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland.

Memorial services will be held at 1:30 p.m., Monday, February 24, 2014 at Stonegate Fellowship in Midland.

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

DIFFERENT FAITHS DISCUSSED





CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: Community members look on Wednesday as religious leaders take turns answering questions during the fourth annual Interfaith Event in Midland. From left, Retired Bishop Sam Hulsey, of Episcopal Diocese of Northwest Texas, and the Rev. Randel Everett, of First Baptist Church, take turns answering questions. From left, Rabbi Holly Cohn, of Temple Beth El in Odessa, and Monsignor Larry Droll, of St. Ann's Catholic Church, take turns answering questions.

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Q&A

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model for girls.

"I really hesitate to offer a name because I've seen, over and over again, the pedestal collapse," she said.

Instead of looking to music, movies and pop culture for role models, Weibel encouraged girls to seek out female figures in history, politics, science, literature and everyday heroic activities.

Q. What advice would you give to parents about sharing stories of their past mistakes with their children?

Children hear about the mistakes their parents made in the past and look at it as, "You made those mistakes, but you turned out fine."

If you go

SECRET KEEPER GIRL'S CRAZY HAIR TOUR
6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 25
Mid-Cities Church, 8700 State Highway 191
Tickets: $15 in advance, $20 at the door, $13 for groups of 10 people or more
For more information or to purchase tickets, visit www.midcities.org.

Weibel said. She encouraged parents to keep talking to their children and be transparent.

"It can't just be a set of rules," she said. "You have to talk about your pain and your regret."

Q. What responses do you get from girls after the show?

The show is set up to open lines of communication between preteen girls and their mentors, Weibel said. They've received emails from girls with a positive response, she said.

Q. Do morals such as modesty and self-respect need to be tied to religion?

"I think modesty struggles to exist outside of the bounds of faith because I think the first thing that has to be in place for modesty is to know that we're OK, to know that we're loved, to know that we have worth," Weibel said. "What we tell the girls is that your worth comes from the fact that your creator made you."

Q. What about girls from religions other than Christianity?

"I don't come from a universal background where I would say that all faiths are the same," Weibel said. "I really believe that worth is tied up in being created by the creator, and I guess some other faiths as well are monotheistic, so for me, it all comes back to Jesus, and it kind of stops there. But I would tell any human being that I met that they have more worth and more value than they imagined. Any girl who's in our audience, no matter what her faith orientation or no matter what kind of orientation she has, period, I would tell her she's loved and she has worth."

TOUR

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crazy, I did it for God,'" she said. "It's just kind of the idea that the way we choose to conduct ourselves is going to be seen as crazy by the world, but that's OK, because when we look at what is considered normal, that's not necessarily healthy. It's OK to make choices and act in ways that aren't normal."

Secret Keeper Girl is a series of tours developed by Christian author Dannah Gresh, who advocates for a conservative view of sexuality in American culture. The four tours that have been held so far aim to teach pre-teen girls to embrace modesty, purity and true beauty.

FILM

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of international adoption, Morrow and his wife, Lori, will host a showing of "Stuck," a documentary highlighting the plight of orphans around the world plagued by a broken adoption system.

The showing will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Yucca Theatre, 208 N. Colorado St. Admission is free. Sponsorships are available in amounts of $1,000, $2,500, $5,000 and $10,000 that include a pre-party, drink tickets and private tables for four to 16 people. To sponsor, contact Morrow at 563-0447 or 425-9110.

The film is produced by Both Ends Burning, a nonprofit orphan advocacy organization. Morrow serves on the board of directors. The nonprofit's main aim is sponsoring adoption reform legislation through the Children in Families First Act (CHIFF), a bill that, if passed, would streamline the international

If you go

"STUCK" — A DOCUMENTARY ABOUT THE STRUGGLES OF INTERNATIONAL ADOPTION
7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 27
Yucca Theatre, 208 N. Colorado St.
Cost: Free
Sponsorships available in amounts of $1,000, $2,500, $5,000 and $10,000 — includes pre-party, drink tickets and private seating at tables for four to 16 people

adoption process.

All proceeds from the showing will benefit Both Ends Burning.

The main problems in international adoption are the lengthy waits and delays because of political turmoil, Morrow said.

"There's of course a time constraint; it takes a while," he said. "It's also expensive, because you end up filling out the same stuff over and over again and have to get everything translated into a different language. It's really frustrating and a long process when it really doesn't need to be."

The film follows four children from three different countries on their voyages from orphanages to their new homes in the U.S.

"There are families that are 'stuck,' and that's what the film talks about, where you work on adopting a child to get matched up and then, all of a sudden, something political happens and you're stuck," Morrow said.

Craig Juntunen, founder of Both Ends Burning and executive producer of "Stuck," will be the special guest at the showing in Midland. He and his wife have adopted three children from Haiti and have experienced the struggles of international adoption firsthand.

The "honorary host" of the evening is First Presbyterian Church, Morrow said.

PRIEST

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before moving to West Texas. He came to Midland in January from St. Mary's Parish in San Angelo.

Serving the needy is nothing new to Lakkineni, who described the society he worked with in India as "very poor and needing help." One of his main services in all the dioceses he's worked in is visiting people in homes or hospitals who are too ill to come to church.

It's no surprise, then, that his favorite Bible verse is, "Love your neighbor as yourself."

"Being a priest is good to serve the people, to preach the word of God to the people," Lakkineni said. "It's a good service."

In Midland, Lakkineni's main duties are to celebrate the Mass, perform weddings and funerals, visit hospitals, hear confession and counsel parishioners. He said he enjoys working with people of different cultures, which is the reason he came to West Texas. His bishop in India had worked here and requested for him to come and serve the people here.

Though he said he often misses India, Lakkineni visits about once a year. He keeps busy in his spare time by reading. One of his favorite authors is Rabindranath Tagore, the famous Indian poet, artist and composer.

Lakkineni replaces the Rev. Bhaskar Mendem, who was reassigned to St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Brady, said church receptionist Sylvia Lopez.

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Msgr. Larry Droll and Catholic Relief Services invite you to:
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6:30pm
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Midland, TX 79701
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FRIDAY PRIME TIME — FEBRUARY 21, 2014

For Complete Information Please Check Movie Listings

						6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Shark Tank (N)		20/20		KMID News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) News Nightline	
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	7 News at 6	Ent. Tonight	Blue Bloods "The Bitter End"		Blue Bloods "This Way Out"		Blue Bloods "Unwritten Rules"		CBS 7 News	(:05) David Letterman	(:35) Late Late	
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Sein. "The Fatigues"	Rules "Bag Ladies"	Whose Line Is It?	Whose Line Is It?	The Originals		Rules of Engage.	Sein. "The Robbery"	Community	Community	'70s "The Pill"	That '70s Show
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Kitch.N'mare "Amy's Baking Company"		Enlisted	Raising Hope	Modern Family	Modern Family	The Arsenio Hall Show		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Biblical Israel	Update News	Doorways to Wisdom		Light of the Southwest				Update News	BAS Presents	Walking	Y.Salamanca
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	NewsWest 9 at 6 p.m.		Sochi 2014 Winter Olympics						News-West 9	(:35) Tonight Show Justin Timberlake (N)	(:35) Sochi 2014	
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Wash. Week (N)	Charlie Rose (N)	Great Performances "Sting: The Last Ship" (N)			Robert A.M.	Charlie Rose (N)		BBC News	Tavis Smiley
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Mentir Para Vivir		Por Siempre Mi Amor		Lo Que La Vida Me Robo		Que Pobres Tan Ricos		Noticias Tejas	Noticiero noctu.	Una familia con suerte	
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Fam.Feud	Million..	Monk		Monk		My News	Million..	30 Rock	Sunny	Access H.	Insider
FLIX	340	65			165	(4:35) Lorenzo's Oil		★★★ The Joy Luck Club ('93, Dra) Rosalind Chao.						★★★ Dangerous Minds		(:10) Love & a .45	
HBO	300	68	14	14		(5:30) Beyonce: Lif...		True Detective		True Detective		Bill Maher (N)		Bill Maher		Girls	Looking
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	(5:30) ★★★ Primary Colors John Travolta.				★★ The Place Beyond the Pines				Thrones	(:35) ★★★★ The Campaign		
HBO3	304	70	16	102		(5:20) Hitchcock		The Sopranos		Girls	Looking	★★★★ Warm Bodies			(:40) Lola Versus Greta Gerwig.		
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	(4:25) ★★ Savages		(:55) ★★ Beautiful Creatures				Banshee		Banshee	Quickies	Birthday Sex	
MAX2	382	72	18	122		Movie (:25) Bullet to the Head				Banshee	(:50) ★★★ Fantastic Four Ioan Gruffudd.				(:40) ★★ Mr. and Mrs. Smith		
PLEX			96			(:10) ★ Date With an Angel				To Wong Foo, Thanks for ...				(:50) ★★ Cellular ('04, Thril) Kim Basinger.		Movie	
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	(5:00) Beauty Shop		Lies	Episodes	Alex Cross Matthew Fox.				(:45) ShoBox: The New Generation			
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(5:00) Dick Cheney		On the Road ('13, Adv) Sam Riley.				(:05) The Perks of Being a Wallflower				Chuck and Buck	
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	The First 48 "In Broad Daylight/ Fight Club"		The First 48 "Blood Ret/ Deadly Moves"		The First 48 "Jacked/Fallen Idol"		First 48 "Game Over/ Long Walk Home"		The First 48		The First 48 "Blood Red/ Deadly Moves"	
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	(4:00) Shooter		★★★ The Dark Knight ('08, Act) Heath Ledger, Aaron Eckhart, Christian Bale.							Dead "Inmates"		Movie
BET	58	26		40		Husbands	★★ 35 and Ticking ('11, Com) Tamala Jones.					Being Mary Jane		Being "Exposed"		Wendy Williams	
BRAVO	65	63		41		Housewives Atlanta		★★★ The Bourne Identity ('02, Act) Matt Damon.					★★★ The Bourne Identity ('02, Act) Matt Damon.				
CNBC	46	45		39	72	(4:00) Sochi 2014		Car	TBA	Car	TBA	Car	TBA	Car	TBA	Car	TBA
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		Piers Morgan Live		Crossfire	Unguard	Anthony Bourdain		Piers Morgan Live	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Bering Sea Gold		Gold Rush: Dirt (N)		Gold Rush (N)		Bering Sea Gold (N)			Gold Rush		Sea Gold
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	Dog Blog	Liv.Maddie	Jessie	Dog Blog	FishHook	FishH (N)	I Didn't	Austin	Jessie	GoodLuck	A.N.T.	Austin
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	(5:00) SportC	Count	NBA Basketball Denver Nuggets vs. Chicago Bulls (L)					NBA Basketball Boston Celtics vs. Los Angeles Lakers (L)				
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	NCAA Basketball Vir. C./Mas. (L)				Boxing Fight Night Card TBA (L)				SportsCenter		Olbermann	
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	★★ Happy Gilmore Adam Sandler.				★★★ The Sandlot ('93, Child) Tom Guiry.				The 700 Club		Fresh P.	Fresh P.
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File		Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File	
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Diners...	Diners, Dr.	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...
FSSW	37	48	50	45	29	NBA Basketball Dallas Mavericks vs. Philadelphia 76ers Site: Wachovia Complex Philadelphia, Pa. (L)				Mavericks Live (L)		SportsDay OnAir	Player of the Year	UEFA Mag. (N)	Icons of Coaching	UFC "170: Rousey vs. McMann"	
FX	31	31	59	64	69	Mother	Mother	★★★ Avatar (2009, Fantasy) Sam Worthington, Giovanni Ribisi, Zoe Saldana.							★★★ Avatar Zoe Saldana.		
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	The Waltons		The Waltons		When Calls Heart		Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	House	House	RenoReal	RenoReal	RenoReal	RenoReal	HouseH	House	House	House	RenoReal	RenoReal
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Restore	Restore	Restore	Restore	Restore	Restore	Restore	Restore	Restore	Restore	Restore	Restore
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	Wife Swap "Harrison Velasco/Marshall"		★★ The Stepfather (2009, Thriller) Sela Ward, Penn Badgley, Dylan Walsh.				★ Social Nightmare (2013, Drama) Kirsten Prout, Chloe Bridges, Daryl Hannah.				★★ The Stepfather	
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Hardball		All.in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		Lockup		Lockup		Lockup	
NBCSN	38	39				NCAA Hockey Boston University vs. Notre Dame (L)					NHLTop10	NHLTop10	NHLTop10	NHLTop10	NHLTop10	NHLTop10	Rivals
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	(5:00) Ice Age		Sponge	Brdwnrs	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Police Shootouts	
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	Helix "Survivor Zero"		WWE Smackdown! (N)				Helix "Bloodline" (N)		Bitten "Committed"		Helix "Bloodline"	
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Sein. "The Fix-Up"	Family Guy	★★★ Transformers ('07, Act) Shia LeBeouf. Two alien robot tribes battling for supremacy come to Earth seeking an energy source.						Killer Karaoke		Holmes (N)	The Office
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TNT	24	23	40	26	50	Castle "A Deadly Affair"		Cold Justice "Ambush" (N)		APB With	Troy Dunn	Cold Justice "Ambush"		APB With	Troy Dunn	CSI: NY "Supply and Demand"	
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USA	26	30	42	27	49	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Sin"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Class"		Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	★★ Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull		
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CALENDAR

SATURDAY

PANCAKE BREAKFAST Downtown Lions Club pancake breakfast, 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday at the Midland Downtown Lions Club building.

FUNDRAISER Steers and Stars, Saturday at Petroleum Club. Benefits Midland Children's Rehabilitation Center. Sold out. midlandchildrens.org.

TUESDAY

LUNCH Food Connection Day, noon-3 p.m. Tuesday at Midland County Farm Bureau 687-1365.

DOG RESCUE BENEFIT Painting with Spirits event to benefit All Border Collie Rescue's Joy, Tuesday at The Willows. paintingwithspirits.net.

GIRLS PROGRAM Secret Keeper Girl Crazy Hair Tour, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Mid-Cities Community Church. www.midcities.org.

PRESENTATION "At the Front Lines: Philippines Typhoon Recovery and the Syria Humanitarian Crisis" with Caroline Brennan of Catholic Relief Services and Jimmy Patterson of the Diocese of San Angelo, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at St. Ann's Catholic Church parlor. ryla.simmons@crs.org.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY Studies through the Pentateuch (first five books of the Old Testament), 9:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesdays or noon-1 p.m. Thursdays at Midland Bible Church. 684-9722.

WEDNESDAY

CONCERT Asante Children's Choir from Rwanda and East Africa, 6:45 p.m. Wednesday at Christ Church Anglican. ccanglican.com.

BLACK HISTORY PROGRAM "Freedom," 7 p.m. Wednesday at Macedonia Baptist Church.

THURSDAY

FUNDRAISER "An Evening to Remember" to benefit Alzheimer's Assocation, Thursday at the Petroleum Club. 687-9111.

BIBLE STUDY Precept Upon Precept Bible Study on "Book of Revelation: Jesus' Letter to the Church," 9:15 a.m. Thursday at First Baptist Church room D101-103. storrie@grandecom.net.

MARCH

LUNCHEON Midland Odessa Christian Women's Connection "Texas Independence Day" luncheon, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. March 4 at First Baptist Church. 770-8704 or jehillredbird@aol.com.

CONCERT Holly Tucker March 7 at First Fridays at First Baptist Church's fellowship hall. 683-0644.

LENTEN SERIES Six-week series on meditation and prayer, 5-6 p.m. March 9 at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. holytrinity.org.

CAMP Camp Fire West Texas Spring Break Camp for ages 5-12, March 10-14 at St. Mark's United Methodist Church. campfirewtx.org.

GOLF TOURNAMENT Church Under the Bridge Inaugural Golf Tournament, March 29 at Nueva Vista Golf Course. cutbmidland.org.

CLAY SHOOT Furr-Ever Paws & Claws Clay Shoot for Midland Humane Coalition, March 29 at Jake's Clays. jakesclays.com.

APRIL

ADDICTION PROGRAM "Pleasure Unwoven ... Is Addiction Really a Disease" with Dr. Kevin McCauley, April 1-2 at Palmer Drug Abuse Program. pdap.org.

SPEAKER AND CONCERT Emily Edwards and Michael Hilburn, April 4 at First Fridays at First Baptist Church. 683-0644.

RACE "Run a K for United Way," April 12 in downtown Midland.

PRAYER GATHERING Awake 7:14 conference, April 13-16 at Midland Center.

CONCERT AND AUCTION Big Boys' Toys featuring Trace Adkins, April 12. Benefiting MARC.

WALK/RUN Permian Basin Autism SHARE Walk, April 26 at UTPB campus. sharewtx.org.

MAY

SPEAKER Kris Swiatocho, May 2 at First Fridays at First Baptist Church. 683-0644.

RACE The Color Dash 5K run to benefit The Life Center, May 31 at Scharbauer Sports Complex. midlandlifecenter.org.

To include your event on this calendar, email Megan Buck at mbuck@mrt.com.

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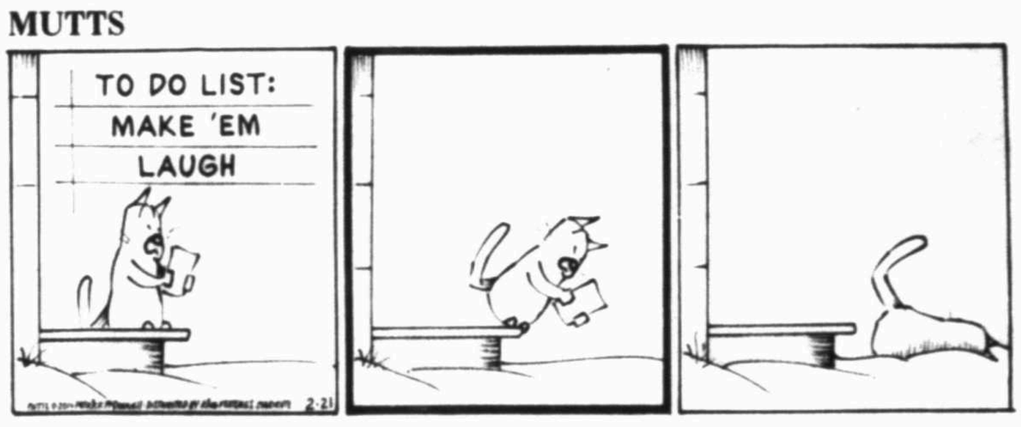

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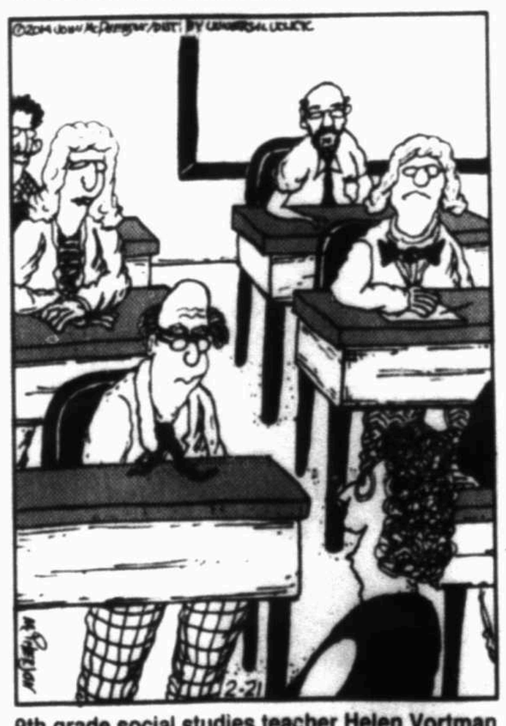

9th grade social studies teacher Helen Vortman had her students dress as their favorite Postmaster General.

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LOCKHORNS

FAMILY CIRCUS

"I'm glad I have another four years before the next Olympics."

Watoto Children's Choir

The Watoto Children's Choir performed "Beautiful Africa: A New Generation" on Feb. 13 at True-Lite Christian Fellowship.

Photos by Mary Powers

Iowa State removing Bibles from hotel guest rooms

Associated Press

DES MOINES, Iowa — Bibles will be removed from guest rooms at Iowa State University's Hotel Memorial Union in Ames.

The Des Moines Register said a guest complained to a watchdog group, the Freedom From Religion Foundation. The organization wrote to Memorial Union director Richard Reynolds on Jan. 29, asking for the Bibles to be removed. The group's attorney, Patrick Elliott, said that for a state-run university to provide a Bible to guests, "that policy facilitates illegal endorsement of Christianity over other religions and over nonreligion."

Reynolds responded last week and said the Bibles would be removed by March 1.

The hotel occupies several floors in the Memorial Union and has 52 rooms. The Bibles will be placed in the Memorial Union's Browsing Library for lending.

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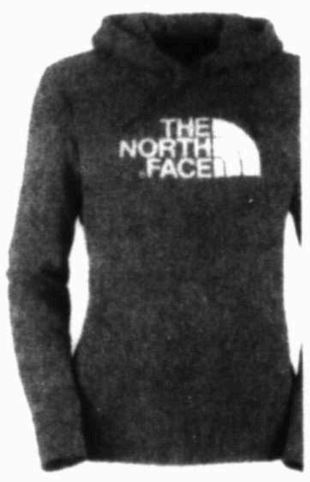

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Regional tournament pits experience vs. lack thereof

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Merkel's Tiffany Young (35) tries to snag a rebound against Wall during the UIL Region I-2A Girls Basketball Final on Feb. 23, 2013 at Chaparral Center. The Region I-2A Tournament returns to Chap Center this weekend.

By Jonathan Hull
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Advancing to the Region I-2A Tournament at Midland College's Chaparral Center is nothing new for the Wall and Jim Ned girls basketball teams.

Between the two, the Lady Eagles and Lady Indians have combined to make 11 appearances at the Region I-2A Tournament since Midland College started hosting it in 2005. There's only been two years — 2007 and 2011 — neither of those teams were involved in the four-team tournament field.

Then there's the other side of the coin with teams such as Slaton and Canadian, which are preparing to make their first appearance at the Region I-2A Tournament in at least six years.

Region I-2A Tourney

Region I-2A Tournament
Chaparral Center
Today's Semifinals
Slaton (R3) vs. Jim Ned (R6), 6 p.m.
Canadian (W1) vs. Wall (W6), 7:30 p.m.

Saturday's Regional Final
Semifinal winners, 1 p.m.

The new kids on the block are being pitted against the old school contenders when the Region I-2A Tournament tips off today at the Chaparral Center. The first semifinal will see Slaton (24-4) playing its first regional tournament game since 2008 against No. 8 Jim Ned (27-7) at 6 p.m.

That game will be followed with No. 5 Canadian (31-1) making its first appearance at the Region I-2A Tournament since 2005 against No. 7 Wall (31-4) at 7:30 p.m.

So how much does regional tournament experience matter? It depends on who you ask.

"I don't know that regional experience is as important as playoff experience," first-year Slaton coach Dustin Klafka said. "A team that's in the playoffs every year is getting valuable experience. I don't know that the regional tournament is a whole lot different from any

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OC outslugs MC in OT

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland College men's basketball head coach Jordan Dreiling looks on from the bench during Thursday's game against Odessa College at Chaparral Center. The Chaparrals lost to the Wranglers, 78-71, in OT.

Chaparrals run out of gas in loss to Wranglers

By Oscar LeRoy
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Wranglers **78**
Chaparrals ..... 71 (OT)

First-year Midland College men's coach Jordan Dreiling couldn't have asked for a better effort from his short handed Chaparrals against favored Odessa College on Thursday night.

The Chaparrals started the game on a 12-0 run and had an 18-3 advantage to start the game.

But the Wranglers battled back to tie the game at 68 at the end of regulation, and then win it 78-71 in overtime at Chaparral Center.

For the Chaps (11-17, 3-12 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference) to even have a chance against the Wranglers (22-6, 10-5), was a surprise to most people.

In the end, however, an 18-for-36 showing at the free-throw line and shooting 32.4 percent from the floor wasn't going to be enough to upset the Wranglers, who are fighting to get in to the NJCAA Region V Tournament.

"We just didn't knock down shots," Dreiling said. "I think that's guys just going through the motions and individual stuff. We've got to put in more work during the week for what's to come (against South Plains on Monday)."

Midland College took a 35-28 halftime lead as the Wranglers struggled to hit shots in the first half. Josh Gray, who came into game leading the NJCAA in scoring at 34.2 points per game, was held to five points in the first half as he struggled hitting his shots from the perimeter, going 1 for 8 from 3-point range in the first half.

"For some reason, we came out flat and (the Chaps) came out with a lot spirit and energy and played hard, executed, hit some shots," OC coach Tra Arnold. "We were coming off a heartbreaking loss (against Howard College) the other night where a guy hits a 40-footer to beat us. It's been a rough couple of days for us in practice, mentally, emotionally."

A key to the Wranglers staying in the game was the play of 6-foot-5 sophomore Kevin Mays, who had 14 of his game-high 23 points. He also added 11 boards in the winning effort before fouling out late in the game.

"Kevin is a special kid, he works hard every day," Arnold said. "He made huge

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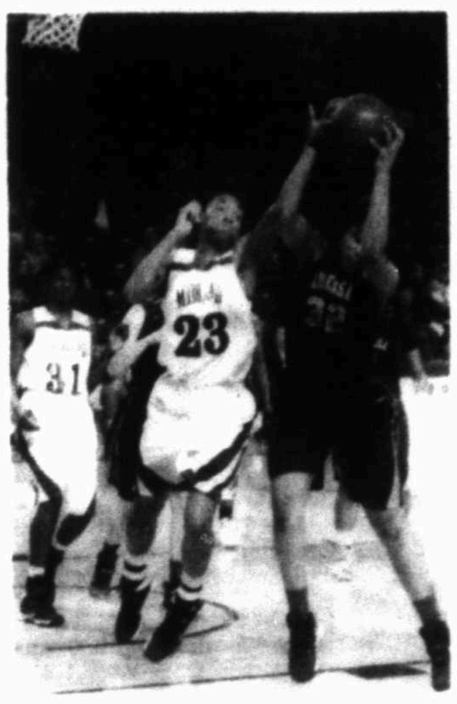

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Midland College's Mary Savoy (23) gets beat to a rebound by Odessa College's Talayiah Rich (32) on Thursday at Chaparral Center.

Sloppy play costs MC against OC

Lady Wranglers **54**
Lady Chaparrals 43

By Oscar LeRoy
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Midland College women's basketball coach Ron Jones has been looking for some more consistency out of his team. Turning the ball over on a regular basis against Odessa College Thursday night wasn't the consistency he was looking for.

The Lady Chaparrals turned the ball over 30 times and Odessa College took advantage for a 54-43 Western Junior College Athletic Conference victory at Chaparral Center as the Lady Wranglers swept the season series.

"Unbelievable that in February we could turn the ball over 30 times," Jones said. "It's one thing if it was November, but I don't know if I ever had a team turn it over 30 times in February.

"Poor decisions, poor execution and (the Lady Chaps) did not play well."

This wasn't the kind of performance that Jones and the Lady Chaps (17-11, 7-6) were looking for as they were hoping to gain some momentum going into next month's NJCAA Region V Tournament. With South Plains defeating Frank Phillips, 81-69, on Thursday, MC will have to settle for the fourth seed in the tournament with the Lady Texans coming to Chaparral

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MCS' Ambrosio different person after Italy visit

By Len Hayward
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Bianca Ambrosio learned plenty during her nearly six-month stay in Italy as a foreign exchange student.

She joked that personal space isn't really a term they understand, and that the Italian language has five different tenses for the past.

But the biggest things that the Midland Christian senior softball player learned despite some cultural differences, teenagers around the world are similar and that it's an experience she will never forget.

"It's amazing how similar even in different cultures the needs that kids have," said Ambrosio, who is the starting center fielder and leadoff hitter for the Lady Mustangs in this weekend's West Texas Classic. "It's just wanting to be accepted and loved and fitting in. Even though it's a completely different culture and they handle things differently, everyone still has the same basic mentality and the same basic needs."

Ambrosio became interested in the program when she met an exchange student from Denmark at Midland High during her junior year at the school. She then inquired about being a part of a program, and was able to find one called YFU or Youth for Understanding.

She said the process for her acceptance was long, but once she was accepted late in 2012, she decided to choose Italy. And that was the easy part.

Ambrosio said that both of her father's parents are from the Italian peninsula, while her mother is half-Italian. So getting the chance to go to her family's country of origin was the chance of a lifetime. She said she raised much of the money this past summer, thanking some "big" donors who helped her for the trip.

Ambrosio said she lived in the small city of Ciampiano, which is near Rome, and said she didn't speak a word of Italian when she entered the country on Sept. 4.

But by the time she left after nearly six months, she was fairly fluent, only saying that she still has trouble with the different tenses.

"Just being in school when all the classes are taught in Italian, and just being immersed in it you pick it up," Ambrosio said. "I'm conversational and I understand when people speak to me."

Ambrosio said her experience didn't include playing much softball, but said that she was involved in an organization called Libera. It's an organization where citizens of communities band together to speak out against the mafia and organized crime.

"It's really peaceful, and it's basically just voicing their opinions and what they need to do," said Ambrosio, who lived in Italy from Sept. 4 through Jan. 15. "It's kind of like a peaceful protest group."

Midland Christian coach Judy Hardy

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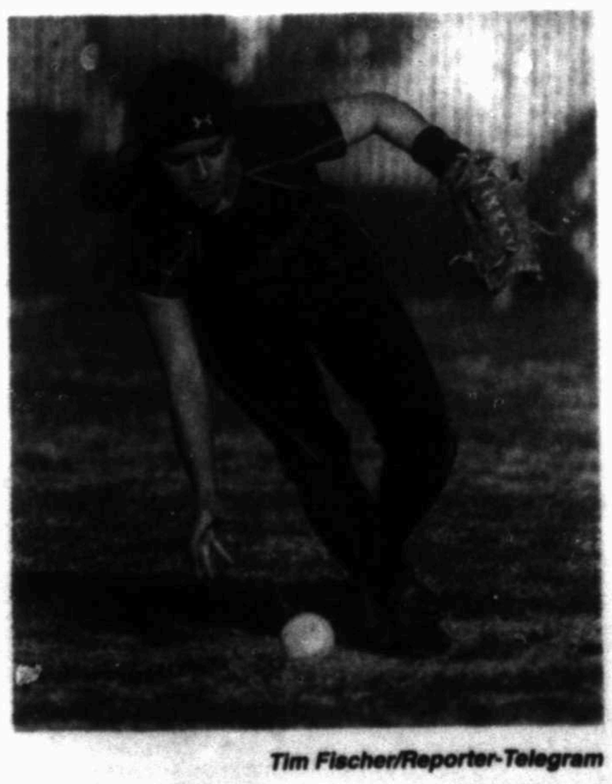

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Midland Christian's Bianca Ambrosio fields the ball Thursday against Pecos during the West Texas Classic at Freddie Ezell Softball Complex.

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ON THE AIR

WHAT'S ON TV
AUTO RACING
NASCAR, Sprint Cup, practice for Daytona 500, 10:30 a.m., Fox Sports 1
NASCAR, Nationwide Series, pole qualifying for DRIVE4COPD 300, Noon, ESPN2
NASCAR, Sprint Cup, practice for Daytona 500, 1:30 p.m., Fox Sports 1
NASCAR, Truck Series, pole qualifying for NextEra Energy Resources 250, 3 p.m., Fox Sports 1
NASCAR, Truck Series, NextEra Energy Resources 250, 6:30 p.m., Fox Sports 1
BOXING
Lightweights, Chris Rudd (12-1-0) vs. Yakubu Amidu (19-4-2), 8 p.m., ESPN2
Super lightweights, Amir Imam (12-0-0) vs. Jared Robinson (14-0-0); lightweights, Angelo Santana (14-1-0) vs. Hank Lundy (23-3-1), 9:45 p.m., Showtime
GOLF
LPGA Thailand, second round (same-day tape), 8 a.m., TGC
PGA Tour-WGC, Accenture Match Play Championship, third round matches, 1 p.m., TGC
MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Mercer at Fla. Gulf Coast, 5 p.m., ESPNU
VCU at UMass, 6 p.m., ESPN2
Iona at Rider, 7 p.m., ESPNU
Detroit at Wright St., 9 p.m., ESPNU
MEN'S COLLEGE HOCKEY
Boston U. at Notre Dame, 6 p.m., NBC Sports Network
NBA
Dallas at Philadelphia, 6 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest
Denver at Chicago, 7 p.m., ESPN
Boston at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m., ESPN
WINTER SPORTS
At Sochi, Russia
All events taped unless noted as Live
Women's Freestyle Skiing - Cross Gold Medal Final; Women's Biathlon - 4x6km Relay Gold Medal Final, 2 p.m., NBC
Women's Alpine Skiing - Slalom Gold Medal Final; Men's Short Track - (500 Gold Medal Final, 5000 Relay Gold Medal Final); Women's Short Track - 1000 Gold Medal Final; Men's Speedskating - Team Pursuit Semifinals, 7 p.m., NBC
Women's Speedskating - Team Pursuit Quarterfinals, 11:30 a.m., NBC
Men's Hockey - Semifinal, Sweden vs. Finland (LIVE), 5:30 a.m., NBC Sports Network
Women's Biathlon - 4x6km Relay Gold Medal Final (LIVE); Women's Freestyle Skiing - Cross Gold Medal Final, 8:30 a.m., NBC Sports Network
Men's Hockey - Semifinal, Canada vs. United States (LIVE); Women's Speedskating - Team Pursuit Quarterfinals, 10:45 a.m., NBC Sports Network
Game of the Day: Hockey, 4 p.m., NBC Sports Network
Men's and Women's Snowboarding - Parallel Slalom Competitions, 2 a.m., NBC Sports Network
Women's Cross-Country - 30km Freestyle Gold Medal Final (LIVE); Men's and women's Snowboarding - Parallel Slalom Gold Medal Finals, 3:30 a.m., NBC Sports Network
Men's Curling - Gold Medal Final, Sweden vs. Canada, 4 p.m., CNBC

WHAT'S ON DECK

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL
Class A, Garden City vs. TBA
APPS 4A, MCS vs. Tyler Grace Community, 7 p.m., Brewer HS, Fort Worth
HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL
Region I-2A Tournament, Chaparral Center
Slaton vs. Jim Ned, 6 p.m.
Wall vs. Canadian, 7:30 p.m.
Region II-A Tournament, Garden City vs. Eula, 5 p.m., Abilene Christian University's Moody Coliseum
HS SWIMMING
State Meet, Austin
JUNIOR COLLEGE SOFTBALL
Coastal Bend at Midland College, 10 a.m.
Western Nebraska at Midland College, 1 p.m. (DH)
HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL
Midland High at Round Rock Tournament
Lee at Lewisville Tournament
Greenwood at Pecos Tournament
Midland Christian at Weatherford Tournament
HIGH SCHOOL BOYS GOLF
Ratcliff/Dunn Tall City Invitational, Green Tree CC
Greenwood at Lubbock Tournament
HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS GOLF
Greenwood at Sweetwater Tournament
COLLEGE BASEBALL
University of the Southwest at UTPB, Noon (DH)
HIGH SCHOOL TRACK
Greenwood at Seminole Triangle Meet
NORTH AMERICAN HOCKEY LEAGUE
Wichita Falls at Jackalopes, 7:17 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE — Suspended Houston LHP Francisco Liriano 50 games following a positive drug test under the minor league drug program.
American League
SEATTLE MARINERS — Agreed to terms with RHP Logan Bawcom, C Hector Gomez, OF Jabari James, Pitcher C Mike Zunino, INF Nick Franklin and Kyle Seager and OF Jude Morhan. Signed Romero on one-year contract.
National League
ATLANTA BRAVES — Agreed to terms with SS Andrelton Simmons on a seven-year contract.
American Association
AMARILLO SOX — Traded RHP Josh Fuller to Sioux City for RHP Joe Zeller.
FORT SOUTH SHORE RAILCATS — Signed INF Zac Mitchell.
LINCOLN SALTDOGS — Signed INF Eddie Kunz.
NORTHERN LEAGUE BASEBALL — Released RHP Jordan Hall. Released Atlantic Expansion and NL Kevin Whelan.
Atlantic League
LONG ISLAND DUCKS — Signed OF Fernando Martinez.
SOMERSET PATRIOTS — Signed RHPs Jeff Lyons and Matt Wright and LHP Dan Meadows.
Frontier League
FRANKLIN COUNTY BLUE BOMBERS — Signed Zach Kamenitsky to a contract extension. Signed Henry Antkiewicz and LHP Rusty Shelhorn.
WINNIPEG GOLDEN BEARS — Traded OF Jeff Pickering to Florence Pacific Association for a player to be named later.
National Basketball Association
ATLANTA HAWKS — Acquired F Antawn Jamison from the Los Angeles Clippers for the rights to G Derek Akoyo.
CLEVELAND CAVALIERS — Traded F Earl Clark, F Henry Sims and two second-round draft picks to Philadelphia for C Spencer Hawes.
MIAMI HEAT — Traded G Roger Mason Jr. to Sacramento for a conditional 2015 second-round draft pick.
MILWAUKEE BUCKS — Traded G Gary Neal and Luke Ridnour to Charlotte for G Ramon Sessions and F Jeff Adrien.
PHILADELPHIA 76ERS — Traded G Evan Turner and F Lavoy Allen to Indiana for F Danny Granger and a 2015 second-round draft pick. Acquired C Byron Mullens and a 2018 second-round draft pick from the L.A. Clippers for a 2014 second-round draft pick.
SAN ANTONIO SPURS — Traded G Nando De Colo to the Toronto Raptors for G Austin Daye.
WASHINGTON WIZARDS — Traded G Eric Maynor and a 2015 second-round draft pick to Philadelphia and F Jan Vesely to Denver, who sent G Andre Miller to Washington and a 2016 second-round draft pick to Philadelphia. Philadelphia sent a protected 2014 second-round draft pick to Washington.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
ATLANTA FALCONS — Released OL Garrett Reynolds.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Named Michael Lombardi assistant to the coaching staff.
Canadian Football League
B.C. LIONS — Signed PK Paul McCallum to a contract extension. Agreed to terms with P Ricky Schmitt.
EDMONTON ESKIMOS — Signed WR A.J. Guyton. Released S Donovan Alexander.
WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS — Named Gary Etcheverry defensive coordinator. Nelson Marter defensive backs coach and Mike Scheper defensive line coach.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
BUFFALO SABRES — Assigned D Jerome Leadther Leduc from Rochester (AHL) to Grand-Mère (QMJHL).
DETROIT RED WINGS — Assigned Ks Gustav Forsberg, Riley Sheahan and Teemu Pulkkinen and D Adam Almquist to Grand Rapids (AHL).
FLORIDA PANTHERS — Recalled D Dylan Olsen from San Antonio (AHL).
NEW YORK ISLANDERS — Reassigned D Andrew Pedan from Stockton (ECHL) to Bridgeport (AHL).
PHOENIX COYOTES — Recalled D Chris Summers from Portland (AHL).
WASHINGTON CAPITALS — Recalled G Michael Michaleski, F Ryan Stoa and Casey Wellman from Hershey (AHL).
American Hockey League
BRIDGEPORT SOUND TIGERS — Signed G Riley Wetmore to Stockton (ECHL). Reassigned G Max Comell to Florida (ECHL).
SAN ANTONIO RAMPAGE — Traded D Jeremy Urban to Springfield for F Tim Miller.
SPRINGFIELD FALCONS — Signed F Alex Alexeev to Evansville (ECHL).
TEXAS STARS — Reassigned D Ryan Rupert to Idaho (ECHL).
ECHL
ALABAMA SLAMMERS — Signed G Brooks Ostergard.
SOUTH CAROLINA STINGRAYS — Re-signed F Anthony Spain.
UTAH GRIZZLIES — Loaned D Aaron Ness to Abbotsford (AHL).
Central Hockey League
ARIZONA SCORPIONS — Waived F Kyle Beattie.
BRAMPTON BEAST — Signed F Greg Hogeboom.
SOCCER
Major League Soccer
MLS — Purchased Chicago USA.
ALABAMA — Signed F Brad Ward, Jonathan Viera and F Raul Mendiola.
COLLEGE
ARKANSAS — Named Clay Jennings defensive backfield coach.
BRIDGEWATER — Named Kyle Gallenwasher defensive line coach.
CHATTANOOGA — Signed softball coach Russ Huesman to a contract extension through 2018.
COASTAL CAROLINA — Announced the resignation of athletic director Hunter Yurachek who will become associate vice president and chief operating officer of the University of Houston athletic department.
HOLY CROSS — Named Roderick Plummer linebackers coach.
LOYOLA (N.O.) — Named Angela Franke women's volleyball coach.
NORTH DAKOTA STATE — Announced the resignation of women's basketball coach Carolyn Dorhoff, effective at the end of the season.
OLD WESTBURY — Named Elizabeth Gessaldo assistant softball coach.
RUTGERS — Announced the retirement of baseball coach Fred Hill. Promoted assistant baseball coach Joe Litterio to head coach.
ST. JOSEPH'S (L.I.) — Named Brie Claire Drost and Joanne Bernatsky women's assistant lacrosse coaches.

FIGHT SCHEDULE

Today
At Cleveland (SHO), Angelo Santana vs. Hank Lundy, 10, lightweights; Amir Imam vs. Jared Robinson, 10, junior welterweights.
At Dover (Del.) Downs Hotel & Casino, Ray Robinson vs. Aslanbek Kozaev, 12, for the NABO welterweight title.
Saturday
At Venetian Macao-Resort Hotel, Macau, China (HBO), Simpiwe Vetyeka vs. Akihumi Shimoda, 12, for Vetyeka's WBA featherweight title; Miguel Vazquez vs. Denis Shafikov, 12, for Vazquez's IBF lightweight title; Rex Tso vs. Mako Matsuyama, 10, super flyweights.
Feb. 28
At Turning Stone Resort Casino Event Center, Verona, N.Y (SHO), Mickey Bey Jr. vs. Alan Herrera, 10, lightweights; Badou Jack vs. Derek Edwards, 10, super middleweights.
March 1
At Emperors Palace, Johannesburg, South Africa, Hekkie Budler vs. Karlos Diaz, 12, for Budler WBA World-IBO minimumweight titles.
At Gotec Arena, Magdeburg, Germany, Robert Stieglitz vs. Arthur Abraham, 12, for Stieglitz's WBO super middleweight title.
At The SECC, Glasgow, Scotland, Ricky Burns vs. Terence Crawford, 12, for Burns' WBO lightweight title.
At Alamodome, San Antonio (HBO), Julio Cesar Chavez Jr. vs. Bryan Vera, 10, super middleweights; Orlando Salido vs. Vasyl Lomachenko, 12, for Salido's WBO featherweight title. Juan Diaz vs. Gerardo Robles, 10, lightweights; Karim Mayfield vs. Francisco Contreras, 10, light welterweights.
March 7
At Pala Casino Spa and Resort, Pala, Calif. (ESPN), Rustam Nugaev vs. Marvin Quintero, 10, lightweights; Roman Morales vs. Khabir Suleymanov, 10, featherweights.
March 8
At Max-Schmeling-Halle, Berlin, Yoan Pablo Hernandez vs. Pawel Kolodziej, 12, for Hernandez's IBF cruiserweight title.

Bell, Coots, Turner ink with colleges

By Len Hayward
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Bell

Turner

Coots

Three key players from the most successful season in the James Morton era at Lee all signed letters of intent with colleges on Thursday at Lee High School.

Quarterback Caden Coots, who broke every major passing record in Lee's history in 2013, signed with Wayland Baptist University.

Middle linebacker Brives Turner who led the team in tackles and was the District 2-5A Defensive Most Valuable Player this past season inked with Cisco Junior College.

And, senior wide receiver Alex Bell, who led the team in receiving yards before he was sidelined by a broken jaw at the end of the regular season, will play at Hardin-Simmons.

All three players were key to Lee's 9-3 season where they shared the District 2-5A title and won the program's first playoff game since 2007.

"It's exciting for our program," Lee coach James Morton said. "In the end it gives them an opportunity to go on and further their education for one, and have a chance to play. I think they've got a chance to have a big impact at the programs they're going into."

Coots said his decision came down to Wayland Baptist and Hardin-Simmons, and he said what sold him on the Plainview school was the chance to be part of a new program.

Wayland Baptist restarted its football program in 2012.

Coots will leave Lee as its most prolific passer, breaking more than 10 records, including passing yards in a season and career yardage.

"I've been an underdog my whole life," Coots said. "Being an underdog and starting something new and building from the ground up was attractive to me in that process."

Turner said that he made initial contact with Cisco last spring, and said that when he took his visit about a month ago that he felt like he fit in with program.

He said he's expecting to play at middle linebacker and have a shot at playing as a freshman.

"I feel like this is going to prepare me and get ready for the next level," Turner said. "If I just take that route, and get bigger, stronger and faster, I feel like I've got a chance at (the Division I) level."

Morton said Turner's height (5-foot-10) was something that held him back for some recruiters, but he said playing at Cisco will give him a chance to show his skills as a linebacker, but he will be challenged.

"When he gets down there and gets a chance to show how hard he plays from sideline to sideline and do those things ... he's a physical kid and in that league, he's going to be challenged," Morton said. "It's Division I athletes and there are reasons they are all there. It will be interesting to watch him go through it."

Bell signing to play football in college is somewhat of a surprise, considering much of his early career at Lee was focused on soccer. But as a junior he made an impact on defense, and last year was one of Lee's leading receivers with 40 catches for 696 yards.

"Soccer is something that's going to stay with me until the day I die, but I've been doing it for so long I've been wanting to spread out and try something new," said Bell, who also considered Wayland Baptist. "I wanted to get out and learn, and have new experiences in life."

Morton said Bell was the most talented receiver he's coached in 22 years as a head coach, and said he thought he might receive a few more college opportunities this year.

He added that he expects Bell to make an immediate impact at Hardin-Simmons, an NCAA Division III school in Abilene.

"I had a kid at Monterey that signed with Bobby Knight (at Texas Tech) in basketball, was also offered a scholarship when Leach was there," Morton said. "Alex is more explosive and more talented than him and a better pure receiver. I'm excited for him to get a chance to go play."

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ALEX BELL
College: Hardin-Simmons University
High School: Lee
Sport: Football
Notes: Bell is a two-sport star at Lee as he's played varsity soccer all four years. Bell played defensive back for the Rebels in 2012 and was an all-district wide receiver in 2013. ... Bell set the school record for touchdown receptions in a game with four against Odessa Permian. ... He said he also considered Wayland Baptist.

CADEN COOTS
College: Wayland Baptist University
High School: Lee
Sport: Football
Notes: Coots was a unanimous 2-5A All-District selection at quarterback in 2013, after breaking every major passing record at Lee. Coots set single-game records for yards, completions and touchdowns, and he also set season records for yards, touchdowns and completions. He will also leave the school as the career leader in passing yards with 3.398 yards in one season.

BRIVES TURNER
College: Cisco Junior College
High School: Lee
Sport: Football
Notes: Coots was the 2-5A Defensive Most Valuable Player after leading the Rebels with 135 tackles in 2013. He also had two interceptions, including one he returned for a touchdown against Amarillo Tascosa. ... Turner also considered Wayland Baptist University.

HSBASEBALLROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

LEE 13
ARLINGTON LAMAR 4

LEWISVILLE — Lee opened the season with a victory Thursday, using a seven-run sixth inning to rout Lamar during the opening day of the Lewisville Tournament.

The Rebels led, 6-4, after Lamar scored three runs in the top of the sixth and responded in a big fashion. Hunter Coleman led the Rebels at the plate, going 4 for 4 with two RBI.

Nine different Rebels had at least one RBI with three players have multiple RBI. The Rebels collected 19 hits.

Lee (1-0) continues play in Lewisville at noon today against Flower Mound Marcus.

LEE 13, ARLINGTON LAMAR 4

Lamar	000 013 —4	8	3
Lee	400 027—13	19	0

Calvin, Theott (5) and Williams. Evan Mata, Austin Maddox (5), Mario Escajeda (6) and Jon Schwalbach. W — Mata (1-0). L — Calvin. 2B — Lamar: Nick, Byron, Lee: Ray Calhoun, Hunter Coleman 2. 3B — Lee: Garrett Chalker.

Record: Lee 1-0

Next: Lee vs. Flower Mound Marcus. Noon today, Lewisville Tournament

MIDLAND HIGH SPLITS IN ROUND ROCK

ROUND ROCK — A tough day in the field delivered Midland High its first loss of the season Thursday.

The Bulldogs committed five errors as Round Rock High scored no earned runs in a 9-2 victory during the first day of the Round Rock Tournament. The Bulldogs rebounded to later defeat Round Rock Stony Point, 4-2.

Against Round Rock High, Lance White allowed no earned runs in four innings of work, but four errors during his time on the mound allowed Round Rock to cross the plate eight times. White allowed eight hits and a walk to go with four strikeouts.

Travis Wilbanks was 2 for 2 in the loss, then came back to give a quality start against Stony Point, allowing two runs — one earned — on four hits and two walks with eight strikeouts in six innings of work.

Grant Edmondson knocked in two runs in the fourth inning on an infield single with Braden Rushton scoring from second on the play.

MHS (2-1) continues play in Round Rock against Cedar Ridge at 10 a.m. today.

ROUND ROCK 9, MIDLAND HIGH 2

Midland High	010 000	1—2	8	5
Round Rock	013 410	x—9	10	0

Lance White, Jason Raughton (5), Sean Grebeck (6) and Braden Scribner. Carson Childers, Jordan Kessler (6) and Mason Thompson. W — Childers. L — White (0-1). 2B — RR: Cameron Blake, Caleb Rodriguez, Ryan Simon, Kenny Williams.

MIDLAND HIGH 4, ROUND ROCK STONY POINT 2

Midland High	000 211	0—4	7	2
Stony Point	002 000	0—2	4	1

Travis Wilbanks, Sean Grebeck (7) and Dos Downing. Nick Hayman, Ivan Vera (7) and Vera. Jeremy Patterson (7). W — Wilbanks (1-0). L — Hayman. S — Grebeck (1). 2B — MHS: Lance White, Browning Houser. Austin Wade. SP: Aiden Barrera. 3B — SP: Vera.

Record: Midland High 2-1

Next: Midland High vs. Cedar Ridge. 10 a.m. today, Round Rock.

Errors stop Lady Chaps from sweeping Cisco

From staff reports

CISCO — Midland College split with Cisco College in non-conference action Thursday, winning Game 1, 4-2, before three errors cost them in a 5-4 loss in Game 2.

The Lady Chaparrals got a strong showing from starting pitcher Shelby Weissenbach in Game 1. Weissenbach allowed just one earned run on seven hits and two walks with five strikeouts in seven innings of work.

Two errors in the second game allowed Cisco to jump out to a 3-0 lead in the first inning, but the Lady Chaps were able to put four runs on the board in the top of the sixth to tie the game. However, another error led to Cisco's fourth unearned run of the game in the bottom of the sixth, giving the Lady Wranglers the win.

"We could have won both games if it wasn't for the errors in the second game," MC coach Tommy Ramos said. "If we keep our errors down then we get two wins today."

Taylor Daniels led the Lady Chaps at the plate, going 2 for 4 with two RBI in both games.

The Lady Chaps don't play again until next weekend when they attend the NJCAA Lead-off Classic in Athens, Ga.

GAME 1

MIDLAND COLLEGE 4		CISCO COLLEGE 2		
Midland College	120 010	0—4	8	2
Cisco College	000 100	1—2	7	2

Shelby Weissenbach and Amy Anderson. Abigail Morales and Chelsea Cypress. W — Weissenbach. L — Morales. 2B — MC: Piriam Smith. Kaylynnae Melissa Zuniga.

GAME 2

CISCO COLLEGE 5		MIDLAND COLLEGE 4		
Midland College	000 004	0—4	5	3
Cisco College	310 001	x—5	4	2

Dominique Alcocer and Amy Anderson. Brooke Jones and Crystal Reed. W — Jones. L — Alcocer.

Record: Midland College 4-4

Next: Midland College in the NJCAA Lead-off Classic, Athens, Ga.

MCA's Sivalls wins boys singles at Tall City Invite

From staff reports

Midland Classical Academy's Max Sivalls won six matches to win the boys singles title at the Tall City Invitational's small school tournament on Saturday.

Zivalls defeated Big Spring's Bryan Blount, 8-1 in the final.

On the girls side, Midland Christian's Ashley Hedrick and Mckenzie Stubbs combined to win the girls doubles championship.

Here are results from other finals, third place and consolation matches at the tournament.

Tall City Invitational
Small School Tournament
Boys Singles
Final: Max Sivalls def. Blount, Big Spring.
Consolation: Schoonover, Hobbs. N.M. def. Ryan Kidwell, Lee.
Girls Singles
Consolation: Kelsie Kennedy, Midland Classical def. Hernandez, Wolfforth Frenship.
Boys Doubles
Final: Dawe, Ward, Andrews def. Rogers, Hord, Midland High.
Consolation: Gonzales, Talamontez, Monahans def. Patel, Tumbuates, Hobbs, N.M.
Girls Doubles
Final: Stubbs, Hedrick, Midland Christian def. Packert, Sanders.
Third place: Melot, Jones, Hobbs, N.M. def. Denham, Lokey, Wolfforth Frenship.
Consolation: Hernedia, Love, Wolfforth Frenship def. Espinosa, Whiteman, Midland Christian.
Mixed Doubles
Final: Walker, Baker, Big Spring def. Garcia, Doege, Monahans.
Third place: Gutierrez, Morales, Odessa High def. Perry, Selmser, Hobbs, N.M.
Consolation: Marler, Van, Odessa Permian def. Demi-Molina, Lee.

NCAA: Players who go into stands to be ejected

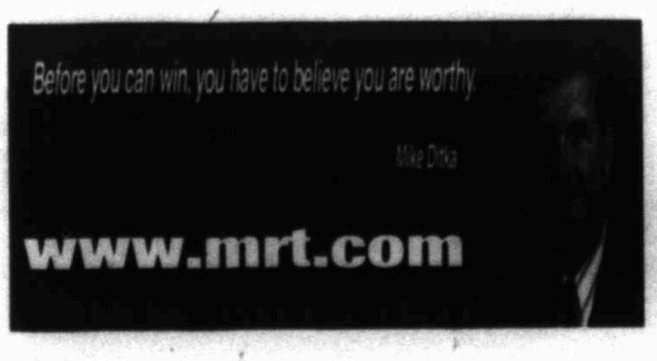
Associated Press

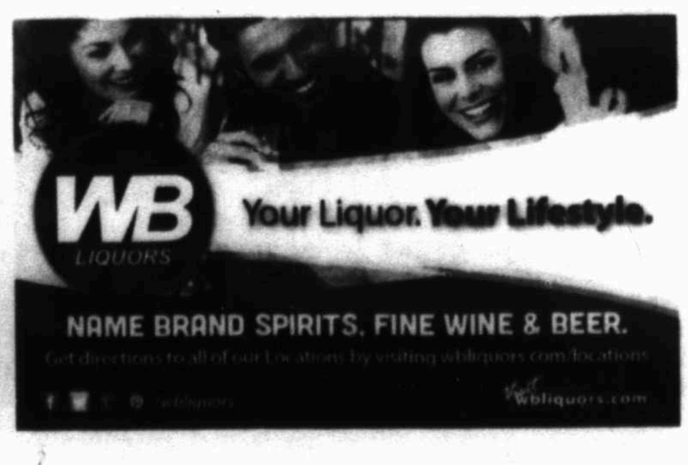
INDIANAPOLIS — The NCAA has clarified a rule that allows for an automatic ejection for basketball players who go into the stands and commit an "unsporting act."

In a memo sent to conference officiating coordinators Monday, the men's basketball rules committee said a player will be charged with a flagrant, noncontact foul 2 and will be ejected. The opposing team is given two free throws and the ball.

The change comes after Oklahoma State's Marcus Smart went into the stands at Texas Tech on Feb. 8 and shoved a fan who called him a "piece of crap." He was given a technical foul for unsportsmanlike conduct but was not ejected.

The Big 12 said there was no rule for officials to eject Smart, but the conference suspended Smart for three games.





REGION I-2A TOURNAMENT

SLATON TIGERETTES
Coach: Dustin Klafka
District: 3-2A
Record: 24-4
Road to regionals: def. Brownfield 56-42 in bi-district; def. Spearman 43-35 in area; def. Olton 49-48 in regional quarterfinal.

Players to watch: Junior PG Karli McCord (11 ppg, 3 apg); Junior P Taliea Maxwell (9 rpg, 9 ppg); Junior G Kelli Pate (9 ppg, 3 apg).

Notable: This is the first appearance for the Tigerettes at the Region I-2A Tournament since 2008 when they were eliminated by Jim Ned in the semfinals. Jim Ned went on to win a state title that season. ... Slaton made the playoffs for the fourth straight season, but unlike the previous three appearances, were able to advance past the third round. Dustin Klafka is in his first year at the helm of the program after spending some time as the head coach at Perryton and Sudan. Klafka said he inherited a team with a wealth of experience, despite not having a senior starter. ... The Tigerettes are led by junior point guard Karli McCord, but Klafka says the team is balanced offensively. They are the only team at the regional tournament not ranked by the TABC, but that doesn't take away from their confidence. "I think we generally play harder than our opponent," Klafka said. "We defend well, we share the ball. We don't rely on one person to score for us."

NO. 8 JIM NED LADY INDIANS
Coach: Hunter Cooley
District: 6-2A
Record: 27-7
Road to regionals: def. Alpine 60-21 in bi-district; def. Cisco 44-40 in area; def. Bowie 43-42 in regional quarterfinal.

Players to watch: Junior PG Jennah Coffman (12.3 ppg, 2.6 apg, 3.2 spg, 4.4 rpg); Senior G Blythe Weatherly (9.3 ppg, 3.5 rpg); Senior G M'Lee Graham (8.7 ppg, 2.9 rpg).

Notable: Jim Ned had one of the more challenging paths in advancing to the Region I-2A Tournament. After coasting through their bi-district game against Alpine, the Lady Indians got significant challenges from Cisco in the area round and Bowie in the regional quarterfinals. Against sixth-ranked Cisco, the Lady Indians won a thrilling game that featured seven lead changes and three ties. The Lady Indians were then on the right side of a heartbreak after Bowie freshman Addy Cook missed three free throws with a second left in the game, allowing Jim Ned to take a 43-42 victory and advance to the the regional tournament.... The Lady Indians were in the regional tournament every season from 2008 to 2012 before being eliminated in the area round of the playoff last season. They won the region in 2008 and 2012. In other words, the Lady Indians expect to visit Midland this time of year.

NO. 7 WALL LADY EAGLES
Coach: Tate Lombard
District: 6-2A
Record: 31-4
Road to regionals: def. Reagan County 76-9 in bi-district; def. Wichita Falls City View 72-36 in area; def. Breckenridge 50-38 in regional quarterfinal.

Players to watch: Junior P Bobbi Chitsey (11.0 ppg, 8.0 rpg); Sophomore P Maddi Chitsey (11.0 ppg, 8.0 rpg)

Notable: Wall is making its third straight appearance at the Region I-2A Tournament and fifth in the past six years. Since Chaparral Center started hostng the 2A regional tournament in 2005, Wall has made more appearances than any other girls basketball team, competing for the seventh time this weekend. ... The Lady Eagles return eight players from last year's regional finalist squad. They lost to Merkel in the region finals last year after losing to Jim Ned at the same juncture in 2012. Wall coach Tate Lombard -- son of legendary Canyon girls baketball coach Joe Lombard -- hopes the experience of the last two years can carry the Lady Eagles to a state tournament this season. ... Lombard describes the Lady Eagles as a balanced team capable of scoring inside and outside with a strong emphasis on defense. They're led by the sister combination of Bobbi and Maddi Chitsey in the post. ... Wall has not won a Region I-2A title since 2010 when it went on to play in the state championship game. There's a possibility the Lady Eagles could be playing Jim Ned for a region title Saturday. It would be the fourth time this season the two district rivals met. Wall is 2-1 in the previous three games. "It would be a rare event that (two teams play four times in a season)," Lombard said. "Hopefully we get that opportunity. (Jim Ned and Wall) girls are pretty familiar with each other."

NO. 5 CANADIAN LADY WILDCATS
Coach: Kevin Richardson
District: 1-2A
Record: 31-1
Road to regionals: def. Tulia 74-41 in bi-district; def. Denver City 49-38 in area; def. Idalou 41-34 in regional quarterfinal.

Players to watch: Junior G Maci Merket (15 ppg, 3.5 rpg); Sophomore P Madisian Smith (12 ppg, 4 rpg); Freshman G Haevyn Risley (11 ppg, 3 rpg)

Notable: The Lady Wildcats are the top-ranked team at the regional tournament and for good reason. They didn't suffer their first loss of the season until district foe Spearman knocked them off on Jan. 31, winning their first 27 games. Among the teams Canadian beat this season was District 2-5A's Abilene High. ... This is Canadian's first trip to a regional tournament since 2009 when it competed at the Class A level. The program hasn't played in a Region I-2A Tournament since 2005 -- the first year the event was hosted by Midland College. The Lady Wildcats won the region that year and went on to be state runner-up. ... The Lady Wildcats have five seniors on the team, but the squad's leading scorers are a junior (Merket), sophomore (Smith) and freshman (Risley). Coach Kevin Richardson says the Lady Wildcats' biggest strength is the team's overall athleticism.

Girls Region I-2A Tournament history at Chap Center

2005
Semifinals
Tulia (W6) 45, Wall (W2) 35
Canadian (W7) 42, Ballinger (W3) 36
Final
Canadian 48, Tulia 43
(Canadian went on to be state runner-up.)

2006
Semifinals
Wall (W2) 29, Panhandle (R7) 27
Tahoka (T5) 43, Jim Ned (W3) 42
Final
Wall 55, Tahoka 40
(Wall went on to be state runner-up.)

2007
Semifinals
Panhandle (R1) 49, Ballinger (W6) 48
Merkel (W5) 61, Shallowater (W3) 52
Final
Panhandle 53, Merkel 49
(Panhandle lost in the state semifinals.)

2008
Semifinals
Jim Ned (W6) 47, Slaton (W4) 44
Wall (R6) 48, Panhandle (W1) 46
Final
Jim Ned 50, Wall 44
(Jim Ned went on to win state title.)

2009
Semifinals
Shallowater (R3) 66, Wall (R7) 48
Bowie (W5) 53, Abernathy (W3) 41
Final
Bowie 83, Shallowater 68
(Bowie lost in the state semifinals.)

2010
Semifinals
Idalou (R3) 54, Early (W8) 39
Wall (W7) 75, Shallowater (W3) 61
Final
Wall 58, Idalou 37
(Wall went on to be state runner-up.)

2011
Semifinals
San Saba (T6) 65, Dimmitt (T2) 50
Hico (R6) 45, Spearman (W1) 44
Final
San Saba 50, Hico 41
(San Saba lost in the state semifinals.)

2012
Semifinals
Jim Ned (R5) 57, Tulia (W2) 55
Wall (W7) 57, Spearman (W1) 54
Final
Jim Ned 35, Wall 27
(Jim Ned lost in the state semifinals.)

2013
Semifinals
Wall (W6) 38, Childress (R3) 30
Merkel (W7) 37, Idalou (W3) 34
Final
Merkel 48, Wall 30
(Merkel went on to be state runner-up.)

Number of appearances

Wall	4
Jim Ned	4
Shallowater	3
Panhandle	3
Spearman	3
Tulia	2
Ballinger	2
Idalou	2
Merkel	2
Slaton	2
Canadian	2
Hico	2
San Saba	2
Dimmitt	1
Tahoka	1
Bowie	1
Childress	1

MCS squads ready for new playoff format

By Jonathan Hull
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In the past, the Midland Christian girls basketball team would be preparing to host its opening round playoff game this weekend.

But a change to the postseason format at the TAPPS 4A level has the' Lady Mustangs joining their male counterparts in a regional tournament format in Fort Worth.

The 16th-ranked Lady Mustangs (24-7) face No. 20 Carrollton Prince of Peace Christian (16-9) at 5:30 p.m. today at Brewer High School. The Midland Christian boys (18-13) meet Tyler Grace Community (24-5) directly after the girls game at the same location.

In reality, the only thing that's changing about the TAPPS playoff format is the name and location. Whereas the higher seeded team typically hosted a game at this juncture of the postseason, every team in the region will play at one location instead.

The change does strip the Lady Mustangs of an opportunity to host a playoff game, though.

"We would have liked to host a playoff game, but I think this way will be exciting to have all the teams in one place," MCS girls coach Chris Ryburn said. "It's a little more like the UIL's regional tournament and I think that was part of the reasoning behind it."

While Midland Christian will have to do a significant amount of travel to play in the regional tournament, the coaches don't believe it is a significant disadvantage due to the nature of their district alignment. MCS makes multiple trips to the Metroplex every season to play two games in consecutive days, giving them a good feel for this tournament's layout.

"I think we're so used to it with most of our district being in Dallas-Fort Worth," Ryburn said. "It's part of our routine. I think it can even be a little bit of an advantage for us."

The Midland Christian boys are heading into the regional tournament with a couple losses, which does have coach Marks Lanham a little worried about the demeanor of his squad. That's why he's tried to conduct a more carefree style of practice this week.

"It's been a tough week with those losses," Lanham said. "But we've had some really good workouts this week. We're making it fun because that's what the playoffs are all about. We've been uptempo with a little trash talking. Just keeping the atmosphere relaxed.

"Of course, a win will cure a lot of things."

To get that win today, Lanham believes the Mustangs have to focus on getting junior post Kaleb Warren more involved in the game early and create more opportunities for their guards, such as Grant Little and Daniel Venzant, through Warren's play in the post.

"When we get the ball moving inside to Kaleb, things are better for us," Lanham said. "Once you get past that first game anything is possible. That's our goal right now."

Ryburn has had state title aspirations for the Lady Mustangs this entire season. They shared the district title with Lubbock Trinity, but lost a seeding game to the Lady Lions, leaving them with the second seed out of the district.

That hasn't swayed Ryburn's belief in the Lady Mustangs as state contenders, though.

"It's something we've talked about all year," Ryburn said. "I think we really have improved throughout the year and we're ready to make a run at that state title."

If the Mustangs or Lady Mustangs manage to win both of their games this weekend, they'll advance to the TAPPS 4A State Tournament next weekend set to take place in Mansfield.

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GIRLS
NO. 16 MIDLAND CHRISTIAN VS. NO. 20 CARROLLTON PRINCE OF PEACE
When/where: 5:30 p.m. today, Brewer High School, Fort Worth.
Records: MCS 25-7; Prince of Peace 16-9
Last game: Lubbock Trinity 42, MCS 28; Prince of Peach 58, Dallas Shelton School 10
Next: Winner vs. Grapevine Faith-Dallas Parish winner, 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Brewer high School, Fort Worth.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN VS. TYLER GRACE COMMUNITY
When/where: 7 p.m. today, Brewer High School, Fort Worth.
Records: MCS 19-12; Tyler Grace 24-5
Last game: Lubbock Trinity 90, MCS 70; Dallas Parish 53, Tyler Grace 51
Next: Winner vs. TBA, 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Brewer High School, Fort Worth.

REGIONAL

From 1C

other playoff game. Playoff basketball gives you that playoff atmosphere and that's what you'll see at the regional tournament as well."

Wall coach Tate Lombard didn't want to overemphasize what he considers a slight advantage in having eight players back from last year's regional finalist team, but he does believe the experience is still valuable.

"It is a slight advantage because our girls know what to expect when we go there," said Lombard, who has guided the Lady Eagles to three straight regional tournament appearances. "It comes down to how you're playing right now, though. If you're going against two evenly matched teams, then maybe the experience is a factor, but it's still more about how you're playing now."

Canadian coach Kevin Richardson points out that it's not like any of the teams playing in this year's regional tournament are the exact replica of teams that represented their respective programs in previous seasons. In fact, only Wall has a team filled with players that has previous regional tournament experience.

"Experience only matters that year," Richardson said. "It's not like we're playing the Wall from five or six years ago. When you talk about experience it does make a difference for that one year. You're not playing teams of the past."

Jim Ned coach Hunter Coleman echoed Richardson's sentiments.

"Maybe from a tradition standpoint it means something," Coleman said, "but when you get to this time of year all the teams have won three playoff games. They know what it's like and what it takes to win."

Klafka did give props to the Wall and Jim Ned programs, and said both have achieved something he hopes the Slaton girls can begin replicating.

"Jim Ned and Wall have been there so much because they do things right and well," Klafka said. "Their programs are solid and they always bring in solid coaches to lead them. There's a reason they're (at the regional tournament) every year."

And while only one team that has won the Region I-2A Tournament at Chaparral Center has gone on to win a Class 2A state title (Jim Ned, 2008), Lombard says whoever emerges from this region has certainly earned their bid and will be a viable contender in Austin.

"Region I has maybe the best depth as far as a 2A field every year," Lombard said. "Whoever makes it out of this weekend, it is well earned."

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HS BASKETBALL PLAYOFF PAIRINGS

Boys

Class 5A
Region I
Area
Keller (23-1, W4) vs. Odessa Permian (11-12, 6 p.m. Friday, Clyde HS.
Richland (19-1, R4) vs. Lubbock Coronado (24-6, R2), time TBA, Friday, Merkel.
Killeen Harker Heights (26-4, W8) vs. Flower Mound Marcus (25-4, R6), 6 p.m. Friday, Glen Rose HS.
DeSoto (27-3, W7) vs. Lewisville (20-8, R7), 6 p.m. Friday, Arlington HS.
Amarillo Tascosa (25-1, W2) vs. Arlington Bowie (25-4, R3), TBA.
El Paso Coronado (23-4, W1) vs. Keller Fossil Ridge (22-8, R4), 6 p.m. Friday, OC Sports Arena.
Coppell (22-12, F5) vs. Duncanville (18-11, R7), 7 p.m. Friday, Euless Trinity HS.
Lewisville Hebron (24-7, W5) vs. South Grand Prairie (23-6, T7), 6:30 p.m. Friday, Byron Nelson HS.

Class 3A
Region I
Area
Abilene Wylie (26-3, W4) vs. Lubbock Cooper (20-12, T2), 6:30 p.m. Friday, Borden County HS, Gail.
Fabens (17-11, W3) vs. Lubbock Estacado (19-11, T2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, OC Sports Center, Odessa.
Burnet (20-12, W8) vs. Wichita Falls Hirschi (16-12, R5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Midlothian HS.
Stephenville (12-14, W7) vs. Springtown (15-15, R6), 7 p.m. Friday, Brock HS.
Shallowater (30-4, W2) vs. Big Spring (13-11, T4), 6 p.m. Friday, Andrews HS.
Seminole (15-12, F2) vs. Monahans (26-6, R4), 7 p.m. Friday, Lee HS.
Kennedale (34-0, W6) vs. Llano (20-13, T8), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Hamilton HS.
Burkburnett (23-6, W5) vs. Glen Rose (16-11, T1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jacksboro HS.

Class 2A
Region I
Area
Brownfield (20-5, W4) vs. Canadian (18-4, R1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Canyon HS.
Childress (27-4, W3) vs. Iraan (Bye, R2), TBA.
Cisco (13-17-2, W6) vs. Kermit (24-7, R5), 7 p.m. Friday, Hermleigh HS.
Breckenridge (25-1, W1) vs. Bangs (16-8, R6), 6 p.m. Friday, Dublin HS.
Abernathy (26-1, W2) vs. Idalou (17-11, R3), 6 p.m. Friday, Lubbock Monterey HS.
Bushland (22-8, W7) vs. Denver City (19-4, R4), 6:30 p.m. Friday, Wolfforth Frenship HS.
Wall (16-0, W6) vs. Eastland (44-2), Comanche (17-6), Jim Ned (4-1).

Class A Division I
Region I
Area
Hale Center (17-7, W4) vs. Grover (21-4, R1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Amarillo HS.
Panhandle (18-5, W2) vs. Wellington (11-14, R3), 6:30 p.m. Friday, Canyon Randall HS.
San Angelo (LCA) (19-4, W8) vs. Tahoka (14-16), 7 p.m. Friday, Big Spring HS.
Smyer (24-5, W6) vs. Iraan County (14-13, T4), 7 p.m. Friday, Kermit HS.
Shamrock (19-5, W5) vs. Booker (7-12, T1), 7 p.m. Friday, Canadian HS.
Stratford (14-5, W1) vs. Memphis (19-6, T3), TBA.
Iraan (18-6, W7) vs. Forsan (18-7, R6), 7 p.m. Friday, McGraw Special Events Center.
Farwell (19-8, W6) vs. Christoval (19-9, R4), 6 p.m. Friday, Andrews HS.

Class A Division II
Region I
Area
Anton (21-6, W4) 52, Darmouzett 45
Turkey Valley (16-8, W2) vs. Nazareth (20-11, R3), 8 p.m. Friday, Reg. Griffin Center, Lubbock.
Rankin (W8) vs. Meadow (21-6, R5), 7 p.m. Friday, Seminole HS.
Grady (21-6, W6) 78, Sanderson 31
Texline (23-3, W3) vs. Fort Elliott (11-9-3), 6 p.m. Friday, Tascosa Activity Center, Amarillo.
Follett (10-4, W1) vs. Happy (12-12, T3), 7 p.m. Friday, Borger HS.
Dell City (W7) vs. Sands (R6), TBA.
Petersburg (19-2, W5) 30, Balmorhea 21

Region II
Area
Eula (W12) vs. Jayton (R9), 8 p.m. Friday, McMurry University's Kimbrell Arena, Abilene.
Crowell (W10) vs. Throckmorton (R11), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Midwestern State University's Lipscomb Coliseum, Wichita Falls.
Mullin (W16) vs. Bronte (T14), 6 p.m. Friday, Coleman HS.
Water Valley (W14) vs. Cross Plains (R15), 6 p.m. Friday, Winters HS.
Grafton (W11) vs. Knox City (R10), 6 p.m. Friday, WF City View HS.
Spur (W9) vs. Trent (R12), 6:30 p.m. Friday, Snyder HS.
May (W15) vs. Garden City (R14), 8 p.m. Friday, Clyde HS.
Irving (W13) vs. Zephyr (R16), 8 p.m. Friday, Merkel HS.

Girls

Class 3A
Region I
Region I-3A Tournament
United Spirit Arena
Lubbock
Friday's Semifinals
Abilene Wylie (28-4, W4) vs. Stephenville (W1), 7 p.m.
Shallowater (W2) vs. Kennedale (20-10, W6), 8:30 p.m.
Saturday's Regional Final
Semifinal winners, 1 p.m.

Class 2A
Region I
Region I-2A Tournament
Chaparral Center
Friday's Semifinals
Slaton (R3) vs. Jim Ned (R6), 6 p.m.
Canadian (W1) vs. Wall (W6), 7:30 p.m.
Saturday's Regional Final
Semifinal winners, 1 p.m.

Class A, Division I
Region I
Region I-A Division I Tournament
Texan Dome
Levelland
Friday's Semifinals
Clarendon (16-1, W2) vs. Sundown (23-8, W6), 6:30 p.m.
Wellington (22-4, W3) vs. Plains (Bye), 8 p.m.
Saturday's Regional Final
Semifinal winners, 3:30 p.m.

Class A Division II
Region I
Region I-A Division II Tournament
Texan Dome
Levelland
Friday's Semifinals
Anton (22-6, W4) vs. Rankin (W8), 1 p.m.
Nazareth (20-7, W3) vs. Petersburg (W5), 3:30 p.m.
Saturday's Regional Final
Semifinal winners, 2 p.m.

Region II
Region II-A Division II Tournament
Moody Coliseum
Abilene
Friday's Semifinals
Eula (W12) vs. Garden City (W14), 5 p.m.
Roby (R12) vs. Highland (W13), 7 p.m.
Saturday's Regional Final
Semifinal winners, 2 p.m.

Grady advances past area

From staff reports

CRANE — Grady moved on past the area round of the Class A Division I playoffs with a decisive 78-31 victory against Sanderson on Thursday.

The Wildcats were up 14-4 after the first quarter and led 34-17 by halftime. They then held Sanderson to just 14 points in the entire second half to eliminate any doubt about their victory.

Beau Lucas led Grady with 19 points, while Aaron Perez scored 11 and Kyle Garza and EJ Rodriguez each adding 10.

The Wildcats (21-6) face the winner between Rankin and Meadow in the regional quarterfinals next week.

GRADY 78, SANDERSON 31

Grady (21-6): — Cameron Saffen 2, Kyle Garza 10, Aaron Perez 11, Joseph Briseno 4, E. Rodriguez 10, Taylor Polson 8, Alejandro Jimenez 2, Beau Lucas 19, Aza Treo 2, Cole Avery 4, Andrue Robles 2.

Grady	14	20	25	19	—78
Sanderson	4	13	8	6	—31

Free throws — Grady 7-16 (SHS 3-7 3-point goals — Grady 9 (Perez 3, Rodriguez, Lucas 4); SHS 2 (Bonkenfeld 2). Total fouls — Grady 16, SHS 15. Fouled out — None.

Next: Grady vs. Rankin-Meadow winner in regional quarterfinal, TBA.

AMBROSIO

From 1C

said she really didn't get a chance to get to know Ambrosio until she returned from her trip in mid-January. And after learning about her trip to Italy and what it meant to her, Hardy said that only added to her respect for her beyond the softball field.

On the softball field, Hardy said it didn't take them long to realize that she was going to be a key cog on their team this season as a leadoff hitter and outfielder.

"She's super smart and she's really neat," Hardy said. "She's got her goals lined up. I've really enjoyed having her and getting to know her."

Ambrosio still talks everyday about her trip, but for now she's ready to focus on her senior season of softball at Midland Christian. But that doesn't mean that her trip to Italy won't be far from her mind.

Ambrosio admitted she came back a different person from her stay, and said that was part of her reasoning for making the transfer to Midland Christian, which she had considered before the trip.

She had so much fun on the stay that she would like to do it again in college at Texas A&M.

"It's a life-changing experience," Ambrosio said.

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THURSDAY'S NOTES

■ Lee won its two games on Thursday to start the tournament, but the second one was tight. The Lady Rebels began the day by beating Hereford 11-1, but then in the their second game the Lady Rebels scored a late run to win 4-3 against El Paso Eldorado. Lee finished the first day of pool play with 18 points and is tied for first in the Maroon pool with Mansfield.

■ Midland Christian won both of its games as well on Thursday, defeating Pecos 11-3 and Amarillo Palo Duro 11-6 to finish the first day with 18 points.

■ Greenwood split its two games, beating Seminole 12-5 and then falling to Odessa Permian 8-0 in its final game. The Rangerettes, though, did have two players suffer hand injuries and are likely out for the rest of the tournament.

■ Odessa Permian leads the purple pool with 20 points after winning its two games by shutout, defeating Seminole 7-0 and the Greenwood victory.

WEST TEXAS CLASSIC SCORES

2014 WEST TEXAS CLASSIC
All games at Freddie Ezell Softball Complex at Ulmer Park
Division I
Pool standings (Through Thursday's Games)
Maroon: 1 (tie) Lee 18, Andrews 18; Mansfield 18; 4 (tie) El Paso El Dorado 12, El Paso Hanks 12; 6 Monahans 5; 7 Hereford 4; Alpine 3.
Purple: 1 Odessa Permian 20; 2 Midland Christian 18; 3 (tie) Greenwood 9, Kermit 9; 5 Pecos 6; 6 (tie) Seminole 3, Amarillo Palo Duro 3; 8 Colorado City 0.

Thursday's Scores
Lee JV 10, Monahans JV 0; MHS JV 19 Presidio JV 3; Midland Christian 11, Pecos 3; Odessa Permian 7, Seminole 0; El Paso El Dorado 13, Monahans 3; Mansfield 17, Alpine 2; Lee 11, Hereford 1; Odessa Permian JV 14 Big Spring JV 4.
Presidio JV 15, Pecos JV 5; Andrews JV 12, MHS JV 5; Midland Christian 11, Amarillo Palo Duro 6; Greenwood 12, Seminole 5; Kermit vs. Colorado City, late; Andrews 12, Alpine 1; Hereford 19, El Paso Hanks 4; Monahans JV 9, Lubbock Monterey JV 7.
Lubbock Monterey JV 20, Pecos JV 5; Lee JV 25, Presidio JV 1; Colorado City vs. Amarillo Palo Duro, late; Odessa Permian 8, Greenwood 0; Mansfield 16, El Paso Hanks 4; Andrews 11, Monahans 2; Lee 4, El Paso El Dorado 3; Kermit 14, Pecos 14; Andrews JV 15, Big Spring JV 8

Today's Games
11 a.m.
Lee JV vs. Lubbock Coronado JV; Field 2; Kermit vs. Greenwood; Field 3; Big Spring JV vs. Pecos JV; Field 4; Andrews vs. El Paso El Dorado; Field 6; Mansfield vs. Monahans; Field 7.
1 p.m.
MHS JV vs. Monahans JV; Field 2; Seminole vs. Amarillo Palo Duro; Field 3; Odessa Permian JV vs. Lubbock Coronado JV; Field 4; Colorado City vs. Pecos; Field 5; Midland Christian vs. Odessa Permian; Field 6; Lee vs. Alpine; Field 7.
3 p.m.
Lubbock Monterey JV vs. Big Spring JV; Field 2; Lee JV vs. Andrews JV; Field 3; Odessa Permian JV vs. Pecos JV; Field 4; Monahans vs. Hereford; Field 5; Andrews vs. Mansfield; Field 6; El Paso Hanks vs. Alpine; Field 7.
5 p.m.
MHS JV vs. Lubbock Monterey JV; Field 2; Greenwood vs. Midland Christian; Field 3; Monahans JV vs. Lubbock Coronado JV; Field 4; Kermit vs. Seminole; Field 6; Pecos vs. Amarillo Palo Duro; Field 6; El Paso El Dorado vs. Hereford; Field 7
7 p.m.
Odessa Permian JV vs. Andrews JV; Field 4; Odessa Permian vs. Colorado City; Field 6; Lee vs. El Paso Hanks
Saturday's Games
9 a.m.
Presidio JV vs. Odessa Permian JV; Field 2; Midland Christian vs. Colorado City; Field 3; Lee JV vs. Lubbock Monterey JV; Field 4
11 a.m.
Presidio JV vs. Monahans JV; Field 2; Lubbock Coronado JV vs. Andrews JV; Field 3; Greenwood vs. Pecos; Field 4; MHS JV vs. Big Spring; Field 5; Odessa Permian vs. Amarillo Palo Duro; Field 6; El Paso El Dorado vs. Mansfield
1 p.m.
Odessa Permian JV vs. Lubbock Monterey JV; Field 2; Lubbock Coronado JV vs. Pecos JV; Midland Christian vs. Seminole; Field 4; Andrews vs. Hereford; Field 5; Monahans vs. El Paso Hanks; Field 6; Lee vs. Mansfield; Field 7
3 p.m.
Andrews JV vs. Monahans JV; Field 2; MHS JV vs. Pecos JV; Field 3; Amarillo Palo Duro vs. Kermit; Field 4; Lee JV vs. Big Spring JV; Field 5; Greenwood vs. Colorado City; Field 6; Alpine vs. El Paso El Dorado
5 p.m.
Presidio JV vs. Lubbock Coronado JV; Field 2; Pecos vs. Seminole; Field 3; Odessa Permian vs. Kermit; Field 4; Hereford vs. Alpine; Field 5; El Paso Hanks vs. Andrews; Lee vs. Monahans

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LADY CHAPS

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Center on Monday.

The turnovers started to come early and often for the Lady Chaps as 15 turnovers in the first half led to OC (21-6, 11-2) taking a 30-21 advantage into the locker room.

"I thought we did a good job of executing our defensive plan, and we played hard," OC coach Ara Baten said. "I was pretty happy with the way we played defensively."

However, the Lady Chaps started the second half strong, going on a 16-7 run — keyed by Mary Savoy's eight of her game-high 21 points — and took a 37-36 lead on a layup by Tajanay Veiga with 12:24 left in the game.

But then OC responded with a 9-2 run as the Lady Chaps again got sloppy with the basketball.

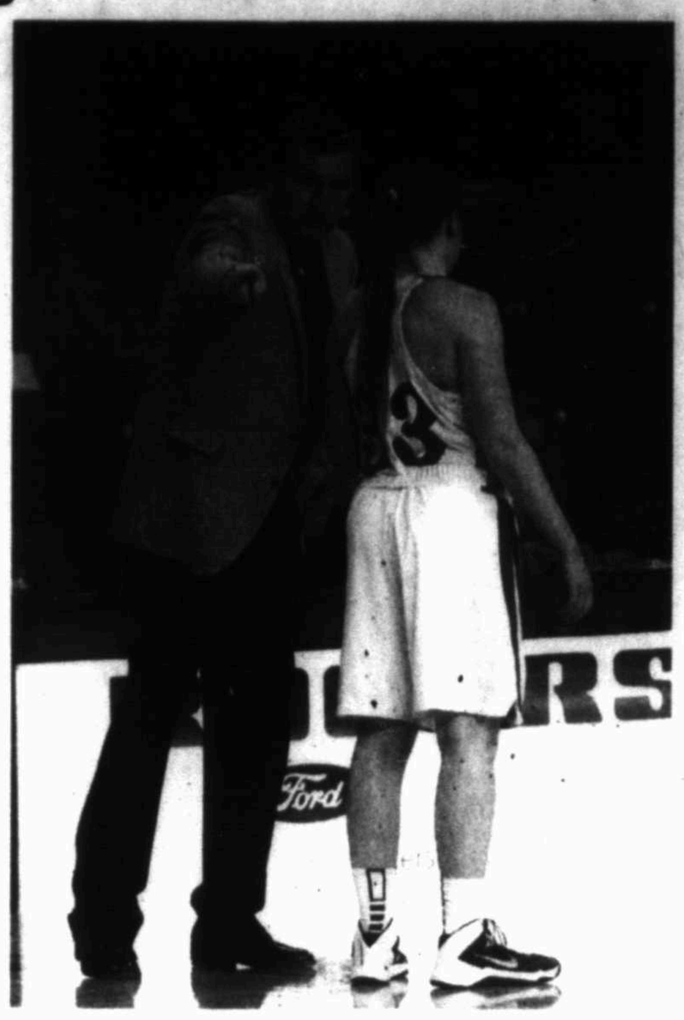
Jones said OC's defense wasn't anything his team hasn't seen before and had success against.

"We throw the ball and can't catch it or we can't throw it or play it ...I don't know. It wasn't a good performance," Jones said. "I was really disappointed that we would play like that this time of year."

Neither team will use this game as highlight reel material as the Lady Wranglers shot 32.8 percent for the game and turned the ball over 16 times.

"I thought Midland played well defensively," Baten said. "I thought it was a grind. It was one of those tough games we get in conference sometimes where both teams know each other pretty well and kind of know what the tendencies are. It was a tough game for offenses."

Sera Ozelci led the Lady Wranglers with 15 points and Taliyah Rich had 10.



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Midland College women's basketball head coach Ron Jones talks to Ellyn Avery during the game against Odessa College on Thursday at Chaparral Center.

Other than Savoy's 21, no other Lady Chap scored in double figures.

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ODESSA COLLEGE 54, MIDLAND COLLEGE 43

Odessa College (21-6, 11-2) — Octavian Reedy 0-2 0-0 0; Bailey Holland 2-8 1-3 7; Sera Ozelci 6-12 0-0 15; Shanna Taylor 1-3 0-0 3; Kiera Waters 1-2 0-0 3; Manesha Womble 2-7 1-2 6; Amber Davis 0-2 0-0 0; Morgan Holly 2-5 4-4 8; Taliyah Rich 4-14 2-2 10. Totals 19-58 8-11 54.

Midland College (17-11, 7-6) — Gabreia Martins 0-3 0-0 0; Tajanay Veiga 4-9 0-2 9; Mame Turner 0-0 0-0 0; Mary Savoy 10-16 1-4 21; Catherine Kruschke 4-10 1-2 9; Naksha Samhvi 1-3 0-1 2; Ellyn Avery 0-3 0-0 0; Diamaiises Rivera 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 20-47 2-9 43.

Halftime — OC 30, MC 21. 3-point goals — OC 8-22 (Ozelci 3-8, Holland 2-7, Taylor 1-2, Waters 1-2, Womble 1-2, Davis 0-1). MC 1-9 (Veiga 1-4, Martins 0-2, Avery 0-3). Total fouls — OC 12, MC 10. Technical fouls — OC bench. Fouled out — None. Rebounds — OC 34 (Holly 11), MC 40 (Savoy 8). Assists — OC 10 (Holland 3), MC 9 (Martins 4). Turnovers — OC 16, MC 30.

WJCAC women's basketball

Team	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
x-New Mexico JC	11	1	20	5
x-Odessa College	11	2	21	6
x-South Plains	9	3	15	10
x-Midland College	7	6	17	11
Frank Phillips	4	9	16	10
Clarendon College	4	9	12	14
Howard College	3	9	12	15
Western Texas	1	11	6	17

x-clinched Region V Tournament berth

Thursday's Scores

Odessa College 54, Midland College 43; South Plains College 81, Frank Phillips College 69; Clarendon College 77, Western Texas College 61; Howard College and New Mexico JC are open

Monday's Games

South Plains College at Midland College; New Mexico JC at Howard College; Western Texas College at Frank Phillips College; Odessa College and Clarendon College are open

Next: South Plains College at Midland College, 5:45 p.m. Monday; Odessa College at South Plains College, 5:45 p.m. Feb. 27.

CHAPS

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plays for us."

MC pushed the lead back up to 58-47 on two free throws by LeBrent Walker (team-high 18 points) midway through the second half.

But OC slowly started crawling back as MC missed shots and turned the ball over, before finally taking a 61-60 lead on a short jumper by Zeldric King with four minutes left.

It was back and forth until MC's Kenan Guzonjic tied the game at 68 on a layup with three seconds left in regulation.

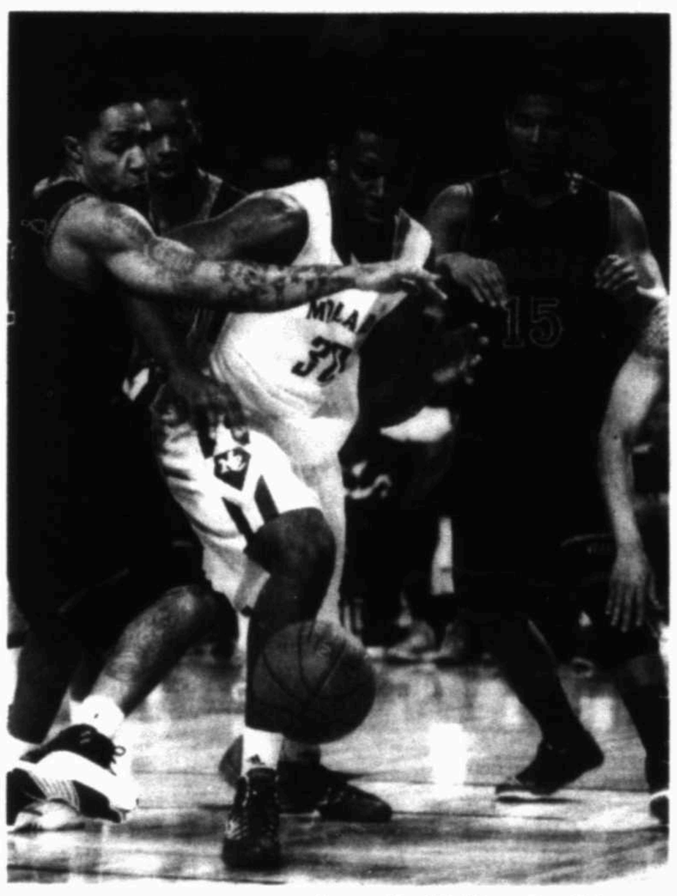
In overtime, the Chaps looked like they finally ran out of gas as OC pulled away for the hard-fought victory.

"There was nothing special we did," Arnold said. "We just made a couple of more plays than we did. That's it."

Gray finished the game with 22 points, while King added 10 for the Wranglers.

For MC, in addition to Walker's 18, Guzonjic added 17 points and 12 rebounds, Domonique Bull chipped in with 12 points and 10 boards, and Herve Aholode had 11 rebounds to go with his five points.

"Collectively, I thought the guys did a good job," Dreiling said. "I thought Herve had a really good effort tonight. I thought Kenan made big, strong plays for us. I think the guys are getting more confident in themselves, but as we know it's a little too late."



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Midland College's Kevin Thomas (30) chases a loose ball with Odessa College's Javandon Staves, left, and Kevin Mays (15) on Thursday at Chaparral Center.

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ODESSA COLLEGE 78, MIDLAND COLLEGE 71, OT

Odessa College (22-6, 10-5) — Josh Gray 7-32 7-8 22; Zeldric King 4-5 2-2 10; Demetrius Martin 1-4 0-0 2; Kevin Mays 8-12 7-9 23; Kevin Scott Jr. 2-7 2-2 7; Isiah Jones 0-2 0-0 0; Chauncy Hall 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 27-78 21-29 78.

Midland College (11-17, 3-12) — Daniel Hernandez 3-12 2-7 9; Domonique Bull 3-12 5-5 12; Jason Frances 2-8 0-0 6; Herve Aholode 2-8 1-5 5; Kenan Guzonjic 6-14 5-6 17; Kevin Thomas 7-23 4-4 22; LeBrent Walker 6-10 5-10 18. Totals 23-77 18-36 71.

Halftime — MC 35, OC 29. End of Regulation: MC 68, OC 68. 3-point goals — OC 3-22 (Gray 1-11, Scott 1-4, Thomas 1-3, Mays 0-1, Jones 0-1). MC 7-24 (Walker 3-4, Frances 2-8, Bull 1-1, Hernandez 1-9, Guzonjic 0-2). Total fouls — OC 25, MC 22. Fouled out — King, Mays. Rebounds — OC 57 (Crockett 12, Mays 11), MC 55 (Guzonjic 12, Aholode 11, Bull 10). Assists — OC 3 (Gray 2), MC 6 (Walker 2, Hernandez 2). Turnovers — OC 12, MC 15.

Next: South Plains College at Midland College, 7:45 p.m. Monday; Odessa College at South Plains College, 7:45 p.m. Feb. 27.

WJCAC men's basketball

Team	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
South Plains	11	3	24	4
Howard College	11	3	23	5
New Mexico JC	10	4	22	5
Odessa College	10	5	22	6
Western Texas	9	5	21	7
Frank Phillips	5	9	15	13
Clarendon College	3	11	8	19
Midland College	3	12	11	17
New Mexico Military	2	12	12	14

Thursday's Scores

Odessa College 78, Midland College 71 OT; Howard College 67, New Mexico Military Institute 58; South Plains College 78, Frank Phillips College 64; Western Texas College 77, Clarendon College 69; New Mexico JC is open

Monday's Games

South Plains College at Midland College; New Mexico JC at Howard College; Western Texas College at Frank Phillips College; Clarendon College at New Mexico Military Institute; Odessa College is open

MHS, Lee golf teams look to shake off rust in Tall City Invite

By Len Hayward
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The top squads for the Lee and Midland High golf teams haven't played a round of competitive golf together since late October.

Which means both teams may be a little rusty on the first few holes of today's Ratcliff/Dunn Tall City Invitational. But after the teams have been dodging cold weather for most of January and February, shaking off some rust might not be surprising.

The Rebels and Bulldogs, though, hope to still be contenders at this weekend's home tournament. The Rebels return a team with plenty of varsity experience, including four-year player Alex Krol.

Meanwhile, senior Lucas McCubbin, who recently inked to play golf at Midland College, leads a group of Bulldogs that have little to no varsity experience.

"I think having that experience they had from last year, and knowing what they've got to do to compete will help," Lee coach Blain Huddleston said. "Just knowing what they have to do to compete makes them understand that the teams aren't just going to hand it to them."

Along with Krol, Blake Roberson has been on the top varsity squad for three years, while Blake Loyd, Brinson Vitello and Carson Good all were part of Lee's top team last season.

Huddleston said the team has potential to not only win this weekend's tournament, but also contend for one of the two precious regional spots in District 2-5A.

"I really think they do if they are all consistent," Huddleston said. "When they are consistent and playing together as a team, I really think they could take a regional spot."

Midland High, meanwhile, will bring one of most inexperienced teams into the tournament in a number of years. Bulldogs coach Billy Mitchell said that McCubbin is the lone senior on a team that features two juniors and two sophomores, and all four of the players don't have a whole lot of varsity experience.

Mitchell said the team has potential to compete in this tournament and later in the district tournament, but he said it's going to take time.

"We're trying to find our identity and really see where we are over the next few weeks," Mitchell said. "None of these guys have played any competitive golf since the West Texas Classic, the last part of October."

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The event

JACK RATCLIFF/BOBBY DUNN TALL CITY INVITATIONAL

When: Today-Saturday

Where: Today, Green Tree Country Club; Saturday, Hogan Park Golf Course (Quail Course)

Note: Today's round will use tee teams at each course, while Saturday will be an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start; Teams will be split into two divisions after today's round. Plus, the tournament's organizers will host a ceremony honoring former Lee coach Bobby Dunn after Saturday's round.

Teams competing

Abilene Cooper, Abilene High, El Paso Coronado, El Paso Franklin, Kermit, Lee, Lubbock Coronado, Lubbock Monterey, Midland Christian, Odessa High, Odessa Permian, San Angelo Central, Wolfforth Frenship

Local Lineups

Lee I: Alex Krol, Blake Roberson, Blake Loyd, Brinson Vitello, Carson Good

Lee II: Bryce Waters, Justin Valdez, Jaxon Fields, Jared Valdez, Chase White

Lee III: Zach Fish, Kutter Massey, Jared Arras, Ethan Hobbs, Cason Vitello

Lee medalists: Dylan Stroope, Nathan Lopez, Davis Baker, Hayden Williams

Midland High I: Lucas McCubbin, Guy Ekstrom, Blake Rasmussen, Zach Hartzer, Caleb Douglas

Midland High II: Grant Jimenez, Brooks Womack, Grant Wood, Daniel Scott, Luke Herbig

Midland Christian: Coleman Houston, Regan Brown, Dakota Phillips, Landon Ballard, TD Reeger-North

2013 Champions

Division I

Team: Odessa Permian Black

Medalist: Tanner Gore, El Paso Coronado

Division II

Team: El Paso Franklin

Today's Tee Times

No. 1 (West Course)

8:30-9 a.m.: Lee II, Odessa Permian II, Odessa High II

9:07-9:37 a.m.: Kermit, Lubbock Monterey, Midland Christian

9:45-10:15 a.m.: Abilene High medalist, El Paso Coronado II, San Angelo Central, Lubbock Coronado

10:22-11:52 a.m.: Abilene Cooper medalist, El Paso Coronado I, Abilene High, Abilene Cooper

No. 10 (East Course)

8:30-9 a.m.: Lee I, Odessa Permian I, Odessa High I

9:07-9:37 a.m.: Lee III, Midland High II, Kermit medalists, Lee medalists, Abilene medalists

9:45-10:15 a.m.: El Paso Franklin, Midland High I, Wolfforth Frenship I

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Midland High's Lucas McCubbin studies his line during a golf tournament last season at Green Tree Country Club.

Garrett ignores lack of job security

By Tom Orsborn
San Antonio Express-News

INDIANAPOLIS — Jason Garrett can't stop talking about the visit he and some members of his staff made last week to one of Larry Brown's SMU basketball practices.

"What a brilliant coach, and so generous," Garrett said. "He's building a culture."

While it took Brown just two seasons to revive the Mustangs, Garrett continues to struggle to return the Dallas Cowboys to NFL prominence.

And, unlike the 73-year-old Brown, time could be running out on Garrett to build something at Valley Ranch.

Revealing Thursday there have been no talks of an extension with owner Jerry Jones, Garrett enters the final year of his contract in a seemingly make-or-break mode, although you'd never tell it from his outward appearance.

At least that was the case at the NFL Scouting Combine, where Garrett looked at ease wearing blue jeans, a snug black pullover sweater, brown loafers and his trademark grin.

"My focus is really on being the best coach I can be each and every day," Garrett said when asked about his job security. "So that's what I think about and that's what I focus on."

But isn't he starting to feel the pressure?

"There's always a sense of urgency," said Garrett, who turns 48 in March. "The best players, coaches and teams live with a sense of urgency 365 days out of the year."

But while Garrett goes about his job in a business-as-usual manner, speculation swirls about whether his players will do the same. Without an extension, he has the appearance of a lame duck, especially after leading the team to three straight 8-8 seasons, all of which ended with Dallas losing playoffs-or-bust finales against NFC East foes.

"We have been close each of the last three years to winning our division, but we haven't gotten that done," said Garrett, who is 29-27 overall since taking over midway through the 2010 season. "We have to live with that reality. We're working hard daily to try to be great as coaches to help our team take the next step."

In an effort to accomplish that goal, Garrett got Jones to sign off on some major staff moves last month. It began with the demotion of play-caller Bill Callahan and the hiring of Garrett-pal Scott Linehan to replace him.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL SCORES

Men

THURSDAY'S SCORES

SOUTHWEST

Arkansas St. 83, Texas-Arlington 60
New Mexico St. 78, Texas-Pan American 61
Texas A&M 63, Alabama 48
Texas St. 67, South Alabama 66, OT

SOUTH

Belmont 82, E. Illinois 63
East Carolina 75, Louisiana Tech 68
Georgia Southern 77, Chattanooga 61
Georgia St. 75, Louisiana-Monroe 60
Jacksonville 91, ETSU 86
Louisiana-Lafayette 78, Troy 63
Middle Tennessee 71, Charlotte 49
New Orleans 67, SE Louisiana 58
North Carolina 74, Duke 66
North Texas 65, FIU 63
Old Dominion 55, Rice 51
SC-Upstate 81, North Florida 70
Southern Miss 85, UTSA 56
Tennessee St. 66, SIU-Edwardsville 61
Tennessee Tech 91, UT-Martin 83
Tulsa 71, FAU 52
UAB 68, Marshall 62
UTEP 72, Tulane 54
W. Carolina 74, Appalachian St. 61
Wofford 70, Furman 50

MIDWEST

CS Bakersfield 74, UMKC 69
Green Bay 67, Valparaiso 53
Michigan St. 94, Purdue 79
N. Illinois 81, E. Michigan 59, 3OT
Nebraska 80, Penn St. 67
SE Missouri 87, Jacksonville St. 70
South Dakota 67, Nebraska-Omaha 66
Toledo 60, Bowling Green 58
Utah Valley 78, Chicago St. 70
Youngstown St. 98, Milwaukee 83, OT

FAR WEST

Denver 75, W. Illinois 67
Montana 68, Weber St. 57
Montana St. 66, Idaho St. 60
N. Colorado 74, N. Arizona 59
Oregon St. 68, Washington St. 57
Portland St. 86, S. Utah 79
Sacramento St. 71, North Dakota 65
San Diego 61, Portland 59

EAST

Fairfield 72, Niagara 66
Fairleigh Dickinson 83, Bryant 52
Memphis 64, Rutgers 59
Mount St. Mary's 87, CCSU 76
Quinnipiac 86, Canisius 81
Robert Morris 73, LIU Brooklyn 64
Seton Hall 82, Georgetown 67
St. Francis (NY) 73, St. Francis (Pa.) 44
St. Peter's 58, Marist 57
Towson 79, Northeastern 70
UConn 68, Temple 55
Wagner 74, Sacred Heart 62

Women

THURSDAY'S SCORES

SOUTHWEST

UTSA 61, East Carolina 60
Vanderbilt 56, Arkansas 50

SOUTH

Alabama 72, Mississippi St. 64, OT
Clemson 72, Boston College 67
Coastal Carolina 85, Charleston Southern 70
Coll. of Charleston 67, UNC Wilmington 53
Duke 83, NC State 70
ETSU 63, Kennesaw St. 60
Florida Gulf Coast 62, Jacksonville 43
Georgia 71, LSU 67
High Point 78, Gardner-Webb 63
Liberty 64, UNC Asheville 49
Maryland 87, Florida St. 77
Mercer 79, SC-Upstate 71
Missouri 81, Florida 76
North Carolina 80, Virginia 74
Notre Dame 86, Wake Forest 61
Presbyterian 58, Campbell 53
SE Louisiana 76, New Orleans 59
South Carolina 81, Kentucky 58
Stetson 87, North Florida 59
Syracuse 69, Miami 48
Tennessee 93, Auburn 63
Texas A&M 73, Mississippi 61
Virginia Tech 69, Pittsburgh 62
Winthrop 63, Longwood 35

FAR WEST

Grand Canyon 72, Seattle 66
Idaho St. 75, Montana St. 65
N. Colorado 62, Sacramento St. 55
New Mexico St. 83, Texas-Pan American 71
Saint Mary's (Cal) 83, San Francisco 64
Utah Valley 84, Chicago St. 62
Weber St. 56, Montana 54

MIDWEST

Ball St. 80, Miami (Ohio) 70
Michigan St. 76, Wisconsin 66
Nebraska 67, Ohio St. 59
Nebraska-Omaha 69, South Dakota 61
North Dakota 71, N. Arizona 41
Purdue 63, Minnesota 42
W. Illinois 79, Denver 76

EAST

Canisius 56, St. Peter's 43
Holstra 63, Northeastern 58
Iona 78, Niagara 62
James Madison 72, Delaware 61
Penn St. 82, Northwestern 73
Quinnipiac 76, Siena 66
Towson 75, William & Mary 69

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US women lose hockey gold

Canada.....3
United States.....2 (OT)

By Greg Beacham
Associated Press

SOCHI, Russia — A two-goal lead blown in the final four minutes. A long shot that clanged off the post on an empty net. Two perplexing penalties in overtime, setting up a golden goal for Canada.

The U.S. women's hockey team has lost late in the last four Olympics, but never in such preposterously heart-breaking fashion as this 3-2 defeat on Thursday night.

While the Canadians received their fourth straight gold medals, the Americans were left blank-faced or crying at Bolshoy Ice Dome. Sixteen years after the first generation of U.S. players won the inaugural Olympic tournament, these Americans thought Canada's Olympic mastery over them had finally waned.

Instead, they've got four more years to think about how the Canadians manage to seize their sport's biggest moment while the U.S. gets left holding silver.

"To let them come back in the gold-medal game at the Olympics is the worst feeling in the world," said Kelli Stack, who nearly became an improbable hero with a long clearing attempt that hit the right post of an empty net late in regulation.

Stack actually knew she hadn't scored when she flipped the puck down the ice in the waning seconds. From her vantage point, she could tell it was going to hit the post even before that clunk of rubber against metal.

"If it would have been an inch to the right, it would have went in, and we would have won the gold medal," said Stack, shaking her head. "When pucks don't bounce your way, you've just got to know that it wasn't meant to be."

David Goldman/AP

The United States' Meghan Duggan of the United States, right, reacts after Canada won, 3-2, in overtime of the gold medal women's ice hockey game at the Winter Olympics on Wednesday in Sochi, Russia.

Everything seemed dramatically different in the first 56 minutes. With a 2-0 lead, U.S. goalie Jessie Vetter appeared to be eminently capable of shutting out Canada for the first time in Olympic history, and the small contingent of U.S. fans was bouncing in its seats.

"I just kept thinking 'We're going to win,'" U.S. captain Meghan Duggan said. "I looked over at one of our goaltenders, I said, 'There's no way they're going to score two goals on Vetts. She's hot right now.'"

What happened next is what Dughan calls "crazy mode" — those frantic final minutes of a hockey game when the goalie skates to the bench and her teammates try anything to will the puck into the net.

The Bolshoy got crazy, all right. Brianne Jenner scored with 3:26 to play, banking a wide-flying shot off Kacey Bellamy's knee.

"Bad puck luck," Bellamy said.

Poulin's tying goal was another bad break: Vetter attempted a poke-check after the puck came out from behind the net, but it somehow went straight to Canada's soft-spoken Quebecois hero.

Even during the break before overtime, the Americans remained confident. Stack recalled only encouragement in the dressing room at a time when the Americans had expected to be celebrating.

And then in overtime, the whistles started.

Neither team could understand the referees' eagerness to call penalties in an Olympic overtime, which is already 4-on-4 hockey. Just 6 seconds after Canada's Catherine Ward was sent off for a big hit near the net, Jocelyne Lamoureux was penalized for slashing on a single whack at Shannon Szabados' pads with the puck underneath them.

"It stinks to go into an overtime in an up-and-down game and have so many penalties called," Stack said. "It would have been great if we could have played 4-on-4 for 20 minutes or whatever."

Rangers' Harrison dealing with back issues again

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

SURPRISE, Ariz. — Matt Harrison had been throwing for a couple of months with no problems when he got to spring training, ready to come back after making only two starts for the Texas Rangers last season.

On the first day of full-squad workouts Thursday, the former All-Star left-hander had back stiffness that prevented him from throwing batting practice.

The Rangers planned an MRI for Harrison. The pitcher is also expected to return to Texas for an examination by the doctor who did two operations on his back last year when he was the team's opening-day starter.

"There's obviously some concern there from what happened last year," Harrison said. "I just hope that it's not a serious issue and something I can take a few days down and stay on top of my core program and get right back out there, and hopefully that's the case. But it's not fair to say that I'm not worried about it, because I've had a lot of issues recently."

Harrison had also been scheduled to throw live BP on Tuesday, but the Rangers held him out of that as a precaution because of neck stiffness even though he still wanted to throw. He first felt the discomfort in his back a day later, and it was worse when he woke up Thursday.

"I'm not going to argue with them this time, especially because I know how it ended up last year, having surgery," he said. "I may have pushed it too far last year. So we're still in spring training, and get it taken care of now."

General manager Jon Daniels said Harrison "won't be doing any baseball activities," but can still do his core program and back strengthening work.

Harrison was examined Thursday at camp by team physician Dr. Keith Meister, and is expected to go home to see Dr. Drew Dossett on Monday.

"Obviously you hope for the best, but after what he went through last year, there's a level of concern. I feel terrible for him," Daniels said. "Hopefully, this is just some kind of irritation involved with getting going, and he can push through it, prescribe some sort of medication or something like that and get him going."

Astros look to rebound after 3 100-loss seasons

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

KISSIMMEE, Fla. — Stray pen marks covered the hands of Mark Appel, a bead of sweat dripped off the end of his nose and more sweat trickled down both of his arms.

Last year's top overall pick threw for the first time on Thursday since an emergency appendectomy last month, but that didn't stop the Houston starter from taking time to sign an autograph for each of the dozens of fans who asked for his signature as he left the field.

After three straight 100-loss seasons, Appel and other up-and-coming prospects have infused this team with optimism. And, as one of the future faces of the franchise, Appel is more than happy to work both on and off the field to be the kind of player worthy of such a tag.

"We want to be successful at the major league level, we want to be in the playoffs year in and year out and we want to win a World Series," said Appel, who threw a 22-pitch bullpen session Thursday. "Any way I can be a part of that, that's what I'm here for."

The polished Appel made 10 starts between Tri-City and Low-A Quad-Cities last season and could be on a fast track to the majors, though it's unlikely that he'll be in Houston before 2015.

But he's just one of several youngsters who have helped Houston's minor league system rank as one of the best in baseball. Outfielder George Springer and first baseman Jonathan Singleton could both be ready this season, which would be a boost to a team that lost a franchise-record 111 games last season.

Springer hit 37 homers and 108 RBI with 45 stolen bases combined in Double-A and Triple-A last year. Singleton, who has been ranked as the top first-base prospect in baseball, looks to rebound from a tough 2013 when he served a 50-game drug suspension.

OLYMPICROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

FIGURE SKATING: The 17-year-old Sotnikova's victory dropped defending champion Yuna Kim into second place. Julia Lipnitskaia, the Russian sensation with the weight of a nation on her 15-year-old shoulders, again fell during her routine and ended up fifth. Carolina Kostner of Italy took bronze. The Russians have won three figure skating gold medals at the Sochi Olympics: team, pairs and women's. Only the women's was a surprise.

FREESTYLE: The 20-year-old Bowman edged silver-medalist Marie Martinod of France in ski halfpipe, while Ayana Onozuka of Japan took the bronze. Bowman put together a pair of athletic runs that produced the two highest scores in the finals. In the men's skicross, Jean Frederic Chapuis won the gold to lead the French 1-2-3 finish. Arnaud Bovolenta won silver and Jonathan Midol captured bronze.

NORDIC COMBINED: Norway finished third in the ski jumping and had to start the 20-kilometer race behind. But cross-country ski specialist Mangus Moan made up the deficit on the first leg and Norway outdueled Germany and defending champion Austria in the relay. Germany, which had the lead after the ski jump, took silver and Austria got the bronze.

CURLING: Canada's 6-3 gold medal victory in women's Olympic curling came at the expense of Sweden, which had beaten the Canadians for the title in Vancouver four years ago. Britain won the bronze by beating Switzerland 6-5.

WINTER OLYMPICS RESULTS

SOCHI 2014 OLYMPICS

Medal count

COUNTRY	G	S	B	TOT
United States	8	6	11	25
Russia	7	9	7	23
Netherlands	6	7	9	22
Norway	10	4	7	21
Canada	7	9	4	20
Germany	8	4	4	16
France	4	4	7	15
Sweden	2	6	4	12
Switzerland	6	3	2	11
Austria	2	6	2	10
Czech Republic	2	4	2	8
Japan	1	4	3	8
Italy	0	2	6	8
Slovenia	2	1	4	7
Belarus	5	0	1	6
China	3	2	1	6
South Korea	2	2	1	5
Poland	4	0	0	4
Finland	1	3	0	4
Britain	1	0	2	3
Australia	0	2	1	3
Latvia	0	1	2	3
Slovakia	1	0	0	1
Croatia	0	1	0	1
Kazakhstan	0	0	1	1
Ukraine	0	0	1	1

Today's Schedule
Subject to change
Alpine Skiing
Women's Slalom, first run, 8:45 a.m.
Women's Slalom, second run, 11:15 a.m.
Biathlon
Women's 4x6km relay, 8:30 a.m.
Curling
Men
Bronze Medal
Sweden vs. China, 2:30 a.m.
Gold Medal
Britain vs. Canada, 7:30 a.m.
Freestyle Skiing
Women's Ski Cross, 1:45 a.m.
Women's Ski Cross, 3:30 a.m.
Ice Hockey
Men
Semifinals
Sweden vs. Finland, 6 a.m.
Canada vs. United States, 11 a.m.
Short Track Speedskating
Men's 500 Quarterfinals, 10:30 a.m.
Women's 1000 Quarterfinals, 10:45 a.m.
Men's 500 Semifinals, 11:15 a.m.
Women's 1000 Semifinals, 11:25 a.m.
Men's 500 Final, 11:45 a.m.
Women's 1000 Final, 11:55 a.m.
Men's 5000 Relay Final, 12:20 p.m.
Speedskating
Men's Team pursuit Quarterfinals, 7:30 a.m.
Women's Team pursuit Quarterfinals, 8:20 a.m.
Men's Team pursuit Semifinals, 9:10 a.m.

Today's TV Schedule
NBC
2:4 p.m. — Women's Freestyle Skiing, Ski Cross Gold Medal Final; Women's Biathlon 4x6km Relay Gold Medal Final
7:10 p.m. — Women's Alpine Skiing, Slalom Gold Medal Final; Men's Short Track 500 Gold Medal Final; 5000 Relay Gold Medal Final; Women's Short Track 1000 Gold Medal Final; Men's Speedskating, Team Pursuit Semifinals
11:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. — Women's Speedskating, Team Pursuit Quarterfinals
12:30-3:30 a.m. — Primetime Encore
NBCSN
2:5:30 a.m. — Men's Curling, Bronze Medal Game (LIVE); Women's Freestyle Skiing, Ski Cross Competition (LIVE)
5:30-8:30 a.m. — Men's Hockey, Semifinal (LIVE)
8:30-10:45 a.m. — Women's Biathlon, 4x6km Relay Gold Medal Final (LIVE); Women's Freestyle Skiing, Ski Cross Gold Medal Final
10:45 a.m.-2 p.m. — Men's Hockey, Semifinal (LIVE)
2:4 p.m. — Hockey Encore
4:6 p.m. — Game of the Day: Hockey
4:7 p.m. — Men's Curling, Gold Medal Final

Thursday's medalists
CURLING
Women
GOLD—Canada (Jennifer Jones, Kaitlyn Lawes, Jill Officer, Dawn McEwen, Kirsten Wall)
SILVER—Sweden (Maria Prytz, Christina Bertrup, Maria Wennerstroem, Margaretha Sigfridsson, Agnes Knochenhauer)
BRONZE—Britain (Eve Muirhead, Anna Sloan, Vicki Adams, Claire Hamilton, Lauren Gray)
FIGURE SKATING
Women
GOLD—Adelina Sotnikova, Russia
SILVER—Kim Yuna, South Korea
BRONZE—Carolina Kostner, Italy
FREESTYLE SKIING
Men
Ski Cross
GOLD—Jean Frederic Chapuis, France
SILVER—Arnaud Bovolenta, France
BRONZE—Jonathan Midol, France Women
Halfpipe
GOLD—Maddie Bowman, South Lake Tahoe, Calif.
SILVER—Marie Martinod, France
BRONZE—Ayana Onozuka, Japan
ICE HOCKEY
Women
GOLD—Canada (Shannon Szabados, Meghan Agosta, Jocelyne Lamoureux, Lauriane Rougeau, Rebecca Johnston, Laura Fortino, Jennifer Wakefield, Gillian Apps, Meaghan Mikkelson, Caroline Ouellette, Melodie Daoust, Jayna Hefford, Catherine Ward, Brianne Jenner, Haley Irwin, Hayley Wickenheiser, Natalie Spooner, Tara Watchorn, Marie-Philip Poulin, Genevieve Lacasse, Charlene Labonte)
SILVER—United States (Lee Stecklein, Monique Lamoureux, Megan Bozek, Meghan Duggan, Julie Chu, Brianna Decker, Anne Schleper, Kelli Stack, Jocelyne Lamoureux, Lindsey Fry, Gigi Marvin, Hilary Knight, Kacey Bellamy, Michelle Picard, Josephine Pucci, Alex Carpenter, Kendall Coyne, Amanda Kessel, Brianne McLaughlin, Bitte, Molly Schaus, Jessie Vetter)
BRONZE—Switzerland (Janine Alder, Katrin Nabholz, Sarah Forster, Julia Marty, Lara Stalder, Stefanie Marty, Nicole Bullo, Angela Frautsch, Sara Benz, Evelina Raselli, Nina Waetscher, Jessica Lutz, Laura Benz, Livia Altmann, Alina Muller, Sophie Anthamatten, Florence Schelling, Romy Eggimann, Anja Stettler, Phoebe Stanz, Sandra Thalmann)
NORDIC COMBINED
Men
Team
GOLD—Norway (Magnus Hovdal Moan, Haavard Klemetsen, Magnus Krog, Joergen Graabak)
SILVER—Germany (Eric Frenzel, Bjoern Kircheisen, Johannes Rydzek, Fabian Riessle)
BRONZE—Austria (Lukas Klapfer, Christoph Bieler, Bernhard Gruber, Mario Stecher)
Thursday's U.S. Olympians Fared
FIGURE SKATING
Women
Free Skate
5. Gracie Gold, Chicago, 136.90.
7. Ashley Wagner, Alexandria, Va., 127.99.
9. Polina Edmunds, San Jose, Calif., 122.21.
Final Ranking
(Short and free programs in parentheses)
4. Gracie Gold, Chicago (4, 68.63; 5, 136.90), 205.53.
7. Ashley Wagner, Alexandria, Va. (6, 65.21; 7, 127.99), 193.20.
9. Polina Edmunds, San Jose, Calif. (7, 61.04; 9, 122.21), 183.25.
FREESTYLE SKIING
Men
Ski Cross
Seeding
20. John Teller, Mammoth Lakes, Calif. (Q), 1:18.14. Round 1
Heat 4 — NR. John Teller, Mammoth Lakes, Calif., DNF
Women
Halfpipe
Qualifying
Run 1
1. Brita Sigourney, Carmel, Calif., 87.00.
3. Maddie Bowman, South Lake Tahoe, Calif., 85.60.
10. Angeli VanLaanen, Bellingham, Wash., 68.20.
12. Annalisa Drew, Andover, Mass., 61.20.
Run 2
2. Maddie Bowman, South Lake Tahoe, Calif., 85.60; 85.20; 85.20.
3. Angeli VanLaanen, Bellingham, Wash., 68.20; 83.00; 83.00.
4. Brita Sigourney, Carmel, Calif., 87.00; 80.40; 80.40.
8. Annalisa Drew, Andover, Mass., 61.20; 72.40; 72.40. Ranking
2. Brita Sigourney, Carmel, Calif., 87.00; 80.40; 87.00 (Q).
3. Maddie Bowman, South Lake Tahoe, Calif., 85.60; 85.20; 85.60 (Q).
5. Angeli VanLaanen, Bellingham, Wash., 68.20; 83.00; 83.00 (Q).
11. Annalisa Drew, Andover, Mass., 61.20; 72.40; 72.40 (Q). Finals
Run 1
1. Maddie Bowman, South Lake Tahoe, Calif., 85.80.
7. Annalisa Drew, Andover, Mass., 66.40.
8. Brita Sigourney, Carmel, Calif., 27.80.
10. Angeli VanLaanen, Bellingham, Wash., 13.80. Run 2
1. Maddie Bowman, South Lake Tahoe, Calif., 85.80; 89.00; 89.00.
5. Brita Sigourney, Carmel, Calif., 27.80; 76.00; 76.00.
9. Angeli VanLaanen, Bellingham, Wash., 13.80; 29.60; 29.60.
11. Annalisa Drew, Andover, Mass., 66.40; 9.60; 9.60. Final Ranking
1. Maddie Bowman, South Lake Tahoe, Calif., 85.80; 89.00; 89.00.
6. Brita Sigourney, Carmel, Calif., 27.80; 76.00; 76.00.
9. Annalisa Drew, Andover, Mass., 66.40; 9.60; 66.40.
11. Angeli VanLaanen, Bellingham, Wash., 13.80; 29.60; 29.60.
NORDIC COMBINED
Men
Team
(Jump and 4X5km race in parentheses)
6. United States (Bryan Fletcher, Steamboat Springs, Colo.; Todd Lodwick, Steamboat Springs, Colo.; Taylor Fletcher, Steamboat Springs, Colo.; Billy Demong, Vermontville, N.Y.); (8, 397.6, +1:52.5, 47:43.1, +34.6) 49:35.1, +2:21.6
Women's Olympics Hockey
Tuesday
Seventh Place
Germany 3, Japan 2
Fifth Place
Finland 4, Russia 0
Thursday
Bronze Medal
Switzerland 4, Sweden 3
Gold Medal
Canada 3, United States 2, OT
Men's Olympics Hockey
Wednesday
Quarterfinals
Sweden 5, Slovenia 0
Finland 3, Russia 1
Canada 2, Latvia 1
United States 5, Czech Republic 2
Today
Semifinals
Sweden vs. Finland, 6 a.m.
Canada vs. United States, 11 a.m.
Saturday
Bronze Medal
Sweden-Finland loser vs. Canada-United States loser, 9 a.m.
Sunday
Gold Medal
Sweden-Finland winner vs. Canada-United States winner, 7 a.m.

AUTORACING

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Sprint Cup

Budweiser Duel 1 Results
Thursday
At Daytona International Speedway
Daytona Beach, Fla.
Lap length: 2.5 miles
(Start position in parentheses)
1. (9) Matt Kenseth, Toyota, 60 laps, 120.7 rating, 0 points, $56,726.
2. (10) Kasey Kahne, Chevrolet, 60, 103.1, 0, $36,713.
3. (6) Marcos Ambrose, Ford, 60, 95.2, 0, $31,713.
4. (4) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 60, 118.9, 0, $29,713.
5. (22) Josh Wise, Ford, 60, 68.8, 0, $27,313.
6. (7) Aric Almirola, Ford, 60, 93.9, 0, $26,213.
7. (14) A. J. Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 60, 90.7, 0, $25,213.
8. (16) David Gilliland, Ford, 60, 88.6, 0, $25,188.
9. (3) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 60, 75, 0, $25,163.
10. (18) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 60, 63.6, 0, $25,138.
11. (20) Cole Whitt, Toyota, 60, 77.4, 0, $25,113.
12. (2) Greg Biffle, Ford, 60, 81.3, 0, $25,088.
13. (13) Danica Patrick, Chevrolet, 60, 59.3, 0, $25,063.
14. (24) Alex Bowman, Toyota, 60, 45.6, 0, $25,038.
15. (19) Brian Vickers, Toyota, 60, 49.7, 0, $25,013.
16. (8) Joey Logano, Ford, 60, 62.4, 0, $24,988.
17. (17) Parker Kligerman, Toyota, 60, 54.1, 0, $24,938.
18. (1) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 60, 67.2, 0, $24,913.
19. (5) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 60, 47.8, 0, $24,888.
20. (11) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 60, 36.3, 0, $24,838.
21. (21) Michael McDowell, Ford, 59, 27.8, 0, $24,763.
22. (23) Joe Nemechek, Toyota, 59, 29.8, 0, $24,763.
23. (15) Reed Sorenson, Chevrolet, wheel bearing, 20, 26.6, 0, $24,738.
24. (12) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, disqualified, 60, 87, 0, $41,713.
Race Statistics
Average Speed of Race Winner: 192.259 mph.
Time of Race: 0 hours, 46 minutes, 49 seconds.
Margin of Victory: 0.022 seconds.
Caution Flags: 0 for 0 laps.
Lead Changes: 5 among 4 drivers.
Lap Leaders: A. Dillon 1-14. D.Earnhardt Jr. 15-27. M.Kenseth 28-36. D.Earnhardt Jr. 37. K.Kahne 38. M.Kenseth 39-60.
Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): M.Kenseth, 2 times for 31 laps. D.Earnhardt Jr., 2 times for 14 laps. A.Dillon, 1 time for 14 laps. K.Kahne, 1 time for 1 lap.
NASCAR Driver Rating Formula
A maximum of 150 points can be attained in a race.
The formula combines the following categories: Wins, Finishes, Top-15 Finishes, Average Running Position While on Lead Lap, Average Speed Under Green, Fastest Lap, Led Most Laps, Lead-Lap Finish.

Budweiser Duel 2 Results
Thurr ·«
At Daytona Interna...nal Speedway
Daytona Beach, Fla.
Lap length: 2.5 miles
(Start position in parentheses)
1. (11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 60 laps, 107.9 rating, 0 points, $56,726.
2. (4) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 60, 107.7, 0, $41,713.
3. (14) Kurt Busch, Chevrolet, 60, 102.9, 0, $36,713.
4. (5) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 60, 79.4, 0, $31,713.
5. (6) Brian Scott, Chevrolet, 60, 98, 0, $29,713.
6. (13) Trevor Bayne, Ford, 60, 81.2, 0, $27,313.
7. (12) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 60, 80.2, 0, $26,213.
8. (1) Martin Truex Jr., Chevrolet, 60, 70.4, 0, $25,213.
9. (16) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 60, 72.2, 0, $25,188.
10. (10) Clint Bowyer, Toyota, 60, 73.8, 0, $25,163.
11. (19) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 60, 77.2, 0, $25,138.
12. (21) Terry Labonte, Ford, 60, 50.7, 0, $25,113.
13. (22) Bobby Labonte, Chevrolet, 60, 50.9, 0, $25,088.
14. (8) Casey Mears, Chevrolet, 60, 71.1, 0, $25,063.
15. (2) Carl Edwards, Ford, 60, 85, 0, $25,038.
16. (7) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, accident, 59, 67.7, 0, $25,013.
17. (20) David Ragan, Ford, accident, 59, 69.5, 0, $24,988.
18. (17) Michael Waltrip, Toyota, accident, 59, 67.8, 0, $24,938.
19. (23) Ryan Truex, Toyota, 59, 30.6, 0, $24,913.
20. (15) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 59, 33, 0, $24,888.
21. (9) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, 59, 34.6, 0, $24,838.
22. (24) Morgan Shepherd, Toyota, 59, 26.6, 0, $24,813.
23. (18) Eric McClure, Ford, 57, 34.6, 0, $24,763.
24. (3) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 57, 92.5, 0, $24,738.
Race Statistics
Average Speed of Race Winner: 192.651 mph.
Time of Race: 0 hours, 46 minutes, 43 seconds.
Margin of Victory: 0.022 seconds.
Caution Flags: 1 for 1 laps.
Lead Changes: 3 among 4 drivers.
Lap Leaders: M.Truex Jr. 1. B.Keselowski, 2-35. C.Mears 36-37. D.Hamlin 38-60.
Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): B.Keselowski, 1 time for 34 laps. D.Hamlin, 1 time for 23 laps. C.Mears, 1 time for 2 laps. M.Truex Jr., 1 time for 1 lap.
NASCAR Driver Rating Formula
A maximum of 150 points can be attained in a race.
The formula combines the following categories: Wins, Finishes, Top-15 Finishes, Average Running Position While on Lead Lap, Average Speed Under Green, Fastest Lap, Led Most Laps, Lead-Lap Finish.

Daytona 500 Lineup
After Thursday qualifying; race Sunday
At Daytona International Speedway
Daytona Beach, Fla.
Lap length: 2.5 miles
(Car number in parentheses)
1. (9) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 196.019
2. (78) Martin Truex Jr., Chevrolet, 195.852
3. (20) Matt Kenseth, Toyota, 194.574
4. (11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 194.477
5. (5) Kasey Kahne, Chevrolet, 194.544
6. (24) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 195.342
7. (9) Marcos Ambrose, Ford, 194.894
8. (41) Kurt Busch, Chevrolet, 194.078
9. (88) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 195.21
10. (27) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 194.915
11. (98) Josh Wise, Ford, 192.061
12. (33) Brian Scott, Chevrolet, 194.776
13. (43) Aric Almirola, Ford, 194.658
14. (21) Trevor Bayne, Ford, 194.334
15. (47) A. J. Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 194.108
16. (42) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 194.4
17. (38) David Gilliland, Ford, 193.736
18. (40) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 193.732
19. (31) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 195.757
20. (15) Clint Bowyer, Toyota, 194.523
21. (14) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 193.365
22. (1) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 192.695
23. (26) Cole Whitt, Toyota, 192.538
24. (32) Terry Labonte, Ford, 192.135
25. (16) Greg Biffle, Ford, 195.818
26. (43) Bobby Labonte, Chevrolet, 191.493
27. (10) Danica Patrick, Chevrolet, 194.38
28. (13) Casey Mears, Chevrolet, 194.580
29. (23) Alex Bowman, Toyota, 189.945
30. (99) Carl Edwards, Ford, 195.112
31. (55) Brian Vickers, Toyota, 192.798
32. (48) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 194.637
33. (2) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 195.296
34. (17) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 195.004
35. (22) Joey Logano, Ford, 194.987
36. (7) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, 194.574
37. (18) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 194.502
38. (4) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 194.422
39. (36) Reed Sorenson, Chevrolet, 194.966
40. (51) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 193.815
41. (30) Parker Kligerman, Toyota, 193.594
42. (66) Michael Waltrip, Toyota, 193.428
43. (34) David Ragan, Ford, 192.328. Failed to Qualify
44. (83) Ryan Truex, Toyota, 190.347
45. (95) Michael McDowell, Ford, 192.291
46. (87) Joe Nemechek, Toyota, 191.48
47. (93) Morgan Shepherd, Toyota, 189.542
48. (35) Eric McClure, Ford, 192.905
49. (77) Dave Blaney, Ford,

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STANDINGS
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	29	25	.537	—
Brooklyn	25	27	.481	3
New York	21	33	.389	8
Boston	19	36	.345	10 1/2
Philadelphia	15	40	.273	14 1/2

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	39	14	.736	—
Washington	26	28	.481	13 1/2
Atlanta	25	28	.472	14
Charlotte	25	30	.455	15
Orlando	16	40	.286	24 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	41	13	.759	—
Chicago	28	25	.528	12 1/2
Detroit	22	32	.407	19
Cleveland	22	33	.400	19 1/2
Milwaukee	10	44	.185	31

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	40	15	.727	—
Houston	37	17	.685	2 1/2
Dallas	32	23	.582	8
Memphis	30	23	.566	9
New Orleans	23	30	.434	16

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	43	13	.768	—
Portland	36	18	.667	6
Minnesota	26	28	.481	16
Denver	25	28	.472	16 1/2
Utah	19	34	.358	22 1/2

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Clippers	37	19	.661	—
Phoenix	32	21	.604	3 1/2
Golden State	32	22	.593	4
L.A. Lakers	18	36	.333	18
Sacramento	18	36	.333	18

Thursday's Scores
Miami 103, Oklahoma City 81
Denver 101, Milwaukee 90
Houston at Golden State, late
Today's Games
New York at Orlando, 6 p.m.
Dallas at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
New Orleans at Charlotte, 6 p.m.
Cleveland at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Atlanta at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Denver at Chicago, 7 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Memphis, 7 p.m.
San Antonio at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Utah at Portland, 9 p.m.
Boston at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

THURSDAY'S BOXES
NUGGETS 101, BUCKS 90
DENVER (101): Randolph 3-11 1-4 8, Faried 11-15 4-5 26, Hickson 6-9 2-7 14, Foye 5-12 0-0 12, Chandler 6-8 0-0 15, Fournier 3-9 0-0 7, Mozgov 3-8 8-10 14, Arthur 2-6 0-0 5. Totals 39-76 15-28 101.
MILWAUKEE (90): Butler 7-17 2-3 17, Ilyasova 5-14 3-4 14, Pachulia 1-5 3-4 5, Wolters 6-14 0-0 12, Middleton 2-9 2-2 6, Henson 6-8 0-0 12, Antetokounmpo 3-7 4-5 11, Mayo 5-8 0-0 11, Radulica 0-0 2-2 2. Totals 35-82 16-20 90.

Denver	31	19	28	23—101
Milwaukee	22	20	25	23—90

3-Point Goals—Denver 8-18 (Chandler 3-3, Foye 2-6, Arthur 1-1, Randolph 1-4, Fournier 1-4), Milwaukee 4-21 (Antetokounmpo 1-3, Ilyasova 1-3, Butler 1-4, Mayo 1-4, Wolters 0-2, Middleton 0-5). Fouled Out—Mozgov. Rebounds—Denver 51 (Hickson 10), Milwaukee 48 (Ilyasova 11). Assists—Denver 22 (Foye 10), Milwaukee 15 (Wolters 5). Total Fouls—Denver 20, Milwaukee 20. A—11,186 (18,717).

HEAT 103, THUNDER 81
MIAMI (103): James 15-22 2-5 33, Bosh 1-8 0-0 2, Bosh 4-9 11-12 24, Chalmers 4-7 0-1 9, Wade 11-17 2-2 24, Allen 2-6 1-1 6, Andersen 0-0 0-0 0, Cole 2-6 0-0 5. Totals 41-75 16-21 103.
OKLAHOMA CITY (81): Durant 10-22 7-10 28, Ibaka 5-11 4-6 14, Perkins 0-0 0-0 0, Westbrook 4-12 8-10 16, Sabonis 1-3 0-0 2, Jackson 3-8 3-3 9, Lamb 1-9 0-0 2, Fisher 1-3 0-0 2, Collison 0-1 0-0 0, Pulons 3-5 1-1 8, Adams 0-0 0-0 0, Robinson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 28-74 23-30 81.

Miami	34	20	22	27—103
Oklahoma City	17	30	18	16—81

3-Point Goals—Miami 5-21 (Bosh 1-2, Cole 1-2, Chalmers 1-3, Allen 1-3, James 1-5, Battier 0-6), Oklahoma City 2-20 (Pulons 1-1, Durant 1-8, Ibaka 0-1, Jackson 0-2, Fisher 0-2, Westbrook 0-2, Lamb 0-6). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Miami 48 (Andersen, Bosh 8), Oklahoma City 44 (Durant, Ibaka 8). Assists—Miami 24 (Wade 10), Oklahoma City 15 (Jackson 5). Total Fouls—Miami 20, Oklahoma City 24. Technicals—Westbrook. A—18,203 (18,203).

TODAY: Sunny High: 69 Low: 48

SATURDAY: Mostly sunny High: 82 Low: 47

SUNDAY: Partly sunny High: 76 Low: 45

MONDAY: Mostly sunny High: 68 Low: 47

TUESDAY: Sunny High: 64 Low: 37

WEDNESDAY: Partly sunny High: 62 Low: 48

Local forecast

Expect sunny skies today with a high around 69 and south winds between 5 and 15 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy conditions with a low around 48 and south winds between 10 and 15 mph.

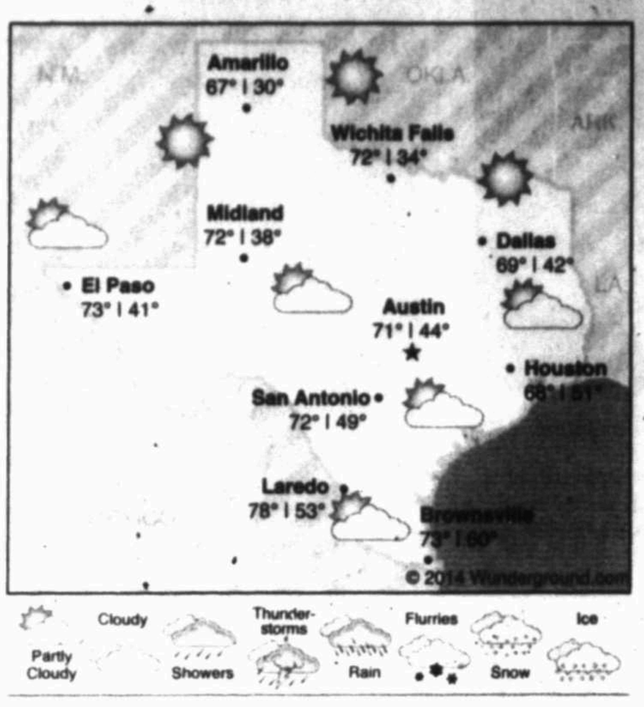
Saturday, look for mostly sunny skies with a high around 82 and southwest winds between 5 and 10 mph. Expect partly cloudy conditions at night, with a low around 47 and southwest winds around 10 mph.

Sunday, the forecast calls for partly sunny skies during the day, mostly cloudy skies at night, a high around 76 and a low around 45.

The high on Thursday reached 71, while the low dropped to 53. The record high for Feb. 20 is 86 set in 1986. The record low is 18 set in 1955.

National forecast

Showers, wind gusts and thunderstorms will stretch from northern Florida to the Mid-Atlantic states and part of New England on today. These conditions will develop along a cold front. A few areas will experience wind gusts up to 60 mph and flash flooding. Small stream flooding due to melting snow may affect parts of the Northeast and the Great Lakes.

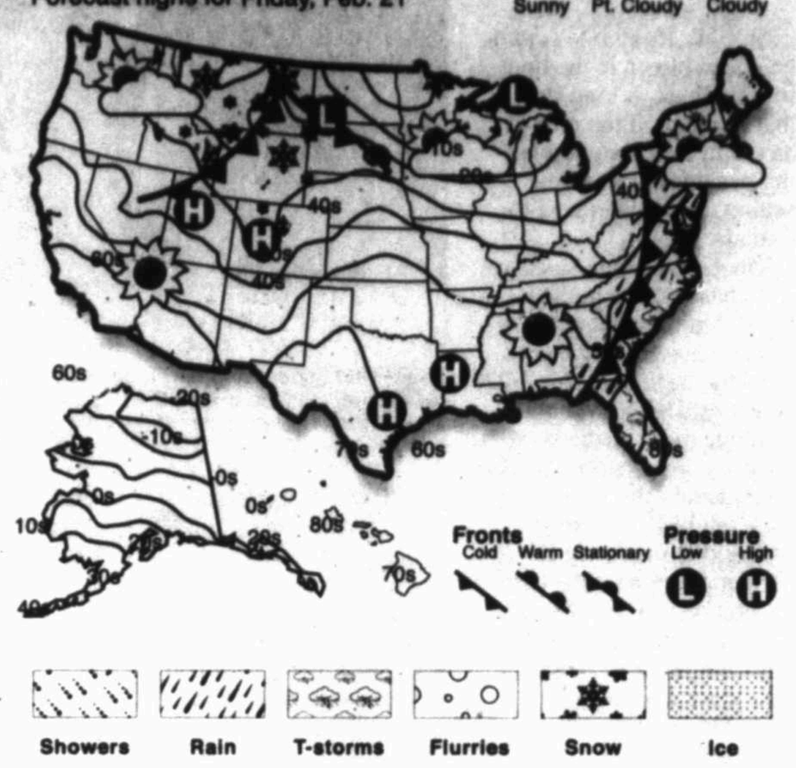


Precipitation	
Wednesday	0.00 in.
Thursday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.24 in.
Year total	0.24 in.
Normal total (year to date)	1.08 in.

Thursday's temperatures	
High	75
Low	53
Normal high	64
Normal low	36
Sunrise	7:25 a.m.
Sunset	6:40 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Friday, Feb. 21



Woman hides at work to avoid spending time with in-laws

DEAR ABBY

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

DEAR ABBY: I have been married to a wonderful man for 17 years, and we have two children. My life should be perfect, and it is — until it's time to visit my in-laws.

We don't see them more than a few times a year, but I've taken to pleading work as an excuse not to see them on holidays or special occasions if I can avoid it. I have even spent Christmas at home alone because I can't stand how verbally abusive my in-laws are.

My mother-in-law admits to being mean and nasty. She says she doesn't care because she "hates people." They are now pressuring my husband to move nearer to them. The thought makes me sick.

My life could have been so much different if these relatives were nice, normal people. I wanted us to be friends. I'm a kind person, but I have never been good enough for them.

I would never dream of saying some of the things they have said to me. They're upper middle class and I'm "trash." I never thought when I married my husband that his family would enjoy making me miserable.

The Easter holidays are coming, and I don't know what to do. I'm afraid one day the buildup of anger will make me explode. How can I make their verbal abuse stop? I'm sick of being the brunt of jokes and sarcastic comments. — "OUTLAW" IN ARIZONA

DEAR "OUTLAW": If your husband is "wonderful," why has he tolerated his parents' treating you this way for 17 years? He should have insisted from the beginning of your marriage that you be treated with respect. I can't believe the two of you would expose your children to this multiple times a year.

You can't "make" your in-laws stop their verbal abuse, but your husband might be able to if he locates his spine and puts his foot down. There should be no more talk of moving close to these toxic people, nor should there be any more visits to them until they either change their attitudes or learn to watch their mouths. If your husband feels he must go, then he should go alone, and you should stop making excuses for your absence.

DEAR ABBY: My husband is an alcoholic who attends AA meetings. Last night he forgot to sign out of his email and I saw he has been corresponding with a woman he met at the meetings. In her message she confided her problems finding a man. His reply was that she has been picking the wrong men, that he cares and that they need to talk face-to-face.

I wish I had never seen the email. Because of it, I can't eat or sleep, worrying about what might possibly be going on. I don't want to confront him because he has a nasty temper, yet I feel I must do something. But what? — LOST IN NOWHERE, MONTANA

DEAR LOST: Instead of "confronting" your husband, simply ask him if he has become this woman's AA sponsor. It might explain why she is confiding in him, and why he suggested they meet face-to-face to talk, which could be entirely innocent. Does he have a history of cheating on you?

If something is going on, it would be better for your emotional health to know what you are dealing with. And if your husband responds with verbal or physical abuse because of his "nasty temper," you should insist on marriage counseling or get out of there for your own safety.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Both vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ K 10 2
K 8 7
Q 9 5
♣ 8 7 6 2

WEST
♠ 8 5
10 6 5 3 2
6 2
♣ J 10 5 4

EAST
♠ A 9 4
Q J 4
K J 10 7 4 3
♣ Q

SOUTH
♠ Q J 7 6 3
A 9
A 8
♣ A K 9 3

The bidding:

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

Opening lead: Six of

The opening diamond lead went to the queen, king and ace. South led a trump to the king, East winning the ace and shifting to the queen of clubs. South took the ace and finished drawing trumps, West shedding a heart on the third round. Declarer exited with his remaining diamond and ruffed the diamond continuation, West shedding another heart.

Declarer paused to consider his next play. East was known to have started with three spades and six diamonds. East had shifted to the queen of clubs but never played another club. South was certain that East had started with a singleton club. Was there anything he could do to salvage his contract if that were true? South found an elegant solution.

South cashed the ace of hearts, led a heart to dummy's king, and ruffed the third heart. He was gratified to see both defenders follow to all three rounds. He was out of trumps, but that was OK. He had a perfect count on the hand. His next play was to lead a low club toward dummy's eight while showing West his king-nine in the suit. West could win his 10, but then had to concede the last two tricks to declarer. Well done!

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Feb. 21, 2014:

This year you often feel as if friends pave your path. Somehow, they seem to have more insight into certain areas of your life than you realize. Travel and interactions with your in-laws and/or foreigners could be difficult. If you are single, you could meet someone much older than you. However, eventually you might become bored with this person. If you are attached, the two of you might decide to spend more time at home, as you are likely to take up a new hobby or interest together. SCORPIO can be hard on you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ Confusion marks your day, but you will manage to avoid someone's contribution to the momentary chaos. Once you do, you might want to minimize the amount of time you spend interacting with this person in your daily life. Tonight: Go along with set plans.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ Examine your long-term needs, and have a discussion with those involved in a joint venture. No one says there can't be an adjustment, though one person might decide to say something that sounds more negative than he or she intended. Tonight: TGIF!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ Pace yourself, and know full well what you can complete. You won't want to leave work or a project half-done. Complete what you can, but try not to dive into a new project at this point in time. Put it on hold until Monday. Tonight: Time for some extra R and R.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Your mind is on the weekend, so you might have a difficult time settling in at work. Your ability to manage what you must is likely to emerge. You will have a problem if you decide to slack off. Make an important call at the end of the day. Tonight: Paint the town red.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Listen to someone who might not be able to communicate his or her feelings in a way that can be understood. Your ability to help this person speak more clearly could alleviate much of the problem. Use your ability to get on top of a problem. Tonight: Make it fun.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ Emphasize what is important. Try not to initiate any projects; instead, clear out what you can. Be aware of the limitations that have been imposed on you and your schedule. Someone might be more closed off than you realize. Tonight: Join friends, and catch up on news.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Reach out to someone who knows more than you do about a money matter. Tap into this person's knowledge and experience. You also might need to seek an expert opinion. Use your instincts, but listen to your mind as well. Tonight: Kick up your heels.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ You could be overserious and unable to switch into weekend mode. At first, you might feel as if you can't lighten up, but a conversation will make you feel better. Return a call to a relative who might have some interesting information. Tonight: Out with a favorite person.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ Listen to your inner voice, and follow it. Right now, playing it low-key might be best. Take some time to decide what you want to do. Make a point to take some time off from the daily grind. Everyone needs a break. Tonight: Do what feels right, but have no expectations.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ A meeting might cause you to do some serious thinking. Look for a new slant. Find someone neutral who perhaps is unexposed to the issue at hand. You could be surprised by what comes up, even if you opt not to use the information. Tonight: Where the action is.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ You might be left holding the bag. While others start enjoying their weekend, you could find yourself with lots to do. Delegate what you can to others, and join your friends. A breath of fresh air will do more good than you can imagine. Tonight: Till the wee hours.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Try to find an answer that will work for everyone. Some of you might decide to just walk away, if that works for you. Keep your long-term goals in mind when making this decision. Tonight: Out late.

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BORN TODAY

Poet W.H. Auden (1907), fashion designer Hubert de Givenchy (1927), author Anais Nin (1903)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 "Sesame Street" lessons
5 Logo, e.g.
11 NASA vehicle
14 Word spoken con affetto
15 Lead ore
16 "Should I take that as __?"
17 Device that tracks certain weather?
19 Ken: neighbor
20 Handle
21 Karaoke need
22 Together, in music
23 Make a mournful cry louder?
27 Bulldog, perhaps
28 German article
29 Lollapalooza gear
33 They may be in columns
36 More ironic
39 Follow, oater-style?
42 Short exile?
43 Tops
44 __-portrait
45 Watch
46 64-Across opposite
48 Run-of-the-mill letters?
56 Pie crust ingredient
57 Tidy sum
58 Warmer for a snowy day
60 Tree ring revelation
61 Eight maids-a-milking?
64 46-Across opposite
65 Jeans measure
66 Auditor's mark
67 Humerus locale
68 Expels
69 Santa __: dry winds

DOWN

1 Rhine whines
2 Sounded like a flock
3 Old-time newsman
4 1972 missile pact
5 Id checker?
6 "Holy cow!"
7 Skycam carrier
8 The Beatles' "__ Be"
9 Cain's oldest son
10 Deface
11 Saved for the future
12 Blase state
13 Hobby shop purchase
18 Stir
22 Accolades
24 Panache
25 Utah's Mountains
26 Norse mythology source
29 Put away
30 "Where the Wild Things Are" boy
31 Winning the lottery, usually
32 Left rolling in the aisles
34 E'en if
35 Medicinal shrub
37 Annex, maybe
38 Instant replay watcher
40 Jersey add-on
41 Hannity of "Hannity"
47 Gesture-driven hit
48 __ del Carmen, Mexico
49 Bright-eyed
50 Country sound
51 Put up
52 Isn't busy
53 It originates from the left ventricle
54 Trap at a chalet
55 Spanish poet Fedenco Garcia __
59 Queries
61 __ chart
62 Cricket club
63 911 response letters

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

	S	A	M	S		C	R	O	W		N	O	I	R
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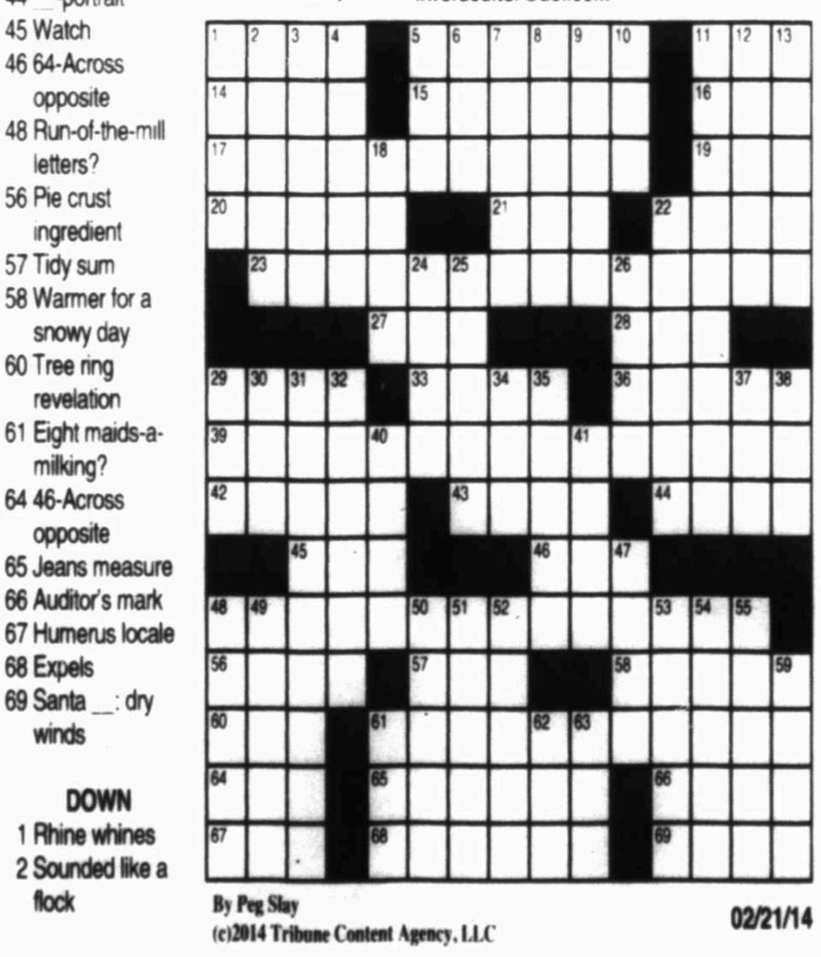

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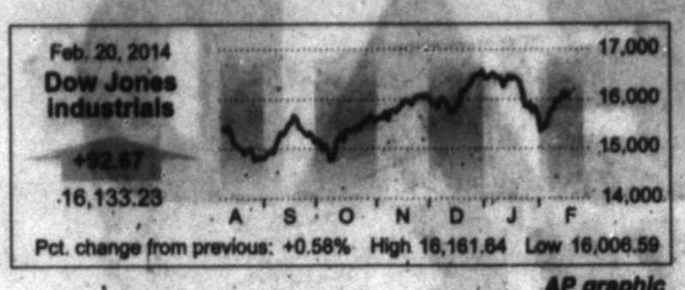
A DAY ON WALL STREET



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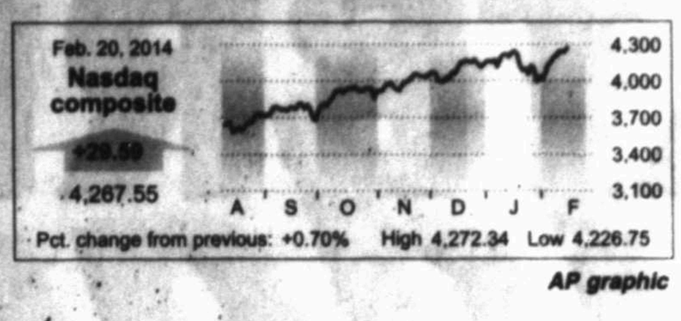

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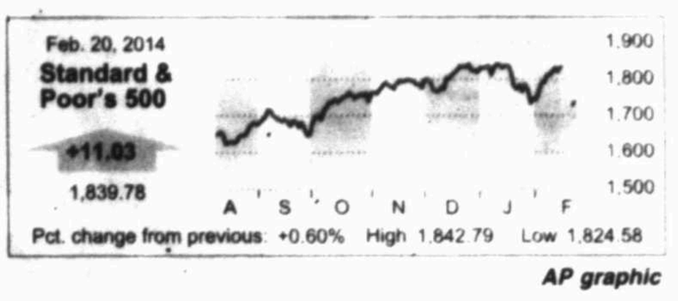

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OIL PRICES

FUTURES

Thursday: $102.92
Previous: $103.31

POSTED

Thursday: $99.50
Previous: $99.75

WEST TEXAS SOUR

Thursday: $94.80
Previous: $95.05

NATURAL GAS

Thursday: $6.064
Previous: $6.149

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
BkofAm	984644	16.30	+.10
S&P500ETF	913576	184.10	+1.08
iShEMkts	665890	39.16	+.14
MktVGold	475672	26.67	+1.04
VerizonCm	466033	48.12	+1.59

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
DirGMnBull	35.89	+5.09	+16.5
BasicEnSv	23.10	+3.10	+15.5
HCI Grp	47.25	+5.88	+14.2
TeekayTnk	3.72	+.44	+13.4
AVG Tech	19.60	+2.29	+13.2

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
GoodrPet	12.28	-3.01	-19.7
FTI Cnslt	29.62	-6.87	-18.8
DirGMBear	17.85	-3.90	-17.9
EmployH	20.56	-3.73	-15.4
MillerMda	6.15	-1.05	-14.6

DIARY

Advanced	2,025
Declined	1,050
Unchanged	122
Total issues	3,197
New Highs	135
New Lows	26
Volume	3,335,918,273

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
RexahnPh	60604	1.05	-.03
Rubicon g	44204	1.32	-.34
AldNevG	43762	5.61	+.21
InovioPhm	43524	2.90	+.09
MeetMe	40984	2.69	+.25

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Pedevco rs	2.78	+.28	+11.2
AlexcoR g	2.09	+.20	+10.6
MeetMe	2.69	+.25	+10.2
TanzRly g	2.50	+.19	+8.2
Compx	12.10	+.90	+8.0

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SilvrCrst g	2.42	-.18	-6.9
NanoVnc	3.74	-.26	-6.5
AltisrcAst	910.01	-60.00	-6.2
AvinoSG g	2.60	-.16	-5.8
RadiantLog	2.82	-.13	-4.4

DIARY

Advanced	253
Declined	143
Unchanged	30
Total issues	426
New Highs	3
New Lows	2
Volume	116,109,764

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Facebook	1079143	69.63	+1.57
SiriusXM	409882	3.60	+.03
PwShs QQQ	371607	90.05	+.42
Microvs h	324822	2.67	+1.32
BlackBerry	318997	9.35	-.34

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Microvs h	2.67	+1.32	+97.8
SuperWH rs	3.24	+1.09	+50.7
JetPay	2.45	+.74	+43.3
UltdOnln rs	14.28	+3.25	+29.5
MarchvB	11.91	+2.32	+24.2

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Conns	31.89	-23.91	-42.8
Onconova n	8.79	-5.07	-36.6
BlknNet n	22.41	-5.67	-20.2
TownSprts	8.75	-1.70	-16.3
BJsRest	25.63	-3.36	-11.6

DIARY

Advanced	1,832
Declined	754
Unchanged	125
Total issues	2,711
New Highs	138
New Lows	19
Volume	1,895,979,533

Nebraska ruling mires Keystone XL in legal limbo

Associated Press

LINCOLN, Neb. — The Keystone XL pipeline route through Nebraska faces months of legal delays as an obscure state commission now tasked with reviewing the project said Thursday it won't budge until the state courts decide whether the path approved by Gov. Dave Heineman is invalid.

A spokesman for the Calgary-based company building the crude oil pipeline said this week's ruling by a Nebraska judge "is a solvable problem." And while he didn't believe the ongoing federal review process would be affected, the delays could push back President Barack Obama's decision on the entire Canada-to-Texas route until after November's midterm elections.

Judge Stephanie Stacy ruled Wednesday that the state's five-member Nebraska Public Service Commission should have decided the route. Because of a 2012 law, TransCanada had the choice of receiving final approval from the commission or from Republican Gov. Dave Heineman. The dual pathways effectively took away the commission's power, Stacy said.

Commissioners said Thursday they're waiting to see what happens next.

"We have intentionally stayed away from any meetings and any discussion related to the Keystone XL, for the purpose of staying impartial. Frankly, with this ruling, we're just waiting to see what the attorneys have to say," said Commissioner Gerald L. Vap, a Republican who represents western Nebraska.

Attorney General Jon Bruning filed notice Wednesday that he'll take the case to the Nebraska Court of Appeals — a process that could add months of uncertainty to the project. The case is expected to end up in the Nebraska Supreme Court, which generally issues opinions 6 to 8 weeks after hearing a case.

The Nebraska Public Service Commission regulates natural gas and power lines, buses, taxis, limos and grain warehouses. Commission members are elected to six-year terms in partisan elections. The current commission is composed of four Republicans and a Democrat.

Although elected by district, members serve in a role more akin to judges than politicians, reviewing evidence before making a decision. Commissioner Anne Boyle, a Democrat from Omaha, said Thursday. Companies that are unhappy with a commission ruling can file a lawsuit to challenge it, she said, so members are careful not to comment on projects that they might have to review.

"We cannot pre-judge a case," Boyle said. "Anything we say could be translated into something (that shows favor) one way or the other. And we're not doing that."

State law requires the commission to approve pipelines considered to be in the "public interest" — looking at its environmental impact, the tax revenue and jobs generated, as well as the views of local governments. But the TransCanada pipeline project never went in front of the commission because it wasn't clear the state had any role in regulating major oil pipelines.

The Keystone XL pipeline would carry 830,000 barrels of oil a day from Canada to Texas Gulf Coast refineries once completed. Heineman approved the 195-mile project leg through Nebraska — avoiding the environmentally sensitive Sandhills region — in January 2013, which gave TransCanada the power to use eminent domain on landowners who denied the company access to their property. Three landowners filed suit, saying the Public Service Commission should have made the decision.

The landowners' attorney, Dave Domina, said the commission's rulings are based on evidence and offer due-process safeguards, including the ability to appeal.

Its roots are in a state railway commission created in the late 1800s to prevent governors from granting political favors to railroad companies.

TransCanada wasn't a party to the lawsuit, but spokesman Shawn Howard stressed that Stacy's decision focused on the law, not the pipeline's merits.

"TransCanada has dealt with many Keystone XL issues in the past and we are confident we can overcome this latest hurdle," Howard said.

Stacy's ruling could give the State Department and White House a reason to extend the long-delayed review process past the midterm elections in November, energy analyst Kevin Book said Thursday. The pipeline was first proposed in late 2008, but the Obama administration delayed a decision on the pipeline in January 2012, citing the "rushed and arbitrary deadline" imposed by congressional Republicans.

Book, managing director at ClearView Energy Partners in Washington, said he still thinks President Barack Obama is likely to eventually approve the project, but added, "Things always seem to take a bit longer on 'Keystone Standard Time.'"

Environmentalists have seized on the pipeline as a symbol of the fight against global warming, saying the pipeline would extend U.S. dependence on fossil fuels that warm the planet. Opponents also worry about oil spills that could seep into the Ogallala Aquifer that provides water to eight states in the central U.S.

Pipeline supporters — including lawmakers from both parties and many business and labor groups — say the project would create thousands of jobs and reduce the need for oil imports from Venezuela and other politically turbulent countries.

TransCanada could change the route to avoid Nebraska, but that would likely delay the project while the State Department reviews the new route.

Oil dips below $103

The price of oil slipped below $103 a barrel Thursday after a report indicated that manufacturing in China, the world's second-biggest economy, shrank again in February.

U.S. crude for March delivery fell 39 cents to close at $102.92 a barrel in New York on the last day of trading for the contract. Crude for April delivery fell 9 cents to close at $102.75.

Oil prices fell after a monthly survey by HSBC found that China's manufacturing, a driver of the global economy, contracted for a second straight month.

The HSBC purchasing managers' index also declined to the lowest since July, a sign of the extended slowdown in China as leaders in Beijing try to clamp down on an investment boom and refocus the economy on domestic consumption.

Uncertainty about protests in Venezuela, a major U.S. oil supplier, as well as export disruptions in Libya and South Sudan kept a floor under oil prices.

Prices were also steadied by a weekly report from the U.S. Energy Department released Thursday that revealed that oil stockpiles grew about half as fast as expected, according to analysts surveyed by Platts, the energy information arm of McGraw-Hill Cos.

Gold falls

The actively traded April contract for gold fell $3.50, or 0.3 percent, to $1,316.90 an ounce. Silver for March delivery lost 17 cents, or 0.8 percent, to $21.68 an ounce. March copper fell less than a penny, or 0.2 percent, to $3.28 a pound Thursday.

Platinum for April delivery fell $12, or 0.8 percent, to $1,412.50 an ounce.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $93.08 Unchanged

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $116.27 Up 1.44

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $29.67 Up 0.06

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $62.67 Up 1.63

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $26.06 Down 1.35

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $8.11 Up 0.34

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $33.06 Up 1.64

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $13.55 Up 0.05

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.84f	10	33.18	+.33	-5.6
Abraxas	...	37	3.32	+.04	+1.8
AdamsEx	.84e	...	12.77	+.09	-2.3
AMD			3.69	-.03	-4.7
Alcoa	.12	36	11.78	+.02	+10.8
AlonUSA	.24a	17	14.42	+.12	-12.8
Ambev n			6.97	+.23	-5.2
Amgen	2.44f	19	123.49	+.14	+8.2
Anadarko	.72	53	83.21	-.52	+4.9
Apache	1.00f	15	84.36	+.29	-1.8
ApidMatl	.40	49	18.99	+.24	+7.4
AriadP			8.73	+.13	+28.0
ATMOS	1.48	17	45.30	+.73	-.3
AutoData	1.92	26	76.51	+.36	-5.3
BP PLC	2.28	12	49.86	+.53	+2.6
BabcoCChnv	1.20		15.92	+.12	+6.6
BakrHu	.60	24	61.23	+.53	+10.8
BkofAm	.04	16	16.30	+.10	+4.7
B iPVix rs			42.54	-1.63	
BarrickG	.20		20.98	+1.21	+19.0
BasicEnSv			23.10	+3.10	+46.4
BerkHa A	...	16	169844.00	-236.00	-4.5
BlkHillsCp	1.56f	25	56.73	+.83	+8.0
BlackBerry			9.35	+.34	+25.7
BrMySq	1.44f	35	53.85	+.39	+1.3
BrownFA	1.16	29	80.39	+.52	+9.0
BrownFB	1.16	28	81.54	+.52	+7.9
CVS Care	1.10f	19	71.31	+1.21	-.4
Cameron		22	62.14	+.57	+4.4
Caterpillar	2.40	17	96.92	+.71	+6.7
Celestic g	...	17	9.46	+.06	-9.0
CntryLink	2.16	...	31.12	+.22	-2.3
ChesEng	.35	20	26.65	+.25	-1.8
Chevron	4.00	10	114.60	+1.00	-8.3
Chicos	.30f	17	16.99	-.15	-9.8
Cimarex	.56	24	113.92	+2.08	+8.6
Cisco	.76f	15	22.30	+.02	+.2
Citigroup	.04	11	48.13	-.06	-7.6
ClayEng	...	...	93.08	...	+13.8
CocaCola	1.22f	20	37.30	+.20	-9.7
ColgPalm s	1.36	26	61.86	+.33	-5.1
Comcast	.90f	20	51.76	+.19	-.4
ConAgra	1.00	15	28.56	-.38	-15.3
ConchoRes	...	55	116.27	+1.44	+7.7
Conns		14	31.89	-23.91	-59.5
ConocoPhil	2.76	10	64.92	-.08	-8.1
CrackerB	3.00	19	97.93	+.37	-11.0
CSVInvNG			3.11	+.04	-64.8
CSVxSht rs			6.96	-.47	-7.2
CrosTim	2.44e	14	31.61	+.32	+7.5
DCP Mid	2.93f	22	48.28	-.58	-4.1
DTE	2.62	19	72.33	+.86	+8.9
Datarm rs			2.57	+.02	-1.2
Dawson	.32	23	29.67	+.06	-12.3
DenburyR	.25	14	15.95	-.24	-2.9
DevonE	.88	...	64.56	+.31	+4.3
Disney	.88f	22	79.19	+.32	+3.7
DowChm	1.48f	13	47.14	+.70	+6.2
EMC Cp	.40	19	25.47	+.22	+1.3
EOG Res	.75	44	180.03	+1.17	+7.3
EmpDist	1.02	16	23.91	+.30	+5.4
Energen	.60f	28	78.63	+1.10	+11.1
EngyTsfr	3.68f	10	53.52	-.48	-6.5
EnPro	...	51	72.70	+.23	+26.1
EntPrPt	2.80f	23	65.75	-.33	-.8
Ericsson	.43e	...	12.59	+.03	+2.9
ExterranH	...	25	36.05	-.12	+5.4
ExxonMbl	2.52	10	99.37	+1.42	-5.8
Facebook		...	69.63	+1.57	+27.4
FordM	.50f	12	15.27	+.02	-1.0
ForestOil	...	11	3.11	-.11	-13.9
GATX	1.32f	17	61.91	+1.15	+18.7
GabMutT	.80	...	10.97	+.14	-11.6
GalenaBio	...	...	3.91	+.31	-21.2
GAInv	2.10e	...	34.32	+.21	-2.5
GenElec	.88	17	25.12	-.06	-10.4
GenMotors	1.20	15	36.51	+.48	-10.7
GoodrPet	...	...	12.28	-3.01	-27.8
GtPlainEn	.92	17	25.97	+.28	+7.1
Groupon			10.28	+.26	-12.6
HalconRes		20	3.75	+.05	-2.8
Halliburtn	.60	19	55.38	+.85	+9.1
Hertz	...	39	27.09	+1.28	-5.3
HewlettP	.58	12	30.19	+.74	+7.9
iShBrazil	1.44e	...	40.22	+.44	-10.0
iShJapan	13e	...	11.42	-.07	-5.9
iShChinaLC	1.02e	...	35.68	-.30	-7.0
iShEMkts	.86e	...	39.16	+.14	-6.3
iS Eafe	1.70e	...	66.84	+.23	-.4
iShR2K	1.41e	...	115.30	+1.23	-.1
IntegrysE	2.72	15	56.25	+.42	+3.4
Intel	.90	13	24.74	+.24	-4.7
InterDig	.40	32	30.33	+1.92	+2.8
JPMorgCh	1.52	13	57.58	+.32	-.9
JohnJn	2.64	19	92.38	+.74	+.9
JnprNtwk	...	32	27.41	+.21	+21.4
KimbClk	3.24	20	109.97	+1.19	+5.3
KindME	5.44f	29	78.55	+.23	-2.6
KindMM	5.44f	47	74.33	-.32	-1.8
Kinross g			5.28	+.27	+20.5
LegacyRes	2.36f		26.06	-1.35	-7.5
Lubys	...	44	6.19	+.03	-19.8
MGM Rsts		...	26.83	+1.08	+14.1
MktVGold	.19e	...	26.67	+1.04	+26.2
McDnlds	3.24	17	95.75	+.20	-1.3
Merck	1.76f	38	55.81	+.77	+11.5
MeritMed	...	61	15.22	+.52	-3.3
MexcoEn	...	81	8.11	+.34	+17.6
MicronT		16	25.49	+.07	+17.2
Microsoft	1.12	14	37.75	+.24	+.9
Microvs h			2.67	+1.32	+102.3
MorgStan	.20	20	29.33	+.37	-6.5
Nabors	.16	47	21.96	+.81	+29.3
NatGrid	3.17e	...	69.58	+.75	+6.5
NOilVarco	1.04	14	76.38	-.08	-4.0
NokiaCp			7.31	+.04	-9.9
NvMAd	.80e	...	12.93	-.01	+6.3
NvPMI	.86	...	13.26	+.02	+7.2
NuvPI	.86	...	13.24	-.03	+7.4
NSTFI3	.63e	...	13.50	...	+4.8
NTXGI	.70e	...	13.35	-.02	+3.9
OccePet	2.88f	13	95.40	+.66	+.3
Oi SA	.45e		1.60	+.03	+.6
ParTech	...	...	4.82	-.08	-11.6
ParkDrl	...	...	8.09	+.51	-.5
PattUTI	.40f	23	29.40	+.01	+16.1
Penney	...	...	5.65	-.35	-38.3
PennaRE	.80	...	19.77	+.39	+4.2
Prmian	.87e	16	13.41	+.02	+4.3
Petrobras	.27e	...	11.28	+.15	-18.1
Pfizer	1.04f	16	31.55	+.07	+3.0
PioNtr	.06	...	189.60	+1.56	+3.
PlainsAAP	2.40f	18	53.02	-.59	+2.4
PlugPowr h			3.70	+.11	+138.7
PwShs QQQ	.88e		90.05	+.42	+2.4
Praxair	2.60f	22	128.07	-.08	-1.5
PrmEgy	...	11	51.71	...	+2.4
ProctGam	2.41	21	77.92	-.22	-4.3
PSEG	1.48f	15	36.53	+1.56	+14.0
RangeRs	16		87.52	-.06	+3.8
RegionsFn	.12	13	10.22	+.12	+3.3
RiteAid			6.53	+.12	+29.1
Rowan		15	32.30	+.18	-8.7
RoyDshNlA	3.60	10	73.34	+1.04	+2.9
SpdrDJIA	3.60e		161.31	+.79	-2.5
S&P500ETF	3.35e		184.10	+1.08	-.3
SabnR	3.95e	13	51.31	+.27	+1.5
Safeway	.80	31	35.32	+.71	+8.4
SanderFm	.80	13	74.68	+1.10	+3.2
SandRidge	...	...	6.46	-.02	+6.4
Sapient	...	31	16.79	+.54	-3.3
Schlmbrg	1.60f	18	91.03	+.55	+1.0
SigmaAld	.92f	23	94.03	+.26	...
SiriusXM	...	60	3.60	+.03	+3.2
Smucker	2.32	18	98.28	+2.73	-5.2
SPDR Fncl	.32e	...	21.44	+.06	-1.9
SP Inds	.87e	...	51.33	+.48	-1.8
SunEdison	...	...	16.37	+.61	+25.4
SunocoLog	2.65f	22	80.96	-1.13	+7.3
TelefEsp	.47e	...	15.49	+.02	-5.2
TeslaMot			209.97	+16.33	+39.6
Tesoro	1.00	16	50.32	+.02	-14.0
TevaPhrm	1.28e	96	48.20	+1.80	+20.3
3M Co	3.42f	20	131.56	+1.00	-6.2
Torchmark	.68	14	76.09	+.37	-2.5
TriContl	.58e	...	19.66	+.12	-1.6
TylerTech	...	86	97.41	+1.81	-4.6
UBWV	1.28f	17	28.48	-.09	-9.4
US NGas			26.79	-.16	+29.5
Vale SA	.78e		14.63		-4.1
ValeroE	1.00f	10	49.59	-.91	-1.6
VangEmg	1.15e		38.80	+.20	-5.7
VerizonCm	2.12	12	48.12	+1.59	-2.1
Vodafone	1.61e		38.74	+1.41	-1.5
VulcanM	.20f	...	65.30	+.43	+9.9
WalMart	1.92f	15	73.52	-1.33	-6.6
Walgrn	1.26	23	66.55	+1.04	+15.9
WellsFargo	1.20	12	45.63	+.10	+.5
WstnRefin	1.04f	8	38.47	+.01	-9.3
WhitingPet		14	62.60	+1.25	+1.2
WmsCos	1.61f	49	42.00	+1.50	+8.9
XcelEngy	1.20f	16	29.83	+.29	+6.8
Xerox	.25f	11	10.74	+.06	-11.8
Zynga			5.09	+.02	+33.9

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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
16,588.25	13,784.01	Dow Jones Industrials	16,133.23	+92.67	+.58	-2.67	+16.23
7,591.43	5,789.20	Dow Jones Transportation	7,252.04	+111.23	+1.56	-2.01	+23.43
537.86	462.66	Dow Jones Utilities	523.12	+5.16	+1.00	+6.64	+10.70
11,334.65	8,700.73	NYSE Composite	10,316.88	+62.64	+.61	-.80	+17.10
2,471.19	2,186.97	Amex Index	2,456.43	+22.91	+.94	+1.25	+3.13
4,277.33	3,105.37	Nasdaq Composite	4,267.55	+29.60	+.70	+2.18	+36.28
1,850.84	1,485.01	S&P 500	1,839.78	+11.03	+.60	-.46	+22.45
19,777.00	15,674.94	Wilshire 5000	19,710.12	+126.95	+.65	+.02	+24.32
1,182.04	894.24	Russell 2000	1,162.12	+13.05	+1.14	-.13	+28.35

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Legal & Public Notices

The City Council of the City of Midland, Texas will hold a public hearing at 10:33 a.m. on Tuesday, March 25, 2014 in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 300 North Loraine, on a request by Ron Childress for a zone change from PD, Planned District for a Shopping Center to an Amended Planned District on the following described property: On a 4.114-acre tract of land out of Section 4, Block "X", H. P. Hilliard Survey, City and County of Midland, Texas.

Generally located near the northwest corner of the intersection of W. Loop 250 North and Whitman Drive.

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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General Announcements

BETTER READ
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Lost & Found

FOUND: CHIHUAHUA 2/14/14 in Plantation Hills S/D. Call 432-631-9644 to identify.

FOUND: SMALL black dog, found on WCR 130. Call 432-687-3798.

Lost & Found

LOST: MONDAY, Feb. 17th. Tortoise shell female cat, in Museum district area. Reward offered. 432-686-7128 or 432-212-1382.

REWARD! LOST cinnamon Pomeranian Kimberly Addition area. Due for next shots, super sweet and loved very much. Please call 432-559-2201.

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

City of Midland will hold a Public Vehicle Auction at Action Wrecker Service, Inc. on Saturday, February 22, 2014. Gates open at 8:00 AM. Auction begins at 10:00 AM. All vehicles will be sold to the highest bidder. Full payment is due at the time of purchase. Buyer has five days to remove vehicles from impound lot. For more information visit www.actionwrecker.com or contact Action Wrecker Service Inc., 1109 S Midland Drive, Midland, TX (432) 697-8697.

Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 — Rule 38 Case No. 08-0286923
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jan. 30, 2014 — Status/Permit No. 777002
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, March 6, 2014
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 25, Blk. 38, T2S, T&P, RR CO Survey, A-162, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, MIDLAND County, being 7.9 miles SE direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at **(512) 463-6848.**

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY March 6, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below.

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name:	BRIDGEWATER 'B'
Lease/Unit Well No.:	3
Lease/Unit Acres:	161.0
Nearest Lease Line (ft):	524.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft):	1456.0

Lease Lines: 524.0 F WEST L, 677.0 F SOUTH L
Survey Lines: 1980.0 F NORTH L, 2115.0 F EAST L

As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 2 additional fields: (1) PARSLEY (ATOKA), (2) BETTY SUE (STRAWN). No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for these fields.

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA): Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres.

PARSLEY (ATOKA): OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

BETTY SUE (STRAWN): OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 11,950 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, NORMA DONOVAN, at (972) 969-3643.

Business Opportunity

WOMEN'S BOUTIQUE and Gift store for sale. One of Midland's oldest and favorite stores. Deposit required for financials, half of which is non-refundable. E-mail first for more details or to set up an appointment. midlandboutiqueforsale@yahoo.com

Fax Your Ad 682-6999

Passenger Cars

2002 TRANS Am 114K low miles, leather, auto, 5.7 ts1. Almost all stock, red, 4 new tires, KBB $10,200, asking $9000. Call Andy Schuck 432-218-6233.

2005 AUDI TT, $15,000, 1 owner, 57K miles, leather, heated seating, new tires @ 45K miles. 432-934-6711.

Legal & Public Notices

The City Council of the City of Midland, Texas will hold a public hearing at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, March 25, 2014 in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 300 North Loraine, on a request by Pulman, Cappuccio, Pullen, Benson and Jones, LLC #2 for a zone change from FD, Future Development District to PD, Planned District for an Office Center on the following described property: On a 17.521-acre tract of land out of Section 13, Block 40, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey, Midland County, Texas.

Generally located at the west side of Holiday Hill Road at the west extension of Green Tree Boulevard.

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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Passenger Cars

2009 CORVETTE Z06 black/black, 9,500 miles all options, custom stereo, perfect condition. $52,000. 432-553-4654.

2012 BMW 135i, Silver Graphite int. M Sport Premium Package, still under warranty, 300 hp, 30K mi. $30K. 432-661-8219.

BMW 2011 328i Coupe. Alpine white, cream int. 7k mi. M series package, premium package, garage kept, warranty. Asking $29k. Call 432-230-3566.

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Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of ARTHUR JACKSON MONZINGO, Deceased, were issued on February 18, 2014, in Cause No. P-17,744, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to ARTHUR FOSTER MONZINGO, II, Independent Executor, whose residence address is 1812 Dappleglenny Lane, Austin, Texas 78727.

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 19th day of February, 2014.

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Midland, Texas 79702
(432) 684-5782
(432) 682-3672 (FAX)

By: Robert H. Dawson
State Bar No. 05606000

ATTORNEYS FOR
INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR

Passenger Cars

CHEVY 2008 Corvette LS3, red, 6.2L V8, 508HP, 30k mi, tuned & borla exhaust, automatic & standard with pedal shifting, mechanical breakdown insurance, 20k mi warranty on tires. $34k. 432-250-3659.

JAGUAR 1993 XJS Red 2 door hard top 1 owner, 81,000 miles. 683-8380.

LEXUS 2008 RX350 white, tan leather, 80k mi, excellent condition, loaded, garaged & 1 owner. $15,400. 432-638-6430.

MAZDA 2005 6S tan leather interior, heated seats, new tires, 3.0 DOHC engine, blown. Black exterior. $3,600. Text 214-966-1647.

Passenger Cars

MERCEDES 1998 SLK 230 convertible, hard top, Black, great condition, 54,000 miles, Black leather interior, heated seats, iPhone compatible. Garage kept. $8500. 432-557-9212.

WANTED!

Will buy wrecked & unwanted cars, trucks & RVs. FREE pick-up. 432-685-4078.

Antique & Vintage

1976 CORVETTE Stingray Coupe. L48 Package. Automatic, very very nice car, garaged last 5 years, under 78,000 actual miles, serious only inquire, moving no place to store. Text only 432-2, 9-2310.

78 CORVETTE Classic 25th Anniversary pace car. 89K miles, original, garaged. $15K. 432-557-6415.

Pickup Trucks

2001 FORD F250 diesel, Extended cab with Pedro wrecker unit, 100k + miles, $5,000. 325-370-9287 or 432-270-4443.

2002 F 250 Ford Lariat, 7.3 Diesel 200K miles, lift kit, fully loaded, lots of extras. $16,5000. 432-425-5940 or 432-556-8607.

2005 CHEVROLET 2500 HD Crewcab, short bed, 4 WD, diesel, 1 owner, 138K miles, clean, 45 gallon fuel tank plus extras. $23,000. Call 432-697-3960.

Pickup Trucks

2006 TOYOTA Tundra Crew Cab, almost perfect condition, 77,300 miles. 432-556-9711 can text pic or see in Midland.

DODGE 2001 Ram 1500, white in color, vin# 3B7HC13Y91G72379, 114,571 mileage $3,500. If interested call (432)661-1809.

Passenger Cars

BMW of the Permian Basin
3715 Andrews Hwy - Midland
Phone: 432 522 3900

2009 BMW 528i
Alpine/ Cream Beige
Prem., Xenon, Assist & Bluetooth, 98k miles

2011 BMW X5 50i
Jet Black / Blk
Sport Activity, Cold, Tech, Spare saver, Head up Avtive seats
13k miles, CPO

2013 BMW 335i Convertible
Jet Blk/Blk
Conv. Prem., Nav, SaT, Though Loading System, heated seats
4k miles, DEMO

2013 BMW 535i
Dark Graphite / Blk
M sport, Tech, Prem., heated, head up display
6k miles, Service loaner

2013 BMW 528xi
Space Gray/Oyster
Prem., Heated seats, rear view camera, Nav.
4k miles, Demo

2007 GMC Yukon
Gray/Blk
Sat, Rear Seat Ent, 3rd row, 125k
Super Clean

2012 BMW 535i
Space Gray/Oyster
Prem sound, Sport, Prem.
11k miles, CPO

2012 Mercedes CLS550
Blk/Blk
Harman Kardon, Nav, 20k miles

2012 BMW 328i Coupe
Mineral Wht/Oyster
M sport, Prem., hi- fi, nav.,12k miles

2013 BMW 328i
Wht/Blk-Red
Blk racing Stripe
Sport line, Sport trans, Nav, Heated seats,
3k miles, Unique

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2/21/14

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit ***www.sudoku.org.uk***

SOLUTION TO THURSDAY'S PUZZLE

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ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

A/P Specialist

Natural Gas Service Group FT

NGSG has immediate opening for **A/P Specialist.** This person will be responsible for coding & entry of invoices, organizing check runs, distributing checks, filing checks in A/P files, reconciling statements & back-up receptionist. Familiarity with SYSPRO a plus. Must have 3-5years + experience. Excellent Salary and Benefit package for the right person. For more information or to submit your resume contact employment@ngsg.com or call (432) 262-2700.

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TOYOTA OF MIDLAND

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Our Quality Death Brings You In & Our Service Brings You Back

SALES PROFESSIONALS

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$18 AN HOUR GUARANTEED!

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Responsibilities include: • Performing routine maintenance of vehicles • Change oil, transmission, and other fluids and filters • Provide service information to Service Advisors • Maintain dealership quality standards

* Requirements include: Friendly, hard working, drive to satisfy customer and dept expectations • Must be able to multi-task and work in a fast-paced atmosphere • Professional attitude a must • Need valid driver's license & clean driving record.

We provide all our team members with a great benefits package: Medical & dental insurance programs - 401K - Paid vacations - Ongoing training & mentoring - A great work environment - Appreciation for your hard work - Opportunity for Advancement. Pay based on experience.

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CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

Administrative Assistant/Project Bookkeeper

Entry Level job in Midland, TX. The ideal candidate for this position will be highly organized with strong spreadsheet and Word skills. Bookkeeping experience a plus. Salary dependant on experience. Please send resume and references and indicate availability for full or part time employment to: **Administrative Assistant Position PO Box 51807 Midland, TX 79710-1807**

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LOOKING FOR AN ENTRY LEVEL OFFICE POSITION? **Kelly Services has the perfect job!** Immediate openings. Join our team as a **Document Prepper!** • Do you have attention to detail? • Can you work as a team? • Want to earn bonuses? • Are you flexible with your work hours and able to work e/o Saturday? • Do you have excellent attendance? • Want a **Weekly paycheck?** • High School Diploma/GED required. No prior industry experience. $12.00/ hour. If this is YOU... call us today. 432-363-0123

Office Manager

Dr. Wilbur Lineback FT
2104 W Michigan Ave
Midland, TX

Extremely busy physician's office is looking for full time Office Manager with managing skills. Must be dependable, punctual, trustworthy, and self motivated. Must have great people skills, organizational skills, and able to multitask. Job duties would include, but not limited to answering phones, faxing, pulling charts, scheduling patients appointments, verifying insurance, insurance filing, a must.

Confidentiality is necessary.

Hours would be from 9:00 am to 5:00pm Monday - Friday.

CONSTRUCTION & FACILITIES

Construction

Construction laborer needed must have drivers license and be able to pass drug test. $13.00 to $15.00 an hour depending on experience. 432-894-9941 Shane

Front Office Assistant

Gardendale, TX office looking for upbeat, detail oriented, Office assistant to answer phones, to process filing, process work flow, as well as a multitude of other tasks. Must have great communication and customer service skills. FT, M-F 8am - 5pm. Salary DOE. Submit resume to: wendy@jaoilfield.com; no phone calls please.

Remodel Specialist Needed

Remodel specialist needed. Top pay. Growing company. Call David **432-599-5903**

CUSTOMER SERVICE

Office Assistant

Office Assistant needed for busy general company sales. Monday-Friday 9am-6pm with rotating weekends. Starting pay $11/hour. Please apply at WTAB 2230 Danny Ave, Midland, TX 79701. No Phone Calls Please!!!

EDUCATION & TRAINING

Caregiver

Animal Krackers FT/PT

Future nurse, teacher, employees needed. Nights, weekends, weekdays. Flexible hours and good pay. Part time or Full time. Experience preferred but not required. Needs to be available most weekends and nights. Please call Anne Marie at 432-687-4000

Child Care

Number 1 Wee Care Learning Ctr FT
Midland, TX 79705

Premier facility is looking for Child Care assistants & young children who also value the enhancement of the child's mental abilities. qualified Kitchen Staff are needed. Interested applicants can apply in person at: 3309 N. Lorraine Rd., Midland, Tx 79705

CHILD CARE WORKER

Mrs. Irene's Child Care FT/PT

Need Full and Part-time Child Care Workers.
Will train. Starting wages $10-$11/ hour.
Paid holidays and vacation. Call 432-520-8888.

ENERGY & UTILITIES

Aim Directional Services is taking applications for the following positions:

Directional Managers, Directional Coordinators, MWD Coordinators, Directional Drillers, MWD Engineers, Directional Sales, and Motor Shop Personnel. Must have at least 2-years experience. Only experienced personnel in these positions should apply. Send resumes to: **resumes@aimdir.com** with Name, Phone, and email address.

ASME Code Welder & Parts Person w/ oilfield exp.

Welder position: Has to be able to pass a plate test, 3+ years of experience Pressure vessel building, Single Hand Welders/Rig Welders. Applicants for both positions need to apply in person **2606 WCR 130, 79706**. We have benefits and vacation. If they have any questions to call **432-687-7060**

Available Positions

Lighthouse Energy Solutions FT

Lighthouse Energy Solutions has openings for the following positions Sales Person, Service Technician, Shop Hand, & Truck Pusher in the Big Lake area. Benefits include annual bonus, paid insurance, company vehicle & 2 weeks paid vacation. Qualified applicant will have clean driving record, drug free & able to work nights & weekends. Salary DOE. Please contact Bill Keller at 432-699-7744 for interview or email resume to: bill@lighthouseenergy.org.

Entry Level Helpers

Production Lift Systems FT

Local oilfield service company seeking **Entry Level Wireline and Swabbing Helpers**. Full benefits. Must have a valid driver's license and pass drug test. Apply at **14 East Industrial Lobp Midland, TX 79701** or call **432-699-1200.**

OTHER JOBS

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Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR NIGHT TIME ASSOCIATE

Night time associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to count at a fast pace. Be able to work between the hours of 12-6 am Sunday night thru Friday night and be able to work Saturday night 8pm -4am. Will be working inside and outside depending on the job you are doing that night. Will be 5-6 nights per week. We will train the right person.

Pay $10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifiting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required; we will train-you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and Social Security card with dependable transportation.

Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois, Lobby Information Desk • Monday-Friday 8-5 or email: jmaddox@hearstnp.com

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ENERGY & UTILITIES

EXPERIENCED ROUSTABOUT PUSHERS

MIDLAND ROUSTABOUT SERVICE HIRING **EXPERIENCED ROUSTABOUT PUSHERS**. PLEASE COME BY OUR OFFICE AT **5800 E I-20** TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION. **432-682-5017**

Parts Runner/Shophand

CDL and Oilfield Experience a plus. Call 432-682-3030

HEALTHCARE

Available Positions

Desert Gardens Nursing & Rehabilitation Center
3203 Sage Street
Midland, TX 79705
Desert Gardens located in Midland, Texas is currently seeking qualified Nursing staff to fill the following Positions:

- **ADON/Staff Development Coordinator with experience.**
- **MDS Coordinator LVN or RN with experience.**
- **Medication Aide for 6-2 Shift Monday - Friday.**
- **Restorative Aide (2 positions) Monday - Friday with experience.**
- **CNA 6-2 position Monday - Friday.**
- **CNA 10-6 position on a rotating schedule.**
- **Dietary Supervisor Monday-Friday with experience**
- **Dietary Aides/Cooks**

$1,000 Sign on BONUS Apply in person.

Caregivers

Legacy Ranch
Midland, TX

Now Hiring experienced Caregivers, for all shifts to work with elderly clients in a professional environment. Apply in person at 4800 Briarwood Ave., Midland, Tx 79707

Certified Dental Assistant

Thomas Campagna, DMD FT

We are looking for an exceptional, experienced, **Certified Dental Assistant**, one full time position, to join our team at Midland's premier dental practice. Please email: **info@smilemidland.com**, fax: **(432) 520-0720** or bring resume to: **3722 N. Loop 250, Midland, TX**

Clinic Nurse LVN- Addiction Treatment Center

Midland/Odessa

Monday-Friday, 5:15am-12:15pm weekdays & 6am to 9:30am on Saturdays. Travel required between Midland & Odessa clinics. Assessments, TBs, dispense meds. Paid holidays, CEU days & personal days. Fax: **800-671-8364**

FT Medical Receptionist / PT Dictation Person

Experienced Medical Office Receptionist needed for a busy clinic. Attractive salary and benefits. Also PT Dictation person with flexible hours. Please fax resumes to 432-522-2950

Housekeeper

Legacy Ranch FT
Midland, TX

Now Hiring FT Housekeeper to work with elderly clients in a professional environment. Apply in person at 4800 Briarwood Ave., Midland, Tx 79707

Housekeeper

Martin County Hospital District is hiring one FULL TIME Housekeeper and one Part time housekeeper. Apply in person @ 600 E. I-20, Stanton, Texas 79782 or send resume to pauladority@martinch.org.p

Laundry Aide

Legacy Ranch FT
Midland, TX

Now Hiring FT Laundry Aide to work with elderly clients in a professional environment. Apply in person at: 4800 Briarwood Ave., Midland, Tx 79707

Phlebotomy Certification Class (blood drawing)

Odessa March 8th & 9th $300. Call 505-410-7889 or 505-410-9559 swphlebotomy.com

Compliance and Coding Specialist

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PRN RN's and LVN's

Martin County Hospital District is hiring PRN's RN's and LVN's for all shifts. Apply in person @ 600 E. I-20, Stanton, Texas 79782 or send resume to pauladority@martinch.org.

Providers/Caregivers & CNA's

St. Joseph's Home Health Inc. FT

St. Joseph's Home Health Inc. is currently hiring English and Spanish speaking Providers/Caregivers & CNA's in Midland, TX. Please call: 432-684-5858

HEALTHCARE

RN Case Manager, PRN RNs, LVNs

Martin County Home Health is now taking applications for a Full Time RN Case Manager. Hospice experience preferred and Spanish speaknng a plus! Monday through Friday 8:30 to 5:00 with some call. Excellent Benefits with competitive pay and mileage. Also looking for PRN RNs and LVNs. Call Allison Roy RN/DON at 432-607-3249 or fax resume to 432-607-3299

Various Positions

Midland Physical Therapy FT/PT

Physical Therapy Clinic looking for clinical and office personnel. Positions available immediately. Fax resume 432-570-8713. Or bring to 301 Dodson, Midland, Texas 79701

X-Ray Inspector

The Texas Department of State Health Services is accepting applications to fill an **X-Ray Inspector** position in Midland, Texas. Anyone interested in this position should visit the web address: **https://jobshrportal.cpa.tex^a.gov/ENG/careerportal/default.cfm**, and fill out an application. The position posting may be found by searching for the keyword **"x-ray"** in Midland. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jerry Cogburn at **jerry.cogburn@dshs.state.tx.us**.

HUMAN RESOURCES

HR GENERALIST

Petroplex Acidizing Inc. New hire orientation, recruiting, payroll, policies & procedures, administer employee benefit programs, assist with annual audit, advise management on human resources issues, preparing a variety of reports, and all other projects assigned. In addition, this position should have strong attention to detail, commitment to excellence and high standards, and able to write and proof drafts. Email resumes to **jterry@petroplex.com**.

LAW ENFORCEMENT & SECURITY

Security Guard

Finley Investigations & Security (Lic# C09211)
7500 N CR 1294, Midland, TX 79707.

Hiring now! Full-time security guards. Growing company. Retirees welcome. Safe environment. We will train. Competitive pay. Starting pay $10 - $12 per hour. 432-561-5660. tomfinley@oilfieldsecurity.com

MANAGEMENT & EXECUTIVE

General Manager

Management Opportunity! General Manager needed to oversee daily operations of busy Subway! Very competitive salary + quarterly bonus plan & awesome benefit package! Fax resume & salary history to 800-690-6499 today!

OTHER JOBS

Abstractor

Need experienced abstractor to cover 20+ counties in Midland area. Please send resume to Mike at miker@nsinfoserv.com

Administrative Assistant

Large Church accepting applications for Administrative Assistant positions. Bachelor's degree preferred. Computer literacy required. Send resumes to hrdirector@firstmethodistmidland.com

COORDINATOR / HOST

Provide support and activities for high school exchange students as a host or program rep. Apply online **www.aspectfoundation.org**

Custodian

First United Methodist Church FT/PT

If you just want a job, this is not the place. If you would like to work, then we need you. Must be an eager worker who can do what's been requested without hesitation or complaint, can show up on time, and values cleanliness. If this description fits you, please apply in person at First United Methodist Church, 300 N. Main Street, Midland, TX. Immediate interview possible. No phone calls please.

Front Counter/Customer Service

Affinity Steel hiring for **Front Counter/Customer Service**. Bilingual a plus. Apply in person **1809 W. County Rd 114**. For directions, call **432-617-4477**

HOUSEKEEPING POSITION AVAILABLE

Must be dependable. 30 hrs/week. Apply in person at **COM Aquatics**, **3003 North A Street**, Midland, TX. NO PHONE CALLS.

Resident Monitor, Relief Cook, Administrative Clerk

Dismas Charities FT/PT
Midland, TX 79701

Dismas Charities is hiring Full-time, Part-time & relief staff for the positions of Resident Monitor, Administrative Clerk and Relief Cook (part-time, up to 25hrs/wk $9.64/hr + $3.81). Walk-in applicants are welcome at: 24 W. Industrial Loop

CARTER'S furniture and more

Sales Person **Full-Time**
2101 W. Wadley #6 **Midland, TX 79705**

Commission sales, must be able to multitask. Detail oriented, connect with customers, and love furniture. Bring resume to Carter's Furniture at 2101 West Wadley, Suite #6 Midland, TX 79705.

OTHER JOBS

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR PART TIME DAY ASSOCIATE

NOW HIRING EXTRA! EXTRA!

Part Time Day Associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to work Monday thru Saturday from 8am-6pm. Tuesday will be here later till about 8 or 9 pm. Need to be able to work on your feet thru 6-8 hour shift. Will work at night occasionally. We will train the right person.

Pay $10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifiting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required; we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and Social Security card with dependable transportation.

Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois, Lobby Information Desk • Monday-Friday 8-5 or email: jmaddox@hearstnp.com

NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE

mywesttexasjobs

http://www.mywesttexas.com/jobs

Midland Reporter-Telegram in partnership with monster

SALES JOBS

Multi-Media Sales Consultant

The Midland Reporter-Telegram and mywesttexas.com advertising department is looking for a Multi-Media Sales Consultant. The ideal candidate will have a proven track record of personal sales successes, preferably in a newspaper/media environment. Some knowledge of the advertising industry would be helpful, but not required.

Duties for this position will include, but are not limited to selling advertising in all print publications of the Midland Reporter-Telegram and all online products, including mywesttexas.com.

Qualifications & Skills:

- *Ability to work in a fast-paced, deadline oriented environment*
- *Excellent customer service and time management skills*
- *Highly organized with the ability to work independently with minimal supervision*
- *Detail-oriented with good communication, spelling and math skills*

The Hearst Corporation is one of the largest diversified communications companies. Its major interests include magazine, newspaper and business publishing, cable networks, television and radio broadcasting, Internet businesses and more. As an associate of the Midland Reporter-Telegram, you join more than 20,000 in the Hearst family. The Multi-Media Sales Consultant is a full-time, outside sales position. We offer a competitive compensation plan and benefits package, comprehensive training, mileage allowance, and the opportunity to advance your career in an exciting, progressive, and innovative organization in one of the fastest growing markets in Texas.

If you are the one we are looking for, please send current resume to:

Jeri Houston, Advertising Sales Manager
Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois Avenue, Midland, TX 79701
or email to: jhouston@mrt.com

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER / NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE

SKILLED LABOR

Forklift Operator

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an opening in its Production Department for the Position of "Fork Lift Operator" and other duties as assigned.

JOB REQUIREMENTS:
- Ability to read and write
- Ability to lift up to 50 lbs.
- Ability to bend and reach overhead
- Ability to count accurately and do simple math
- Able to operate a forklift and willing to be certified
- Be reliable, responsible and able to follow instructions
- Capable of standing and walking for extended period of time
- Able to work in various environments that include winter and summer conditions.
- Must be able to work weekends when necessary

RESPONSIBILITES:
- Accurate loading and unloading of printed materials in a safe and efficient manner
- Ensure material are efficiently/properly stacked and stored in appropriate and designated areas
- Perform other non-forklift duties when assigned

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Send resume and salary requirements to: **John Maddox, Director of Production/Facilities**
c/o Midland Reporter Telegram - 201 E. Illinois St - Midland, TX 79701
Email to: jmaddox@hearstnp.com
NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE

HEARST *media services*

Midland Reporter-Telegram Delivering life...every day.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

Supplement your income by delivering newspapers for a few hours in the early mornings between 12:00am - 6:00am. The Midland Reporter-Telegram is currently seeking individuals who are interested in delivering newspapers in the residential areas in and around the City of Midland. If interested, MUST have a reliable vehicle, proof of automobile insurance in your name, a valid driver's license, must understand that this is a 7 day a week delivery commitment as an Independent Contractor.

THE PROFIT FOR THESE ROUTES IS ABOUT $650-$1,000 a month,
depending on the size of the route. *This is a perfect way to generate the extra money you need.*

If interested in starting a newspaper route:
Please CALL CATHY at 432-687-9002 or stop by
The Midland Reporter-Telegram
201 E. Illinois Ave., Midland, TX 79701

Midland Reporter-Telegram Delivering life...every day.

OTHER JOBS

Security Officers
Imperial Guard Service FT/PT
Midland, TX 79701
No experience necessary. Will train. Uniforms provided. $9 to $11 per hour. Call 866-840-2066. TX Lic# 12202

Shop Welder/ Fabricator
Basin Engine and Pump FT
Basin Engine & Pump is looking for an industrial oilfield Shop Welder/ Fabricator. Welding/Fabricator experience preferred. Position includes uniforms and a benefits package. Pay DOE. Please submit resume by fax to: 432-570-1115 or email to: tommy@basinengine.com. Applications may also be filled out at 1914 South County Rd. 1083, Greenwood/Midland

Wyndham Garden Hotel & Wall Street After 5 Sports Lounge Positions needed: Overnight Security, Kitchen Manager, Front Desk agents, Housekeepers, AM Servers, Bartenders and Cooks
Pay based on experience. Please email resume wyndhammidlandgm@gmail.com or hand deliver at 3100 W. Wall Street, Midland, TX.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Lease Analysist
Lease Analyst needed for small Independent Oil & Gas Company. 5 years land experience. Send resume to permianbasin2013@yahoo.com

Resource Development Director, United Way of Midland
Minimum of two years nonprofit development experience; bachelor's degree; exceptional donor and volunteer management skills, effective presentation skills. Must be a self-starter and team player. Major giving and consultative selling experience helpful. Cover letter and resume to: dmahurin@uwmidland.org. Deadline to apply: March 3, 2014.

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

ALL POSITIONS / NO NIGHTS
Harvest Caffe now hiring FT/PT. Apply in person 9am-11am & 2pm-4pm at **2101 W. Wadley Ste. 8**. NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE.

MANAGEMENT & BAKER OPENINGS
Fast-Casual restaurant in Midland now has openings for General Help, salaried Management and Bakers also. Call **432-230-1218** to setup an interview or email resume to: **rm.schlotzskys@yahoo.com.** General help, please apply in person.

Management
CI CI's Pizza now hiring for management positions. Starting at a great salary. Apply in person at 2106 Rankin Hwy, Midland. Opening new locations soon. Looking for personnal, outgoing individuals. 432-685-3020

Now Hiring
Lori's Cafe hiring cooks with experience required. $14 per hour. Apply in person at 2301 W. Wall, Midland

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

DOMINO'S PIZZA is now hiring Delivery Drivers! We are looking for Awesome Team Members that want to earn cash daily! Delivery drivers earn a great hourly wage while taking home their tips and delivery reimbursement daily! Do you like cash in your pocket? Have a vehicle with insurance? Have a decent motor vehicle record and background? Well this is the job for you! Not sure yet?

Email us at dominos@clearwire.net
with your name and phone number and we will call you to answer any question you may have before you decide to apply! We will make the hiring process as easy as possible for you! As always, come on down to any of our Midland/Odessa locations and apply at any time!
Or apply at www.indeed.com
EOE
(coming soon: company delivery vehicles for you to drive! Apply today!)

Multiple Positions
Basin Burger House FT/PT
Now hiring for All Positions. **Line Cooks, Prep Cooks, and Shift Managers**. Join our team! Apply in person after 2 pm at 607 N Colorado, Downtown Midland

Restaurant Positions
Osaka Japanese Steakhouse FT
Would you like to make **$15-$20** an hour? Now hiring Hibachi Chefs, Managers, Waitresses, Hostesses, Cashiers, Bartenders, Bus Help, Dishwashers & Kitchen Help. Please apply in person: **1207 Tradewinds Blvd. 79706**

Strawberry Fields Café has openings for motivated individuals with a great attitude and self starters. Great work environment, great management, pleasant customers. Part time and Full time positions are available. Apply in person at 2311 W Wadley Ave., Midland. Hours of operation are 9:00 am to 7:00 pm Monday thru Friday / 9:30 am to 7:00 pm on Saturday. We are closed on Sundays!

SWENSEN'S NOW HIRING DAY & EVENING SERVERS!
Excellent working environment! Now adding **DAY & EVENING SERVERS** to our Team. Come join a group that fosters membership, not just employment. Excellent pay. Will train. Closed Sundays. Apply at **Loop 250 & A Street** or call **432-967-9823** & speak to someone immediately.

RETAIL JOBS

Cashier
Health Food Store is taking applications for energetic and friendly full-time cashiers. Shifts will include evenings, and some Saturdays. Apply in person Monday through Friday only 9am to 5pm at Natural Foods Market, 2311 W. Wadley, Midland.

SALES JOBS

CASHIERS
Smoker's Outlet is looking for **Cashiers** in the Midland area. We offer competitive wages and a good work environment. Paid weekly. Go by your nearest **Smoker's Outlet** to apply.

Sales Position
TNT Crane & Rigging is currently taking applications for a Sales Person. Must have extensive Oil & Gas industry sales experience. Top Pay and Benefits. Please send resume to: garyh@tntcrane.com EOE

SKILLED LABOR

MIDAS

Experienced Mechanic
- Brakes
- Tune-Ups
- AC
- Suspension

Earn Up To $1,500/Wk +
Hours: M-F 7:30am-6:00pm
Sat. 7:30am-12:00pm
Great Benefits / EOE / Drug Free Workplace
3301 W. Wall, Midland
432-638-1248
Fax: 469-547-0669
Email: dmitchell@midastexas.com

Certified Riggers & Swampers
LSE Crane & Transportation is now hiring Certified Riggers and Swampers. Apply online at www.lsecrane.com or in person at
2011 S. Crane
Odessa, TX 79764
If applying in person: please call ahead to 806-392-3899 to ensure someone is available

Concrete Form Carpenters and Laborers
Concrete Form Carpenters and Laborers needed in Midland, TX. Call 432-770-0242

Diesel Mechanic
Wanted: Experienced Diesel Mechanic to manage repair shop for oilfield service company. Must be familiar with heavy duty and medium duty trucks. CDL license is a plus. Competitive salary and benefits. Contact 832-530-5423

MECHANIC
Strong Electric is now hiring a **full-time Mechanic** for our growing fleet of service trucks and heavy equipment. Applicants must have a clean driving record and pass a drug test. To apply visit **www.strongelectric.net/about/careers** or call **512.252.9500**

Oilfield Technician
Building, repairing, and installing CCTV and communication equipment on drilling rigs. For more info go to royalservices.com and click on JOBS. Send resumes to jobs@royalservices.com

PRESSMAN
The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an immediate opening in its Production Department for the position of: PRESSMAN for our Harris N 1650 Printing presses.
This 5-6 day per week, fast paced, deadline oriented position, requires: night shift/weekend work, with a strong emphasis on safety. The Midland Reporter-Telegram offers a full package of company benefits including 401K program. Salary DOE.
Send resume and salary requirements to:
John Maddox, Director of Production/Facilities
c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram 201 E. Illinois St., Midland, TX 79701. E-mail:jmaddox@hearstnp.com
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Project Superintendant &General Superintendant
Mid-Tex of Midland, Inc. Now hiring General Superintendent and commercial construction Project Superintendent. Competitive pay plus excellent benefits. Experience in commercial construction a must. Please send resumes to 5206 W. Wadley, Midland, Texas 79707 or you may fax your resume to 432-694-9627.

PUMP MECHANIC
DXP is seeking a **Pump Mechanic** in Odessa. 2+ years of pumps & rotating equipment experience. Will train the right candidate with mechanic experience. Shop & field work. Apply at **3900 W Loop 338 Odessa, TX 79764 432-337-5401** EOE/M/F/D/V

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

$2,000 SIGN-ON BONUS (after 60 days)
Flatland Trucking, Inc needs experienced **Hot Shot & Semi Drivers** ASAP. Starting pay **$18-$22**, average **$4000-$6000** a month. Offer full benefits, bonus & commission. Must have Class A CDL, must live in Midland or Odessa & be able to be on call 24/7 on scheduled days. No lease ons. For phone interview call Danielle **432-269-2162**. No walk-ins.

CDL Drivers
B & B Wrecker Service is looking to hire **CDL Drivers**. Must be 21 years or older. Good driving record. Paid every Friday. Health Insurance provided. Please come by **2823 S. Rankin Hwy**

Class A CDL Driver
$5,000.00 Sign-On Bonus - Most weekends off! Stable company with a competitive hourly wage and excellent benefits located in Midland, TX is looking for a full time Class A CDL Driver with Hazmat endorsement. Position requires a minimum of 3 to 5 years verifiable professional driving experience with a clean driving and background record. Ideal candidates need to be dependable, reliable, and trustworthy. If you meet these qualifications, please contact Hope or Rudy at 432-570-9414 or send an email to *tammy@oilcenter.com*.

Class A CDL Truck Drivers
Prefer drivers with Pneumatic Tanker experience. Benefits include: medical, life and dental insurance, and paid vacation. Applicants having experience hauling sand and/or dry cement helpful. Good driving record, DOT, drug & alcohol testing required. Apply in person, call **432-563-1894** for interview or online @ **www.rockwaterenergy.com**

Driver Riggers and Dispatchers
TNT Crane & Rigging is currently Hiring Qualified CDL Driver/Riggers and Dispatcher. Top Pay, Benefits, and Per-Diem. Please email: jharrison@tntcrane.com or call 432.242.4980 to request an application EOE

DRIVERS
Drivers wanted to transport railroad crews in the Midland, TX area. Paid training, benefits, and company vehicle provided. Starting pay $12.00/hour. Applications accepted online only at **www.renzenberger.com**

TTI TRUCKING IS NOW HIRING!
We now have immediate openings for the following positions: **MECHANICS, TRUCK DRIVERS, KILL TRUCK OPERATORS** and **TRUCK PUSHERS.** We offer weekly pay and benefits after 90 days. All drivers and pushers must have at least 2 yrs. experience and all applicants must be able to pass a drug test. Apply in person at 3404 W. Illinois Ste. 204 Midland, TX 79703.

Vacuum Truck Driver
Midkiff Transports, Inc. **Class A CDL Req.**
6601 FM 715, Midland **Apply In Person**
Seeking Vacuum Driver. Must have good driving record and be able to pass drug test. Experienced applicants only. Competitive wages, paid health insurance/dependant, uniforms & retirement benefits. Call 432-682-2405 or apply in person.

Special Occasion!
Call Classified
682-6222

Pickup Trucks

FORD 1981 F150, $1600. can be seen at 1119 Andrews Hwy in Midland. Call 432-553-1048

FORD 2001 WHITE F-250 7.3L Powerstroke Regular cab for sale for $6500. Truck has 256k miles but injectors have been replaced 3-4k miles ago. Is in overall great condition. Call or text (432)559-4845

FORD 2002 F250 Crew cab, XLT, 4x4, 7.3 Powerstroke Diesel, good condition, $9,975. 432-557-2130

FORD 2004 F-150 Supercrew Lariat 2WD for sale. New engine 149,900 miles, fully loaded, overall in great condition. Title is clear and in hand, asking $11,000. OBO. 432-312-2883

FORD 2010 F250 Lariat FX4, deisel Black with black leather 71K miles. $36,500 Call 432-413-5040

FORD 2011 F550 4x4 crew cab, diesel, 25k miles, $44,600. Call 432-631-9868

GMC 2011 Sierra 1500 Denali. 26,000 miles. Excellent condition. Fully loaded with navigation, sunroof, rear entertainment and more. Black with bed cover and running boards $38,900. Call 432-556-4486

NISSAN 2004 Titan Crew Cab. 2 wheel drive, leather, power everything. Bed liner, toolbox. 103K miles. Asking $9750 OBO Call 432-967-4212

Vans & Minivans

2011 CHEVY 3/4 ton cargo van w/ shelving, 114k mi. Excellent condition, $13,500. Call 432-559-9465

CHRYSLER 2005 T&C LX mini van, excellent condition. Michelin tires. $4000 OBO Call 432-349-3477

TOYOTA 1998 Sienna Van, rebuilt transmission, ac/heater work, lots of new parts, $4,300 432-349-0041

4WD & SUV

2010 FORD Expedition EL Limited. 13,100 miles, like new, Navigation, sunroof, rear entertainment, fully loaded. $35,900. Call 432-556-3992

CHEVY 2003 TAHOE garaged and well maintained. New tires with less than 1000 miles on them. Original owner. Has 111,000 miles on it. $7500 obo 432-352-3766 or 432-694-8831

CHEVY 2005 Tahoe $10,000. Marroon. 95K miles, great shape! Call Brett 432-528-7134

CHEVY 2005 Tahoe. White, in good condition. Asking $4500 OBO. 432-262-3245

JEEP 2006 Black Wrangler X 2 door, 26,700 K, $17,500, garage kept, great condition. Call 432-556-7724

Commercial Vehicles

Tractors & Trailers

HOT OILER unit for sale, 2013 Peterbilt. 620-482-2530

RVs

► NEW TODAY! ◄

2004 39.5' Open Road, 5th wheel. 4 Slideouts (3 oversized) spacious front living room with sleeper sofa. Entertainment center new TV. Rear bedroom, new pillow top mattress. 50 amp. Double air conditioners. Brand new tires. Goose-neck adapter. Washer/dryer hook-ups. Non-smoker. Excellent condition. REDUCED $16,200. 432-520-8222.

2007 CEDAR Creek M-34STATS $32,000 Gas generator 5KW. Auto satelite seek. 32" LCD TV and 20" TV in bedroom. Surround sound with DVD Player. Electric Jacks, 3 slide outs with awnings. Shower enclosure glass, skylight, Water purifier, Central vacuum Cleaner. Fully furnished. Call Scott 432-238-8007

38' PREMIER by Hyline 2011 5th Wheel. 3 slide outs, washer/ dryer, microwave, and many extras. $25,000 obo 817-694-8268

RVs

BIG HORN 2013 Silveradp, 37QB. 4 slide outs, 2 bath 8th wheel bunk house. Fully loaded. All the bells and whistles. Out door kitchen, 3 TVs and fireplace, just to name a few. Lightly lived in by owner. $39,500. Call anytime. Located in Midland 720-544-1827

KEYSTONE 2007 Montana Montaineer 35ft. 3 slides, awning, powered jacks, outdoor shower/cooking valve. Excellent coridition! $22,500. OBO432-653-7824.

MONTE CARLO 2012 42', 4 slides, 2 bedrooms, washer/dryer, 3 A/C's, sleeps 10, excellent condition! Murt sell! $36,500 OBO. 817-798-9024

MONTE CARLO 2012 5th wheel, 40ft, self contained, 3 slides, 2 A/Cs, 2 bdrm, king size/0bunks, leather furniture, dishwasher, DVD/stereo system, fireplace, washer/ dryer, loaded with all options. Must sell, will deliver, $33,000. Call 512-605-7824

MONTE CARLO 2012 bumper pull 42ft self contained travel trailer, 3 slides, 2 bdrms, king & bunk beds, washer/dryer, lots of options, like NEW. $28,900. Call 817-372-5331

STARCRAFT 31' Bumper pull, fiberglass, leather, granite, arctic package. Beautiful trailer, original owners. Call 432-682-0448 any time or 432-687-2621 after 5:30pm

RVs

USED RV'S for sale starting as low $4000 and more + delivery fee. Only a small variety left. Call 281-370-0060. Can be delivered or picked up.

Recreational Vehicles

2006 KENNER 21' Bay boat, tandem trailer, 150 Mercury. Optimax, GPS, trolling motor.. Excellent condition. $13,500. 432-557-2130

2012 Heartland 31' trailer with 1 slide, A/C, awning, full bath, sleeps 6. Used 1 time. Call 432-528-7571

2013 JAYCO Eagle, 4 slide outs, entertainment center, fireplace, ceiling fans, electric jacks, electric awning. Sleeps 6, large hot water heater, large shower, large lower compartment. Excellent condition. $45,500 OBO. Must sell all reasonable offers considered. 307-221-2422

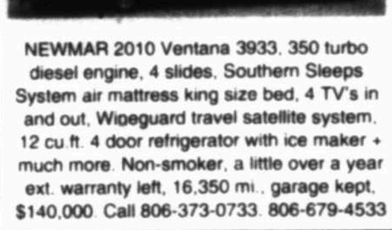
2014, ROYAL Traveler, 38 ft. washer / dryer, fireplace, deluxe interior. 956-329-3560.

MUST SEE garaged kept boat. 2002 Larson 180 SEI, new graphics. $10,500. 432-349-0041

Auto Services and Parts

BUYING/Hauling Off Junk Or Unwanted Vehicles. Dependable Junk Removal. 432-352-5031

Recreational Vehicles



NEWMAR 2010 Ventana 3933. 350 turbo diesel engine, 4 slides. Southern Sleeps System air mattress king size bed, 4 TV's in and out. Wipeguard travel satellite system. 12 cu.ft. 4 door refrigerator with ice maker + much more. Non-smoker, a little over a year ext. warranty left, 16,350 mi., garage kept, $140,000. Call 806-373-0733. 806-679-4533

Real Estate Rentals & Sales

Residential Rentals

Apartments for Rent Unfurnished

2 BR apt for rent $875 a month and $875 deposit extra storage available. 432-254-5159

★ GARDEN ★COURT APARTMENTS

Spacious 2 Bdrms w/ patios
★ Ceramic Tile
★ W/D Connections
★ Fireplaces
2301 N. Pecos
★
432-614-1710
Must Have Good Credit!

► NEW TODAY! ◄

LOVELY SAGEWOOD 2 br./2 bth, granite, throught out, fireplace, washer/ dryer. $1,650 monthly. Call 432-634-7807

NEW MANAGEMENT Spacious 2 & 3 Bedroom Apartments. Call 432-687-4514.

Townhouse/ Condo for Rent Unfurnished

1 BEDROOM/1 Bath Apartment, all bills plus cable paid. $1,200 month. Call 432-894-3460

2 Bedroom, 1 bath, New Carpet, W/D, $1000 month $500 deposit. Non smoking, no pets. 3211 Storey Ave Call 432-522-2659

SPACIOUS REMODELED 1600 +/- sf., 2/2 w/garage & fenced patio. 432-631-8100 or 432-266-1212

Houses for Rent Furnished

FOR LEASE: Will consider owner finance. 3 bedroom,1 bath. 1 car garage. Being remodeled. 432-254-3818

Houses for Rent Furnished

NICE NEW totally furnished 1 bedroom, 1 bath, washer, dryer, cable, ice, RO water, $1750/mo. $1,000 deposit. 432-631-8100

Houses for Rent Unfurnished

3 BEDROOM, 2 bath home. 608 W. Cuthbert. Available ASAP. Credit and background check required. $1,500 a month. $1500/dep. Call 210-218-1681.

CLEAN 3BD/2BA/1 car garage, extra large living room, Central AC & heat. Available March 1. 4702 RIC Dr. $1400/month, $1000 deposit. Credit & Reference check required. Call br text 432-638-6053

DUPLEX FOR LEASE. 3003 A & B Mark Lane. 2br/2ba, 2 car garage, 1250 sq. ft, fireplace, no pets. $1425/month, $1000 deposit. 432-557-5557.

TOWNHOUSE - Nice, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, water paid, 2 car garage. No pets /smoking. $2,500/month, $2,000 deposit. 2202 Neely. 432-682-0602.

Residential Sales

Condos/ Townhouses

2100 Wadley very nice approx 1539 sqft condo with 2 bedroom 2 1/2 baths large living and dining area with 2 patios, covered parking for 2 autos. $155,000. 432-528-1839

GREENWOOD SCHOOL District 1.25 acres. 36x72 2 story building, 2 1/2 baths with 1,400 sq. ft. shop great possibilities. $225,000 Contact 231-526-6369

TOWNHOME FOR SALE BY OWNER, 2 Bd, 2 Ba, 2 Living Areas, 2 fireplaces, 2 Car Garage, ALL kitchen appliances, Washer/Dryer, Fenced yard, NEW carpet, and paint, central air, electric/gas. CALL 432.230.0197.

Homes For Sale

1000 W. Louisana 3/2 with detached guest quarters, hardwood floors 2,100 sq ft +. $199,000. 432-631-8100 432-266-1212

2193 ECR 2200, Midland. 2 1/2 acres with house, storage and Mobile home. $140,000. 620-482-2530 or 432-634-8526

2201 W. Golf Course, Midland. 6400sqft under roof., 2,871 sqft. actual livable. Indoor pool, 4 car garage, $239k. Check zillow.com 432-530-8844.

3608 SINCLAIR, 4bedroom 3 bath 2900 + sq. ft. 631-8100 or 266-1212

3911 ANETTA, 3 BD, 1 BA, 2 Living, CH&A, $119,000, Low Down Payment. First Time Homebuyers Assistance. American Realty 520-7577.

4400 BROOKDALE, 3/2 fenced, $139,500. 631-8100/ 266-1212

4 BED / 2 bath home for sale. 618 DiMaggio Ct, new area behind Grande stadium. 2163 sq feet for $265k. Beautiful home with crown molding, granite, big rooms and more. Brick store room in backyard. Call to see: 432-553-3577

504 W. Eugene BEST OFFER Call for info 432-683-2243

5605 CROWLEY Blvd. Grassland Estates/ Lee HS district, 4BR, 3BA, 2640sqft, remodelled kitchen, tile & hardwood floors, granite countertops in baths, study, 2 car garage, detached storage building. Single owner. $330,000. 432-699-5110. If no answer, leave message and will return call.

9400 Star Lane: 4/2, Manufactured home on 1.242 ac. endless possibilites, well maintained. $125000 contact Stephanie 325-481-0500 office or 325-450-6146

BY OWNER 316 Rocky Lane Dr 3 Bed/2 Bath Lots of Updates. $177,900 432-425-0921

FOR SALE by owner 1000 N. A Street as is. 2,000 sq. ft. 432-270-1169

WE BUY HOMES, LAND OR BLDGS! Fair prices, quick cash! Call 266-1212, 631-8100.

Homes For Sale

FOR SALE By Owner 2815 Belz Dr. Beautiful 4 bedroom, 2 ½ bath home in established Midland neighborhood with mature trees. Updated with granite, tile, energy efficient windows, low maintenance exterior, energy efficient water heater, etc. Roof less than 10 years old. Total electric. No owner financing! Shown by appointment only to qualified buyers. Must have approval letter from mortgage company to obtain access. Realtors welcome. Approximately 2700 sq. ft. with enclosed porch. $349,900. Ready now. Will not lease purchase. 432-697-3484

FSBO COMPLETELY renovated, 3bd, 3ba, Museum District, parklike backyard, huge lot, amazing hardwood floors, granite throughout, stainless steel appliances, 2011 W. Indiana $345,000. Seller is licensed real estate agent. Call for appt. 432-210-9682

PRICE REDUCED 1704 West Missouri FSBO EXECUTIVE home 4/5/3+. Gourmet kitchen, green house/ Man cave/Mother-in-law cottage, exercise room w/ solid mirrored wall, wood floors, waterwell, 5000+ sq ft. Call 432-254-2744 for appointment.

SAN ANGELO duplex $250,000. 1760 Utah. Newer, great condition 3 bedrooms, 2 bath each side, covered carports, plus patios. Central heat & air, all appliances plus washers & dryers. Ceiling fans & mini blinds. Call Alberta 325-944-4058 or 325-340-0047

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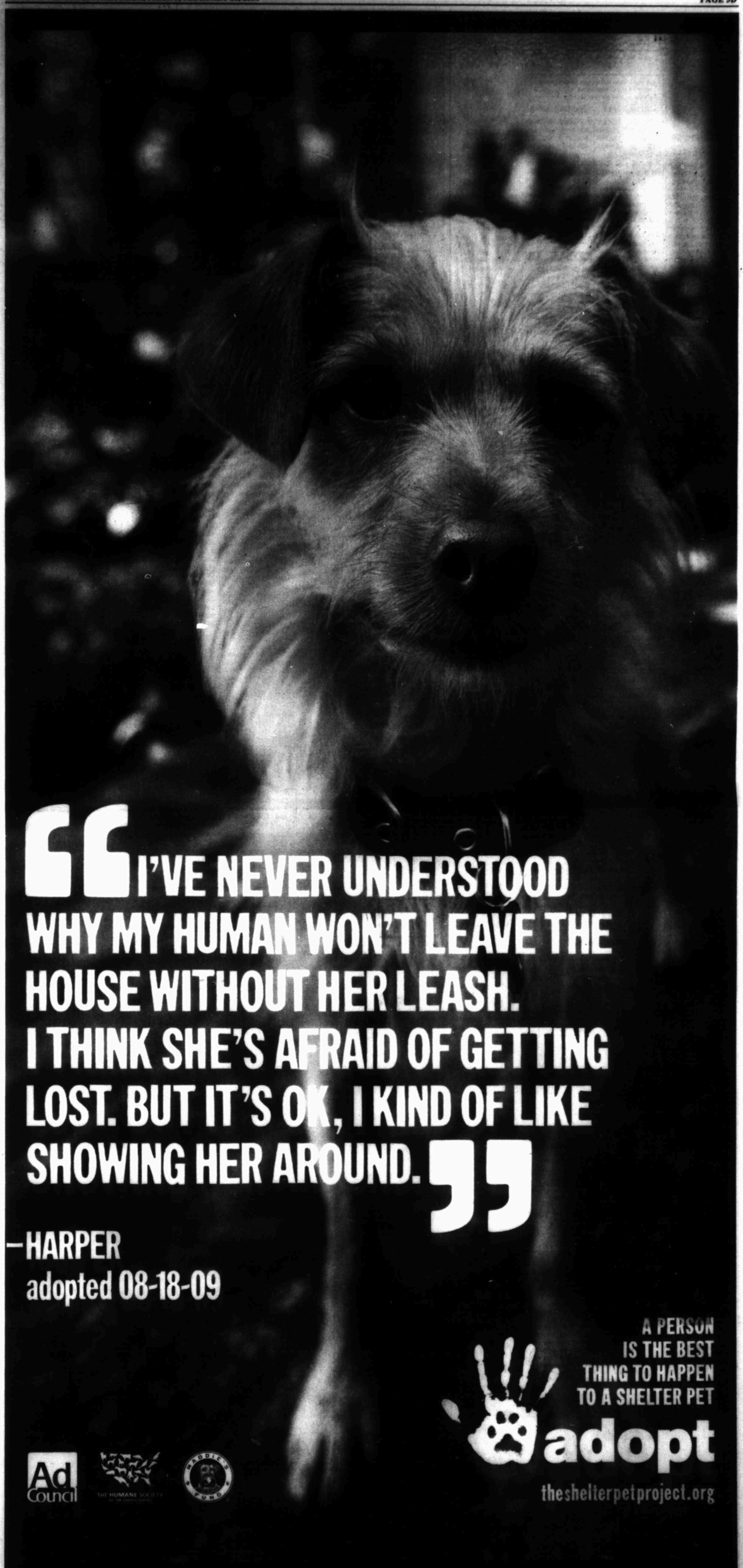
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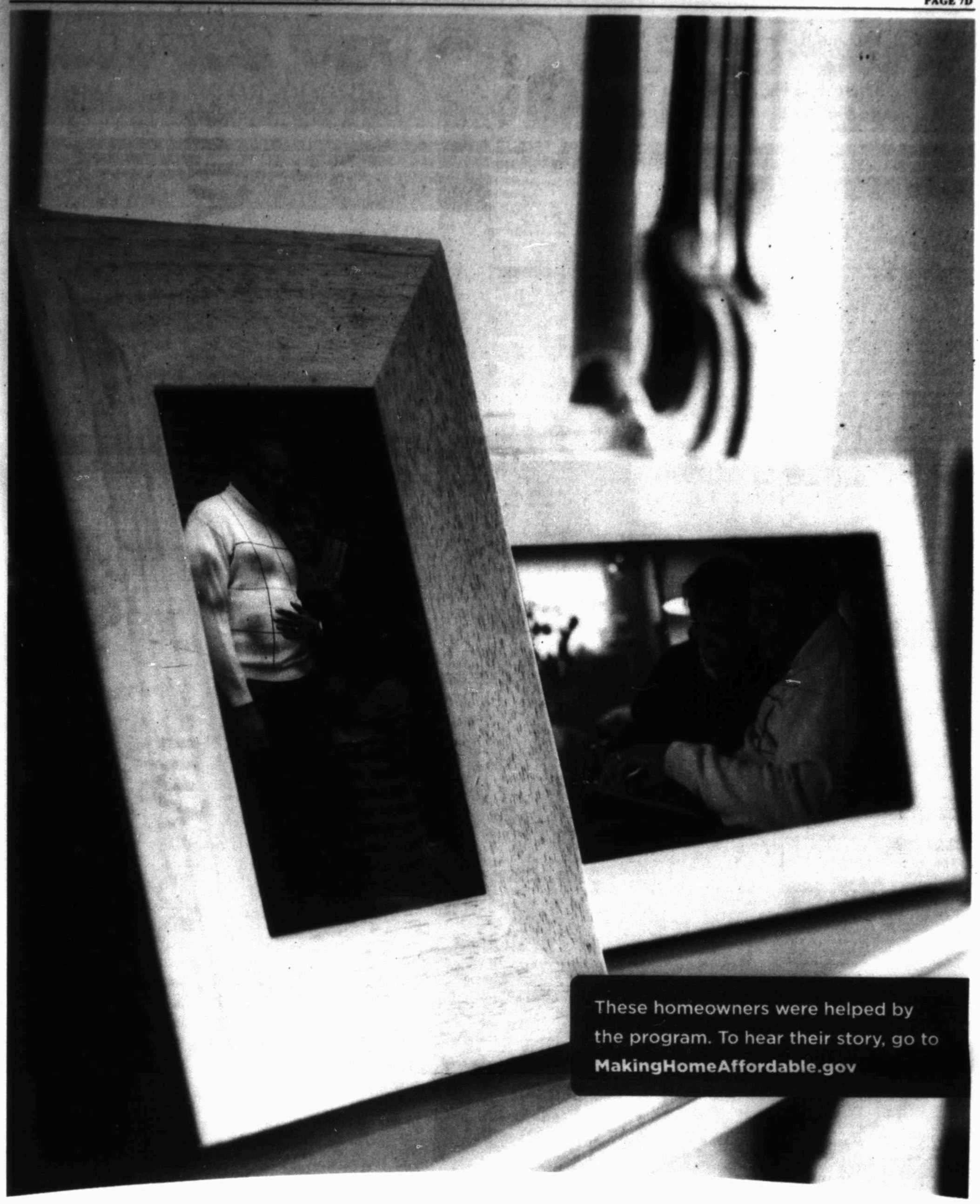

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